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1. OBSERVATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Two Dobson Spectrophotometers have been setup in Kunming, Yunnan province and in Xianghe, Beijing, by the Institute of Atmospheric Physics (IAP), the Chinese Academy of Sciences since 1938 and 1958 respectively. Four MK II Brewer Spectrophotometers have been set up by Chinese Meteorological Administration (CMA) in Waliguan, Lin'an, Longfengshan WMO GAW station, and Chinese Zhongshan South Pole station in 1990s. The Brewer was used in Taiwan and Hongkang to observe ozone and UVB as part of the current total ozone and UVB observation net in China. Their data are reported to WOUDC routinely. Another Brewer Spectrophotometer has been set up in Lhasa, Tibet in 2008. Total ozone observation from space have been implemented since May 2008 via FY-3 satellite. The orbit altitude of FY-3A is 831 km, inclination is 98.81°, quasi-repeat time is 5 days, local time of the descending node is 10:30. The FY-3 satellite is a second-generation Chinese polar-orbit meteorological satellite. The Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet Sounder (SBUS), one of the main payloads on the FY-3 satellite, is the first Chinese ozone-monitoring instrument on a meteorological satellite. The retrieval FY-3 data are comparable with NOAA dataⁱ.

1.1 Column measurements of ozone and other gases/variables relevant to ozone loss.

Station	Institution	Instruments	Location	Start of observations
Xianghe	Institute of Atmospheric Physics,	Dobson	116°E, 39°N	1979
	Chinese Academy of Science			
Kunming	Institute of Atmospheric Physics,	Dobson	102°E, 25°N	1980
	Chinese Academy of Science			
MT. Waliguan	China Meteorological	Brower#54	100°E, 36°N	1991-
	Administration	MKII		
Longfengshan	China Meteorological	Brower#76	127°E, 44°N	1993 -
	Administration	MKII		
Lin'an	China Meteorological	Brower#77	119°E, 30°N	1993-
	Administration	MKII		
Zhongshan	China Meteorological	Brewer#74	South Pole	1993-
	Administration	MKIV		
Hongkong		Brewer#115	114°E, 22°N	
Taiwan		Brewer	121°E, 24°N	
Lhasa	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer#177	91°E, 23°N	1998; 2008-

1.2 Profile measurements of ozone and other gases/variables relevant to ozone loss There are two stations for ozone profile observation which are in constructing by CMA. One is in Lhasa, another is in Beijing. Ozone sondes have been routinely released in Shanghai by Shanghai Meteorological Bureau since 2007.

Since 2008, the FY-3 also provides vertical ozone profiles which is deduced from measurements of SBUS on the satelliteⁱⁱ

1.3 UV measurements

Station	Institution	Instruments	Location	Start of observations
MT. Waliguan	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer/UVB-1	100°E, 36°N	1991
Longfengshan	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer	127°E, 44°N	2003
Lin'an	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer	119°E, 30°N	2003
Zhongshan	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer	South Pole	1993
Hongkong		Brewer	114°E, 22°N	
Taiwan			121°E, 24°N	
Lhasa	China Meteorological Administration	Brewer	91°E, 29°N	1998; 2007-
Shangdianzi	China Meteorological Administration /Institute of Urban Meteorology, CMA, Beijing	KIPP&ZONEN	117°E, 40°N	
Dangxiong	Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences	UVB-1	30.2°N,91.1°E	2009.10- 2011.9

1.3.1 Broadband measurements

1.3.2 Narrowband filter instruments

1.3.3 Spectroradiometers

1.4 Calibration activities

The Brewers are calibrated by WMO/GAW Brewer Spectrophotometer Ozone Calibration Centre about every two year. A calibration lab in CMA was setup in 2009ⁱⁱⁱ.

2. RESULTS FROM OBSERVATIONS AND ANALYSIS

The pulished and unpublished results all shows the total ozone concentration was changing during last 20 years.

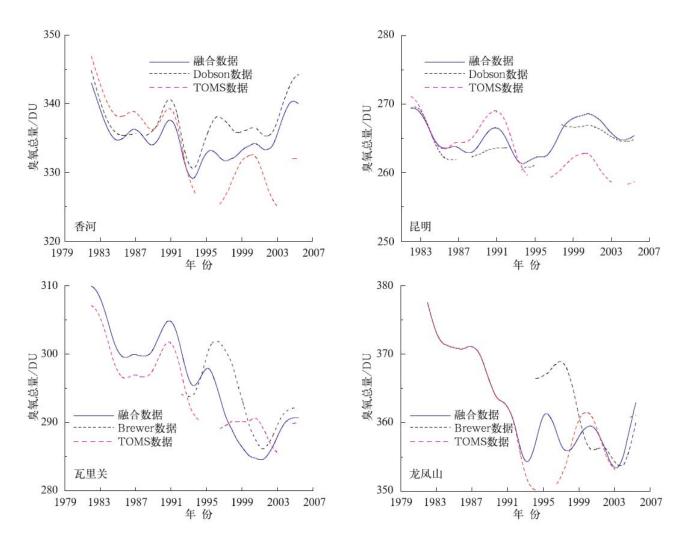


Fig. 1 The total ozone trends since 1978 from 3 kinds data sets: ground based, TOMS and integrated of ground based and TOMS observation

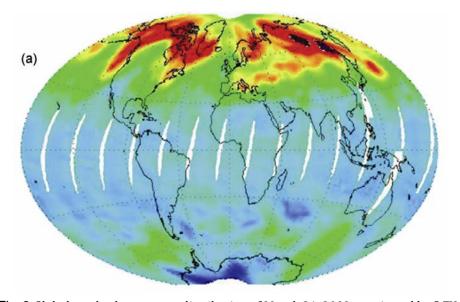


Fig. 2 Global total column ozone distribution of March 21, 2009, monitored by S FY-3A/TOU

3. THEORY, MODELLING, AND OTHER RESEARCH

School of Earth and Space Science, University of Science and Technology of China and other research organizations, have done some research on the vertical distributions and variation characters of ozone over the Iranian Plateau and Tibetan Plateau by using the FY-3, TOMS, HALOE and SAGE II data.^{iv}

4. DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

4.1 Data reporting

The data from the current ozone and UVB observation net in China are reported to WOUDC routinely.

4.2 Information to the public

- The National Meteorological Service has included UV-Index in the public weather forecasts and reports.
- Relevant information can be seen on the China Meteorological Data Sharing Service System, http://cdc.cma.gov.cn/.

4.3 Relevant scientific papers

- Zheng Xiangdong. Investigation on effect of cloud on the precision of total ozone from satellite measurements over China regions. Chinese Journal of Atmospheric Sciences. 2008, 32(6): 1431-1444
- Zheng Xiangdong and Wei Xiaoli. Long-term Total ozone comparisons between space-based and ground-based observations at 4 sites in China. Journal of Applied Meteorological Science. 2010, 21(1): 1-10
- Wang W H, Zhang X Y, An X Q, et al. Analysis for retrieval and validation results of FY-3 Total Ozone Unit(TOU). Chinese Sci Bull, 2010, 55, doi:10.1007/s11434-010-3240-2
- Huang F X, Liu N Q, Zhao M X, et al. Vertical ozone profiles deduced from measurements of SBUS on FY-3 satellite. Chinese Sci Bull, 2009, 54, doi: 10.1007/s11434-009-0251-y

5. PROJECTS AND COLLABORATION

Table 1 List of recent projects supported by the National Science Foundation of China (NSFC) and other funds

No.	Project	Institution	Period of
			the project
40775024/D0503	Quantitative Evaluation on accuracy of	National Satellite	2008.1 –
	retrieval method for ozone vertical profiles	Meteorological Center	2010.12
	based on the satellite measurement		
GYHY(QX)200706038	Travelling stardards of the calibration	Chinese Academy of	2008-2010
	system of Brewer ozone	Meteorological	
	spectrophotometers in CMA	Sciences	

UVB spectral irradiance measurements	Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences	2004-2006

6. FUTURE PLANS

The current monitoring networks are to be maintained in operation. However, there is no special plan or project for building new capacities to conduct ozone or UV radiation, some projects, such as projects focusing on climate change, may include instruments installation and research related to ozone and UV.

7. NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Much work needs to be carried out to understand many aspects of the ozone evolution and change, including impact of HCFCs, ozone-climate relationships, UV relationships, etc.. The international cooperation and assists for improvement the research level and quality are appreciated.

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ⁱⁱ Huang F X, Liu N Q, Zhao M X, et al. Vertical ozone profiles deduced from measurements of SBUS on FY-3 satellite. Chinese Sci Bull, 2009, 54, doi: 10.1007/s11434-009-0251-y

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iv ZHOU Renjun, CHEN Yuejuan. Ozone Variations over the Tibetan and Iranian Plateaus and Their Relationship with the South Asia High. Journal of University of Science and Technology of China, 35(6): 899-908, 2005.