

# ET from Reference Crop

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- ET<sub>0</sub>=reference ET (Tall or Short)
- R<sub>n</sub>=net radiation (MJ m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>)
- G=Soil heat flux density (MJ m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>)
- T<sub>a</sub>=daily air temp (°C)
- μ=Daily wind speed (m s<sup>-1</sup>) at 2 m
- e<sub>s</sub>=saturated vapor pressure (kPa)
- e<sub>a</sub>=actual vapor pressure (kPa)
- Δ=the slope of the saturation vapor pressure-temperature curve ((kPa °C<sup>-1</sup>)
- γ=the psychrometric constant (kPa °C<sup>-1</sup>)
- C<sub>n</sub>=numeric constant that changes with reference crop
- C<sub>d</sub>=denominator constant that changes with reference crop

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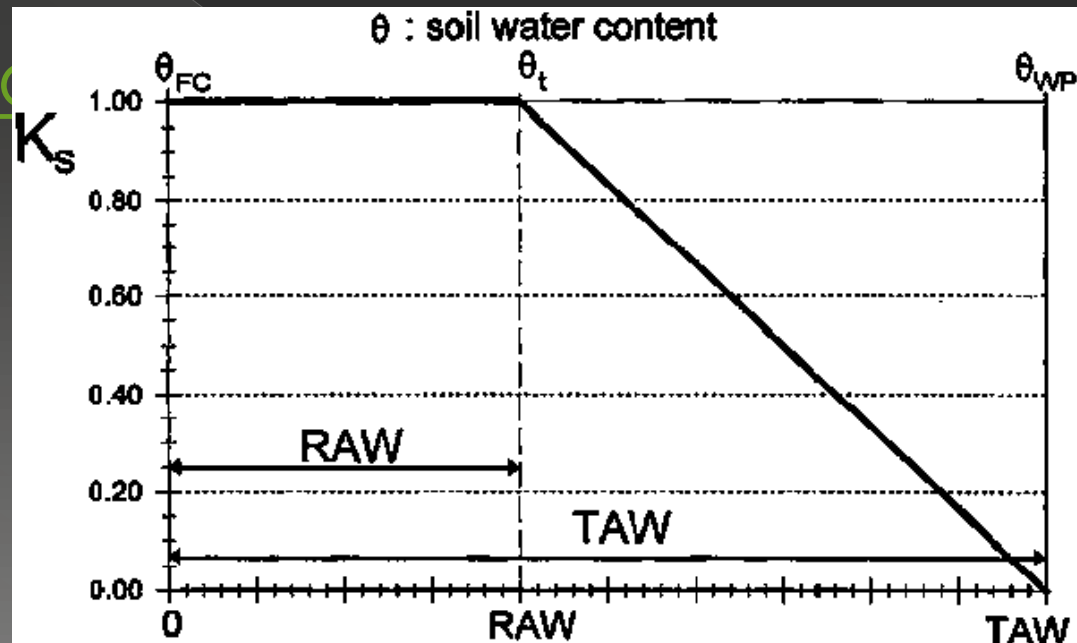
- Step by Step Calculation of the Penman-Monteith Evapotranspiration (FAO-56 Method)
- <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/ae459>

# Crop Coefficients (kc)

- Kc will vary based on:
  - > Crop growth stage, row spacing geometry, and “maybe” variety of crop
- Link to factsheet containing crop coefficients
  - > <http://www.ianrpubs.unl.edu/epublic/pages/publicationD.jsp?publicationId=1237>

# Impacts of water stress on ET

- ET is only affected by Water stress when readily available water (RAW) is depleted
- Grow it is restricted, we want to avoid this if possible
- <http://www.fao.org/0e0e.htm>



# Additional adjustments to Kc

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- <http://www.fao.org/docrep/x0490e/x0490e0b.htm>

# Efficiencies and Uniformities

- Application efficiency ( $E_a$ )

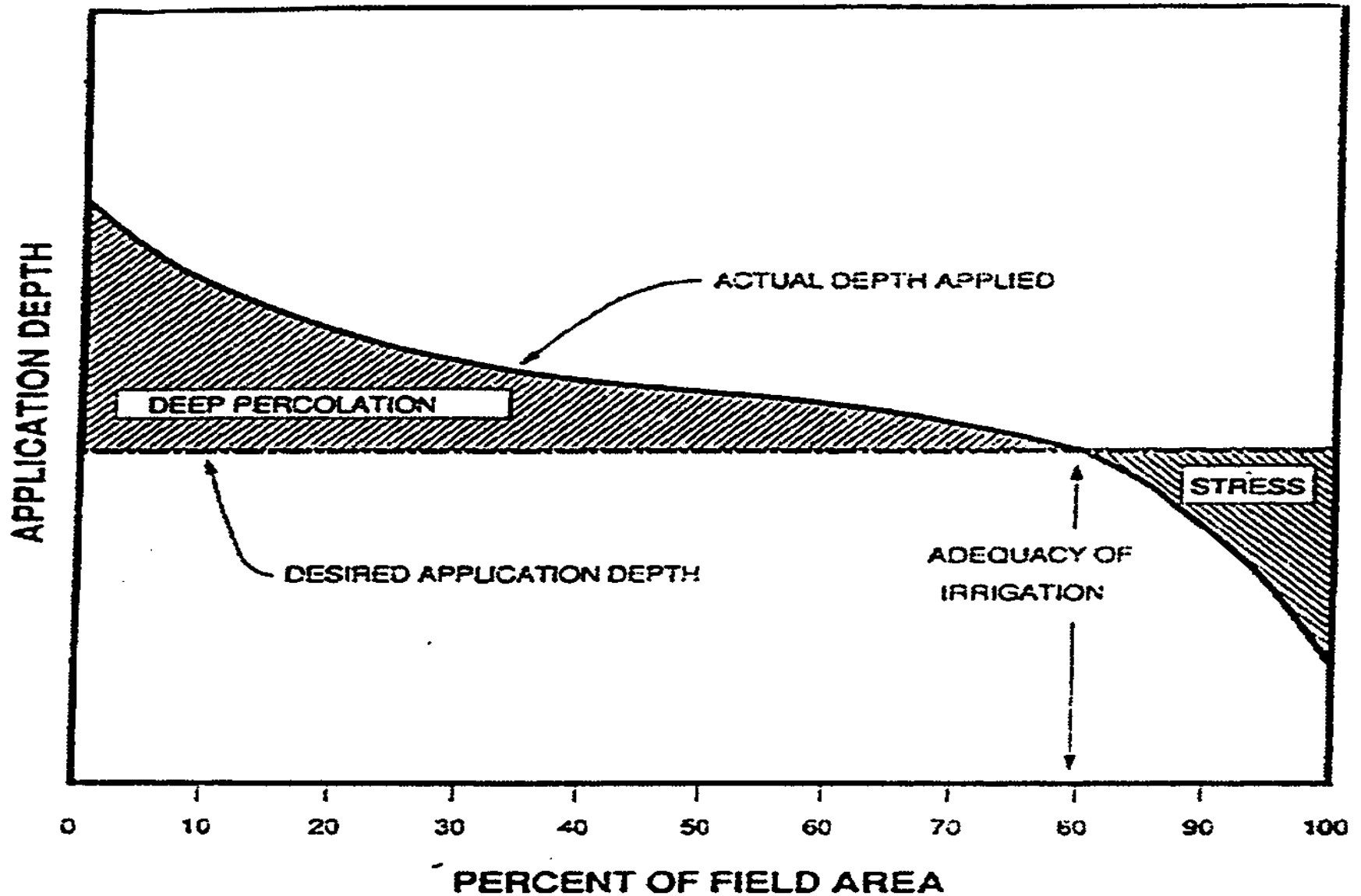
$$E_a = \frac{d_n}{d_g}$$

- >  $d_n$  = net irrigation depth
- >  $d_g$  = gross irrigation depth
- > fraction or percentage

- Water losses

- > Evaporation
- > Drift
- > Runoff
- > Deep percolation

# Water Losses



# Application Uniformity

- ◉ Distribution uniformity (DU)

$$DU = 100 \left[ \frac{d_{LQ}}{d_z} \right]$$

- >  $d_{LQ}$  = average low-quarter depth of water received
- >  $d_z$  = average depth applied
- ◉ Popular parameter for surface irrigation systems in particular



# Application Uniformity Cont'd...

- Christiansen's Coefficient of Uniformity (CU)

$$CU = 100 \left[ 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|d_z - d_i|}{nd_z} \right]$$

- > n = number of observations (each representing the same size area)
- >  $d_z$  = average depth for all observations
- >  $d_i$  = depth for observation i
- Popular parameter for sprinkler and microirrigation systems in particular
- For relatively high uniformities (CU > 70%), Eq. 5.4 and 5.5 relate CU to DU

Turf Sprinkler Uniformity Test

(catch cans placed on a 5 ft x 5 ft grid)

