

# Sensitivity of surface fluxes in the ECMWF land surface model to remote sensed Leaf Area Index and roots distribution: evaluation with tower flux data

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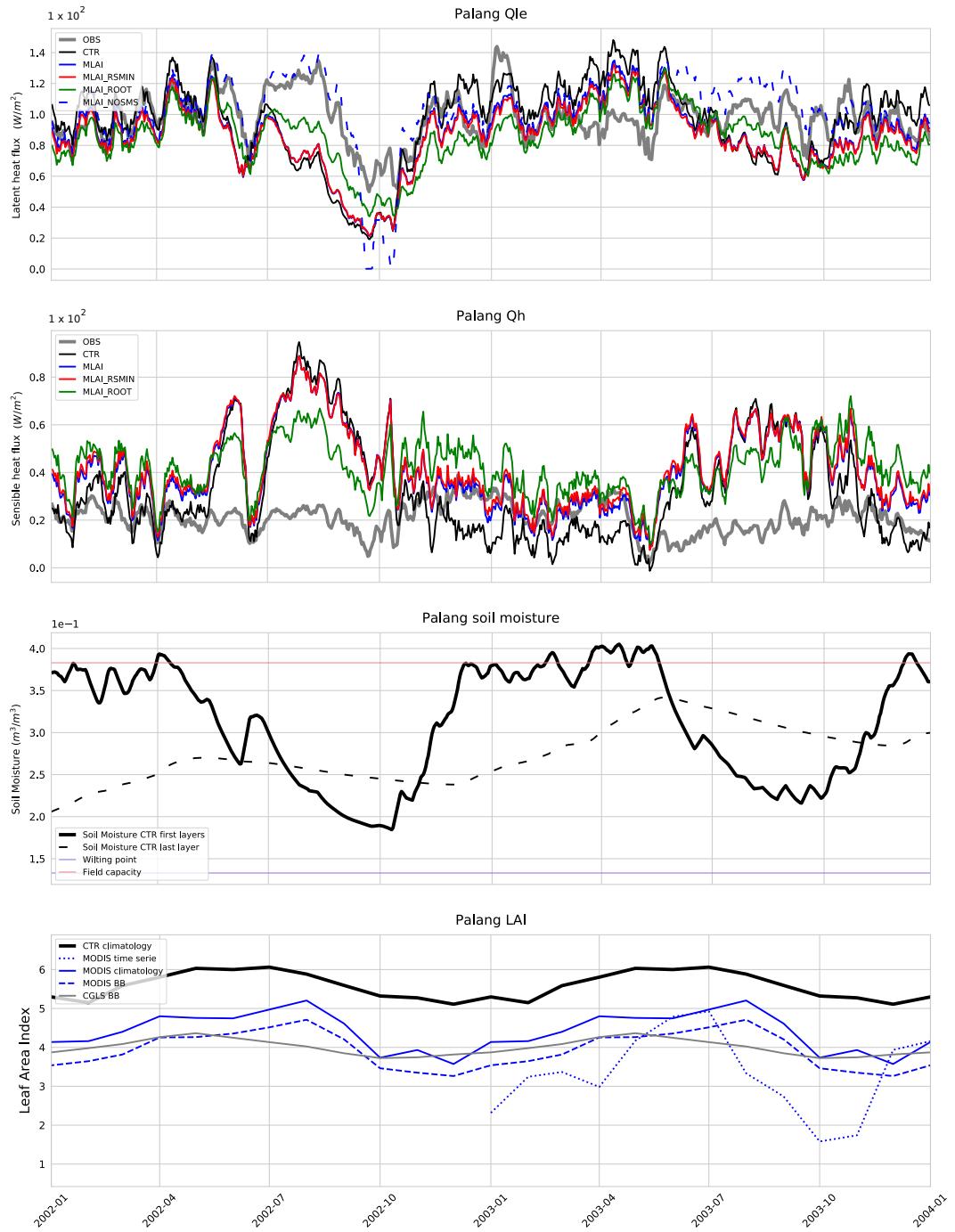
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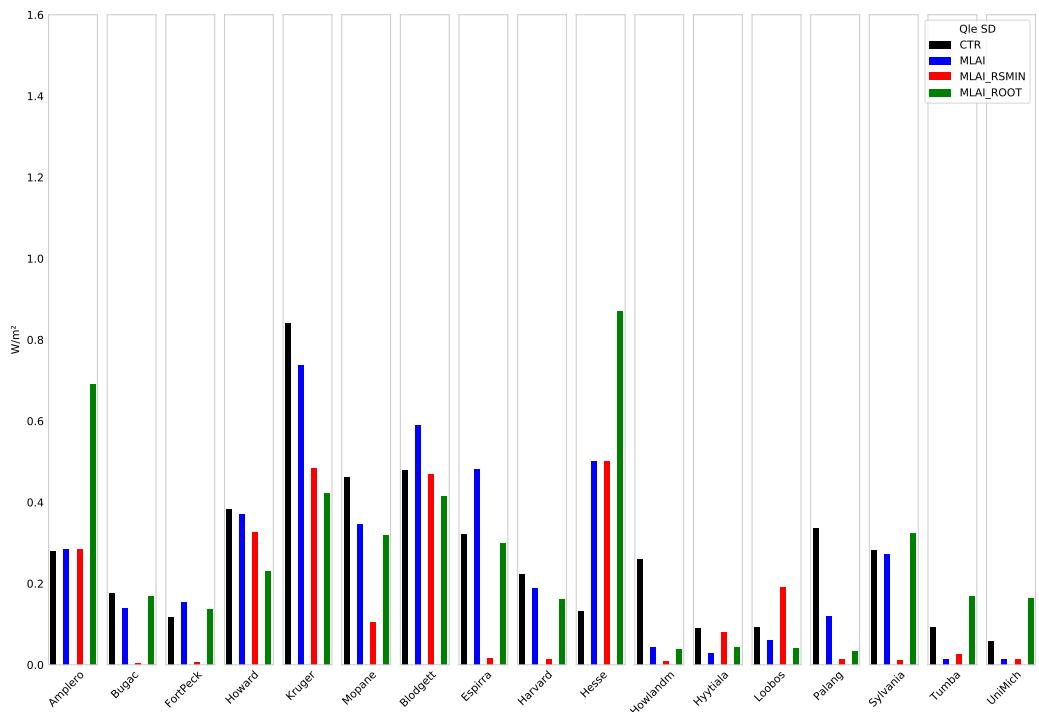
## 1. Supplementary material

**Table S1.** CHTESSEL vegetation types and associated parameters.  $R_1$  to  $R_4$  denote the root fraction in layers 1 to 4 (with depths of 0.07, 0.21, 0.72 and 1.89 m). The Final 4 lines indicate the root fraction when considering an uniform rooting depth with maximum rooting depth  $R_{DMAX}$  of 0.5, 1, 2 and 2.89 meters.

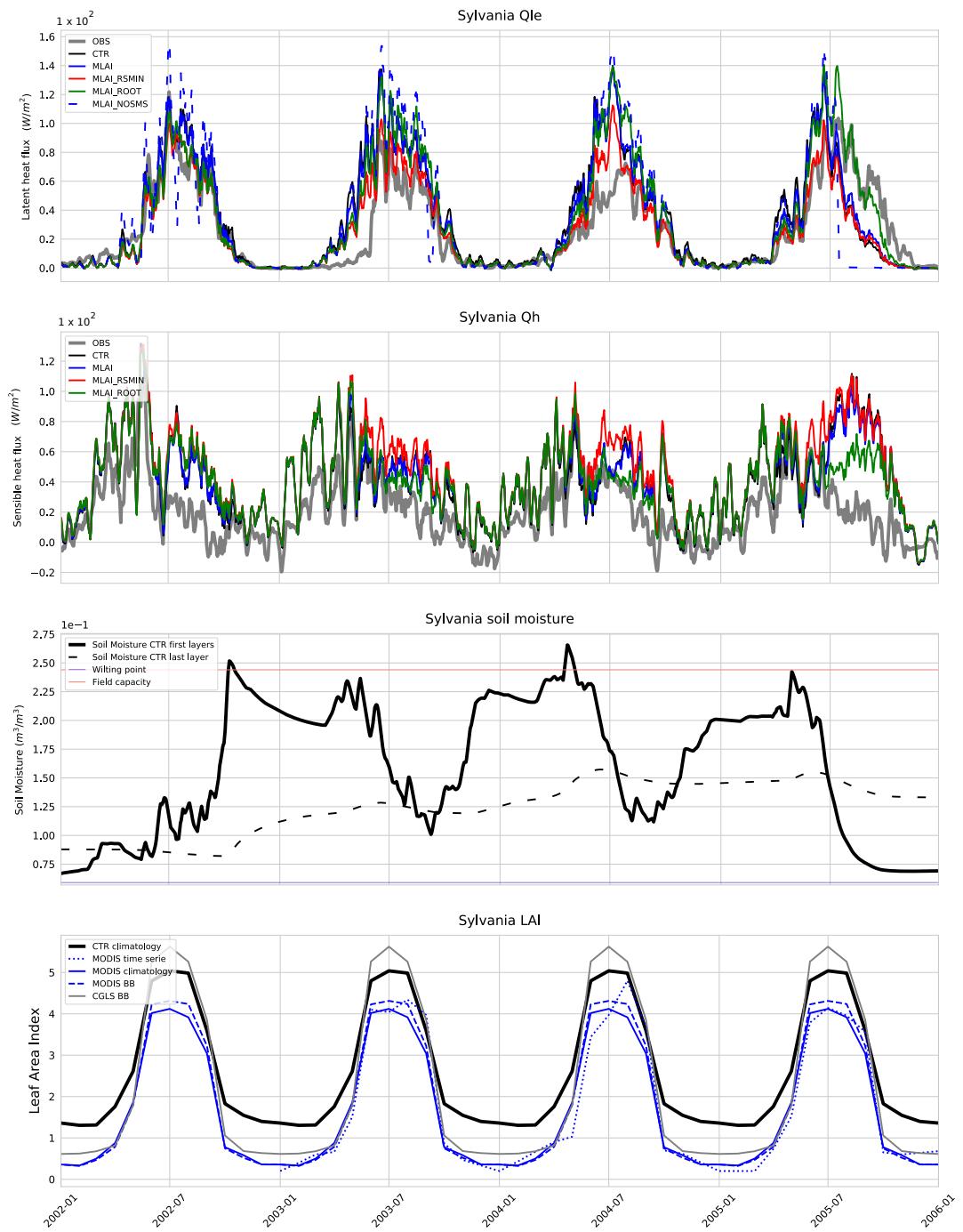
Land cover type	H/L	Cveg	$R_{smin}$	$a_r$	$b_r$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$
Crops	L	0.90	100	5.55	2.61	24	41	31	4
Short grass	L	0.85	100	10.74	2.61	35	38	23	4
Tall grass	L	0.70	100	8.24	1.63	27	27	27	9
Tundra	L	0.50	80	8.99	8.99	47	45	8	0
Irrigated Crops	L	0.90	180	5.56	2.61	24	41	31	4
Semi desert	L	0.1	150	4.37	0.98	17	31	33	19
Bogs and marshes	L	0.6	240	7.34	1.30	25	34	27	11
Evergreen shrubs	L	0.50	225	6.34	1.57	23	36	30	11
Deciduous shrubs	L	0.50	225	6.33	1.16	23	36	30	11
Evergreen needleleaf trees	H	0.90	250	6.71	2.18	26	39	29	6
Deciduous needleleaf trees	H	0.90	250	7.07	1.95	26	38	29	7
Deciduous broadleaf trees	H	0.90	175	5.99	1.96	24	38	31	7
Evergreen broadleaf trees	H	0.99	240	7.34	1.30	25	34	27	14
Mixed forest	H	0.90	250	4.45	1.63	19	35	36	10
Interrupted forest	H	0.90	175	4.45	1.63	19	35	36	10
$R_{DMAX}=0.5$						14	42	44	0
$R_{DMAX}=1$						7	21	72	0
$R_{DMAX}=2$						4	11	36	50
$R_{DMAX}=3$						2	7	25	65



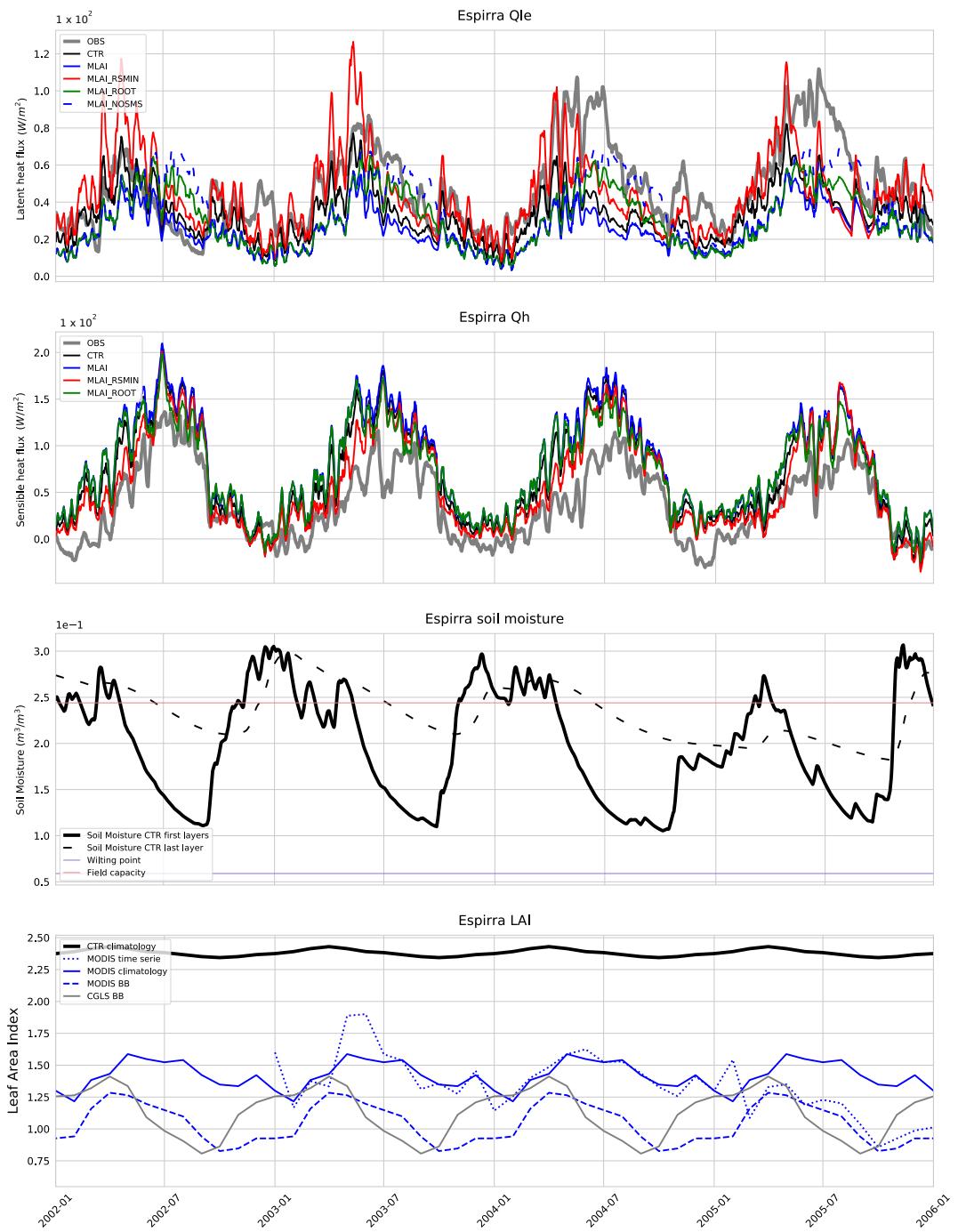
**Figure S1.** Time series of Sensible heat flux, latent heat flux, soil moisture and LAI in Palang. The turbulent fluxes time series compare the observations (gray) with the simulations: CTR (black), MLAI (blue), MLAI\_RSMIN (red), MLAI\_ROOT (green) and MLAI\_NOSMS (dashed blue). The soil moisture time series shows the CTR top 3 layers meter soil moisture (top meter solid back) and the bottom layer soil moisture (dashed black) as well as the soil moisture at wilting point (blue) and field capacity (red). The LAI time series compares CTR (black) with the high resolution MODIS LAI time series (dotted blue), the high resolution MLAI (blue), the climatology of MODIS considering the  $0.25^\circ$  bounding box (dashed blue) and CGLS LAI climatology (grey).



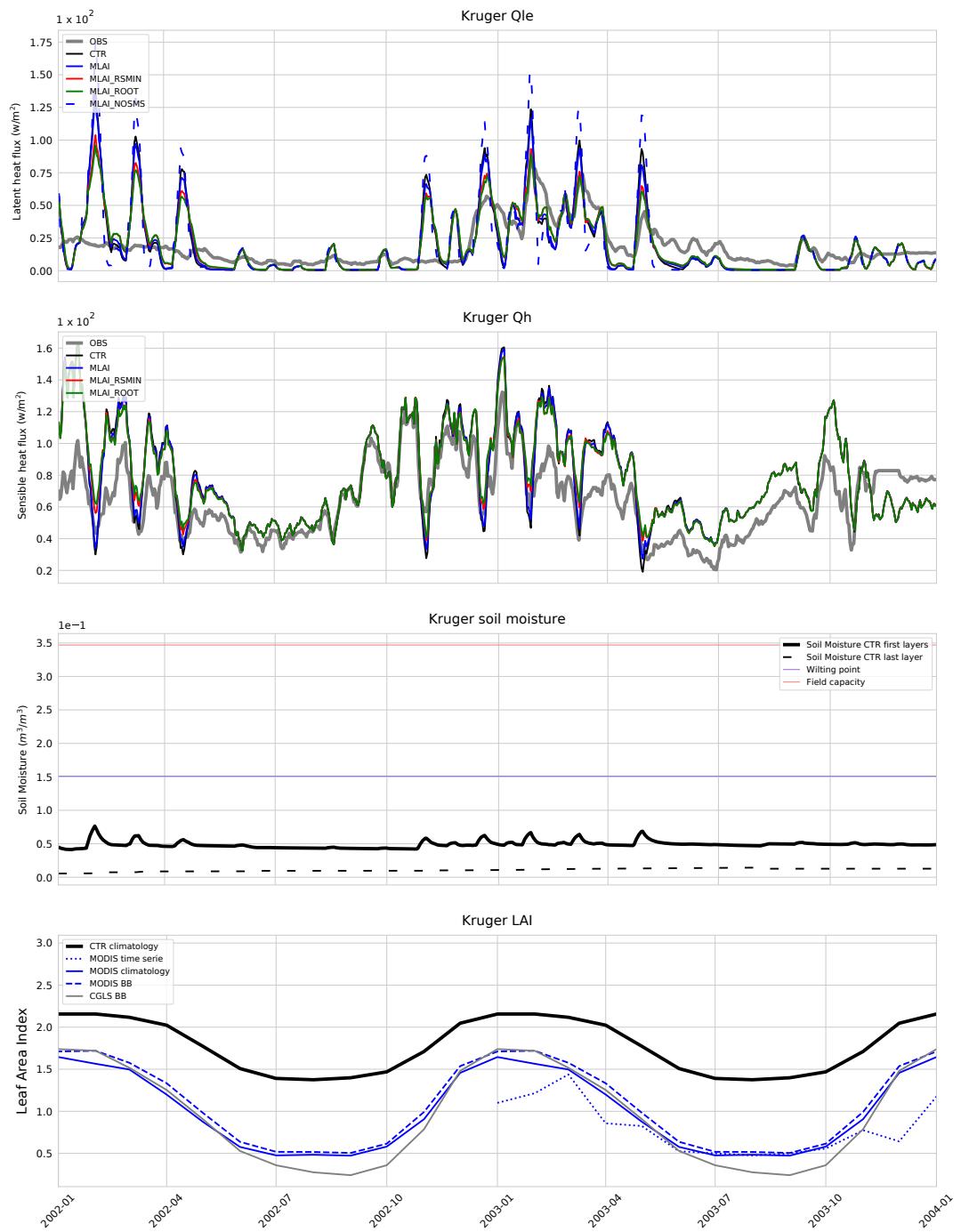
**Figure S2.** Latent heat flux SD in the 17 stations for each simulation: CTR, MLAI, MLAI\_RSMIN and MLAI\_ROOT.



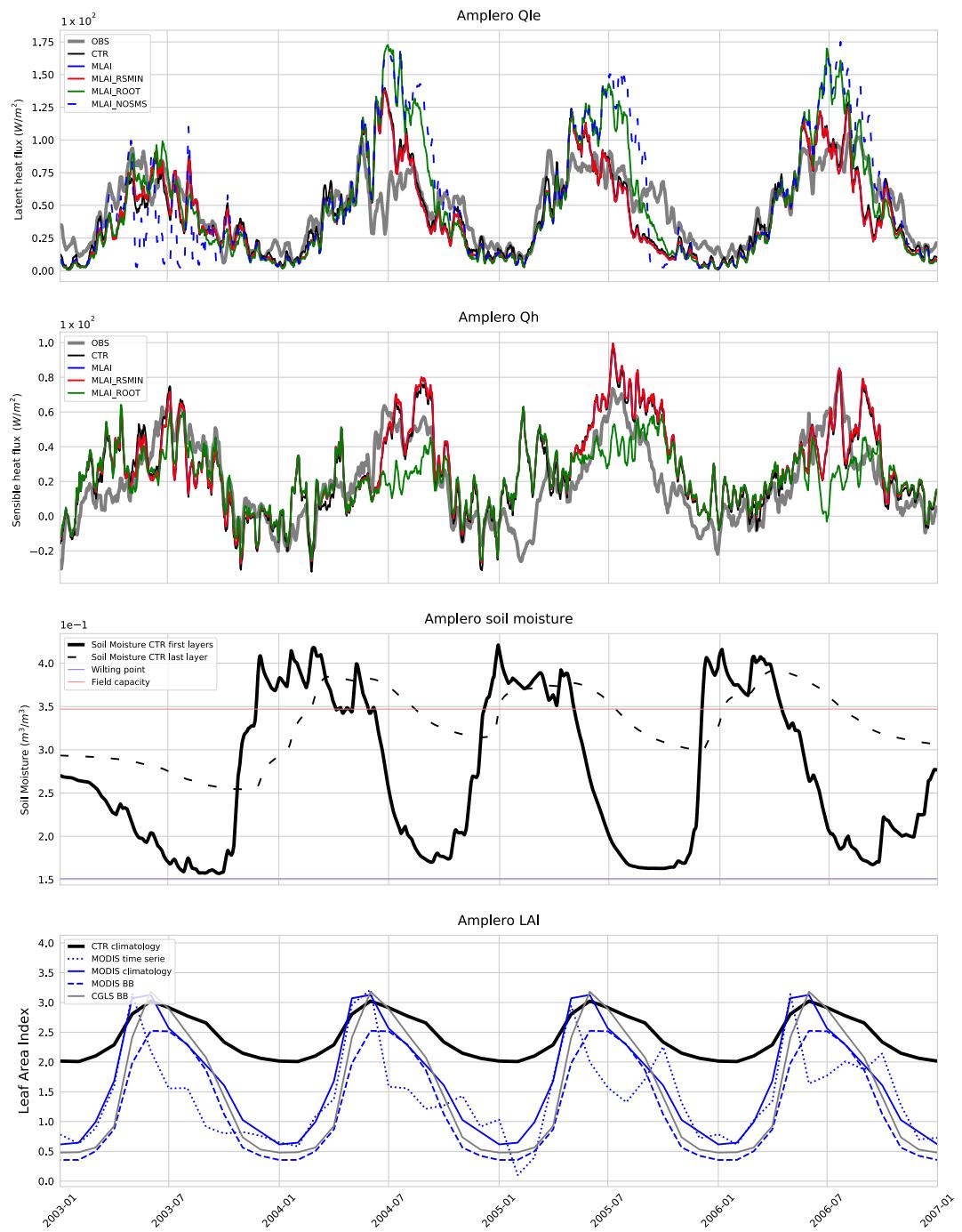
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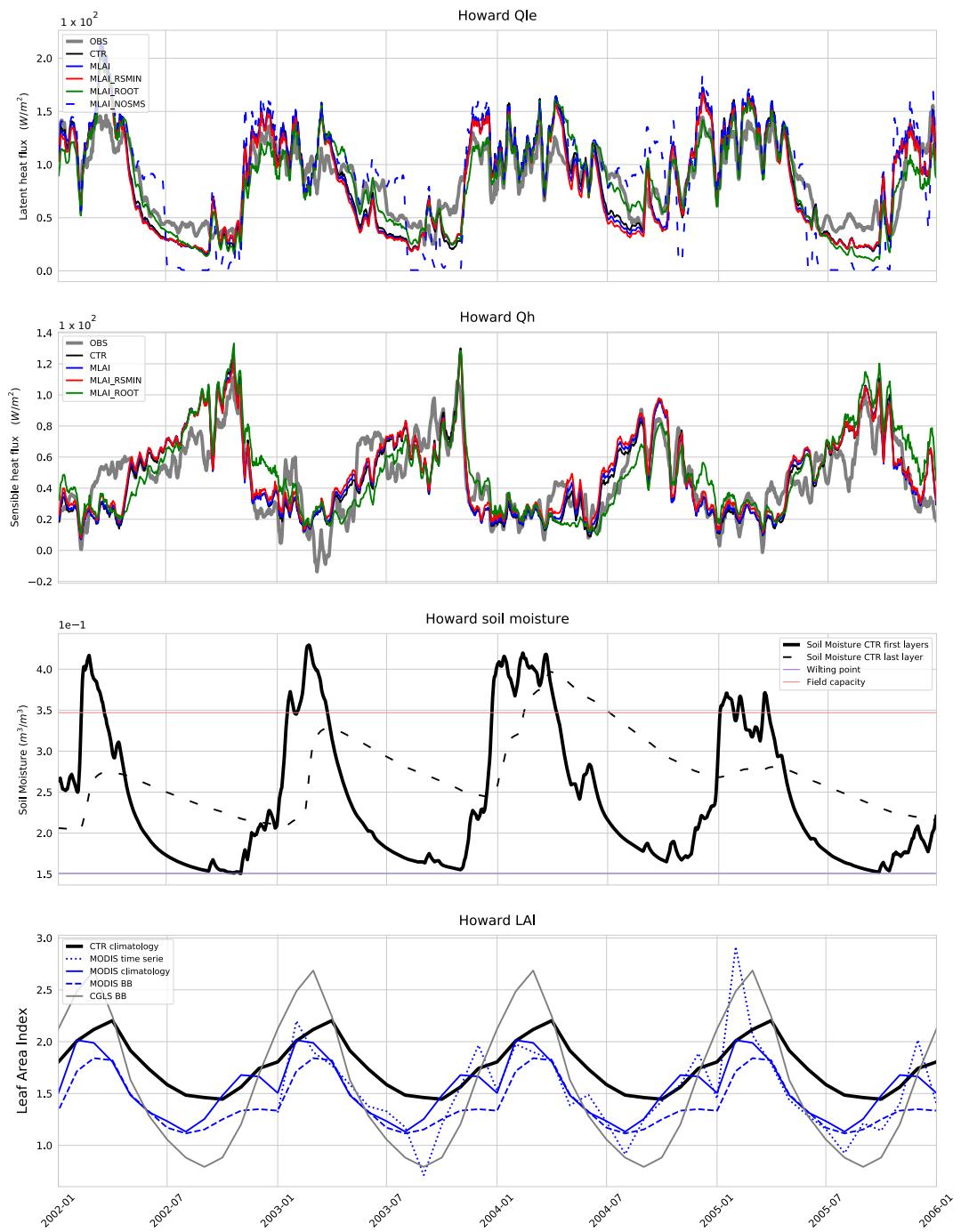
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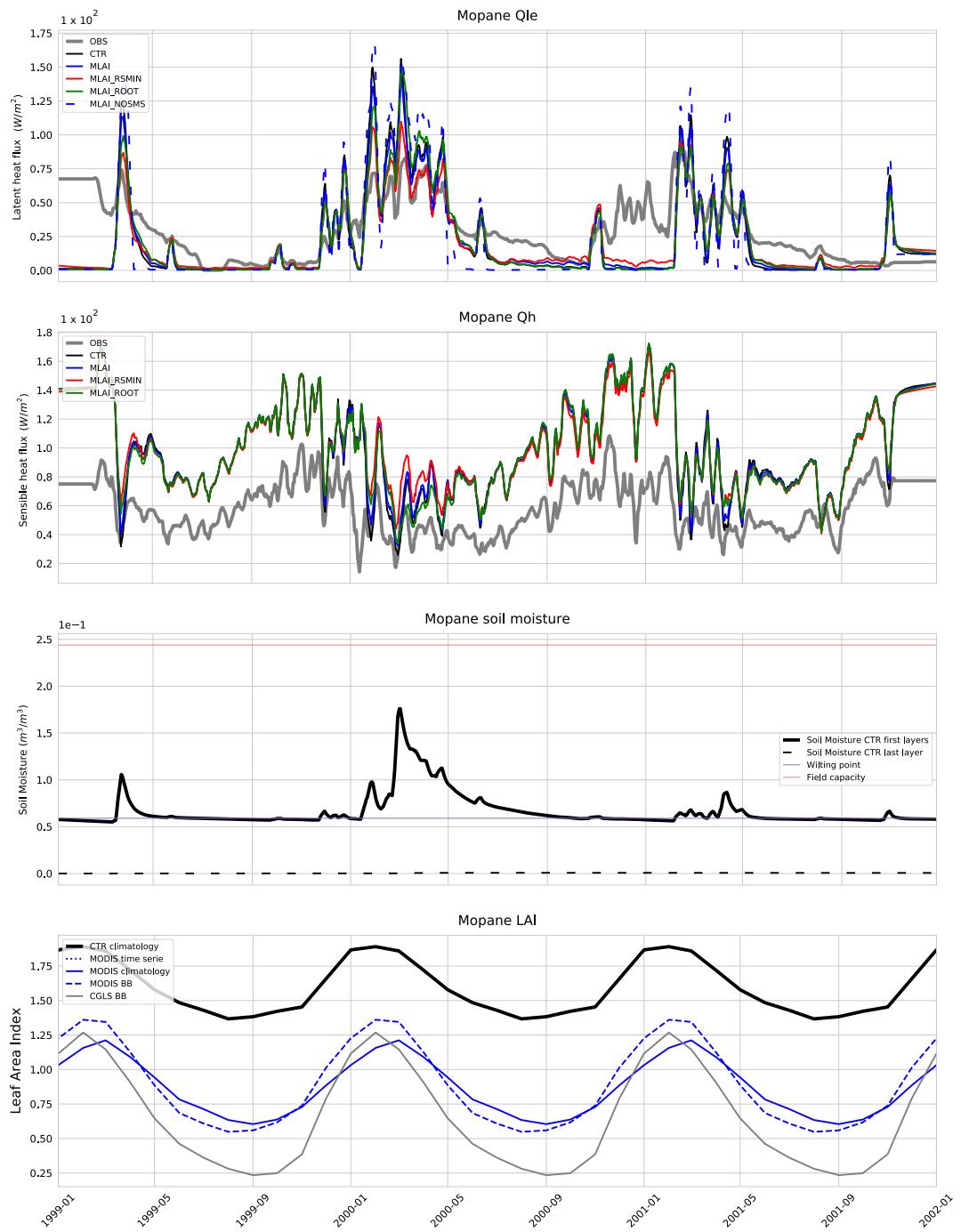
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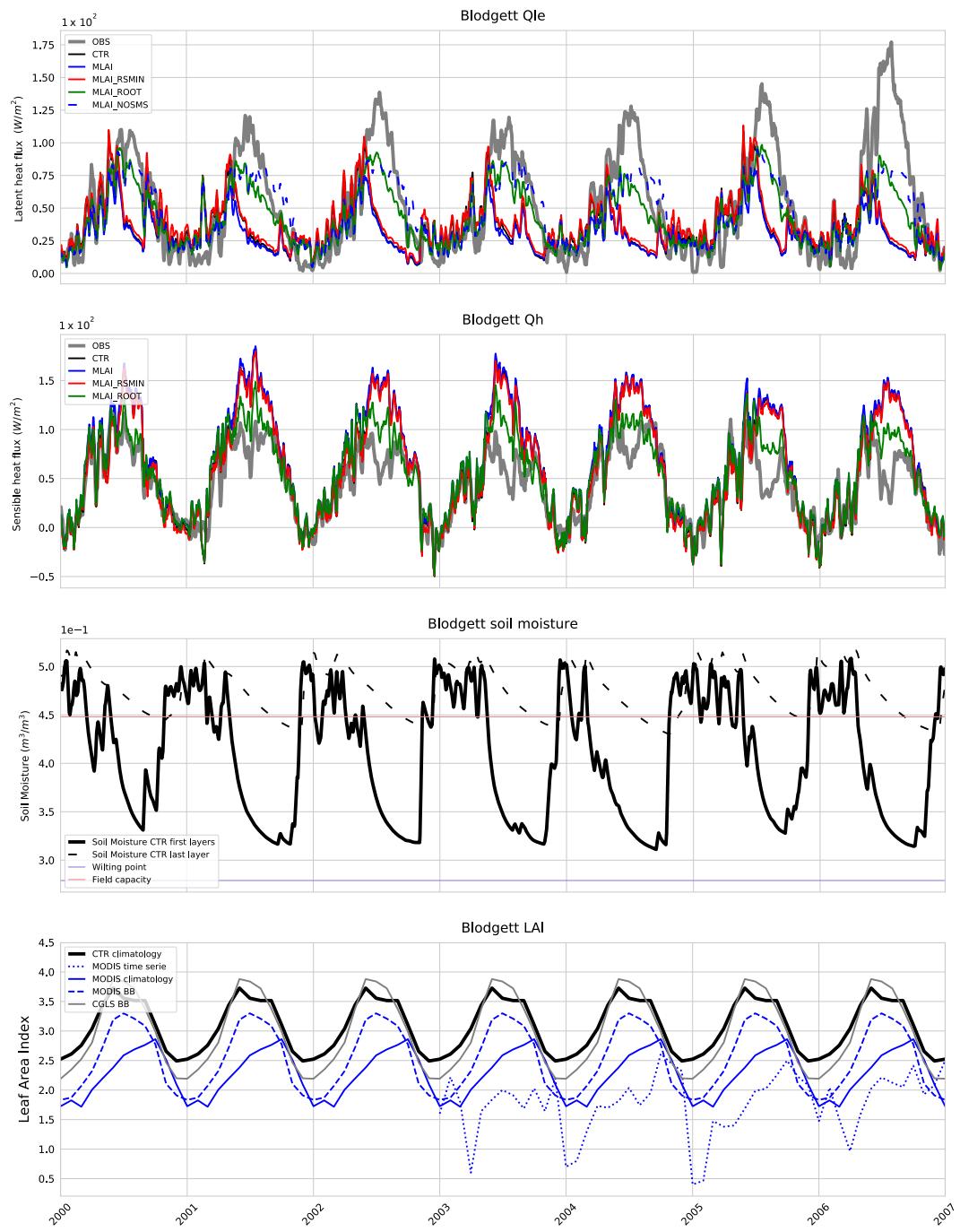
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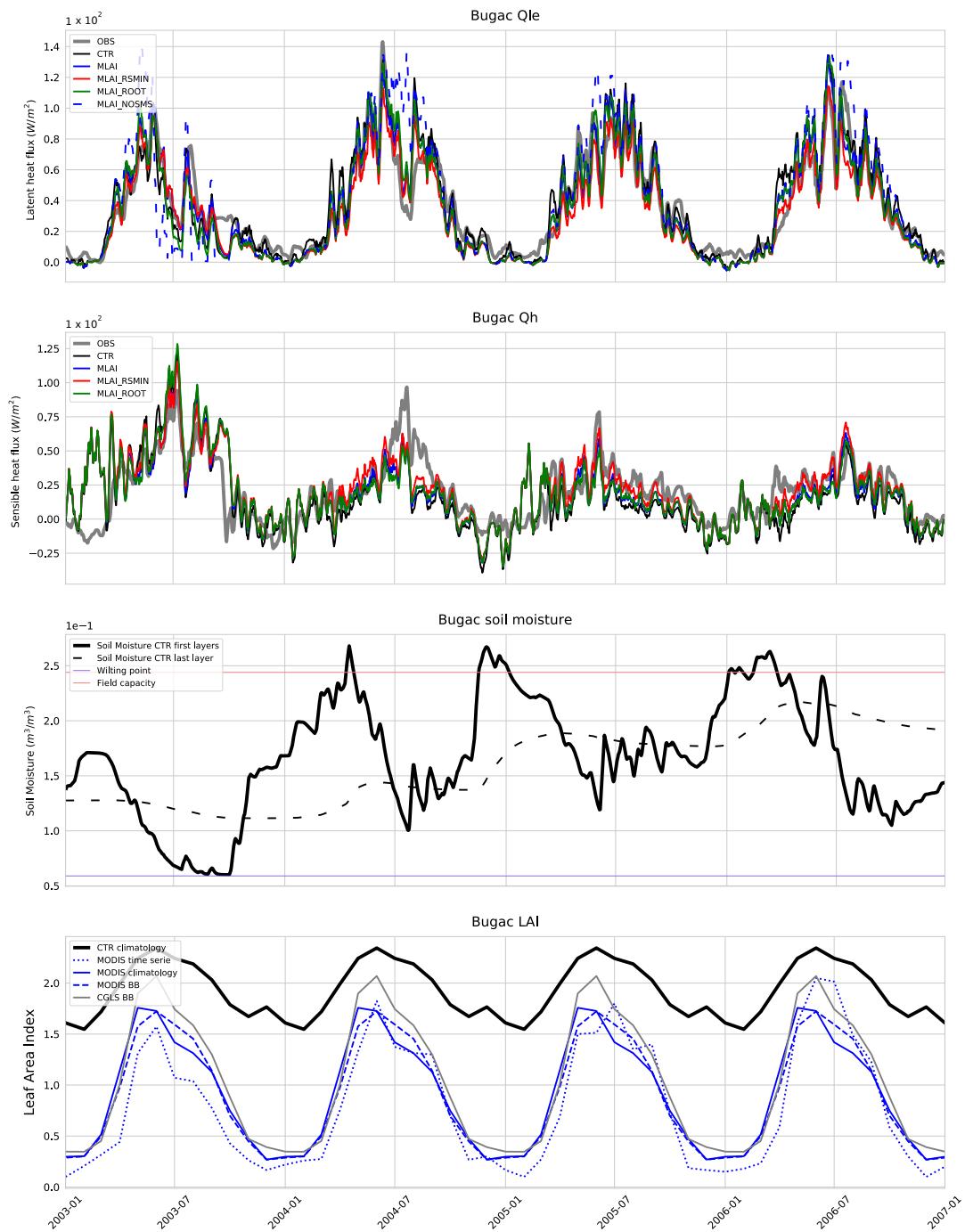
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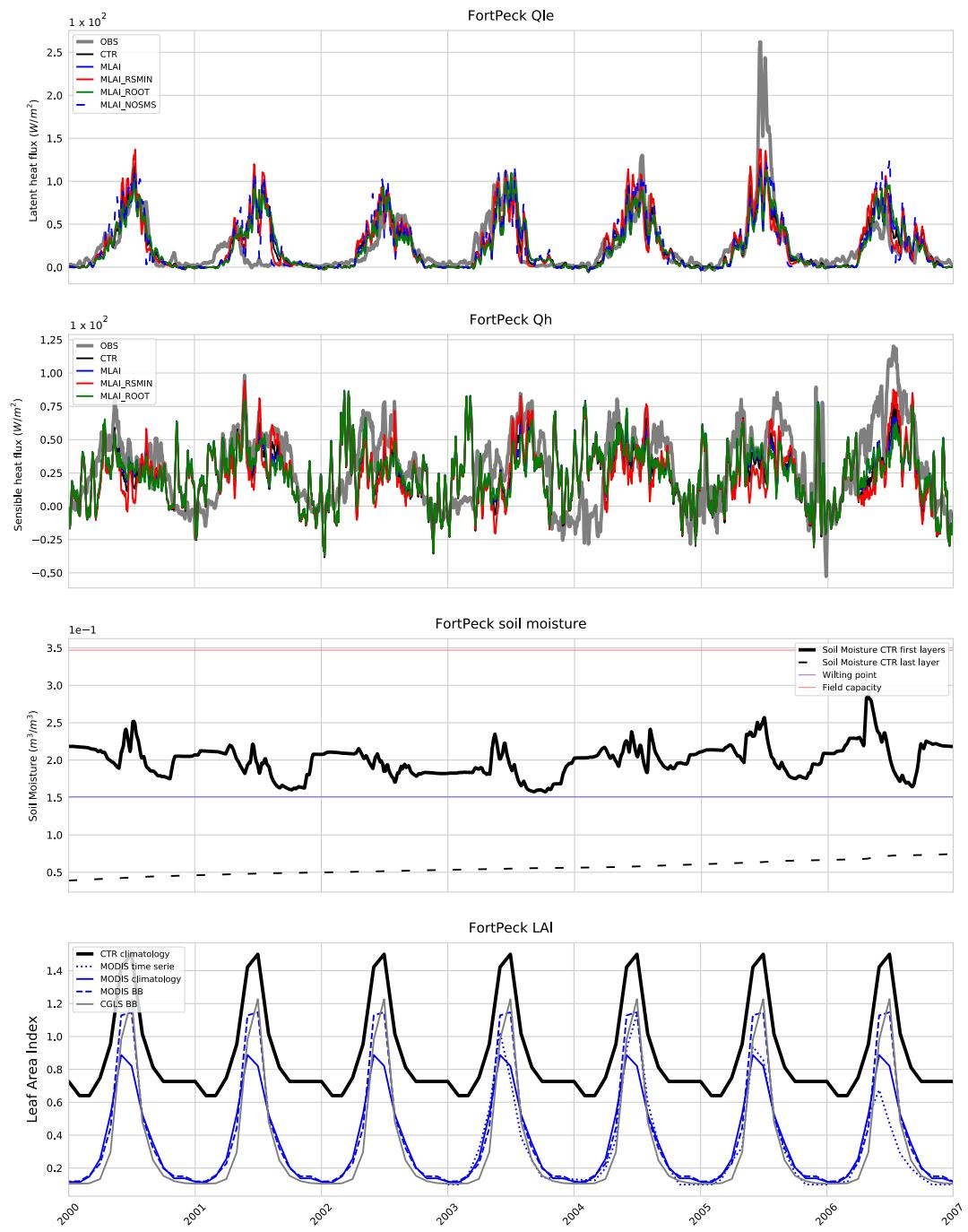
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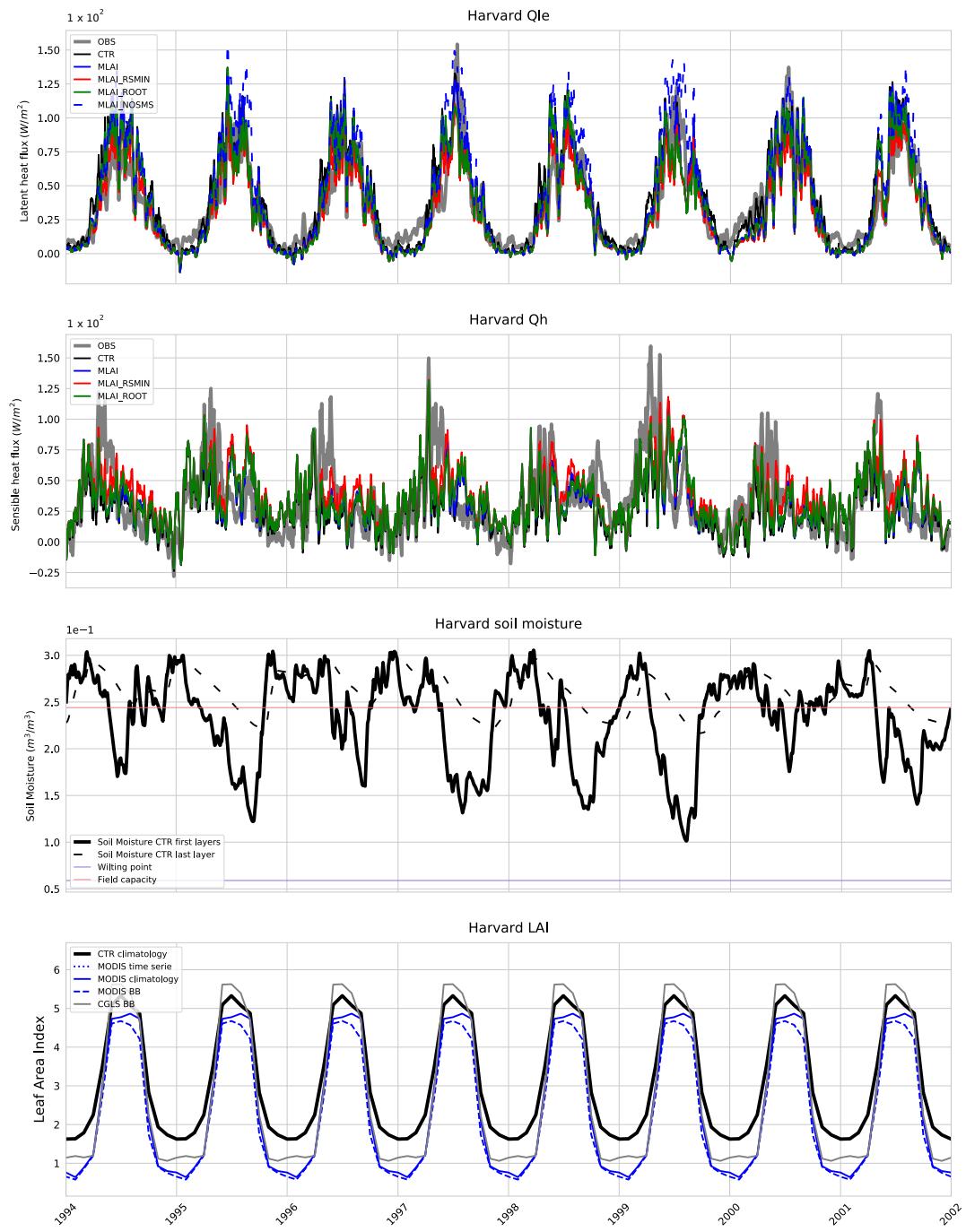
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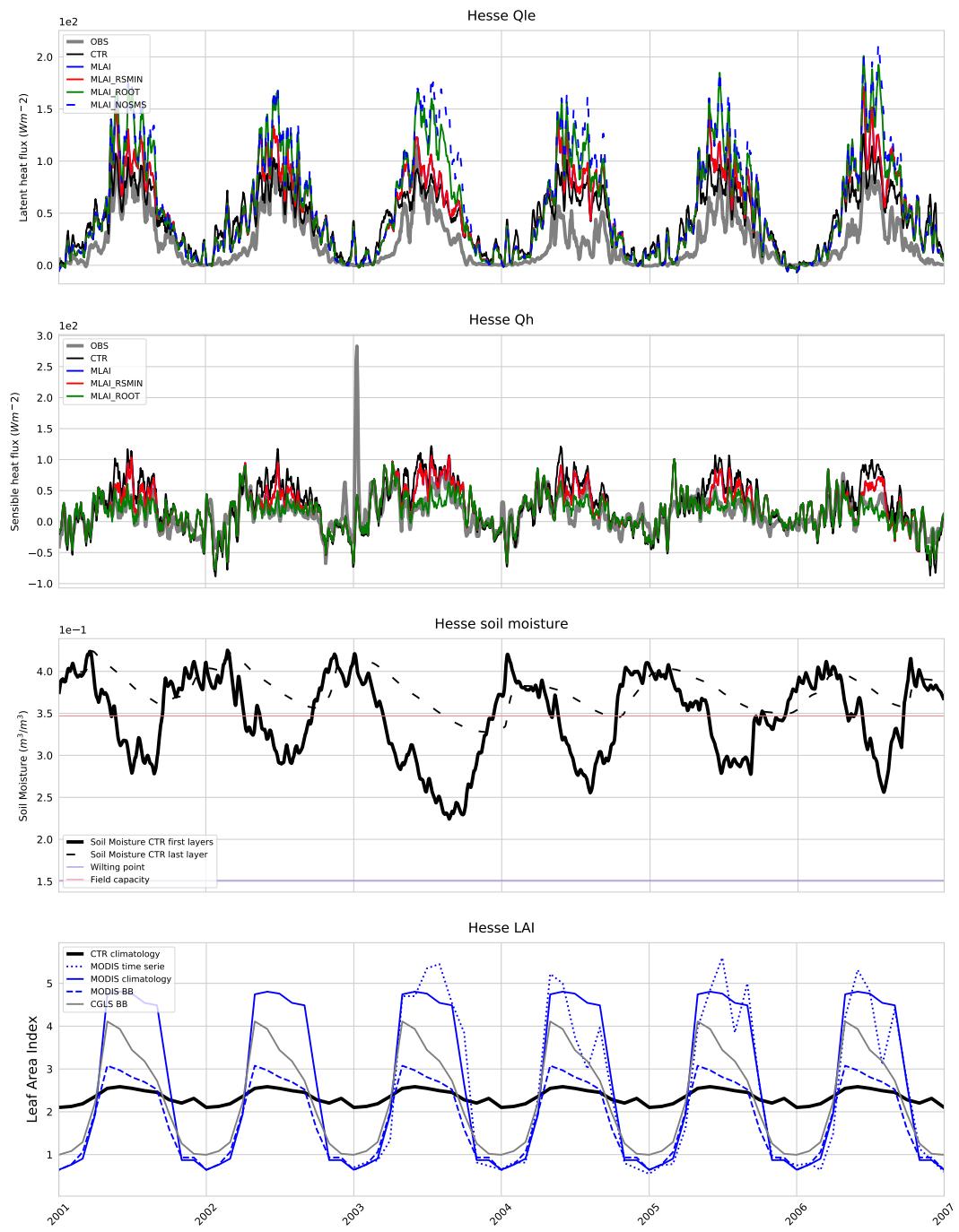
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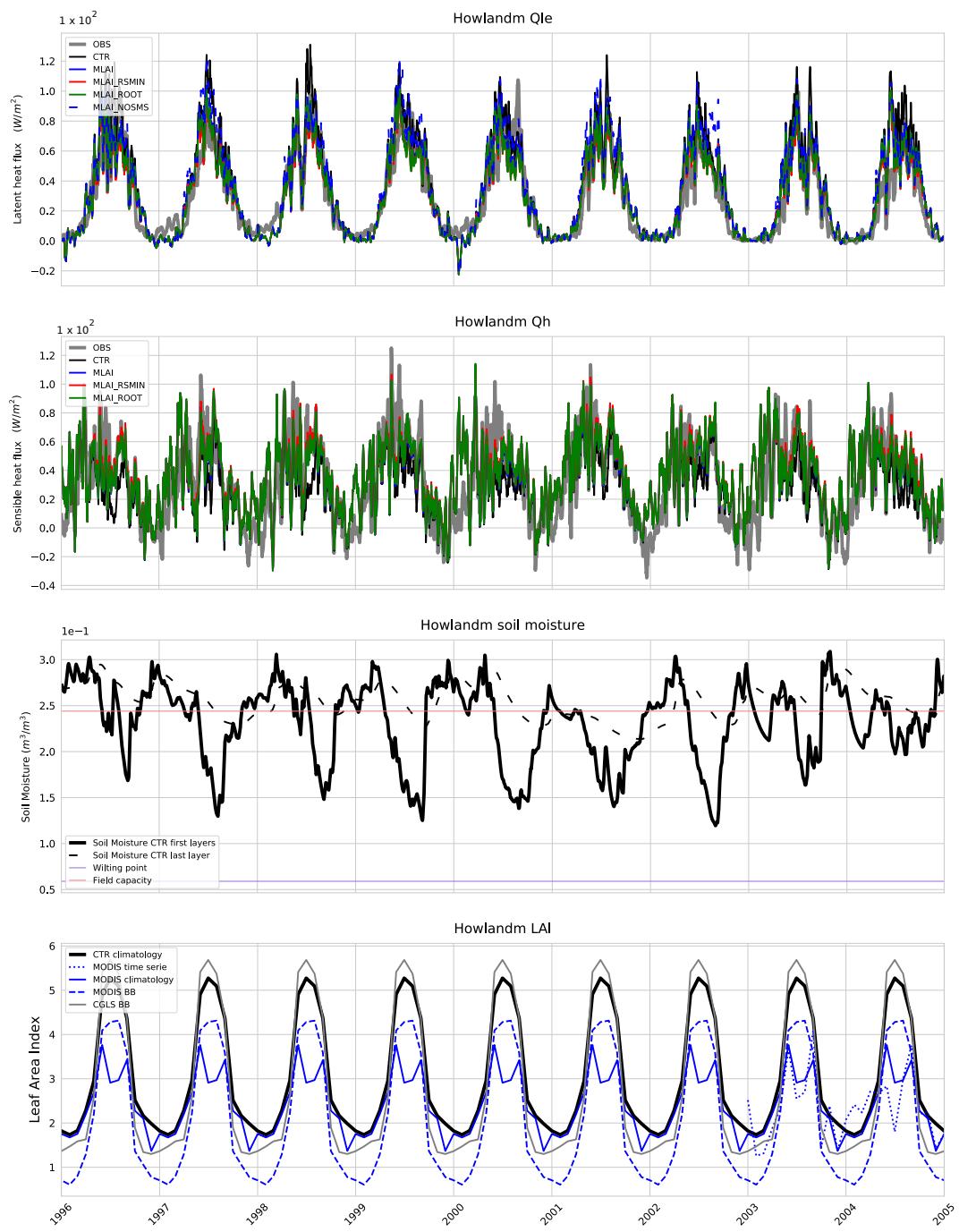
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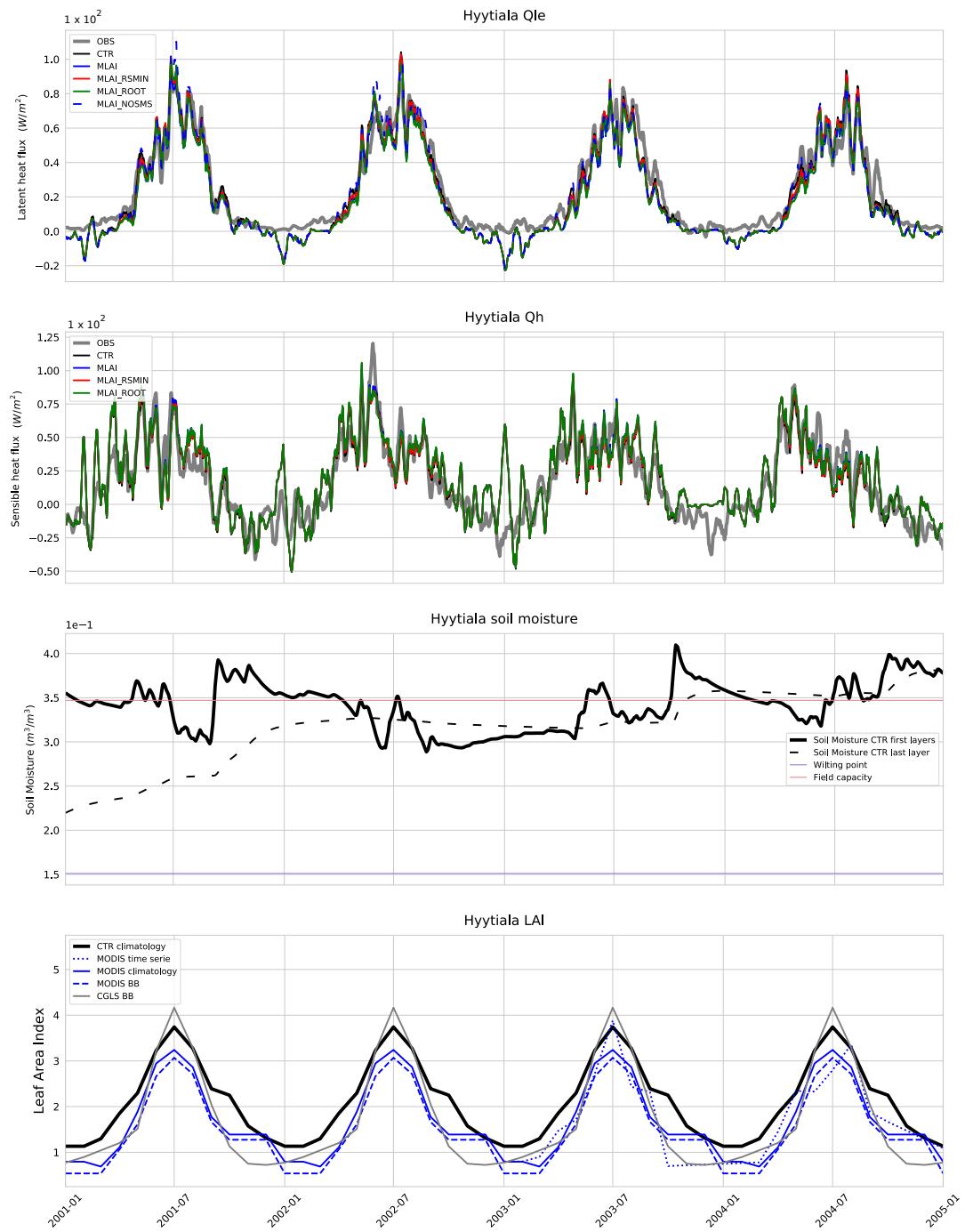
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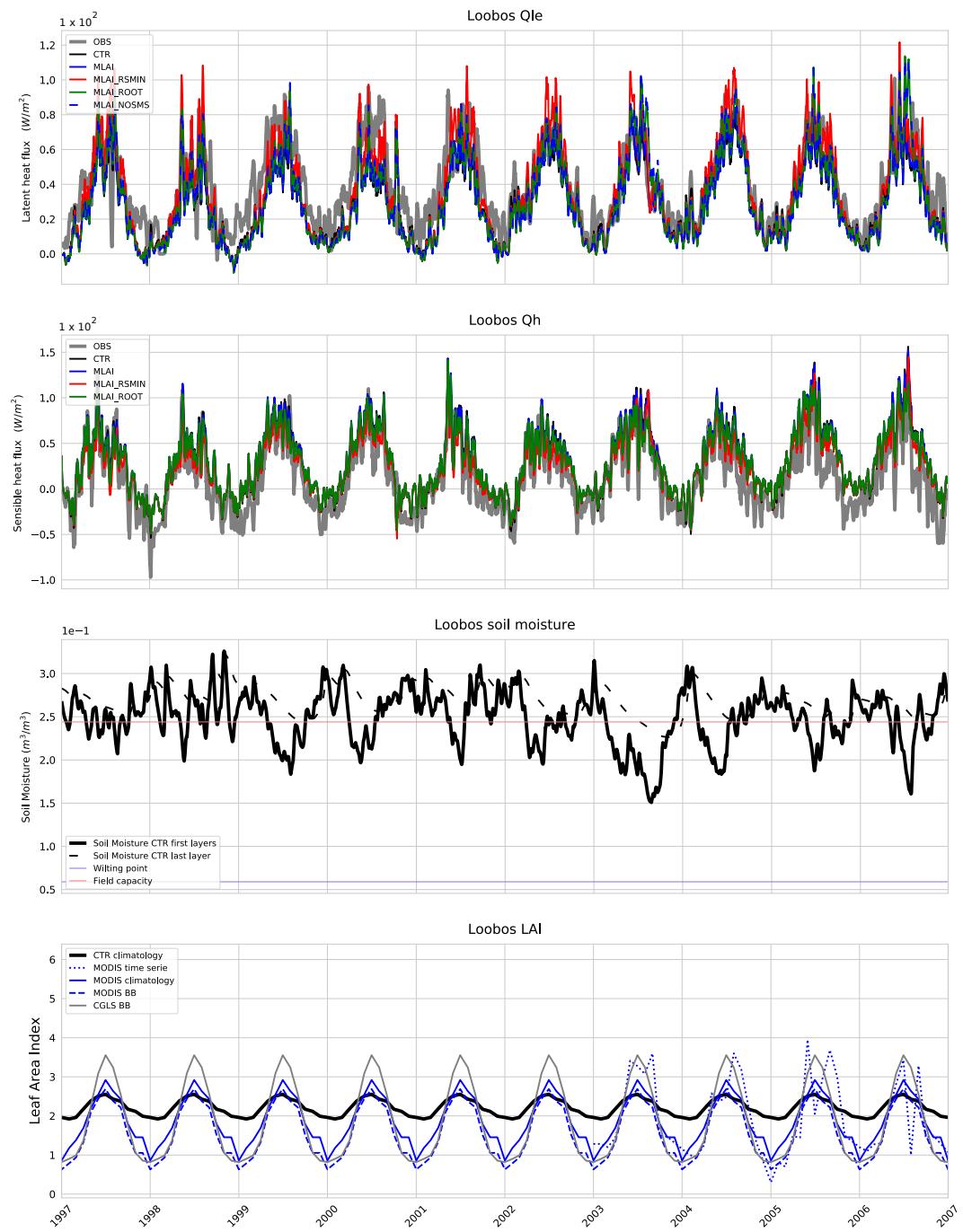
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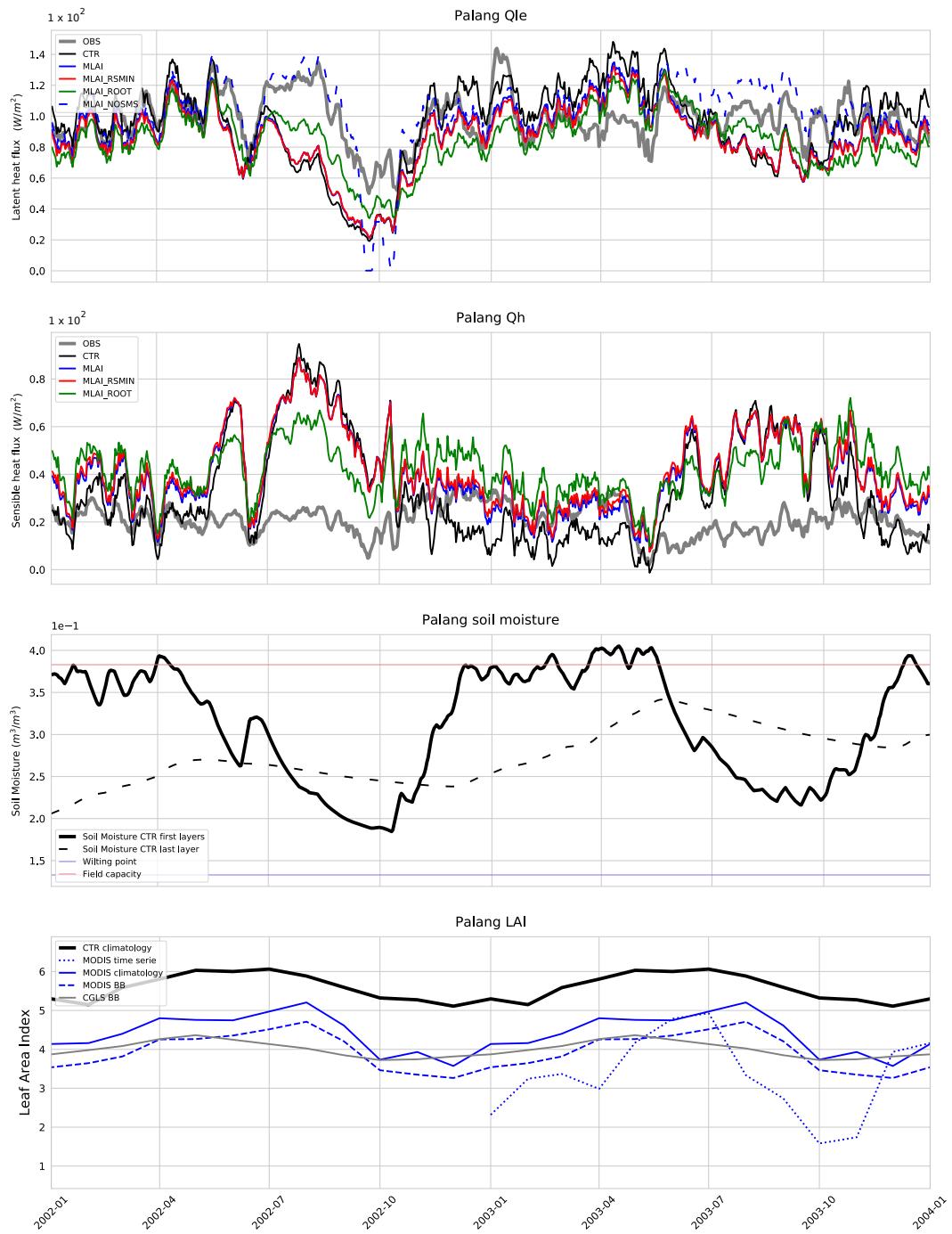
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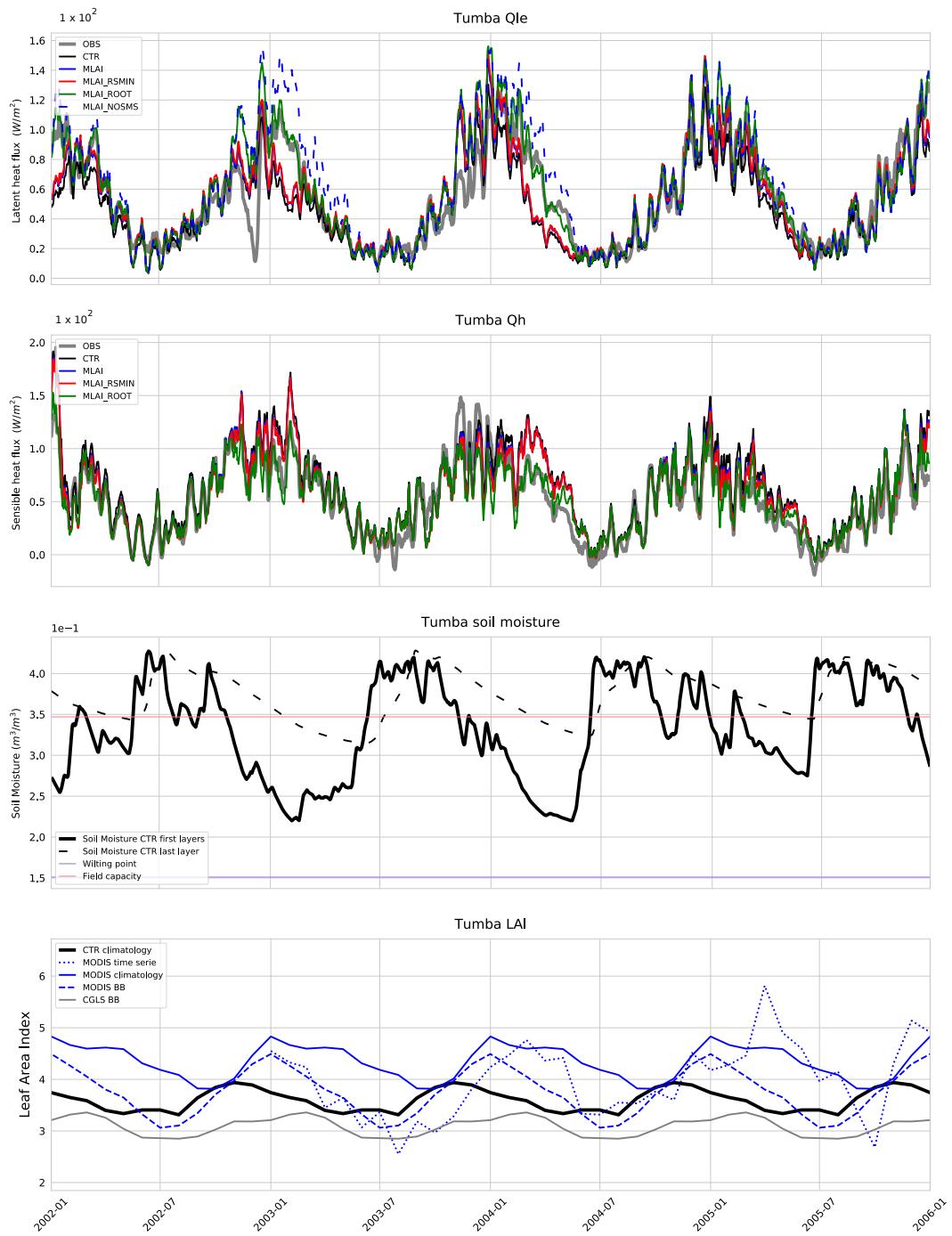
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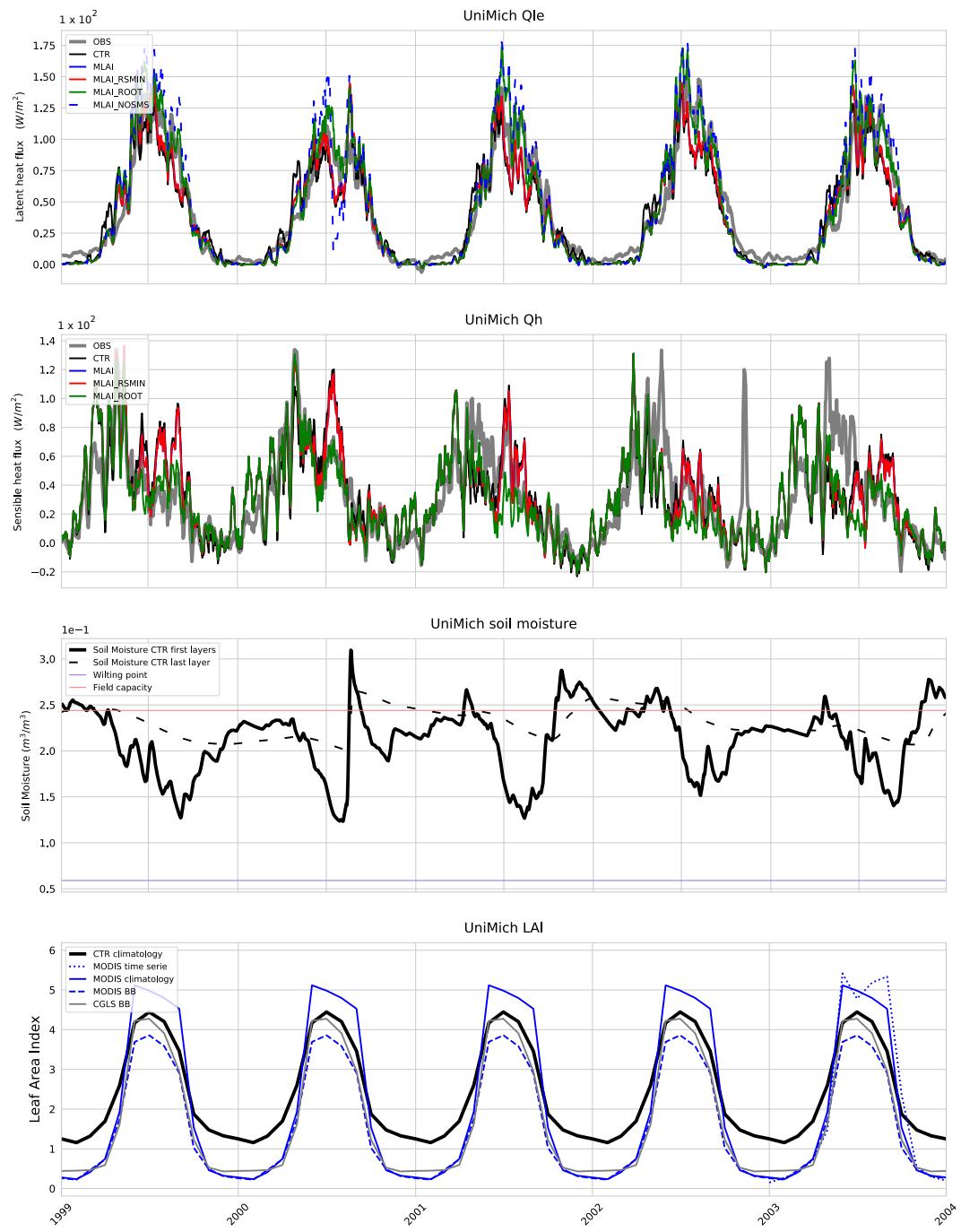
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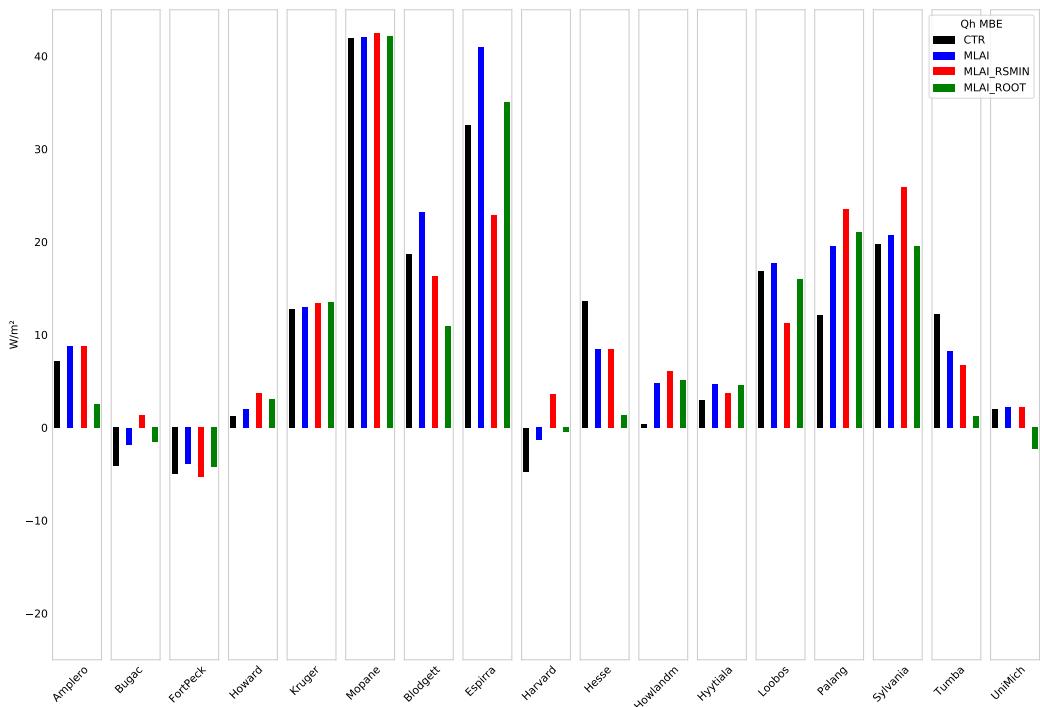
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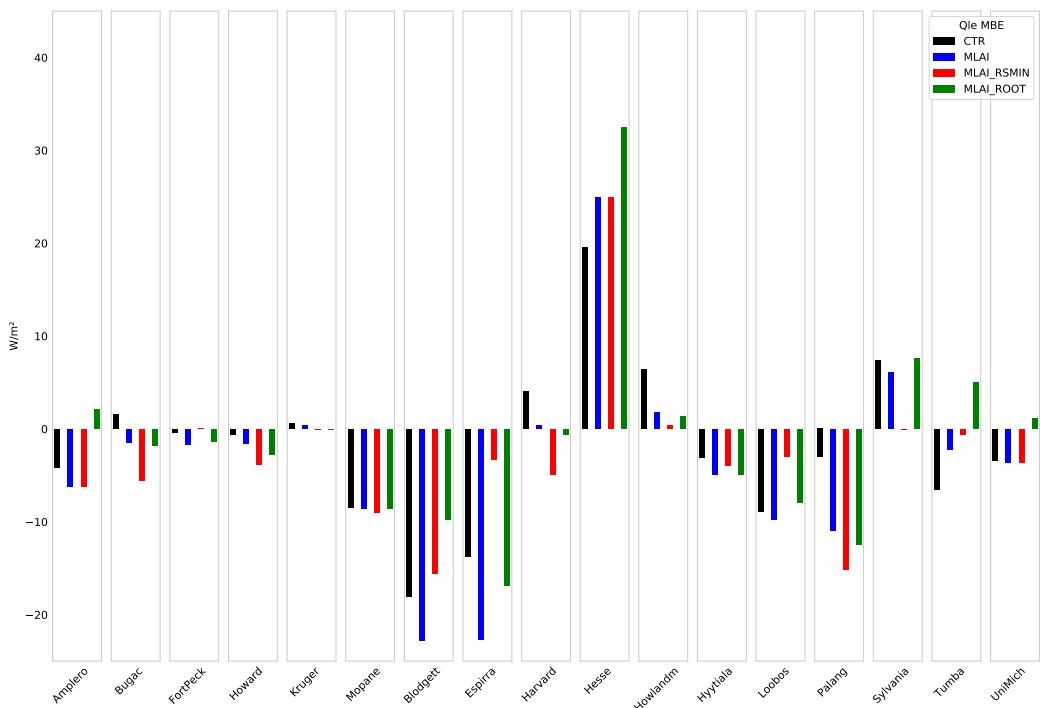
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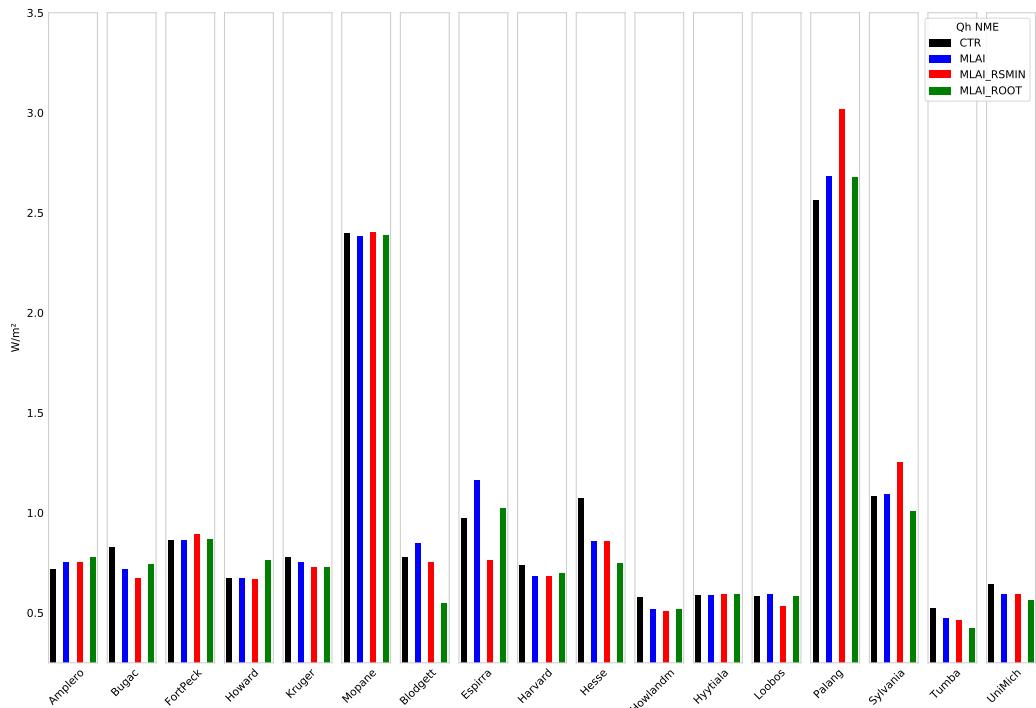
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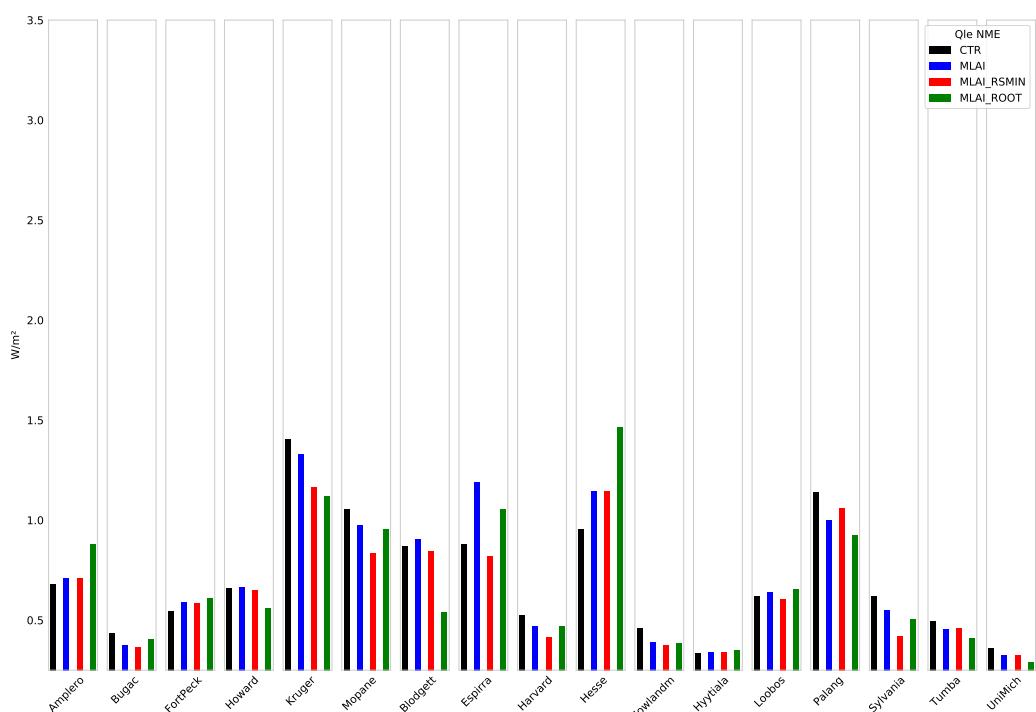
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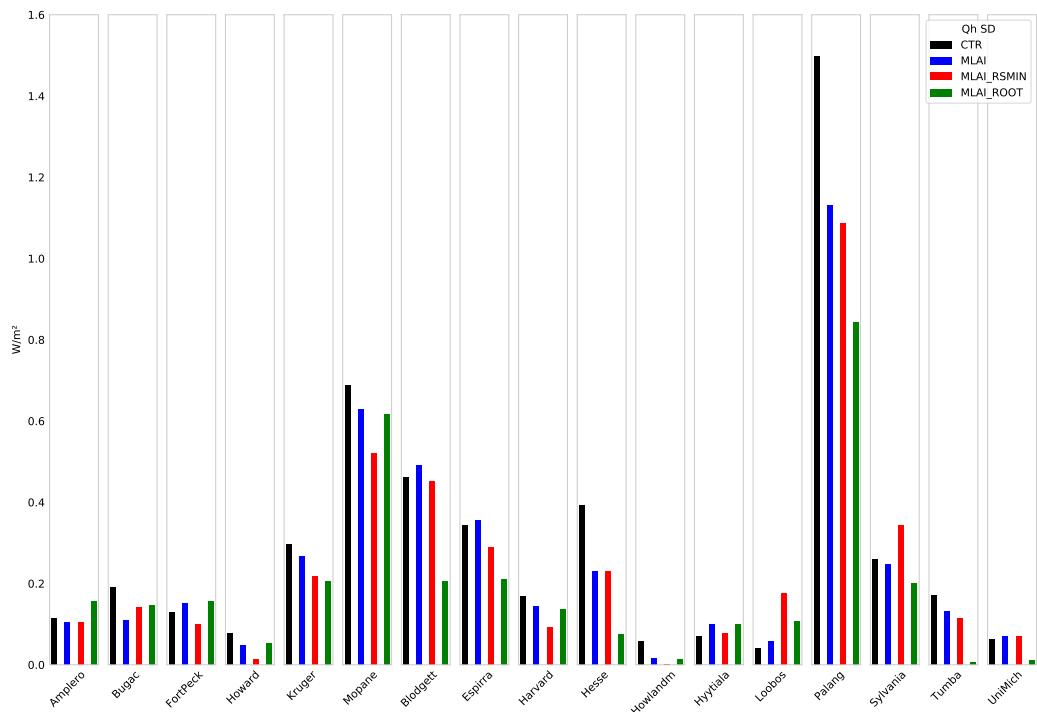
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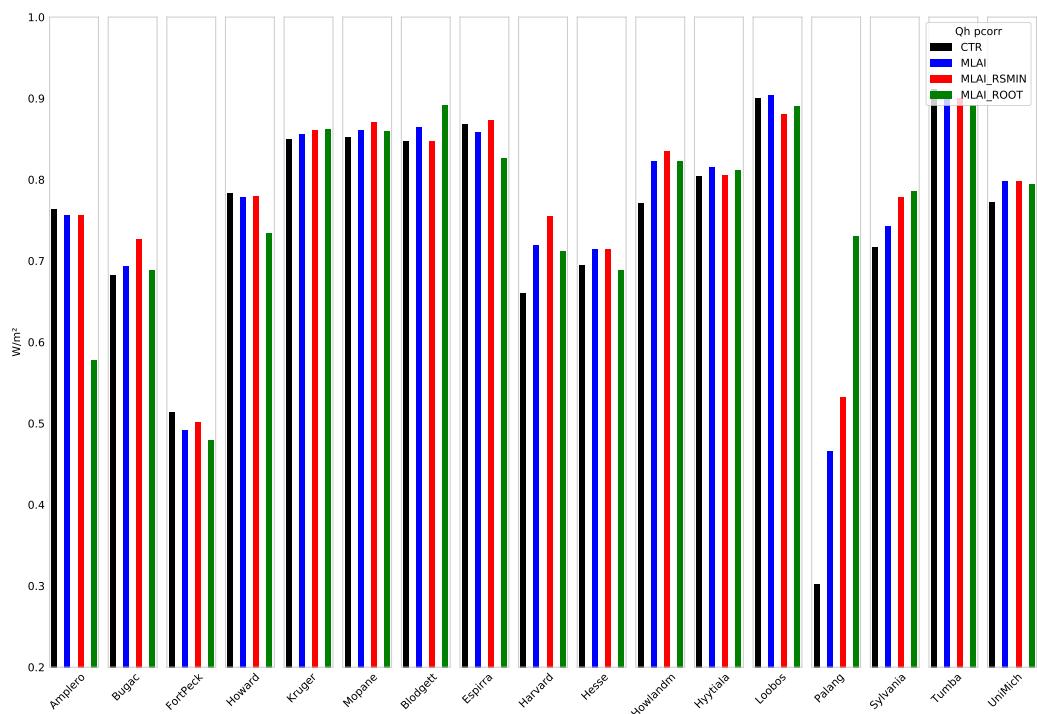
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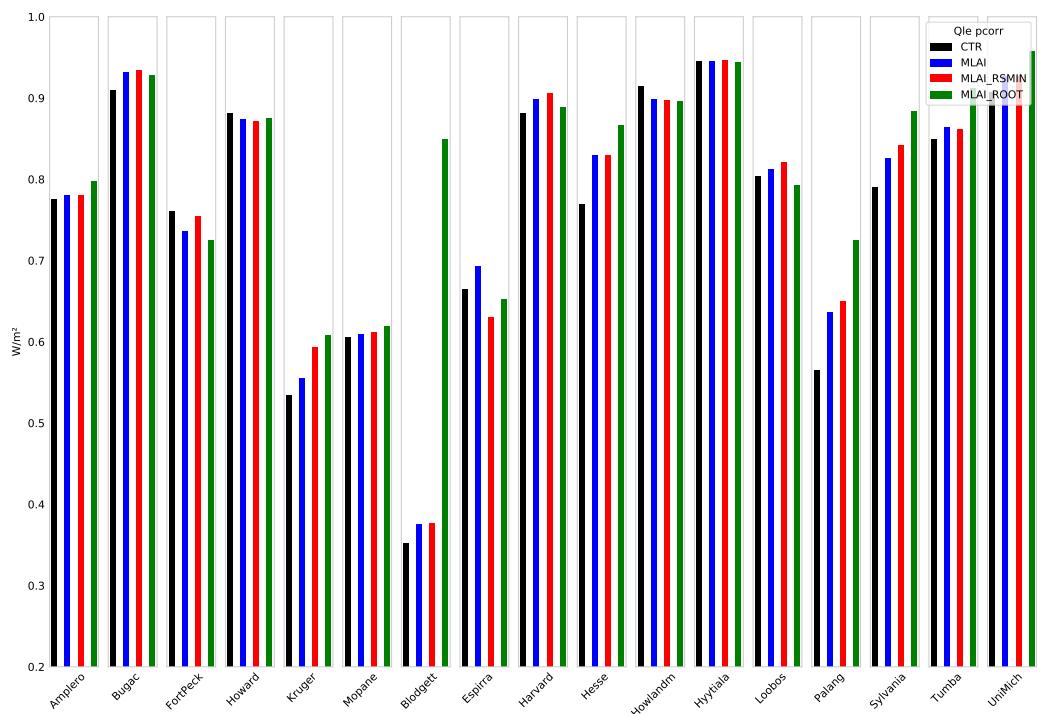
**Figure S23.** Latent heat flux NME in the 17 stations for each simulation: CTR, MLAI, MLAI\_RSMIN and MLAI\_ROOT.



**Figure S24.** Sensible heat flux SD in the 17 stations for each simulation: CTR, MLAI, MLAI\_RSMIN and MLAI\_ROOT.



**Figure S25.** Sensible heat flux correlation in the 17 stations for each simulation: CTR, MLAI, MLAI\_RSMIN and MLAI\_ROOT.



**Figure S 26.** Latent heat flux correlation in the 17 stations for each simulation: CTR, MLAI, MLAI\_RSMIN and MLAI\_ROOT.