

# PMETp-w

Program to calculate potential evapotranspiration ( $ET_p$ ) at **monthly, daily, hourly** or **shorter** periods using micrometeorological data and the parameters described below. The calculation procedure is based on the modified Penman-Monteith method as described by Allen et al. (1998).

## MICROMETEOROLOGICAL DATA

Input variables for computing  $ET_p$  at **DAILY** or **MONTHLY** time step are: Month, Day, Maximum air temperature ( $^{\circ}C$ ), Minimum air temperature ( $^{\circ}C$ ), Maximum relative humidity (%), Minimum relative humidity (%), Solar radiation ( $W/m^2$ ), and Wind speed (m/s):

Month	Day	Tmax(C)	Tmin(C)	RHmax(%)	RHmin(%)	$R_g(W/m^2)$	u(m/s)
7	11	27.84	13.19	81.62	37.26	317.01	1.920
7	12	28.08	21.36	81.81	36.92	247.81	1.980
7	13	25.60	13.37	81.98	44.68	333.64	2.580
7	14	17.22	11.63	89.88	56.88	339.95	3.220
7	15	14.71	10.84	89.88	76.04	166.44	4.160
7	16	13.22	10.72	89.87	70.44	155.64	4.320

Input variables for computing  $ET_p$  at **HOURLY** or **SHORTER** time steps are: Month, Day, Air temperature ( $^{\circ}C$ ), Relative humidity (%), Solar radiation ( $W/m^2$ ), and Wind speed (m/s)

Month	Day	Hour	T(C)	RH(%)	$R_g(W/m^2)$	u(m/s)
3	11	14.00	16.39	37.71	877.7	4.26
3	11	14.15	16.29	38.52	739.5	4.95
3	11	14.30	15.94	39.26	193.5	3.33
3	11	14.45	15.28	40.64	34.0	2.76
3	11	15.00	14.32	41.05	20.5	3.29

## PARAMETERS

### Weather station information

- Altitude (m asl)
- Latitude (rad)
- Longitude (rad)
- Longitude of the Standard Meridian (rad)
- Difference to solar time (h)

### Data information

- Normal or leap year
- Time step (min)
- Height of wind speed measurements (m)
- Height of humidity measurements (m)

## Crop information

- Crop height (m)
- Albedo
- Active Leaf Area Index
- Leaf stomata resistance (s/m)

For calculating leaf stomata resistance:

- Minimum leaf stomata resistance (s/m)
- Shape parameter for calculating as a function of global radiation.

## Other parameters

- Coefficients  $a_c$  and  $b_c$  for calculating cloudiness factor ( $a_c+b_c=1$ )  
*Default values:*  $a_c= 1.35$ ,  $b_c= -0.35$
- Coefficients  $a_1$  and  $b_1$  for calculating net emissivity  
*Default values:*  $a_1= 0.34$ ,  $b_1= -0.139$

## ETp CALCULATION

Air temperature (°C)

For daily time step:

$$T = \frac{T_{max} + T_{min}}{2}$$

Relative humidity (%)

For daily time step:

$$RH = \frac{RH_{max} + RH_{min}}{2}$$

Saturated vapor pressure (Pa)

For daily time step:

$$e_s = \frac{e_s(T_{max}) + e_s(T_{min})}{2}$$

For hourly or shorter time steps:

$$e_s(T) = 611 \exp\left(\frac{17.27T}{237.3 + T}\right)$$

Actual vapor pressure (Pa)

For daily time step:

$$e_a = \frac{e_s(T_{min}) \cdot RH_{max} + e_s(T_{max}) \cdot RH_{min}}{200}$$

For hourly or shorter time steps:

$$e_a = e_s \cdot \frac{RH}{100}$$

Vapor pressure deficit (Pa)

$$VPD = e_s - e_a$$

Coefficient for Boundary-layer resistance (-)

$$r_{a\_c} = \frac{\ln\left[(z_u - d)/z_{om}\right] \ln\left[(z_h - d)/z_{oh}\right]}{k^2}$$

For open water evaporation ( $r_c=0$ ):

$$r_{a\_c} = 4.72 \ln\left[(z_u - d)/z_{om}\right] \ln\left[(z_h - d)/z_{oh}\right]$$

$T_{max}$  is the daily maximum air temperature (°C)

$T_{min}$  is the daily minimum air temperature (°C)

$RH_{max}$  is the daily maximum relative humidity (%)

$RH_{min}$  is the daily minimum relative humidity (%)

$e_s(T_{min})$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa) at  $T_{min}$

$e_s(T_{max})$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa) at  $T_{max}$

$T$  is the air temperature (°C)

$e_s(T_{min})$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa) at  $T_{min}$

$e_s(T_{max})$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa) at  $T_{max}$

$RH_{max}$  is the daily maximum relative humidity (%)

$RH_{min}$  is the daily minimum relative humidity (%)

$e_s$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa)

$RH$  is the relative humidity (%)

$e_s$  and  $e_a$  are the saturated and actual vapor pressures (Pa), respectively

$z_u$  is the height of wind speed measurements (m)

$z_h$  is the height of humidity measurements (m)

$h$  is the average height of the canopy (m)

$d$  is the zero plane displacement (m):  $d=2h/3$

$z_{om}$  is the momentum roughness length (m):  $z_{om}=0.123h$

$z_{oh}$  is the vapor roughness length (m):  $z_{oh}=0.1z_{om}$

$k$  is the von Karman's constant:  $k= 0.41$

Boundary-layer resistance (s/m)

$$r_a = \frac{r_{a-c}}{u_z}$$

For open water evaporation ( $r_c=0$ ):

$$r_a = \frac{r_{a-c}}{1 + 0.536u_z}$$

Atmospheric Pressure (Pa)

$$P_o = 101300 \left( \frac{273.15 + T}{273.15 + T + \kappa Z_e} \right)^{\frac{g}{R_a \kappa}}$$

Latent heat of vaporization (J/kg)

$$\lambda = 2.501 \times 10^6 - 2361T$$

Psychrometric constant (Pa/°C)

$$\gamma = \frac{c_p P_o}{0.622\lambda}$$

Slope of the vapor pressure function (Pa/°C)

$$\Delta = \frac{4098e_s}{(237.3 + T)^2}$$

Virtual temperature (K)

$$T_{vk} = (273.15 + T) \left( 1 + 0.378 \frac{e_a}{P_o} \right)$$

Air density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

$$\rho_a = \frac{P_o}{R_a T_{vk}}$$

Net radiation (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

$$R_n = (1 - \alpha) R_g - R_{nl}$$

Soil heat flux (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

For daily time step:

$$G = 0$$

For hourly or shorter time steps:

$$G = 0.1R_n \text{ when } R_n > 0$$

$$G = 0.5R_n \text{ when } R_n < 0$$

Canopy or bulk surface resistance (s/m)

$$r_c = \frac{R_{leaf}}{LAI_{act}}$$

$r_{a-c}$  is the coefficient for boundary-layer resistance (-)

$u_z$  is wind speed measurements (m/s)

(if  $u < 0.5$  m/s  $\Rightarrow r_a = r_{a-c}/0.5$  m/s)

T is the air temperature (°C)

g is the acceleration due to gravity (m/s<sup>2</sup>): g= 9.81

$R_a$  is the gas constant of air (m<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-2</sup>K<sup>-1</sup>):  $R_a \approx 287$

$\kappa$  is the adiabatic lapse rate (K/m):  $\kappa = 0.0065$

$Z_e$  is the measurement site altitude (m asl)

T is the air temperature (°C)

$c_p$  is the specific heat of moist air (J kg<sup>-1</sup>K<sup>-1</sup>):  $c_p = 1013$

$P_o$  is the atmospheric pressure (Pa)

$\lambda$  is the latent heat of vaporization (J/kg)

$e_s$  is the saturated vapor pressure (Pa)

T is the air temperature (°C)

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$e_a$  is the actual vapor pressure (Pa)

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$T_{vk}$  is the virtual temperature (K)

$R_n$  is the net radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$\alpha$  is the albedo

$R_g$  is the solar global radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$R_{nl}$  is the isothermal long-wave radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$R_n$  is the net radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$R_{leaf}$ : leaf stomata resistance (s/m)

$LAI_{act}$  is the active Leaf Area Index

Modified Psychrometric constant (Pa/°C)

$$\gamma^* = \gamma \left( 1 + \frac{r_c}{r_a} \right)$$

$\gamma$  is the psychrometric constant (Pa/°C)

$r_c$  is the canopy surface resistance (s/m)

$r_a$  is the boundary-layer aerodynamic resistance (s/m)

Radiation term (mm)

$$rET = \frac{\Delta(R_n - G)}{\lambda(\Delta + \gamma^*)} t_s \cdot 60$$

$\Delta$  is the slope of the vapor pressure function (Pa/°C)

$R_n$  is the net radiation (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

$G$  is the soil heat flux (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

$\lambda$  is the latent heat of vaporization (J/kg)

$\gamma^*$  is the modified psychrometric constant (Pa/°C)

$t_s$  is the data time step (minutes)

$$rET = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad rET < 0$$

Aerodynamic term (mm)

$$aET = \frac{\rho_a c_p VPD}{\lambda(\Delta + \gamma^*) r_a} t_s \cdot 60$$

$\rho_a$  is the air density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

$c_p$  is the specific heat of moist air (J kg<sup>-1</sup>K<sup>-1</sup>):  $c_p = 1013$

VPD is the vapor pressure deficit (Pa)

$\lambda$  is the latent heat of vaporization (J/kg)

$\Delta$  is the slope of the vapor pressure function (Pa/°C)

$\gamma^*$  is the modified psychrometric constant (Pa/°C)

$t_s$  is the data time step (minutes)

Potential Evapotranspiration (mm)

$$ET_p = rET + aET$$

$rET$  is the evapotranspiration radiation term (mm)

$aET$  is the evapotranspiration aerodynamic term (mm)

## PARAMETER VALUES FOR THE REFERENCES CROP

- Crop height: 0.12 m
- Albedo: 0.23
- Active Leaf Area Index:  $2.88/2 = 1.44$
- Leaf stomata resistance (s/m):

For daily time step:  $R_{leaf} = 100.8$  s/m when  $R_n > 0$ ,  $R_{leaf} = 1008$  s/m when  $R_n < 0$

For hourly or shorter time steps:  $R_{leaf} = 72$  s/m when  $R_n > 0$ ,  $R_{leaf} = 288$  s/m when  $R_n < 0$

## COMPUTING THE ISOTHERMAL LONG WAVE RADIATION

Clear sky total solar global radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$$R_{so} = (0.75 + 2 \times 10^{-5} Z_e) R_a \frac{60}{0.0036 t_s}$$

$Z_e$  is the measurement site altitude (m asl)

$R_a$  is the extraterrestrial solar radiation (MJ m<sup>-2</sup>)

Apparent net emissivity for clear sky conditions

$$\varepsilon' = a1 + b1 \sqrt{e_a} \times 10^{-3}$$

$a1$  and  $b1$  are coefficients with default values:  $a1 = 0.34$ ,  $b1 = -0.139$

$e_a$  is the actual vapor pressure (Pa)

Cloudiness factor

$$f = ac \frac{R_g}{R_{so}} + bc \quad \text{where} \quad 0.3 \leq \frac{R_g}{R_{so}} \leq 1$$

$ac$  and  $bc$  are coefficients ( $ac + bc = 1$ ) with default values:  $ac = 1.35$ ,  $bc = -0.35$

$R_g$  is the solar global radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$R_{so}$  is the clear sky solar global radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)

$f_o$  is the cloudiness factor of the previous period (default value 0.6)

$$0 \leq f \leq 1$$

$$f < 0 \quad \text{when} \quad f = f_o$$

Net long wave radiation ( $\text{W m}^{-2}$ )

For daily time step:

$$R_{nl} = f\varepsilon'\sigma \frac{(273.15 + T_{min})^4 + (273.15 + T_{max})^4}{2}$$

For hourly or shorter time steps:

$$R_{nl} = f\varepsilon'\sigma(273.15 + T)^4$$

$f$  is the cloudiness factor

$\varepsilon'$  is the net emissivity for clear sky conditions

$\sigma$  is the Stefan-Boltzman ct. ( $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-4}$ ):  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8}$

$T_{max}$  is the daily maximum air temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

$T_{min}$  is the daily minimum air temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

$T$  is the air temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

## COMPUTING THE EXTRATERRESTRIAL SOLAR RADIATION

Solar declination (rad)

$$\delta = \frac{23.45\pi}{180} \sin \left[ \frac{2\pi}{N_{year}} (J - 80.75) \right]$$

$J$  is the day of year:  $1 \leq J \leq N_{year}$

$N_{year}$  is the number of days in year (366 for leap years)

Inverse relative distance Earth-Sun

$$d_r = 1 + 0.033 \cos \left( \frac{2\pi}{N_{year}} J \right)$$

$J$  is the day of year:  $1 \leq J \leq N_{year}$

$N_{year}$  is the number of days in year (366 for leap years)

Seasonal correction for solar time (h)

$$S_c = 0.1645 \sin(2b) - 0.1255 \cos(b) - 0.025 \sin(b)$$

$J$  is the day of year:  $1 \leq J \leq N_{year}$

$$\text{with } b = \frac{2\pi}{364} (J - 81)$$

Note: For monthly time step  $J$  corresponds to day 15 of the corresponding month.

Time of solar noon (h)

$$h_o = 12 - (L_z - L_m) \frac{180}{15\pi} - S_c$$

$L_z$  is the longitude of the local time meridian (rad):

for Greenwich,  $L_z = 0$

$L_m$  is the longitude of the measurement site (rad)

$S_c$  is the seasonal correction for solar time (h)

Clock time (h)

$$h = d_t - d_{ls} - \frac{t_s}{2 \cdot 60}$$

$d_t$  is the local standard time (h)

$d_{ls}$  is the difference to solar time (h)

$t_s$  is the data time step (minutes)

Solar time angle at midpoint of the period (rad)

$$\omega = \frac{\pi}{12} (h - h_o)$$

$h$  is the clock time (h)

$h_o$  is the time of solar noon (h)

Sunset hour angle (rad)

$$\omega_s = \arccos \left[ -\tan(\varphi) \tan(\delta) \right]$$

$\varphi$  is the latitude of the measurement site (rad)

$\delta$  is the solar declination (rad)

Sinus of the solar altitude angle (rad)

For daily time step:

$$\sin \theta = \omega_s \sin(\varphi) \sin(\delta) + \cos(\varphi) \cos(\delta) \sin(\omega_s)$$

$\omega_s$  is the sunset hour angle (rad)

$\varphi$  is the latitude of the measurement site (rad)

$\delta$  is the solar declination (rad)

$\omega_1$  is solar time angle (rad) at the beginning of period

$\omega_2$  is solar time angle (rad) at the end of the period

For hourly or shorter time steps

$$\sin \theta = (\omega_2 - \omega_1) \sin(\varphi) \sin(\delta) +$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \cos(\varphi) \cos(\delta) [\sin(\omega_2) - \sin(\omega_1)] \\
\sin \theta = 0 \quad & \text{when } \omega_2 = \omega_1
\end{aligned}
\quad
\begin{aligned}
\omega_1 &= \omega - 0.5 \frac{\pi}{12} \frac{t_s}{60} & \omega_1 &= -\omega_s \text{ when } \omega_1 < -\omega_s \\
\omega_2 &= \omega + 0.5 \frac{\pi}{12} \frac{t_s}{60} & \omega_2 &= -\omega_s \text{ when } \omega_2 < -\omega_s \\
& & \omega_1 &= \omega_s \text{ when } \omega_1 > \omega_s \\
& & \omega_2 &= \omega_s \text{ when } \omega_2 > \omega_s
\end{aligned}$$

Extraterrestrial solar irradiance falling on a surface parallel to the ground ( $\text{MJ m}^{-2}$ )

$$R_a = \frac{t_s G_{sc} d_r \sin \theta}{\pi}$$

$t_s$  is the data time step (minutes)

$G_{sc}$  is the solar constant ( $\text{MJ m}^{-2} \text{ min}^{-1}$ ):  $G_{sc} = 0.08202$

$d_r$  is the inverse relative distance Earth-Sun

$\sin \theta$  is sinus of the solar altitude angle (rad)

### COMPUTING $R_{leaf}$ AS A FUNCTION OF GLOBAL RADIATION

According to Jarvis (1976) and Stewart (1988) the leaf stomata resistance ( $R_{leaf\_min} \leq R_{leaf} \leq R_{leaf\_max} = 4100 \text{ s/m}$ ) can be estimated as the product of the minimum resistance,  $R_{leaf\_min}$  (i.e. maximum conductance) corresponding to optimal conditions, times various stress functions (interacting without synergy), which vary with temperature, relative humidity, global radiation, leaf water potential (and thus also soil water potential), and ambient  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration. When none of the factors is limiting,  $R_{leaf} = R_{leaf\_min}$ .

To compute the stomatal resistance here, only those stress functions were considered, which accounts for the response of stomata to radiation, temperature and humidity:

$$R_{leaf} = R_{leaf\_min} F_1^{-1} F_2^{-1} F_3^{-1}$$

The influence of solar radiation can be expressed in terms of a hyperbolic function of the form (Stewart, 1988):

$$F_1 = \frac{R_g (1 + c / R_{g\_max})}{c + R_g}, R_g > 0$$

$$F_1 = \frac{R_{leaf\_min}}{R_{leaf\_max}}, R_g = 0$$

where  $R_g$  is global solar radiation with  $R_{g\_max} = 1300 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  and  $c$  is a shape parameter. Stewart (1988) derived a mean value of  $c=100$ , showing that this equation is not sensitive to a  $\pm 20\%$  variation of this parameter.

Stomata open as ambient temperature increases up to an optimum value ( $T_{opt}$ ), after which they start closing. Thus, the response of stomata to temperature is given by:

$$F_2 = 1 - k [(273.15 + T) - T_{opt}]^2$$

where  $T$  is ambient temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). Following Lhomme et al. (1998),  $T_{opt} = 298 \text{ K}$  and  $k = 0.0016 \text{ K}^{-2}$ .

According to Leuning (1995) and Daily et al. (2004), the effect of air humidity on stomatal resistance can be computed as:

$$F_3 = \frac{1}{1 + \text{VPD} / \text{VPD}_x}$$

where  $\text{VPD}$  is the vapor pressure deficit ( $\text{kg kg}^{-1}$ ) and  $\text{VPD}_x$  is  $0.0077 \text{ kg kg}^{-1}$ .

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