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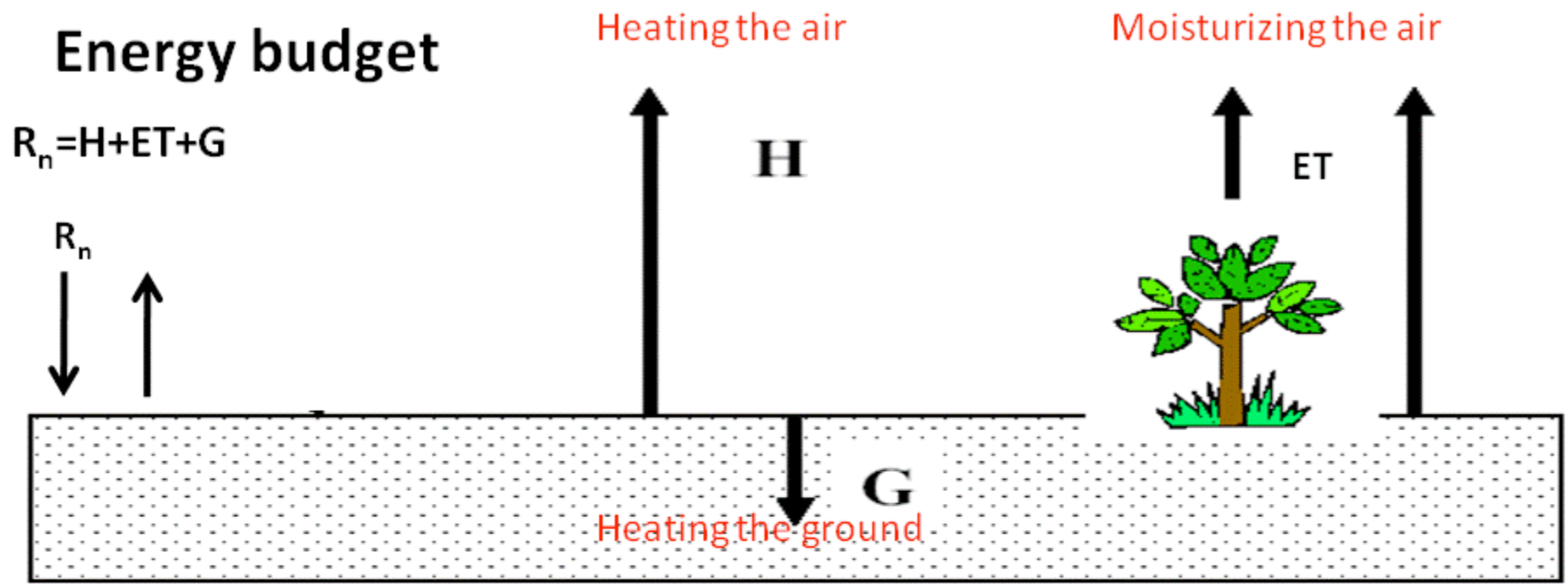
# Land Surface Radiation Budgets from Model Simulations and Remote Sensing

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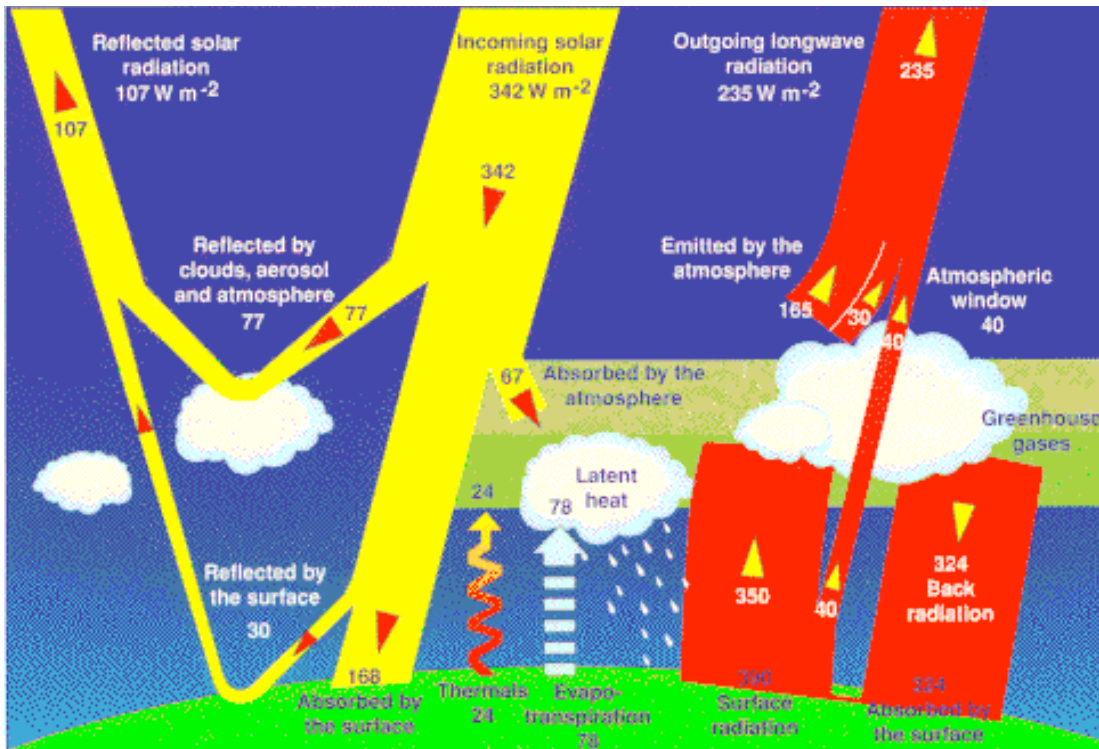
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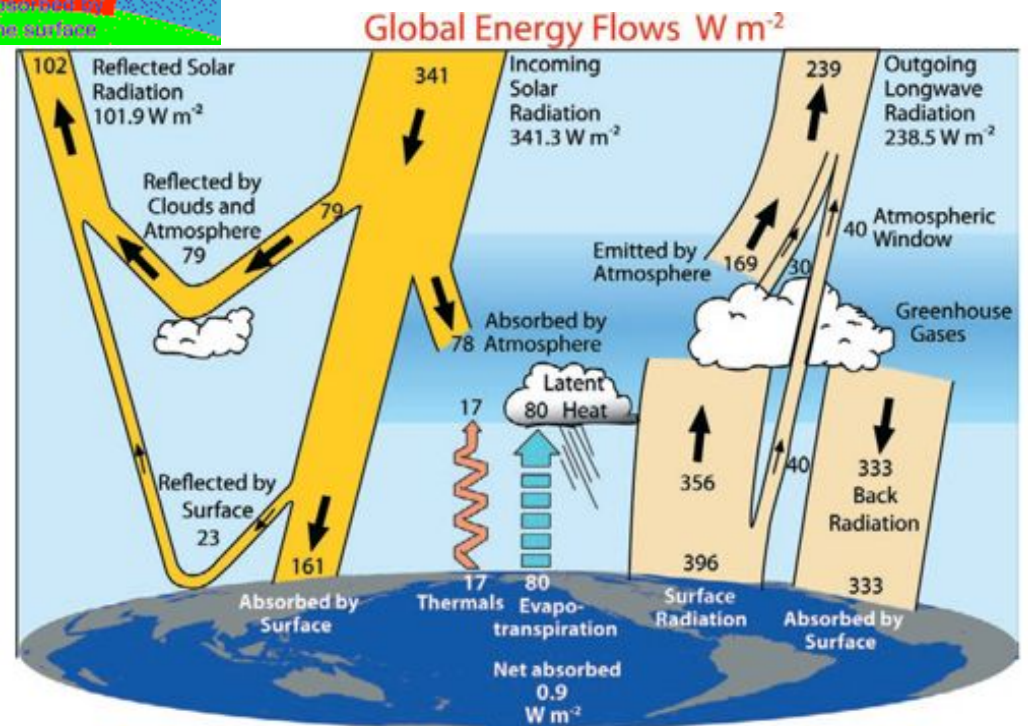
$$R_n = R_n^s + R_n^l = (1 - \alpha) F_d^s + \epsilon F_d^l - \sigma \epsilon T^4$$

Net radiation  
 albedo  
 Insolation  
 Longwave downward radiation  
 Emissivity  
 Skin temperature

## Radiation budget

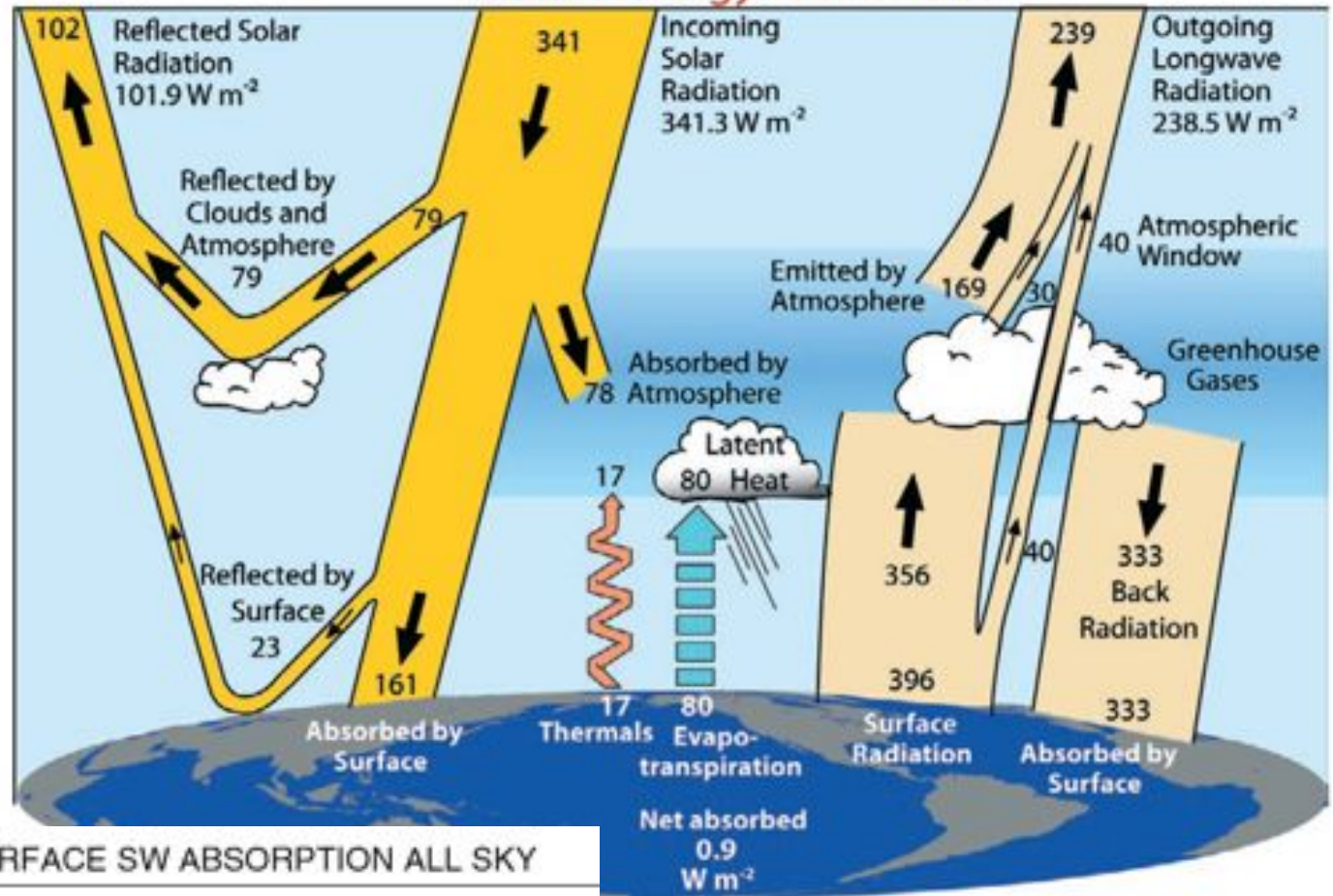


*Kiehl and Trenberth (1997)*

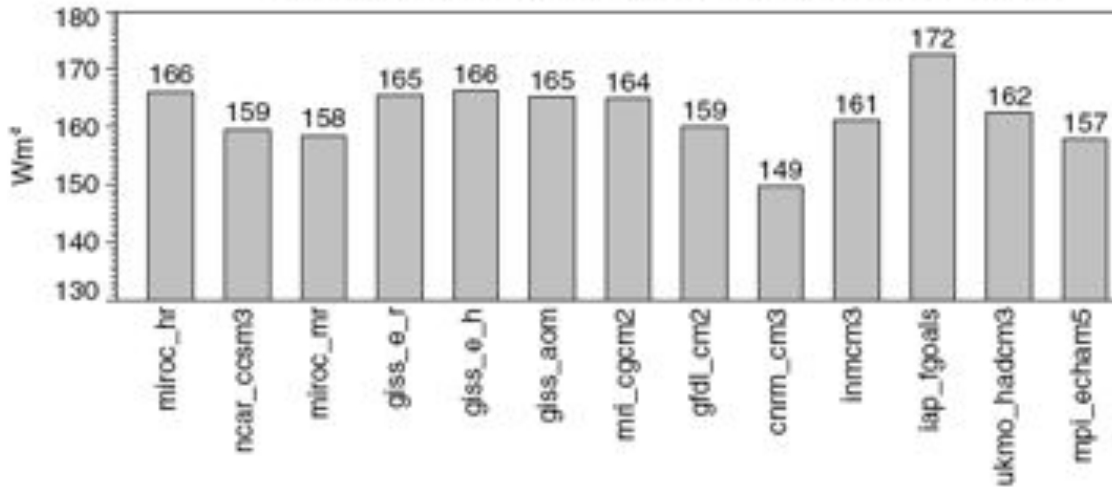


*Trenberth et al. (2009)*

## Global Energy Flows $W m^{-2}$

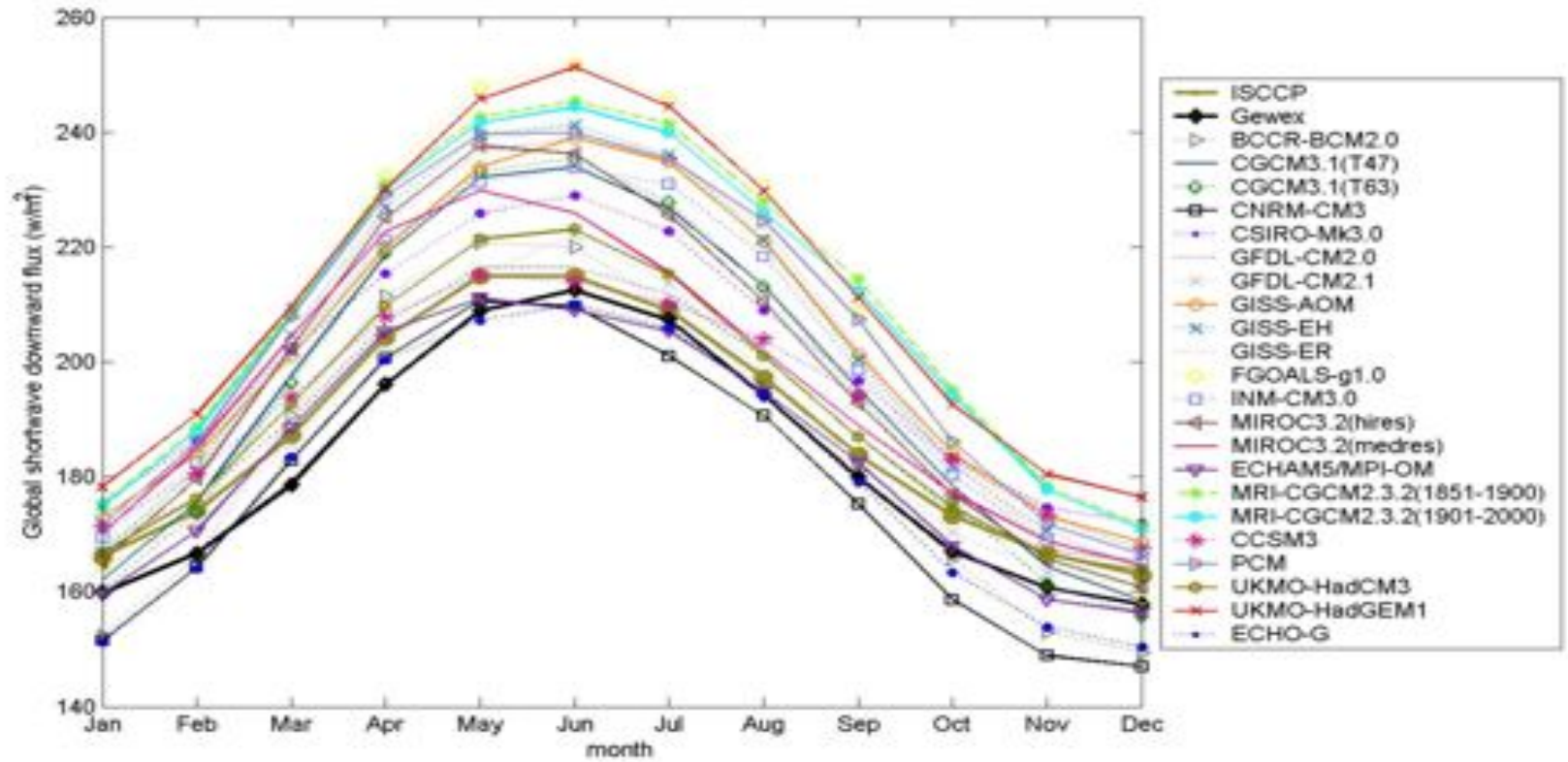


IPCC AR4 : SURFACE SW ABSORPTION ALL SKY



## Radiation budgets in IPCC AR4 GCMs

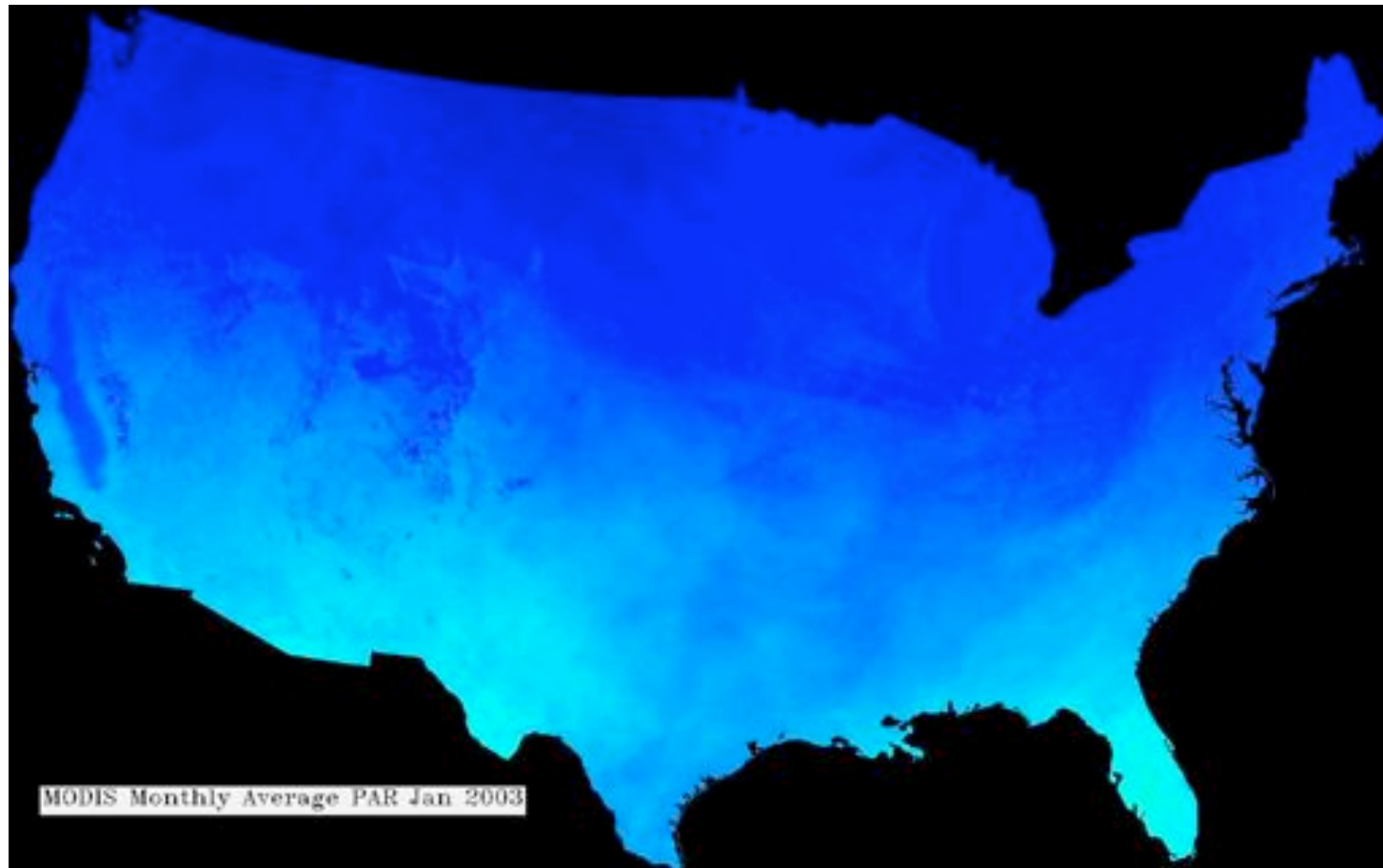
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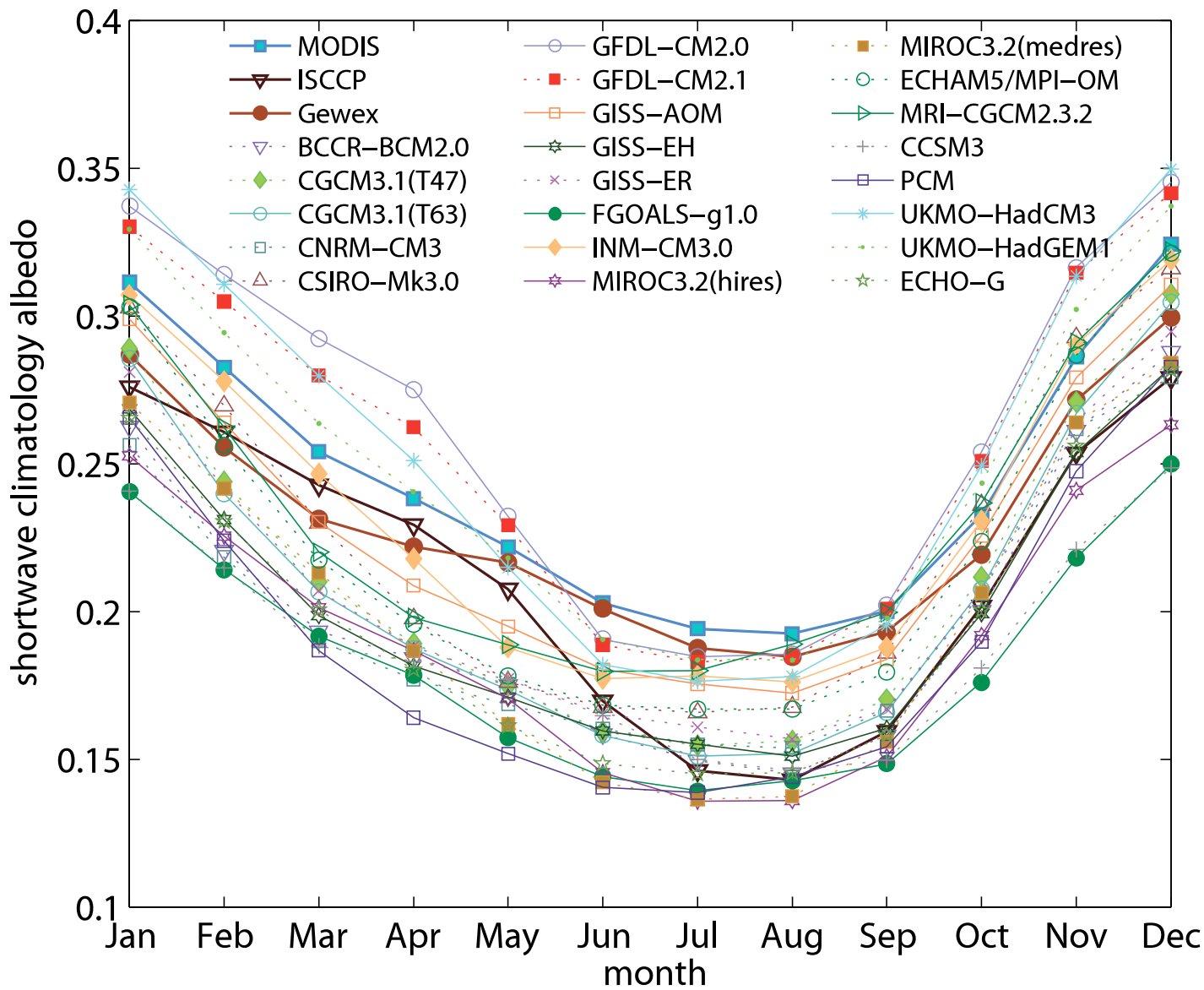
## IPCC AR4 GCM model simulations and two satellite products

Table 1 Estimated averaged Insolation over land surfaces ( $\text{Wm}^{-2}$ )

dataset	ISCCP-FD [125]	NRA [125]	ERA-40 [125]	JRA [125]	Trenberth et al. [125]	AMIP/II GCMs mean [140]	GEBA mean [140]	IPCC AR4 GCM mean	GEWEX
Feb. 1985- April 1989	190.1	224.1	177.2	206.4		178	169	175	
Mar 2000 - May 2004	188.8	225.4	-	207.4	184.7				182.4



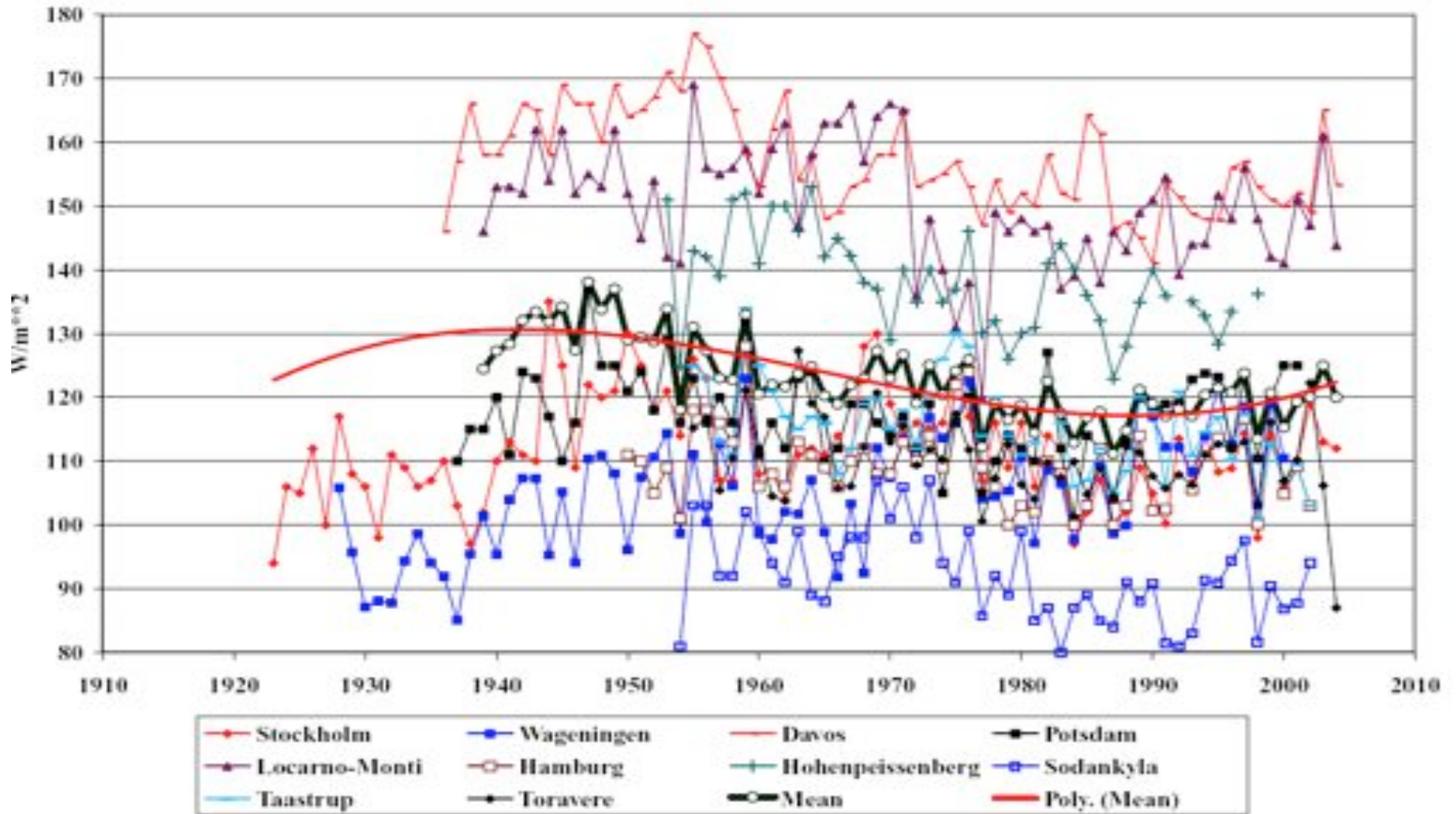
**Liang, S.**, T. Zheng, R. Liu, H. Fang, S. C. Tsay, S. Running, (2006), Estimation of incident Photosynthetically Active Radiation from MODIS Data, *Journal of Geophysical Research – Atmosphere*. 111, D15208, doi:10.1029/2005JD006730.



Model mean:  
0.21  
Standard dev.:  
0.02  
  
MODIS: 0.24

IPCC AR4 GCM model simulations and three satellite products

Global radiation for Europe for sites with more than 50 years observation



Ohmura (2006)

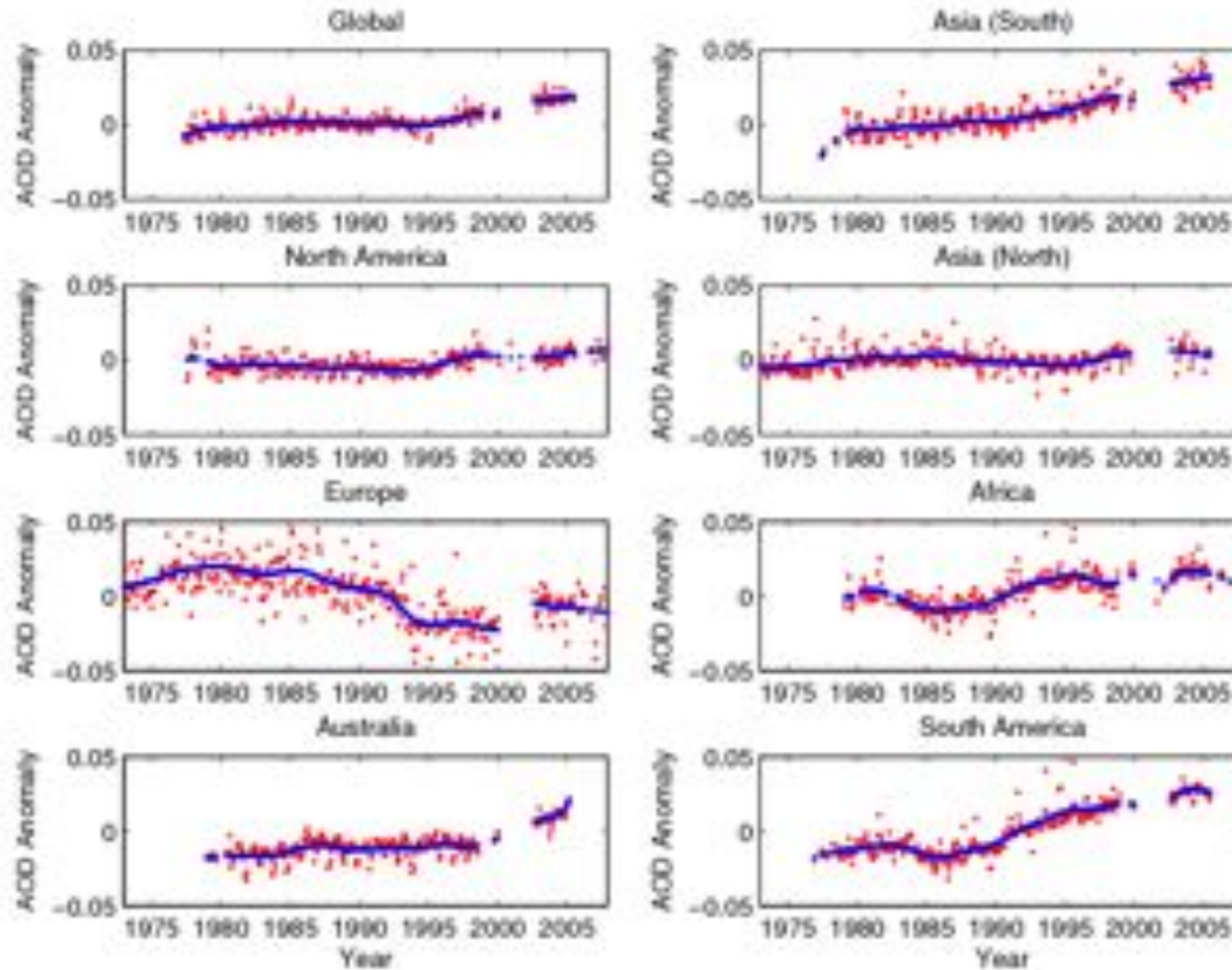
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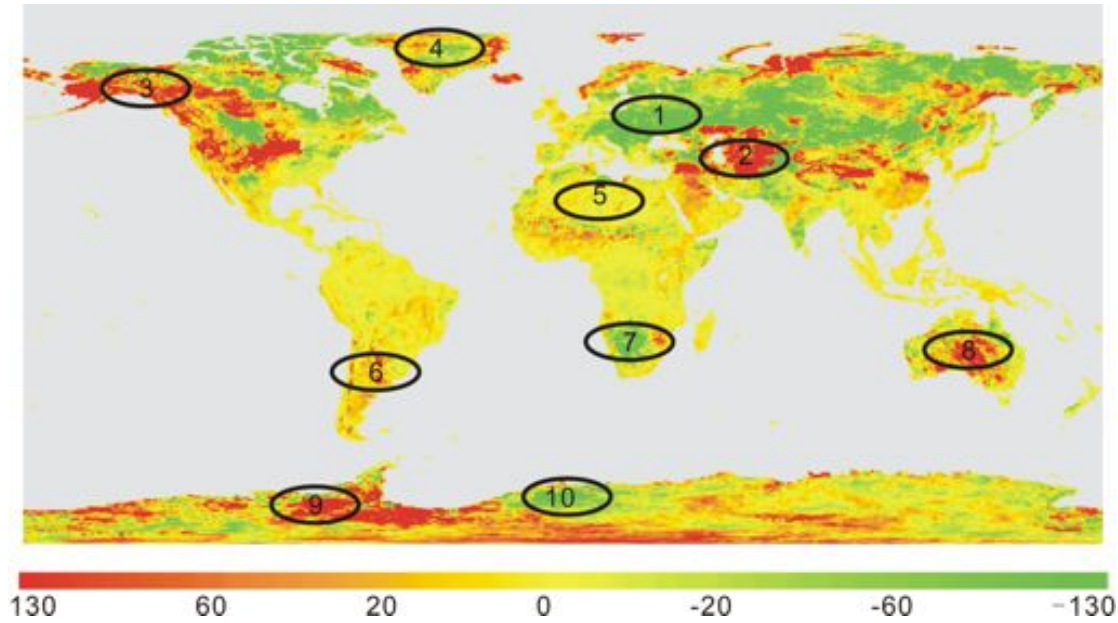
**“global brightening”**: Substantial increase in solar radiation the surface



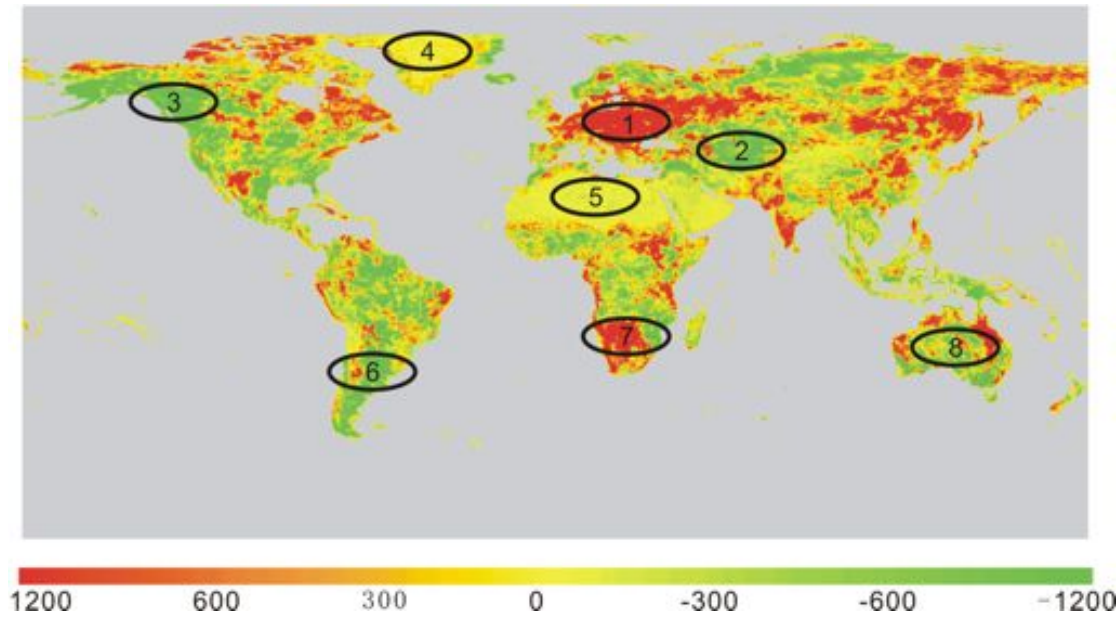
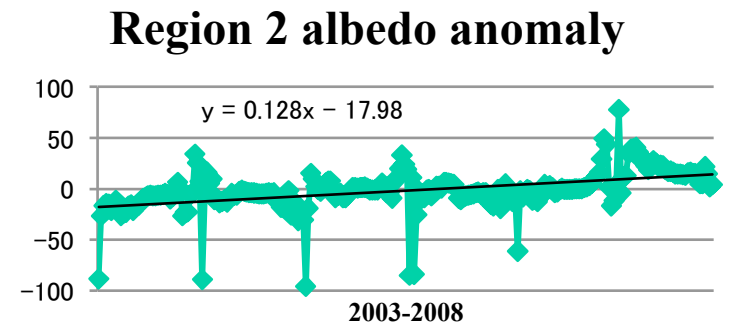


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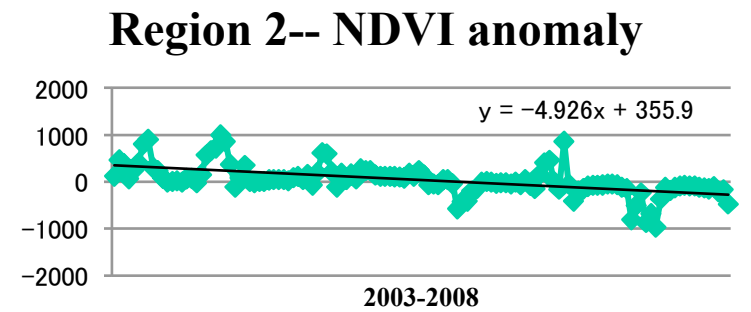




**MODIS land surface albedo anomaly between 2003-2008 (%)**

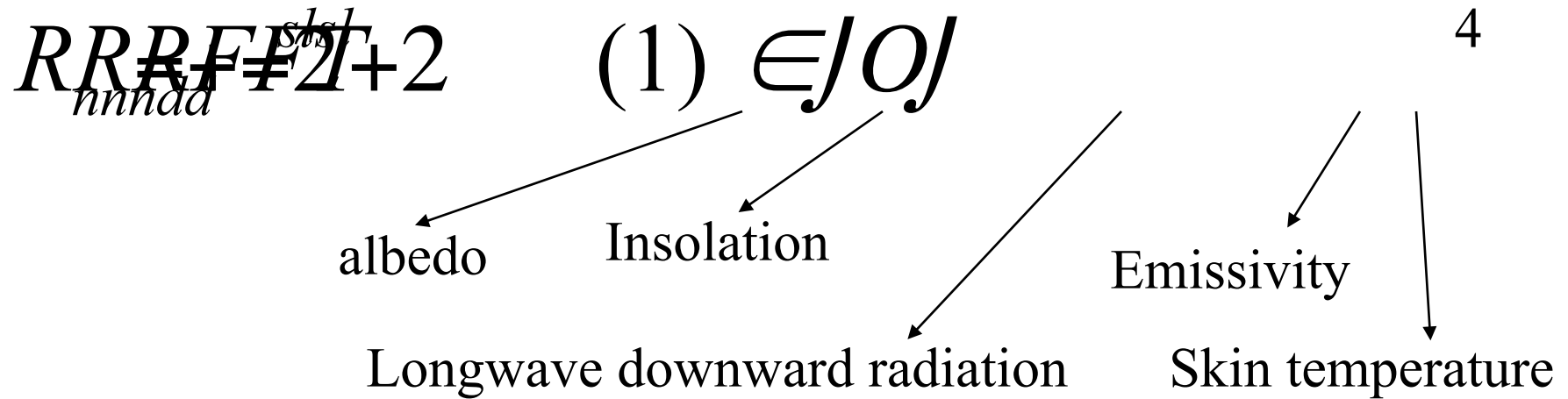


**MODIS NDVI anomaly between 2003-2008 (X10000)**





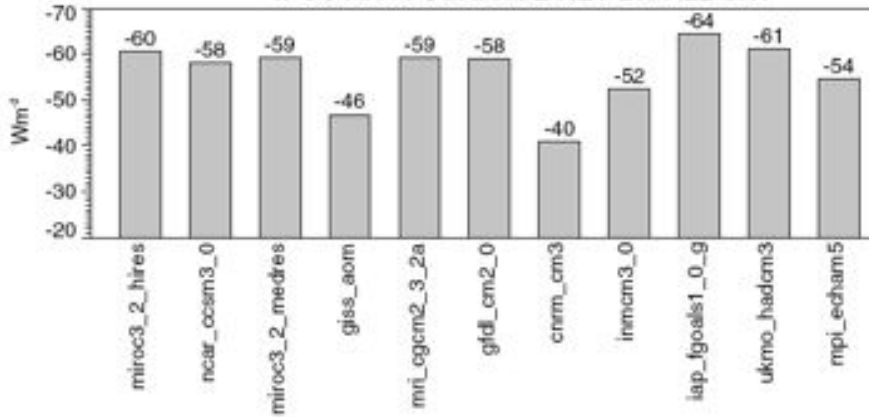
# Longwave radiation budget



## Radiation budget

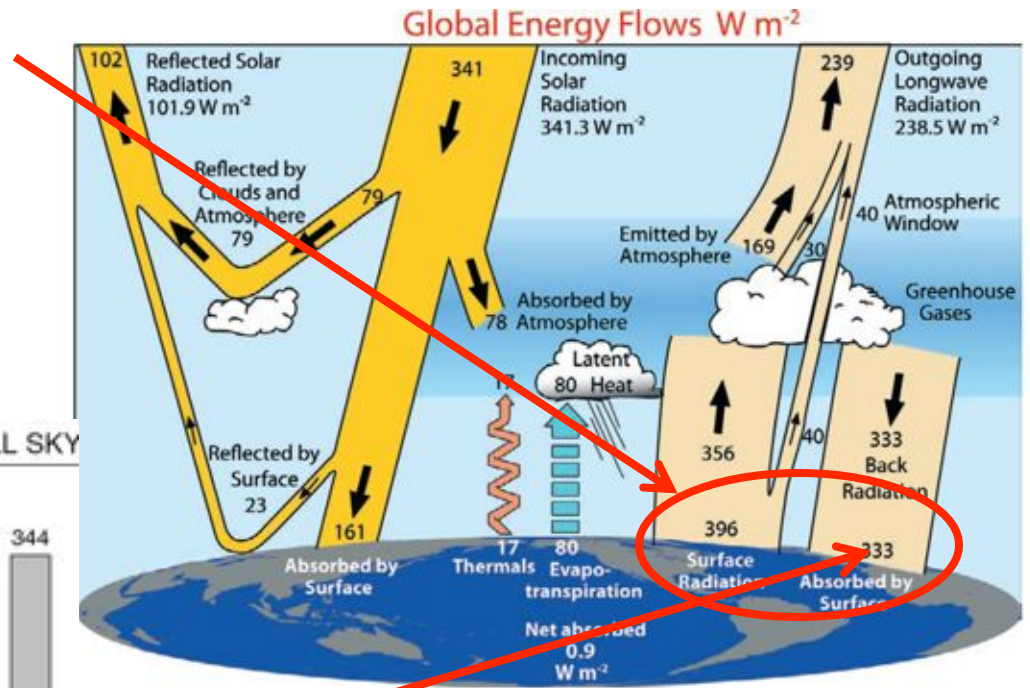
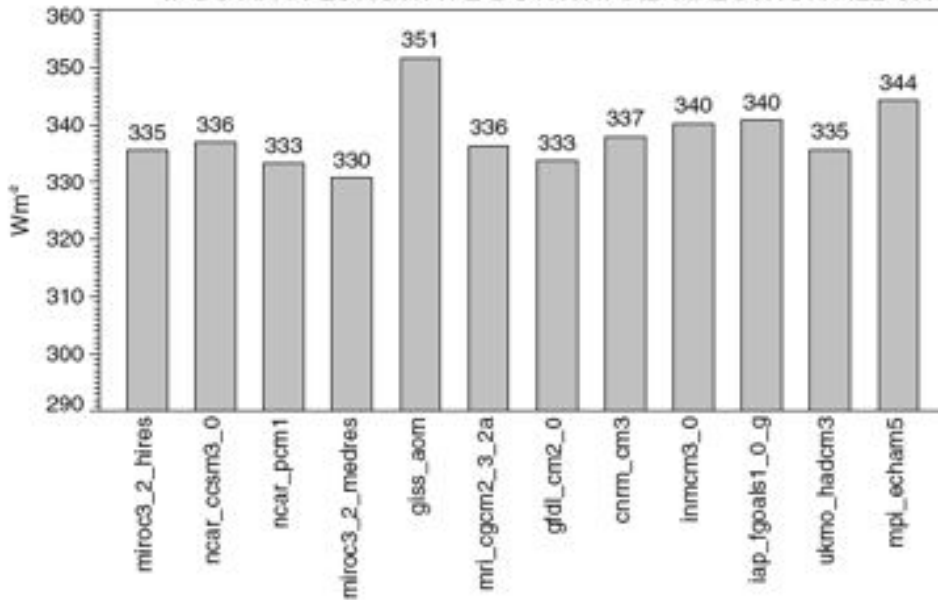


IPCC AR4 : SURFACE NET LW ALL SKY



## Radiation budgets in IPCC

IPCC AR4 : LONGWAVE DOWNWARD RADIATION ALL SKY



Wild 2008, Tellus

Fig.1 Monthly averages of longwave downward radiation from two satellite products (ISCCP and GEWEX) and different GCMs in the IPCC AR4.

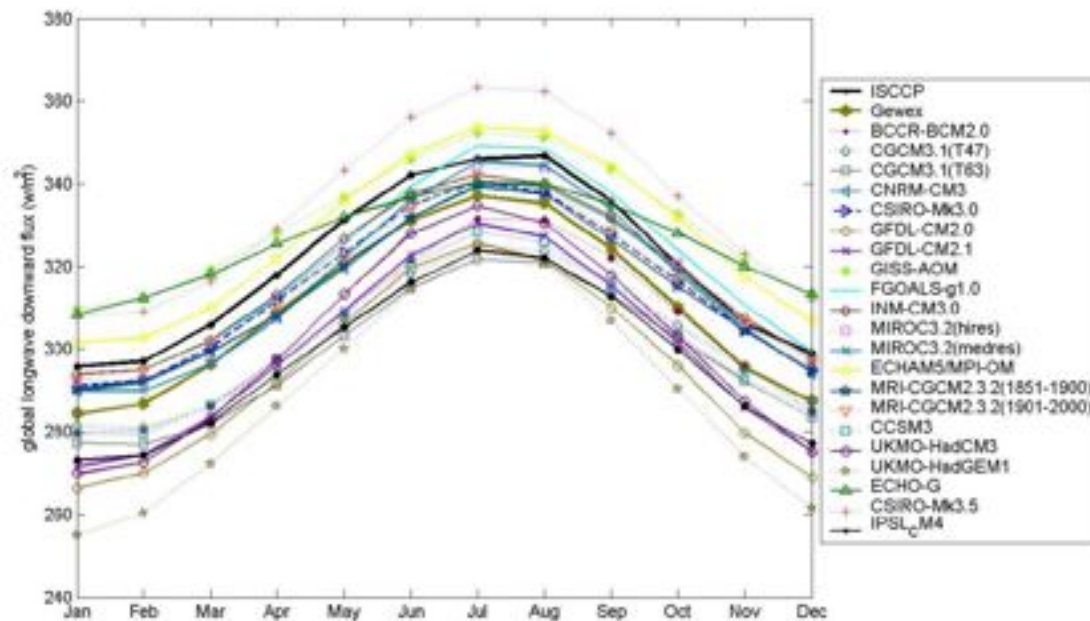
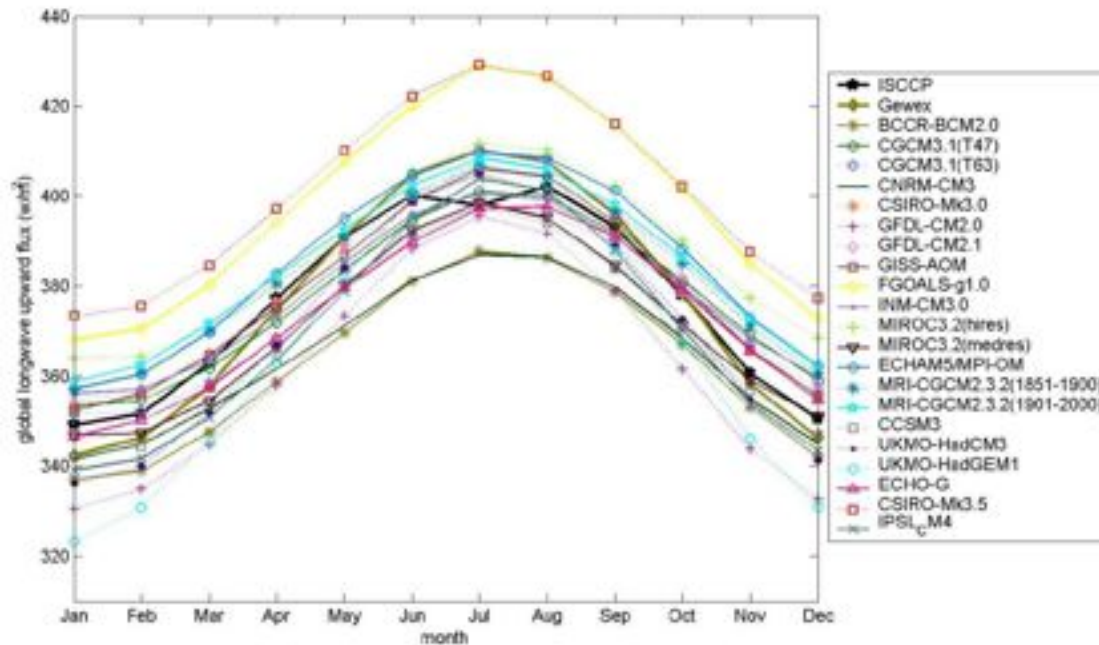


Fig.2 Monthly averages of longwave upwelling radiation from two satellite products (ISCCP and GEWEX) and different GCMs in the IPCC AR4.

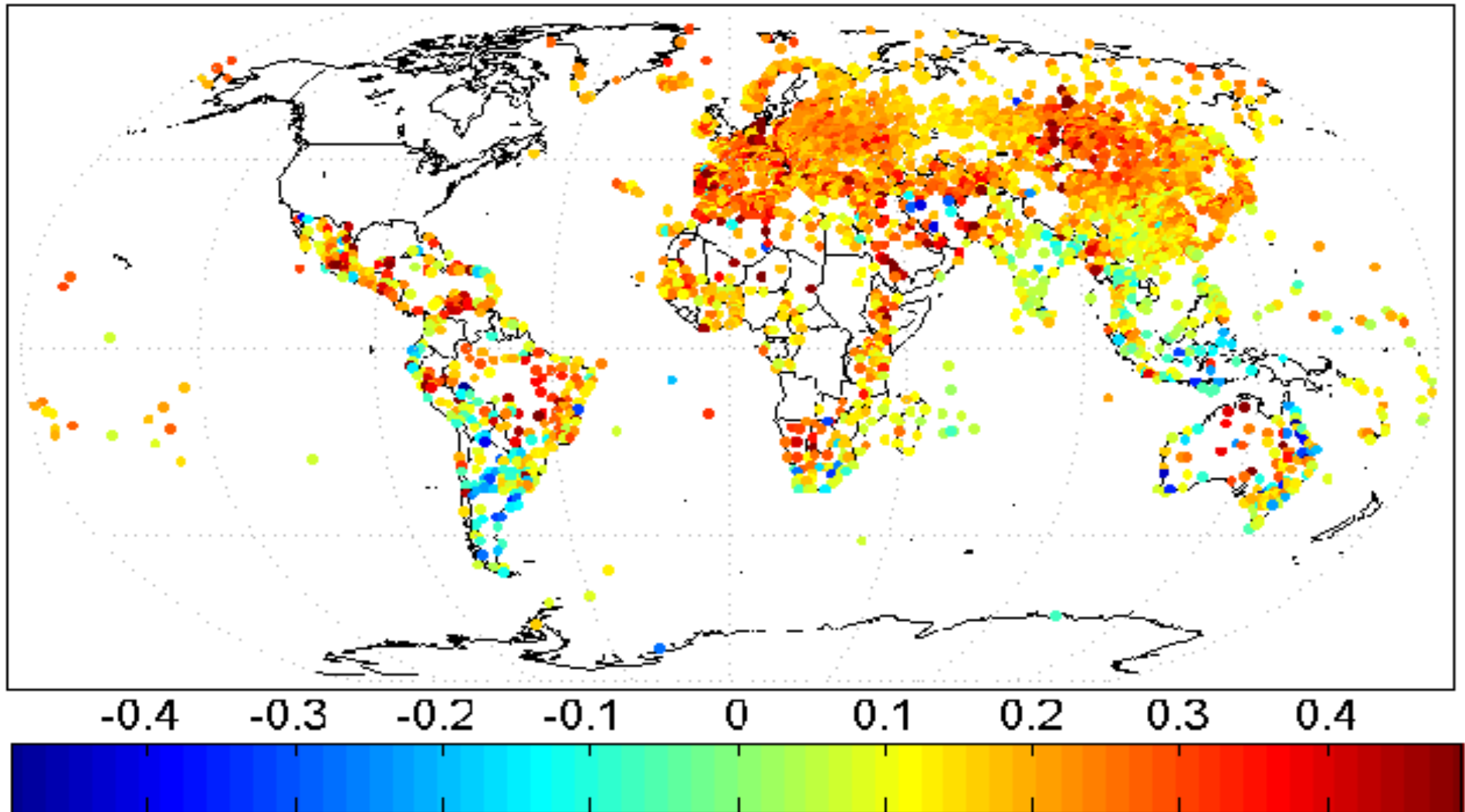




## Estimation of downward longwave radiation

- 1). Empirical methods
- 2). Calculating downward flux using atmospheric profiles
- 3). Calculating downward flux from TOA radiance directly

## Trend in Downward Longwave Radiation ( $W m^{-2} ya^{-1}$ )



Linear trend of daily ( $L_d$ ) over 3200 global weather stations where data are available for at least 300 months (25 years) during the period of 1973-2008.

Wang, K., and S. Liang, (2009), Global atmospheric downward longwave radiation under all-sky conditions from 1973 to 2008, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, 114, D19101, doi:10.1029/2009JD011800

# Estimating longwave downward radiation from MODIS

## Physical Method



♣ Using MODIS Profiles & MODTRAN4

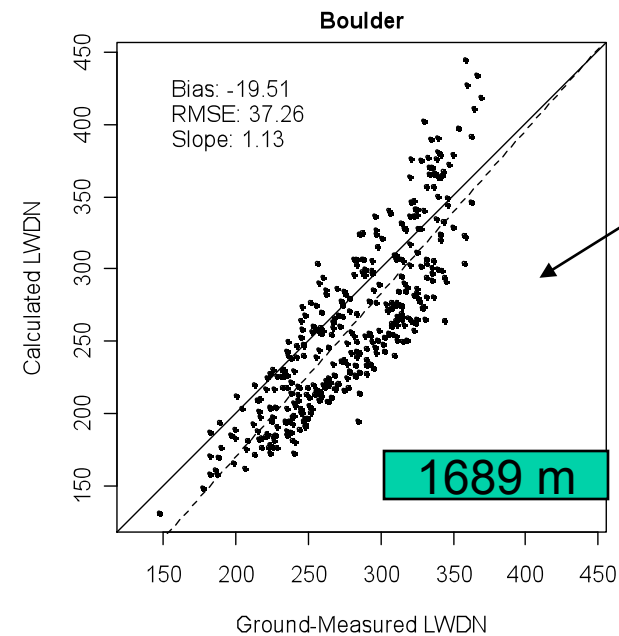
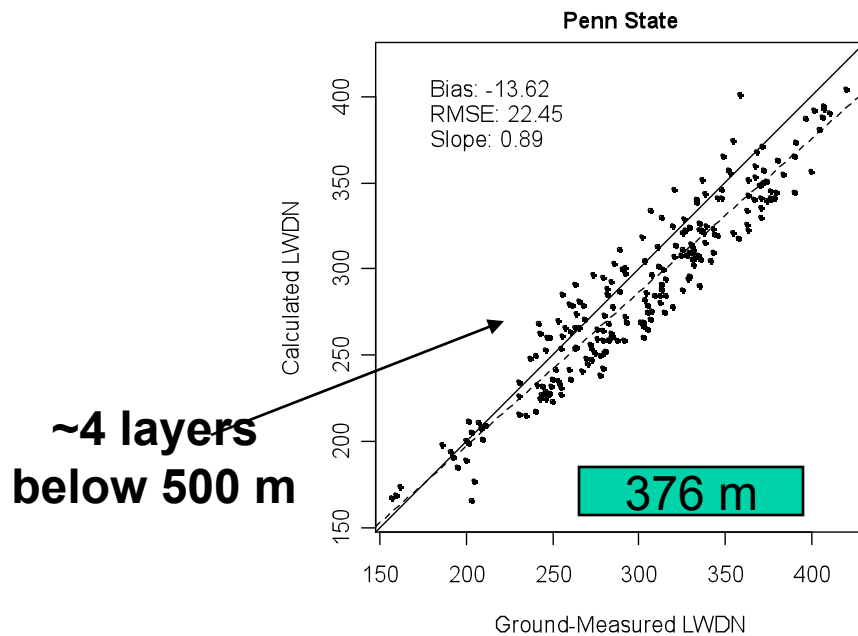
♣ Problems:

→ LWDN dominated by near surface temp. & moisture

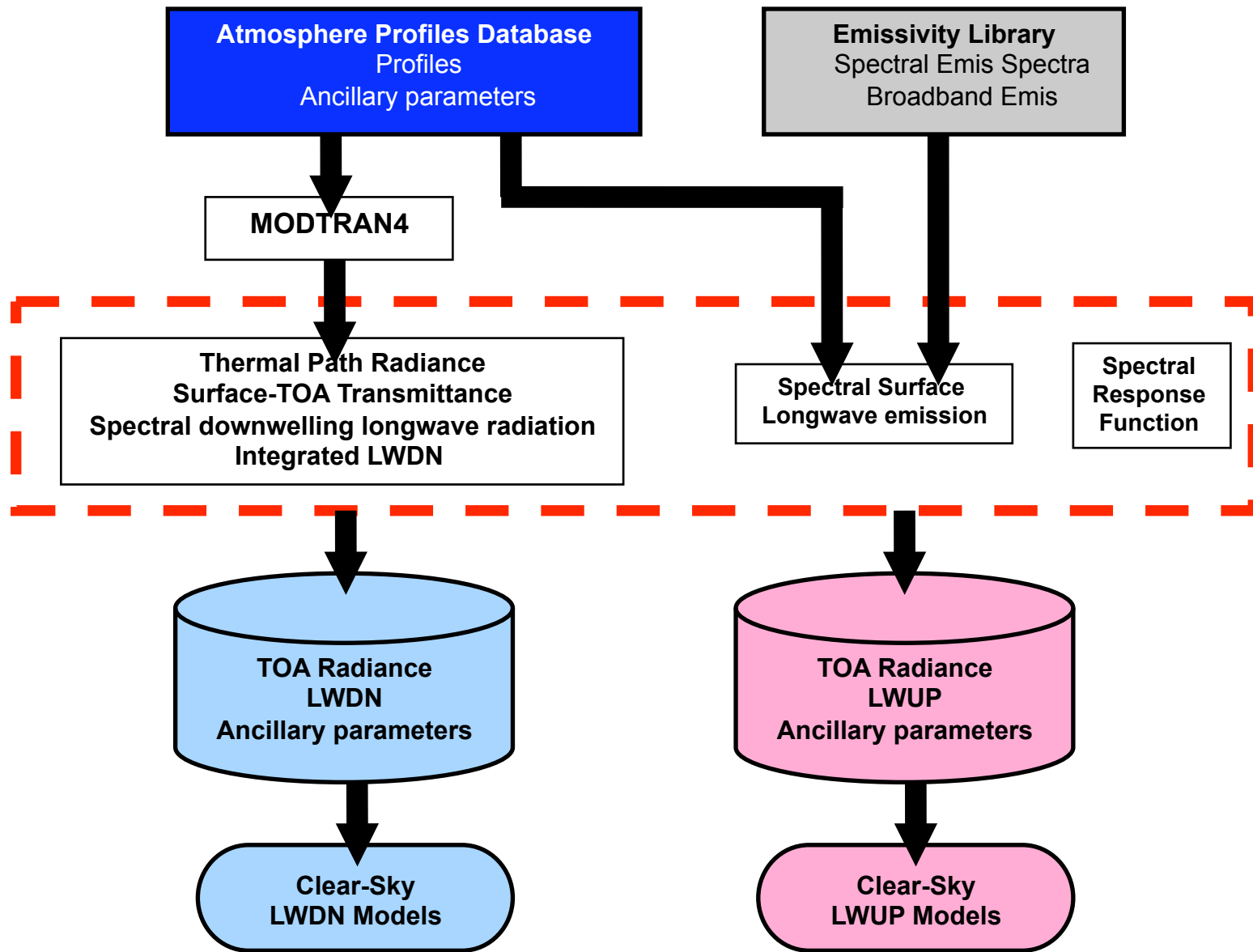
→ MODIS profiles are coarse (20 levels)

- 1000, 950, 920, 850, 800, 700, 620, 500, 400, 300, 250, 200, 150, 100, 70, 50, 30, 20, 10, 5 hPa

→ Large errors, especially over high elevation sites



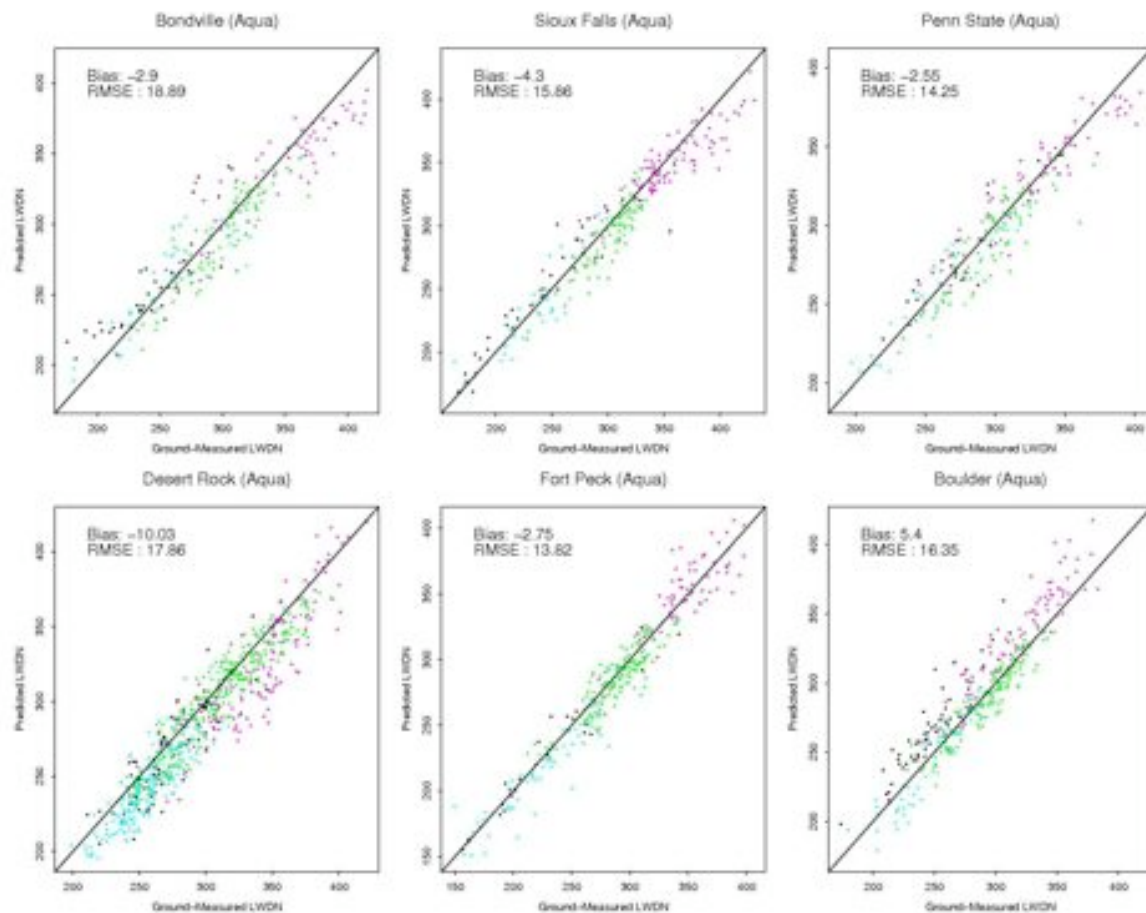




**Framework of Hybrid Methods**



# Validation



♣ Results similar to Terra

♣ Smaller RMSEs in Aqua-derived

→ Smaller systematic errors in Aqua (*Liu et al., 2006*)

→ *Diff. overpass times*  
→ *diff. atmospheric conditions*

**Avg. RMSE: 17.60 W/m<sup>2</sup>**  
**Avg. Bias: -0.40 W/m<sup>2</sup>**

day/fallwinter
night/fallwinter
day/springsummer
night/springsummer

Wang, W. & S. Liang, (2009), Estimating High-Spatial Resolution Clear-Sky Land Surface Downwelling and Net Longwave Radiation from MODIS Data, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 113:745-754



# Estimating longwave upwelling radiation (LWUP)

## (1) Temperature-Emissivity Method

$$F_u = \varepsilon \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} \pi B(T_s) d\lambda + (1 - \varepsilon) F_d$$

$T_s$  MODIS LST (MOD11\_L2)

$\varepsilon$  Broadband emis (derived from MOD11B1)

## (2) Hybrid Method

♣ Following the framework for hybrid methods

➔ Emissivity Effect

- UCSB Emissivity Library (59 spectra)
- ~2000 MODIS Profile

♣ Statistical Analysis

➔ Linear SULR Models ( $R^2: 0.990$ ,  $RMSE < 5.42 \text{ W/m}^2$ )

$$F_u = a_0 + a_1 L_{29} + a_2 L_{31} + a_3 L_{32}$$

➔ Artificial Neural Network (ANN) Models

( $R^2: 0.996$   $RMSEs < 3.7 \text{ W/m}^2$ )

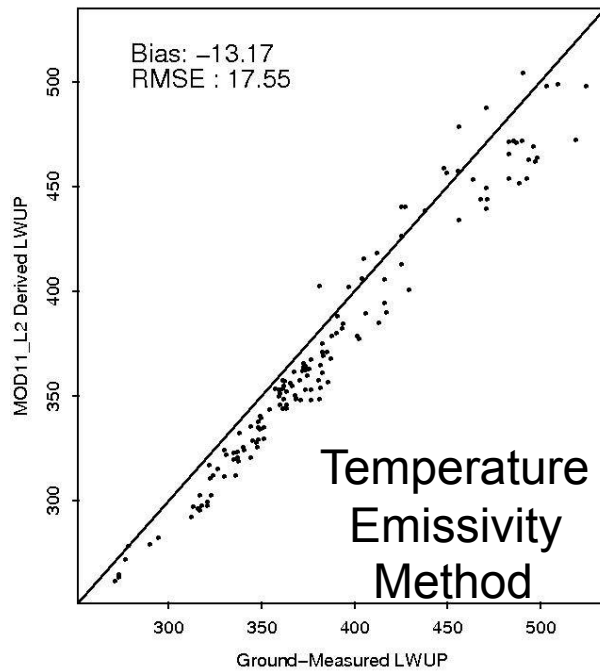
5 Models in total

$\theta$	Model
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$15^\circ$	
$30^\circ$	
$45^\circ$	
$60^\circ$	

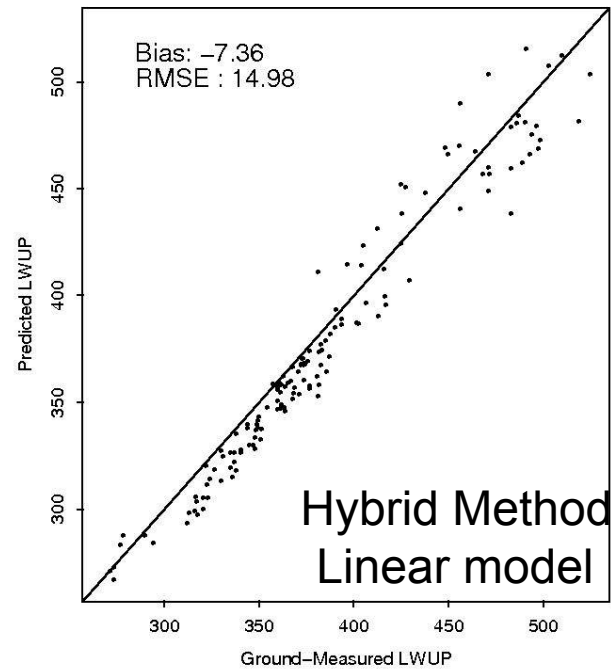


# Estimating LWUP: validation

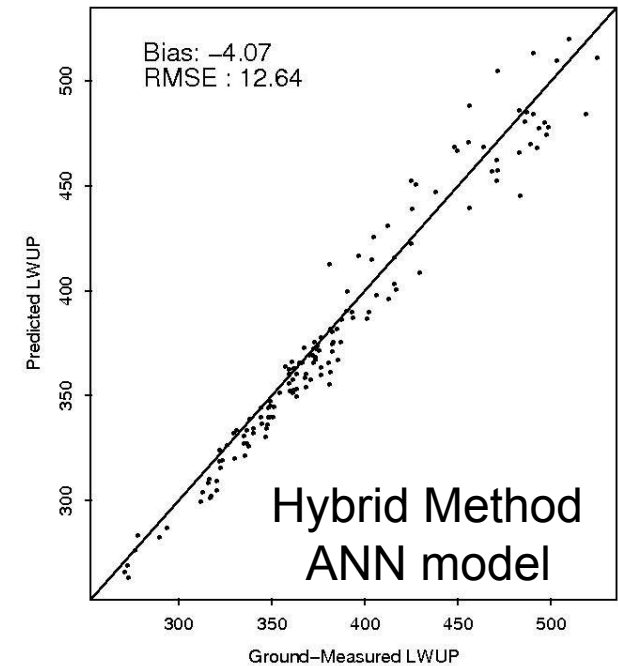
Bondville, IL (Aqua)



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## Bondville, IL (cropland, elevation 213 m)

- Smaller RMSEs in Aqua
- Hybrid method outperforms temperature-emissivity method
- ANN model outperforms linear model

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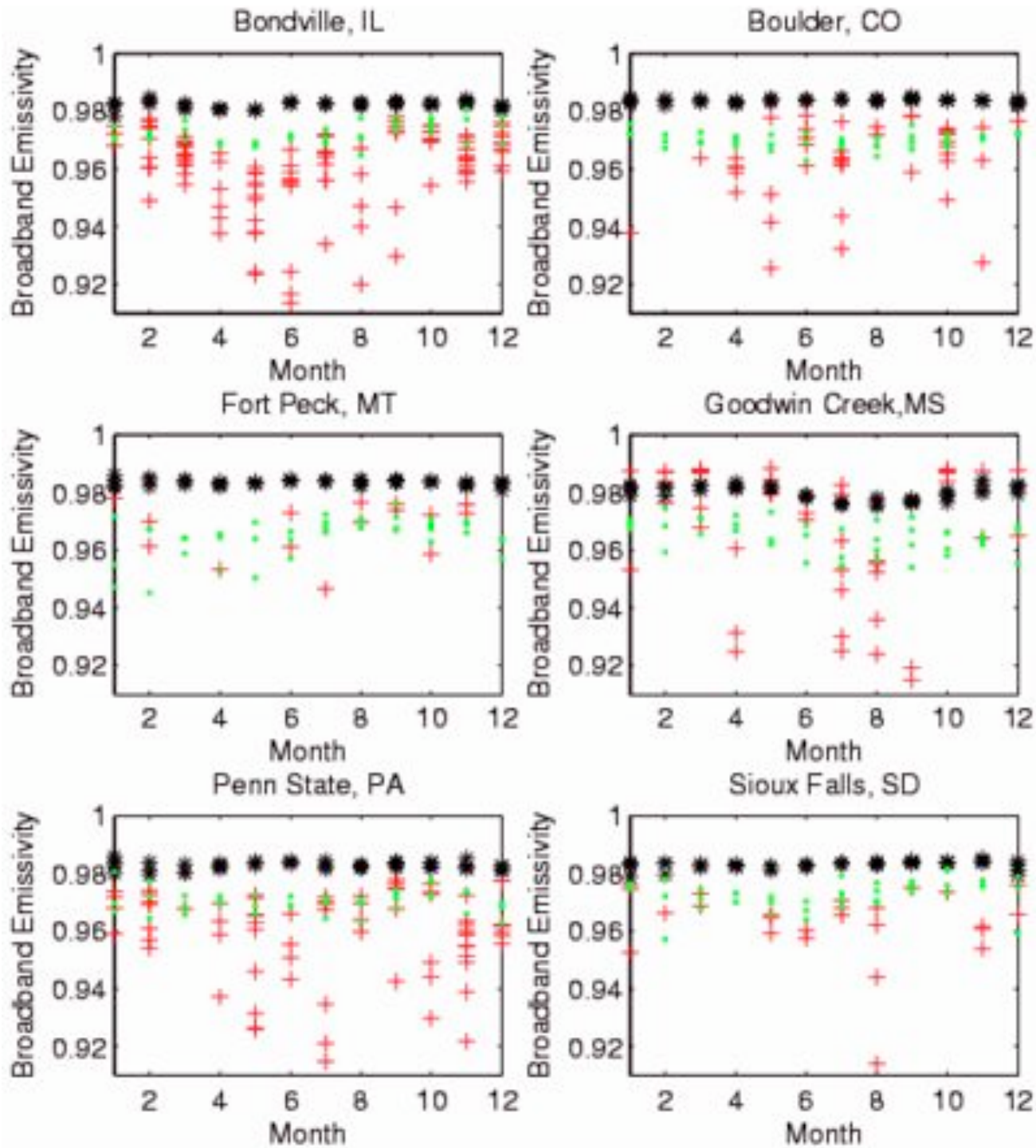


## MODIS LST validation

### Summary of validation results

Site	MOD11_L2 (°C)		MOD07_L2 (°C)	
	Bias (MOD-GT)	RMSE	Bias (MOD-GT)	RMSE
Brookings	0.62	1.63	1.30	1.97
Audubon	0.72	1.31	2.98	3.74
Canaan Valley	0.04	1.42	1.20	2.08
Black Hills	0.15	1.48	3.14	4.10
Fort Peck	-2.19	2.51	0.34	2.70
Hainich	-2.21	2.51	-2.12	2.58
Tharandt	-3.23	3.44	-3.38	3.73
Bondville	-3.09	3.41	-0.16	2.50

Wang, W., **S. Liang**, , and T. Meyer, (2008), Validating MODIS land surface temperature products, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 112:623-635



Broadband emissivity calculated from MODIS Collection 4 (green dot) and Collection 5 (black star) monthly emissivity products and ASTER daily emissivity products (red plus sign) at a resolution of  $0.05^\circ$  at six SURFRAD sites.

Wang, K., and S. Liang, (2009), Evaluation of ASTER and MODIS land surface temperature and emissivity products using surface longwave radiation observations at SURFRAD sites, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 113:745-754



# Summary

- ♣ human activities have greatly impacted land surface radiation budgets
- ♣ There is still a tremendous amount of variations in model simulations
- ♣ High-resolution satellite remote sensing can help determine land surface radiation budget more accurately



Thank  you !