

A Real-Time System for Fusing Regional and Dispersion Model PM2.5 Fields

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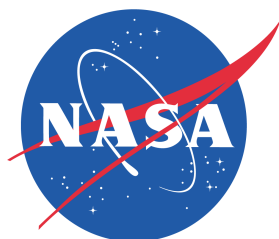
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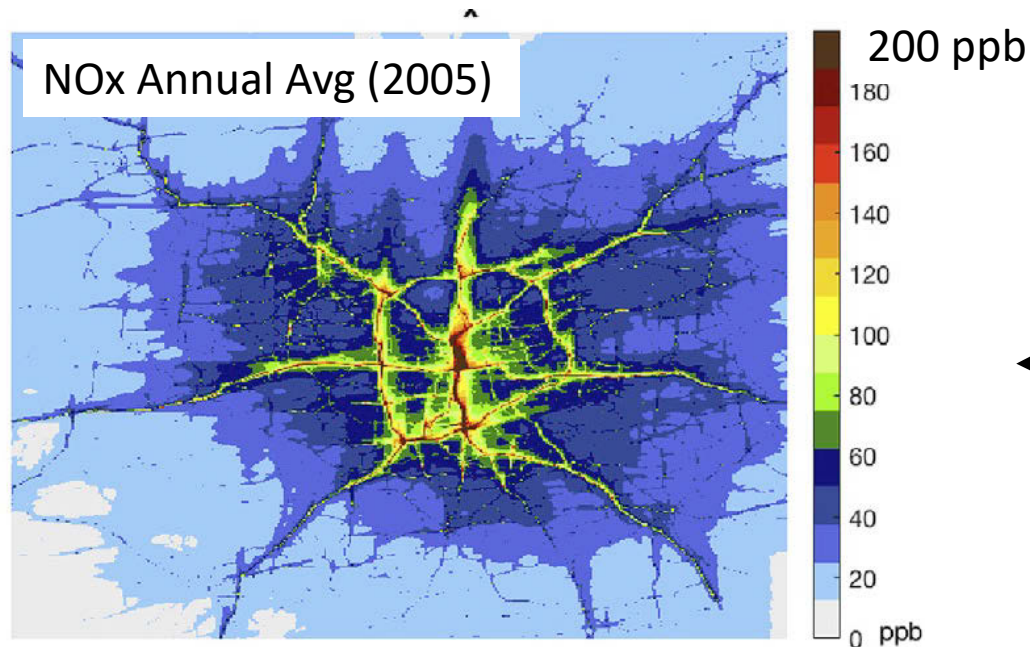
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Fused Modeling

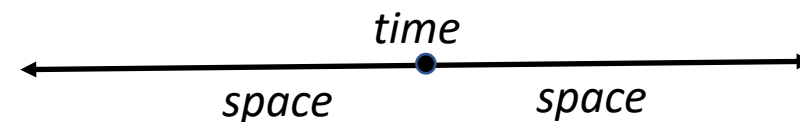
(Background)

- Combined regional & finescale modeled AQ fields
- 10s – 100s meter resolution
- Past Applications: CMAQ regional + AERMOD & R-LINE dispersion models



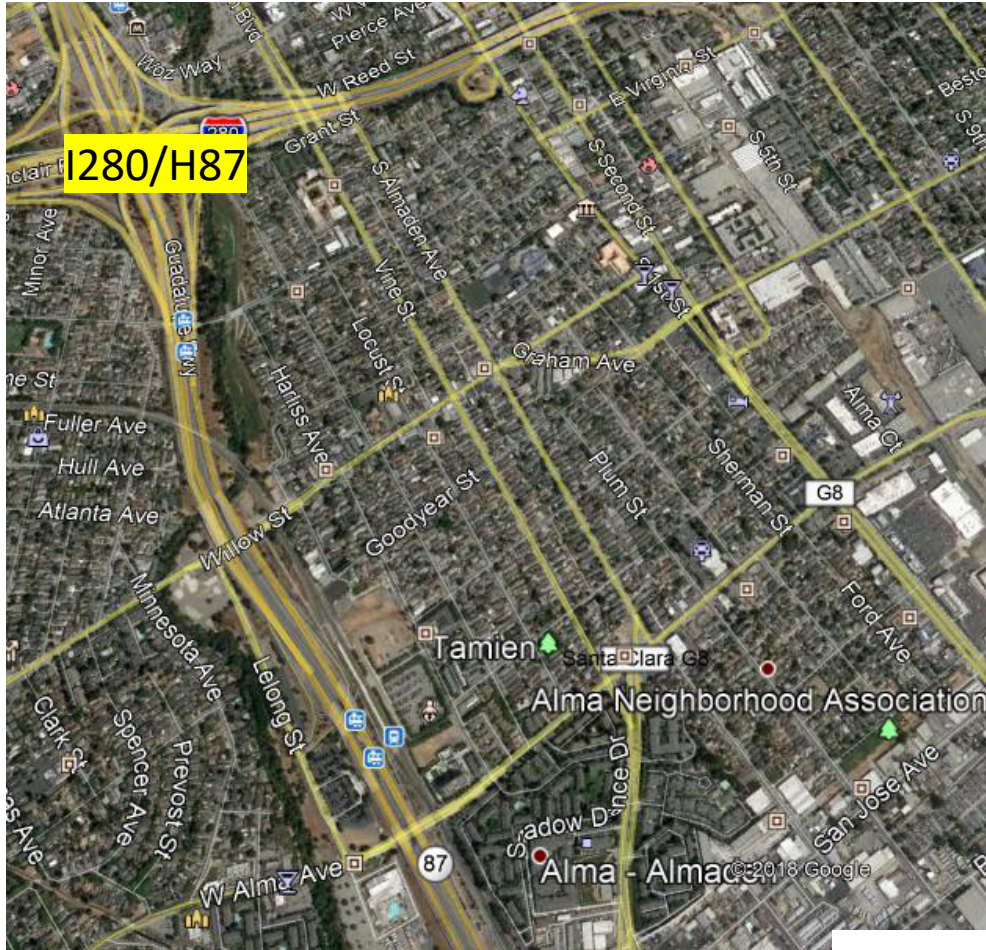
Atlanta

Bates et al. (2018)



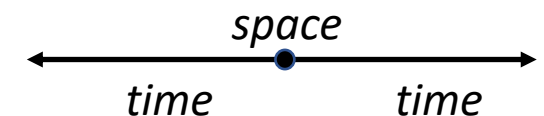
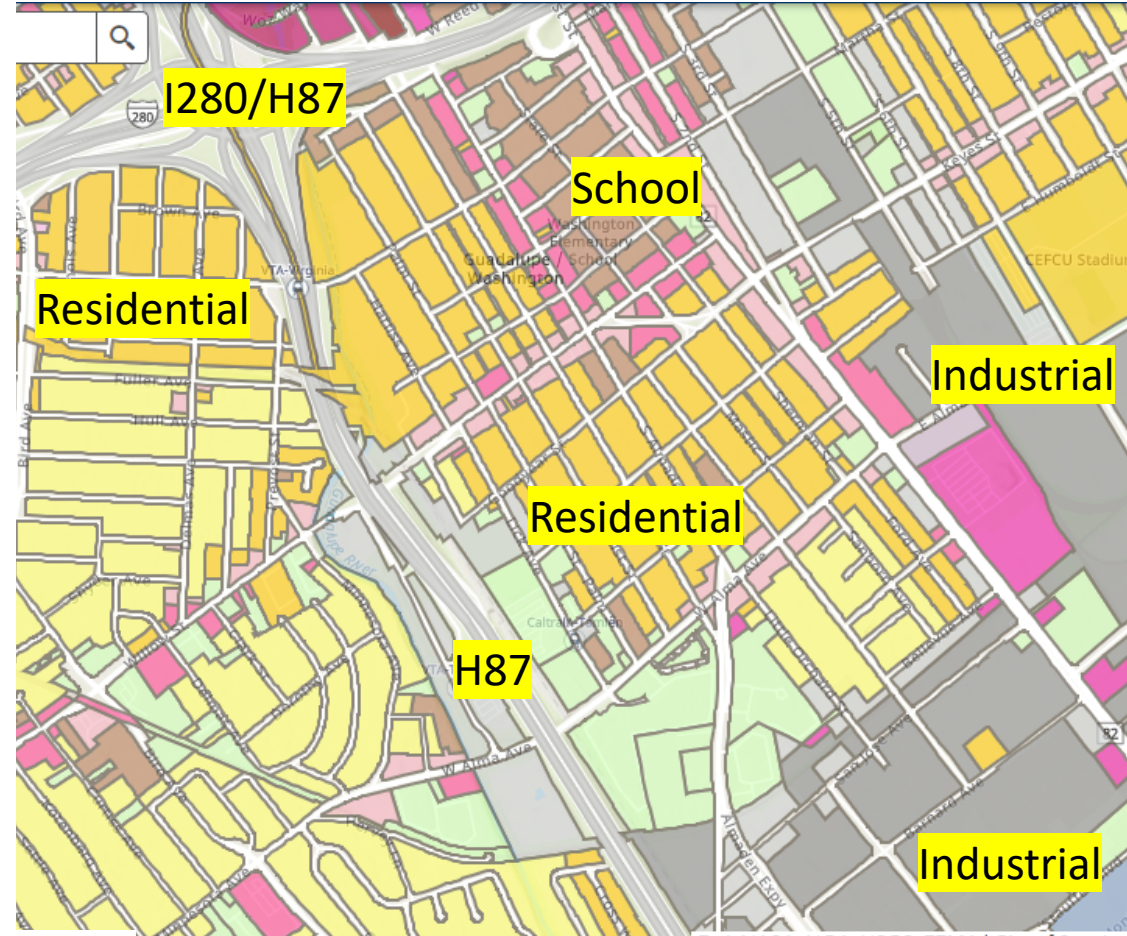
Fused Modeling: Envisioned Area-of-Interest (AOI)

(Example, Alma Neighborhood, Downtown San Jose, CA)



~ 2 x 2 km

zoning map

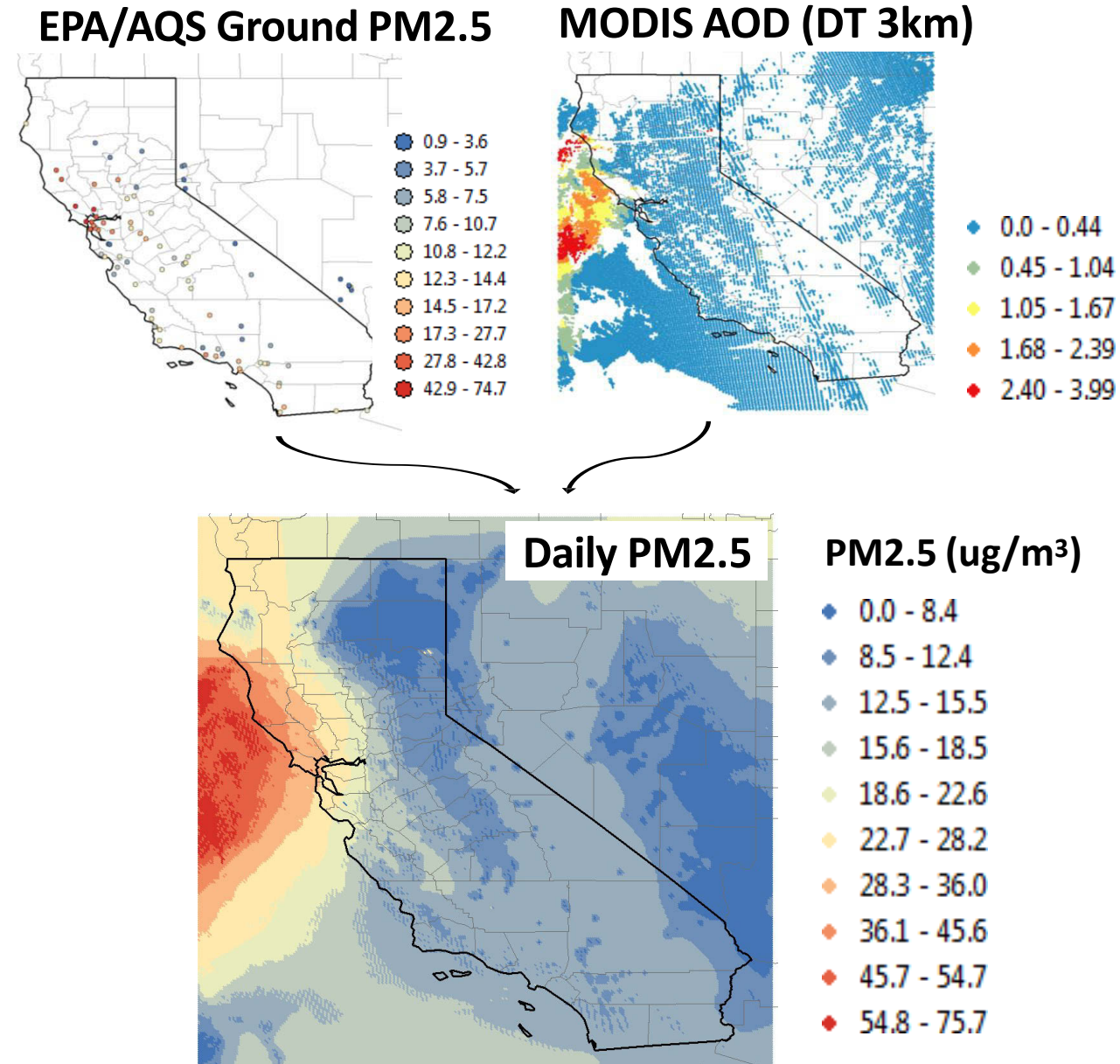


Geostatistical Model: Regional PM2.5*

(Adapted for CA: HAQAST)

Approach

- Ground PM2.5 obs + MODIS AOD
- Daily 3-km PM2.5 Fields
- Computationally efficient



Al-Hamdan et al. (2009), Al-Hamdan et al. (2014)

<https://wonder.cdc.gov/nasa-pm.html>

Example: October 9, 2017
HAQAST TT2 (work in progress ...)

Modeling System: Components

- **Regional PM2.5: Geostatistical Model (USRA-MSFC)**
 - AIRNOW ground PM2.5 & MODIS Dark Target 3-km AOD
 - 3-km fields using over California
- **Finescale PM2.5: Steady-State Dispersion Model (UC Riverside)**
 - Area and line sources
 - Same basic formulations as EPA AERMOD & R-LINE
 - Driven by hourly meteorology
- **HRRR Model Meteorology (NOAA ESRL): Real-Time Met Inputs**
 - 3-km CONUS, operational real-time
 - Drive dispersion model w initial fields of hourly 18-hour HRRR forecast runs
 - Archived at University of Utah Department Atmospheric Science (since mid 2016)

Geostatistical model: Al-Hamdan et al. (2009), Al-Hamdan et al. (2014), <https://wonder.cdc.gov/nasa-pm.html>

Dispersion model: Cimorelli et al. (2005), Snyder et al. (2013), Venkatram et al. (2013), <https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/7/1252>

HRRR Archive: Blaylock et al. (2017), <http://hrrr.chpc.utah.edu/>

Fusion Method

(Applied over a local AOI)

$$\overline{PM2.5(x,y)} = \overline{Geostatistical(x,y)} + \overline{Dispersion Model(x,y)} - \overline{Dispersion Model(x,y)}$$



*Fused field over AOI
(background + local)*



*regional
background*



local variability across AOI

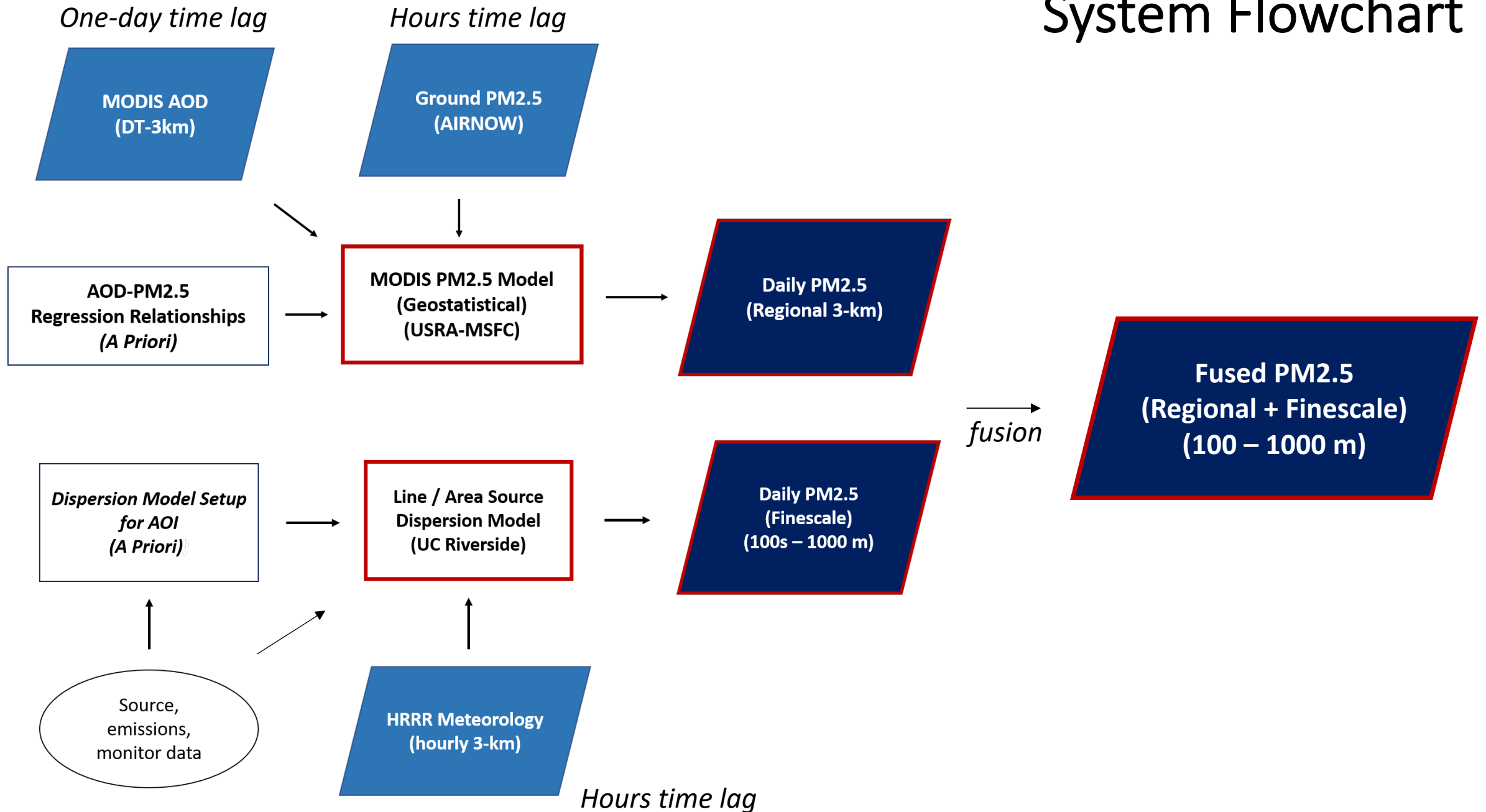


*subtract avg of dispersion
model field across AOI*

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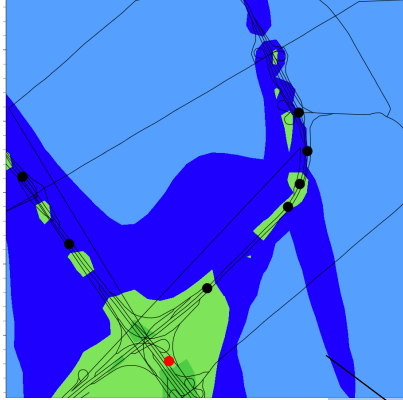
Spatial average over AOI
(can cover single or multiple regional grids)

System Flowchart

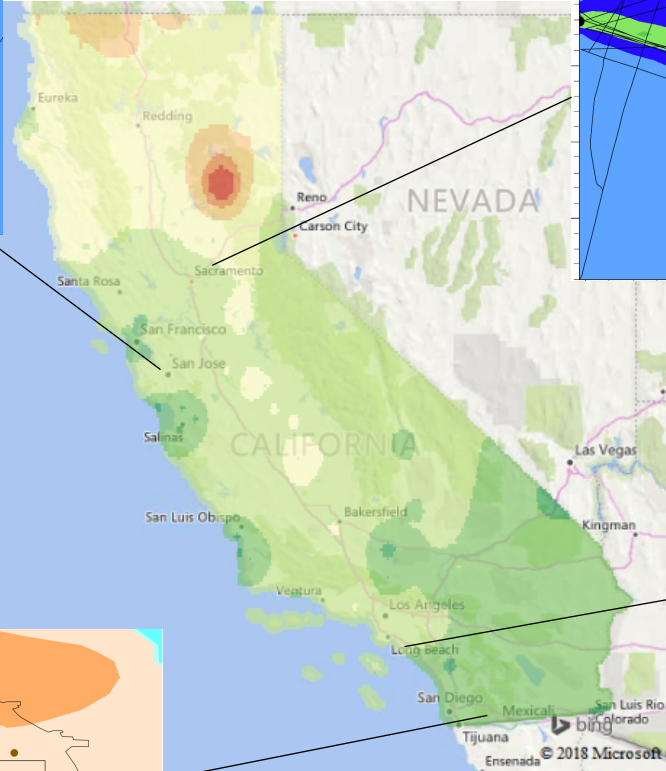


Applications to Date ...

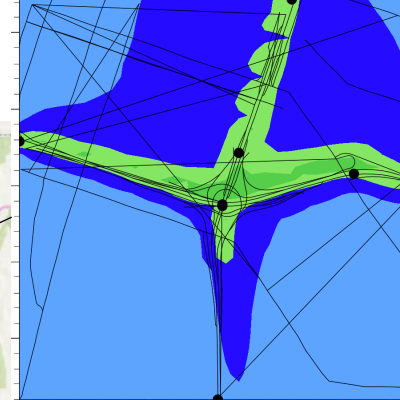
3 km AOI
100 m resolution



MODIS-Derived PM2.5
(Geostatistical Model)
(California, 3-km)

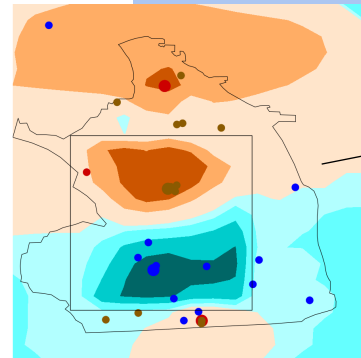


Fused PM2.5 (Freeway Interchange)
Downtown Sacramento (I80/H99)



3 km AOI
100 m resolution

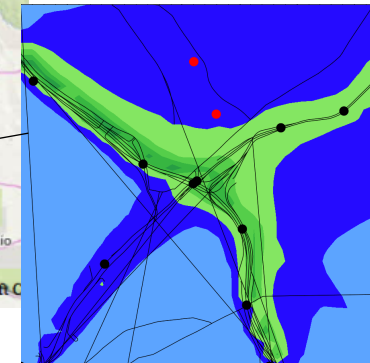
Fused PM2.5 (Freeway Interchange)
Downtown San Jose (H101/I280/I680)



Fused PM2.5: Windblown Dust)
Imperial Valley (CA)

20 x 30 km AOI
3 km resolution

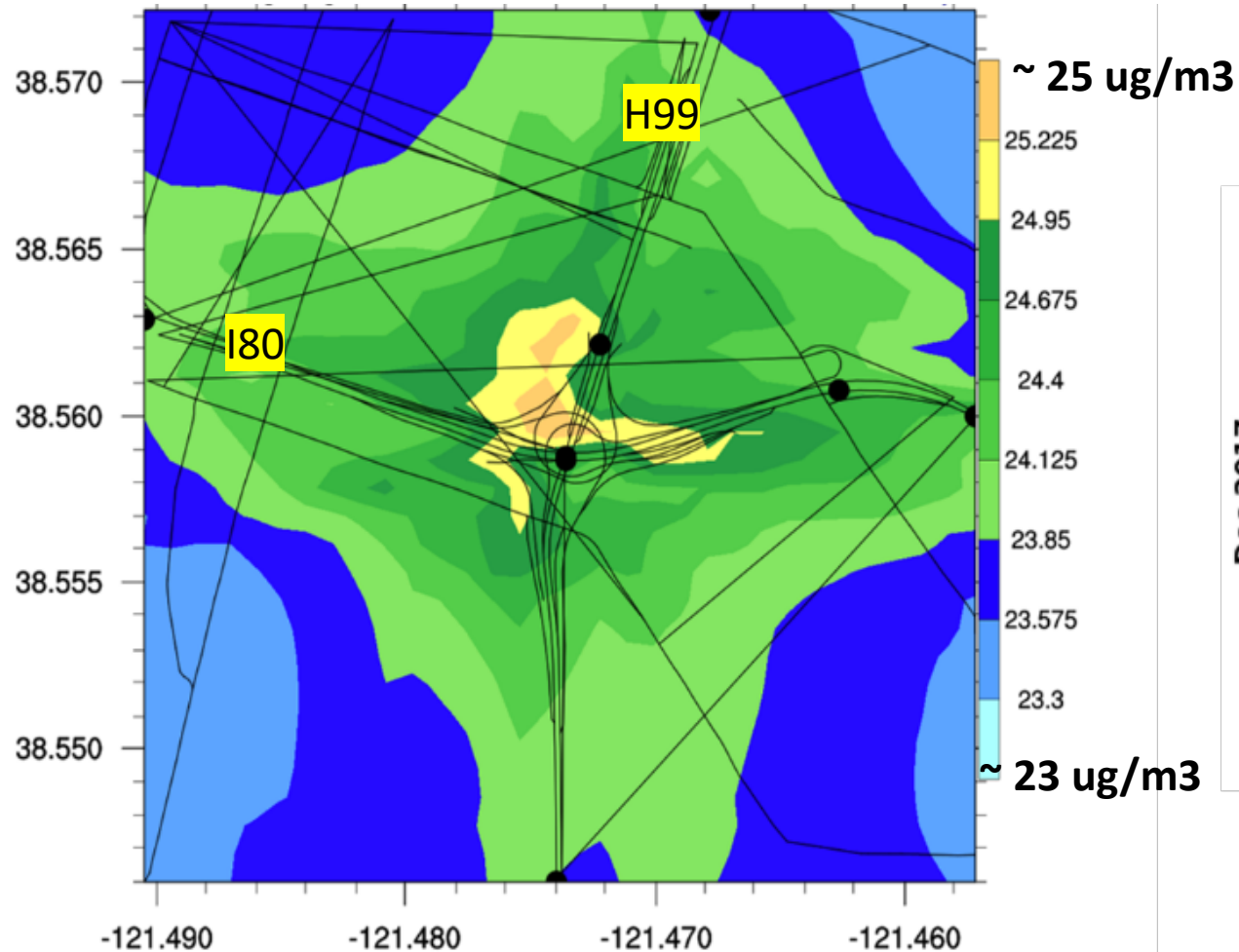
Fused PM2.5 (Freeway Traffic)
Downtown Los Angeles (I5/H110)



3 km AOI
100 m resolution

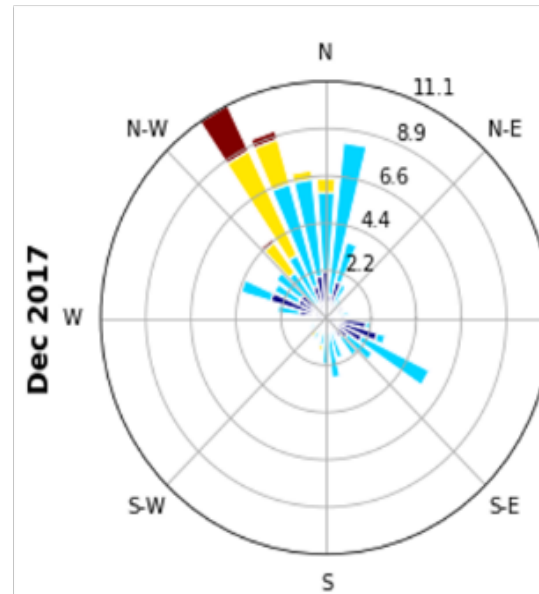
Fused PM2.5 Field

(I80/H99 Interchange, Sacramento) (December 2017)

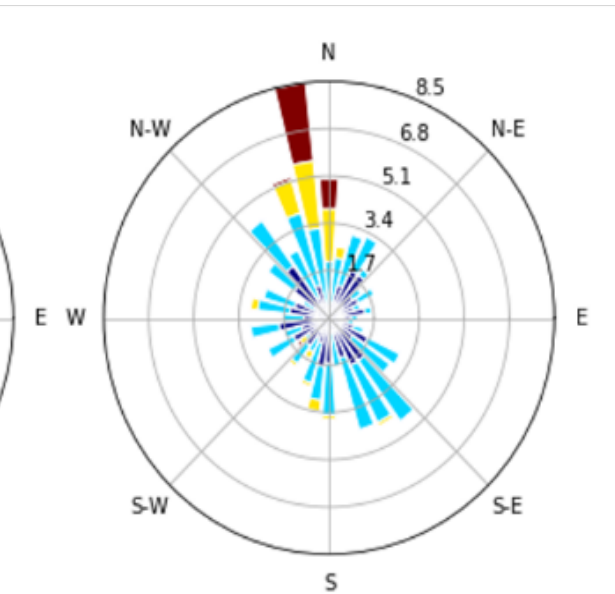


100 m resolution

Observations



HRRR Model



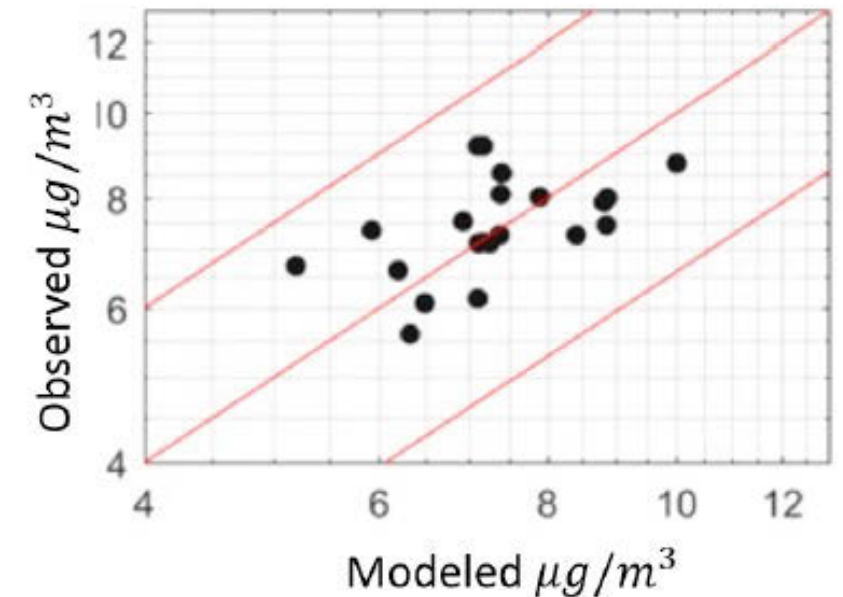
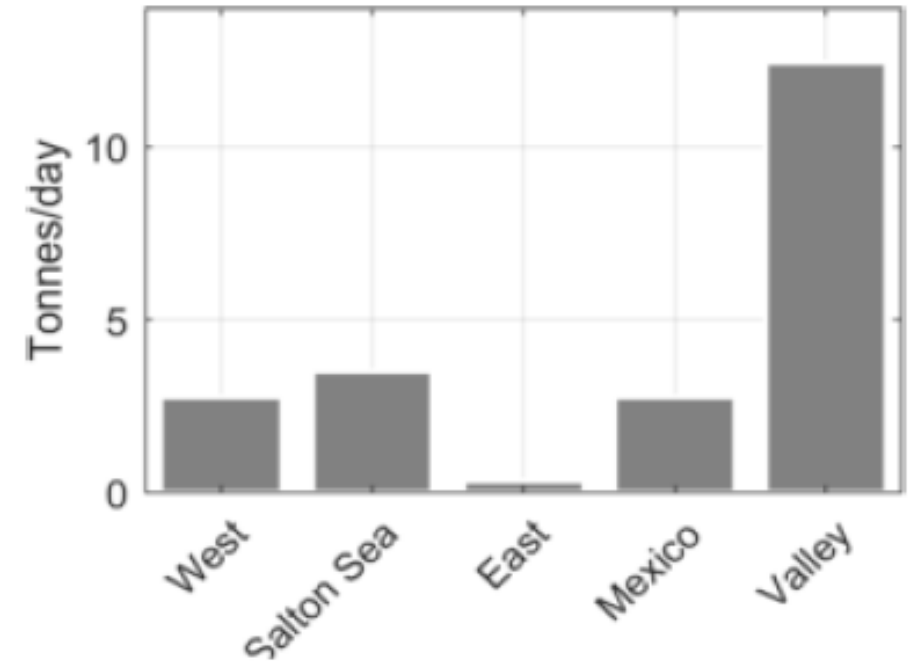
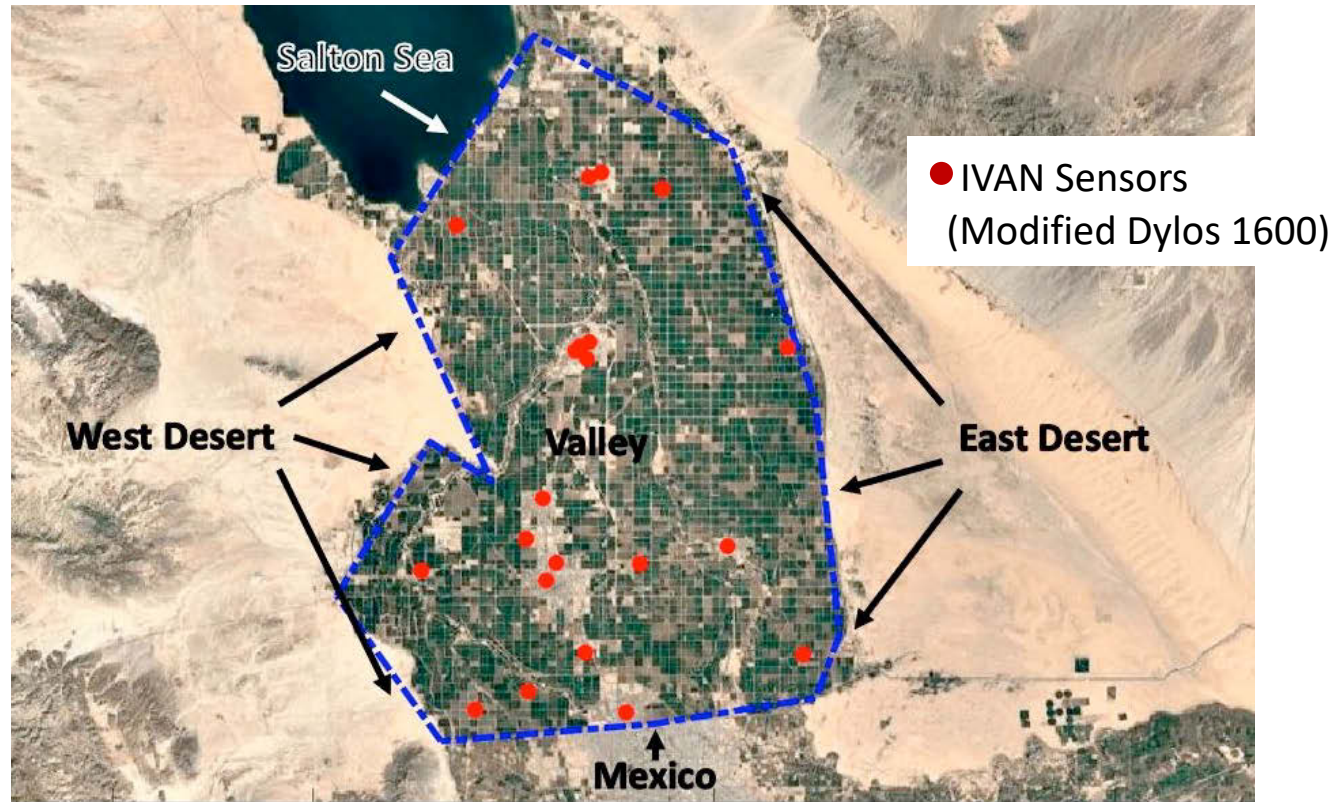
Wind Rose Comparison: Model vs. Observations
(CARB Sacramento T St.; December 2017)

*Implementation w IVAN Low-Cost Sensors
(Windblown Dust Events, Imperial Valley CA)*

Dispersion Model Emissions Fitting

(Imperial Valley, Tiger Team 1)

<https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/7/1252>



IVAN data: <https://ivan-imperial.org/>

Comite Civico Del Valle; Luis Olmeda, Paul English, Edmund Seto, Jeff Wagner; English et al. (2017), Carvlin et al. (2017), Wong et al. (2018)

MAIAC AOD atop IVAN Low-Cost PM2.5

(Windblown Dust, Imperial Valley, HAQAST TT1)

**Composite: Windblown Dust Events
(11 days, Spring 2016)**

State Agency Monitors

Niland (N)

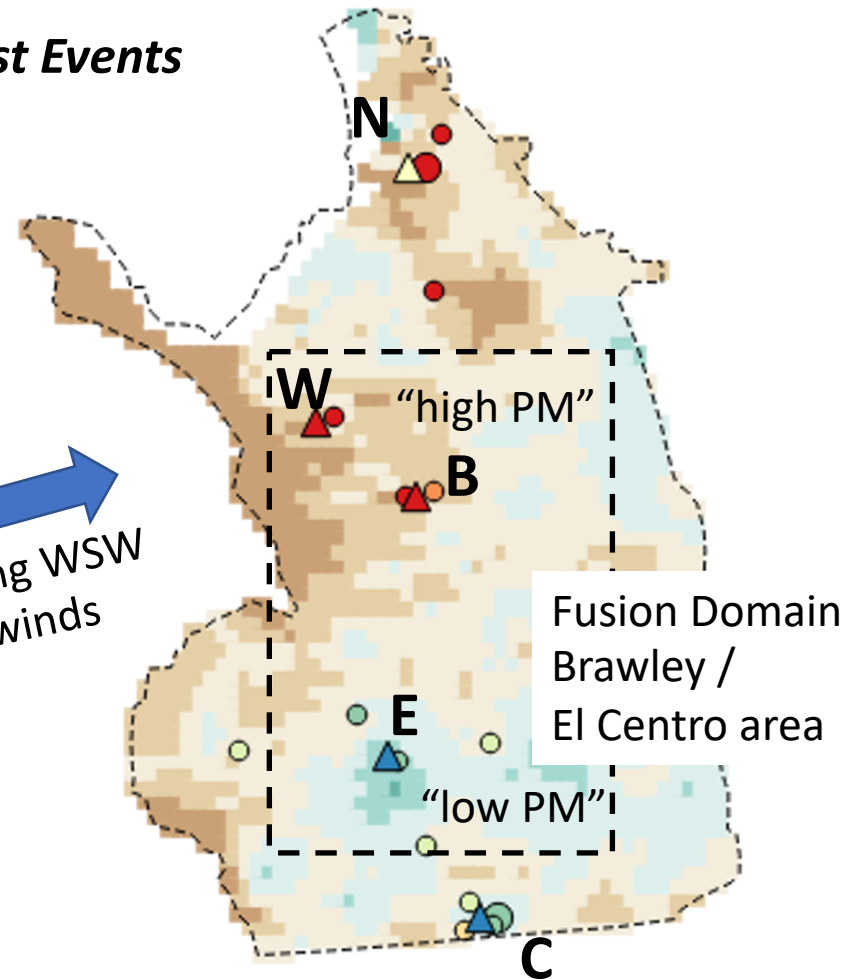
Westmorland (W)

Brawley (B)

El Centro (E)

Calexico (C)

strong WSW
winds



AOD

0.080 - 0.100

0.100 - 0.120

0.120 - 0.140

0.140 - 0.160

0.160 - 0.180

0.180 - 0.300

MAIAC

PM₁₀ (µg/m³)

50 - 70

70 - 90

90 - 110

110 - 130

130 - 160

BAMS PM10

PM_{2.5} (µg/m³)

4.0 - 7.0

7.0 - 10.0

10.0 - 13.0

13.0 - 16.0

16.0 - 20.0

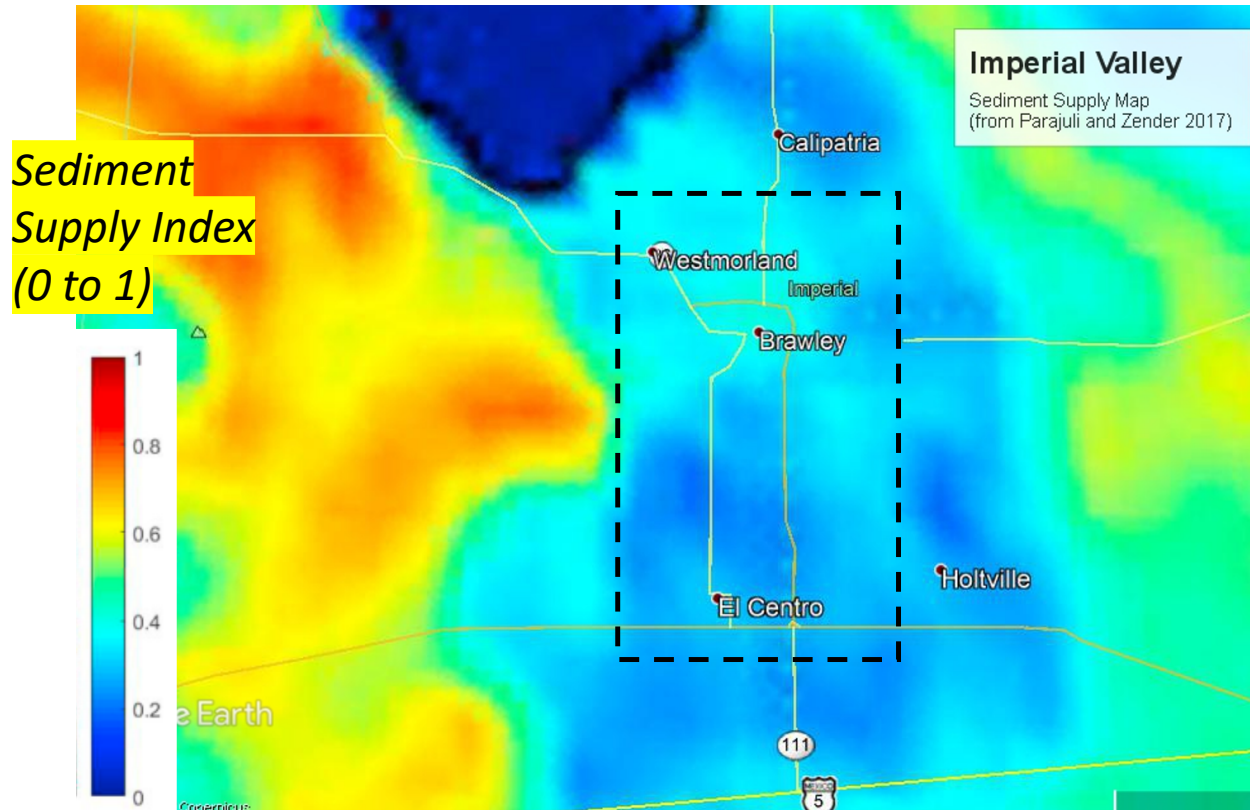
20.0 - 30.0

IVAN PM2.5 (small symbols)

AIRNOW PM2.5 (large symbols)

Dispersion Model Setup

Sediment supply field

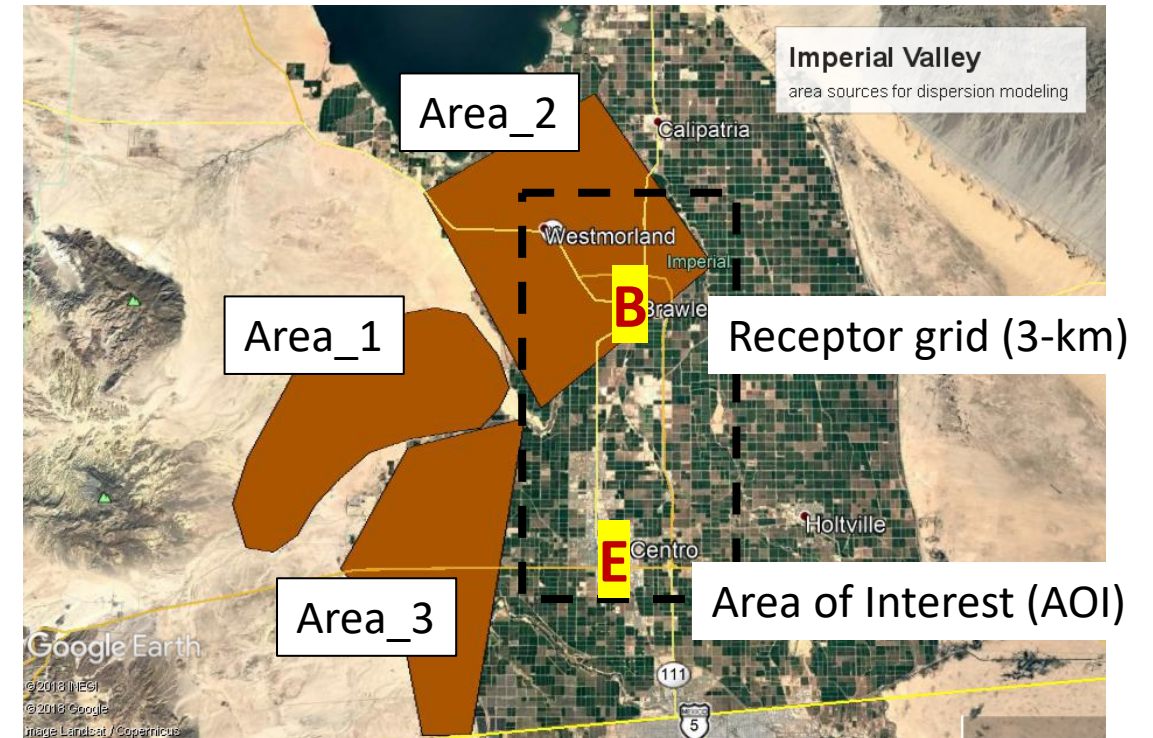


Sediment supply field

Parajuli and Zender, 2017

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aeolia.2018.05.004>

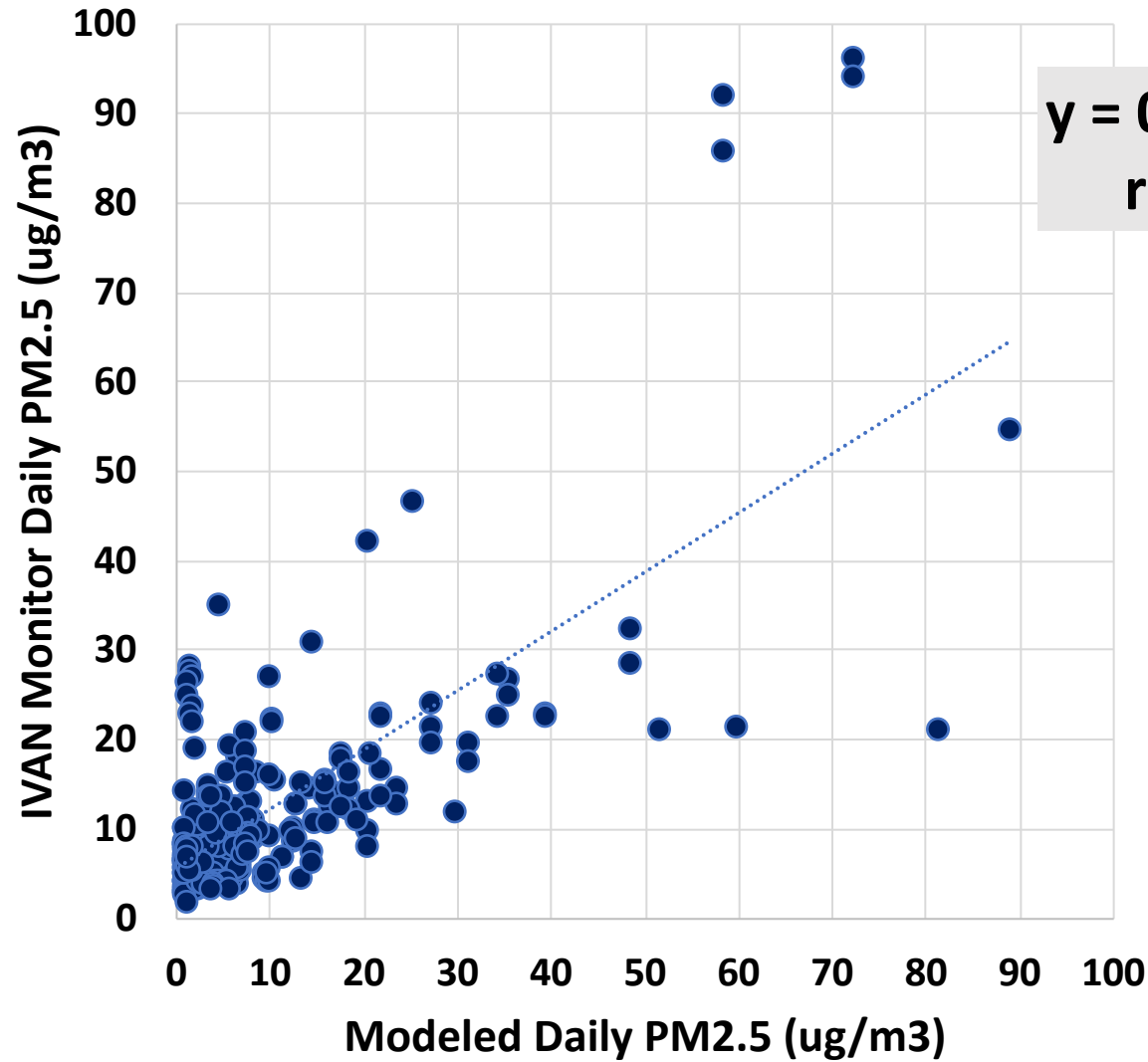
Model Area Sources



DUSTRAN Model Emissions: Area_1(t), Area_2(t), Area_3(t)
Regress against IVAN PM_{2.5}: determine c1, c2, c3
(independent set of 2017 springtime windblown dust days)

Fitted Dispersion Model PM2.5

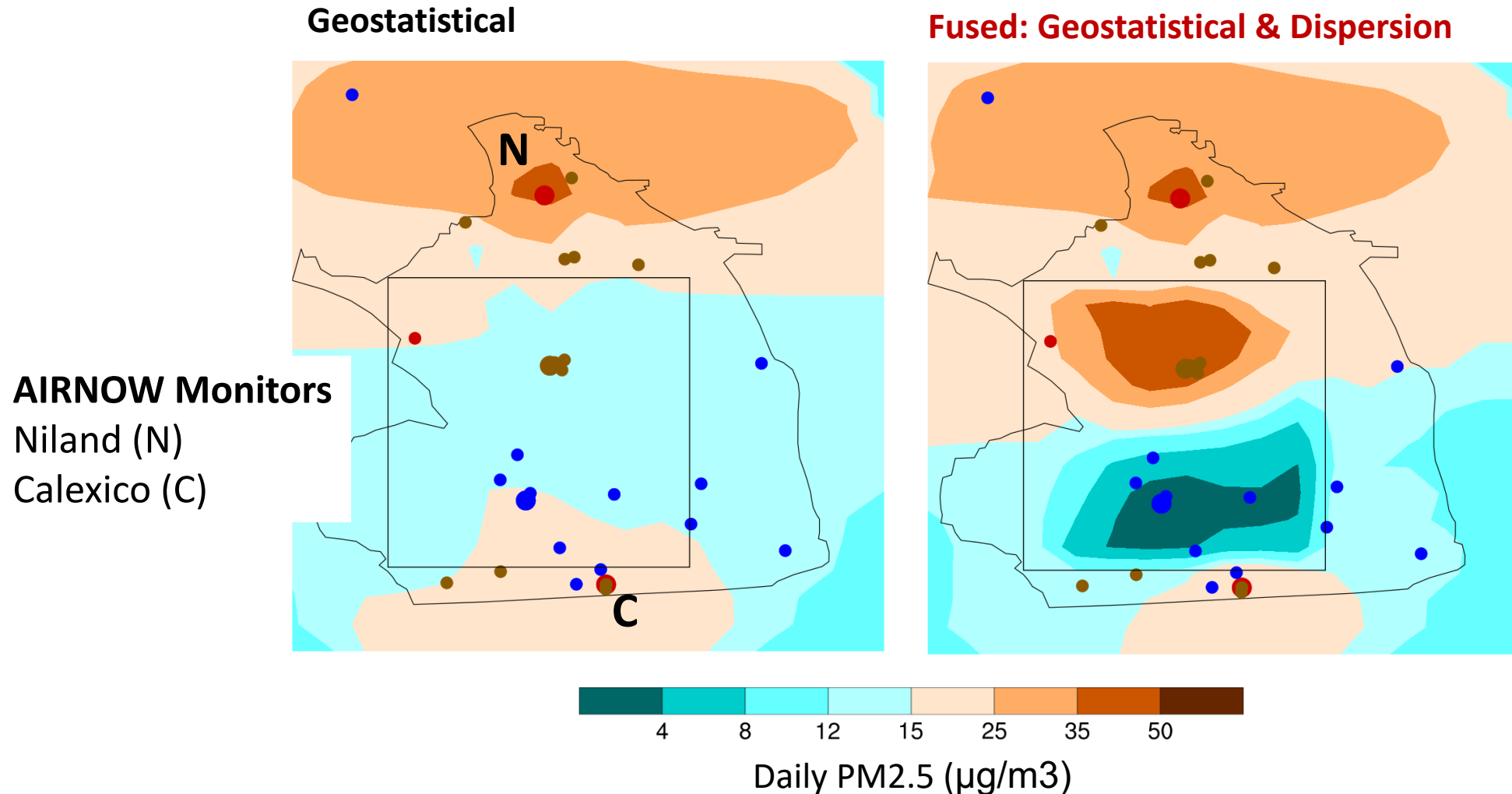
(Imperial Valley, 20 Wind Blown Dust Days, March - June 2017)



$$\text{Emissions} = c1 * \text{Area_1}(t) + c2 * \text{Area_2}(t) + c3 * \text{Area_3}(t)$$
$$c1 = 0.06, c2 = 0.41, c3 = 0.13$$

Fused Modeling: Fitted Dispersion Model

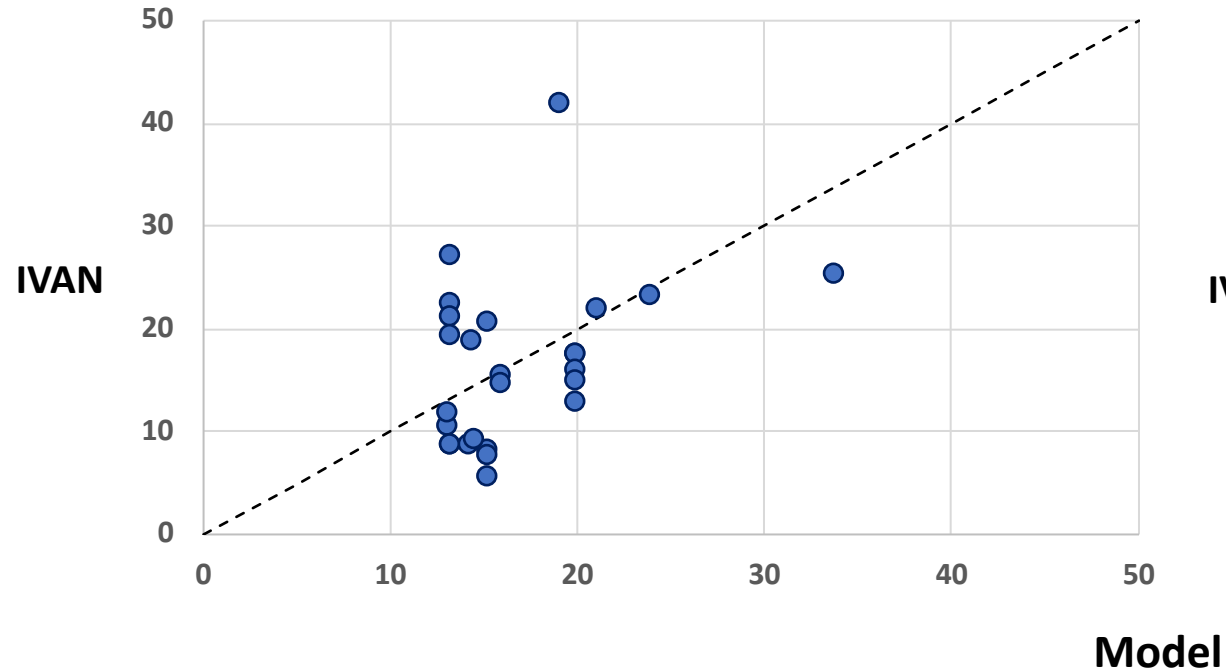
(Example Day: May 25, 2017)



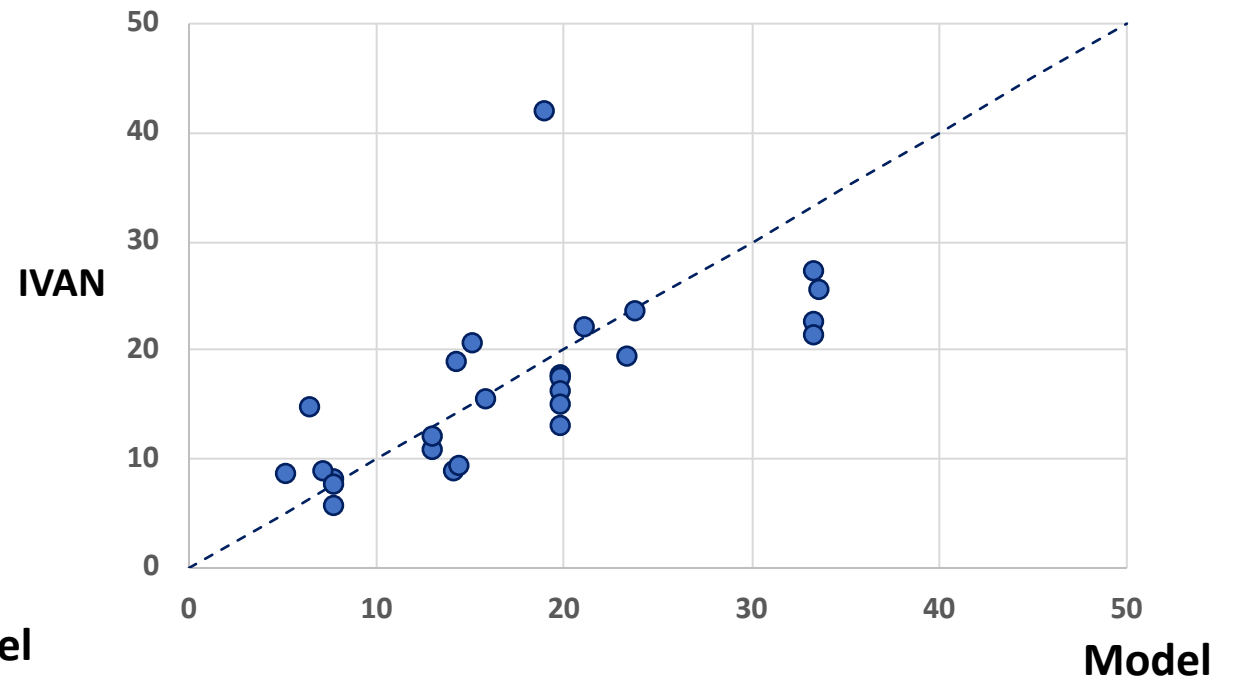
Model vs. IVAN PM2.5*

(Imperial Valley Windblown Dust Event, May 25, 2017)

Geostatistical

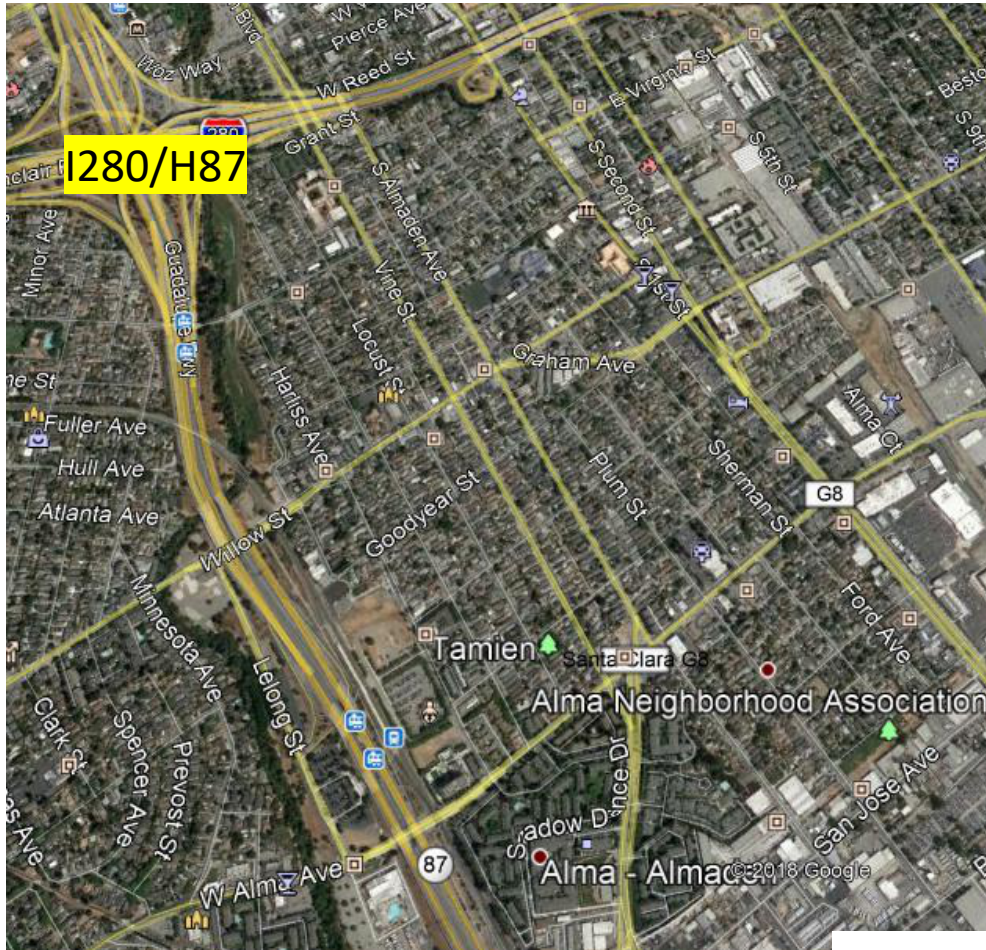


Fused Model: Geostatistical & Dispersion



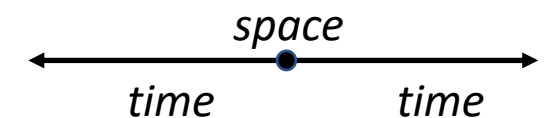
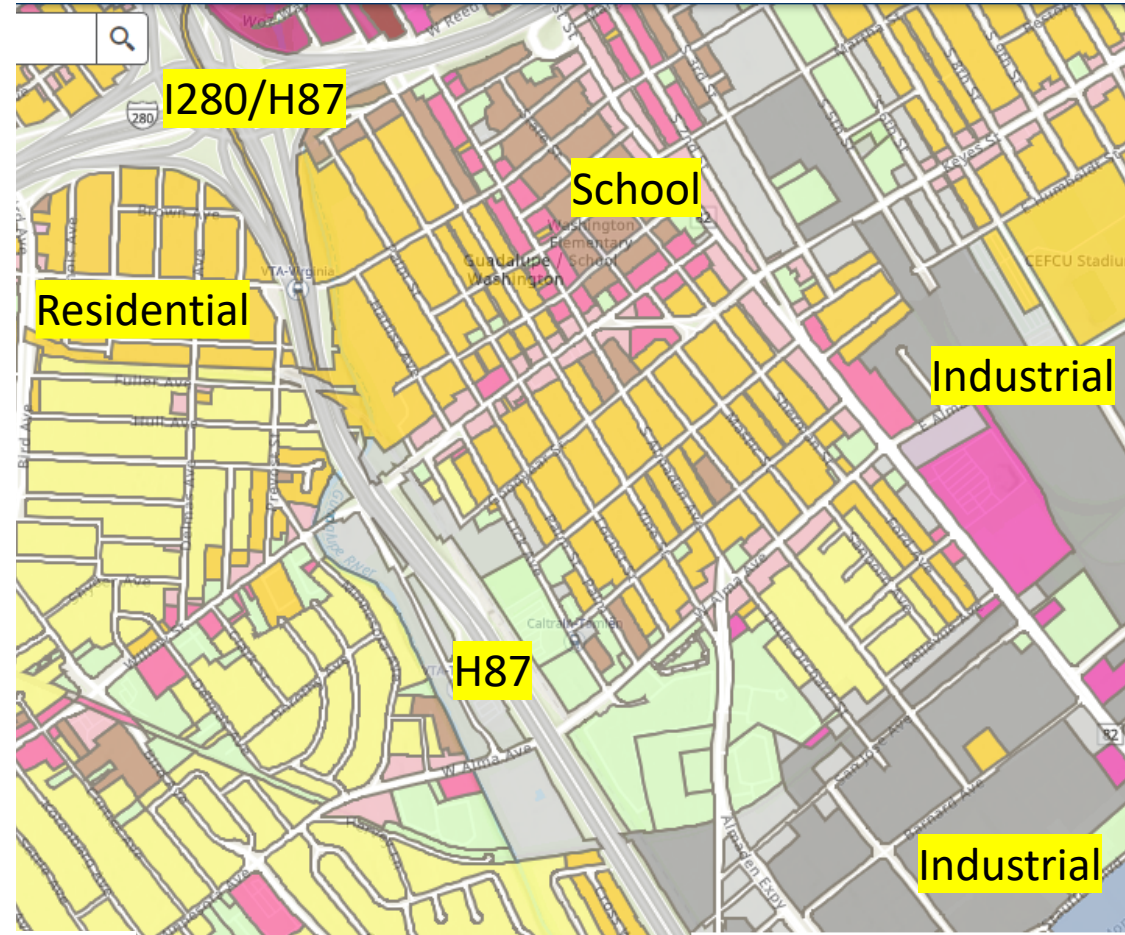
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Summary

- System is developed & running
- Results to date promising (limited & ongoing evaluation ...)
- Main challenges & future work
 - AOD-PM2.5 relationship for geostatistical model
 - Configuration of dispersion model for an AOI (Emissions? Sources?)
 - Long-term field evaluation at fine scale
 - Ongoing low-cost sensor development & deployments



Year 3 Progress Update, PI Minghui Diao

Core Project: Downscaling Satellite Derived PM_{2.5} Fields for California using Dispersion Modeling

- 1. Satellite-derived PM_{2.5} grids
 - Constructed preliminary daily AOD-derived PM_{2.5} surfaces for California for 2006 - 2017;
 - System running in real-time at SJSU (<http://www.met.sjsu.edu/weather/HAQAST/>)
 - *A review paper of satellite PM_{2.5} fields is in revision stage (JAE&WMA) led by Minghui Diao w HAQAST co-authors.*
- 2. Visualization of satellite-derived PM_{2.5} grids (complete)
 - Develop visualization of MAIAC AOD and derived PM_{2.5} on selected days (LA, Bay Area, Imperial Valley);
 - <https://www.cloud-research.org/haqast-project>
- 3. Dispersion model Downscaling
 - System running in real-time at SJSU (<http://www.met.sjsu.edu/weather/HAQAST/>)
 - Published important developmental work: <https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/7/1252>
 - Conference paper on approach: http://www.met.sjsu.edu/weather/HAQAST/articles/Freedman_CMAS2017_Technical_Abstract.pdf

Tiger Teams

- TT#1: Community Scale PM_{2.5} Exposure (complete)
 - Completed UNC PAS low-cost samplers study w Maria Castillo, Pat Kinney, Jeff Wagner. Paper in revision stage (Atmos. Environ.)
 - Imperial Valley: Published article on dispersion modeling of 2017 PM_{2.5} using IVAN low-cost sensors <https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/7/1252>
 - Imperial Valley: A paper submitted to Remote Sensing of Environment on MAIAC AOD detection of windblown dust events
- TT#2 led by Susan O'Neill (PI) and Minghui Diao (co-I) (on-going)
 - Developing surface PM_{2.5} derived from satellite data for the duration of the California wildfire in October – November 2017 (finished)
 - Developing plume injection height product from satellite (finished)
 - A paper in preparation for wildfire projects with multiple groups

1 paper published

2 papers submitted (1 in revision stage)

3 in preparation