

ANALYSIS OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS AND GROUND O₃ LEVELS IN SUMMER OVER THE CENTRAL KANTO AREA

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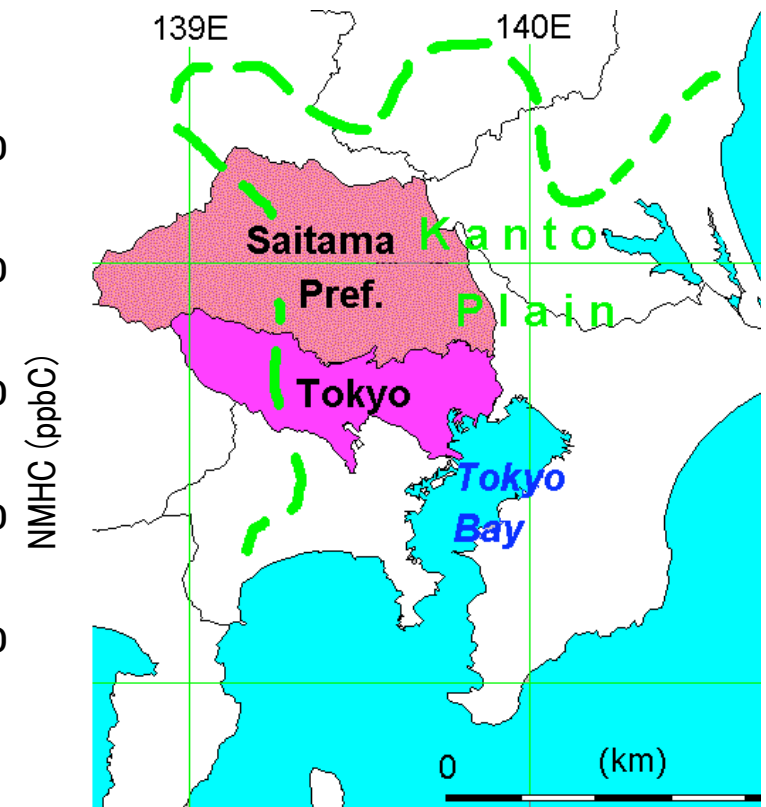
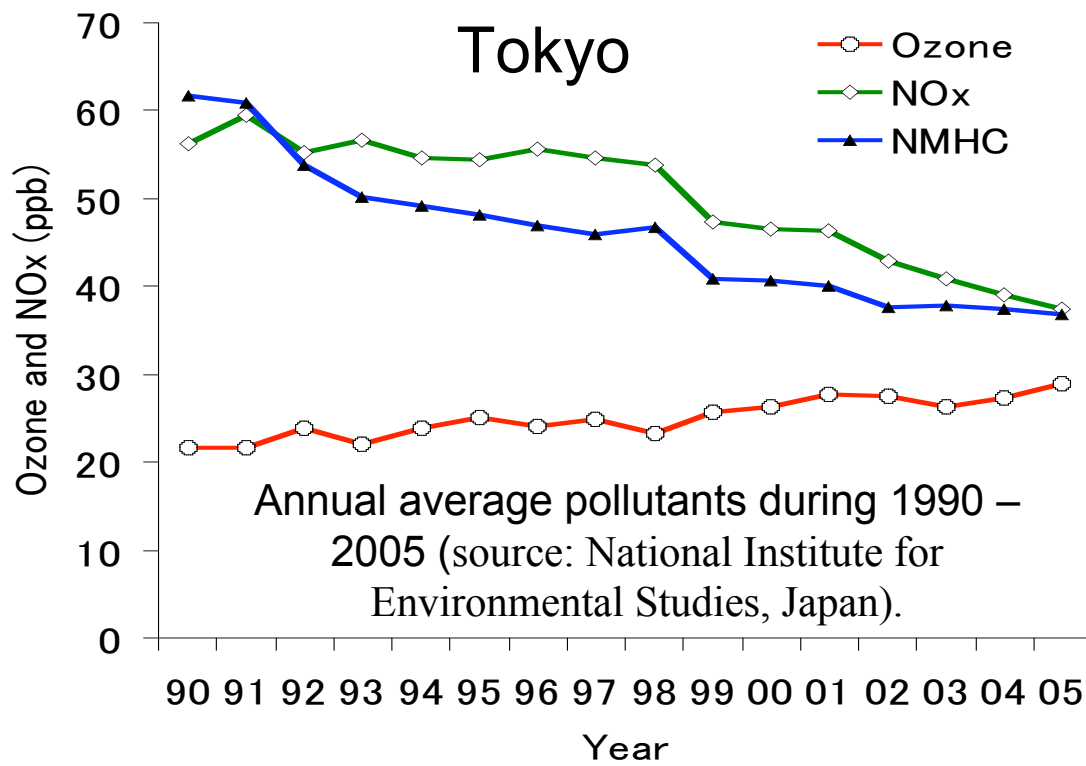


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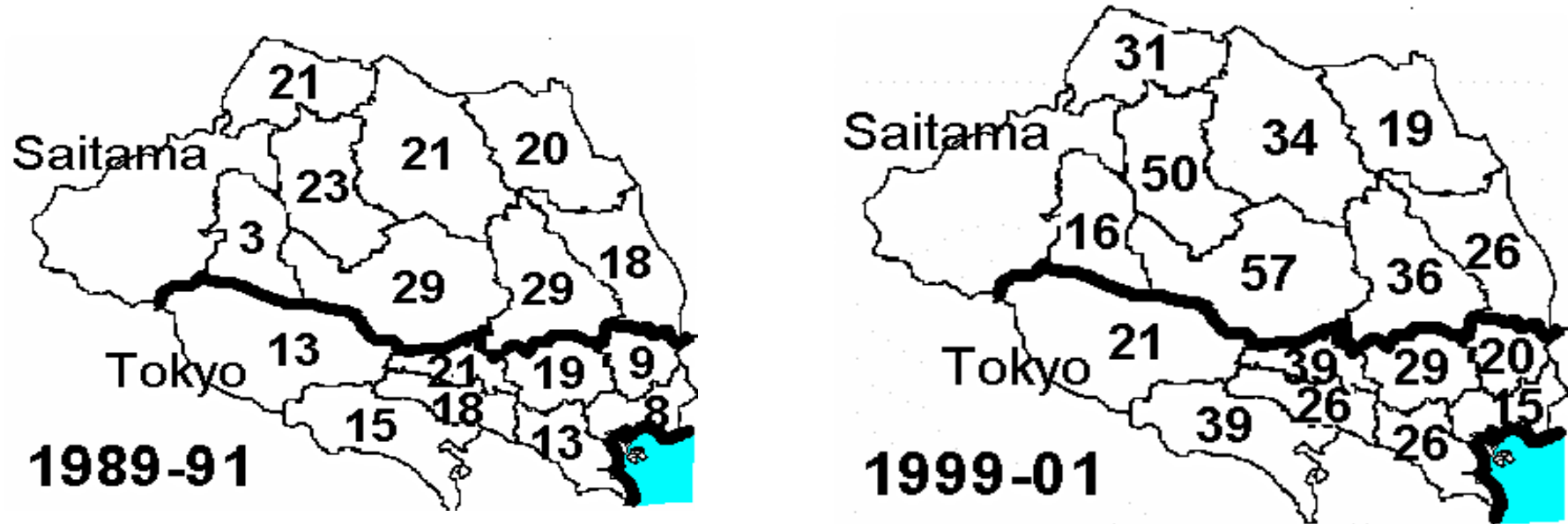
■ Both NO_x and NMHC have a decrease tendency. **However, O concentration has not been reduced**

■ **About 10ppb/16 years in Tokyo**



1. Background

Increase in number of high Ox days in summer

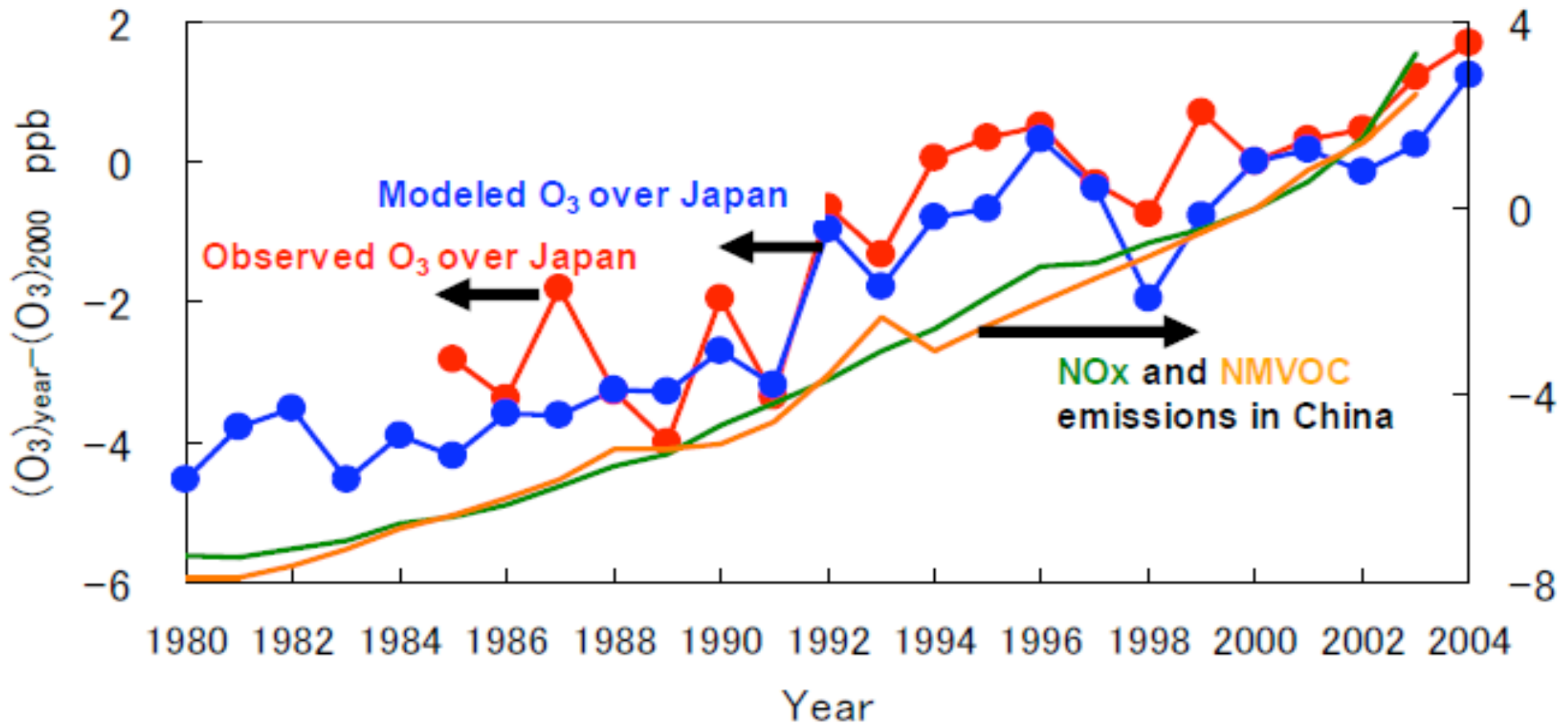


YoshiKado (2004)

*) High Ox day means its highest value in each sector exceeding 120 ppbV for two consecutive hours.

What are reasons? The trans-boundary from other Asian countries, chemistry, meteorology ...

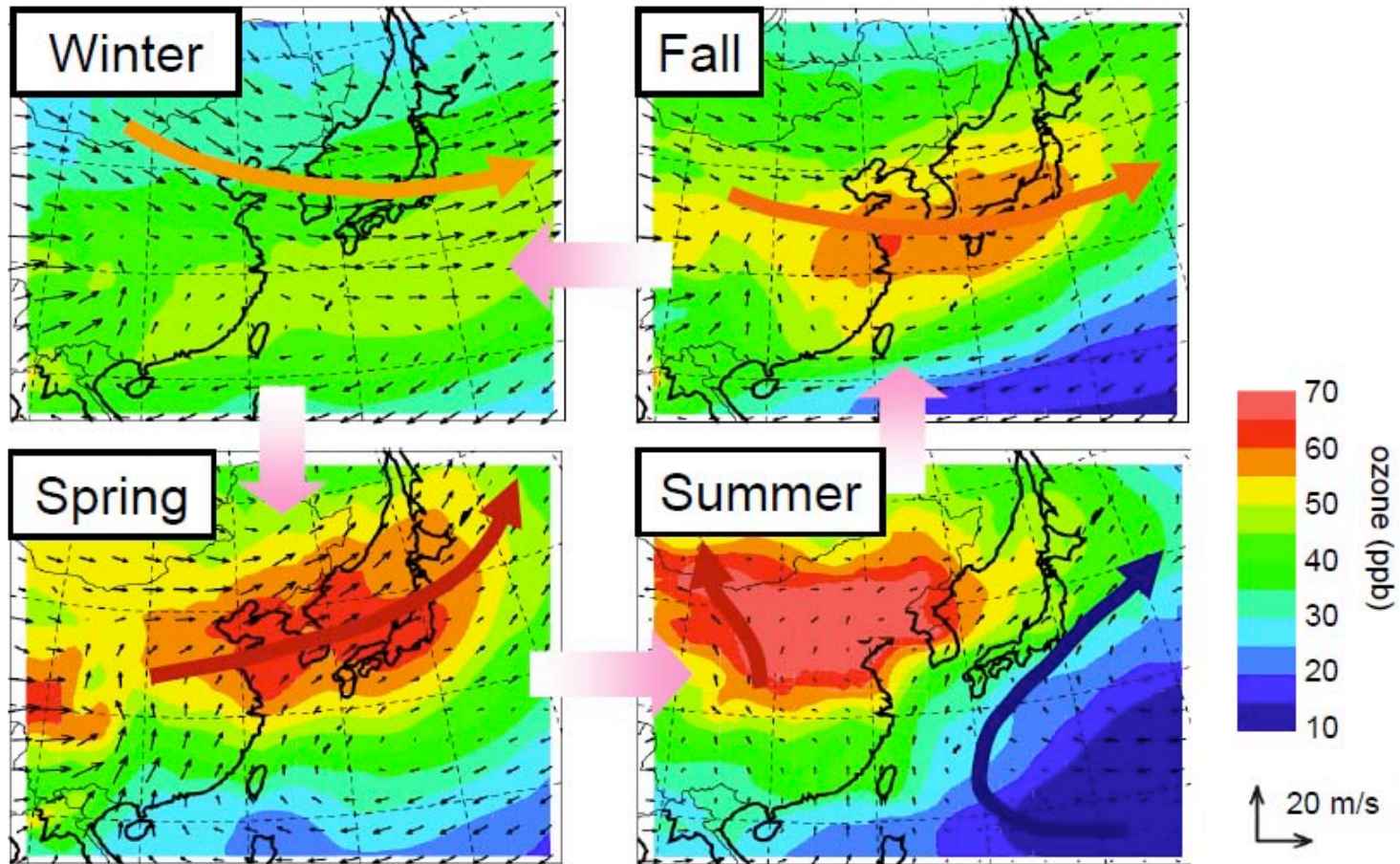
Relationship between O₃ concentration in Japan and emission of NO_x and NMVOC from China (Ohara, 200)



There is a possibility of trans-boundary pollution.

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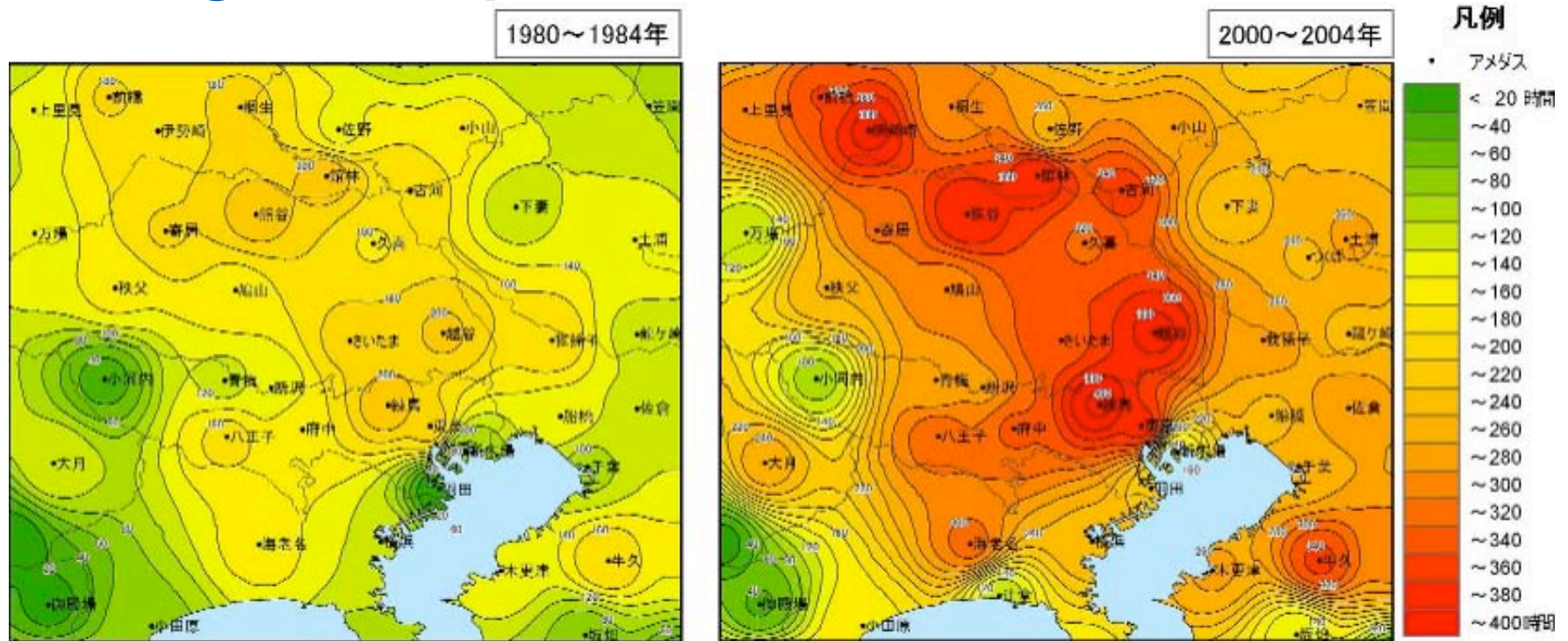
However, peak concentration of O_3 is observed in summer.



There is another reason except for trans-boundary pollution in summer.

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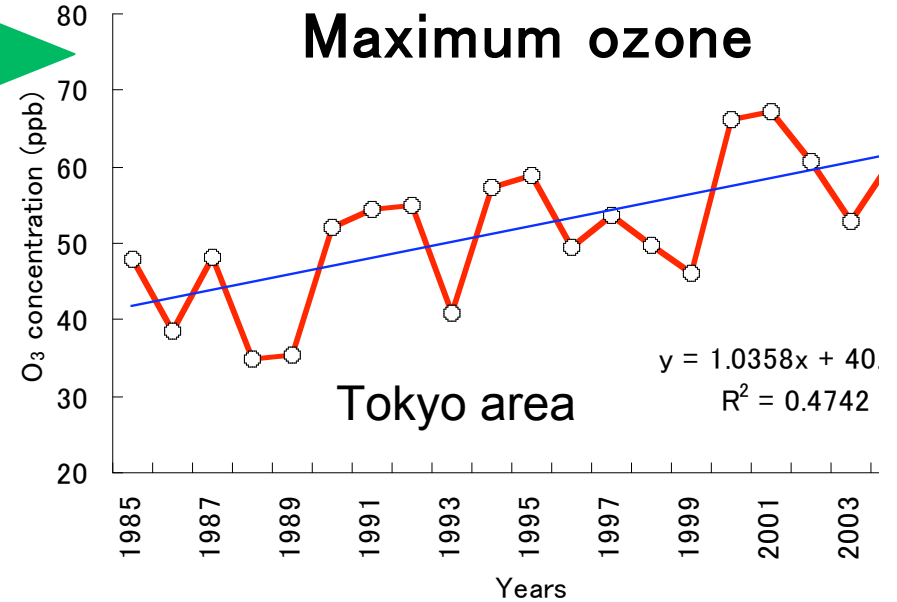
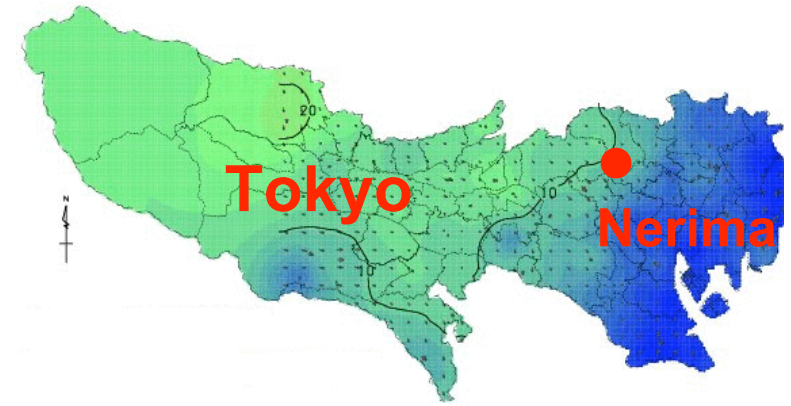
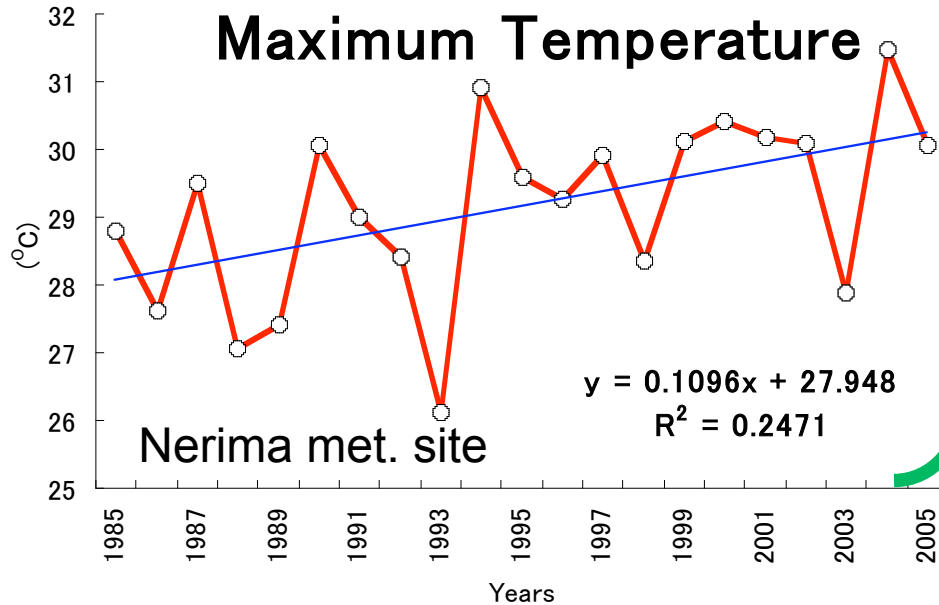
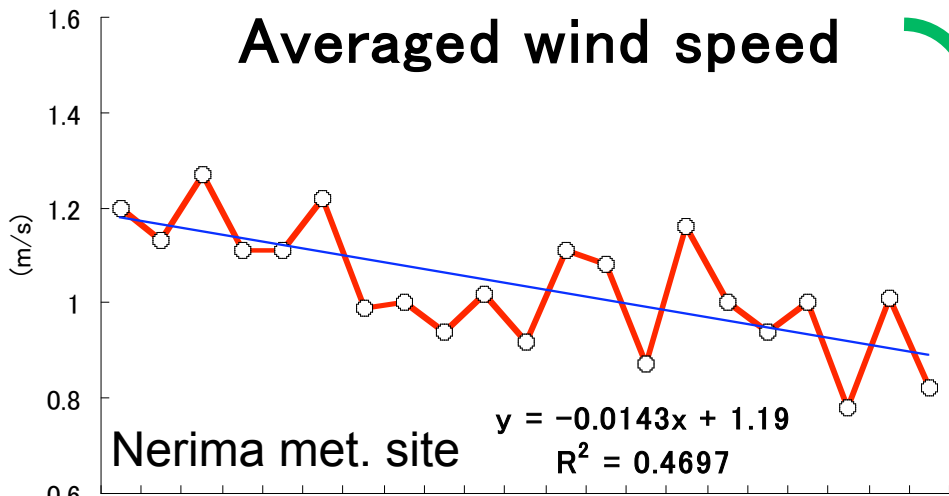
Global and urban warming has been recognized resulting from rapid urbanization



Total hours exceeding 30 deg C (Annual average for each 5 years). <http://www2.kankyo.metro.tokyo.jp/heat/heat1.htm> (2009.6)

1. Background

Change in meteorological conditions



2. Objectives

1. Analysis the variation of the peak O_3 and its possible relation with change in meteorological conditions based on measurements
2. Consider these relationships based on numerical simulation



3. Methods

- Statistical analysis (a multiple regression analysis)

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_m x_m + \varepsilon$$

y: objective variable (ozone concentration)

x_i: independent variables (meteorological variables)

a_i: regression coefficients (estimated by least square procedure)

- Numerical simulation

MM5 model (The Fifth-Generation NCAR / Penn State Mesoscale Model)

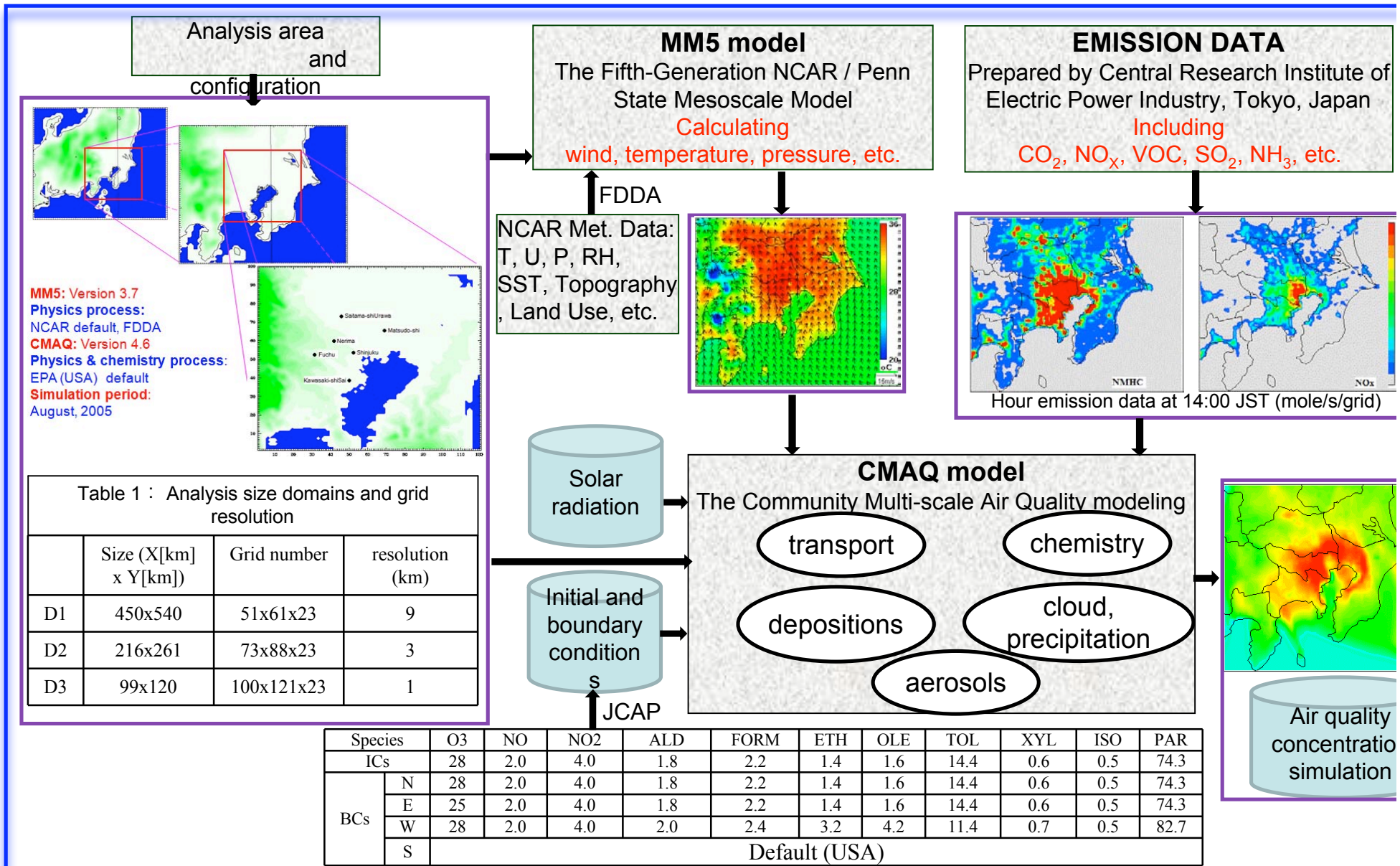
Simulating meteorological variables; T, U, RH, P,.....

CMAQ model (The Community Multi-scale Air Quality modeling, EPA , USA)

Simulating aerosol and gas; O₃, CO, NO_x, NH₃, SO₂,.....



3. A multiple-scale numerical model



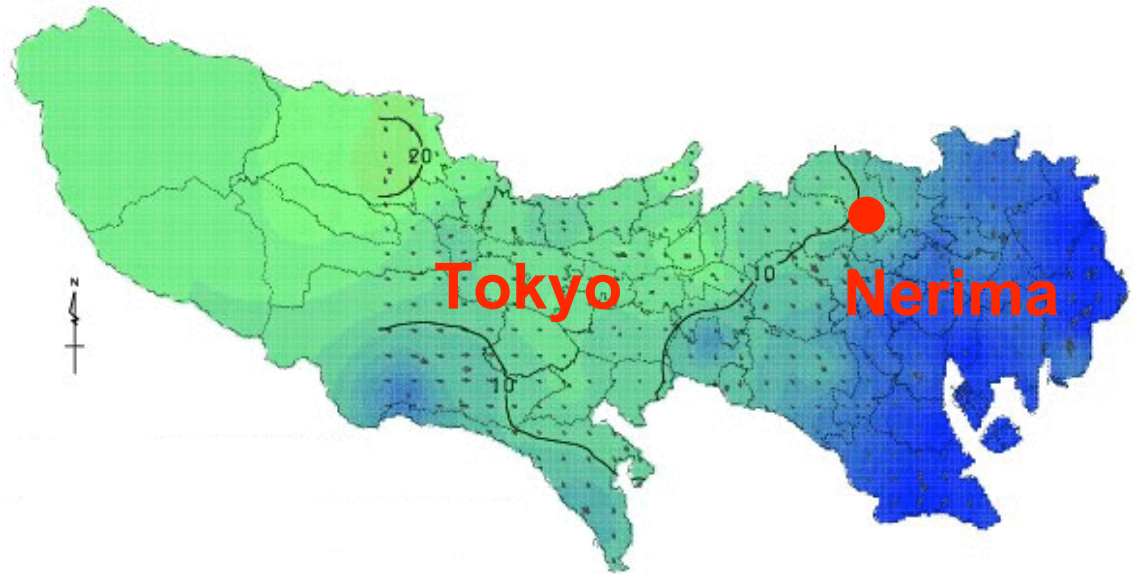
RESULTS



4.1 Long-term variation of the peak ozone: Observation analysis

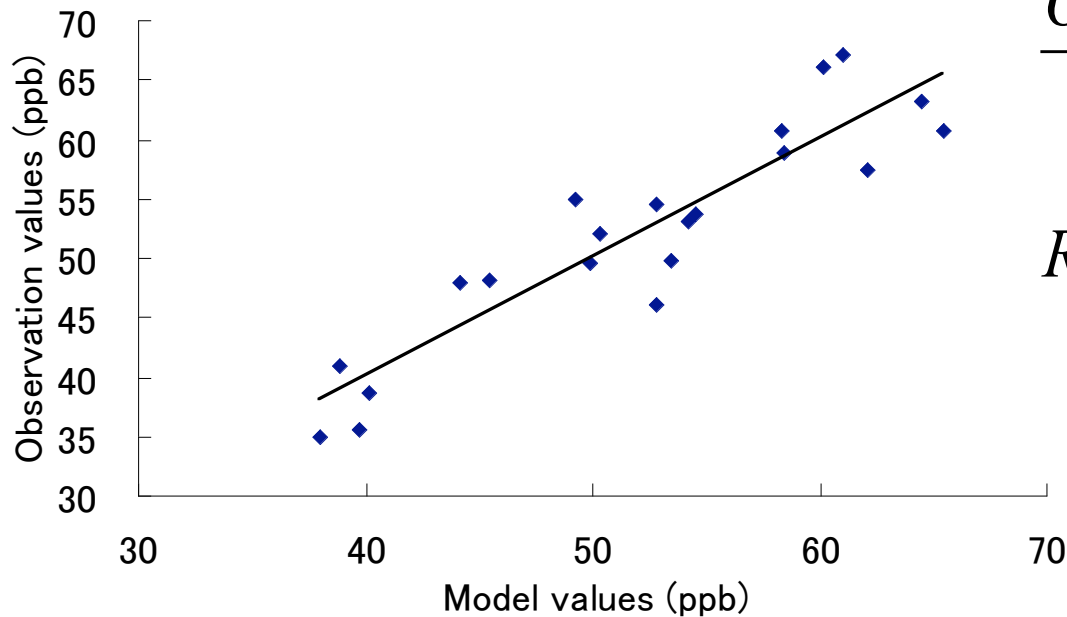
Analysis conditions

- Study periods:
1985 ~ 2005
- Methods:
Statistical analysis
- Data: Observation



Variables	Definition
Ozone (O_3)	- Seasonally averaged daily maximum value of environmental monitoring sites in Tokyo
Temperature (T)	- Seasonally averaged daily maximum temperature and averaged wind speed at Nerima meteorological site.
Wind speed (U)	

4.1 Long-term variation of the peak ozone: Observation analysis



$$\frac{O_3 - \bar{O}_3}{\sigma_{O_3}} = 0.80 * \frac{T - \bar{T}}{\sigma_T} - 0.49 * \frac{U - \bar{U}}{\sigma_U}$$

$$R = 0.91, \quad R^2 = 84.1$$

R is the multiple correlation coefficient and,
R² is the fraction of the variance explained by the regression

□ 84.1% of the variation of the peak O₃ may be accounted for by changes in temperature, and wind speed.



4.1 Long-term variation of the peak ozone: Observation analysis

Trend of O₃ concentration in Tokyo area

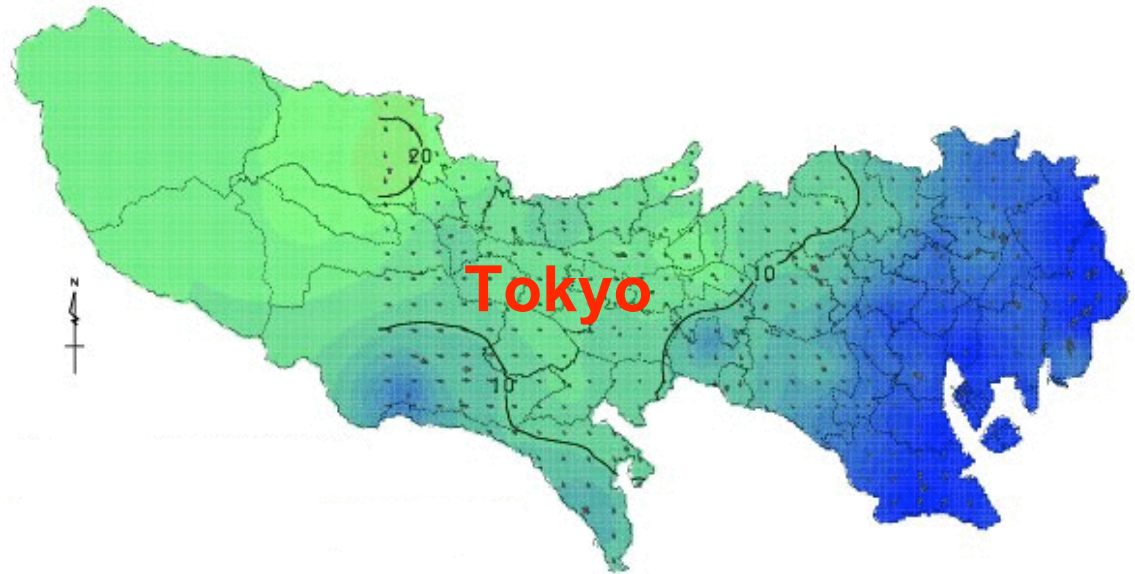
	Periods	Observation	Model
Averaged daily maximum concentrations (ppb)	1980s	41.04	41.51
	1990s	51.77	52.25
	2000s	61.80	60.60
Difference between periods (ppb)	1990s-1980s	10.73	10.74
	2000s-1990s	10.03	8.35

- ❑ Both Observation and Model show upward trend of the peak O₃ concentration
- ❑ This result suggests that changes in meteorological conditions contribute to increase the peak O₃ concentration

4.2 Short-term variation of the peak ozone: Observation analysis

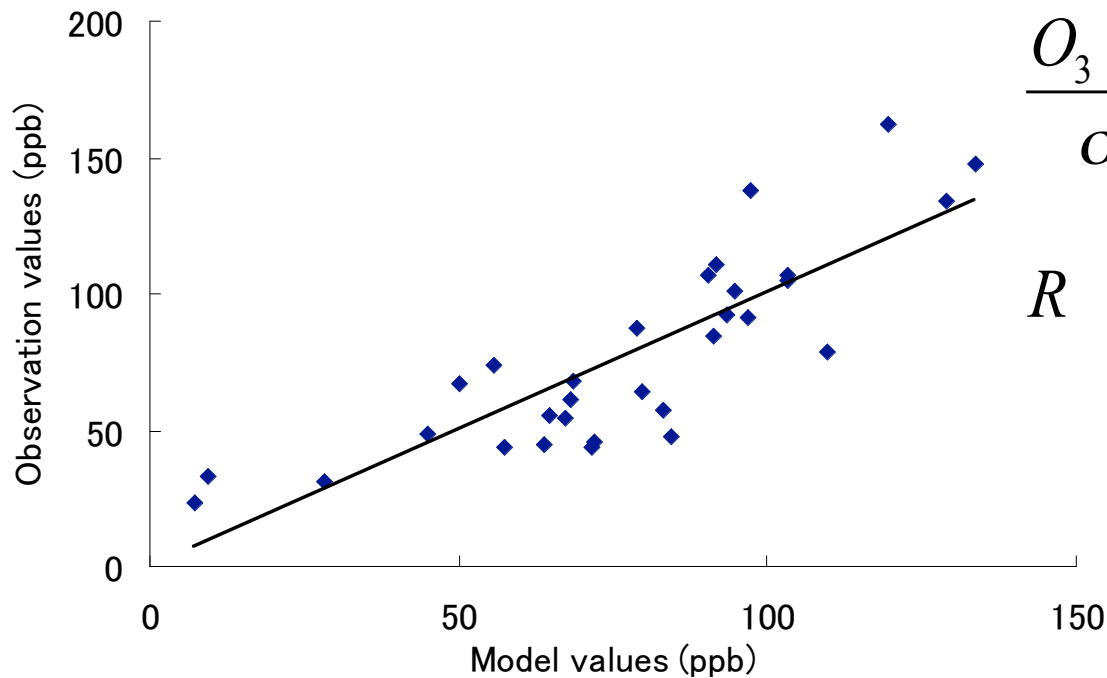
Analysis conditions

- Study periods:
August, 2005
- Methods:
Statistical analysis
- Data: Observation



Variables	Definition
Ozone (O ₃)	- Averaged daily maximum O ₃ of monitoring sites in Tokyo area
Temperature (T)	- Averaged daily maximum temperature, and averaged wind speed of monitoring sites in Tokyo area
Wind speed (U)	

4.2 Short-term variation of the peak ozone: Observation analysis



$$\frac{O_3 - \overline{O_3}}{\sigma_{O_3}} = 0.57 * \frac{T - \overline{T}}{\sigma_T} - 0.68 * \frac{U - \overline{U}}{\sigma_U}$$

$$R = 0.84, \quad R^2 = 70.3$$

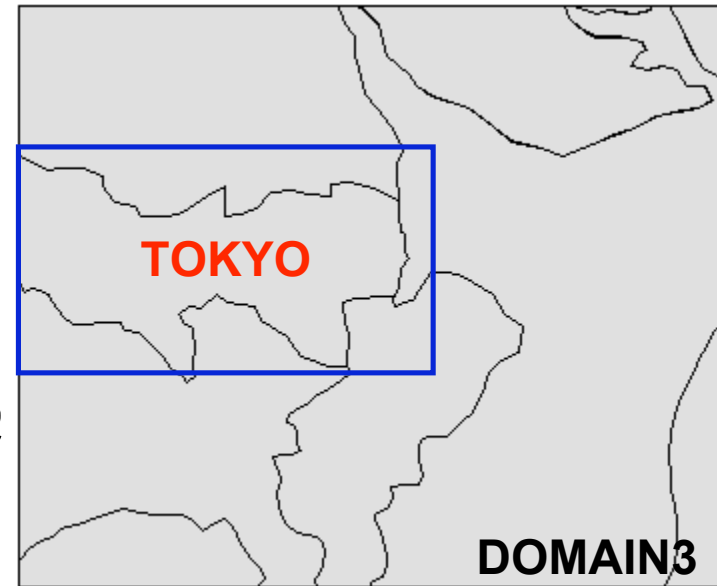
- 70.3% of the short-term variation of the daily maximum ozone depend on temperature and wind speed



4.3 Short-term variation of the peak ozone: Simulation analysis

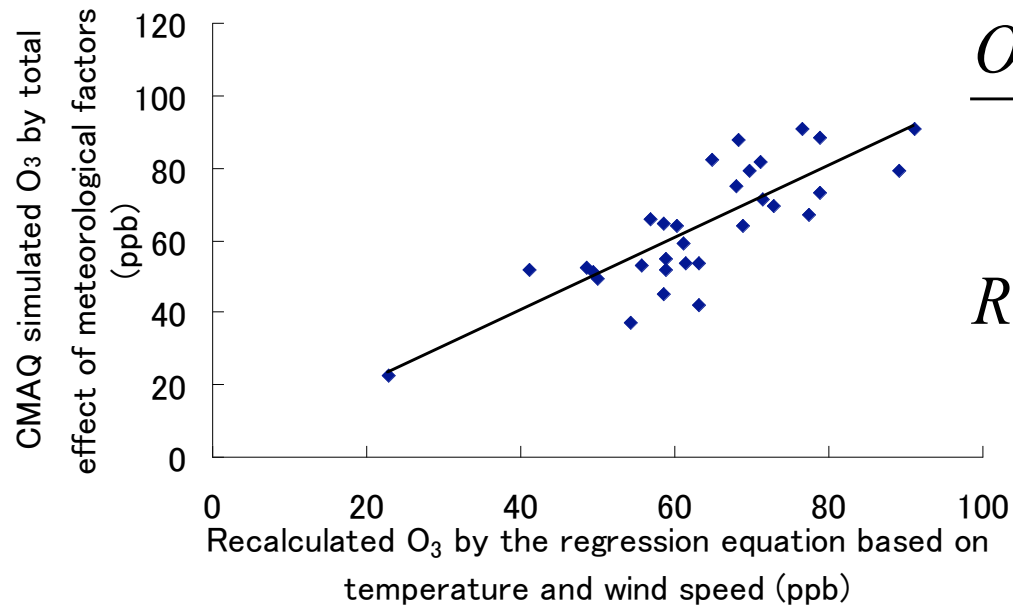
Analysis conditions

- Study periods:
August, 2005
- Methods:
Statistical analysis and MM5/CMAQ
- Data: MM5/CMAQ simulation



Variables	Definition
Ozone (O_3)	- Averaged daily maximum O_3 of grid points in Tokyo area
Temperature (T)	- Averaged daily maximum temperature, and averaged wind speed of grid points in Tokyo area
Wind speed (U)	

4.3 Short-term variation of the peak ozone: Simulation analysis



$$\frac{O_3 - \overline{O_3}}{\sigma_{O_3}} = 0.45 * \frac{T - \overline{T}}{\sigma_T} - 0.66 * \frac{U - \overline{U}}{\sigma_U}$$

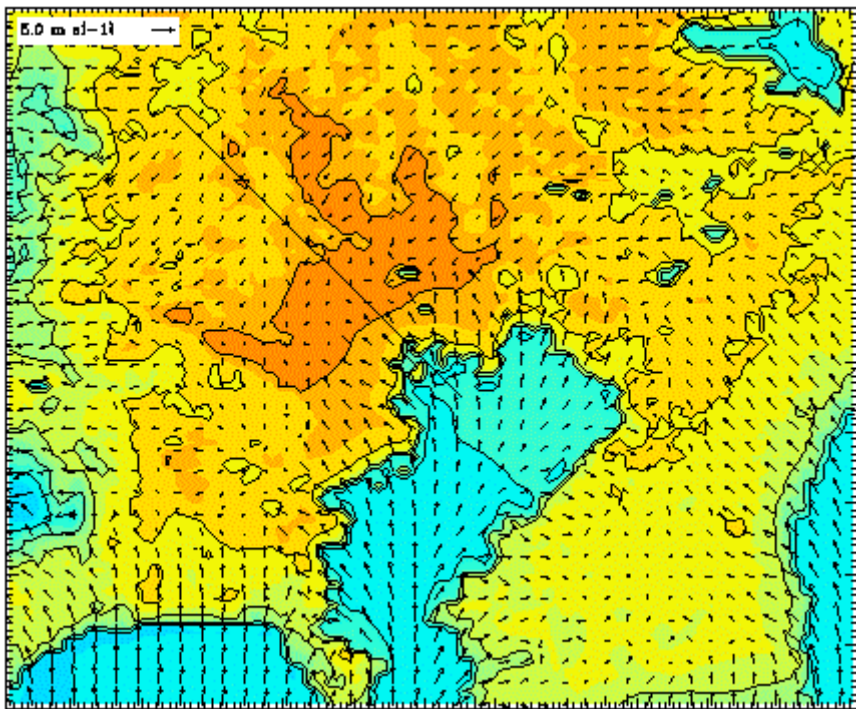
$$R = 0.81, \quad R^2 = 66.0$$

- 66.0% of the short-term variation of the daily maximum ozone depend on temperature and wind speed

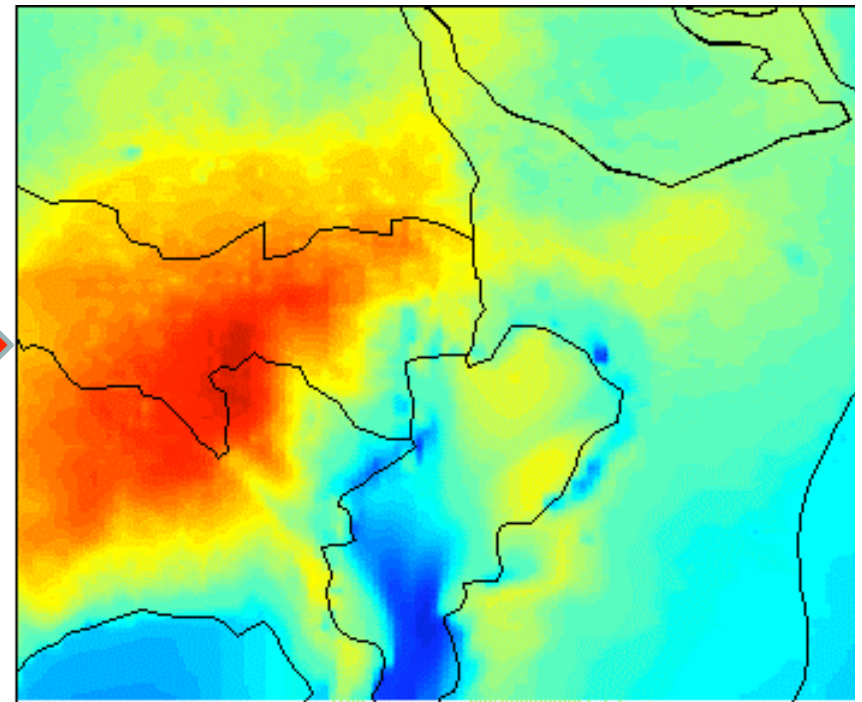


4.4 Ozone levels – Urban Heat Island: Simulation analysis

- UHI ~ high temperature, weak wind >> more photochemical production and more O₃ accumulation >> more O₃



Temp & Wind



Ozone

14:00 JST, August 4th



5. Conclusions

- ❑ There is a close relationship between meteorological conditions and the peak O_3 in summer over the central Kanto area
- ❑ Up to 84.1% of the long-term variation of the peak O_3 may be accounted for by changes in T and U, while that is about 70.3% in the short-term variation
- ❑ UHI has strong effect on O_3 levels.
- ❑ **Changes in meteorological conditions may contribute to the rising O_3 levels over the central Kanto area!**



Thank you
for your attention!

