

Numerical study for the explosively deepening extratropical cyclones in the northwestern Pacific Region

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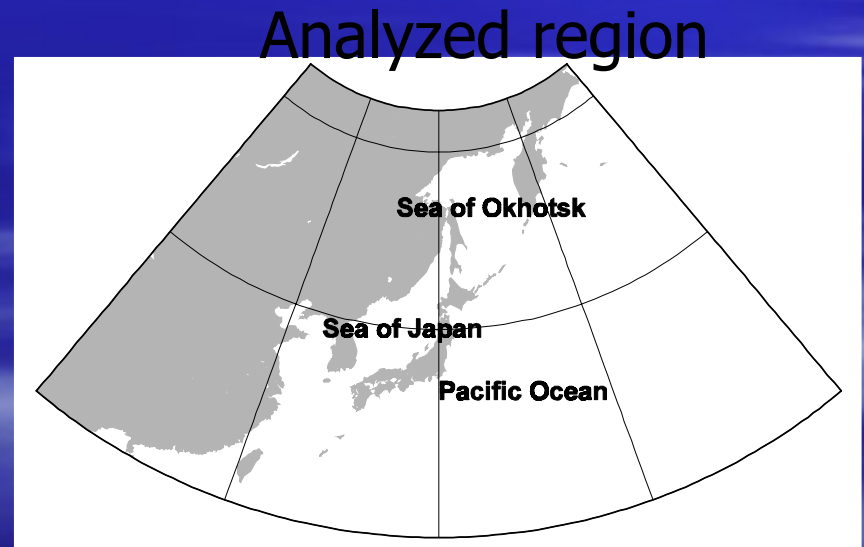
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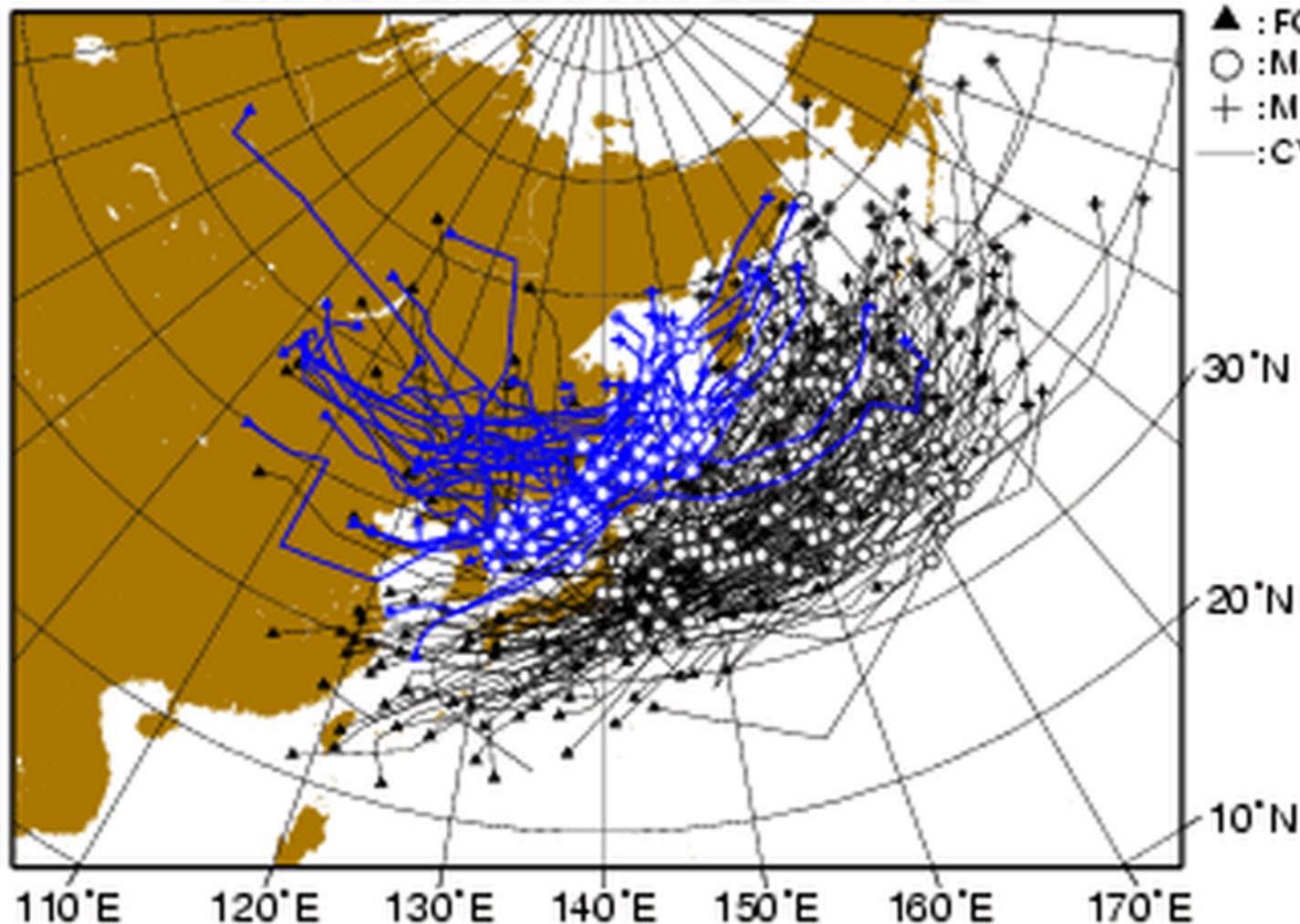
Introduction

- Yoshida and Asuma (2004) analyzed statistical characteristic for explosively developing extratropical cyclones in the northwestern Pacific region.
- Analyzed term :
Oct 1994 – Mar 1999
(5 winter seasons)
- Data :
JMA GANAL



OJ type

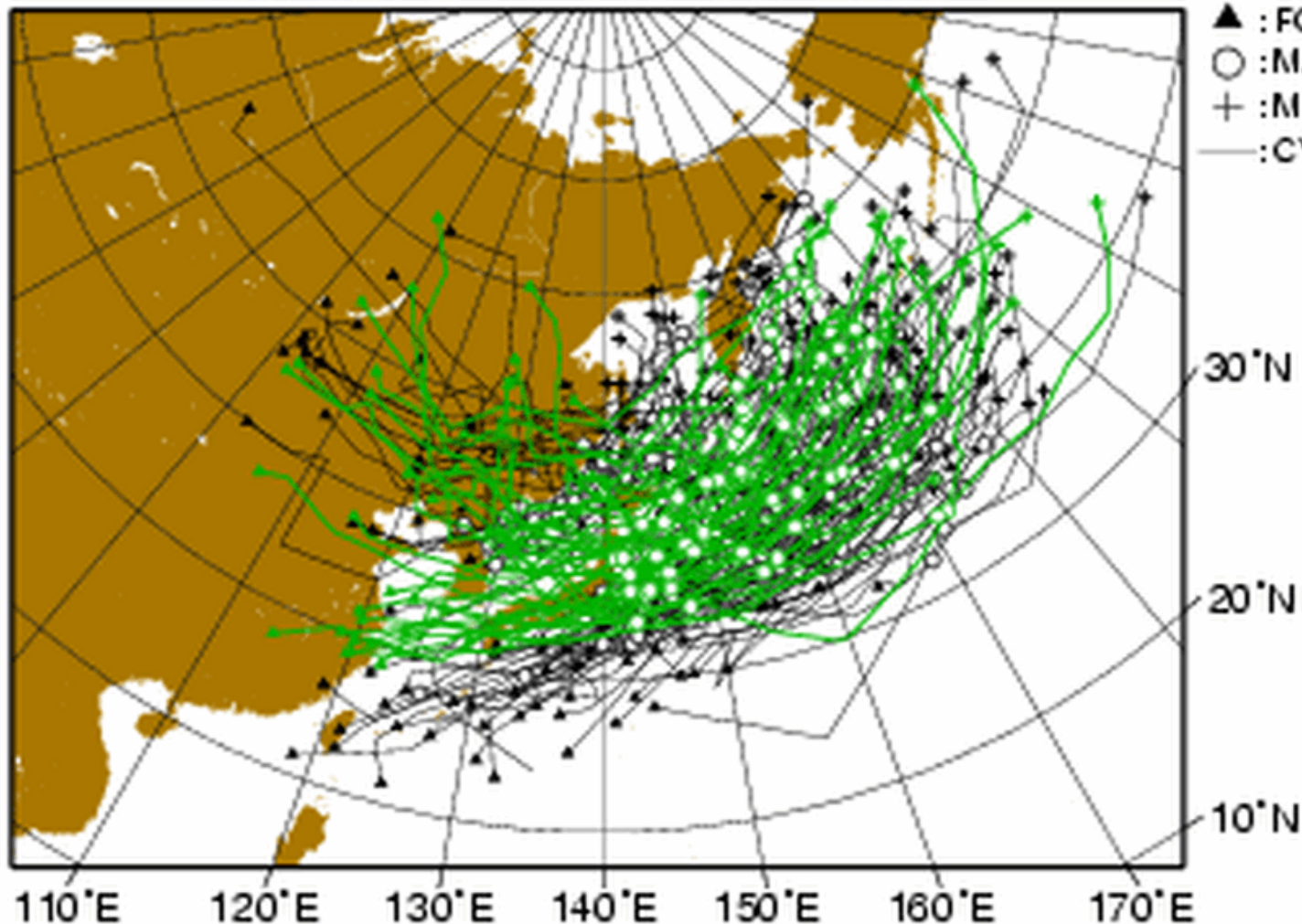
OKHOTSK-JAPAN SEA TYPE



TOTAL: 224
OJ: 42

PO-L type

PACIFIC OCEAN-LAND TYPE



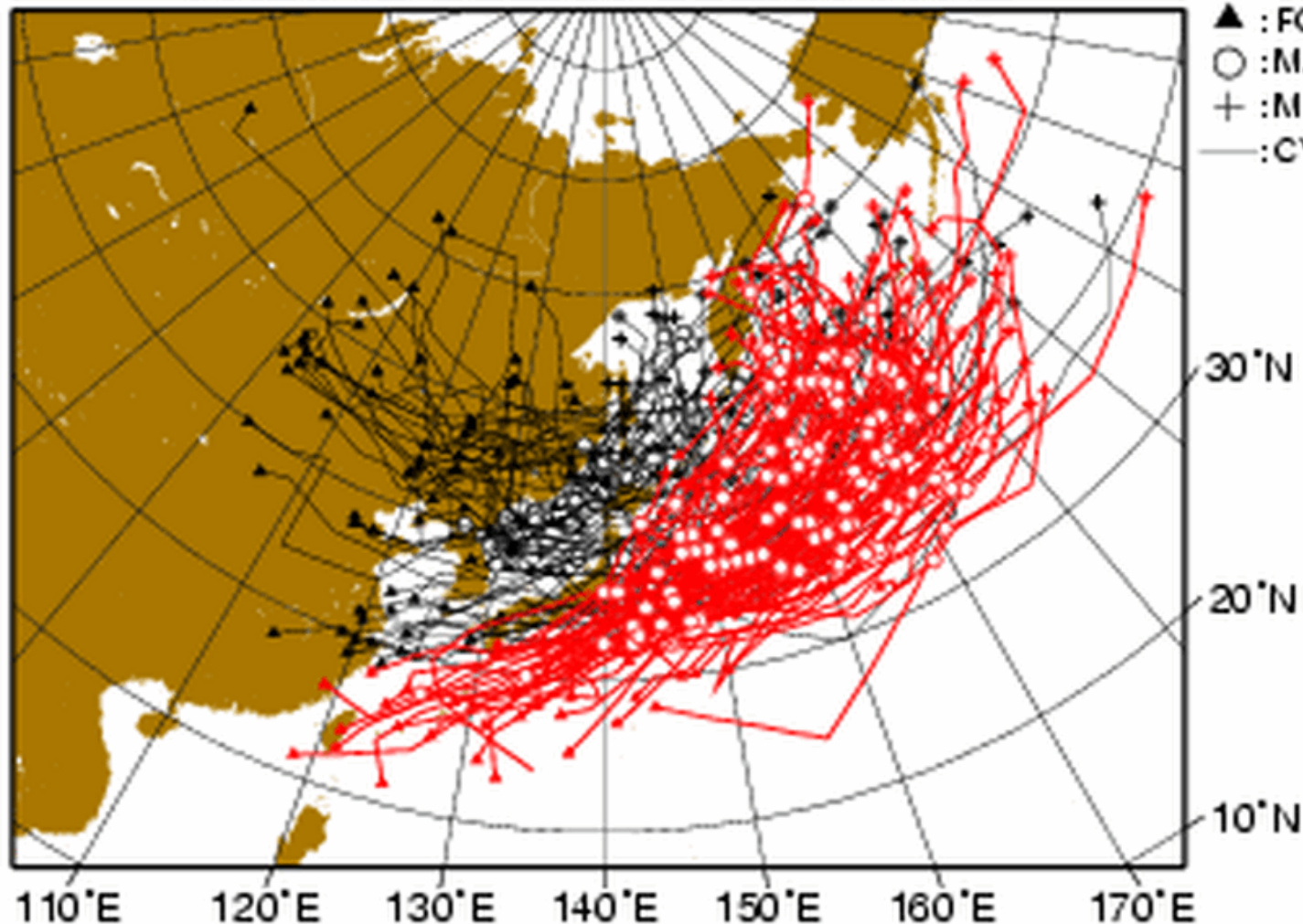
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OJ: 42

PO-L: 50

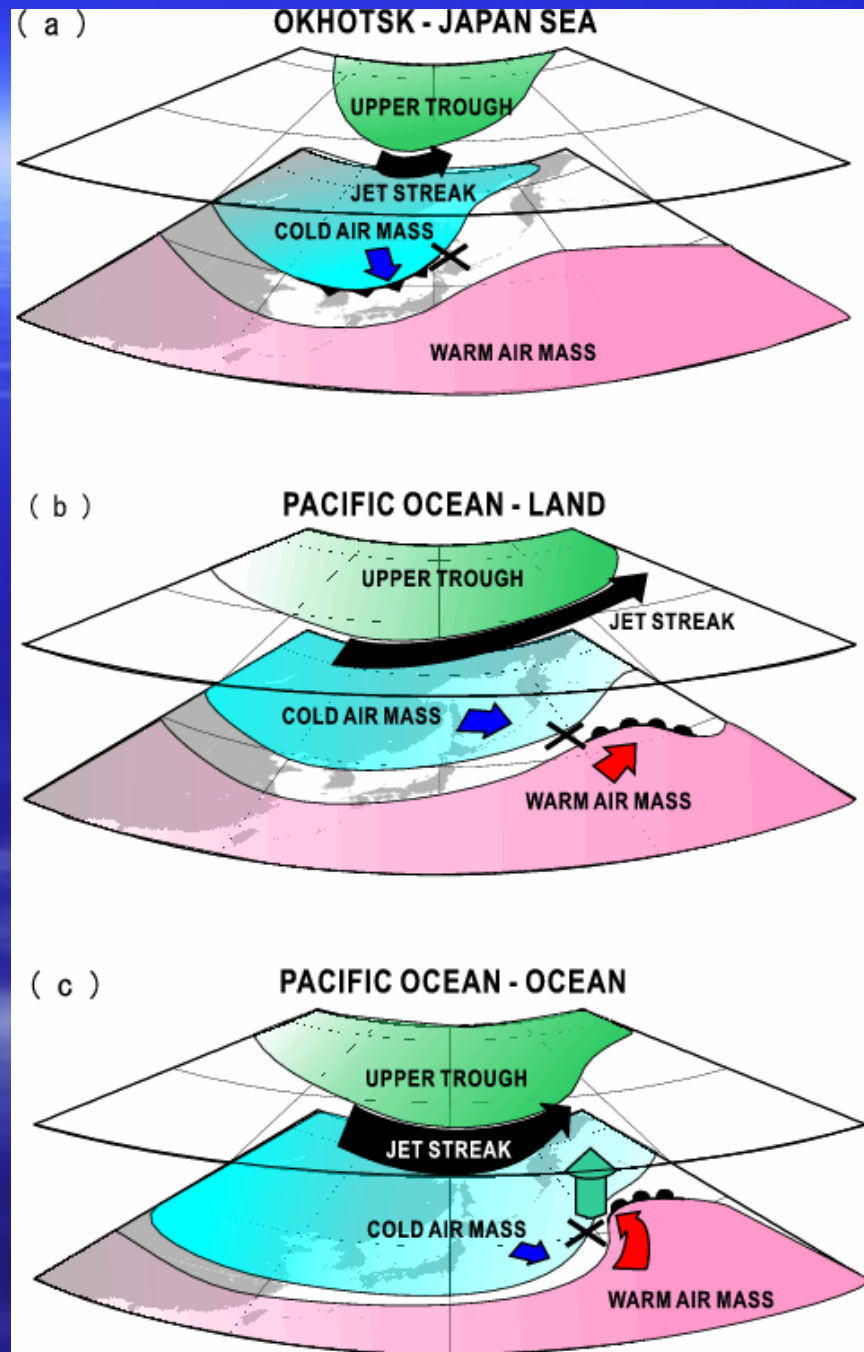
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Seasonal variation of cyclone track reflects seasonal change of atmospheric environment.

cyclone's meso-scale structure and physical processes (latent heat release), which is influenced by larger-scale atmospheric environment, causes difference of maximum deepening rate between three types.



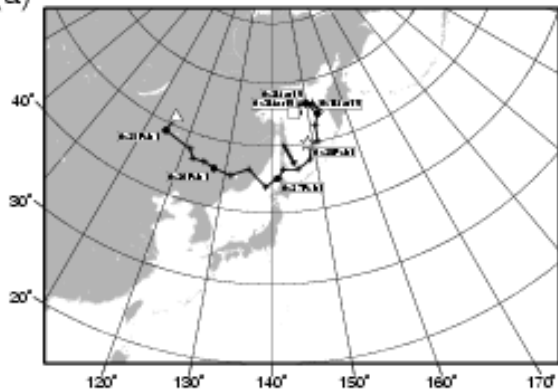
Objectives

- To analyze time evolution extreme cases, which were most rapidly developing cyclones for each type.
- To clarify relation between latent heat release and explosive cyclogenesis using numerical simulations.

Model description

- PSU-NCAR MM5 ver. 3. 6. 1
 - Horizontal resolution:
 - Domain 1 : 45 km (200 x 160)
 - Domain 2 : 15 km (301 x 271)
 - Vertical resolution
 - 23 sigma level from surface to 100 hPa
 - Initial and boundary condition
 - GANAL, Reynolds SST
 - Integration
 - 48 hours (starting 24 hours before maximum deepening rate)
 - Sensitivity experiment
 - Control and no latent heat release by condensation runs

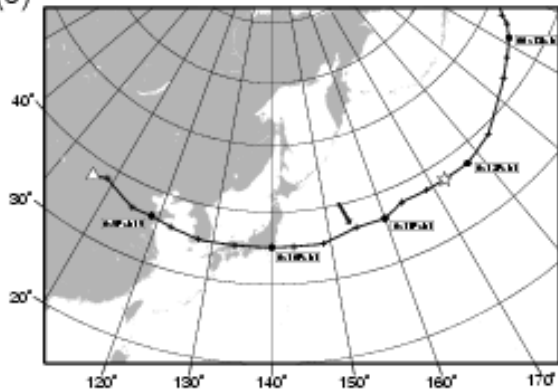
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(b) EXTREME OKHOTSK-JAPAN SEA CASE: SLP



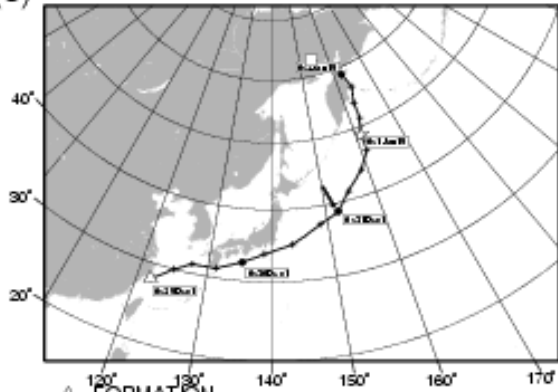
(c) EXTREME PACIFIC OCEAN-LAND CASE: TRACK



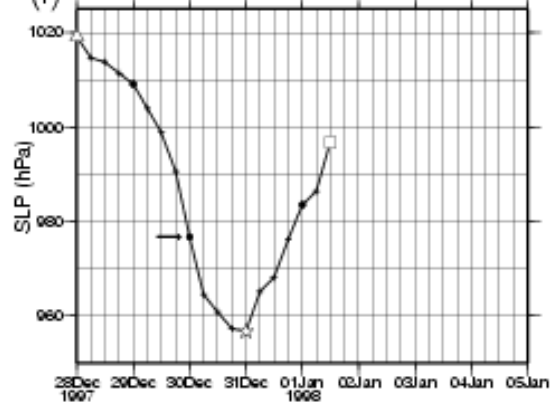
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(e) EXTREME PACIFIC OCEAN-OCEAN CASE: TRACK

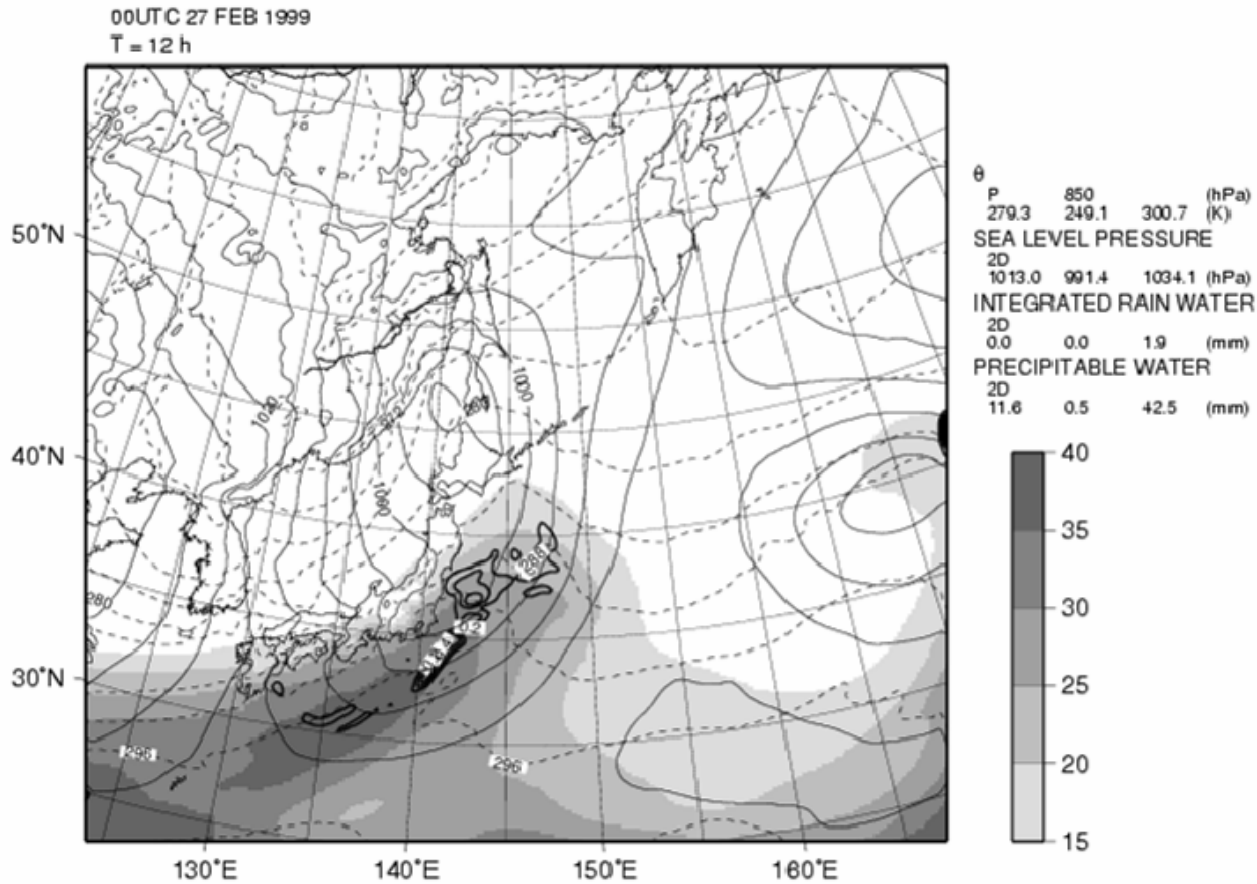


(f) EXTREME PACIFIC OCEAN-OCEAN CASE: SLP



- △ FORMATION
- MAXIMUM DEEPENING RATE
- ☆ MINIMUM SLP
- DISAPPEARANCE

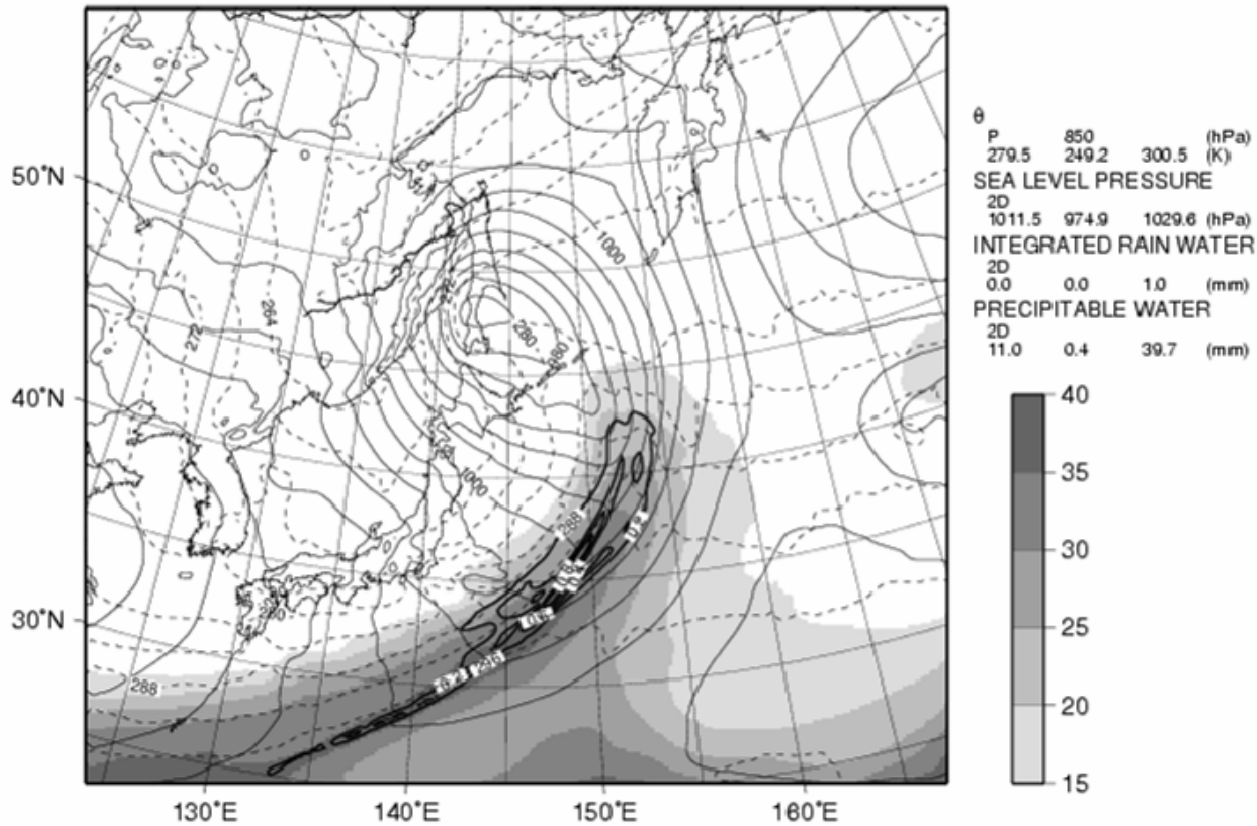
OJ case: 12 h before max



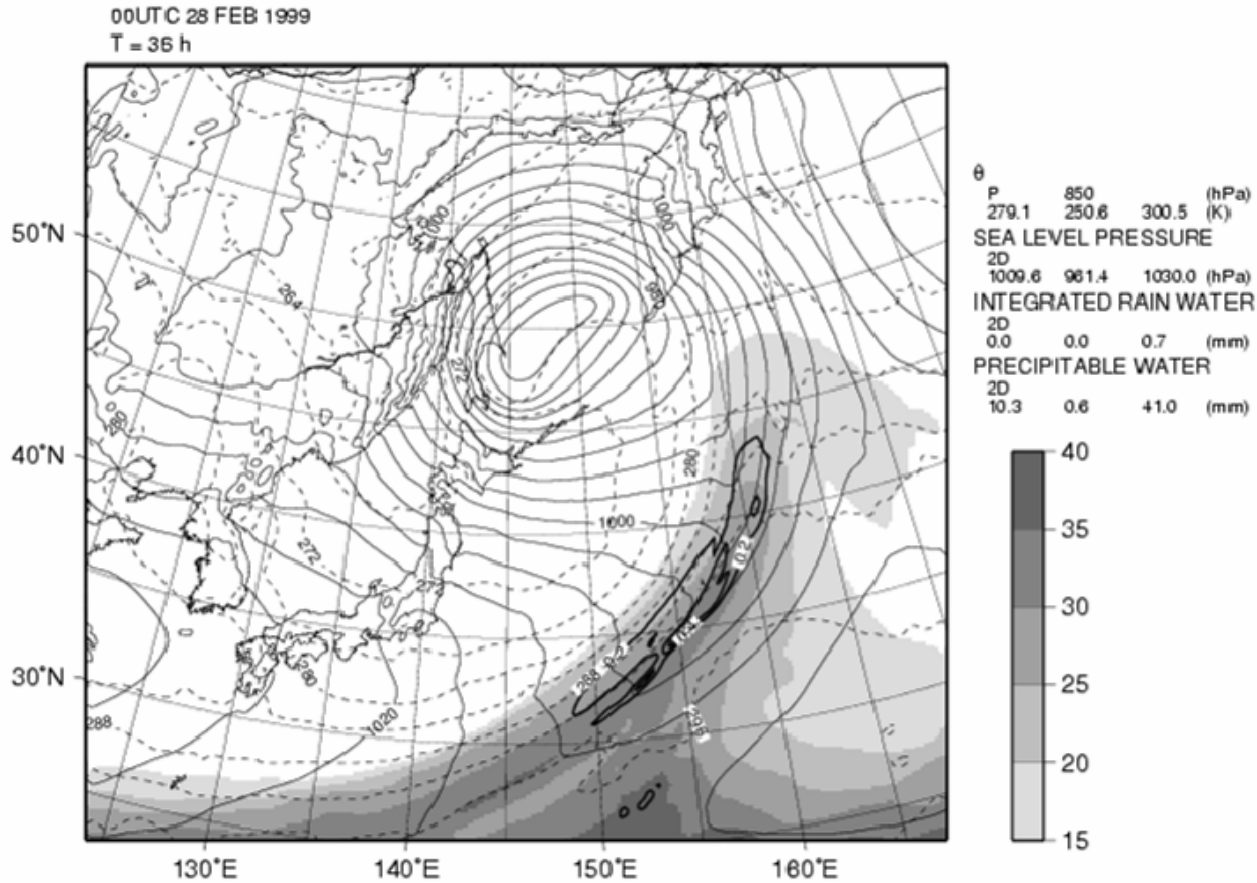
OJ case: Maximum deepening rate

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T = 24 h



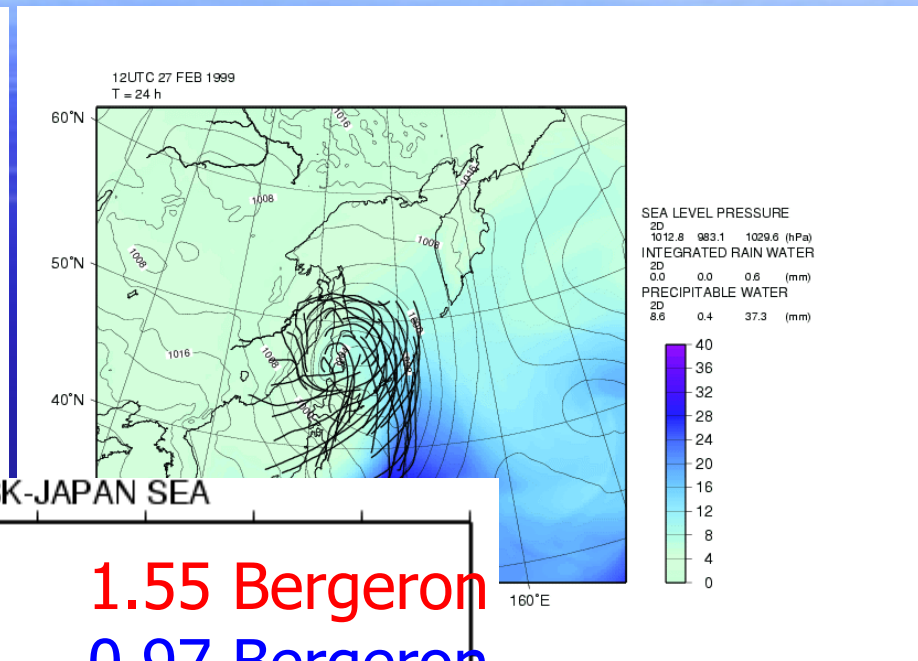
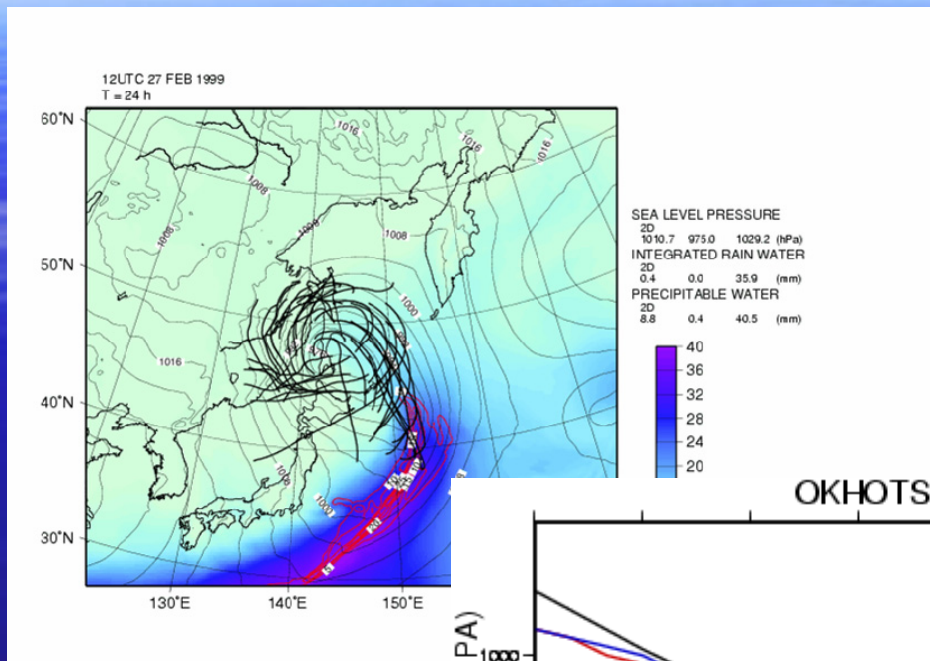
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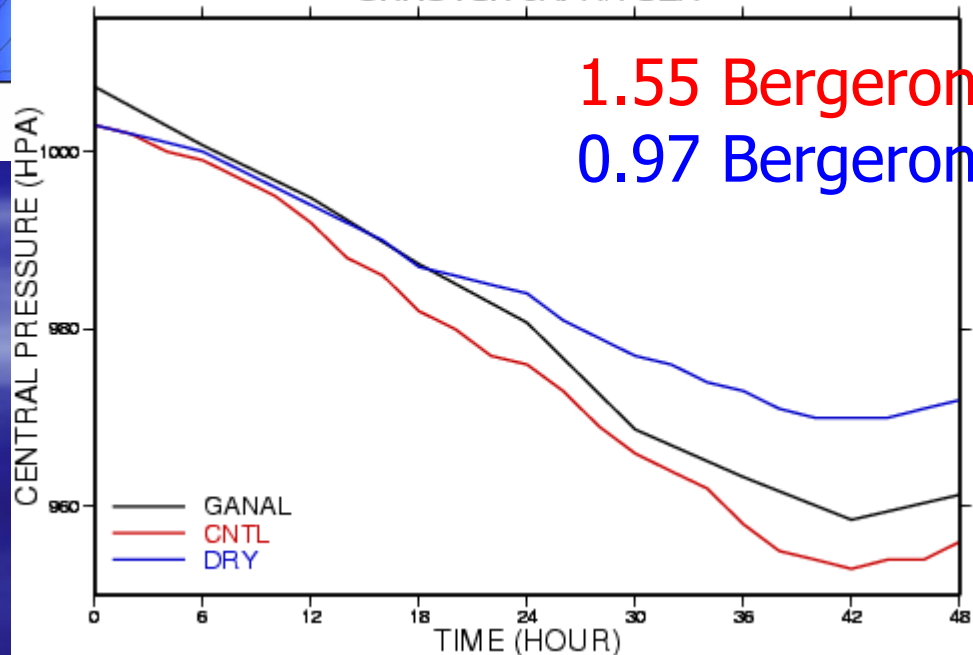
OJ case: Backward trajectory from 850 hPa near cyclone center

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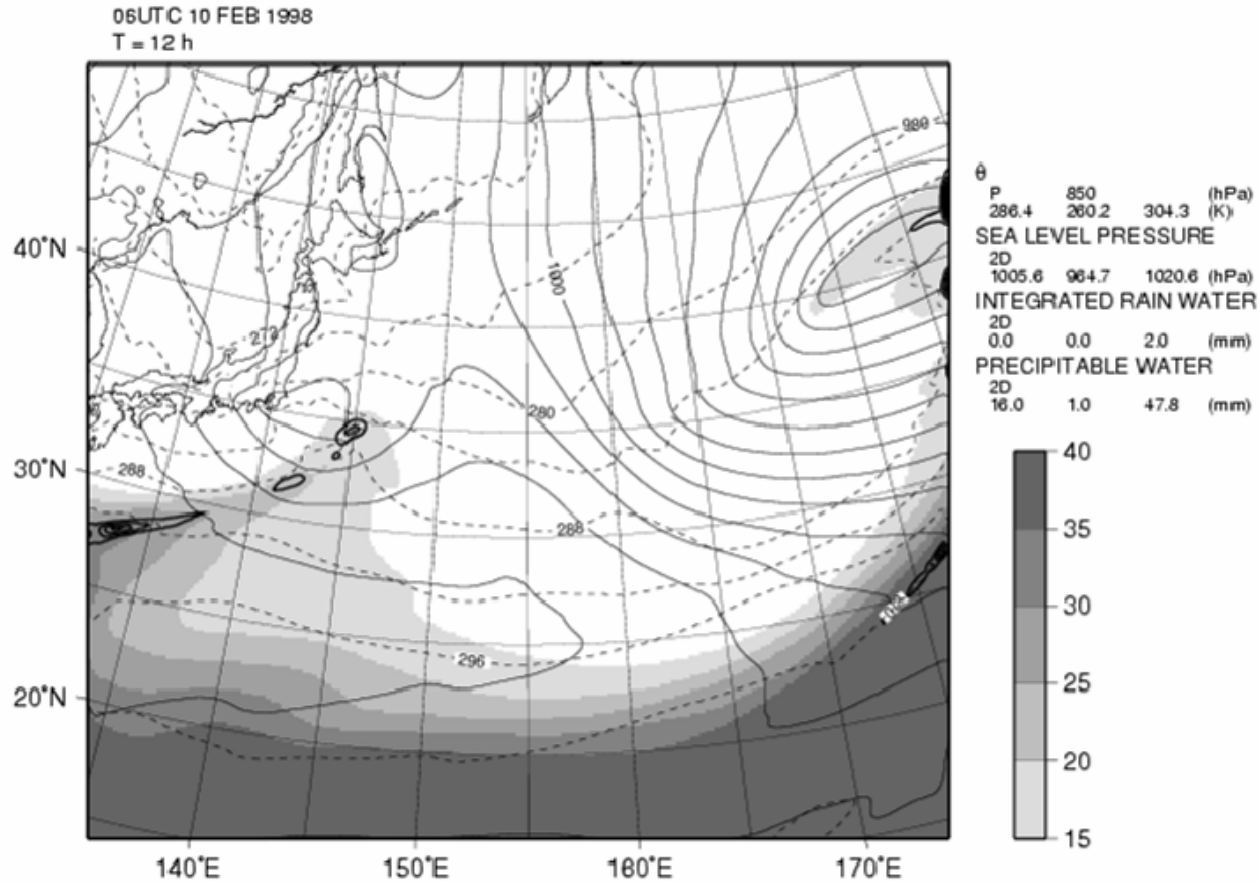
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OKHOTSK-JAPAN SEA

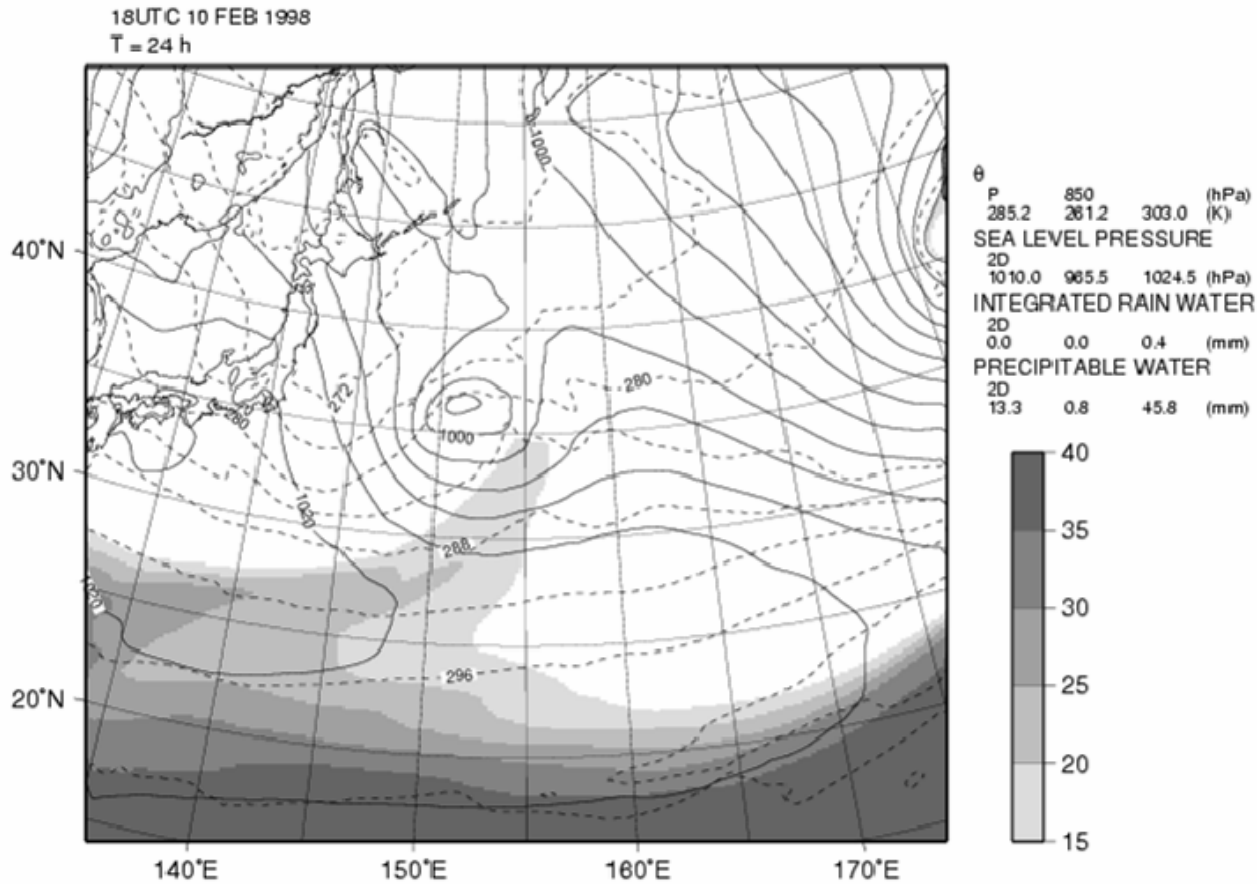


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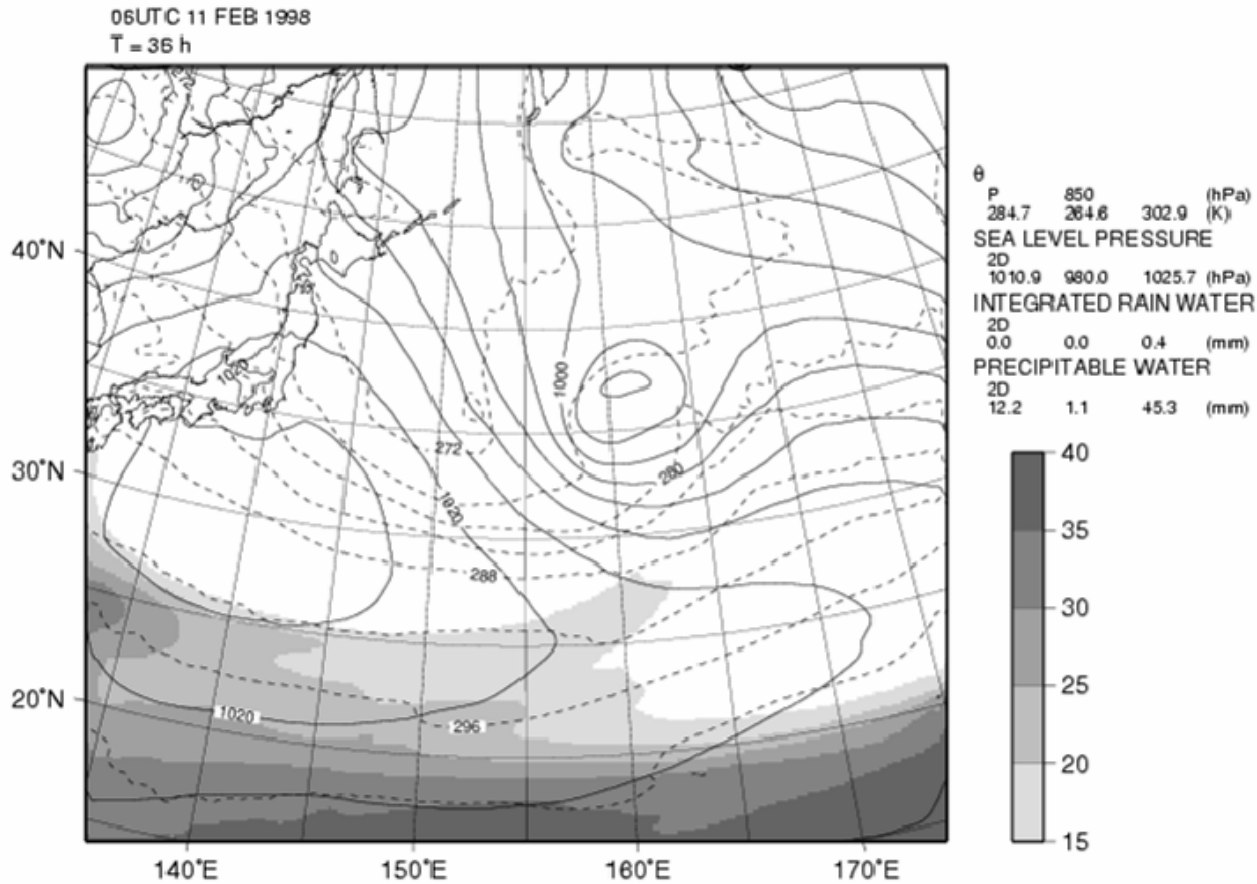


PO-L case:

Maximum deepening rate



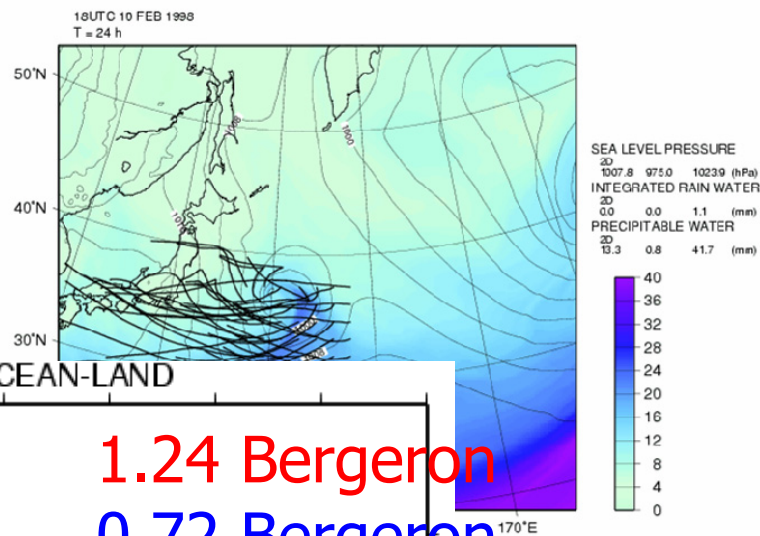
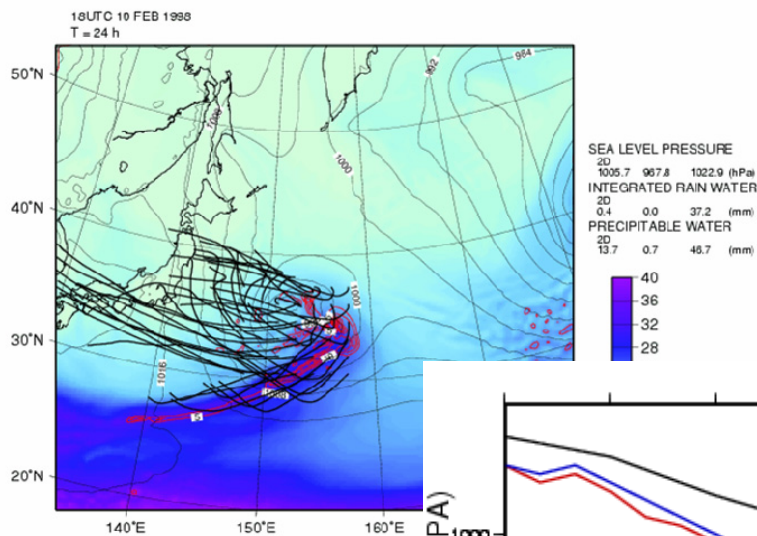
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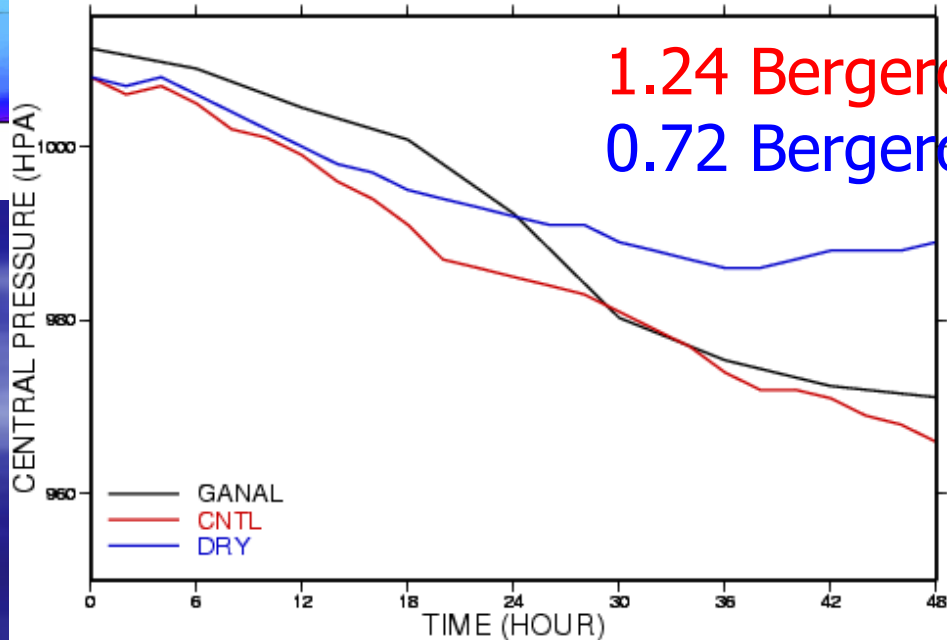
PO-L case backward trajectory

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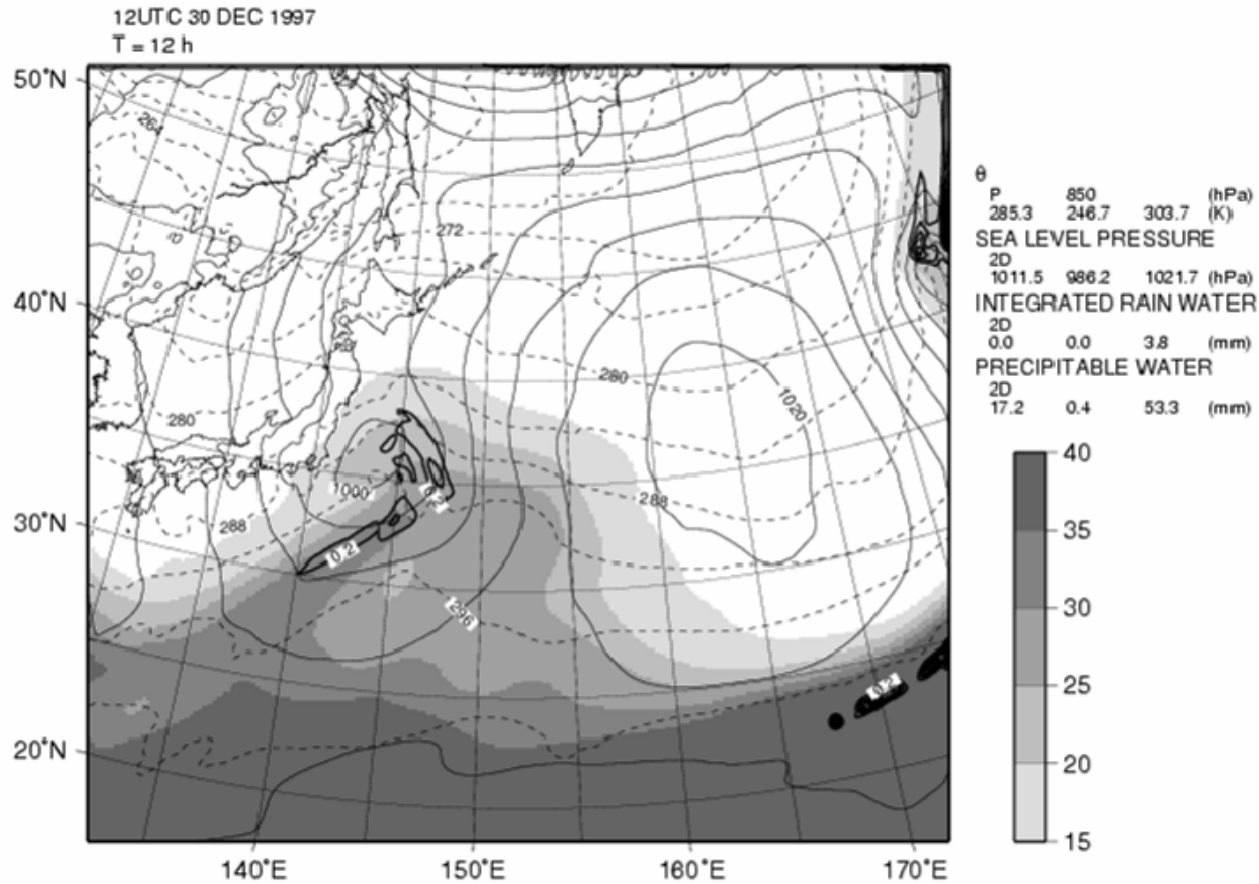
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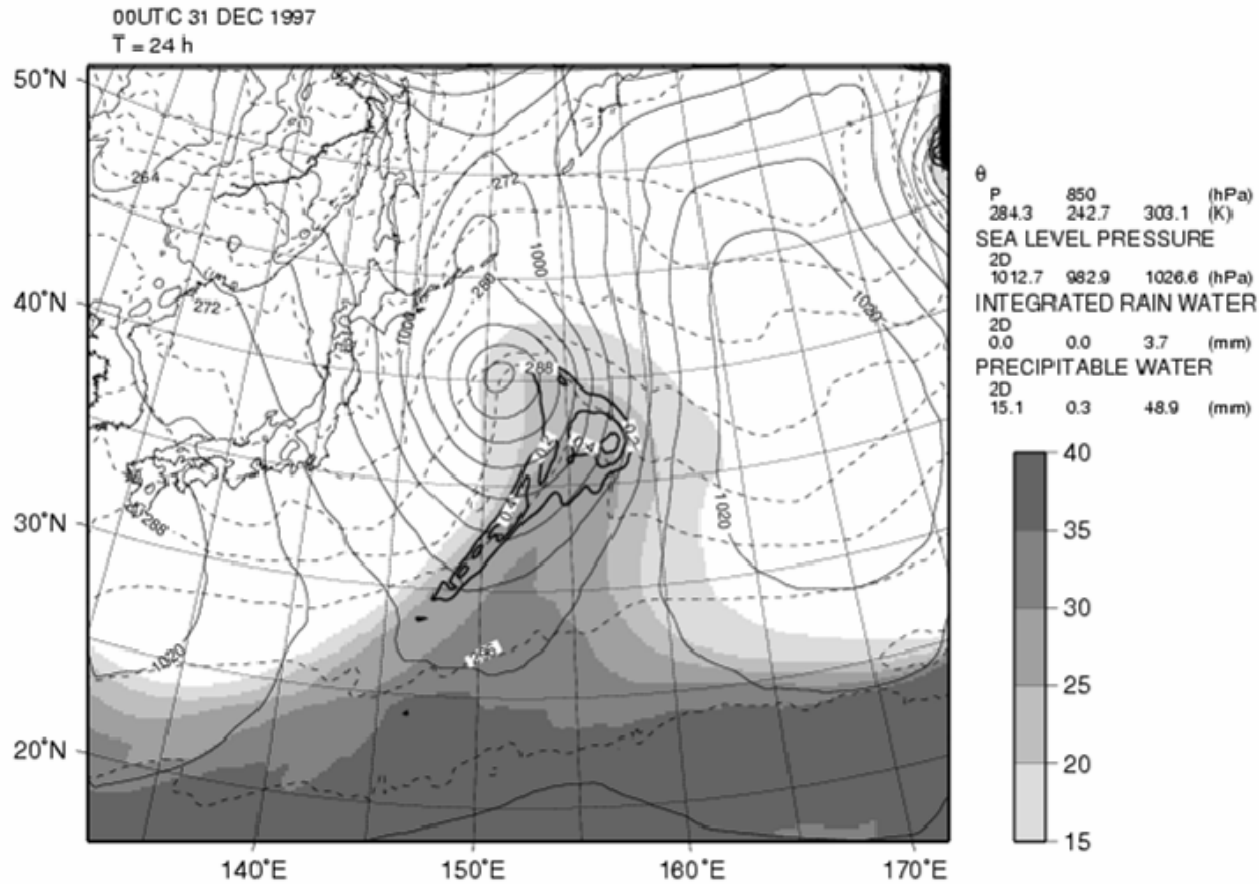
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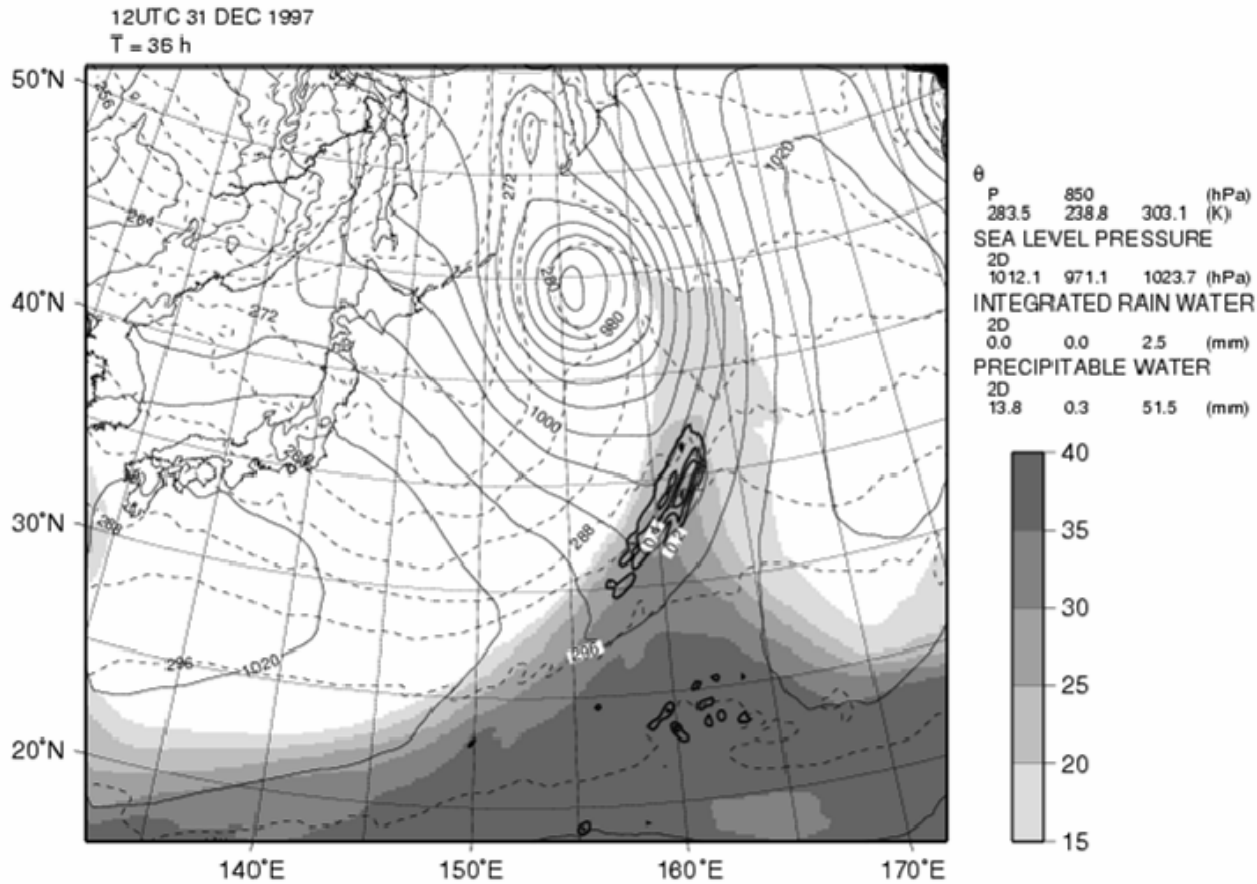
PO-O case: 12 h before max



PO-O case: Max



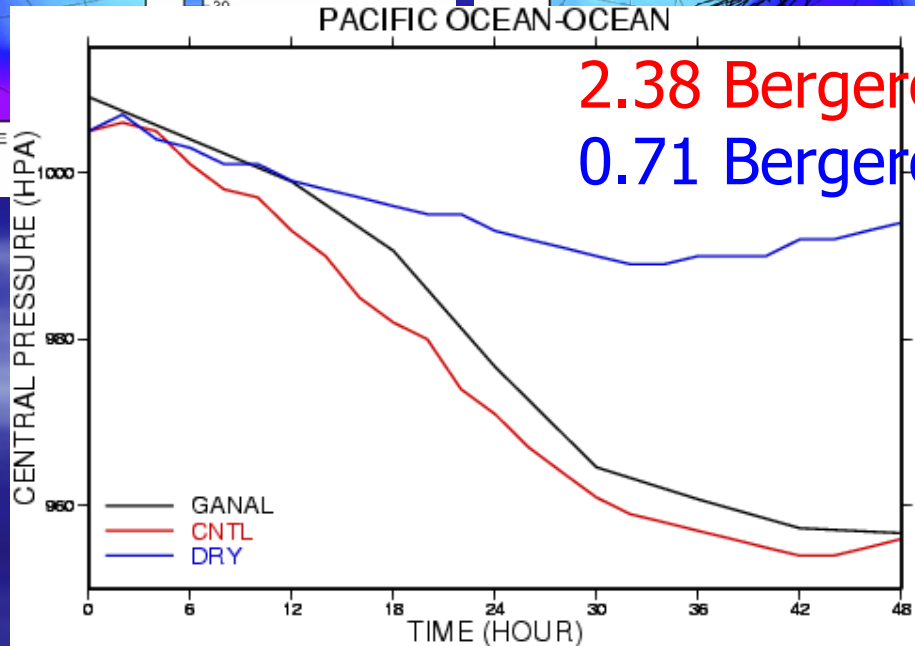
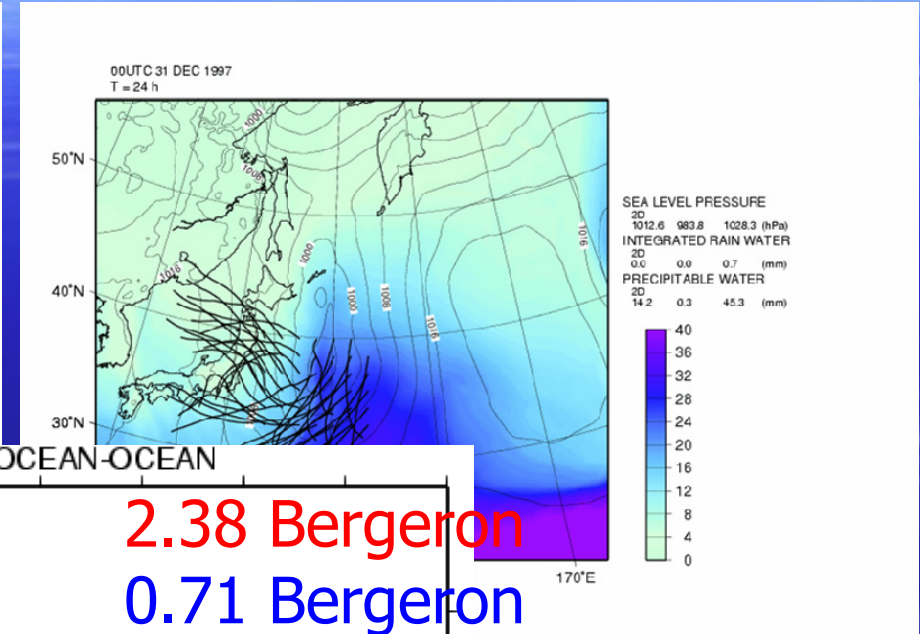
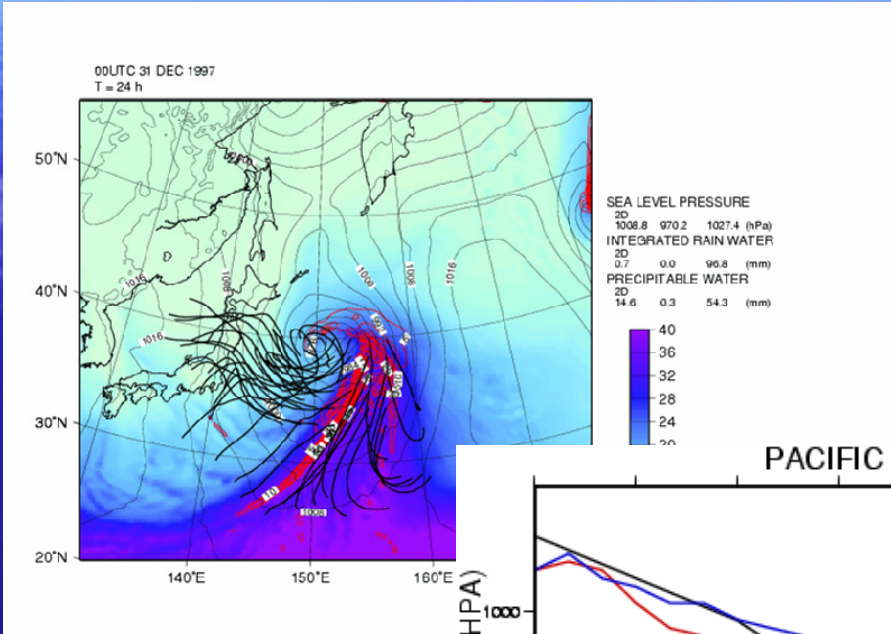
PO-O case: 12 h after max



PO-O case backward trajectory

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Conclusions

- For OJ and PO-L cases, latent heat release was not effective on development, while PO-O case was very sensitive to latent heat release.
- Water vapor distribution and upper jet characterized different cyclone structures and evolutions between three types.

