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Cartography of irrigated crops and estimation of biophysical variables with high temporal and spatial resolution images

Perspective of Sentinel-2 mission

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→ new perspectives for cartography and crop modeling

MAISEO project :

→ Help water managers to estimate and anticipate water needs in order to optimize water supplies at large scale (watershed)

CALVADOVS project :

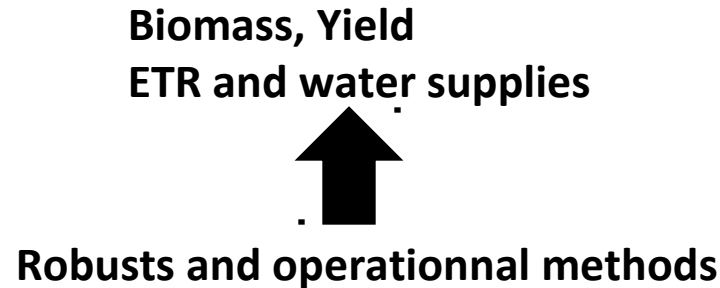
→ Evaluation of validity and robustness of methods for estimation of biophysical variables with HSTR images
= Operational context

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- Crops yield

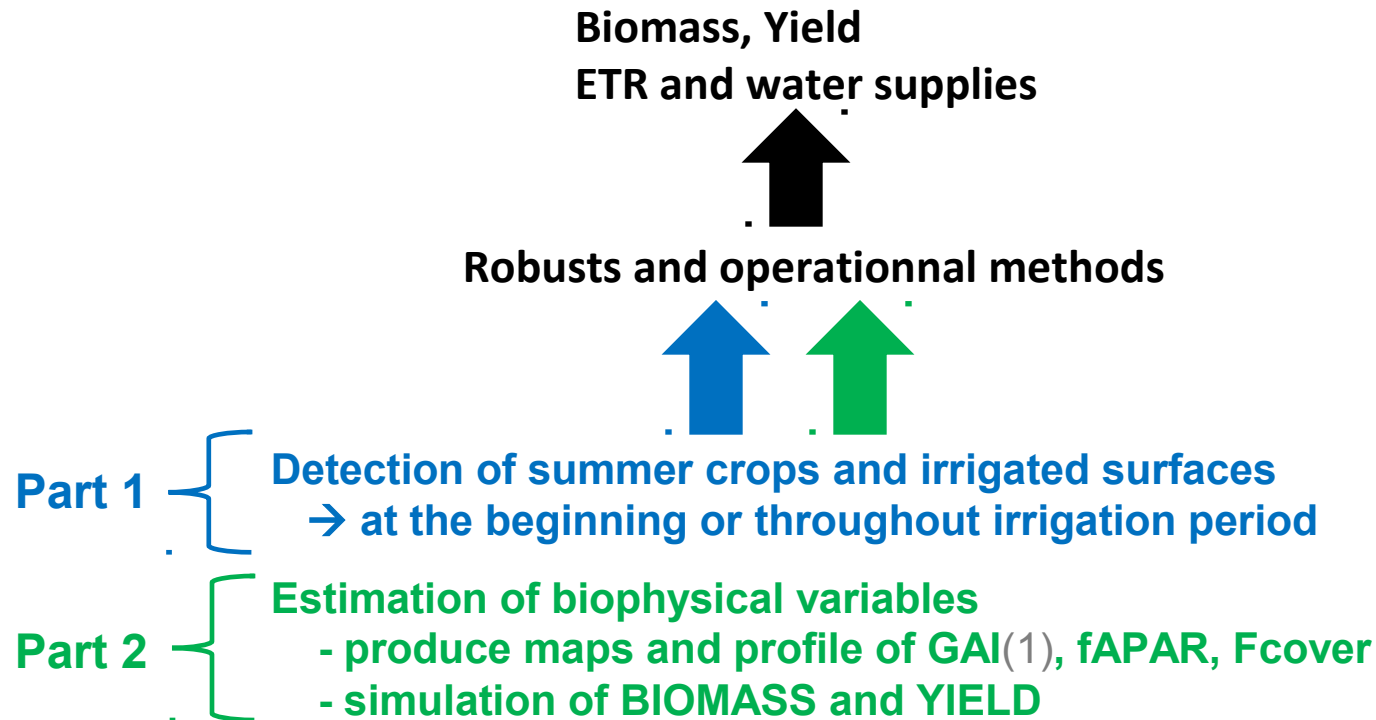


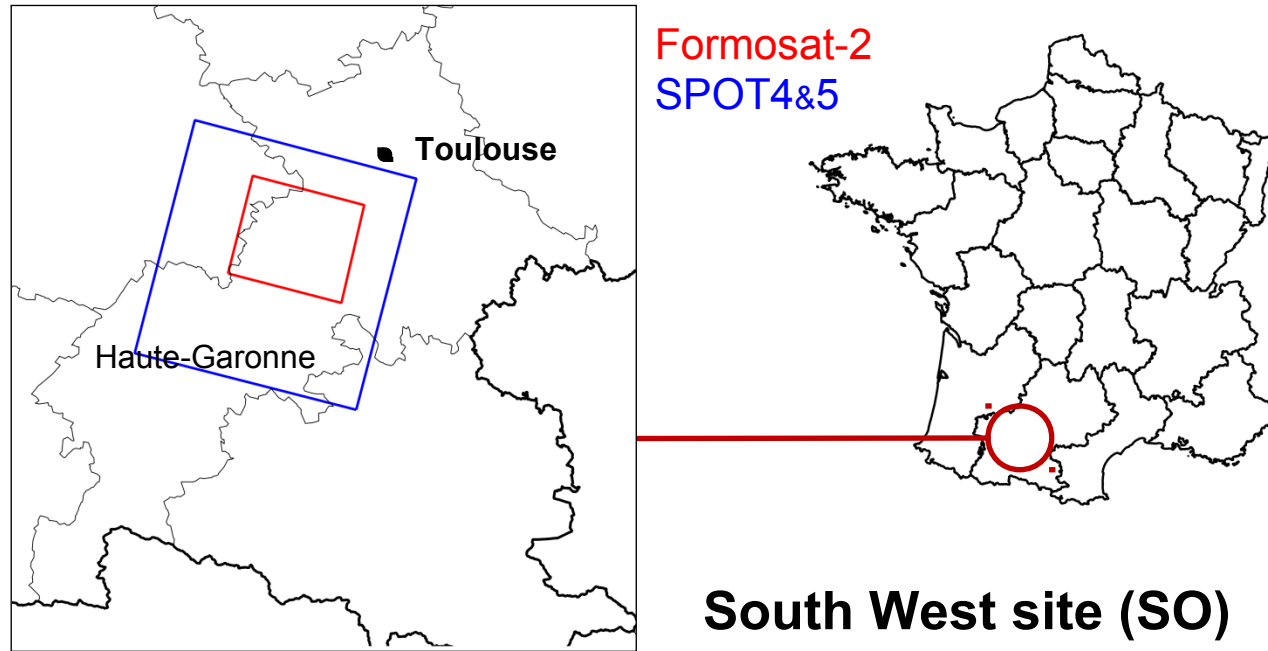
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Satellite data 2009 :

15 images Formosat-2 and **6** images SPOT4&5 - From march to october

Field data : RPG = annual land cover for crops

→ Agriculture GIS used for the Common Agricultural Policy

Available long time after crops period

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- Extract total crops previous year → Crop mask
- Multidate thresholding with NDVI → summer crops extraction
3 Formosat-2 images used (may and june)



Crop mask



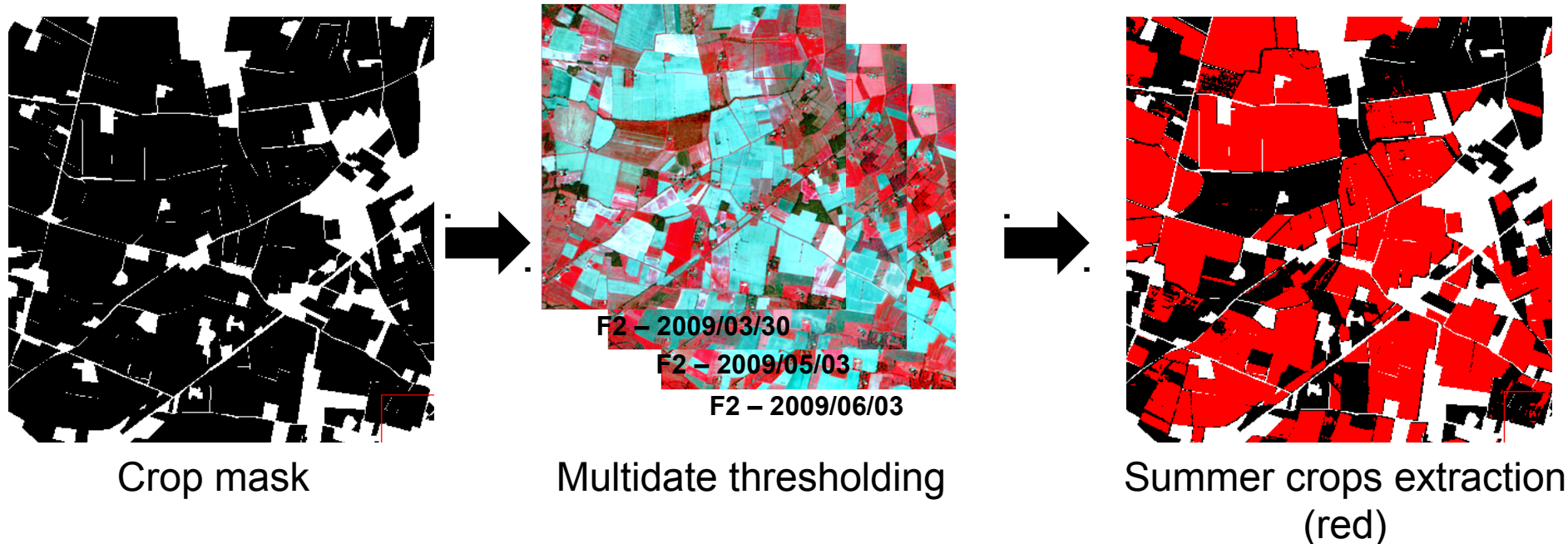
Multidate thresholding



Summer crops extraction
(red)

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Validation made with RPG 2009
98.32% from ~15.000ha well extracted

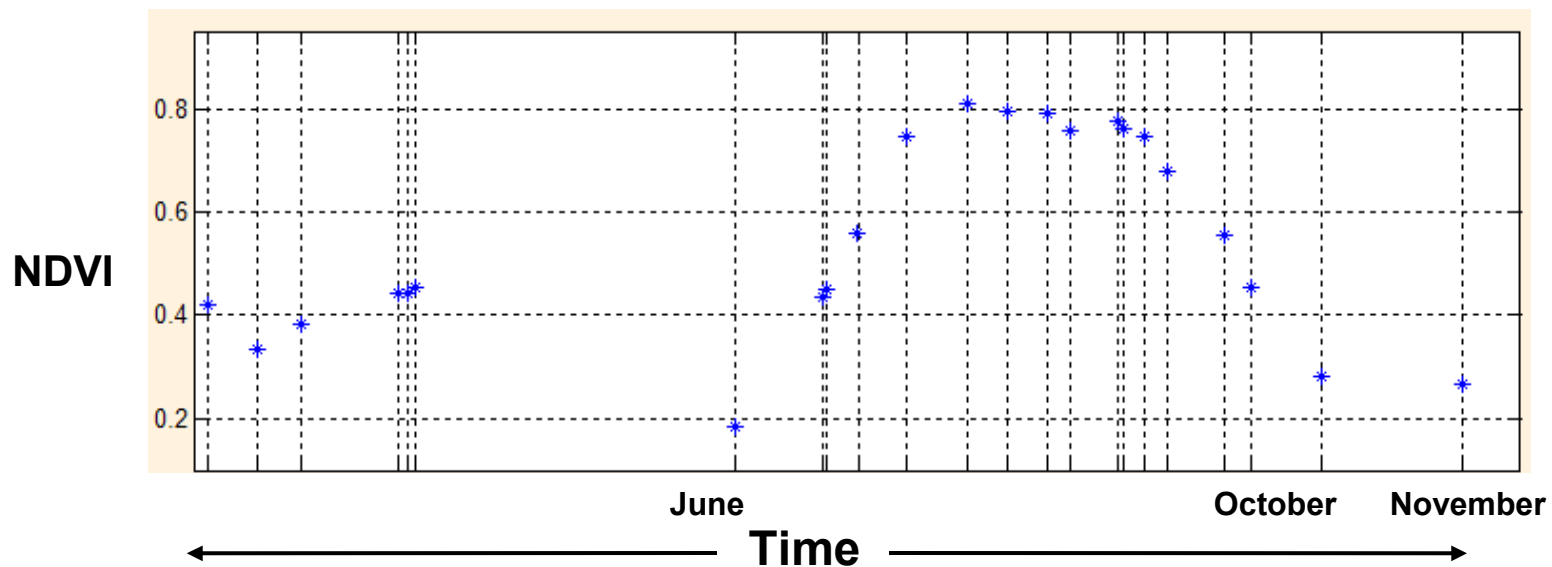
→ Summer crops extraction is effective from june

1 - Early detection of summer crops

2 - Discrimination of irrigated areas

→ Summer crops phenological indicators

NDVI time serie on maize field

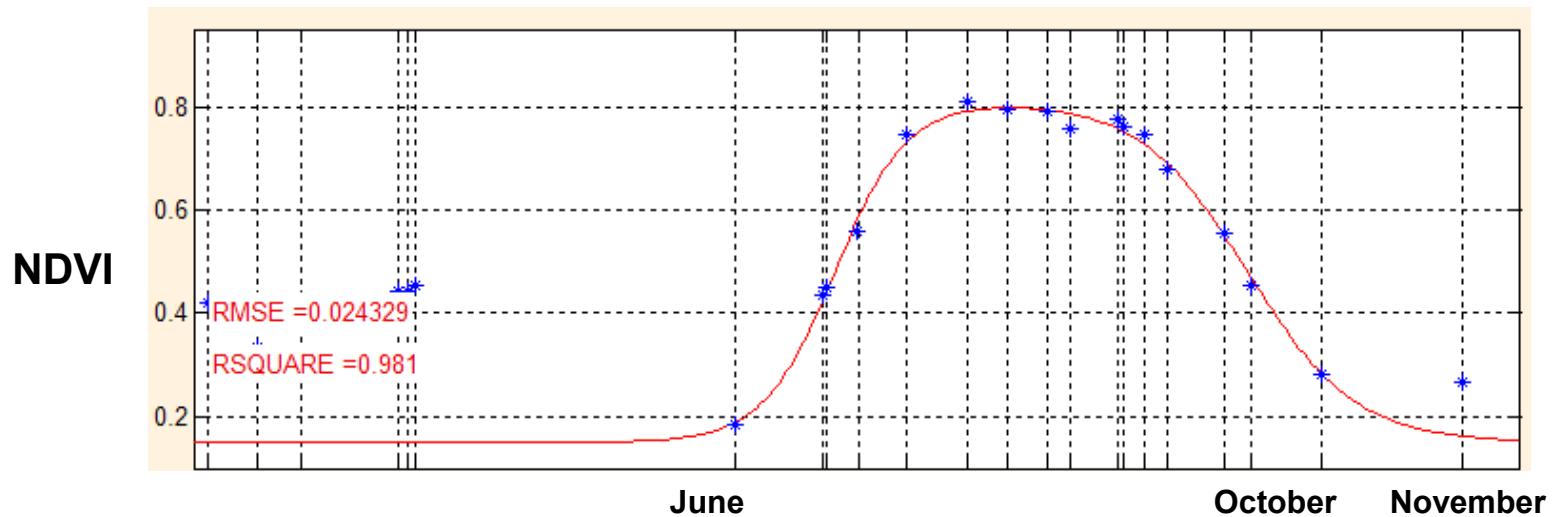


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Interpolation by the double sigmoid (1)

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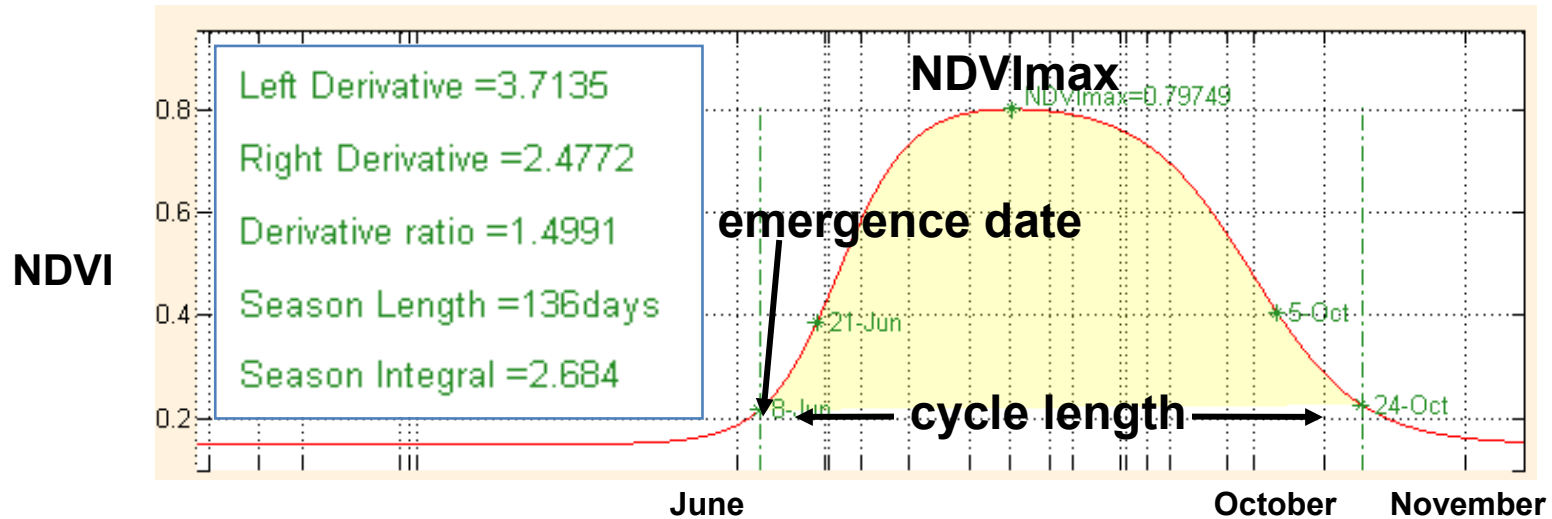
$$(1) \quad NDVI_{I(t)} = NDVI_{min} + (NDVI_{max} - NDVI_{min}) \left\{ \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-mS(t - S))} + \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-mA(t - A))} - 1 \right\}$$

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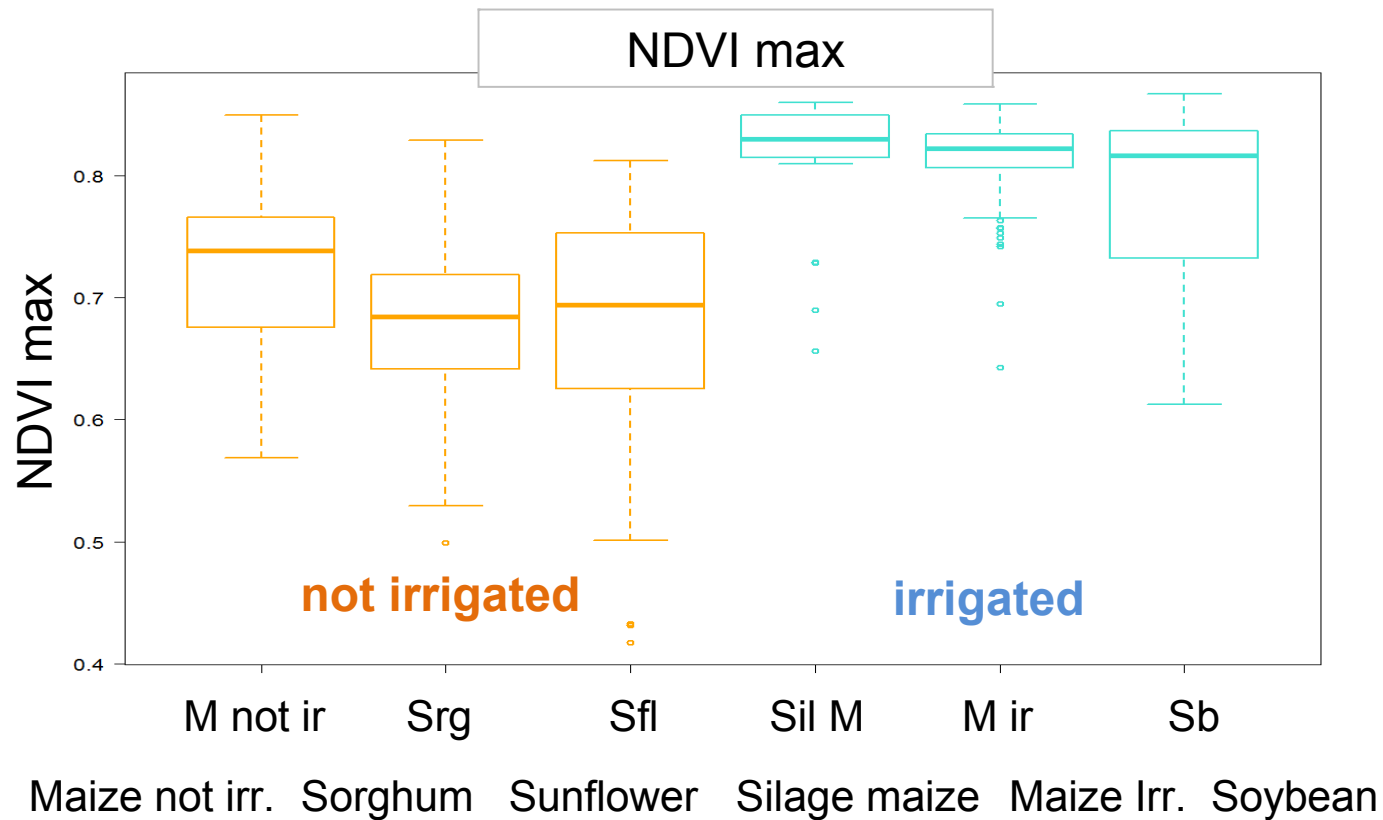
Calculation of indicators

→ emergence date, growth speed, cycle length, NDVImax, NDVI daily accumulation

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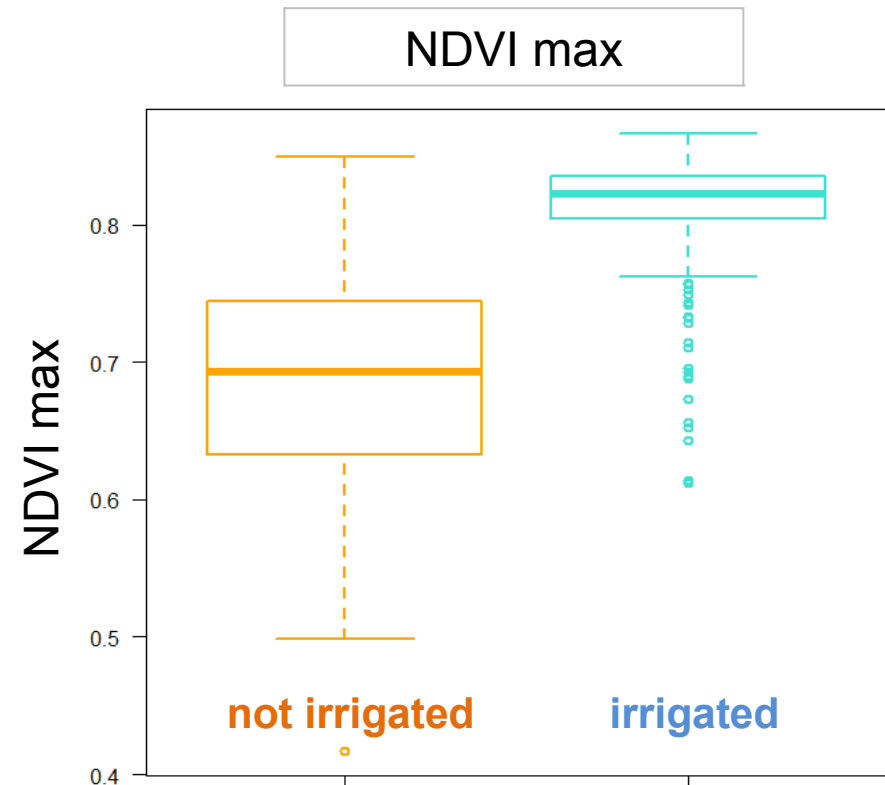
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Classification with NDVImax thresholding

→ Validation on test plots

198 irrigated plots, 83.8% extracted

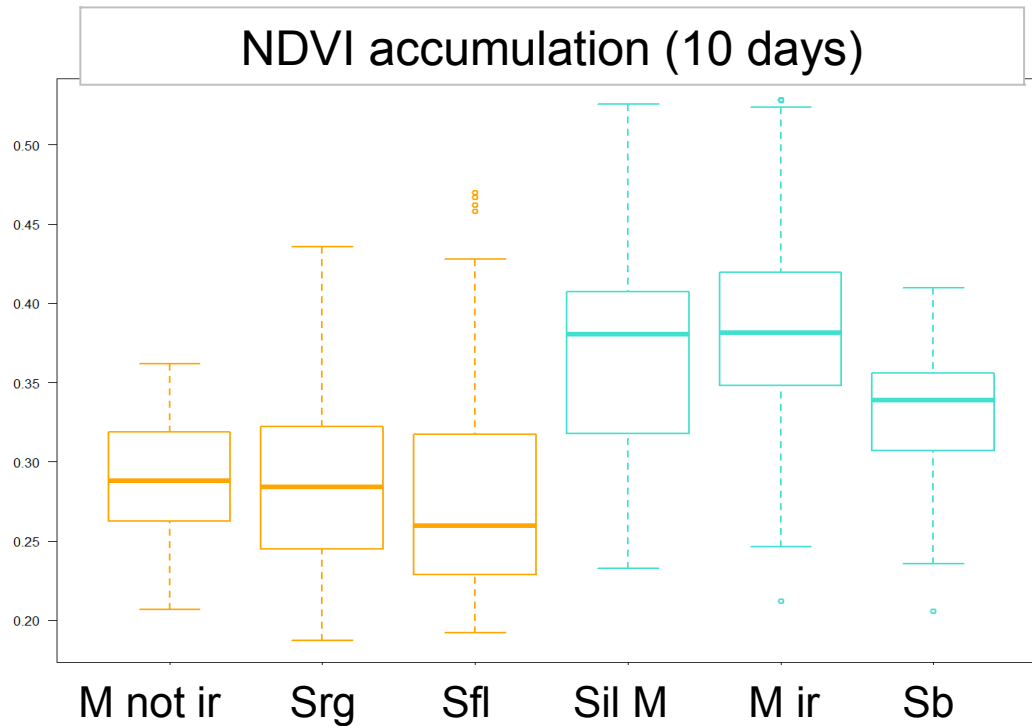
353 not irrigated plots, 96% extracted



Effective method, but after the end of irrigation period

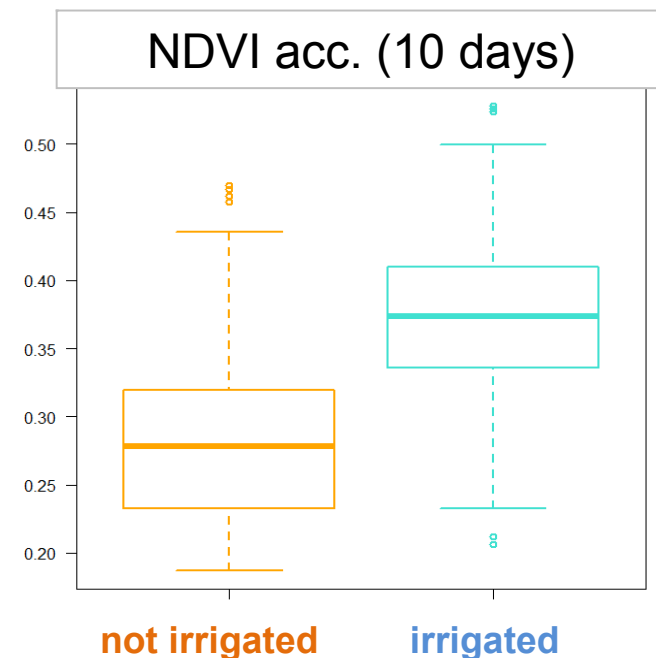
→ Entire growth cycle is necessary

Detection of irrigated surfaces from the beginning of season



10 days NDVI accumulation
→ from the emergence date

some indicators can be calculated during the season
→ operational management, near real time



Part 2 : Biophysical variables - Dataset and study area

Satellite data 2013 :

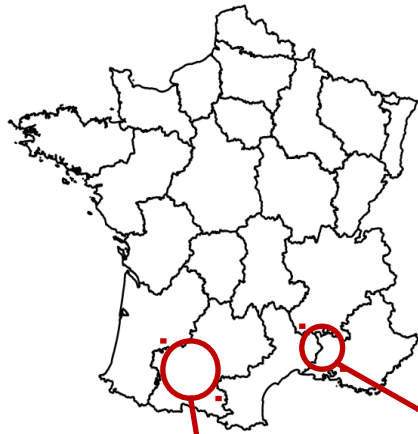
SO → ~25 images from march to october
Formosat2 (8 meter resolution), SPOT4&5,
Landsat8, Deimos

SE → ~25 images from march to september
(SPOT4&5, Landsat7&8)

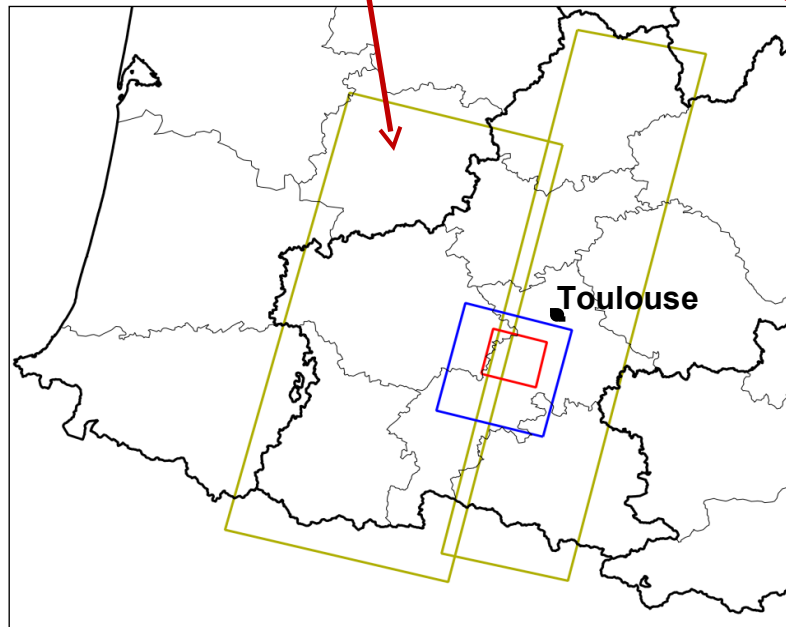
Field data :

- wheat, maize and sunflower (SO)
- irrigated meadows (SE)

Direct measurement of biomass and yield
Indirect measurement of GAI, fAPAR, FCover

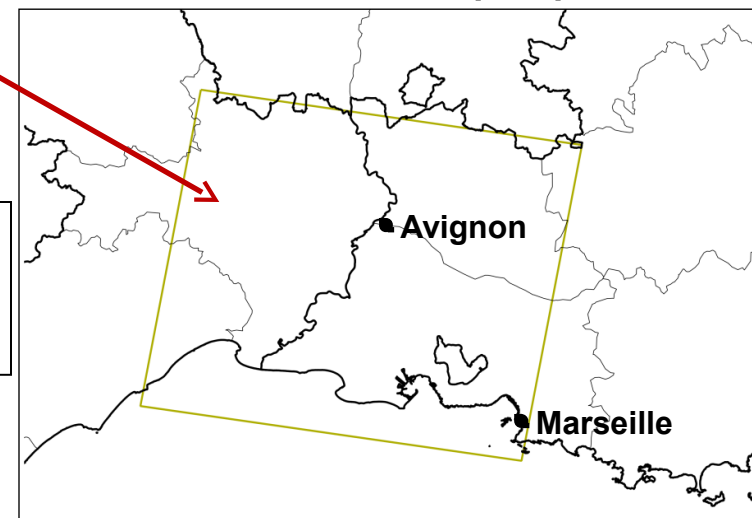


South West (SO)



Formosat-2
SPOT5
SPOT4-Take5

South East (SE)



Estimation of GAI, fAPAR, Fcover : Field campaign 2013

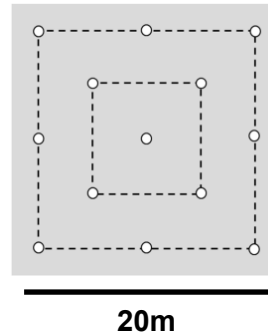
1 - In-situ DHPs acquisition (Digital Hemispheric Photography)



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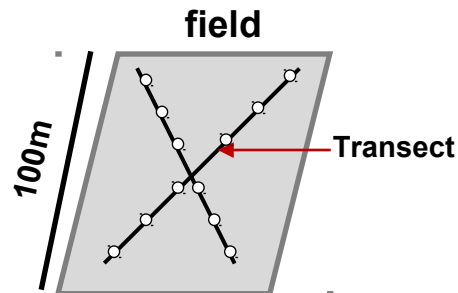
Elementary Sampling Unit (ESU)
→ VALERI protocol (1)

20m x 20m → 12-13 DHPs



South East :

2 transects crossed for fields

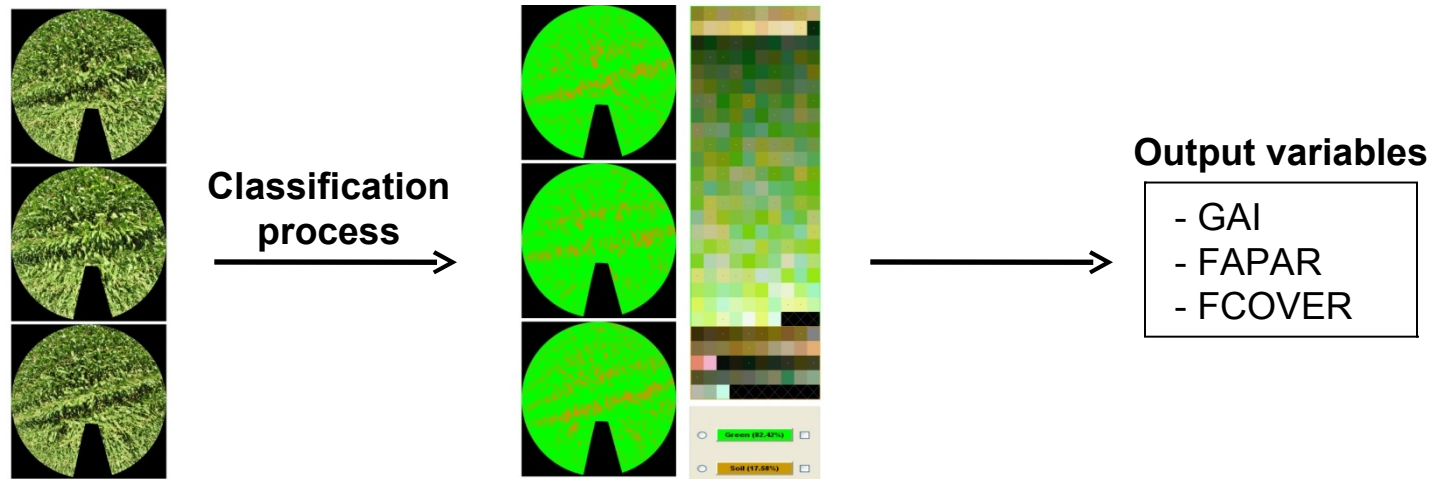


camera fixed on a « pole »
→ Stay above the vegetation

Estimation of GAI, fAPAR, Fcover : Field campaign 2013

1 - In-situ DHPs acquisition

2 – Processing DHPs with Can_Eye software (1)



In-situ data :

Culture	Period	Sampling dates	ESUs
Wheat (SO)	April-July	7	5
Maize (SO)	May-October	8-12	9
Sunflower (SO)	May-September	5-6	11
Irrigated meadow (SE)	February-September	6-15	12

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Estimation of GAI, fAPAR, Fcover : from satellite images

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Comparing in-situ measurements
and satellite estimation of GAI, FAPAR, FCOVER

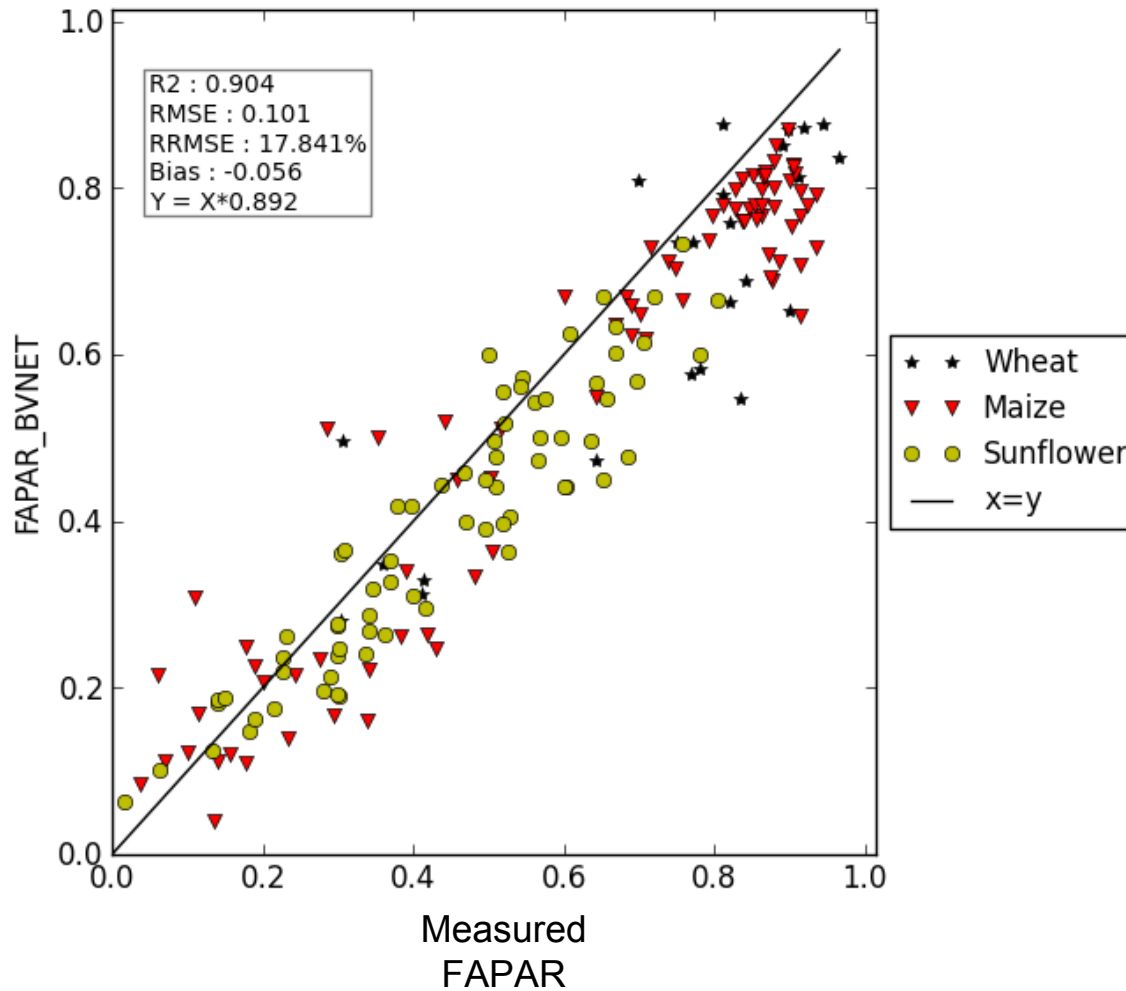
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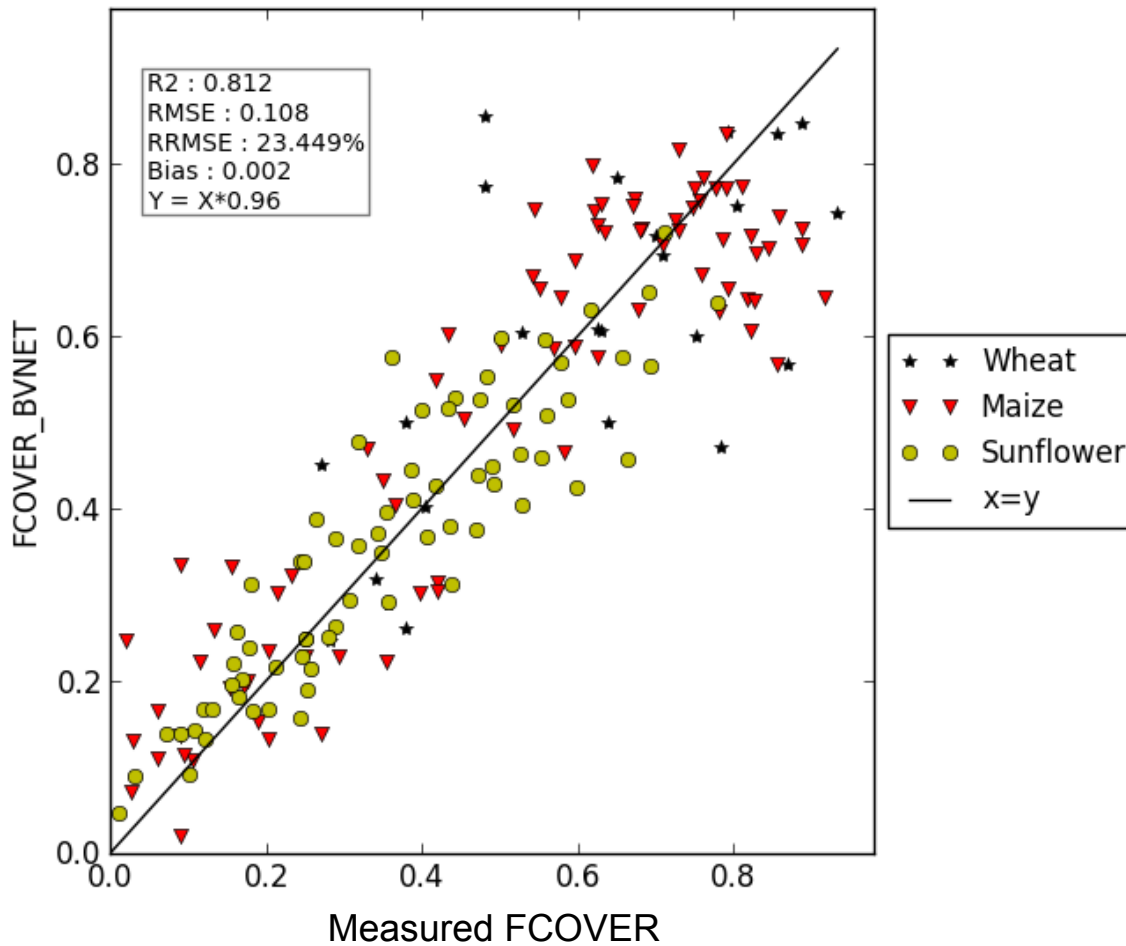
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Validation FAPAR : South West site



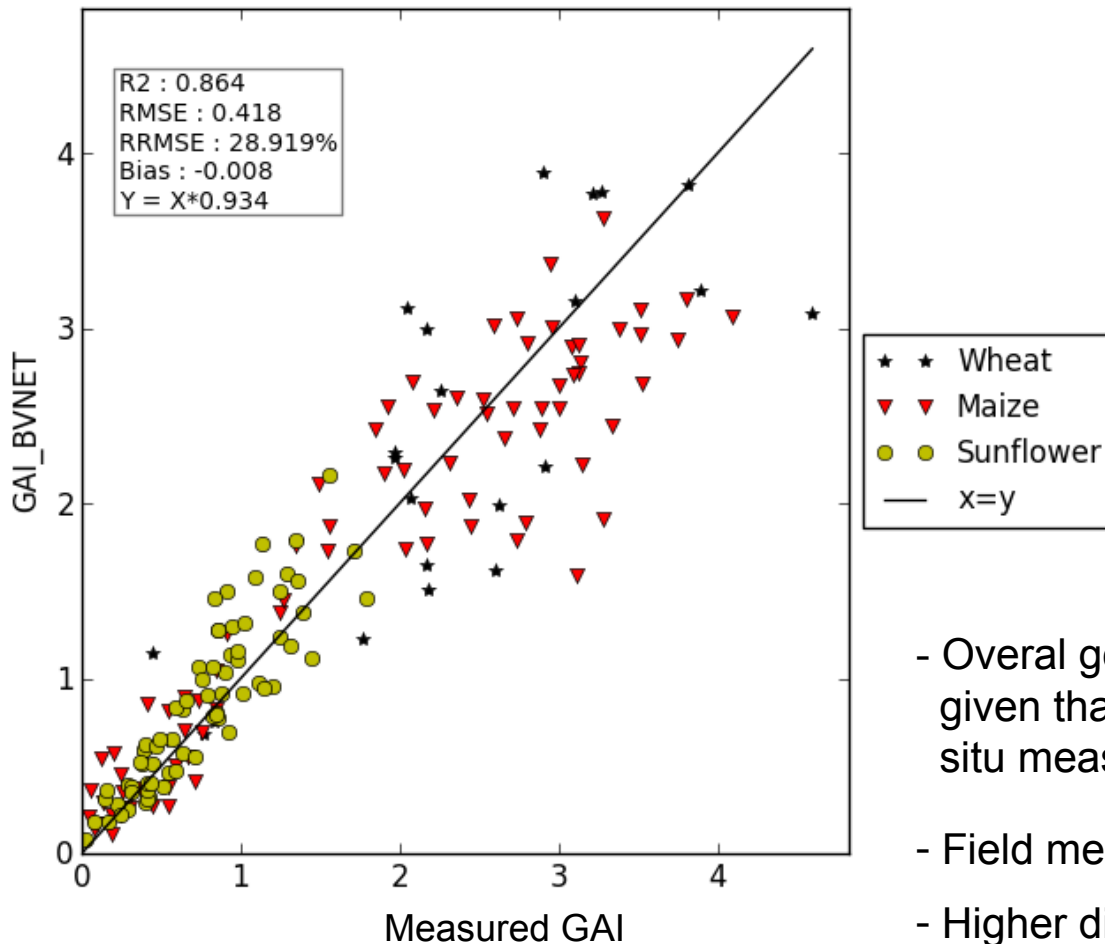
	Culture	R ²	RRMSE
fAPAR	WHEAT	0.74	17.8 %
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Validation FCOVER : South West site



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Fcover	WHEAT	0.47	25.9 %
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GAI	WHEAT	0.68	28.2 %
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	SUNFLOWER	0.79	31.8 %

- Overall good correlation for all crops given that BVNET is not calibrated with in-situ measurement
- Field measurement are sometimes difficult
- Higher dispersion for GAI>2 saturation effect of remote sensing signal

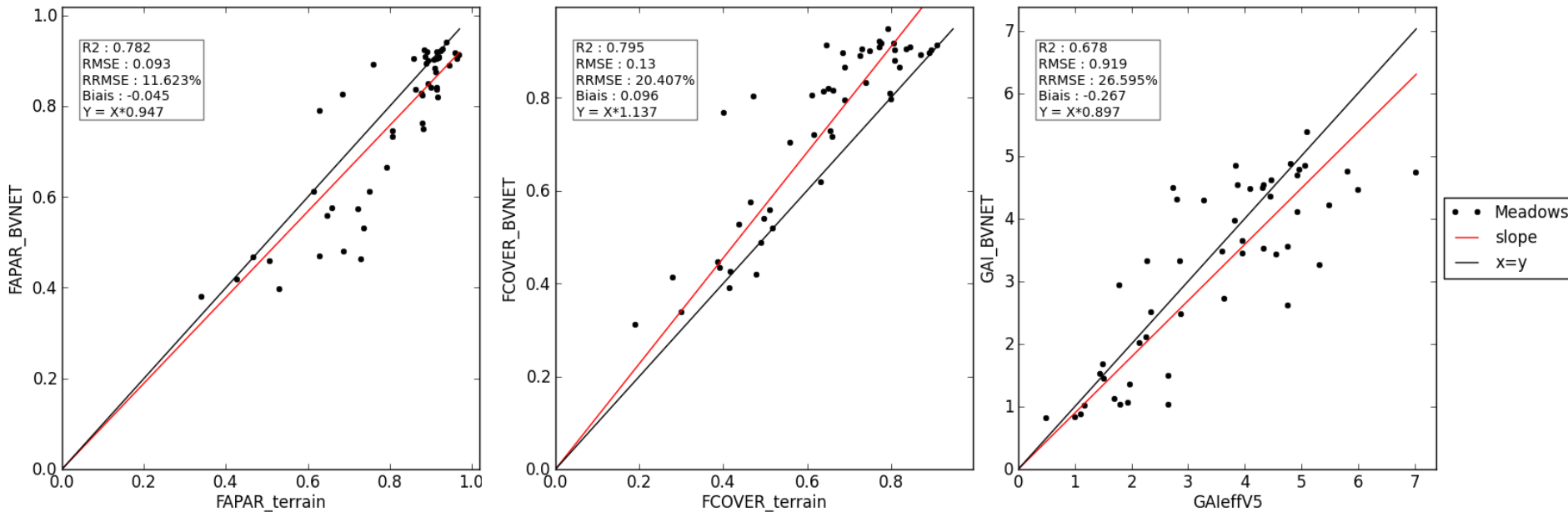
Validation BVNET : South East site

First results

Irrigated meadows

SPOT4 images from april to june

Variable	R ²	RRMSE
FAPAR	0.78	11.6%
FCOVER	0.79	20.4%
GAI	0.68	26.6%



Different dynamic → several harvest a year

Estimation of biomass : Field campaign 2013

Total dry biomass

Measure → 5 samples to 1.6m² each ESU

Culture	Nb. plots	Sampling date
Wheat	11 *	July
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* before harvest (maximum biomass for grains)

** before harvest and during growth cycle

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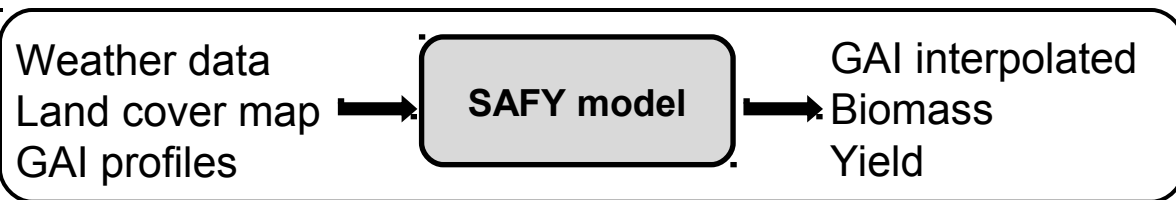
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SAFY

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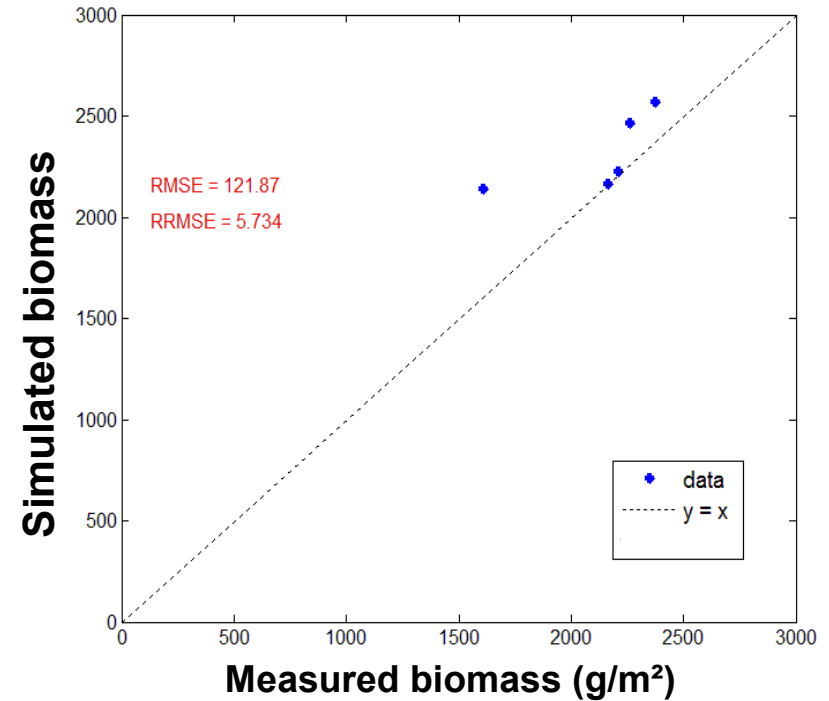
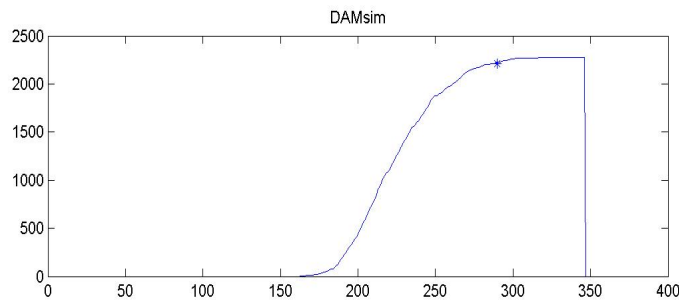
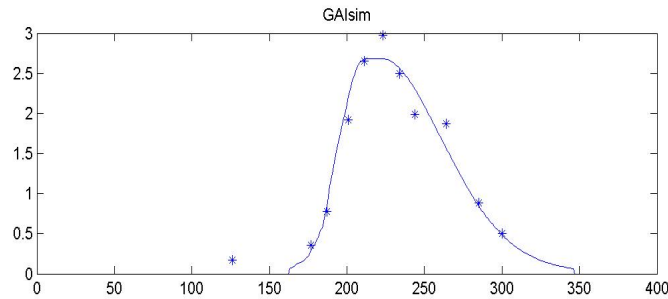
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Validation biomass : South West site

Promising first results : maize biomass, Formosat-2 images



Validation on work for sunflower and wheat

Cartography :

- possible detection of summer crops from june
- good results for discrimination of irrigated and not irrigated crops

Biophysical variables :

- globally good results obtained with BVNET tool for the two sites
- biomass estimation : promising results with SAFY

→ Operational methods in perspective of Sentinel-2 mission

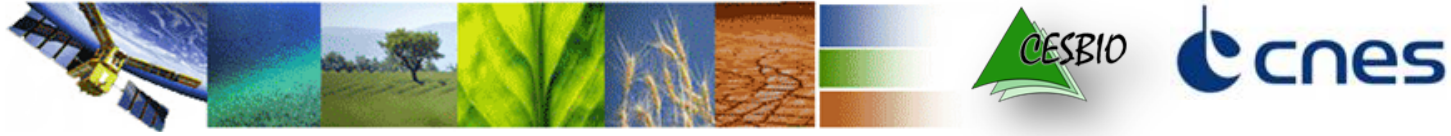
Perspectives

Test methods robustness :

- validate mapping of summer crops and irrigated surfaces with 2013 data
- database of type NDVI profiles (maximum NDVI, NDVI daily accumulation)
- evaluate classification method without ancillary data (RPG)
- BVNET validation with other years

Validation work :

- validation of yield SAFY estimation
- Validation of ETR and water supplies with SAFY+FAO56

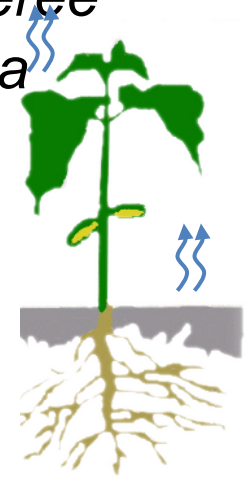


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Méthode FAO-56*

Évapotranspiration : *Quantité d'eau totale transférée du sol vers l'atmosphère par l'évaporation (sol) et par la transpiration (plantes)*



Evapotranspiration de référence (ET_0)

Evapotranspiration réelle (ET_R)

single crop coefficient : $ET_R = K_c \cdot ET_0$

dual crop coefficient : $ET_R = \underbrace{K_e \cdot ET_0}_{\text{Evaporation}} + \underbrace{K_{cb} \cdot ET_0}_{\text{Transpiration}}$

* Allen et al. (1998)

Modèle SAFYE

Modèle à réservoirs

3 couches de sols (surface, racinaire, profonde)

Bilan hydrique :

- Entrées : P, I
- Sorties : ET_R , D

Calcul du stress hydrique

- Impacte la croissance de biomasse

$$\Delta DAM = ELUE \times Ft(Ta) \times \boxed{Wts} \times APAR$$

Avec : F_T = Stress thermique

Wts = Stress hydrique

$APAR = FAPAR \times \varepsilon_c \times Rg$

→ Stress hydrique découplé de la ELUE (\neq SAFY)

