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## "Big Leaf" v.s. "Big Tree":

# Noah-MP land surface model with plant hydraulics scheme (Noah-MP-PHS) Evaluation

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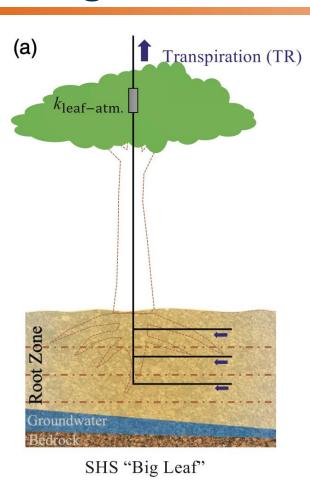


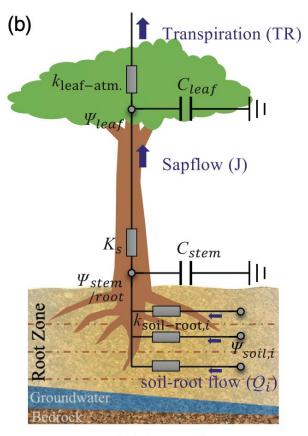
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Soil moisture

→
Carbon and water simulations

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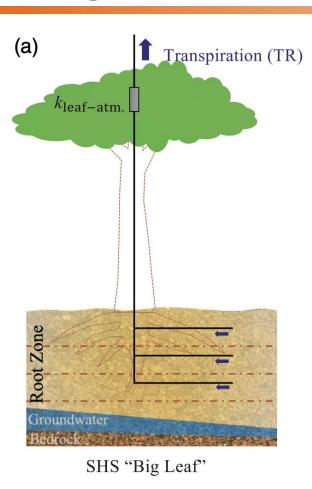
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Carbon and water simulations

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Uncertainties

Most land surface models, e.g., Noah-MP



(b) Transpiration (TR)  $k_{\text{leaf-atm.}}$  $C_{leaf}$ Sapflow (J)  $C_{stem}$  $\Psi_{stem}$ soil-root flow (Oi)

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#### Noah-MP-PHS

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#### From Problem to Collaborators





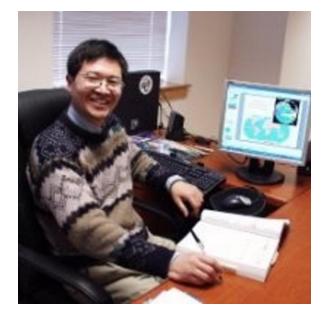
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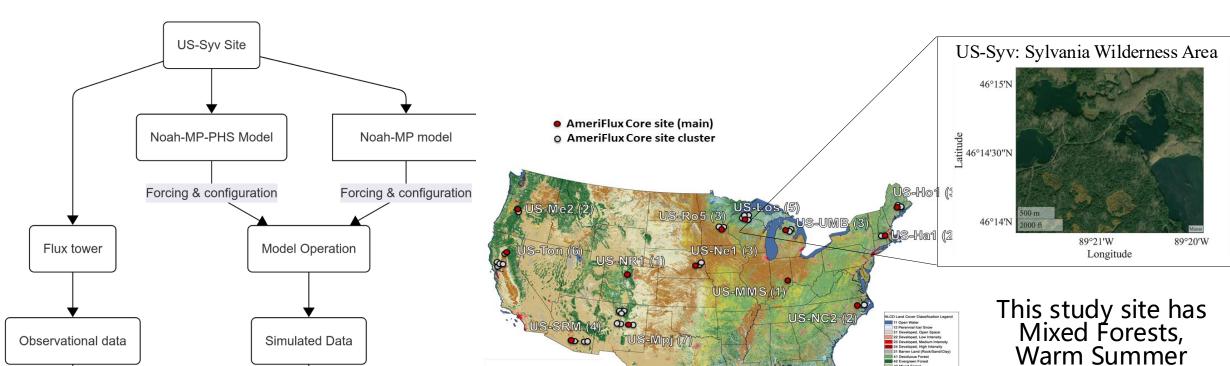
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### A specific problem: Noah-MP vs Noah-MP-PHS





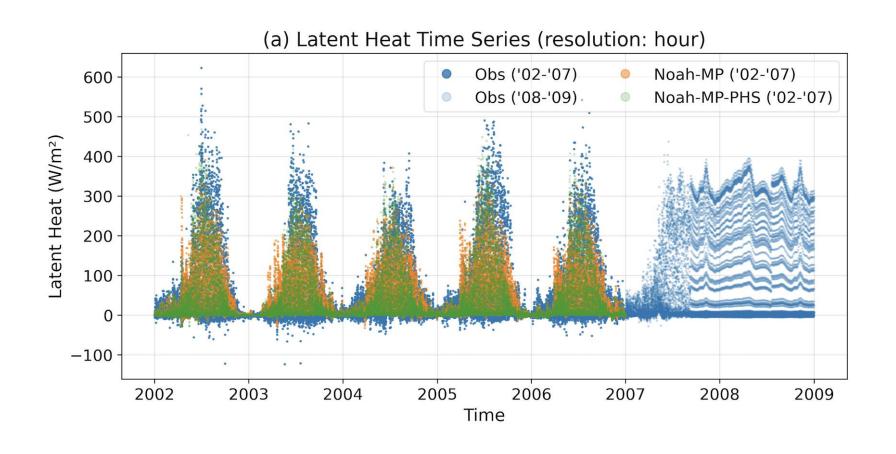
This study site has
Mixed Forests,
Warm Summer
Continental climate:
significant
precipitation in all
seasons, a good
testbed for model
evaluation.

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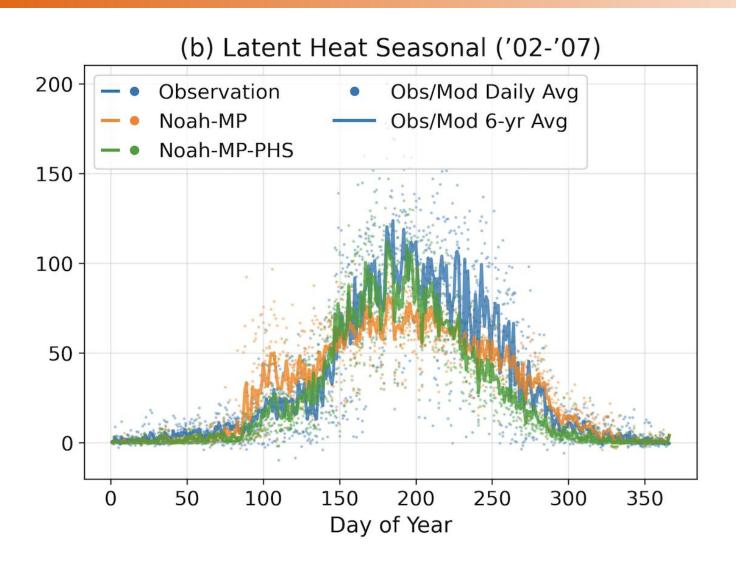
Comparison

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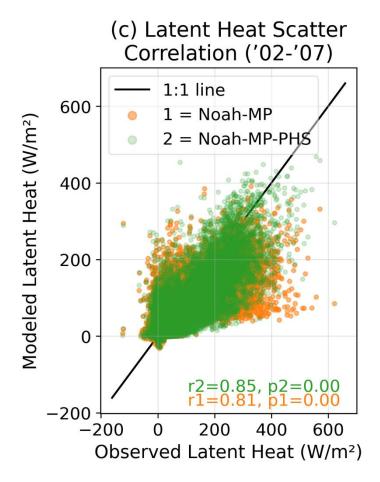


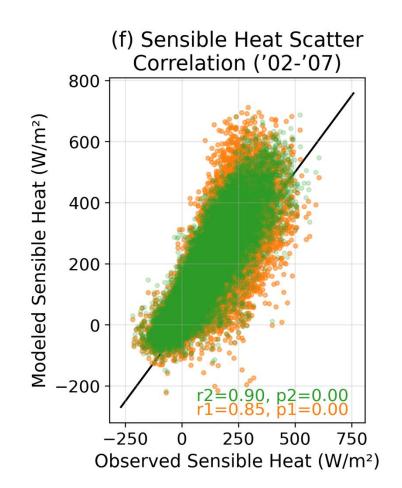


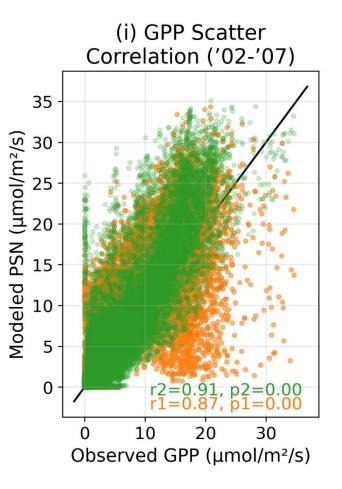










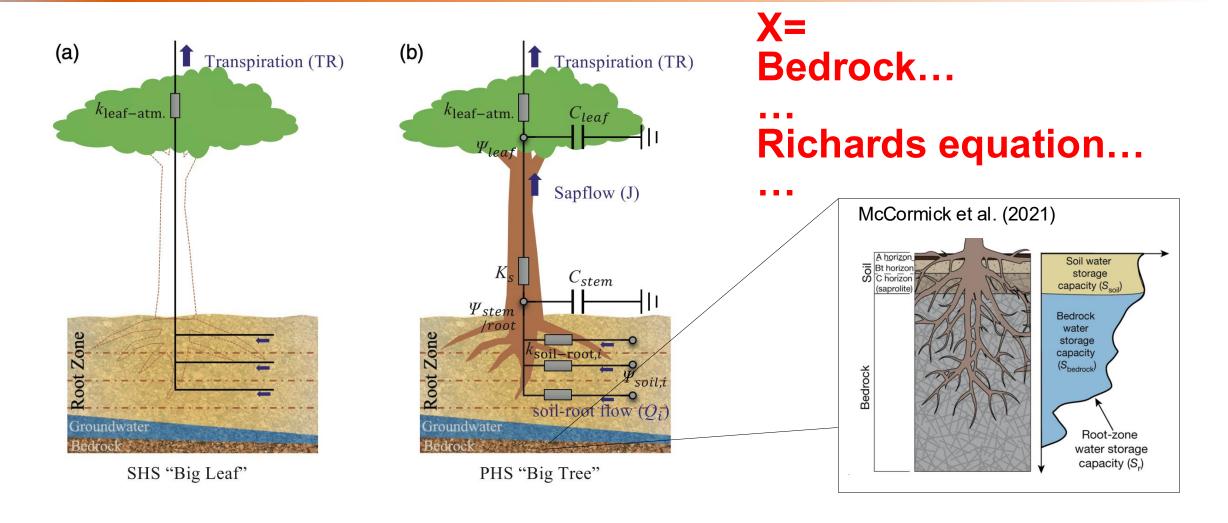




The Noah-MP-PHS land surface model robustly simulates water—carbon coupling at the US-Syv (Sylvania Wilderness Area) site during 2002–2007. The simulation results exhibit strong agreement with observational data, showing correlation coefficients for latent heat flux, sensible heat flux, and carbon flux as measured by Gross Primary Production (GPP).

#### **Future: Noah-MP-PHS+X**





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# Thank you! Any questions?

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