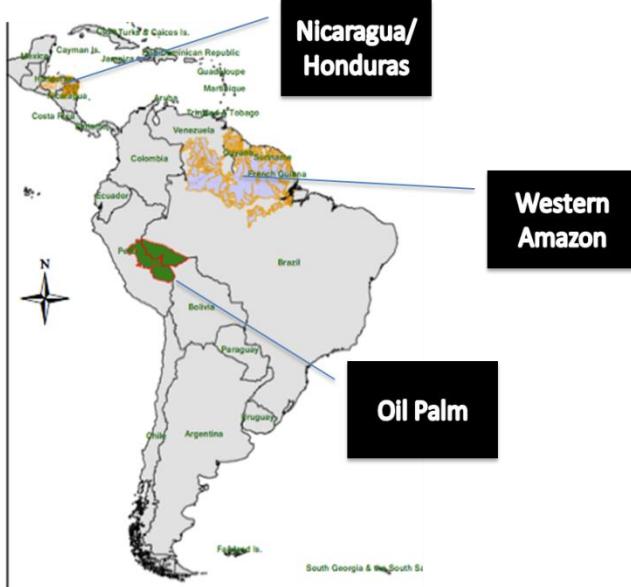


Long-term scientific observatories Nicaragua-Honduras Sentinel Landscape (NHSL)

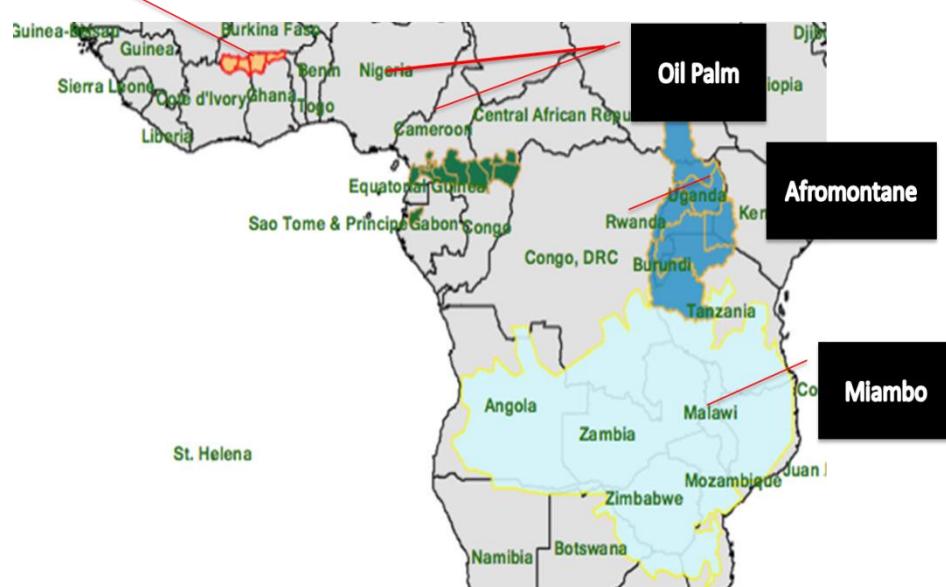
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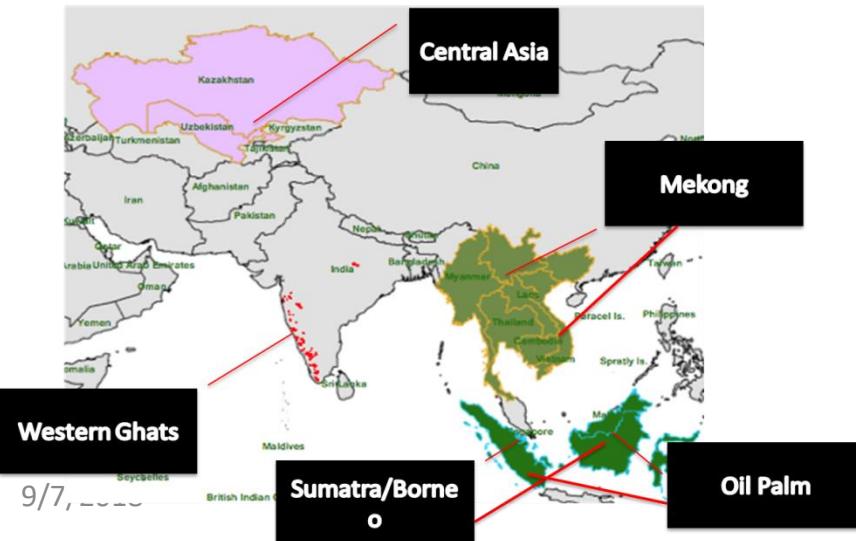


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The FTA-SL network

Western Ghats

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Sumatra/Borneo

Oil Palm

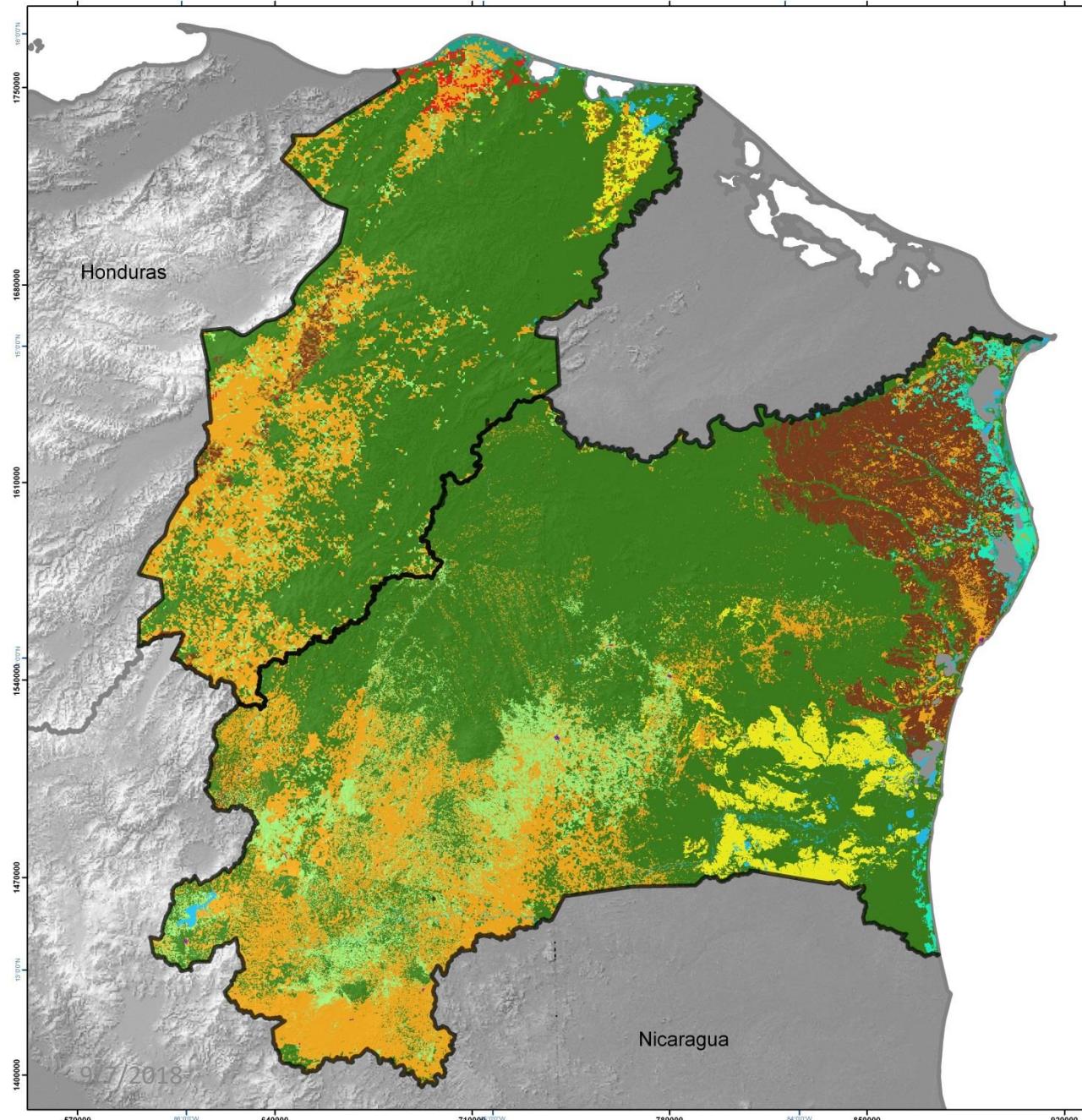
The Nicaragua-Honduras Sentinel Landscape (NHSL)

68 000 km² which includes 2 biosphere reserves and 13 protected areas in Nicaragua and Honduras



Map by Norvin Sepulveda and Noel Ulloa

Landuse and vegetation types in Nicaragua - Honduras Sentinel Landscape



Simbology

— Sentinel Landscape

Landuse

- Agriculture
- Agro-export agriculture
- Broadleaf forest
- Broadleaf mix forest
- Dense pine forest
- Land flooding
- Land without vegetation
- Mangrove forest
- Savannah with trees
- Shrubs
- Sparse pine forest
- Urban areas
- Water

Projection: UTM Zone 16 N

Datum: WGS-84

Scale 1 : 1.000.000



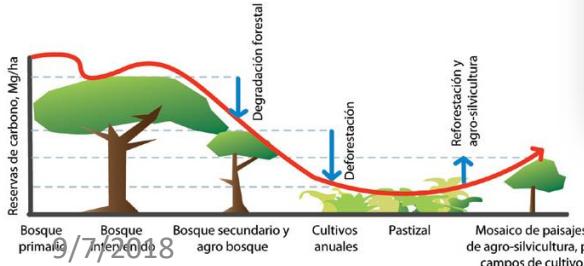
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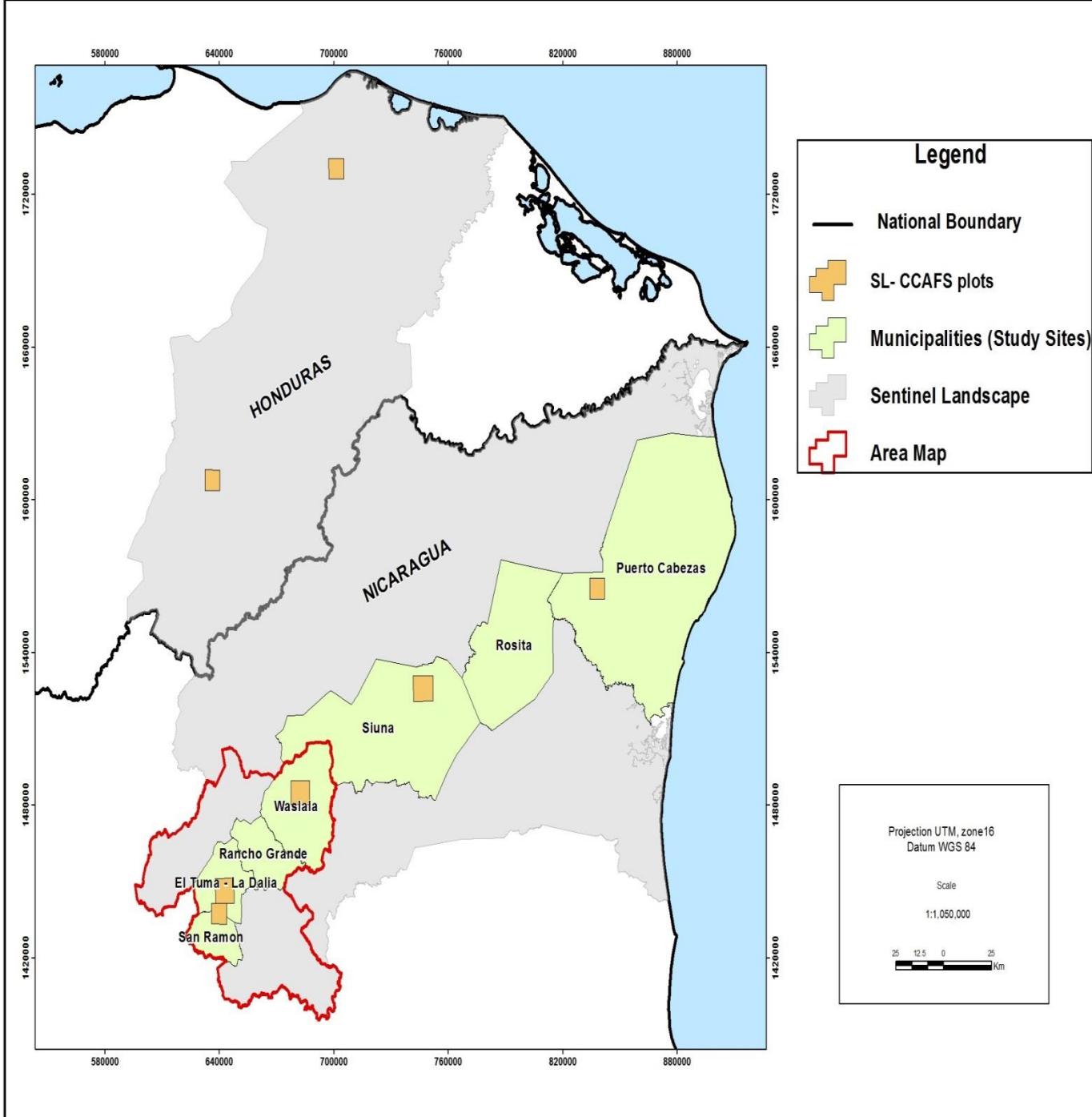
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ICF 2009 (Honduras) and
MARENA 2006 (Nicaragua)

Elaborated by:
Juan Carlos Zamora P. (CATIE)
December 2013



The largest remaining forest area in Central America, surrounded by a mosaic of agricultural land, cattle ranching and agroforestry systems.





Baseline studies (each with several contents, each content with several files, each file with several variables) **X 9 Sites**

This is structural....different organizations, projects, etc. in the landscape have their own criteria, preferences, and goals when selecting their action sites and variables of interest...so, there will be more sites and more studies

Biophysical baseline

Country	Sites	Infiltration	soils (top and sub)	Soils Cum mas	Vegetation (plots)	Trees (subplots)
Nicaragua	Tuma-La Dalia	48	320	480	160	640
	Columbus	48	320	480	160	640
Honduras	Rio Platano	48	320	480	160	640
	Rio Blanco	48	320	480	160	640
Total	4	192	1280	1920	640	2560

Socioeconomics baseline

Country	Sites	Settlement Association	Forest	Product	Household	Poverty Stages
Nicaragua	Tuma-La Dalia	8	10	28	104	297
	Columbus	8	7	9	76	302
Honduras	Rio Platano	9	11	14	27	146
	Rio Blanco	8	0	18	54	104
Total	4	33	28	69	261	849
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Open access data

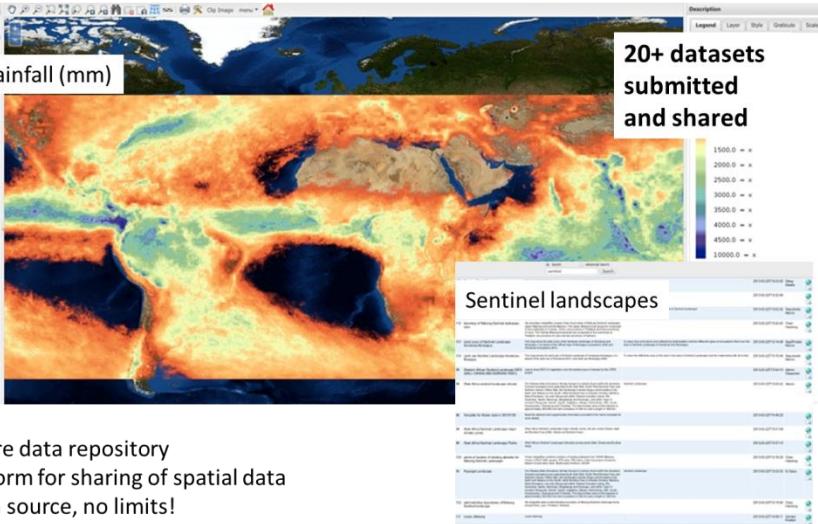
- 18 legacy data sets compiled and archived
<http://thedata.harvard.edu/dvn/dv/N-H-SL>
- 126 spatial datasets compiled and archived
<http://thedata.harvard.edu/dvn/dv/SL>
- CATIE agroforestry data bases in
(<http://thedata.harvard.edu/dvn/dv/CATIE>)
- Also www.paisajecentinela.org

ICRAF GeoPortal

Global spatial data harvesting

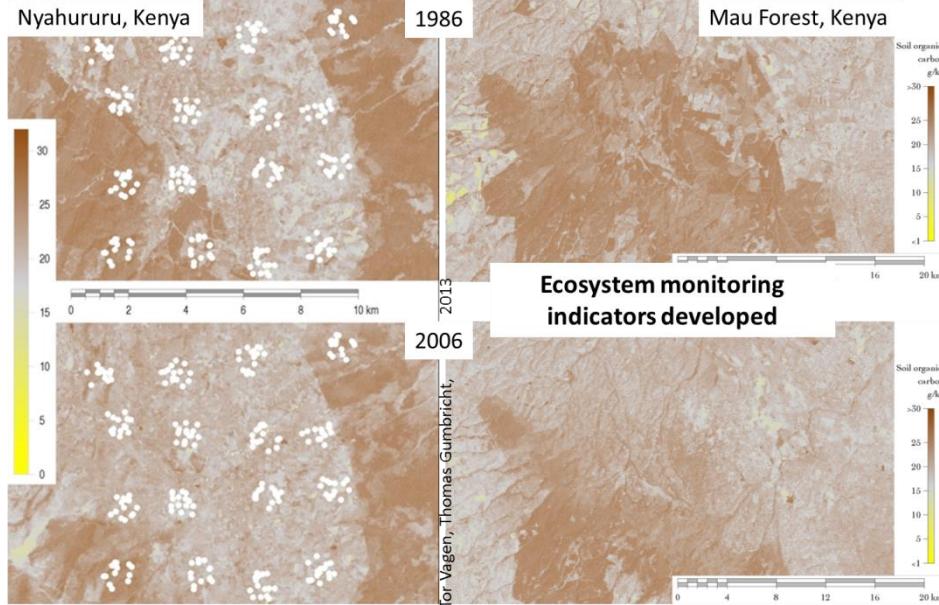
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Global rainfall (mm)

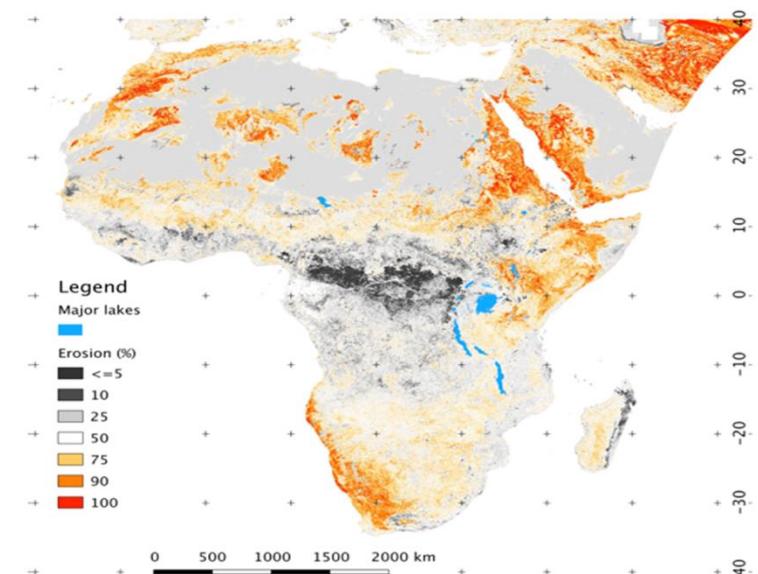
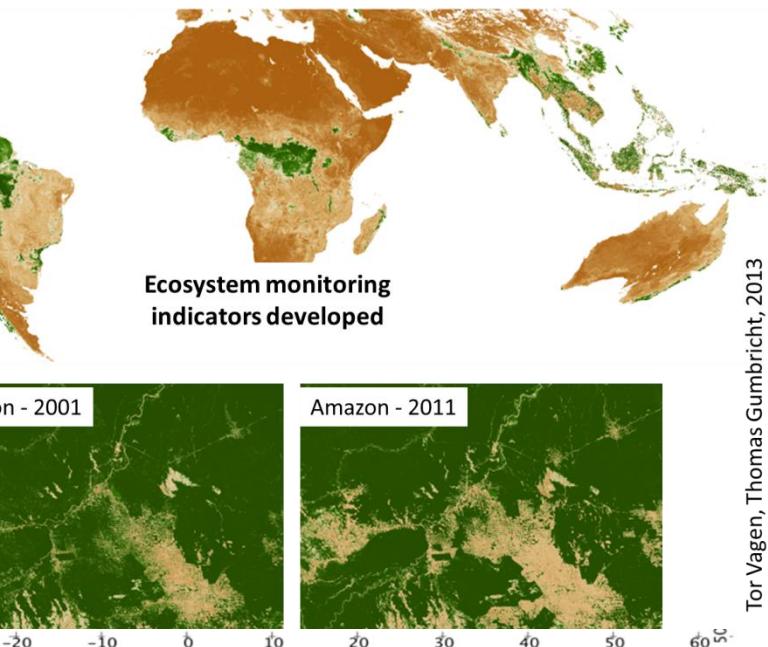


- Secure data repository
- Platform for sharing of spatial data
- Open source, no limits!

Systematic methods for mapping soil and ecosystem health at multiple scales



Global Forest Cover Index



Landscape governance
workshop, CIFOR



Sentinel Landscape Data Analysis workshop, CATIE, March 2014



Biophysical Baseline coordination within the Western Amazonia Sentinel Landscape



"Science and Development Platform" to help set up relevant research agenda and secure an impact pathways of science-based innovations to development processes in Climate Smart Territories in Nicaragua (Nicacentral)

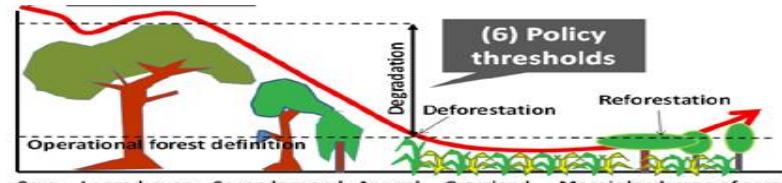
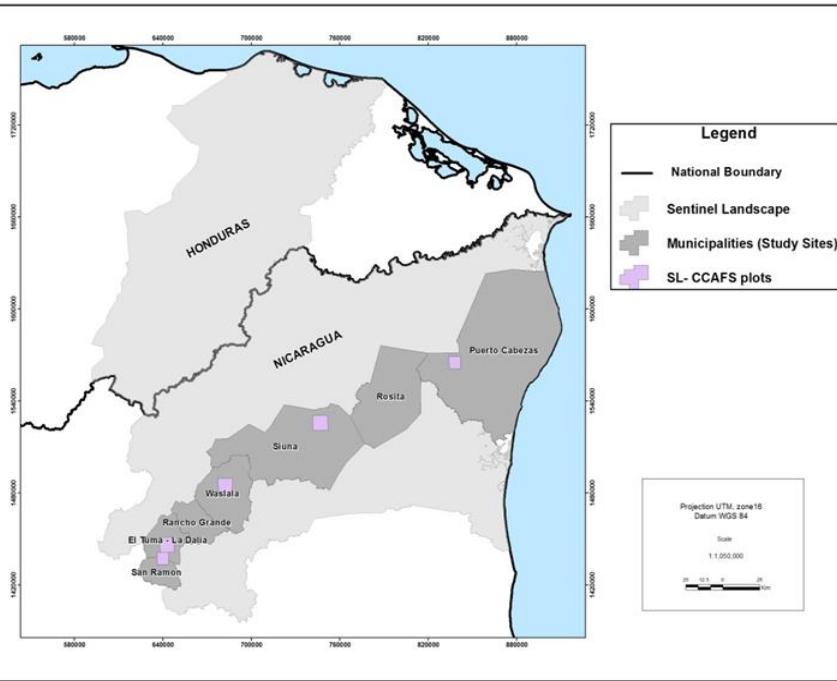


More than 120 representatives , from 12 NGOs, 8 Governmental organizations, 8 Universities, 6 international centers, and 4 International Cooperation organizations
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Articulating Science,
Rural Development and
Education in Nicaragua

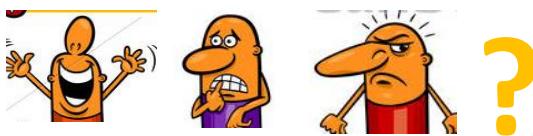




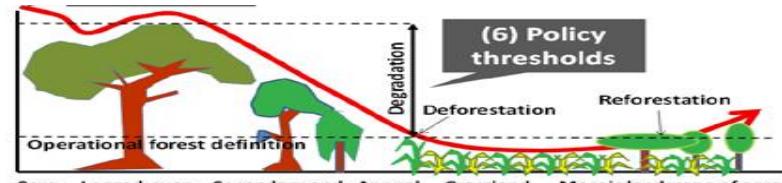
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Agroecological intensification

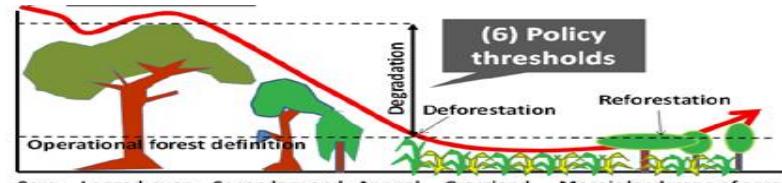


People -livelihoods



Agroecological intensification

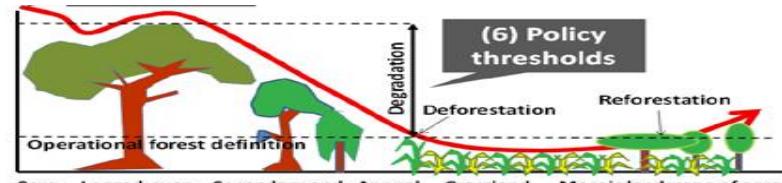
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Tree cover transition



Agroecological intensification



Agroecological intensification

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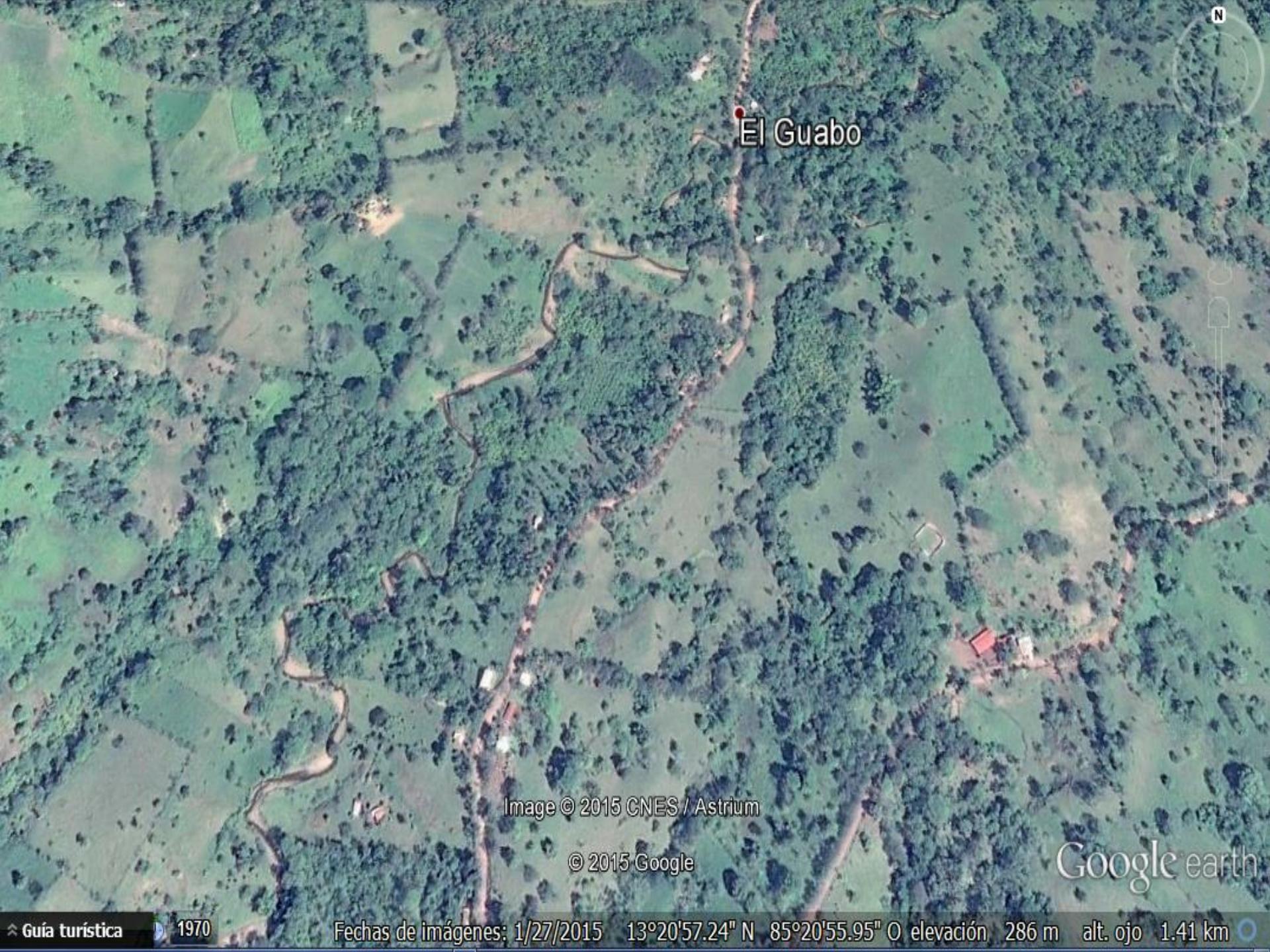
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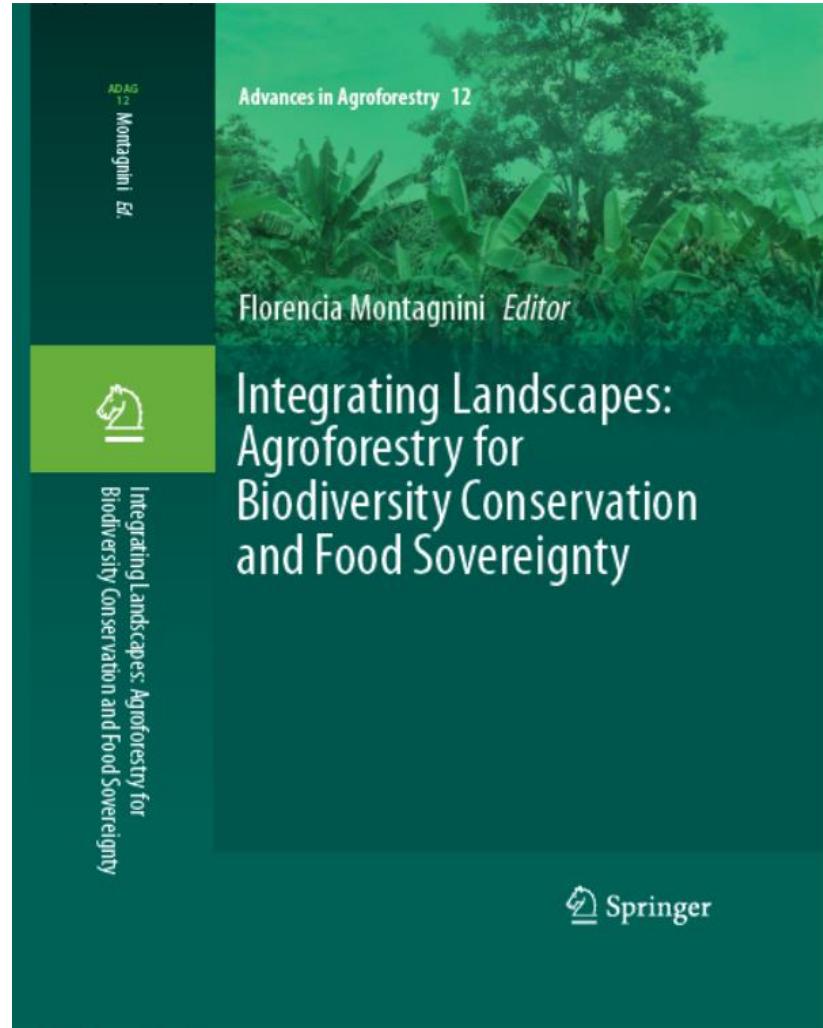
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Activities and on-going bilateral projects in the NHSL

- **Theme: Restoration of agricultural landscapes: trees on farms and on-farm forests**
- **Projects:**
 - LUXDEV (Facilitating the development of small and medium forest enterprises for the management of secondary forests in Guatemala, Nicaragua and Costa Rica);
 - IKI-BMUB (Supporting Initiative 20 by 20: A country-led effort to bring 20 million hectares of degraded land in Latin America and the Caribbean into restoration by 2020);
 - IKI-BMUB (Harnessing the potential of trees- on-farms for meeting national and global biodiversity targets; Sustainable Forest Management, Program on Forests, Biodiversity and Climate Change);
 - BMUB-IKI (Development of sustainable forestry models & links to private finance for secondary forests)
 - 2017-2019 euros 1.9 million Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica
- **Partners:** CATIE, ICRAF
- FP4-CoA3, FP3-CoAs1-3
- **Links to FP5**
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- **Theme. Title: Diversification of shaded cocoa and coffee smallholder systems**
- **Projects:**
 - PROCAGICA (Programa Centroamericano de Gestión Integral de la Roya del Café (Central American Coffee Leaf-Rust Project);
 - STRADIV (Multi stakeholder design of coffee agro-ecological systems in Nicaragua);
 - FORECAST (Towards multi-functional, sustainable and connected rural territories, relying upon the multi-functionality of agriculture);
- **Partners:** IICA (Instituto Interamericano de Cooperación para la Agricultura), ICRAF, CIRAD
- FP4-CoA3
- **Links to FP2-CoA3**
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- **Theme: Governance and Capacity building in the NHSL**
 - Dialog platform between science-development-policy-development stakeholders in Nicaragua
- **Partners:** ICRAF, CIAT, CIRAD, CONICYT-Vice Presidency Government of Nicaragua, CEN (Centro de Entendimiento con la Naturaleza, MARENA (Ministerio de Ambiente y Recursos Naturales), INTA (Instituto Nacional de Tecnología Agropecuaria), Red GESCOM (Gestión del Conocimiento), NITLAPAN, UNA (Universidad Nacional Agraria, Nicaragua), UCA (Universidad CentroAmericana, Nicaragua)
- FP4-CoA1
- **Links to FP5, FP2**

Initiative **20x20**

Bringing **20 million**
hectares of degraded land in
Latin America & the Caribbean
into restoration by **2020**

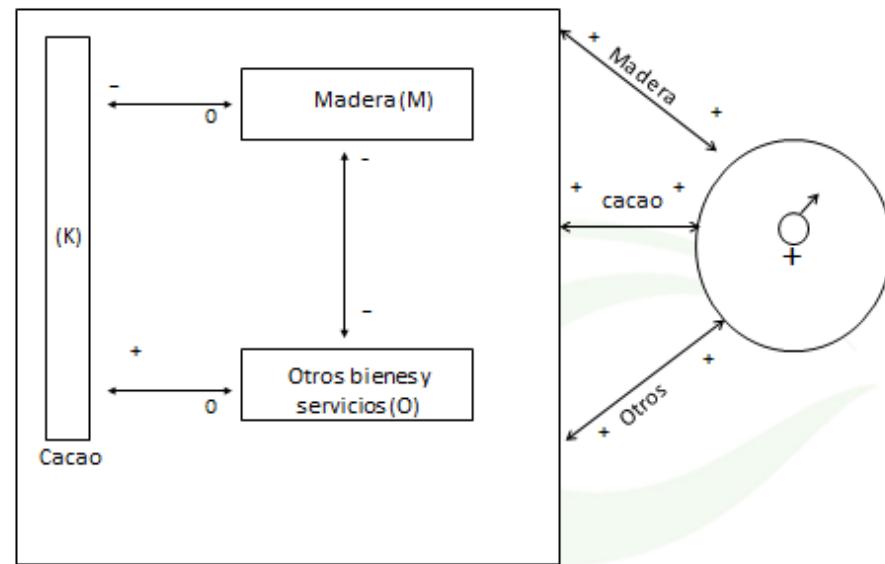
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On-going research...on shaded cocoa
and coffee agroforestry systems

Optimizing cocoa shade canopies for multiple objectives

Can we design and manage cocoa shade canopies to simultaneously conserve biodiversity, attain high cocoa yields and mitigate/adapt to climate change?



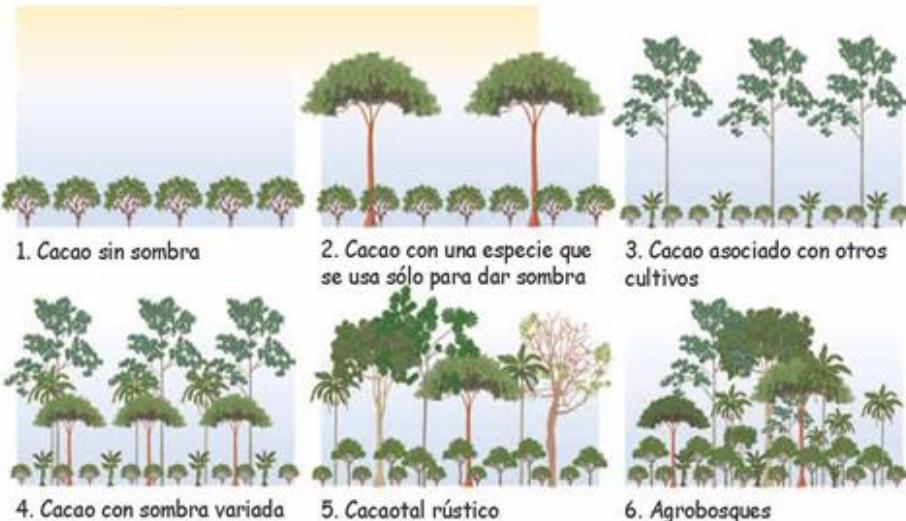
Methodology: how to analyze and design improved shade canopies for cocoa?

1. Determine **farmers' objectives**
2. Evaluate **plantation status**
 1. Self-shading: age, spacing, variety, pruning
 2. Crop phenology
 3. Canopy cover spatial homogeneity
3. Evaluate **site conditions**
 1. Soil fertility and water availability
 2. Latitude, exposure, slopes
 3. Nearby vegetation – lateral shade
 4. Wind, clouds
4. Evaluate **tree species**
 1. Use
 2. Crown characteristics: diameter, density, phenology
 3. Tree height

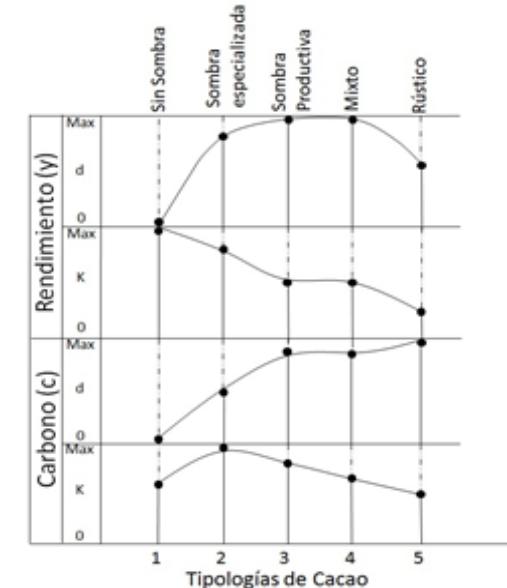
Elementos básicos del modelo de asignación competitiva del área basal de la plantación (ABCOMP)

- Zonificación ecológica del sitio de plantación determina el nivel máximo de biomasa, carbono o área basal alcanzable por la vegetación clímax local
- El cacaotal (o cualquier otro sistema agroforestal) alcanza un nivel de biomasa, carbono o área basal inferior al de la vegetación clímax. Apenas un 25% de la biomasa clímax.
- Diferentes tipologías retienen diferentes niveles máximos de biomasa, carbono o área basal compatibles con los objetivos de producción de la tipología
- El modelo ABCOMP permite analizar la forma de asignar el área basal de la plantación
 - Entre el cacao y el dosel de sombra
 - Entre diferentes grupos útiles de especies dentro del dosel.

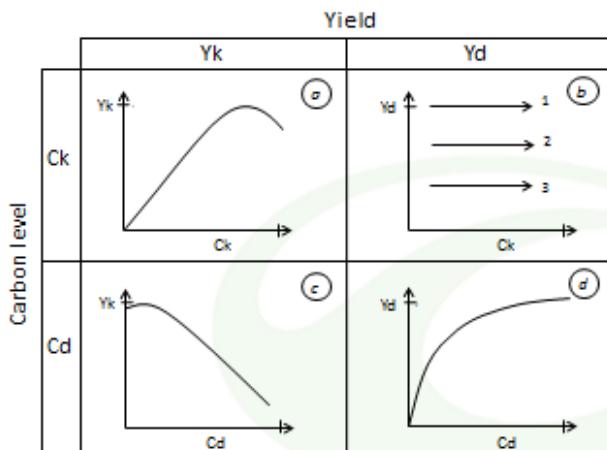
Tipologías cacaoteras



La distribución hipotética del carbono de la plantación entre el cacao y el dosel de sombra y sus efectos sobre los rendimientos del cacao y del dosel.



Need to look at the qualitative relationships between levels of stored C in vegetation (shade canopy – C_k - and cocoa trees C_d) and yields of cocoa (Y_k) and shade canopy (Y_d)

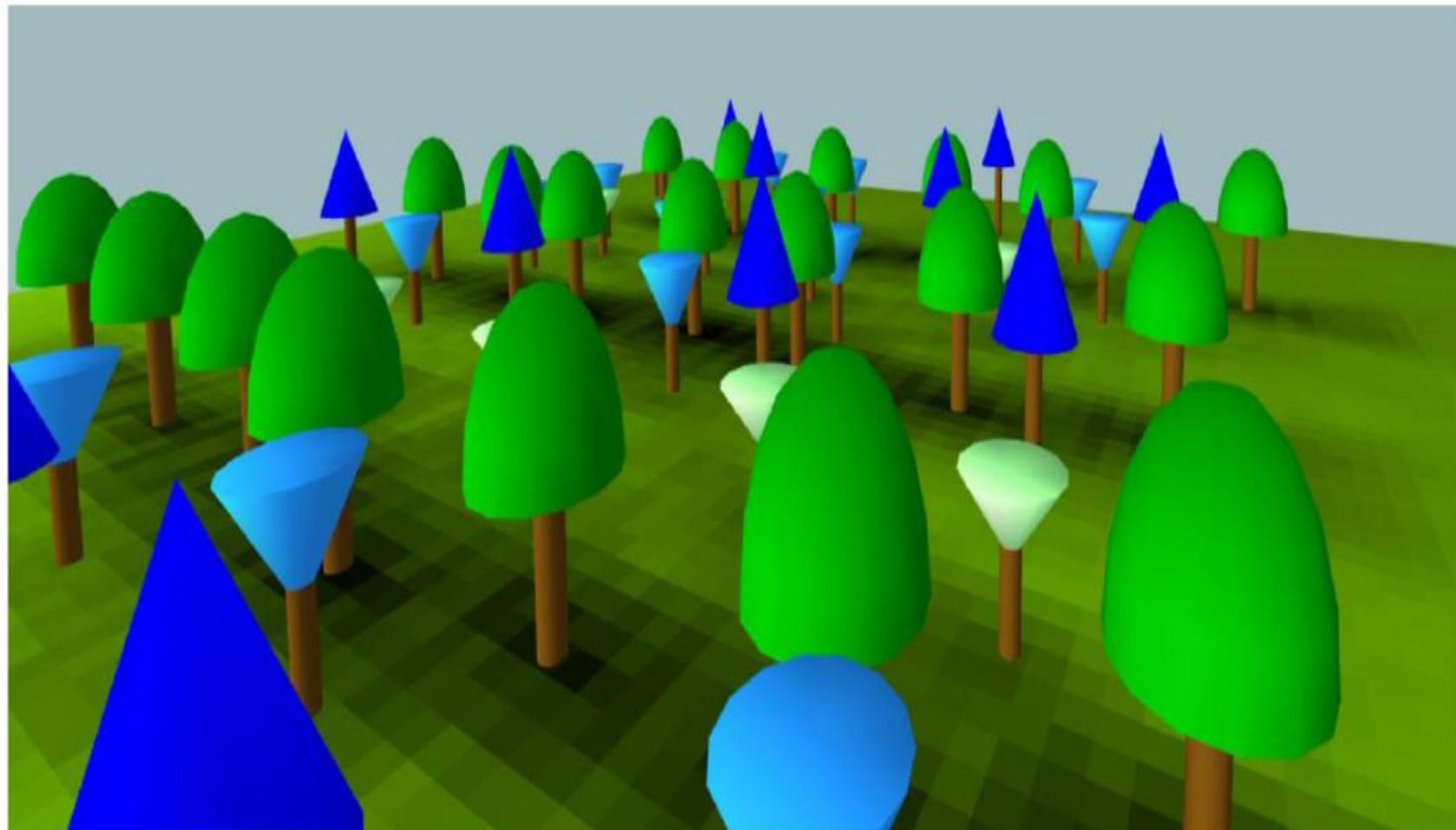


Rasgos funcionales de los árboles del dosel y optimización del diseño y manejo

- Árboles altos “tipo sequoia” almacenan mas carbono que árboles pequeños
- Árboles altos producen “una sombra rala” buena para lograr altos rendimientos de cacao
- Especies con hojas pequeñas y caducifolia permiten la entrada de radiación solar al cultivo y mejora los rendimientos
- Especies con sistemas radiculares profundos y masivos que acumulen mucho carbono muy estable en el tiempo y que no aumente competencia radicular con los cultivos asociados
- Especies con fenología revertida.....

TUTORIAL DE SHADEMOTION 4.0

ShadeMotion 4.0 es una aplicación de software que calcula la cantidad de horas de sombra que se acumulan en cada “punto” (celdilla) de una parcela con árboles, durante períodos de tiempo de cualquier duración y en cualquier lugar de la Tierra.



Rehabilitate, renovate the orchard at the same site, or plant a new one at another site ?

Eduardo Somarriba, Rolando Cerdá, Olivier Deheuvels, Patrick Jagoret

ISCR 2017 Lima Peru
17 November 2017

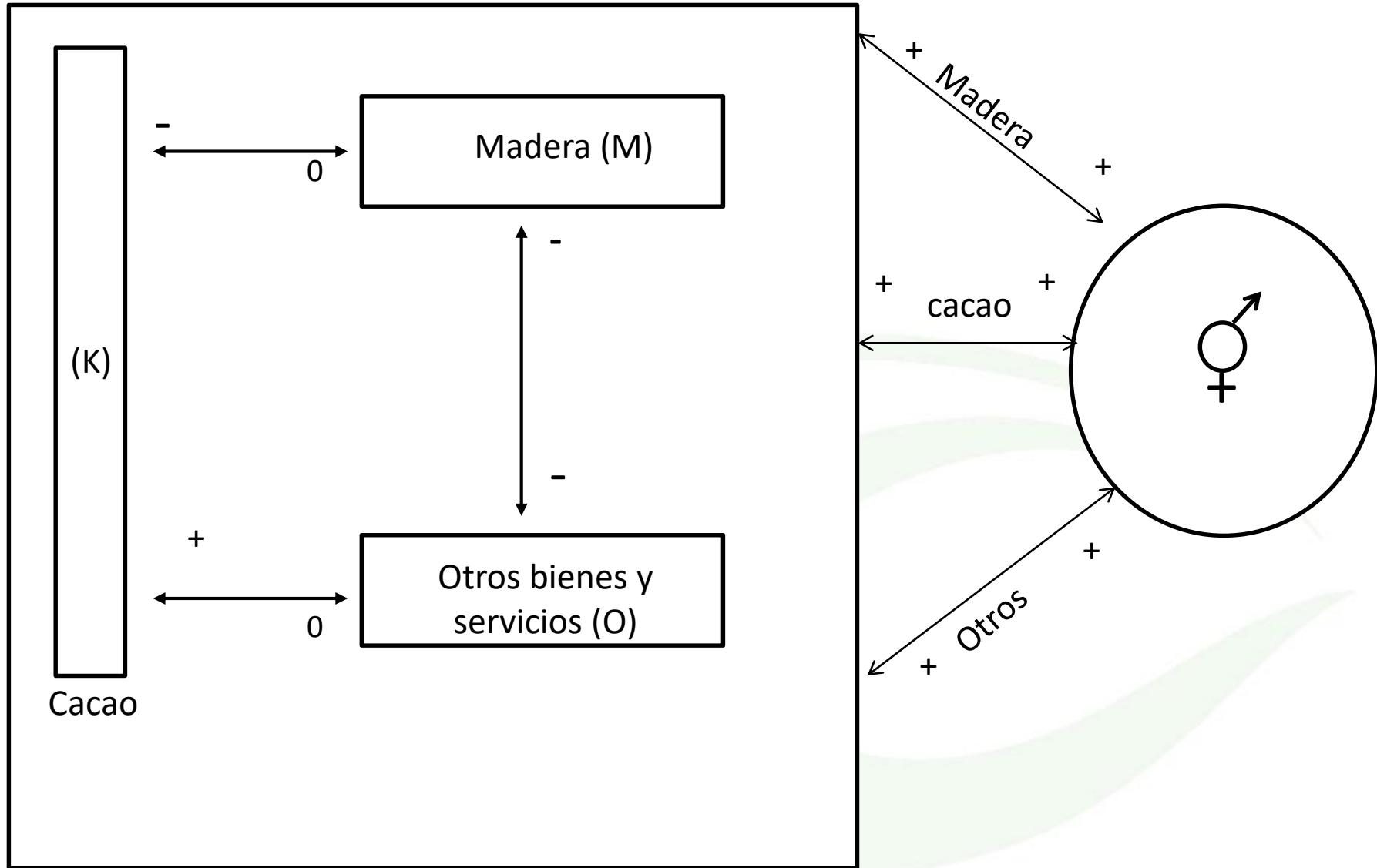
Tree crop plantations like milking cows, a planted forest or a industrial machine have a productive life cycle and eventually need to be replaced by a new one.

A central question is then when and how to replace it!...

Four steps

First, optimal design of the cropping system is required

Plantación



A photograph showing a vast, dense field of cocoa plants. The plants are closely packed, forming a thick green canopy. The leaves are large and dark green, with some showing signs of yellowing or damage. The ground in front of the plants is covered with a layer of fallen, brown, dried leaves. In the background, more rows of cocoa plants stretch towards a horizon under a clear blue sky.

Cocoa monocrop, no
shade, Ecuador



Cocoa-timber, *Terminalia ivorensis*
plantada, Jesús Sánchez, FHIA,
Honduras



Cocoa-coconuts Jamaica



*Bactris
gasipaes*

*Cordia
aliodora*

*Citrus
aurantium*

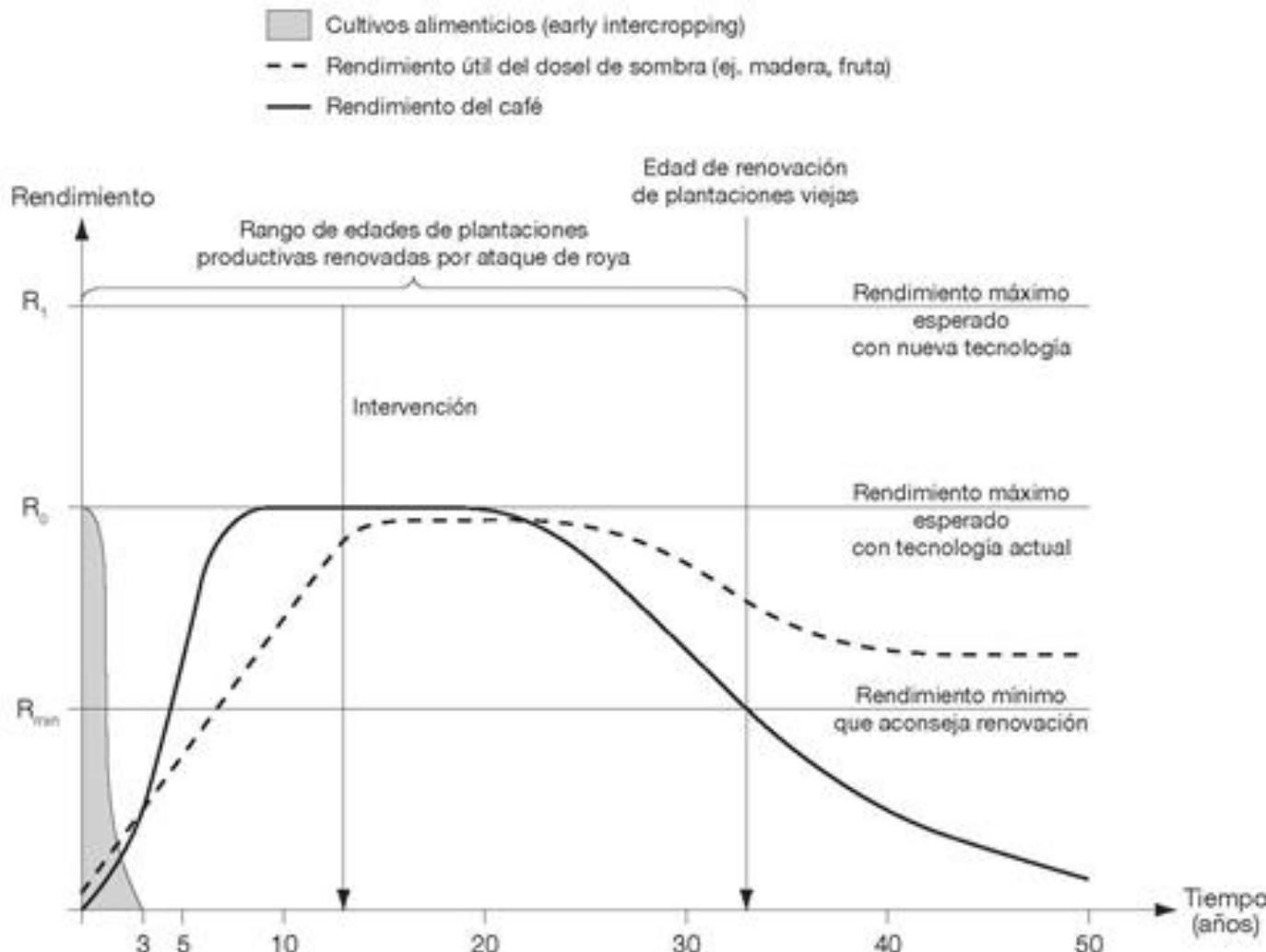
*Theobroma
cacao*

Musa AAA

Mixed shade Systems, Costa Rica,
Deheuvels et al 2011



Second, we quantify the yields of
the various component of the
cropping system over its life cycle



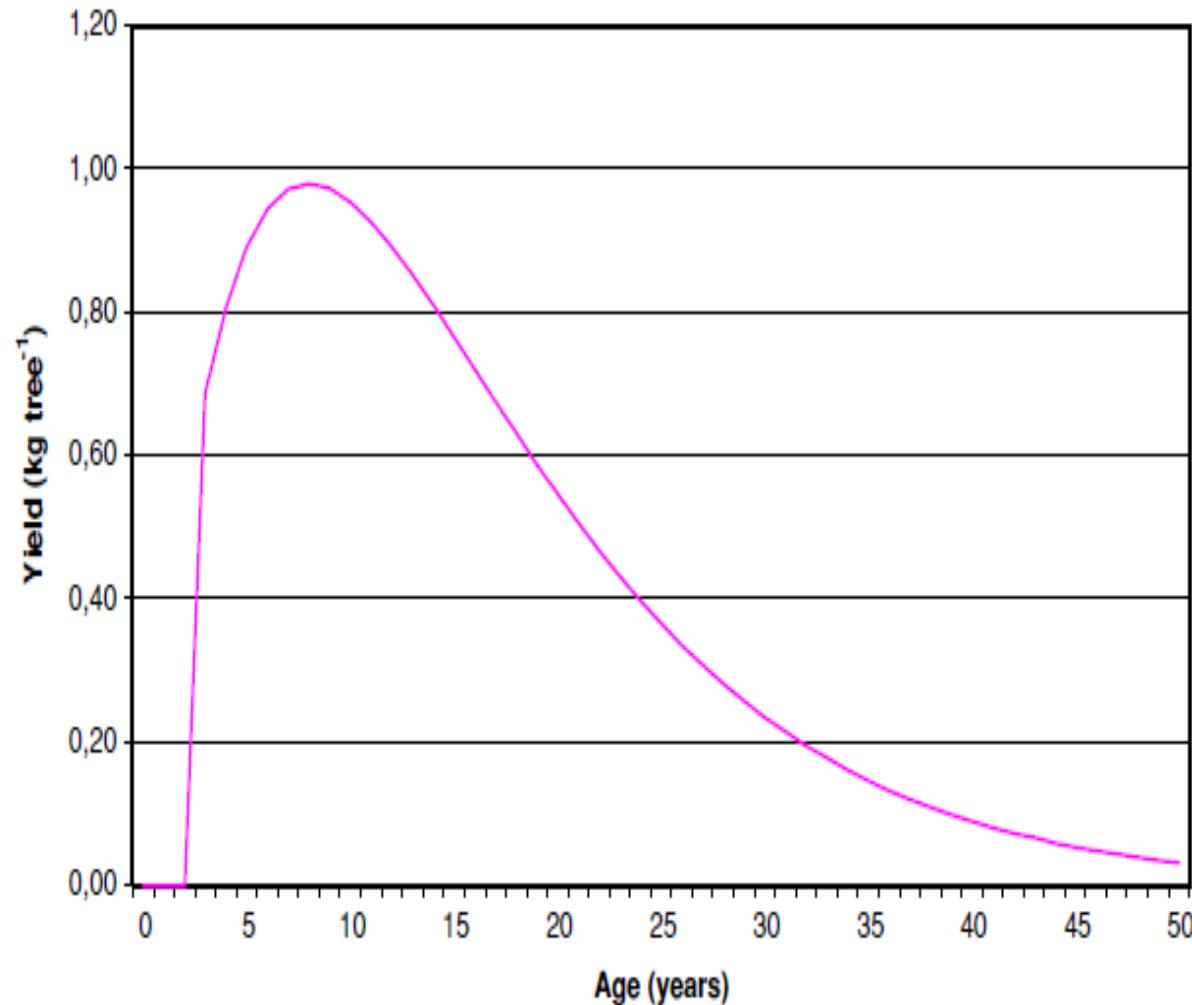
$$\text{Yield (kg/ha)} = (\text{kg/tree}) * (\text{trees/ha})$$

Both the yield per tree (y) and the number of trees per hectare (n) vary with plantation age (t)

$$R(t) = y(t)*n(t)$$

The actual shape and maximum height of the yield curve depends on site quality (soil fertility, water supply, crop management, etc.)

Fig. 1 Cocoa yield curve over a 50-year period based on Eq. 2: $C = e^{(-1.1 + \ln(A) - 0.125A)}$ where C = cocoa yield and A = age

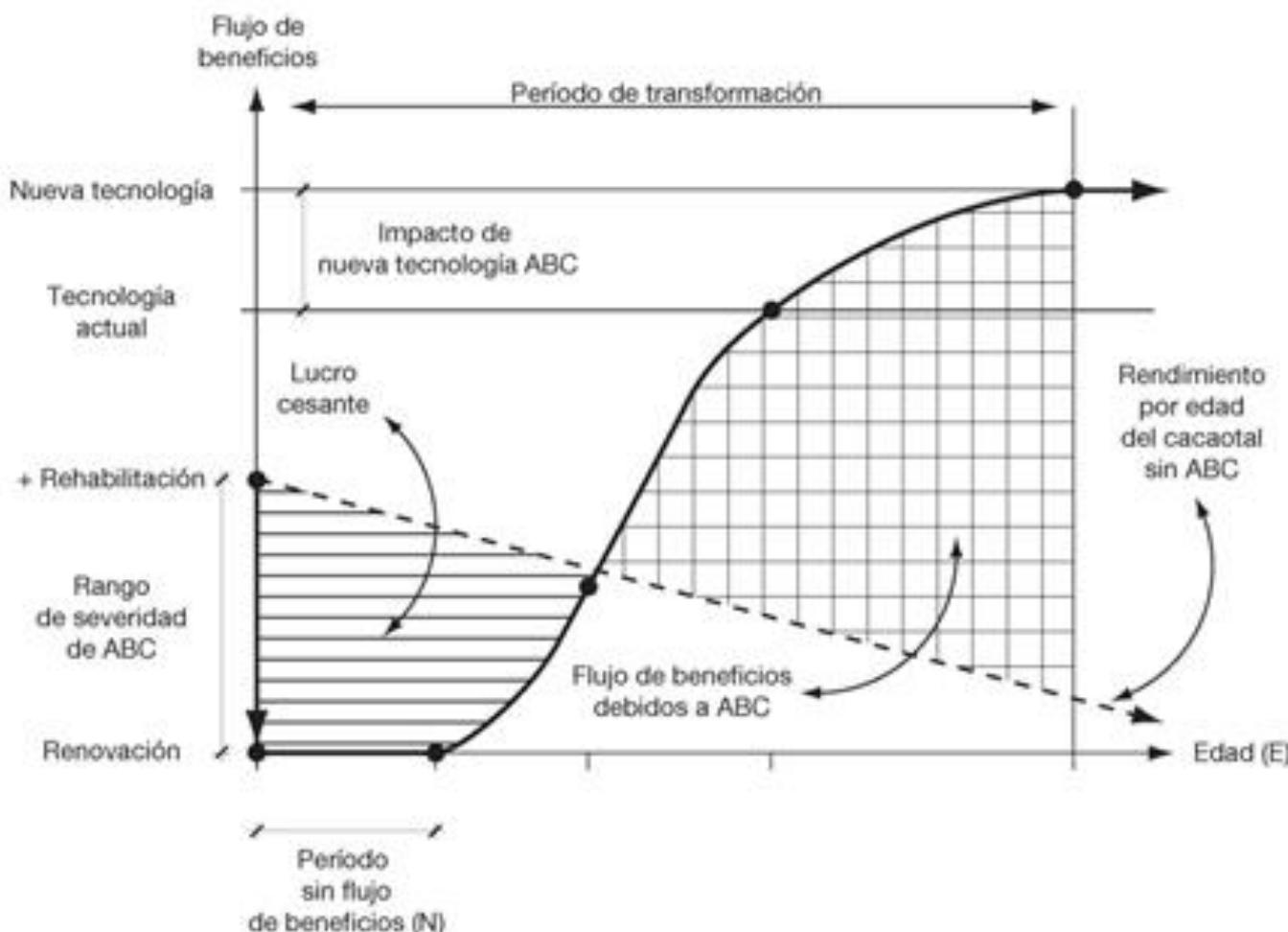


The evolution of population density over time.... $n(t)$

Age-dependent annual mortality rate for cocoa

- Typically between 0.5 - 2.0% (discount compound rate)
- $n(t) = n(0) * (1+r)^{-t}$
 - $n(0)$ is the initial planting density of cocoa plantación
- $N(0)$ differs depending on the cocoa plantation System
 - State plantation system (America) typically <1000 trees/ha
 - Peasant system (Africa) typically >2000 trees/ha

Third, we assess the consequences of renovating the agroecosystem at different points in its life cycle



ABC = rehabilitación = acondicionamiento de un cafetal existente, renovación = nuevo cafetal en el mismo sitio, fomento = nuevo cafetal en otro sitio

Four, we use an analytical tool to assess when it is best to replace the cocoa/coffee plantation

Asset replacement principles

- The basic marginal principle is to compare gains from keeping the current asset for another time interval with the average OPPORTUNITY gains which could be realized from a replacement asset during the same period
- A common goal: maximize the net present value of the entire flow of future stream of residual earnings from the productive process associated with the asset
- Challengers, Defenders, compounded interest rates (Amer J Agric Econ 54(1):60-67. 1972)

$$(4.2) \quad R(s) + M'(s) = \frac{\rho}{1 - e^{-\rho s}} V(s)$$

where

$$V(s) = \int_0^s R(t)e^{-\rho t} dt + M(s) - M(0).$$

Renovation strategies and practices

- Two basic models...influence on cash flows
 - Total renovation at optimal renovation age
 - Partial renovation (staggered)...for instance, a fraction of the entire plantation is renovated every year
- Renovation practices
 - Old cocoa stand use as temporary shade for new stand...also generates income while new stand is developing
 - Inter-cropping and productive shade
 - Numerous husbandry practices: stumping, pruning, grafting, etc.

Final considerations

- Continuous replanting and rejuvenation practices not usually considered when modelling yield-age curves
- Variations in planting density, mortality rates and age-density-yield interactions not properly considered
- Revenues from early inter-cropping and shade trees (fruit, timber, etc.) usually not considered in optimization exercises....an AGROFORESTRY approach to renovation is absent in current practice



Thank you