Breakout Group I

Identification of specific weather phenomena which couple strongly to climate and for which a subgrid model is necessary

What is climate?

- ► Global vs. regional
- Time scales
- Spatial scales
- Statistics
- ► Application-specific requirements

Quantification of importance

- Nesting
- Feedback analysis
- ► Simple comparisons/parameter sensitivity studies
- Downscaling
- ► Nearly resolved vs. impossible to resolve
- Hierarchy of (older/simplified) models: numerical continuation and bifurcation analysis

Processes

Mean	Var.	Tails	Process
G	G	G	Boundary layer state (for tropical convection; upscale processes)
G	G	G	Convection (moisture transport; momentum transport; mesoscale convective systems; convectively coupled waves; MJO)
G	G	R	Baroclinic eddies
?	-	G	Hurricanes/cyclones (ocean mixing; evaporation; transport of water to stratosphere)
R	G	R	Diurnal cycle (propagation of convection; boundary layer)
G	-	G	Surface fluxes (ocean-air)
G	G	G	Cloud microphysics
G	-	G	Gravity waves

- $\bm{G} \Rightarrow \mathsf{important\ globally}$
- $\textbf{R} \Rightarrow \text{important}$ in some regions
- $\textbf{?} \Rightarrow \mathsf{unknown}$
- \Rightarrow not important, as far as we can tell