



# **Semi-arid Region Study**

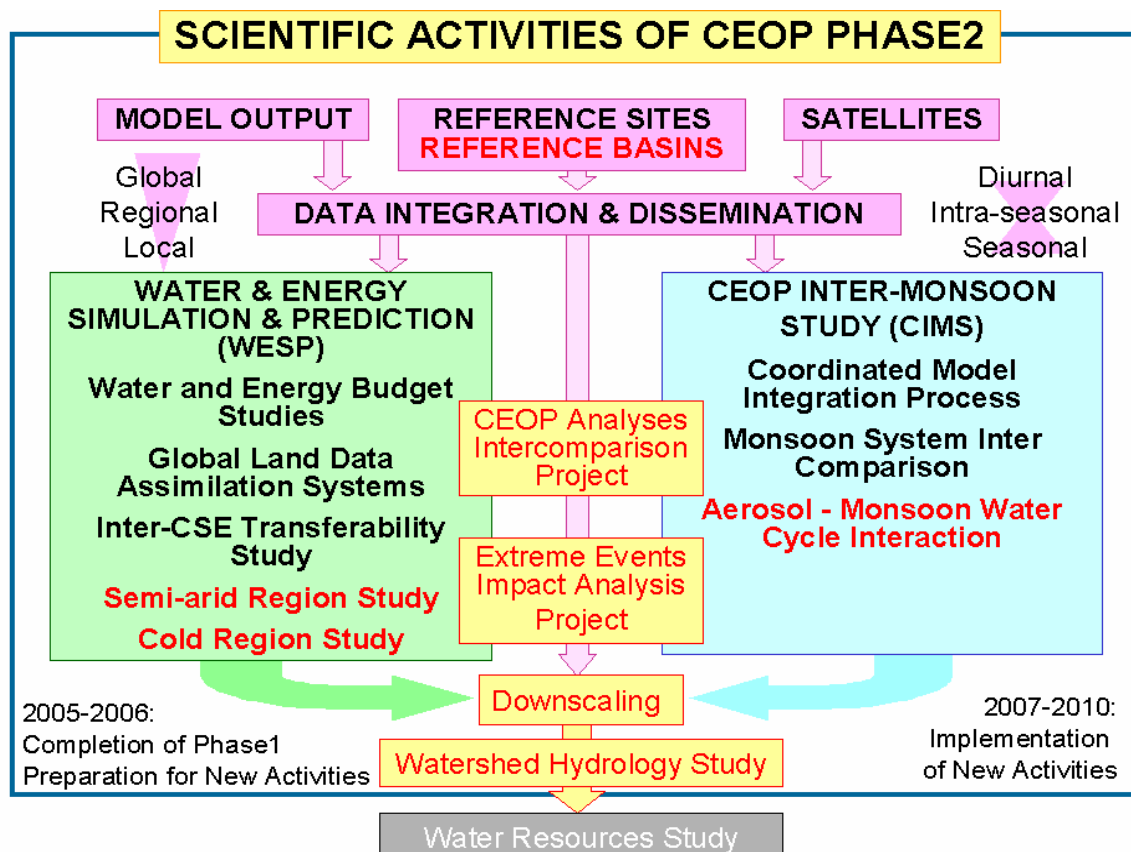
**in new CEOP**

## **Planning of semi-arid region study in new CEOP**

- **Time line of initiation of CEOP semi-arid study;**
- **Composition of working group;**
- **Overall Objectives**
- **Scientific agenda**
- **Milestones to be achieved in following 2-3 years**
- **Proposed implementation steps**
- **Connections/joint activities with other projects in core activities of WCRP or ESSP**

# Time line

- An initial proposal on CEOP semi-arid study in CEOP Tokyo meeting in early 2005;
- Discussion and acceptance as a new element of CEOP phase II in 5<sup>th</sup> International implementation meeting for CEOP in Paris in early 2006



# Proposed membership of working group of CEOP semi-arid study

- Congbin **FU**, Institute of Atmospheric Physics, CAS/China (Chair)
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- Dave **Billesbach**, University of Nebraska, USA
- David R. **Cook**, Argonne National Laboratory, USA
- Azzaya **Dologorsuren**, Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology, Mongolia
- Jianping **Huang**, Lanzhou University, China
- Pavel **Kabat**, Wageningen University, Netherlands
- Joon **Kim**, Yonsei University, Korea,
- Toshio **Koike**, University of Tokyo, Japan
- Huizhi **Liu**, LAPC, CAS/China
- Tilden **Meyers**, NOAA/ARL, USA
- Russell **Scott**, USDA-ARS Southwest Watershed Research Center
- Jie **Song**, Northern Illinois University, USA
- Additional members from Africa, South America, Australia etc. TBD

## Funding

- **973 National project on Aridity trend of Northern China and human Adaptation from MOST;**
- **International cooperation Project on Asia and North American semi-arid region inter-comparison study from National Science Foundation of China;**
- **Aridity trend study for Northwest China from Chinese Academy of Sciences;**
- **NSF of USA;**
- **APN and START support for workshops;**

## **Proposed overall objectives of CEOP Semi-arid Region Study**

**Contributions to understanding the water and energy cycles of semi-arid regions and their role in climate system**

**by globally integrated analysis of CEOP reference sites data, satellite observations and the model outputs**

**Assist in better prediction of climate and water resources and their management in semi-arid regions where the shortage of water supply is crucial**

## **Research Agenda**

- **Atmospheric boundary layer physics and dynamics of semi-arid regions;**
- **Water and energy cycle of air-soil-vegetation system in semi-arid regions;**
- **Improvement of parameterization of land surface process for semi-arid region to be coupled in climate models;**
- **Impacts of dust aerosols on hydrological cycle and climate at regional and global scales.**

## **Working Plan for new CEOP**

### **2007-2009:**

- 1. Evaluation of data from reference sites and comparisons among different sites of semi-arid regions and among different ecosystems;**
- 2. Validation of land surface models by using CEOP reference sites data;**
- 3. Analysis of satellite data in related to activities 1 and 2;**
- 4. Apply current existed RCMs for semi-arid region simulation and identify the problems.**

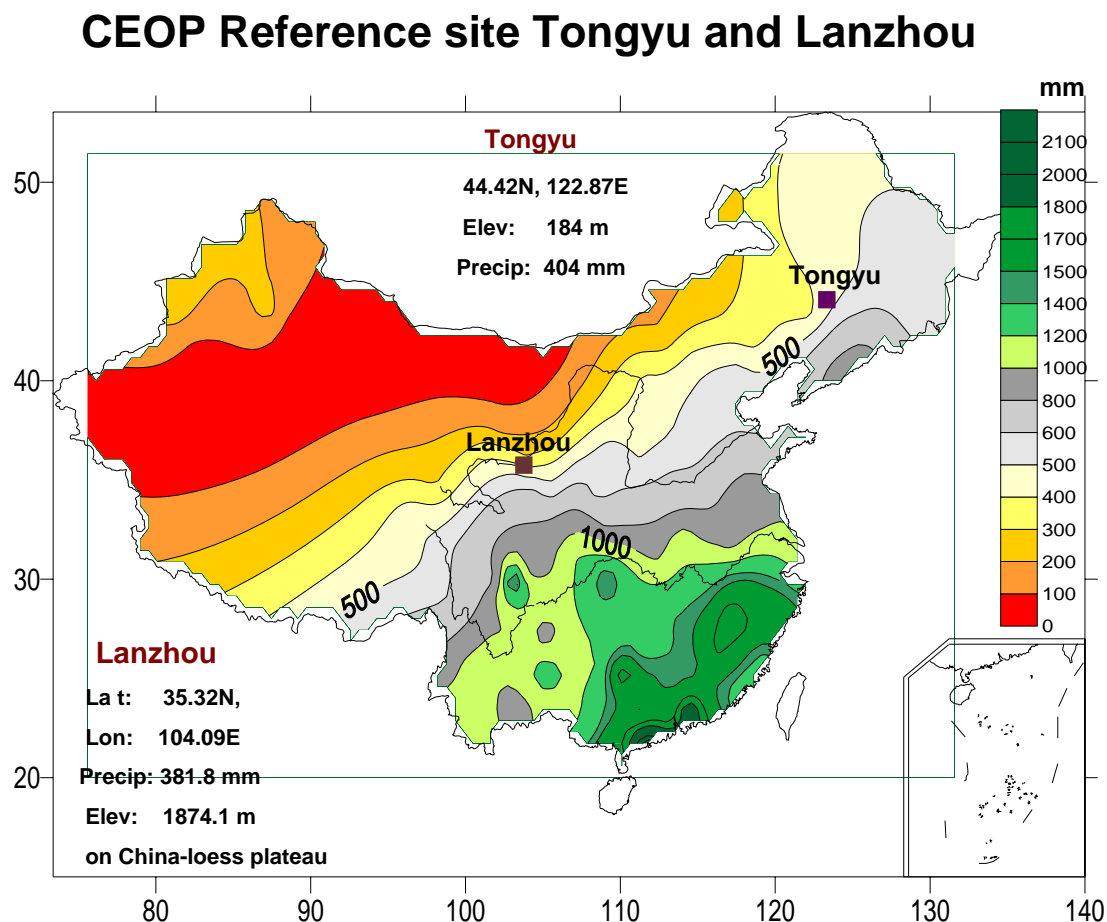
## **Working Plan for new CEOP**

### **2010-2012**

- Integrated analysis of phase II data of reference sites in semi-arid regions with coordinated satellite observations;**
- Development of a land surface model for semi-arid region, with particularly a new scheme of eco-hydrological process;**
- Researches of impacts of dust aerosols on radiation, cloud micro-physics and hydrological process as well as the regional climate.**

# Proposed Implement Strategies

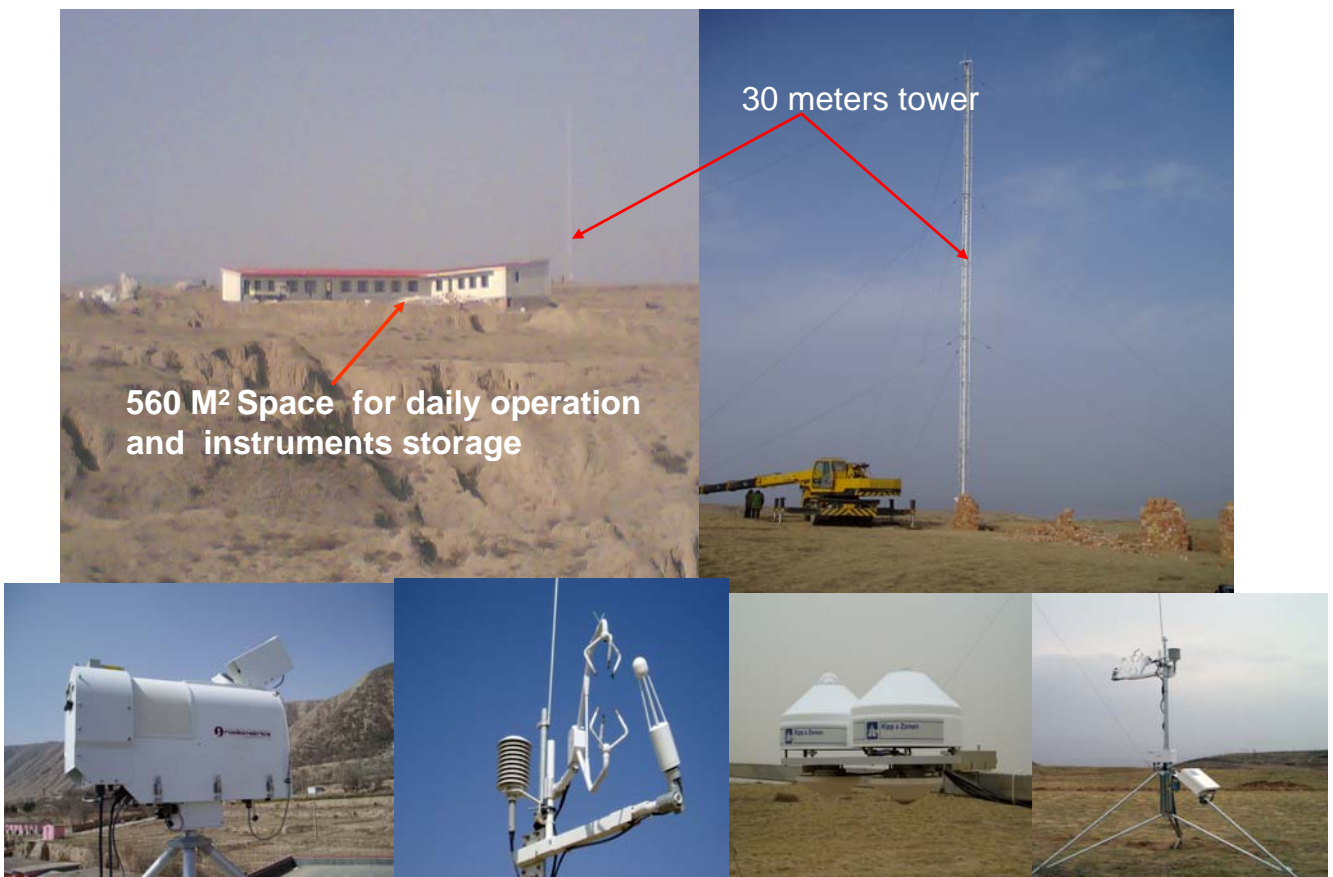
- Beginning from Semi-arid Asia, with an additional site over Loess Plateau in Northwest China;
- Initiating Asia and North America inter-comparison, based on analysis of existed reference sites of CEOP and then expand to other semi-arid region sites;
- Up scaling of site data into the region based on satellite observation;
- Improve and then development of land surface model and aerosol-chemical model specifically for semi-arid region



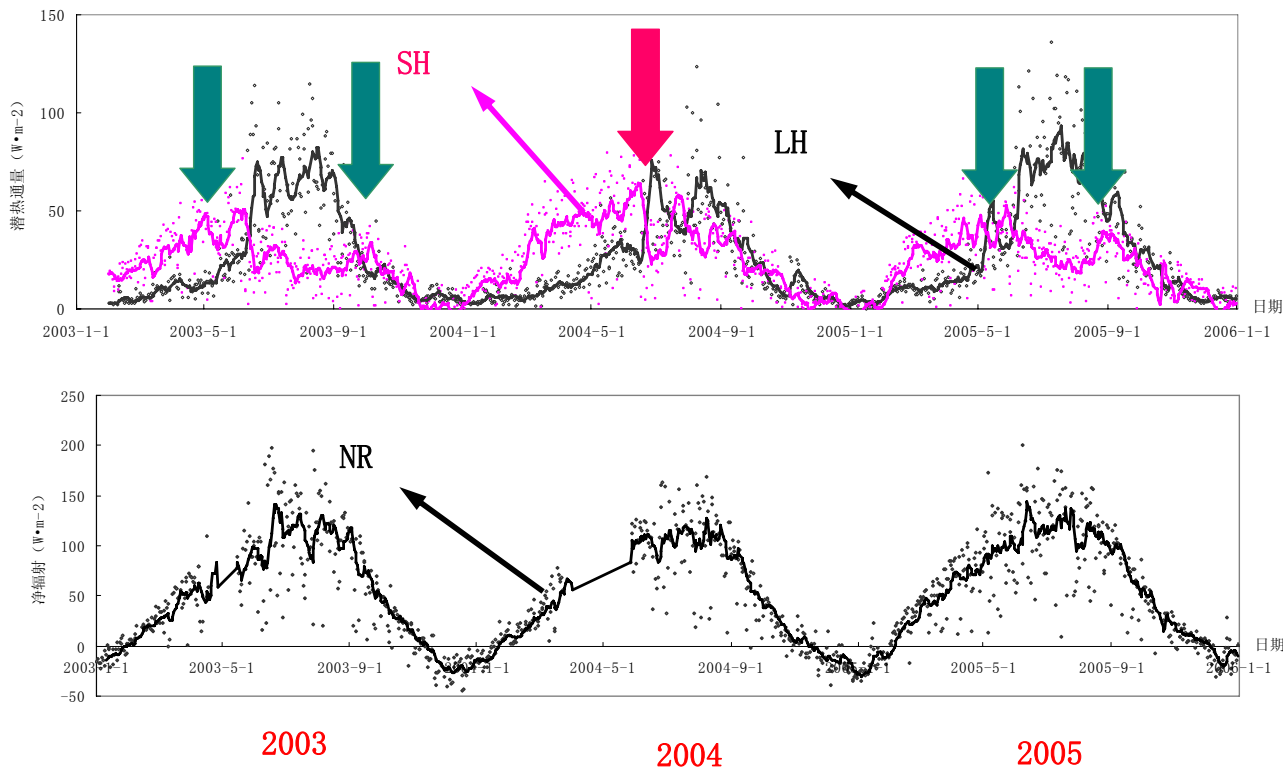
## Tongyu(semi-arid) reference site, Northeastern China



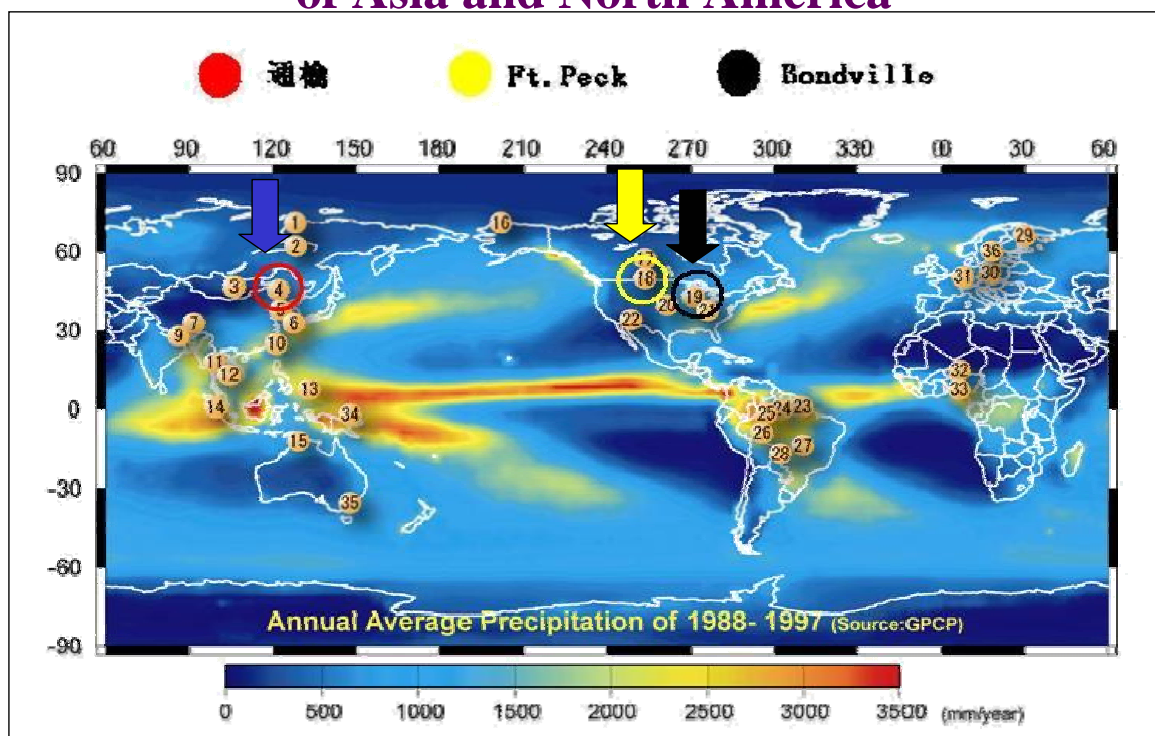
## Lanzhou over Loess Plateau



# Latent heat, sensible heat and net radiation at Tonyu station



## Comparison of three stations in Semi-arid areas of Asia and North America



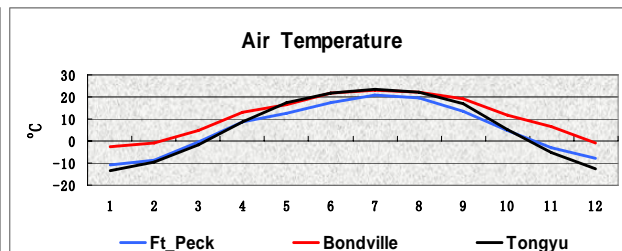
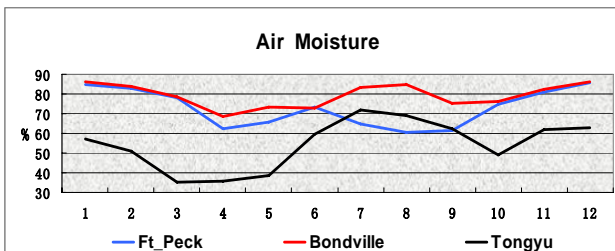
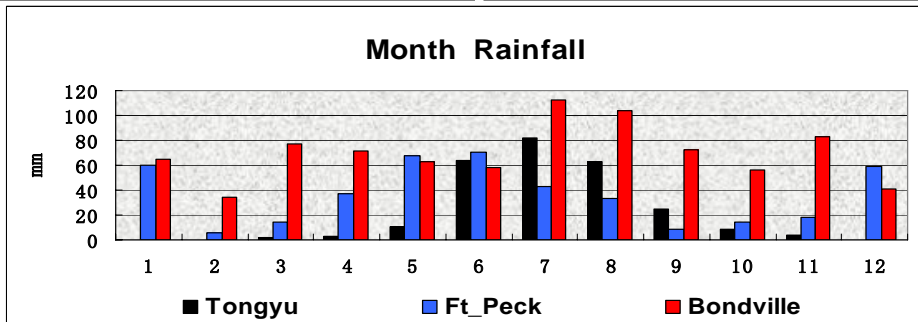
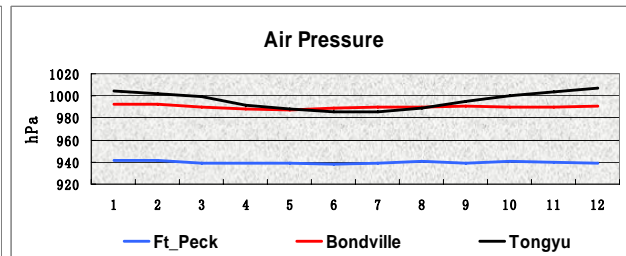
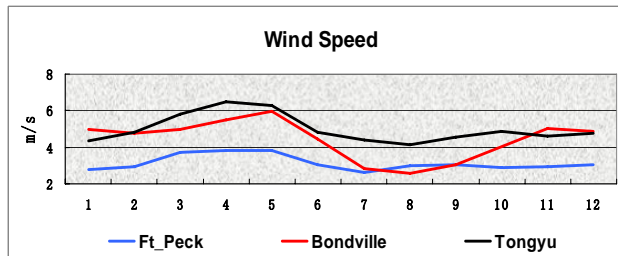


**Audubon Research Ranch**  
**Arizona**  
**Climate:** Temperate arid,  
**Precipitation:** ~ 200mm  
**Vegetation:** Desert grassland

**Fort Peck, Montana**  
**Precipitation:** ~ 400 mm  
**Vegetation:** temperate  
 grassland, LAI~2, canopy  
 height 20~40 cm

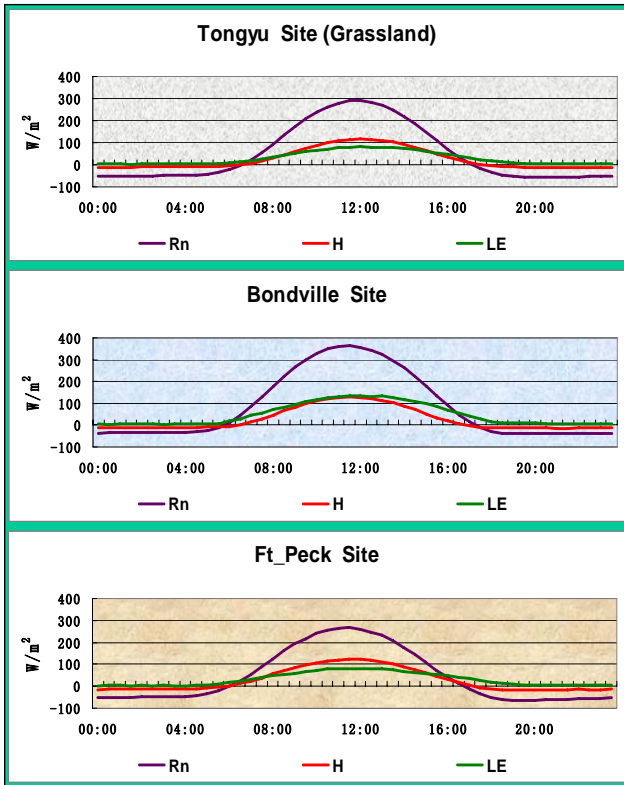


## The background of these three sites

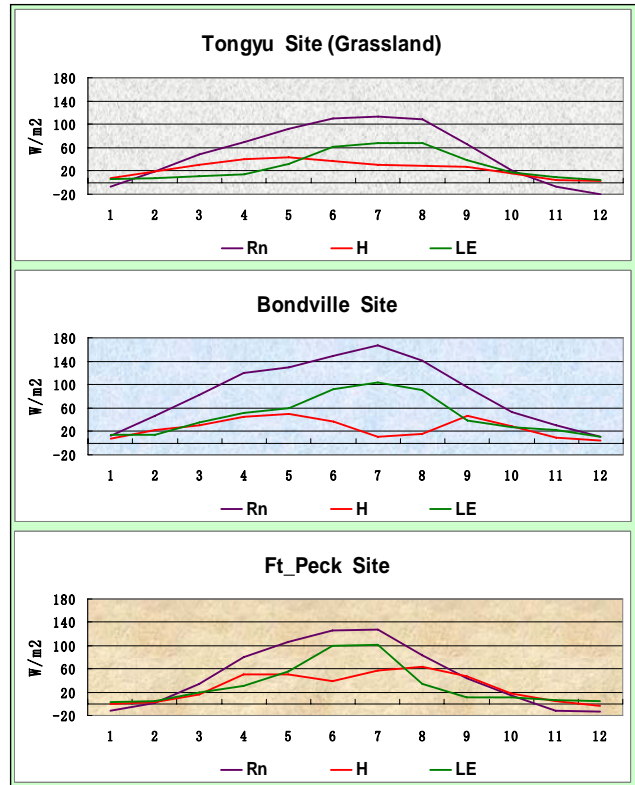


# The Energy Flux In Different Semi-arid Areas

- The diurnal variation

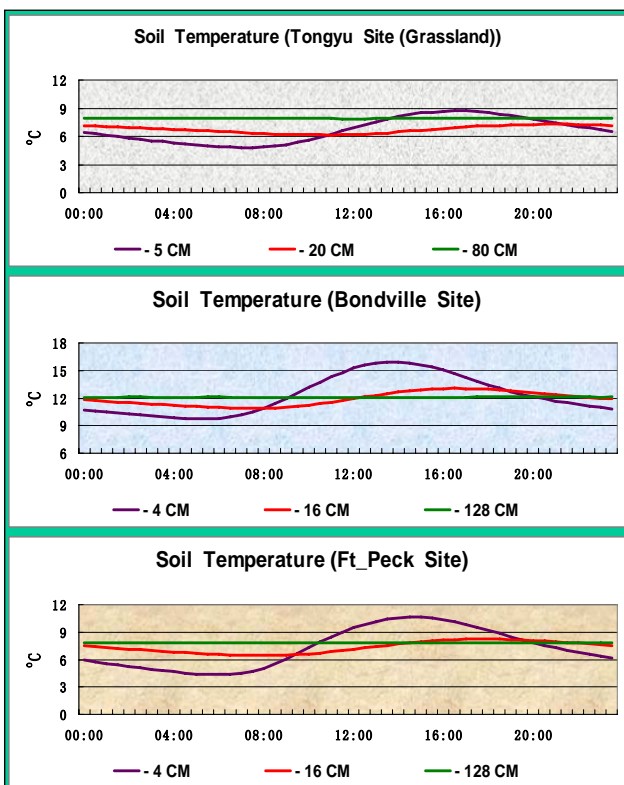


- The seasonal variation

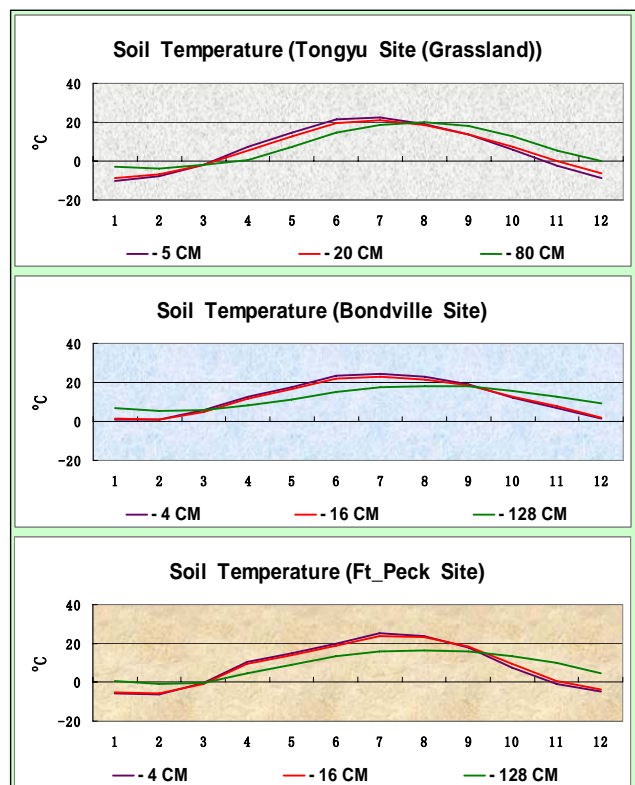


# The Soil Temperature of three stations in semi-arid areas

- The diurnal variation



- The seasonal variation



## Comparison of Semi-arid Areas In Asia And North America (Region)

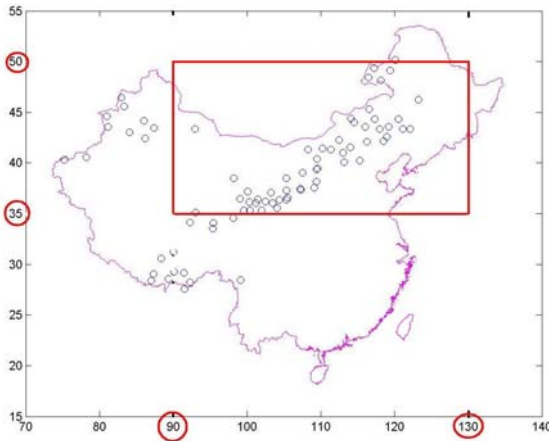
Make research regions and compare two regions.

*(the work is under way)*

### In Asia (35N-50N,90E-130E)

Base on the Data from

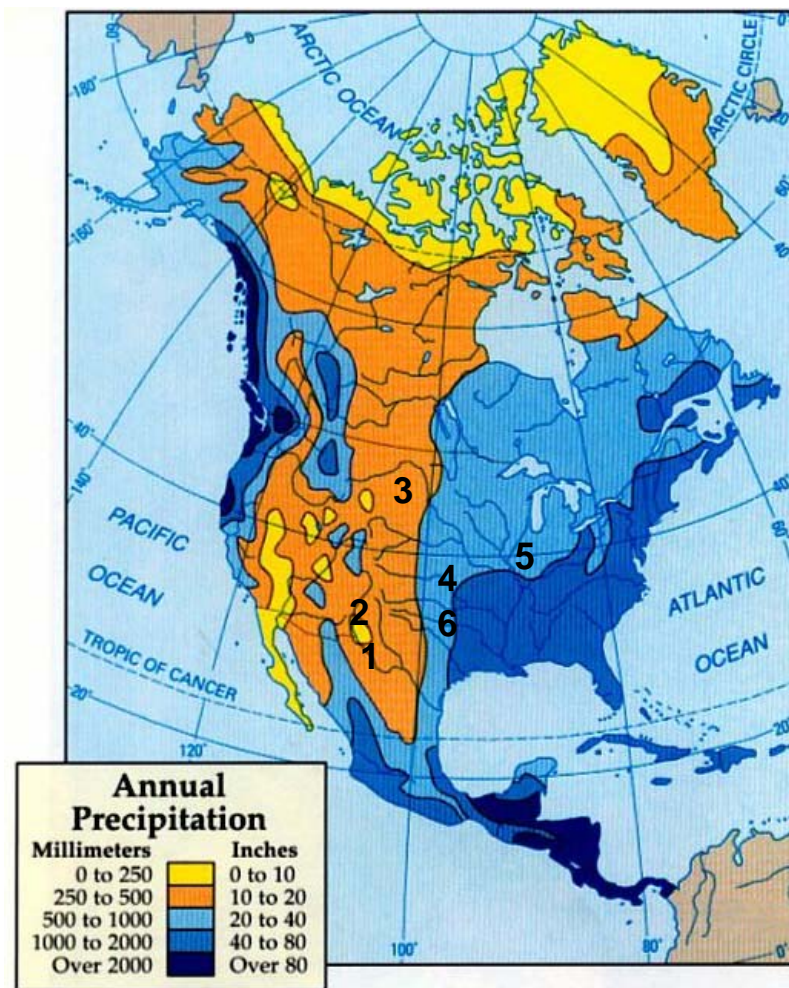
- 1: the CEOP phase 2,
- 2: the China-Flux Station
- 3: the satellite data
- 4: the Weather Station in semi-arid region



### In North America (35N-50N,)

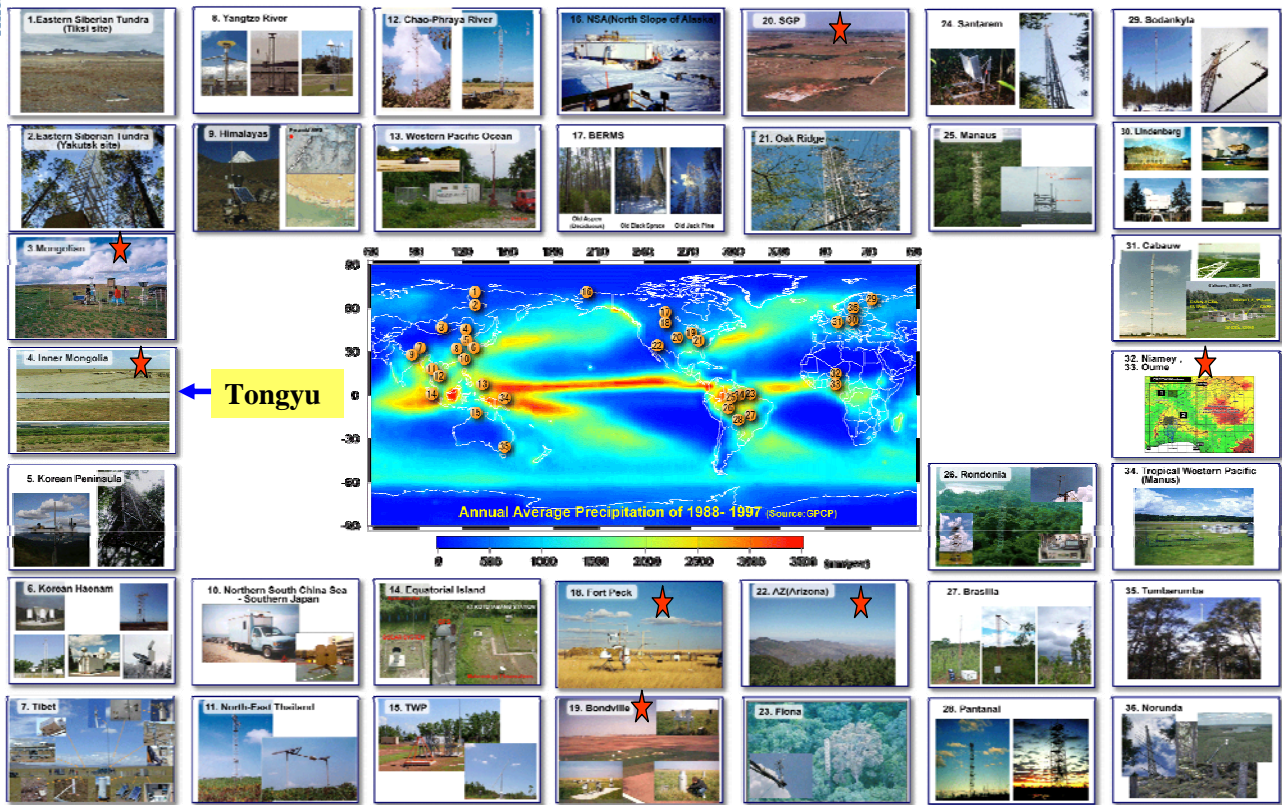
Base on the Data from

- 1: the CEOP phase 2,
- 2: the American-Flux Station
- 3: the satellite data
- 4: the Weather Station in semi-arid region

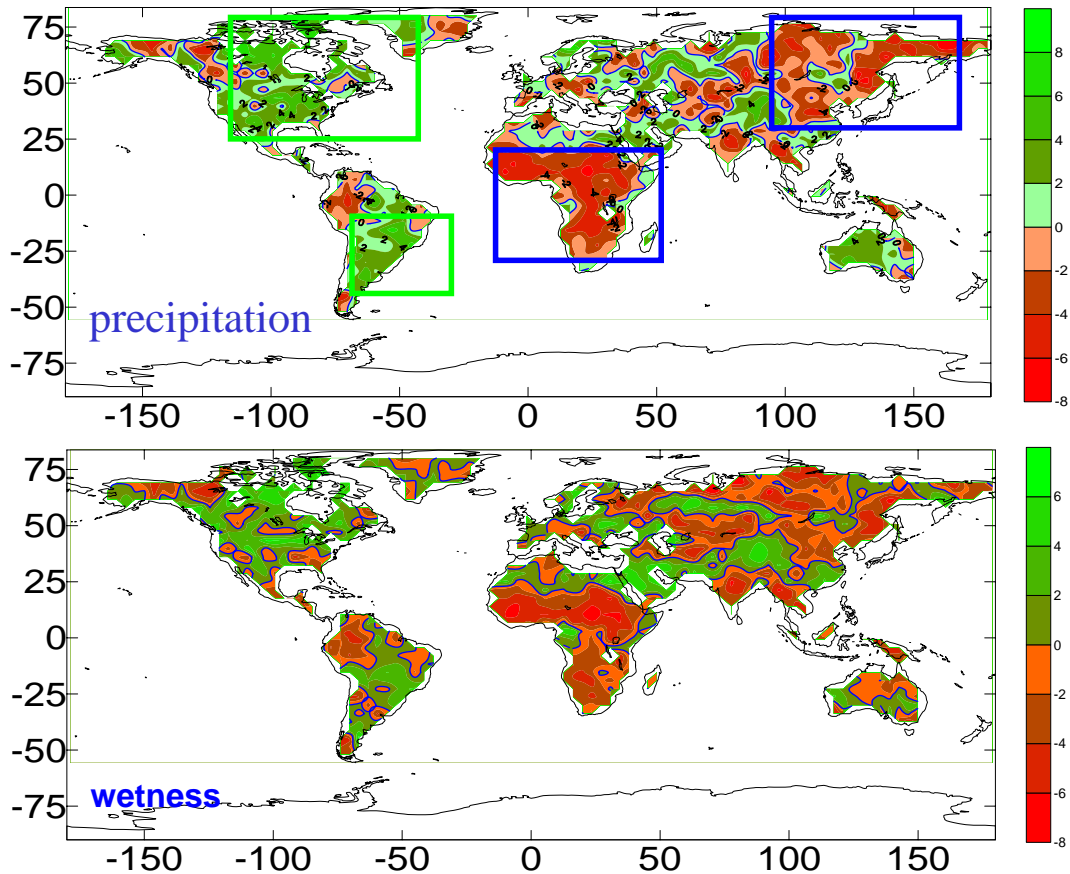


1. Audubon Research Ranch, Arizona
2. Santa Rita Mesquite, Arizona
3. Fort Peck, Montana
4. Walnut River Watershed, Kansas
5. Bondville, Illinois
6. Southern Great Plains, Oklahoma

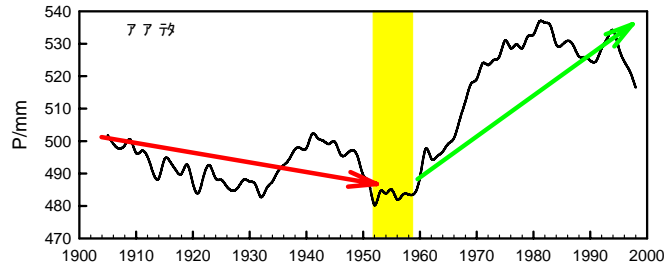
## International Cooperation for the Global Coverage



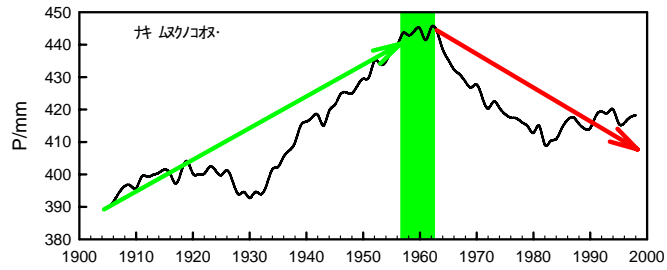
## Aridity trend in 1951–2002



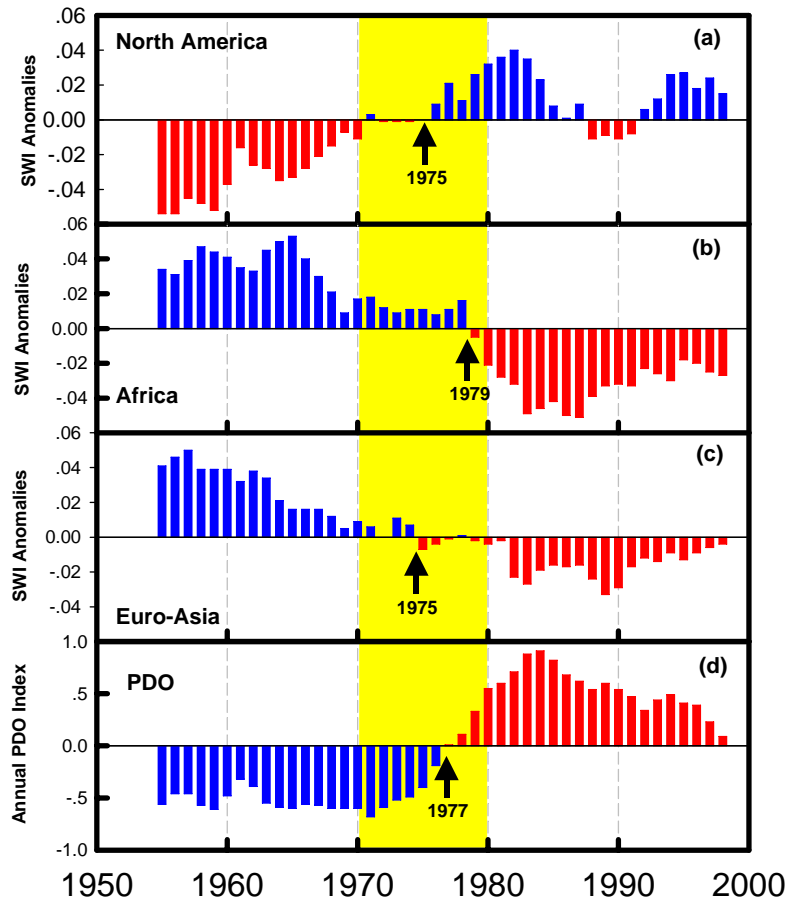
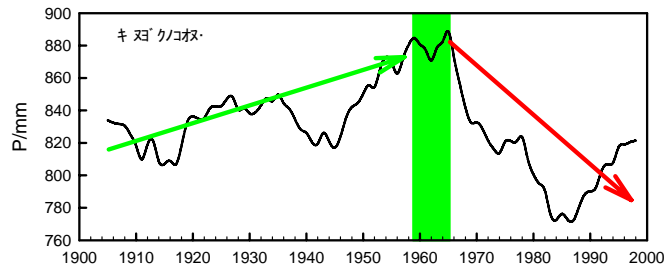
North America



Euro-Asia

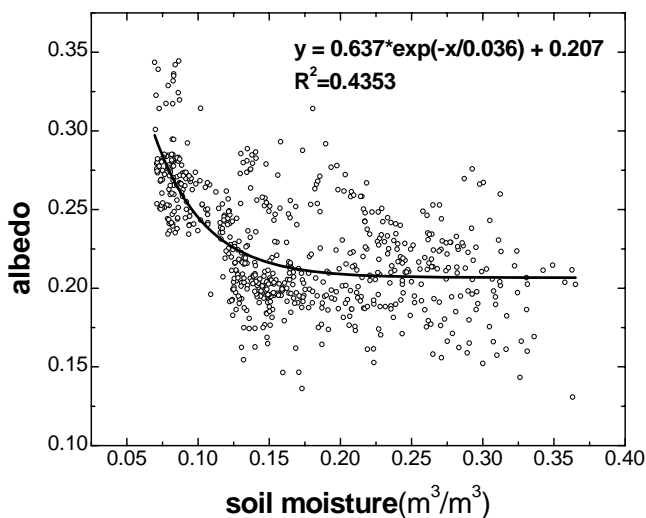


Africa

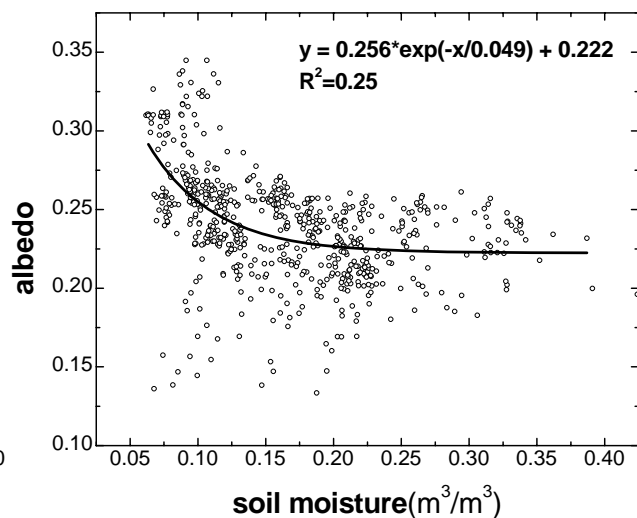


# ■ Evaluation of some key land surface parameters based on CEOP observations at Tongyu station over year 2003—2005

## Fitting of Surface Albedo to Soil Moisture

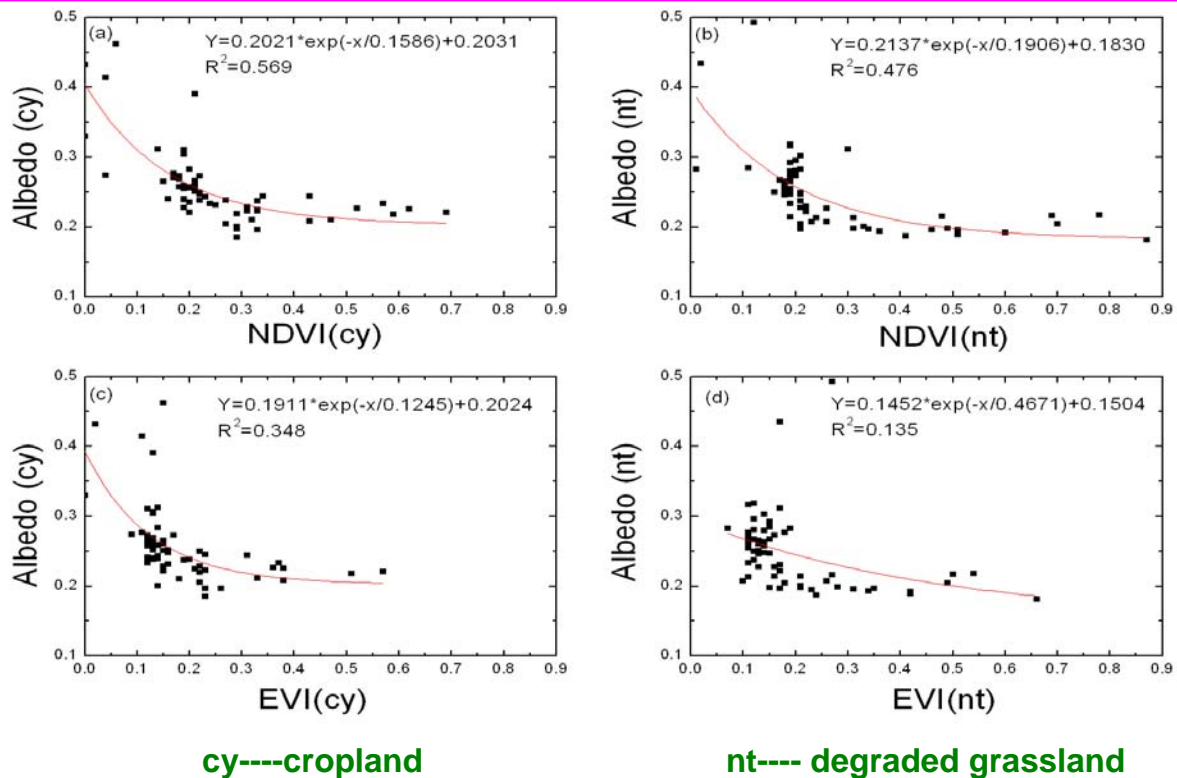


cropland



degraded-grassland

# Fitting of Surface Albedo to Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) or Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI)



## aerodynamic roughness length ( $Z_0$ m)

### Relationship of Wind Profile

neutral stratified layer:

$$\ln \frac{z-d}{z_{0m}} = \frac{\kappa u(z)}{u_*}$$

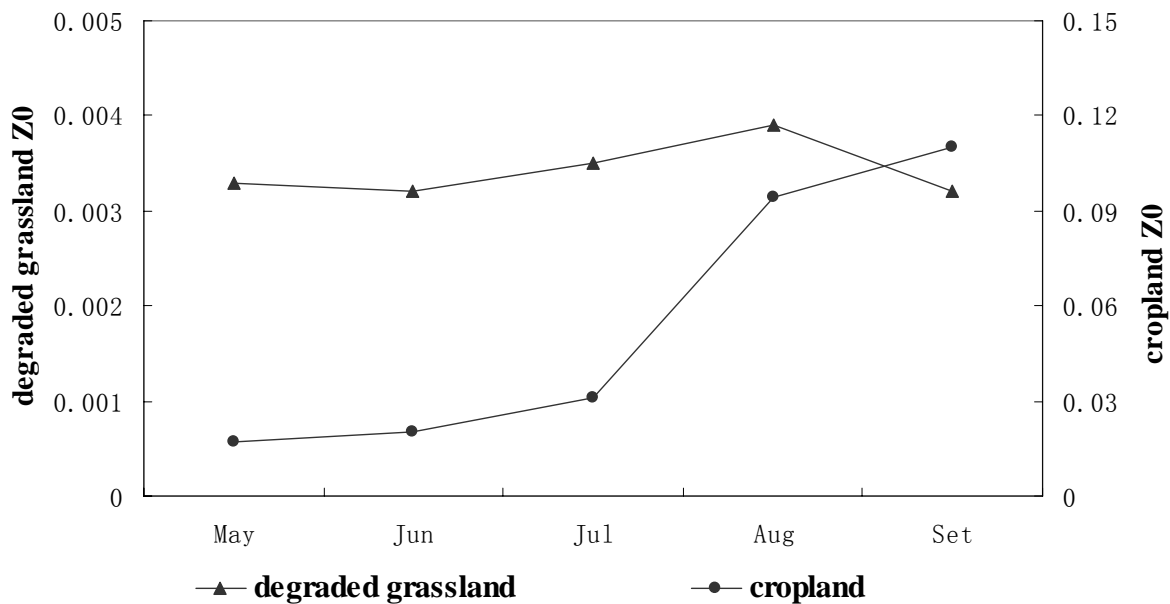
unneutral stratified layer:

$$\ln \frac{z-d}{z_{0m}} = \frac{\kappa u(z)}{u_*} + \psi_m(\zeta)$$

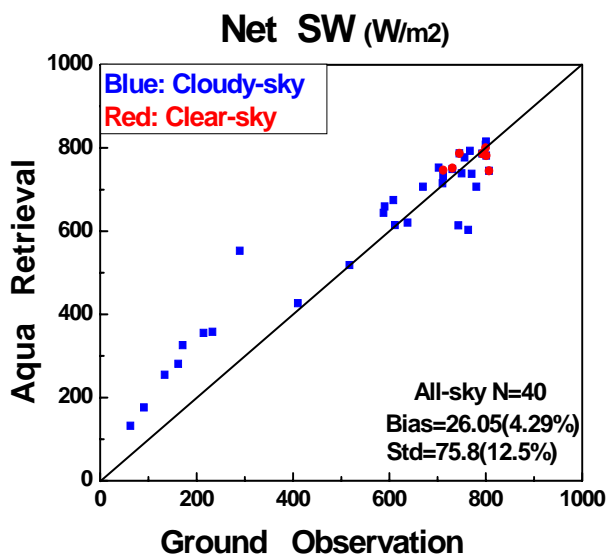
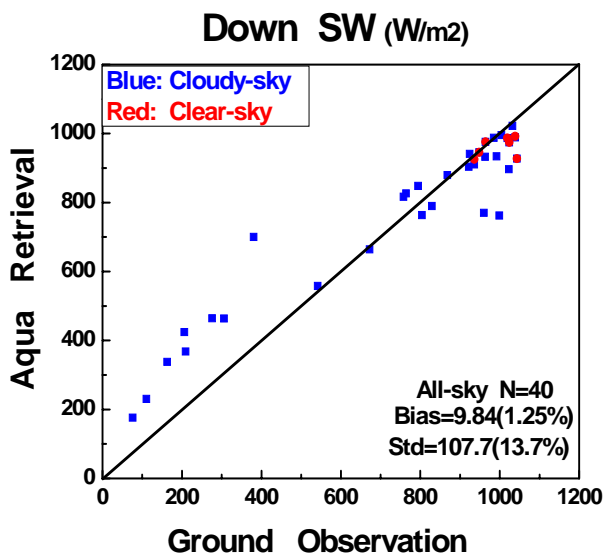
$$\zeta = z/L$$

$$L = -\frac{\rho c_p \cdot u_*^3 T_a}{\kappa g H} \quad (\text{Monin—Obukhov length})$$

# aerodynamic roughness length ( $Z_0$ , Unit: m)



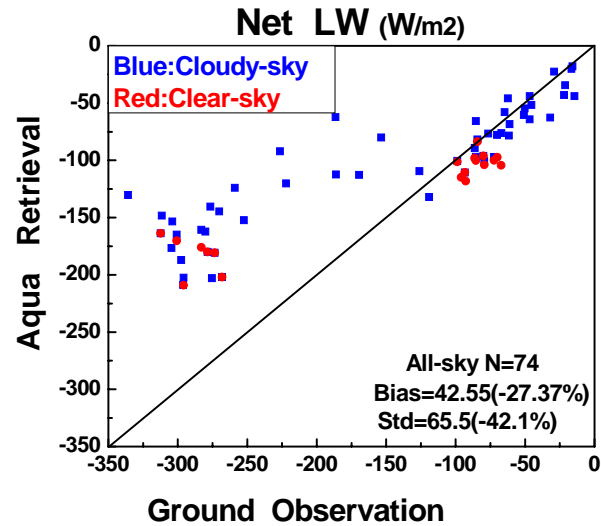
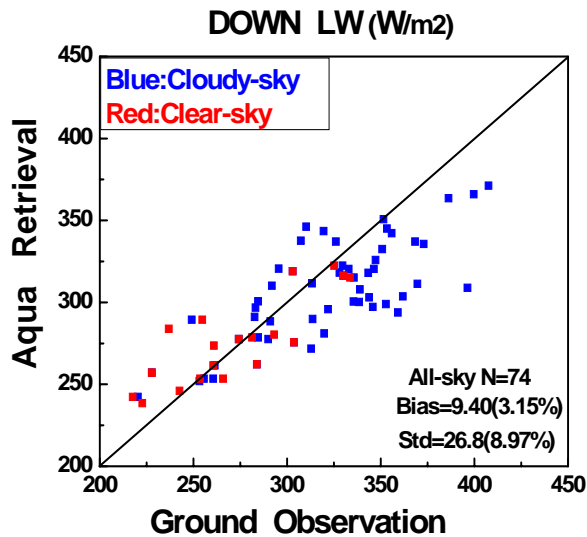
## Comparison of Surface Radiative Properties



Comparison of MODIS Aqua retrieved short wave radiative properties with ground-based observation.

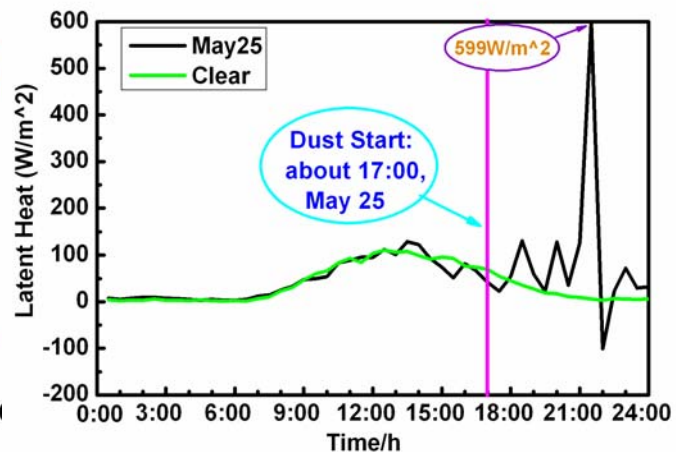
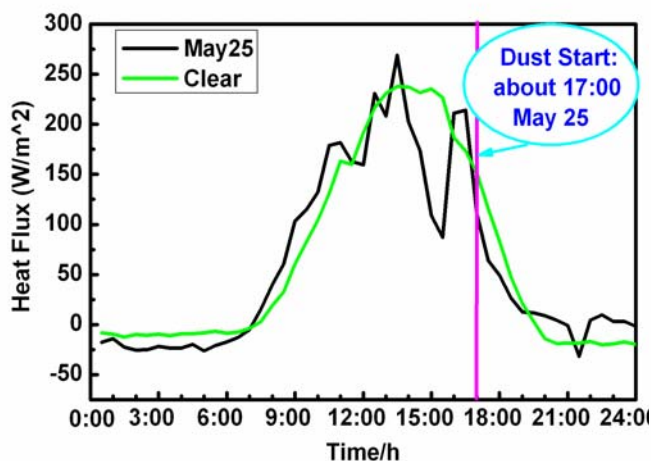


## Comparison of Surface Radiative Properties



Comparison of MODIS Aqua retrieved long wave radiative properties with ground-based observation.

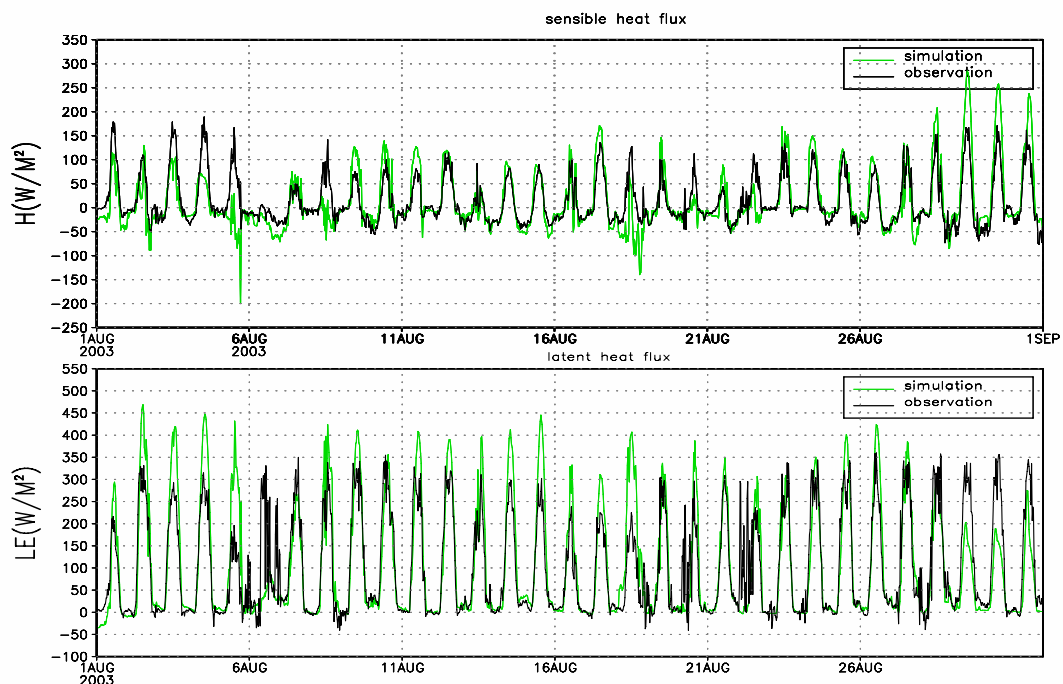
## Effect of Dust Aerosol on Fluxes



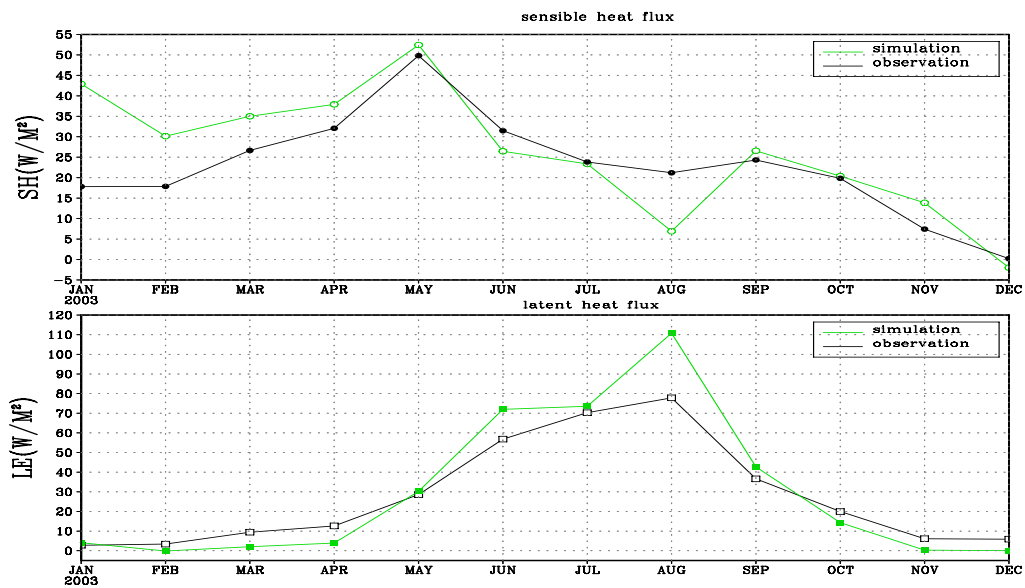
Comparison of averaged clear-sky sensible heat flux and latent heat flux with those flux in dust day.

■ **Validation of land surface models (Common Land Model and SiB2) by using observed data from Tongyu stations**

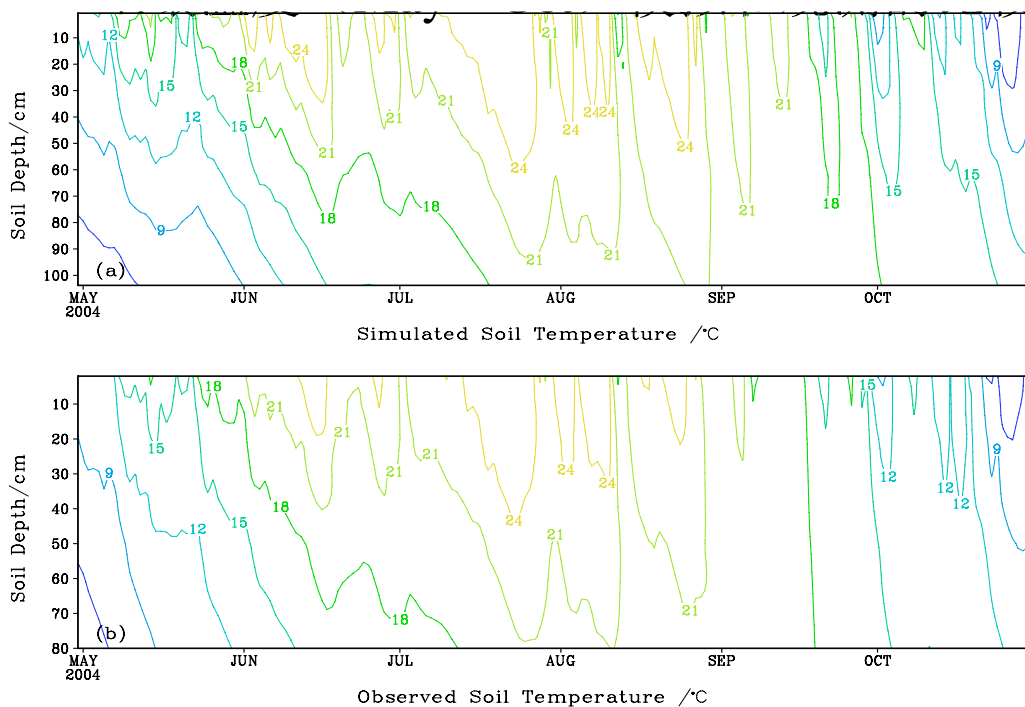
**Simulation of the diurnal cycle of sensible/latent heat fluxes during Aug.2003 at cropland**

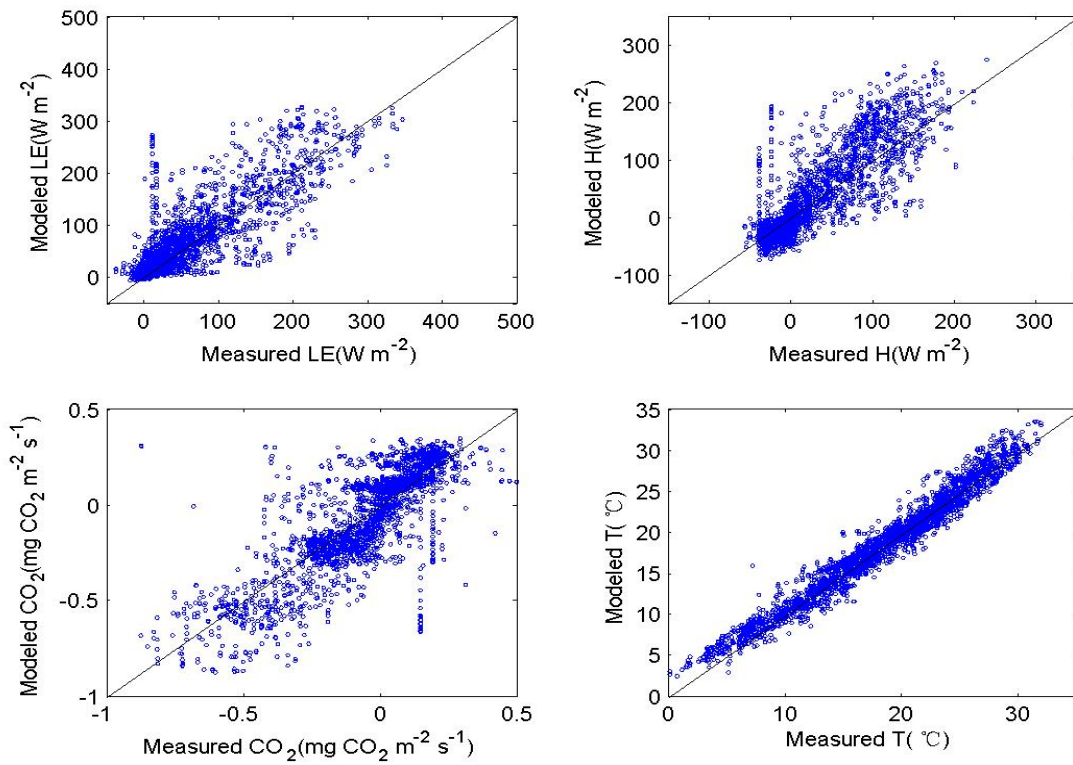


# Simulation of the seasonal variation of the heat fluxes during year 2003 at degraded grassland

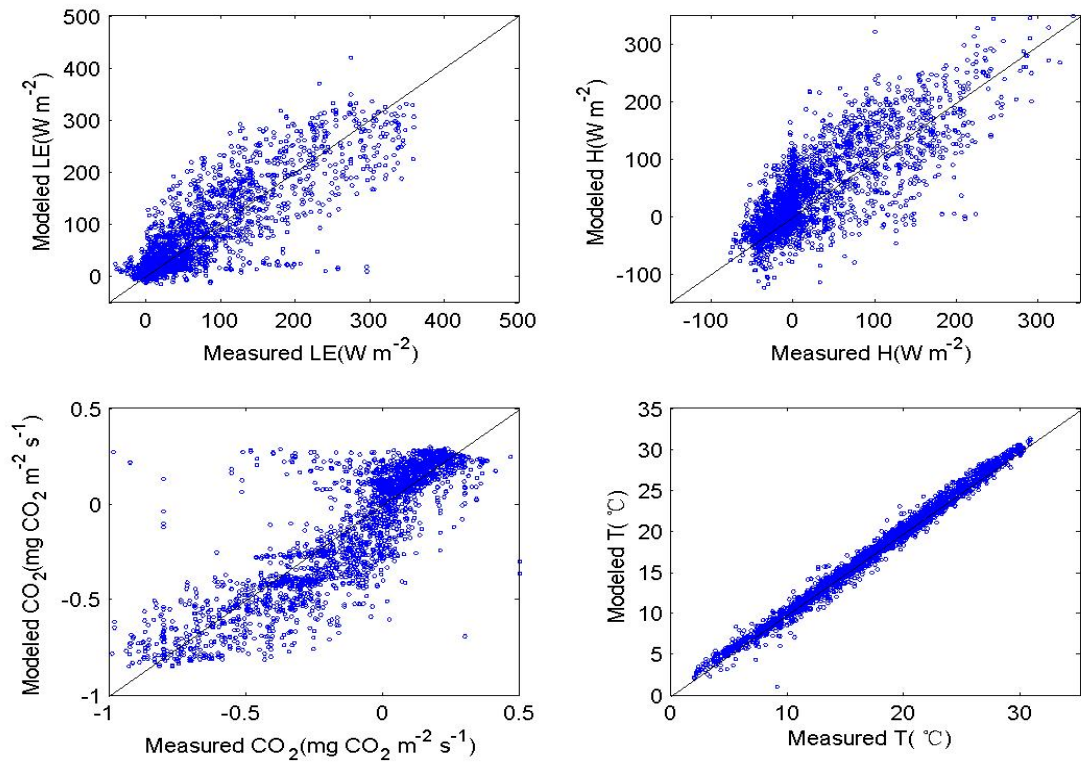


# Comparison of the soil temperature profile in 2004 (May~Oct.) at degraded grassland



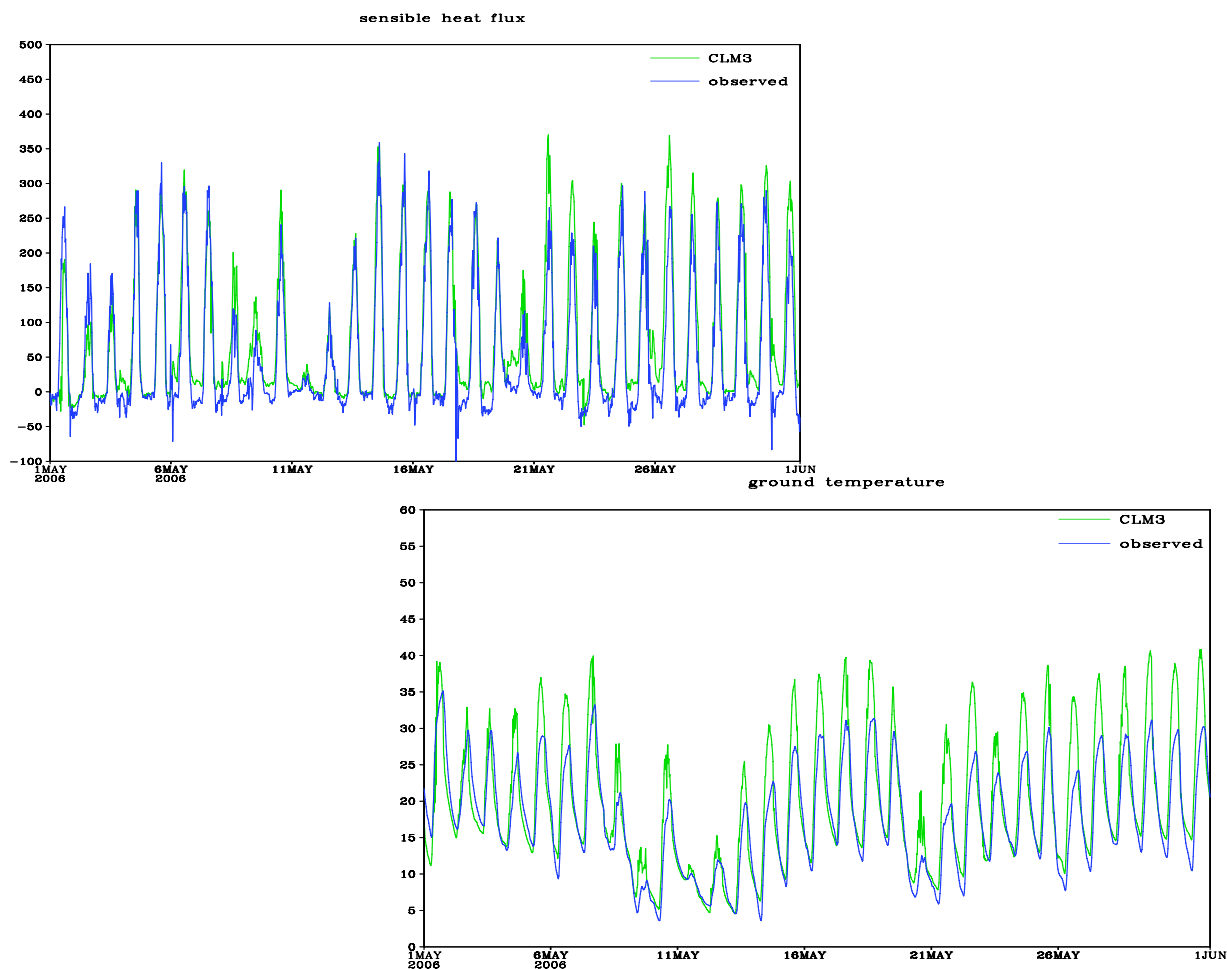
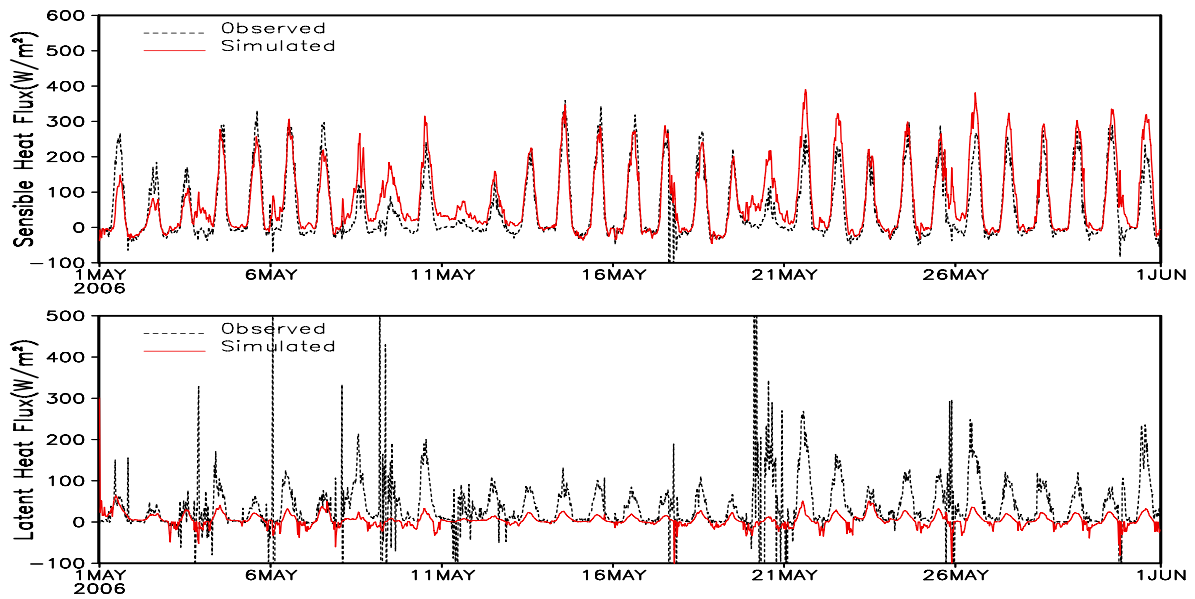


Scatter plots of latent heat flux (LE), sensible heat flux (H), and  $CO_2$  flux modeled **using SiB2** against direct measurements at **degraded grassland (year: 2003)**.



Scatter plots of latent heat flux (LE), sensible heat flux (H), and  $CO_2$  flux modeled **using SiB2** against direct measurements at **cropland (year: 2003)**.

# Comparison of simulated sensible and latent heat fluxes against observations



# Planning activities for 2007-2008

- **CEOP/MAIRS joint workshop of land-atmosphere interaction in semi-arid regions and First meeting of CEOP semi-arid region working group in August 9-13, 2007, Lanzhou, China;**
- **Workshops of development of a joint MAIRS/CEOP proposal on multi-disciplinary integrated observation project in arid/semi-arid Asia in 2007-2008;**
- **A START/MAIRS/AAMP RCM training course and Workshop of RCM inter-comparison for Asia (RMIP) in Hawaii in 2008.**

***International Workshop on  
Semi-Arid Land Surface-Atmosphere  
Interaction  
Aug. 9-13, 2007 , Lanzhou, China***

**Main topics:**

- **Land surface-atmosphere interactions**
- **Dust aerosol effect on hydrological cycle**
- **Climate change monitoring in semi-arid environment**
- **International cooperative field campaign over Northern East Asia**

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