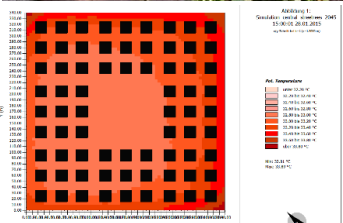
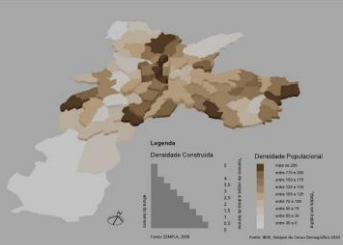
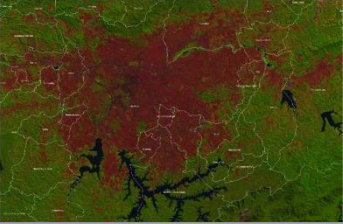


Vegetation and Urban Microclimate

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Microclimate impacts of vegetation

Which are these effects?

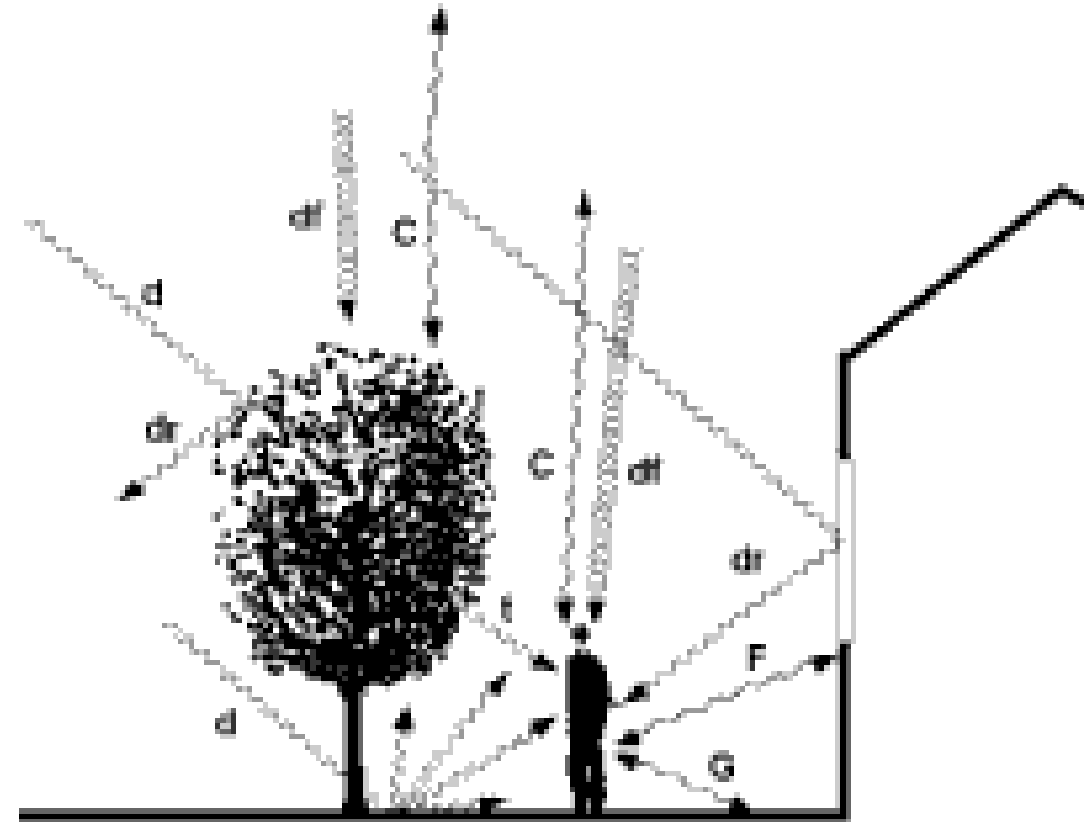
How big are these effects?

What is the spatial distribution of these effects?

How big is the influence of an urban park?

How far from the green areas could the microclimatic benefits be felt?

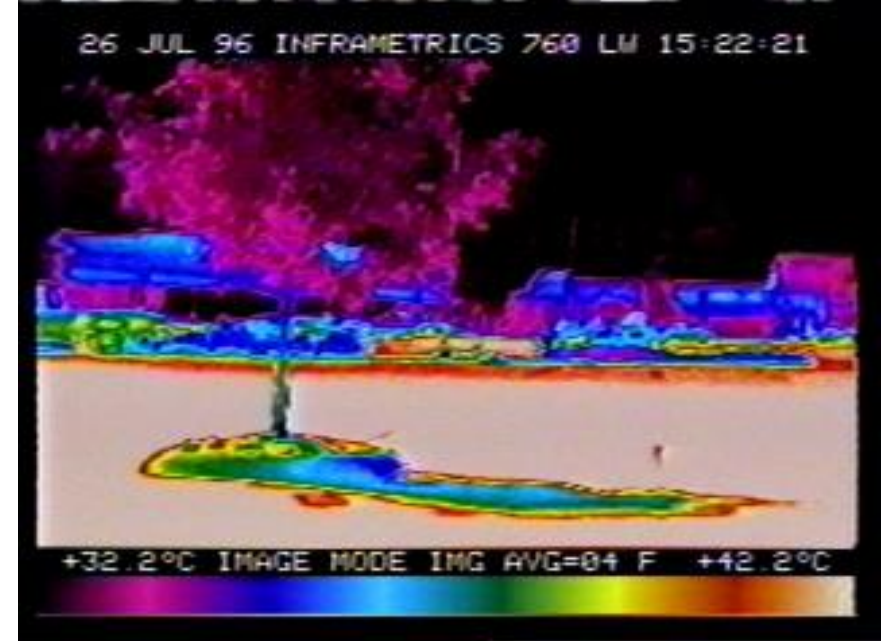
How to quantify the impact of shading, gap fraction, tree geometry and soil characteristics?



Vegetation Impacts

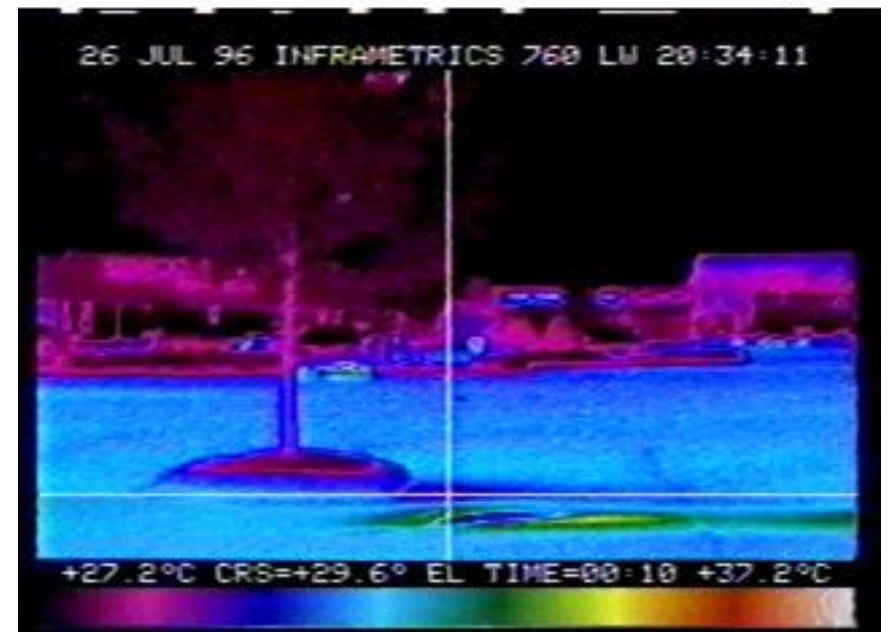
Differently from inert materials, energy process in vegetation happens by two mechanisms:

- physical
- biochemical (resultant from photosynthesis and CO₂ exchange)



Day

Night



Vegetation Impacts

The presence of vegetation influences two fundamental mechanisms to decrease urban heating:

- shading
- evapotranspiration through the leaves

besides other effects like:

- retention of particulate material (pollution)
- storage of atmospheric carbon, etc.

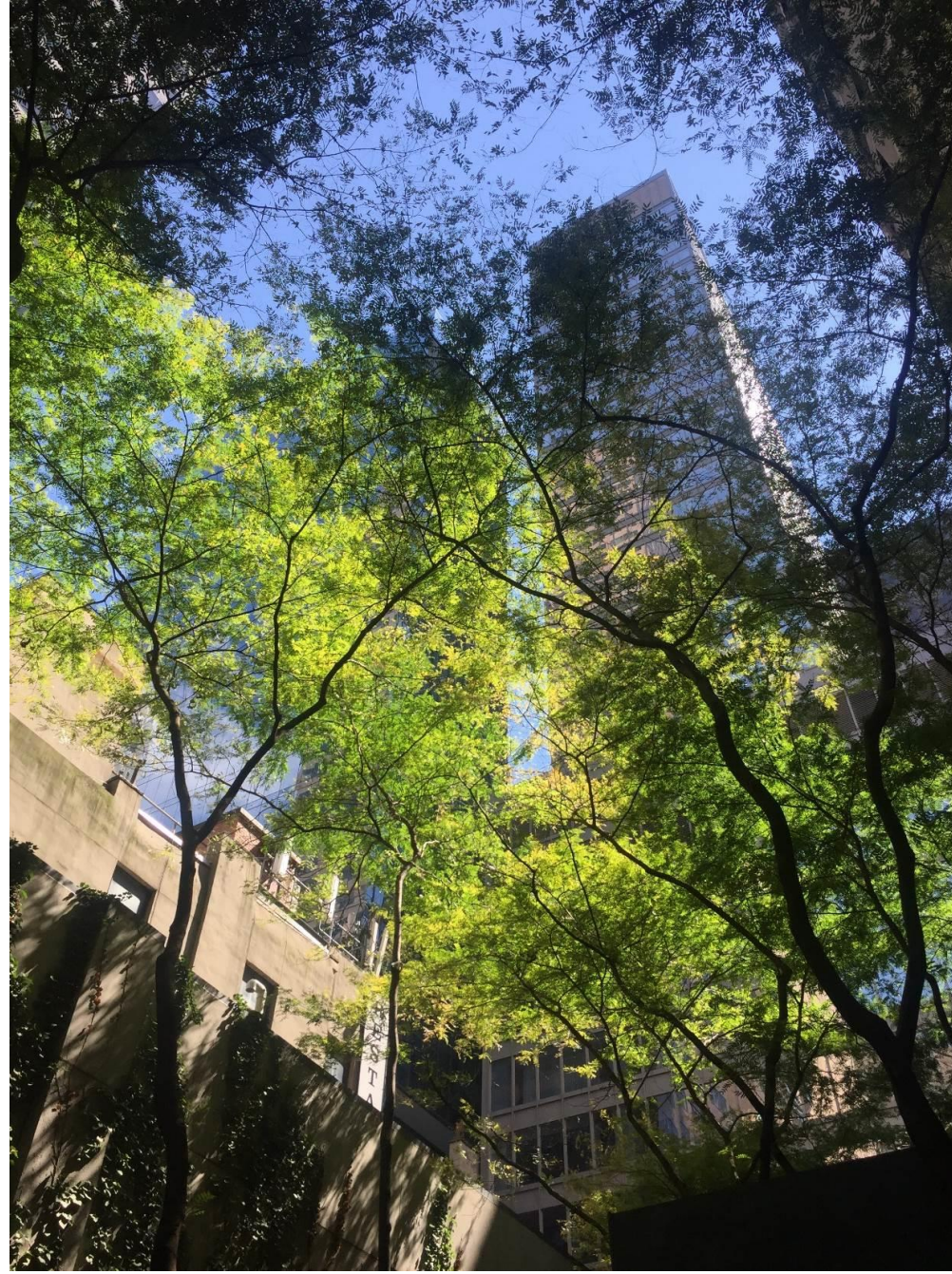


Vegetation Impacts

Vegetation mitigates urban warming not by cooling the air, but by warming the air less.

Vegetation is more efficient than the replacement of surfaces to lighter colour materials or with high reflection coefficients, because inert materials have the capacity to absorb and store heat, and even a white surface can reach 10°C higher than air temperature





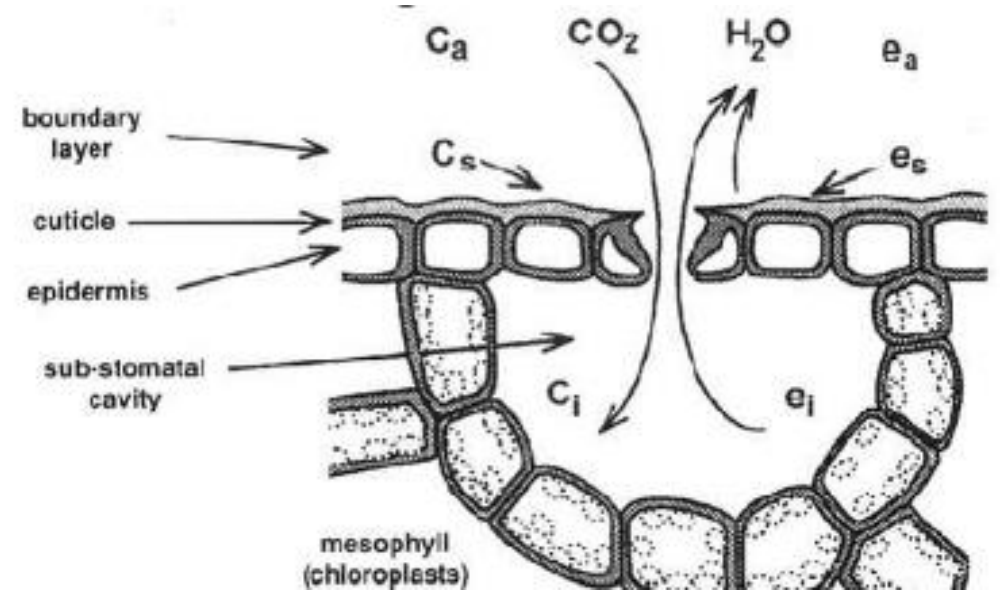
Paley Park, New York, summer 2018



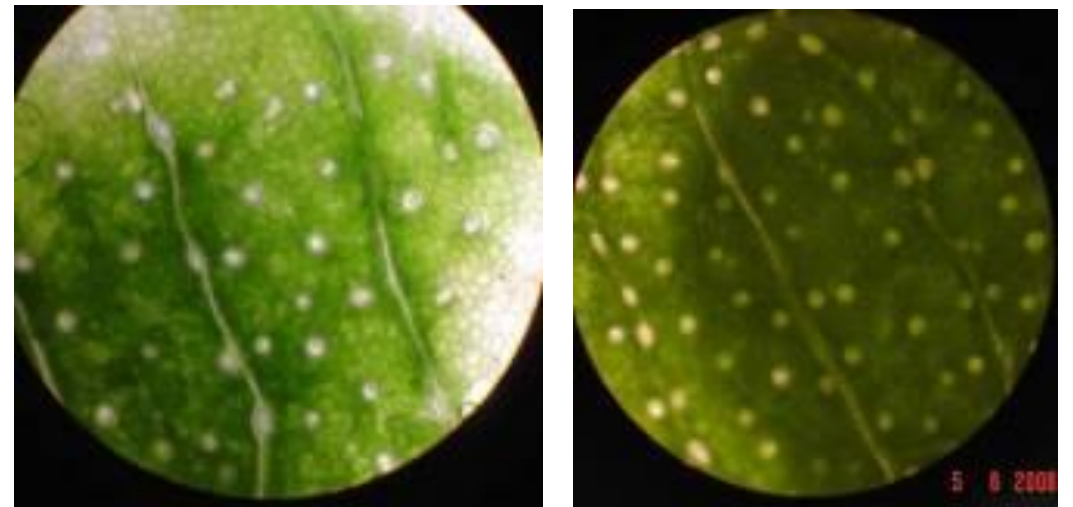
Central Park, New York, summer 2018

Evapotranspiration

- Includes water losses occurring through the soil surface and by the plant's stomata transpiration; stomata are porous in the surface of leaves linking the atmosphere to the interior of the plants
- This transpiration is a consequence of photosynthesis, once during the day, stomata remain open to receive and eliminate CO_2 , exposing, therefore, the humidity in its interior.
- In warm days, the trees act like a natural evaporative cooling system, and a bigger amount of absorbed radiation is dissipated as latent heat instead of sensible heat



Gaseous exchanges by stomata at the leaf surface. Source: Oke (1978)



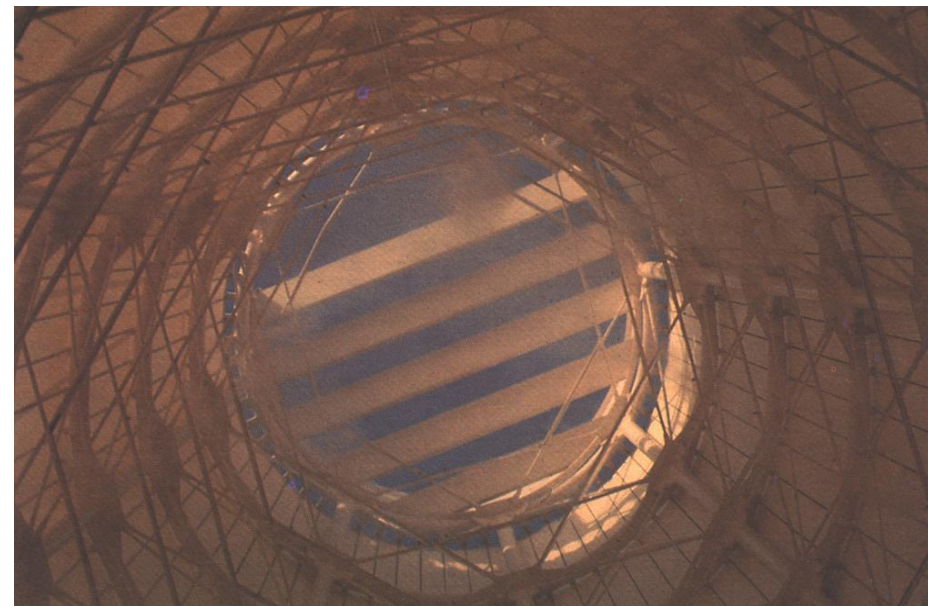
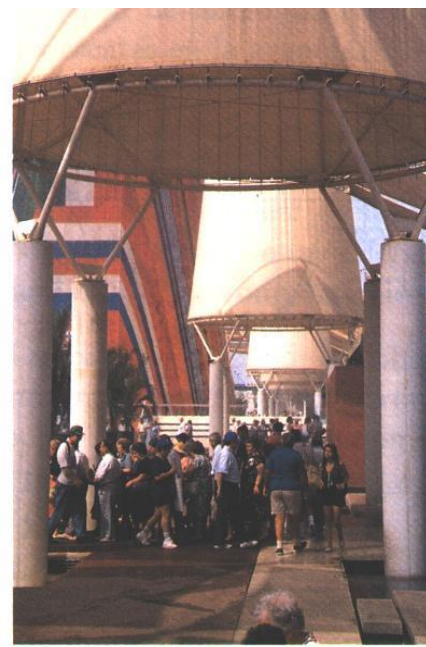
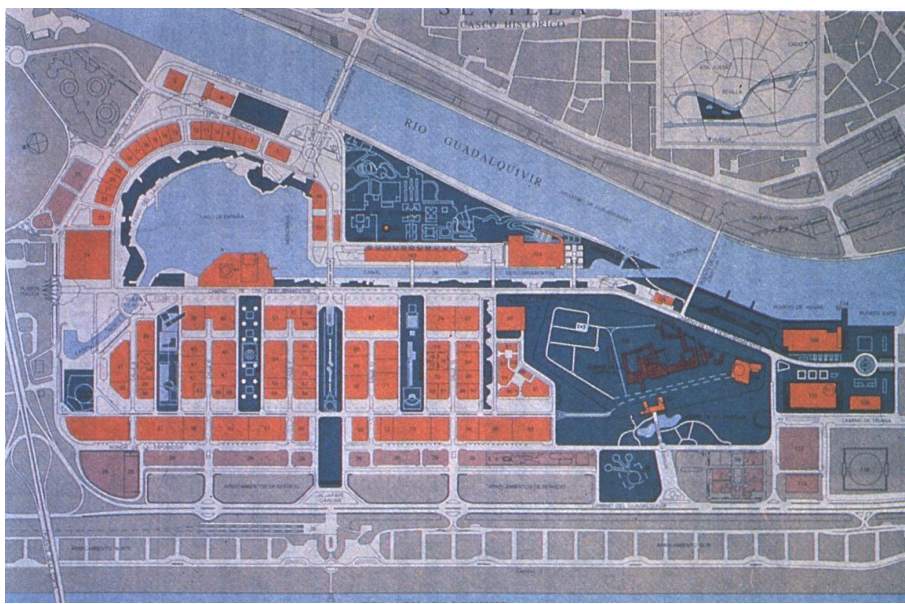
Stamata seen in a microscope (P. Shinzato)



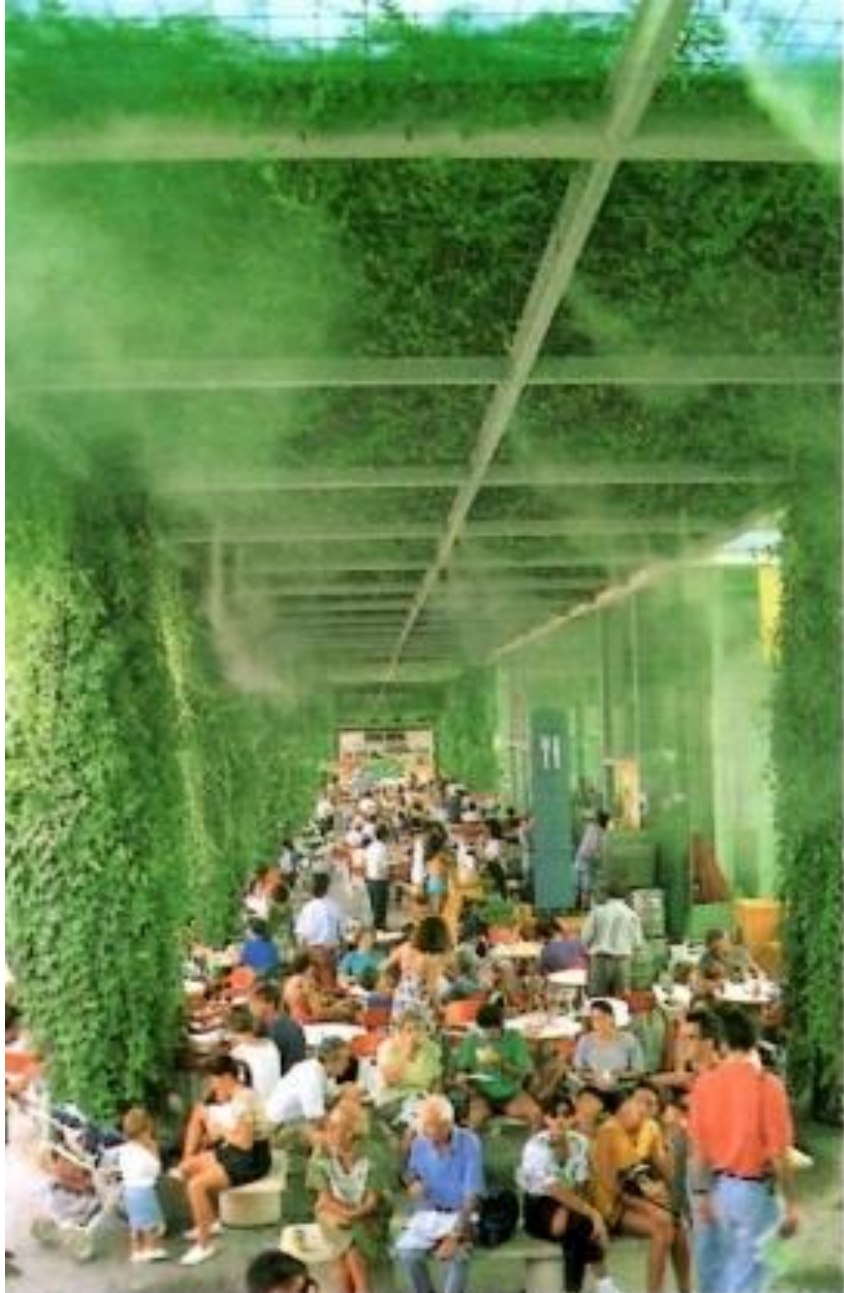
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Place de la République, Paris



Harlem, NY, during the heatwave, in August 2018

But, some conditions are crucial.....

- The capacity of trees in modifying microclimate conditions in its surroundings is a function of season, regional climate, size of green area, kind of soil underneath and amount of leaves.
- Water availability is crucial to increase latent heat transfer through vegetation
- Surface covered with vegetation is more efficient in transforming energy. Therefore, the bigger the exposed area of the leaves, the bigger the effect. In this sense, leaf area index – LAI has a direct relation with the amount of light energy and CO₂ consumption.

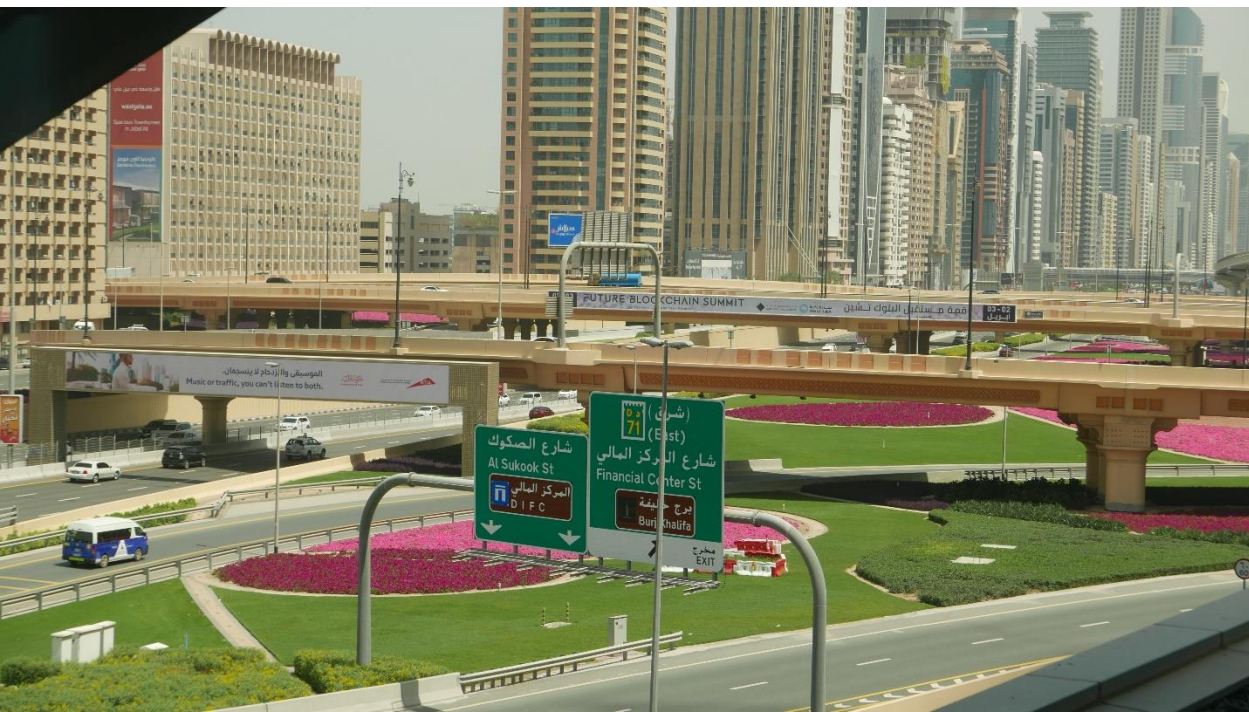




Dubai, UAE, April 2019







Energy balance of vegetated surfaces

$$Q^* = Q_H + Q_E + \Delta Q_S + \Delta Q_P \quad (\text{W/m}^2)$$

Q^* = net all-wave radiation flux density

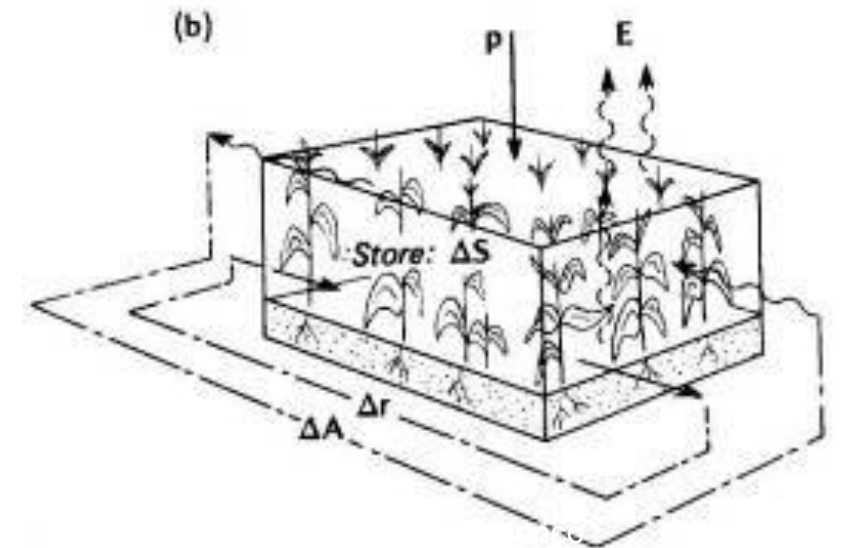
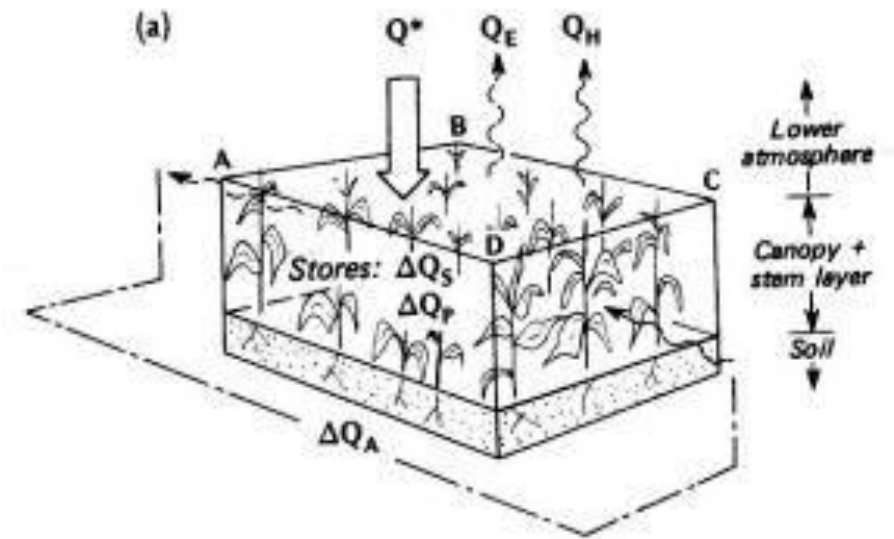
Q_H = turbulent sensible heat flux density

Q_E = turbulent latent heat flux density

ΔQ_S = net rate of physical heat storage by substances in the system

ΔQ_P = net rate of biochemical energy storage due to photosynthesis

Besides energy balance, it is important to consider the water balance including all the water involved in soil, vegetation and atmosphere.



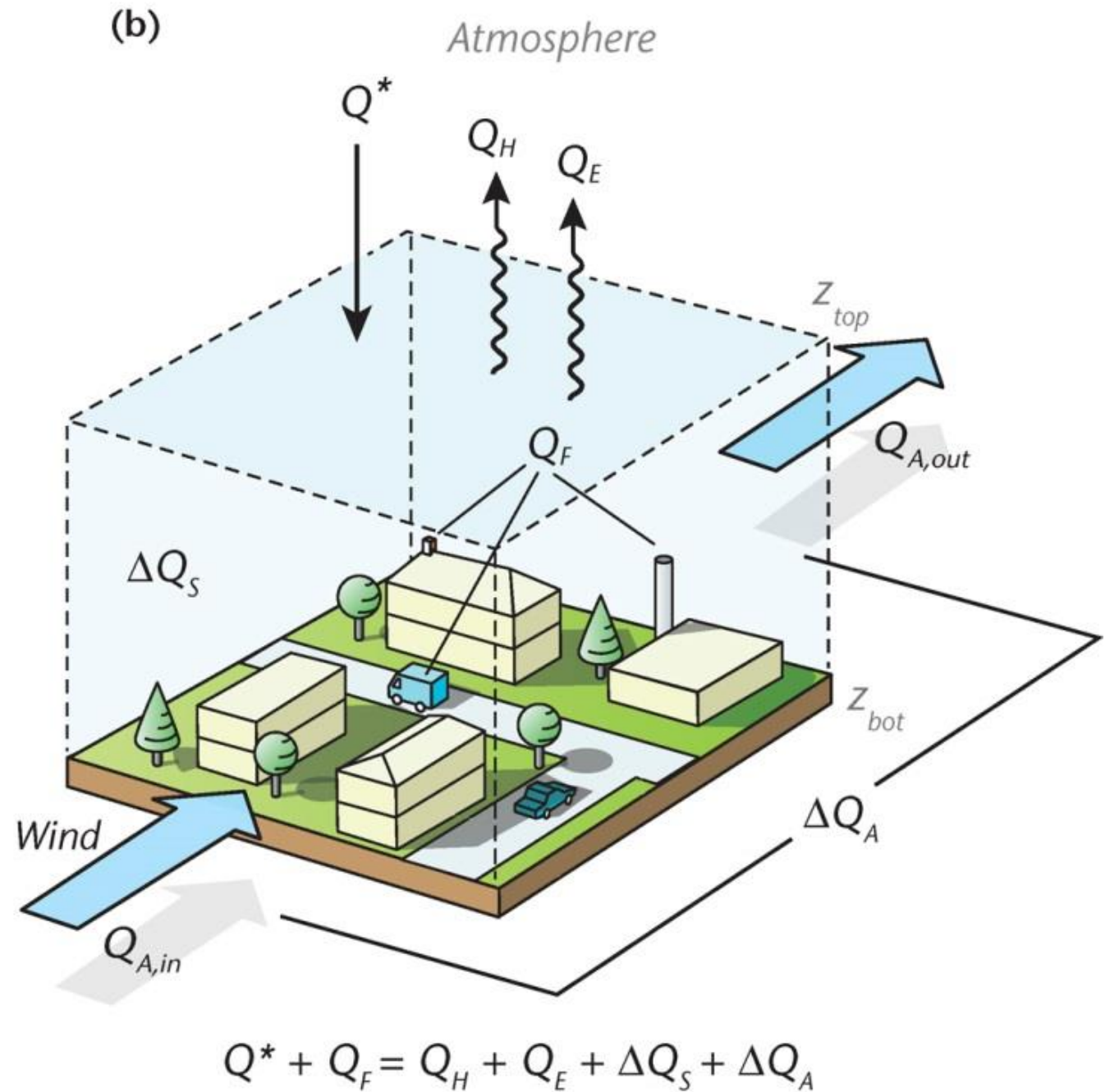
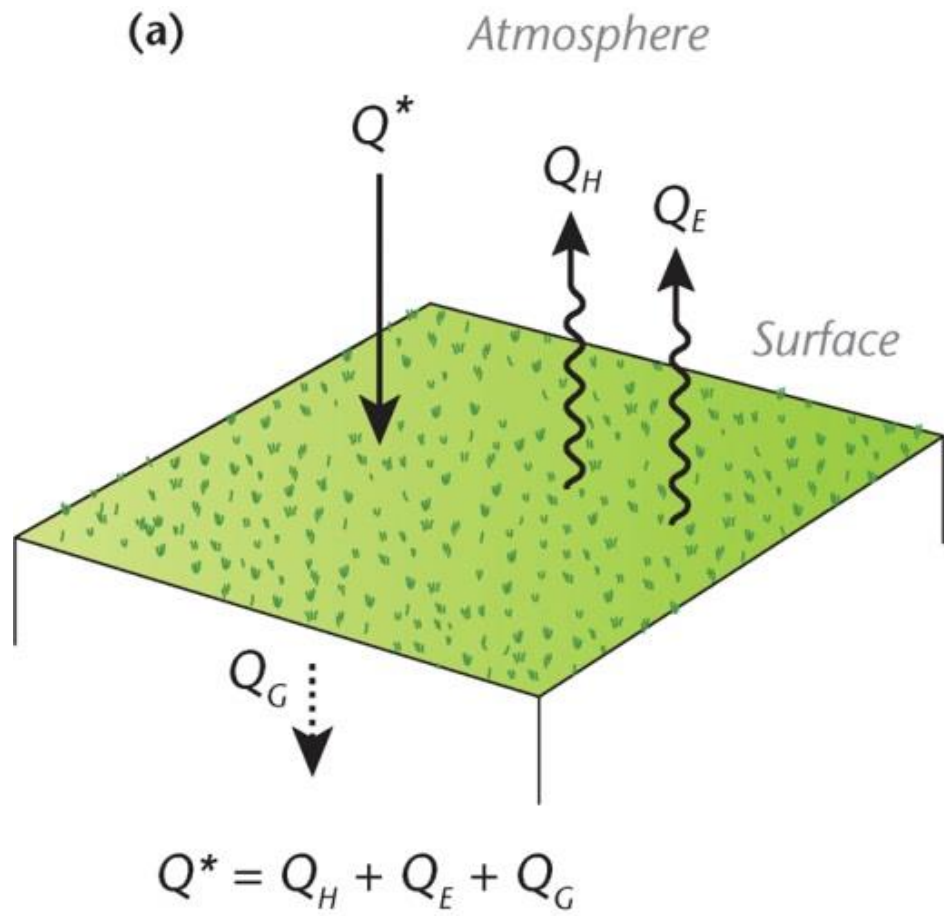
Schematic depiction of fluxes involved in (a) the energy and (b) the water balances of a soil-plant-air volume (Oke, 1987)



Sensible heat



Latent heat

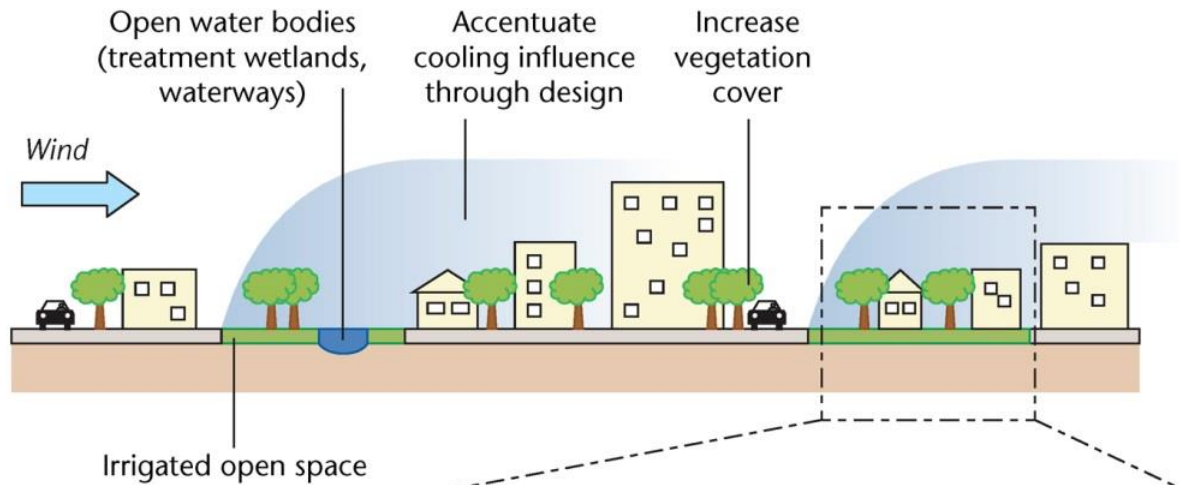


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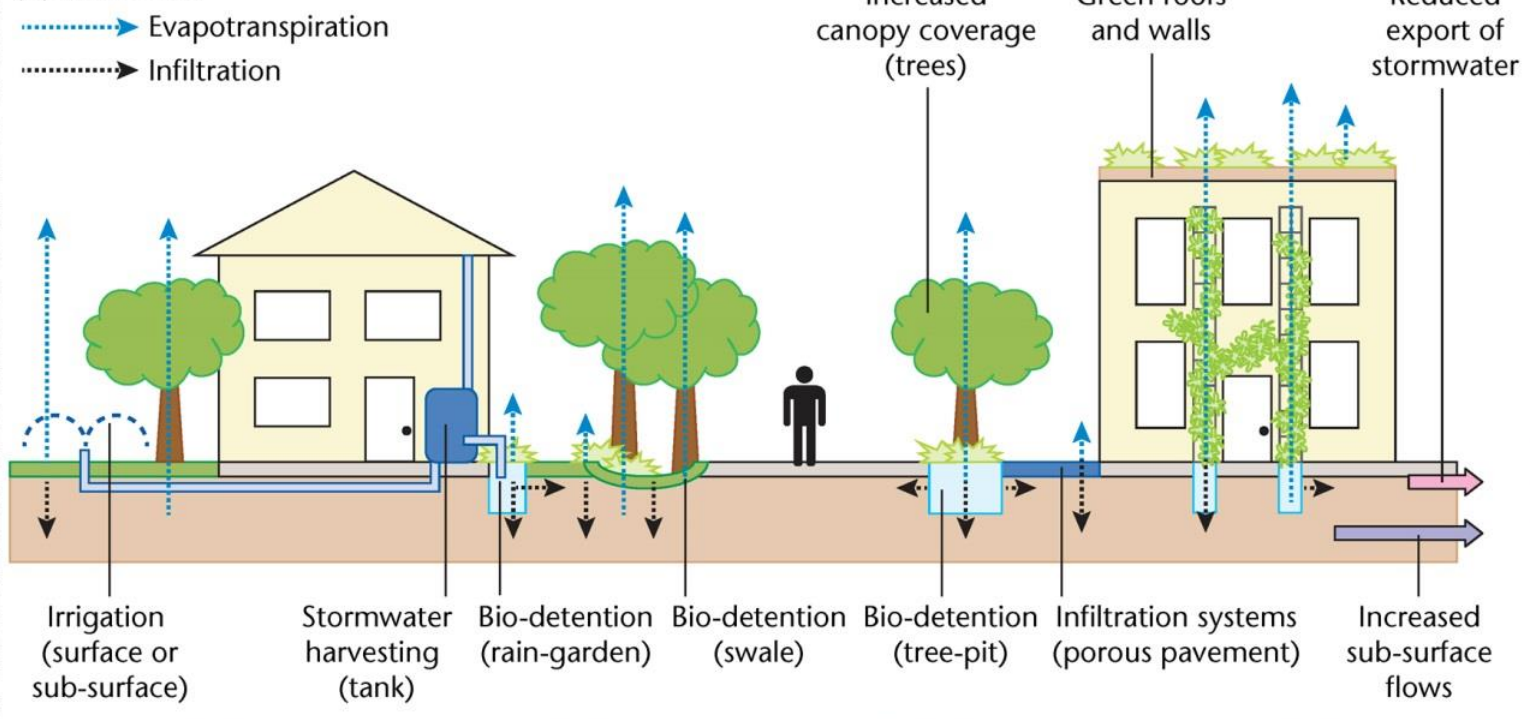
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(a) Local-scale



(b) Microscale



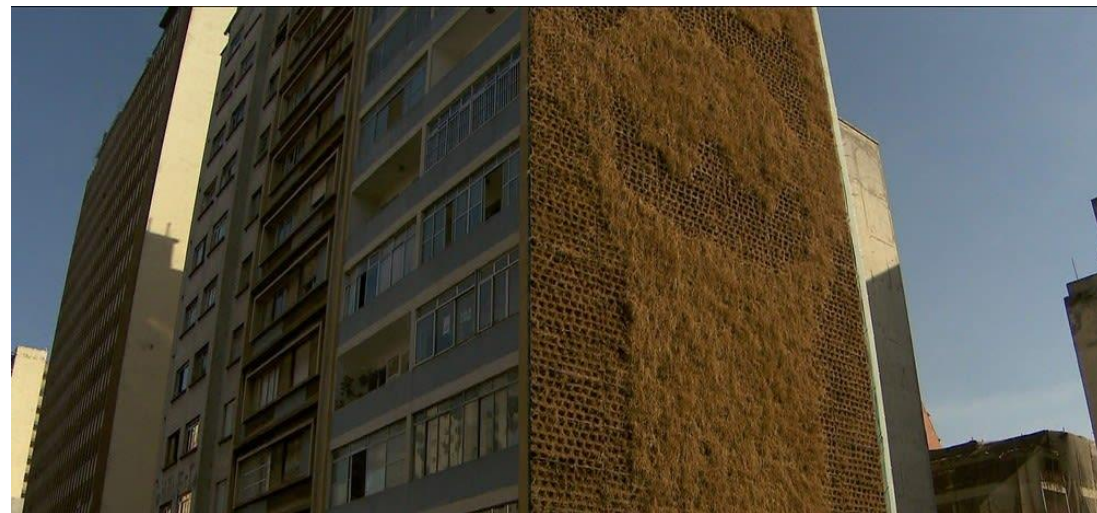
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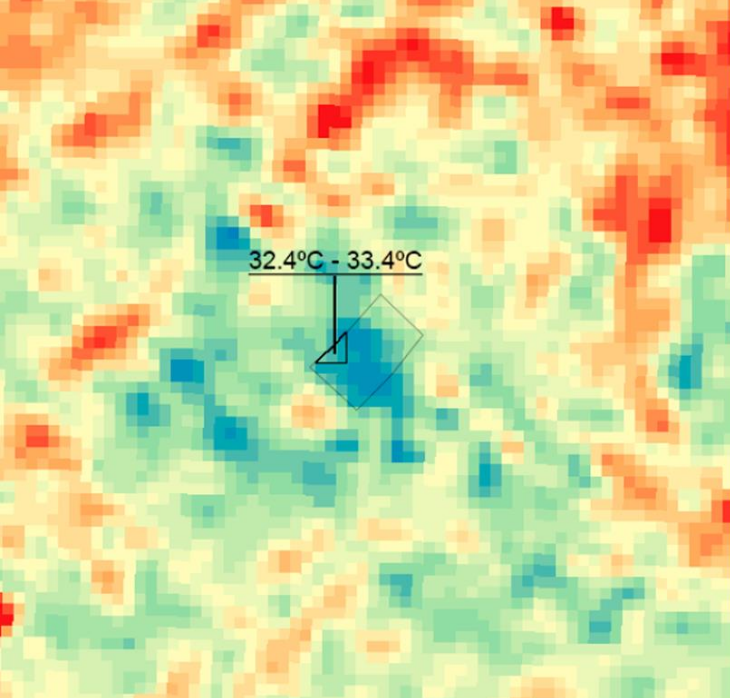


Local scale measurements

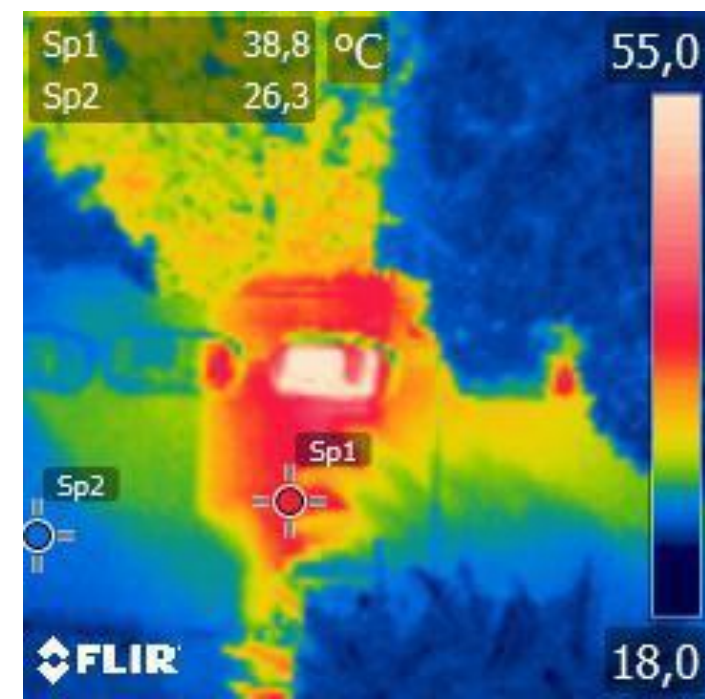
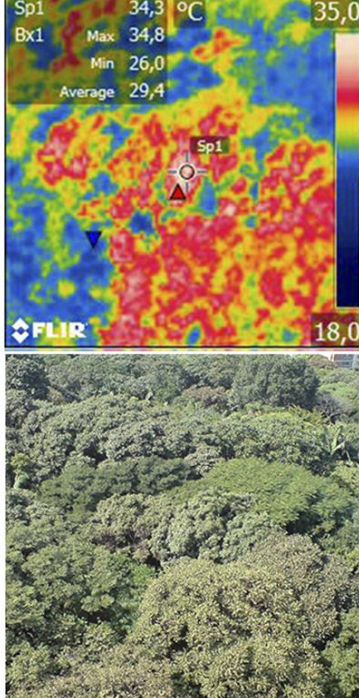
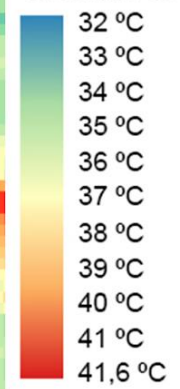
Field measurements can be carried out to raise local data for:

- Surface temperature, with a thermographic camera, sometimes simultaneous with Landsat schedules, for comparison;
- Leaf area index of individual trees and, in average, inside urban parks;
- Vegetation emissivity;
- Façade, pavements and vegetation surface temperature, to be verified with modelling results.



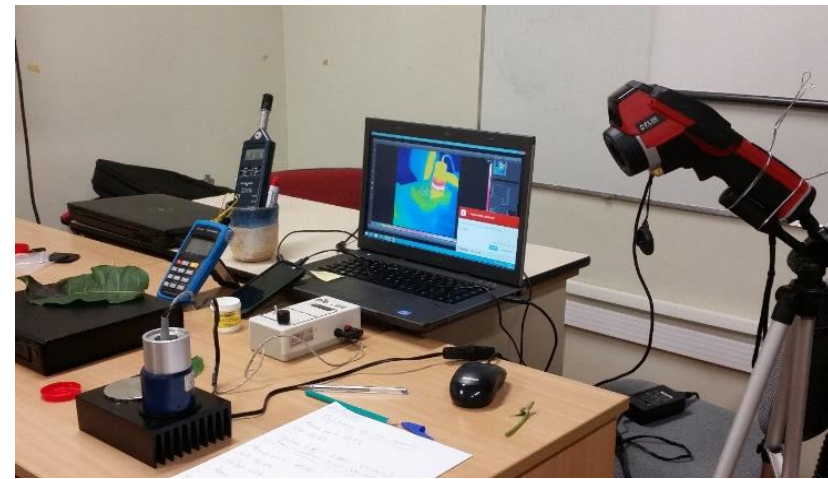


LEGENDA
 Imagem Termal Landsat 7
 Imagem com correção
 Data: 10 de Abril de 2016
 Parque Trianon
 Área de medição em solo
 Gradiente de temperaturas



Emissivity of the leaves

No.	Folha	Valor de emitância	Características
1		0,722 2 folhas sobrepostas e dobradas ao meio = 4 camadas	Folhas grandes com aspectos próximos a folha no. 8, porém, mais espessa.
2		0,720 Sobreposição de várias folhas	Folhas finas, rugosas e 'aveludadas'.
3		0,844 2 folhas sobrepostas e dobradas ao meio = 4 camadas	Aspecto liso (como a folha 5), porém, não muito resistente e nem tão espesso.
4		0,761 2 folhas sobrepostas e dobradas ao meio = 4 camadas	Folhas de tamanho médio, leve rugosidade e lisa (como a folha 3).
5		0,813 2 folhas sobrepostas e dobradas ao meio = 4 camadas	A folha no. 4 é a mais espessa e firme dentre todas as analisadas. Além disso, é lisa e com aspecto 'encerado'.
6		0,757 As folhas foram destacadas e sobrepostas até cobrirem a área do cabeçote	Folhas pequenas, com características parecidas a da folha 5 (no entanto, menos espessas e firmes).
7		0,783 As folhas foram destacadas e sobrepostas até cobrirem a área do cabeçote	Aspectos semelhantes a da folha no. 4, contudo, suas folhas são menores.
8		0,777 As folhas foram destacadas e sobrepostas	Folhas pequenas (com aspectos parecidos a folha 3), no entanto, são mais finas.



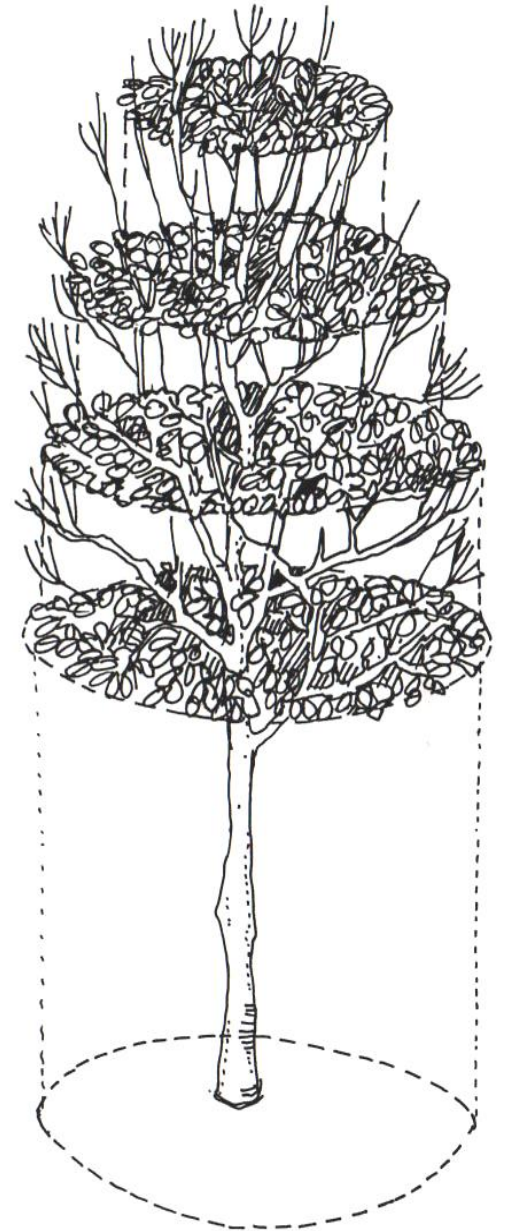
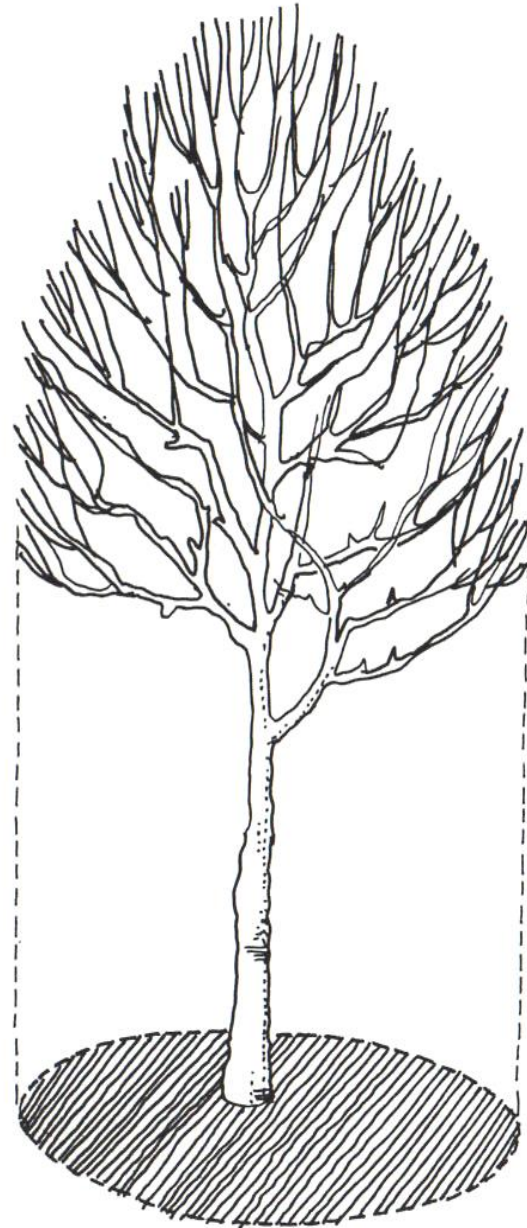
Albedo of the leaves

- High albedo decreases the amount of solar radiation absorbed by any material, keeping the surface temperatures lower. The reduction of surface temperatures decrease the longwave emission to the atmosphere
- A new asphalt has an albedo between 0.05-0.10; the albedo of a grey cement is about 0.05-0.10; while a white cement is around 0.70-0.80
- The albedo of the leaves vary between 0.25 e 0.30



Leaf Area Index - LAI

LAI measures the amount of leaf material (photosynthetic tissue) in an ecosystem, which imposes important controls on photosynthesis, respiration, rain interception, and other processes that link vegetation to climate.

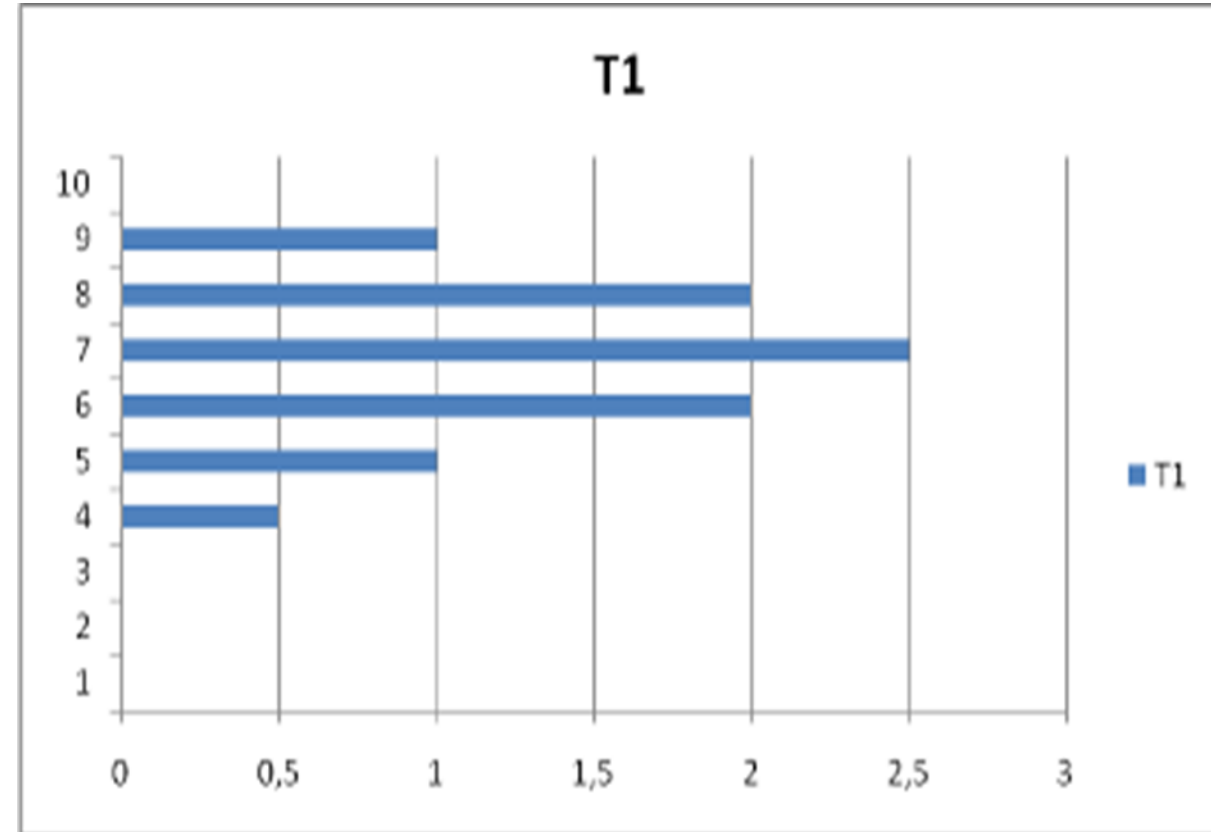


Leaf Area Index - LAI

- LAI is defined as half the total intercepting (non-projected) area per unit ground surface area (Chen and Black, 1992).
- LAI is a dimensionless number and a key parameter to determine a series of ecological and physiological processes, such as photosynthesis and evapotranspiration
- A complete definition of a tree structure includes also:
 - leaf area density (LAD)
 - clumping index
 - tree height
 - shape

Leaf Area Density - LAD

- LAD is a parameter defined as the total one-sided leaf area (m^2) per unit layer volume (m^3) in each horizontal layer of the tree crown.
- Determined by the vertical distribution of the leaves in horizontal layers (spatial distribution);
- The spatial distribution of LAD is an important parameter in describing tree characteristics, which influences on its radiation balance and the mass and energy exchange with the atmosphere (Lalic and Mihailovic, 2004).



Methods to estimate LAI

LAI can be estimated using direct methods (destructive sampling or litter traps), whereas indirect method calculates LAI using measurements of canopy transmittance (Breda, 2003).

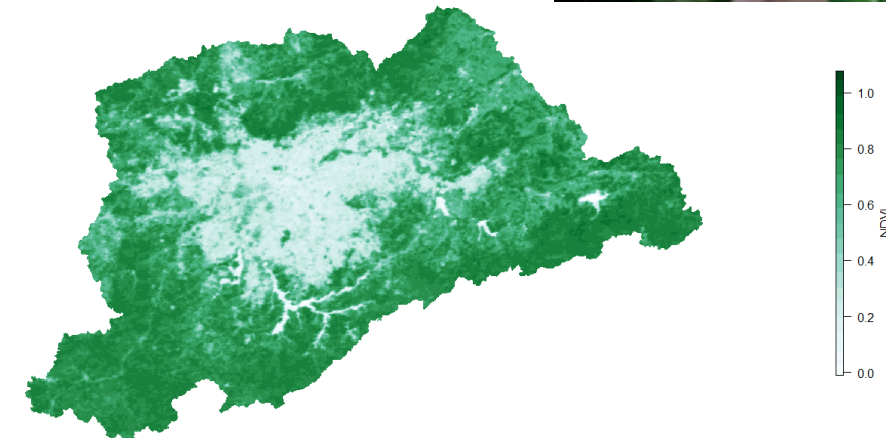
Direct methods: they are the most accurate, but have the disadvantage of being extremely time-consuming and as a consequence making large-scale implementation only marginally feasible. LAI can be assessed directly by using harvesting methods such as destructive sampling and the model tree method or by non-harvesting litter traps during autumn leaf-fall period in deciduous forests.

Indirect methods, in which LAI is derived from more easily (in terms of time, workload, technology) measurable parameters.



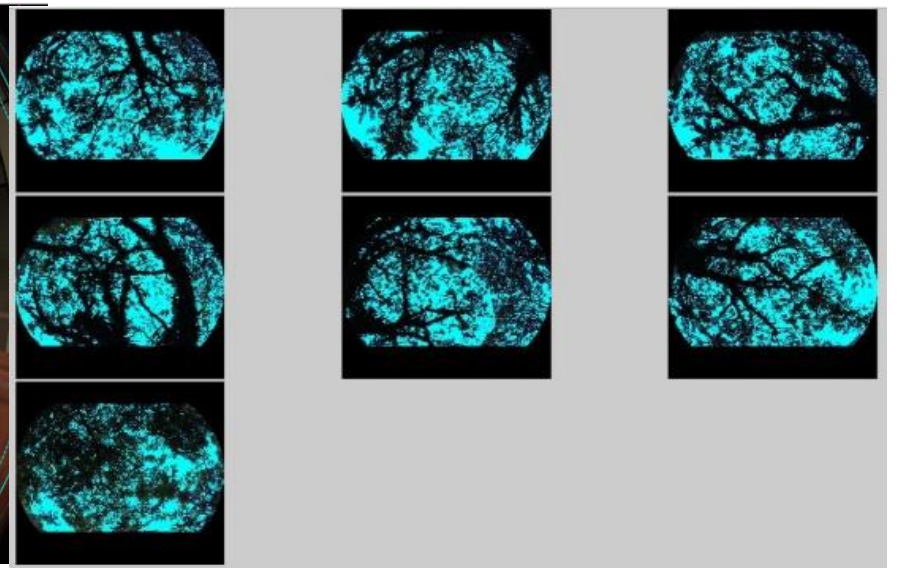
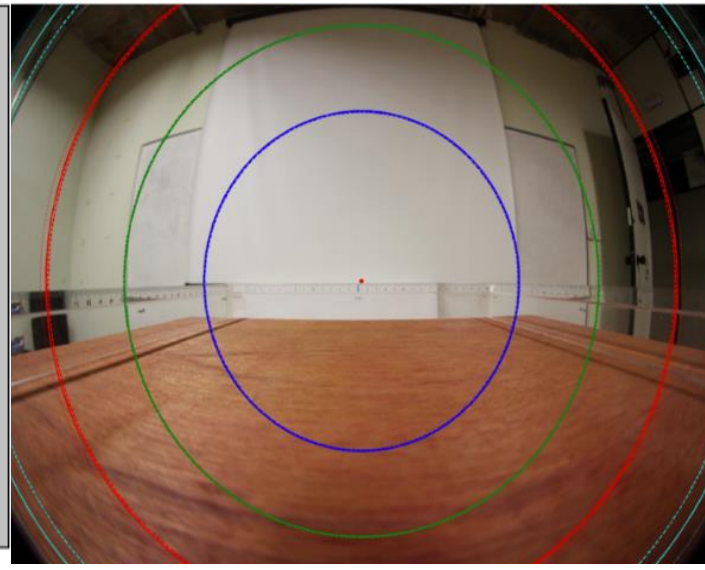
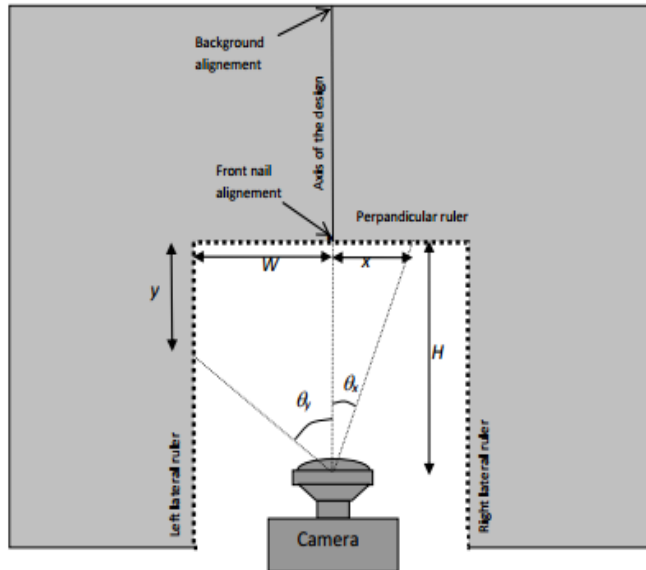
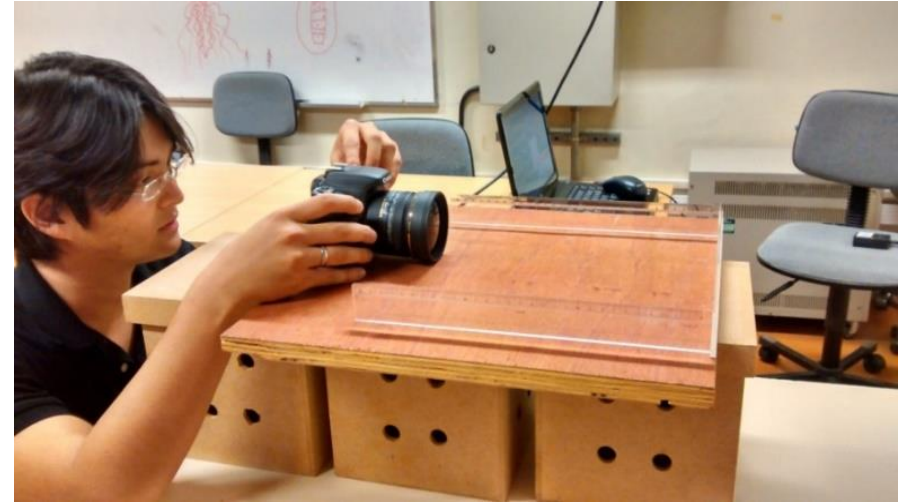
Indirect methods to estimate LAI

- Calculation regarding the radiation extinction through the canopy, as a function of the geometric distribution of the gaps (Gap Fraction Distribution).
 - Hemispheric photos, under cloudy sky, to estimate the visible sky fraction in different angles
 - Canopy analyser
 - Sunfleck area estimated by a ceptometer. Sunflecks are the bright areas under the canopy where direct beam solar radiation penetrates without attenuation by the canopy.
- Remote sensing: $NDVI = \frac{NIR - Red}{NIR + Red}$ = normalized difference vegetation index (ratio between spectral surface reflectance to red and near infrared), can be used as a measure of vegetation cover or to estimate LAI



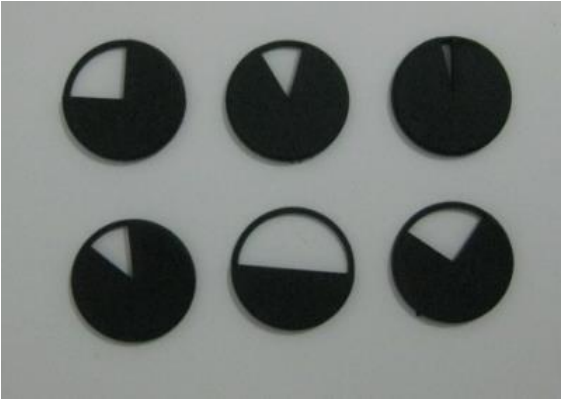
LAI estimation

hemispheric photos / Can-Eye software calibration



LAI estimation

LAI 2200 Plant Canopy Analyser



LAI estimation

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PONTO 2

Parque Trianon
Pontos de medição de IAF

22 DEZ 2017
10h31min
Nublado - chuva fraca

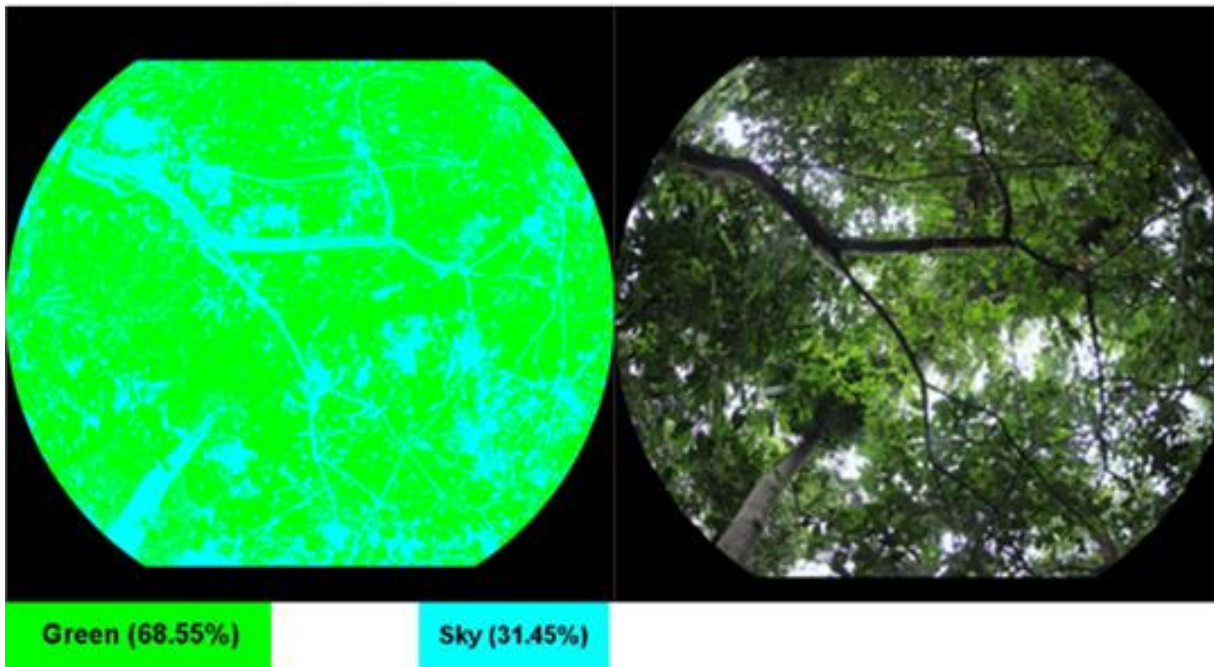
ÍNDICE DE ÁREA FOLIAR

LAI2200c **5,85**
 SEL:0.01 ACF:1
 MITA:35 SEM:5
 DIFN:0.01 SMP:5

CAN-EYE **1.09**

	Eff. PAI	True PAI
CE V4.1	1.09	1.69
CE V5.1	1.24	1.80
P57	1.08	1.69
Miller	1.30	1.59
LAI2000 Sr	1.24	

Google Earth



Parque Trianon
Pontos de medição de IAF

LAI2200: 5.20

LAI2200: 5.76

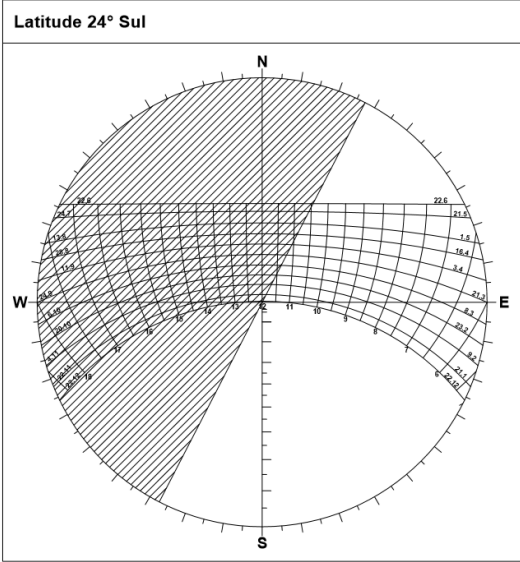
LAI2200: 5.48
CAN-EYE: 1.025

	Eff. PAI	True PAI
CE V6.1	1,27	1,77
CE V5.1	1,30	1,51
P57	1,27	1,77
Miller	1,28	1,33
LAI2000, 3 rings	1,75	
LAI2000, 4 rings	1,51	
LAI2000, 5 rings	1,29	

	Eff. PAI	True PAI
CE V6.1	0,78	1,21
CE V5.1	0,95	1,17
P57	0,78	1,21
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LAI2000, 3 rings	1,26	
LAI2000, 4 rings	1,04	
LAI2000, 5 rings	0,87	

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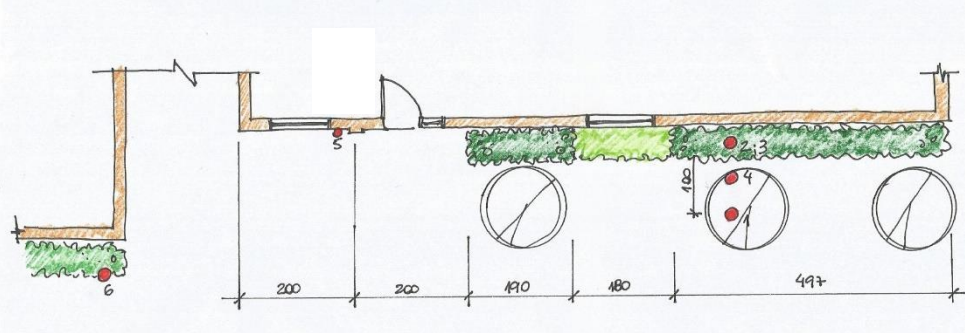
Green Façade



Orientação solar da fachada estudada



Vista da fachada estudada



Localização dos pontos de medição.

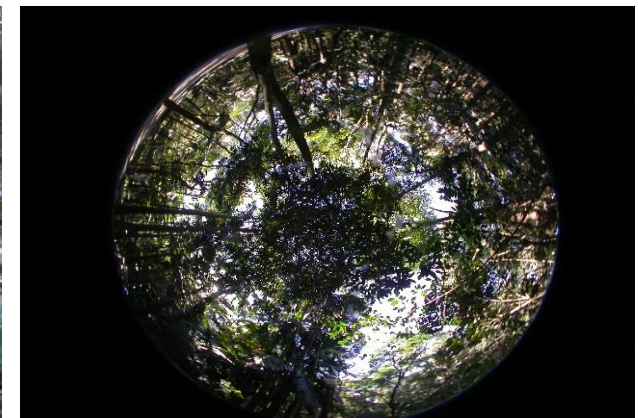
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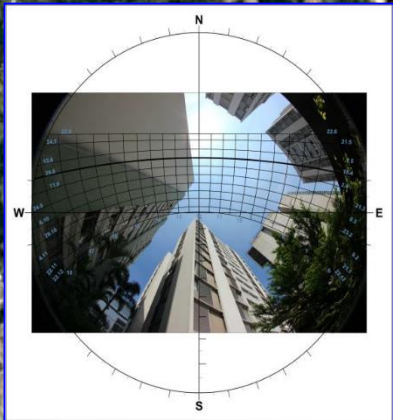
External surface temperature drops, but the effects of green façades in mean radiant temperature on the urban environment are very local, besides increments in LAD.



For now, no research, just tell me your feelings....

Microclimate measurements – Trianon Park, São Paulo

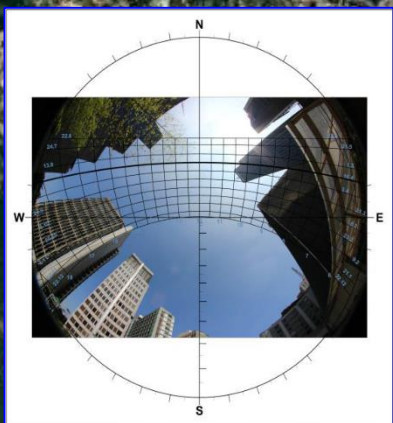




Estação do INMET (Mirante de Santana)



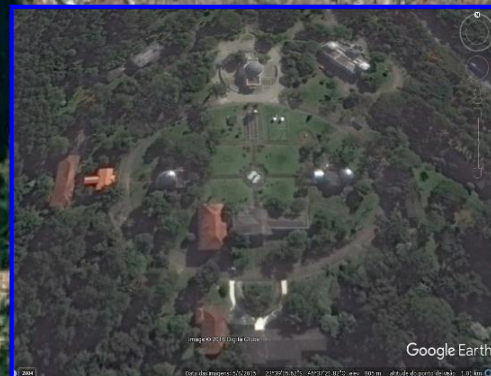
Estação (temporária) Bela Vista
Estação (temporária) Paulista



Estação Aeroporto de Congonhas (SBSP)



Estação IAG/USP



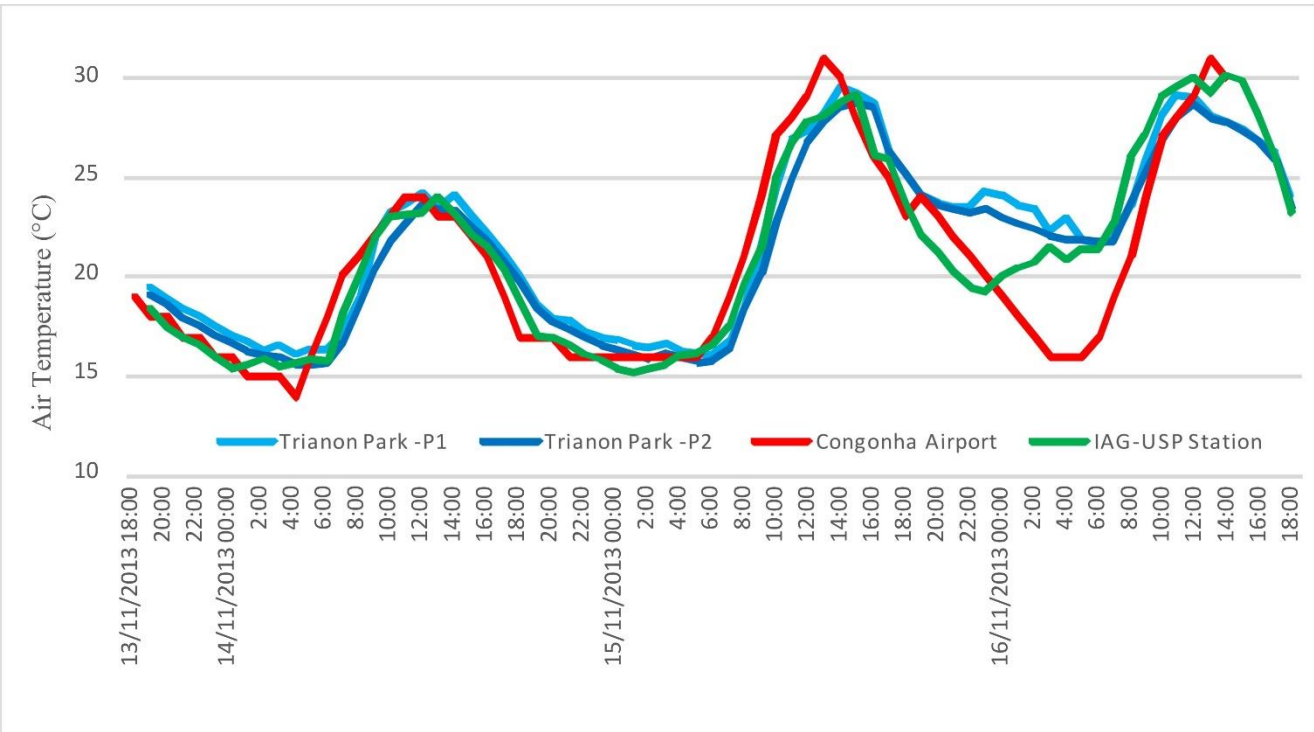
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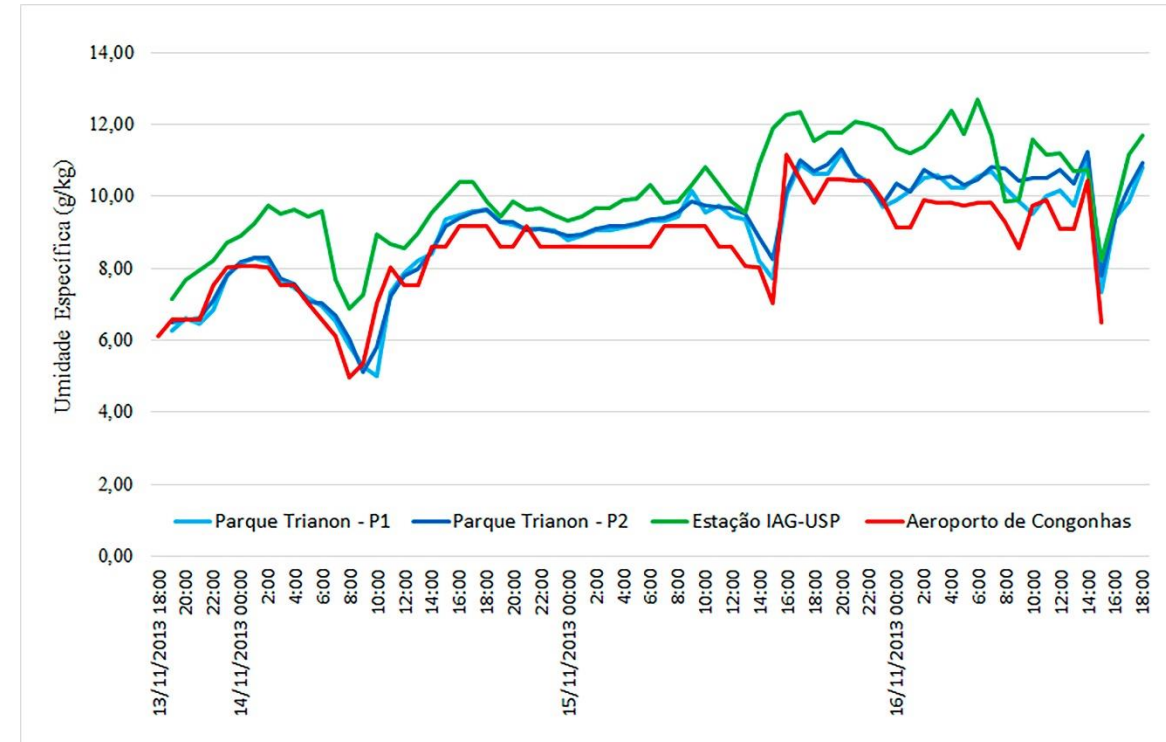
18.6 km

23°35'14.59"S 46°32'59.41"O elev 778 m altitude do ponto de visão 80.78 km

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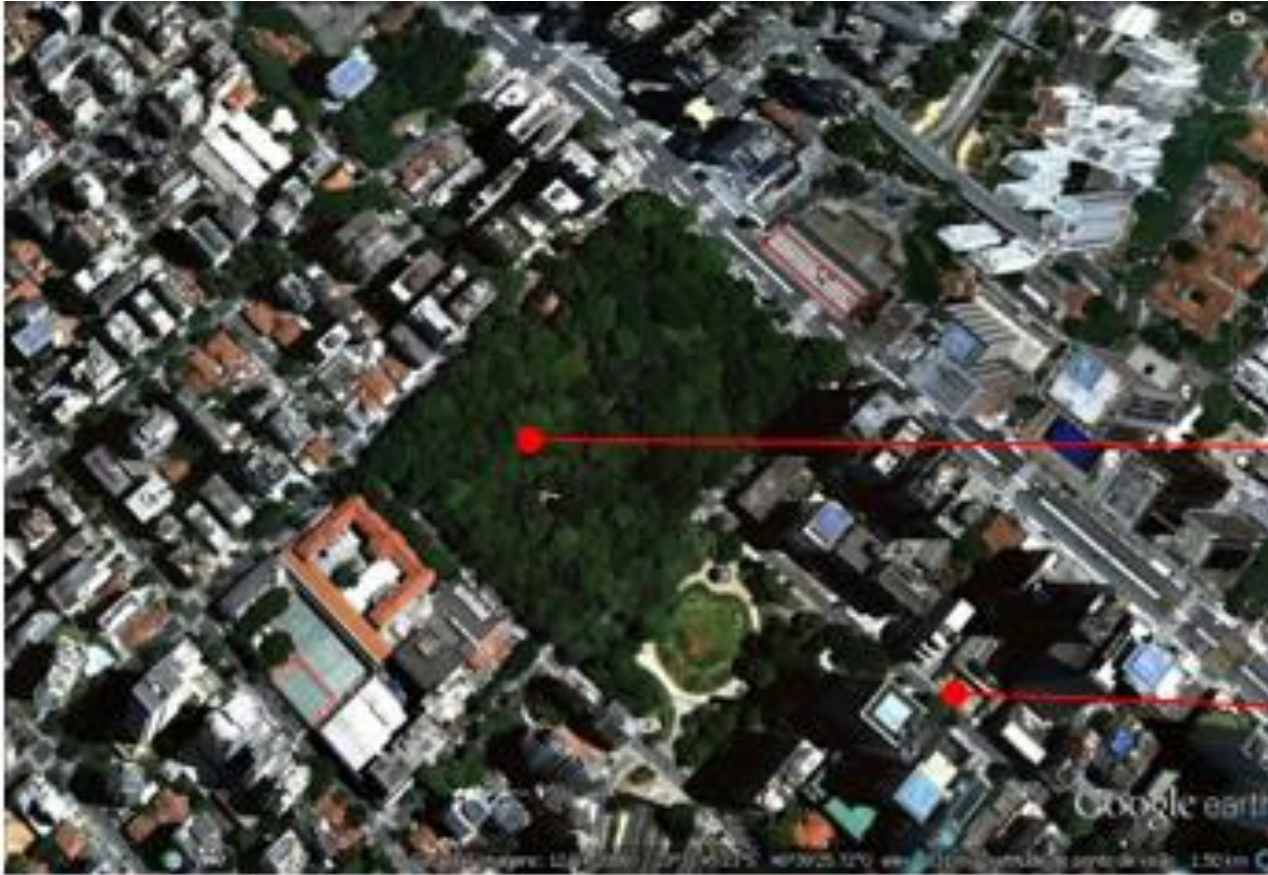


Air temperature at point 2 was slightly lower due to a denser tree canopy cover (LAI ~3 and natural soil conditions compared to LAI ~1,5 and next to a pervious paved pedestrian path at point 1). Congonhas Airport is in general warmer during the day and cooler at night due to the open sky site and impervious surroundings that allows a higher longwave radiation loss during nighttime. On the other hand, the park environments, especially Trianon, with the two meteorological stations placed under a dense tree cover is slightly warmer at night, as expected even for green a semi-confined space.



The specific humidity comparison shows the actual moisture content, contrasting the drier airport environment with the more humid park sites, mainly due to grass, natural soil and a dense tree canopy. In average, both points 1 and 2 inside Trianon Park were in-between IAG/USP Água Funda and Congonhas Airport humidity conditions

Microclimate measurements and simulation in an urban park and in a dense urban block



Location of two points for microclimate measurements – meteorological station at Trianon Park (Point 1) and another one at Paulista courtyard (Point 2).

Estação Paulista



Estação Bela Vista



Avenida Paulista

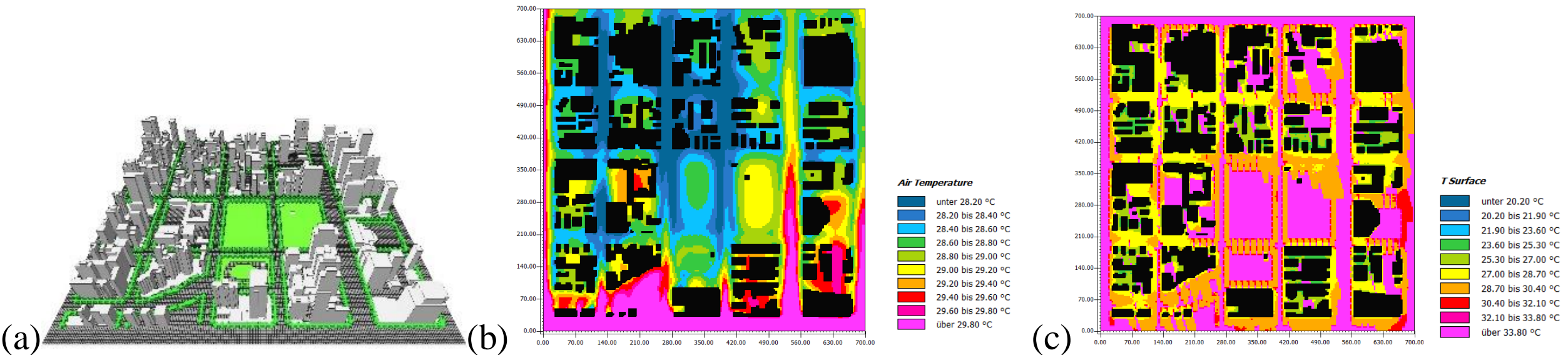
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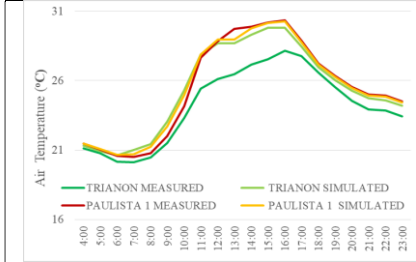
Microclimate measurements and simulation with ENVI-met Science for vegetation (Albero) and density studies.



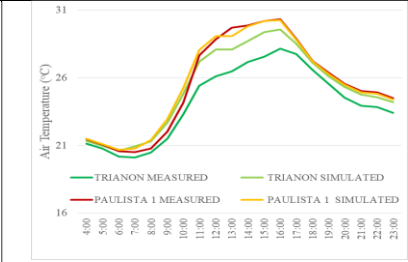
a) Dense street trees ; (b) air temperature at 14h; (c) surface temperature at 14h.

ENVI-met model – calibration process

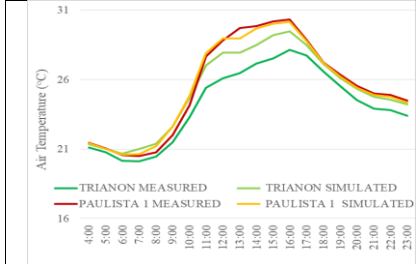
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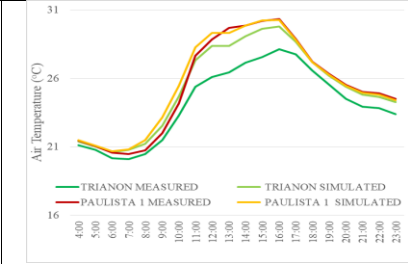
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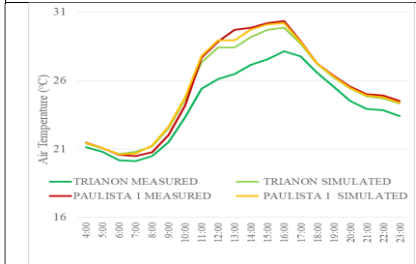
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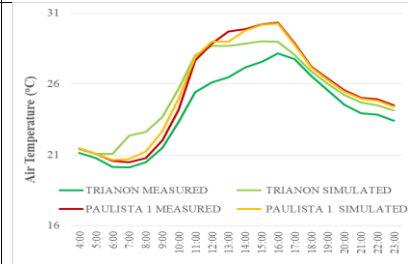
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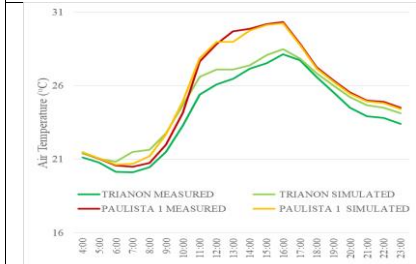
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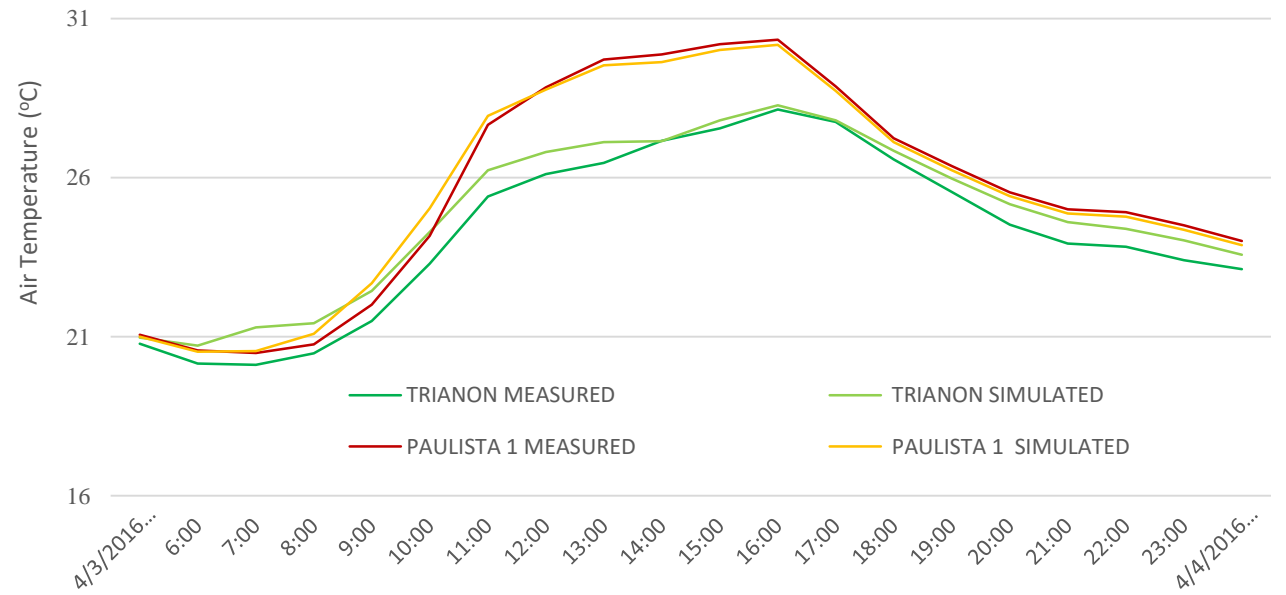
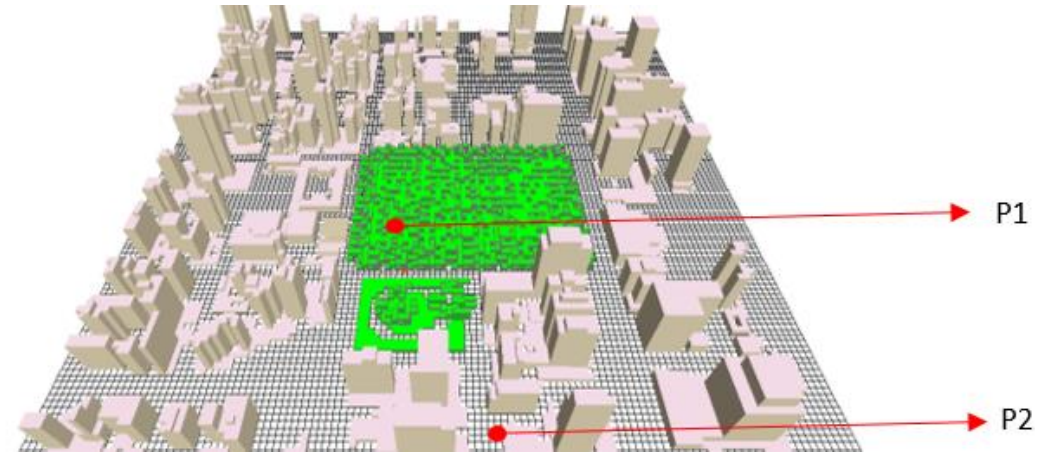
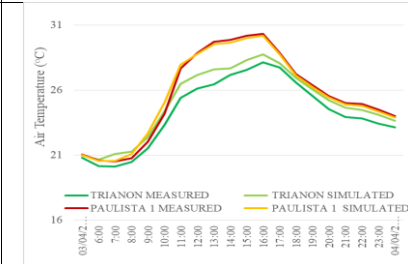
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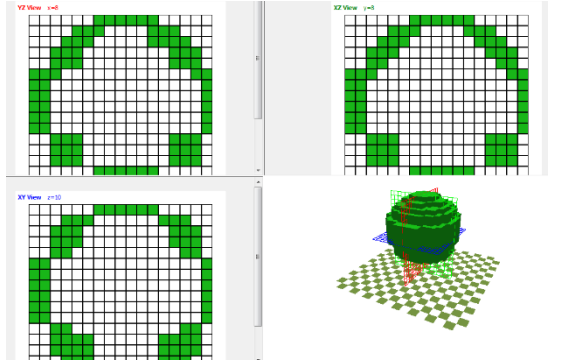
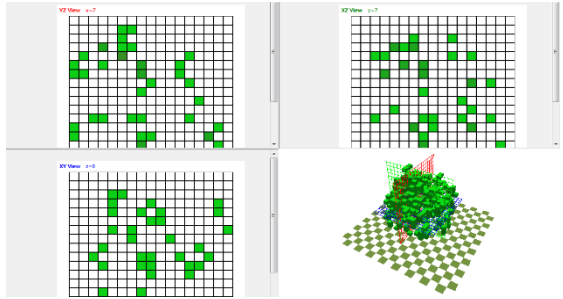
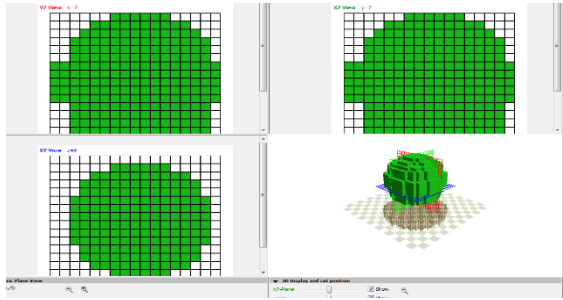
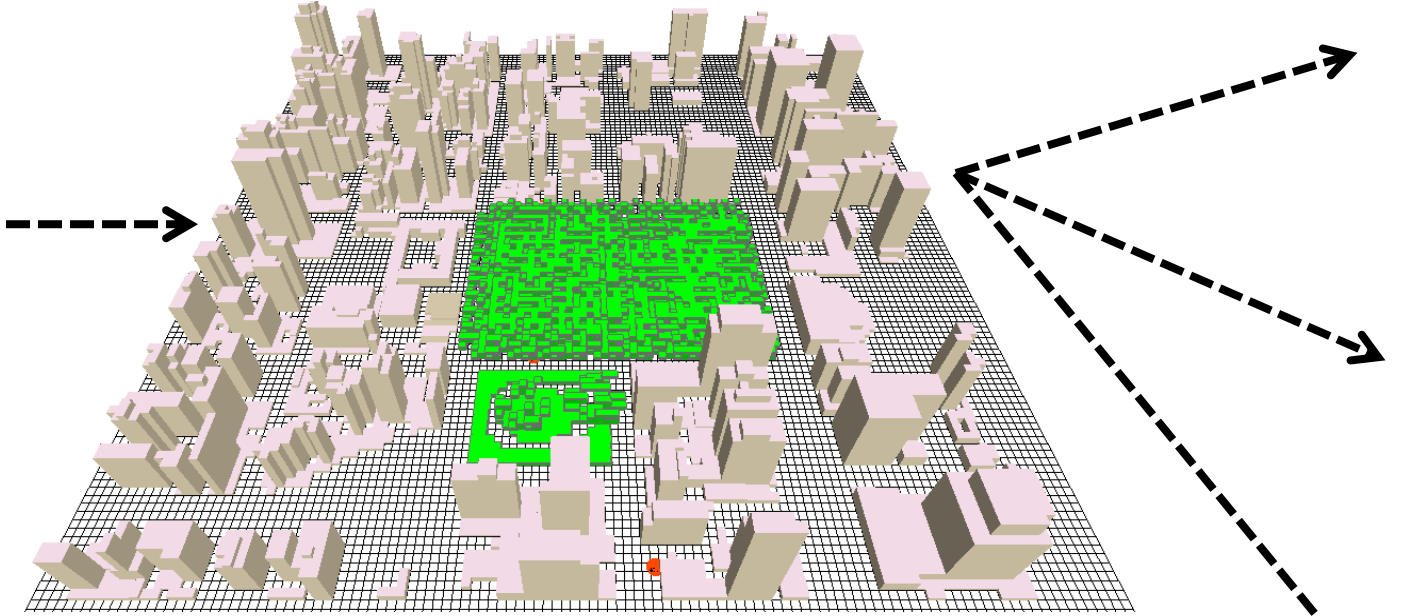
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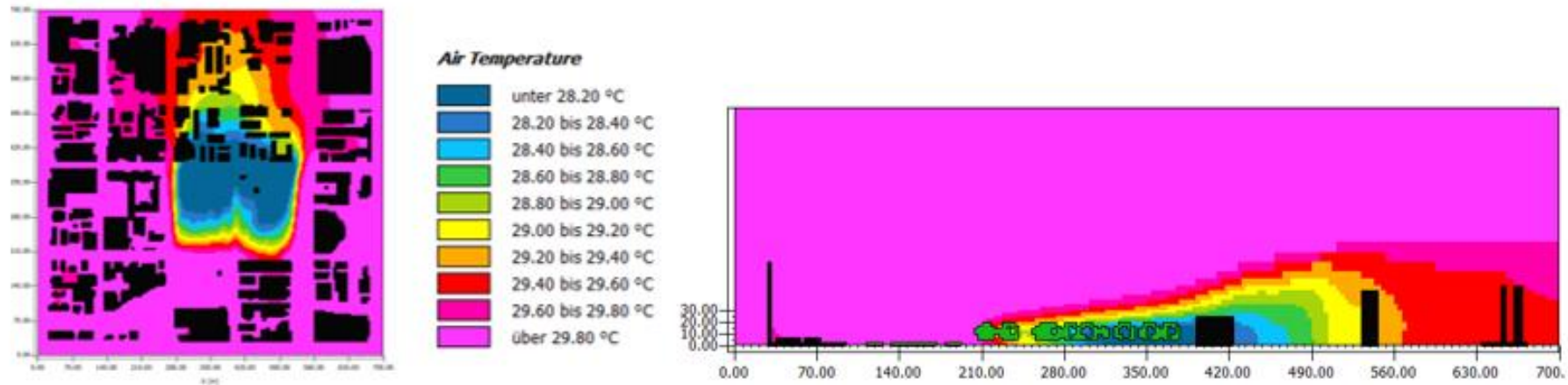
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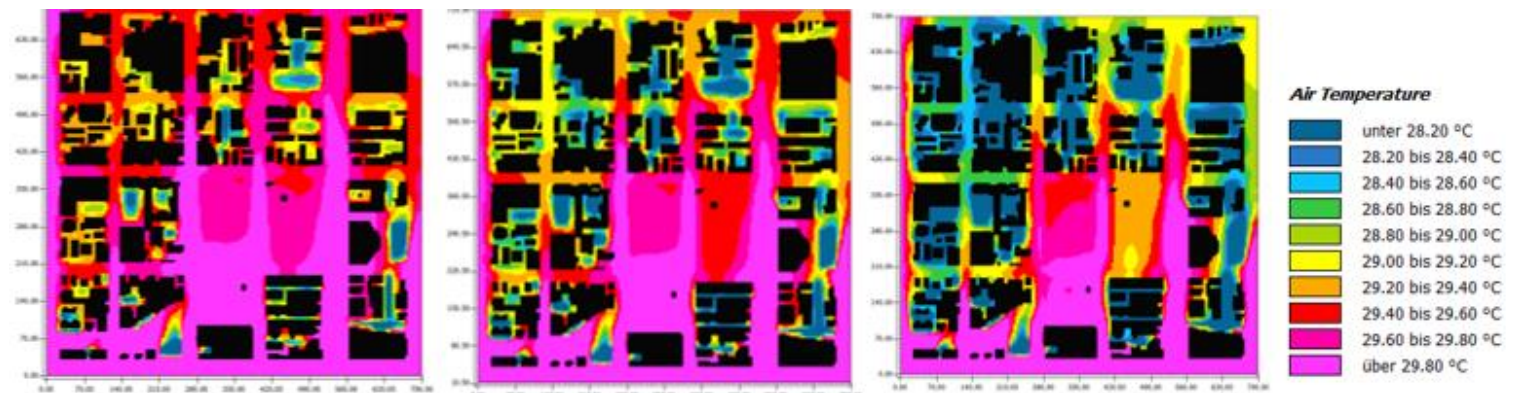
Simulation of the real scenario on ENVI-met



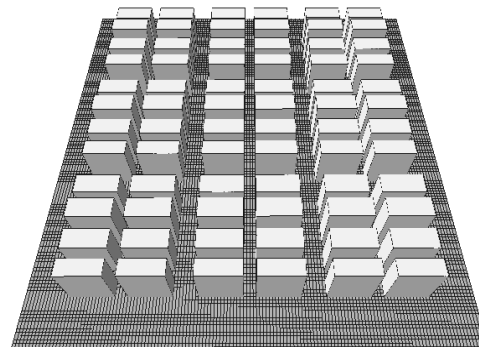
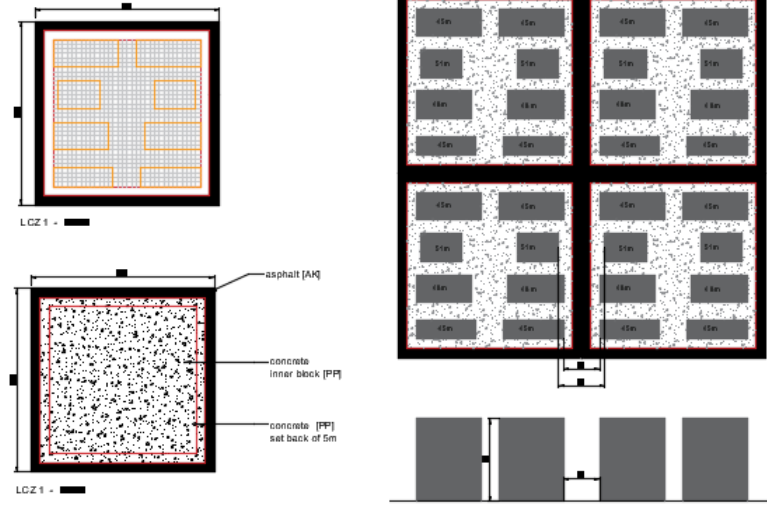
Microclimate effect of Trianon Park



Proposals to increase vegetation inside the urban blocks



Simulation of parametric scenarios



Grid 2.5m x 2.5m
Urban blocks: 100m x 100m
Street width: 5m
Frontal setback: 5m
Building heights: 45m (15 floors),
48m (16 floors), 51m (17 andares)

6% Vegetação

12% Vegetação

18% Vegetação

CENÁRIO 1

CENÁRIO 2

CENÁRIO 3

CENÁRIO 4

CENÁRIO 5

CENÁRIO 6

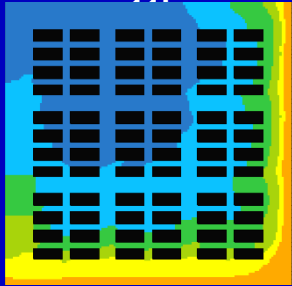
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CENÁRIO 8

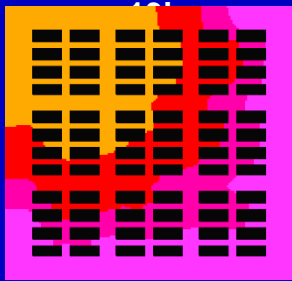
CENÁRIO 9

Results for air temperature

Caso Base –



Caso Base –

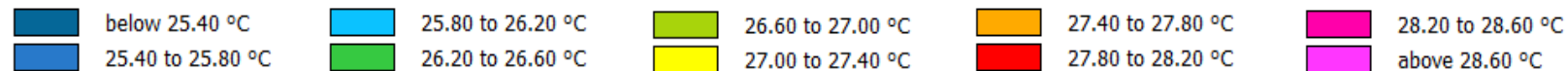
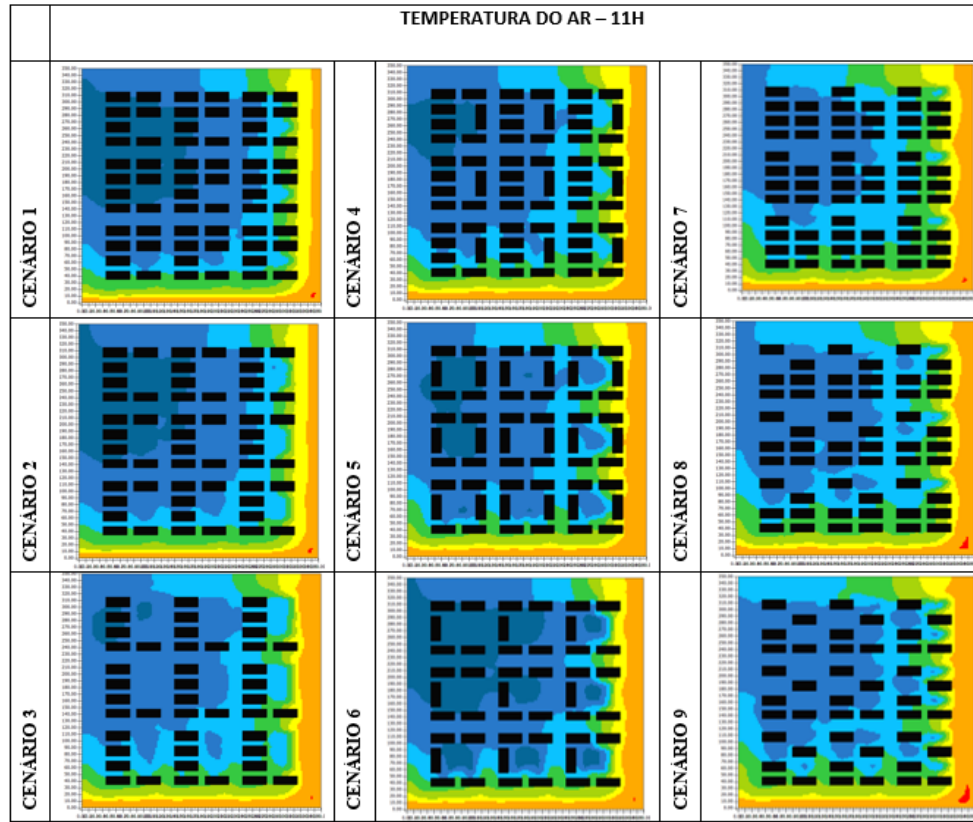


Na quadra central :

Às 11h - Temp ar aprox. de 25.8 °C

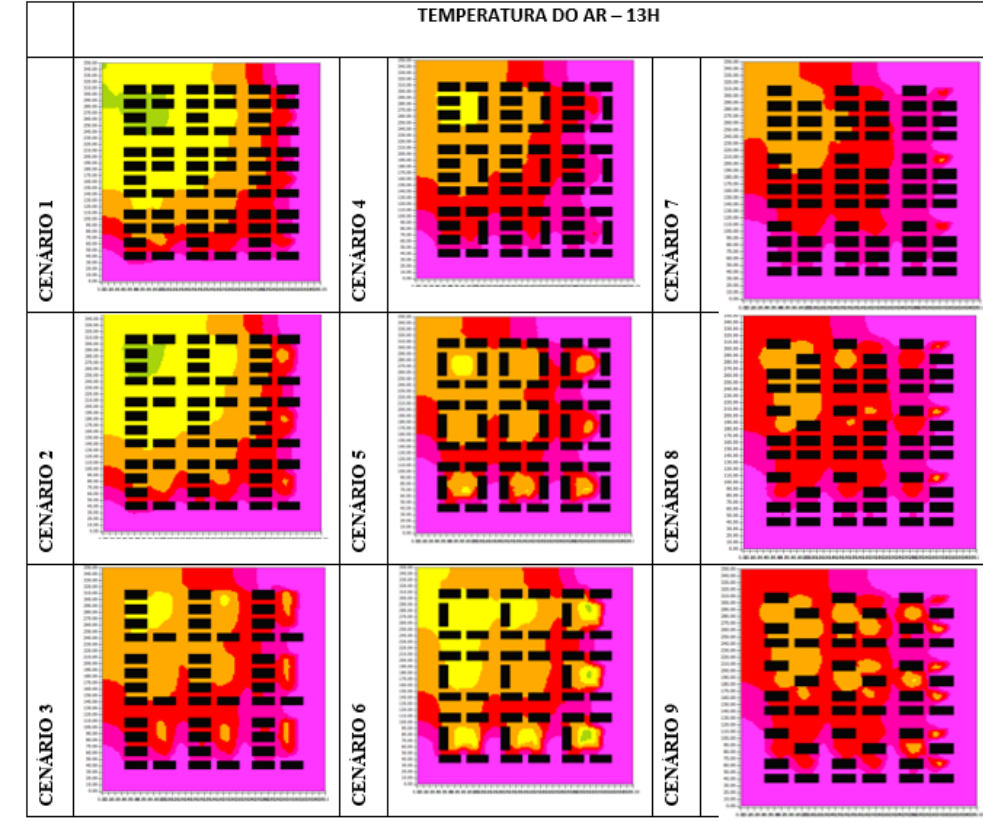
Às 13h -Temp ar aprox. de 28°C

Influência da ventilação e sombreamento pelos edifícios



Na quadra central às 11h:

- Temp. ar abaixo das copas variou entre 25°C a 25.5°C
- Efeito da ventilação (direção a 135°) contribuiu no transporte
- Cenários 5 e 6 indicaram uma melhor distribuição do efeito da vegetação

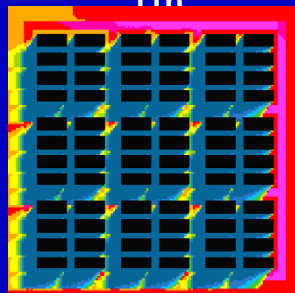


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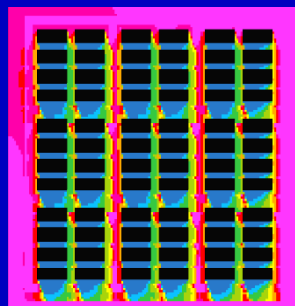
- Temp. ar abaixo das copas variou entre 27°C a 27.8°C
- Diferença de até 2°C em relação as vias asfaltadas
- Cenário 6 apresentou o distribuição mais homogênea do efeito da vegetação

Results for surface temperature

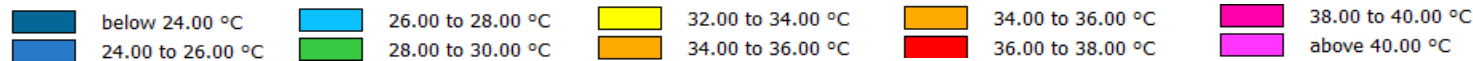
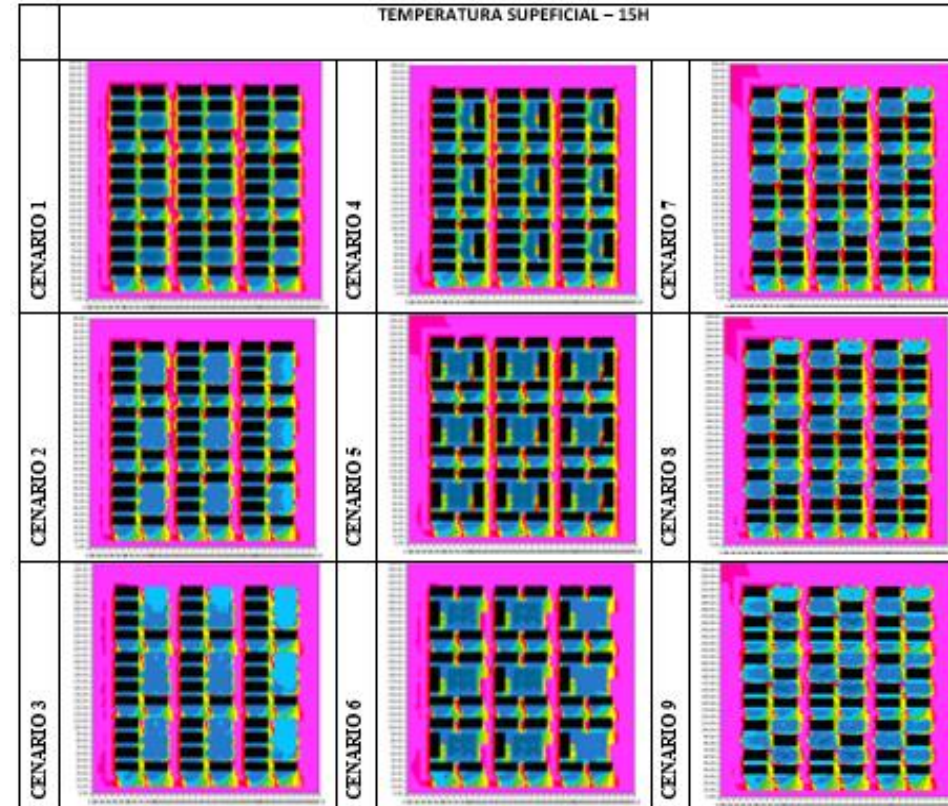
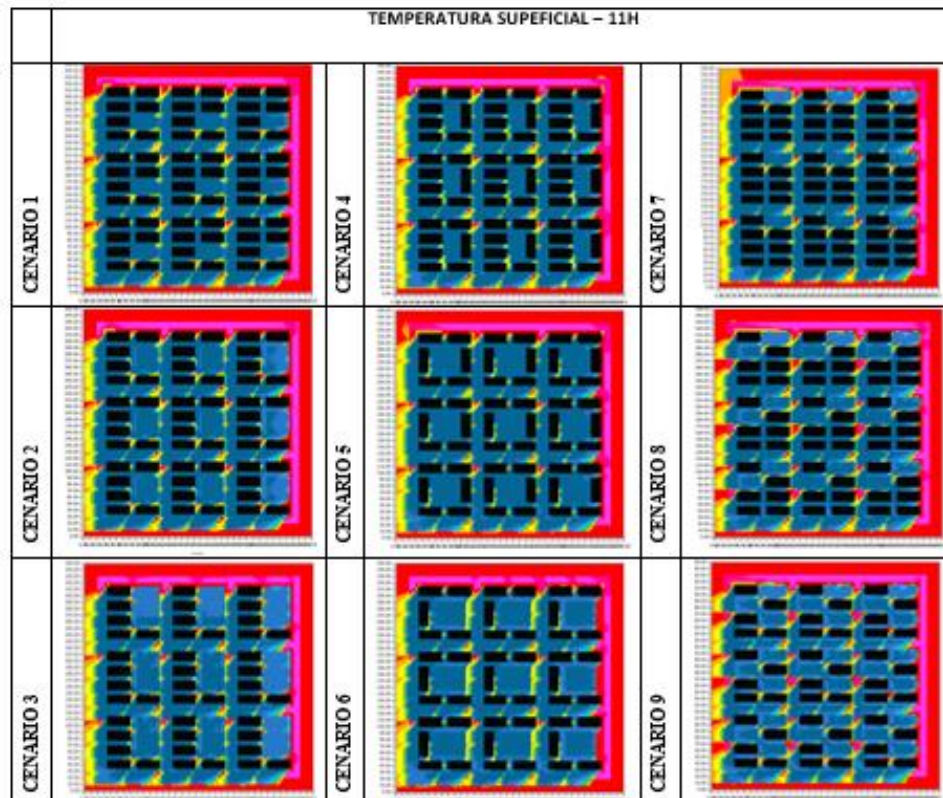
Caso Base –
11h



Caso Base –



Na quadra central :
Às 11h - Temp ar aprox. de 25.8 °C
Às 13h - Temp ar aprox. de 28°C
Influência do sombreamento pelos edifícios



Na quadra central às 11h:

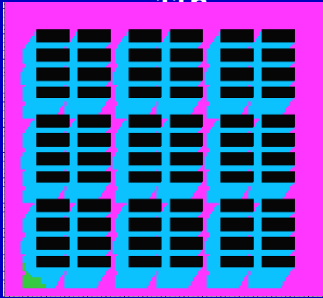
- Temp. ar abaixo das copas variou entre 22°C a 24°C
- Influência significativa da sombras dos edifícios.

Na quadra central às 13h:

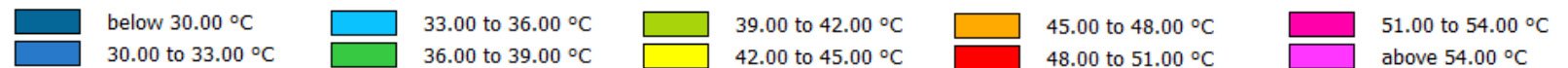
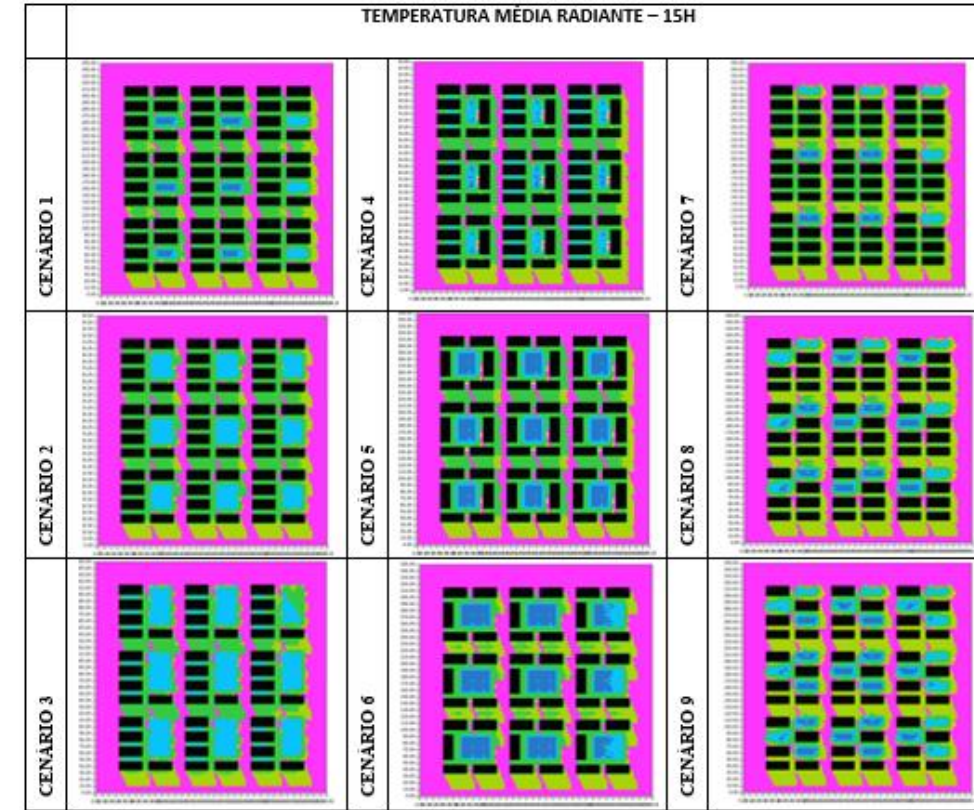
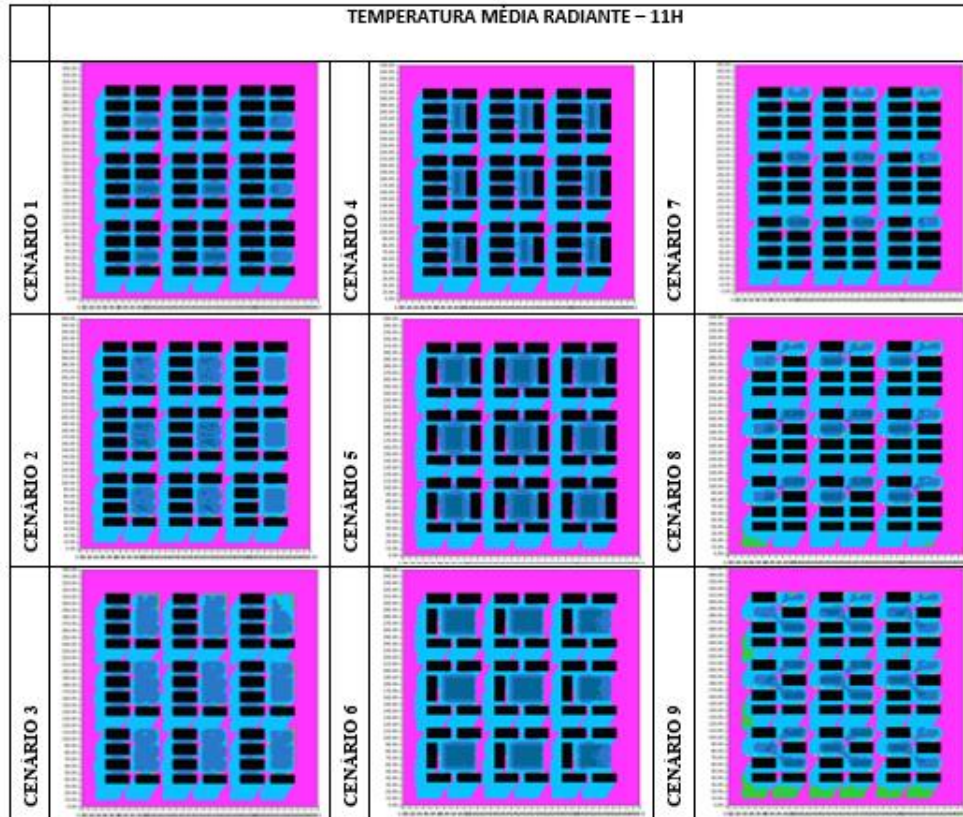
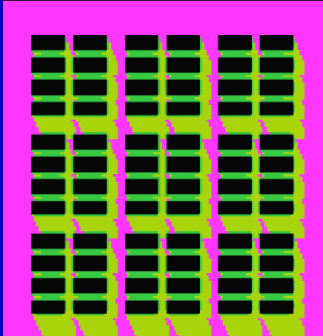
- Temp. ar abaixo das copas variou entre 24°C a 28°C
- Diferença de até 21°C em relação as vias asfaltadas

Results for mean radiant temperature

Caso Base –
11h



Caso Base –
13h



Na quadra central :
Às 11h - TRM aprox. de 25.8 °C
Às 13h - TRM aprox. de 28°C
Influência da ventilação e sombreamento pelos edifícios

Na quadra central às 11h:

- TRM abaixo das copas variou entre 28°C a 33°C
- Efeito da vegetação apresentou temperaturas menores do que em áreas influenciadas pelo sombreamento

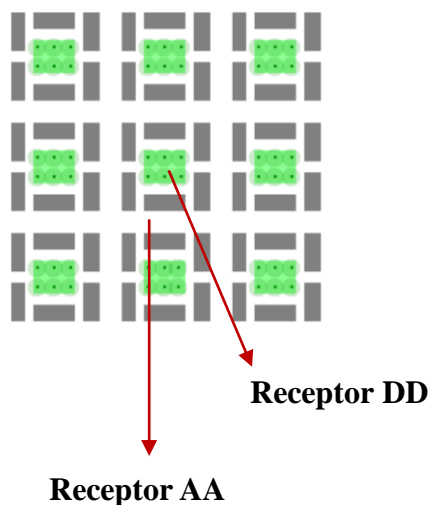
Na quadra central às 13h:

- TRM abaixo das copas variou entre 30°C a 34°C
- Diferença de até 28°C na TRM em relação as vias asfaltadas

Temperature of Equivalent Perception - TEP

(Monteiro; Alucci, 2011)

$$TEP = -3,777 + 0,4828 \cdot Ta + 0,5172 \cdot Tmrt + 0,0802 \cdot Rh - 2,322 \cdot v \quad (^\circ\text{C})$$



	TEP - vegetação*	TEP - via asfaltada**
cenário 1	30,2	32,8
cenário 2	30,6	32,5
cenário 3	30,9	31,3
cenário 4	30,5	32,4
cenário 5	29,7	32,4
cenário 6	29,8	32,1
cenário 7	30,1	33,2
cenário 8	30,1	32,7
cenário 9	30,2	32,8

Faixas Interpretativas para o índice TEP

TEP	Sensação
> 42,4	muito calor
34,9 ~ 42,4	calor
27,3 ~ 34,8	pouco calor
19,6 ~ 27,2	neutralidade
12,0 ~ 19,5	pouco frio
4,4 ~ 11,9	frio
< 4,4	muito frio

*Receptor DD posicionado abaixo da copa, na parte central da área verde

** Receptor AA localizado na via lateral da área verde, sobre o asfalto

Fonte: Monteiro, Alucci (2011)





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