Developments Towards a Satellite-Informed High-Resolution $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling System

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Goals ...

- PM2.5 @ sub-km resolution around a point of interest (POI)
- All scales (large -> neighborhood)
- Full physics (primary, secondary)
- Flexible & computationally efficient
- Wide applicability
 - AQ management, Health Effects & Forecasting
- Satellite key component
 - Linkage to large scale
 - Provide constraints due to emission uncertainty

Basis: Downscaling satellite AQ fields to sub-km ...

Large Scale / Regional

(satellite-informed) (e.g. MODIS AOD -> PM2.5) (~ 10 km)

Local

(~ 1 km) (HYSPLIT + LBM)

Near-Source

(~ 100 m) AERMOD







Primary + Secondary Background PM2.5



Near-Source PM2.5



Total PM2.5

HYSPLIT Stilt Emulation Mode

- Lagrangian Particle Model
- Backwards in integration
- Map out influence functions (I)
- Spatial maps: Influence of upwind regions on concentrations @ point of interest

Term 1: Couple to Surface Emissions

$$C(\mathbf{x}_r, t_r) = \int_{t_0}^{t_r} dt \int_{V} d^3x I(\mathbf{x}_r, t_r \mid \mathbf{x}, t) S(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

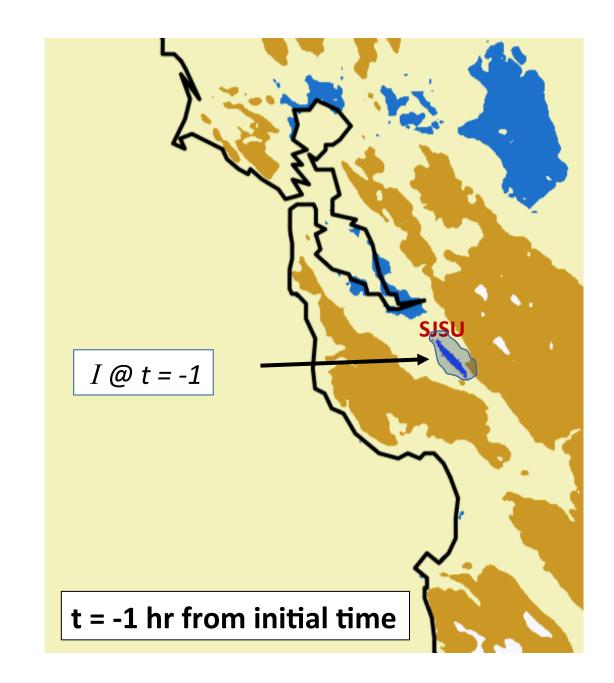
Concentration @ point of interest

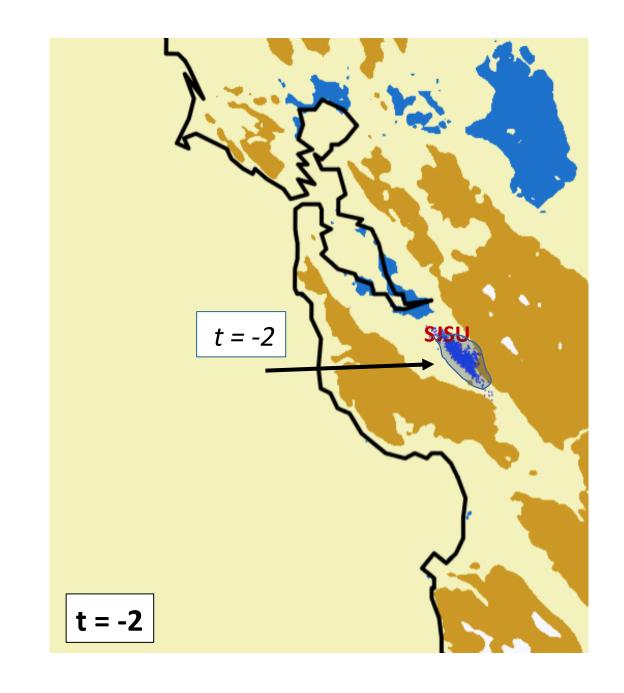
$$+\int\limits_{V}d^{3}xI(\mathbf{x}_{r},t_{r}\,|\,\mathbf{x},t_{0})C(\mathbf{x},t_{0}).$$

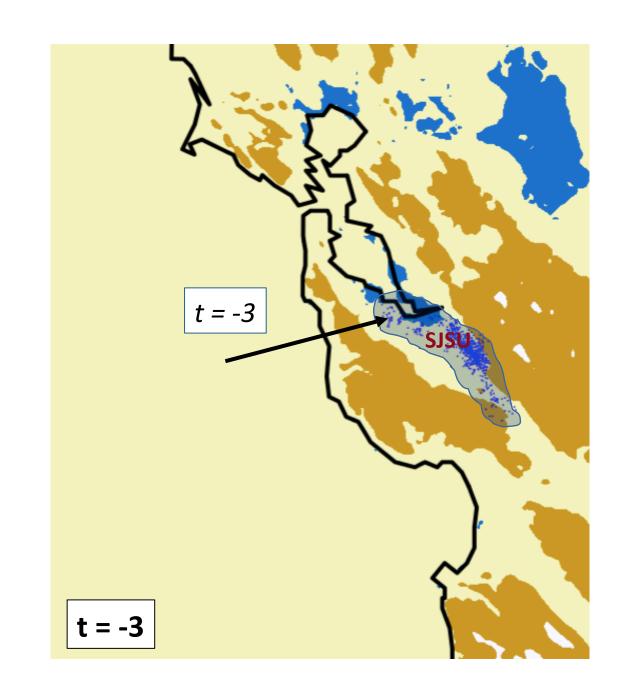
Term 2: Couple to initial conditions

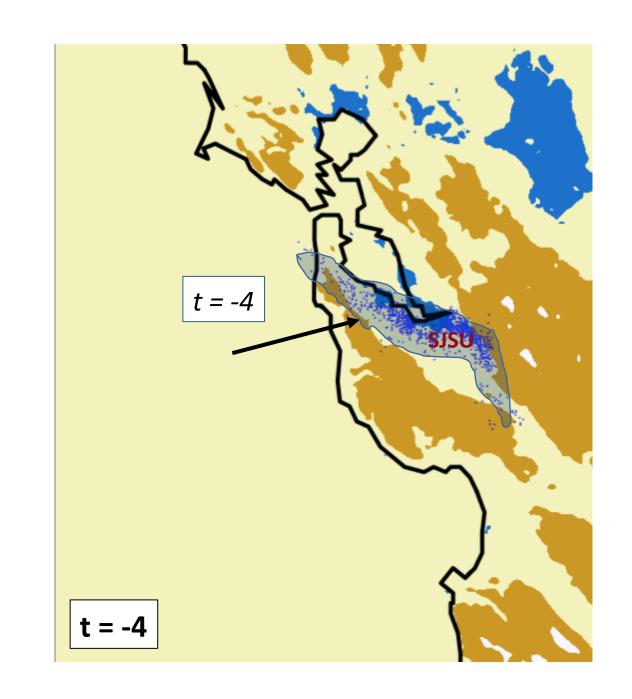
Illustrative example ...

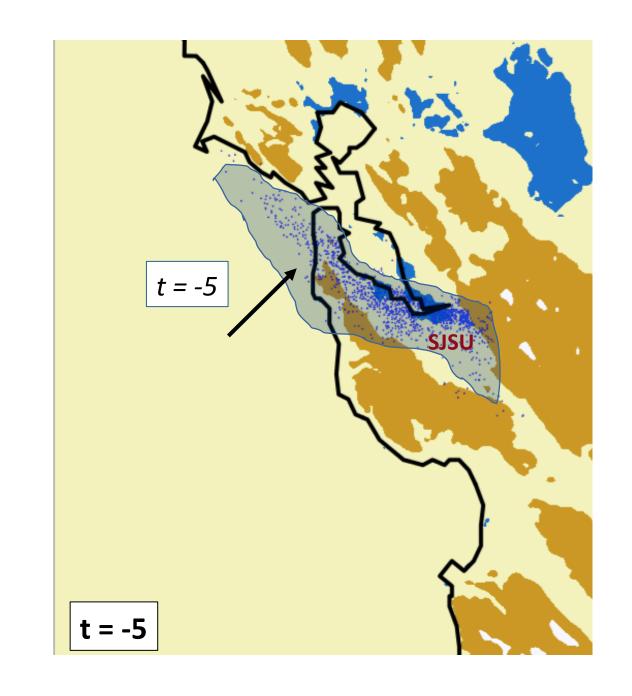
- HYSPLIT
- Backwards-in-time nine hours
- Point of Interest: SJSU
- Driven by WRF wind field

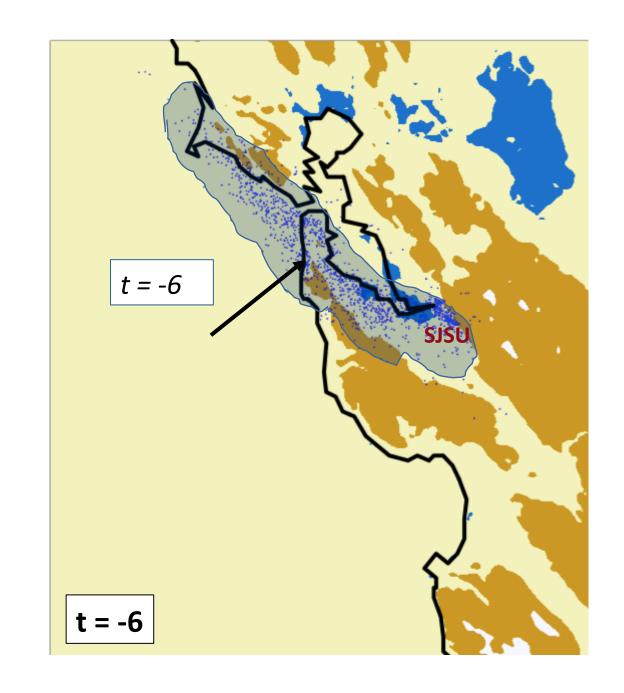


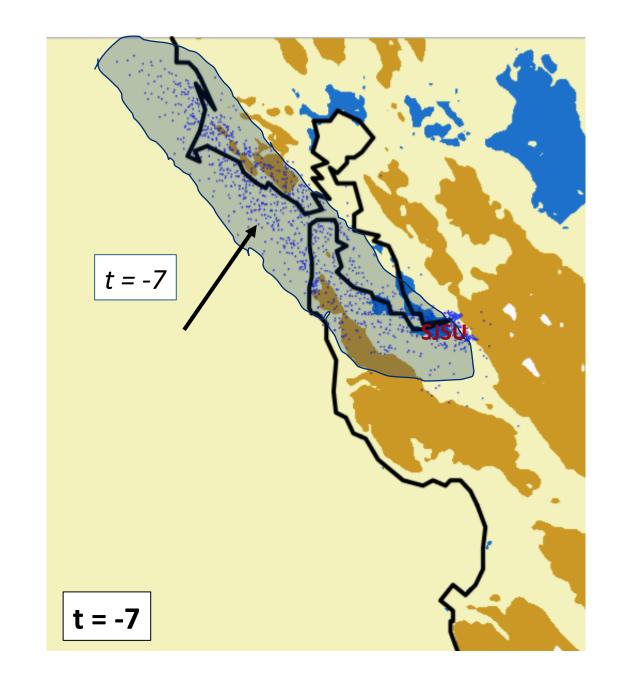


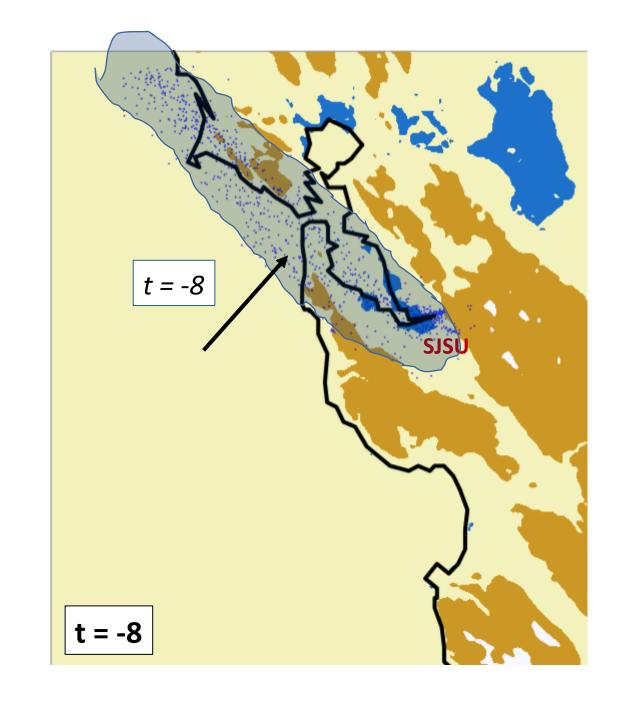


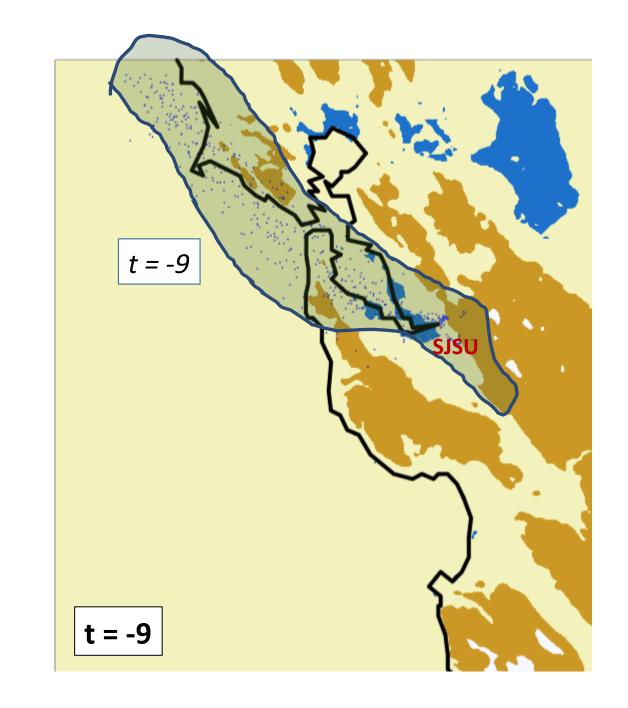












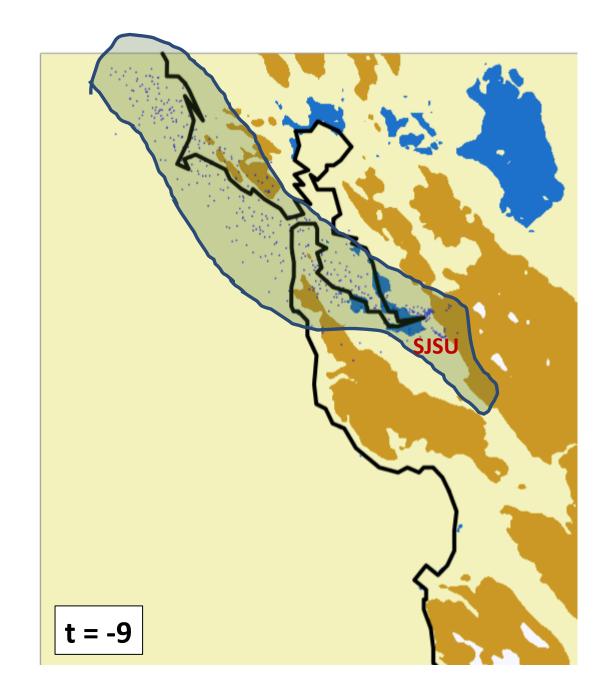
Apply to ...

- PM25 (primary local)
- NOx (precursors, secondary local)
- VOC (precursors, secondary local)

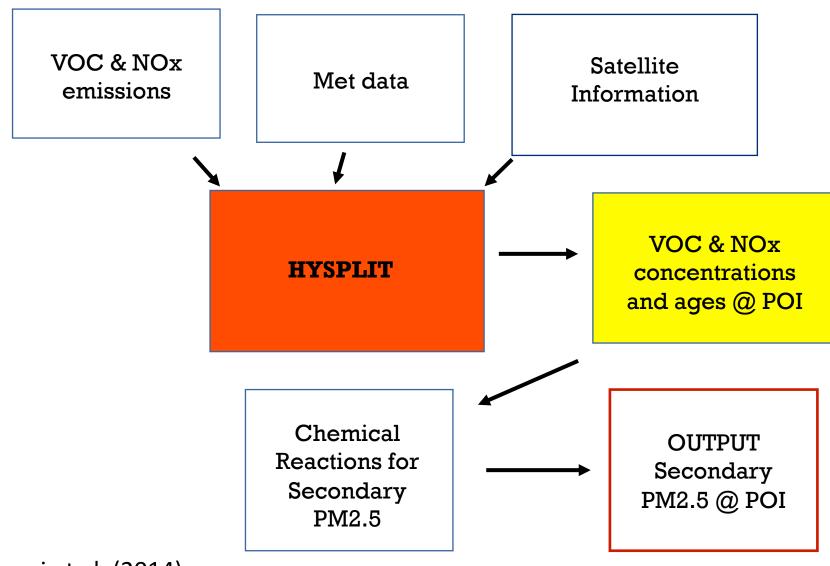
Role of Satellite Fields

Probe large-scale satellite field <u>within influence</u> <u>region</u> to provide ...

- Initial conditions (t = -9)
- Constraints on model calculations (t = 0 to -9)



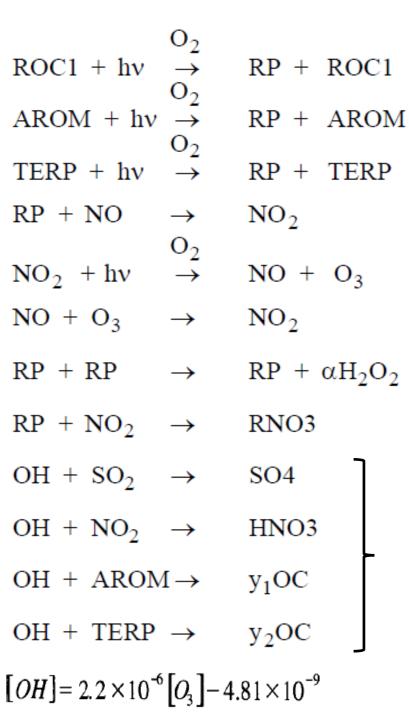
Local Secondary: Lagrangian Background Model (LBM)



Pournazeri et al. (2014)

LBM achieves computational efficiency by uncoupling transport and chemistry using the concept of species age (Venkatram et al. 1998; Pournazeri et al., 2014).

We can reduce computing time using time using parameterized chemistry to compute PM2.5 concentrations (Venkatram et al, 2011).



Secondary PM2.5

RP: "Radical pool"

- Sulfate
- Nitrate
- Secondary Organic

Ongoing Work ...

Fuse Components

- MODIS AOD -> PM2.5: large-scale, regional
- HYSPLIT: primary local
- LBM: secondary local
- AERMOD: near-source

Details of Satellite Linkage

- Suggestions from HAQAST & others
- Applications & first use cases

Evaluation

- EPA AQS
- Low cost sensors

References & further details ...

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