



The Turc-Budyko adimensional graphs as a tool for consistency assessment

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This poster discusses the Turc-Budyko nondimensional graph, a widely used nondimensional representation relating long-term actual evaporation to precipitation and potential evaporation as a tool for assessing the consistency of catchment water balance. We present examples showing both the classical use of the graph (based on long-term averages, see Andréassian and Perrin, 2012) but also a newer use involving dated annual values, which allows to check the consistency of individual years (see Coron et al., 2015).

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