

Evaluation of Operational SDS Forecasting System for East Asia: Model Inter-comparison

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(RSMC-ASDF BEIJING)
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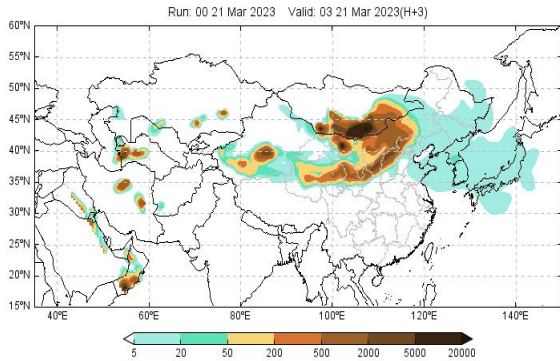
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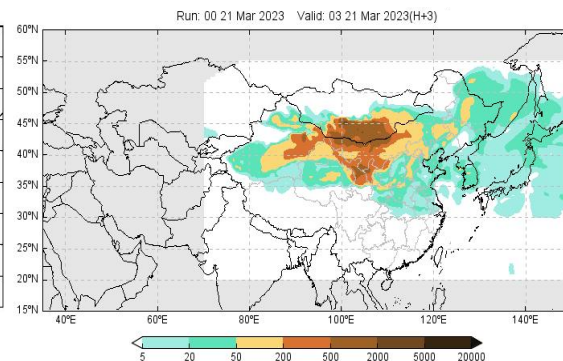
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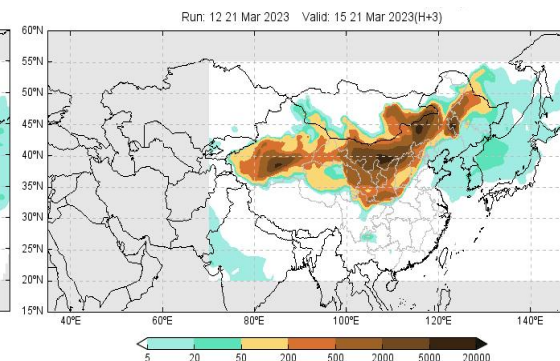
CMA
(FST: 0~168h / 3-hour step)



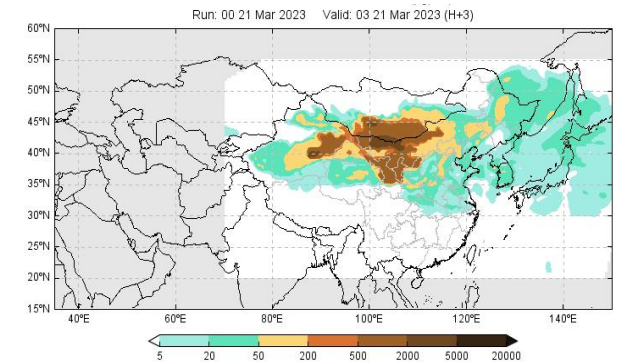
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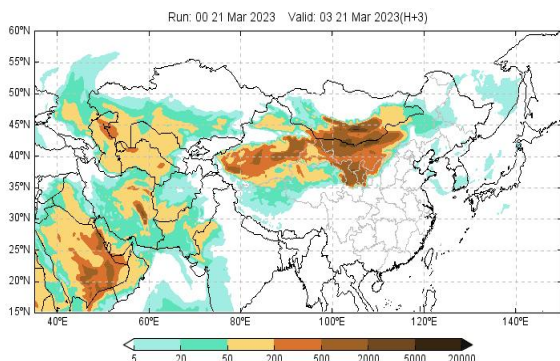
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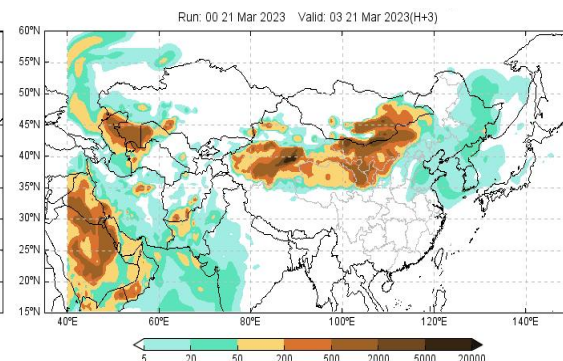
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(Forecast Time: 0~72h / 3-hour step)



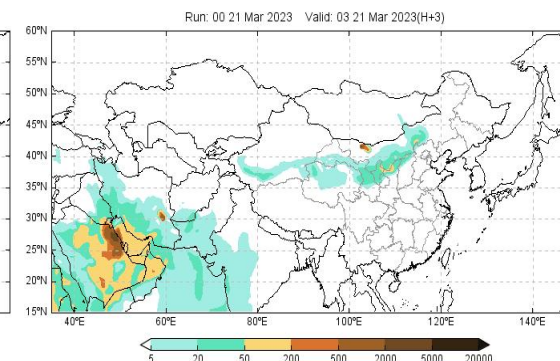
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EC
(FST: 0~72h / 3-hour step)



NCEP
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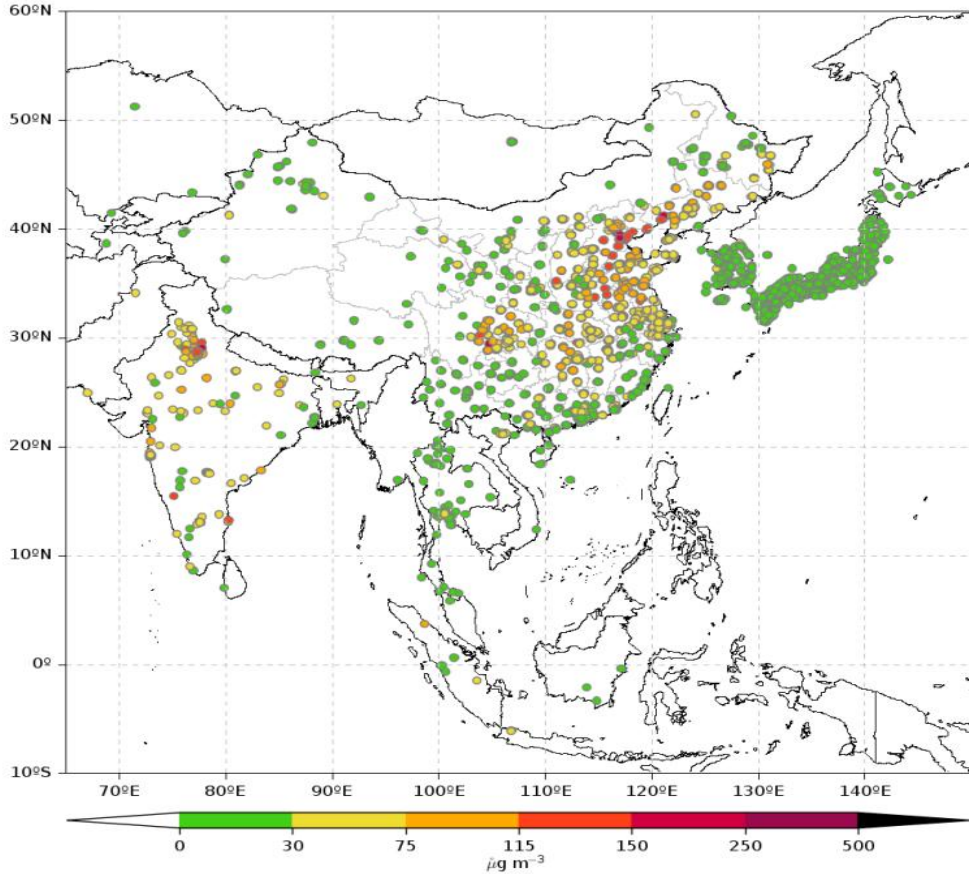


Can JMA and EC extend the forecast time of sharing data to 5 days?

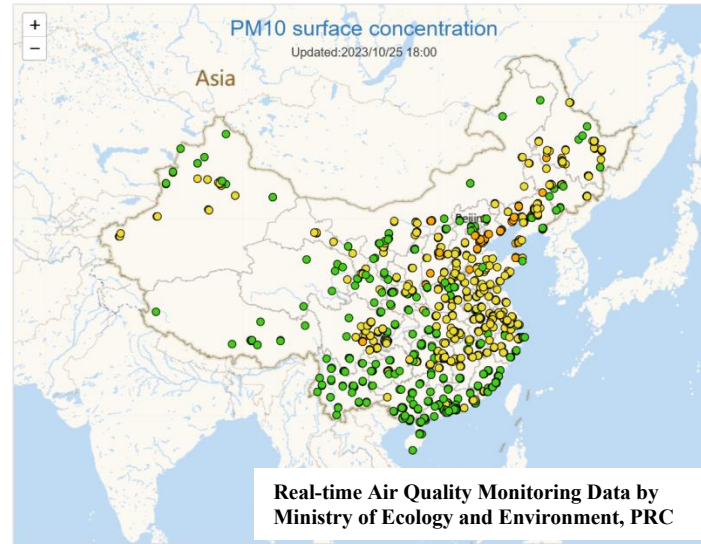
There are '6+1' numerical SDS forecasting models have been operational running in the RSMC-ASDF Beijing. Currently, the forecasting time of numerical products is between 3 and 7 days.

Observation Data

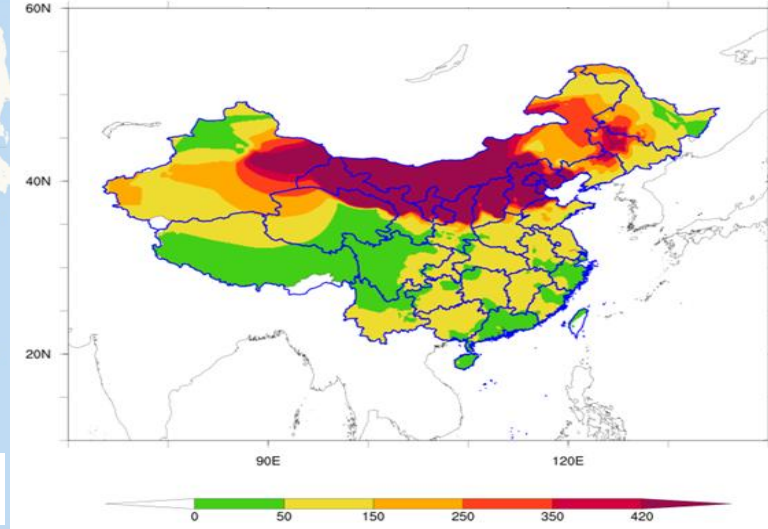
Surface Concentrations of PM_{2.5}



Surface Concentrations of PM₁₀



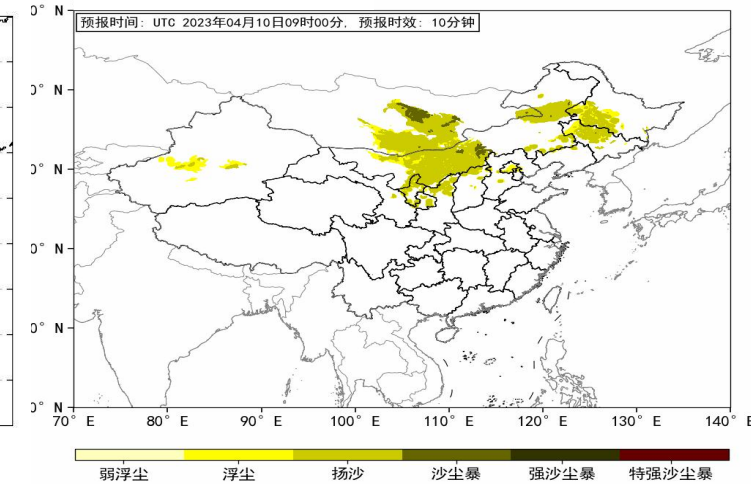
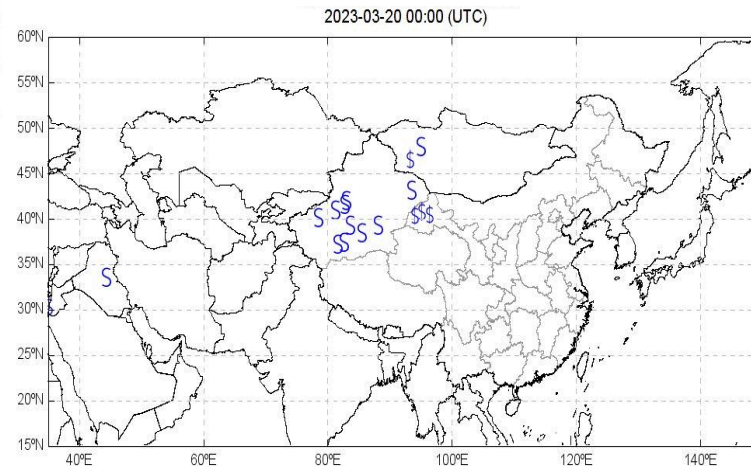
FY-4 PM10 inversion



Observed Dust Weather Phenomena

Observation objects:

- ◆ PM₁₀ surface concentration
- ◆ Dust weather phenomena



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Evaluation Indicators

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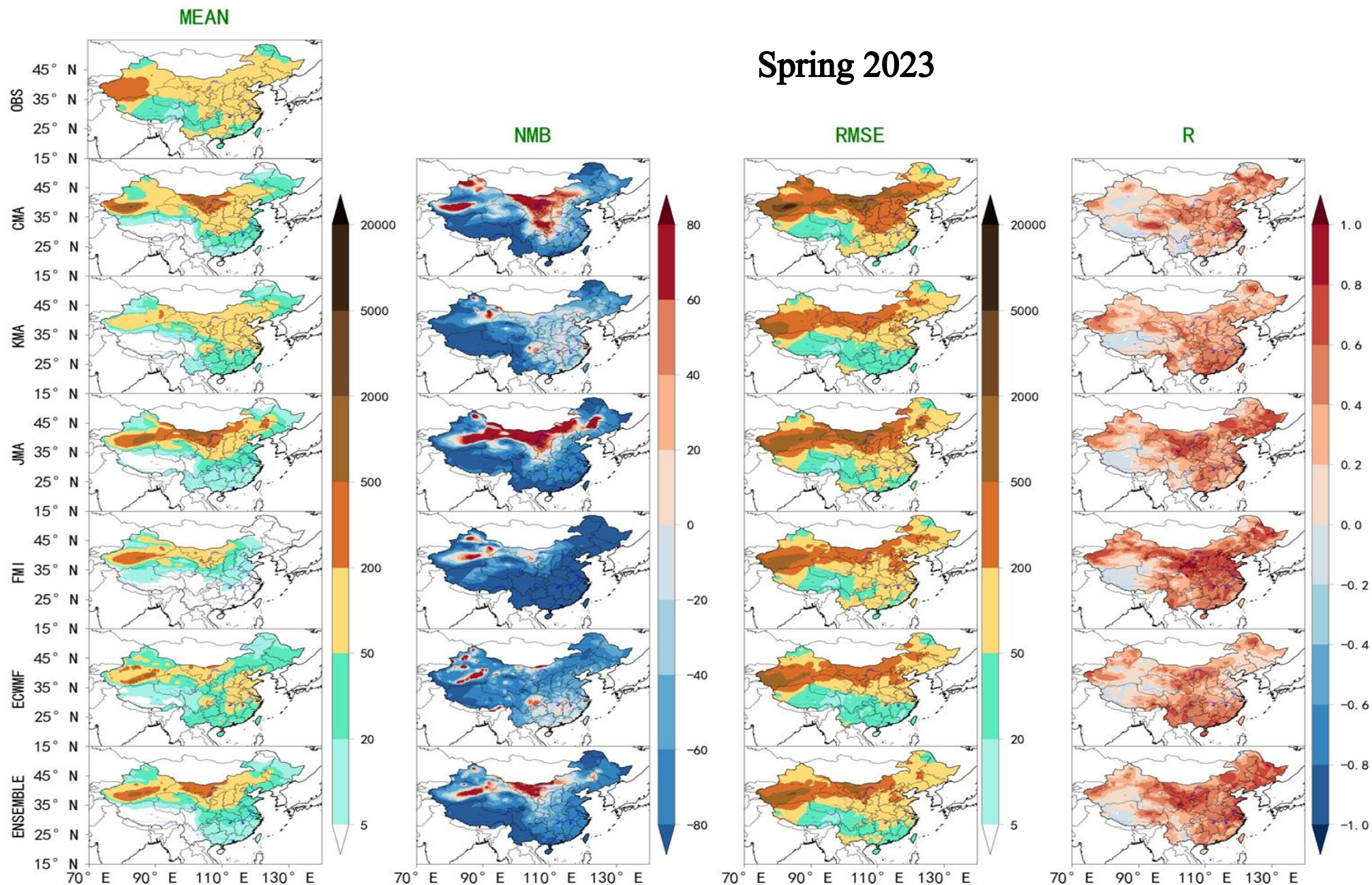
$$NMB = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (F_i - Obs_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n Obs_i} \times 100\%$$

2. Root Mean Square Error

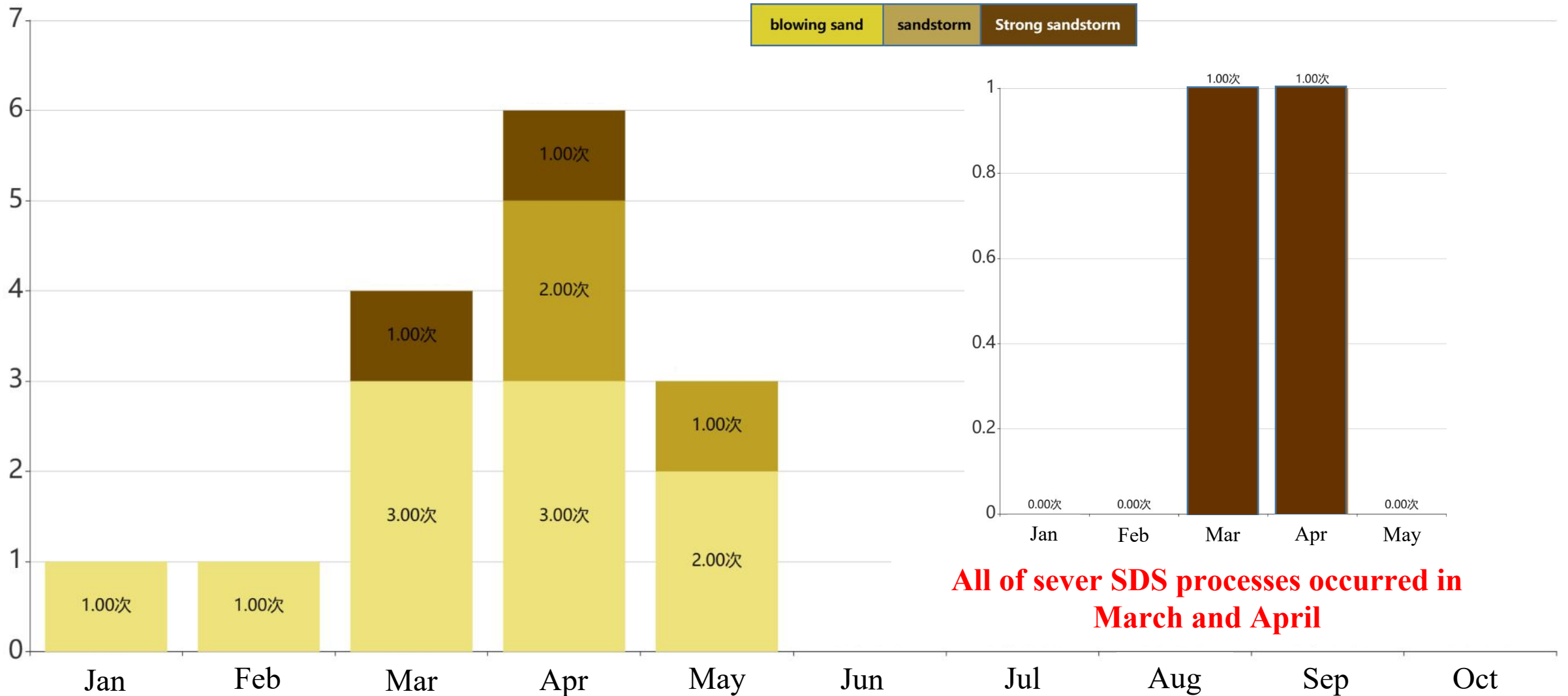
$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (F_i - Obs_i)^2}$$

3. Correlation coefficient

$$R = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (F_i - \bar{F})(Obs_i - \bar{Obs})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (F_i - \bar{F})^2 (Obs_i - \bar{Obs})^2}}$$

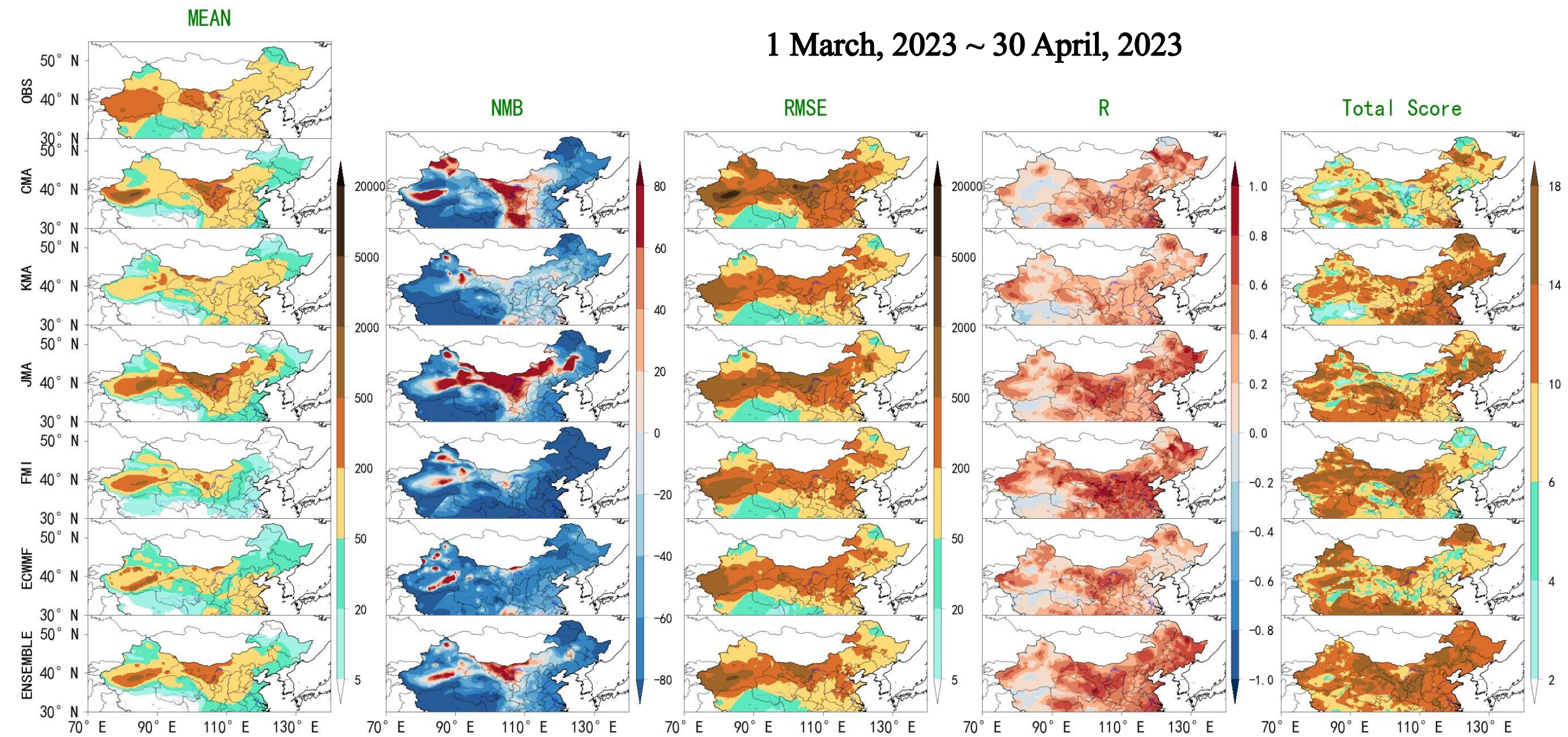


Monthly frequency of sand and dust processes of China in 2023



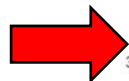
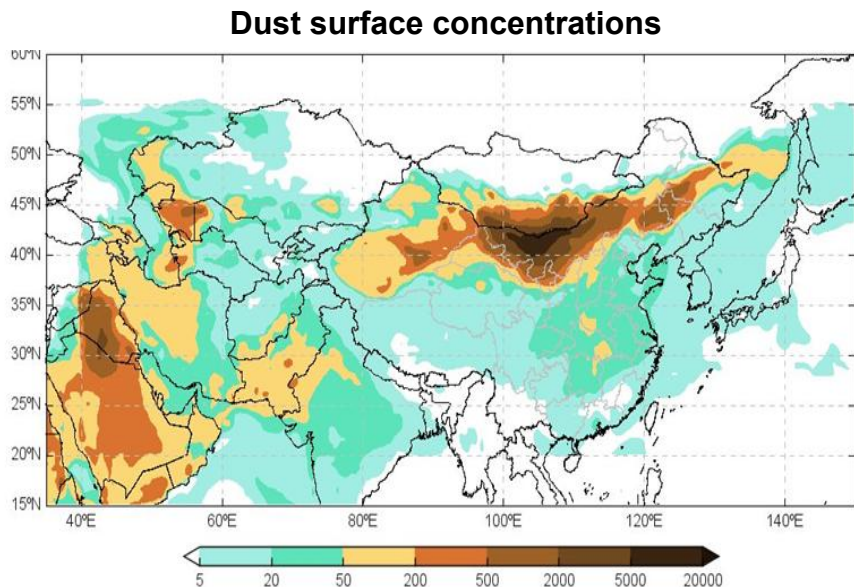
Comparisons with surface PM concentration

1 March, 2023 ~ 30 April, 2023

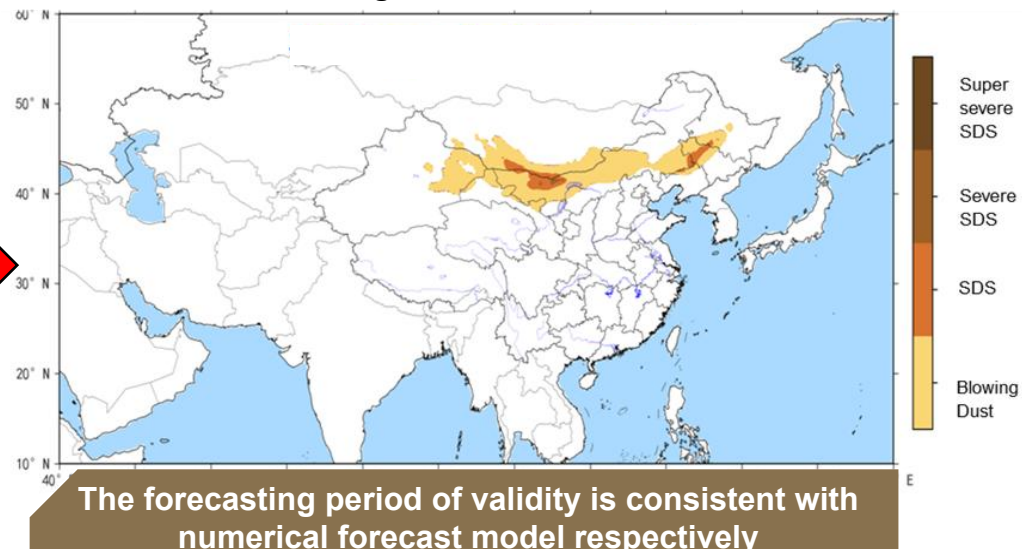


SDS graded forecast based on numerical model

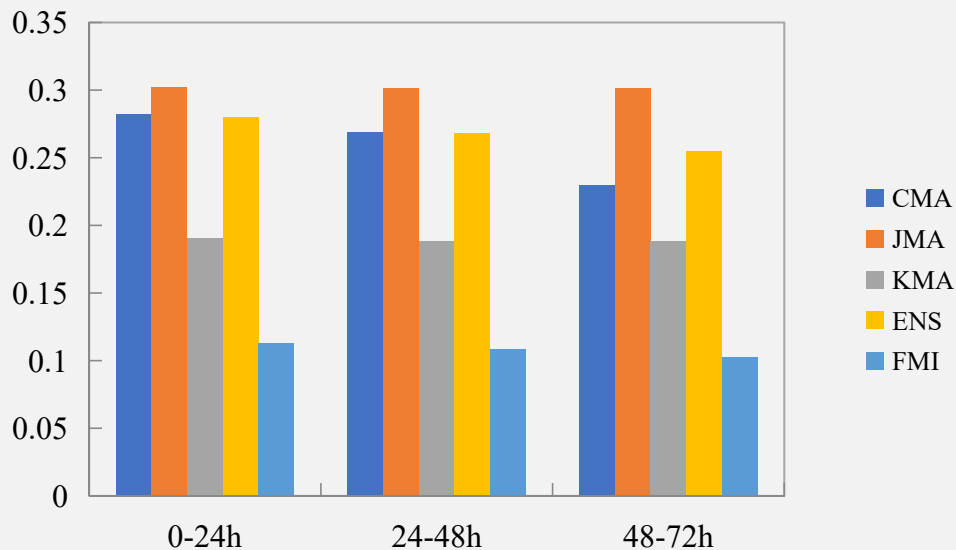
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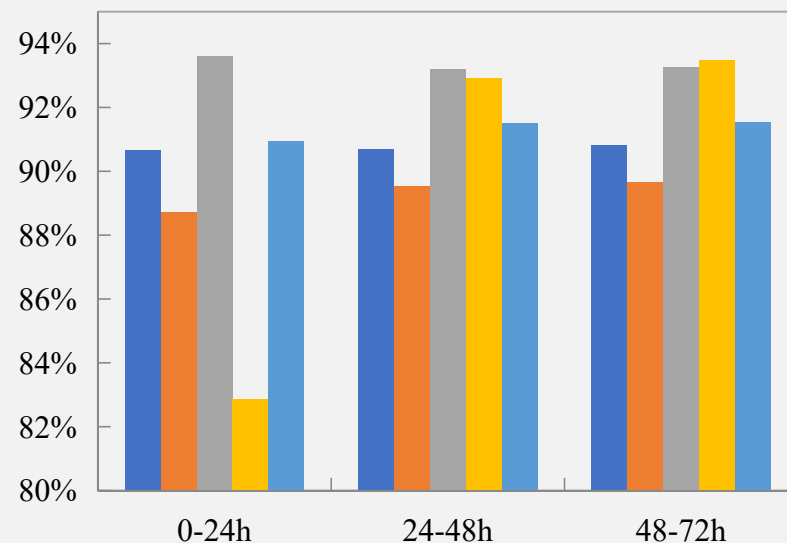
SDS graded forecast



Threat Scores in spring 2023

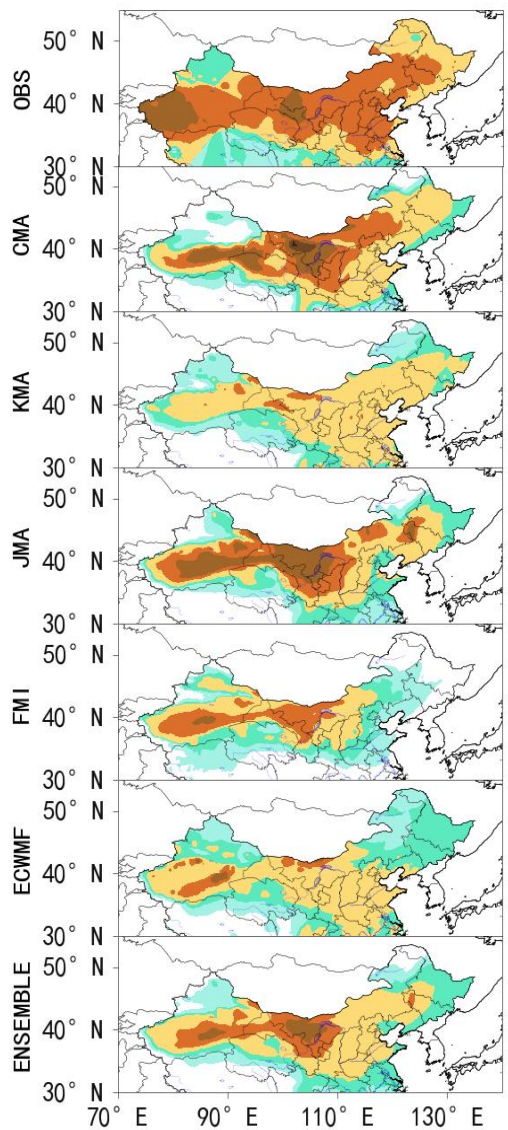


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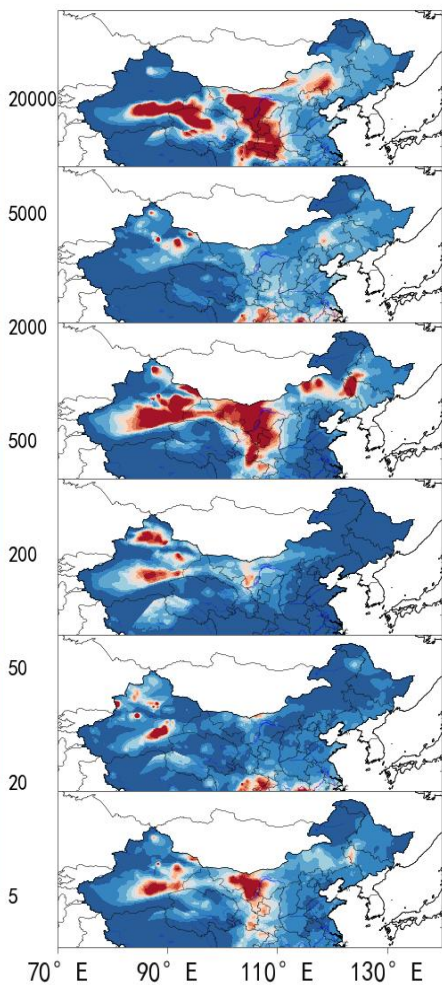


Case1: Severe SDS process of 19–24 Mar. 2023

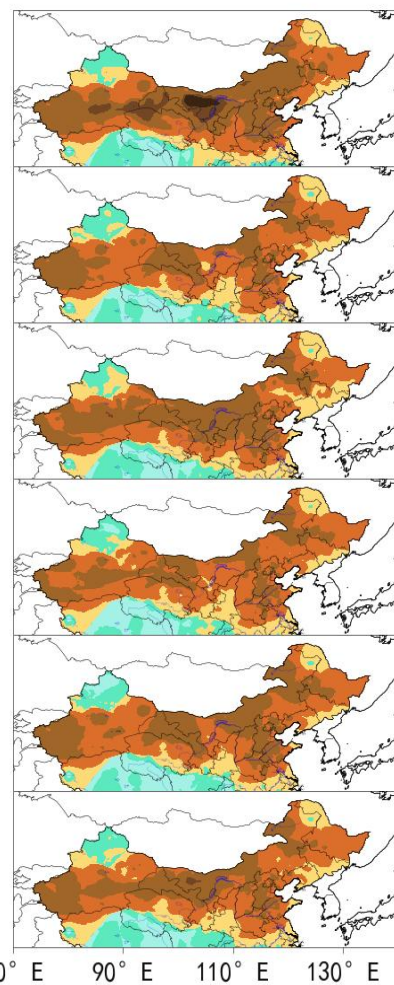
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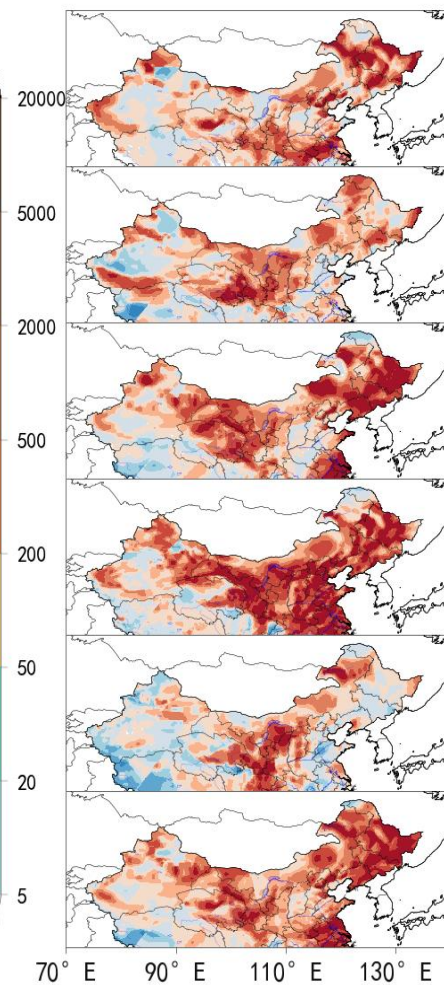
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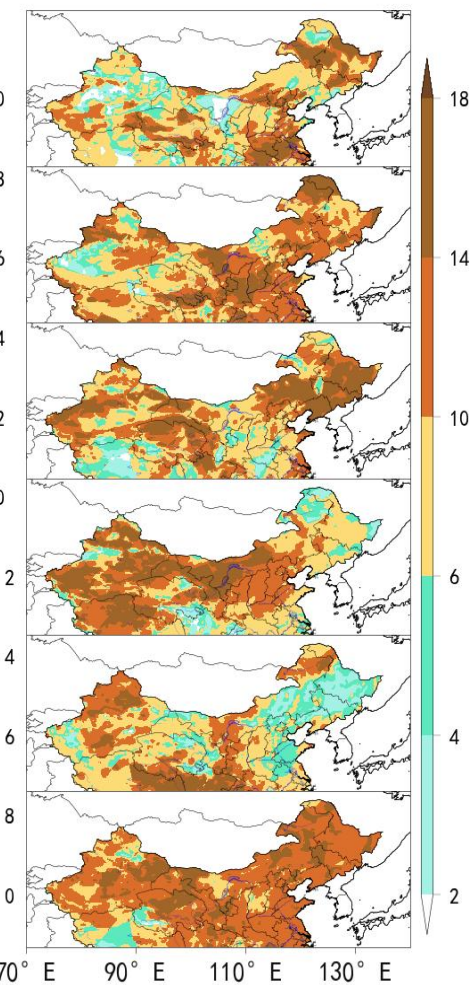
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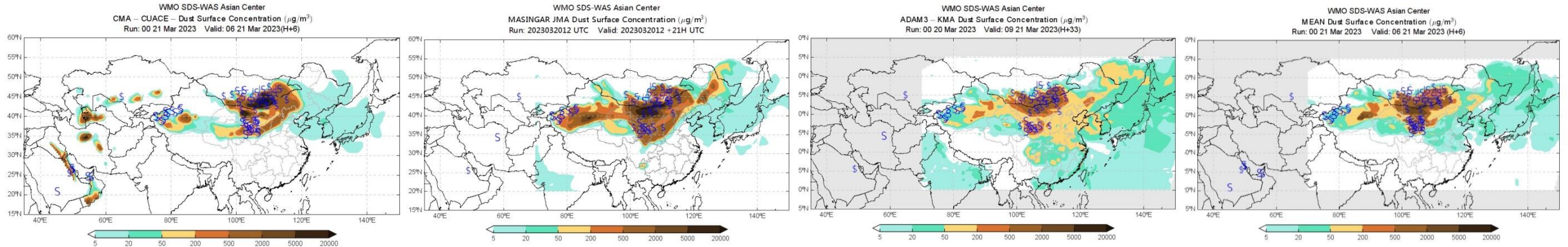
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Total Score



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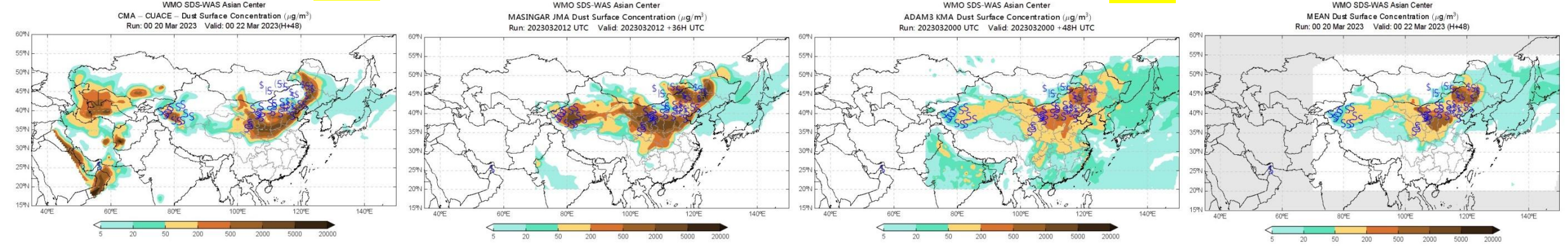
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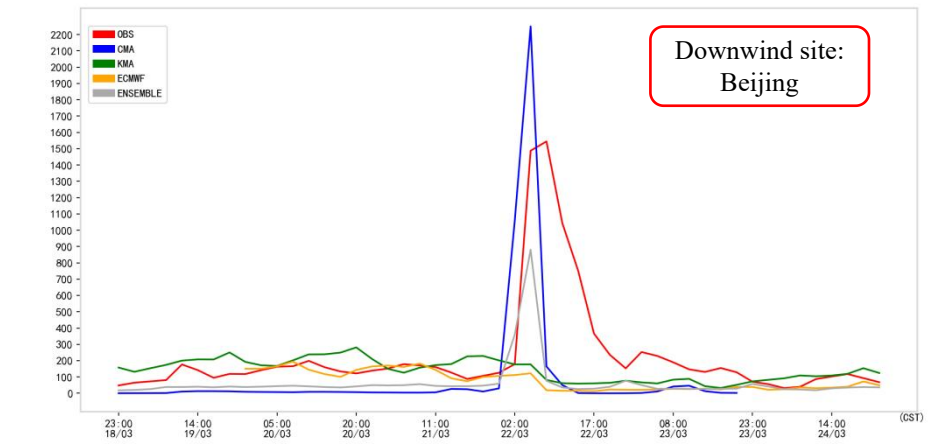
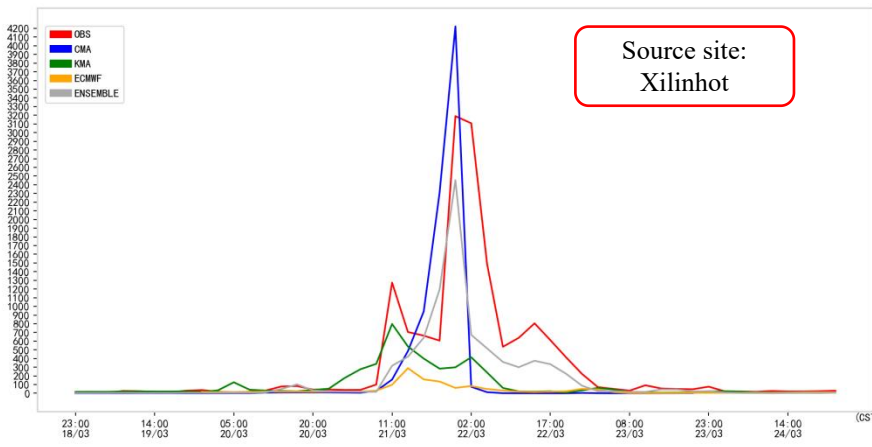
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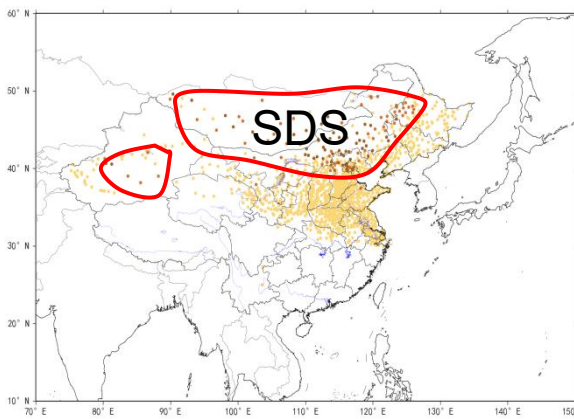
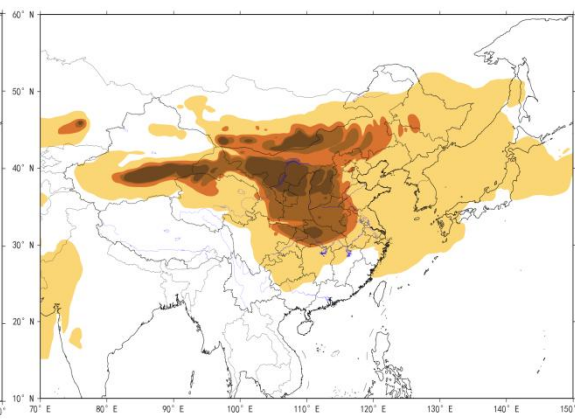
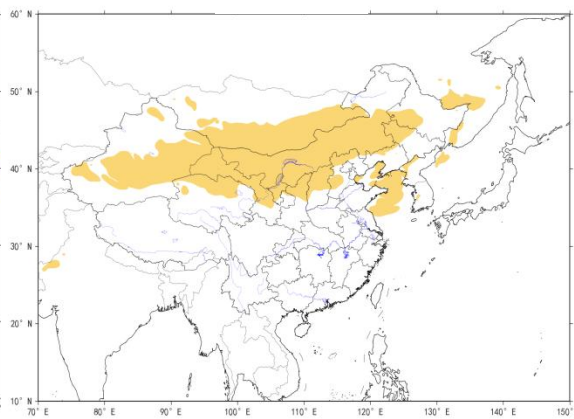
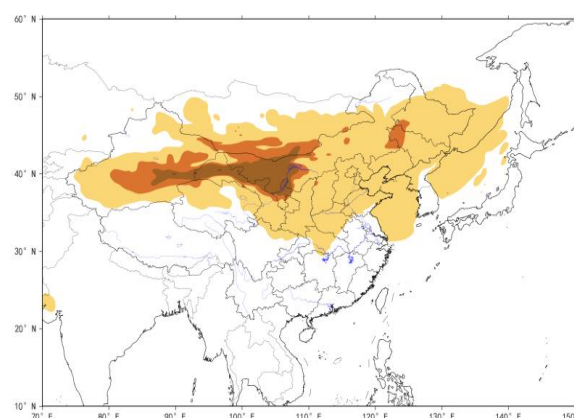
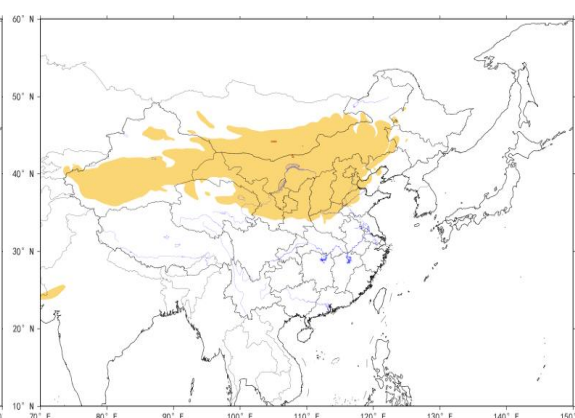
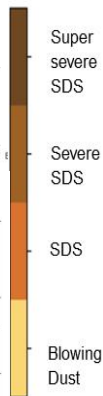
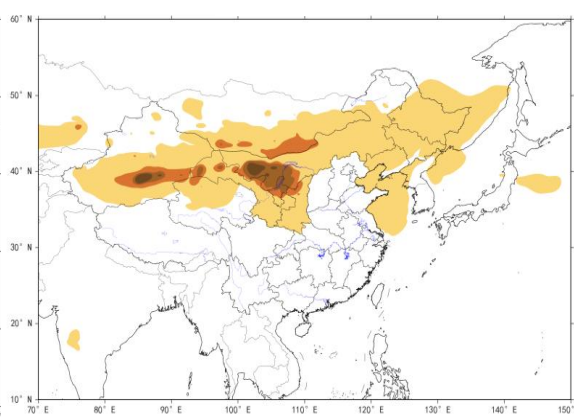
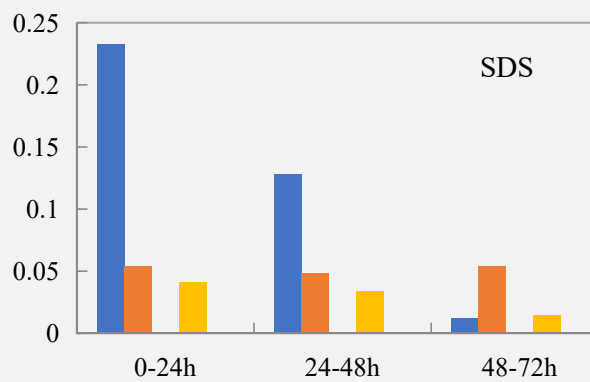
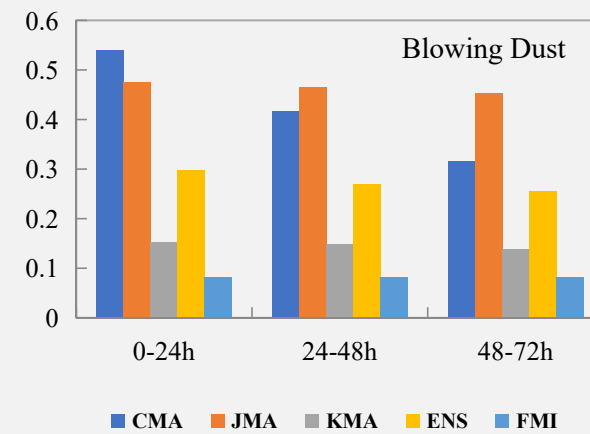
KMA

ENS



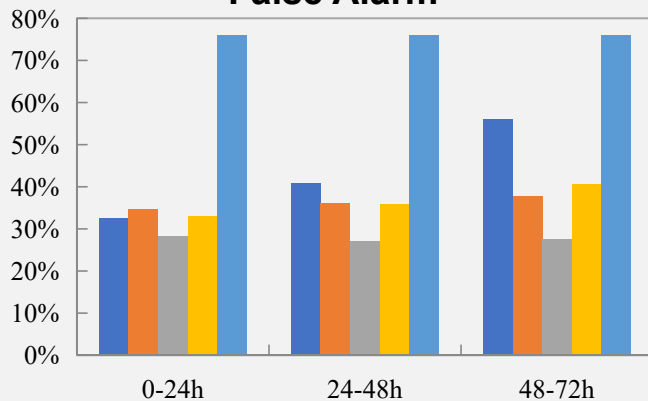
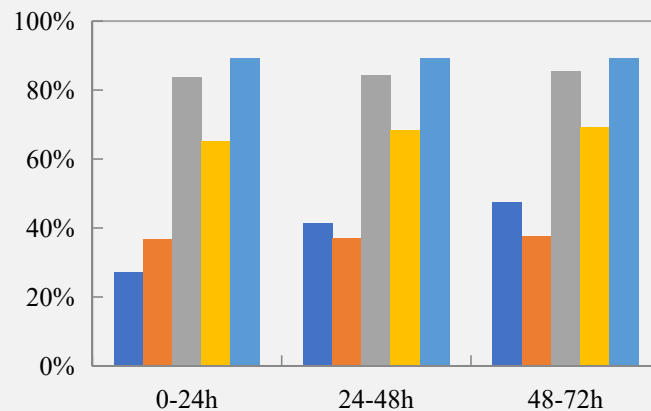
PM Concentration
(Fcast vs. Obs)



OBS**CMA****KMA****JMA****FMI****ENS****Threat Scores**

**March 19-24, 2023 (CST)
Sever SDS Process**

China and Mongolia

False Alarm**Miss Ratio**

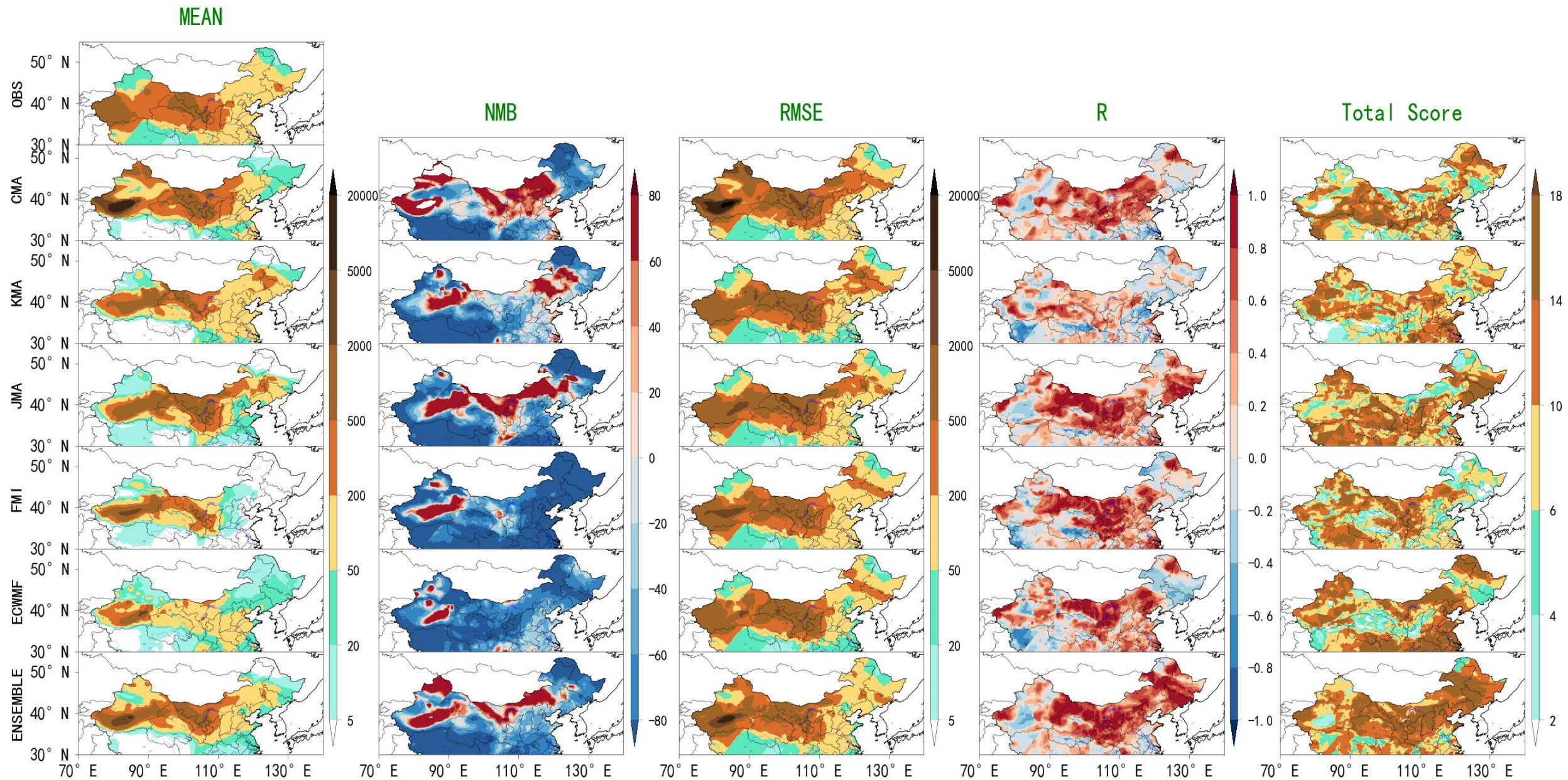
		SDS Observed	
		YES	NO
SDS Forecasted	YES	NA	NB
	NO	NC	ND

Threat Score: $TS = \frac{NA}{NA + NB + NC}$

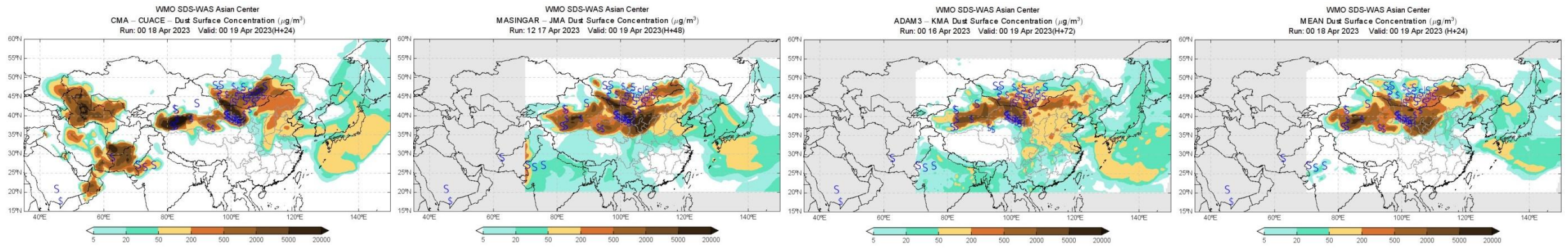
Miss Ratio: $MR = \frac{NC}{NA + NC}$

False Alarm: $FAR = \frac{NB}{NA + NB}$

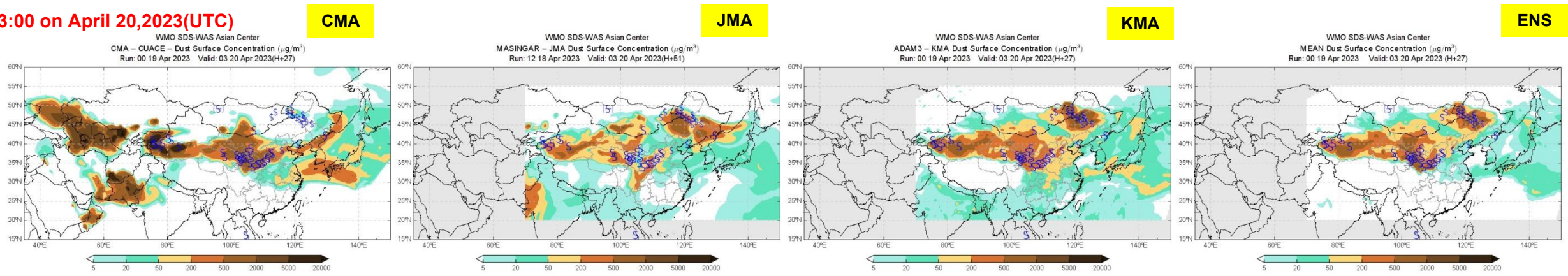
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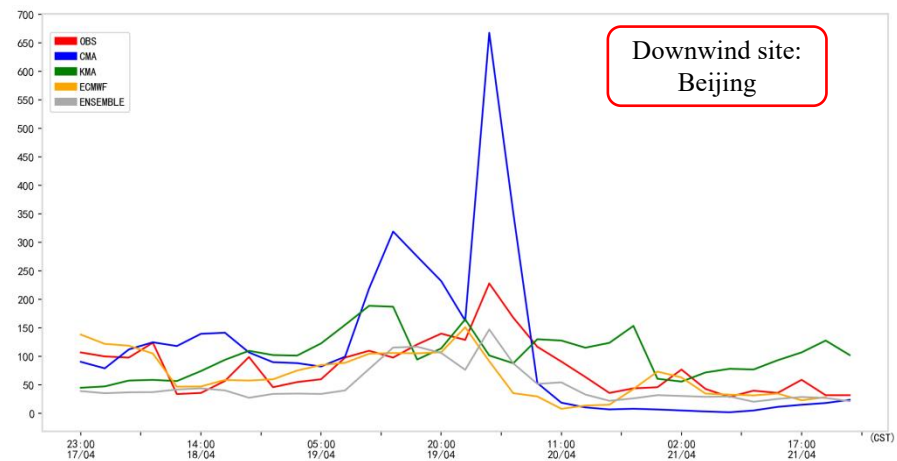
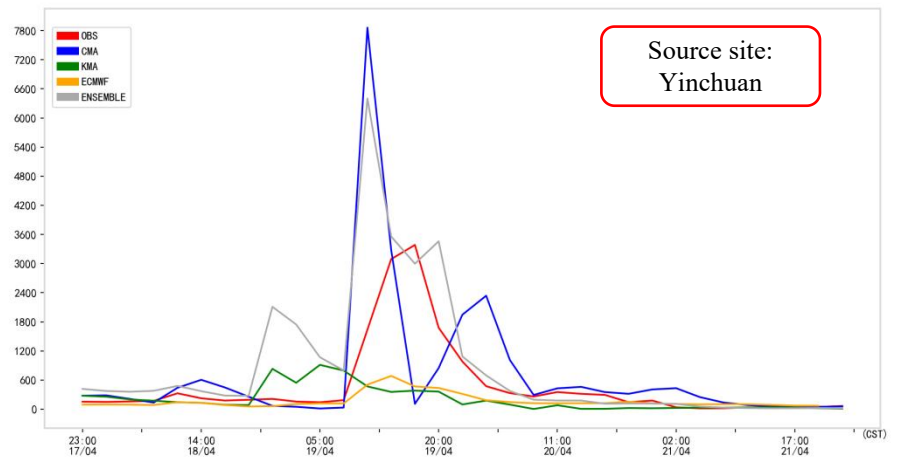
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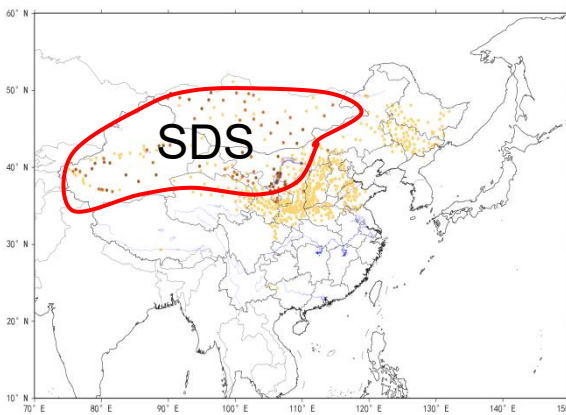
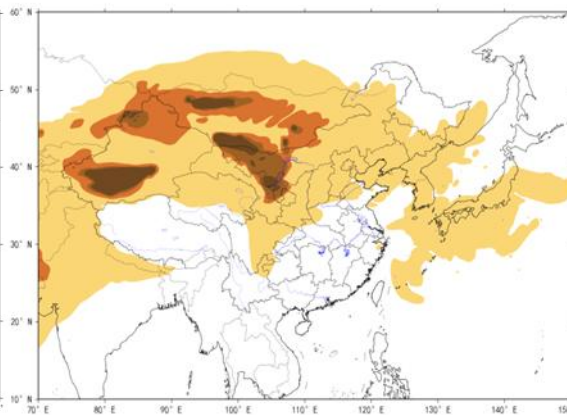
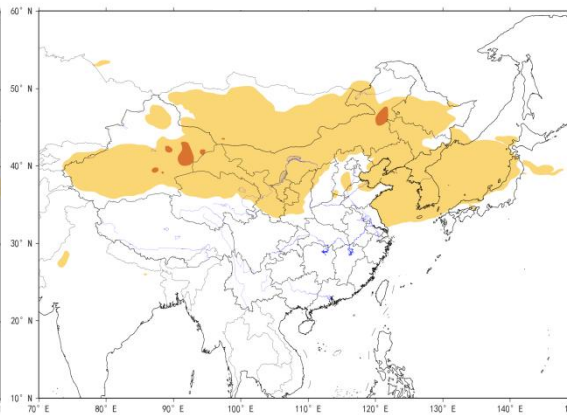
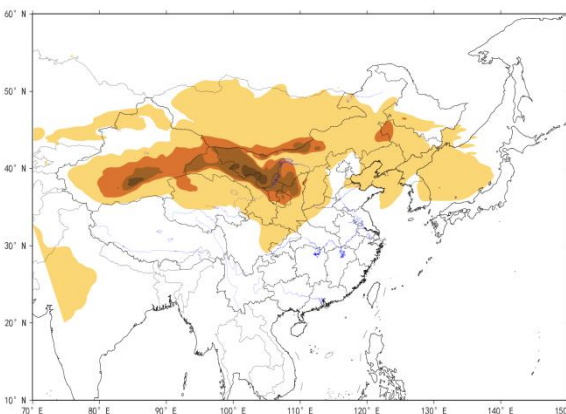
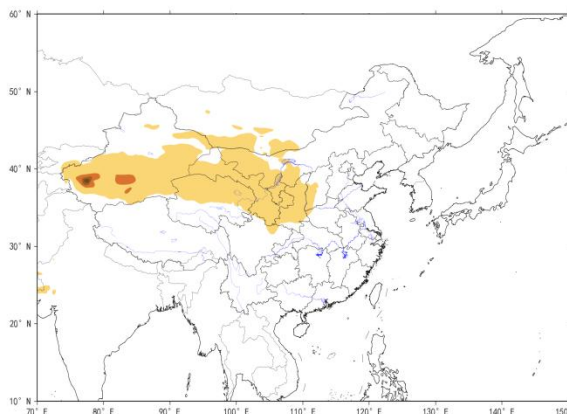
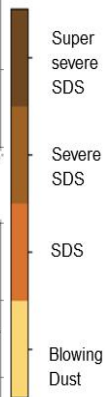
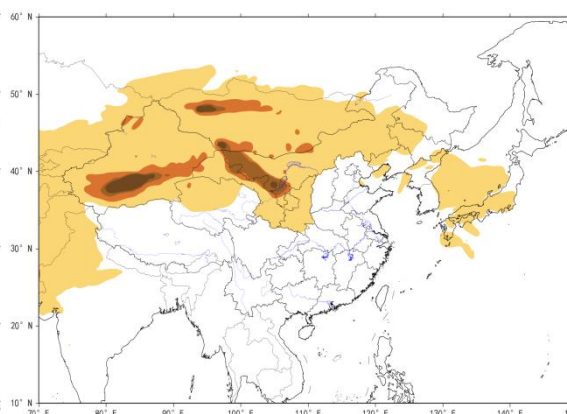
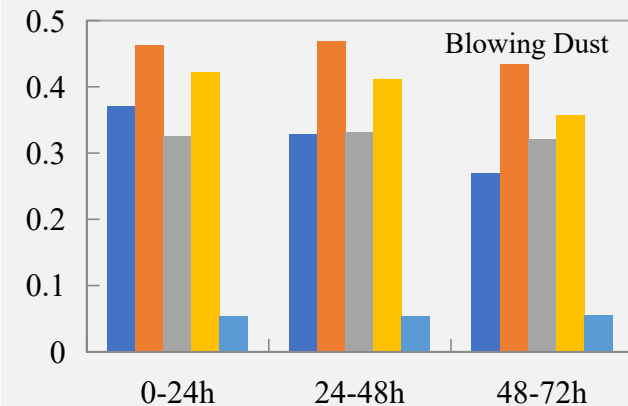
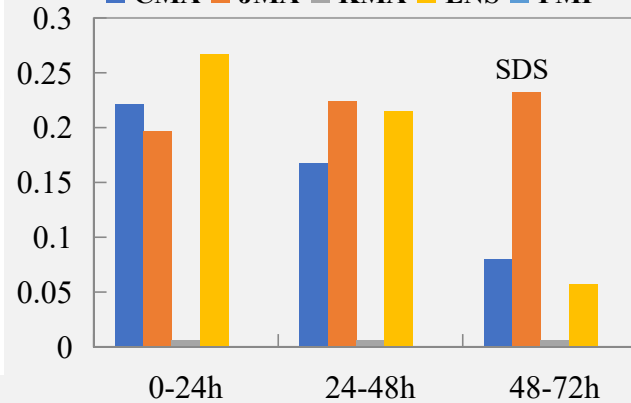
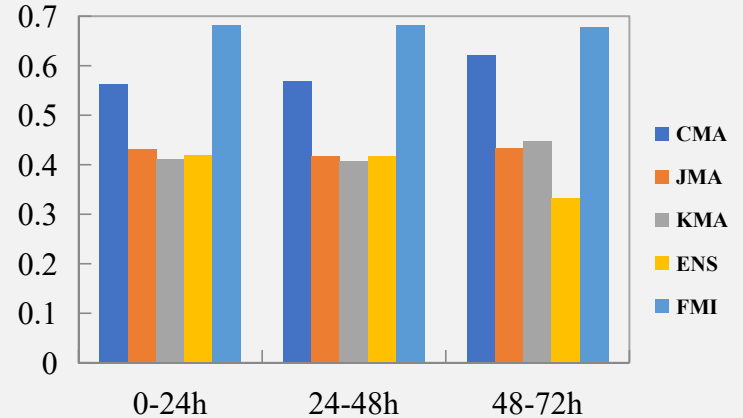
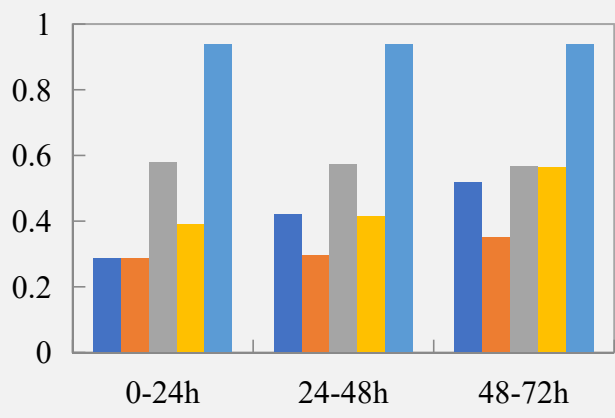


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PM Concentration
(Fcst vs. Obs)



OBS**CMA****KMA****JMA****FMI****ENS****Threat Scores****Blowing Dust****SDS****April 18-21, 2023 (CST)****Sever SDS Process****False Alarm****Miss Ratio****Focus on China and Mongolia**

Conclusion

Comparing with the surface concentrations and synoptic SDS records, **all of operational SDS forecasting models can successfully captured the production and evolution of SDS processes in East Asia except NCEP.**

- ❑ Focused on CMA and JMA separately, its robust forecast ability had been demonstrated through predicting sever SDS processes in spring. Especially for the variation trend of surface dust concentration, the CMA predictions were extremely consistent with observations. For KMA, the movement paths of forecasting were consisted with reality.
- ❑ In sometimes, CMA was faster for the prediction of dust deposition in the transmission stage. JMA simulated dust emission flux in northwestern China was higher compared with observations, but KMA was lower in China and Mongolia.

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- Gridding observed dust concentration could be improved by merging of observations from FY4A satellite and surface PM concentration.**
- Using spatial verification to analyze the time series variation of forecast attributes for each dust operational model, such as location, intensity and so on.**