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From the field-scale AquaCrop model to a regional gridded crop model

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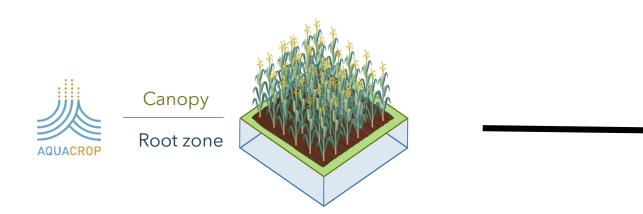
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Approach

Field to spatial crop model

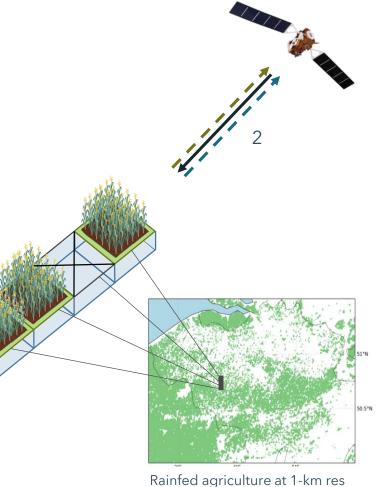
- 1. Simulate biomass development and soil moisture over Europe at 1-km resolution
- 2. Evaluate with Remote Sensing data: optical & microwave products



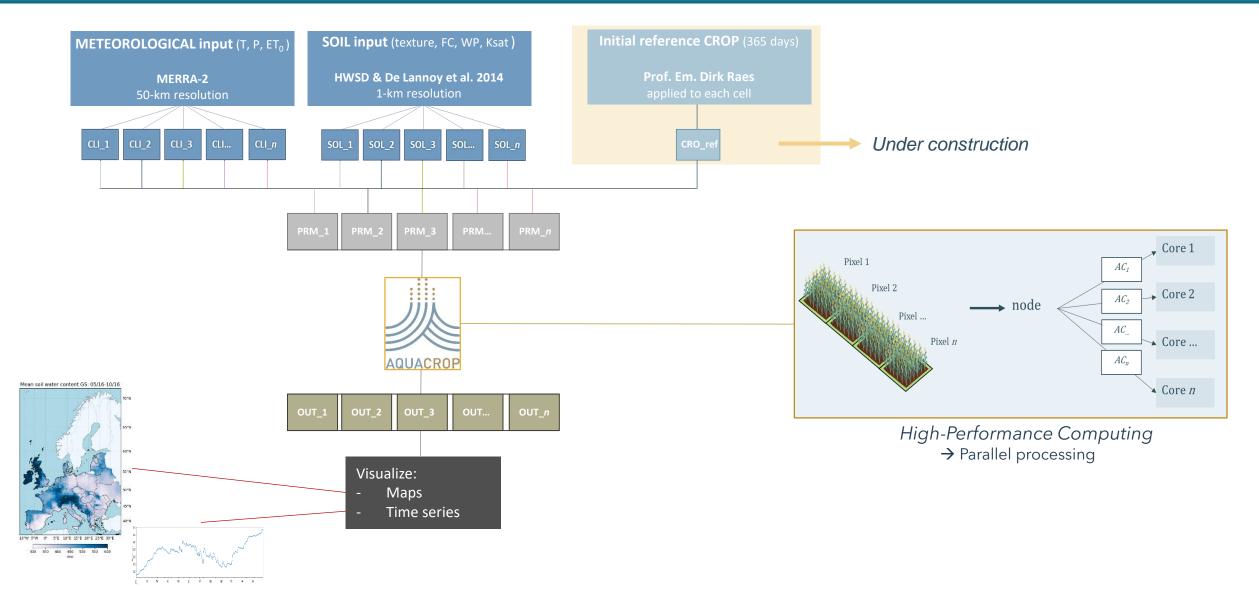
Climate change

Simulate future biomass production and changes in soil moisture

Need for shifts in irrigation? When, where?

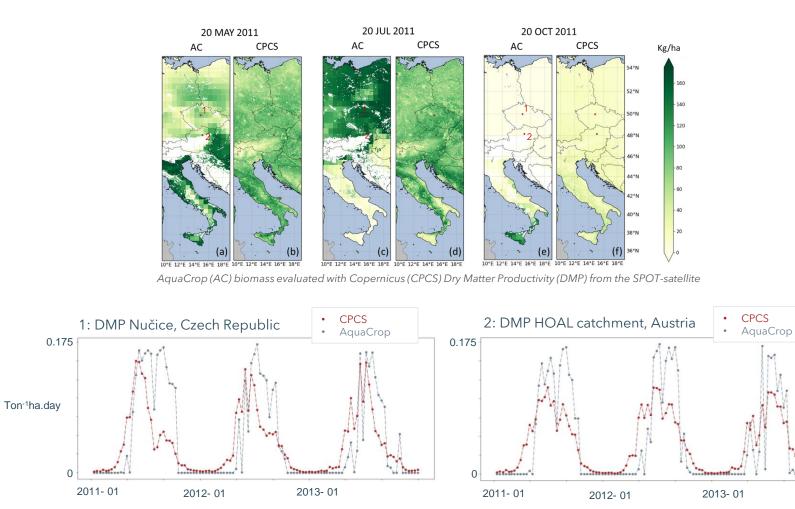


Model structure



Biomass production: Initial evaluation

- High temporal accuracy vs. low spatial accuracy
- Influence of coarse scale climate input (50-km res) clearly visible
 - -> Temperature and water stress main limiting factors to biomass growth



- Good temporal correlations for northern countries vs. low correlations in the South
 - New runs with calibrated crop file suggests improved correlations entire domain

