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# Comparing carbon dioxide enhancement from anthropogenic emissions observed by GOSAT and OCO-2

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# Outline



- Background-APEC Blue**
- CO<sub>2</sub> enhancements from regional anthropogenic emissions**
- Sensitivity of satellite retrievals to emission variations**
- Discussion**

## Before 2014 Beijing APEC

Oct 15<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>th</sup>



## During 2014 Beijing APEC

Nov 1<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>



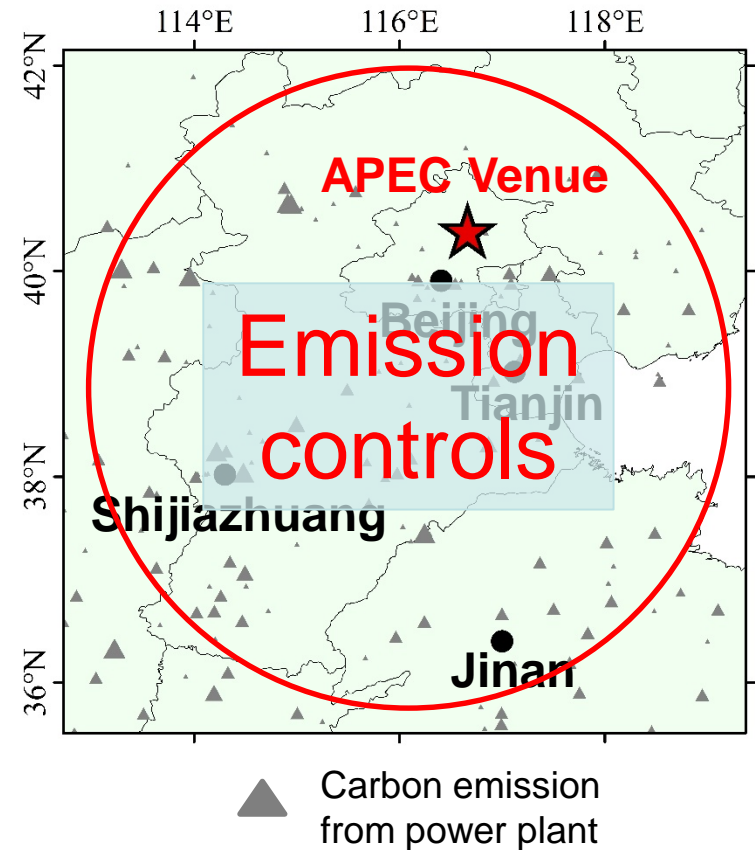
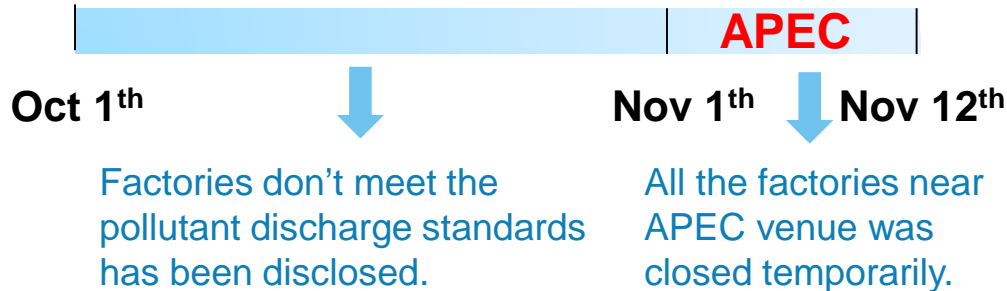
# What causes such a difference?



# ➤ Emission controls

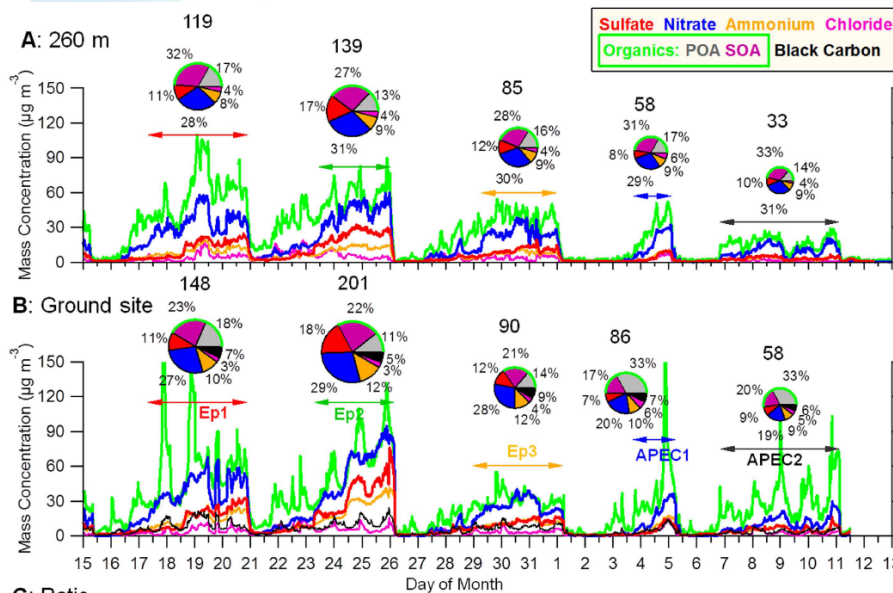
- To ensure good air quality during 2014 APEC summit, strict emission controls were implemented in Beijing and surrounding regions.

- Restrictions on the number of vehicles in operation, factory operation, construction activities.
- Offering vacations to local citizens.
- Free bus.



# ➤ Effectiveness of emission controls: APEC Blue

- The total amount of pollutant emission reductions in Beijing exceeded 40% during 2014 APEC summit (From government report).

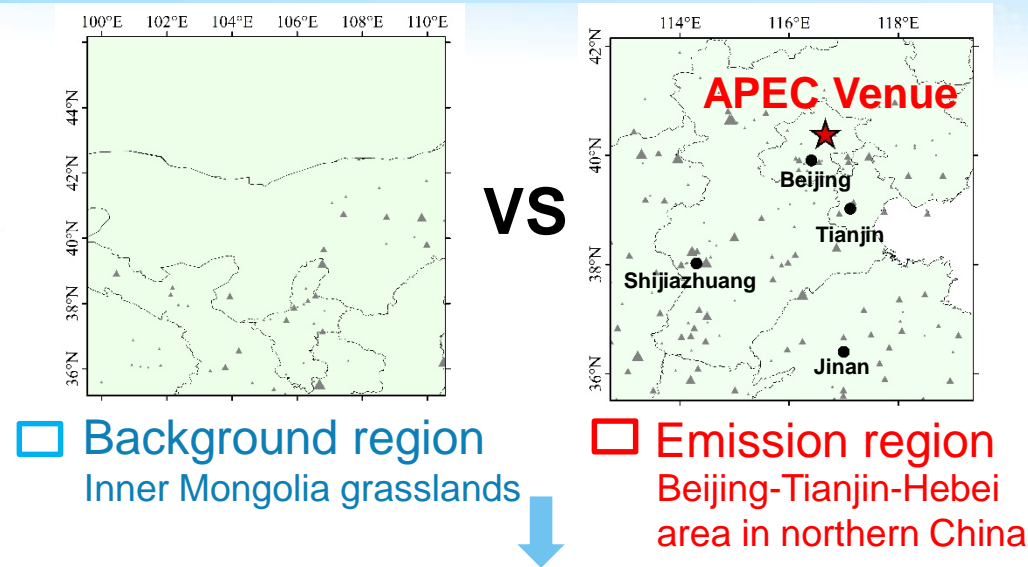


(Sun et al., Sci Rep, 2016)

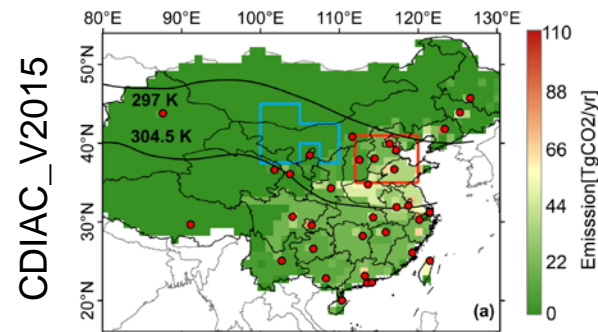
- Reductions during APEC

Type	At 260 height	On ground
SIA	60%	50%
SOA	55%	37%

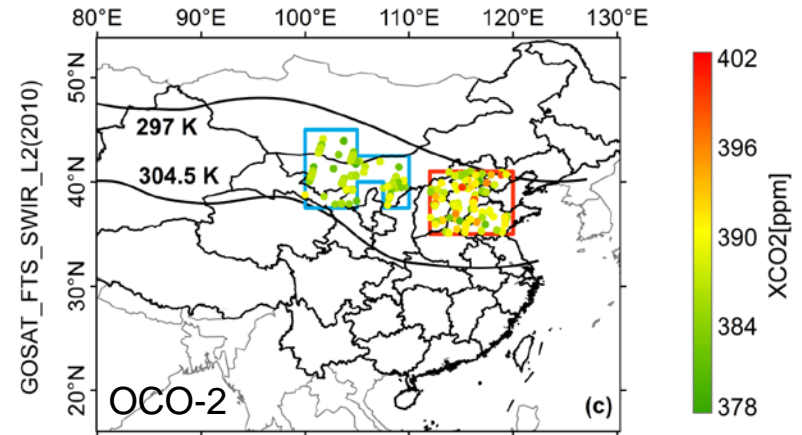
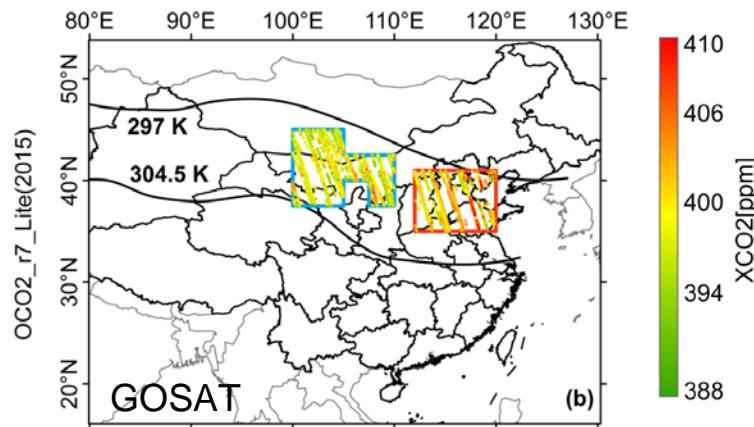
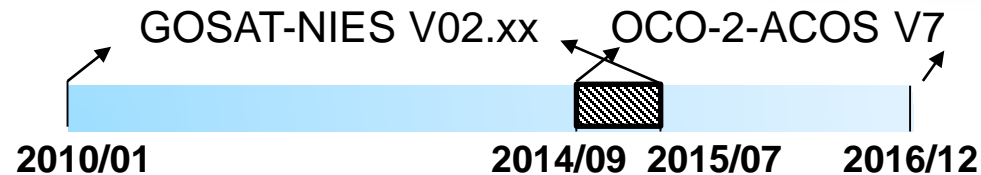
**Whether the effect of emission controls can be detected by GOSAT and OCO-2?**



### Potential temperature from NCEP



- Two regions are settled under the same meteorological conditions.



- Calculating CO<sub>2</sub> enhancements between emission and background region.

$$\text{Enhancement: } \Delta XCO_2 = XCO_2^{\text{Emission}} - XCO_2^{\text{Background}}$$



- Comparing CO<sub>2</sub> enhancements from GOSAT and OCO-2.



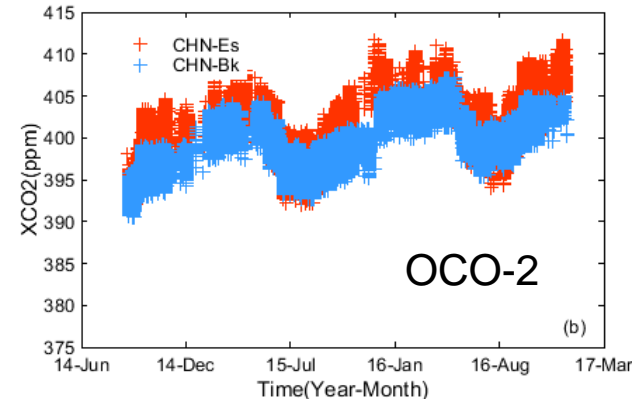
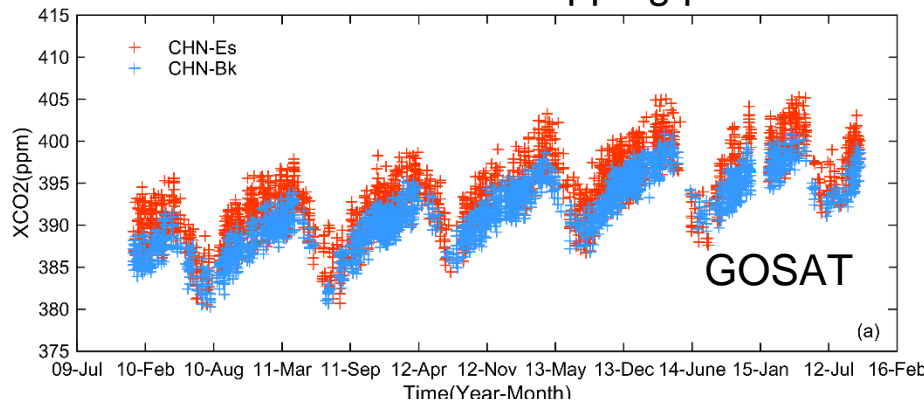
# Results

## ➤ CO<sub>2</sub> enhancements from regional anthropogenic emissions



**Enhancement:  $\Delta XCO_2 = XCO_2^{Emission} - XCO_2^{Background}$**

Overlapping period of GOSAT and OCO-2 2014/09-2015/07



**+** Emission region

**+** Background region

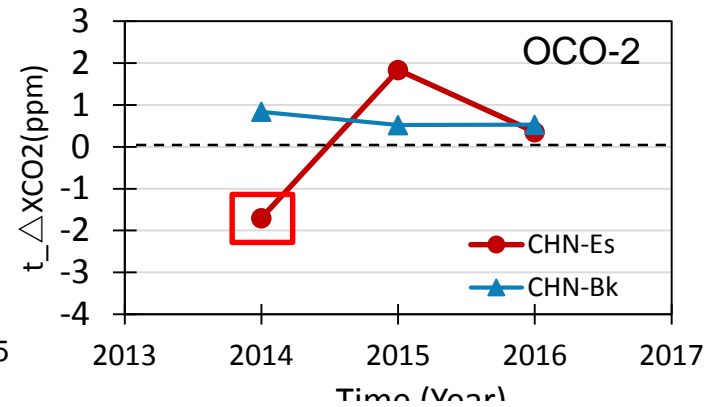
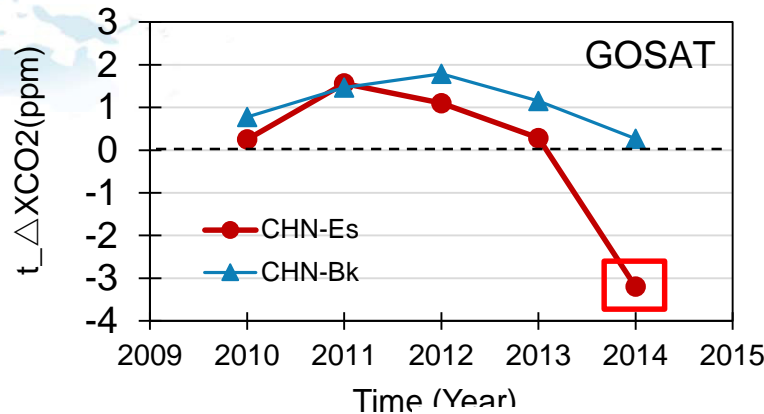
	<b>GOSAT</b>	<b>OCO-2</b>
Averaged $\Delta XCO_2$ in overlapping period	2.48 ppm	2.21 ppm

Regionally elevated CO<sub>2</sub> originating from anthropogenic emissions in urban intensive areas, about 2 ppm detected from GOSAT and OCO-2.



$$T_{\Delta XCO_2} = XCO_2_{inAPEC} - XCO_2_{preAPEC}$$

(Oct 15<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>th</sup>)                      (Nov 1<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>)



● Emission region      ▲ Background region

**--Normal--**

$$XCO_2_{inAPEC} > XCO_2_{preAPEC}$$

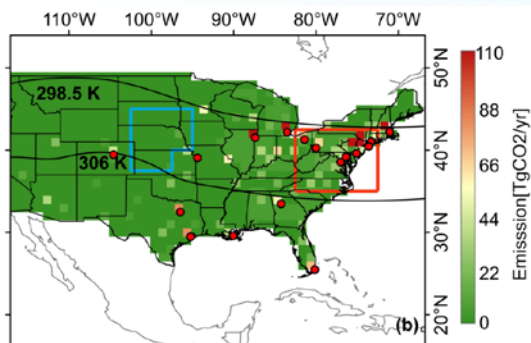
**--Anomaly in 2014--**

$$XCO_2_{inAPEC} < XCO_2_{preAPEC}$$

**abnormal decline of 3 ppm in emission region**

$XCO_2$  retrieved from GOSAT and OCO-2 can capture the effect of emission controls under strict mitigation measures.

# Discussion ➤ Variations of XCO<sub>2</sub> in America

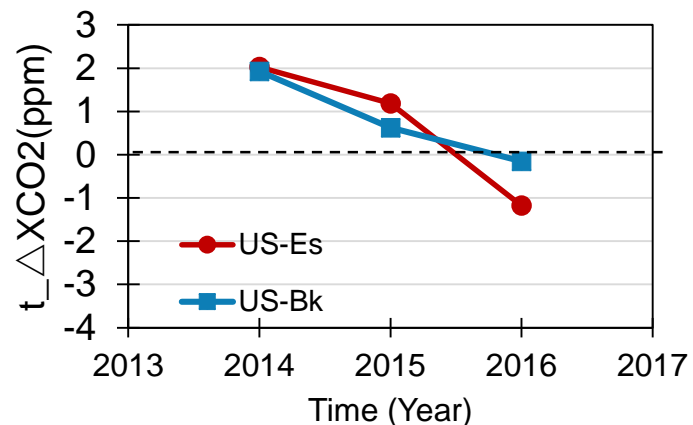
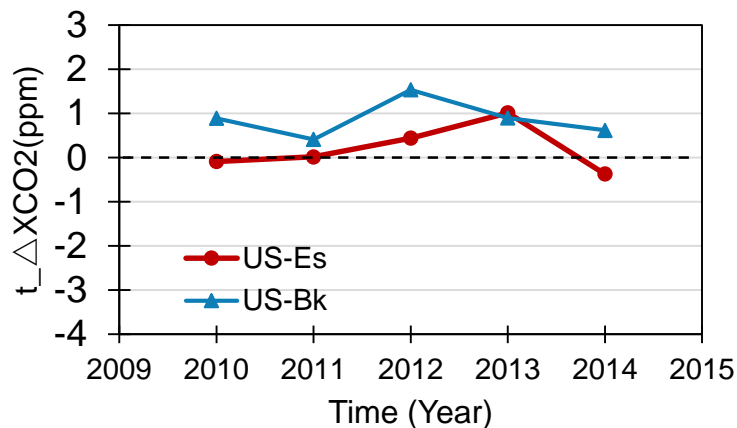


□ Background region  
Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas

□ Emission region  
Urban agglomeration in eastern USA

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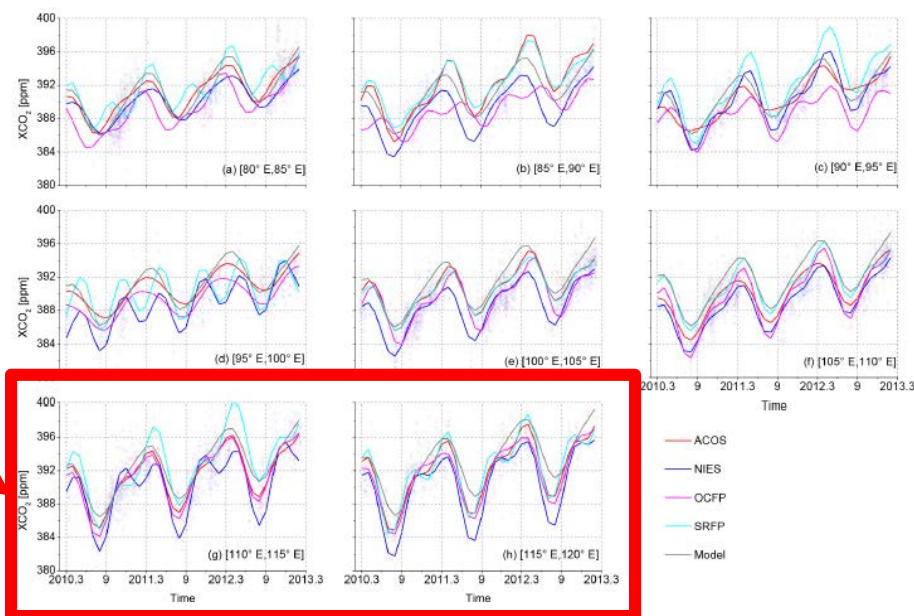
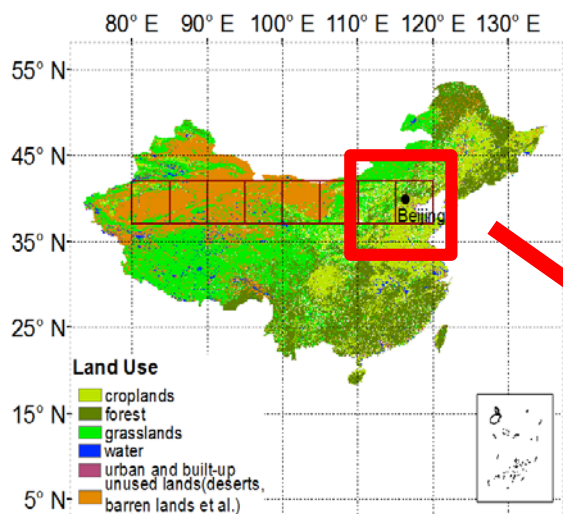
The anomaly of XCO<sub>2</sub> in 2014, which induced by regional emission reductions, hasn't been found in America.

# Discussion

## ➤ Uncertainty of XCO<sub>2</sub> in emission region



- Difference of XCO<sub>2</sub> retrievals from the four algorithms (ACOS, NIES, OCFP, SRFP) and simulated XCO<sub>2</sub> from GEOS-Chem model in the emission region.



(Bie et al., AMT, 2018)

Inconsistency presents smallest in the eastern regions where the megacity of Beijing is located and anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are largely concentrated.

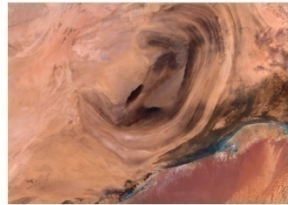
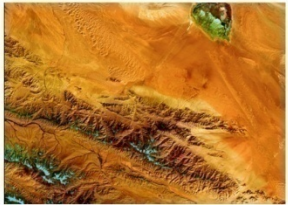
# Conclusions



- Verified in further that regionally enhanced  $\text{CO}_2$  originating from anthropogenic emissions in urban intensive areas can be detected both from GOSAT and OCO-2.
- Our results, detecting the  $\text{XCO}_2$  reduction induced by emission control (APEC Blue), indicates that the regional enhanced  $\text{XCO}_2$  induced by anthropogenic emission is likely maximum up to 3 ppm even in the strong emission region.



# Thank you!

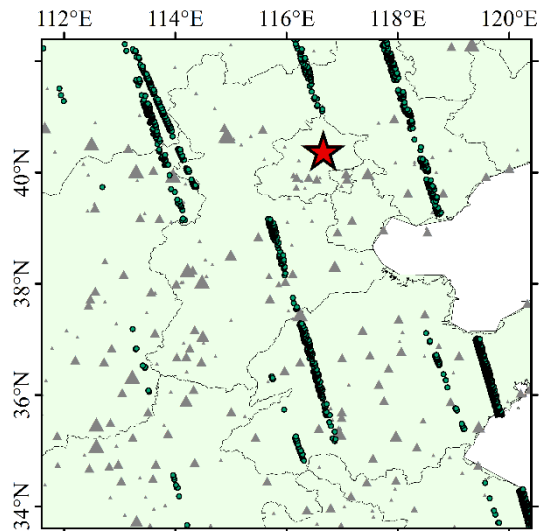


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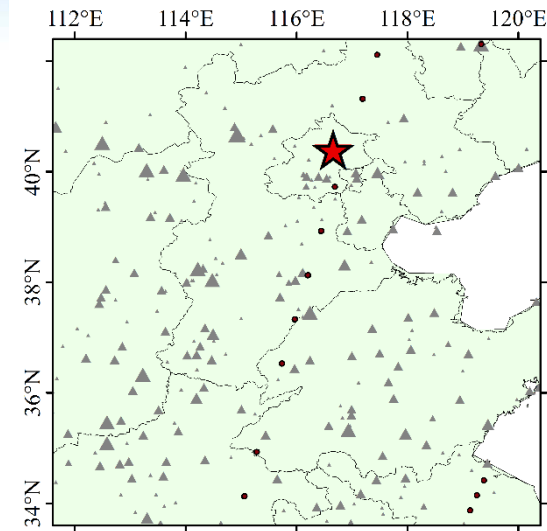
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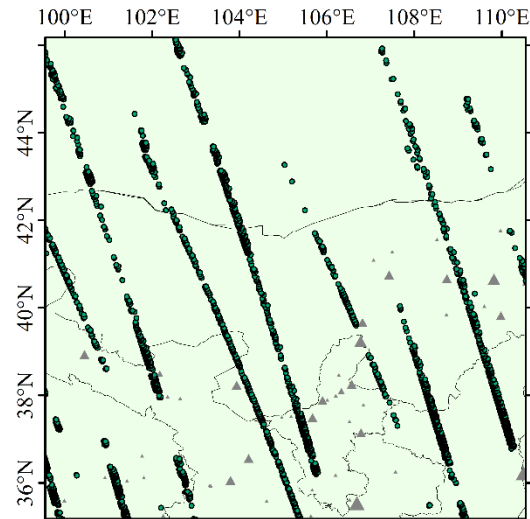
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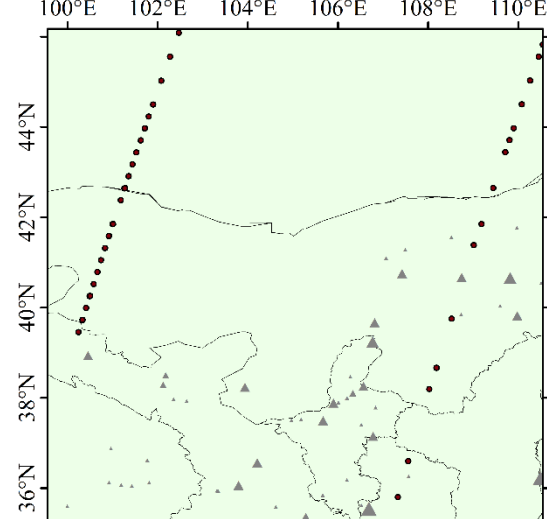
## ● GOSAT\_Emission region



## ● OCO2\_Background region



## ● GOSAT\_Background region



- ★ APEC Venue
- XCO2 footprints
- ▲ Carbon emission from power plant