

CM SAF Latent and sensible heat fluxes dataset: present and future

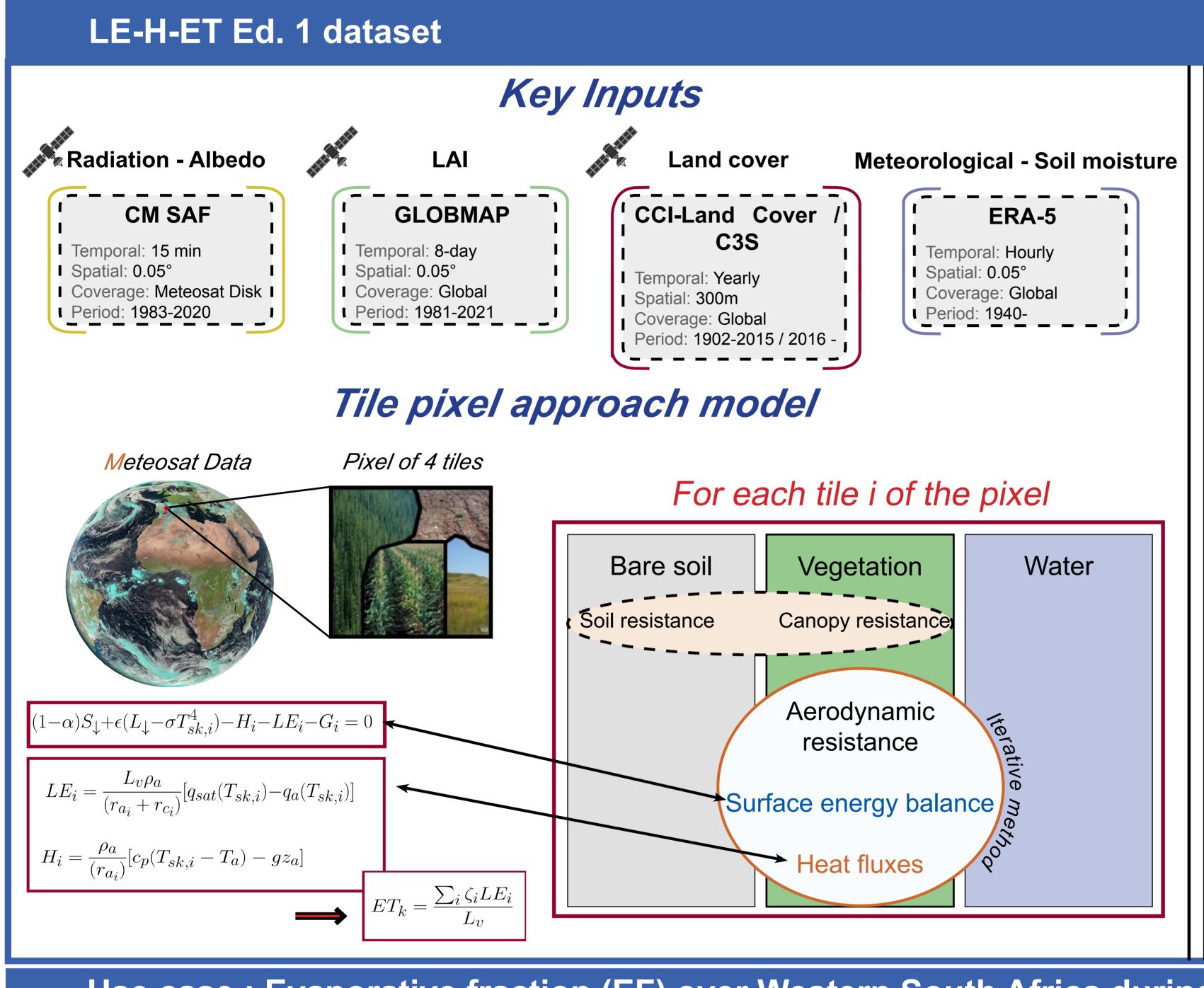


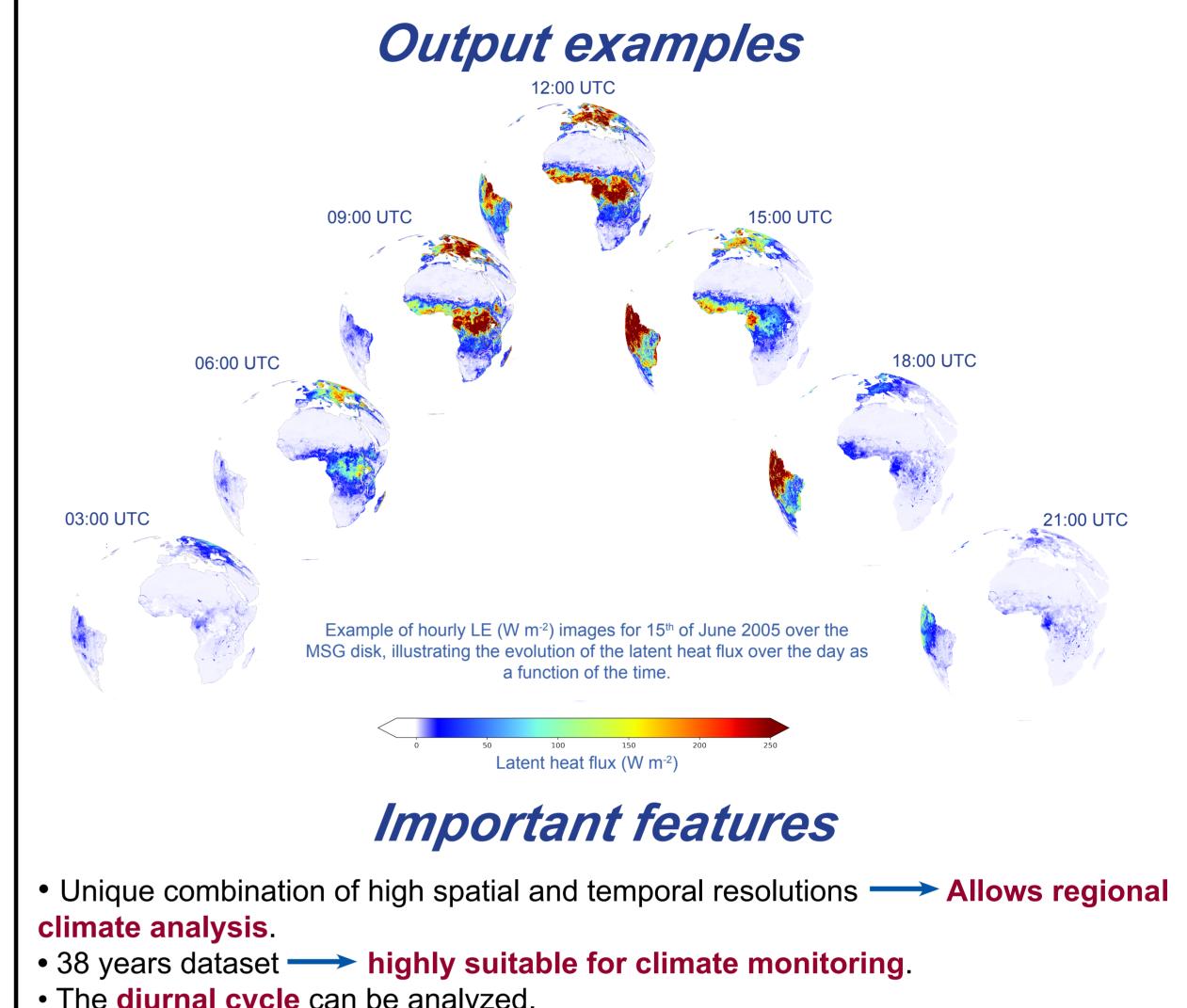
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Land surface heat and water vapour fluxes are key elements in the climate system: they materialize the feedback the land gives in return to the atmosphere. In order to better apprehend the changes of this feedback over the years, a long record of data is necessary. The exploitation of the observations from EUMETSAT METEOSAT suite of satellites is valuable in that perspective. Thus, the CM SAF Surface Radiation and Fluxes from Meteosat First and Second Generation - Edition 1 (LANDFLUX Ed. 1) providing, over a period of 38 years (1983-2020), various parameters depicting the surface states and radiation fluxes, including the Surface Radiation Balance (SRB), the Cloud Fractional Cover (CFC), the Land Surface Temperature (LST), the Evapotranspiration (ET) and the Latent (LE) and Sensible (H) Heat Fluxes. Overall, comparisons at stations showed errors in the same order of magnitude than the literature with, for instance, daily bias of -10.8 W/m² and -2.6 W/m² for LE and H respectively and, daily uRMSE of 24.7 W/m² and 34.1 W/m² for LE and H respectively.

Characteristics Parameters Sensible and latent (evapotranspiration) heat fluxes **MVIRI & SEVIRI** Sensors Methodology Adaptation from the LSA SAF ET v2 algorithm Meteosat disk (60°N - 60°S; 60°W - 60°E) Coverage Spatial 0.05° (~5 km) Resolution Temporal Hourly, daily, monthly and monthly mean diurnal cycle data Resolution Period





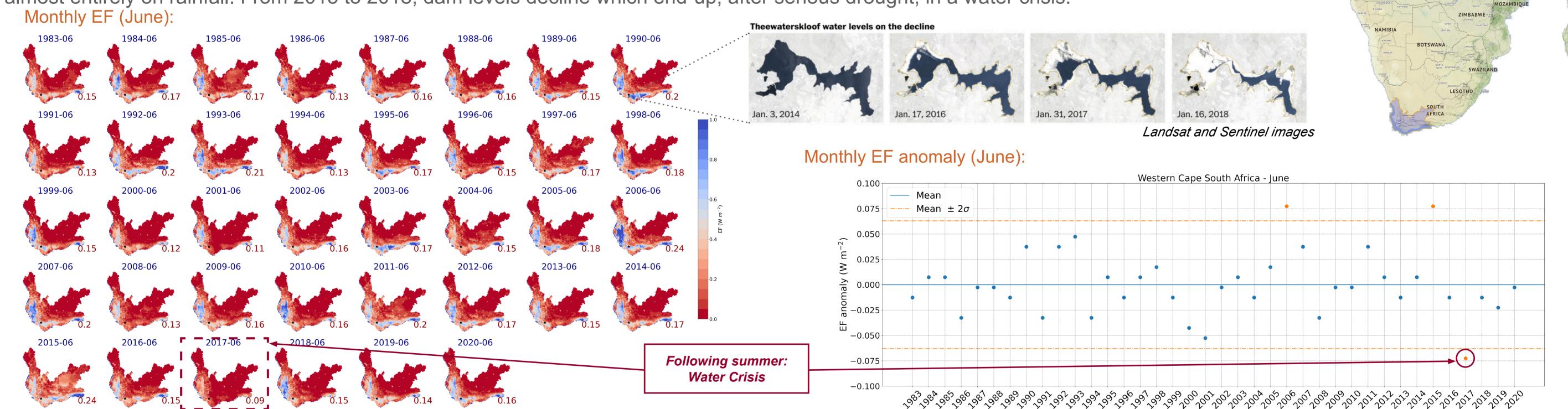
The diurnal cycle can be analyzed.

- The Meteosat field of view covers a large domain.
- Highly complementary with other global datasets with lower spatial and/or temporal resolution or covering lower time period (e.g. GLEAM, ERA-5, LSA SAF). • Results at stations are in-line with other datasets and the literature.

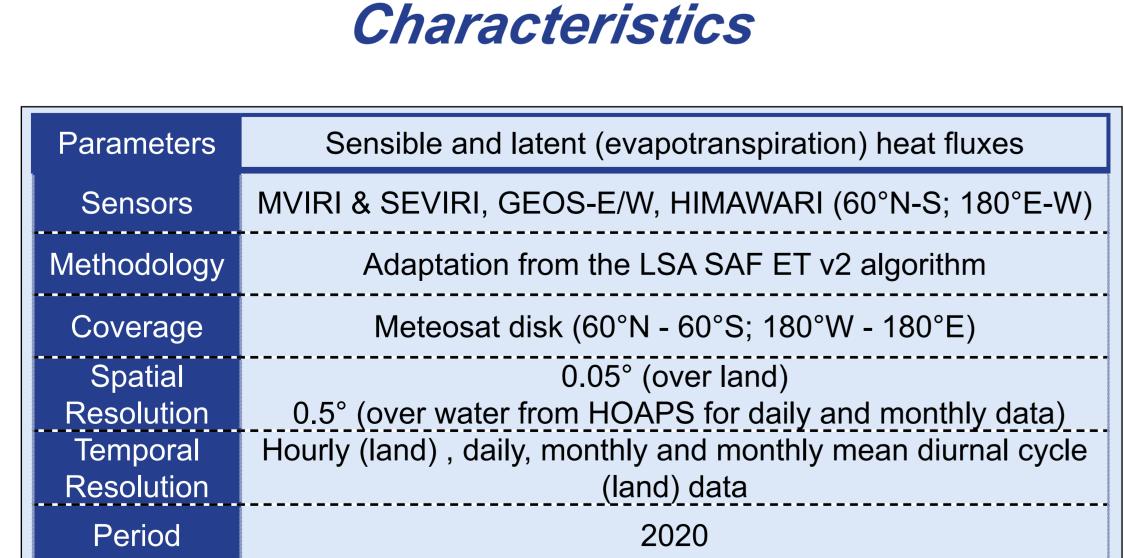
Use case: Evaporative fraction (EF) over Western South Africa during winter (June)

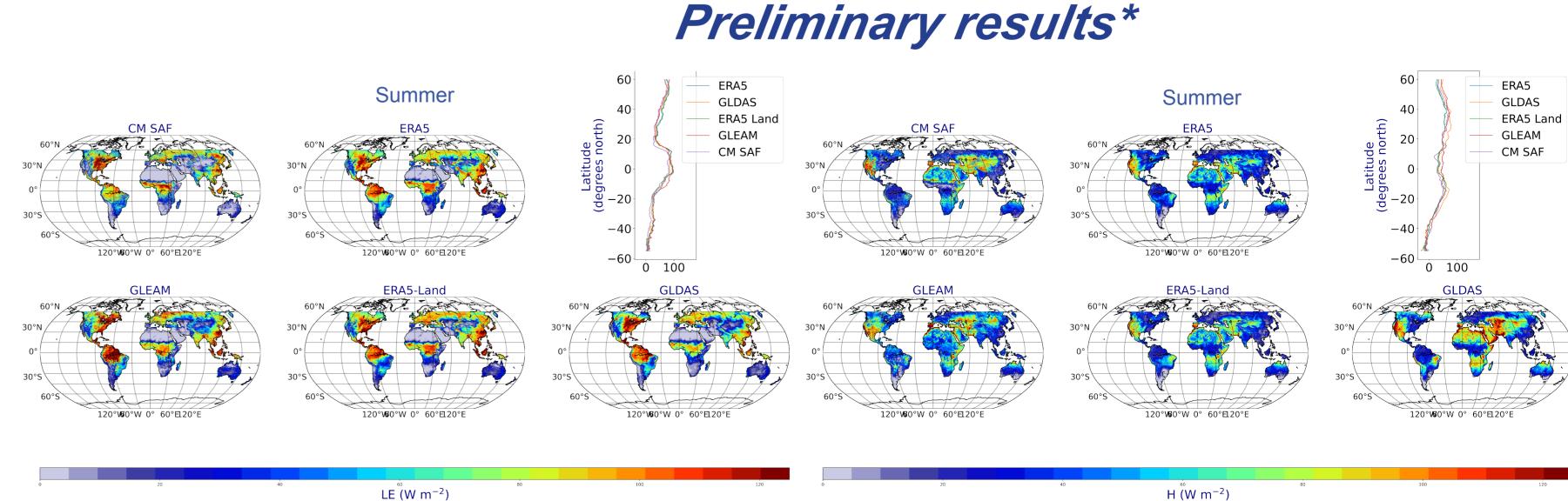
 $EF = \frac{LE}{LE+H}$ Parameter reflecting the distribution of surface available energy. Background:

Context: The Western Cape obtains most of its water from dams that capture rainfall during rainy season (May to August). Thus, supply system relies almost entirely on rainfall. From 2015 to 2018, dam levels decline which end-up, after serious drought, in a water crisis.



Future: GEO-Ring prototype





*Radiations and albedo inputs from ERA-5.

