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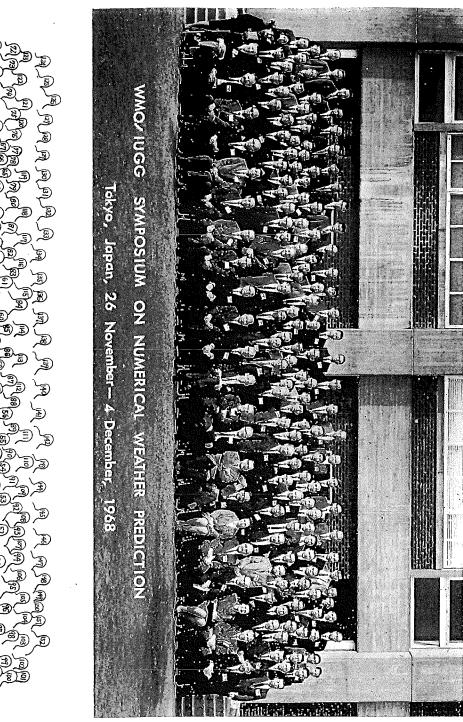
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Place: Auditorium of JMA headquarters' building

Ote-machi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Period: November 26-December 4, 1968

OPENING CEREMONY

First Day (November 26, Tuesday)

10.00-11.00

An opening address by Y. Shibata (Director of the Symposium and Director-General of the Japan Meteorological Agency)

An address by B. R. Döös (Chairman of the Planning Committee of the Symposium) An address by E. Knighting (representing International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics)

An address by G. W. Kronebach (representing World Meteorological Organization)

SESSION I

(Physical basis for numerical weather prediction)

Morning Session

- 11.00-12.30 Chairman: J. G. Charney (Massachussetts Institute of Technology, U. S. A.)
 - K. Gambo (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)

Treatment of the interaction between the large-scale and convective motions in relation with the cloud amount and the stability factor

T. Asai (Kyoto University, Japan)

Controlling influence of large-scale atmospheric condition on cumulus convection Afternoon Session

- 2.00-5.00 Chairman: K. Gambo (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)
 - G. Arnason, P. S. Brown and R. T. Chu (Travelers Research Center, Inc. U. S. A.) Numerical simulation of the macrophysical and microphysical processes of moist convection
 - R. P. Pearce (Imperial College, U. K.) and H. Riehl (Colorado State University, U. S. A.)

Parametrisation of convective heat and momentum transfer suggested by analysis of Caribbean data

H. L. Kuo (University of Chicago, U.S.A.)

On the boundary layer of a maintained vortex

M. B. Danard (University of Waterloo, Canada)

Computing long-wave radiation from clouds and water vapor in a numerical prediction model

C. E. Leith (National Center for Atmospheric Research, U. S. A.)

Two dimensional eddy viscosity coefficients

H. L. Kuo (University of Chicago, U.S. A.)

On a simplified radiative-conductive heat transfer equation

6.00 - 7.30

Beer party at Geihin-kan

Second Day (November 27, Wednesday)

Morning Session

9.30-12.30 Chairman: F. H. Bushby (Meteorological Office, Bracknell, U. K.)

E. C. Kung (University of Missouri, U.S. A.)

On kinetic energy dissipation in the atmosphere

F. Baer (Colorado State University, U.S.A.)

The influence of cyclone scale waves on the planetary scale

I. Hirota (Tokyo University, Japan)

Some dynamical aspects of ultra-long waves in a baroclinic zonal current

A. Eliassen (University of Oslo, Norway)

On meso-scale mountain waves of small amplitude

SESSION II

(Mathematical models of the atmosphere for short range and medium range forecasting and models for special phenomena)

Afternoon Session

- 1.30-5.00 Chairman: A. Eliassen (University of Oslo, Norway)
 - F. G. Shuman and J. Stackpole (National Meteorological Center, U. S. A.)

The currently operational NMC model, and results of a recent simple numerical experiment

H. Reiser (Deutscher Wetterdienst, Germany F. R.)

On short-range forecasting with a baroclinic unfiltered model

F. H. Bushby (Meteorological Office, Bracknell, U. K.)

Further developments of a model for forecasting rain and weather

M. Kwizak and D. Davies (Meteorological Service of Canada, Canada) Numerical forecasts of 24-hour precipitation

Third Day (November 28, Thursday)

Morning Session

- 9.30-12.30 Chairman: E. Knighting (Meteorological Office, Bracknell, U.K.)
 - G. Fischer (University of Hamburg, Germany F.R.)

On the generation of quasi-geostrophic waves by mountains, numerical experiment with a barotropic model

M. Magata (Meteorological Research Institute, Japan)

On the study of the airflow over mountains by the numerical experiment

P. Queney (Université de Paris, France)

Models for the generation of stratospheric vortices in a steady atmospheric flow over a ground corrugation

L. Berkofsky (Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, U.S.A.)

A numerical model for investigation of upper atmosphere effects

V. A. Bugaev, E. Dobrischman, C. M. Olevskaya and A. A. Unukova (Hydrometeorological Centre, U. S. S. R.)

Analysis of the biennial oscillation of zonal wind in the equatorial zone stratosphere

SESSION III

(Mathematical models for forecasting in the tropics; typhoon and hurricane formation)

Afternoon Session

- 1.45-5.00 Chairman: M. Yanai (Tokyo University, Japan)
 - J. G. Charney (Massachussetts Institute of Technology, U.S.A.)

The intertropical convergence zone and the Hadley circulation of the atmosphere

T. Nitta and M. Yanai (Tokyo University, Japan)

Barotropic instability of the equatorial easterly current

T. N. Krishnamurti (Florida State University, U.S.A.)

Experiments in numerical prediction in low latitudes

T. Maruyama (Tokyo Gakugei University, Japan)

Upward transport of energy and westerly momentum due to large-scale disturbances in the equatorial lower stratosphere

L. Berkofsky (Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, U. S. A.)

Some numerical results from a model for hurricane prediction

Fourth Day (November 29, Friday)

Morning Session

- 9.30-12.30 Chairman: H. L. Kuo (University of Chicago, U. S. A.)
 - K. Ooyama (New York University, U.S.A.)

Numerical simulation of tropical cyclones with an axi-symmetric model

S. L. Rosenthal (National Hurricane Research Laboratory, U.S.A.)

Preliminary results from numerical experiments with a primitive equation model designed to simulate the development of tropical cyclones

E. H. Sundqvist (University of Stockholm, Sweden)

A ten-level model for simulation of the development of a tropical cyclone

M. Yamasaki (Meteorological Research Institute, Japan)

Numerical simulation of tropical cyclone development

SESSION IV

(Mathematical models for long range forecasting and numerical Simulation of the general circulation)

Afternoon Session

2.00-5.00 Chairman: M. A. Alaka (Weather Bureau, U. S. A.)

- K. Miyakoda and Staff Members (Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory, U.S.A.) Extended prediction with a nine-level global model on the Kurihara-grid
- A. Arakawa, A. Katayama and Y. Mintz (University of California, U. S. A.) Numerical simulation of the general circulation of the atmosphere
- J. Adem (Weather Bureau, U.S. A.)

Long-range numerical prediction with a time-averaged thermodynamic model

J. S. A. Green (Imperial College, U. K.)

Transfer of heat and momentum by cyclone scale eddies in the general circulation (presented by R. P. Pearce)

A. Huss and E. Doron (Hebrew University, Israel)

Planetary circulations obtained by means of two-level quasi-geostrophic models with various formulations of diabatic heating

Fifth Day (November 30, Saturday)

Morning Session

- 9.30-12.30 Chairman: A. Kasahara (National Center for Atmospheric Research, U.S.A.)
 - A. Kasahara and W. M. Washington (National Center for Atmospheric Research, U. S. A.)

Thermal and dynamical effects of orography on the general circulation of the atmosphere

S. Mashkovich (Hydrometeorological Centre, U. S. S. R.)

On controlling influence of cloud systems on large-scale atmospheric processes

A. C. Wiin-Nielsen (University of Michigan, U. S. A.)

On atmospheric response to large-scale seasonal forcing

J. Shukla (Institute of Tropical Meteorology, India)

A numerical experiment on disturbance in the tropical easterlies

2.00-4.00

Tour around Japan Meteorological Agency

Sixth Day (December 1, Sunday)

1.00-5.00

Sightseeing in Tokyo

SESSION V

(Numerical experiments to determine the requirements on a global observing system and the predictability of the atmosphere)

Seventh Day (December 2, Monday)

Morning Session

9.30-12.30 Chairman: B. R. Bolin (University of Stockholm, Sweden)

E: Lorenz (Massachussetts Institute of Technology, U.S.A.)

Estimate of the range of atmospheric predictability (presented by J. G. Charney)

J. Smagorinsky and K. Miyakoda (Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory, U. S. A.)

The relative importance of variables in initial conditions for numerical predictions

- M. A. Alaka and F. Lewis (Techniques Development Laboratory, U. S. A.)

 Numerical experiments pertinent to the design of optimum aerological networks
- P. Morel and C. Cornen (Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique, France)

 Perturbation effect of an equatorial wall on the Mintz-Arakawa global circulation model
- T. Nitta (Japan Meteorological Agency, Tokyo)
 Initialization and analysis for the primitive equation model

SESSION VI

(Definition of the initial state in numerical weather prediction)

Afternoon Session

- 2.00-5.00 Chairman: E. Dobrischman (Hydrometeorological Centre, U. S. S. R.)
 - E. Dobrischman (Hydrometeorological Centre, U. S. S. R.)
 On a numerical scheme of wind field prediction
 - Y. Sasaki (University of Oklahoma, U.S.A.) Numerical variational method of analysis and prediction
 - K. Ninomiya and S. Matsumoto (Meteorological Research Institute, Japan)
 On the objective analysis with special regards to the cloud distribution and convective transfer
 - S. Fujiwhara (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)
 On the treatment of wind data in the height analysis
 - L. S. Gandin and K. M. Lugina (Main Geophysical Observatory, U. S. A.)

 Comparison of the accuracy of objective analysis produced in various countries (presented by M. Yudin)

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Cocktail Party at the Fairmont Hotel

SESSION VII

(Mathematical and numerical procedures)

Eighth Day (December 3, Tuesday)

Morning Session

- 9.30-12.00 Chairman: F. G. Shuman (National Meteorological Center, U. S. A.)
 - Y. Okamura (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)

 A finite-difference scheme for the primitive equation model with special emphasis on the suppress of the two-grid interval noise
 - P. D. Thompson (National Center for Atmospheric Research, U. S. A.)

 A Lagrangian variable-resolution method of short-range numerical weather prediction
 - Y. Masuda (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)
 A finite difference scheme by making use of hexagonal mesh-points
 - R. Sadourny (Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique, France)

Numerical integration of the primitive equations on a spherical grid with hexagonal cells

M. I. Yudin and G. D. Kudashkin (Main Geophysical Observatory, U. S. S. R.)

Consideration of group errors of numerical forecasts as a means of improving their accuracy

Afternoon Session

- 1.30-2.20 Chairman: M. Kwizak (Meteorological Service of Canada, Canada)
 - P. Schanz (Deutscher Wetterdienst, Germany F. R.)
 On automatic input/output-processing in the German Meteorological Service
 - D. Jenssen (University of Melbourne, Australia)

 The accuracy of finite difference analogues of simple differential operations

PANEL ON OPERATIONAL ASPECTS

2.45-5.00 Chairman: F. G. Shuman (National Meteorological Center, U. S. A.)

Panellers: H. Reiser (Deutscher Wetterdienst, Germany F. R.)

E. Dobrischman (Hydrometeorological Centre, U. S. S. R.)

M. Kwizak (Meteorological Service of Canada, Canada)

F. H. Bushby (Meteorological Office, Bracknell, U. K.)

S. Kubota (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)

This informal meeting consisted of short presentations on three major topics, i. e.,

(1) the man-machine mix

(2) deficiencies in operational models

(3) cooperation between NWP centres

Each topic was followed by lively informative discussion. Forty-five scientists participated.

PANEL ON GARP

Ninth Day (December 4, Wednesday)

9.30-12.00 Introducer: R. V. Garçia (Joint Planning Staff for GARP)

Chairman: B. R. Döös (University of Stockholm, Sweden)

Panellers: J. G. Charney (Massachussetts Institute of Technology, U. S. A.)

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M. A. Alaka (Weather Bureau, U. S. A.)

F. G. Shuman (National Meteorological Center, U. S. A.)

B. R. Bolin (University of Stockholm, Sweden)

At the first, scientists were informed of the latest developments in the planning for GARP by R. V. Garçia, and this was followed by short presentation of six session chairmen. Each chairman summarized the substance of this session in the light of GARP. Each talk was followed by discussion which reflected a lively interest in GARP and its sub-programmes.

A NUMERICAL EXPERIMENT ON DISTURBANCE

IN THE TROPICAL EASTERLIES

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Institute of Tropical Meteorology, India

ABSTRACT

A numerical experiment has been performed on a tropical disturbance embedded in easterlies to test the dependency of the vertical coupling on the value of Richardson number in tropics. By a 2-layer Primitive Equation model, integrations have been performed for a period of 24 hours with two different sets of initial conditions in which the three dimensional structure of the initial easterly pattern is specified through pre-specified wind shear and different values of the Richardson number. The order of magnitude of vertical velocities, the time rate of change of kinetic energy and the phase speed of the disturbances is discussed for both the cases.

The preliminary results indicate that, even the tropical motions have appreciable degree of vertical coupling and baroclinic nature in the cases of low Richardson number. The results seem to be of special interest in context to the fact that even the mean monthly values of static stability are found to be negative in the middle and lower troposphere in the tropics.

* The work has been done at the Electronic Computation Centre, Japa Met. Agency, Tokyo while the author was there under a WMO Fellowship.

Discussion on J. Shukla paper

Speaker: J. Shukla (ref. page III-109)

- A. Kasahara: I noticed in your presentation that you assumed the Coriolis parameter f to be constant and ignored the variation of f with respect to latitude. Since you are dealing with numerical solutions, I would think that the constant f assumption is not needed. As a matter of fact, your assumption excludes a very important mode of large -scale waves in tropics which has been discussed by Matsuno, Rosenthal and many others.
- A: I agree that f was taken constant and it was done intentionally because basically this study is a model experiment. The primary aim is to see the relative behaviour of the disturbance in the two cases characterized solely by different values of static stability.
- J.G. Charney: 1. I think there has been a misunderstanding:
- I did not value the geostrophic assumption in my 1963 note in J.A.S.
- 2. I also pointed out that when condensation takes place there is vertical coupling. The main purpose was to show that when it does not take place there is little vertical coupling. Evidence for this was presented by Dr. Yanai, whose time series spectral analyses stand two maxima of disturbance K.E., one at the ground and one at the tropopose with limited vertical coherence for each: the lower extending to 600 mb or so and, there upper from 50 mb to perhaps 300 mb.
- 3. What is the average value of Richardson number in the tropics?
- 4. Since the spectrum does not give the value, I will, it is about 100, i.e., enough to guarantee decoupling.
- A: 1. I agree there was a misunderstanding. However, the aim of the present work mainly is to see the effect of the value of Richardson number even in the case when Rossby number is not small.
- 2. The present work also confirms the idea that when the Richardson number is small, as in the condensation regions, the vertical coupling is appreciable.
- 3. I will not be able to give a definite figure about the average value of Richadson number for the tropics because due to the extremely inhomogeneous character of tropics, it will depend upon the type, area and time of averaging. For example, in the monsoon season over India even the mean monthly values of Richardson number may be quite small. However, at the Institute, we are now computing the stability parameters for many stations covering the entire tropical belt and after that perhaps I will be able to give a definite figure.
- 4. I very much agree that if value of Ri is 100, it guarantees decoupling. However, the main point which I want to bring forth is that, as also earlier stated by Dr. Charney, there are cases when Ri is quite small and such systems have vertical coupling. Thus this experiment further confirms the idea put forward by Dr. Charney on the basis of scale analysis.