

Toward the continuous estimation of daily evapotranspiration at crop scale.





APPLICATION

Assimilation

We have conducted **observation system simulation experiment** to evaluate the capacities of the proposed assimilation method and test revisit impact on ET simulations.

- Simulated ET. The uncertainty represents the set of possible ET chronicles as a function of the satellite revisit timing. • with frequency of 16 days : • with frequency of 4 days:
- Evapotranspiration simulated by data assimilation as a function of observation timing and frequency [mm/d]
 - \rightarrow The higher the revisit frequency, the less uncertainty there is in the simulation, but the more weight the measurement uncertainty has in the total uncertainty estimate.



→ The assimilation enable to characterize properly ancillary data of ET as irrigation process.

Downscaling with SEN-ET method

TIR data from the Sentinel-3 satellites (1 km resolution) are sharpened using images acquired by high-resolution optical sensors on board of the Sentinel-2 satellites (20 m).

Sentinel-2 true colour composites (top row) and instantaneous latent heat fluxes derived using Sentinel-3 LST, DMS sharpened Sentinel-3 LST and Landsat-8 LST using images acquired on the morning of the 17th of May 2017 (from Guzinsky and Nieto, 2019)



Guzinsky and Nieto (2019) show that in an agricultural context the ET obtained using the two data sources is of comparable accuracy when compared against flux tower measurements.

PERSPECTIVES

 \rightarrow Characterize the uncertainty of analyzed ET with downscaled data assimilation.

 \rightarrow Evaluate the reliability of the approach in a wider range of climatic and vegetation conditions.

→ In order to apply the method on a large scale, the assimilation scheme will have to be optimized to reduce computation time and data volume.

→ Improve the SEN-ET methodology by further constraining the sharpening through the use of sentinel-1 radar data. This should limit the actual uncertainties of the ET estimates.