Preparation of the First National Emissions Inventory for Modeling in Mexico

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Background

- The data and report of the first national emission inventory for Mexico (MNEI) were published in September, 2006.
- National Institute of Ecology (INE) is adapting the CAMx model to Mexican conditions in order to evaluate emission control measures at a national level in the near future.
- Emissions input data to CAMx are being processed with SMOKE modeling system at INE with support from UNC.
Characteristics of the MNEI, 1999

- Coverage
  - States (32)
  - Municipal (2,443)

- Sources (#SCC’s)
  - Point (28)
  - Area (46)
  - On road mobile (7)
  - Nonroad (2)
  - Natural sources (2)

- Pollutants
  - CO, NOx, SOx, PM10, PM2.5, VOC and NH3
Objective

Use the SMOKE modeling system to prepare the MNEI for annual and episodic air quality modeling with CAMx on one parent grid and four nested grids with CB-IV chemical speciation.
## Modeling domains

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Methodology: Temporal profiles

- Currently using U.S. temporal profiles assigned by SCC
- Recommendations
  - Collect operational data from high priority sources and develop Mexico-specific profiles
  - Use fuel sales trends for combustion source profiles
Methodology: Spatial allocation

- Area, nonroad and on road sources allocated using 19 surrogates
  - Created with The Emission Modeling Framework Surrogate Tool
- Point sources allocated by lat-lon coordinates
- Recommendations
  - Evaluate the representativeness of the surrogates created
  - Improve point source location data (>50% were located at municipality/locality centroid)
Methodology: Chemical Speciation

- Currently using US profiles assigned by SCC
  - SPECIATE 3.0 profiles
  - U.S. data based on limited source test

- Recommendations
  - Source testing to develop Mexico profiles
  - Try to adapt available information for Mexico City Metropolitan Area to whole country
  - Lower priority than other parameters due to technical difficult and expense
Results: Spatial Surrogates

- Brick kilns
- Mobile sources
- Population
- Housing
- Residential heating
- Total road miles
- Total railroads miles
- Total agriculture
- Forest land
- Land area
- Commercial land
- Industrial Land
- Commercial plus industrial land
- Commercial plus institutional land
- Housing
- Residential + Commercial + Industrial + Government
- Personal repair
- Airport Point
- Marine Ports
Results: Spatial Surrogates Population

Surrogate for:
- Solvent Utilization
- Miscellaneous Non-industrial: Consumer and Commercial
- Etc.

Shape file created from Census 2000
Results: Spatial Surrogates
Commercial Land

Shape file created from data base of the economic census of 1999.

Surrogate for:
• Industrial process; Bakery Products
• Storage and Transport; Petroleum and Petroleum Product Storage
Results: Spatial Surrogates Border Crossings

Shape file created from data base of the Board of statistical transport (1999)

Surrogate for:
• Mobile Sources; Border Crossing, Mexico
Results: Preliminary NOx Spatial Emission Distribution

Note: Quality assurance in progress
Results: Preliminary CO Spatial Emission Distribution

Note: Quality assurance in progress
Results: Preliminary SO2 Spatial Emission Distribution

Note: Quality assurance in progress
Conclusions (1)

- Although these are very preliminary results, they are crucial to set up the first ever regional air quality model simulations for Mexico.

- This work has been useful to develop institutional capacity at INE for emission processing and to apply AQM’s.

- The surrogates created will be useful not only for INE’s modeling effort but also for other national and international institutions.
Conclusions (2)

- The surrogates created in this work improve (in coverage and updating) previous efforts to develop the spatial allocation of Mexican emissions.

- There are several modeling components in need of improvement:
  - Temporal allocation
  - Chemical speciation
  - Point source locations
  - Point source stack parameters
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