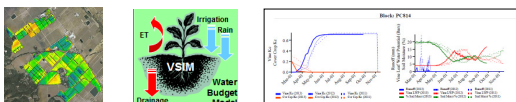


Automated Estimation of Vineyard Water Status using LANDSAT and Water Balance Modeling.

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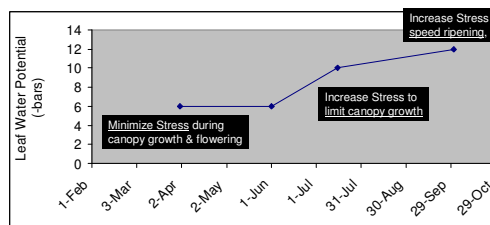


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Motivation: Grower irrigation goals in wine grapes

Achieving vine water stress targets by specific dates.

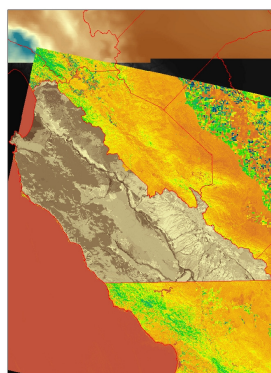


The Challenge - Staying on course during wet vs. dry years

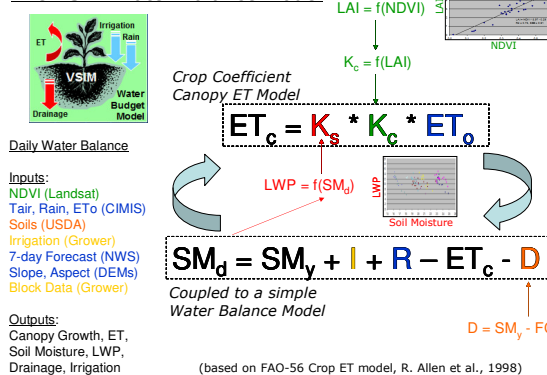
- Wet Yrs - Avoid too much water and vigorous canopy growth.
- Dry Yrs - Provide enough water to support canopy growth and flowering.
- Estimating vine water status in blocks without measurements.

Motivation: Web-based Geospatial Datasets

Dataset	Source	Information
Weather	CIMIS, AgriMet	Rainfall, ET, GDD
Topography	USGS	Slope, Aspect
Satellite NDVI	USGS, NASA	Vine growth
Soils	USDA, NRCS	Water-holding Capacity

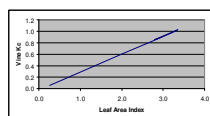


The VSIM Water Balance Model

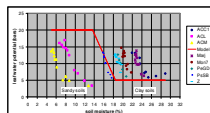


VSIM algorithms relating vine growth to water stress

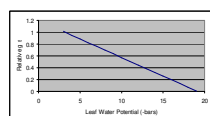
Estimating Vine K_c from Leaf Area
Williams & Ayars, 2005.
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Estimating LWP from Soil Moisture
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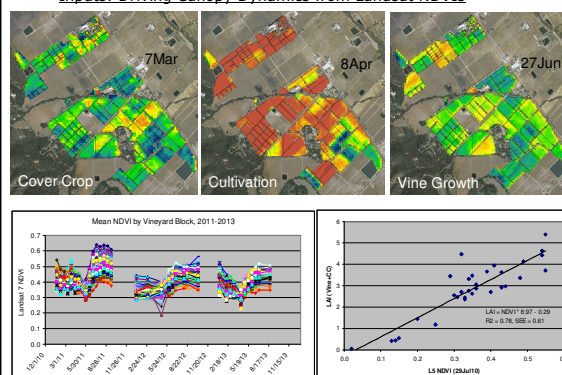


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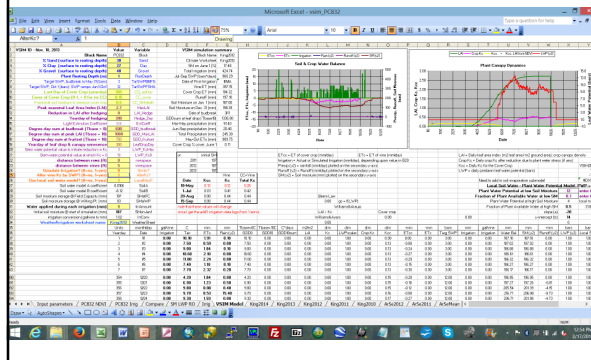


Estimating Stomatal Cond. from LWP
Williams & Araujo, 2002.
J. Amer. Soc. Hort. Sci. 127(3):448-454.

Inputs: Driving Canopy Dynamics from Landsat NDVIs



- VSIM Model:**
- For single blocks, Excel Spreadsheet
 - For several blocks across vineyard, Amazon Cloud



Testing VSIM: Soil Moisture Measurements vs. VSIM-based Estimates

Monterey, Pinot Noir Block, 2011 (VSP trellis, 5x8 spacing, alluvial fan soils)

VSIM model inputs:

- Landsat NDVIs (14 dates)
- CIMIS ETo, Rain, Tair (Arroyo Seco)
- Measured Irrigation
- USDA Soils



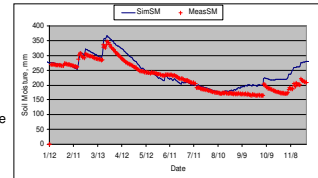
Daily estimates of soil moisture generated using VSIM Jan-Nov 2011

Measurements

- C-probes at 1', 2', 3', 4' depth
- 8 locations within block
- Averaged across block

Comparison

Measured vs Estimated Soil Moisture



Testing VSIM: Leaf Water Potential Measurements vs. VSIM-based Estimates

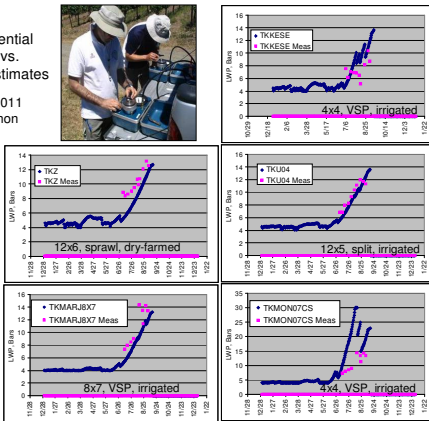
Napa (Oakville) 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon

Across blocks, Various spacings & trellis-types

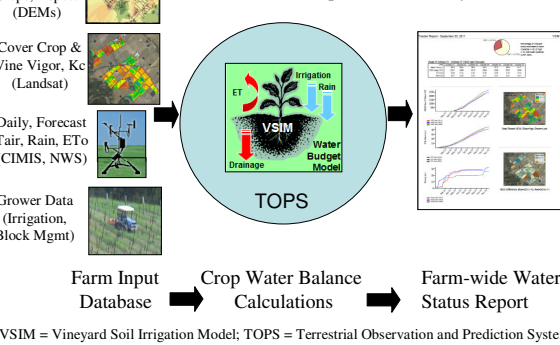
Inputs
Landsat NDVI
Oakville CIMIS
Grower Irrigation
USDA Soils

Measured LWP (red points)
Simulated LWP (blue points)

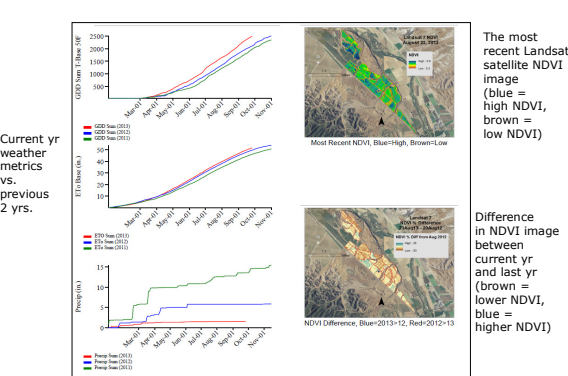
LWP Measurements
Courtesy of CWUS



Combining Geo-spatial Datasets within Models to Estimate Crop Water Status by Block



VSIM Report: Seasonal weather summary and comparison



VSIM Report: Block-by-block Summary

Block Summaries

SM = Estimated Soil Moisture %
LWP = Estimated Leaf Water Potential (bars)
SW Def = Estimated Soil Water Deficit (inches)
Last Imp = Date of Last Irrigation

Block	September 13, 2013 - September 19, 2013					September 20, 2013 - September 26, 2013 - forecast				
	Mean SM %	Sum SM % gallivene	Date Last Imp	Mean LWP, bars	Mean SW Def	Mean SM %	Mean SW Def	Mean LWP, bars	Mean Vine Kc	Mean Kcc
PC830	5.96	0.00	08-23	15.41	1.30	5.59	1.46	16.72	0.64	0.00
PC831A	7.29	7.20	08-23	11.93	0.75	6.52	1.08	13.79	0.71	0.00
PC831B	7.59	11.38	08-23	11.78	0.75	6.85	1.07	13.42	0.66	0.00
PC832	6.63	14.50	08-23	13.42	1.02	6.06	1.27	15.16	0.71	0.00
PC833	8.80	0.00	08-23	9.49	0.15	7.93	0.51	10.84	0.57	0.00
PC834	10.80	0.00	08-23	9.49	0.21	9.88	0.59	10.53	0.63	0.00
PC835	12.14	0.00	08-23	9.94	0.02	11.15	0.43	9.95	0.63	0.00
PC836	5.89	11.00	08-23	16.13	1.45	5.49	1.62	17.61	0.73	0.00
PC837	7.19	22.29	08-23	13.31	1.13	6.60	1.38	14.85	0.71	0.00
PC838	6.92	21.54	08-23	13.35	1.07	6.94	1.32	14.94	0.68	0.00

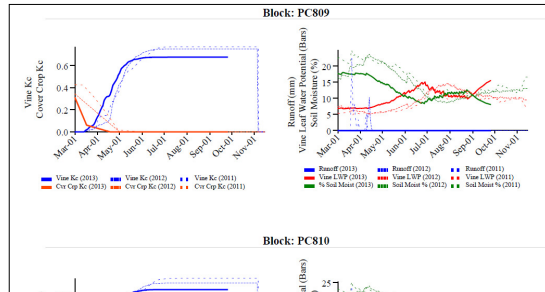
Blocks highlighted in red water stress > -14 bars
Blocks highlighted in yellow, water stress = -10 to -14 bars

VSIM Report: Canopy and Water Balance Dynamics By Block

Cover crop cover (orange)
Vine growth (Kc, blue)

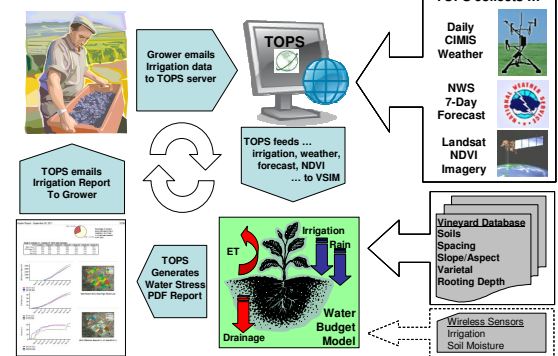
Soil Moisture (green)
Leaf Water Potential (red)
Drainage (blue)

Current year (solid), previous years (dashed)



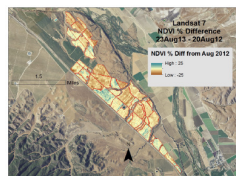
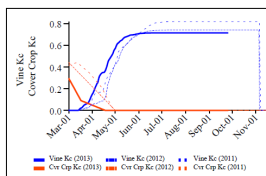
Automated Vineyard Water Stress Reporting using TOPS/VSIM

Terrestrial Observation and Prediction System (TOPS)
NASA/Ames



Benefits to the Grower:

- Access and summarize important vineyard water balance variables:
 - ETo, Tair, rainfall, GDDs by year for vineyard
 - NDVI, Cover Crop, & Vine Kc by block and year
 - USDA Sand, Clay, Gravel estimates by block
 - Mean Slope and Aspect by block

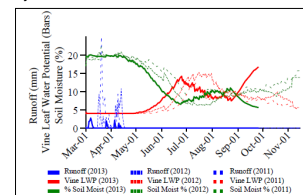


Benefits to the Grower (cont.):

- Utilize these input datasets to calculate:

- Metrics that summarize vineyard water status:

Soil Moisture
Leaf Water Potential
Drainage or Runoff



- Forecasts of vineyard water status by block for the current year

High Soil Moisture in Wet Years (delayed irrigation)
Low Soil Moisture in Dry Years (early irrigation)
Maintaining a vine water stress goal throughout season

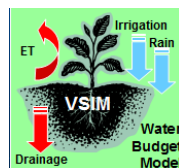
Issues.....

Input Data

- Satellite imagery – Clouds
- Weather – Extrapolation from station to block
- Soils – County-wide surveys vs. Block-scale
- Irrigation Data – Quality, Timeliness
- Rooting Depth – time-consuming to measure

Model

- Simple, single canopy and soil layer
- Estimating LWP from Soil Moisture



But.... Still useful? Relative vs. Absolute Values?

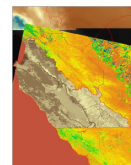
VSIM/TOPS combines several different datasets that influence vine water needs in order to assist growers in ...

- Irrigating to vine water needs
- Responding to annual weather variations
- Comparing, Evaluating irrigation schedules

Input Datasets required to generate the Vineyard Water Stress Report

Web-based Geospatial Datasets accessed via TOPS:

- Landsat Imagery - NDVI (cover crop, vine Kc)
- CIMIS Weather - ETo, Rainfall, Air Temp
- NWS (7-day) & CPC (30-day) weather forecasts
- USDA Soils – Sand, Clay, Gravel
- USGS Topography – Slope, Aspect (averaged by block given a block boundary shapefile)



Data Required from Grower:

- Block Data – block name, variety, spacing, rootstock, emitters/vine, emitter volume
- Grower Irrigation Logs – Gal/vine by block and date



Reworking the VSIM/TOPS Vineyard Water Balance Report....

Grower Provides....

Nothing →

Regional Summary & Forecast

- Sonoma, Napa, Monterey, Fresno, etc.
- Weather, forecast summaries
- NDVI imagery
- Simulated Soil Moisture, LWP
- Light, Moderate, Heavy Soils

Block Boundaries →

Some Block-specific Analyses

- NDVI summary by block
- Simulated irrigation needs by block?
- Estimated & Forecast Soil Moisture, LWP

Block Boundaries &
Irrigation Logs →

Farms Summaries by Block

- Irrigation Schedule Evaluation (LWP, Drainage)
- Current and Forecast Soil Moisture, LWP
- Sustainable Vineyard Water Use Report?

- Comparisons of current year to long-term averages
- Going beyond next week - Inclusion of CPC Forecasts (8-14 day, 30 day)

Ongoing studies

CA Dept of Water Resources - 2013-2015

Build out and automate VSIM/TOPS software
Beta-test software and automation in 2014 in winegrapes
Expand to other crops (almond, walnut) in 2015



Thank you.

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