

From RAMS to BRAMS and beyond

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RAMS origin: Colorado State University -

William Cotton - Greg Tripoli: end 70's early 80's

- ***Cloud Microphysics***

- ***Cloud Dynamics***

- ***LES***

- ***Meso-scale Model - Roger Pielke - Virginia University***

- ***Fusion of both models => RAMS (Regional Atmospheric Modeling System)***

Mesoscale Modeling at IAG/USP

- *1980's - role of sea-breeze in São Paulo - regional climate - impact of air pollution => lead to fairly complex physics - urban processes, vegetation, topography (numerical challenges)*
- *Fundamental problem: lack of computer power*
- *Theoretical studies (80's) - instability lines - heat sources*
- *Late 80's - Elmar Reiter's PE model hydrostatic used at CPTEC and USP*
- *Semi-lagrangian models with CPTEC: remote impact of hurricanes ;*
- *Andes effect: blocking effect – eta-like coordinate, role of LLJ 's*

- Computer power limitation -> more emphasis on *observational studies*;

- RADASP (IPMET-UNESP/USP/INPE): July/81, Jan/Fev 82 ,Jan/89: PBL and convection - mesoscale systems; local circulations in São Paulo - Tiete River breeze – coastal breeze – heat island

- ABLE 2a (1985) e 2b (1987) = > atmospheric chemistry - Amazon, biomass burning

- ABRACOS (land use change) - FLUAMAZON ---> LBA (93)

- ABLE is a turning point: beginning of integrated model activities - concept of tracers (radon, CO, aerosols); Beginning of trajectory analysis, aerosol impact on radiation

- ABLE lead to more observational studies on urban aerosols and urban chemistry in the late 90's (with IFUSP, IQUSP and INPE); FAPESP thematic project 97-2002....

- *At the end of the 80 's (CONVEX computer at USP - vector and 2 processors);*
- *Falling behind modeling activities....*
- *Decision: use a complete model and work on modules:*
 - *MM5, JMA mesoscale model,...RAMS?*
- *1989: Bill Cotton visits FUNCEME, CPTEC e USP;*
- *Decision: implement RAMS.*
- ***Strong connection with observational work: model validation (ABRACOS, LBA) and latter a strong connection with urban air quality issues;***
- *1995 - beginning of regional forecasting - 40km resolution regional domains for S/SE Brazil (CPTEC at this time ran ETA at 80km over South America); IBM SP2 with 16 processors in 1997 - boosts operational capability - CPTEC seasonal climate downscaling in 1999.*

- *Modeling with RAMS: hurricanes, local circulation in São Paulo, São Francisco Valley, NE Brazil, Instability lines in the Amazon, intense cyclones, land use change, impact of pollution sources, convective parameterizations; vegetation (SIB)....*
- *Parallelism: end of the 90's -> FINEP project (hardware - PC cluster) - CPTEC role;*
- *Large number of students - > use of RAMS spread to several universities in Brazil (UFRJ, UFCG, FURGS, UFPA, UFSM...)*
- *FUNCEME begins operational use of RAMS for climate downscaling and weather forecasting*
- *SIMEPAR - surface data assimilation (FINEP);*

FINEP – BRAMS - late 90's/early 2000's

(Brazilian Developments in RAMS)

- *Version 3.0*
 - *Based on RAMS 5.04 - ASTER*
 - *Maintained by CPTEC*
 - *New Functionalities:*
 - *Shallow Cumulus*
 - *Deep Cumulus – “Grell-Ensemble”*
 - *Soil Moisture Initialization*
 - *SIB2 in addition to LEAF*
 - *Surface data assimilation with data quality control*
 - *CATT – biomass burning emission module and transport (plus urban sources).*

Final Goal : Environmental Prediction Model - late 90/s

$$\frac{\partial X_a}{\partial t} + L_a X_a = N_a(X_a, X_o, X_v, X_c, X_s) + F_a(X_a, X_o, X_v, X_c, X_s) \quad \text{atmosfera}$$

$$\frac{\partial X_o}{\partial t} + L_o X_o = N_o(X_a, X_o, \dots, X_c, X_s) + F_o(X_a, X_o, \dots, X_c, X_s) \quad \text{oceano}$$

$$\frac{\partial X_s}{\partial t} + L_s X_s = N_s(X_a, \dots, X_v, X_c, X_s) + F_s(X_a, \dots, X_v, X_c, X_s) \quad \text{solo}$$

$$\frac{\partial X_v}{\partial t} + L_v X_v = N_v(X_a, \dots, X_v, X_c, X_s) + F_v(X_a, \dots, X_v, X_c, X_s) \quad \text{vegetação}$$

$$\frac{\partial X_c}{\partial t} + L_c X_c = N_c(X_a, X_o, X_v, X_c, X_s) + F_c(X_a, X_o, X_v, X_c, X_s) \quad \text{constituintes}$$

$$X_a = (u, v, w, T, q_v, q_l, q_r, q_i, \dots)$$

$$X_o = (u, v, w, T, s_v, \dots)$$

$$X_s = (T^i_s, W^i_s, N^i_n, \dots)$$

$$X_v = (lai^i, sig^i_v, root^i_d, stom^i_c, VOC^i, C^i, N_i, \dots)$$

$$X_c = (CO_2, CH_4, O_3, NO_x, VOC's, SO_2, \dots)$$

BRAMSNET

- *Network of BRAMS users and developers*
 - *Inicial partners:*
 - *UFCG*
 - *UFRJ*
 - *CPTEC*
 - *USP*
 - *SOMAR*
 - *ITAUTEC*
 - *FURG*

GBRAMS - GRID - UFRGS, CPTEC, IAG - climate applications

Other implementations:

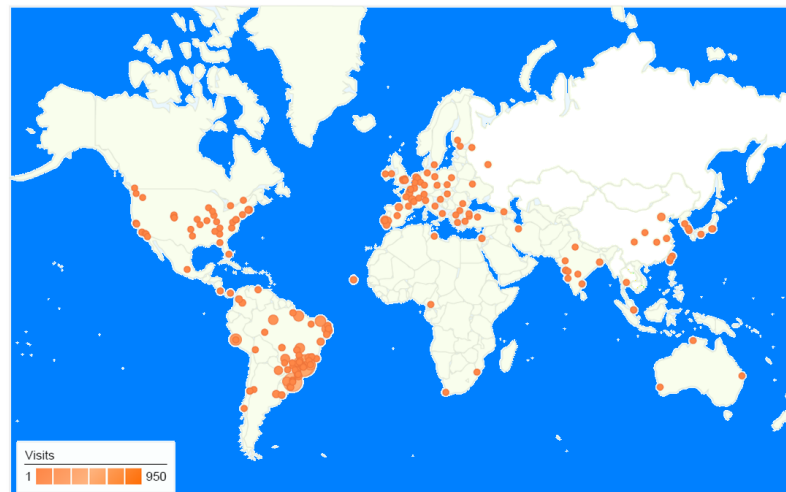
- ***Precipitation assimilation - better short range forecasts;(Bruno Biazeto...)***
- ***Urban energy balance and transfer - TEB: to improve model validation against surface observations in urban environments; (Edmilson Freitas)***
- ***Calibration of “Grell Ensemble” with precipitation data (Saulo + team);***
- ***New options for the radiative processes in the presence of gases and aerosols - space and time variation - CARMA; (Saulo, Karla presentation)***
- ***Interaction cloud/radiation - short wave - need to improve metric of validation based on fit to surface radiation measurements; (Enio,Saulo, Marcos Longo)***
- ***New options for dry turbulence; improvement of T,Td diurnal cycle) – Haroldo Velho, Saulo, Marcos Longo***
- ***New data assimilation module - based on GSI (Saulo – Eder - Glauber – com KF)***

Other implementations (2):

- ***New data assimilation module - based on GSI (Saulo – Eder - Glauber – with KF)***
- ***Simplified photochemistry - 2004 (product of research project with CETESB); (E. Freitas)***
- ***Full photochemistry module (CPTEC – Karla presentation)***
- ***Coupling with dynamical vegetation: 1st version with GEMTM (≈2005) now JULES (Demerval)***
- ***Coupling with ocean model (POM) and mixed layer model (R. Camargo/ Jorgetti/E.Freitas, Alexandre Costa)***
- ***Coupling with surface hydrology - Sao Francisco, Rio Grande, Uruguay – Pantanal – flooded areas and more recently in the Amazon (Daniel Dallasia / Mercel Santos)***
- ***CCN's in microphysics – Jorge Martins***
- ***Numerical methods, surface pressure (Saulo + team; Marcos Longo)***

Code robustness (Jairo Panetta and team):

- ***Code originally developed by researchers;***
- ***Fundamental rules of software engineering***
- ***Parallel efficiency :***
 - ***Challenge: efficiency in vector computers; massive parallelism - shared and distributed memory...***
- ***BRAMS community is significant***



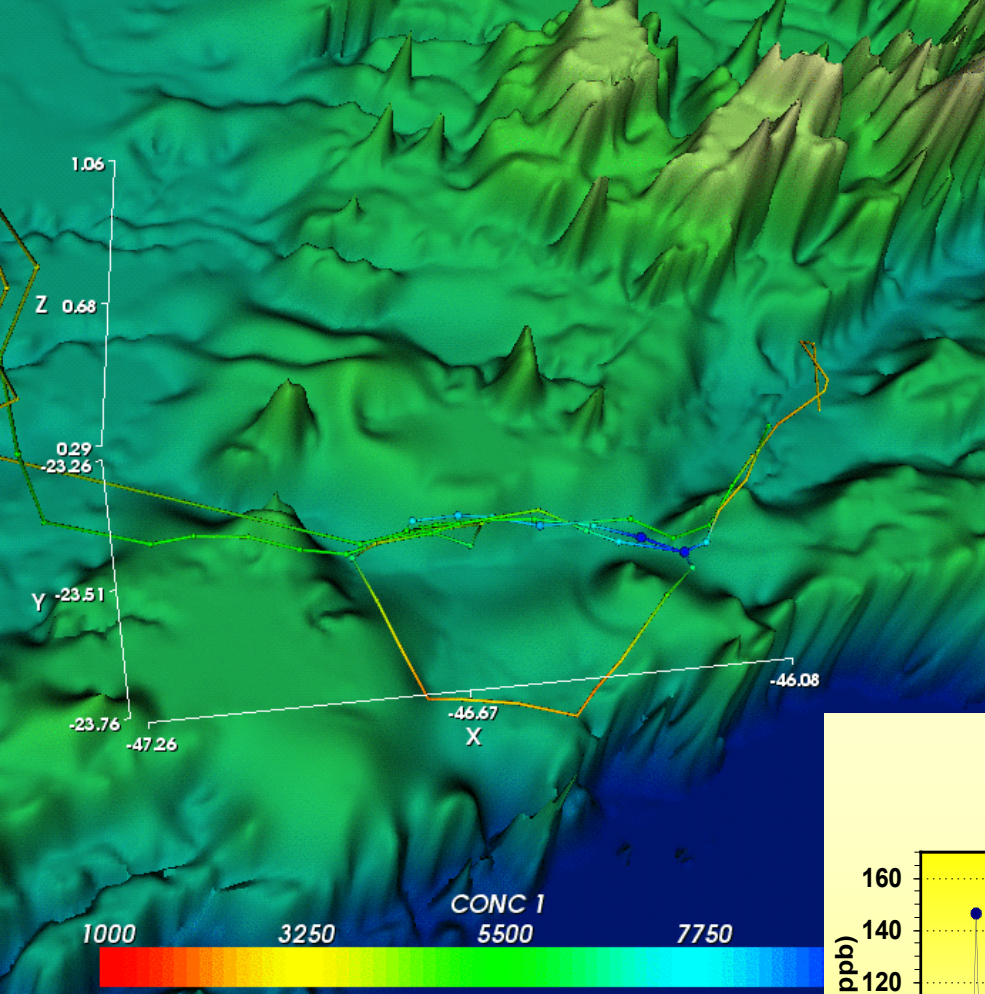
- **Challenge - Efficient use of High Performance Computing - HPC**
- *New generation of HPC machines:*
 - *architecture*
 - *Massively parallel with accelerators (GPU's etc.)*
 - *Visualization of large data sets (3D animation)*
 - *Assistance to “poor mortal “users...*



What is behind the success of BRAMS?

- ***Link to observational work!!!!***
 - ***Ex. LBA, air pollution programs, micromet tower program***
- ***Operational use for regional forecasting***

Measurements with the INPE Bandeirantes aircraft from 11 to 13 August 1999



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Poluição de São Paulo - Vôo de 13/08/99 Concentração de O₃

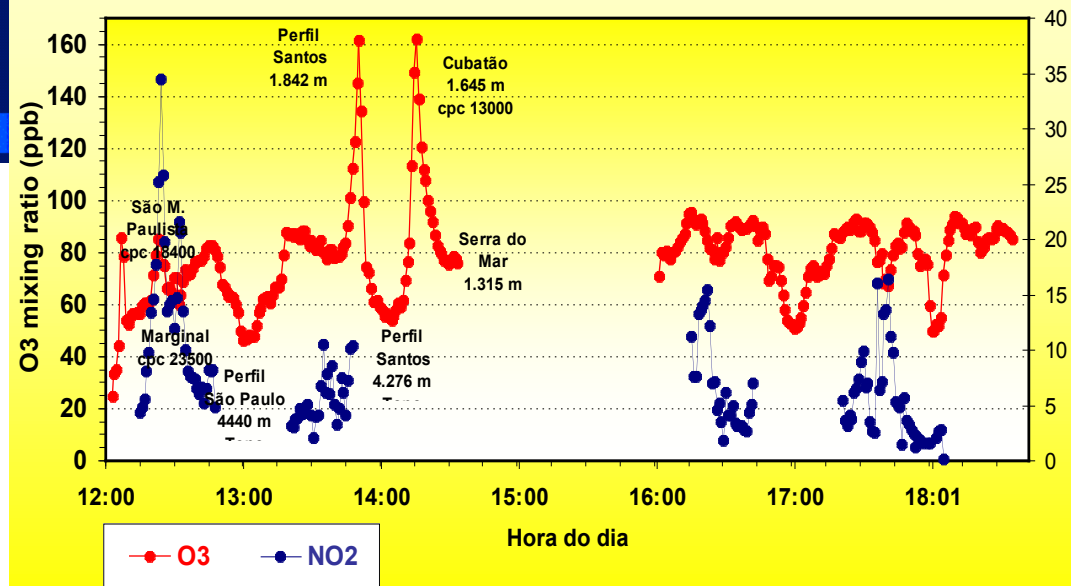
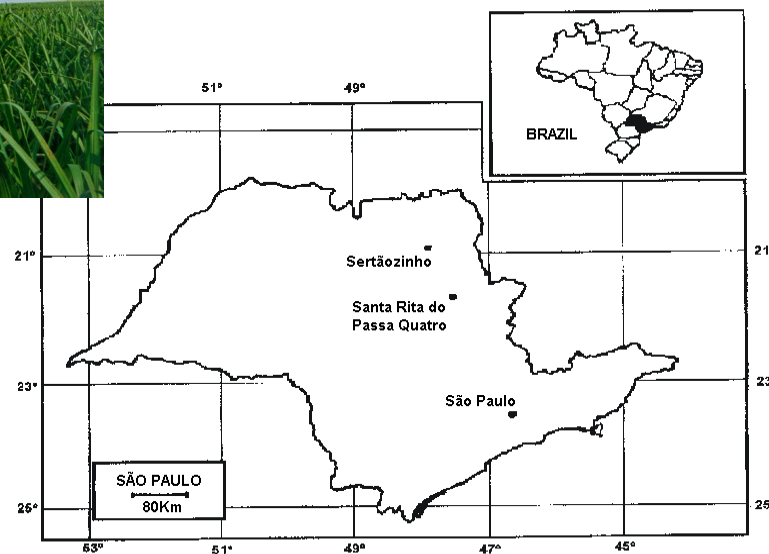




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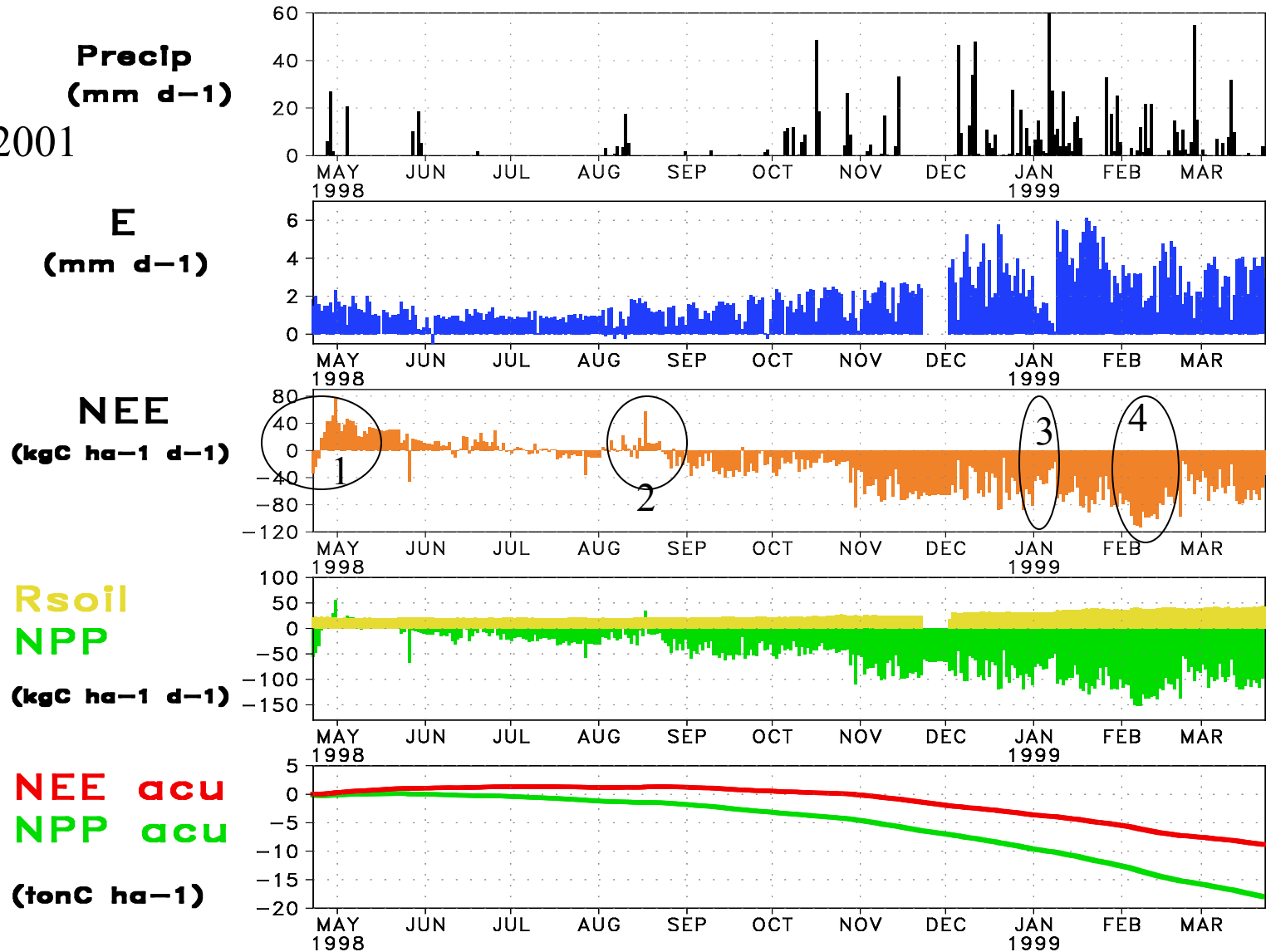


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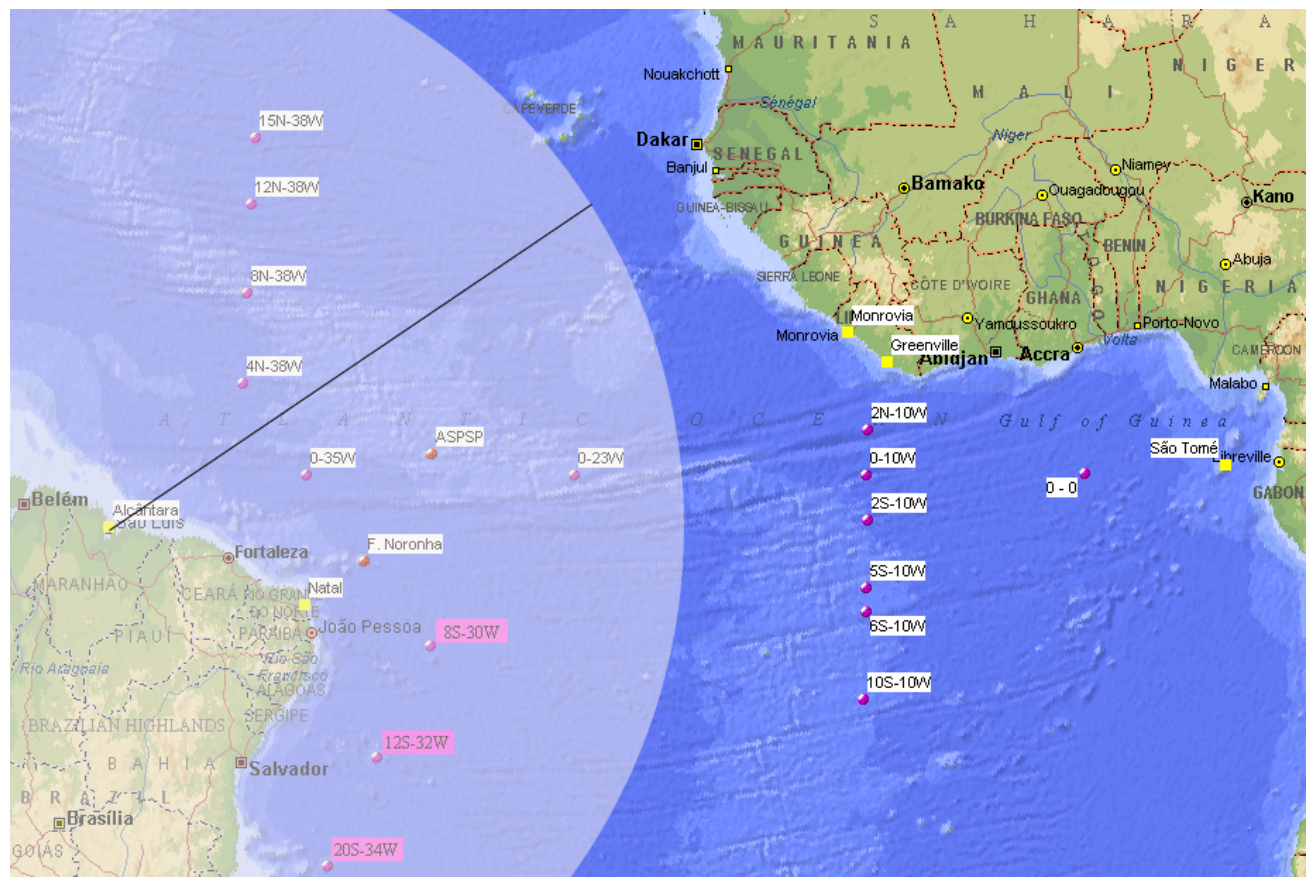
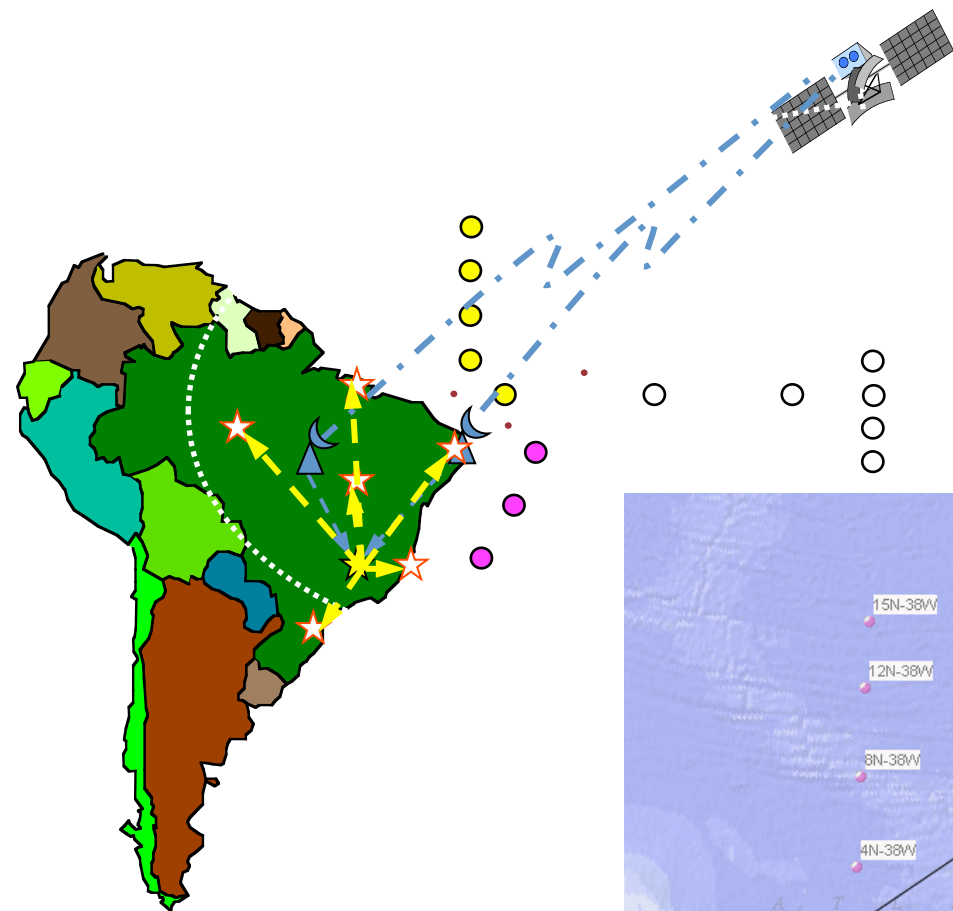


FLUXOS CO2 E H2O @ CANA-DE-ACUCAR

Rocha 2001



Rede PIRATA de Bóias Oceânicas & Cobertura de recepção dos satélites SCD



***Operational use of BRAMS in
regional forecasting***

MODELOS REGIONAIS E GLOBAIS

☒		ETA (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo ETA - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETAcr (CPTEC-INPE) - Conjunto controle do ETA - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETAm1 (CPTEC-INPE) - Membro 1 do Conjunto do ETA - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETAm2 (CPTEC-INPE) - Membro 2 do Conjunto do ETA - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETAm3 (CPTEC-INPE) - Membro 3 do Conjunto do ETA - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETAm4 (CPTEC-INPE) - Membro 4 do Conjunto do ETA - Resolução de 40km
☒		ETA20 (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo ETA - Resolução de 20km
☒		RPSAS (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo ETA com assimilação de dados observados - Resolução de 40km
☐		ETALN (CATO-LNCC) - Modelo ETA - sudeste - Kain-Fritsch - Resolução de 17km
☐		ETALN (CATO-LNCC) - Modelo ETA - Rio - Betts-Miller - Resolução de 10km
☐		ETALN (CATO-LNCC) - Modelo ETA - Brasil - Betts-Miller - Resolução de 48km
☐		ETALN (CATO-LNCC) - Modelo ETA - Sudeste - Betts-Miller - Aninhado - Resolução de 17km
☐		ETAUM_g1 (UMD-Maryland) - Modelo ETA - Resolução de 80km
☐		ETAUM_g2 (UMD-Maryland) - Modelo ETA - Resolução de 22km
☐		ETARE (SMN_ARG) - Modelo ETA - hidrostático - com parametrização Betts-Miller-Janjic - Resolução de 30km
☐		ETAAR (SMN_ARG) - Modelo ETA - não-hidrostático - com parametrização Betts-Miller-Janjic - Resolução de 10km
☐		CATTB (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo CATT-BRAMS iniciado com o Global do CPTEC - Resolução de 30km
☒		RAMSC (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o Global do CPTEC - Resolução de 25km « NAMELIST »
☐		RAMSV (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o ETA20 - Resolução de 2km « NAMELIST »
☐		TEB (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS acoplado ao TEB iniciado com o Global do AVN - Resolução de 4km « NAMELIST »
☐		RAMSB (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o Global do AVN - Resolução de 10km « NAMELIST »
☐		RAMSS (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o Global do CPTEC - Resolução de 20km « NAMELIST »
☐		RAMSM (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o Global do AVN (acoplado com o Stilt) - Resolução de 12km « NAMELIST »
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☐		opRJa (MASTER-USP) - Modelo BRAMS iniciado com o Global do AVN - Resolução de 20km
☐		GRUMA (GRUMA-UFSM) - Modelo BRAMS - Resolução de 20km
☐		UFPA_g1 (LAMAZ-UFPA) - Modelo BRAMS - Resolução de 81km
☐		UFPA_g2 (LAMAZ-UFPA) - Modelo BRAMS - Resolução de 27km
☐		LMQA (LMQA-UFRGS) - Modelo BRAMS - Resolução de 16km
☐		WRFAR (CIMA-UBA) - Modelo WRF - Resolução de 60km
☐		WRFAR (CIMA-UBA) - Modelo WRF - Resolução de 20km
☐		WRFrj (LPM-UFRJ) - Modelo WRF - Resolução de ??km
☐		HRM_g1 (CHM) - Modelo Alemão (GME) - Resolução de 30km
☐		HRM_g2 (CHM) - Modelo Alemão (GME) - Resolução de 13km
☐		GP213 (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo GPSAS com análise do CPTEC - Resolução de 63km
☐		T299 (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo global T299 - Resolução de 44km
☐		T213 (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo global T213 - Resolução de 63km
☐		CPTEC (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo global T126 - Resolução de 100km
☐		ACOPL (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo T126 acoplado com modelo oceânico - Experimental - Resolução de 100km
☐		ACOPM (CPTEC-INPE) - Conjunto obtido via 10 previsões consecutivas do modelo Acoplado/CPTEC - Experimental - Resolução de 100km
☐		OLAMC (CPTEC-INPE) - Modelo OLAM com microfísica de nível 1 - Resolução de 250km « NAMELIST »

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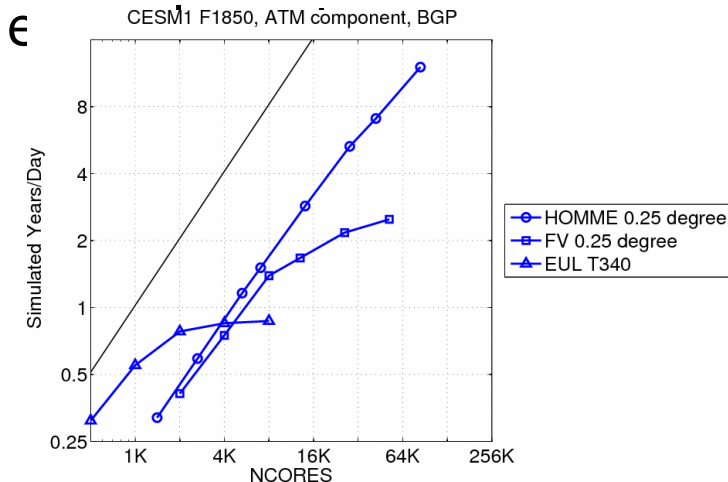
Future of BRAMS

Conclusion

- Cooperative work of many people leading to very competitive work in integrated earth atmosphere modelling
- Creative modelling work based on observations, mainly in atmospheric field campaigns and long term surface monitoring.
- Parallelism - > accelerators

Preparando Modelos para a Computação Exaflópica

- ✓ Substanciais recursos computacionais estão sendo usados para simulações globais de alta resolução, escala climática (p. ex. 20km ou < na atmosfera e <10km no oceano) para várias décadas.
- ✓ Resolução mais alta com refinamento regional (núcleos dinâmicos baseados em "cubed sphere, hycosaedral, hexagonal"): **no nosso caso estamos investindo no OLAM – versão global do RAMS/BRAMS com resolução variável.**
- ✓ Experimentos com malhas adaptativas estão em



Conclusion - Future

- Dynamical core:
 - Challenge: avoid approximations in the equations; deal with sharp orography; deal with massive parallelization (need integrated work – new algorithms, computer architecture. OLAM is a possible choice but there are others.
- Aerosol – CCN's => cloud microphysics coupling
 - Large number of variables -> computational challenge
 - Up to what level is necessary?
- Radiation: column treatment is not OK with high resolution!!!
 - Physical processes
 - Computational challenge - horizontal communication
- Dry Turbulence:
 - Diurnal variation of T, Td, V..... (still a challenge)
- Moist convective parameterizations:
 - High resolution cloud microphysics and low resolution closure assumptions
- Data Assimilation:
 - CCN's, chemistry, vegetation, soil...
 - Needs creativity !!!!
- Many others...

Conclusions - final

- ***Definition of functionalities: users (research/operational);***
- ***Critical to have close ties with experimental work;***
- ***Friendly interface and support for users;***
- ***Operational use (optimization function: computational cost, precision, evaluation against observations);***
 - ***Massive Parallel efficiency is critical!***
- ***Model validation - needs well defined metrics – scale dependent !***
- ***Team work - need to understand users needs and priorities***
- ***Persistence!!!***
 - ***And human resources!!!!***

In our case:

- *Adjust models to our reality*
- *Human Resources: aggregate groups in many areas....*
- *Products with international competitiveness (otherwise we will always be users...*



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