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Global lake evaporation: patterns and trends

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Priestley-Taylor (PT) model

$$\beta = \frac{H}{\lambda E} \quad EF = \frac{\lambda E}{R_n}$$

$$R_n - G = H + \lambda E$$

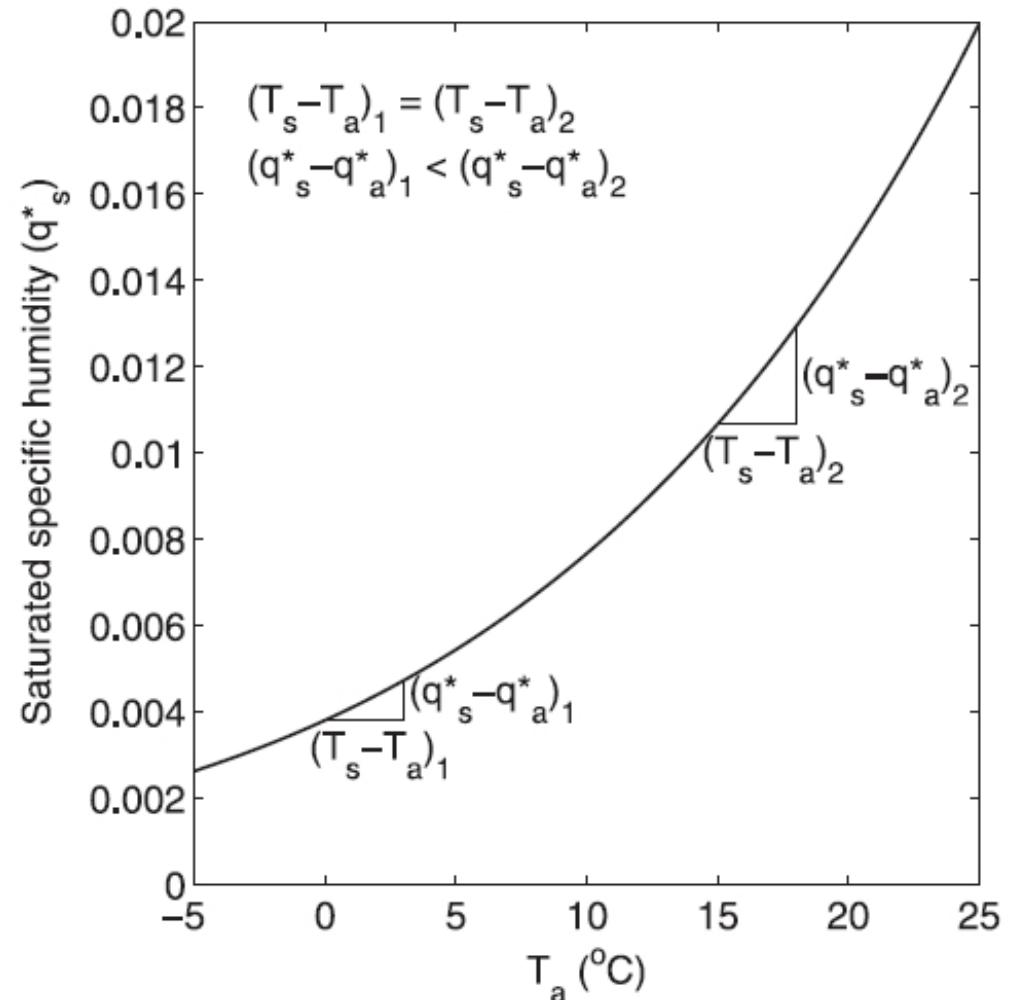
$$H = \rho_a c_p C_H u (T_s - T_a)$$

$$\lambda E = \rho_a \lambda C_E u (q_s^* - q_a)$$

$$\lambda E = \alpha \frac{\Delta}{\Delta + \gamma} (R_n - G)$$

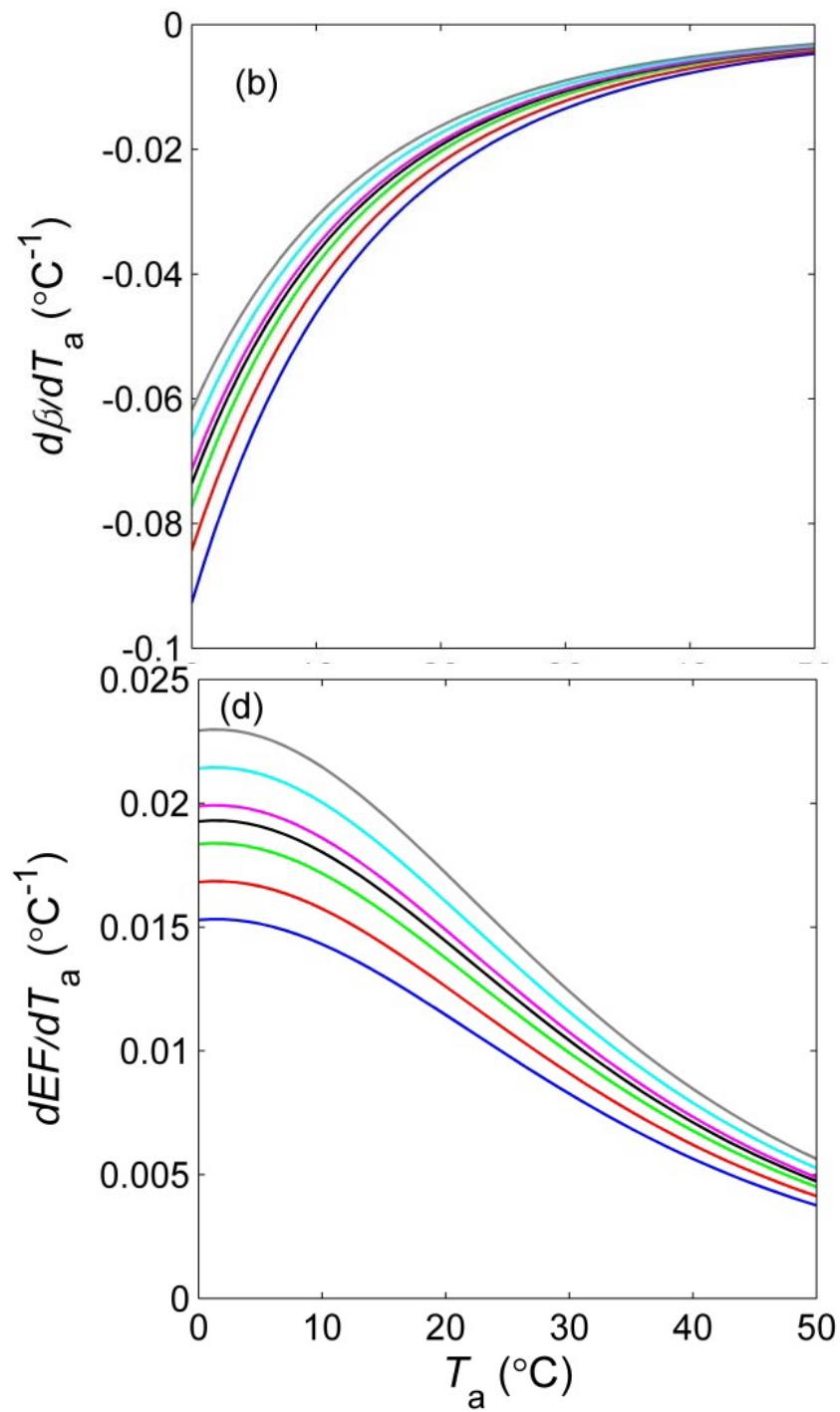
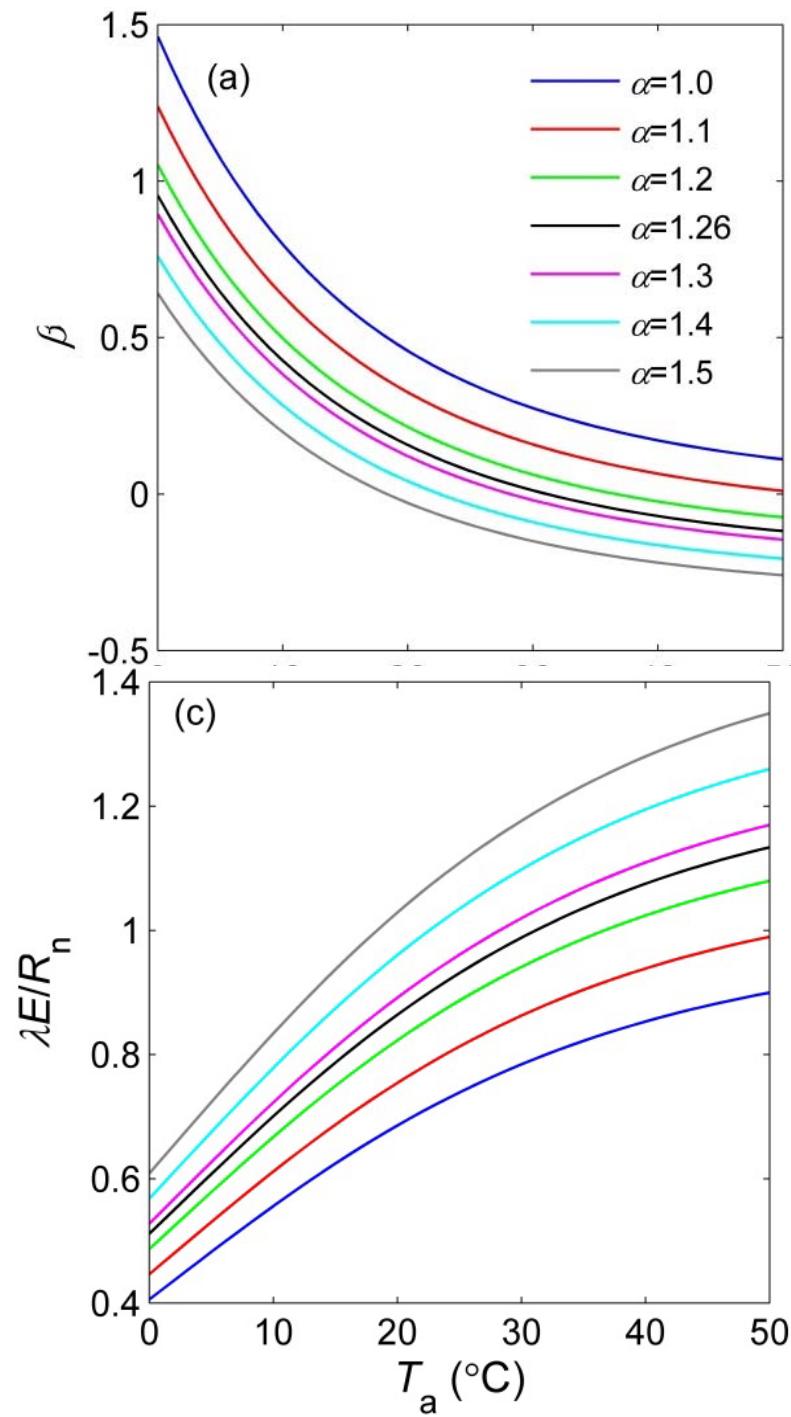
$$\beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\gamma}{\Delta} + \frac{1}{\alpha} - 1$$

$$EF = \frac{1}{1 + \beta}$$

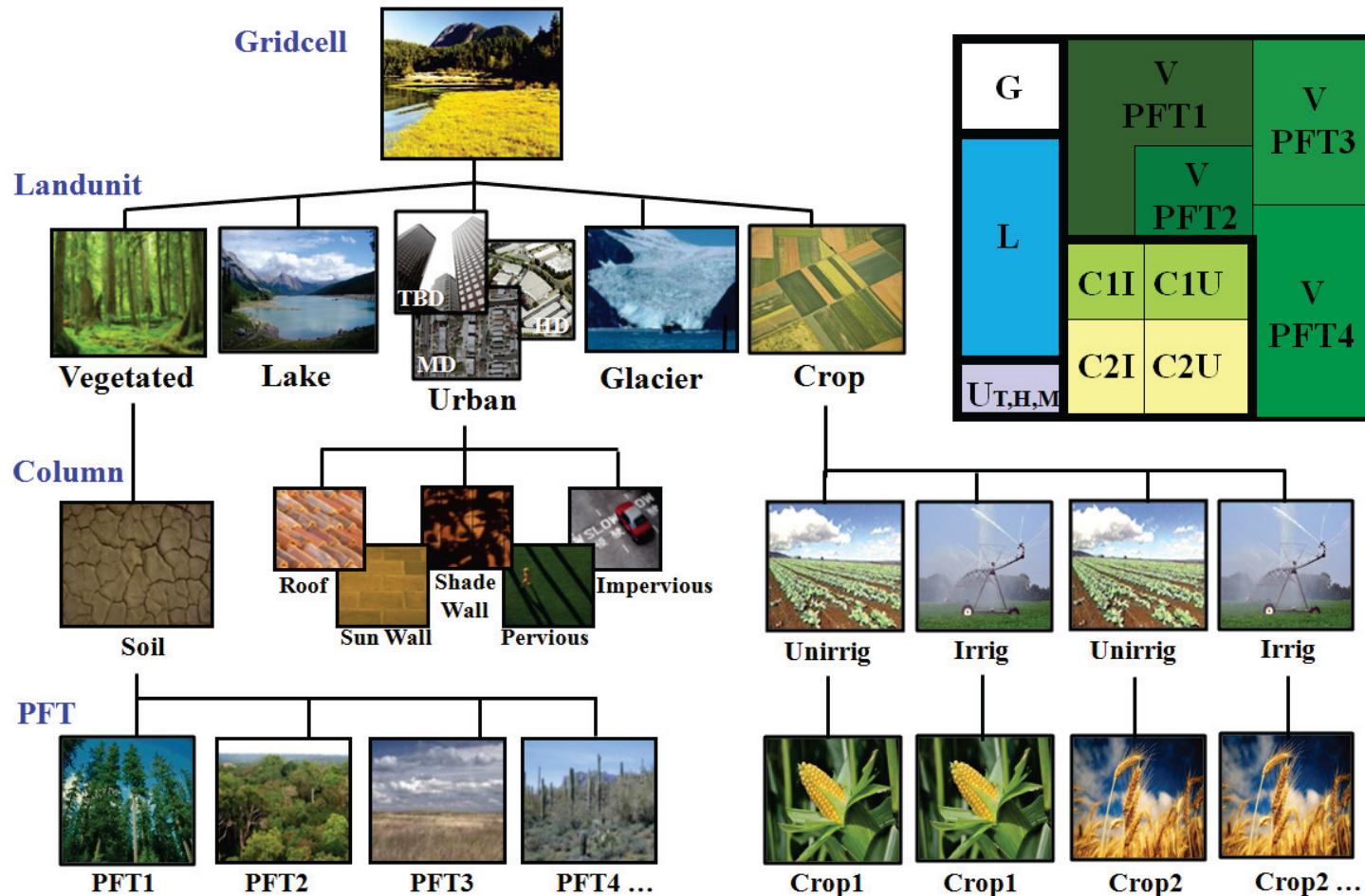


(Priestley and Taylor, 1972; Brutsaert, 1982; Garratt, 1992)

(Monteith, 1981)



Configuration of the CLM subgrid hierarchy



(Oleson et al., 2013)

Global Lake and Wetland Database

Global Lake Database version 2 used in CLM4.5-LISSS

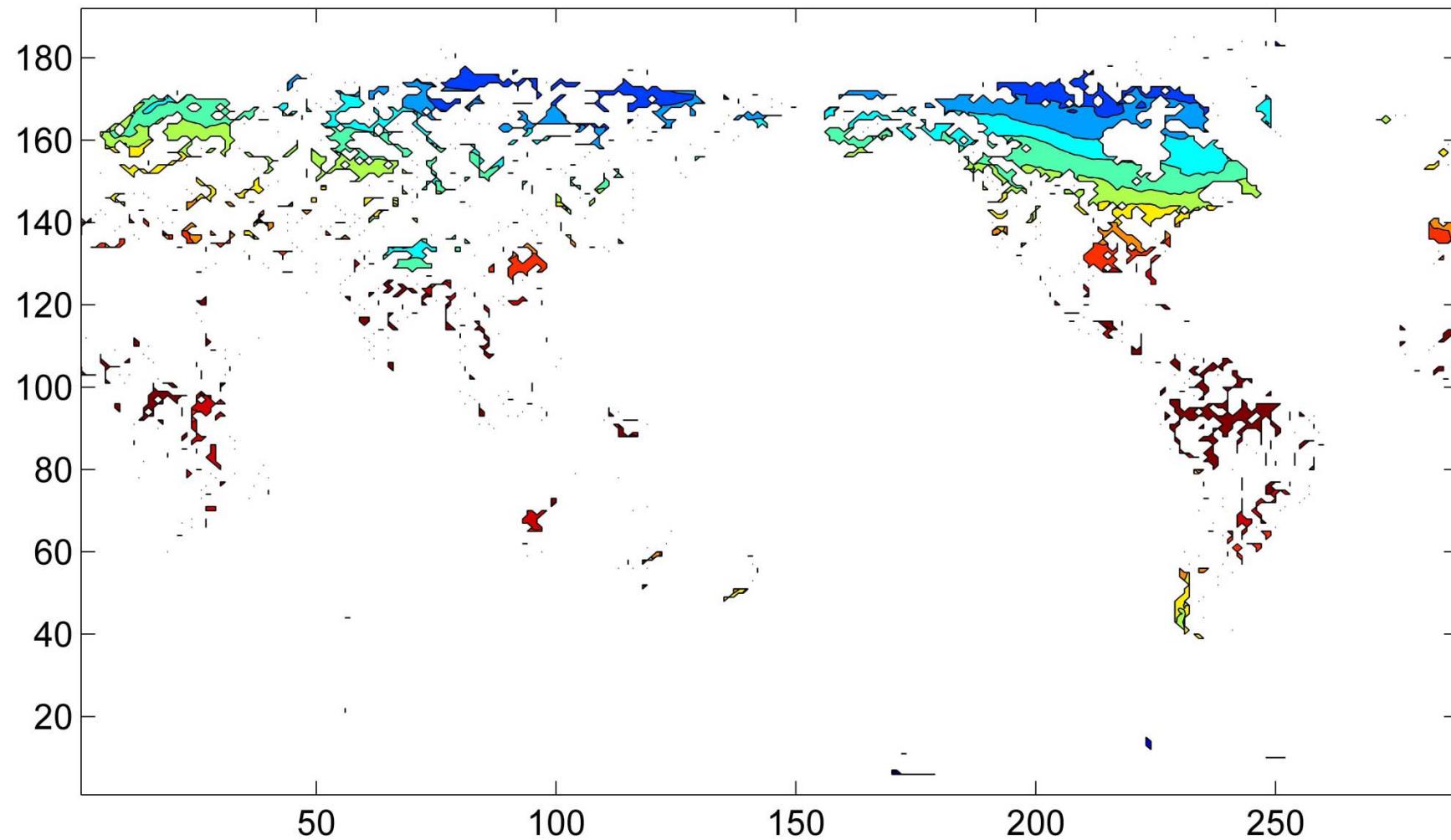
Lake type	Number	With depth	Fraction %	<5 m	<5 m fraction %	<10 m	<10 m fraction %
Freshwater	13155	8378	63.69	2247	26.82	6180	73.76
Saline	221	144	65.16	100	69.44	118	81.94
All	13376	8522	63.71	2347	27.54	6298	73.90

Global lake coverage: 2.3 million km².

20-year (1991-2010) simulation was conducted using CLM4.5-LISSS by Zachary Subin on monthly scale.

*(Lehner and Doll, 2004;
Kourzeneva et al., 2009, 2010, 2012)*

Global lake distribution



Surface flux solution in CLM4.5-LISSS

$$\beta \vec{S}_g - \vec{L}_g - H_g - \lambda E_g - G = 0$$

$$H_g = -\rho_{atm} C_p \frac{(\theta_{atm} - T_g)}{r_{ah}}$$

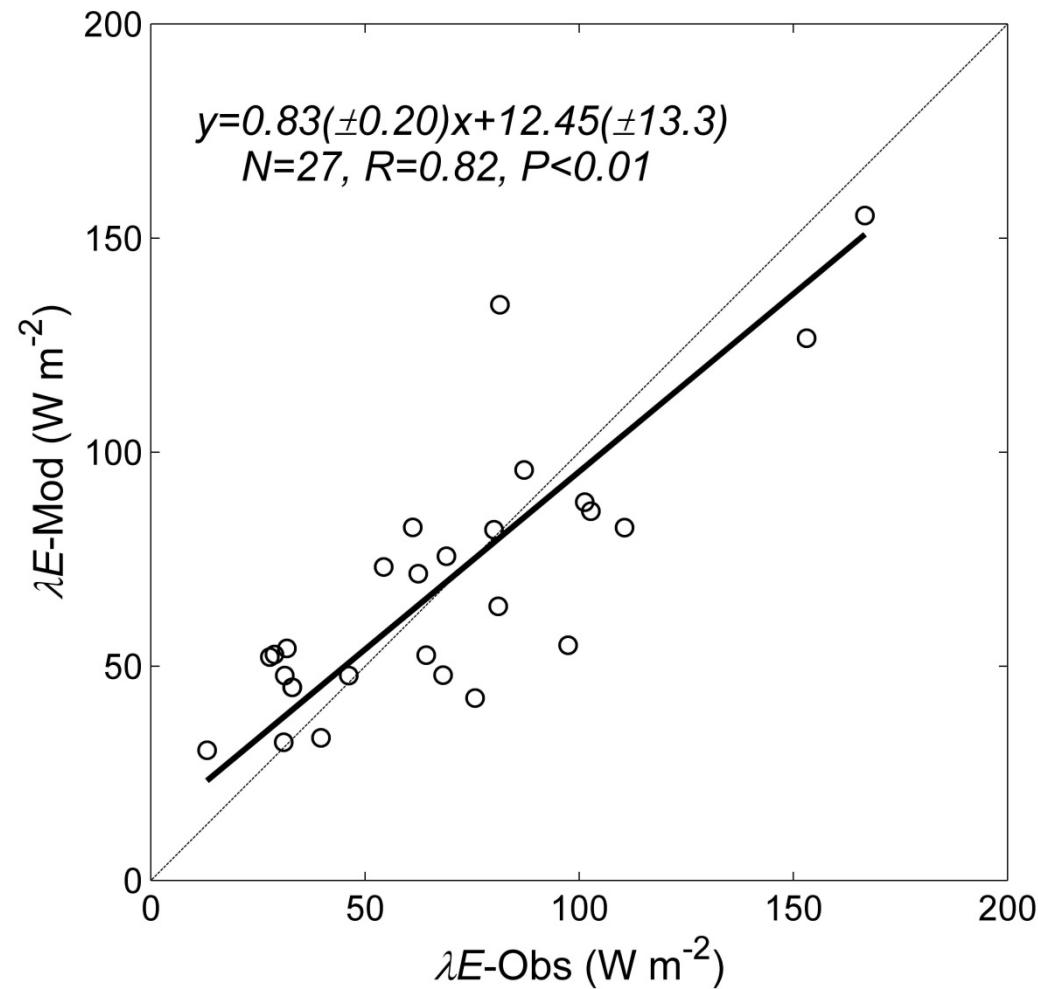
$$E_g = -\frac{\rho_{atm} (q_{atm} - q_{sat}^{T_g})}{r_{aw}}$$

(Oleson *et al.*, 2013)

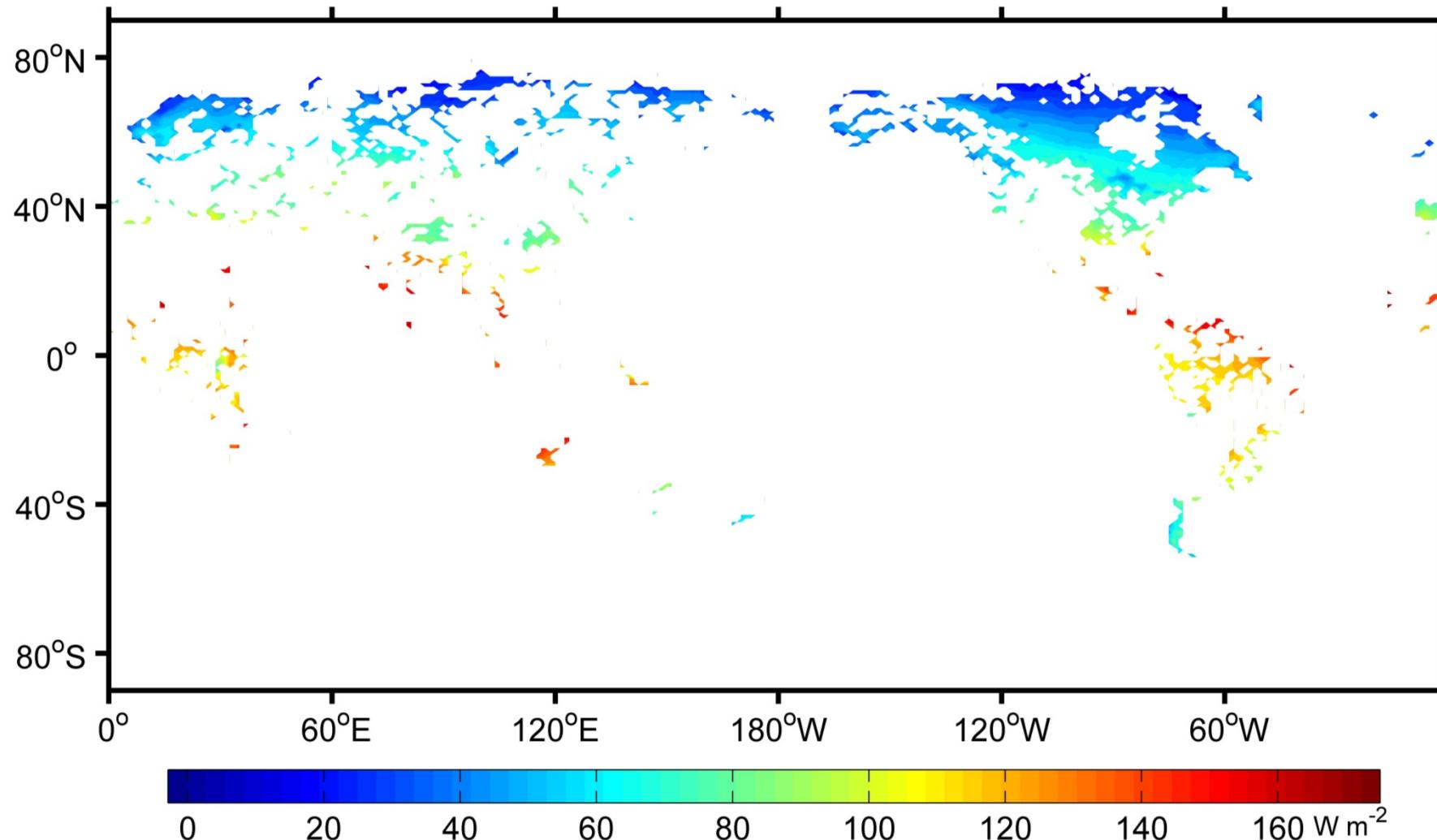
Objective

- To investigate the temporal and spatial variations of global lake evaporation;
- To identify the main controls of variations in lake evaporation.

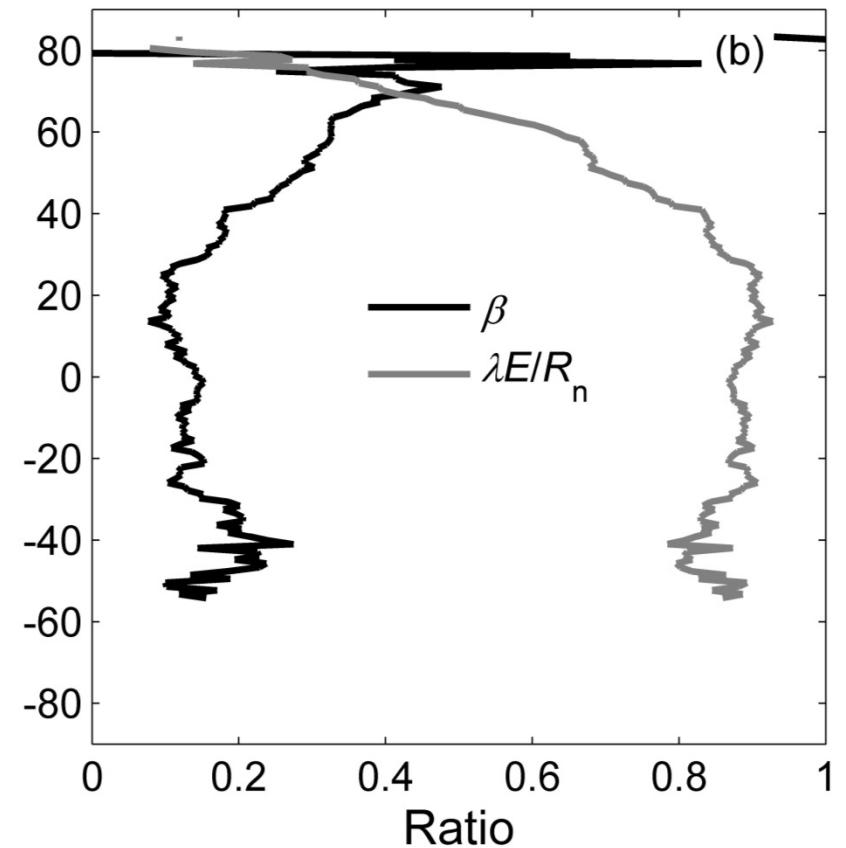
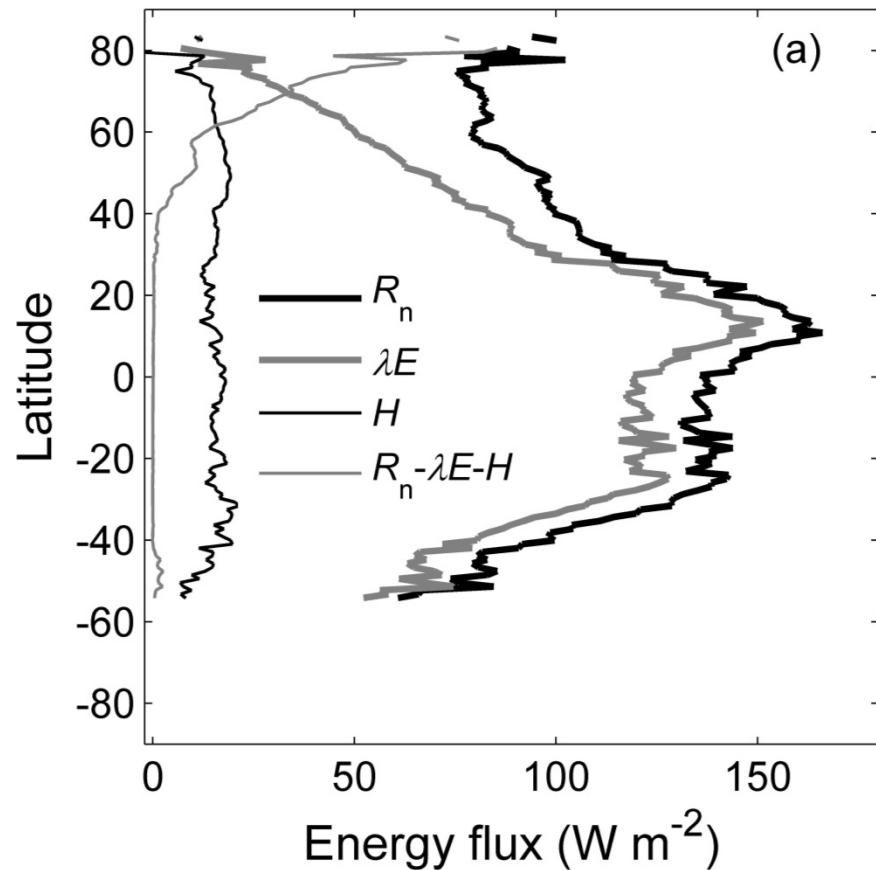
Validation of evaporation simulation by CLM4.5-LISSS



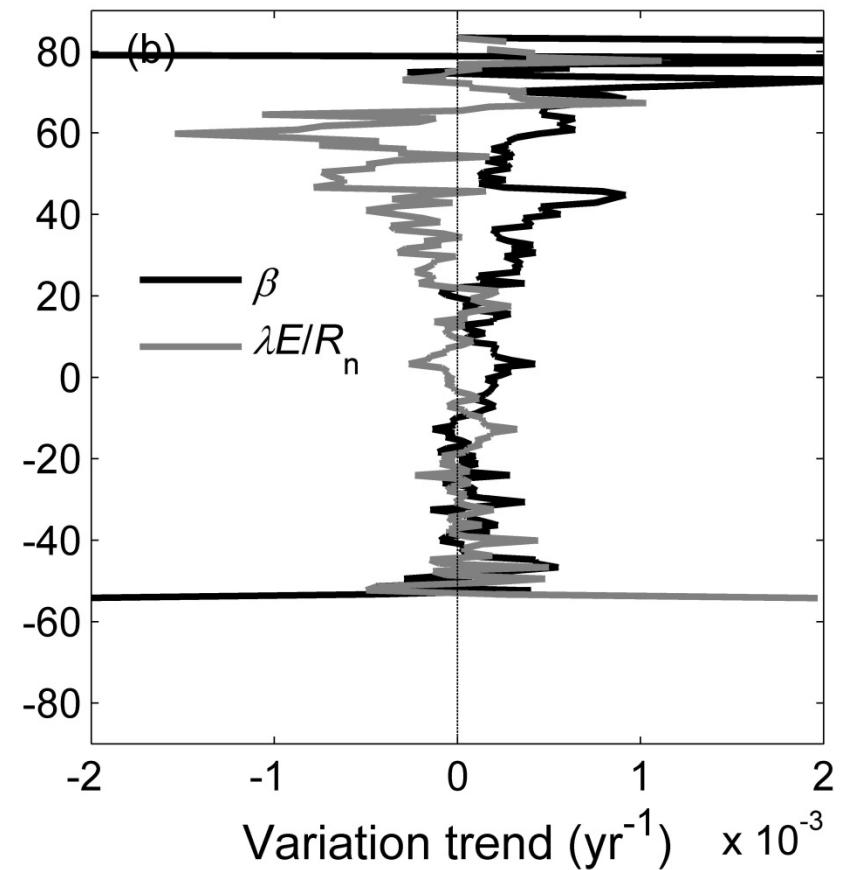
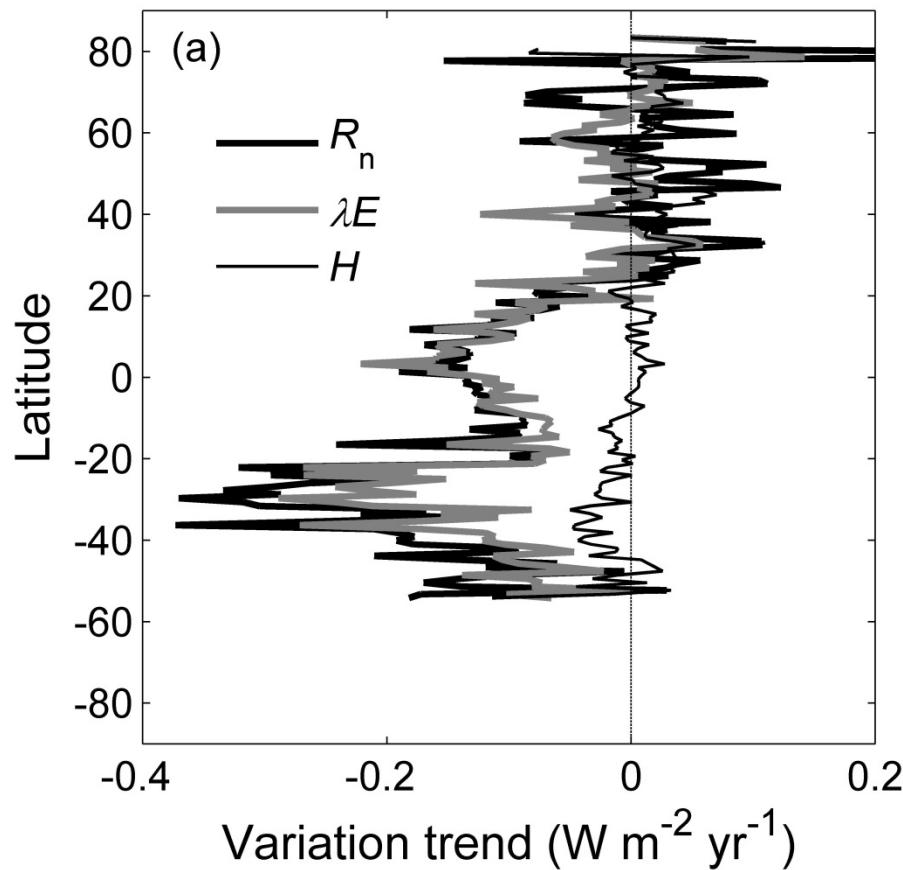
1991-2010 annual mean evaporation



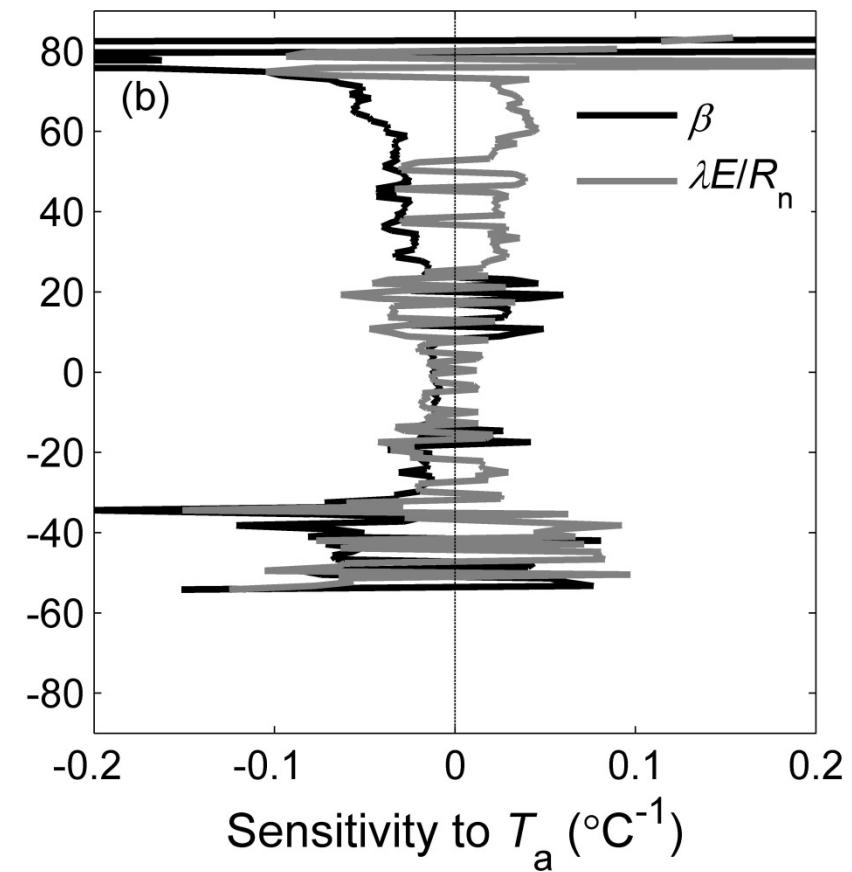
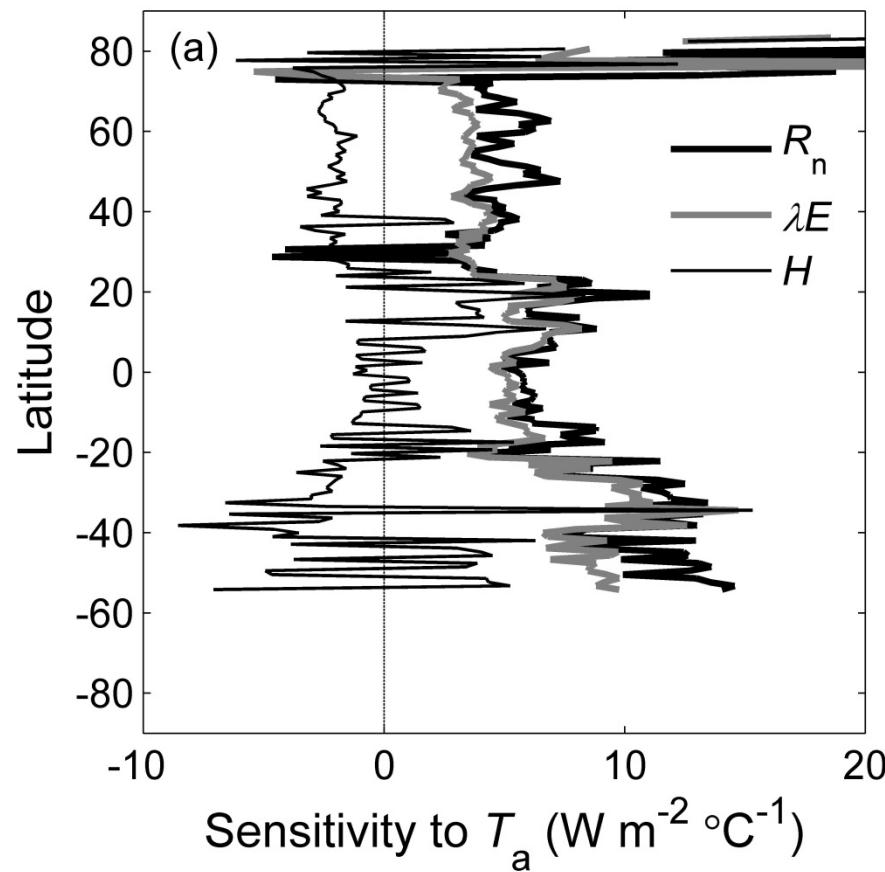
Zonal average of energy fluxes and Bowen ratio/evaporation fraction



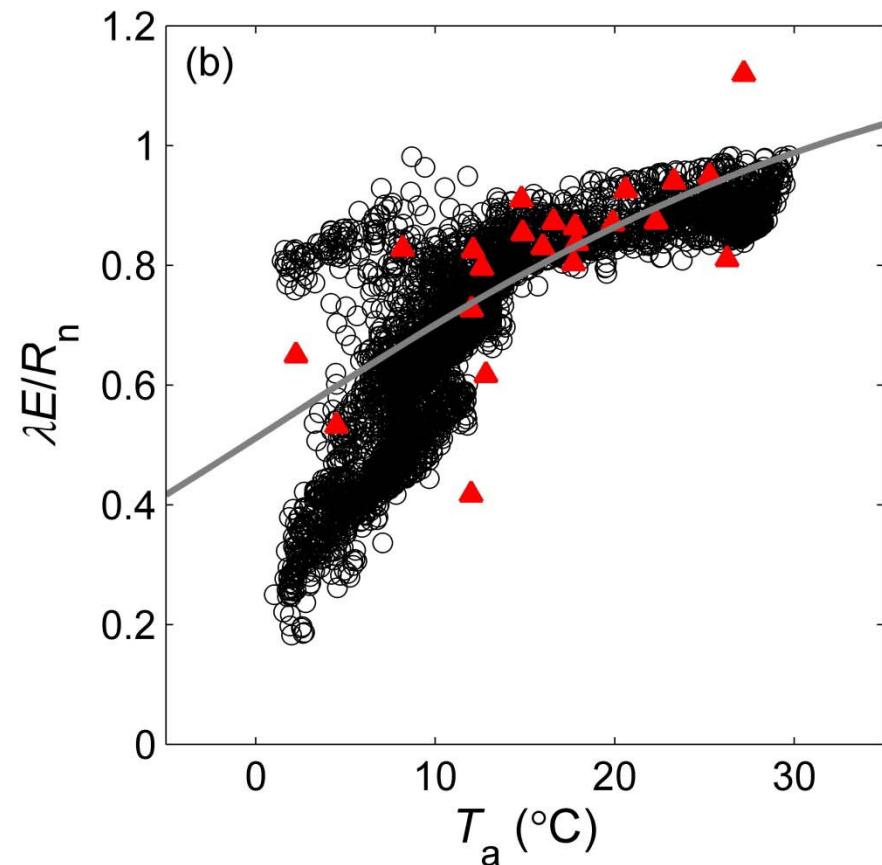
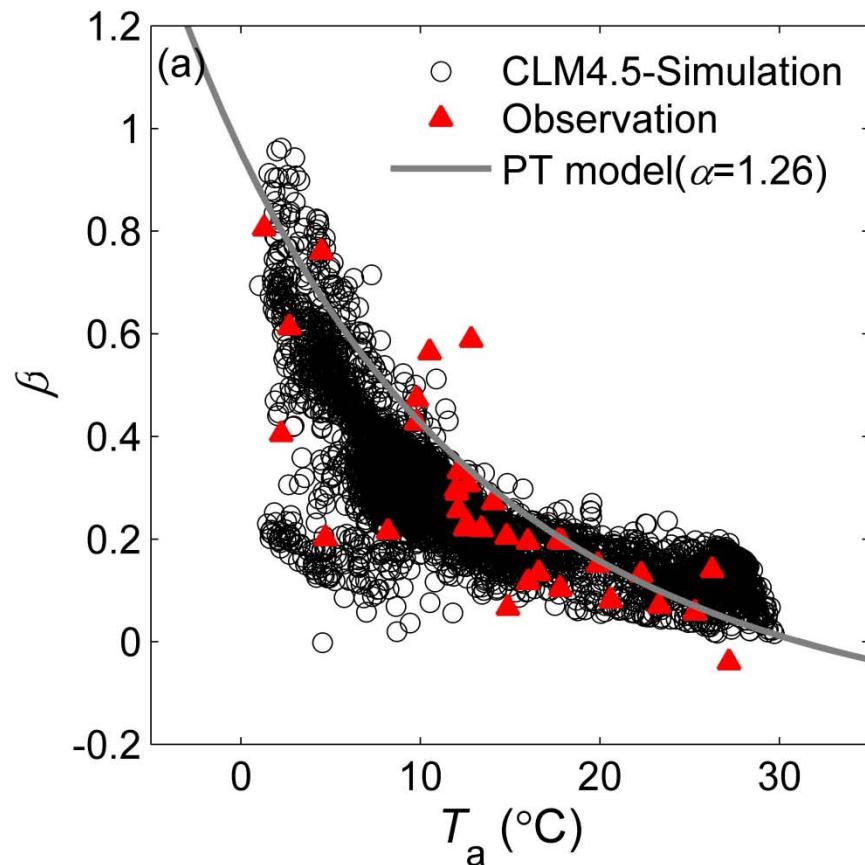
Variation trends of energy fluxes and Bowen ratio/evaporation fraction from 1991 to 2010



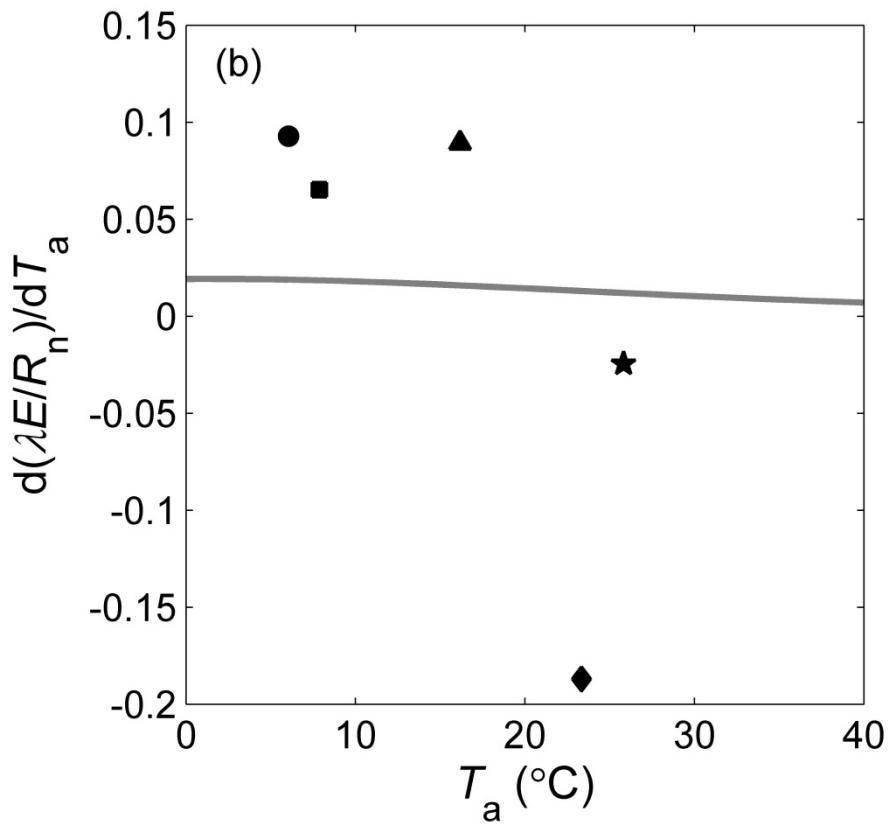
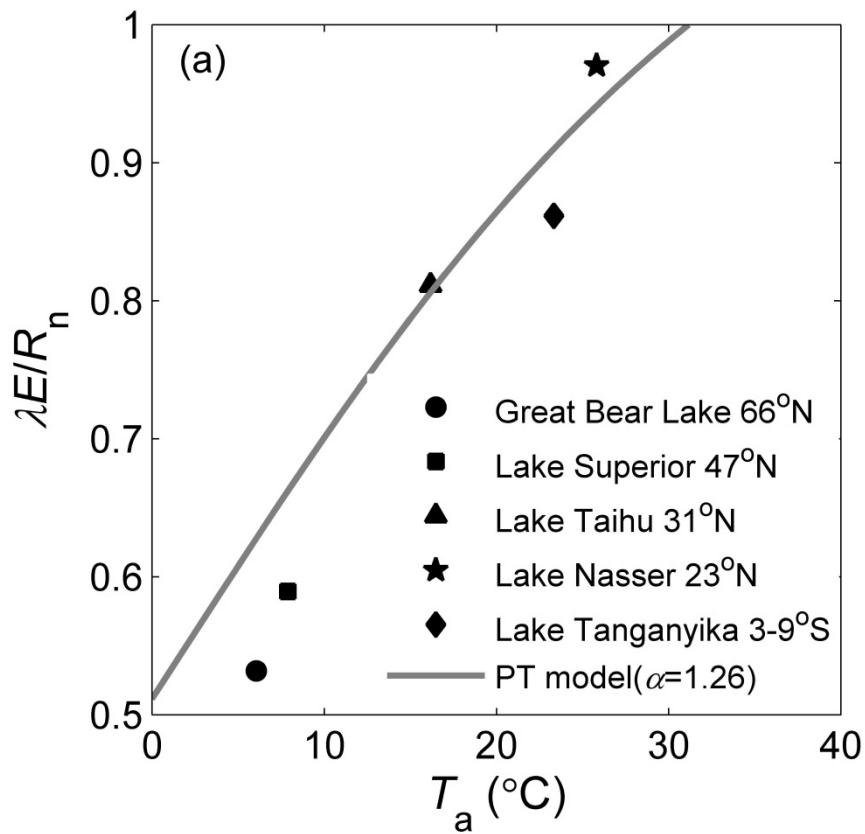
Zonal temperature sensitivity of energy fluxes and Bowen ratio /evaporation fraction



Bowen ratio/evaporation fraction varying with air temperature



Selected lakes



Global mean

