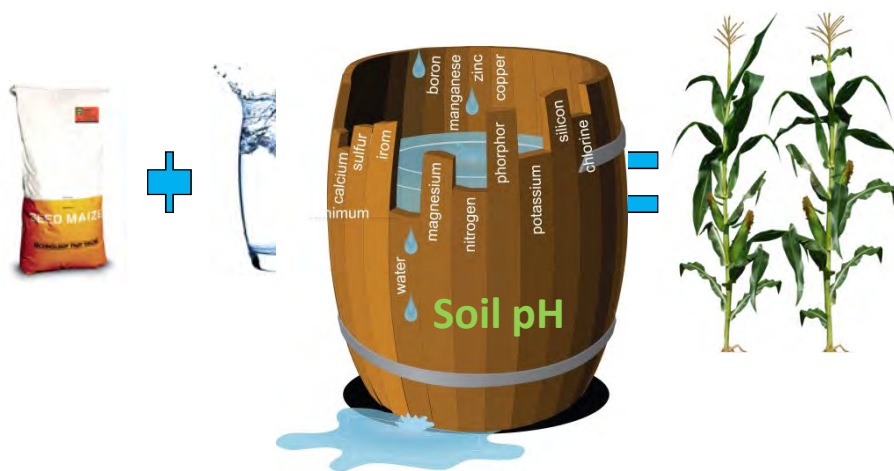


L'agriculture (numérique) de précision ...



Agronomie de base



loi des facteurs limitants

HABER-BOSCH PROCESS



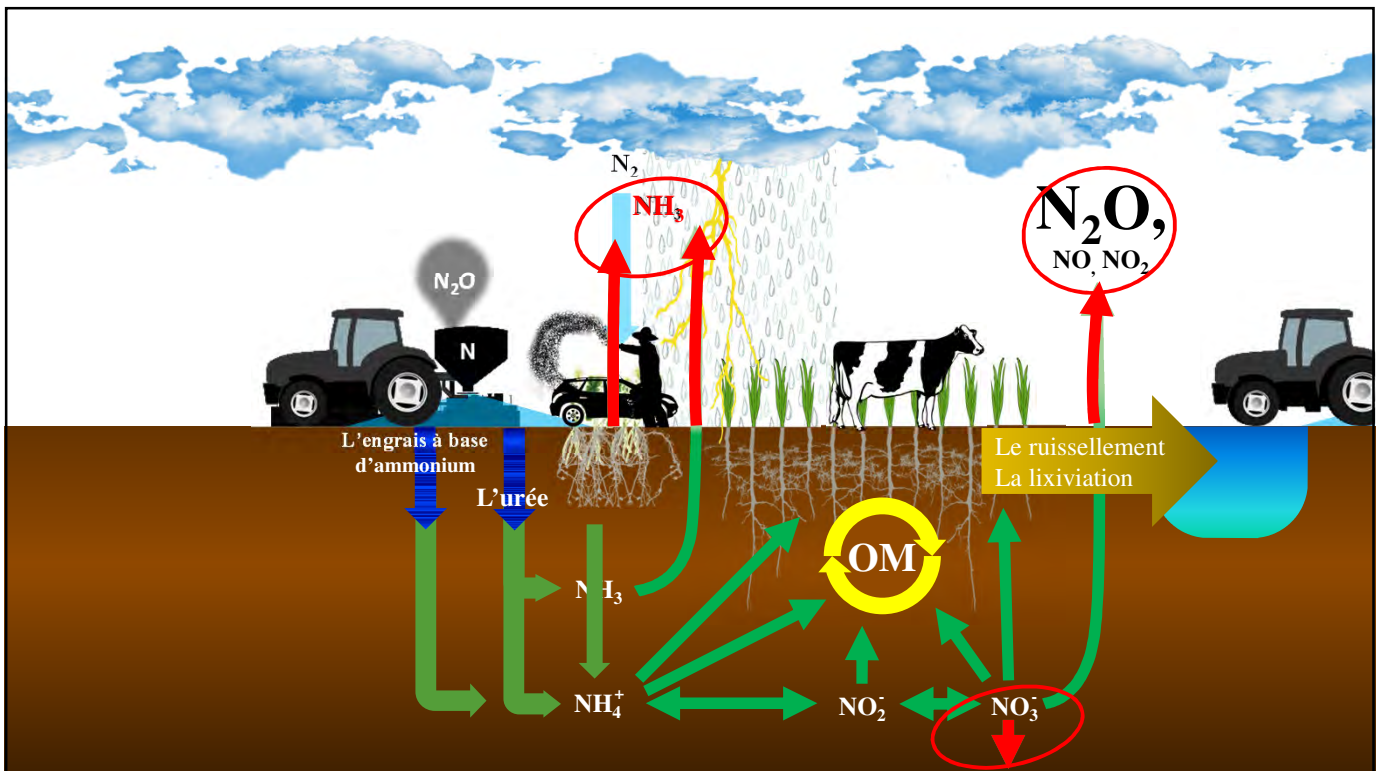
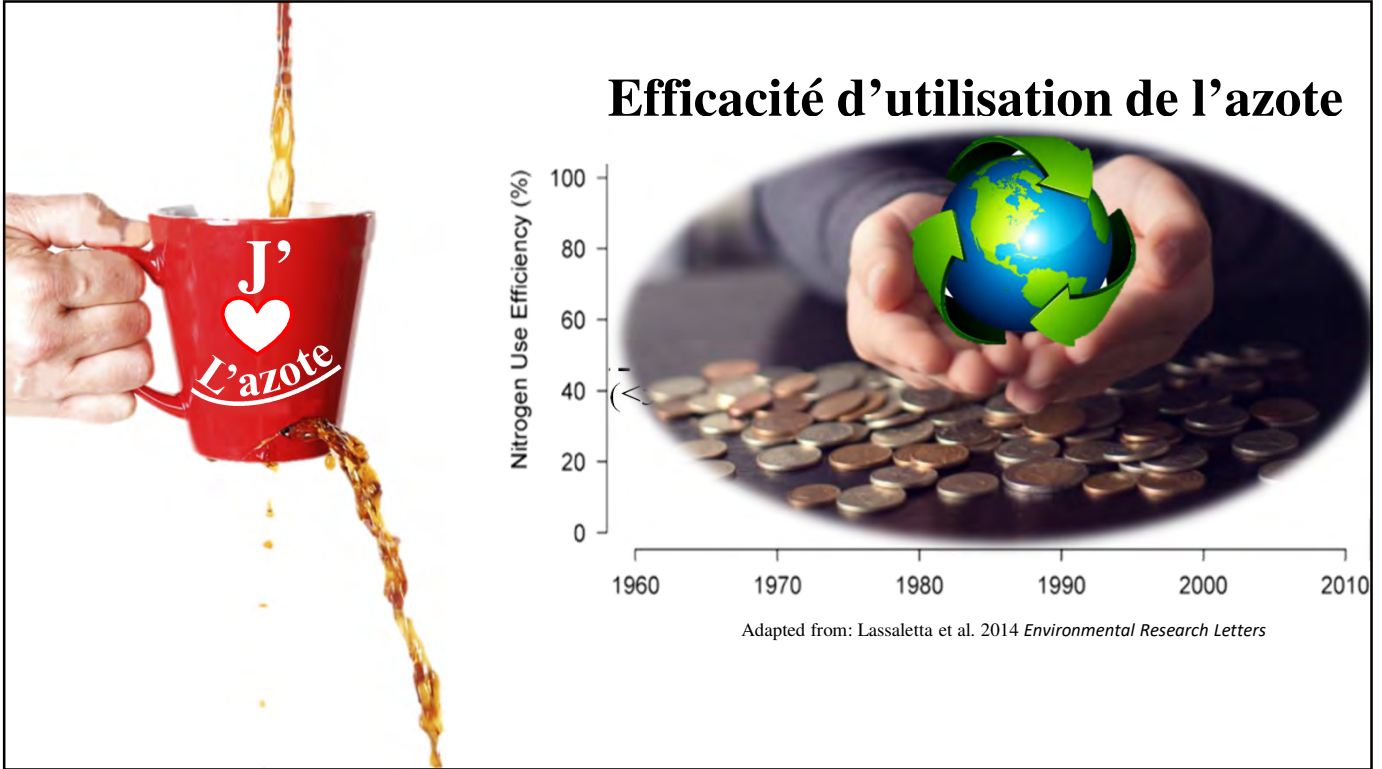
Nitrogen

- ❖ Processus fixant le N dans l'air en ammoniac
- ❖ L'une des plus grandes inventions du 20e siècle
- ❖ Responsable de la moitié de la nourriture mondiale d'aujourd'hui
- ❖ Sans cela, 30 à 40% de la population ne serait pas en vie

La gestion de l'azote

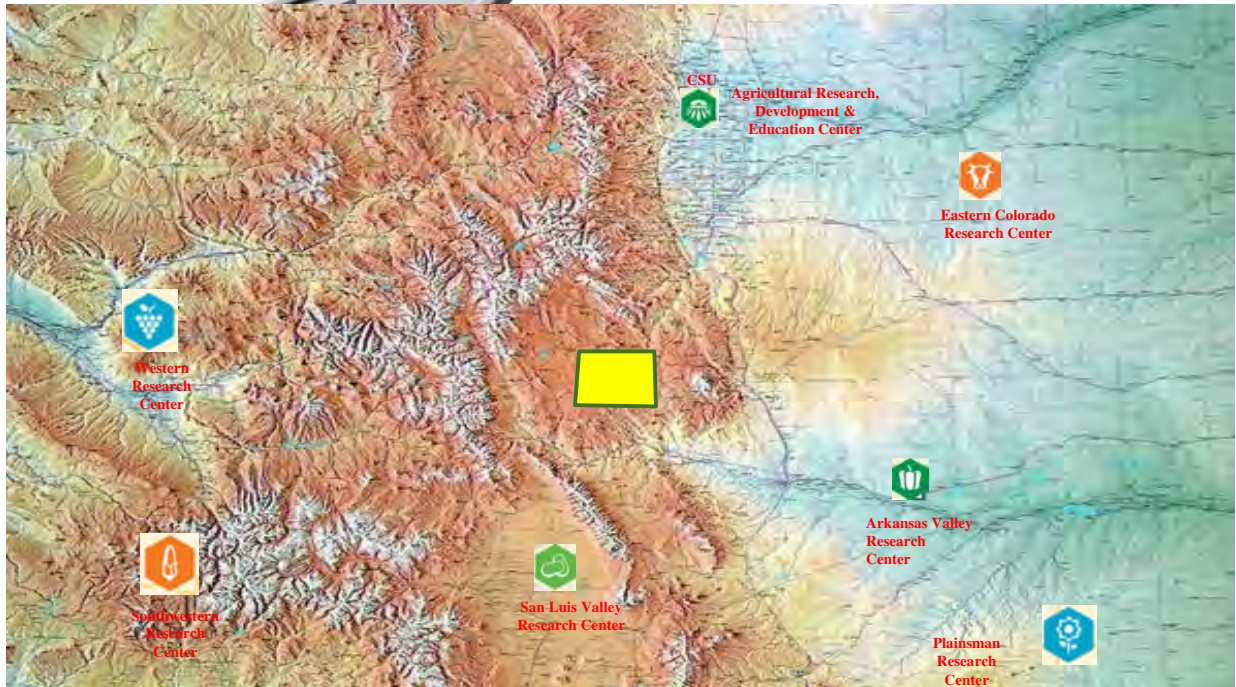
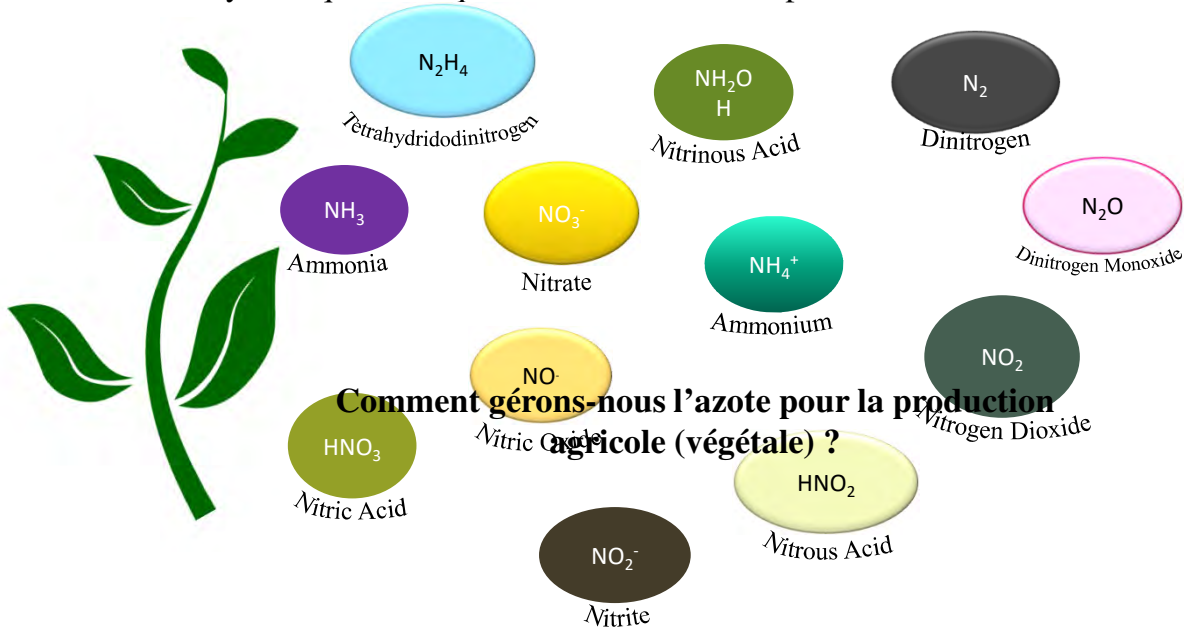


Efficacité d'utilisation de l'azote



Les formes d'azote

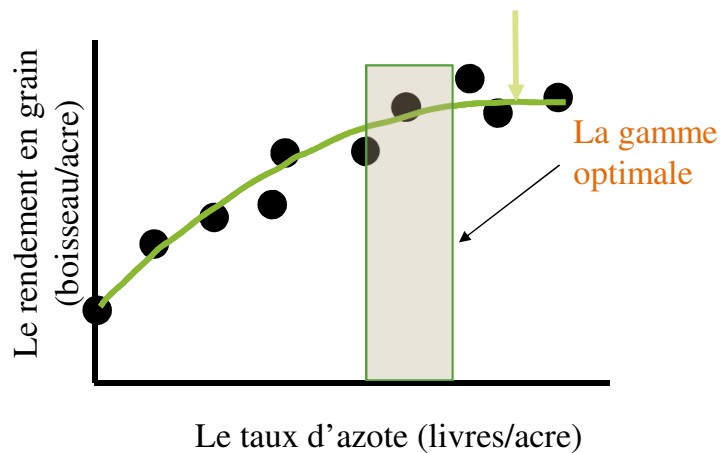
Il n'y en a que deux qui sont accessibles aux plantes : NO_3^- et NH_4^+





Calculer le taux optimal d'azote

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La gestion d'azote

Le taux d'azote recommandé



La gestion d'azote

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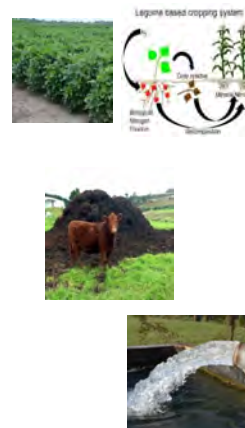
L'estimation des rendements (EY)



Analyse de l'azote (NO₃⁻) du sol



L'azote résiduel dans le sol



Des applications Web

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Un calculateur du taux de l'azote pour le maïs



Des applications Web

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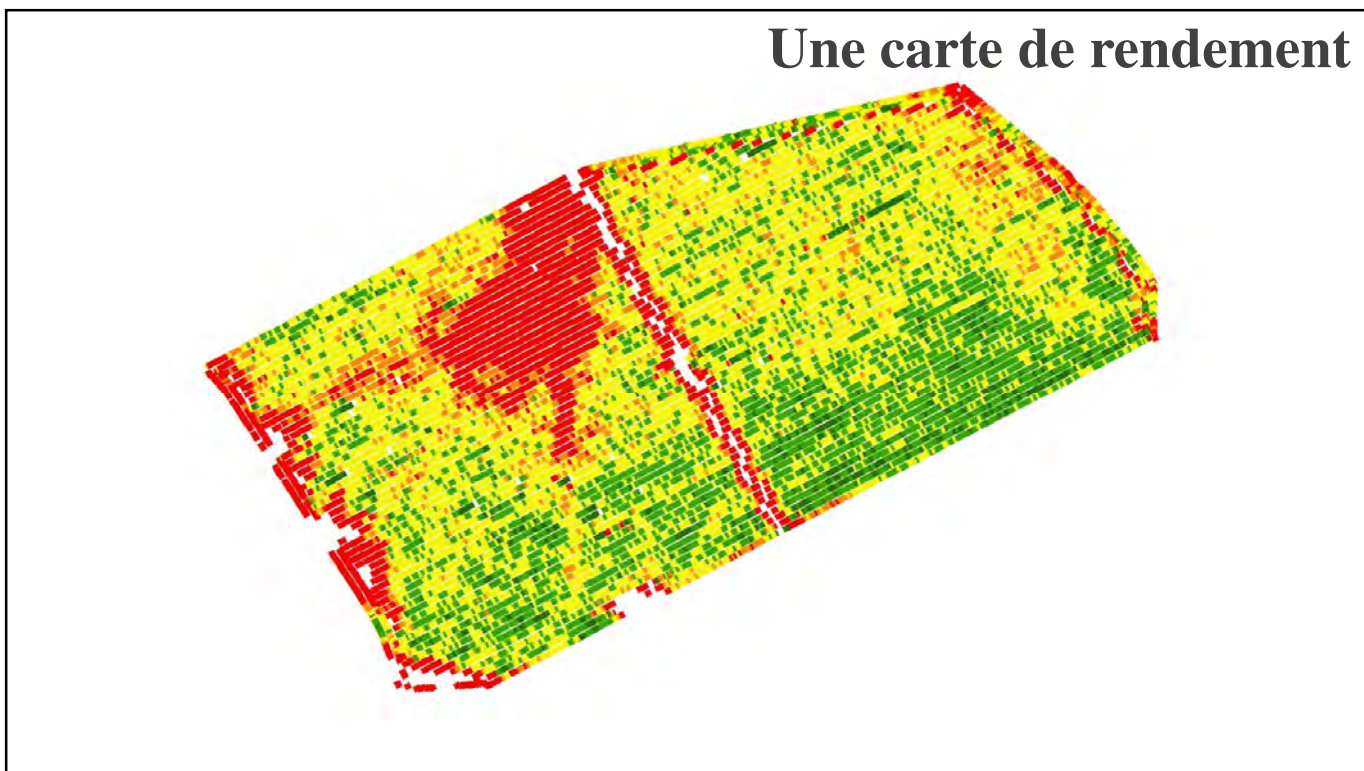


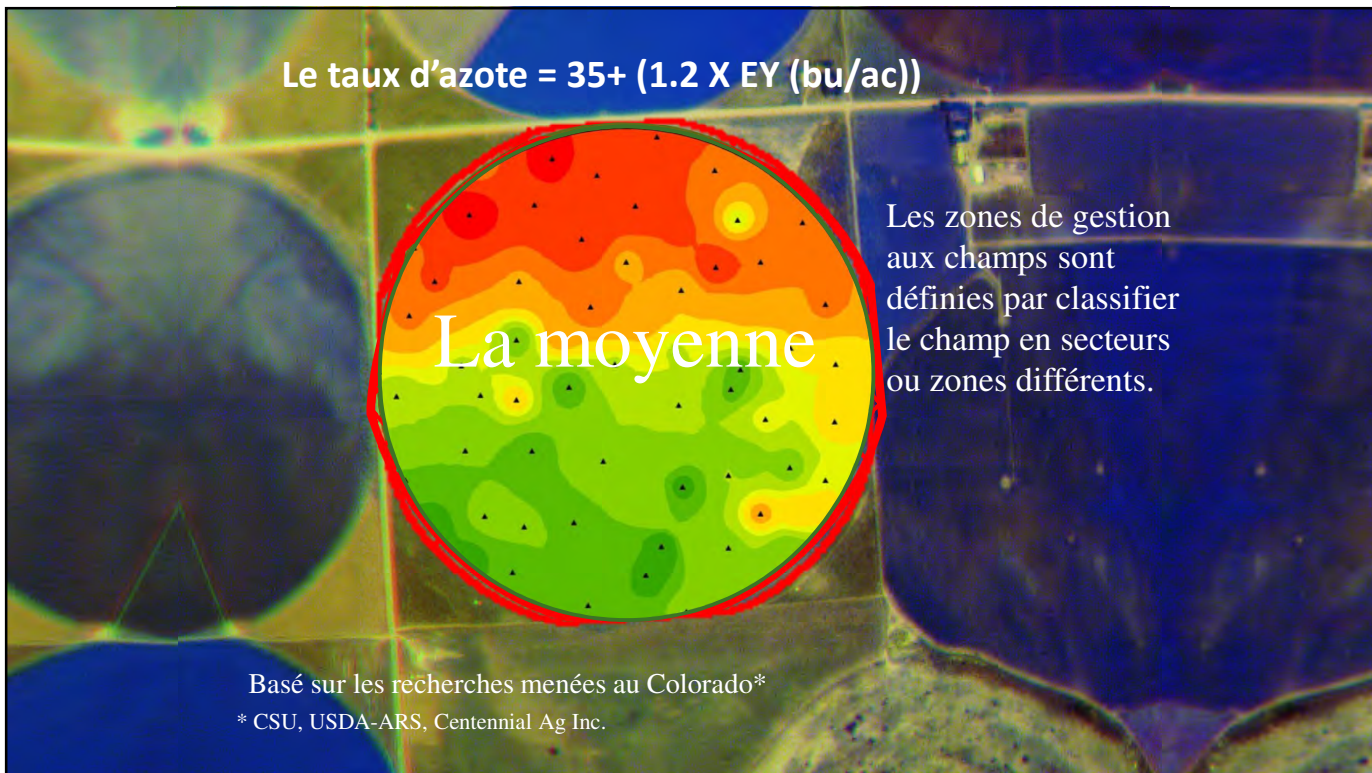
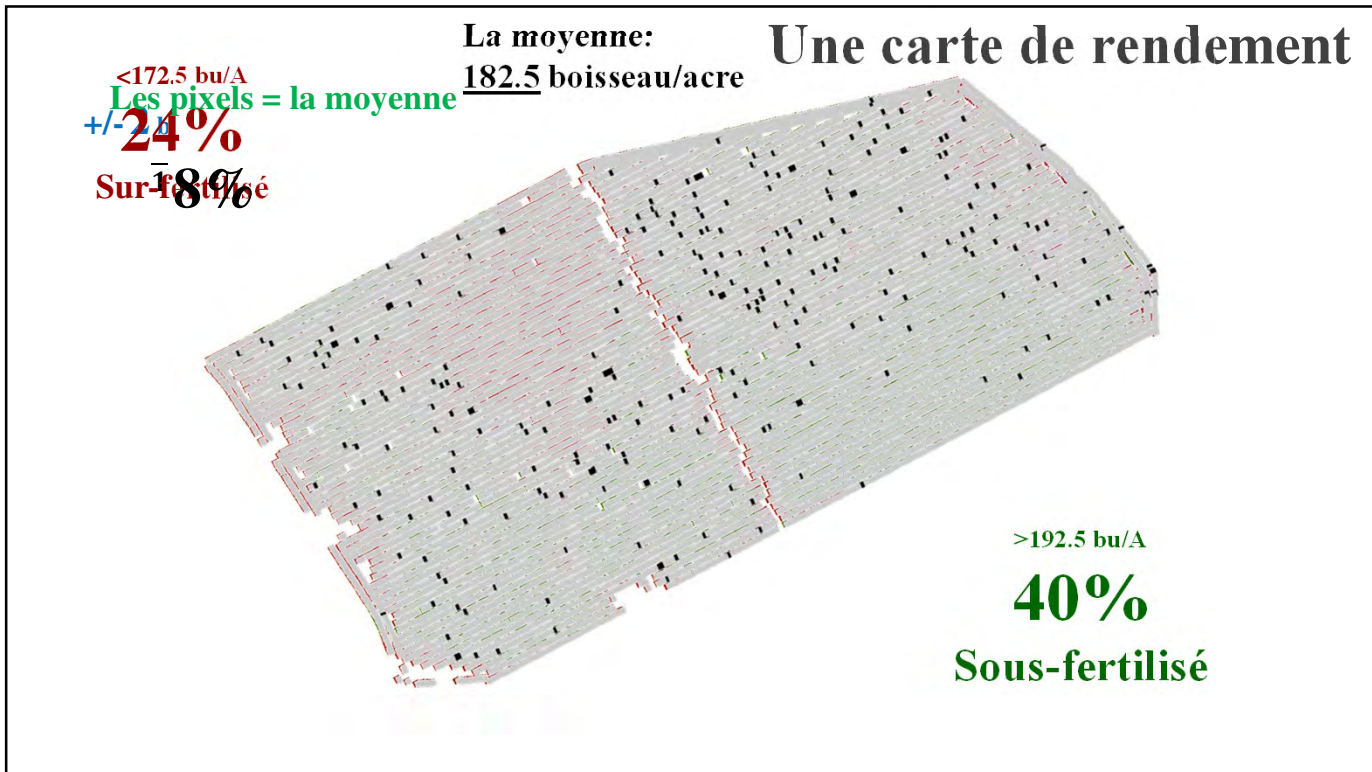
Connaissez-vous des gens qui gèrent encore par la moyenne (de rendement)

Nitrogen Rate (lbs/Acre)

N Rate, lb N/acre







Les zones de gestion

“Une sous-région du champ qui exprime une combinaison homogène des facteurs limitants du rendement”

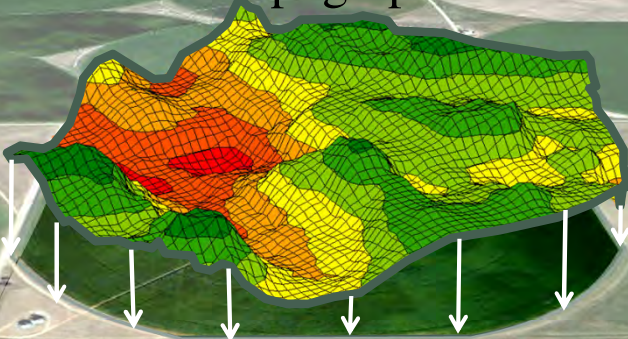
Au Colorado, on a développé **quatre** techniques pour définir les zones de gestion





Les zones de gestion...

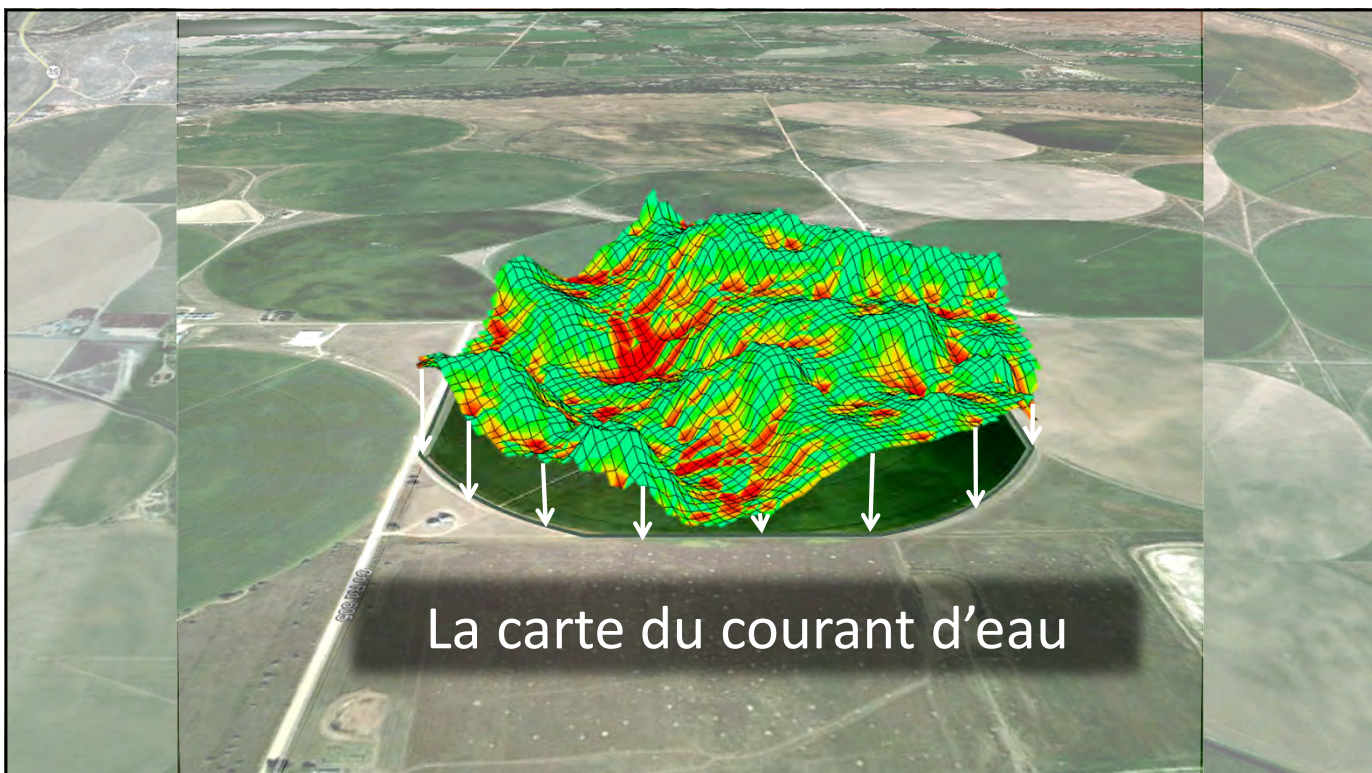
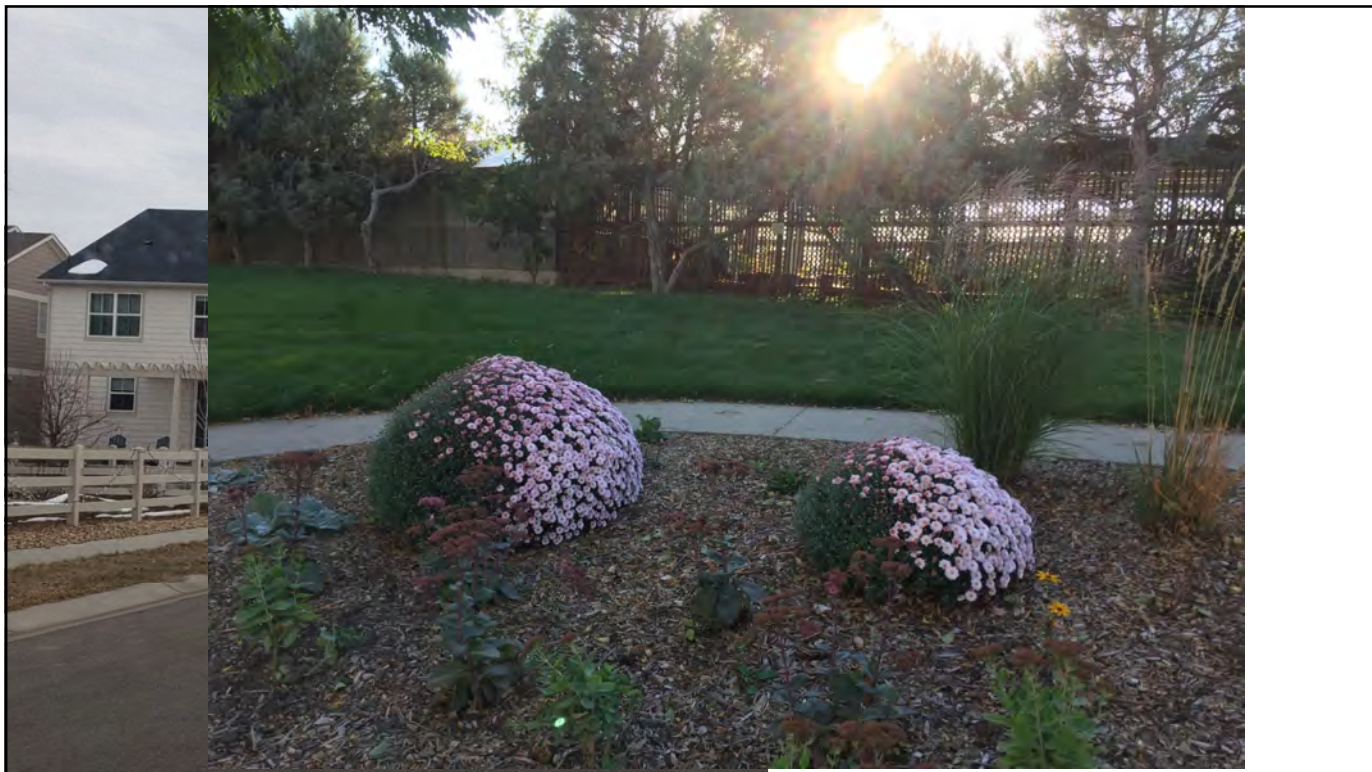
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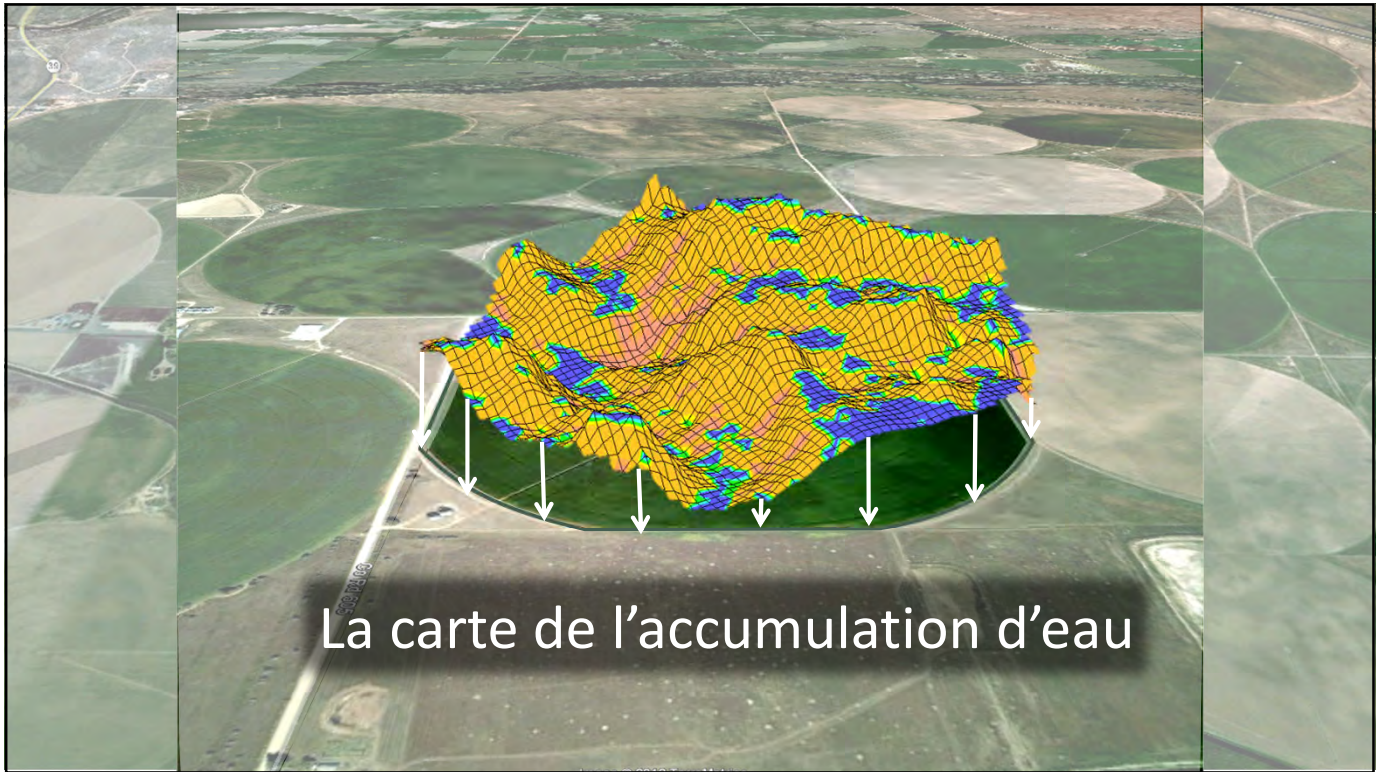


La carte d'élévation

Les rendements en graine correspondent à la topographie

The complex block features an aerial view of the same farm as the top image. Overlaid on the central field is a 3D topographic map. The map is a grid of colored squares, with colors ranging from green (low elevation) to red (high elevation). White arrows point downwards from the 3D map to the ground below, indicating the spatial correlation between the topography and the field's layout. The text 'La carte d'élévation' is written in white on a dark grey rectangular background. Below it, another dark grey box contains the text 'Les rendements en graine correspondent à la topographie'.





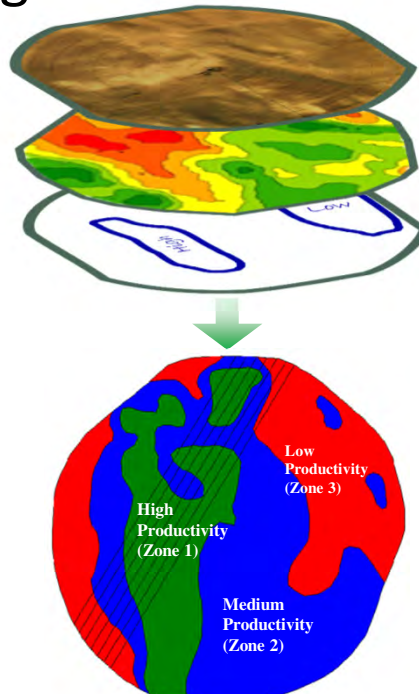
Les zones de gestion...

Les trois couches de données

- ✓ Les images aériennes
- ✓ La topographie
- ✓ L'expérience de l'agriculteur(trice)

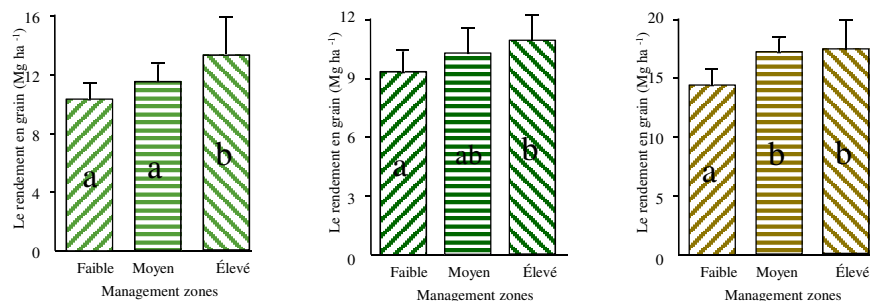
sont empilées (superposées) comme couches de SIG pour distinguer la zone

Des traits comme une couleur foncée, une basse topographie, et un rendement historiquement élevé permettent de désigner une zone potentiellement plus productive ou une zone élevée



Les zones de gestion...

La moyenne de rendement en grain à travers les zones de gestion



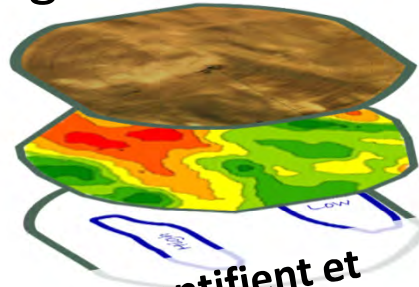
Up to 46% reduction in N loadings without impairing grain yields

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Les zones de gestion...

The three data layers

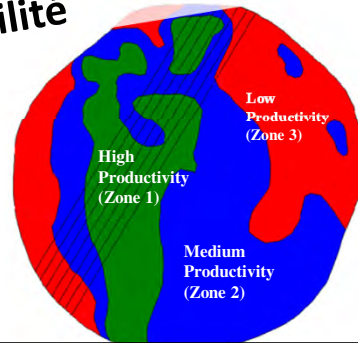
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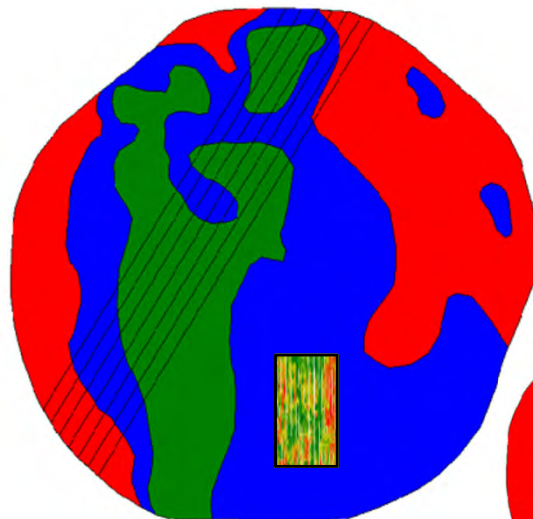
Les zones basées sur le sol quantifient et gèrent la macro-variabilité



are based on...
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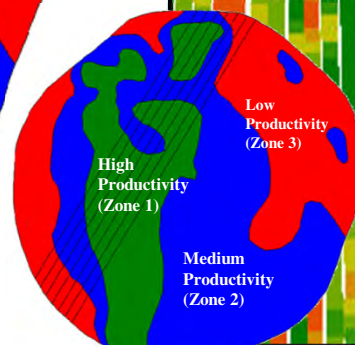


Gestion basée sur le sol



Macrovariabilité

Microvariabilité



Associer les zones de gestion aux détecteurs proximaux

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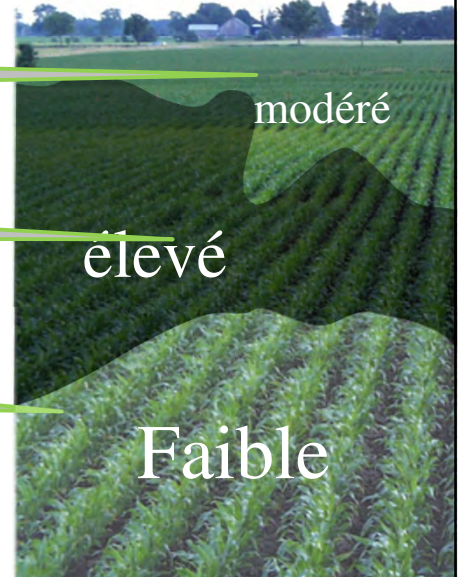
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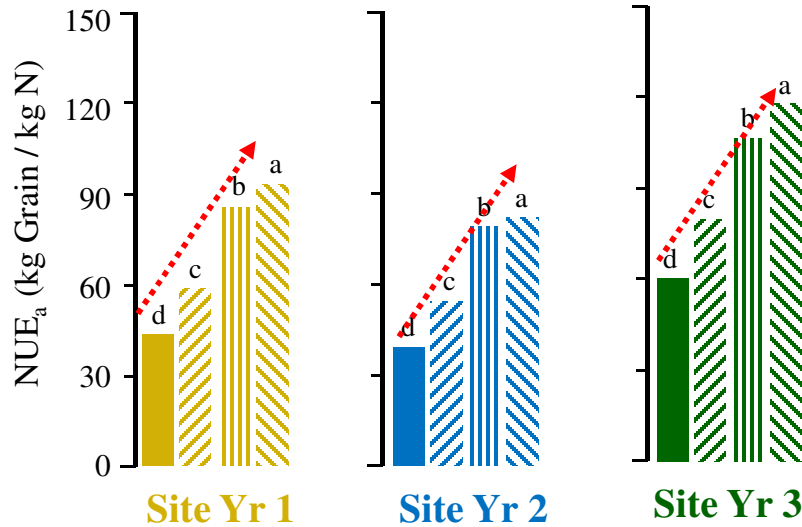
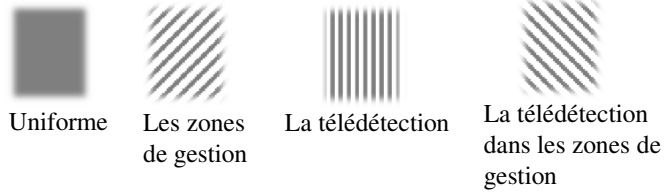
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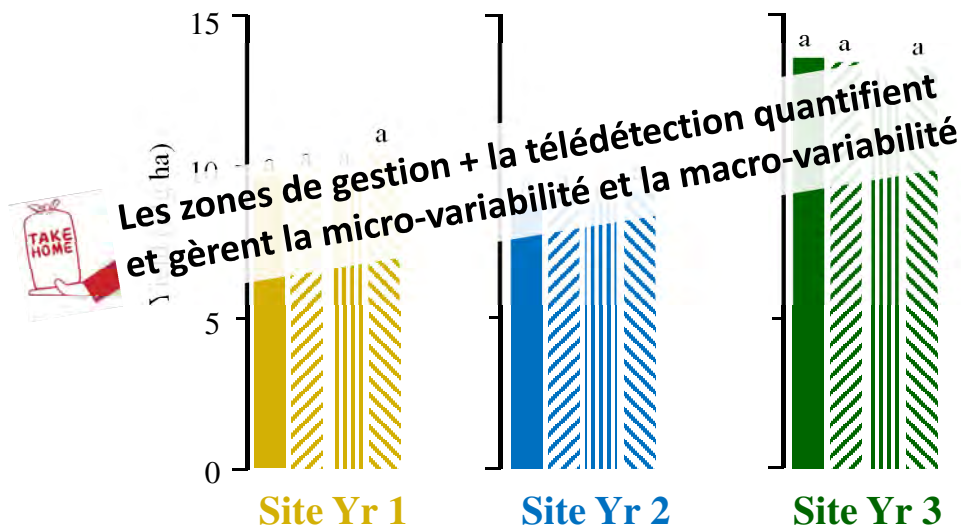
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L'efficacité d'utilisation de l'azote ?



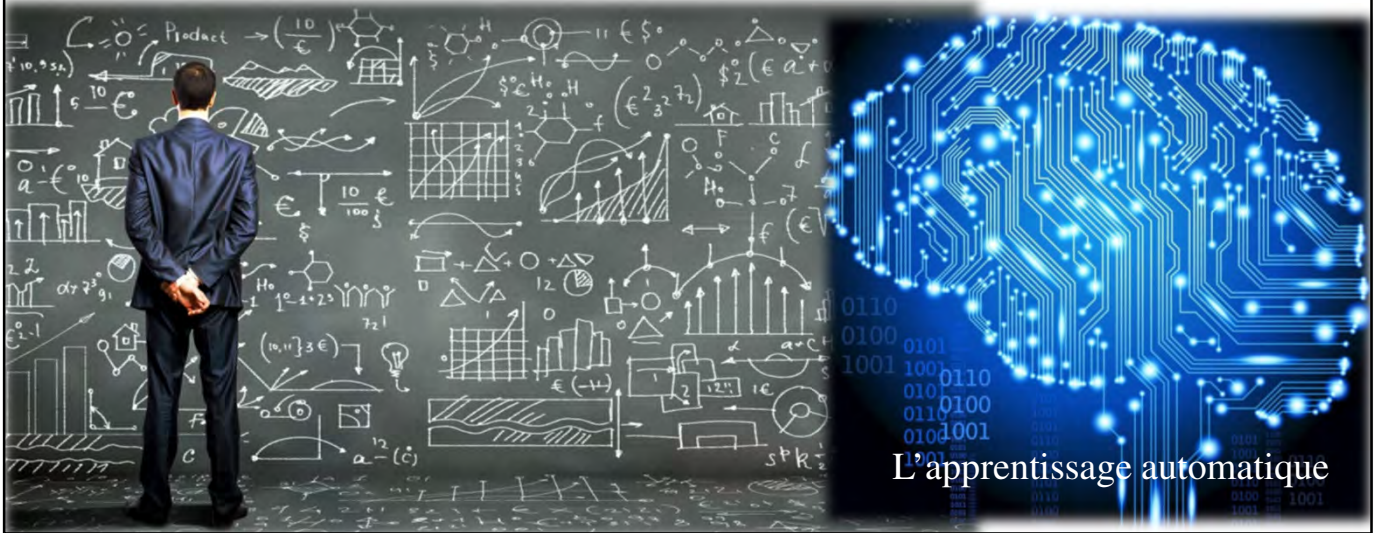
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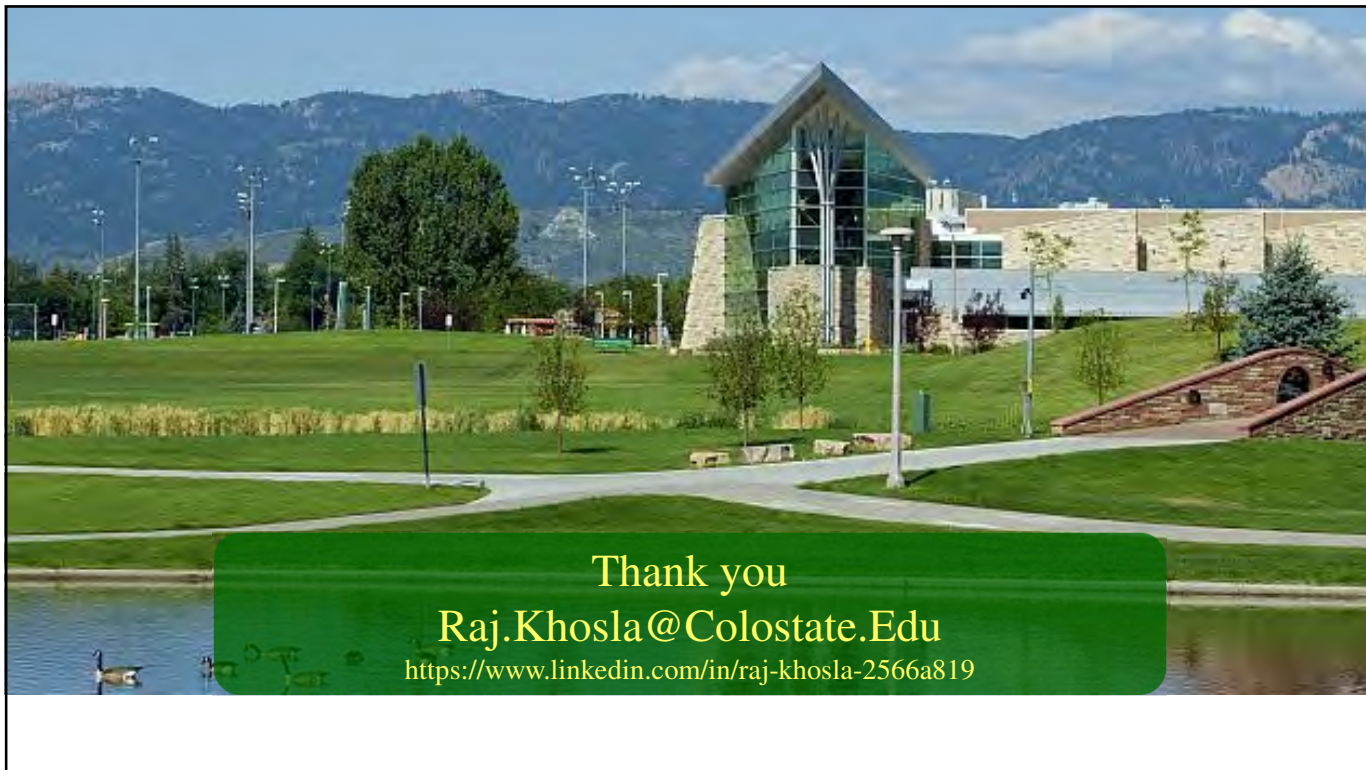


A Way Forward

La voie de l'avenir

Il y aura encore plus de modèles de sol et de la culture qui englobent plusieurs d'autres paramètres sensibles



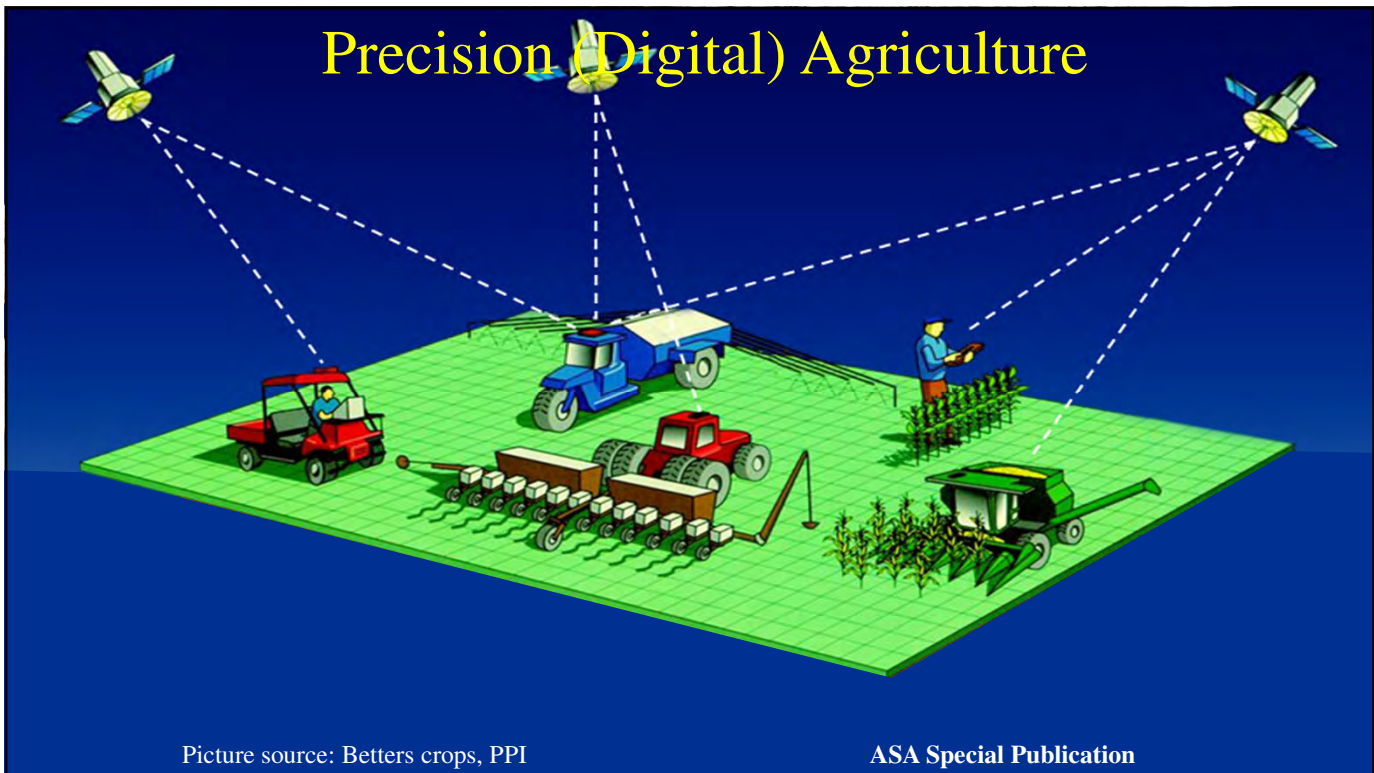
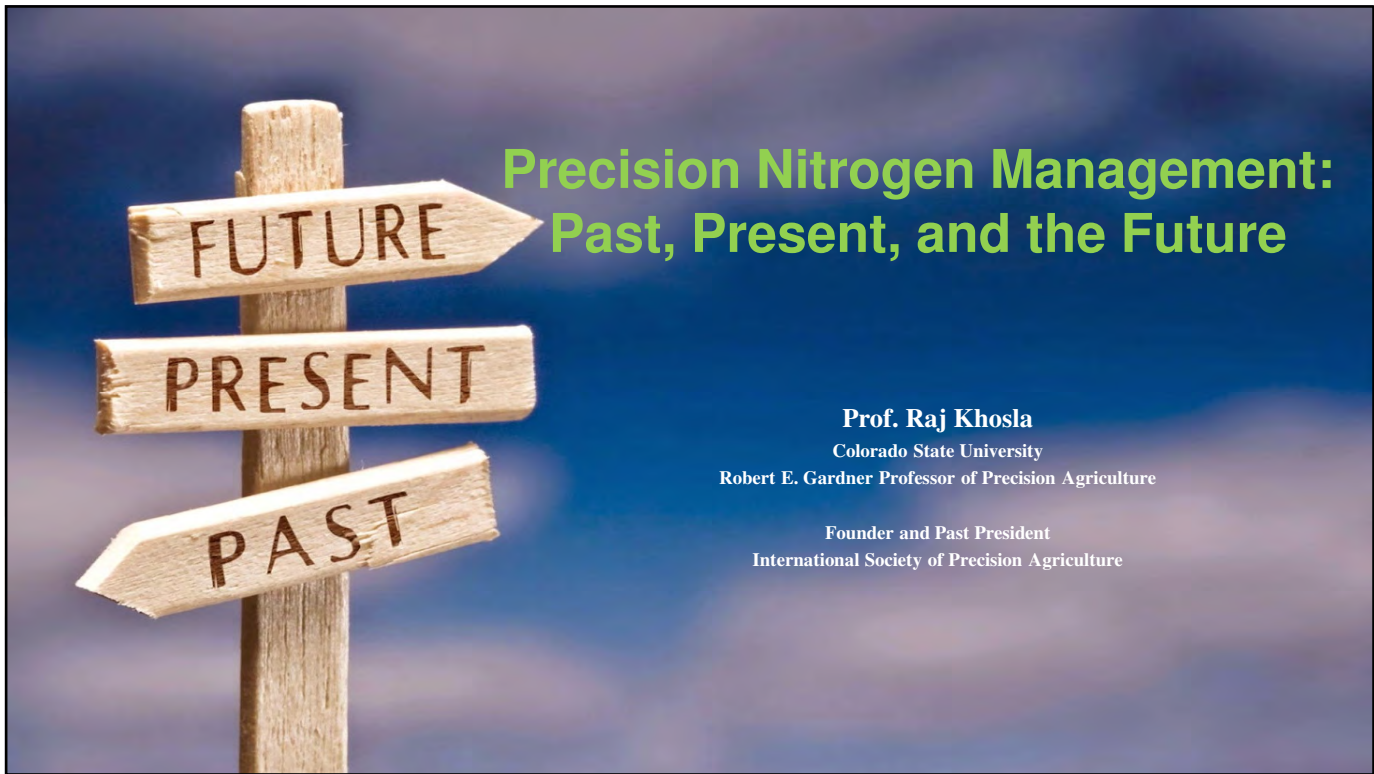


Thank you

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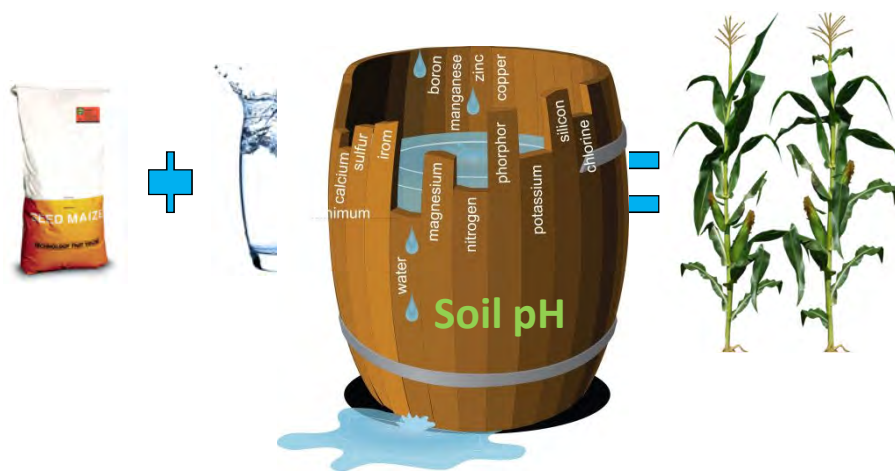




Precision (Digital) Agriculture...



Basic agronomy



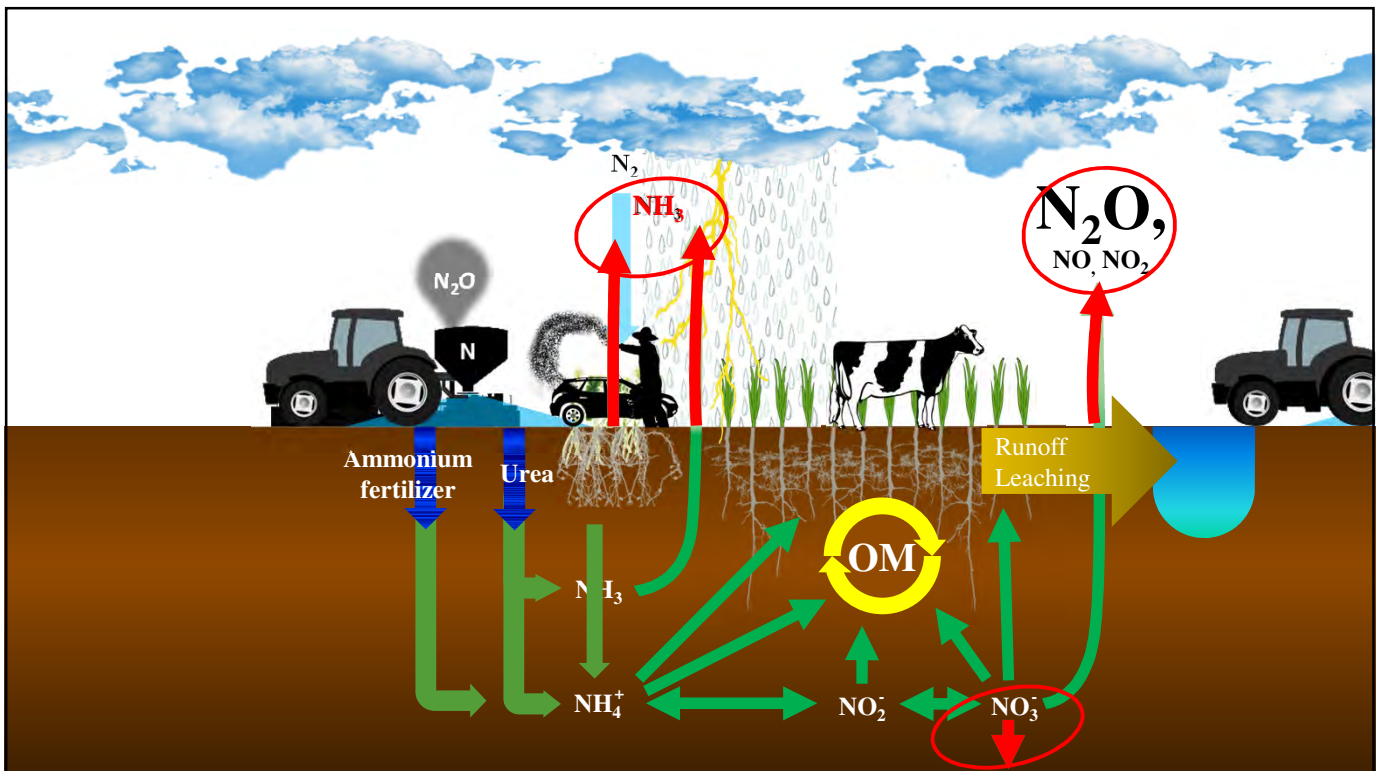
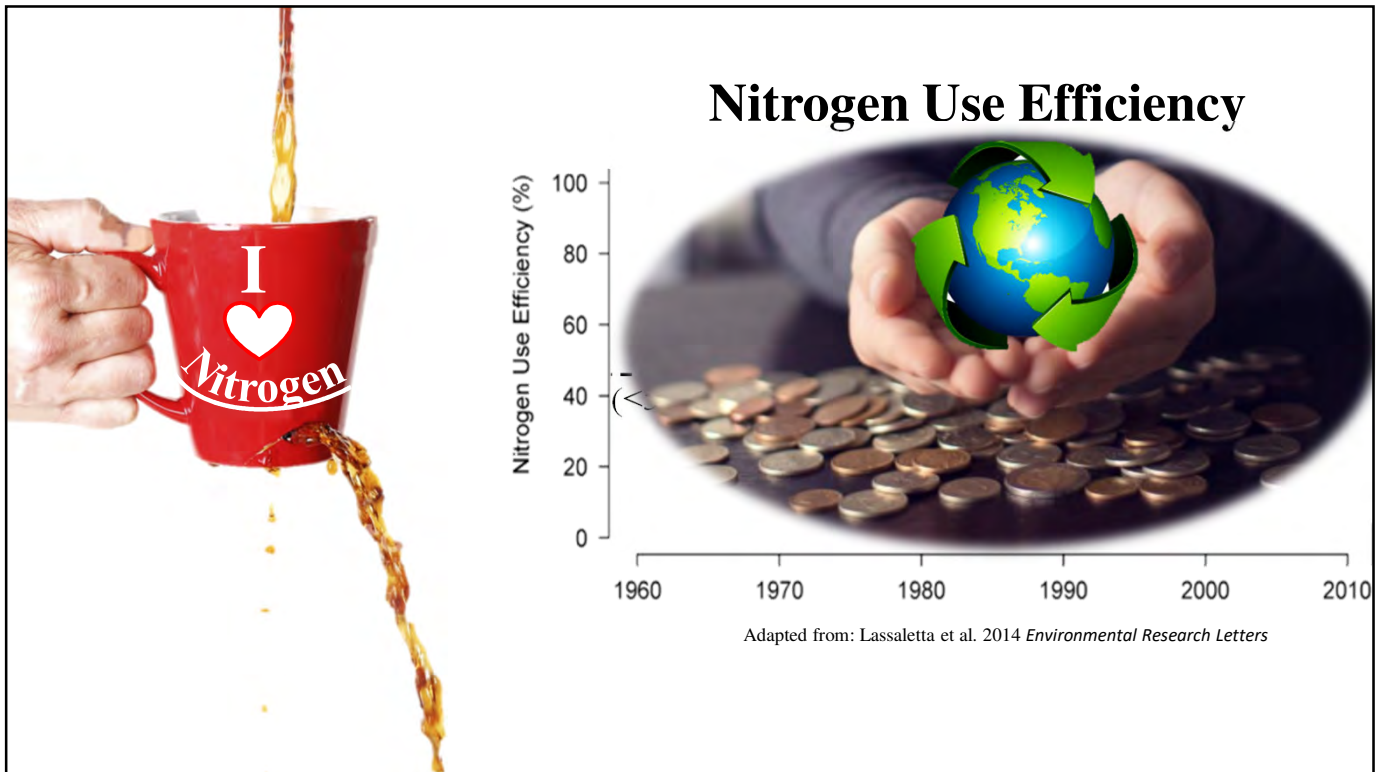
Law of limiting factors

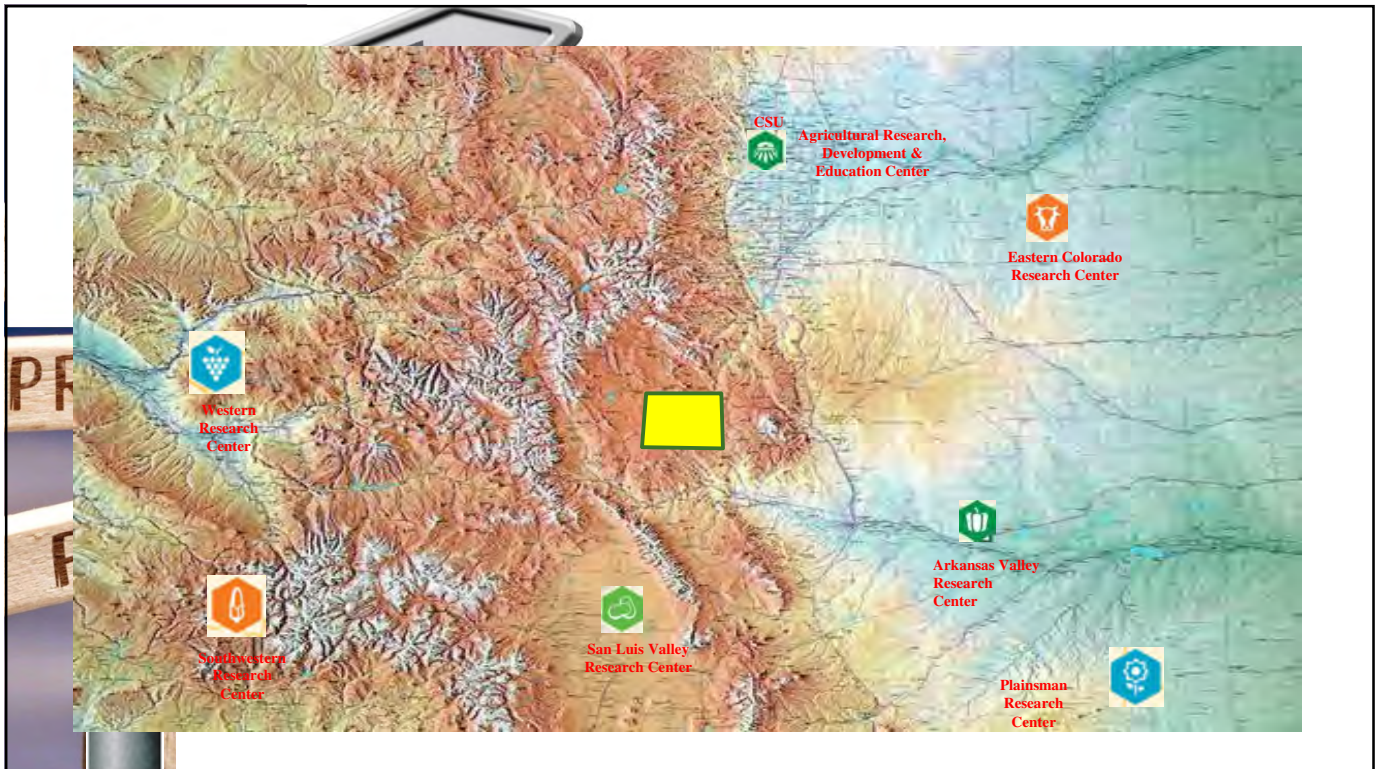
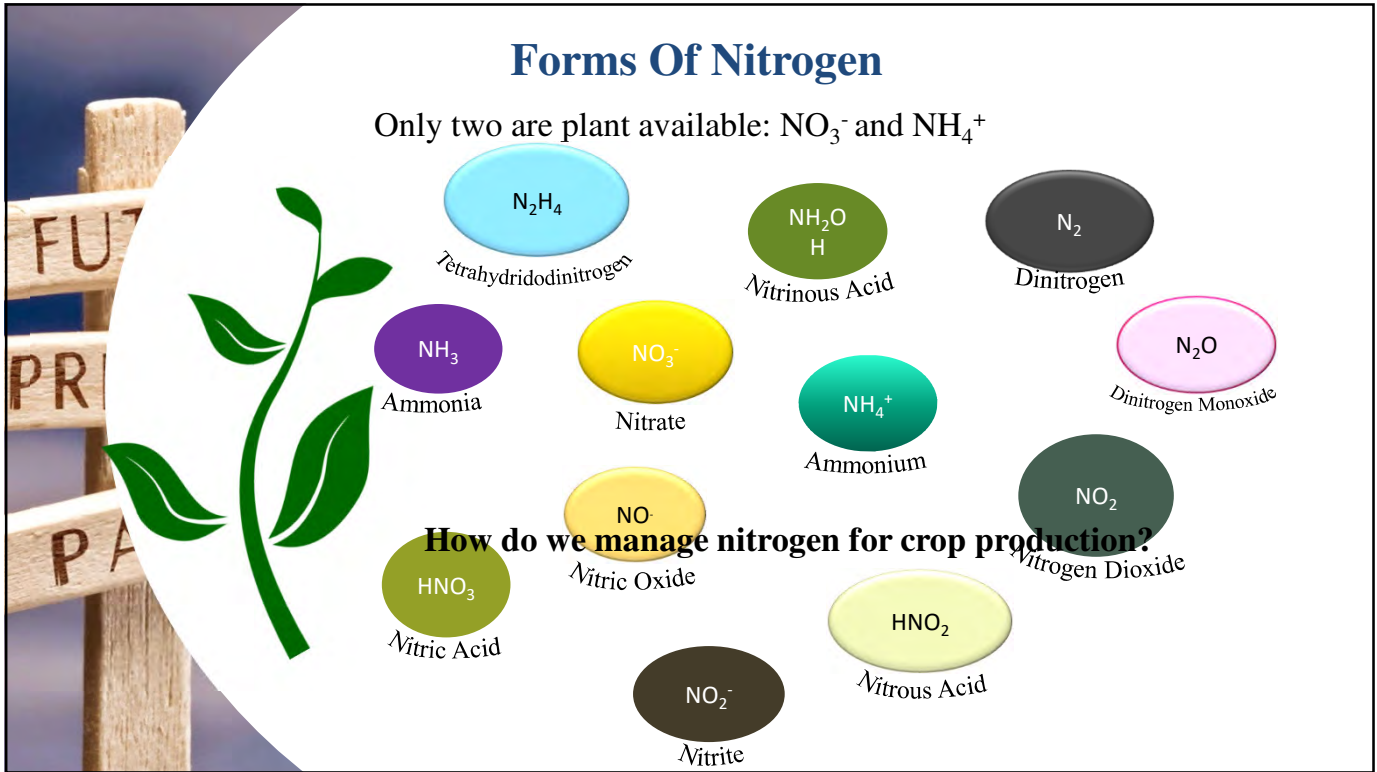
HABER-BOSCH PROCESS

Nitrogen

- ❖ Process fixing N in the air into ammonia
- ❖ One of the greatest inventions of the 20th century
- ❖ Responsible for half of today's world food
- ❖ Without it, 30-40% of population would not be alive

Nitrogen management

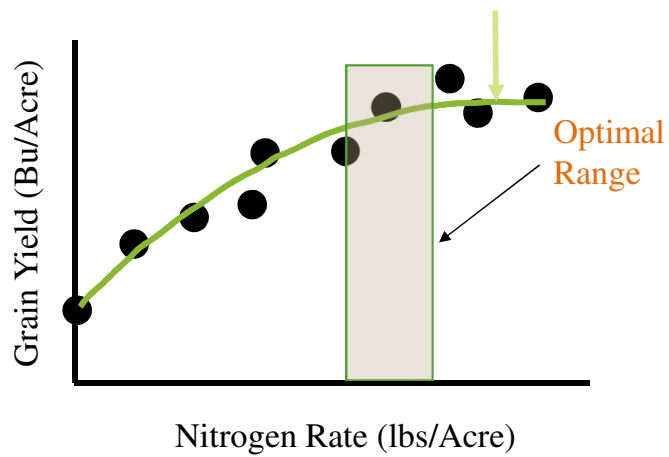






Calculating the Optimal N Rate

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N Management

N Rate Recommendation



N Management

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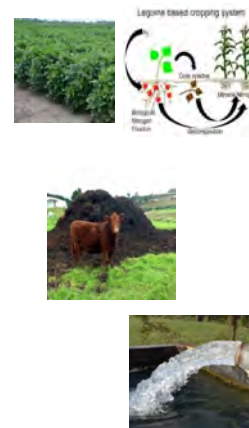
Estimated Yield (EY)



Soil N Test



N Credits



Web Applications

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Com Nitrogen Rate Calculator



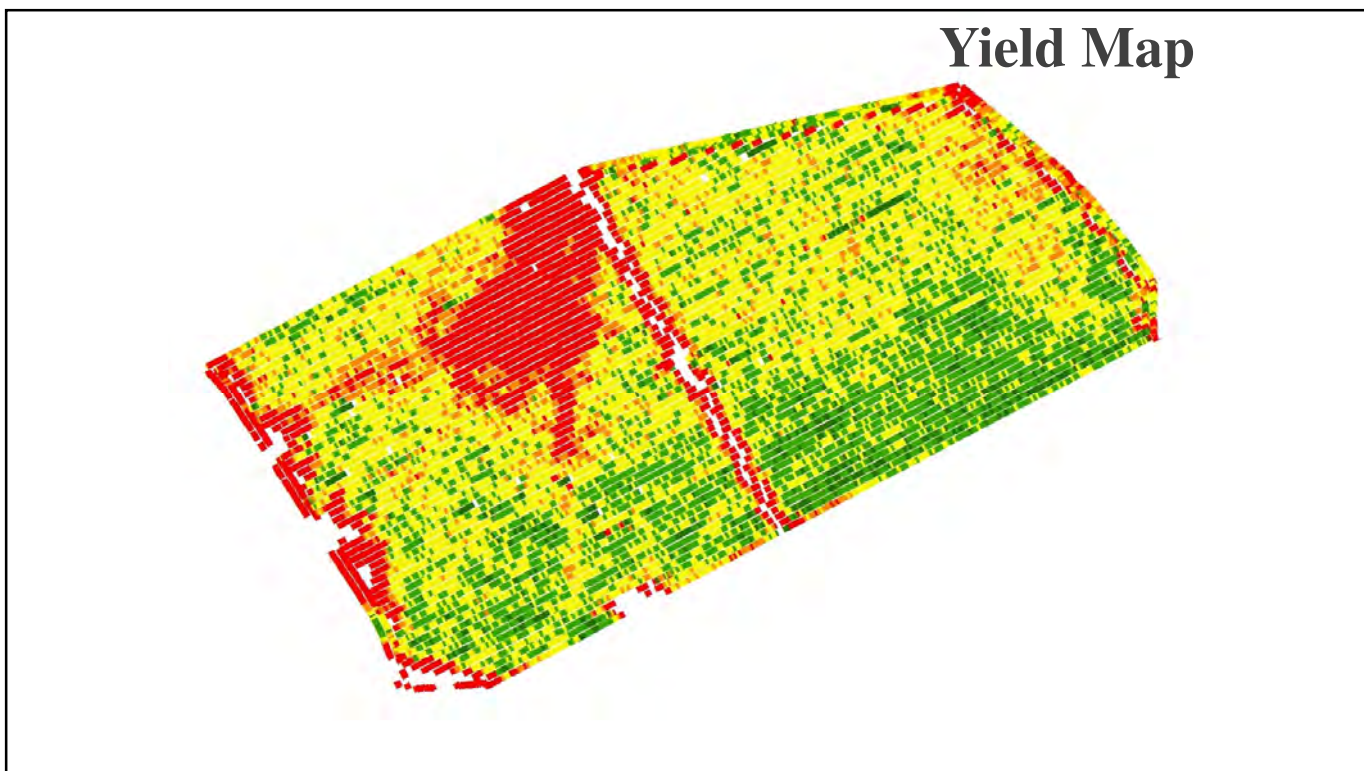
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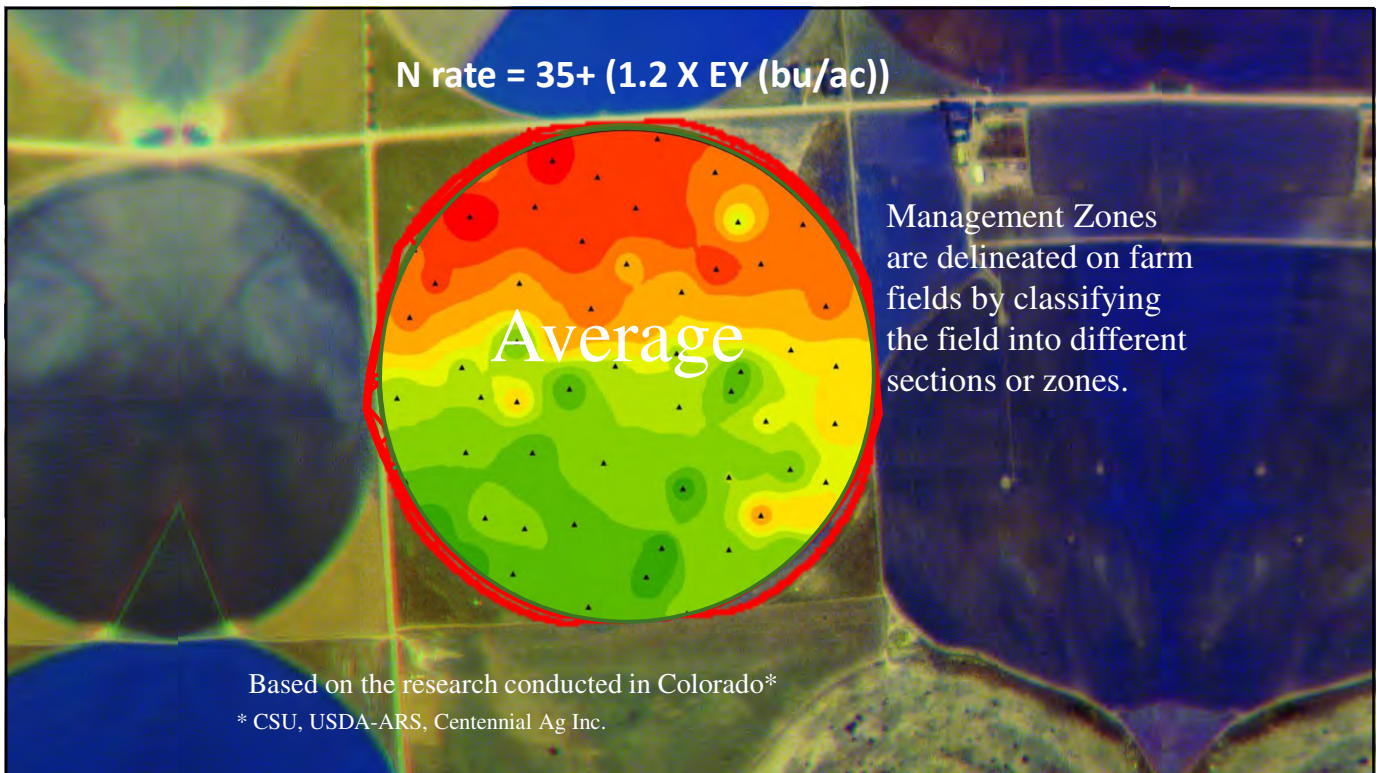
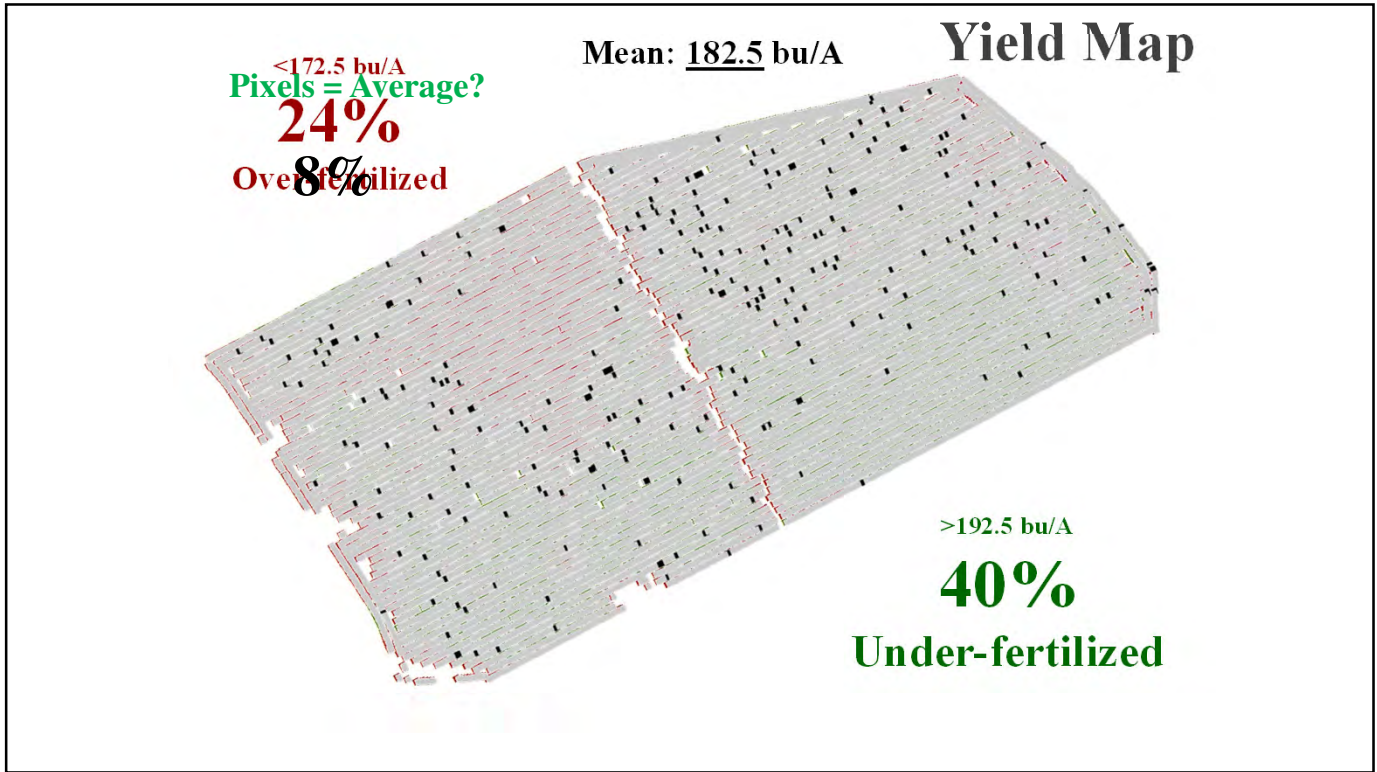
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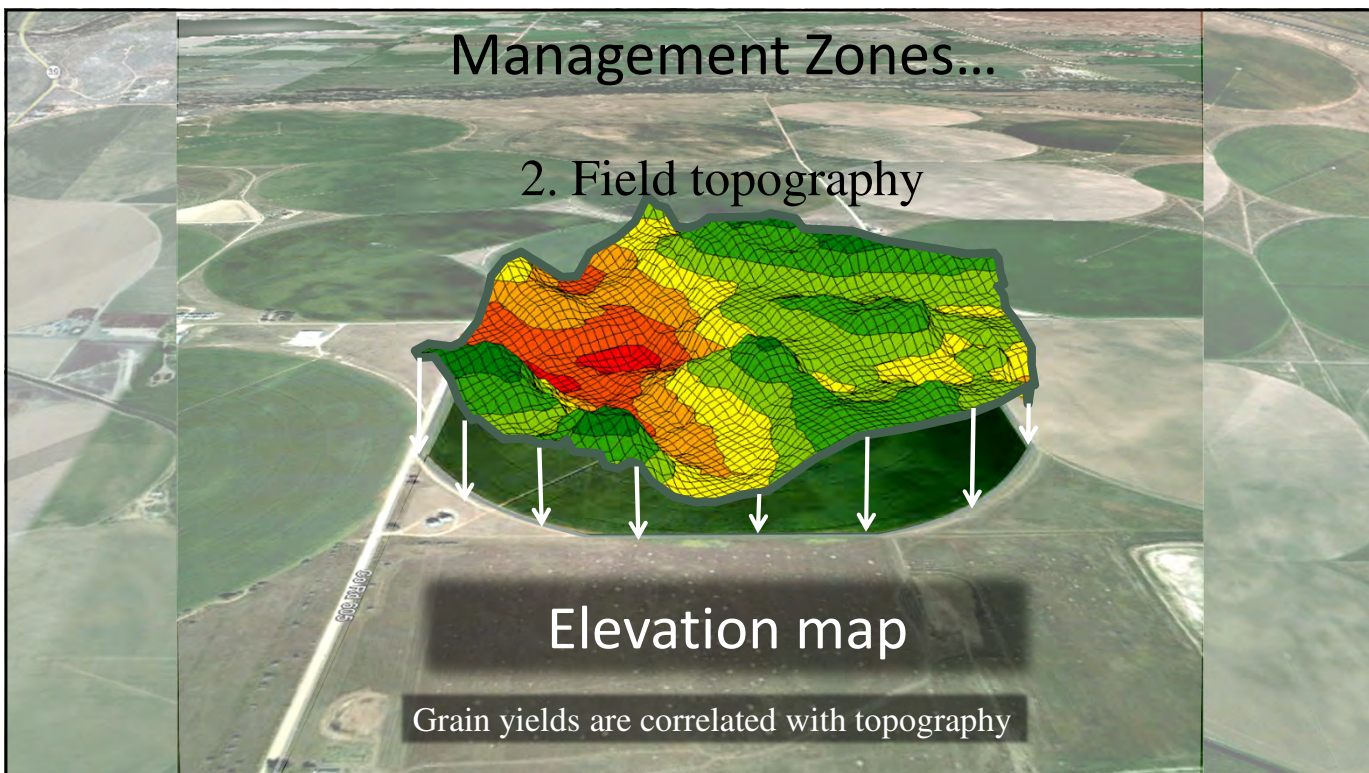


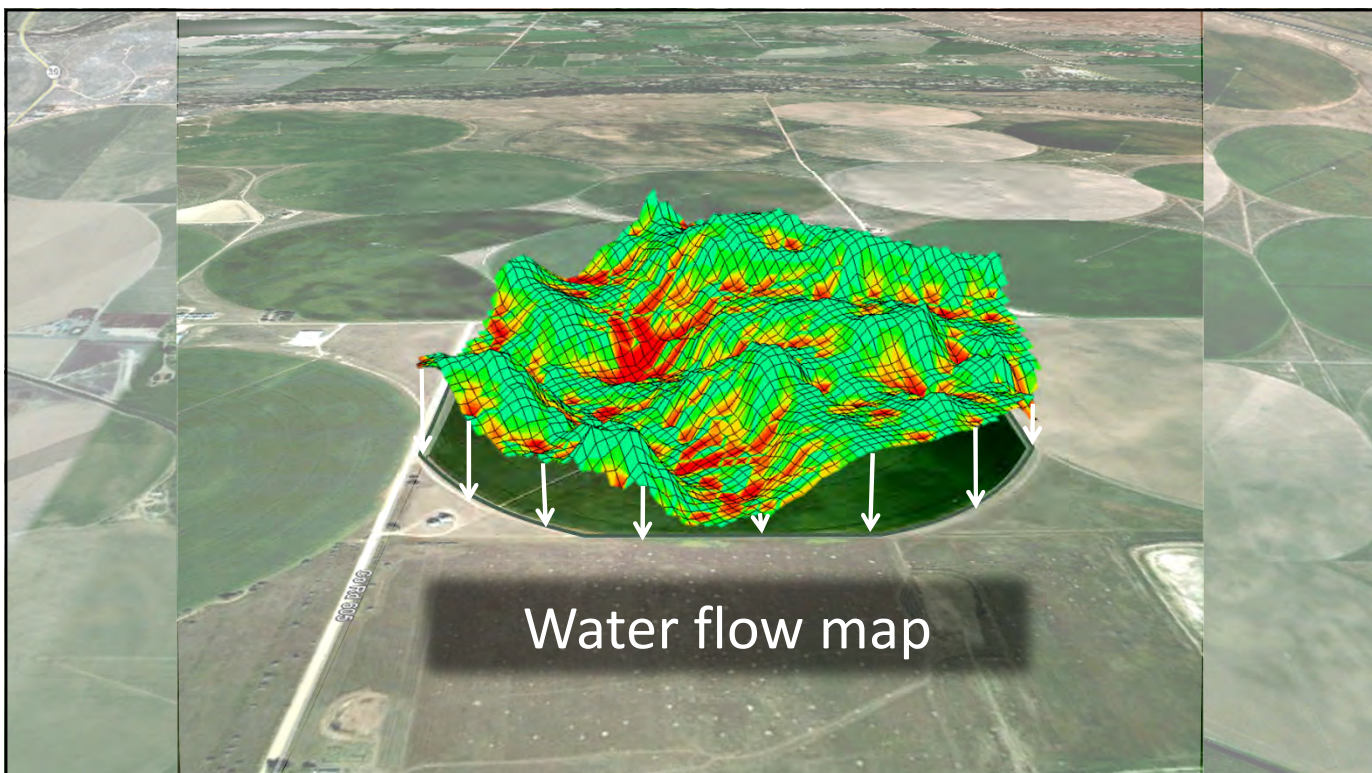
Management Zones

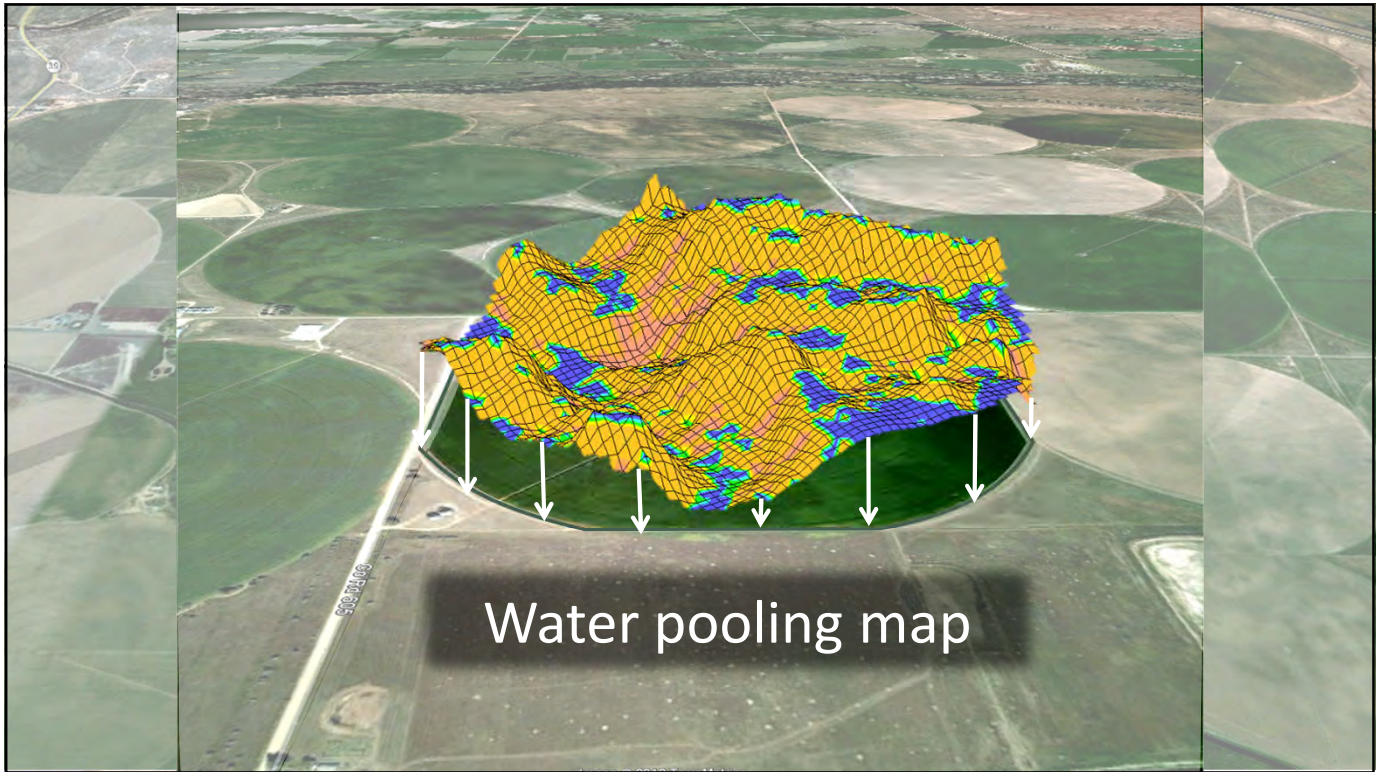
“A sub-region of a field that expresses a homogeneous combination of yield limiting factors”

In Colorado, we have developed **four** techniques of delineating management zones





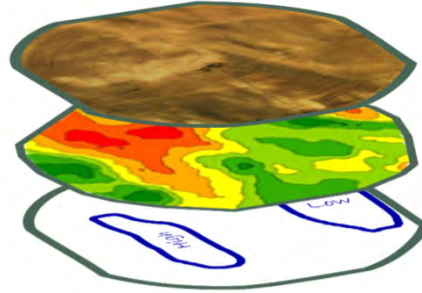




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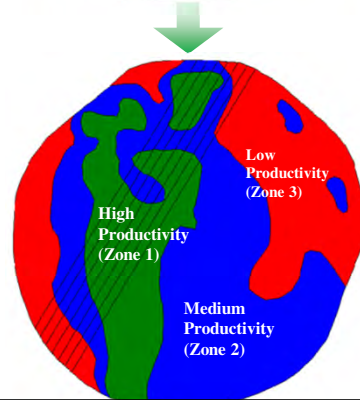
The three data layers

- ✓ Aerial Imagery
- ✓ Topography
- ✓ Farmer's experience



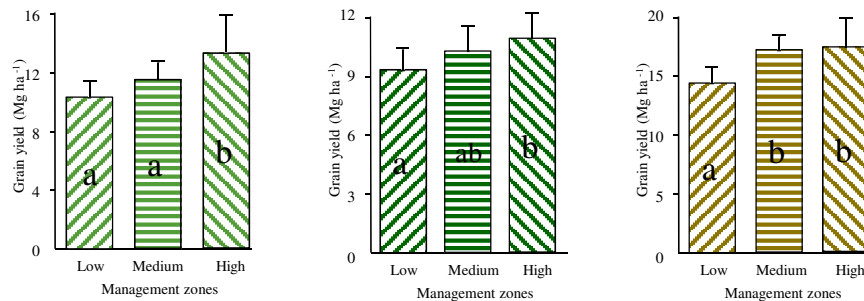
are stacked as GIS layers to delineate the zone

Traits such as dark color, low-lying topography, and historic high yields were designated as a zone of potentially high productivity or high zone



Management zones...

Mean grain yield across MZs



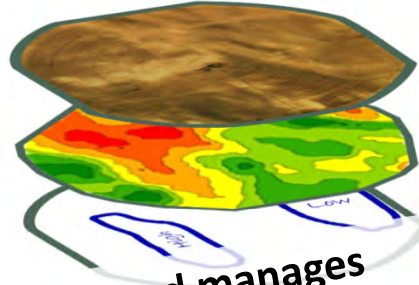
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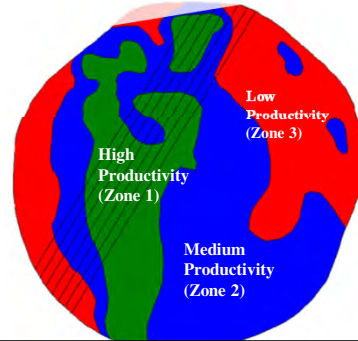
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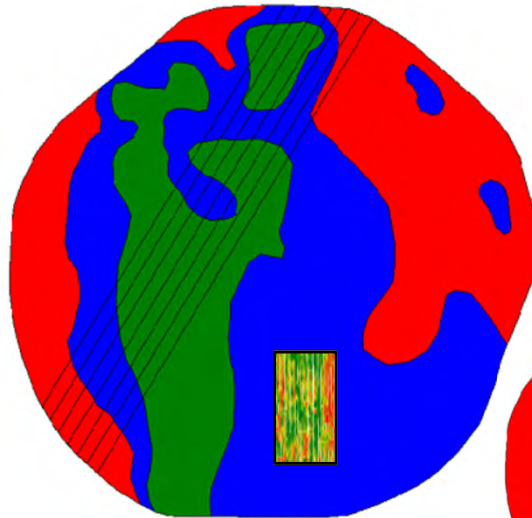
Soil based zones quantifies and manages macro-variability



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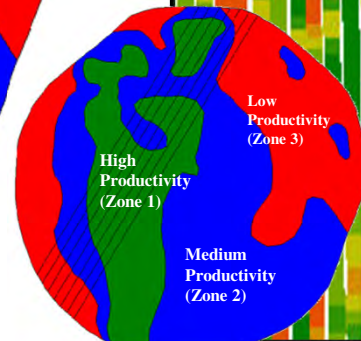
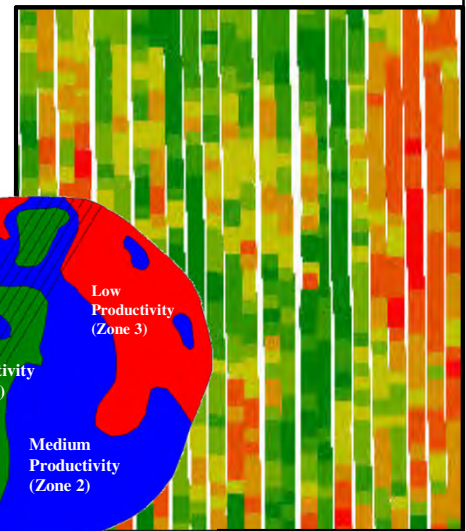


Soil Based Management



Macro-variability

Micro-variability



Proximal Sensing: Crop Based Management

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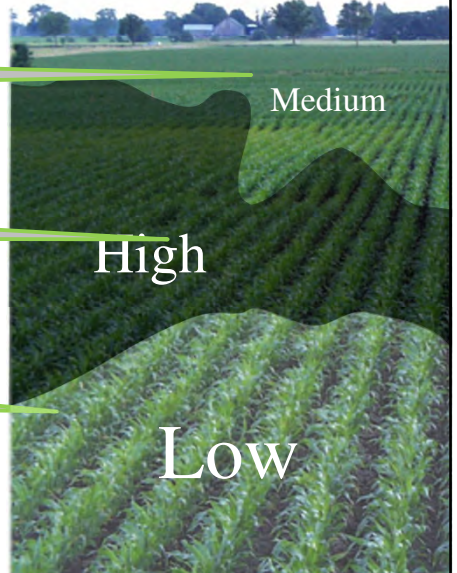
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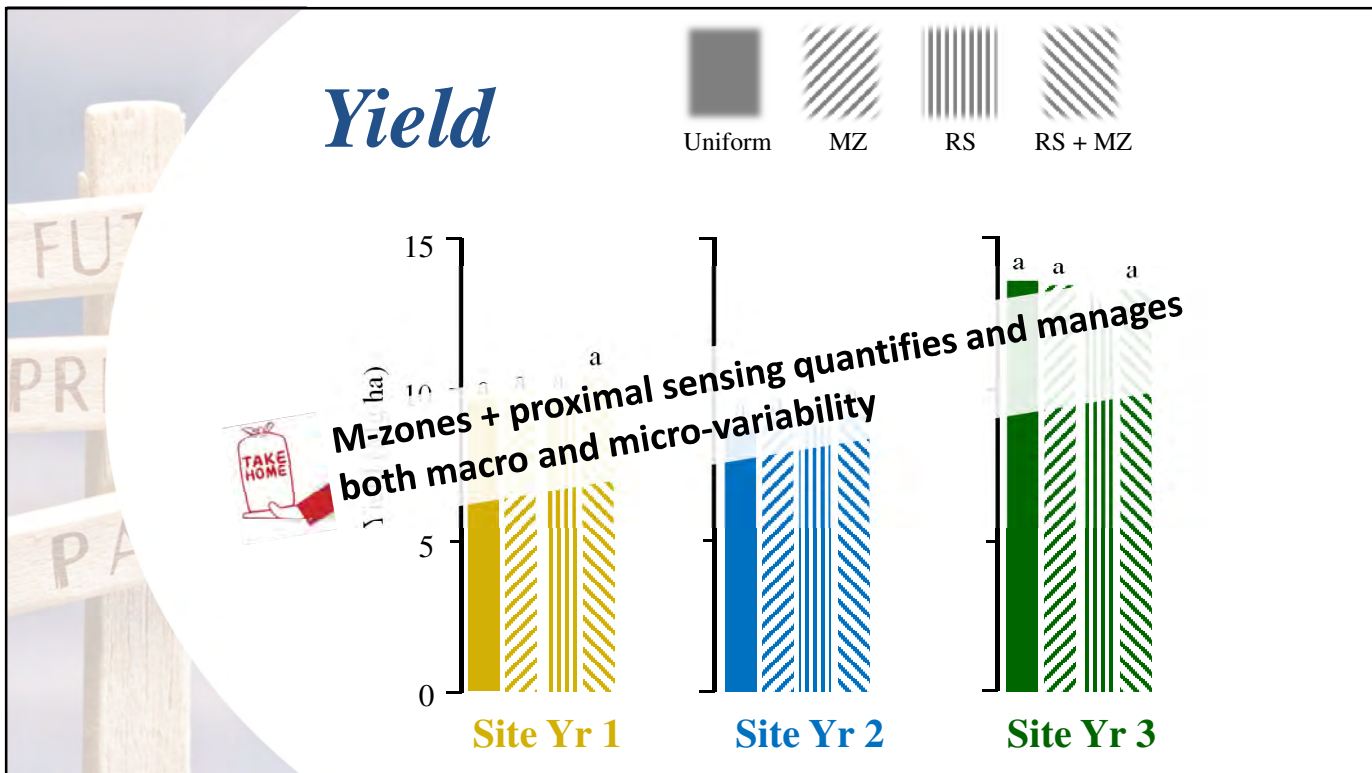
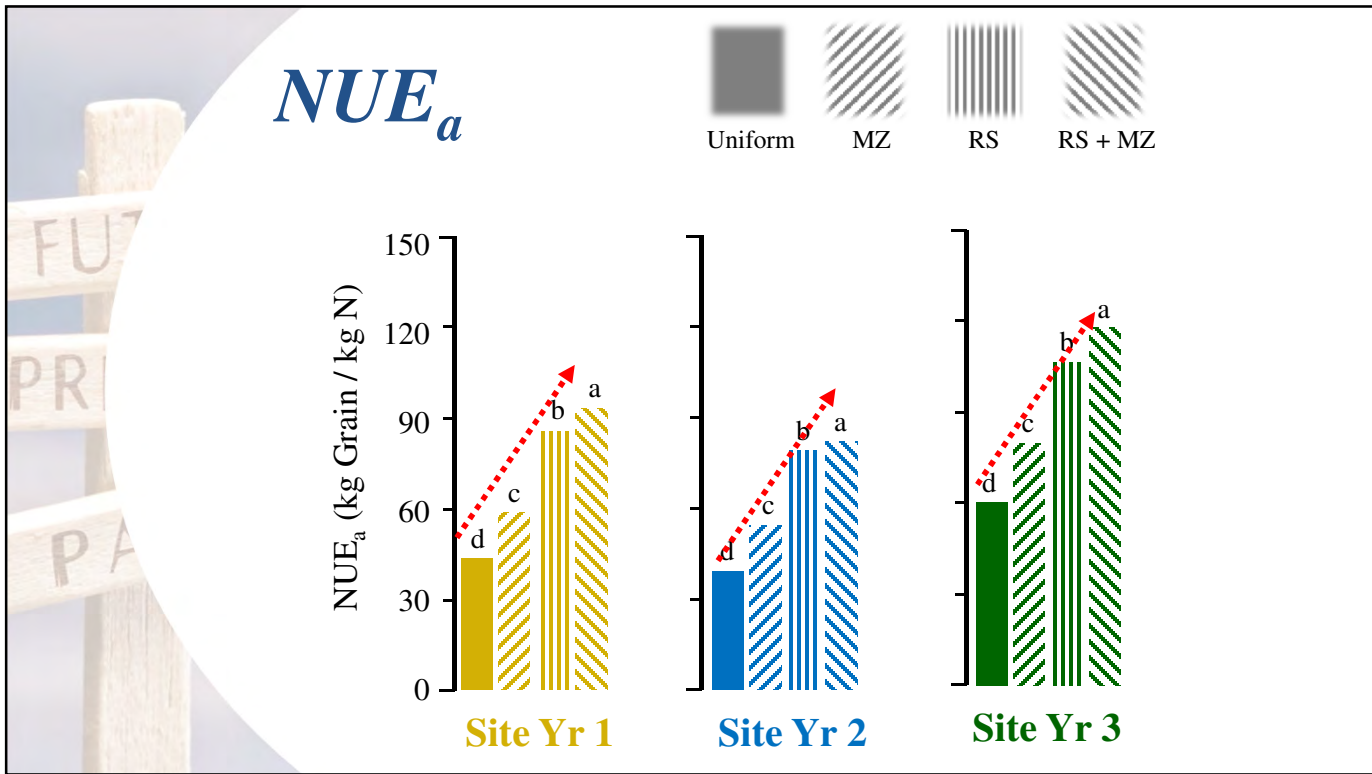
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A Way Forward

There will be even more complex soil and crop models that encompass many other sensitive parameters



Machine learning



NASA TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM SPINOFF

Sensors Enable Plants to Text Message Farmers

Energy and Environment

NASA Technology

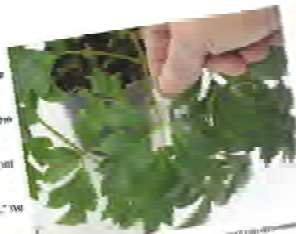
Long-term human spaceflight means long-term menu planning. Since every pound of cargo comes with a steep price tag, NASA has long researched technologies and techniques to allow astronauts to grow their own food, both on the journey and in some cases at their destination. Sustainable food technologies designed for space have resulted in spinoffs that improve the nutrition, safety, and durability of food on Earth.

These are of course tradeoffs involved in making astronauts part-time farmers. Any time spent tending plants is time that can't be spent elsewhere: collecting data, exploring, performing routine maintenance, or sleeping. And as scarce as time is for astronauts, resources are even more limited. It is highly practical, therefore, to ensure that farming in space is as automated and precise as possible.

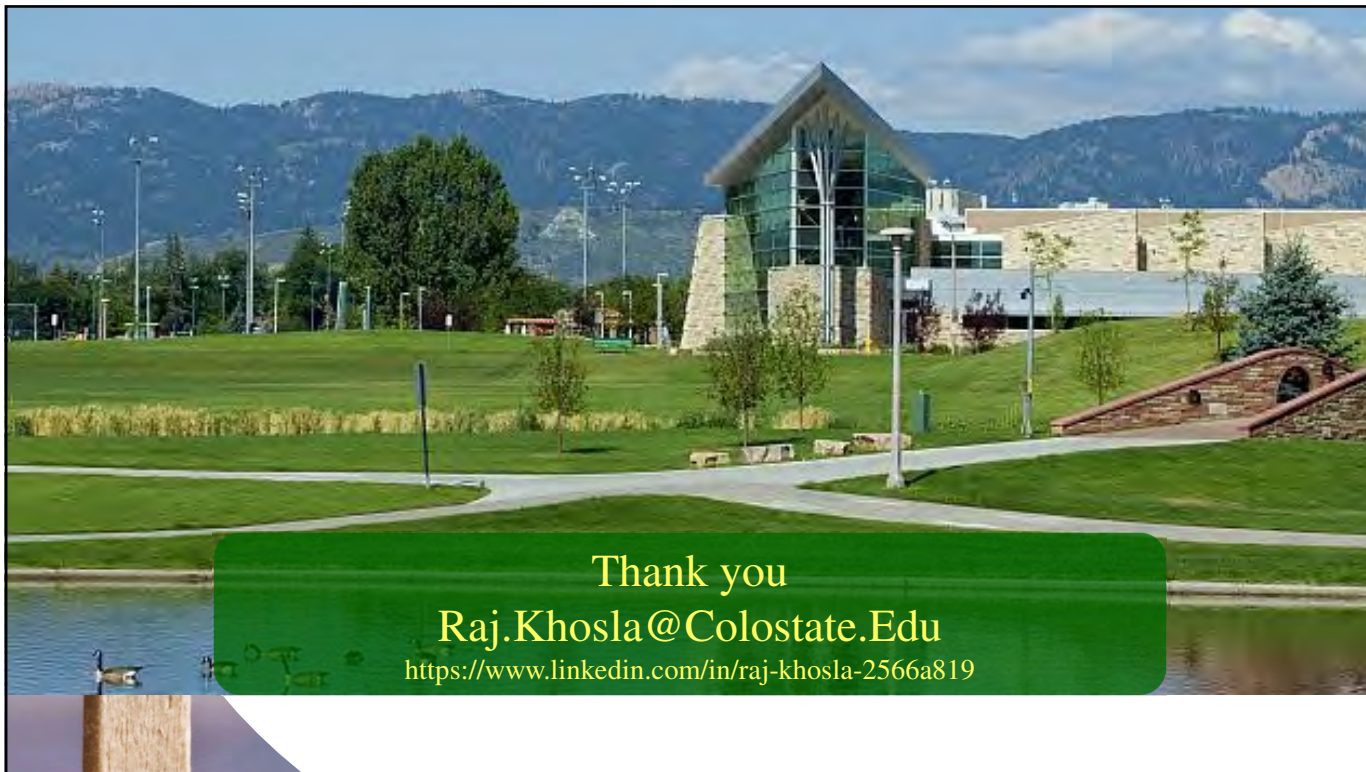
Technology Transfer

In the early 2000s, a NASA cooperative agreement for developing hardware for biological experiments in space was made available to Hane Seelig, at the time a PhD student at the University of Colorado Boulder and an employee of Bioscience Resource Project at the university and at the time a research partnership center located at the university and at the Space Flight Center. As part of the research, Seelig studied the relationship between plant leaf rigidity and its water content, and what such data could be directly measured using sensors. "No device was available that could measure leaf thickness continuously, so I built a prototype sensor that measured thickness by way of electrical pressure," the text says.

Seelig hypothesized that sensor-based watering could eliminate a significant amount of guesswork in farming and free up time and resources that could be applied elsewhere. "Astronauts are not supposed to spend their days weeding, watering, and the like, so we wanted to



By measuring electrical pressure, Seelig's sensor continuously reports on plant health. The sensor can sense changes through soil and can water while leaving the plant unharmed.



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