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ABSTRACT

This study involves improving knowledge of the climatic and environmental changes during the past 3 million years in the region of the Chinese Loess Plateau and the forcing mechanisms of global glacial-interglacial climate oscillations during the Quaternary. Loess sections consisting of loess-paleosol sequence, fluviolacustrine sequence, and the red clay formation were selected for detailed study. Laboratory methods used included analyses of paleomagnetism, ¹⁴C dating, bulk sample mineralogy, grain-size distribution, clay mineralogy, major and trace element geochemistry, iron geochemistry, stable carbon-isotopes, carbonate content, organic matter content, pollen and pedo-micromorphology by photomicroscopy and SEM.

The fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section was deposited between 3.05 and 1.9 Ma B.P. with a dominant alluvial facies. The red clay formation was developed under a constant warm-dry climate 2.7 Ma ago. The paleovegetation in the southern Guanzhong basin was of typical sage steppe type during the period of 3.0-2.7 Ma B.P. Evidence suggests that the red clay was derived from the northwest deserts by aeolian transport, indicating dust deposition started long before the major loess accumulation. The dustfall rate in the late Pliocene is much lower than in the Quaternary, implying that the Siberian cold high was abruptly intensified 2.6 Ma B.P. Pollen evidence, pedological studies and dustfall rate indicate that a profound climatic change and regional climate regime replacement were coincident with the advent of the first Quaternary glaciation. As demonstrated, the Quaternary climate in the loess plateau responded strongly to the

world glacial-interglacial signals which are related to the sea level-coastal position-precipitation linkage.

As has been suggested by many workers, the last and rapid deglaciation must be linked to major changes in ocean circulation. It is difficult to explain this change by changes in solar insolation alone. In fact, the albedo changes might have worked to maintain the ice age. A first attempt has been made to examine if ice loading could have contributed to asthenosphere flow and intensified ocean ridge volcanism which in turn could perturb ocean circulation patterns and increase atmospheric CO₂. The first modeling results suggest that the process could be of quantitative significance.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1. Purpose of this Study

This study is designed to document the paleoclimatic changes over the past 3 million years of the Chinese Loess Plateau and in particular, to address the following issues:

- 1. Genesis of the Red Clay formation and the related environment;**
- 2. The amplitudes of climatic variations in the central Loess Plateau during the Quaternary period;**
- 3. The temporal trend of the climate in the region since late Pliocene;**
- 4. The linkage of climate change between North China and global systems;**
- 5. The forcing mechanism of the global glacial climate oscillations during the Pleistocene.**

1.2. Methods

A wide-scale field investigation was conducted throughout the loess plateau, and several sections were selected for detailed study (see Figures 1-1 and 1-3). The Shijiawan section, composed of a loess-paleosol sequence and an underlying fluviolacustrine sedimentary sequence, was targeted to document the transitional processes of climatic shift from the late Pliocene to the early Pleistocene, to reconstruct the climatic conditions in the late Pliocene, and to estimate the climate conditions implied by the best developed

paleosol layer "S5" in the Chinese loess sequences. The Chang'an section was chosen for the paleosol S5 study. The Yanyu primary section and Luochuan section (Fig. 1-1), consisting of a red clay formation and a loess-paleosol sequence, were studied to extract climatic information contained in the red clay formations. The Ziwu and another Yanyu site were chosen for stable carbon-isotopic studies of modern vegetation and related soils to establish the criterion for interpretation of isotopic signatures in paleosols.

Field observations and systematic sampling were followed by a variety of laboratory analyses, and paleomagnetism and radio-carbon dating were used for chronostratigraphy. To obtain environmental and climatic information, analyses including stable carbon-isotopes of organic matter, grain-size distribution, clastic mineralogy and clay mineralogy by XRD, XRF, and REEs, titrations for carbonates, iron-valence ratios and organic matter content, micromorphology of soil by photomicroscopy and scanning electron microscopy, and pollen analysis were conducted. To test the idea that the mid-ocean ridge processes could have played a leading role in pacing the Quaternary glacial cycles, a computer-based finite-element elastic model of the Earth was established to investigate the climatic influence of pulsative magmatism at mid-ocean ridges induced by the Earth's surface loading with ice sheets during glacial periods. Descriptions of the techniques employed will be given in related chapters where necessary.

1.3. Organization

Chapter 1 describes the physical character of the study area and summarizes previous work done on both the regional topics and general issues, climate forcing of the Quaternary glacial-interglacial oscillations. Chapter 2 includes descriptions of the selected

working sections and determinations of their ages. The stable carbon-isotope signatures of modern vegetation and organic matter in related soils are discussed in Chapter 3, providing the basis for paleoclimatic interpretation. In Chapter 4, the climate conditions of the best developed paleosol in the Chinese loess sequences is evaluated. Chapter 5 focuses on the climate reconstructions of the late Pliocene from the fluvio-lacustrine sequence and the red clay formations. The origin of the red clay is also discussed. Temporal variations of climate in the Chinese Loess Plateau through the past 3 million years and a linkage between the regional and global climate change on a glacial cycle scale is proposed in Chapter 6. In Chapter 7, the possible influence of mid-ocean ridge processes on glacial cyclicity is investigated with a finite-element elastic spheric model of the Earth. Chapter 8 is comprised of conclusions and future work.

1.4. General Physiography and Geologic Setting

The Chinese Loess Plateau is located in central to western China, with an area of about 440,000 km² (Liu et al., 1985). The Qilian Mountains and the Qinling Mountains form the southern boundaries of the loess plateau, while the Taihang Mountains (a natural obstacle for northwesterly winds), form the east border of the plateau. In the northwestern regions the loess plateau links up with the deserts of northwestern China. The main body of the plateau is distributed within the area between 35-40°N and 100-115°E, comprising a loess belt extending NWW-SEE (Figure 1-1). Presently, the climate in this region varies from semi-humid in the southeast to semi-arid in the northwest, a climatic transition regime between humid and arid zones. The mean annual precipitation in the southernmost region is 600 to 700 mm and decreases to about 250 mm in the

Figure 1-1. Distribution of the Chinese Loess Plateau. Locations of the important sections mentioned in the thesis are indicated. The outlined square denotes the major study area and is shown in Figure 1-3. (from Liu et al., 1989).

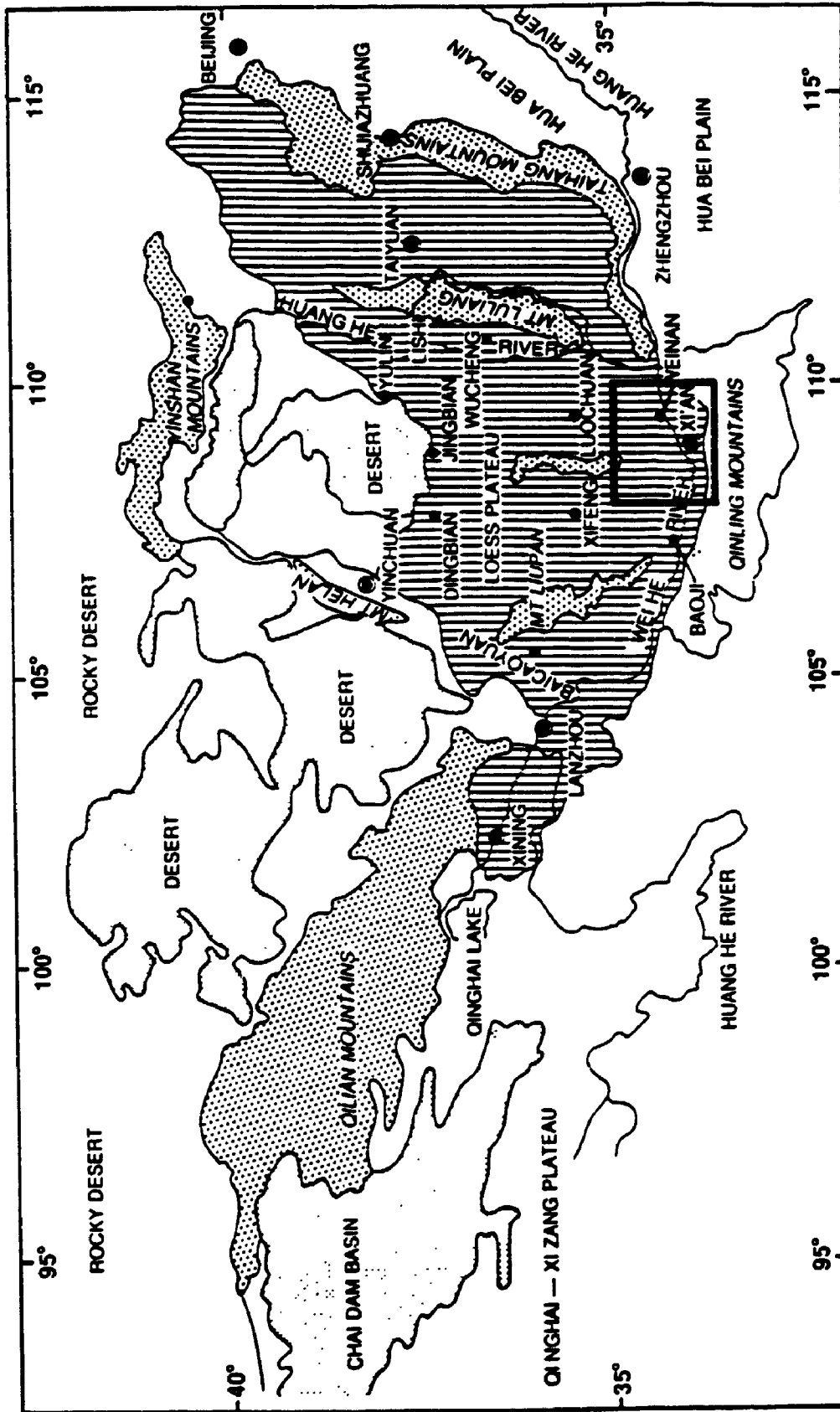


Figure 1-2. Distribution of the mean annual rainfall (mm) in the Loess Plateau.

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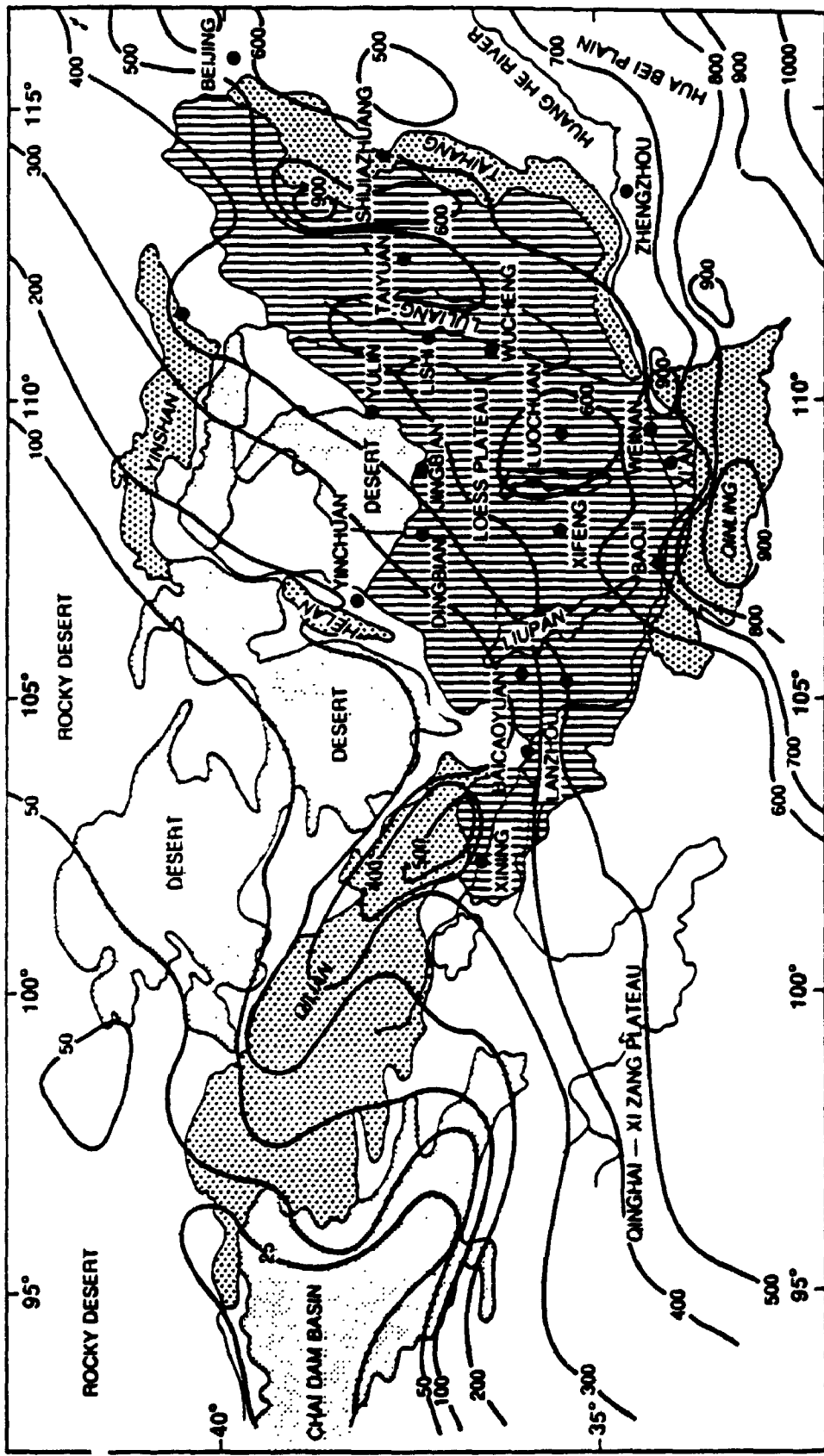
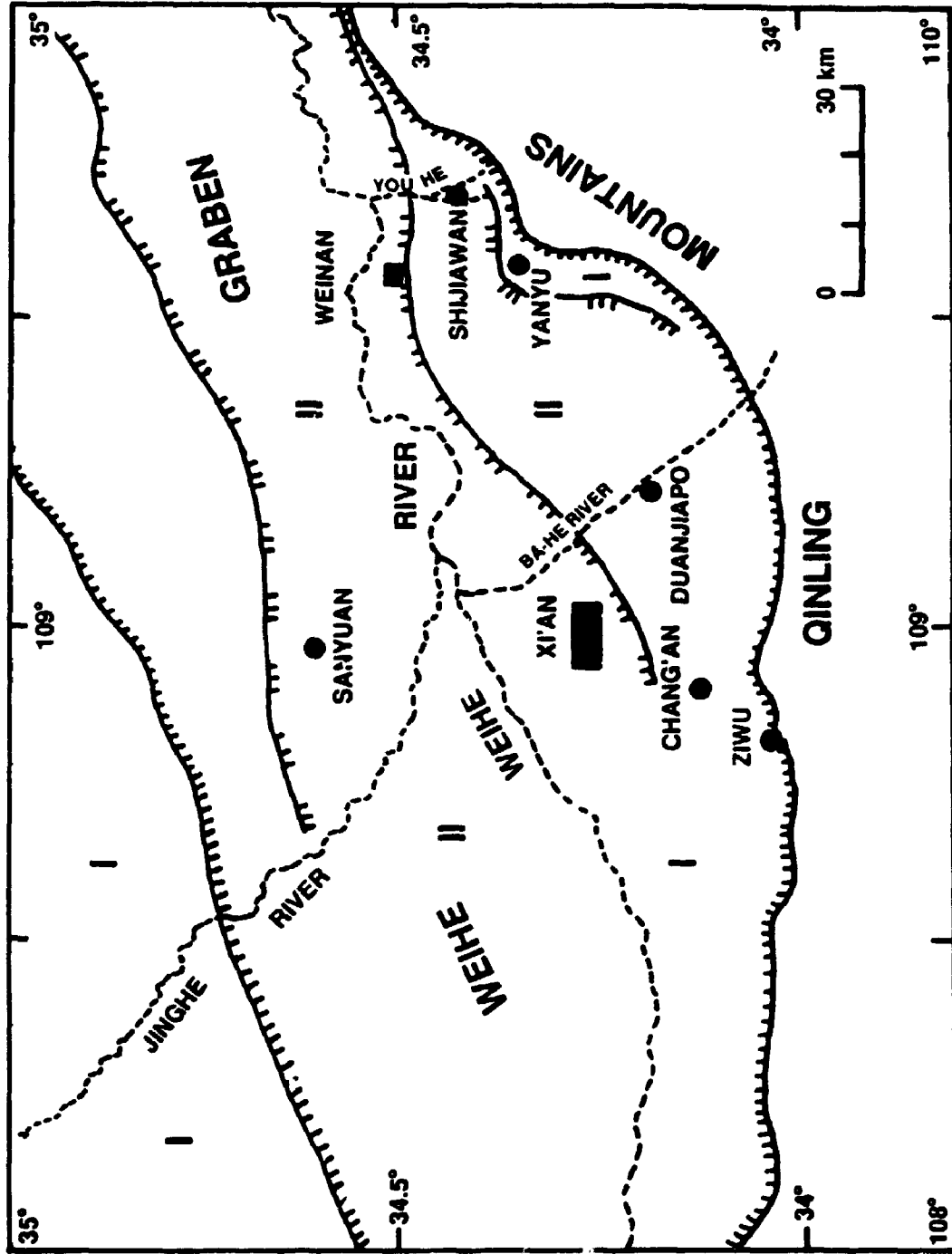


Figure 1-3. Map of the major study area showing locations of the Qinling Mountains and the Guanzhong Basin. The ticked lines show the normal faults defining the margins of the Weihe Graben (Guanzhong Basin). Symbol I, distribution areas of the red clay formation; symbol II, distribution areas of late Pliocene fluviolacustrine sequences. (produced from satellite images of 1975 and China Map Press, 1984).



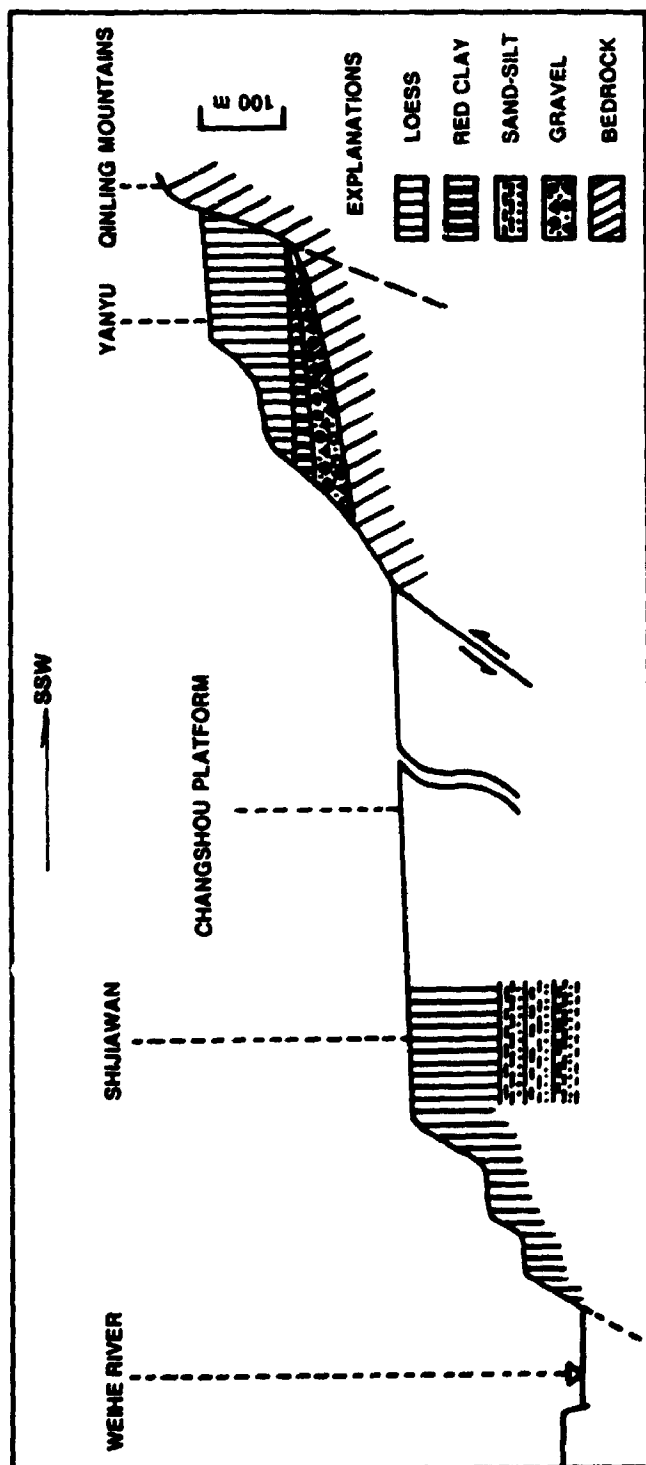
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northwestern regions near the deserts (see Figure 1-2). The change in annual temperature is similar to the change in precipitation, decreasing northwestwards across the loess plateau.

The major study area is in the southern part of the central loess plateau, the Weihe basin (Guanzhong Basin). The Weihe river lies in a median line of the basin from west to east (Figure 1-3) and links to the Huanghe (Yellow) river as a first grade major tributary (see Figure 1-1). The basin is characterized by wide and smooth terraces mainly composed of reworked loess. On the north side of the river, mega-terraces constitute the major body of the Guanzhong Plain, and each terrace is about 10 km in width. On the south side, the basin is segmented by tributaries of the Weihe river and divided into platform belts (see Plate 1-1).

The Weihe graben was formed in the early Cenozoic (Chinese Academy of Geology, 1974), but a faulting event along the Ba-he river can be speculated to have occurred about 5 million years ago (cf. Zheng et al., 1991). This is manifested by the difference in lithostratigraphy between both sides of the river. On the western side, the bedrock is overlain by the red clay formation and subsequently covered with a loess sequence. On the eastern side, the red clay is absent. Instead, a fluviolacustrine sequence was developed until early Pleistocene as indicated by the Shijiawan section. The graben lake disappeared for the most part during the period of 1.5-1.8 million years B.P., and then loess was deposited on the fluviolacustrine sequence. Presently, the entire basin is covered with thick loess and interbedded paleosols. The Qinling mountains, the southern margin of the basin, also delineates the southernmost limit for loess deposition (Figure 1-3). The spatial distribution of the Cenozoic strata is illustrated in Figures 1-3, 1-4 and

Figure 1-4. Sketch of a cross section from Yanyu to Shijiawan. See locations in Figure 1-3.



1-5. Due to differential uplift within the graben basin, loess platforms developed on the south side of the Weihe river. These provided abundant natural outcrops for detailed geological studies.

1.5. Previous Studies of the Cenozoic Paleoclimate in the Chinese Loess Plateau

1.5.1. Loess Deposits

Through the work of many generations, the investigation of the Chinese loess has achieved significant progress. Over one hundred years ago, the German scholar F.V. Richthofen (1877, 1882) first proposed an aeolian origin of the Chinese loess (subaerial deposit). In the 1930's, Obruchev (cf. Liu, 1965) developed the idea of wind-blown deposition of the Chinese loess after his observations in Europe, central Asia and China. From the 1930's to 1950's, the Cenozoic strata in the Chinese Loess Plateau were studied and subdivided based on field observations and vertebrate fossils (eg., Teilhard de Chardin and Young, 1930, 1931; Young, 1934; Masukenkichi and Todatatsu, 1944). Systematic studies were initiated in the late 1950's by T.S. Liu and his research team. The major accomplishments of their first decade of study were compiled in three monographs, *The Loess along the Middle Reaches of the Huanghe River* (Liu, 1964), *The Loess Deposits of China* (Liu, 1965), and *The Composition and Texture of Loess* (Liu, 1966). Wide-scale field observations and laboratory analyses indicated that loess of all ages is very similar in mineralogical composition and grain-size. Over a wide spatial range, systematic variations in thickness and grain-size composition have been found, both decreasing from northwest to southeast. These characteristics lead to a convincing

Figure 1-5. Sketch of a cross section from Duanjiapo to Shijiawan. For explanations of the symbols see Figure 1-4 and for locations see Figure 1-3.

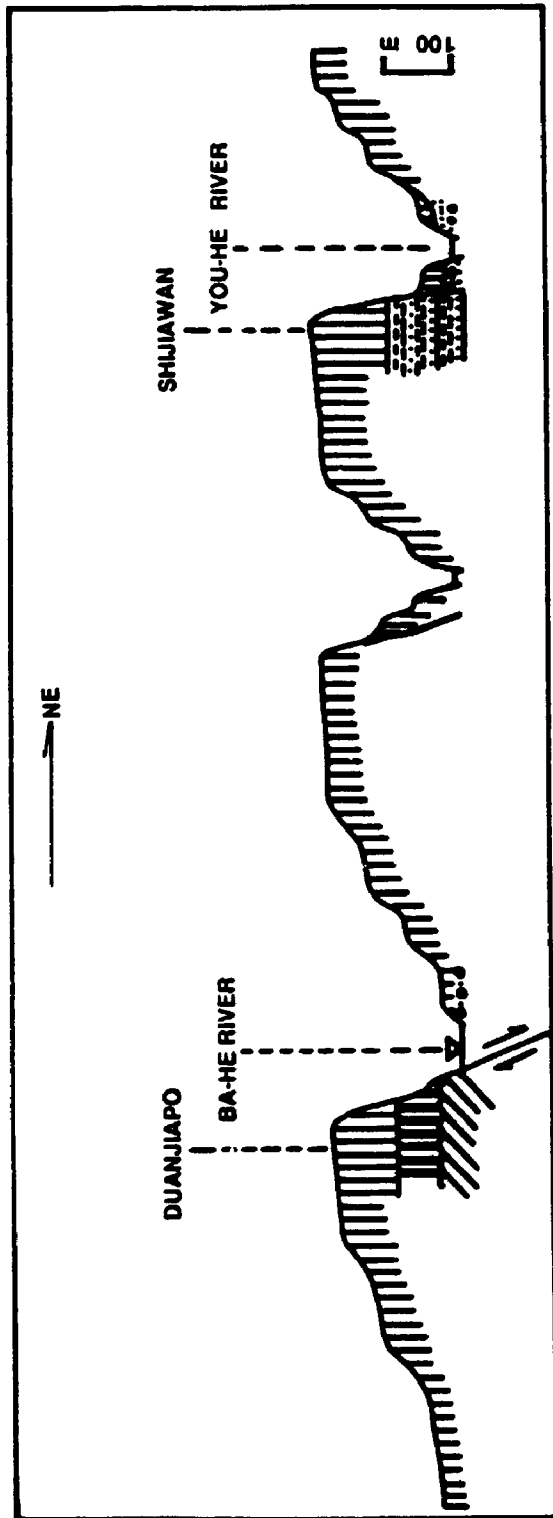
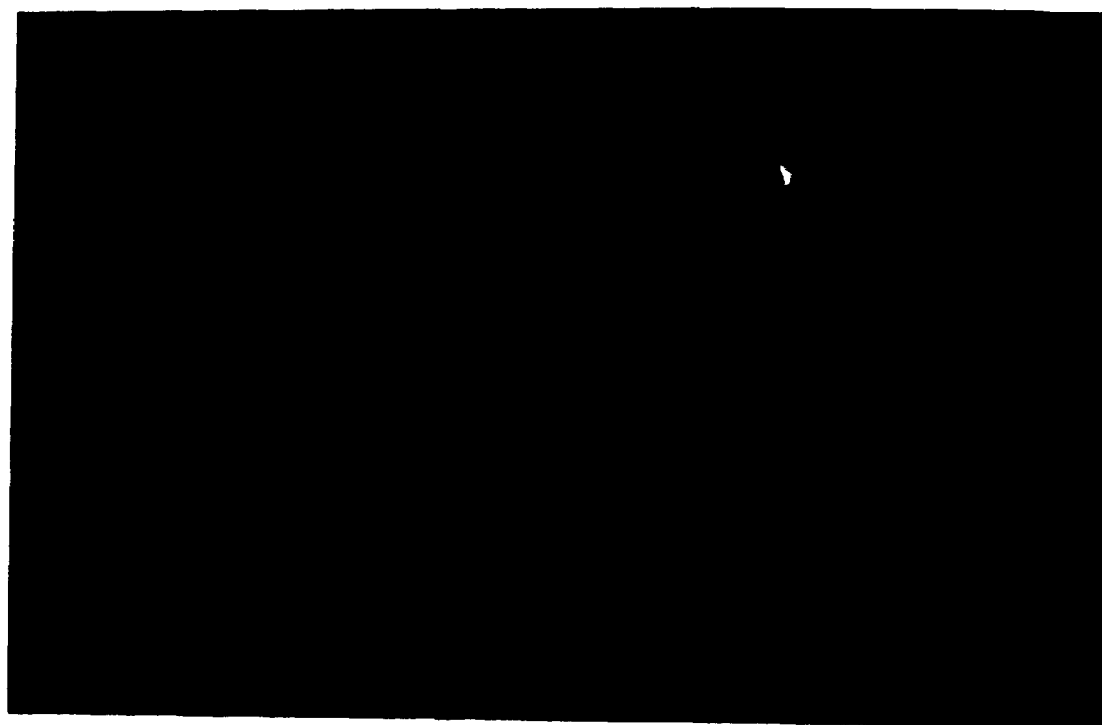
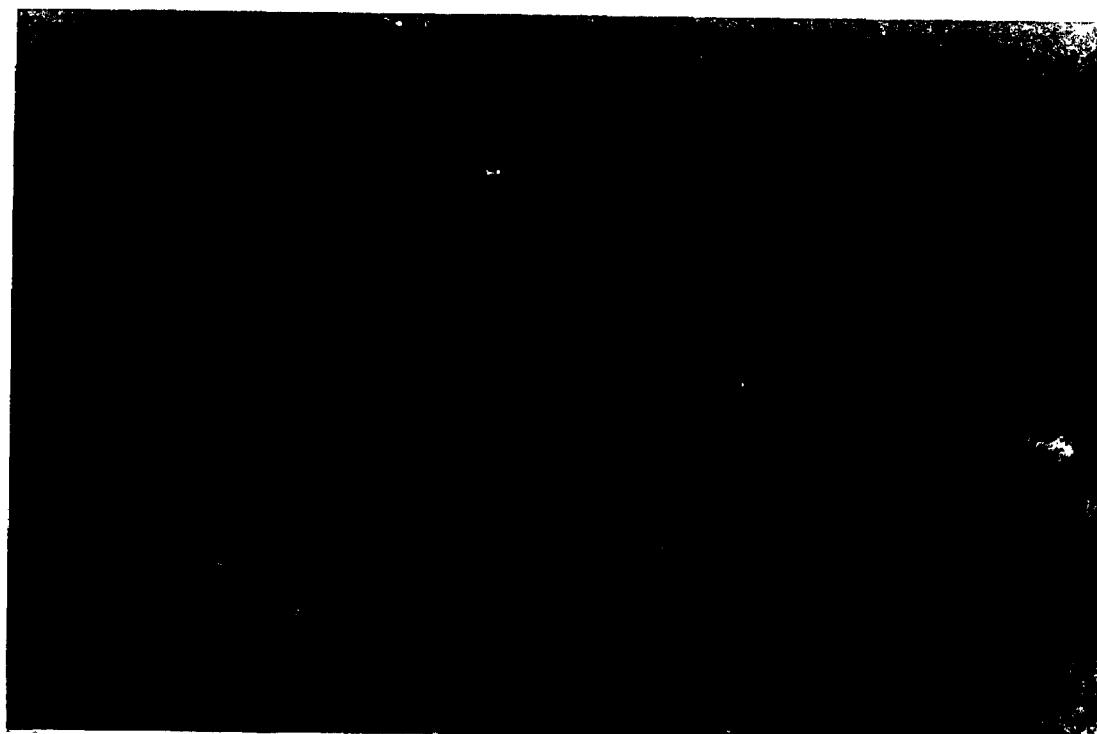


Plate 1-1. Photographs showing the south side of the Weihe (Guanzhong) Basin. The upper-plate was taken at Yanyu village near the northern margin of the Qinling Mountains (on the upper-right corner). The Yanyu section is shown at lower-right corner. Multiple loess platforms of the southern Guanzhong Basin constitute the southernmost area of the Chinese Loess Plateau. The lower plate is a distant view of the Changshou Yuan (platform). The Shijiawan section is located in a short valley cutting the platform.



conclusion that loess in the Chinese Loess Plateau is an aeolian deposit originating from the deserts.

Since the 1970's, Chinese loess research has concentrated on individual sections, and great interest has been given to temporal changes in various profiles. During this period, three major topics have been stressed: 1) chronostratigraphy of the loess-paleosol sequences; 2) environmental and climatic implications of the loess-paleosol sequences; and 3) comparison of the climatic record in the loess-paleosol sequences with global climate change documented from deep sea sediments. The books *Loess and the Environment* (Liu, 1985) and *The Recent Research of Loess in China* (Sasajima and Wang, 1984) represent the major achievements obtained in 1970s. After an international workshop on loess research in Xi'an in 1985, research on the Chinese loess-paleosol sequences was rejuvenated and characterized by global cooperation (Liu, 1987, 1991). The key sections with detailed studies are at Luochuan (Heimugou), Xifeng, Xi'an (Liujiapo) and Baoji (locations shown in Figure 1.1). The main conclusions were:

1. The accumulation of the Chinese loess sequence started at about 2.4 Ma B.P. in the Luochuan section (Heller and Liu, 1982) and at approximately 2.5 Ma B.P. in other sections (Sun et al., 1985, Ding et al., 1990);

2. The climatic fluctuations recorded in the loess-paleosol sequences are indicated by mineralogy, grain-size and chemical compositions (Liu and Yuan, 1987) and also by pedogenic studies. The loess layers and paleosols represent cold-dry and warm-wet climate episodes respectively (Liu, 1985; Ding, 1988; Guo, et al., 1991). The amplitude of the climatic fluctuations are manifested by variations of magnetic susceptibility along loess profiles (Heller and Liu, 1986; Liu et al., 1988, 1991; Wang et al., 1990; Maher

and Thompson, 1991, 1992).

3. The climatic oscillations recorded in the loess-paleosol sequences are well correlated with the variations of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in deep sea sediments (Liu and Yuan, 1987; Liu, 1988, 1991; Heller et al., 1987; Kukla, 1987; Ding et al., 1991; An et al., 1991; Maher and Thompson, 1992), suggesting that the Chinese loess-paleosol sequences completely reflect the climate changes throughout the past 2.5 million years and indicate a global significance of the regional climate oscillations.

1.5.2. Red Clay Formations and Fluviolacustrine Sequences

In the early part of the century, the red clay formations in North China were subdivided according to field observations and vertebrate fossils (Anderson, 1923; Teilhard de Chardin and Young, 1930, 1931; Young, 1934a). The pink-red clay was named the Jingle Formation and ascribed as late Pliocene in age. Meanwhile, another red clay formation was identified as the Baode formation, which differed from the Jingle Formation by its dark-red colour, and was considered to be early Pliocene in age.

These red clay formations were interpreted to have been formed in a rather warm and humid climate and were thought to be fluviolacustrine in origin or formed by oxidation of lacustrine sediments. Similar conclusions were obtained by later studies (eg., Pei et al., 1963; Li et al., 1984; Mo and Derbyshire, 1991; Chen, 1994), though the origin remains controversial (Liu et al., 1988; Mo and Derbyshire, 1991). Recent magnetostratigraphic studies indicate that the red clay deposition ended with the advent of the loess deposition (Zheng et al., 1991; Tedford et al., 1991; Chen, 1994).

The widely exposed fluviolacustrine sequences in the Guanzhong Basin were of

great interest, especially paleontologically, in the middle of the century (eg., Young, 1934b; Pei and Huang, 1959; Cao et al., 1966). The Sanmen Series (sequence) in the literature is, in actuality, the sedimentary sequence in the lower part of the Shijiawan section. Abundant vertebrate fossils have been exhumed from the silt layers throughout the sequences and a standard fauna named the You-he Fauna was established for the Cenozoic biostratigraphic correlations in North China (Xue, 1981). Chronostratigraphic work on this sequence started only after the paleomagnetic dating method became available. At this time, there was no constraint on the lower boundary of the sequence. The oldest stratum reached is about 3.2 million years at Sanmen Gorge (He et al., 1984). The age of the upper boundaries was reported to vary with locations, indicating a diachronous disappearance of the lake. The retreat of the graben lake began from west to east and from the south margin to the center (Sun, 1987).

In summary, although these have been some detailed insights into the regional climate and environmental changes through the past 3 million years, there are still some major questions unanswered, namely:

1. The origin of the red clay formations and their climatic implications.
2. The transitional change of the climate from late Pliocene to early Pleistocene.
3. The amplitude of the climatic oscillations in the Chinese Loess Plateau-- a more convincing estimation of the climate extremes, the worst and the best states.
4. The relationship of secular climate oscillations between the regional loess deposits and deep sea sediment reco...

1.6. An Overview on the Forcing Mechanisms of the Quaternary Glacial Cycles

1.6.1. The Dominant Theories of the Ice Ages

The driving mechanisms of Quaternary glaciation have attracted great interest in a broad scientific community. Over 120 years ago, astronomical forcing of glaciation was first postulated by French astronomical scientists (cf. Imbrie and Imbrie, 1979). Following this idea, Croll (1875) calculated variations of insolation caused by orbital parameters, eccentricity, obliquity and precession, and speculated that the glaciations should have occurred repeatedly. But modern astronomical theory of the ice ages has been attributed to Milankovitch because of the accurate physical description for the related parameters he employed and the precise mathematical approach (Milankovitch, 1941). A real renaissance of the astronomical theory of glaciation, however, began only after the first stable oxygen-isotope data from deep sea sediments were published (Emiliani, 1955) and the relationship between the variations in marine $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and the continental ice volume were confirmed by Shackleton (1967) and Shackleton and Opdyke (1973). The modern Milankovitch theory was essentially established by the work of Hays et al. (1976), Berger (1976), Imbrie and Imbrie (1979, 1980), CLIMAP Project Members (1981), and Berger et al. (1984). Later research concentrated on the linkage between the orbital theory and glacial cycles by tuning the periodic signals of insolation dominated by 41 and 23/19 kyr at high north latitudes to fit the geological observations of the 100 kyr cycle, and on the transmission of the regional signal of the northern hemisphere into global significance in the models (Weertman, 1976; Oerlemans, 1980; Birchfield et al., 1981; Birchfield, 1985; Denton et al., 1986; Peltier, 1987). More recently, an ocean-

circulation mode switch mechanism was proposed targeting the rapidity and global synchronicity of the last deglaciation (Broecker and Denton, 1989) with a rapid increase in geological findings (e.g., Bond et al., 1992; Lehman and Keigwin, 1992; Broecker, 1994). These theories are reviewed below and shown, with geologic evidence, that they have failed to explain many fundamental problems.

Milankovitch (1941) emphasized the ice-climate link by postulating that summer insolation anomalies near 65°N controlled ice-sheet oscillations. However, a severe difficulty with a simple linear relation emerged from the power spectra of orbital variations and the marine oxygen-isotope record (Hays et al., 1976). The orbital variations show the strongest power at the 41,000-year tilt and 23,000/19,000-year precession periods, and comparatively little power at the eccentricity periods near 94,000 and 125,000 years at 65°N latitude (Hays et al., 1976; Imbrie et al., 1984; Peltier, 1987). On the other hand, the marine oxygen-isotope records consistently show dominant power at 100,000 years and less power at the 41,000-year and 23,000/19,000-year periods (Imbrie, 1985). The 100,000-year dominant cycle in late Quaternary glaciations is characterized by a long period of ice-sheet growth with some fluctuations and sudden deglaciations spaced at about 100,000 years apart marking glaciation terminations (Broecker and van Donk, 1970). Hence, a puzzle facing the theory is that the dominant and asymmetric 100,000-year rhythm revealed by fluctuations of the late Quaternary ice sheets is not predicted by the Milankovitch hypothesis.

Time-dependent ice-sheet models can test whether this enigma is resolved by nonlinear ice-sheet response to summer insolation forcing at about 65°N latitude (Weertman, 1976; Pollard et al., 1980; Oerlemans, 1980; Birchfield et al., 1981; Pollard,

1982, 1983; Peltier and Hyde, 1984; Hyde and Peltier, 1985; Peltier, 1987). These ice-sheet models have many similarities. They consider a north-south profile along a typical flowline through a Northern Hemisphere ice sheet and neglect east-west flow. The northern ice-sheet margin is fixed at the edge of a polar sea. The southern margin and ice thickness are allowed to vary. Changes in accumulation and ablation that determine mass balance on the ice-sheet surface are strongly elevation dependent. The ice-sheet model is coupled with a geophysical model of glacial isostatic adjustments that strongly influence surface ice elevations and, in turn, ice-sheet extent, because accumulation and ablation rates are elevation dependent. Model input is summer insolation anomalies that are superimposed on the ice sheet by north-south migration of the climate point, hence changing mass balance. Model output is expressed in terms of ice-volume changes that lag insolation forcing. Experiment (model) success is measured by the degree to which ice-volume output simulates marine oxygen-isotope curves, taken to represent the actual ice-sheet fluctuations during glacial cycles.

In early experiments, the model ice sheet responded linearly to insolation forcing caused almost entirely by precession (23,000/19,000 year) and obliquity (41,000 year); response at the 100,000-year frequency was negligible (Weertman, 1976; Pollard et al., 1980). The results of subsequent experiments more closely simulated the marine oxygen-isotope record, largely because a time lag for isostatic deformation caused amplification of some ice-sheet retreat phases (Oerlemans, 1980; Birchfield et al., 1981). But even these modeling experiments showed differing results that depend on the time scale of isostatic adjustment (Peltier, 1982). Some of the existing weaknesses (not enough 100,000-year spectral power and incomplete ice-sheet recession during interglaciations)

were rectified by adding a calving term that accentuated rapid retreat each 100,000 years (Pollard, 1982, 1983, 1984; Birchfield, 1985).

The most recent version of the ice-sheet model emphasizes the role of glacial isostasy in producing glacial terminations (Peltier and Hyde, 1984; Hyde and Peltier, 1985; Peltier, 1987). With a new description of glacial isostatic adjustment that is particularly sensitive to the choice of mantle viscosity, this version gives an adequate replication of the marine oxygen-isotope record (Peltier and Hyde, 1984; Peltier, 1987). The actual mechanism that produces terminations depends critically on accentuated isostatic sinking beneath maximum ice-sheet loads. Once this situation is achieved, a positive summer insolation anomaly forces the southern margin of the ice sheet to retreat into the low-elevation depression that is maintained by delayed isostatic response. This causes a sharply negative mass balance because of the strong dependence of ablation on elevation. The resulting steeper ice slope caused by enhanced ablation induces southward ice flow greatly. Hence, northern ice is transferred into a low southern depression, where it melts rapidly. By this mechanism, the ice-sheet model produces a sawtoothed 100,000-year cycle of glaciation from higher-frequency Milankovitch summer forcing at 65°N latitude.

The ice-sheet model addresses only terrestrial ice sheets, despite the probable existence of marine ice-sheet components at the last glacial maximum. To overcome this shortcoming, Denton and Hughes (1983) and Denton et al. (1986) suggested a conceptual model of global ice sheets that incorporates marine mechanisms along with terrestrial dynamics. Sea-level changes initiated by the variations of terrestrial ice sheets were a critical interlocking mechanism among marine ice-sheet components in both polar

hemispheres. Hence, these marine components fluctuated in phase with Northern Hemisphere terrestrial components. An important result of this addition to the terrestrial model is that the Antarctic Ice Sheet fluctuates in accord with Northern Hemisphere ice sheets through a sea-level linkage.

While the last glaciation in the southern hemisphere was as severe as in the northern hemisphere, even for mountain glaciers in the tropical regions, and the deglaciations are globally synchronous (Porter, 1981a,b, 1988; Suggate, 1978; Skinner and Porter, 1987; Mercer, 1984; Nelson et al., 1985), which have been confirmed by studies of Antarctic and Greenland ice cores (Royer et al., 1983; Jouzel et al., 1987, 1989; Hammer et al., 1985; Lorius et al., 1990). Therefore, changes in the southern hemisphere paleo-atmosphere have to be incorporated into any explanation of the 100 kyr cycle. In the case of the ice-sheet-climate link, this requires that the Northern Hemisphere ice sheets drive global climate through a thermal impact on the atmosphere. In other words, for the model to correctly explain ice-age climate, Northern Hemisphere ice sheets must have transmitted regional Milankovitch summer half-year insolation variations near 65°N latitude into a global climate signal. Herein lie the difficulties of the ice-climate link. A general circulation model of the atmosphere coupled with a static mixed-layer ocean (Manabe and Broccoli, 1985) demonstrated that the climatic influence of large North American and Eurasian ice sheets was restricted to the Northern Hemisphere, and that expansion of the Antarctic Ice Sheet was not large enough to significantly influence the Southern Hemisphere's climate. The observation that the beginning of the last glacial termination is registered nearly simultaneously in both hemispheres including polar ice cores, argues against the ice-climate link, for it does not allow the time lag necessary for

Northern Hemisphere ice-sheet shrinkage to cause the rapid Southern Hemisphere warming recorded by the collapse of alpine glaciers. As well, the climate record denies that Milankovitch summer insolation anomalies directly caused ice recession of the last deglaciation because of nearly identical timing and severity of the onset of the last termination in both hemispheres where summer insolation anomalies are opposite. Furthermore, unlike North American ice sheets, Southern Hemisphere alpine glaciers collapsed under opposite insolation forcing with little or no role played by delayed isostatic sinking, but both collapses were simultaneous.

To overcome these difficulties, an ocean-circulation mode switch mechanism was postulated (Broecker and Denton, 1989). This concept is based on the studies of paleo-ocean nutrient distribution patterns traced from foraminiferal tests which had inhabited the ocean at various depths. It is revealed that the vertical distribution patterns during the last glacial period are quite different from today (Boyle and Keigwin, 1987; Duplessy et al., 1988). Therefore, this study reached the conclusion that deepwater circulation of the North Atlantic Ocean was probably shut down or greatly reduced during glacial periods. This is confirmed by the most recent studies (Bond et al., 1992, 1993; Lehman et al., 1994; Blanchon and Shaw, 1995), though a controversy on the intensity of the circulation has arisen (Venum et al., 1992; Lehman and Keigwin, 1992; Fichefet et al., 1994; Rahmstorf, 1994). The ocean-circulation-climate linkage emphasizes the importance of North Atlantic deep water circulation in maintaining the climate of the region and adjacent areas, and its critical role in the fluctuations of North American and European ice sheets. It is suggested that massive meltwater from North American ice sheets discharged into the ocean, diluted the salinity of the surface water and interrupted

Atlantic deep water production thus causing the Atlantic conveyor belt to shut down, which is exemplified by the Younger Dryas cold event. In this situation, the Atlantic deep water circulation led the regional climate to global significance through energy balance in the sea and influence on the atmosphere (Blanchon and Shaw, 1995).

1.6.2. Critical Problems

Although orbital parameters have largely been accepted as the primary forcing in the Quaternary glacial-interglacial climate oscillations, this theory is challenged by many critical problems. The ocean circulation mode switch model adequately explains global synchronicity and rapidity of deglaciation, which greatly enhanced our understanding of climate change. Some problems, however, still remain.

The secular variations of insolation induced by orbital parameters have no significant difference in amplitude and manner throughout the last 5 million years (Berger and Loutre, 1991), but world-wide glaciation occurred at about 2.5 Ma B.P. The dominant glacial cycle shifted from 40 ka before, to 100 ka after the Brunhes/Matuyama boundary (Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988; Kukla and An, 1989).

The glacial cycles did not follow the most powerful periodicity of the orbital forcing (Imbrie et al., 1984; Ruddiman, 1987) and were out of phase with the insolation variations (Broecker and Denton, 1989; Winograd et al., 1992; Crowley and Kim, 1994).

According to the ocean circulation mode switch model, the "Atlantic conveyor belt" probably closed down (or was greatly weakened) during glaciation periods. This would increase the temperature gradient polarwards and keep tropical regions warmer because the main pathway of surface heat transport in the ocean was locked. However,

this is probably not the case as documented by observations of similar cooling from tropical to polar regions during glaciations (e.g., Porter, 1981, 1988).

Studies of polar ice cores have revealed that the concentration of atmospheric CO₂ always changed in phase with temperature (Jouzel et al., 1989; Chappellaz et al., 1990; Lorius et al., 1990) and no time lag has been distinguished at present (Ruddiman, 1987). The positive contribution of enhancement of atmospheric CO₂ is undoubtedly accepted, but how could it rise so rapidly during a postglacial period? The biological pump mechanism does not adequately explain this phenomenon (Boyle and Keigwin, 1985, 1986; Boyle, 1988a).

I am of the opinion that one aspect has been ignored in previous searching for the forcing mechanisms of Quaternary glacial cyclicity. The heat flux at mid-ocean ridges from the earth's interior might play an important role in secular climate change. During the last glacial maximum, the global sea level dropped about 130 to 170 m (Hughes et al., 1981; Chappell and Shackleton, 1986; Shackleton, 1988), and most of this water was loaded on the northern hemisphere. Estimated thickness of the Laurentide and Fennoscandian ice sheets are on the order of 3500-4000 m (CLIMAP, 1981; Denton and Hughes, 1981). The effect of the massive ice sheet load depressing the crust can still be detected by gravity anomalies (Peltier, 1987). The rebounding uplift in central ice sheets (e.g., the Hudson Bay) reaches about 300 m (cf. Peltier, 1985; Begin et al., 1993). This implies that the massive load shift of the ice sheets between ocean and continents has profound effects on the global stress field and deformations of the earth's crust, and in turn on the magma output at mid-ocean ridges. Unfortunately, this has not received any serious considerations (see Chapter 7).

1.7. Summary

Previous work both on regional climate change of the Chinese Loess Plateau and on forcing mechanisms of global glaciations during the late Cenozoic provides the basis for this study, but also leaves many unsolved problems for further research. My thesis is dedicated to this task.

CHAPTER 2

STRATIGRAPHY AND THE CHRONOLOGY

2.1. General Features of the Cenozoic strata

The Cenozoic strata in the Chinese Loess Plateau include the loess-paleosol sequence, the red clay formation, the fluviolacustrine sequence and a cemented sandstone. The cemented sandstone is an early Tertiary sediment and is not included in this study. The nature of the contact between these sequences can be classified as two major types. The first contact type is that of the red clay formation, which is deposited on the cemented sandstone, and is overlain by the loess-paleosol sequence. It is exposed in Yanyu, Duanjiapo and Baoji areas in the Guanzhong Basin (see Figure 1-1, 1-3, Area I, the distribution area of the Red Clay formation) as well as in the central part of the Loess Plateau with various bedrocks (eg., Luochuan, Xifeng, etc.). This type of sequence covers most of the loess plateau. The second type is characterized by the loess-paleosol sequence which is underlain by a fluviolacustrine sequence without exposure of cemented bedrocks. It can be found in the central Guanzhong Basin as observed in the Shijiawan section, and is also common in many graben basins in the Shanxi province.

On a large scale, the thickness of the loess-paleosol sequence and the number of interbedded paleosols differ from one place to another. In the central part of the loess plateau, the thickness is about 170 m in Xifeng (Liu et al., 1987), 140 m in Luochuan (Liu, 1985), and 160 m in Baoji (Ding, 1988).

Large scale field observations indicate that there are some loess and paleosol units

characteristic of all sections. Thus they have been used as markers for stratigraphic correlation. The ninth and fifteenth loess-units (counted from top to bottom) are remarkably coarser and thicker, and are referred to as the first sandy loess and second sandy loess, respectively (Liu, 1985). The S5 (the fifth paleosol unit) is the best developed paleosol complex in the Chinese loess sequence and is a very useful marker layer. It contains three pedons with two thin interbedded loess layers. In most sections, the two lower pedons are truncated and slightly less-developed than in the upper one. Using these marker layers and magnetostratigraphic constraints, Ding et al. (1991) made a correlation of the loess-paleosol sequences distributed in the major Loess Plateau. Field observations for the present study indicated that pedogenic intensities and preservations of the loess and paleosol layers vary with location. Detailed stratigraphic correlations of the loess-paleosol sequences on a large scale must involve individual dating of each section and at least some independent age-controls are needed.

The loess/red clay boundary has been dated at about 2.4 to 2.5 Ma B.P. by paleomagnetic studies (Heller and Liu, 1982; Liu et al., 1987; Ding et al., 1991; Zheng et al., 1991). This age marks the end of the red clay accumulation and the beginning of the loess deposition. The boundary of the Matuyama and Gauss magneto-stratigraphic chrons occurs at the top of the red clay formations in Luochuan and Xifeng, whereas it is detected in the bottom loess layer in the Guanzhong Basin (eg., Baoji, Xi'an, Duanjiapo, and Yanyu). This discrepancy in timing of the loess/red clay boundary could be attributed to erosion or disturbance which may have occurred during the transitional period, as indicated by a sharp contact of the loess and the red clay or a thin sand/gravel layer existing between them.

Like that of the loess-paleosol sequence, the thickness of the red clay formation changes from site to site. It is about 60 m thick in the Lantian section (Zheng et al., 1991), 30 m in the Baoji section (Ding, 1988) and 10 m in the Yanyu section. In the central part of the major loess plateau, the lower boundary of the red clay is either not exposed (eg., in the Xifeng section) or poorly exposed as in the Luochuan section.

The fluviolacustrine sequence in the Guanzhong graben is characterized by alternations of silty clay and sand layers. The thickness varies from area to area, depending on natural outcrops. The age of the upper boundary is paleomagnetically determined as 1.8 Ma in the western margin and 1.2 Ma in the centre, as is summarized in Chapter 1. Therefore, the boundary-age in my study section, the Shijiawan section, still needs to be determined.

In this chapter, the study sections are briefly described, the dating methods and results are presented and discussed, and a regional stratigraphic comparison and correlation are attempted.

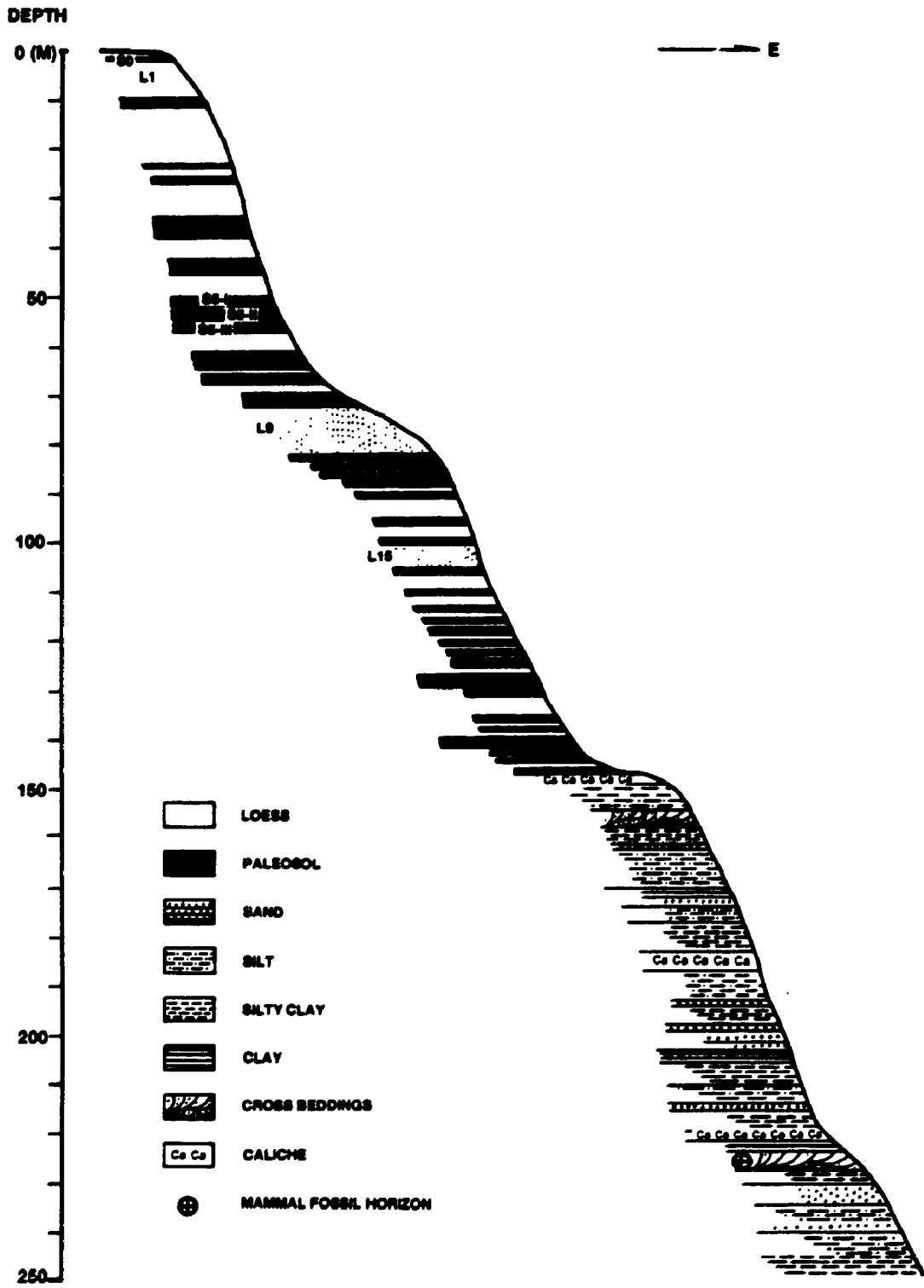
2.2. Study Sections for Paleomagnetic Dating

2.2.1. Shijiawan Section

Shijiawan village is situated approximately 20 km southeast of the Weinan city, 70 km east of Xi'an (see Figure 1-3). The Shijiawan section is 300 m northwest of the village in a deep valley at the margin of the Changshou Platform.

The section consists of a loess-paleosol sequence (in the upper part) and a fluviolacustrine sequence (in the lower part). The thickness of the whole section is about 250 m (see Figure 2-1). The loess-paleosol sequence contains 36 paleosol layers with a

Figure 2-1. The Shijiawan section, consisting of loess-paleosol sequence and fluviolacustrine sequence.



total thickness of 148 m. The "S5" in this section includes three paleosol layers separated by two interbedded loess layers. L9 (the first sandy layer) and L15 are characterized by loose texture, coarse grain-size and great thickness, and are easily identified. A rough comparison with other sections using the marker layers indicates that the loess and paleosol layers are notably thicker, but the lower part of the loess-paleosol sequence is not complete. The bottom layer would conventionally be classified as L27. The fluviolacustrine sequence is composed of silty clay and sand beds with a total thickness of about 100 m.

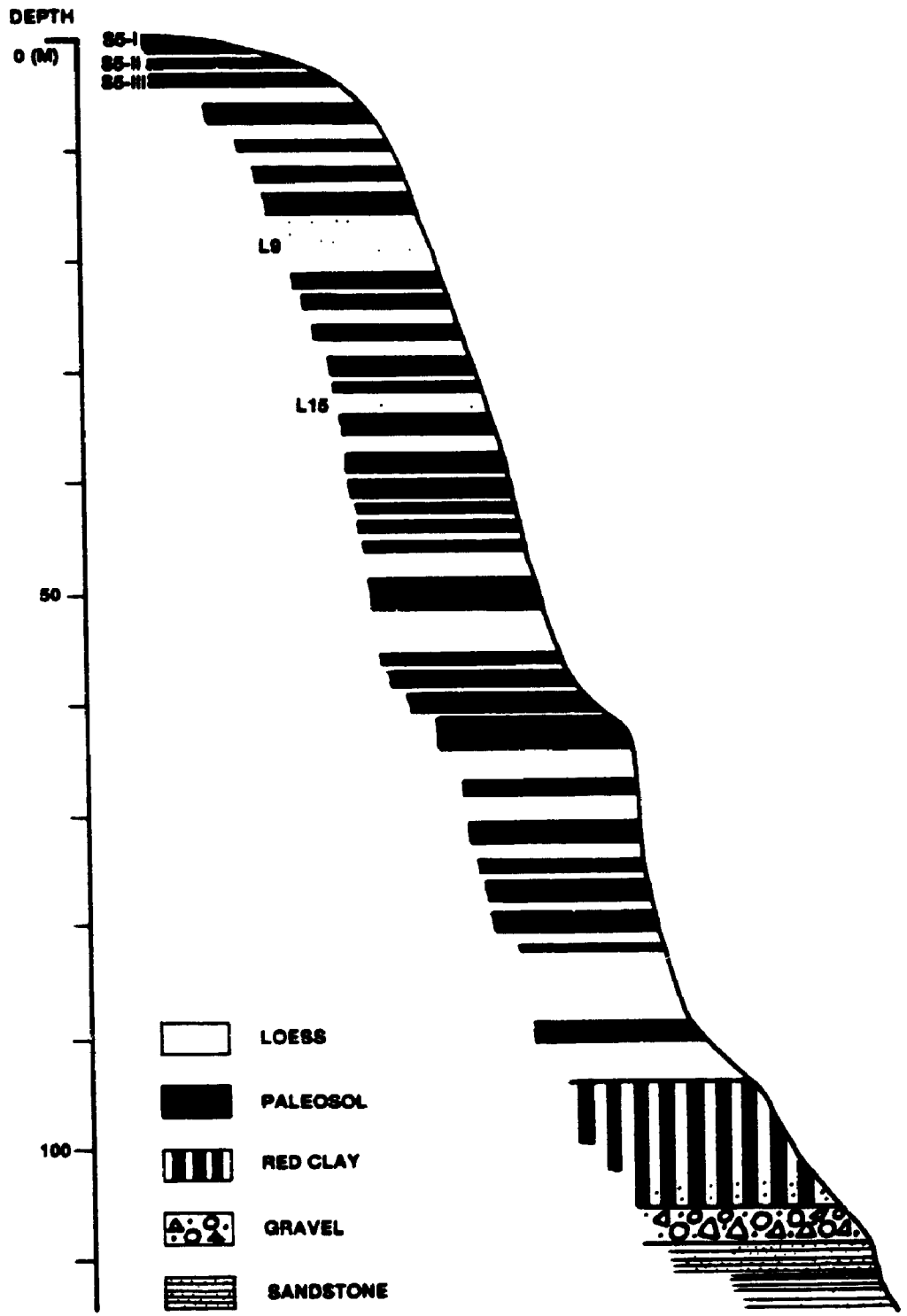
Samples were generally taken in 50 cm intervals for paleomagnetic analysis and in 20 cm intervals in horizons suspected of containing magnetic polarity reversals. A total of 486 vertically oriented specimens were collected from the whole section.

2.2.2. Yanyu Section

Yanyu village is 30 km south of Weinan city. The Yanyu section is located in the southeastern valley, 200 m from the village, and about 5 km from the northern slope of the Qinling Mountains. The local relief is featured as a mountain front hill. This section is comprised of a loess-paleosol sequence, a red clay formation, a sand-gravel complex and a cemented sandstone and mudstone.

The loess-paleosol sequence in this section is 94 m in thickness. Compared with other sections, the top layers above S5 are missing. The lower boundary smoothly contacts the red clay formation (see Figure 2-2, Plate 2-1). The red clay formation thickness ranges from 7 to 12 m (thickens from upstream in the south to downstream northwards). The underlying gravel layer, consisting of poorly-rounded and poorly-sorted

Figure 2-2. The Yanyu section, consisting of loess-paleosol sequence and the red clay formation.



gravels, is about 5 m thick, but transforms into a sand-gravel sequence downstream. At the mouth of the valley, it reaches approximately 40 m in thickness.

Beneath the gravel layer lie the cemented sandstone and mudstone which are believed to be early Tertiary deposits (Chinese Academy of Geology, 1973).

The visible difference between the loess-paleosol sequence and the red clay formation is in their different background colours. In contrast to the yellowish loess, the red clay formation is always pink-red or dark red through profiles (Plate 2-1).

This section has been studied magnetostratigraphically (e.g., Ding, 1988). The purpose of the paleomagnetic measurements was to confirm the position of the Matuyama/Gauss Boundary and to obtain the lower boundary age of the red clay formation in this profile. Some 32 vertically oriented samples were collected from the lower horizon of L32 down to the red clay in 30 cm intervals for the loess and top of the red clay formation, and 50 cm interval for the rest of the exposure.

2.3. Paleomagnetic Measurement and Results

The vertically oriented samples are shaped as cylinders which are 2 cm in diameter and length. Measurements were conducted in the former Geophysics Department by Dr. Palmer with a spinner magnetometer. The natural remanent magnetization of all specimens were triply measured by placing them up-side down for one week after each series of measurements. All specimens were progressively thermo-demagnetized in intervals of 50 °C from 200 °C to 665 °C or up to their measurable limit for the instrument in order to obtain a stable characteristic remanent magnetization (ChRM) as shown in Figure 2-3.

Figure 2-3. Orthogonal projections of natural remanent Magnetization vector paths of paleosol and fluviolacustrine sediment specimens with progressive thermal demagnetization.

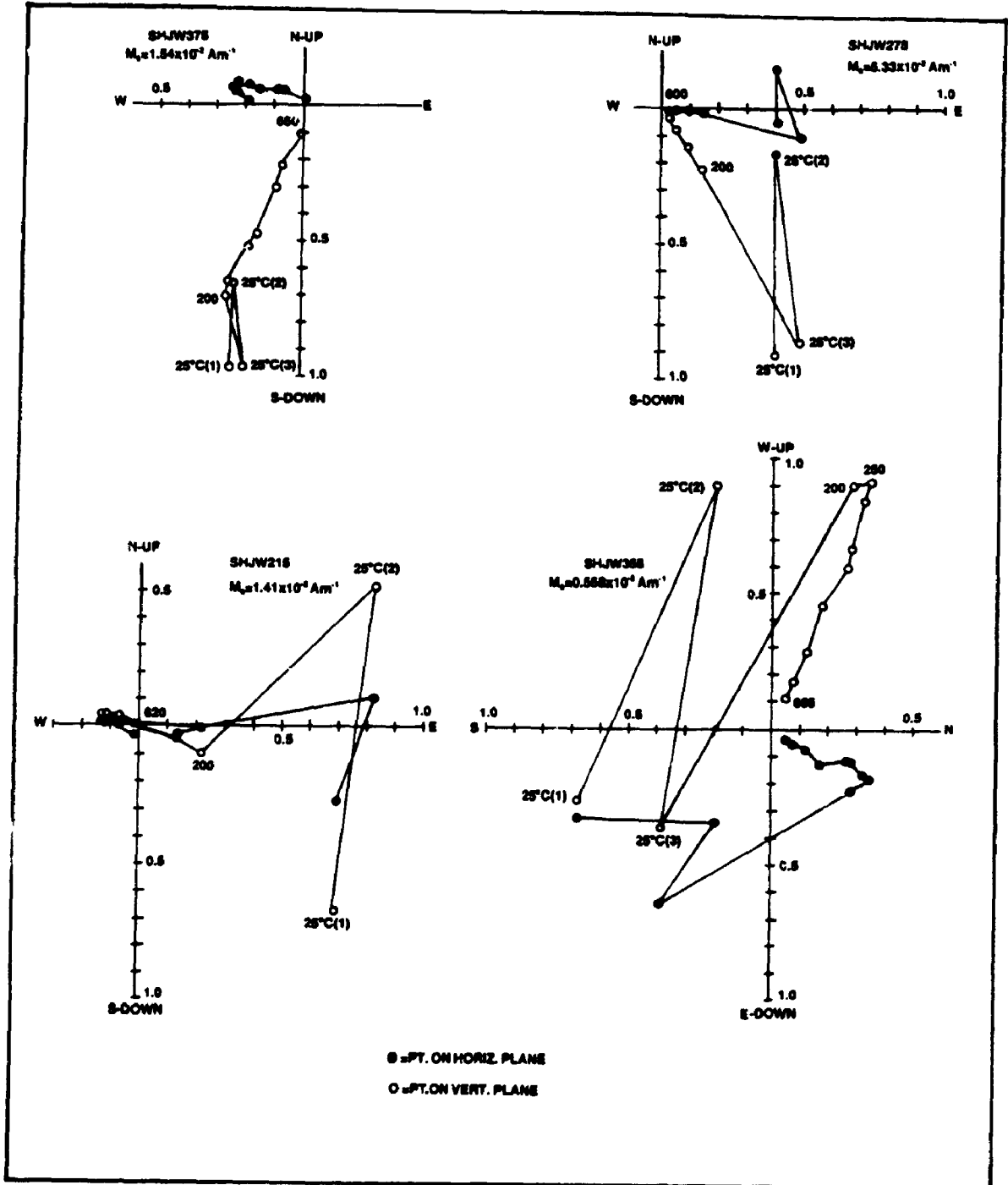


Plate 2-1. Photos showing a smooth contact of loess with the underlying red clay formation. Left, taken from Longhua, Shanxi province, east part of the Chinese Loess Plateau. Right, The lower part of the Yanyu section. The loess/red clay boundaries in both sites are pointed by black arrows. Above the boundaries are the loess-paleosol sequences and below the boundaries is the Red Clay Formation.



The ChRM polarity (inclination) is defined by progressive thermal demagnetization and plotted against depth (Figures 2-4, 2-5).

2.4. Discussion

2.4.1. The Brunhes/Matuyama Boundary

As shown in Figure 2-4, the first magnetic polarity reversal occurred in the upper horizon of the paleosol unit S8 in the Shijiawan section. This is consistent with the results from the Luochuan sections (Heller and Liu, 1982, 1984; Heller et al., 1987). Some studies on other sections show the boundary in the loess unit L8, just above S8 (Liu et al., 1987; Ding, 1988; Zheng et al., 1991). Heller et al. (1987) attributed the discrepancy to deviations of variable stratigraphic recording techniques applied by the individuals. This could not be the case because the loess bed L8 and the paleosol S8 are very distinct in colour and texture in most profiles. Field observations show that a short period of erosion is very common during the transition from paleosol to loess deposition as indicated by truncated paleosol layers. Therefore, very short events like the magnetic polarity reversals, could not be expected to have been recorded in exactly the same horizon in the whole loess plateau, and small differences are to be expected.

2.4.2. The Jaramillo Subchron

From S11 to L15 (between 90 and 106 m in depth), variations in the ChRM inclinations show a complicated pattern (see Figure 2-4). A similar phenomenon has been reported in the Xifeng section (cf. Liu et al., 1987). To avoid erroneous measurement, more samples were added and investigated. It was found that these unexpected polarity

Figure 2-4. The lithology and magnetostratigraphy of the Shijiawan section.

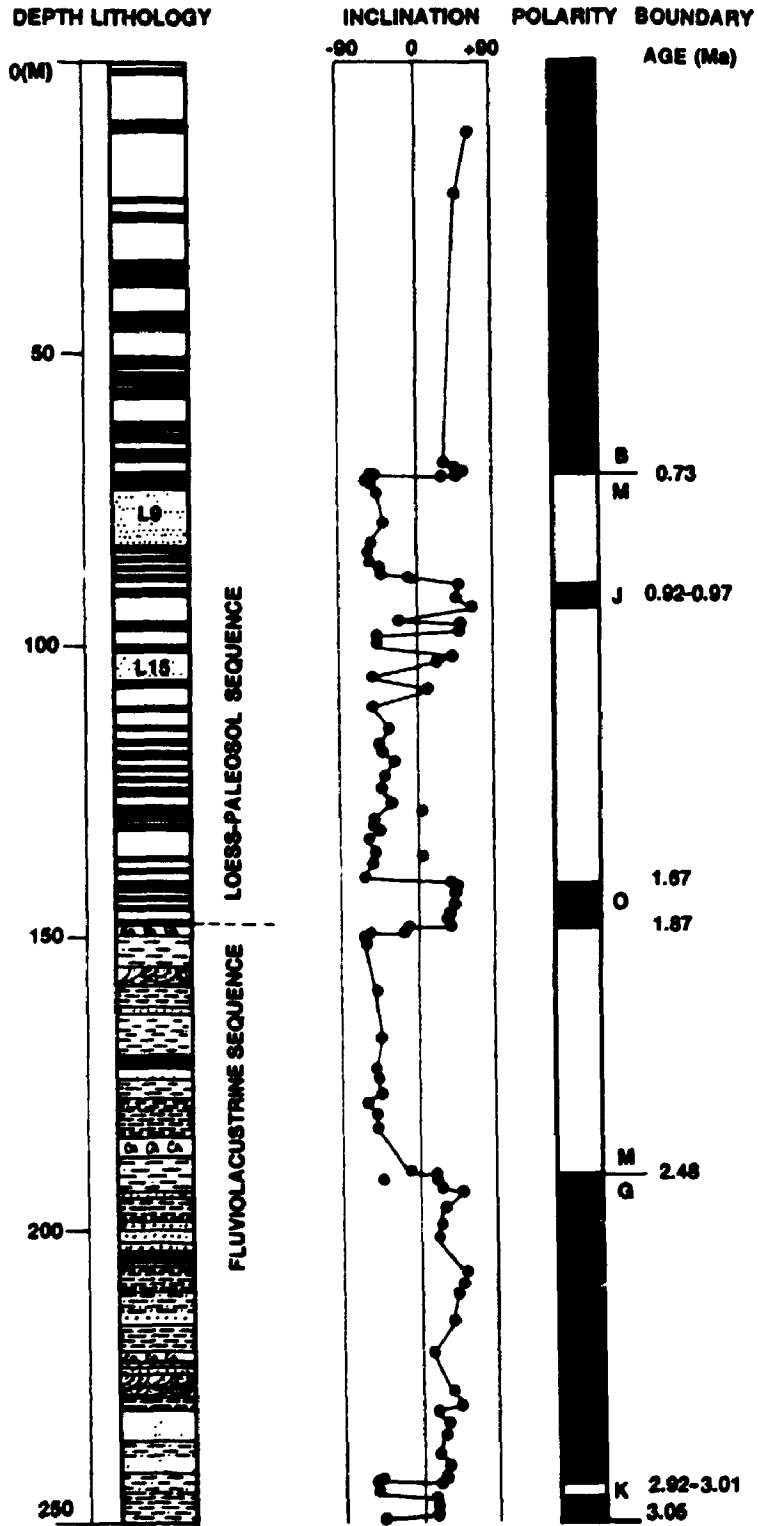
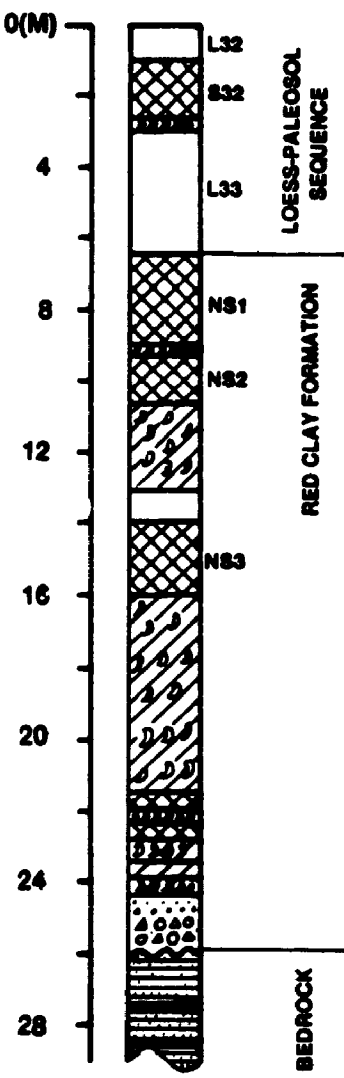
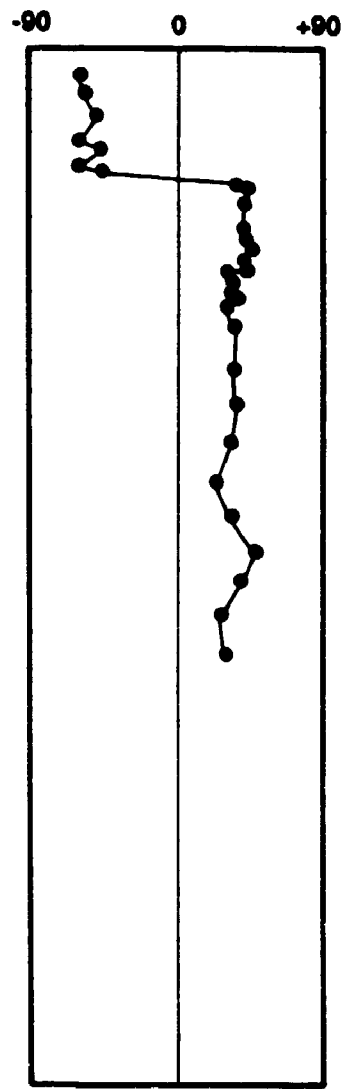


Figure 2-5. Lithology and magnetostratigraphy of the lower part of the Yanyu section for defining the horizon of the M/G boundary.

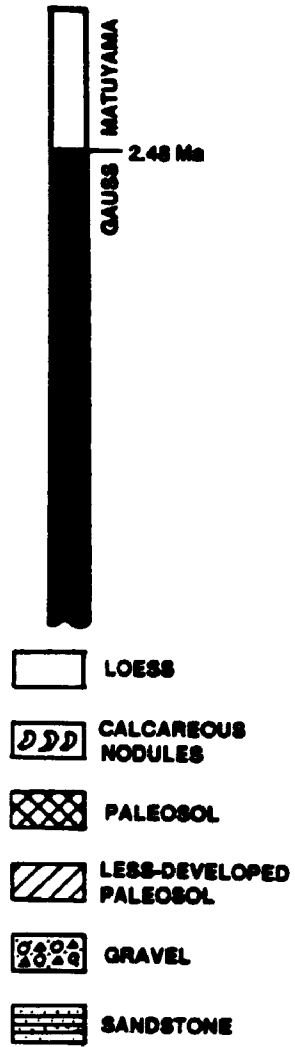
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changes are not the result of mis-orientation of the specimens. The fact is that the remanent magnetization intensities decrease very sharply when heated at 300 °C and soon down to the noise level when further heated during progressive thermal demagnetization. The reason behind this is not clear. As the Jaramillo subchron has a time-interval of 70,000 years, it should not span more than two loess-paleosol cycles. Therefore, it is reasonable to match this event to the normal polarity stage between the top of the L12 and the bottom of the L13 (Figure 2-4).

2.4.3. The Olduvai Subchron

The results clearly show that the ChRM normal polarity occurs again at 142 m in depth. It continues to 148.2 m in the paleosol layer, just above the lithologic boundary between the loess-paleosol sequence and the fluviolacustrine sequence. This normal polarity interval covers four loess-paleosol alternations. Thus, in this section, the Olduvai event defines the end of the fluviolacustrine deposition and the beginning of loess accumulation at about 1.9 Ma B.P.

2.4.4. The Matuyama/Gauss Boundary

In the Shijiawan section, the M/G (Matuyama/Gauss) boundary occurs in a sandy silt bed of the fluviolacustrine sequence (Figure 2-4). In the Yanyu section, the M/G boundary is detected in the bottom loess layer (correlated to the L33 in the Baoji section, Ding et al., 1991) above the red clay formation (Figure 2-5). This is consistent with the results from Baoji (Ding, 1988) and Duanjiapo (Zheng et al., 1991) in the Guanzhong Basin, but slightly different from the central part of the major Loess Plateau where the

M/G boundary is in the upper horizon of the red clay formation (Heller and Liu, 1982, 1984; Liu et al., 1987). A possible explanation would be that the central part of the loess plateau was subjected to a redeposition by water flowing during the period between loess and red clay, which is indicated by the erosion surface or a mixing layer of red clay with loess on the top of the red clay formation. Therefore, the present results lead to the conclusion that the loess deposit was initiated about 2.5 million years ago, a little earlier than the M/G boundary.

The question remaining is the timing of the end of red clay accumulation. Although the answer cannot directly be found from paleomagnetic results, field observations provide assistance in approaching this problem. As shown in Plate 2-1, the overlying loess is smoothly deposited on red clay as it successively followed the paleosols in the loess-paleosol sequence. There is no evidence indicating a large hiatus between them. Paleomagnetic results from the Lantian section show a 9 m thickness of red clay accumulated during the interval of 2.92-2.5 Ma B.P. (Zheng et al., 1991), similar to the Xifeng section (Liu et al., 1987). Therefore, 2.5 Ma B.P. has been chosen as the commencement of the Chinese loess accumulation and the end timing of the red clay formation.

2.4.5. The Kaena Subchron

Approximately 48 m below the M/G boundary in the Shijiawan section, an abnormal polarity zone is clearly demonstrated close to the bottom, which can be correlated with the Kaena subzone. It indicates that the oldest age of the fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section is about 3.05 Ma according to the polarity time scale

of Mankinen and Dalrymple (1979).

In the Yanyu section, the Kaena subchron cannot be detected. Though it cannot be concluded that the entire red clay of this section was deposited within the interval from 2.92 to 2.5 Ma B.P., for our sampling did not reach the bottom due to loose texture, the upper 6 m seems to have formed in this time-interval.

2.5. Stratigraphic correlations

A framework of stratigraphic correlation for the Cenozoic in the Chinese Loess Plateau is shown in Figure 2-6. The following points are stressed.

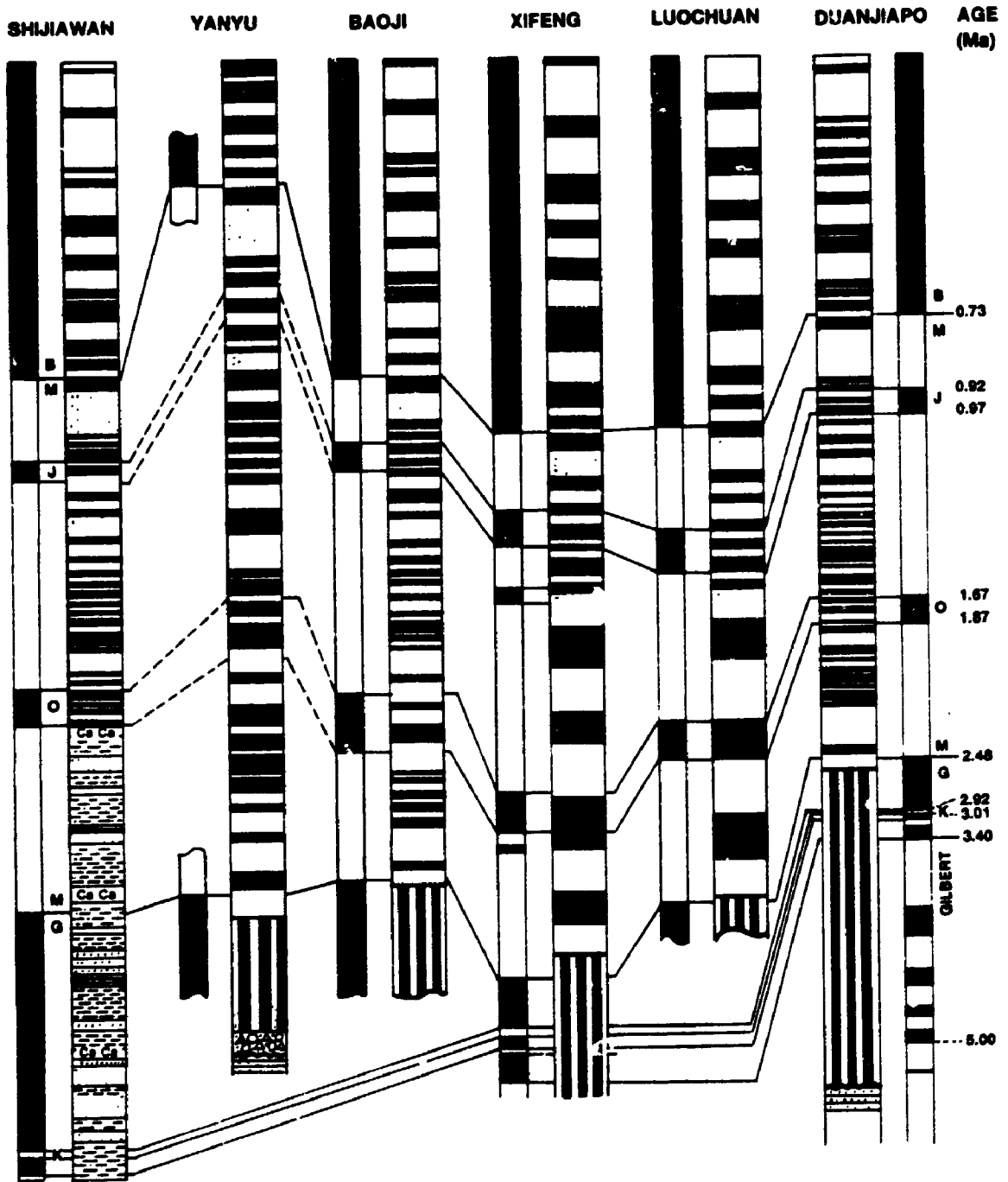
1. The Shijiawan section, representing the last 3 million years, accumulated continuously in terms of secular climate change. The lithologic boundary between the fluviolacustrine sediments and the overlying loess is dated at about 1.9 Ma B.P. Thus the fluviolacustrine sequence has the potential to provide the information for the climate transition from late Pliocene to early Pleistocene.

2. The Chinese loess-paleosol sequence follows the end of the red clay accumulation at about 2.5 Ma B.P. without any significant interruption. Erosion of the red clay formation before loess deposition is only a local phenomenon.

3. The loess-paleosol sequence in the Brunhes chron can clearly be correlated for all the established sections. The best developed paleosol unit, S5, consists of either one complex of multiple layers or a combination of three separate pedons, and can be identified without confusion.

4. As in Figure 2-6, the discrepancies in the magnetic polarity boundaries suggest different accumulation-erosion histories between individual localities.

Figure 2-6. Correlation of litho-, magneto- and chrono-stratigraphy of the Cenozoic strata in various locations of the Chinese Loess Plateau. Lithologic symbols seen in other figures of this chapter. Data from Heller and Liu (1982) for the Luochan section, X.M. Liu et al. (1987) for the Xifeng section, Ding (1988) for the Baoji section, and Zheng et al. (1991) for the Duanjiapo section.



CHAPTER 3
 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ SIGNATURES OF REGIONAL VEGETATION
AND RELATED SOILS

3.1 Introduction

Plants can be classified into three groups based on their photosynthetic pathways: C3, C4 and CAM. C3 plants, including virtually all trees, most shrubs, herbs and cool-season grasses, have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values ranging from -23 to -35 permil and average about -27 permil (Deines, 1980). C4 plants, mainly composed of warm-season grasses and sedges (Bender, 1971), are characterized by a narrow $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ range from -10 to -14 permil, averaging about -13 permil (Deines, 1980; O'Leary, 1988). CAM plants, of which the most abundant are succulent plants which grow mainly in conditions under water and CO_2 stress (Bender et al., 1973), have a wide range in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values that covers C3 and C4 plants. When plant tissues fall into soil or are deposited in sediments, they experience decomposition and the organic composition will change. But the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of organic matter generally remain close to that of the vegetation from which it is derived (Deines, 1980; DeLaune, 1986; Balesdent et al., 1987; Martin et al., 1990; Ambrose and Sikes, 1991). If vegetation is a mixture of C3 and C4 plants, the carbon isotope signature of the soil organic matter reflects the proportion of C3 and C4 plants in the total biomass influx. Therefore, the stable carbon isotope composition of organic matter from sediments has been extensively used for tracing paleovegetation and related climate (Krishnamarthy et al., 1982; Schwartz et al., 1986; Dorn et al., 1987; Guillet et al., 1988; Goodfriend,

1990; Ambrose and Sikes, 1991; Cerling et al., 1993; Sukumar et al., 1993). These results, however, have shown that the ecological and climatic significance of the organic carbon isotope signature can vary from region to region.

Previous studies on the upper part of the loess-paleosol sequence in the Chinese Loess Plateau have been reported by Lin et al. (1991) and An et al. (1993). But the relationship of the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ between vegetation and its related soil organic matter in the region has not received detailed investigation. Therefore, it is necessary to elucidate this relation if $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures of organic matter are intended to be used for paleoecological and paleoclimatic reconstructions of the region.

This chapter focuses on the organic carbon isotope compositions of modern plants and related soils in the Guanzhong basin, the southernmost part of the central Chinese Loess Plateau. In particular, the relationship between vegetation and related soils in organic carbon- isotope composition will be described, and the climatic significance of C_4 plant-abundance in this region will be discussed.

3.2 Regional Vegetation and Related Soils

The modern natural vegetation in the Guanzhong basin is represented mainly by two types, the semi-arid steppe and the semi-humid grass-forest. Today they have been destroyed in most areas due to long-period cultivation. Two floras minimally influenced by human activities were selected for this study.

3.2.1 Steppe vegetation and its soil

This type of vegetation is found close to Yanyu village in the Weinan District of

Shaanxi Province (109°33', 34°20', see Figure 1-3). The local relief is characterized by rugged loess hills. Annual rainfall and annual mean temperature are about 580 mm and 13.3 °C, respectively (Sun, 1989). The main floral components are herbs and grasses, mainly *Artemisia sacrorum*, *Artemisia giraldi* and *Stipa bungeana*, and shrubs, *Zizyphus spinosa*, *Vitex chinensis*, and *Lespedeza bicolor*. These are also the common species in the loess plateau as well as in north China (Institute of Botany, Academia Sinica, 1960; China Map Press, 1984; Liu et al., 1985).

Underneath the steppe cover, the modern soil is developed from silty loess. Pedogenic features are not strongly developed, with only A and C horizons present. Carbonates are only weakly leached and can be detected at about 10 cm below the surface. Scattered small calcareous nodules are formed at depths of approximately 20 to 40 cm (see Figure 3-2).

3.2.2 Grass-Shrub Mixed Forest and the Soil

The grass-shrub mixed forest flora is found on the piedmont of the Qinling Mountains, south of Ziwu village, 20 km south of Xi'an (108°53'E, 34°0'N, see Figure 1-3). Because of its altitude and topography, the annual mean precipitation in this area is about 200 mm more than the adjacent plain. Trees are the dominant plants, forming about 70% of the total cover. The major species are *Populus davidiana*, *Platycladus orientalis*, *Juniperus chinensis* and *Pyrus ussuriensis*. *Robinia pseudocacia* is a human-planted species. Shrubs (mainly including *Vitex chinensis*, *Zizyphus spinosus* and *Lespedeza bicolor*), herbs (*Artemisia sacrorum*, *Artemisia giraldi*) and grasses (*Bothriochloa isochoaemum*, *Bromus japonicus*) grow in open patches and only make up

a minor portion of the vegetation.

The soil profile in this site contains horizons A, Bw and C (the definitions of the soil horizons from Catt, 1990). The parent materials are slope-wash from weathered granites. Carbonates have not been detected in this profile. Clay particles have accumulated in the Bw horizon to some extent. In the C horizon, the parent materials contain a large amount of coarse sand and angular gravels. The total pedogenic thickness is about 50 cm.

3.3 Sampling and Laboratory Methods

Plant samples were air dried, and different organs (leaves, stems, roots etc.) were separated. Each sample was then treated with 5% HCl for 2 hours to remove carbonate, rinsed with tapwater, then dried at 80°C. After drying, the plant samples were ground into powder. Soil samples were treated somewhat differently. After removal of plant debris, the sample was ground and passed through a 100-mesh sieve. The sample was then treated with 20% HCl to remove carbonate and then washed with distilled water (the solution was centrifuged before being decanted). This process was repeated until the sample solution became neutral. The sample was then dried and re-ground. Tests using carbonate-free soil samples showed that treatment with 20% HCl did not affect the organic matter content or its carbon isotopic composition.

Acidified samples were mixed with pure CuO (plus Pt wire) and transferred into quartz sample tubes for combustion. CO₂ produced by the combustion was purified with cold-traps and then further purified by exposure to a sulphur scrubber. Its isotopic composition was measured using a Fisons OPTIMA dual inlet, gas-source mass

spectrometer. Results are reported using the standard δ -notation as permil (‰) relative to the PDB standard (Craig, 1957). Standards (NBS#21, Carbon Rod) were reproducible to better than $\pm 0.05\text{‰}$, and the average value obtained for NBS#21 (-28.09‰) compares well with the accepted value (-28.1‰). The reproducibility for duplicate samples of plant tissues and soils was normally better than $\pm 0.04\text{‰}$ and $\pm 0.20\text{‰}$, respectively. The larger error, obtained for soil materials mainly reflects the heterogeneity of samples with low organic matter content.

3.4 Results and Discussion

3.4.1 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ Values of the Floras and Related Top Soils

The results listed in Table 3-1 show that all tree species have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values between -28.9 and -24.6‰ . The *Robinia pseudoacacia L.* leaf has the lowest $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value whereas the *Juniperus chinensis* twig has the highest. Different tissues from the same plant have similar $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values. Leaves are usually enriched in ^{12}C by about 1 permil relative to woody tissue such as twigs and roots, a result that is consistent with previous studies (Deines, 1980; O'Leary, 1981; Leavit and Long, 1982). All shrub plants in the two sites have relatively low $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values, ranging from -27.0 to -27.9‰ . The difference in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values between plant organs is very small. Most herb plants in both sites are of the C3 variety. Their $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values range from -25.7 to -28.6‰ . Only one species of the major plants appears to be a C4 plant with a $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value -16.0 (see Table 3-1).

The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of top soil samples reflect the carbon isotopic composition of the modern vegetation (see Table 3-2). In order to understand how the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of soil organic matter are close to the source flora, it was assumed that each major plant species

Table 3-1. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of major plants in Yanyu and Ziwu areas.

Plant Species	Tissues	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰) PDB	Type/Abund. (%)
Plants in Yanyu			
<i>Zizyphus spinosus</i>	Twig + Root	-27.92	shrub/20
<i>Lespedeza bicolor</i>	Root	-27.03	shrub/20
	Twig	-27.14	
<i>Artemisia giraldi</i>	Stem	-27.09	herb/ 30
	Root	-27.30	
<i>Stipa bungeana</i>	Whole Plant	-25.66	herb/ 25
Plants in Ziwu			
<i>Plalycladus orientalis</i>	Leaf	-27.51	tree/ 10
	Twig	-26.49	
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> L.	Leaf	-28.82	tree/ 5
	Twig	-28.03	
<i>Juniperus chinensis</i>	Leaf	-25.83	tree/ 20
	Twig	-24.58	
	Root	-24.73	
<i>Populus davidiana</i>	Root	-26.75	tree/ 20
<i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i>	Leaf	-27.86	tree/ 5
	Twig	-27.66	
<i>Vitex chinensis</i>	Root	-27.30	shrub/10
	Stem + Leaf	-27.33	
<i>Artemisia sacrorum</i>	Root	-28.10	herb/ 10
	Stem	-28.40	
<i>Themeda triadra</i> var.			
<i>japonica</i>	Whole	-15.99	herb/ 10
<i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i>	Whole	-28.64	herb/ 10
Major tree species in North China			
<i>Quercus liaotungensis</i>	Leaf + Twig	-26.49	tree
<i>Pinus tabulaeformis</i>	Leaf + Twig	-27.16	tree

contributed its organic matter coverage-proportionally to the surface horizon, and the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of the surface horizon for the Ziwu and Yanyu sites was calculated using the following equation

$$\delta^{13}\text{C}_{s,h} = \sum P^i_{\text{coverage}} \times \frac{1}{2}(\delta^{13}\text{C}^i_{\text{leaf}} + \delta^{13}\text{C}^i_{\text{root or twig}})$$

Here $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{s,h}$ represents the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value of organic matter in the surface horizon and P^i_{coverage} means the coverage (see Table 3-1) for the i th plant species in the sampling site; the term $\frac{1}{2}(\delta^{13}\text{C}^i_{\text{leaf}} + \delta^{13}\text{C}^i_{\text{root or twig}})$ means that the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value of the i th plant species is a mean value contributed equally by its leaves and other organs (roots and/or twigs).

As a result, the difference in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of the organic matter between the measured and the calculated for surface horizon is less than 1 permil. Therefore, it indicates that the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures of soil organic matter precisely reflect the source vegetation.

3.4.2 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ Signatures in the Grass-Mixed Forest Soil Profile

The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of the modern soil profile in Ziwu are plotted in Figures 3-1 (also see Table 3-2). The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values along the Ziwu profile change from -26.7 at the top to -24.0‰ in the upper 10 cm, and then decrease slightly with depth. This variation could be explained by the fact that herb plant roots, especially of the C4 grasses, penetrate to shallower depths and that their residuals are mainly distributed in the upper horizons of the soil profile. Tree and shrub plants (all of C3 type) can reach much deeper horizons, and thus contribute a major portion to the organic carbon in lower soil horizons.

Table 3-2. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of soil organic matter in the Ziwu and Yanyu profiles.

Sample Number	Depth (cm)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰) PDB
Ziwu Soil		
ZW0	0-5	-26.71
ZW1	10-15	-24.03
ZW2	25-30	-24.37
ZW3	40-45	-25.38
Yanyu Soil		
YY0	0-5	-27.09
YY1	10-15	-25.86
YY2	30-35	-24.51
YY3	45-50	-18.81

Figure 3-1. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of organic matter in the Ziwu soil profile. Modern vegetation in this site is a grass-shrub mixed forest. The lower horizontal scale indicates the equivalent percentage of C4 flora, assuming a +1 per mil enrichment in soil relative to plant $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values. The end point $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values are set at -26 per mil for 100% C3 (typical forest) and -15 per mil (according to the local C4 plant $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value) for 100% C4 (typical grassland).

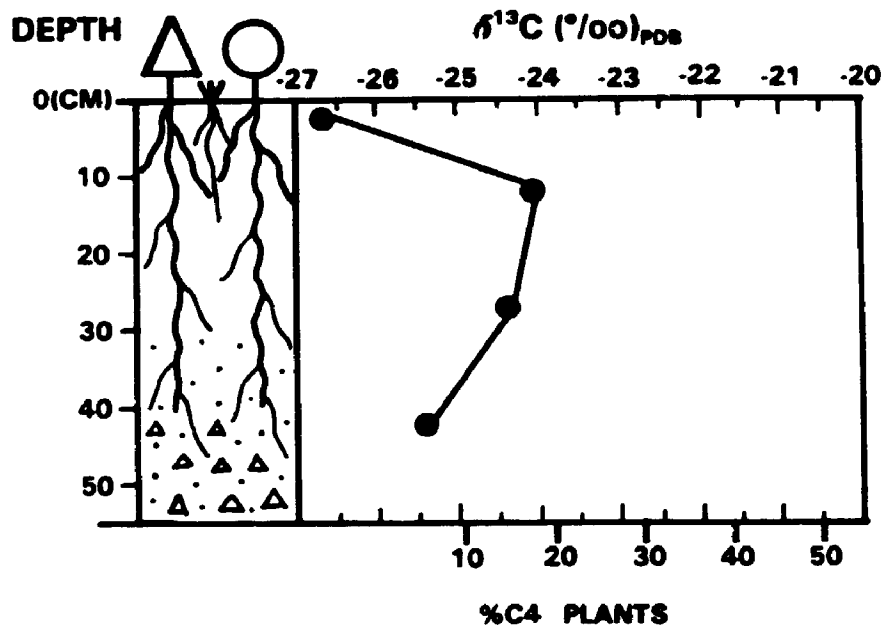
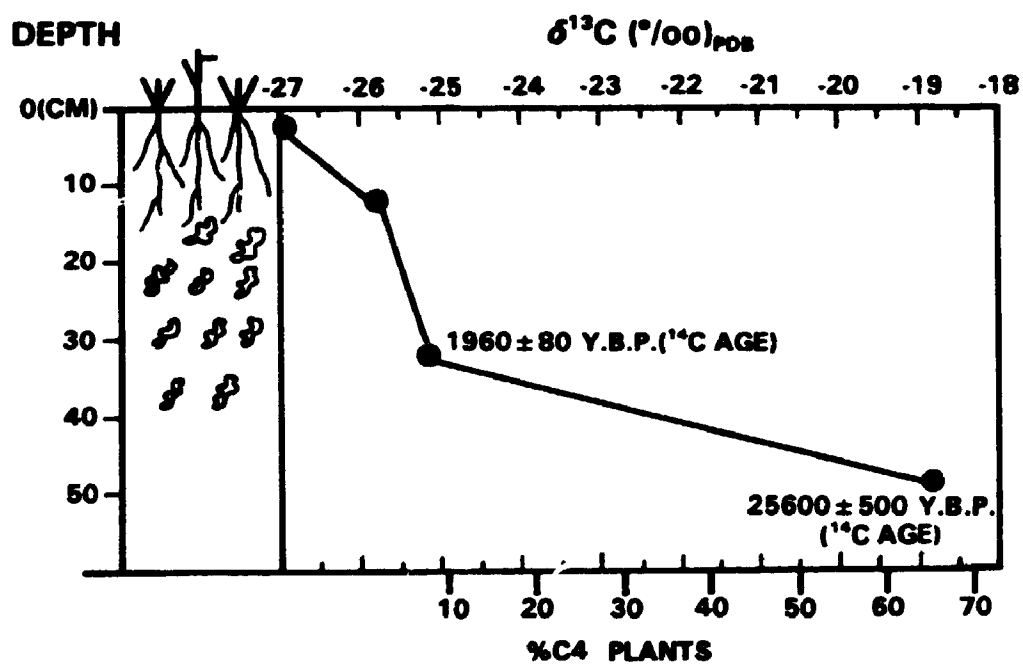


Figure 3-2. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of organic matter in the Yanyu soil profile. Modern vegetation in this site is shrub mixed steppe. The radiocarbon dating was conducted by University of Waterloo Isotope Lab. Explanation for the lower horizontal scale is the same as that in Figure 3-1.



Therefore, such patterns could be typical for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ variations of organic matter along a soil profile on which a grass-mixed forest vegetation (containing some C4 plant species) exists.

3.4.3 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ variation through the steppe soil profile

The Yanyu soil is vegetated by shrub-mixed steppe type. The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values increase with depth, from -27.1 at the top to -19.8‰ at the bottom of the profile (see Fig. 3-2). As shown by Table 3-1, all major plants of this site today have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values less than -25‰.

The change in the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value of organic matter in the deeper soil horizons cannot be derived from the modern native vegetation, as the soil organic matter may only be expected to have +1 to +3 per mil of enrichment in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values relative to those plants according to the discussion in last section and other studies (cf. Ladyman and Harkness, 1980; Becker-Heidmann and Scharpenseel, 1986). To explain these high values, C4 plants must have contributed a considerable proportion to the total organic matter at depth. For the Yanyu site, the C4 plant materials at depth could only come either from transport with loess materials or from native vegetation replacement.

The loess parent materials of the soil in Yanyu may have included some organic matter. The amount of organic matter transported is very low, normally below 0.02% as measured in loess samples. As the soils have a minimum of 0.5% organic matter, the high $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value cannot be explained by such inclusion.

Radiocarbon dating indicates that the organic matter in different horizons of the profile does not have the same age (see Figure 3-2), which would suggest that variations

of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values in the Yanyu soil profile may have originated from vegetational change. As shown in Figure 3-2, C4 plants contribute over 60% of the organic matter at the 45 to 50 cm levels (about 25,000 years B.P.), about 10% at the 30 to 35 cm levels (about 2000 years B.P.), and very little at surface horizon (0 to 5 cm). This shift pattern of the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values has been found in the Holocene soils elsewhere in the Chinese Loess Plateau (cf. Lin et al., 1991, Fig.2,3). This suggests that it is a regional rather than a local phenomenon.

3.4.4 Abundance of C4 plants and climate

Studies indicate that the abundance of C4 plants is closely related to either the minimum temperature or water supply during the growing seasons (e.g., Teeri and Stowe, 1976; Tieszen et al., 1979; Livingstone and Clayton, 1980; Young and Young, 1983; Cerling and Hay, 1986; Hattersley, 1983). In most cases, warmer and drier climates favour colonization of tropic or subtropic species, which generally includes more C4 plants. The climate over the Chinese Loess Plateau is strongly controlled by the east Asian monsoon, which simultaneously provides major rainfall and additional heat to the affected regions (Lin, 1981). Therefore, in contrast to areas controlled by the Indian monsoon, a warmer climate in the Chinese Loess Plateau means wetter rather than drier conditions. Thus, the definite climatic meaning of the abundance of C4 plants in this region should be investigated with care.

As C4 plants occur usually as minor components in the modern floras of steppe and forest in the region, it is difficult to directly constrain the climatic meaning of a C4 plant-dominated flora. C4 species in this region mainly are Gramineae, Chenopodeaceae

and Compositae etc. They are more commonly observed on unstable ground surfaces as pioneer species, which suggests that these C4 plants are more resistant to harsh weather. The C4 dominant flora colonized about 25,000 years ago which is close to the time of the last glacial maximum, should imply a cold-dry climate. Recent detailed chronological study indicates that that period is marked by typical loess-accumulation (Liu et al., 1994). Pedogenic studies have indicated a north temperate dry-grassland soil developed during that time (Guo et al., 1994), under a climate much colder and drier than today. The C4-dominant flora may also correlate to a low level of atmospheric CO₂ of the last glacial (Barnola et al., 1987) which could have promoted C4 expansion (cf. Moor, 1994; Robinson, 1994). Therefore, abundant C4 plants in the Chinese loess Plateau suggest drier and colder climatic conditions, not drier and warmer.

3.4.5 Concluding Notes

A stable carbon-isotope study on the modern vegetation and related soils in the southern Chinese Loess Plateau leads to the following conclusions.

1) Most modern plants in southern Chinese Loess Plateau are C3 varieties. The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values in the top soil horizon of the two sites investigated (Ziwu and Yanyu) are around -26 per mil, corresponding to the combined biomass flux of all plants in the local floras.

2) Apparent differences in the major contribution depth of plant roots between trees and grasses have been observed in the field and revealed in the stable carbon isotope data. The ^{14}C dating suggests the major contribution depth of modern grasses and herbs is restricted to within about 10 to 15 cm in the Yanyu profile, and this depth is similar

in the Ziwu soil profile.

3) The maximum value (about -24‰) of the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ in the Ziwu profile is found at about 10 cm in depth. This reflects the greatest contribution of C4 plants to the soil organic matter. The upper and lower horizons of the profile basically reflect C3 plant features with $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values around -26‰ . This $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ curve (Figure 3-1) should be typical for a grass-mixed forest soil profile.

4) The presence of abundant C4 vegetation in the Chinese Loess Plateau implies that the climatic conditions were drier and colder, rather than drier and warmer in the past.

CHAPTER 4

CLIMATIC FACTORS AND THE BEST DEVELOPED PALEOSOL IN THE LOESS SEQUENCE

4.1. Introduction

Chinese studies on modern large-scale dust storm events suggest that loess materials are dust, sorted and transported from the western inland deserts by northwesterly winds which are principally controlled by the Siberian cold-high pressure regime (Liu, 1985, Liu et al., 1981, 1989). The loess deposition rate was much higher during cold periods when the Cold-High was stronger, and formed the loess beds in the loess-paleosol sequence. Evidence shows that deposition was greatly reduced or nil when the climate was dominated by the summer monsoon (the winter cold-high is relatively weak) during interglacial episodes (Liu et al., 1981, 1985, 1989; An et al., 1993), and the surface loess was subjected to weathering and pedogenesis. Therefore, the loess and paleosol alternations of the past 2.5 million years show cold and warm climate fluctuations of great interest to Quaternary paleoclimatic studies.

Based on field observations, early studies of the Chinese loess confirmed that the "red bands" interbedded in loess successions in the loess plateau are buried soils (Zhu, 1958; Shi, 1958; Liu et al., 1959). Later, Liu et al. (1964) and Zhu (1965) showed that the loess has been deposited under dry-cold climatic periods whereas the buried soils formed during warm and slightly more humid climatic episodes than today. They showed that the paleosols could be classified into modern soil types which are typical of the

south. An early study of the paleosols and their microfabrics was conducted by H.Z. Zhu (1963), who found illuvial features (oriented clay) in the B horizons. Aiming at documenting paleoclimatic implications of the loess and paleosols, Lu and An (1979) first classified the middle Pleistocene paleosols (from S1 to S14) in the Luochuan section into five types based on carbonate content, $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ratios and micromorphology. An and Wei (1980) and Tang (1981) were among the first who applied and emphasized soil micromorphological features. They focused on the paleosol S5 and interpreted it as brown cinnamon soil (in Luochuan) or as a brown forest soil (in Wugong of the Guanzhong Basin). More systematic studies of the paleosols were made by Liu et al. (1985). They estimated the climatic conditions according to comparison of their pedogenetic features in micromorphology and multiple geochemical and mineralogical indices with modern soils. Stressing pedogenic diagnostic horizons, Ding (1988) modified the criteria for the paleosol classification and climatic factors for each paleosol layer in the Baoji section. Guo et al. (1991) investigated the climatic implications of the paleosols in the Xifeng section and reached the conclusion that a short period of forest development had occurred in Xifeng which is located in a warm temperate semi-arid to semi-humid grassland zone today. Overall, the previous studies of the paleosols employed similar methodologies (comparison of the paleosols with modern soil orders), and obtained similar conclusions, which is that the S5 was developed under a typical forest in the Guanzhong Basin. Though the later studies pointed out some fundamental problems in the earlier studies, they are still questionable. The following problems exist in the studies to date.

- 1) Climatic interpretations of the paleosols are based on analogy, but it is not known whether the Holocene/modern soils have reached a state which adequately reflects

the modern climate.

2) For soils formed in short periods, many pedogenic features are largely a reflection of parent materials, which means it is not appropriate to compare paleosols to modern soils which developed from different parent materials.

3) Even for the paleosols developed from loess, it is difficult to compare them until the pedogenic duration is determined; chemical weathering processes depend on both climate and time, even if other factors are similar.

4) Palynological studies failed to provide evidence supporting the conclusion obtained from the Luochuan section (cf. Liu et al., 1985). Thus re-evaluation of paleoclimate of the loess-paleosol sequence is still necessary.

Considering the climatic change in the Chinese Loess Plateau, our interest is in the oscillation amplitudes during the Quaternary period, emphasizing the best climatic conditions which had ever existed in this region during the Quaternary. For this purpose, the best developed paleosol S5 of the loess sequence was chosen in our study. This chapter presents evidence for its pedogenic features from field observation and detailed laboratory analyses of grain size, mineralogy, clay mineralogy, chemistry and carbon isotopes of organic matter for two S5 profiles, the Shijiawan section and the Chang'an section, and then considers the climatic implications.

4.2. Field-Observation Features of S5

Both profiles of the paleosol S5 from Shijiawan and Chang'an (see Figures 1-1 and 1-3) contain three pedons which are separated by two interbedded loess layers. Only the upper pedon has an A horizon, while the others were truncated, leaving the Bt and

Table 4-1. Field observations of the S5 in the Shijiawan section.

Subdivision of S5	Pedogenic Horizon	Thickness (cm)	Description
S5-I	A	50	Dark brown clayey loam, friable, medium granular structure; abundant pseudomycelia in the upper part that decreased downward; diffuse smooth boundary.
	Bt1	50	Reddish brown silty clay; friable, very strong fine-subangular blocky structure; bright red, continuous thick clay coating and black Fe-Mn film; smooth boundary.
	Bt2	80	Reddish brown clay loam, dense, firm, weak medium-coarse subangular blocky structure; medium-thick clay coatings without Fe-Mn film; wavy boundary.
	CCa	40	Grey to dark yellow loam; dense, firm. Large calcareous nodules cemented together. The individual size can exceed 40 cm with irregular shapes.
	C1w	40	Light tan loam; firm with light-coloured calcic pseudomycelia.
S5-II	2Bt1	55	Reddish brown clayey loam, strong, medium-sized angular blocky structure; medium clay coating with some Fe-Mn films; well-developed large cracks with white carbonate precipitates; diffuse boundary.
	2Bt2	130	Dark-brown clayey loam, strong-fine subangular blocky structure; bright-red thick clay coating with Fe-Mn film; progressively changes into coarse blocky structure.
	C2w	60	Reddish brown loam; dense, firm, weak subangular-blocky structure; intermittent thin clay coatings; diffuse boundary.
S5-III	3Bt1	95	Reddish brown clayey loam, strong medium-fine subangular blocky structure; bright-red thick clay coatings with abundant black Fe-Mn films; smooth boundary.
	3Bt2	70	Reddish brown clayey loam; dense, firm, weak, coarse-subangular blocky structure; discontinuous thin clay coatings. In the bottom, colour shifts to light-brown; wavy boundary.
	C3Ca	95	Grey-yellow loam matrix with large carbonate nodules cemented together; diffuse boundary.
L6	C3	310	Grey-yellow silt loam; dense, firm with scattered large carbonate nodules.

C horizons. Compared with the S5 in Luochuan, these profiles are notably thicker (cf. Liu et al., 1985). The pedogenic horizons of each pedon have been subdivided according to pedogenic features and are described in Table 4-1. The best developed paleosol layer of the S5 unit is the upper pedon (S5-I, see Plate 4-1) whose Bt horizons have the thickest clay coatings and the most abundant Fe-Mn film in the two profiles.

4.3. Methods

Bulk samples were taken from all pedogenic horizons of the S5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections. Grain-size determinations were made by the hydrometer method (cf. Catt, 1990). Mineralogy of the bulk samples were determined by X-ray diffraction spectrometry (XRD) and thin section microscopy. The samples were gently ground and reacted with 10% HCl to remove carbonate cement before attempting a clay mineralogical study. Clay fractions ($<2 \mu\text{m}$) were separated in a dispersing solution (5% sodium hexametaphosphate) according to Stokes' Law (assuming mean particle density of 2.65 g/cm^3). The separated clay fractions were saturated with Mg^{2+} by shaking for 2 hours with 100 ml of 1 N MgCl_2 solution, a procedure described by Catt (1990). The clay minerals were identified by X-ray diffraction on oriented slides. The chemical composition of bulk samples was analyzed by an X-ray fluorescence spectrometer. Trace elements were analyzed by Bondar-Clegg Geochemical Lab in Toronto. The ferrous iron content was determined by a titration method. Samples were dissolved in cold HF in the presence of a known amount of ammonium metavanadate (AMV), an oxidising agent. The ferrous iron present in the sample was oxidised quantitatively by the pentavalent vanadium, and the excess V^{5+} was titrated against standardized ferrous ammonium

Plate 4-1. Photos showing the paleosol S5-I. Left, the Chang'an section. Right, the Shijiawan section.



sulphate (FAS). The method is described in detail by Wu (1984). The organic matter was determined by a modified Walkley-Black method. The stable carbon-isotope composition of organic matter was measured using the procedures described in Chapter 3. The carbonate content was determined with the Chittick apparatus (Dreimanis, 1962).

4.4. Results and Discussion

In this section, the analytical data for both the Shijiawan and Chang'an profiles are presented. In order to avoid confusion, discussions are focused on the Shijiawan profile.

4.4.1. Grain-size Distribution

Granulometric analyses of S5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections are listed in Table 4-2. Silt ($4-9\phi$, equivalent to 0.063-0.002 mm) is the major component and clay ($>9\phi$, i.e. <0.002 mm) the second major component in all the samples throughout the profiles. Sand ($0-4\phi$, 1-0.063 mm) makes a negligible contribution. The obvious variations of the grain-size composition along the profiles are found in the clay-sized fraction. In the Shijiawan section (samples W27 to 31), clay-sized particles increase with depth and reach maximum proportion in the Bt horizon (W29), then decrease downwards and reach the minimum at the C horizon (W31). In contrast, the coarser grains ($<4\phi$, >0.063 mm) are enriched in upper horizons. In the Chang'an section, the minimum clay content occurs in the A horizon. This implies that a profound clay fraction was intensively eluviated from the A horizon during pedogenesis and the post-pedogenic deposition of loess was mixed with the top soil layer.

Table 4-2. Grain-size distribution of S5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections.

Sample#	horizon	<3 ϕ	3-4 ϕ	4-5 ϕ	5-6 ϕ	6-7 ϕ	7-8 ϕ	8-9 ϕ	9-10 ϕ	>10 ϕ
W27	A	--	0.4	6.0	17.6	17.0	16.0	8.0	6.0	29.0
W28	A-Bt1	--	0.4	4.6	20.0	22.5	7.5	7.0	6.5	31.5
W29	Bt1	--	0.1	10.9	10.0	15.0	14.0	5.5	5.5	39.0
W30	Bt2	--	0.1	8.4	11.5	17.	15.7	6.8	6.0	34.0
W31	Cw	--	<0.1	9.9	20.0	22.5	9.5	8.5	9.5	20.0
CHA1	A	--	0.2	18.3	16.5	18.0	11.0	8.0	4.0	23.0
CHA2	A	--	0.4	9.6	17.0	23.0	12.0	10.0	6.0	27.0
CHA3	Bt1	--	0.4	5.1	22.5	14.0	13.0	8.0	7.0	30.0
CHA4	Bt1	--	0.4	3.6	14.0	21.0	14.0	7.0	6.0	34.0
CHA5	Bt1	--	0.4	5.6	14.0	16.0	13.0	6.0	6.0	39.0
CHA6	Bt2	--	0.3	4.2	14.5	18.0	14.0	7.0	7.0	35.0
CHA7	Cw	--	0.2	4.8	18.0	17.0	14.0	7.0	6.0	31.0

4.4.2. Whole-rock Mineralogy

In general, whole-rock mineralogy of the S5 paleosol in both profiles is quite uniform with major minerals such as quartz, feldspar and mica present (Figures 4-1 and 4-2). Calcite is the most mobile constituent among all the minerals throughout the profiles, but it was not detected in the Bt horizons. Total amounts of chlorite and kaolinite (indicated by the height of the 7 Å peak) reached the lowest values in the Bt1 horizons (samples W29 and CHA5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections, respectively).

4.4.3. Clay Mineralogy

Separated clay fractions were analyzed by X-ray diffraction and data are presented in Figures 4-3 and 4-4. The major clay mineral present in the profiles is illite, as indicated by peaks at 3.34, 4.98 and 10.05 Å. The minor minerals are chlorite, kaolinite, smectite and irregularly interstratified minerals.

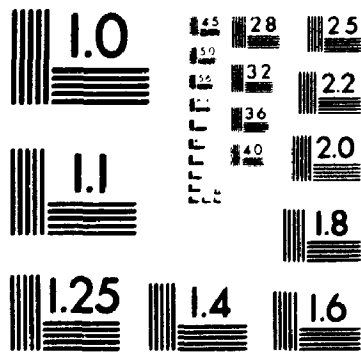
Chlorite (the peaks 3.56, 4.72 and 14.25 Å in un-treated samples) decreased from the A horizon (W27) to the Bt1 horizon (W29), and then increased with depth. The presence of kaolinite throughout the profile, and also in the loess sample (Y01), was indicated by a decrease in the 14.1 Å peak in the heated samples (equivalent to the peak of about 14.2 Å in the unheated samples). It is evident that in the sample W29, a 7.1 Å peak still exists but the peaks around 14 Å are hardly seen.

In the Bt horizon (W29), a notable amount of vermiculite exists as evidenced by the 4.46 Å peak in the untreated sample and the 4.51 Å peak in the glycol-saturated sample. The existence of smectite is revealed by the peaks around 17 Å in glycol-treated samples and a rather stable peak at 14.2 Å in the untreated samples in which chlorite

Figure 4-1. XRD spectra of bulk samples of the S5-I from the Shijiawan section.

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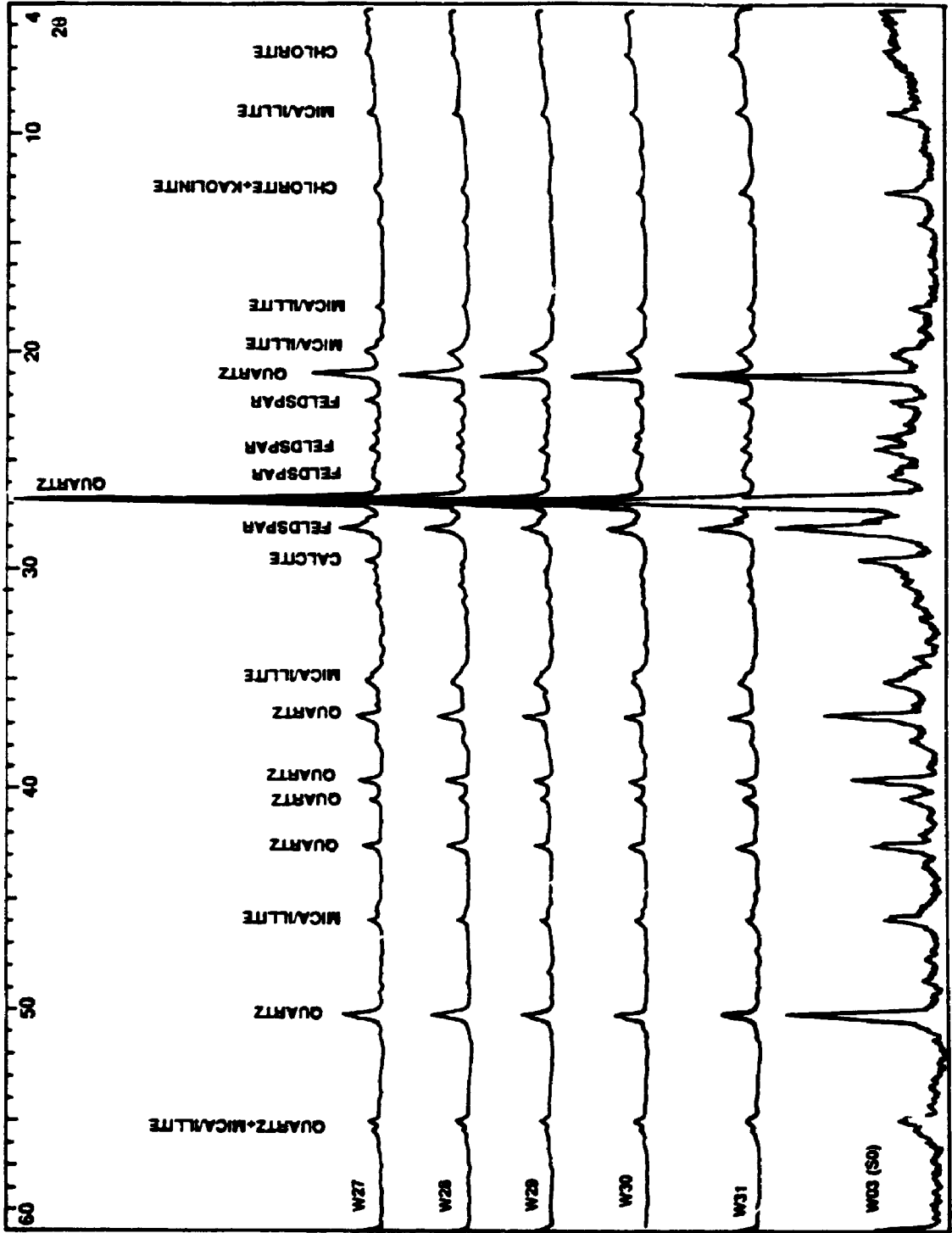


Figure 4-2. XRD spectra of bulk samples of the S5-I from the Chang'an section.

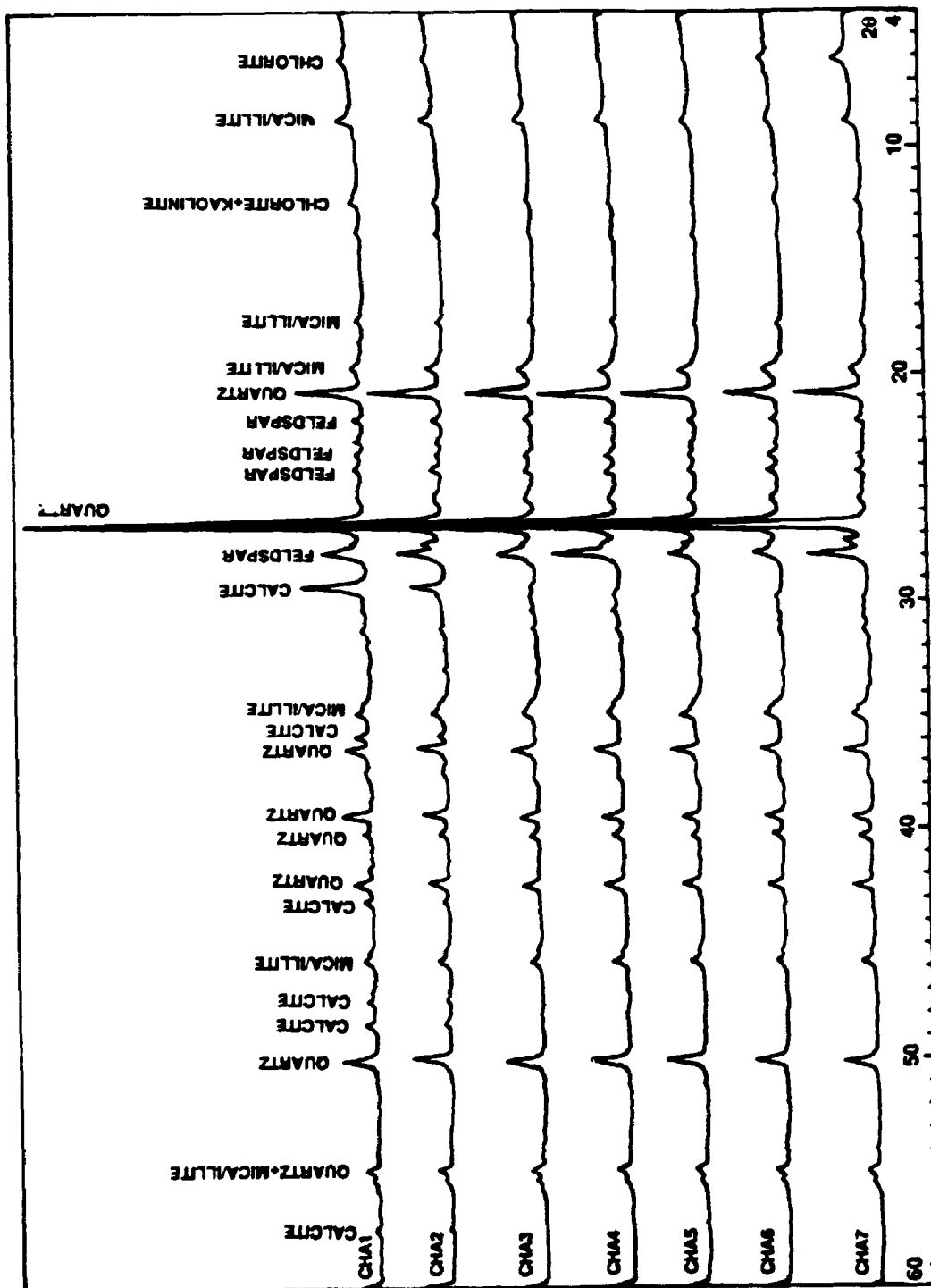


Figure 4-3. XRD spectra of clay minerals in paleosol S5-I from the Shijiawan section. A, untreated oriented samples. B, glycol-treated samples. C, samples heated at 560°C for 4 hours. Sample Y01 taken from a loess layer.

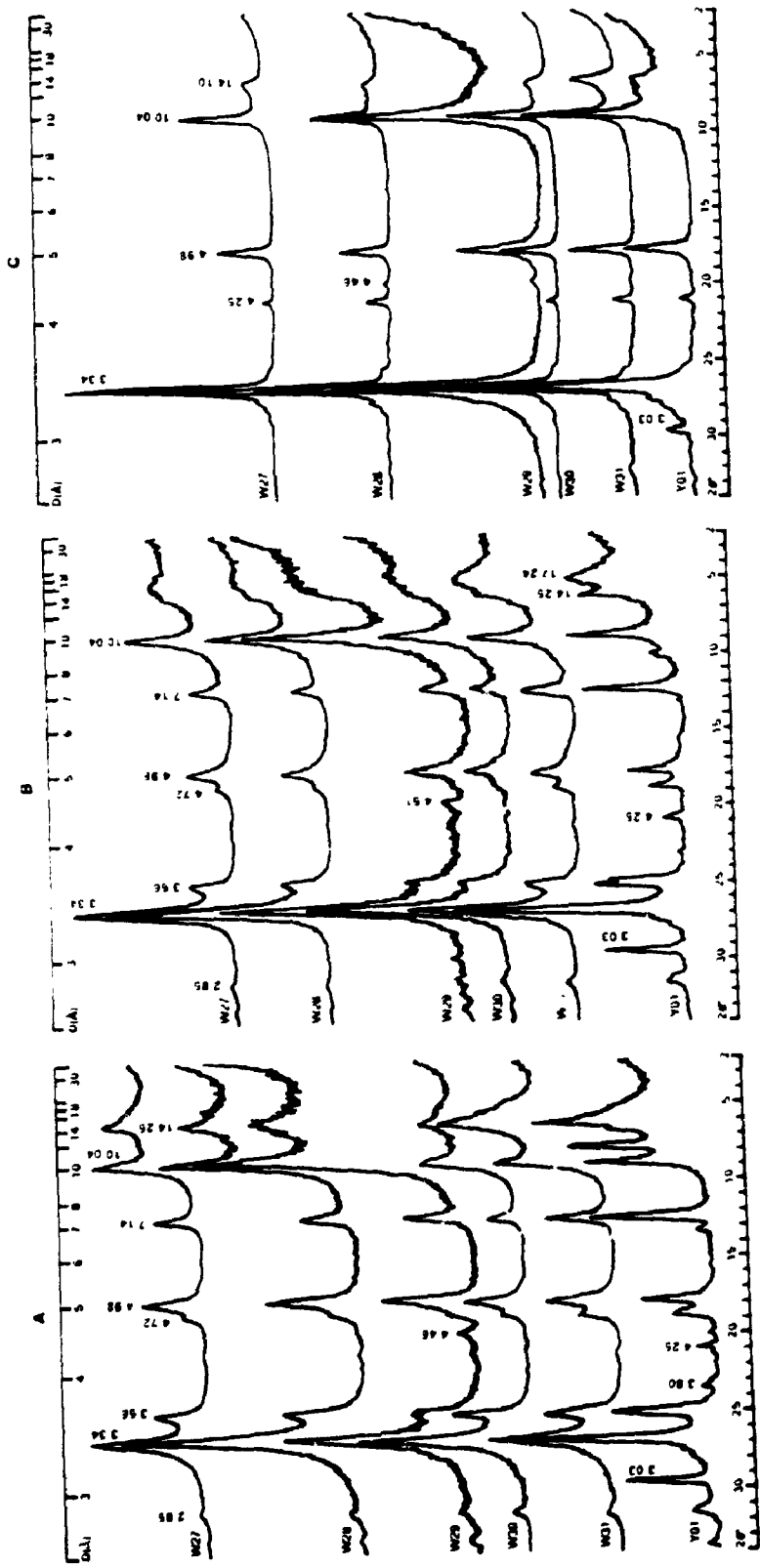
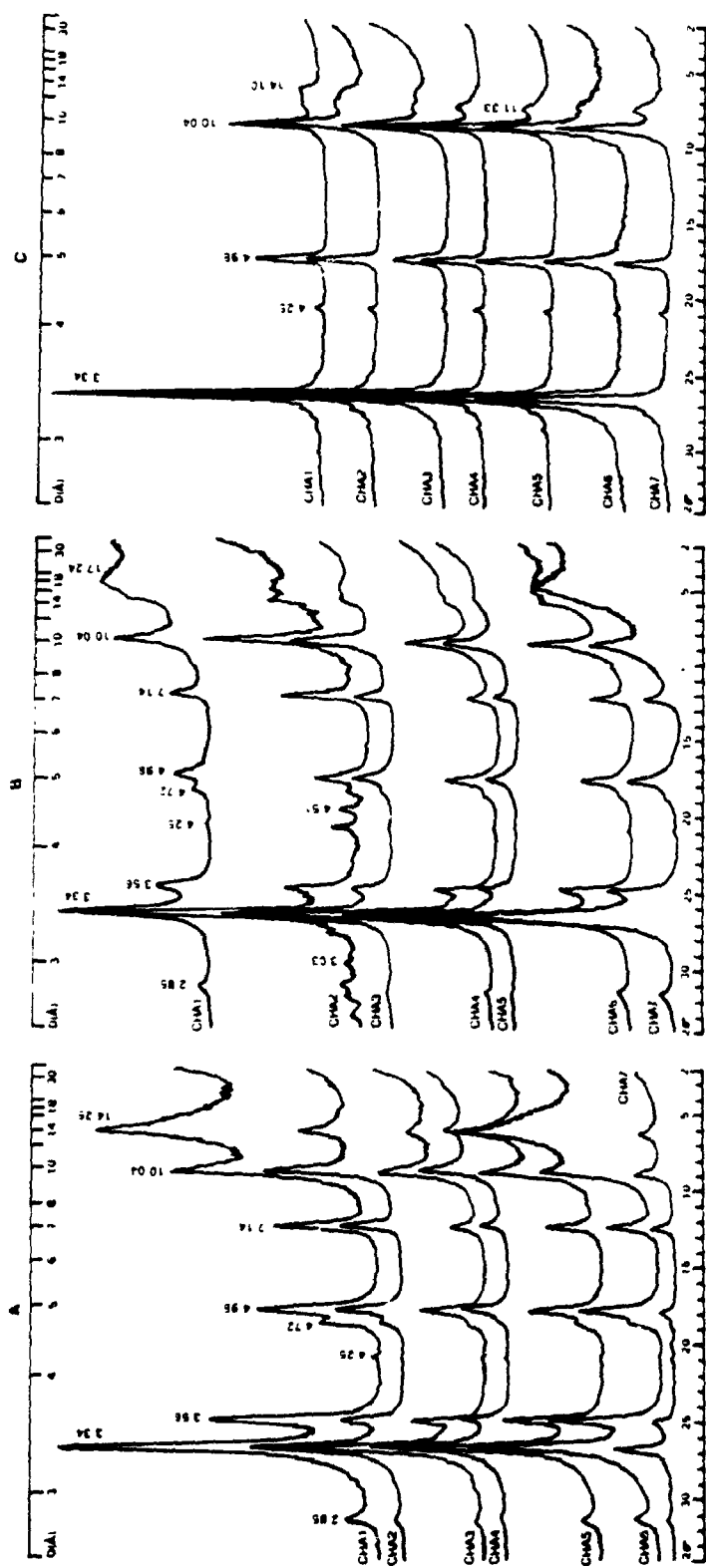


Figure 4-4. XRD spectra of clay minerals in paleosol S5-I from the Chang'an section. A, untreated oriented samples. B, glycol-treated samples. C, heated samples at 560°C for 4 hours.



barely exists. Irregularly interstratified minerals which were shown by a wide range of peaks between 14 and 30 Å in glycol-saturated samples increased with depth from the A to Bt1 horizon (W27 to W29 in the Shijiawan section and CHA1 to CHA5 in the Chang'an section). Very small amounts of quartz and calcite present in some samples were detected with peaks at 3.03, 4.25 and 2.85 Å.

4.4.4. Bulk Chemical Composition

Chemical analyses of the S5 paleosol for the two sections are presented in Table 4-3. In concordance with the mineralogical assemblage, the chemical composition throughout the profiles is dominated by SiO₂ and Al₂O₃, while CaO is the most variable. The highest concentrations of CaO occur in the A and C horizons, while the lowest concentrations occur in the Bt horizon. The total iron slightly increased from the A horizon to the Bt horizon and then decreased with depth. The variation of Al₂O₃ through the profiles has a similar pattern to that of total iron, and attains the highest value in the Bt horizon. The total loss of weight during ignition (LOI) depends mainly on the amount of organic matter, carbonate and swelling clay minerals present. For discussion of chemical weathering of the major elements through profile, carbonate concentration in each sample was determined, and the major chemical constituents were subsequently recalculated and listed in Table 4-4. The maximum concentration of organic matter in both sections is less than 0.2% (see Figure 4-5) and was neglected in the calculation. In the Shijiawan section, the variation of LOI percentage does not follow the pattern of the carbonate, implying that the clay minerals containing interlayer water are more abundant in the Bt horizon.

Table 4-3. Major chemical constituents of S5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections.

Sample#	Horizon	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	MnO	MgO	CaO	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Na ₂ O	LOI
W27	A	63.4	0.8	14.6	5.7	0.1	2.2	2.1	2.9	0.08	0.9	6.8
W28	A-Bt1	64.0	0.8	14.7	5.8	0.1	2.0	1.6	2.9	0.29	1.1	6.5
W29	Bt1	62.0	0.7	15.7	6.4	0.1	2.1	1.0	3.0	0.07	0.7	7.7
W30	Bt2	62.9	0.8	15.3	6.2	0.1	2.2	0.8	2.9	0.06	0.9	6.8
W31	C1w	63.9	0.8	14.6	5.8	0.1	2.3	1.2	2.9	0.14	1.0	6.2
W32	2Bt1	63.2	0.8	15.0	5.8	0.1	2.2	1.5	3.0	0.07	1.1	6.5
W33	2Bt2	63.9	0.8	15.2	6.0	0.1	2.1	0.9	2.9	0.09	0.9	6.5
W34	C2w	65.4	0.8	14.4	5.5	0.1	2.2	1.4	2.8	0.12	1.2	6.0
W35	3Bt1	64.2	0.8	14.6	5.9	0.1	2.0	1.2	2.9	0.08	1.0	6.2
W36	3Bt2	64.6	0.7	14.7	5.6	0.1	2.3	1.3	2.9	0.14	1.3	6.0
W37	C3	58.5	0.7	13.0	5.0	0.1	2.2	7.2	2.5	0.13	1.4	9.6
L32	Loess	56.6	0.7	13.1	5.1	0.1	2.2	7.7	2.5	0.12	0.9	10.6
CHA1	A	58.4	0.7	13.1	5.1	0.1	2.1	7.0	2.5	0.13	1.2	9.0
CHA2	A	63.0	0.8	13.7	5.3	0.1	1.9	3.7	2.7	0.10	1.1	6.5
CHA3	Bt1	65.2	0.8	15.1	5.9	0.1	2.0	1.1	2.9	0.10	1.1	5.0
CHA4	Bt1	65.9	0.9	14.9	5.8	0.1	1.8	0.9	2.9	0.08	1.1	5.4
CHA5	Bt1	66.2	0.9	15.6	6.2	0.1	1.7	0.8	2.9	0.10	1.1	4.8
CHA6	Bt2	63.4	0.8	16.0	6.4	0.1	2.1	0.9	2.9	0.11	0.9	5.4
CHA7	CB	64.0	0.8	15.6	6.2	0.1	2.3	1.0	2.7	0.11	1.1	5.3
CHA8	CB	64.3	0.8	15.3	6.0	0.1	2.1	0.8	2.9	0.10	1.0	6.0
YGSO	A	62.7	0.7	15.1	5.9	0.1	1.8	1.4	2.7	0.09	1.0	7.4

Table 4-4. Major chemical constituents of the S5 in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections after removal of carbonates.

Sample# /Horizon	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	MnO	MgO	CaO	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Na ₂ O	LOI	CaCO ₃
W27/A	64.46	0.77	14.86	5.76	0.11	2.21	1.45	2.92	0.08	0.93	6.41	1.15
W28/A-B	64.71	0.79	14.87	5.84	0.11	2.01	0.85	2.89	0.29	1.06	5.79	0.77
W29/Bt1	62.22	0.74	15.79	6.46	0.11	2.10	0.74	2.98	0.07	0.65	7.54	0.41
W30/Bt2	62.98	0.76	15.31	6.16	0.10	2.19	0.72	2.87	0.06	0.94	6.75	0.16
W31/Cw	64.26	0.75	14.70	5.85	0.09	2.34	0.93	2.77	0.14	1.01	5.99	0.50
CA1/A _{up}	66.04	0.80	14.85	5.81	0.10	2.33	0.61	2.78	0.15	1.31	4.45	11.52
CA2/A _{lo}	66.82	0.88	14.58	5.57	0.12	1.98	0.50	2.86	0.11	1.12	4.24	5.73
CA3/Bt1	65.67	0.82	15.22	5.89	0.11	1.97	0.69	2.94	0.10	1.11	4.72	0.74
CA4/Bt1	66.10	0.87	14.98	5.77	0.12	1.82	0.71	2.91	0.08	1.13	5.23	0.33
CA5/Bt1	66.24	0.87	15.60	6.11	0.12	1.74	0.69	2.93	0.10	1.06	4.76	0.12
CA6/Bt2	63.48	0.76	16.03	6.36	0.11	2.06	0.84	2.87	0.11	0.88	5.38	0.12
CA7/Cw	64.22	0.77	15.66	6.18	0.10	2.26	0.85	2.74	0.11	1.12	5.20	0.14
CA8/Cw	64.50	0.77	15.33	5.99	0.14	2.05	0.67	2.94	0.10	1.02	5.92	0.12
LCS5/Bt	64.35	0.76	15.24	5.97	0.10	2.19	0.63	2.89	0.08	0.80	6.37	0.16

4.4.5. Trace Elements

Some 32 trace elements were analyzed for S5 from the Shijiawan section by the neutron activation method and data are listed in Table 4-5. Major changes through the profile occur with Mo, Ni, Co, Zn, As, Sb, Ba, Cr, Cs, La, Ce, Sm, Sc, Lu, Th, U, Br, and Rb. Based on their behaviours through the profile, the elements can be classified into three groups.

Like ferrous iron, Zn, Ni, Co, La, Ce, Sc, and Rb have the highest concentrations in the A horizon and the lowest concentrations in the CCa (Ca accumulation) horizon, reflecting that they reside mainly in the primary clastic minerals. The second group, including As, Sb, Cr, W, Cs, Th, U, and Br, reach the maximum concentrations in the best developed Bt horizon and the minimum concentrations in the CCa horizon, exhibiting a clear relationship with clay content. For the third group, involving noble metals like Au, Ir, Ag, etc., no obvious trend has been found through the profile. Barium behaves very similarly to calcium, indicating a close relation to carbonate.

4.5. Pedogenic Processes

4.5.1. Clay Translocation and Transformation

Grain-size analyses show that clay content increases with depth and reaches the highest value in the Bt horizon, which is consistent with the presence of the thickest clay coatings and suggests that the major process associated with the clay concentration is illuviation rather than argillation (Birkeland, 1974). The migration of clay minerals reflects the pedogenic conditions with a pH of no more than 7. This process can only

Table 4-5. Trace elements in S5 in the Shijiawan section

Sample#/ Horizon	Au ppb	Ir ppb	Ag ppm	Zn ppm	Mo ppm	Ni ppm	Co ppm	Cd ppm	As ppm	Sb ppm	Se ppm	Te ppm
W27/A	<2	<50	<2	190	2	59	25	<5	17.0	1.8	<5	<10
W28/AB	6	<50	<2	200	1	39	17	<5	18.0	1.8	<5	<10
W29/Bt	<2	<50	<2	140	<1	25	21	<5	20.0	2.0	<5	<10
W30/CCa	<2	<50	<2	110	2	<10	<5	<5	4.1	0.5	<5	<10
W31/Cw	<2	<50	<2	140	<1	50	19	<5	15.0	1.7	<5	23
W32/2Bt1	3	<50	<2	160	<1	47	20	<5	19.0	1.9	<5	<10
W33/2Bt2	<2	<50	<2	200	1	64	18	<5	19.0	2.0	<5	<10
W34/2BC	<2	<50	<2	190	<1	29	17	<5	16.0	1.9	<5	<10
W35/3Bt1	<2	<50	<2	160	<1	25	19	<5	17.0	1.8	<5	<10
W37/3C	<2	<50	<2	200	<1	38	15	<5	16.0	1.7	<5	<10
Sample#/ Horizon	Ba ppm	Cr ppm	Sn ppm	W ppm	Cs ppm	La ppm	Ce ppm	Sm ppm	Eu ppm	Tb ppm	Yb ppm	Lu ppm
W27/A	630	120	<100	2	9.1	50	110	6.5	3	0.9	5	0.6
W28/AB	660	130	<100	3	9.5	43	100	6.1	<1	1.1	4	0.3
W29/Bt	580	100	<100	4	11.0	43	90	6.6	2	0.9	4	0.4
W30/CCa	5000	34	<100	<1	2.3	11	21	1.9	<1	<0.5	<2	<0.2
W31/Cw	550	87	<100	3	9.2	40	83	6.4	2	1.2	4	0.4
W32/2Bt1	590	92	<100	3	10.0	40	89	6.4	<1	0.9	3	0.3
W33/2Bt2	610	110	<100	2	11.0	47	100	7.5	1	1.2	5	0.5
W34/2BC	600	100	<100	3	10.0	43	85	6.9	<1	1.1	4	0.4
W35/3Bt1	570	90	<100	2	9.2	41	87	6.9	1	1.2	4	0.5
W37/3C	550	95	<100	1	7.7	37	81	6.3	<1	0.9	4	<0.2
Sample#/ Horizon	Sc ppm	Hf ppm	Ta ppm	Th ppm	U ppm	Br ppm	Rb ppm	Zr ppm				
W27/A	18.0	8	1.7	15.0	3.1	<0.5	200	<200				
W28/AB	16.0	8	1.5	16.0	3.5	0.6	190	<200				
W29/Bt	17.0	6	1.5	16.0	3.2	3.4	190	<200				
W30/CCa	4.2	3	<0.5	3.9	1.3	<0.5	38	<200				
W31/Cw	14.0	7	1.5	15.0	2.9	<0.5	180	<200				
W32/2Bt1	16.0	7	1.3	16.0	3.3	<0.5	190	<200				
W33/2Bt2	16.0	7	1.2	17.0	3.3	<0.5	210	<200				
W34/2BC	14.0	6	1.3	16.0	3.3	<0.5	180	490				
W35/3Bt1	14.0	7	1.4	15.0	3.2	<0.5	170	<200				
W37/3C	13.0	6	1.2	14.0	3.1	<0.5	170	<200				

occur when carbonate is completely leached out.

The downward decrease of chlorite, and occurrence of vermiculite in the Bt horizon (W29) implies that the clay minerals have been subjected to transformation. Vermiculite is most likely of pedogenic origin (Tan, 1994). According to previous studies, vermiculite may be derived from chlorite and micas (cf. Yatsu, 1988; Evans, 1992), and micas are readily altered to vermiculite by the extraction of potassium, and chlorite by oxidation of Fe^{2+} (Ross, 1975; Ross and Kodama, 1976). Our chemical data, however, show that potassium increased and magnesium decreased in the Bt horizon, which seems to favour a chlorite-alteration, as is suggested by the clay mineralogical study. A pH value less than 7 is necessary for the transformation of chlorite into vermiculite (Birkeland, 1974).

The XRD spectra of ethylene glycol-treated samples demonstrate that smectite exists in all horizons but is less abundant in the Bt horizon, and irregular interstratified minerals make up a notable portion in the Bt horizon. The possibility of a decreased smectite signal resulting from alteration of smectite into kaolinite needs to be further confirmed. Regardless of the pathways, the pH values required by the process must be in the range of 5-7 (Birkeland, 1974; Yatsu, 1988), similar to that of the chlorite-vermiculite transformation.

Overall, the following alterations may have occurred.

Chlorite - Mg^{2+} , Fe^{2+} → Vermiculite + interstratified material;

Illite - K^+ → Vermiculite + interstratified material;

Smectite - H_4SiO_4 → Kaolinite.

4.5.2. Variations of the Major Chemical Constituents

Carbonate analyses indicate that the Bt horizon has experienced complete decalcification, and secondary carbonate accumulation has occurred in the CCa horizon at 1.9-2.6 m depths below the S5 surface as observed in the field. The carbonate depletion in the Bt horizon is consistent with the clay mineralogical data. The presence of carbonate in the upper horizons as indicated by chemical data is due to post-pedogenic carbonate leaching from overlying loess, which is suggested by the fact that the carbonate in the A horizon exists as white coatings or pseudomycelia on the cracks.

Besides CaCO_3 , SiO_2 and Al_2O_3 are the second most pronounced labile constituents. SiO_2 decreases with illuviation whereas Al_2O_3 varies inversely to SiO_2 . Microscopic study of the clastic minerals revealed that quartz and feldspars did not suffer serious alteration. The chemical data also indicate that potassium, magnesium and sodium are incorporated in the silicates (see Table 4-4) with only a slight change. Therefore, a higher $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ratio in the Bt horizon is mainly the result of clay translocation. To evaluate the degree of chemical weathering, the chemical index of alteration (CIA) was calculated as proposed by Nesbit and Young (1982). It is presented by using molecular proportions:

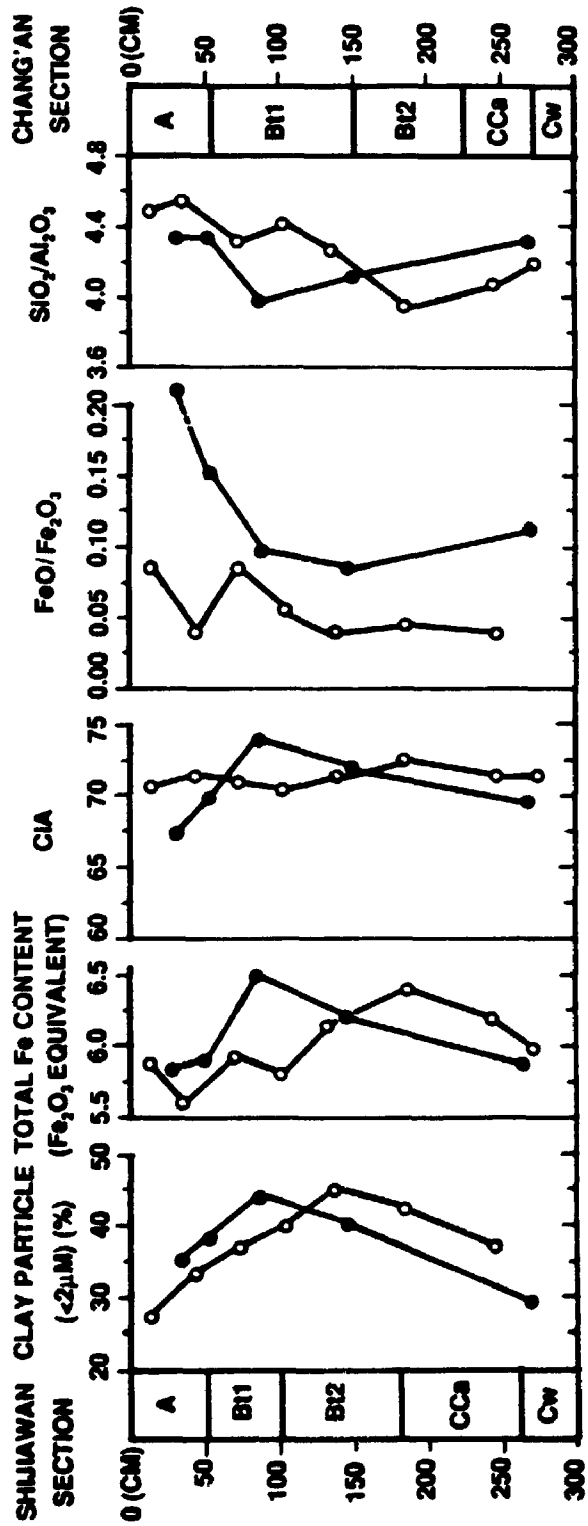
$$\text{CIA} = \langle \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 / (\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{CaO} + \text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}) \rangle \times 100$$

where CaO is the amount of CaO incorporated in the silicate minerals. Here the CaO content used is from the data after removal of carbonates as shown in Table 4-4. Variations can be seen from Table 4-6 and Figure 4-5.

Table 4-6. CIA values of S5-I in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections.

Shijiawan Section		Chang'an Section	
Horizon	CIA	Horizon	CIA
A	66.96	A	70.30
AB	69.86	A	71.45
Bt1	73.68	Bt1	70.85
Bt2	71.96	Bt1	70.39
Cw	69.82	Bt1	71.64
		Bt?	72.48
		Bt2	71.18
		Cw	71.59

Figure 4-5. Graphic illustrations of variations in clay-sized fraction and some chemical factors through paleosol S5-I. Solid circles represent samples from the Shijiawan section, open circles represent samples from the Chang'an section.



It is demonstrated that the CIAs for all horizons are slightly different. The highest value found in the Bt horizons and the lowest in the A horizon of the Shijiawan section suggest that the chemical variations have resulted mainly from mechanical translocation of clay-size particles, and that chemical weathering in the S5 is slight. In fact, similar results of chemical composition between loess and paleosols have been shown by previous studies with large number of samples (e.g., Liu et al., 1985). Unfortunately, these were not taken into consideration in their paleoclimatic interpretation, probably because these data do not favour their impression in terms of the presumed contrast between loess and paleosols as is visualized in colour (for data refer to Liu et al., 1985, p240-243).

The variable trend of the CIA through the Chang'an profile does not follow the pattern observed in the Shijiawan section, and may be attributed to other factors (eg., drainage conditions, aggradation etc.) associated with the relatively low altitude of the river-terrace when the S5 was developing.

The total iron content varies in a trend similar to that of Al_2O_3 and the clay content (see Table 4-4 and Figure 4-5). Compared with parent loess, the total iron is slightly concentrated with highest value in the most-developed illuvial horizon, while the highest concentration of FeO is found in the A horizon. Magnetic susceptibility measurements indicate the highest values in the A horizon. This coincidence implies that FeO is principally concentrated in magnetite, suggesting a weak chemical alteration and leaching process experienced by the S5 in Shijiawan, although it may largely have been comminuted during pedogenesis. Higher concentrations of Fe_2O_3 resulted from fine hematite translocated with clay migration and in situ oxidation of magnetite.

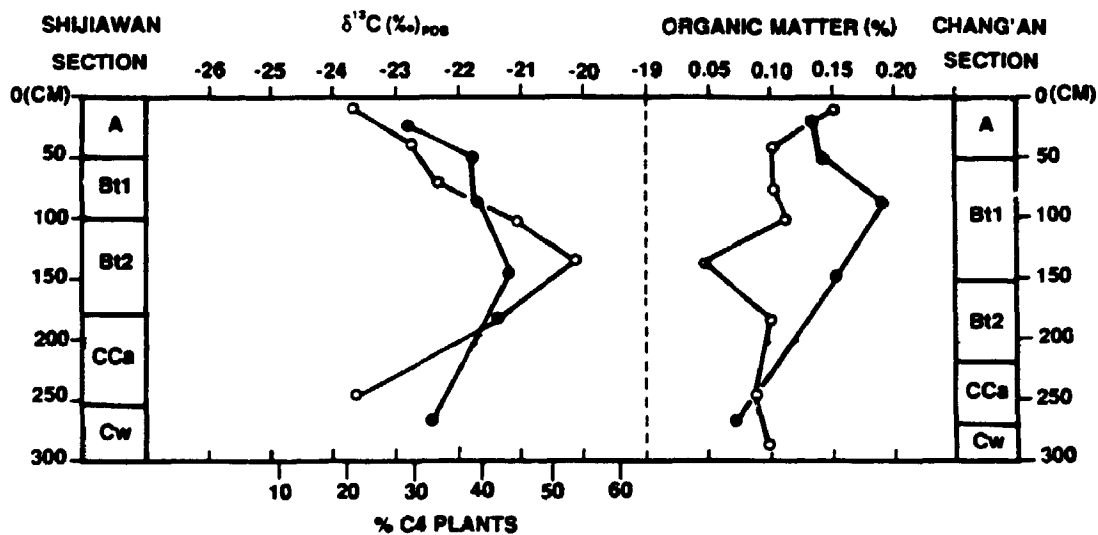
Fe-Mn films in the Bt horizon were observed in the field and confirmed by SEM

analysis. It will be argued that it is an indicator of leaching conditions rather than gleying or pseudogleying conditions (seasonally over-saturated with water). Further discussion will be given in Chapter 5.

4.6. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures of Organic Matter and Paleovegetation

The stable carbon-isotope composition of organic matter in S5-I was determined and presented graphically in Figure 4-6. Obviously, C4 plants constituted a pronounced portion of the paleovegetation. The isotopic signatures changed notably along the profiles, and these variations follow a similar pattern in both sections. The highest $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values occur in the Bt horizon and lowest values occur in the top and bottom horizons. Measurements of the organic matter content in the two sections (see Figure 4-6) indicate that the highest concentration occurred at depths around 1.0 m in Shijiawan, which is consistent with clay illuviation. This may be partly attributed to migration of organic matter, but the pronounced difference in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values between the A and Bt horizons can only be explained by a pedogenic history with both vegetational change and loess deposition. Therefore the leaching processes seem to have a minor vertical mixing influence on organic matter distribution. Gradual decrease of organic matter content in the Shijiawan section from 1.0 m to the bottom suggests that below the depth of about 1 m, there is no other pedogenic A horizon buried. The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ variation in this depth range could be explained by the difference in organic matter contribution depths between C3 and C4 plants. Above 1.0 m depth, it most likely reflects a progressive floral change. For the Chang'an section, two separate vegetation histories are suggested according to changes in organic matter concentration.

Figure 4-6. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures of organic matter in paleosol S5-I from the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections. Solid circles represent the samples from Shijiawan, and open circles represent the samples from Chang'an. The equivalent percentage of C4 plants is explained in Figure 3-1.



Overall, the stable carbon-isotope evidence reveals that during the S5-I development, the regional vegetation experienced a profound change, from a flora with about 50% C4 plants to floras with about 20% C4 plants, at least indicating that a typical forest never stood for an identifiable period. A very short depth range for C3-dominated $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures in the upper horizon is demonstrated in both sections. If these low $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values were derived from a forest, such low values should have been maintained for a much longer depth range, because tree roots are commonly distributed over 1 m in depth in this region as observed today, and their contributions to $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value could not be masked by C4 grasses of the minor floral constituents especially at greater depth. Therefore, the occurrence of C3-dominated $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures in the upper horizon in the both sections does not seem to reflect a forest flora, because many herbs and grasses in this region are C3 as discussed in Chapter 3 (referred to Figure 3-1). In the Shijiawan section, relatively stable $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values (reflecting about 40% C4 plants) would suggest that the paleovegetation of the S5-I was dominated by grassland with a minor portion of trees. In Chang'an, a grassland with more than 50% C4 plants is clearly indicated by the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ record (see Figure 4-6).

4.7. Climatic Evaluation

Most previous paleoclimatic studies on the loess-paleosol sequences have estimated paleoclimate by the correlation of pedogenic features of paleosols with modern soils and by analogy with the climatic conditions (mean annual temperature and rainfall). As previously mentioned, the methodology employed is quite questionable, because it is very difficult to constrain the effects of parent material and pedogenic duration which cannot

be neglected in climatic interpretation. For example, consider two soils (A and B) with the same parent material, relief and complete decalcification, if A is just half of B in pedogenic duration, it must be double B in leaching-effective rainfall. But an equal precipitation might be estimated without consideration of time-effect.

The magnetic susceptibility (MS) record in the Chinese loess-paleosol sequence provides another approach to the paleoprecipitation. Heller et al. (1993), Maher et al. (1994), and Liu et al. (1995) statistically demonstrated a good relationship between MS of modern soils and annual precipitation in the regions of the Chinese Loess Plateau. Using such relations, the MS signals in the loess-paleosol sequences were interpreted in terms of paleorainfalls. In fact, the mechanism behind this relation is still poorly understood, although the MS of the loess and paleosols is convincingly demonstrated to be greatly enhanced by pedogenesis (Heller and Liu, 1984; Zhou et al., 1990; Maher and Thompson, 1991; Zheng et al., 1991; Verosub et al., 1993). Our measurement of the MS indicated that the most intensively pedogenic paleosol (S5-I) in the Shijiawan section does not possess the highest MS, in agreement with the Baoji section which is also located in the Guanzhong basin (cf. Wang et al., 1990). When a soil achieves complete decalcification, high precipitation will lead to oxidation of superparamagnetic grains of magnetite, the major MS contributor for the loess and paleosols (Maher and Taylor, 1988; Verosub et al., 1993), and hence to a decrease of the MS. Therefore, a steady state of MS for pedogenic origin suggested by Maher et al. (1994) is very limited in terms of consideration of climatic conditions and time-length of pedogenesis. A large discrepancy of MS-interpreted paleoprecipitation for the S1 in Xifeng between Heller et al. (1993) and Maher et al. (1994) (Maher- about 150-200 mm more than today without consideration

of pedogenic duration; Heller- equal or slightly less than today with consideration of the pedogenic duration) indicates that the pedogenic enhancement of MS is time-dependent. Furthermore, it has been found by this study that the MS enhancement is also affected by the organic matter content and leaching state. Therefore, a proper interpretation of paleoclimatological significance of the MS signatures and its climofunction validity needs additional work.

As approximated by Kukla et al. (1988), Kukla and An (1989) and Ding et al. (1991), the pedogenic duration of the S5-I is about 40-50 ka. Assuming 10% of calcite in the parent loess and 1.7g/cm^3 of the specific weight (Liu et al., 1966) at 25°C and 3.5×10^{-3} atm. of pCO_2 in the subsoil zone with a saturate solubility about 0.2g/litre (cf. Richardson and Mcsween, 1989), 2.55×10^5 cm of the leaching-effective rainfall was calculated to be necessary for a 3 m column of loess to be completely decalcified. A calibration of the effectiveness of regional rainfall for carbonate leaching based on a Holocene soil indicates the effectiveness of the annual precipitation is about 15%, i.e., the total amount of natural rainfall is about 6.7 times as much as the calculated effective rainfall required for complete decalcification. For S5-I in the Shijiawan section, if about 600 mm of today's local rainfall is used in the calculation, the complete decalcification would be acquired after 27 ka, a time-length far less than the actual duration. Our chemical analyses show other labile constituents (e.g., MgO, Na_2O , K_2O , etc.) with little significant change, indicating no obvious advance of chemical leaching other than decalcification. As is observed today, the annual rainfall in this region is concentrated in July, August, September and October, and a seasonal water-saturated state can be expected. Once a complete decalcification in the upper horizon is achieved, clay mineral

migration takes place readily. Therefore, the climatic conditions reflected by S5-I in Shijiawan and Chang'an, as well as the whole Guanzhong basin are at best similar to, or even drier than today. The vegetation during that period was dense grassland-dominant, which is necessary for the formation of the well-developed clay coatings and later Fe-Mn films.

A further discussion on the amplitudes of the Pleistocene climate oscillations in the Chinese Loess Plateau will be given in Chapter 6.

CHAPTER 5

CLIMATIC CHANGE IN THE PERIOD OF LATE PLIOCENE-EARLY PLEISTOCENE

5.1. Introduction

From the data of Chapter 2, it has been shown that the fluviolacustrine sequence in the lower part of the Shijiawan section was formed during a period from 3.05 to 1.9 Ma B.P., and the upper red clay formation in the Yanyu section was formed in the interval 2.9-2.5 Ma. In this chapter, the intention is to discuss the climatic reconstruction of the period from late Pliocene to early Pleistocene (3.0 to 1.9 Ma) based on sedimentary and palynological analyses, and stable carbon-isotopes of organic matter. Through laboratory analyses of grain-size distribution, major chemical composition, clay mineralogy and other pedogenic studies, the provenance of the red clay and its paleoclimatic implications are discussed.

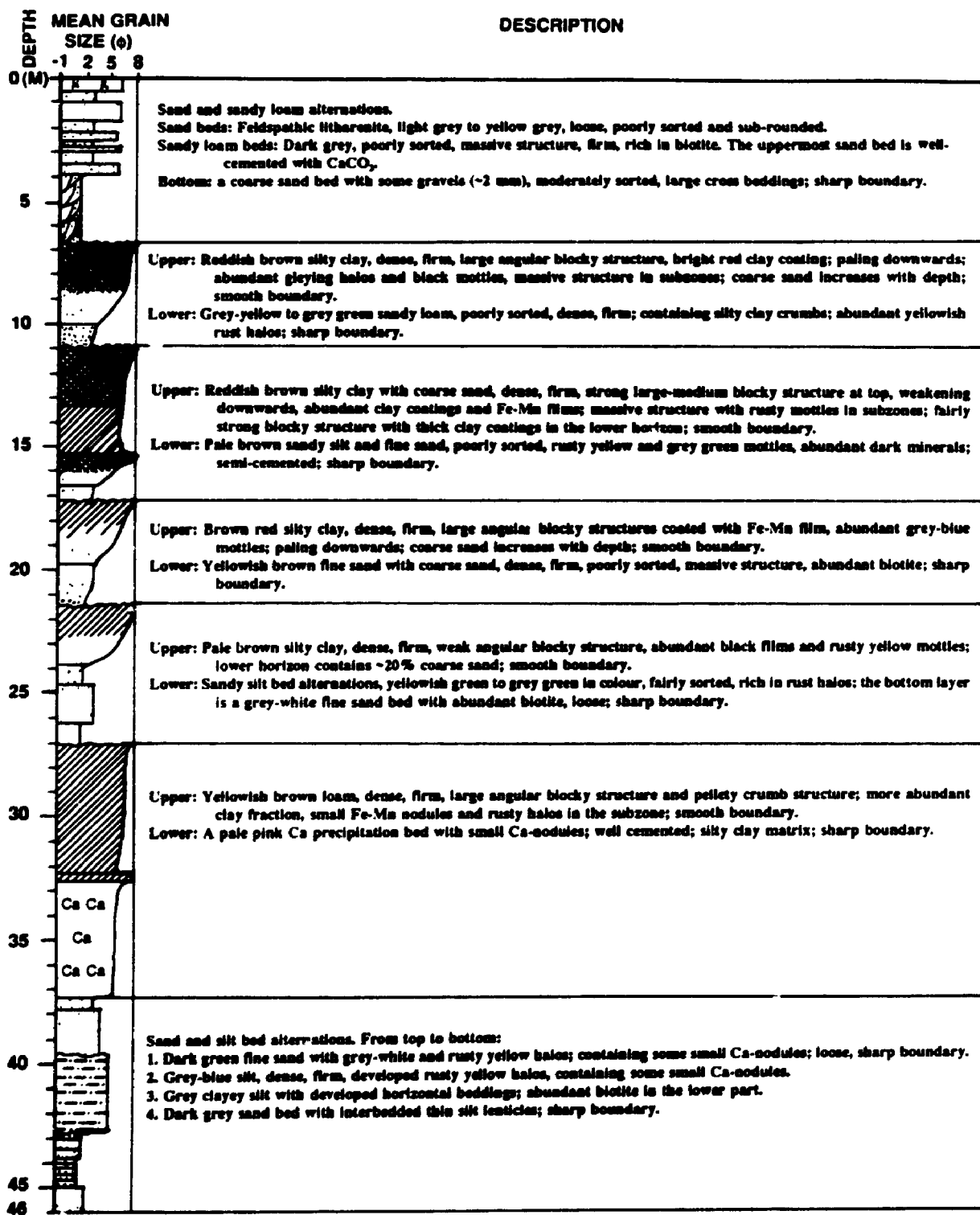
5.2. Sedimentary Analysis of the Fluviolacustrine Sequence

5.2.1. Major Sedimentary Features

The lithologic features of the fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section (Figure 5-1) are summarized as follows.

1. The grain size data of the sequence indicates deposition with strong rhythms and sedimentary cycles. Each cycle starts with a coarse sand bed and then switches to a poorly sorted loam or silty clay bed. The top layer of most of the sedimentary cycles is

Figure 5-1. A lithologic column with descriptions of the fluviolacustrine sequence shown in the lower part of the Shijiawan section.



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		DESCRIPTION
46	-1 2 5 8	Upper: Dull reddish brown silty clay, weak angular blocky structure; abundant black spots; coarse sand increases downwards; smooth boundary. Lower: Grey-green coarse sand, poorly sorted, poorly rounded; abundant Ca-nodules; the bottom is well-cemented; sharp boundary.
50		Upper: Grey-yellow silty clay, dense, firm, poorly sorted, massive structure with rusty halos; coarse sand and fine gravels increase downwards; smooth boundary. Lower: grey-white fine sand bed and loam bed alternation, poorly sorted, dense, massive structure; sharp boundary.
55		Upper: Pink-grey silty clay, large angular blocky structure with rusty halos; coarse sand increases downwards; smooth boundary. Lower: Coarse-sandy loam, poorly sorted, grey blue to rusty yellow in colour, semi-cemented, sharp boundary.
60		Upper: Reddish coarse-sandy loam, dense, hard, massive structure; coarse sand increases downwards; smooth boundary. Lower: Sandy beds, grey-white to yellowish white in colour, medium to fine in size, loose or firm; sharp boundary.
65		Upper: Pale brown sandy loam with poorly sorted and poorly rounded fine gravels, dense, firm, abundant grey-blue and rusty mottles, Ca-nodules in the lower horizon. Lower: Sandy bed with fine gravels, poorly sorted and poorly rounded, yellowish green to black in colour, firm in the upper horizon but loose in the lower; abundant amorphous manganese precipitated in the lower part; sharp boundary.
70		Upper: Dull pink-grey loam, dense, firm, massive structure with rusty and pale blue halos; coarse sand increases downwards. Lower: Fine sand with fine gravels, poorly sorted, containing small Ca-nodules in the lower part; sharp boundary.
75		Upper: Bright reddish brown silty clay, strong blocky structure, thick clay coatings with weakly developed Fe-Mn films; coarse sand increases downwards. Middle: Small-sized Ca-nodules accumulation zone, red loam matrix with coarse sand. Lower: Yellowish brown fine sand, containing coarse sand and red clay crumbs, semi-cemented.
80		Upper: Brick-red sandy clay, massive structure; abundant coarse sand and red clay crumbs in the lower horizon, rich in dark minerals; sharp boundary. Lower: Pink brown clay with coarse sand, massive structure with rusty yellow halos, rich in black carbon film; coarse sand increases downwards.
85		Upper: Thick coarse sandy layer, grey-yellow to grey-white in colour, loose, well-developed large cross beddings, contains elephant fossils; sharp boundary. Lower: Dark pink-grey silty clay with coarse sand, medium-angular blocky structure with rusty yellow and grey-blue mottles, rich in carbon film; coarse sand increases downwards; smooth boundary.
90		Upper: Sandy clay with varicolored mottles, poorly sorted, fine blocky structure; containing fairly sorted fine sandy particles; smooth boundary. Lower: Medium-sized sand, loose; sharp boundary.
95		Upper: Dull brown-red sandy clay, poorly sorted, fairly strong blocky structure, thick clay coatings; blocky structure weakens downwards, smooth boundary. Middle: Pale reddish brown sandy clay, poorly sorted massive structure with rusty yellow mottles; coarse sand increases downwards, smooth boundary. Lower: Rusty yellow coarse sand, containing small-sized gravels; bottom is cemented with CaCO ₃ ; sharp boundary.
		Upper: Dark reddish brown sandy clay, dense, strong large blocky structure with blue-grey mottles, thick clay coatings; coarse sand increases downwards; smooth boundary. Middle: Dark grey to pale brown coarse sand with gravels, loose. Lower: Pale brown sandy silt, poorly sorted semi-cemented.

characterized by relatively pure fine sediments. Approximately 20 cycles exist in the Shijiawan section.

2. Except for the middle part of the section (the interval from 40 m to 66 m in depth), each cycle was succeeded by a pedogenic period, which is manifested by occurrences of a Bt horizon with clay coatings and black Fe-Mn films, strongly developed blocky structure of the B horizon, and a carbonate accumulation horizon CCa.

3. Most of the beds are poorly sorted and exhibit massive structure. Sedimentary bedding is rarely found. With the exception of the sand layers, most beds show a bimodal size distribution. High frequencies of the grain-size distribution show coarse sand (about 1 mm) and fine silt or clay (<0.01 mm) fractions.

4. Most sedimentary beds are not stable in spatial extension and change their facies on a scale of hundreds of meters.

5. In the upper part of the sequence (0-66 m in depth), the fine-grained layers have a yellowish colour, very similar to that of the loess, and there is no difference from the loess of the region in the grain-size distribution pattern. In the lower part of the sequence (66-102 m), the fine-grained beds have reddish colour with a bimodal size distribution pattern, and the fine-size fraction is similar to that of the red clay. Therefore, this suggests that the major portion fine-grained sediments in the upper part of the sequence are reworked loess, and in the lower part are reworked red clay. According to grain-size composition and colour, the first typical reworked loess occurs at 61 m in depth and the last typical reworked red clay occurs at about 70 m.

5.2.2. Depositional Process

From the major sedimentary features discussed above, the fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section shows a typical alluvial origin. Each sedimentary cycle contains coarse sand and silty layers, reflecting a hydraulic rhythm which is mainly controlled by paleohydrology. Obviously, the poorly sorted beds reflect a different hydraulic condition and suggest that they were formed by flooding. The coarse sand beds, especially those with abundant large cross-bedding, represent river-channel deposition. During flooding events, large amounts of fine-grained material were eroded from loess- or red clay-covered ground surface by rainwater discharged into river and deposited, which forced the river channel to shift. Combined with channel sediments, the flood deposition forms the binary structure of the sequence. Once the floodplain was high enough and acquired a stable surface, pedogenesis could take place. With evolution of the graben, a new sedimentary episode terminated the previous cycle. In this scenario, the sedimentary beds fluctuated from coarse channel sand to poorly sorted flood material (sand-mixed loam or silty clay). The thick and pure fine-grained top horizon of each cycle suggests that the post-depositional pedogenesis was accompanied by red clay or loess accumulation under subareal conditions. The deeper continuous carbonate accumulation zones reflects the paleo- groundwater table.

Overall, the conventionally called fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section was mainly of fluvial deposition, and little seems to be of lacustrine origin. Variations in grain-size composition reflect cyclic deposition. Approximately 20 depositional cycles in the Shijiawan section started with channel sand deposition and ended with poorly sorted fine flood materials which are mainly reworked loess or reworked red clay. Most cycles involve a post-depositional pedogenic period. The first

bed of reworked loess occurs at 56 m in depth, about 16 m below the Matuyama/ Gauss boundary, marking the beginning of loess deposition in this region. The cyclicity of the deposition reflects the river-channel shift, which could be caused by episodic tectonics or climatic fluctuations or both. More work is needed to confirm such a relationship.

5.2.3. Deposition Rate

With paleomagnetic dating constraints and an assumption of constant tectonic depression, the deposition rate can be estimated. The whole fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section was dated in the period of 3.0 to 1.9 Ma B.P (see Chapter 2). The upper part (above the M/G boundary, from 2.48 to 1.9 Ma) has a thickness of about 40 m. Thus the mean deposition rate is approximately $6.9 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$. The lower part (between the M/G boundary and the Kaena event, a period from 2.92 to 2.48 Ma B.P.) is 54 m in thickness, with an average deposition rate of $12 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$. Using these data, a chronological framework of the sequence was constructed and is shown in Figure 5-2.

5.3. Palynological Data and Stable Carbon-Isotope Analysis

Some 57 samples through the sequence (excluding coarse sand beds) were taken for pollen analysis, and processed with laboratory methods for clastic sediments which are described as follows.

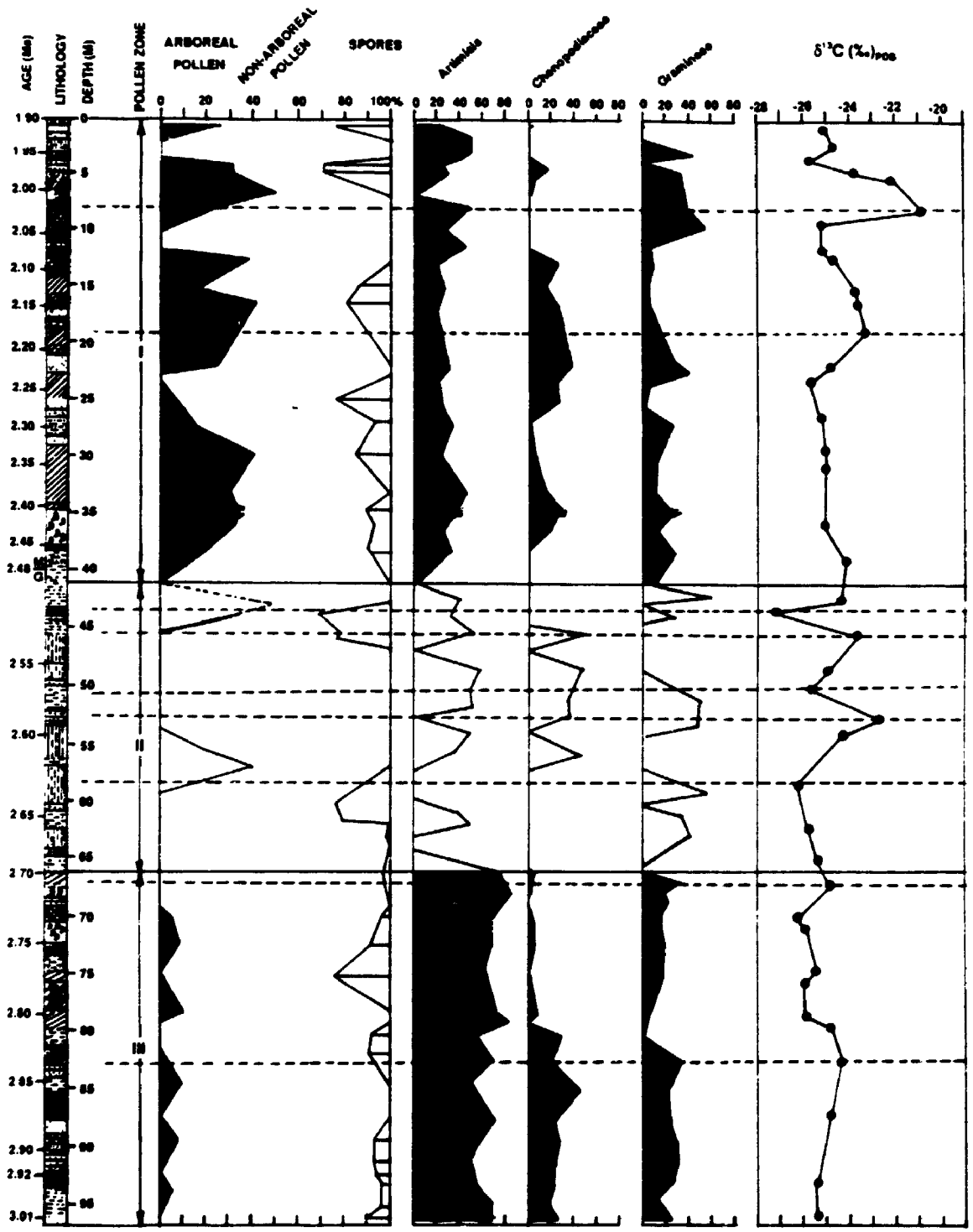
Samples were treated with 10% HCl to remove carbonate, passed through a $150 \mu\text{m}$ sieve, and then treated with HF to digest silica. The samples were then washed with distilled water and sieved through a $7 \mu\text{m}$ screen to remove silica gel and fine particles, and dehydrated with glacial acetic acid. A mixed acid (acetolysis and sulphuric acid at

a ratio of 8:1) was added to remove organic material. Samples were washed, centrifuged, and mounted in silicon oil. Pilot samples were examined in the Microfossil Lab of Brock University, and the major analysis of pollen was conducted in the Pollen Laboratory of the Geological Institute, State Seismological Bureau of China. The results are presented in Figure 5-2.

All of the samples contain low concentrations of pollen, which may reflect a high depositional rate as suggested by its sedimentary environment (floodplain). Based on pollen concentration and assemblage, the whole sequence in the Shijiawan section is divided into three pollen zones, which is coincident with lithological subdivisions. The upper zone (Zone I) is 0-40 m in depth, just covering the interval between the beginning of the Olduvai subchron and the Matuyama/Gauss boundary. In this zone, each sedimentary cycle involves a thick developed pedogenic layer in a reworked loess bed. The middle zone (Zone II) refers to the interval from 40 to 66 m in depth, i.e. from the M/G boundary to the depth of 26 m below the boundary, covering a period from 2.48 to 2.7 Ma B.P. In this stage, no obvious indications of pedogenesis have been found. The lower zone (Zone III) includes the interval from 66 m to the bottom of the sequence of this section, and indicates a duration from 2.7 to 3.05 Ma B.P. The lower zone coincides the range of reworked red clay.

The upper pollen zone (1.90-2.48 Ma B.P.) is dominated by non-arboreal species. Some arboreal pollen has been found in most samples, and constitutes a notable portion (the highest ratio is near 50%) in some horizons. *Pinus* (Pine) is the major arboreal species in all the samples which contain arboreal pollen. *Quercus*, *Juglans*, *Ulmus*, *Rhus* and *Betula* are found in some samples, but constitute only a minor fraction.

Figure 5-2. Diagrams showing pollen spectra and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ variations along the fluviolacustrine profile in the Shijiawan section. Chronological data were obtained by interpolations using age-constraints of paleomagnetic boundaries (details seen in the text). The pollen zone II, represented by open unshaded area in the pollen spectra, indicates a low concentration (usually < 20 grains/10 gram).



Euphorbiaceae, *Abies*, *Castanea*, *Salix*, *Leguminosae*, *Engelhardtia*, Solanaceae and Cypressaceae are present in only a few samples. The major non-arboreal pollen types are *Artemisia*, Chenopodiaceae and Gramineae. *Humulus* and Compositae occur in some beds, and a few shrub taxa (*Corylus* and Ericaceae) were detected in some samples. In the lower part of this zone, some of spores commonly exist with taxa of *Selaginella*, Polypodiaceae, *Polypodium* and Filicales. Compared with the lower pollen zone, non-arboreal pollen in the upper zone has proportionately more Gramineae and Chenopodiaceae but less *Artemisia*.

The middle zone (2.48-2.70 Ma B.P.) is characterized by very low pollen concentrations. There is very little diversity among the existing pollen taxa. Arboreal pollen and spores are rarely found. Except for *Artemisia* and Chenopodiaceae, the presence of the other species is negligible.

In the lower zone (2.7-3.0 Ma B.P.), non-arboreal species dominate all samples. The major taxa are *Artemisia*, Chenopodiaceae and Gramineae. Compositae commonly occur through the lower zone. As a minor constituent, *Selaginella* (spores) are also commonly present. These non-arboreal species constitute over 90% of the total pollen. Arboreal pollen present consists essentially of a single genus, *Pinus*, with very few *Salix* and *Betula* pollen grains in the lower bed and the uppermost bed of this zone. Generally, the lower zone shows a constant pollen concentration, exclusively dominated by non-arboreal species with narrow diversity.

5.4. Stable Carbon-Isotope Analysis

Some 40 samples were chosen for stable carbon-isotope analysis of organic matter

(see methods described in Chapter 3). Due to low concentration of organic matter (0.022-0.067%) and thus higher heterogeneity, the reproducibility of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values is between 0.5 and 1.2 permil. The results obtained are presented in Figure 5-2. As discussed in Chapter 3, the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signature of organic matter depends on the source material and reflects a ratio of C3/C4 plants in the organic matter. As the sedimentary material was mainly derived from the pathways (floodplain sediments), the organic matter is a mixture of local vegetation, and should be identical to that of pollen in the sediments. Although more negative $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values (around -26 permil) do not necessarily imply a forest flora (as is demonstrated by organic carbon-isotope study on modern vegetation and related soils in this region), it is useful for examining the validity of the conclusion from pollen analysis.

The variations in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures show good agreement with the pollen assemblage throughout the sequence (see Figure 5-2). In the lower zone, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values are close to -25 permil with a narrow range between -24 to -26, which is consistent with the pollen results that *Artemisia* (a C3 species) persistently exists as a dominant species throughout the interval. In contrast, Chenopodiaceae and Gramineae (C4 species) are only a minor component. A notably higher value of -24 permil coincides with a relative abundance of C4 plants. In the middle zone, the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signature fluctuated from a high value of -22 to a low of -27.5 permil and these data agree with the pollen data that the ratio of C3/C4 species (but all are non-arboreal plants) varies drastically. The lowest value corresponds to an abundance of *Artemisia* and the highest corresponds to abundant C4 species, Chenopodiaceae and/or Gramineae. In the upper zone, a pronounced $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ high was detected in an intensive pedogenic layer, corresponding to a large proportion of C4 plants as indicated by pollen spectra.

5.5. Paleovegetation and Paleoclimatic Interpretation

The fact that stable carbon-isotope signatures show agreement with pollen results indicates the pollen assemblage obtained from each bed is representative of the paleovegetation.

The pollen data (see Figure 5-2) indicate that the evolution of vegetation in this region experienced three major stages during the period from 3.05 to 1.9 Ma B.P. as suggested by the three pollen zones. From 3.0 to about 2.7 Ma., the vegetation was characterized by a typical steppe which was dominated by a dry-resistant species, *Artemisia*. Furthermore, the few arboreal pollen grains found are restricted to pine species, which seem to be from a remote source because of their high propagational capacity (cf. Færi and Iverson, 1989). Obviously, the vegetation represented by this period is of a relatively dry steppe type, substantially without trees. Consistency in the species assemblage and proportions of each species suggests that such a steppe flora lasted through the period of 3.0-2.7 Ma B.P. without any significant change, implying that the climate during that period was persistently dry. As indicated by the lithologic study, this stage coincides with reworked red-clay deposition. Therefore, the lower pollen zone substantially reflects the floral features and climate of the red clay formation.

The upper pollen zone (2.48-1.9 Ma B.P.) shows that a pronounced arboreal component existed, although its abundance varied largely. The arboreal pollen contains a large diversity including some thermophilous genera such as *Juglans*, *Ulmus* etc. The non-arboreal pollen also includes a variety of species. Pollen of Gramineae and some fern species are more abundant in the upper zone than in the lower zone. These observations indicate that the early Pleistocene flora was mainly forest-grassland, reflecting a climate

that was significantly wetter than the late Pliocene (the lower zone, the reworked red clay stage). It should be noted that the abundance of the arboreal component fluctuated frequently and significantly with a dominant amplitude from zero to about 45%. At least three large cycles are demonstrated. Although they cannot be correlated to regional climatic episodes due to uncertainty in the climatic significance of the sedimentary cycles, the floral variations indicate that the climate has periodically changed in the early Pleistocene, which is characteristic of the ice ages.

Pollen analysis indicates that the middle zone (2.7-2.48 Ma B.P.) has the lowest concentration of both pollen and organic matter. The absence of arboreal pollen in this zone indicates the paleovegetation was probably related to a grassland. Interestingly, sedimentary facies analysis indicates the flood plains experienced little pedogenesis, which is the most distinct feature of the other zones. This could suggest that erosion-deposition processes were more active than in other periods, implying a poorly vegetated ground surface in the region. The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures show large fluctuations in the middle zone, suggesting that the species in a sparse steppe vegetation altered frequently, and that the climate was unstable. These features indicate that the climate was in a transition period from a relative stable state in the late Pliocene to glacial-interglacial fluctuations in the Pleistocene.

5.6. Late Pliocene Red Clay and Climatic Implication

5.6.1. Description of the Red Clay Profiles

The reddish colour is the most distinctive feature of the red clay formation throughout the profiles, although it varies between dark red and light red (Plate 2-1).

Detailed descriptions of the Yanyu section (Figure 2-5) are presented in Table 5-1. The lithologic units of N2S1 through N2S4 in Table 5-1 belong to red clay formation. The overlying strata L32 and S32 are the lowermost part of the loess-paleosol sequence.

Besides a reddish background colour, the red clay has the following features. Similar to the loess-paleosol sequence, the red clay formation comprises multiple soil layers which implies periodic pedogenesis, but the pedogenic intensity appears stronger in the red clay formation as suggested by thicker B horizons and abundantly thick clay coatings and Fe-Mn films. Carbonate nodules are usually scattered in very thick bands with small scoriaceous shapes rather than in a precipitated bed (see Plate 5-1), and are commonly nucleated on small red clay chunks with black Fe-Mn films. This suggests that the red clay experienced multiple pedogenic periods with carbonate addition.

5.6.2. Grain-size Analysis

Grain-size analysis was conducted on the lowest loess-paleosol cycle and the upper part of the red clay formation in the Yanyu and the Luochuan sections. The results are presented in Table 5-2.

The sand (>0.063 mm) fraction constitutes a negligible proportion but shows a slightly higher concentration in the upper horizon of each pedogenic cycle in the Yanyu section. It can also be noted that this fraction increases downwards through the section. In the Luochuan section, no sand-sized grains were detected in any of the samples. This is attributed to the fact that the Yanyu section is situated in a basin margin close to the Qinling Mountains, while the Luochuan section is in a central basin.

The clay fraction (<0.002 mm) is more abundant in the red clay than in loess,

Table 5-1. Field description of the red clay formation in the lower part of the Yanyu section.

Lithologic Subdivision	Pedogenic Horizon	Thickness (cm)	Description
L32	C/Y1	320	Yellow-brown loam; dense and firm.
S32	A/Y2	40	Yellow-brown clayey loam; spongy structure.
	Bt/Y3,4,5	120	Bright brown-red silty clay; very strong blocky structure; thick and continuous clay coatings and Fe-Mn films but decreased downward.
	CCa	45	Yellowish grey calcareous nodules; Hard and dense; large size (diameter: 10-30 cm).
	C/Y6,7	320	Yellow-brown loam, dense, reddened at bottom; smooth boundary.
N2S1	A/Y8	35	Brown silty clay with little coarse sand; granular structure; small amount of pseudocellia; smooth boundary.
	Bt/Y9,10,11	180	Bright dark red clay; very strong fine blocky structure; thick clay coatings and black-brown Fe-Mn coatings (dark blue fresh fracturing surface); large blocky structure in the middle; colour becomes dull dark red; structure weakened downward; thick clay coatings through the horizon; blue clay spots occur in the lower horizon.
	CCa/Y12	20	Grey red-brown clay with small carbonate nodules containing large amount of grey clay chunks rich in Fe-Mn films; smooth boundary.
N2S2	Bt/Y13,14	120	Bright dark red clay with coarse sand; very strong blocky structure; abundant dark blue clay chunks; thick clay coatings with Fe-Mn films; dull dark reddishbrown colour in the lower horizon.
	CCa/Y15,16	250	Pale reddish brown carbonate nodules with clay matrix; small size with scoriaceous shapes in the upper 2.05 m; clay chunks with Fe-Mn film as nuclei; large-sized nodules in the lower 45 cm.
	C/Y17	100	Reddish brown silty clay; dense; small to medium sized calcareous nodules scattered through the horizon; smooth boundary.
N2S3	A/Y18	50	Brown red silty clay; dense, medium-granular structure; possessing Fe-Mn film; smooth boundary.
	Bt/Y19,20	120	Bright reddish brown clay; strong blocky structure; thick Fe-Mn coating and clay coating; very abundant blue clay chunks and small calcareous nodules in the bottom level.
	CCa/Y21-26	550	Pale reddish brown silty clay with abundant scattered small calcareous nodules; high proportion of the matrix silty clay in the nodules; clay chunks with thick Fe-Mn film and Clay coating are common nuclei; most are voidal with large calcite crystals in the interior; matrix with loose structure.
N2S4	Bt/Y27	40	Dark reddish brown clay with large amount of sand and silt; strong blocky structure; firm and friable; abundant pseudocellia covering very developed black Fe-Mn coatings; smooth boundary.
	CCa/Y28-30	200	Alternations of brown red sandy loam and yellow brown nodules; nodules connected together forming carbonate beds; very abundant Fe-Mn films in the carbonate beds; large gravels commonly occur through the interval; diminished upstream and thickened downstream.
Gravel layer	Basement	120	Poorly sorted and poorly rounded gravel layer with sand matrix; various thicknesses; unconformity with the underlying bedrock.

Table 5-2. Grain-size distribution of red clay formation in the Yanyu and Luochuan sections.

Sample#	horizon	<3 ϕ	3-4 ϕ	4-5 ϕ	5-6 ϕ	6-7 ϕ	7-8 ϕ	8-9 ϕ	9-10 ϕ	>10 ϕ
YANYU										
Y01	L32	--	0.3	6.2	28.5	13.5	11.5	11.0	10.5	18.5
Y02	S32-A	--	0.4	5.1	16.1	16.0	15.2	9.8	8.8	28.2
Y03	S32-B	--	0.5	14.5	9.0	11.0	11.0	6.0	6.0	42.0
Y04	S32-B	--	0.5	8.0	13.5	22.0	8.0	7.0	6.2	34.8
Y05	S32-B	--	0.4	7.6	23.0	14.5	11.5	9.0	7.2	26.8
Y07	L33	--	1.1	5.9	17.0	18.0	13.0	11.2	10.8	23.0
Y08	N2S1-A	1.5	0.7	15.8	13.0	11.0	11.0	9.0	7.0	31.0
Y09	N2S1-B	2.8	1.2	6.0	13.0	16.0	9.0	7.0	7.0	38.0
Y10	N2S1-B	1.0	0.3	4.7	9.5	10.5	12.0	5.0	4.0	53.0
Y11	N2S1-B	--	1.1	16.9	8.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.0	40.0
Y12	N2S1-C	--	1.2	7.8	12.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	43.0
Y13	N2S2-B	3.5	1.5	6.0	9.0	13.0	11.0	8.0	7.5	40.5
Y14	N2S2-B	3.5	1.5	7.0	8.0	12.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	47.0
Y15	N2S2-C	--	0.8	3.2	9.0	11.0	14.0	9.0	9.0	44.0
Y16	N2S2-C	--	1.5	4.0	8.5	11.0	10.0	10.0	9.0	46.0
LUOCHUAN SECTION										
LCH4	S32-B	--	0.1	2.4	19.5	12.0	14.0	10.0	8.0	34.0
LCH5	L33	--	0.2	8.8	28.0	17.0	12.0	6.0	5.0	23.0
LCH6	N2S1-B	--	0.2	5.3	16.5	13.0	12.0	6.0	7.0	40.0
LCH8	N2S1-B	--	0.2	3.8	19.2	9.8	10.0	8.0	8.0	41.0

and reaches the highest concentrations in the best-developed Bt horizons. Compared with the loess-paleosol sequence, the variation of the clay fraction in the profile is less, which can be explained by the fact that the red clay experienced multi-pedogenic processes as indicated by clay coatings and Fe-Mn films even in the CCa horizon.

5.6.3. Major Chemical Constituents

As shown in Tables 5-3 and 5-4, CaO appeared to be the most mobile constituent with a low value of 0.91% and a high value of 16.59%. For insight into the chemical change which is masked by carbonate leaching, the carbonate concentration in each sample was determined. After removal of carbonate, the major element concentrations were recalculated and listed in Table 5-4.

From the adjusted results listed in Table 5-4, it is clear that the major element composition of the red clay formation is substantially uniform through each section and between the Yanyu and Luochuan sections, and very similar to the loess. As with the paleosols interbedded in loess, SiO₂ reaches the lowest value in the best clay-illuvial horizon, while Al₂O₃ changes inversely to SiO₂. Compared with paleosols in loess, these changes are notably small. All samples of the red clay have concentrations of SiO₂ and Al₂O₃ similar to that of the overlying paleosols. Total iron (Fe₂O₃ equivalent) shows a relatively higher concentration in the red clay formation than in the loess-paleosol sequence, and is slightly enriched in the Bt horizon but does not exceed the value obtained in the overlying paleosol (sample Y03-S32-Bt: 6.71% in loess sequence; sample Y10-NS1-Bt: 6.67% in red clay). Therefore, the chemical change caused by pedogenesis in the red clay seems no more intensive than in the overlying paleosols.

Table 5-3. Major chemical constituents of the red clay formation in the Yanyu and Luochuan sections.

Sample#	Horizon	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	MnO	MgO	CaO	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Na ₂ O	LOI
Y01	L32	56.6	0.7	13.1	5.1	0.1	2.2	7.7	2.5	0.12	0.9	10.6
Y02	S32-A	62.3	0.8	14.6	5.7	0.1	2.1	2.3	3.0	0.07	0.8	7.5
Y03	S32-B	61.6	0.7	16.1	6.7	0.1	2.1	0.9	3.1	0.07	0.3	7.8
Y04	S32-B	63.6	0.7	15.3	6.1	0.1	2.3	0.9	3.0	0.07	0.5	7.1
Y05	S32-B	64.2	0.7	14.9	5.8	0.1	2.4	1.4	2.8	0.11	0.5	6.9
Y06	L33	60.0	0.7	12.8	4.9	0.1	2.1	6.0	2.4	0.12	1.0	9.0
Y07	L33	61.7	0.8	14.6	5.9	0.1	2.2	2.2	2.9	0.12	0.7	7.8
Y08	N2S1-A	63.8	0.8	14.9	5.8	0.1	2.0	1.4	3.2	0.07	0.6	6.7
Y09	N2S1-B	63.2	0.8	15.1	6.0	0.1	1.9	1.1	3.0	0.06	0.5	7.1
Y10	N2S1-B	60.9	0.7	16.5	6.7	0.1	2.3	1.0	3.1	0.08	0.1	8.4
Y11	N2S1-B	62.5	0.8	15.7	6.2	0.1	2.2	1.0	2.9	0.08	0.3	7.6
Y12	N2S1-C	58.9	0.7	14.5	5.8	0.1	2.1	4.4	2.7	0.09	0.3	9.4
Y13	N2S2-B	61.3	0.8	15.4	6.0	0.1	2.5	1.4	3.0	0.10	0.2	8.4
Y14	N2S2-B	59.7	0.7	15.9	6.3	0.1	2.4	1.7	2.9	0.05	0.1	9.4
Y15	N2S2-C	44.1	0.6	11.1	4.5	0.1	1.8	16.6	2.0	0.16	0.0	17.6
Y16	N2S2-C	61.9	0.8	15.4	6.1	0.1	2.3	2.2	3.0	0.11	0.4	7.8
LCH4	S32-B	63.1	0.8	15.9	6.3	0.1	2.6	1.0	3.0	0.06	0.6	6.2
LCH5	L33	58.9	0.7	13.6	5.3	0.1	2.4	6.2	2.6	0.14	0.7	8.9
LCH6	N2S1-B	61.6	0.8	15.7	6.3	0.1	2.2	2.2	2.9	0.06	0.4	6.9
LCH7	N2S1-B	61.8	0.8	15.9	6.4	0.1	2.3	1.9	3.0	0.07	0.3	6.7
LCH8	N2S1-B	60.8	0.8	16.0	6.4	0.1	2.5	2.5	3.0	0.08	0.3	7.7

Table 5-4. Major chemical constituents of the red clay in the Yanyu and Luochuan sections after removal of carbonates.

Sample# /Horizon	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	MnO	MgO	CaO	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Na ₂ O	LOI	CaCO ₃
Y01/L32	62.89	0.75	14.52	5.72	0.10	2.44	2.26	2.78	0.13	0.96	6.87	10.08
Y02/S32A	63.54	0.78	14.89	5.85	0.11	2.16	1.23	3.02	0.07	0.83	6.78	1.98
Y03/S32B	61.77	0.73	16.18	6.71	0.10	2.13	0.72	3.12	0.07	0.33	7.69	0.25
Y04/S32B	63.76	0.74	15.33	6.12	0.09	2.29	0.75	2.96	0.07	0.54	7.00	0.16
Y05/S32B	65.07	0.75	15.04	5.88	0.09	2.37	0.95	2.83	0.11	0.51	6.61	0.75
Y06/L33	65.73	0.75	13.99	5.38	0.08	2.32	1.15	2.64	0.13	1.05	5.58	8.80
Y07/L33	62.55	0.77	14.84	5.95	0.10	2.23	1.40	2.91	0.12	0.73	7.32	1.37
Y08/NS1A	64.40	0.82	15.00	5.89	0.11	1.99	0.85	3.20	0.07	0.60	6.32	1.00
Y09/NS1B	63.65	0.80	15.16	5.99	0.11	1.94	0.73	3.05	0.06	0.46	6.82	0.66
Y10/NS1B	60.93	0.71	16.53	6.67	0.10	2.25	0.87	3.07	0.08	0.14	8.38	0.10
Y11/NS1B	62.46	0.79	15.74	6.19	0.11	2.19	0.91	2.87	0.08	0.27	7.58	0.00
Y12/NS1C	62.02	0.77	15.29	6.10	0.10	2.19	1.63	2.86	0.09	0.35	7.55	5.06
Y13/NS2B	62.14	0.77	15.59	6.12	0.11	2.57	0.68	3.01	0.10	0.19	7.95	1.28
Y14/NS2B	60.56	0.72	16.16	6.42	0.09	2.40	0.89	2.94	0.05	0.14	8.87	1.37
Y15/NS2C	61.36	0.78	15.38	6.23	0.10	2.53	1.21	2.71	0.22	0.00	7.33	28.08
Y16/NS2C	63.69	0.79	15.81	6.30	0.10	2.40	0.62	3.09	0.11	0.45	6.77	2.81
LC4/S32B	63.40	0.75	15.09	6.33	0.11	2.56	0.71	3.06	0.06	0.63	6.49	0.50
LC5/L33	60.40	0.78	15.08	5.90	0.09	2.62	0.74	2.83	0.16	0.82	5.04	9.93
LC6/NS1B	62.96	0.79	16.06	6.43	0.10	2.26	0.92	3.01	0.06	0.40	6.10	2.23
LC7/NS1B	62.25	0.80	16.31	6.57	0.11	2.32	0.62	3.07	0.07	0.35	5.83	2.32
LC8/NS1B	62.53	0.77	16.50	6.62	0.11	2.55	0.88	3.06	0.08	0.30	6.58	2.98

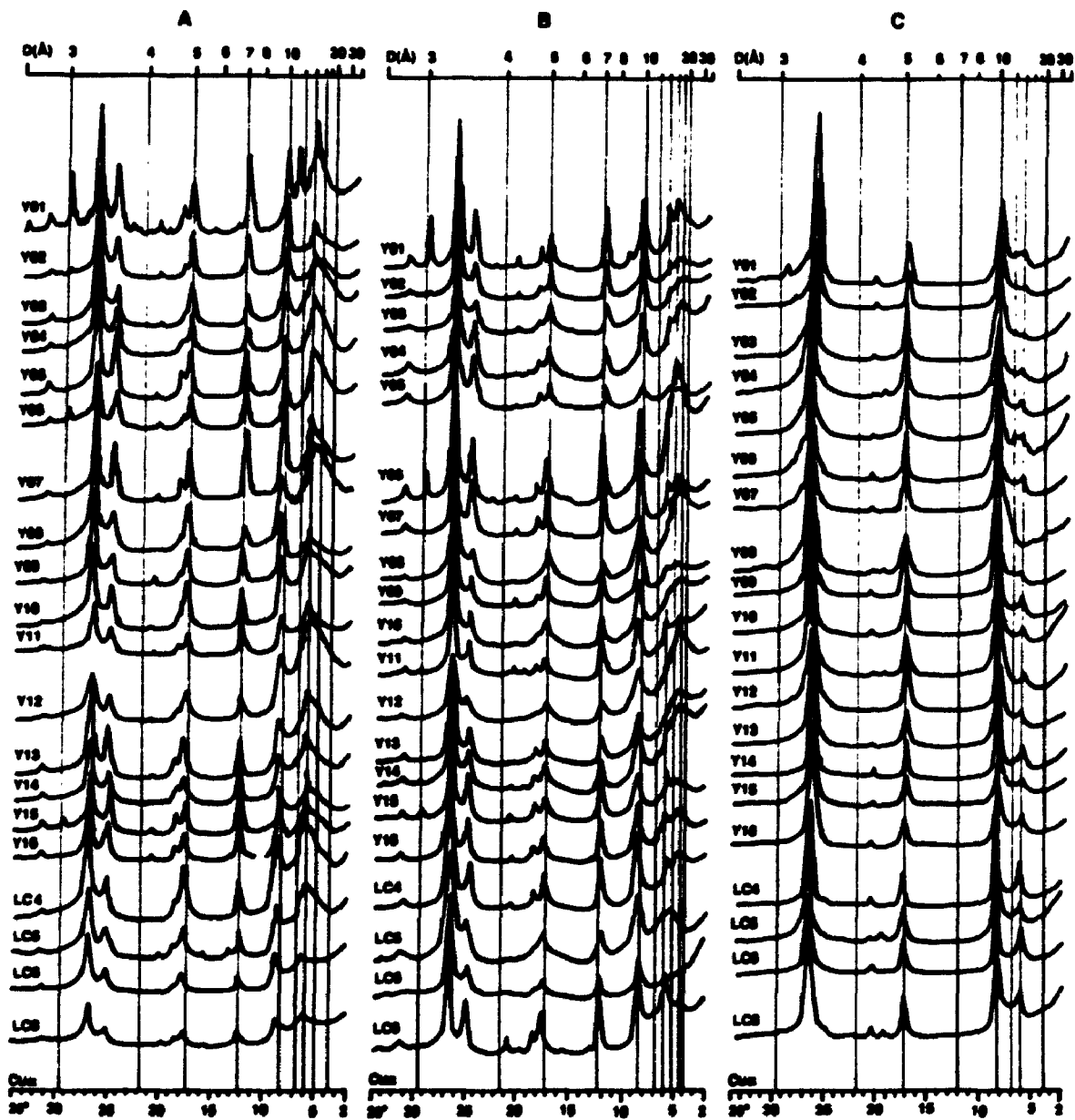
TiO₂, MnO, K₂O and even MgO show little change in concentration throughout the profiles. Na₂O appears depleted in the red clay formation relative to the loess-paleosol sequence.

5.6.4. Clay Mineralogy

The XRD spectra of the clays present in the red clay formation from the Yanyu section and the Luochuan section are shown in Figure 5-3. Basically, the clay mineralogy of the red clay is very similar to that in the loess. The major constituents are illite (peaks 3.34, 4.98 and 10.05 Å), chlorite (peaks 3.56, 4.72 and 14.2 Å), smectite (peak 17.2 Å in glycol-treated samples) and irregularly interstratified material (wide peak band between 14 and 18 Å or more in glycol-treated samples). Incomplete collapse of smectite and interstratified clays (indicated by peaks between 10 and 14 Å in the heated samples) suggest that these minerals contain some interlayer hydroxyl aluminium or iron (cf. Catt, 1990). The presence of kaolinite is indicated by the relatively stable intensity (peak height) of the 7.1 Å peak when chlorite content decreases (see sample Y09). Small amounts of quartz (4.25 Å peak) and calcite (2.85 and 3.03 Å) exist in some samples. The presence of vermiculite cannot be confirmed, but at most it constitutes a negligible part, if any, because chlorite exists in fairly constant amounts in most samples.

In the best developed B horizon (sample Y10 in the Yanyu section), there is significant enrichment of irregularly interstratified clays and depletion of chlorite and smectite. The changes in the combination of clay minerals through pedogenic horizons in the red clay formation show a similar trend as in the overlying paleosols in the loess sequence, more abundant chlorite and smectite in the C horizons and depleted chlorite

Figure 5-3. XRD spectra of clay minerals. Samples Y01-Y16 are from the Yanyu section and LC4-LC8 from the Luochuan section. A, untreated oriented samples; B, glycol-treated samples; C, samples heated at 560°C for 4 hrs.



in the A horizon (compare the pedogenic cycle represented by samples Y08 to Y12 in the red clay with paleosol S32 represented by samples Y02 through Y07). The major clay mineralogical difference between the red clay formation and the overlying loess sequence is the presence of abundant interstratified clays in all the red clay horizons as indicated by the glycol-treated samples (which is correlated with the high percentages of the loss on ignition (L.O.I.) in the chemical analytic data, (see Table 5-4)). This may reflect the multiple pedogenic processes which occur in the red clay formation. Another distinct feature of clay mineralogy in the red clay is that chlorite is present in significant proportions, but disappears in the loess-derived paleosol S5 in the Shijiawan section as has been shown in Chapter 4.

5.6.5. Provenance of the Red Clay

As briefly mentioned in Chapter 1, the origin of the red clay formation remains controversial.

Field observations indicate that the red clay formations overlie a large variety of bedrocks with various topography in a large range of altitudes. It occurs as the basement of the loess-paleosol sequence in basins (e.g., Luochuan, Xifeng in Shaanxi Province, and many graben basins in Shanxi Province), or as rugged hills extensively exposed near deserts in the western provinces (such as north Shaanxi, south Ningxia, east Gansu etc.).

The occurrence of the red clay formation with a vast distribution range is consistent with the range of the loess, from the desert margin in west and northwest China to the North China Plain in the east. Great thicknesses were observed in the regions close to the deserts, and they exceed 100 m in South Ningxia. In the Guanzhong

basin, a 61.5 m thick red clay section was reported (Zheng et al., 1991), but commonly it is between 10 and 50 m. That means a thickness gradient from the northwest desert to the southeast regions exists.

Grain-size distribution patterns of the red clay in the studied sections follow that of the loess, they are restricted to sizes less than 0.063 mm, and uniform between sections, even though there is a 300 km distance between the Yanyu section and the Luochuan section, supporting an aeolian origin.

The chemical composition of the red clay in the two distantly separated sections all show a large amount of calcite, indicating slight chemical weathering during pedogenesis. Furthermore, the two identical sections in terms of mineralogy and grain-size with different bedrocks, deny a local provenance of the red clay from bedrock weathering. The fact that these analyses demonstrate no significant difference in chemical composition between the red clay and the loess suggests a similar source, both derived from deserts in the northwest. Massive structure characterizes the red clay formation, as observed in loess, also suggesting the same transport agent.

It should be stressed that faunal and floral fossils are good environmental indicators for a period of pedogenesis or deposition, but they cannot provide the evidence of the material source as was suggested by previous studies (e.g., Anderson, 1923; Chen, 1994). In some regions the red clay has been reworked and shows some hydrogenic features. However, it is not representative of the general case, nor the indicator of primary origin.

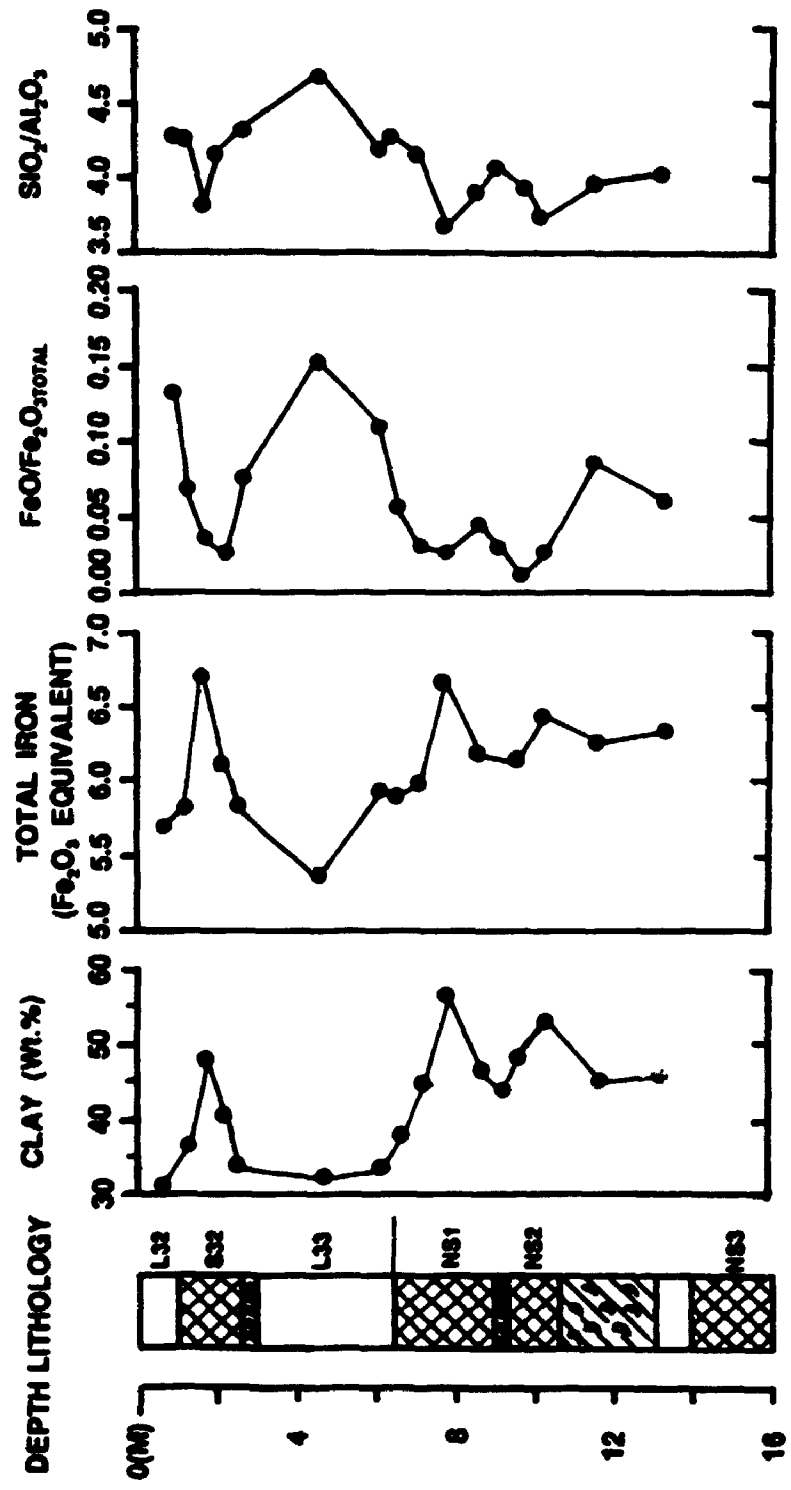
5.6.6. Pedogenic Processes and Climatic Implications

Thick clay coatings are commonly observed throughout the red clay profiles and have been confirmed by photomicroscopy. As discussed in Chapter 4, their development requires a temporarily water-saturated pedoclimate and a fixed ground surface, thus suggesting a dense vegetation cover. Calcareous nodules in the red clay formation are commonly nucleated on clay chunks with Fe-Mn films, implying that the horizons in which these nodules accumulated had been thoroughly decalcified and then later received renewed carbonate leaching from pedogenic processes. Scorioid shaped nodules randomly scattered in a rather thick band (see Plate 5-1) suggest that the post-pedogenic carbonate leaching occurred continuously throughout the red clay formation. This requires the dustfall rate to be relatively constant (no obvious episodes of fast and low deposition as implied by loess and paleosols), and slow enough (relative to the pedogenic rate) to allow the new material to achieve thorough decalcification and the previously formed nodules to be leached to some extent to obtain the scorioid shapes observed. Therefore, a stable pedoclimate and constant low dustfall rate required by the red clay formation can be suggested.

Clay mineralogical studies show a pronounced depletion of smectite and enrichment of irregularly interstratified material in the B horizon. Unlike the paleosol S5 in the Shijiawan section and the overlying paleosol S32 in the Yanyu section, significant amounts of chlorite exist in all the horizons in the red clay formation, and a decrease was only observed in the best developed Bt horizons (see figure 5-4). Furthermore, the presence of vermiculite is clearly demonstrated in the Bt horizon of the S5 in the Shijiawan section which is situated about 30 km away from the Yanyu section in the same

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Figure 5-4. Graphic illustrations of variations in the clay-sized fraction and some chemical factors through the lower part of the Yanyu section. The interval from L32 to L33 belongs to the loess-paleosol sequence, and the interval from NS1 to the bottom is for the red clay formation.



basin. It is evident that clay mineral transformations and/or alterations in the red clay are less intensive than in the S5, implying a drier pedoclimate during the formation of the red clay. This provides an argument against the widely held opinion that the red clay formation reflects a humid subtropic climate.

Chemical analyses indicate little change in MnO, MgO and K₂O through the red clay profile. This is comparable with the overlying loess, indicating only slight chemical alteration during pedogenesis, which may suggest low precipitation.

The uppermost horizon of calcareous nodules with small size occurs at 180 cm in depth, similar to the leaching depth of the overlying paleosol S32. As has been mentioned previously, the nodules in the red clay were precipitated on a former clay illuvial horizon. This suggests carbonate saturation was caused entirely by water loss. On the other hand, the carbonate saturation as indicated by calcareous nodule formation in loess was favoured by both the original detrital calcite content and water loss. In this aspect, the formation depth in the red clay would be notably greater than in the loess-derived paleosols if the pedoclimate is the same. Therefore, it seems to reflect a drier climate during the red clay development than during the formation of the overlying paleosol in the Quaternary loess sequence.

As shown in Figure 5-4, the total iron content reaches its highest value in the B horizon, similar to the value in the overlying paleosol S32. Clay content shows a similar variation, suggesting that this process was mainly caused by mechanical translocation of fine particles. An inverse change in SiO₂ is attributable to clay mineral migration, because quartz is dominant in the silt fraction, while depleted in clay-sized fraction. Compared with the loess-paleosol cycles in the Quaternary, smaller variations in FeO/Fe₂O₃,

$\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$, total iron and clay content throughout the red clay profile provide further evidence for a climatic interpretation that the red clay formation was developed under a rather stable and drier pedoclimate with a low dustfall rate.

Compared with the overlying paleosol, the red clay contains slightly but systematically less Na_2O and a larger clay sized fraction in both sections (see Table 5-4). This could be a function of in situ weathering or a difference in source materials. As Na_2O in the red clay mainly resides in silt-sized albite, clay particle-enriched material should be depleted in Na_2O . It is suggested that a low dustfall rate implies weak wind strength and a larger clay-sized fraction in the dust.

The dominant feature of the red clay is its colour, which can lead to a tropic or subtropic climatic interpretation. Previous studies on soil rubefication (reddening) show that it is related to an increase in hematite (Kemp, 1985; Barron and Torrent, 1986). Guillet and Souchier (1982) stress the importance of almost neutral pH and a strong seasonal climate with hot-dry summers. Schwertmann et al. (1982) show that the rubefication of the soils on silt or clayey moraines in southern Germany positively correlates with an increase in mean annual temperature and inversely correlates to an increase in mean annual precipitation. But it was also suggested that relatively high humidity is necessary for rubefication (Gardner and Pye, 1981). Birkeland (1974) considers that the rubefication is largely related to age.

For understanding the factors related to reddening, and to avoid the aging factor, the paleosol S5-I in the Shijiawan and Chang'an sections was selected. The S5 in the Chang'an section has a more reddish colour, a greater clay fraction, a lower $\text{FeO}/\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ratio and a lower concentration of organic matter than the Shijiawan S5. Therefore,

rubefication in the loess seems to be related to fine hematite (in clay fractions), organic matter decomposition and ferrous iron oxidation. The required pedogenic conditions do not imply high precipitation as required by a forest environment.

It should be stressed that the abundant Fe-Mn films observed in the red clay and paleosols in loess (as confirmed by scanning electron microscopy) do not indicate a seasonal water-oversaturated pedo-condition, because the occurrence of the Fe-Mn films is restricted to the clay coated surface. If a water over-saturated condition was achieved and the water stagnated, the reducing condition should have been obtained for the horizons between the water table and the impervious layer, and the ferrous iron should have been observed in the soil matrix of the stagnating zone. Obviously, the well developed fine-blocky structure would collapse. Furthermore, there is no evidence of diffusion or migrating triotubules of ferrous iron in the matrix or in cracks as described by Pipujol and Buurman (1994). Therefore, the climatic implication of the Fe-Mn films in the red clay and in loess-derived paleosols is similar to clay coatings. It is also possible that microorganisms are an important factor.

5.7. Environmental Change During the Period of 3.0-1.9 Ma B.P.

5.7.1. Climate Change

Evidence obtained from fluviolacustrine sediments and red clay indicates a profound and drastic change in climate during the period from 3.0 to 1.9 Ma B.P. This change is marked by three distinct periods.

1) 3.05-2.7 Ma B.P. Climate in this period was characterized by being constant, warm and dry. Pollen data demonstrate a prolonged sage vegetation with a narrow

diversity, suggesting that the amount of precipitation was less than during the early Quaternary interglacials and conditions present today. Although a pollen flora of subtropic to warm temperate forest-grasslands was reported from a section located in the eastern central Guanzhong basin (Sun et al., 1987), this study shows no species typical of the subtropics, consistent with the study in the Jingle basin (Mo and Derbyshire, 1991) which is also located in a warm temperate zone. The occurrence of elephant fossils in the thick sand bed (about 2.8 Ma) in the Shijiawan section seem to indicate the later Pliocene climate could be warmer than today.

2). 2.7-2.48 Ma B.P. Palynological study, stable carbon isotope analysis and sedimentary facies analysis indicate that this period is characterized by scanty vegetation with frequent substitutions in plant taxa (all are non-arboreal C3 and C4 species) and intensive erosion, which implies a harsh and capricious climate. These characteristics probably reflect a climatic transition from a stable warm Pliocene condition to large warm-cold fluctuations in the Pleistocene. Sedimentary analyses indicate that this period includes the final stage (2.7-2.61 Ma B.P.) of the red clay formation and the early stage of loess deposition (2.61-2.48 Ma B.P.).

3). 2.48-1.9 Ma B.P. The climate fluctuated with large amplitudes, which is revealed by pollen combinations, especially by arboreal constituents, and variations in the sedimentary cycles. These features are more clearly visualized by the loess-paleosol alternations and have been discussed in numerous publications. Nevertheless, this study directly demonstrates the biological response. Floras fluctuated between forest grasslands with a wide diversity and sparse dry-steppe types with a few non-arboreal species, reflecting a climate which oscillated between warmer-wetter and cold-dry episodes. But

it does not seem to be of the warm-dry fashion as occurred in the Pliocene.

5.7.2. Changes in the Aeolian Deposition Rate

As has been discussed above, the red clay and loess were all derived from deserts in the west and northwest. Using the data from the Lantian section which is well dated by Zheng et al. (1991), the 14 m red clay column formed in the Gauss Chron (from 3.4 to 2.48 Ma B.P.) implies a $1.56 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$ accumulation rate, a similar value to that obtained from the Baoji section ($1.5 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$) by Evans et al. (1990). During the Matuyama Chron (2.48-0.73 Ma B.p.), an 83.5 m column of loess-paleosols with a $4.64 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$ accumulation rate exists. In the same way, a $7.14 \text{ cm}/10^3 \text{ yr}$ rate is obtained for the Brunhes period. For comparison of dustfall rates in different periods, we express these data as a ratio of $\text{weight}/\text{cm}^2 \cdot 10^3 \text{ yr}$ following the method used by Liu et al. (1985) with neglect of mass loss after deposition. The mean specific weight of each period is also adopted from Liu et al. (1985). Calculations show that the dustfall rates of the periods of 3.4-2.50 Ma, 2.50-0.73 Ma and 0.73-0 Ma B.P. are 3.10, 8.35 and 11.78 $\text{g}/\text{cm}^2 \cdot 10^3 \text{ yr}$, respectively. These rates are consistent with those obtained from the Luochuan section (see Table 5-5).

It is evident that the dustfall rate of the red clay formation is much lower than that of the loess-paleosol sequence. Such a remarkable change in dustfall rate implies an abrupt and great strengthening of the Siberian cold-high pressure center at about 2.5-2.7 Ma B.P., because the strength of the northwest winds in China is controlled by this cold-high (Liu et al., 1981, 1985; An et al., 1993). Furthermore, a warmer and drier climatic pattern in the later Pliocene period cannot be explained by the modern east Asian

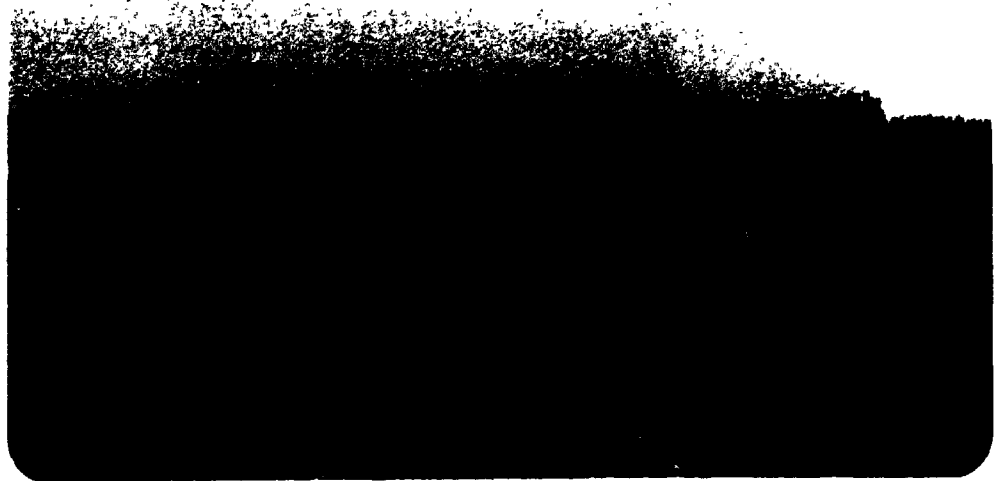
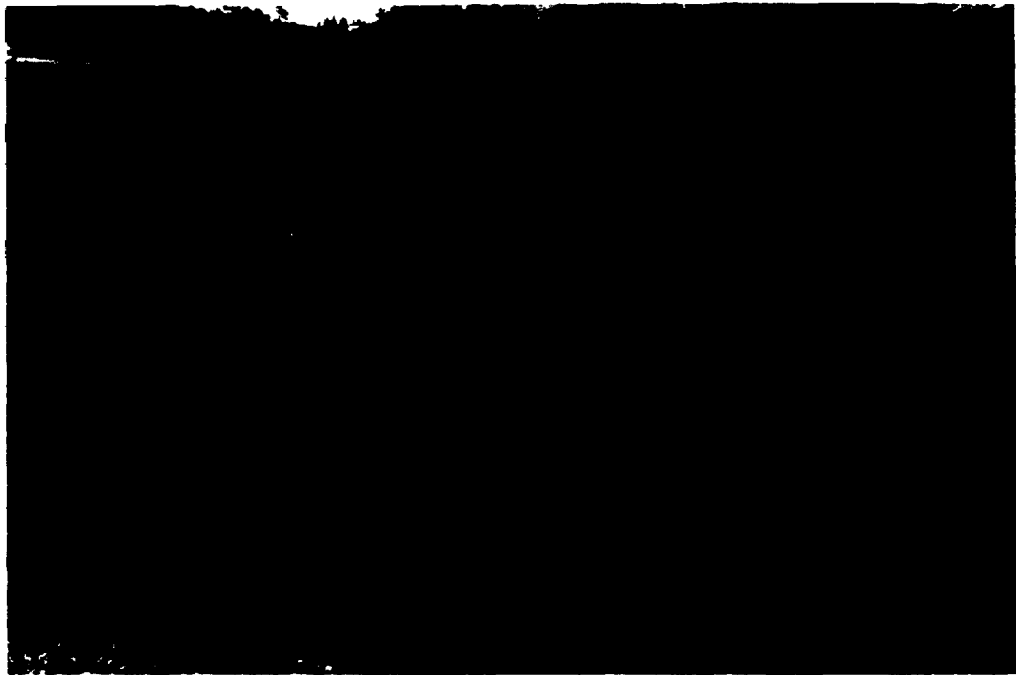
Table 5-5 Dustfall rates through the past 3.4 Ma.

Periods (Ma B.P.)	Lantian Section (g/cm ² .10 ³ yr)	Luochuan Section (g/cm ² .10 ³ yr)	Mean Specific Weight (g/cm ³)
0-0.73	12.64	12.32	1.77
0.73-0.97	--	16.79	1.87
0.97-1.87	--	8.68	1.92
1.87-2.48	--	8.68	1.98
0.73-2.50	8.96	9.83	1.93
2.50-3.40	3.10	--	1.99

monsoon. Therefore, a profound change in the climate regime must have occurred.

Plate 5-I. Upper: A photo showing that the carbonate nodules in the red clay are scattered through a thick band. Scorious shapes suggest post-pedogenic leaching.

Lower: Loess deposits derived from marine sediments when seawater retreated from the region. Photo shows a loess section in Dalian, on the north margin of the Bohai Gulf (see text Chapter 6).



CHAPTER 6
CLIMATIC CHANGE IN THE LOESS PLATEAU DURING
THE PAST THREE MILLION YEARS:
THE GLOBAL SIGNIFICANCE

6.1. Introduction

Studies on the fluviolacustrine sequences, the red clay formation and the loess-paleosol sequences, demonstrate that the climate in the loess plateau has been subjected to profound changes during the past 3 million years, which include fluctuation in response to glacial-interglacial oscillations and an irreversible change marking a revolution in the climate regime. A relatively stationary warm and dry climate in the late Pliocene was replaced by oscillations between cold-dry and warm-wetter periods in the Quaternary. Many of the previous studies emphasize the influence of the Siberian cold-high air pressure cell on dust transport and loess accumulation and suggest that the Siberian High must have been greatly strengthened during glacial periods with an associated weakening of the southeast Asia monsoon (it is assumed that they compete against each other). Comparison of climatic records from the loess-paleosol sequences and deep sea sediments shows good agreement (Heller and Liu, 1984; Liu et al., 1985; X.M. Liu, 1987; Kukla, 1987; Ding et al., 1991; Heller and Evans, 1995), even for some rather short period cold events (An et al., 1991, 1993; Porter and An, 1995). However, the linkage between the regional record and global climatic signals is still under discussion. In this chapter, we will demonstrate a mechanism of sea level-precipitation interlock which transmitted

global glacial-interglacial climate signals into central China.

As noted in field observations and confirmed by this study, a sharp change in sedimentary environment from "red clay" formation to loess accumulation suggests an abrupt shift of the regional climate pattern or a rapid reorganization of the environmental system at 2.5 Ma B.P. Early studies stressed the importance of the Tibetan Plateau uplift in the formation of the modern east Asia monsoon climate and the development of the desert-loess plateau coupled system (Zhang, 1981; Liu and Han, 1988; Ding et al., 1992). New evidence from the fluviolacustrine sequence and the red clay formation (see Chapter 5) indicates that the climatic transition from a Pliocene pattern to the modern east Asia monsoon was completed in a period of about 100 ka. This requires that any explanation must take the rapidity of the transition into serious consideration before it invokes an orogenic forcing for such a climate regime revolution. This time factor was ignored in previous studies (e.g., Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988; Ruddiman and Kutzbach, 1991; Liu and Han, 1988; Ding et al., 1992). Furthermore, the altitude of the Tibetan Plateau at 2.5 Ma is quite controversial (Harrison et al., 1992; Burbank et al., 1993; Coleman and Hodges, 1995). If the Tibetan plateau achieved its present height some 8 million years ago, its climatic significance in the worldwide glaciation (Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988; Ruddiman and Kutzbach, 1991) will be critically challenged and the timing of the reorganization of the east Asian physiological system and the forcing mechanism must be reconsidered. In this chapter, the role of the Tibetan Plateau uplift in the Quaternary global glaciation is considered with emphasis on the timing.

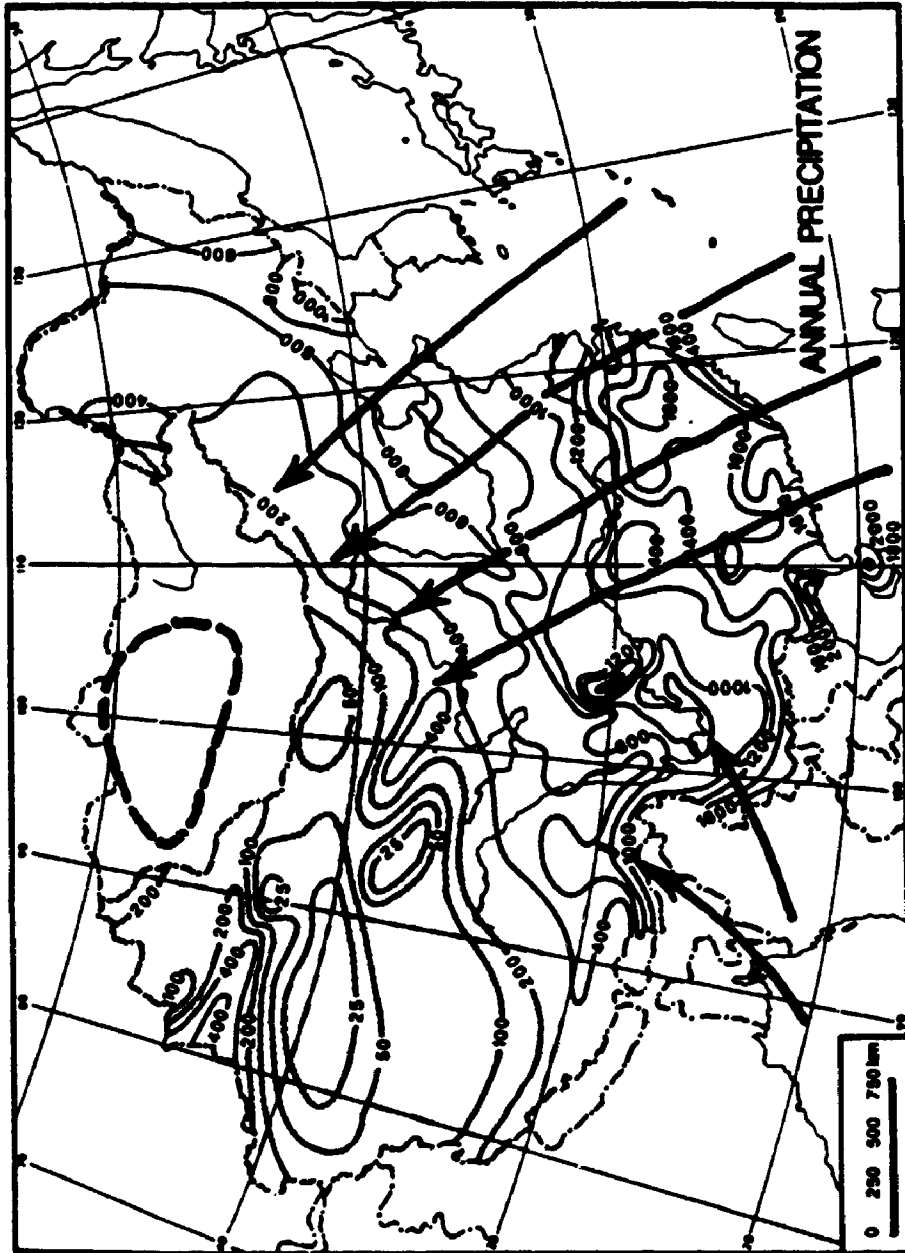
6.2. Linkage Between Climate of North China and Sea Level Change

Modern climate in most of China is dominated by two high pressure centres in different seasons, the south Pacific high pressure cell in summer and the Mongolian/Siberian high pressure cell in winter. The Indian oceanic monsoon only influences a small area in southwestern China. Therefore, the southeast monsoon is the major source of precipitation for most of the country and brings additional heat to those regions (cf., Lin, 1984). The winter monsoon, which is cold and dry, greatly influences the climate in winter and spring, especially in North China. Therefore, climatic conditions substantially reflect the intensities of the summer monsoon (east Pacific oceanic high) and the winter monsoon (Siberian cold-dry high).

The distribution patterns of mean annual temperature and precipitation in China show that the climatic conditions strongly relate to the distance from the east coast (the west Pacific margin). As shown by Figure 6-1, the precipitation decreases nearly linearly with distance away from the coastline. This relationship is evident for the past 18,000 years.

During the last glacial maximum, the sea level dropped 130-150 m in the East China Sea and 100-120 m in the South China Sea (Zhao, 1982; Wang, 1992). The east coast migrated seawards more than 600 km on average (and even over 1000 km for some regions) away from the present position (Winkler and Wang, 1993; Wang, 1995; cf., First Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic Administration, 1984). The Bohai Gulf was exposed and subjected to deflation which resulted in thick loess deposition (Plate 5-1) in the coastal regions (Han, 1987). These types of sea shelf deserts occurred in a large area of the west Pacific margin, including the whole Bohai Gulf, the Yellow Sea, the East China Sea, the northern part of the South China Sea (Qin and Zhao, 1991), and even the

Figure 6-1. Modern mean annual precipitation (mm) in China (modified from Winkler and Wang, 1993). Areas which receive less than 300 mm are stippled and essentially coincide with areas where the aridity index is greater than 2. Arrows indicate the precipitation gradient and the summer monsoon directions. The broken line circle denotes the Siberian (Mongolian) cold high cell in winter. Data from Lin, 1984.



Java Sea. Japan, Taiwan and the Hainan Island were connected to the continent (see Figure 6-3). *Bulcella frigida*, a cold-water foraminifer, shifted 5° southward in latitude and grew in the East China Sea, and spruce and fir forests covered most of Japan and expanded in China (Winkler and Wang, 1993). These forests grew at least 1200 m lower than at present in both the eastern and western mountain ranges of China, while frozen steppe covered large regions in the northern half of the country (Hou, 1979; Teachers College of northwest China, 1984; Ren et al., 1985).

In North China, a high stand of sea level was registered by a widespread transgression 6000 years B.P. It reached a position in the Beijing lowlands of the North China Plain as far as 100 km from the present margin (Zhao et al., 1980, 1982; Zhao and Zhang, 1985; Zhao and Qin, 1982), a view which is supported by Japanese studies (Matsushima, 1976). This is coincident with a major wetter episode during that time. Evidence indicates that most of China was warmer and wetter than at present and lake levels were higher throughout most of the country (see Figure 6-2). Therefore, it strongly suggests that the intensity of the summer monsoon in China is strictly interlocked to the west Pacific margin which is controlled by eustatic sea level change. By this linkage, the world glacial climate signals were transmitted into the regional climatic regime.

Taking today's precipitation gradient versus the distance from the west Pacific margin and the 200 mm mean annual isopluvial line as the southeast margin of the deserts as observed at present, the desert margin at 18 000 year B.P. should be roughly overlapping the modern 700 mm isopluvial line. That means, the whole loess plateau lay in a desert climate zone (see Figure 6-2), and the Guanzhong basin, the warmest and wettest region in the loess plateau could only have received 100 mm of annual rainfall.

Figure 6-2. Time series of paleoenvironmental parameters and paleoclimate in east Asia since the last glacial maximum (from Winkler and Wang, 1993). The locations indicated in the diagram include "north of 35 N" (the Coastal regions with latitudes higher than 35 °N). "south of 35 N (the coastal regions with latitudes lower than 35 °N). "loess plateau" (the Chinese Loess Plateau), "northeast" (Northeast China), "west" (west China), "south" (South China), "Q-X" (Qinghai-Xizang Plateau, The Tibetan Plateau). "Q-X & X" (Tiben Plateau and Xinjiang), and Japan.

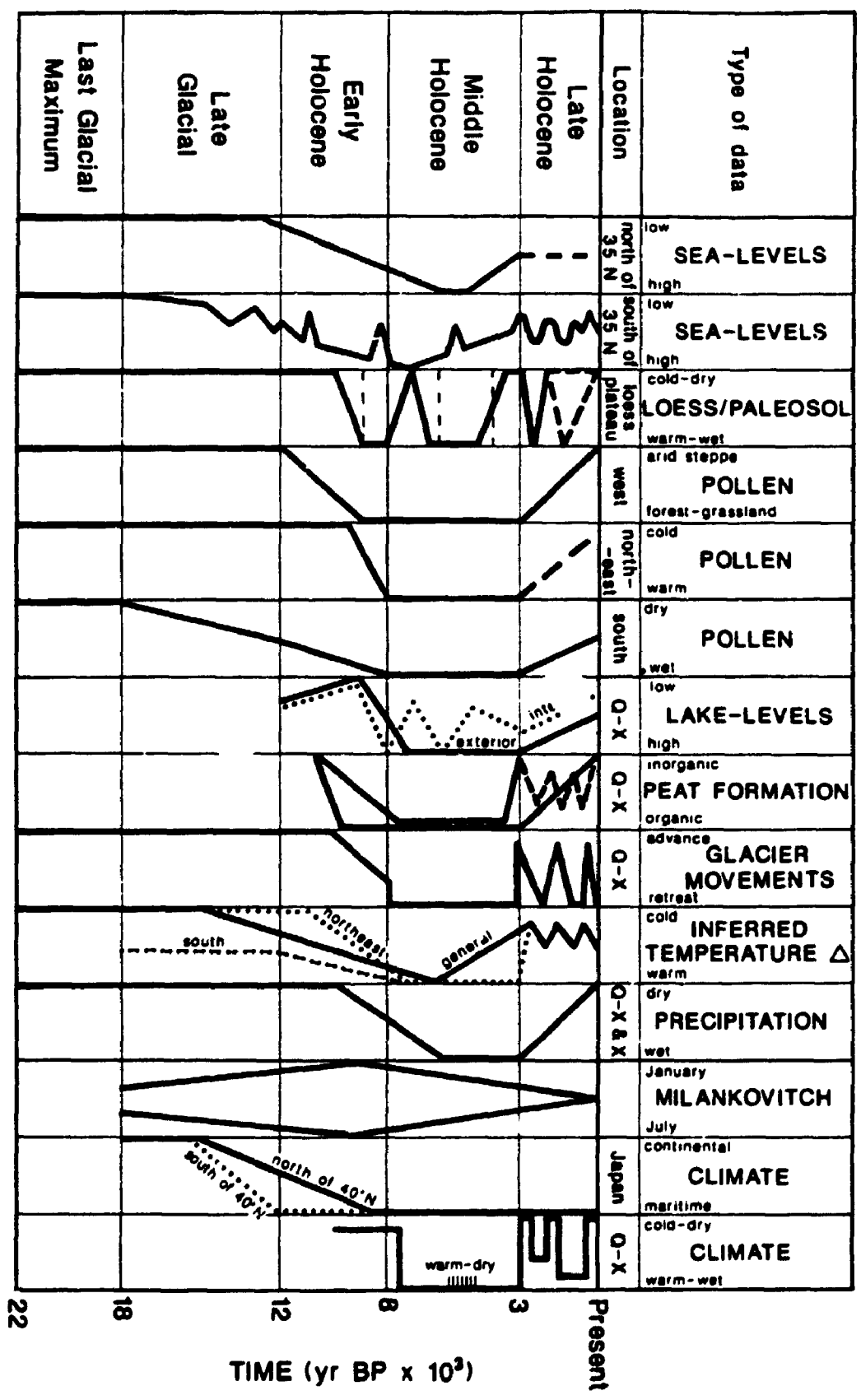
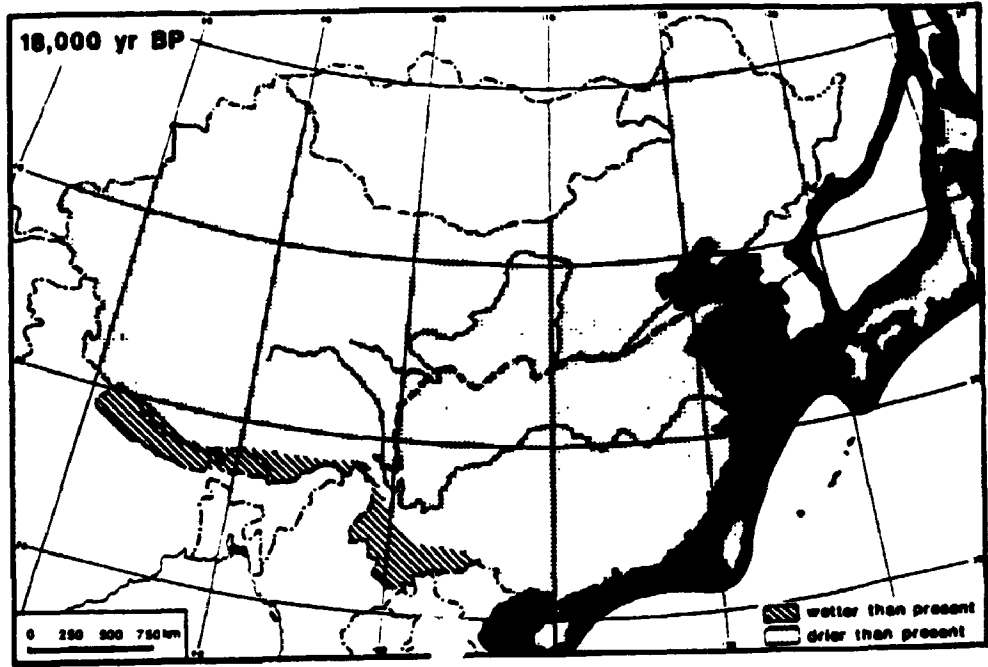
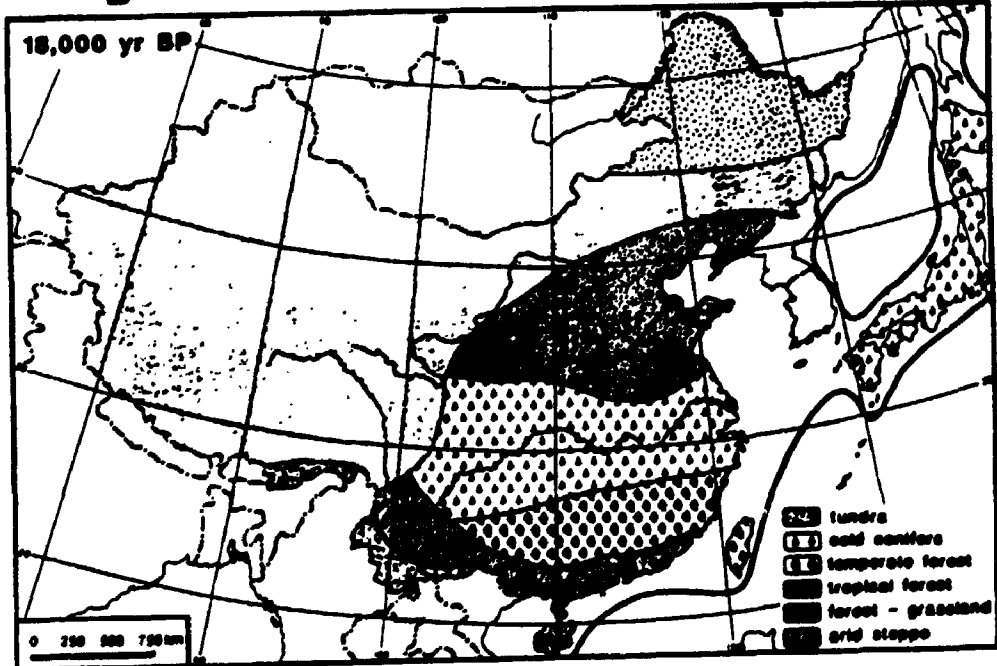


Figure 6-3. A, relative paleoprecipitation map (modified from Winkler and Wang, 1993) at 18,000 year B.P. (showing areas wetter than, drier than, or the same as at present) constructed from biogeologic evidence (Ren et al., 1985). Black areas are the exposed shallow sea or continental shelves caused by sea level lowering at the last glacial maximum. The broken line is a 200 mm isopluvial line postulated by the distance from west pacific margin as suggested by a sea level-interlocked precipitation hypothesis (see text for explanation). B, Paleovegetation map at 18,000 year B.P. (from Winkler and Wang, 1993) constructed from the pollen and macrofossil evidence. Note the western China was totally vegetated by arid steppe. The heavy lines in the ocean denote the regions which became continental deserts matching the black areas shown in map A.

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B



This is why the detrital calcite in the loess layers are preserved with little eluviation.

The inferred change in summer monsoon intensity actually results from the regional influence of the southeast Pacific high pressure cell. In other words, it is a combined result caused by changes in the distance from the coast and the absolute intensity of the southeast Pacific high. In fact, the Pacific High is affected by the sea surface temperature (SST). Higher SST causes greater evaporation and thus favours intensification of the southeast Asia monsoon. At the last glacial maximum, the SST in the south China Sea dropped 2-5 °C in mean annual values and 0.9-3.0 °C in summer (Wang, 1995). A 10-20% decrease in evaporation could be expected (cf. Lamb, 1972). This could have reduced the strength of the summer monsoon and further reduced the estimated paleoprecipitation during glacial periods. For individual locations and short periods, however, it is difficult to confirm such a relation. As observed in west Africa, the air humidity in drought years can be even higher than normal years (Blumenthal, 1990). The relations between SST and the summer monsoon intensity are more complicated than a simple linear relationship over a small time-scale, as observed by Barnett et al. (1991) and Ni and Qian (1991). This implies that errors on small scale localities may exist in the reconstructions.

As well, the proposed sea level-precipitation linkage cannot be used to estimate the climatic harshness which is governed by the northwest winter monsoon. The climatic harshness controller is the Siberian cold high. The winter monsoon intensity is expressed by the loess deposition rate and the grain-size distribution, whereas the summer monsoon influence is in the pedogenic intensity after deposition which modifies the depositional appearance. Caution must be taken in the interpretation of various parameters, for

example, grain-size distribution, clay content, and mobile chemical constituents etc.

6.3. Relationship between the Summer Monsoon and the Winter Monsoon

^{10}Be flux studies indicate that the dust deposition rate in loess layers is much higher than in the paleosols (Shen et al., 1992, 1994; Beer et al., 1993), suggesting the different influences of the summer and winter monsoons. The simulated results of the winter global air temperature and pressure fields by Kutzbach et al. (1993) show 16-32 °C lower temperature and 8-16 mb higher air pressure in the high north of Asia during the last glacial maximum than at present, supporting a great intensification of the winter monsoon. The interbedded paleosol study of the loess sequence indicates a relatively stable ground surface necessary for clay coating development, which is consistent with a low dustfall rate. Therefore, such a competing relation between the summer and the winter monsoons is tenable on the glacial cycle time scale.

Study of the Younger Dryas cold event in the loess record suggests that both the summer monsoon and the winter monsoon were intensified during that period (An et al., 1991, 1993). Although the Younger Dryas event occurred at least as a hemispheric phenomenon (cf. Ruddiman and McIntyre, 1981; Dansgaard et al., 1989; Lindley and Thunell, 1990; Kudrass et al., 1991), global sea level had greatly risen since the last glacial maximum. Most areas of the west pacific margin were submerged, which must have greatly enhanced the influence of the southeast monsoon on inland China. On the other hand, this event is registered as a profound cooling. As observed by Huang et al. (1992), lower temperatures favour development of a blocking high over eastern Siberia and north China, lending support for the idea that the Siberian cold high could be

strengthened by this event. Therefore, the binary intensification of the summer monsoon and winter monsoon inferred from the Younger Dryas study of the loess provides additional evidence for the sea level linked climate model in the loess plateau.

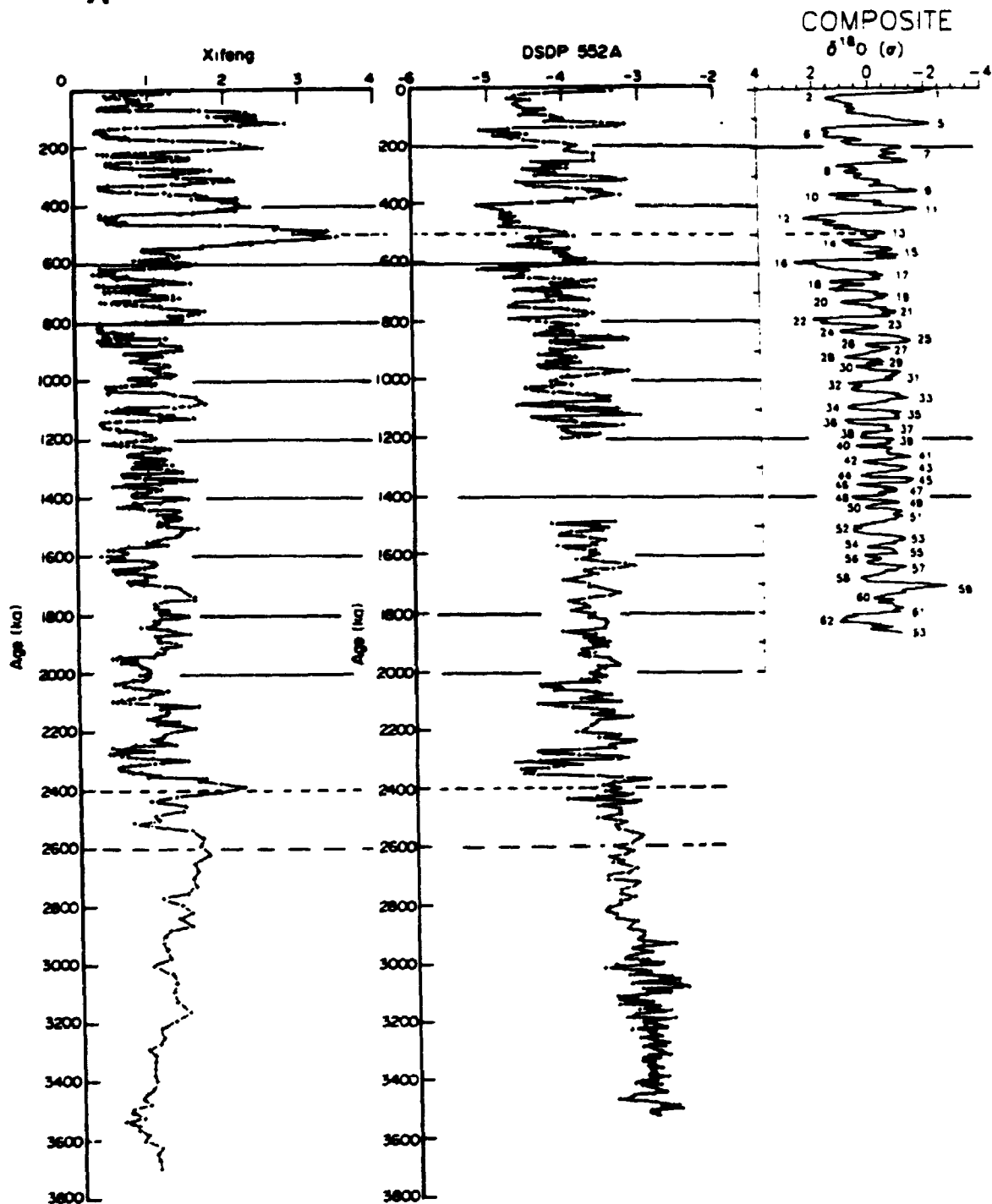
6.4. Correlations of Climatic Records Between the Loess Plateau and Deep Sea Cores

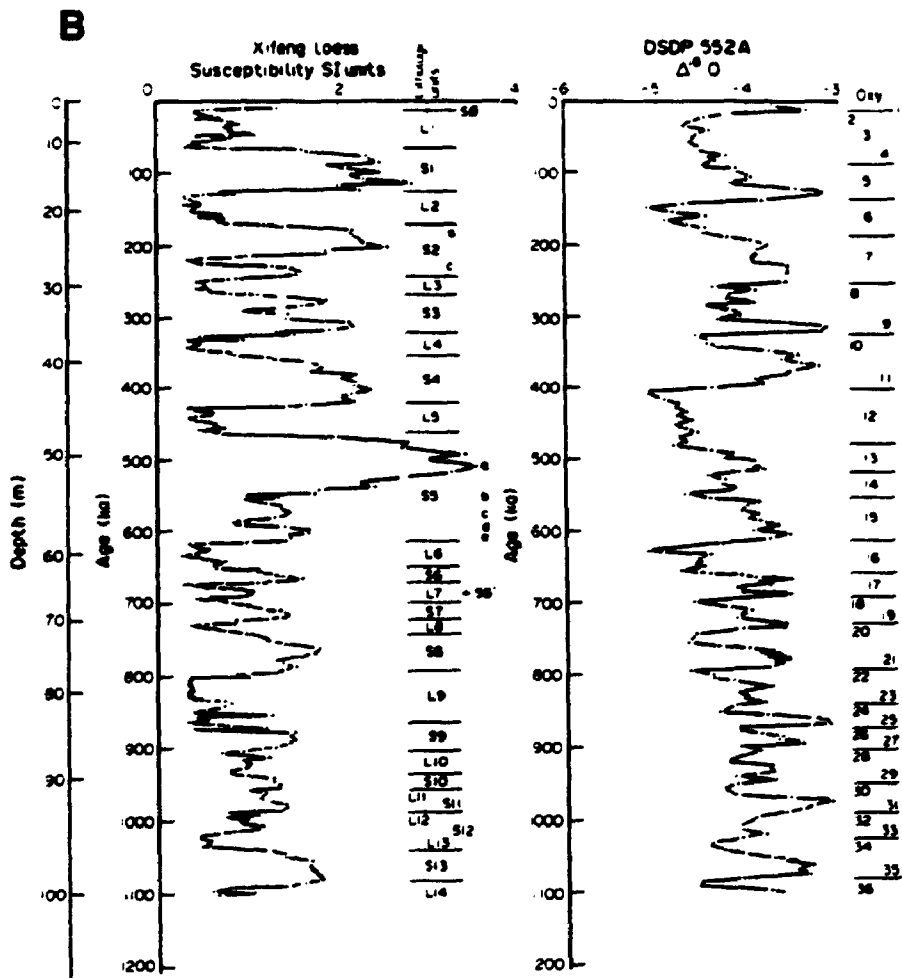
In the early 1980's, Liu and Yuan (1982) systematically correlated the climatic record in the loess-paleosol sequence of the Luochuan section with the marine oxygen isotope record. Great success was obtained by Heller and Liu (1984) using the magnetic susceptibility signature with more reliable paleomagnetic dating constraints. Subsequent correlations were made in more detail with different loess sections and different deep sea cores (e.g., X.M. Liu et al., 1987; Kukla, 1987; Kukla and An, 1989; Ding et al., 1991; Heller and Evans, 1995). Great similarity of these two types of climatic records suggests a strong response of the loess plateau to global climatic forcing, and has led to a wide acceptance of the loess magnetic susceptibility signature as a proxy terrestrial climate record in the paleoclimatological community (e.g., Morley and Dworetsky, 1991; Crowley and North, 1991). The following is an overview of the previous studies, with a correlation presented in Figure 6-4.

1. The Quaternary climate change recorded in the loess sequences is consistent with global glacial-interglacial oscillations implied by marine oxygen isotope signatures, suggesting a faithful and sensitive response of the east Asian monsoon regime in the loess plateau. As discussed in the previous section, this response is driven by west Pacific marginal shifts which are closely correlated with sea level change. Therefore, the loess-paleosol sequence has registered global climate change in amplitudes and timing at least

Figure 6-4. A, Comparison of the magnetic susceptibility in the Xifeng section (see Figure 2-6) and marine oxygen isotope record of DSDP 552A in central North Atlantic (modified from Kukla, 1987). The composite marine oxygen-isotope record is from Williams et al., 1988. Note the first abrupt decrease in magnetic susceptibility in the loess-paleosol sequence and oxygen-isotope index in marine sediments (the middle column) occurred between 2600 and 2400 ka. B, detailed comparison of the first 1.1 Ma of record (from Kukla, 1987).

A





at glacial cycle time scale.

2. Both records show that a dramatic change in climatic pattern occurred 2.5 Ma ago (see Figure 6-4), from a stationary warm state to a style with frequent fluctuations, as is demonstrated by analyses of the fluviolacustrine sequence and the red clay formation discussed in Chapter 5.

3. Another profound change occurred at 600 kyr ago in that the glacial-interglacial oscillations shifted to a new manner with greater amplitude and for a longer period than before. This is clearly demonstrated by thicker loess layers and intensified pedogenesis (e.g., deeper B horizons, thicker clay coatings etc.).

4. Discrepancy between the two kinds of records lies in the relative amplitude. As suggested by the magnetic susceptibility in the Xifeng section, the S5 seems to reflect an interglacial climax throughout the Quaternary, but the corresponding oxygen isotope stage indicates a relatively weak interglacial period. The present study of S5 demonstrates that the S5 in the Guanzhong basin was vegetated by grassland-dominated flora, suggesting the climate was even drier than in the Holocene, and this is supported by the sea level-interlocked climate model. As pointed out earlier, the magnetic susceptibility enhancement and pedogenic features are greatly affected by factors such precipitation, pedogenic duration and dust deposition rate etc. Therefore, a final confirmation can be expected only when reliable and accurate dating results are available.

5. The magnetic susceptibility of the red clay formation in the Xifeng section shows relatively constant values, similar to the moderately developed paleosols in the loess sequence. Field observations of this section indicate that only the Bt horizon in the red clay formation possesses intermittent clay coatings. Therefore, the magnetic

susceptibility signals do suggest that the climatic conditions of the red clay are drier than that of S5. As revealed by this study, a typical grassland existed through the red clay development until 2.7 Ma ago.

6.5. A Rapid Transition of Climate Regime Between 2.7 and 2.6 Ma

6.5.1. Considerations from Modern Climate

The modern east Asian monsoon climate in China indicates that major rainfalls are closely related to the activities of both the southeast monsoon and the cool polar front which is maintained by the Siberian high pressure cell. The favourable condition for precipitation is in the intersection belt of the polar front and the southeast monsoon front. After winter, a long-term rain belt appears in South China in late April and May, showing that the southeast monsoon is restrained by the cold high. In late July and August, although dominated by the southeast monsoon, South China is characterised by hot-humid weather but with less precipitation, because the cold front retreats far from the region. In North China, most of annual precipitation is concentrated in July and August, which is attributed to active intrusions of both air fronts. Therefore, two conclusions can be reached. Firstly, that the southeast monsoon is necessary for large scale precipitation in this climate regime and secondly, that the cold high pressure centre is critical for setting the modern east Asian monsoon climate. The Pliocene long-period climate characteristic of warmer and drier than at present implies that either the cold high pressure centre was rather weak, or that the oceanic airmass could not reach the region, or both.

6.5.2. An Overview on the Uplift of the Tibetan Plateau

Many studies emphasize the importance of the Tibetan Plateau uplift in the Cenozoic (particularly since late Pliocene) for explaining the Quaternary glacial initiation (e.g., Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988; Ruddiman and Kutzbach, 1991) and the occurrence of the modern east Asian monsoon (e.g., Liu and Han; Ding et al., 1992). However, it can be pointed out that no consideration of the timing can be seen in the previous studies other than a postulated elevation threshold.

The evidence for the Tibetan Plateau uplift in the late Cenozoic will be summarized, and the critical challenge of timing to the orogenic forcing hypothesis of the Quaternary first glaciation will be shown in this section.

Bio-geologic evidence indicates that in late Pliocene, the Himalayan region was dominated by subtropical and warm deciduous flora (Hsu et al., 1973, Hsu, 1978; Li et al., 1979; Li, 1983, 1985; Han, 1988a). Well-developed karst and red lateritic weathering (with major clay mineral being kaolinite) also suggest a sustained wet subtropical climate in the Pliocene (Cui and Zheng, 1975; Han, 1988b). By comparison of the distribution elevation between the *Quercus semicarpifolia* fossil and modern flora nearby, 3000 m uplift of the Tibetan Plateau was suggested for the period since the late Pliocene (Hsu et al., 1973; Li et al., 1979). Mammalian fossils (*Hipparion* fauna) indicate that the Himalayas and Tibet were not an effective barrier to north-south faunal exchange until the late Pliocene (Li et al., 1979; Ji et al., 1981), supporting the conclusion obtained from fossil plants and pollen evidence. Accelerated uplift of the Tibetan Plateau since late Pliocene is suggested by earlier studies based on the following evidence. The lacustrine deposits containing *Hipparion* fauna in the Gyrong Basin are covered by the Gongbe

Conglomerate which belongs to the Matuyama chron (Wang and Li, 1985), suggesting an abrupt uplift-acceleration. Comprehensive studies in the Kashmir Valley conclude that the climatic pattern of Kashmir follows a global trend: the warming during the Pliocene, and the glacial-interglacial fluctuations during the Pleistocene (Agrawal, 1985; Agrawal et al., 1989). Conclusions of the accelerated uplift and climate shift in the late Pliocene are supported by the Siwalik Group studies (cf. Chaudhri, 1982; Bhatia and Kapoor, 1982).

Overall, evidence from inside the Tibetan Plateau and adjacent regions indicates a profound climate change and accelerated uplift of the Tibetan Plateau in the late Pliocene. The most important feature for this work is the timing of this change. Recently, the issue regarding the elevation of the Tibetan Plateau in the past 3 million years is strongly debated by Harrison et al. (1992) and Coleman and Hodges (1995). They argue that much of the present elevation of the Plateau was attained at least 8 million years ago. Obviously, this negates the hypothesis of tectonic forcing for the Quaternary glaciation initiation. The controversy about the dating will not be discussed in this thesis, however it must be stressed that the tectonic forcing hypothesis is still questionable even if the evidence employed is confirmed.

6.5.3 Challenge to the Hypothesis of Plateau-Uplift Forcing for Global Plio-Pleistocene Climate Change

Evidence from the fluviolacustrine sequence and the red clay formation indicates that the warm-dry climate lasted until 2.7 Ma, and was characterized by dry sage-grasslands and a low dust deposition rate. Some 100 ka later, it was replaced by a cold-

dry climate with a remarkably enhanced dust deposition rate as indicated by the first loess deposition 2.6 million years ago. This marked a great and abrupt intensification of the Siberian cold high pressure center, and the establishment of modern east Asian monsoon.

Taking 1 mm/year of the maximum mean uplift of the Tibetan Plateau in the past 3 million years, a 100 m increase in elevation could be suggested for a period of 100 ka. The tectonic forcing hypothesis stresses that a threshold height greatly influences the planetary waves thus promoting ice sheet growth in North America. It seems unlikely that a 100 m increase in altitude of the plateau could lead to a striking change in planetary atmospheric circulation, stimulate a remote ice sheet initiation and cause rapid global glaciation within a period of some 100 ka.

6.5.4. Main Points on the Forcing Mechanism of the Quaternary Climate Regime Emergence

A large amount of evidence indicates that the loess deposition and climatic deterioration in North China occurred in timing with the occurrence of global glaciation as recorded by marine oxygen isotopes. This strongly suggests that the great intensification of the Siberian cold high pressure centre was produced by a glacial climate. This relationship is unanimously supported by atmospheric general circulation modelling experiments (e.g., Manabe and Broccoli, 1985; Kutzbach and Guetter, 1986; Kutzbach et al., 1993).

As reviewed, the Tibetan Plateau and its adjacent areas experienced climate change with the global trend and timing. Adopting the conclusion that the mean elevation of the Tibetan Plateau was about 1500 m at 2.5 Ma. E.P., the principal high Himalayas

would have been 4000–4500 m above sea level. As observed, the modern snowline on the southern slope of southeast Tibetan Plateau is at 4500 m (Zhang, 1981). Therefore, it is reasonable to expect that ice caps and mountain glaciers existed on the high Himalayan ranges during the glacial period of the early Pleistocene, which would have greatly enhanced its blocking effect on the Indian oceanic airflow to the plateau and northward. With uplift of the plateau and global cooling, the ice caps on the high Himalayas became permanent and irreversibly restrained the Indian monsoon across the mountain chains. Furthermore, a low pressure cell was formed in the Tibetan Plateau in summer due to its high elevation (thin air) and low thermo-capacity (dry), which induces the southeast Pacific monsoon to move deeper into inland China. By blocking the Indian monsoon and producing a summer low pressure cell, the Tibetan Plateau intensified the influence of the southeast monsoon and northwest monsoon on the inland China climate, which is consistent with modelling experiments (Manabe and Terpstra, 1974).

Questions, however, still remain. What caused the Quaternary worldwide glaciation? What controlled the timing of the glacial cycles? Possible solutions to these questions will be addressed in the following chapter.

CHAPTER 7
POSSIBLE INFLUENCE OF OCEAN RIDGE PROCESSES
ON SECULAR CLIMATE CHANGE

7.1. Introduction

As has been discussed, available theories of the Quaternary glacial climate have failed to explain many fundamental problems as listed below (for details refer to Chapter 1):

1. The occurrence of the Quaternary glaciation (cf. Imbrie et al., 1984; Berger, 1991);
2. Deglaciations out of phase with the maximum insolation anomalies in either the northern or the southern hemisphere (cf. Broecker and Denton, 1990; Crowley and Kim, 1994);
3. The periodicity shift at the B/M paleomagnetic polarity boundary, from fast to slow oscillations (say from dominant 41 ka cycle to 100 ka cycle (cf. Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988));
4. Glacial cycles did not follow the most powerful periodicity of the orbital forcing (cf. CLIMAP members, 1981; Imbrie et al., 1984);
5. The ocean circulation mode switch theory could not explain the similar severity of glaciation through tropics to polar regions and does not provide the mechanism of the mode flip-over (cf. Broecker and Denton, 1990, 1991);
6. The synchronicity of the enhancement of the atmospheric CO₂ and global

warming at the transition from glaciation termination to interglacial period (cf. Barnola et al., 1987; Jouzel et al., 1989; Ruddiman, 1987)).

This study also stresses a vital problem which has never been explained: the budget for rapid global warming. During the glacial maximum, North America (with latitudes higher than 40°) was totally covered with ice or snow, and most areas of high latitude in the both hemispheres were under similar conditions even for those with ice sheets. Snow albedo can be as high as 80-90% for fresh snow or over 50% for old snow (cf. Dickinson, 1992; Lydolph, 1985). This means about 70% loss of the solar radiation in those areas. It is known that the maximum change of the total insolation of the earth is about 0.2% (cf. Crowley and North, 1991) which is induced by eccentricity. Given that the ice sheet collapse model is correct (cf. Hughes, 1987), the ice cover on the earth was not reduced but enlarged, because high ice sheets were transported to lowlands or discharged into oceans, which would make a pronounced negative effect on the solar radiation absorption (the average continental albedo is 30% or less and ocean near zero, but sea ice albedo is near 50% on average). Taking the ice cover in both polar spheres from 40 or 50 degree in latitude during the last glacial maximum and 30% of increase in albedo on average, the albedo changes could have caused 4-7% loss in solar energy receipt on the earth. Therefore, the 0.2% increase in solar insolation, if it coincided with deglaciation, must have been completely destroyed by the effect of the expansion of ice and snow cover. However, an abrupt temperature increase at the time of the last glaciation termination has been observed from all records (polar ice cores, marine sediments, etc.).

Instead of the orbital forcing of the Quaternary glacial oscillation, other

mechanisms must be explored. Mid-ocean ridge processes induced by ice sheet waning and waxing might be important in the forcing of the Glacial-interglacial cycles. During the last glacial maximum, great ice sheets on the surface of the earth would have had a great influence on the world's stress fields and have caused large deformation at the most vulnerable region of the earth in terms of mechanical strength, the world mid-ocean system, and have induced massive magma release from the deep earth. Once this process occurs, it could generate a rapid deglaciation and global warming by the following processes: (1) the evacuation of the space for the isostatic depression of the ice sheet loaded areas and thus complete collapse of the ice sheets, (2) direct heat release into the ocean, (3) stimulation of deep ocean circulation, and (4) driving CO₂ from ocean into the atmosphere. However, this subject has received little recognition in the past.

The first question to be raised is, could such a force be transmitted to the mid-ocean ridges? This will be examined below. The earthquake data show very uniform stress directions within individual plates (Tarling, 1981; Zoback, 1992). New evidence from the KTB project indicates that the lithosphere is strong enough to transmit tectonic force from plate boundaries (Zoback et al., 1993). The observed rebound in the glaciated areas is obvious, for example, the Hudson Bay region has rebounded approximately 300 m in the last 8000 years (Peltier, 1987) and the Fennoscandia over 100 m (Stacey, 1977), clearly demonstrating the elastic properties of the lithosphere. Therefore, it should be feasible to examine the influence of the great ice sheet loading on the deformation of the ocean ridges by modelling the elastic response.

This chapter will present an elastic finite element spheric model, and then discuss the ocean ridge processes and the climate significance combined with the modelling

results.

7.2. Earth Model Construction and Assumptions

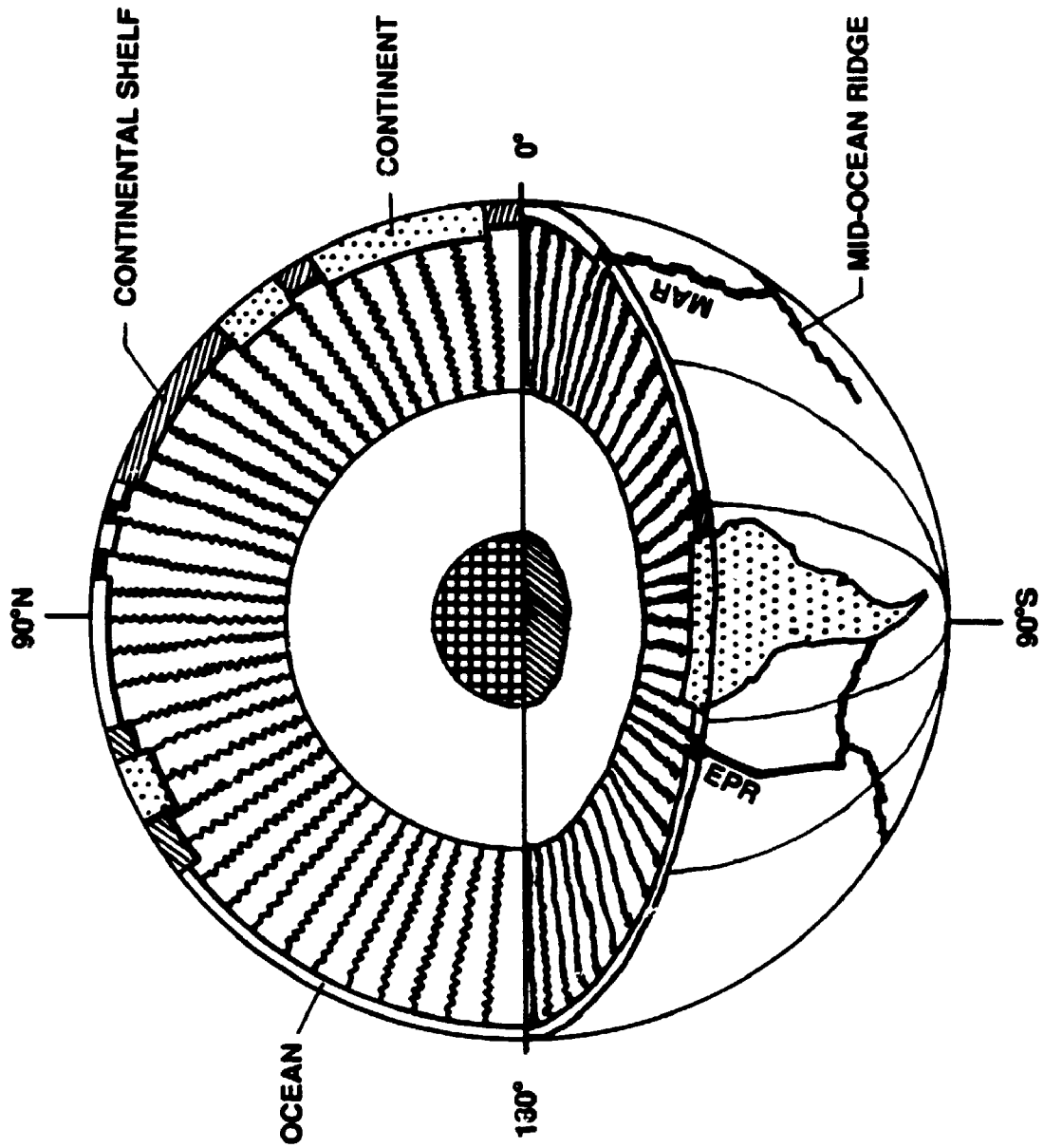
To simulate the global deformation distribution of the crust caused by ice sheet loads, parameterization of the mechanical properties and structure of the solid earth must be assessed. Geophysical and seismological studies indicate that the solid earth is composed of multiple spheric layers with distinct mechanical properties. There are two major mechanical layers outside the core, the outermost lithosphere and the underlying asthenosphere. The mechanical properties of these two layers essentially control crustal deformation from surface loading. Many studies have shown that the lithosphere can be regarded as elastic material (e.g., Richardson et al., 1979; Erickson, 1993; Coblenz and Sardiford, 1994). Crustal isostasy depends on the viscous asthenosphere as suggested by earlier studies (Barell, 1919a,b; Haskell, 1935, 1936; McConnell, 1965; Peltier, 1982) and later seismological investigations.

In this computation, the solid earth is simplified as an elastic lithosphere over a viscous fluid, the asthenosphere. The structure in this model assumes that under steady-state conditions, the lithosphere is a closed spheric shell constituted by various types of plates with different thicknesses, and the asthenosphere is treated as a non-compressible fluid. Under such conditions, the gravitational isostasy with any load will not occur until the elastic lithospheric shell achieves its failure point. Before crustal failure, the crustal depression under ice sheet loading is elastic. In this case, all elastic deformation of the crust depends on the weight of the ice sheets and the strength of the elastic spheric shell. If the stress produced by ice sheet loads exceeds the elastic deformation range, the closed

continuum lithospheric-shell will break up and deep magma may tend to erupt. The contribution of the viscous asthenosphere to surface loading-forced deformation is principally expressed by its drag force on the lithosphere. This function is represented by the springs attached to the lithosphere from the outer core of the earth as illustrated in Figure 7-1. Before lithospheric failure, the viscosity of the asthenosphere protects the elastic shell against deformation. Once the stress exceeds a critical value for lithospheric failure, magma is forced to erupt (or to be exposed at a depth lower than seafloor if the magma reservoir does not have enough pressure) from the asthenosphere onto the solid-earth's surface, which may cause collapse of the ice sheets. After the ice sheets are discharged, the viscosity of the asthenosphere helps the depressed crust to rebound. Therefore, by this mechanism, two major events might occur in the solid earth under ice sheet loads: (1) magma eruption (or exposure) and, (2) partial rebound of the crust because of the incomplete failure deformation protected by the drag force. This is supported by the fact that the 300 m of post-glacial rebound observed in the Hudson Bay area (Peltier, 1985; Begin et al., 1993) is much less than the expected value of 700 to 800 m (Flint, 1971).

Another important property of these viscous fluids is the duration of these processes. As observed, the isostatic process produced by the last deglaciation is still going on (cf. Peltier, 1982, 1988). In this study, interest is toward investigation of the deformations of the world mid-ocean ridges at the time of the last glacial maximum when the ice sheets achieved maximum loading on the earth's crust. Therefore, no time effect is involved in the model.

Figure 7-1. A spheric shell model of the planet Earth. The Earth's lithosphere is simplified into four typical plates with different thicknesses, continents, continental shelves, oceans and mid-ocean ridges. The centre of mass of the Earth is presumed to be fixed in its spatial position and thus is the Earth's core. Springs are attached on the lithosphere and the Earth's outer core along radius directions to simulate the viscous behaviour of the asthenosphere. (EPR = East Pacific Rise, and MAR = Mid-Atlantic Ridge)



7.3. Methods

The computer program SSIAP written by W.M. Liu (1990) is used to establish the finite element model and calculate elastic deformation. Computation was conducted by the Cyber system of the computing centre at the University of Western Ontario. Parameters used in the calculation are listed in Table 7-1. Coordinates of the discretized elements and nodes for the spheric shell earth are listed in Appendices II and III.

The entire earth's lithosphere is treated as a spherical shell with different elastic thickness corresponding to continents (105 km), continental shelves (75 km), oceans (70 km), and mid-ocean ridges (20 km). The plate boundaries and continental shelf configurations are based on the map of *Earth's Dynamic Crust* (Garrett, 1985) and the *World Continental Shelves* (Heezen and Tharp, 1970). The width of ocean ridges is assumed as 0.1 degree of latitude/longitude (equivalent to ~11 km at the equator and 5.5 km at 60° latitude) in order to facilitate the element discretization. The finite-element grid is generally about 5° both in latitude and longitude except for mid-ocean ridges and plate boundaries. The total discretized system of the earth's lithosphere is represented by an elastic spherical shell which consists of 2122 nodes and 2355 elements (see Figures 7-2, 7-3, 7-4, and 7-5).

The thin shell elements which was originally developed by Clough and Felippa (1968) is used to discretize the earth's lithosphere. It is a quadrilateral element composed from four LCCT-9 (Linear Curvature Compatible Triangle with 9 bending degrees of freedom) thin plate elements. A triangular element can also be specified by defining only the first three nodes. Within each triangle, linear curvature can be represented by the interpolation functions. The membrane part of the element is a constant strain triangle.

Table 7-1. Parameters used in the models

Symbols	Parameters' description	Values
R_e	the Earth's radius	6371 km
R_{core}	the Earth's core radius	3471 km
Thickness of the lithosphere		
h_{cont}	thickness of continents	105 km
h_{shlf}	thickness of continental shelves	75 km
h_{ocean}	thickness of ocean lithosphere	70 km
h_{ridg}	thickness of mid-ocean ridges	20 km
E	Young's modulus	10^{12} dyn/cm ²
ρ_{ice}	density of the ice sheets	0.9 g/cm ³
ρ_{asth}	mean density of the asthenosphere	3.5 g/cm ³
V_{ice}	volume of the ice sheets at LGM	58×10^6 km ³
Δh_{sea}	sea level lowering at LGM	146 m
C_{rock}	specific heat of rocks	0.3 cal./g.°C
C_{water}	specific heat of water	1.0 cal./g.°C
T_{water}	temperature of deep ocean water	2 °C
T_{magma}	temperature of magma beneath ocean ridges	1200 °C
g	the Earth's gravitational acceleration	9.81 m/s ²

Figure 7-2. A finite-element mesh of the northern hemisphere of the Earth as viewed from the North Pole. The heavy lines are the combination of successive elements of mid-ocean ridges.

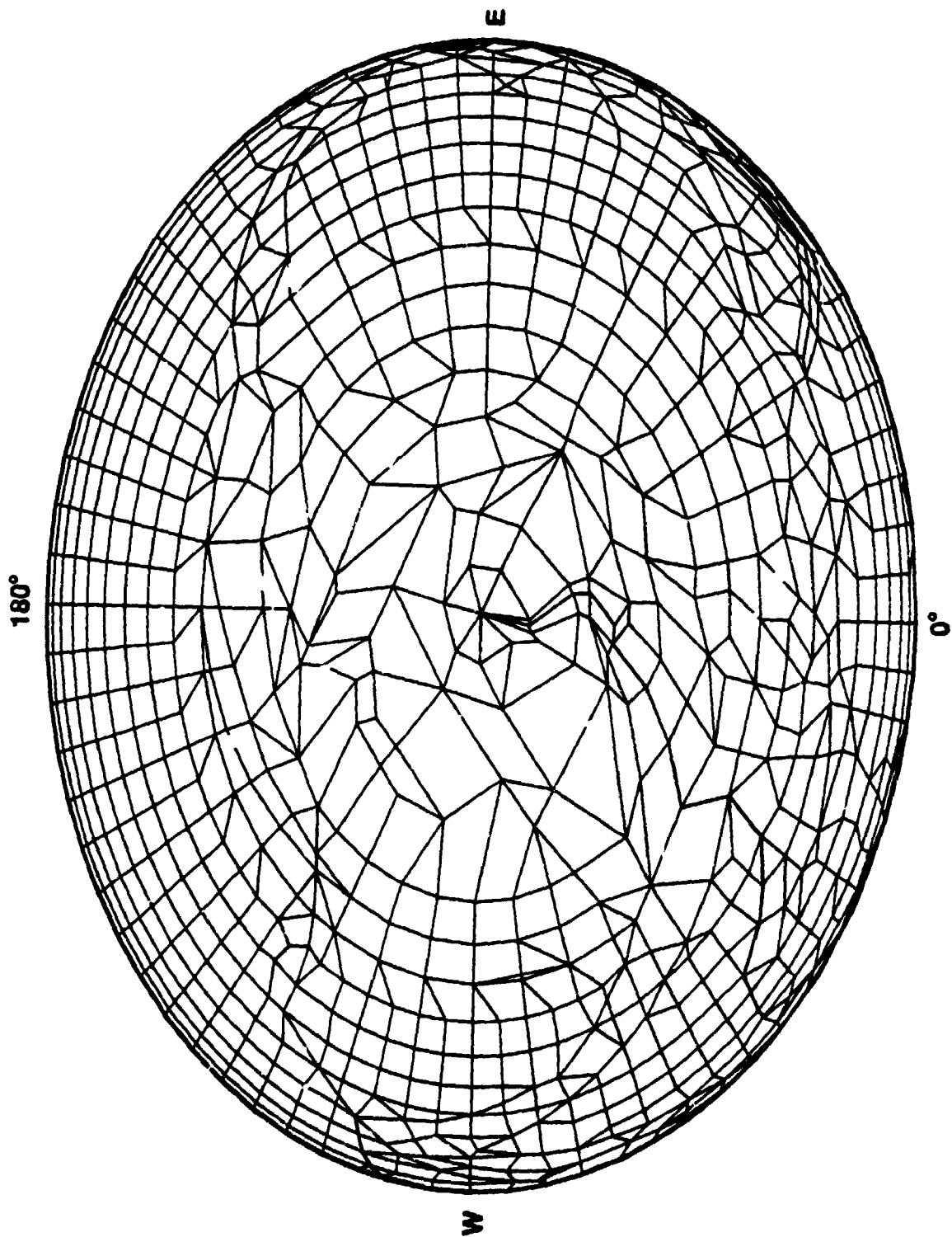
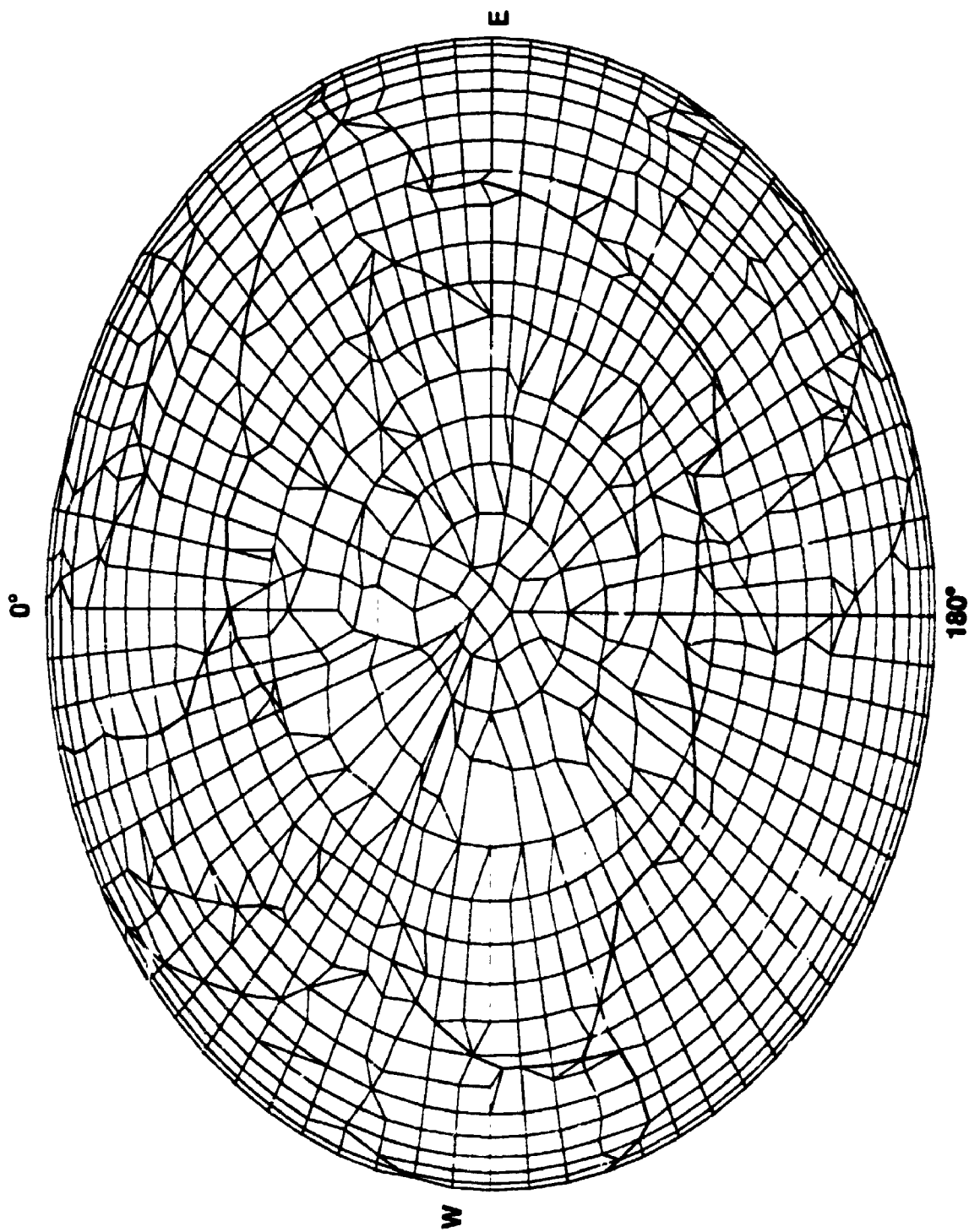


Figure 7-3. A finite-element mesh of the southern hemisphere of the Earth as viewed from the South Pole. The heavy lines are combinations of successive elements of mid-ocean ridges.



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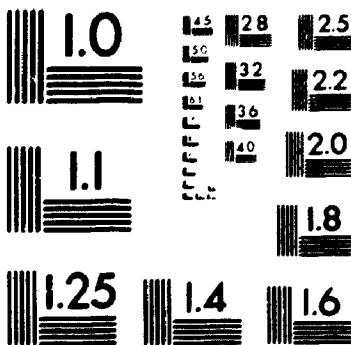
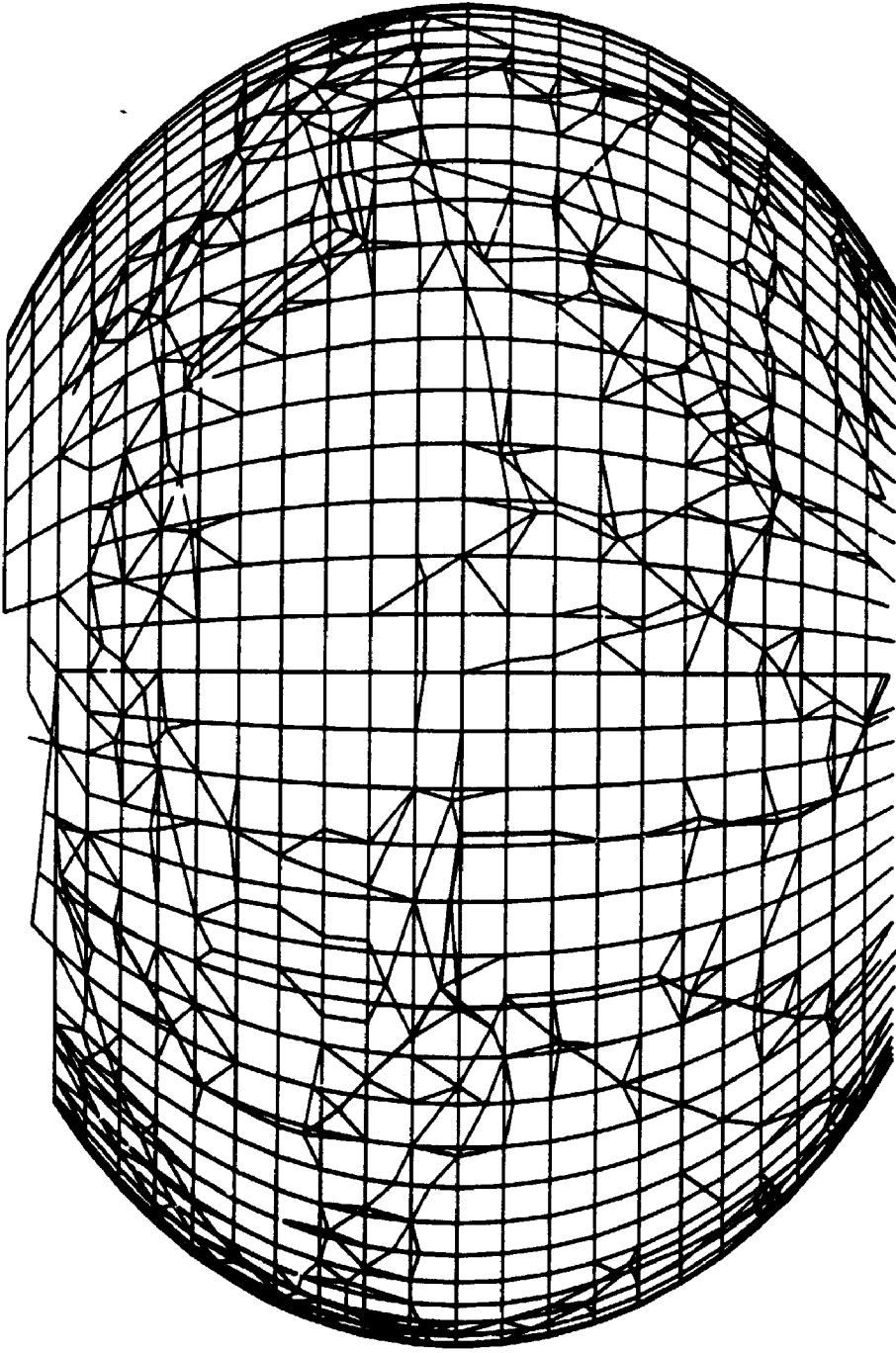
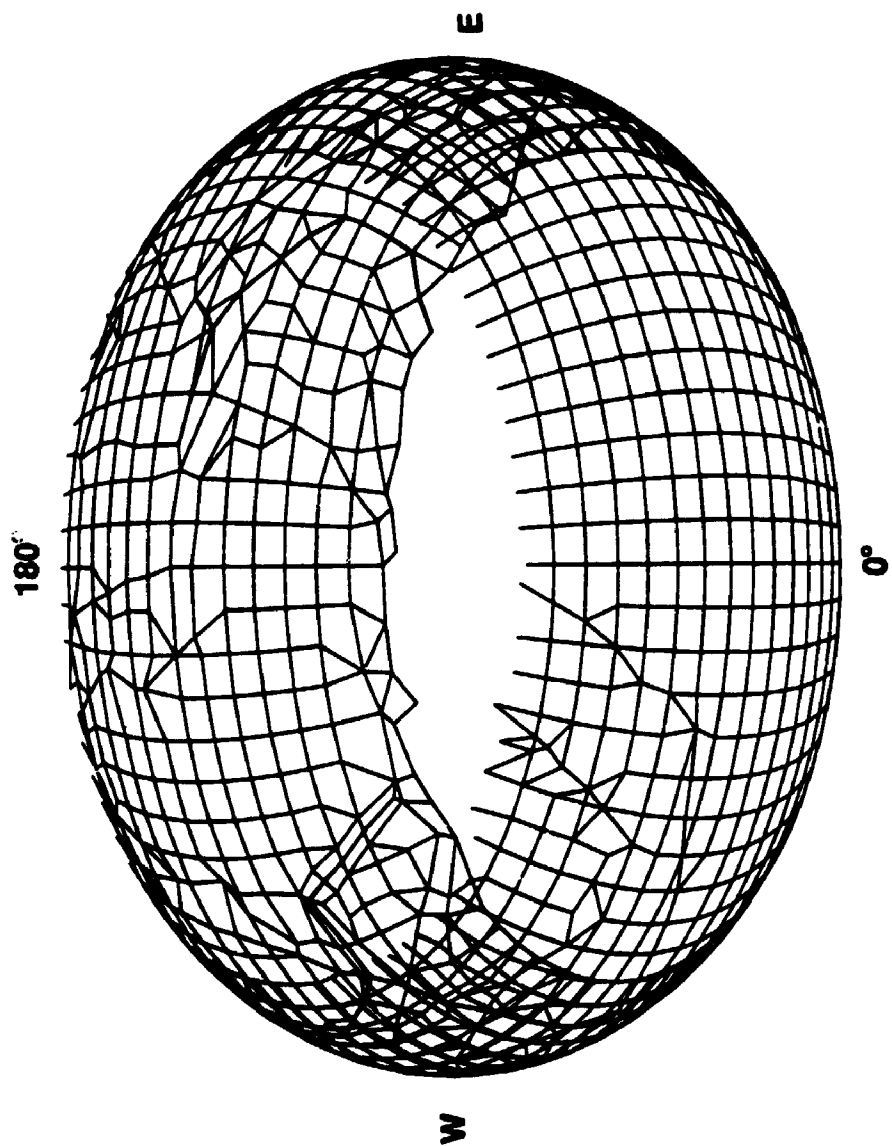


Figure 7-4. The finite-element mesh sector from 50°N to 50°S as viewed from 0° longitude, 0° latitude. The heavy lines are combinations of successive elements of mid-ocean ridges.



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Figure 7-5. The finite-element mesh sector from 35°N to 30°S as viewed from 0° longitude, 45°N. The heavy lines are combinations of successive elements of mid-ocean ridges.



This element is a displace-based fully compatible element. Therefore, convergence is guaranteed when refining the mesh.

For modeling the displacements of the discretized lithosphere forced by the ice sheet loads in our elastic spherical model, a steady state is assumed, which means a condition of static equilibrium without ice sheet load. Therefore, the sum of all the forces (including gravity of the lithosphere, convection drag of the asthenosphere, Coriolis force etc.) acting on the lithosphere is zero. The distribution and size of the northern Hemisphere's ice sheets, as reconstructed by Denton and Hughes (1981, Fig.6-15) for the last glacial maximum has been applied to the model, and the effect of mountain glaciers and the Antarctic ice sheet has been neglected. Normal pressure loads representing the ice sheets are applied to each node of an element by averaging the total weight of ice on the element and distributing the weight equally to all the nodes of the element according to the equation

$$P_{\text{node}} = (1/n) \times \rho_{\text{ice}} \hat{H} \Delta S_i$$

where ρ_{ice} is the specific weight of the ice, \hat{H} the mean thickness of the ice on the element, ΔS_i the area of element i in m^2 and n the number of nodes in the element. Here the ρ_{ice} adopted is 0.9 g/cm^3 (cf. Schilling and Hollin, 1981).

The Young's modulus E of the lithosphere is assumed to be $10^{12} \text{ dyne/cm}^2$, which is very close to the calculated value using the seismological data given by Anderson (1989) and others (eg., Erickson, 1993). We also assume that the mass geometric centre of the earth (the earth's core) is fixed in spatial position. Therefore, normal pressures

along the earth's radius all act on the earth's central point. To simulate the reaction force of the viscous asthenosphere, springs are attached to all the finite element nodes. The stiffness coefficients of these springs are in the range of 10-20% of the membrane stiffness of the earth's lithosphere. It may need to be pointed out that, the length of springs is a changeable parameter in the model runs. The outcore of the earth in the model is substantially a definition of the mechanical spheric shell (layer) which is assumed to be not deformed by the ice sheet loading. In addition, the effect of the length of the springs on mechanical response can be compensated by the change of the stiffness coefficient. Therefore, in the model, the radius value and meaning of the earth's outcore are somewhat different from the conventional meanings, and the top of the outcore in the model refers to a stable solid boundary of the asthenosphere.

7.4. Modeling Results

In order to simulate the displacement of the world mid-ocean ridge system with finite-element elastic spherical shell models, a number of cases were tested for comparison. In the cases with the condition that the elastic thicknesses of continental, continental shelf, oceanic and mid-ocean ridge lithospheres are 35, 20, 10, and 5 km respectively (their actual crustal thicknesses), the output values seem too large (the maximum absolute displacement at mid-ocean ridges is 340 m) even though the stiffness coefficient of the underneath springs was as high as 40%. When the thicknesses of the lithosphere are changed to values similar to those widely adopted (105 km for continents, 75 km for continental shelves, 70 km for ocean, and 20 km for mid-ocean ridges; cf. Richardson et al., 1979) and the stiffness coefficients of the springs are put in the 10-20%

range of the membrane stiffness of the lithosphere, the computed results of displacement are less than the expected value of isostatic rebound for the Hudson Bay region (the computed depression is close to 600 m; the expected complete rebound is 700-800 m, cf. Flint, 1971). From a conservative perspective, discussions in the following section are directed to the results obtained from the latter case with a high stiffness coefficient (20%) as presented in Figures 7-6, 7-7 and 7-8. The related data are given in Appendix I.

7.5. Displacement at Global Mid-Ocean Ridge Systems Induced by the Ice Sheet Loads

Results demonstrate that the most significant deformation effect of the ice-sheets load appears in the Northern Hemisphere (see Figures 7-6,7, and 8, Appendix I). Most regions of the mid-ocean ridges are forced to spread, especially at the high latitudes of the north Atlantic Ocean. The spreading magnitudes (displacements) decrease from the latitude of the central Laurentide ice sheet southwards, and are much less in the Southern Hemisphere than in the Northern Hemisphere. Furthermore, changes in the orientation of the displacement show a complicated pattern at some sections of ocean ridges. For a detailed investigation into the deformation effect of the ice sheet loads on the ocean ridge system, the ridge system has been divided into sectors and discussed separately.

In the north Atlantic region, the mid-ocean ridges are subjected to the largest deformation in the global ocean ridge system. The maximum absolute value of the relative displacement of node pairs occurs at the point around 9°W, 72°N, the end point of the transform fault east to the southeastern corner of Greenland and north to Iceland (see Figure 7-6). This displacement reaches approximately 100 m. In general, the displacement at ridges is tensile (toward spreading) with directions roughly perpendicular

Figure 7-6. Displacement of the world's mid-ocean ridges calculated by Model 3-1, northern hemisphere sector. Detailed data are shown in Appendix I. See text for explanation.

Figure 7-7. Displacement of the world's mid-ocean ridges calculated by Model 3-1, southern Indian-Pacific Ocean sector. All the relative displacements are in the range of 10-1 cm.

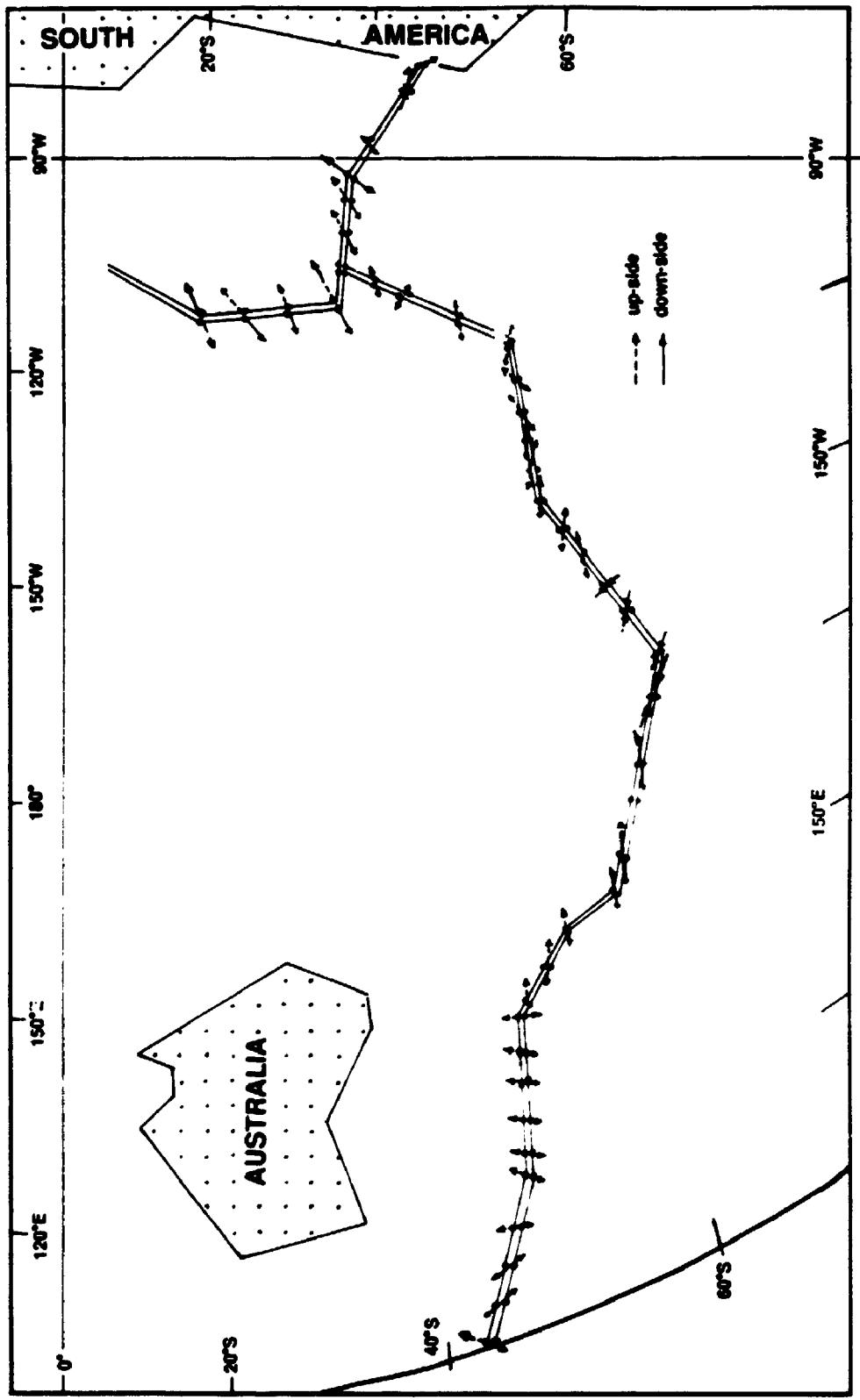
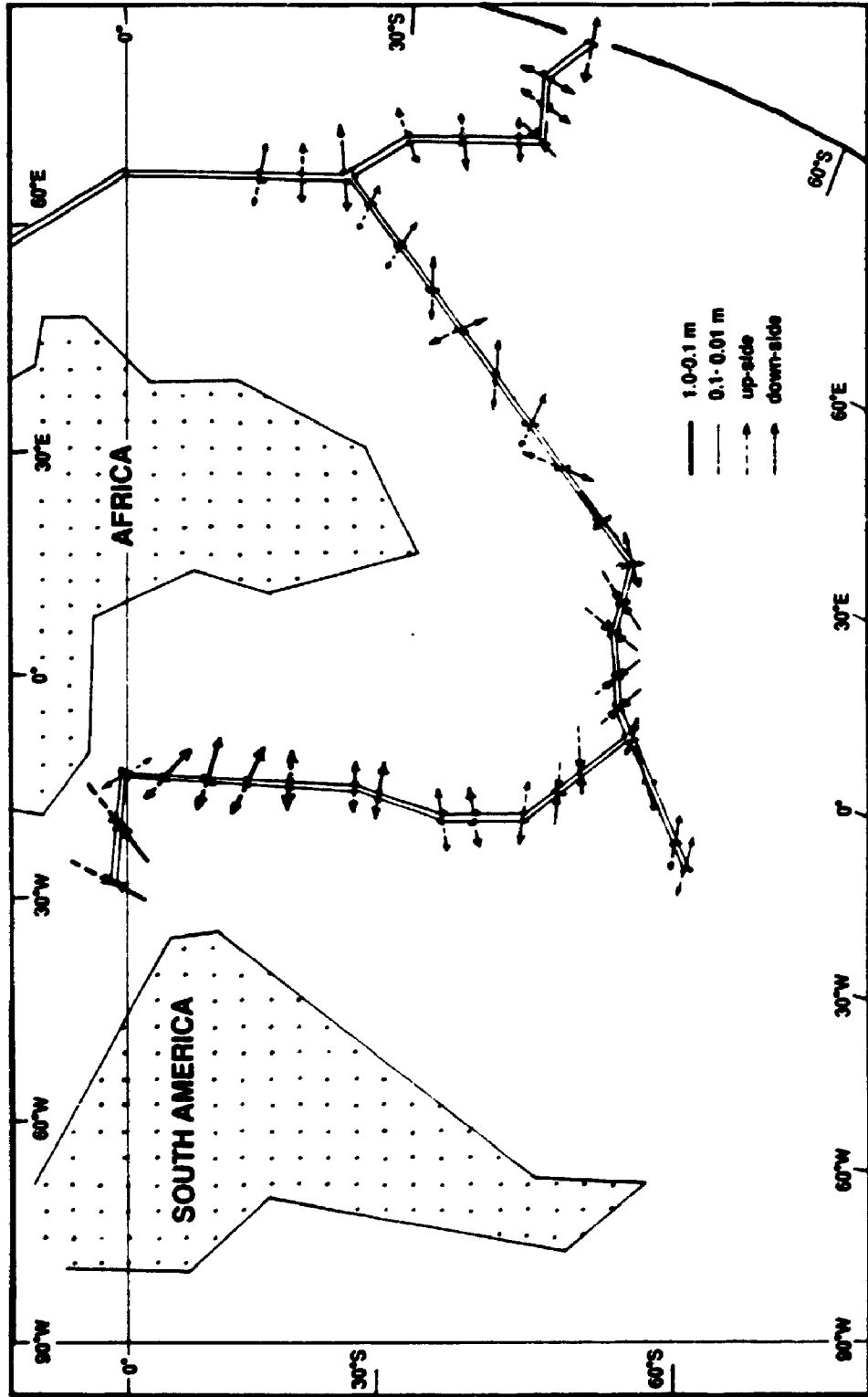


Figure 7-8. Displacement of the world's mid-ocean ridges calculated by Model 3-1, Mid Atlantic-southern Indian ocean sector.



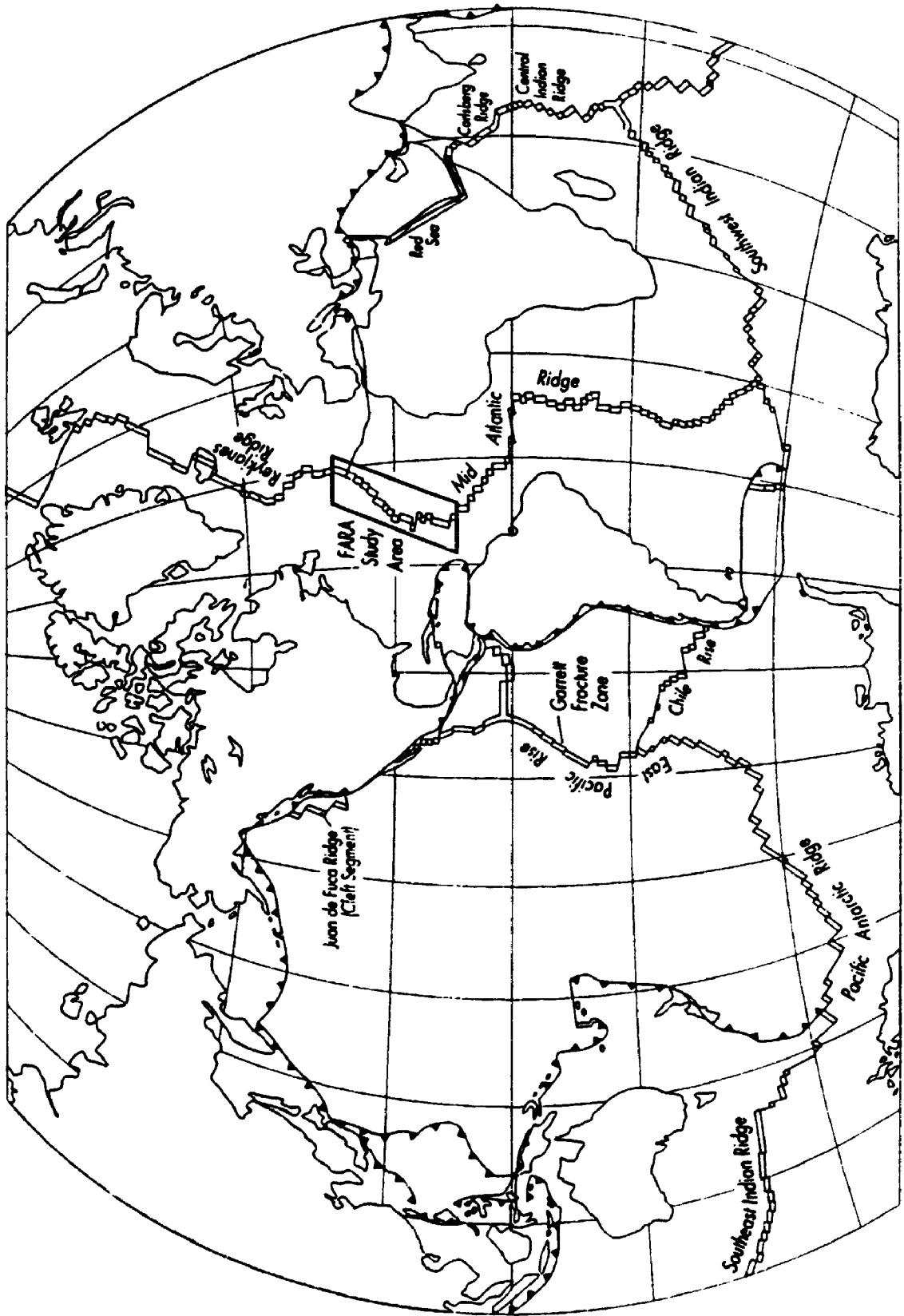
to the ridge axes. The spreading amplitudes smoothly decrease from near 70°N down to the tropical region. For some ridge sections, however, the displacement orientation appears unstable. At the transform fault sections (see Figure 7-9), the displacements are orientated nearly parallel to the fault. This is common for all transform faults in the Northern Hemisphere Atlantic Ocean (compare Figure 7-6 with Figure 7-9). But in our model the whole ridge system, including transform faults, are treated as of the same width and same thickness, and without any discrimination. This implies that the ice sheet loads in the Northern Hemisphere did not favour these faults to develop into a normal ocean ridge, but exerted a compressive force against their widening.

In the Juan de Fuca Ridge, the forced displacements appear mainly to spread away from the ridge axes, except for the middle section in our model (See Figure 7-6). The magnitude of the displacement on average is about 10 m for the north segment, and 7 m for the south part.

The East Pacific Rise shows a very complicated pattern of deformation. The longitudinal section (north of 20°S) is compressed, but the latitudinal sections are forced to spread and the directions vary from one part to another (Fig.7.6).

Ocean ridges located in the Red Sea and in the central Indian Ocean show a minor deformation response to the ice sheet loading. The maximum horizontal translation is less than 1 m. The southeast Indian Ocean Ridge and the Pacific Antarctic Ridge received minimum influence of deformation. The magnitude of the displacements in these regions are all less than 10 cm. But their orientations might have certain implications and will be discussed further below.

Figure 7-9. The global mid-ocean ridge system (from RIDGE, 1994).



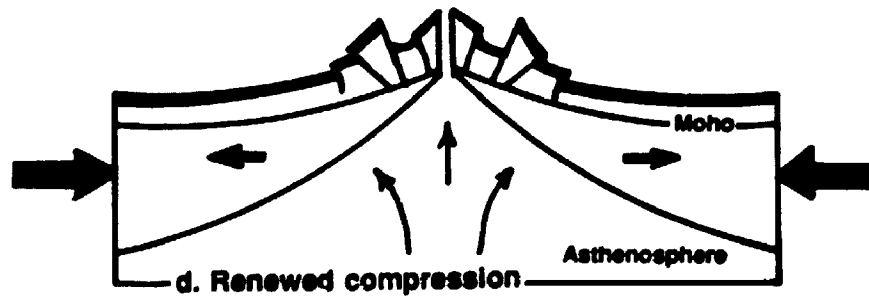
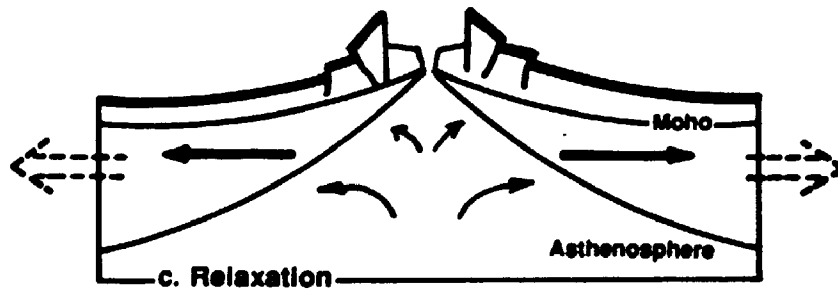
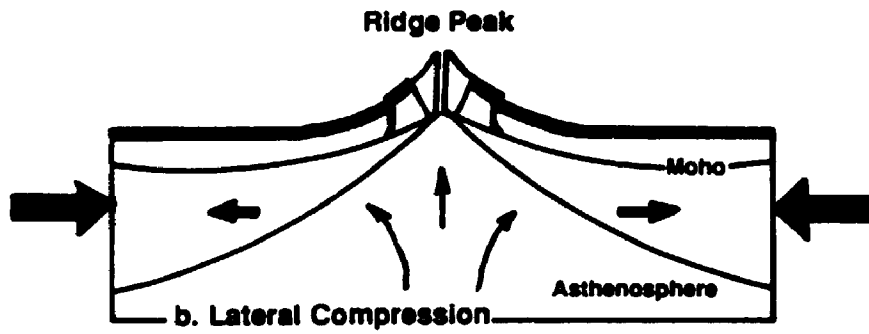
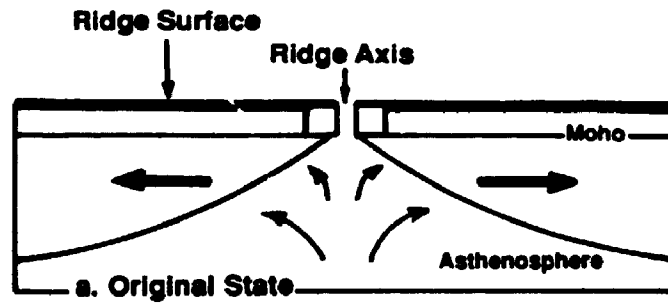
7.6. Topography of the World Mid-Ocean Ridges and the Ice Sheets Load Waning and Waxing

It is interesting to note that the modeling results (the calculated deformations) are coincident with the ridge styles. At the north Atlantic ridges, the ice sheet loads give the transform fault zones a compressive deformation which prohibits faults to spread in a perpendicular direction. Furthermore, in well-developed transform fault zones such as the section of Mid-Atlantic Ridge near the equator, the sections in the Pacific Antarctic Ridge and Southwest Indian Ridge, the deformation orientations are strongly altered (see Figures 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9). Similar features are also found at the Juan de Fuca Ridge and the East Pacific Rise. But as pointed out before in the model input, all the world's mid-ocean ridges are presented as continuous structures with uniform width and thickness. The coincidence of the ridge fashions with the ice sheet load forcing gives rise to an interesting question. Are the modern patterns of the world's mid-ocean ridge system markedly modified by repeated alternations of massive water loading on continents and ocean basins during the past ice ages?

In the modeling experiments, the East Pacific Rise suffered a compression with ice sheet loading in the northern hemisphere. This favours formation of positive topography of this ridge. Furthermore, because of the viscosity of the asthenosphere, the duration of isostatic rebound and relaxation are very much prolonged. As with the rebound resulting from the last ice sheet collapse, the relaxation will very likely still be acting at present, which should make a positive contribution to the faster spreading rate at the East Pacific Rise (see Figure 7-10).

In contrast, the negative topography of the north Atlantic ridges is consistent with

Figure 7-10. A conceptual model showing the influence of ice sheet loads in the northern hemisphere's continents on mid-ocean process of the East Pacific Rise. a. A presumed original state in the Earth's surface conditions without the ice sheet. Spreading at a normal speed equilibrating with magma production and all forces in the ridge system. b. As the ice sheets load, a lateral compressive force acts on the ridge axis, which forces the ridge edges to uplift and decreases the spreading rate. High ridge peaks build up during this stage. c. A phase showing the ice sheets discharged into oceans. The lateral compression ceases, and the prolonged relaxation due to the viscous asthenosphere response enhances the spreading rate, as observed today. Because the pressure in the magma source decreases with time, the altitude of the central ridge is lowered until lateral compressions are re-established. d. A renewed compression phase features a new episode of high ridge-peaks build up.



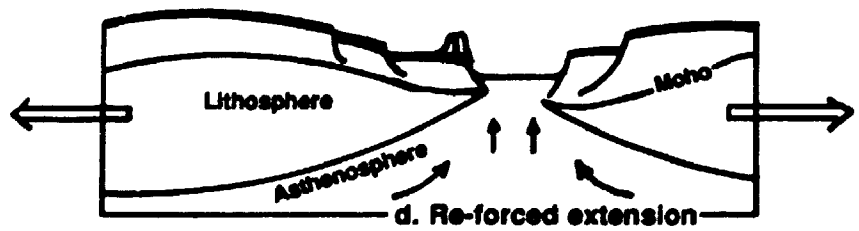
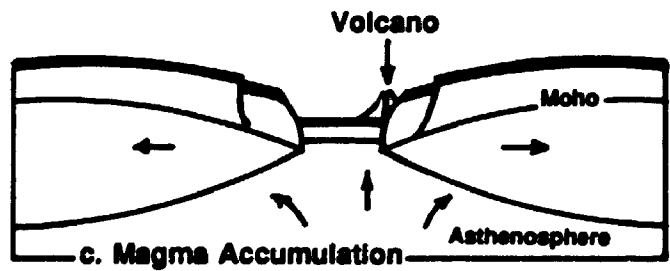
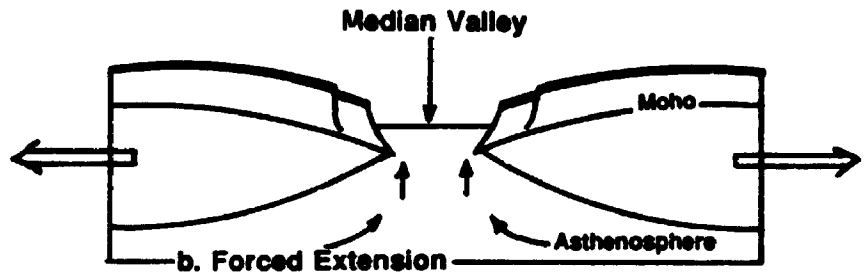
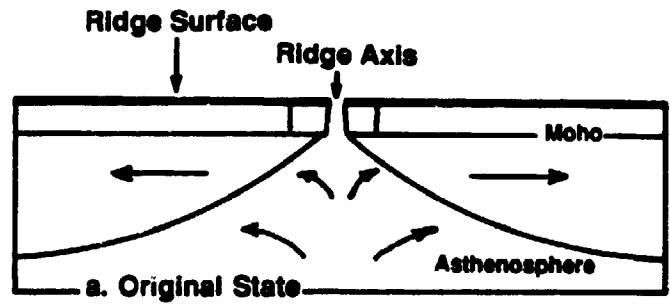
the modeling results. Assuming the magma production rate to be nearly constant for periods of millions of years, the passive magma output forced by ice sheet stress largely exceeds its normal output rate (spreading rate) and thus exhausts the reservoir. Therefore, the magma output of the north Atlantic ridges in this scenario would not have enough pressure for upwelling onto the sea floor but to a depth lower than the sea floor, and form a new valley floor. Today, the observed topography at the north Atlantic ridges is characterized by a central deep valley and stepwise walls (cf. Mutter and Karson, 1992; Smith and Cann, 1993; Cannat, 1993; Tuchocky and Liu, 1994) This would most likely relate to the effect of multiple ice sheet loadings and discharges related to the glacial-interglacial fluctuations. Also, the slow spreading rate observed today at this ridge would have resulted from magma exhaustion due to the forced stretching, indicating that the magma reservoir underneath the north Atlantic ridge is still at the accumulation (recovery) stage. These relations are illustrated in Figure 7-11.

7.7. Magma Output at Mid-Ocean Ridges

7.7.1. Quasi-Instantaneous Output Related to Elastic Failure

With great ice sheet loading, the ocean ridges attain various values of elastic deformation at individual node pairs. As has been discussed, this deformation occurs at the same time as the failure point. is achieved. Therefore, failure displacement will occur immediately. Because the calculated magnitudes are the resultants of all forces including the drag force, there is no extra force to protect against the deformation. In other words, all forces agree to such a magnitude of the deformation at a node pair, which implies that the calculated displacement will be attained nearly instantaneously.

Figure 7-11. A conceptual model showing the influence of the ice sheet loading on the Northern Hemisphere continents upon North Atlantic Ocean ridges. a, A presumed original state as in Figure 7-10a. b, The forced extension by ice sheet loading. As the required extension largely exceeds its automatic spreading, the output magma is at a certain depth equilibrating with its upwelling pressure. Thus a central valley of the ridge axis is created. c, After the stretching force disappears, large scale crustal accretion at the central rift ceases. In this stage, magma is produced in small chambers and intermittently erupts on the valley floor mainly along the marginal faults. d, A new episode of forced extension driven by the next ice sheet loading. A new central valley floor is formed and the previous one becomes a terrace wall at the side of a new valley.



Using the displacement results listed in Appendix I, a minimum instantaneous magma output at mid-ocean ridges forced by the ice sheet load can be estimated. As the major displacements are located in the northern hemisphere, estimation is focused on the ridges in this range.

In the first step, the ridges are divided into sections according to displacement features and geographic distribution patterns. Following this, the length of each section is calculated. The quasi-instantaneous magma output is estimated as a minimum value of the ridge-crustal accretion volume forced by the failure extension.

In the Atlantic Ocean, the principal trend of the ridge axes above 17°N is longitudinal except for the transform faults. Therefore, we use the "v" component, the partial values in the y coordinate of the displacement vector (relative latitudinal displacement, see Appendix I for explanation) to approach the spreading value in the normal direction neglecting longitudinal and vertical translations. For the ridge section between 2 and 17°N, horizontal displacement is calculated and then converted to the normal direction of the ridge axis because the true spreading values cannot be simplified by substitution of any partial component of the three coordinates. The mean value for each ridge section is obtained by averaging the normal direction spreading values of all node pairs in that section. As an estimate, a uniform thickness of 5 km has been assumed for the new accreting crust. With the same treatment, the magma output at Juan de Fuca Ridge has been estimated. The output of magma in transform fault sections has not been taken into account. The total budget of the quasi-instantaneous magma output induced by the ice sheets loading is listed in Table 7.2.

Table 7-2. Quasi-instantaneous minimum magma output at mid-ocean ridges of the Northern Hemisphere induced by ice sheet loading (resulting from the elastic failure only) estimated from Model 3-1.

Ridge A A(long/lat)	Sections to B B(long/lat)	Latitude interval $\Delta\theta(\text{degree})$	Longitude interval $\Delta\phi(\text{degree})$	Length AB* (km)	Spreading magnitude mean (m)	Magma output (km^3)
Atlantic Ocean						
-10/83	10/77.6	5.6	20	783.990	(4.0)	(15.68)
10/77.6	9/75.4	2.2	1	246.107	20.5	25.23
9/75.4	-3/72	3.4	12	559.156	43.95	122.88
-3/72	-9/72	0	6	206.074	(36)	(37.09)
-9/72	-35/55	17	26	2531.347	33.1	415.96
-35/55	-28/49	6	7	839.604	22.69	95.25
-28/49	-30/41	8	2	904.819	16.57	74.96
-30/41	-45/29	13	15	2052.708	7.065	72.51
-45/29	-46/17	12	1	1337.908	2.701	18.07
-46/17	-28/2	15	18	2603.325	0.6	7.81
Subtotal				9438.713		832.67 (885.44)
Pacific Ocean						
-129/54.5	-130/45.5	9	1	1004.580	10.52	53.95
-126/44	-127/40.5	3.5	1	400.881	7.40	14.83
Subtotal				1405.461		68.78
Total						901.45 (954.22)

*Note:

$$AB = \frac{2\pi R}{360} \sqrt{\Delta\theta^2 + \Delta\phi^2 \left(\frac{\cos\theta_A + \cos\theta_B}{2} \right)^2}$$

7.7.2. Perturbation of the Episodic Magma Output Related to Asthenosphere Deformation Flow

It is easily understood that the failure extension must stimulate massive magmatic eruptions at places where melt reservoirs have achieved certain pressures. A tentative and coarse estimate is presented here by using the available isostatic data. The total episodic magma output induced by the ice sheet loading is estimated below.

The total mass of the ice sheets is 4.2×10^{22} grams, using the equation

$$M_{\text{ice sheets}} = \Delta L A \rho_{\text{water}}$$

Where the $M_{\text{ice sheets}}$ is the total mass of the world's ice sheets during the last glacial maximum. Taking the eustatic sea level lowering ΔL as 117 m (Denton and Hughes, 1981), the ocean area A as $361 \times 10^6 \text{ km}^2$ (Judson et al., 1987), and the specific weight of water as 1.0 g/cm^3 .

The complete depression in the Hudson Bay region is calculated by:

$$H_{\text{depression}} = H_{\text{ice sheet}} \times \rho_{\text{ice}} / \rho_{\text{upper mantle}}$$

where $H_{\text{ice sheet}}$ (the ice sheet height) is about 4000 m on average (cf. Denton and Hughes, 1981), the specific weight of the ice sheet ρ_{ice} is 0.9 and the specific weight of the upper mantle, $\rho_{\text{upper mantle}}$ is 3.5 g/cm^3 . The complete depression for this region should be 1028 m.

The rebound value for the Hudson Bay region is observed to be about 300 m

during the past 8 000 years (Peltier, 1985; Begin et al., 1993). Another 300 m of rebound between 14 000 to 8000 years B.P. has been extrapolated according to the exponential decrease of the rebound rate (cf. Peltier, 1985, Fig. 2). Obviously, there is 428 m rebound still missing, which correlates to a 42% loss of the ice sheet mass. This equals 1.76×10^{22} grams ($\sim 5 \times 10^6 \text{ km}^3$) of magma output and 6.3×10^{24} calories of heat released to oceans.

To melt the total ice sheets (4.2×10^{22} grams), 3.36×10^{24} calories would have been needed (80 cal./g of the fusion heat of water). That means 2.94×10^{24} calories have been contributed to ocean warming. This amount is large enough to raise the seawater temperature about 2.2 °C assuming a modern ocean water volume of $1.32 \times 10^9 \text{ km}^3$ (cf. Judson et al., 1987).

7.8. Effects on Rapid Deglaciation and Global Warming

The following sections emphasize that the pulsative spreading and instantaneous heat release could powerfully stimulate a rapid deglaciation (termination) and global climate warming.

7.8.1. Instantaneous Heat Release

As discussed in section 7.6.1 and Table 7-2, the minimum forced quasi-instantaneous output of magma at mid-ocean ridges in the northern hemisphere is about 900 km^3 . When exposed, the magma must cool and release heat to the ocean. The amount of the released heat is determined by the following equation with neglect of latent heat of crystallization:

$$Q = C\rho V\Delta T$$

where C is the specific heat of magma, about $0.3 \text{ cal./g.}^\circ\text{C}$ (cf. Anderson, 1989), ρ the density of solidified magma, assuming 3.5g/cm^3 , V the volume of magma output, and ΔT the temperature difference between magma and deep ocean water, which is approximately 1200°C . The estimated minimum heat released from the magma to ocean water is 1.14×10^{21} calories. This is equivalent to 5% of the yearly amount of sunlight absorbed by the troposphere and ocean in the northern Atlantic basin.

The warming effect is closely related to the rate of the heat liberation. From previous observation, faulting is a very common phenomenon in the median valley of the North Atlantic Ridge (Smith and Cann, 1993). This must greatly enhance the permeability of the ridge crust and deep hydrothermal circulation, and thus accelerate magma cooling. Nevertheless, its climatic influence is much more than direct heating.

7.8.2. Stimulation for Deep Water Circulation

Studies by Lowell and Germanovitch (1995) and others (e.g., Baker et al., 1987, 1989) have pointed out that even as small amount as 0.01 km^3 of magma at an ocean ridge can generate a megaplume of ocean water mass in the order of 20 km in diameter. Over 800 km^3 of magma output in the northern Atlantic basin forced by the ice sheet loading must have caused chaotic perturbation in the ocean temperature gradient and density gradient, and therefore caused vigorous deep water circulation. During such an event, the exposed magma along the mid-ocean ridge axes heats the deep water just above the ridges. The heated water could form superplumes upflowing to certain heights.

Following this, the ambient cold water will form downflows migrating towards the hot ridges due to density gradient forcing. Because large extension of mid-ocean rifts is predicted in the region from the tropical Atlantic to the Arctic circle, the superplumes of hot water would influence almost the entire northern hemispheric Atlantic Ocean. Therefore, the induced vigorous massive deep water circulation must involve the whole Atlantic.

Many studies indicate that during glacial periods the North Atlantic deep water circulation was greatly weakened or even thought to have shut down (Broecker and Denton, 1989; Boyle et al., 1987, 1990; Bond et al., 1992). The polar ice front in the North Atlantic Ocean reached as far south as 40- 50°N (Ruddiman and McIntyre, 1981) during the last glacial maximum. The forced stretching of the mid-ocean ridges due to a critical volume of the ice sheets in the northern hemisphere, like a powerful engine, would have generated north Atlantic deep water circulation and forced world-wide ocean circulation, possibly flipping over the ocean-operation mode from glacial to interglacial.

7.8.3. Contribution to the Enhancement of Atmospheric CO₂ Levels

Greenhouse gases are an important factor in global warming. Observations of polar ice cores in both hemispheres show that the atmospheric CO₂ and methane (CH₄) fluctuate in phase with temperature (Dansgaard and Oeschger, 1989; Barnola et al., 1987). The climate forcing of the change in CO₂ from 200 to 280 ppm is believed to be about 1.75 °C and the combined forcing of CO₂ and CH₄ could account for a 2.3 °C warming (Chappellaz et al., 1990; Lorius et al., 1990). But the mechanism of the rapid rise of these gases still remains a puzzle.

Massive magmatism at mid-ocean ridges has a positive effect on the enhancement of atmospheric CO₂ levels. Ocean water warming caused by magma output at ocean ridges must lower CO₂ solubility and drive more CO₂ from cold ocean regimes into the atmosphere. During magma eruptions, certain quantities of greenhouse gases will be liberated from the deep earth. In addition, the temperature rise near the ocean floor will intensify decomposition of organic matter in ocean sediments to produce more greenhouse gases. Taking all of these factors together, the episodic ocean ridge accretion, driven by the ice sheet loading, could greatly raise the atmospheric CO₂ from glacial to interglacial level within a rather short period.

7.9. Fluctuations in Spreading Rates of the Ocean Ridges and Glacial-Interglacial Oscillations

As illustrated in Figures 7-10 and 7-11, the mid-ocean ridge processes and the ice sheets are coupled together in the dynamic surficial environment of the planet Earth. In the previous section, the influence of ice sheet loading on ocean ridge process, and the spreading rate variation and topographic development was discussed. The following section will concentrate on how the mid-ocean ridge process might have an imprint on the pacing of secular climate change.

When the ice sheets reach a critical volume, enough to pass the elastic deformation threshold of the lithosphere at mid-ocean ridges, failure deformation must take place. Only massive magma output from mid-ocean ridges could provide the interior space to allow large scale isostatic depression of the crust underneath the ice sheets to occur, and hence lead to a complete collapse of the ice sheets by faulting and lowering

the elevation (because the atmospheric temperature in the troposphere declines with elevation). Interlocked by this mechanism, the pulsative magmatism of the world mid-ocean ridges might in turn promote a complete deglaciation. Meanwhile, through direct heating, forcing deep ocean circulation and enhancing greenhouse gases levels of the atmosphere, the sudden exposure of a massive amount of magma from the mid-ocean ridges would lead to a world-ocean warming first and then a global climate warming, and force the climate into an interglacial period.

As mentioned above, the magma production in the deep earth is presumably constant on a time scale of millions of years. After excessive export of magma from the deep earth, the magma reservoir in these regions may become depleted. Therefore, the ocean ridges in the north Atlantic may have evolved into a relatively quiet stage of magma accumulation, during which small scale volcanism and slow spreading rates could only be observed. With less energy supplement from the earth's interior, the north Atlantic deep water circulation would decrease, and the global climate would become cooler and move into a glacial period of long-term ice-sheet growth.

The lithospheric thickness at mid-ocean ridge axes largely depends on magma flux, as indicated by the different thickness between the fast-spreading East Pacific Rise (Detrick et al., 1987; Harding et al., 1989; Vera et al., 1990) and the slow-spreading Mid-Atlantic Ridge (Huang et al., 1986; Bergman and Solomon, 1990; Kong et al., 1992). It is a direct expression of the ridge's thermal state, and should reflect the balance between heat loss through conductive and hydrothermal cooling, and heat supply from the asthenosphere (Cannat, 1993). Axial lithospheric thickening will enhance the strength of the ridge's lithosphere against ice-sheet- forced deformation and set up a new threshold

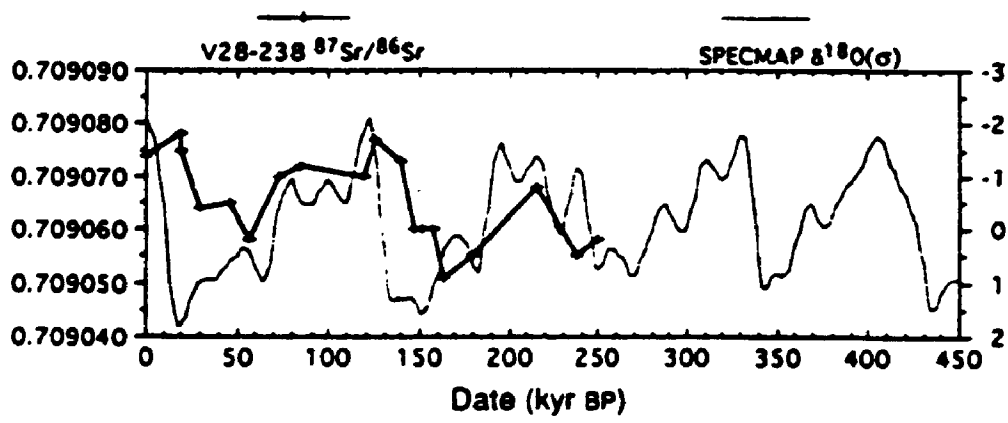
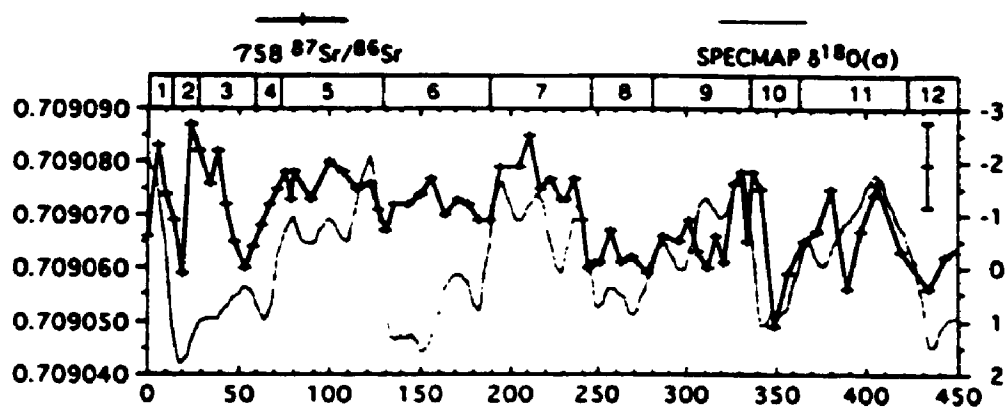
of maximum volume of the ice sheets. Once this threshold of the ice sheets volume is achieved (which is determined by the fragile part of the lithosphere), a new episode of ocean ridge extension and deglaciation would re-occur. In this scenario, the ice sheet loading and ocean ridge processes could be coupled to produce the glacial-interglacial oscillations. Therefore, the secular climate oscillations very likely reflect the balance of a self-sustained system involving the earth's interior and the earth's surface rather than other exotic forcing mechanisms in the Quaternary.

7.10. Possible Link between Ocean Ridge Process and Ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ Changes on Glacial Cycle Scale

Strontium isotope studies in marine sediments indicate that $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios have been rising since the early Cenozoic (DePaolo and Ingram, 1985; Faure, 1986; Edmond, 1992; Paytan et al., 1993). This is attributed to plateau uplift, in particular of Tibet (Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988; Ruddiman and Kutzbach, 1991; Raymo and Ruddiman, 1992; Edmond, 1992). It is believed that the Tibetan Plateau uplift has intensified the Indian monsoon and thus enhanced chemical weathering of the continental crust. However, this does not well explain the changes in $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios on the glacial cycle scale.

Short-term variations of the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios in world oceans have been observed in recent years (Dia et al., 1992; Paytan et al., 1993; Clemens et al., 1993; Blum and Erel, 1995), but are not fully understood. As shown in Figure 7-12, Clemens et al. (1993) found that the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ variations follow a 100-kyr cycle more or less simultaneously with changes in ice volume (ocean $\delta^{18}\text{O}$) in the equatorial Indian Ocean

Figure 7-12. Seawater $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ records compared to the SPECMAP $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record of global ice volume (from Clemens et al., 1993) Indian Ocean site 758 (top) and Pacific Ocean V28-238 (bottom). Oxygen isotopic stages are labelled at the top (even numbers represent glacial intervals).



(actually leading the global ice-volume signal by a short period), and some thousand years ahead in the equatorial Pacific at deglaciations (Dia et al., 1992; Clemens et al., 1993). These phenomena could be better explained by the episodic extension of mid-ocean ridges. These magmas from ocean ridges with a typically low $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio of 0.7030 (cf. Faure, 1986) could release a great amount of strontium to the ocean by alteration with sea water. The observed low values of ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios during deglaciations could be related to the pulsatory ocean ridge process. The continuous increase in the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios of Cenozoic marine sediments is not fully explained by weathering factors alone because the great enhancement began much earlier than the plateau uplift-intensified weathering.

It should be stressed here that magma influx at mid-ocean ridges may be an important factor for ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio change in the Cenozoic. The ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio can be considered as a mixture of three isotopic varieties of strontium derived from young volcanic rocks, old sialic rocks of continental crust and marine carbonate rocks of Phanerozoic age. Therefore, the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio of seawater is an indirect indicator of the kinds of rocks that are exposed to chemical weathering on the surface of continents and in ocean basins. The low intensity of magmatism in the Cenozoic suggests a reduced influence to the ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ signal than previously. Even though the chemical weathering of continental crust does not increase, the ocean $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ can still increase. Likewise, an increase of magmatism will decrease the ratio, as observed for early geologic time (cf. Faure, 1986; Larson, 1991).

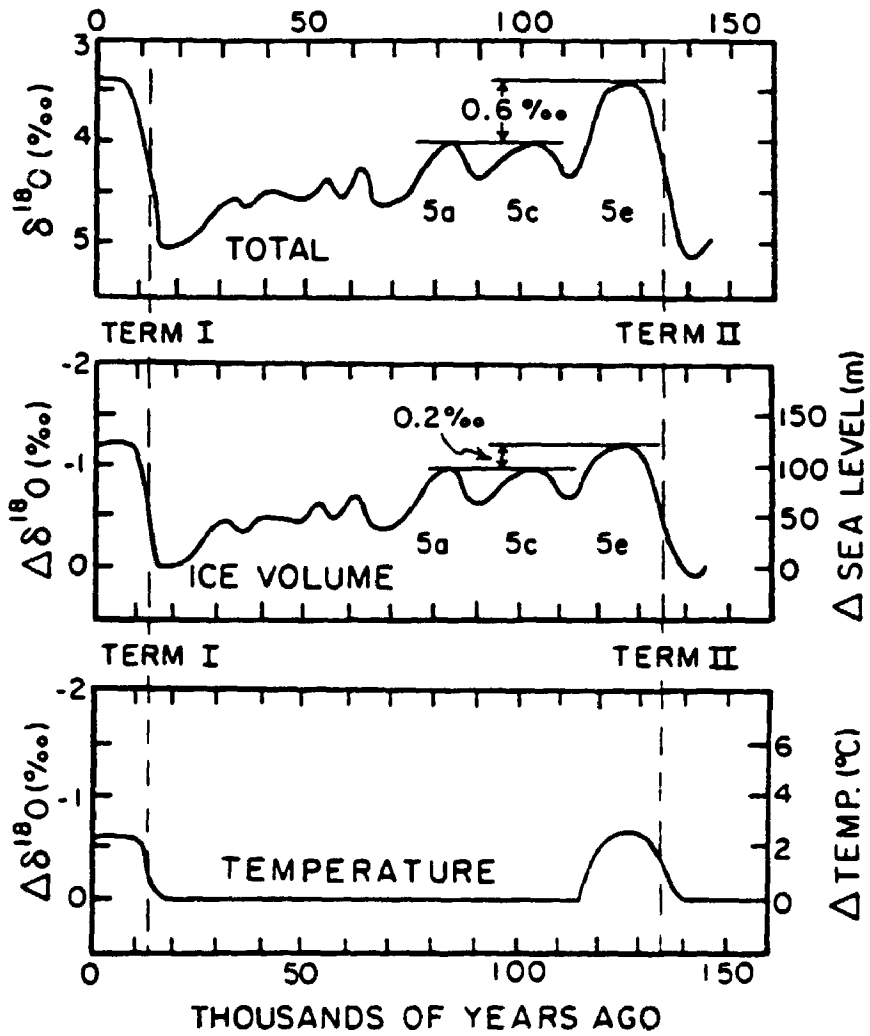
7.11. Support from Geologic Evidence

Sturchio et al. (1993) suggest that the geothermal activity in the Kenya rift valley regions corresponds to periods of high lake levels. Studies of the Younger Toba Tuff in Indonesia indicate that massive volcanism occurred during a climatic transition period, which has been attributed to rapid ice growth and global sea level falling (Rampino and Self, 1992, 1993). Due to discrepancies between the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio in calcite shells of planktonic foraminifera, and the estimated chemical weathering influx for the past half million years, the possibility of pulsations of the seafloor hydrothermal fluxes has been proposed for future exploration (Froelich, 1993; Clemens et al., 1993).

More convincing evidence lies in the deep water temperature changes through glacial cycles. As shown in Figure 7-13, the deep ocean water temperatures rise simultaneously and abruptly with global ice volume waning. With the ice and melt water discharge to the ocean, the ocean would have become cooler at least in the deglaciation period if no deep heating had occurred. Obviously, the observed greater than 2 °C abrupt increase in the deep ocean water temperature cannot be explained by either orbital forcing or the ocean circulation mode switch. Furthermore, the temperature of the deep ocean water decreases and then is characterized by a long period of stability after a positive pulse until next maximum ice volume. This occurs independent of whether the climate is warm or cold.

Numerous studies on mid-ocean ridge processes provide useful information for the interpretation of the modeling results. The axial topography of mid-ocean ridges in the Atlantic ocean indicates a pulsative style of ridge process, as suggested by median ridge valleys constituted by stepwise walls and flat platforms (Smith and Cann, 1993; Karson et al., 1987; Pockalny et al., 1988; Detrick et al., 1990; Tucholke and Lin, 1994).

Figure 7-13. The marine oxygen-isotope records for the last glacial cycle (adopted from Broecker and Denton, 1990). The upper panel shows a smoothed version of the oxygen-isotope record for benthic foraminifera from eastern equatorial Pacific core V19-30. The middle panel shows the record after correction of 0.4‰ for a warming of deep water during the interglacial peaks after termination II and termination I. This corrected record is believed to closely represent changes in ice volume. The lower panel shows the impact on the benthic isotope record of changes in the temperature of deep Pacific water. For specific interpretation of the lower panel refer to the text.



However, supporting evidence is still scanty for cyclicities at the 100 kyr scale. Possible explanations include the possibility that available bathymetric data do not have enough resolution power to detect these cycles because the calculated pulse extension is less than 100 m in width for most ridge sections. In addition, the topography of the ridges is complicated, highly developed normal faults are superimposed by multiple volcanic edifices and deformed by faulting segments between ridge domains. All of these factors greatly increase the difficulty for the use of bathymetric interpretation to identify the discontinuous and irregularly distributed extension in the order of about hundred meters or less. Therefore, more detailed measurements and systematic dating of central mid-ocean ridges are critical to support the hypothesis of this study and to provide substantial constraints for improving the existing models.

7.12. Comments on the Mid-Ocean Ridge Process-Link of the Quaternary Glacial Cyclicity

7.12.1. Magma Output and the Forced Mid-Ocean Ridge Extension

Under normal conditions, the output of magma at mid-ocean ridges represents a balance of the pressure in the melt chamber/ reservoir, the convection force of lower mantle, and the resistance of the plates against spreading. The axial high represents periods of waxing magmatism when crustal production rates exceed necking. The ridge troughs represent periods of waning magmatism when extensional tectonism is greater than constructional magmatism (Tuchocky and Liu, 1994). The latter case could be expected (from the modelling experiments) to occur most likely at the Atlantic ridges in

the northern hemisphere where ridge-axial valleys are observed. However, for ridges characterized by axial highs which imply magma-rich reservoirs underneath, the magmatic flux must be far greater than the calculated horizontal displacement. Particularly, for some regions with giant melt regimes, even a small extensional force produced by ice sheet loading can trigger massive magmatism.

If we assume that the variation in $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios in ocean water during the transition period from last glacial maximum to deglaciation have been caused by mid-ocean ridge processing, it can be estimated that the magma output would cause the ratio to fall from 0.709087 to 0.709058 (cf. Clemens et al., 1993). The volume of ocean water during that period is obtained using today's value subtracting 130 m of sea level reduction. The riverine influx is neglected but compensated by using the modern ocean concentration of 7.7 ppm strontium. This manipulation is based on: (1) the riverine fluxes were greatly reduced for most areas of the world during the glacial maximum; (2) the duration of the change is less than 10 ka; and (3) the ocean water strontium concentration of the past is lower than today (cf. Blum and Erel, 1995). If 0.7035 of $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ and 772 $\mu\text{g/g}$ of Sr concentration are adopted for average mid-ocean ridge basalts, 20,000 km^3 of hydrothermally altered magma is necessary. This counts for 0.4% of the estimated value ($5 \times 10^6 \text{ km}^3$).

The ice volume reconstruction for the Antarctic ice sheet raises a big discrepancy (Andrews, 1992; Colhoun et al., 1992). The construction with raised beach altitudes suggests an ice sheet during the last glacial which is much smaller than expected, and leads to 25 meters of the world ocean water in thickness missing (the reconstructed contribution of the deglaciation in the Antarctic to sea level rise at most 2.5 meters). This

thesis proposes that it is possibly attributable to ocean ridge deformation and magma output induced by ice sheet loading. The amplitude of isostatic rebound could not be used for an estimate of ice sheet volume, but might provide a constraint for magma output from the world ocean ridge system.

For more accurate insight into the deformation forced by ice sheet loading, a refinement of model constructions is needed with the addition of updated geologic findings. Also, an ice sheet load in the Antarctic may need to be added to the model.

7.12.2. Ridge Processing and the Earth's Internal Dynamics

Paleoclimatic records both in marine and terrestrial sediments have revealed that the dominant glacial cycles are constant in each geomagnetic polarity Chron but different from others in other polarity intervals (see Figure 6-4 and Ruddiman and Raymo, 1988). As has been suggested, magnetic reversals are related to global heat flow, and thus to the internal dynamics (Larson, 1991; Larson and Olson, 1991). Although it is in contrast to the expected relation by Larson and Olson (1991), the geomagnetic paleo-intensities do show an inverse relation to global magmatic intensity (cf. Pick and Tauxe, 1993). The average geomagnetic intensity in the Matuyama chron is lower than in the Brunhes (cf. Valet and Meynadier, 1993). If the relation between magmatic and geomagnetic intensities is confirmed, the polarity reversal between the Matuyama and Brunhes would imply a major change in mantle dynamics, which could cause a change in crustal thickness of mid-ocean ridges and their mechanical strength. Therefore, a thinner crust of ridge axes in the Matuyama can be expected, which must result in an earlier failure extension, and implies a lower threshold of the ice sheet volume. In this case, a shorter

periodicity of glacial cycle is produced. As observed in the Matuyama chron, the glacial cycles are obviously shorter than the 100 kyr cycle in the Brunhes.

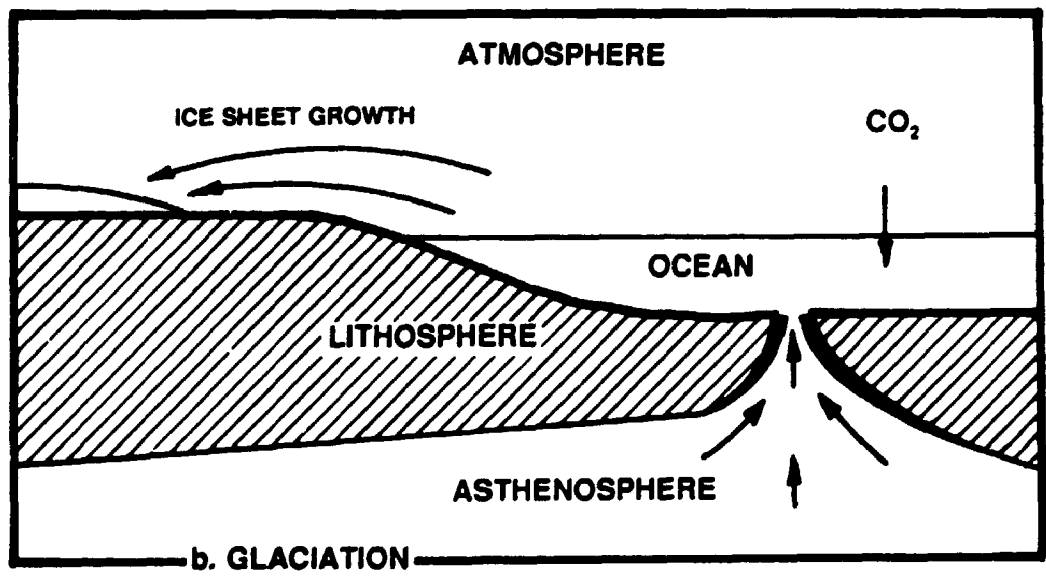
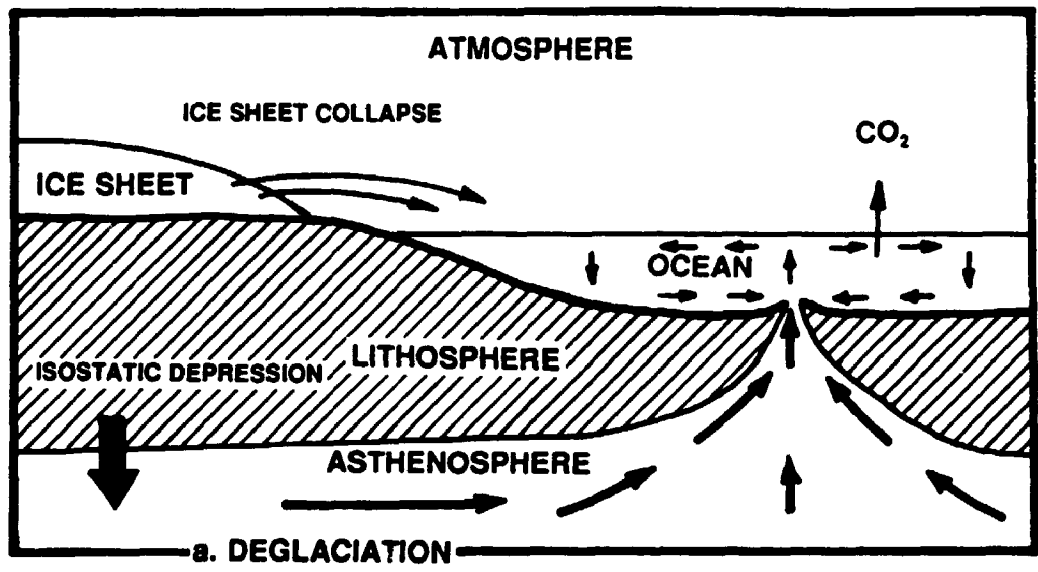
7.12.3. Summary

Overall, evidence from a broad range of geo-observations and the modelling provide direct or indirect support for the hypothesis that the balance of exogenetic ice sheet growth and endogenetic dynamics through the most sensitive channel, the world mid-ocean ridge system, have paced the Quaternary glacial cycles. The mechanism was possibly first related to an amagmatic period which led to a global cooling, and thus the Quaternary glacial initiation. With ice sheet growth, magma accumulation, and the arrival of the ice volume threshold, failure deformation of the ocean ridges occurred, which induced massive magma output from the ridge system. Once this occurred, the massive magmatic process quickly destroyed the ice sheets through the evacuation of the earth's interior space for ice sheet depression which caused tectonic forcing on rapid collapse of the ice sheets (and also subjected the ice to high atmospheric temperature as mentioned earlier). By direct heating ocean water and the discharged ice, stimulating deep ocean circulation, and enhancing the atmospheric greenhouse gases levels, the massive magmatic process at ocean ridges produced a rapid global warming. After this process, the magma reservoirs became exhausted, the ocean ridges returned to a quiet stage with less magmatic activity, the world climate became cooler, and a new glacial period was resumed until another critical ice volume was attained (as illustrated in Figure 7-14).

It needs to be stressed that this study is just beginning. The establishment of the hypothesis must involve a large amount of additional work involving both collection of

geologic evidence and model improvement.

Figure 7-14. Mid-ocean processes and the Quaternary glacial-interglacial oscillation-- A self-sustained Earth surfacial system.



CHAPTER 8

CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

8.1. Conclusions

The major contributions and conclusions of this study are presented below.

1) By paleomagnetic investigation, the fluviolacustrine sequence in the Shijiawan section was determined to be in the period between 3.05 and 1.9 Ma B.P. Sedimentary analyses indicate that this sequence is mainly derived from river channel sand beds and floodplain deposits, reflecting a typical alluvial environment. The fine sediment layers are dominantly reworked red clay and loess, as was suggested by comparison of grain-size distribution, mineralogy, texture and colour. The last typical reworked red clay bed and the first typical reworked loess layer are respectively 2.7 and 2.61 Ma in age. After 1.9 Ma B.P., fluviolacustrine deposition in the Shijiawan section was replaced by a loess-paleosol accumulation, which shows an earlier termination of the hydrogenic environment in this area than in the central basin.

The upper part of the red clay formation in the Yanyu section correlates with the Gauss Chron. The smooth contacts suggest there is no significant hiatus between the red clay and the overlying loess. Therefore, it is considered as a continuous depositional sequence from red clay to loess in the Yanyu section, a similar conclusion to that obtained from the Lantian section and the Baoji section in the Guanzhong basin.

2) Stable carbon isotope studies of organic matter from the modern system reveal that the major floral species are C₃ in type for both open forest and sage steppe. Only

a few non-arboreal species are C4. The related soils have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values close to the source floras. Systematic analyses through the soil profiles indicate that steppe flora has a major distribution depth within the upper 20 cm, much shallower than for the forest where the major distribution depth is more than 50 cm, consistent with field observations. This study provides a basis necessary for paleovegetational interpretation of the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signatures in paleosol profiles in the region.

3) Studies of the S5 unit, the best-developed paleosol in the Loess-paleosol sequence, demonstrate that the major pedogenic processes are decalcification and mechanical translocation of fine particles (clay illuviation). Except for calcareous carbonate, little change in chemical and mineral composition occurred during pedogenesis, suggesting a climate with slightly less precipitation than today. Stable carbon-isotopic evidence indicates a pronounced proportion of C4 plants and suggests that grasslands dominated the paleovegetation. Overall, evidence obtained from this study is not in agreement with the conventional conclusion that the S5 in the Guanzhong basin reflects a typical forest environment. For a more solid interpretation, better age control is required.

4) The Pliocene red clay formation shows great similarity in grain-size distribution, mineralogy, clay mineralogy, and chemical composition throughout individual profiles and between the Yanyu and Luochuan sections which are located in different basins hundreds of miles apart. Furthermore, the red clay is nearly identical to the overlying loess--paleosol sequence in grain-size, mineralogy, chemical composition and texture. The geographic distribution of the red clay coincides with the range of the loess. Therefore, an aeolian origin of the red clay is strongly suggested. This implies that

dust deposition from the deserts in central China started long before loess accumulation.

5) Studies of the Shijiawan fluviolacustrine sequence and the red clay formation in the Yanyu and Luochuan sections indicate that a stationary warm-dry climate in the Pliocene lasted until 2.7 Ma B.P. During that period, paleovegetation in the southern Guanzhong basin was dominated by a typical sage flora with little variability, indicative of drier conditions than in the early Quaternary interglacials and the present. This contrasts with a widely held opinion that the red clay formation was developed during a hot-wet climate.

6) The modern east Asian Monsoon climate shows a close relation to the distance from the west Pacific margin, the mean annual precipitation decreases inversely with the distance. This is supported by the evidence from sea level change, marginal migrations, and paleovegetational constructions for the last 18,000 years. Via the sea level-linked coastal migration and thus the change in distance from the Pacific margin, the Quaternary global glacial-interglacial signals were transmitted into the regional climate. Therefore, climate change recorded in the loess-paleosol sequence faithfully reflects global glacial climate change. From the distance-precipitation linkage, the loess plateau was located totally in the areas with a mean annual precipitation less than 150 mm during the last glacial maximum. This explains why the detrital calcite in loess layers remains essentially unaffected as commonly observed in the Malan loess in most regions. Also, the sea level-interlocked climate mechanism helps in the understanding of the climatic interpretation of the S5 from this study.

7) Evidence indicates a rather slow dust deposition through the red clay formation, reflecting the weakness of the Siberian cold high pressure cell during the Pliocene. Later

it was greatly intensified and this transition was completed in no more than 100 ka, as is constrained by the last typical reworked red clay bed and the first typical loess layer from 2.7 to 2.6 Ma B.P. Studies show that both a replacement of the regional climate system (which shows the demise of the Pliocene climate and gave way to the modern east Asian monsoon), and the advent of the Quaternary glacial-interglacial oscillations appeared with the transition. The time constraints for both changes critically challenges the previous tectonic forcing hypothesis for the Quaternary glacial initiation.

Nevertheless, the importance of the Tibetan Plateau and its accelerated uplift since late Pliocene associated with global cooling in the establishment of the modern east Asian monsoon and intensification of the Siberian cold high pressure centre cannot be ignored. Instead of total control by plateau uplift, this study stresses that it is the first global glaciation of the Quaternary that greatly and rapidly enhanced the blocking effect of the high Himalayas on the Indian Oceanic monsoon by creation of ice caps (or snow mantle) and glaciers. In this aspect, future work should involve precise dating constraints from inside the Tibetan Plateau and solid evidence for the amplitude of the uplift. Additional atmospheric general circulation modelling with robust boundary conditions obtained from geological study (e.g., ice caps and size, snowline, surface conditions such as vegetation, moisture, topography etc., elevation change both for high Himalayas and major Plateau, etc.) will be needed.

8) A preliminary elastic finite-element spheric model of the earth was established with the target to simulate the influence of the ice sheet loads on the deformation of the world mid-ocean ridge system. The modelling results with various parameter values (crustal thickness and stiffness coefficient of the springs) show that the distribution

patterns (the geographic positions of typical rifts and transform faults) and topography of both ridge axial high at the East Pacific Rise and ridge axial valley at northern Atlantic Ridges are closely related to the ice sheet-induced deformation. This suggests an influence of the great ice-sheets waning and waxing on shaping the world mid-ocean ridge system during the Quaternary.

9) Failure deformation of the mid-ocean ridges implies pulsative and massive magma output, which correlates with isostatic depression and leads to a complete collapse of the ice sheets. The total magma output contributed by elastic failure stretching and episodic magmatism related to the ice-loading could force asthenosphere deformation flow and cause a few degree warming of the world ocean in the first 2-3 ka after deglaciation. Furthermore, the ice sheet-loading induced magmatism at ocean ridges could employ all the positive factors to destroy the ice sheets and to force a global warming (by heat release, enhancement of atmospheric greenhouse gas levels, stimulation of deep ocean circulation and facilitation of isostatic depression to lower the ice sheet elevation).

10) Modelling experiments indicate that the maximum displacement of the mid-ocean ridges induced by the great ice sheets occurs in the northern North Atlantic ocean east of Greenland, with the magnitude slowly decreasing southward. This would suggest that the Atlantic Ocean ridges were more actively involved in the processes.

11) The pulsative magmatism (episodic spreading of the mid-ocean ridges) was first forced by massive ice sheet loading during glaciation. This in turn produced a decisive deglaciation and lead to an interglacial period. With the depletion of magma reservoirs underneath the ocean ridges after an massive episodic output, the mid-ocean ridge processing turned into an accumulation stage. With less heat supplement from the

Earth's interior, the world climate gradually entered into a long-term ice sheet build-up stage. Once a critical (maximum) volume of the ice sheets was attained, a failure deformation of the mid-ocean ridges occurred again, leading to a new episode of deglaciation and climate warming. By this mechanism, the world secular climate and the mid-ocean ridge processes coupled together, generating a self-sustained surfacial planet system. making a glacial-interglacial oscillated Quaternary climate.

8.2. Future Work

When the isostatic depression by ice sheet loading is considered as a critical factor for glaciation termination, the displacement at mid-ocean ridges should be at least equally taken into consideration, because the ocean ridge system is the most vulnerable part of the earth reflecting deformation. The primary modelling experiments show great potential for the examination of mid-ocean processes in the understanding of the Quaternary glacial-interglacial fluctuation. Future work will involve model refinement and geologic constraint. The former implies the need for extensive testing with large amounts of systematically various values of all the parameters employed. But it should be stressed, a substantial improvement depends largely on geoscience evidence. Episodic magmatism of the ridge processes at the glacial cycle scale ($10^4 \sim 10^5$ years) must be examined in the northern North Atlantic Ocean, which involves systematic sampling across the central rift in multiple ridge segments and accurate dating. In modern Quaternary studies, it has been evident that precise chronological dating is often decisive in resolving many of the major problems.

Appendix I

Displacements of the World Mid-Ocean Ridges Simulated by Model 3-1.

1) The coordinates x , y , and z are the radius of the earth, longitude, and latitude of the finite-element node, respectively. The longitudes are presented as 0 to 180° for 0-180°E, and 0 to -180° for 0-180°W. The latitudes are expressed as 0-90° for north latitude 0-90°N, and 0 to -90° for south latitudes 0-90°S.

2) The translations of each node along the x , y , and z axes are determined according to their original coordinates. The x , y , and z axes represent translations along longitudinal, latitudinal, and earth's radius directions respectively. The variables have been defined as x southwards, y eastwards, and z upwards as positive, and negative in their opposite directions. Values in the table are presented in metres.

3) u , v , and w are the 3 partial values of the displacement vector of each node pair in the x , y , and z coordinates, respectively. The node pairs are determined according to node positions in the finite-element network. A simple vector operation is employed for obtaining an absolute displacement. To calculate the absolute displacement of node A to node B for the node pair AB, for example, the following formulas are used:

$$u = x_A - x_B, \quad v = y_A - y_B, \quad w = z_A - z_B,$$
$$ABS(u) = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}$$

Where x , y , and z are the values of translations along x , y , and z coordinates, the denotations A and B indicate the values for nodes A and B respectively. The ABS(u) means absolute value of the vector displacement.

NODE	X-	Y-	Z-	X-	Y-	Z-	U	V	W	ABS(U)
NUMB	COORD	COORD	COORD	Translation	Translation	Translation				
1	6.37E+06	0	90	-712.02	-825.26	-596.83				
2	6.37E+06	-10	83.5	-1.6964	-778.91	-274.02	-7.3481	6.32	0.41	9.70
3	6.37E+06	-9.9	83.5	-9.0445	-772.59	-273.61				
13	6.37E+06	10	77.6	729.98	-260.89	41.07	4.07	20.63	-29.29	36.06
14	6.37E+06	10.1	77.7	734.05	-240.06	11.781				
24	6.37E+06	9	75.4	1209.5	-181.15	107.29	31.2	21.08	-3.04	37.78
25	6.37E+06	9.1	75.4	1240.7	-160.07	104.25				
52	6.37E+06	-9	72	399.91	-642.93	632.87	-63.36	66.6	-40.93	100.62
53	6.37E+06	-17.667	66.333	-276.07	-455.48	773.56	-26.79	33.62	-25.4	49.93
54	6.37E+06	-26.333	60.667	-401.12	-390.14	708.42	0.1	19.14	-10.4	21.78
55	6.37E+06	-35	55	-373.32	-534.19	694.52	-3.35	13.03	-1.86	13.58
56	6.37E+06	-8.9	71.9	336.55	-576.33	591.94				
57	6.37E+06	-17.567	66.267	-302.86	-421.86	748.16				
58	6.37E+06	-26.233	60.633	-401.02	-371	698.02				
59	6.37E+06	-34.9	55	-376.67	-521.16	692.66				
60	6.37E+06	-3	72	-480.64	-330.42	456.31	12.22	66.91	-19.47	70.75
61	6.37E+06	-2.9	71.9	-468.42	-263.51	438.84				
108	6.37E+06	-128.8	54.3	1953.1	1182.1	832.21	43.7	4.5	-10.94	45.27
109	6.37E+06	-129	54.5	1996.8	1186.6	821.27				
170	6.37E+06	-27.9	49.1	-204.39	-243.32	512.89	-3.56	-9.66	5.14	11.51
171	6.37E+06	-28	49	-207.95	-252.96	518.03				
183	6.37E+06	-129.4	50	-134.34	754.51	720.85	-27.47	-16.32	-34.1	46.73
184	6.37E+06	-129.5	50	-161.81	738.19	686.75				
247	6.37E+06	-130	45.5	-137.46	434.91	547.39	3.99	10.74	15.38	19.18
249	6.37E+06	-127	40.6	-56.298	262.75	494.21	-24.533	2.09	3.99	24.74
250	6.37E+06	-126	44	-77.898	403.7	635.68	-4.615	12.71	18.64	23.00
251	6.37E+06	-129.9	45.5	-133.47	445.65	562.77				
252	6.37E+06	-125.9	44	-82.513	416.41	654.32				
253	6.37E+06	-126.9	40.5	-80.831	264.84	498.2				
290	6.37E+06	-30	41	-79.061	-176.37	364	-2.647	6.91	-7.2	10.32
291	6.37E+06	-29.9	41	-81.708	-169.46	356.8				
425	6.37E+06	-45	29.1	-55.033	-112.14	256.26	1.714	4.78	-16.13	16.91
426	6.37E+06	-44.9	29	-53.319	-107.36	240.13				
427	6.37E+06	-38.8	33	-58.145	-129.39	273.42	-5.009	-6.8	14.86	17.09
429	6.37E+06	-39	33	-63.154	-136.19	286.26				
430	6.37E+06	-35	36.5	-29.154	-157.32	313.93	5.59	9.77	-17.94	21.18
431	6.37E+06	-34.8	36.5	-23.564	-147.55	295.99				
458	6.37E+06	32.1	31	-16.115	-27.888	159.2	-0.315	1.018	-0.17	1.08
460	6.37E+06	32	31	-16.43	-26.87	159.03				
548	6.37E+06	-107	24	-62.101	72.674	325.03	-2.722	0.106	0.96	2.89
549	6.37E+06	-106.8	23.9	-64.823	72.78	325.99				
550	6.37E+06	-106	20	-35.897	49.806	231	-0.356	-0.142	6.01	6.02
551	6.37E+06	-105.9	20	-36.053	49.666	237.01				
578	6.37E+06	-46	20	-19.809	-47.151	130.79	0.56	2.263	-3.52	4.23
579	6.37E+06	-45.5	25	-30.075	-74.53	187.47	0.647	1.964	-4.59	5.03
580	6.37E+06	-45.4	25	-29.428	-72.566	182.88				
581	6.37E+06	-45.9	20	-19.249	-44.868	127.27				

612	6.37E+06	38	20	-7 5998	-10.12	65 316	-0.0995	-0.466	0 918	1 03
613	6.37E+06	35	25	-15.184	-16 467	99.978	0.269	-0.739	0 722	1 07
614	6.37E+06	35.1	25	-14.915	-17.206	100.7				
617	6.37E+06	38.1	20	-7.6993	-10.586	66 234				
700	6.37E+06	-103.5	10	-19.005	19.183	108.71	0.089	-0.398	2.29	2 33
701	6.37E+06	-105	15	-29.013	31.861	159.88	0.516	-0.124	3 96	4.00
702	6.37E+06	-104.9	15	-28.497	31.737	163.84				
703	6.37E+06	-103.4	10	-18.916	18.785	111				
727	6.37E+06	-48	17	-14.773	-34.833	104.95	0.568	1.777	-0.67	1 98
728	6.37E+06	-45.9	17	-14.205	-33.056	104.28				
730	6.37E+06	-41.9	13.1	-12.265	-23.09	75.417	-0.348	0.669	-2.92	3 02
731	6.37E+06	-42	13	-12.613	-22.421	72.497				
732	6.37E+06	-38	10	-11.77	-16.147	59.067	-0.839	0.906	-2.094	2.43
733	6.37E+06	-37.9	10	-12.609	-15.241	56.973				
766	6.37E+06	42	12	-5 638	-5.3935	38 679	-0.1935	0.1398	1 224	1 25
767	6.37E+06	42.1	12.1	-5 8315	-5.2539	39.903				
770	6.37E+06	40	16	-2 8468	-7 227	48.411	-0.0118	0.0179	-0.528	0.53
771	6.37E+06	39.9	16	-2.8584	-7.2091	47.883				
775	6.37E+06	50	14	-7 3816	-7.3621	45 212	0.2533	0.4141	-2.27	2.32
776	6.37E+06	50	13.9	-7.1283	-6.948	42.942				
781	6.37E+06	56	14	-12.023	-7.8013	40.237	-0.465	-0.718	2.363	2.51
782	6.37E+06	56.1	14.1	-12.488	-8.5193	42.6				
784	6.37E+06	60	10	-5.5715	-5.1084	30.683	-0.0462	-0.343	1.285	1.33
785	6.37E+06	60.1	10.1	-5.6177	-5.4518	31.968				
866	6.37E+06	-101	0	-8.8261	6.1821	52.708	-0.1358	0.1592	0.196	0.29
867	6.37E+06	-101.9	5	-8.9514	10.104	69.086	-0.0335	-0.252	2.685	2.70
868	6.37E+06	-102	5.1	-7.1338	10.525	69.952	0.1599	-0.212	3.438	3.45
869	6.37E+06	-101.8	5.1	-6.9739	10.313	73.39				
870	6.37E+06	-101.7	5	-6.9849	9.8522	71.771				
871	6.37E+06	-100.9	0	-8.9619	6.3413	52.904				
873	6.37E+06	-95	4	-16.977	5.1487	79.423	-0.23	0.234	1.999	2.03
874	6.37E+06	-95	4.1	-17.207	5.3827	81.422				
875	6.37E+06	-90	4.1	-16.84	1.9128	83.526	0.217	0.1117	-2.17	2.18
876	6.37E+06	-90	4	-16.623	2.0245	81.356				
879	6.37E+06	-85	3	-13.572	-2.0912	81.001	-0.167	-0.205	1.969	1.99
880	6.37E+06	-85	3.1	-13.739	-2.2966	82.97				
881	6.37E+06	-80	3.1	-18.031	-6.9669	84.911	0.113	0.1199	-0.908	0.92
882	6.37E+06	-80	3	-17.918	-6.847	84.003				
904	6.37E+06	-33	5	-5.3182	-8.307	39.078	0.343	-0.607	1.511	1.66
905	6.37E+06	-32.9	5.1	-4.9752	-8.9142	40.589				
906	6.37E+06	-28	2.1	-6.9682	-5.9482	32.598	-0.3662	0.2797	-0.724	0.86
907	6.37E+06	-28	2	-7.3344	-5.6685	31.874				
908	6.37E+06	-20	1	-8.7449	-3.9391	32.222	0.1171	-0.205	0.668	0.71
909	6.37E+06	-20	1.1	-8.6278	-4.1442	32.89				
911	6.37E+06	-14	0	-9.1507	-3.3028	30.82	0.0823	0.0313	0.776	0.78
912	6.37E+06	-13.9	0.1	-9.0884	-3.2715	31.598				
944	6.37E+06	63	5	-3.6819	-3.1043	20.627	-0.0038	-0.1	0.246	0.27
945	6.37E+06	63.1	5	-3.6857	-3.2041	20.873				
947	6.37E+06	67	0	-2.5495	-1.9615	14.475	-0.0497	-0.011	0.192	0.20
948	6.37E+06	67.1	0	-2.5992	-1.9726	14.667				

1024	6.37E+06	-105	-5	-7.296	4.1421	34.862	0.1935	-0.268	-0.835	0.90
1025	6.37E+06	-104.9	-5	-7.1025	3.8745	34.027				
1026	6.37E+06	-107	-10	-4.0227	2.8802	24.302	-0.2178	0.0098	-0.307	0.38
1027	6.37E+06	-108.9	-10	-4.2405	2.89	23.995				
1065	6.37E+06	-14	-10	-2.9629	-1.3226	15.223	0.0406	0.1482	-0.039	0.16
1066	6.37E+06	-13.9	-10	-2.9223	-1.1744	15.184				
1067	6.37E+06	-14	-5	-4.5855	-1.9177	21.525	0.1226	0.1563	-0.04	0.20
1068	6.37E+06	-13.9	-5	-4.4629	-1.7614	21.485				
1099	6.37E+06	67	-5	-2.0783	-1.3181	10.291	0.1249	0.0858	-0.07	0.17
1100	6.37E+06	67.1	-5	-1.9534	-1.2323	10.221				
1101	6.37E+06	67.5	-10	-1.6066	-0.99853	7.1724	0.0621	0.0837	-0.038	0.11
1102	6.37E+06	67.6	-10	-1.5445	-0.91484	7.1348				
1176	6.37E+06	-110	-15	-2.4706	2.3679	15.622	0.0749	-0.059	-0.445	0.46
1177	6.37E+06	-110	-15.2	-2.3957	2.3092	15.177				
1178	6.37E+06	-112	-19	-2.2388	1.8393	11.905	-0.0384	0.089	-0.09	0.13
1179	6.37E+06	-111.9	-19	-2.2772	1.9283	11.815				
1217	6.37E+06	-15	-15	-2.4063	-1.0584	10.867	0.0538	0.1309	-0.071	0.16
1218	6.37E+06	-14.9	-15	-2.3525	-0.92746	10.796				
1219	6.37E+06	-15	-20	-1.8432	-0.85005	7.8668	0.0079	0.11	0.039	0.12
1220	6.37E+06	-14.9	-20	-1.8353	-0.74002	7.9058				
1253	6.37E+06	66.5	-15	-0.90257	-0.81326	5.0081	0.01221	0.0746	-0.052	0.09
1254	6.37E+06	66.6	-15	-0.89036	-0.73864	4.9562				
1256	6.37E+06	67	-20	-0.54533	-0.58288	3.4026	0.0068	0.0562	0.019	0.06
1257	6.37E+06	67.1	-20	-0.53853	-0.52671	3.422				
1333	6.37E+06	-112	-25	-1.585	1.3614	7.7959	-0.0574	0.0825	0.083	0.13
1334	6.37E+06	-111.9	-25	-1.6424	1.4439	7.8792				
1335	6.37E+06	-112	-30	-1.1602	1.0447	5.4257	-0.0178	0.0687	0.064	0.10
1336	6.37E+06	-111.9	-30	-1.178	1.1134	5.4898				
1372	6.37E+06	-14	-27	-1.2228	-0.64866	4.9492	0.0065	0.08	0.022	0.08
1373	6.37E+06	-13.9	-27	-1.2163	-0.56864	4.9708				
1374	6.37E+06	-15	-30	-0.87143	-0.83735	4.065	0.01469	0.067	-0.03	0.07
1375	6.37E+06	-14.9	-30	-0.85674	-0.57038	4.0346				
1405	6.37E+06	60	-30	-0.42755	-0.72478	2.2103	0.02088	0.053	-0.072	0.09
1406	6.37E+06	60.2	-30	-0.40667	-0.6718	2.1387				
1408	6.37E+06	65	-26.6	-0.46249	-0.58056	2.274	-0.0101	-0.023	0.087	0.09
1409	6.37E+06	65	-26.5	-0.47255	-0.80317	2.3612				
1411	6.37E+06	68	-24.1	-0.18527	-0.46727	2.4584	-0.0199	0.0835	0.019	0.09
1412	6.37E+06	68.1	-24	-0.20614	-0.38377	2.4779				
1413	6.37E+06	68.1	-24.2	-0.169	-0.40456	2.3692	-0.0283	0.0308	0.116	0.12
1414	6.37E+06	68.2	-24.1	-0.19725	-0.3738	2.4851				
1416	6.37E+06	75	-30	-0.47452	-0.18728	1.9041	-0.0084	0.0138	0.045	0.05
1417	6.37E+06	75.1	-30	-0.48095	-0.15344	1.9488				
1493	6.37E+06	-111	-36.1	-0.81019	0.70984	3.4253	-0.0405	0.0759	0.134	0.16
1494	6.37E+06	-110.9	-36	-0.85084	0.78572	3.5591				
1496	6.37E+06	-107	-40	-0.40992	0.37833	2.3396	-0.0117	0.0138	-0.012	0.02
1497	6.37E+06	-106.9	-40	-0.42162	0.39217	2.3275				
1498	6.37E+06	-105.1	-37.2	-0.17149	0.54855	2.8419	-0.0227	-0.048	-7E-04	0.05
1499	6.37E+06	-104.9	-37.3	-0.1942	0.50019	2.8412				
1500	6.37E+06	-105	-37	-0.24423	0.59026	3.2146	0.05601	-0.007	-0.042	0.07
1501	6.37E+06	-104.9	-37.1	-0.18822	0.58319	3.1723				

1504	6.37E+06	-100	-37.5	-0.44159	0.58169	3.5464	0.02238	-0.043	-0.193	0.20
1505	6.37E+06	-100	-37.6	-0.41921	0.53838	3.3536				
1508	6.37E+06	-95	-38.1	-0.59968	0.49003	3.6037	-0.0453	0.0351	0.181	0.19
1509	6.37E+06	-95	-38	-0.64498	0.52514	3.7851				
1510	6.37E+06	-92	-38	-0.88893	0.50555	4.0058	0.05898	-0.044	-0.159	0.18
1511	6.37E+06	-92	-38.1	-0.82995	0.46165	3.8467				
1514	6.37E+06	-87	-40	-0.74468	0.46652	3.9126	-0.0028	0.0066	0.064	0.06
1515	6.37E+06	-86.9	-40	-0.74743	0.47309	3.9762				
1543	6.37E+06	-16	-37	-0.66713	-0.52278	2.5586	-0.0076	0.0481	-0.023	0.05
1544	6.37E+06	-15.9	-37	-0.67473	-0.47472	2.5355				
1545	6.37E+06	-16	-40	-0.42171	-0.45766	2.0467	-0.005	0.0385	-0.004	0.04
1546	6.37E+06	-15.9	-40	-0.42671	-0.41913	2.0428				
1571	6.37E+06	45	-40	-0.29871	-0.63154	1.7054	0.00213	0.0234	-0.013	0.03
1572	6.37E+06	45.1	-40	-0.29658	-0.60817	1.692				
1574	6.37E+06	50	-36.1	-0.4382	-0.72944	1.92	-0.0176	-0.008	0.084	0.09
1575	6.37E+06	50	-36	-0.45576	-0.73769	2.0036				
1576	6.37E+06	55	-33	-0.4017	-0.74952	2.091	0.00064	0.0236	-0.074	0.08
1577	6.37E+06	55	-33.1	-0.40106	-0.7259	2.017				
1585	6.37E+06	77	-35	-0.28422	-0.12663	1.2814	0.00573	0.0189	0.017	0.03
1586	6.37E+06	77.1	-35	-0.27849	-0.10774	1.298				
1588	6.37E+06	78.5	-40	-0.11627	-0.09774	0.80861	-0.0013	0.0098	0.003	0.01
1589	6.37E+06	78.6	-40	-0.11761	-0.087959	0.81184				
1596	6.37E+06	95	-43	-0.10996	-0.059966	0.74862	0.0003	0.0019	-0.039	0.04
1597	6.37E+06	95	-43.1	-0.10966	-0.058108	0.70996				
1600	6.37E+06	100	-44.1	-0.13362	-0.05219	0.64932	-0.0019	-0.002	0.032	0.03
1601	6.37E+06	100	-44	-0.13554	-0.054346	0.68104				
1602	6.37E+06	105	-45	-0.16364	-0.044648	0.6861	0.00585	0.0045	-0.04	0.04
1603	6.37E+06	105	-45.1	-0.15779	-0.040176	0.64614				
1608	6.37E+06	110	-46.1	-0.12675	-0.026938	0.55802	-0.0068	-0.002	0.031	0.03
1607	6.37E+06	110	-46	-0.13355	-0.028885	0.58877				
1609	6.37E+06	118	-48	-0.044632	-0.005992	0.43905	0.00082	0.0005	-0.025	0.03
1610	6.37E+06	117.9	-48.1	-0.043811	-0.005445	0.41386				
1613	6.37E+06	120	-48.1	-0.039808	-0.000898	0.40441	-0.0041	0.0006	0.023	0.02
1614	6.37E+06	120	-48	-0.043913	-0.000343	0.42693				
1617	6.37E+06	125	-48.3	-0.051489	0.013578	0.42915	0.00289	-2E-04	-0.029	0.03
1618	6.37E+06	125	-48.4	-0.048601	0.013419	0.40005				
1621	6.37E+06	130	-48.7	-0.051925	0.029264	0.39384	-0.0029	0.0006	0.029	0.03
1622	6.37E+06	130	-48.6	-0.054776	0.02989	0.4231				
1625	6.37E+06	135	-48.8	-0.062762	0.04922	0.42624	0.00358	-0.001	-0.03	0.03
1626	6.37E+06	135	-48.9	-0.059184	0.047873	0.3965				
1628	6.37E+06	141	-50	-0.047121	0.082841	0.37669	0.00043	0.0038	0.008	0.01
1629	6.37E+06	141.1	-50	-0.04669	0.086595	0.38459				
1630	6.37E+06	140	-49.1	-0.07784	0.073286	0.39522	-0.0057	-5E-04	0.028	0.03
1631	6.37E+06	140.1	-49	-0.083558	0.072798	0.42342				
1674	6.37E+06	-115	-50	-0.21927	0.11375	1.162	-0.0008	0.0104	-0.008	0.01
1675	6.37E+06	-114.9	-50	-0.22002	0.12412	1.1543				
1677	6.37E+06	-110	-44.1	-0.25883	0.27861	1.8497	-0.0069	-0.009	0.029	0.03
1678	6.37E+06	-110	-44	-0.26569	0.26966	1.8787				
1691	6.37E+06	-80	-44.1	-0.4664	0.32643	3.2047	-0.0117	-0.018	0.147	0.15
1692	6.37E+06	-80	-44	-0.47811	0.30795	3.3516				

1693	6.37E+06	-75.9	-46	-0.78815	0.26292	3.1263	0.03101	0.0016	-0.049	0.06
1694	6.37E+06	-7.6	-46.1	-0.75714	0.26451	3.0769				
1720	6.37E+06	-15	-45.1	-0.35584	-0.32083	1.4357	0.00498	0.0359	0.017	0.04
1721	6.37E+06	-14.9	-45	-0.35086	-0.28493	1.4525				
1724	6.37E+06	-10	-48.1	-0.15565	-0.15534	1.0378	-0.0038	-0.02	0.044	0.05
1725	6.37E+06	-10	-48	-0.15944	-0.17496	1.0816				
1728	6.37E+06	-6.9	-50	-0.19506	-0.12815	0.94802	0.00584	0.0193	-0.073	0.08
1729	6.37E+06	-7	-50	-0.18922	-0.10886	0.87465				
1742	6.37E+06	30	-50	-0.13221	-0.24419	1.0349	0.00348	-0.004	-0.041	0.04
1743	6.37E+06	30.1	-50	-0.12873	-0.24776	0.99354				
1745	6.37E+06	35	-46.1	-0.2677	-0.39593	1.3141	-0.0143	0.0056	0.059	0.06
1746	6.37E+06	35	-46	-0.28196	-0.39031	1.3728				
1748	6.37E+06	40	-43	-0.27685	-0.51862	1.5585	0.00307	0.0097	-0.061	0.06
1749	6.37E+06	40	-43.1	-0.27378	-0.50888	1.4979				
1768	6.37E+06	79	-42.1	-0.086422	-0.09368	0.67771	-0.0035	-0.002	0.023	0.02
1767	6.37E+06	79.1	-42	-0.089896	-0.096143	0.70068				
1772	6.37E+06	85	-42.1	-0.081058	-0.065065	0.69421	-0.0034	0.0046	0.031	0.03
1773	6.37E+06	85	-42	-0.084441	-0.060475	0.72519				
1774	6.37E+06	88	-41.5	-0.11408	-0.05789	0.8664	0.00718	-0.005	-0.036	0.04
1775	6.37E+06	88	-41.6	-0.1069	-0.063339	0.75105				
1801	6.37E+06	150	-54	-0.082089	0.13255	0.34563	-0.0023	0.0112	0.019	0.02
1802	6.37E+06	150.1	-53.9	-0.084345	0.14373	0.36449				
1804	6.37E+06	145	-52.5	-0.050874	0.11268	0.34453	-0.0001	-0.007	-0.016	0.02
1805	6.37E+06	152.1	-59	-0.058472	0.12734	0.26845	4.3E-05	-0.01	-0.013	0.02
1806	6.37E+06	152	-59.1	-0.058429	0.11696	0.25512				
1807	6.37E+06	159.8	-60	-0.059796	0.13223	0.31688	-0.0004	0.0039	0.006	0.01
1808	6.37E+06	160	-60	-0.06022	0.13613	0.32285				
1829	6.37E+06	-155	-60	-0.062927	-0.023757	0.51211	-0.0004	0.0009	-0.008	0.01
1830	6.37E+06	-154.9	-60	-0.063306	-0.022816	0.50403				
1833	6.37E+06	-150	-58	-0.045649	0.0019088	0.55559	0.00147	0.0064	-0.024	0.02
1834	6.37E+06	-150	-58.1	-0.044181	0.0083516	0.53204				
1837	6.37E+06	-144.9	-56.1	-0.1005	0.042097	0.5993	0.00193	-0.003	0.023	0.02
1838	6.37E+06	-145	-56	-0.098572	0.03921	0.62253				
1841	6.37E+06	-140	-56	-0.091743	0.064822	0.61248	-0.0007	-0.003	-0.016	0.02
1842	6.37E+06	-140	-56.1	-0.092424	0.062127	0.59689				
1845	6.37E+06	-135	-55.6	-0.086574	0.08261	0.63342	-0.0007	0.0054	0.019	0.02
1846	6.37E+06	-135	-55.5	-0.087231	0.088012	0.6526				
1848	6.37E+06	-130	-55.5	-0.12559	0.10029	0.69359	0.00584	-0.005	-0.023	0.02
1849	6.37E+06	-130	-55.6	-0.11995	0.095652	0.67085				
1852	6.37E+06	-125	-55.6	-0.16109	0.10533	0.69629	-0.0036	0.0032	0.023	0.02
1853	6.37E+06	-125	-55.5	-0.16472	0.10853	0.7197				
1854	6.37E+06	-120	-55	-0.16723	0.11821	0.77824	0.003	0.0145	-0.027	0.03
1855	6.37E+06	-119.9	-55.1	-0.16423	0.13272	0.75163				
1882	6.37E+06	-60	-60	-0.23117	-0.11222	1.1051	0.16477	-0.049	-0.601	0.63
1900	6.37E+06	-10	-57	-0.086397	-0.16119	0.50362				
1903	6.37E+06	-5	-55	-0.046452	-0.1239	0.56253	-0.0028	0.0075	-0.025	0.03
1904	6.37E+06	-5	-55.1	-0.049285	-0.11645	0.5379				
1907	6.37E+06	0	-54.2	-0.077809	-0.087415	0.60343	0.01564	-0.002	0.02	0.03
1908	6.37E+06	-0.1	-54.1	-0.082166	-0.089121	0.6238				
1909	6.37E+06	0	-54	-0.082204	-0.07954	0.64854	-0.0166	-0.007	-0.033	0.04

1910	6.37E+06	0.1	-54.1	-0.084824	-0.086903	0.61529				
1911	6.37E+06	5	-53	-0.20807	-0.090884	0.76385	-0.0073	-0.007	-0.013	0.02
1912	6.37E+06	5	-53.1	-0.21533	-0.097513	0.7506				
1916	6.37E+06	10	-53.1	-0.1525	-0.097113	0.78606	0.00515	0.004	0.014	0.02
1917	6.37E+06	10	-53	-0.14735	-0.093112	0.80051				
1918	6.37E+06	15	-52	-0.14454	-0.10359	0.88443	-0.0078	0.0023	-0.021	0.02
1919	6.37E+06	15	-52.1	-0.15229	-0.10128	0.86377				
1922	6.37E+06	20	-52.6	-0.16212	-0.10997	0.8346	0.00297	-0.005	0.025	0.03
1923	6.37E+06	20	-52.5	-0.15915	-0.11478	0.85918				
1924	6.37E+06	26	-53	-0.13601	-0.1532	0.81683	-0.0054	0.0132	-0.047	0.05
1925	6.37E+06	26	-53.1	-0.14143	-0.14005	0.76953				
1953	6.37E+06	145	-52.6	-0.050992	0.10551	0.32897				
1956	6.37E+06	-16.9	-59.1	-0.054993	-0.18347	0.48317	-0.0011	-0.004	0.009	0.01
1957	6.37E+06	-17	-59	-0.056138	-0.18771	0.49202				
1959	6.37E+06	-14	-58	-0.031352	-0.17771	0.49221	0.00498	0.0106	-0.021	0.02
1960	6.37E+06	-14	-58.1	-0.026372	-0.16714	0.47104				
1963	6.37E+06	-10	-57.1	-0.063671	-0.1489	0.48189	0.01888	0.2767	-0.149	0.31
1981	6.37E+06	165	-61.5	-0.04479	0.12784	0.33273				
1987	6.37E+06	170	-62.1	-0.035946	0.10672	0.40044	-4E-05	0.0206	0.014	0.02
1988	6.37E+06	170	-62	-0.035983	0.1273	0.41417				
1989	6.37E+06	180	-63	-0.24133	-0.032873	0.68778	-0.0033	-0.008	-0.004	0.01
1990	6.37E+06	180	-63.1	-0.24462	-0.040412	0.6837				
1995	6.37E+06	-173	-64.1	-0.3806	-0.096345	0.72684	0.00442	0.0113	0.008	0.01
1996	6.37E+06	-173	-64	-0.37618	-0.085077	0.73519				
1997	6.37E+06	-165	-62.5	-0.033984	-0.055731	0.5211	-0.0019	-0.007	-0.013	0.01
1998	6.37E+06	-165	-62.6	-0.035841	-0.0622	0.50847				
1999	6.37E+06	-160	-61	-0.054765	-0.024413	0.51194	-0.0009	0.0002	-0.015	0.01
2000	6.37E+06	-160	-61.1	-0.055703	-0.024229	0.49739				

Appendix II

Node Coordinates of the discretized finite elements.

Node#	Z-Coord. (m)	X-Coord. (degree)	Y-Coord. (degree)								
1	6371000	0	90	68	6371000	353	58	133	6371000	110	50
2	6371000	350	83.5	69	6371000	24	71	134	6371000	110	55
3	6371000	350.1	83.5	70	6371000	15	67	135	6371000	110	60
4	6371000	355	83.5	71	6371000	4	60.5	136	6371000	100	60
5	6371000	60	85	72	6371000	30	65	137	6371000	100	55
6	6371000	110	85	73	6371000	46	67.5	138	6371000	100	50
7	6371000	170	85	74	6371000	44	65	139	6371000	90	50
8	6371000	230	85	75	6371000	58.5	69	140	6371000	80	50
9	6371000	270	85	76	6371000	60	65	141	6371000	80	55
10	6371000	325	85	77	6371000	90	70	142	6371000	80	60
11	6371000	341	82	78	6371000	80	68	143	6371000	70	60
12	6371000	345	83	79	6371000	74	65	144	6371000	70	55
13	6371000	10	77.6	80	6371000	90	65	145	6371000	70	50
14	6371000	10.1	77.7	81	6371000	110	70	146	6371000	60	50
15	6371000	15	78	82	6371000	100	65	147	6371000	60	55
16	6371000	60	80	83	6371000	120	65	148	6371000	60	60
17	6371000	93	80	84	6371000	140	70	149	6371000	50	60
18	6371000	110	79	85	6371000	140	65	150	6371000	50	55
19	6371000	168	78	86	6371000	160	65	151	6371000	50	50
20	6371000	238	81	87	6371000	180	64	152	6371000	40	60
21	6371000	288	80	88	6371000	197	60.5	153	6371000	40	55
22	6371000	339	76.5	89	6371000	212	61	154	6371000	40	50
23	6371000	1	77	90	6371000	223	60	155	6371000	30	50
24	6371000	9	75.4	91	6371000	230	60	156	6371000	30	55
25	6371000	9.1	75.4	92	6371000	240	68.5	157	6371000	30	60
26	6371000	15	75.3	93	6371000	240	60	158	6371000	20	60
27	6371000	58	70.5	94	6371000	250	60	159	6371000	20	55
28	6371000	80	75	95	6371000	260	60	160	6371000	20	50
29	6371000	116	76	96	6371000	270	60	161	6371000	10	50
30	6371000	170	70	97	6371000	290	67	162	6371000	10	55
31	6371000	175	70.5	98	6371000	280	60	163	6371000	10	60
32	6371000	190	75	99	6371000	297	60	164	6371000	5	55
33	6371000	189	66.5	100	6371000	300	55	165	6371000	0	50
34	6371000	193	65	101	6371000	290	60	166	6371000	357	55
35	6371000	195	68	102	6371000	290	55	167	6371000	350	50
36	6371000	203	74.5	103	6371000	280	55	168	6371000	350	55
37	6371000	203	72	104	6371000	270	55	169	6371000	339	50
38	6371000	218	72.5	105	6371000	260	55	170	6371000	332.1	49.1
39	6371000	215	70	106	6371000	250	55	171	6371000	332	49
40	6371000	231	72.5	107	6371000	240	55	172	6371000	320	45
41	6371000	230	69.5	108	6371000	231.2	54.3	173	6371000	311	42
42	6371000	258	68.5	109	6371000	231	54.5	174	6371000	305	50
43	6371000	281	73	110	6371000	229	56	175	6371000	300	50
44	6371000	300	69.5	111	6371000	220	56.5	176	6371000	290	50
45	6371000	312	59	112	6371000	210	56	177	6371000	280	50
46	6371000	338	71.5	113	6371000	200.5	56	178	6371000	270	50
47	6371000	359	75.5	114	6371000	190	55	179	6371000	260	50
48	6371000	347	72.5	115	6371000	180	60	180	6371000	250	50
49	6371000	336	68	116	6371000	180	53	181	6371000	240	50
50	6371000	323	62	117	6371000	167	58.5	182	6371000	235	50
51	6371000	311	52	118	6371000	170	50	183	6371000	230.6	50
52	6371000	351	72	119	6371000	158	58	184	6371000	230.5	50
55	6371000	325	55	120	6371000	158	54	185	6371000	220	54
56	6371000	351.1	71.9	121	6371000	160	49	186	6371000	220	50
59	6371000	325.1	55	122	6371000	149	60.5	187	6371000	210	53
60	6371000	357	72	123	6371000	140	60	188	6371000	210	50
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F2017	6371000	270	-75	F2082	6371000	210	-80				

Appendix III

Discretized Elements with Crustal Thickness and Ice Load (Presented in thickness (m)).

1) There are 15 groups and the elements are independently numbered in each group.

2) The elements include triangles (3 nodes) and quadrilaterals (4 nodes). In the triangle element entries the digits from the fifth columns should be moved forward to refer to their meanings. Abbreviations in the table are explained below:

Nod#/crust, node number or crustal thickness in this column;

matrl/grad, the elastic properties in material mechanical classification;

crust/thics, crustal thickness;

ice/thics, mean ice sheet thickness in the element.

3) The crustal thicknesses were converted to lithospheric thicknesses during calculation, as exemplified in the following.

e.g.,

2.5 km → 20 km

5.0 km → 35 km

20 km → 70 km

35 km → 105 km.

22	69	26	62.00	67	2.00E+04				
23	62	63	64.00	70	1	2.00E+04			
24	69	62	67.00	68	1	2.00E+04	1.00E+03		
25	67	64	65.00	71	1	2.00E+04			
26	70	67	68.00	1	1	2.00E+04	1.50E+03		
27	68	65	66.00	72	2.00E+04				
28	73	69	70.00	1	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03		
29	73	72	74.00	76	3.50E+04	2.20E+03			
30	75	73	74.00	1	1	3.50E+04	2.00E+03		
31	28	27	77.00	78	3.50E+04	2.50E+03			
32	77	27	75.00	79	1	3.50E+04	2.00E+03		
33	78	75	76.00	81	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03		
34	29	28	77.00	80	1	3.50E+04	1.60E+03		
35	77	78	79.00	82	1	3.50E+04	1.00E+03		
36	81	77	80.00	1	1	3.50E+04	1.50E+03		
37	29	81	84.00	1	3.50E+04				
38	81	82	83.00	85	3.50E+04				
39	84	81	83.00	1	1	3.50E+04			
40	29	84	30.00	86	3.50E+04				
41	30	84	85.00	87	1	3.50E+04			
42	33	30	86.00	1	1	3.50E+04			
43	31	30	33.00	1	3.50E+04				
44	33	87	34.00	1	2.00E+04				
45	34	87	88.00	89	2.00E+04				
46	37	35	34.00	1	1	3.50E+04			
47	34	88	89.00	90	3.50E+04				
48	39	37	89.00	91	1	3.50E+04			
49	41	39	90.00	42	1	3.50E+04	1.00E+03		
50	40	41	92.00	93	1	2.00E+04	5.00E+02		
51	92	41	91.00	94	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03		
52	42	92	93.00	1	1	3.50E+04	3.50E+03		
53	42	94	95.00	96	3.50E+04	4.00E+03			
54	43	42	95.00	98	1	3.50E+04	4.00E+03		
55	97	43	96.00	1	1	3.50E+04	3.70E+03		
56	97	98	101.00	99	3.50E+04	4.00E+03			
57	45	44	97.00	1	1	2.00E+04	5.00E+02		
58	97	101	98.00	51	3.50E+04	2.00E+03			
59	45	98	100.00	1	1	2.00E+04			
60	51	100	174.00	1	2.00E+04	1.50E+03			
61	100	175	174.00	102	3.50E+04	2.00E+03			
62	100	99	101.00	175	1	3.50E+04	2.00E+03		

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66	98	96	104.00	176	1	3.50E+04	4.60E+03		
67	103	104	178.00	104	1	3.50E+04	4.10E+03		
68	96	95	105.00	178	1	3.50E+04	4.50E+03		
69	104	105	179.00	105	1	3.50E+04	4.00E+03		
70	95	94	106.00	179	1	3.50E+04	4.20E+03		
71	105	106	180.00	106	1	3.50E+04	3.20E+03		
72	94	93	107.00	180	1	3.50E+04	3.50E+03		
73	106	107	181.00	107	1	3.50E+04	3.00E+03		
74	93	91	110.00	1	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03		
75	107	110	109.00	181	3.50E+04	2.50E+03			
76	107	109	108.00	1	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03		
77	181	108	182.00	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03			
78	108	183	182.00	183	5.00E+03				
79	108	109	184.00	1	1	2.50E+03			
80	91	90	110.00	1	3.50E+04				
81	90	111	110.00	109	2.00E+04				
82	110	111	185.00	184	1	5.00E+03			
83	108	185	186.00	111	1	5.00E+03			
84	90	89	112.00	185	1	2.00E+04			
85	111	112	187.00	186	1	5.00E+03			
86	185	187	188.00	1	1	5.00E+03			
87	89	88	113.00	1	3.50E+04				
88	89	113	112.00	187	2.00E+04				
89	111	113	189.00	188	1	5.00E+03			
90	137	189	190.00	88	1	5.00E+03			
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92	88	115	114.00	189	1	2.00E+04			
93	113	114	191.00	190	1	5.00E+03			
94	189	191	192.00	1	1	5.00E+03			
95	87	86	117.00	1	3.50E+04				
96	87	117	115.00	116	2.00E+04				
97	115	117	118.00	1	1	2.00E+04			
98	114	115	116.00	191	2.00E+04				
99	114	116	193.00	1	1	5.00E+03			
100	191	193	192.00	1	5.00E+03				
101	116	118	193.00	117	5.00E+03				
102	86	122	119.00	118	1	3.50E+04			
103	117	119	120.00	1	1	2.00E+04			

104	118	120	121.00	122	2 00E+04		
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106	122	123	124.00	125	3 50E+04		
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153	162	164	165.00	164	1	3 50E+04	5 00E+02
154	71	68	166.00	165	1	2 00E+04	1 80E+03
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156	68	168	167.00	168	1	2 00E+04	1 30E+03
157	68	65	66.00	168	1	2 00E+04	
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1 21E+11	0 258			1			
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3	138	199	202.00	201	3 50E+04		
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7	133	203	206.00	205	3 50E+04		
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21	218	215	216.00	1	1	5.00E+03	
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27	223	222	221.00	1	1	5.00E+03	
28	118	223	226.00	225	5.00E+03		
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34	192	193	230.00	232	1	5.00E+03	
35	231	230	229.00	1	1	5.00E+03	
36	192	231	234.00	233	5.00E+03		
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38	190	192	234.00	236	1	5.00E+03	
39	235	234	233.00	1	1	5.00E+03	
40	190	235	237.00	238	5.00E+03		
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42	188	190	237.00	239	1	5.00E+03	
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53	183	184	247.00	252	1	5.00E+03	
54	251	247	250.00	253	1	2.50E+03	
55	252	250	249.00	1	1	2.50E+03	
56	182	183	251.00	255	5.00E+03		
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68	264	263	262.00	1	1	3.50E+04	
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74	270	268	269.00	273	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03
75	177	178	270.00	272	1	3.50E+04	3.50E+03
76	273	270	271.00	1	1	3.50E+04	2.50E+03
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144	335	332	333.00	1	1	3 50E+04
145	139	335	197.00	198	3 50E+04	
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21	214	213	354.00	356	1	5 00E+03
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24	358	357	356.00	361	1	5 00E+03
25	217	216	358.00	360	1	5 00E+03
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20	355	352	499.00	501	1	5 00E+03
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112	437	434	438.00	440	2 00E+04	
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116	298	295	440.00	442	1	2 00E+04
117	441	440	439.00	1	1	2 00E+04
118	442	439	443.00	446	3 50E+04	
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123	305	302	447.00	447	2 00E+04	
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125	447	445	444.00	1	1	3 50E+04
126	306	447	450.00	1	2 00E+04	
127	450	447	449.00	1	2 00E+04	
128	449	447	448.00	451	3 50E+04	
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131	450	449	453.00	1	2 00E+04	
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135	310	309	455.00	456	3 50E+04	
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137	456	455	454.00	458	1	2 00E+04
138	457	454	460.00	462	1	5 00E+03
139	314	313	456.00	461	1	3 50E+04
140	462	456	457.00	1	1	2 00E+04
141	317	314	462.00	1	3 50E+04	
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143	318	317	462.00	1	1	3 50E+04
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147	467	463	464.00	468	1	3 50E+04
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149	468	467	466.00	471	1	3 50E+04
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66	546	543	544.00	548	1	5 00E+03
67	389	388	547.00	1	1	3 50E+04
68	548	547	546.00	550	5 00E+03	
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72	549	548	550.00	1	1	2 50E+03
73	549	551	552.00	555	5 00E+03	
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77	557	556	555.00	559	1	2 00E+04
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79	406	403	557.00	560	3 50E+04	
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87	413	410	564.00	1	2 00E+04	
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92	417	414	568.00	570	1	5 00E+03
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98	422	421	575.00	577	1	5 00E+03
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103	580	579	578.00	1	1	2 50E+03

22	356	355	502.00	504	1	5 00E+03
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24	359	356	503.00	505	1	5 00E+03
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62	395	394	542.00	544	1	5 00E+03

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146	465	459	616 00	619		1	3 50E+04
147	620	616	618 00		1		3 50E+04
148	465	620	621 00	622	3 50E+04		
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150	621	622	623 00	621	3 50E+04		
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153	469	466	624 00	625	3 50E+04		
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155	625	624	623 00	628		1	2 00E+04
156	473	470	625 00	627		1	3 50E+04
157	628	625	626 00	629		1	2 00E+04
158	474	473	628 00		1		3 50E+04
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161	630	629	627 00	632		1	3 50E+04
162	478	477	630 00	633		1	3 50E+04
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168	634	633	635 00	482	2 00E+04		
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1 21E+11	3 258			1			
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1	485	483	637 00	641		1	3 50E+04
2	640	637	639 00	1		1	3 50E+04
3	637	638	639 00	642	2 00E+04		
4	487	485	640 00	643		1	3 50E+04
5	642	640	641 00		1		3 50E+04
6	643	641	644 00	643	2 00E+04		
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8	490	489	643 00	645	2 00E+04		

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105	593	580	581 00	583		1	5 00E+03
106	428	427	426 00	1		1	5 00E+03
107	428	583	584 00	585	5 00E+03		
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143	461	457	615 00	1		1	3 50E+04
144	459	615	616 00	1	3 50E+04		

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73	559	554	710.00	706	2.00E+04		
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77	562	559	710.00	712	1	2.00E+04	
78	711	710	709.00	1	1	3.50E+04	
79	712	709	708.00	714	5.00E+03		
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81	714	711	712.00	715	1	3.50E+04	
82	566	565	714.00	1	1	2.00E+04	
83	715	714	713.00	1	3.50E+04		
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87	718	717	716.00	719	2.00E+04		
88	573	570	718.00	720	1	5.00E+03	
89	719	718	716.00	1	1	2.00E+04	
90	719	720	721.00	723	2.00E+04		

9	490	643	644.00	1	1	2.00E+04	
10	491	490	646.00	647	5.00E+03		
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17	653	650	651.00	654	1	5.00E+03	
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19	654	653	652.00	657	1	5.00E+03	
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22	505	504	657.00	659	1	5.00E+03	
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27	662	661	660.00	665	1	5.00E+03	
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44	528	525	678.00	680	1	5.00E+03	
45	681	678	679.00	682	1	5.00E+03	
46	529	528	681.00	683	1	5.00E+03	
47	682	681	680.00	685	1	5.00E+03	
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139	612	611	772.00	766	1	5 00E+03
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143	618	617	770.00	768	1	5 00E+03
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147	774	768	767.00	776	1	5 00E+03
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153	783	774	775.00	781	1	5 00E+03
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155	781	776	777.00	779	1	5 00E+03
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161	786	785	789.00	1	5 00E+03	
162	626	623	783.00	787	2 00E+04	
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92	723	719	722.00	1	5 00E+03	
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94	577	574	723.00	725	1	5 00E+03
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97	727	724	725.00	1	1	5 00E+03
98	727	726	731.00	1	5 00E+03	
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27	663	660	824 00	826	1	5 00E+03
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29	664	663	827 00	829	1	5 00E+03
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31	667	664	828 00	830	1	5 00E+03
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39	675	672	836 00	838	1	5 00E+03
40	839	836	837 00	840	1	5 00E+03
41	676	675	839 00	841	1	5 00E+03
42	840	839	838 00	843	1	5 00E+03
43	679	676	840 00	842	1	5 00E+03
44	843	840	841 00	844	1	5 00E+03
45	680	679	843 00	845	1	5 00E+03
46	844	843	842 00	847	1	5 00E+03
47	683	680	844 00	846	1	5 00E+03
48	847	844	845 00	848	1	5 00E+03
49	684	683	847 00	849	1	5 00E+03
50	848	847	846 00	851	1	5 00E+03
51	687	684	848 00	850	1	5 00E+03
52	851	848	849 00	852	1	5 00E+03
53	688	687	851 00	853	1	5 00E+03
54	852	851	850 00	855	1	5 00E+03
55	691	688	852 00	854	1	5 00E+03
56	855	852	853 00	856	1	5 00E+03
57	692	691	855 00	857	1	5 00E+03
58	856	855	854 00	859	1	5 00E+03
59	695	692	856 00	858	1	5 00E+03
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61	696	695	859 00	861	1	5 00E+03
62	860	859	858 00	863	1	5 00E+03
63	699	696	860 00	862	1	5 00E+03
64	863	860	861 00	864	1	5 00E+03
65	700	699	863 00	865	1	5 00E+03
66	864	863	862 00	867	1	5 00E+03
67	700	864	868 00	867	5 00E+03	

173	795	793	794 00	796	3 50E+04	
174	635	633	795 00	1	1	2 00E+04
175	796	795	797 00	799	2 00E+04	
176	797	795	794 00	1	1	2 00E+04
177	635	796	637 00	798	2 00E+04	
178	637	796	797 00	1	1	2 00E+04
179	483	635	637 00	1	3 50E+04	
180	637	796	638 00	2 00E+04		
6	172	1	1 00	0		
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1	639	638	800 00	802	1	2 00E+04
2	803	800	801 00	804	1	5 00E+03
3	641	639	803 00	1	1	2 00E+04
4	804	803	805 00	2 00E+04		
5	805	803	802 00	1 00E+03		
6	644	641	804 00	1	1	2 00E+04
7	807	804	805 00	1	1	2 00E+04
8	645	644	807 00	09	1	2 00E+04
9	808	607	806 00	811	1	2 00E+04
10	647	645	808 00	810	1	5 00E+03
11	811	808	809 00	812	1	2 00E+04
12	648	647	811 00	813	1	5 00E+03
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14	651	648	812 00	814	1	5 00E+03
15	815	812	813 00	816	1	2 00E+04
16	652	651	815 00	817	1	5 00E+03
17	816	815	814 00	819	1	2 00E+04
18	655	652	816 00	818	1	5 00E+03
19	819	816	817 00	820	1	2 00E+04
20	656	655	819 00	1	1	5 00E+03
21	820	819	821 00	1	5 00E+03	
22	821	819	818 00	823	2 00E+04	
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24	823	820	821 00	824	1	5 00E+03
25	660	659	823 00	825	1	5 00E+03
26	824	823	822 00	827	1	5 00E+03

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111	907	903	908 00	905	5 00E+03		
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113	905	904	907 00	737	1	2 50E+03	
114	736	733	905 00	910	1	5 00E+03	
115	737	905	906 00	1	1	5 00E+03	
116	910	906	909 00	908	5 00E+03		
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118	741	740	737 00	1	1	2 00E+04	
119	744	741	914 00	1	3 50E+04		
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122	913	910	909 00	911	1	5 00E+03	
123	912	909	908 00	915	1	2 50E+03	
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125	915	914	913 00	918	1	2 00E+04	
126	749	748	915 00	917	1	3 50E+04	
127	918	915	916 00	919	1	2 00E+04	
128	752	749	918 00	921	1	3 50E+04	
129	919	918	917 00	920	1	2 00E+04	
130	753	752	919 00	1	1	3 50E+04	
131	920	919	921 00	923	3 50E+04		
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133	923	920	921 00	924	1	3 50E+04	
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136	760	757	924 00	926	1	3 50E+04	
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140	764	761	928 00	930	1	3 50E+04	
141	931	928	929 00	932	1	3 50E+04	
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143	932	931	930 00	935	1	3 50E+04	
144	778	765	932 00	934	1	3 50E+04	
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146	779	778	935 00	937	1	2 00E+04	
147	936	935	934 00	1	1	2 00E+04	
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68	868	864	865 00	1	1	5 00E+03	
69	867	865	866 00	869	5 00E+03		
70	703	700	868 00	870	1	2 50E+03	
71	869	868	867 00	871	1	2 50E+03	
72	870	867	866 00	1	1	2 50E+03	
73	704	703	869 00	874	5 00E+03		
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75	874	869	870 00	874	1	2 50E+03	
76	873	870	871 00	875	1	5 00E+03	
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78	875	874	873 00	877	1	2 50E+03	
79	876	873	872 00	880	1	5 00E+03	
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82	879	876	877 00	881	1	5 00E+03	
83	713	712	880 00	882	1	5 00E+03	
84	881	880	879 00	883	1	2 50E+03	
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86	715	713	881 00	884	1	3 50E+04	
87	885	881	882 00	1	1	3 50E+04	
88	884	882	883 00	886	3 50E+04		
89	716	715	885 00	887	1	3 50E+04	
90	886	885	884 00	889	1	3 50E+04	
91	720	716	886 00	888	1	3 50E+04	
92	889	886	887 00	1	1	3 50E+04	
93	721	720	890 00	891	2 00E+04		
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95	891	889	888 00	894	1	3 50E+04	
96	722	721	890 00	1	1	2 00E+04	
97	894	890	891 00	893	3 50E+04		
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99	723	722	895 00	896	5 00E+03		
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101	896	894	893 00	899	1	3 50E+04	
102	726	725	895 00	898	1	5 00E+03	
103	899	895	896 00	1	1	2 00E+04	
104	896	897	898 00	900	3 50E+04		
105	732	726	899 00	1	1	5 00E+03	
106	900	899	902 00	1	1	5 00E+03	
107	902	899	898 00	904	2 00E+04		
108	732	900	901 00	903	1	5 00E+03	

12	968	966	967.00	970	5.00E+03	
13	813	810	969.00	971		2.00E+04
14	970	969	968.00	973		2.00E+04
15	814	813	970.00	972		2.00E+04
16	973	970	971.00	974		2.00E+04
17	817	814	973.00	975		2.00E+04
18	974	973	972.00	977		2.00E+04
19	818	817	974.00	976		2.00E+04
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21	821	818	977.00	979		2.00E+04
22	978	977	976.00	1		2.00E+04
23	822	821	982.00	981	5.00E+03	
24	982	821	978.00	980		2.00E+04
25	981	978	979.00	983		2.00E+04
26	825	822	982.00	984		5.00E+03
27	983	982	981.00	985		2.00E+04
28	984	981	980.00	987		2.00E+04
29	826	825	983.00	1		5.00E+03
30	987	983	984.00	986	2.00E+04	
31	987	984	985.00	988		2.00E+04
32	829	826	987.00	1		5.00E+03
33	988	987	989.00		15.00E+03	
34	989	987	986.00	991	2.00E+04	
35	830	829	988.00	990		5.00E+03
36	991	988	993.00	992		5.00E+03
37	833	830	991.00	993		5.00E+03
38	992	991	990.00	995		5.00E+03
39	834	833	992.00	994		5.00E+03
40	995	992	993.00	996		5.00E+03
41	837	834	995.00	997		5.00E+03
42	996	995	994.00	999		5.00E+03
43	838	837	996.00	998		5.00E+03
44	999	996	997.00	1000		5.00E+03
45	841	838	999.00	1001		5.00E+03
46	1000	999	998.00	1003		5.00E+03
47	842	841	1000.00	1002		5.00E+03
48	1003	1001	1001.00	1004		5.00E+03
49	845	842	1003.00	1005		5.00E+03
50	1004	1003	1002.00	1007		5.00E+03
51	846	845	1004.00	1006		5.00E+03
52	1007	1004	1005.00	1008		5.00E+03

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151	784	779	940.00	942		5.00E+03
152	941	940	939.00	1		5.00E+03
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156	785	784	944.00	948		2.50E+03
157	945	944	947.00	946		2.50E+03
158	789	785	945.00	1		5.00E+03
159	946	945	948.00	1	5.00E+03	
160	789	946	950.00	949	5.00E+03	
161	950	946	948.00	1		5.00E+03
162	790	789	950.00	951	2.00E+04	
163	791	790	950.00	952		2.00E+04
164	951	950	949.00	954		5.00E+03
165	794	791	951.00	953		2.00E+04
166	954	951	952.00	1		5.00E+03
167	794	954	799.00	955	2.00E+04	
168	795	954	953.00	957		5.00E+03
169	798	797	799.00	956		5.00E+03
170	957	799	955.00	1		5.00E+03
171	798	957	800.00	801	5.00E+03	
172	800	957	956.00		1	5.00E+03
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1	802	801	958.00	960		5.00E+03
2	961	958	959.00	962		5.00E+03
3	805	802	961.00	963		5.00E+03
4	962	961	960.00	1		5.00E+03
5	806	805	965.00	1	2.00E+04	
6	805	962	965.00	964	5.00E+03	
7	965	962	963.00	966		5.00E+03
8	809	806	96.00	967		2.00E+04
9	966	965	964.00	969		5.00E+03
10	810	809	966.00	1		2.00E+04
11	969	966	968.00	1	2.00E+04	

94	1048	1045	1046	1049	1	3 50E+04
95	897	893	1048	1050	1	3 50E+04
96	1049	1048	1047	1052	1	3 50E+04
97	898	897	1049	1051	1	3 50E+04
98	1052	1049	1050	1053	1	3 50E+04
99	902	899	898	1054	1	2 00E+04
100	1053	898	1052	1055	1	3 50E+04
101	1054	1052	1051	1	1	3 50E+04
102	903	902	1058	1057	5 00E+03	
103	1058	902	1053	1	1	2 00E+04
104	1057	1053	1054	1056	3 50E+04	
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106	1062	907	1058	1056	1	5 00E+03
107	1059	1058	1057	1	1	2 00E+04
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110	908	907	1062	1064	1	5 00E+03
111	1063	1062	1061	1067	1	5 00E+03
112	911	908	1063	1065	1	5 00E+03
113	1067	1063	1064	1068	1	5 00E+03
114	912	911	1067	1066	1	2 50E+03
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116	913	912	1068	1070	1	5 00E+03
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119	1072	1069	1070	1073	1	5 00E+05
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122	921	917	1073	1075	1	2 00E+04
123	1076	1073	1074	1	1	2 00E+04
124	921	1076	1077	1078	2 00E+04	
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126	922	921	1080	1	1	3 50E+04
127	921	1077	1080	1079	2 00E+04	
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129	925	922	1080	1082	1	3 50E+04
130	1081	1080	1079	1084	1	3 50E+04
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132	1084	1081	1082	1085	1	3 50E+04
133	929	926	1084	1086	1	3 50E+04
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53	849	846	1007	1009	1	5 00E+03
54	1008	1007	1006	1011	1	5 00E+03
55	850	849	1008	1010	1	5 00E+03
56	1011	1008	1009	1012	1	5 00E+03
57	853	850	1011	1013	1	5 00E+03
58	1012	1011	1010	1015	1	5 00E+03
59	854	853	1012	1014	1	5 00E+03
60	1015	1012	1013	1016	1	5 00E+03
61	857	854	1015	1017	1	5 00E+03
62	1016	1015	1014	1019	1	5 00E+03
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64	1019	1016	1017	1020	1	5 00E+03
65	861	859	1019	1021	1	5 00E+03
66	1020	1019	1018	1023	1	5 00E+03
67	862	861	1020	1022	1	5 00E+03
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71	866	865	1024	1025	5 00E+03	
72	871	866	1024	1027	1	2 50E+03
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74	871	1025	1029	1028	2 50E+03	
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76	872	871	1029	1031	1	5 00E+03
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78	877	872	1030	1032	1	5 00E+03
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82	883	878	1034	1036	1	5 00E+03
83	1037	1034	1035	1	1	5 00E+03
84	1037	1036	1038	1040	5 00E+03	
85	884	883	1037	1039	1	3 50E+04
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87	887	884	1040	1042	1	3 50E+04
88	1041	1040	1039	1044	1	3 50E+04
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90	1044	1041	1042	1045	1	3 50E+04
91	892	888	1044	1046	1	3 50E+04
92	1045	1044	1043	1048	1	3 50E+04
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5	964	963	1117.00	1119	1	5 00E+03
6	1120	1117	1118.00	1121	1	5 00E+03
7	967	964	1120.00	1122	1	5 00E+03
8	1121	1120	1119.00	1	1	5 00E+03
9	968	967	1121.00	1	5 00E+03	
10	1121	1122	1123.00	1126	2.00E+04	
11	971	968	1121.00	1125	1	2 00E+04
12	1126	1121	1123.00	1	1	2 00E+04
13	1125	1123	1124.00	1127	5.00E+03	
14	971	1126	1125.00	1128	1	2 00E+04
15	1127	1125	1124.00	1129	1	3 50E+04
16	972	971	1127.00	1130	1	2 00E+04
17	1129	1127	1128.00	1	1	3 50E+04
18	975	972	1128.00	1133	2.00E+04	
19	975	1129	1132.00	1131	1	3 50E+04
20	1132	1129	1130.00	1134	1	3 50E+04
21	1133	1132	1131.00	1	1	3 50E+04
22	976	975	1133.00	1136	2.00E+04	
23	979	976	1133.00	1135	1	3 50E+04
24	1136	1133	1134.00	1137	1	3 50E+04
25	979	1136	1135.00	1	1	3 50E+04
26	1137	1135	1138.00	1	3 50E+04	
27	980	979	1137.00	1139	2.00E+04	
28	985	980	1137.00	1	1	2 00E+04
29	1139	1137	1138.00	1140	2.00E+04	
30	986	985	1138.00	1141	1	2 00E+04
31	1140	1139	1138.00	1143	1	2 00E+04
32	989	986	1140.00	1142	1	2 00E+04
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34	990	989	1143.00	1	1	5 00E+03
35	1144	1143	1145.00	1	5 00E+03	
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37	993	990	1144.00	1146	1	5 00E+03
38	1147	1144	1145.00	1148	1	5 00E+03
39	994	993	1147.00	1149	1	5 00E+03
40	1148	1147	1146.00	1151	1	5 00E+03
41	997	994	1148.00	1150	1	5 00E+03
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44	1152	1151	1150.00	1155	1	5 00E+03
45	1001	998	1152.00	1154	1	5 00E+03

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142	938	937	1092.00	1094	1	5 00E+03
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147	1098	1095	1096.00	1099	1	5 00E+03
148	943	942	1098.00	1101	1	5 00E+03
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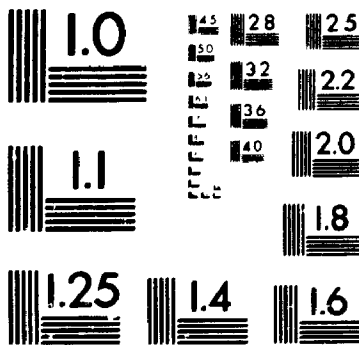
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