



# Application and development of air quality models in Chile

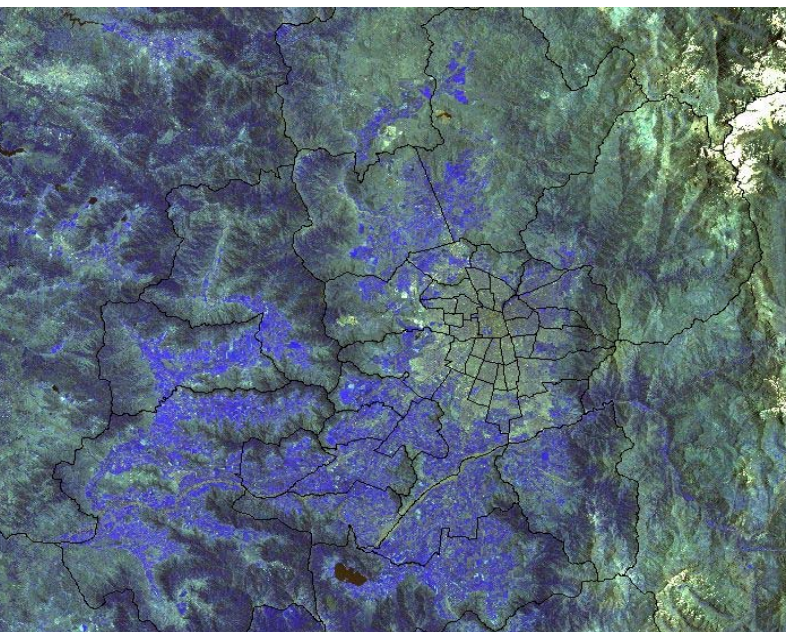
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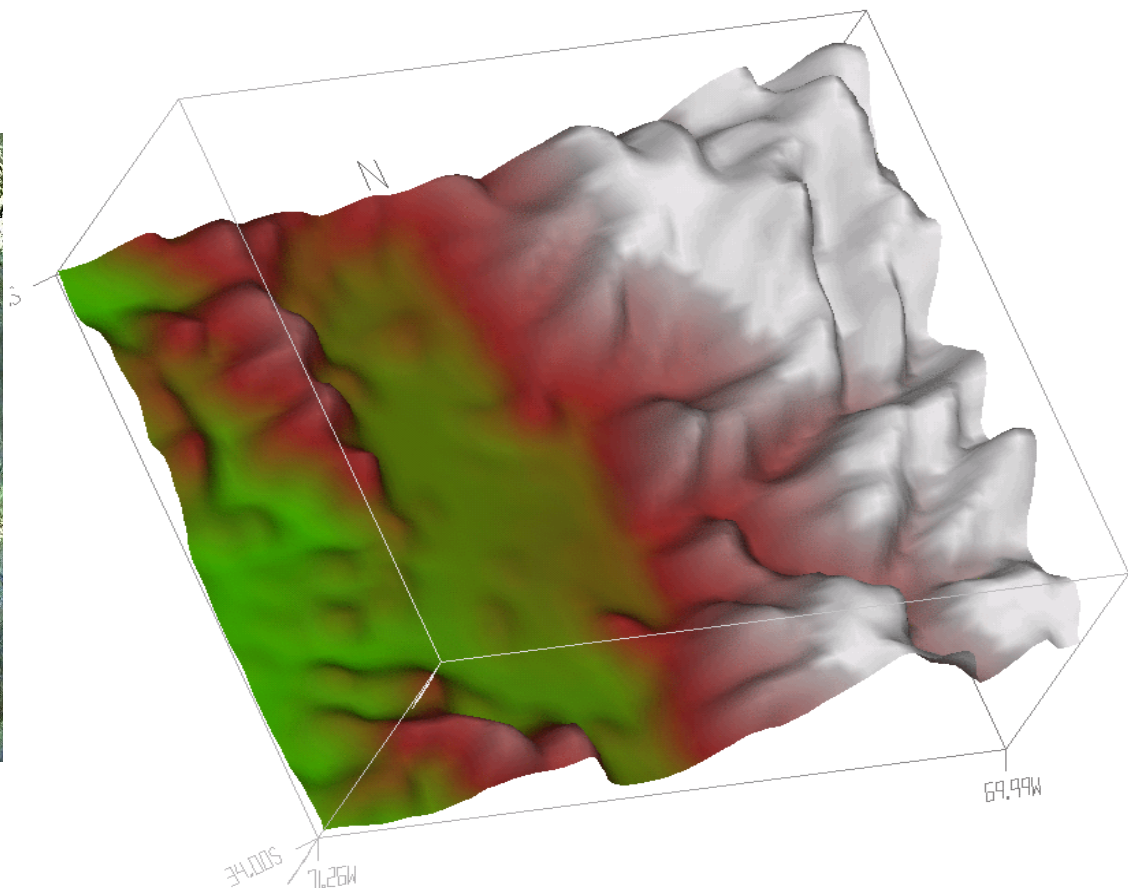
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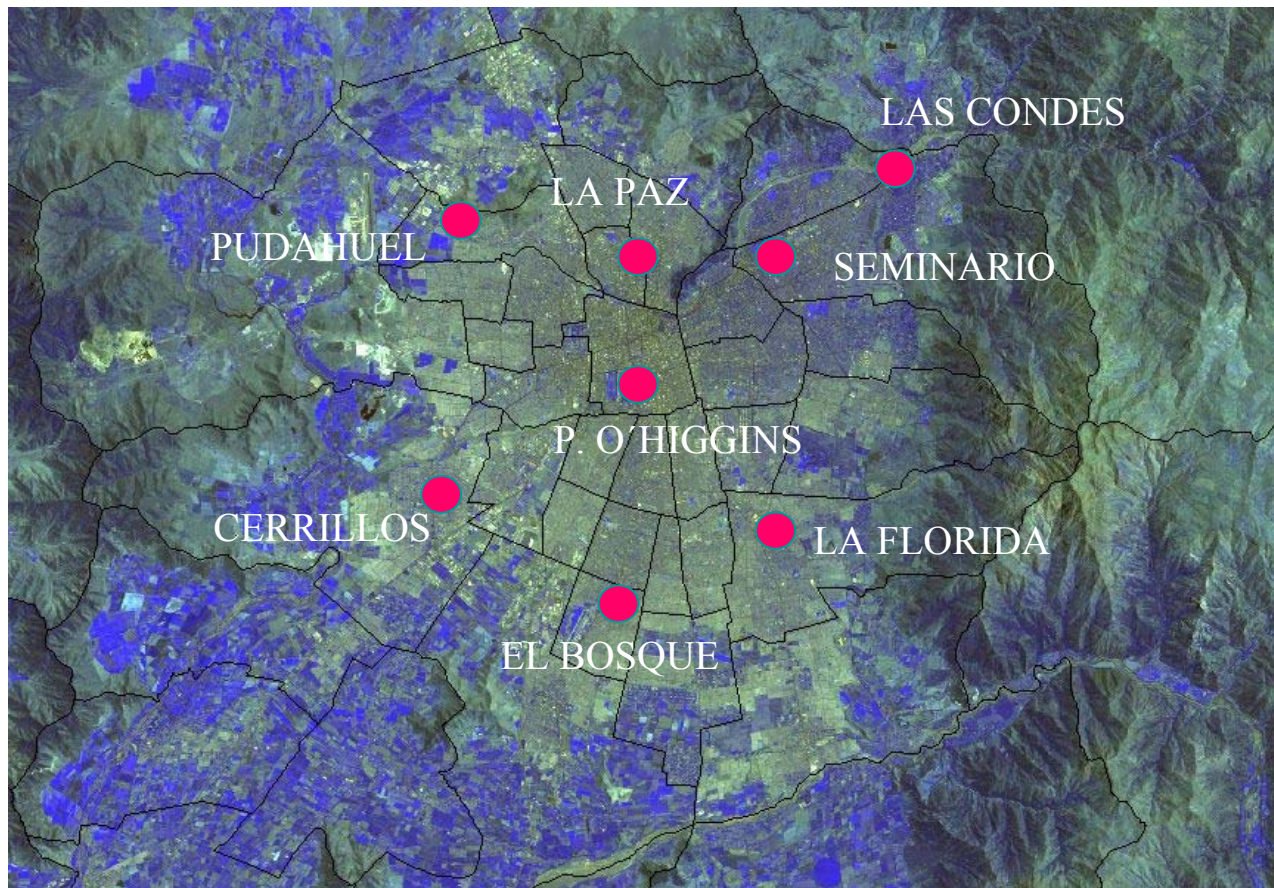




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## Monitoring Network

Variables:  
NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>,  
CO, PM<sub>10</sub>, NMH





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## Air quality

	Norms	Observed maximum (at one of the monitoring sites)	# of days per year above norm
<b>PM10</b>	24-hour average <b>150</b> $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~330</b> $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~60</b>
<b>CO</b>	8-hour average <b>10</b> $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~15</b> $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~60</b>
<b>Ozone</b>	1-hour average <b>150</b> $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~350</b> $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	<b>~140</b>



# Air quality forecast for Santiago

**Forecast for PM10** (24-hour average one day in advance for every station)

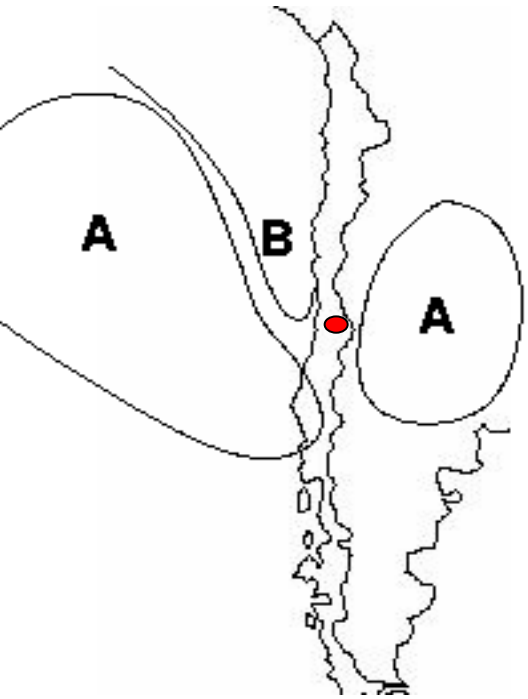
Type of model: **Multiple linear regression analysis**  
62 Meteorological predictor variables  
16 Short-term PM10 trend indicators

Example:

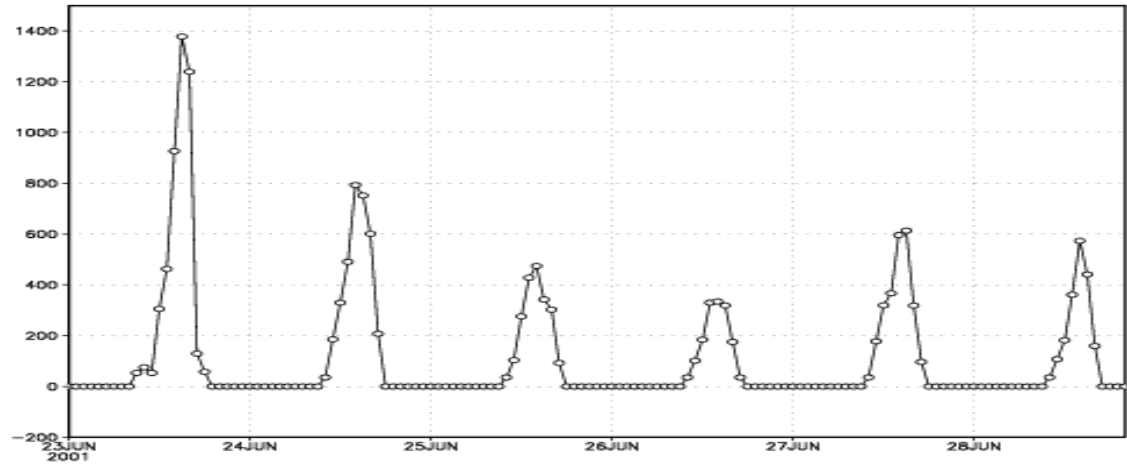
$$\text{PM1024H} = -21.7 + 39.4 * \text{MI1} + 0.33 * \text{OPM10} + 2.06 * \text{T925} + 0.21 * \text{DH500}$$

PM1024H	24-hrs average PM10 concentration for next day
MI1	Index of meteorological potential of atmospheric contamination
OPM10	observed 24 hrs PM10 average
T925	Temperature at 925 mb observed at the nearest radio sounding
DH500	24-hrs change of the geopotential height observed at the nearest radio sounding

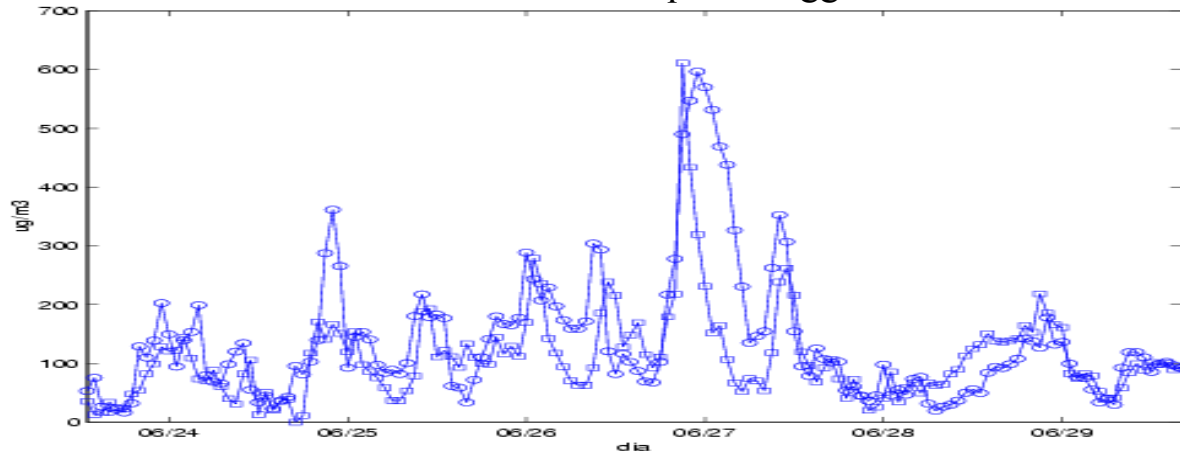
# Igf Model development



Mixing layer height



Concentrations in Pudahuel and Parque O'Higgins





# Model development

PM10

Change from:

**Statistical model**

$$PM10_{24H} = -21.7 + 39.4*MI1 + 0.33*OPM10 + 2.06*T925 + 0.21*DH500$$

To:

**Combination of dynamic and statistical model**

$$PM10_{24H} = a*OPM10 + b*MLH$$

observed

forecasted by MM5



# CADM (Chilean Air Quality Dispersion Model)

**METEOROLOGY**    MM5

## **TRANSPORT**

- Advection:            Smolarkievic (1984)  
                              Bott (1988)
- Diffusion:            Crank-Nicolson scheme (Thomas, 1995)  
                              Mixing length scheme (Dyer, 1974)  
                              TKE (Gayno *et al.*, 1994, Shafran *et al.*, 2000,  
                              Ballard *et al.*, 1991)
- Dry deposition:      Resistance model (e.g. Chang *et al.*, 1987)

## **CHEMISTRY**

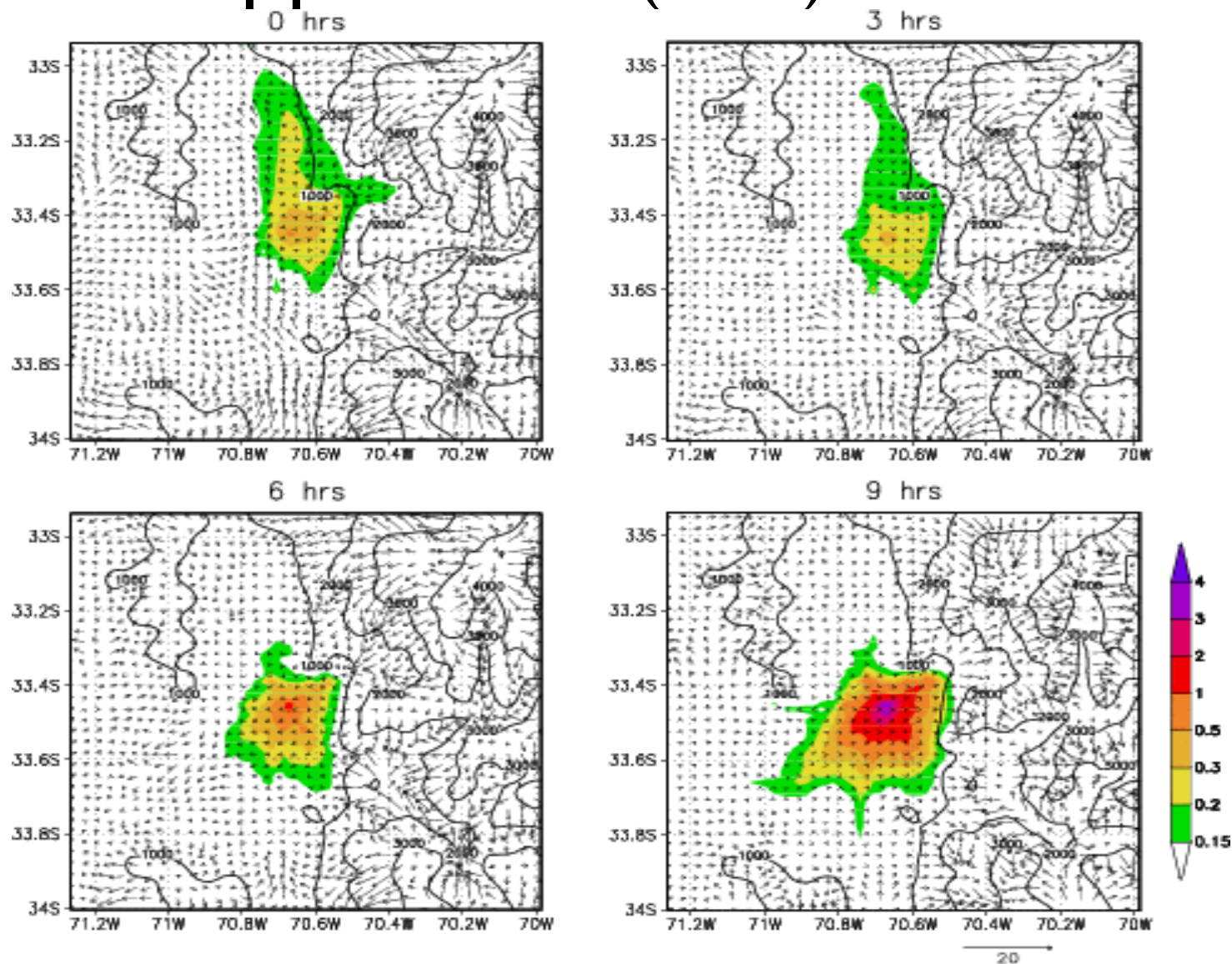
- Mechanism:            RADM2 (Stockwell *et al.*, 1990)
- Solver:                PSSA

Model documentation: [www.dgf.uchile.cl/~schmitzr](http://www.dgf.uchile.cl/~schmitzr)



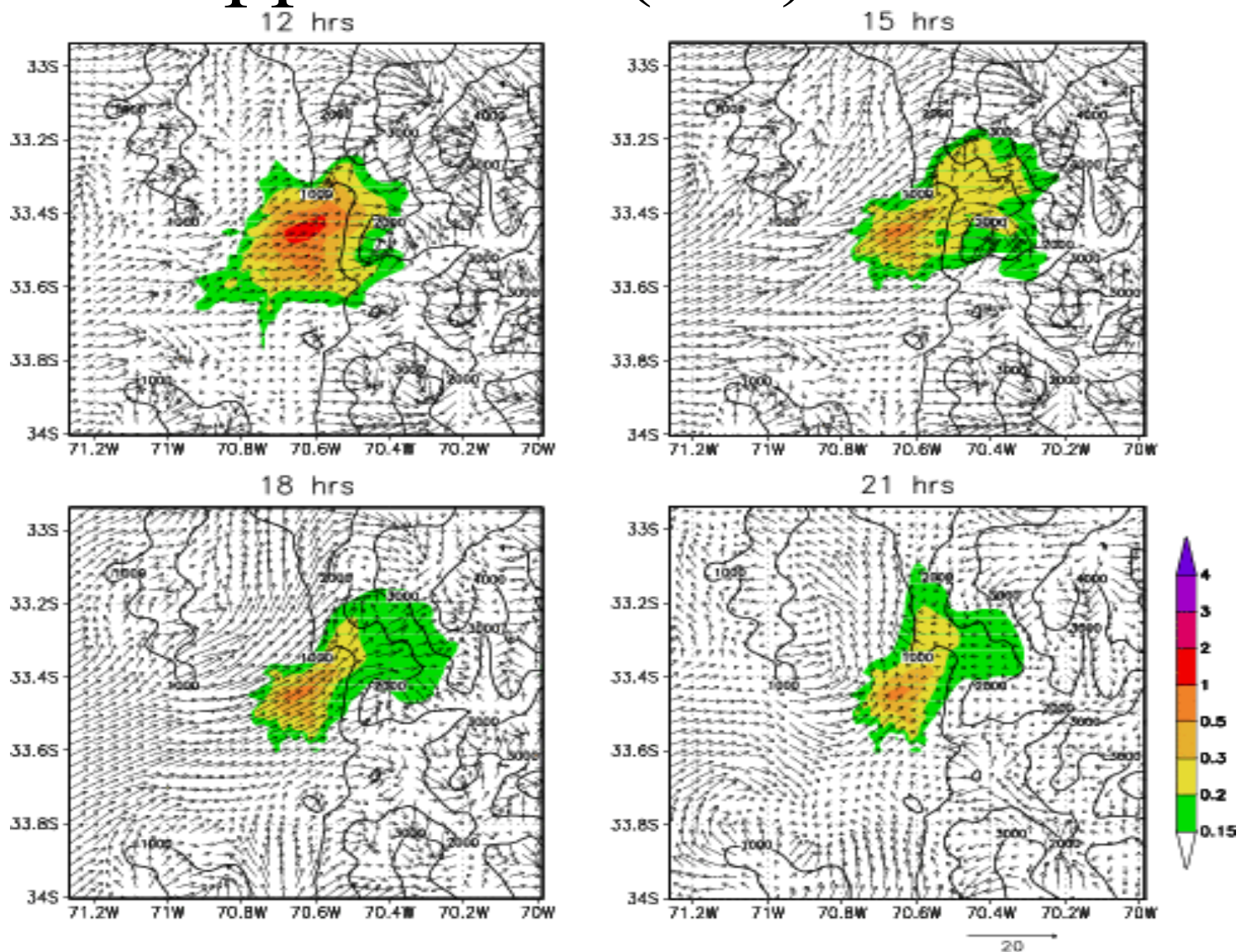


# ADM application (CO)





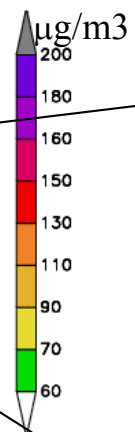
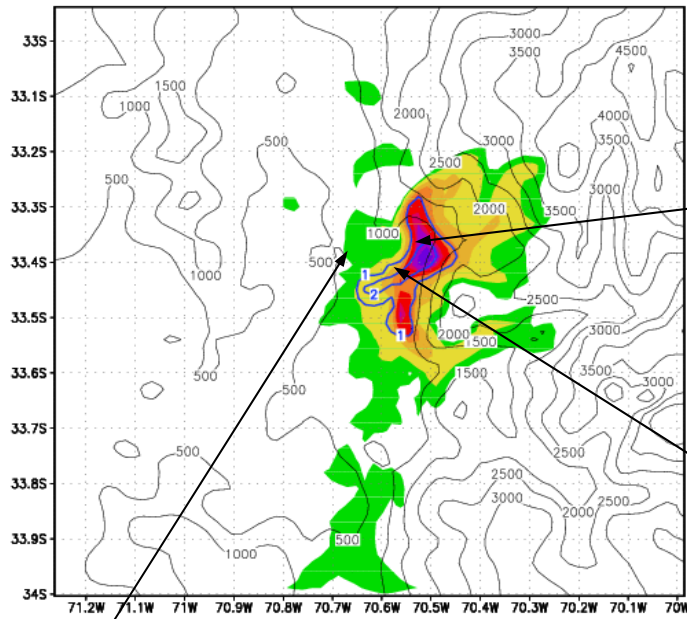
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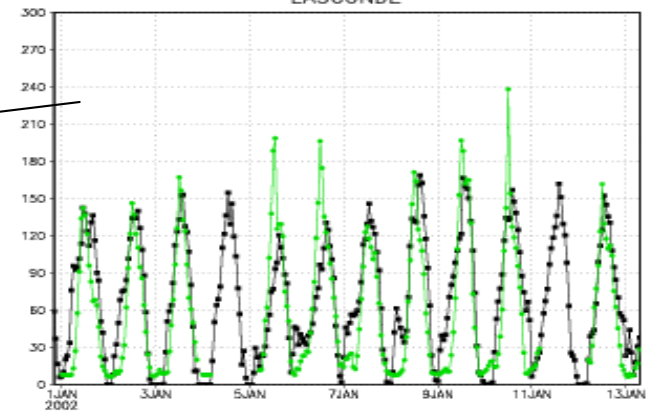


# ADM application (Ozone)

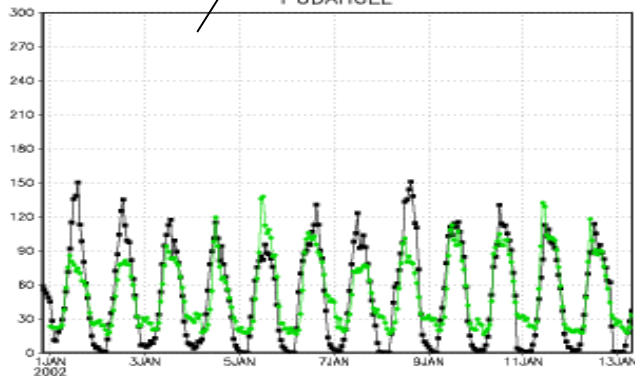
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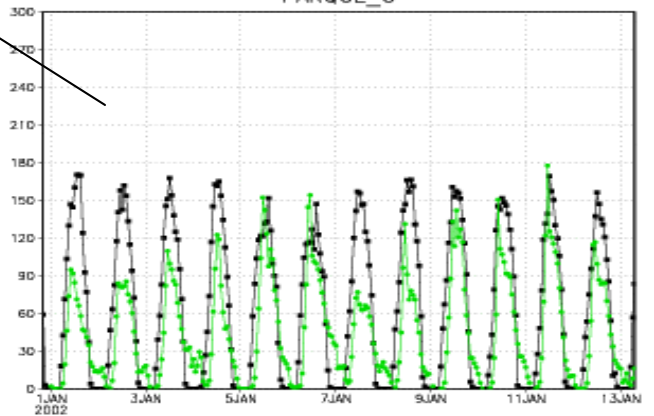
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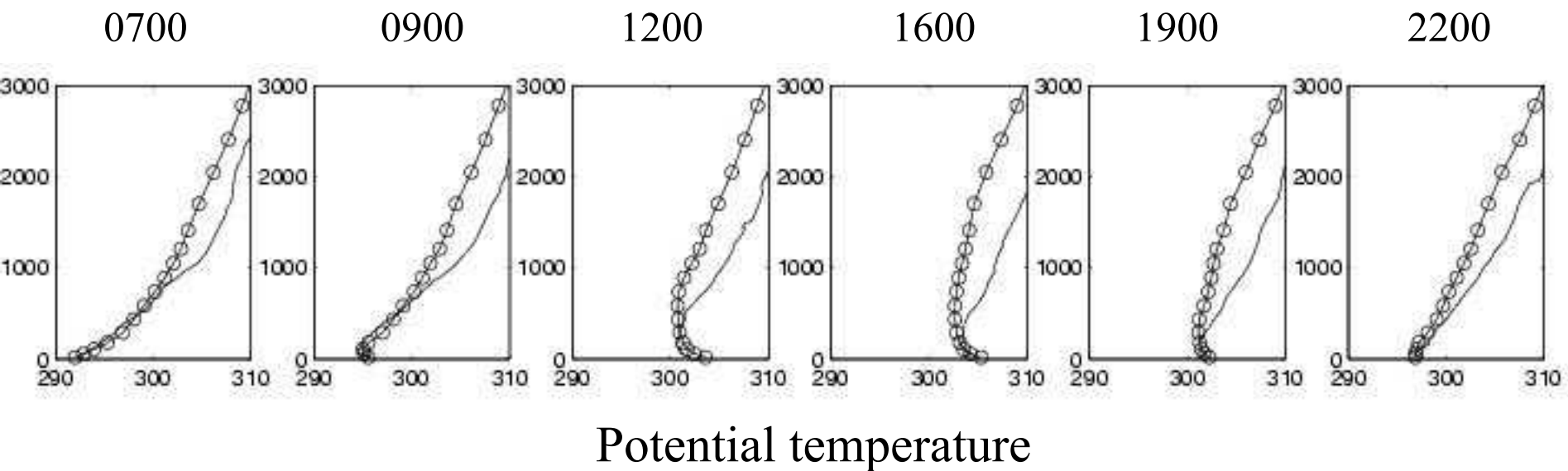


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# Meteorological performance





# Future work

- One dimensional meteorological simulations
- Meteorological field experiments
- Improvement of emission inventories
- Chemical field experiments



# Use of air quality models in Chile

## Institutions and their respective models:

- CENMA (Joseph Casmassi)
- University of Santiago (Neural Networks)
- Chilean Weather Office (MM5)
- CONAMA/CENMA (AIRVIRO, HIRLAM/MATCH)
- Catholic University (UAM, CAMx, CALMET)
- University of Chile
  - Department of Geophysics (CADM)
  - Center for Mathematical Modelling (MATCH)
- Others (KAMM/DRAIS)



# Chilean experience

- Universities have to be involved.
- Young people (with doctorate degree) have to be integrated.
- Support from governmental bodies is necessary.
- Communication between different institutions is essential.
  
- The choice of the right model (also) depends on local expertise, requirements, and infrastructure.



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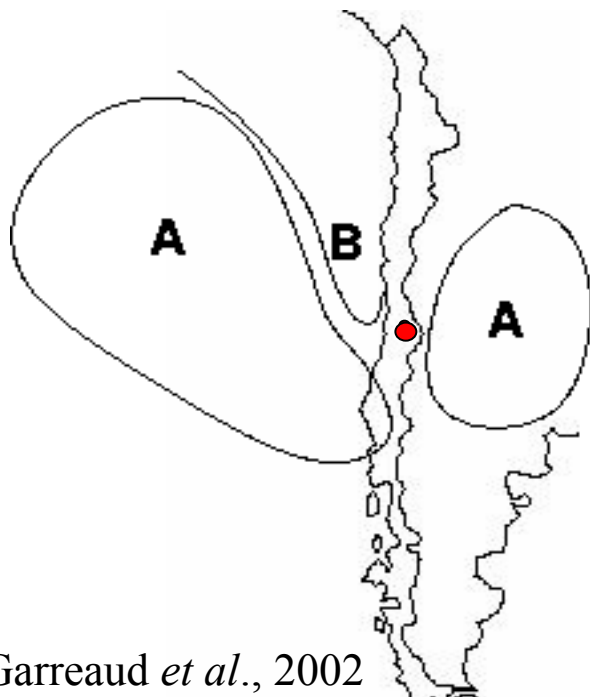




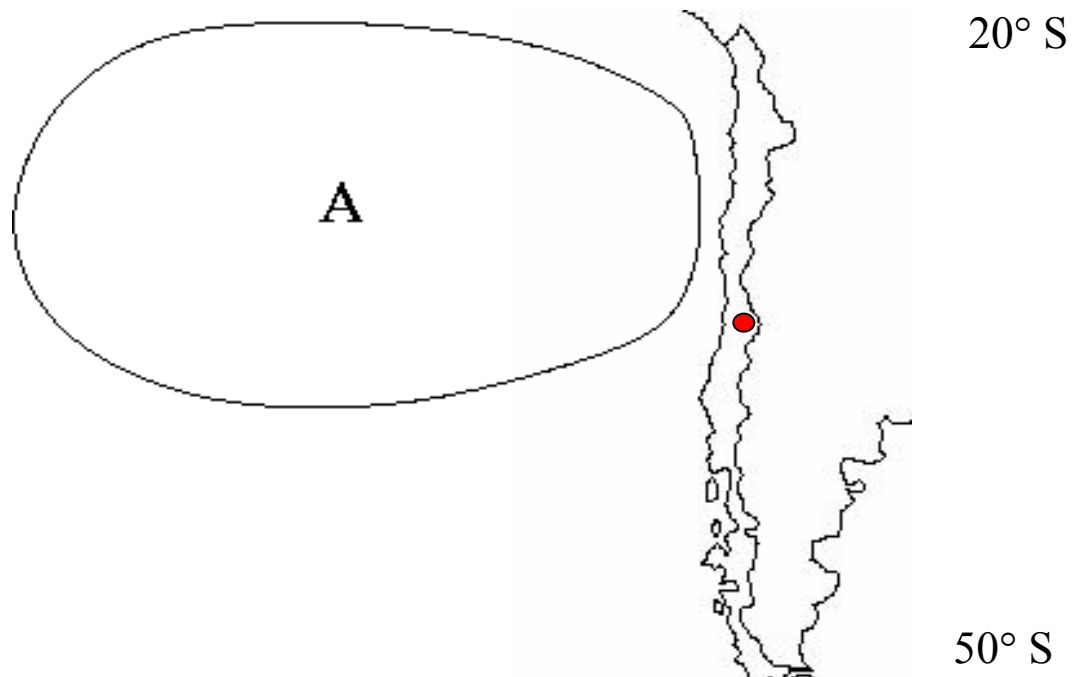
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## Typical synoptic situations

Winter



Summer



Garreaud *et al.*, 2002