

Inverse Modeling and Attainment Analysis for Improved Decision Support of PM_{2.5} Air Quality Regulations

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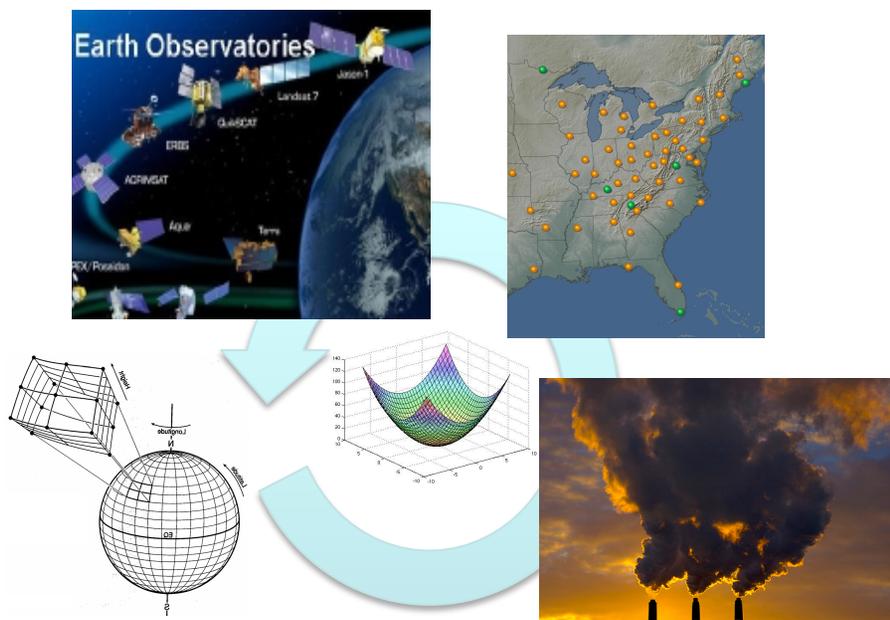
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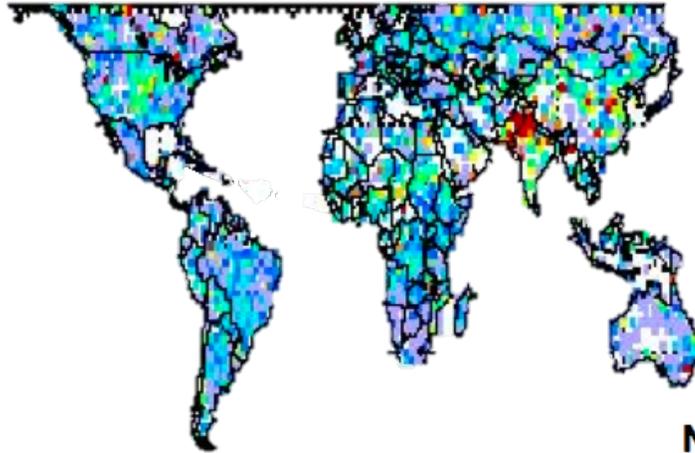


Project summary

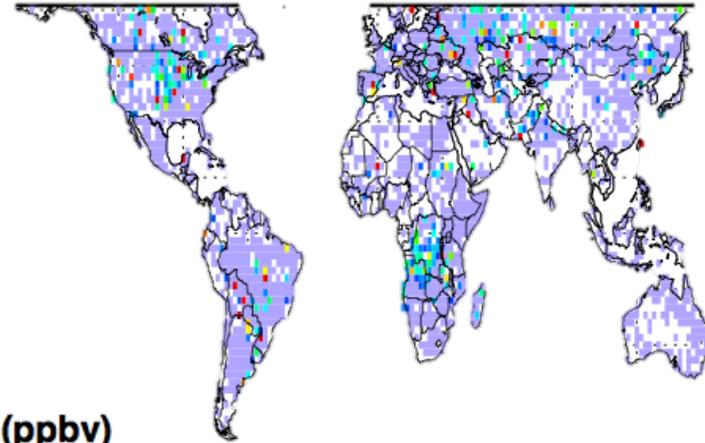
- Motivation: ~130,000 deaths owing to PM_{2.5} exposure in the U.S. annually (Fann et al., 2012). How can we AQ improve models that relate mortalities to specific precursor sources?
- Remote sensing is used to inform US EPA National Emissions Inventories, and adjoint modeling is used to relate these emissions to attainment of PM_{2.5} exposure and ambient air quality standards.
- Earth observations and models applied:
 - TES NH₃, OMI and SCIAMACHY NO₂
 - IMPROVE, CASTNet, NDP, AMoN
 - GEOS-Chem, GISS Model E, CMAQ

Remote sensing of PM_{2.5} precursors

TES NH₃ July



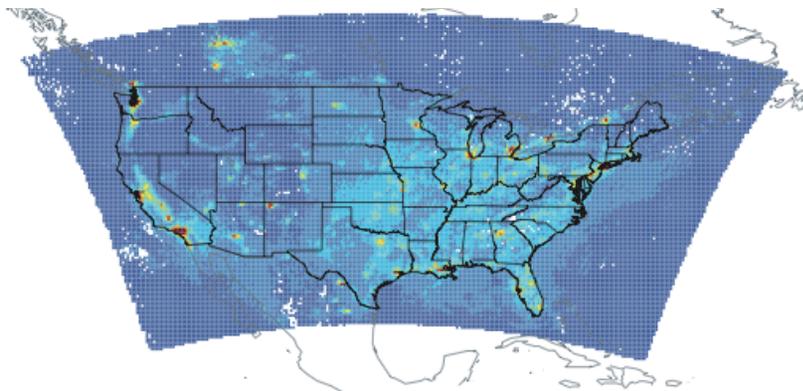
GEOS-Chem NH₃ July



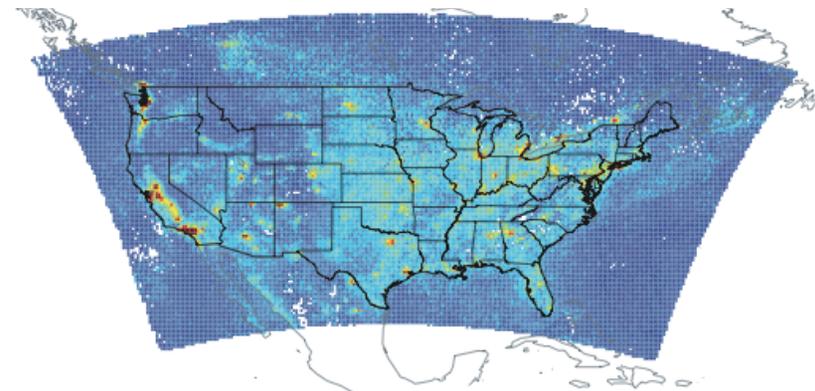
NH₃ RVMR (ppbv)



OMI NO₂



CMAQ NO₂



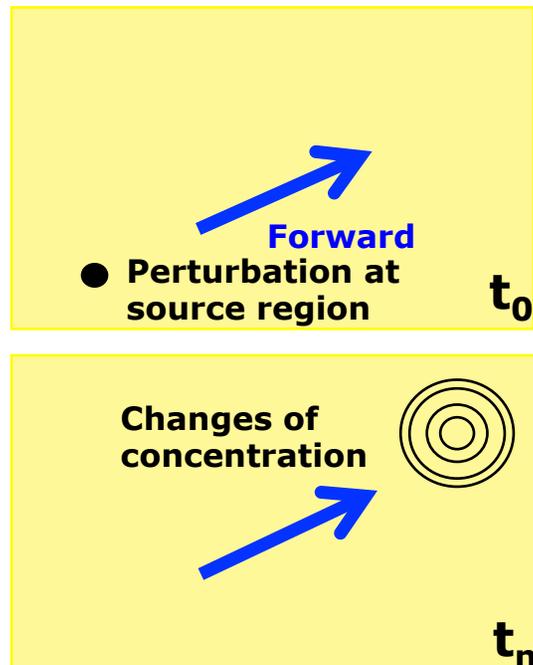
10¹⁵ molecules cm⁻²

How to use remote sensing to constrain emissions?

Adjoint modeling for source-receptor analysis:

Forward Model (source-oriented)

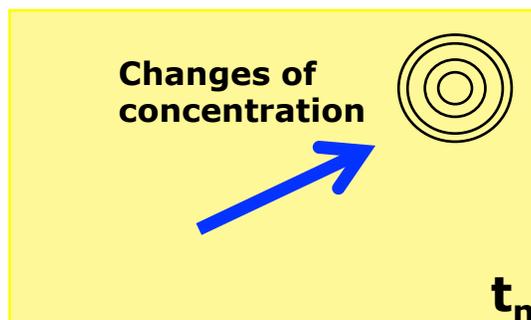
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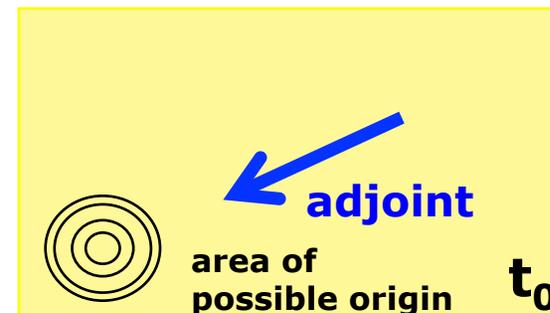
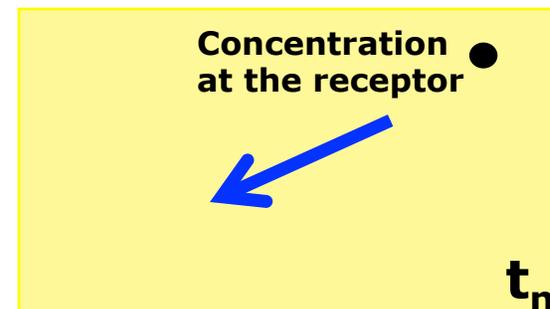
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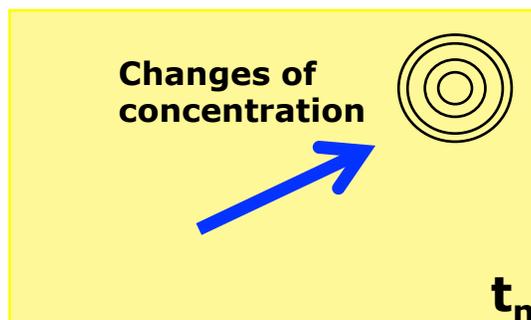
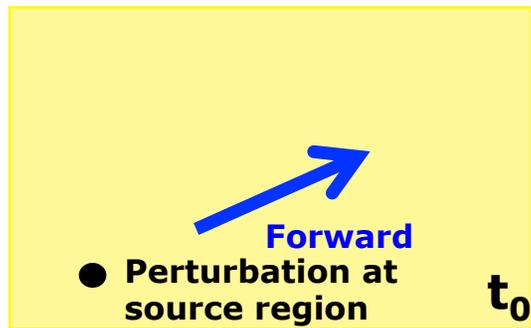
Sensitivity of model concentration in specific location to many model sources



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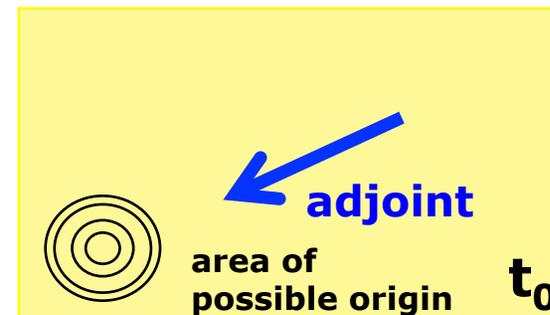
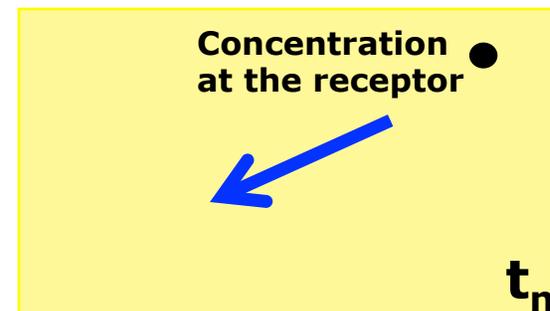
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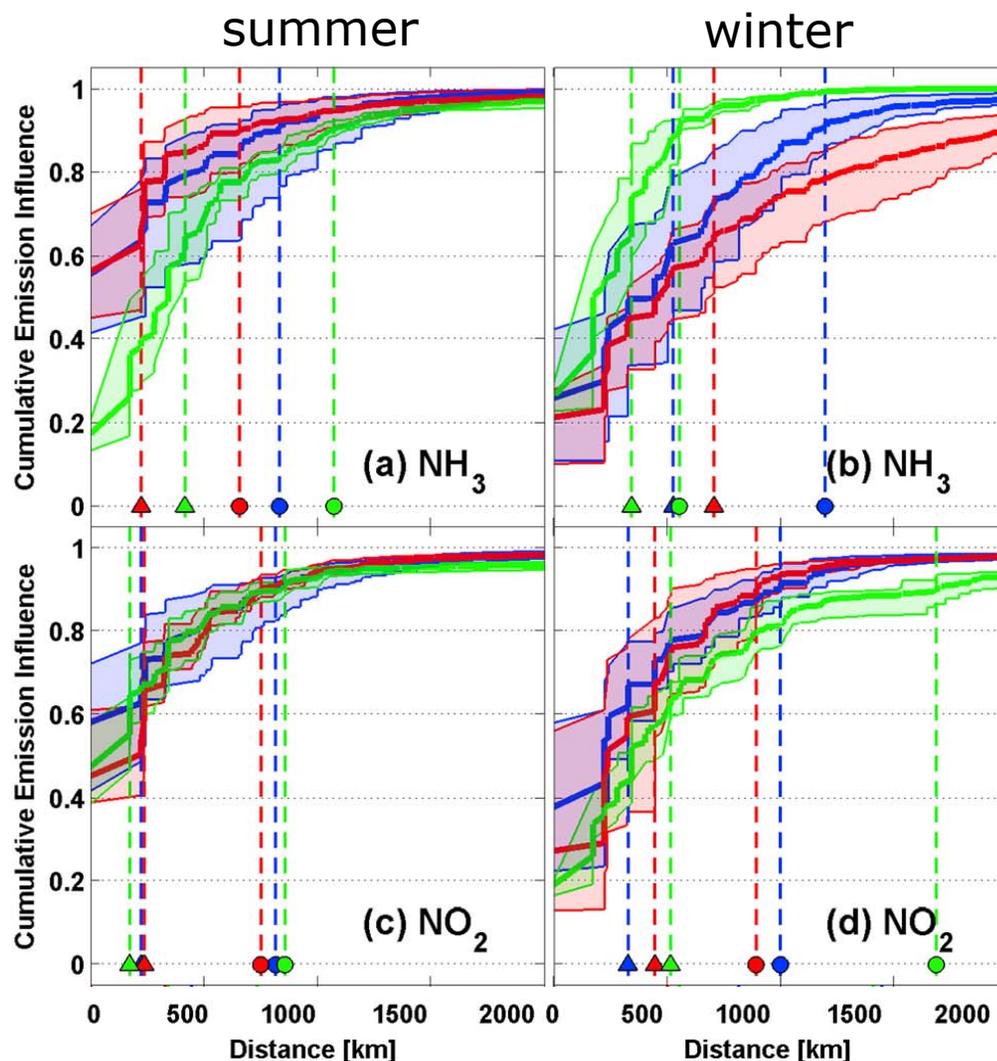
Sensitivity of model *response* over any region to many model sources

example responses: model error, statewide mortality,...



Spatial extent of short-lived species on column concentrations

Fraction of column governed by emissions



- “mass balance” approach assumed to work with 2x2.5 degree models and coarse satellite footprints may have significant errors

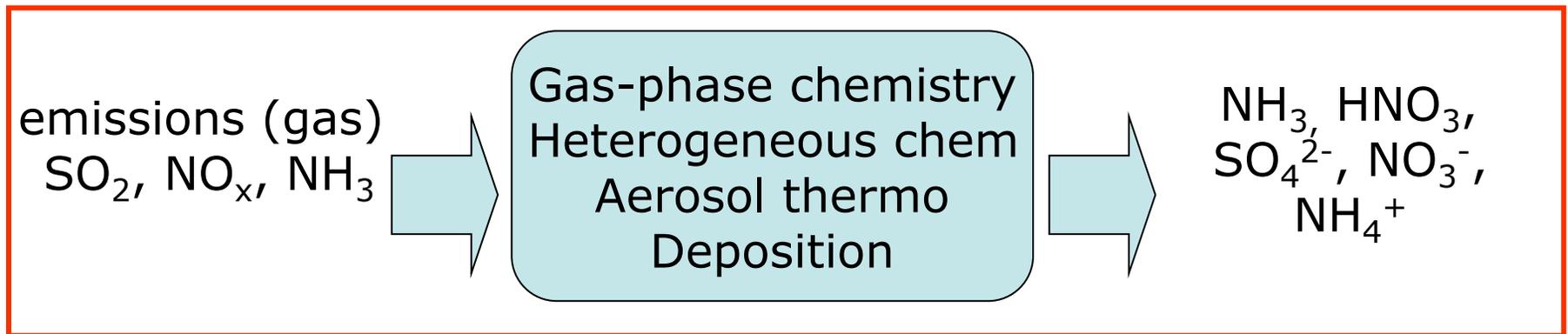
- Emissions of short-lived species can have long-range impacts

- Sophisticated data assimilation tools needed

- Need is exacerbated by higher resolution models and higher density of data e.g., geostationary (TEMPO)

Constraining PM_{2.5} sources with 4D-Var approach

Air quality models (**M**) GEOS-Chem / CMAQ predict speciated PM_{2.5}



4D-Var approach: constrain emissions through inverse modeling

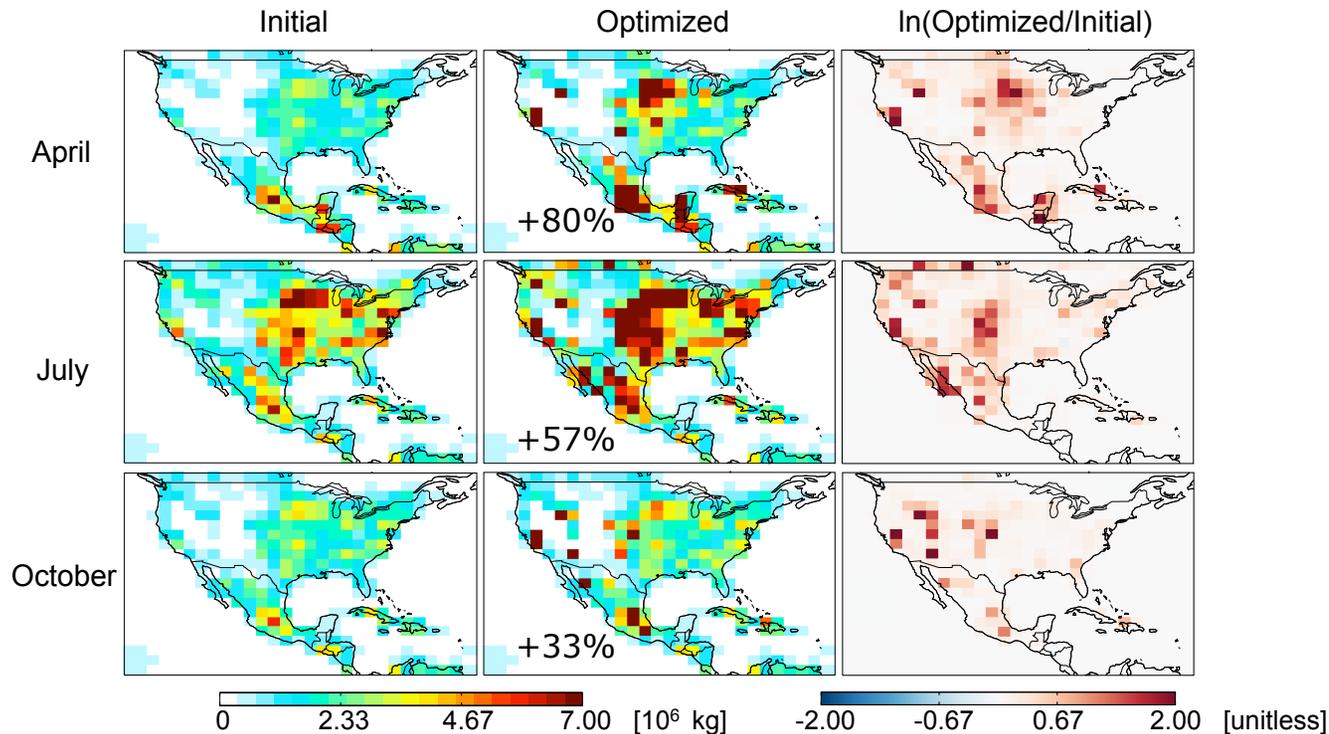
- uses adjoint model (e.g., Henze et al., 2007)
- assimilates observations (**y**)
- adjusts emissions (**x**) at the grid-scale to minimize J :

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i (M(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}_i)^T \mathbf{S}_y^{-1} (M(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}_i) + (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^a)^T \mathbf{S}_x^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^a)$$

model error *a priori constraint*

Constraining emissions of NH_3 in GEOS-Chem using 4D-Var technique

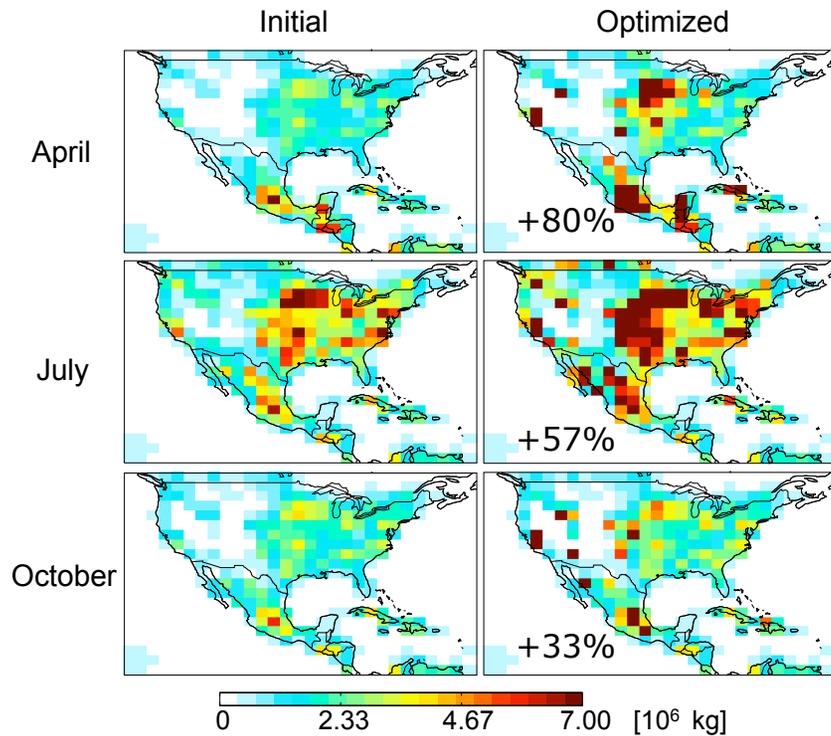
NH_3 emissions in GEOS-Chem



- Corrections to NH_3 sources highly spatially variable
- Recent field campaigns (CalNex) confirm some sources underestimated by x3 (e.g, Nowak et al., 2012)

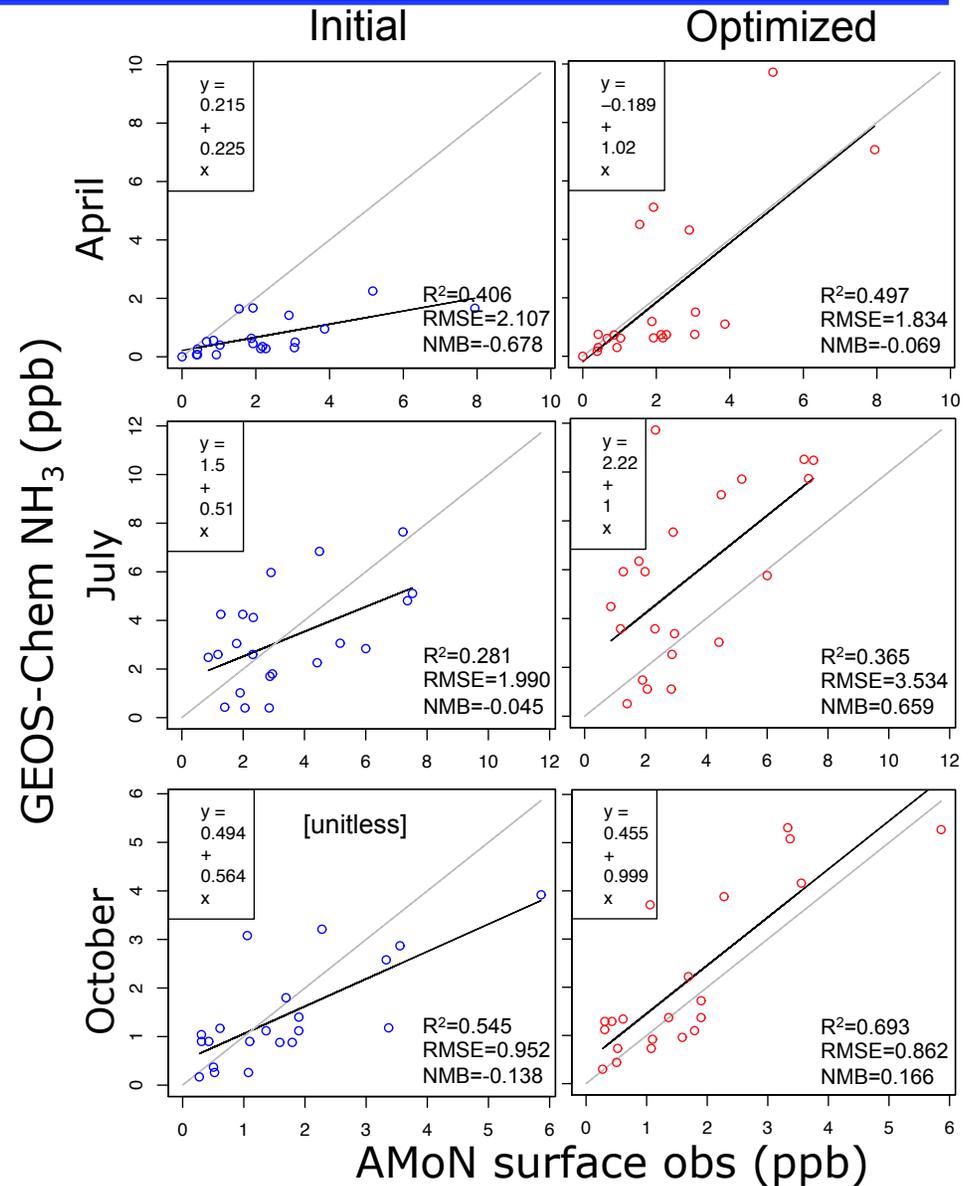
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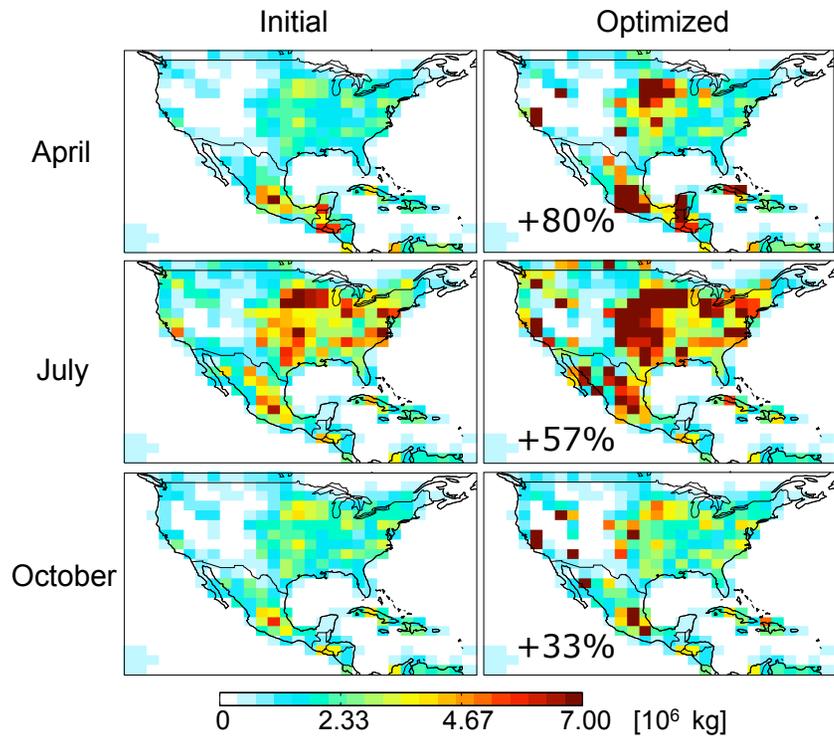
Constraints from TES improve estimates of NH_3 at AMoN sites in April and October. Contradicting in July.

Zhu et al., 2013



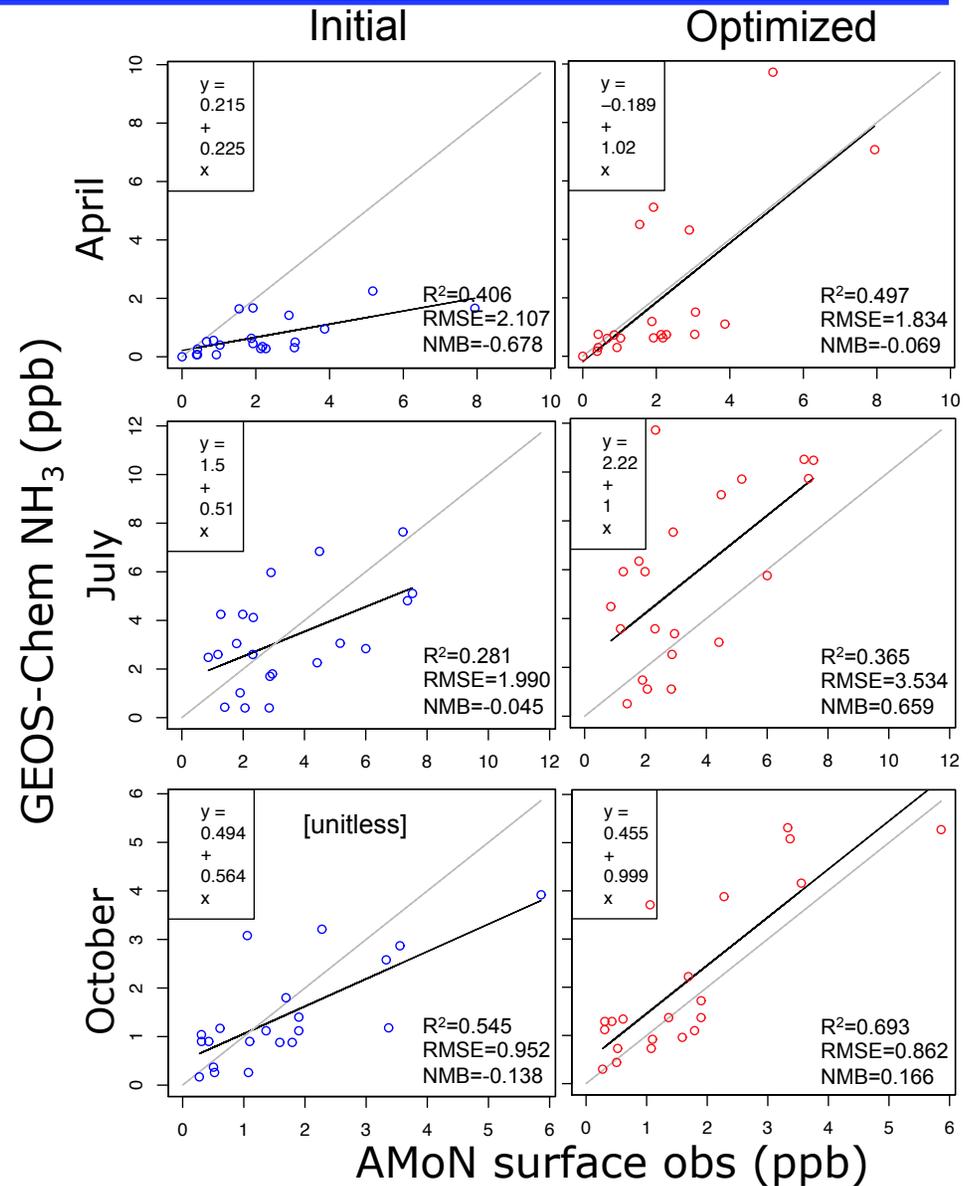
Constraining emissions of NH₃ in GEOS-Chem using 4D-Var technique

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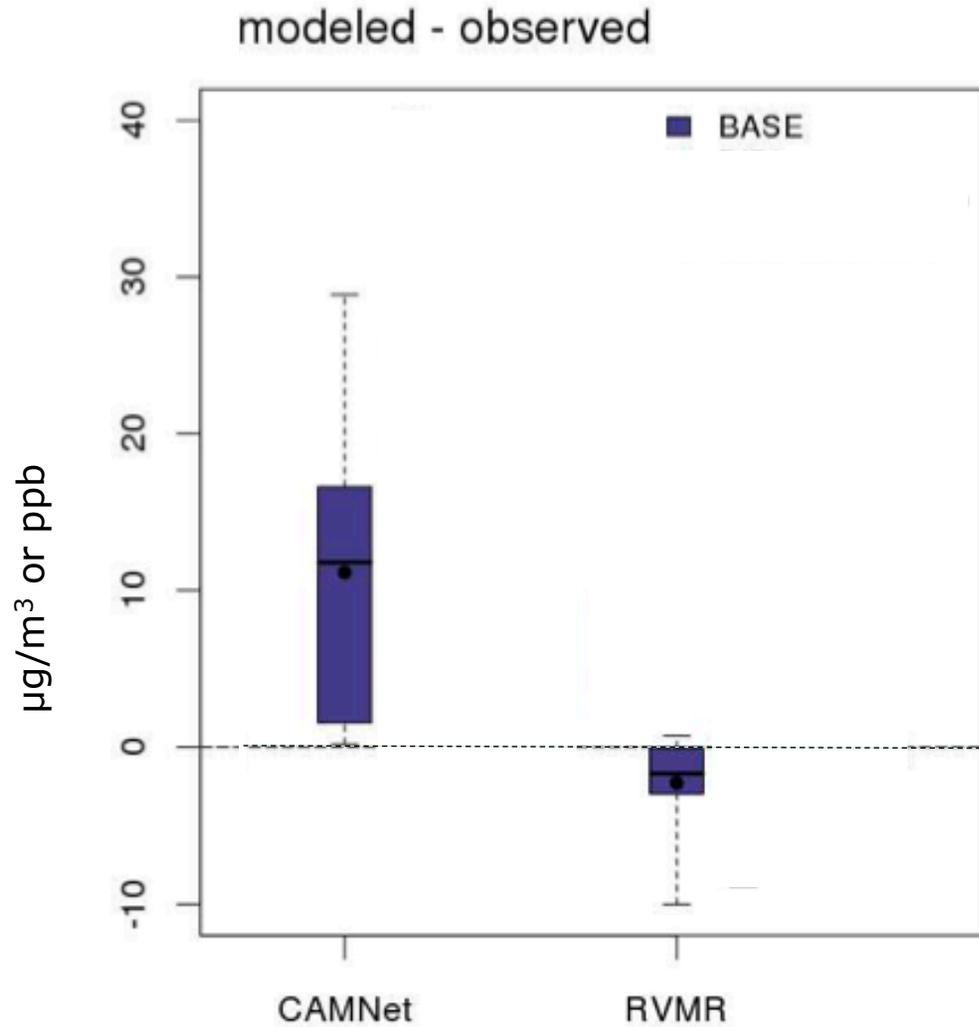


Agrees with constraints using NH_x deposition from Paulot et al. (submitted) in April (+/- 20%) but not in July

Zhu et al., 2013



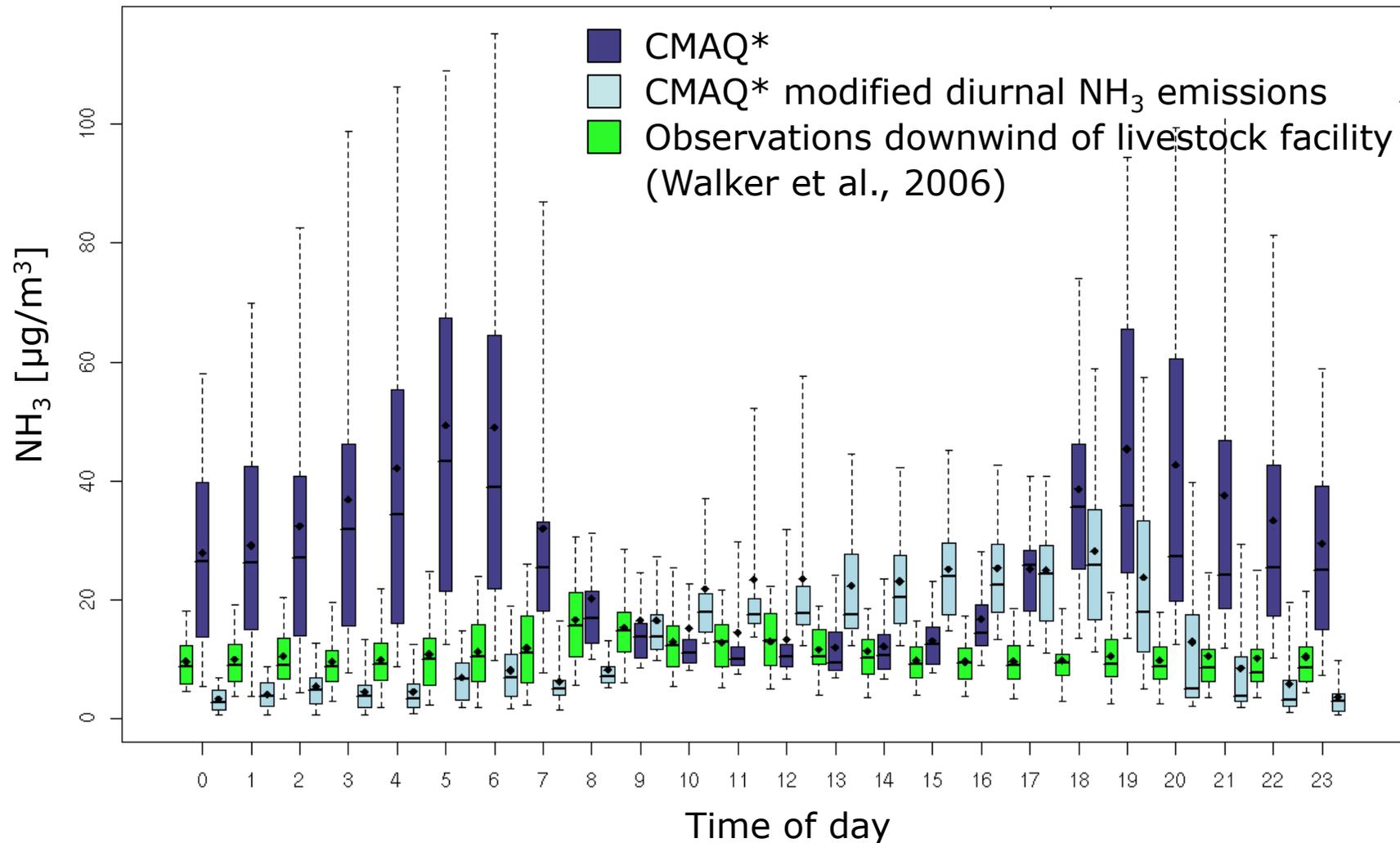
NH₃ too high at the surface, too low at ~2km
also in CMAQ over NC



(surface, 2 week average)

(TES, ~2km, 1:30 pm)

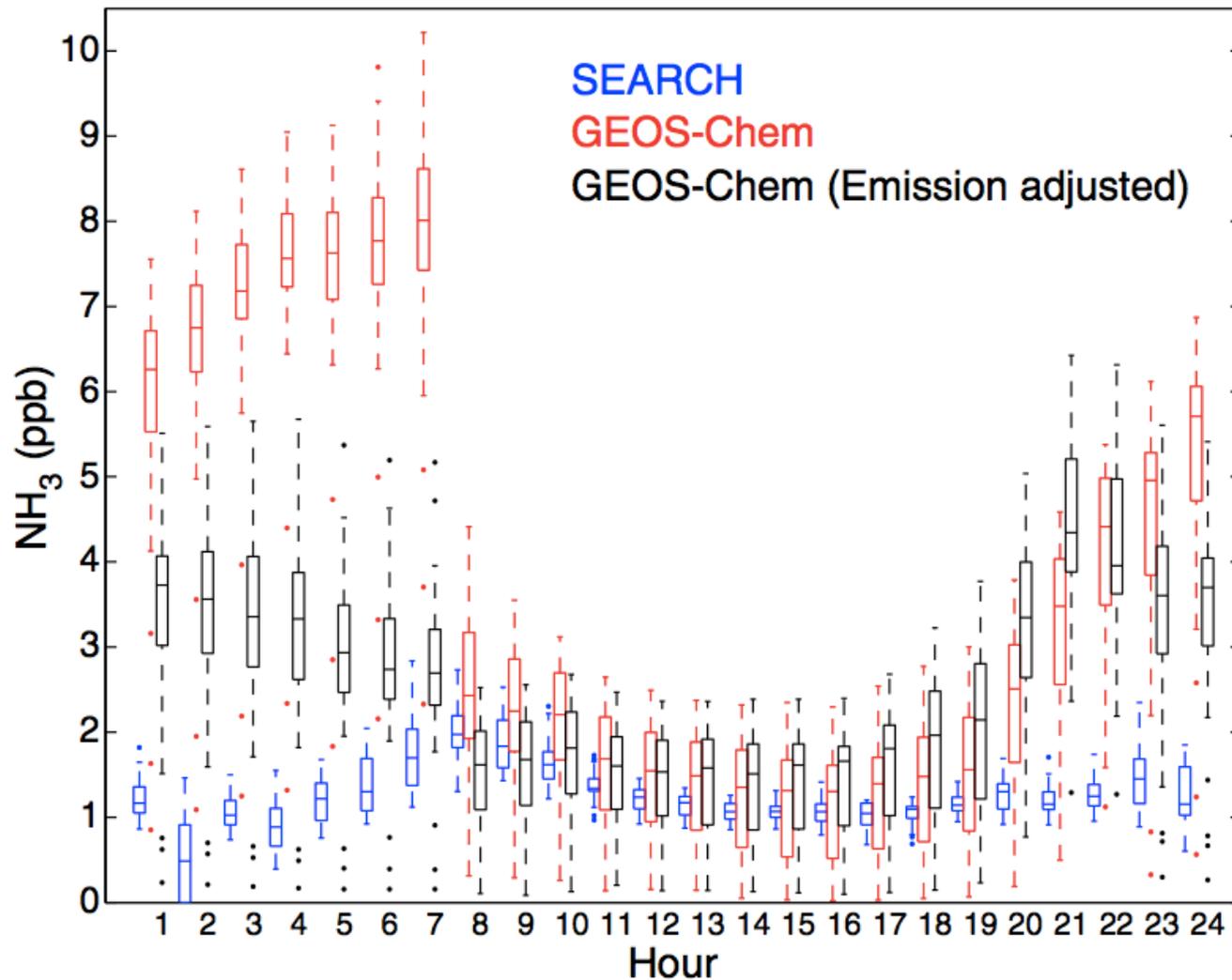
Diurnal variability of NH_3 : case study in Warsaw, NC, with CMAQ regional model



* Using NEI05 emissions, simulated year not same as observations

Jeong et al., submitted

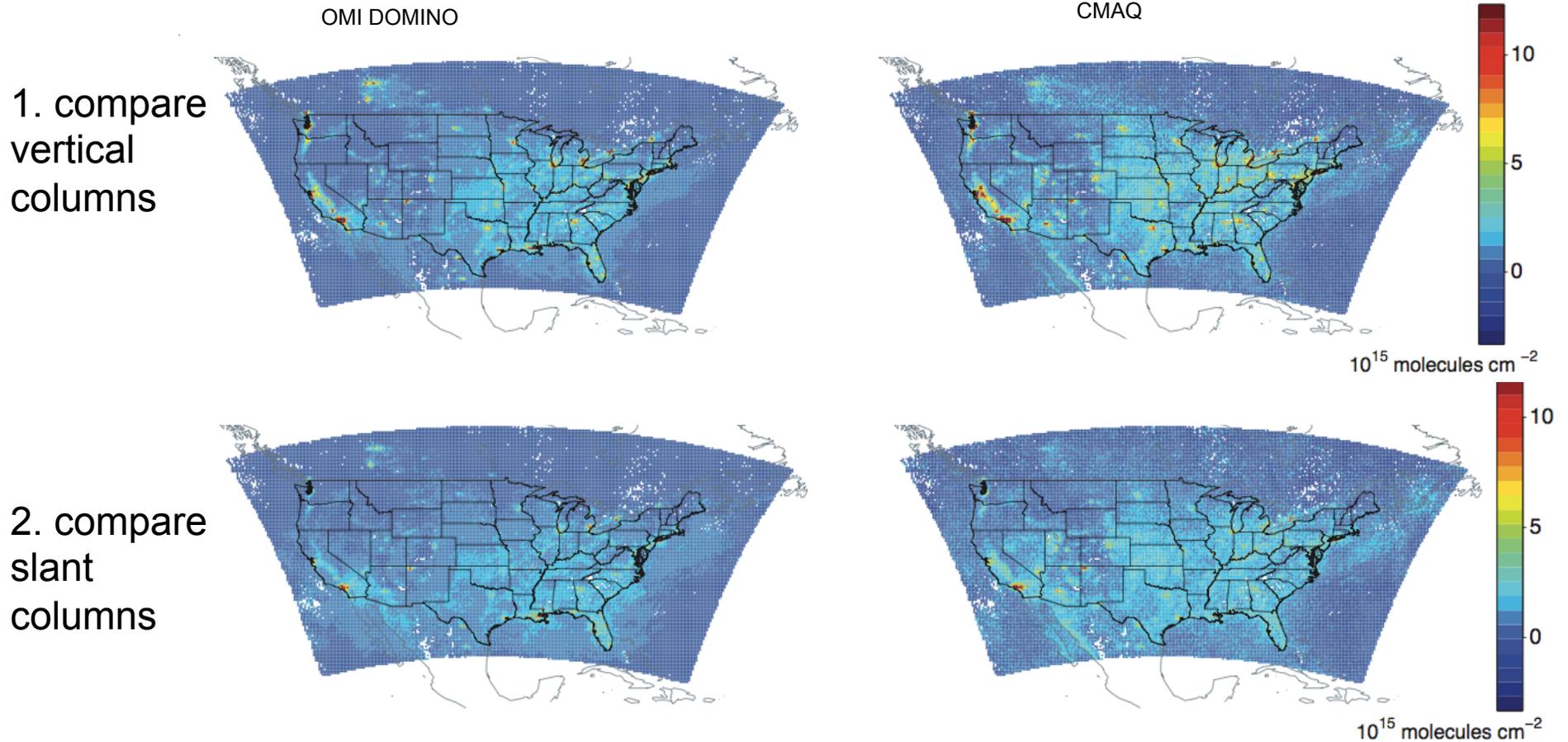
Diurnal variability of NH_3 in GEOS-Chem global model in Yorkville, GA (forest/agriculture)



Zhu et al., 2013

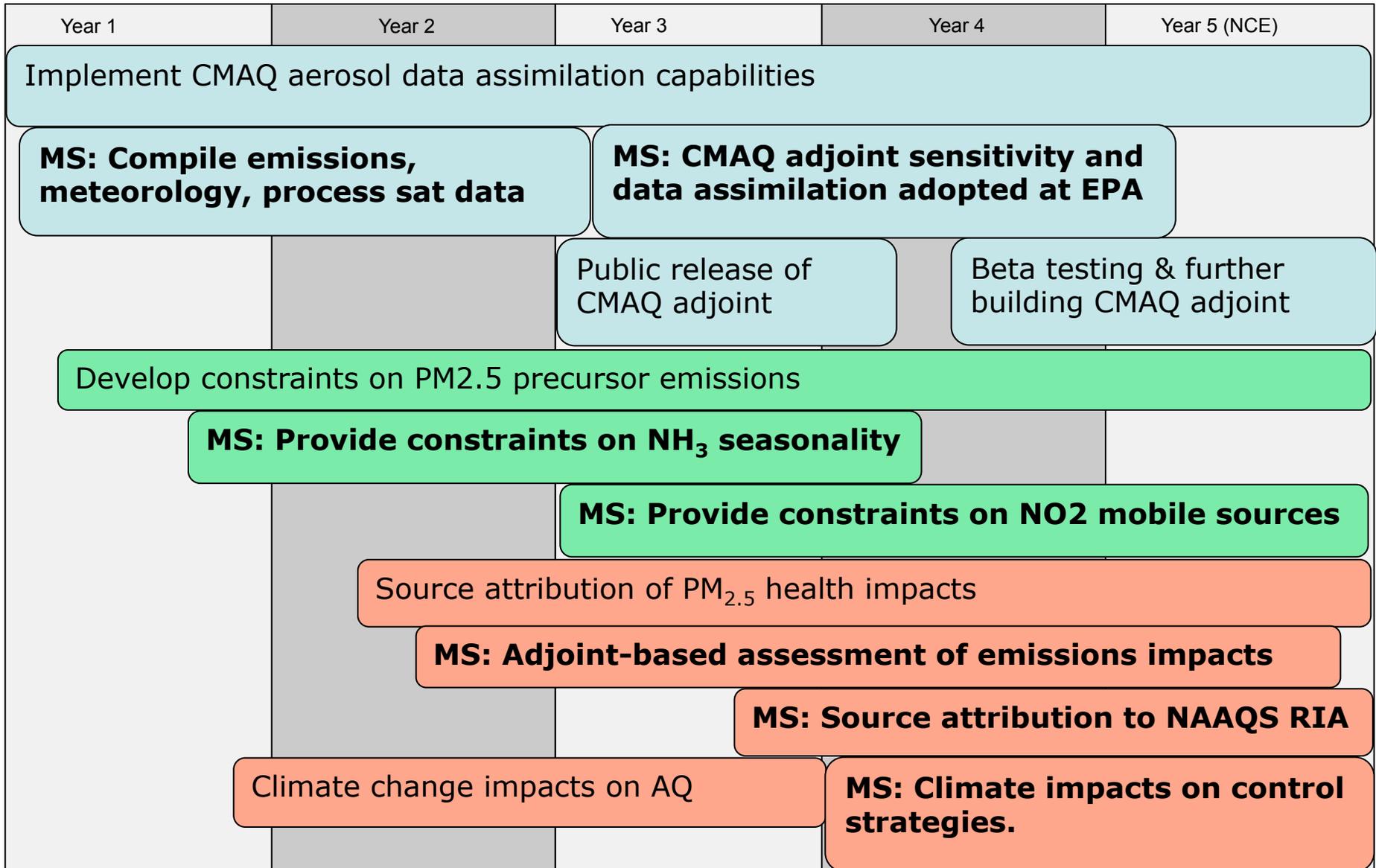
New scheme tested in National Emission Inventory at EPA

Online observation operator for assimilating NO₂ into CMAQ using 4D-Var

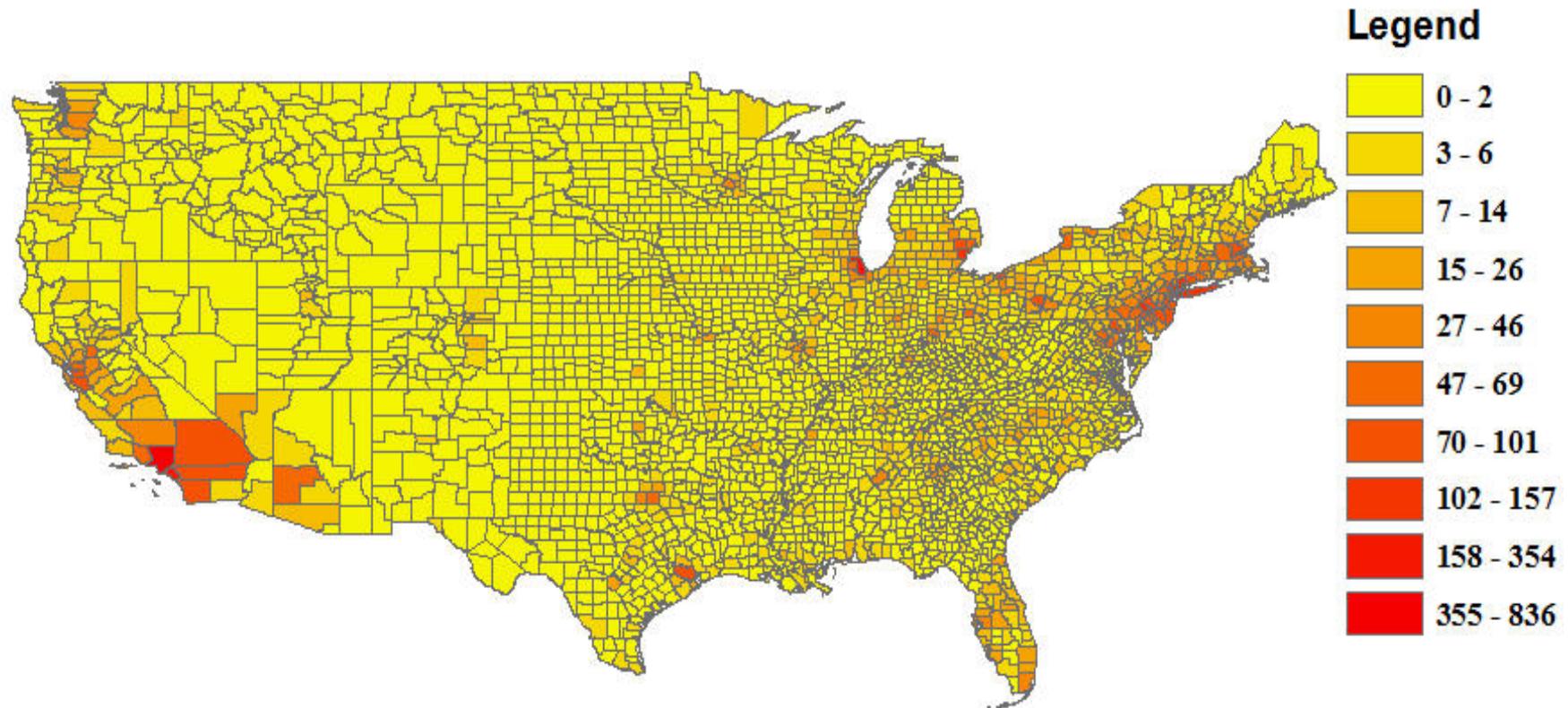


1. Leads to more rigorous slant vertical column comparison
2. Emphasizes altitudes where OMI is most sensitive
3. Facilitates eventual remote sensing assimilation in CMAQ

Project timeline and milestones



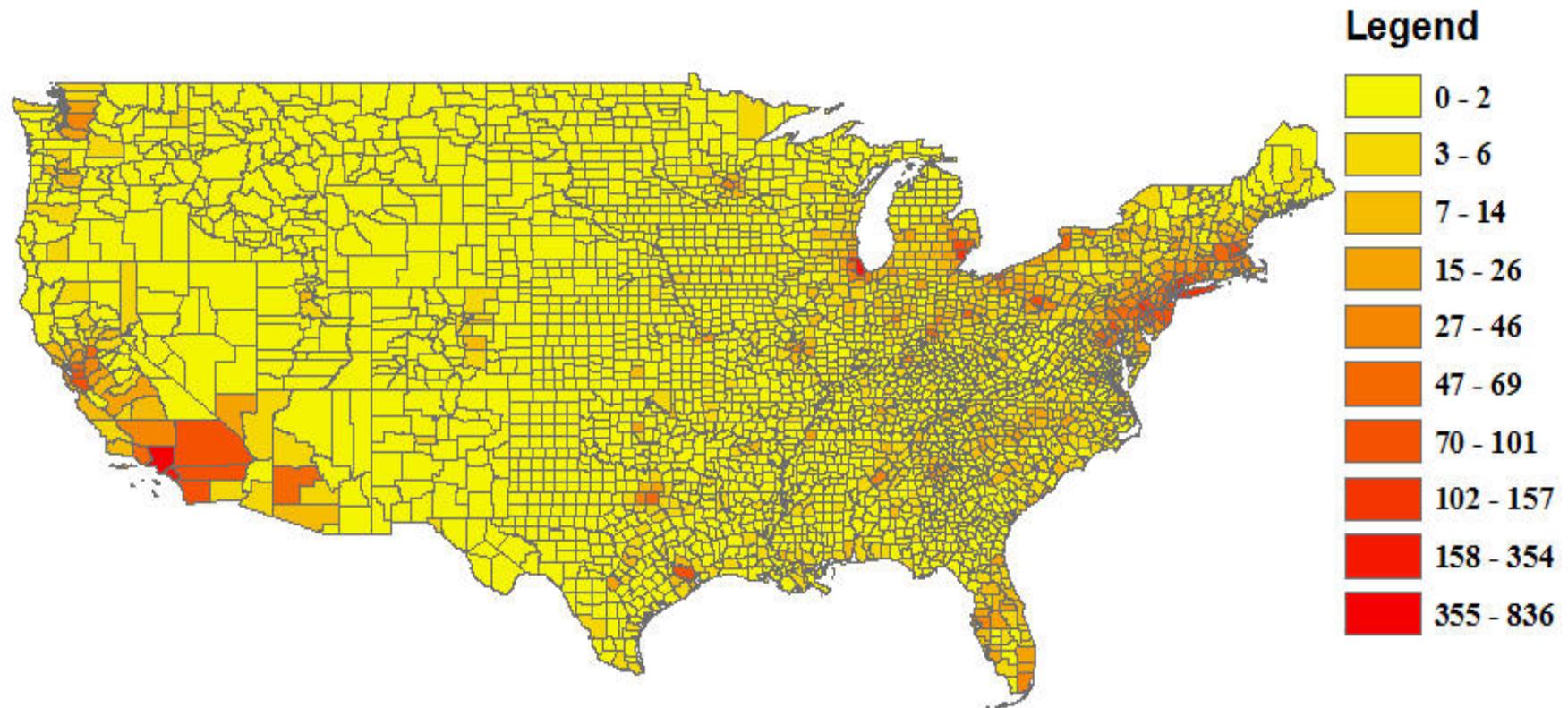
Health impacts of PM_{2.5}: mortality associated with black carbon (BC) in the US



National mortality related to BC exposure: Using the all-cause mortality risk estimate for PM_{2.5} among adults aged over 30 drawn from the Krewski et al (2009), we estimate (BenMAP) approximately 14,000 BC-related premature deaths to result from 2010 air quality levels.

Ying Li, Columbia U.

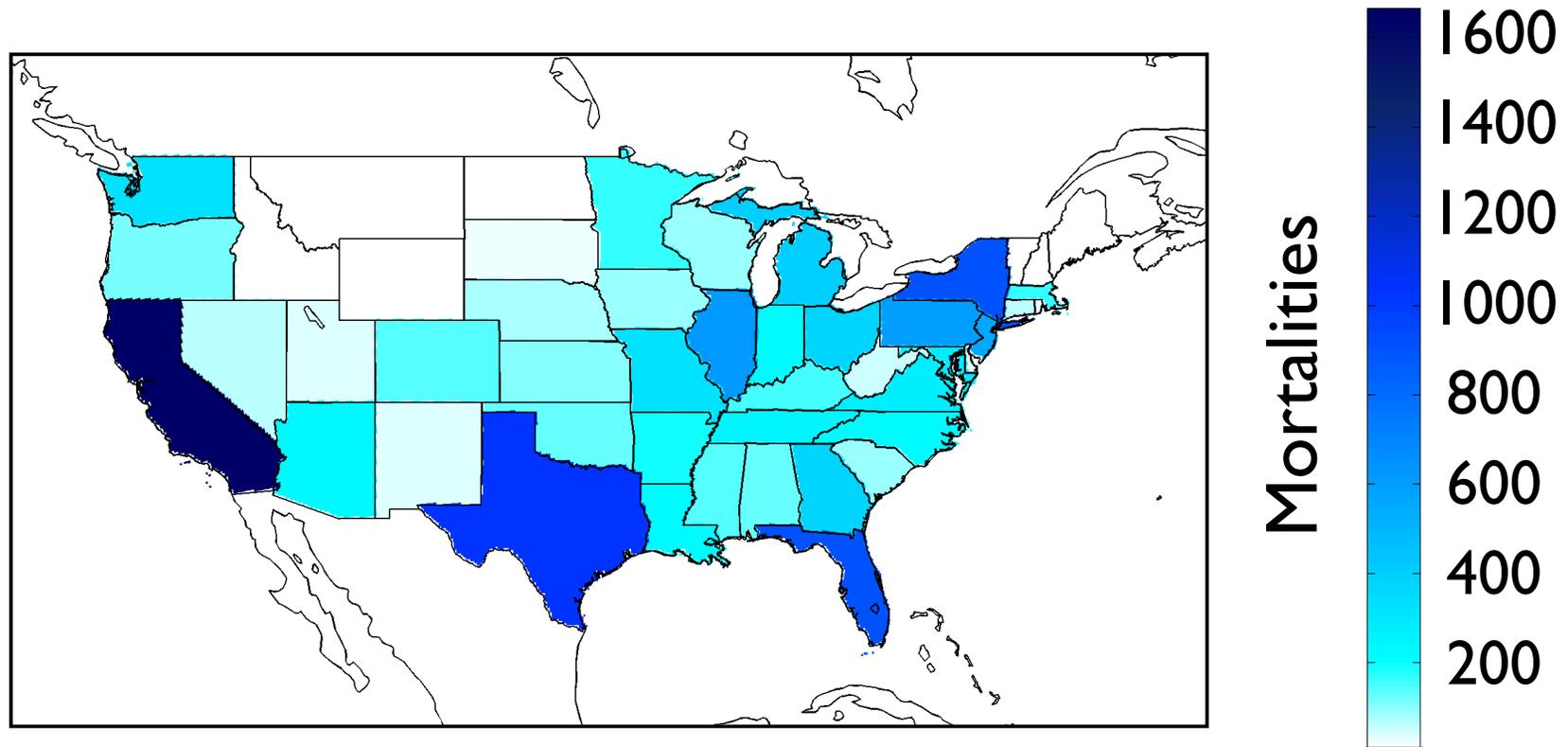
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National mortality related to BC exposure: Which emissions contribute the most to this health burden?

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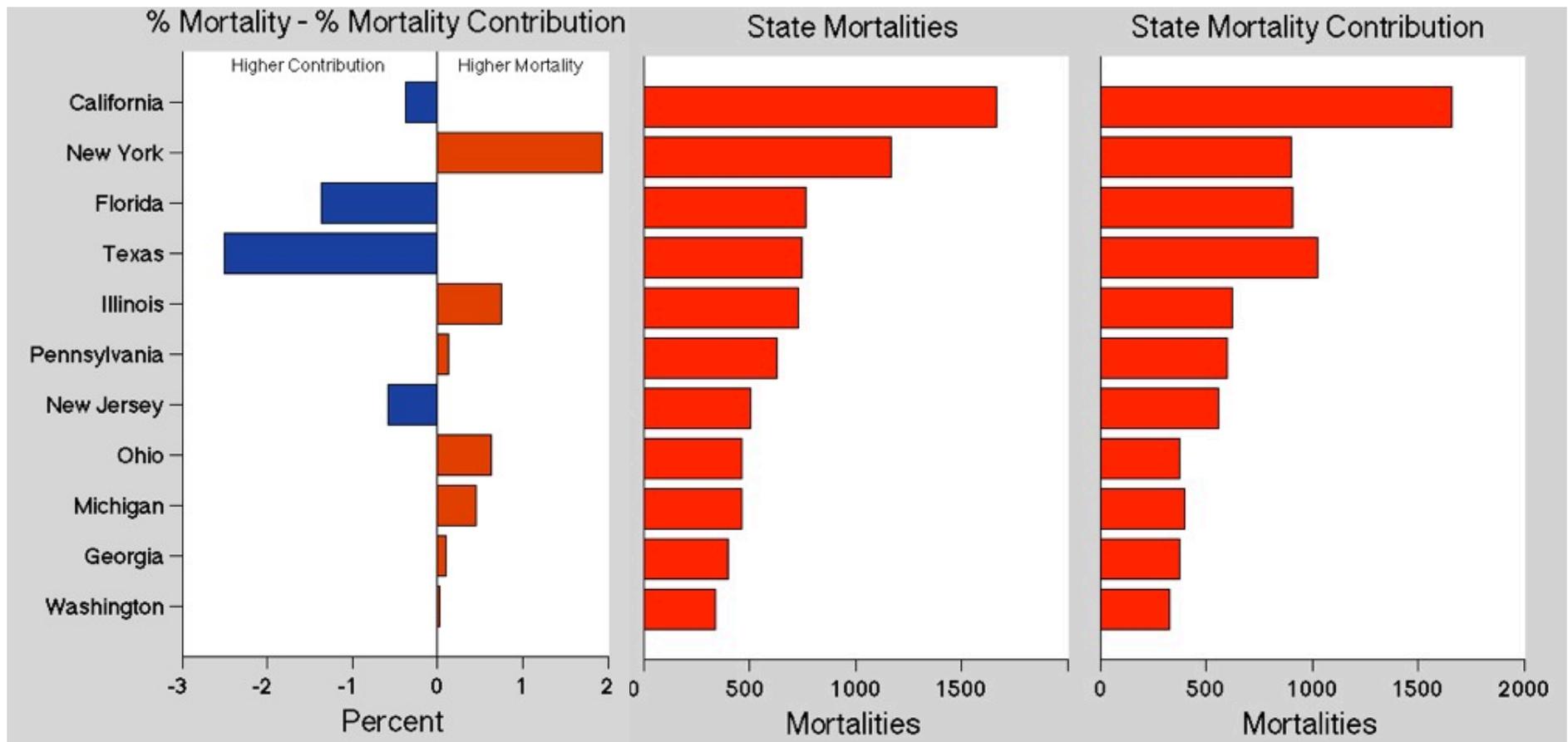
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Preliminary results based on June, Matt Turner CU Boulder

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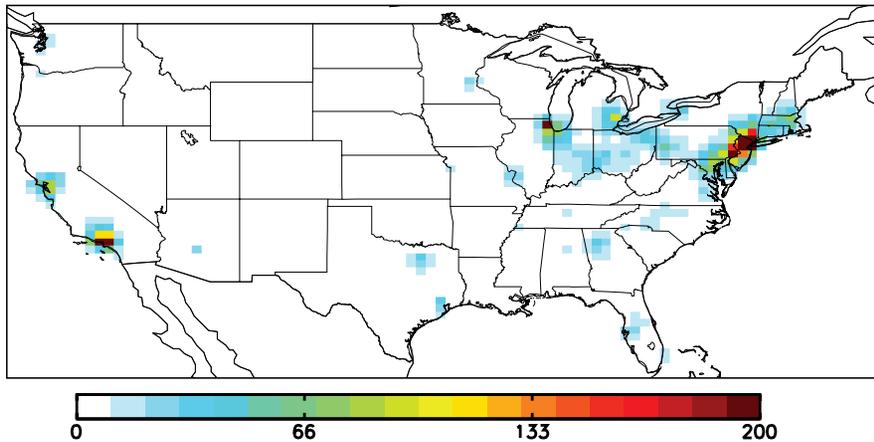
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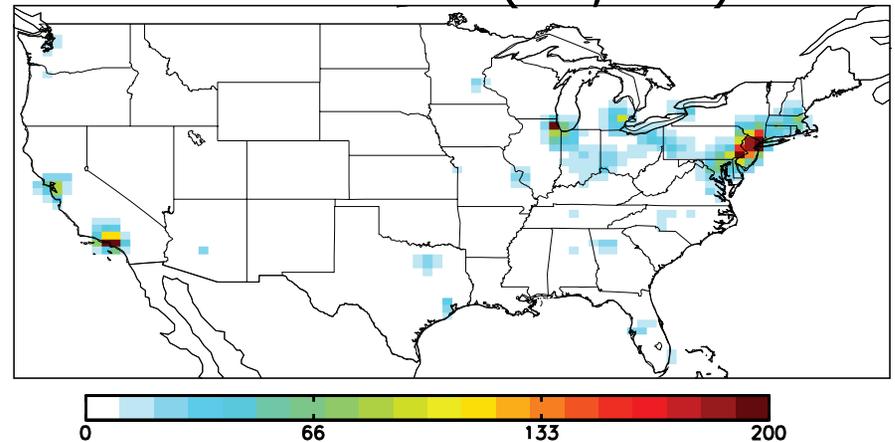
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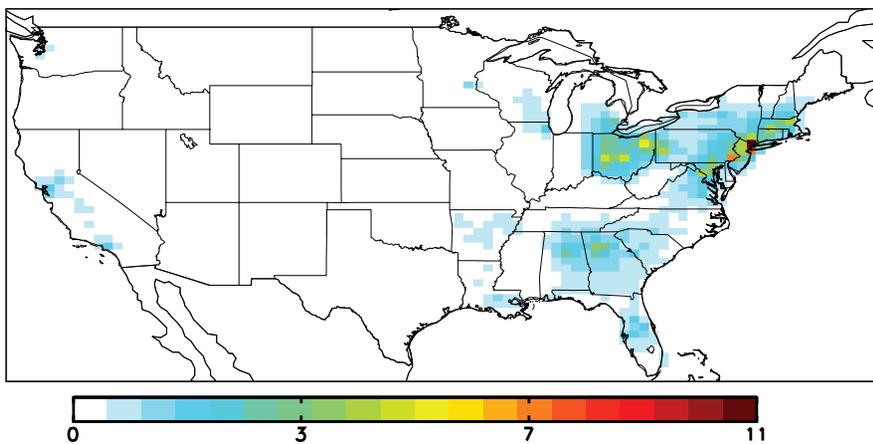
All sectors



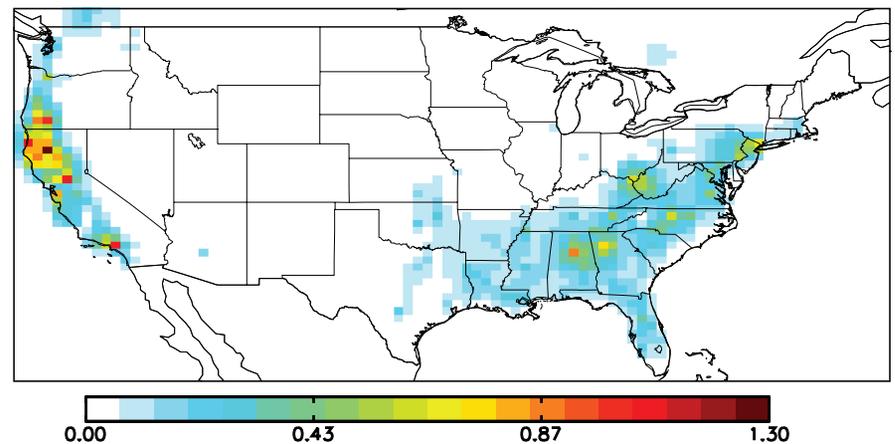
Fossil Fuel (12,600)



Biofuel (900)



Biomass Burning (200)

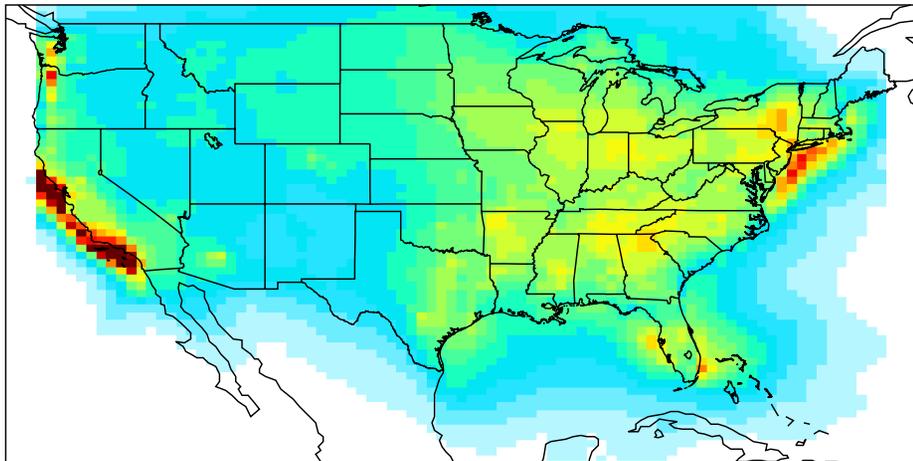


Annual mortalities from BC emissions in each grid cell

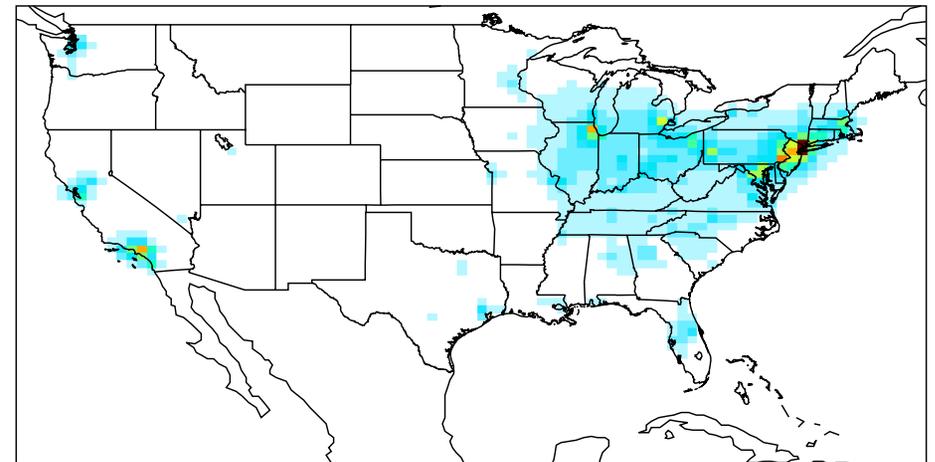
Health impacts of PM2.5: mortality costs of SO₂ and NH₃ sources in the US

Adjoint estimate of BC source contributions (GEOS-Chem 1/2° x 2/3°)

Surface SO₂



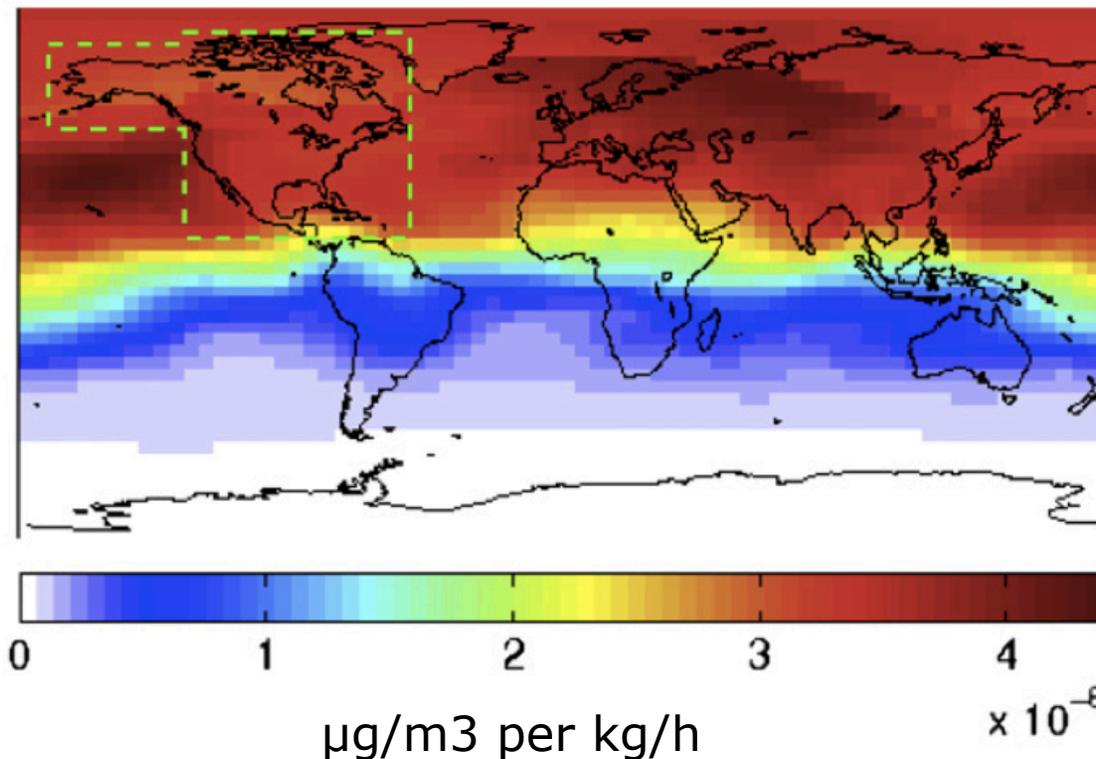
NH₃



- overall risk compare well to 130,000 / yr from Fann et al. (2012)
- mean \$/ton benefits similar to Fann et al. (2009) for SO₂
- much larger for NH₃

Source attribution of population-weighted PM concentrations

- Impacts of cruise-altitude NO_x emissions on NA surface PM



Impact by location:

- 1 kg NO_x @ 9 – 12km

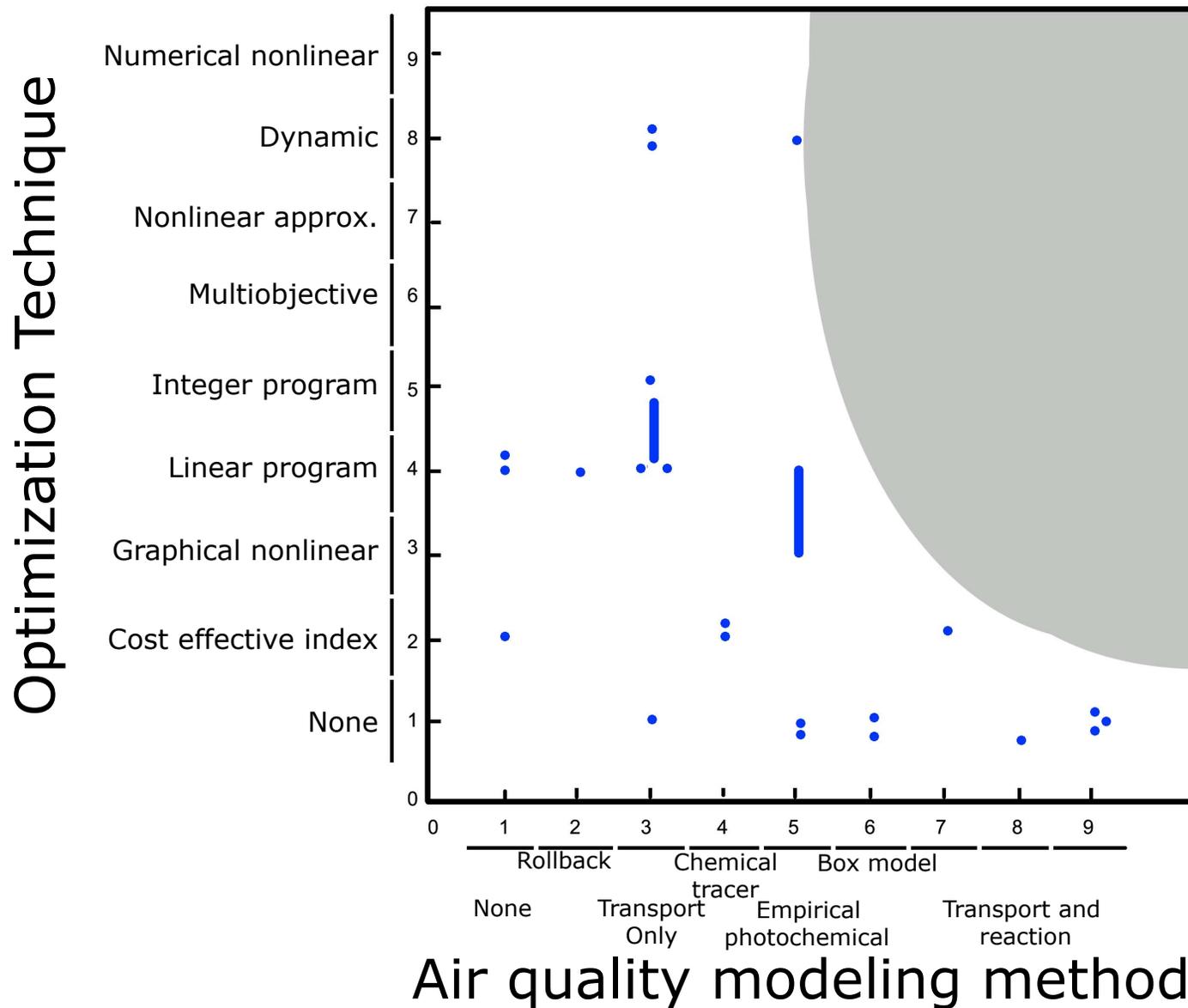
Total global impact on NA mortality:

- 320 (120, 580) deaths

Koo et al., *AE*, 2013

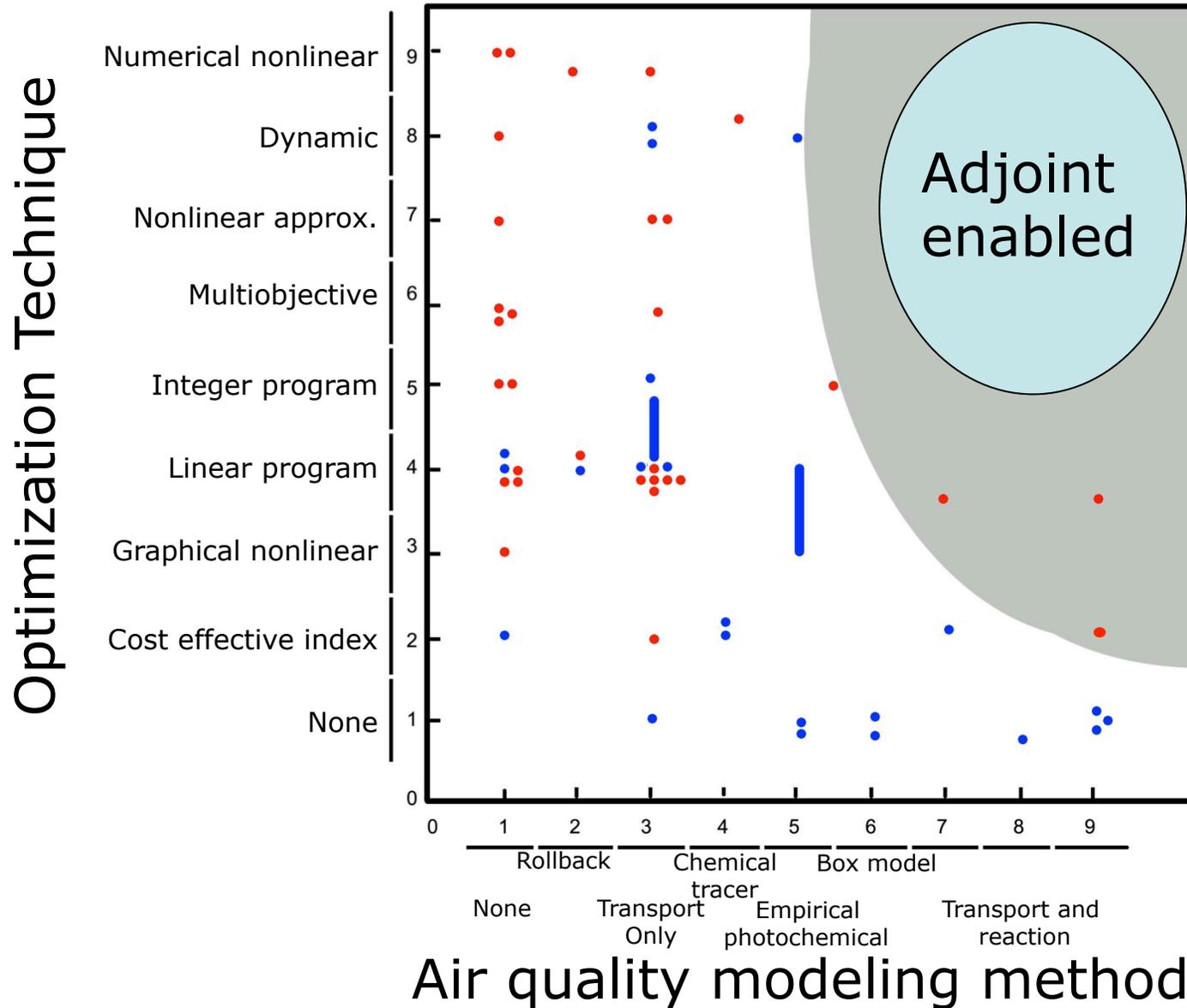
- Impacts of NO_x vs SO₂ vs NH₃ emissions on PM_{2.5} concentrations in China and India (Kharol et al., *GRL*, 2013)
 - NO_x plays a persistent role throughout the year

Optimal AQ control strategy design: past



McRae and Cass (1981)

Optimal AQ control strategy design: future

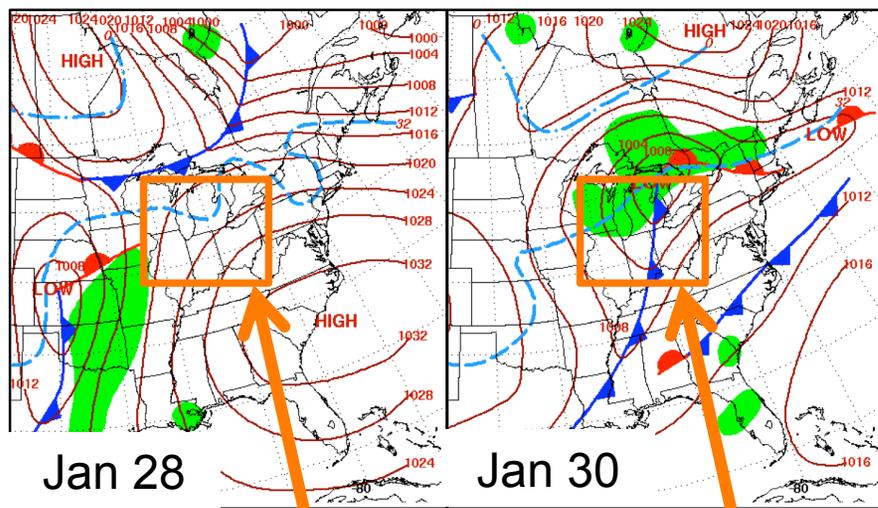


Air quality modeling method

Mesbah and Hakami (2011)

Rapid calculation of $PM_{2.5}$ response to 2000-2050 climate change in a suite of climate models

Step 1: Use principal component analysis (PCA) of to identify the dominant meteorological modes driving day-to-day $PM_{2.5}$ variability by region



High $PM_{2.5}$ day **Low $PM_{2.5}$ day**

Example of the meteorological conditions driving $PM_{2.5}$ in Midwest on two winter days in 2006.

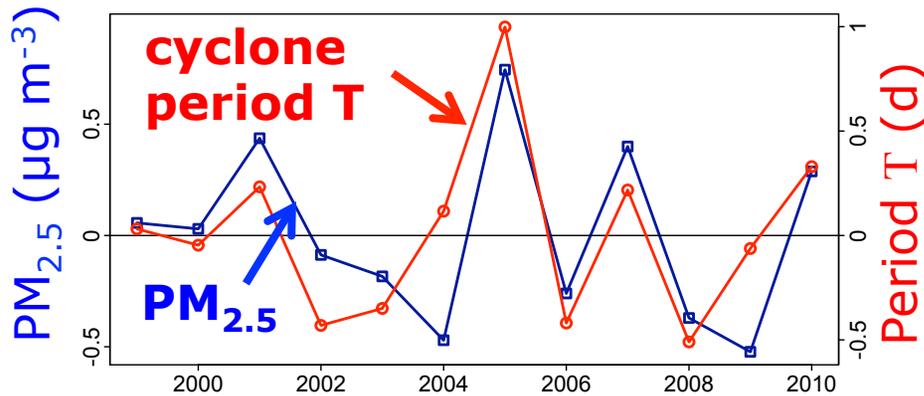
- High $PM_{2.5}$ on warm, dry day at tail end of anticyclone.
- Low $PM_{2.5}$ when cold front brings cool, moist air.

Main transport modes controlling $PM_{2.5}$ in the United States:

- Eastern US: mid-latitude cyclone and cold front passage
- Pacific coast: synoptic-scale maritime inflow

Tai et al., 2012

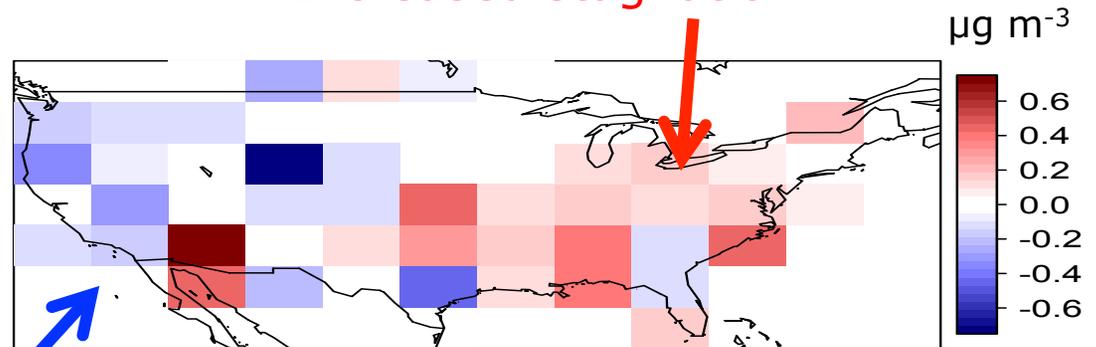
Step 2. Identify the dominant meteorological mode in each region whose mean period T is most strongly correlated with annual mean $PM_{2.5}$.



Example: Anomalies of the annual mean $PM_{2.5}$ and period of cyclone passage for US Midwest

Climate penalty:
Increased stagnation

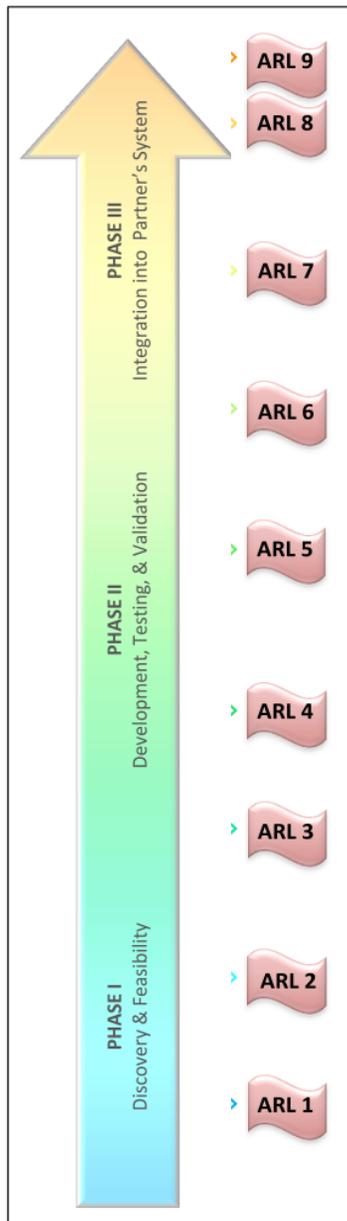
Step 3. Diagnose trends in these meteorological modes in an ensemble of climate output for 2000 to 2050. Apply observed $PM_{2.5}$ sensitivities ($dPM_{2.5}/dT$) to these trends.



Climate benefit:
Increased maritime flow

2000-2050 change in annual mean $PM_{2.5}$ diagnosed from a suite of climate models

Current and projected ARL

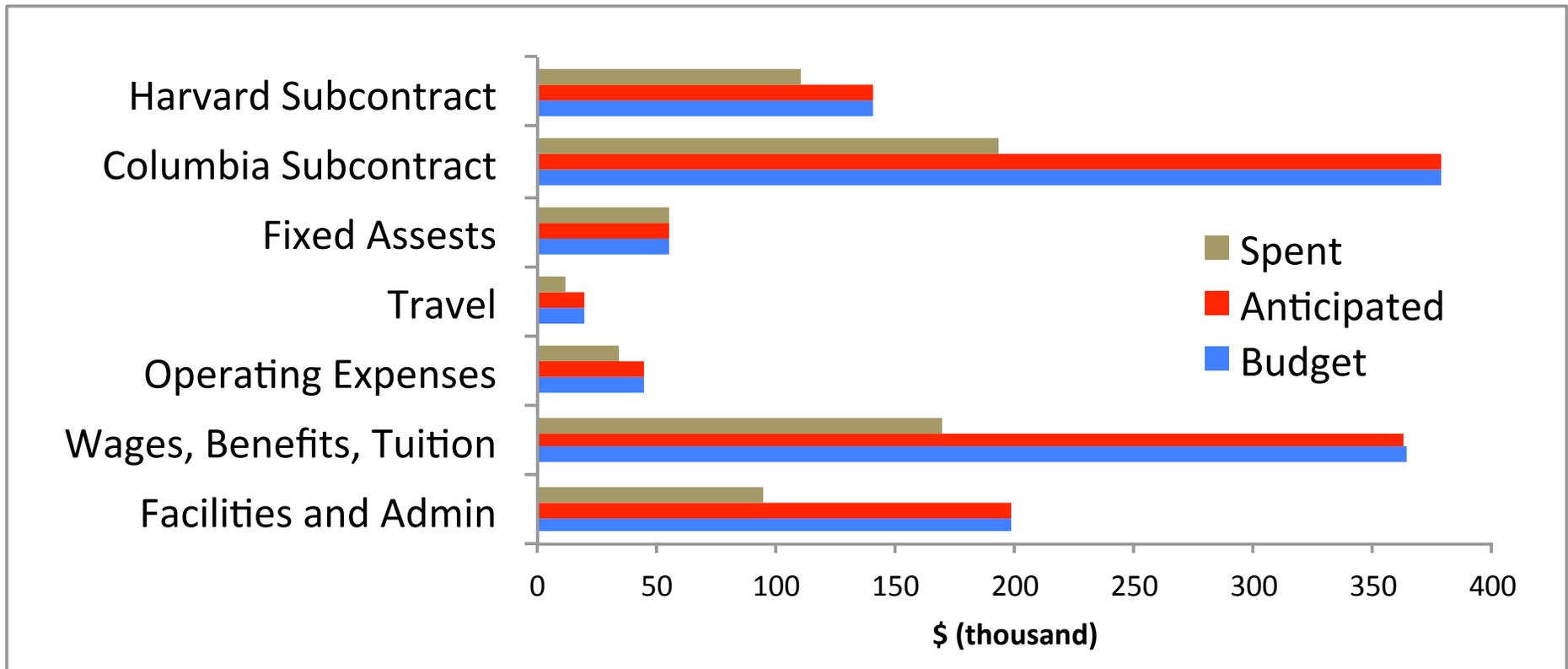


- Start of project ARL = 1 (08/01/2009)
- Current ARL = 6
 - Nested GEOS-Chem adjoint applied to estimate PM_{2.5} health related damages per ton of emission for each species, sector and grid-cell. Species-specific health impacts are being assessed at the county level for the year 2008.
 - Health impacts of BC emissions using CMAQ adjoint in progress.
 - GEOS-Chem NH₃ assimilation and CMAQ ozone adjoint being used by EPA AMD (Shannon Capps).
- Expected Ending ARL = 8 (Date)
 - Emissions constraints implemented in CMAQ and attainment analysis considered in EPA NAAQS review
- Final ARL with no cost extension = 8
 - Will prepare seasonal constraints on NH₃ emissions for incorporation into future National Emissions Inventory.

Recent and future milestones

Milestones	Deadline	Team	Status
NO ₂ assimilation operator for CMAQ	01/2011	US EPA	Complete
Model input data prepared for CMAQ 12 km analysis	08/2012	CU Boulder / US EPA	Complete
Remote sensing constraints on NH ₃	01/2013	CU Boulder	Complete
Adjoint-enabled satellite data assimilation and attainment analysis adopted at EPA	01/2013	US EPA	Complete
Forward model evaluation of aerosol health impacts	08/2013	Columbia U. / CU Boulder	Complete
Aerosol health impacts / attainment applied to PM _{2.5} NAAQS	08/2014	Columbia U. / CU Boulder	NCE
NO ₂ inverse modeling constraints in CMAQ	07/2014	CU Boulder	NCE
Climate impacts on PM _{2.5} attainment	08/2014	Harvard / CU Boulder	NCE

Obligations and cost status



- Harvard subcontract nearly completed
- Columbia subcontract will be exhausted by Feb, 2014; funding to support postdoc Ying Li , Co-PI Pak Kinney and Co-I Darby Jack
- CU Boulder funding proceeding for support of graduate students and PI. Facilities, Admin, and Op expenses track personnel expenditures.

Risks and Issues

- Management challenges
 - Challenge to hire / maintain personnel at EPA
 - Postdoc Shannon Capps there for 9 months using CMAQ adjoint & TES NH₃
 - Took time to hire postdocs / students in Henze group
 - After slow start, group now tackling all project areas.
- Technical risk
 - CMAQ adjoint still not stable
 - Complete inversions / attainment with GEOS-Chem; use CMAQ forward model for downscaling results.
 - TES NH₃ data challenges owing to sparse sampling
 - Consider IASI or AIRS products, which have poorer signal/noise but wider coverage
 - TES/OMI lifetime is limited
 - Consider CrIS, TROPOMI, GEO-CAPE for future remote sensing constraints on emissions
 - Driving GEOS-Chem with high resolution GISS climatology difficult
- Schedule risk: Low to medium
 - NAAQS review process at EPA a moving target

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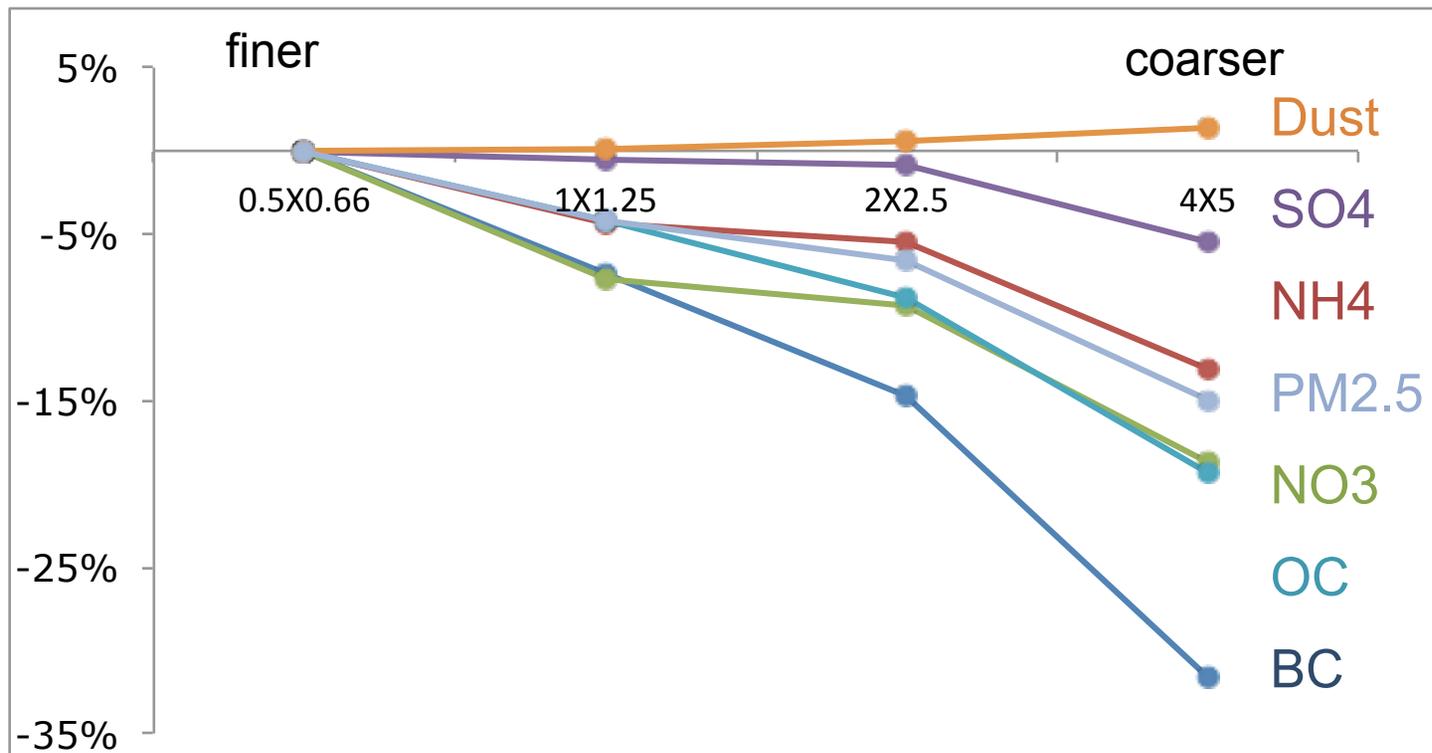
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bonus slides!

Health impacts of PM_{2.5}: impacts of black carbon (BC) in the US

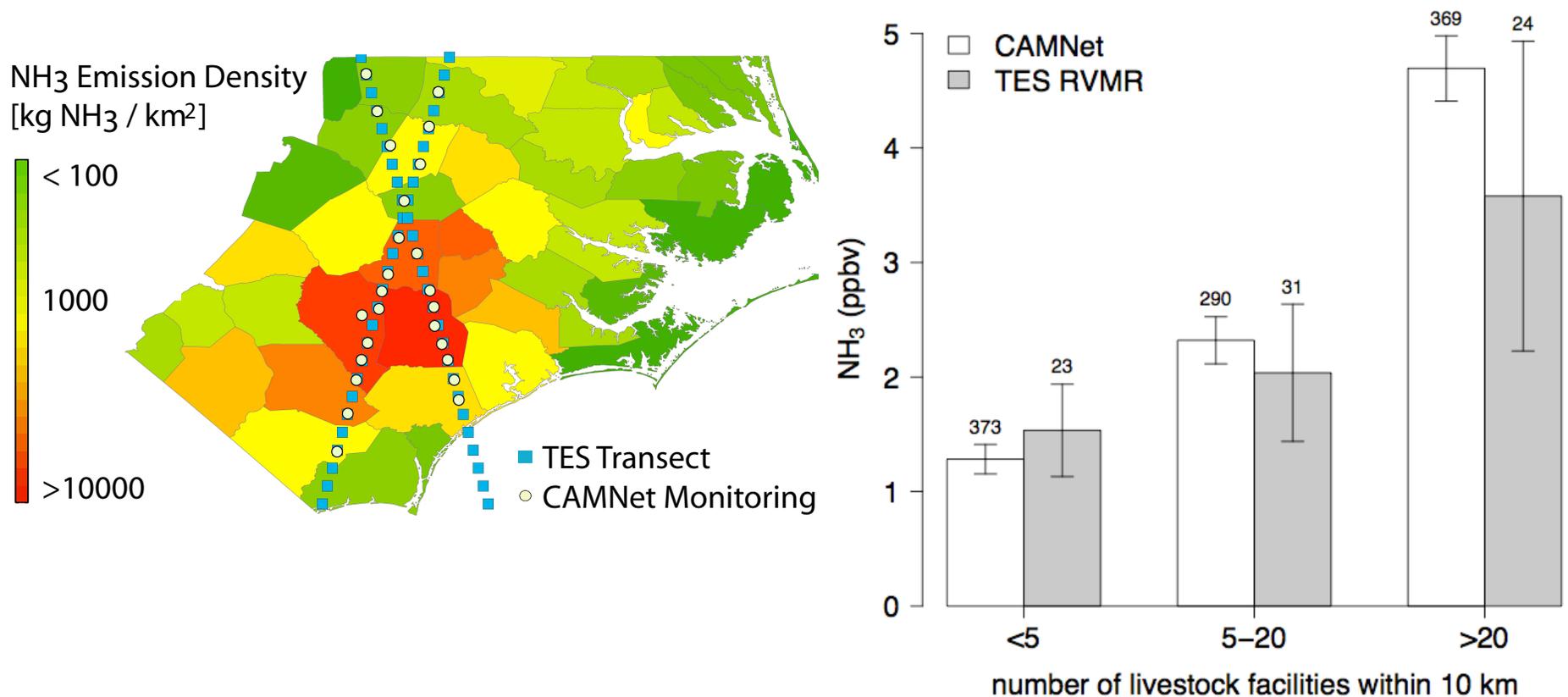
Error in estimating US PM_{2.5} associated mortality relative to finest simulation (Ying Li, Columbia U.):



- Greater resolution error for PM_{2.5} when using threshold (x2 w/5.8 ug/m³)
- Aggregated model values ≠ coarse simulation, but close (<0.3 ug/m³)
- Results similar, but less dramatic, than Pungler and West (2013)

Validating TES NH₃ with surface observations

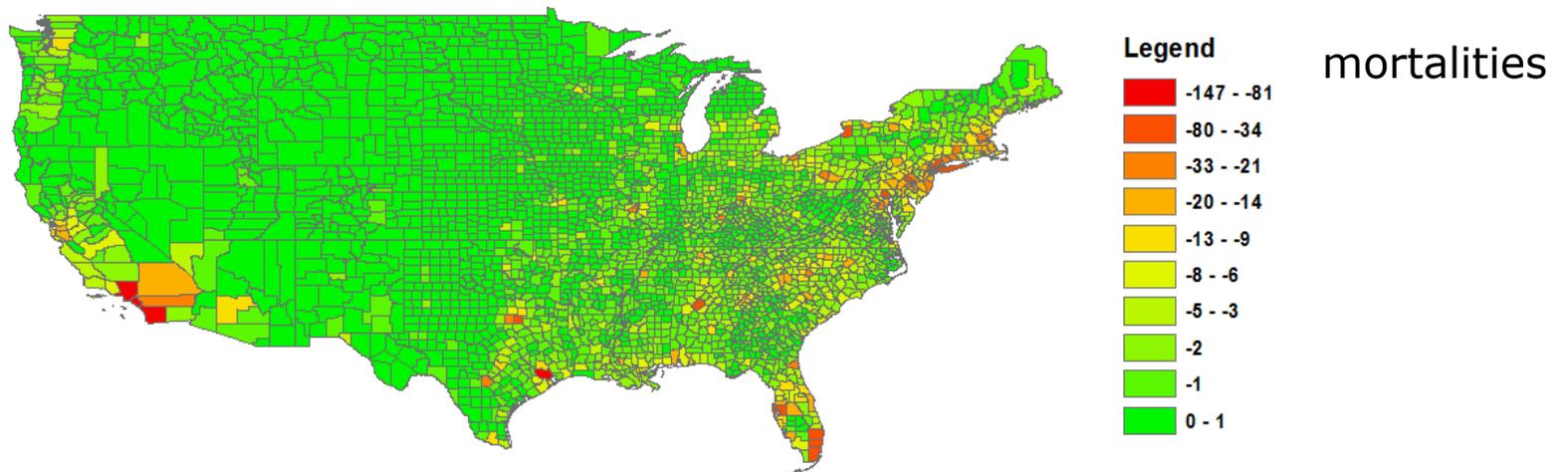
Overlap surface obs with TES Transects for 2009:



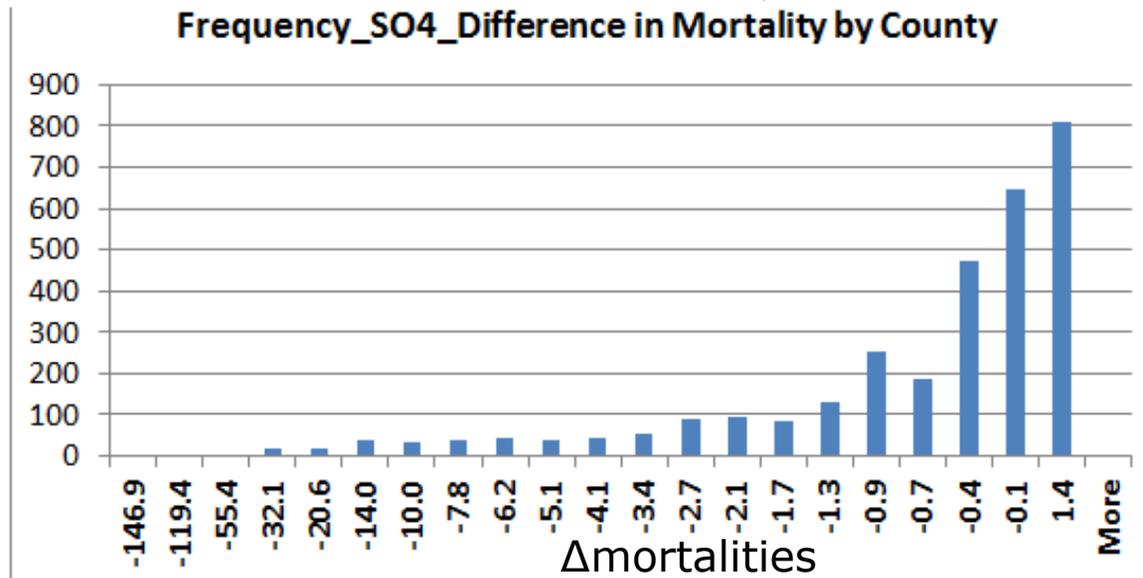
TES reflects real-world spatial gradients and seasonal trends

Resolution effects on model estimates of health impacts: US

GEOS-Chem 2x2.5 - GEOS-Chem 0.5 x 0.67: deaths from sulfate



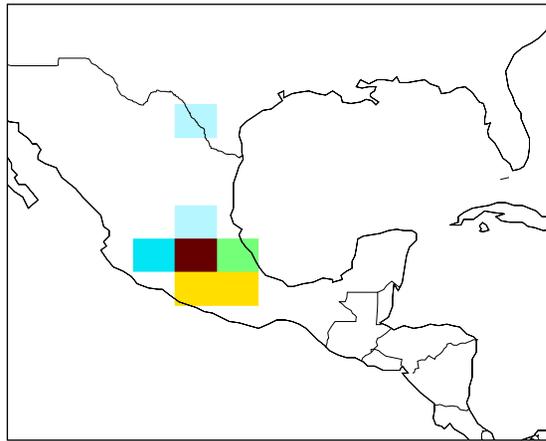
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Resolution effects on *response coefficients*: Mexico

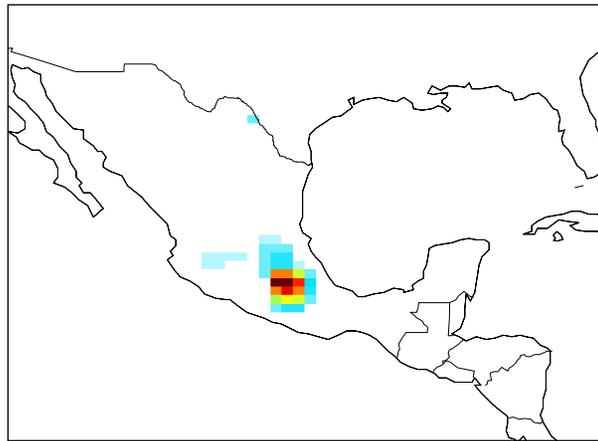
Contribution of SO₂ emissions per grid-box to Mexico's pop-PM_{2.5}:

coarse



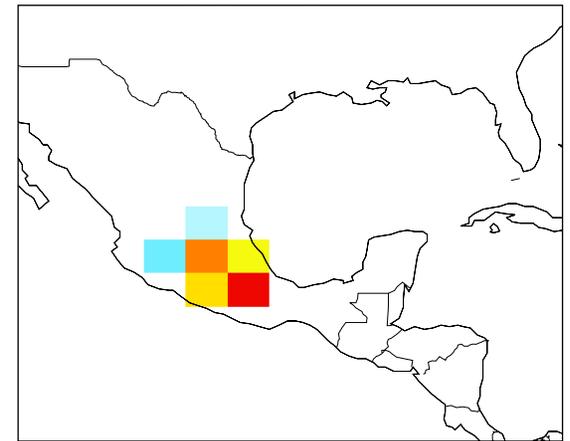
0.0 3.3% 6.7% 10%

fine



0.0 0.8% 1.6% 2.4%

fine aggregated

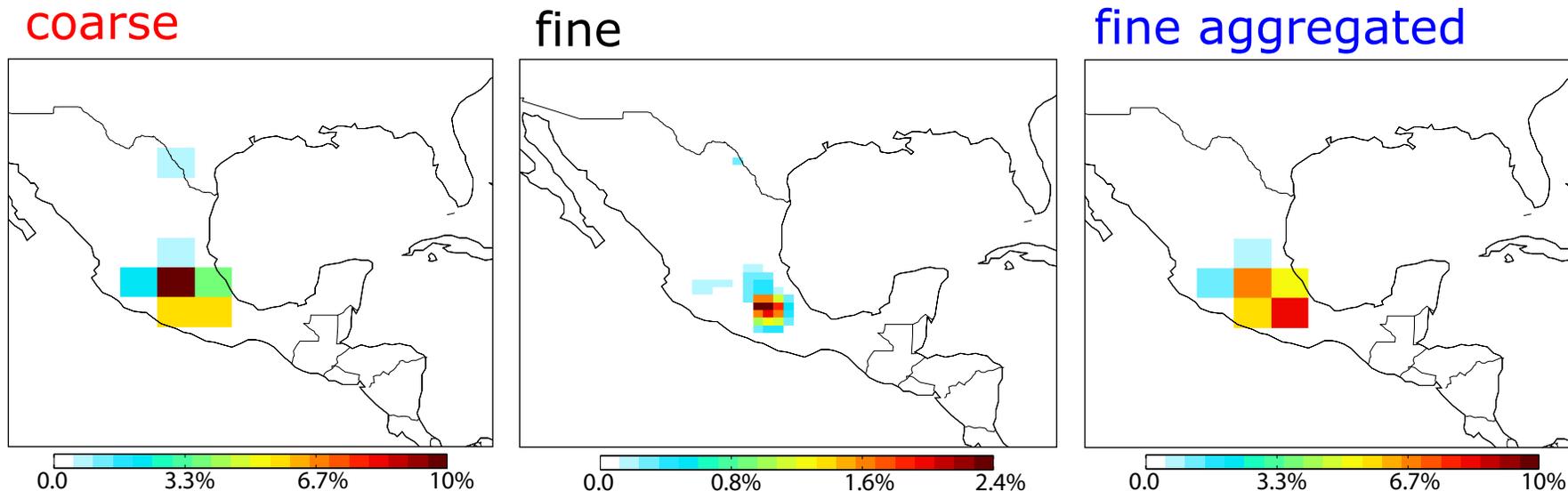


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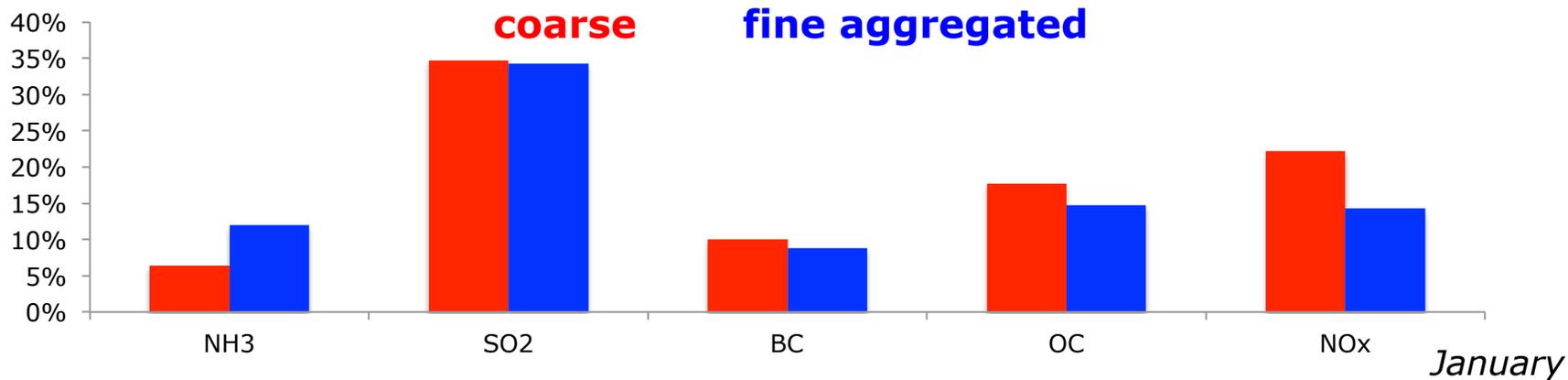
Coarse simulation overestimates impacts of emissions near urban center and underestimates in surrounding areas

Resolution effects on *response coefficients*: Mexico

Contribution of BC emissions per grid-box to Mexico's pop-PM_{2.5}:

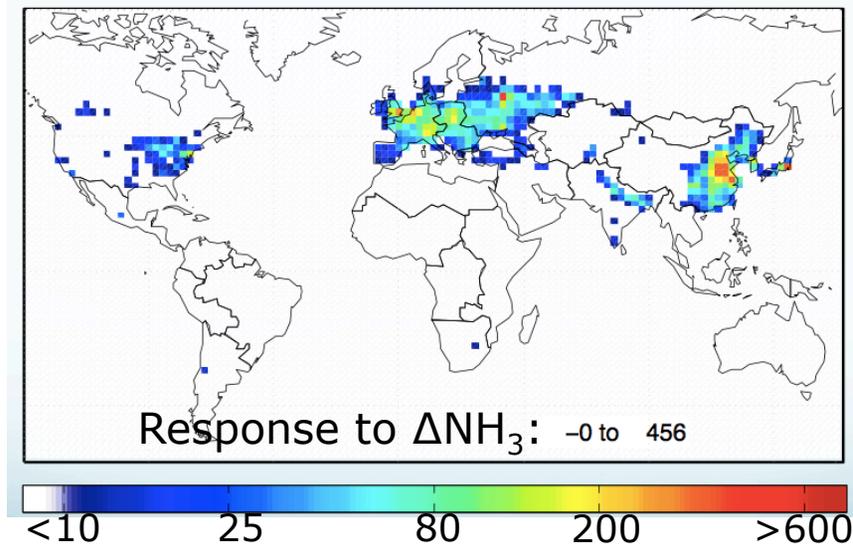


Total contribution of species to % of Mexico's pop-PM_{2.5}:



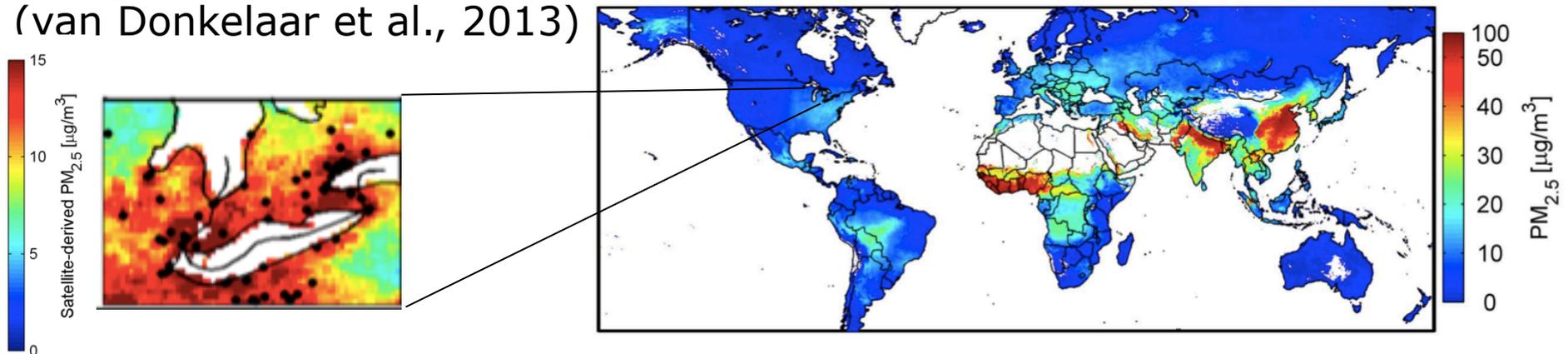
Source attribution of PM_{2.5} related global mortality

Mortality impacts owing to 10% PM_{2.5} precursor emissions reductions:

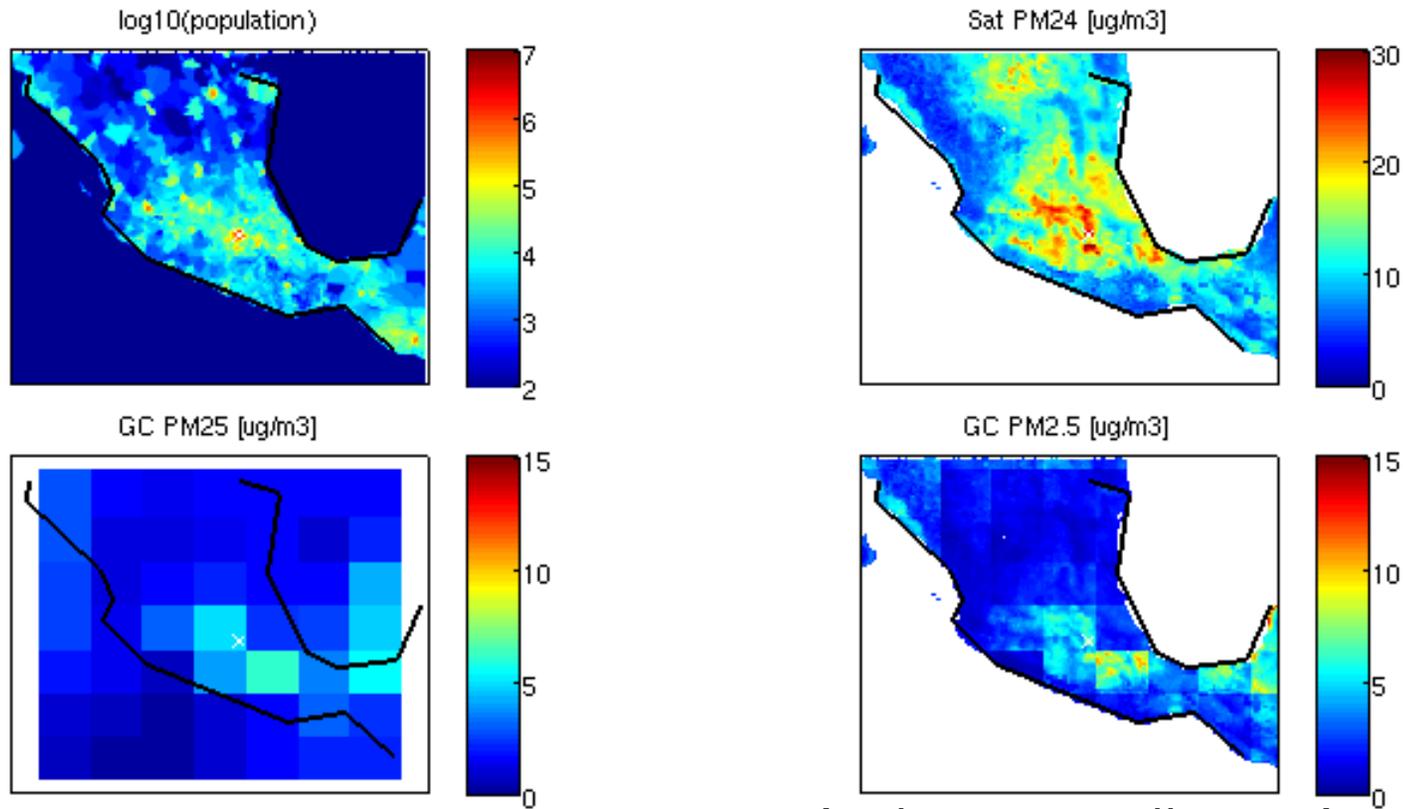


Mortality rates and dose-receptor relationships from Global Burden of Disease, GEOS-Chem adjoint at 2° x 2.5° (Colin Lee, Dalhousie).

PM_{2.5} subgrid variability (0.1° x 0.1°) resolved using MODIS AOD (van Donkelaar et al., 2013)



Impacts of sub-grid variability (MODIS) on SO₂ emissions global mortality response coefficients

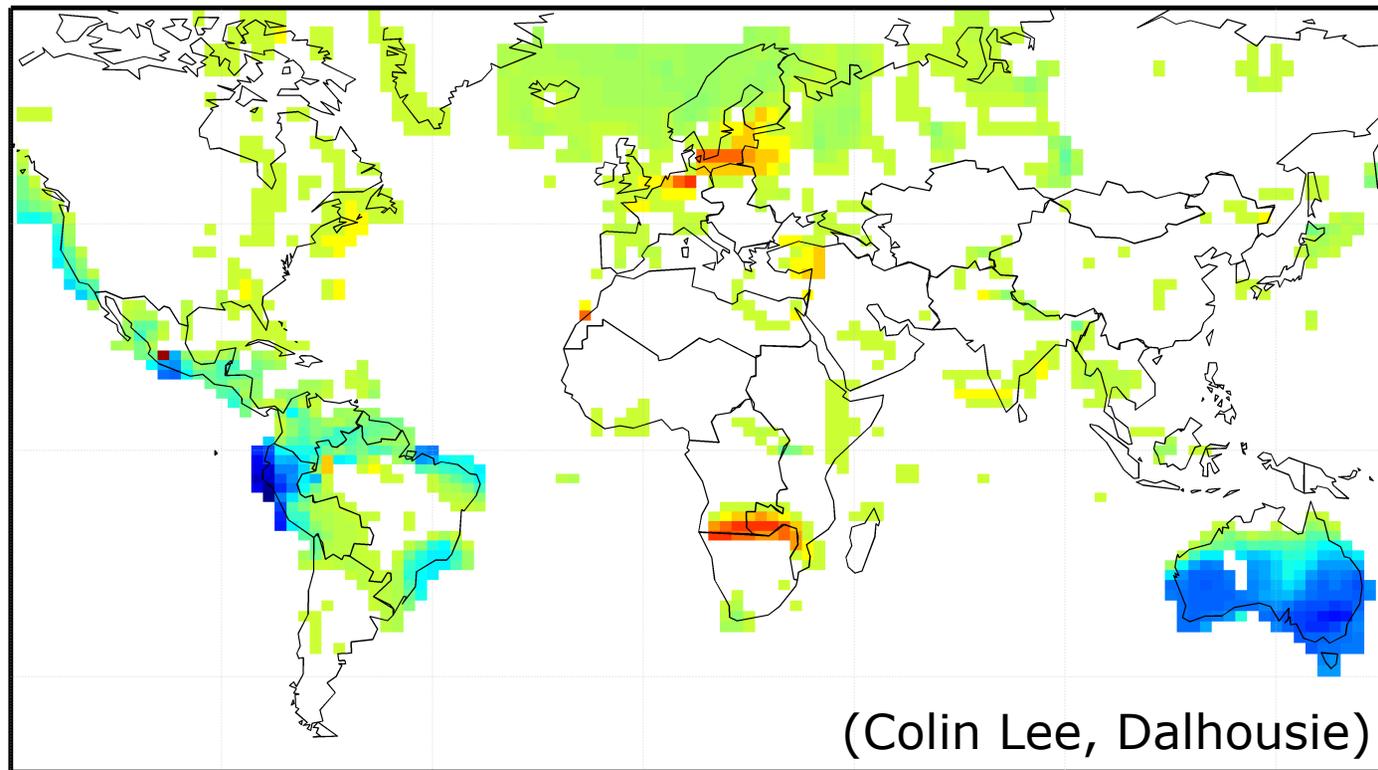


(Colin Lee, Dalhousie)

- GEOS-Chem subgrid variability determined by satellite
- GEOS-Chem values retained
- GEOS-Chem values clearly very low

Impacts of sub-grid variability (MODIS) on SO₂ emissions global mortality response coefficients

\log_{10} (with downscaling / without)

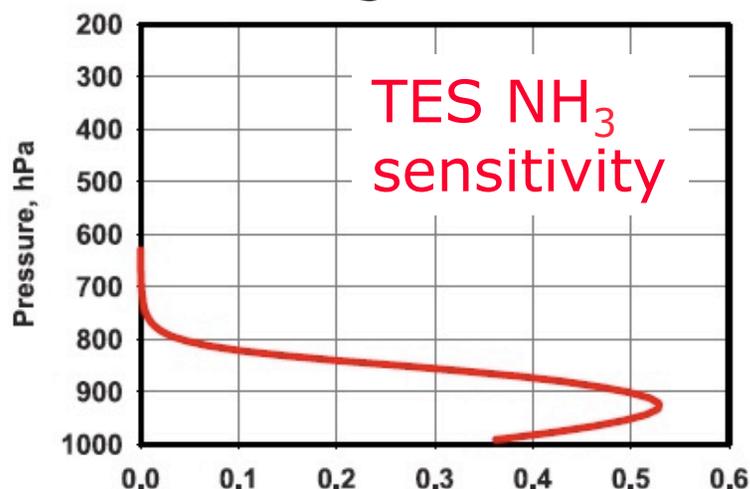


Impacts of resolution can be dramatic, increasing or decreasing, and depend upon environmental condition.

Remote sensing constraints on NH₃

NH₃ is important for understanding PM_{2.5} and Nr dep but sources are not well constrained.

Remote sensing with TES and IASI:



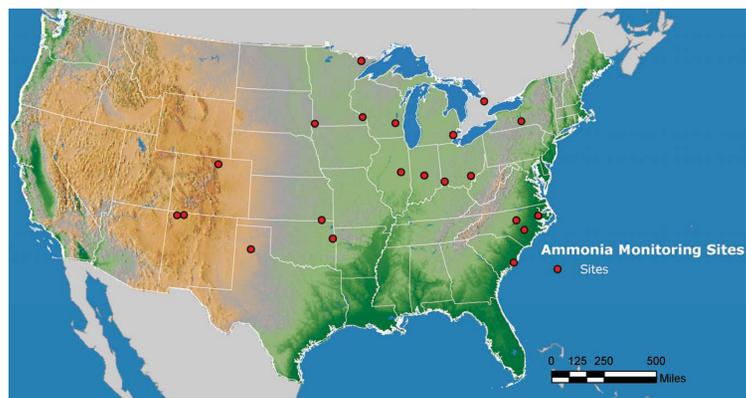
TES:

- sensitive to BL
- detection limit of ~ 1 ppb
- bias of +0.5 ppb

more precise & sparse than IASI

(Beer et al., 2008; Clarisse et al., 2009; Clarisse et al., 2010; Shephard et al., 2011)

Passive surface measurements:

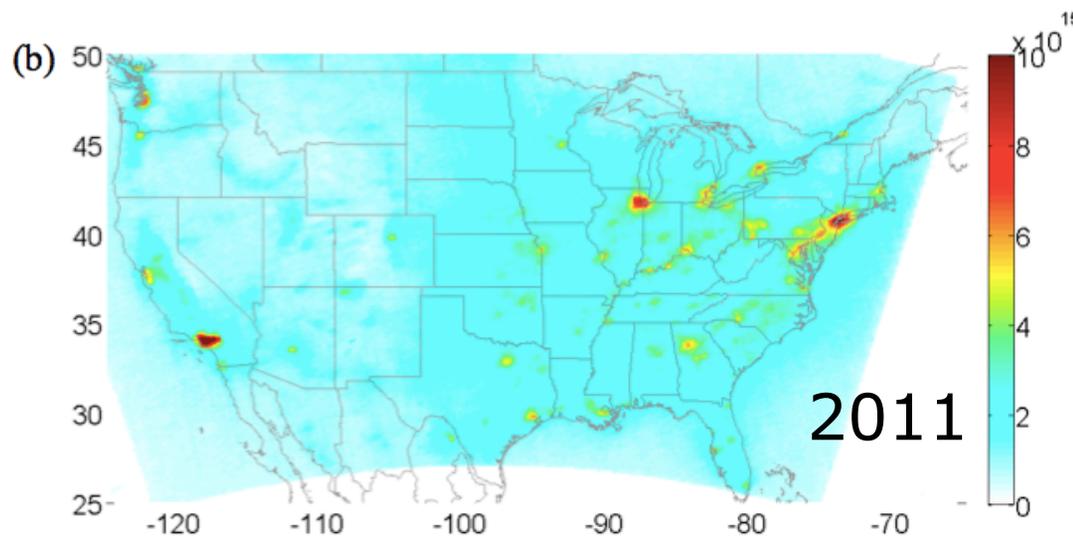
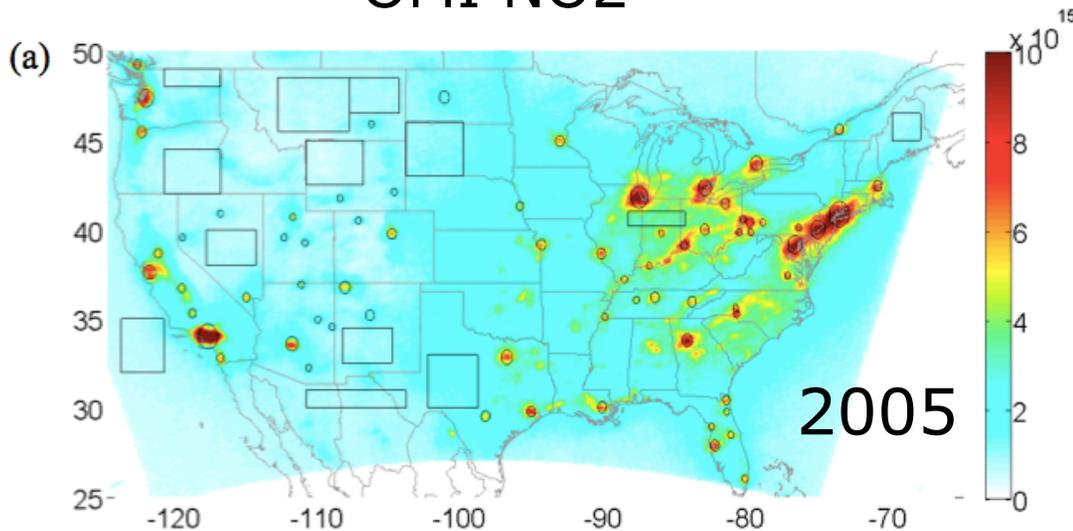


EPA's AMoN sites (>2007)
(Puchalski et al., 2011)

Also LADCO, SEARCH, CSU, ANARChE

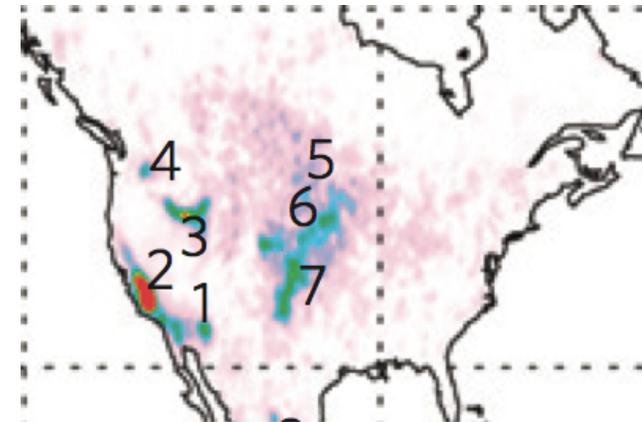
Remote sensing of PM_{2.5} precursors

OMI NO₂



Russell et al., 2012

NH₃



Clarisse et al., 2009

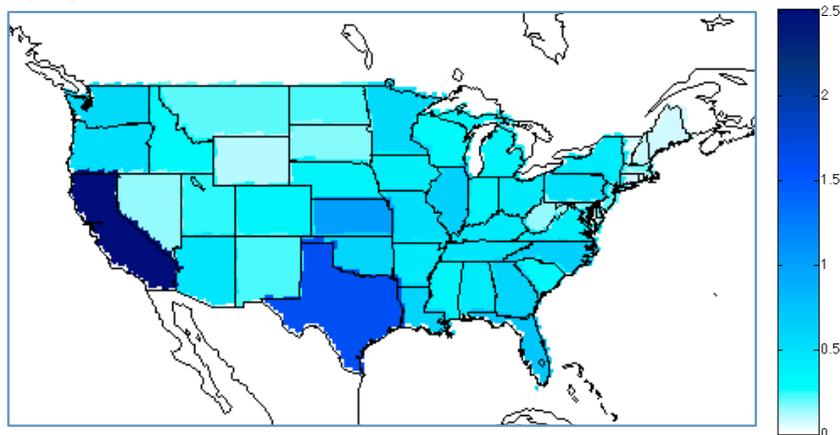
PM_{2.5} AQ model simulations undermined by emissions uncertainties.

How to use remote sensing to constrain emissions?

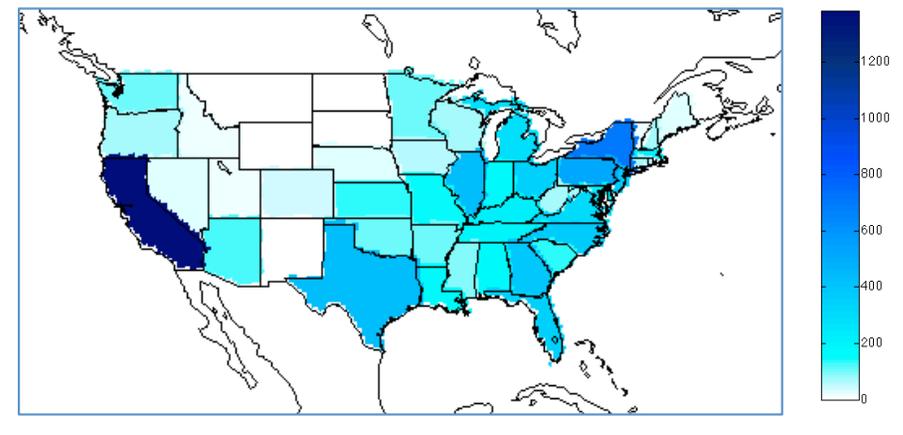
Milestone #3: Source attribution of aerosol related health impacts

Sensitivity of U.S. BC related mortalities to emissions estimated in CMAQ for April, 2008

(a) Emissions



(b) Contributions to mortality

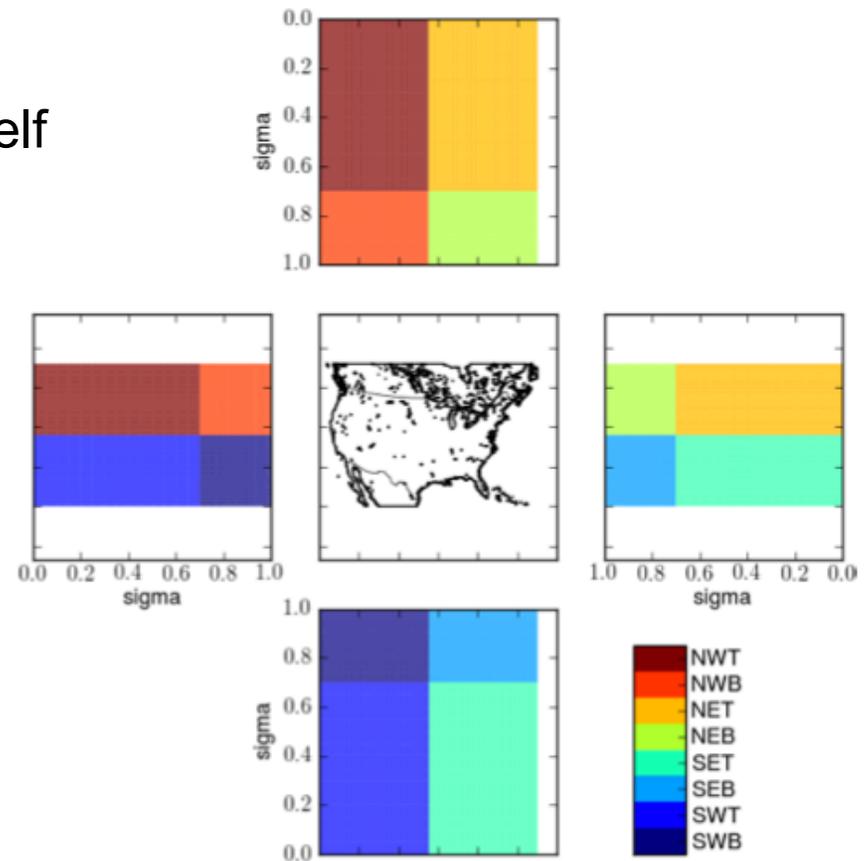
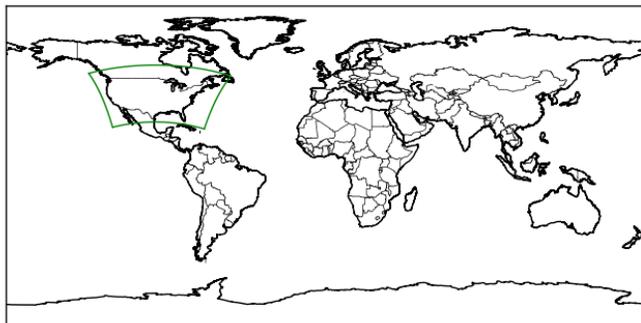


Adjoint sensitivities reveal differences between locations with the highest emissions (Fig a) and locations where emissions have the largest impact on health (Fig b)

Instrumented AQ modeling: boundary sensitivity case study (in collaboration with EPA AMD)

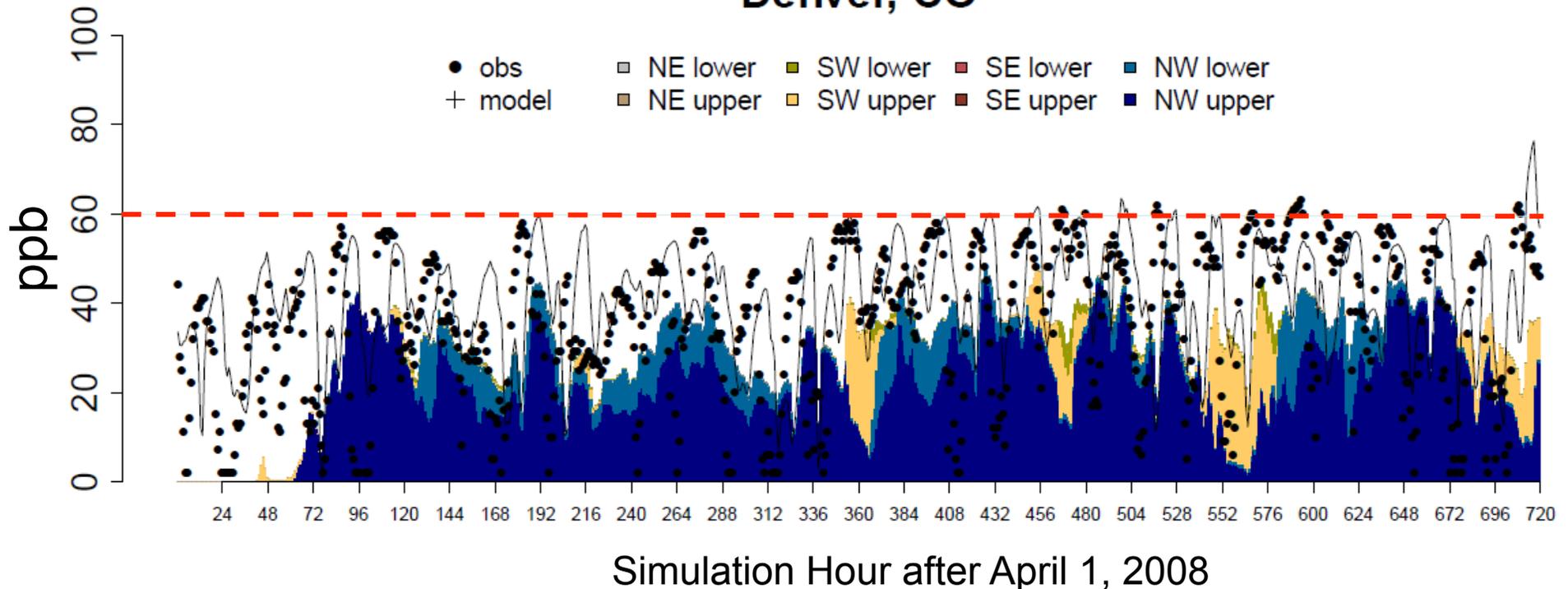
- Designation of “background O₃” important for potential revisions to O₃ standards (e.g., Zhang et al., 2011; Lin et al., 2012)
- Oltmans et al. (2010): episode of high influence of international transport on ozone over western North America during April, 2008.
- CMAQ uses GEOS-Chem boundary conditions – where does that ozone itself come from?

GC adjoint calculations to define boundary subregions:



Denver O₃ sensitivity to boundary O₃ concentrations

Denver, CO

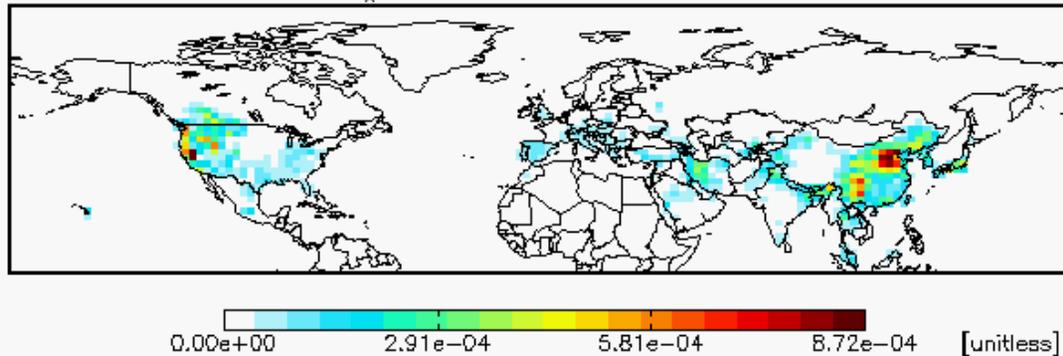


Ozone concentrations are most sensitive to O₃ concentrations at the Northwestern boundaries, primarily the upper boundary.

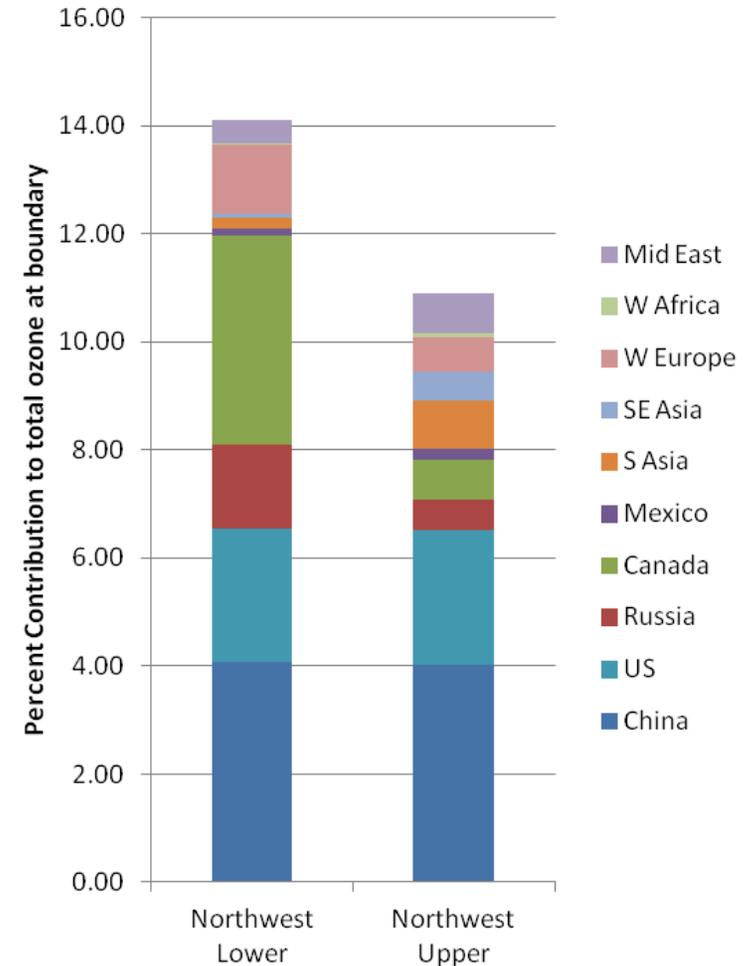
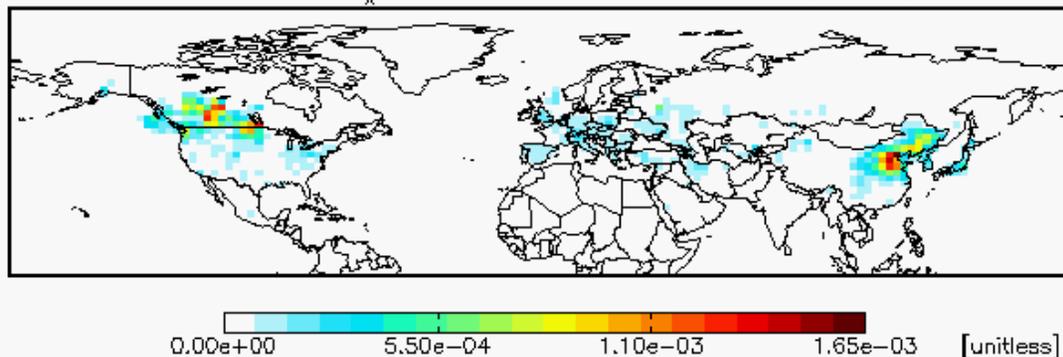
**-NOTE: Results are specific to period of high ozone transport and should not be extrapolated to other times or seasons*

Northwest O₃ sensitivity to global NO_x emissions

Influences on total O₃ at NW upper boundary



Influences on O₃ at NW lower boundary



Northwest boundaries are impacted by China, United States, Russia, and Canada.

