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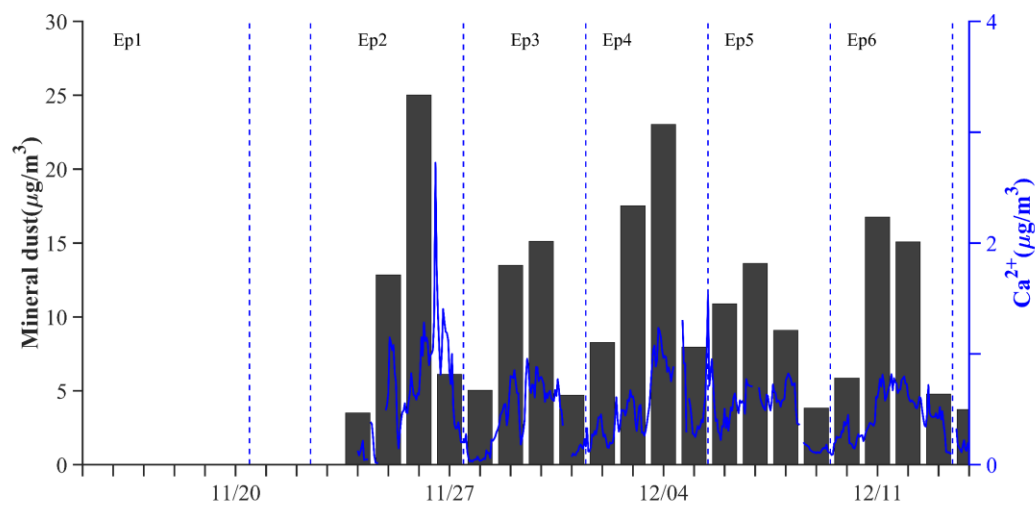
Modeling of aerosol property evolution during winter haze episodes over a megacity cluster in northern China: roles of regional transport and heterogeneous reactions of SO₂

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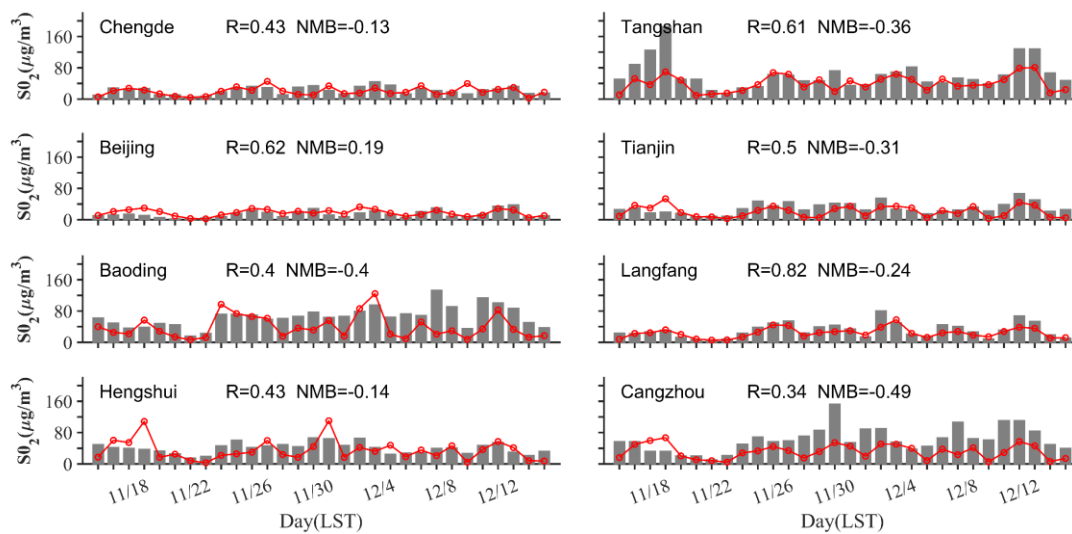
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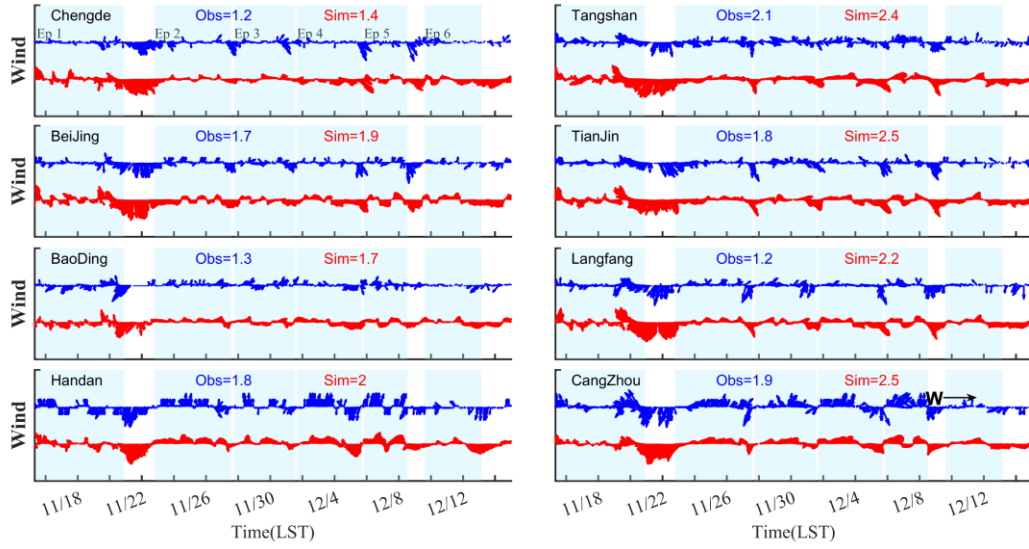
3 **Figure S1.** Concentration of mineral dust and Ca^{2+} in $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ during the study period.

4 And $\text{Mineral} = 2.2 \times [\text{Al}] + 2.49 \times [\text{Si}] + 1.63 \times [\text{Ca}] + 2.42 \times [\text{Fe}] + 1.94 \times [\text{Ti}]$.



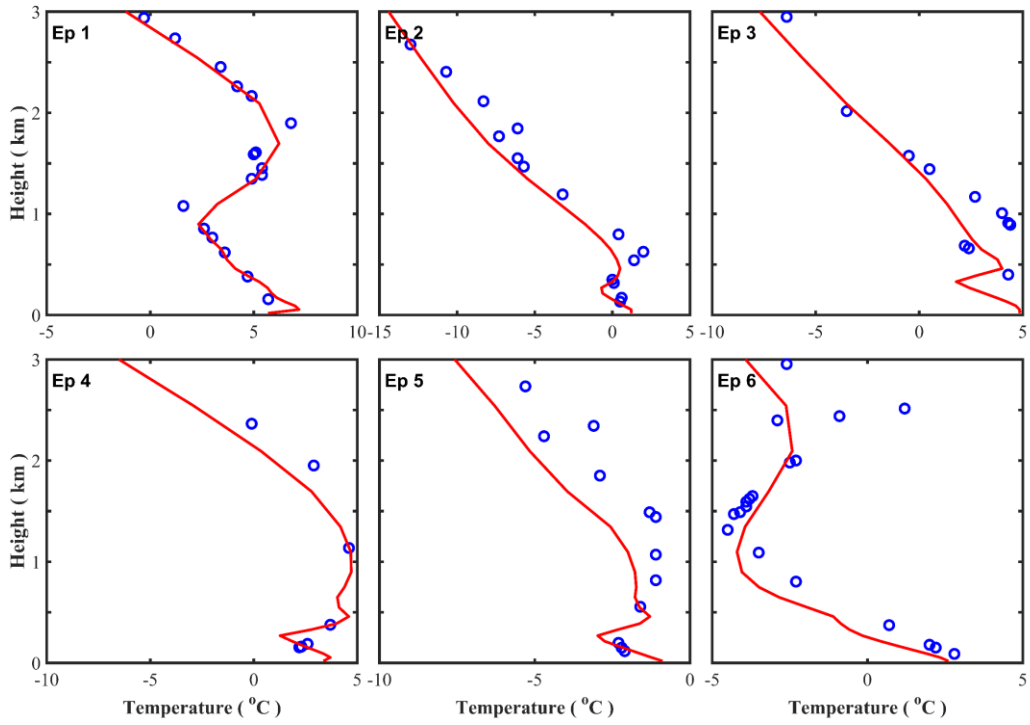
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6 **Figure S2.** Comparison between the simulated (red) and observed (gray bars) daily
7 concentrations of SO_2 .



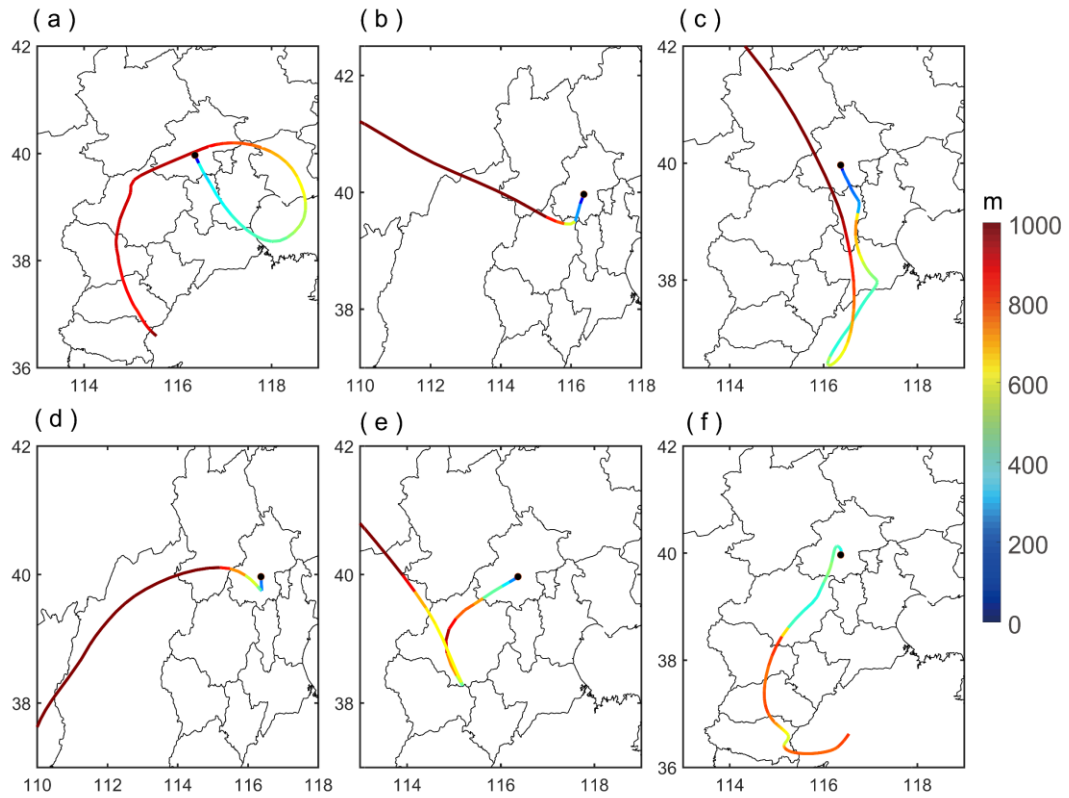
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9 **Figure S3.** Comparison between simulated (red) and observed (blue) wind vector and
 10 wind speeds (data) at cities of BTH.



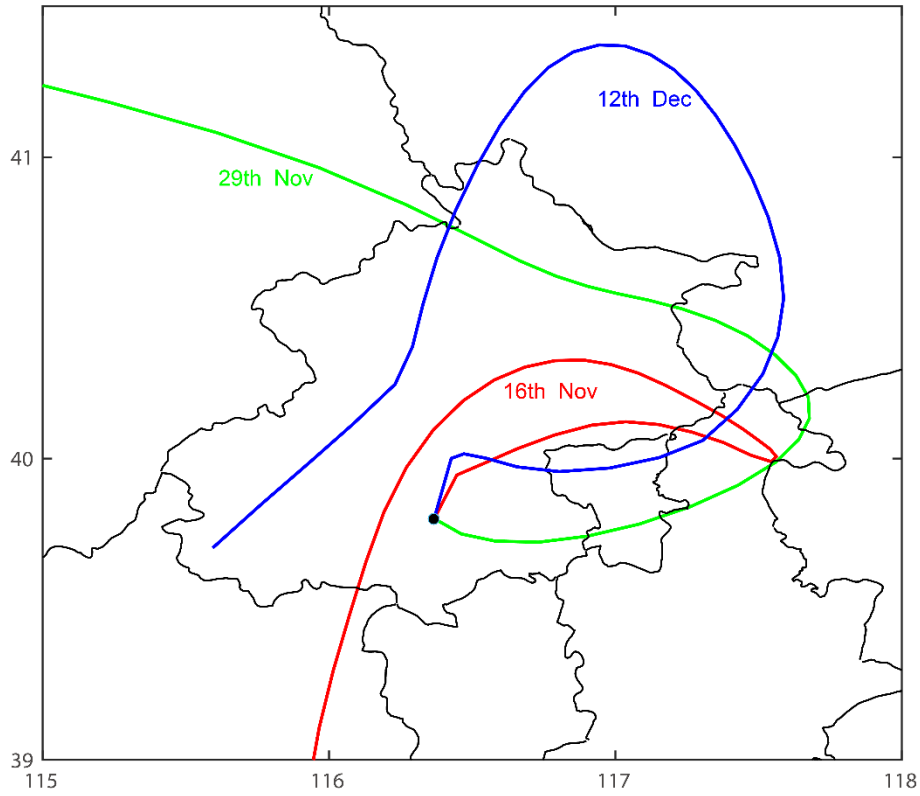
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12 **Figure S4.** Comparison between simulated (red solid line) and observed (blue dot)
 13 temperature profiles during episodes in Beijing.



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15 **Figure S5.** 72 h backward trajectories during different episodes (05:00 on November
 16 20, 18:00 on November 26, 23:00 on November 29, 20:00 on December 03, 05:00 on
 17 December 08 and 11:00 on December 12 [LST]) at Beijing at 100m. Line color
 18 represents height of trajectories. a-f refer to Ep1-6.



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20 **Figure S6.** 36 h backward trajectories at different start time (02:00 on November 17,
 21 11:00 on November 29, and 23:00 on December 12 [LST]) at Beijing.

22 **Table S1.** Statistics performances of meteorological simulations, including temperature
 23 and relative humidity at 2 m, and wind speed at 10 m. Statistical parameters include
 24 correlation coefficient (R), Normalized Mean Bias (NMB) and Root Mean Squared
 25 Error (RMSE).

		Obs	Sim	NMB	R	RMSE
T2(K)	Beijing	2.42	3.31	0.37	0.88	2.11
	Tianjin	4.05	3.73	-0.08	0.93	1.48
	Langfang	2.13	3.06	0.44	0.89	2.13
	Chengde	-3.39	-1.66	-0.51	0.89	3.31
RH2(%)	Beijing	53.93	39.53	-0.27	0.69	21.87
	Tianjin	56.95	47.58	-0.16	0.73	18.09
	Langfang	60.39	46.54	-0.23	0.71	21.54

WS10(m/s)	Chengde	61.56	55.96	-0.09	0.47	20.26
	Beijing	1.68	1.93	0.15	0.65	1.30
	Tianjin	1.76	2.46	0.39	0.70	1.50
	Langfang	1.23	2.15	0.74	0.57	1.56
	Chengde	1.16	1.41	0.21	0.63	1.22

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27 **Table S2.** Aerosol properties along transport, including geometric mean diameter
28 (GMD [nm]), mass ratio of coating to BC (R_{BC}), number concentration (N) and
29 contribution of region source to BC (Cr [%]). T_0 means ending points of back
30 trajectories and T_n means n hours before arriving at the ending point.

Period	Property	T_{-24}	T_{-18}	T_{-12}	T_{-6}	T_0
Ep1	R_{BC}	3.6	4.0	5.2	7.8	8.7
	GMD	97	115	128	139	134
	N	28994	15494	15204	15592	19242
	Cr	40	93	75	7	34
Ep2	R_{BC}	2.1	3.6	2.3	5.7	3.8
	GMD	91	104	102	119	106
	N	23909	15189	17961	10994	20121
	Cr	1.2	0.14	0.01	95	13
Ep3	R_{BC}	6.9	13.2	3.2	4.1	7.6
	GMD	13	74	96	95	126
	N	22234	11880	13481	14241	12945
	Cr	59	81.4	6.2	8.8	1
Ep4	R_{BC}	2.3	6.2	3.6	5.4	6.9
	GMD	102	98	95	111	117
	N	19754	12805	21116	10536	17199
	Cr	98	56	68	25	1
Ep5	R_{BC}	69	10.0	2.9	2.1	6.6
	GMD	29	114	99	95	124
	N	8617	8086	16494	28211	13696
	Cr	100	100	50	4	78
Ep6	R_{BC}	1.8	2.4	4.6	5.9	4.6
	GMD	98	103	111	129	116
	N	31691	23691	17885	12897	21955
	Cr	54	0.17	0.01	65	19

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