



# *Low resolution CAM*

*-Preliminary results & future plans  
(from AMWG February 2008)*

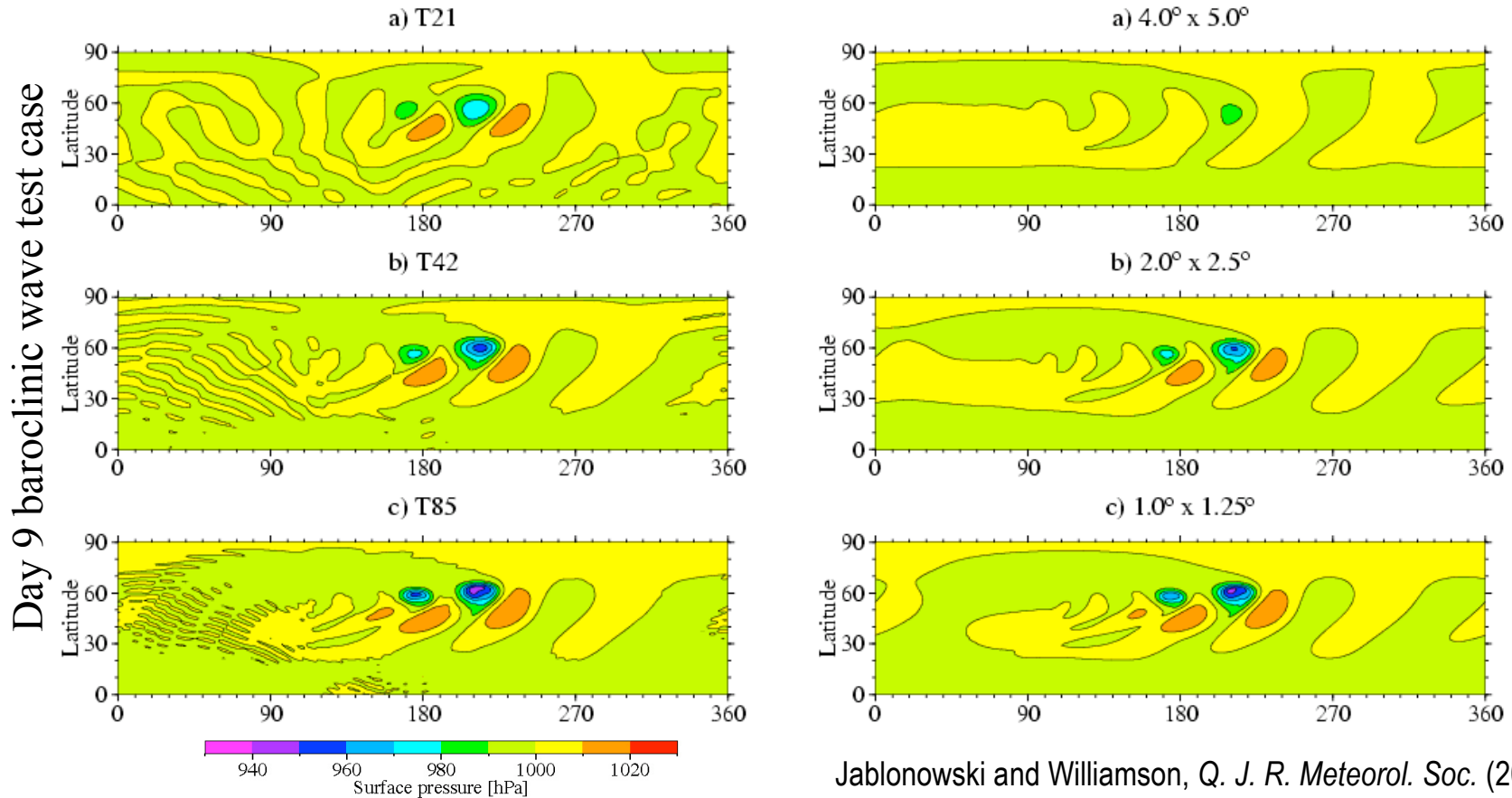
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**In idealized tests (adiabatic baroclinic wave and aquaplanet with physics)**

- EUL-T85 is equivalent to FV-1.0x1.25
- EUL-T42 is equivalent to FV-2.0x2.50
- EUL-T21 is NOT equivalent to FV-4.0x5.0

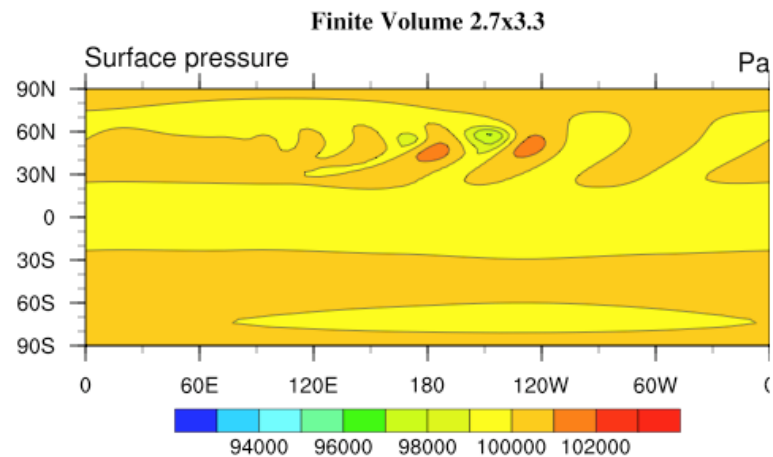
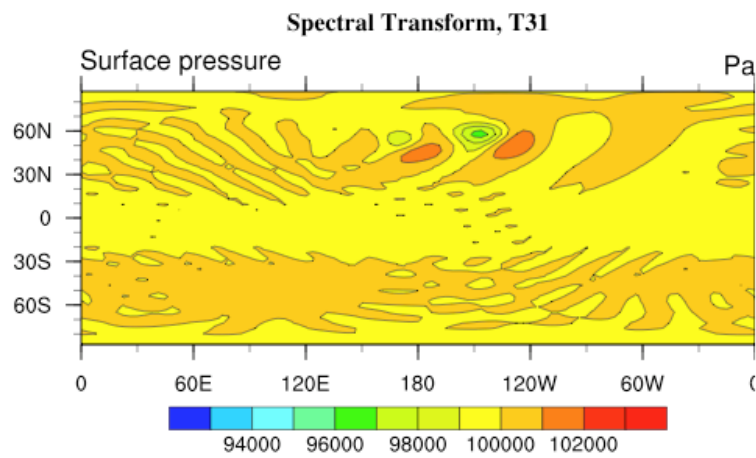
Williamson (2008)



Jablonowski and Williamson, *Q. J. R. Meteorol. Soc.* (2006)

**EUL-T31 dynamical core is currently used for low resolution CCSM applications**

**Is there a FV resolution that is equivalent to EUL-T31?**



Day 9 baroclinic wave test case

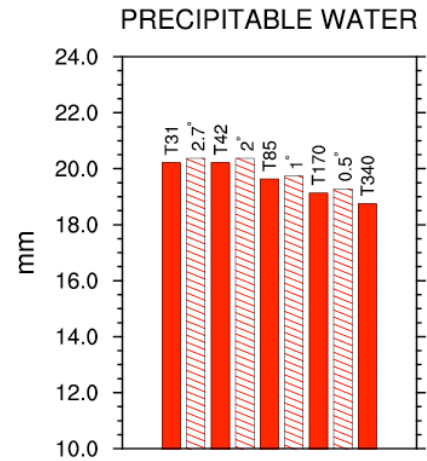
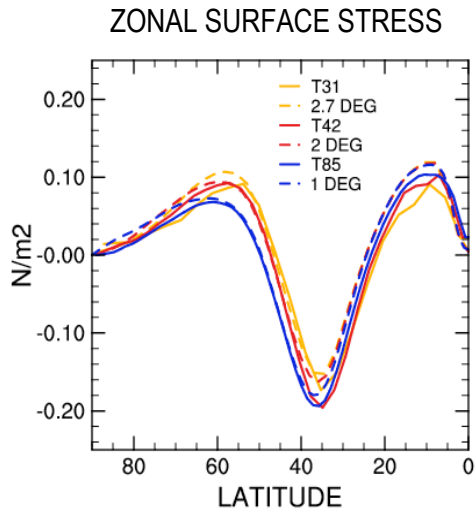
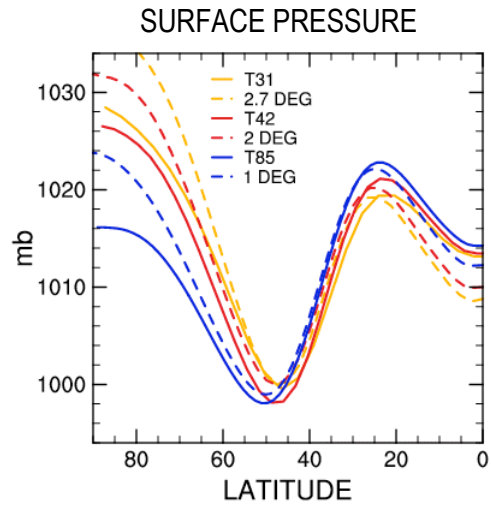


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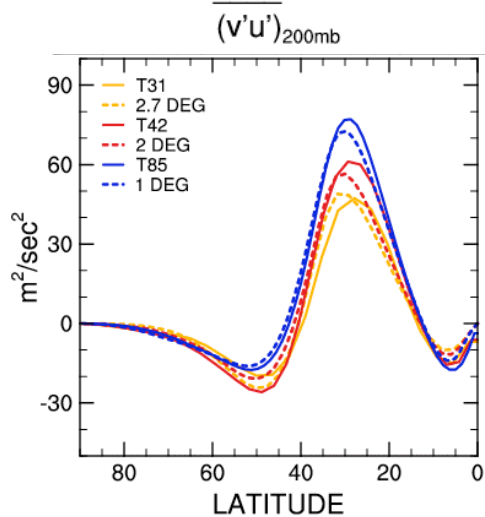
# Aqua-planet simulations (Neale & Hoskins, 2000)

Time average, zonal average for PS and surface stress

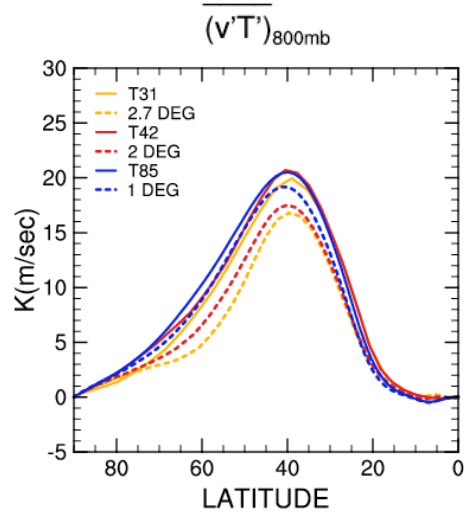
Time average, global average



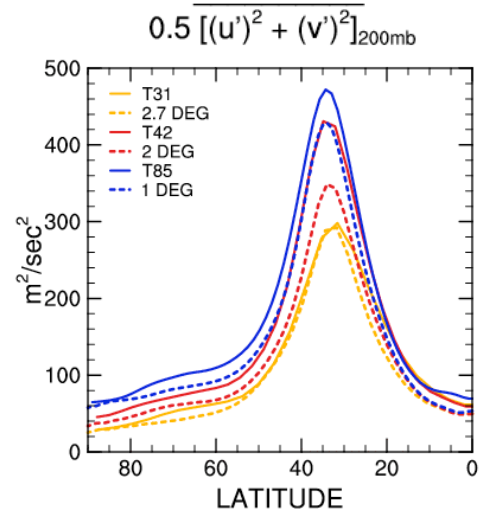
Zonal average meridional eddy statistics



Meridional eddy momentum flux

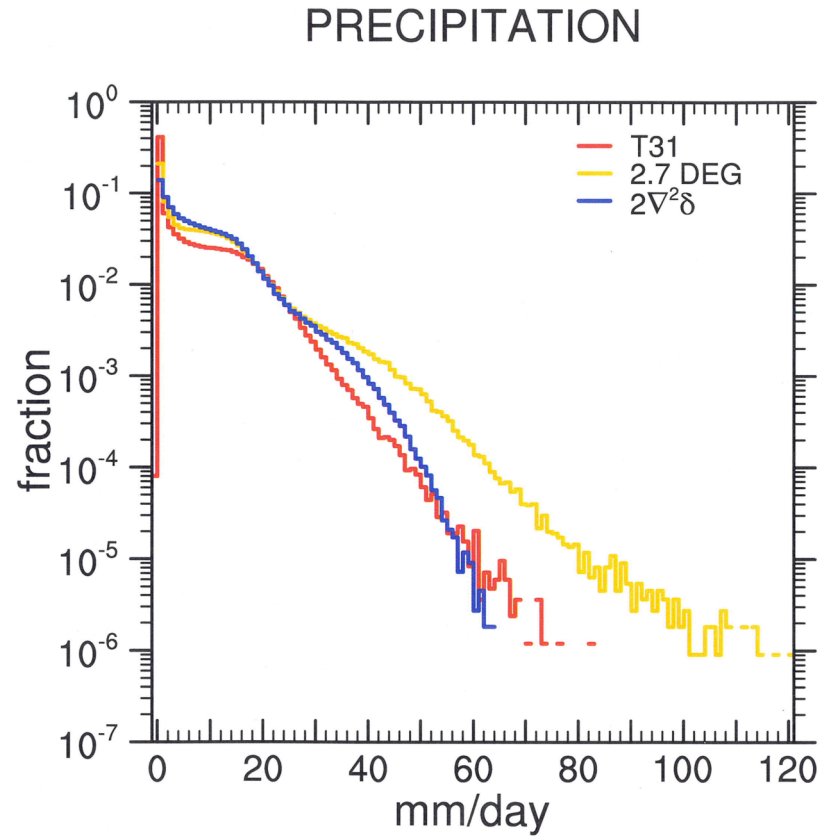


Meridional eddy heat flux



Eddy kinetic energy

# “Tweak” for low resolution CAM



Fraction of time precipitation is in  
1 mm/day bins ranging from  
0 to 120 mm d<sup>-1</sup>

**Doubling the divergence damping coefficients reduced the variability to T31 levels**

# Efficiency

## Standalone CAM using 3.5 physics (not idealized)

- FV-2.7x3.3 is approximately 55% more expensive than EUL-T31
- FV-2.7x3.3 is approximately 54% less expensive than FV1.9x2.5.

### **Settings**

FV-2.7x3.3 : dt = 30 min. (10 min. dynamics dt)

FV-1.9x2.5 : dt = 30 min. (7.5 min. dynamics dt)

EUL-T31 : dt = 30 min.

Default IO settings, 30 day run on one node on Bluevista

# Plans

- CCSM: T31 atmosphere (spectral transform dynamical core) and 3 degree ocean version exists and works “well”.
- Will attempt to assemble low resolution CCSM model with the finite-volume dynamical core for the atmosphere using track 1 physics (CAM3.5+).

Timeline: Fall 2009