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Weather-associated index service

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Outline

- 1、 Brief introduction of the weather-associated index
- 2、 Approach of the probabilistic weather forecast products used for weather-associated index

Weather index information

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北京气象指数信息源

- Air quality
- Morning exercise
- Clothes drying
- Comfort
- Climbing mountain
- Flower blooming
- Fishing
- Negative ions
- Beer
- Ice cream
- Boating
- Skiing
- Wind chill
- Cloth heat isolation
- UV index
- Mildew

Spring

春季

空气污染条件
晨练指数
晒衣指数
舒适度指数
晒太阳指数
穿衣指数
登山指数
医疗气象
钓鱼指数
花期预报
划船指数
洗车指数
负离子指数
啤酒与冷饮

Summer

夏季

空气污染条件
霉变指数
晒衣指数
舒适度指数
紫外线指数
啤酒与冷饮
登山指数
中暑指数
钓鱼指数
游泳指数
划船指数
洗车指数
负离子指数
空调开启

Autumn

秋季

空气污染条件
红叶观赏
穿衣指数
舒适度指数
紫外线指数
啤酒与冷饮
登山指数
花期预报
钓鱼指数
游泳指数
划船指数
洗车指数
负离子指数
高空作业

Winter

冬季

空气污染条件
晨练指数
滑冰指数
风寒指数
晒太阳指数
穿衣指数
登山指数
医疗气象
冬泳指数
商场客流量
划船指数
洗车指数
负离子指数
水泥冻害

北京气象指数信息源



the weather-associated daily life index in Shanghai

- Thermal index(comfortable index/ Perceived Temperature)
- UV index
- Common cold index
- Fire hazard index
- Skin moisture index
- Beer index
- Ice cream index
- Morning exercise index
- Heat stroke index
- Pollen index
- Cloth insulation index
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Met. Parameters used for weather-associated index

- Cloud cover: (0: sunny、1: cloudy、2: overcast、3: rainy)
- Temperature
- Wind speed/Wind direction
- Relative humidity
- Precipitation probability
- Visibility

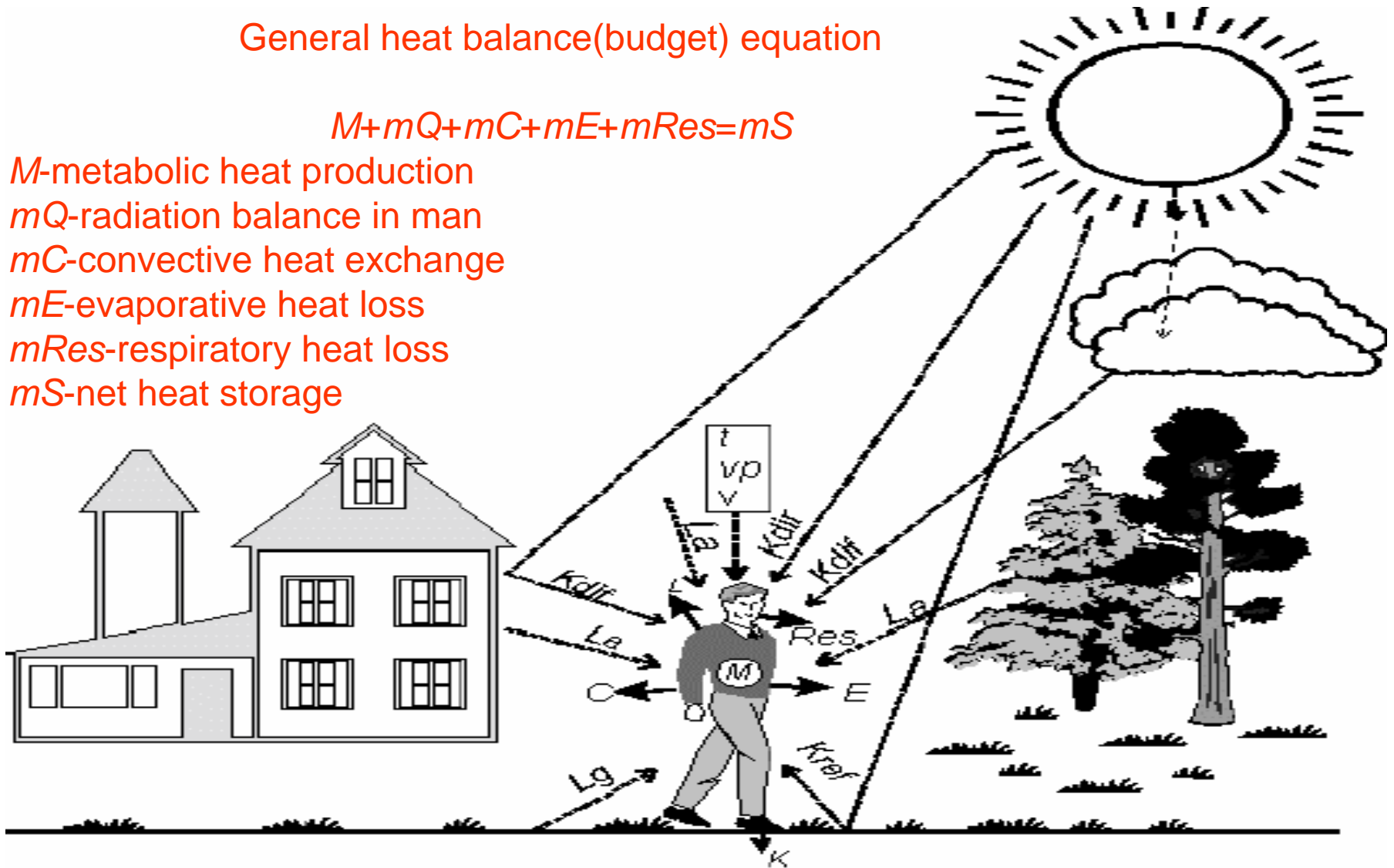


- Thermal index (Perceived Temperature, comfortable index)

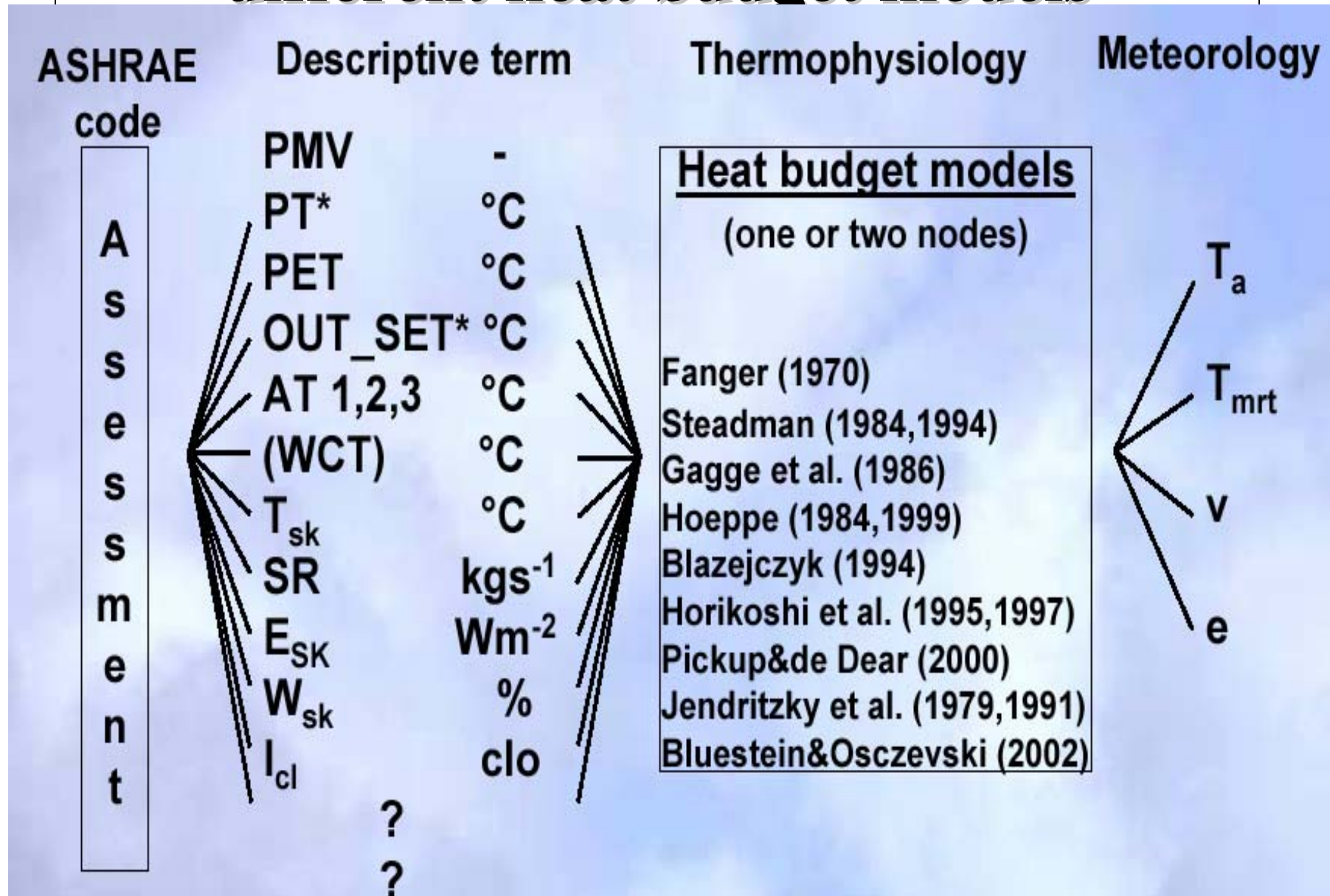
General heat balance(budget) equation

$$M+mQ+mC+mE+mRes=mS$$

M-metabolic heat production
mQ-radiation balance in man
mC-convective heat exchange
mE-evaporative heat loss
mRes-respiratory heat loss
mS-net heat storage



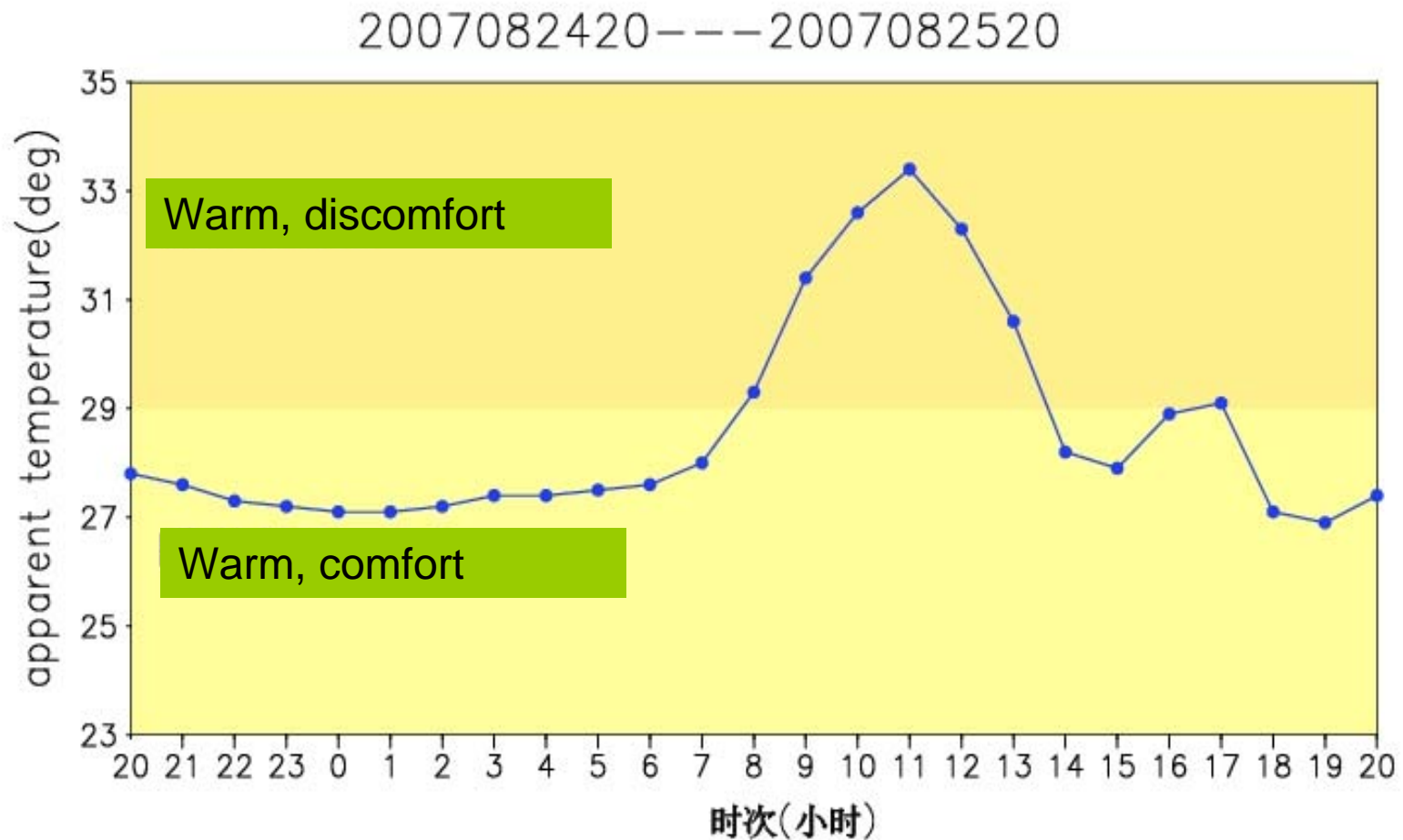
Thermal index derived from the different heat budget models





Perceived temperature and comfortable index

Perceived temperature forecast derived from **Human and environment heat budget model and NWP**





Heat stress index

NOAA's National Weather Service Heat Index

Temperature (°F)

		80	82	84	86	88	90	92	94	96	98	100	102	104	106	108	110	
Relative Humidity (%)	40	80	81	83	85	88	91	94	97	101	105	109	114	119	124	130	136	
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	100	87	95	103	112	121	132											

Likelihood of Heat Disorders with Prolonged Exposure or Strenuous Activity

■ Caution ■ Extreme Caution ■ Danger ■ Extreme Danger



$$\text{HI} = -42.379 + 2.04901523T + 10.14333127R - 0.22475541TR - 6.83783 \times 10^{-3} T^2 - 5.481717 \times 10^{-2} R^2 + 1.22874 \times 10^{-3} T^2 R + 8.5282 \times 10^{-4} TR^2 - 1.99 \times 10^{-6} T^2 R^2$$

where

T = ambient dry bulb temperature degrees Fahrenheit

R = relative humidity

Category	Heat Index	Possible heat disorders for people in high risk groups
Extreme Danger	130° F or higher (54° C or higher)	Heat stroke or sunstroke likely.
Danger	105 - 129° F (41 - 54° C)	Sunstroke, muscle cramps, and/or heat exhaustion likely. Heatstroke possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity.
Extreme Caution	90 - 105° F (32 - 41° C)	Sunstroke, muscle cramps, and/or heat exhaustion possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity.
Caution	80 - 90° F (27 - 32° C)	Fatigue possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity.



Heat stress index

Australia

Apparent temperature (AT) from temperature and relative humidity - after Steadman 1994

Temperature (°C)

Relative Humidity (%)	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
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AT above 50°C



Three- to seven-day forecast of mean heat index for Dallas, Texas, USA

Mean heat index		Thursday OCT 03 82 °F	Friday OCT 04 82 °F	Saturday OCT 05 76 °F	Sunday OCT 06 70 °F	Monday OCT 07 69 °F
Probability of mean heat index exceeding	100 °F	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	95 °F	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	90 °F	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	85 °F	20%	22%	2%	0%	0%
	80 °F	69%	68%	21%	0%	0%
	75 °F	94%	94%	62%	15%	7%
	70 °F	100%	100%	91%	48%	40%

Source: National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (http://www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/heat_index.shtml, accessed 29 October 2003).



Wind chill temperature

WCT(°C) represents the coldness and risk outside door in winter

$$WCT = 13.12 + 0.6215 t - 11.37 (1.5 v)^{0.16} + 0.3965 t (1.5 v)^{0.16}$$

WCT (°C)	Description	Health concern
> -10	Low	Slight increase in discomfort
-10 ~ -25	Moderate	Uncomfortable exposed skin feels cold, risk of hypothermia without adequate protection
-25 ~ -45	Cold	Risk of frostbite, check face and extremities (e.g. toes, ears) for numbness or whiteness, risk of hypothermia
-45 ~ -60	Very cold	Warning level, exposed skin freeze in minutes, serious risk of hypothermia
<-60	Extreme cold	Danger level, outdoor conditions are hazardous, exposed skin freezes in two minutes



Clothing insulation index(I_{cl}, clo)

$$-30^{\circ} \text{ C} < t < 25^{\circ} \text{ C} \quad I_{cl} = 2.1455 - 0.0618 t$$

$$t < -30^{\circ} \text{ C} \quad I_{cl} = 4.0$$

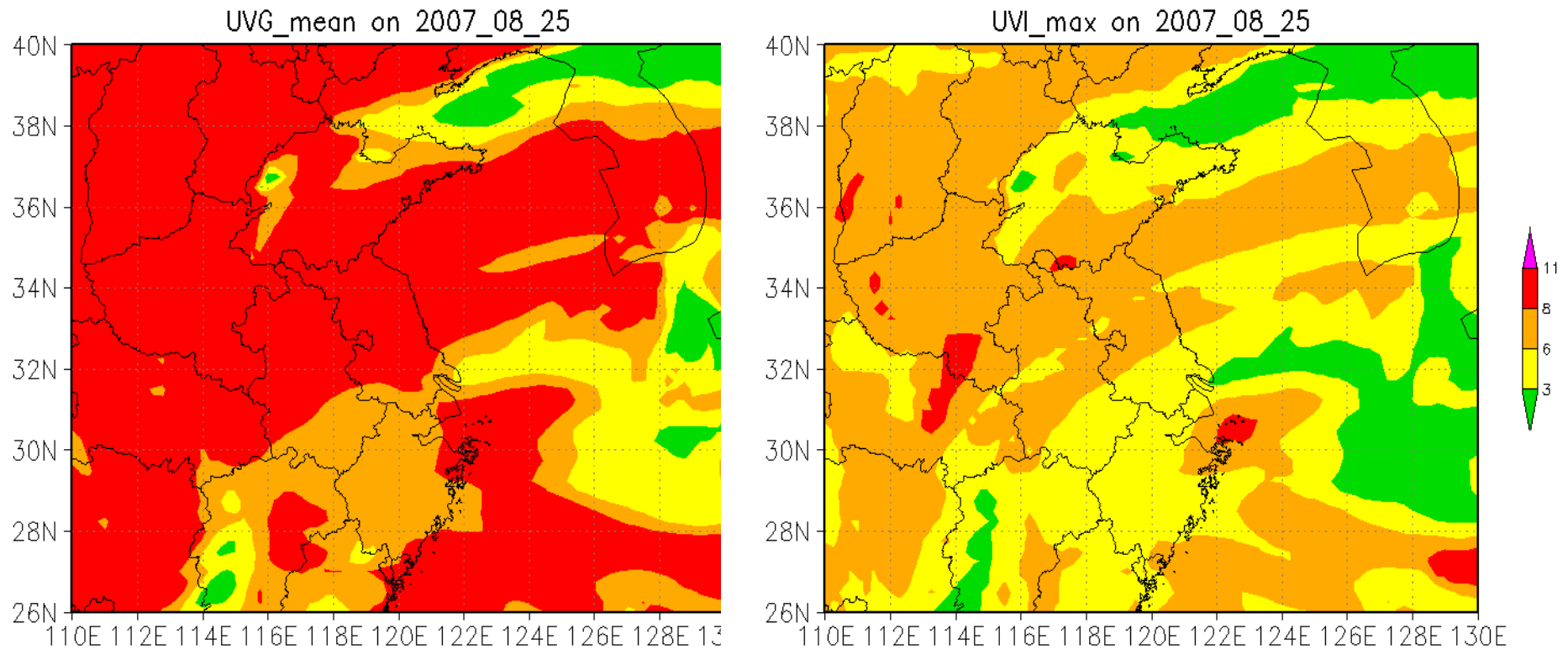
$$t > 25^{\circ} \text{ C} \quad I_{cl} = 0.6$$



UV index

GRAPES—UV model output

UV index is largely depended on cloud cover





Fire hazard index

- Fire hazard index_ a index represents the occurrence probability of catch fire

score \	5	4	3	2	1
Temperature(°C)		≥ 34 ≤ -4	22—34 -4—10	10—22	
Wind(m/s)		≥ 10	3-9	<3	
RH(%)	≤ 30	30-50	50-75	75-90	>90
Weather phenomena		Sunny	Cloudy	Overcast	Rain

Level	Score	The probability of catch fire
5	17	>40%
4	13-16	30-40%
3	11-12	15%-30%
2	8-10	8%-15%
1	≤ 7	>8%



Common cold index

_an index represents the human's probability of catching cold.

it is associated with the variation of temperature(T), wind speed(W), humidity(H) and rain probability(P).

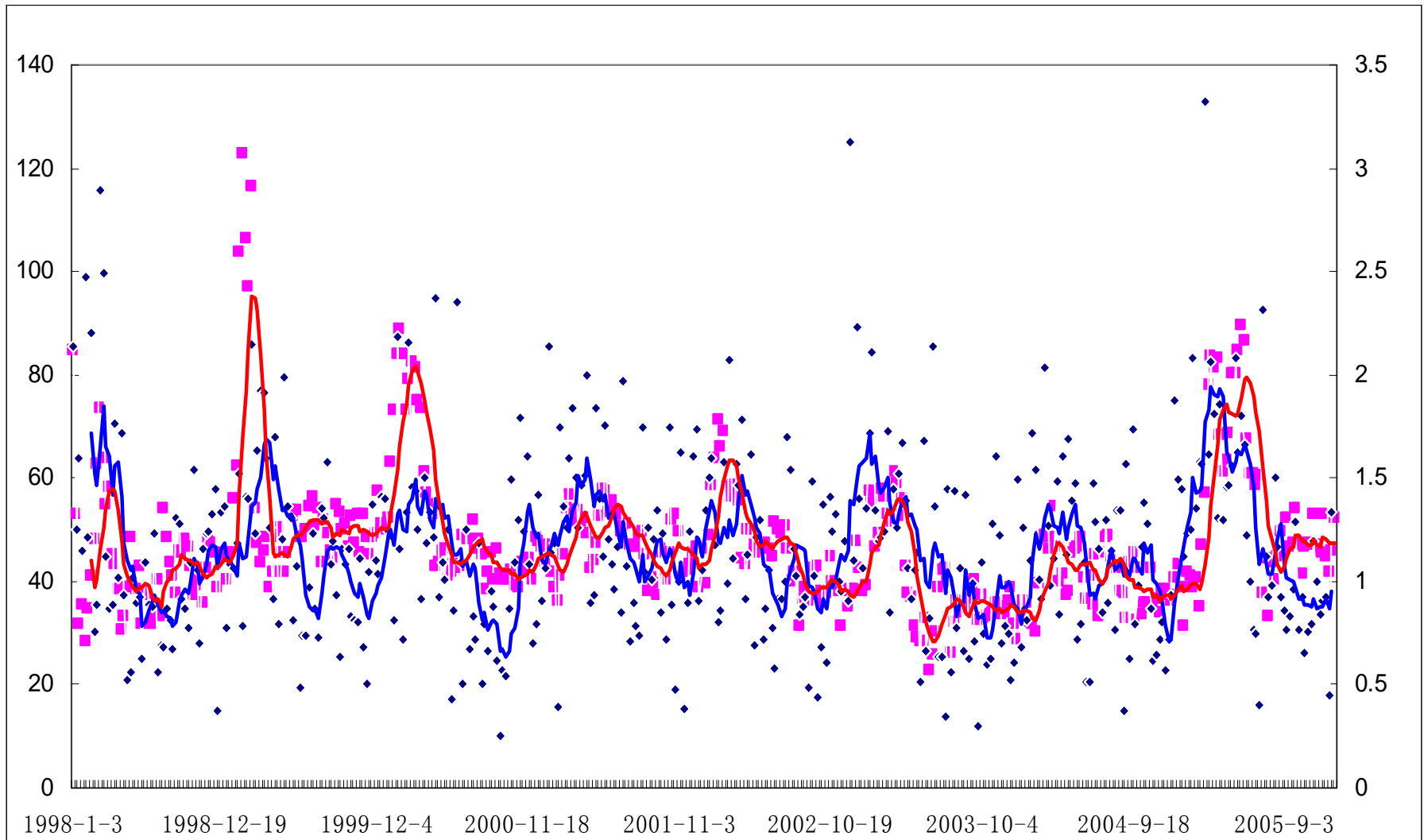
$$\lambda = \alpha * W * H * T$$

Where, when the rain probability(P) $\geq 80\%$ and next day's probability(P) $P < 50\%$ 时, $\alpha = 1$, otherwise, $\alpha = 0.5$

α	level	probability of catching cold
0	4	safety
(0,1]	3	Low probability
(1,10]	2	Medium probability
>10	1	High probability



Flu epidemic early warning



(red line:influenza cases, blue line- temperature variation)



Skin wetness index

SWI index represents the wetness of skin surface,
it is associated with the variation of temperature(T), wind speed(W),
humidity(H).

$$SWI = (\beta * (T + 5) + \gamma * W) / H * 0.8$$

· When $T \leq 0^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\beta = 2$, $\gamma = 1$

· $0^{\circ}\text{C} < T \leq 5^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\beta = 0.5$, $\gamma = 1$

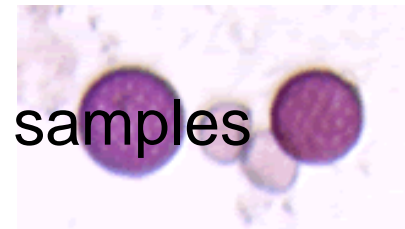
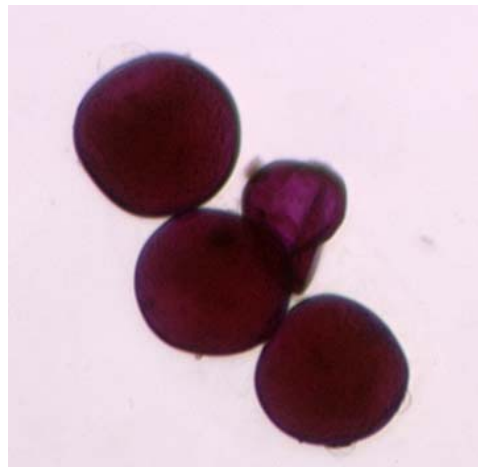
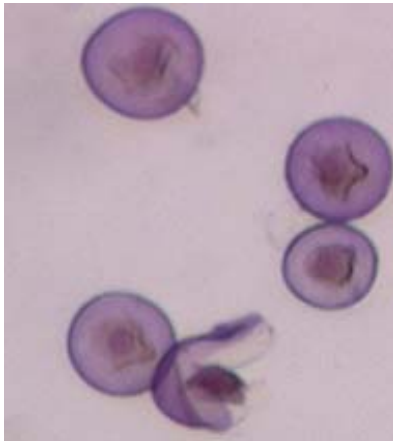
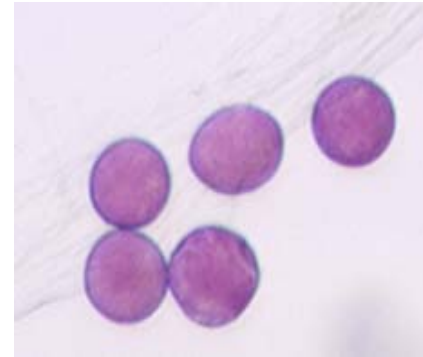
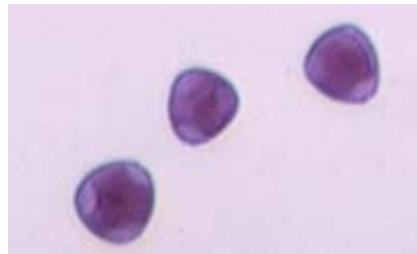
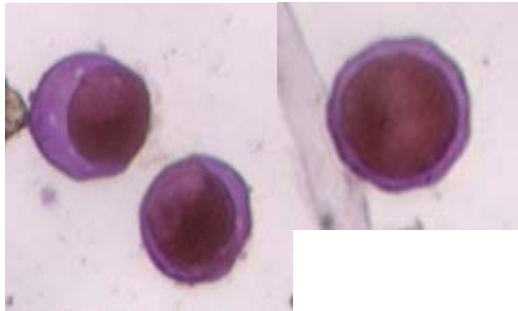
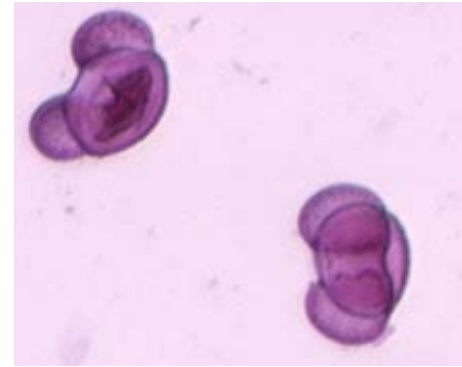
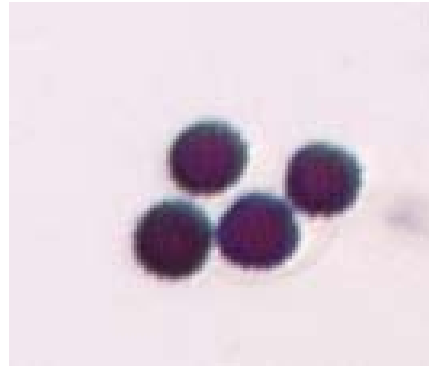
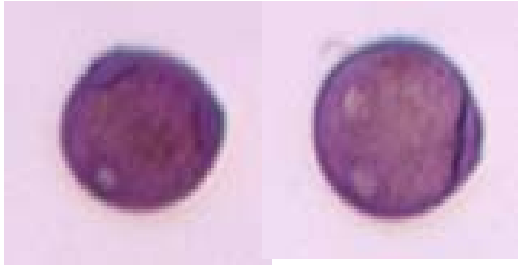
· $5^{\circ}\text{C} < T \leq 10^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\beta = 0.2$, $\gamma = 0.7$

· $T > 10^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\beta = 0.2$, $\gamma = 0.1$

SWI	level	Skin moisture status
>20	1	Dry
(10,20]	2	Little dry
(5,10]	3	Little wet
<5	4	wet



Pollen index: represents the (high, medium, low) level of pollen counts



Pollen samples



Approach of the probabilistic weather forecast products used for the weather-associated index.

1、 Special application model merged with NWP model

i.e. UV index: radiation transfer model + NWP model

Perceived temperature: Human budget model + NWP model

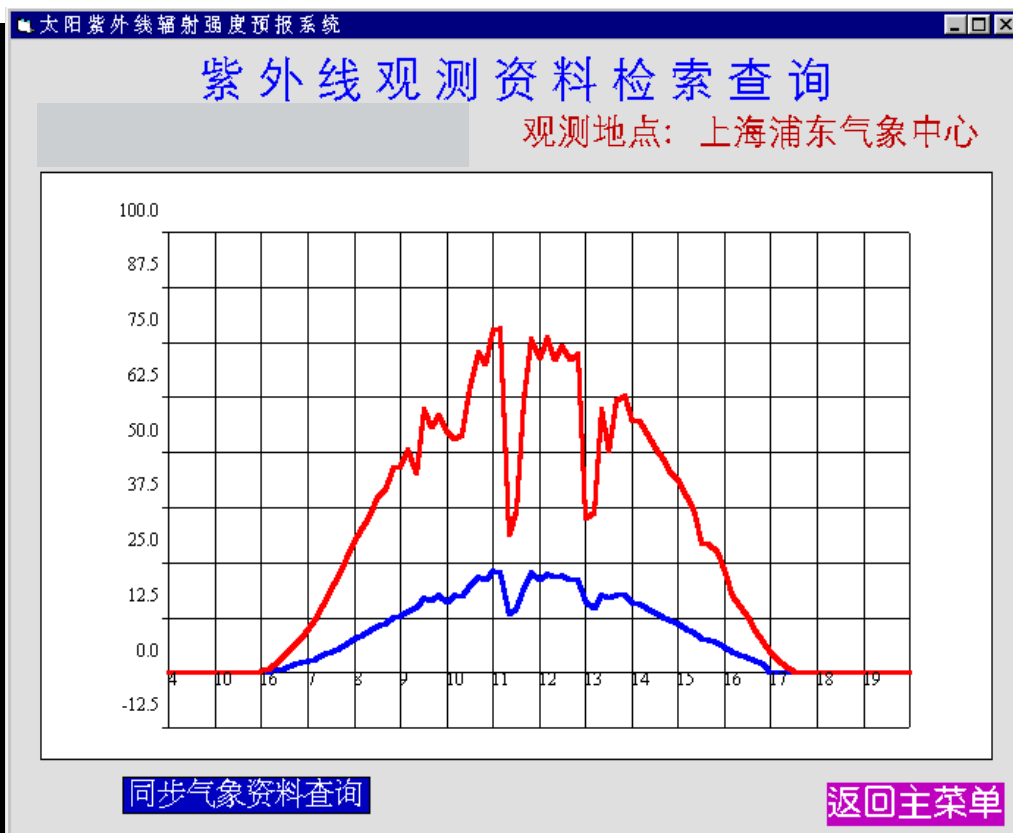
2、 Simple index based on the meteorological parameters

i.e. umbrella index, morning exercise index





UV measurements





Q: How to verify accuracy of the weather-associated daily life index

1. The outcome can be measured, such as UVR. Pollen count.
2. The outcome can be represented by occurrence probability of the event which can be investigated, such as hospital visit probability.
3. The outcome cannot be verified, such as morning exercise index.



Thank you for your attention!