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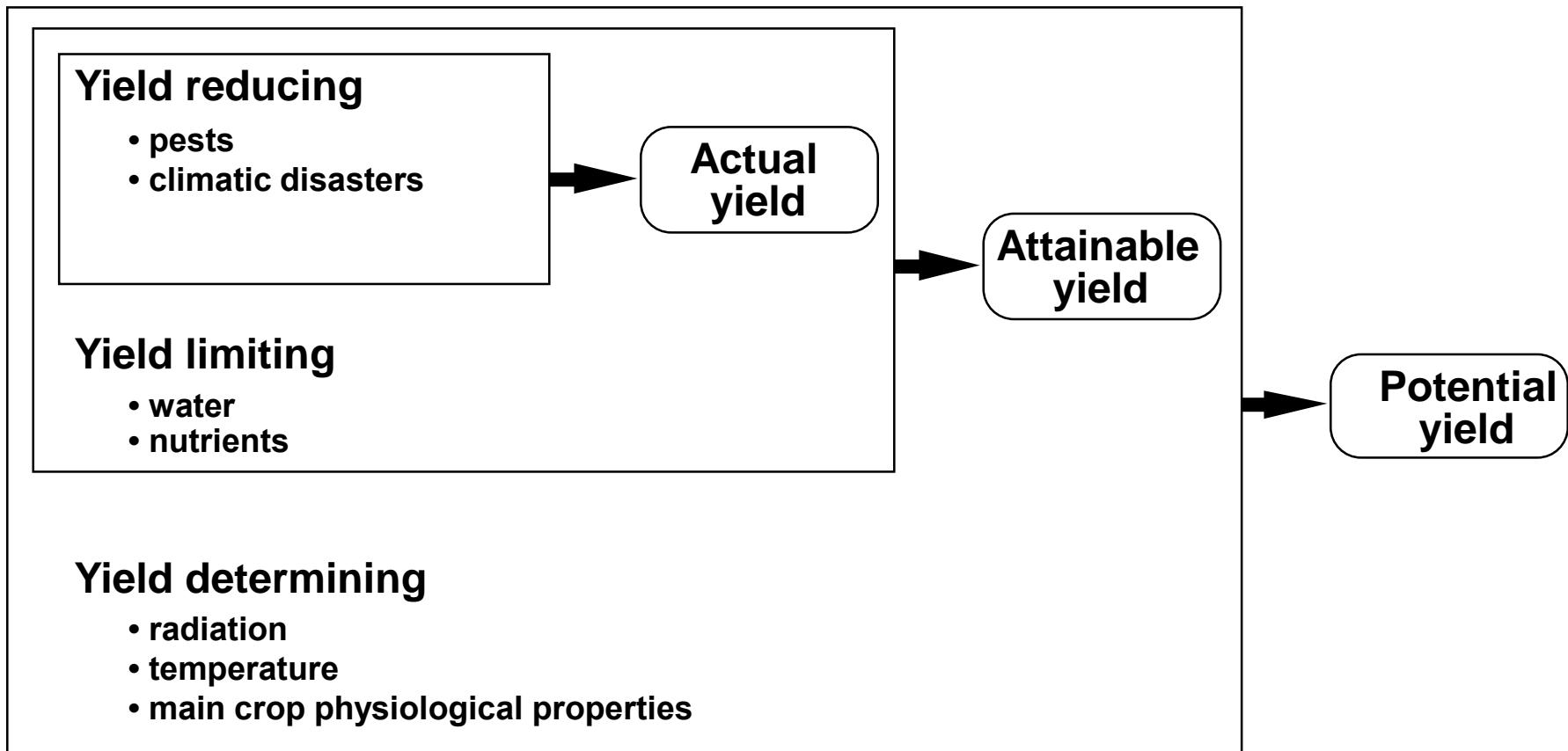
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# Pourquoi s'intéresser aux pertes de récolte ?



# Yield defining factors



Zadoks, J.C., Schein, R.D., 1979. Epidemiology and Plant Disease Management. Oxford University Press, New York.

Rabbinge, R., 1993. The ecological background of food production. In: Chadwick D.J., Marsh, J. (Eds.), Crop Protection and Sustainable Agriculture. John Wiley and Sons, Chichester, UK, pp 2-29.



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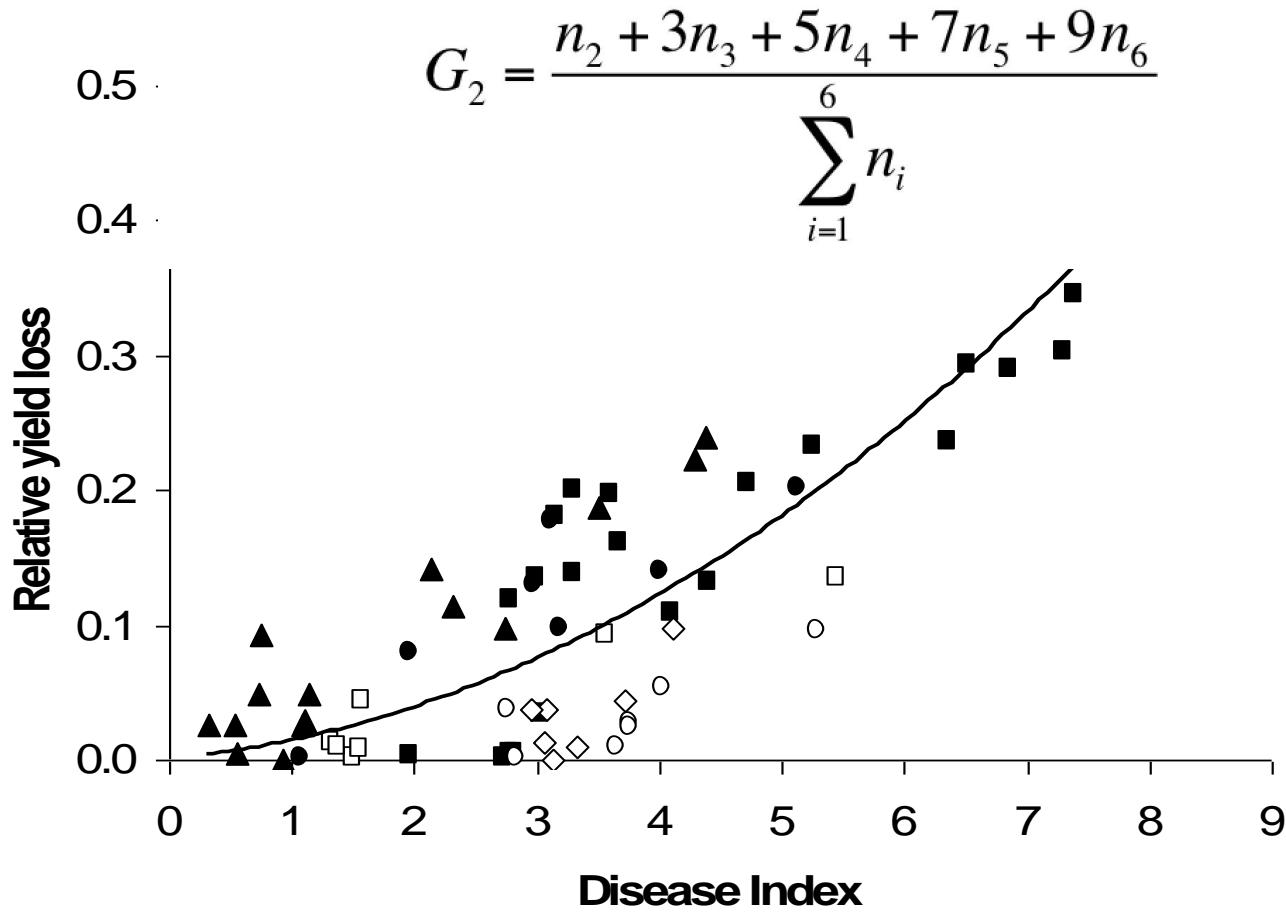
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0 %      0 à 25 %      25 à 50 %      50 à 75 %      75 à 100 %      100 %



Aubertot et al, 2004

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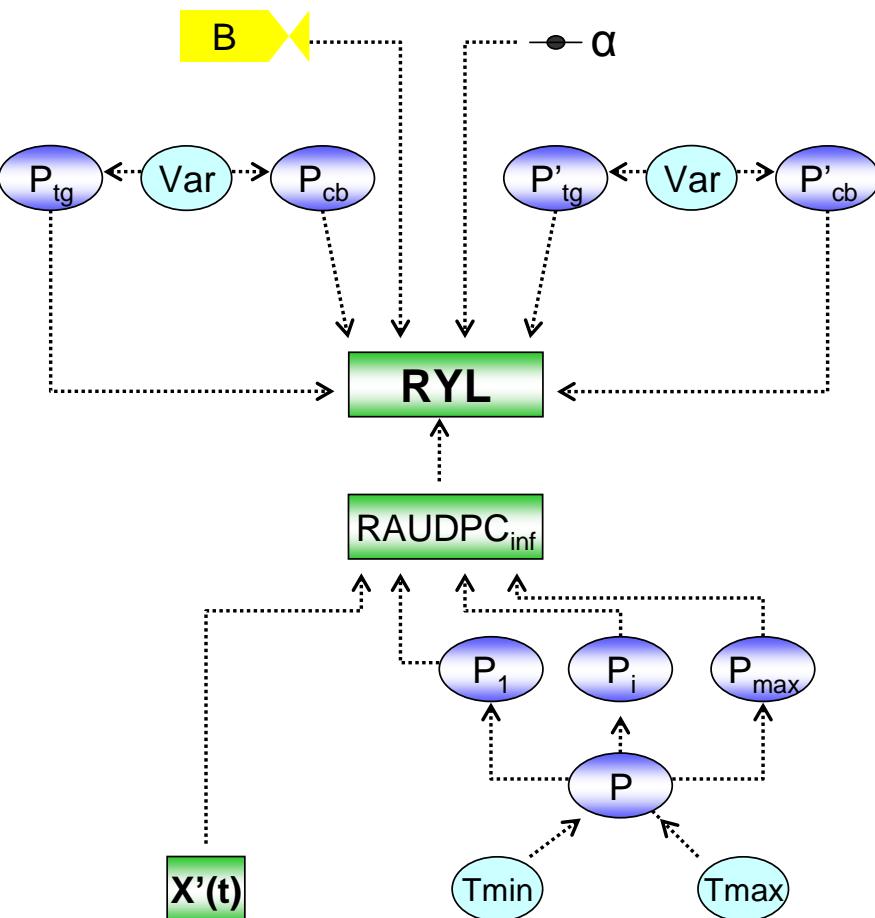


# Fonction de nuisibilité de *P. infestans* sur Pdt (Shtienberg et al., 1990)



$$RYL = 100 \left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha (RAUDPC_{\text{inf}} - RAUDPC_{\text{ref}})}{B} \right) \left( \frac{P'_{cb} - P'_{tg}}{P_{cb} - P_{tg}} \right) \right)$$

$$RAUDPC = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} \left( \frac{X_{i+1} + X_i}{2} \right) (P_{i+1} - P_i)}{P_{\max} - P_1}$$



B : taux de tubérisation

A : coefficient de réduction  
du taux de tubérisation

P : âge physiologique

X' (t) : destruction foliaire  
en pourcentage

RYL : perte relative de rendement

# Evaluation de la qualité prédictive de la fonction de nuisibilité de Shtienberg et al. (1990)

Efficiency = 0.80

RMSEP = 13.25 %

Bias = -0.36

□ : Arka

\* : Bintje

- : Désirée

Δ : Eden

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¤ : Inra 92T.120.16

+ : Naturella

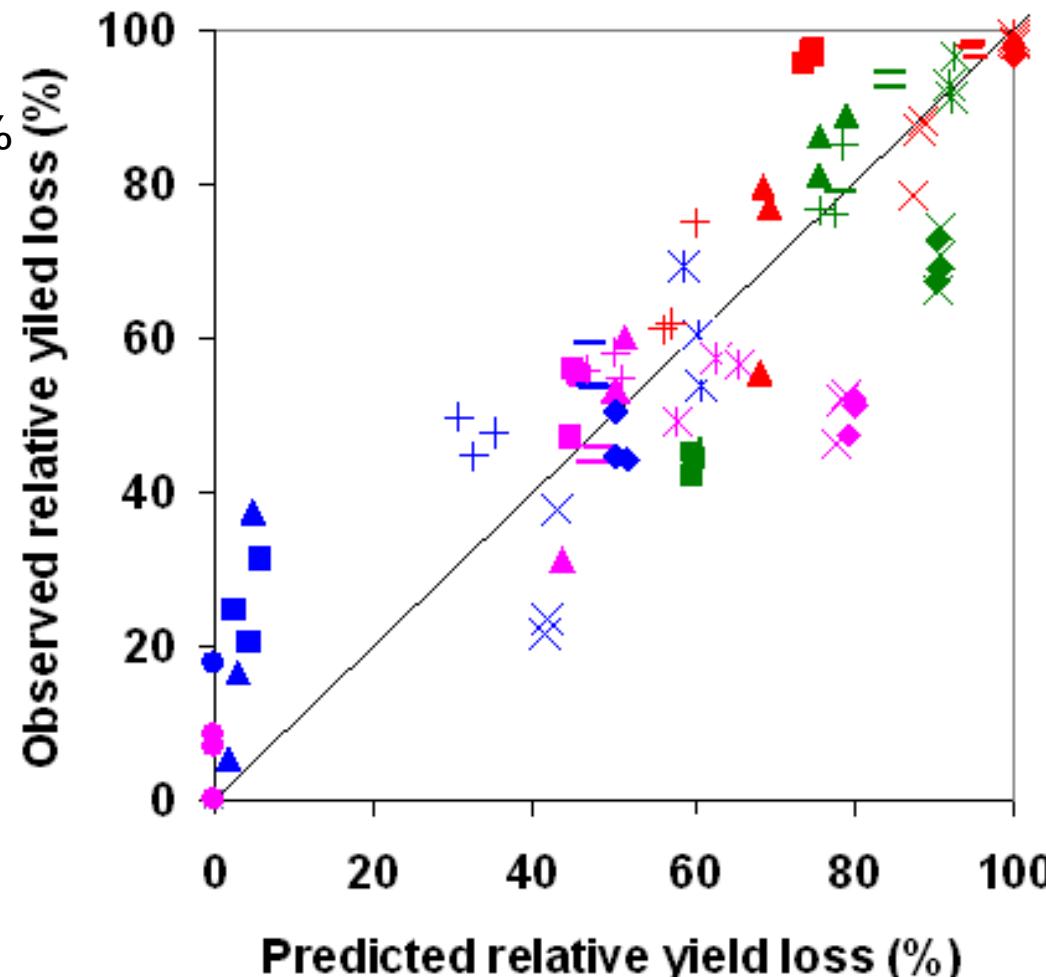
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Rakotonindraina et al, 2012



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# Damage mechanisms

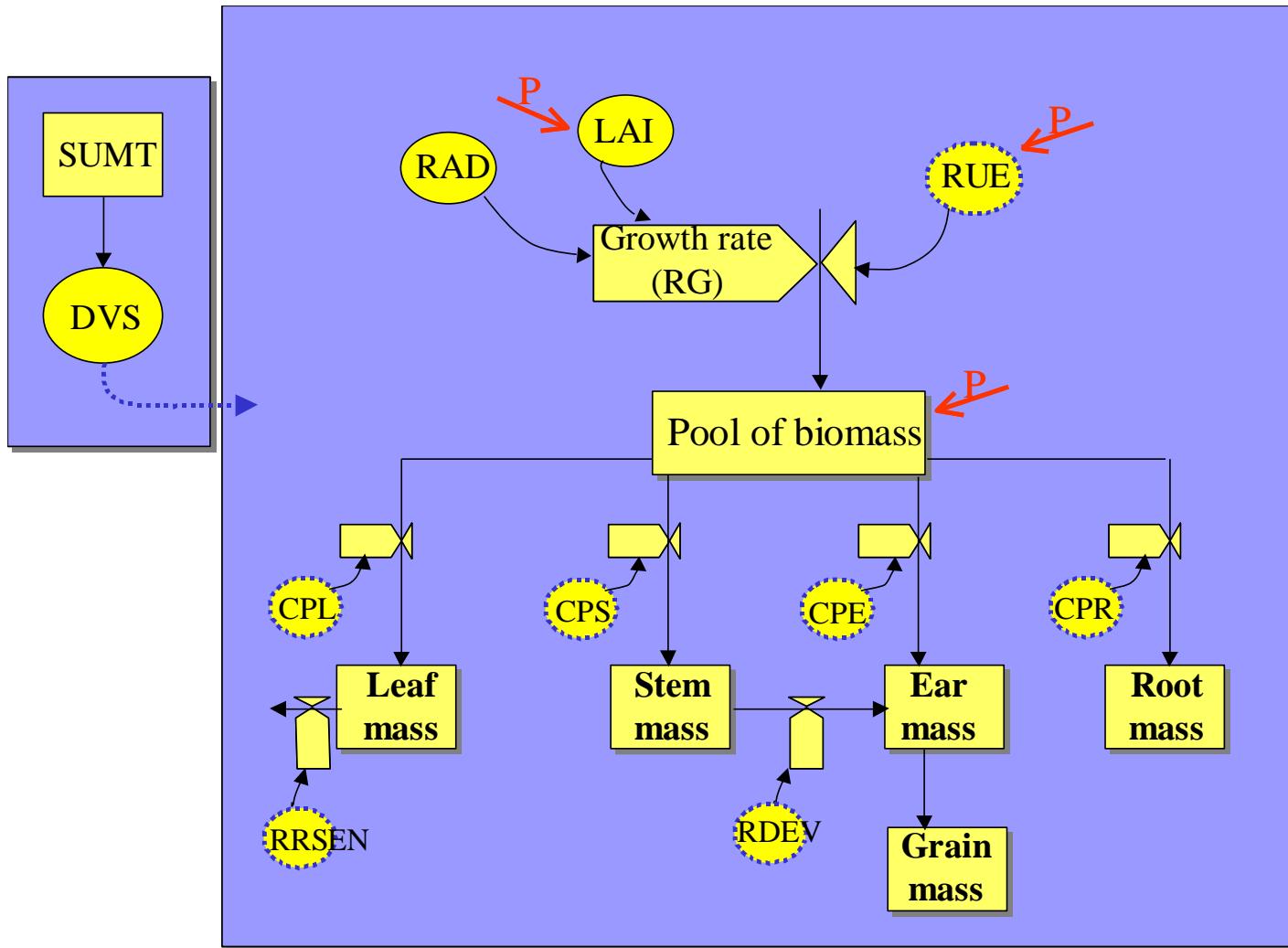
- Damage mechanism: physiological effect of injury on crop growth and yield. Can be incorporated in models to simulate yield losses.

Damage mechanism	Physiological process/variable affected	Examples
Assimilate sapper	Maintenance/pool of assimilates	Aphids, rusts, septoria blotch
Light stealer	Light interception/green LAI	Rusts, powdery mildew, septoria blotch
Assimilate rate reducer	Photosynthesis/RUE	Eyespot, sharp eyespot, fusarium stem rot, take-all, weeds, BYDV, aphids

Rabbinge, R., Vereijken, P.H., 1980. The effect of diseases or pests upon the host. Z. Pflkrankh. Pflschutz 87, 409-422.

Boote, K.J., Jones, J.W., Mishoe, J.W., Berger, R.D., 1983. Coupling pests to crop growth simulators to predict yield reductions. Phytopathology 73, 1581-1587.

# Simplified flow chart of WHEATPEST



Willocquet L, Aubertot JN, Lebard S, Robert C, Lannou C, Savary S. 2008.  
Simulating multiple pest damage in varying winter wheat production situations. Field  
Crops Research, 107 (1), p.12-28.

# Modelling Actual Yield

Disease	Injury localisation	Data input in the model
Take-all	Roots	Percentage of take-all disease on roots.
Fusarium Stem Rot	Roots, Stems	percentages of tillers with Fusarium stem rot symptoms.
Eyespot	Stems	percentages of tillers with eyespot
Sharp-eyespot	Stems	percentages of tillers with sharp eyespot symptoms
Septoria nodorum blotch	Leaves	Septoria nodorum blotch severity
Septoria tritici blotch	Leaves	Septoria tritici blotch severity
Brown rust	Leaves	Brown rust severity
Yellow rust	Leaves	Yellow rust severity
Powdery Mildew	Leaves	Powdery Mildew severity
Fusarium Head Blight	Ears	percentage of kernels with Fusarium head blight symptoms
Aphids	Affect overall performance	Number of aphids
Weeds	Affect overall performance	Dry biomass of weeds
Barley Yellow Dwarf Viruses	Affect overall performance	Percentages of plants with Barley Yellow dwarf Viruses symptoms



# Biomass production

$$RG = RAD * RUE * (1 - e^{-kLAI})$$

**RG:** Rate of Growth ( $[RG]=MT^{-1}L^{-2}$ )

**RAD:** global RADiation ( $[RAD]=MT^{-3}$ )

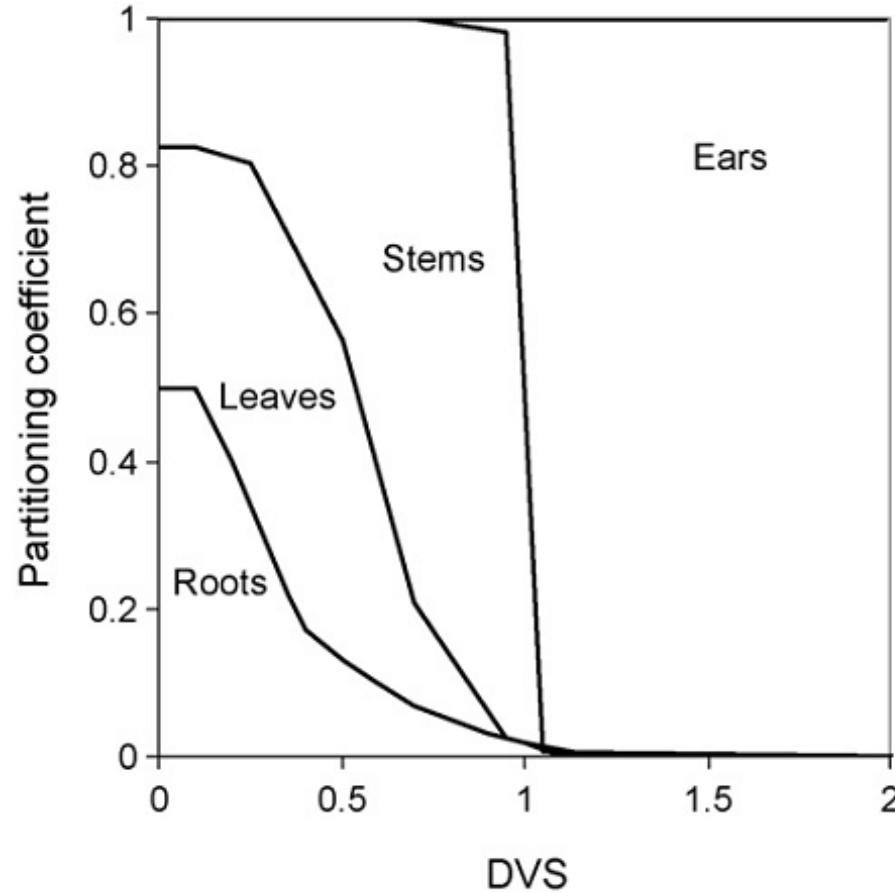
**RUE:** Radiation Use Efficiency ( $[RUE]=T^2L^{-2}$ )

**k:** coefficient of light extinction ( $[k]=1$ )

**LAI:** Leaf Area Index ( $[LAI]=1$ )

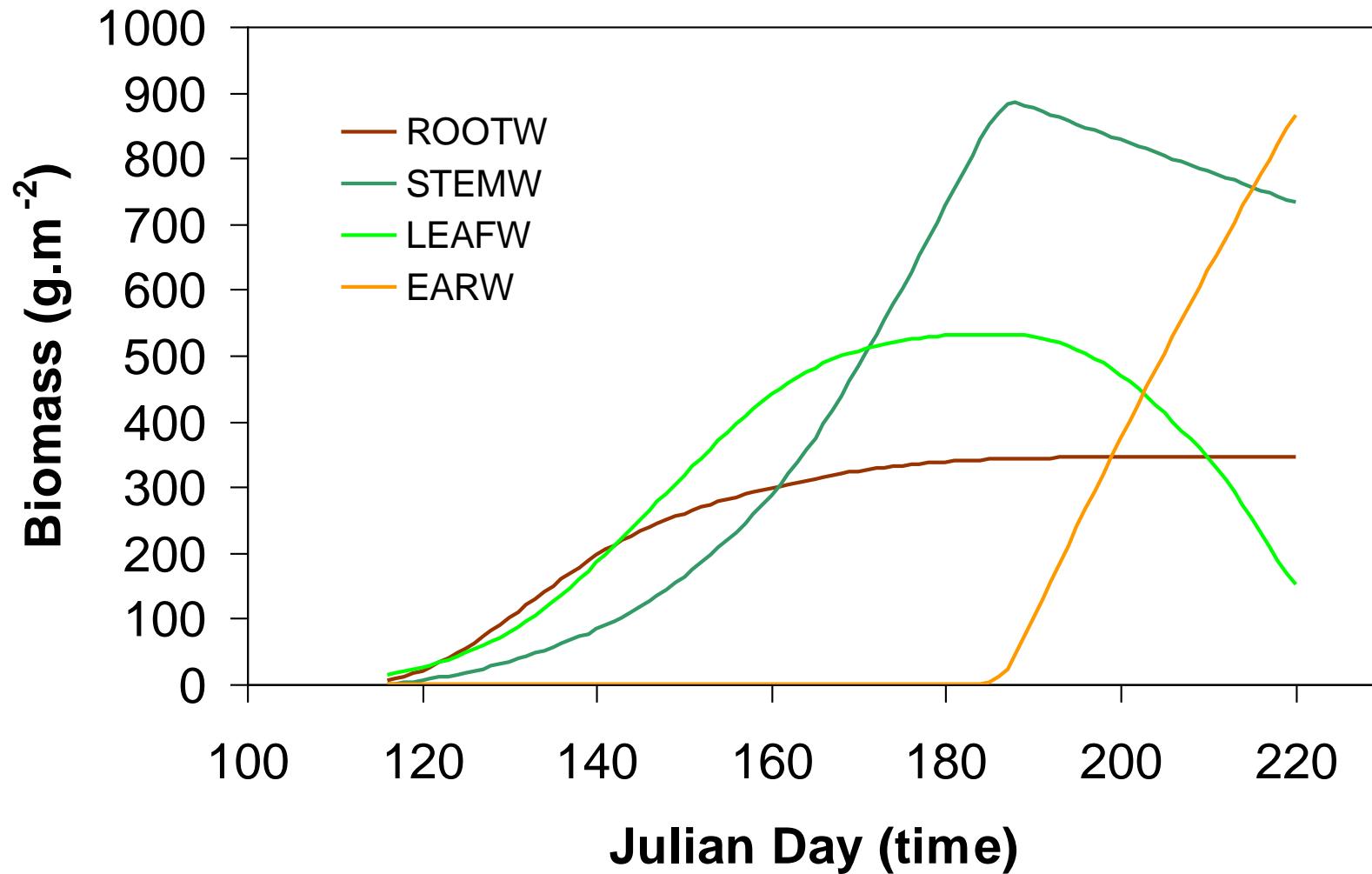


# Partitioning of assimilates to wheat organs as a function of development stage (DVS). Derived from Spitters et al (1989)



# Output examples

## Conventionnal



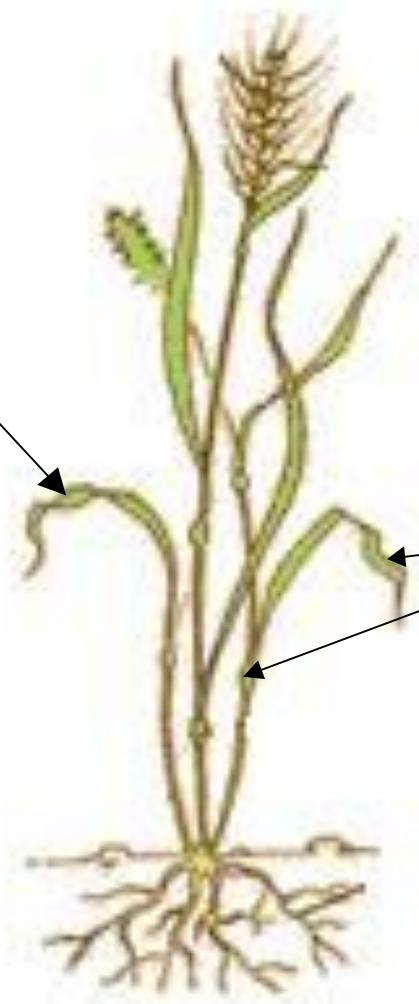
### Septoria tritici, S nodorum



- elongate ovals lesions,  
running parallel to leaf veins  
+chlorotic halo around the  
lesions



- black pycnidia (spore  
cases) in mature lesions.



### Powdery mildew



- white fluffy mildew  
pustule  
+ black spores at the end  
of vegetation

# Modelling damage mechanisms: powdery mildew (*Blumeria graminis*)

$$LAI_{dis} = LAI \left(1 - x/100\right)^\beta$$

**LAI<sub>dis</sub>:** reduced Leaf Area Index ([LAI<sub>dis</sub>]=1)

**LAI:** Leaf Area Index ([LAI]=1)

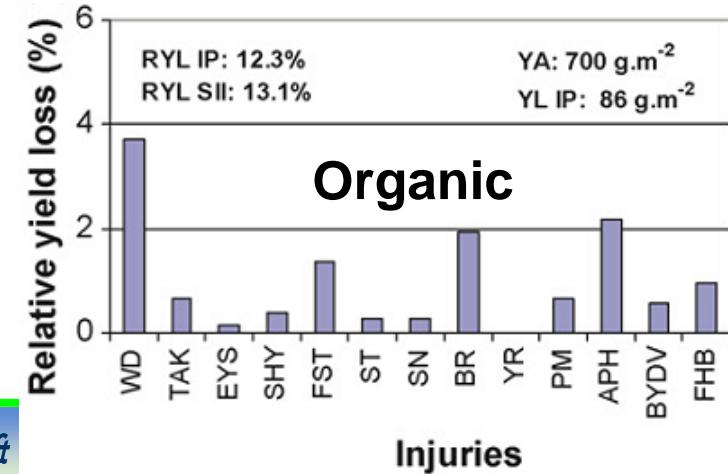
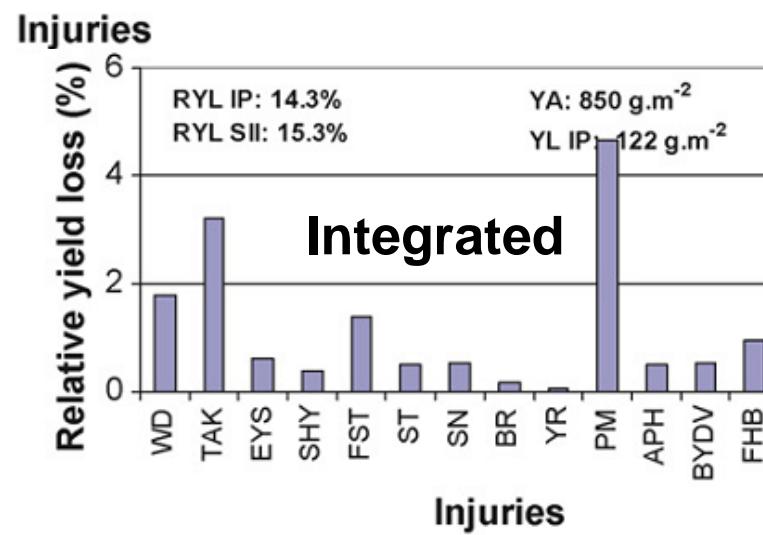
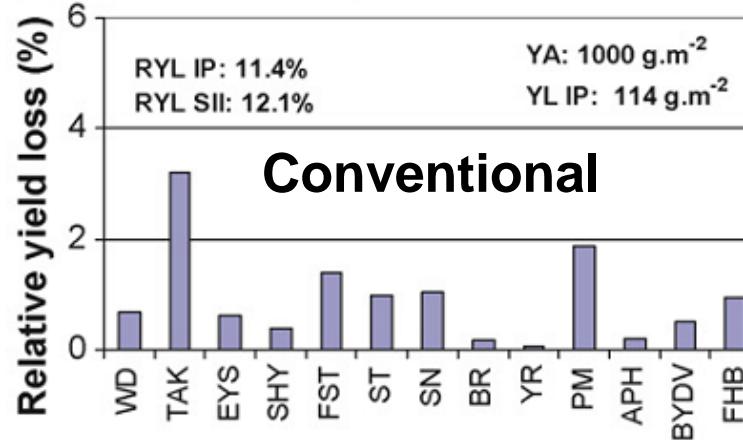
**x:** severity of the disease expressed in % ([x]=1)

**$\beta$ :** ratio of the virtual lesion area over the actual lesion area ([ $\beta$ ]=1)

$\beta=2.5$  (Rabbinge et al, 1985)

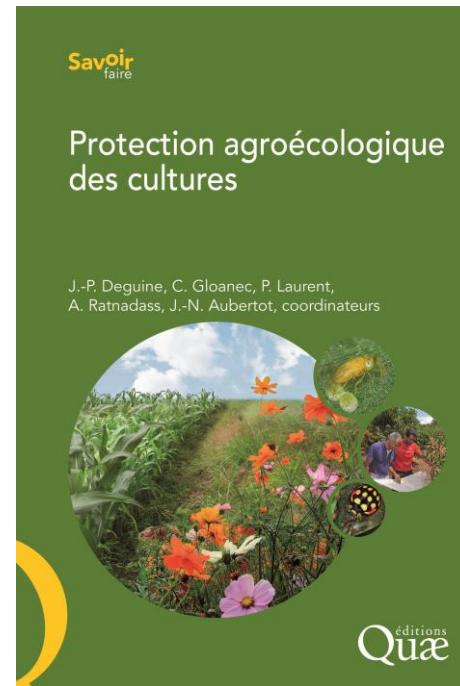


# Output examples



# Objectifs de la plateforme XPEST

- Partager un cadre conceptuel générique
- Faciliter le développement de modèles de nuisibilité
- Faciliter l'utilisation et le partage de ces modèles
- Promouvoir les approches de R&D ayant trait aux profils de dégâts
- Contribuer à la formation pour la PAEC



# Structure of the XPEST platform

## Home page

- Description of the aims of the platform, its structure, and underlying concepts
- Links to specific webpages describing XPEST models

## Modelling forge

*From scratch or re-using available models or sub-models*

Outputs stored in a database:

- models: online and downloadable R packages
- description of models with texts and pictures displayed in specific web pages

## Simulation center

*Using a XPEST model and uploading input variables*

Outputs stored in a database:

- simulations: input variables, model (mathematical structure and parameters), output variables (data, online and downloadable graphs)

## Accessibility

- Any web surfer

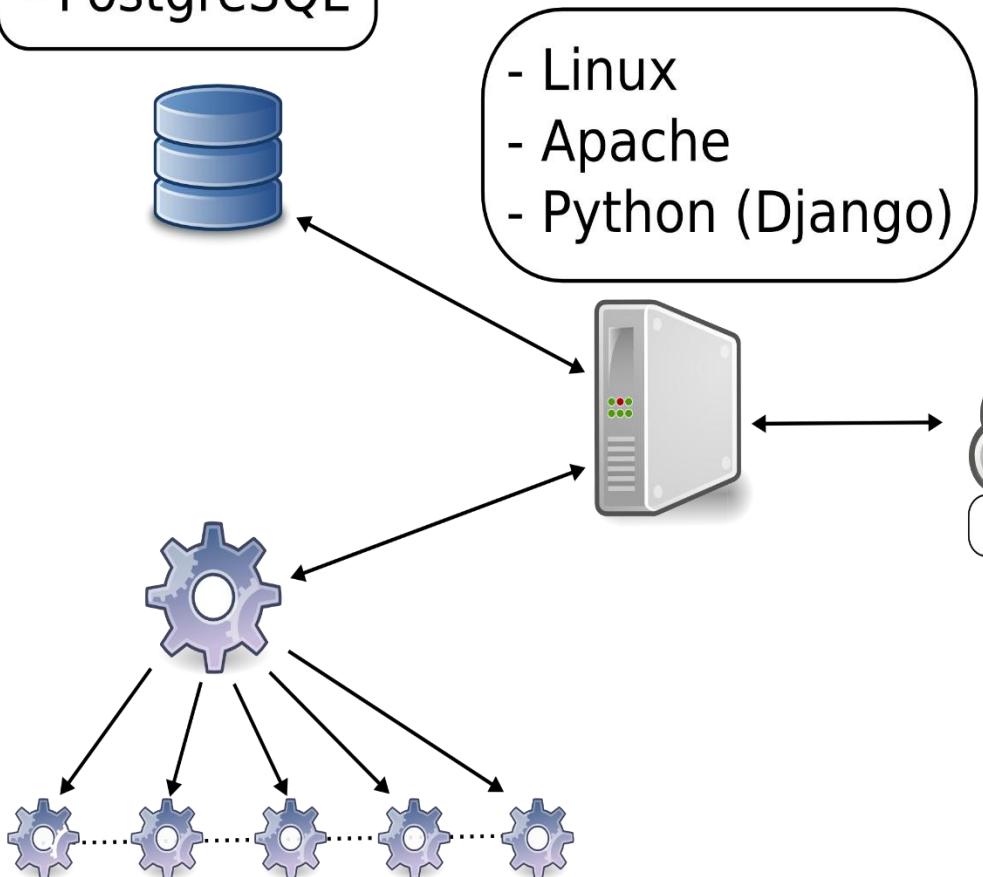
- XPEST modellers (required authorisation)
- XPEST administrators

- XPEST users (defined by XPEST modellers)

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# Architecture informatique de la plateforme XPEST

- PostgreSQL



- Linux  
- Apache  
- Python (Django)

Internet

- Python (pyVLE)  
- C++ (VLE)  
- Multithreading

- HTML5  
- CSS3  
- JQUERY  
- AJAX

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<http://147.100.164.75/xpest>

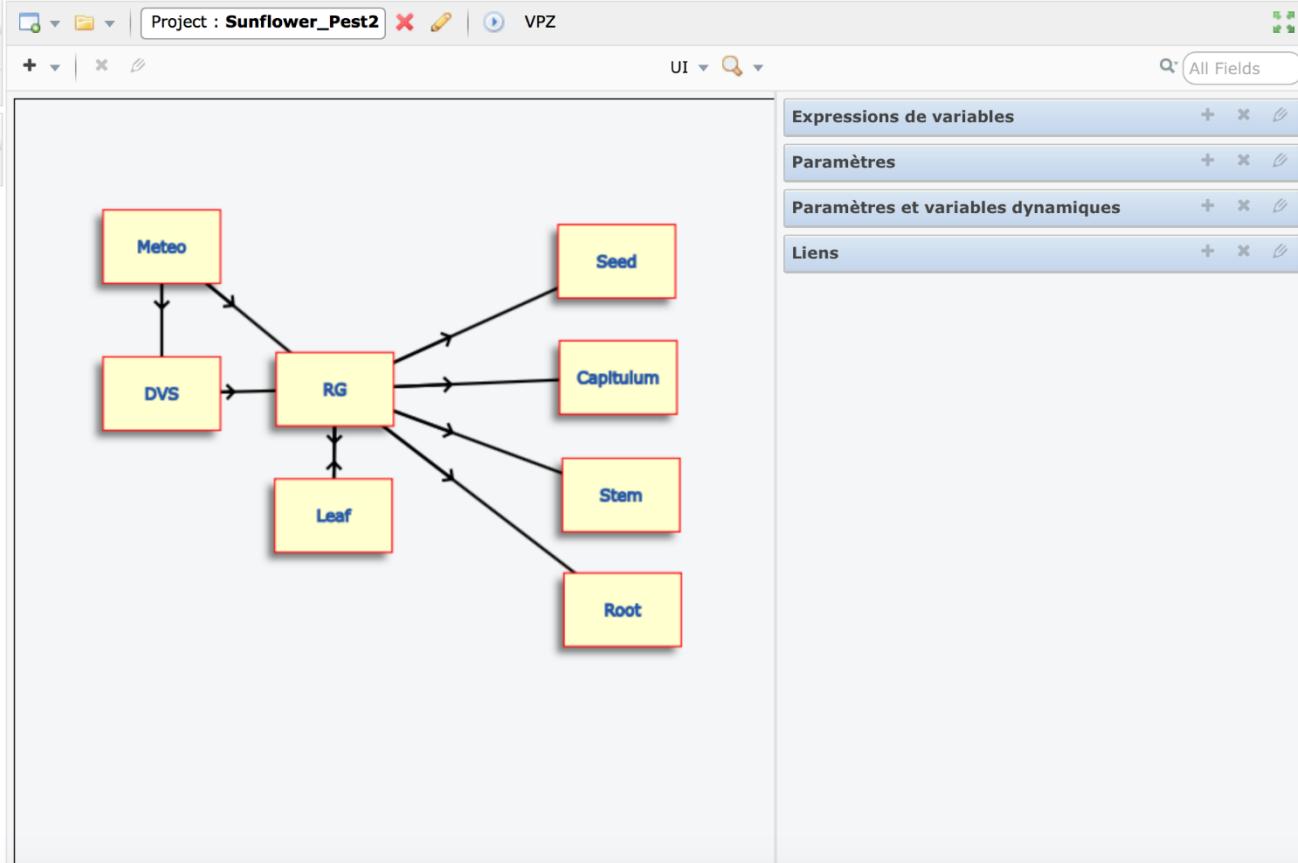


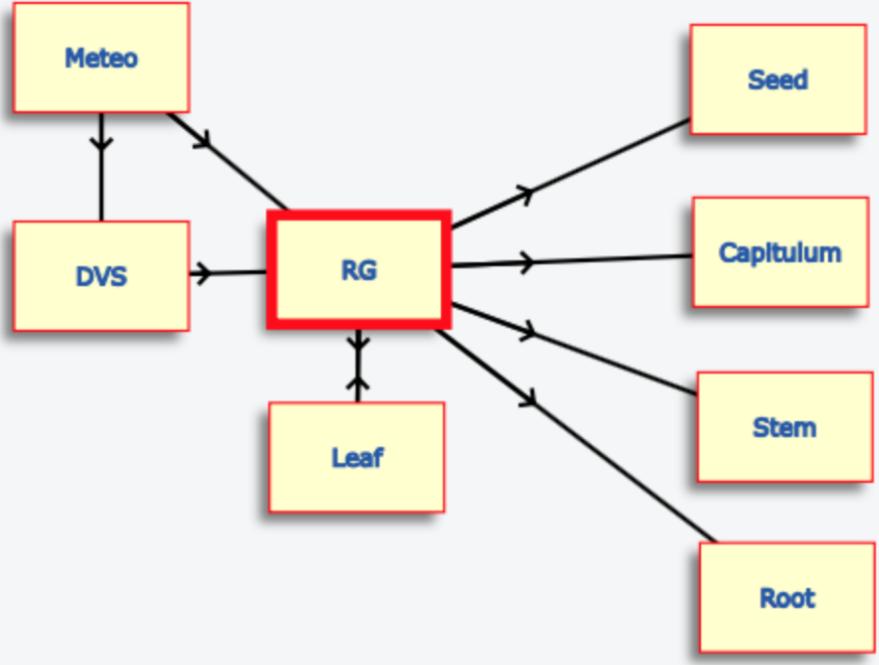
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### Modélisation

[Forge de modèles](#)



### Expressions de variables

Variable	Expression	Init.	Unité
RG	(ec*RAD*RUE*(1-exp(-k*LAI(-1)))*dt	1	g.m-2

### Paramètres

Paramètre	Valeur	Unité
ec	0.48	Dimensionless
k	0.85	Dimensionless
dt	1	day

### Paramètres et variables dynamiques

Variable	Fichier	Temps	Unité
RUE	RUE.txt	DVS	g.MJ-1

### Liens

Variable	Modèle	Mode	Unité
RAD	ModelMeteo	synchrone	MJ.m-2.day-1
DVS	ModelDVS	synchrone	Dimensionless
LAI	ModelLeaf	asynchrone	m2.m-2



## Edit equation RG



Variable

RG

Unité

g.m<sup>-2</sup>

Expression

(ec\*RAD\*RUE\*(1-exp(-k\*LAI(-1))))\*dt

Valeur initiale

Equation editor



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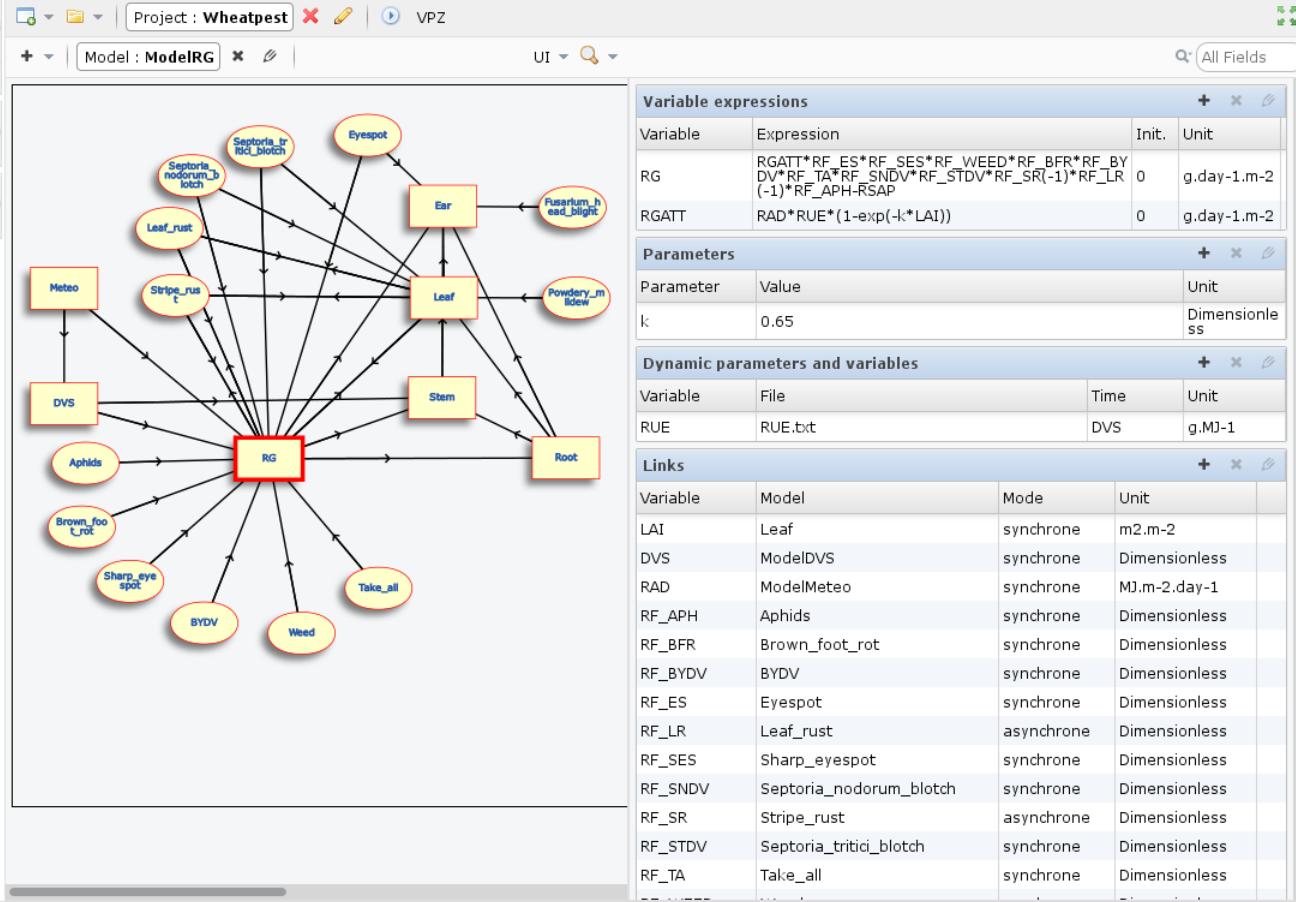
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# Premières simulations du modèle SUNFLOWERPEST (sans stress biotiques)



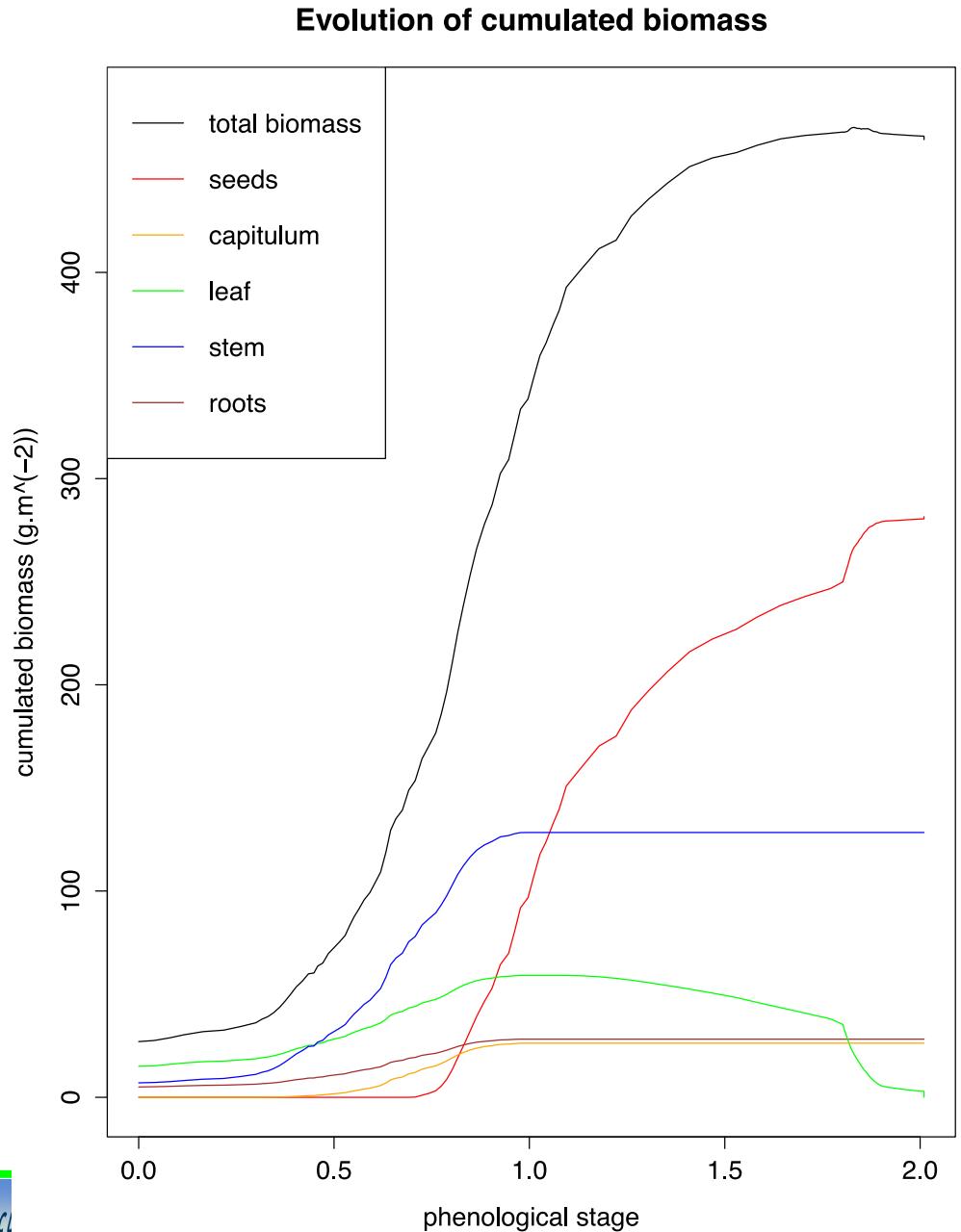
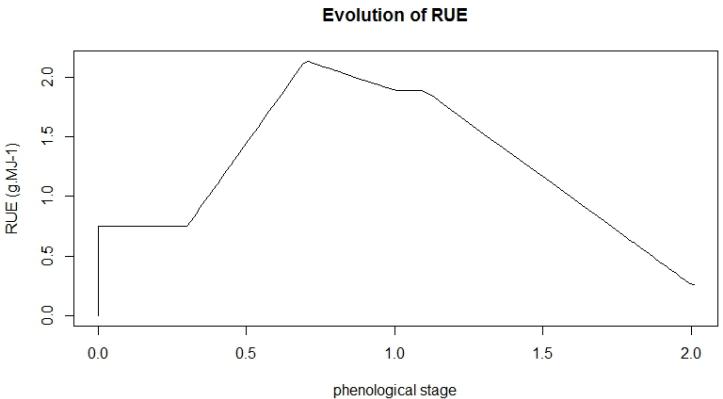
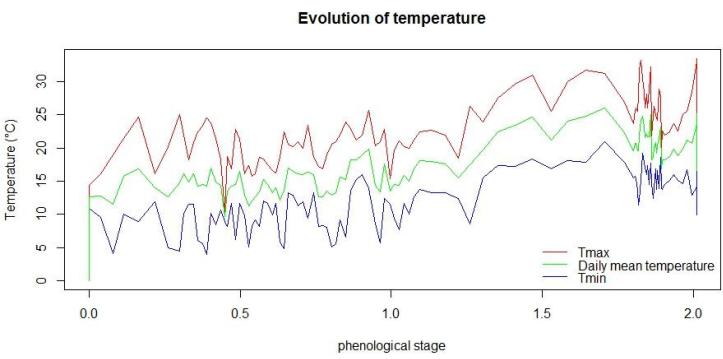
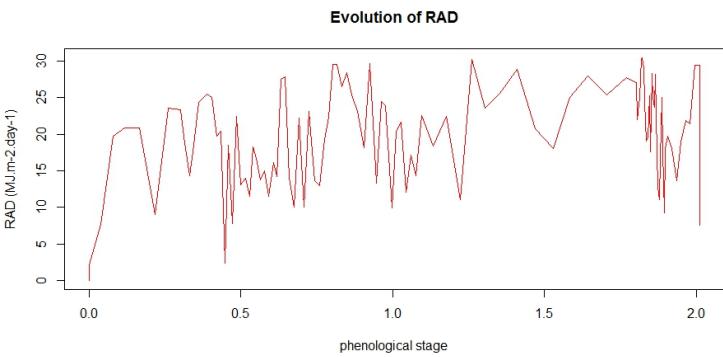
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# Variables d'entrée

# Variables de sortie



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"This model provides daily weather data"

Parameter values

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# Perspectives

- finaliser le « centre de simulation » de la plateforme
- développement du modèle SUNFLOWERPEST (projet Promosol) dans le cadre de la thèse de MA Vedy-Zecchini
- implémentation de VINEYARDPEST(collaboration UMR SYSTEM)
- article en cours de rédaction pour le numéro spécial PURE de Crop Protection
- création d'un TD pour



- Installation de R-VLE sous d'autres OS qu'Unix bientôt possible ?

