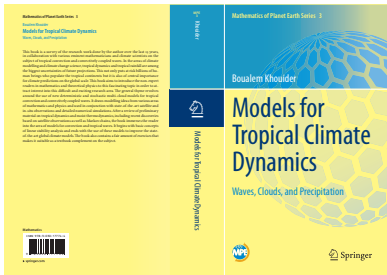


# Stochastic Lattice Models for Clouds and Parameterization of Organized Convection

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- ▶ Lecture 1: Stochastic modelling, Markov processes, Theory and Simulation (9 am - 10:30 am); Chapter 4 and Section 10.2.
- ▶ Lecture 2: The stochastic multicloud model (11 am - 12:30 pm) ; Chapter 10: Sections 10.3 to 10.6
- ▶ Hands-on activities (2:30 pm - 3:45 pm):
- ▶ Lecture 3: Waves and convective organization in the SMCM (4:00 pm - 5:15 pm) ; Chapter 11.

# Lecture 1

## Monte Carlo Simulation, Markov Chains, and the Birth-Death Process

- Discrete-time Markov chains

- Limiting distribution and detailed balance

- Random Walk

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# Monte Carlo Simulation

- ▶ Markov Chain Monte Carlo: sample from complex or unknown distribution (Steward 1994; Robert and Cassella 2007)
- ▶ Construct a Markov process whose equilibrium distribution is the target distribution
- ▶ First need to generate random numbers. The typical command "rand" generates pseudo-random numbers; periodic sequences of floating-point numbers with very large periods!
- ▶ Monte Carlo Integration

# Monte Carlo Integration

► **Law of large numbers:**

$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, n \geq 2$  I.I.D's with common mean  $\mu$  and common standard deviation,  $\sigma$ .

Sample mean: 
$$\mu \approx \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j. \quad (1)$$

$E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu$  (unbiased estimation).

$$\text{Var}[\bar{X}_n] = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \text{Var}[X_j] = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$
 Slow Convergence:  $O(1/\sqrt{n})$

► For integrals on  $[0,1]$ :

$$I = \int_0^1 g(x) dx = E[g(U)], U \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1]).$$

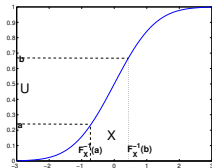
► For general  $\int_a^b h(x) dx$ ?  $[a, b]$  can be infinite!

# Sampling arbitrary distributions

- ▶ **Inverse transform method:** for a pdf  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ . CDF is a uniform distribution.

$$U = F_X(X) = \int_{-\infty}^X f_X(x) dx \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1])$$

Conversely  $X = F^{-1}(U) \sim f$  :



$$P(\{X \leq x\}) = P(\{F^{-1}(U) \leq x\}) = P(\{U \leq F(x)\}) = F(x).$$

- ▶ **Acceptance-rejection:** When  $F(x)$  is not easy to invert:
  - ▶ Take a sample  $Y$  from  $g(x)$  such that  $Kg(x) \geq f(x)$ ;
  - ▶ Accept sample if  $U = G^{-1}(Y) \leq \frac{f(Y)}{Kg(Y)}$ , reject otherwise. $K$  sets the acceptance rate:  $K \sim 1/r$  (See Exercise 1.)

## Discrete-time Markov chains

- ▶ A sequence  $X_t$  of random variables is called a stochastic processes. Can be continuous or discrete.
- ▶ Discrete Markov chain (Markov/ memoryless property)

$$P\{X_{n+1} = x_j | X_n = x_i, X_{n-1} = x_k, \dots, X_0 = x_l\} = P\{X_{n+1} = x_j | X_n = x_i\}$$

- ▶ Homogeneous or stationary Markov chain:

$$P\{X_{n+1} = x_j | X_n = x_i\} \equiv P\{X_1 = x_j | X_0 = x_i\}$$

- ▶ Transition Probability Matrix

$$P = [P_{ij}]_{i,j \geq 0} = P\{X_{n+1} = x_j | X_n = x_i\}$$

- ▶  $P$  is a stochastic matrix: rows sum to 1 & entries  $\geq 0$ .
- ▶ Chapman-Kolmogorov

$$P_{ij}^{(n+m)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{ik}^{(n)} P_{kj}^{(m)}, i, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(n-step transition matrix)  $P^{(n)} = P^n = P \times P \times \dots \times P$ .

## Equilibrium Distribution, Time reversibility, detailed balance and limiting distribution

- ▶ A Markov chain is in equilibrium if  $\text{Prob}\{X_n = x_j\} = \text{Prob}\{X_m = x_j\}$ ,  $n \neq m$ .
- ▶ Limiting distribution  $\pi_j = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Prob}\{X_n = x_j | X_0 = x_i\} \equiv (P^n)_{ij}$
- ▶ When  $\pi_j$  exists, it satisfies  $\pi_j = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \pi_i P_{ij}$  or  $\pi = \pi P$ .
- ▶ Consider reversed time process  $\dots, X_{n+1}, X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots$ 
  - ▶ It is a Markov chain with transition matrix

$$Q_{ij} \equiv P\{X_m = x_j | X_{m+1} = x_i\} = \frac{\pi_j}{\pi_i} P_{ji}.$$

- ▶ The Markov chain is reversible is said to be  $Q_{ij} = P_{ij}$

$$\iff \pi_i P_{ij} = \pi_j P_{ji} : \text{detailed balance}$$

i.e, in the long run the rates for transitions from  $i$  to  $j$  and back are equal.



# Random Walk

- ▶ Random steps to left or right ...  $M + 1$  positions:  
 $0, 1, 2, \dots, M$

$$P_{i,i+1} = \alpha_i, P_{i,i-1} = 1 - \alpha_i, i = 1, \dots, M-1; P_{0,1} = 1, P_{M,M-1} = 1.$$

- ▶ Limiting distribution Satisfies Detailed balance:

$$\pi_0 = (1 - \alpha_1)\pi_1, \pi_i \alpha_i = \pi_{i+1}(1 - \alpha_{i+1}), 1 \leq i \leq M-2, \pi_{M-1} \alpha_{M-1} = \pi_M.$$

- ▶ Equilibrium/limiting distribution:

$$\pi_0 = \left[ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^M \prod_{l=1}^j \frac{\alpha_{l-1}}{1 - \alpha_l} \right]^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_j = \pi_0 \prod_{l=1}^j \frac{\alpha_{l-1}}{1 - \alpha_l}.$$

- ▶ When  $\alpha_j = 0.5, j = 1, 2, \dots, M - 1$ , we get

$$\pi_0 = \pi_M = 1/2M \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_j = 1/M, \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq M - 1.$$

## Poisson process

- ▶ A counting process  $N_t$  that counts the number of events of a certain type that occur by some time  $t > 0$ .
- ▶ Sequence of Poisson random variables with mean  $\lambda t$ .
- ▶ Time increments are (independent) Poisson random variables:

$$P\{N_{t+s} - N_t = k\} = P\{N_s - N_0 = k\} = P\{N_s = k\} = e^{-\lambda s} \frac{(\lambda s)^k}{k!}.$$

- ▶ For a small time increment:

$$P\{N_{t+h} - N_t = 1\} = \lambda h + o(h) \text{ and } P\{N_{t+h} - N_t \geq 2\} = o(h)$$

- ▶ Inter-arrival times ( $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$  time increments between successive events) are i.i.d exponential with parameter  $\lambda$  (mean  $1/\lambda$ : average waiting time between events).
- ▶ Event waiting times  $S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n T_j$  are  $\Gamma(n, \lambda)$
- ▶ Memoryless: Exponential is only distribution such that

$$P\{T > t + s\} = P\{X > t\}P\{X > s\}.$$

## Continuous time Markov Chains

- ▶ Stochastic process  $X_t$ ,  $t \in [0, +\infty)$  s.t. (Markov property)  
$$P\{X_{t+s} = x_j / X_s = x_i, X_u = x_u, 0 \leq u \leq s\} = P\{X_{t+s} = x_j / X_s = x_i\}.$$
- ▶ Homogeneous/stationary if for all  $s > 0$ ,

$$P\{X_{t+s} = x_j / X_s = x_i\} = P\{X_t = x_j / X_0 = x_i\} \equiv P_{i,j}(t)$$

transition probability matrix  $P(t)$ —( $P^n$  in the discrete case.)

- ▶ Waiting time is exponential R.V.  $\iff$  Markov property:

$$T_i = \inf\{s > 0 \text{ such that } X_{t+s} \neq x_i \text{ given that } X_t = x_i\}$$

- ▶ Times  $T_{ij}$  of transitions  $x_i \rightarrow x_j$  exponential R.V.'s.
- ▶ We have  $T_i = \min_{j \neq i} T_{ij}$ , by construction
- ▶ If we denote by  $q_{ij}$  the rates of the  $T_{ij}$ 's and  $v_i$  the rate of  $T_i$ , then  $v_i = \sum_{j \neq i} q_{ij}$ .
- ▶ For small time increment

$$P_{ii}(h) = P\{T_i > h\} = 1 - v_i h + o(h); \quad P_{ij}(h) = P\{T_{ij} < h\} = q_{ij} h + o(h).$$

- ▶ Infinitesimal generator matrix  $R = [R_{ij}]$ :

$$R_{ii} = -v_i \text{ and } R_{ij} = q_{ij}, \text{ when } i \neq j,$$

# Kolmogorov backward and forward equations

- ▶ Chapman-Kolmogorov equations

$$P_{ij}(t+h) - P_{ij}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{ik}(h)P_{kj}(t) - P_{ij}(t) = \sum_{k \neq i} P_{ik}(h)P_{kj}(t) - [1 - P_{ii}(h)]P_{ij}(t).$$

- ▶ Divide both sides by  $h$ ,  $h \rightarrow 0$  yields Backward equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{ij}(t) = \sum_{k \neq i} q_{ik} P_{kj}(t) - v_i P_{ij}(t).$$

- ▶ Equivalently C-K:  $P_{ij}(t+h) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{ik}(t)P_{kj}(h)$ , which yields

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{ij}(t) = \sum_{k \neq j} q_{kj} P_{ik}(t) - v_j P_{ij}(t) : \text{ Forward Eqns.}$$

- ▶ In matrix form

$$P' = RP \quad (\text{backward eqns.}); \quad \& P' = PR \quad (\text{forward eqns.})$$

- ▶ With initial conditions  $P_{ij}(0) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$  we have the solution

$$P(t) = \exp(tR) \quad (\text{Matrix exponential: Hard to evaluate when } R \text{ is large.})$$

## Limiting distribution and detailed balance

- ▶ Limiting distribution:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_{ij}(t) = P_j$ .
- ▶ Steady state of forward equations:

$$\sum_{k \neq j} q_{kj} P_k = v_j P_j, \quad 0 \leq P_j \leq 1, \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P_j = 1. \quad \text{Equilibrium distribution}$$

- ▶ The Markov chain is said to be time reversible if

$$P_i q_{ij} = P_j q_{ji}, \quad i, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (\text{Detailed balance})$$

- ▶ **Queueing theory example:** When in service, a certain machine breaks down at a time rate  $\mu > 0$ . When broken the repair shop waiting time has rate  $\lambda > 0$ . Find the fraction of time the machine is in service.
- ▶ Answer: Set State 1: machine in service & State 0: Machine at the repair shop. Detailed balance:

$$\mu p_1 = \lambda p_0 \implies p_1 = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}.$$

(Probability of the quicker to go first!)

## Birth and death process

- ▶ Customers arrive in a shop according to a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda > 0$ . Shop has  $m$  tellers and each serve customers with a service time rate  $\mu > 0$ . Customers leave the shop as soon as they are served.
- ▶ The number of customers in the shop at time  $t$ ,  $X_t$ , is a Markov chain. Transition rates:

$$q_{n,n+1} = \lambda, \text{ for } n \geq 0, q_{n,n-1} = n\mu \text{ for } 1 \leq n \leq m, \\ q_{n,n-1} = m\mu \text{ for } n \geq m + 1.$$

$$v_0 = \lambda, v_n = \lambda + n\mu, \text{ for } 1 \leq n \leq m, \text{ and } v_n = \lambda + m\mu \text{ if } n \geq m + 1$$

- ▶ Infinitesimal matrix is tridiagonal. State space is infinite. It becomes bounded if we set  $q_{N,N+1} = 0$ .
- ▶ We can assume in general  $q_{n,n+1} = \lambda_n$  (depends on  $n$ ).

## Birth and death process—continued.

- ▶ Forward equations at steady state:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_0 P_0 &= \mu_1 P_1, \\ (\lambda_n + \mu_n) P_n &= \mu_{n+1} P_{n+1} + \lambda_{n-1} P_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 1.\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Yields detailed balance for birth and death process:

$$\lambda_n P_n = \mu_{n+1} P_{n+1}, \quad n \geq 0$$

- ▶ This yields the equilibrium solution

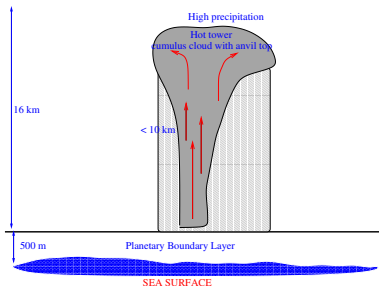
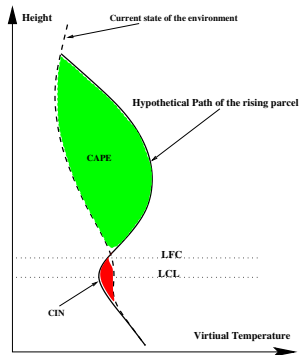
$$P_n = \frac{\lambda_{n-1} \lambda_{n-2} \cdots \lambda_0}{\mu_n \mu_{n-1} \cdots \mu_1} P_0, \quad P_0 = \left[ 1 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_{n-1} \lambda_{n-2} \cdots \lambda_0}{\mu_n \mu_{n-1} \cdots \mu_1} \right]^{-1}.$$

- ▶ Necessary condition for limiting distribution to exist

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_{n-1} \lambda_{n-2} \cdots \lambda_0}{\mu_n \mu_{n-1} \cdots \mu_1} < \infty$$

- ▶ For the queueing theory example  $\iff \lambda/m\mu < 1!$

# A Stochastic Model for Convective Inhibition (CIN)



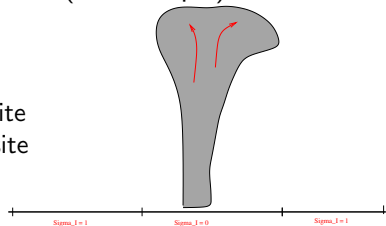
CIN is an energy barrier for convection.



# The microscopic stochastic model for CIN: the Ising model

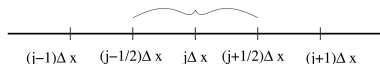
- Define an order parameter on (microscopic) lattice

$$\sigma_I(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{at a CIN site} \\ 0, & \text{at a PAC site} \end{cases}$$



- Area coverage for GCM grid cell of size  $\Delta x$ :

$$\bar{\sigma}_I(j\Delta x) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{(j-1/2)\Delta x}^{(j+1/2)\Delta x} \sigma_I(x) dx.$$



- Intuitive rules
  - If a CIN site is surrounded by mostly CIN sites, then it has higher probability to remain a CIN site.
  - If a PAC site is surrounded by mostly CIN sites, then it has higher probability to switch to a CIN site.
  - The large-scale flow,  $\vec{u}_j$ , supplies an external potential  $h(\vec{u}_j)$  that can modify the microscopic dynamics according to whether external conditions favour CIN or PAC.

## Hamiltonian energy function and Gibbs measure

- ▶ Microscopic energy for CIN:

$$H_h(\sigma_I) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_x \sum_{y \neq x} J(|x - y|) \sigma_I(x) \sigma_I(y) - h \sum_x \sigma_I(x).$$

- ▶ Nearest neighbour interactions:  $J(r) = \begin{cases} J_0 & \text{if } r < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- ▶ For  $J_0 > 0$ ,  $\sigma_I(x) = 1$  is the configuration with lowest energy and  $\sigma_I(x) = 0$  has the highest energy (so are checkerboards). The opposite happens when  $J_0 < 0$ .
- ▶ External potential  $h \equiv h(\vec{u}_j)$  modifies *this ground-state*.
- ▶ Hamiltonian dynamics: Grand canonical Gibbs equilibrium measure

$$G(\sigma_I) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H_h(\sigma_I)},$$

$\beta$  is the inverse temperature  $Z$  is partition function (hard to compute!).

## Spin-flip rules and Arrhenius dynamics

- ▶ A configuration flips randomly, one site at a time

$$\sigma_I^x(y) = \begin{cases} 1 - \sigma_I(x) & \text{if } y = x \\ \sigma_I(y) & \text{if } y \neq x \end{cases} = \begin{cases} q_{01} \\ q_{10} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Markov-jump process with Arrhenius rates

$$c(\sigma_I, x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-\beta V(x)}, & \sigma_I(x) = 1 \\ \frac{1}{\tau}, & \sigma_I(x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$V(x) \equiv \Delta H = H_{\{x=0\}} - H_{\{x=1\}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{z \neq x} J(|x - z|) \sigma_I(z) + h$$

- ▶ Detailed balance satisfied!

$$\begin{aligned} q_{01} G(H_h(\{x = 0\})) &= \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-\beta(H_h(\{x=1\}) - H_h(\{x=0\}))} G(H_h(\{x = 0\})) \\ &= q_{10} G(H_h(\{x = 1\})) \end{aligned}$$

Guarantees that  $G$  is the limiting distribution of the Markov process.

**This is how MCMC works!**

## The coarse grained stochastic model for CIN

- ▶ Fine and Coarse lattices:  $\Lambda \equiv \frac{1}{mq}\mathbb{Z} \cap [0, 1]$  and  $\Lambda_c \equiv \frac{1}{m}\mathbb{Z} \cap [0, 1]$ .

$$D_k \equiv \frac{1}{q}\{1, 2, \dots, q\}, \forall k = 1, \dots, m.$$

- ▶ Coarse-grained process:  $\eta_t(k) = \sum_{y \in D_k} \sigma_{l,t}(y) \in \{0, 1, \dots, q\}^{\Lambda_c}$ .

- ▶ Coarse grained Hamiltonian:

$$\bar{H}(\eta) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l \in \Lambda_c} \sum_{k \in \Lambda_c, k \neq l} \bar{J}(k, l) \eta(k) \eta(l) - \frac{1}{2} \bar{J}(0, 0) \sum_{l \in \Lambda_c} \eta(l) (\eta(l) - 1) - h \sum_{l \in \Lambda_c} \eta(l).$$

- ▶ Birth-death process:

$$\text{Prob}\{\eta_{t+\Delta t}(k) = n + 1 | \eta_t(k) = n\} = C_a(k, n) \Delta t + o(\Delta t)$$

$$\text{Prob}\{\eta_{t+\Delta t}(k) = n - 1 | \eta_t(k) = n\} = C_d(k, n) \Delta t + o(\Delta t) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Prob}\{\eta_{t+\Delta t}(k) = n | \eta_t(k) = n\} = 1 - (C_a(k, n) + C_d(k, n)) \Delta t + o(\Delta t)$$

$$C_a(k, n) = \frac{1}{\tau_l} [q - \eta(k)]; \quad C_d(k, n) = \frac{1}{\tau_l} \eta(k) e^{-\beta \bar{V}(k)}$$

$$\bar{V}(k) = \sum_{l \in \Lambda_c, l \neq k} \bar{J}(k, l) \eta(k) + \bar{J}(0, 0) (\eta(k) - 1) + h; \quad \bar{J}(0, 0) = \frac{J_0}{q - 1}$$

# The transition probability matrix and Gillespie's Algorithm

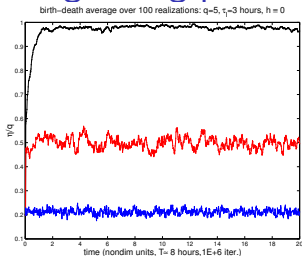
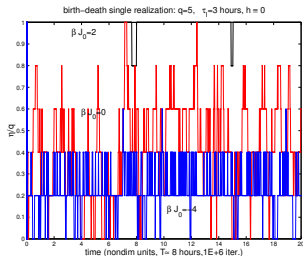
- ▶ The transition probabilities:

$$P'_{i,j}(t) = C_d(j+1, k)P_{i,j+1}(t) + C_a(j-1, k)P_{j,j-1}(t) - (C_a(j, k) + C_d(j, k))P_{i,j}(t), \quad j = 0, \dots, q \quad (3)$$

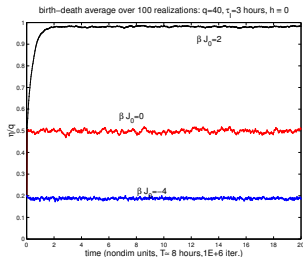
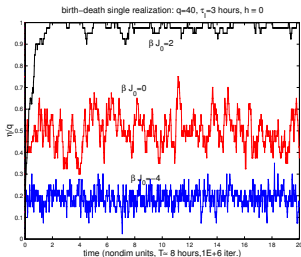
Solution:  $[p_t(j, j')] = e^{tA}$  with  $A$  tri-diagonal matrix etc.

- ▶ This can be expensive to compute.
- ▶ Gillespie's exact algorithm:
  - 1) Given the state  $\eta_t$  of the process at time  $t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq \Delta T$ .
  - 2) Draw a uniform random number  $r_1$  from  $[0, 1]$  and set  $s = -\frac{1}{\lambda + \mu} \ln(r_1)$ .
  - 3) If  $s + t > \Delta T$ , then set  $t = \Delta T$  and terminate the algorithm. Otherwise (the transition is accepted) we draw a second uniform random number  $r_2$  in  $[0, 1]$ .
  - 4) If  $r_2 < \lambda / (\lambda + \mu)$ , set  $\eta_{t+s} = \eta_t + 1$ . otherwise set  $\eta_{t+s} = \eta_t - 1$ .
  - 5) Set  $t = t + s$ . If  $t < \Delta T$  goto 1.

# Numerical tests for the coarse graining process



Evolution in time of the random process  $\eta_t/q$ . single realization v.s. ensemble average (100):  $\tau_I = 3$  hours,  $q = 5$



Increasing  $q$  —  $q = 40$   
 Convergence to Mean field dynamics.

# Coupling the CIN model to a Toy GCM

- ▶ 2d-Shallow water equations (Majda and Shefter, 2001)

$$\frac{Du_1}{Dt} - \bar{\alpha} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = -C_D u_1 \quad q_1 = MM_c, \quad M_c = \sigma_c (\text{CAPE})^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{D\theta_1}{Dt} - \bar{\alpha} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} = q_1 + \frac{1}{1+s} Q_R^0 - \frac{1}{1+s} \frac{\theta_1}{\tau_D} \quad m_+ = (1-\mu)m_c + \mu m_s$$

$$h \frac{\partial \theta_{eb}}{\partial t} = D(\theta_{eb} - \theta_{em}) + C_\theta (\theta_{eb}^* - \theta_{eb}), \quad D = m_e - m_-; \quad m_- = \frac{1-\Lambda}{\Lambda} m_+,$$

$$\frac{\partial q_2}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\tau_s} (sq_1 - q_2) \quad m_s = M^{-1} q_2, \quad m_e = (1-\sigma_c) w_e^- \equiv -(m_c + H_m u_x)^+$$

- ▶ + A dynamically slaved second baroclinic mode to includes effect of stratiform evaporative cooling

- ▶  $\mu$  is the stratiform instability parameter!

- ▶ Wind enhanced surface evaporation and friction (WISHE):

$$C_x = \frac{C_x^0}{h} \sqrt{u_0^2 + u_1^2}$$

- ▶  $\sigma_c$  convection area coverage– important stability parameter; CCW's Instability when  $\sigma_c \gtrsim 0.0014$ .
- ▶ Two-way coupling with the mesoscopic CIN model:

$$h = -[\tilde{\alpha} \theta_{eb} + (1 - \tilde{\alpha}) m_s], \quad \sigma_c = \sigma_c^+ - \sigma_l (\sigma_c^+ - \sigma_c^-)$$

# Mean-field regime

Majda and Khouider (PNAS, 2002)

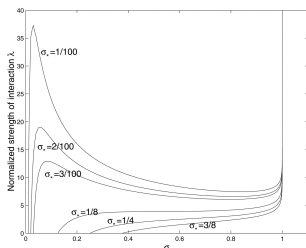
- ▶ The mean-field equation for (mesoscopic CIN coverage)

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_I}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\tau_I} \left\{ 1 - \sigma_I \left[ 1 + e^{(-\beta h - \beta J^* \sigma)} \right] \right\}$$

$$J^* \sigma_I \approx J_0 \left[ \frac{1}{4} \sigma_I(x_j - \Delta x) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_I(x_j) + \frac{1}{4} \sigma_I(x_j + \Delta x) \right]$$

- ▶ Multiple equilibria:  $h \equiv \bar{h}$  Radiative convective equilibrium state.

$$F(\bar{\sigma}_I) \equiv e^{-\beta \bar{h}} (1 - \bar{\sigma}_I) - \bar{\sigma}_I e^{-\lambda J_0 \bar{\sigma}_I} = 0; \quad \sigma_* = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta \bar{h}}}.$$

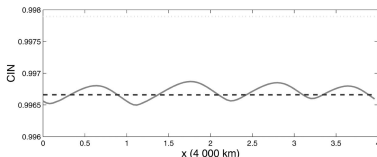
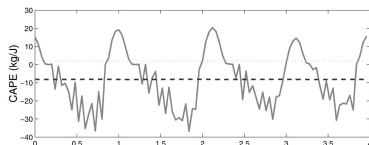
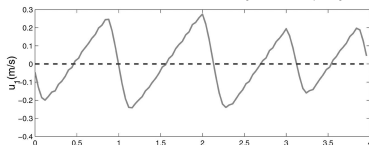




## Interaction of CIN with CC-waves

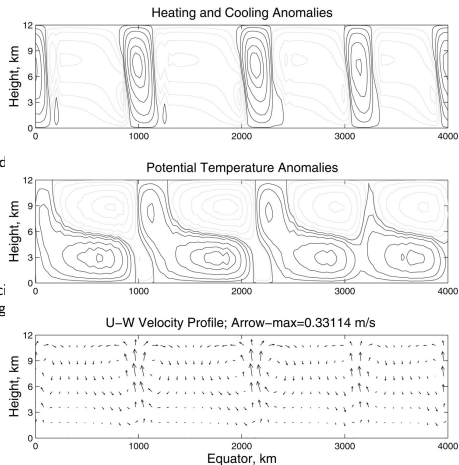
- ▶ Start with an RCE states in which CCW's are unstable,  $\bar{\sigma}_c = 0.002$ ,  $\tau_I = 72\text{h}$ ; **Use the mean field equation for CIN.**
- ▶ 100 day simulation: Wave train of nonlinear waves (13 m/s).

- ▶ Higher Mean CAF:  
 $\bar{\sigma}_c \approx 0.0035$ .
- ▶ CIN fluctuation further destabilize the system.
- ▶ CIN and CAPE are out of phase as in a predator-prey system.
- ▶ CAPE is in phase with rising air (convergence).



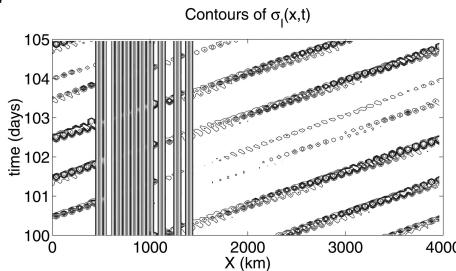
# Wave structure

- ▶ Front to rear downward tilted heating, temperature, and wind anomalies
- ▶ Warm lower troposphere in suppressed phase of wave characterized by descending motion
- ▶ Warm upper troposphere coinciding with active convection (heating and rising motion).



# Multiple equilibria regime

- ▶ Initialize one half of domain with high CIN equilibrium and the other with a low CIN equilibrium:  $\sigma_c^- = 0.001$ ,  $\sigma_c^+ = 0.01$ .
- ▶ Simulation results depend on  $\tau_I$ 
  - ▶ For large  $\tau_I$  (72h): similar results as above; CCWaves wipe out CIN.
  - ▶ For small  $\tau_I$  (3h): steady state pattern with spikes and plateaus of CIN and CCWaves that **do not carry CIN**.
  - ▶ For intermediate  $\tau_I$  (12h): Mixture of plateaus and spikes of CIN and CCWaves that carry CIN as before

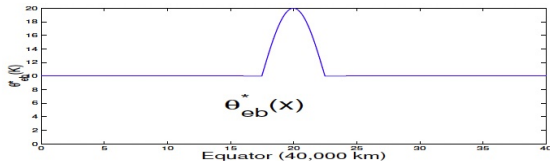


# Stochastic effects on large scale/climate dynamics

Khouider, Majda and Katsoulakis (PNAS, 2003)

- ▶ Couple the Toy GCM with the coarse-grained stochastic model for CIN
- ▶ No stratiform contribution  $\mu = 0$  (No instability when WISHE is off)
- ▶ Mimic Western Pacific/Indian Ocean warm pool

$$\frac{\theta_{eb}^*(x)}{\theta_{eb}^{*,0}} = \begin{cases} 1 + A_0 \cos\left(\frac{\pi(x-x_0)}{L_0}\right), & |x - x_0| < \frac{L_0}{2} \\ 1, & |x - x_0| \geq \frac{L_0}{2} \end{cases}$$



# Interaction Potential Affects Wave fluctuations

- Moderate Walker Forcing:  $A_0 = 0.5$

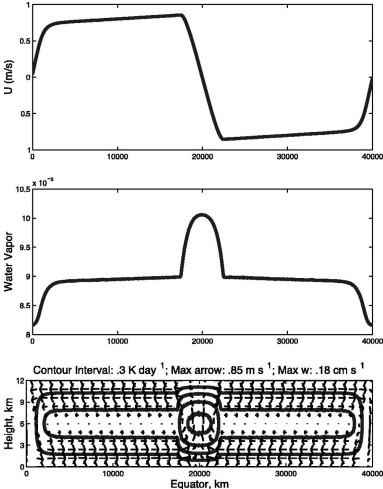
Interaction potential, $\beta U_0$	Time, $\tau_f$ , days	Climate, $\text{m s}^{-1}$		Fluctuation, $\text{m s}^{-1}$		Mean area fraction, $\bar{\sigma}_c$	Standard deviation, $((\sigma_c - \bar{\sigma}_c)^2)^{1/2}$
		$\bar{a}_-$	$\bar{a}_+$	$u'_-$	$u'_+$		
1	5	-0.856	0.855	-0.207	0.214	$4.55 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.00 \times 10^{-4}$
1	20	-0.855	0.856	-0.214	0.208	$4.55 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.96 \times 10^{-4}$
0.01	5	-1.047	1.046	-0.508	0.486	$9.96 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.18 \times 10^{-4}$
0.01	20	-1.048	1.040	-0.804	0.676	$9.96 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.15 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.01	5	-1.047	1.049	-0.603	0.572	$1.00 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.15 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.01	10	-0.923	0.920	-4.497	4.429	$1.00 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.14 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.1	5	-0.816	0.867	-4.820	4.727	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.11 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.1	10	-0.824	0.877	-4.861	4.737	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.12 \times 10^{-4}$

- Strong Walker Forcing:  $A_0 = 1$

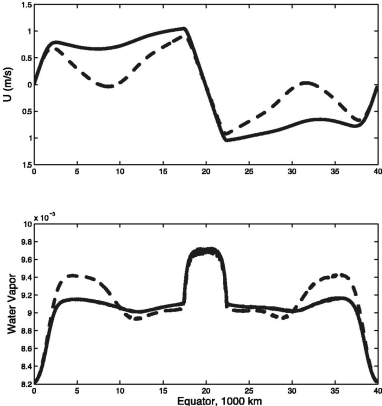
Interaction potential, $\beta U_0$	Time, $\tau_f$ , days	Climate, $\text{m s}^{-1}$		Fluctuation, $\text{m s}^{-1}$		Mean area fraction, $\bar{\sigma}_c$	Standard deviation, $((\sigma_c - \bar{\sigma}_c)^2)^{1/2}$
		$\bar{a}_-$	$\bar{a}_+$	$u'_-$	$u'_+$		
1	5	-1.417	1.417	-0.536	0.436	$4.56 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.00 \times 10^{-4}$
1	20	-1.415	1.417	-0.330	0.546	$4.56 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.00 \times 10^{-4}$
0.01	5	-1.692	1.691	-1.196	1.603	$9.96 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.17 \times 10^{-4}$
0.01	20	-1.692	1.691	-1.180	1.266	$9.96 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.17 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.01	5	-1.693	1.693	-1.421	1.470	$1.00 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.15 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.01	10	-1.693	1.693	-1.277	1.243	$1.00 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.16 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.1	5	-1.700	1.699	-0.990	1.092	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.10 \times 10^{-4}$
-0.1	10	-1.700	1.700	-1.447	1.269	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.07 \times 10^{-4}$

- SST forcing doesn't influence stochastic CIN (controlled by local interactions)
- Stronger climate has smaller stochastic fluctuations...more deterministic!

# Effect of CIN on Walker circulation

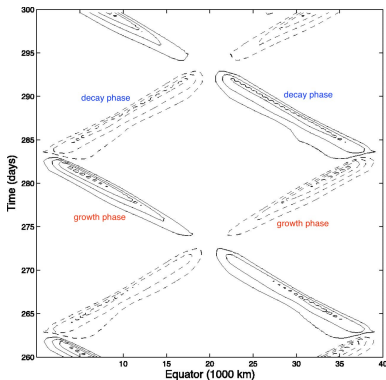


$A_0 = 0.5$   $\tau_I = 20$  days,  $\beta J_0 = 1$



$A_0 = 0.5$ ,  $\tau_I = 5$  days (solid),  $\tau_I = 10$  days (dash),  
 $\beta J_0 = -0.01$

# Circumnavigating WISHE waves



$$A_0 = 0.5, \quad \tau_I = 10 \text{ days (dash)}, \quad \beta J_0 = -0.01$$

(Low level) Easterlies destabilize eastward moving waves and  
Westerlies destabilize westward moving waves.

This is not physical due to Lack of Persistent Easterlies over Indian Ocean!