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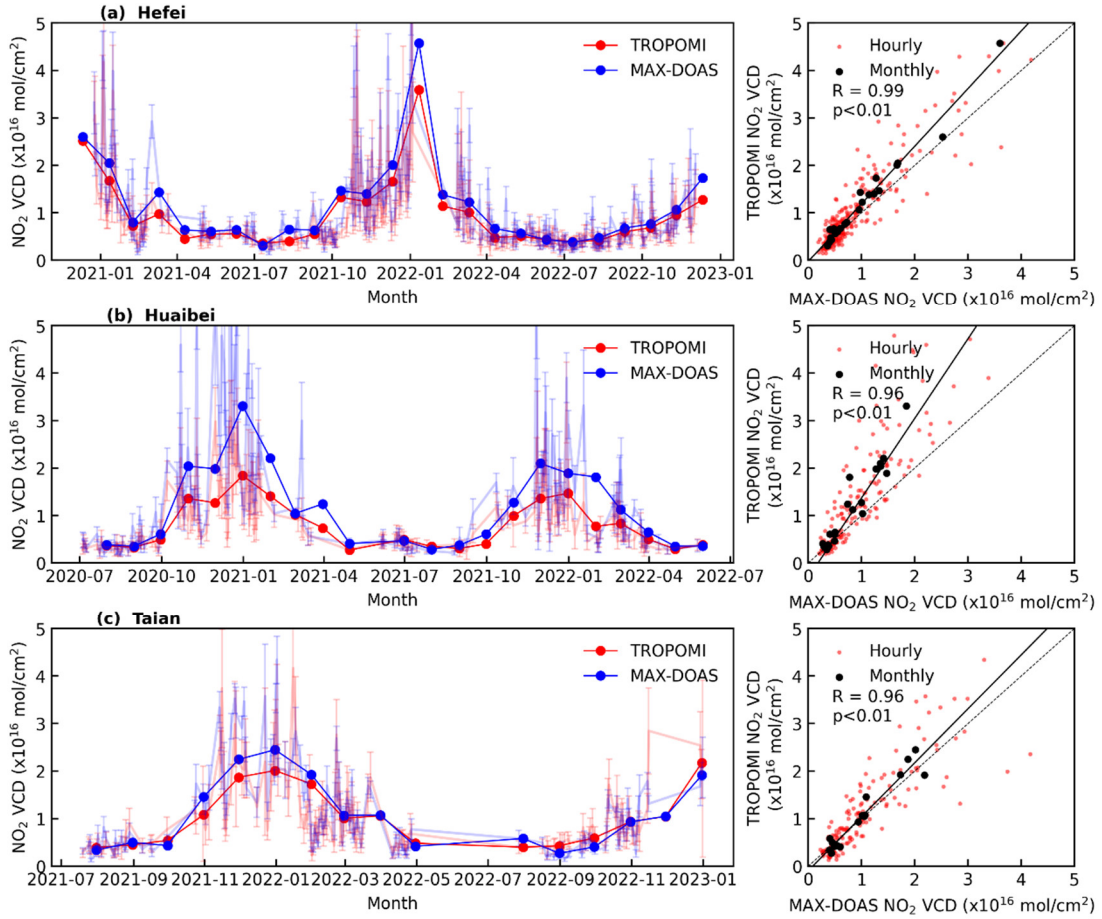
Opposing trends in the peak and low ozone concentrations in eastern China: anthropogenic and meteorological influences

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Figures:



5 **Fig.S1.** Time series comparison (left panel) and scatter plot comparison (right panel) of monthly mean TROPOMI and MAX-DOAS NO₂ VCD during the whole observation period in (a) Hefei, (b) Huaibei, and (c) Tai'an, respectively. The light red and light blue dots in left panel represent the TROPOMI and MAX-DOAS observed hourly values, respectively, and the solid red and solid blue dots represent the TROPOMI and MAX-DOAS observed monthly mean values, respectively. The vertical bar in hourly values represents errors.

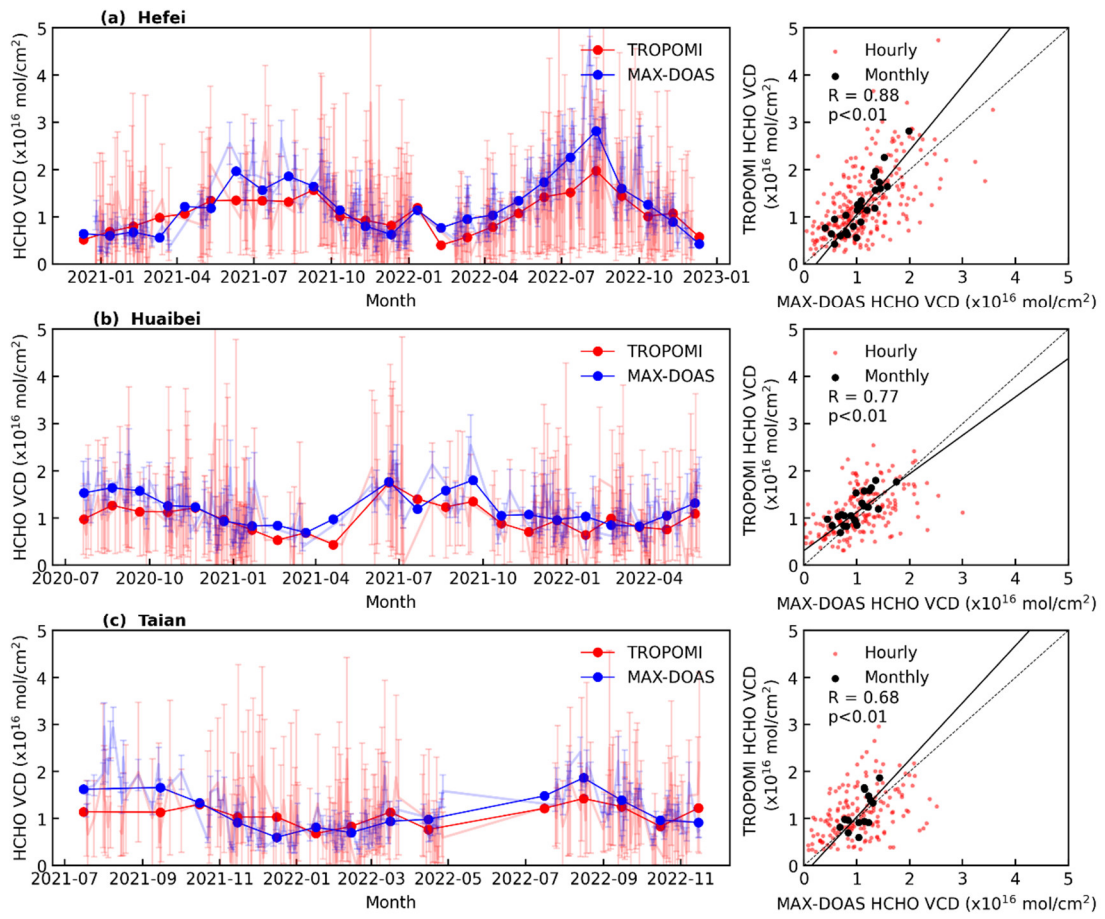


Fig.S2. The same as Fig.S1 but for HCHO VCD comparison.

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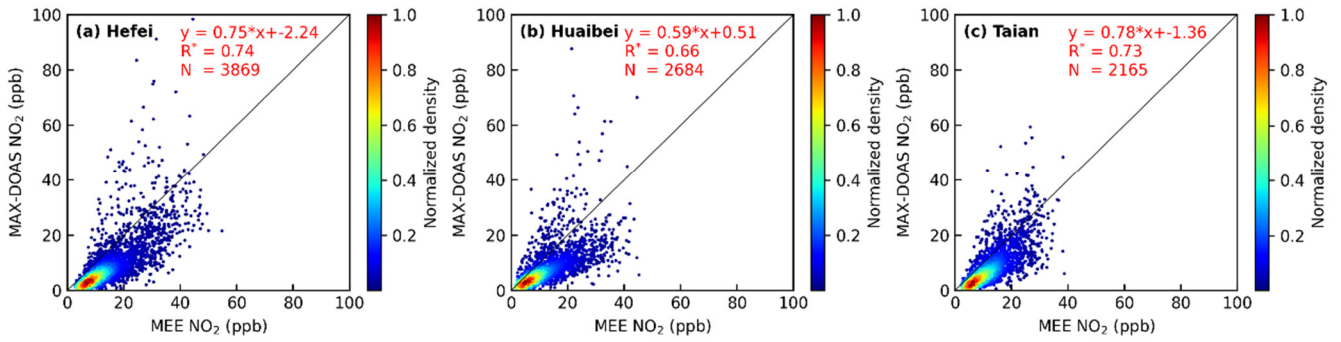


Fig.S3. Scatter plots show the correlation between the surface hourly NO₂ concentrations observed by Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China (MEE) and ground-based MAX-DOAS in (a) Hefei, (b) Huaibei, and (c) Tai'an during the whole observation period. The linear fitting function and correlation coefficient are show at the top of each panel, N=number of samples, and the superscript asterisk indicates P<0.01. Here, the color bar indicates the density.

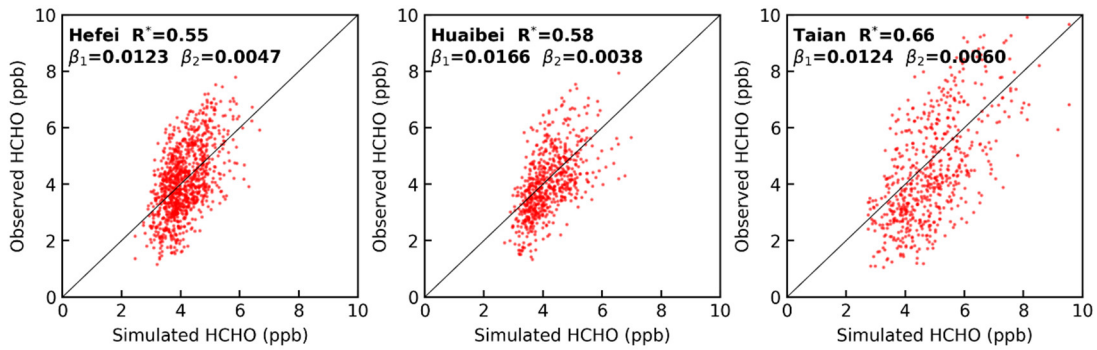


Fig.S4. Correlation analysis result of the simulated HCHO from the multi-linear regression model and measured HCHO, and the superscript asterisk indicates P<0.01.

Tables:

Table S1. Meteorological fields considered as possible 98% O₃ and 2% O₃ covariates

	Variables	Symbol	Average time (LT)	Units
98%	2-m temperature	T2	Maximum	K
	Surface relative humidity	RH	24 h	%
	Total cloud cover	TCC	08–18 h	0-1
	Total precipitation	TP	24 h	mm
	Mean sea level pressure	MSLP	24 h	Pa
	Wind speed	U, V	24 h	m/s
	Boundary layer height	BLH	08–18 h	m
	Vertical velocity at 850 hPa	V850	24 h	m/s
2%	2-m temperature	T2	Minimum	K
	Surface relative humidity	RH	19–07 h	%
	Total precipitation	TP	24 h	mm
	Mean sea level pressure	MSLP	24 h	Pa
	Wind speed	U, V	24 h	m/s
	Boundary layer height	BLH	19–07 h	m
	Vertical velocity at 850 hPa	V850	24 h	m/s

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Table S2. Meteorological drivers of 2% O₃ percentile and Pearson correlation coefficient between observed and modeled 2% O₃ percentile in each city of eastern China during May–September 2017–2022

	Meteorological variable					Meteorological variable			
	1 st	2 st	3 st	R		1 st	2 st	3 st	R
Taian	T	RH	U	0.35	Beijing	U	RH	T	0.23
Puyang	T	BLH	RH	0.50	Tianjing	U	T	RH	0.32
Rizhao	U	V	T	0.46	Baoding	U	RH	TP	0.27
Jining	RH	T	V	0.54	Lanfang	U	T	V	0.23
Xinxiang	U	RH	V	0.41	Shijiazhuang	RH	BLH	U	0.27
Jiaozuo	T	RH	U	0.39	Handan	RH	V	BLH	0.20
Heze	RH	T	V	0.47	Qinghuangdao	V	U	RH	0.32
Linyi	RH	U	TP	0.40	Cangzhou	BLH	T	MSLP	0.28
Kaifeng	RH	U	T	0.49	Xingtai	RH	BLH	U	0.17
Zhengzhou	BLH	RH	U	0.47	Hengshui	T	V	RH	0.28
Luoyang	BLH	RH	V	0.16	Tangshan	U	V	RH	0.20
Zaozhuang	RH	T	U	0.46	Jinan	V	BLH	RH	0.59
Lianyungang	RH	V850	U	0.37	Qingdao	V	BLH	RH	0.26
Shangqiu	RH	T	V	0.48	Zibo	V	BLH	RH	0.59
Xuzhou	RH	BLH	V	0.48	Dongying	U	V	V850	0.36
Xuchang	BLH	RH	U	0.53	Yantai	V	BLH	U	0.33
Suqian	RH	T	MSLP	0.40	Weifang	BLH	T	U	0.34
Huaibei	RH	U	BLH	0.59	Weihai	RH	U	MSLP	0.36
Pingdingshan	BLH	RH	U	0.57	Dezhou	RH	V	BLH	0.40
Bozhou	RH	V	T	0.49	Liaocheng	BLH	V	RH	0.48
Zhoukou	RH	U	T	0.49	Binzhou	BLH	T	V	0.23
Luohe	RH	U	MSLP	0.45	Shaoxing	RH	BLH	T	0.59
Suzhou	RH	U	BLH	0.50	Jinhua	RH	TP	V	0.60
Huaian	RH	V	TP	0.42	Taizhou	V	RH	U	0.54
Yancheng	V	RH	BLH	0.37	Ningbo	RH	V	TP	0.48
Nanyang	RH	U	BLH	0.67	Wuhan	RH	V	BLH	0.61
Zhumadian	RH	TP	BLH	0.52	Changsha	RH	V	BLH	0.71
Fuyang	RH	V	U	0.64	Jingzhou	RH	V	BLH	0.55
Bengbu	RH	BLH	U	0.36	Yueyang	RH	BLH	V	0.60
Huainan	RH	BLH	U	0.56	Zhuzhou	RH	V	BLH	0.73
Xinyang	RH	TP	T	0.63	Xiangtan	RH	V	BLH	0.72
Suizhou	RH	BLH	U	0.63	Yichang	RH	U	V850	0.64
Shanghai	RH	V	TP	0.55	Yiyang	RH	V	BLH	0.67
Nanjing	V	RH	T	0.40	Changde	V	BLH	RH	0.59
Wuxi	RH	V	BLH	0.57	Jingmen	V	RH	U	0.63
Changzhou	V	RH	TP	0.49	Huangshi	RH	U	V850	0.72
Suzhou	RH	V	T	0.52	Huanggang	RH	U	V850	0.77
Nantong	V	RH	U	0.62	Xianning	RH	U	MSLP	0.74
Yangzhou	V	RH	T	0.52	Xiaogan	RH	V850	BLH	0.68
Zhenjiang	V	RH	T	0.55	Quzhou	V	RH	U	0.68
Taizhou	V	RH	T	0.59	Lishui	RH	V	T	0.70
Luan	RH	V	T	0.24	Wenzhou	RH	V	U	0.63
Hangzhou	RH	V	BLH	0.53	Jiujiang	V	RH	MSLP	0.58
Jiaxing	RH	V	T	0.45	Nanchang	V	RH	V850	0.67

Huzhou	V	RH	U	0.61	Jingdezhen	BLH	V850	T	0.59
Hefei	RH	TP	V	0.37	Shangrao	V850	BLH	RH	0.65
Wuhu	V	TP	U	0.46	Yingtian	BLH	V850	RH	0.64
Maanshan	V	U	TP	0.45	Yichun	V850	U	T	0.63
Tonglin	V	T	TP	0.50	Fuzhou	RH	V	BLH	0.72
Anqing	V	T	TP	0.56	Jian	BLH	U	RH	0.57
Chuzhou	RH	V	BLH	0.44	Xinyu	BLH	V	U	0.62
Chizhou	RH	V	BLH	0.47	Pingxiang	V850	BLH	T	0.61
Xuancheng	T	RH	U	0.27	-	-	-	-	-

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Table S3. Meteorological drivers of 98% O₃ percentile and Pearson correlation coefficient between observed and modeled 98% O₃ percentile in each city of eastern China during May–September 2017–2022

	Meteorological variable					Meteorological variable			
	1 st	2 st	3 st	R		1 st	2 st	3 st	R
Taian	T	TP	TCC	0.71	Beijing	MSLP	BLH	V	0.30
Puyang	T	V850	TP	0.79	Tianjing	V	MSLP	BLH	0.27
Rizhao	T	U	TCC	0.67	Baoding	MSLP	V	BLH	0.28
Jining	T	TP	V850	0.77	Lanfang	MSLP	BLH	V	0.32
Xinxiang	T	TCC	BLH	0.74	Shijiazhuang	MSLP	BLH	V	0.24
Jiaozuo	T	TP	TCC	0.81	Handan	T	MSLP	U	0.31
Heze	T	V850	TP	0.78	Qinghuangdao	TCC	U	MSLP	0.36
Linyi	T	TP	TCC	0.73	Cangzhou	V	BLH	MSLP	0.35
Kaifeng	T	V850	TP	0.78	Xingtai	MSLP	BLH	V	0.25
Zhengzhou	T	V850	TP	0.78	Hengshui	V	MSLP	BLH	0.38
Luoyang	U	TCC	V	0.28	Tangshan	TCC	MSLP	T	0.27
Zaozhuang	T	TP	TCC	0.81	Jinan	T	TP	V850	0.77
Lianyungang	TCC	U	TP	0.68	Qingdao	U	BLH	RH	0.45
Shangqiu	T	TP	V850	0.71	Zibo	T	TP	V850	0.70
Xuzhou	T	TCC	TP	0.74	Dongying	T	RH	V	0.66
Xuchang	T	V850	TCC	0.70	Yantai	U	T	RH	0.44
Suqian	RH	TCC	TP	0.74	Weifang	T	TP	U	0.68
Huaibei	TCC	T	TP	0.74	Weihai	U	T	RH	0.44
Pingdingshan	T	V850	U	0.66	Dezhou	T	TP	V850	0.75
Bozhou	TCC	T	TP	0.67	Liaocheng	T	V850	TP	0.77
Zhoukou	T	TCC	RH	0.73	Binzhou	T	TP	V	0.66
Luohe	T	V850	RH	0.75	Shaoxing	T	V	TP	0.66
Suzhou	TCC	T	TP	0.71	Jinhua	T	V	TP	0.59
Huaian	T	TCC	TP	0.72	Taizhou	U	V	T	0.62
Yancheng	TP	V850	U	0.56	Ningbo	T	V	U	0.69
Nanyang	T	TCC	RH	0.74	Wuhan	TCC	RH	V850	0.75
Zhumadian	TCC	BLH	TP	0.67	Changsha	RH	TCC	V	0.76
Fuyang	RH	TCC	MSLP	0.74	Jingzhou	RH	V850	T	0.84
Bengbu	T	TCC	TP	0.72	Yueyang	RH	TCC	U	0.82
Huainan	TCC	RH	MSLP	0.68	Zhuzhou	RH	V	T	0.73
Xinyang	RH	TCC	U	0.74	Xiangtan	RH	V	TCC	0.78
Suizhou	RH	TCC	MSLP	0.75	Yichang	RH	TCC	V850	0.79
Shanghai	T	U	RH	0.72	Yiyang	RH	TCC	V850	0.80
Nanjing	TCC	V850	V	0.61	Changde	TCC	V850	T	0.74
Wuxi	TP	TCC	U	0.66	Jingmen	RH	V850	T	0.76
Changzhou	TCC	TP	BLH	0.60	Huangshi	RH	TCC	V	0.76
Suzhou	T	TP	U	0.63	Huanggang	TCC	RH	U	0.72
Nantong	T	RH	BLH	0.75	Xianning	RH	V850	T	0.80
Yangzhou	TCC	TP	V850	0.61	Xiaogan	RH	TCC	U	0.72
Zhenjiang	TCC	TP	MSLP	0.61	Quzhou	RH	V850	T	0.74
Taizhou	TCC	V850	U	0.61	Lishui	RH	U	V	0.65
Luan	TCC	MSLP	T	0.61	Wenzhou	U	RH	V	0.65
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Hefei	TCC	TP	V	0.59	Shangrao	TCC	V850	T	0.76
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Xuancheng	TCC	V	MSLP	0.58	-	-	-	-	-

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