

Climate research in AICS

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**Development of high resolution
atmospheric model**

Outline

- Introduction:
 - Importance of clouds in the climate
 - Cloud-aerosol interaction
 - Recent advance in global climate modeling
 - Methodology change from conventional model to GCRM
 - What are big subjects in climate modeling?
 - Need of more sophisticated modeling
- Purpose and plan of our team
 - What is needed for accurate estimation of cloud role on the climate?
 - How should we do on K-computer and next post-peta flops computer environment?
- Summary



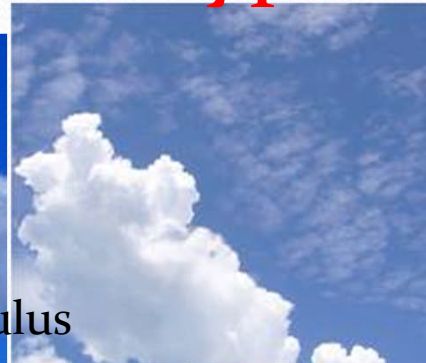
Introduction

Cloud! Cloud! Cloud!

Various cloud types exist in our earth!



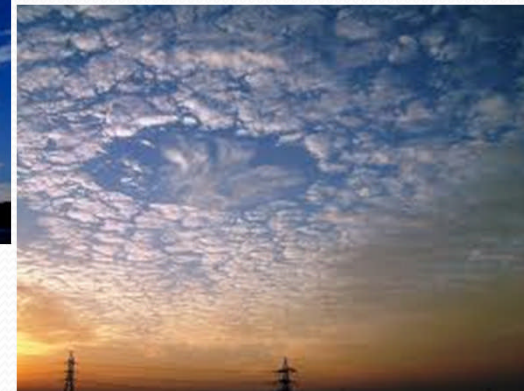
cumulus



Shallow cloud



cirrus



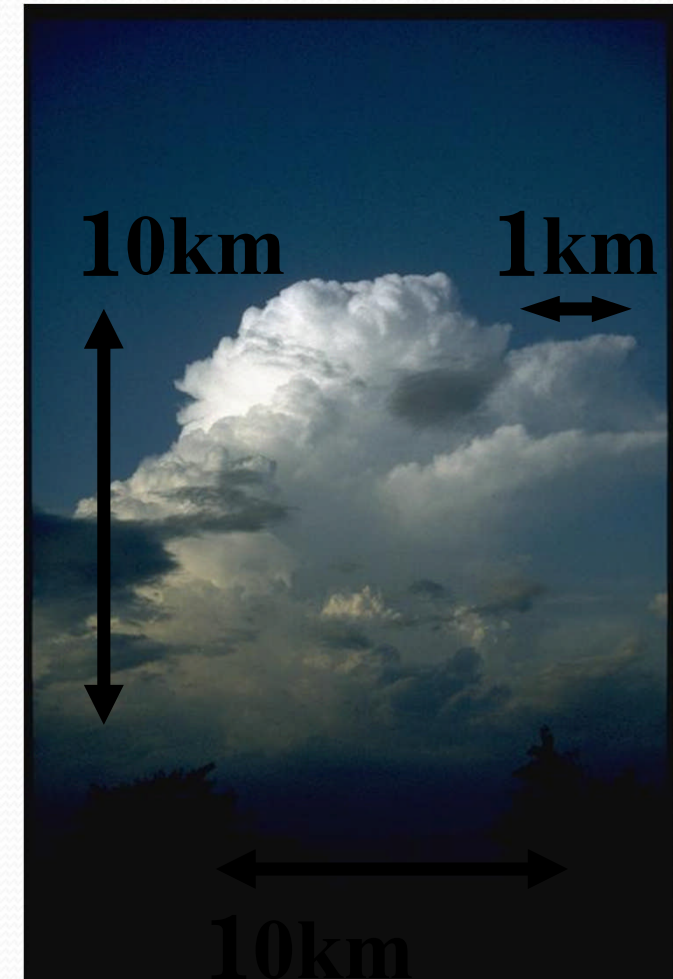
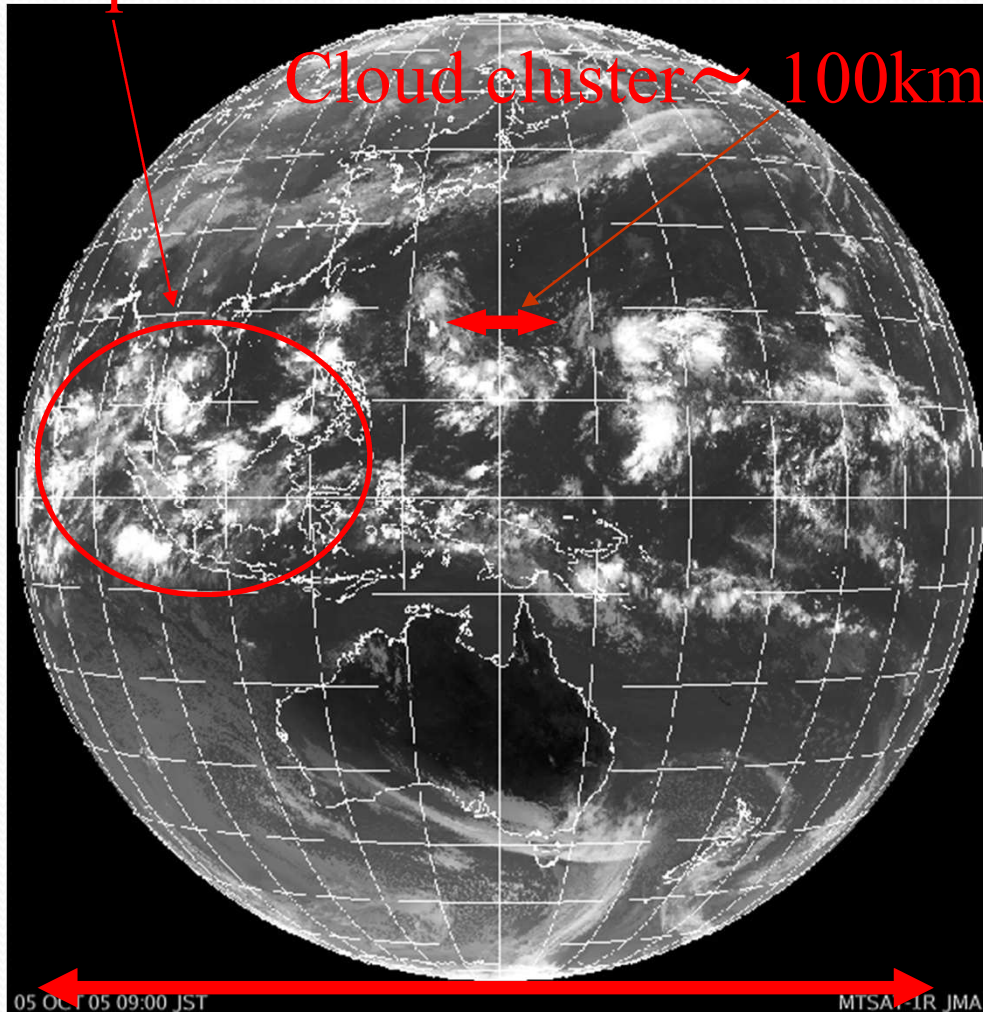
Very difficult to model the cloud!

Overview of cloud disturbance over the globe

---- organization of hierarchical structure of clouds

Super cloud cluster $\sim 1000\text{km}$ \rightarrow MJO

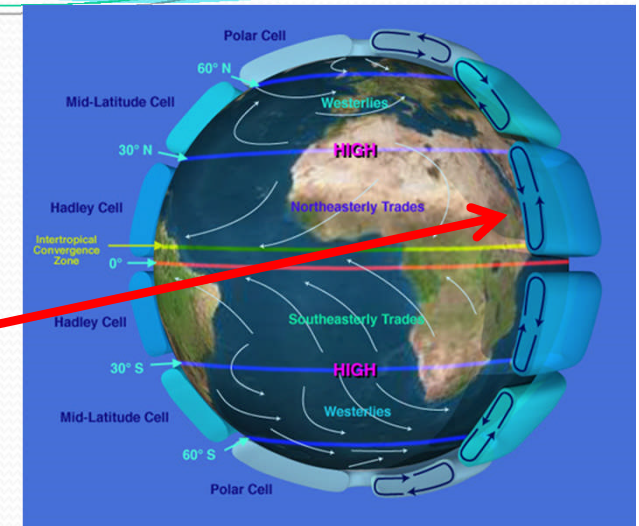
Cloud element: cumulus



Earth diameter : 12740km

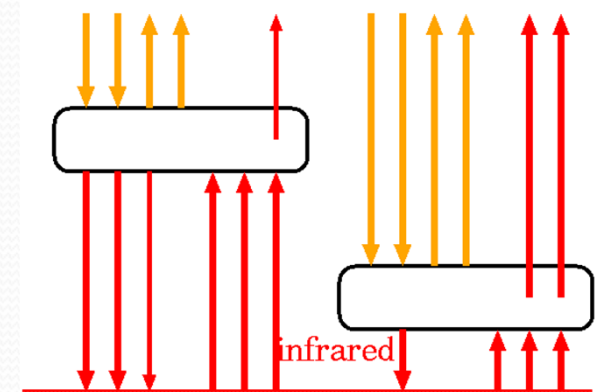
Why are clouds important in climate/weather?

- Importance as the engine for general circulation :
 - Cumulus has an important role for atmospheric heat transfer over the globe.
 - Heat transport in the latitudinal direction.
 - Hierarchical structure generates many phenomena.
 - Cloud cluster , super cloud cluster, tropical cyclone, MJO.
- Importance for energy budget in climate:
 - Cloud has two aspect on climate!
 - Parasol effect : reduce the incoming solar incidence.
 - Green house effect : cloud emits infrared radiation into the surface and space.
 - Cloud has a large impact on energy balance through the interaction with aerosol.
 - Indirect effect of aerosol : optical thickness of cloud and cloud life time.
 - Direct effect of aerosol is also important.



Parasol effect
Reflection of

visible solar incident
ultra violet



Greenhouse effect
Emission of infrared

Effect of aerosol on climate

Solar incident

1st Indirect effect

Reflection
Direct effect

If the aerosol is rich,
→ Cloud is optically thick

High reflection

If the aerosol is poor,
→ cloud is optically thin.

Low reflection

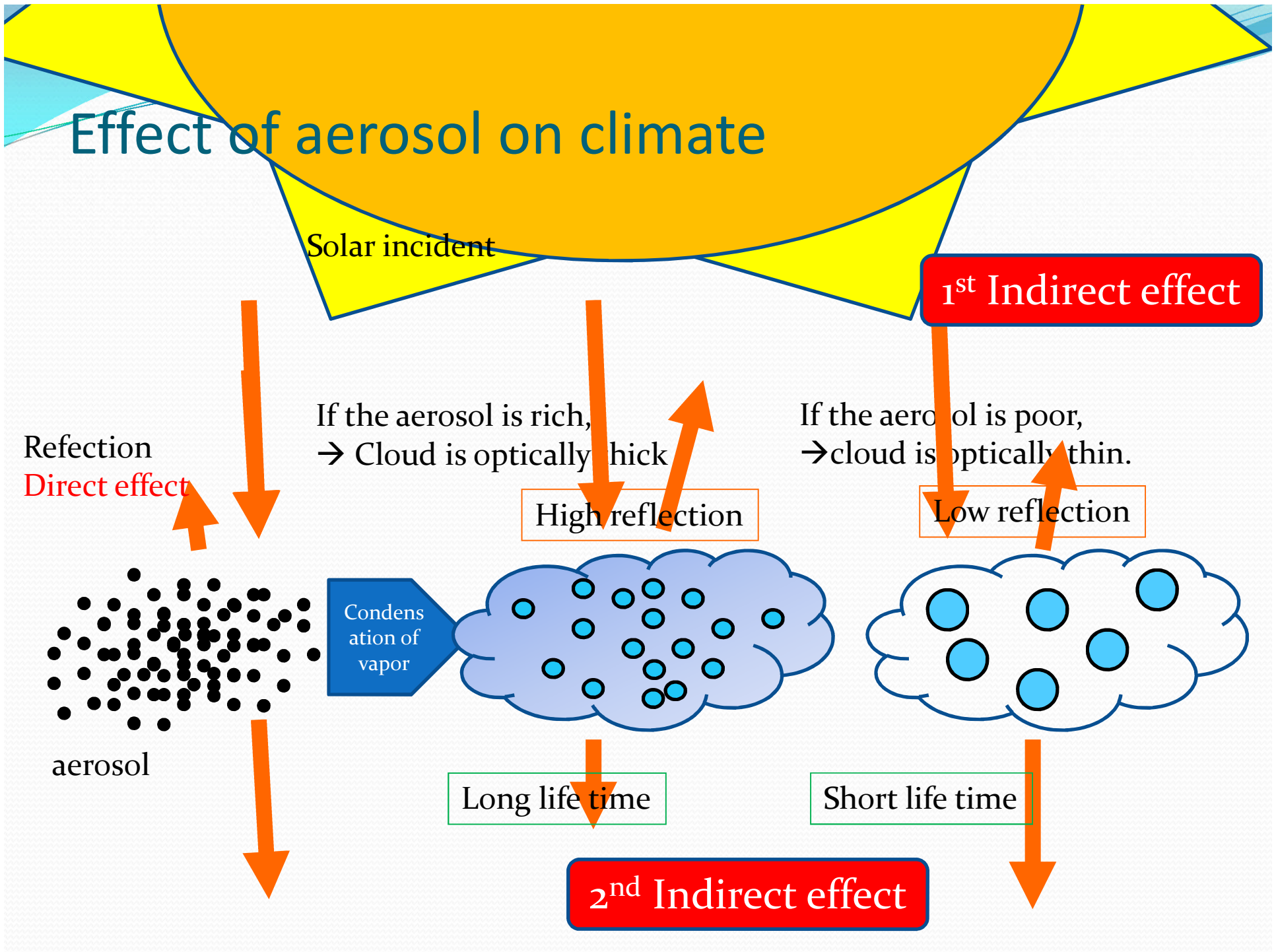
Condensation of vapor

aerosol

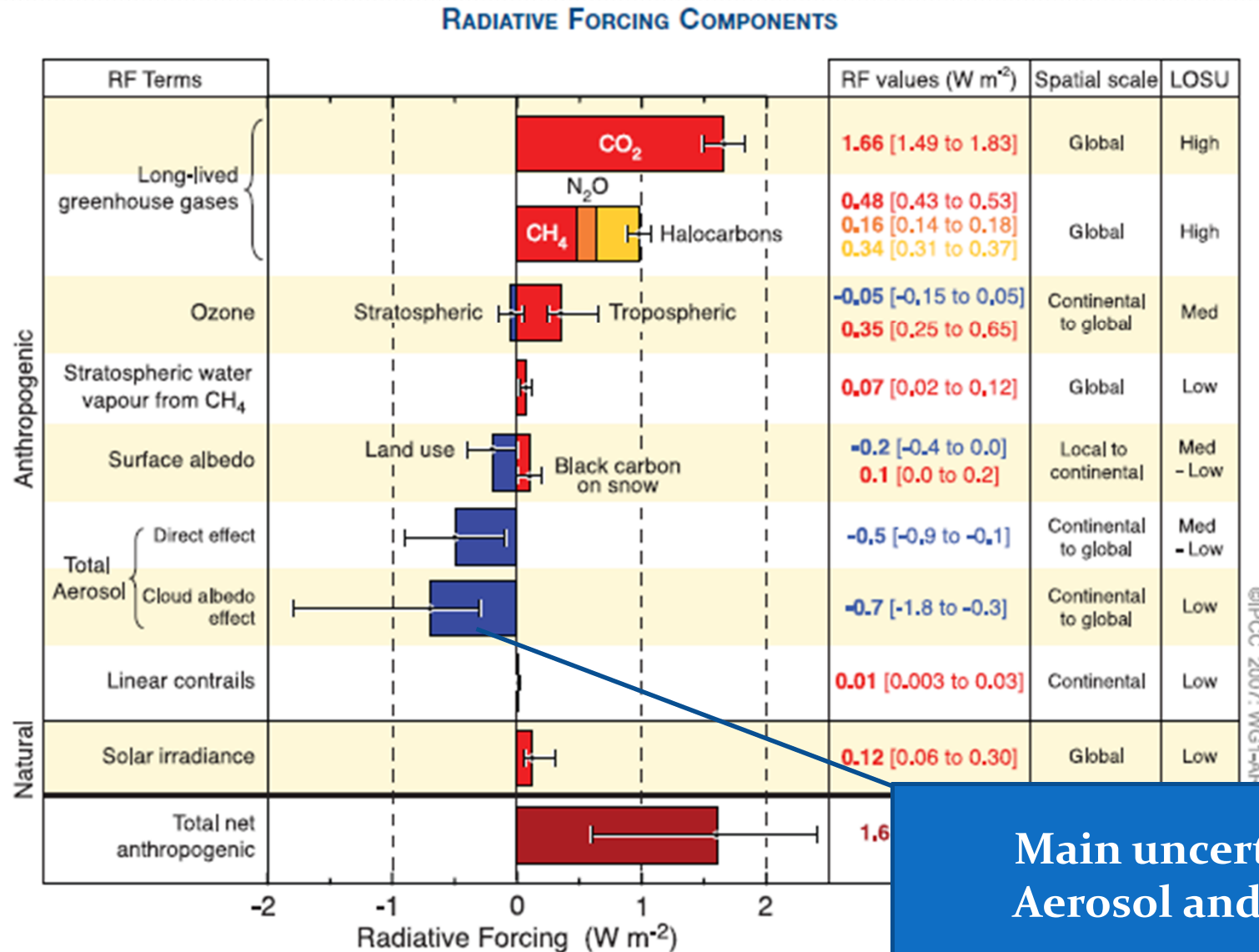
Long life time


Short life time

2nd Indirect effect



Radiative forcing of each of anthropogenic components between industrial era and present (from IPCC AR4)



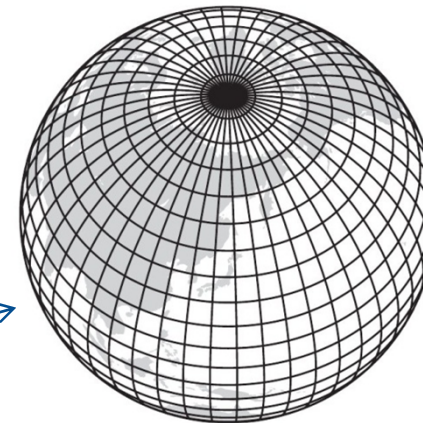


Recent advance of global atmospheric model

Conventional climate model

- Governing equation
 - Hydrostatic equation : balance between PGF and G.
- Discretization
 - Horizontal: Spectra transform method / lat-lon grid with semi-Lagrangian scheme
 - Vertical discretization
 - Finite Difference method
 - Temporal scheme
 - Semi-implicit scheme
 - fast mode(linear part) : implicit
- Typical resolution
 - IPCC : 100km
 - need to parameterize the subgrid cloud.

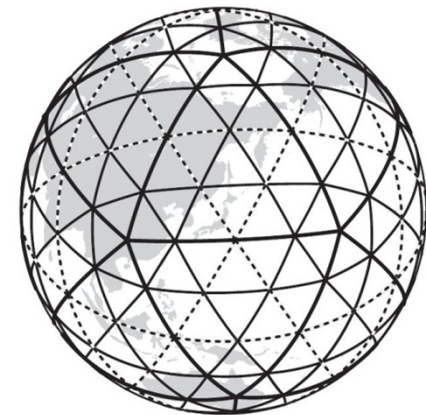
LATITUDE-LONGITUDE GRID



Global cloud-system resolving model

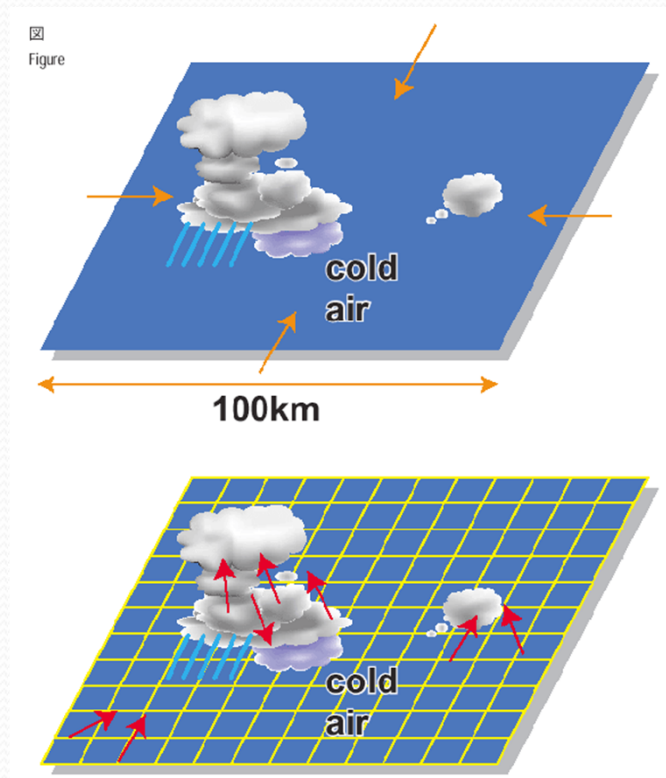
- Governing equation
 - **Non-hydrostatic equation**: explicit vertical motion for clouds
- Discretization
 - Horizontal: **quasi-homogenous grid** (e.g. icosahedral grid)
 - In order to avoid the pole problem and heavy calculation of spectral method
 - Vertical discretization
 - Finite Difference method
 - Temporal scheme
 - Semi-implicit scheme
 - fast mode(linear part) : implicit
 - Time splitting explicit scheme
 - Fast mode (acoustic and gravity wave) : short dt
 - 1D-helmholtz equation
 - Slow mode : large dt
- Typical resolution
 - NICAM (Tomita and Satoh 2004, Satoh et al.2008) : 7km, 3.5km
→ need to parameterize the subgrid cloud.

SPHERICAL GEODESIC
OR ICOSAHEDRAL GRID



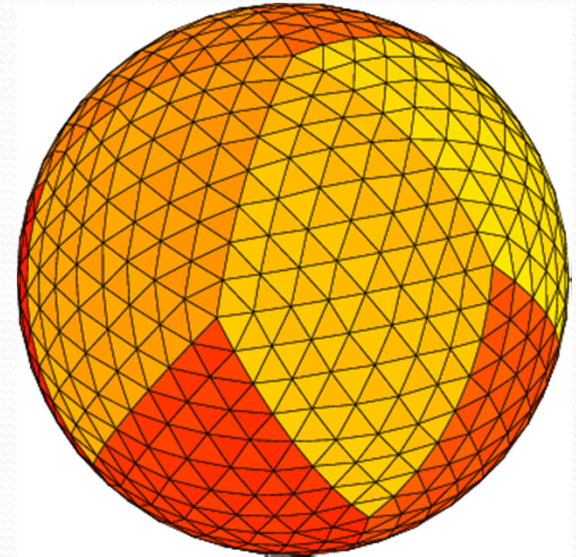
Essential difference between conventional GCM & GCRM

- Cloud expression
 - Conventional GCM
 - Cumulus parameterization & Large scale condensation
 - GCRM
 - No cumulus parameterization/ instead, microphysics scheme only.
 - Each of clouds explicitly is resolved
- What is an advantage of GCRM?
 - Explicit expression of cloud dynamics
 - Each of clouds
 - cloud cluster
 - super cloud cluster
 - moist Kelvin wave
 - Madden Julian oscillation
 - Explicit expression of cloud hierarchy



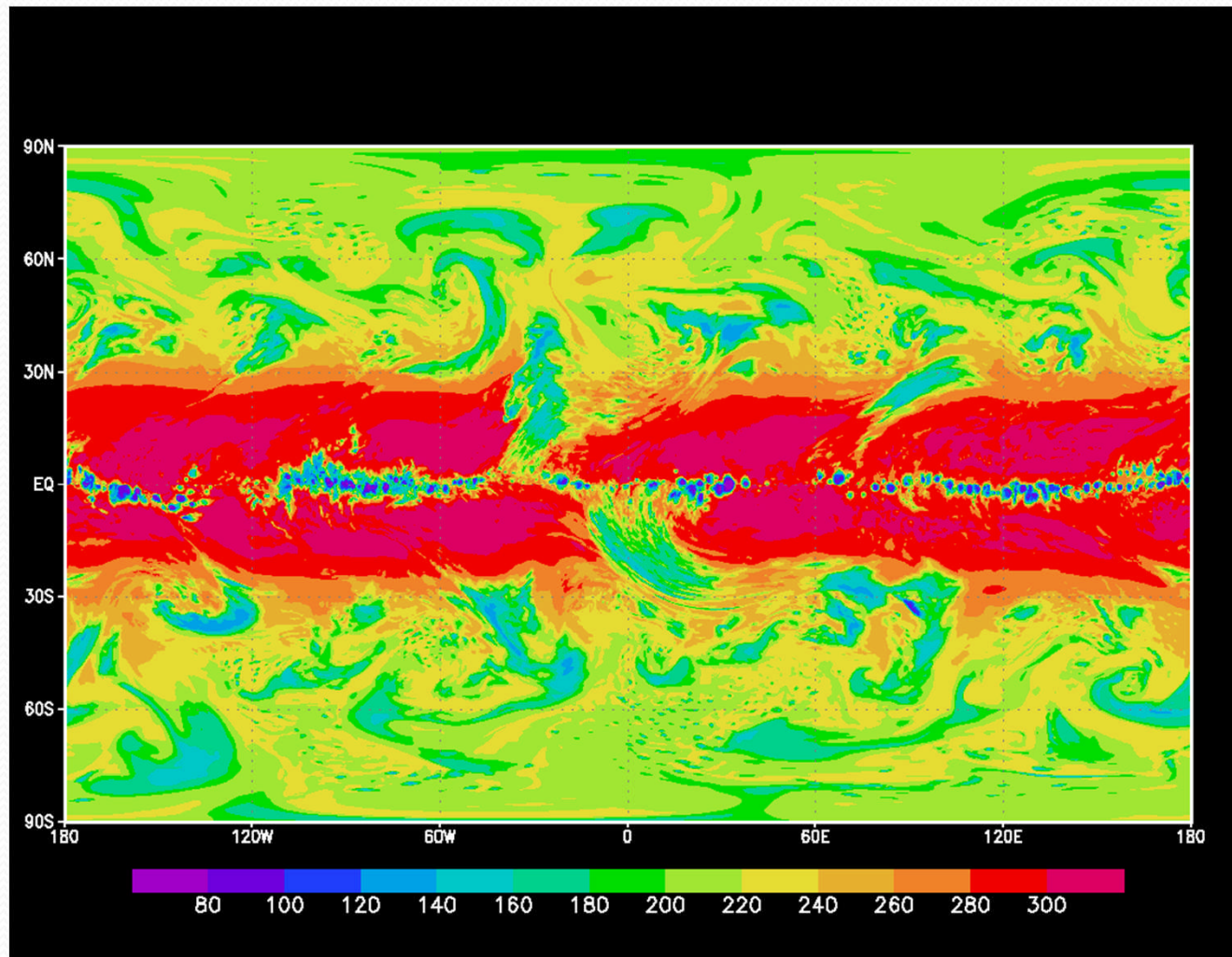
NICAM project

- NICAM project (~2000)
 - Dynamical core
 - Horizontal grid : icosahedral grid
(grid modification : Tomita et al. 2001, 2002)
 - Dynamics : Non-hydrostatic scheme
(energy conservation : Satoh 2002, 2003)
→ 3D DC(Tomita & Satoh 2004)
 - Cloud representation
 - Avoid “cumulus parameterization”
 - Microphysics only.
- Computational tuning
 - for the massively parallel vector computer system (ES, ES2)
 - Now, code tuning on K-computer



Recent GCRM simulation by NICAM(1)

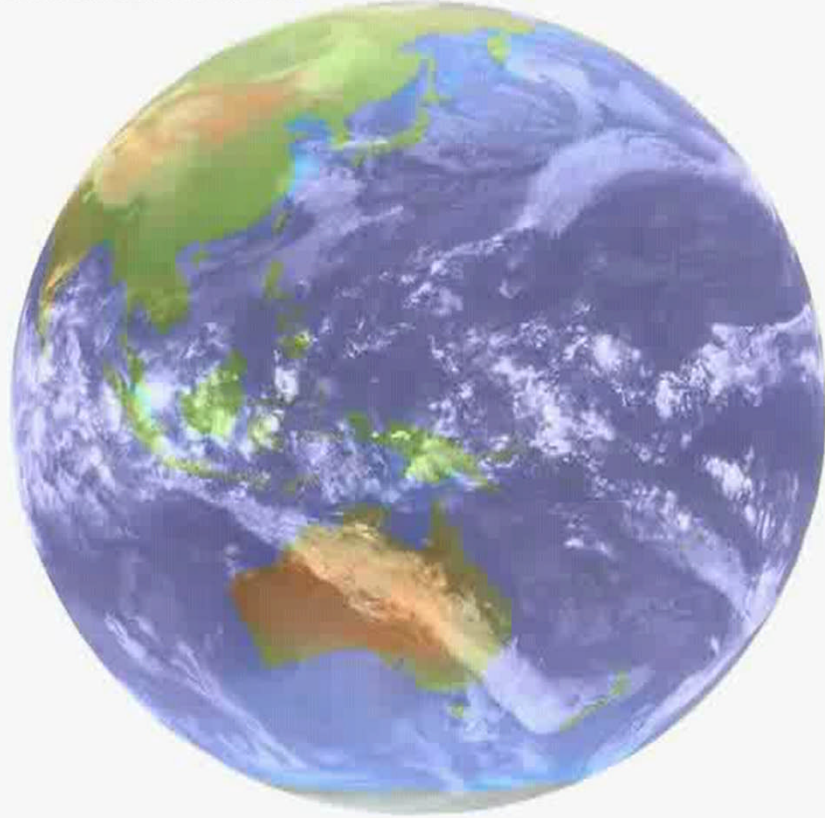
- Aqua planet experiment (Tomita et al. 2005, GRL)
 - The first cloud-system resolving simulation over the world (landmark work)
 - Eastward propagation of SCC/Westward propagation of CC.



Recent GCRM simulation by NICAM(2)

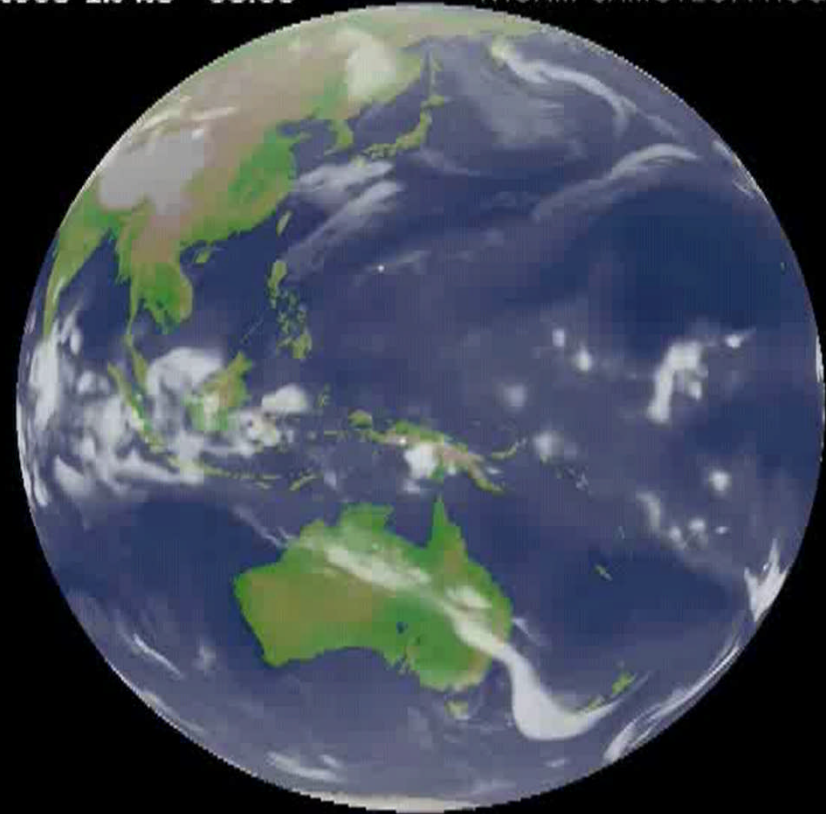
- Madden Julian Oscillation (Miura et al. 2007, Science)
 - The successful MJO simulation by GCRM

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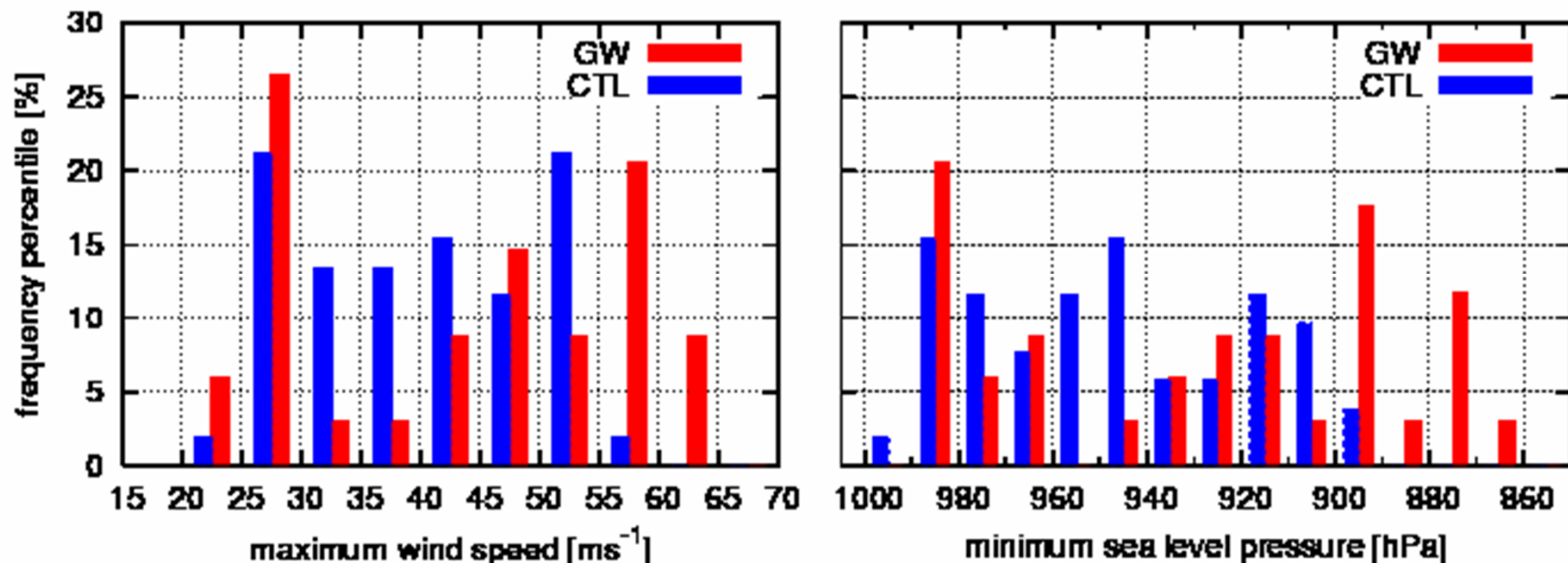
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Recent GCRM simulation by NICAM(3)

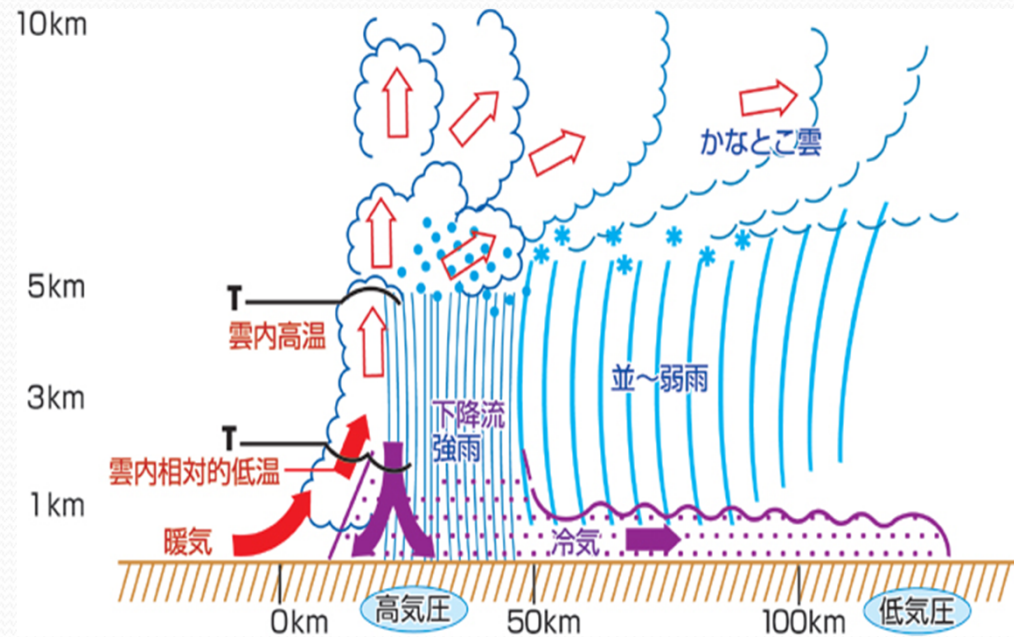
- Tropical cyclone change in the GW era (Yamada et al. 2010, GRL)
 - 3months integration for GW environment and Present environment
 - Intensity : increase/ frequency : decrease
 - Question : Is it true?
 - HPCI strategic program reveal it by more statistical approach.



Significance of GCRM, so far

- Explicit expression of **cold pool dynamics**
 - Story
 - Cloud generation
 - Rain by aggregation
 - Rain sedimentation
 - Evaporation
 - Cold pool
 - Generation of next cloud

**DRASTIC IMPROVEMENT
OF CLOUD DYNAMICS**

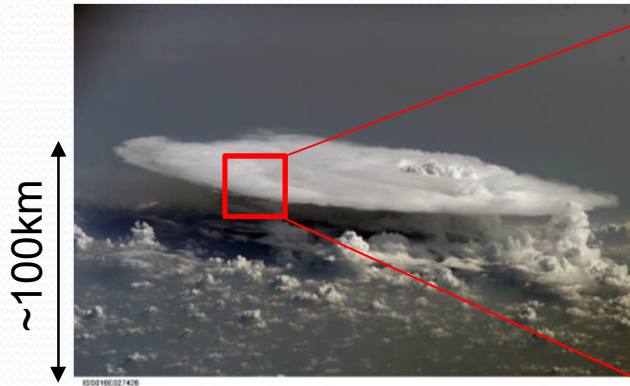


- However, current GCRM is not yet sufficient as a climate model.
 - Current model : very simple and idealized method
 - Roughly estimation of cloud droplet size
 - Radiation : tuned for energy budget suitable to energy balance.

Change from bulk method to spectral bin method!

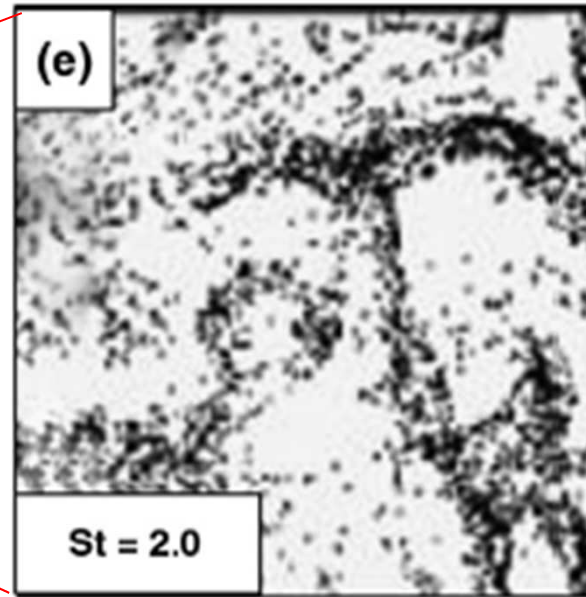
Particle Dynamics

Each of clouds

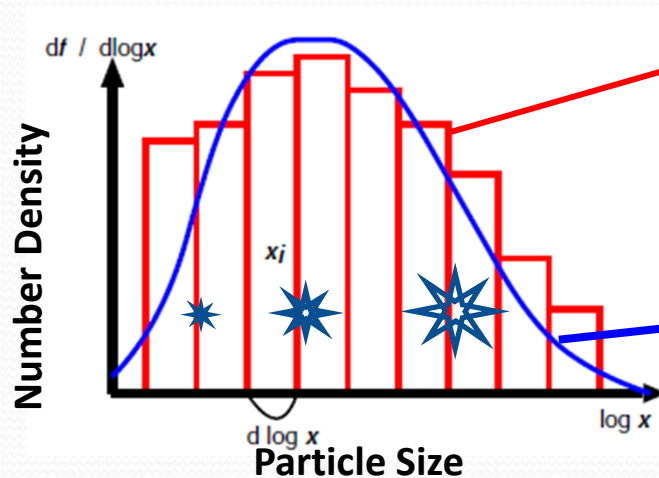


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8cm



DNS by Khain et al. (2007)



Spectrally discretized by Bin:
Able to treat precise size distribution

$$f(x) = Ax^\nu \exp(-\lambda x^\mu)$$

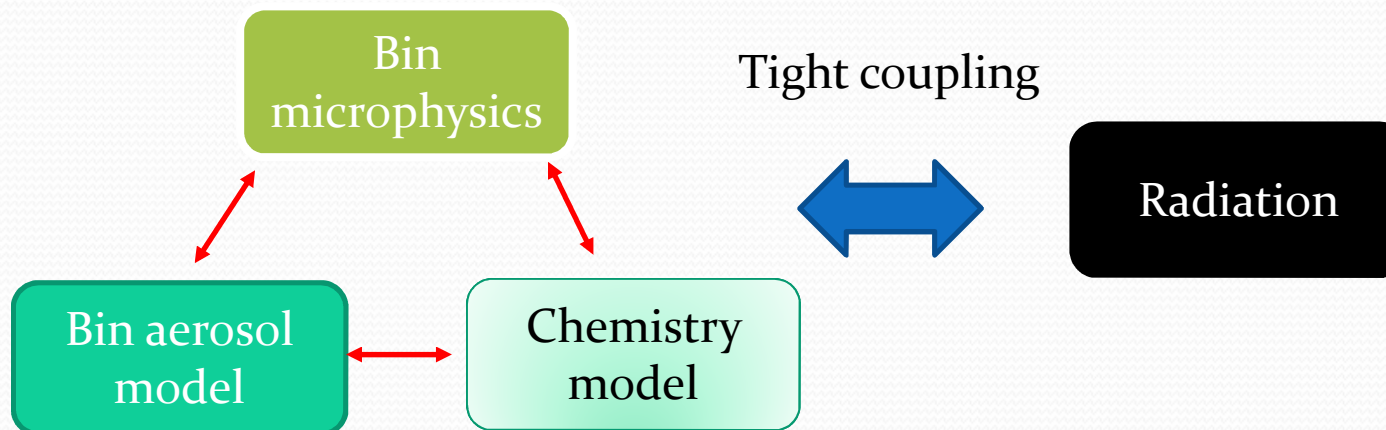
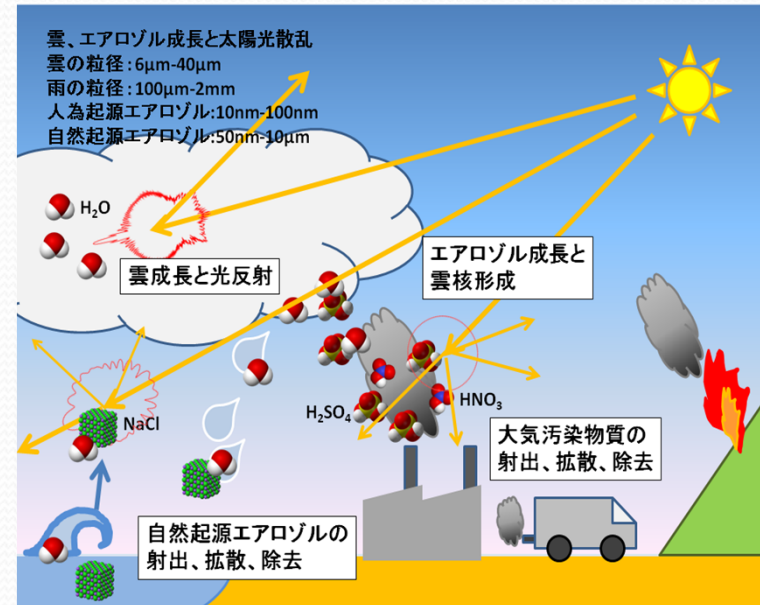
$$M^{(k)} = \int_0^\infty x^k f(x) dx,$$

Same situation
in aerosol model

Bulk method : function type is prescribed

Tight coupling of aerosol and microphysics with radiation is needed!

- Need to change the bulk method to spectral bin method
 - Microphysics
 - Aerosol model
- Chemistry is also very important for interaction with aerosol.





Purpose and plan of our team

The mission of our team

- Main purpose :
Reconstruction of infrastructure of climate modeling toward the peta-scale & post-peta scale
 - Basic research (Computational science aim)
 - Suggestion of future framework to climate modeling community through the research with computer science people.
 - Reconsideration of dynamical core
 - Fault tolerance, I/O, scalability
 - Application research (Scientific aim)
 - Construct more sophisticated physics.
 - For accurate climate assessment.

Sophisticated modeling in physics part

- Upgrading the cloud model
 - Bulk model → Bin model
- Upgrading the aerosol model
 - Bulk model (SPRINTARS) → bin model
- Implementation of chemical transport model
 - Still, NICAM does not have a chemical model.
- Upgrading the radiation model
 - Plane parallel model (2D) → 3d radiation model

Upgrading the microphysics (step by step)

Challenge	Method	Application	Prognostic Variables	Cost	Expressible
	Spectral Bin	Single Column Model Idealized Experiment	Each Particle mass (~ 30 size sections)	30 x 30	Turbulence effect on particles Individual particle shape
Default	1 Moment Bulk	Weather Forecasting Regional Research Global Climate Research	Mass	1	Mass flux
Latest	2 Moment Bulk	Regional Research	Mass, Number	2 x 2	+Cross-section, Surface Area Effective Radius, Mean Volume
Next	3 Moment Bulk	Regional Research	Mass, Number, Radar Reflectivity	3 x 3	+ Broadness of drop spectra

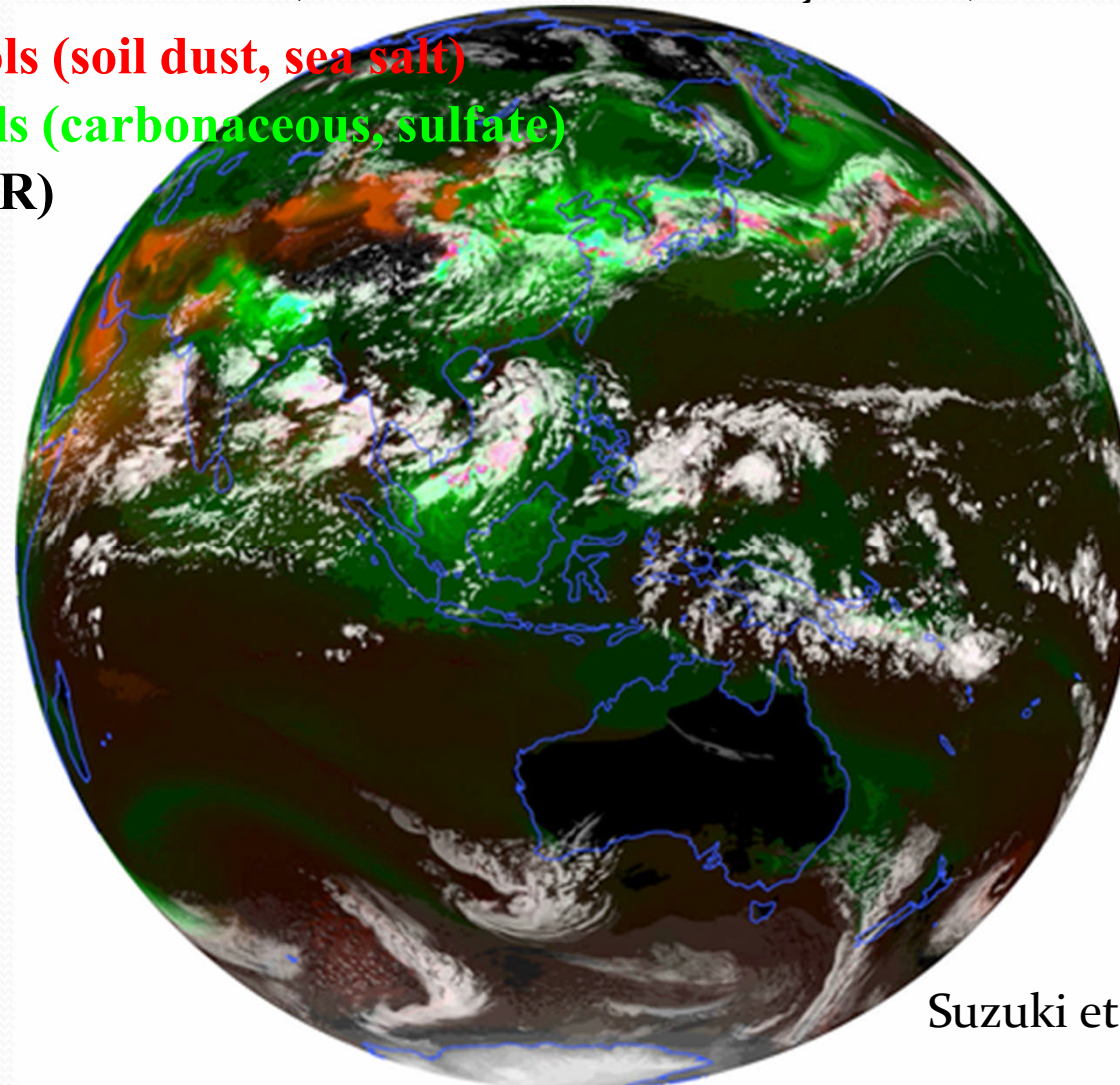
Upgrading the aerosol model

- Now, NICAM has a bulk aerosol model (old version of SPRINTARS, still bulk)
 - First attempt of coupling of microphysics and aerosol in convection-resolving model.
- Next phase : bin aerosol model (extension of SPRINTARS by Suzuki)

Red: coarse aerosols (soil dust, sea salt)

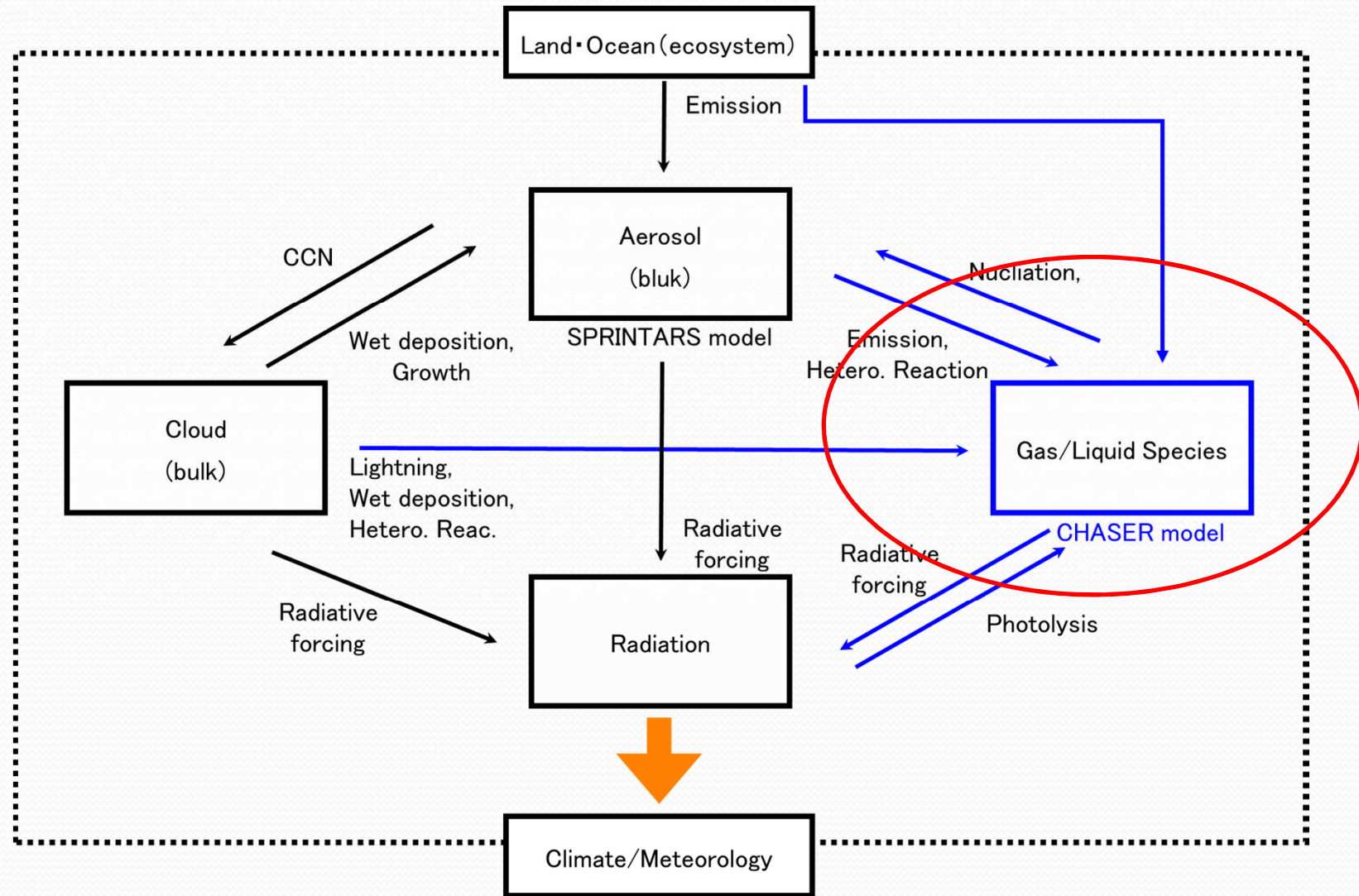
Green: fine aerosols (carbonaceous, sulfate)

White: clouds (OLR)

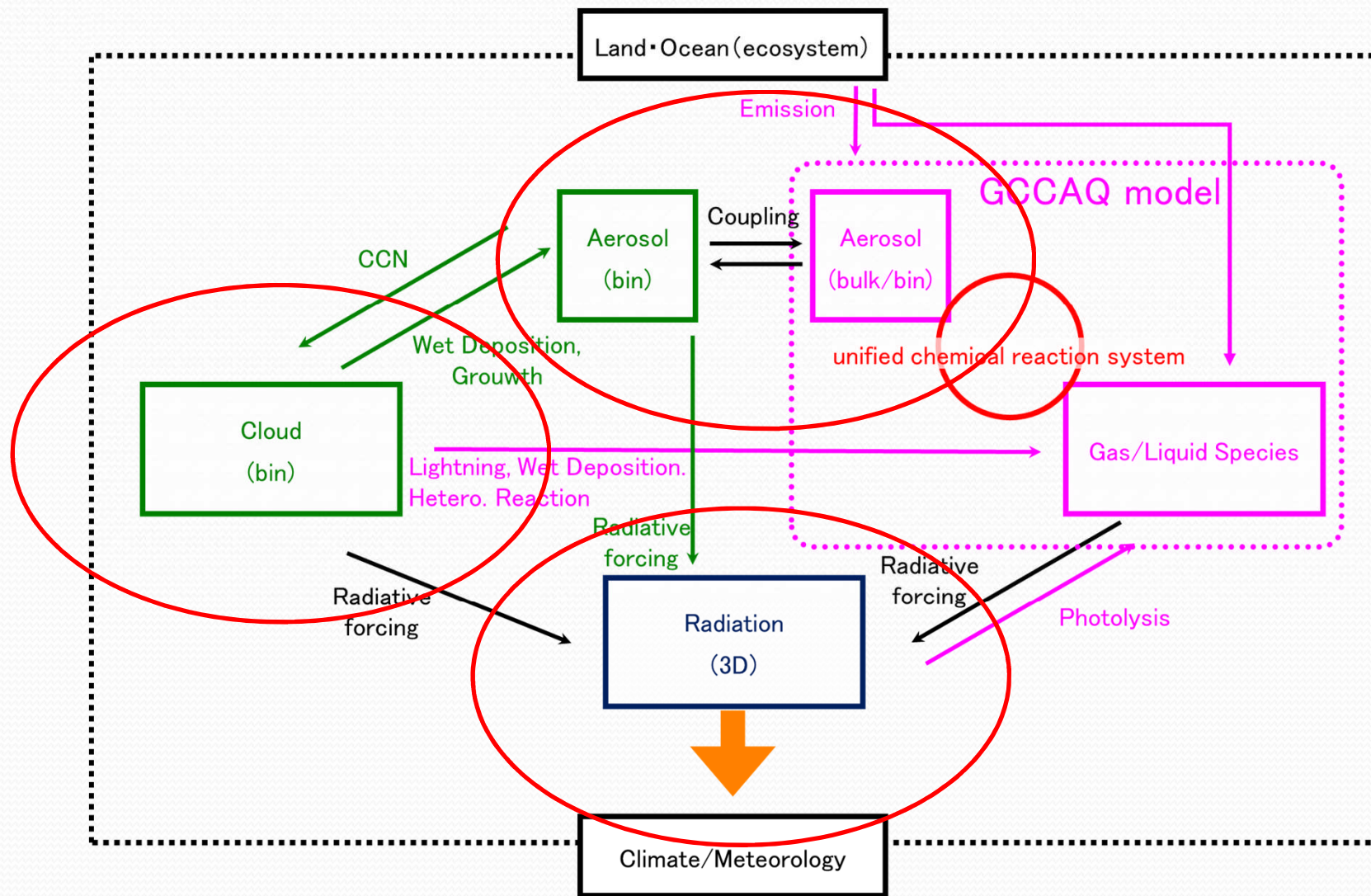


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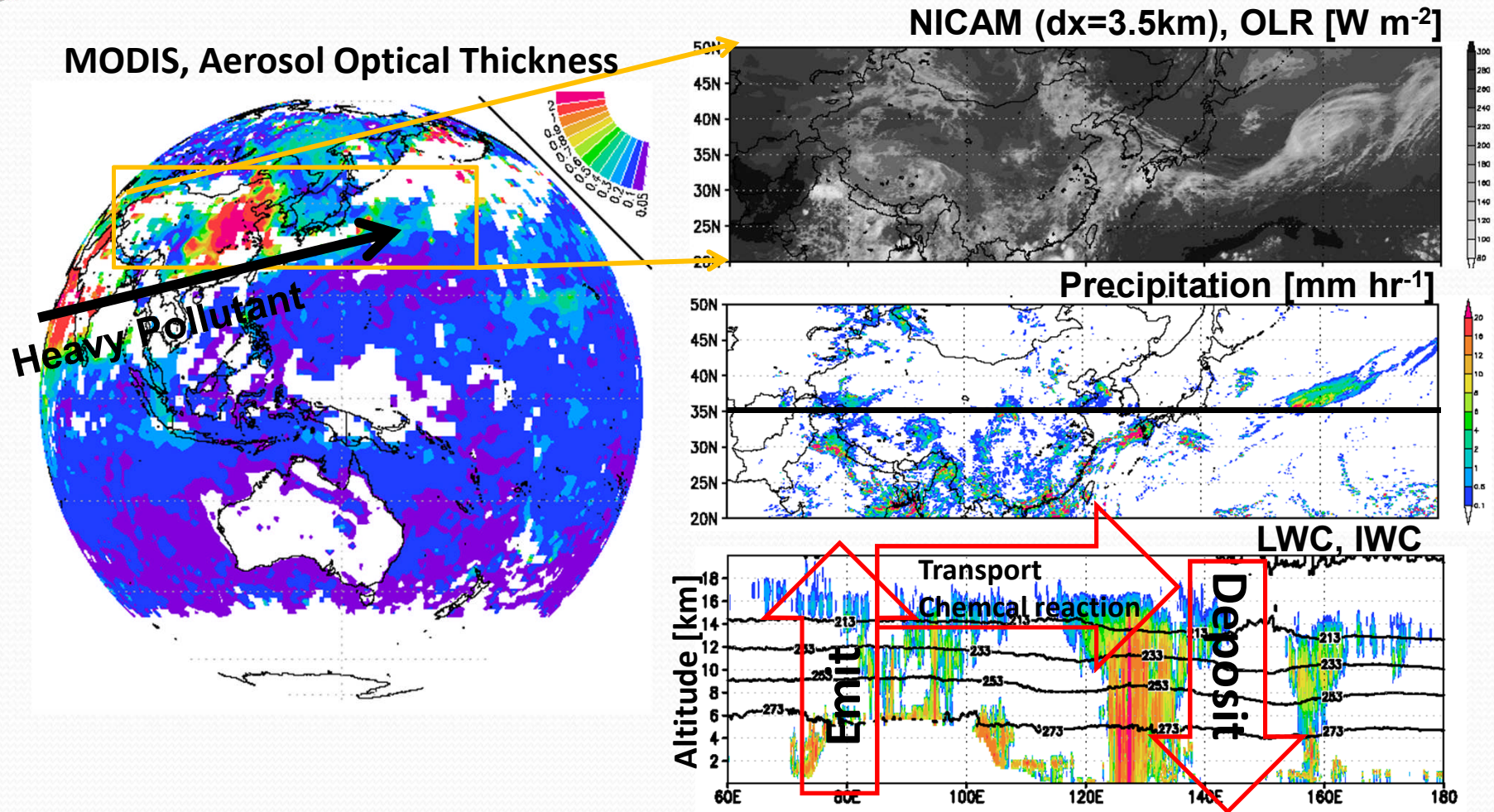
Implementation of chemical model



Schematic figure of the new model (phase #2)



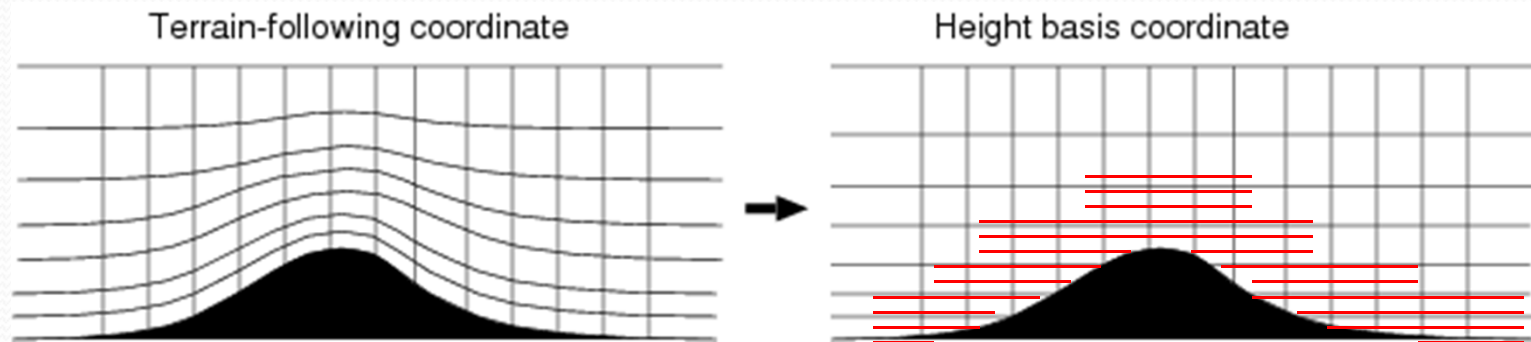
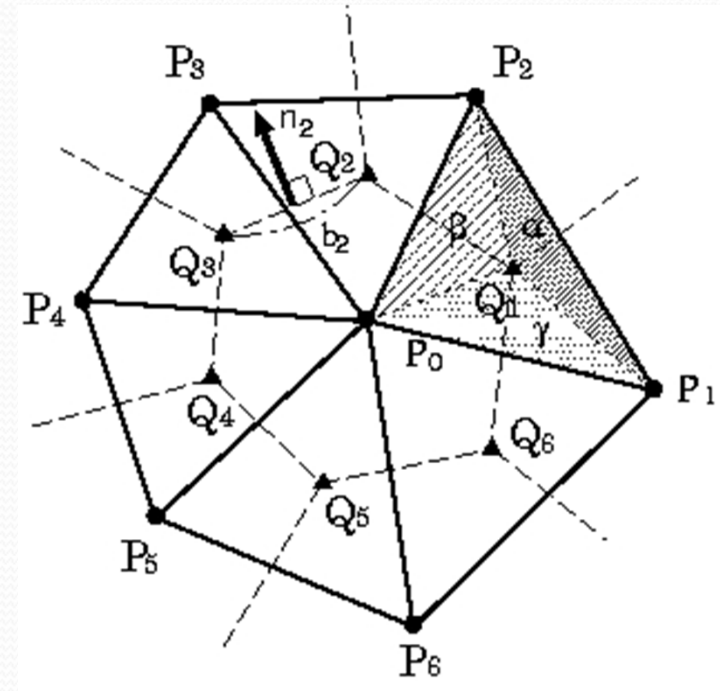
Pollutant Assessment by GCRM+Chemistry



We can study Long Term Transportation resolving Emission, Liquid Phase Reaction, Transportation, and Deposition over the globe!

Basic research for the post-Petaflops

- Improvement of NICAM dynamical core itself
 - Current DC:
 - Icosahedral grid(quasi-homogeneous)
 - Vertical discretization : terrain-following coordinate
 - Horizontal A-type grid
 - Future plan
 - Topologically flexible configuration based on Icosahedral grid
 - Vertical discretization : cut-cell method
 - Horizontal B or C type staggered grid? or other?

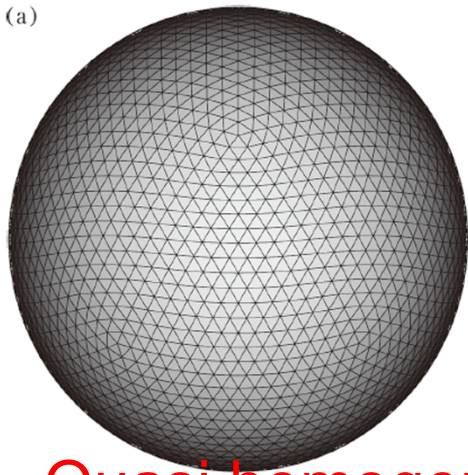


Example of various grids **Newly proposed**

Iga (2010)

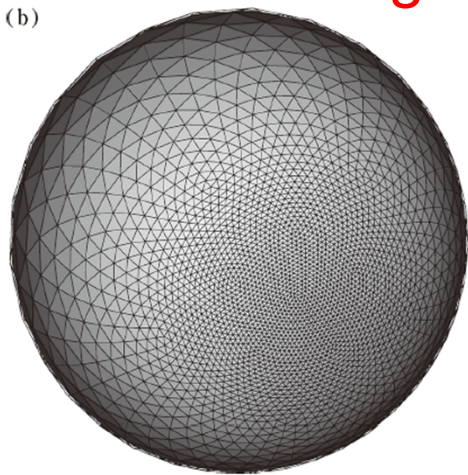
Icosahedral grid

(a)



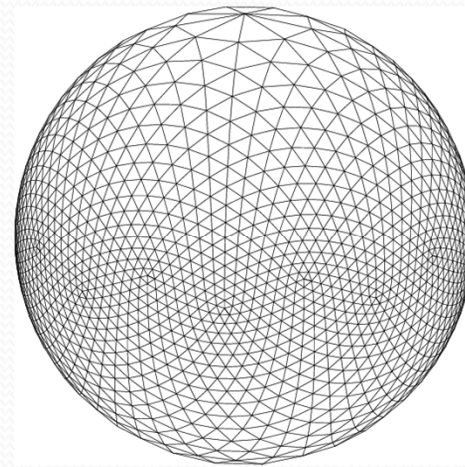
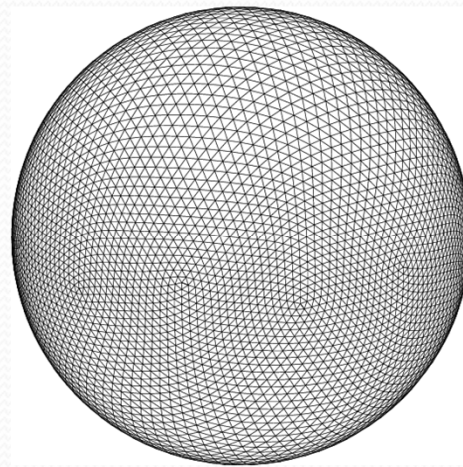
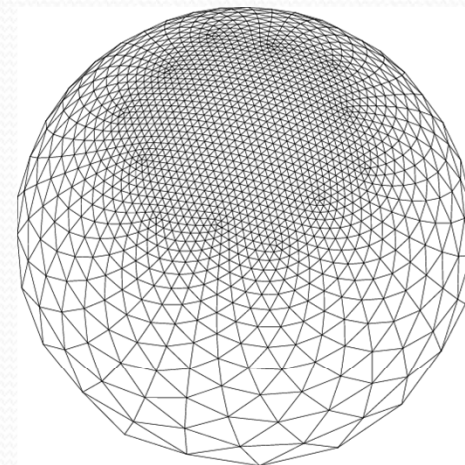
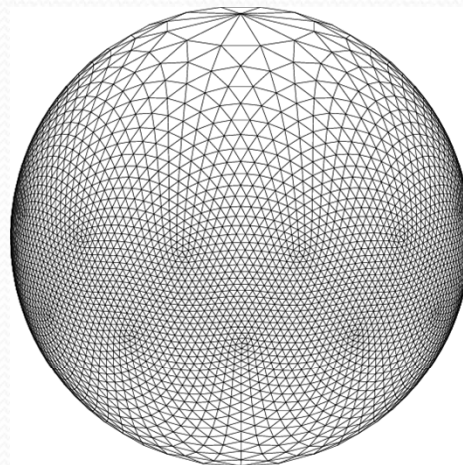
Quasi homogenous

(b)



Stretched (Tomita2008)

Change of region topology

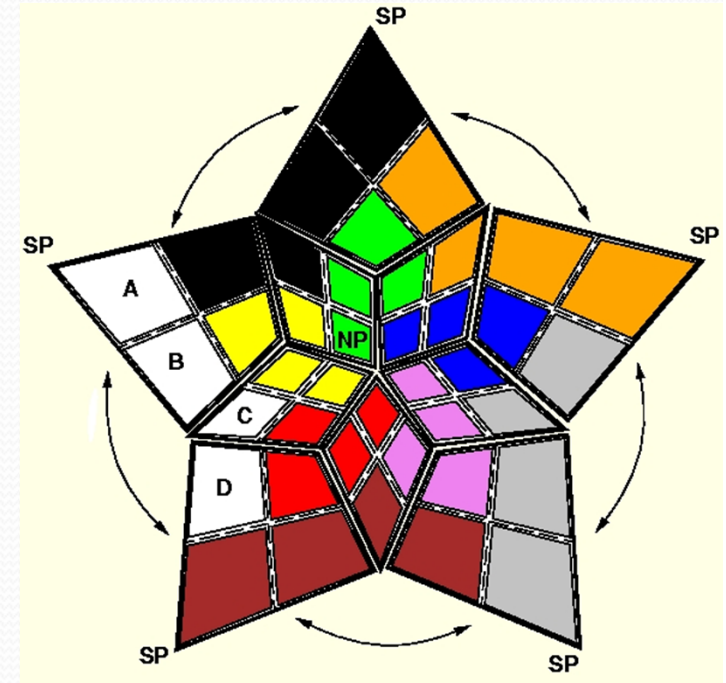


Non-homogeneous grid

Basic research for the post-Petaflops(2)

- Trends of architecture and problem
 - Many core / narrow band width per core
 - Interconnection topology
 - A kind of crossbar is unrealistic.
 - I/O bottle neck
 - Fault tolerance
- Question : Getting a good scalability on future machine?
 - NICAM is basically built up, suitable to massively parallel computer.
 - However, is it true on the future computer system?
 - Reconstruction of dynamical core both in the viewpoints of numerical scheme and computer environment

Post-NICAM or NICAM version 2



Schematic figure of 2d-decomposition of NICAM

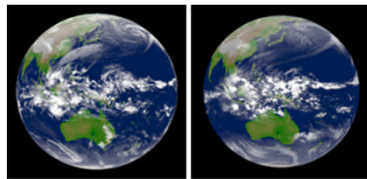
気候科学分野

モデル精緻化

全球雲解像手法の幕開け

熱帯雲擾乱の階層構造、相互作用の理解

- 全球の積乱雲(深い雲)を直接解像
- 水平解像度数km/鉛直54層



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NICAM3.5km計算

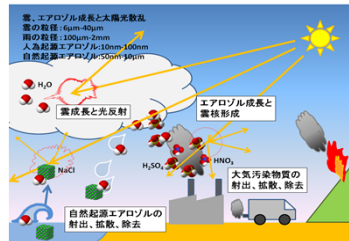
モデル高解像度化

物理過程モデル高度化による雲・放射・エアロゾルフィードバックの理解

精緻化モデルコンポーネント

- マルチモーメント/ピン雲微物理
- 3D放射スキーム
- 詳細エアロゾルモデル
- 大気化学モデル

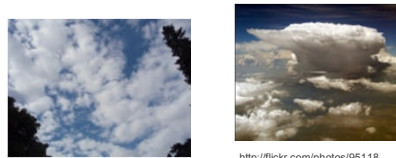
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空間高解像度化による雲の力学特性の更なる理解

真の「全球雲システム解像実験」

- 全球水平1km以下、鉛直100層
- 積乱雲の表現向上
- 境界雲の表現向上



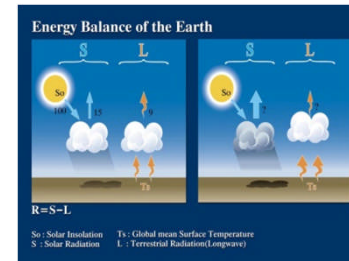
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物理過程が精緻化されたモデルによる雲の気候感度の信頼度の高い見積もり

長期間積分

- 高度化されたコンポーネントによる長期間積分。

- 正確な雲放射強制力の把握
- 将来気候ではどうなる？



高度化された物理過程を含む全球超高解像モデル

- 全球水平・鉛直50mの超高解像度
- 全球雲解像と精緻化された物理による大気をまるごとLarge Eddy Simulation
- 細かな雲まで直接解像。
- 信頼度高い気候変動予測への期待

2010

2015

2020

0.1 PF

1-10 PF

100 PF

1000 PF

複合系気候科学研究
チーム主導のアプリケーション

先端的
気象・気候シミュレーションコードの
プロトタイプ
—基盤ライブラリーの有効性実証—

ポストペタスケールに耐えうる
気候アプリケーション
基盤ライブラリー
格子系、離散化手法、通信トポ
ロジー、データ構造等基盤構築

高効率かつ可読性のある
大規模並列化プログラミン
グの研究

大規模データI/Oの高速
化、計算ノード障害時の復
旧対策

ポストペタスケールを睨んだ
革新的システムアーキテクチャ開発

気候シミュレーション
コミュニティへの提
供

新しい
計算スキーム
アルゴリズム
の開発

計算科学分野
チームとの連携

計算機科学分野
チームとの連携

Summary

- Computational Climate Science Research Team:
 - Suggests the strategy of climate modeling in the future computer environment (post-peta scale)
 - Tightly collaborating with computer science researcher, we will reconstruct the prototype of modeling framework.
 - E.g. tackling to problem of scalability, I/O, and fault tolerance
 - Develop the advanced algorithm of climate model
 - Sophisticates physical components such as radiation, aerosol, cloud microphysics, and chemistry
 - Precise assessment of role of clouds in the climate, including the aerosol direct/indirect effects.

Feedback and provide our knowledge and results to climate/meteorological community.