

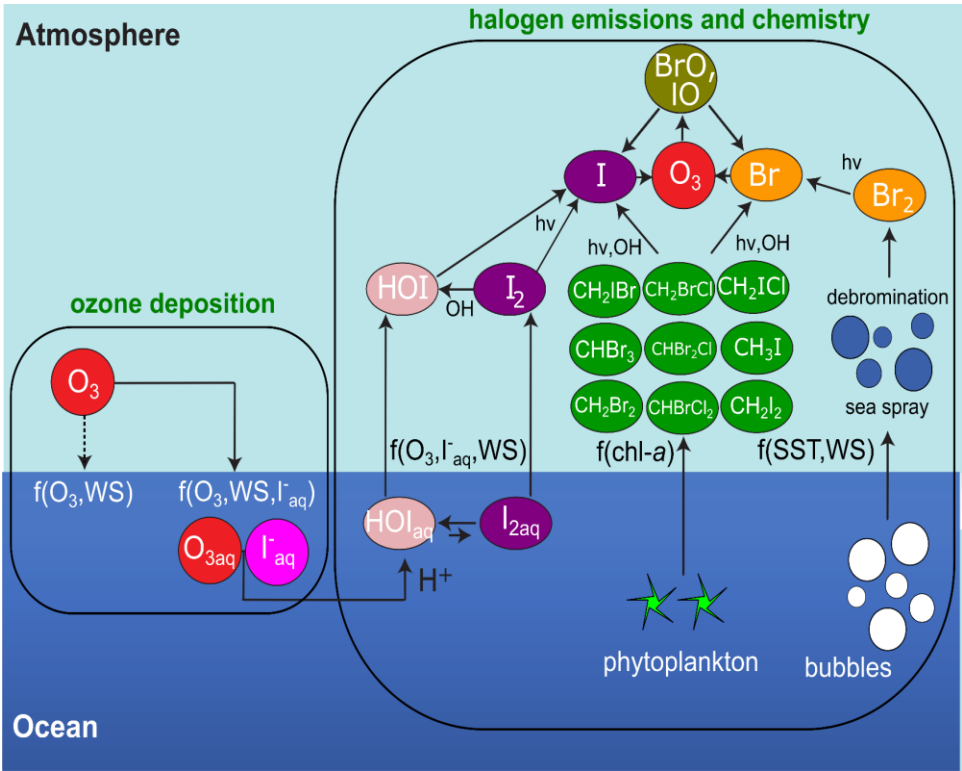
1 **Impact of enhanced ozone deposition and halogen chemistry on tropospheric ozone over**
2 **the Northern Hemisphere**

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ABSTRACT

Fate of ozone in marine environments has been receiving increased attention due to the tightening of ambient air quality standards. The role of deposition and halogen chemistry is examined through incorporation of an enhanced ozone deposition algorithm and inclusion of halogen chemistry in a comprehensive atmospheric modeling system. The enhanced ozone deposition treatment accounts for the interaction of iodide in seawater with ozone and increases deposition velocities by an order of magnitude. Halogen chemistry includes detailed chemical reactions of organic and inorganic bromine and iodine species. Two different simulations are completed with the halogen chemistry: without and with photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides. Enhanced deposition reduces mean summertime surface ozone by ~3% over marine regions in the Northern Hemisphere. Halogen chemistry without the photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides reduces ozone by ~15% while simulations with the photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides indicate ozone reductions of ~48%. Model without these processes over-predicts ozone compared to observations while the inclusion these processes improves predictions. The inclusion of photochemical reactions for higher iodine oxides leads to ozone predictions that are lower than observations, underscoring the need for further refinement of the halogen emissions and chemistry scheme in the model.

Keywords: ozone, ozone deposition, halogen, iodine, bromine

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Ozone (O₃) has been linked to adverse effects on human health¹ and ecosystems.² To mitigate these effects, air quality standards have been periodically revised which has led to the tightening of ambient air quality standards for O₃. The tightened ambient air quality standards make the determination of background O₃ levels more important. Background levels of O₃ are affected by mixing ratios over the ocean, which are influenced greatly by the chemicals present in the sea surface microlayer. These chemical compounds can be emitted to the atmosphere and affect atmospheric chemistry and can also serve as a chemical sink to enhance deposition to the seawater surface. Studies have suggested that O₃ deposition over seawater is highly variable due to variations in atmospheric O₃ mixing ratio and deposition velocity (flux/mixing ratio), with reported deposition velocities ranging from 0.009 to ~0.27 cm s⁻¹.³⁻⁴ The deposition velocity over seawater is dependent on a number of factors including the atmospheric turbulence and the chemical composition of the seawater. While several compounds in seawater can interact with O₃⁵⁻⁷ and the presence of other compounds can affect such interactions⁸, there is still much uncertainty in modeling these interactions. Considerably more consensus has been reached on the interaction between O₃ and iodide in the seawater. Developing reliable spatial distributions of iodide concentrations in seawater is key and concentrations have been estimated using various proxies, including chlorophyll-*a* (chl-*a*)⁹, nitrate¹⁰, and sea surface temperature (SST)^{10,11}. Several models of the enhanced deposition of O₃ over sea water have been proposed ranging from complex approaches such as that of Fairall et al.¹² to more simple approaches such as that of Chang et al.⁵. Oh et al.⁹ employed the simple approach of Chang et al.⁵ and linked O₃ dry deposition velocities to satellite-derived chl-*a* concentrations and reported a maximum surface O₃ decrease of 2.5 ppbv offshore of Galveston, Texas. While the Oh et al.⁹ study suggests

enhanced deposition of O_3 over sea-water can affect atmospheric O_3 in areas of the Gulf of Mexico, little is known about its importance in other coastal areas.

Although several studies have postulated that bromine and iodine emitted from the ocean impact atmospheric chemistry¹³⁻¹⁵, recent measurements of speciated halogen species with advanced instrumentation have confirmed the presence of an oceanic halogen emission source¹⁶⁻²⁰. The sea-air flux and associated chemistry of bromine- and iodine-containing compounds affects new particle formation, mercury cycling, oxidative capacity, and O_3 mixing ratio of the marine atmosphere.^{17, 21-23} These halogen species undergo photolysis and react with oxidants to release iodine or bromine, which can then catalytically react with O_3 to reduce its levels in the marine atmosphere. With the increasing focus on background O_3 levels, marine halogen sources/chemistry have been the subject of several recent laboratory, field, and modeling studies.²⁴⁻³⁸ Laboratory studies report that the reactions of O_3 and marine aerosols can release halogens^{24, 27} and water surface properties can also affect these reactions^{26, 28}. While the reaction of O_3 with bromide is generally low³⁹, some studies reveal the possibility of a surface-mediated reaction that can enhance the reaction rate leading to the loss of O_3 and release of gaseous bromine^{24, 25, 28}.

In recent years, several modeling studies have attempted to represent marine halogen emission sources and atmospheric chemistry with increasing levels of complexity. Beginning with the one dimensional modeling work of halogen chemistry in the atmosphere²⁹⁻³⁰, various marine emission sources such as halocarbons³¹⁻³², sea spray aerosol (SSA) bromine³³, and iodine/hypoiodous acid¹¹ and chemical reactions such as photolysis of higher iodine oxides³⁴

have been implemented into global chemical transport models. Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁵ found that tropospheric O₃ loss due to marine halogen emissions can have a climatically-relevant radiative impact while Parrella et al.³⁶ postulate that the inclusion of bromine chemistry improves model prediction of pre-industrial O₃ observations and leads to differential mercury lifetimes in pre-industrial and present-day conditions. Long et al.³⁷ report that bromine activated from SSA reduces marine boundary layer O₃ by >20% over most of the tropics and >75% over the Southern Ocean. Despite the demonstrated impact of enhanced deposition of O₃ over seawater and marine halogen emissions/chemistry on O₃ mixing ratios, these processes are currently not accounted for in most regional air quality models. The reaction between O₃ and dissolved iodide in seawater not only decreases atmospheric O₃ but also generates halogen emissions that activate the atmospheric chemistry of reactive halogens. The loss of atmospheric O₃ due to the reaction of O₃ and dissolved iodide in seawater is modeled using enhanced deposition velocity. In this study, we quantify the impact of enhanced O₃ deposition and marine halogen emissions and chemistry on tropospheric O₃ mixing ratios over the Northern Hemisphere.

2.0 METHODOLOGY

2.1 Model description

The Community Multiscale Air Quality (CMAQ) modeling system is a comprehensive regional air quality model accounting for interactions among major atmospheric processes.⁴⁰ Many studies have employed the regional CMAQ model and demonstrated its skill in simulating ambient pollutants.⁴¹⁻⁴⁴ Mathur et al.⁴⁵⁻⁴⁶ recently extended the model capabilities for applications to the Northern Hemisphere. Sarwar et al.⁴⁷ applied the hemispheric CMAQ model for examining the impacts of heterogeneous nitryl chloride chemistry in the Northern Hemisphere

while Xing et al.⁴⁸ used the model for evaluating air quality trends. Here, we employ the on-line hemispheric CMAQ model using a horizontal resolution of 108-km and 44 vertical layers.⁴⁸ The CB05TUCI chemical mechanism⁴² which integrates chlorine chemistry with the Carbon Bond mechanism was used. Emissions inputs are described in Sarwar et al.⁴⁷ and meteorological fields are detailed in Xing et al.⁴⁸. In the following sections, we describe the model implementation of enhanced O₃ deposition (section 2.2), halogen chemistry (section 2.3), and halogen emissions (section 2.4).

2.2 Deposition of species

CMAQ accounts for both the dry and wet deposition of model species, and these treatments have been described in Byun et al.⁴⁰ These deposition approaches have been updated to include the necessary parameters for modeling the loss of bromine and iodine species (section 2.3). Here we focus on updates to the deposition of O₃.

The deposition velocity (v_d) for gas species is parameterized in CMAQ using the familiar resistance analogy⁴⁹:

$$v_d = (R_a + R_b + R_s)^{-1} \quad (1)$$

where the aerodynamic resistance (R_a) accounts for atmospheric turbulence, the boundary layer resistance (R_b) represents diffusion across the quasi-laminar near-surface layer, and the surface resistance (R_s) accounts for the uptake by the surface. In CMAQ, the R_s for water surfaces is calculated as^{12, 50}:

$$R_s = \left(\frac{S_c}{Pr}\right)^{2/3} \left((H_{eff})(k)(\rho_a/\rho_w)^{0.5}(u_*)\right)^{-1} \quad (2)$$

where S_c = Schmidt number (unitless), Pr = Prandtl number (unitless), H_{eff} = dimensionless effective Henry's Law constant (ratio of aqueous to gas phase), k = von Karman constant (0.4), ρ_a = density of air (g cm^{-3}), ρ_w = density of water (g cm^{-3}) and u^* = friction velocity (m s^{-1}). The v_d value obtained using equations (1) and (2) is referred here as the standard deposition velocity and is used for most chemical species.

We revised the standard deposition velocity calculation to account for the enhanced deposition of O_3 due to the reaction with iodide in seawater. Similar to the work by Oh et al.⁹, we implemented the approach of Chang et al.⁵. In this parameterization, R_s over seawater is calculated as:

$$R_s = \frac{1}{H_{eff}(ak_w + (\lambda D)^{1/2})} = \frac{1}{pk_w + q} \quad (3)$$

where k_w = gas transfer velocity (m s^{-1}), a = chemical enhancement factor, $(\lambda D)^{1/2}$ = chemical loss of O_3 , $p = (a)(H_{eff}) = 1.75$, and $q = (\lambda D)^{1/2} (H_{eff})$. The values for k_w and q are calculated as:

$$k_w = \frac{k(\rho_a/\rho_w)^{0.5}(u^*)}{(\frac{S_c}{Pr})^{2/3}} \quad (4)$$

$$q = [(k_i)(C_i)(d_w)]^{0.5}(H_{eff}) \quad (5)$$

where k_i is the second-order kinetic rate constant, C_i = concentrations of iodide in seawater [calculated using equation (9)], and d_w = diffusion coefficient of O_3 in water ($\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$). Magi et al.⁵¹ reported a temperature dependent k_i ranging from 3.2×10^8 to 2.4×10^9 for a temperature range of 276-293 K that increases with increasing water temperature. We have used a constant value of 2.0×10^9 in our study⁵². Thus, our simulated impacts of enhanced O_3 deposition at lower water temperature will be somewhat greater than the real impacts. Similarly, simulated impacts of enhanced O_3 deposition at higher water temperature will be lower than the real impacts. The v_d value obtained using equations (1) and (3) is referred here as the enhanced deposition velocity.

Values of R_a and R_b are determined using the same procedures in standard and enhanced deposition velocity calculations.

CMAQ-derived standard O_3 deposition velocities over seawater are less than 0.01 cm s^{-1} while the enhanced O_3 deposition velocities generally range between 0.01 - 0.04 cm s^{-1} (Figure S.1). The median CMAQ-estimated standard and enhanced deposition velocities for O_3 over seawater are ~ 0.001 and 0.025 cm s^{-1} , respectively. Helmig et al.⁴ reported median O_3 deposition velocities over different seawater ranging from 0.009 to 0.27 cm s^{-1} ; therefore, the enhanced deposition velocities agree better with observations than the standard deposition velocities. However, further increases are needed for improving the agreement with observed deposition velocities.

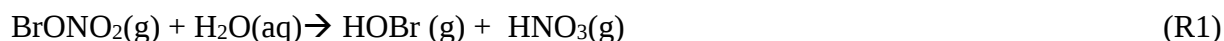
2.3 Halogen chemistry

Several investigators have examined the role of bromine chemistry on O_3 .^{32-33, 36, 53} We use the Yang et al.³³ bromine chemistry with 5 additional reactions to account for the interactions of BrO with ClO and with DMS and BrO^{32, 54}. A complete list of the bromine gas phase chemical reactions implemented in CMAQ can be found in Table S.1.

Numerous investigators have studied iodine chemistry^{32, 34, 55}, with Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁴ reporting a comprehensive mechanism of iodine gas phase chemical reactions, including photolysis of higher iodine oxides (I_2O_2 , I_2O_3 , and I_2O_4), listed in Table S.2. While previous studies⁵⁶⁻⁵⁷ suggested that higher iodine oxides impact aerosol formation, Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁴ found that they also play a role in atmospheric chemistry and included their photochemical reactions in a global model. The Saiz-Lopez et al. study included two sets of iodine chemistry: one set without the

photolysis of I₂O₂, I₂O₃, and I₂O₄ (lower limit) and the other set with the photolysis of I₂O₂, I₂O₃, and I₂O₄ (upper limit). We completed two different model simulations with the halogen chemistry similar to that of Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁴ without and with the photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides.

Yang et al.³³ considered heterogeneous hydrolysis of bromine nitrate (BrONO₂) on aerosols, which we also use (R1). We calculate the heterogeneous reaction rate of BrONO₂ using $k_{\text{BrONO}_2} = \frac{\gamma c A}{4}$, where γ = reactive uptake coefficient, c = mean molecular speed (m s⁻¹) (a function of temperature), and A = aerosol surface area (m² m⁻³). Consistent with Yang et al.³³, we used $\gamma = 0.3$ following the recommendation of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). The recent IUPAC⁵⁸ evaluation provides values of 0.15-1.0 for the uptake coefficient of BrONO₂ on liquid substrates.



2.4 Halogen emissions

Marine emissions of bromine- and iodine-containing compounds fall into three categories with distinct formation mechanisms: 1) halocarbons, 2) inorganic bromine, and 3) inorganic iodine. Halocarbons are produced in the ocean by phytoplankton and macroalgae and typically have elevated oceanic concentrations in regions of high biological activity.⁵⁹ Halocarbon emissions are adapted from the Community Atmosphere Model with Chemistry (CAM-Chem)³⁵ and the Comprehensive Air quality Model with extensions (CAMx).⁶⁰ The halocarbons include five bromocarbons (CHBr₃, CH₂Br₂, CH₂BrCl, CHBrCl₂, CHBr₂Cl) and four iodocarbons (CH₃I,

CH₂ICl, CH₂IBr, CH₂I₂) and their emissions are estimated using monthly-average climatological chl-*a* concentrations derived from the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) aboard the Aqua satellite (oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/cgi/l3) and projected to the polar stereographic coordinate system used in the hemispheric CMAQ model. For each halocarbon, the emission rate is calculated as:

$$E_{HC} = (O_F + S_F) \times A_{GC} \times 1.2 \times 10^{-11} \times f_{HC} \times f_{DP} \times chl-a \quad (6)$$

where E_{HC} = halocarbon emission rate (moles s⁻¹), O_F = open ocean zone fraction of the grid cell, S_F = surf zone fractions of the grid cell, A_{GC} = grid cell area (m²), 1.2×10^{-11} represents a base emission rate, f_{HC} = a species-dependent emission factor, and f_{DP} = a diurnal profile factor based on the grid cell local hour peaking at noon. Values of f_{HC} and f_{DP} from CAMx⁶⁰ are used.

Unlike halocarbons, which are directly emitted from the ocean surface, SSA are the source of the one inorganic bromine compound (Br₂).³³ Bromine depletion in SSA is acidity dependent and thought to be due to the uptake of gaseous HOBr⁶¹ or HOCl⁶² from the heterogeneous reaction of N₂O₅ on aerosol surfaces. We use the simplified treatment of bromine release from SSA³³ as:

$$P_{SSA} = (O_F + S_F) \times A_{GC} \times 0.965 \times 10^{-16} \times U_{10}^{3.41} \times (0.38 + 0.054 \times SSTC) \times \rho_{SSA} \quad (7)$$

$$E_{Br2} = 0.8624 \times P_{SSA} \times R_a \times DF / MW_{Br2} \quad (8)$$

where P_{SSA} = mass production of SSA with dry radius <10 μm (g s⁻¹), 0.965×10^{-16} represents total volume flux of SSA at a wind speed of 1 m s⁻¹ and relative humidity of 0%, U_{10} = 10-meter wind speed (m s⁻¹), $SSTC$ is the sea surface temperature in °C, ρ_{SSA} = dry SSA density (2.165×10^3 g m⁻³), E_{Br2} = Br₂ emission rate (moles s⁻¹), R_a = sea-salt Br/NaCl mass ratio (0.00223 g g⁻¹), DF = bromine depletion factor (0.5), and MW_{Br2} = molecular weight of Br₂. In CMAQ, NaCl

represents 86.24% of the SSA emissions; thus we use a factor of 0.8624 to calculate NaCl emissions. Spatially, Br₂ emissions are consistent with the distribution of SSA emissions, which are positively related to U₁₀ and SST in CMAQ as recently implemented by Gant et al.⁶³ Mahajan et al.⁶⁴ compared model predictions to observed halogen species over the Atlantic Ocean and reported that current iodine fluxes are inadequate to explain the observed IO levels and additional iodine sources are needed. McDonald et al.¹¹ developed a parameterization for estimating emissions of two inorganic iodine species (HOI and I₂) based on the surface mixing ratios of O₃ in the atmosphere, iodide concentration at the sea surface, and wind speed. This parameterization is based on the production of HOI and I₂ from the reaction of iodide and O₃ in the interfacial layer of the ocean surface.¹⁸ Following the global analysis from Chance et al.¹⁰, we follow the MacDonald et al.¹¹ approach to estimate I₂ and HOI emissions that are driven by sea surface iodide concentrations ($[I_{(aq)}^-]$) based on SST:

$$[I_{(aq)}] = 1.46 \times 10^6 \times \exp\left(\frac{-9134}{SST}\right) \quad (9)$$

$$E_{I_2} = (O_F + S_F) \times A_{GC} \times 1.16 \times 10^{-14} \times [O_3] \times \left(4.15 \times 10^5 \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{[I_{(aq)}]}}{ws} \right) - \left(\frac{20.6}{ws} \right) - 23600 \times \sqrt{[I_{(aq)}]} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$E_{HOI} = (O_F + S_F) \times A_{GC} \times 1.16 \times 10^{-14} \times [O_3] \times [I_{(aq)}]^{1.3} \times \left(1.74 \times 10^9 - (6.54 \times 10^8 \times \ln ws) \right) \quad (11)$$

where E_{HOI} = HOI emission rates (mole s⁻¹), E_{I_2} = I₂ emission rates (mole s⁻¹), [O₃] = surface O₃ mixing ratios (ppbv), and ws = wind speed (m s⁻¹). We also set a lower limit of 3 m s⁻¹ for wind speed following McDonald et al.¹¹.

Hemispheric halocarbons and inorganic halogen emissions estimates are shown in Table 1. Global halocarbon emissions can be calculated using publicly available global chl-*a* data. Using such data, we calculated global halocarbon emissions and compared to the values reported by others. Our global halocarbon emissions estimates compare well with values reported by Ordóñez et al.³² Calculation of global inorganic halogen emissions requires global wind speed, SST, and O₃ fields. Since our modeling domain only covers the Northern Hemisphere, we could not accurately estimate global emissions of Br₂, HOI, and I₂. Our extrapolated global Br₂ emissions estimate is likely to be greater than the estimate of Parrella et al.³⁶ but is similar to the higher estimate of Yang et al.³³. Our estimate accounts for the temperature effect on SSA; hence our Br₂ estimates extrapolated from the Northern Hemisphere during summertime conditions will be higher than those estimated without considering the temperature effect. Our Br₂ estimates are within the uncertainty factor of 4.0 for SSA sources.⁶⁵

Prados-Roman et al.⁶⁶ implemented the McDonald et al.¹¹ parameterization into the CAM-Chem model and reported an annual global inorganic iodine emissions estimate of ~1,900 Gg (I). Our extrapolated global inorganic iodine emissions are likely to be greater than this value due to different O₃, SST, wind-speed fields. CMAQ predicted surface O₃ mixing ratios are higher than those predicted by CAM-Chem. The surface layer height in CMAQ is ~20 meters and we use wind-speeds at 10-m for calculating inorganic iodine emissions. In contrast, the surface layer height in CAM-Chem is ~150 meter and Prados-Roman et al.⁶⁶ used CAM-Chem model first layer wind-speeds for calculating these emissions. Differences in O₃ and wind-speed lead to greater iodine emissions in CMAQ. Additionally, we focus on summer-time when halogen emissions are likely to be greater than those in the winter-time. Similar to the Prados-Roman et

al.⁶⁶ estimates, our calculation also suggests that 95% of the inorganic iodine emissions are in the form of HOI and 5% are in the form of I₂.

Table 1: Halogen emissions estimates

Species	Hemispheric summer estimates in this study (Gg)	Global annual estimates in this study (Gg)	Global annual estimates from published studies (Gg)
CHBr ₃	100.1	525	533
CH ₂ Br ₂	17.2	90	67.3
CH ₂ BrCl	2.0	11	10.0
CHBr ₂ Cl	4.9	26	19.7
CHBrCl ₂	4.8	17	22.6
CH ₃ I	44.9	236	303
CH ₂ ICl	49.2	258	234
CH ₂ IBr	18.3	96	87.3
CH ₂ I ₂	24.4	128	116
Br ₂	274 (Br)		1,150-2,090 (Br) 1,420 (Br)
HOI+ 2xI ₂	736 (I)		1,900 (I)

Note: Global annual estimates of halocarbon emissions are taken from Ordóñez et al.³², global annual estimates of Br₂ are taken from Yang et al.³³ and Parrella et al.³⁶, and global annual estimates of HOI+2×I₂ are taken from Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁴.

2.5 Simulation details

Four different model simulations were conducted. The first simulation (Case A) was completed using the standard O₃ deposition velocity over seawater and the CB05TUCl mechanism. The second simulation (Case B) was completed using the enhanced O₃ deposition over seawater and the CB05TUCl mechanism. The third simulation (Case C) was completed using the enhanced O₃ deposition over seawater, the CB05TUCl mechanism, and halogen chemistry without the photolysis of higher iodine oxides. The fourth simulation (Case D) was completed using the enhanced O₃ deposition over seawater, the CB05TUCl mechanism, and halogen chemistry with the photolysis of higher iodine oxides. Differences between Cases A and B are attributable to the enhanced deposition over seawater. Differences between Cases B and C simulation results are attributable to halogen chemistry without the photolysis of higher iodine oxides while the differences between Cases B and D are attributable to halogen chemistry with the photolysis of

higher iodine oxides. Each simulation was completed for four months (May-August) in 2006. May was used as model spin-up period and results of the three summer months (June-August) are analyzed.

3.0 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Distribution of halogen species

The predicted mean surface mixing ratios for all halogen species over marine regions for Case C are presented in Table 2. HBr, produced via reactions of Br with HO₂ and aldehydes, contributes the highest percentage of total bromine. CHBr₃ is the second most abundant bromine species due to large emissions and a relatively long atmospheric lifetime. Br₂ is an emitted species but can also be formed in the atmosphere and is the third most abundant bromine species. CH₂Br₂ is an emitted species which only reacts with OH and is the fourth most abundant species. The fifth most abundant species is HOBr which is produced only by chemical reactions.

Table 2: Predicted mean surface mixing ratios of halogen species (Case C)

Species	Mean mixing ratio(pptv)	Percent distribution (%)	Species	Mean mixing ratio(pptv)	Percent distribution (%)
HBr	6.8	33.6	I ₂ O ₃	5.0	58.6
CHBr ₃	2.2	32.6	HOI	2.5	14.6
Br ₂	1.3	13.1	CH ₃ I	2.1	12.2
CH ₂ Br ₂	0.9	8.7	IONO ₂	0.8	5.0
HOBr	1.3	6.4	IO	0.6	3.7
CHBr ₂ Cl	0.2	1.8	CH ₂ ICl	0.3	1.9
BrONO ₂	0.2	1.1	I	0.2	0.9
BrO	0.2	0.8	I ₂	0.1	0.7
CHBrCl ₂	0.1	0.7	INO ₂	0.1	0.6
CH ₂ BrCl	0.1	0.7	HI	0.1	0.6
CH ₂ IBr	0.1	0.3	CH ₂ I ₂	<0.1	0.5
BrNO ₂	<0.1	0.2	CH ₂ IBr	0.1	0.4
Br	<0.1	<0.1	OIO	<0.1	0.3
BrCl	<0.1	<0.1	I ₂ O ₂	<0.1	<0.1
Total Br	20.2		INO	<0.1	<0.1
			I ₂ O ₄	<0.1	<0.1
			ICl	<0.1	<0.1
			Total I	17.1	

Note: Total Br and Total I are calculated as follows:

Total Br = 3xCHBr₃ + HBr + 2xBr₂ + 2xCH₂Br₂ + HOBr + BrONO₂ + 2xCHBr₂Cl + BrO + CH₂BrCl + CHBrCl₂ + CH₂IBr + BrNO₂ + Br + BrCl

331 Total I = $2xI_2O_2 + 2xI_2O_3 + 2xI_2O_4 + HOI + CH_3I + IONO_2 + IO + CH_2ICl + I + 2xI_2 + INO_2 + HI + 2xCH_2I_2 + CH_2IBr + OIO + INO + ICl$
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333 The most abundant iodine species, I_2O_3 , is a reaction product which does not participate in any
334 other chemical reactions. The I_2O_3 mixing ratio decreases only via dry and wet deposition;
335 enabling it to accumulate in the atmosphere. HOI is the second most abundant iodine species and
336 is formed through primary emissions and secondary formation. CH_3I is the third most abundant
337 iodine species due to its large emission rates and long atmospheric lifetime. $IONO_2$ is the fourth
338 highest abundant iodine species.

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340 Predicted surface BrO and IO mixing ratios (daytime mean over marine regions) are 0.3 pptv and
341 1.2 pptv, respectively. Since the rate constants for the reactions of $Br + O_3$ and $I + O_3$ are similar;
342 the higher IO value relative to BrO suggests that the iodine chemistry is more effective in
343 reducing O_3 than bromine chemistry. Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁵ compiled BrO and IO data from ground
344 and ship-based measurements. Ground based measured BrO ranged 0.5-2.0 pptv and ship-based
345 BrO ranged 3.0-3.6 pptv while ground based IO ranged 0.2-2.4 pptv and ship-based IO level was
346 ~3.5 pptv. Prados-Roman et al.¹⁹ reported IO measurements of 0.4-1.0 pptv in the global marine
347 boundary layer. Mahajan et al.⁶⁴ reported a daytime average measurement of 2.8 pptv for BrO
348 and 1.5 pptv for IO at Cape Verde in Atlantic Ocean. Thus, the halogen chemistry without the
349 photolysis of higher iodine oxides successfully reproduces these observed halogen oxides.

350 Higher levels (~100 pptv) of BrO have been measured in the boundary layer of the Dead Sea.⁶⁷⁻⁶⁸

351 Our model results are lower than these high observed values over the Dead Sea which contains
352 86 times more bromide than typical ocean water.⁶⁹ Tas et al.⁶⁹ studied the atmospheric bromine
353 chemistry over the Dead Sea using a one-dimensional model and reported that high levels of
354 bromide in the Dead Sea water and release of halogen species from airborne aerosols are not

adequate to capture the observed BrO values. In their study, the addition of two heterogeneous reactions significantly improved the BrO predictions: the BrONO₂ heterogeneous reaction and the bromine explosion reaction. Our model uses typical ocean-water bromide levels and does not use the bromine explosion reaction. While our model uses the BrONO₂ heterogeneous reaction, the uptake coefficient is 2.5 times lower than the value used in their study. These differences likely caused our model predictions of BrO to be lower than high observed data over the Dead Sea.

3.2 Impact of enhanced O₃ deposition and halogen chemistry on O₃

Predicted mean O₃ averaged over all marine regions obtained with the standard deposition velocity is ~27 ppbv at surface and increases with altitude reaching ~330 ppbv at the highest model layer. The percent reductions due to the enhanced deposition and halogen chemistry are shown in Figure 1. The impact of the enhanced deposition is the highest at the surface (~3%), sharply decreases with height, and is expectedly negligible at higher altitudes. Though the impact of the halogen chemistry is also the highest at the surface, decreasing with height, it can effectively reduce O₃ concentrations throughout the lower troposphere. While halogen chemistry without photolysis of higher iodine oxides reduces surface O₃ mixing ratios over marine regions by 15%, including the photolysis of these oxides results in a more substantial decrease in surface O₃ mixing ratios averaging nearly 48%. As noted in section 3.1, I₂O₃ is the most abundant iodine species and the inclusion of its photolytic reaction reduces I₂O₃ mixing ratios and generates iodine which participates in O₃ destruction.

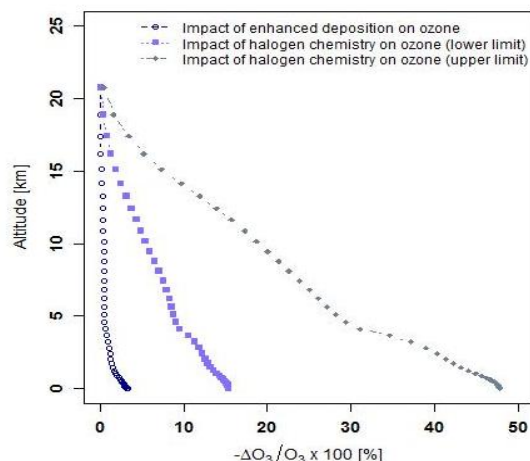


Figure 1: Percent reduction of O₃ due the enhanced deposition and halogen chemistry

The spatial distributions of summertime mean surface O₃ mixing ratios predicted by Case A and reduction due to enhanced deposition velocity and halogen chemistry are presented in Figure 2. Higher O₃ mixing ratios are predicted over terrestrial and coastal areas than over remote marine regions. Enhanced deposition reduces O₃ mixing ratios by 1.0-2.0 ppbv over most marine regions and by 2.0-3.0 ppbv over some coastal regions. The impact of the enhanced deposition in remote marine areas is relatively small due to lower absolute mixing ratios. Halogen chemistry without photolysis of higher iodine oxides reduces O₃ mixing ratios in the majority of the modeling domain. However, the reduction is greater over the marine environment than over land. O₃ mixing ratios are reduced by 4.0-6.0 ppbv over most remote marine regions and over 6.0 ppbv occurs in several coastal areas. Over most terrestrial regions near the coast, O₃ mixing ratios are reduced by 2.0-4.0 ppbv due to halogen chemistry. The inclusion of the photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides has a large impact on predicted O₃ mixing ratios, with reductions of 12-24 ppbv over large swaths of the marine domain.

Yang et al.³³ reported that bromine chemistry reduces 4-6% of monthly mean summertime tropospheric O₃ in Northern Hemisphere while Parrella et al.³⁶ reported a global tropospheric O₃

reduction of 6.5% due to the bromine chemistry. Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁴ reported that iodine chemistry reduces annual mean tropical tropospheric O₃ by 9% and 16% for the simulations without and with photolysis of higher iodine oxides, respectively. Saiz-Lopez et al.³⁵ reported tropical tropospheric O₃ loss of 6-20% due to combined bromine and iodine chemistry. The halogen chemistry mediated O₃ reductions in this study are greater than those reported by others due to bromine chemistry or iodine chemistry alone but similar to values reported by others studying the combined effects of bromine and iodine chemistry. The reduction of O₃ mixing ratios due to halogen chemistry with photolysis of higher iodine species in this study is greater than values reported by other investigators.

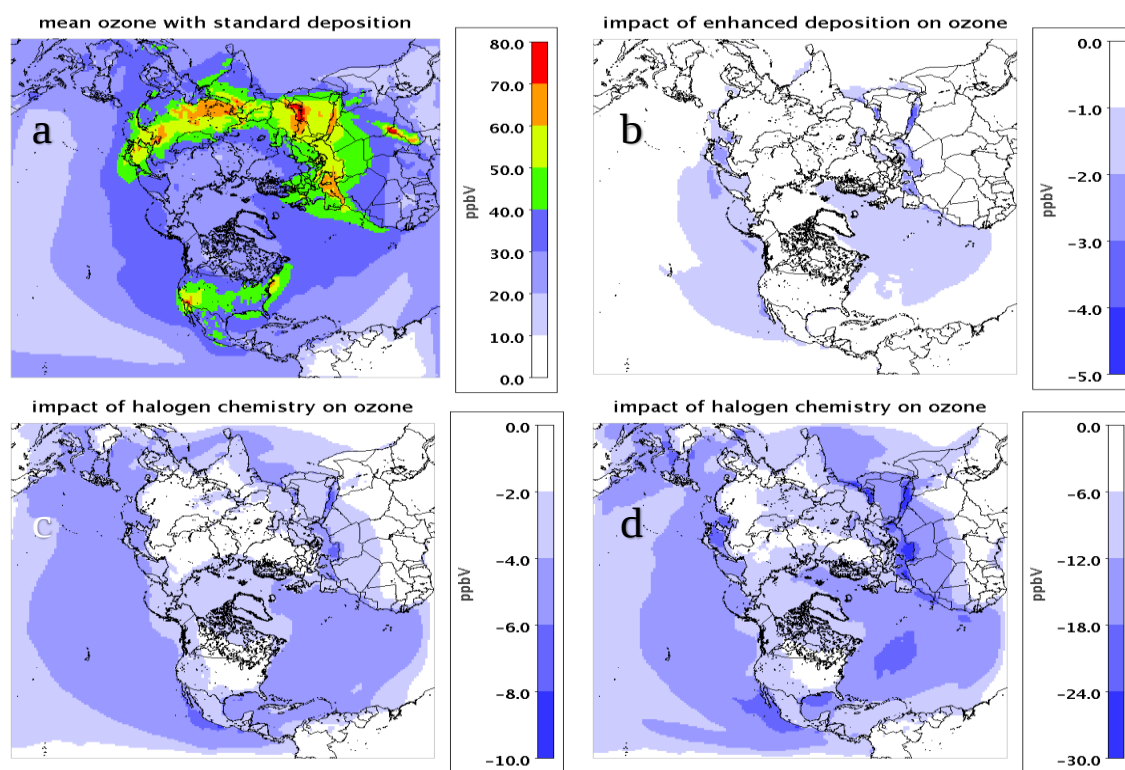


Figure 2: (a) Spatial distribution of predicted mean summertime O₃ with the standard deposition (b) reduction of O₃ due to enhanced deposition (c) reduction of O₃ due to the halogen chemistry without photolysis of higher iodine oxides (d) reduction of O₃ due to the halogen chemistry with photolysis of higher iodine oxides

3.3 Impact of halogen chemistry on selected chemical species

Mahajan et al.⁶⁴ compared model predictions to observed data from Cape Verde and reported a typical observed peak noon value of 0.25 pptv for OH, 18 pptv for HO₂, and 72 for HO₂:OH ratio. They found that their baseline model simulation under-predicts OH by ~13%, over-predicts HO₂ by ~14%, and over-predicts HO₂:OH compared to observations, but improves with the inclusion of halogen chemistry. The inclusion of the halogen chemistry in our simulations decreased mean OH by 1% and HO₂ by 11%, and lowered the HO₂:OH from 104 to 93 over marine regions. Though we cannot directly compare our predictions to observations, our results qualitatively agree with those reported by Mahajan et al.⁶⁴ Several halogen compounds react with HO₂, reducing both its mixing ratio and the mixing ratio of H₂O₂ (by 17%) over marine regions. Because H₂O₂ and O₃ are important oxidizing agents for aqueous-phase conversion of SO₂ into sulfate, the production of sulfate via the aqueous-phase oxidation by H₂O₂ and O₃ decreases with the inclusion of halogen chemistry.

3.4 Comparison with observed data

Model predictions are compared to the observed data at selected monitoring sites from the World Data Centre for Greenhouse Gases (<http://ds.data.jma.go.jp/gmd/wdcgg>). Since a relatively coarse horizontal grid-size is used in this study, we limit our comparisons to 13 background sites (Table S.3) where enhanced deposition and halogen chemistry are effective in reducing O₃. The median observed O₃ for these sites is 27 ppbv (Figure 3), which is over-predicted by ~6 ppbv in Case A. The simulation with enhanced deposition (Case B) improves model performance by lowering the median prediction by ~1 ppbv. The simulation including halogen chemistry without photolysis of higher iodine oxides (Case C) further reduces the surface O₃ mixing ratios by 5 ppbv. Case D, which uses halogen chemistry with photolysis of higher iodine oxides, has a more

substantial reduction of surface O₃ mixing ratios averaging 12 ppbv compared to that of Case B. The inclusion of enhanced deposition and halogen chemistry without photolysis of higher iodine oxides improve model performance. When the photolysis reactions are included in Case D, the surface O₃ mixing ratios are under-predicted by the model. This evaluation suggests that additional research is needed to further refine the halogen emissions and chemistry.

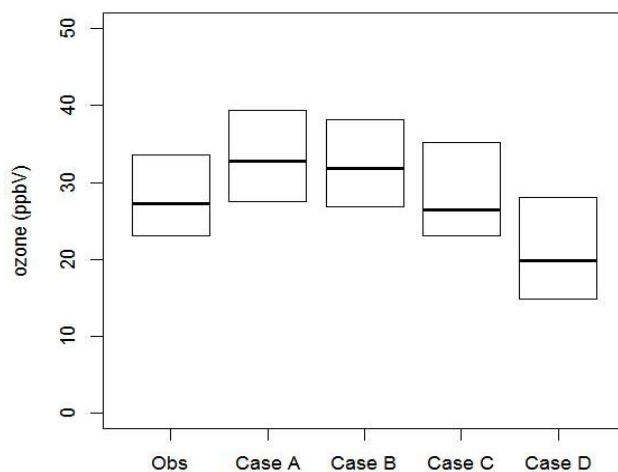


Figure 3: A comparison of model predictions with observed data. Lower bar in the box represents 25th percentile, middle bar represents the median and the upper bar represents 75 percentile values.

3.5 An effective first order rate constant for halogen mediated O₃ loss

The application of regional air quality models demands computational efficiency. Because the inclusion of detailed halogen chemistry increases computational time (in our case by more than 25%), simplifications such as the first order rate constant can be used for calculating halogen mediated O₃ loss in these computationally intensive model applications. The following relationship between the first order rate constant values, k_{O_3} (s⁻¹), and the atmospheric pressures, P (Pa) is obtained using nonlinear least squares estimation ($R^2 = 0.97$) (Figure S.2).

$$k_{O_3}(P) = 1.0000 \times 10^{-40} e^{7.7400 \times 10^{-4} \times P} + 4.0582 \times 10^{-09} e^{5.7451 \times 10^{-5} \times P} \quad (12)$$

3.6 Future work

We examined the impacts of enhanced O₃ deposition and halogen chemistry on summertime O₃. Future work is needed to quantify the impact of these processes during other seasons. Our enhanced deposition scheme neglects several factors such as the possible reaction of dimethyl sulfide⁵ and dissolved organic carbon⁷ with O₃ as well as the effects of water salinity⁷⁰ and surface properties⁸. Our study uses a simplified Br₂ emission scheme which may contain large uncertainties. Studies suggest that heterogeneous reactions involving marine aerosols and O₃ can release bromine and iodine.^{24, 25, 27} Our study does not include the bromine explosion reaction⁶⁹ that may occur in some marine boundary layers. While we have attempted to include the most important atmospheric bromine and iodine reactions, it is possible that other reactions not included in this study may also affect model results. Photochemical reactions of higher iodine oxides in the halogen chemistry treatment contain large uncertainties. Thus, future effort should focus on reducing these uncertainties and re-examining the impacts with improved enhanced deposition scheme and halogen chemistry. Previous studies employing regional air quality models have shown over-predictions of O₃ in coastal areas⁷¹⁻⁷³ and may need to be reexamined with a more realistic representation of enhanced O₃ deposition and halogen chemistry as presented in this study. Some of these studies also have revealed that lateral boundary conditions used in regional models play an important role in O₃ predictions; this suggests that future studies focusing on O₃ predictions in coastal areas should use boundary conditions generated from hemispheric or global models which include enhanced O₃ deposition and halogen chemistry.

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