Motivation for trait-based physiology

low nutrient concentration



- Deciduous and evergreen plants invest nutrients differently in their leaves.
- Huge amount of new data. The new parameters are based on 6169 species-specific observations of leaf N, 5920 of leaf thickness, 1757 of V_{cmax}



Application: 2010 Amazon drought



2.5 million km² affected1.6 PgC lost1-in-100 year event



3.2 million km² affected2.2 PgC lost1-in-100+ year event

Lewis et al. 2011



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Soil moisture stress & roots

- Use plant available water (in kg m⁻²) instead of volumetric water content for calculating fsmc.
- Root depths from Zeng 2001
- Assume efficient tap roots can access lots of soil moisture despite low density (as long as water content is above the wilt pt):
 - Remove root-weighting of fsmc,
 - Remove the fsmc-weighting of water extraction





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Terrestrial Gross Primary Production Inferred From Satellite Fluorescence and Vegetation Models, Parazoo et al. 2014, GCB

Global: Prescribed vegetation cover

JULES3.2 Old PFTs GPP, 1982-2012 Global = 131 GtC/yr JULES3.2 New PFTs GPP, 1982-2012 Global = 165 GtC/yr







GPP & NPP

- Global NPP is closer to what we expect from observational constraints (50-60 GtC)
- NPP =64 GtC (Old PFTs)
- NPP= 52 GtC (New PFTs)
- But low carbon use efficiency (NPP/GPP) → R_{auto} is high.

