

« Street trees in the urban canopy model TEB »

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UHI mitigation : urban planning strategies assessment

Cooling power of greening strategies ?

Associated water resources ?

Thermal comfort of inhabitants ?

+ public parks

+ private gardens

+ **street trees**

+ soil, subsoil, sewer network

+watering

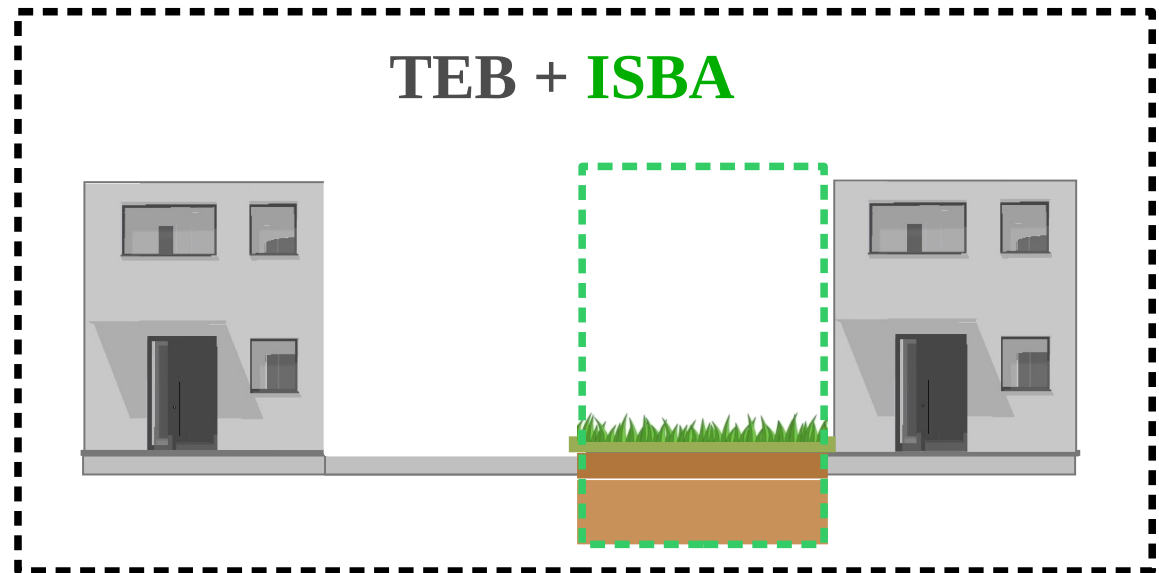
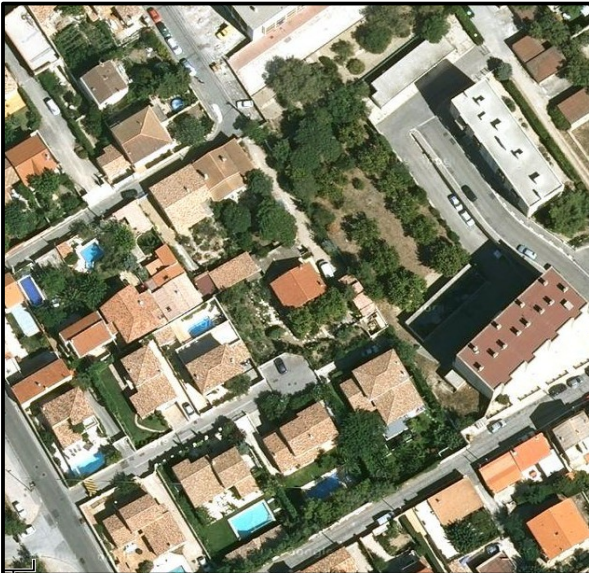


UHI mitigation : urban planning strategies assessment

Interactions within urban canopy between impervious surfaces (TEB) and vegetation (ISBA)

ISBA : Soil – Biosphere – Atmosphere Interactions (SVAT type)

TEB : Town Energy Balance, a urban canopy model

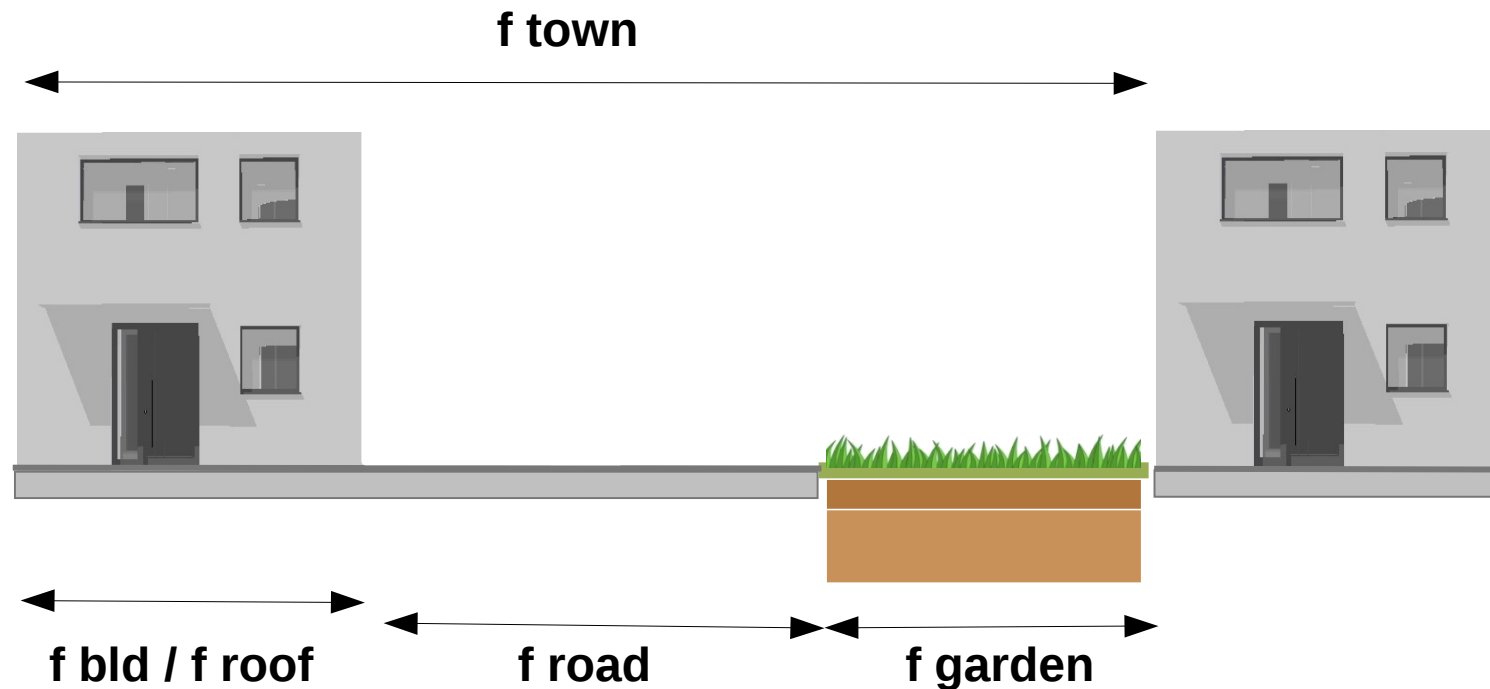


Concept of TEB (Lemonsu et al., 2012)

Main assumptions :

Occupation fraction of ground / type of surface

No spatialization

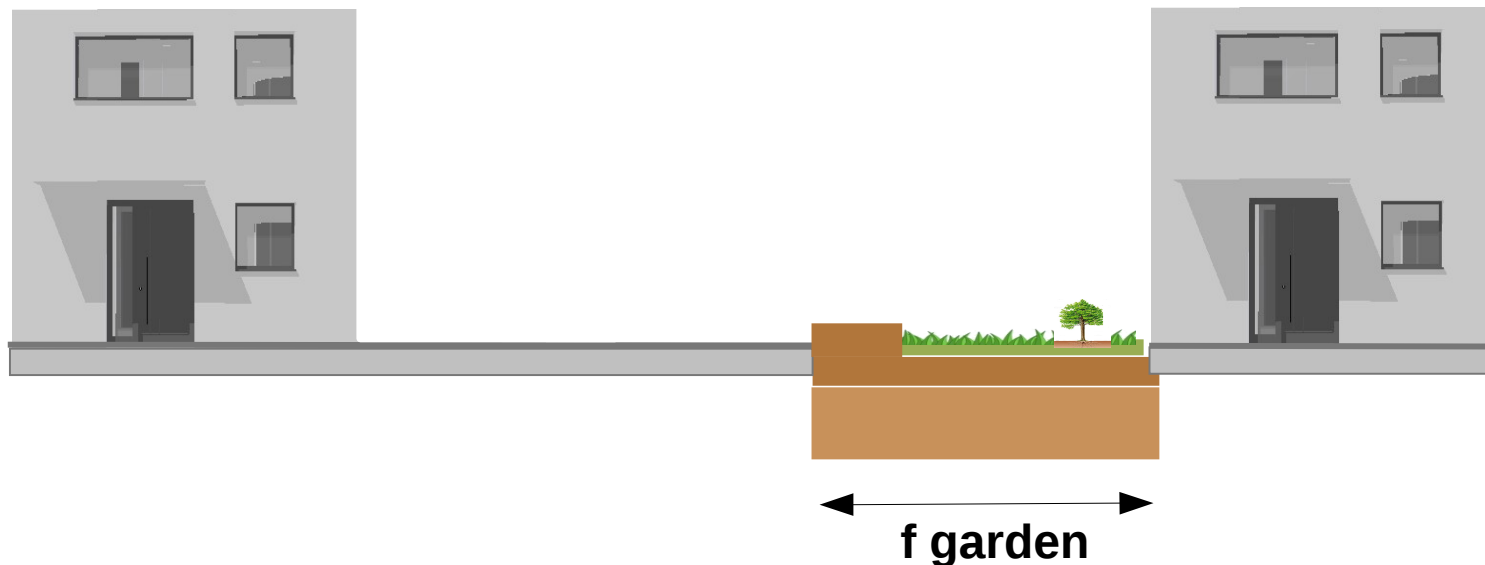


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'Garden' fraction includes 3 sub-fractions :

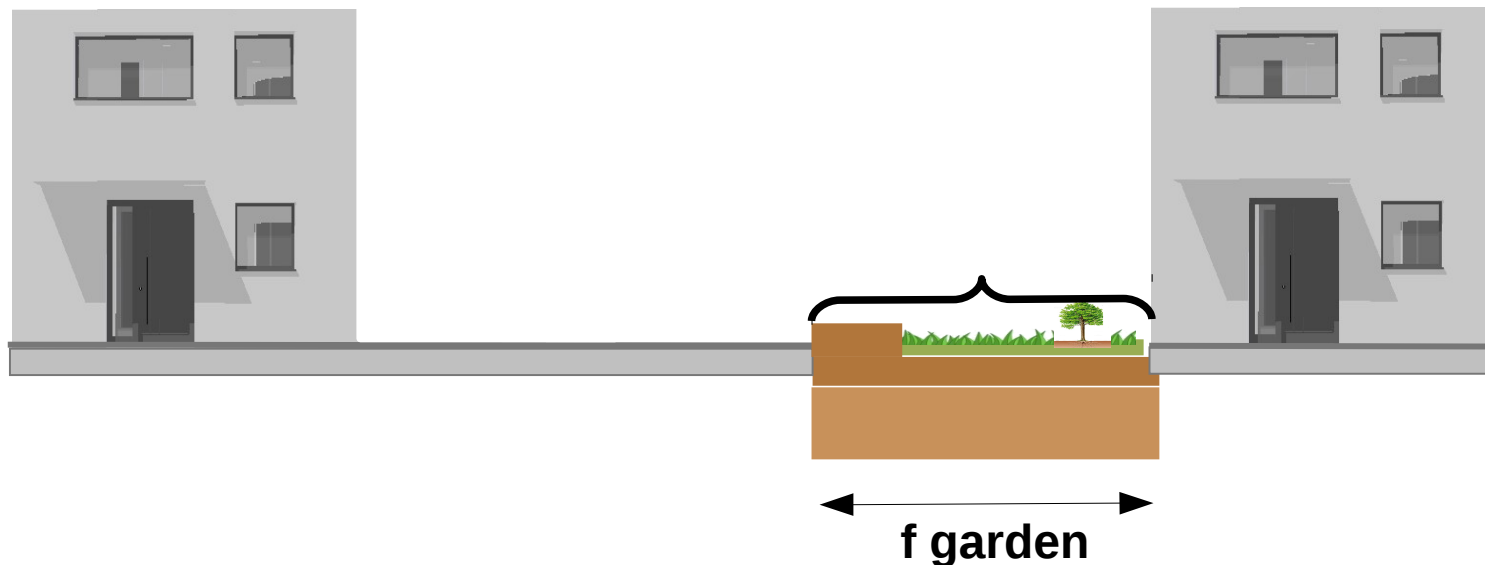
bare soil - low vegetation (herbaceous) - high vegetation (trees)



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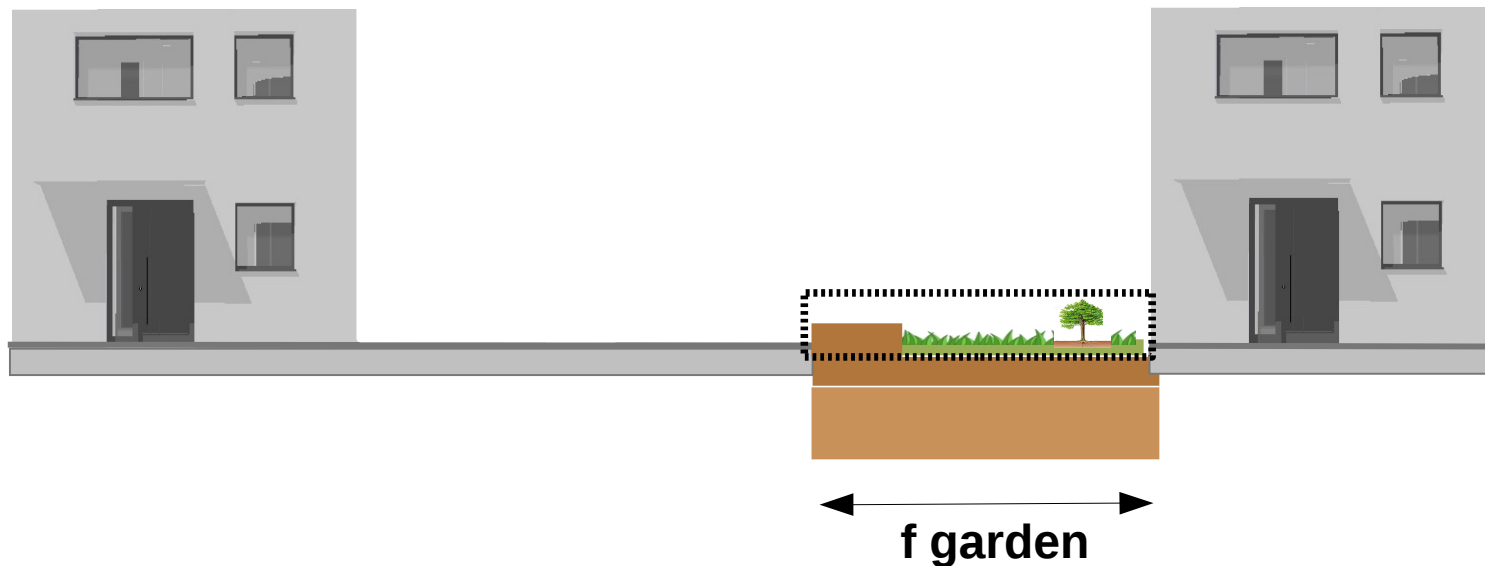
Physiological parameters averaged for garden fraction
(ex : stomatal conductance, ...)



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All sub-fractions in only one composite layer (no differentiated strata)

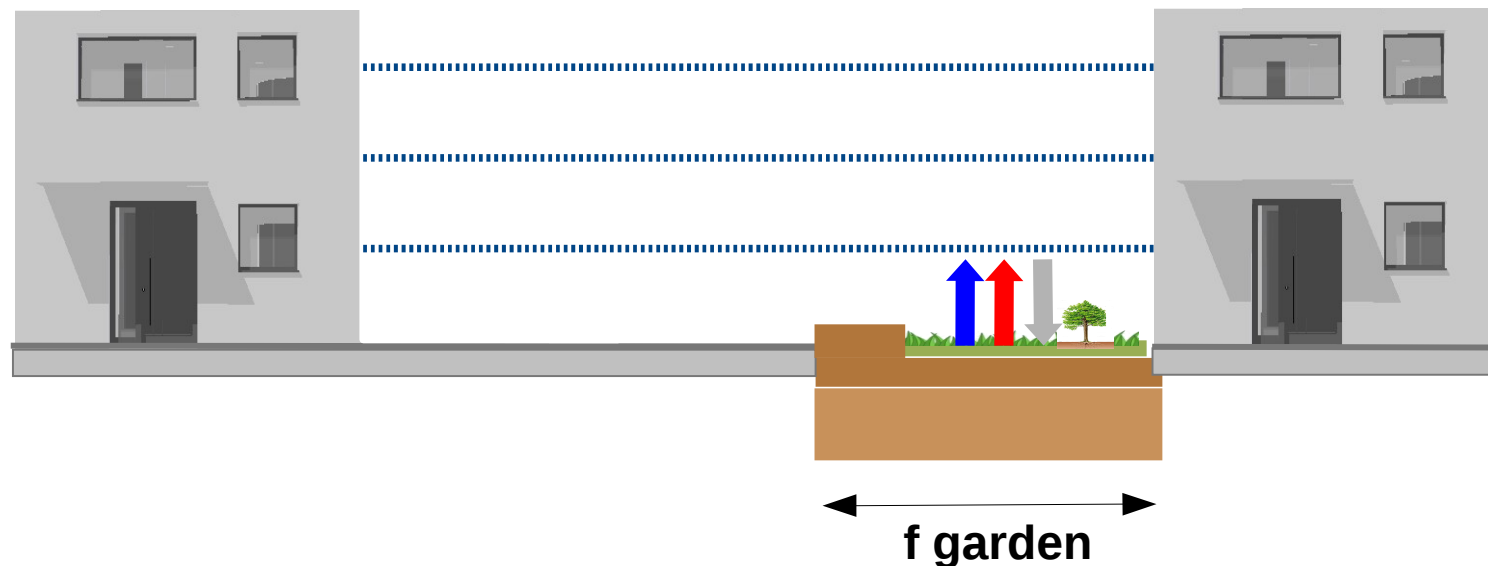


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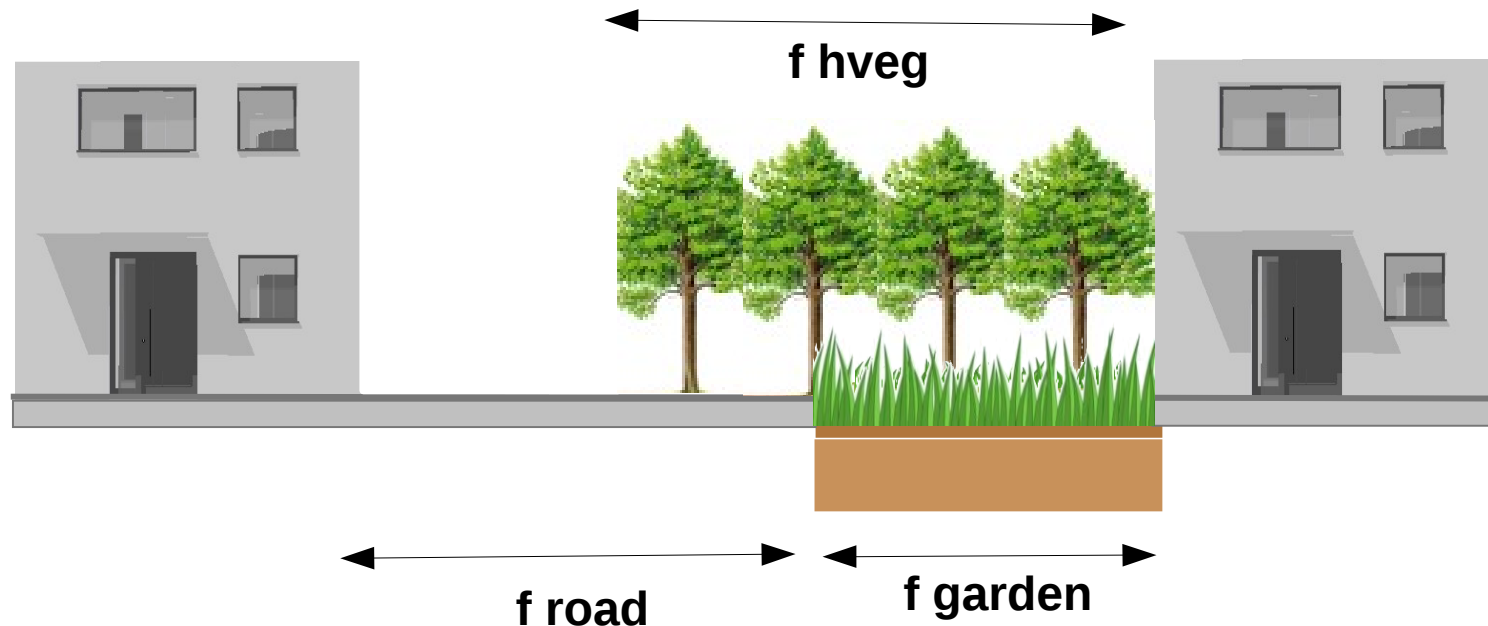
Sensible and latent heat fluxes aggregated for garden fraction (at ground)

=> limited influence in lowest part of the canyon



New definitions / parameters required for urban trees representation in TEB

Real tree layer : high vegetation can overlay and exceed natural ground fractions

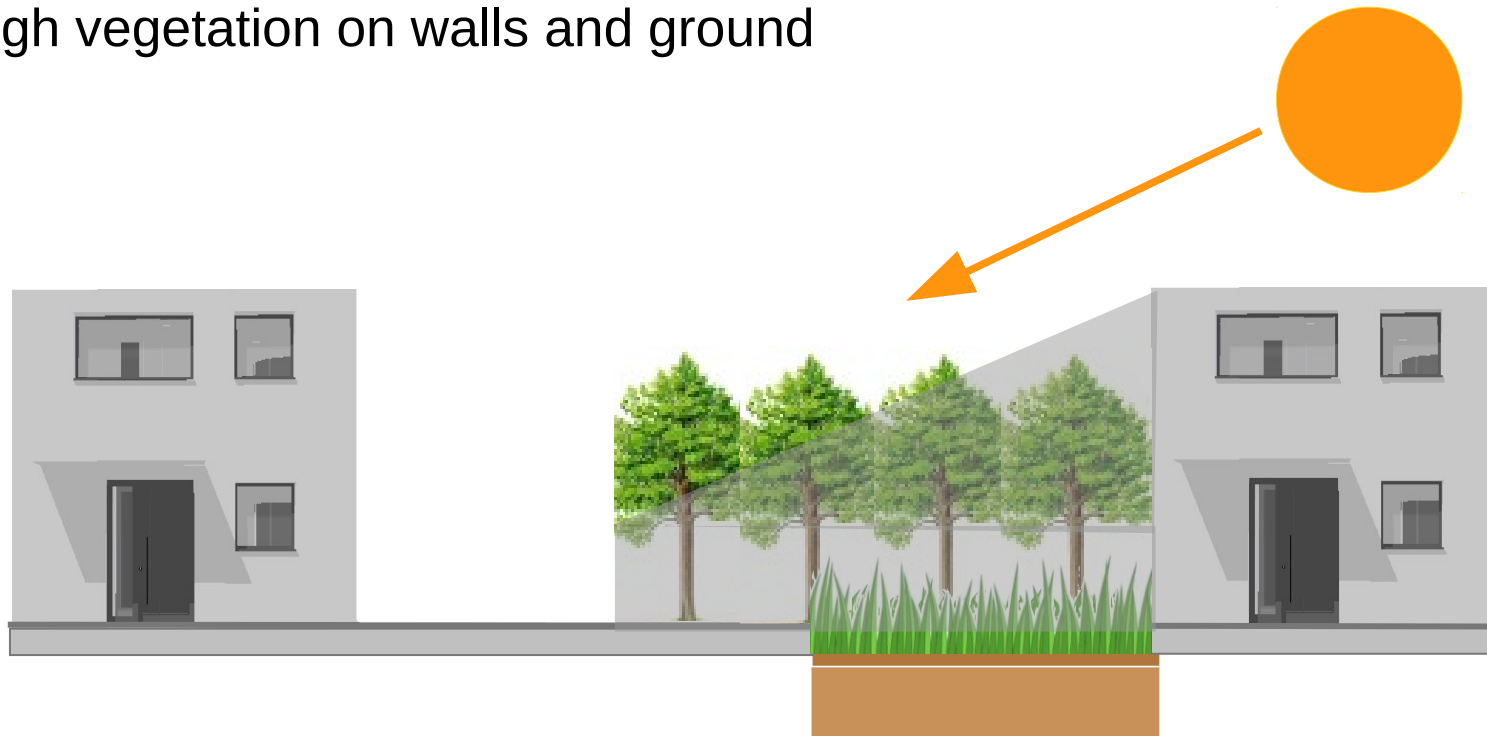


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- buildings on high vegetation
- high vegetation on walls and ground



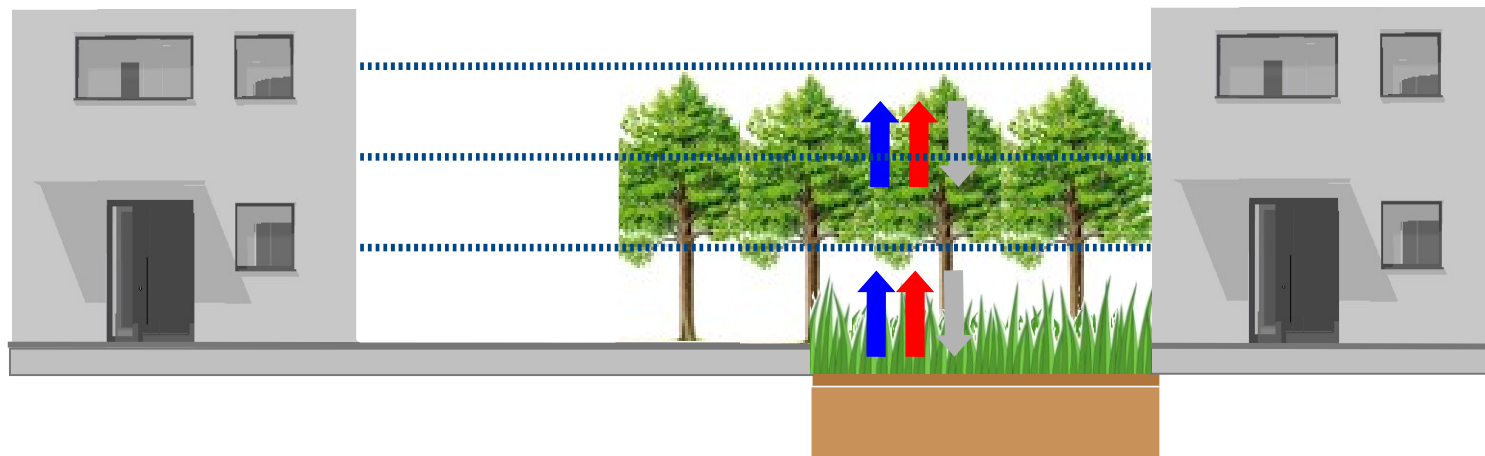
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Sensible and latent heat fluxes distributed with respect to their vertical gradient

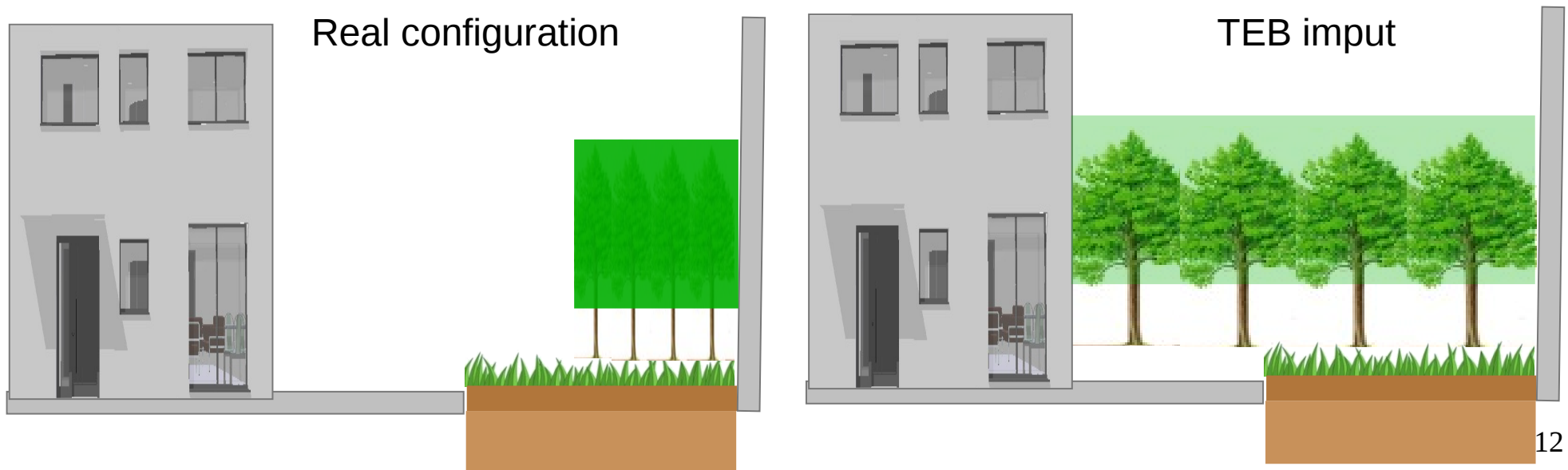


How high vegetation fraction is computed ?

High vegetation fraction is depending on :

- 2D extension (sum of crown widths)
- along street distribution (relating to potential gaps in tree lines)

This value is homogeneously applied on canyon width (without spatialization)



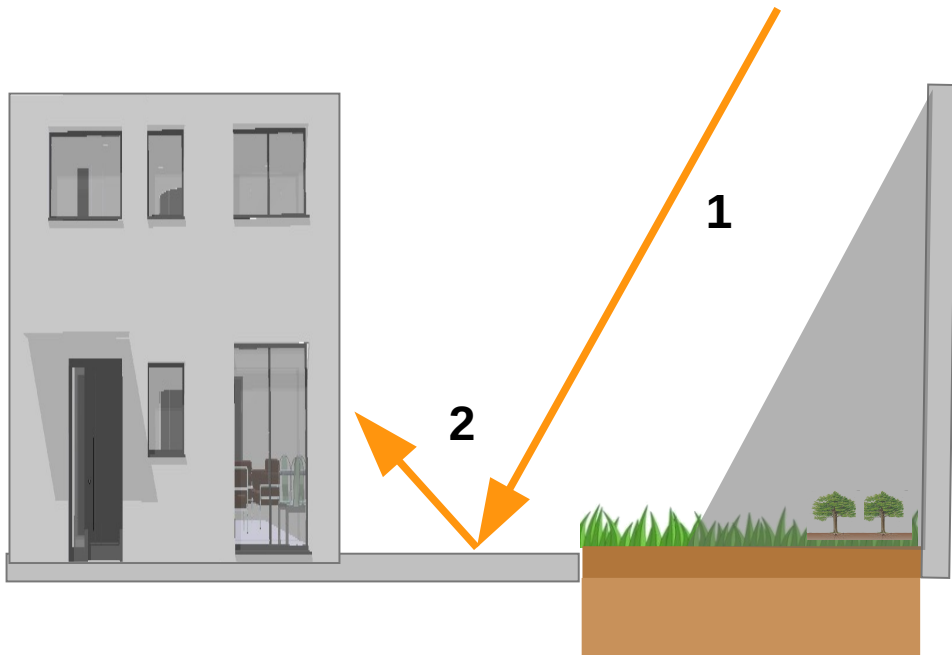
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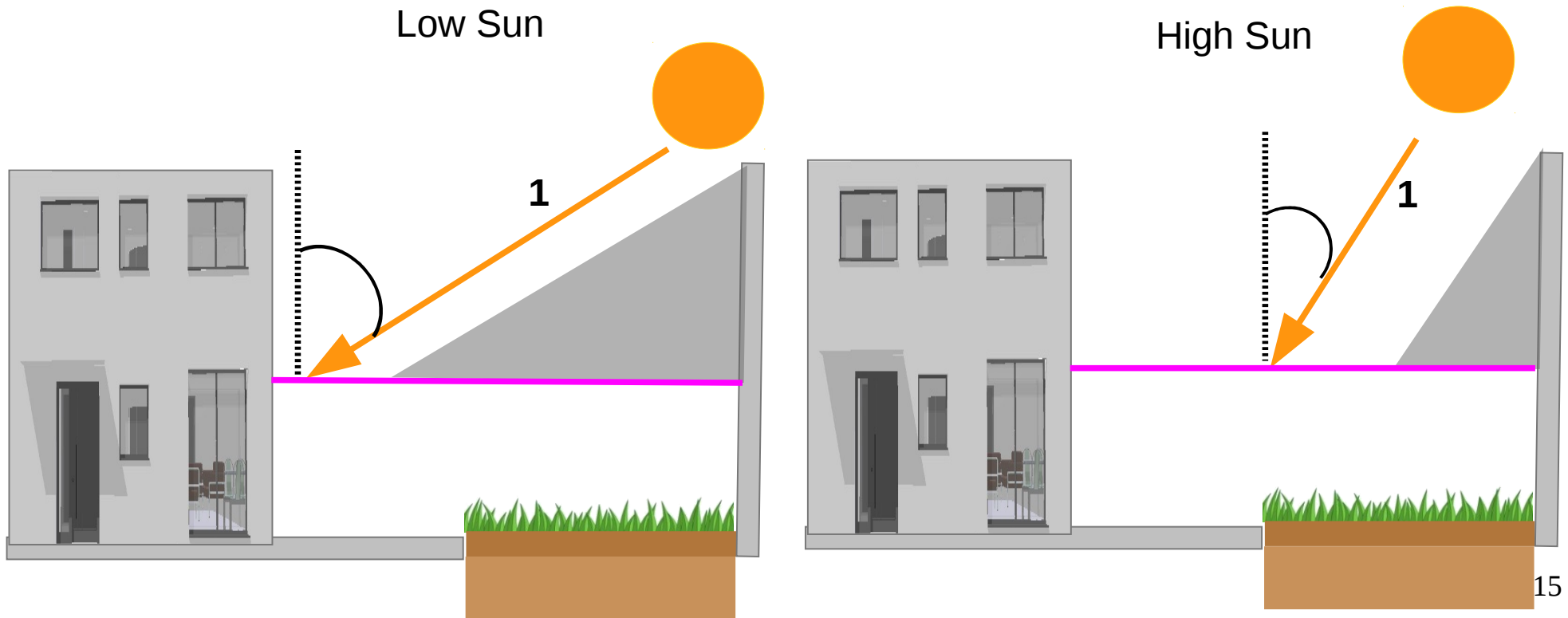


Resolving radiative balance by urban surface in TEB : illustrated examples

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Shading of buildings on high vegetation



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Shading of high vegetation on walls and ground

Transmissivity term τ (from Lee & Park, 2008) :

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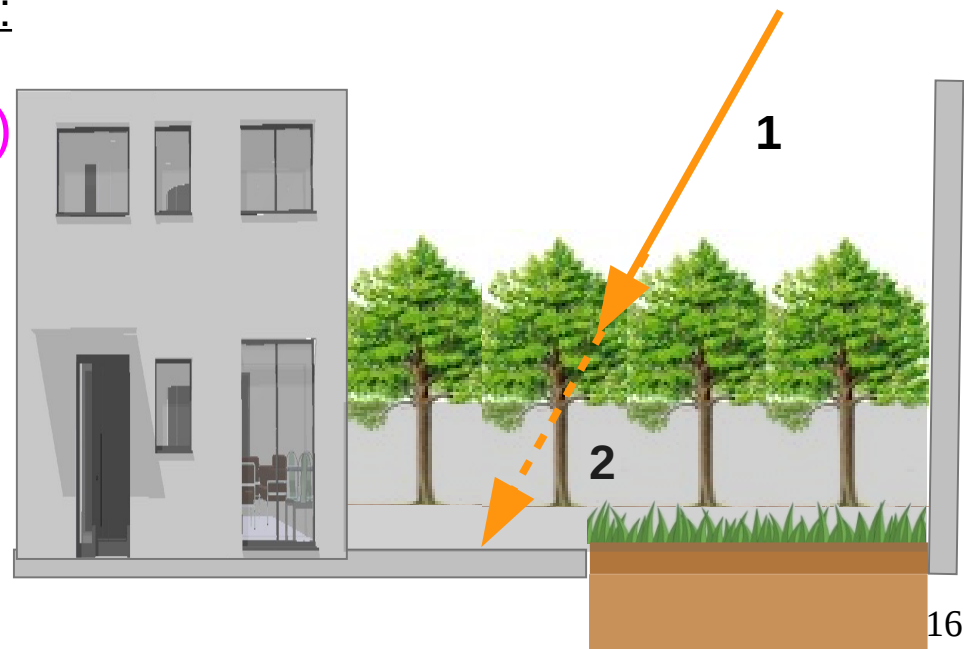
Extinction coefficient k (= 0,5 in TEB)

Homogeneous foliage distribution

Leaf Area Density ($\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$)

from sky to ground :

all foliage crossed by solar rays



Resolving radiative balance by urban surface in TEB : illustrated examples

- Part of direct solar radiation - received and reflected by WALL1
- transmitted through HIGH VEGETATION
- received by WALL2

Adequate HV transmissivity, function of involved surfaces

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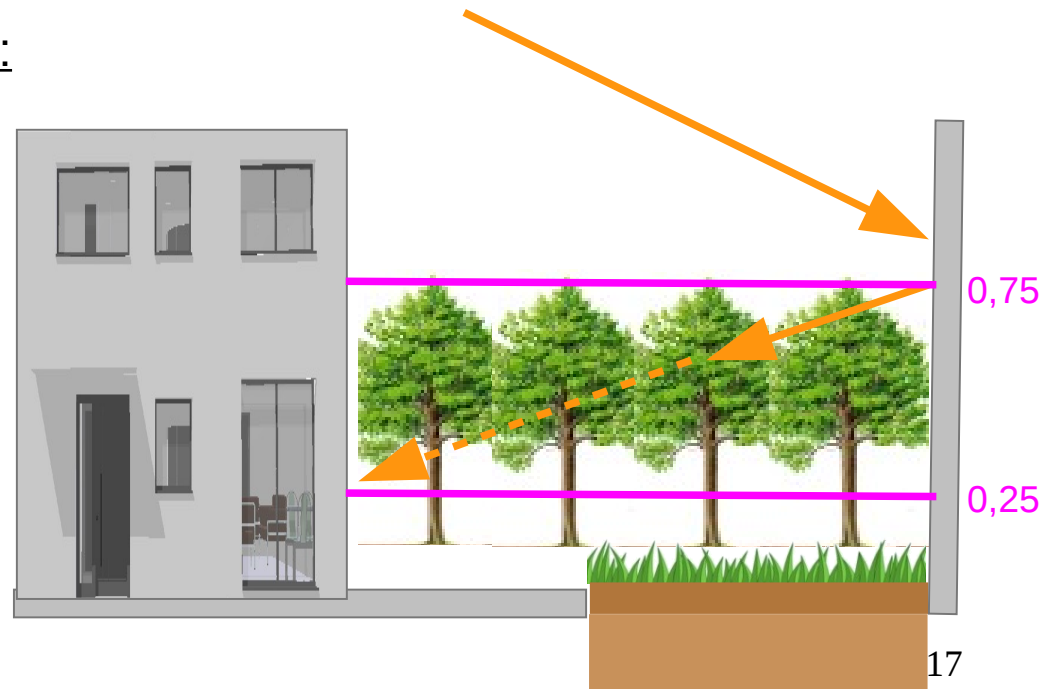
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from wall to wall :

foliage density crossed by rays

included in 0,25 – 0,75 building height zone



Evaluation of TEB with trees : radiative budget

Objectives :

How to appreciate quality of radiation absorption simulation in TEB ?

How to identify configurations for which TEB assumptions can be applied or not ?

Main issue :

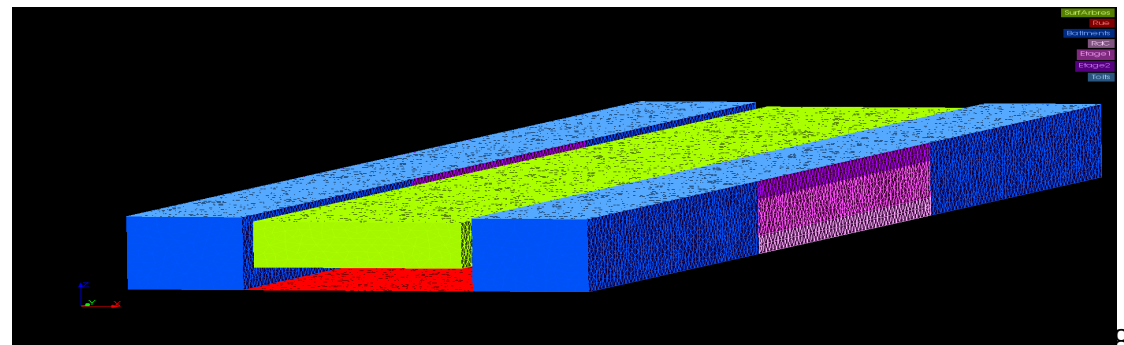
Complete experimental data for various urban configurations

Strategy :

Fine scale model of enlightenment **SOLENE** (CERMA lab., Nantes, France) as **reference model**

=> control of configurations

=> numerous ideal cases tested



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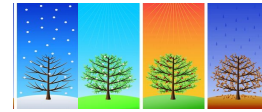
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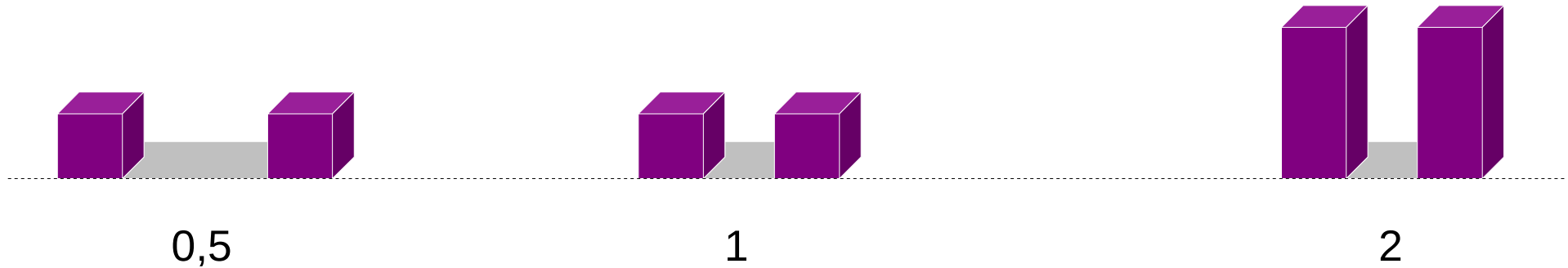
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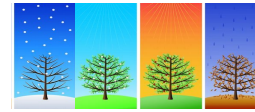
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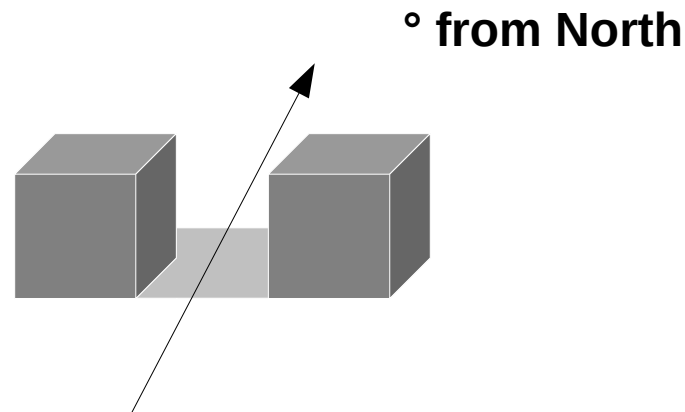
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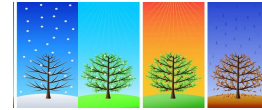
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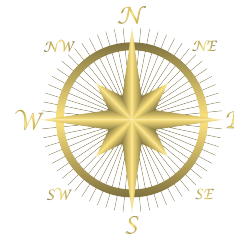
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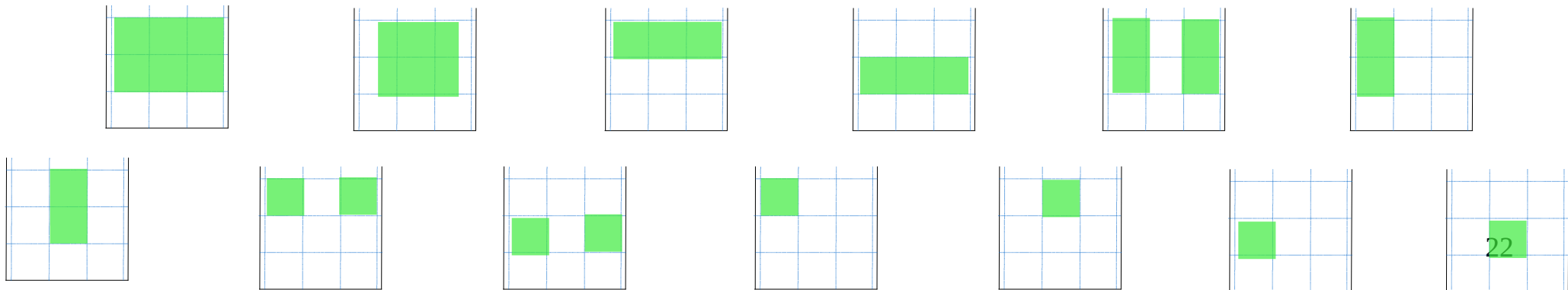
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13 extreme vegetation layouts :

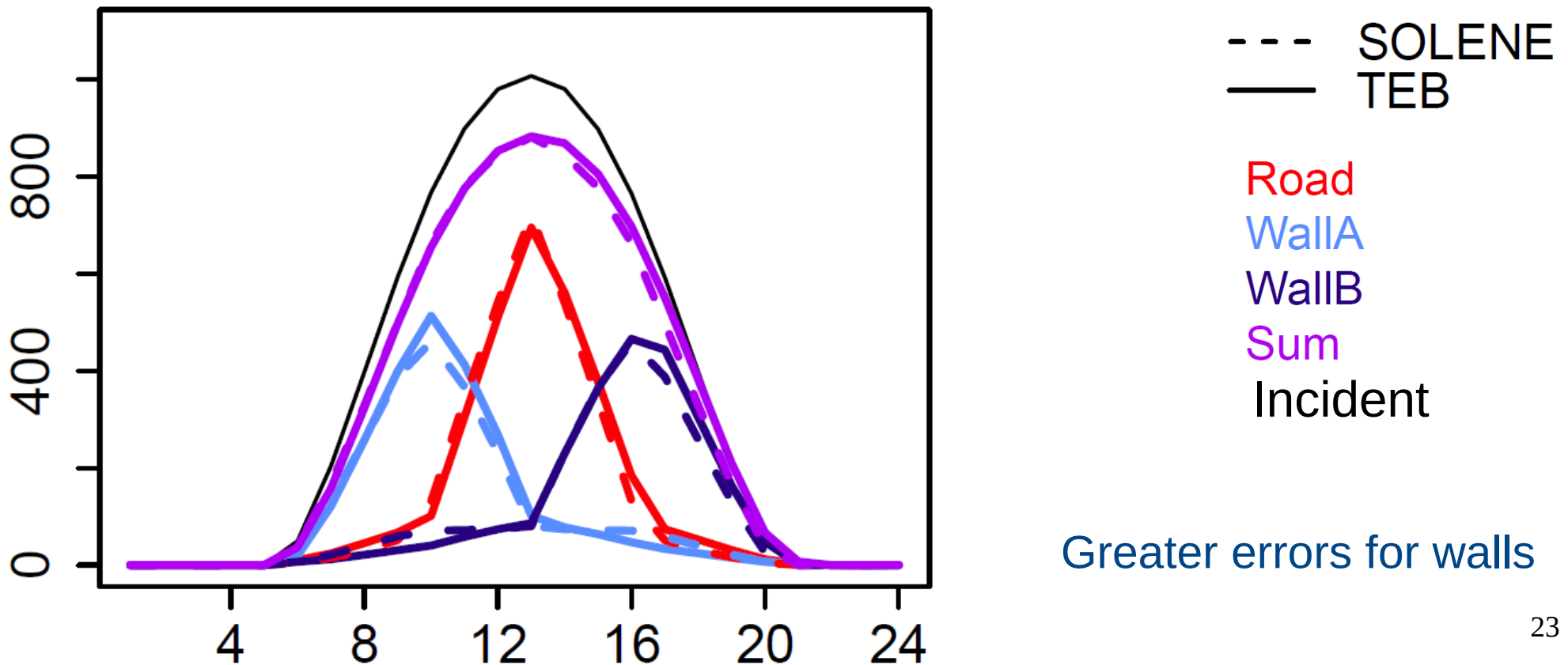


Evaluation of TEB with trees : radiative budget

Canyon without vegetation (control case)



Total (= direct + diffuse) solar radiation flux absorbed by each surface ($W \cdot m^{-2}$)
 $h/w = 1$ - orientation 0° - summer day



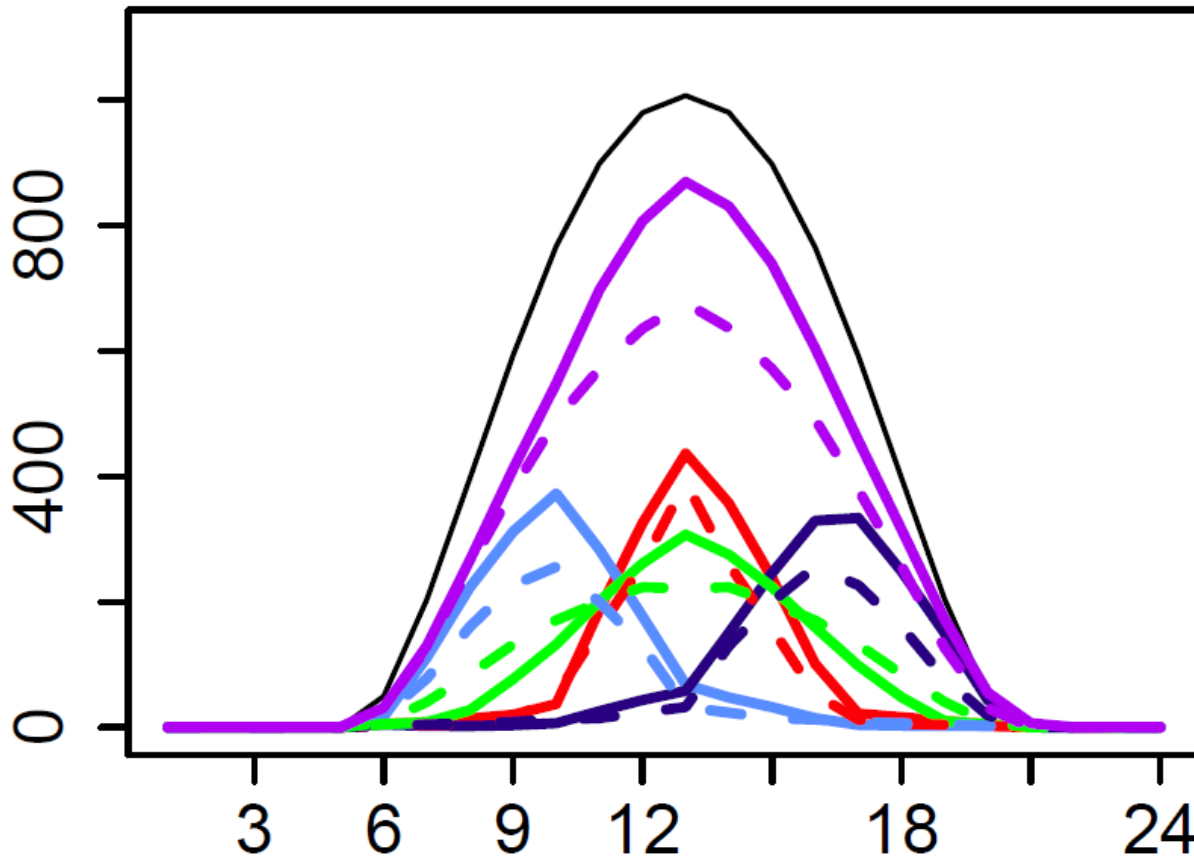
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Extremely vegetated canyon



--- SOLENE Road WallB Trees
 — TEB WallA Sum Incident

Total (= direct + diffuse) solar radiation flux absorbed by each surface ($W \cdot m^{-2}$)
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systematic overestimate of absorption in TEB

except for high vegetation here (geometrical effects)

Conclusions :

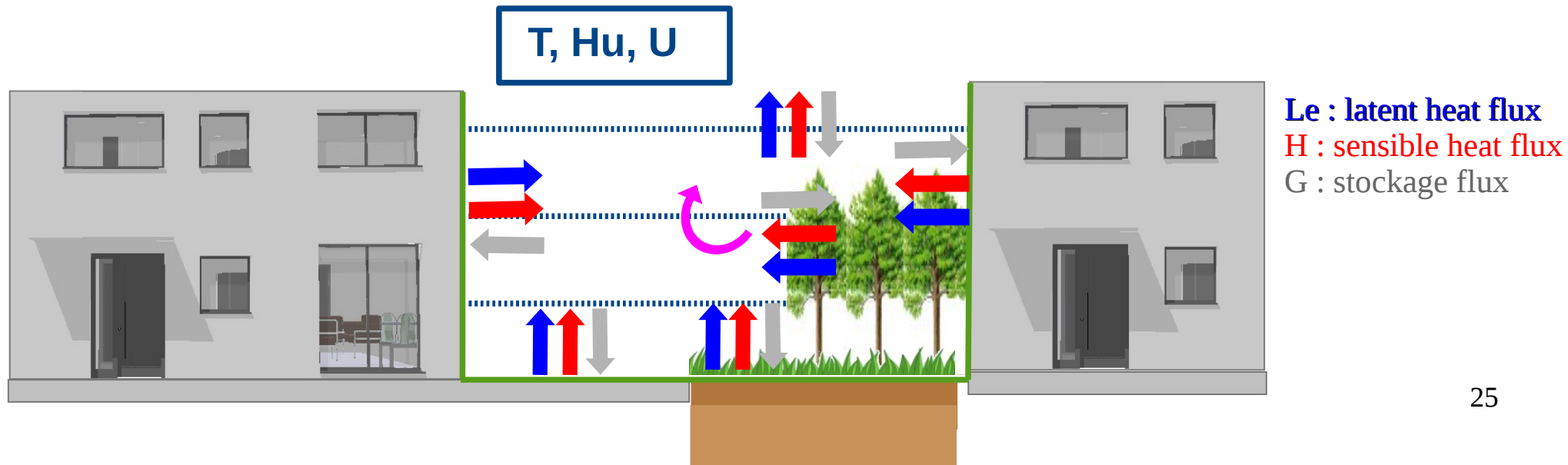
Validation of solar part of radiative budget (canyon forms, orientations, seasons)

Need improvements of absorption simulation in vegetated canyons

IR exchanges already computed (same form factors and transmissivity terms)

Perspectives :

Energy budget by high vegetation (realistic vertical gradient + aerodynamic effect)





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