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Tuning CLM6

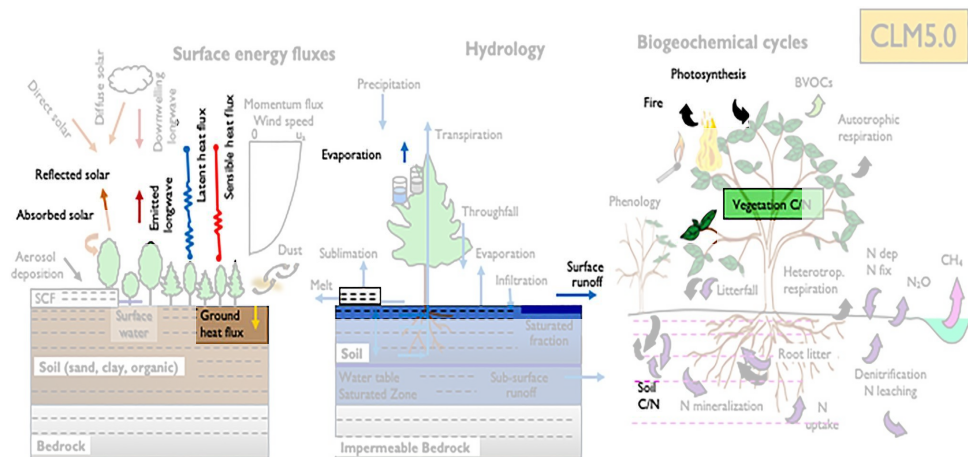
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Tuning CLM6 for CESM3

- 1) Align model output with observational constraints across diverse ecosystems.
- 2) Don't mess anything else up.



We only directly observe a small fraction of the processes simulated in CLM.

Constraining parametric uncertainty

History Matching

- CLM6, 56 parameters

Wave 0: 1500 ensemble members

- Latin Hypercube sample
- Scaled PFT parameters

Wave 1: 500 ensemble members

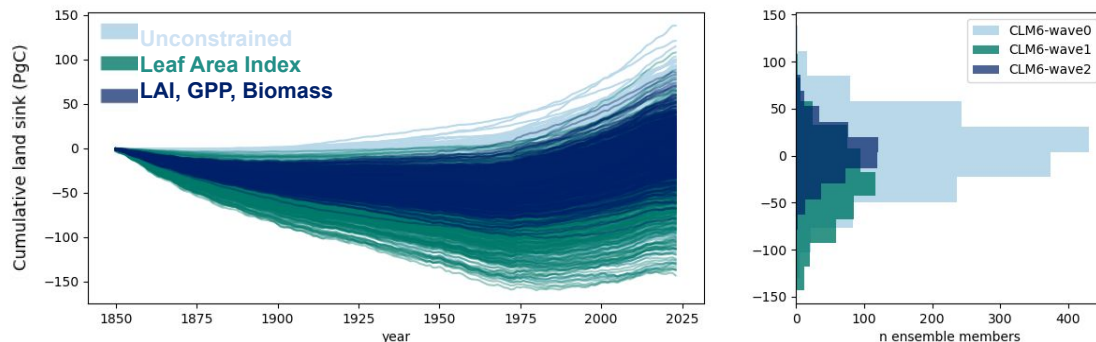
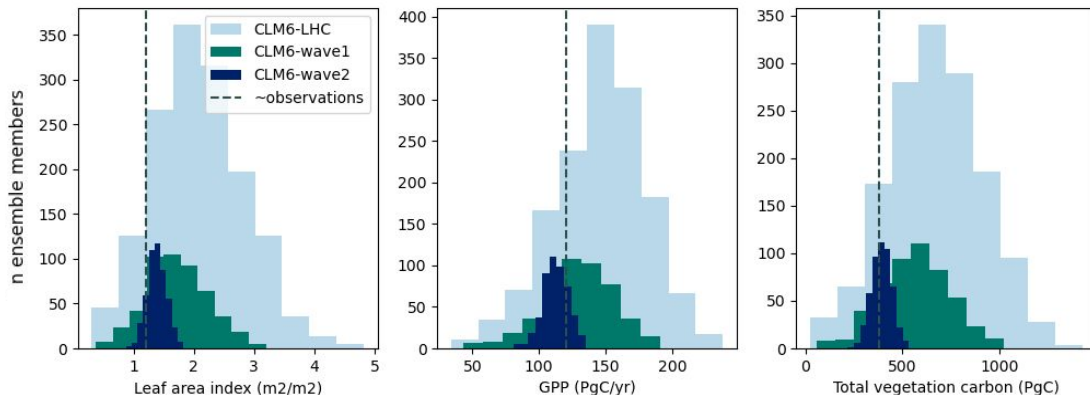
- Independent PFT parameters
- Leaf Area Index

Wave 2: 500 ensemble members

- Independent PFT parameters
- LAI, GPP, VegC

Wave 3: 500 ensemble members

- LAI, GPP, VegC, LH, SH

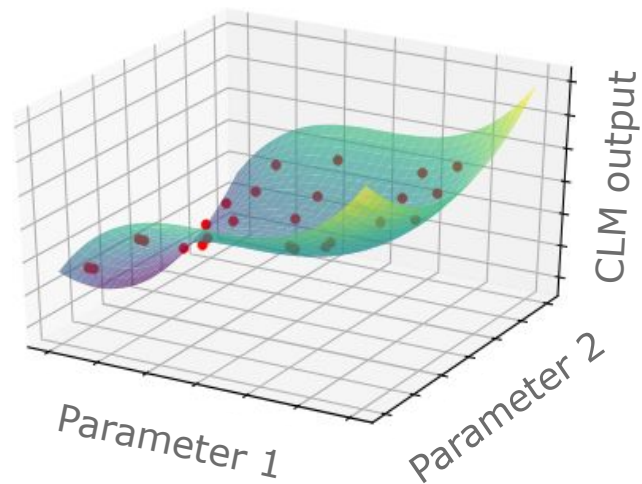


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ML emulators

- Computationally efficient surrogate for CLM.
- Maps input parameters to output variables
- Differentiable



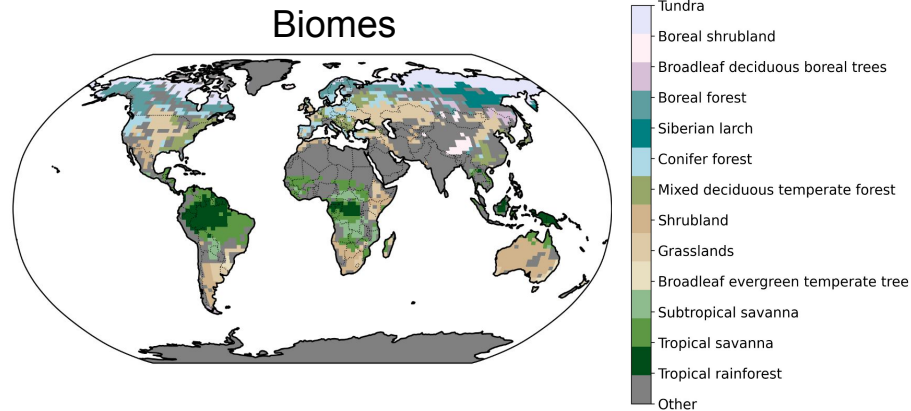
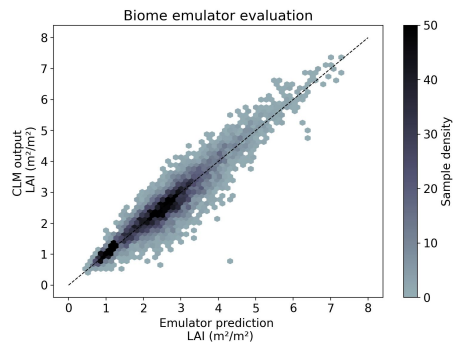
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CLM emulators

- Training: 2500 ensemble members
- Independent PFT parameters
- Gaussian process regression
- Biome & variable specific



	R ² score												
LAI	0.98	0.97	0.95	0.98	0.96	0.94	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.96	0.96	0.96
GPP	0.94	0.92	0.96	0.96	0.95	0.93	0.97	0.96	0.97	0.97	0.95	0.97	0.97
Veg C	0.96	0.97	0.94	0.95	0.93	0.94	0.97	0.97	0.96	0.96	0.95	0.85	0.93
	Biomes												

Calibration methods

	Objective	Output	Uncertainty quantification?	Uses gradients?	Scales well?
MCMC	Sampling proportional to likelihood $\times$ prior	Ensemble of samples from posterior	Yes	No (unless using HMC)	No
Numerical optimization	Minimizing a loss or cost function	Point estimate (best-fit parameters)	No	Depends on method	Depends on method
Gradient based optimization (ADAM)	Minimizing a loss or cost function	Point estimate (best-fit parameters)	No	Yes	Yes

$\theta \rightarrow \text{Emulator}(\theta) \rightarrow \text{variable} \rightarrow \text{Loss}$

$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}$$



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Calibrating CLM6 for CESM3

Gradient-based optimization (ADAM)

- Differentiable emulator and loss function constructed in TensorFlow enables end-to-end gradient computation.

Observational data (ILAMB)

- LAI, GPP, Biomass, Latent heat, Sensible heat

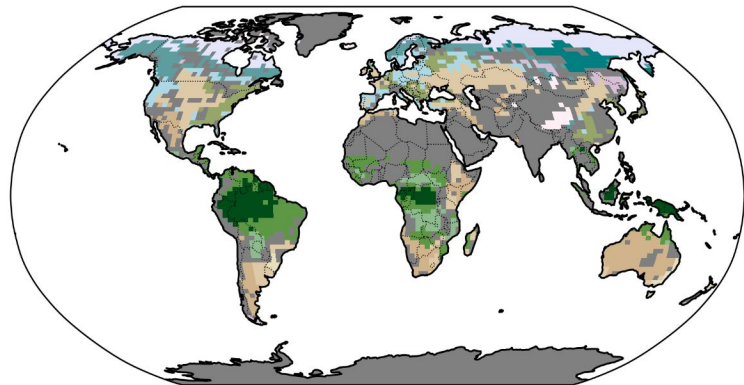
195 parameters

- Independent PFT parameters

Optimization

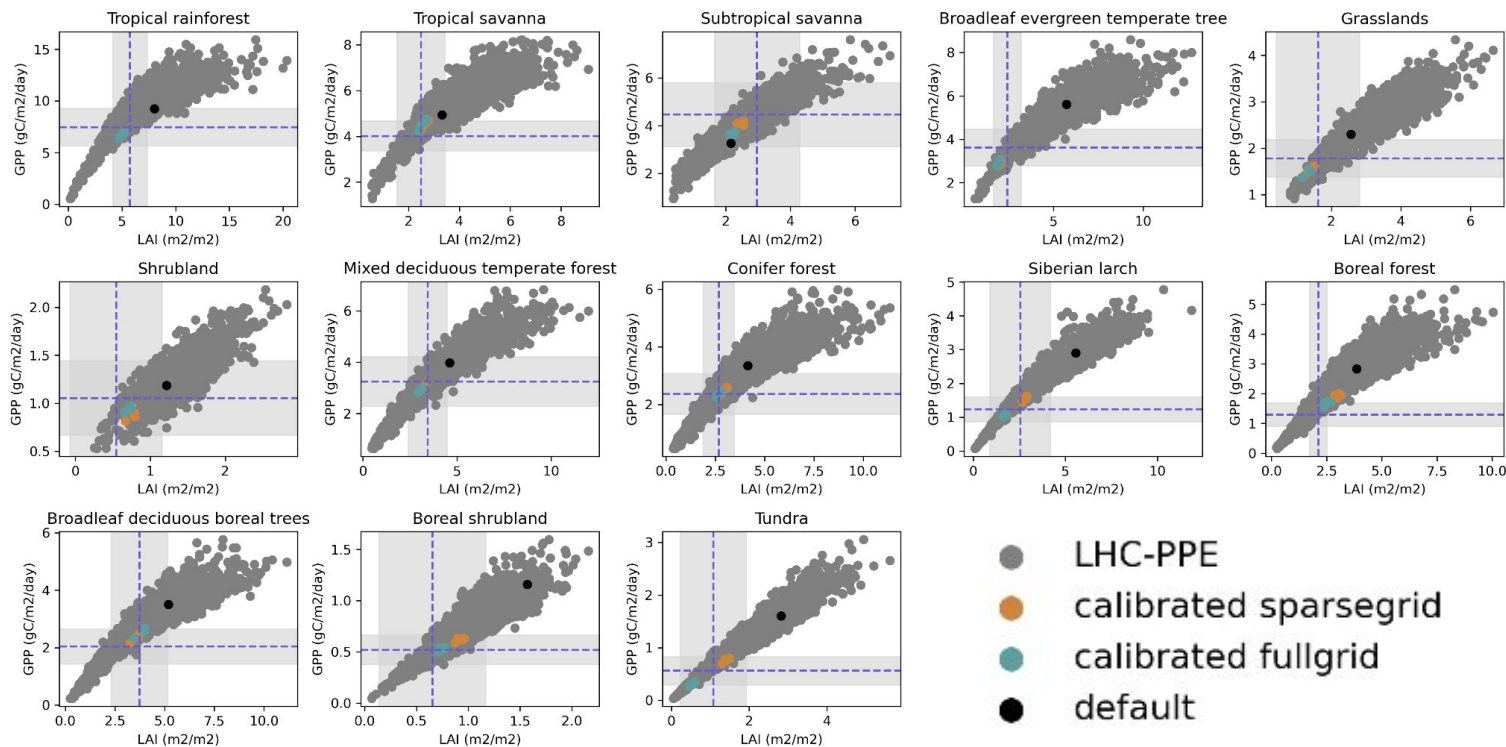
- Initialize from random sample close to default.
- Penalty for moving away from default parameters
- Terms stop contributing to loss once z-score < 1

Biomes



$$loss = \sum_v^{\text{variables}} \sum_b^{\text{biomes}} (Z_{v,b}^2) + \text{penalty}$$

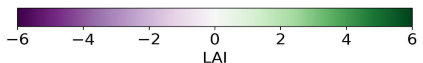
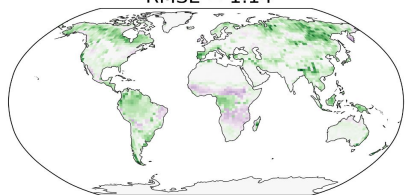
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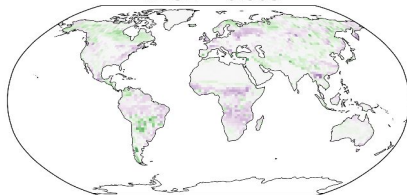
Default

Default - Observed
RMSE = 1.14

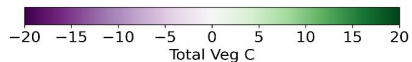
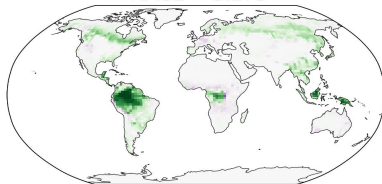


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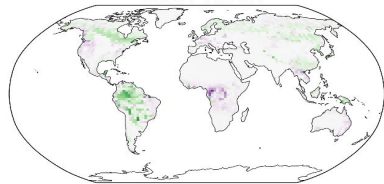
Tuned - Observed
RMSE = 0.803



Default - Observed
RMSE = 3.173



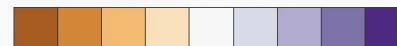
Tuned - Observed
RMSE=2.311



Ecosystem and Carbon Cycle

	Tuned v0	Tuned v1	Tuned v2	Tuned v3	Tuned v4	Default
Biomass						
Burned Area						
Carbon Dioxide						
Gross Primary Productivity						
Leaf Area Index						
Global Net Ecosystem Carbon Balance						
Net Ecosystem Exchange						
Ecosystem Respiration						
Soil Carbon						
Nitrogen Fixation						
Methane						

Relative Scale



Worse Value

Better Value

Challenges

- Metric alignment
- Evolving code base
- Different applications: site, regional, global, resolution, science questions, etc.
- Feedbacks when coupled to atmosphere



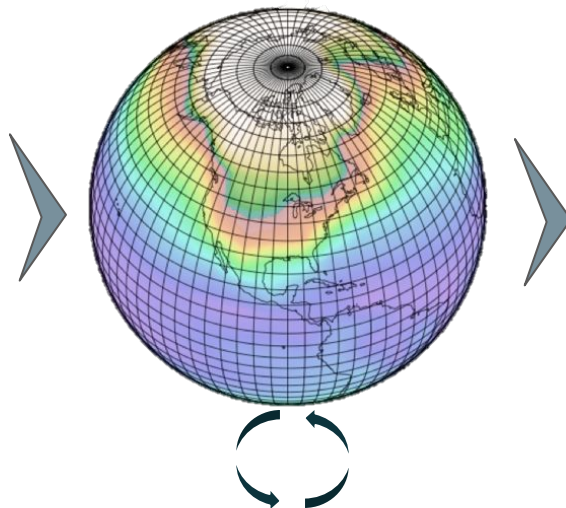
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Idealized future system

CLMulator

Training data:

- Reanalysis
- PI, Historical, Future
- Coupled
- Variable sparse grids



Application:

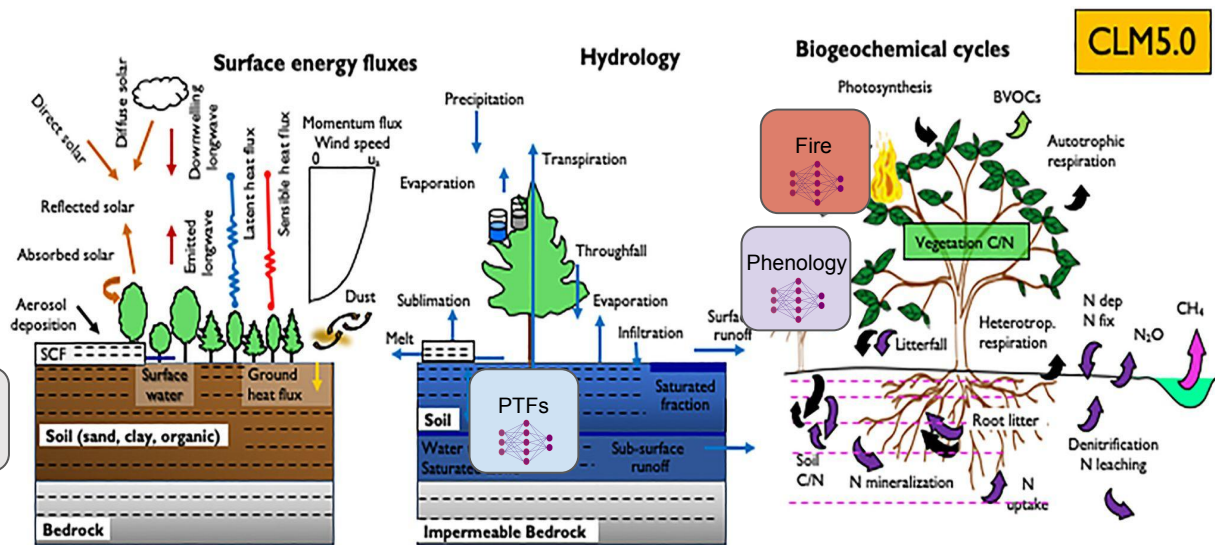
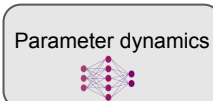
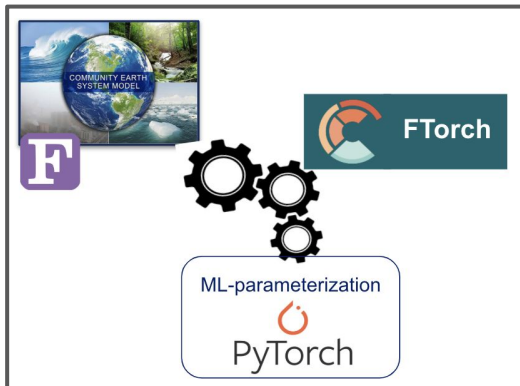
User: parameters, domain, metrics

Returns: predictions, sensitivity,
calibrated parameter sets

New parameterization:

- Small ensemble
- Fine tune

Hybrid CLM: ML parameterizations in development



Adapted from Lawrence et al., (2019)

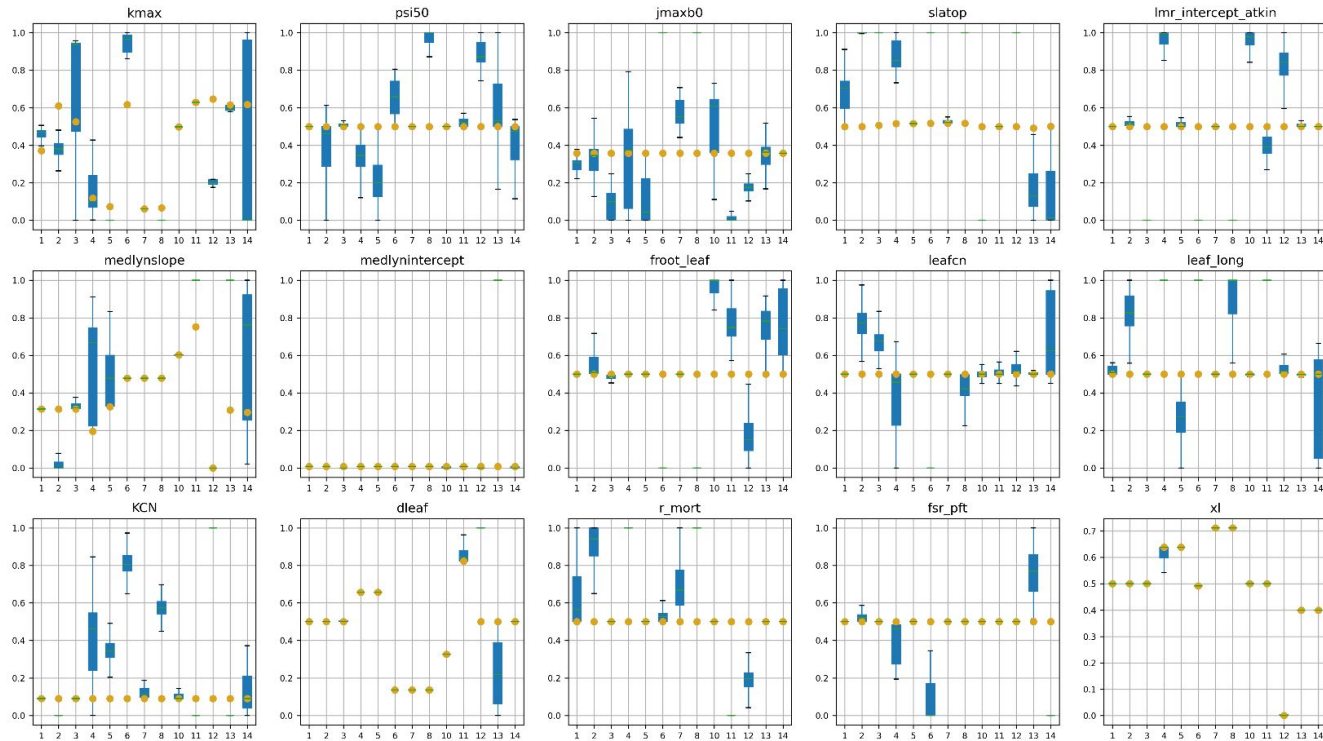
Summary

- **Constraining parametric uncertainty** in the strength of the land carbon sink to reduce overall uncertainty in climate change projections.
- **Calibration:** Emulator based calibration can be successful, and there are opportunities for increased flexibility.
- **CESM3-MLe:** CLM has capacity to support the implementation of ML-parameterizations.

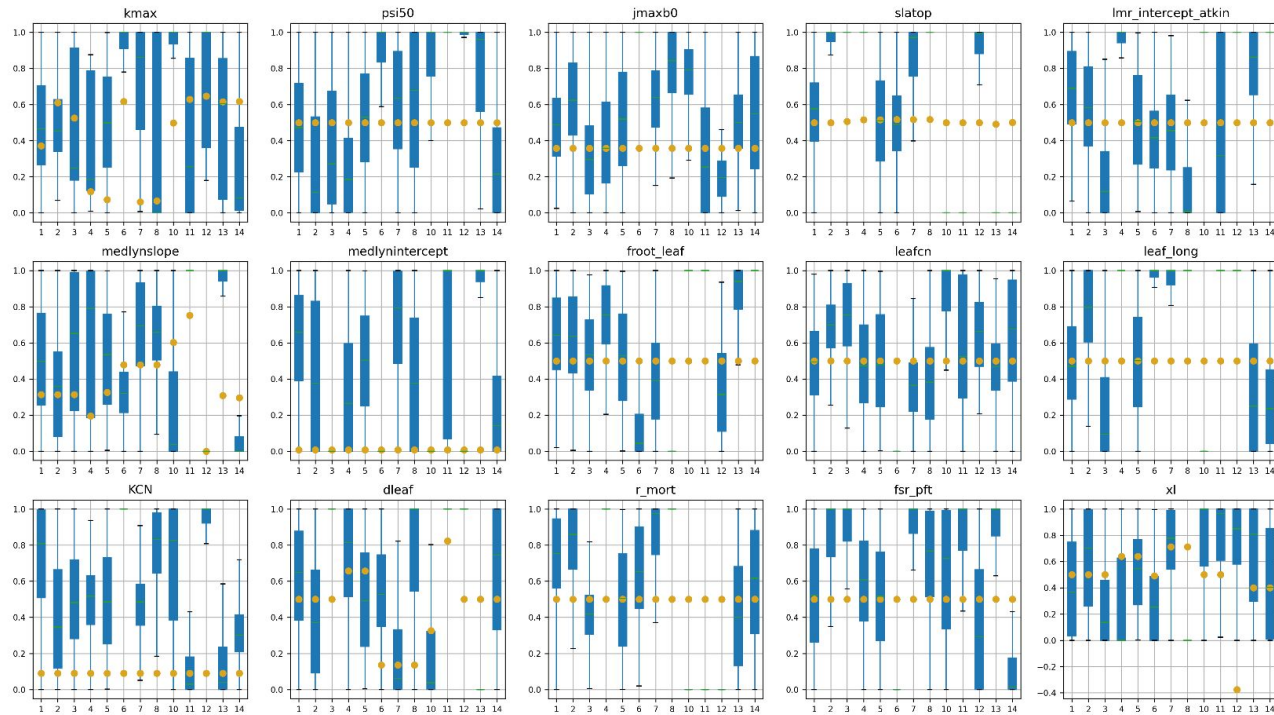


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Parameter posteriors: stay close to default



Parameter posteriors: Best possible optimization



High equifinality

Recover a known parameter set.

Target: LAI

Error < 0.001

