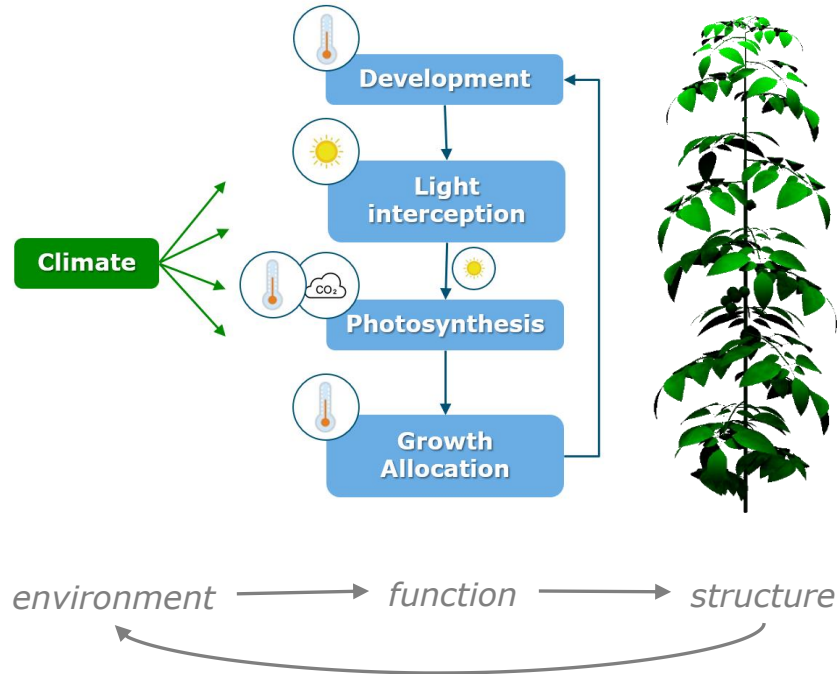


Bringing everything together into a simple functional-structural plant (FSP) model

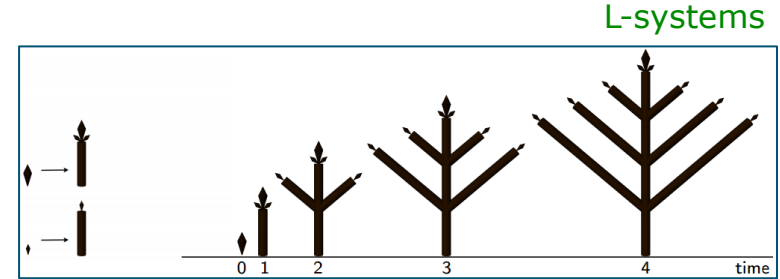
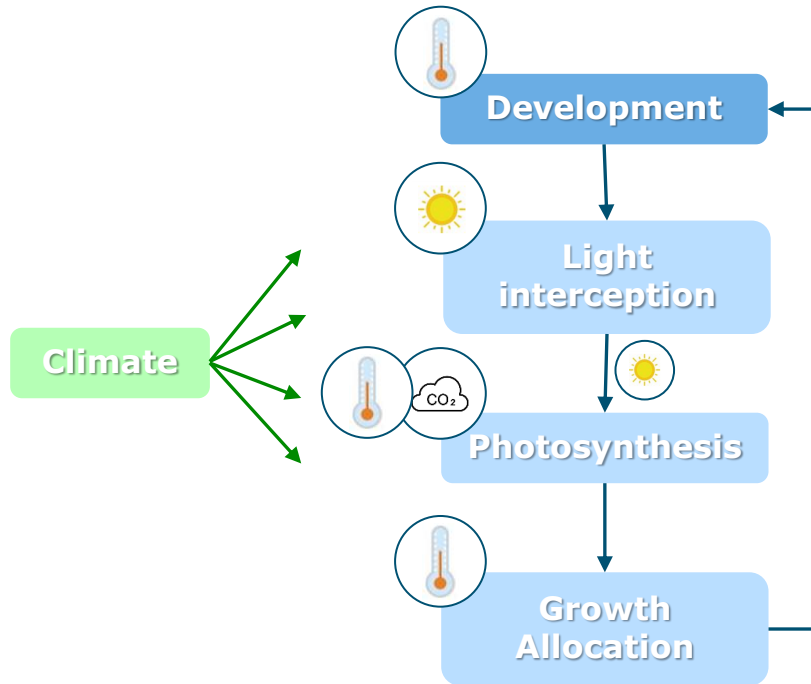
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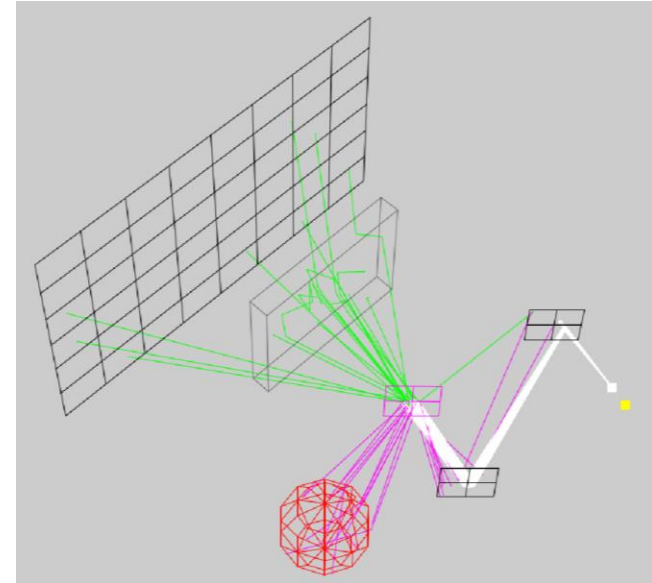
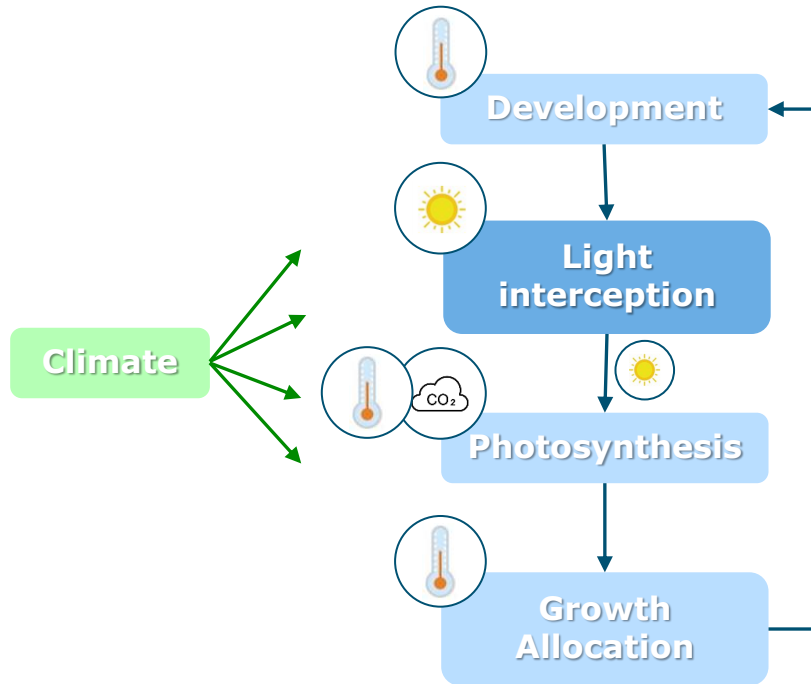
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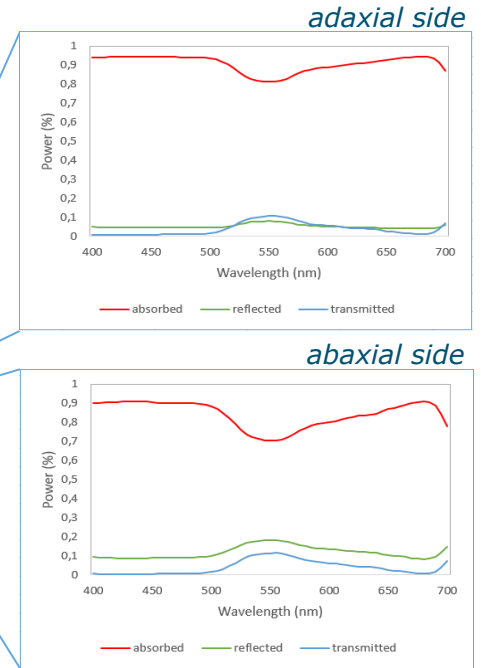
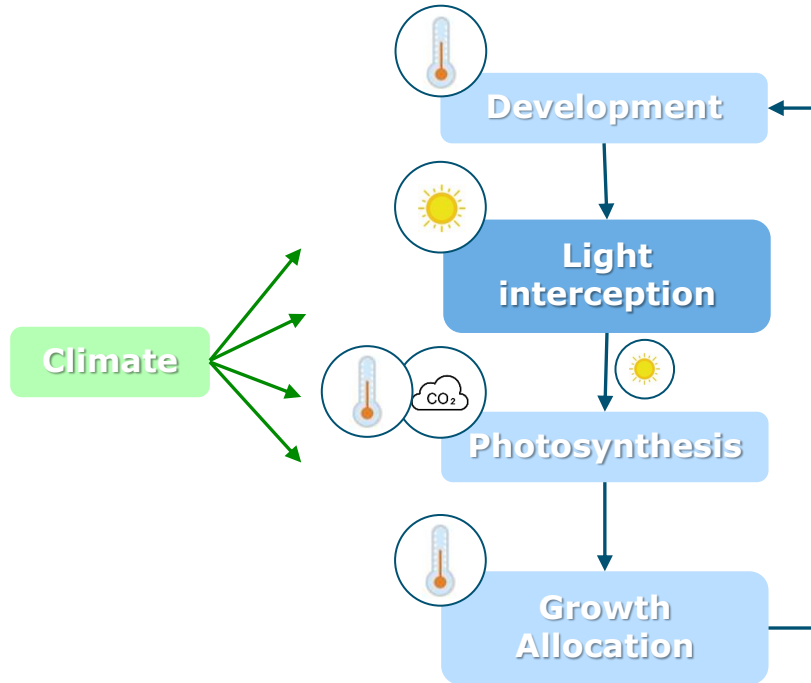


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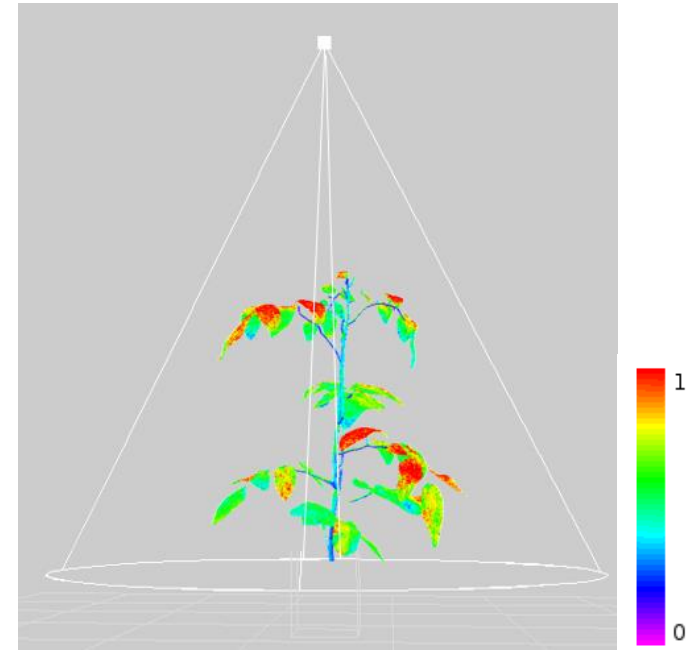
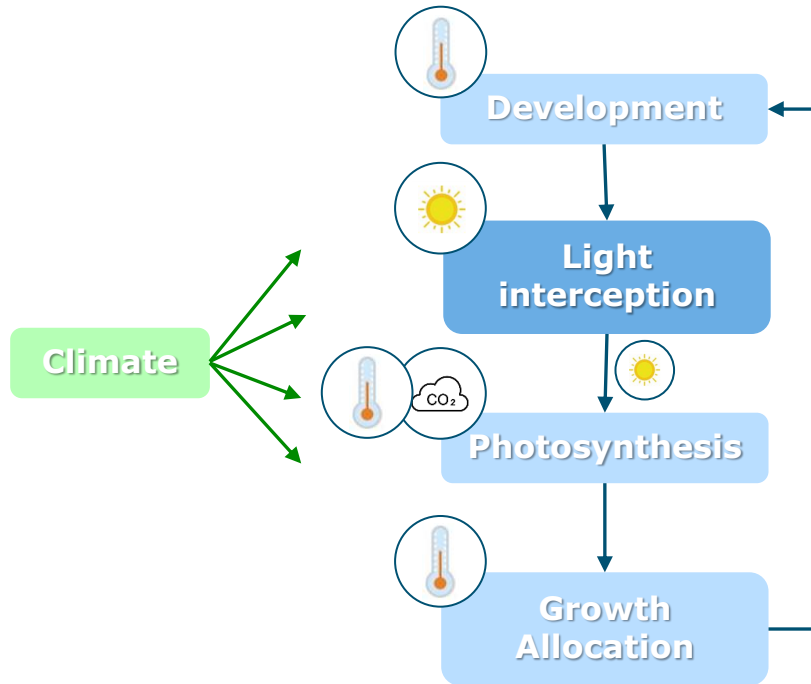
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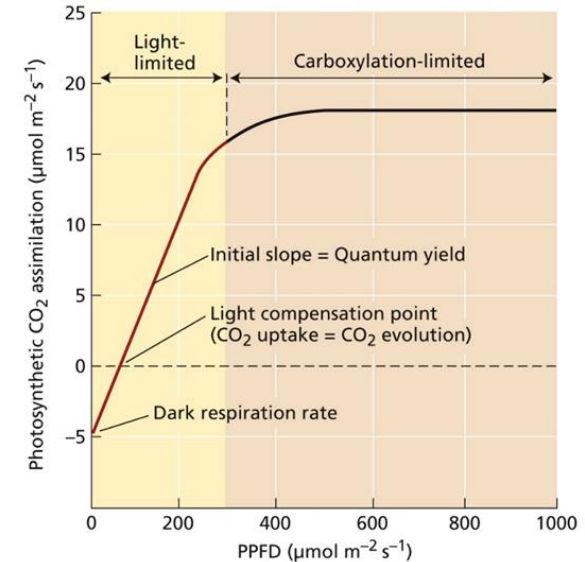
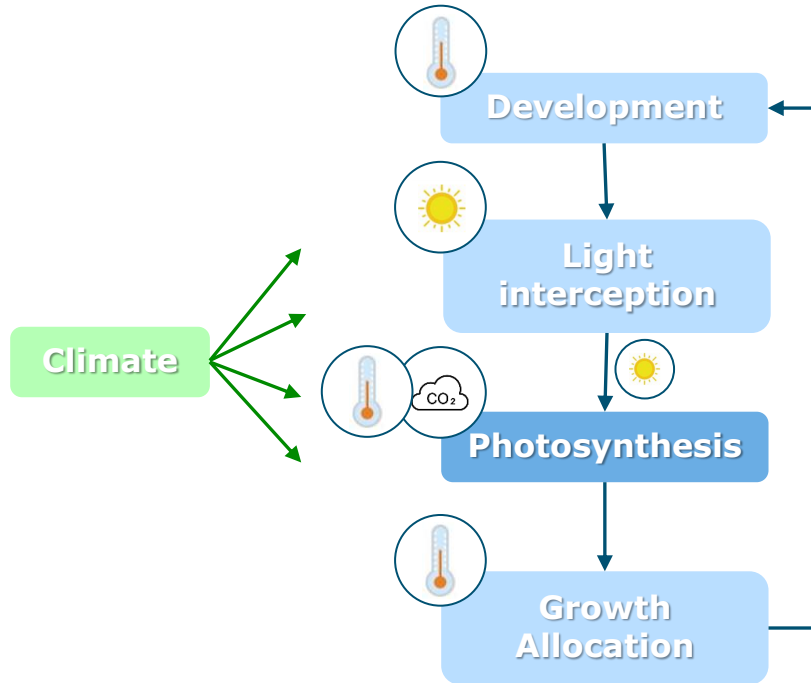
Leaf optical properties

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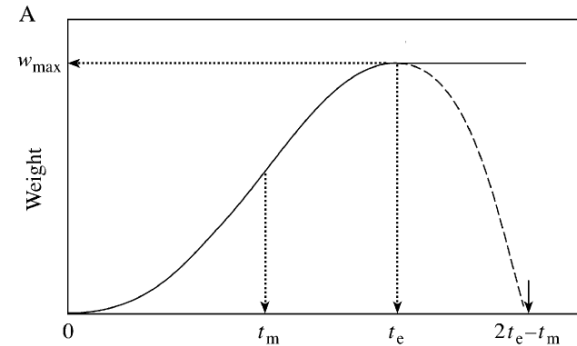
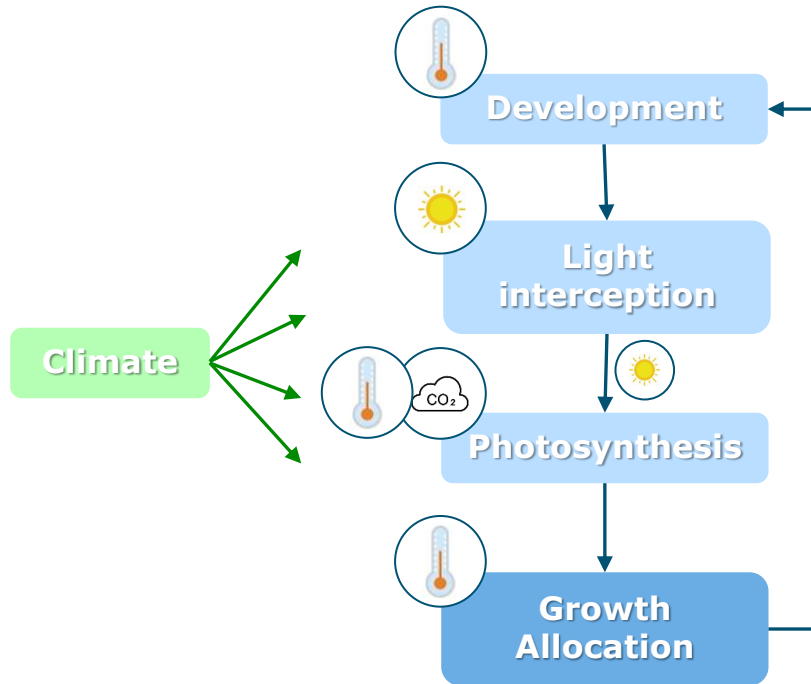
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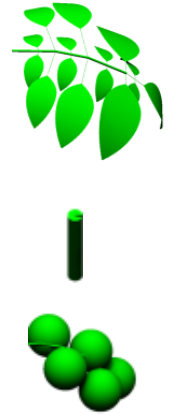
Various photosynthesis models
(non-rectangular hyperbola, FvCB, Kim-Lieth)

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Yin et al., 2003, AoB

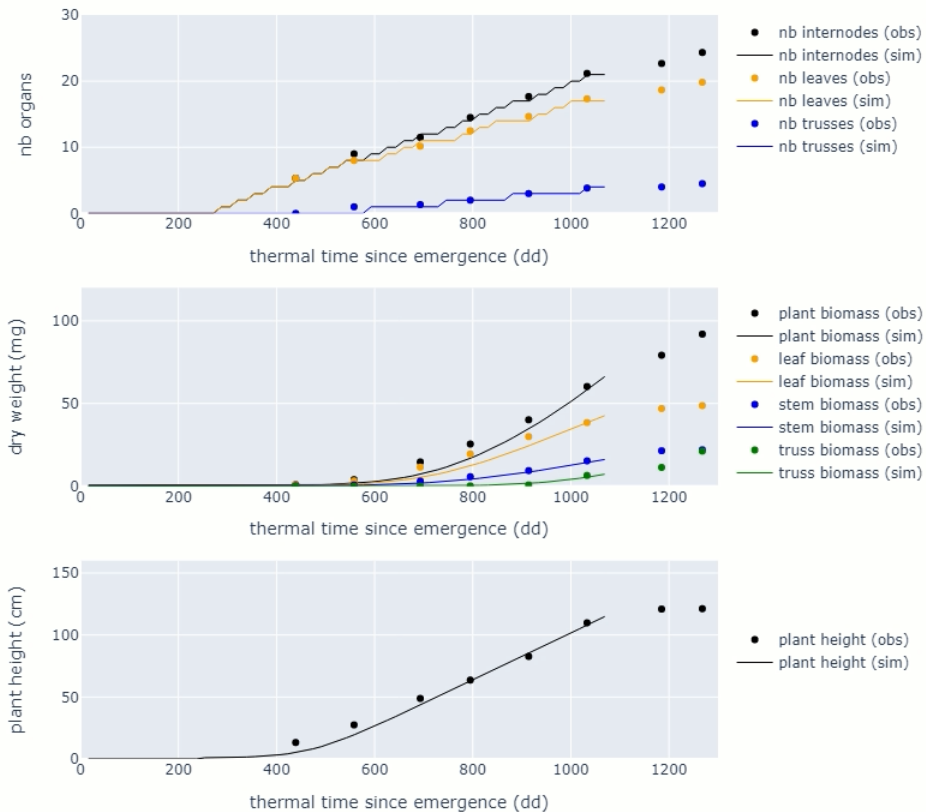
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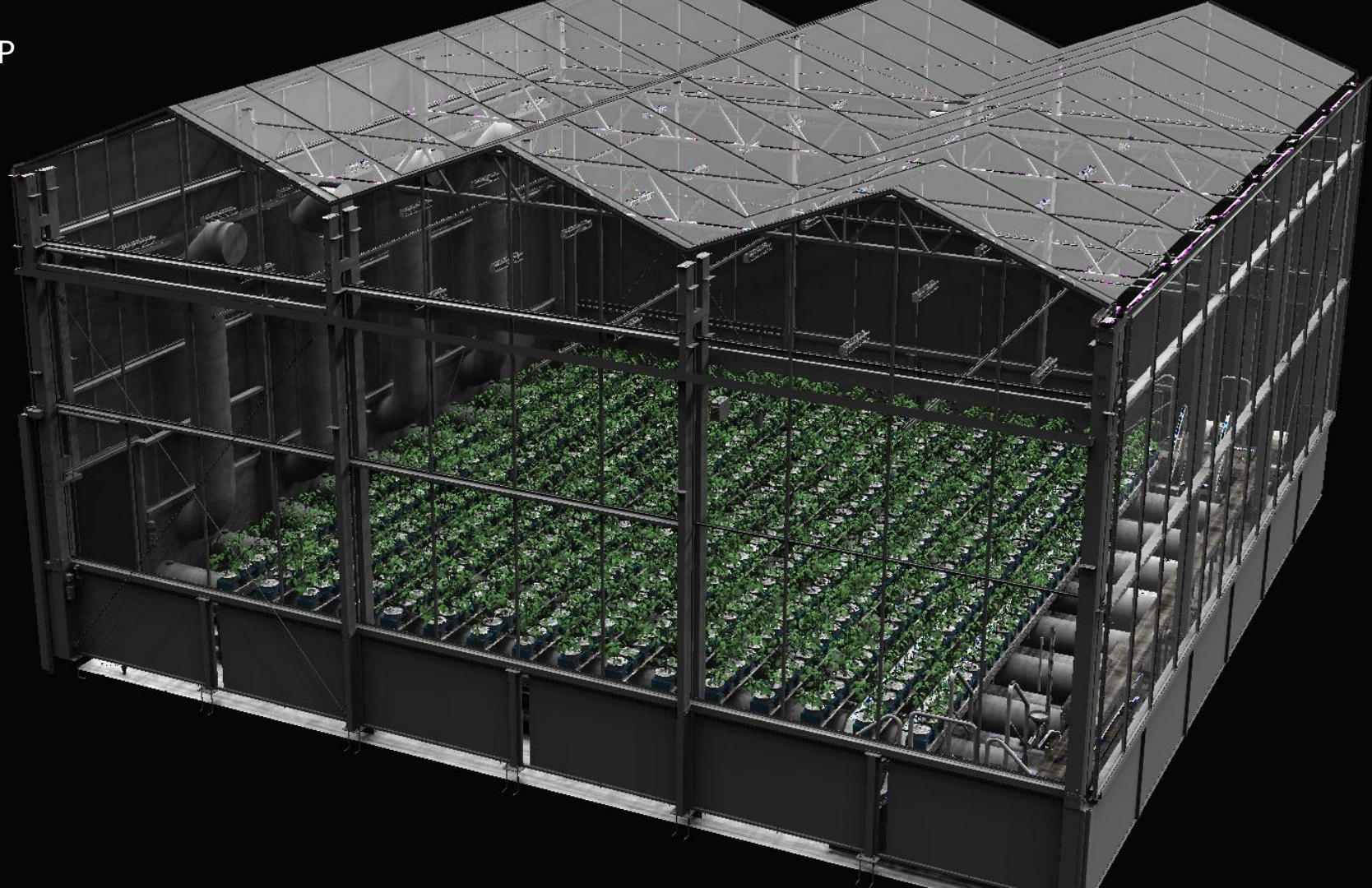
Dynamic tomato FSP model



Cultivar: Merlice

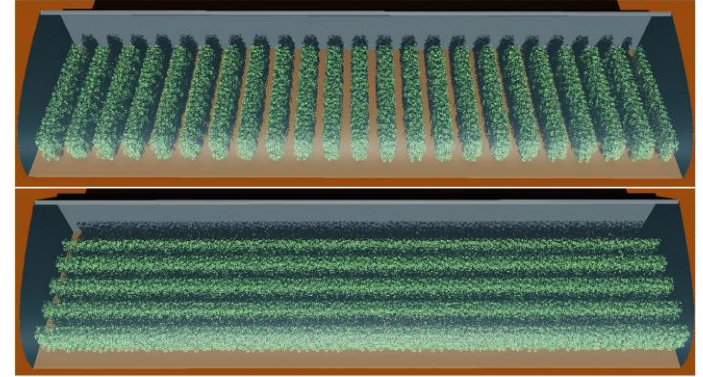


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Why an FSP model?

- Architecture -> Environment -> Function (feedback loop)
- Find: Planting layout, leaf pruning strategies
 Better plant traits (plant ideotypes)
 Lighting setup, greenhouse construction



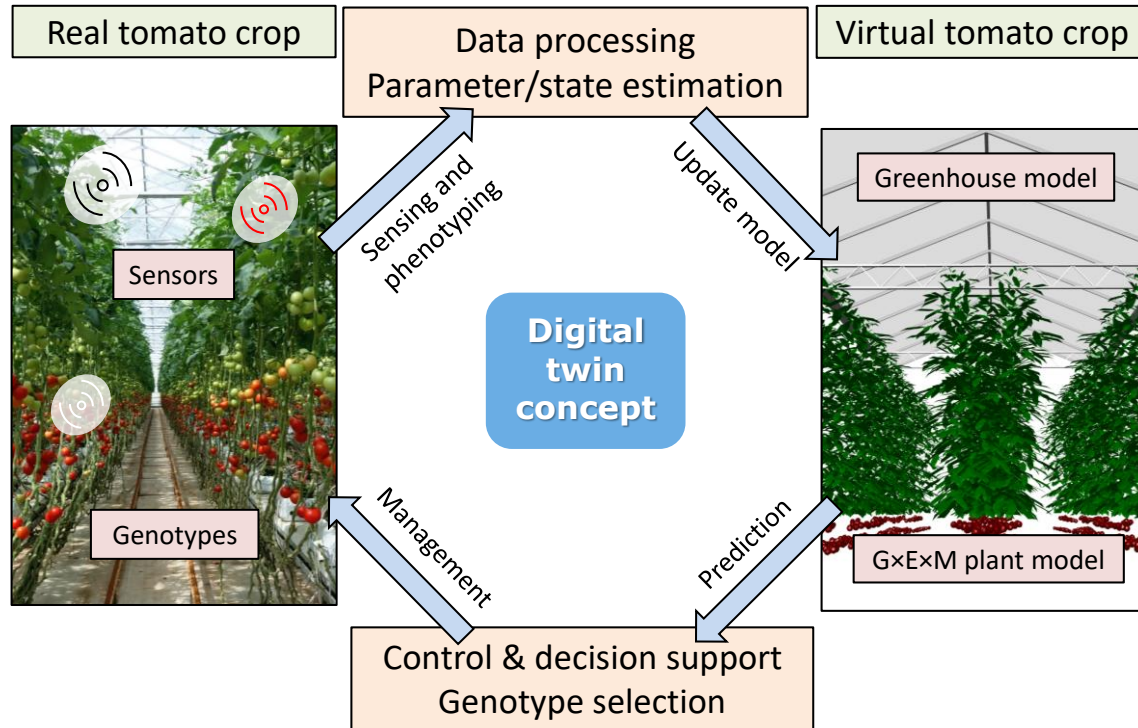
Zhang et al., 2022, Frontiers in PS

Digital twin with an FSP model

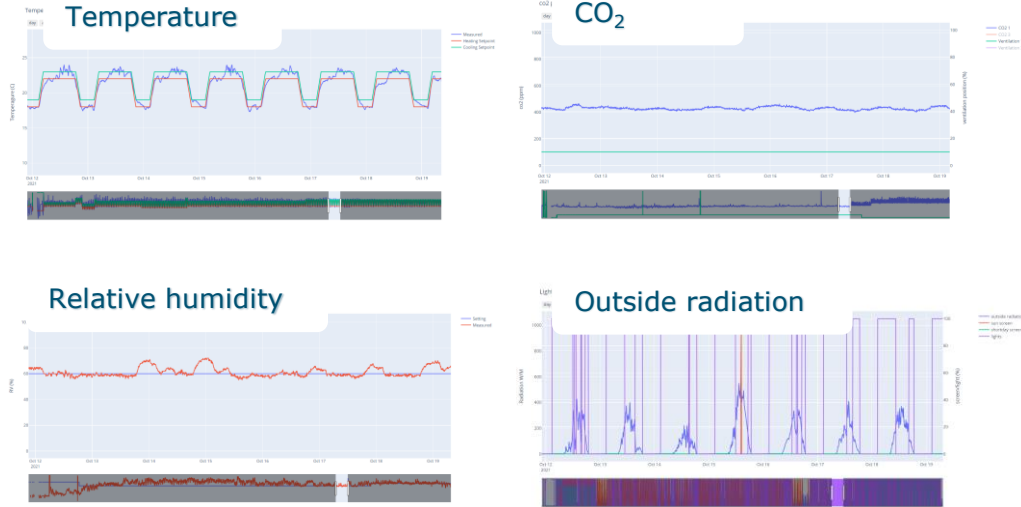
- Mirroring behaviour of a **real crop** – updated using (real-time) climate data and (high-throughput) phenotyping data
- Predict crop yield and resource use efficiency (light, water, nitrogen, energy)
- Decision support

“Traditional” data collection for FSP models





Evolving dataset for model updating



Graphs visualise one week of climate data



RGB side view images

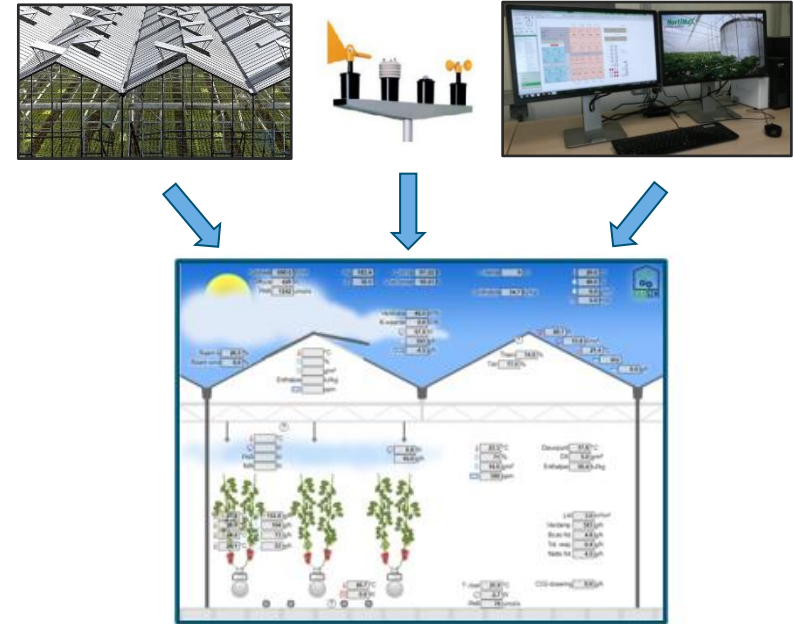
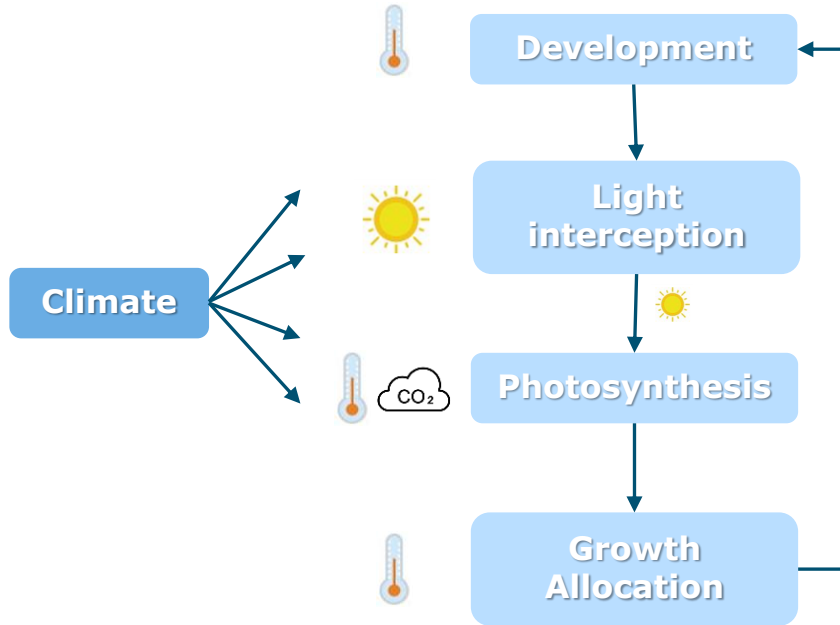


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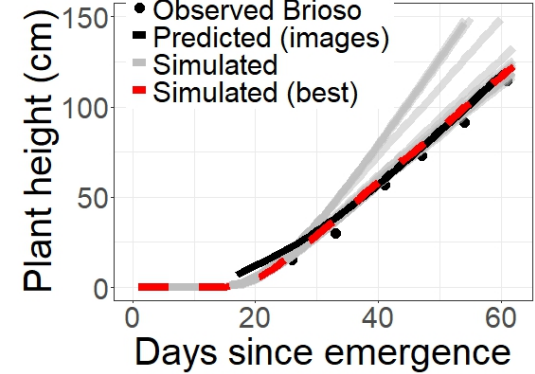
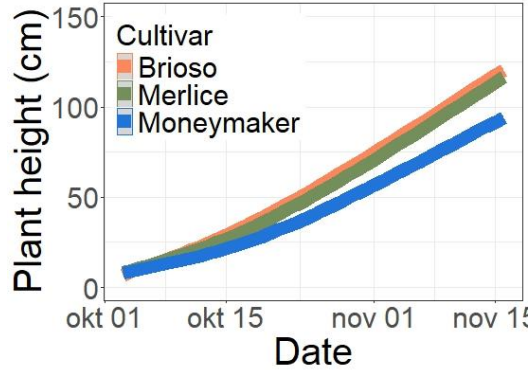
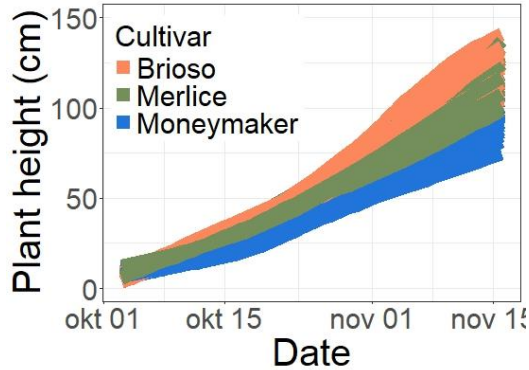
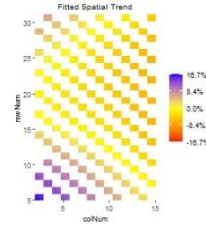


Climate model and plant model

Predicting indoor climate



Model updating pipeline (images)

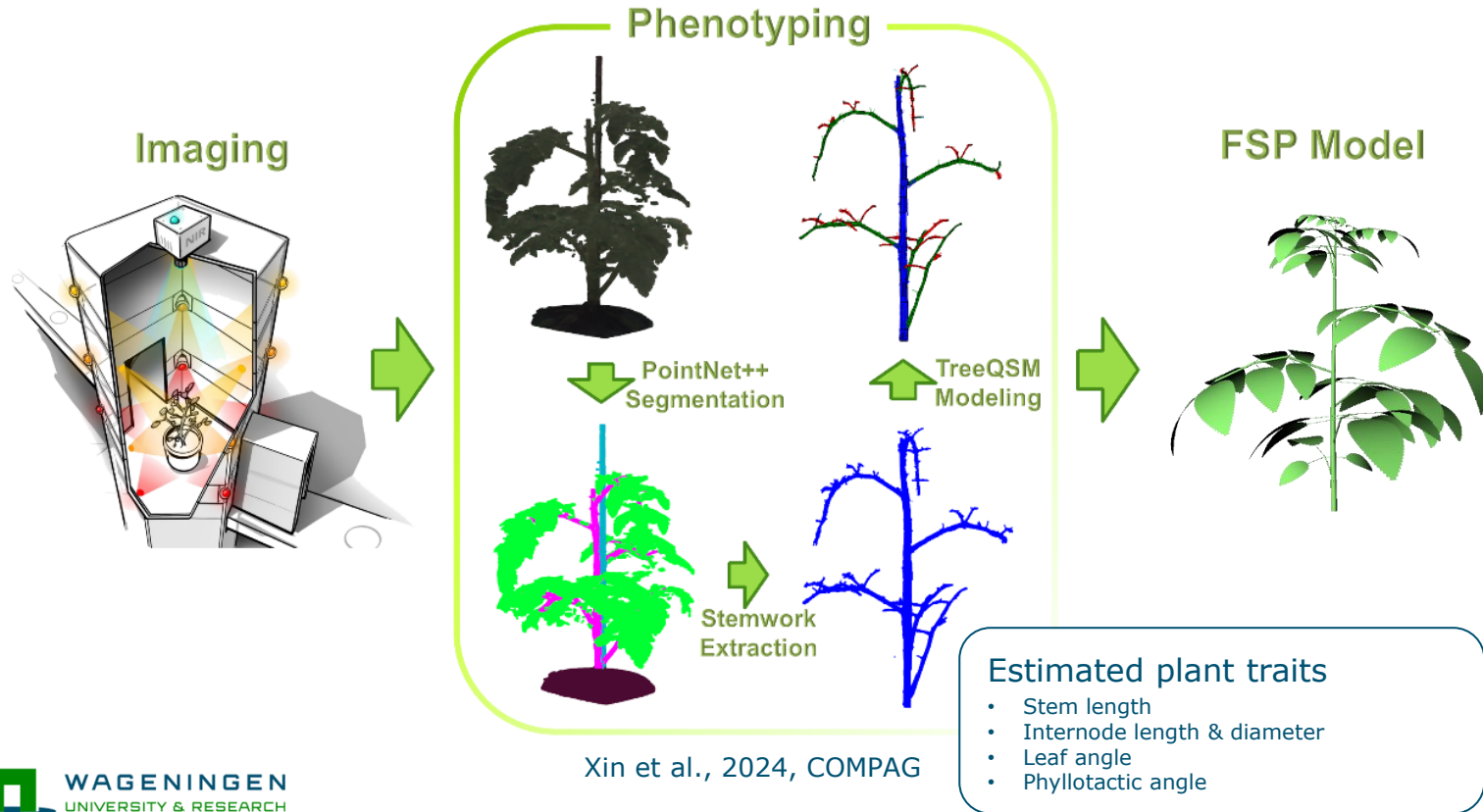


Plant height
extraction from
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Plant height
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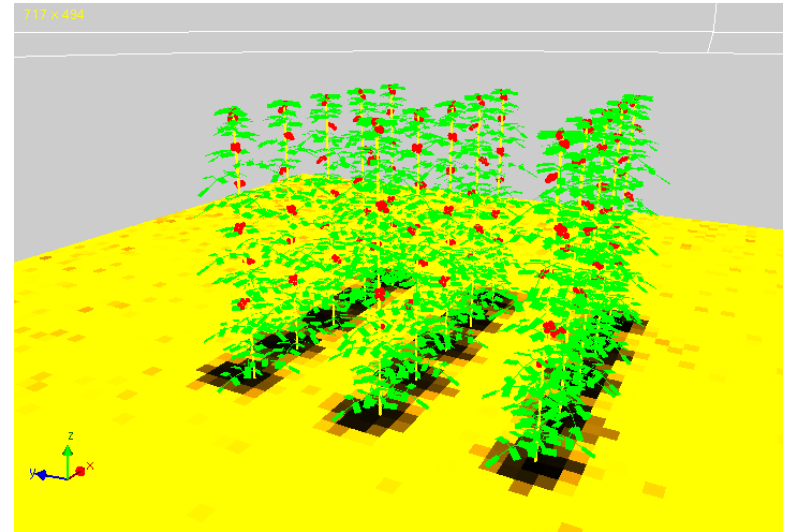
Model
optimisation

3D phenotyping pipeline



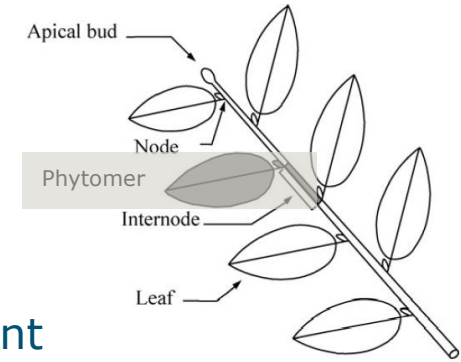
Hands-on examples

- Improving our simple tomato model
 - Organ extension modelling
 - Light modelling
 - Photosynthesis modelling
 - Plotting simulated outputs
- Running scenarios
 - Aim: increased production

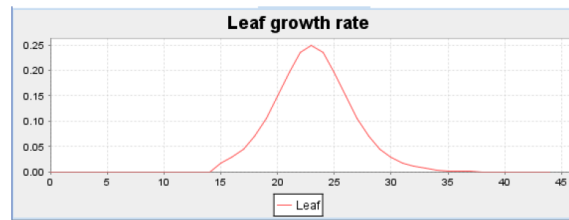
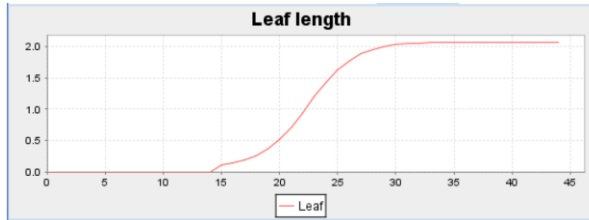


New concepts

- **Phyllochron** - time span between the appearance of new phytomers -> more precise timing of development
- **Organ extension** – gradual increase in size as a function of age; described e.g. by a logistic curve



(acc. Barthélémy & Caraglio, 2007)



$$\frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{kW_{\max}e^{(-k(t-t_m))}}{(e^{(-k(t-t_m))} + 1)^2}$$

Try yourself

- **Materials:** wiki.grogra.de > Workshops https://wiki.grogra.de/doku.php?id=workshops:summer_school_sh_25
- Simple tomato plant
 - > go through the added model steps (organ extension, light & photosynthesis)
 - > extended to a simple canopy
- Model scenarios
 - > modify model parameters of your choice
(planting density, leaf angle, internode length, etc.)
 - > which model settings lead to increased assimilate production?



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