Assimilation of fluorescence observations to constrain The gross primary production in a land surface model

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Scientific goal: Understanding of GPP-related processes from leaf to large scales under various conditions

Tools:

Land Surface Model ORCHIDEE Data: Satellite (Sun-Induced Fluorescence, SIF) and in situ Data Assimilation ORCHIDAS

GROSS PRIMARY PRODUCTION (GPP): A VERY UNCERTAIN FLUX



Anav et al. (2015)

GPP cannot be measured at scales larger than leaf.

- Extrapolation from in situ measurements (FLUXNET)
- Based on satellite observations (e.g. MODIS)
- Land surface models

WHY IS FLUORESCENCE RELATED TO PHOTOSYNTHESIS?



Leaf level

Canopy level



Leaf level Fluorescence emission

690

710

1000

SATELLITE INSTRUMENTS FOR SIF ESTIMATES

	GOME-2	SCIAMACHY	GOSAT	OCO-2	TROPOMI
Spatial resolution	40x40 km ²	30x60 km ²	0.5x0.5 km ²	1.3x2.25 km ²	3.5 km x 5.5 km ²
Revisit frequency	3 days	6 days	3 days	16 days	~ 1 day
Overpass time	9:30	10:00	13:00	13:30	13:30
Spectral resolution	~ 0.5 nm	~ 0.5 nm	~ 0.025 nm	~ 0.05 nm	0.38 nm

+ ESA FLEX (2025) 300m



TROPOMI SIF





Figure 10. Histogram of all available TROPOMI-based SIF estimates at 10 PICS over the 2018–2020 period, for Caltech SIF and TROPOSIF SIF estimates from the 743–758 and 735–758 nm fitting windows. The distributions were fitted using a Gaussian function; the corresponding mean (bias) and standard deviation (SD) are provided for each SIF product. The mean slope of the SIF temporal variations over the 10 PICS is given in brackets.

- The bias is evaluated at invariant calibration sites and close to 0.
- The retrieval error for TROPOSIF is typically 0.5 mW m⁻¹ sr⁻¹ nm⁻¹.
- Directional effects
- → Data are aggregated temporally and/or spatially to reduce noise.

Guanter, Bacour et al. (2021)

DATA ASSIMILATION WITH ORCHIDEE/ORCHIDAS



Global Biogeochemical Cycles

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Figure 1. Schematic showing the different components of the ORCHIDEE Data Assimilation System.

MacBean, Bacour et al. (2022)

PARAMETER OPTIMISATION / COST FUNCTION

Bayesian framework: x_{opt} minimizes the misfit function J(x):

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} (M(x) - y)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} (H(x) - y) + (x - x_b)^T \mathbf{B}^{-1} (x - x_b) \end{bmatrix}$$

observation term
$$M(x) \text{ model outputs}$$

y observation vector
$$\mathbf{R} \text{ observation and model error covariance matrix}$$

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Technical challenges:

- **R** and **B** are diagonal → We do not consider any correlation (temporal, spatial, between parameters).
- The authorized range variations of parameters is prescribed based on literature reviews and expertise of the researchers.
 - The prior uncertainty is typically assumed to be 25% of the parameter value range.
- The observation and model error covariance matrix (**R**) is based on the RMSE between the observations and the model.

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Minimization algorithms: local gradient-based vs global random search

MINIMISATION: GRADIENT DESCENT



High risk to be stuck in a local minima for non-linear models.

MINIMISATION: GENETIC ALGORITHM



Land surface model parameter optimisation using in situ flux data: comparison of gradient-based versus random search algorithms (a case study using ORCHIDEE v1.9.5.2)

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Sobol'

GP

based

eFAS

FANOVA



Example with the Morris approach:



Thiele et al. (2014)

high

*Abadie et al. (*in prep.)

The ranking largely depends on the authorized range variation.

Virtual workshops:

Tackling Technical Challenges in Land Data Assimilation, June 14-16, 2021 (https://aimesproject.org/lda_workshop/) New Directions in Land Data Assimilation, June 13-15, 2022 (https://aimesproject.org/lda_workshop_2022/)

BAMS Meeting Summary

Building a Land Data Assimilation Community to Tackle Technical Challenges in Quantifying and Reducing Uncertainty in Land Model Predictions

Natasha MacBean, Hannah Liddy, Tristan Quaife, Jana Kolassa, and Andrew Fox

We first hypothesized a **linear relationship between SIF and GPP**, and assimilated GOME-2 data at a monthly time-scale and a 0.5° spatial resolution.



SIF = aGPP + b

→ Simulated GPP improved both in amplitude and seasonality

Figure 3. Mean monthly GPP seasonal cycle over 2007–2011 period (PgC/month) for: (**a**) temperate and boreal Köppen-Geiger (KG) biomes (approximately equivalent to northern hemisphere >60°N); (**b**) tropical KG biomes (approximately equivalent to tropical latitudes 30°S to 30°N); (**c**) arid KG biomes. The prior simulation is shown in the red curve, and the posterior in blue. The grey curve shows a comparison with the JUNG up-scaled FLUXNET data-driven GPP product by Jung M. *et al.*¹⁸. Köppen-Geiger classification based on Peel M. C. *et al.*⁵³.

MacBean, Maignan, Bacour et al. (2018)

But: The SIF-GPP relationship is scale-dependent.



Leaf level

The SIF-GPP relationship is not linear at leaf and high-frequency time scales.



 \rightarrow Need to use SIF process-based models.

Zhang et al. (2016)



Wohlfahrt et al. (2018)

Heatwave monitored during April 2017, at the Yatir forest, Israël

→ Need to understand the underlying mechanisms in stress conditions.

DEVELOPING A PROCESS-BASED SIF OBSERVATION OPERATOR

• Principle

based on the SCOPE model (Van der Tol et al., 2009)

fluorescence emission: $F^{\lambda} = F_{PSI}^{\lambda} + \varepsilon F_{PSII}^{\lambda}$

• Canopy level

 $F_{\rm PSI/PSII}^{\lambda}$ fluorescence emission from photosystem (PS) I/II at canopy level for wavelength λ

• Leaf level



Assimilation of OCO-2 SIF



→ Improvement of GPP magnitude and seasonality

Bacour, Maignan, MacBean et al. (2019)

Assimilation of TROPOMI SIF data

SIF



Bacour et al. (TROPOSIF Assessment Report, 2021)

Assimilating SIF-only results in GPP degradation for a majority of PFTs. 19



Bacour et al. (TROPOSIF Assessment Report, 2021)

GRIDDED FLUXSAT PRODUCT

Co-assimilation of SIF and GPP is required to optimize both variables. 20



Bacour et al. (TROPOSIF Assessment Report, 2021)

→ We are now currently co-assimilating TROPOMI SIF satellite data and in situ FLUXNET GPP estimates, managing the different spatial scales.

SIF

OUTLOOKS

Reducing model structural errors:

- Improving the radiative transfer model (Zhang et al., 2020).
- Improving the photosynthesis scheme (Johnson and Berry, 2021).
- Improving the NPQ model (PhD Lucas Leverne).
- Participating in Model Intercomparison Projects (SIFMIP2).

Data:

Development of a network of in situ SIF observations

Data assimilation:

- Co-assimilation of SIF and Carbonyl Sulfide (COS), SIF and Vegetation Optical Depth (VOD) (PhD Camille Abadie)
- Co-assimilation of SIF and XCO2 (OCO-2, MicroCarb)
- Implementation of the History Matching approach in ORCHIDAS (use of emulators)