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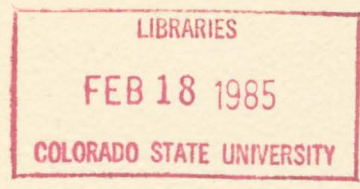
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Director

PREFACE

This second "mid-year" report from the Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere (CIRA) is intended to communicate scientific results and information about current activities to NOAA and CSU scientists, students and staff as well as other interested parties. Each year we plan to issue this mid-year report as well as an annual report from CIRA.

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The Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere (CIRA) established September 1980, is jointly sponsored by Colorado State University (CSU) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and has a close relationship with NOAA's Environmental Research Laboratories (ERL) and the National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS). It was formed to increase the effectiveness of atmospheric research of mutual interest to NOAA, CSU, the state and the nation. Additional objectives are to provide a center for cooperation in specified research programs by scientists from Colorado, the nation and other countries and to hasten the training of atmospheric scientists. All Colorado State University or NOAA organizational elements are invited to participate in the Institute's atmospheric research programs.

As its research themes the Institute has concentrated on: global climate dynamics, local area weather forecasting, weather modification, application of satellite observations and air quality. Air quality, a new theme, is currently addressed through an alliance with the National Park Service. With the locating of the NOAA/NESDIS/RAMM Branch (Regional Mesoscale and Meteorology Branch) at CIRA, emphasis is placed on development of meteorological satellite data for research purposes and environmental applications. Locally CIRA is involved with satellite studies and focal point of PROFS. Internationally, the involvement is with the satellite cloud climatology project. A pending research

proposal in cooperation with WMO (World Meteorological Organization) and UNEP (United Nations Environmental Programs) is to assist the Indian Meteorological Department with developing a sector processing center capability for their INSAT groundstation; this research should begin in summer 1983.

Currently the University departments engaged in CIRA research are: atmospheric science, economics, statistics, psychology, civil engineering, and electrical engineering. Twenty-six separate research projects have been funded through CIRA which includes an IPA (Intergovernmental Personnel Act) with Dr. T. Michael Carter located at the Maryland office of the National Weather Service.

CIRA personnel comprise a list of 12 fellows, 4 visiting fellows, 8 research associates and 3 visiting scientists. Since the inception of CIRA, 2 Ph.D.s and 4 Master of Science degrees have been awarded. Each year the visiting fellows program allows for at least two scientists to conduct individual research at Colorado State University.

In July of 1982 CIRA co-sponsored with NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center the "Training Workshop in Satellite Meteorology". In September of 1983 CIRA will sponsor a workshop entitled "Public Policy Toward the Support of Weather-related Research and Services: An Evaluation for Colorado".

## PERSONNEL

### Director

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### Research Coordinator

Greiner, K.

### Fellows

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Brubaker, T., CSU, Electrical Engineering  
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Grant, L., CSU, Atmospheric Science  
Gray, W., CSU, Atmospheric Science  
McKee, T., CSU, Atmospheric Science  
Mielke, P., CSU, Statistics  
Purdom, J., NOAA/NESDIS/RAMM, CSU  
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### Visiting Fellows

Carter, M., in Washington on IPA  
Panofsky, H., CSU

### Visiting Scientists

Ashbaugh, L., UC-Davis/NPS/CSU  
Campbell, G., RIC/CSU  
Malm, W., NPS/CSU  
Saufley, D., Houghton College, NY

### Post-doctoral Fellow

Yeh, M.

### Research Associates

Allen, N., CSU/CIRA--employee  
Green, R., NOAA/NESDIS/RAMM, CSU  
Kruidenier, M., CSU, Atmospheric Science  
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Phillips, R., NOAA/NESDIS, CSU  
Weaver, J., NOAA/NESDIS/RAMM, CSU  
Winston, H., located at NOAA/ERL--employee  
Zehr, R., NOAA/NESDIS/RAMM, CSU

### Agency Acronyms

CSU: Colorado State University  
ERL: Environmental Research Laboratory  
NESDIS: National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service  
NOAA: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
NPS: National Park Service  
RAMM: Regional Mesoscale & Meteorology Branch  
RIC: Research Institute of Colorado  
UC-Davis: University of California, Davis

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

September 1, 1980 - December 31, 1982

<u>PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S)</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR'S NUMBER</u>	<u>DATES</u>
L. Grant	A Design for Assessing On-going Operational Cloud Seeding	NA80RA-C-00017*	10/1/79 - 3/30/81
P. Sinclair/ J. Purdom	Genesis and Development of Deep Convective Storms	NA80AA-D-00056*	4/15/81 - 4/14/82
T. Vonder Haar/ T. Brubaker	Satellite Data Reception and Analysis Equipment and Support	NA80AA-D-00082*	7/1/80 - 9/30/81
H. Cochrane	Estimating the Uses and Benefits Derived from PROFS	NA80RA-C-00183*	8/1/80-11/30/82
T. Vonder Haar/ E. Smith	The Development of a Daytime Multispectral Radiative Signature Technique for Estimation of Rainfall from Satellites	NA80SA-C-00746*	7/15/80-5/31/82
T. McKee	Colorado Demonstration Intergovernmental Climate Project	NA80AA-D-00118*	9/1/80-8/31/83
T. McKee	Surface Data Network Archives for PROFS	NA80RA-G-00201*	8/1/80-5/31/82
T. Vonder Haar	Cooperative Institute for Research Visiting Members Program	NA81RA-H-00001*	10/1/80-6/30/83
L. Grant	Long-range Planning for Weather Modification	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 1; Item 2	11/1/80-3/31/82
G. Brier	Research on Statistical Techniques for Improvement of Long Range Forecasts	NA81AA-D-00039*	2/1/81-7/31/83

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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S)	TITLE	SPONSOR'S NUMBER	DATES
T. Vonder Haar/ J. Purdom (T. Brubaker)	Satellite Studies & Focal Point Activities for PROFS	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 2; Item 4	2/1/81-9/30/83
M. Carter	The Design of Improvements in Severe Weather Warning Programs Utilizing Concepts and Products Derived from PROFS	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 2; Item 3	10/1/80-10/31/82
T. Vonder Haar	Pilot Studies for the International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project	NA81AA-D-00058*	3/1/81-6/30/83
P. Mielke/ G. Brier	Development of Validation and Verification Techniques for Precipitation Estimation from Satellites	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 3; Item 5	4/1/81-9/30/82
L. Grant	Testing and Development of Ice Nucleation Materials and Generation Calibration	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 5; Item 7	2/1/81-9/30/82
W. Cotton	Numerical Simulation and Observational Analysis of the Dynamics Response of Towering Cumuli to Massive Seeding	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 4; Item 6	4/1/81-6/30/83
T. Vonder Haar	Mesoscale Research	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 6	8/1/81-7/31/83
W. Gray	Hurricane-Typhoon Studies in Support of NOAA Hurricane Research and Forecasting	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 9; Item 9	3/1/82-2/28/83

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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S)	TITLE	SPONSOR'S NUMBER	DATES
P. Sinclair/ J. Purdom	The Genesis and Development of Deep Convective Storms: A New Approach to Their Prediction and Possible Modification	NA82RA-C-00103*	7/1/82-6/1/83
T. Vonder Haar/ J. Purdom	Satellite Data Reception and Analysis Equipment and Support for Research Activities	NA82AA-H-00026*	9/1/82-8/31/83
S. Cox/ T. McKee	An Investigation of the Application of Monte Carlo Method in Problems in Visibility	John Muir Inst. (National Park Service)	8/24/82-6/30/83
R. Loomis	Development of Psychological Indicators of Visual Quality Judgments	John Muir Inst. (National Park Service)	8/24/82-6/30/83
E. Reiter	Atmospheric Transport Processes Affecting Visibility in National Parks	John Muir Inst. (National Park Service)	8/24/82-6/30/83
W. Sadeh	Statistical Reduction and Analyses of Visibility-Related Data and Statistical Modeling of Visibility- Related Variables and Processes	John Muir Inst. (National Park Service)	8/24/82-6/30/83
R. Pielke	Local Transport & Dispersion in National Parks	NA81RA-H-00001* Amendment 12; Item 10	9/1/82-8/31/83
M. Carter	Federal IPA - Severe Warning Program	*	8/25/82-8/24/83
R. Pueschel/ E. Barrett	Grand Canyon Meteorology	NOAA Funding via National Park Ser.	10/1/82-3/31/84

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PAPERS, REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS  
September 1, 1980 - December 31, 1982

Project #5-31258

A Design for Assessing On-going Operational Cloud Seeding Programs

Principal Investigators: L. Grant/P. Mielke/T. Vonder Haar

Sponsor's #NA80RA-C-00017; 10/1/79 - 3/30/81

Reports

Grant, Lewis O., and Paul W. Mielke, Jr., 1982: Final report to Weather Modification Office, NOAA, for Contract No. NA80RAC00017, Volume I, September 15, 1982.

Grant, Lewis O., and Paul W. Mielke, Jr., 1982: Final Report to Weather Modification Program Office, NOAA, for Contract No. NA80RAC00017, Volume II, September 15, 1982.

Project #5-31259

Genesis and Development of Deep Convective Storms

Principal Investigators: P.C. Sinclair/J.F.W. Purdom

Sponsor's #NA80AA-D-00056; 4/15/81 - 4/14/82

Paper

Purdom, James F.W., 1982: Integration of research aircraft data and 3 minute interval GOES data to study the genesis and development of deep convective storms. Preprint Volume: 12th Conference on Severe Local Storms, January 11-15, 1982, San Antonio, TX, AMS, Boston, MA.

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Presentation

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Project #5-31260

Satellite Data Reception and Analysis Equipment and Support

Principal Investigators: T. Vonder Haar/T. Brubaker

Sponsor's #NA80AA-D-00082; 7/1/80 - 9/30/81

Papers

Green, Robert N., and Melanie A. Kruidenier, 1982: Interactive data processing for mesoscale forecasting applications. Prepared for the 9th Conference on Weather Forecasting and Analysis, June 28-July 1, 1982, Seattle, WA, AMS, Boston, MA.

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Project #5-31261

Estimating the Uses and Benefits Derived from PROFS

Principal Investigator: H. Cochrane

Sponsor's #NA80RA-C-00183; 8/1/80 - 11/30/82

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Reiter, E., J.D. Sheaffer, H. Cochrane, J. Cook, G.R. Johnson, H. Leong, T. Nakagawa, 1982: The effects of atmospheric variability on energy utilization and conservation. Environmental Research Paper No. 32, Colorado State University, March.

Nakagawa, T., 1982: Measuring the value of short-term weather forecasts: Electric power generation, a case study. Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Economics, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO, December.

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Presentations

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Cochrane, H.: PROFS and power plant scheduling: A case study of the Public Service Company of Colorado. Presented to Public Service Company.

Cochrane, H.: PROFS and power plant scheduling: A case study of the Public Service Company of Colorado. Presented to professional staff (3 presentations), Boulder, CO.

Project #5-31262

The Development of a Daytime Multispectral Radiative Signature Technique for Estimation of Rainfall from Satellites

Principal Investigators: T. Vonder Haar/E. Smith

Sponsor's #NA80SA-C-00746; 7/15/80 - 5/31/82

Reports

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Project #5-31263

Colorado Demonstration - Intergovernmental Climate Program

Principal Investigator: T. McKee

Sponsor's #NA80AA-D-00118; 9/1/80 - 8/31/83.

Reports

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Project #5-31264

Surface Data Network Archives for PROFS

Principal Investigator: T. McKee

Sponsor's #NA80RA-G-00201; 8/1/80 - 9/30/82.

Papers

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McKee, T., and J. Kleist, 1983: Final technical report - PROFS surface data archive. Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO.

Project #5-31265

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Principal Investigator: T. Vonder Haar

Sponsor's #NA81RA-H-C0001; 10/1/80 - 6/30/83.

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Vonder Haar, T., K. Greiner, 1982: Annual report to the Advisory Board, September 1980 - June 1981. Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO.

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Vonder Haar, T., K.S. Greiner, 1982: Annual report on Cooperative Institute for Research Visiting Members Program, November 1982. Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO.

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Johnson, Donald R., 1982: Diagnostics of observed and numerically simulated extratropical cyclones. Guest lecturer. Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO (June 17th).

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Panofsky, H.A., 1982: Meteorology in the last half century - A personal perspective. Guest lecturer. Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO (December 10th).

Project #5-31268

Long-range Planning for Weather Modification

Principal Investigator: L. Grant

Sponsor's #NA81RA-H-00001, Amendment 1, Item 2; 11/1/80 - 3/31/82

Report

Grant, L., 1981: Progress report on "Long-range planning for weather modification". October 1981.

Project #5-31269

Research on Statistical Techniques for Improvement on Long Range  
Forecasts

Principal Investigator: G. Brier

Sponsor's #NA81AA-D-00039; 2/1/81- 7/31/83.

Report

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for improvement on long range forecasts. Progress Report -  
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Presentations

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State University, Ft. Collins, CO.

Brier, G., 1982: Teleconnections and statistical analysis. Seminar  
presented on May 25, 1982, NOAA, Washington, DC.

Project #5-31270

Satellite Studies & Focal Point Activities for PROFS

Principal Investigators: T. Vonder Haar/J.F.W. Purdom (T. Brubaker)

Sponsor's #NA81RA-H-00001; Amendment 2; Item 4; 2/1/81 - 10/31/83

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Brubaker, T., J. Purdom and T. Vonder Haar, 1981: Annual report for FY81, October 1981.

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Project #5-31271

The Design of Improvements in Severe Weather Warning Programs Utilizing  
Concepts and Products Derived from PROFS

Principal Investigators: T.M. Carter

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Principal Investigator: T. Vonder Haar

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Development of Validation and Verification Techniques for Precipitation  
Estimation from Satellites

Principal Investigators: P. Mielke/G. Brier

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Project #5-31274

Testing and Development of Ice Nucleation Materials and Generation  
Calibration

Principal Investigator: L. Grant

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Principal Investigator: W. Cotton

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Principal Investigator: T. Vonder Haar

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Principal Investigator: W. Gray

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The Genesis and Development of Deep Convective Storms: A New Approach to Their Prediction and Possible Modification

Principal Investigators: P. Sinclair/J. Purdom

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Project #5-31280

Satellite Data Reception and Analysis Equipment and Support for Research  
Activities

Principal Investigators: T. Vonder Haar/J. Purdom

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Project #5-31281

Local Transport and Dispersion in National Parks

Principal Investigator: R. Pielke

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Project #5-31284

Intergovernmental Personnel Act -- NOAA, National Weather Service

Principal Investigator: M. Carter

Dates: 8/25/82 - 8/24/83

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Project #5-31285

A Study of Park Visitors' Visibility, Related Behaviors and Their Relationship to Air Quality.

Principal Investigator: G. Haas

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Visibility

Principal Investigators: S. Cox/T. McKee

Sponsor: John Muir Institute; 8/24/82 - 6/30/83

No Papers, Reports or Presentations to date.



Project #5-36091

Development of Psychological Indicators of Visual Quality Judgments

Principal Investigator: R. Loomis

Sponsor: John Muir Institute; 8/24/82 - 6/30/83

No Papers, Reports or Presentations to date.

Project #5-36092

Atmospheric Transport Processes Affecting Visibility in National Parks

Principal Investigator: E. Reiter

Sponsor: John Muir Institute; 8/24/82 - 6/30/83

No Papers, Reports or Presentations to date.

Project #5-36093

Statistical Reduction and Analysis of Visibility-Related Data and  
Statistical Modeling of Visibility-Related Variables and Processes

Principal Investigator: W. Sadeh

Sponsor: John Muir Institute; 8/24/82 - 6/30/83

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TRAINING WORKSHOP IN SATELLITE METEOROLOGY--A REVIEW

A Training Workshop in Satellite Meteorology was held July 19-23, 1982 on the campus of Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado. The workshop was co-sponsored by CIRA at Colorado State University, The American Meteorological Society via its Committee on Meteorological Aspects of Aerospace Systems, and NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center. James F.W. Purdom of CIRA and NOAA/NESDIS chaired the workshop which was attended by over 80 scientists from across the country.

The workshop covered uses of satellite data in atmospheric science and provided state-of-the-art information on uses of satellite data as well as information concerning the "how to and where to" portions of getting the data. Another of the workshop's primary functions was to provide source material to university personnel for developing and augmenting courses in satellite meteorology and atmospheric science that would also be of considerable value to those involved in various aspects of meteorological research outside of the university community. A special preprint volume was prepared for the participants.

The workshop was divided into four sections. Each section was presented by experts in that field and ended with an open discussion of the state-of-the-art and promising areas for future development. The first section "Meteorological Satellites and Their Data," was presented by W. Vaughan of NASA/MSFC, D. Miller of NOAA/NESDIS, J. Scoggins of Texas A&M, and E. Hoppe of NOAA/NESDIS. The second section, "Satellite Image Analysis and Interpretation," was presented by V. Oliver of NOAA/NESDIS, J. Purdom of NOAA/NESDIS/CIRA, G. Wilson of NASA/MSFC, R. Adler of NASA/GSFC, T. Fujita of the University of Chicago, S. Kidder of the University of Illinois at Urbana,

and C. Griffith of NOAA/ERL. The third section, "Satellite Soundings and Their Uses," was presented by M. Chahine of JPL, California Institute of Technology, W. Smith of NOAA/NESDIS, and R. Atlas of NASA/GSFC.

T. Vonder Haar of CSU/CIRA presented the fourth section, "Satellite Data for Climate Studies. The banquet speaker was Dr. J. McElroy, NOAA's Associate Administrator for Satellites, who spoke on "Meteorological Satellites in the Future."

The set of volumes (3) are available for purchase from CIRA.

EXPANDED REPORTS - A SELECTION

ESTIMATING THE USES AND BENEFITS DERIVED FROM PROFS

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The Value of Weather Information in the Power Generation Industry:  
A Case Study

Background

In October of 1979 NOAA (ERL) initiated a new research program designed to facilitate the transfer of forecasting technology to practicing meteorologists. As originally conceived, the project encompassed more than the development of new sophisticated sensing networks and data displays. A series of studies were earmarked to determine the extent to which improved forecasts would benefit households, businesses and governmental operations. Specifically, these studies were intended to uncover user's needs and dissemination requirements. Findings regarding the type, timing and accuracy of weather forecasts were to help shape the nature of the weather displays as well as the raw data requirements.

The valuation of weather forecasts in the electric generation industry is but one of these studies. A public utility was selected after screening activities which have often been mentioned in the literature as being highly sensitive to weather. The criteria which were used to narrow the field of potential studies centered on: weather sensitivity, available options to mitigate losses; the magnitude of potential savings, the degree to which decisions could be captured by an economic framework, and the extent of cooperation and interest expressed by industry representatives.

To keep the research within manageable proportions, the project had to be further delineated. Focus was placed on a single utility. As a result, those aspects of power management which entail the interaction of utilities were simplified. Contractual arrangements between companies were represented as a firm commitment to purchase specified amounts of energy per month.

The task of measuring the value of improving weather forecasts clearly revolves around the type and quality of information received. Most utilities currently utilize the Weather Service's 24-hour forecast sometimes modified by the judgment of private meteorological consultants. At the time the project was initiated, the specific nature of forecast improvements was not specified. All that was known was NOAA's intent to increase accuracy, shorten the lead time, and insure area specificity. The details regarding the extent of improvements anticipated, the number of updates, or the format of the forecast could only be imagined.

The value of either currently available forecasts or potential improvements was scaled against the generating company's next best alternative. That is, it could simply use a form of persistence to guide their operating strategy. Certain cues such as yesterday's maximum temperature and the previous four-hour generating pattern provide a useful means of projecting future loads. These data would be available and independent of weather forecasts.

#### Objective and Approach

The object of the research was to determine the extent to which a generating company's fuel costs could be reduced as a result of better weather information. Experiments were performed varying the timing and

accuracy of forecasts. Decision theory has been traditionally applied to such problems. However, in this instance it had to be abandoned due to the complexity of the choices facing typical utilities. Computer simulations of observed operating rules were utilized instead.

The benefits of improving load forecasts were anticipated to fall into two categories. When demand is underforecast, more costly generators and expensive external sources of power are required. When demand is overestimated, an unnecessarily large generating capacity must be maintained.

The tie between weather forecasts and the subsequent value to users is displayed symbolically in Figure 1. A statistical analysis of Denver's daily electric load profile indicated that most of the variation could be predicted. The result was a series of equations demonstrating the influence of weather and nonweather factors on the city's demand for power. Three different models (each with 48 equations) were proposed. The first was based on the receipt of a single weather forecast, the succeeding day's high and low temperatures. The other two reflected short-term forecasts, one of which included weather variables the other did not. The latter utilized information about preceding hour's generation only. Separate equations were constructed for the weekdays in order to capture the effects of normal commercial activities. The resulting models were exercised to forecast loads and thereby determine the influence of any improvements on operating costs. This was done by feeding the load forecasts to a generation algorithm.

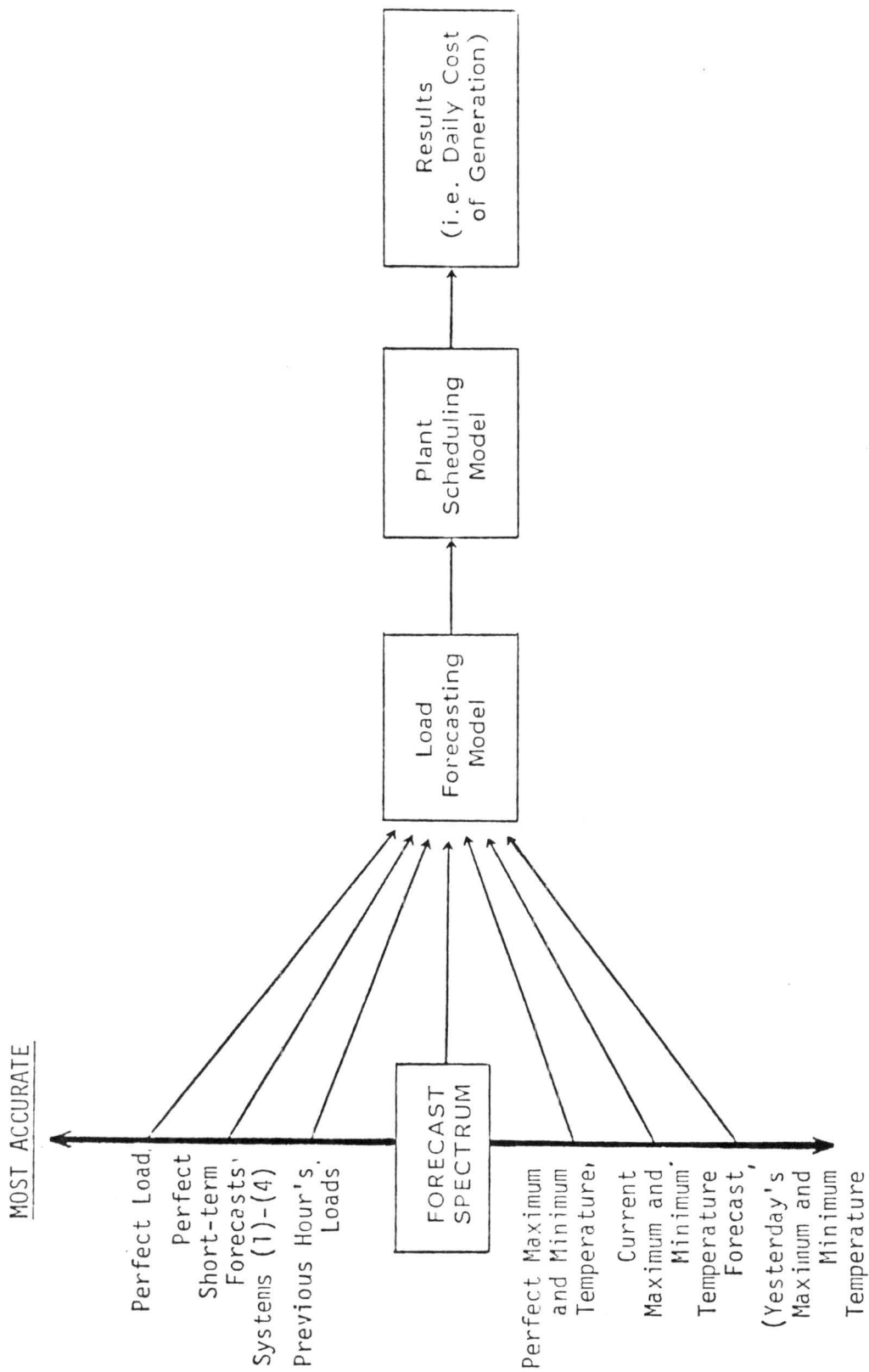


Fig. 1. Sequence of experiments performed to establish the potential economic value of improved weather forecasts to an electric generation utility.



The algorithm was designed to mimic the rules of thumb employed by a typical utility. Generating units were scheduled according to their incremental costs. Power was dispatched from the most inexpensive units first. The less efficient gas and oil units were then utilized to meet the region's peak power needs.

An example of the simulation's results is provided in Figure 2. The amount of power dispatched by unit (megawatts) is displayed in the upper portion of the Table; the lower rows summarize the hourly cost of meeting electricity demand. The daily costs are shown at the bottom of the Figure.

#### Summary of the Results

The scheduling model was exercised for a three-month period: June, July and August of 1980. Actual hourly weather information was utilized

Table 1. Summary results for the three-month period.

Forecast Type	Three-month Cost to Meet Demand (Assuming \$500/MW Penalty)
Perfect Load	\$47,561,000
Perfect High & Low Temperature Forecast	47,651,600
Perfect High & Low Perfect Four-hour Forecast	47,846,600
	47,716,200

to forecast demand and schedule units. As expected, the lowest cost solution was produced as a result of knowing the next day's loads with certainty. This sets the lower bound on cost since any other forecasting method would involve error and, consequently, a larger expense. Reliance on the previous day's observed weather yielded the least reliable load forecast.

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Fig. 2. Sample results for 6/4/80.

The resultant expense to the utility proved to be \$.0335 million higher. The added expense reflected the cost of maintaining excess capacity when demand failed to materialize. This comparison is somewhat unrealistic, but it does serve to illustrate the widest possible difference in cost and, hence, sets bounds on the magnitude of savings one could anticipate as a result of forecast improvements. The extent to which these costs could be reduced through improved information was determined by first experimenting with current forecast accuracy.

Given current skills, the cost of generation proved to be \$47.846 million, a slight improvement (\$44 thousand) over a persistence forecast.

Succeeding experiments focused on improving accuracy and verifying the lead time with which the forecast is received. For example, it was discovered that a "perfect meteorological forecast" resulted in operating costs declining to \$47.651 million. This means that the value of improving temperature forecasts of this nature is at most \$0.195 million over the ninety-day period.

The extent to which such savings could be achieved hinges on the degree of forecasting improvements that can be anticipated. Obviously, a perfect temperature forecast is out of the question. However, a dramatic improvement in short-term predictions may be achieved. This potential was explored by hypothesizing a perfect four-hour forecast. Operating costs dropped to \$47.716 million, implying that such an improvement would save the company nearly \$0.174 million.

The savings and costs cited above were derived for the peak period of June, July and August. One can only guess how these results might vary for the other seasons of the year. It may not be unreasonable, however, to anticipate winter savings to be one-half; and fall and

spring to be one-third of those realized in summer. If so, the present worth of the annual stream of fuel savings could be \$5.17 million for a perfect high-low temperature forecast, and \$3.77 million for a perfect short-term (four-hour) temperature forecast.\*

Aside from the value estimates just provided, the models provided some useful insights into several related issues. First, it was discovered that temperature forecasts did not alter scheduling over weekends. The load profile proved to be much flatter than that of weekdays. As a result, the demands could be met utilizing base units only. Under such circumstances forecasts play a limited role in shaping operating strategies, and the value of forecasts during this period is likely to be minimal.

It is also interesting to note that the simple load models developed for the Denver region are capable of explaining 92 to 95 percent of the variation in demand throughout the peak period (2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.). Despite the fact that the model's explanatory power drops during the off-peak period, the cost of meeting demands is not appreciably affected by the model's error. Apparently, it is accurate for the periods of the day when scheduling is most critical. The value of improving the model can be gleaned from the results displayed in Table 1. The cost of generation given a perfect load profile is \$47.561 million; the equivalent cost given a perfect high-low temperature forecast is \$47.651 million, only \$90 thousand higher. It appears that error in the temperature forecasts is the most critical aspect of the problem. Further refinements designed to reduce error in the model is unlikely to yield significant benefits.

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\*These estimates were obtained by discounting the annual savings in perpetuity (10 percent).

It may be unwise to draw sweeping conclusions from the study. Utilities serving customers in other climatic zones exhibit a different sensitivity to forecasts. The Public Service Company of Colorado's (PSCC) service area is dispersed geographically, yet Denver's demand looms large relative to the rest of the state. Consequently, climate and weather information is easily incorporated into the problem. A temperature forecast for the City of Denver alone is sufficient to determine the PSCC's daily load profile. In other regions of the country where the geographical dispersion is matched by regional variability in loads, the value of more sophisticated demand models may be enhanced. It should also be noted that the results are limited to day-to-day operations, primarily committing units and dispatching power. This is but one element of PSCC's operations. Weather forecasting may prove most value in the scheduling of maintenance of plants, line repair and/or cash flow projections (based upon anticipated electric usage).

LOCAL TRANSPORT AND DISPERSION IN NATIONAL PARKS

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This study, begun in September 1982, is directed toward developing an improved, more accurate assessment tool of potential air quality degradation in Shenendoah National Park due to the introduction of new source emissions in the vicinity of the Park. Current, operationally utilized tools are felt to be unable to realistically represent the complicated spatial and temporal variations of air quality which are likely to be present in irregular terrain, such as found in Shenendoah National Park.

One fundamental problem that needs to be addressed in mountainous terrain is: under what circumstances does a plume emitted in a valley move up and over an adjacent ridge, and when does it remain confined to the valley (e.g. see Figure 1). The answer to this question is expected to be a function of such parameters as effective stack height, local and synoptic thermodynamic stratification, and the prevailing large scale wind field (including its speed and directional shear). A goal for this component of the work is to quantify for idealized terrain, and for the specific terrain configuration of Shenendoah National Park, when will movement out of the valley adjacent to the Park occur and when it will not. The answer to this question is critical if realistic estimates of air pollution concentration within the Park are to be assessed.

One of the tools which we are using to determine the meteorology for specific terrain configuration is a mesoscale numerical mesoscale model which has been documented in the peer-reviewed literature (e.g. Segal and Pielke (1981), Segal et al (1982), Pielke and Mahrer (1978)). These studies

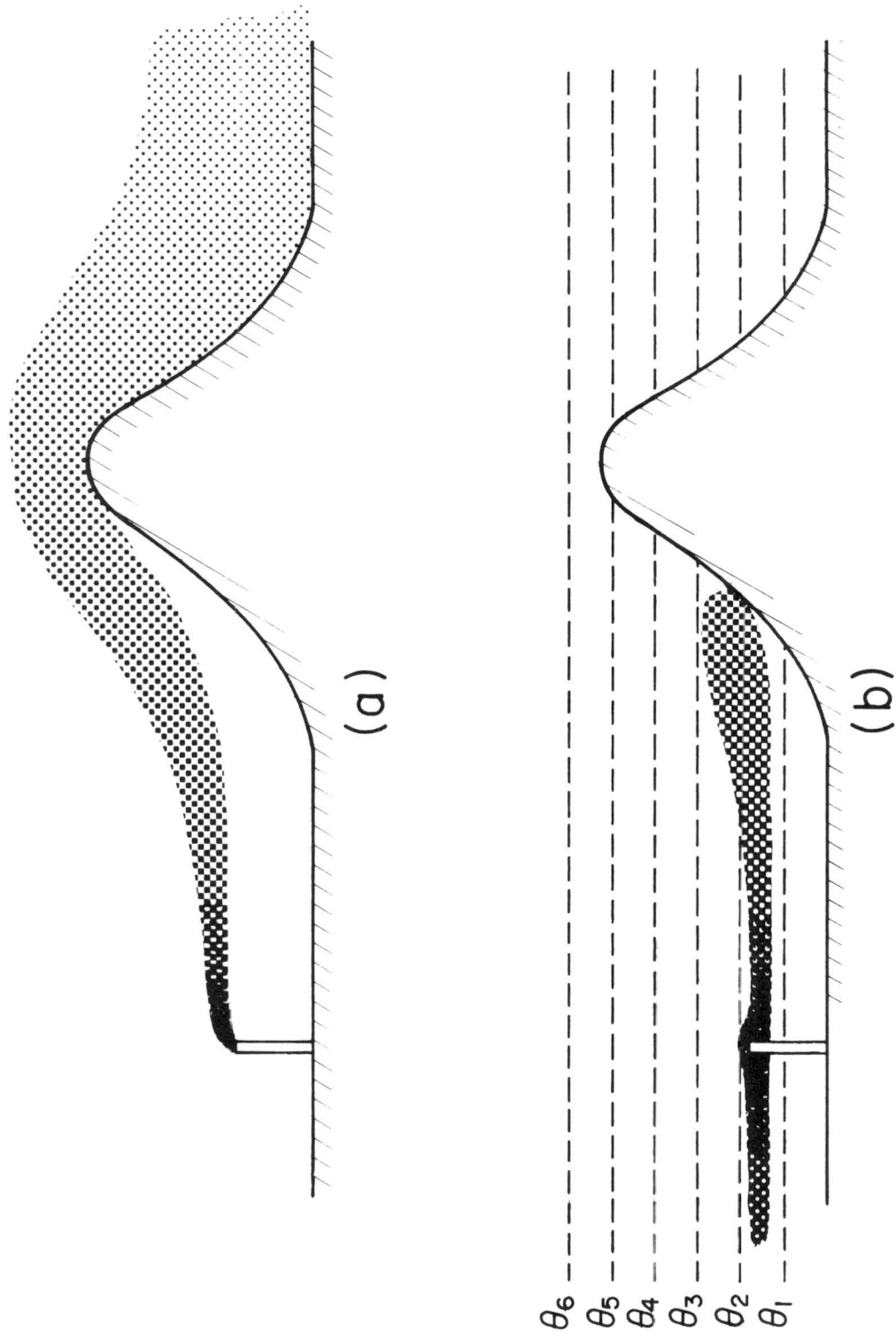


Figure 1 Schematic of plume behavior (a) in an adiabatic atmosphere where it easily moves up and over an adjacent ridge; and (b) in an atmosphere with large thermodynamic stability such that the plume is constrained to remain in the valley. A weak gradient wind flow from left to right is assumed.

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include the quantitative validation of the model for specific case studies of terrain-induced local weather features. The second tool to be applied in our investigation utilizes the output from the mesoscale model in order to drive a semi-stochastic transport and diffusion model. This model simulates the spread of an effluent which is influenced by a temporally and spatially varying field of wind and turbulence. As described in Pielke, et al (1983), this approach is felt to be an effective improved mechanism to assess air quality degradation due to point sources.

Among the other related questions which will be addressed in our study are:

- is the air pollution transferred from long distance into a local region (such as Shenendoah National Park) preferentially deposited in specific locations?
- using idealized, as well as real terrain configurations, what are the mechanisms and rate of accumulation of pollution for specific synoptic situations and times of day? How is this pollution flushed from the valley (either by shear-induced turbulence at the top of an inversion or through transport up and over the adjacent ridges)?

The answers to these questions will provide an improved understanding of the meteorology in complex terrain, as well as yield a next generation air quality assessment tool.



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SATELLITE STUDIES AND FOCAL POINT ACTIVITIES FOR PROFS

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ABSTRACT

The Prototype Regional Observation and Forecasting Service (PROFS) Program is designed to answer the needs of nowcasting and prediction in Colorado's front range area and has emphasized the summer convective season weather. The operational objectives to which CIRA has made contributions include forecasting, professional training and observation, realtime data processing and archiving, systems design and systems development. Investigative support has included analysis of the mesoscale convective environment and technical studies in the realm of satellite image interpretation.

### Operational Support to PROFS Summer "Exercise"

During the summer of 1982, the PROFS Program Office implemented experimental forecasting workstations at their Exploratory Development Facility (EDF) and at the Denver NWS Forecast Office (WSFO), information which was accessible to forecasting teams at these sites was the result of a massive, continuing program of collection, processing and display of current regional and local weather data. Forecasters were asked to analyze summertime weather patterns daily over eastern Colorado, in order to evaluate the requirements of a regional forecasting service and the severe weather prediction capabilities of the PROFS system in use.

Data sources available to the forecast team members included GOES satellite imagery, NWS radar reflectivity imagery, standard upper-air observations, surface mesonet data, and lightning strike locations. Colorado State University (CSU) provided GOES-West visible and infrared image sectors in near realtime each half hour. A satellite receiving and processing subsystem dedicated to this task was configured, and specialized applications and systems software written. The digital imagery was used within the EDF during the winter and spring quarters for the creation and testing of PROFS software, and during the summer for the forecast exercise. GOES-West three-minute rapid scan (RRSD) image sequences were archived at CSU for 21 severe weather days during the summer then processed and delivered to the EDF at the end of the summer season. Through these activities, CSU transferred to PROFS over 11,000 realtime satellite images and almost 5,000 rapidscan images from the summer operational period alone.

The expertise of the NESDIS Regional and Mesoscale Meteorology (RAMM) Branch was utilized through CIRA to provide forecast training,

evaluation of the experimental forecast exercise, and severe storm verification data. Video tapes and written training materials on the uses of satellite data for mesoscale analysis were prepared and distributed. Participation as lead forecasters involved training other forecast team members in nowcasting and severe thunderstorm watch/warning decision making. Evaluation activities of the forecasters were the monitoring of workstation performance and determining the relative usefulness of each available information display type during daily weather analysis and prediction.

Forecasts of severe weather scenarios were also made daily at CSU in order to schedule GOES rapid scan data collection periods. Also, nowcasting at CSU was used on occasions when "storm chase" vehicles left from CSU to obtain severe event observational data for PROFS forecast verification. Observers documented storm visual characteristics and provided event summaries with respect to supporting mesoscale and synoptic evidence.

#### Studies of Mesoscale Convective Development

Surface wind data from 20 PROFS surface mesonet stations have been analyzed for the month of July 1981 to determine characteristic flow patterns over northeast Colorado (Johnson and Toth, 1981a,b). It has been found that diurnal forcing by radiative heating exerts a dominant control on the flow fields with a basic pattern of drainage flow at night and upslope flow in the daytime. It is observed along the front range of eastern Colorado that rather than occurring simultaneously at all elevations, the downslope-to-upslope and upslope-to-downslope transitions begin at the foothills of the Rocky Mountains

and propagate eastward toward the plains. The period of time for the transition from downslope to upslope during July mornings is ~3 h and from upslope to downslope ~4-5 h. During July local confluence is found at midday (Fig. 1) along major east-west ridges in the region (e.g., Cheyenne Ridge and Palmer Lake Divide); and, consequently, these ridges are preferred regions for afternoon thunderstorm activity. The late afternoon onset of downslope flow (Fig. 2) appears to be often associated with a preferred development of thunderstorms at this time just west of the upper reaches of the South Platte River Basin followed by propagation toward eastern Colorado later in the evening. The occurrence of the downslope onset well before sunset may be a consequence of downward mixing of westerly momentum by the growth of the convective boundary layer or may somehow be caused by the early afternoon development of cumulonimbus along the Continental Divide.

A preference for thunderstorm development along the Cheyenne Ridge and Palmer Lake Divide rather than the adjacent river valleys is evident in the July average precipitation pattern over the region (Fig. 3).

All convective days in Colorado for the period May 1-September 10 in 1981 were analyzed through the use of GOES imagery and 1200 GMT synoptic data, including surface dewpoints, winds, 700 mb moisture and 500 mb geostrophic winds. Satellite photos were used to stratify convective initiation patterns and favored areas according to synoptic conditions. Hourly images between 1500 and 2200 GMT for the months of June, July and August were digitally composited into image products (see Fig. 4) which typify cloud development under the various synoptic stratifications. Comparison of the composite images with realtime data

can be valuable as an assessment of convective potential and cloud distribution (Kelly, 1982).

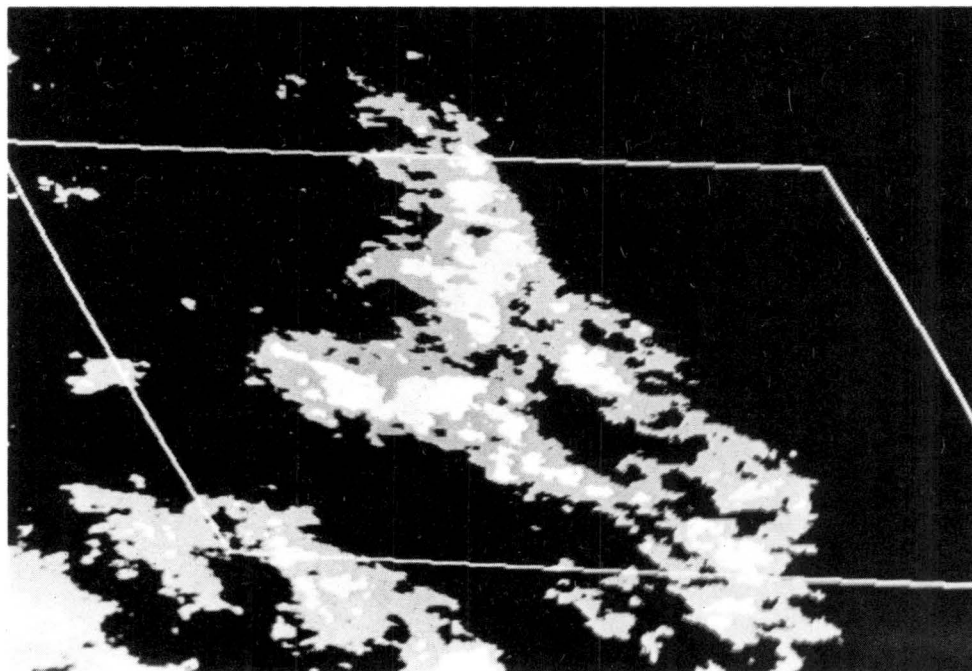


Fig. 4. Composite of visible satellite imagery for mid-morning in July over Colorado region.

Fourteen case study days from the summer 1981 were also selected to investigate and document thunderstorm propagation mechanisms in Colorado. Utilizing the 1981 RRSD data set and image display facilities at CSU, along with Limon radar film, radiosonde observations, conventional and PROFS mesonet surface data, each case was analyzed in detail. Cells which moved differently than the mean cloud layer flow were identified, and the characteristics of these were compared with other convective complexes in the vicinity. A classification scheme and conceptual model of thunderstorm motion is being pursued (Zehr, 1982).

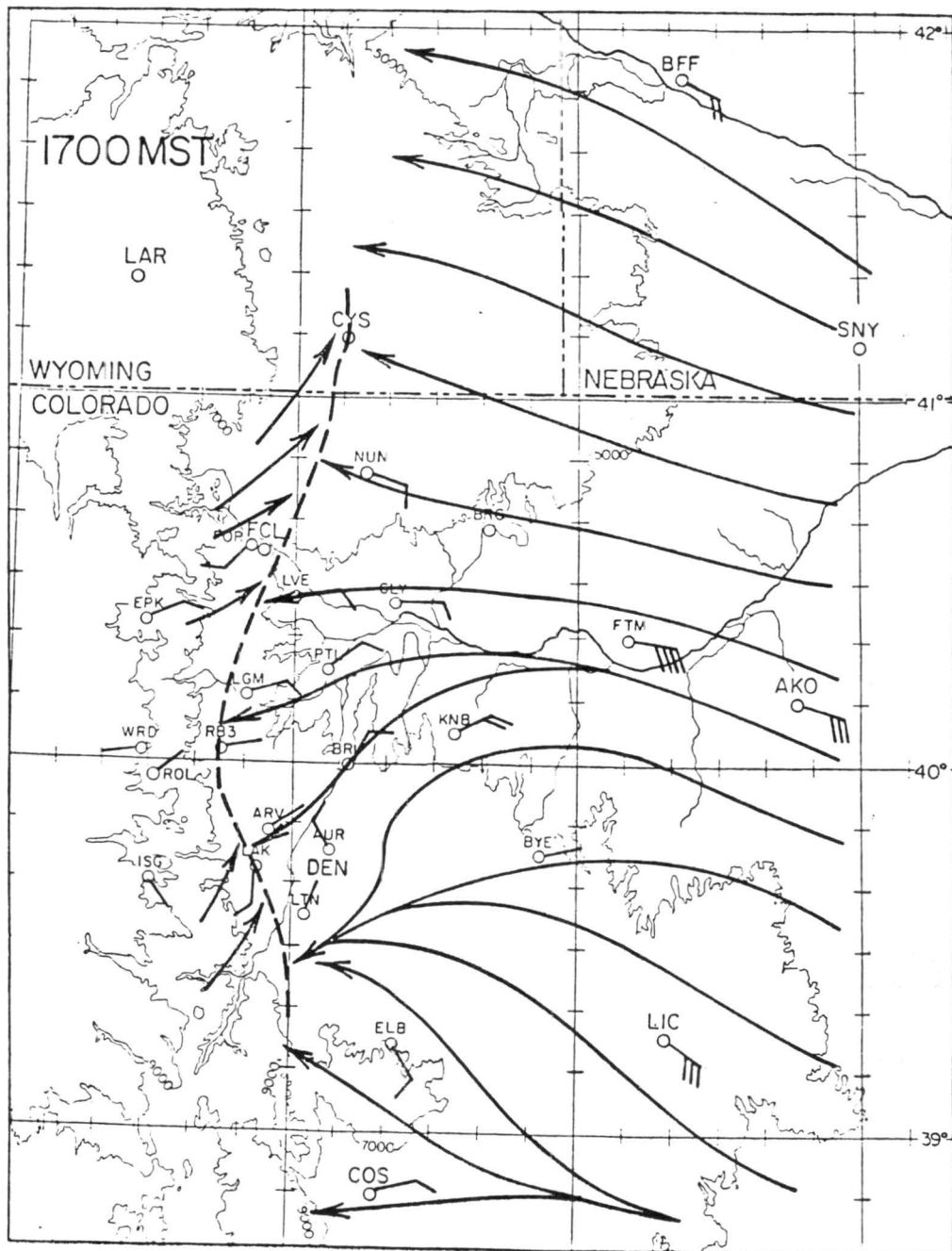


Fig. 1. Surface streamline analysis for 1700 Mountain Standard Time (MST). Plotted winds are in  $\text{ms}^{-1}$  (one full barb =  $1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ). From Johnson and Toth (1982b).

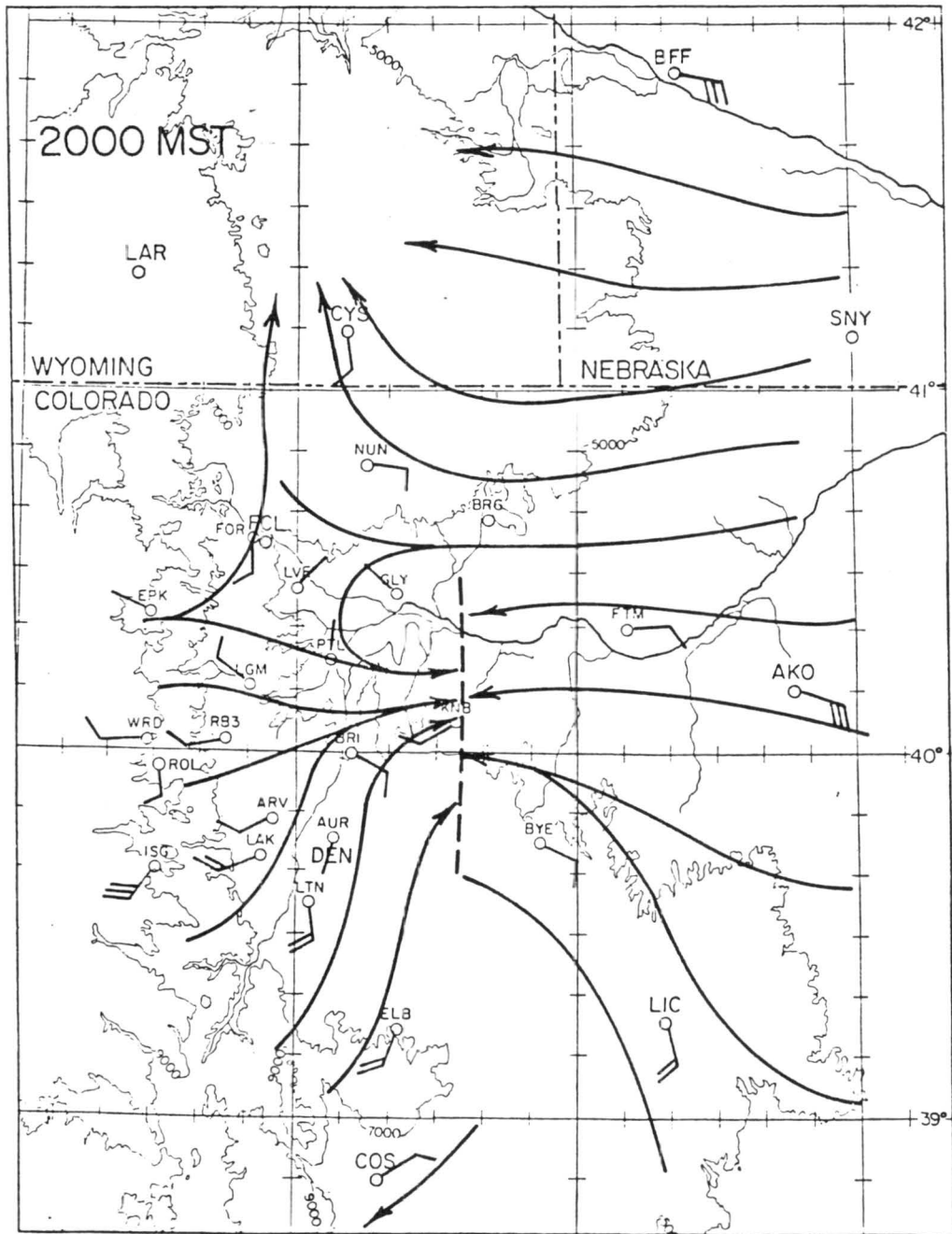


Fig. 2. Surface streamline analysis for 2000 Mountain Standard Time (MST).  
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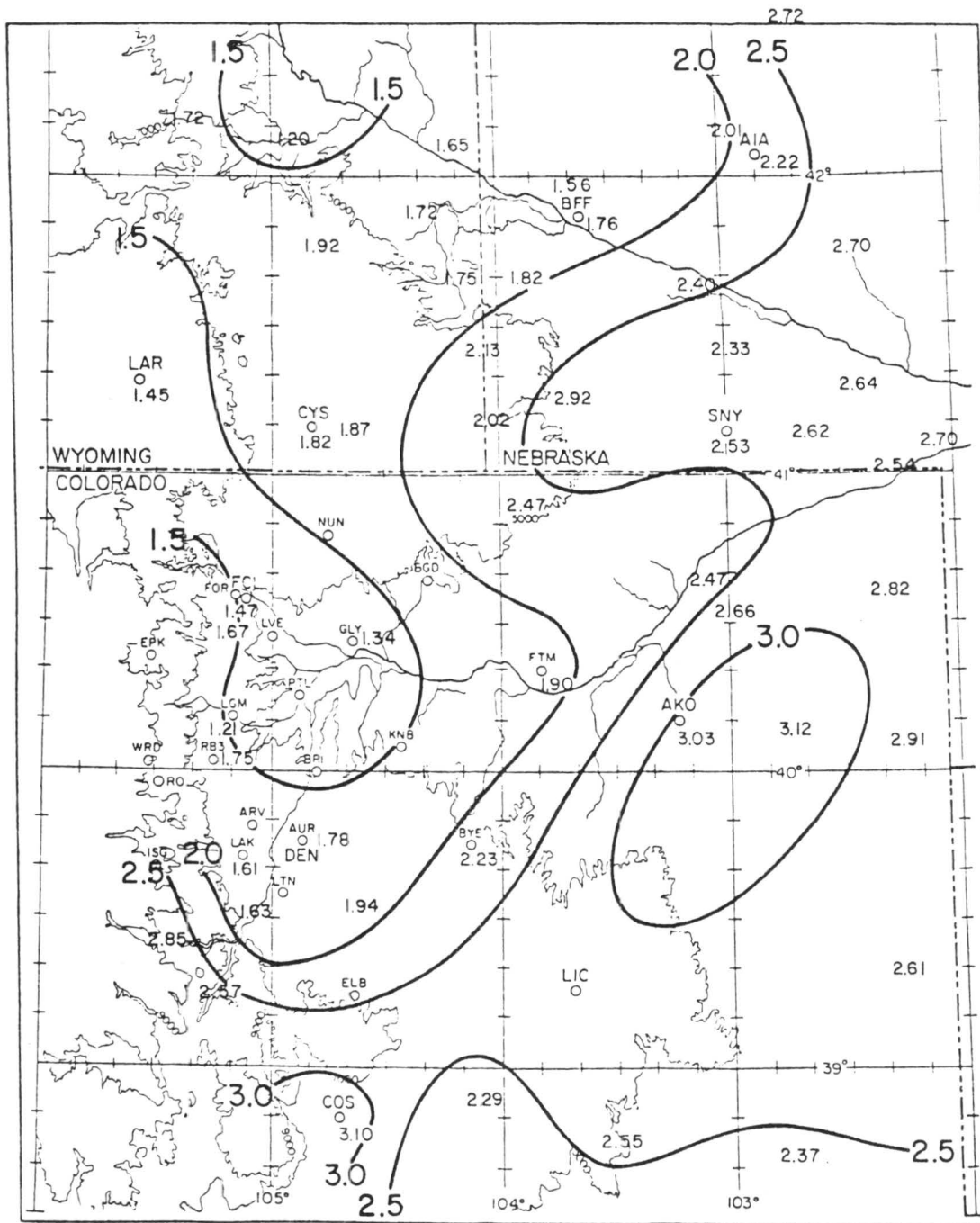


Fig. 3. July average precipitation over the region of this study (inches). From Johnson and Toth (1982b).

Other work in satellite analysis and applications has been the use of RRSO infrared imagery with interpolative image magnification and selective color enhancement of cloud top thermal gradients. This process revealed more continuity in the movement of warm and cold anvil areas. Cloud top structural evolution is being related to the underlying three-dimensional radar echo patterns. Results from these studies will be used to assess the temporal frequency requirements of satellite and radar scanning for severe storm nowcasting (Purdom, Green and Parker, 1982).

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