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A simple heat and moisture transfer model to predict ground temperature for shallow ground heat exchangers

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1 **Nomenclature**

Latin symbols	<i>LAI</i> leaf area index
<i>a</i> surface albedo	Greek symbols
b_1, b_2, b_3 empirical parameters describing the relationship between soil thermal conductivity and water content	α soil thermal diffusivity, m^2/s
<i>C</i> volumetric heat capacity, $J/(m^3K)$	Δ slope of the saturation vapor pressure curve, kPa/K
<i>Clay</i> soil clay content, % (by weight)	ε soil emissivity
c_m air specific heat, $J/(kgK)$	γ psychrometric constant
<i>d</i> displacement height, m	θ soil volumetric water content, cm^3/cm^3
<i>E</i> actual evaporation, $kg/(m^2s)$ or (mm/s)	θ_r residual soil water content, cm^3/cm^3
e_a actual vapor pressure, kPa	θ_s saturated soil water content, cm^3/cm^3
E_p evaporation potential, mm/s	θ_1 soil water content of the upper layer in the soil water budget model, mm
e_s saturation vapor pressure, kPa	θ_2 soil water content of the deeper layer in the soil water budget model, mm
f_m volumetric fraction of solid	θ^* soil moisture storage capacity, mm
f_{OM} volumetric fraction of organic matter	θ_1^* soil moisture storage capacity of the upper layer, mm
<i>G</i> heat transfer from/to soil, W/m^2	θ_2^* soil moisture storage capacity of the deeper layer, mm
<i>H</i> sensible heat flux, W/m^2	ρ_a air density, kg/m^3
h_c crop height, m	ρ_b soil bulk density, g/cm^3
h_1 thickness of the upper layer in the soil water budget model, mm	ρ_{OM} bulk density of soil organic matter, g/cm^3
h_2 thickness of the deeper layer in the soil water budget model, mm	ρ_s soil solid particle density, g/cm^3
<i>k</i> thermal conductivity, $W/(mK)$	ρ_w water density, kg/m^3
<i>k</i> von Karman constant (0.41)	σ Stephan-Boltzman constant, W/m^2K^4
<i>L</i> latent heat of vaporization of water, J/kg	<i>P</i> rainfall rate, mm/s
<i>OM</i> soil organic matter content, % (by weight)	r_a aerodynamic resistance, s/m
R_a incoming long-wave radiation emitted by the atmosphere, W/m^2	Subscripts and superscripts
r_c crop canopy resistance, s/m	<i>i</i> grid number
<i>RH</i> relative humidity	<i>j</i> time step number
R_n net radiation, W/m^2	Acronyms
R_s net short-wave radiation, W/m^2	GHE Ground Heat Exchangers
r_1 stomatal resistance of a single leaf, s/m	GSHP Ground Source Heat Pump
<i>t</i> time, s	FAO Food and Agriculture Organization
<i>T</i> soil temperature, K	<i>Ef</i> Efficiency
T_a air temperature at a height of 2 m, K	<i>ME</i> Mean absolute error
T_s soil surface temperature, K	<i>MBE</i> Mean bias error
u_z wind speed at height z_m , m/s	
<i>z</i> depth, m	
z_{oh} roughness length for water vapor, m	
z_{om} roughness length for momentum, m	
z_m measuring height of wind speed, air temperature and air humidity, m	
\emptyset soil porosity	

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