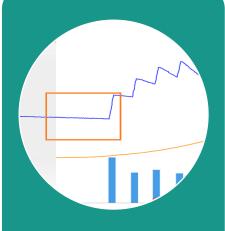


Irrigation Strategy

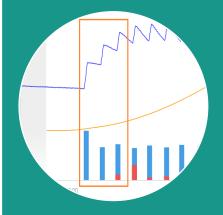




1º Stage

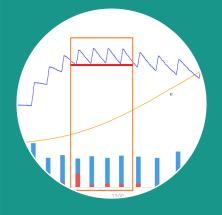
- From sun Rise
- To first irrigation
 When lost -1 / -2%
 weight

Or 2 hours



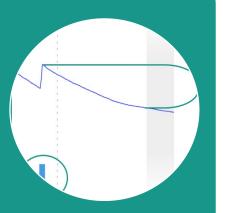
2º Stage

- From first irrigation
- Until 2-3rd irrigation
- Find weight % from last day irrigation
- Cycle of 100-250 j/cm2
- Irrigate based radsum



3º Stage

- After reach the water content level.
- 100-250 J/cm2 between irrigations.
- Until last irrigation
- Maintain EWA
- EC sum: 2,5-4,0
- Security condition -2% / -3%



4º Stage

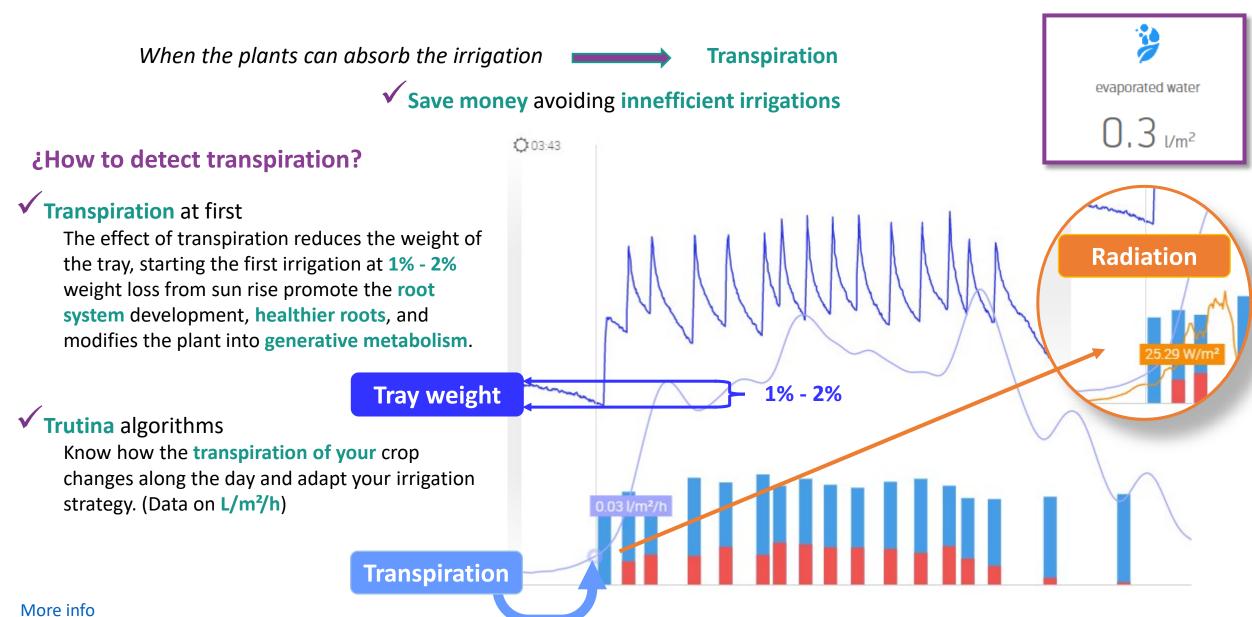
- Last irrigation
- 2-3h before the sunset

^{*} This defined values are theorical, can be changed during the trial based on day by day observation.



When to start the irrigation





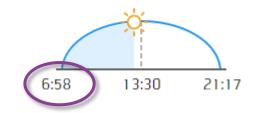


Weight lost from sun rise to first irrigation





The optimum range is between when **transpiration** starts and **ABA** production.



Strong

> - 1,5%



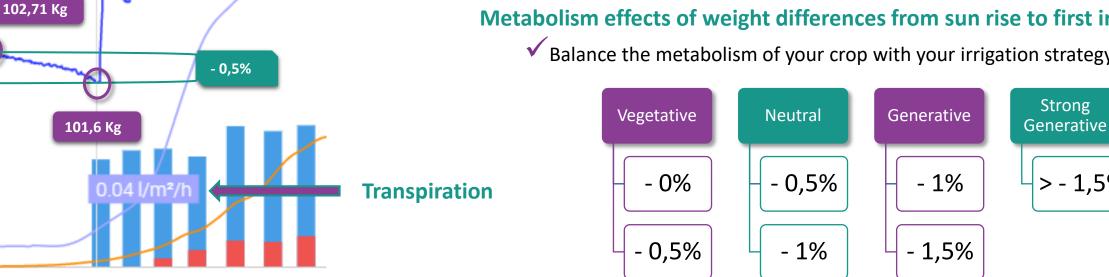
- ✓ Force the plants to produce new root development
- Promote the absorption of nutrients and healthy roots
- ✓ Balance the crop between Vegetative/Generative

Strategy

From sun rise (6:58 am) irrigate once the weight lost of the tray downs -1%

Metabolism effects of weight differences from sun rise to first irrigation

✓ Balance the metabolism of your crop with your irrigation strategy





Weight increase from first irrigation to last day %

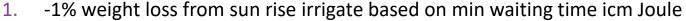




Find the % of weigh from the **last irrigation** from last day



Irrigations



- 2. 15-30 min delay, irrigate based on min waiting time icm Joule
- 3. (Optional) 15-30 min delay, irrigate based on min waiting time icm Joule

Strategy

Irrigate 2 -3 times until find the value of % weight on the last irrigation from the previous day.

Condition:

If the % weight from last irrigation of last day is **reached** on 2º irrigation **start next step**

Programing example:

	Irrigation	Step	Weight %	From	То	When	Duration
	19	1	45,6 Kg	Sun rise (6:58)	1º irrigation	45,14 Kg (-1%)	Based on min waiting time icm Joule
	2º	2	-	1º Irrigation	2º Irrigation	15-30 min delay	Based on min waiting time icm Joule
	3ō	2	-	2º Irrigation	3º Irrigation	15-30 min delay	Based on min waiting time icm Joule





From 3rd Irrigation until sun zenith



3º Stage Water & EC control

The optimum is to maintain **EWA stable** and control the **EC** with drain





187.39 J/cm²

From stage 2º to last irrigation irrigate based on radiation each 150-200 J/cm2

-2% -3%

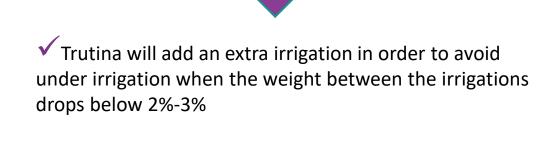
100 - 250 J/cm2

Objectives

- Maintain the water content
- ✓ Facilitate the nutrient absorption during the hot period of the day.

Security Condition:

If the % weight from last irrigation goes under 2- 3% start next irrigation



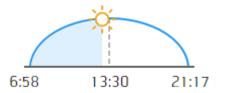


Last irrigation



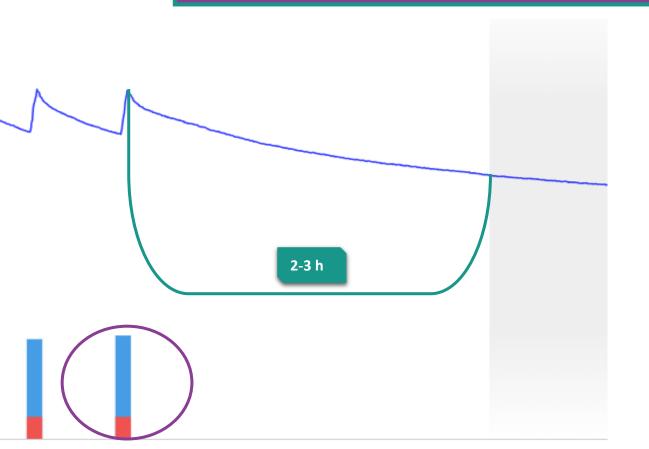


Promote Vegetative/Generative development



Strategy

From last irrigation to sun set there must be 2-3 h.

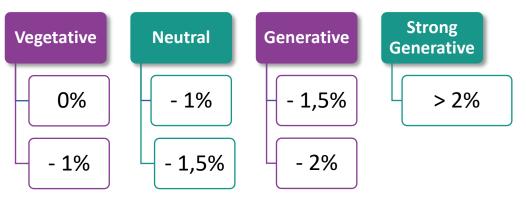


Objectives

Reducing the water flow in the substrate helps to the root systems to absorb microelements more easily

Is the time of the sunset changing day by day in your irrigation machine?

Development in relation to weight drop from last irrigation to sun set





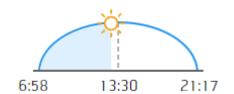
Standard Irrigation Strategy

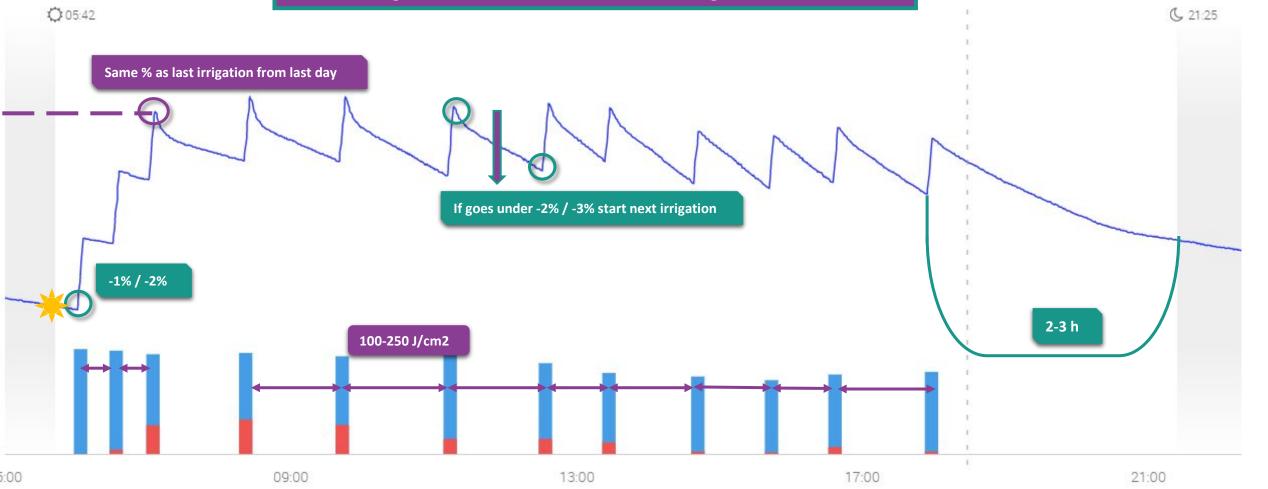


Strategy

This is a standard irrigation strategy, for maximize the yield production its mandatory to do modifications day by day to adjust:

- Drainage at the end of the day
- ❖ Weight % difference between last and first irrigation







Weight % loss from last to first irrigation



Objectives

- **✓ Development control** with the weight difference
- ✓ Stear the plants into **Vegetative/Generative**
- ✓ From last irrigation to sunset the water on the bag should go down slowly for absorbtion of macro elements.

Development effects from weight drop

