

# A Simulation Study of Global Distribution of Temporal and Spatial Variation of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentration

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# Significance

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- **PM2.5——Environment and Health**

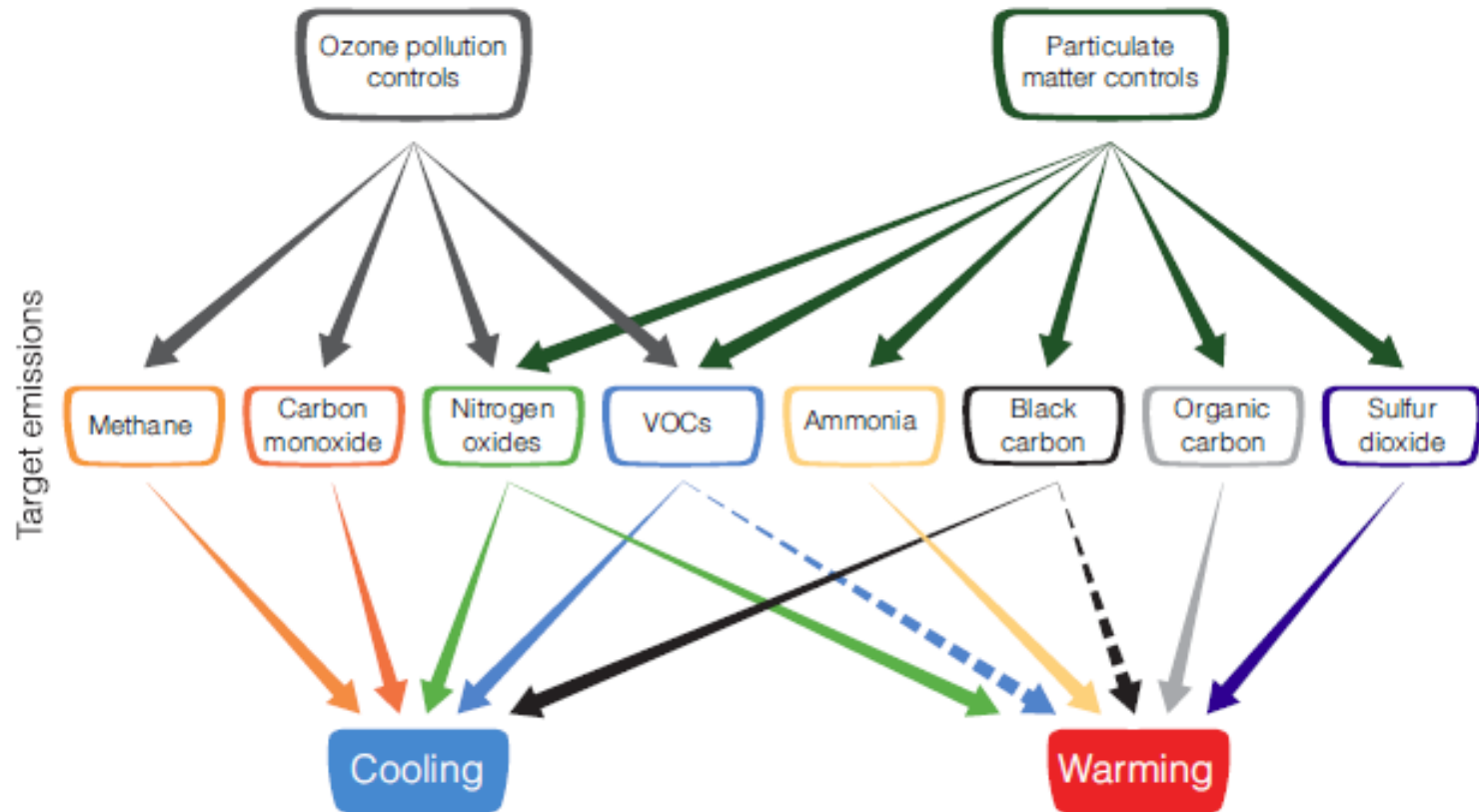
- Reduce visibility, affect the quality of air;
- Increase mortality rates of severe and chronic disease and damage respiratory system; increase the cancer rates.

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- **PM2.5——Climate**

- Influence cloud, precipitation, etc.
- Influence the radiation balance of atmosphere.

# Air pollution and Climate

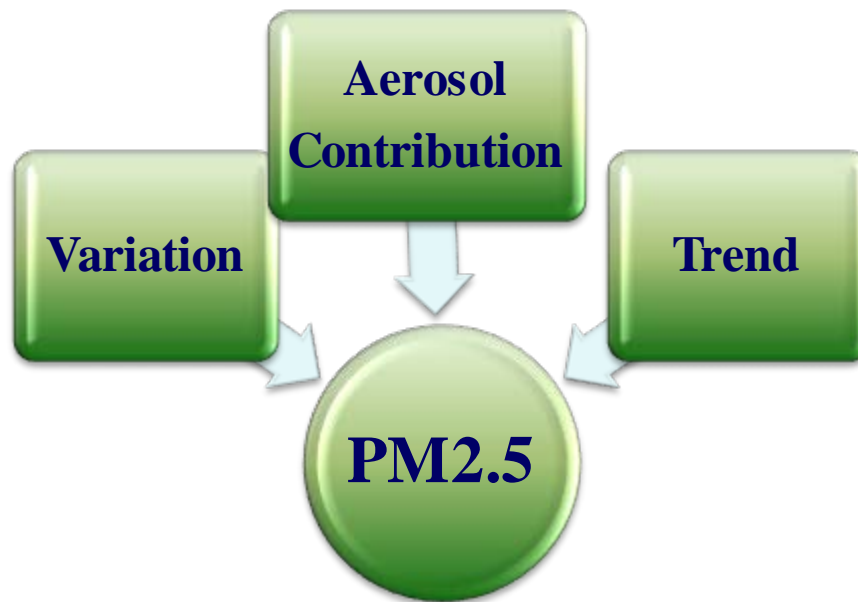


FAQ 8.2, Figure 1: Schematic diagram of the impact of pollution controls on specific emissions and climate impact. Solid black line indicates known impact, dashed line indicates uncertain impact.

From IPCC AR5

# Purpose

From the past to the future : 1850-2010-2050-2100 :



- (1) The **variation** of PM2.5/anthropogenic/natural aerosol concentration.
- (2) The **contribution** of each aerosol to PM2.5 and its variation over China.
- (3) The **trend** of PM2.5 concentration at typical regions of the world.

# Observational PM<sub>2.5</sub> in 2013 air pollution event In China

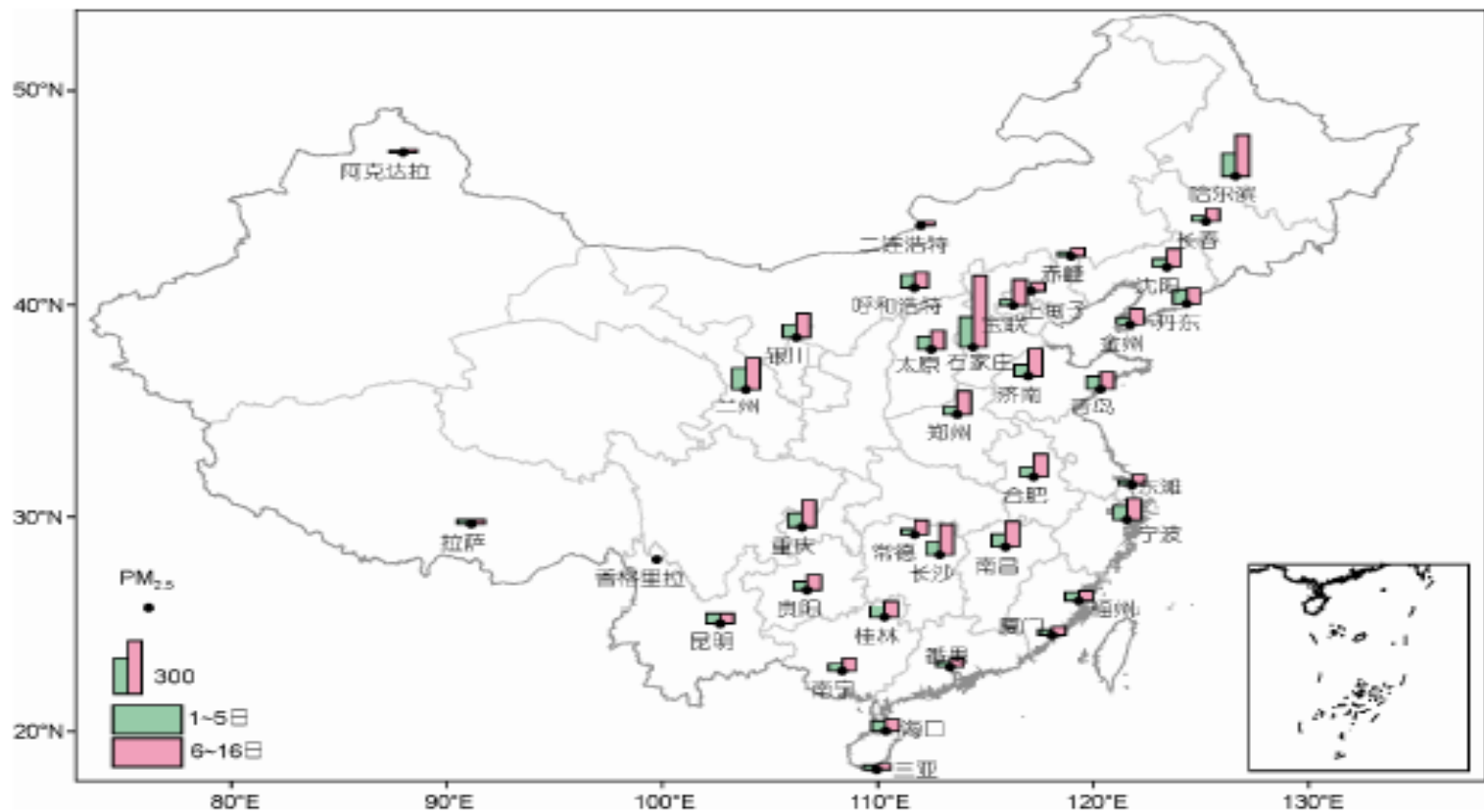


图4 2013年1月1~5日和6~16日中国气象局大气成分观测网-CAWNET获得的PM<sub>2.5</sub>质量浓度( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ )平均值对比

From ZHANG Xiao Ye, et al., Factors contributing to haze in China, Chin Sci Bull (Chin Ver), 2013, 58:1178-1187

# The contribution of components to PM 10 in China

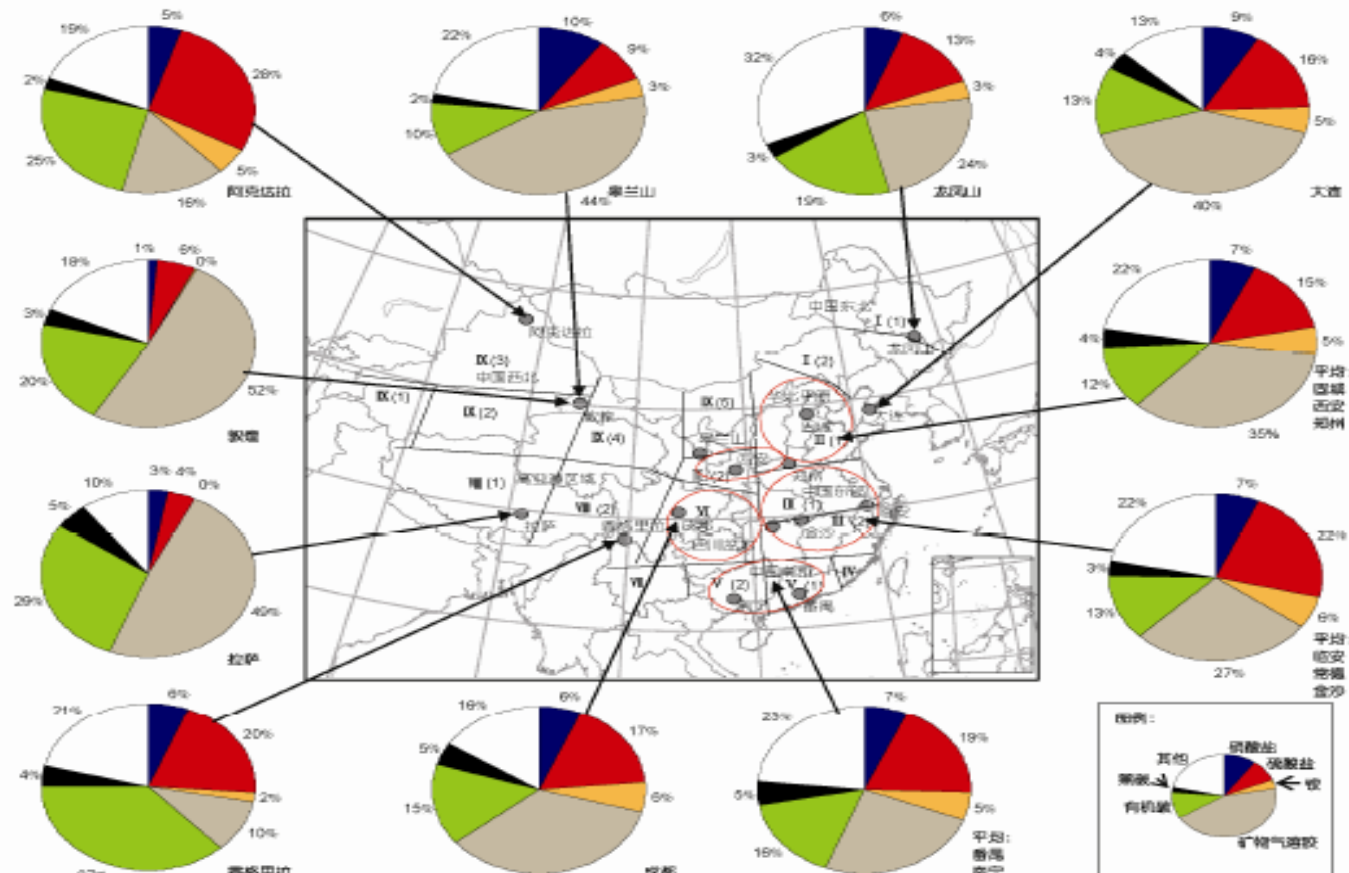


图 5 中国气象局大气成分观测网-CAWNET 在我国不同区域的站点 PM<sub>10</sub> 中各化学组成所占比例  
中间是观测站点分布图及 9 个我国霾的分布区域, 其中红圈划出的是我国 4 个最严重的霾分布区<sup>[23]</sup>

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# Experiment Design

## —Model Introduction

**BCC\_AGCM2.0.1**

- ✚ Dynamical formulation: Eulerian dynamical core
- ✚ Horizontal resolution : T42 (approximately  $2.8^\circ \times 2.8^\circ$ )
- ✚ Vertical direction: terrain-following hybrid coordinate,  
26 levels, with a top located at about 2.9 hPa.
- ✚ Radiation scheme: BCC\_RAD
- ✚ Cloud overlap scheme: McICA-BCC\_RAD
- ✚ Two-moment microphysical cloud scheme



- ◆ Aerosol model **CUACE/Aero** was developed by the Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences of the China Meteorological Administration (**CAMS/CMA**)
- ◆ The processes for the **emission, transport, chemical transformation, cloud interaction, and deposition** of five aerosol species (**sulfate, BC, OC, soil dust, and sea salt**) were taken into account.
- ◆ The aerosol size bin was divided into 12 bins: (in radius:  $\mu\text{m}$ )

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0.005	0.01~	0.02~	0.04~	0.08~	0.16~	0.32~	0.64~	1.28~	2.56~	5.12~	10.24~
0.01	0.02	0.04	0.08	0.16	0.32	0.64	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24	20.48

PM2.5

- ◆ Emissions of BC, OC, SO<sub>2</sub> and sulfate, and dimethyl sulfide (DMS) are from **AeroCom**, Sea salt and dust aerosols are **emitted online**: the sea salt module was developed by Gong et al. (2002), and **the soil dust scheme was from Marticorena and Bergametti (1995)**.

### **BCC\_AGCM2.0.1\_CUACE/Aero online coupled model system:**

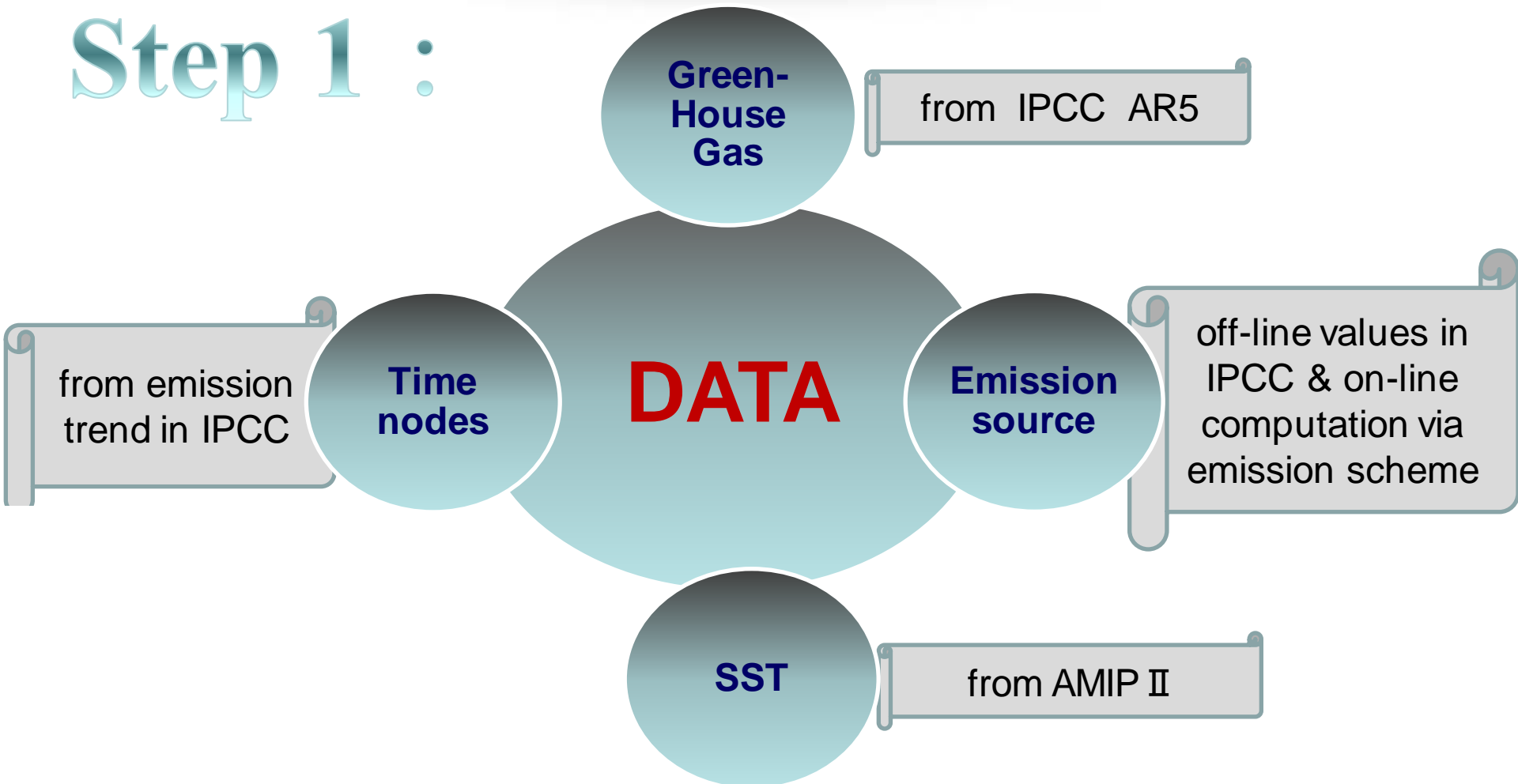
Every development of **BCC\_AGCM2.0.1\_CUACE/Aero** was tested and assessed to keep the simulation of both the climatic state and aerosols reasonable, e.g.

Wu et al. (2008, 2010), Zhang et al. (2012, 2014), Jing & Zhang (2012) ; Wang et al. (2014) ; Zhao et al. (2014)

# Experiment Design

## —Data Introduction

Step 1 :



# Experiment Design

— Time Nodes

In 2014, China and US  
issued a joint  
climate

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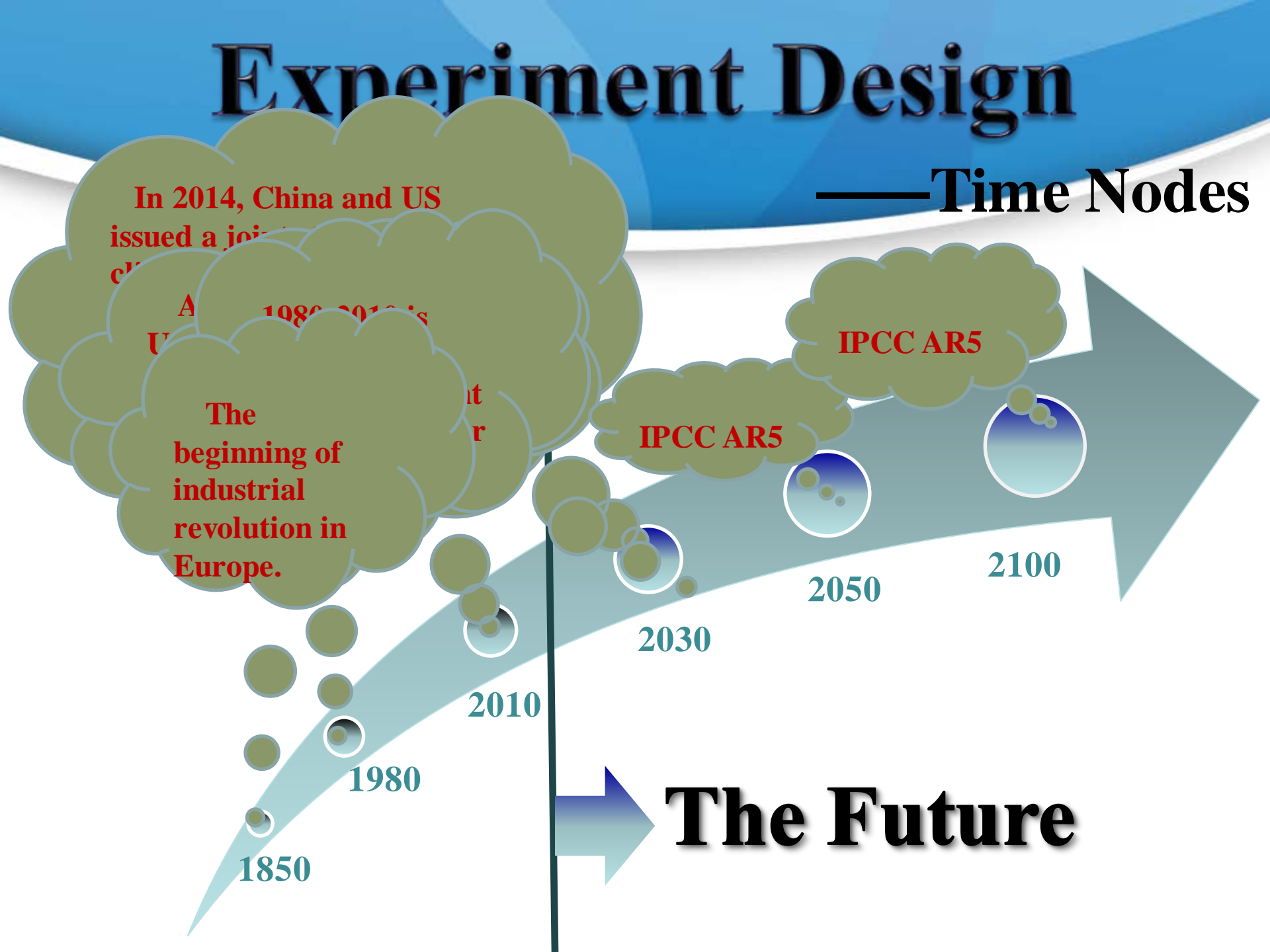
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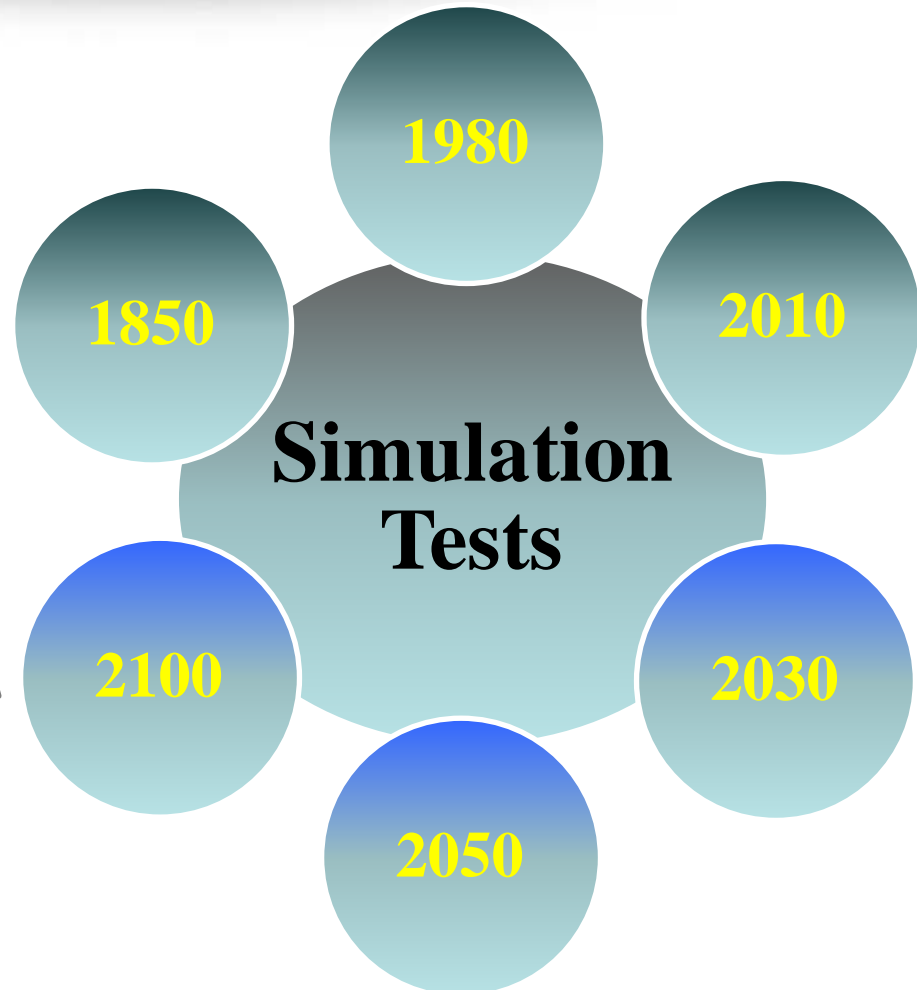
The Future



# Experiment Design

## Step 2 :

We have run the model for 23 years on each time node and taken the annual mean of the last 20 years as the climate state.



# Results & Discussion

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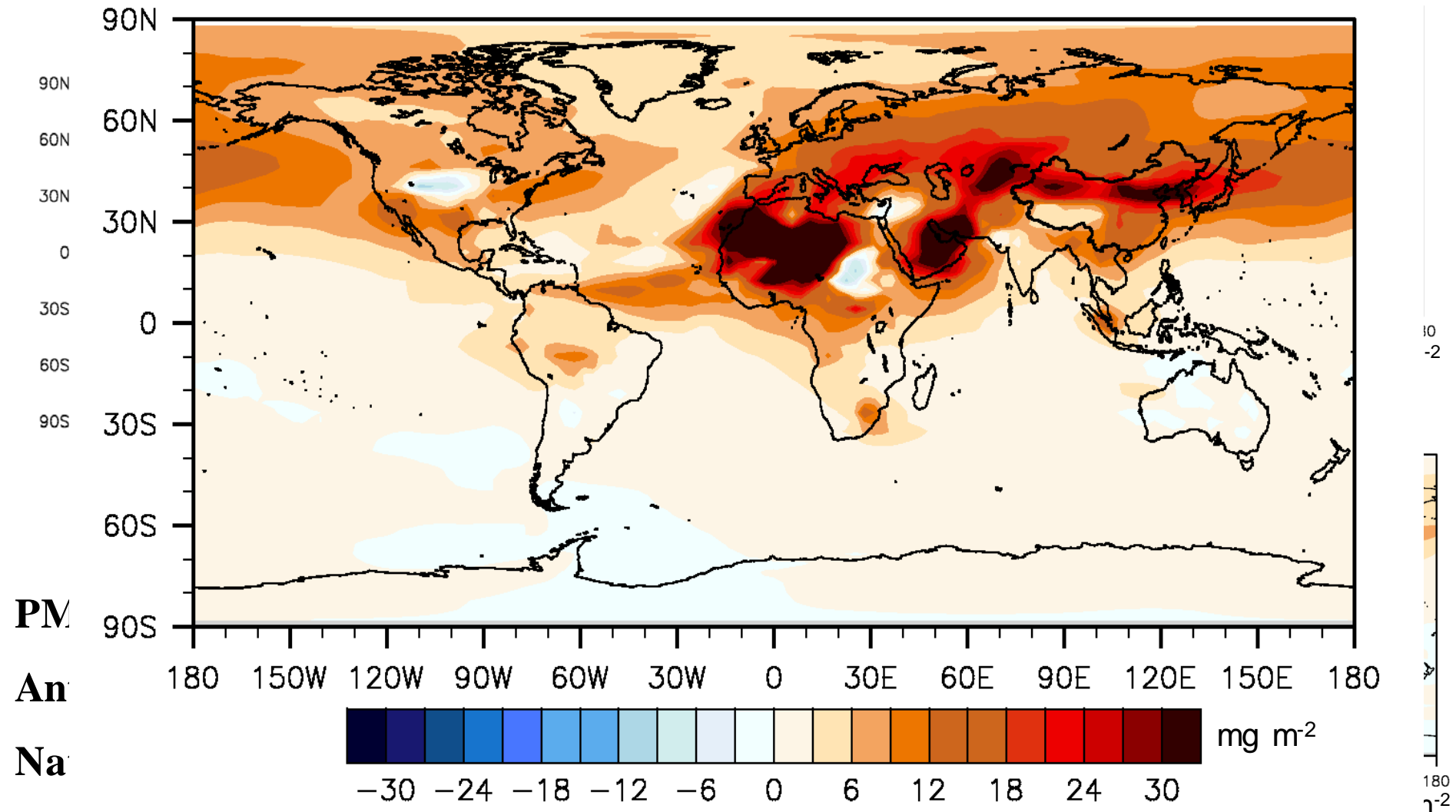
## **(4) Trend of Variation**

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Northern / Central Africa  
Western Europe  
East Asia**



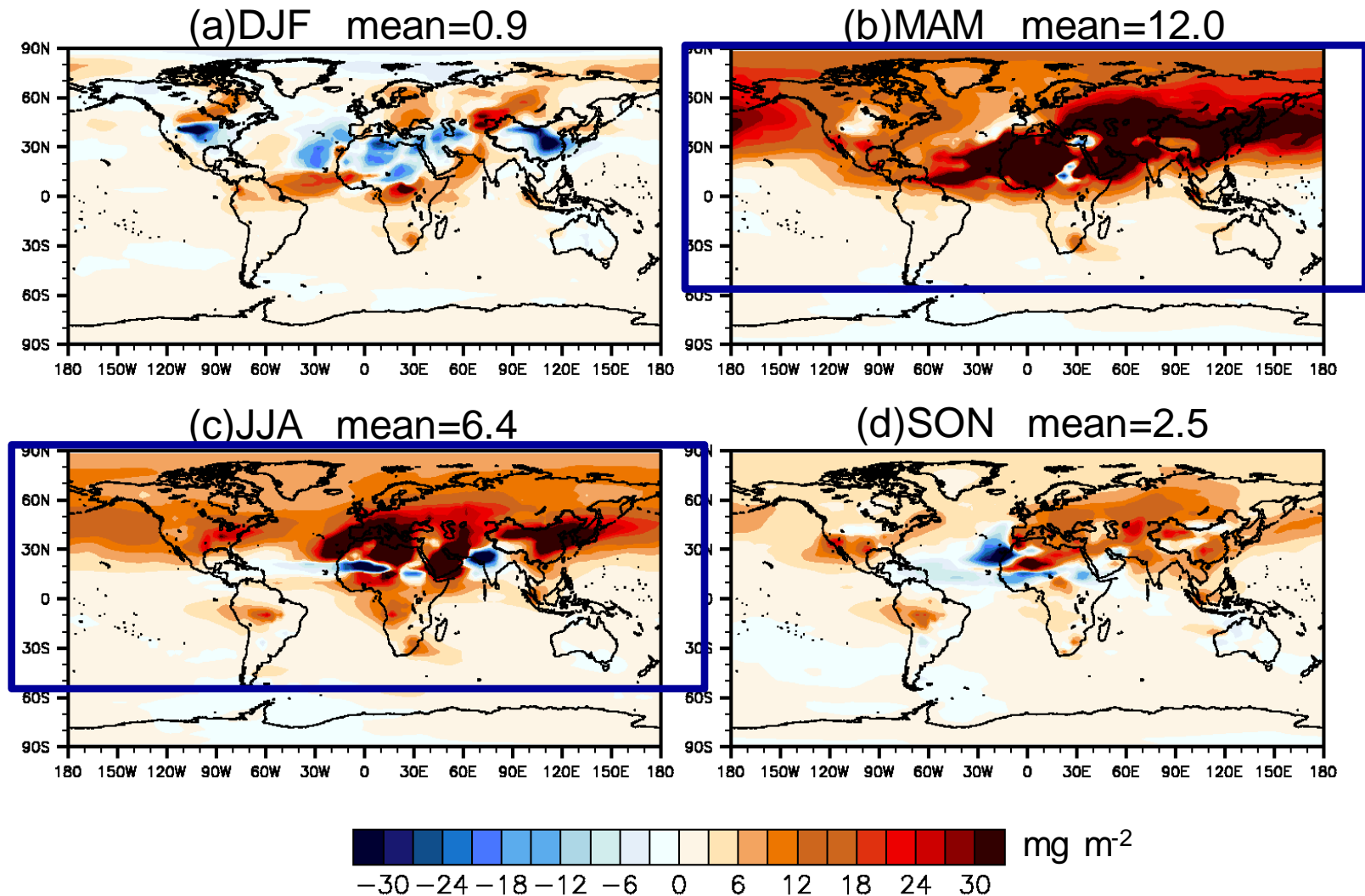
# Annual Mean Variation of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentration over the Globe (1850-1980)

(unit:mg m<sup>-2</sup>)



# Seasonal Mean Variation of Column Concentration of PM<sub>2.5</sub> over the Globe (unit: mg m<sup>-2</sup>)

Fig 2



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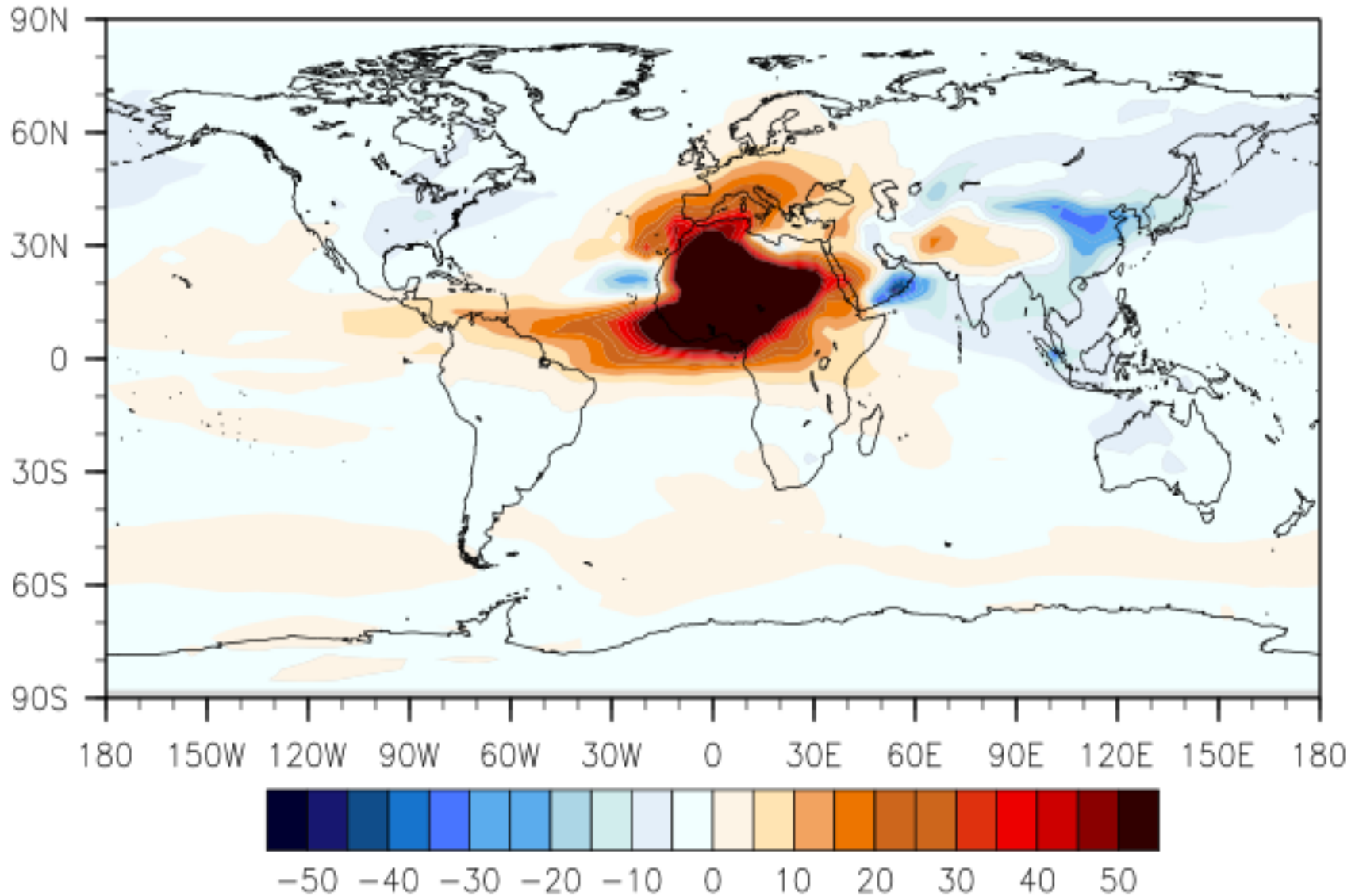
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# Annual Mean Variation of PM2.5 Concentration over the Globe (2010-2050)

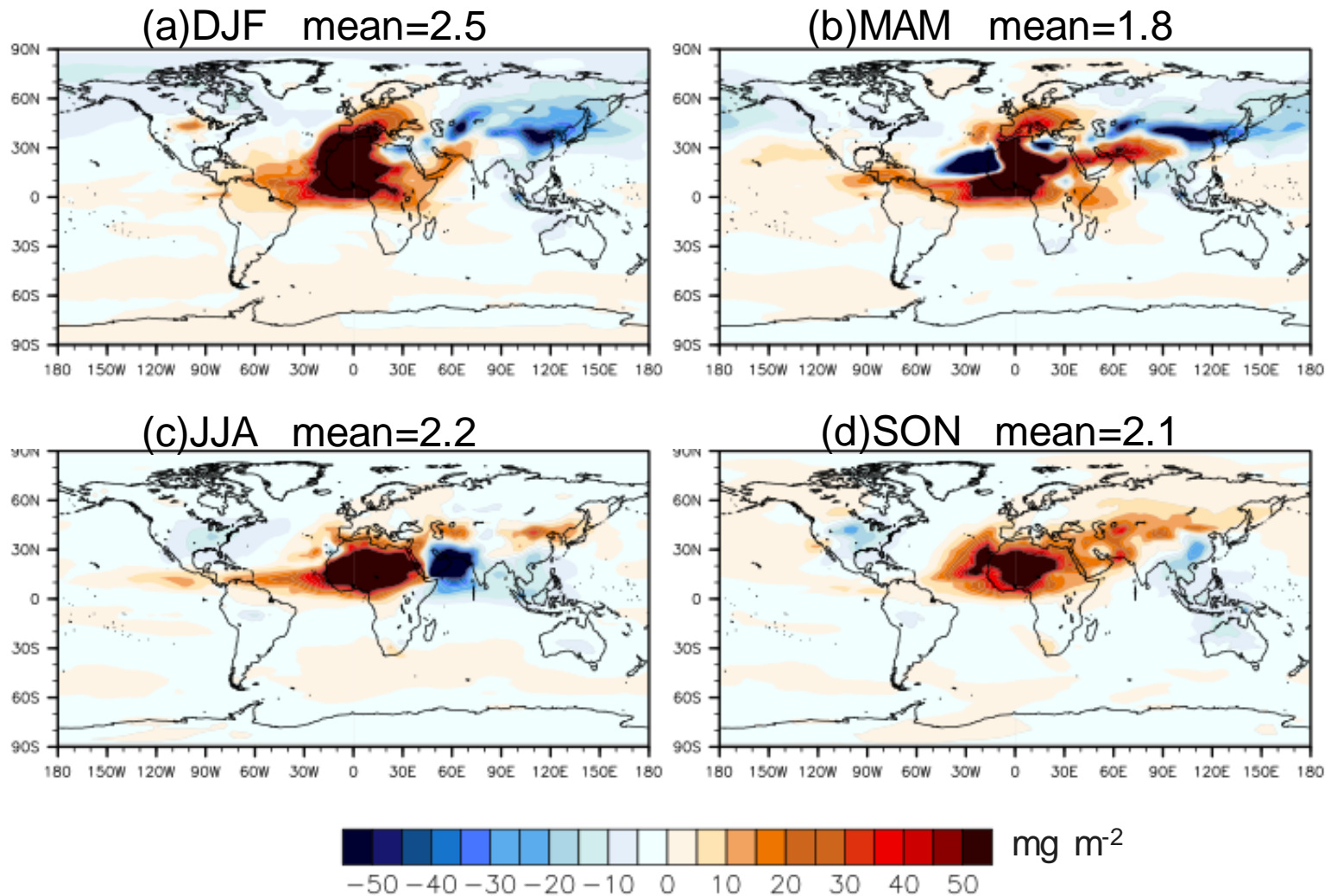
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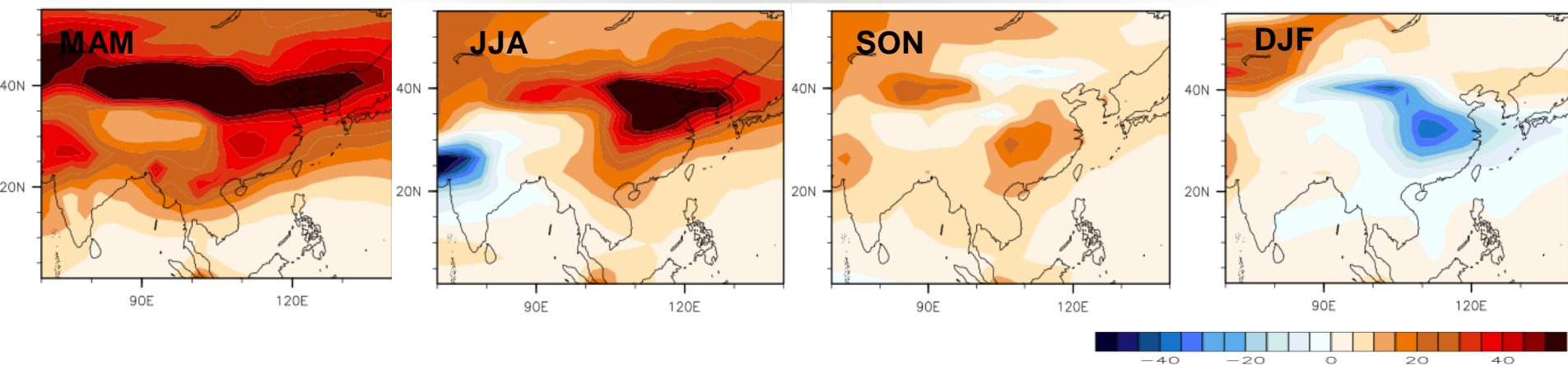
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# 1850-1980

## Seasonal distribution of PM2.5 Variation over China

(unit:mg m<sup>-2</sup>)



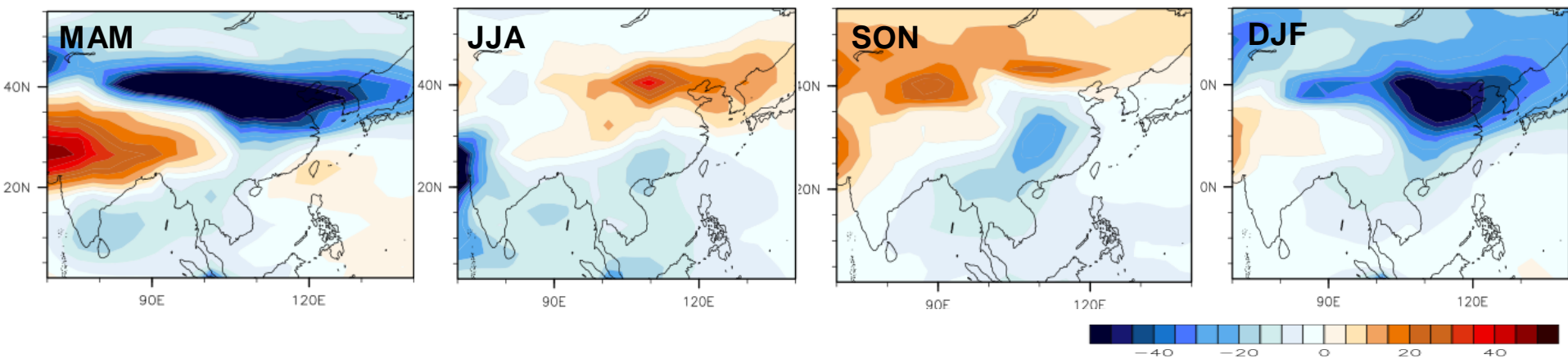
**Table 1 Contribution of Each Aerosol to PM2.5 Concentration variation over China**

1850-1980	MAM	JJA	SON	DJF	ANN
<b>Sulfate (SF)</b>	<b>7.1(26%)</b>	<b>6.4(48%)</b>	<b>5.7(74%)</b>	<b>3.9 (41%)</b>	<b>5.8(48%)</b>
<b>Black Carbon(BC)</b>	<b>0.3( 1%)</b>	<b>0.3( 2%)</b>	<b>0.3( 3%)</b>	<b>0.2 ( 2%)</b>	<b>0.3 ( 2%)</b>
<b>Organic Carbon(OC)</b>	<b>1.0( 4%)</b>	<b>0.5 ( 4%)</b>	<b>0.8(10%)</b>	<b>0.9( 9%)</b>	<b>0.8 ( 6%)</b>
<b>Sea Salt (SS)</b>	<b>0.2( 1%)</b>	<b>0.0 ( 0%)</b>	<b>0.1( 1%)</b>	<b>0.0 ( 0%)</b>	<b>0.1 ( 1%)</b>
<b>Soil Dust(SD)</b>	<b>18.5(68%)</b>	<b>6.3(46%)</b>	<b>0.9 (12%)</b>	<b>-4.7(48%)</b>	<b>5.2 (43%)</b>
<b>Anthro PM2.5</b>	<b>8.4 (31%)</b>	<b>7.2 (54%)</b>	<b>6.7(87%)</b>	<b>5.1(52%)</b>	<b>6.8 (56%)</b>
<b>Natural PM2.5</b>	<b>18.7(69%)</b>	<b>6.2 (46%)</b>	<b>1.0 (13%)</b>	<b>-4.8(48%)</b>	<b>5.3 (44%)</b>

# 2010-2050 (RCP4.5)

## Seasonal distribution of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Variation over China

(unit:mg m<sup>-2</sup>)



**Table 2 Contribution of Each Aerosol to PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentration variation over China**

2010-2050(RCP4.5)	MAM	JJA	SON	DJF	ANN
<b>Sulfate (SF)</b>	<b>-4.7 (44%)</b>	<b>-4.8 (65%)</b>	<b>-4.3 (42%)</b>	<b>-2.9 (21%)</b>	<b>-4.2 (57%)</b>
<b>Black Carbon(BC)</b>	<b>-0.2 ( 2%)</b>	<b>-0.2 ( 3%)</b>	<b>-0.2 ( 2%)</b>	<b>-0.2 ( 1%)</b>	<b>-0.2 ( 3%)</b>
<b>Organic Carbon(OC)</b>	<b>-1.3 (12%)</b>	<b>-0.7 ( 9%)</b>	<b>-0.8 ( 8%)</b>	<b>-0.8 ( 6%)</b>	<b>-0.9 (12%)</b>
<b>Sea Salt (SS)</b>	<b>-0.1 ( 1%)</b>	<b>-1.3 (18%)</b>	<b>-0.5 ( 5%)</b>	<b>-0.1 ( 1%)</b>	<b>-0.5 ( 7%)</b>
<b>Soil Dust(SD)</b>	<b>-4.4 (41%)</b>	<b>2.9 (39%)</b>	<b>5.5 (53%)</b>	<b>-10.2 (72%)</b>	<b>-1.6 (22%)</b>
<b>Anthro_PM2.5</b>	<b>-6.3 (58%)</b>	<b>-5.7 (77%)</b>	<b>-5.3 (51%)</b>	<b>-3.8 (27%)</b>	<b>-5.2 (70%)</b>
<b>Natural_PM2.5</b>	<b>-4.5 (42%)</b>	<b>1.7 (23%)</b>	<b>5.0 (49%)</b>	<b>-10.3 (73%)</b>	<b>-2.2 (30%)</b>

# The Contributions of 5 Aerosol Species over China in 2010 to surface PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration

(unit :  $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ ; contribution percentage of each components to PM<sub>2.5</sub> IN brackets)

AEROSOL	MAM	JJA	SON	DJF	ANN
Sulfate (SF)	2.74 (29%)	2.80 (45%)	2.22 (40%)	1.96 (35%)	2.43 (36%)
Black Carbon (BC)	0.45 (5%)	0.42 (7%)	0.41 (7%)	0.41 (7%)	0.42 (6%)
Organic Carbon (OC)	0.26 (3%)	0.25 (4%)	0.21 (4%)	0.18 (3%)	0.23 (3%)
Soil Dust (SD)	5.82 (60%)	2.40 (39%)	2.57 (45%)	2.93 (52%)	3.43 (52%)
Sea Salt (SS)	0.14 (2%)	0.29 (5%)	0.22 (4%)	0.14 (3%)	0.20 (3%)

Anthropogenic Aerosols: 45%  
Natural Aerosols: 55%

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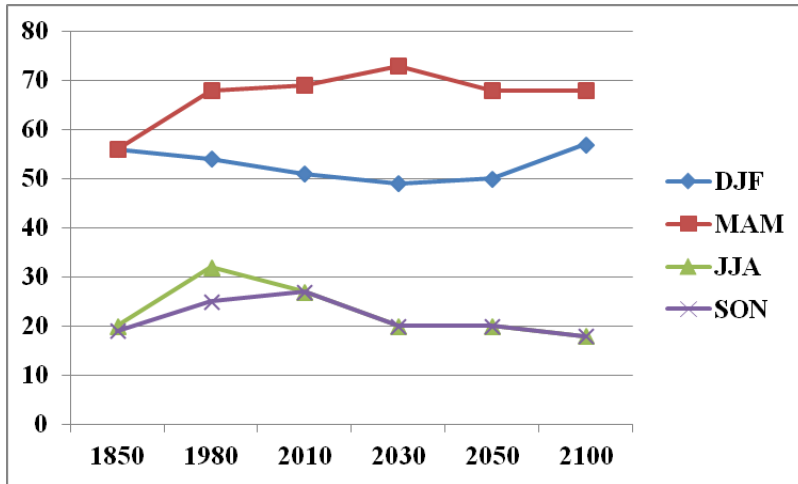
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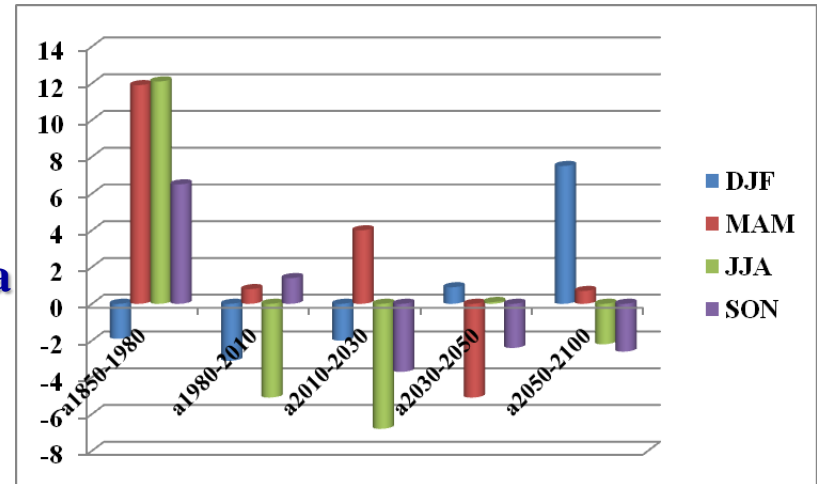
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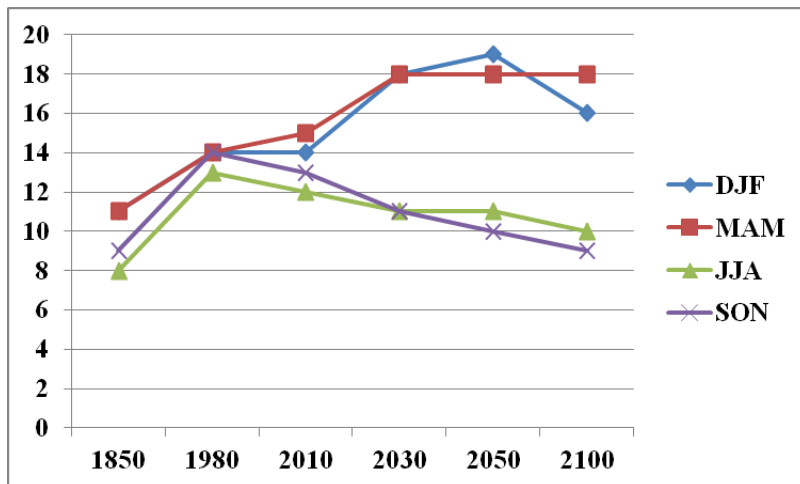


North  
America

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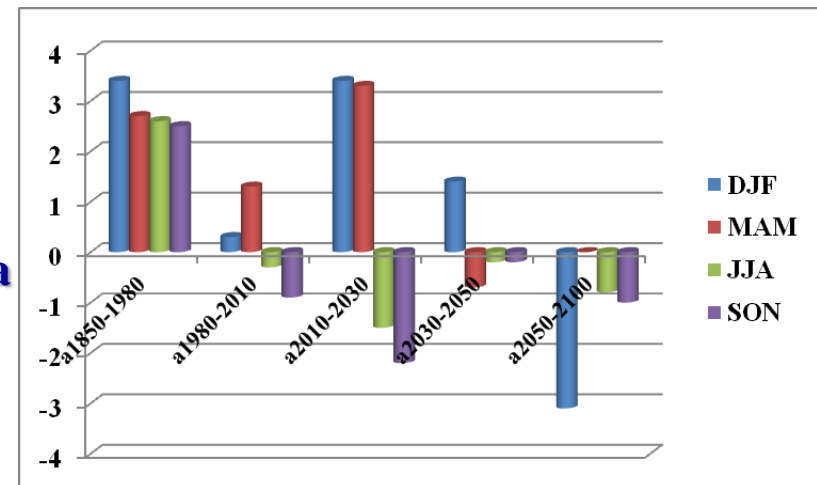


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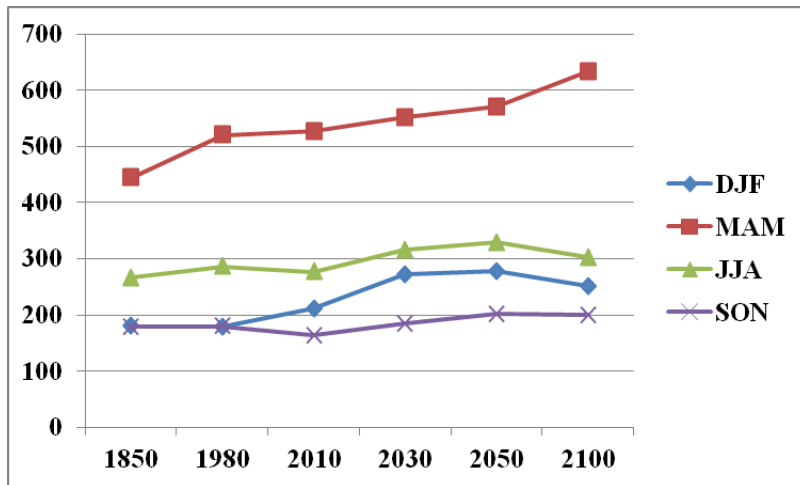
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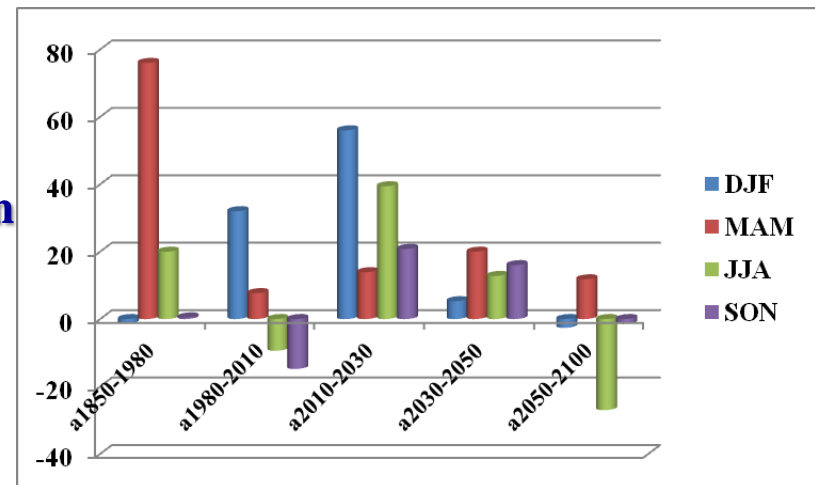
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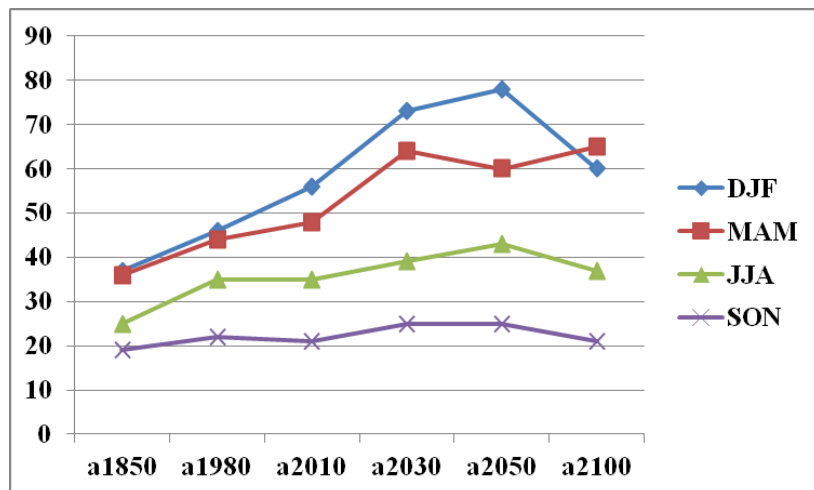


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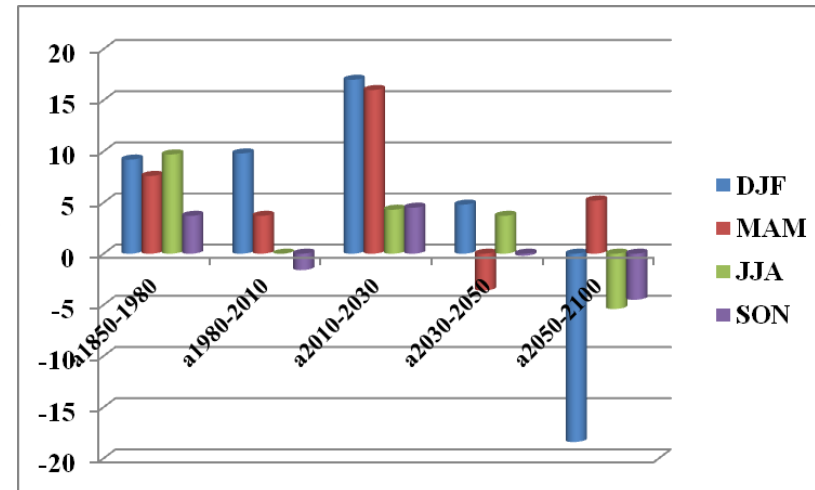


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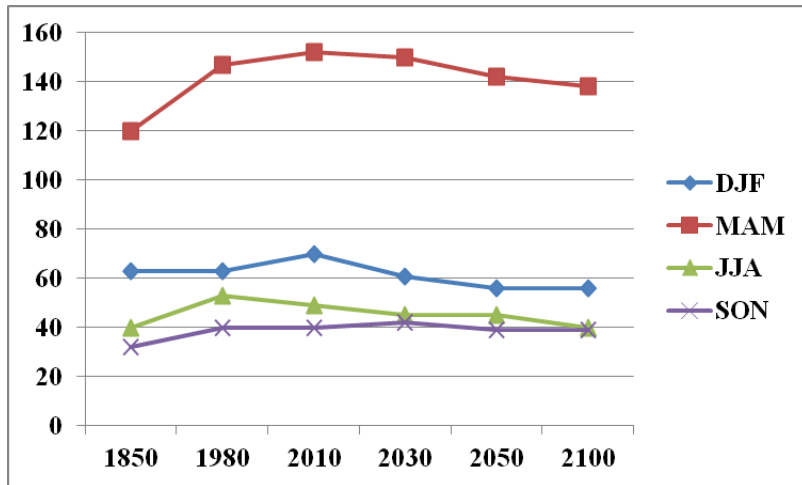
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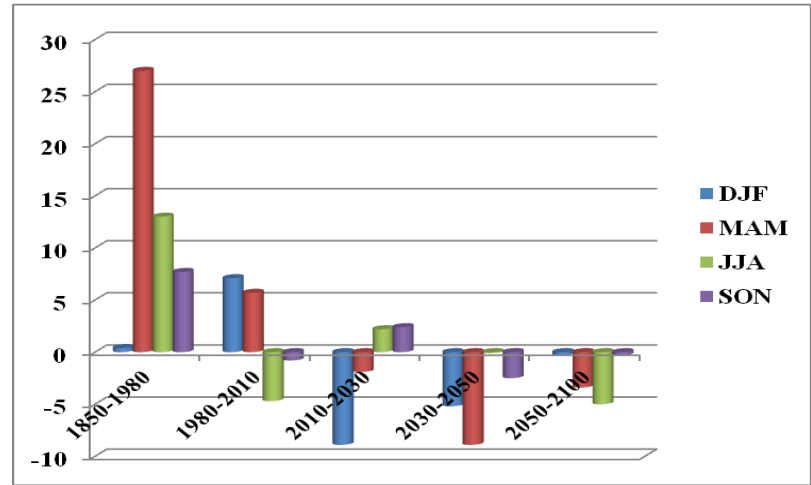
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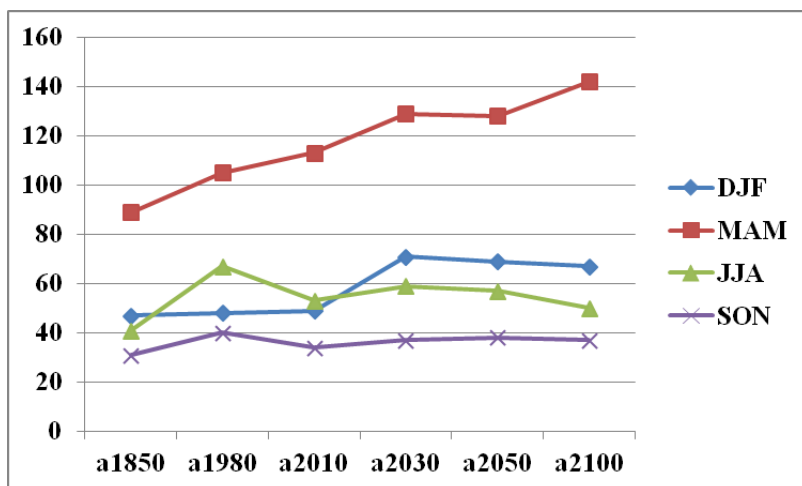


China

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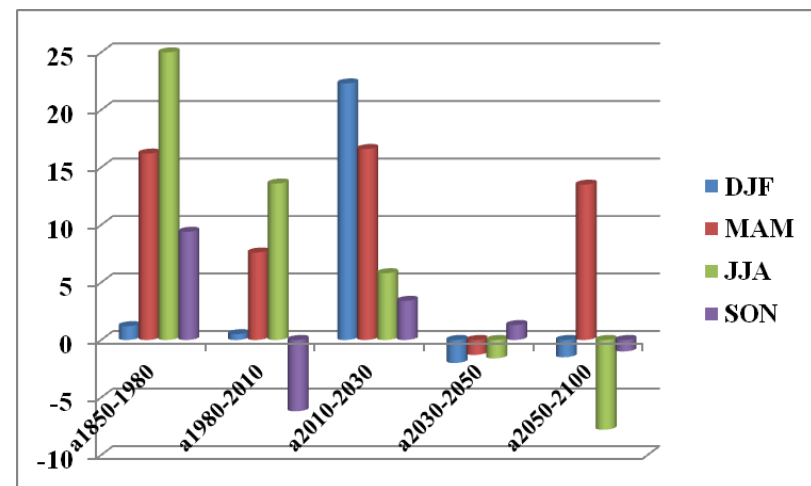


## Trend of Concentration



Western Europe

## Concentration Variation



# Summary

## PM2.5:

- 1850-1980 the concentration of PM2.5 was increased obviously almost all over the world, especially in Arabian Peninsula, north of China and the Sahara Desert .
- 2010-2050 the concentration of PM2.5 will be increased over the Sahara Desert, while be decreased in Asia, America and Europe.

## Contribution to the difference of PM2.5 (over China) :

- 1850-1980, the contribution of anthropogenic aerosols ( 56% ) to PM2.5 variation is a little bit more than natural aerosols( 44% ).
- 2010-2050, anthropogenic aerosols ( 70% ) **are much** more than natural aerosols( 30% ) in the variation of PM2.5.
- Natural aerosols occupy more than half (55%) than anthropogenic aerosols (45%) in PM2.5 surface concentration for annual mean over China (under nitrate aerosol is not considered in this work).

*The End*

*Thanks For Your Attention !*

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