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Interacting Scales in Biogeochemistry

Biosphere

global biogeochemistry



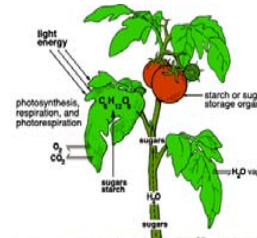
evolution

disturbance and succession
storms, fire



Ecosystems

carbon allocation
and growth



geographical
distribution of
vegetation types

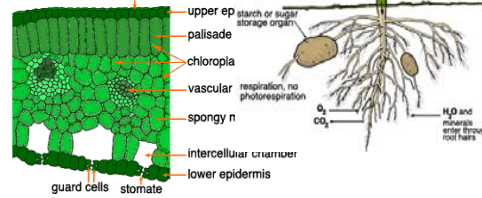
Plants

plant seasonality



Leaves

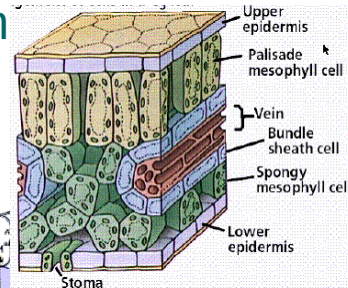
plant
metabolism



competition for resources
and ecological strategies

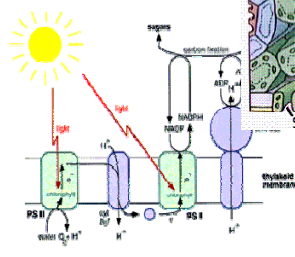
Cells

water- and
nutrient budget



Molecules

photosynthesis



Seconds Minutes Hours Years Decades Centuries

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Some ecosystem services



food production



slope stability



tourist attraction



fire prevention



water storage



biodiversity



pollination



fibre production



fodder production



flood protection



carbon sequestration



beauty



recreation



stabilising micro-climate



game reserve



shelter for life stock

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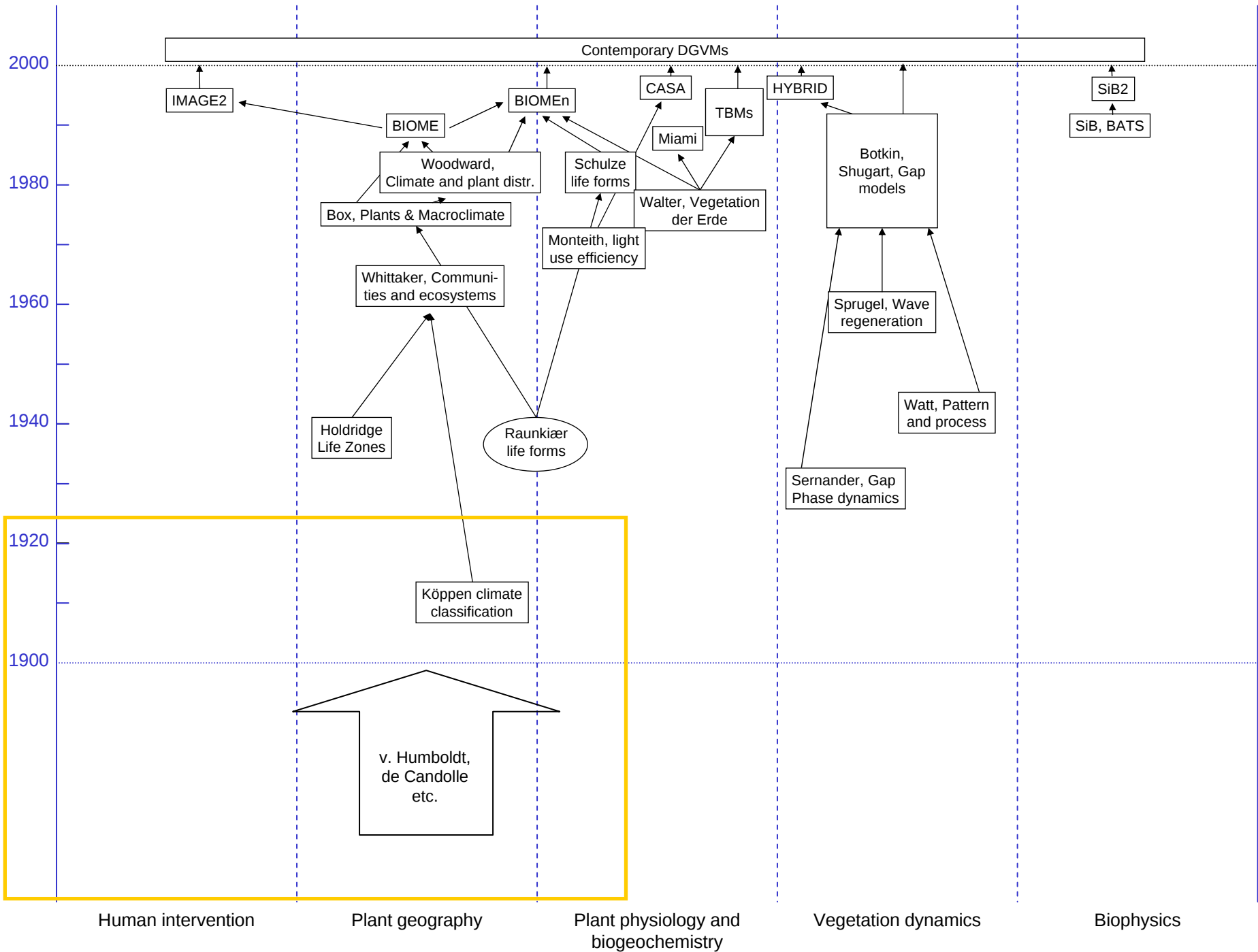
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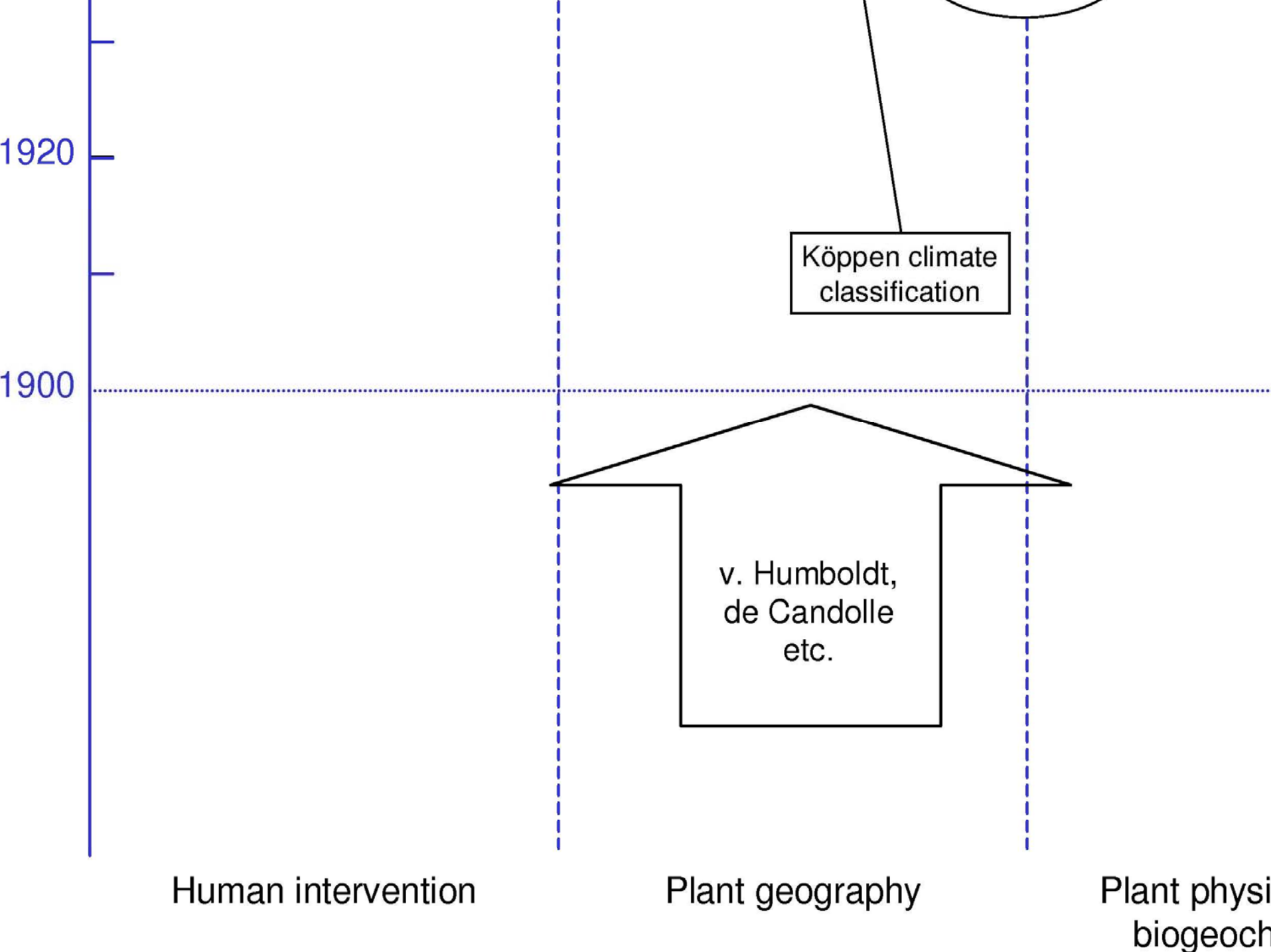
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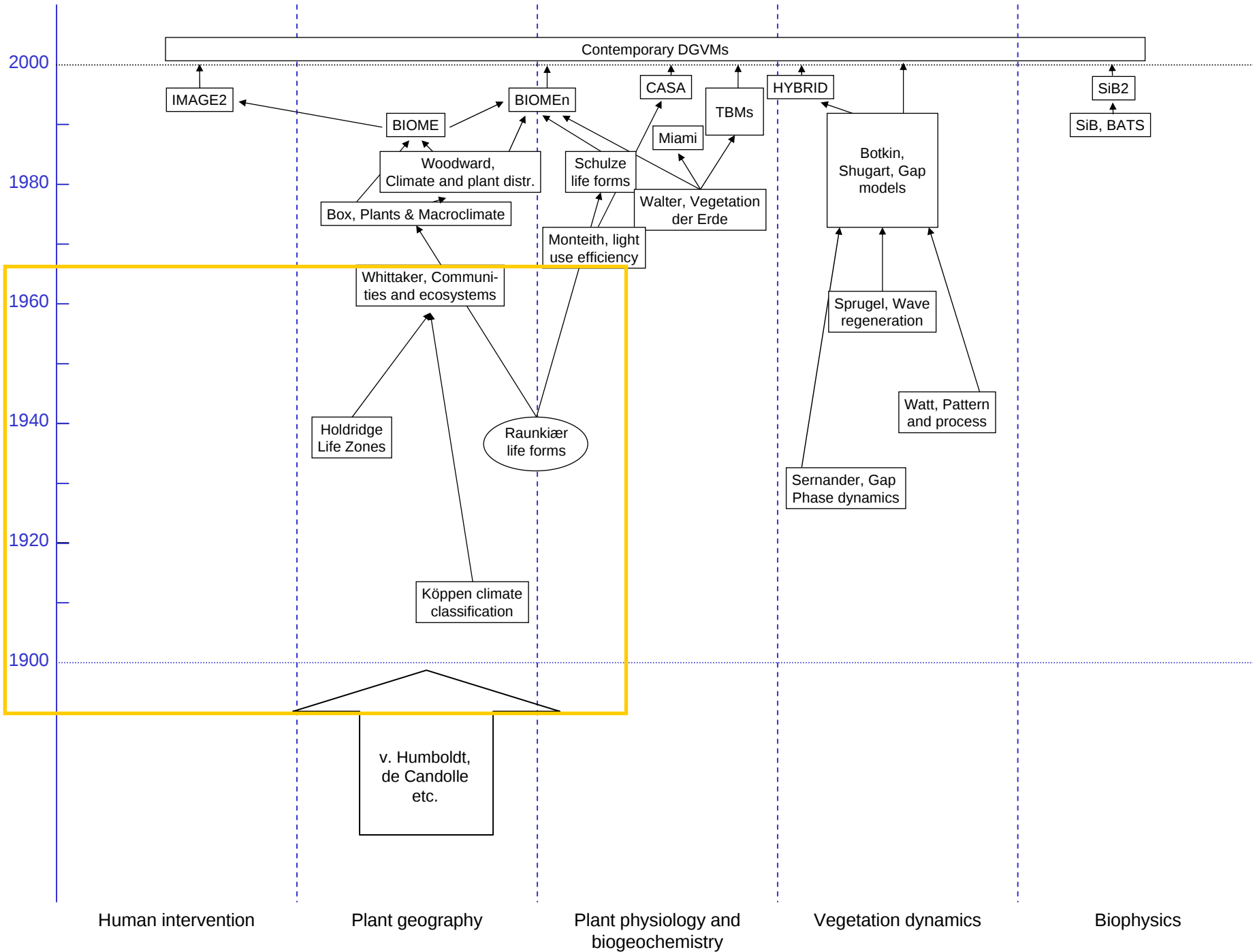
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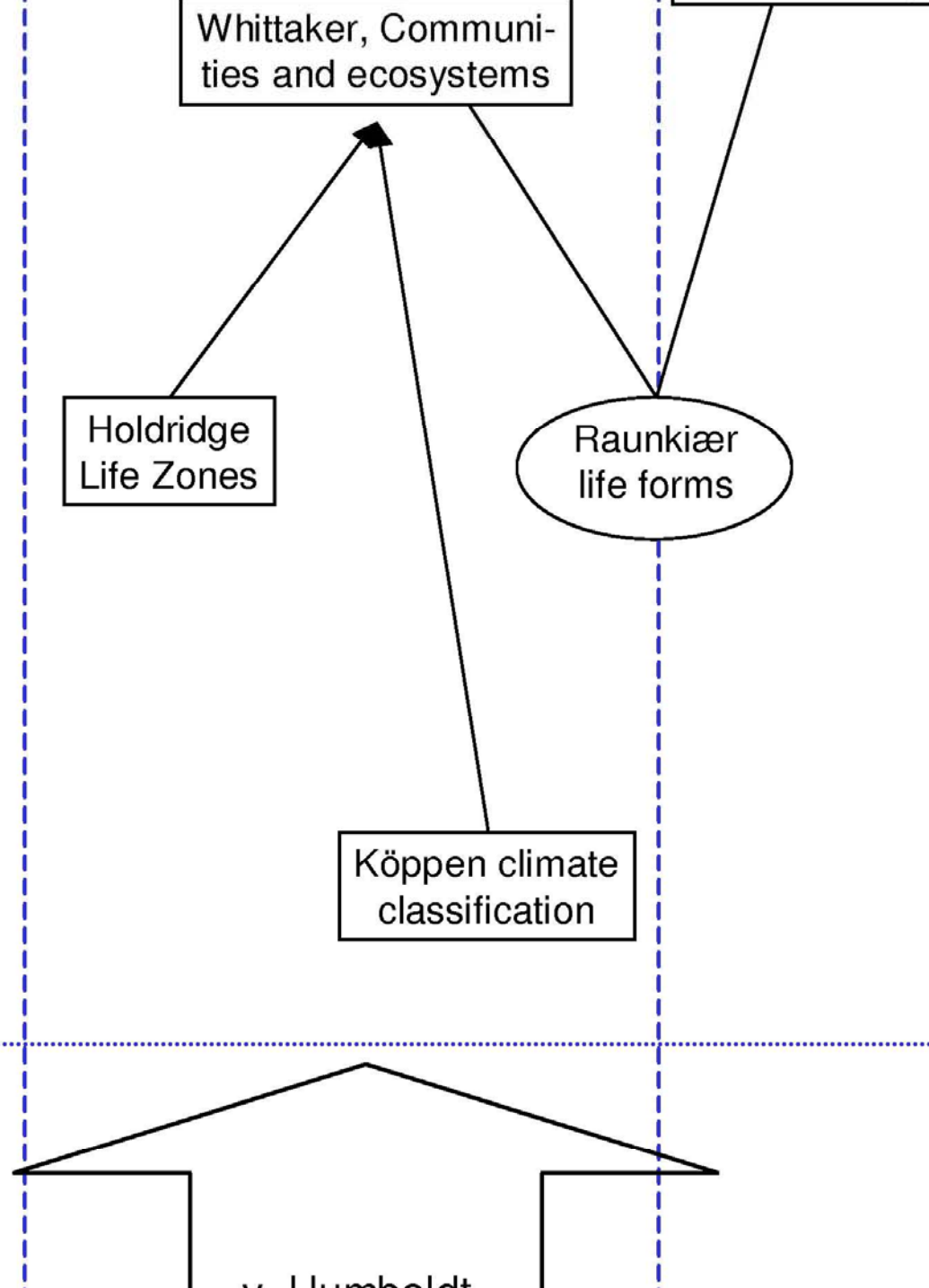
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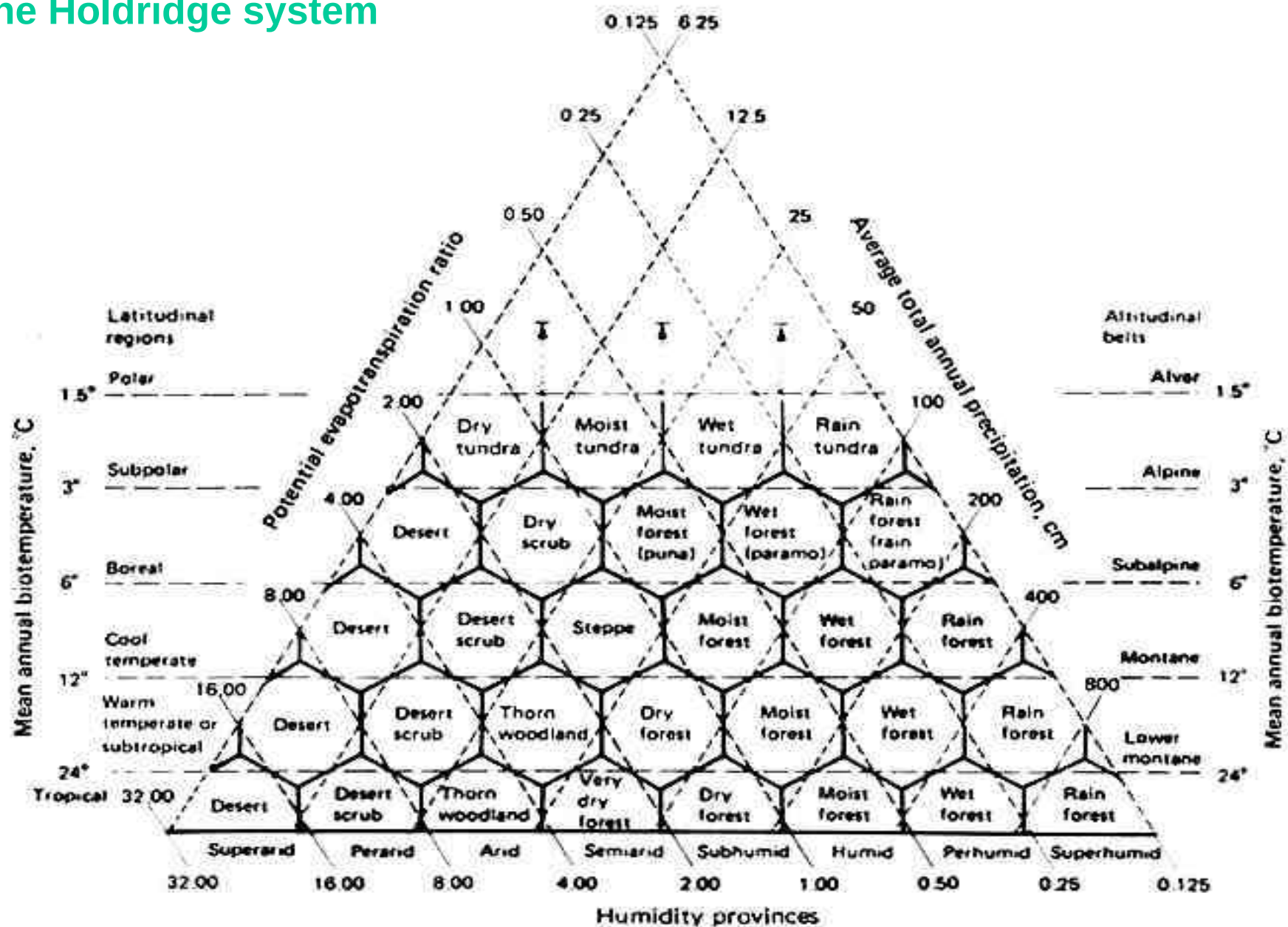




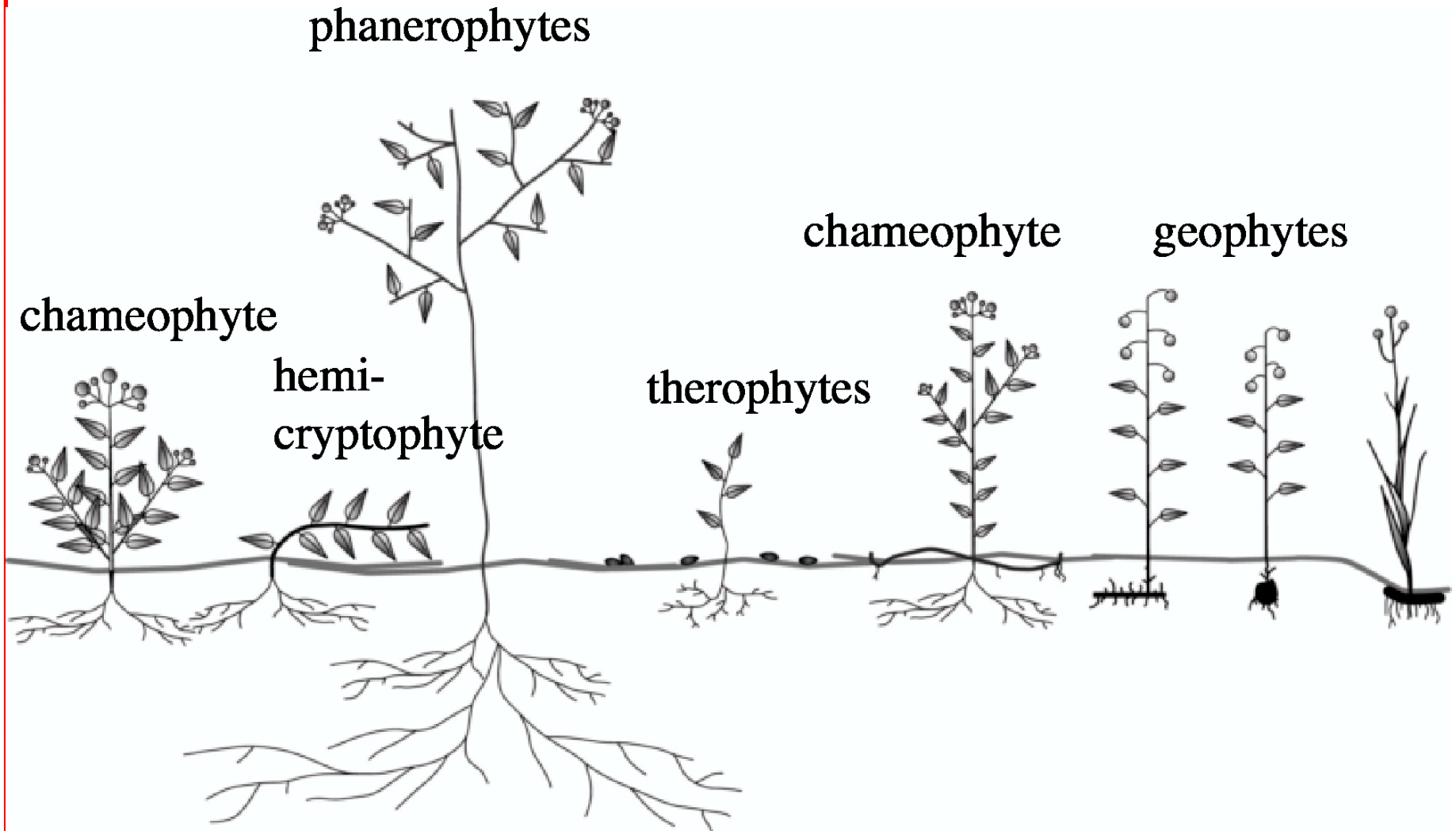


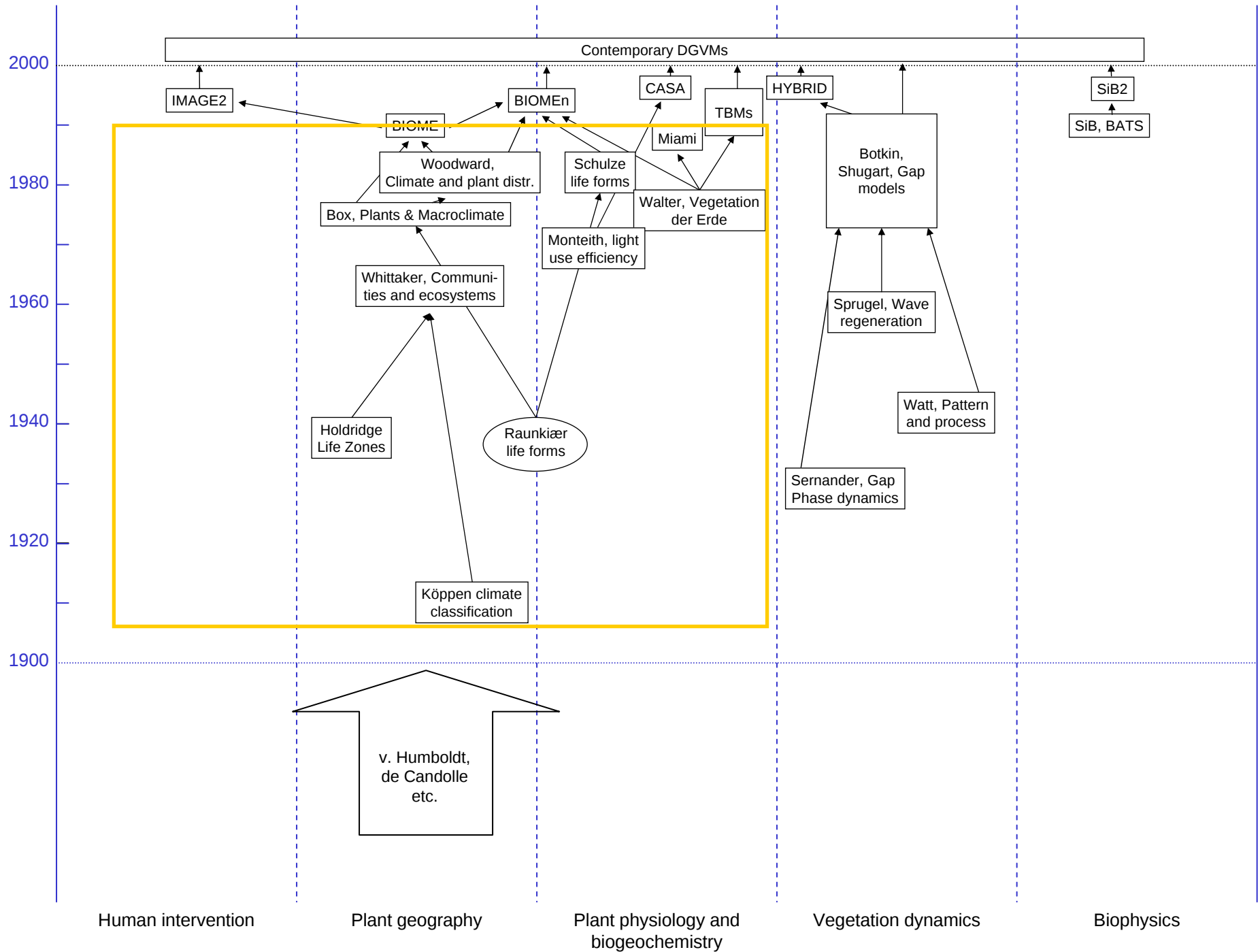


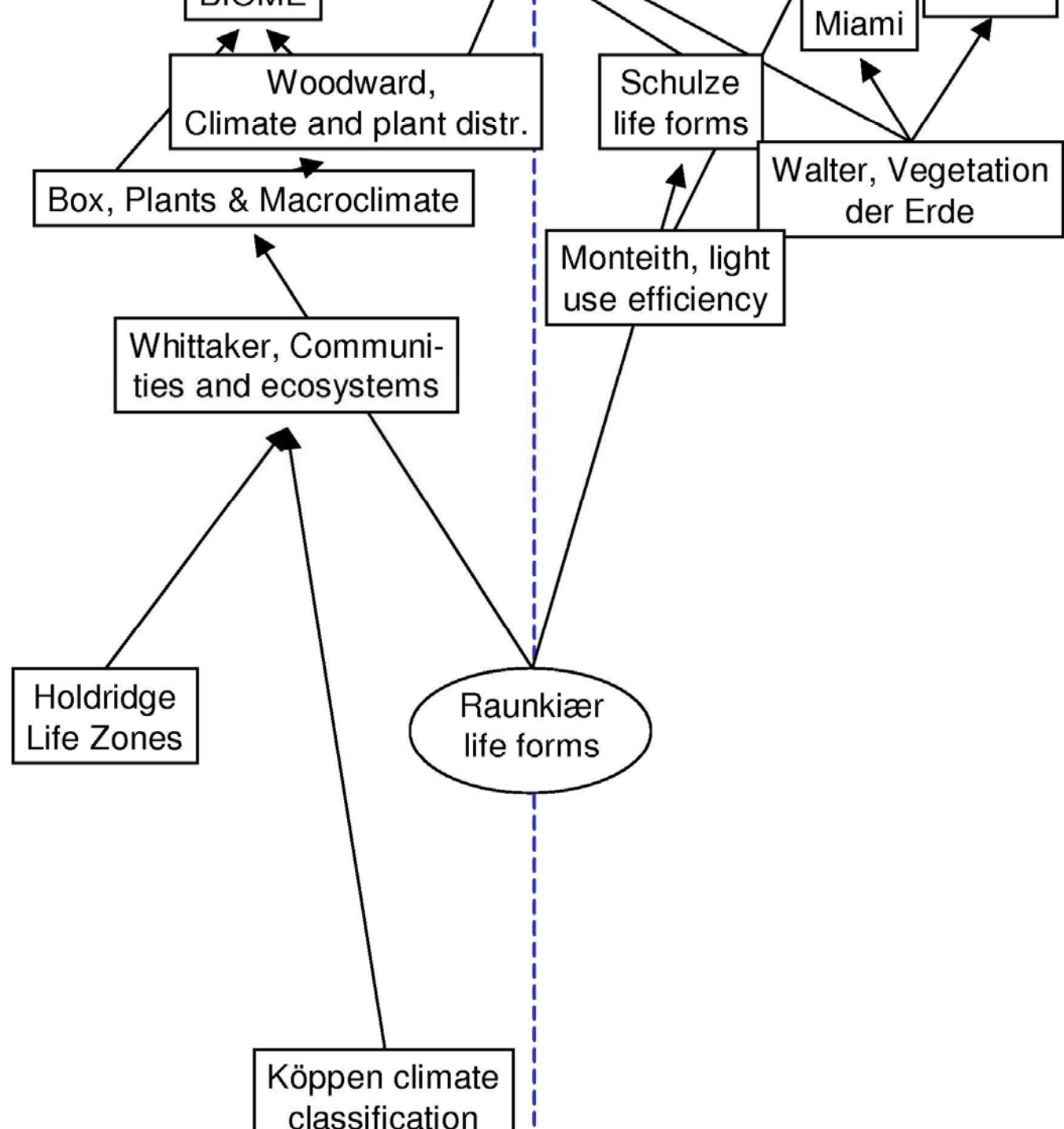
The Holdridge system



Life forms (Raunkiær)



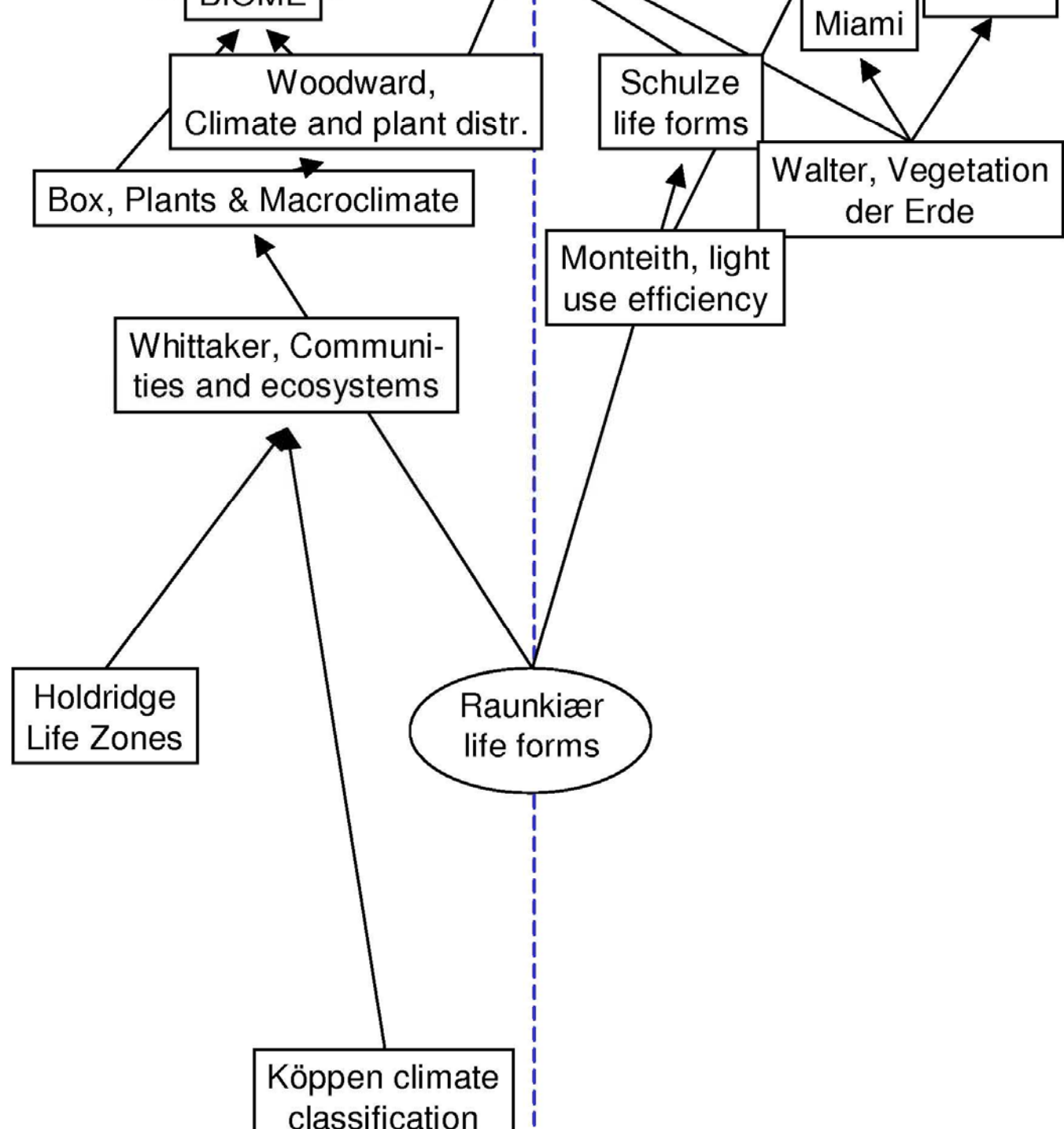




- Biogeography models:
 - limitation of plant and animal distribution in space and time
- Biogeochemistry models:
 - establishment, growth, survival and mortality of organisms in relation to essential resources

Bioclimatic variables (E. Box)

$T_{\max}$	mean temperature of the warmest month ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
$T_{\min}$	mean temperature of the coldest month ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
D_T	range between $T_{\min}$ and $T_{\max}$ ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
P	mean total annual precipitation (mm)
MI	moisture index, defined as the ratio between P and annual potential evapotranspiration (Thornthwaite and Mather 1957)
$P_{\max}$	mean total precipitation of the wettest month (mm)
$P_{\min}$	mean total precipitation of the driest month (mm)
$P_{T_{\max}}$	mean total precipitation of the warmest month (mm)



The Miami Model (Lieth 1972)

$$NPP = \min (NPP_T, NPP_P)$$

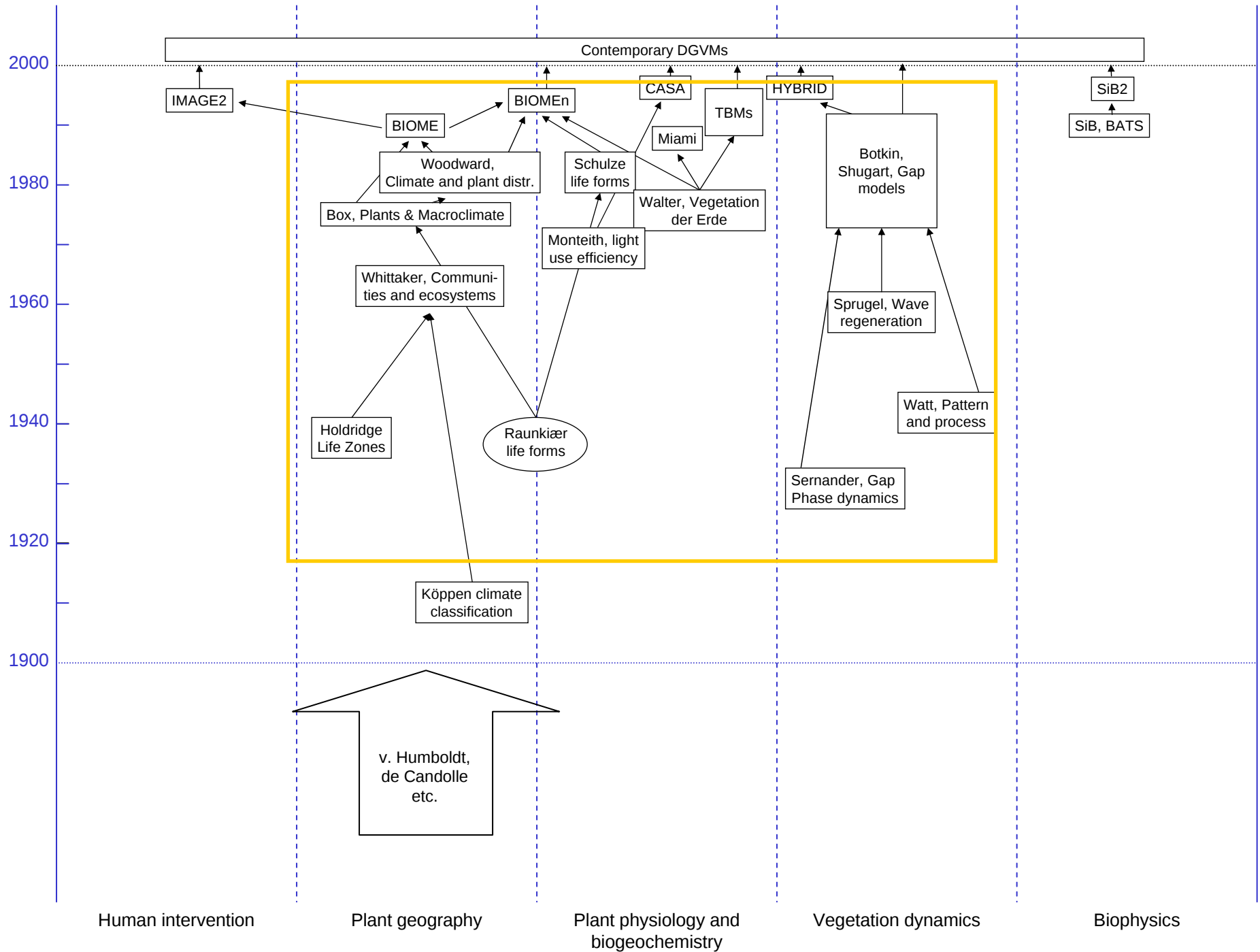
$$NPP_T = 3000 (1 + \exp (1.315 - 0.119 * T))^{-1}$$

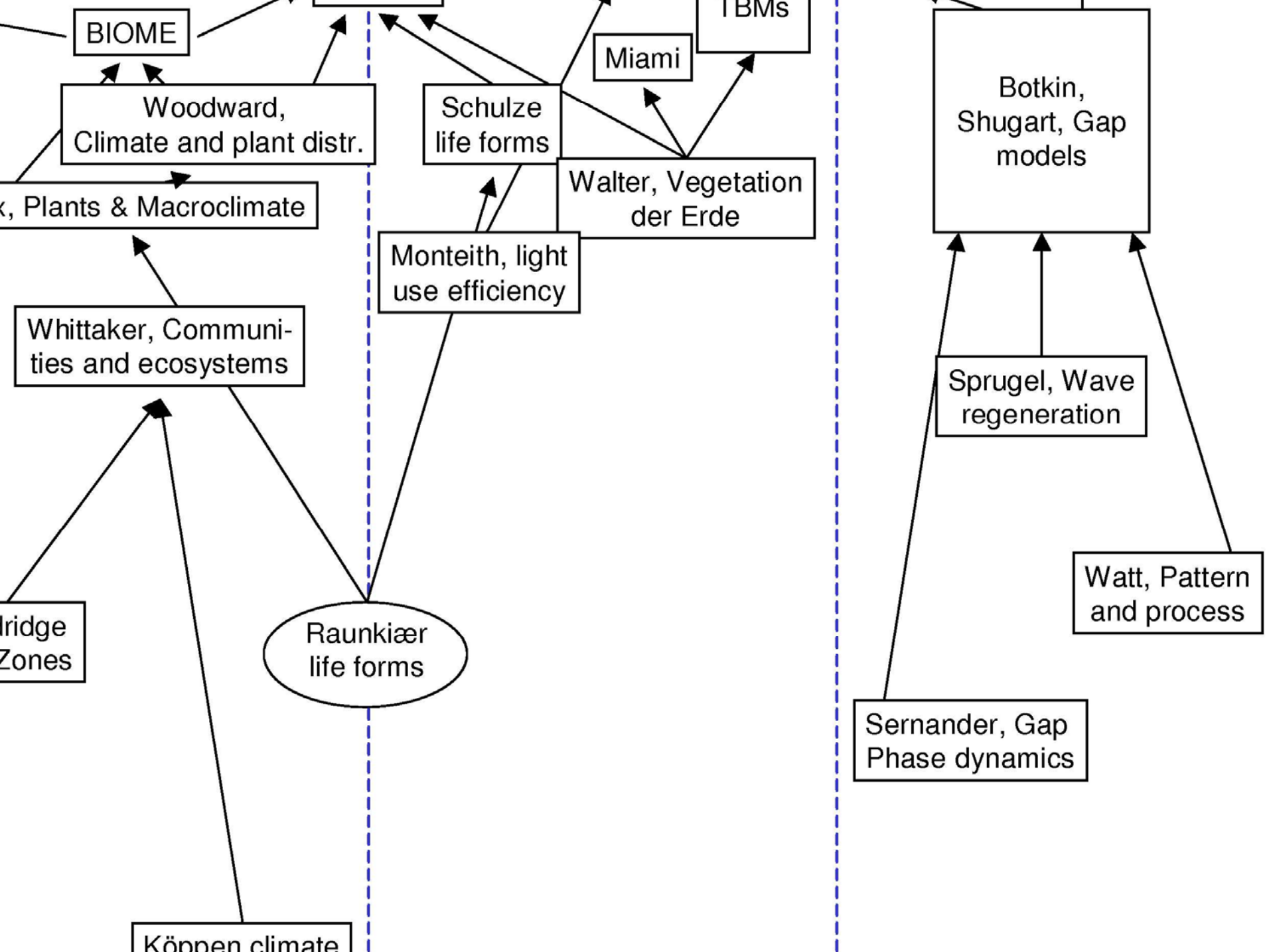
$$NPP_P = 3000 (1 - \exp (-.000664 * P))$$

NPP – Net Primary Productivity (g DM m⁻² yr⁻¹)

P – Mean annual total precipitation

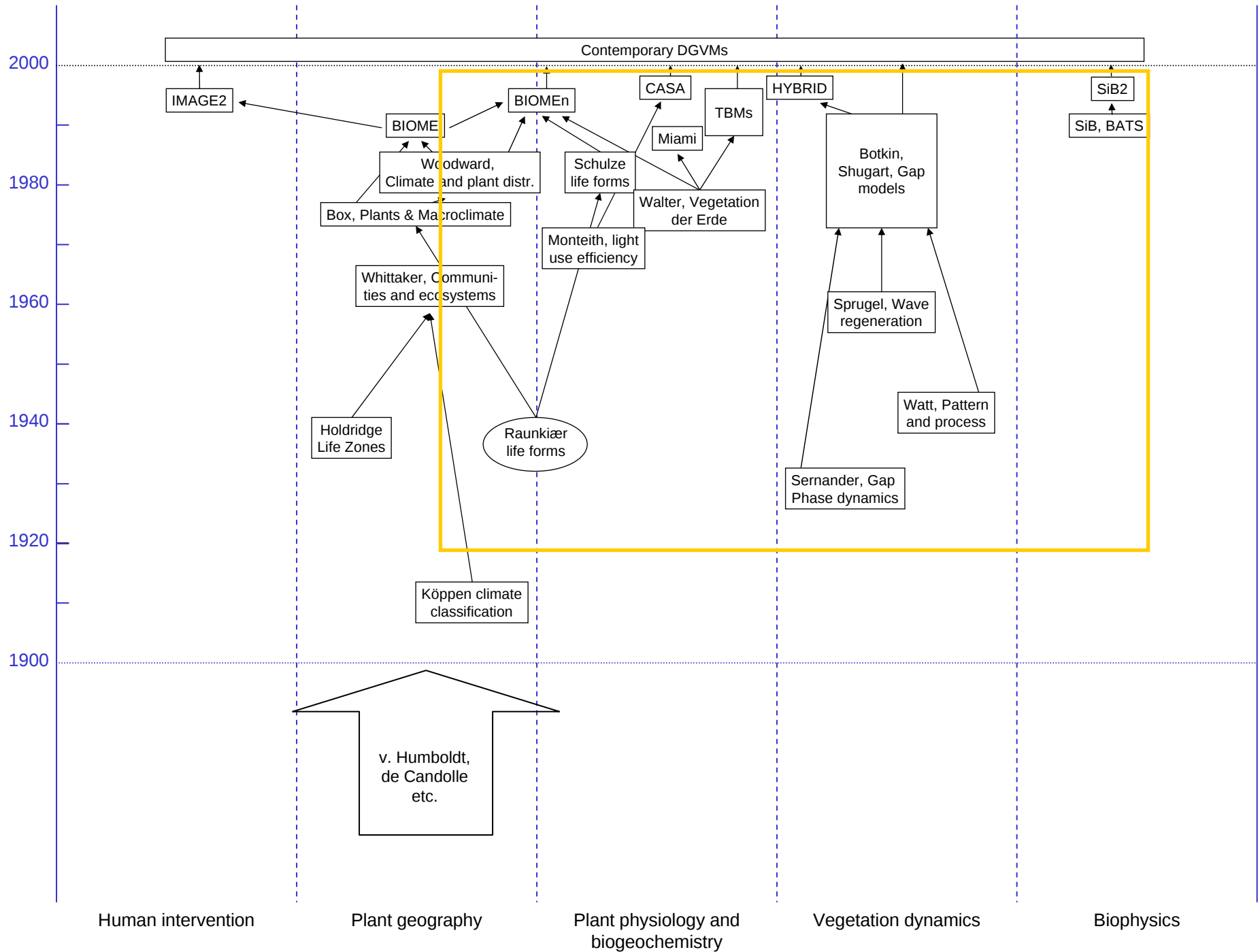
T – Mean annual temperature

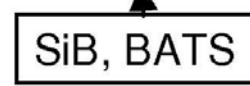
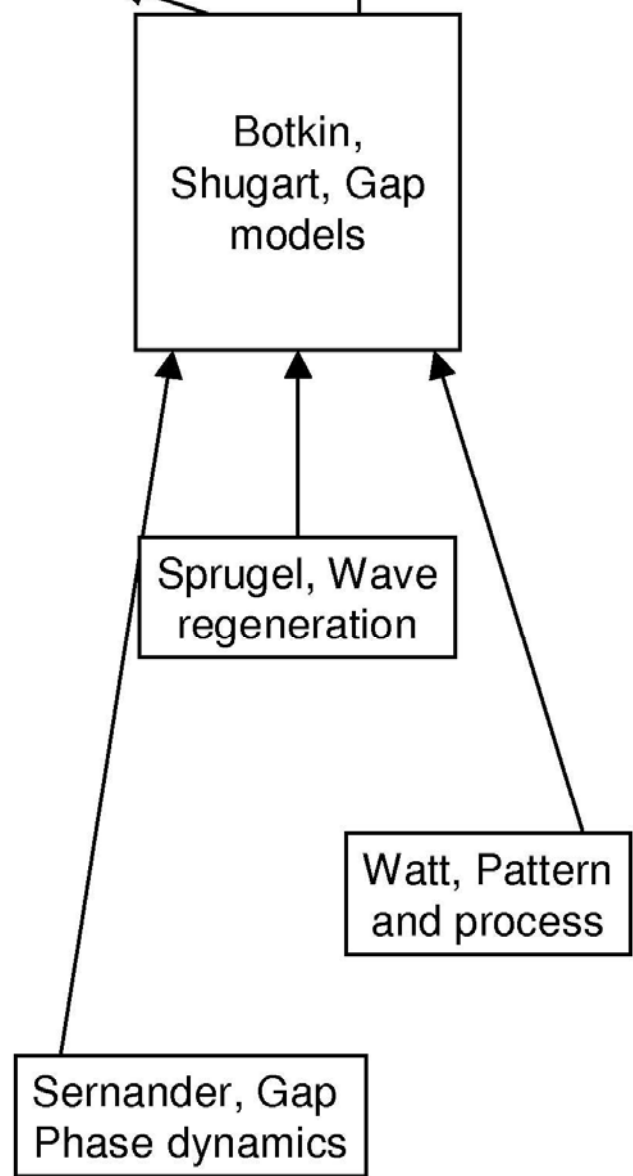
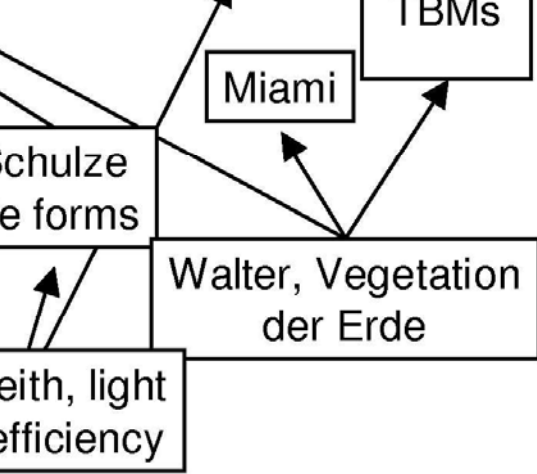




Rutger Sernander 1936 – Boreal forest gap dynamics

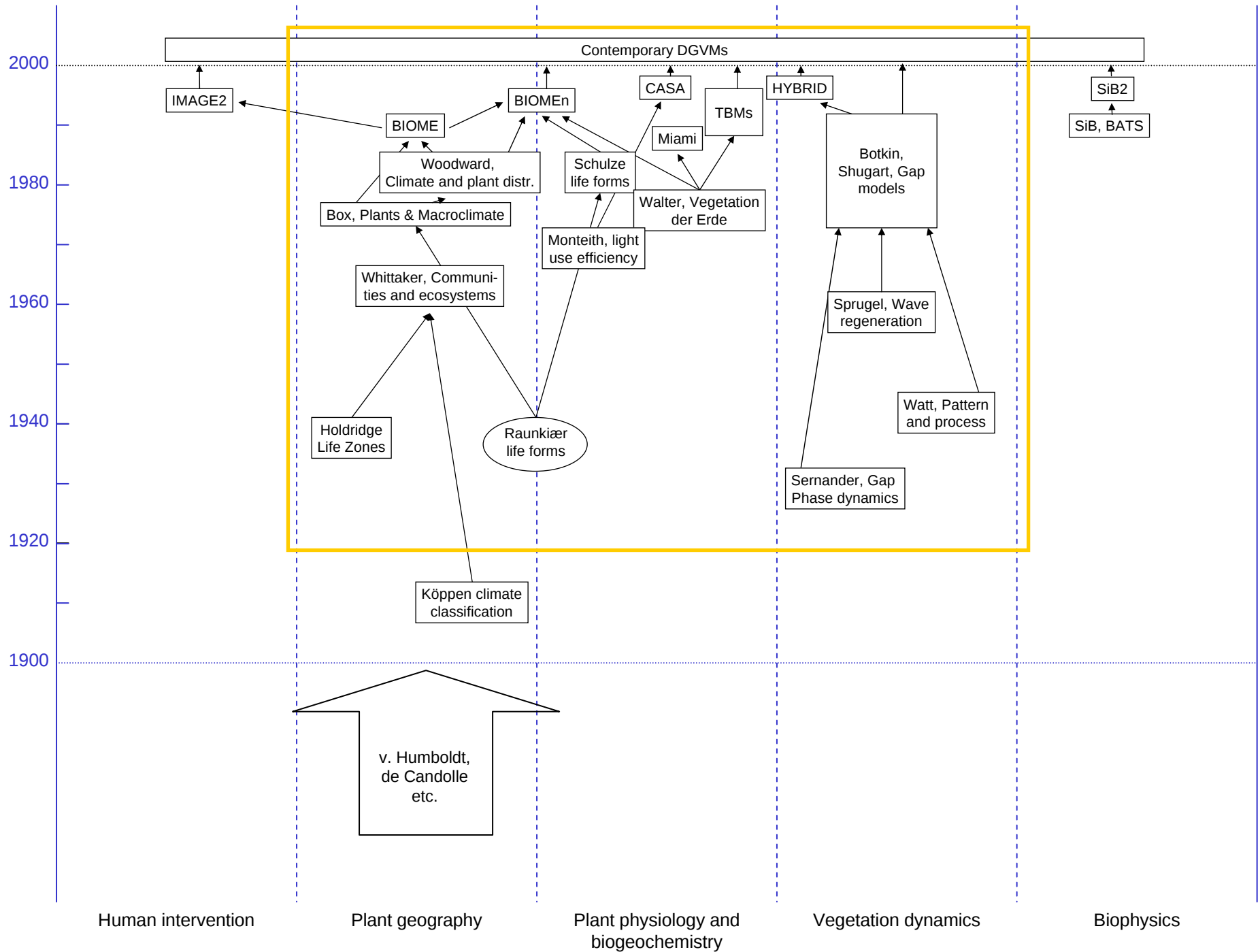






Simple Interactive Biosphere Model:

- initially a model of the energy balance at the land surface (for climate modelling), assuming a single „big leaf“
- later involving more complex physics and biogeochemistry



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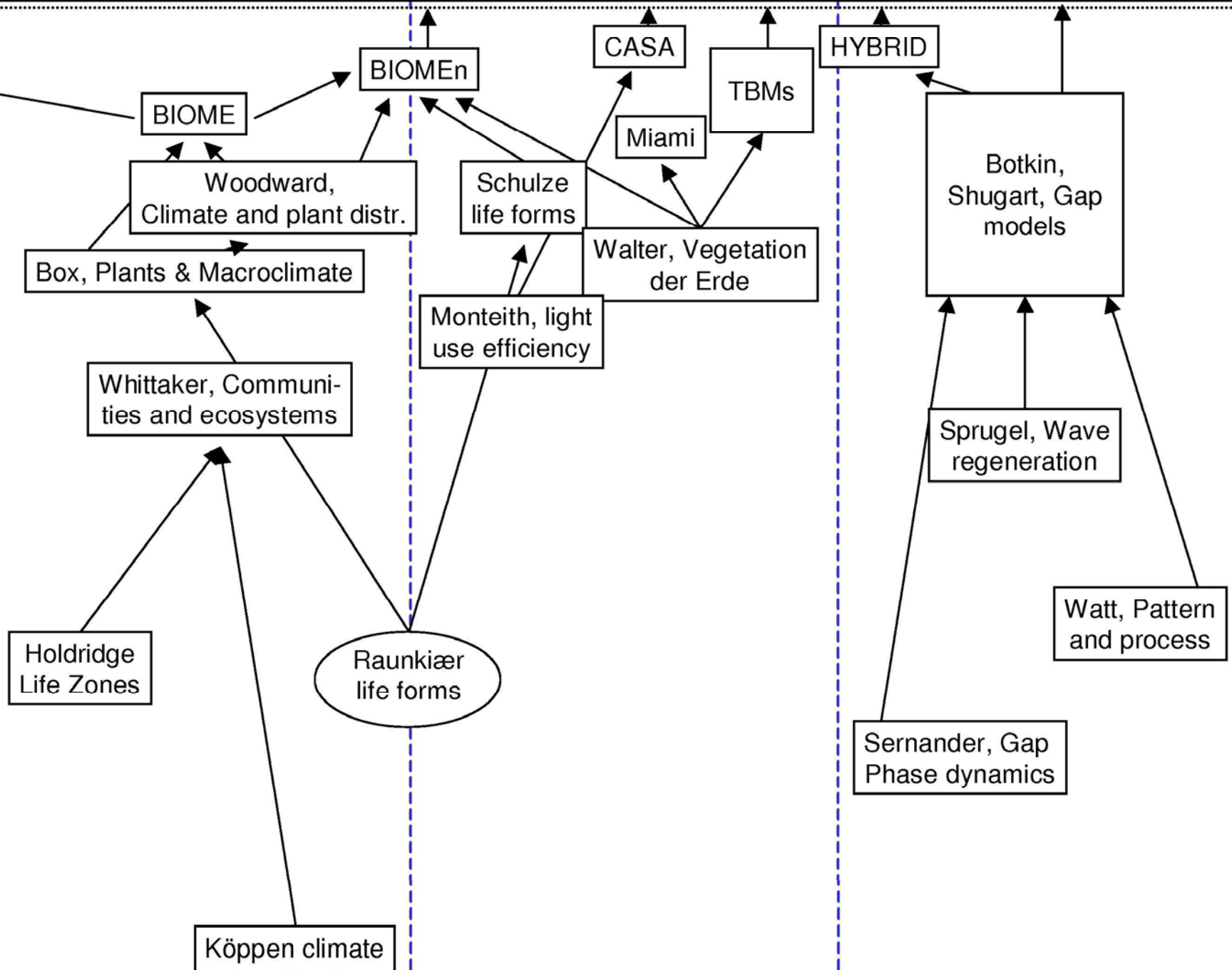
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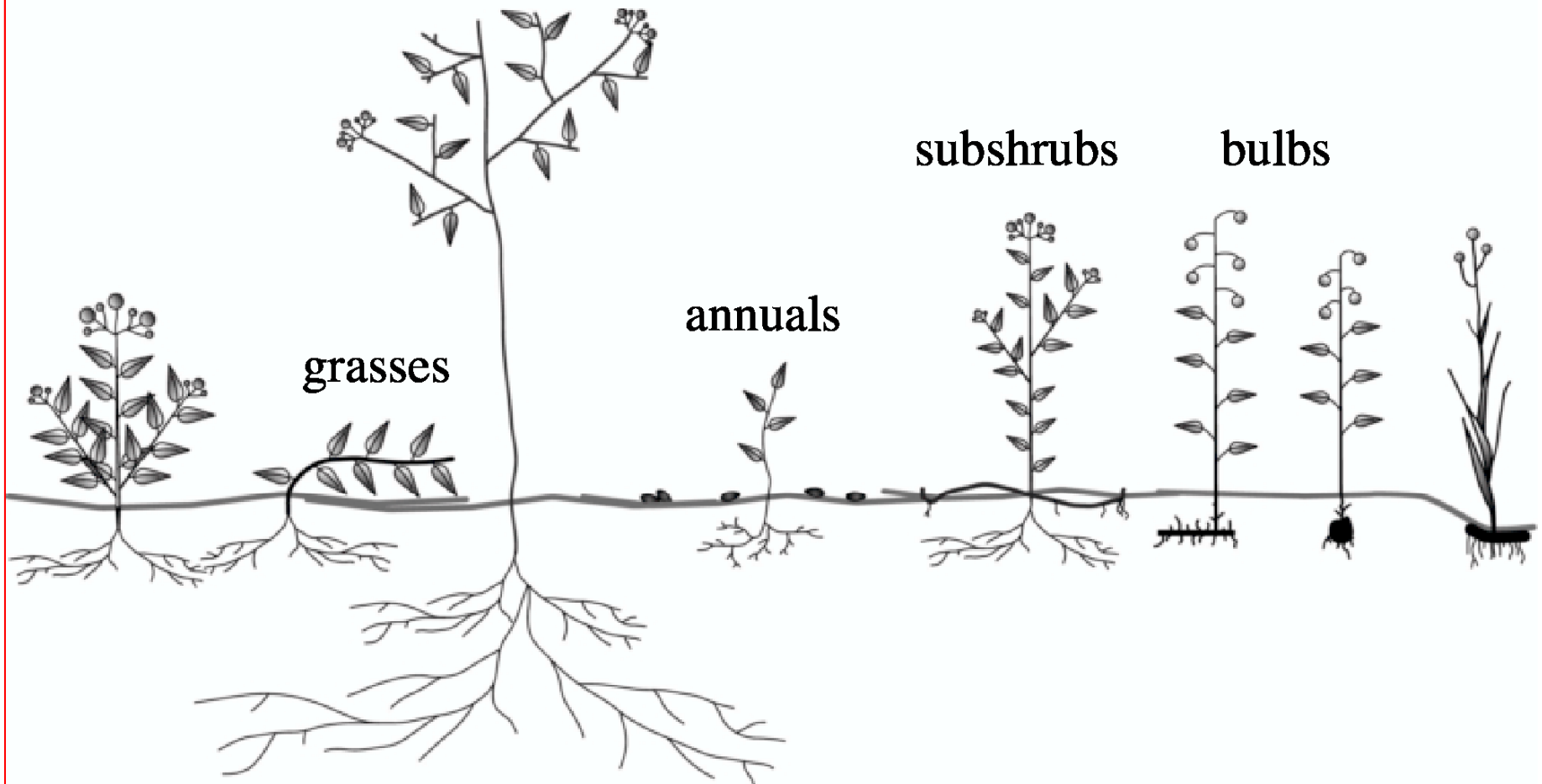


Combining biogeography and biogeochemistry

- Goal:
 - to predict biogeography from physiological and biophysical „principles“,
 - to predict biogeochemical fluxes from realistic biogeography
- Essential elements:
 - water balance estimation instead of rainfall measurements
 - basic plant types („functional types“)

Plant functional types

Trees and shrubs



Mechanisms in BIOME

**tolerance /
requirement**

cold tolerance

chilling re-
quirement

heat require-
ment

moisture
requirement /
drought
tolerance

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**tolerance /
requirement**

**ecophysiological
mechanism**

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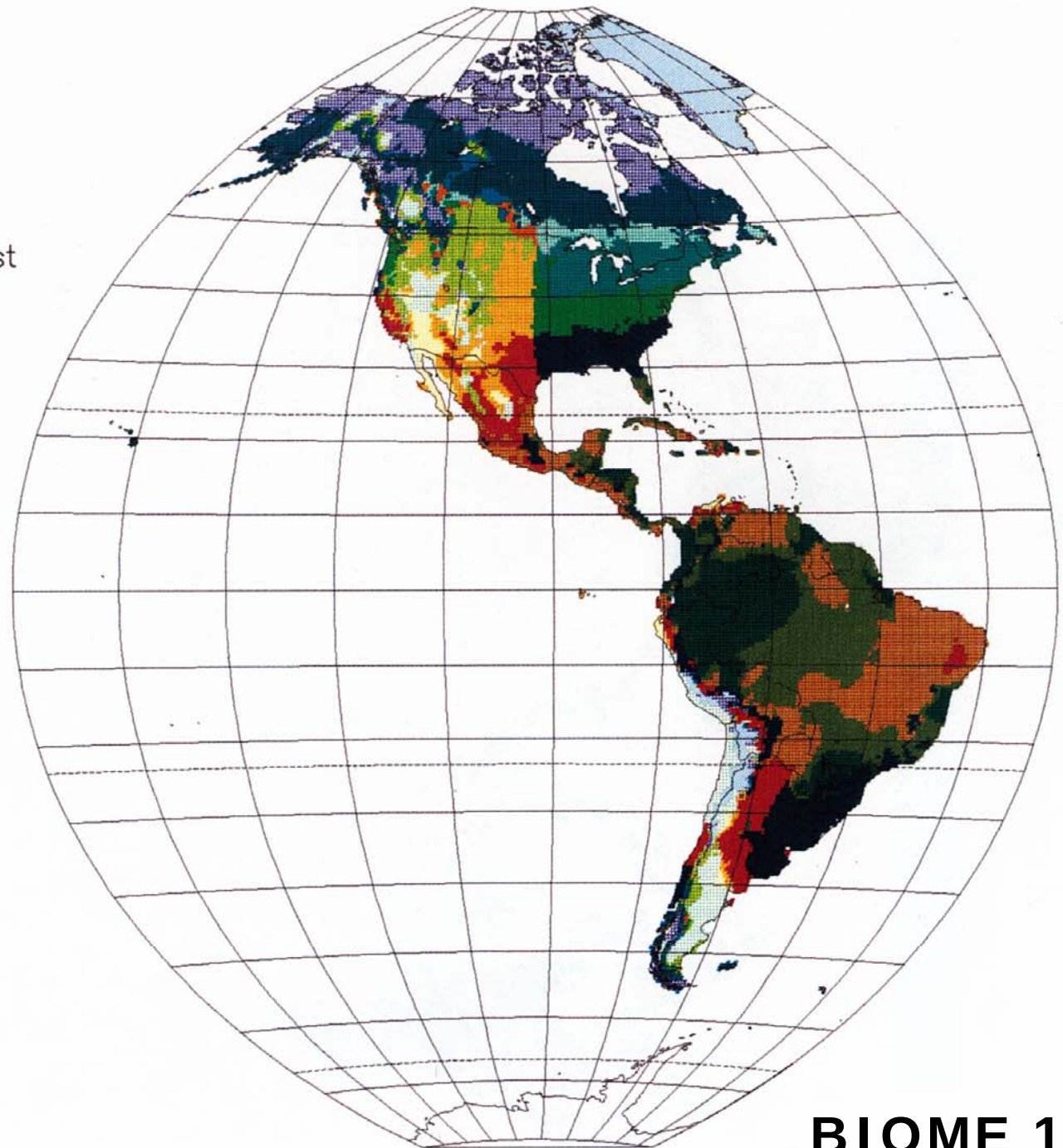
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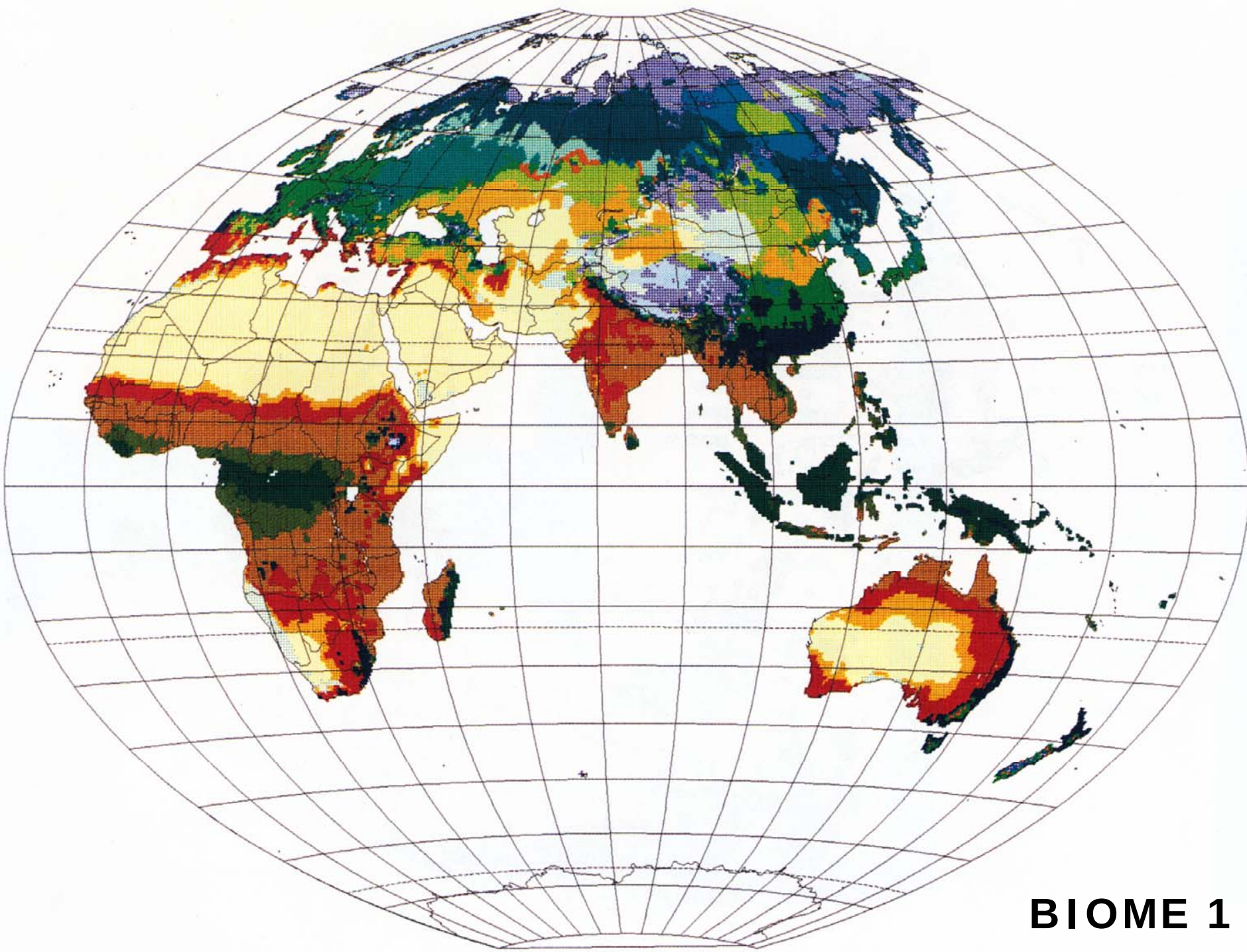
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		T _{min}		GDD ₀	GDD ₅	T _{max}	AET/PET	
plant functional type		min	max	min	min	min	min	max
trees	tropical evergreen	15.5					0.80	
	tropical raingreen	15.5					0.45	0.95
	warm-temperate ever-green	5.0					0.65	
	temperate summergreen	-15.0	15.5		1200		0.65	
	cool-temperate conifer	-19.0	5.0		900		0.65	
	boreal evergreen conifer	-35.0	-2.0		350		0.75	
	boreal summergreen		5.0		350		0.65	
non-trees	sclerophyll/succulent	5.0					0.28	
	warm grass/shrub					22.0	0.18	
	cool grass/shrub				500		0.33	
	cold grass/shrub			100			0.33	
	hot desert shrub					22.0		
	cold desert shrub			100				
no plants	(dummy type)							

- Tropical Rain Forest
- Tropical Seasonal Forest
- Tropical Dry Forest/Savanna
- Evergreen/Warm mixed Forest
- Temperate Deciduous Forest
- Cool Mixed Forest
- Cool Conifer Forest
- Taiga
- Cold Mixed Forest
- Cold Deciduous Forest
- Xerophytic Woods/Shrub
- Warm Grass/Shrub
- Cool Grass/Shrub
- Tundra
- Hot Desert
- Semidesert
- Ice/Polar Desert

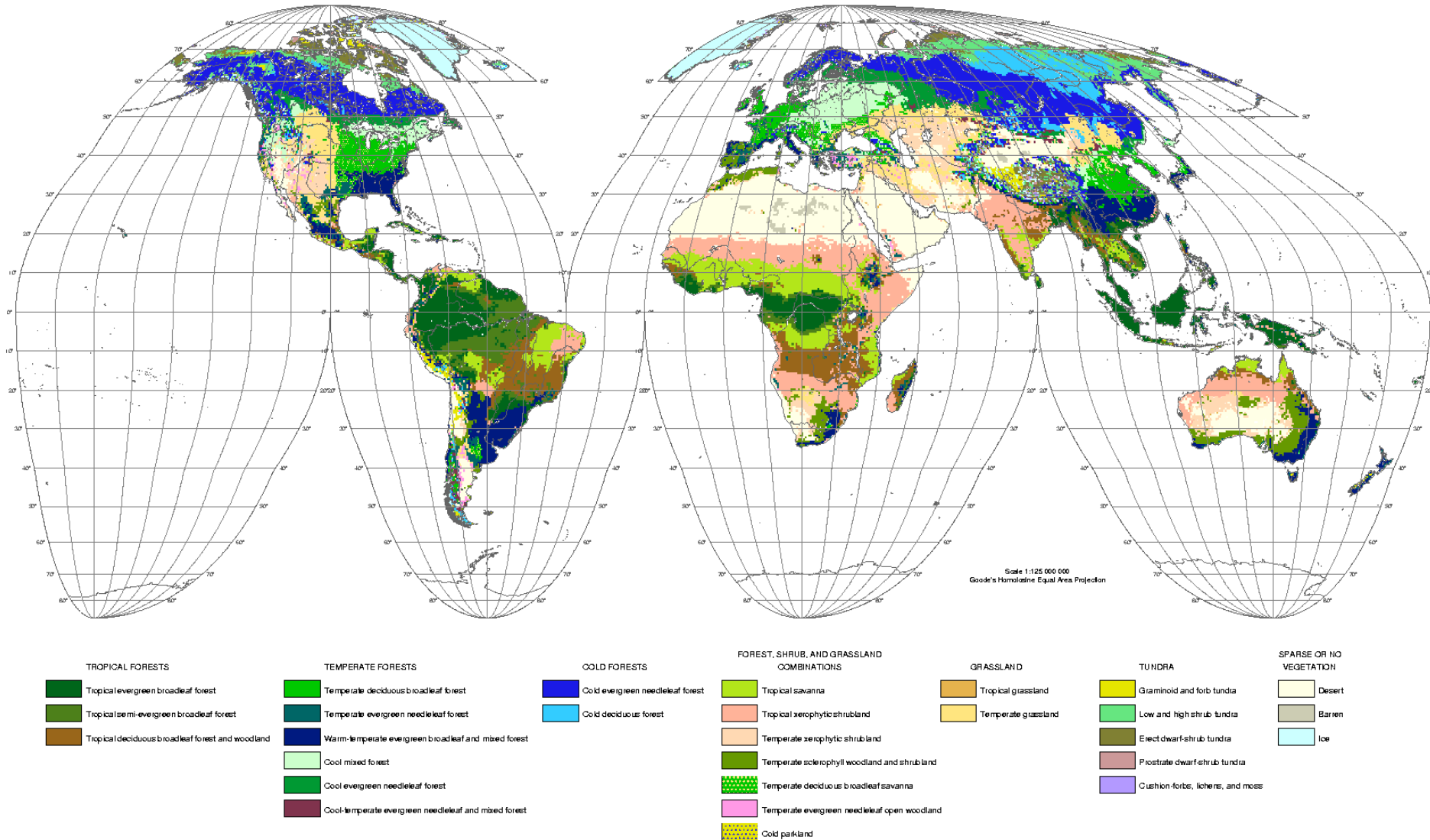


BIOME 1

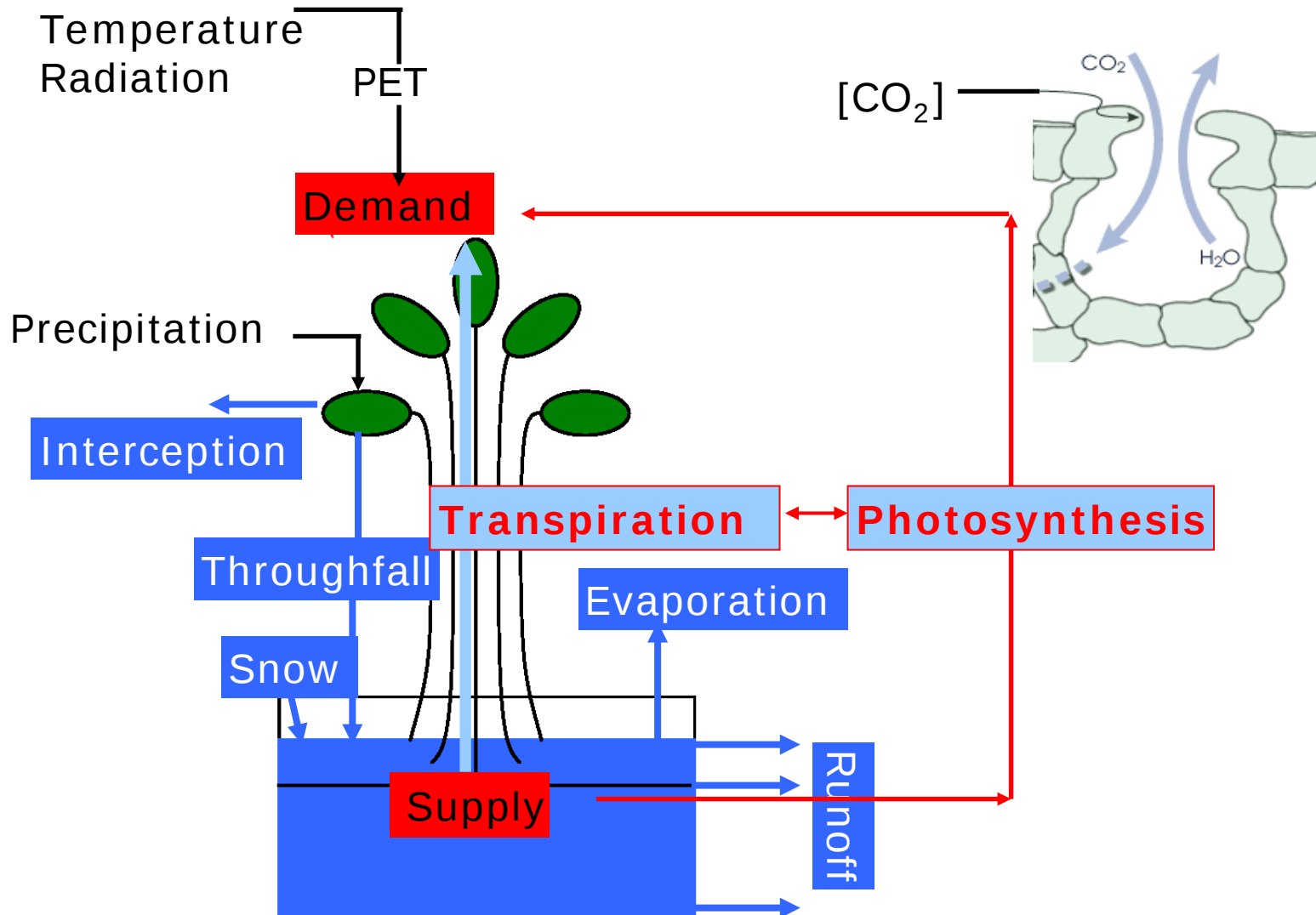


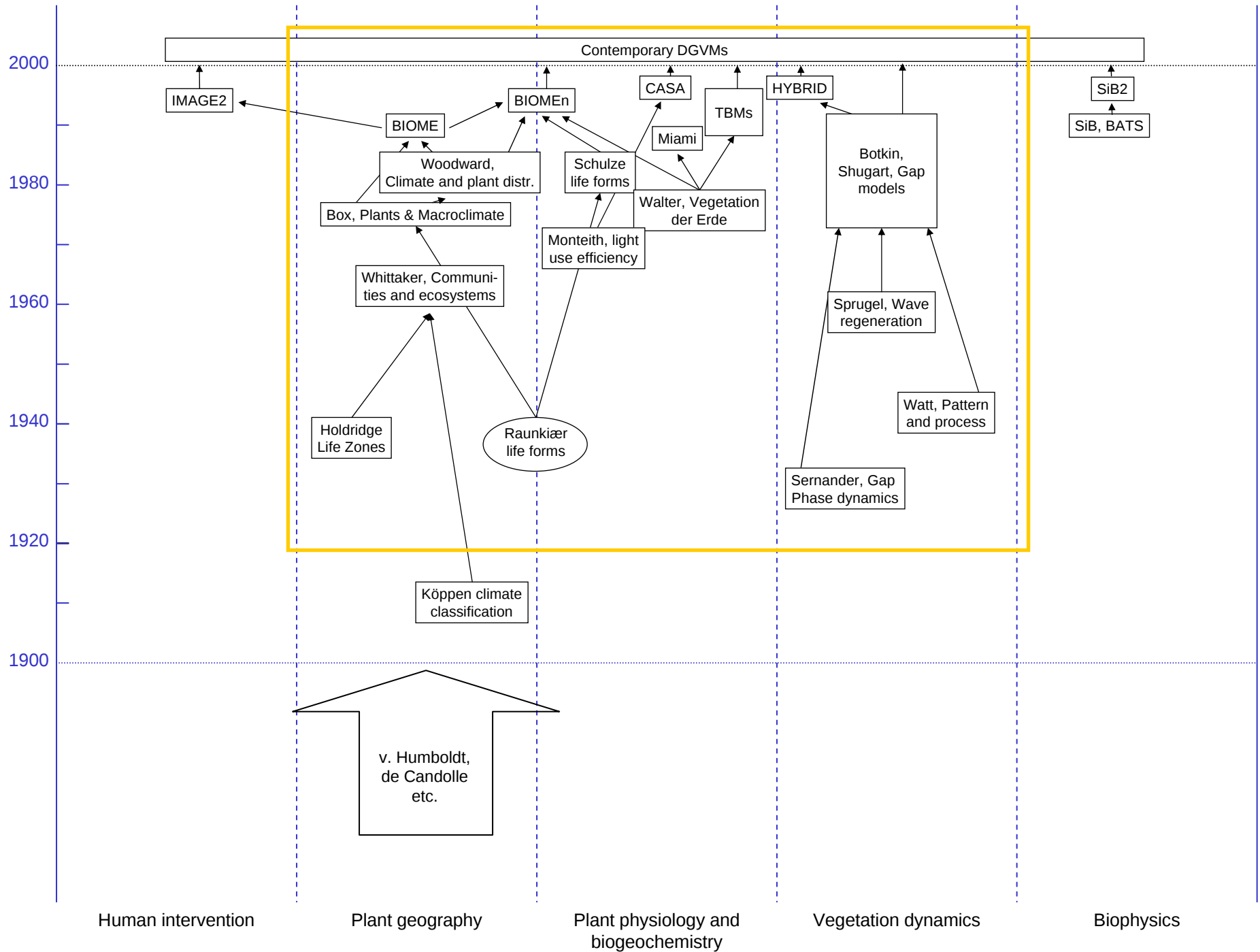
BIOME 1

BIOME4



H₂O and C fluxes





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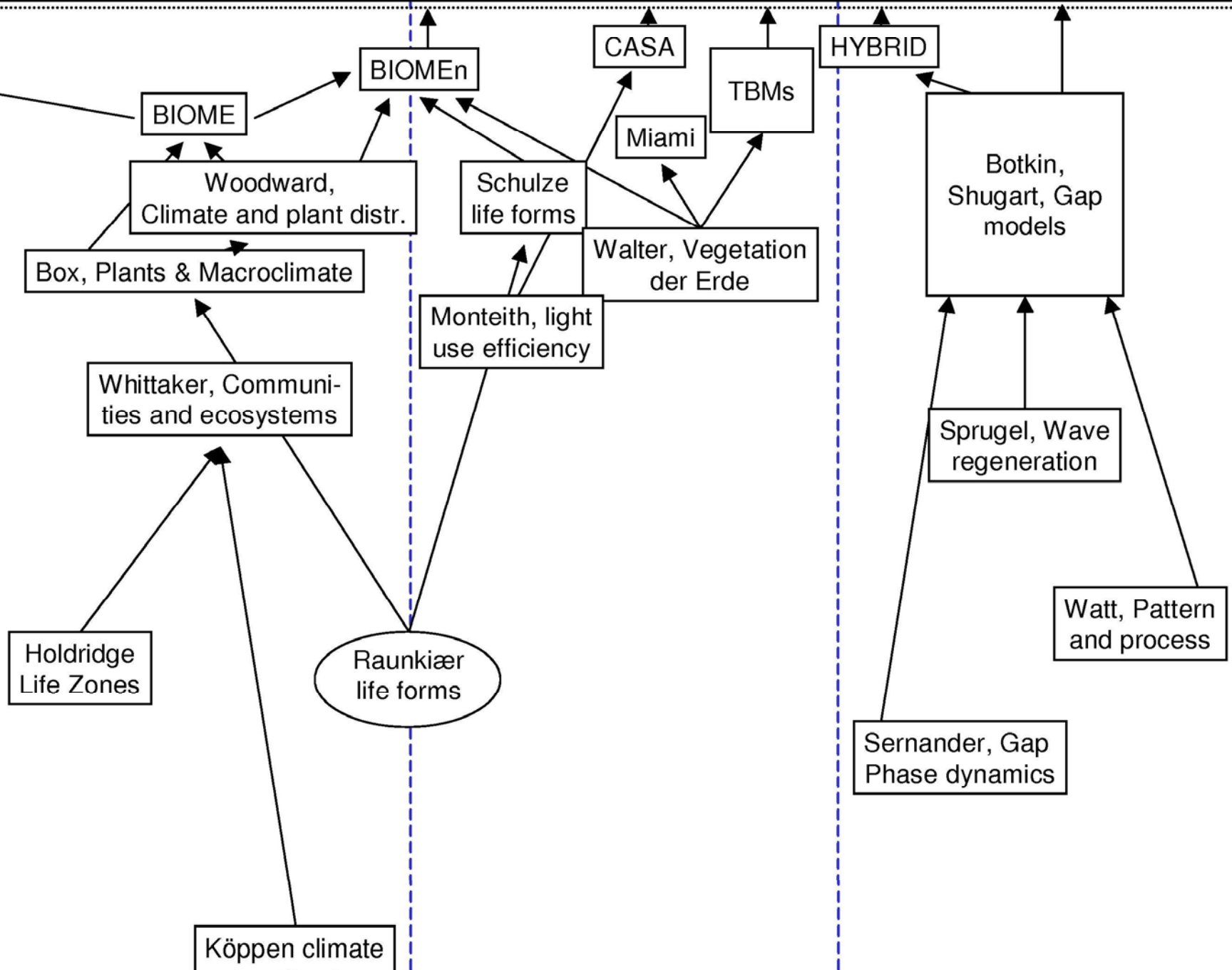
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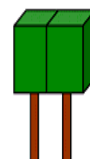
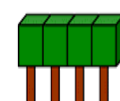
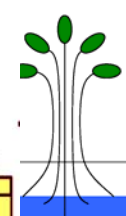
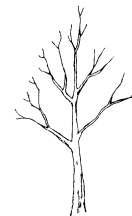


The LPJ Dynamic Global Vegetation Model (Sitch et al., GCB, 2003)

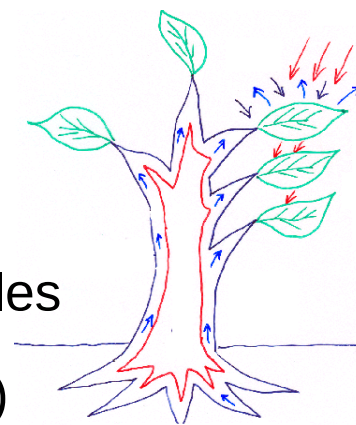
Climate, Soil, CO₂

Space &
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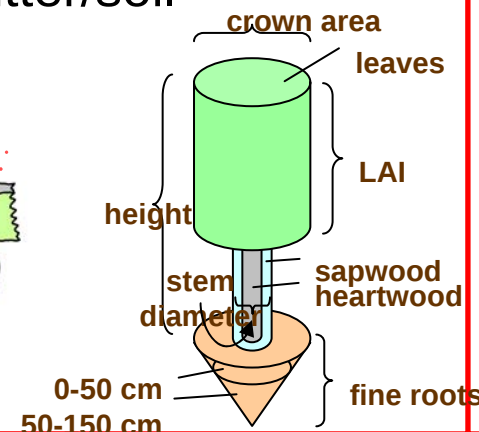
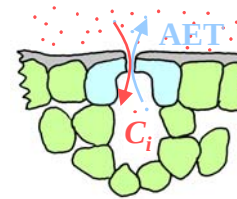
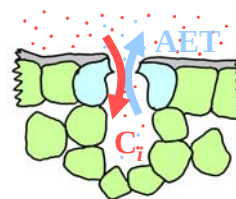
Transformed by
process modules into



- 10 plant functional types
- competition, mortality, establishment
- fire, permafrost
- photosynthesis: coupled C and H₂O cycles
- C allocation (funct. and struct. relations)
- Carbon pools: 4 in vegetation, 4 in litter/soil
- Full hydrology



C budget, H₂O Budget,
Vegetation Composition

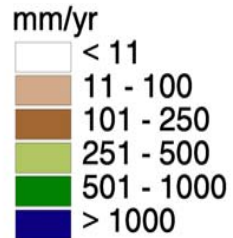


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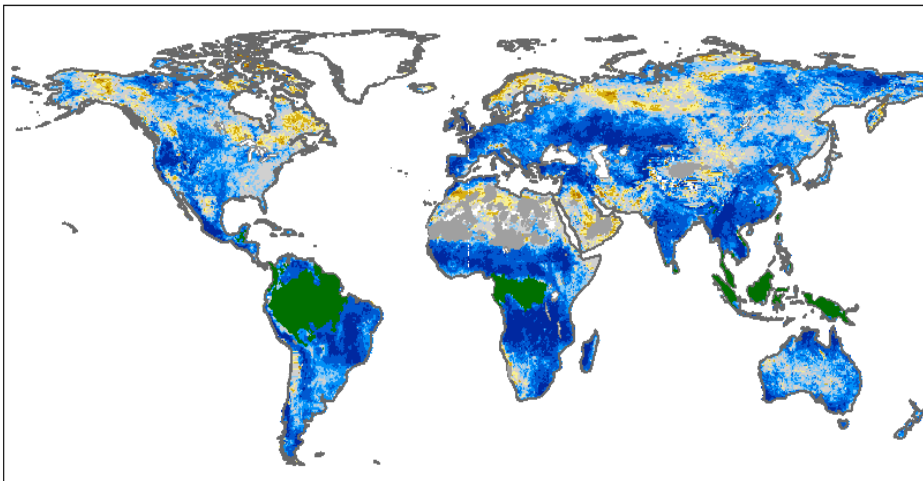
Runoff

Gerten et al. 2004

LPJ



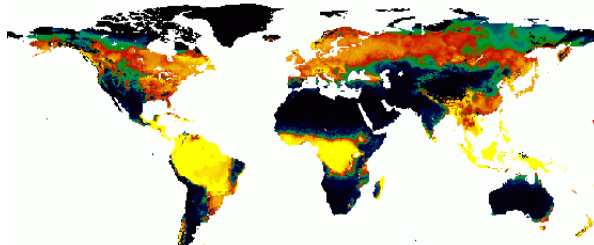
Observations
(Cogley, 1998)



Soil moisture

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1992–1998

Wagner et al. 2003



Biomass

Vegetation distribution

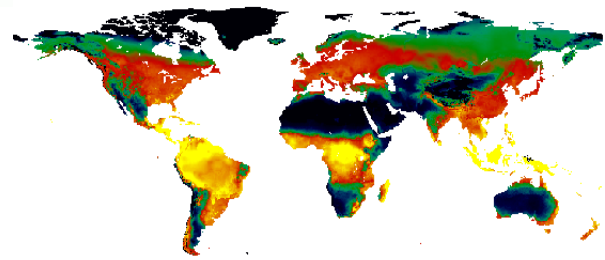
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Total Vegetation Carbon
LPJ with CRU climatology
Equilibrium

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kgC/m²

PER 2000 /yr



NPP

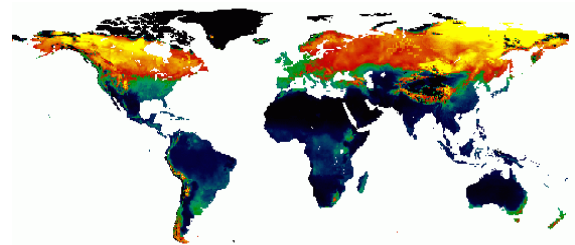
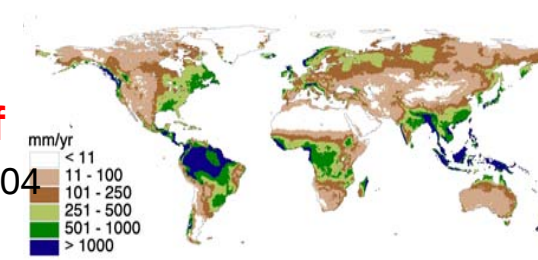
Annual Net Primary Production
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Equilibrium

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gC/m²

PER 2000 /yr

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Gerten et al., J. Hydrol., 2004



Soil C

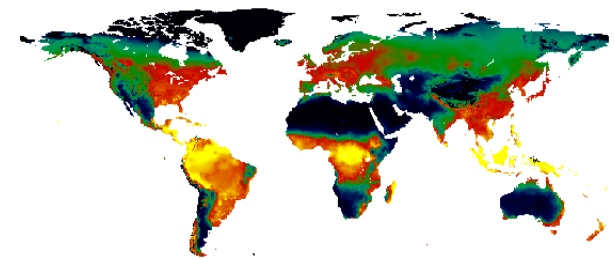
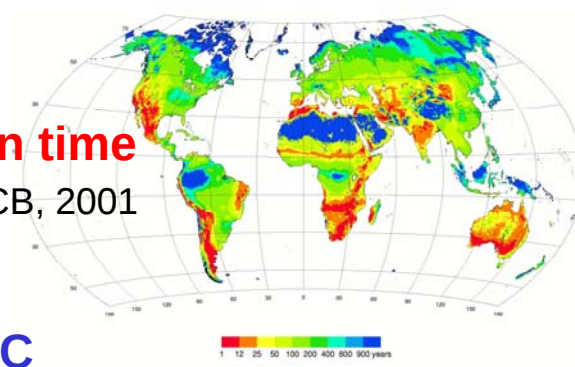
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Equilibrium

0 10 20 30 40
kgC/m²

PER 2000 /yr

Fire return time

Thonicke et al., GCB, 2001



Soil C Dynamics

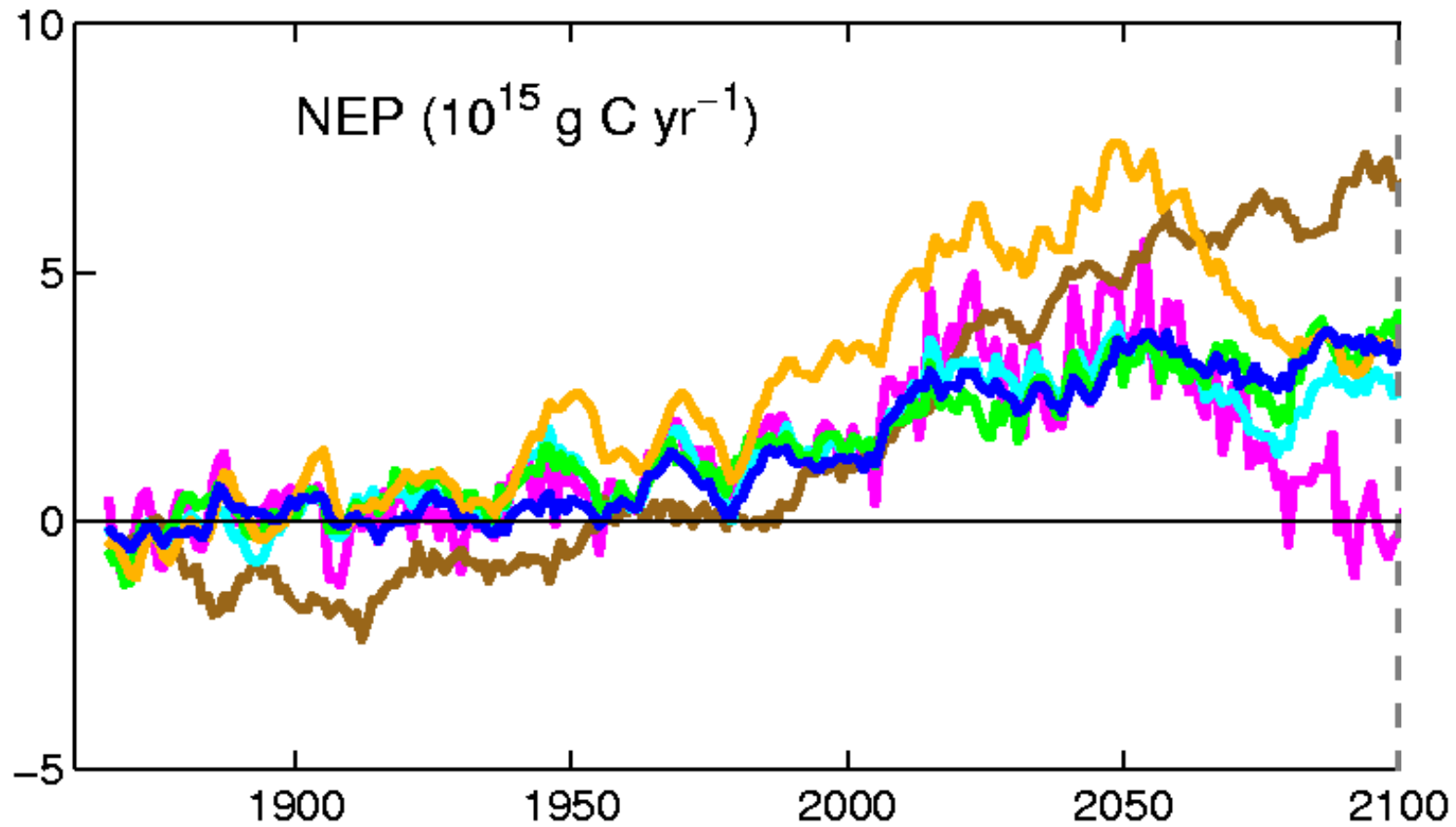
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Annual Heterotrophic Respiration
LPJ with CRU climatology
Equilibrium

0 250 500 750 1000
gC/m²

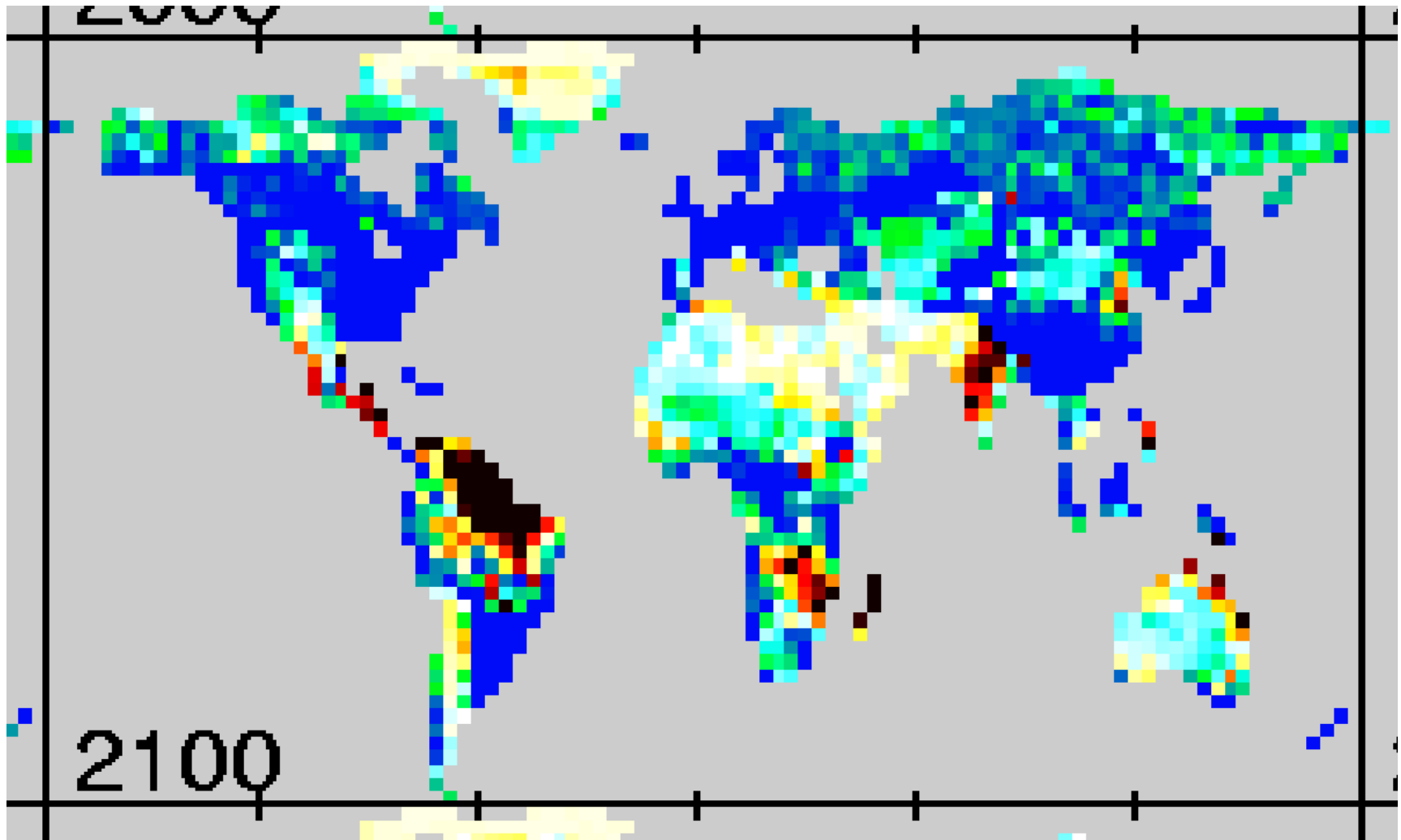
PER 2000 /yr

Nettoökosystemproduktivität (NEP)



Nettoökosystemproduktivität

(g C m⁻² y⁻²)

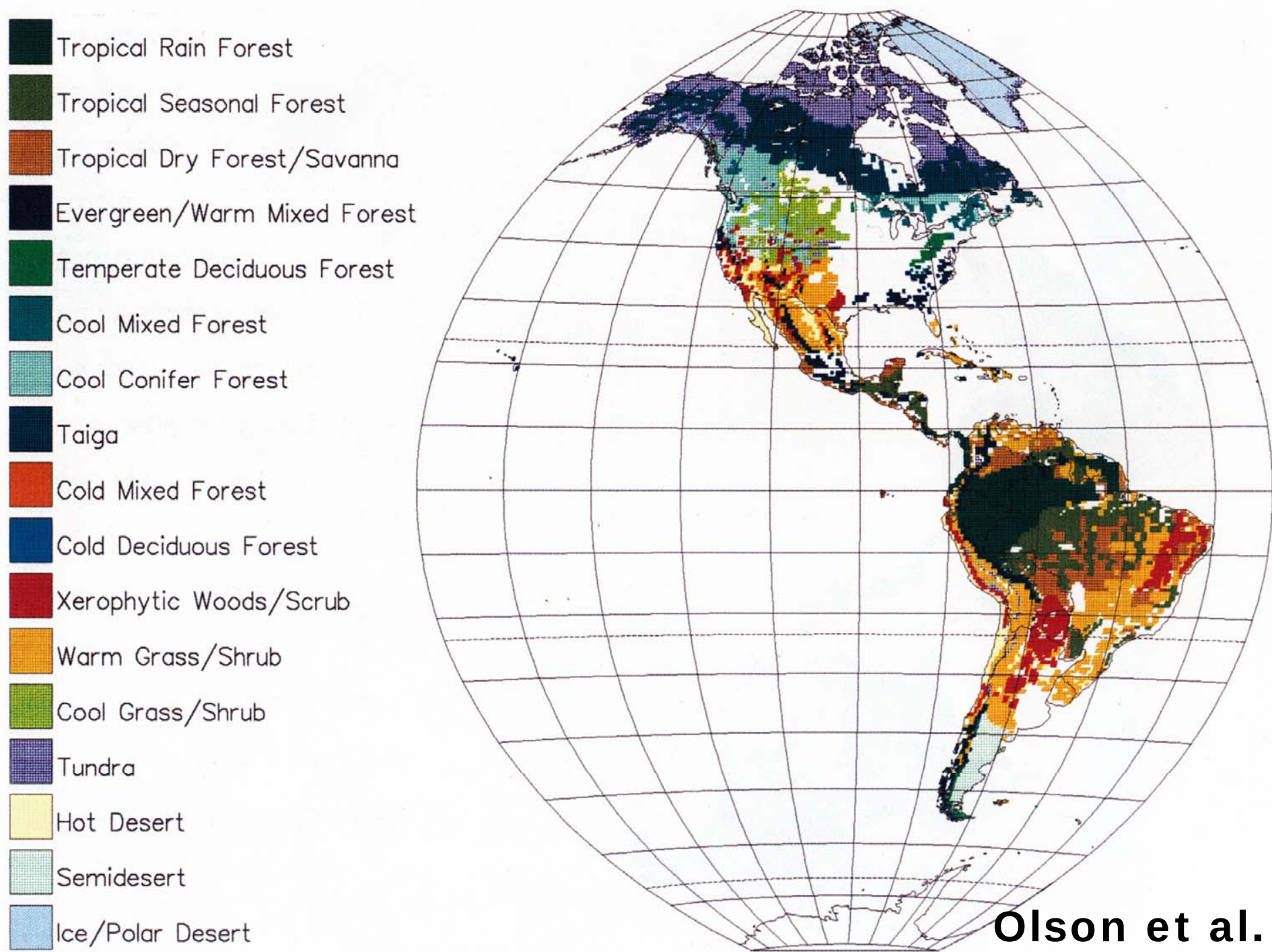


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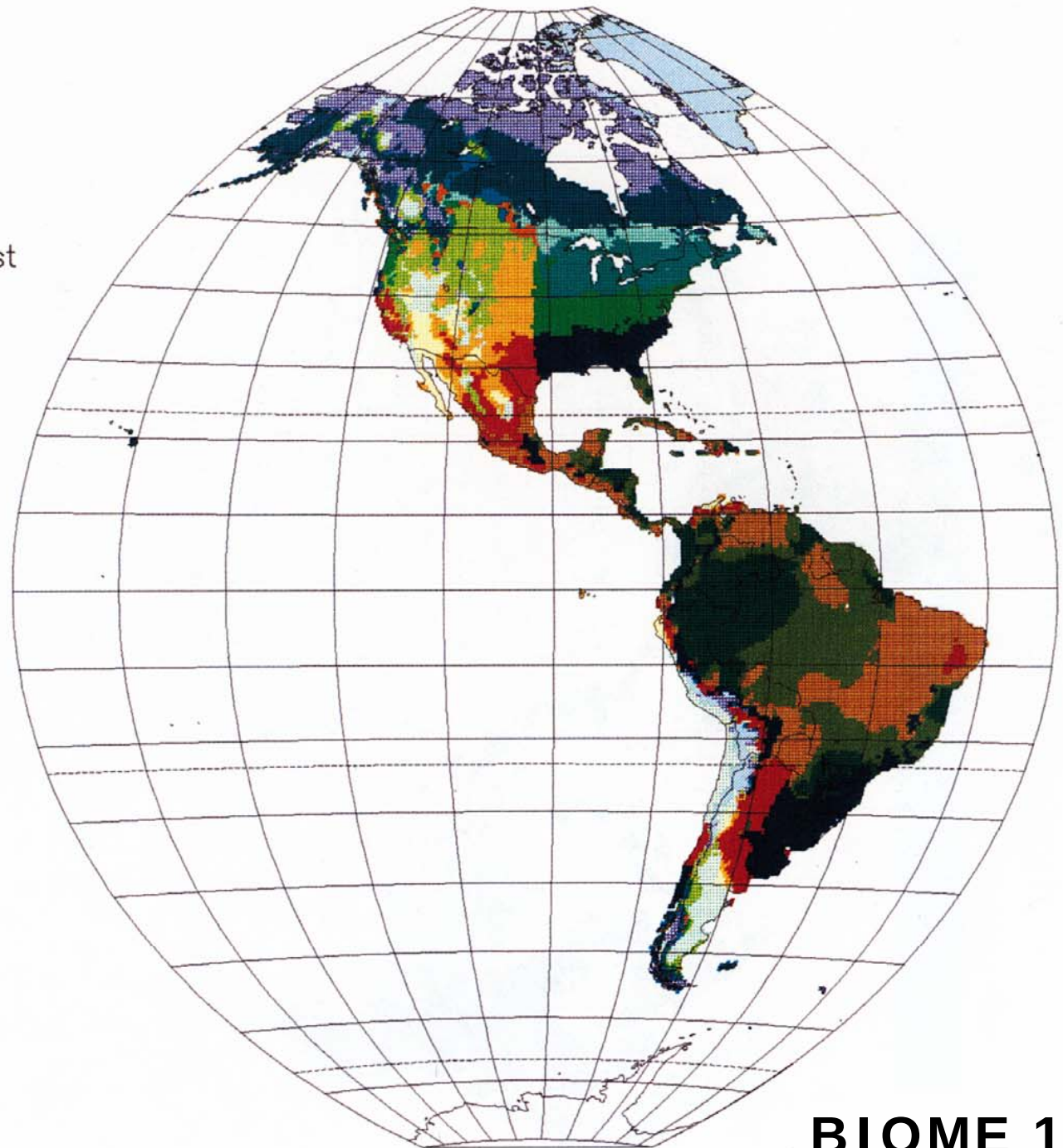
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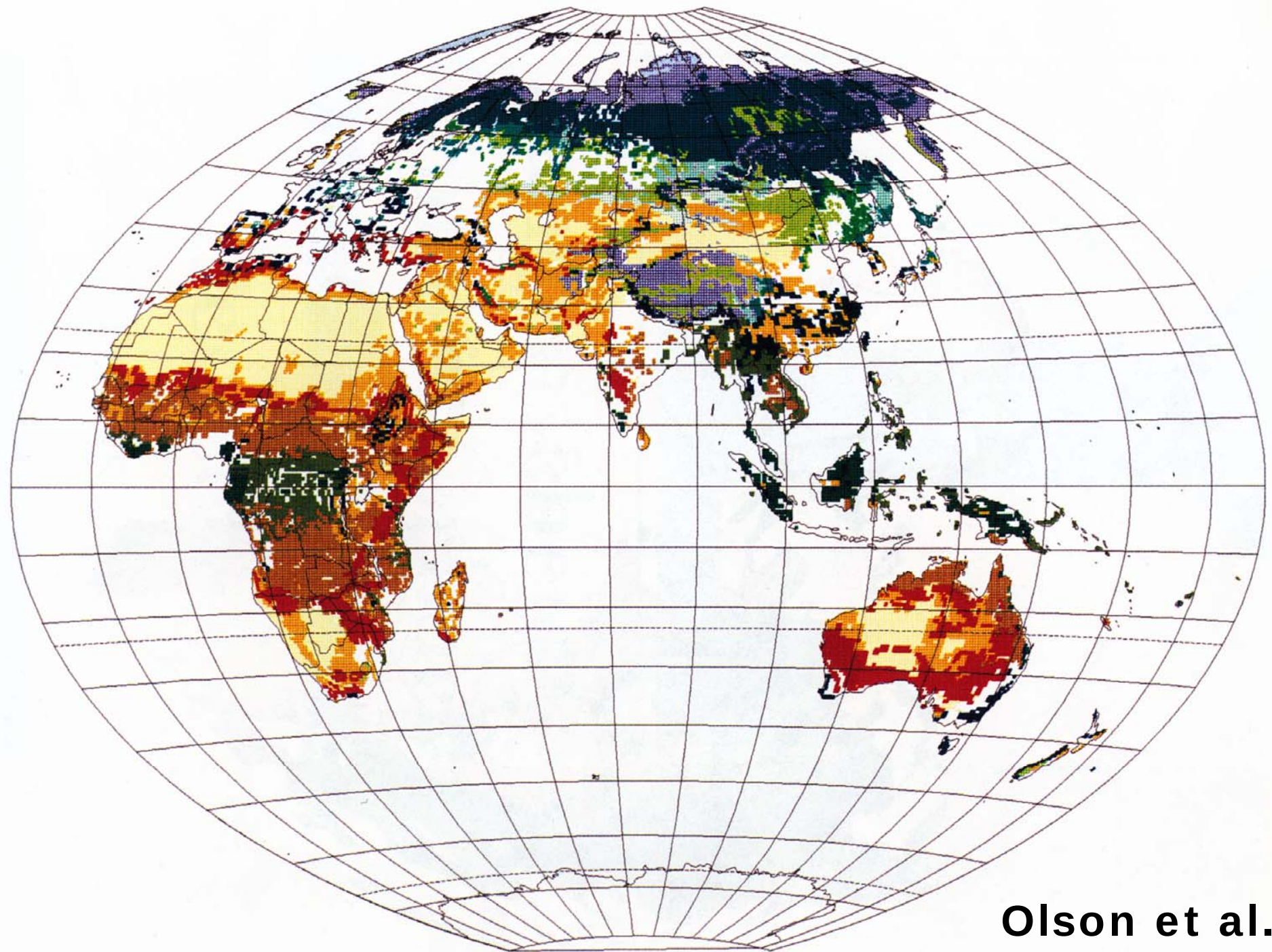
- „Driving“ data (climate, soils, CO₂, nutrients, etc.)
- Data for model testing (vegetation distribution, biogeochemical fluxes etc.)
- Appropriate spatial resolution



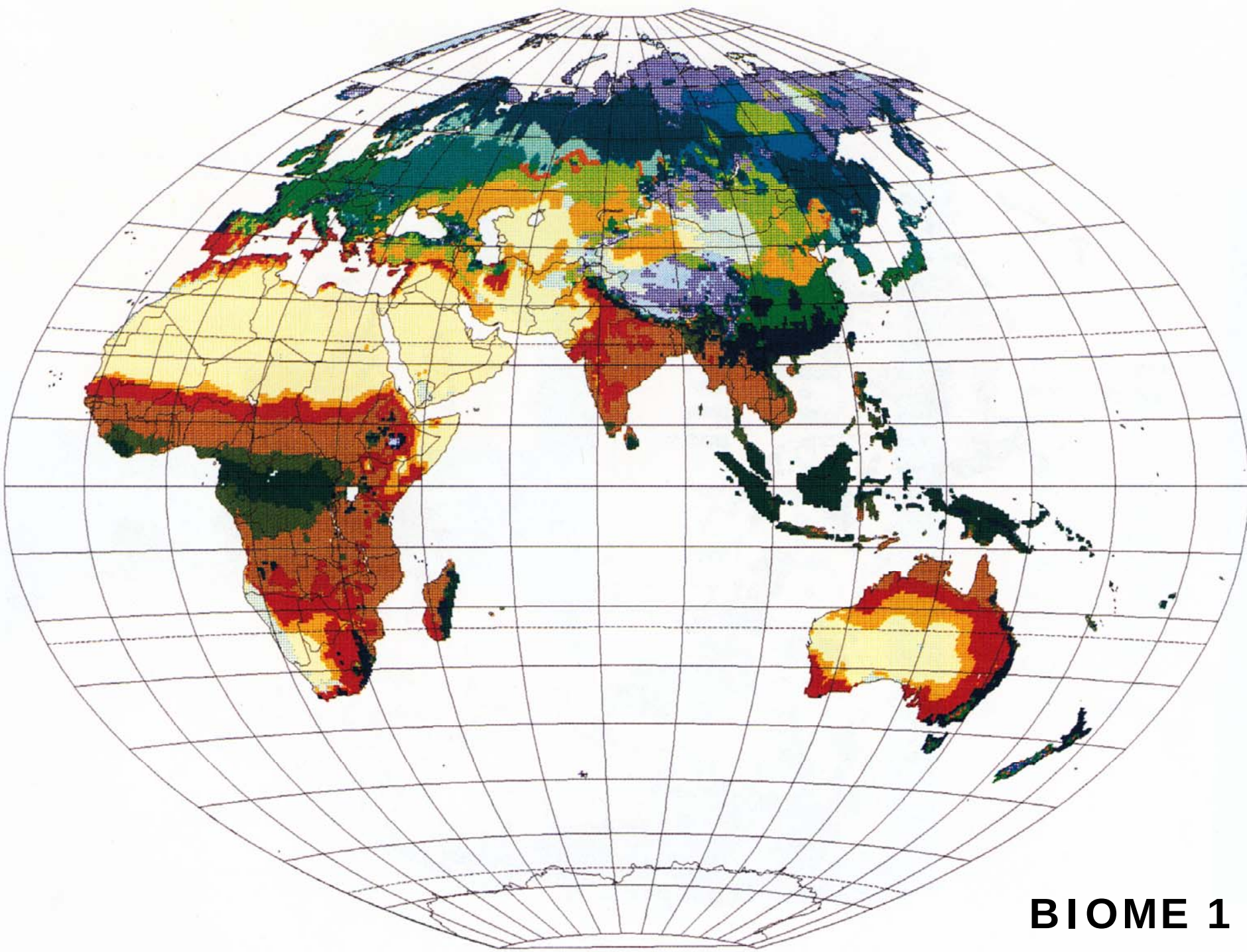
- Tropical Rain Forest
- Tropical Seasonal Forest
- Tropical Dry Forest/Savanna
- Evergreen/Warm mixed Forest
- Temperate Deciduous Forest
- Cool Mixed Forest
- Cool Conifer Forest
- Taiga
- Cold Mixed Forest
- Cold Deciduous Forest
- Xerophytic Woods/Shrub
- Warm Grass/Shrub
- Cool Grass/Shrub
- Tundra
- Hot Desert
- Semidesert
- Ice/Polar Desert



BIOME 1



Olson et al.



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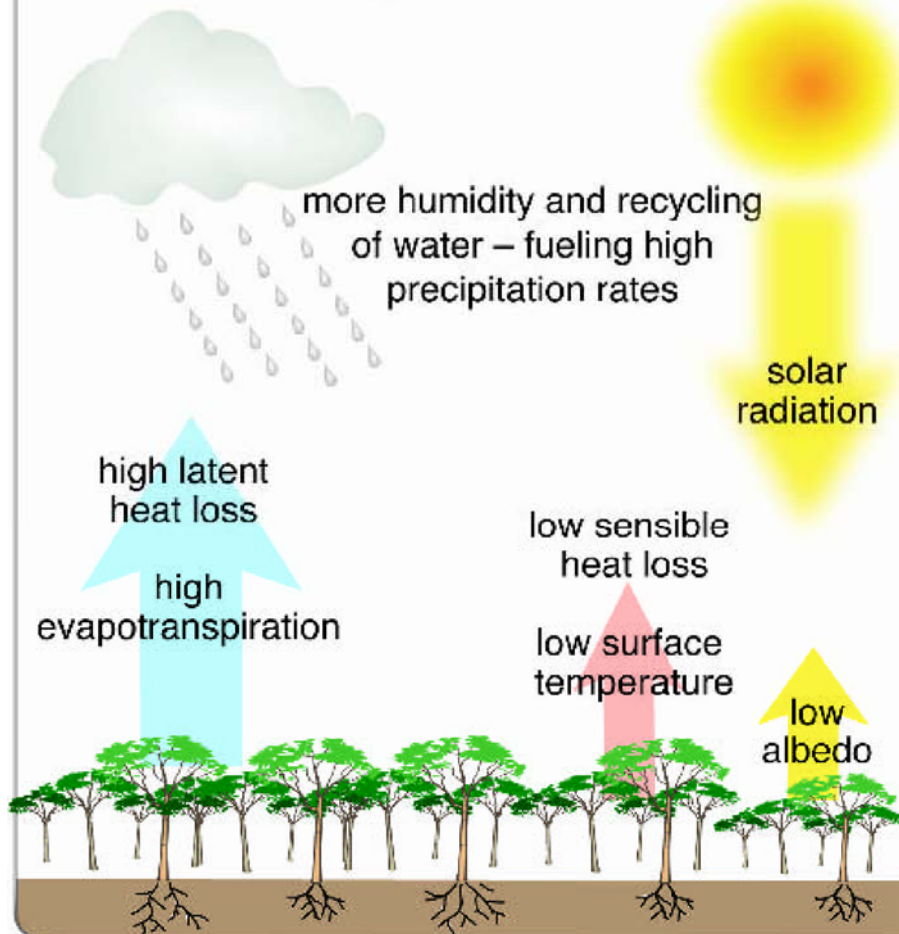
Critical gaps in understanding

- The importance of site history
- Soil carbon dynamics
- Ecosystem response to high atmospheric CO₂ concentrations
- Biodiversity (how many PFTs are sufficient?)
- Plant-animal interactions

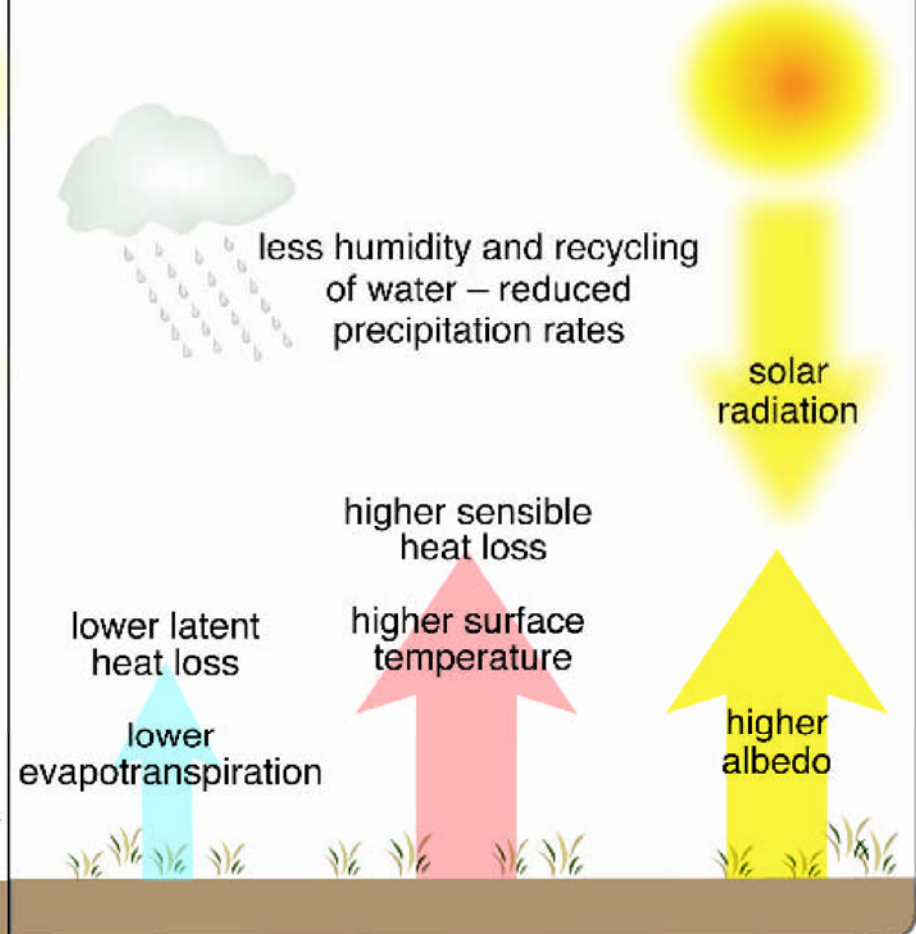
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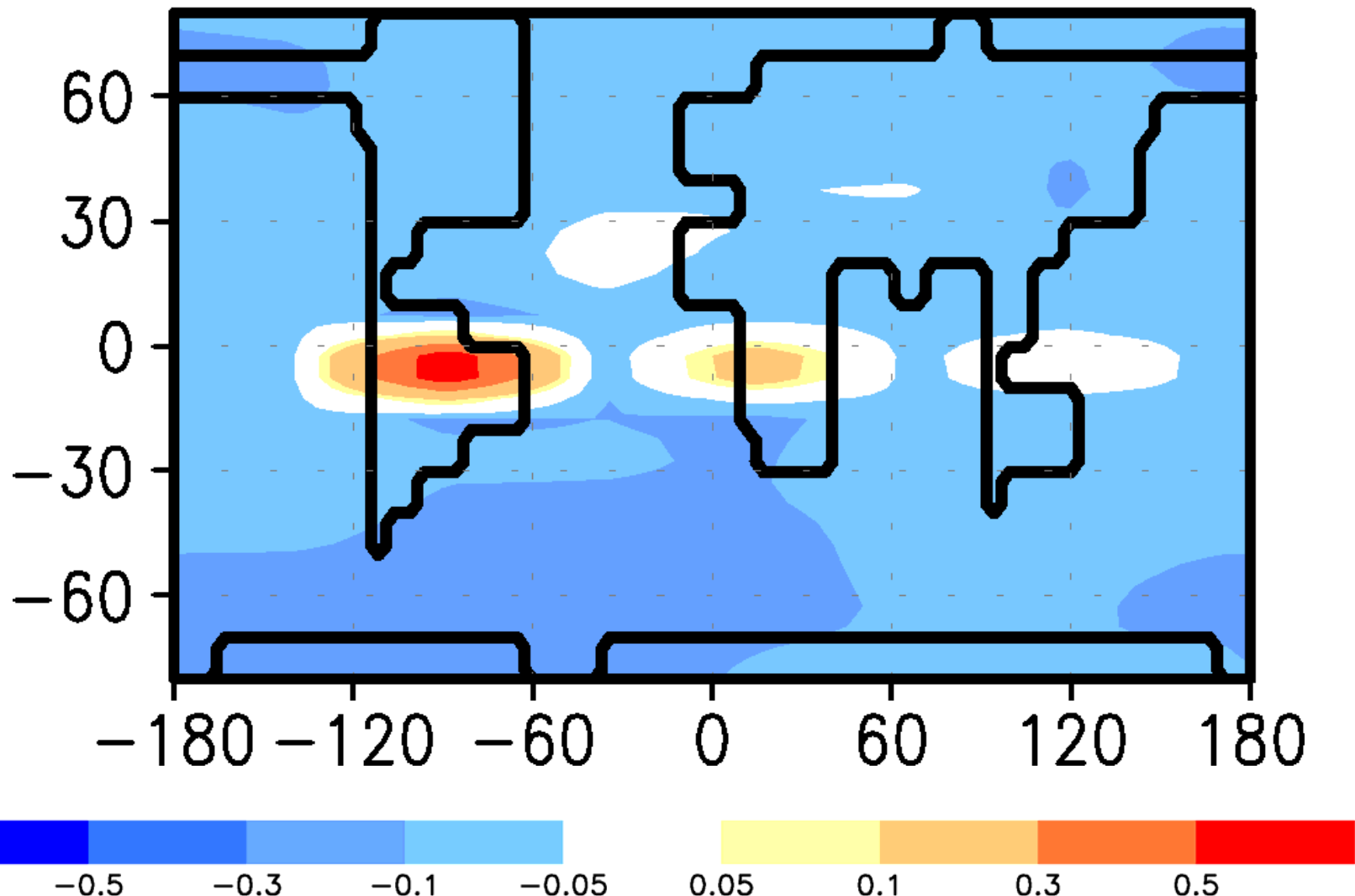
Case 1 - Vegetated



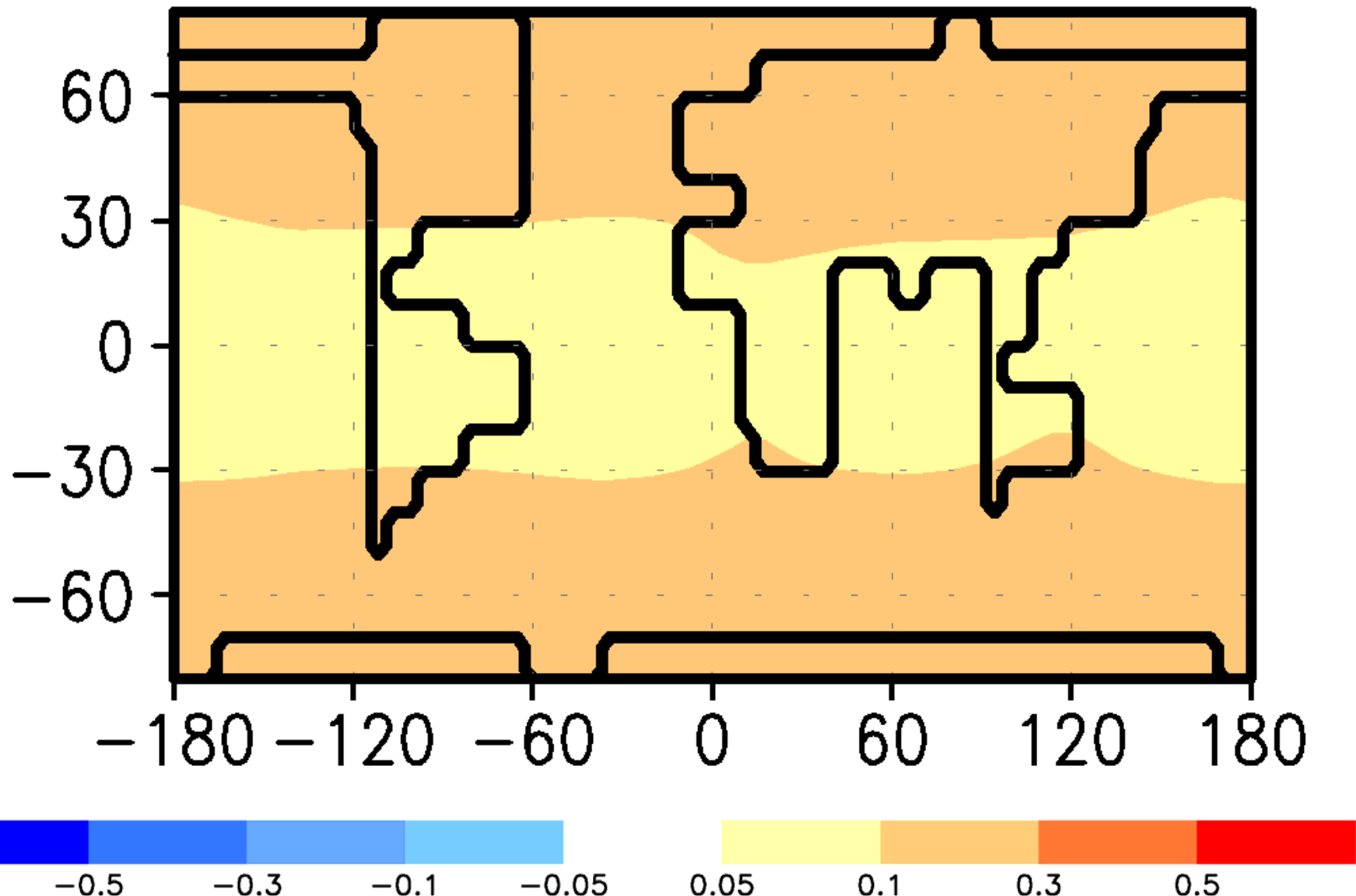
Case 2 - Deforested



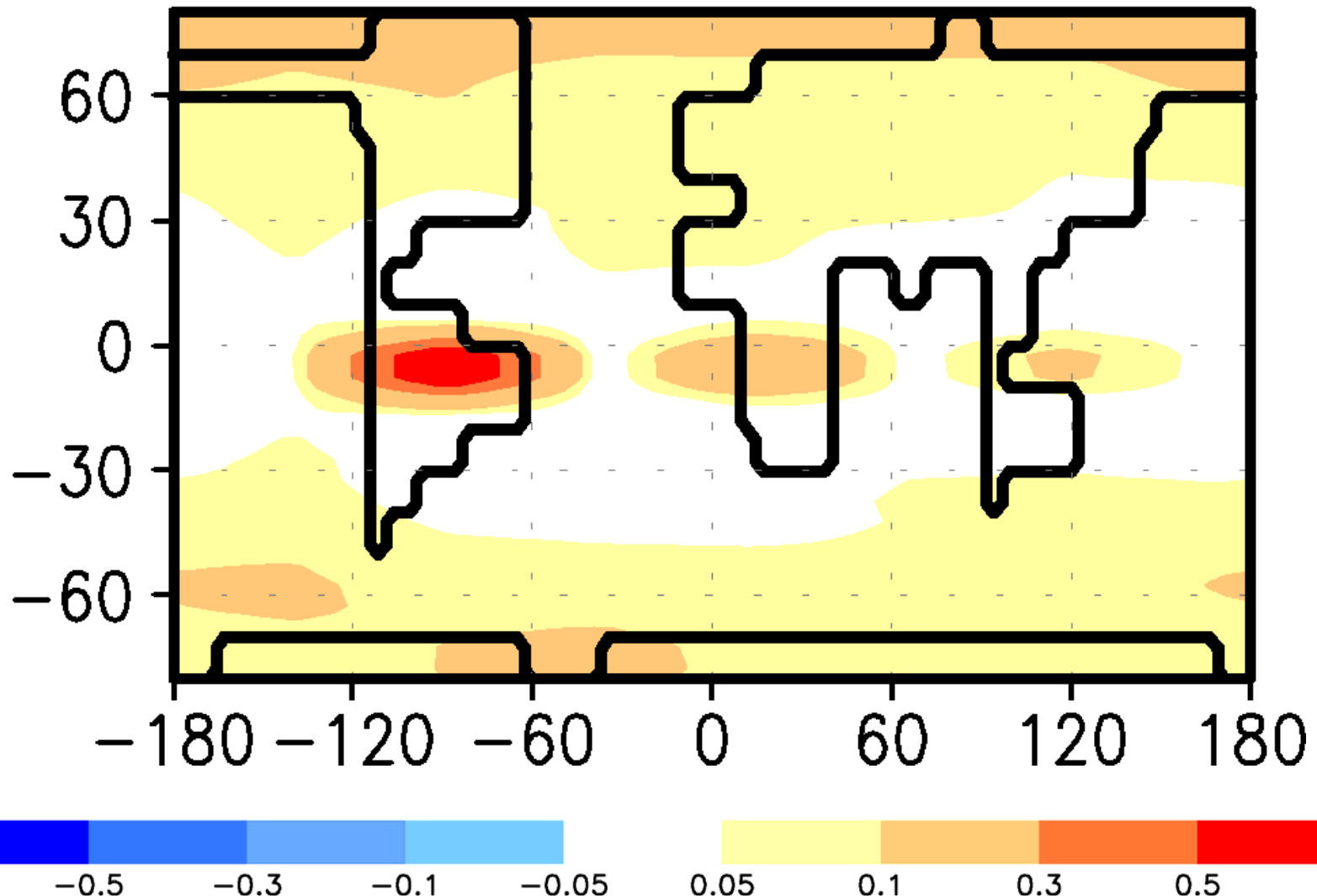
Tropical deforestation: physical impacts



Tropical deforestation: biogeochemical impacts

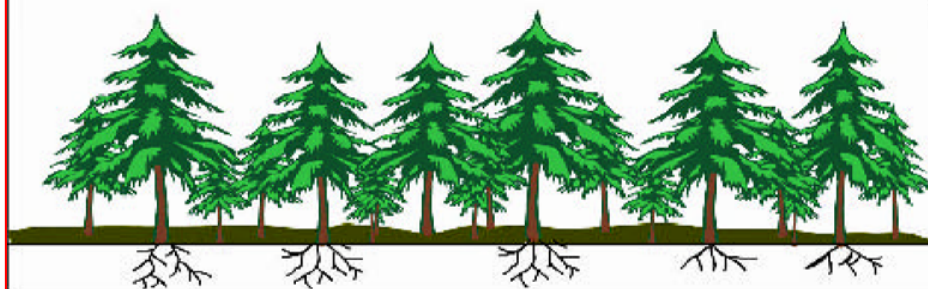


Tropical deforestation: combined impacts



Current Climate Scenario

current northern extent
of boreal forest →



solar
radiation

high
albedo

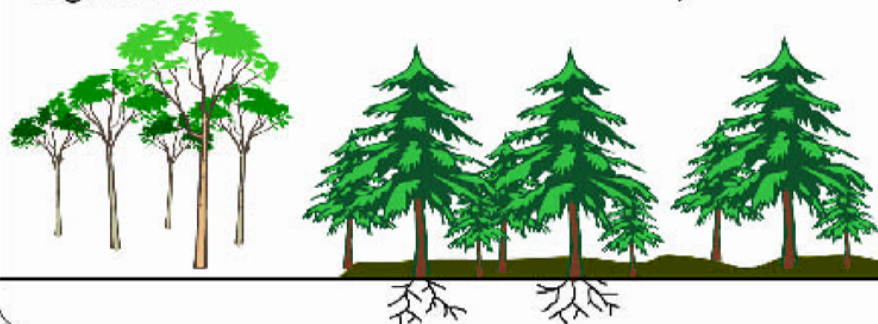


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Global Warming Scenario

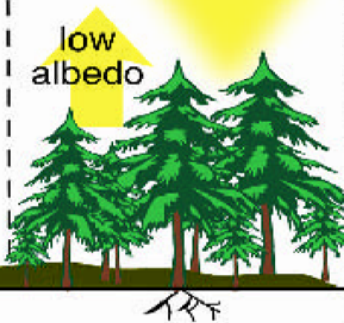
boreal forest replaced
by temperate
vegetation

northward forest migration →



solar
radiation

low
albedo



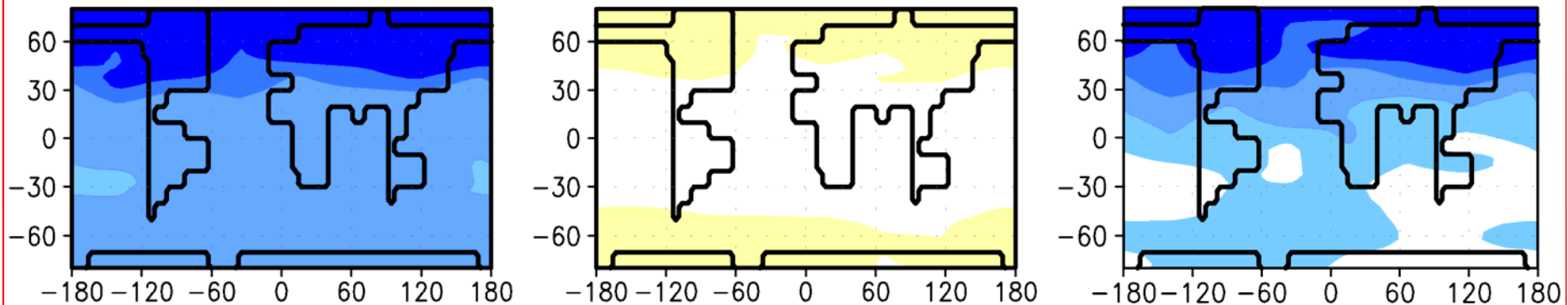
← new northern extent
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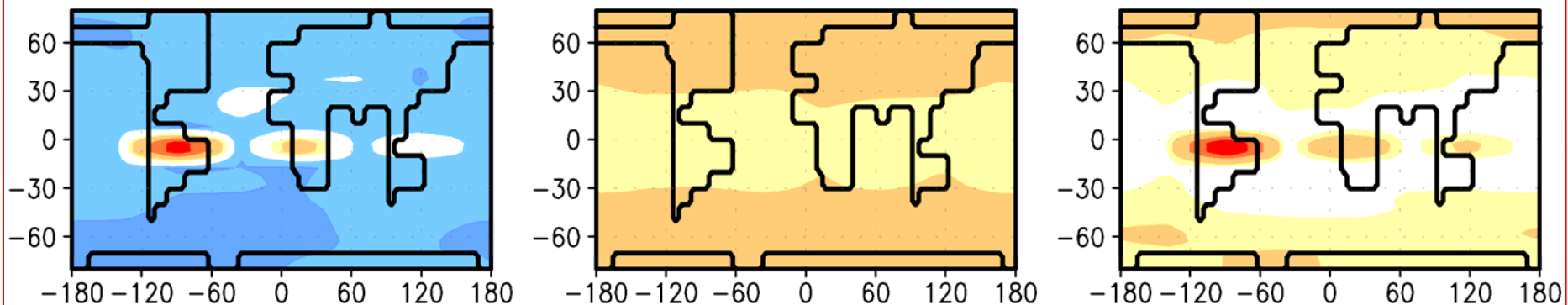
tundra / snow / ice

Impacts of deforestation on high and low latitudes

Total deforestation 50-60 °N:



Total deforestation 0-10 °S:



physical

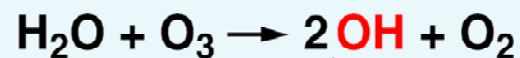
geochemical

combined



CHEMISTRY

UV



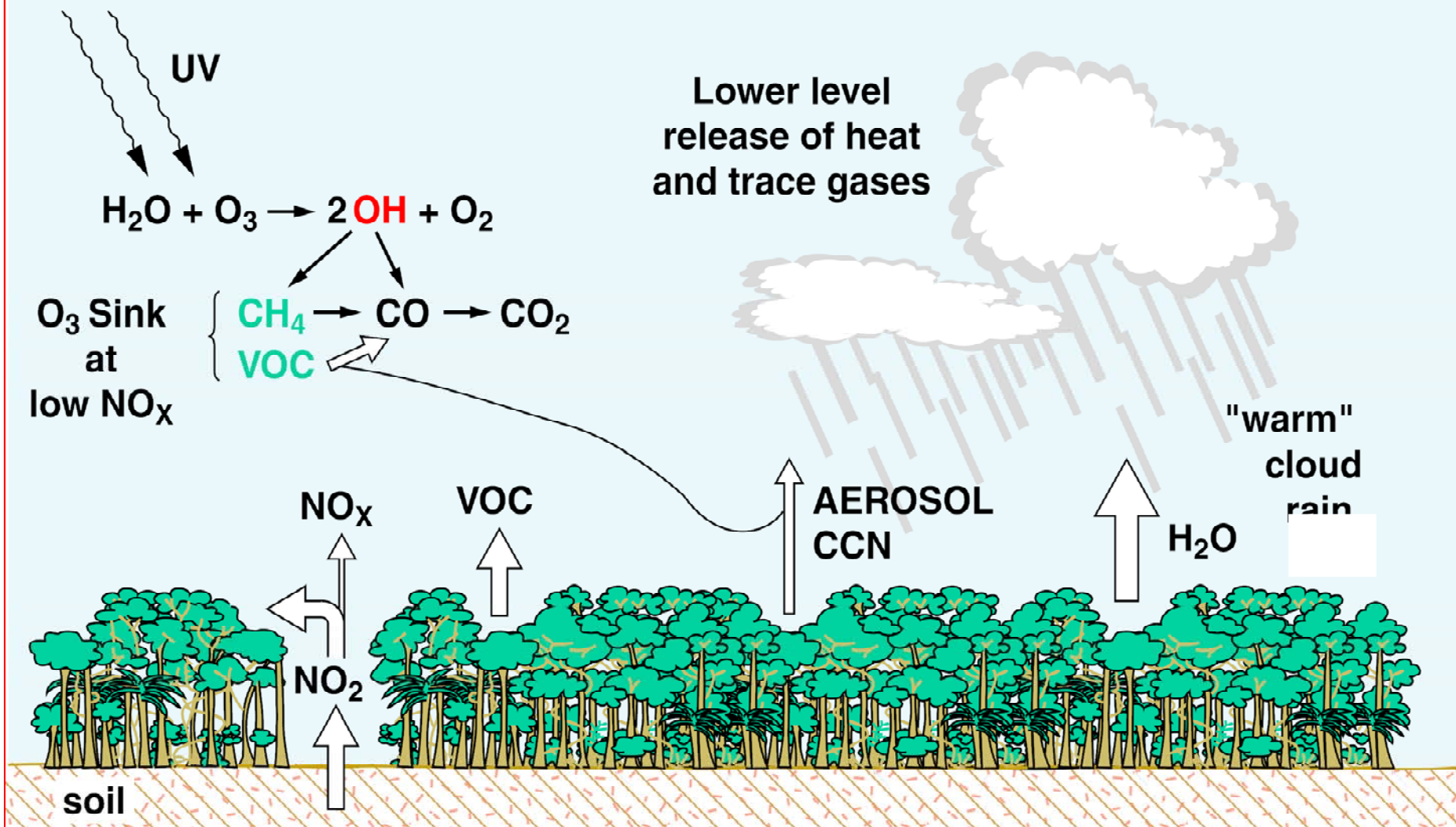
O₃ Sink
at
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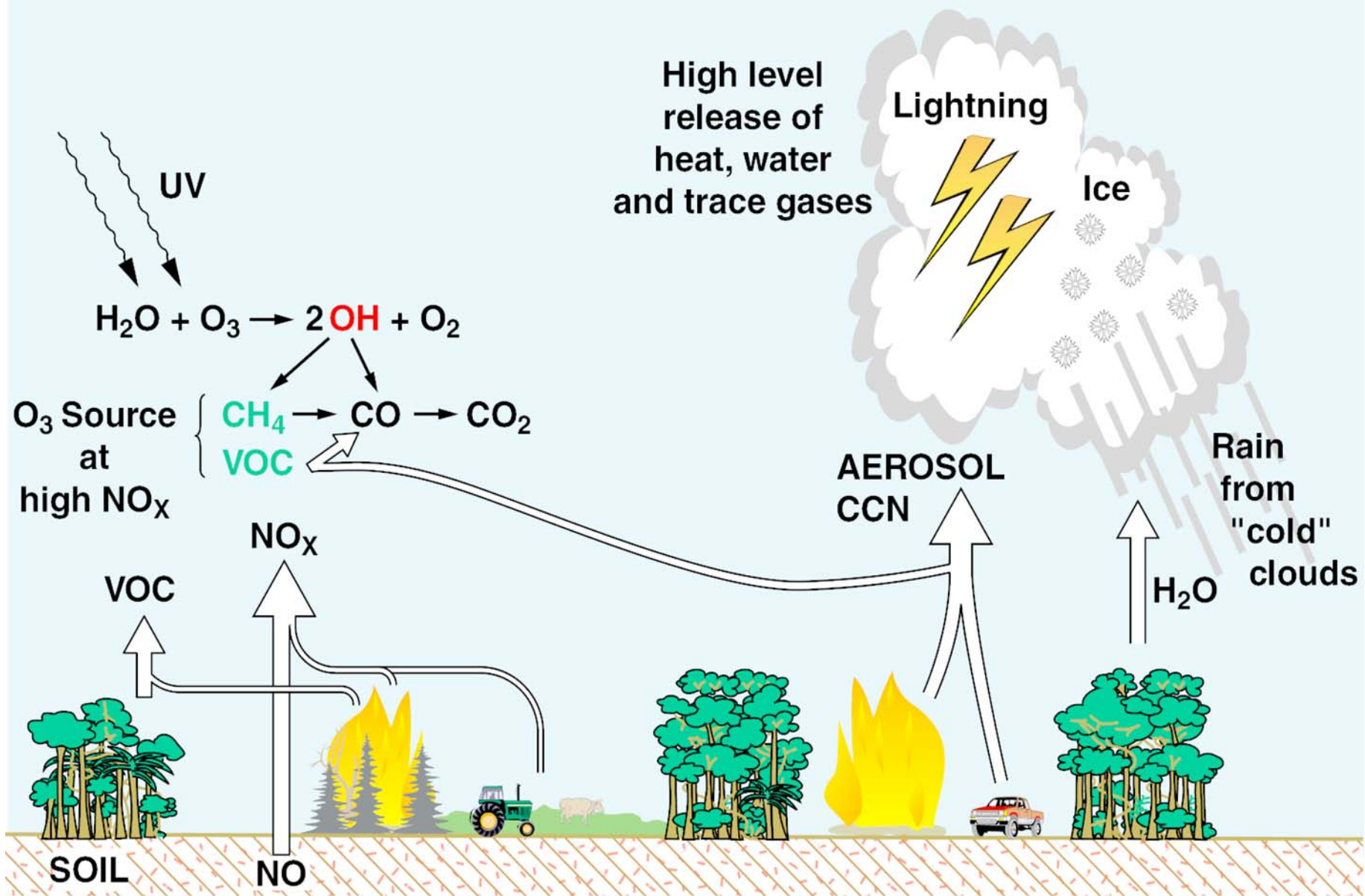
PHYSICS

Lower level
release of heat
and trace gases

"warm"
cloud
rain



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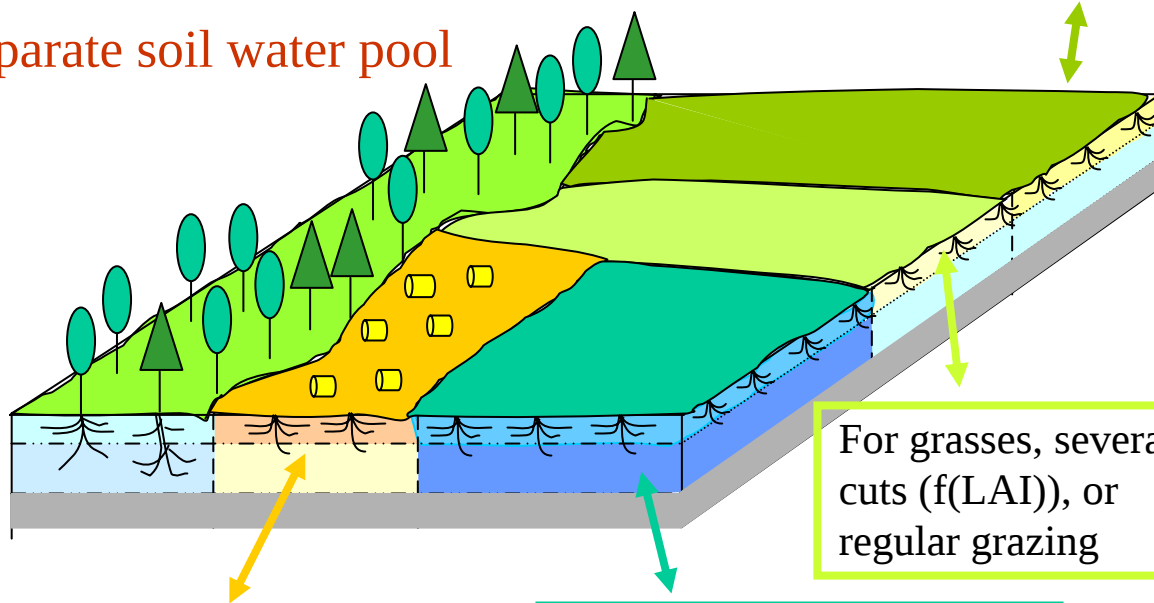
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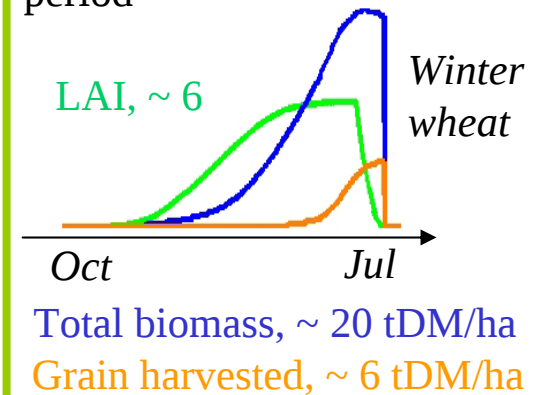
Implementation of agriculture within LPJ – how?

Adaptation of LPJ to simulate the carbon and water fluxes for crops: each CFT on a distinct stand with access to a separate soil water pool



Sowing date estimation:
for 4 temperate CFTs = $f(T)$,
for 4 tropical CFTs = $f(P)$
Adaptation of heat sum and
vernalization requirement

Daily coupled growth and
development simulation:
Phenology, LAI change,
carbon allocation to leaves,
roots, storage organs, ...
Estimation of the harvesting
period

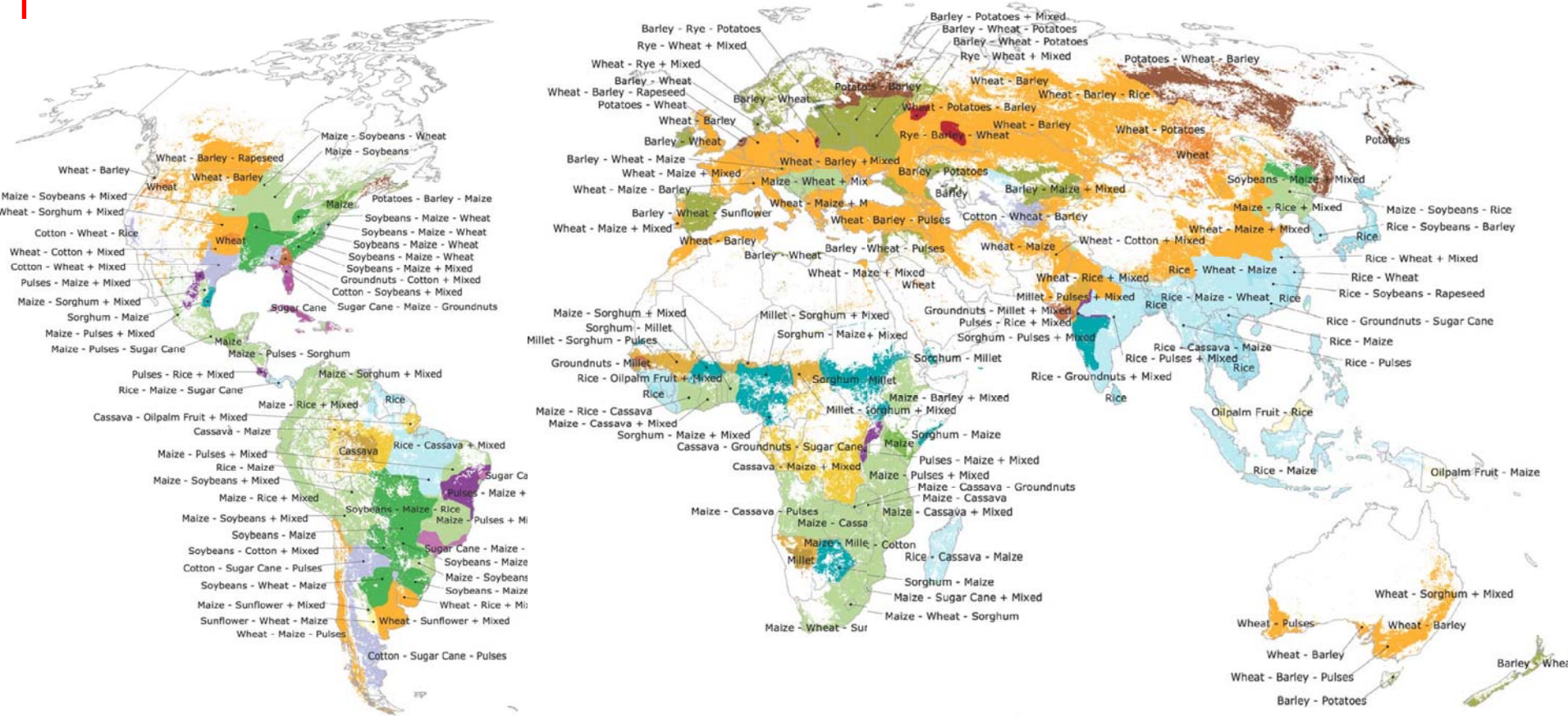


For grasses, several
cuts ($f(LAI)$), or
regular grazing

Harvested biomass
removed, residues sent to
the litter pool or removed
(fodder, biofuel, ...)

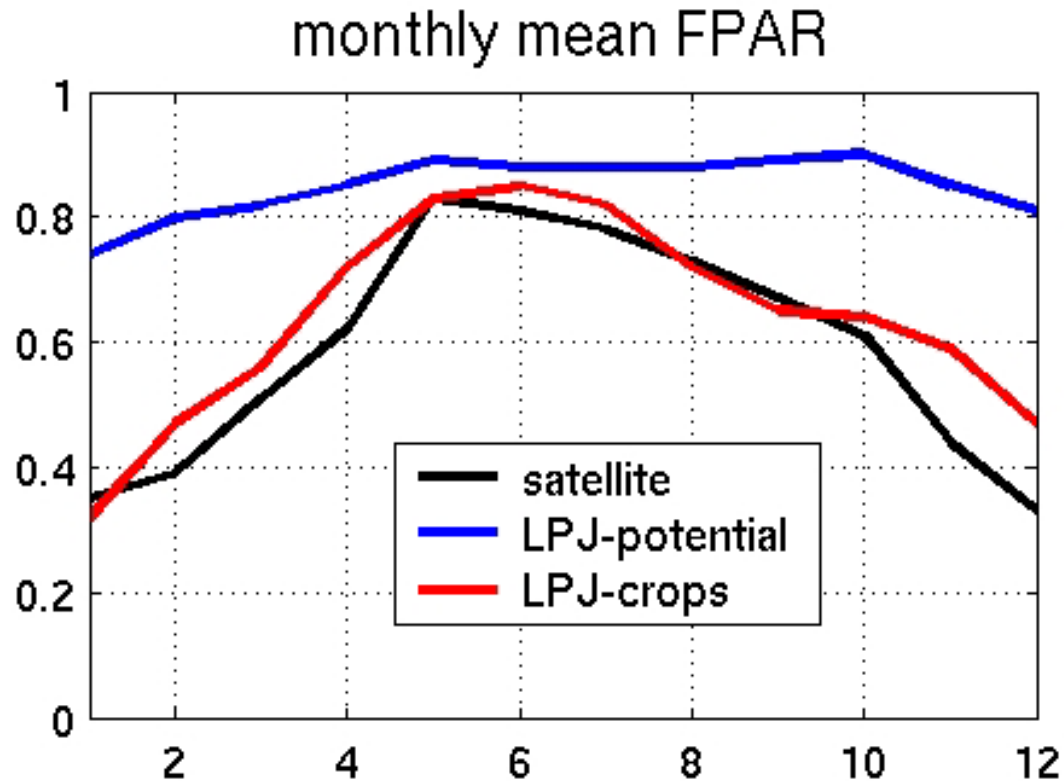
No water stress for
irrigated crops,
computation of the water
requirement and of the
effective irrigation

Possibility of multiple cropping
(e.g. rice)
Grass during the intercrop season
otherwise



1b) Distribution of the major 19 crops types

(Leff et al. 2004)



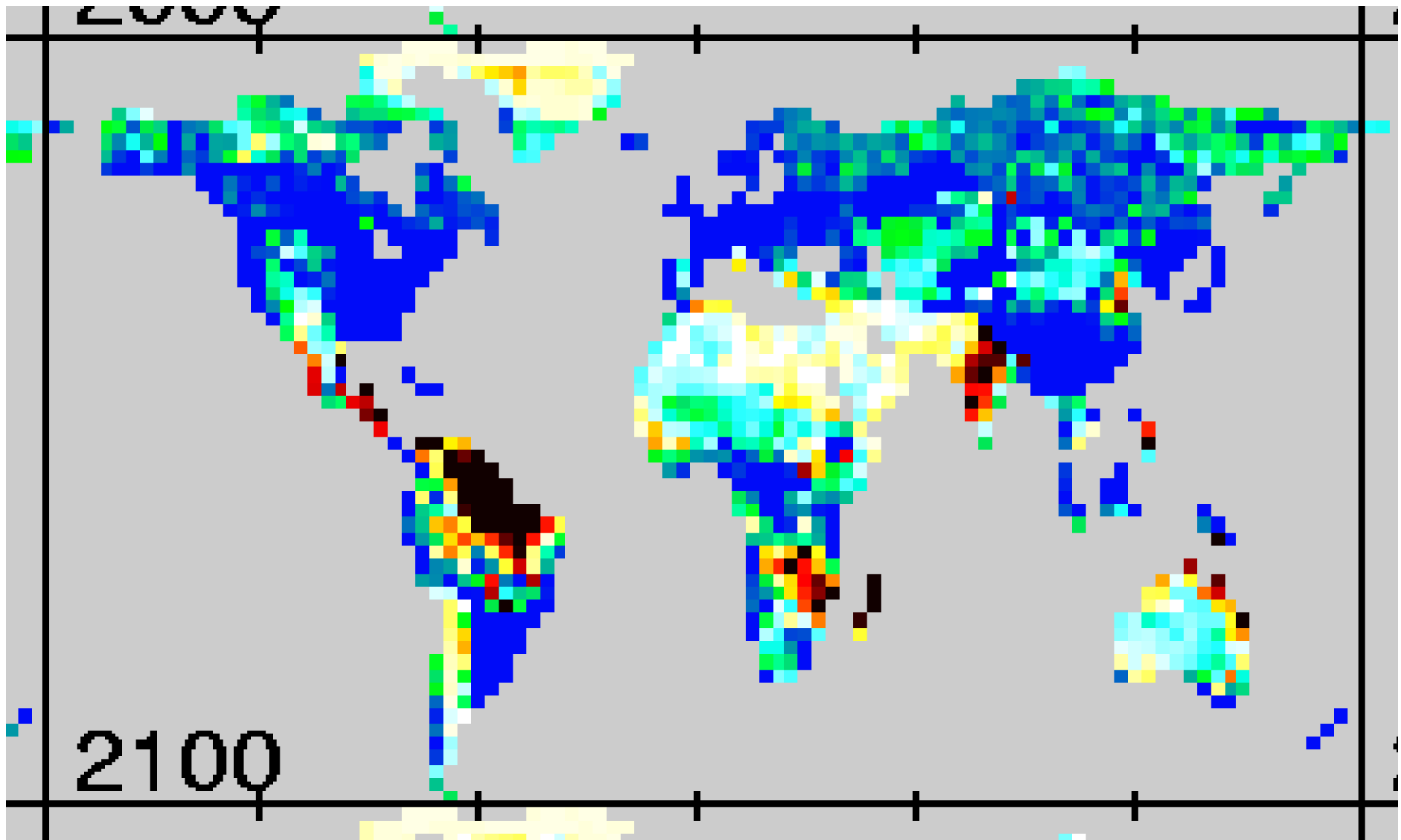
Phenological variations for the European temperate zone
[10°W-32°E; 34°N-72°N], period 1982-1998

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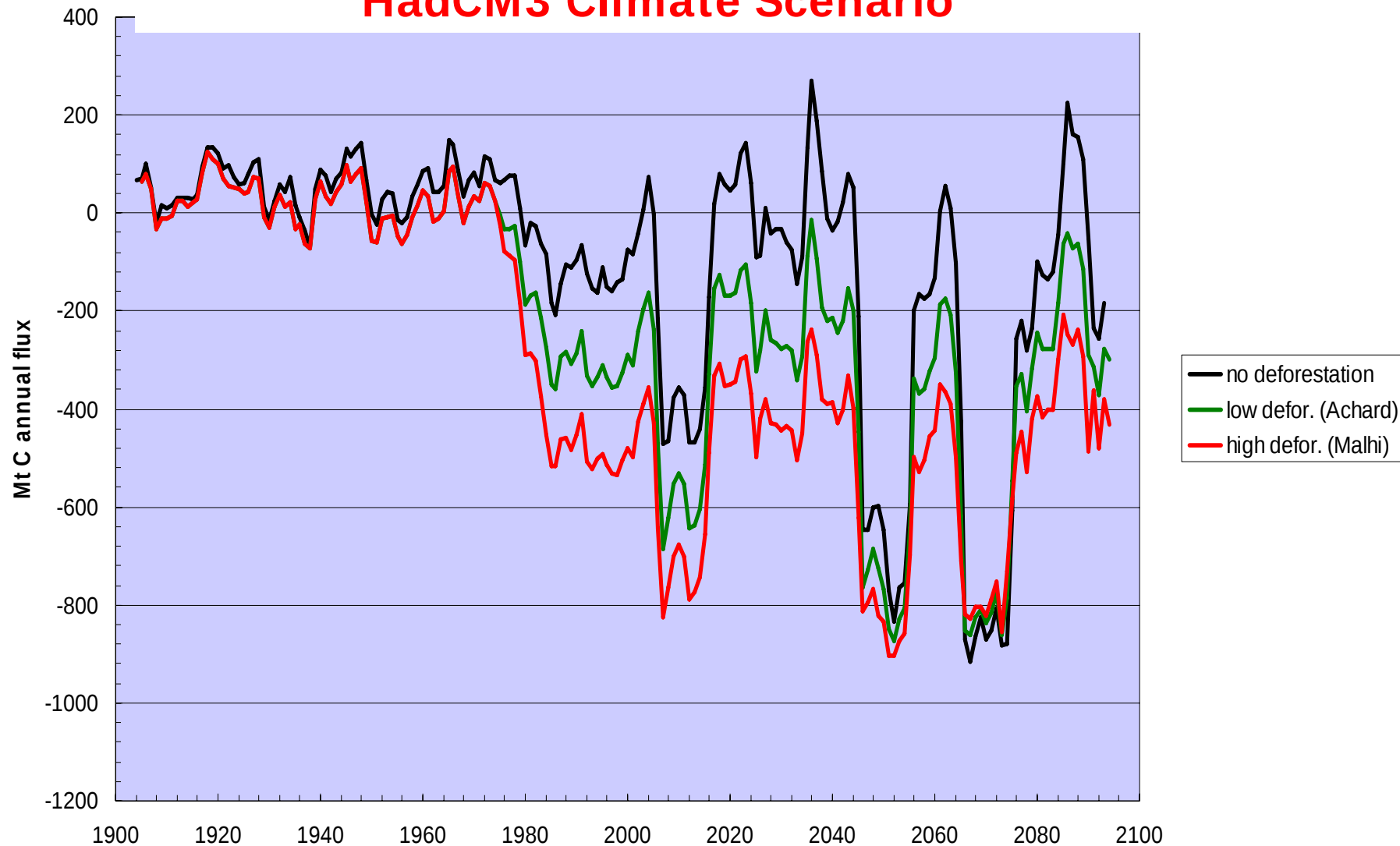
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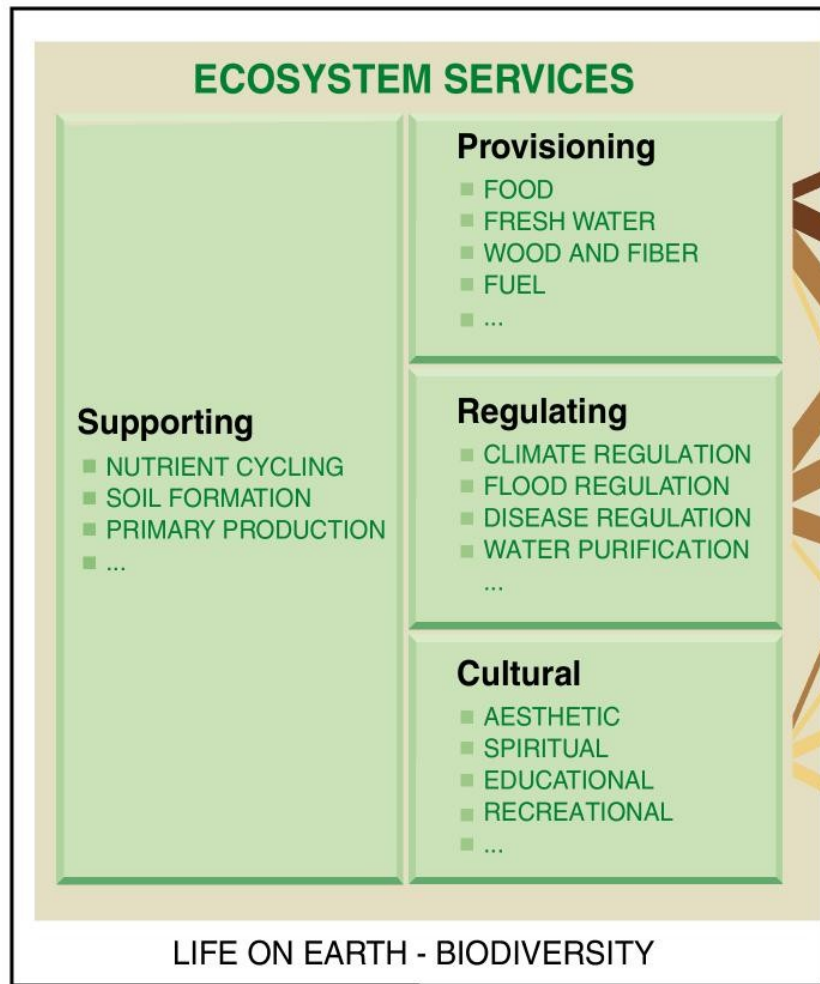
(g C m⁻² y⁻²)



C balance of the Amazon for different rates of deforestation (10yr running means)

HadCM3 Climate Scenario





CONSTITUENTS OF WELL-BEING



Source: Millennium Ecosystem Assessment

ARROW'S COLOR

Potential for mediation by socioeconomic factors

- Low
- Medium
- High

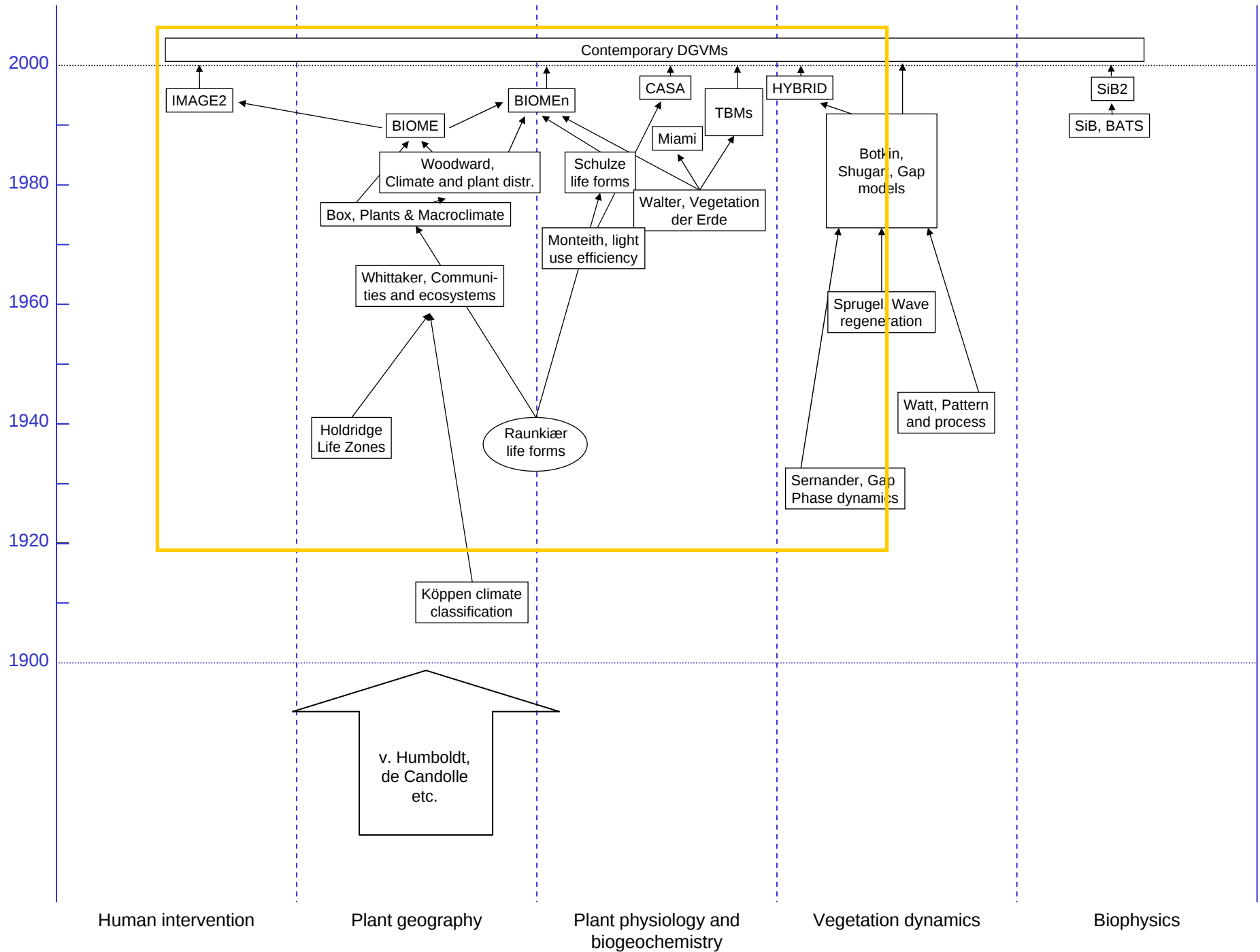
ARROW'S WIDTH

Intensity of linkages between ecosystem services and human well-being

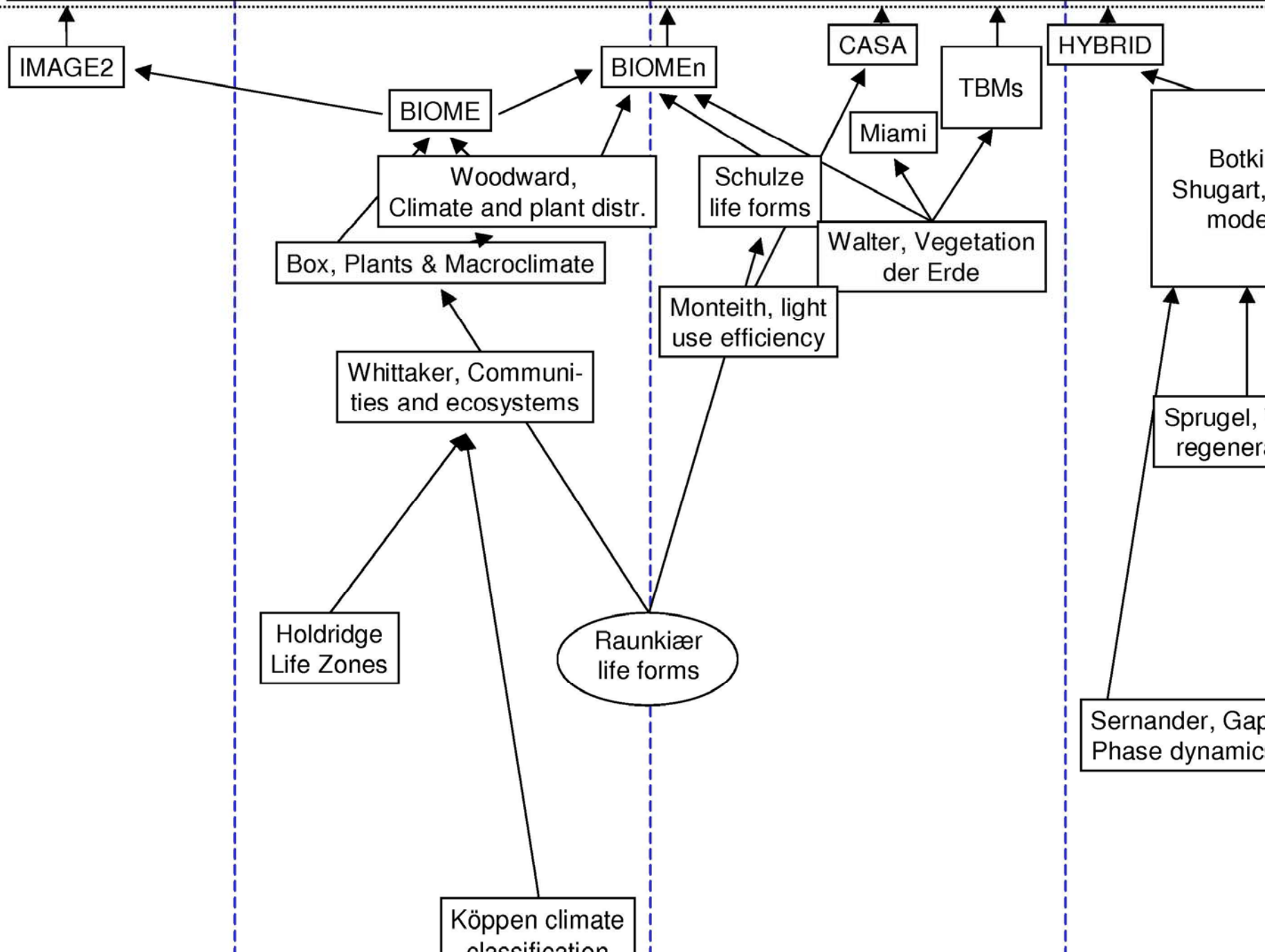
- Weak
- Medium
- Strong

„Fully coupled“ Earth System models

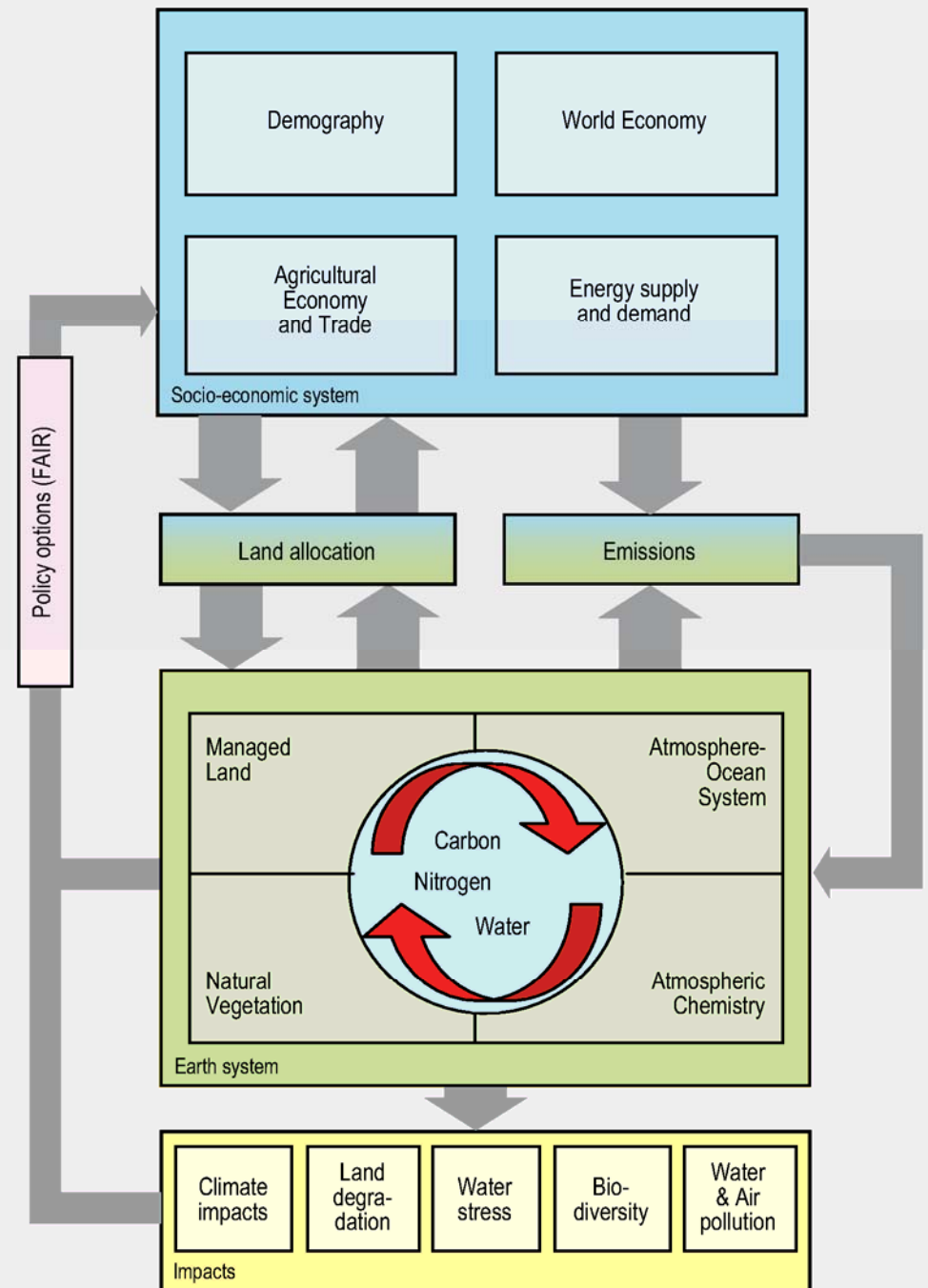
- Biosphere coupled to atmosphere (physical and biogeochemical feedbacks) but also to anthroposphere (land use change and changed land use potential)
- Main problem: iterative modelling of climate & biosphere, optimization modelling of economic component (usually approximated through scenario analysis)



Contemporary DGVMs



The IMAGE Model 2.4



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- The land surface can be modelled for multiple purposes, requiring different methods
- Significant open questions remain about the carbon cycle and the potential future functioning of the land biosphere