



# Summary of Updates to SCICHEM-2012 Model:

Comparison of Results with Observations and Previous Version Results

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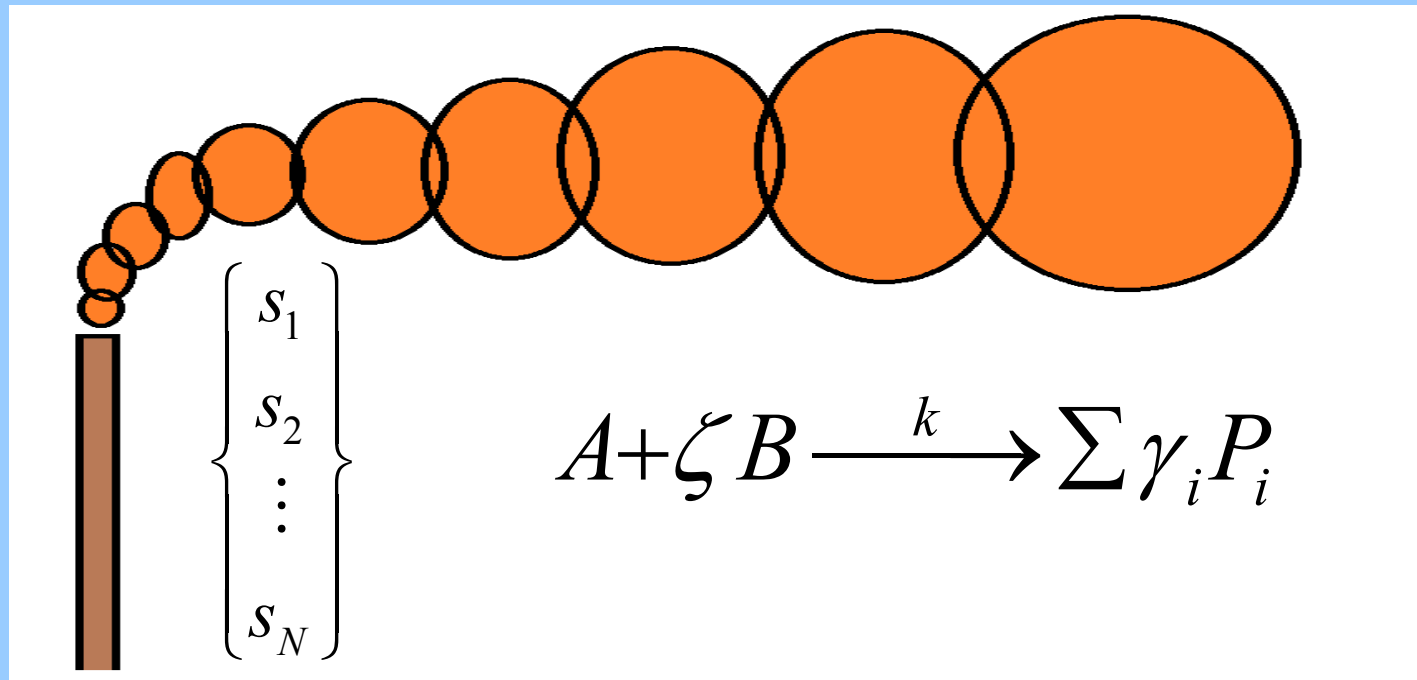
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# SCICHEM



- ❖ SCIPUFF with chemistry
- ❖ Second Order Closure Integrated Puff Model





# Lagrangian Puff Model

- ❖ Concentration field
  - Collection of overlapping 3D puffs
- ❖ Puff moments
  - Solve ODE's
- ❖ Wide range of scales
  - No fixed grid
  - No diffusion errors
- ❖ Inhomogeneous conditions
  - Spatial
  - Temporal



# Improving Model Efficiency

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- ❖ Puff splitting
  - Accurate treatment of wind shear
- ❖ Puff merging
  - Resolution adapted for each stage
- ❖ Adaptive time-step
  - Appropriate for resolving evolution rate



# Improving Model Efficiency



- ❖ “Static” puffs
  - Continuous releases: Steady state
- ❖ Adaptive grids & Linked lists
  - Puff overlap calculations

# Reactive Chemistry

## ❖ Species overlap concentration

- Contribution from overlapping puffs

$$\hat{A}_\alpha = \sum_\beta I_{\alpha\beta} \langle A \rangle_\beta$$

$$I_{\alpha\beta} = \int_v G_\alpha(\mathbf{x}) G_\beta(\mathbf{x}) dV$$

## ❖ Advance perturbation concentration

- Exclude background reaction rate

$$\frac{d\hat{A}_\alpha}{dt} = -k(\hat{A}_\alpha \hat{B}_\alpha + \hat{A}_\alpha B_0 + A_0 \hat{B}_\alpha)$$



# Model Evaluation Studies

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- ❖ PGT curves
- ❖ Instantaneous dispersion data
- ❖ Lab dispersion and fluctuation data
- ❖ Continental-scale ANATEX field experiment
- ❖ EPRI PMV&D tall-stack emissions
- ❖ CONFLUX (short range, fluctuations)
- ❖ Dugway field tests
- ❖ Model Data Archive
- ❖ ETEX



# Major Enhancements

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- ❖ Allocatable arrays
- ❖ Nested meteorology grid
- ❖ Skew turbulence
- ❖ CB-05 chemical mechanism
- ❖ CMAQ 4.7 AE5 aerosol aqueous module
- ❖ Dense gas effects
- ❖ AERMOD type input file
- ❖ Area and volume sources
- ❖ AERMET input file
- ❖ Single code for parallel runs
- ❖ Multiple PRIME sources
- ❖ New sampler capabilities





# Enhancements



- ❖ Allocatable Arrays
  - Size limits – Initialization file
  - No recompilation
  
- ❖ Multi/Single processor
  - Logical – Initialization file
  
- ❖ Nested Grid
  - High resolution terrain
  - High resolution meteorology

# Skew Turbulence in CBL

- ❖ Non-Gaussian vertical diffusion
- ❖ Vertical velocity fluctuations PDF

$$S = \langle w^3 \rangle / \langle w^2 \rangle^{3/2}$$

- ❖ Two "streams"
  - Updrafts
  - Downdrafts
- ❖ Switch type on reflection

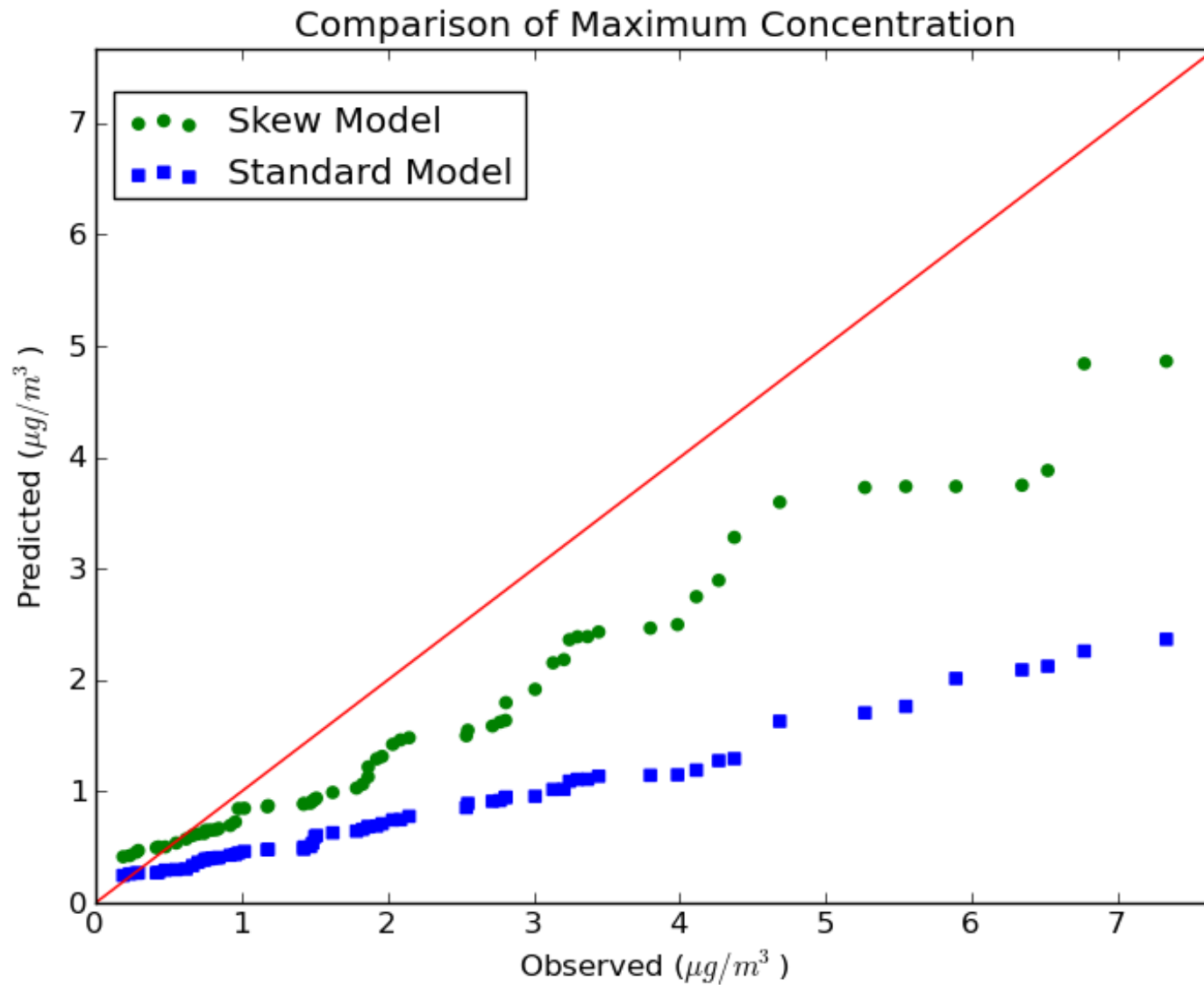


# Copenhagen



- ❖ Elevated release
  - 115 m
  - 7 Convective releases
  - 3 Neutral releases
  
- ❖ Surface concentration
  - Arcs – 2 to 6 km

# Copenhagen



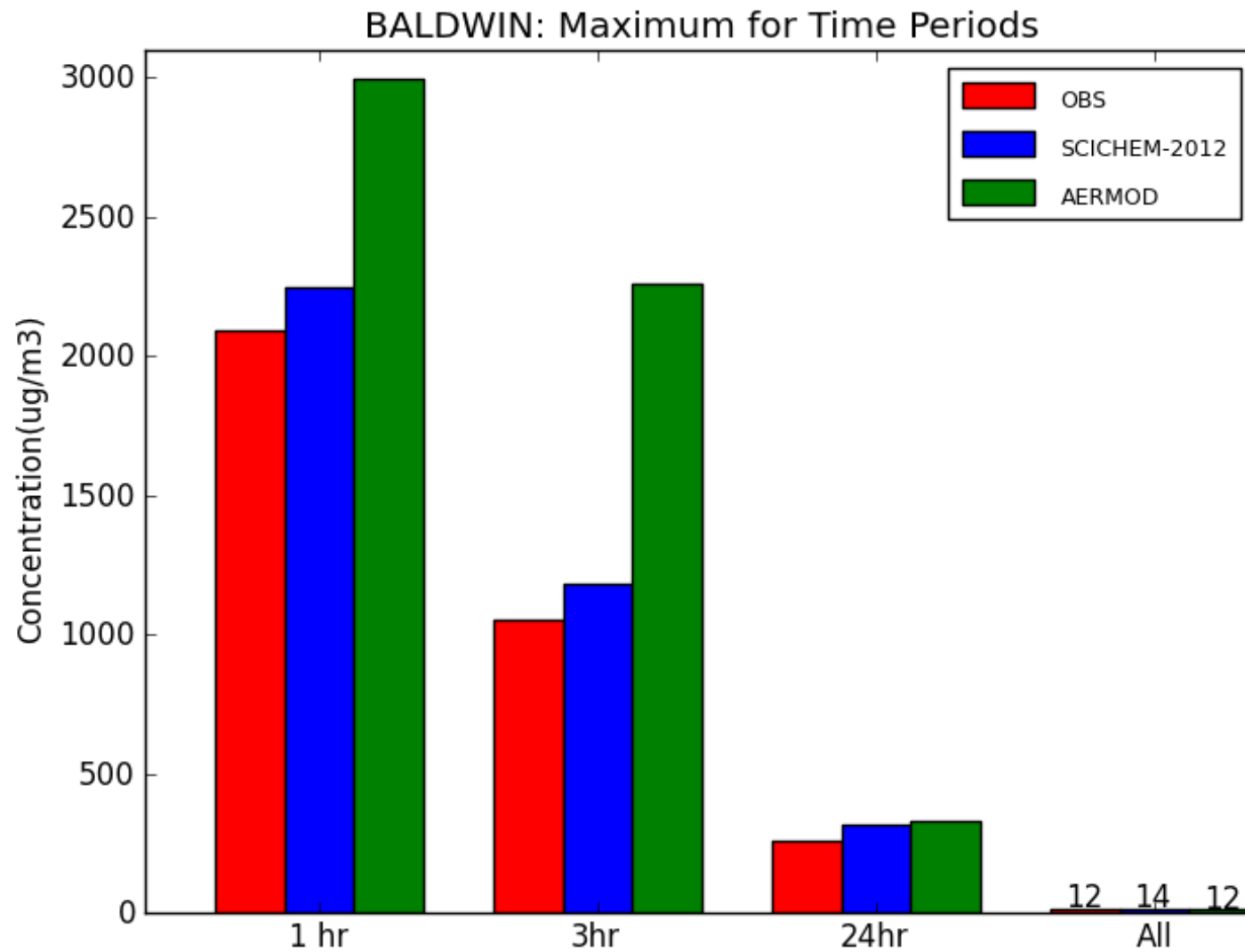


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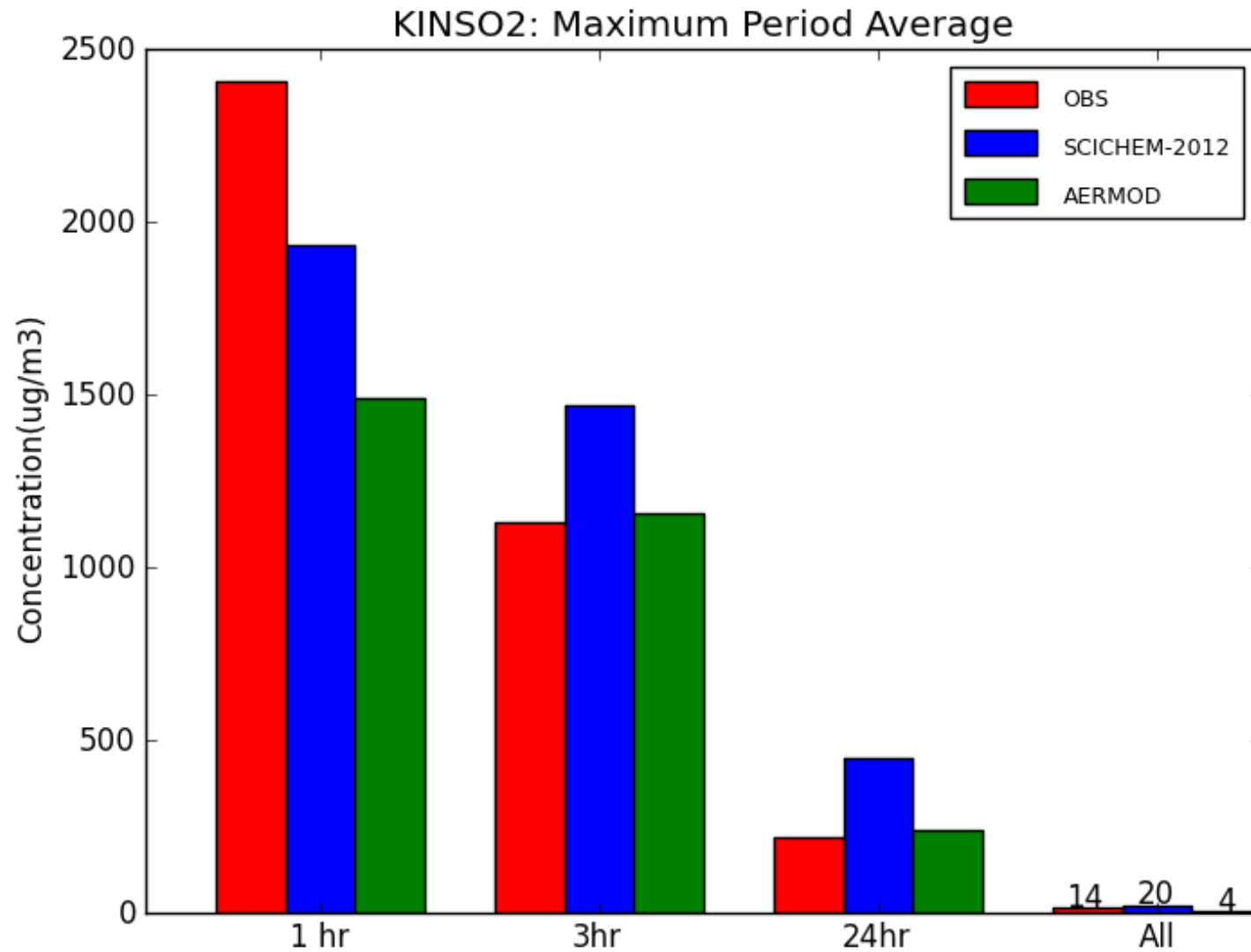


- ❖ Dense gas effects
  - Lateral spreading
  - Suppressed vertical diffusion
  
- ❖ New Sampler Format
  - Moving samplers
  - Line of sight sampler
  - Integrated concentration
  - Time averaged concentration
  - Meteorological samplers

# AERMOD Test Cases



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# SCICHEM-2012 Chemistry



Carbon Bond (CB05) Mechanism-  
Yarwood et al. (2005)

CMAQ 4.7.1 Aerosol module (AE5) –  
Edney et al (2007)

CMAQ 4.7.1 Aqueous  
Foley et. al (2010)





# SCICHEM-2012 CB05-AE5



- ❖ TVA, Cumberland, TN
- ❖ 2 stacks, coal fired, both with SO<sub>2</sub> scrubbers
- ❖ Low NO<sub>x</sub> burner installed on 1 stack in 1999
- ❖ Stack Parameters (each stack)
  - Height = 194 m
  - Diameter = 11.7 m
  - Exit temperature = 48° C
  - Exit velocity = 20 m/s



# Simulations



- ❖ Performed for 2 days: 8/25/98, 7/15/99
- ❖ Used hourly emissions data for each day

Average Emissions

Date	SO <sub>2</sub> (tonnes/hr)	NO <sub>x</sub> (tonnes/hr)
8/25/98	2.5	15.2
7/15/99	2.1	11.5

- ❖ Profiler met data from Cumberland (8/25/98) and Dickson (7/15/99)

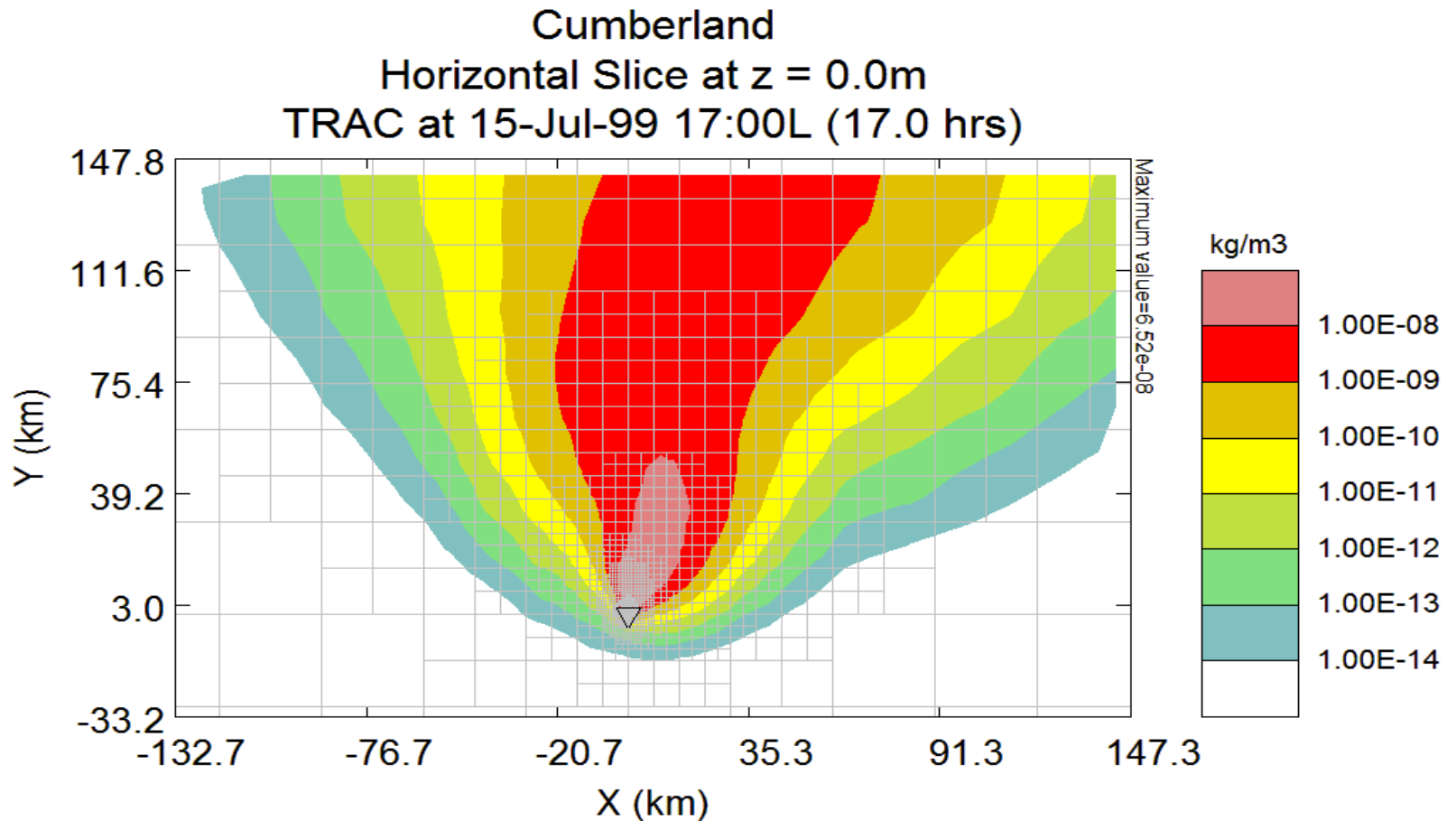


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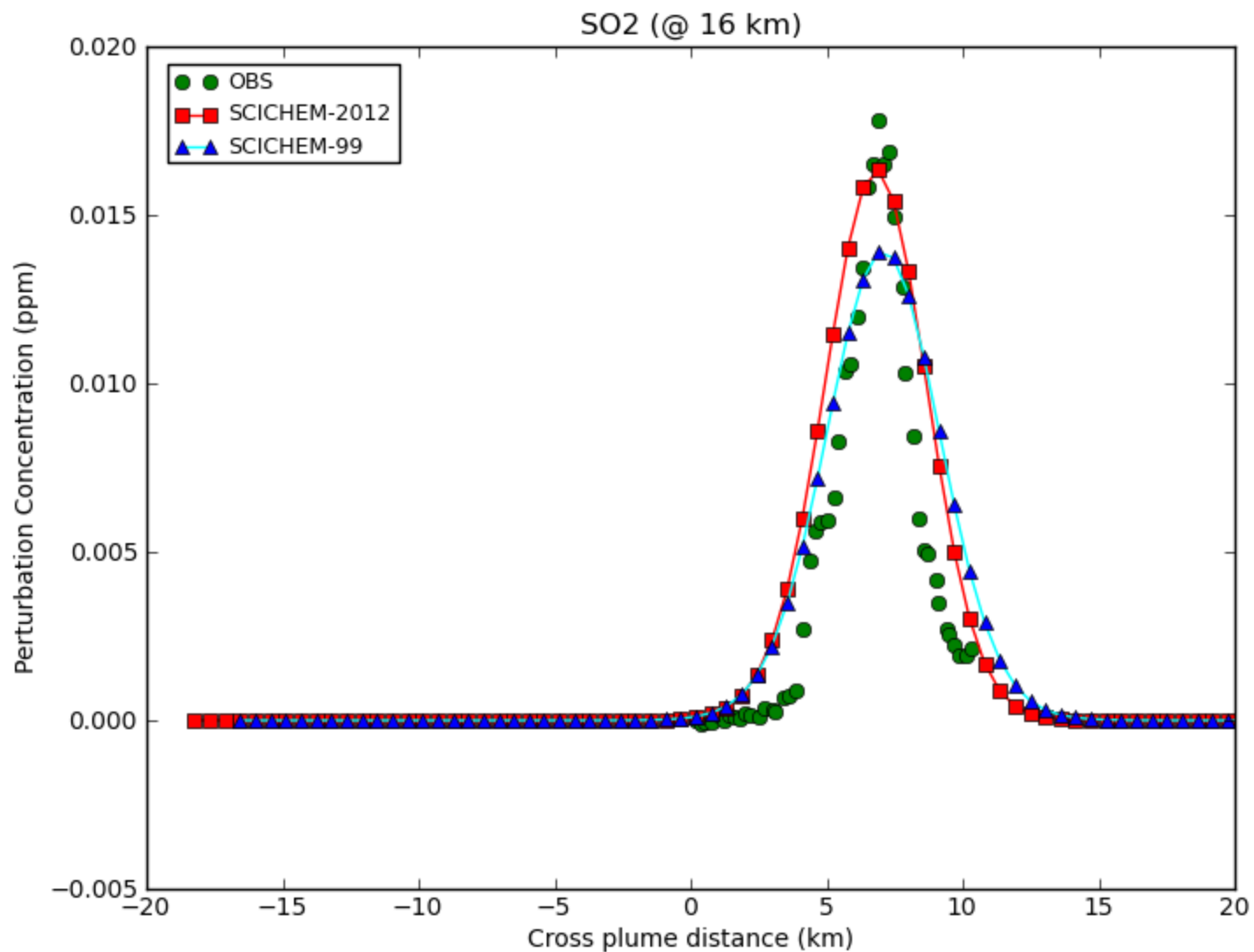


- ❖ Started at 00:00
- ❖ Run for  $\geq 15$  hours
- ❖ Compared with measurements  $\sim 12:00$
- ❖ Gases: NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>y</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>

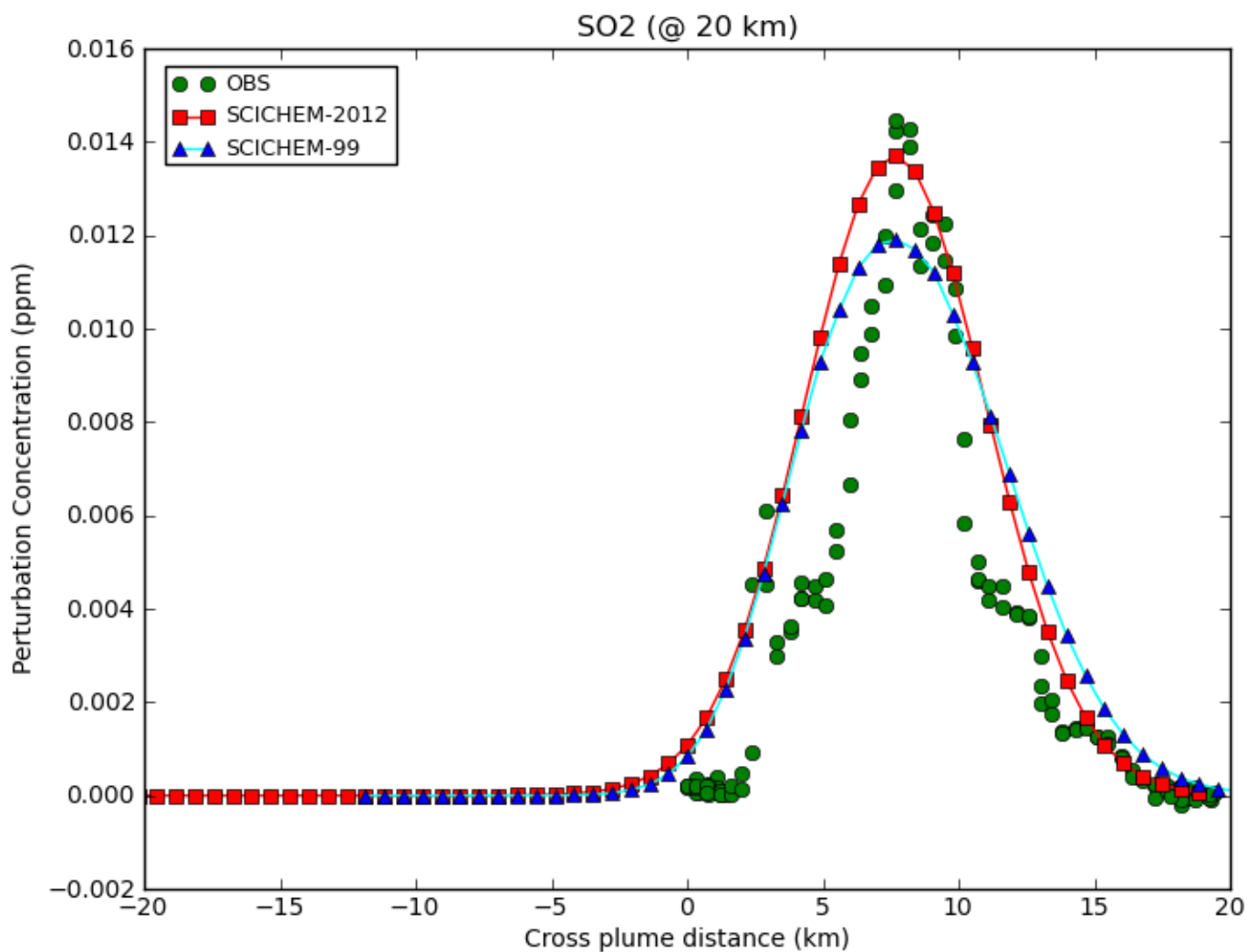
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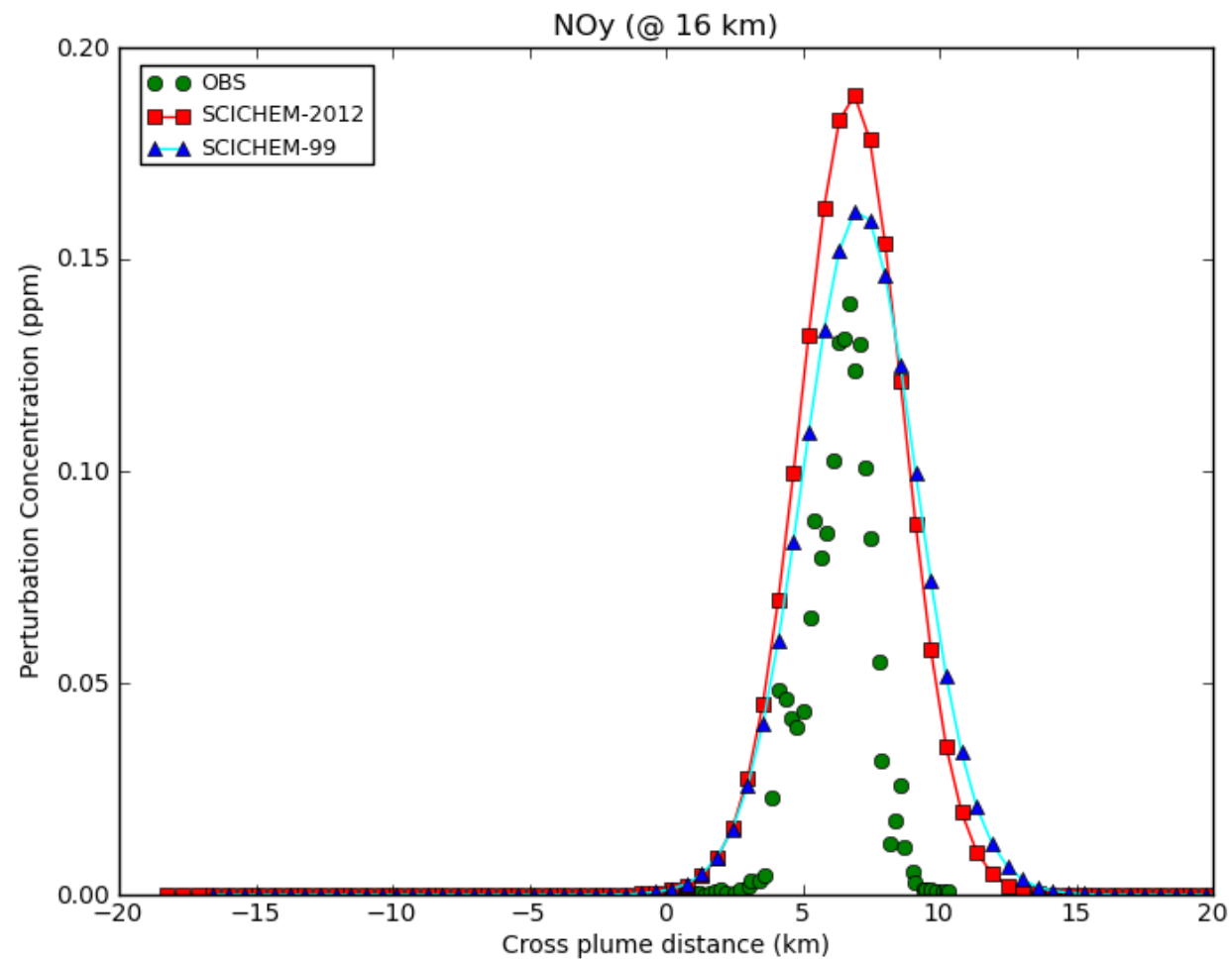
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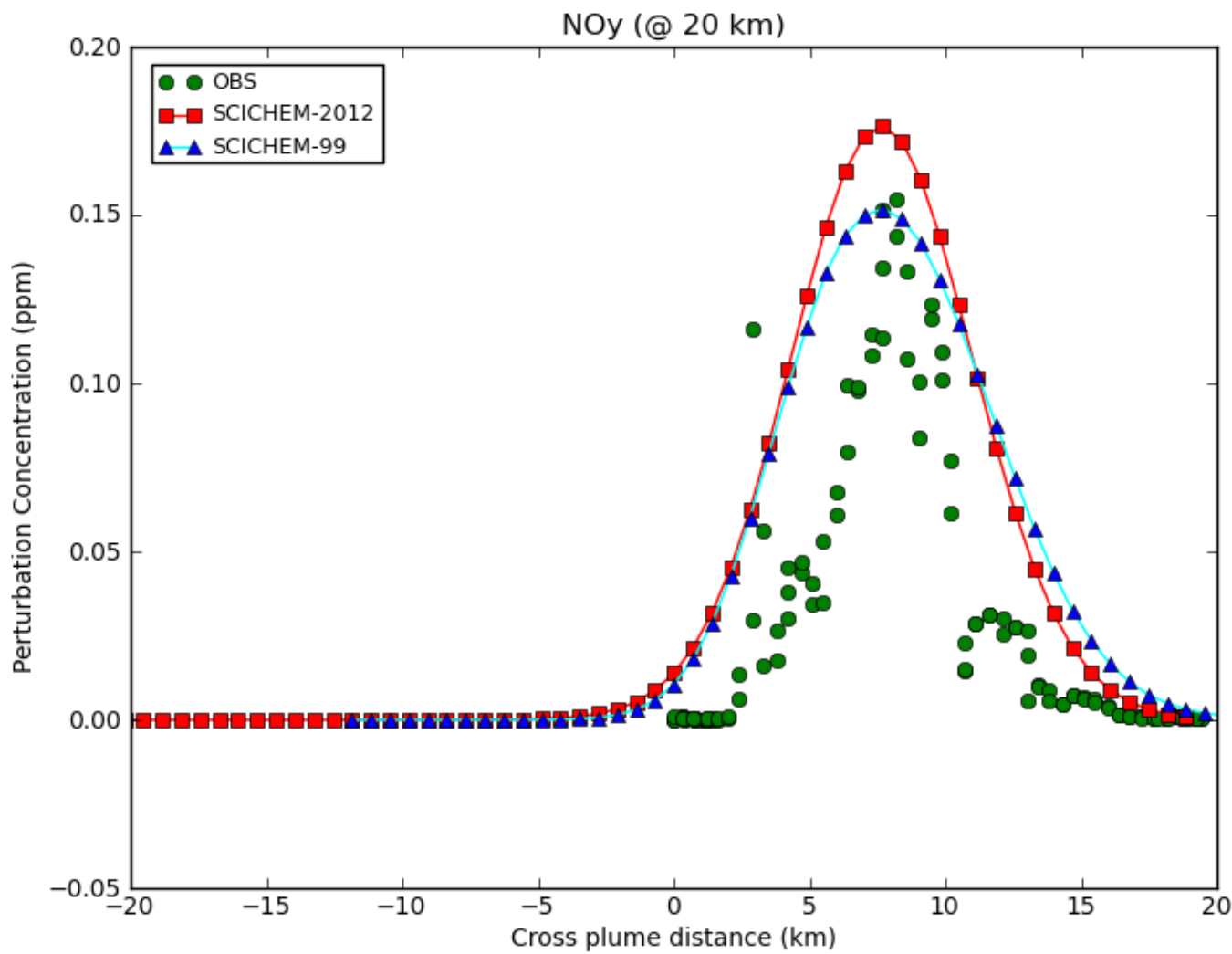
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# 16 KM Downwind on 07/15/99

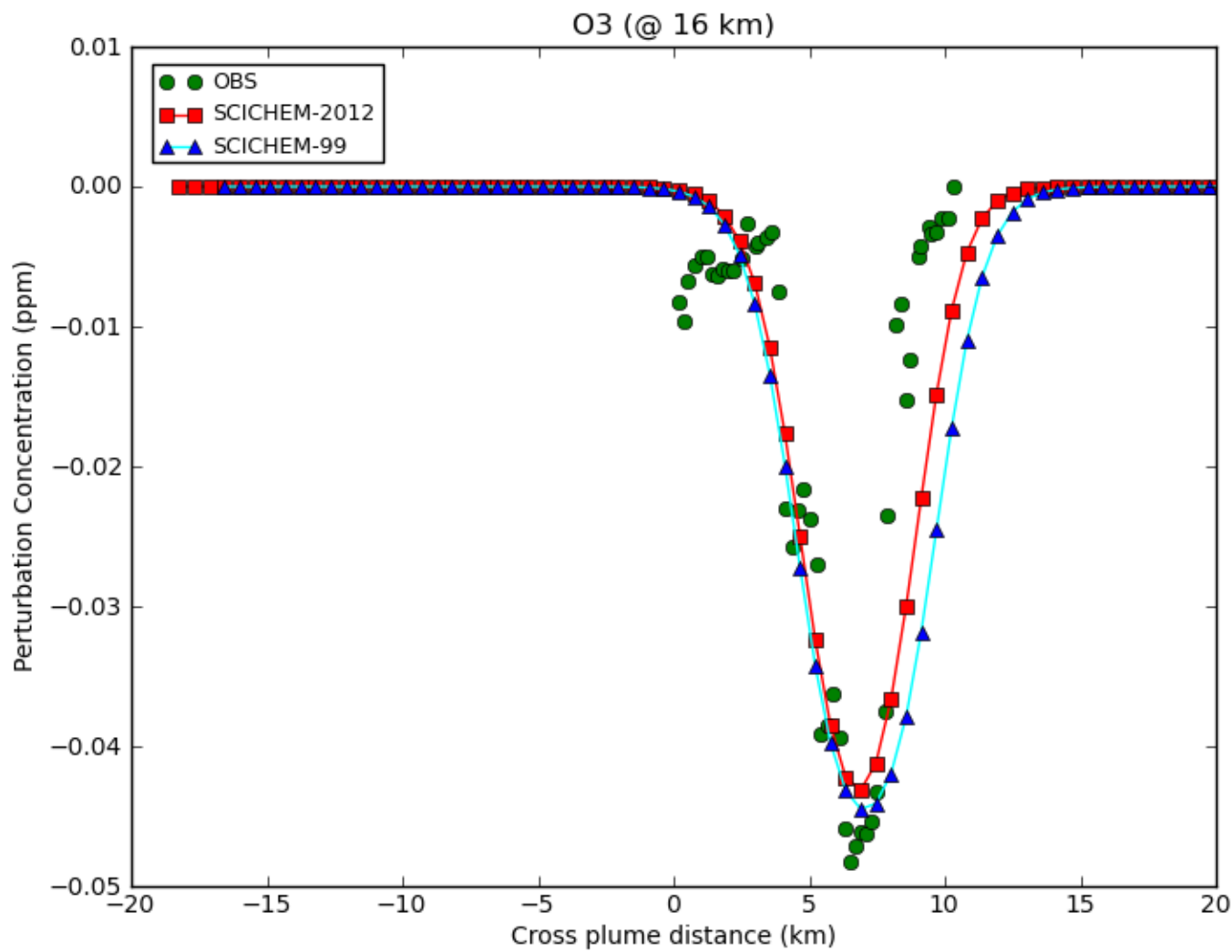


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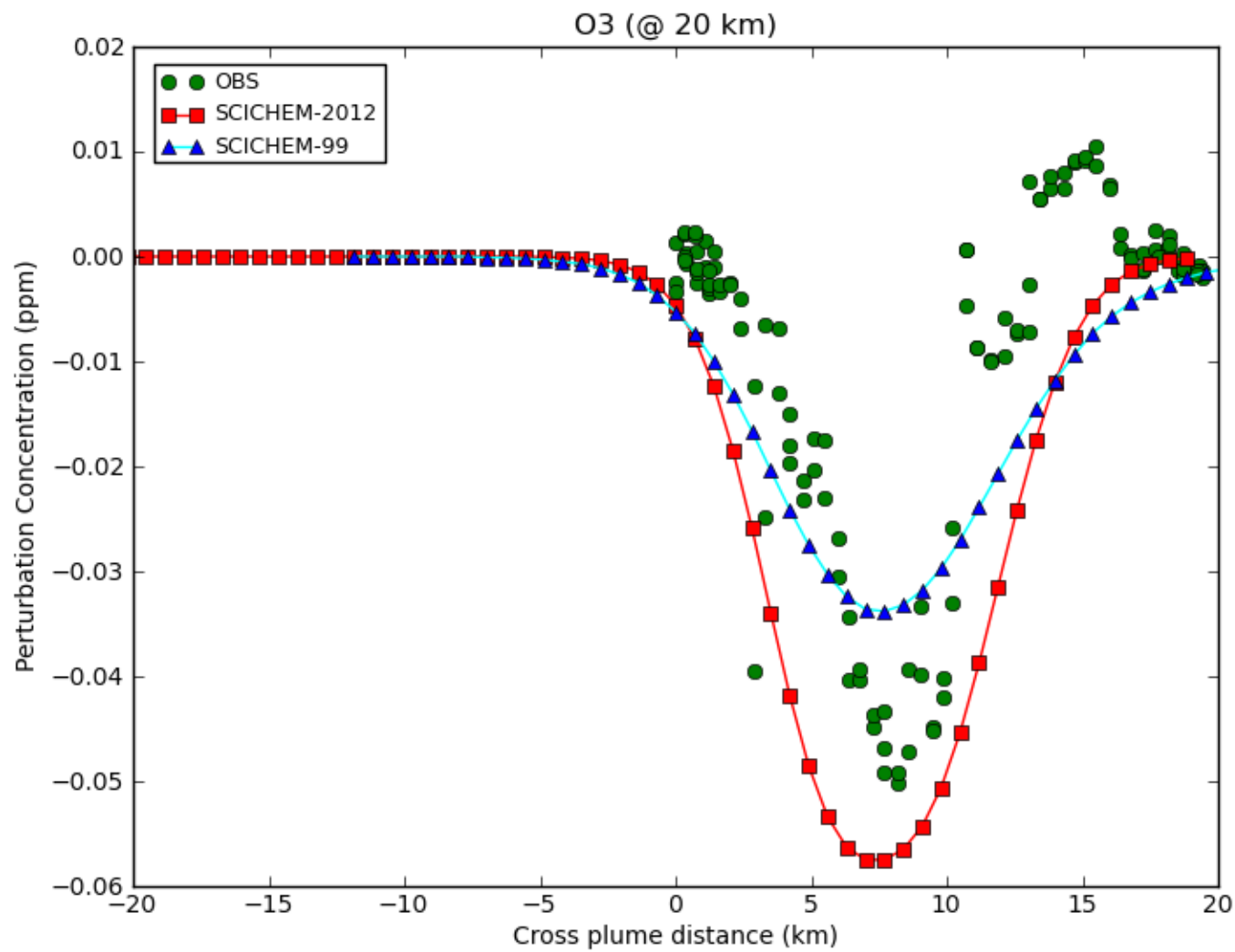




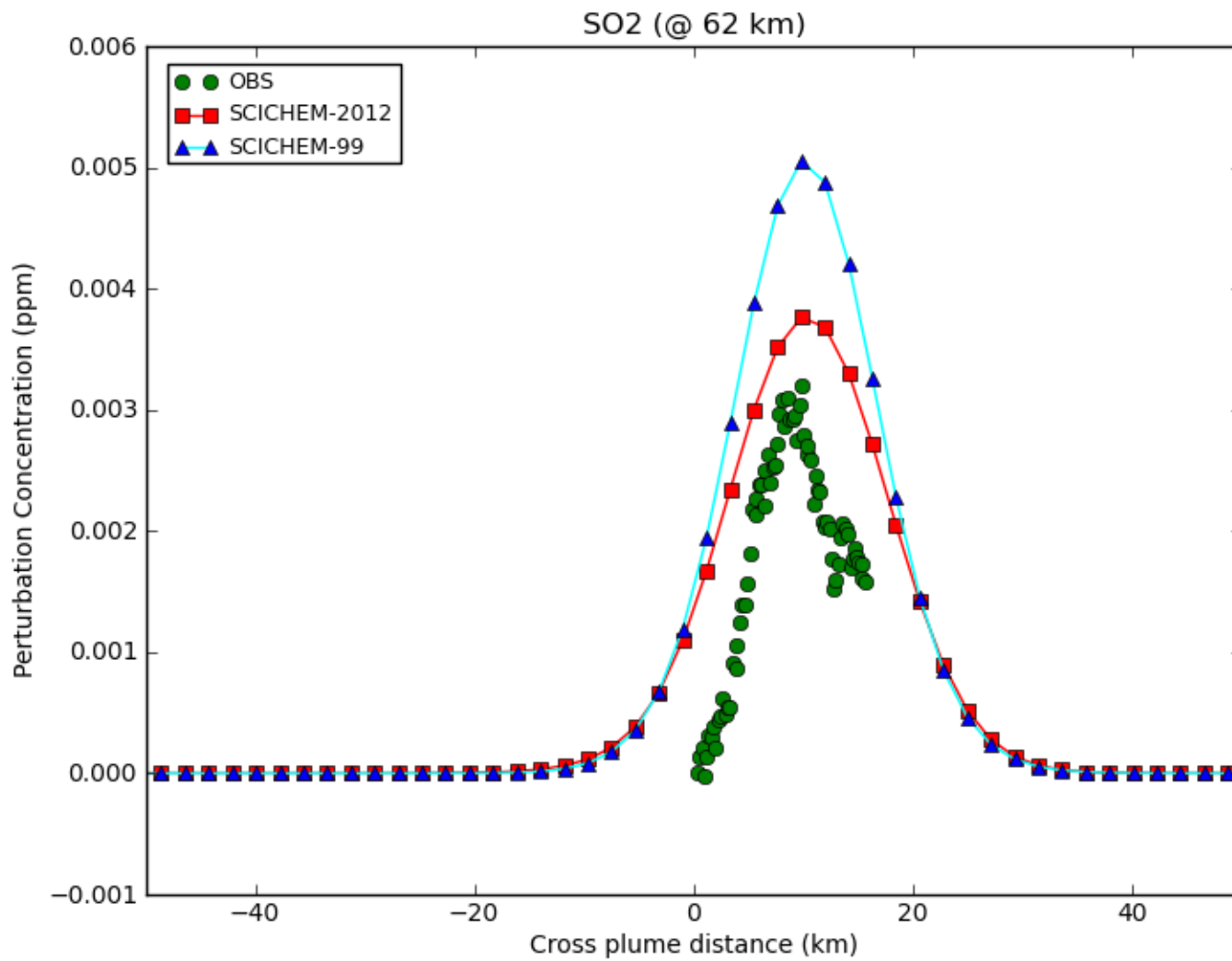
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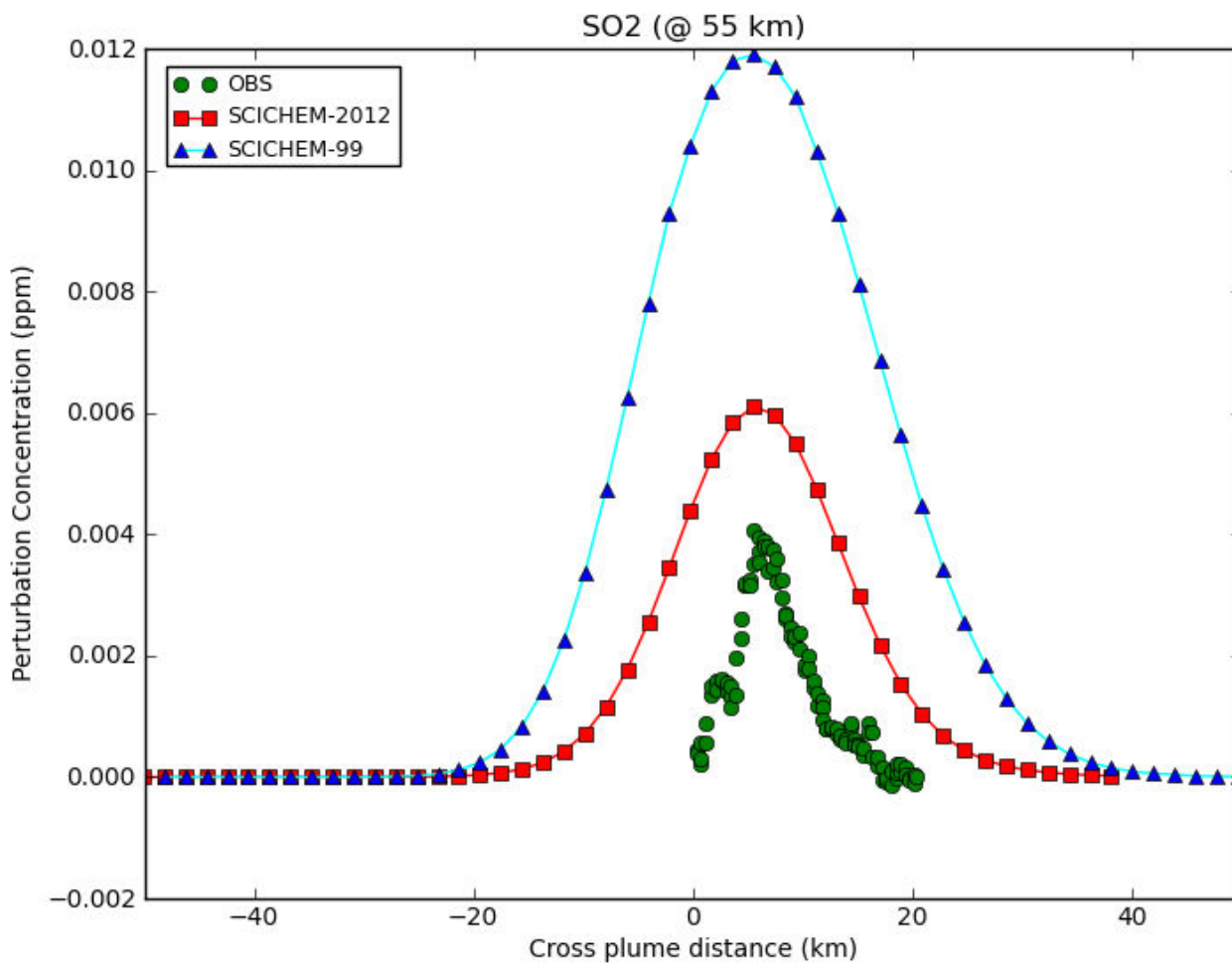
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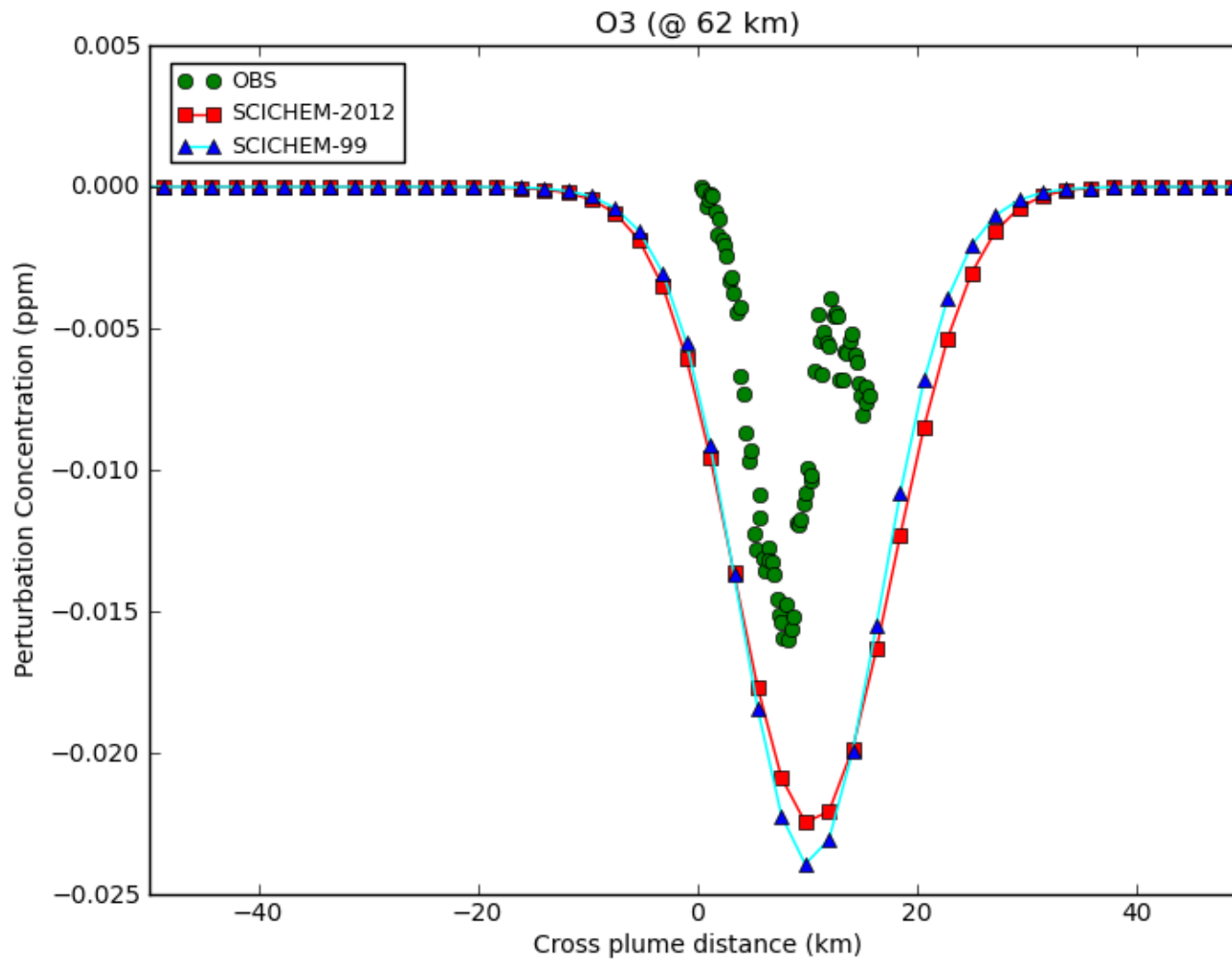
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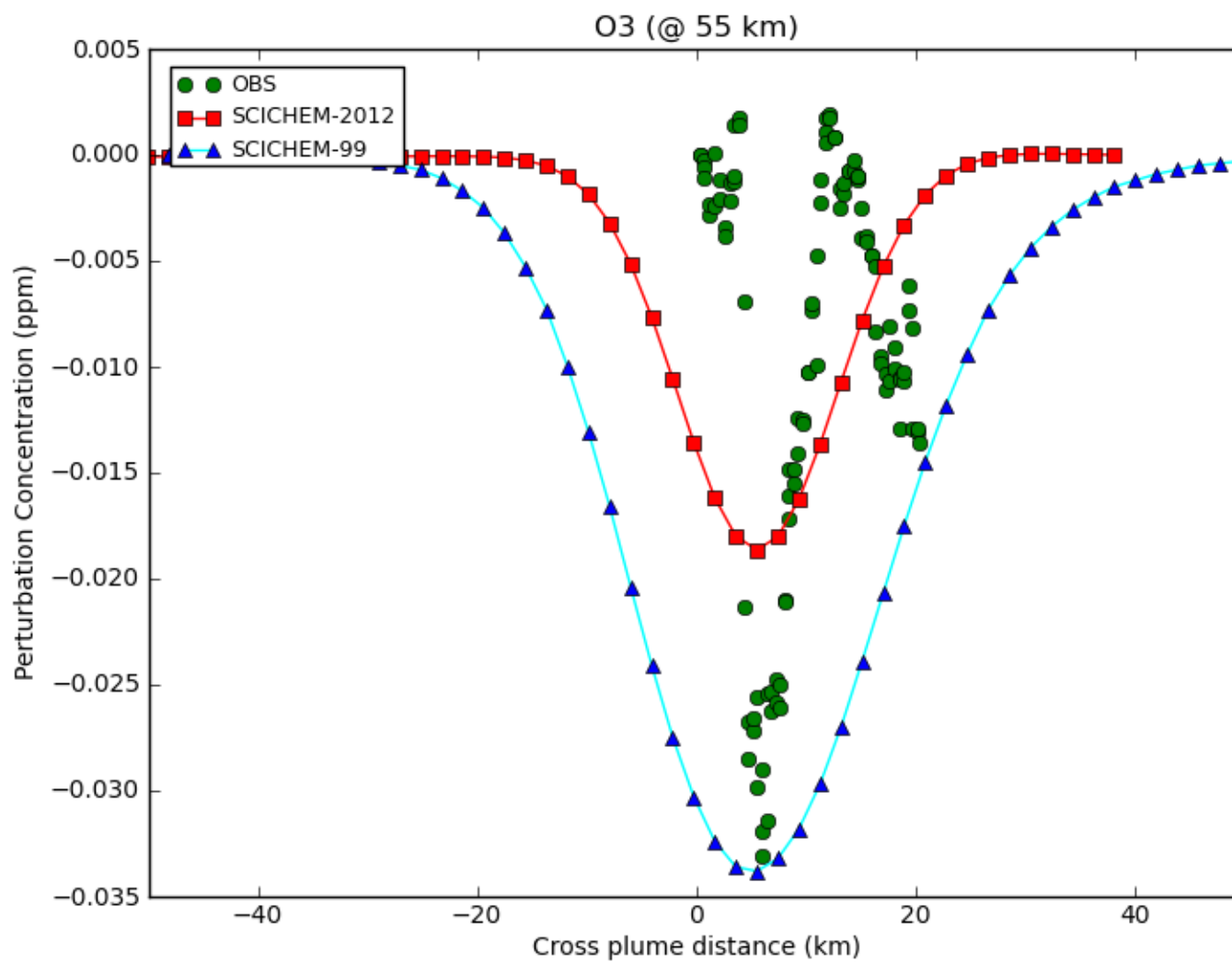
# 55 KM Downwind on 08/25/98



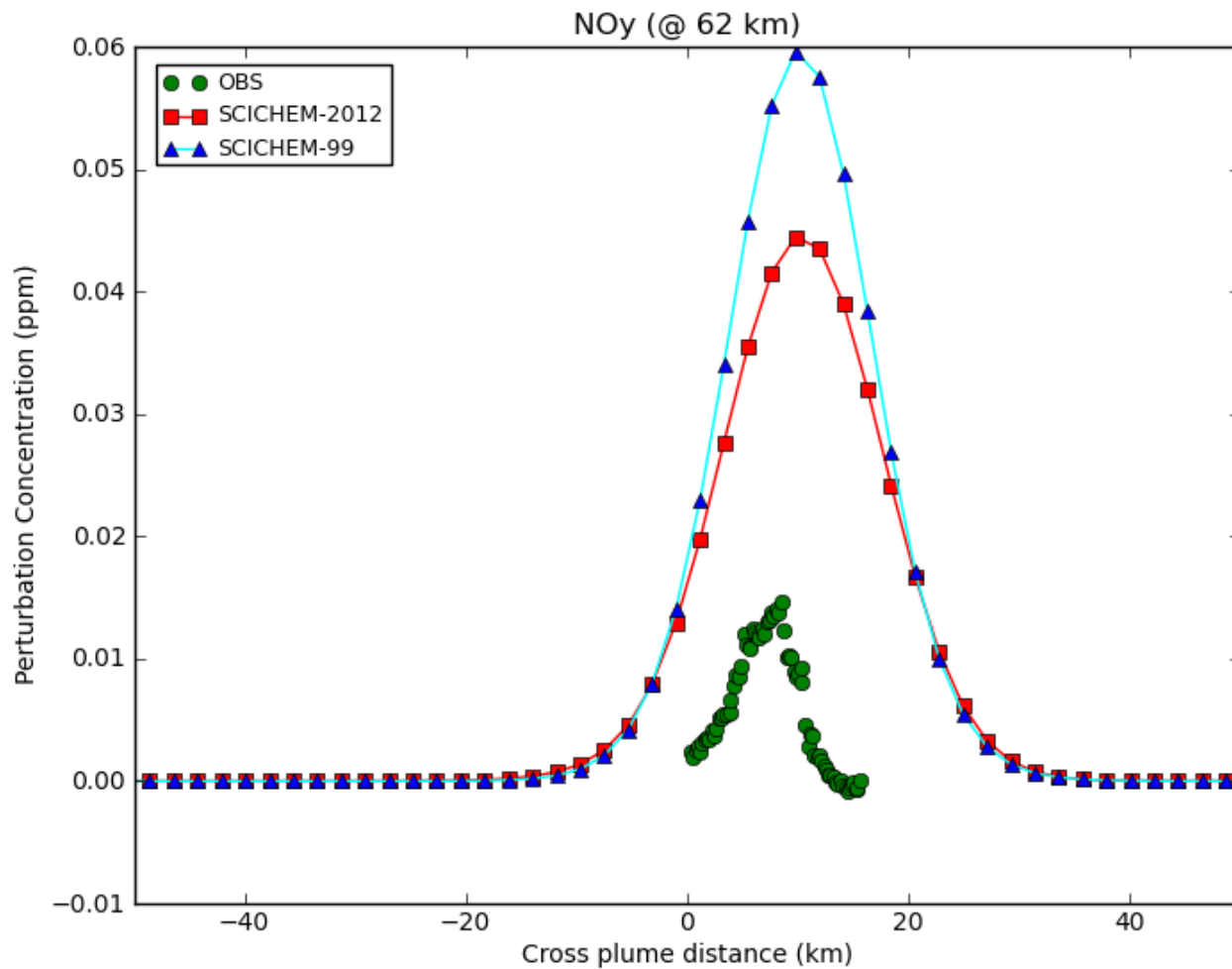
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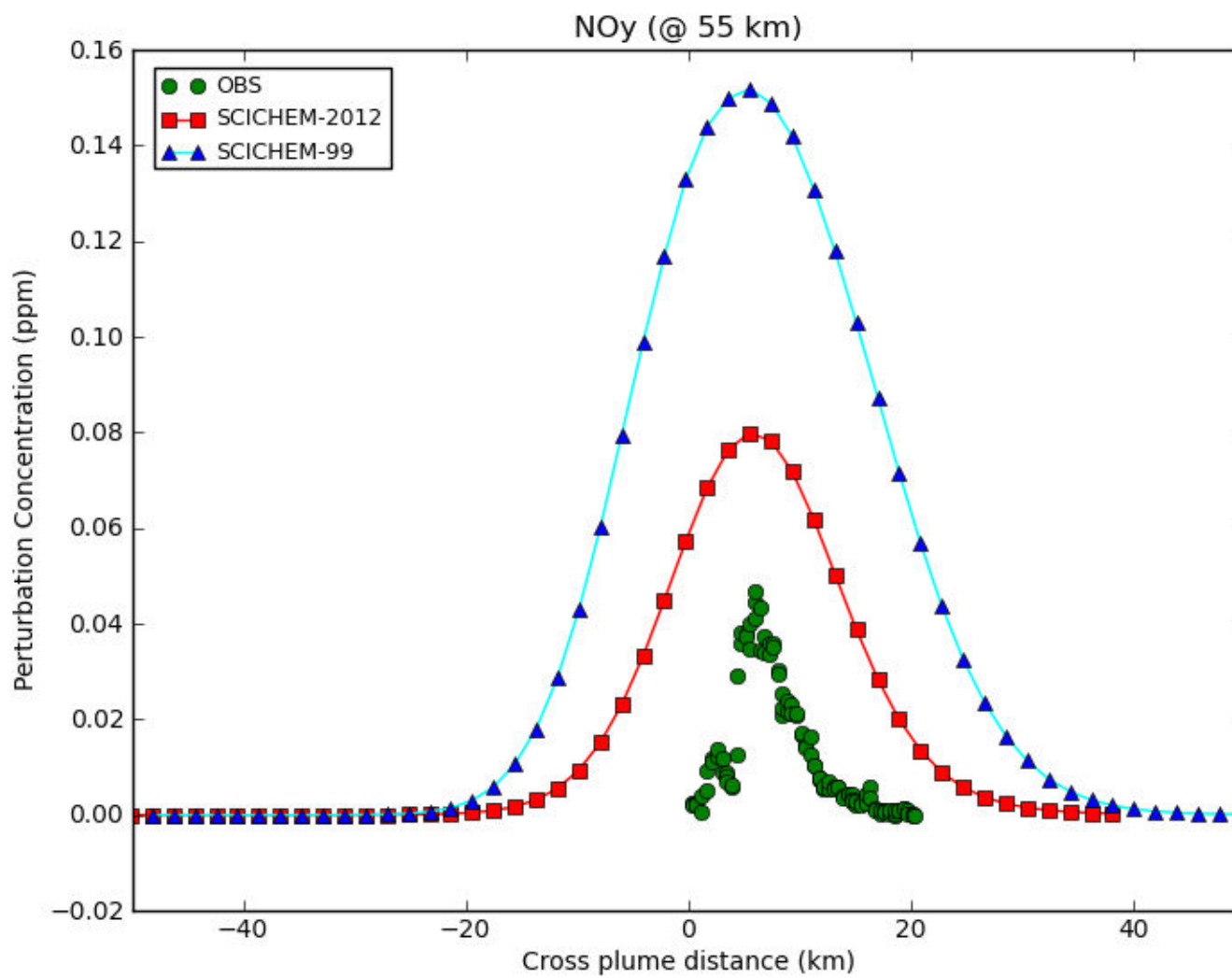
# 55 KM Downwind on 08/25/98



# 62 KM Downwind on 07/15/99



# 55 KM Downwind on 08/25/98







# Summary



## AERMOD Test Cases (Max P/O)

<b>Model</b>	<b>Exp.</b>	<b>1hr</b>	<b>3hr</b>	<b>24hr</b>	<b>Period</b>
SCICHEM-2012	Baldwin	1.07	1.12	1.22	1.14
AERMOD	Baldwin	1.43	2.14	1.26	0.96
SCICHEM-2012	Kincaid(SO <sub>2</sub> )	0.81	1.29	2.06	1.44
AERMOD	Kincaid(SO <sub>2</sub> )	0.62	1.02	1.11	0.3



# Summary



## TVA Test Cases (Max P/O)

Date	Distance (Km)	Species	SCICHEM 2012	SCICHEM 99
08/25/98	20	SO2	0.93	0.86
07/15/99	16	SO2	0.83	0.72
08/25/98	55	SO2	1.5	2.4
07/15/99	62	SO2	1.15	1.56



# Future Work



- ❖ Initial results of AERMOD and TVA test cases using SCICHEM-2012 (Beta) model are promising.
- ❖ After carrying out further testing we plan to release the code in the public domain.



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