

Disentangling the main sources of evapotranspiration in a vineyard

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Objective

- To separate experimentally the contribution of the **different sources** to the **ecosystem evapotranspiration**.
(Ongoing project)

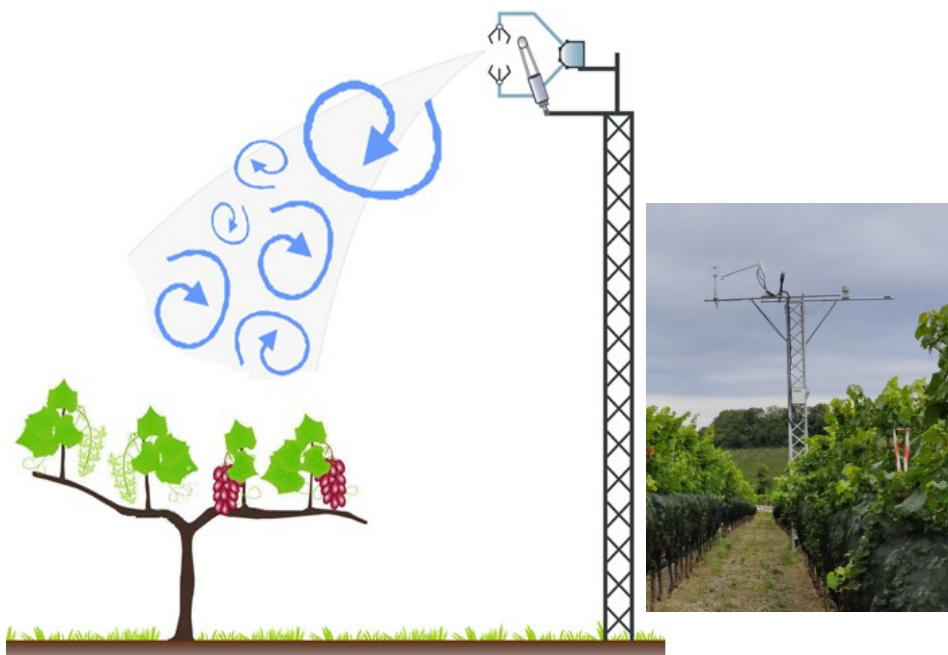


Experimental context and strategy

~Dual crop environment

$$\textcircled{1} \quad ET_{ec} = \underbrace{T_{\text{vineyard}}}_{T_v + T_u} + \underbrace{E_{\text{vineyard}}}_{E_v + E_u + E_{\text{soil}}}$$

(vineyard = vines + understory veg.)



LW
(= E_v)



SF
(= T_v)

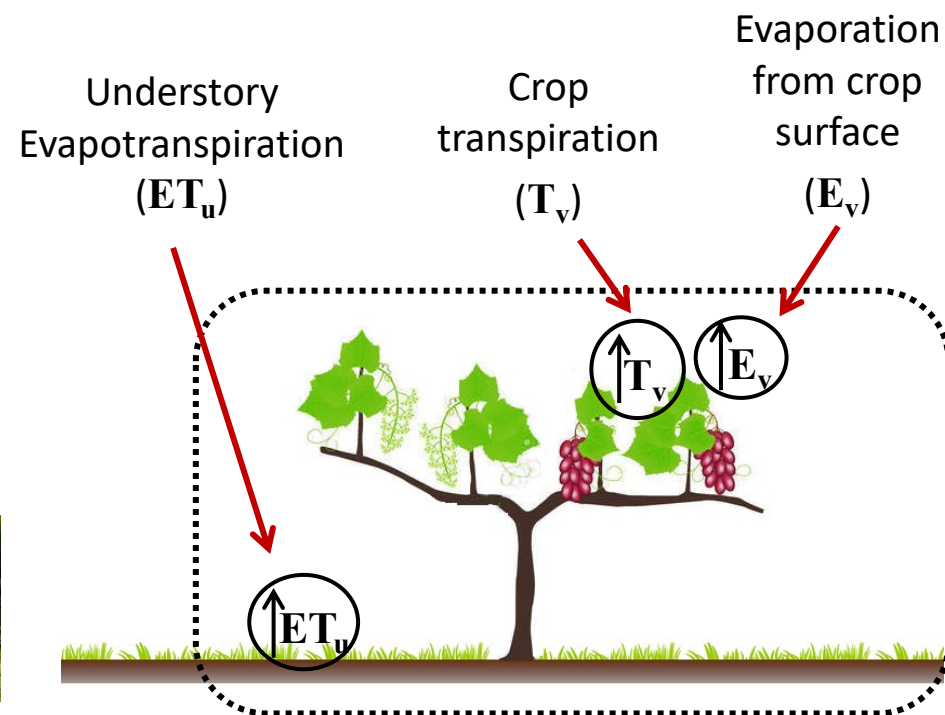


ET_u



$$\textcircled{2} \quad ET_{epa} = ET_v + ET_u$$

$$ET_{epa} = (T_v + E_v) + (T_u + E_u + E_{\text{soil}})$$



Trends and correlations

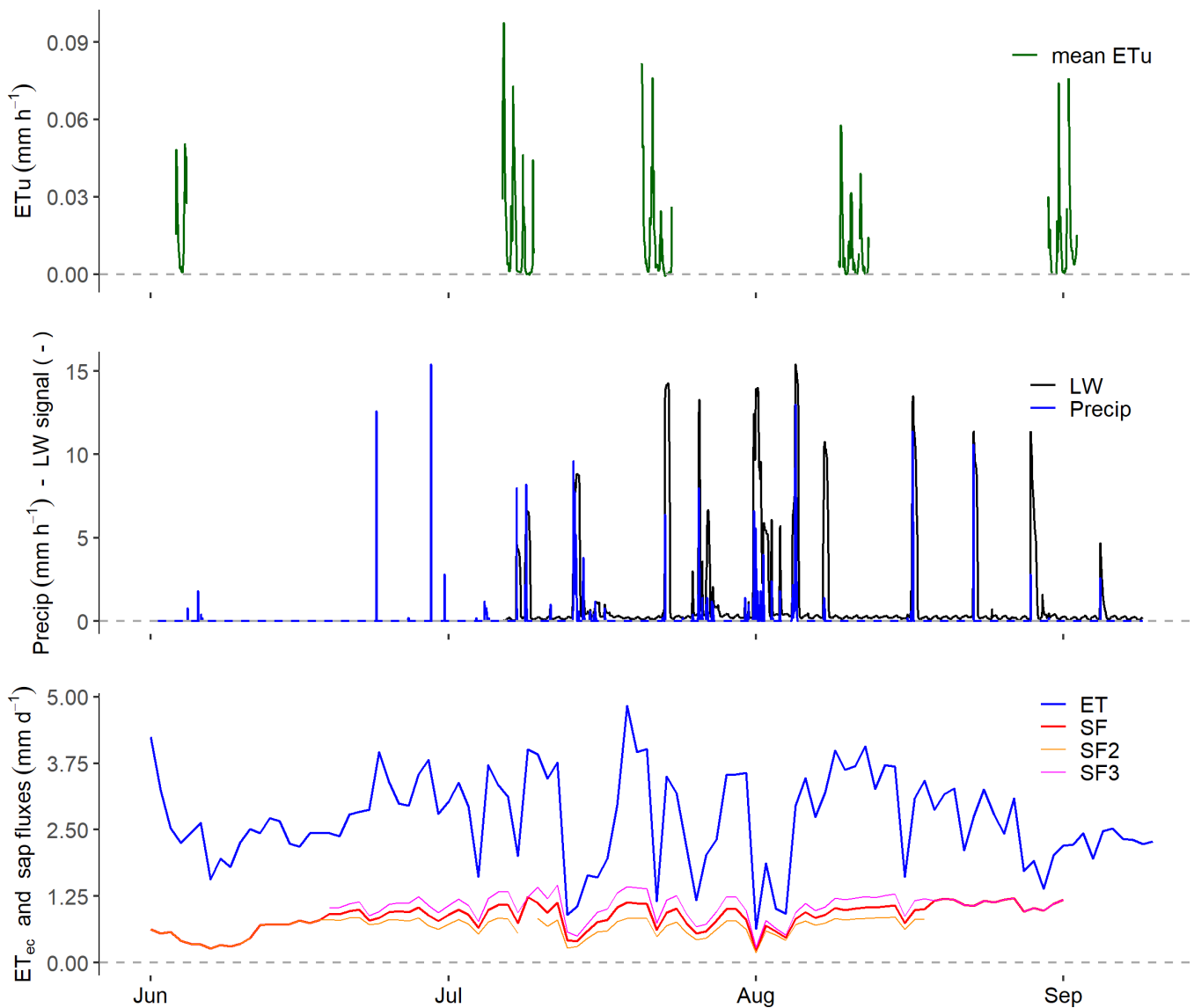


Table 1: Correlation coefficients. **Black R^2 :** among fluxes in mm h^{-1} ; **Red R^2 :** among the high frequency of the fluxes.

R^2	ET_{EC}	SF	SF2	SF3	ET_u
ET_{EC}	-	0.63	0.62	0.70	0.47
SF	0.74	-	0.93	0.96	0.36
SF2	0.69	0.94	-	0.82	0.31
SF3	0.77	0.97	0.84	-	0.37
ET_u	0.57	0.47	0.38	0.46	-

- ET_{EC} (vineyard-scale ET) = ET from Eddy Covariance;
- SF (vines' sap flux, T_v) = mean of SF2 and SF3;
- ET_u (understory ET) = mean of ET_u fluxes;

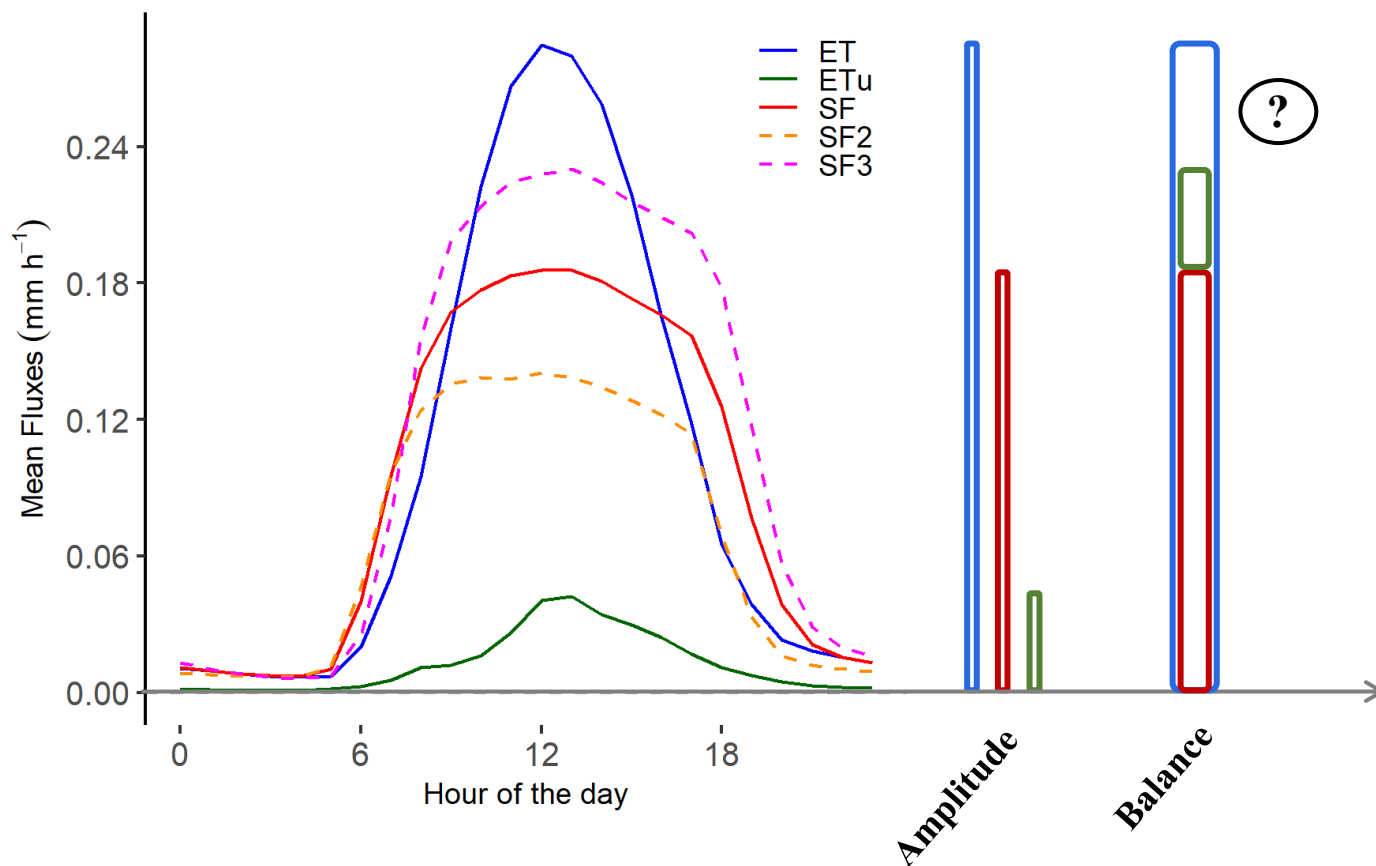
- **high frequency fluxes:** $F_{(hf)} = F - F_{MA}$,

where F is the flux, $F_{(hf)}$ is the high frequency of F and, F_{MA} the smoothed F obtained with a moving average of 32h.



Uncertainties from the sap flux measurements

Magnitude of (mean) hourly fluxes over the day:



(left): The **heat ratio method - HR** (Burgess et al., 2001)

(right): SFM1 sensor installed in the vineyard in Italy.

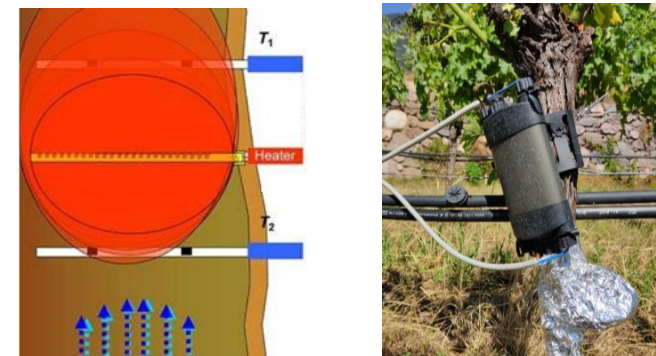


Table 2: Potential sources of error and use adequacy for each method (x= is sensitive to the source of error; adapted from Flo et al., 2019).

T-D	SHB	HFD	HR	T-max	CHP	Method	Potential source of measure error
x		x	x	x	x	Wounding	
x		x	x	x	x	Radial velocity profile	
x			x	x	x	Wood properties	
x	x	x			x	Natural thermal gradients	
		x	x	x	x	Sensor installation	



Conclusions

- (A): The **experimental setup** makes possible to assess the sources' water fluxes, however with large uncertainties.
- (B): The analysis of the sensors' **signals** show that the datasets are reliable, the **trends** of the fluxes are consistent
- (C): The **magnitude** of the fluxes is a problem to be solved.

Next steps

- (1): Benchmarking the SF sensors against other method (in-situ) for a **plant-specific calibration** (e.g. stem Heat Balance - SBH)
- (2): Re-calibrate **soil-ground-flux-chambers system** for a more accurate water balance.



Thank you

