



Evaluating aerosols impacts on Numerical Weather Prediction: 4th Report

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Outline

- Brief introduction and description of the proposed case studies and protocols and centers participants
- Some highlighted results
- Quantitative evaluation
- Conclusions



Goals of the Exercise

- This project aims to improve our understanding about the following questions:
- How important are aerosols for predicting the physical system (NWP, seasonal, climate) as distinct from predicting the aerosols themselves?
- How important is atmospheric model quality for air quality forecasting?
- What are the current capabilities of NWP models to simulate aerosol impacts on weather prediction?

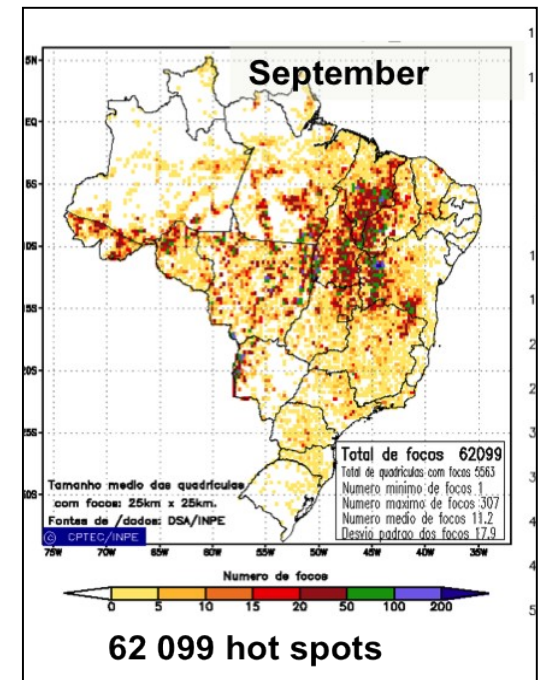
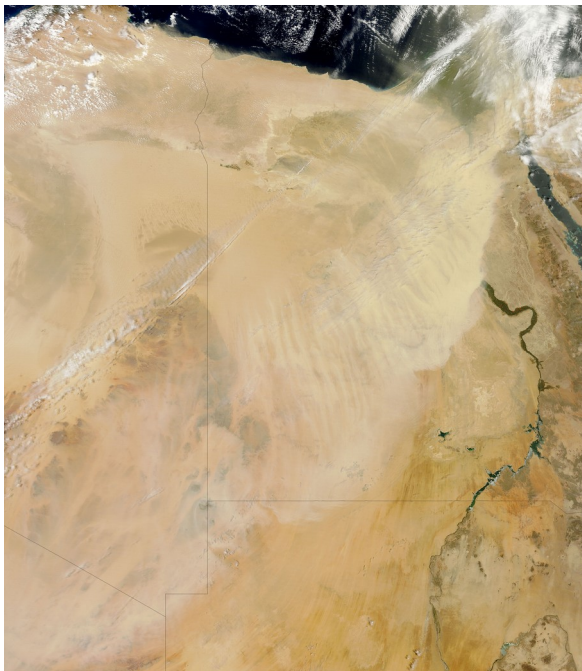


Participants

Participants	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Type of model	Status of the data	People Involved
CPTEC			X	R	aerosol direct effect only	Saulo Freitas, Mauricio Zarzur
JMA	X	X	X	G	ind, dir, ind+dir, no-aer	Taichu Tanaka, Chiasi Muroi
ECMWF	X	X	X	G	(aerosol direct effect only)	Angela Benedetti, Samuel Remy, Jean-Noel Thepaut
Météo-France/Met. Serv. Algeria	X			R	aerosol direct effect only	Morad Mokhtari, Bouyssel Francois
ESRL/NOAA		X	X	R	aerosol direct effect only	Georg Grell
NASA/Goddard	X	X	X	G	(direct effect only)	Arlindo da Silva
NCEP	X			G	(direct effect only)	Sarah Lu, Yu-Tai Hou, Shrinivas Moorthi, and Fanglin Yang
Barcelona Super. Ctr.	X			R	(aerosol direct effect only)	Oriol Jorba Casellas



Case Studies



1) Dust over Egypt: 4/2012

2) Pollution in China: 1/2013

3) Smoke in Brazil: 9/2012



What is new?

- New datasets
 - ECMWF sent a new dataset for the DUST case
 - JMA produced new dataset as they found problems with the first run. Data was sent to CPTEC on end of July 2015 and was re-processed
 - NOAA/ESRL sent a dataset using WRF-Chem model for the SAMBBA case
 - CPTEC/Brazil provided the dataset with BRAMS model for the SAMBBA case
- Performed quantitative model evaluation



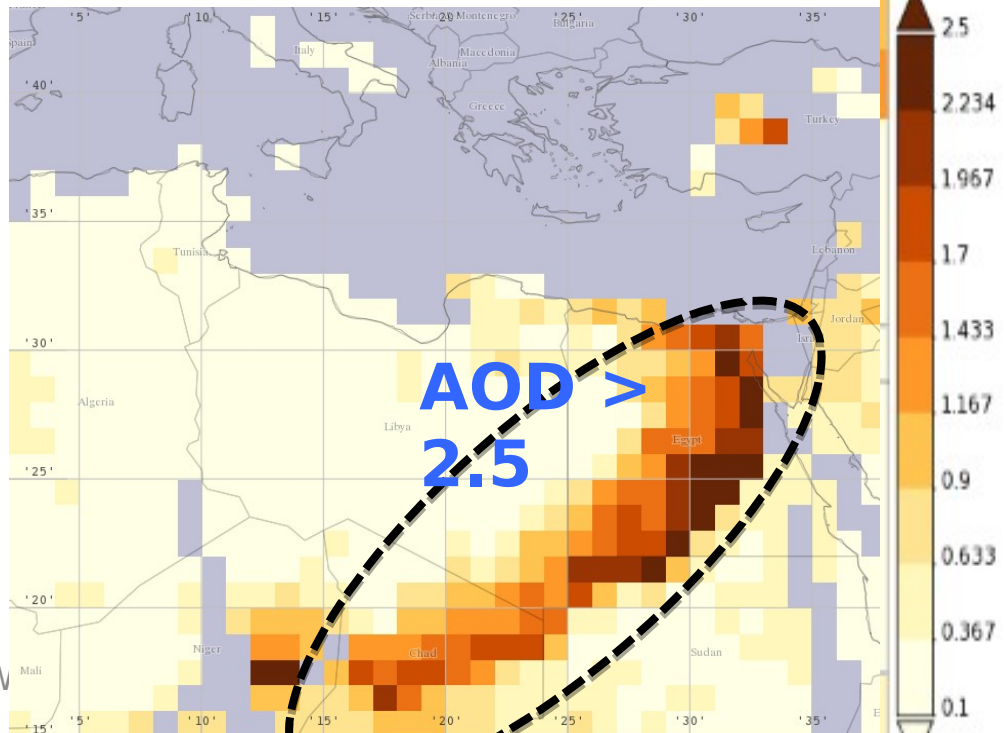
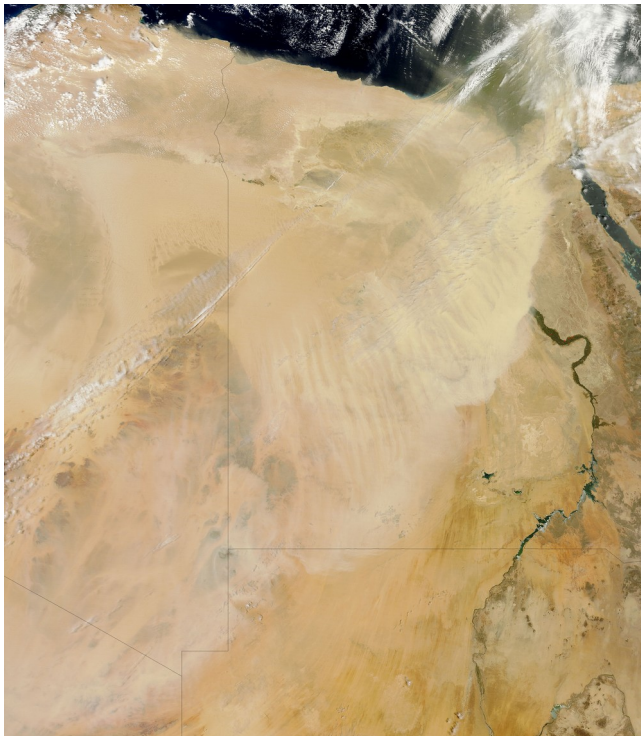
Case 1: Dust Plume over Egypt

With updates from ECMWF and JMA

- Forecasts
 - April 13-23 2012
 - From 0 or 12 UTC
 - 10 day forecasts

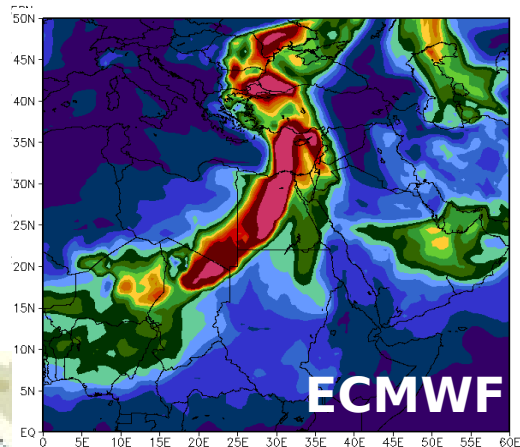
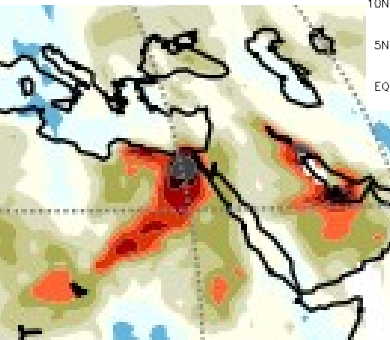
Model configuration: same as for NWP
Direct effects only

MODIS AOD @ 550nm 18 April 2012



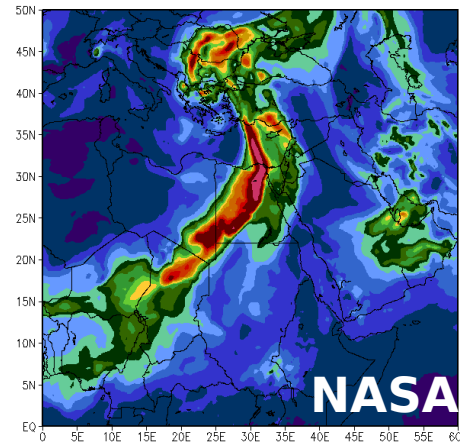
- Selected date range was 2012-04-18 06:00Z - 2012-04-18 06:00Z. Title reflects the date range of the granules that went into making this result.

AOD at 550nm: Forecast 09UTC18apr2012 Init: 00UTC17apr2012



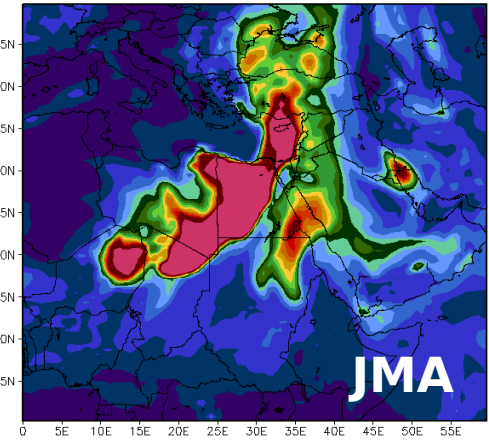
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
NCEP (with interactive aerosols)

Forecast: 09Z18apr2012
Started: 00Z17APR2012



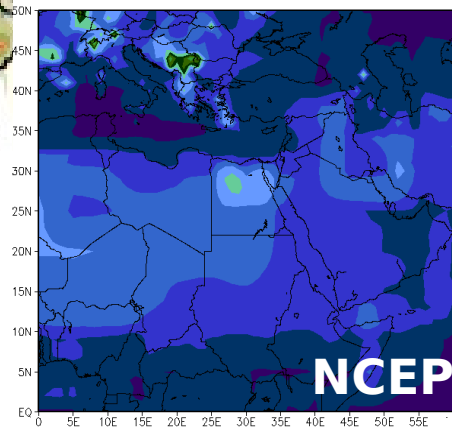
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BSC (with interactive aerosols)

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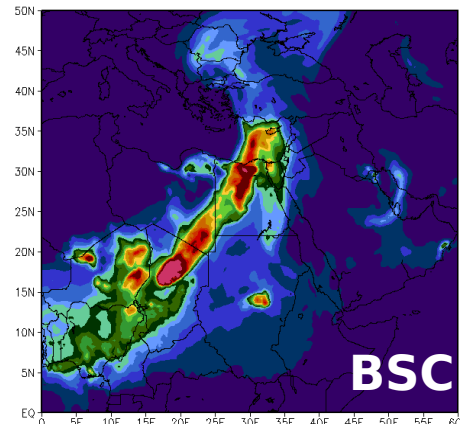


Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
Meteo France (with interactive aerosols)

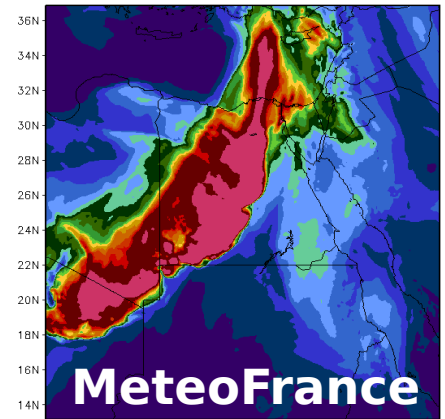
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NCEP



BSC



MeteoFrance



- NCEP : climatology aerosol field does not capture this transient/strong event (as expected).
- The other centers have similar pattern in terms of spatial distribution.
- AOD values : MF > JMA ~ ECMWF > NASA ~ BSC



Impacts on weather forecasting

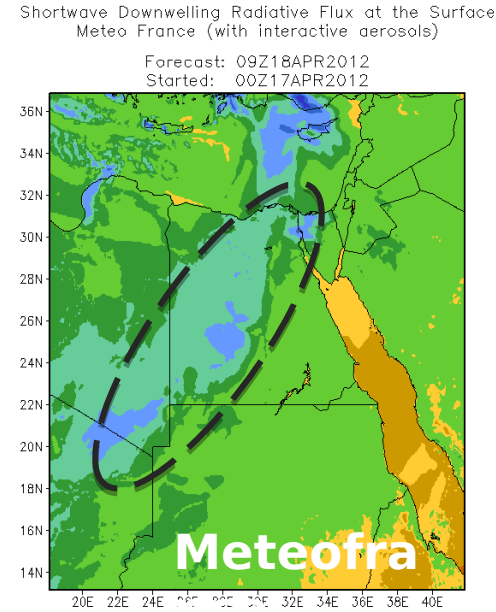
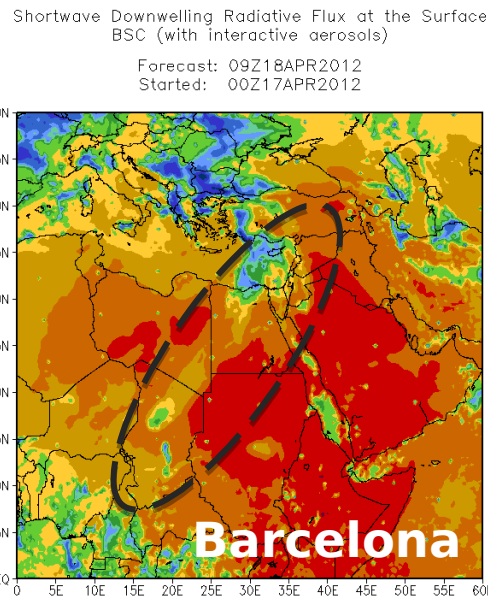
- Radiative shortwave flux at surface
- Air temperature at 2m



With updates from ECMWF and JMA

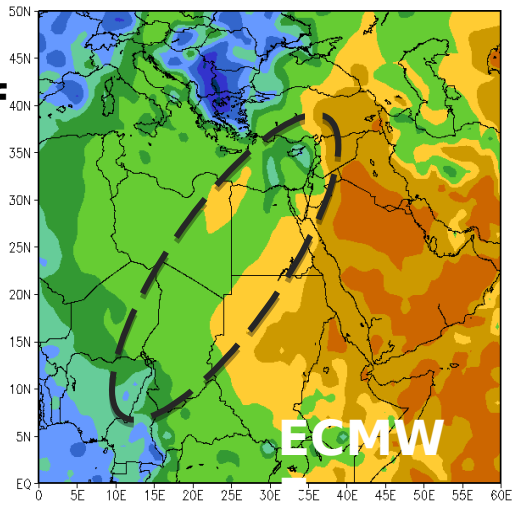
SW Rad @ Sfc Intercomparison

- 9 UTC (morning)
- Large discrepancies among centers



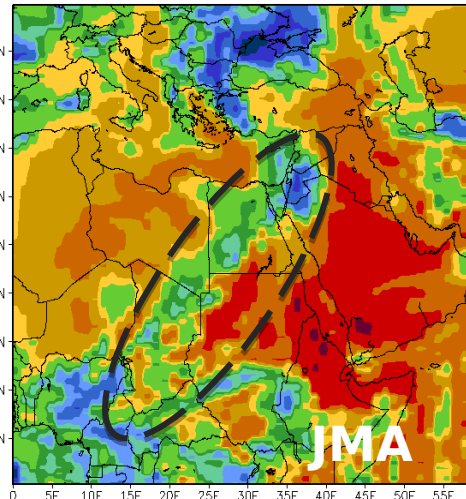
Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
ECMWF (direct effect only)

Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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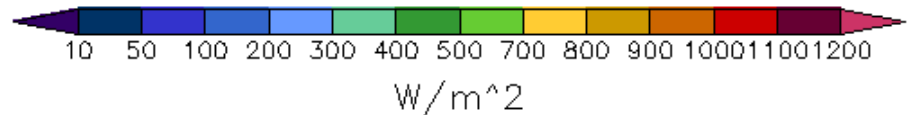
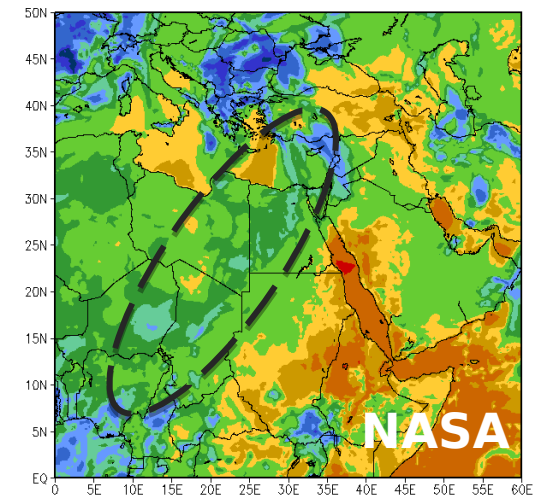
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JMA (with interactive aerosols)

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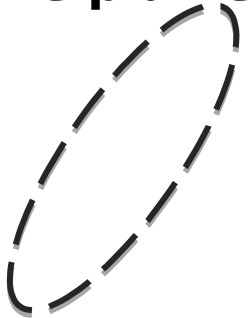


Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
NASA (with interactive aerosols)

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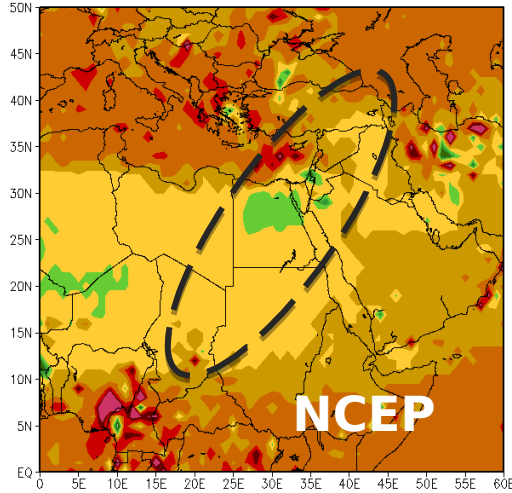
Location of the plume



18APR2012
09 UTC
(morning)

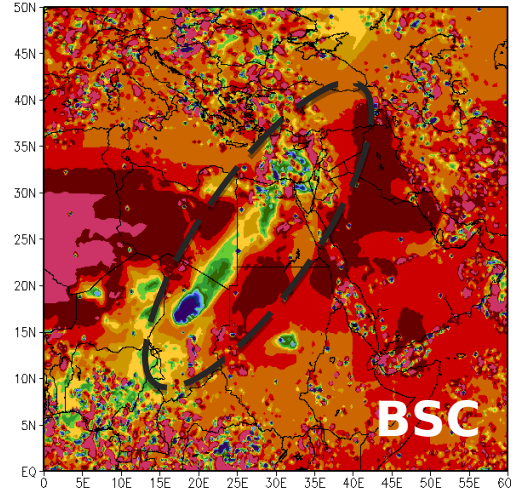
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NCEP (IA - XA)

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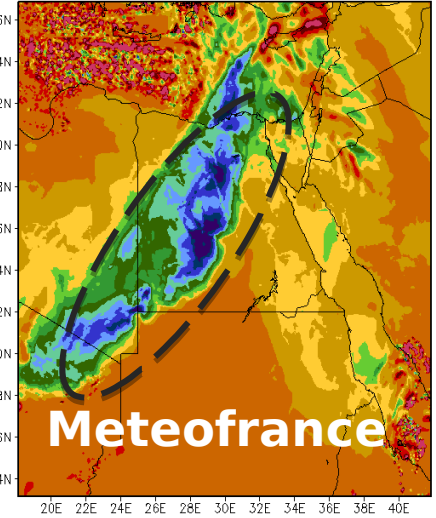
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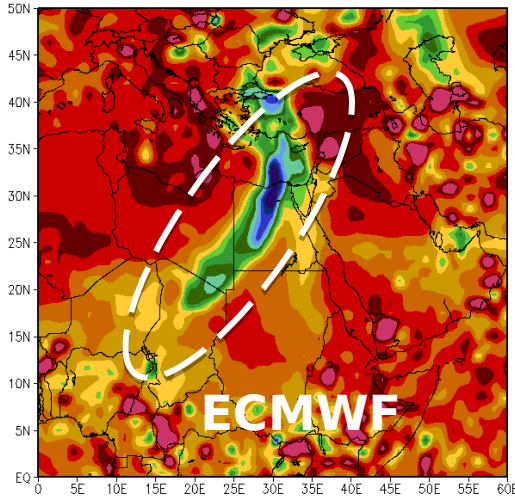
Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
Meteo France (IA - XA)

Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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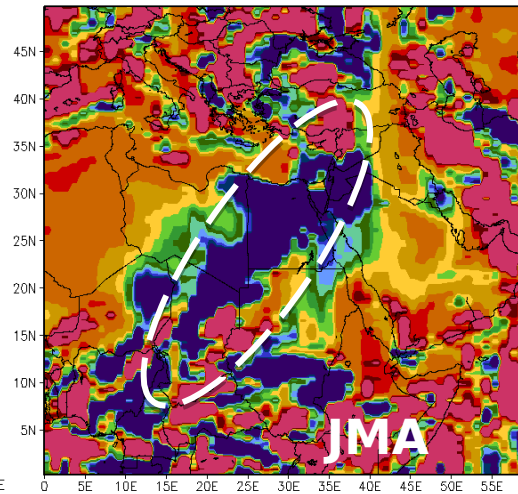
Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
ECMWF (DE - XA)

Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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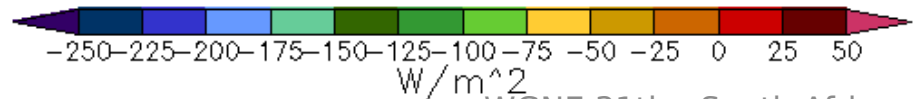
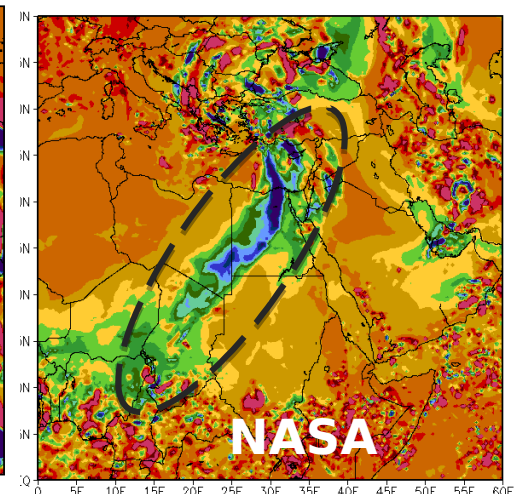
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JMA (IA - XA)

Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
NASA (IA - XA)

Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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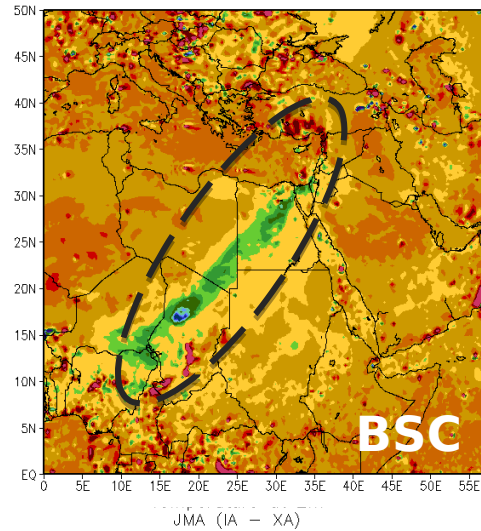
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DIFF of SW Rad @ Sfc
AER-NOAER

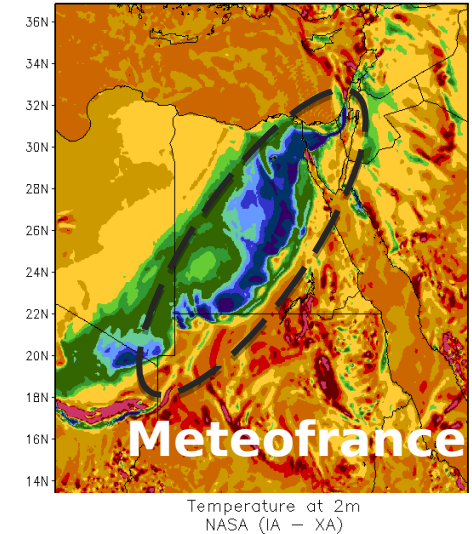
DIFF of Temp @ 2-m AER-NOAER

- 12 UTC (morning)
- Large discrepancies among centers

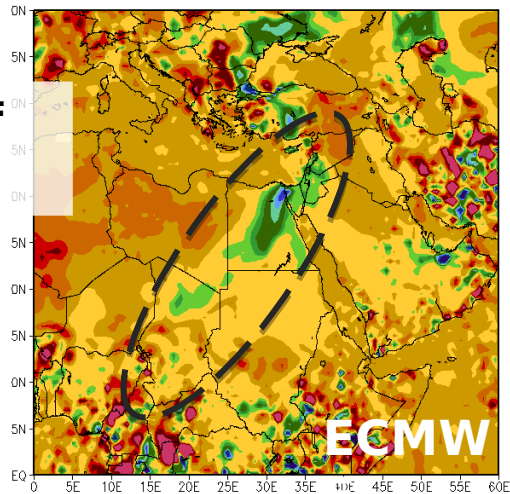
Temperature at 2m
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Forecast: 12Z18APR2012
Started: 00Z17APR2012



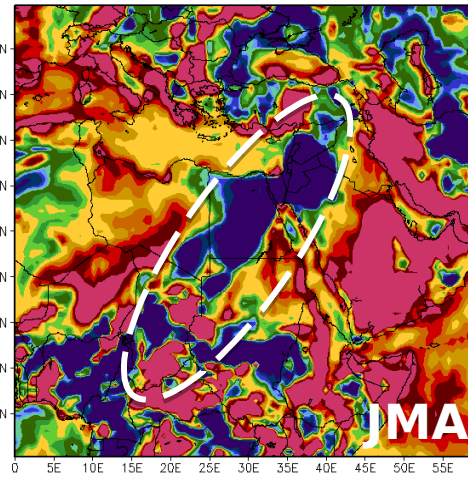
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Forecast: 12Z18APR2012
Started: 00Z17APR2012



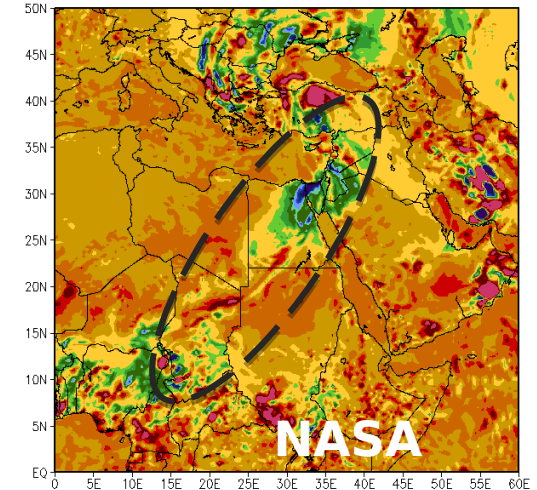
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ECMWF (DE - XA)
Forecast: 12Z18APR2012
Started: 00Z17APR2012



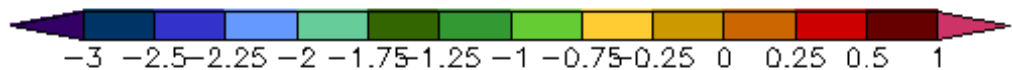
Temperature at 2m
JMA (IA - XA)
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Location of the plume



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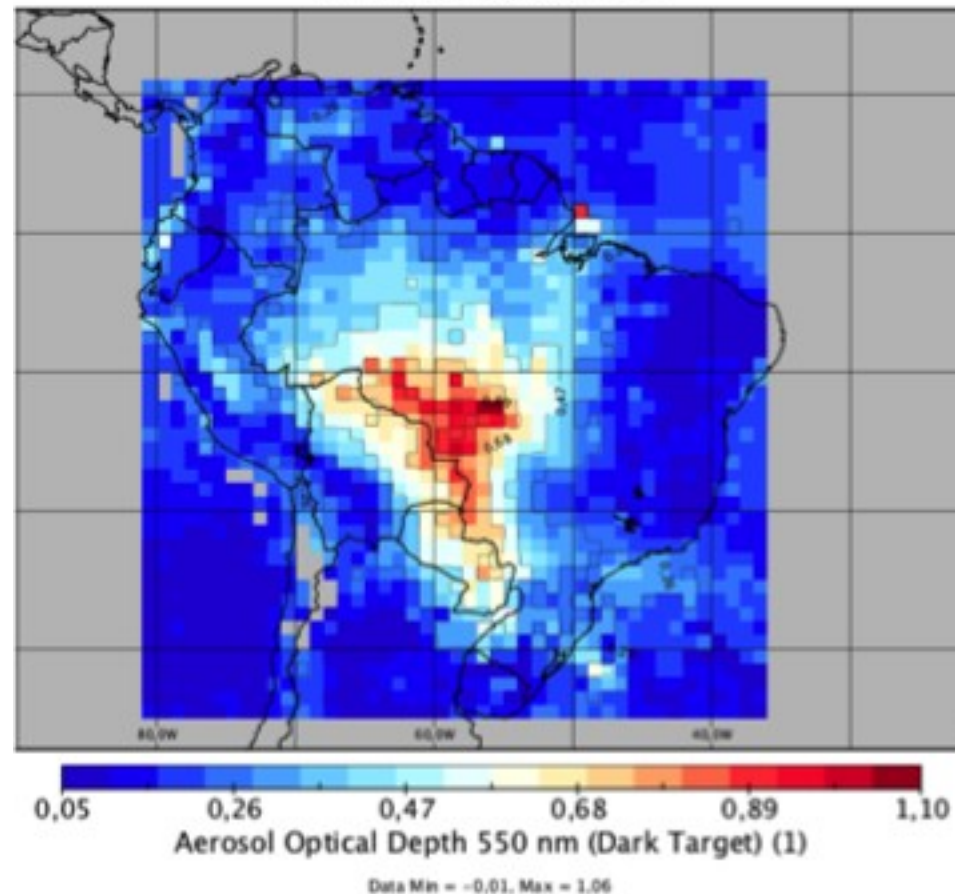


Case 3: Persistent Smoke in Brazil

**With updates from
JMA, NOAA and CPTEC**

- September 2012
- Forecasts
 - September 5-15, 2012
 - From 0 or 12 UTC
 - 10 day forecasts
- Center of domain
 - 116E, 40N
- Model configuration
 - Same as for NWP
- **Direct & Indirect effects**

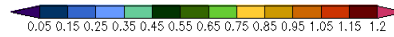
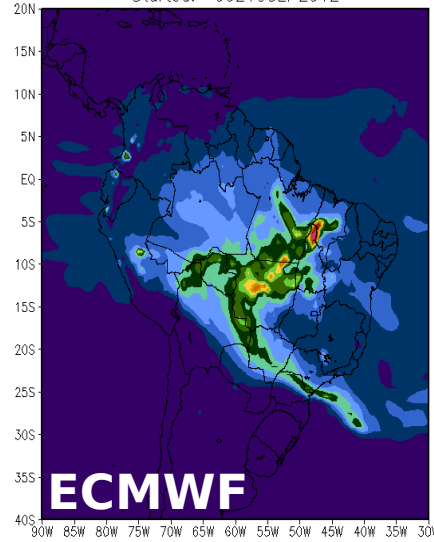
Aerosol Optical Depth 550 nm (MODIS)
Time Average 05-15 SEP 2012



AOD at 550 nm Forecast for 18UTC11SEP Init.: 00UTC10SEP

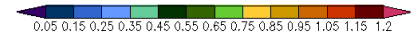
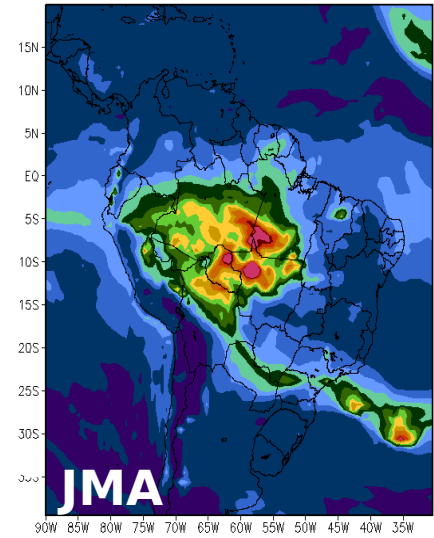
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
ECMWF (direct effect only)

Forecast: 18Z11SEP2012
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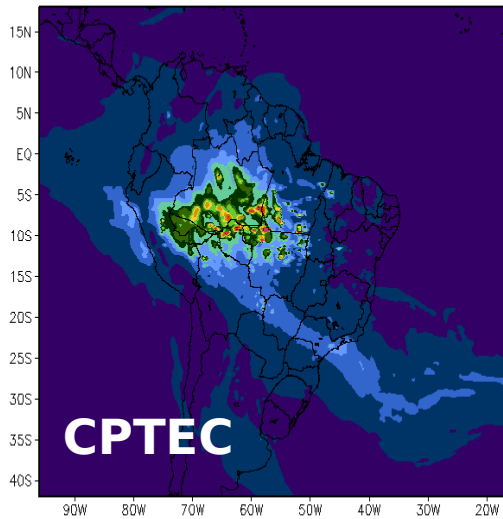
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JMA (with interactive aerosols)

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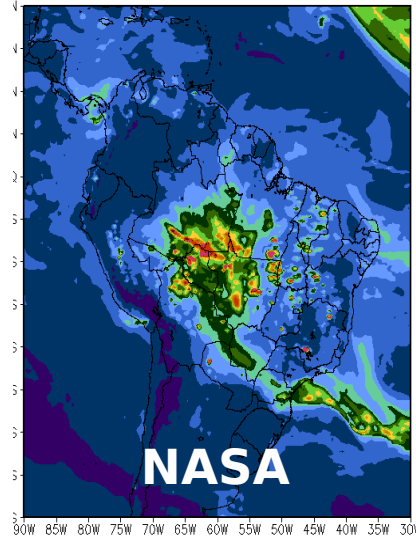
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CPTEC (direct effect only)

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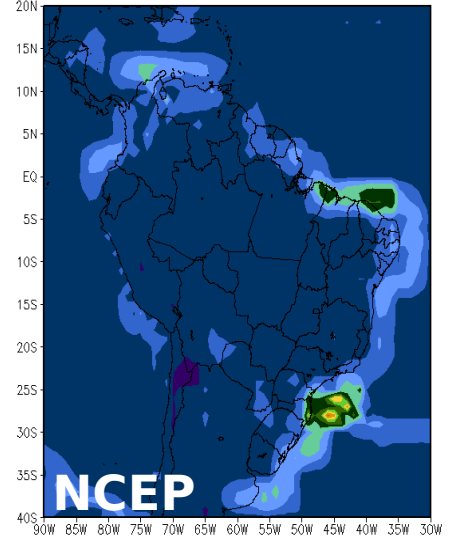
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
NASA (with interactive aerosols)

Forecast: 18Z11SEP2012
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
NCEP (with interactive aerosols)

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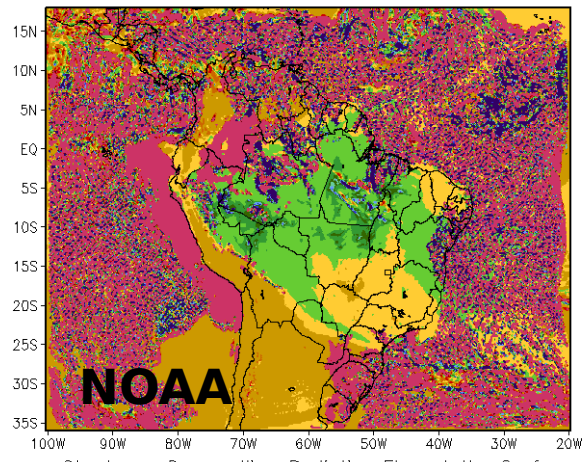


SW down Radiative Flux (AER-NOAER)

Forecast for 15UTC11SEP
Init.:00UTC10SEP

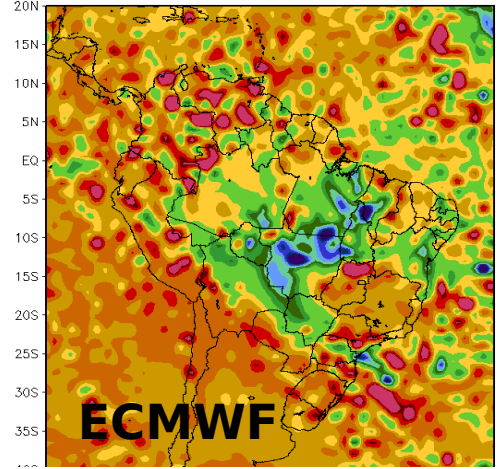
Shortwave Downwelling Radiative Flux at the Surface
NOAA (IA - XA)

Forecast: 15Z11SEP2012
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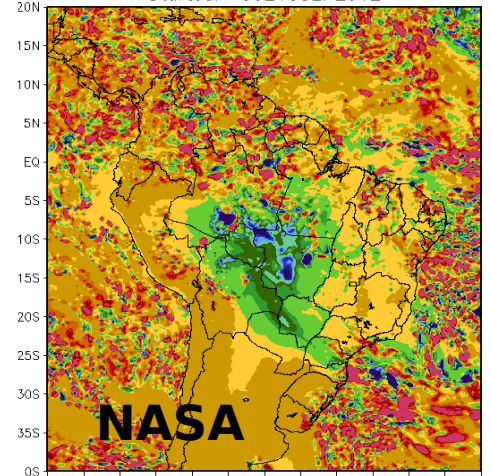
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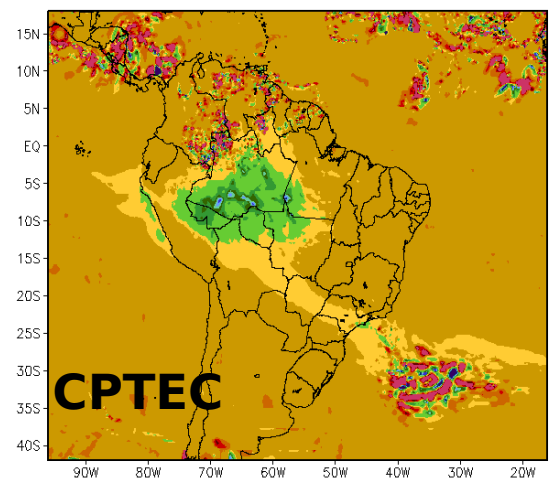
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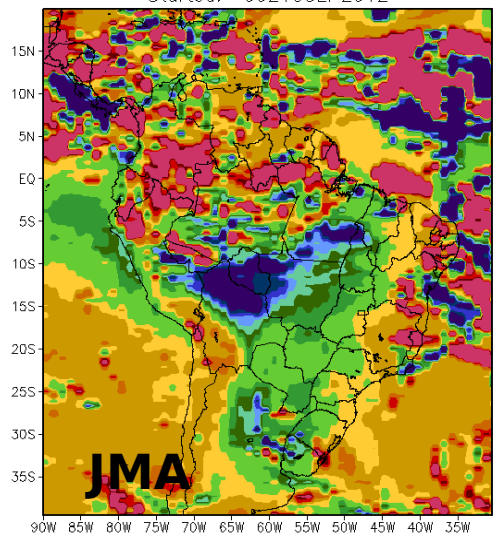
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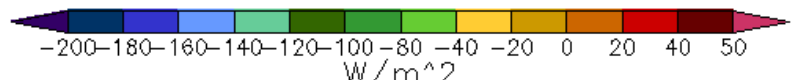
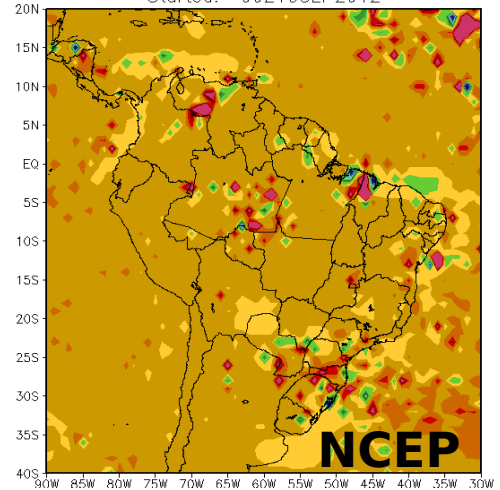
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NCEP (IA - XA)

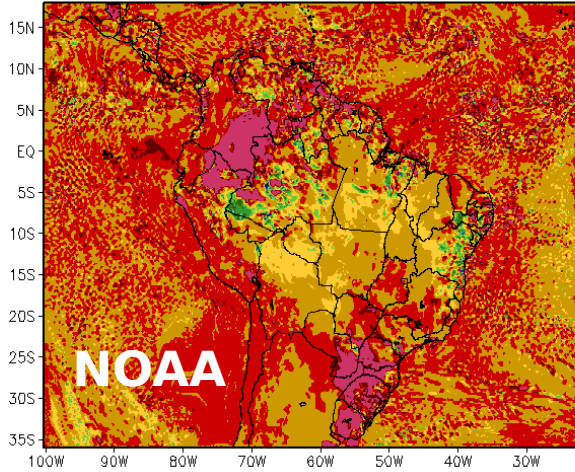
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2-m Temperature Difference (AER-NOAER)

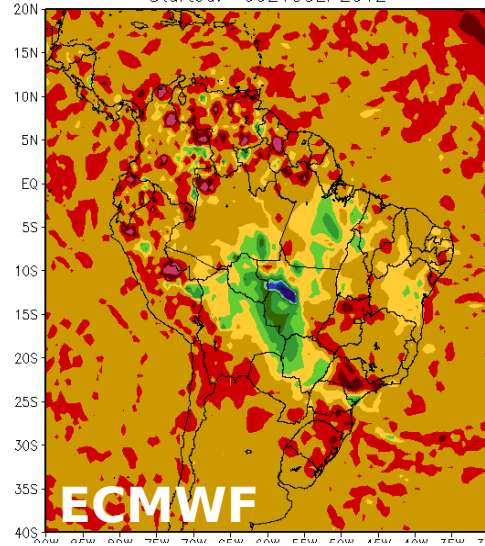
Forecast for 15UTC11SEP
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Temperature at 2m
NOAA (IA - XA)



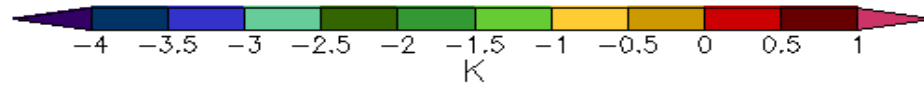
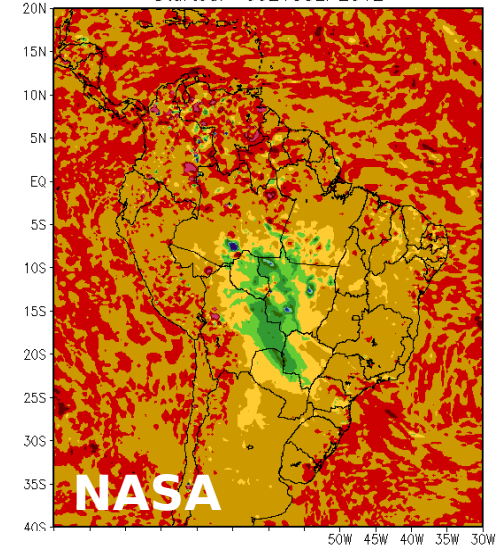
Temperature at 2m
ECMWF (DE - XA)

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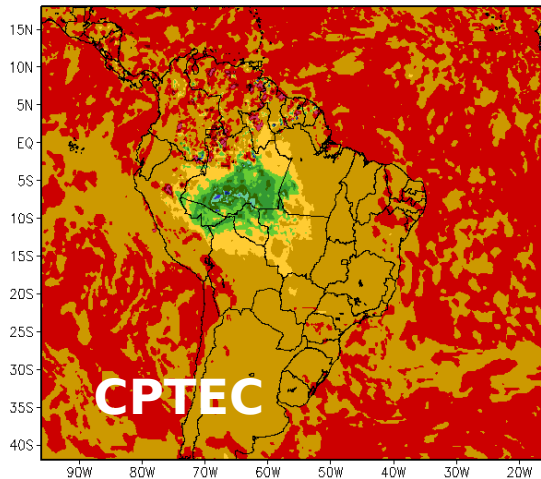


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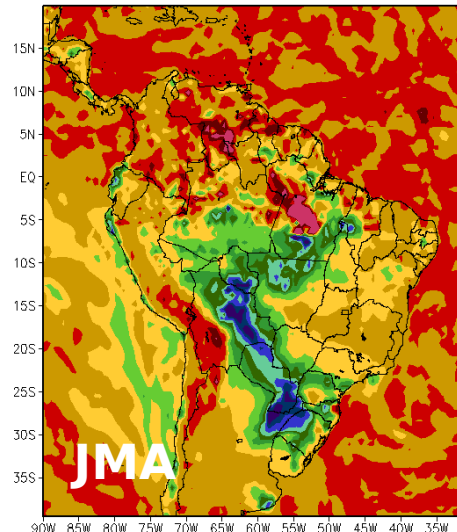
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Temperature at 2m
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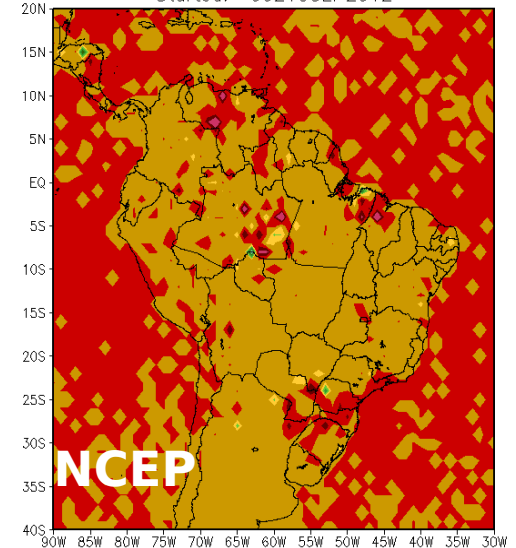


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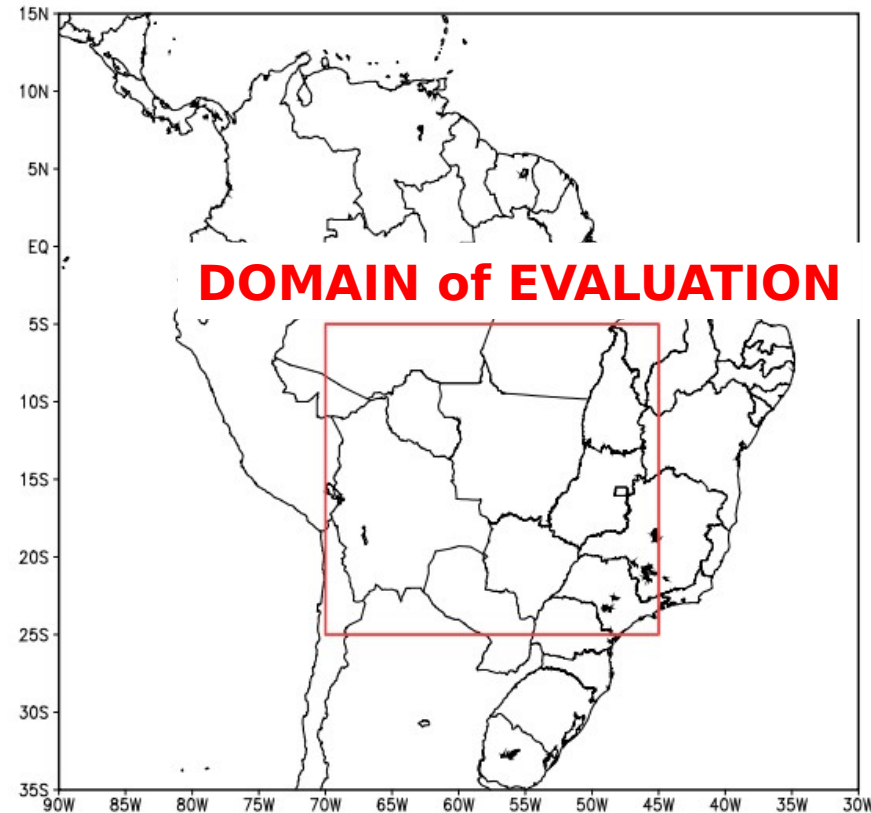
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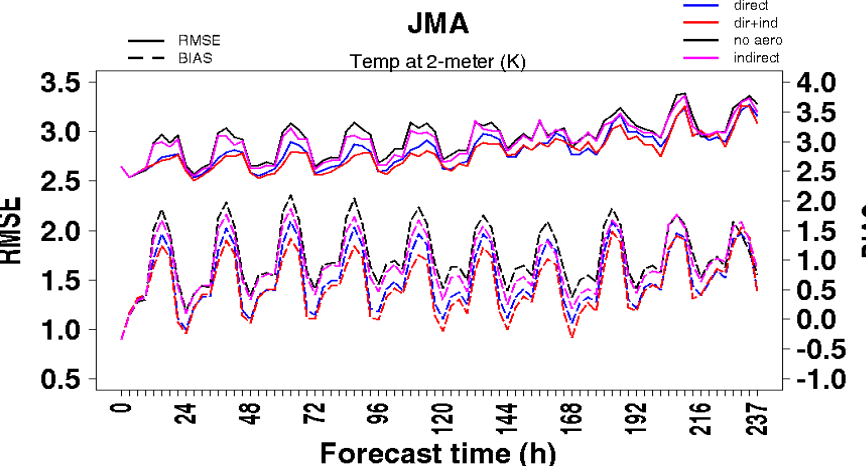
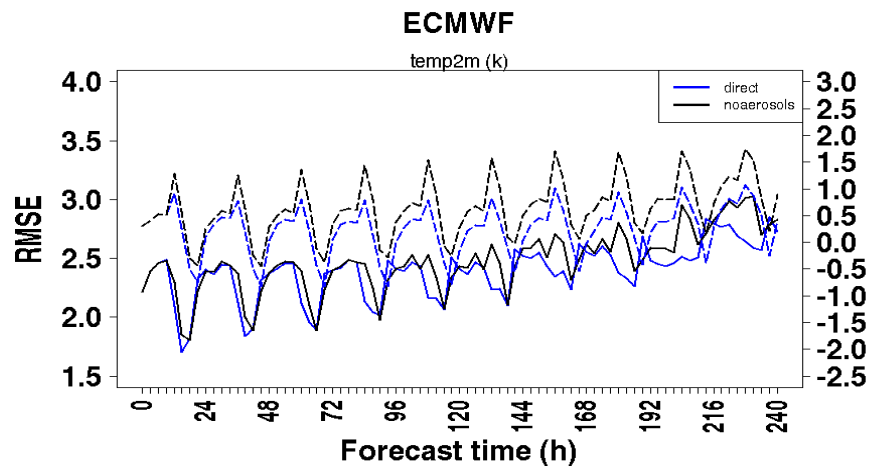
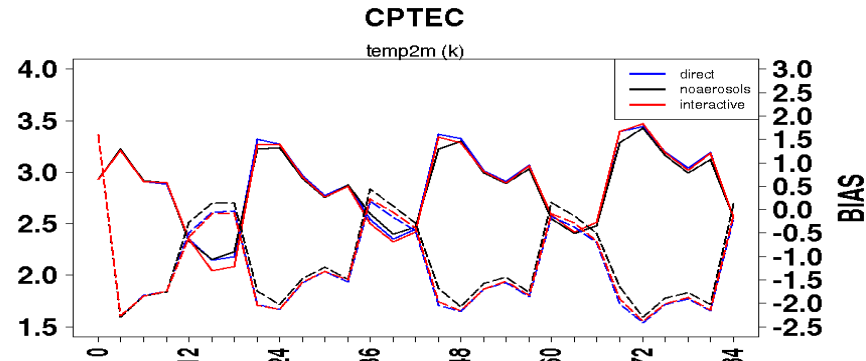
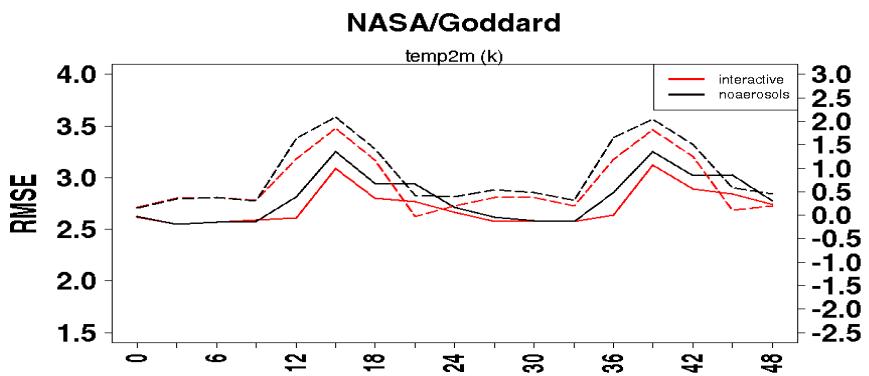
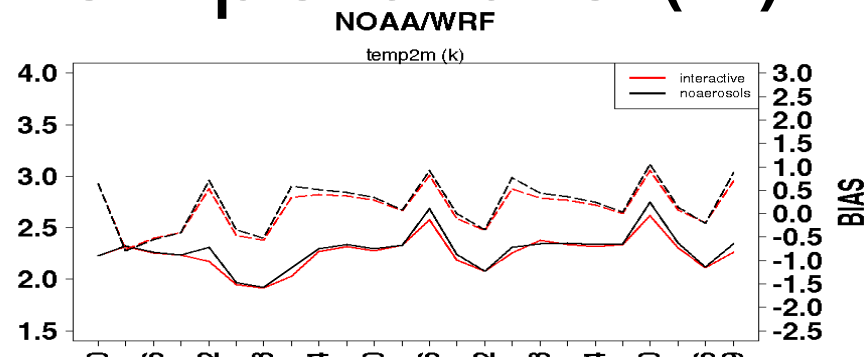
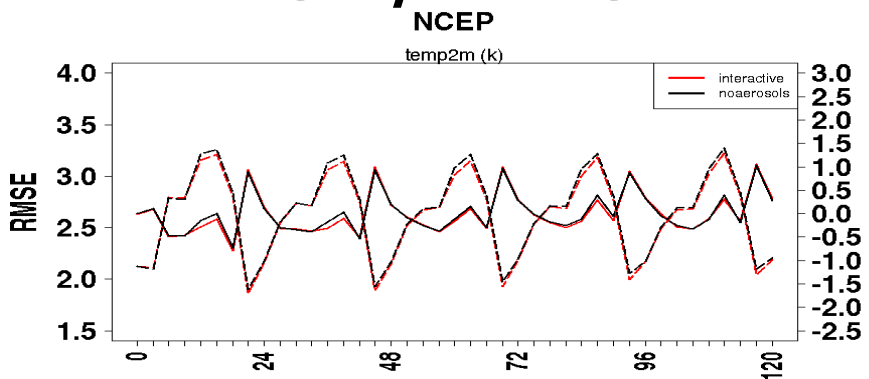


Quantitative evaluation for the SAMBBA case

- Parameters:
 - 2-meter temperature.
 - 10-meter wind (mag and direction)
 - rainfall
- Observational data: meteo surface stations over S. America.
- Evaluated time period: 5 - 14 SEP, up to 240-hour forecast.

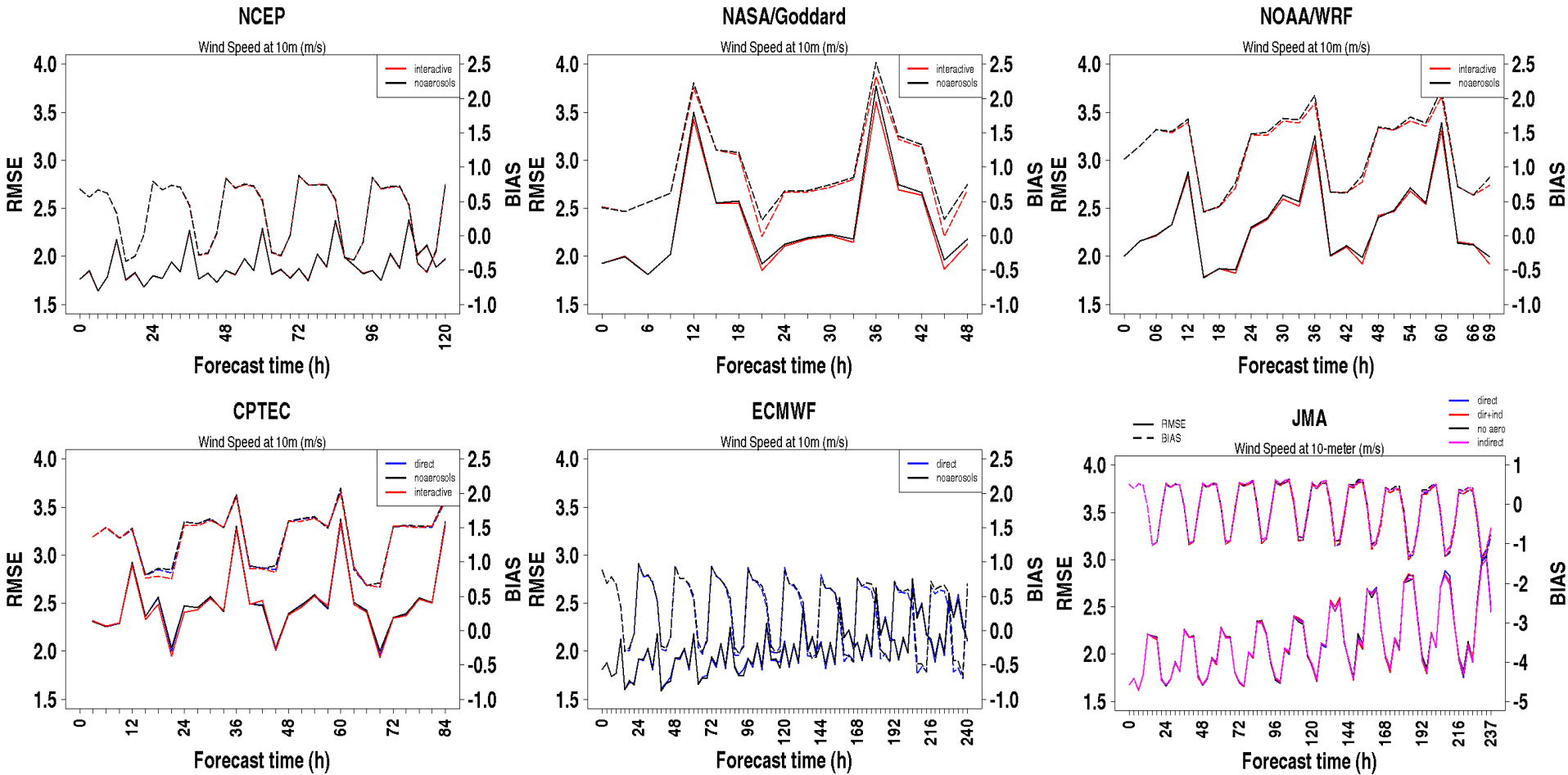


RMSE/BIAS: 2-m Temperature (K)



BIAS: dashed line **RMSE: continuous line**

RMSE/BIAS: 10-m wind magnitude (m/s)



BIAS: dashed line

RMSE: continuous line

General overview of impacts on the prediction skill

Variable	ECMWF		JMA		NASA		NCEP		NOAA		CPTEC	
	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS
Skill score												
2-m temp	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10-m wind speed	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
10-m wind direction	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
rainfall	✓	✓			✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓

✗	Negligible impact
✓	Significant impact
	Skill is degraded
	Skill is improved
	Mixed improvement/degradation



Case 2

Extreme Pollution in Beijing

With updates from JMA

- January 2013
- Forecasts
 - January 7-21 2013
 - From 0 or 12 UTC
 - 10 day forecasts
- Center of domain
 - 116E, 40N
- Model configuration
 - Same as for NWP
- **Direct & Indirect effects**



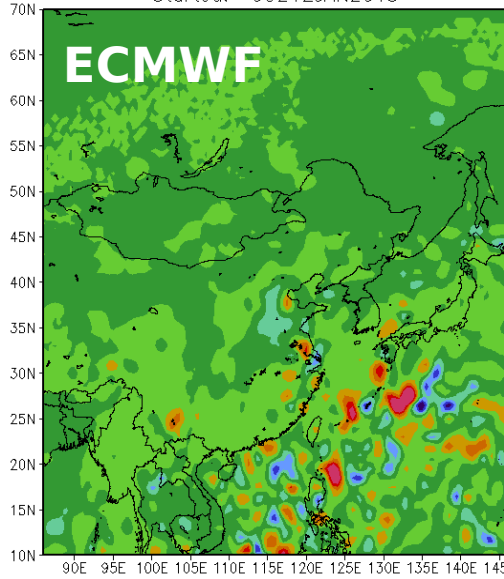
So far, only JMA has submitted Indirect effect experiments

SW Radiation @ Surface Impact (Aero-NoAero 3 UTC 14 Jan 2013

■ 3 UTC (day
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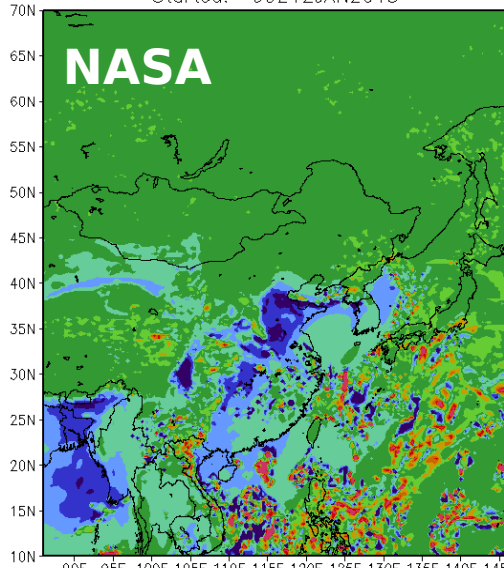
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ECMWF (DE - XA)

Forecast: 03Z14JAN2013
Started: 00Z12JAN2013



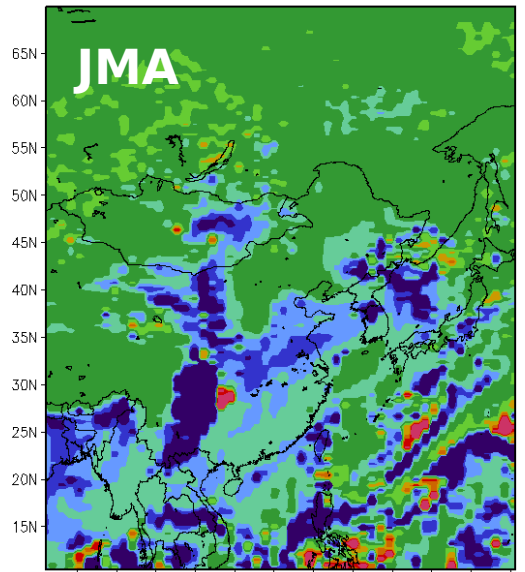
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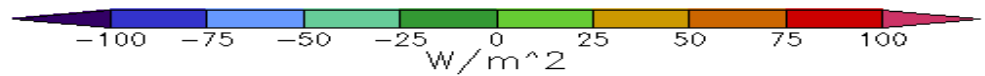
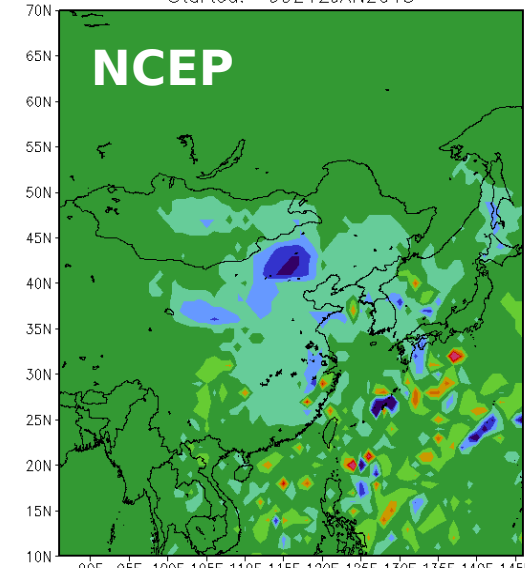
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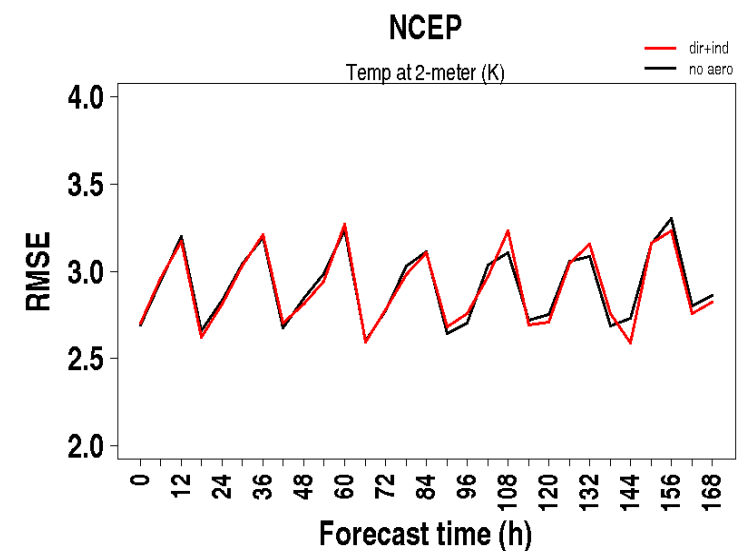
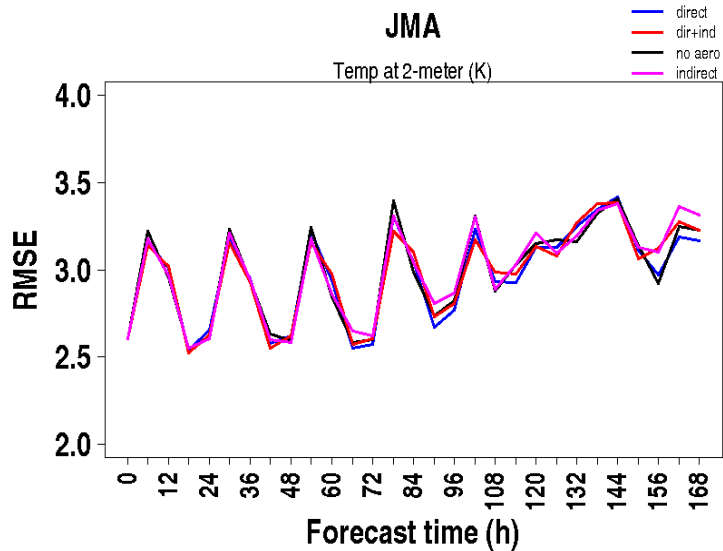
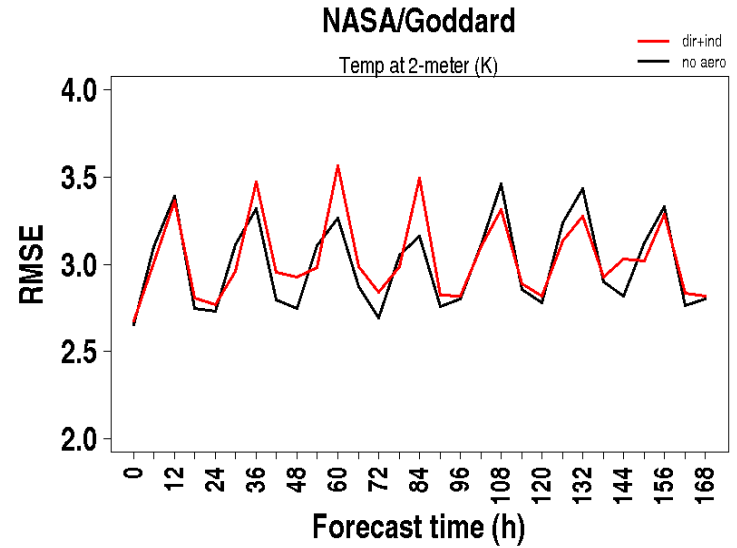
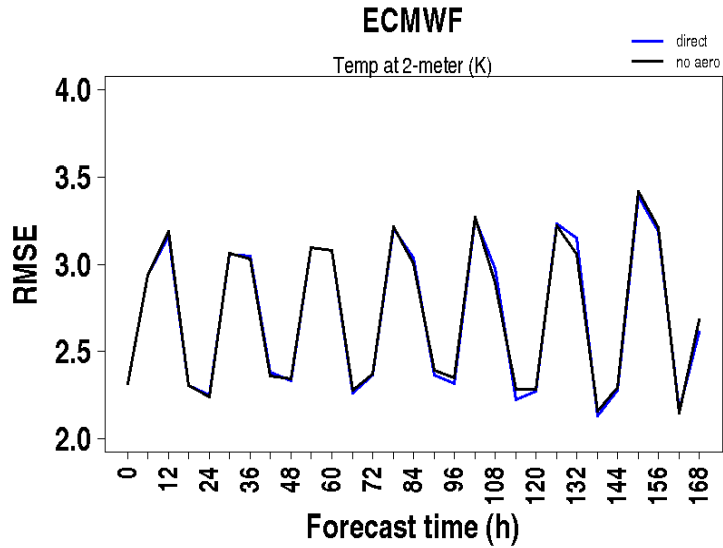
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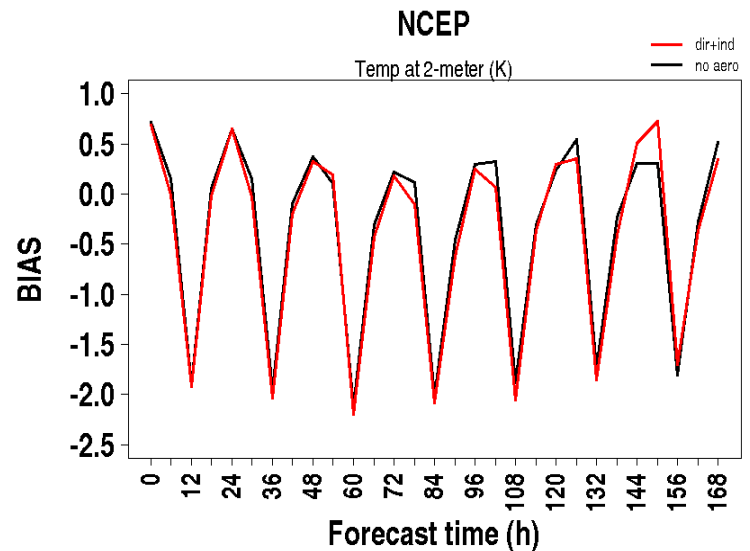
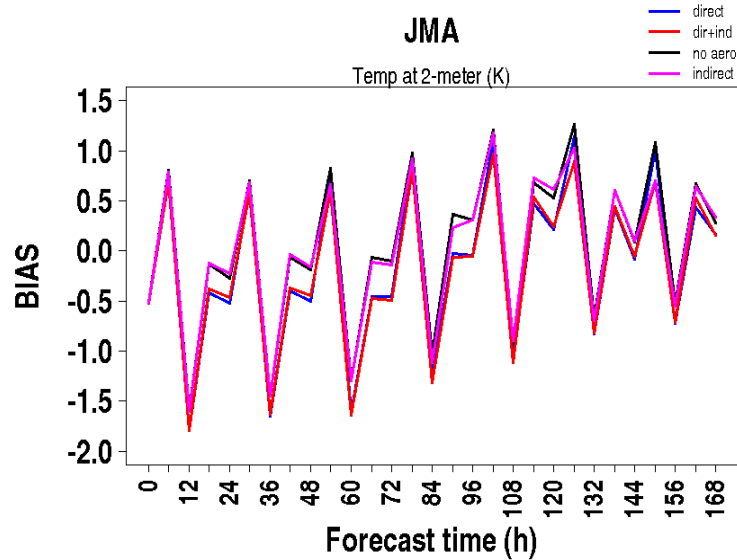
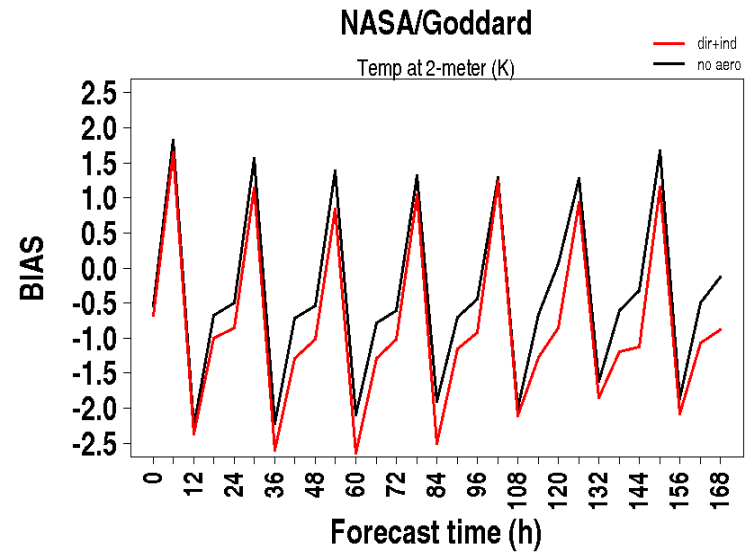
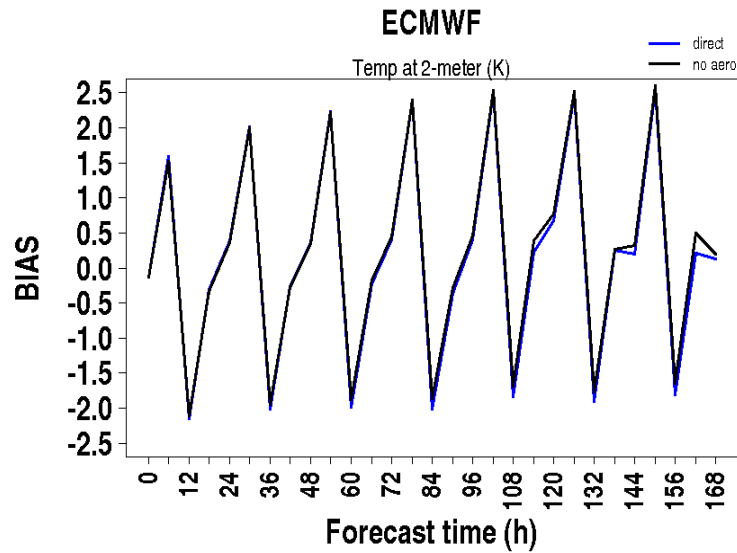
Quantitative evaluation for the Beijing case

- Parameters:
 - 2-meter temperature
 - 10-meter wind (mag and direction)
 - rainfall
- Observational data: meteo surface stations over China
- Evaluated time period: January 7-2, up to 7-day forecast

RMSE: 2-m Temperature (K)



BIAS: 2-m Temperature (K)



General overview of impacts on the prediction skill

Variable	ECMWF		JMA		NASA		NCEP	
	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS	RMSE	BIAS
2-m temp	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10-m wind speed	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
10-m wind direction	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
rainfall	X	X			✓	✓	X	X

X	Negligible impact
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Next Steps

- Finish the quantitative model evaluation
- Produce a report and submit to the centers
- Propose a paper with the most relevant results for ACP/EGU or BAMS

Analyzing the data with GrADS Online

Webpage hosted by CPTEC/Brazil for data analyzing and visualization
<http://meioambiente.cptec.inpe.br/wgne-aerosols/>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL 'aerosols/'. The page features logos for INPE, CPTEC, and GMAI. The main heading is 'WGNE Exercise Evaluating Aerosols Impacts on Numerical Weather Prediction'. Below this is a navigation bar with options: 'Operations', 'Display', 'Difference', 'Time Series', and 'Vertical Profile'. The 'Display' option is selected.

Display Variable

Case Selection

Case: Case 1: Dust
Participant: Japan Meteorological Agency

Variable Selection

Variable: Aerosol Optical Depth (550nm)
Level: 1

Start of Forecast

Date: 2012-04-16
Hour: 00

Time of Forecast

Date: 2012-04-18
Hour: 09

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About the Exercise

PDF icon

For an outline of the proposed work in this WGNE exercise, download the pdf specification file.

Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (with interactive aerosols)
Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (no aerosol interaction)
Forecast: 09Z18APR2012
Started: 00Z16APR2012

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- Thanks for your attention!
- Questions ?

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Next Steps

- Perform data evaluation using
 - Atmospheric observational data from CPTEC/Brazil, CMA/China, ECMWF(?).
 - Retrieved/Analyzed/Observed AOD data from NASA/Goddard provided by A. Silva and from AERONET.
 - TRMM/meteo station rainfall data.
- Produce a report and a paper.
- Propose a second phase (?):
 - Revised runs and datasets (if needed).
 - Constrain initial and boundary conditions using a unified data/procedure by data assimilation.
 - Improves the diagnostic approach of indirect effect (e.g. clear definition of the physical process(es) being represented, more detailed information about the representation of aerosols (e.g. speciation, extinction coefficients, etc.)



Current status of observational data

Case	Surface*	Radiosonde	TRMM	Merge	MODIS/ AERONET AOD
Case 1	**				X
Case 2	CMA	CMA			X
Case 3	CPTEC	CPTEC	CPTEC	CPTEC	X

✓ - data set has already been downloaded

X - data set is available but has yet to be downloaded

- *Pressure, temp, dew-point temp, wind, AOD, PM2.5, 24-h accumulated rainfall
- **Will Contact S. Remy (ECMWF) for sharing the data used on his recent submitted paper (ACP)

Appendix 1

Centers participants and
a general description of their modeling systems

Centers participants and a general description of their modeling systems: Global Scale

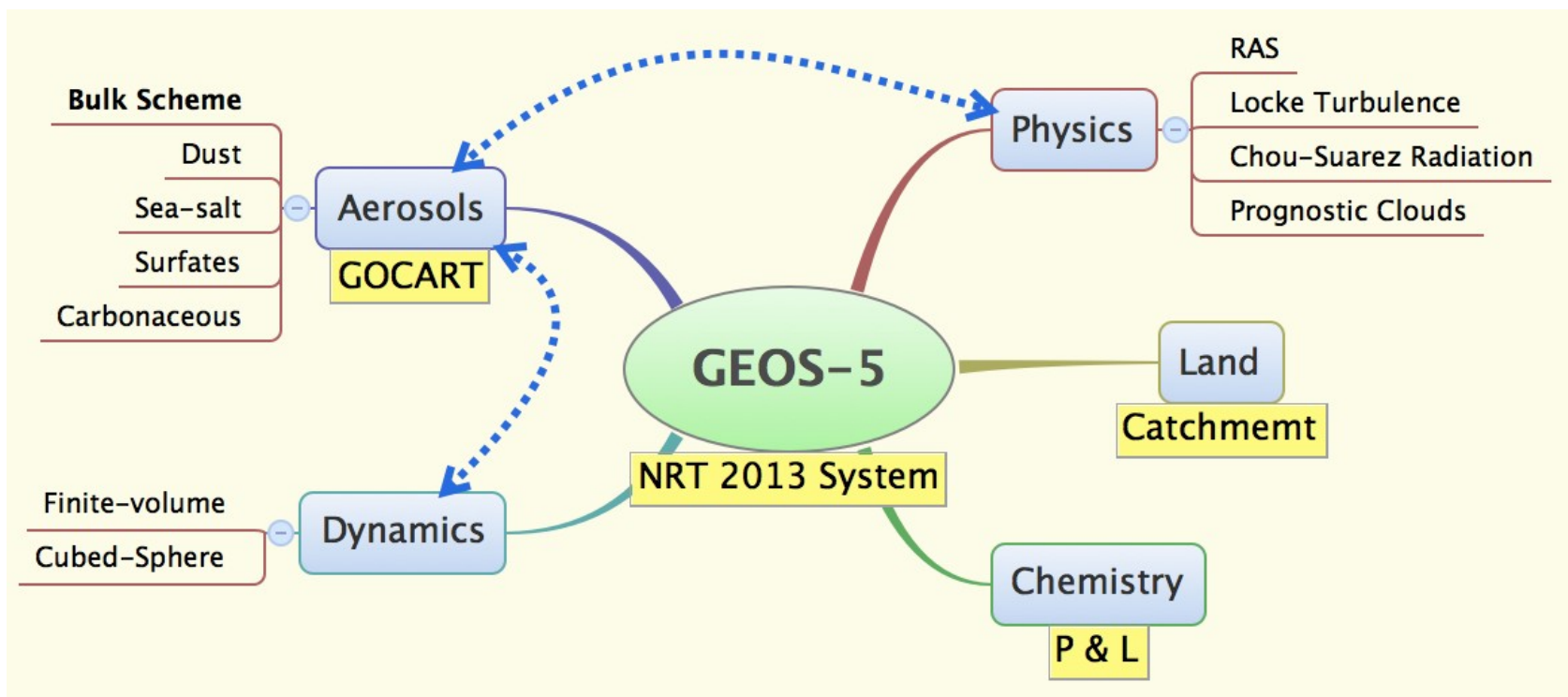
- NASA/Goddard
 - GEOS-5 with GOCART aerosol model.
 - GOCART bulk model for dust, sea-salt, sulfates, carbonaceous
 - Global, 25 km, 72 levels, top at 0.01hPa
- JMA
 - MASINGAR mk-2 aerosol model + MRI-AGCM3 (dynamics)
 - 2-moment bulk cloud model w/ explicit aerosol effects
 - Interactive components: sulfate, BC, organics, sea-salt and dust.
 - Prescribed emissions from MACCity and GFAS 1.0
 - Global TL319L40, top at 0.4 hPa
- NCEP
 - NOAA/NCEP Global Forecast System (GFS)
 - Radiation based on Rapid Radiative Transfer Models (RRTM)
 - A climatological aerosol distribution at 5° resolution (Hess et al., 1998)
 - Only consider direct radiative effect.
 - Global model T574L64, top at 0.32 hPa.

Centers participants and a general description of their modeling systems: Limited Area Models

- **Meteo-France and Met. Service of Algeria**
 - ALADIN LAM coupled with Dust Entrainment and Deposition (DEAD) model.
 - Dust transport and optical properties are calculated using the three-moment Organic Inorganic Log-normal Aerosol Model (ORILAM) (Tulet et al. 2005)
 - Radiation RRTM for LW and FMR for SW.
 - Only direct effect.
 - Resolution 7.5 x 7.5 km and 70 levels
 - IC/BC from ARPEGE global model.
 - Case 1 only.
- **CPTEC/Brazil**
 - BRAMS LAM coupled with the CCATT aerosol-chemistry model.
 - Focus on biomass burning aerosol (Case 3)
 - Brazilian biomass burning emission model coupled with an interactive plumerise model
 - Direct effect using CARMA radiation parameterization
 - Indirect effect included at 2-moment bulk cloud scheme (under development)
 - Indirect effect included at cumulus convection scheme

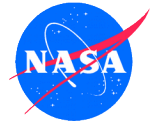


2013 NRT GEOS-5 Configuration



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Global, 25 km, 72 levels top at 0.01 hPa
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QFED: Quick Fire Emission Dataset

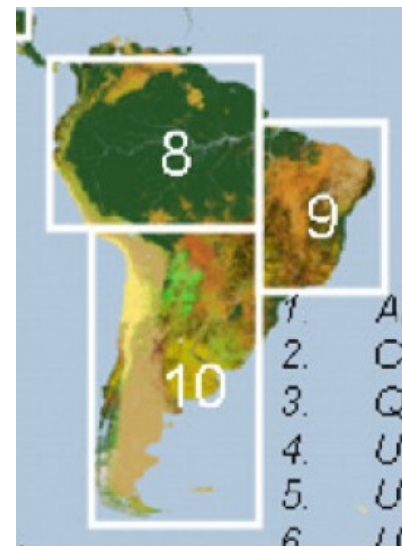
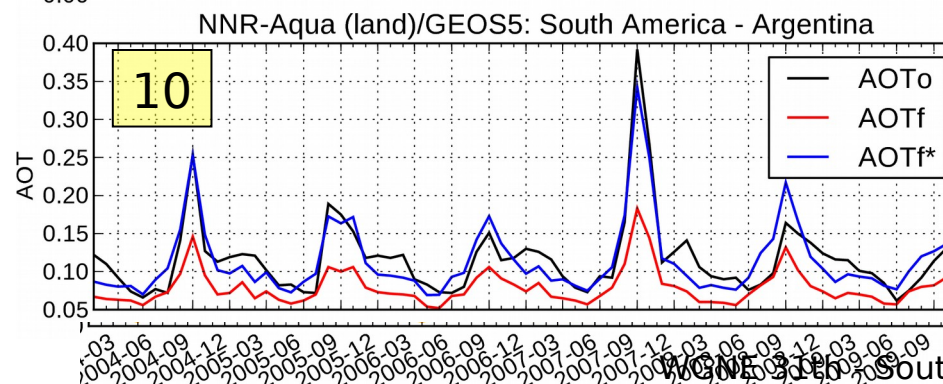
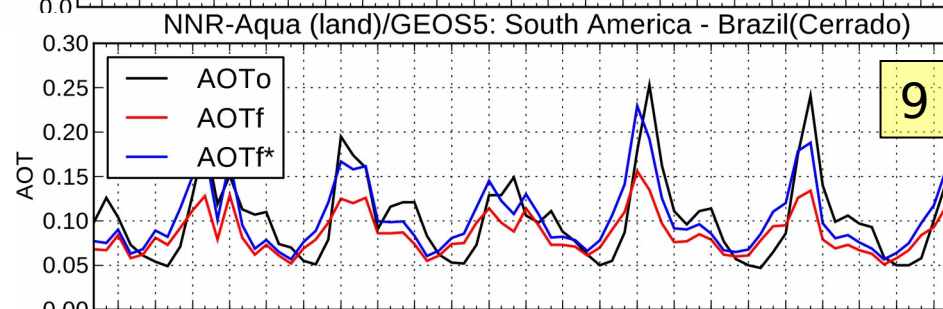
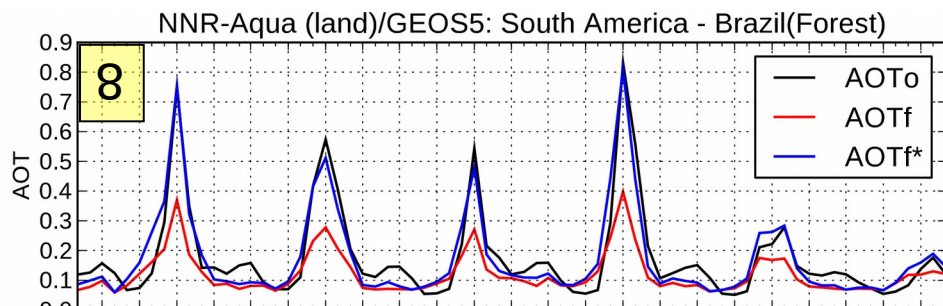


- ❑ Top-down algorithm based on MODIS Fire Radiative Power (AQUA/TERRA)
- ❑ FRP Emission factors tuned by means of inverse calculation based on MODIS AOD data.
- ❑ Daily mean emissions, NRT (thanks to LANCE)
- ❑ Prescribed diurnal cycle



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JCSDA: inclusion of geostationary information
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QFED Calibrated by MODIS AOD



GEOS-5 Aerosol Optical Depth

- QFED (GFED Calibrated)
- QFED (MODIS Calibrated)
- MODIS Retrievals

NCEP's contributions to the WGNE aerosol-NWP experiment

- NOAA/NCEP Global Forecast System (GFS):
 - The cornerstone of NCEP's operational production suite, providing deterministic and probabilistic guidance out to 16 days over a global domain, four times daily at 00, 06, 12, and 18 UTC
 - Global spectral model with a comprehensive physics suite (<http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/GFS/doc.php>)
- GFS Configuration (current operation planned FY14 upgrade)
 - Eulerian dynamics Semi-Lagrangian dynamics
 - T574 Eulerian (~ 27 km) out to 8 days; T190 Eulerian (~ 70 km) from 8 to 16 days T1534 SLG (~ 13 km) out to 10 days; T574 SLG (~ 35 km) from 10 to 16 days
 - 64 vertical levels up to 0.32 mb
- GFS physics relevant to this WGNE experiment
 - **Radiation parameterizations are based on Rapid Radiative Transfer Models (RRTMG_LW v2.3 and RRTMG_SW v2.3) with NCEP's modification and optimization**
 - **A climatological aerosol distribution at 5° resolution (Hess et al., 1998) is used.**
 - Cloud microphysics is based on Zhao and Carr (1997)
 - **Only consider direct radiative effect**

Contributions to the WGNE aerosol-NWP experiment

- GFS experiment setup:
 - Use the latest GFS source code (targeted for the FY14 upgrade)
 - Same configuration as the operational GFS (e.g., T574 L64, Eulerian dynamics) except for output/zero-out frequency
 - Output every 3 hour, with the same 3-hourly interval for time averaging and accumulation
 - Initialized from 00Z analysis from Global Data Assimilation System (GDAS)
- Experiments conducted at NOAA R&D supercomputer (Zeus)
 - CTRL: with radiation feedback using climatological aerosols
 - EXPT: without radiation feedback
- Three cases are completed:
 - Dust: 10-day forecast for the 2012-04-13 to 2012-04-23 period
 - Pollution: 10-day forecast for the 2013-01-07 to 2013-01-21 period
 - Smoke: 5-day forecast for the 2012-09-05 to 2012-09-15 period
- GFS output (in GRIB1 format) are mapped from Gaussian grids to 1x1 deg

JMA/MRI: Model description

- Model: MRI/JMA Global model MRI-AGCM3 (dynamics) + MASINGAR mk-2 (aerosol)
 - Grid resolution: TL319L40 (horizontal: 640x320, Vertical η -coordinate from the ground to 0.4 hPa)
 - Dynamics framework: conservative semi-Lagrange method.
 - Tiedtke-like cloud convection scheme
 - 2-moment bulk cloud scheme that explicitly represents aerosol effects on liquid and ice clouds
 - Optical properties of aerosols: OPAC (Hess

JMA/MRI: Model configurations

- Anthropogenic emissions: MACCity emissions
- Biomass burning emissions: GFAS v1.0 (Kaiser *et al.*, 2012)
- Analysis:
 - Horizontal wind components are nudged toward the JMA global analysis fields.
 - SST: COBE-SST (Ishii *et al.*, 2005)

Submitted outputs are cropped to the region of the interest.

Case 1: 0 – 60 E, 0 – 50 N

Case 2: 86 – 146 E, 10 – 70 N

Meteo-France and Meteo-Service of Algeria

ALADIN: Aire Limitée, Adaptation dynamique, Développement InterNational
(Limited Area, dynamical Adaptation, InterNational Development)

- ❑ Primitive equations model using a two-time-level semi-Lagrangian semi-implicit time integration scheme and a digital filter initialisation (Bubnová et al. 1995; Radnóti 1995)
- ❑ Lambert conformal projection with a bi-Fourier spectral representation and elliptical truncation.
- ❑ Coupled with ARPEGE global model every 3 hours

Physics:

- ❑ Prognostic TKE turbulence « CBR » (Cuxart, Bougeault, Redelsperger, 2000)
- ❑ Non local mixing length « BL89 » (Bougeault and Lacarrere, 1989)
- ❑ Mass flux shallow convection based on CAPE closure (Bechtold et al., 2001)
- ❑ Mass flux deep convection based on moisture convergence closure (Bougeault, 1985)
- ❑ RRTM (Rapid Radiative Transfer Model) scheme for long wave radiation (Mlawer et al. 1997)
- ❑ FMR (Fouquart-Morcrette Radiation) scheme for shortwave radiation with the 6 spectral bands (Fouquart et al. 1980, Morcrette 1991)
- ❑ Lopez microphysics with four prognostic hydrometeors (auto-conversion, collection, evaporation, sublimation, melting, freezing and sedimentation) (Lopez, 2002)
- ❑ Surface processes are calculated by the externalized surface scheme SURFEX (Masson et al., 2013) which includes the Interaction Soil Biosphere Atmosphere (ISBA) scheme (Noilhan and Planton 1989, Noilhan and Mahfouf 1996)

Meteo-France and Meteo-Service of Algeria

Dust emission and transport model

- ❑ Dust fluxes are calculated using the Dust Entrainment And Deposition (DEAD) model (Zender et al. 2003a) coupled to SURFEX scheme by Grini et al. (2006) and recently improved by Mokhtari et al. (2012).
- ❑ Saltation flux is calculated following the Marticorena and Bergametti (1995) scheme
- ❑ Vertical flux is done using the Shao (1996) relationship
- ❑ Erodible soil fraction is represented by the covers COVER004 and COVER005 derived from the global 1 km ECOCLIMAP database relating to bare and rock soil, respectively (Masson et al. 2003)
- ❑ Mass fractions of clay, sand and silt are provided from the global 10 km FAO soil database (Masson et al. 2003)
- ❑ Soil texture is classified following the USDA (1999) (United States Department of Agriculture) textural classification with 12 basic textural definitions
- ❑ Dust transport and optical properties are calculated using the three-moment Organic Inorganic Log-normal Aerosol Model (ORILAM) (Tulet et al. 2005)

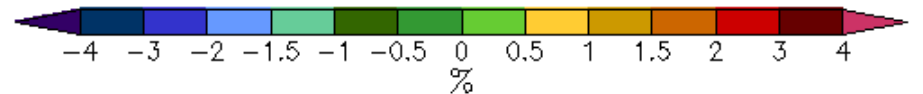
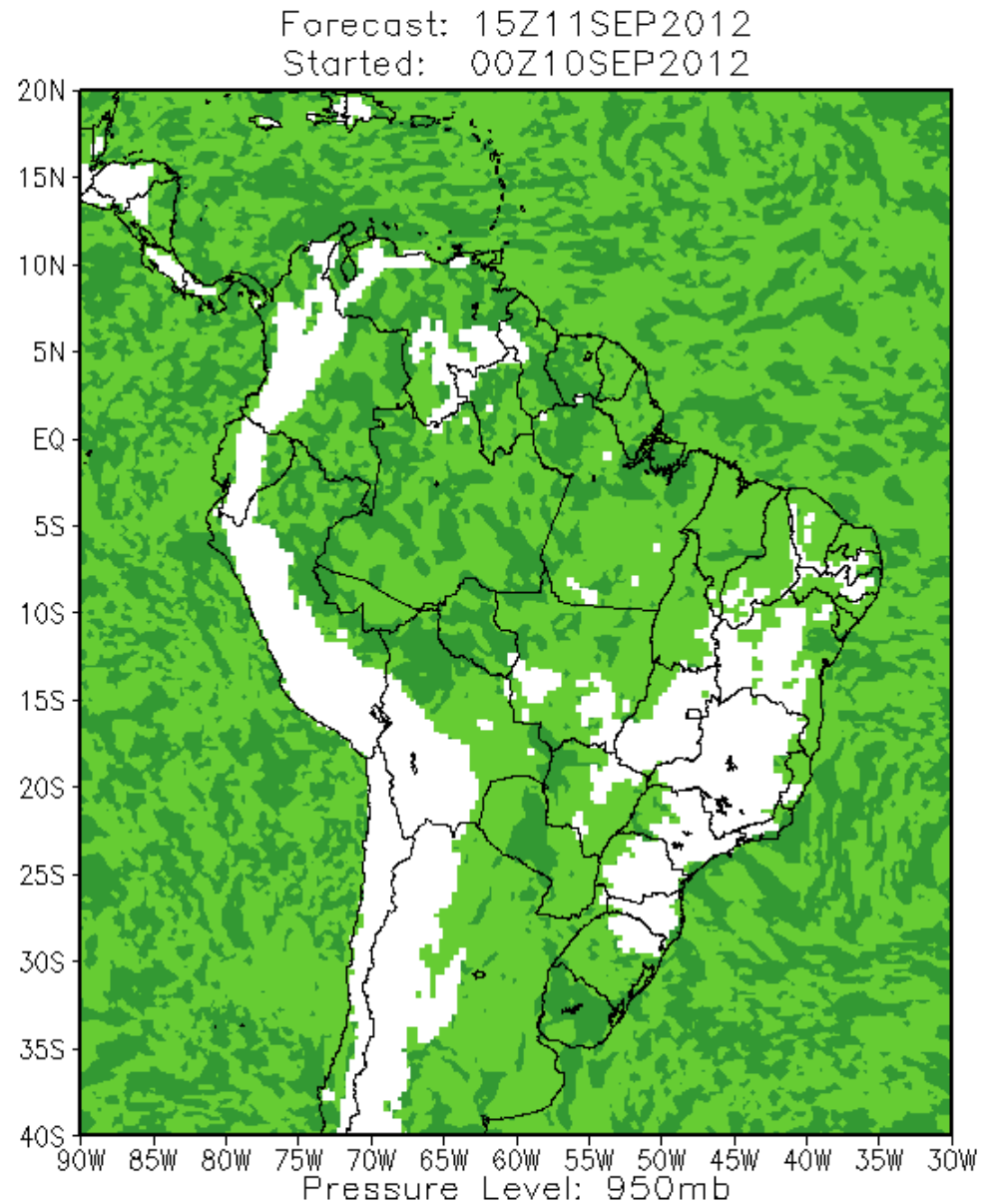
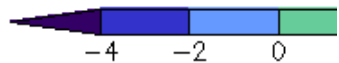
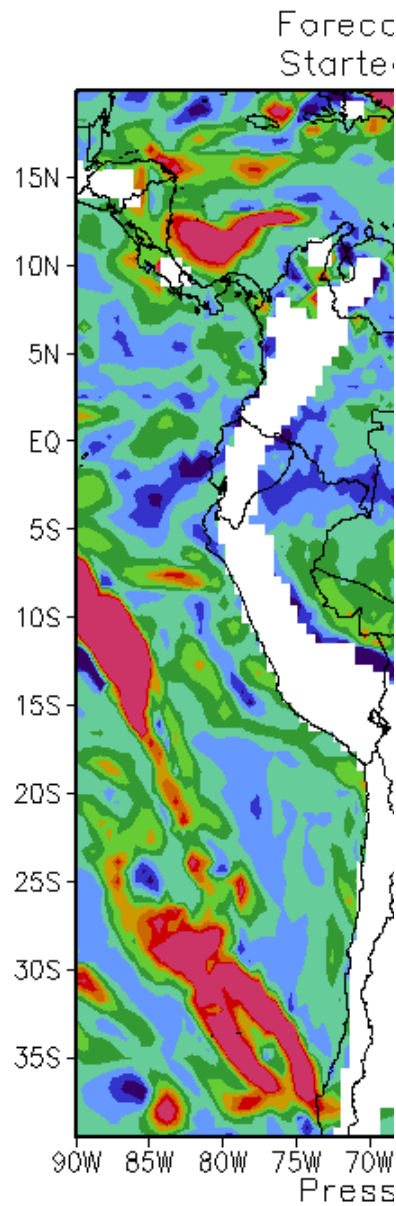
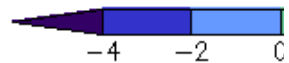
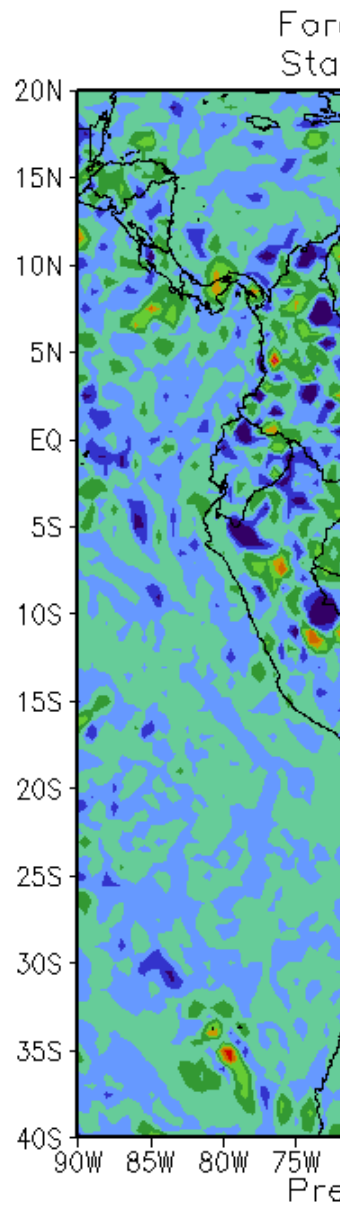
Model configuration

- ❑ Horizontal resolution: 7.5 x 7.5 km
- ❑ Vertical resolution: 70 levels
- ❑ Number of points: 400 x 400
- ❑ Georeference information for post processing:
 - ❑ - Number of points is 340x340
 - ❑ - Resolution lat/lon (deg): 0.07° x 0.07°
 - Latmin=13.135, Latmax=36.86, Lonmin=18.135, Lonmax= 41.86
 - Centre of domaine: (lat, lon) = (25°N,30°E)

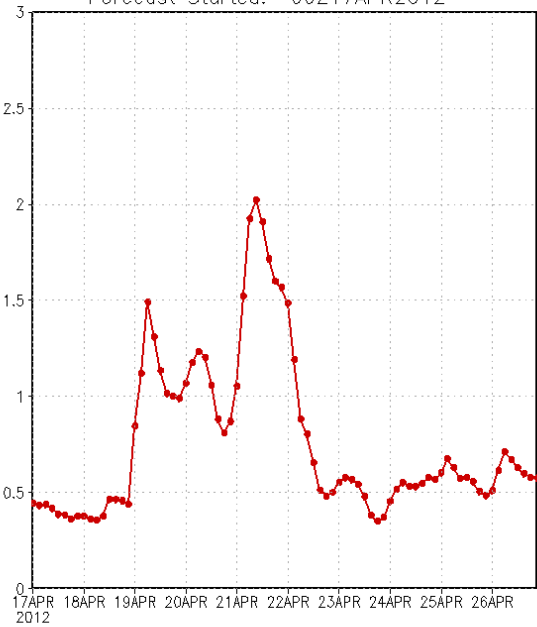
Ongoing work at NOAA/ESRL

- Georg Grell's group is applying WRF-Chem model for SAMBBA and Beijing cases
- WRF-Chem 3.6.1 version
 - 590 * 420 grid cells @ 15km resolution (similar for 5km resolution runs), 50 vertically stretched levels
 - 1-way nested domain with 5km resolution, similar number of grid points
 - ERA Interim Daily meteorological data
 - MACC reanalysis data - Boundary and Input conditions
 - MEGAN biogenic emissions, EDGAR & RETRO anthropogenic emissions, MODIS & WF-ABBA Fire emissions
 - For full chemistry run: Modal aerosols, gas-phase chemistry (RACM), aqueous phase chemistry (aqchem, and transport of all aqueous phase species)
 - RRTMG short and long wave radiation
 - Morrison double moment microphysics
 - GF for convection, one run with aerosol awareness turned on, always scale-aware, also used on 5km resolution domains

Backup slides

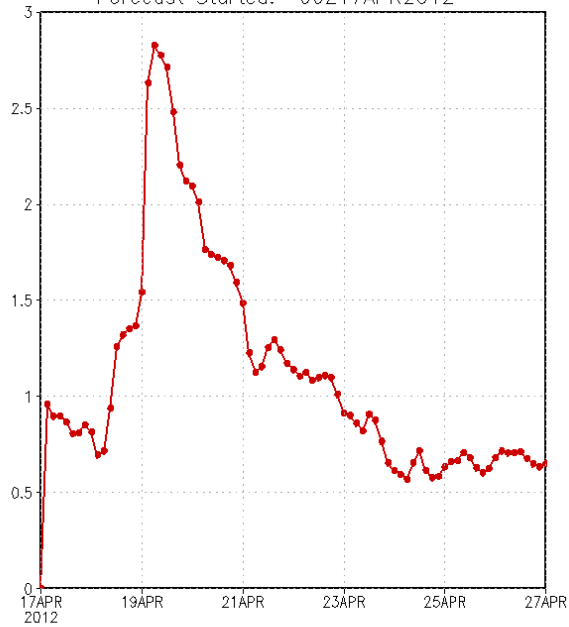


Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (with interactive aerosols)
Forecast Started: 00Z17APR2012



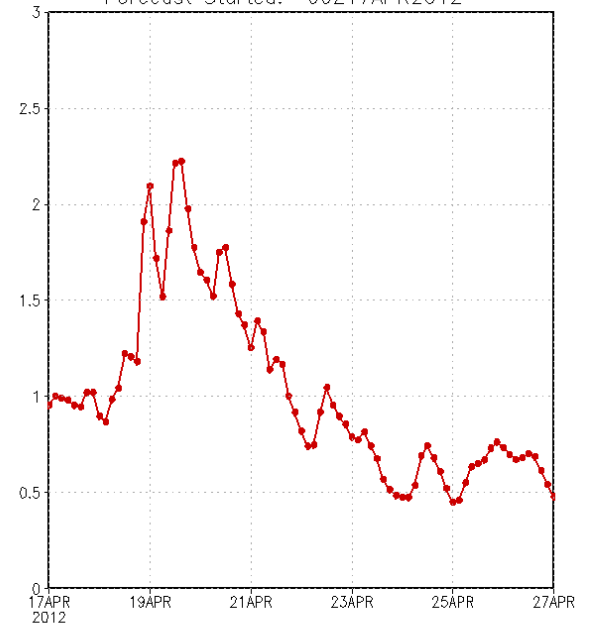
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
ECMWF (direct effect only)
Forecast Started: 00Z17APR2012



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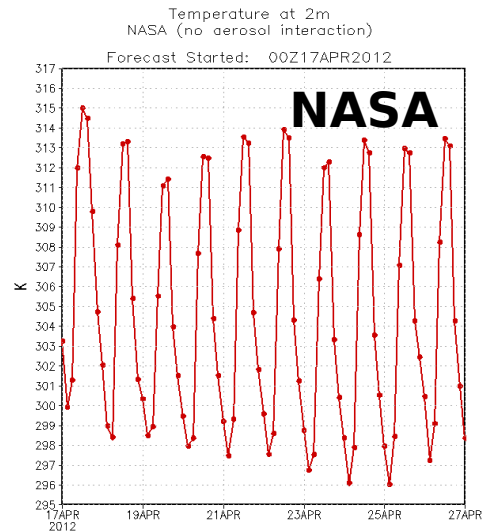
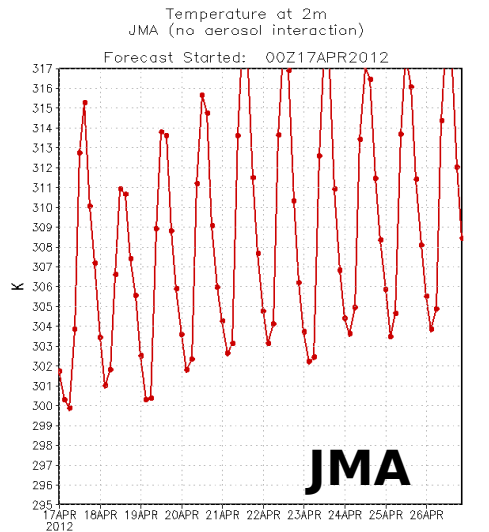
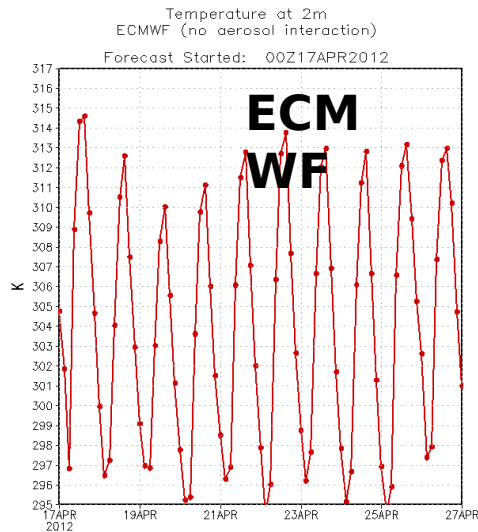
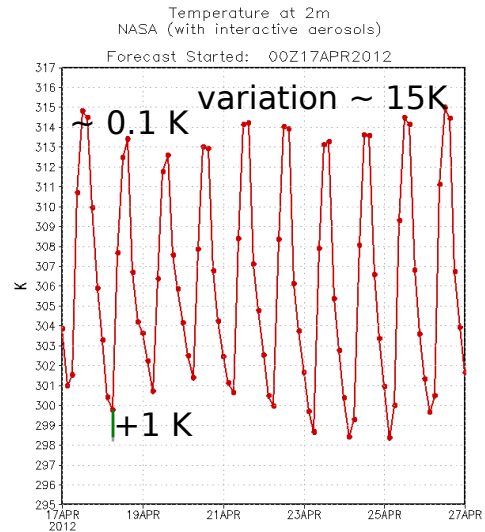
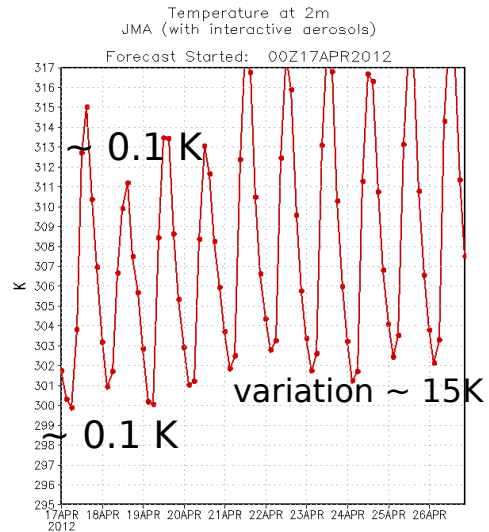
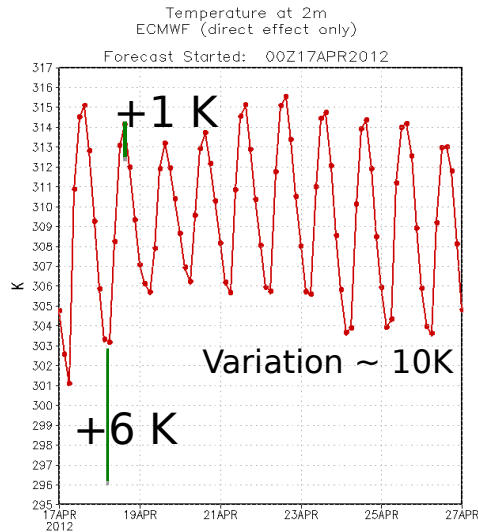
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
NASA (with interactive aerosols)
Forecast Started: 00Z17APR2012



Latitude: 16, Longitude: 15

2m-Temp

10 days forecast (start:00UTC17APR2012)



Latitude: 16, Longitude: 15

Latitude: 16, Longitude: 15

Latitude: 16, Longitude: 15

AER

NO AER



Grell-Freitas Convective Param

- **Scale-aware/Aerosol-aware (Grell and Freitas, 2014, ACP)**
 - Stochastic approach adapted from the Grell-Devenyi scheme (Grell and Devenyi, 2002, GRL; but many of the more computationally expensive ensembles have been cut for efficiency)
 - Scale awareness through Arakawa approach (2011) or spreading of subsidence
 - transitions to precipitating shallow-cumulus scheme as grid spacing decreases (can even use it at $dx=1\text{km!}$)
 - First temperature & moisture tendencies decrease as resolution increases
 - At very high resolution ($dx < 3\text{km}$) parameterized convection becomes much shallower - cloud tops near 800 mb (down from 200-300 mb).
 - Tendencies in general become very small,

Aerosol awareness

Constant autoconversion rate is changed to aerosol (CCN) dependent Berry conversion

Evaporation of raindrops is changed (Jiang and Feingold) based on empirical relationship

$$\left(\frac{\partial r_{rain}}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{autoconversion Berry, 1968}} = \frac{(\rho r_c)^2}{60 \left(5 + \frac{0.0366 \text{ CCN}}{\rho r_c m} \right)}$$

$$PE \sim (I_1)^{\alpha_s - 1} (CCN)^\zeta = C_{pr} (I_1)^{\alpha_s - 1} (CCN)^\zeta$$

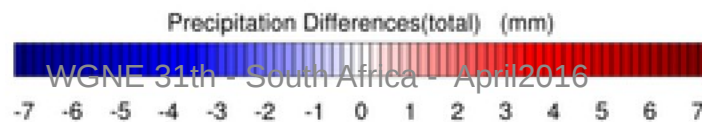
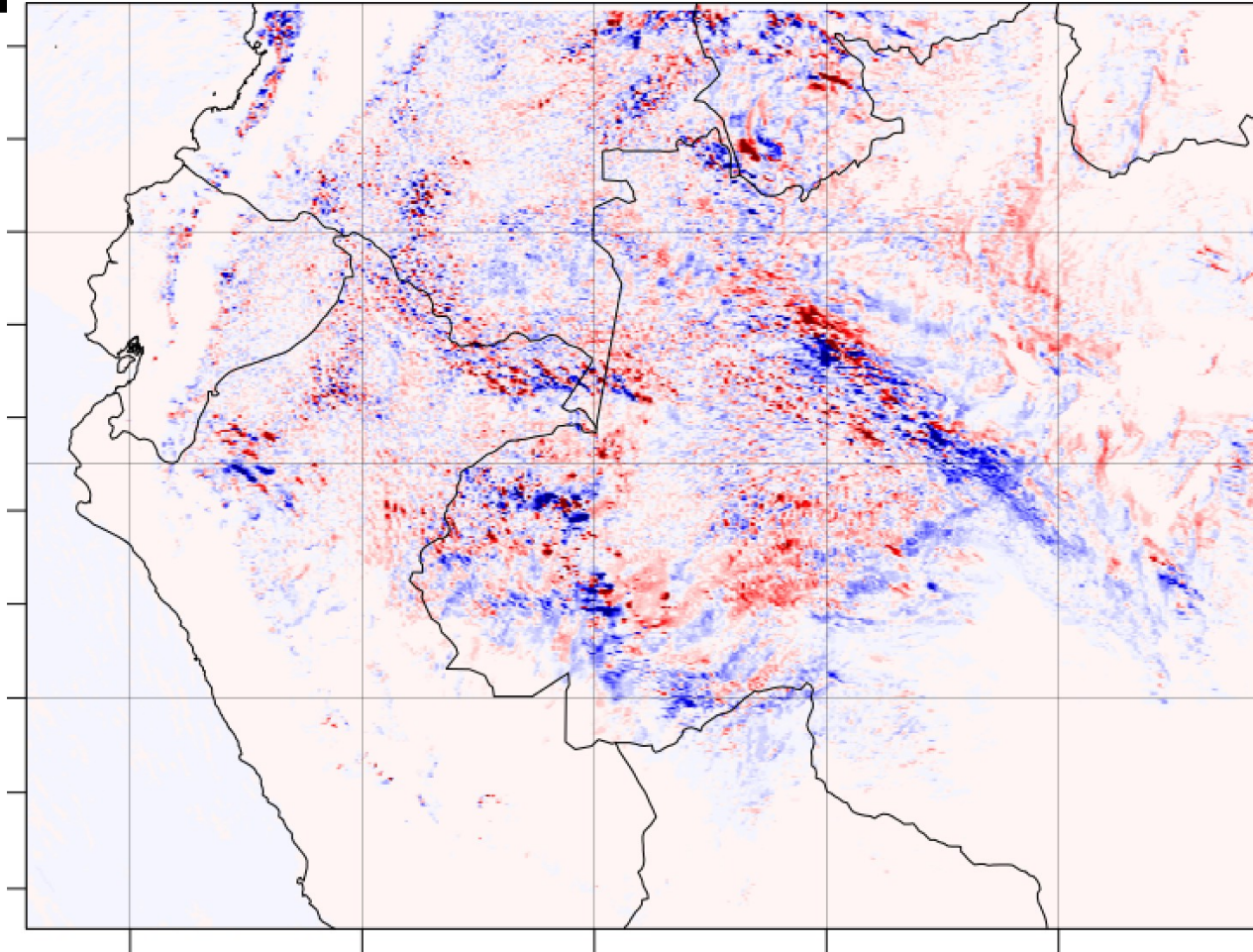
CCN can be from complex model results (WRF-Chem), or simply from observed AOD (global or regional analysis)

Evaporation effect will have a strong impact on downdrafts, but is limited by other environmental conditions (e.g., If the precipitation efficiency is already very low, it cannot get much lower, and vice versa)

3-hourly precipitation differences at Sep 10, 21Z

(M

Precipitation Differences(total) from 2012-09-10_18:00:00 to 2012-09-10_21:00:00 (mm)



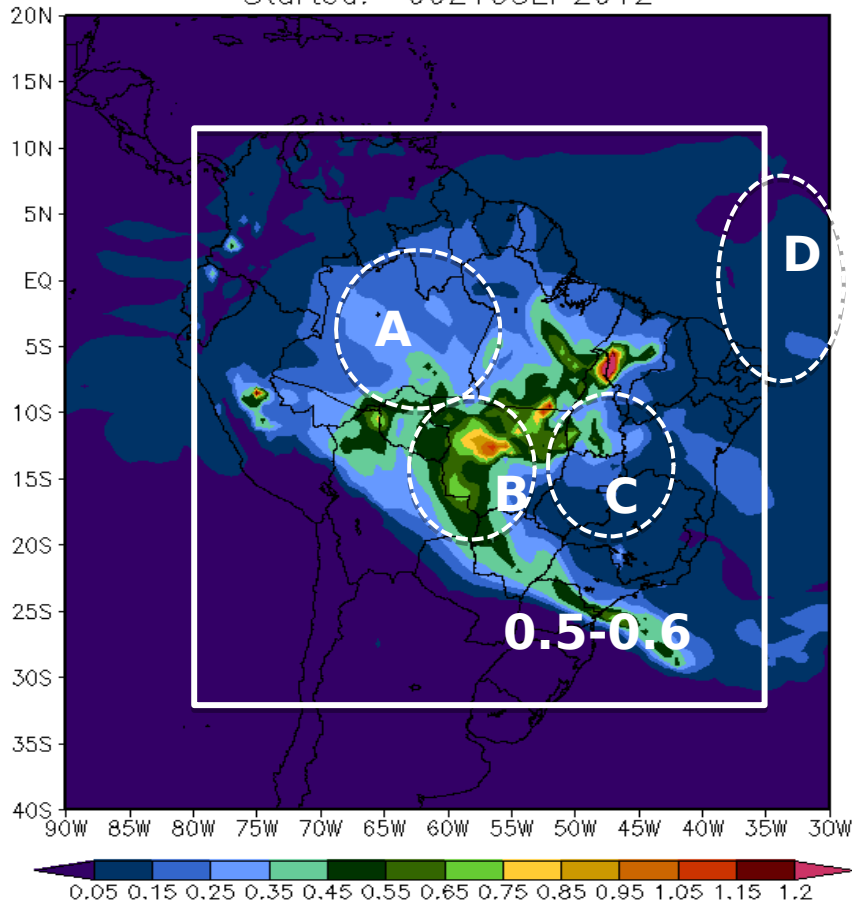
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ECMWF : AOD at 550 nm

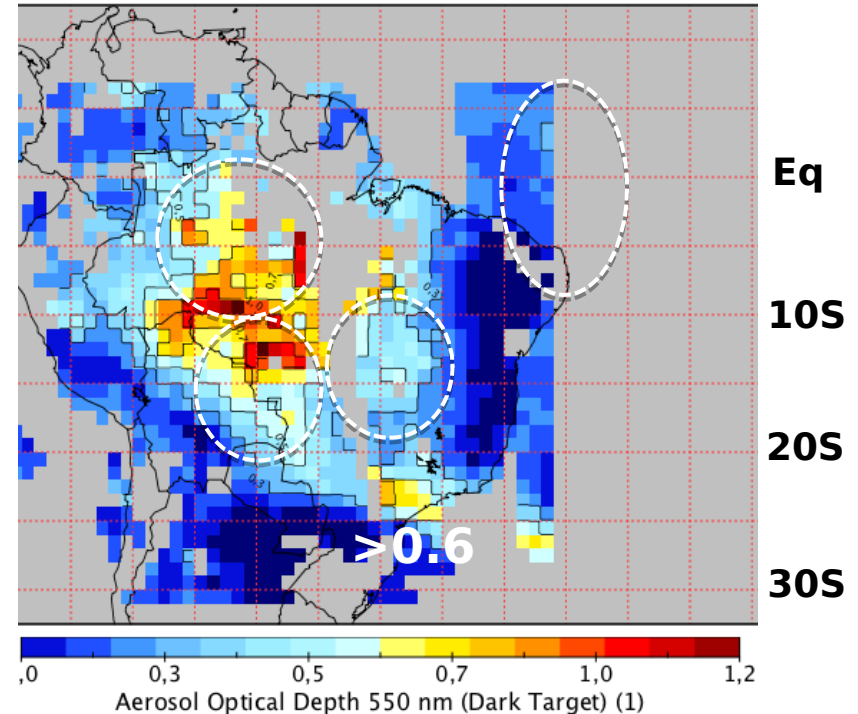
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
ECMWF (direct effect only)

Forecast: 15Z11SEP2012
Started: 00Z10SEP2012



Aerosol Optical Depth 550 nm (MODIS)
11 SEP 2012



A: AOD is underestimated in the interior of Amazon basin (underwood fires?)

B: gradient from NW-SE is well represented, but with lower AOD

C: AOD is also underestimated (might be related to missing fires, savanna area)

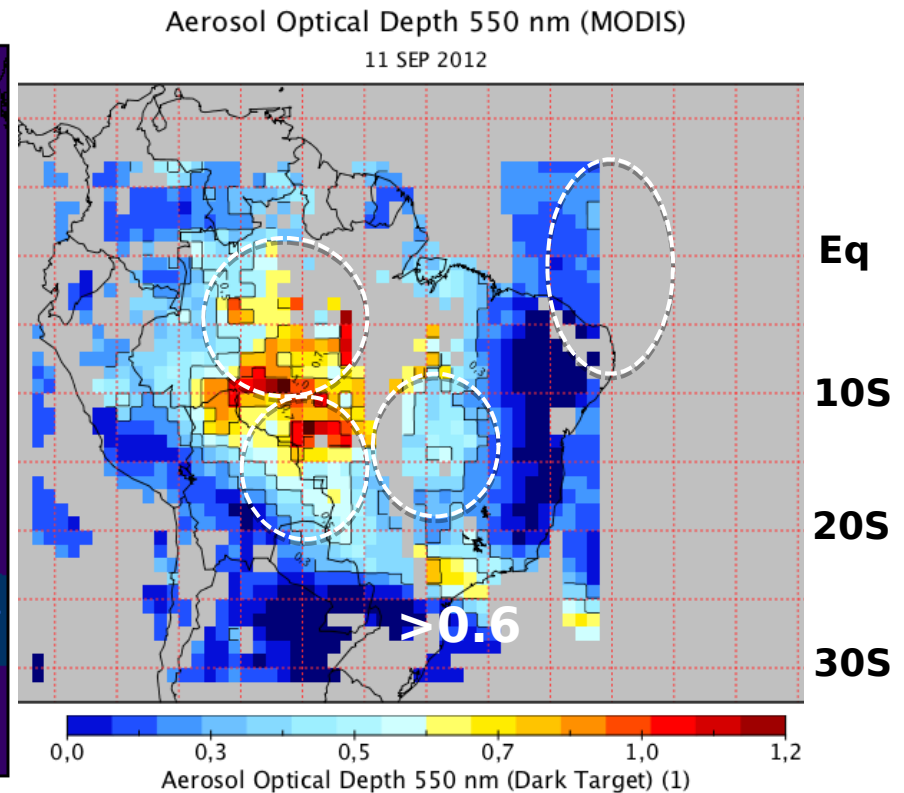
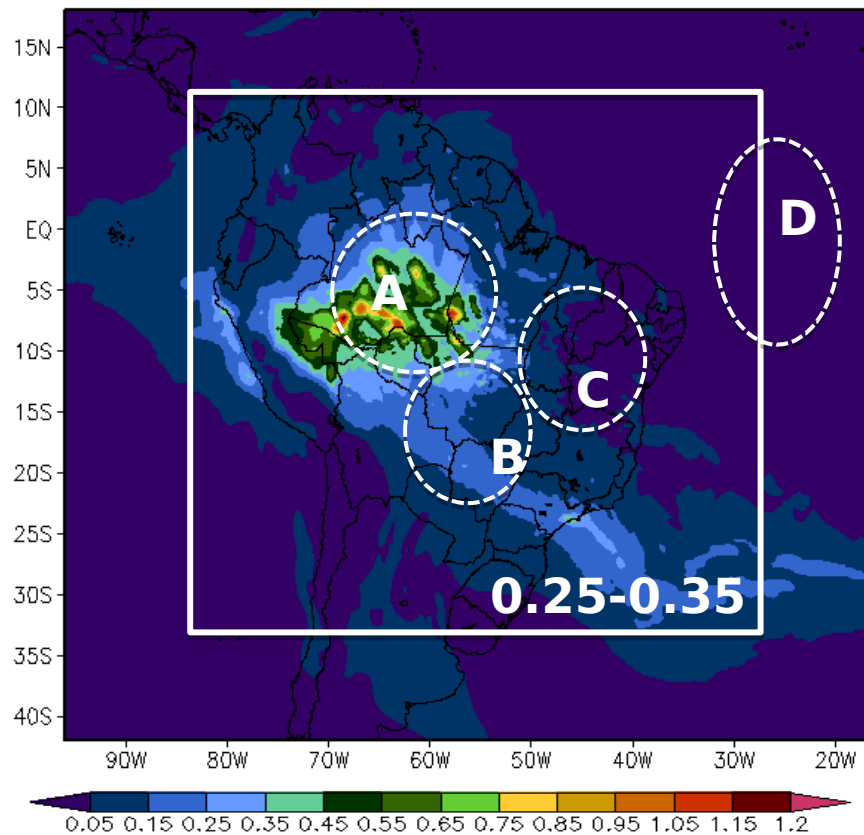
D: Smoke inflow from African fires looks also underestimated

CPTEC: AOD at 550 nm

Forecast for 15UTC11SEP - Init.: 00UTC10SEP

Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
CPTEC (direct effect only)

Forecast: 15Z11SEP2012
Started: 00Z10SEP2012



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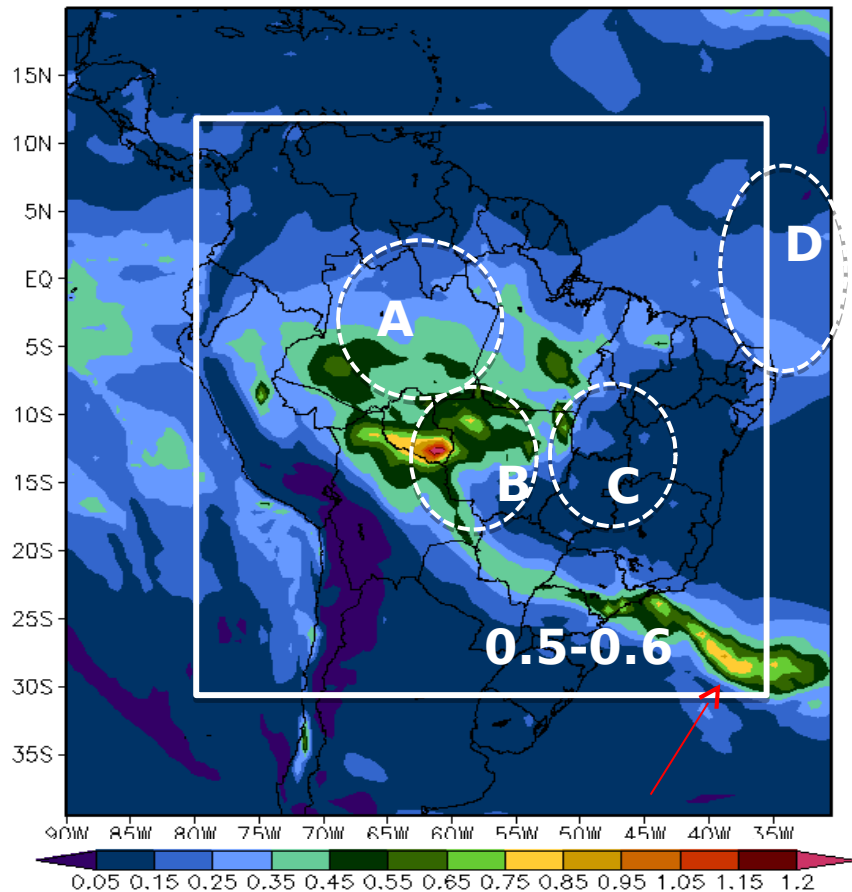
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JMA : AOD at 550 nm

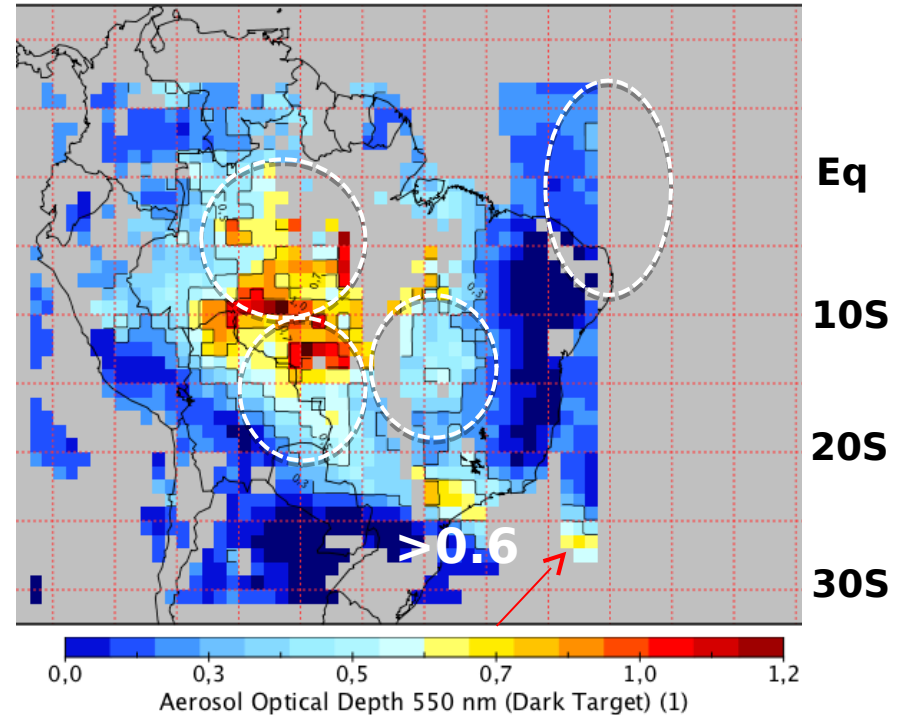
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (with interactive aerosols)

Forecast: 15Z11SEP2012
Started: 00Z10SEP2012



Aerosol Optical Depth 550 nm (MODIS)
11 SEP 2012



A: AOD is underestimated in the interior of Amazon basin (underwood fires?)

B: gradient from NW-SE is well represented, but with lower AOD

C: AOD has the larger underestimation

D: Smoke inflow from African fires looks fine

E: SE outflow looks fine (mag and location)

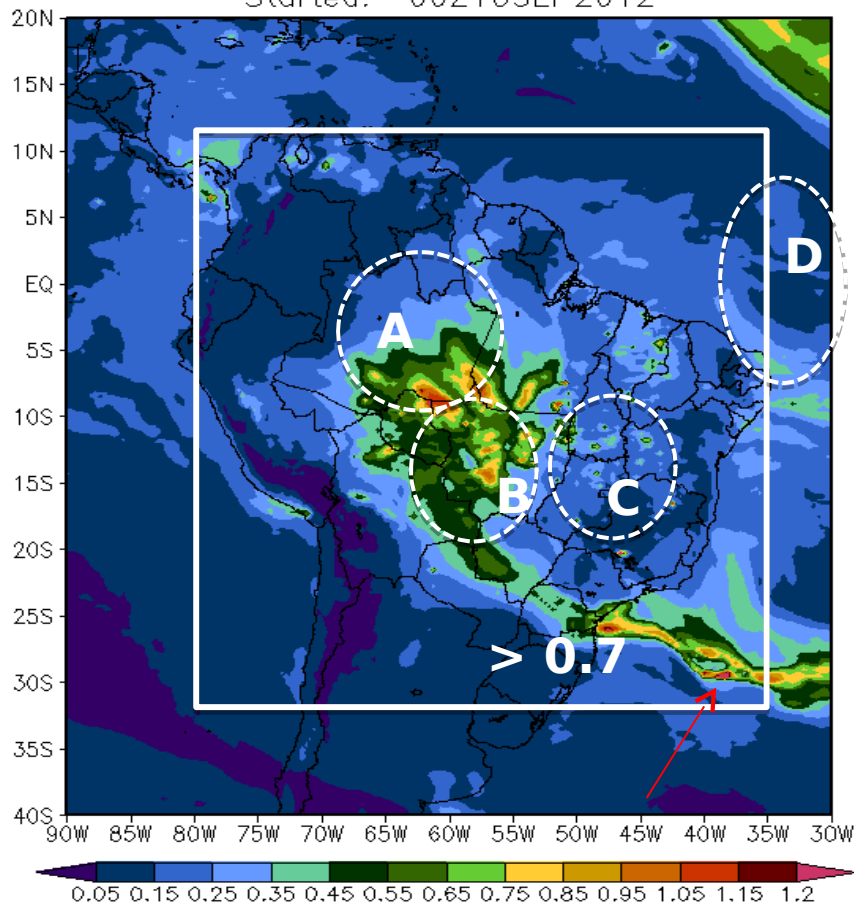
NASA : AOD at 550 nm

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NASA (with interactive aerosols)

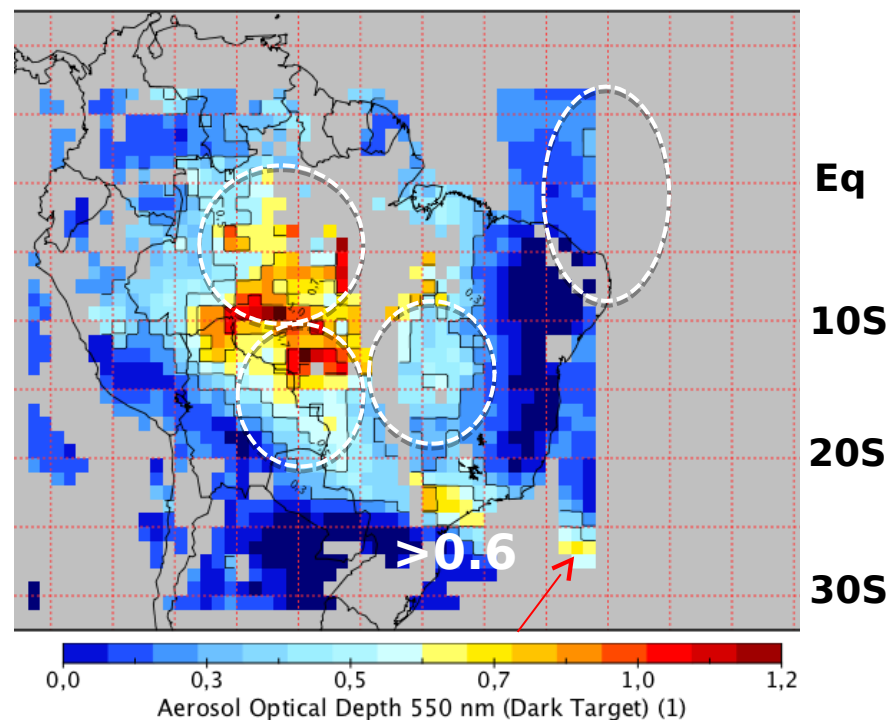
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Aerosol Optical Depth 550 nm (MODIS)

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A: AOD is better represented in the interior of Amazon basin
B: gradient from NW-SE is well represented, but with lower AOD
C: AOD is also underestimated (might be related to missing fires, savanna area)

D: Smoke inflow from African fires looks better represented

E: SE outflow looks fine (mag and location)

AOD @550 nm Forecast from JMA model

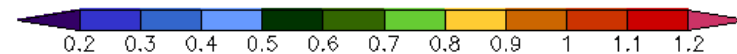
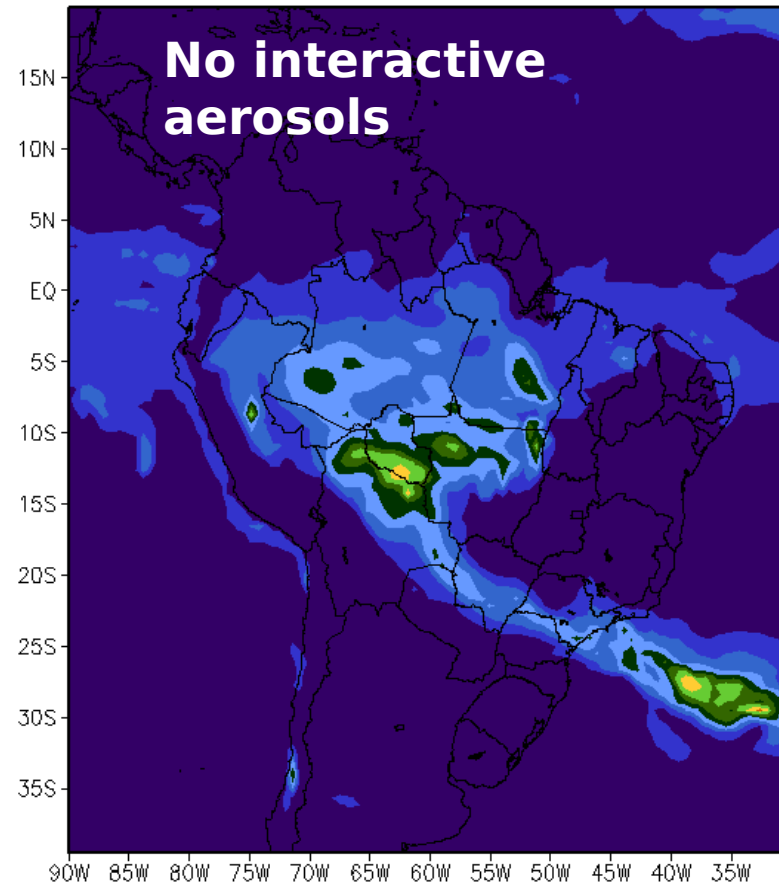
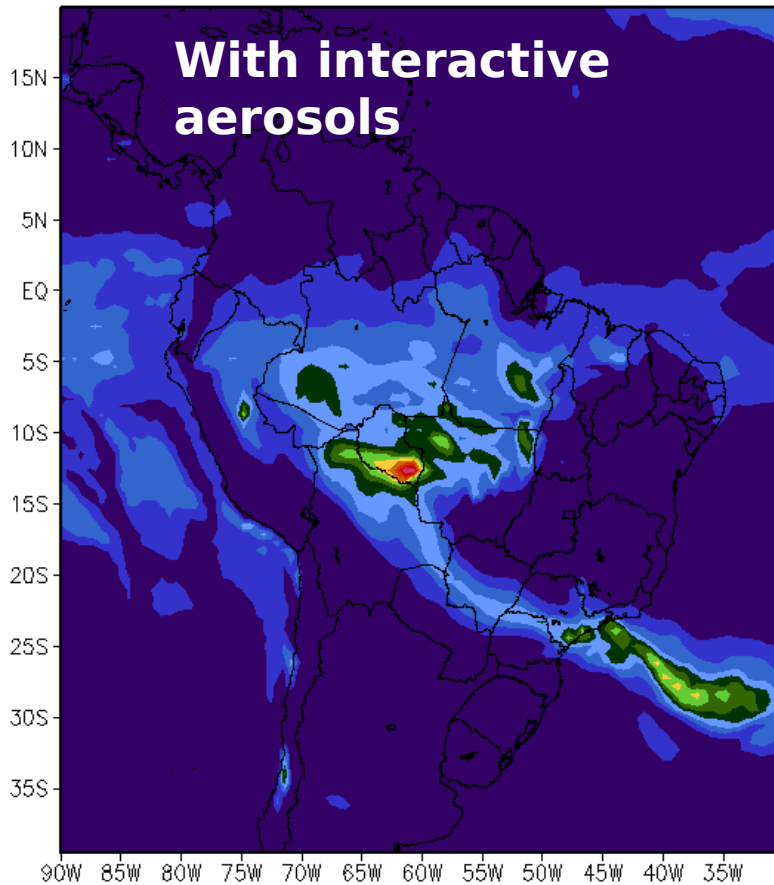
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (with interactive aerosols)

Forecast: 15Z11SEP2012
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Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
JMA (no aerosol interaction)

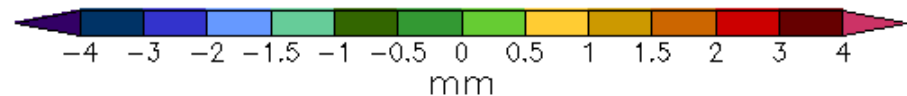
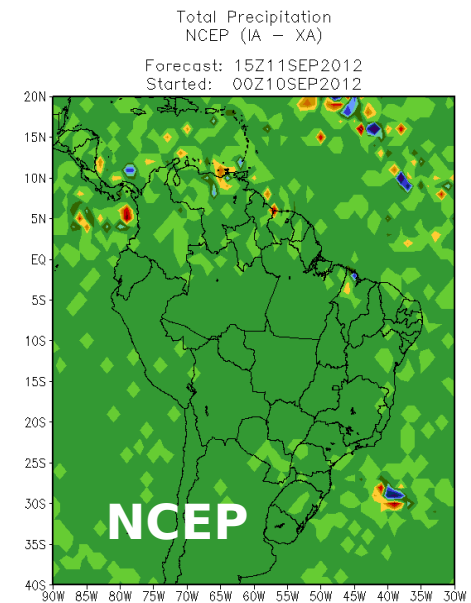
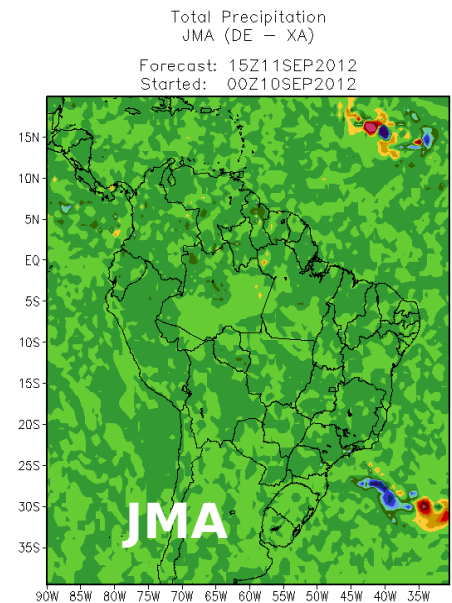
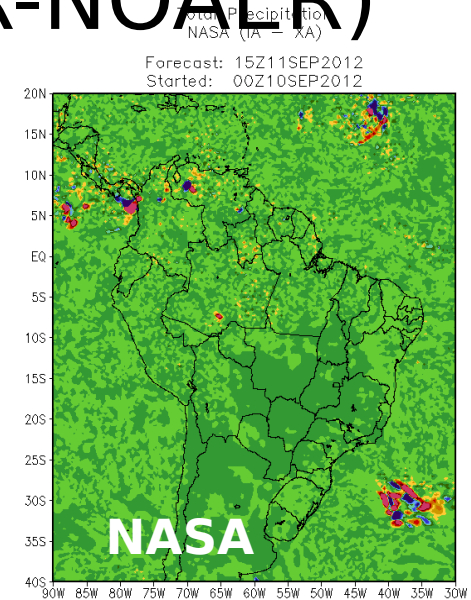
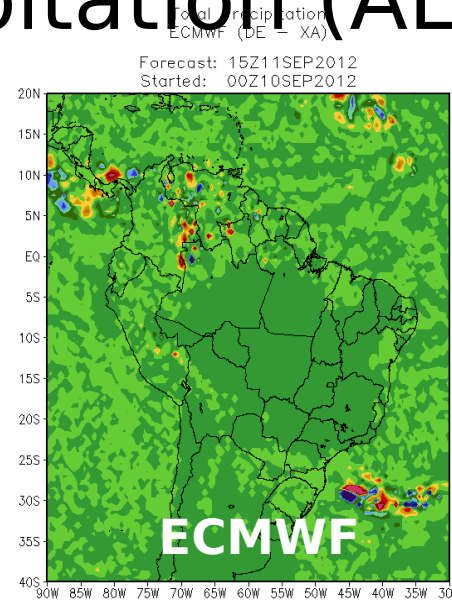
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Grid-scale Precipitation (AER-NOAER)

Forecast for
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- The differences are related to the clouds position only.
- The same holds for convective precip.





The general approach of the proposed work is:

- Select strong or persistent events of aerosol pollution worldwide that could be fairly represented in the current NWP model allowing the evaluation of aerosol impacts on weather prediction.
- Perform model runs both including and not the feedback from the aerosol interaction with radiation and clouds.
- Evaluate aerosol simulation
 - AOD or related parameter
 - Verification: AERONET, MODIS, MISR
- Evaluate aerosol impact on meteorology:
 - 2-meter temperature, dew point temperature, 10-meter wind
 - rainfall, surface energy budget, etc



Protocol: Variables

- Variables to compare:

Variable name on 3 hours interval	Dimensionality	units	obs
2m-Temperature	x,y	K	
10m-wind direction and magnitude	x,y	Degree m/s	
Aerosol optical depth at 550 nm	x,y	-	
total aerosol mass column integrated	x,y	Kg/m ²	
Precipitation (from convective parameterization)	x,y	mm	
Precipitation (from cloud microphysics at grid scale)	x,y	mm	
shortwave and longwave downwelling radiative flux at the surface.	x,y	W/m ²	
temperature tendency associated to the total radiative flux divergence.	x,y,z	K/s (or dy)	
Temperature	x,y,z	K	
Relative Humidity	x,y,z	-	
Cloud drop number concentration	x,y,z	cm ⁻³	

- Output should be using a lat-lon rectangular grid. The preferred format is NETCDF.



Protocol: Experiments

Experiment	Direct Effect	Indirect Effect	No aerosol Interaction
1	X		
2		X	
3	X	X	
4			X



Participating Models

Institution Model	Domain Resolution	Aerosol Species	A & BB Emissions	Aerosol Physics	Cloud Physics	Aerosol Assimilation
CPTEC BRAMS LAM+CCAT	Regional 10 km	BC, Sea-Salt, OC, SO4	EDGAR 4.3BEM	bulk	2-mom	no
JMA MASINGAR	Global TL319L40	Dust, Sea-Salt, BC, OC, SO4	MACCity GFAS 1.0	2-mom	2-mom	no
ECMWF Global	Global T511L60			Bulk	Bulk	yes
Météo-France ALADIN + ORILAM	Regional 7.5 km	Dust	DEAD model	3-mom log-no normal	Bulk	no
ESRL/NOAA WRF-Chem	Regional cloud res.	(many)	EDGAR 4.3BEM	Bulk and Modal	2-mom	no
NASA/GSFC GEOS-5+GOCART	Global 25 km	Dust, Sea-Salt, BC, OC, SO4	EDGAR 4.1 QFED 2.4	Bulk	Bulk or 2-mom MG	yes
NCEP NGAC+GOCART	Global T126	Dust, Sea-Salt, BC, OC, SO4	Climatologic al Aerosols	Bulk	Bulk	no