

# **New-Generation Weather Radar Monitoring Network in China**



**China Meteorological Administration**

# CINRAD IN CHINA

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**China is affected by weather-related disasters. The China Meteorological Administration (CMA) is currently deploying a network of 158 C-band and S-band radars for the purpose of early detection of heavy rain, hail, floods, and typhoons.**

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# CINRAD IN CHINA



Hail in Shandong  
June 03, 2003

Heavy rain in Hebei  
June 15, 2004



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# CINRAD General Project

- 158 CINRADs of which 87 are S-band and 71 are C-band .
- The red dots are S-band, blue squares C- band .



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# CINRAD General Project

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- **Currently 115 CINRADs are operational.**
- **Constantly running at same default VCPs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**
- **When necessary, some radars can be operated individually to rapidly obtain vertical cross section of storm.**

# How Many Radar Types?

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There are 8 types (7 in China, 1 in Korea).

## 3 Types of S-Band

- **CINRAD/SA** ----- **S-band (WSR-98D)**
- **CINRAD/SB** ----- **S-band**
- **CINRAD/SC** ----- **S-band**

# How Many Radar Types?

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## 5 Types of C-Band

- CINRAD/CA ----- C-band (for Korea)
- CINRAD/CB ----- C-band
- CINRAD/CC ----- C-band
- CINRAD/CD ----- C-band
- CINRAD/CCJ ----- C-band (mobile Doppler radar)

# Principles for Radar Distribution

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In accordance with the weather patterns, climate, and the need to detect severe weather, the Network has been designed with the following principles:

- S-Band will be deployed in coastal areas where typhoons and rainstorms often occur and in the Yangtze river reach which is vulnerable to rainstorms brought by Meiyu front.
- C-Band will be deployed in the western region and inland, where there is less rainfall but more frequent hail and severe convection.

Constantly scan to  
monitor Typhoon  
and extensive  
Rainfall, 47% time  
running VCP21



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Will run RHI  
as needed.  
(Mostly in  
western  
China.)

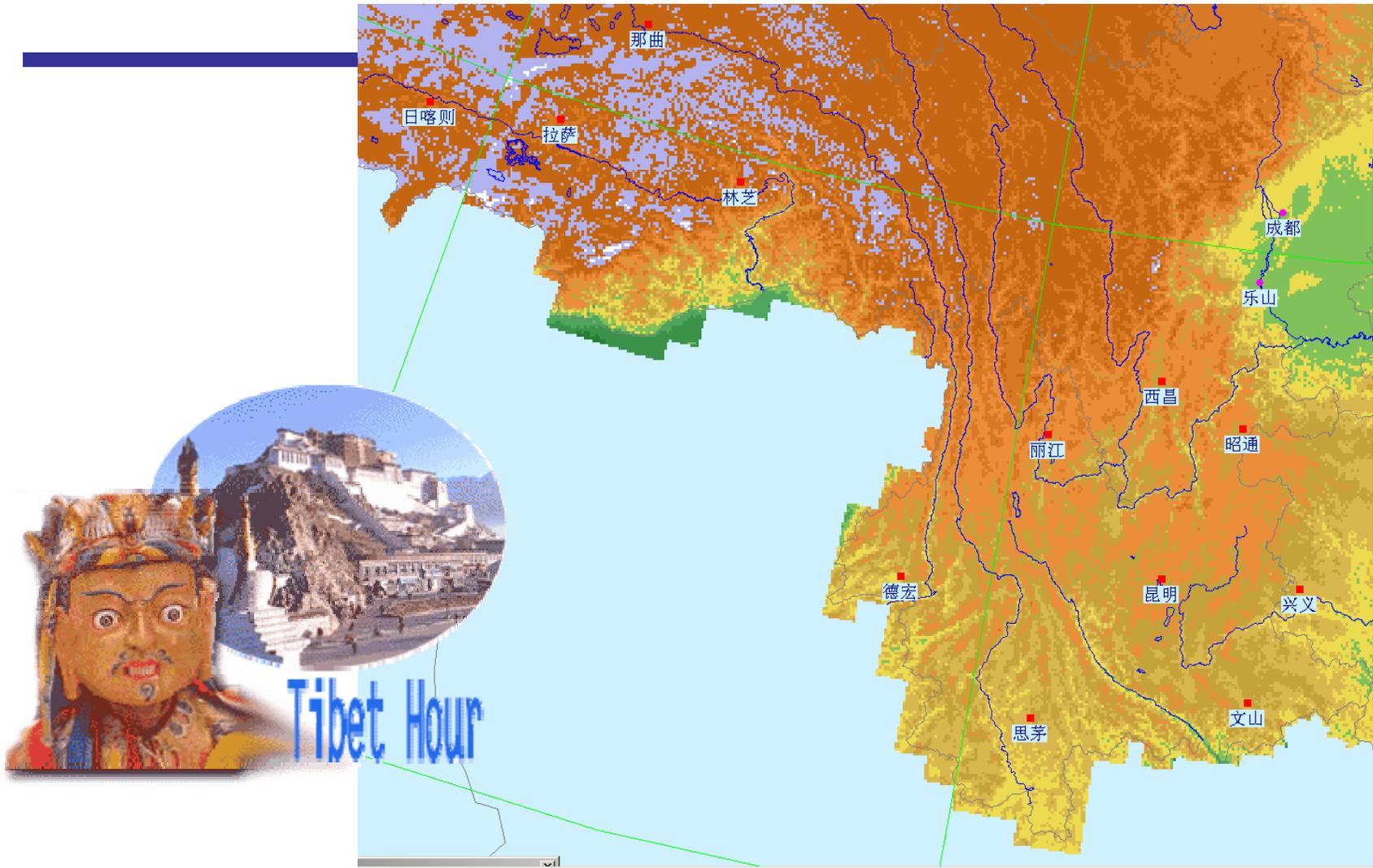


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## 10 C-Bands in Yunnan and Tibet

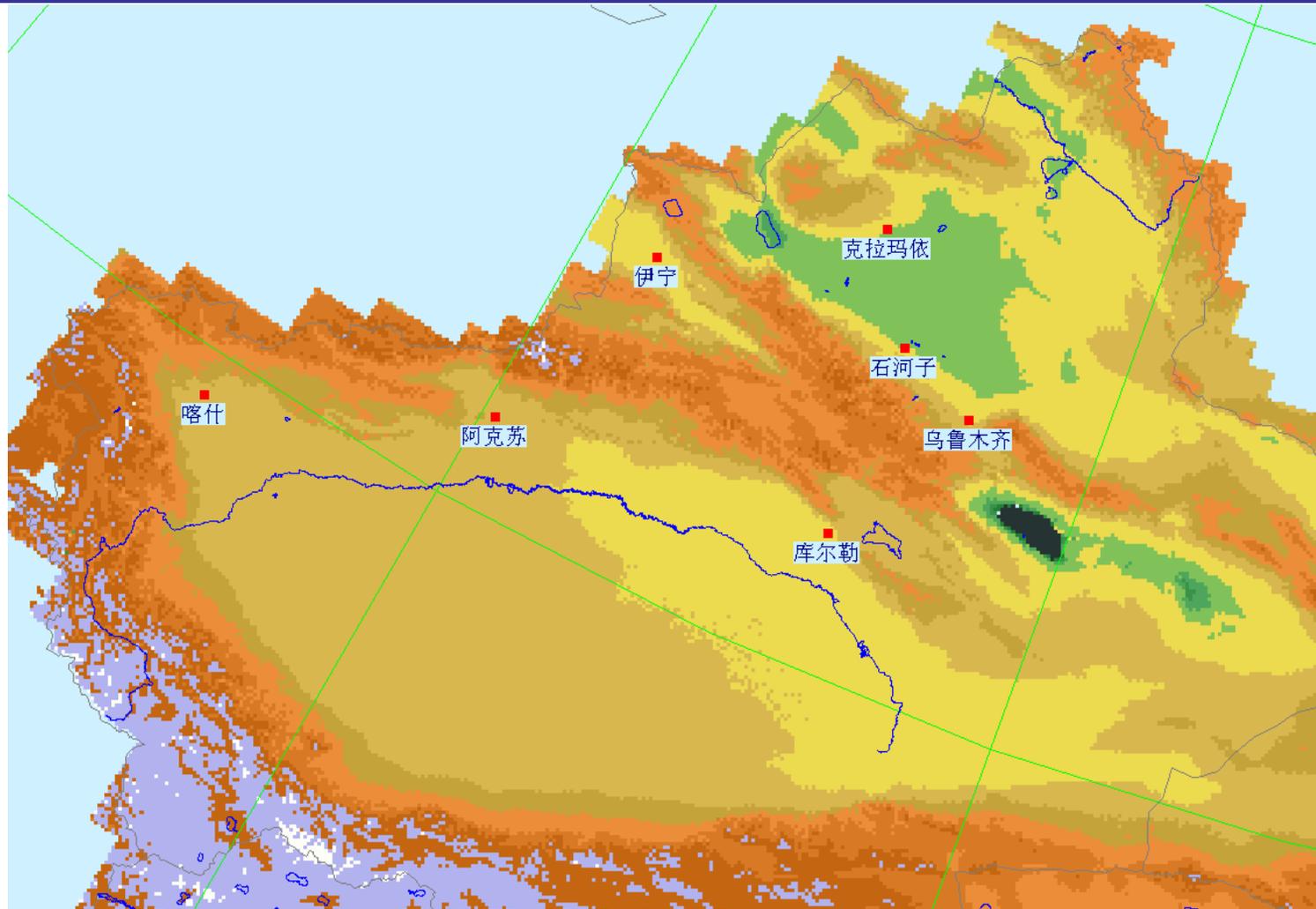


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## 7 C-bands in Xinjiang



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# Radars Are Sited on Top of Buildings to Reduce Blockage



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# Mountain Radars Use Negative Tilt Angles to Increase Low-Level Coverage



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# High Density Deployment Along the Yangtze River to Detect Extensive Rainfall.



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# Northeastern Region

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Identify winter snow and local diversity weathers



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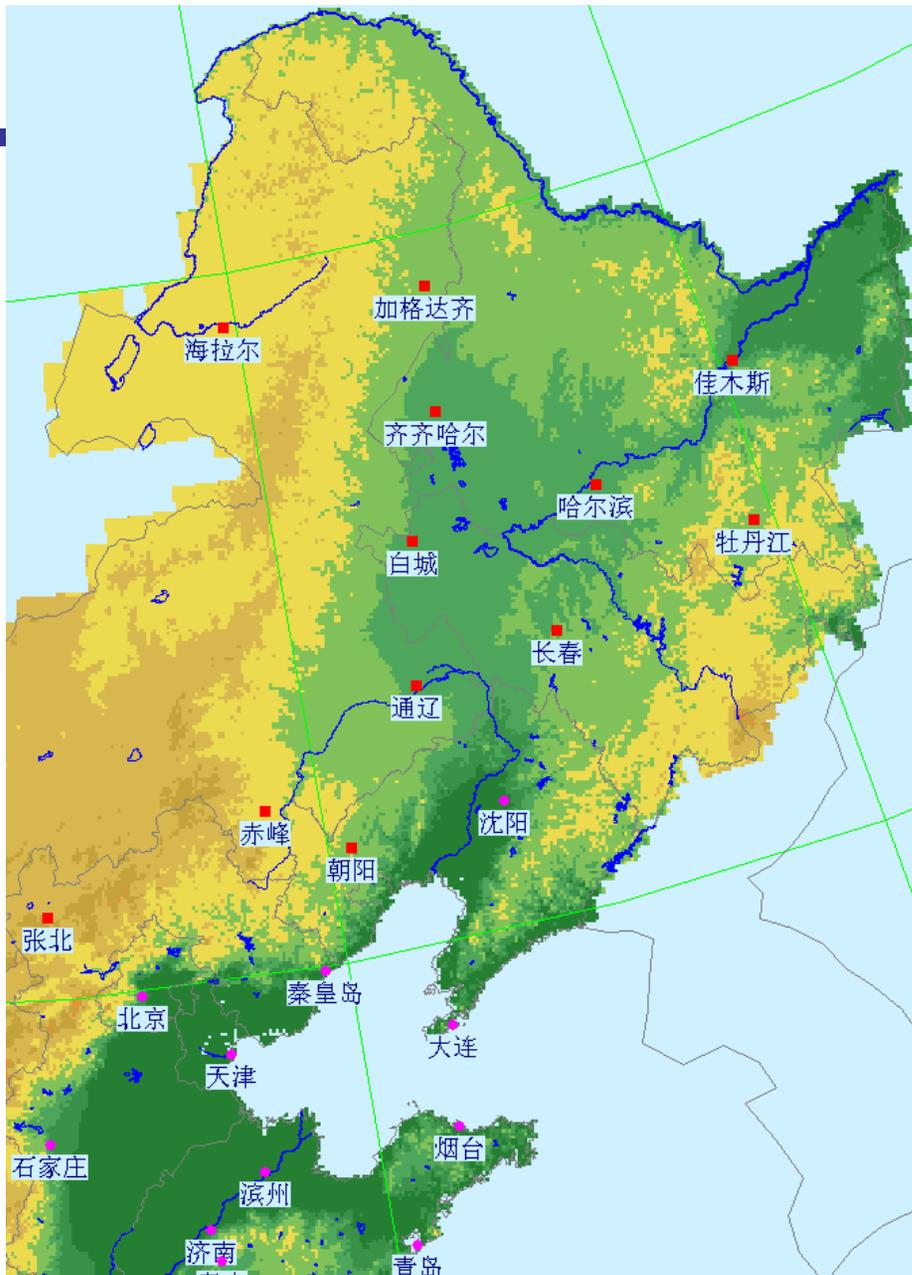
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## The CINRAD Distribution Along Songhuajiang River

CINRAD/CC and CINRAD/CD radars are set up in Northeast and Northwest China as well as Yunnan-Guizhou Plateau and Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau, these regions are characterized by short rainy season, mostly mountain climate, and local diversity in weather patterns.

11 C band CINRAD radars in the region



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# Dual-Doppler Observation and Science Experiment

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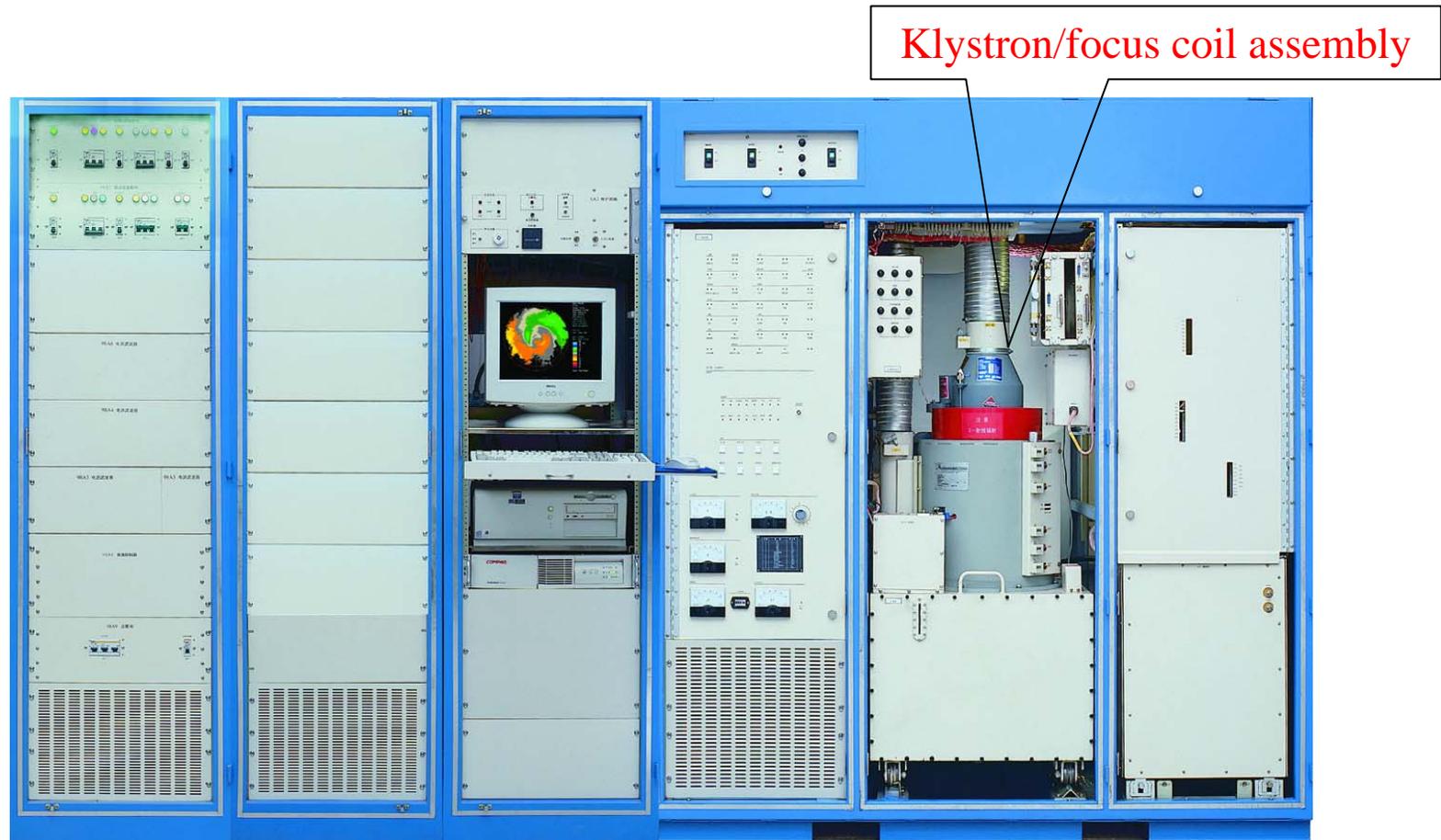
Mobile radar

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# The Transmitter and Receiver



Receiver Components

Transmitter Components

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# CINRAD/CC

Since May 2001, CINRAD/CC radars have been working to detect important weather phenomena such as Meiyu front heavy rain, hail and squall-line etc.



The antenna diameter is 6.5 meters .

CINRAD/CC can run RHI and negative scan when need.



Transmitter: peak power >250 kw

Receiver : Dynamic range >85 dB

Working Freq : 5300 to 5500 MHz



# The CINRAD/CCJ Radar in Scientific Experiment

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Mobile radar at work in Qinghai Province

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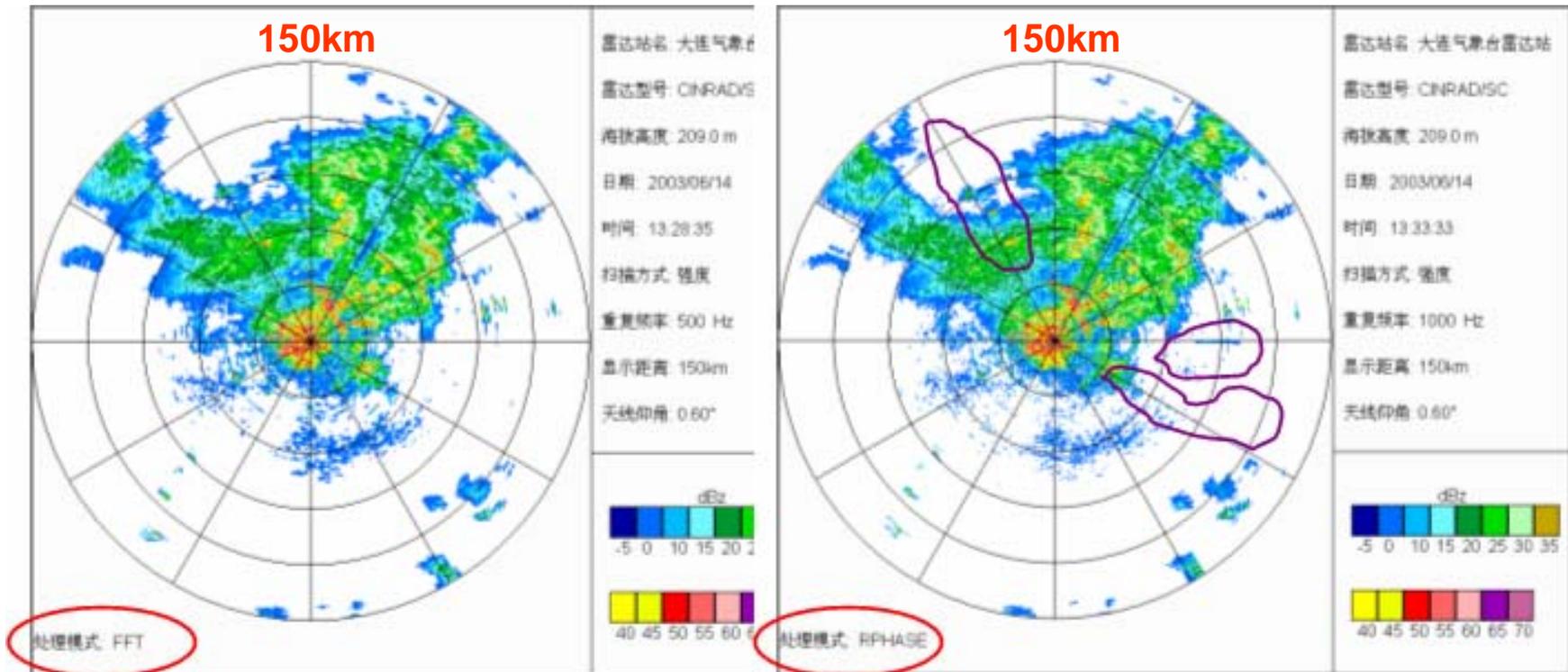
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# Data Quality Controlling

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- **Phase Coding, Range-folding.** Four prototype sites have been set up to deal with various weather phenomena.
- **Dual-PRF.** V-dealiasing has been successfully implemented in all radars.
- **Dual-Polarization Is Under Development.** Several prototype sites have been built.

# Phase Coding Effect



**PRF=500/FFT**

**PRF=1000/Phased-coding**

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# Mitigation of V with Dual-PRF

V+  
Test recorder

Test point	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fd	0	140.0	250.0	320.0	406.0	560.0	640.0	710.0	790.0	860.0
PRF <u>1000</u> Hz	0	7.32	13.01	16.67	23.99	-22.77	-18.71	-15.05	-10.98	-7.32
Dual-PRF <u>1000/667</u>	0	7.30	12.97	16.62	23.51	28.78	32.84	36.49	40.95	44.60
Error	0	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.048	0.57	0.57	0.58	0.19	0.2

Max Error 0.57m/s

V-  
Test recorder

Test point	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	0	8.8	29.4	69.4	179.4	319.4	479.4	559.4	729.4	879.4
PRF <u>1000</u> Hz	0	-0.41	-1.42	-3.66	-9.35	-16.67	-25.01	22.98	14.03	6.30
Dual-PRF <u>1000/667</u>	0	-0.81	-1.62	-3.65	-9.32	-16.62	-25.14	-29.19	-38.11	-45.81
Error	0	0.40	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.13	0.13	0.02	0.01

Max Error 0.4m/s

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recorders

# Data Central Collection Schemes

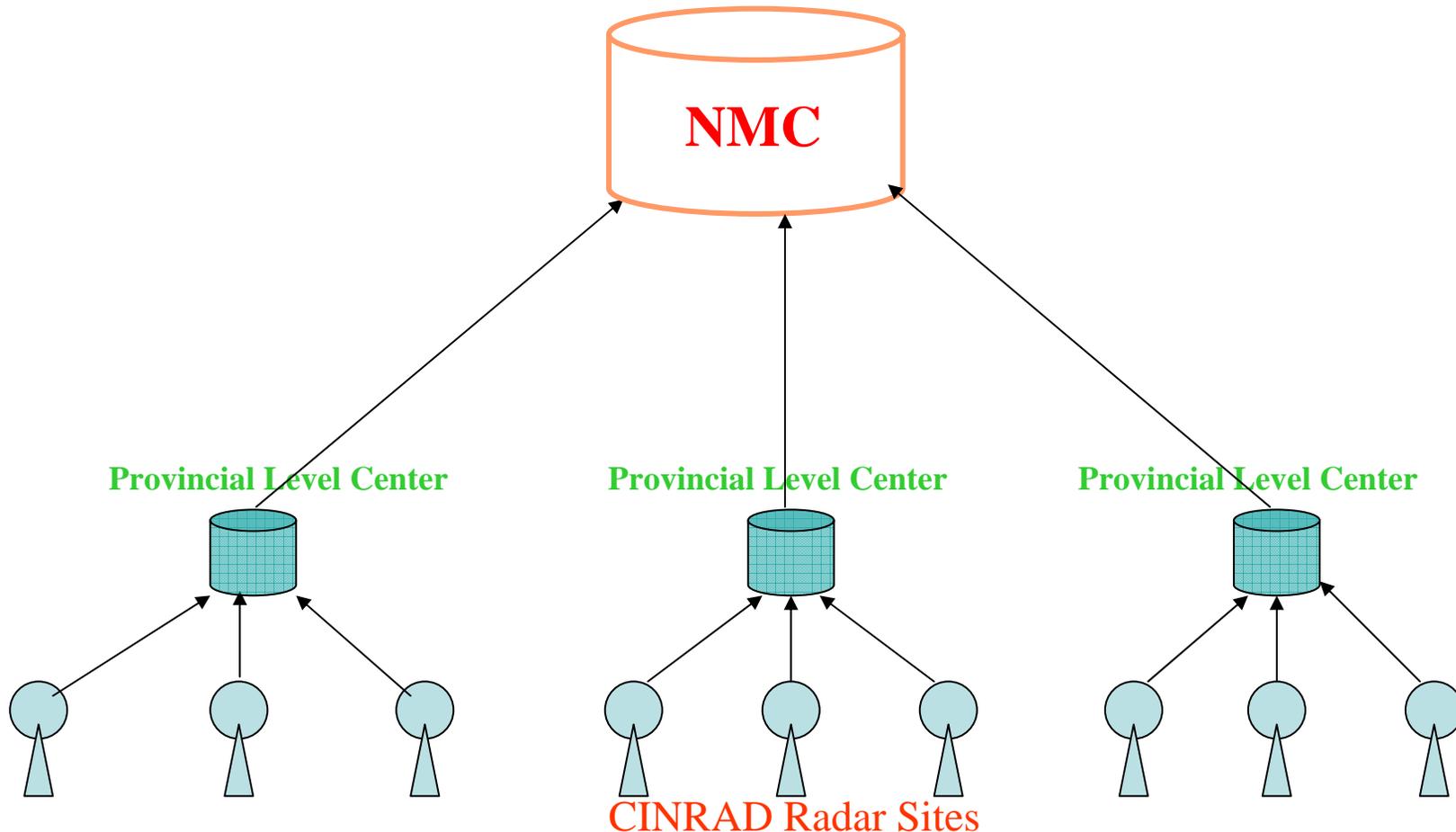
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**Radar sites disseminate real-time data to provincial sub-centers respectively, then to the National Meteorological Center (NMC) via a broadband backbone network.**

**Phase 1: Only radar products be transmitted since the trans-province broadband backbone network has not finished yet.**

**Phase 2: Base data disseminated to the NMC, when the construction of broadband networks linking radar sites with sub-centers and the trans-province broadband backbone network completed.**

# CINRAD Radar Data Transmission Scheme



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# The CINRAD Radars in Operation

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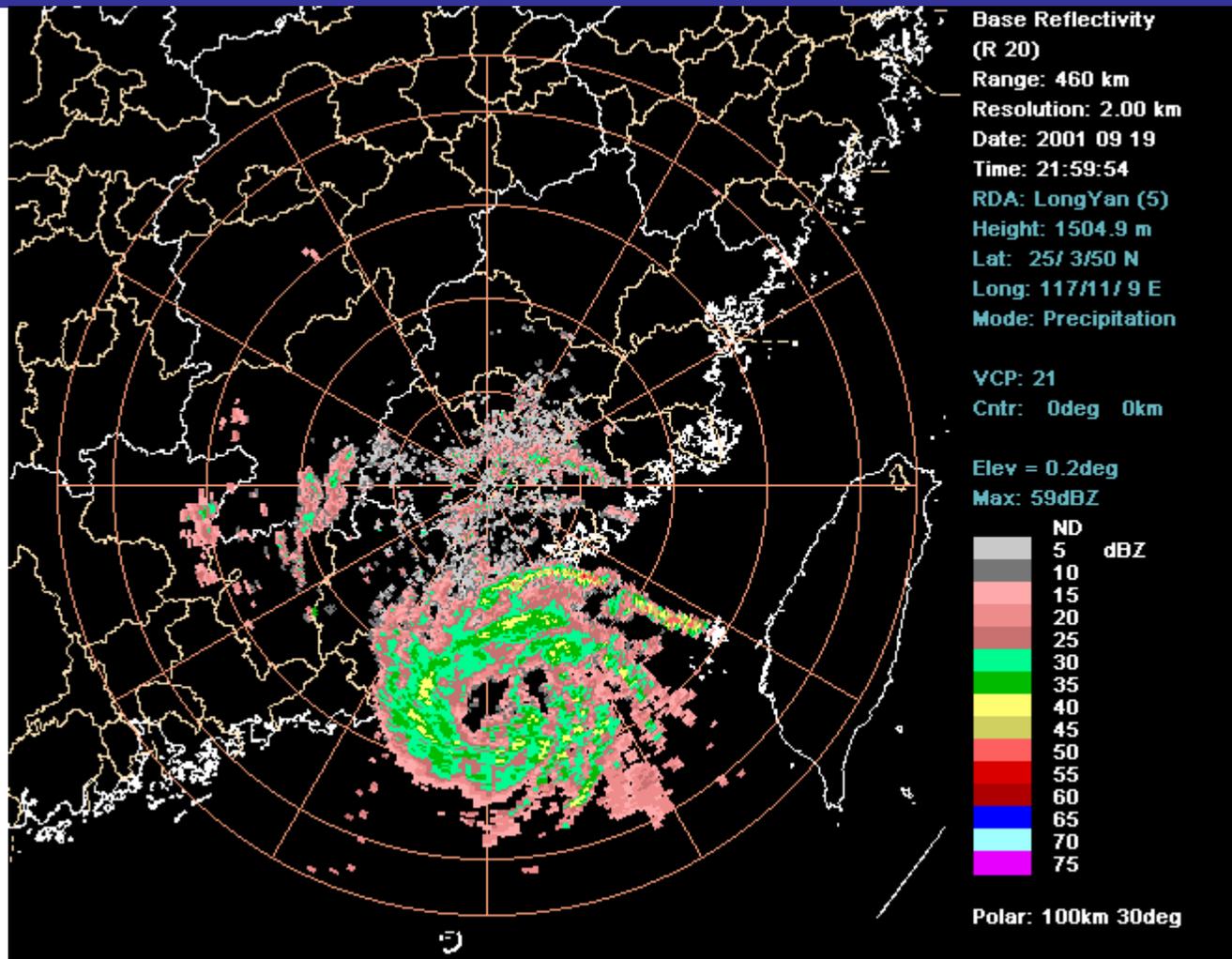
**The first radar in Hefei, China in 1999**

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# Longyan Typhoon Radar Echo



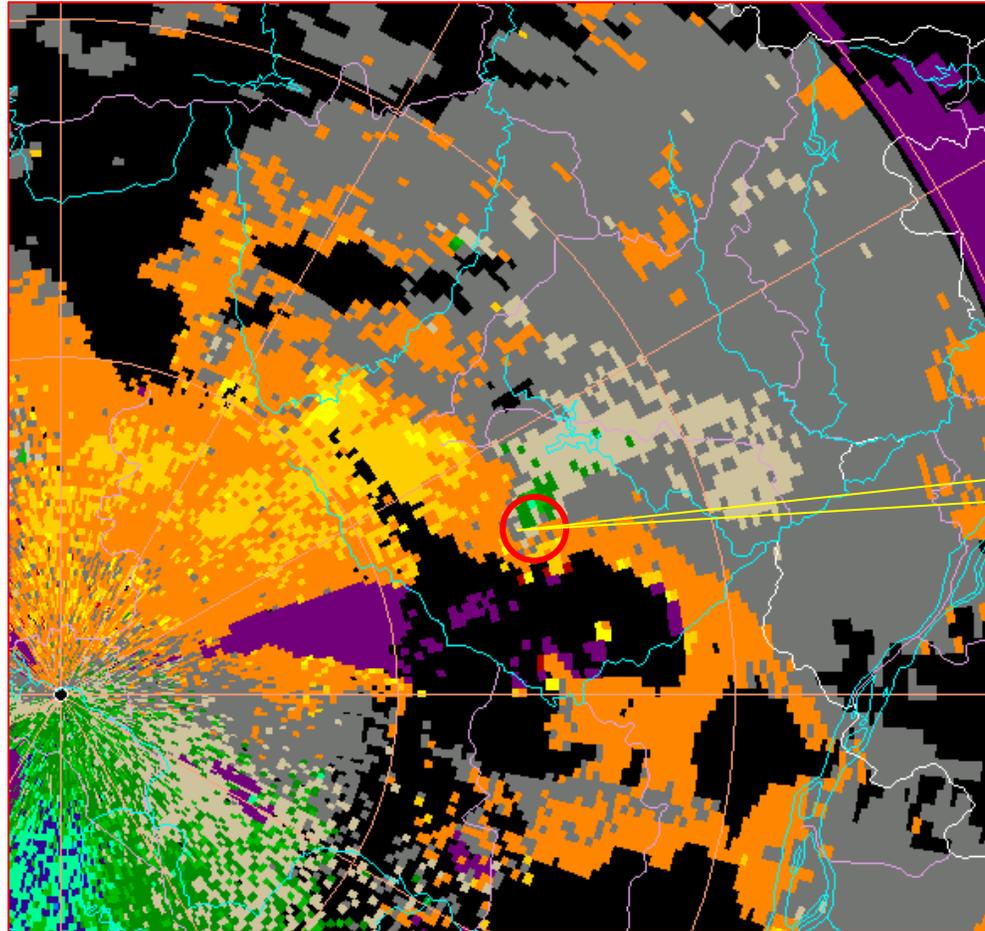
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# Mesocyclone

This mesocyclone produced 170 mm of precipitation in two hours.

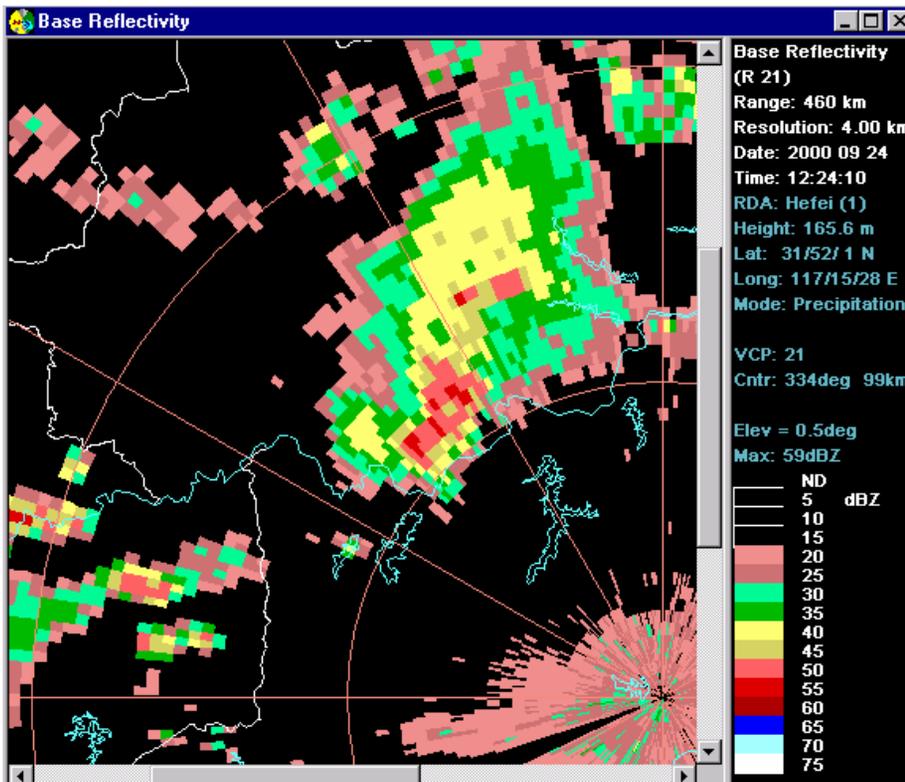


Mesocyclone

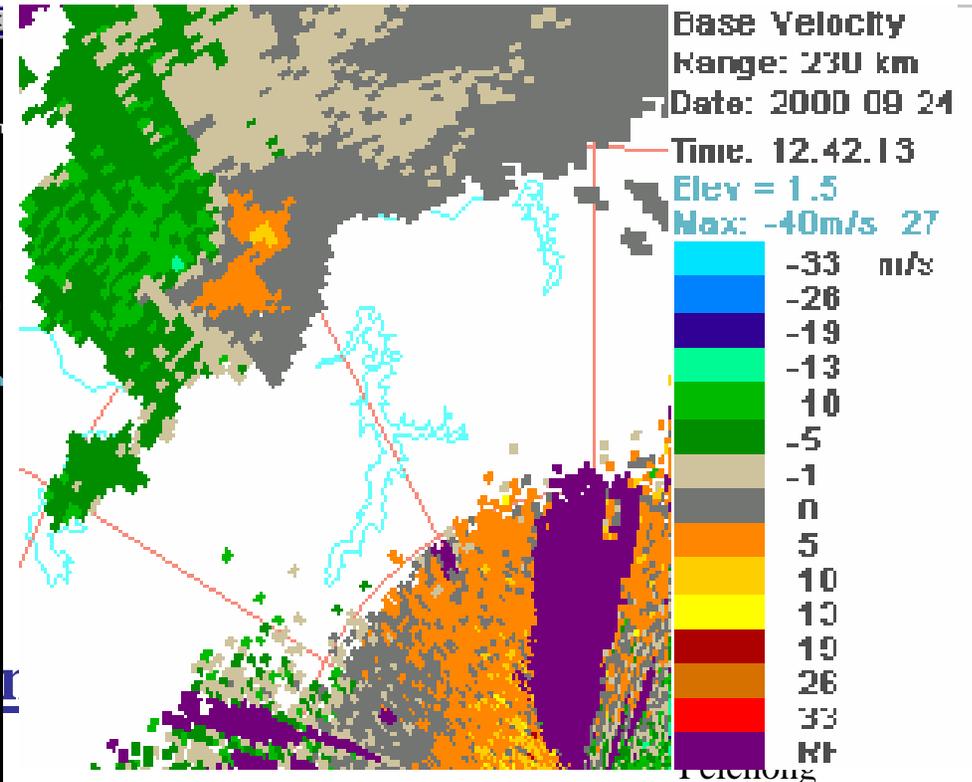
# Mesocyclone

A Mesocyclone Associated with Hail

Reflectivity

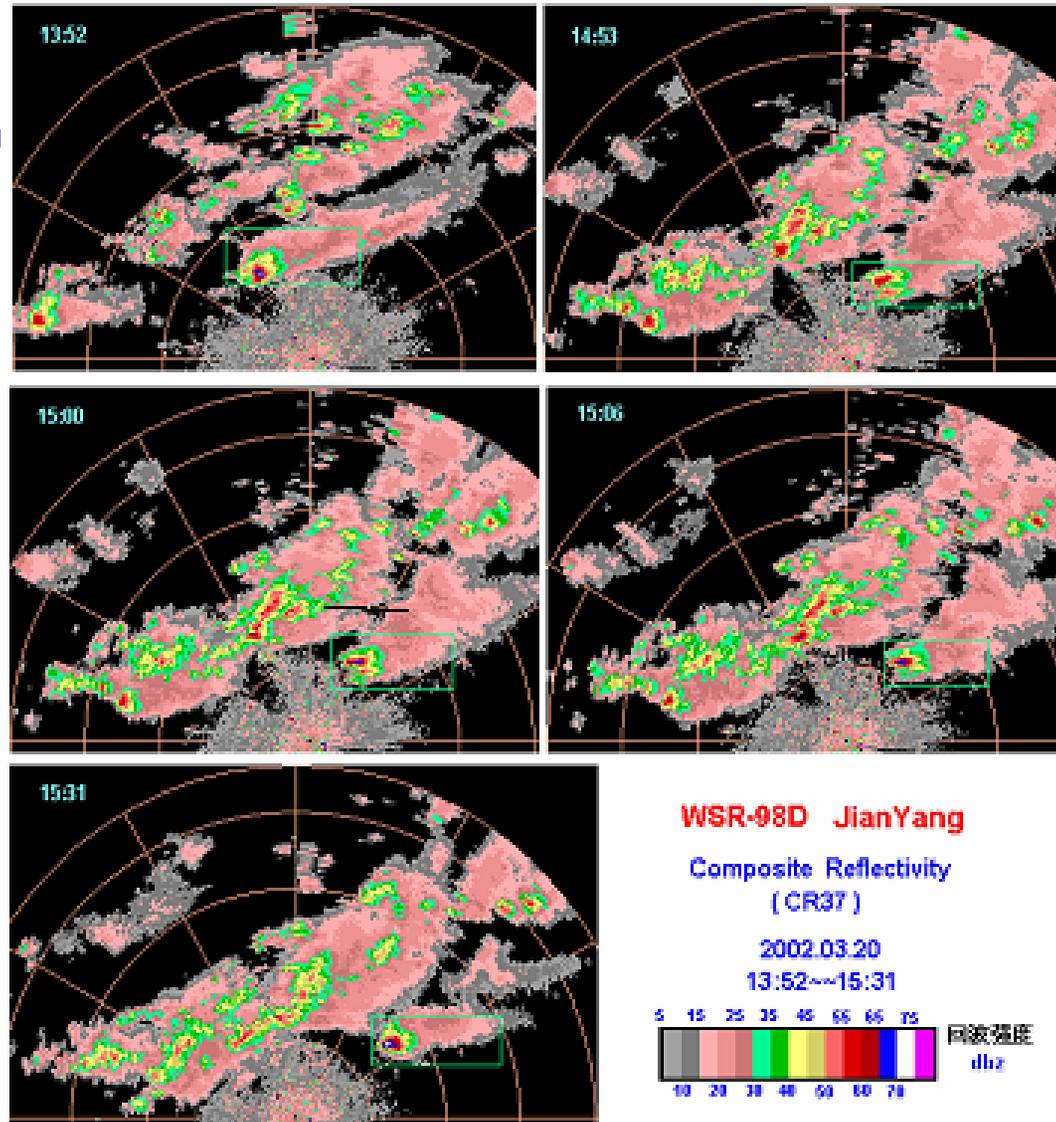


Radial Velocity



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# Hail Echo



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# On-going

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- Continue to deploy the rest of the radars in 1-2 years
- Centralized collection of base data and products.
- Improvement of phase coding
- Further development of dual-polarization
- Continued improvement of data quality
- O&M system support

# Summary

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- **CINRAD construction is on-going.**
- **87 S-band and 61 C-band will be deployed in China, 56 radars are already operational.**
- **CINRAD baseline configuration.**
- **New technology has been used in CINRAD.**
- **Typhoons, hail, rain storms have been effectively detected.**