



Attempts of Cloud Microphysics in a GCM

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Moisture equations & Reynolds averaging

❖ Governing equations for water vapor (q)

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla)q = -C$$

• C : condensation-evaporation

❖ After Reynolds averaging (over a grid)

$$\frac{\partial \bar{q}}{\partial t} + \bar{\vec{u}} \cdot \nabla \bar{q} = - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \overline{\omega' q'}}_{\text{Sub-grid scale physics (Cloud)}} - \underbrace{\bar{C}}_{\text{Large-scale condensation}}$$

Sub-grid scale physics (Cloud) Large-scale condensation

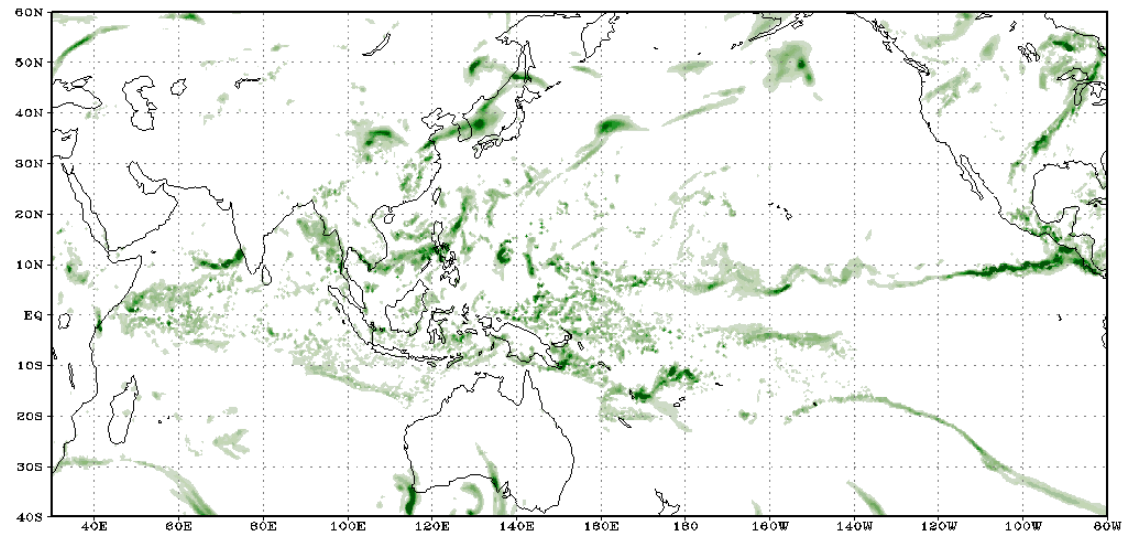
❖ Convective parameterization equation

$$\underbrace{- \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \overline{\omega' q'}} = -g \frac{\partial M_c (q_c - \bar{q})}{\partial p} - C$$

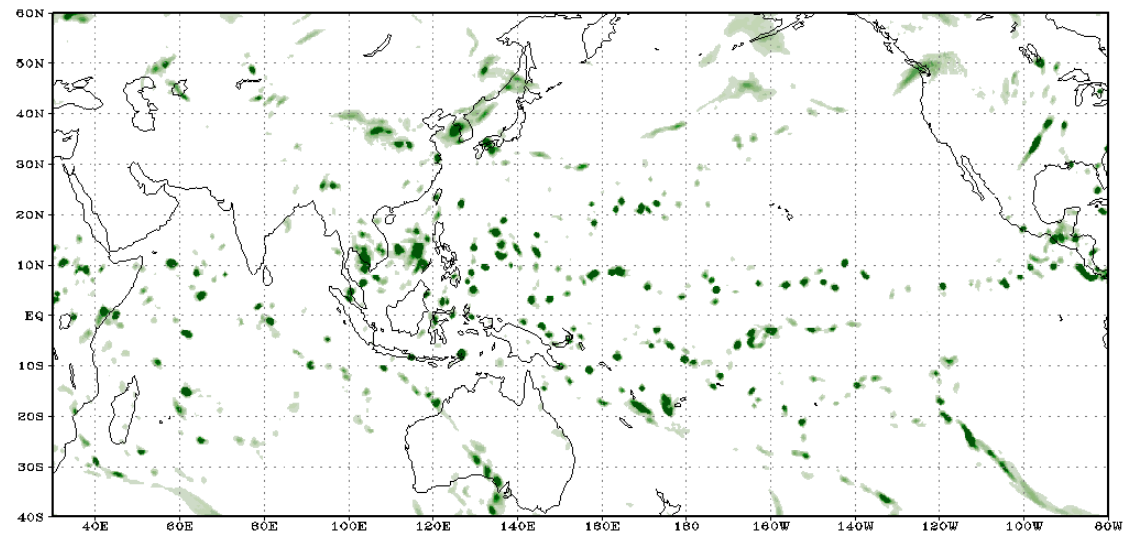
• C : convective precipitation

➤ 35km GCM simulation

Simplified RAS



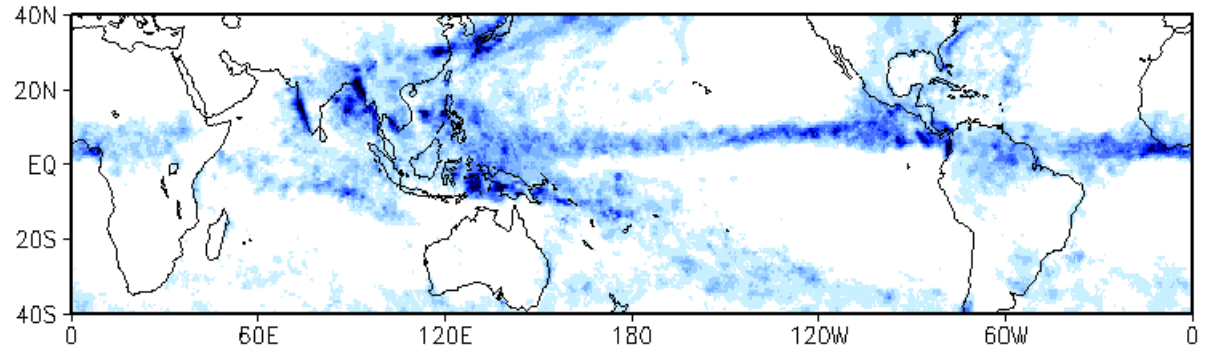
**No cumulus
parameterization**



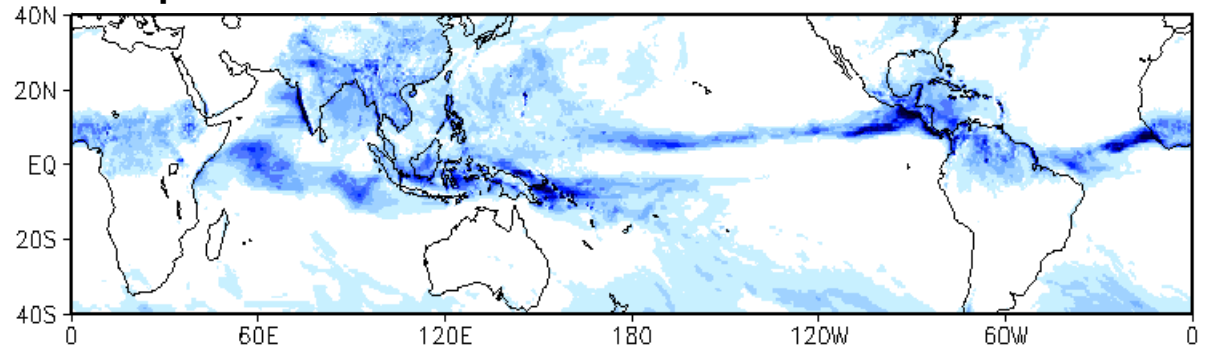
Monthly Mean

1999
June mean
precipitation

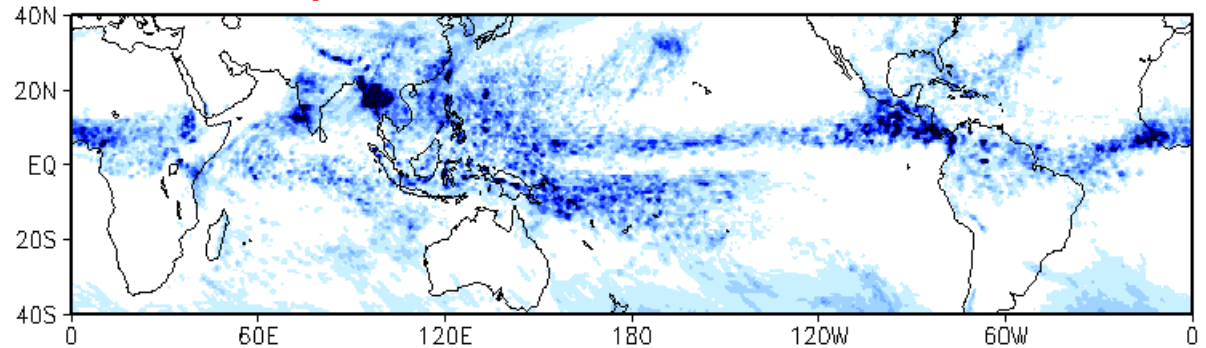
TRMM



Simplified RAS

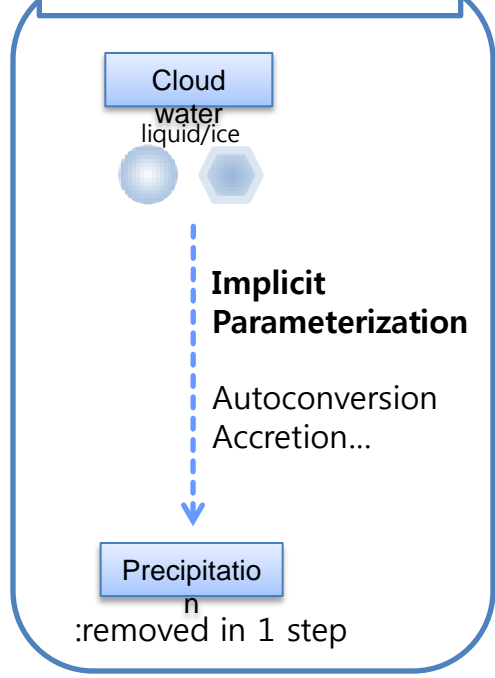


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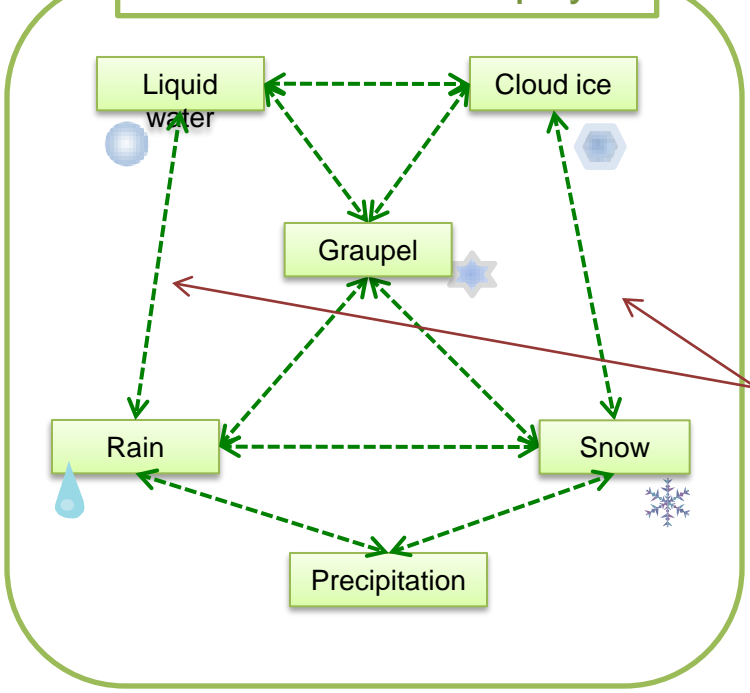


**Parameterization is still needed for O(10km) models
But not as it is in O(100km) models**

Conventional GCM



CRM Cloud Microphysics



Explicit Parameterization

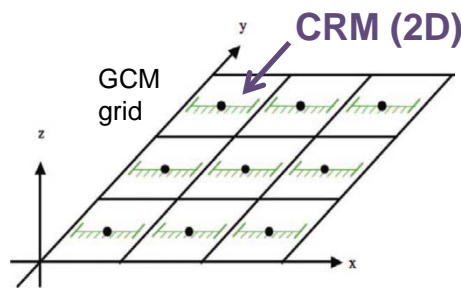


Aerosol Indirect Effect
 - **Global radiation budget change**
 → Climate change simulation
 - Regional climate impact
 → Change monsoon circulation

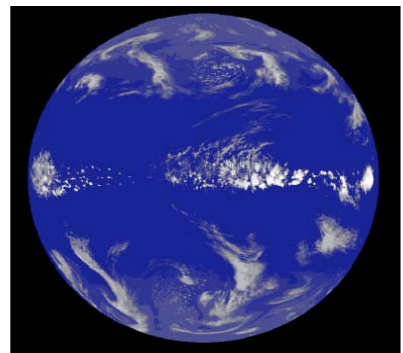
❖ Current approaches

Multi-scale Modeling Framework (Superparameterization)

Global Cloud Resolving Model



NASA/GSFC, CSU

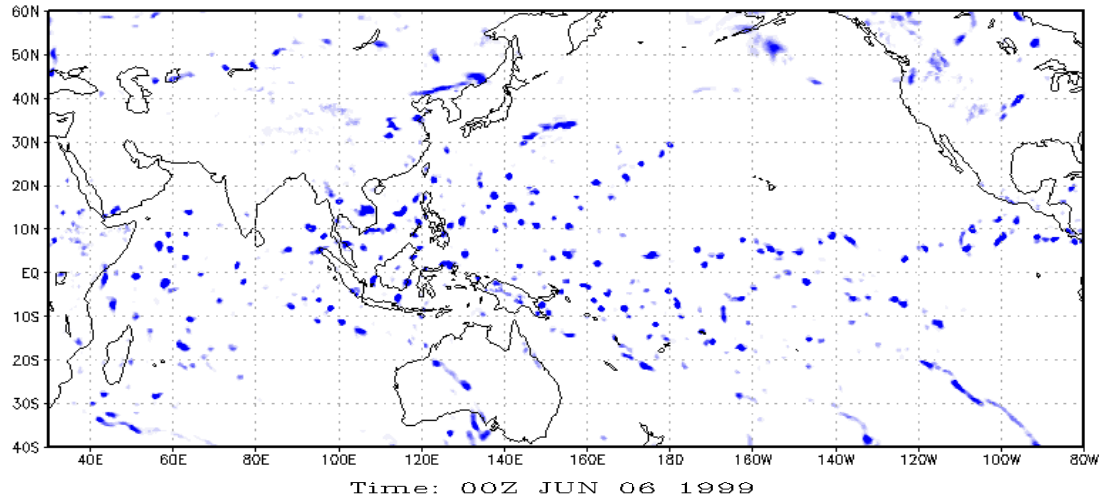


NICAM (Japan)

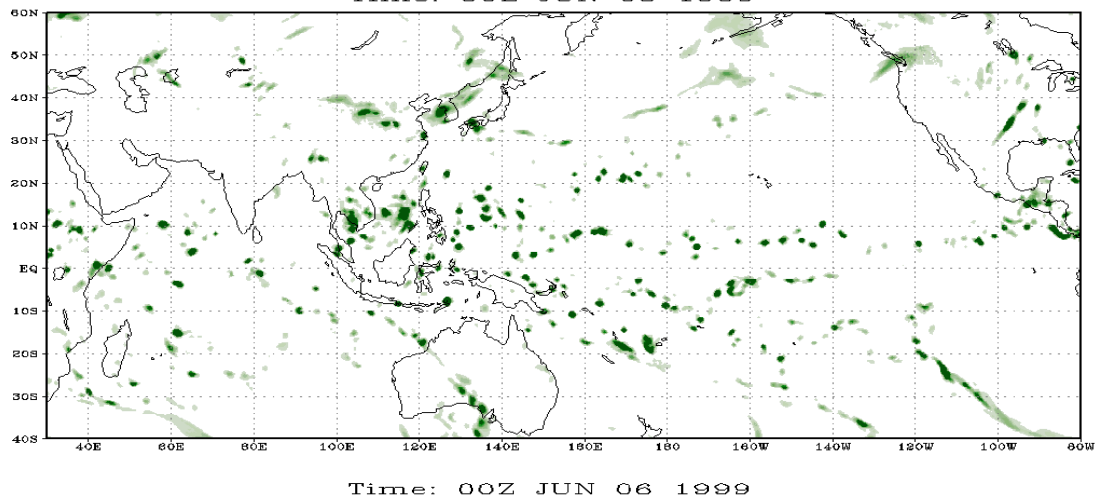
*Horizontal Resolution of CRM: **4km**

14, 7, 3.5km

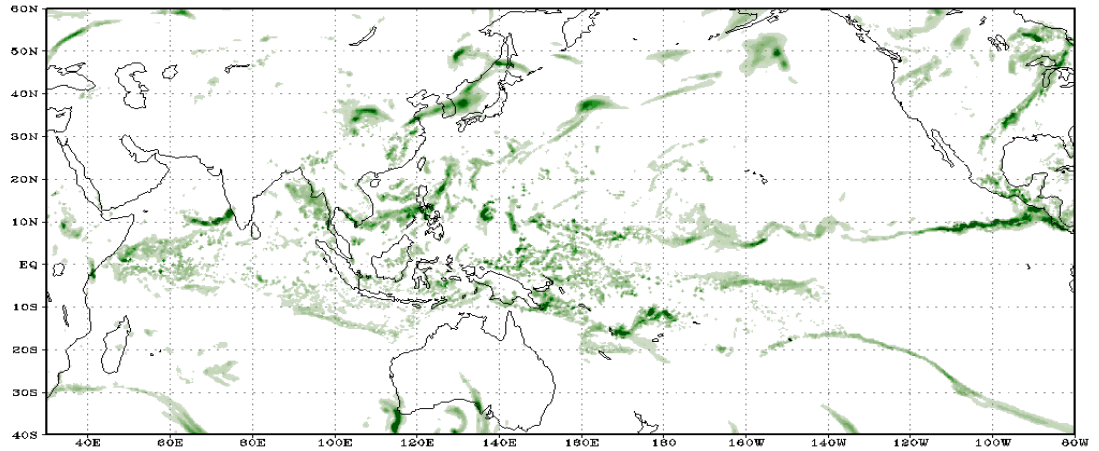
**Cloud
Microphysics**



**No cumulus
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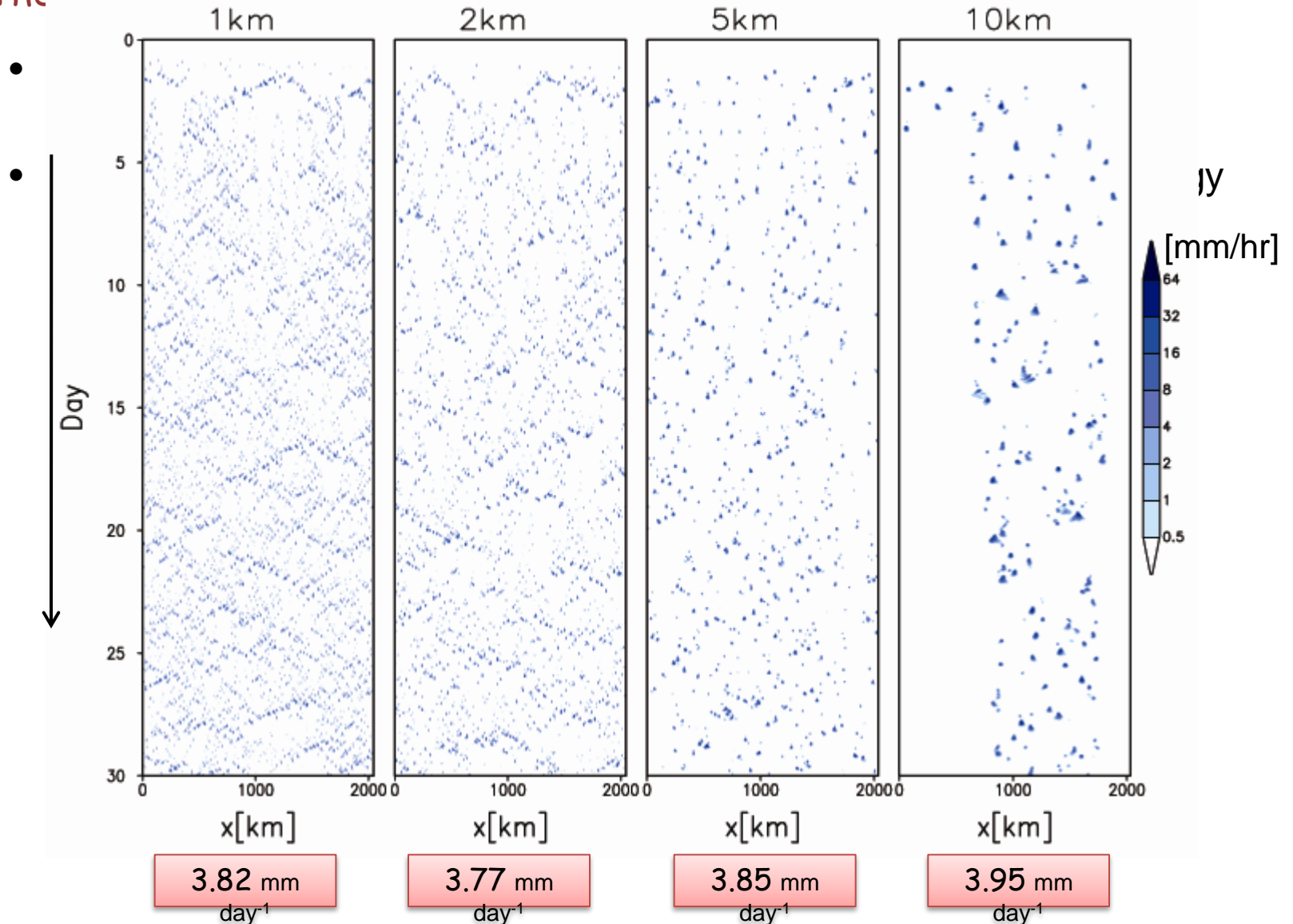
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Cloud Resolving Model

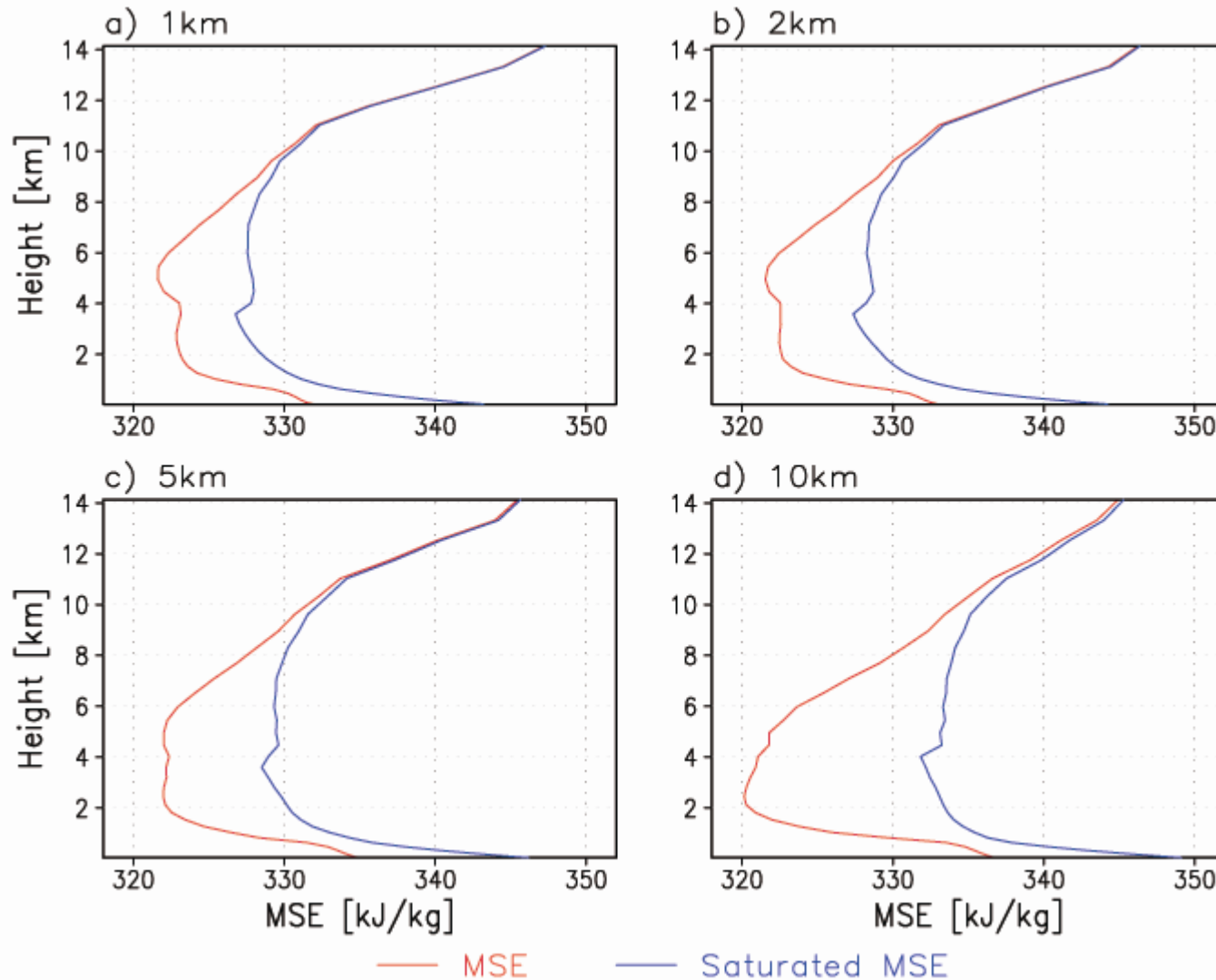
Hovmuller diagram of precipitation (No nudging of zonal wind)

• The IAP FGOALS-G1.0 Global General Circulation Model (IPCC AR4, 2006)

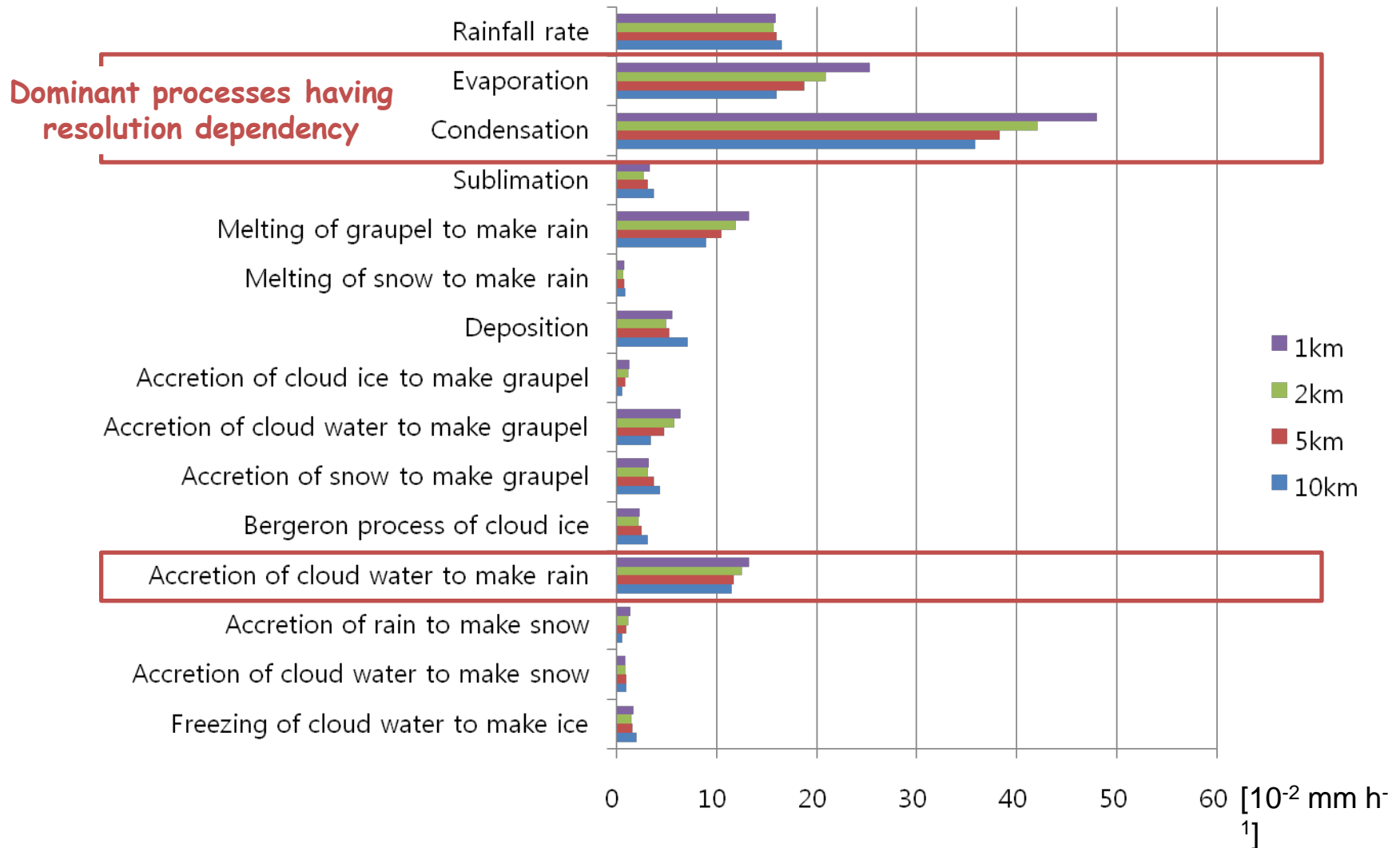


Vertical profile of moist static energy

✓ Last 15 days mean of radiative-convective equilibrium

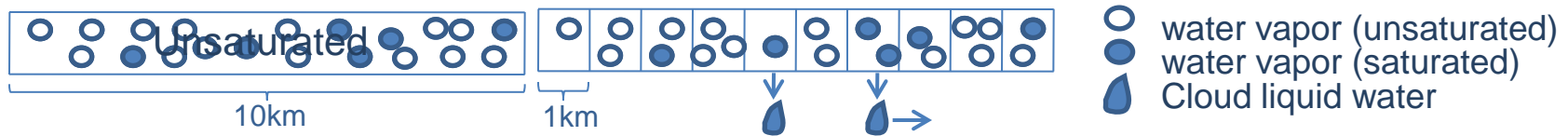


Budget of microphysical processes (vertical integration)

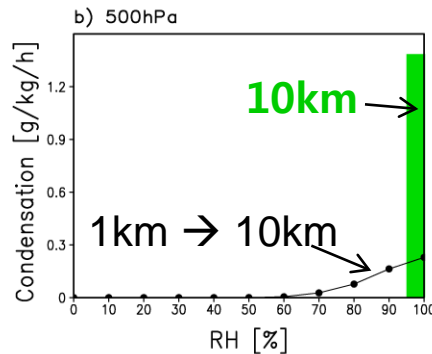
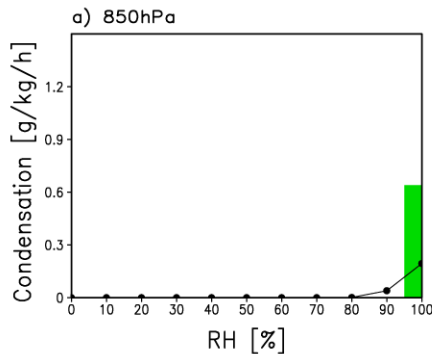


Modification of cloud microphysics in CRM

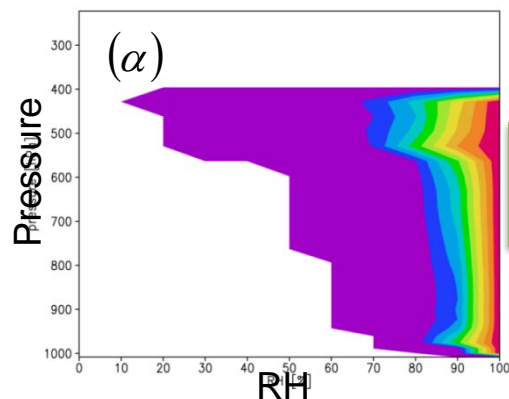
✓ Sub-grid concept of condensation process



▪ RH vs. amount of condensation

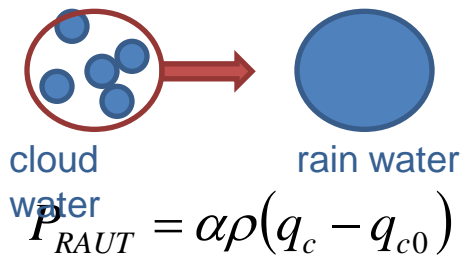


Sub-grid fraction of condensation area



Modification of CND
 $= CND \times \alpha + E(VP \alpha)$

✓ Modification of autoconversion threshold value



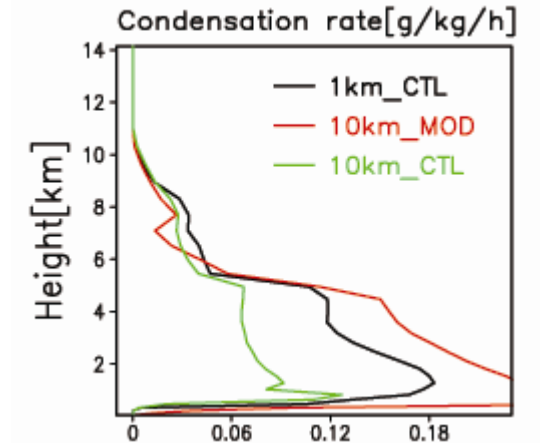
α : rate coefficient (10^{-3})

q_{c0} : mass threshold value for autoconversion

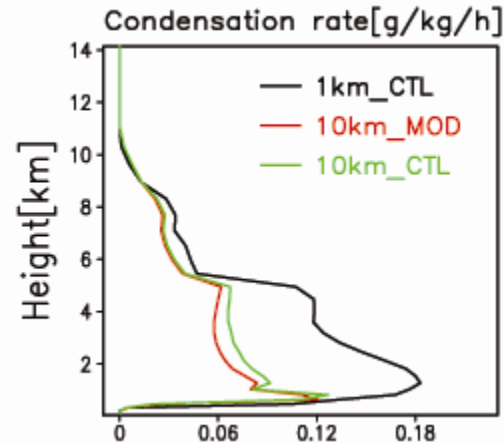
→ If $q_c < q_{c0}$ (no process to make rain water)
 - Modify q_{c0} smaller from $1.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ g g}^{-1}$ to $1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g g}^{-1}$
 (expect to the active conversion process from cloud water to rain water)

CRM result for condensation rate

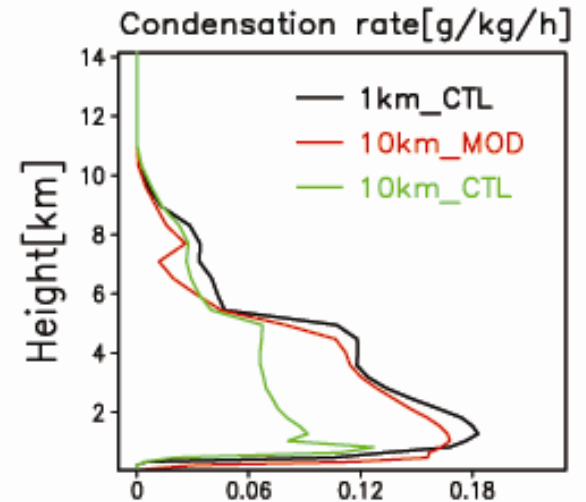
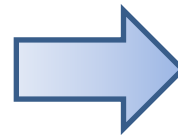
(1) Sub-grid concept of condensation process



(2) Modification on autoconversion

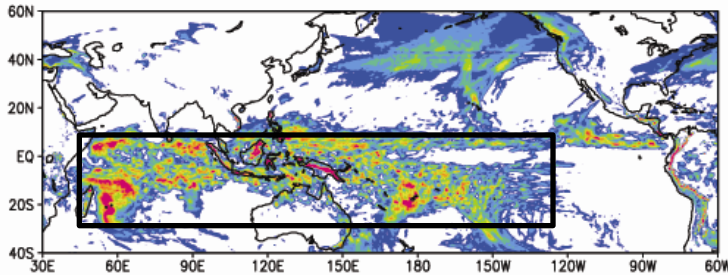


Total modification
(1) + (2)

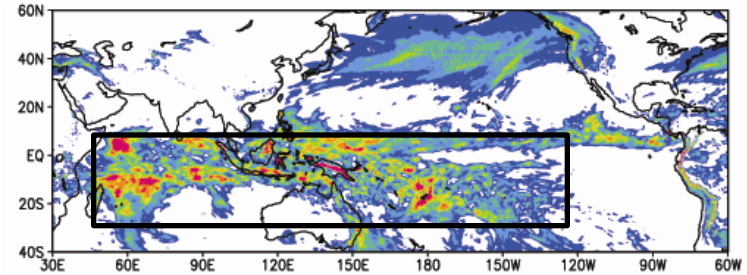


The Impact of Modification of cloud microphysics

➤ Original microphysics (35km, Jan)

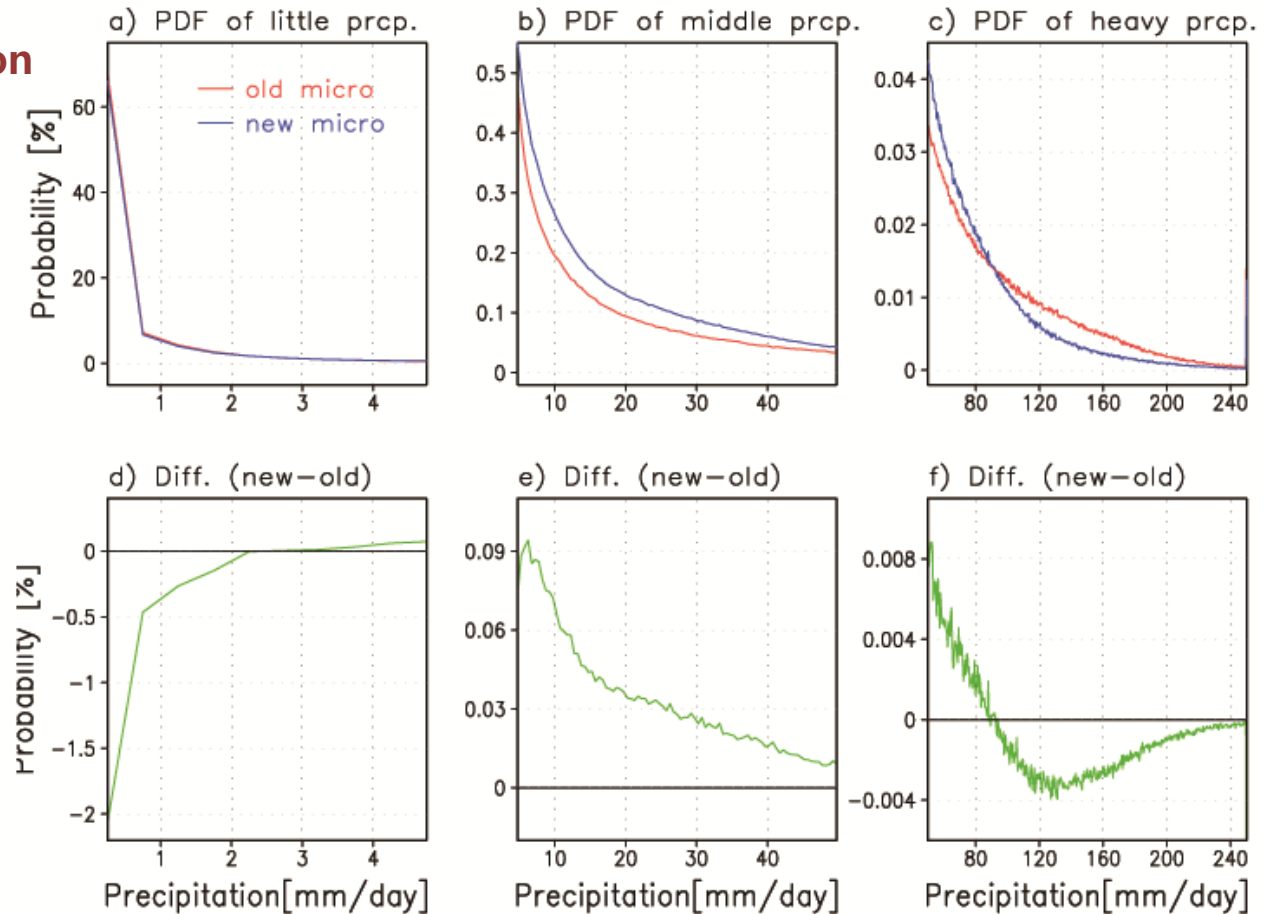


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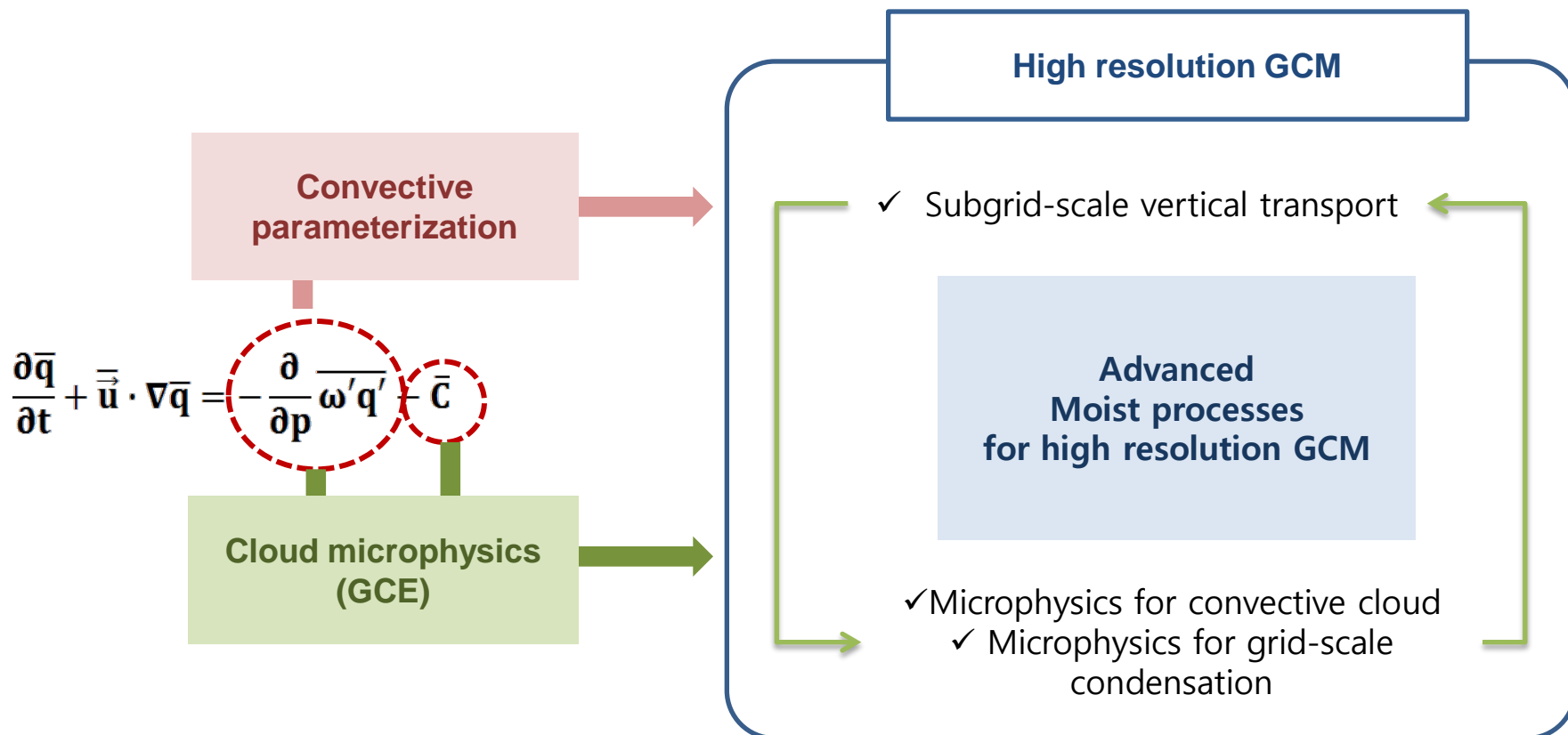


➤ PDF of precipitation

30S~10N,
45E~240E



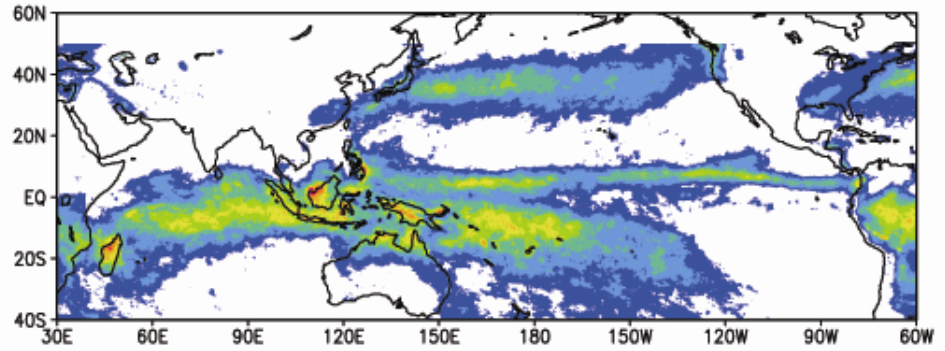
Toward High Resolution GCM with Microphysics



Parameterization vs Microphysics

Precipitation (Jan)

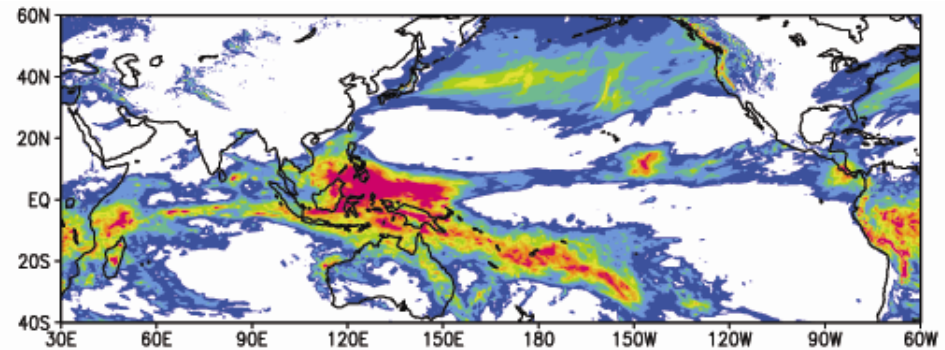
➤ TRMM Observation



➤ 35km GCM simulation

Convective parameterization
(Bulk scheme
Kim & Kang, 2011)

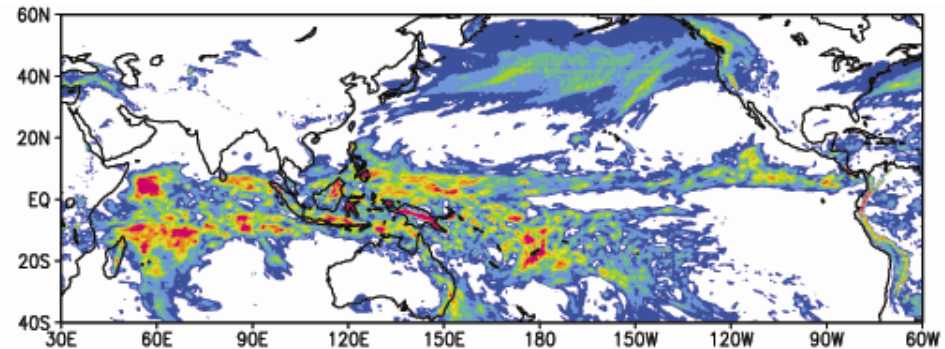
Large scale
condensation
parameterization



$$\frac{\partial \bar{q}}{\partial t} + \bar{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \nabla \bar{q} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \overline{\omega' q'} - \bar{C}$$

Modified cloud
microphysics
(GCE)

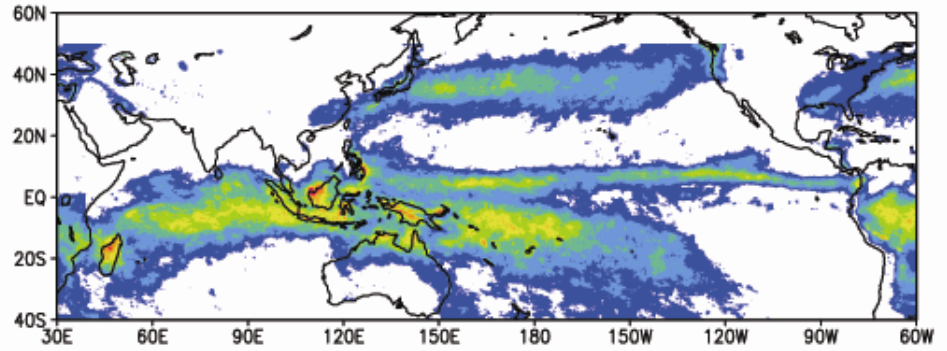
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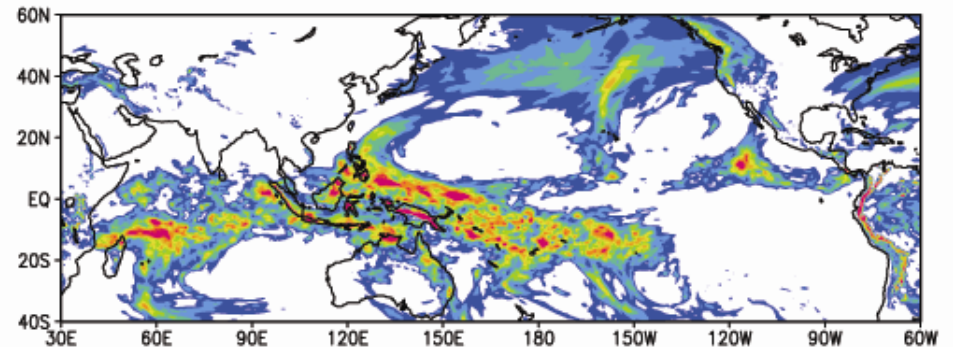
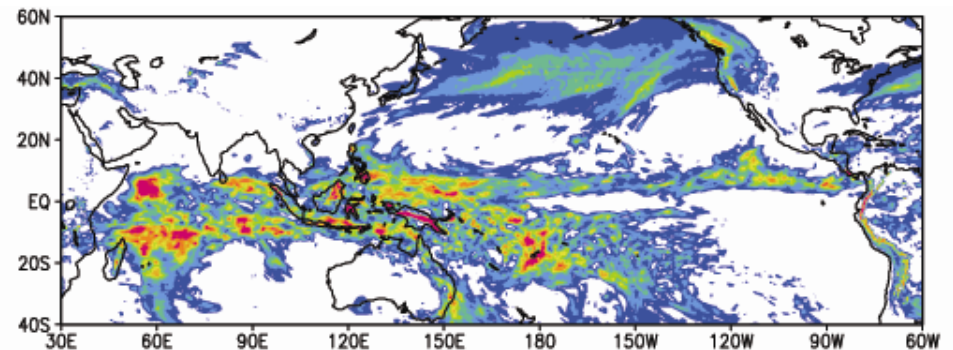
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Convective parameterization (Bulk scheme Kim & Kang, 2011)

Modified cloud microphysics (GCE)

Adding convective parameterization for sub-grid scale condensation



Shallow convection vs Deep convection

Precipitation (Jan)

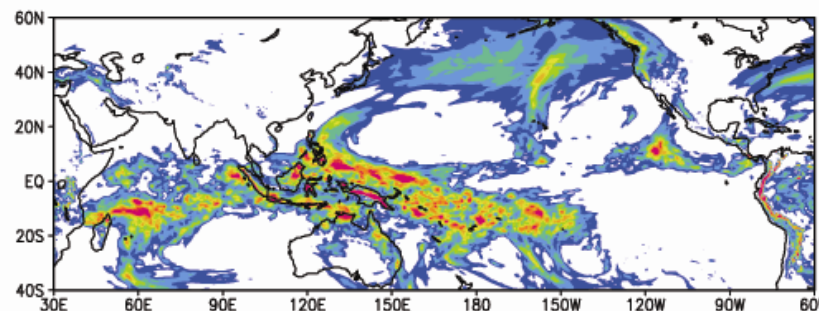
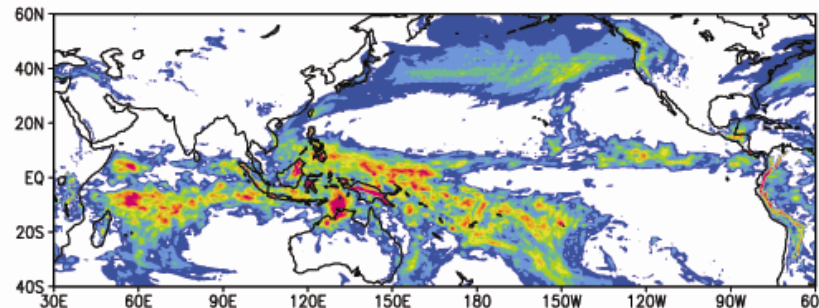
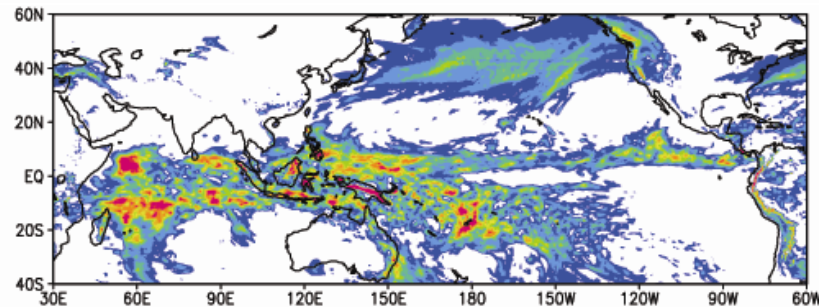
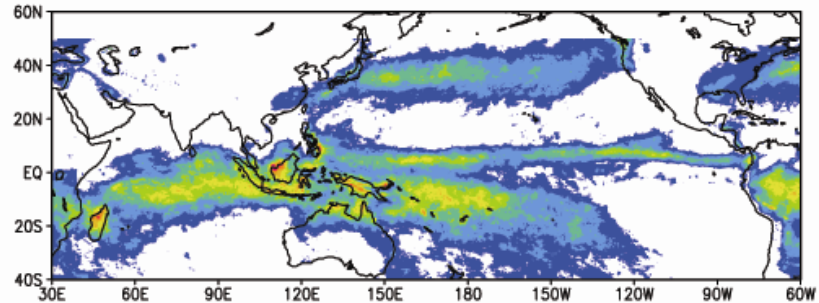
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Modified Microphysics

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+ shallow convection
(non-precipitation, diffusion type
similar concept to Manabe scheme)

Modified Microphysics
+ shallow convection
+ Deep convection (BULK scheme)



Shallow convection vs Deep convection

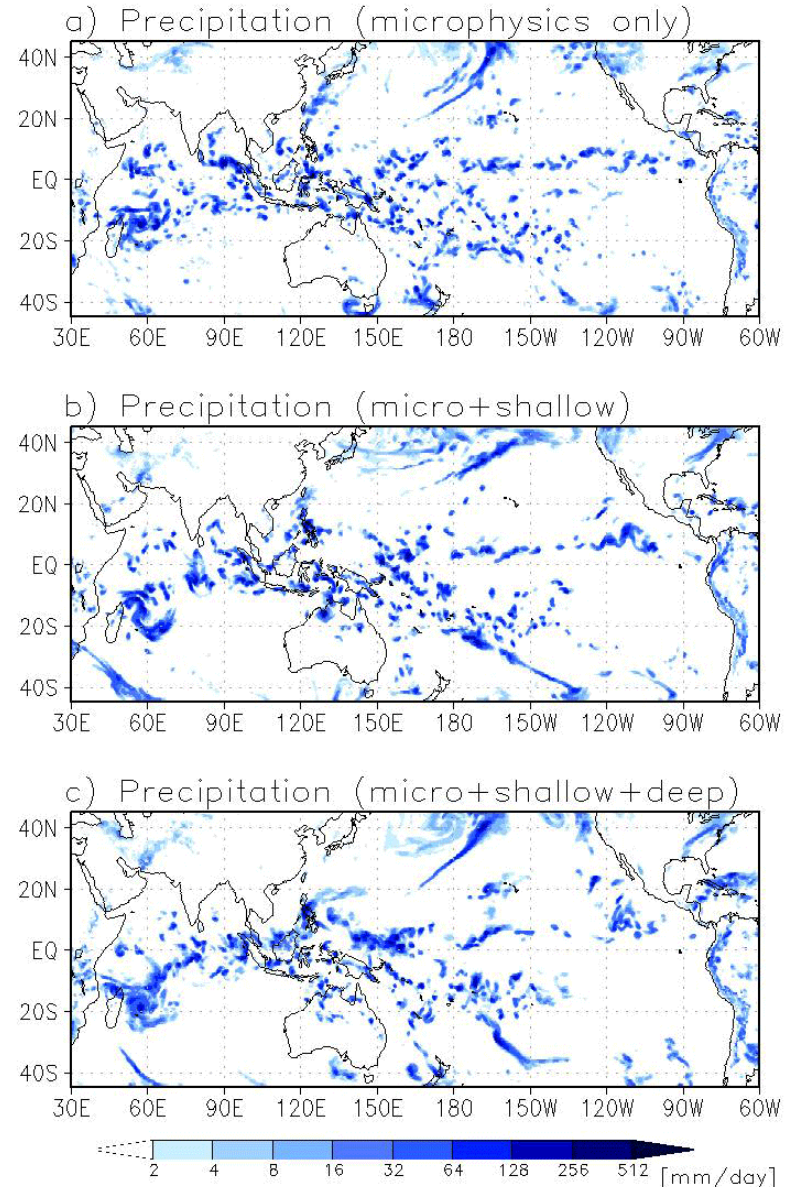
Precipitation (Jan, 3hourly)

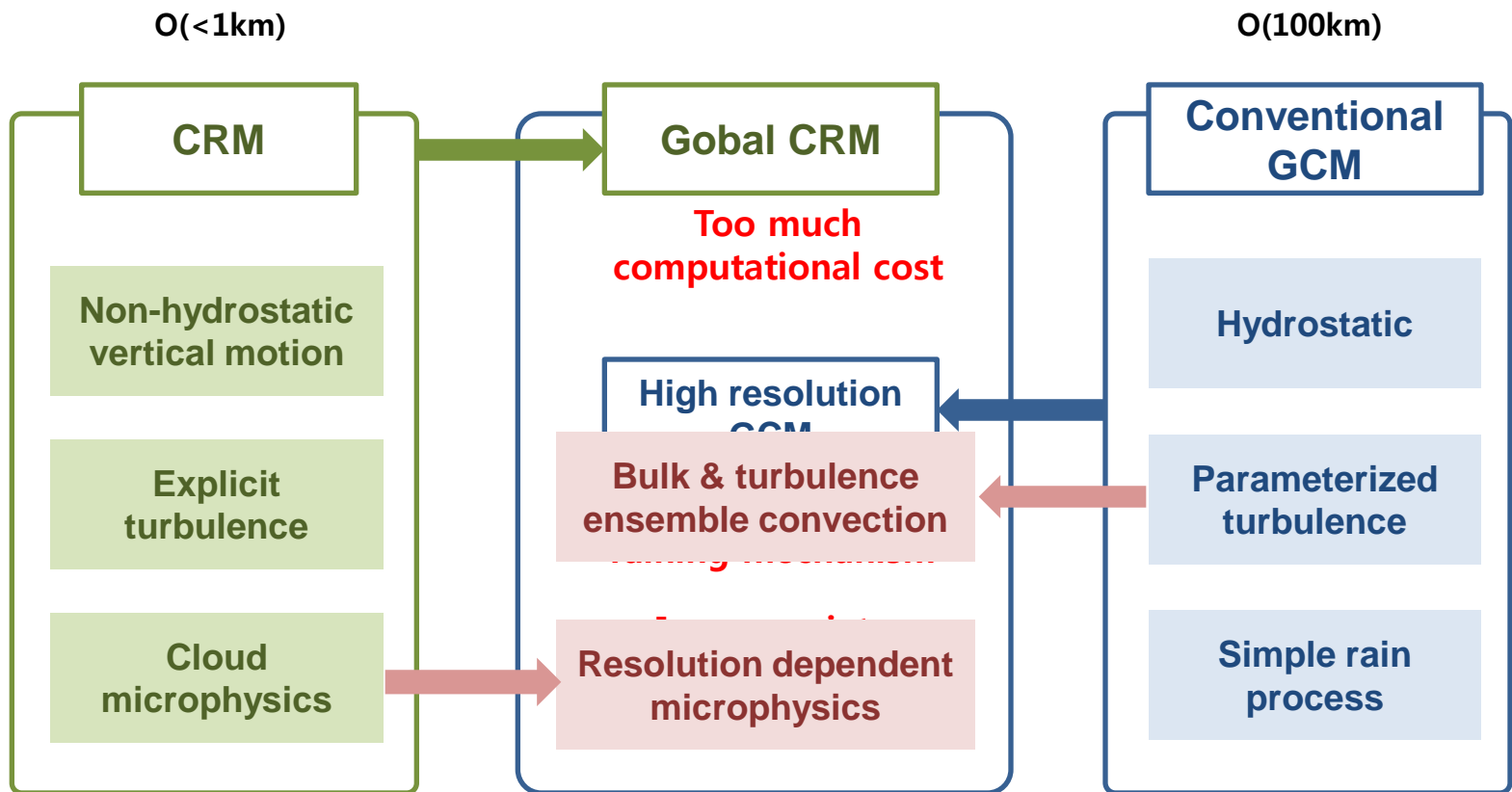
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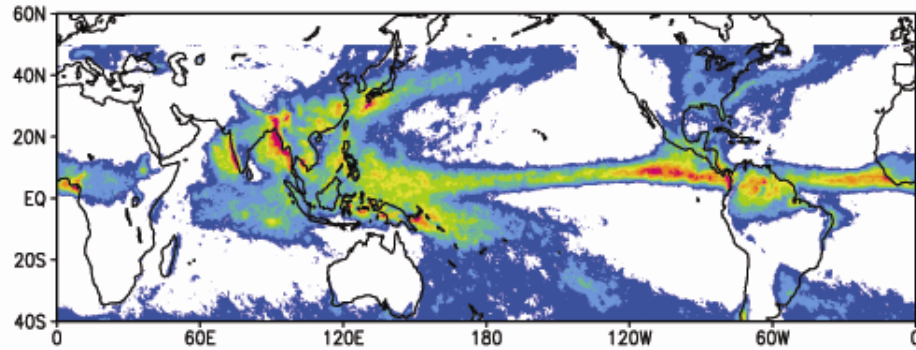


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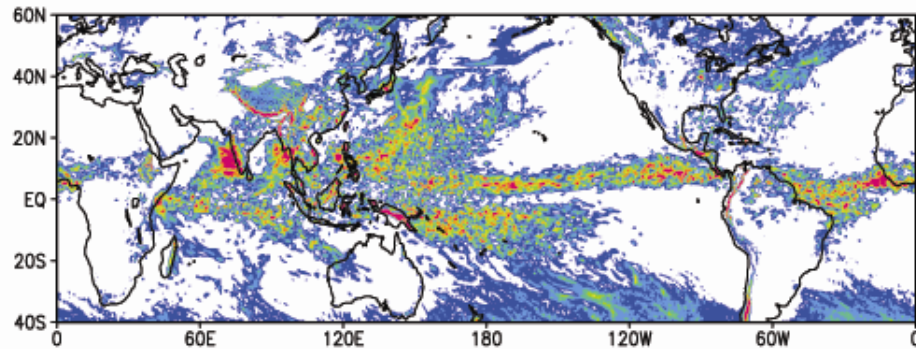
Influence of different type of microphysics in GCM

➤ Prcp. of Jun

TRMM



Lin
scheme (1983), 35km



Rutledge-Hobbs
scheme (1984), 35km

