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CARAT

CARbon Agroforestry Tool

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CARAT: a tool for quantifying above and belowground carbon sequestration in AFS



Field-specific

Spatially explicit

Evolution $f(\text{time})$

Simulation & optimisation

Credits and Disclaimer

Field Timeseries Raster output Summarizing table

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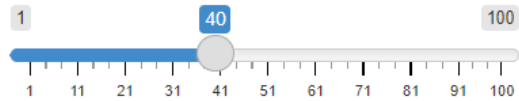
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Step 1: field selection

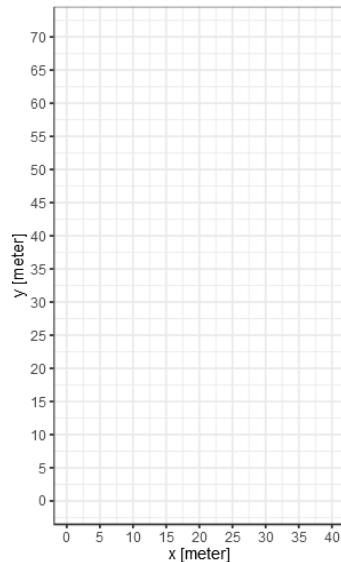
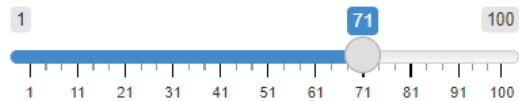
Define rectangular field

Give the size of the field

Horizontal distance [m]:

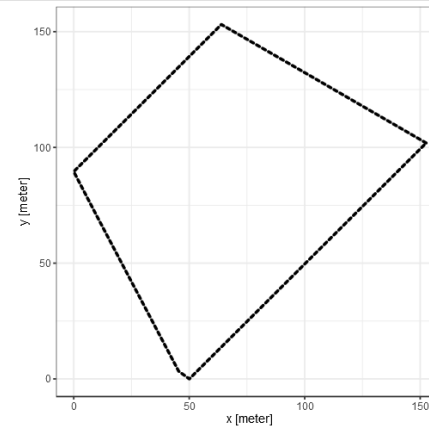
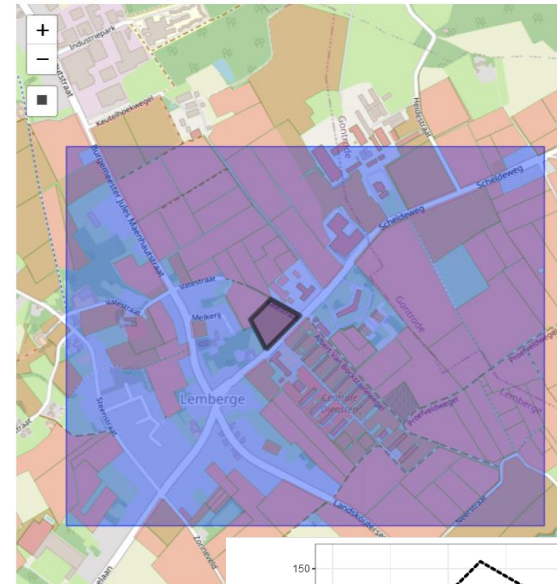


Vertical distance [m]:



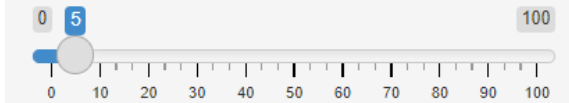
Select existing field

2) Click on the field that you wish to use in the simulations

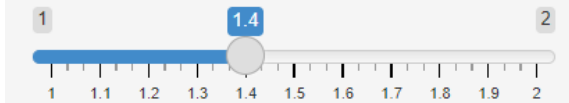


Field characteristics

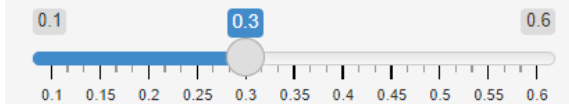
Clay percentage [%]:



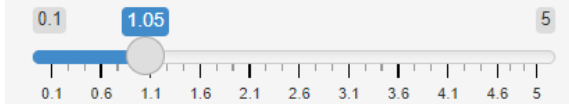
Bulk density [g/cm³]:



Depth of plow layer [m]:



Initial SOC [%]:



Rotation

Arable land

Run model

Step 2: agroforestry design



2) Select tree species

Acer pseudoplatanus

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Alnus glutinosa

Aesculus hippocastanum

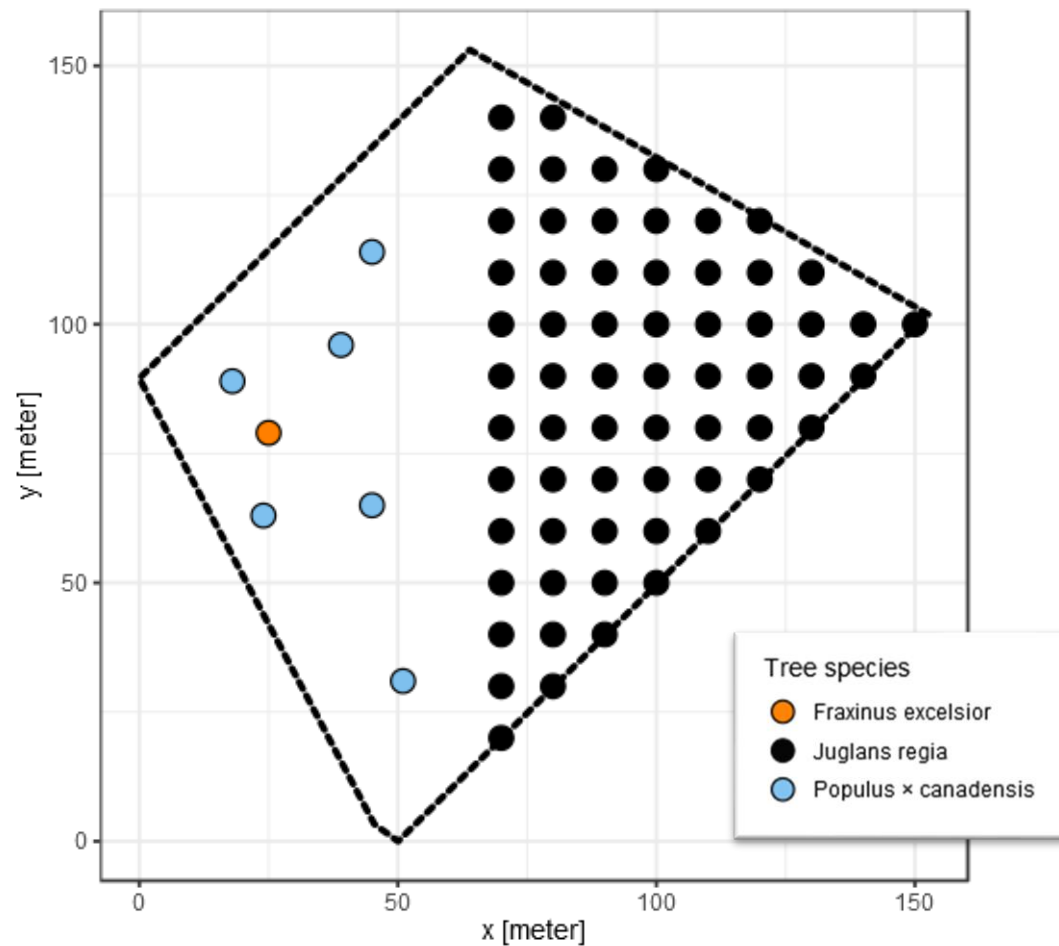
Corylus avellana

Fraxinus excelsior

Juglans regia

Malus domestica

Populus x canadensis



3) Place trees by clicking or creating a grid

Click in the plot area to place trees of this species, or specify spacing between the trees when planted in a grid

Vertical distance between trees [m]:

Horizontal distance between trees [m]:

4) If necessary, remove trees

Clicking will:

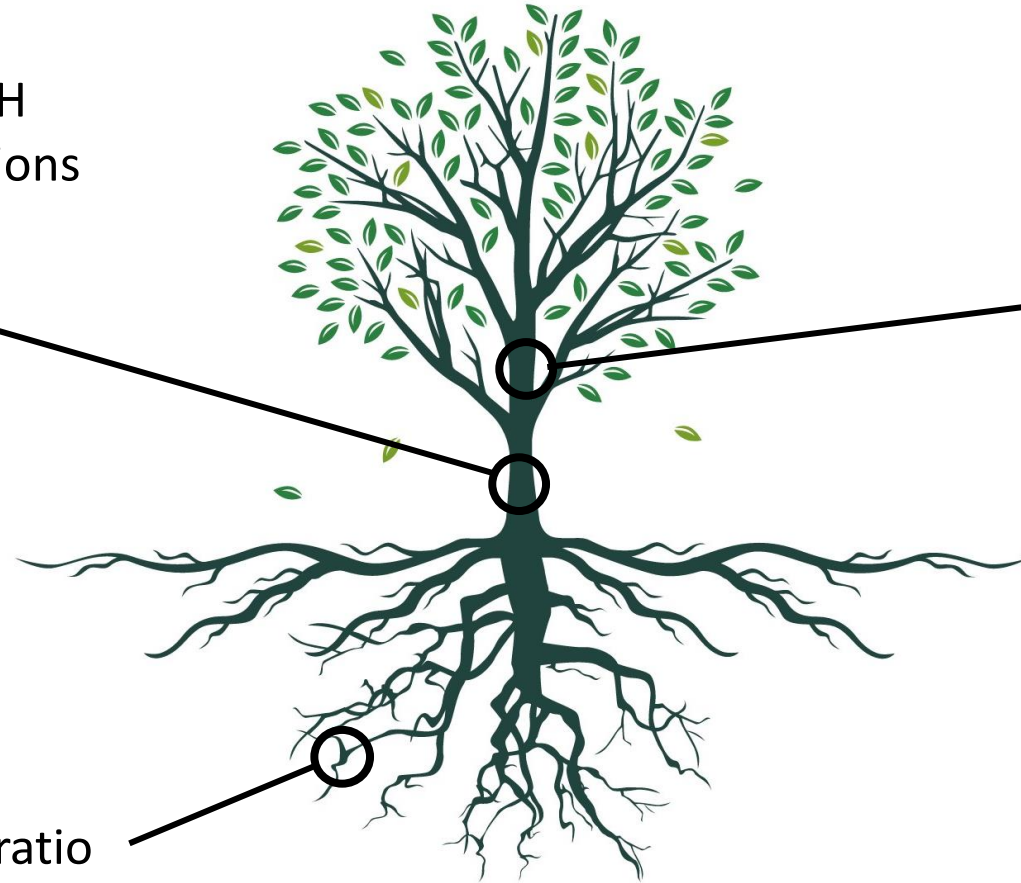
- Add trees
- Remove individual trees
- Remove trees per species

Step 3: simulation of tree growth & biomass



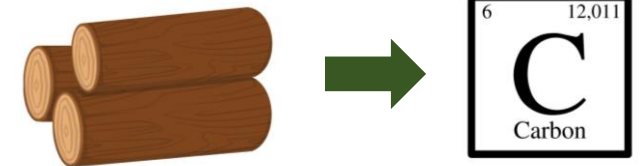
AF & tree species specific DBH evolution & allometric equations

$$DBH = \frac{a}{e^{b-ct}}$$



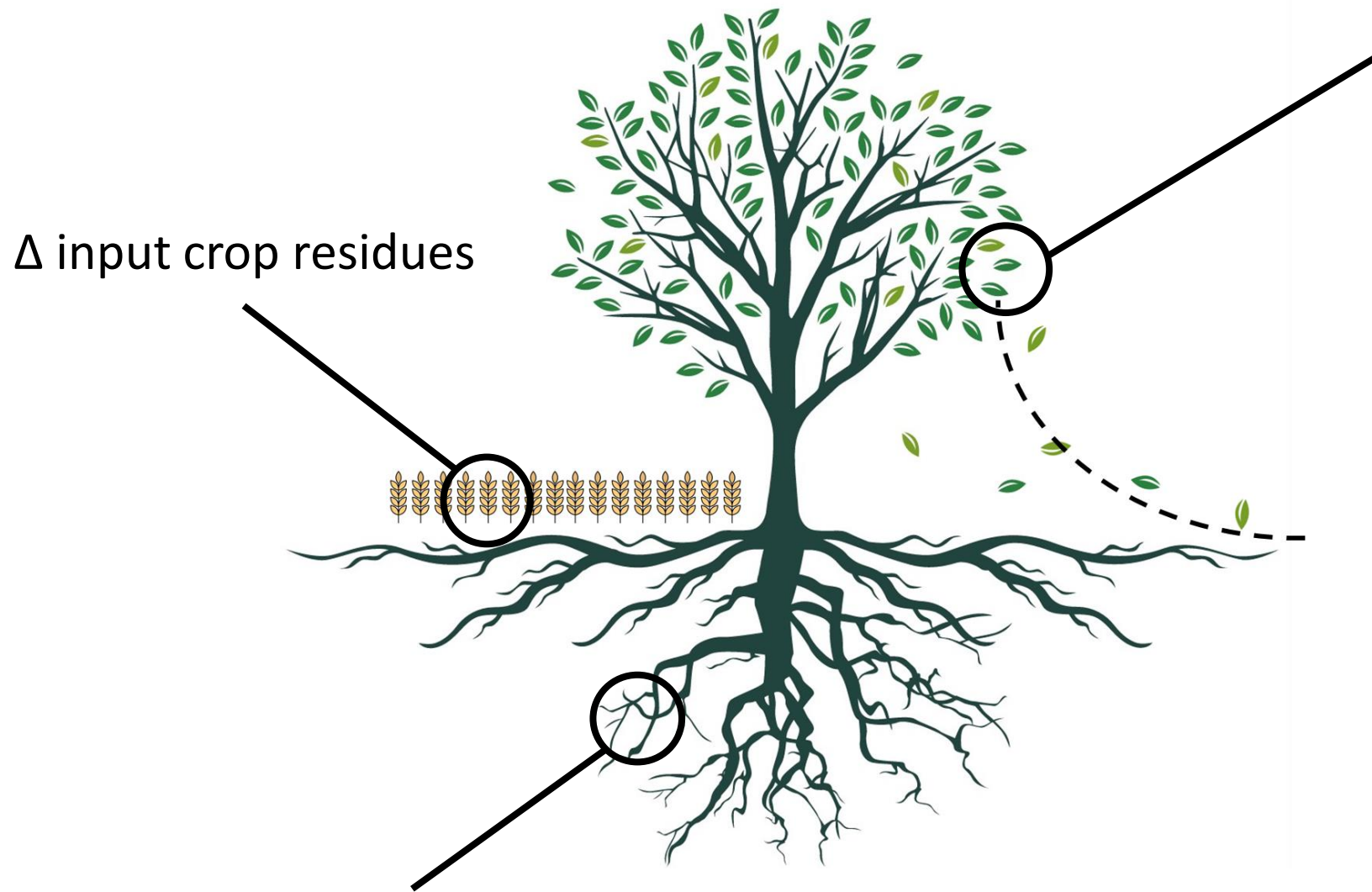
Tree species specific wood density

Root-to-shoot ratio assumed 0.26



conversion factor 47%

Step 4: simulation of soil organic carbon



Tree leaf litter:

- Exp. decreasing

$$LF_{ij} = \frac{\alpha_j \gamma_j^2}{2\pi} \sum_k DBH_{jk}^{\beta_j} \exp(-\gamma_j d_{ijk})$$

Ferrari and Sugita (1996)

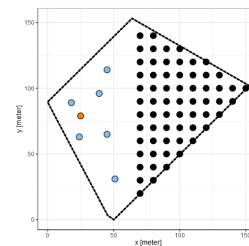
- Tree species specific

α, β and γ determined for each tree species based on Ishihara & Hiura (2011)

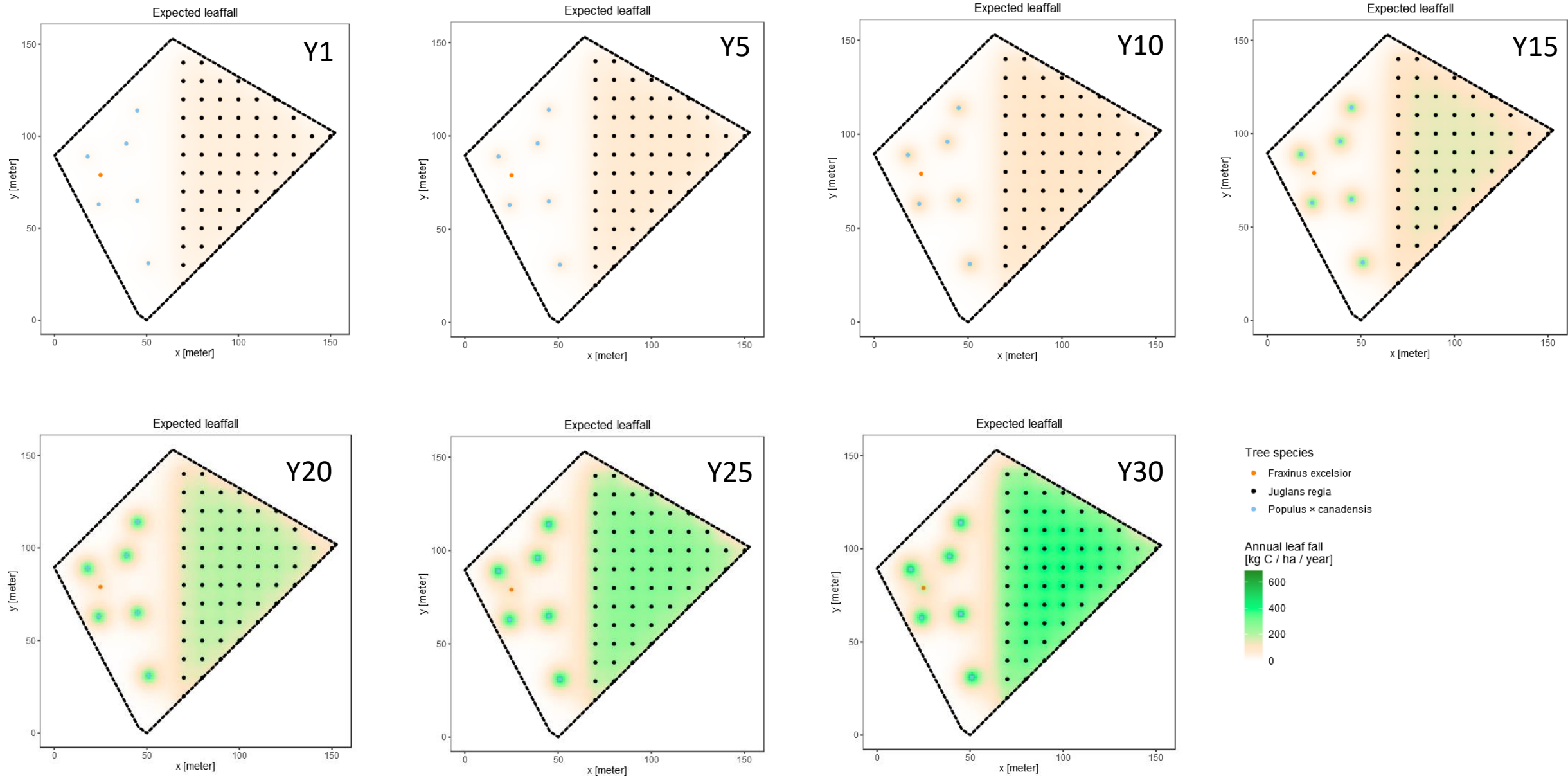
Species specific DBH curve

- Calculated for each tree

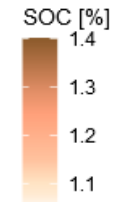
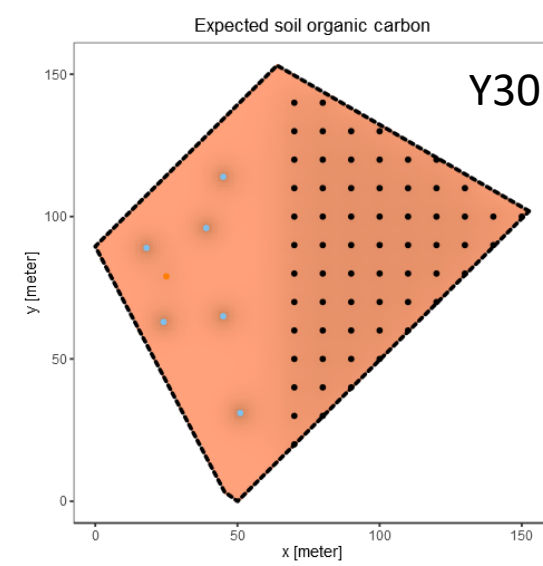
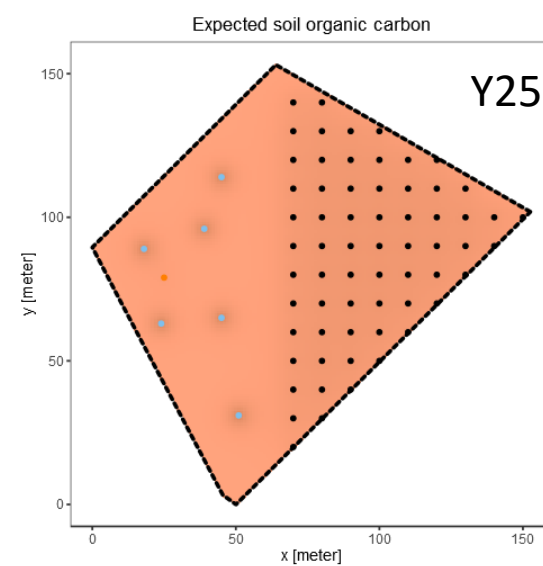
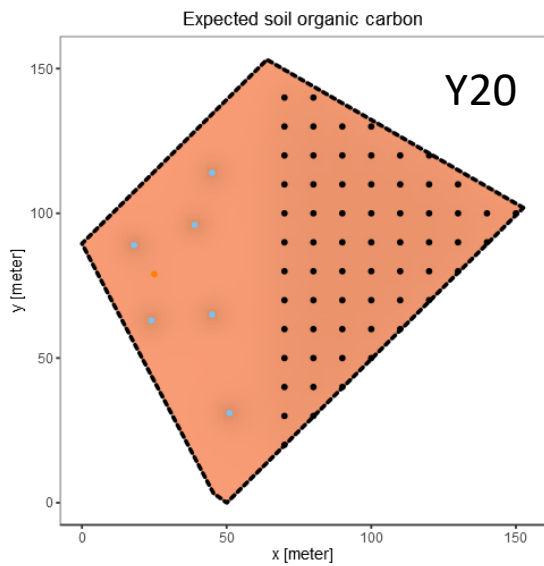
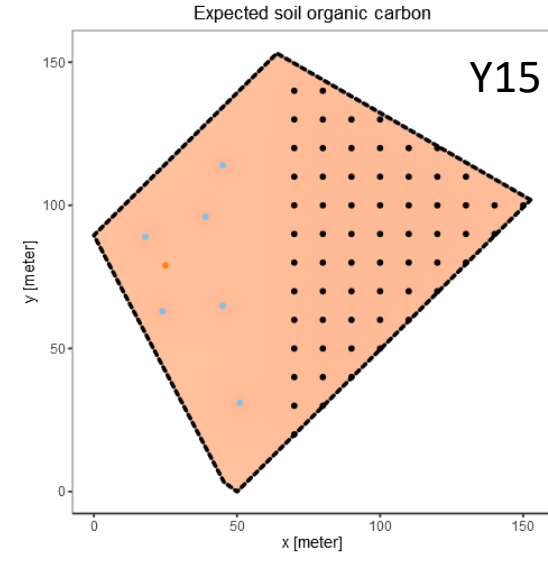
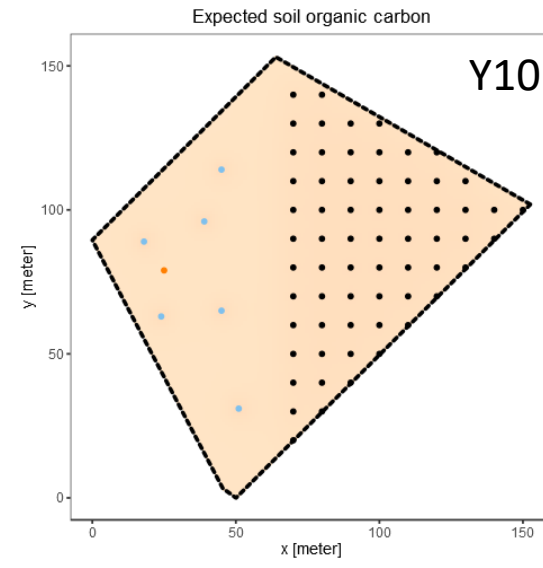
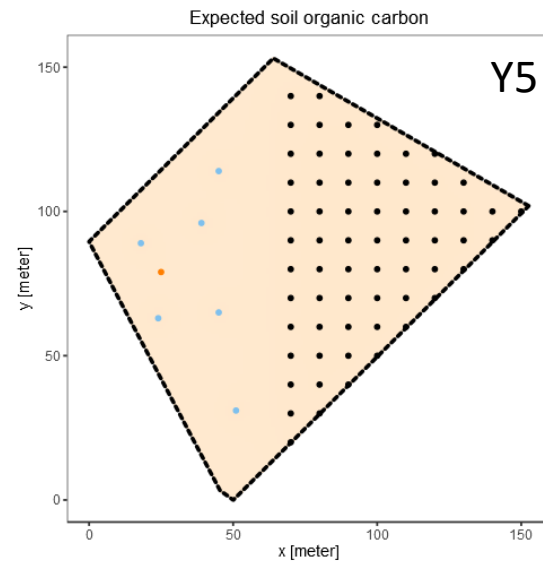
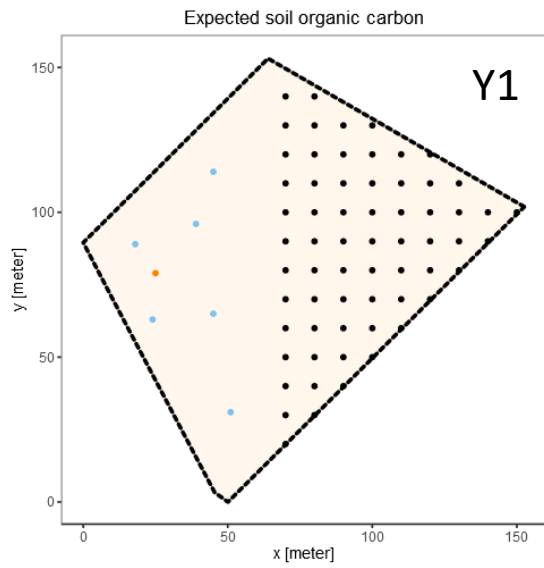
- RothC



Output: Leaf litterfall distribution



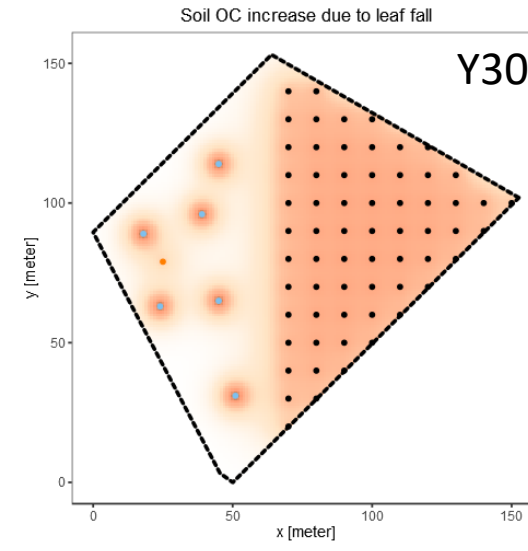
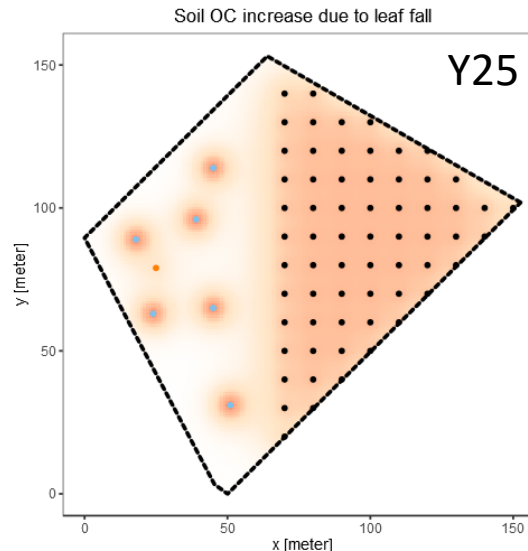
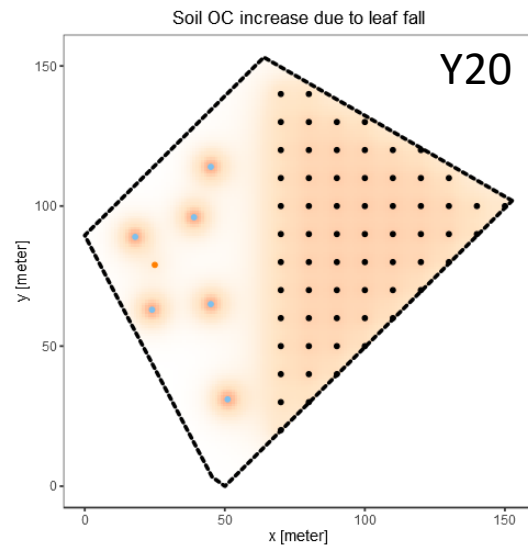
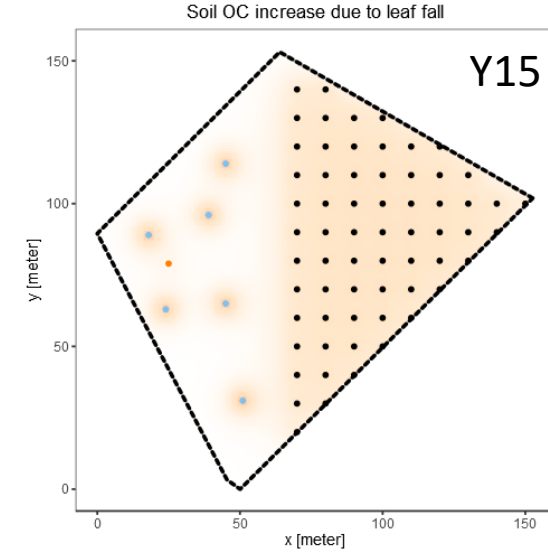
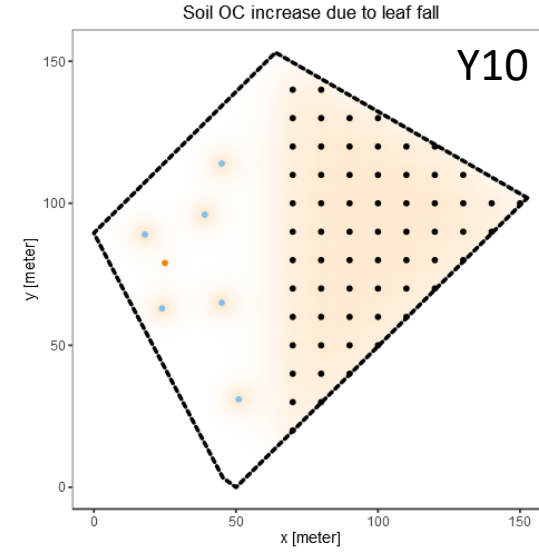
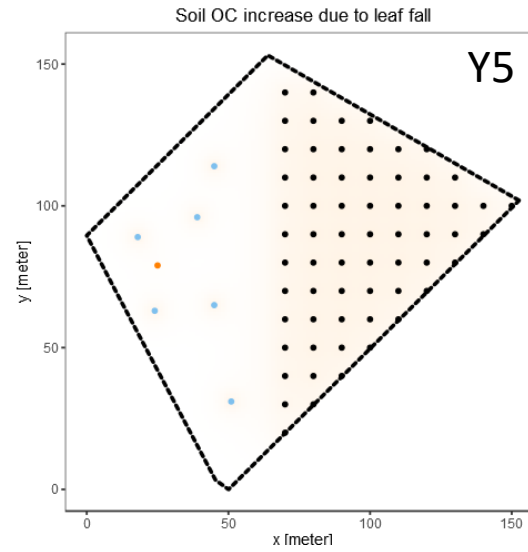
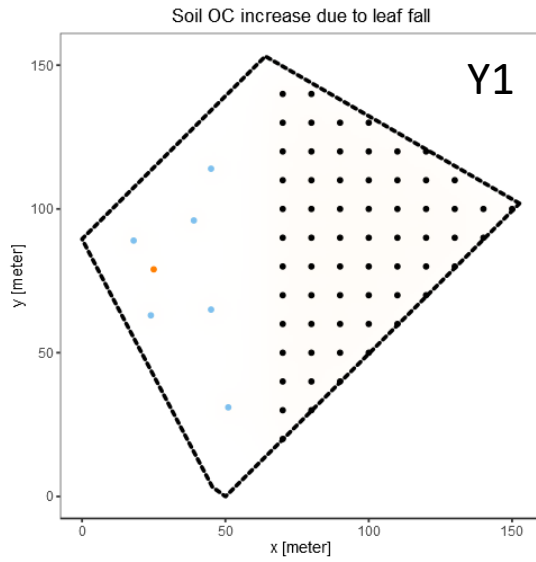
Output: SOC



Tree species

- Fraxinus excelsior
- Juglans regia
- Populus x canadensis

Output SOC: increase due to leaf litterfall



Tree species

- *Fraxinus excelsior*
- *Juglans regia*
- *Populus × canadensis*

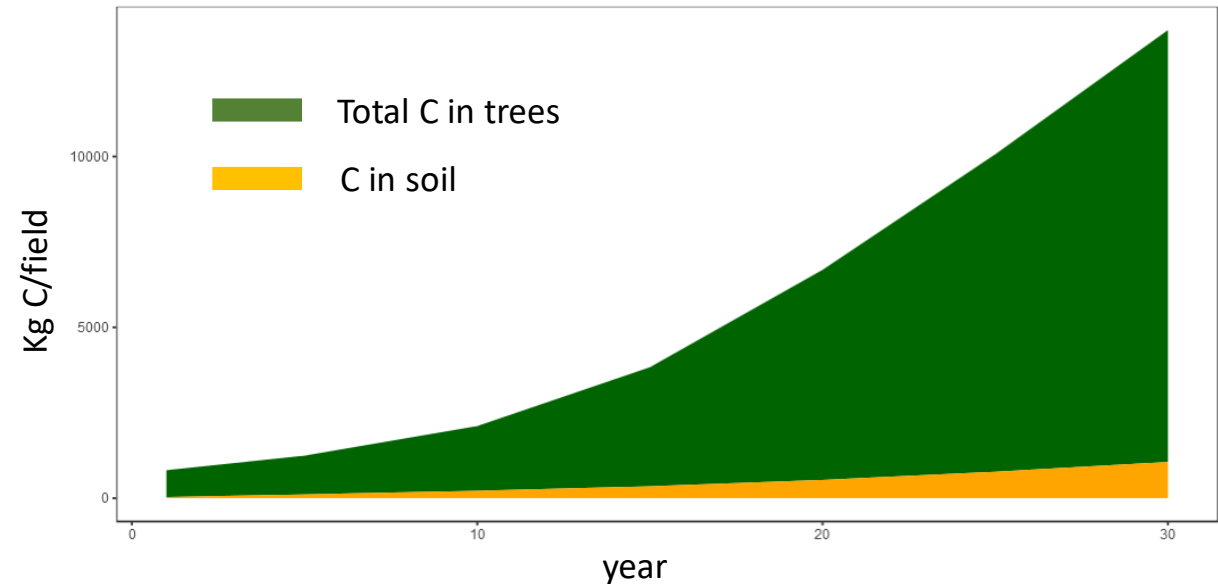
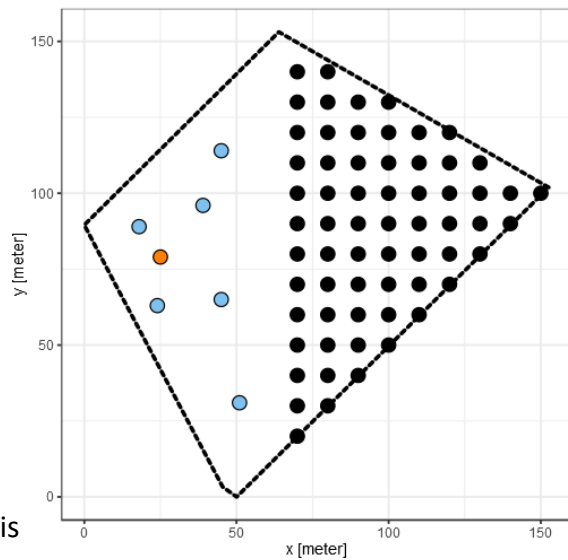
SOC increase
[g C/m²]

300
200
100



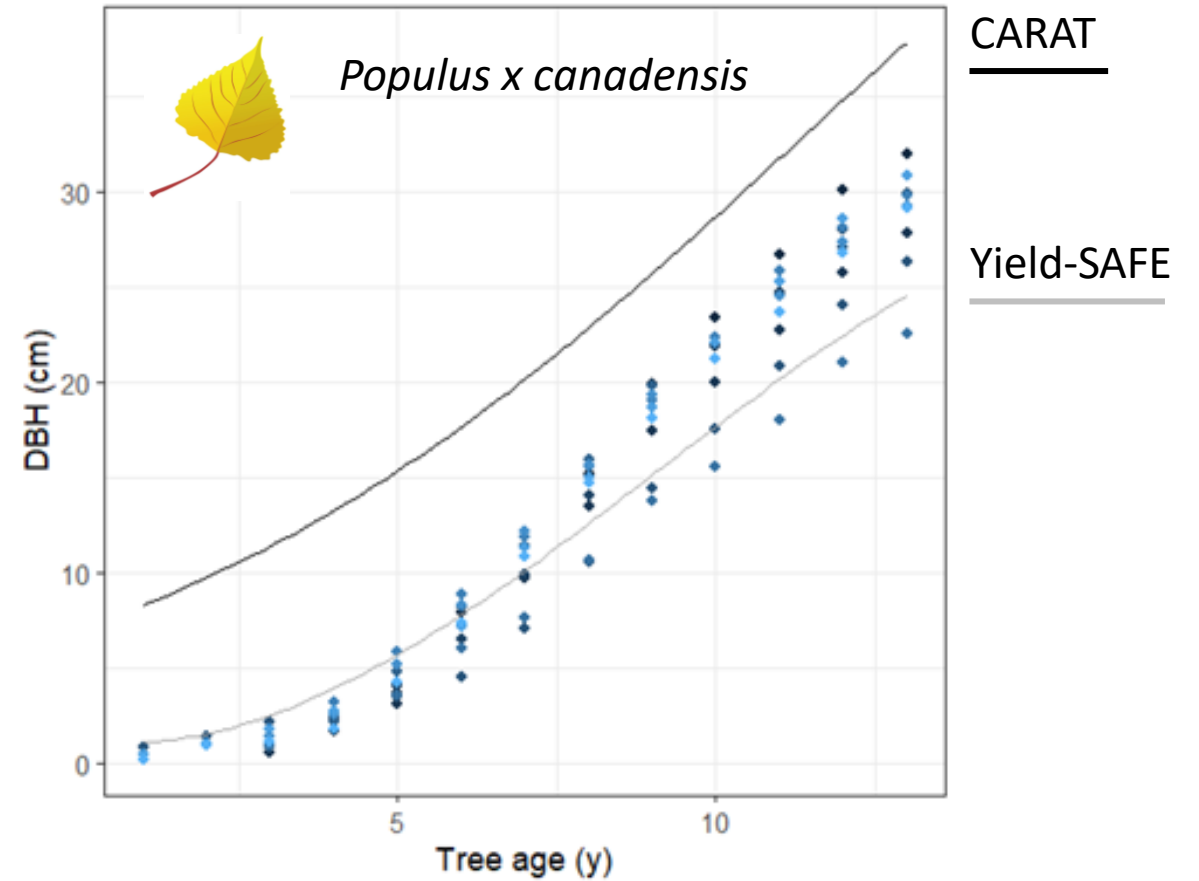
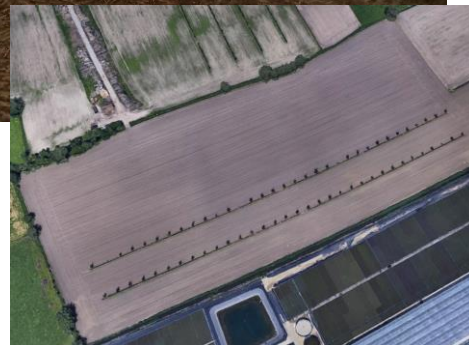
Output: field-level estimation

Years	Increase in SOC due to AF [kg C / field]	Increase in SOC due to AF [kg C / ha]	Total C in trees [kg C / field]	Total C in trees [kg C / ha]	Total C increase due to AF [kg C / field]	Total C increase due to AF [kg C / ha]
1	30.50	26.00	787.00	669.90	817.50	695.90
5	108.30	92.20	1134.90	966.03	1243.20	1058.23
10	214.90	182.90	1893.49	1611.76	2108.39	1794.66
15	346.30	294.70	3484.36	2965.92	3830.66	3260.62
20	534.10	454.70	6148.13	5233.35	6682.23	5688.05
25	773.60	658.50	9291.87	7909.32	10065.47	8567.82
30	1060.20	902.50	12640.79	10759.95	13700.99	11662.45



- Fraxinus excelsior
- Juglans regia
- Populus x canadensis

Comparison with existing fields



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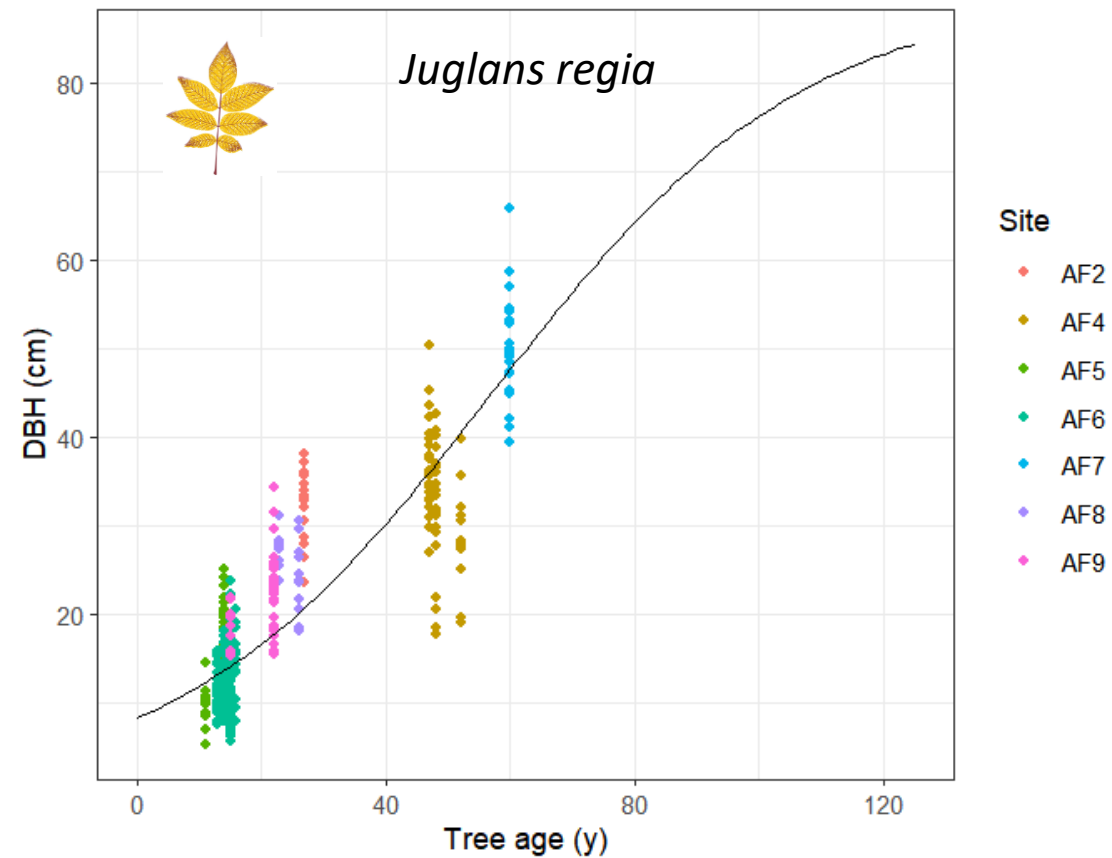
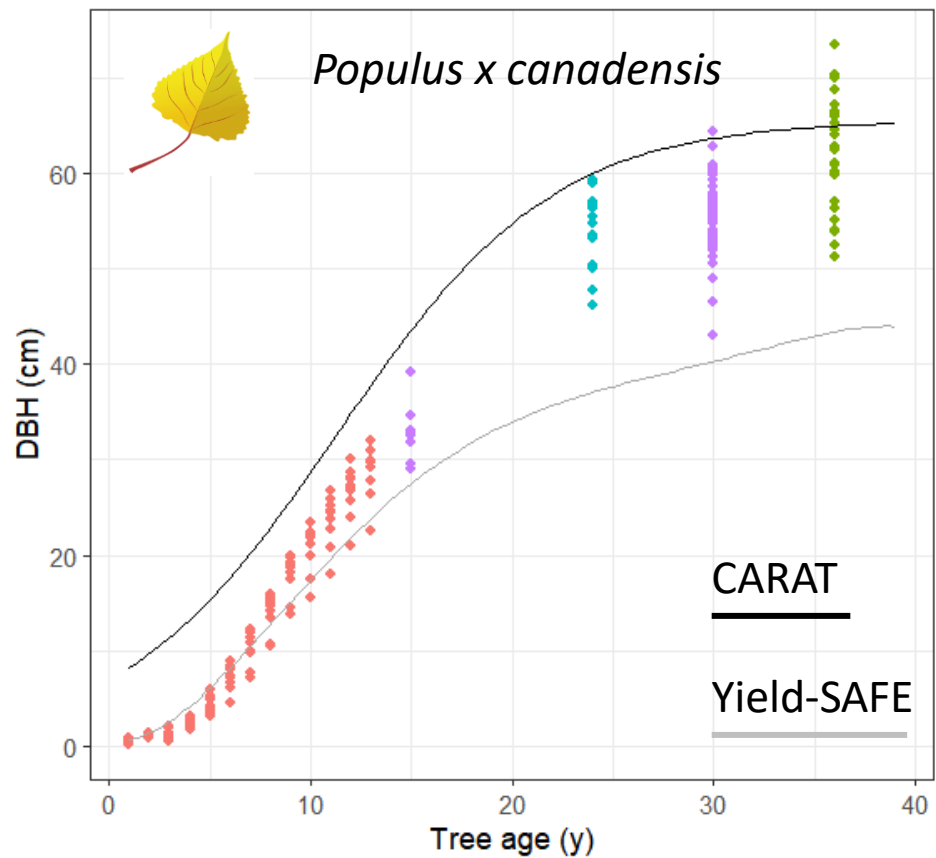
Populus x canadensis

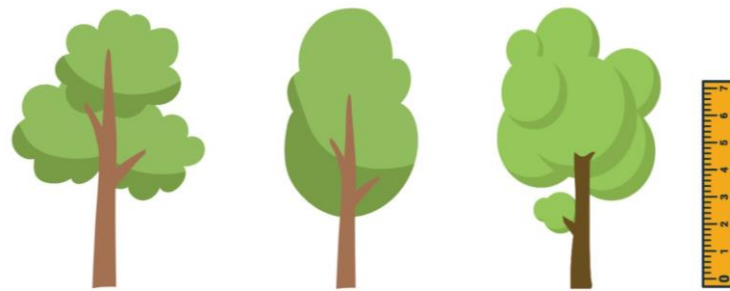


Juglans regia

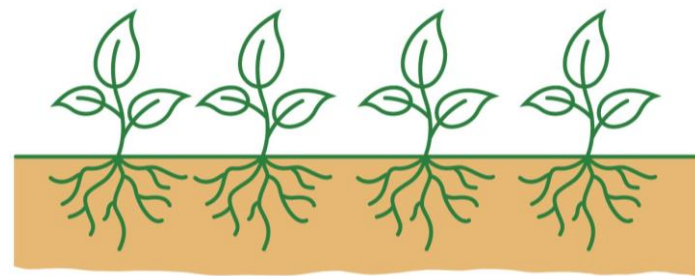
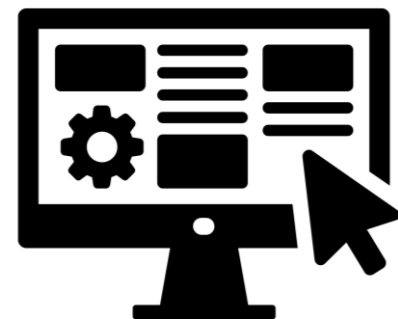


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Future
steps





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ALGEMEEN

Koolstofopslag in agroforestry systemen simuleren met de CARAT tool

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Simuleer het koolstofgehalte op je agroforestry-perceel met de Carbon Agroforestry Tool "CARAT"

WELKOM BIJ DE AGROFORESTRY PLANNER!

Op deze Agroforestry Planner vind je een verzameling van kennis en interactieve tools die zorgvuldig is samengesteld door het Consortium Agroforestry Vlaanderen. Klik op de tegeltjes om meer te weten te komen over agroforestry via het Kennisloket, de E-academy en de vijf interactieve tools!



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Ik ben op zoek naar kennis over verschillende agroforestry gerelateerde thema's.



E-Academy

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GA ZELF AAN DE SLAG MET 5 INTERACTIEVE TOOLS



DENTRO

Welke bomen zijn geschikt voor mijn agroforestry perceel? Kies uit een volledige boomsoritelijst of selecteer geschikte variëteiten voor populier of fruitbomen.



BETULA

Hoe ontwikkel ik stap per stap een plan voor een nieuw agroforestry project? Met welke aspecten dien ik rekening te houden?



INTACT

Welke kosten en welke baten kan ik verwachten bij het uitvoeren van mijn agroforestry plan? Op welke termijn?



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Hoewel koolstofopslag zal mijn agroforestry project realiseren, in de biomassa en in de bodem? Op welke termijn?



MIMOSA

Welke werktuigen bestaan er voor het oogsten van noten en welke keuze is daarbij geschikt voor mijn situatie?

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https://shiny.ilvo.be/PLANT/CARAT_v3/



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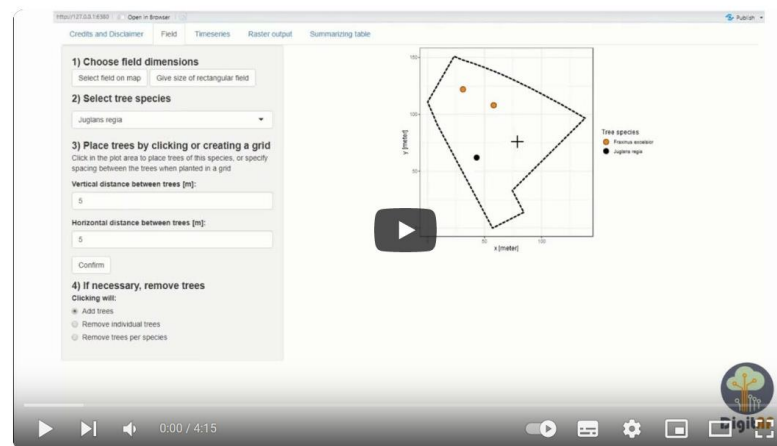
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