

Water vapor budgets in Track 1 and Track 5

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Analysis of the budget for temperature, moisture and condensate



- Forecast runs:
 - understand how we attain this balance

Outline

- Motivation
- Track 1 🗇 Track 5
- Water vapor budget equations
- Budget in global annual means
- Budget in specific regions
- Conclusions

What are Track 1 and Track 5?

- Track 1 = cam3.5.1
 - Deep convection: Neale-Richter (2008)
 - Microphysics: Rasch-Kristjansson (1998)
 - Boundary layer: Holtslag-Boville (1993)
 - Shallow convection: Hack (1993)
 - Bulk Aerosol Model (BAM)
 - Radiation: CAMRT
- Track 5 = cam4
 - Deep convection: Neale-Ritcher (2008)
 - Microphysics: Morrison and Gettelman (2008)
 - Boundary layer: Bretherton and Park (2009)
 - Shallow convection: Park and Bretherton (2009)
 - Modal Aerosol Model (MAM): Ghan and Liu
 - Radiation: RRTMG: lacono et al (2008)





Water vapor budget



Global annual means: q profiles and tendencies



Global annual mean: physics tendencies break-up



Budget terms in various regimes

Transition

• Storm Tracks

Tropical land

•ITCZ

• Arctic



CERES2, JJA

http://www.cgd.ucar.edu/cms/hannay/internal/cam4_dev/budgets/t1_t5/Budget_t1_t5.html

Stratocumulus



Transition region



Conclusion and future work

- Budgets help to understand the balance that controls the climate
- Water vapor tendencies are very different in Track 1 and 5, even when the states in the two tracks are similar.

A major difference is in the shallow convective tendencies, which are globally stronger in Track 5 than Track 1

The drying of the upper troposphere is driven by different processes:

- Track1: shallow convection scheme (unrealistic)
- Track5: macro+micro (reflects new ice microphysics)

In the stratocumulus regions, there is an unrealistically large contribution from the shallow convection scheme in Track 1

Next, we will look at :

- the temperature, liquid and ice budgets
- forecast runs:
 - understand how we attain this balance

- allows direct comparison of the parameterized variables (e.g. clouds) with observations from field campaigns