

Introduction to JULES

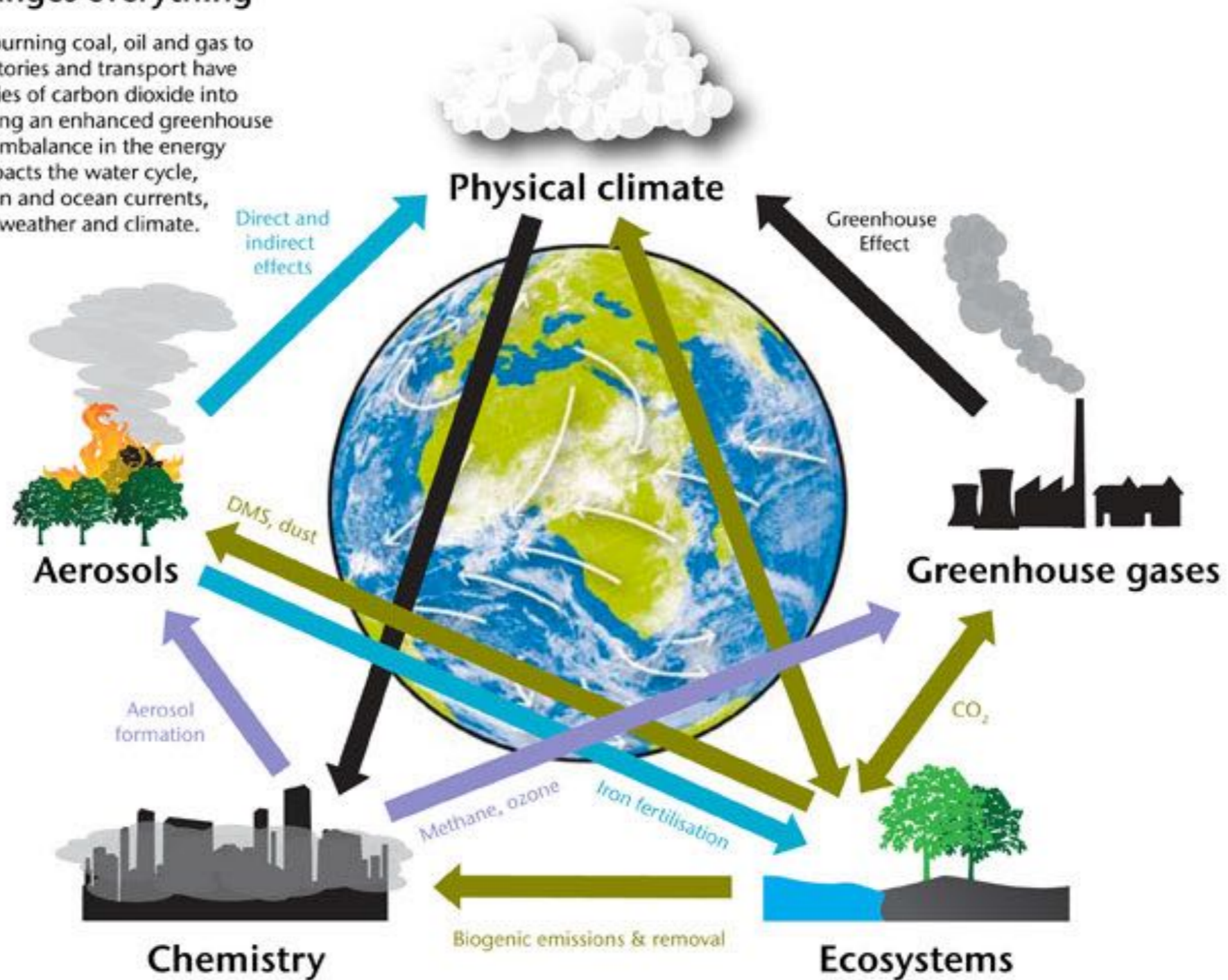
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The Earth System

One thing changes everything

Human activities like burning coal, oil and gas to power our homes, factories and transport have released huge quantities of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, causing an enhanced greenhouse effect. This causes an imbalance in the energy cycle that, in turn, impacts the water cycle, atmospheric circulation and ocean currents, leading to changes in weather and climate.



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Change in soil water =

Precipitation

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+ Sub-surface runoff

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- Later generations added carbon budgets

Recipe for a JULES run

- Model code
- Namelists with parameter settings
 - Driving meteorological data
 - Soil physical properties
 - Model grid
 - Optional prescribed datasets (time-varying CO₂, land use, O₃)

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Description of the “TRIFFID” Dynamic Global Vegetation Model

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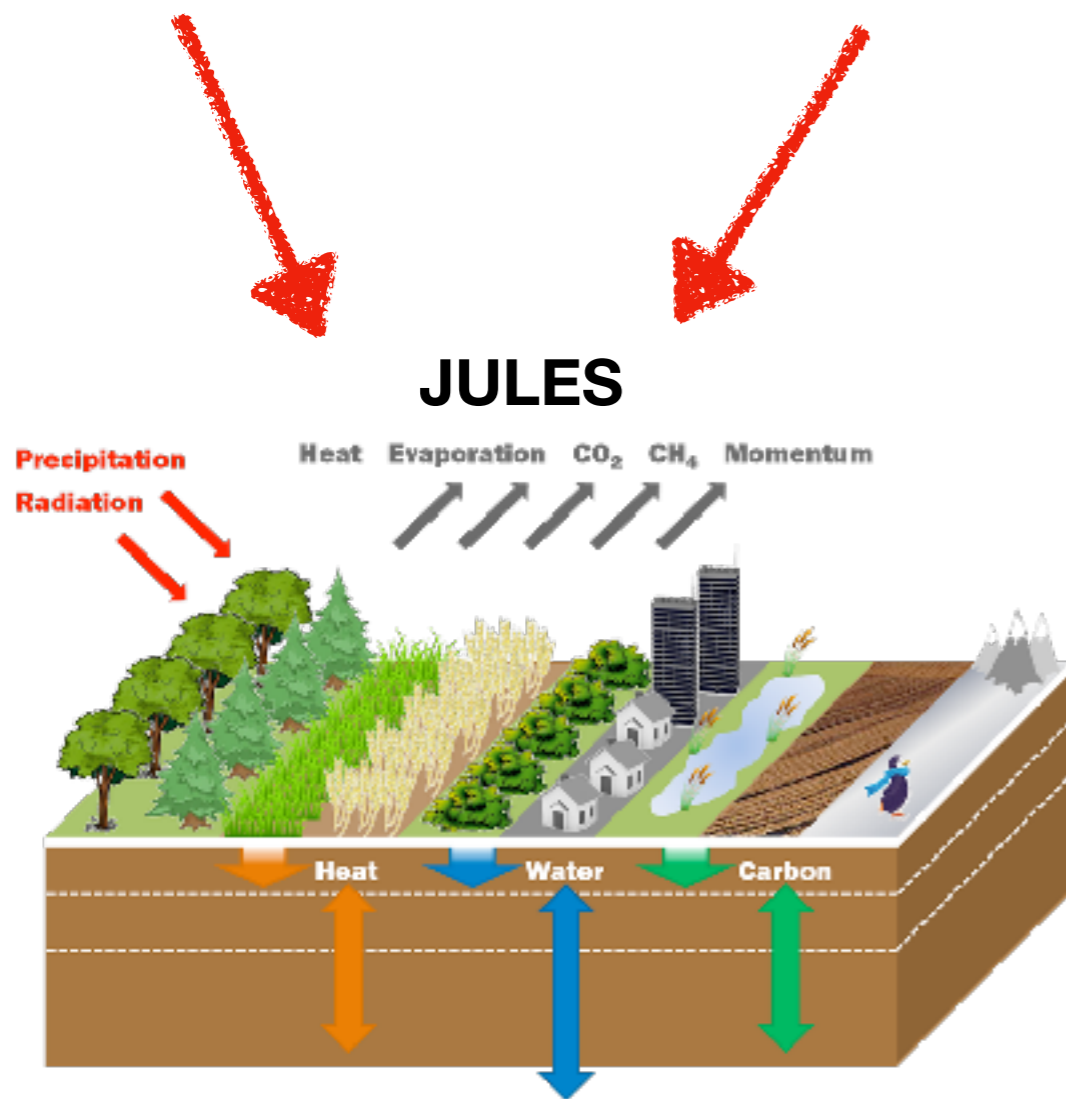
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Vegetation distribution and terrestrial carbon cycle in a carbon cycle configuration of JULES4.6 with new plant functional types

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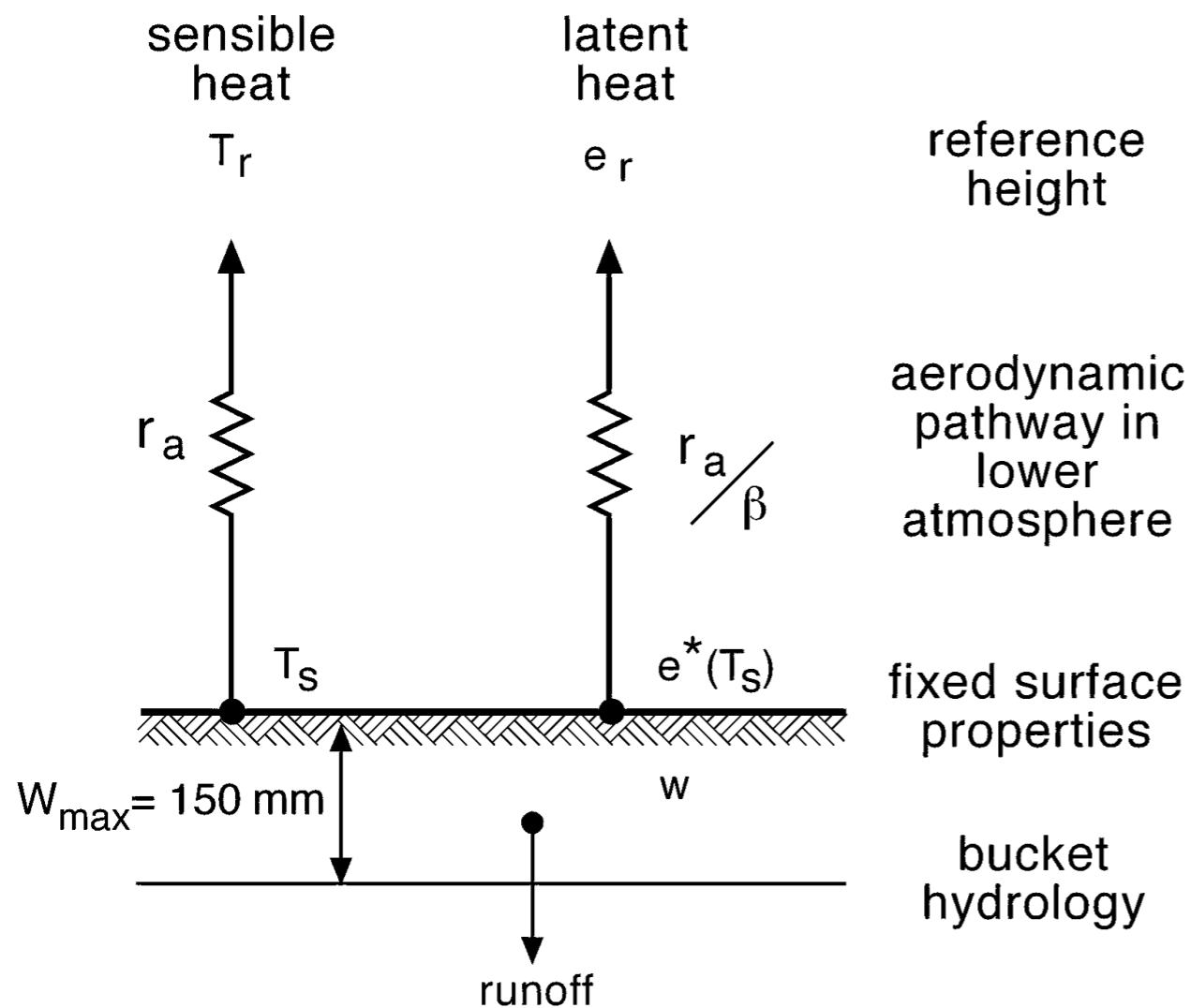
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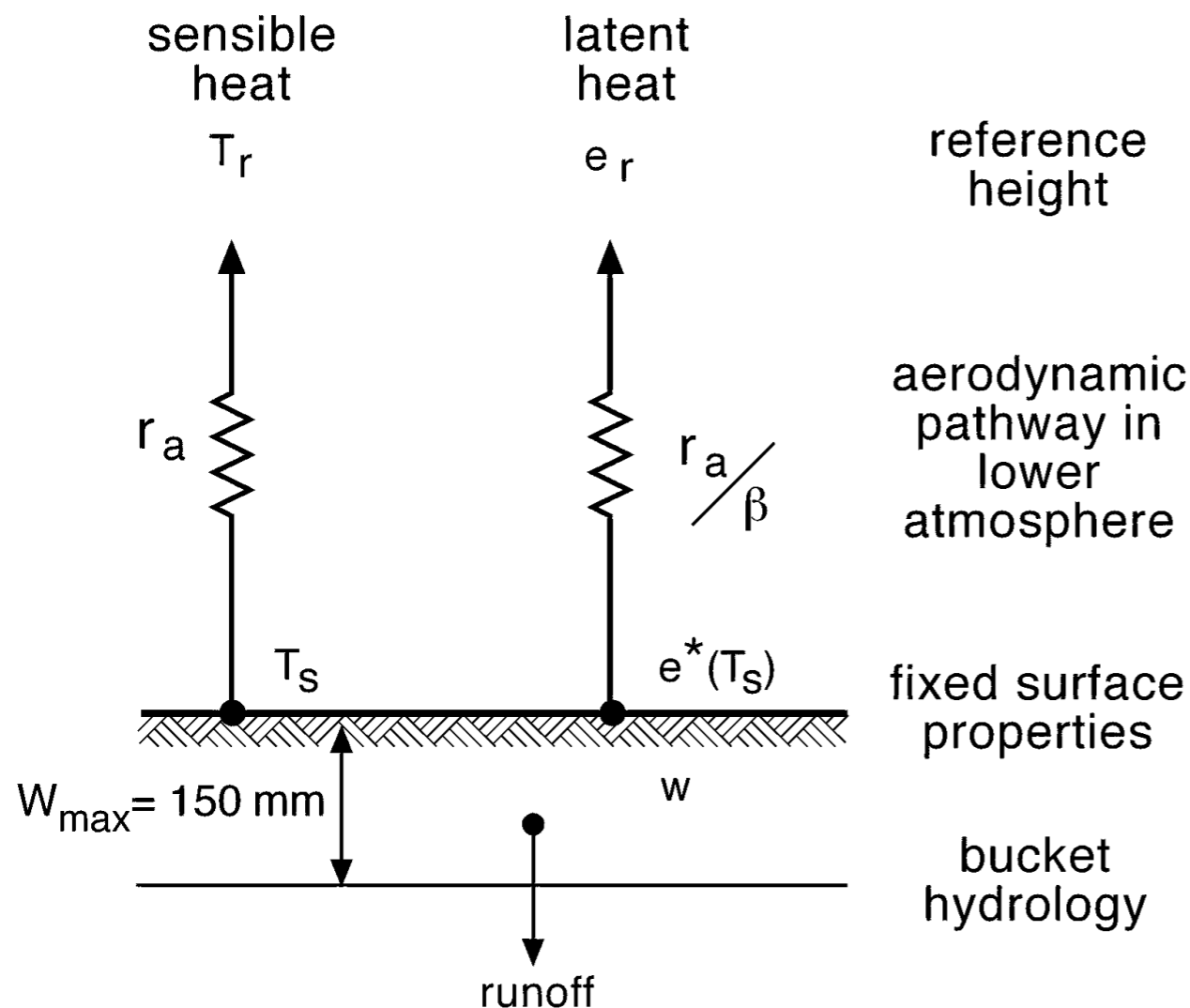
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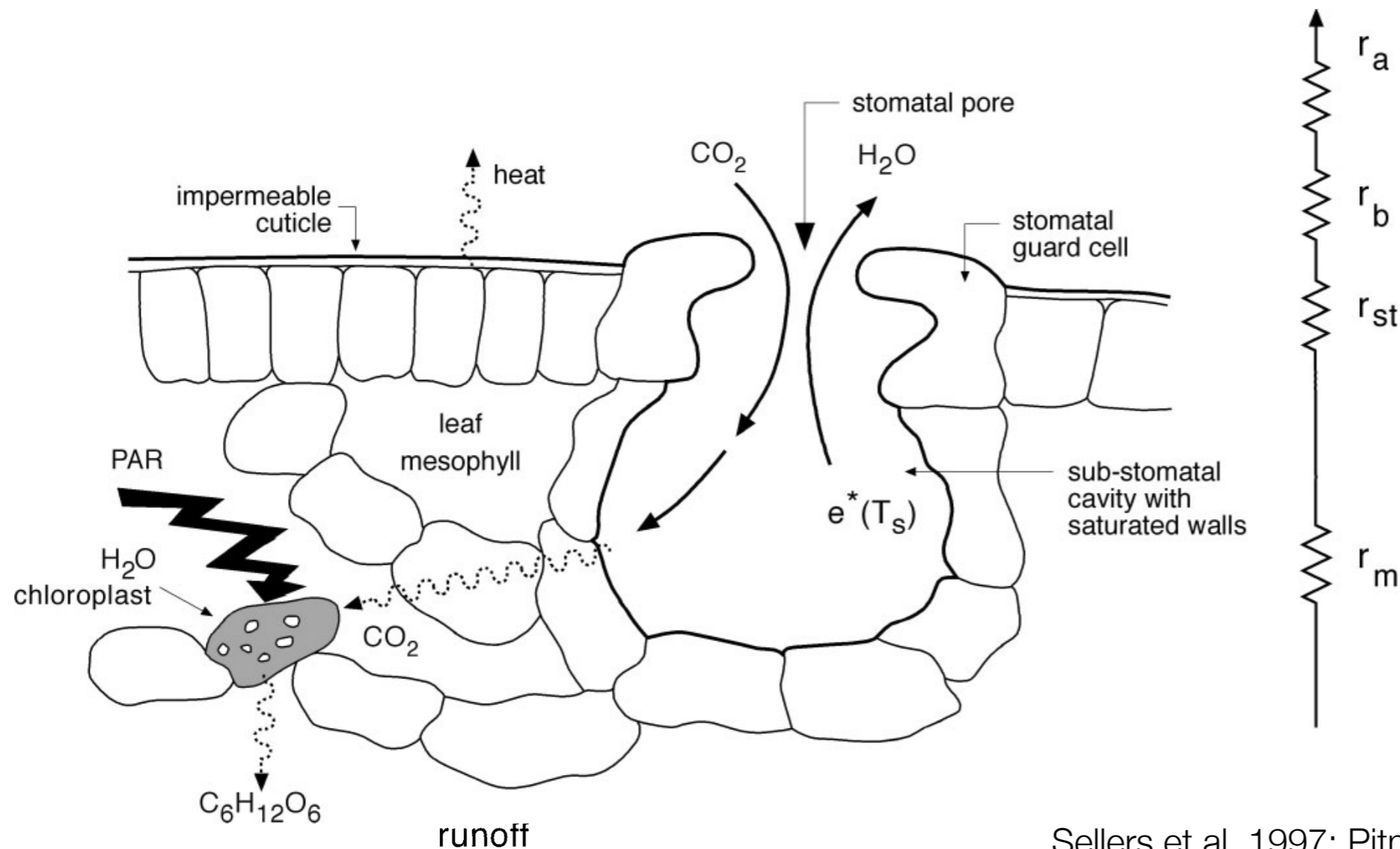
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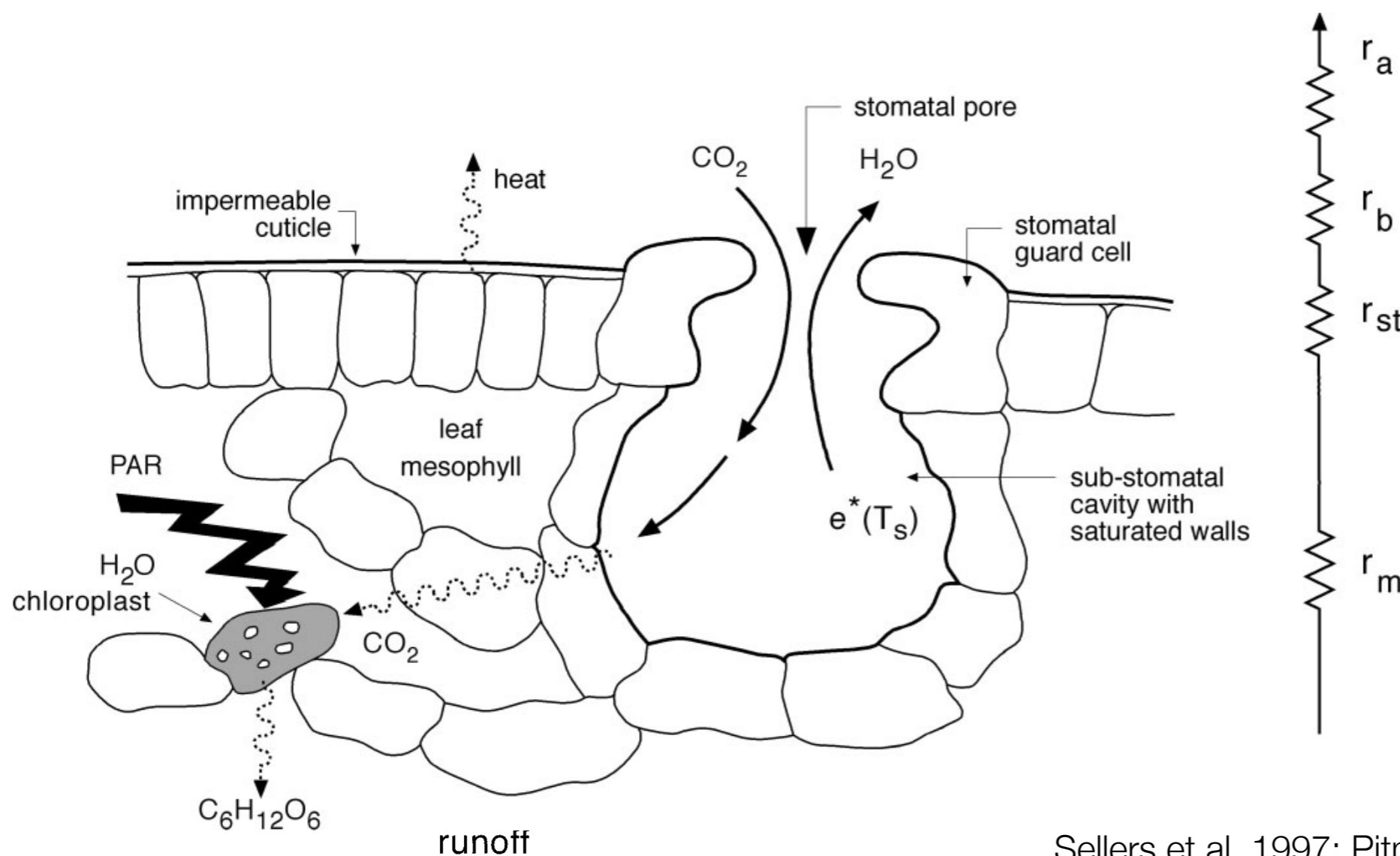
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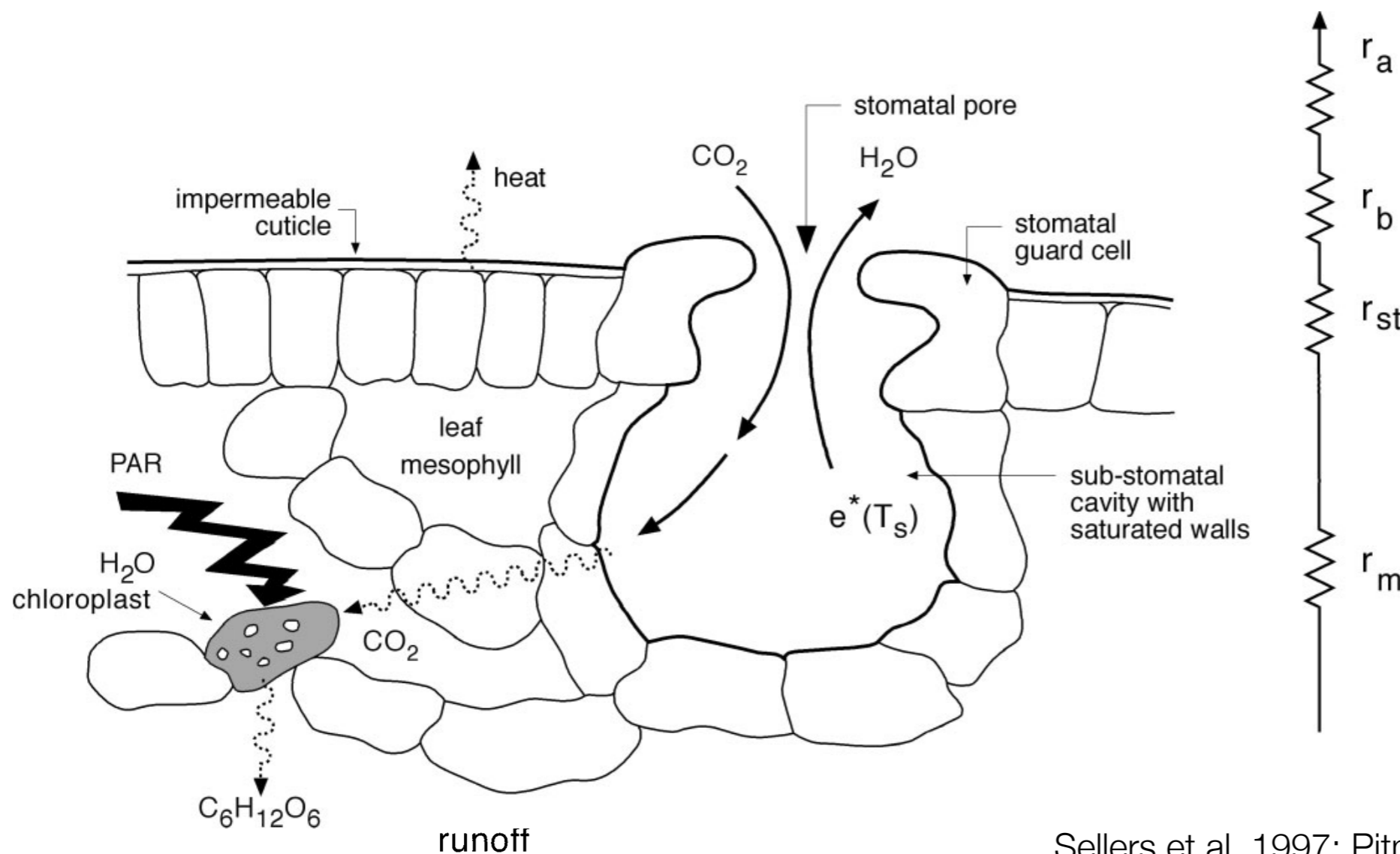
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Option	Leaf to canopy scaling	Radiation	N profile	Inhibition of leaf respiration in light
1	Big leaf	Beer’s law	Beer’s law	no
2	Multi-layer	Two stream	Constant through canopy	no
3	Multi-layer radiation with two classes (sunlit and shaded) for photosynthesis	Two stream	Constant through canopy	no
4	Multi-layer	Two stream	Decreases through canopy	yes
5	Multi-layer including sunlit and shaded leaves in each layer	Two stream with sunfleck penetration	Decreases through canopy	yes

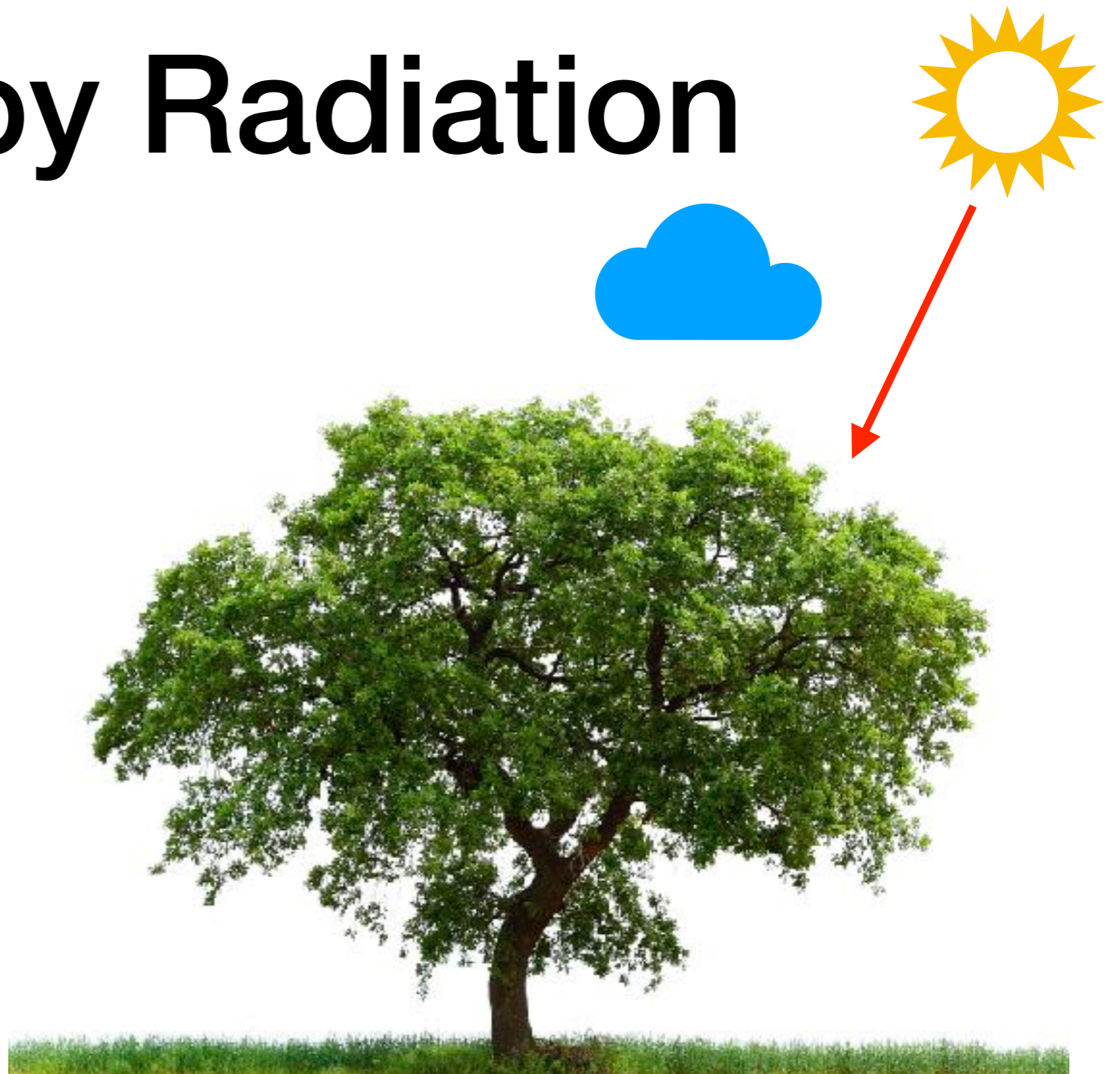
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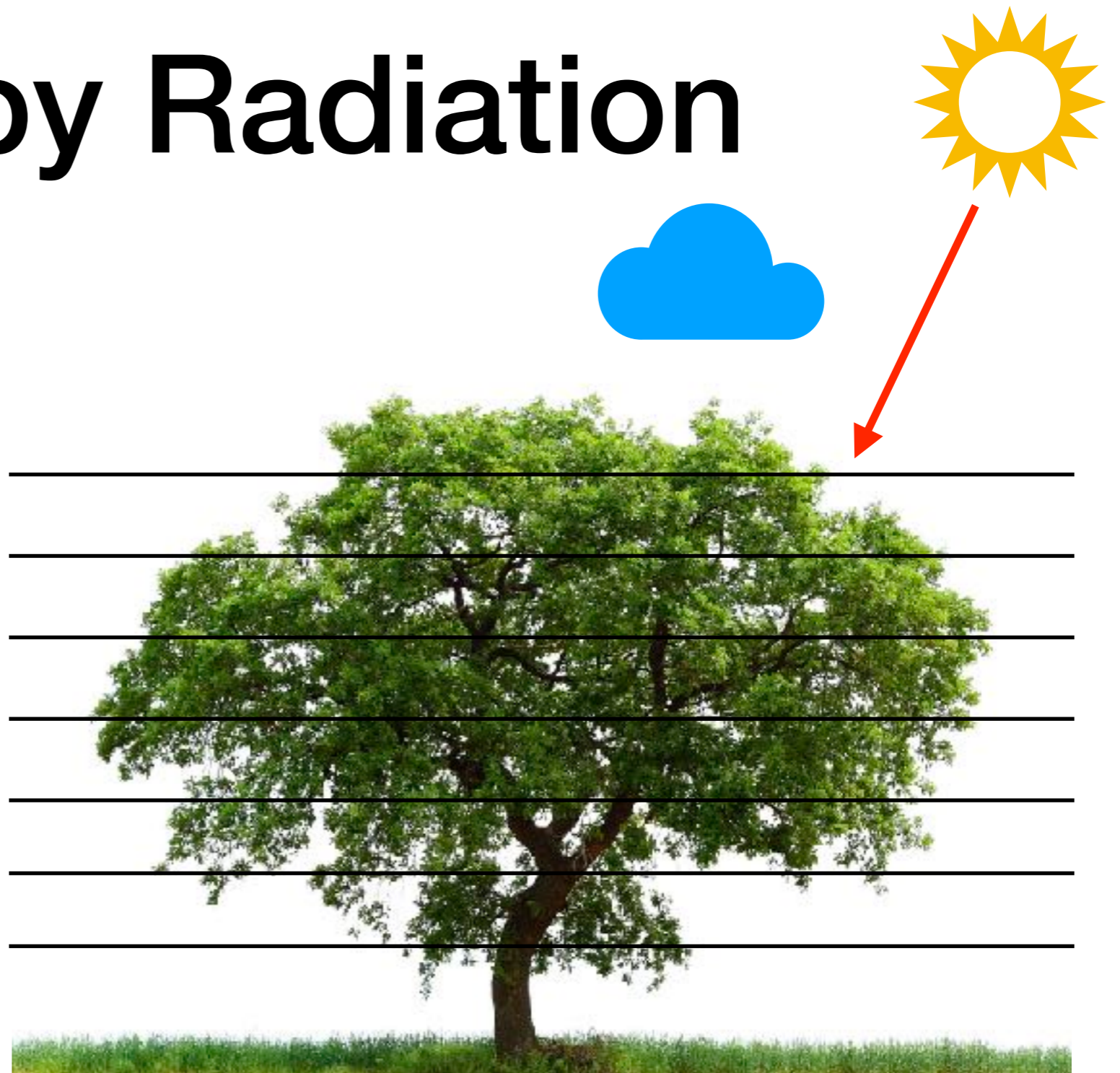
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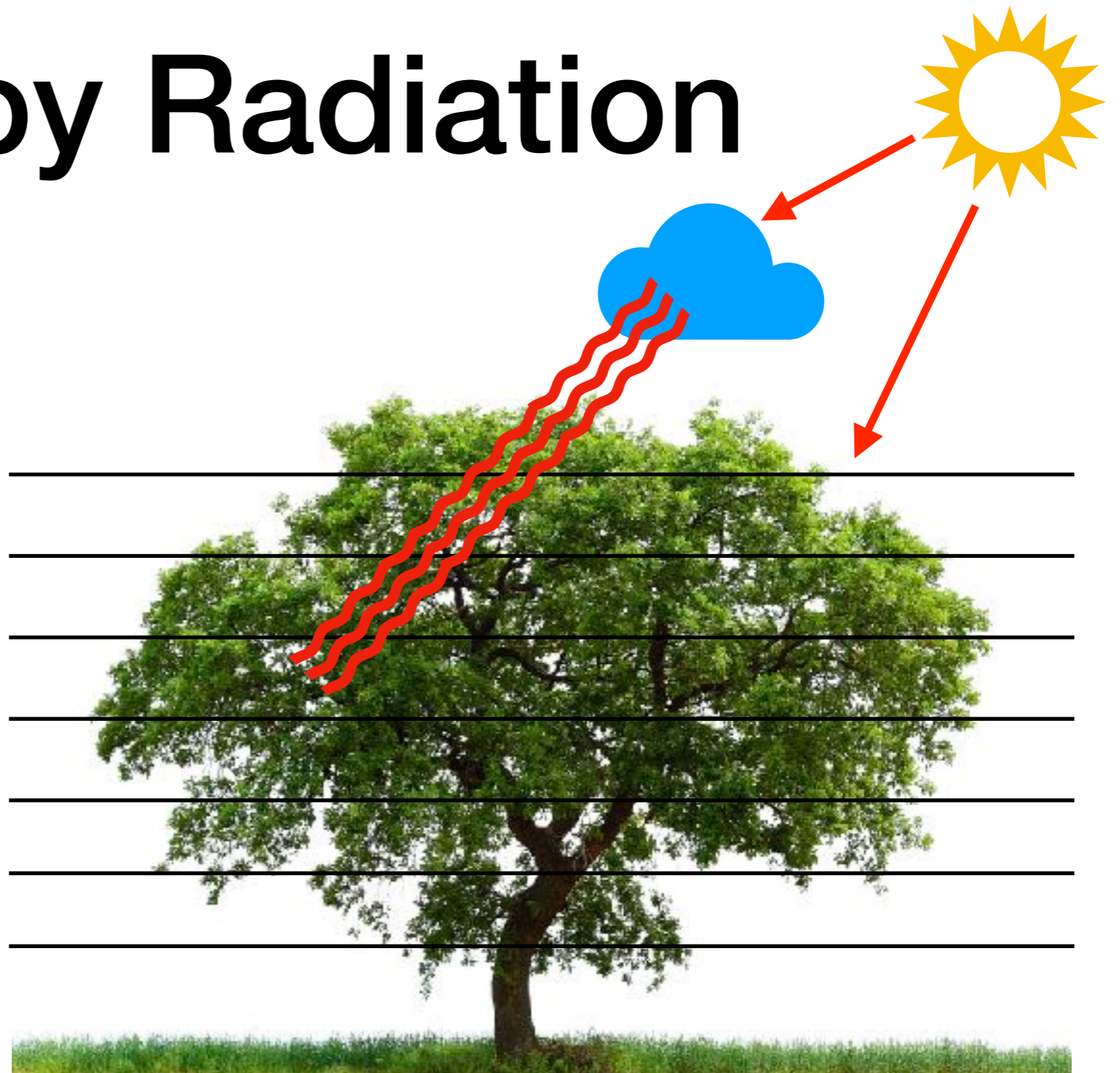
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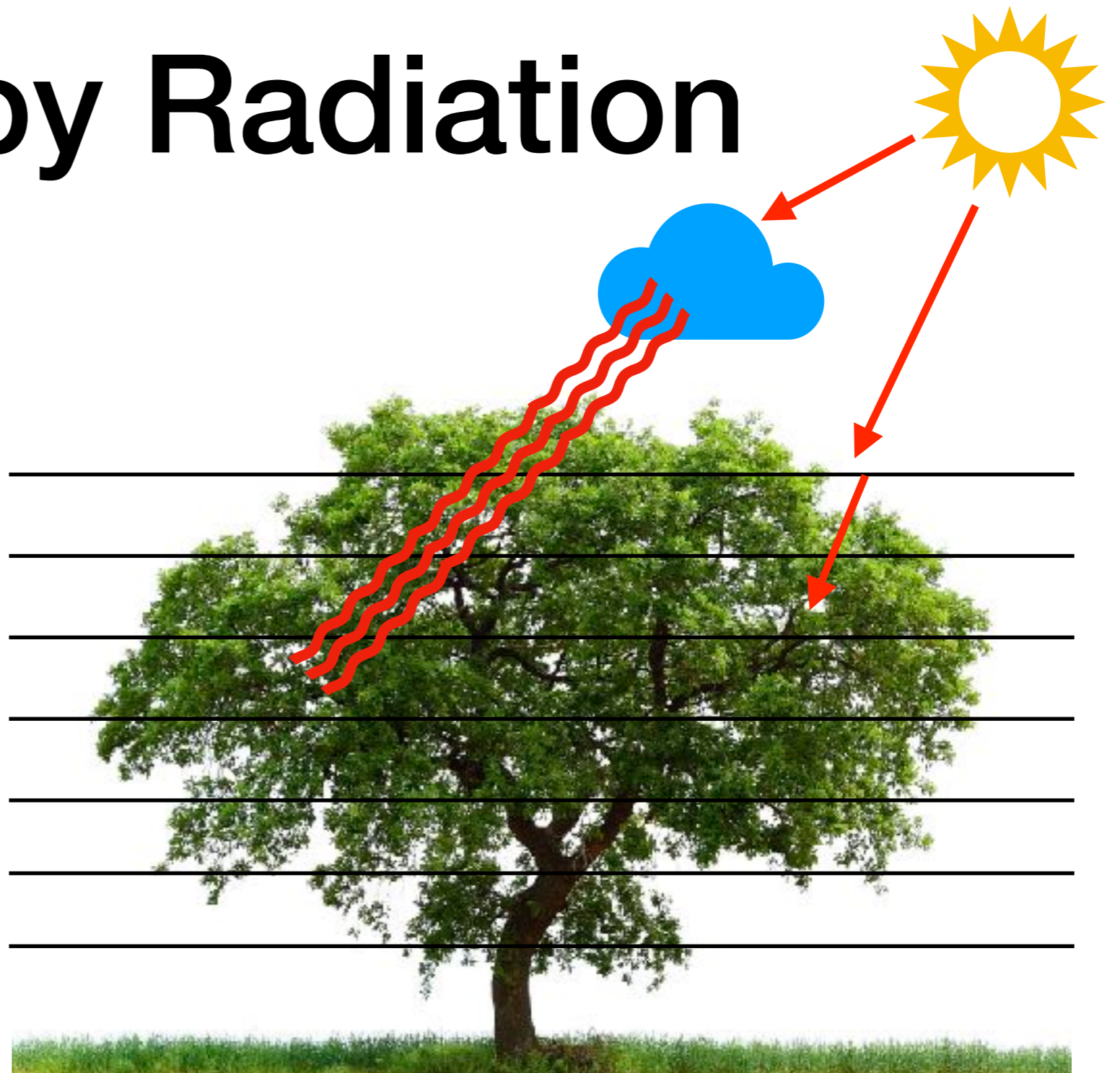
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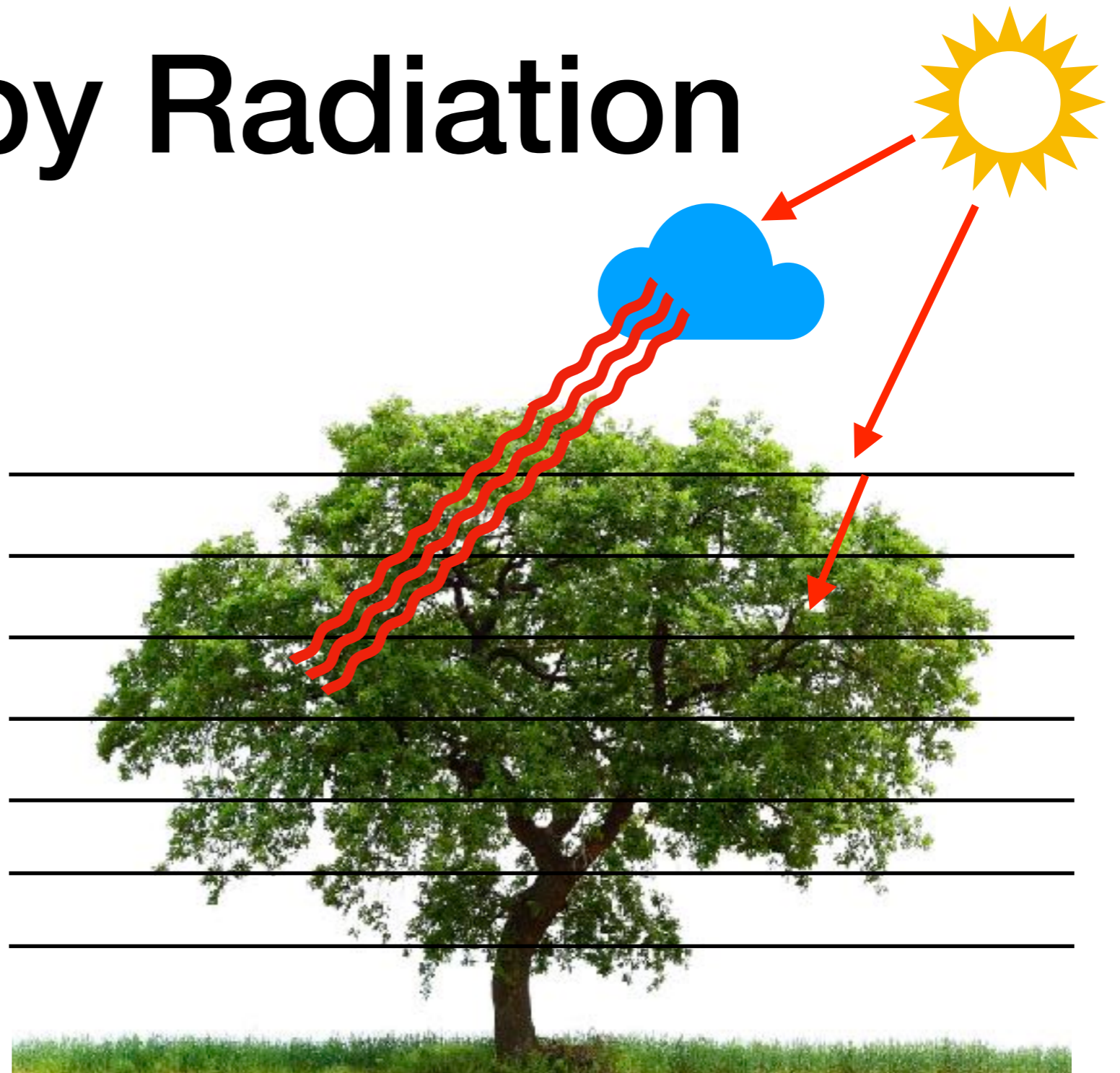
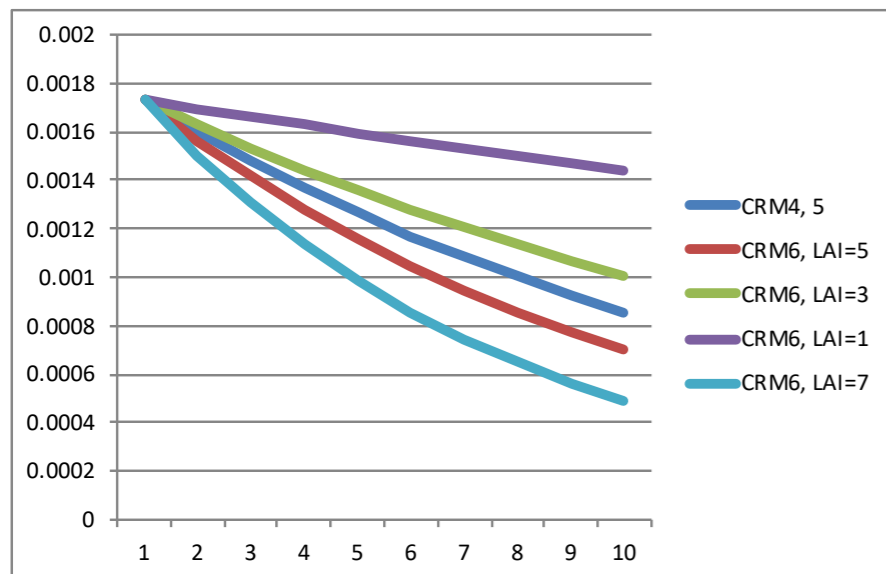
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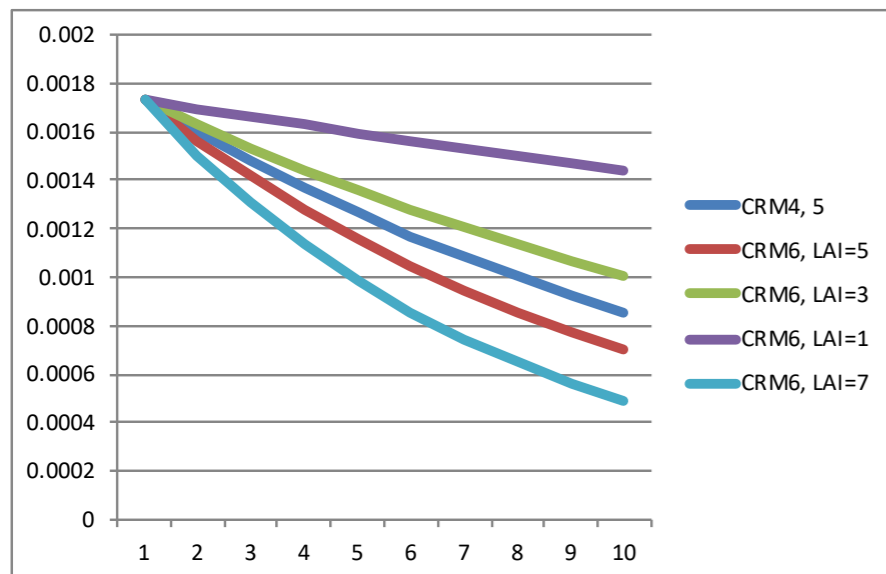
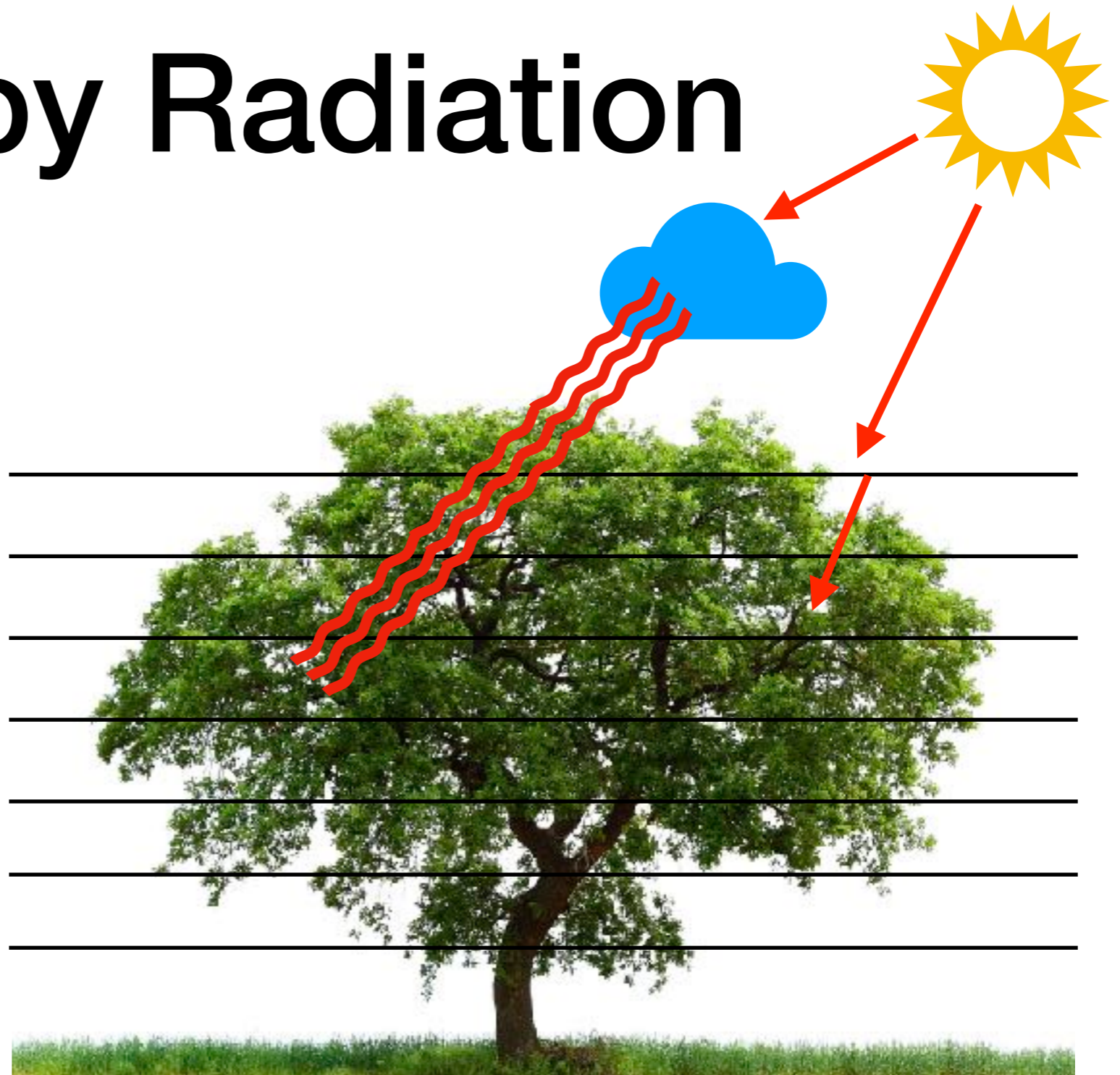
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So far, all of this is in the surface part of JULES code

Within surface part of code:

- sf_expl_jls → physiol (every model tilmestep, e.g. half-hourly or hourly)
- physiol calls:
 - albpft
 - root_frac
 - smc_ext (without and with irrigation)
 - raero
 - sf_stom
 - soil_evap
 - leaf_lit
 - cancap
 - urbanemis
 - microbe
- After physiol, sf_expl aggregates and accumulates fluxes for the next phenology and TRIFFID call (e.g. daily)

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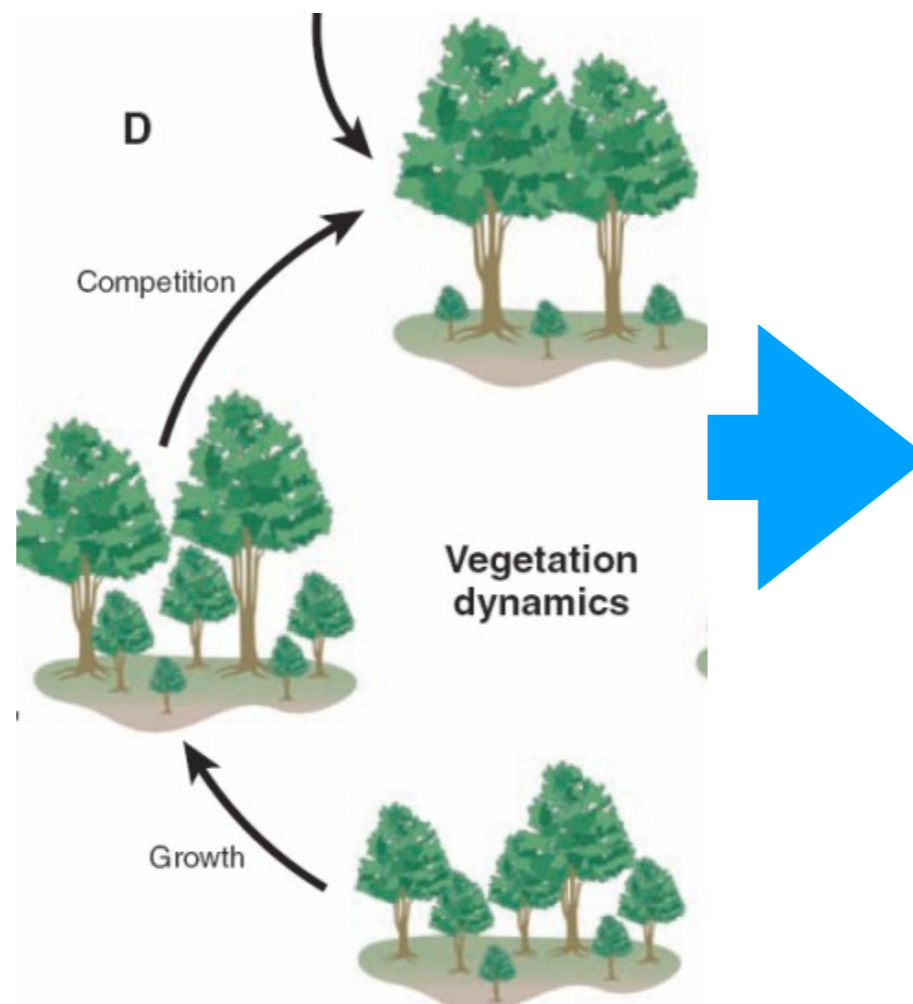
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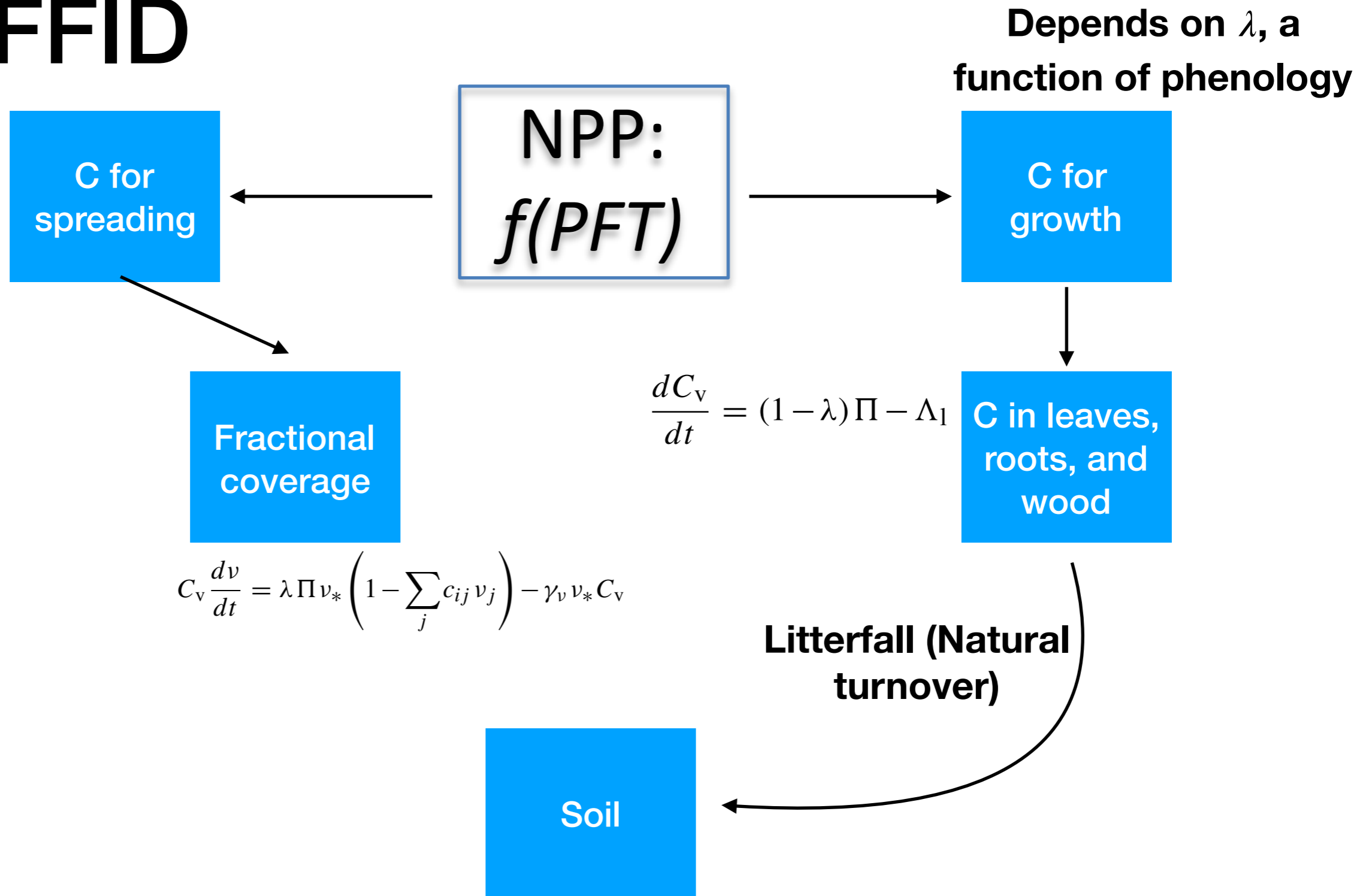
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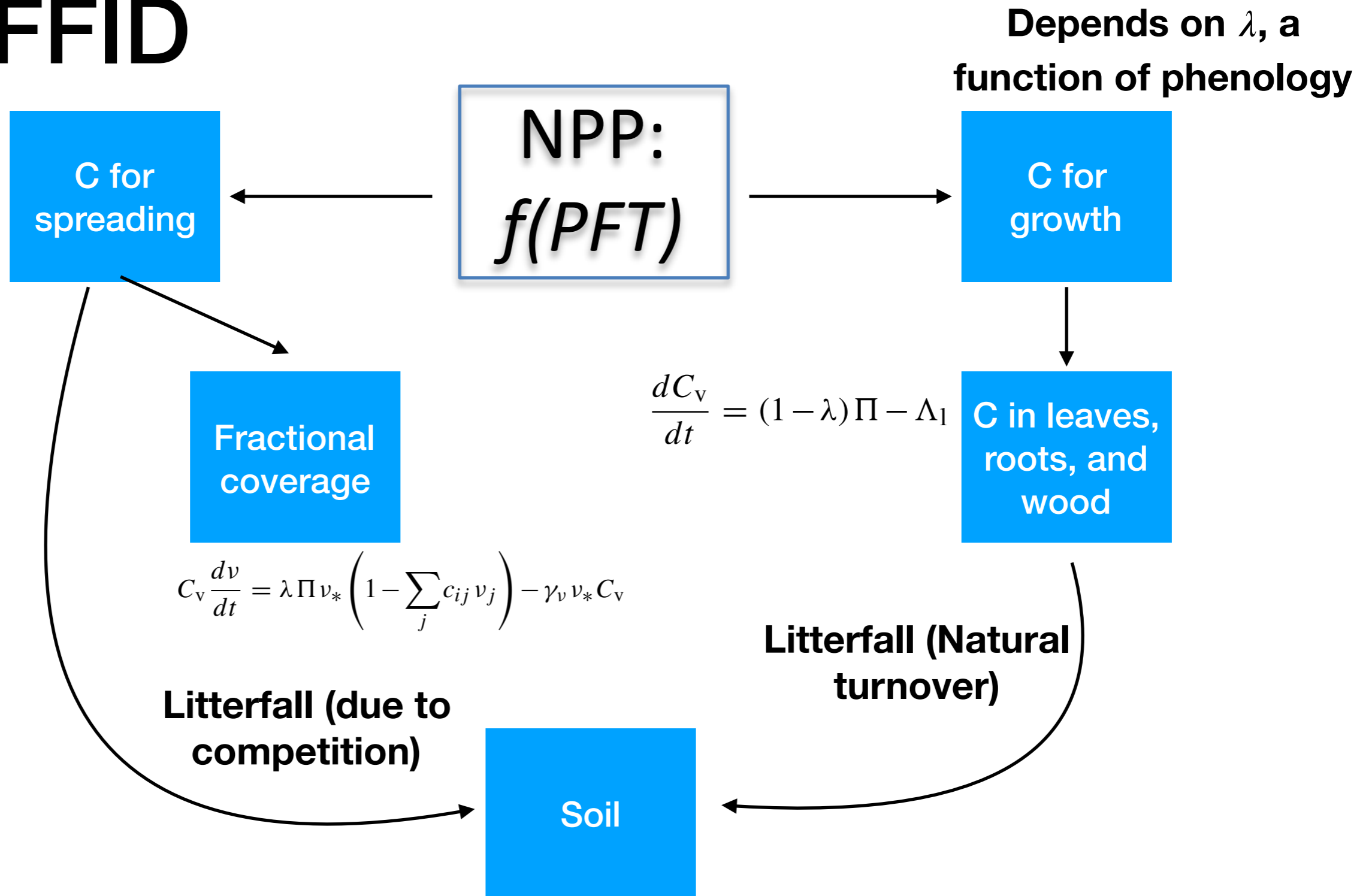
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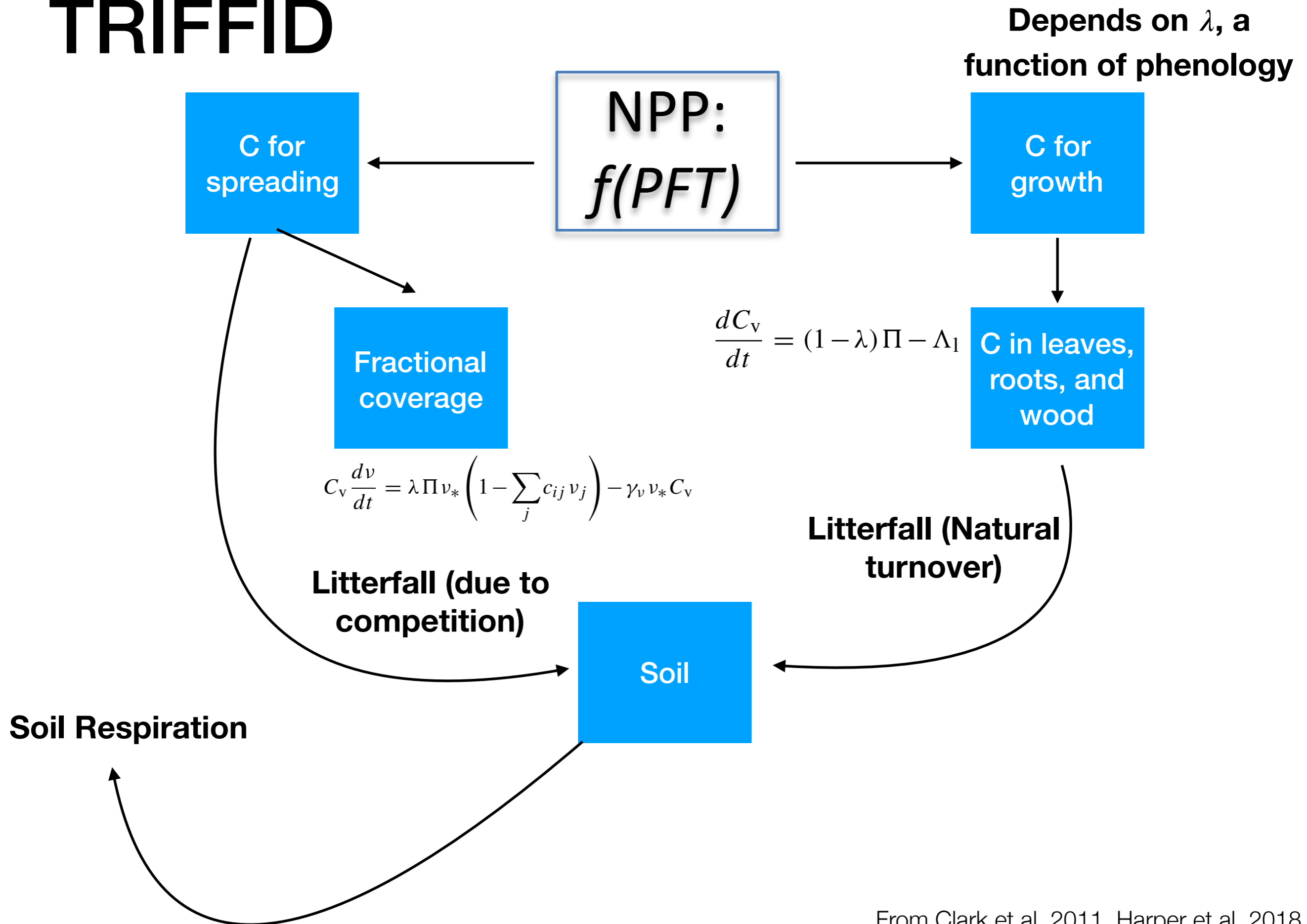
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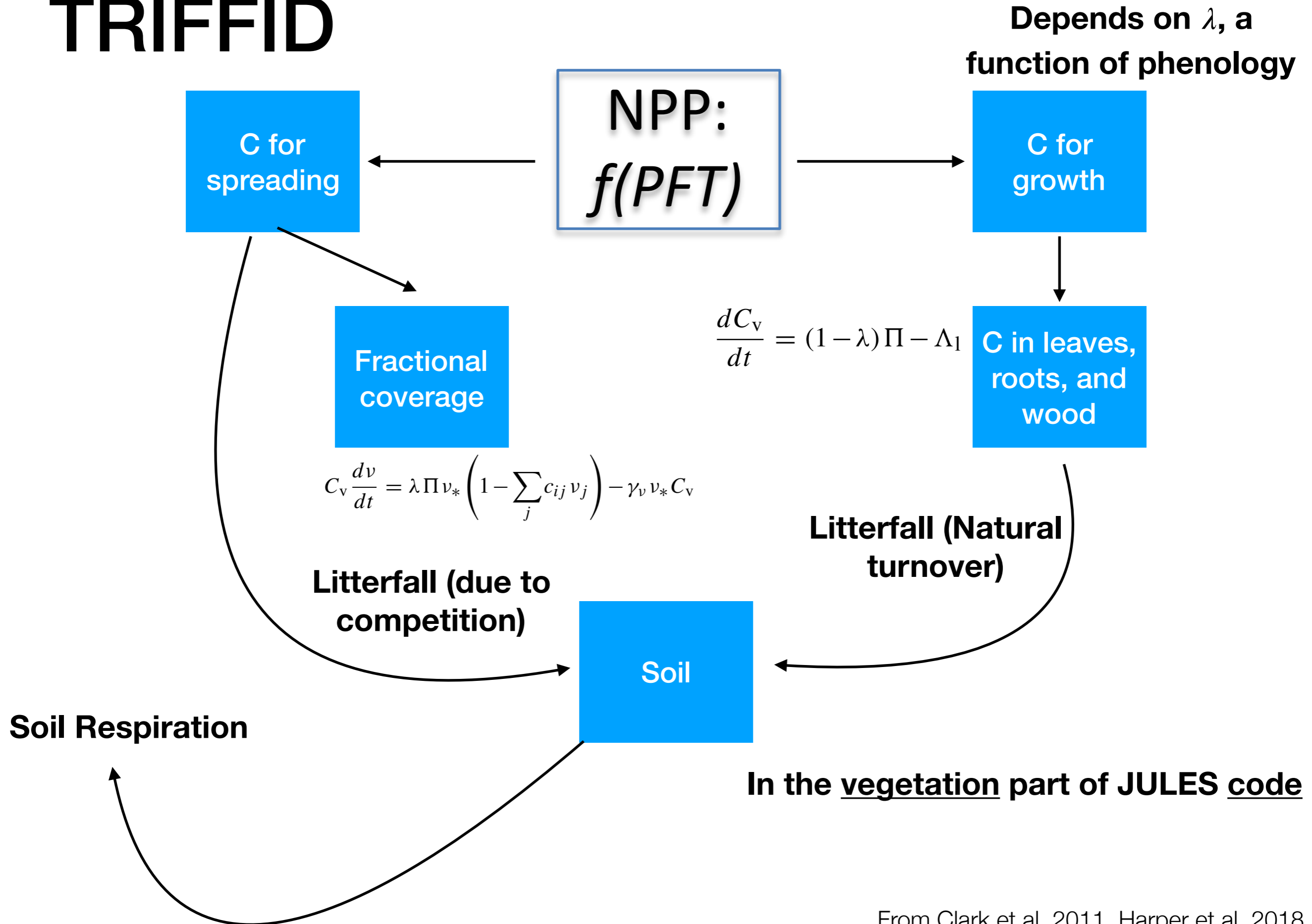
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Within vegetation part of code:

- First, in control/shared/surf_couple_extra_mod: either veg2 (TRIFFID+phenology) or veg1 (phenology only) is called.
- Veg2 first calls phenology
- Next it calls TRIFFID
 - Vegcarb: calculates local litterfall, change to vegetation C, which can be limited by N
 - Lotka competition (Equilibrium or Dynamic, can be called multiple times depending on land use settings & excludes land for agriculture or burnt area)
 - In between Lotka and soilcarb, the litter is diagnosed based on changes to PFT fractions and vegetation C. The TRIFFID harvesting is applied.
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- Wood prod

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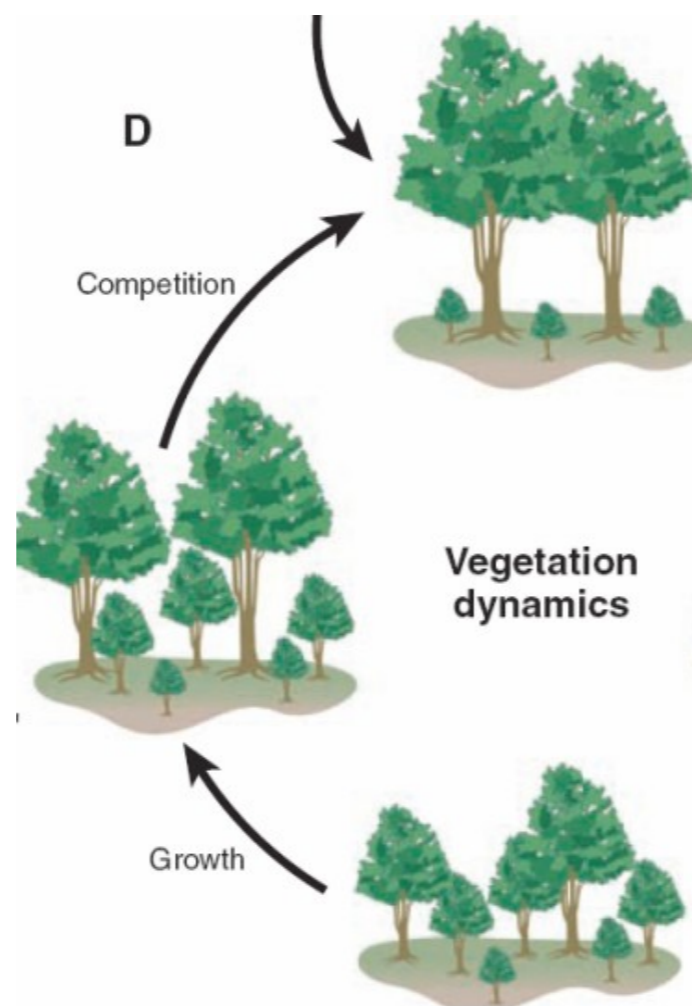
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Some other things I haven't mentioned ...

- Hydrology
- Soil physics
- Snow processes
- Rivers, inundation, runoff
- Phenology
- N cycle
- Fires
- Land use and agriculture

See <http://jules.jchmr.org/content/about> for more info or ask one of us.

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