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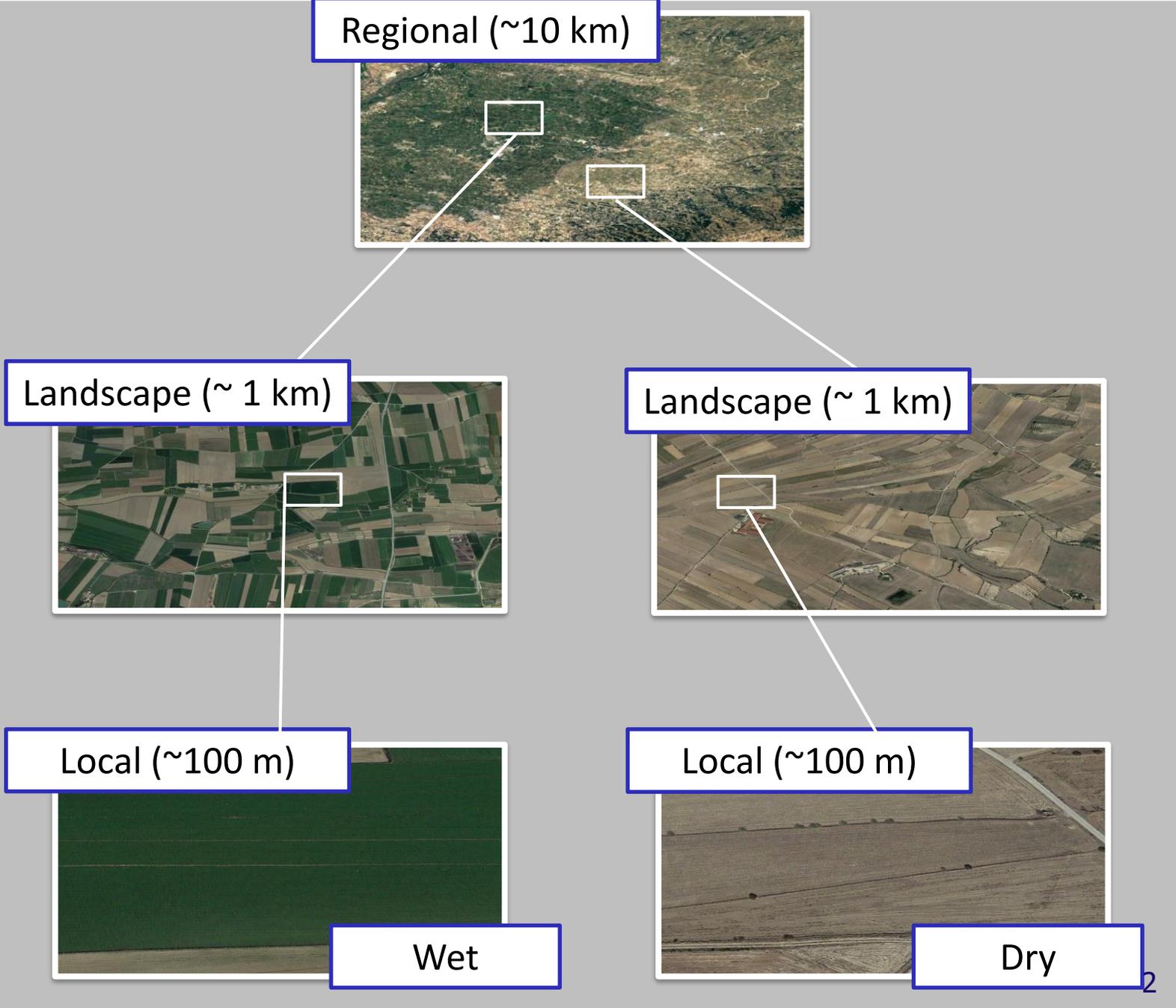
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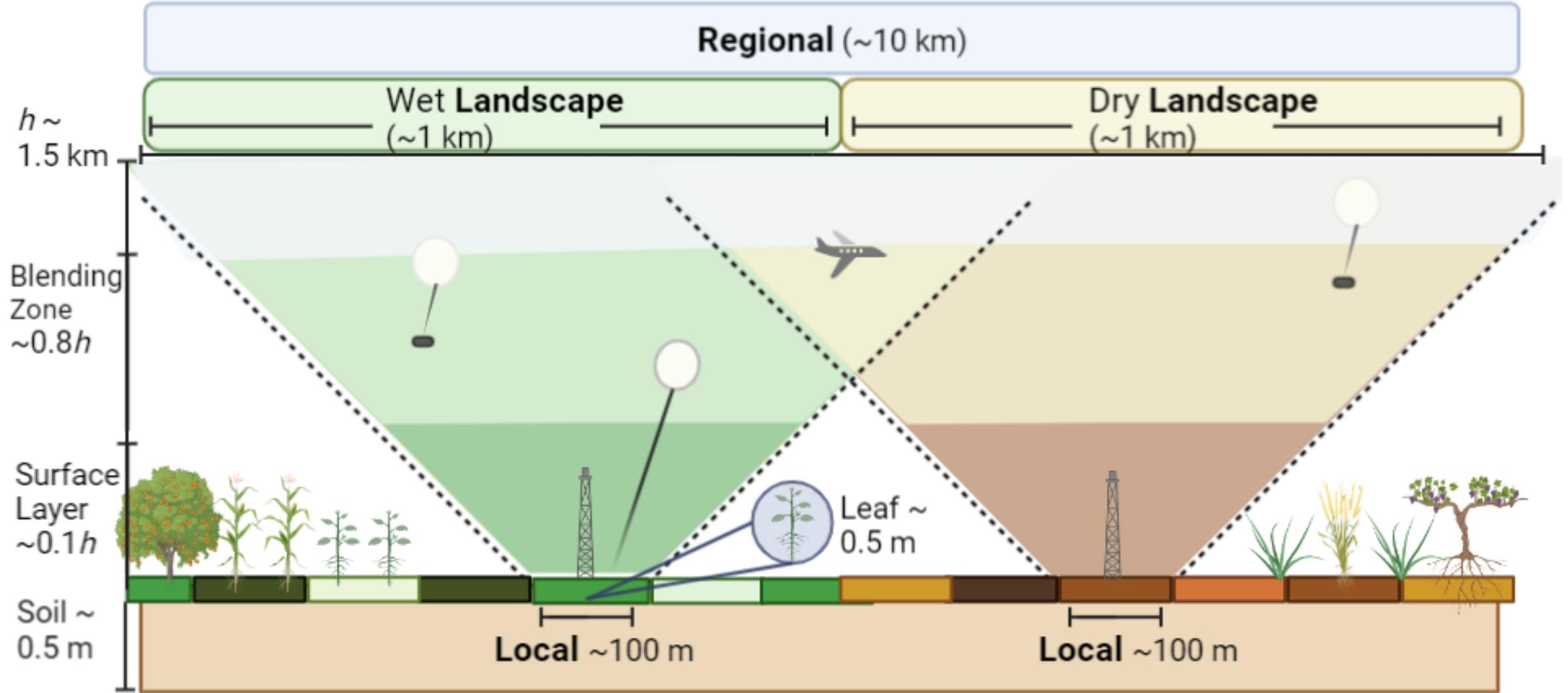
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How does spatial heterogeneity impact evaporation across spatial scales?



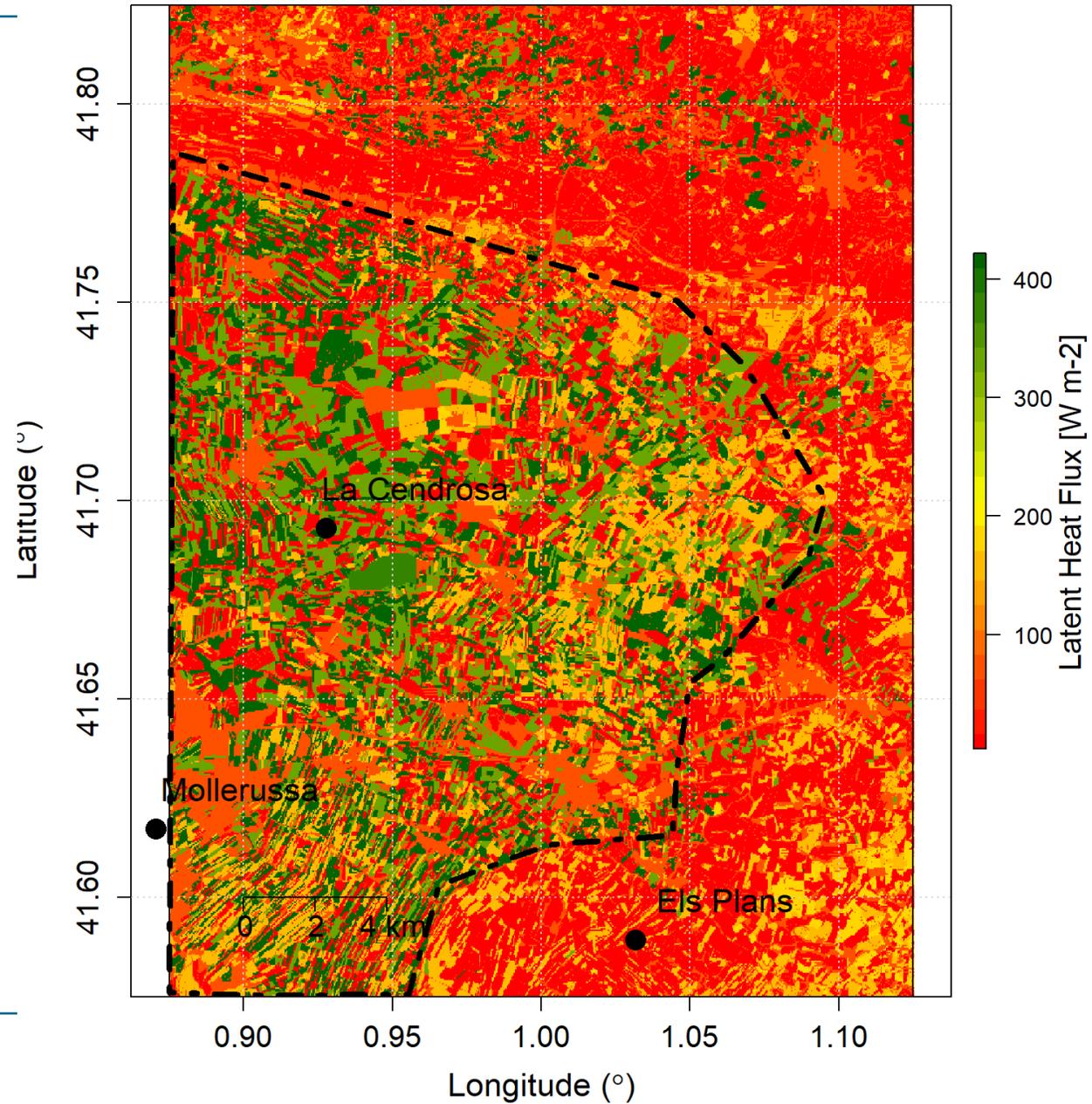
# How does spatial **heterogeneity** merge in the **ABL**?



Scale		Scale-View	Model Parameters			Scale Measurements	Target Parameters
			LAI	Vegetative Fraction	Soil Moisture (top layer)		
<b>Regional</b> ( $X_H \sim 10$ km)	LIAISE		1.7	0.3	0.18	Radiosondes Aircraft Balloons <b>Flux Maps</b>	h, $\theta, \Delta\theta,$ q, $\Delta q,$ H, <b>LE</b>
<b>Landscape</b> ( $X_H \sim 1$ km)	Wet		2.2	0.45	<b>0.23</b>	Aircraft Balloons Scintillometer 50 m fluxes <b>Flux Maps</b>	<b>H</b> <b>LE</b>
	Dry		0.5	0.13	0.15		
<b>Local</b> ( $X_H \sim 100$ m)	Wet		<b>2.5</b>	<b>1.0</b>	0.21	50 m fluxes Surface Fluxes	<b>H</b> <b>LE</b>
	Dry		<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>		

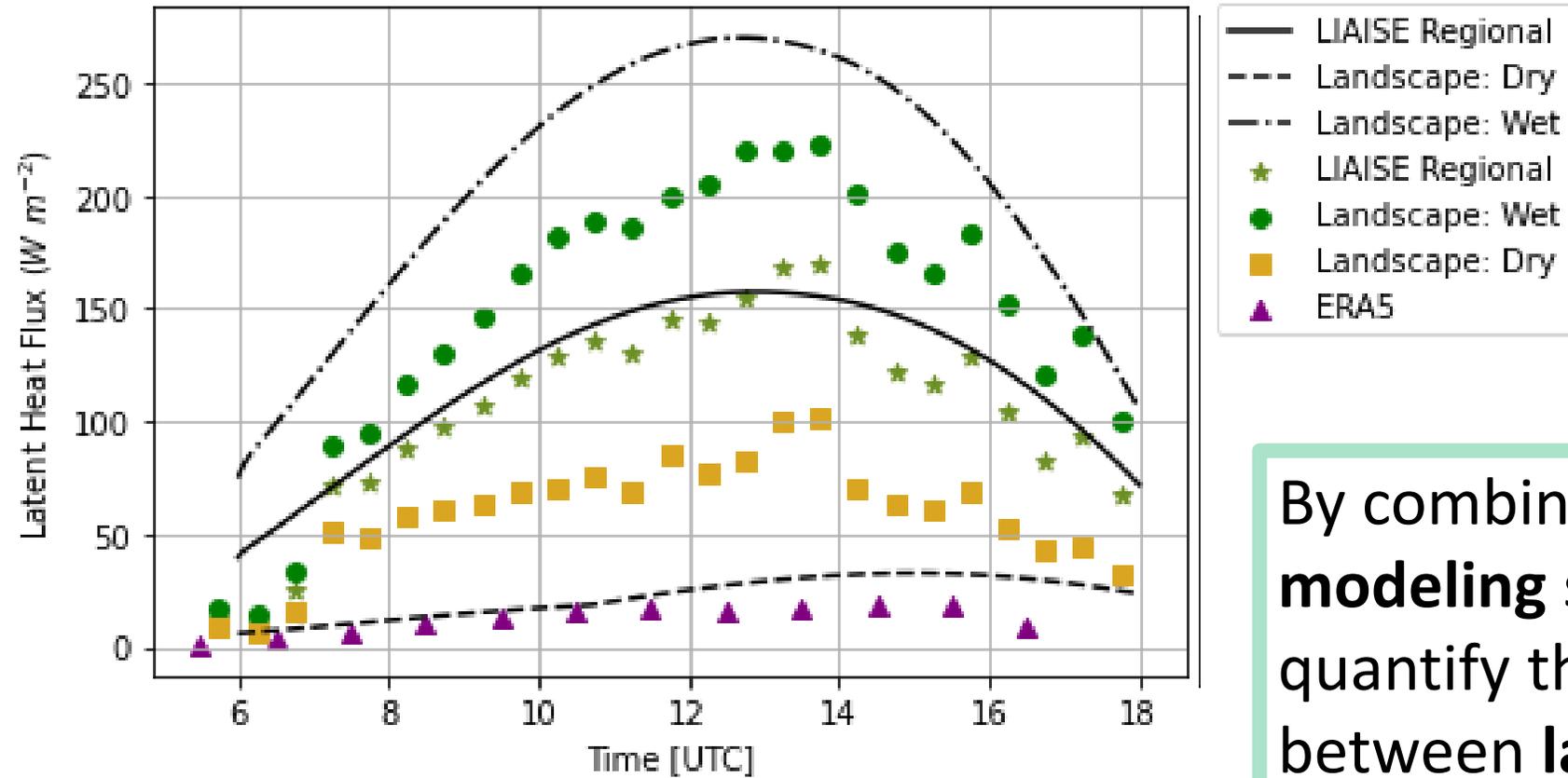
Spatial Flux Maps at the regional and landscape scales allows us to identify sub-grid scale flux and vegetation heterogeneity.

Latent Heat Flux  
LIAISE Regional





# Mixed-Layer Model: Latent Heat Flux (Regional to Landscape Scales)



By combining **observations** with **modeling** studies, we can better quantify the bi-directional impact between **land surface** and the **ABL** in a heterogenous environment.

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