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## **Context & Objectives**

In the context of global climate warming, soil heat flux is monitored. ICOS mandatory measurements are achieved using self-calibrated heat flux plates HFP01SC.

Two questions arise:

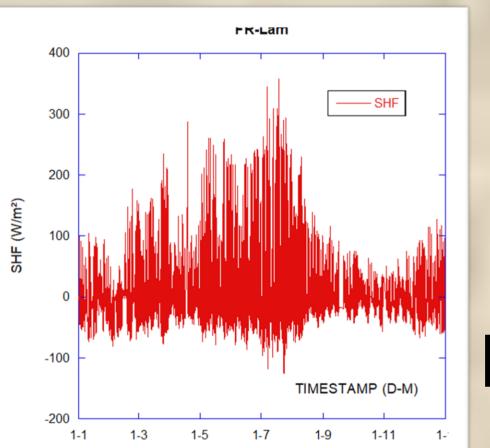
- How to check correct soil heat flux plates functioning?
- Subsequently, why the annual soil heat flux budget is not closed?

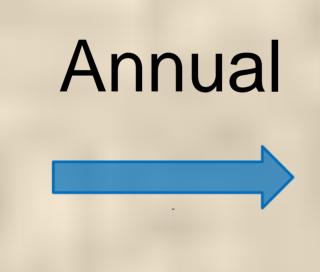
**OBJECTIVES**: Check the soil heat flux plates functioning and complete the soil heat fluxes balance.

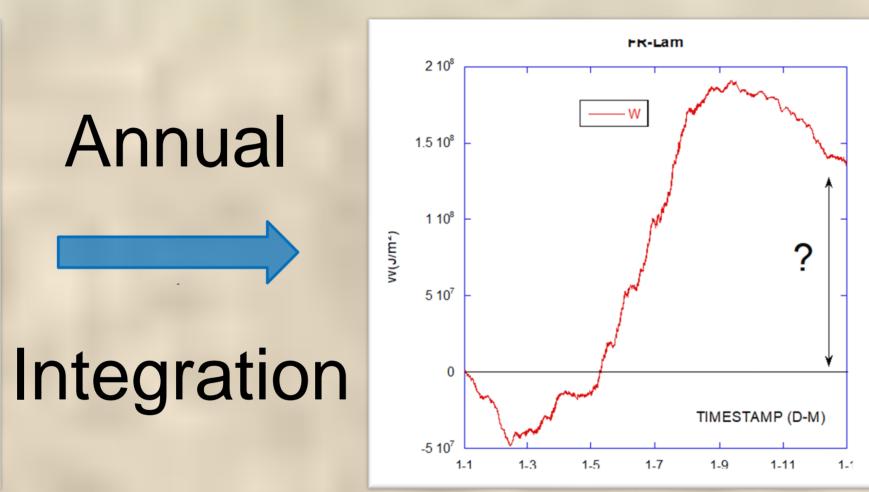


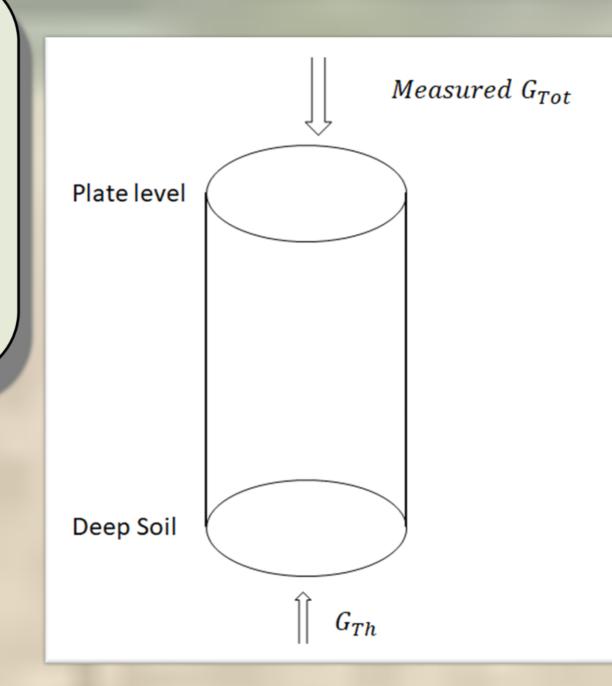
## Soil Heat flux plates functioning

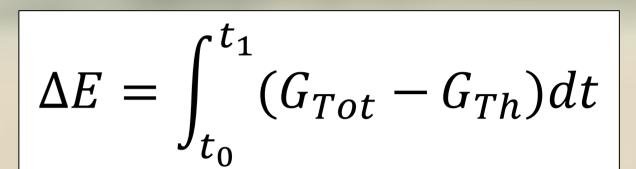
> To check correct SHFP functioning is not so evident and an annual integration may be of great help. Annual integration should be close to zero as, by energy conservation, in the case of homogeneous soil with the same soil temperatures and moisture et the beginning and the end of the year, theoretically, the heat flux integration is equal to the geothermal energy flux integration. Heat propagate by radiation (concern only separation surfaces) by advection (concern only fluids) and by conduction. SHFP measure only conduction. Zawilski, B. M. https://doi.org/10.5194/gi-11-223-2022, 2022.





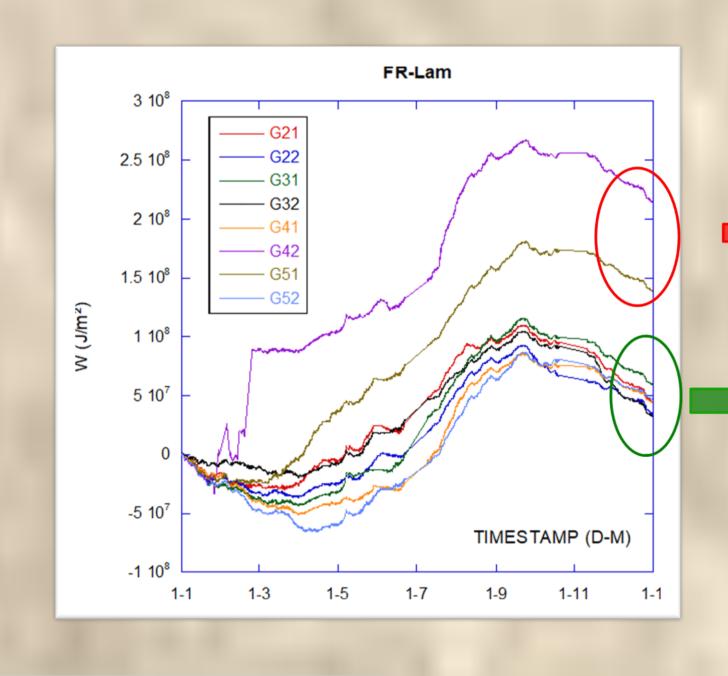








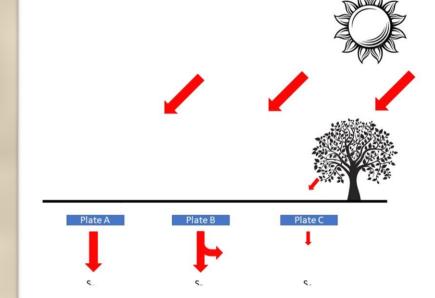
$$\int_{0}^{365 \, Days} (G_{Tot} - G_{Th}) dt = 0$$



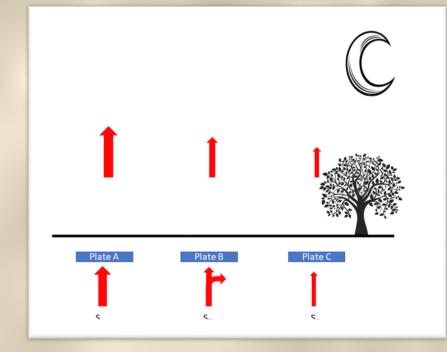
## Localized unbalances

- > Annual soil heat flux integration is not nil and geothermal energy does not explain this unbalance.
- > Particularly important unbalance may be attributed to the soil or the sunshine inhomogeneities boundaries proximity.





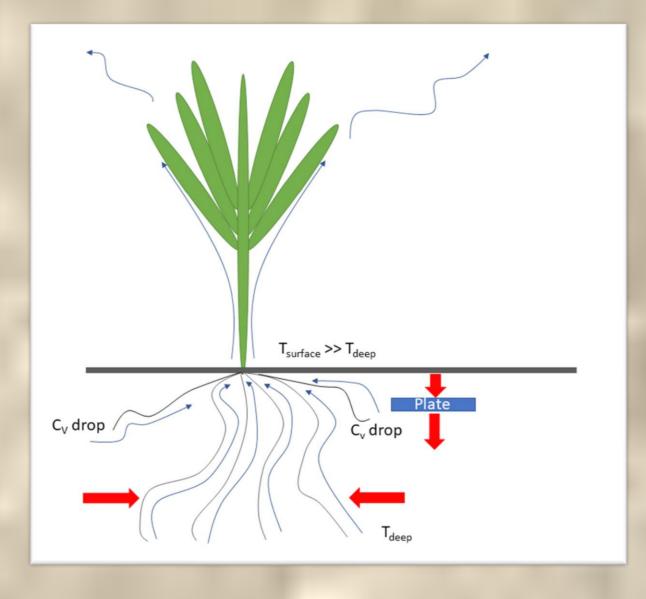
Night



## Systematic unbalances

- > Systematic unbalance may be, in part, attributed to the advective fluxes.
- Evapotranspiration causes advective fluxes.
- Rainfall water infiltration causes surface cooling but also advective fluxes.

# Evapotranspiration

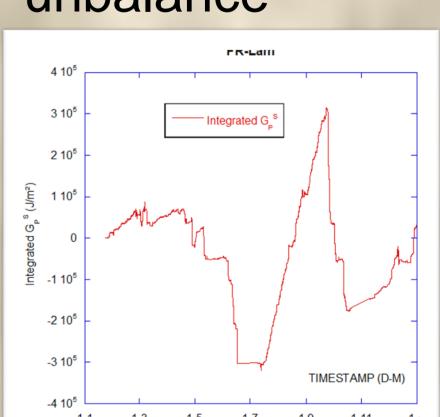


# Rainfall?

Not yet an unbalance — Integrated H<sub>o</sub>

Surface cooling

### Water infiltration Not causing notable unbalance



#### Conclusion

- Soil Heat Flux Plates functioning con be checked by an annual integration.
- > Important unbalance may be observed due to boundaries proximity of inhomogeneities and also due to the unmeasured advective fluxes.

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