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Cumulus Convection Scheme for Gray Zone

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Background

- ◆ Grid size of some operational global NWP models is now in gray zone (2km ~20km).

JMA: 20km

ECMWF: 15km

NCEP: 13km

- ◆ Even when CRMs are available for short range forecasts, we need gray zone models for longer range forecasts or ensemble forecasts.
- ◆ We need a good convection scheme for gray zone.

Cumulus parameterization scheme calculates Q_1 and Q_2 .

$$Q_1 \equiv \frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial t} + \bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla \bar{s} + \bar{w} \frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial z} = Q_R + \frac{1}{\rho} L(\bar{c} - \bar{e}) - \nabla \cdot \overline{s' \mathbf{v}'} - \frac{\partial \overline{s' w'}}{\partial z}$$

$$-Q_2 \equiv L \left(\frac{\partial \bar{q}}{\partial t} + \bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla \bar{q} + \bar{w} \frac{\partial \bar{q}}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{1}{\rho} L(\bar{c} - \bar{e}) - L \nabla \cdot \overline{q' \mathbf{v}'} - L \frac{\partial \overline{q' w'}}{\partial z}$$

tend

hadv

vadv

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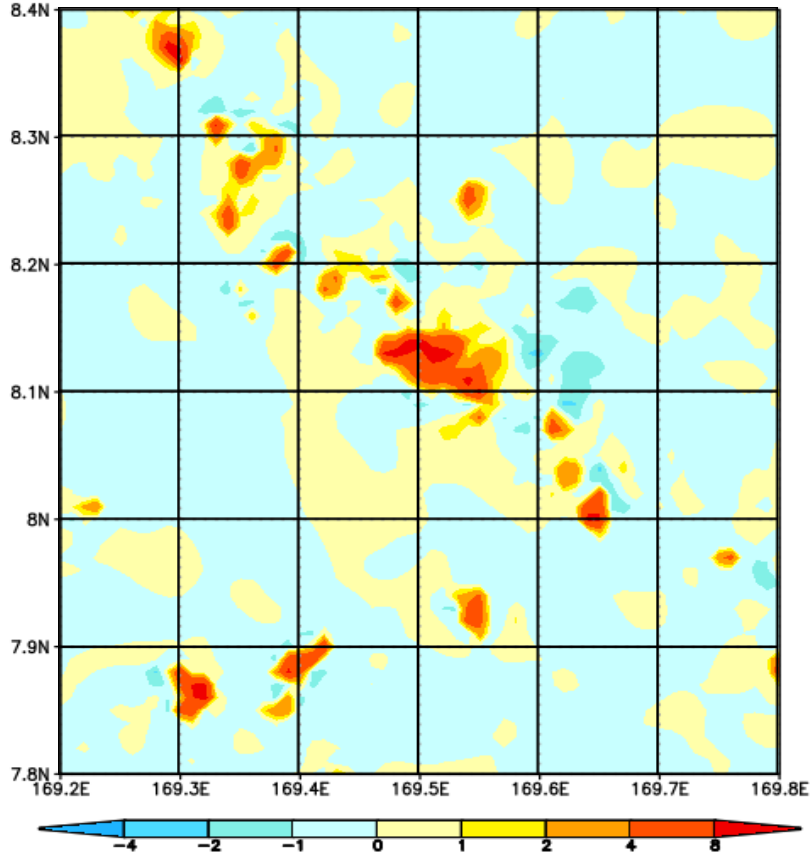
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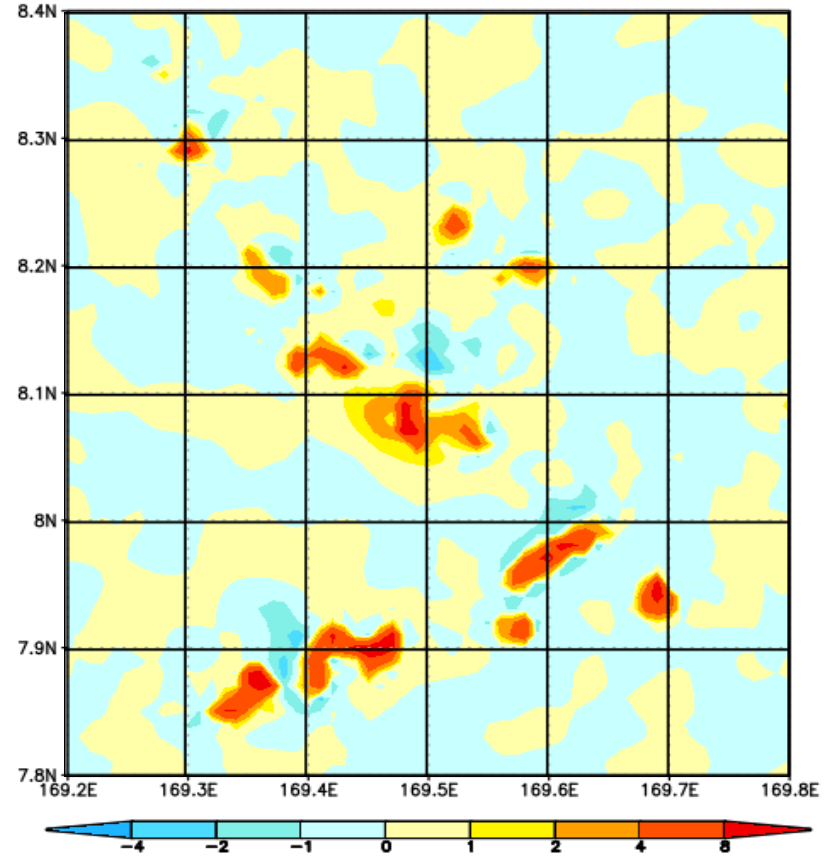
$$Q_1 - Q_2 = Q_F + Q_R - \nabla \cdot \overline{h' \mathbf{v}'} - \frac{\partial \overline{h' w'}}{\partial z} \quad h = s + Lq$$

W at Z=4920m 60kmx60km area in NHM-1km experiment

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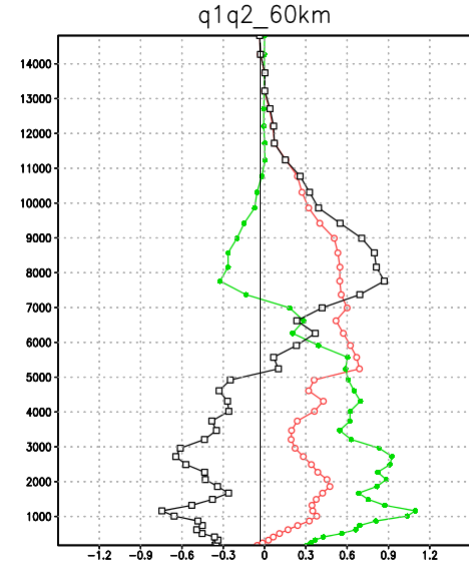
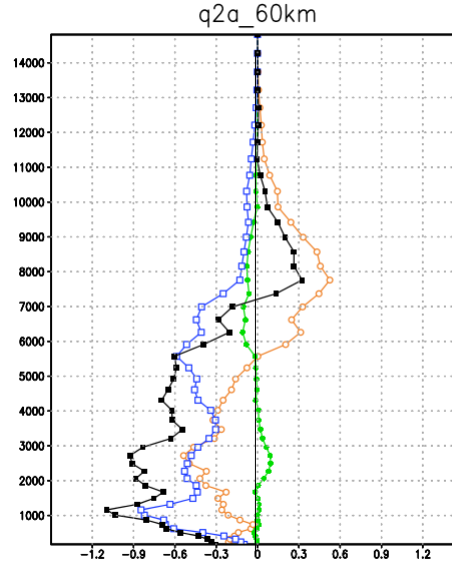
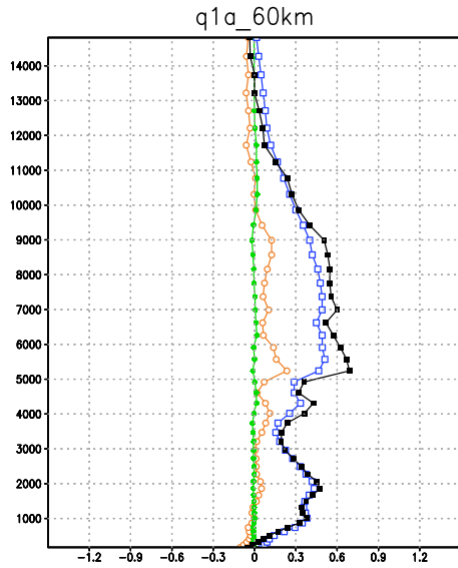


Q1 and Q2 60km

Q1

-Q2

Q1-Q2



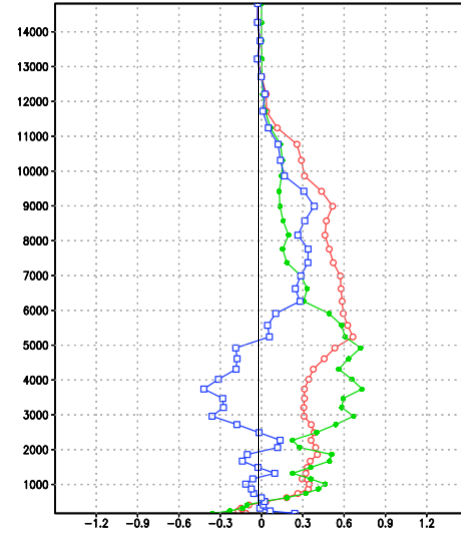
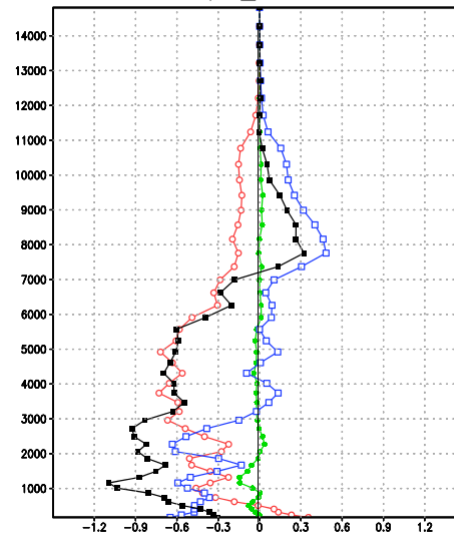
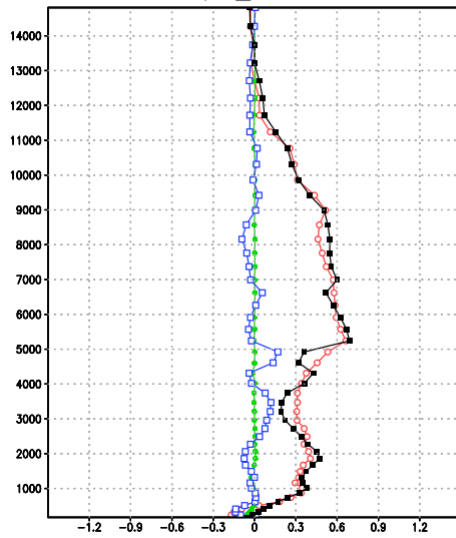
tend
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Q1
Q2

q1b_60km

q2b_60km

q1q2_60km



source
hedt
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Qc
Qfr
Qcfr

Q1 and Q2

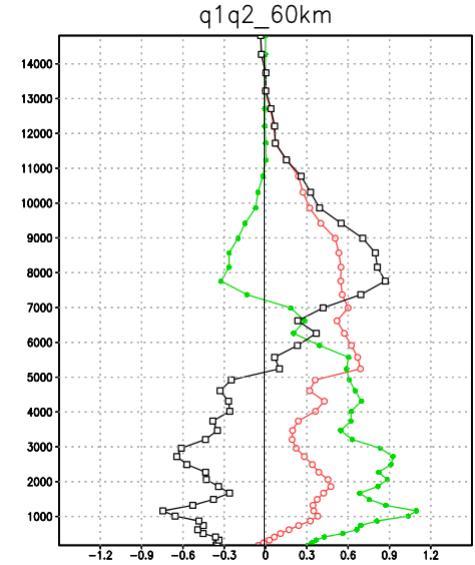
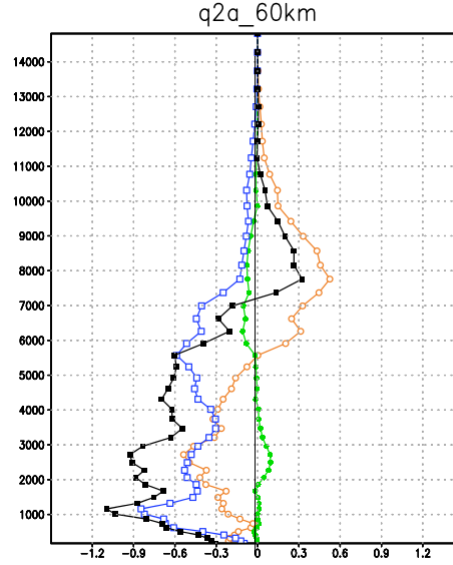
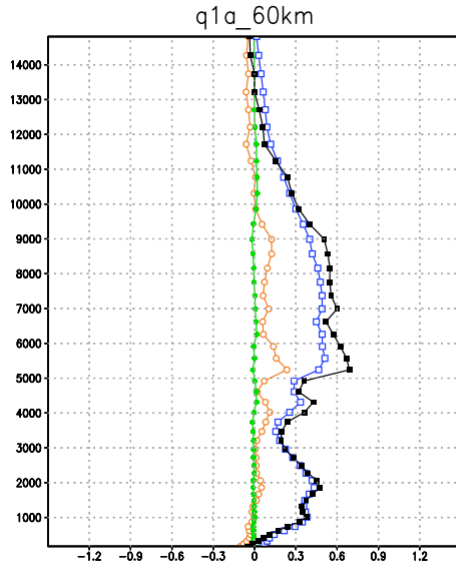
60km vs 5km (1)

Q1 tend hadv vadv

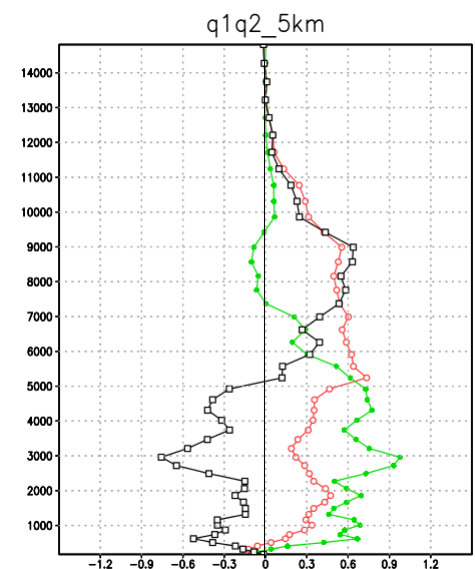
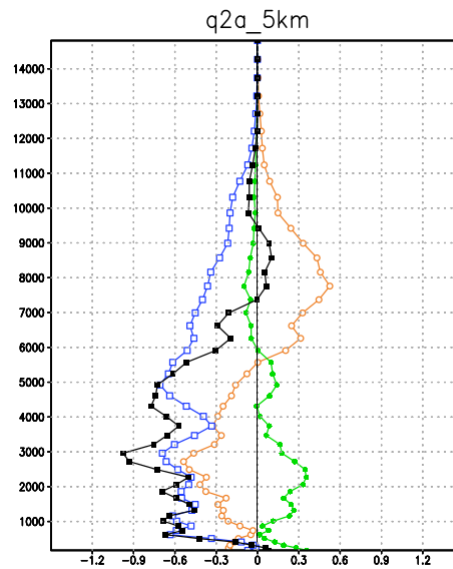
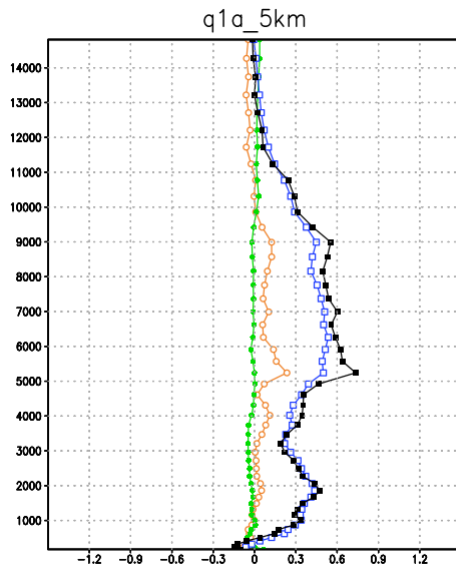
-Q2 tend hadv vadv

Q1 Q2 Q1-Q2

60km
mean



5km
mean



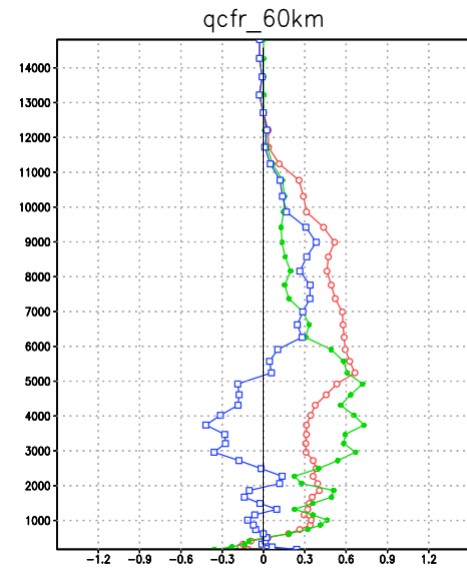
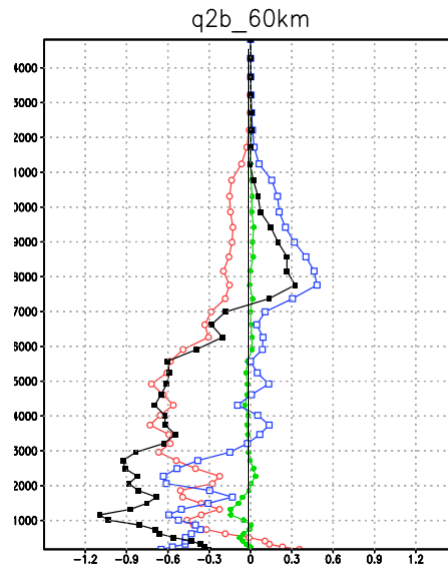
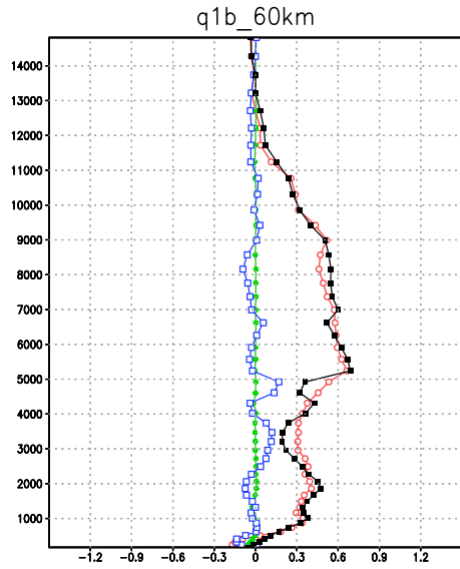
Q1 and Q2 60km vs 5km (2)

Q1 source hedt vedt

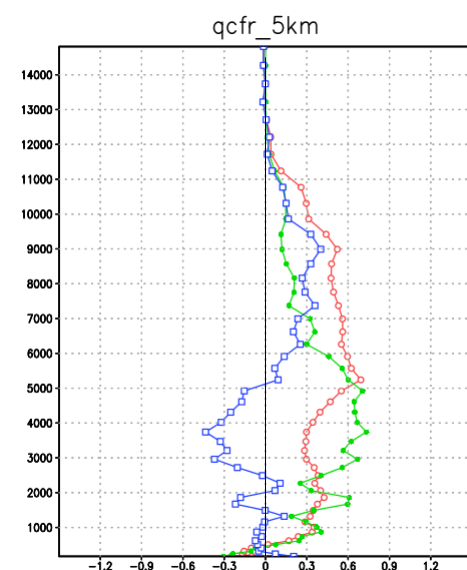
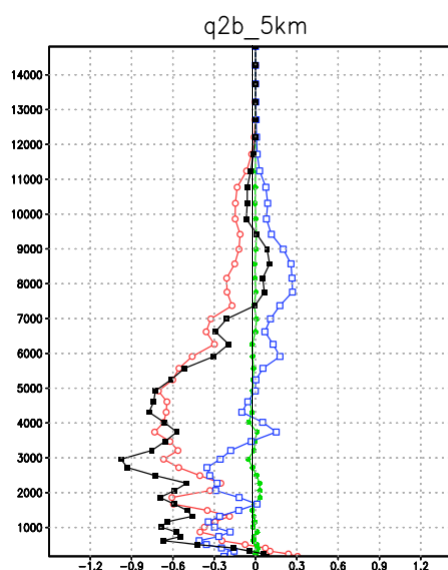
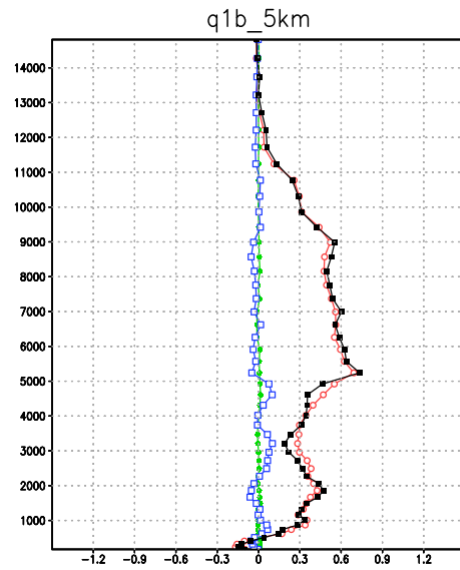
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Qcfr Qc Qfr

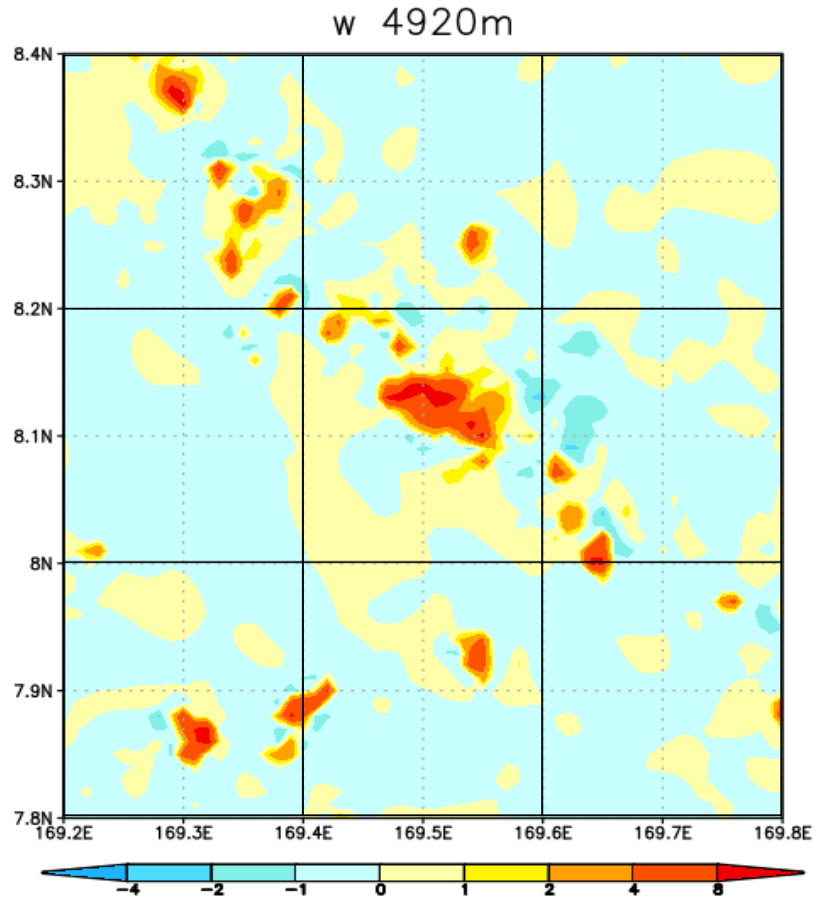
60km
mean



5km
mean



60km → 20km



Q1 and Q2

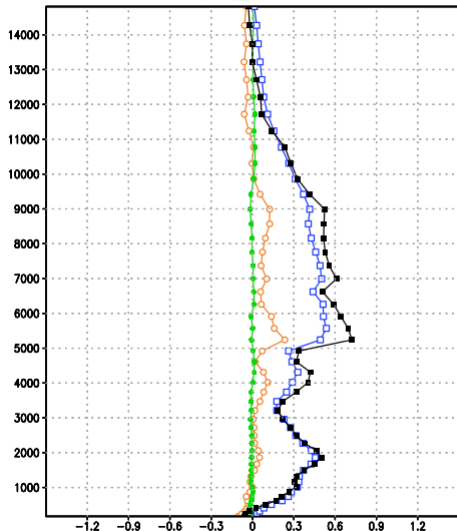
20km mean vs active (1)

Q1 tend hadv vadv

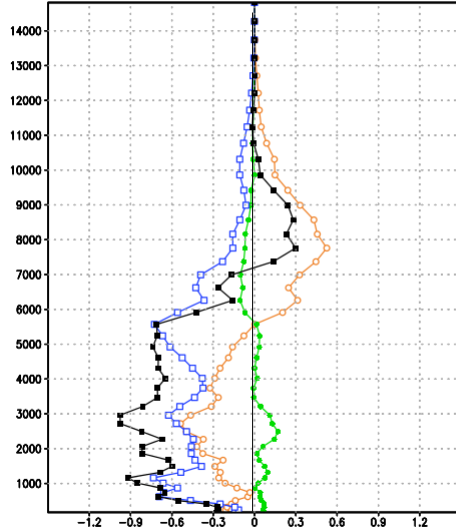
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Q1 Q2 Q1-Q2

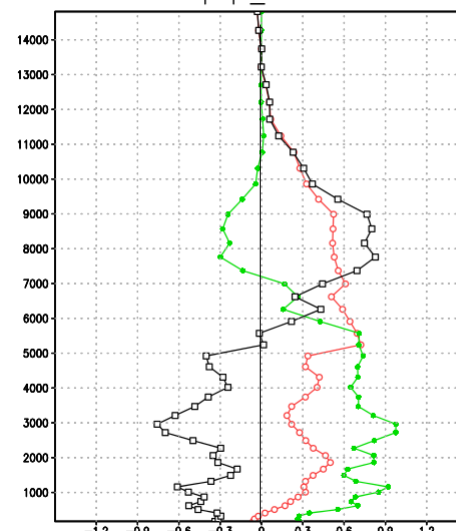
q1a_20km



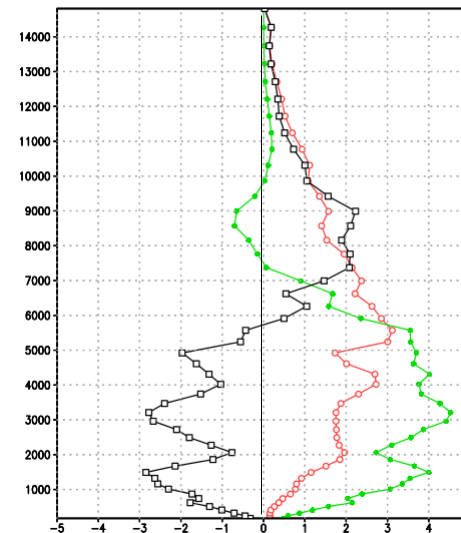
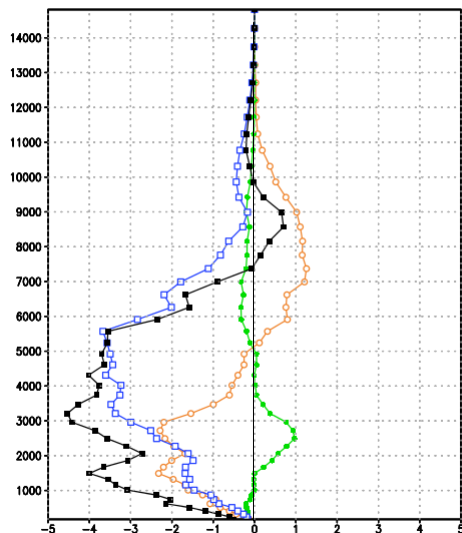
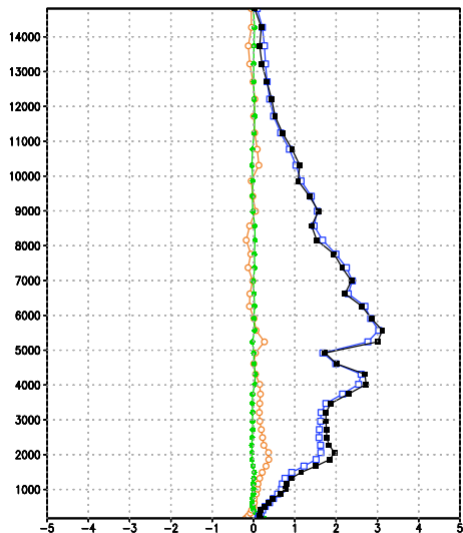
q2a_20km



q1q2_20km



20km
mean



20km
active

Q1 and Q2

20km mean vs active (2)

Q1 source hedt vedt

-Q2 source hedt vedt

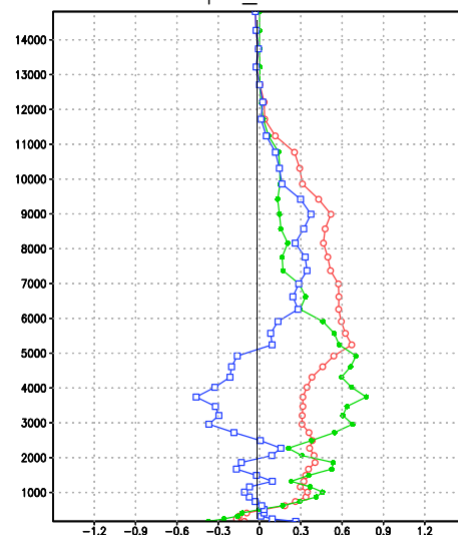
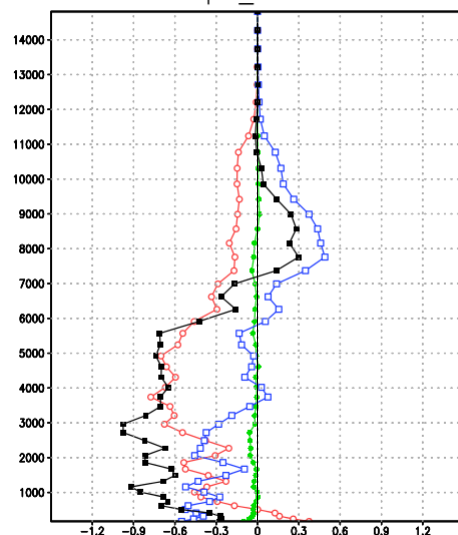
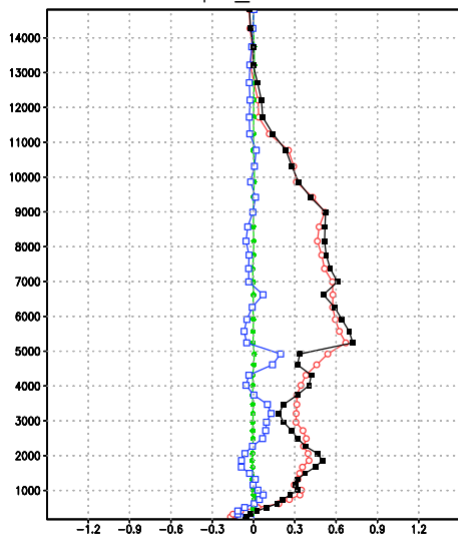
Qcfr Qc Qfr

q1b_20km

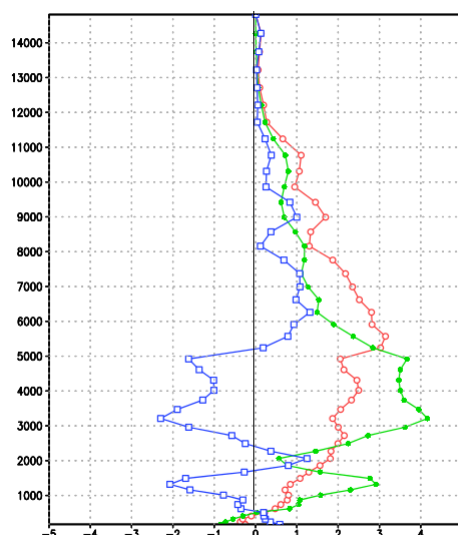
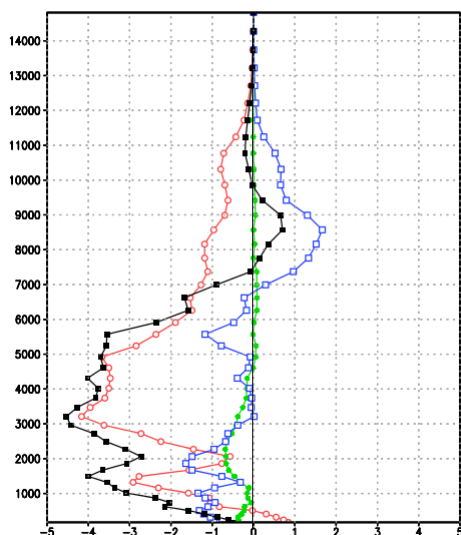
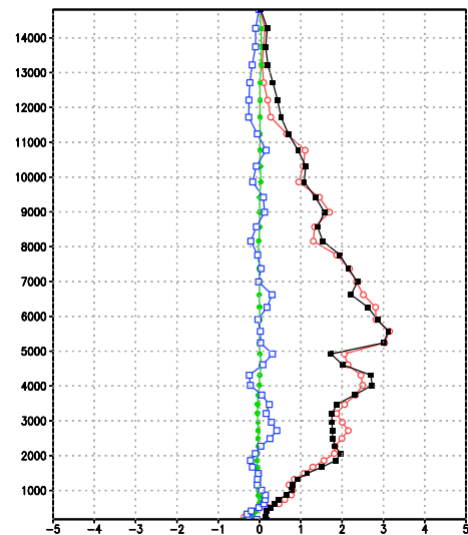
q2b_20km

qcf_20km

20km
mean



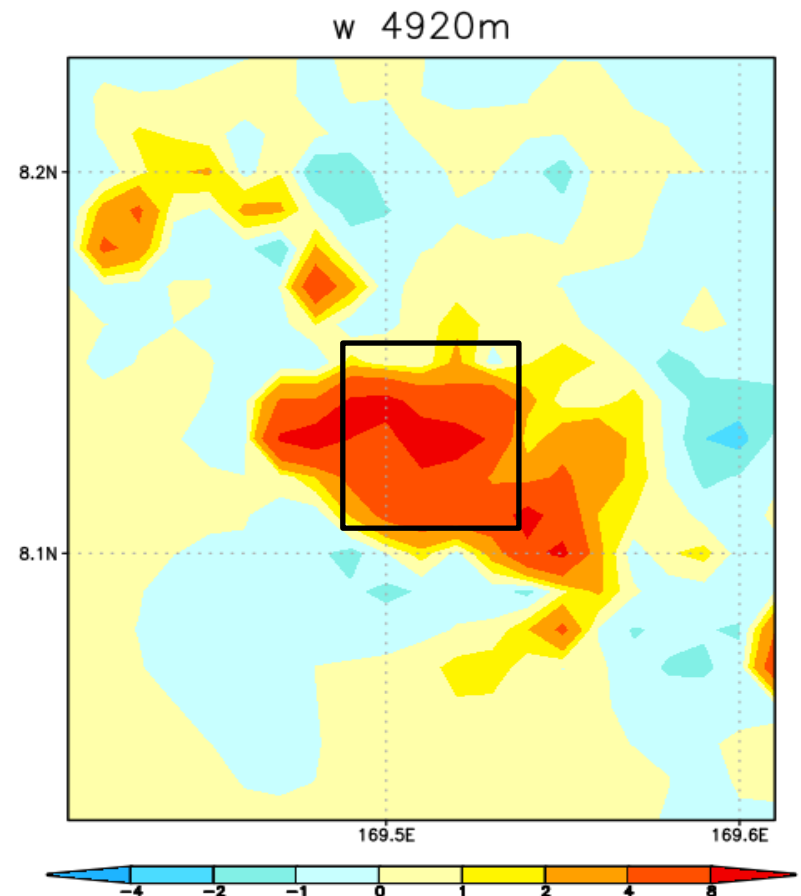
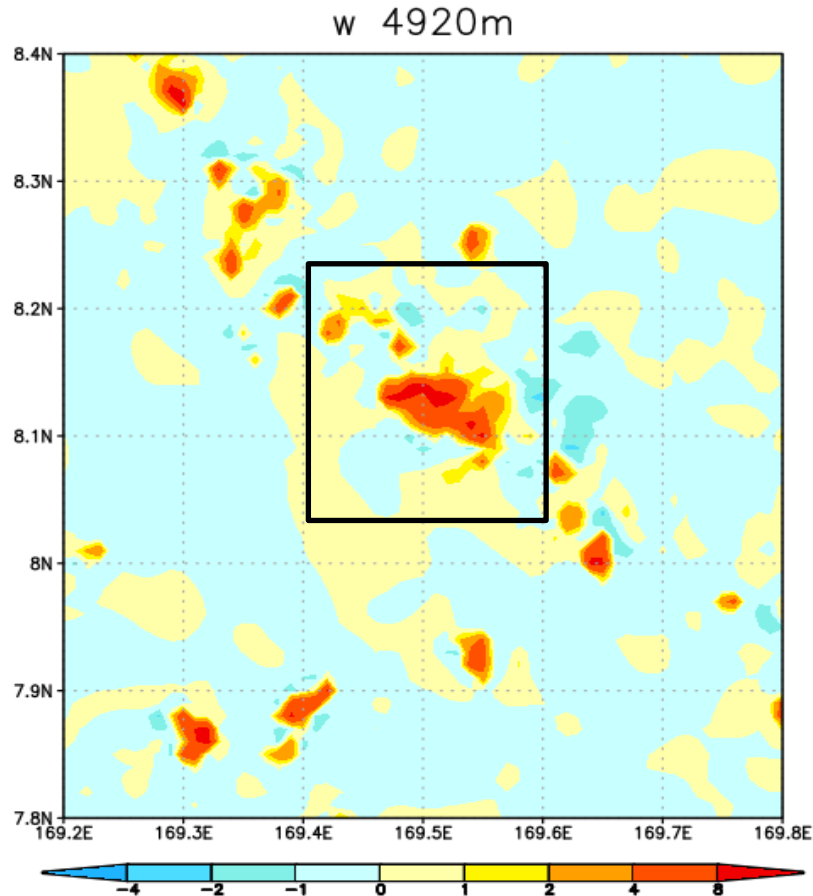
20km
active



Q1 and Q2 for most active regions

60km → 20km

20km → 5km



Q1 and Q2

20km vs 5km (1)

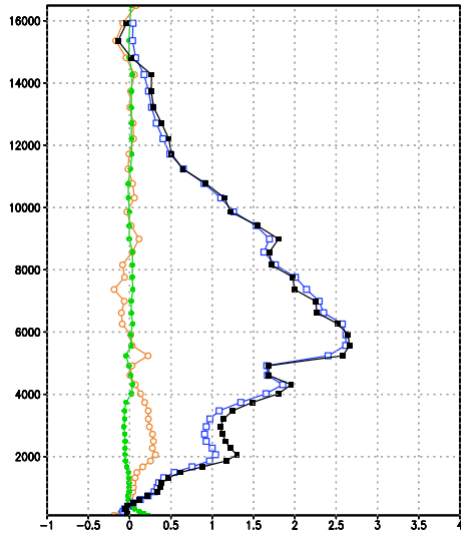
Q1 tend hadv vadv

-Q2 tend hadv vadv

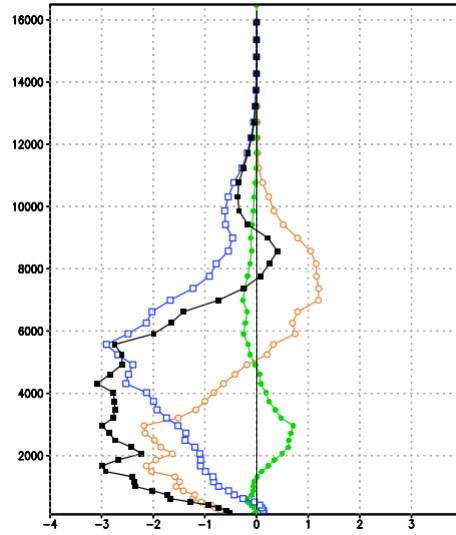
Q1 Q2 Q1-Q2

20km active

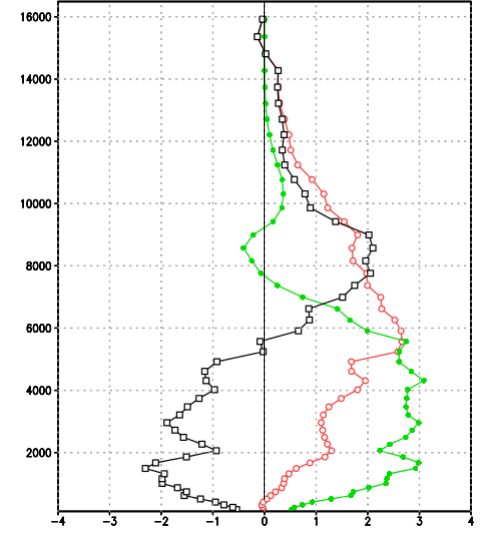
20km Q1



20km -Q2

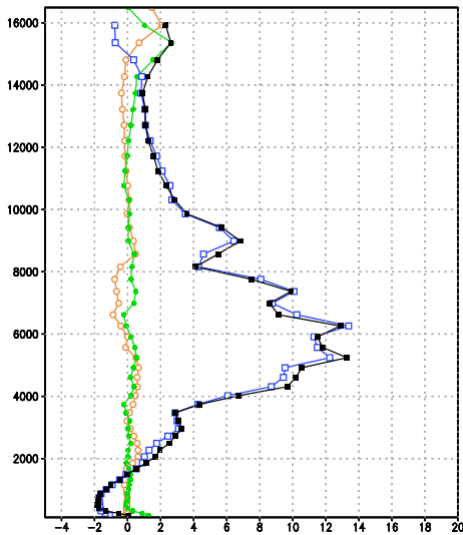


20km Q1-Q2

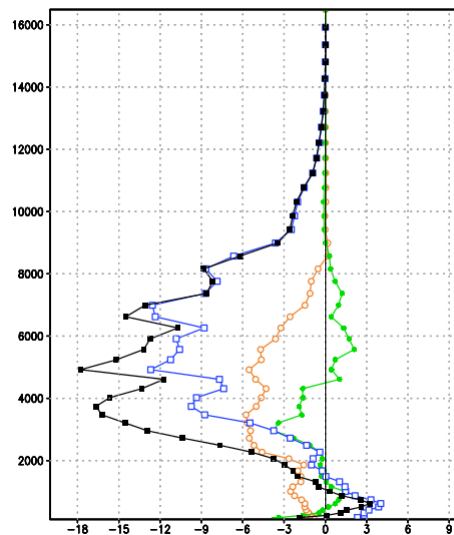


5km active

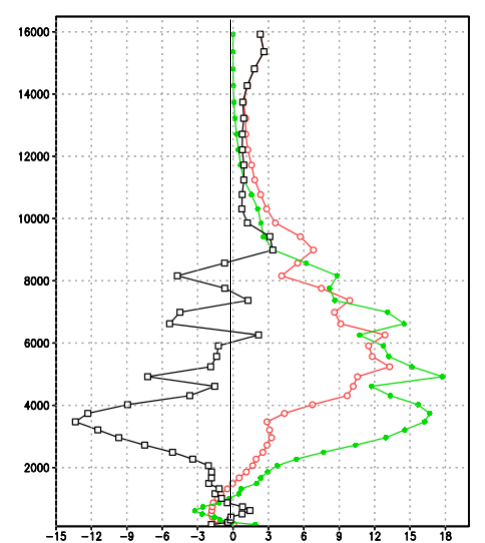
5km Q1



5km -Q2



5km Q1-Q2



Q1 and Q2

20km vs 5km (2)

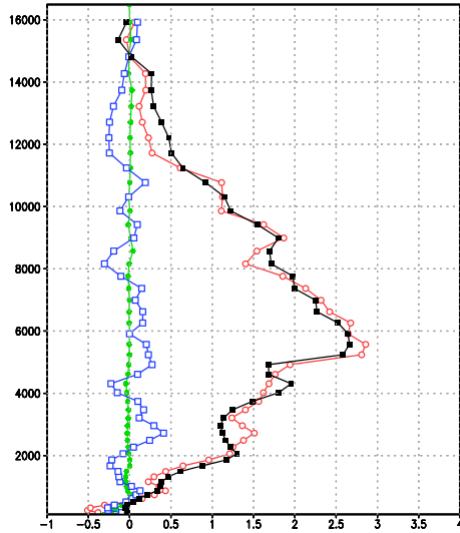
Q1 source hedt vedt

-Q2 source hedt vedt

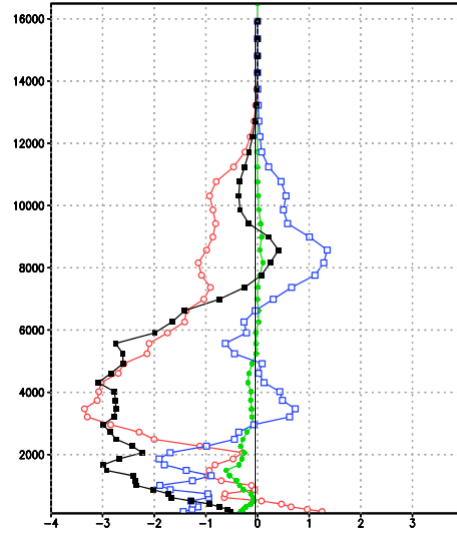
Qcfr Qc Qfr

20km active

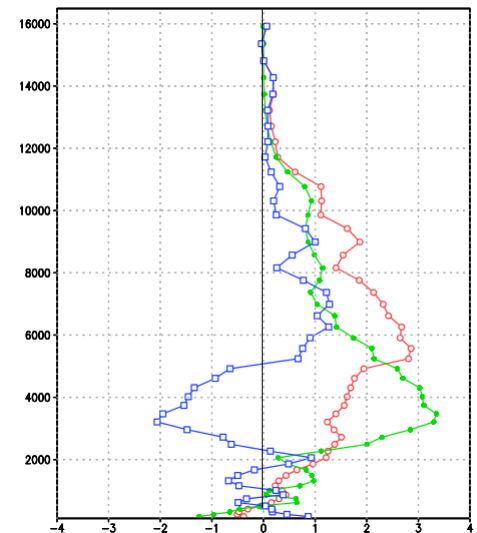
20km Q1



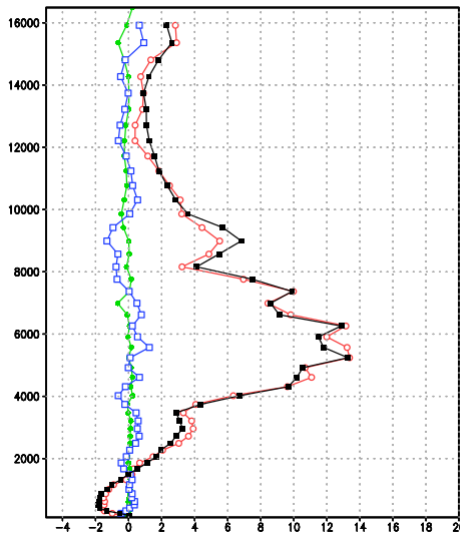
20km -Q2



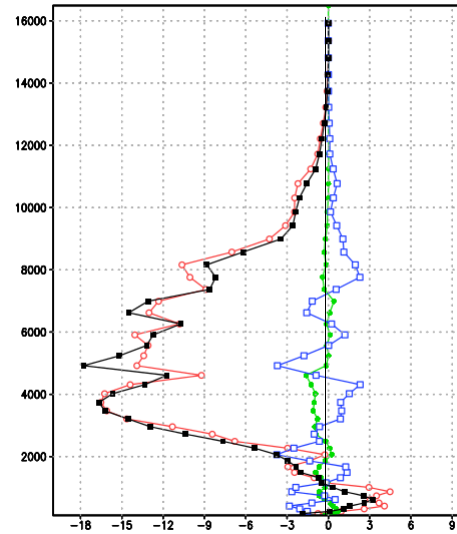
20km Qcfr



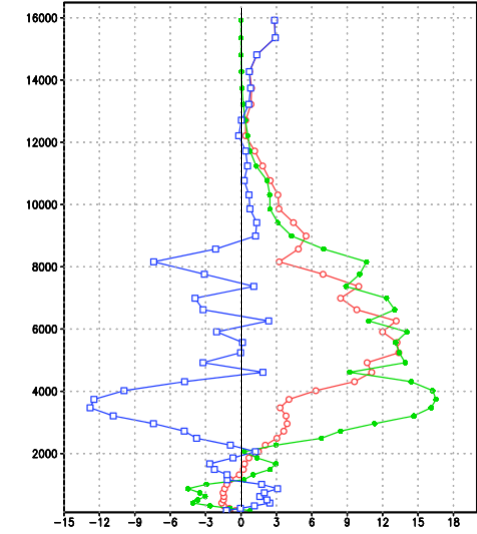
5km Q1



5km -Q2



5km Qcfr



5km active

Summary

- ◆ Temperature tendency term in Q1 is small, but moisture tendency in Q2 is not small. Cumulus convections substantially change moisture field.
- ◆ Major part of Q1-Q2 is EDT of moisture, but contribution from Qfr (freezing-melting) is also significant.
- ◆ In active convection regions, relative contribution of EDT terms to the Q1 and Q2 decreases as the resolution increases. However, even at 5km resolution EDT is not negligible, and a parameterization is needed.