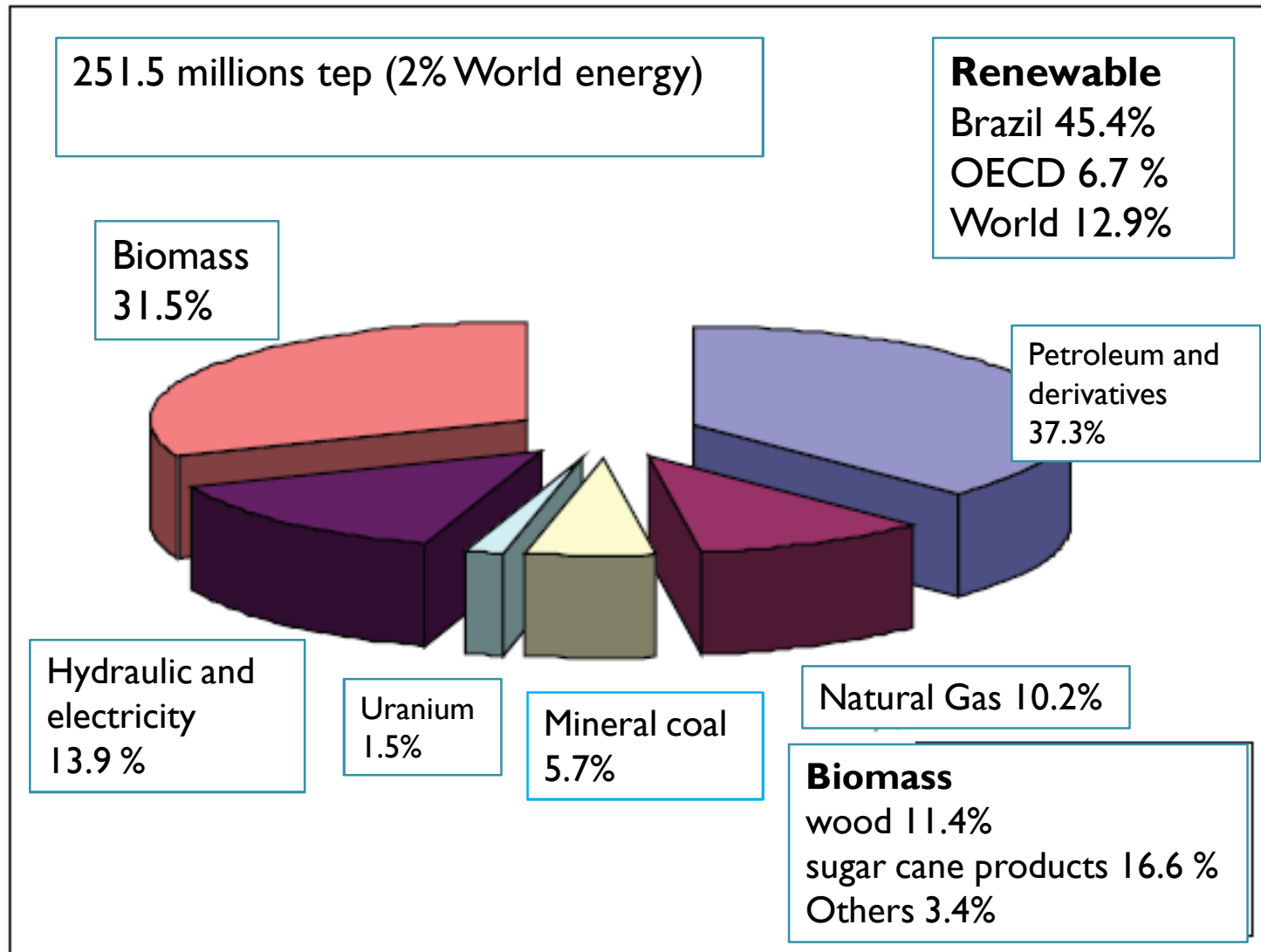




Logistics – Sugar Cane Harvest and Transportation

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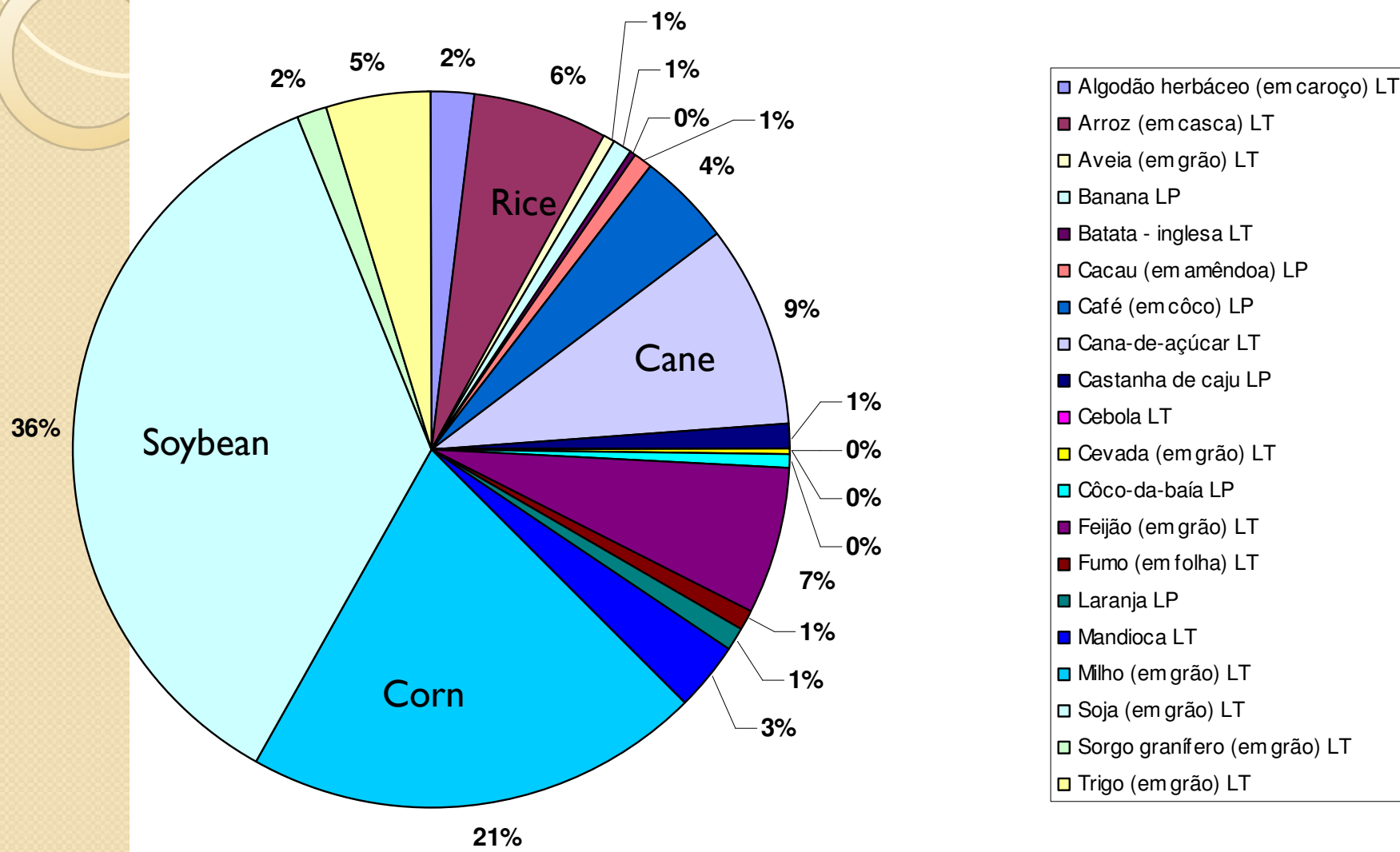
Internal energy supply in Brazil (2008)



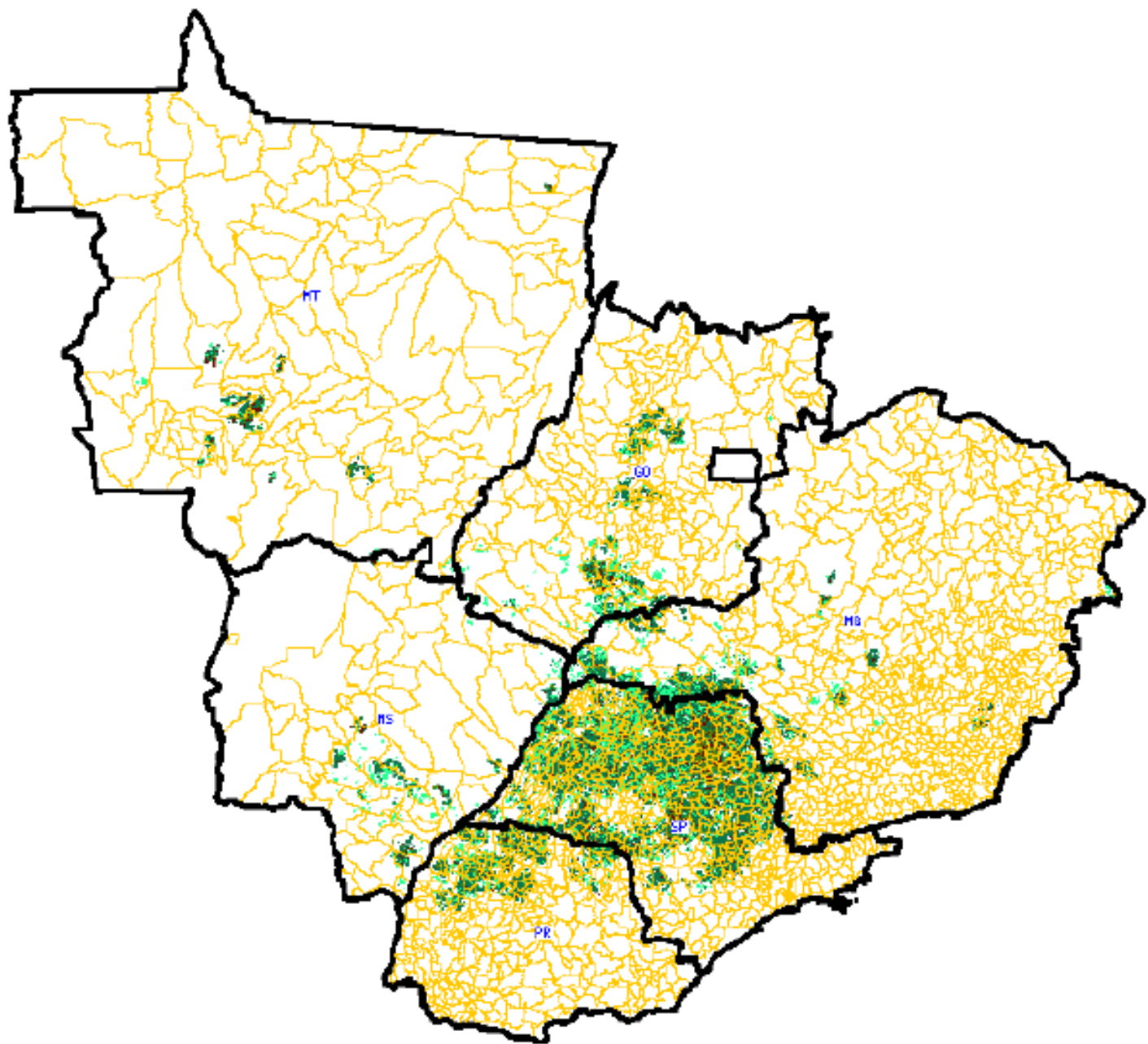
Sugar cane production in Brazil

Actual and Potential

Cultivated area in Brazil

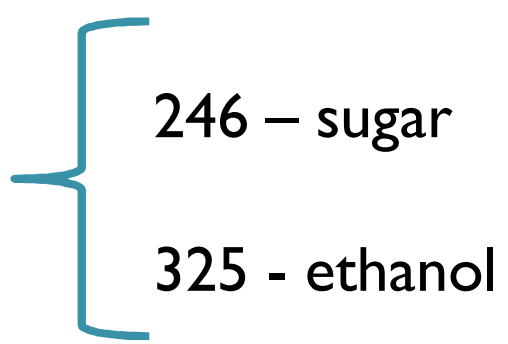




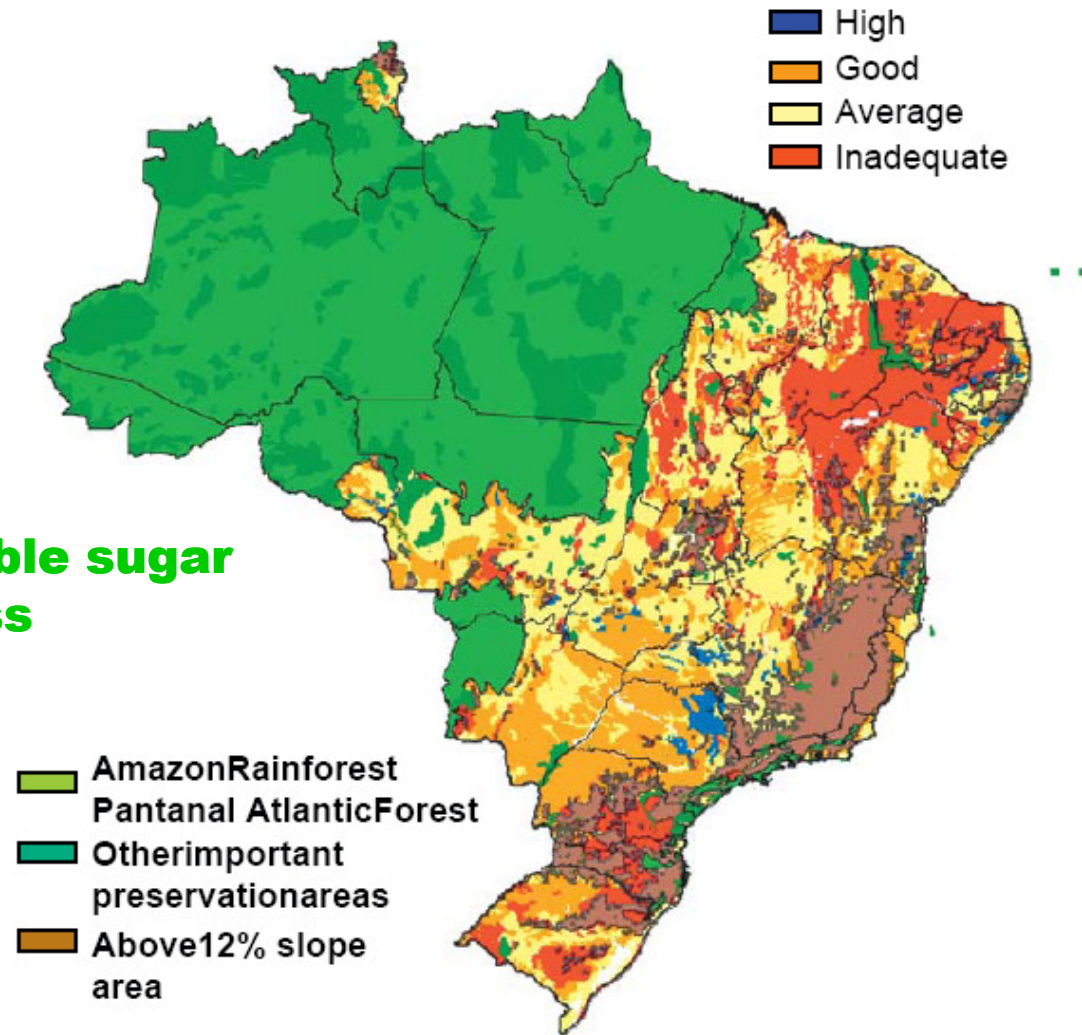


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SUGAR CANE (2007-2008)

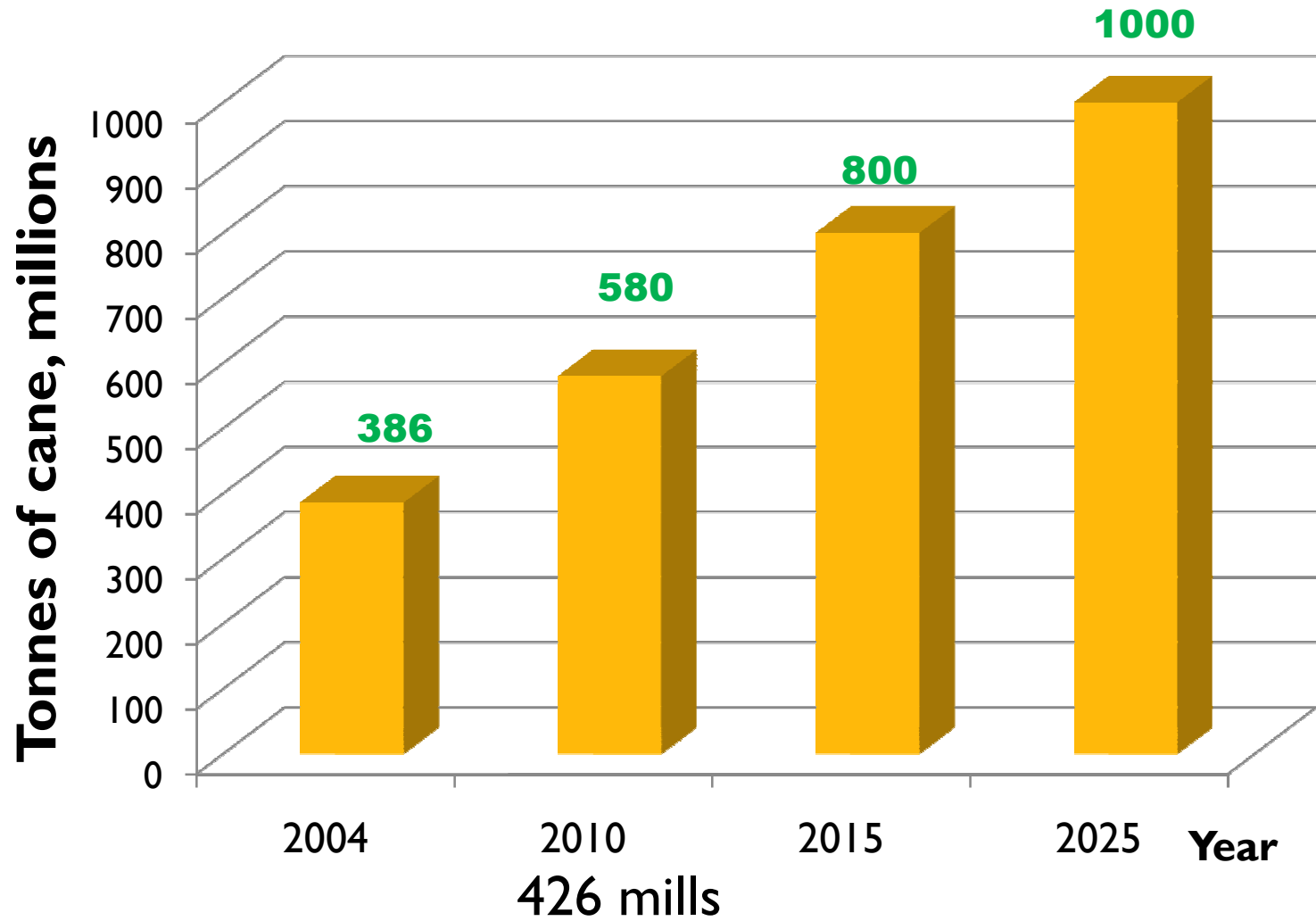
- **7.0 million hectares**
- **571 million tonnes cane** 
 - 246 – sugar
 - 325 - ethanol
- **Yield average – 81.7 tonnes per ha**
 - **26,6 billion liters of alcohol**
 - **32 million tonnes of sugar**

Potential for sugarcane production without irrigation.



Potential area available sugar cane or other biomass 90 million ha.

Sugar cane production





SUGAR CANE

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Leaves

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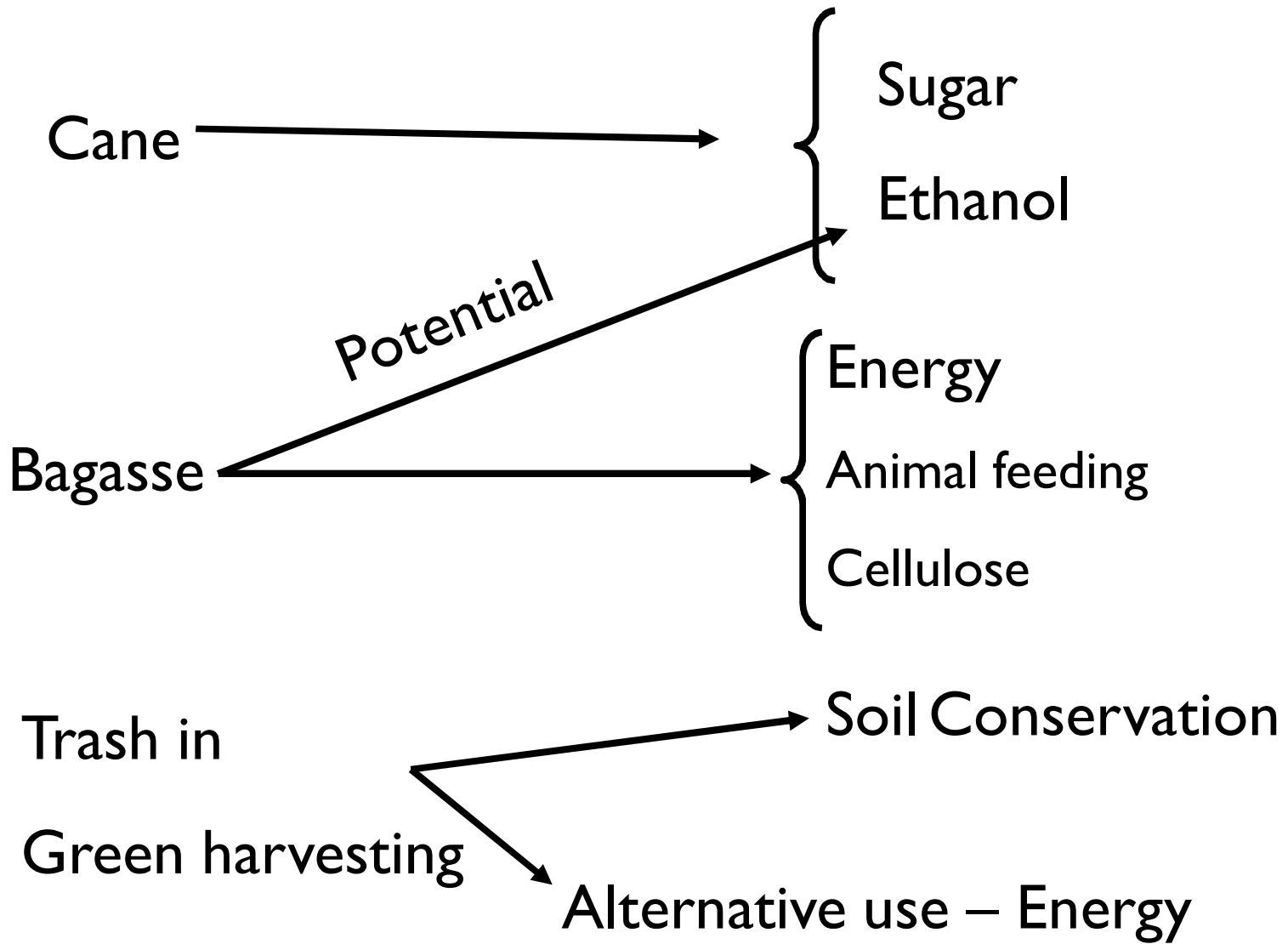


Cane

Juice 1/3

Fiber 1/3





Energy from sugar cane

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| • 1 Ton of cane | • Energy MJ |
| • 90 litres of ethanol | • 2.300 |
| • 280 kg of bagasse (50% mc) | • 2.600 |
| • 280 kg of trash (50% mc) | • 2.600 |
| • Total | • 7.500 (0.165 TEP) |
| 571 millions tonnes of sugar cane | • 94 millions of TEP |



HARVESTING

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Pre-harvesting cleaning process

Trash burning





In São Paulo 50% of the area still been burned and 30% manual harvested.

Advantages – Eliminate the leaves

Facilitate the harvesting process

Reduce vegetal impurities

Reduces harvesting cost per ton

Allows manual harvesting

Green harvesting



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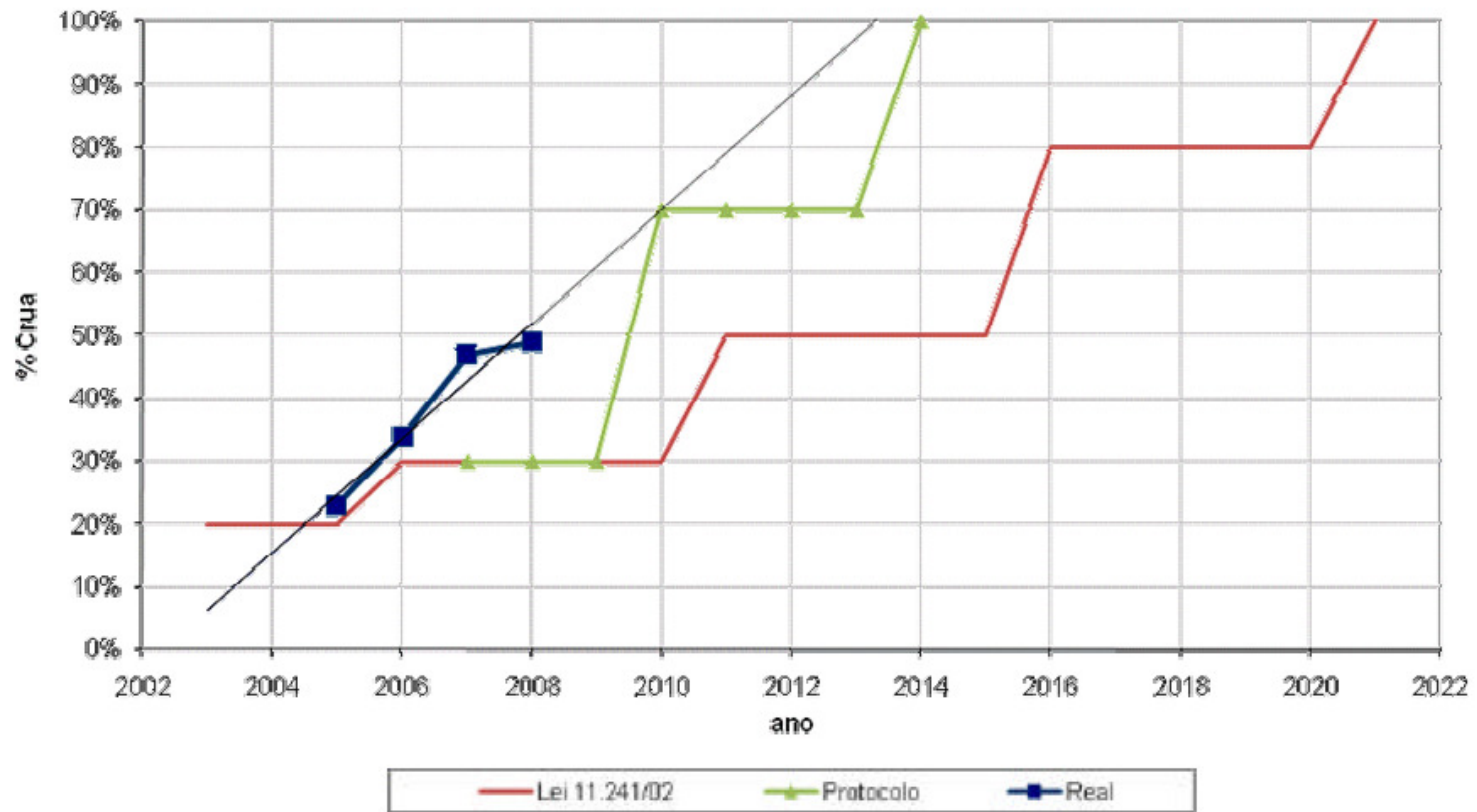
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Why green harvesting ?

- Environmental and legal restriction
- Potential of using trash as energy source
- Soil protection against erosion
- Improve water availability
- Carbon sequestration

UNICA - signed a protocol of intentions in which its associates (individually and voluntarily) may accept to phase out trash burning practice until 2014, in mechanized areas, and 2017, in non-mechanizable areas

Green cane harvesting schedule



INPE - 2009

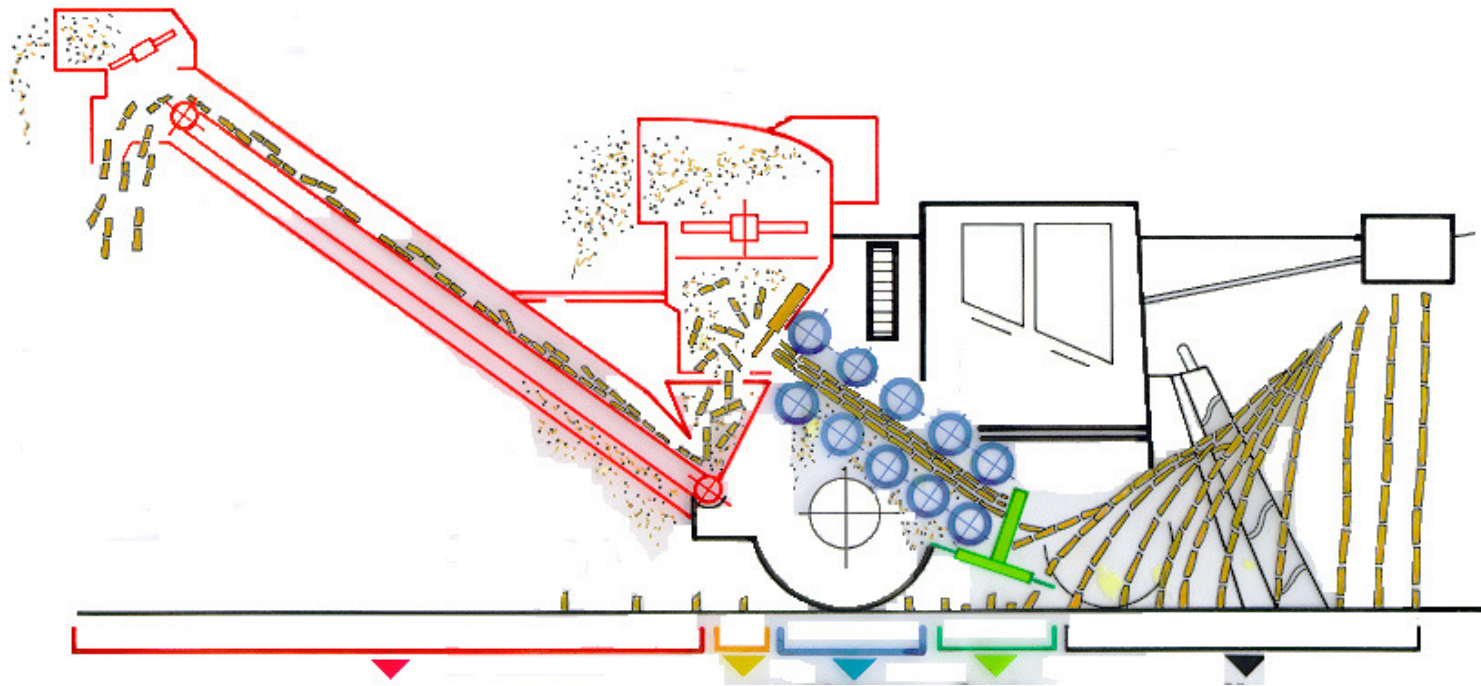
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The harvester



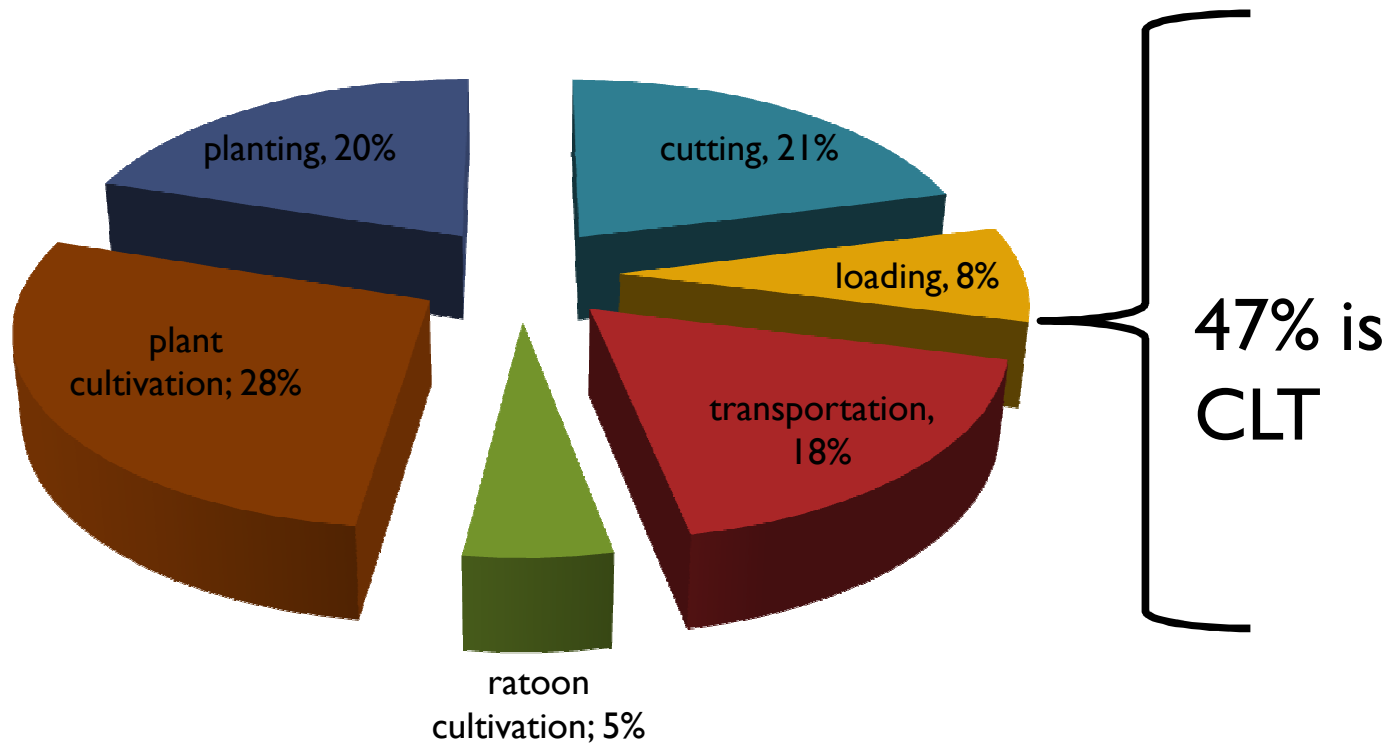
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Sectional view of cane harvest

All the harvesters present the same principle of operation

60% of the ethanol production cost is associated to the agricultural sector



Logistic for mechanized sugar cane harvesting CLT



- 1) Harvesting and load transfer to infield wagon

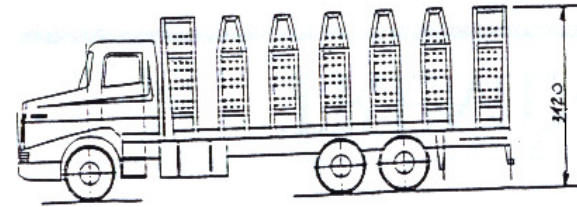


- 2) Load transfer to trucks

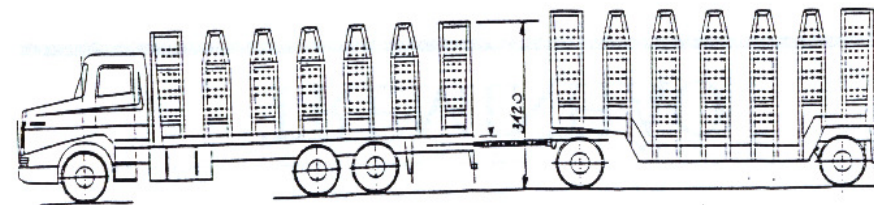


TRANSPORTATION

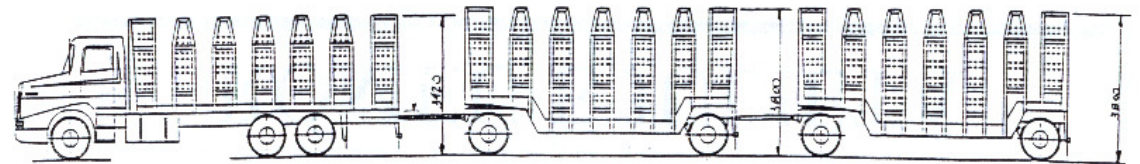
- Truck - single



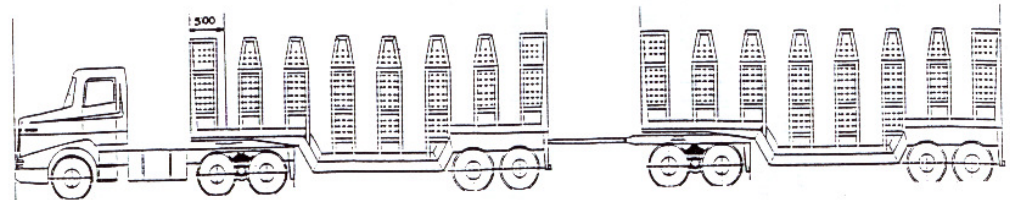
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- Treminhão



- Rodotrem





Transportation





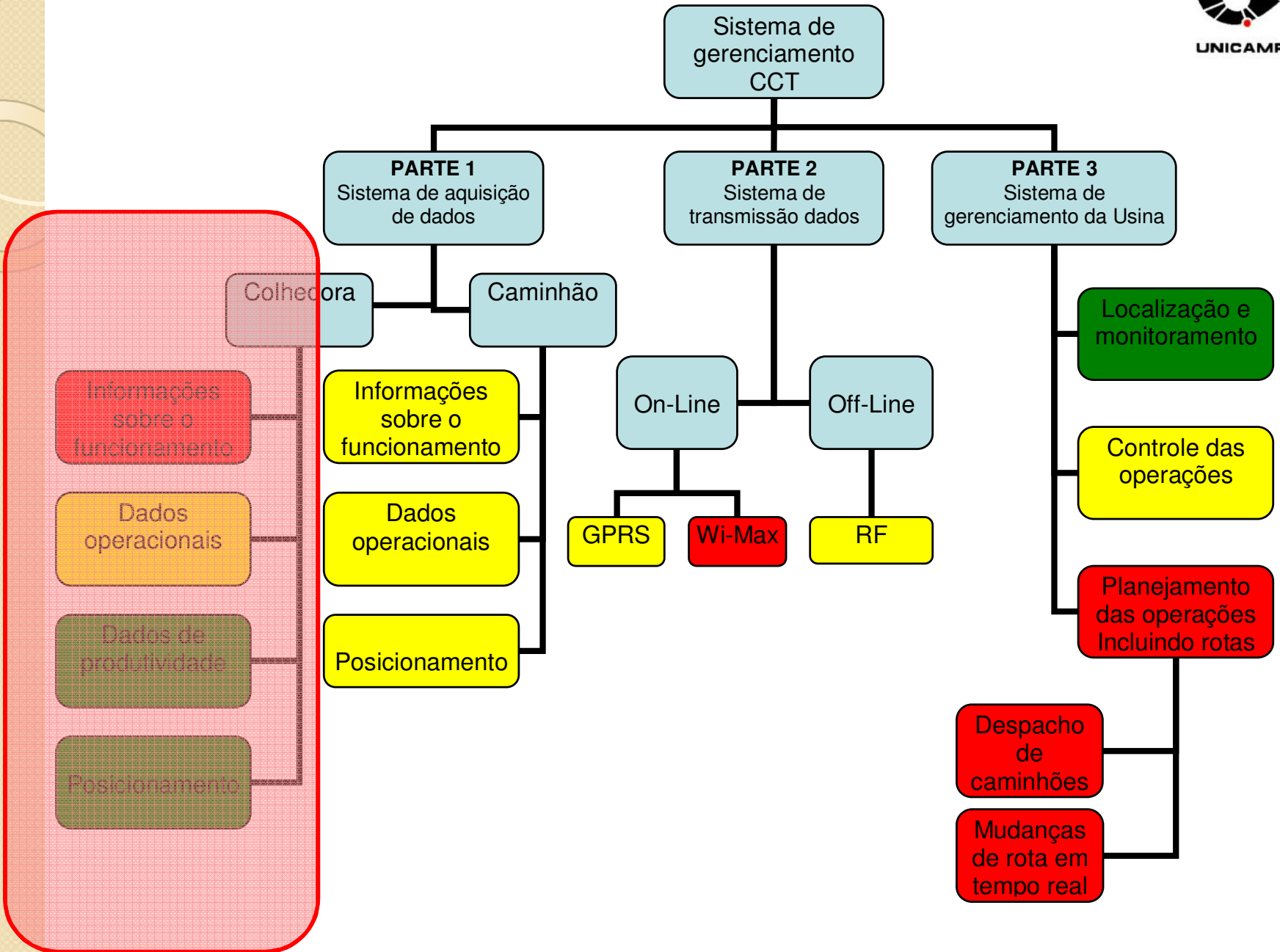
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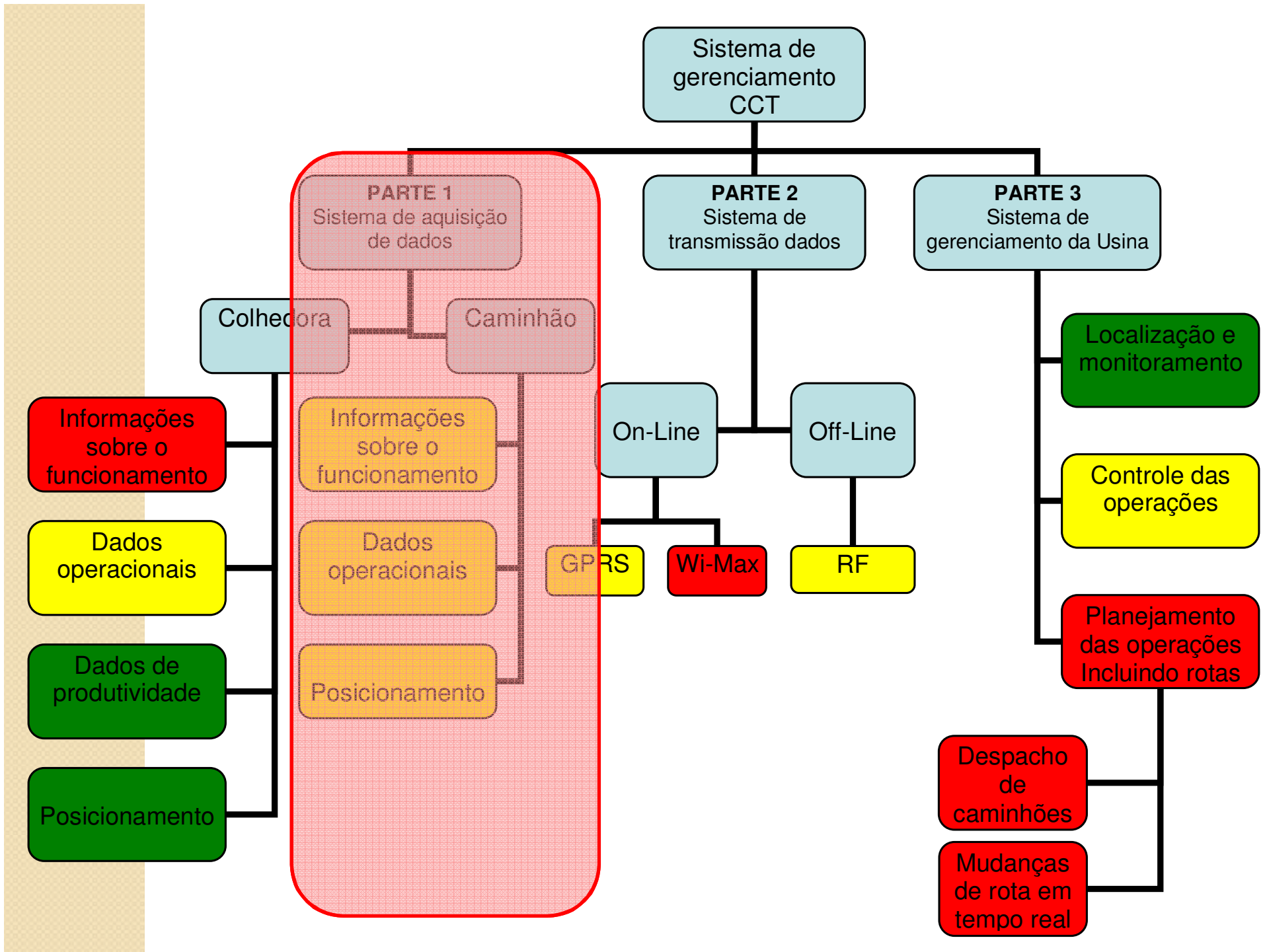


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**FIELD MANAGEMENT OF
HARVESTING LOADING
AND TRANSPORTATION
SYSTEM (CLT)**





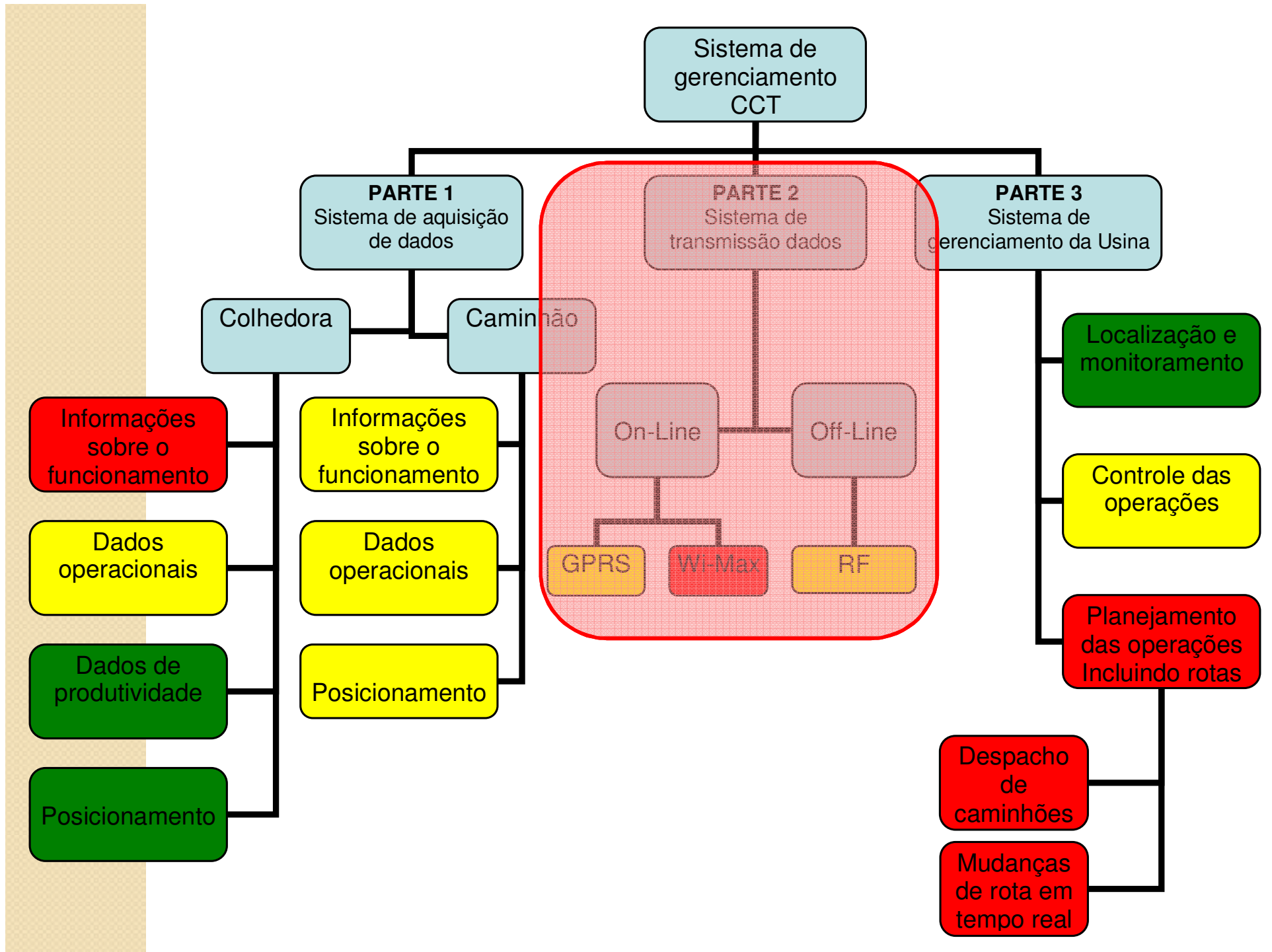


Antena RF e Coletor

Antenas:
GPS / GPRS

Sensores





CLT System

- Harvester data
- Truck data
- driver
- occurrence

- Harvester data
- Tractor data
- Truck data
- Driver
- occurrence



Wi-Max / GPRS



PIMS
SIG-CLT

Wi-Max / GPRS



- Harvester data
- driver
- Occurrence

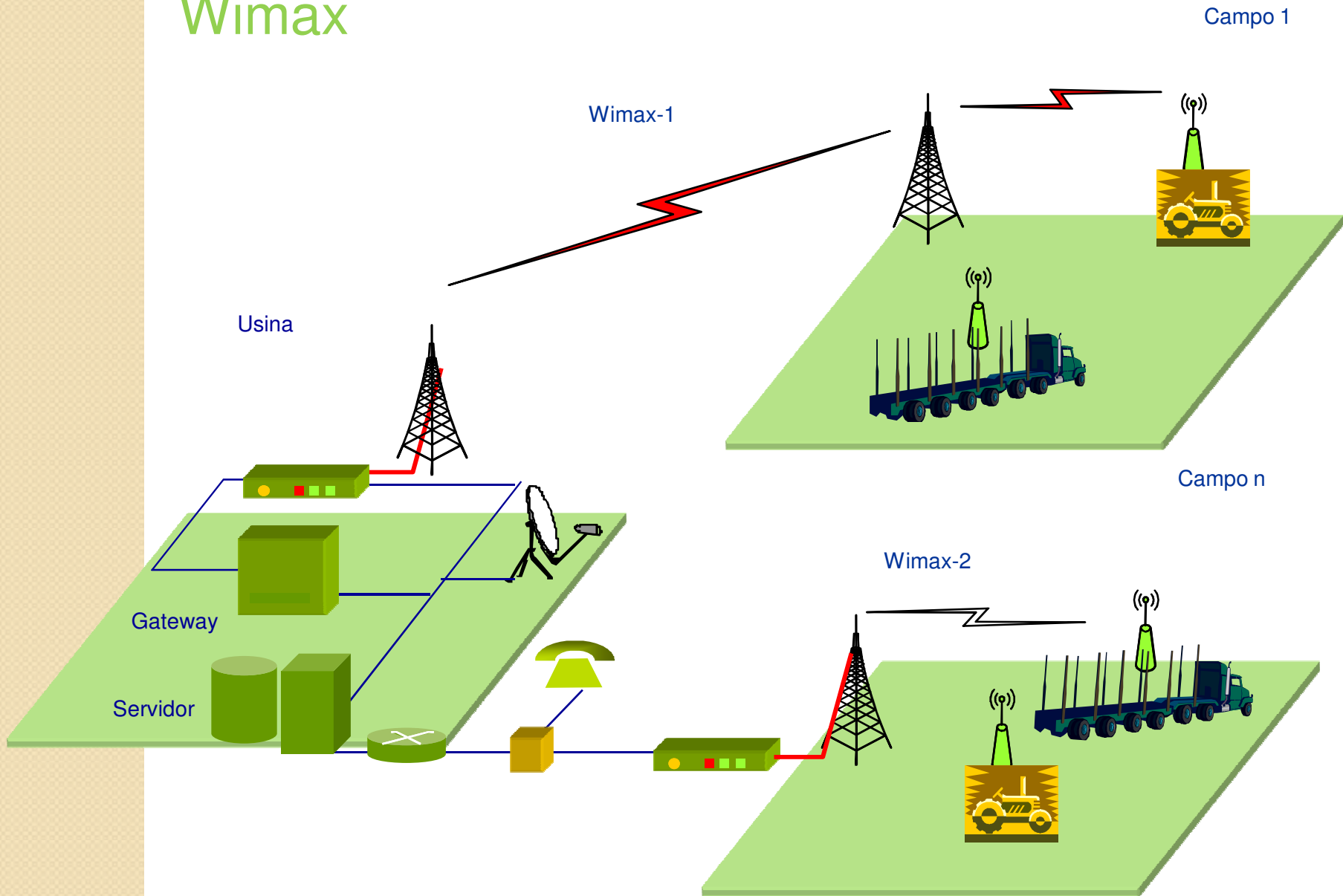
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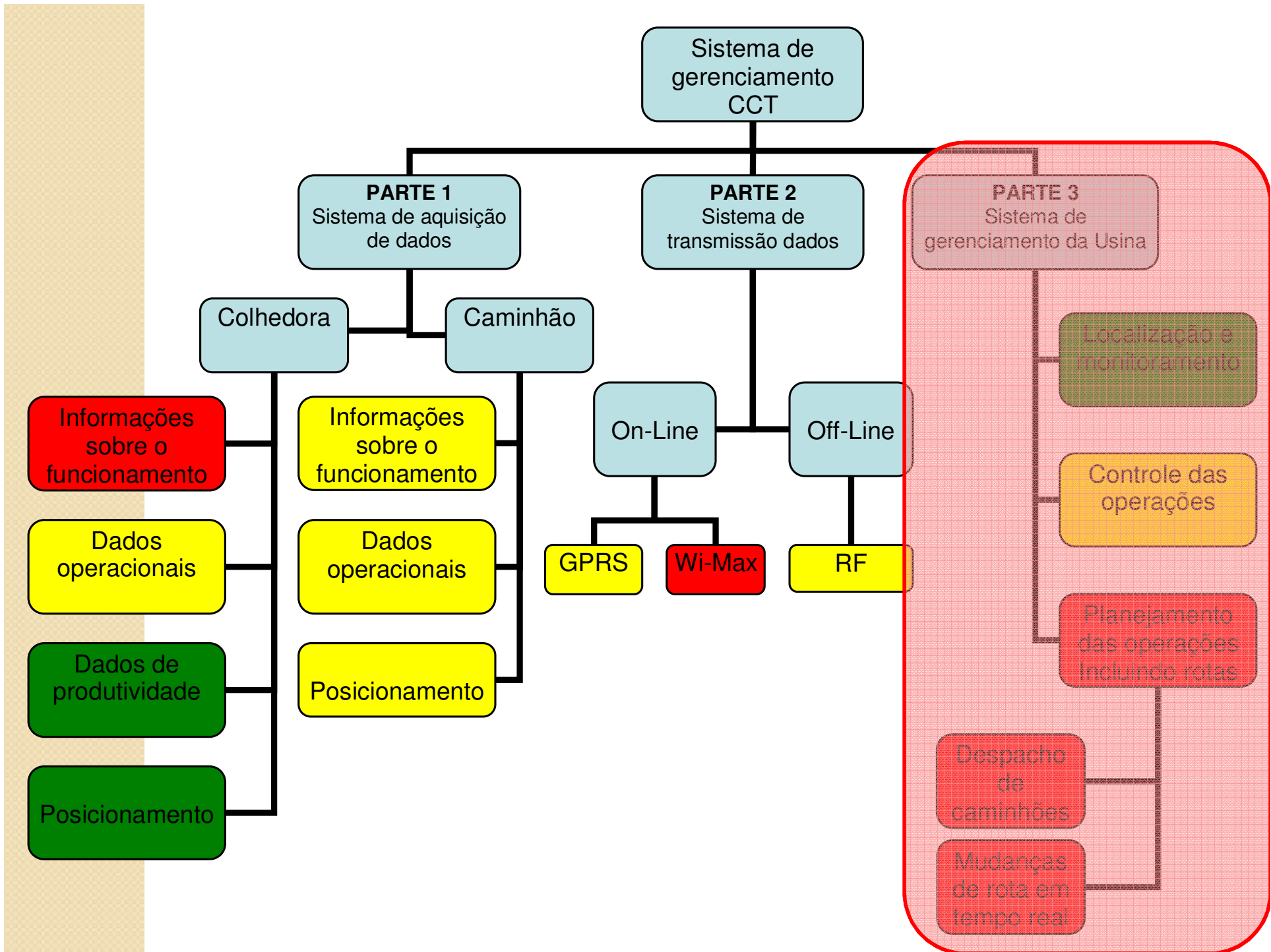


Operational data for each wagon

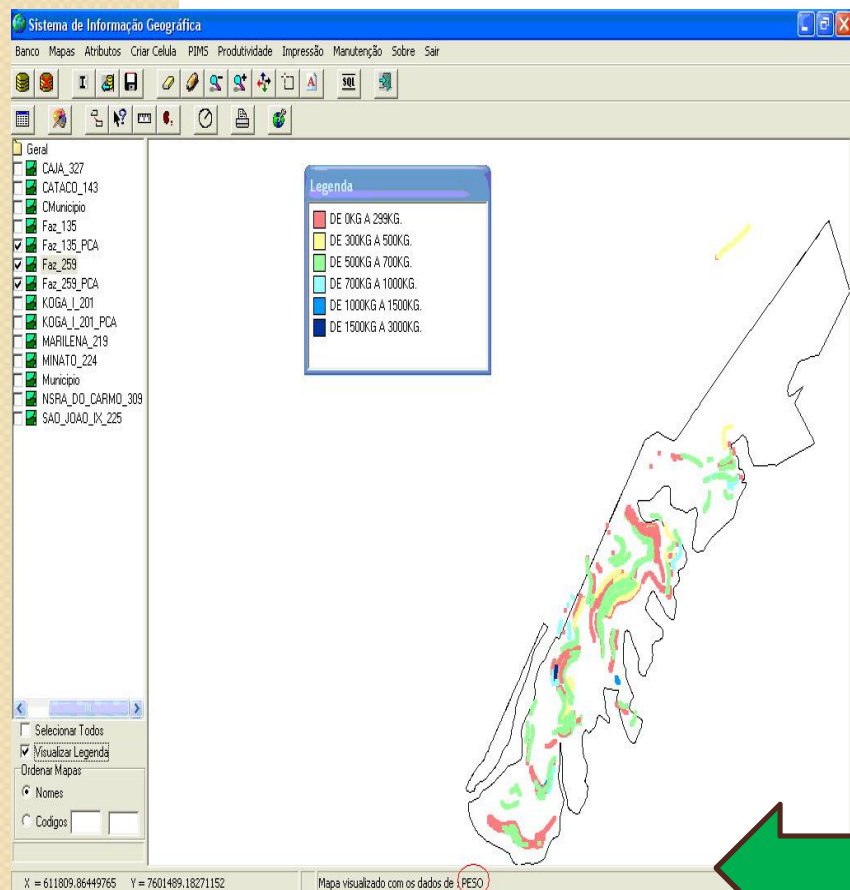


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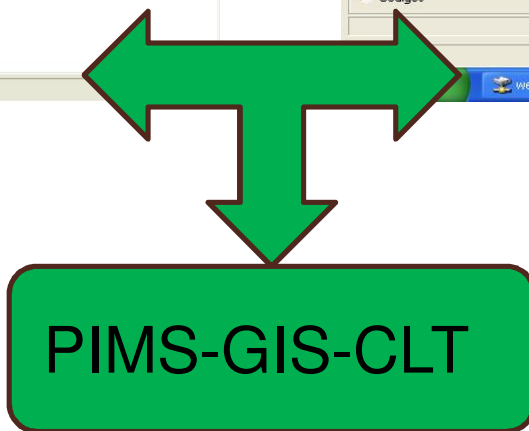
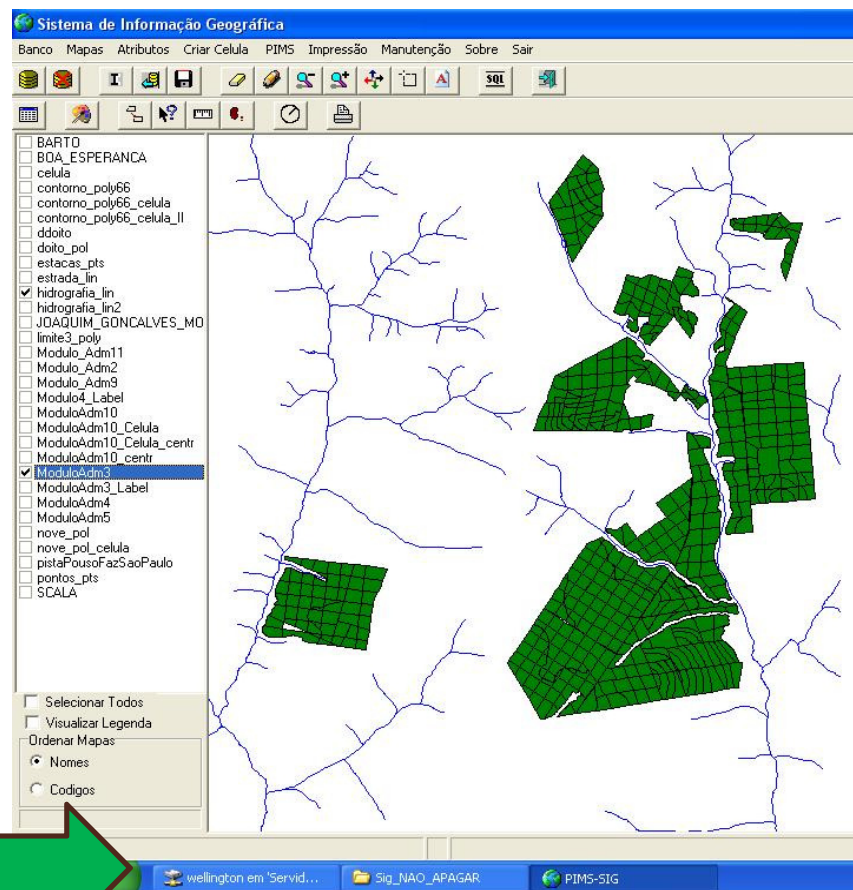




PIMS-GIS-Agriculture



PIMS-GIS-Logistics



Output from the system


- a) Operational time;
- b) Harvester performance parameters
- c) Total harvested area
- d) Performance of the all harvester team;
- e) Operator performance t/day
- f) Reasons for machinery stop and interruptions
- g) Average time for loading;



LOGISTICS FOR TRASH RECOVERY

Biomass: ethanol (sugar) + bagasse + trash



A photograph showing a person's legs and feet standing in a field of straw mulch. The person is wearing light-colored trousers and dark shoes. The straw is spread evenly across the ground, covering the soil. The background is a dense field of straw, extending to the horizon. The overall scene is in grayscale, with a blue tint overlaid on the text.

Sustainability - No tillage

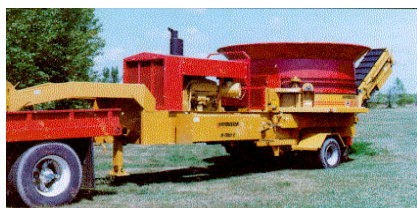
- Lower cost
- Soil Conservation
- Moisture Conservation
- Nutrient Conservation
- Reduction of CO₂ emission

Technological solution





Cost of Baled Trash



	US\$ / t _{MS}
Windrowing	0,5 a 1
Baling	4 a 6
Grab loading	0,8 a 1,5
Transport (20 km)	5 a 7
Unloading	0,5 a 1
Grinding	0,5 a 1

TOTAL	12 a 18

Integral harvesting



Ripoli, 2005

INTEGRAL Handling

Harvester



Self tipping wagon
(billets + trash)



Transportation



Cleaning station



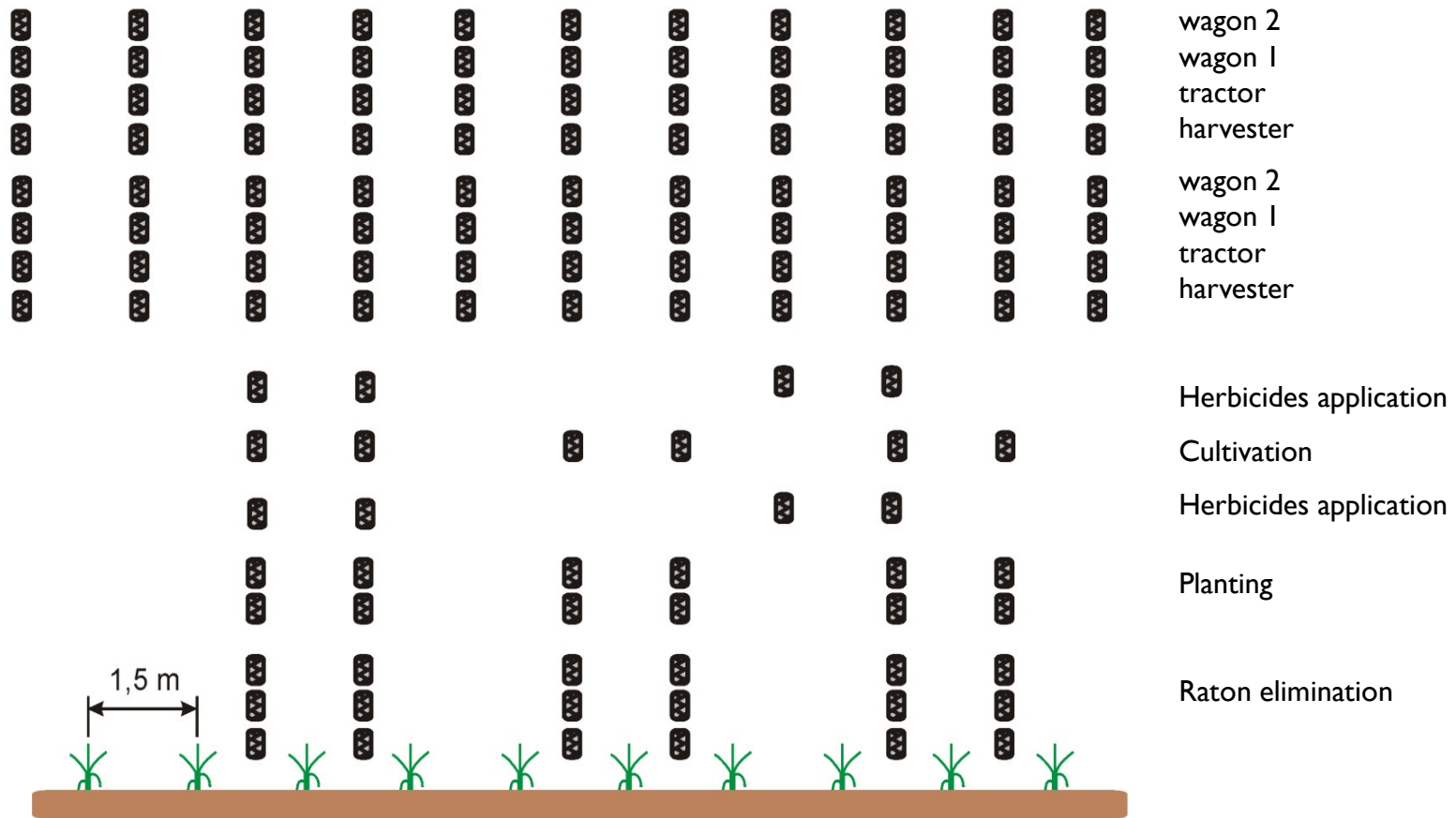


LOGISTICS FOR FIELD OPERATIONS

Controlled Traffic

- Sugar cane are planted with at 1.5 m uniform row space.
- With this system in each row there is a 16 pass of tires with different loads.
 - Harvester – 18 t – 4 wheels – 4.5 t each wheel
 - Tractor – 10 t – 4 wheels – 2.5 t each wheel
 - Wagon (2) – 14 t each – 4 wheel – 3.5 t each wheel

Conventional system



Number of pass during the first year

Controlled traffic



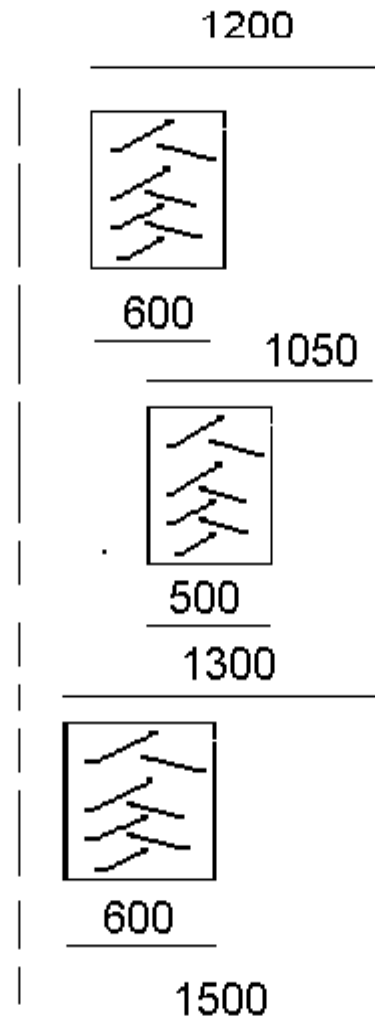
–Total – 56 t – average of 116 kN/m²

Controlled Traffic

Harvester

Tractor

Wagon

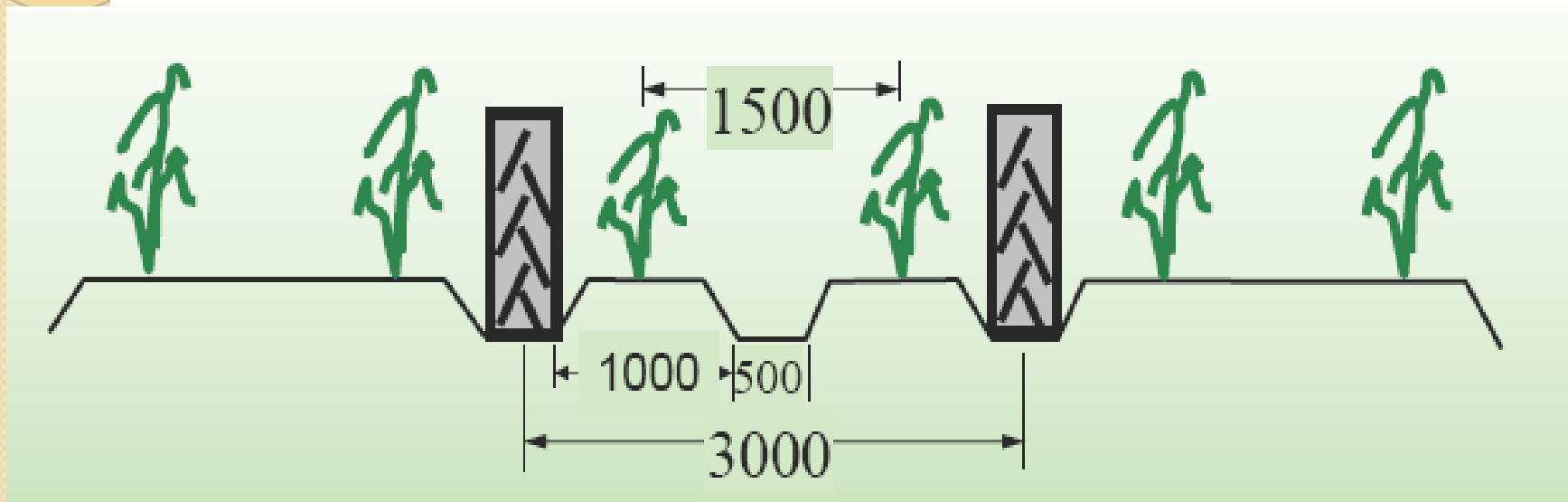


Sugar cane rows

Some mills are adopting a controlled traffic at same extend

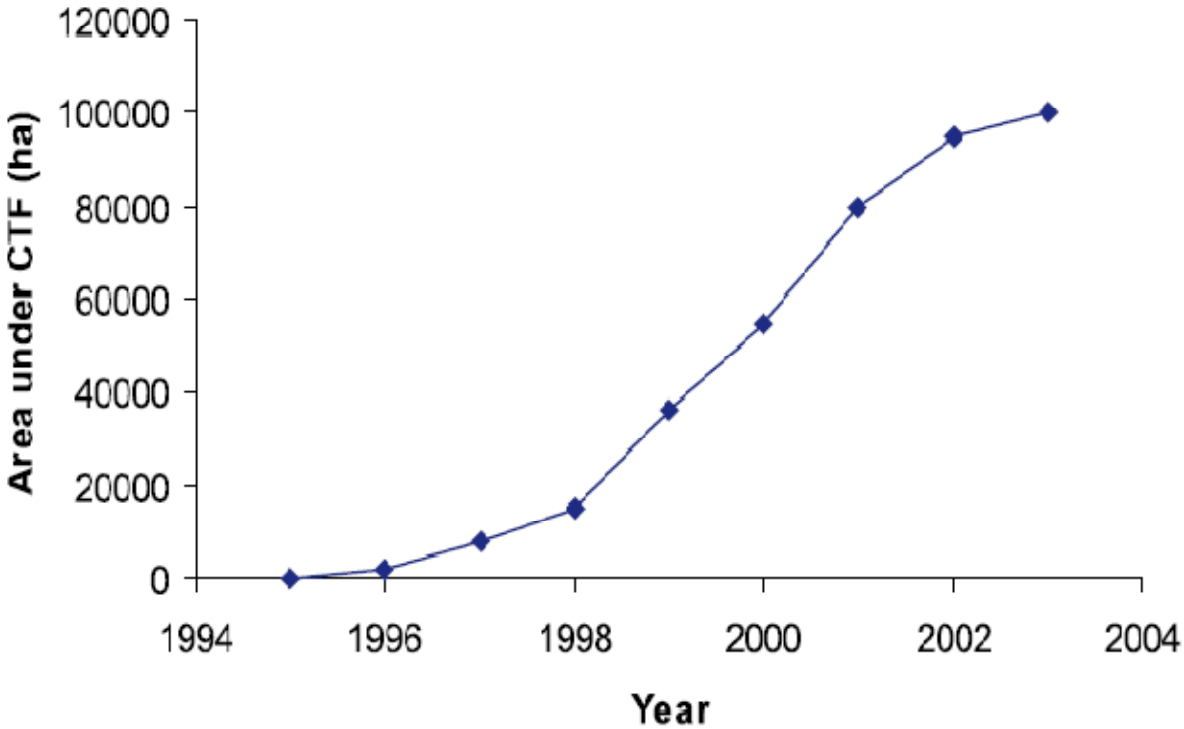


increasing wheel spacing





Australia experience in traffic control



Controlled Traffic



Reduces soil Compaction

Israel

USA

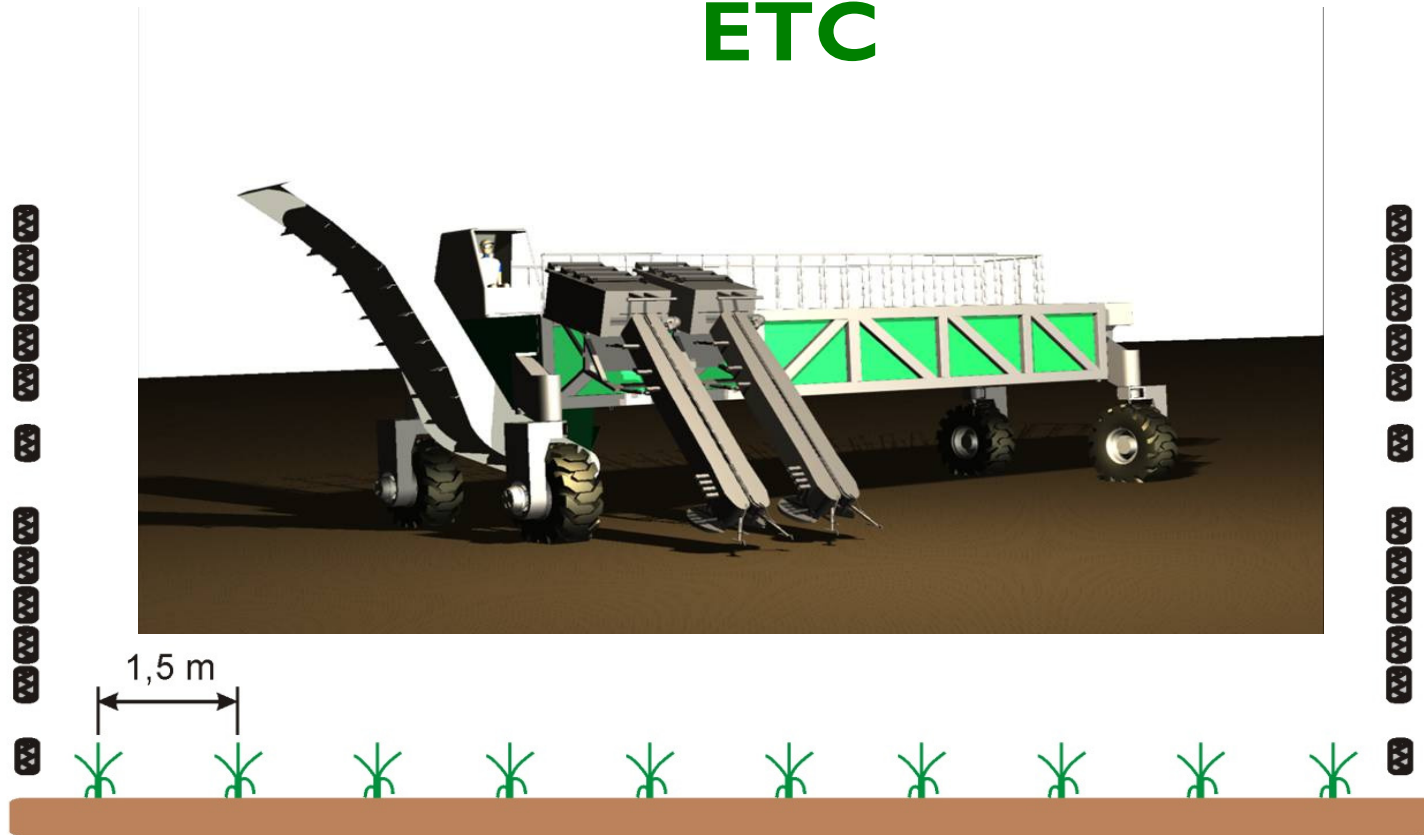
Canada

Australia



No tillage and controlled traffic

ETC



CTBE - Project

Conventional mechanization and with ETC 's cost

Operation	Conventional	ETC	ETC
	(5 cuts)	(5 cuts)	(10 cuts)
Plant-cane [R\$/ ha]			
Subsoiling	88,3	0,0	0,0
Ploughing	79,6	0,0	0,0
harrowing	34,0	0,0	0,0
planting	243,7	214,8	214,8
harvesting	451,0	270,1	270,1
In-field transport	282,6	39,8	39,8
	100%	44%	44%
Ratoon cane			
harvester	1807,6	1.080,5	2.431,2
In-field transport	1.130,3	159,3	358,4
	100%	72%	65%
Total [R\$/ ha]	4117,1	1764,5	3314,3
Total [R\$/ tc]	21,2	15,3	13,8

Final remarks

1. Sugar cane cultivated area will increase considerably in the next 10 years, mainly in pasture land.
2. Large cane expansion requires use of mechanical harvesting
3. Sugar cane will be 100% mechanically green harvested by the year 2020 (areas which are feasible of mechanization).
4. Sugar cane trash will be introduced in the biomass energy chain
5. No-tillage in sugarcane can reduce costs and contribute for soil, water and fertilizer conservation.

Final remarks

6. A new approach for cane harvester is required to make two row harvesters feasible.
7. Green cane harvesting and trash recovery require a mechanization system designed specifically for that purpose; both from the stand point of quality and cost.
8. With the use of PA and information technologies logistics cost for CLT will reduce, reducing the final ethanol cost
9. ETC will be a revolutionary system for large scale sugar cane production, reducing production cost with environmental benefits.



Thank you for your attention

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