Introdução a Física Atmosférica -PGF-3521 Aula 4 – Water vapor transport in South America

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Tropic of Capricorn

S30° Image Landsat Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO Image U.S. Geological Survey N10°

Google earth

Tropic of

Total column water vapor

WATERVAPOR COMPOSITE FROM 22 APR 17 AT 15:00 UTC (SSEC:UW-MADISON)



GOES, Meteosat, and MTSAT http://www.ssec.wisc.edu/data/comp/wvmoll.html

Austral Summer Precipitation 79-06



GPCP, mm/day

Precipitation, PWV and Vapor transport GPCP + ERA40 1989-2009

Nov-Mar



Arraut et al, J. Clim, 2012

Nov-Mar



Atmospheric Rivers

Morphed composite: 2010-12-18 00:00:00 UTC



Satellite water-vapor measurements from Dec. 18, 2010, show an atmospheric river making landfall in California. Water vapor data from SSMI. Credit: Bin Guan, NASA/JPL-Caltech and UCLA.

South American Monsoon





Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of elements relevant to poleward moisture transport over South America. Blue and green arrows depict the moisture transport into the continent from the tropical and South Atlantic Ocean, respectively. The inset represents a vertical cross section of the northerly flow along the red dashed line displayed in the diagram, including wind and temperature profiles representative of the LLJ core.



NASA (Adapted from Myneni et al. 2007)

Correlation maps



IPCC AR4, Figure 3.27, Source: Trenberth and Caron (2000)

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What if both variables are 2D x t?



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Take the Pearson's **correlation**, **for each pair** of points:

$$\rho_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{\operatorname{cov}^{t}(P_{i,j}, MT_{k,l})}{std^{t}(P_{i,j})std^{t}(MT_{k,l})}$$

 Se não sabemos estudar estas correlações complicadas, podemos fazer da maneira tradicional...

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OCEAN-AMAZON, Vapor mix ratio AIRS, ERA, NCEP 2003-2009

Nov-Mar

Jul-Aug



FIG. 6. Mean seasonal vertically integrated moisture transport (arrows) and its divergence (colors, mm day⁻¹) are shown for NM, AJ, JA, and SO.



FIG. 7. Water balance (Gt day⁻¹) for the area depicted in Fig. 6 ($23^{\circ}-10^{\circ}$ S, $70^{\circ}-50^{\circ}$ W) for the dry months between 1989 and 2008. Inflow is divided into two contributions: Amazonia (open circle) and Atlantic Ocean (filled circle). Discharge (+) is the outflow from this region into the subtropics, and the residue (squares) is the difference between inflows and outflows. The line without symbols is the precipitation averaged over $34^{\circ}-23^{\circ}$ S, $57^{\circ}-48^{\circ}$ W.

Again, a simple correlation gives:

Nov-Mar

Jul-Aug





Arraut et al, J. Clim, 2012







Fig. 1. Contours show ϕ_{850} (m) at 12Z 24th Dec 91. Polygons delimit search regions for: minimums of ϕ_{850} (dotted red); NAL position (red); AC position (blue). Markers indicate: lows (red), NAL (big red), cols (blue), AC (blue square)



Frontogenesis in θe (K/100km/day)

Barbosa and Arraut, Adv. Geo. 2009



Wind at 250hPa m/s

Moisture transport Kg/m/s

Precipitation +1 day mm/day

Fig. 3. Composites for cases with (left) and without (right) AC and LPT inside the selected region. From top to bottom, the panels show geopotential height (m) and FG_3 (K/100 km/day) at 850 hPa, wind vectors and its magnitude (m/s) at 250 hPa, vertically integrated humidity transport and its magnitude (kg/m/s), and precipitation (mm/day) with 1-day lag.

Arraut and Barbosa, Adv. Geo. 2009



• Mas conseguimos lidar com aquelas correções de 4 termos??

What if both variables are 2D x t?

$$\rho_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{\operatorname{cov}^{t}(P_{i,j}, MT_{k,l})}{std^{t}(P_{i,j})std^{t}(MT_{k,l})}$$

Set a threshold for correlations to be considered important, and draw links between points with high correlation.



Complex Networks

 "In the context of network theory, a complex network is a graph (network) with non-trivial topological features —features that do not occur in simple networks such as lattices or random graphs but often occur in graphs modeling real systems". - Wikipedia



Examples:

- people that are friends
- computers that are interconnected
- web pages that point to each other
- proteins that interact
- brain cells transmitting information
- phone-call networks
- transportation networks
- transmission grids

Complex brain network topology produced by a simple two-parameter model.



National Academy of Sciences PNAS 2012;109:5549-5550



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Robust classification of salient links in complex networks https://www.nature.com/articles/ncomms1847 research papers on 'hepatitis C virus'. Each of the 8,500 spots is a single author, and the lines between spots represent co-authorship across scientific papers.



http://social-physics.net/visualizing-scientific-collaboration-using-pubmed/









Physics Today 70, 1, 32 (2017)

Basic measures

- Degree distribution (number of edges)
 - 1v/1e; 3v/2e; 1v/3e





 d(i) = number of edges between neighbors divided by maximum possible





Properties of Real Networks

- Most vertices have only a small number of neighbors (degree), but there are some vertices with very high degree (power-law degree distribution)
 - scale-free networks
- If a vertex **x** is connected to **y** and **z**, then **y** and **z** are likely to be connected
 - high clustering coefficient
- Most vertices are just a few edges away on average.
 - small world networks

My intent today is...

Give examples of how we applied Complex Networks for

- 1. Propagation of extreme events
- 2. Cascading moisture recycling
- 3. Self-amplified forest loss (with climate change)
- 4. Hysteresis of deforestation

Summer Precipitation



Extreme precipitation events



Figure 1 | Geographic and climatic setting. (a) Topography and simplified South American Monsoon System mechanisms. The boxes labelled 1 to 7 indicate the climatological propagation path of extreme events as revealed by the network analysis. (b) 99th percentile of hourly rainfall during DJF derived from TRMM 3B42V7 (ref. 27 in the spatial domain 85°W to 30°W and 40°S to 15°N, at a horizontal resolution of 0.25° × 0.25° and 3-hourly temporal resolution. (c) Fraction of total DJF rainfall accounted for by events above the 99th percentile. (d) Trend lines for the number of extreme

Boers et al, Nature Comm. 2014

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event synchronization

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network construction

represent strongest synchronizations (2%) as directed and weighted network links:

 $A = (A_{ij})_{1 \le i,j \le N}$

definition:

in-strength(i) = sum of all weights at links pointing to i:

out-strength(i) = sum of all weights at links pointing from i:

network divergence = Δ strength(i) = in-strength(i) - out-strength(i):





$$\Delta \mathcal{S}(i) = \mathcal{I}S(i) - \mathcal{O}S(i)$$

SESA OUT strengh

IN strengh



Boers et al, Nature Comm. 2014

ECA OUT strengh IN strengh



Boers et al, Nature Comm. 2014

Network Divergence



Can we predict?



Besides the

- Saddle point
- Low pressure tongue
- NA Low
- Through
- ...
- There is a Rossby wave train propagating from the extra tropics!

Boers, Barbosa et al, J. Clim. (2015)



What is the role of Amazon?

Prec SE?





2-Layer Moisture Transport Model





Moisture (complex) network



Total evapotranspiration in grid cell 1

Total precipitation in grid cell 1

Amount of evapotranspiration in grid cell 2 precipitating in grid cell 1

Amount of locally recycled moisture in grid cell 2

Atmospheric moisture in grid cell 1

Grid cell

Just for grid 2 E2 = m22 + m23 + m24 P2 = m22 + m12

Zemp et al, ACP 2014

Cascading



Different paths for water, and possible cascading before getting to "final" destination!

Zemp et al, ACP 2014

Cascading

- For 45% of the pairs of nodes, the direct transport the most important
- Hence, for 55% a transport with at least one stop is more efficient!



Fig. - Distribution of optimal paths For 0 steps, local recycling For 2 steps, direct transport For 3 or more steps, path with cascading



DRY

WET

Malhi *et al.*, **Exploring the likelihood and mechanism of a climate-change induced dieback of the Amazon rainforest**, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 2010



Probability of finding forest



Figure 2 | Probability of finding forest in tropical South America depending on rainfall regime. (a) Frequency distribution of tree-cover (TC) data (MOD448 v5 for the period 2001-2010) and associated land-cover types (from GLC2000 classification). (b) Probability of finding forest (TC≥55%) as a function of mean annual precipitation (MAP) and maximum cumulative water deficit (MCWD) calculated from a logistic regression model (equation (4 and 5)) using monthly rainfall data (TRMM 3B42 for the period 2000-2012).

Zemp et al., Nature Comm. (2017)





Non-linear response



One-way coupling P→Veg Fully coupled system P←→Veg

Zemp et al., Nature Comm. (2017)

End of 21st century

- Self-amplified forest loss increases nonlinearly with decreasing oceanic moisture inflow because of:
 - 1. a nonlinear decrease of forest resilience,
 - 2. a stronger reduction of evapotranspiration after forest loss and
 - 3. an increased contribution of moisture recycling to total rainfall



Figure 5 | Self-amplified forest loss for the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) and for the end of the twenty-first century. (a,d) Most frequent vegetation cover for 1,000 realizations of the cascade model. (b,e) Shifting frequency of Amazon forest. (c,f) Share of cascading effects in causing forest shifts (see Methods). Results are shown (a-c) for the 'LGM' scenario and (d-f) for the 'end of twenty-first century' scenario (see Methods).

Zemp et al., Nature Comm. (2017)

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It could be that...

- 1. Land-use changes that reduce recycling over the Amazon...
- 2. will reduce the water vapor transport southward (> previously imagined without cascading)...
- 3. less transport => less precipitation downwind...
- 4. Important question : How much can we reduce the moisture flux before reaching a tipping point?



1d dynamical system



isolation of the specific relationship between a deforestationinduced decrease of surface heat flux (including, in particular, the decrease of E), and the positive feedback associated with atmospheric LH release

Our simple model:

• From the conservation equations, we wrote a non-linear set considering moisture transport and evap/convergence feedback:

atmos: $A_i(t+1) = A_i(t) + E_i(t) - P_i(t) - \frac{W_i(t)A_i(t) - W_{i-1}(t)A_{i-1}(t)}{l}$ ocean: $S_i(t+1) = S_i(t) + P_i(t) - E_i(t) - R_i(t)$,

• Wind = sum of "trade winds" slowing down towards the Andes

$$W_i^{trade} = (w_0 - w_c) \left(1 + \frac{1}{1 + e^{w_1 * i - w_2}}\right)$$

• And a wind dependent
$$W_c \text{ gives the coupling strength}$$

$$W_i^H(t) = w_c L_1(t) \left(1 + \frac{1}{1 + e^{w_1 * i - w_2}}\right)$$

Boers et al., Nature Scientific Reports (2017)

Our simple model (2)

- We also need to calculate, based on empirically fitting the observations,
 - Precip:
 - P = p1 + po * A
 - Evap: E = eo / (1 + e(S-e2))
 - and Runoff:
 R = ro exp (r1*S)





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Deforesting 1->100 (east->west)



Boers et al., Nature Scientific Reports (2017)

Is it reversible?



Boers et al., Nature Scientific Reports (2017)



GNSS Dense Network





Figure 3. A typical afternoon deep convective event over INPA GNSS/meteorological station. The upper plot contains PWV (blue dots) versus average cloud top temperature (red) and precipitation rate (bars). The 'ramp-up' time calculated for the average $\Delta PWV/\Delta t$ (between triangles) represents the timescale of column convergence (see Equation (2) and text for discussion). The bottom graph plots wind speed (red), temperature (black) and PWV(blue) for the deep convective event.

- Adams et al, Atmos. Sci. Let. 2011
- Adams et al, BAMS 2014 (accepted)







Experimento GoAmazon 2014


T3 site – 70km downwind



Photo: R. Thalman

- Thalman
 Mixed medium-field
 Manaus aged plume
 and clean conditions
 - Affected by long and short-range BB



Photo: J. Beat



-80 -70 -60 -50 -40 -30 Temp. Celsius

Eventos convectivos com CTT



- Queda de pelo menos 50K em 2h
- T0 = horário de mínimo CTT
- Presença de precipitação
- Presenção de rajada de vento















FIG. 1. Map of the Manaus Dense GNSS Meteorological Network from April 2011 to April 2012. The color scheme represents the frequency of PWV data (11256 total data values) for the 67 convective events used in this study. GOAM data were not utilized. PDAQ failed in October and was not utilized in the PWV anomaly plot (Figure 4), but was used in correlation vs distance statistics to better assess the data-denial tests.



FIG. 4. Plot of PWV anomalies (mm) fields calculated from average of 67 convective events for 5 hours before convective events.





FIG. 2. Scatterplot of correlation vs separation distance as a function of different one-hour time bins, between t = 0h and t = -6h for the 67 events. The slope of the fitted lines is statistically significant at the 95th percentile.



FIG. 3. Temporal evolution of correlation vs separation distance slope with exponential fit and error bars for 67 convective events. Both 1 hour (blue lines and circles) and 30 minute (red line and x symbols) time bins are included for comparison purposes. Functional form, average decay timescale, τ and 95th percentile confidence intervals are shown.



FIG. 5. Temporal evolution of correlation vs separation distance slope with exponential fit and error bars for wet (red, 24 events) versus dry and dry-to-wet season (blue, 27 events). The 16 events occurring during the wet-to-dry transition are not included.







Speed of light is 3 x 10⁸ m/s and we measure at 20Mhz, hence vertical resolution is 7.5m

We measure light intensity vs time



Lidar



Cirrus Clouds

- Cirrus found from 8 to 19.6km
 - Base 12.5±2.4 km
 - Top 14.2±2.2 km



Barja & Gouveia, priv comm

Cirrus cloud cover at Manaus





Observations of CCN and AOT



CCN concentrations and AOT over the cleanest continental sites are similar to the cleanest marine sites!

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Google earth

Equator

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