Wetland Methanogenesis and Heat Flux

Estimation of methane respiration and oxidation, as well as latent and sensible heat with a saturated area derived from the topographic index.

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The Topographic Index of TOPMODEL

- Hydraulic gradient is equal to the slope.
- Spatially uniform hydraulic conductivity, exponentially decreasing with depth.

Elevation (m)
ABOVE 1000
975 - 1000
950 - 975
925 950
900 - 925
875 - 900
850 - 875
825 - 850
800 - 825
775 - 800
750 - 775
BELOW 750

ln(a/tanß)







Saturated Area







Methanogenesis

 $F_{CH_4} = -k_{CH_4ox} \cdot Q_{10ox} \left(\frac{\left(\frac{T(t) - T_0}{10} \right)}{10} + k_{CH_4resp} \cdot SatArea(hist(\Gamma), vol_{H_2O}) \cdot Q_{10resp} \right) \left(\frac{\left(\frac{T(t) - T_0}{10} \right)}{10} + k_{CH_4resp} \cdot SatArea(hist(\Gamma), vol_{H_2O}) \cdot Q_{10resp} \right) \right)$

- Flux equals the sum of two Arrhenius-type equations representing methane respiration and oxidation.
- Could add third, distinguishing between saturated and unsaturated respiration.
- Estimates of Q_{10resp} commonly range from 2-9, nine is an enormous value, I've heard of people using values of 100, even 1,000.
- Q_{10resp} may be variable within the observed temperature range.







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