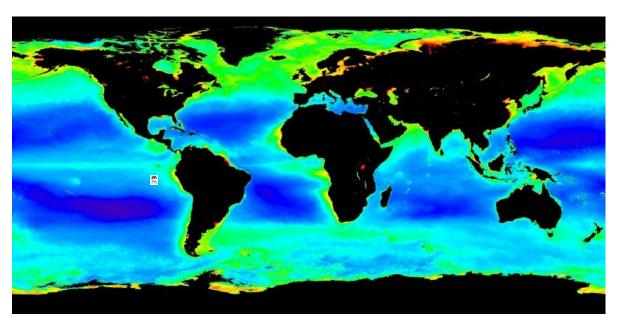
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Presentation Outline

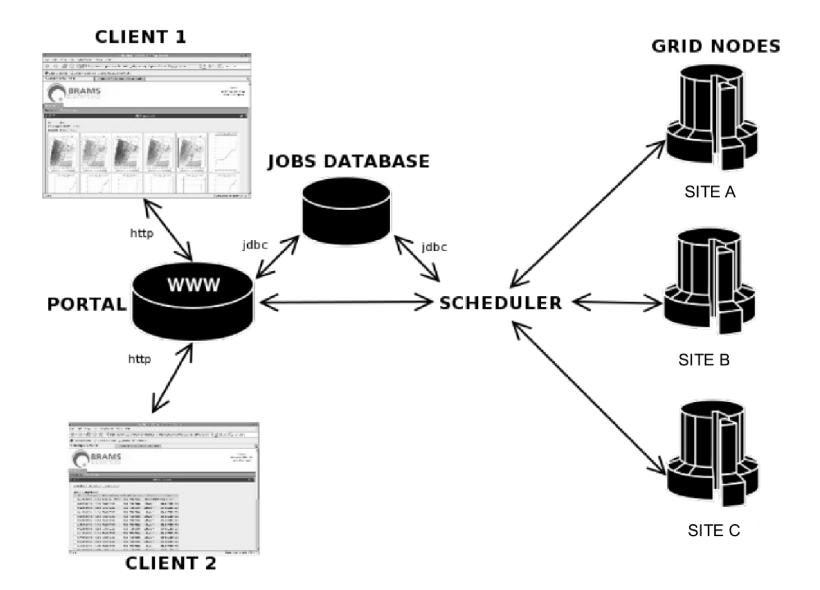
- BRAMS mesoscale model
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- GBRAMS results
- Final Remarks

BRAMS - Brazilian Regional Atmospheric Modeling System

- BRAMS = RAMS v5 + tropical parametrizations + better software quality + higher efficiency
- Used at several South American Whether Forecast Centers
- For execution in clusters of PCs
- Wide distribution (Open Source)
- Used in Research and Operational Meteorology
- 20 man-years effort

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Grid Architecture



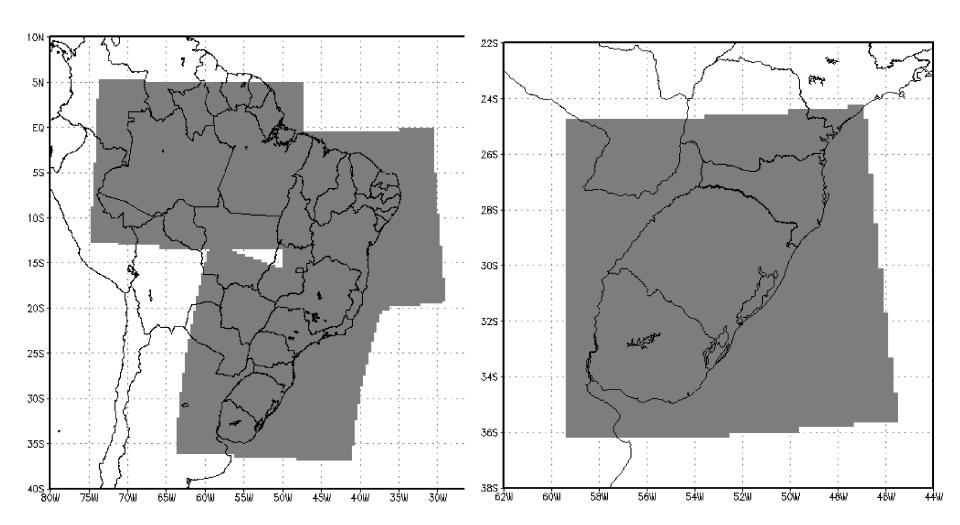
GBRAMS Project

- A 10-year climatology was obtainded;
- IRI climatology method (International Research Institute for Climate and Society);
- Each year is a different job;
- BRAMS checkpoint/restart scheme;
- 3 Brazilian regions and 3 initial conditions:
 9 independent jobs;
- 3 Middlewares: Globus, OurGrid, OAR/CIGRI

RECLIRS Project

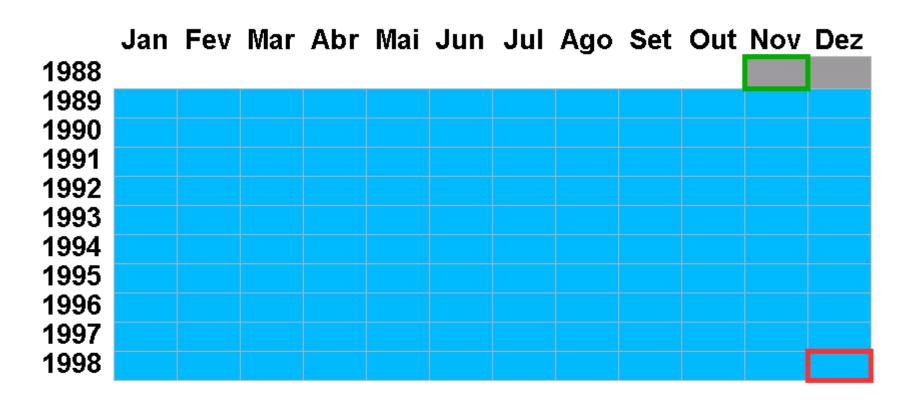
- A 10-year climatology will be obtained;
- ECMWF climatology method (European Center Medium-Range Weather Forecasts);
- Fully independence between jobs;
- RS and SC Brazilian states
- 2 Middleware: OurGrid and OAR/CIGRI

GBRAMS and RECLIRSdomains

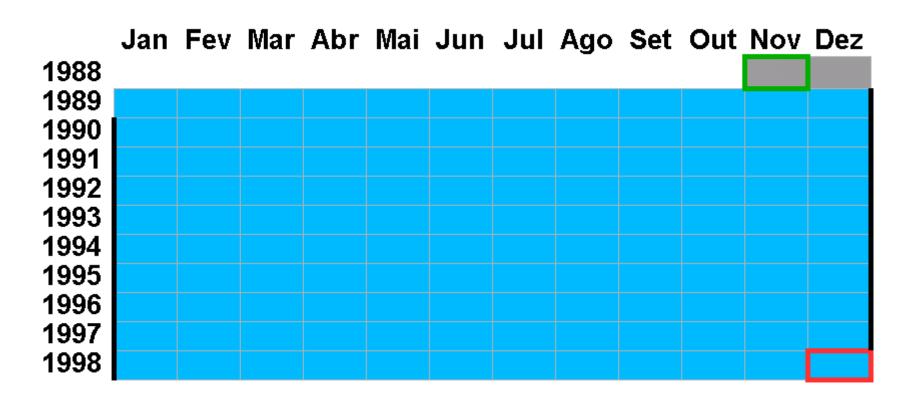


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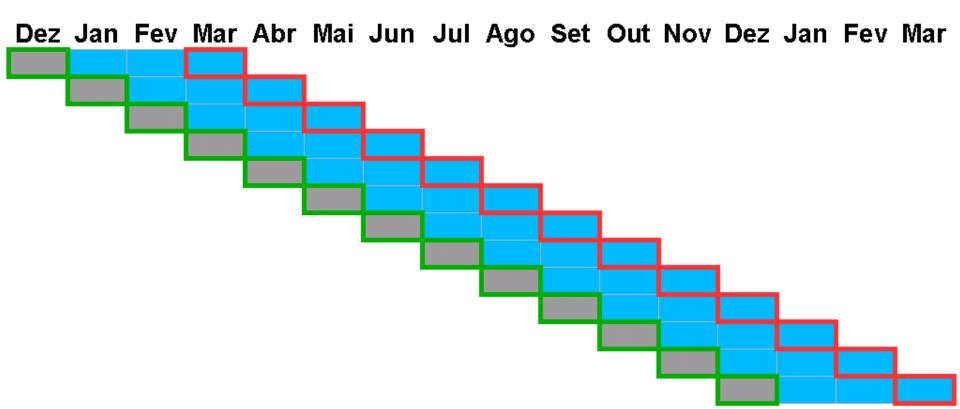
IRI method



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ECMWF method



ECMWF method



| | T_p – cluster | Integrated | T_p/m |
|---------|-----------------|--------------|---------|
| | time (days) | months (m) | (hh:mm) |
| Globus | 43.7 | 414 | 02:32 |
| OurGrid | 33.7 | 342 | 02:30 |
| CIGRI | 39.6 | 378 | 02:30 |
| | 117.0 | 1134 | |

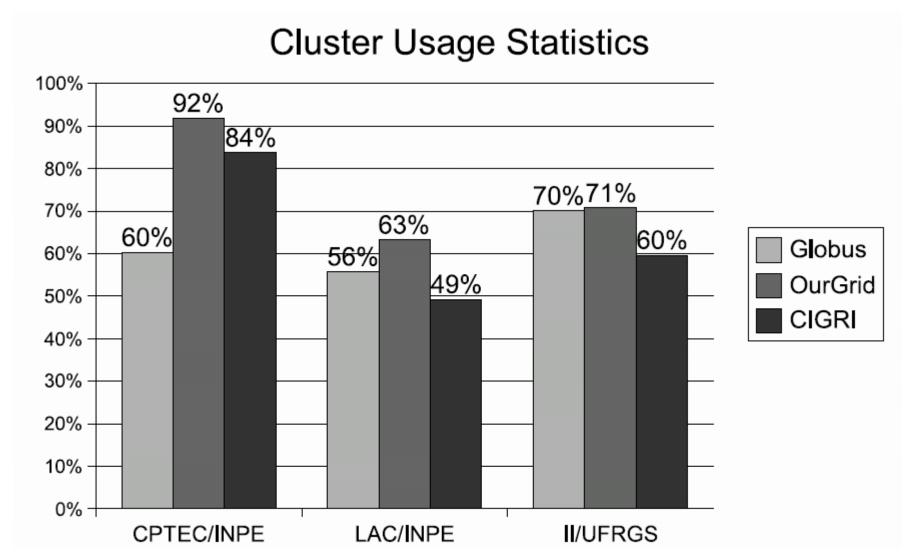
Table 1. Accumulated cluster time (T_p)

| | T_g – grid elapsed | Integrated | T_g/m |
|---------|----------------------|--------------|---------|
| | time (days) | months (m) | (hh:mm) |
| Globus | 23.9 | 414 | 01:23 |
| OurGrid | 16.3 | 342 | 01:08 |
| CIGRI | 21.3 | 378 | 01:20 |
| | 61.5 | 1134 | |

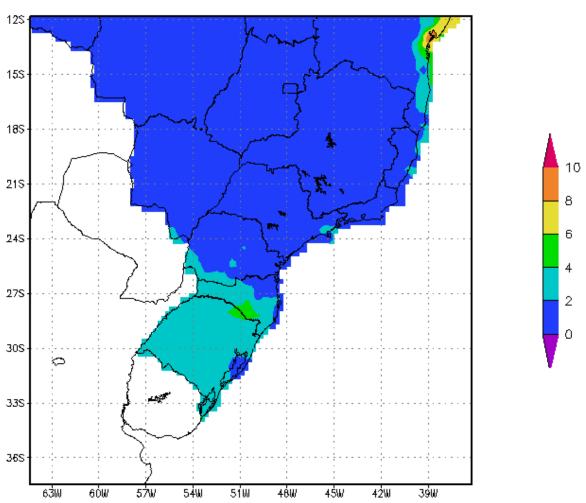
Table 2. Elapsed time (T_g) of all jobs

| | 3 | 2 | 1 | avg. use |
|---------|------|------|------|----------|
| Globus | 0.26 | 0.34 | 0.40 | 1.86 |
| OurGrid | 0.44 | 0.37 | 0.19 | 2.25 |
| CIGRI | 0.31 | 0.31 | 0.38 | 1.93 |

Table 3. Cluster usage

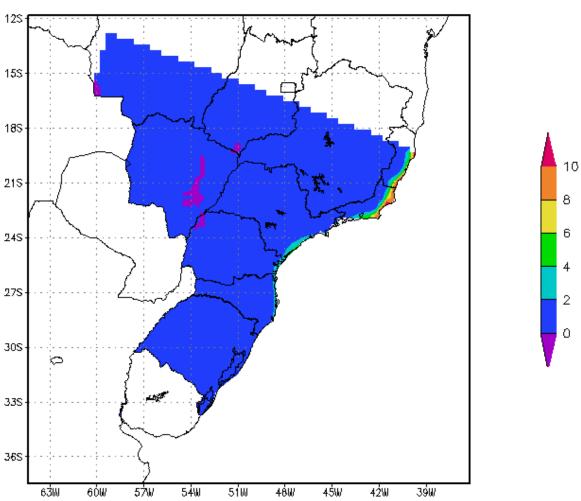


Observed



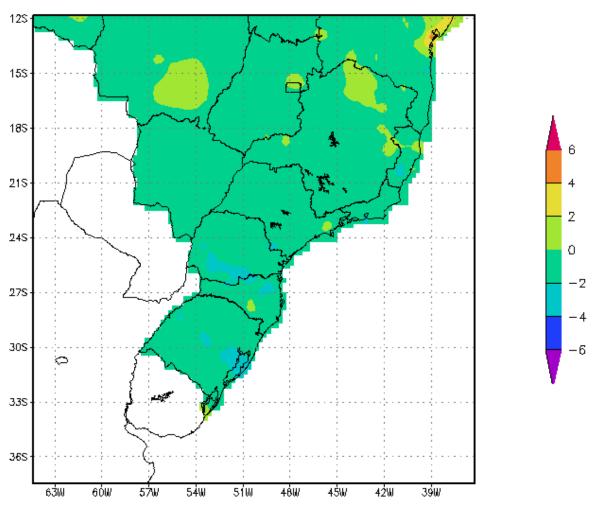
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Forecast



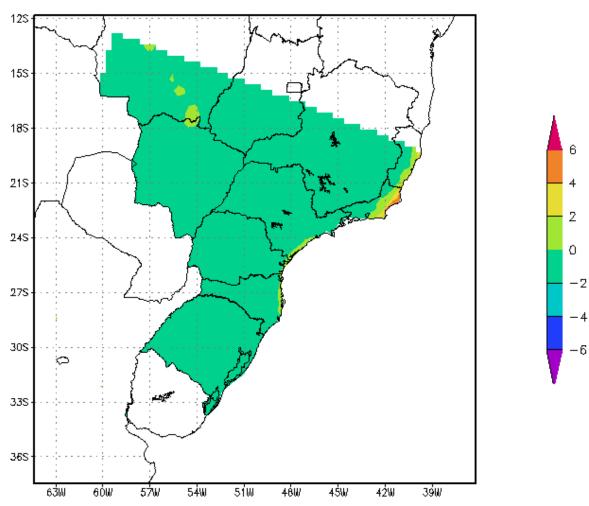
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Observed anomalies



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Forecast anomalies



GrADS: COLA/IGES 2006-10-12-20:51

Final Remarks

- Any of the 3 middlewares was able to execute the climatology.
- With the distribution of jobs on the grid nodes we have effectively reduced by 50% the time needed to obtain the climatology.
- In relation to the obtained climatology, we can observe that it has correctly been applied to predict climatic anomalies for the period of June–August 2006, in the southern region of Brazil.
- A more stressful utilization of the clusters may be obtained with ECMWF method in RECLIRS project.

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