
The Climate Modelling Toolkit

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What?

- A Python based toolkit
- A ***flexible*** problem solving environment
- Efficiency of compiled code
- Intuitive Python data structures

Configuring Computations [[Beg et. al](#)]

- Compile time (Some GCM parameters)
- Configuration file (Most GCMs)
- GUI (MATLAB's Simulink, PUMA/PLASIM)
- Domain specific language (DSL), i.e, run code within code (dedalus, climlab, CliMT)

Why DSLs?

- Higher level abstractions → Lesser code to specify model
- Full development environment available
- Full pipeline - Configure, Execute, Analyse, Plot
- Easier to use and reproduce

Why CliMT?

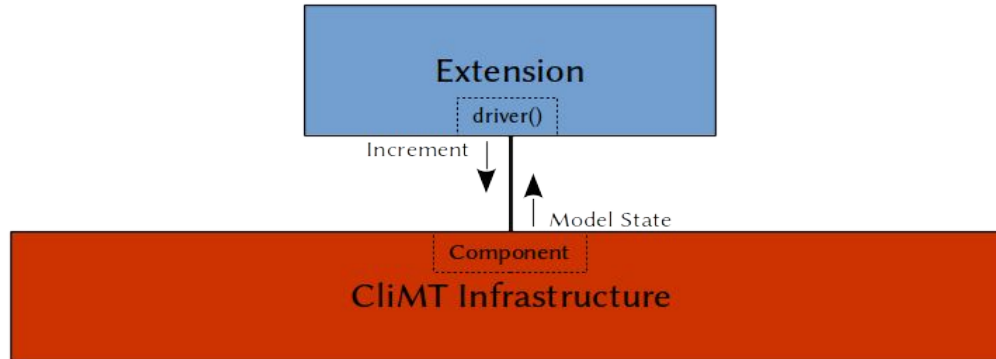
- Research standard components, classroom standard usability
- Easy to start with a simple model and build a more sophisticated one
- Integrates into the Python scientific computing ecosystem

For Whom?

- Not the High-* community!
- Idealised/Simplified Modelling
- Algorithm development
- Sensitivity studies
- Classroom

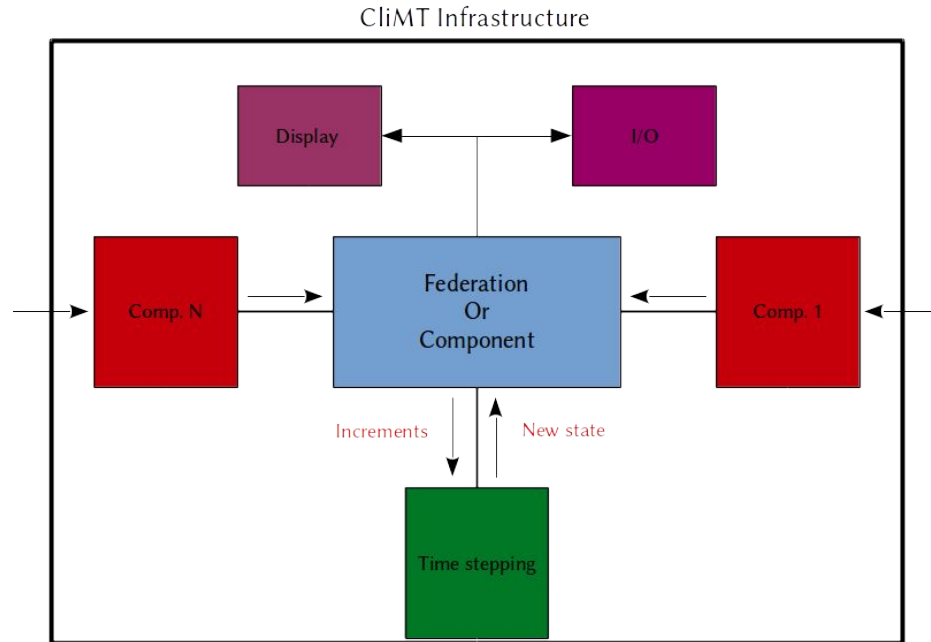
How?

- Extensions → Compiled Code
- Components → CliMT Interface

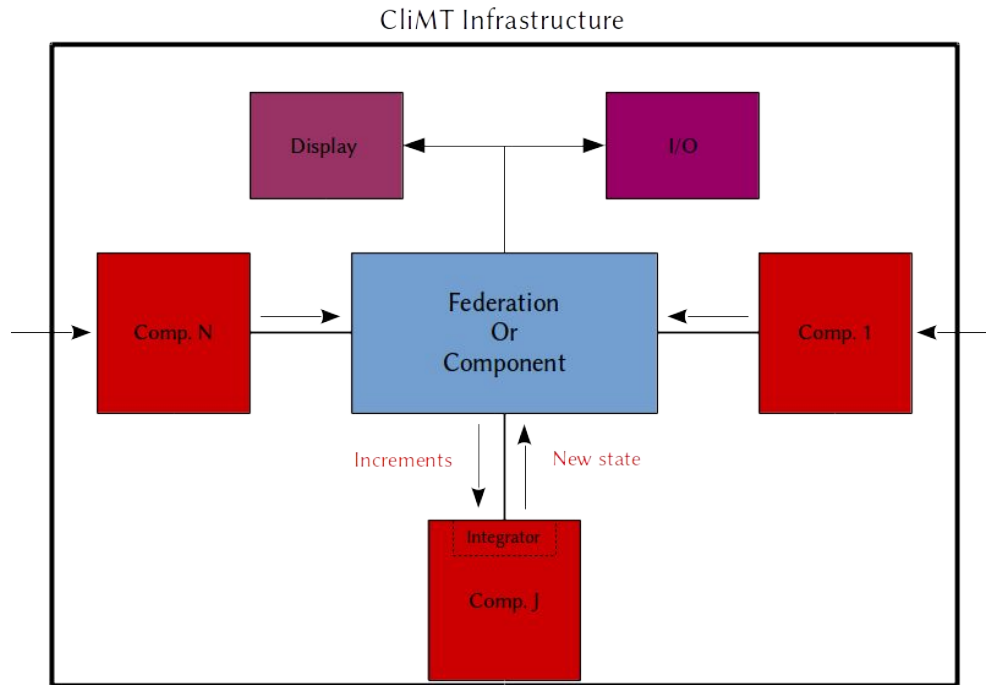


How?

- *Federation* $\rightarrow \sum_i \text{Component}(i)$



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- Component is configured using a dictionary
- Optionally, Components are combined in a Federation
- Model runs within a simple while/for loop
- Model state is accessed by treating Fed/Comp as dictionary

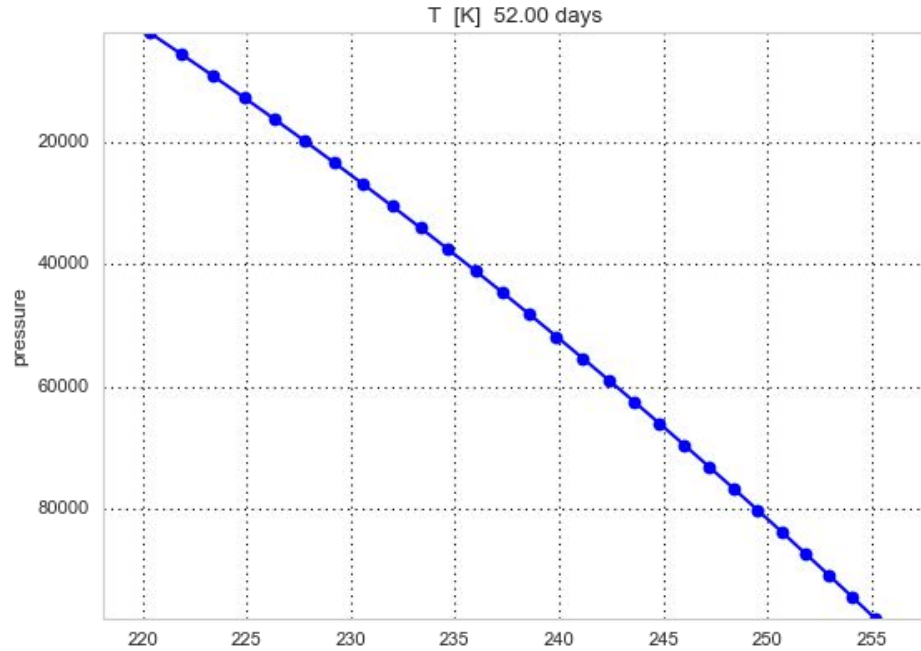
Radiative Equilibrium

```
import numpy as np
import climt
import seaborn as sns
sns.set_style('whitegrid',rc={'grid.linestyle':'dotted', 'grid.color':'0.0'})

# All configuration is done via a python dictionary
kwargs = {}
kwargs['MonitorFields'] = ['T']
kwargs['solin'] = 400.
rad = climt.radiation(scheme='newgreygas', **kwargs)

# Fields are accessed by treating Component as dictionary
T = np.zeros(rad.nlev) + (kwargs['solin']/2./5.67e-8)**0.25
rad['T'] = T

for i in range(5000):
    rad.step()
```



Radiative Equilibrium

Radiative-Convective Equilibrium

```
import climt
from climt.simple_physics_custom import simple_physics_custom

global_time_step = 300.

#Initialise radiation
rad = climt.radiation(scheme='newgreygas')

#Initialise simple physics
kwargs = {}
kwargs['lsc'] = False
kwargs['use_ext_ts'] = True
kwargs['dt'] = global_time_step

solar_in = 450.
Ts = (solar_in/5.67e-8)**0.25*np.ones((1,1))
kwargs['Ts'] = Ts

phys = simple_physics_custom(**kwargs)
```

Radiative-Convective Equilibrium

```
#Initialise convection
kwargs = {}
kwargs['dt'] = global_time_step

conv = climt.convection(scheme='emanuelnew', **kwargs)

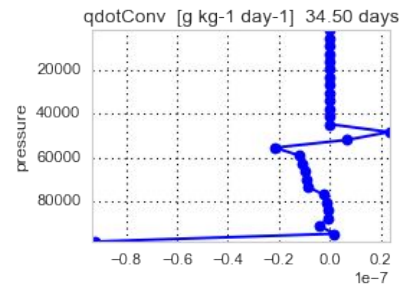
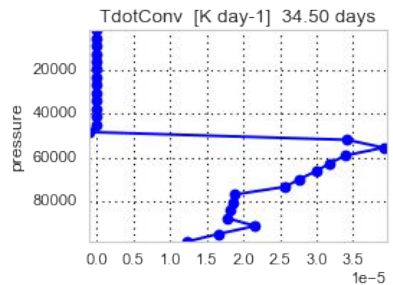
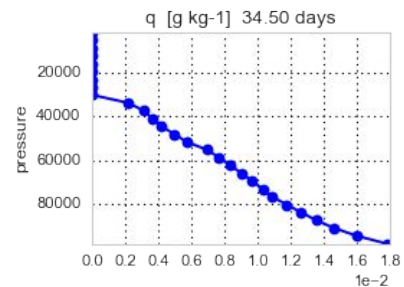
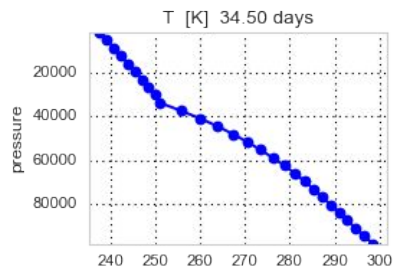
#Initialise federation
kwargs = {}
kwargs['MonitorFields'] = ['T', 'q', 'TdotConv', 'qdotConv']
T = np.zeros((1,1,rad.nlev)) + (solar_in/2./5.67e-8)**0.25
U = 20.*np.ones((1,1,rad.nlev))

kwargs['dt'] = global_time_step
kwargs['T'] = T
kwargs['U'] = U
kwargs['Ts'] = Ts

fed = climt.federation(rad, phys, conv, **kwargs)
```

Radiative-Convective Equilibrium

```
for i in range(10000):  
    #Maintain boundary layer winds  
    climt_U = fed['U']  
    dU = -(1./86400)*global_time_step*(climt_U - U)  
    fed.step(Inc={'U':dU})  
    #Set negative values of q to zero  
    q = fed['q']  
    q[q<0] = 0  
    fed['q'] = q
```



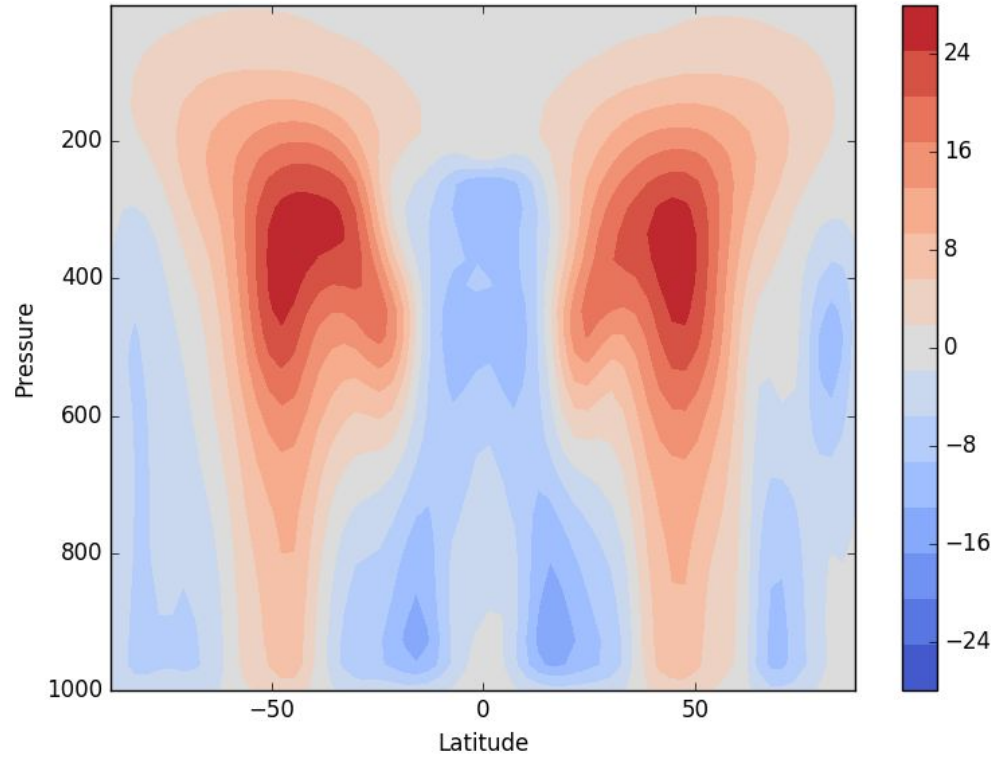
In contrast to...

- Model Configuration → Build configuration file
- Physics Configuration → Namelist
- Execution → Shell script

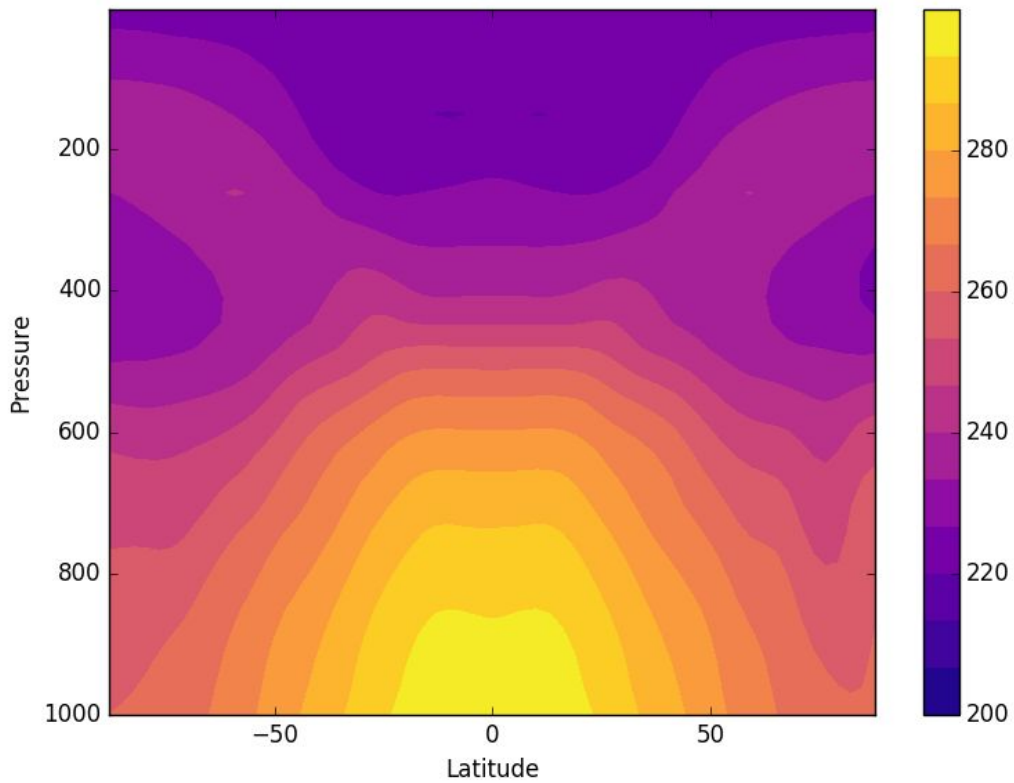
Idealised GCM

- Just add dynamical core to federation!
- Small catch: need to propagate dynamical core grid

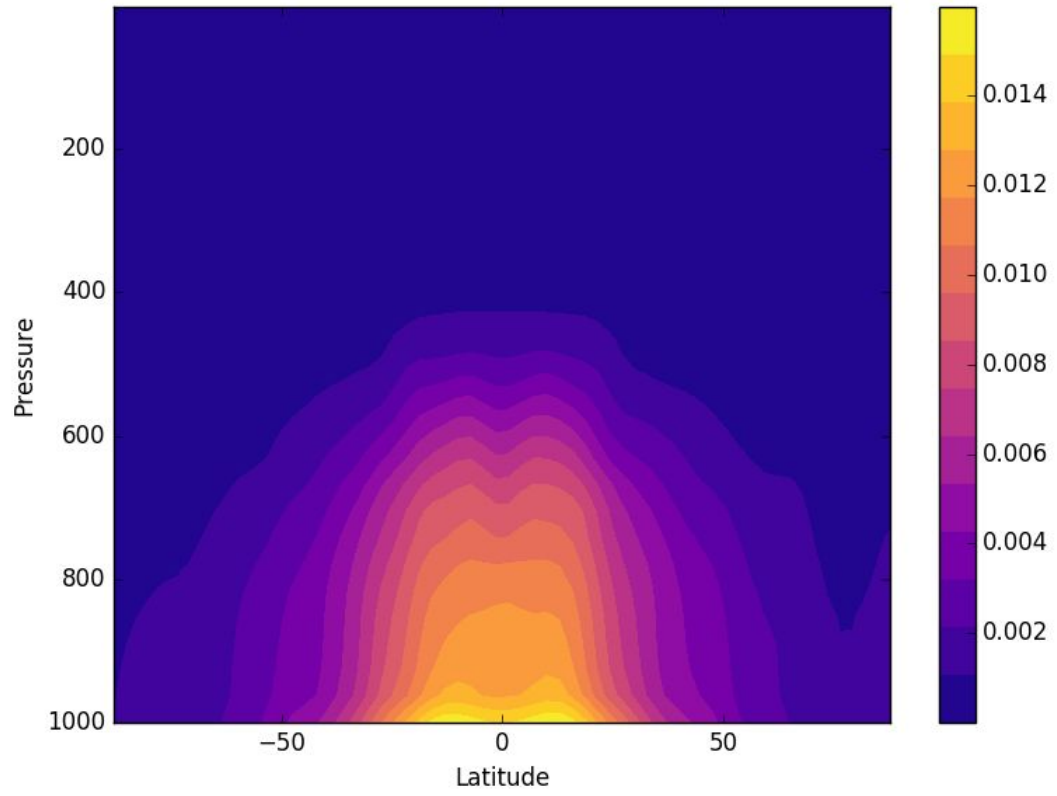
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fed = federation(dycore, rad, phys, conv, **kwargs)
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Zonal Winds



Temperature



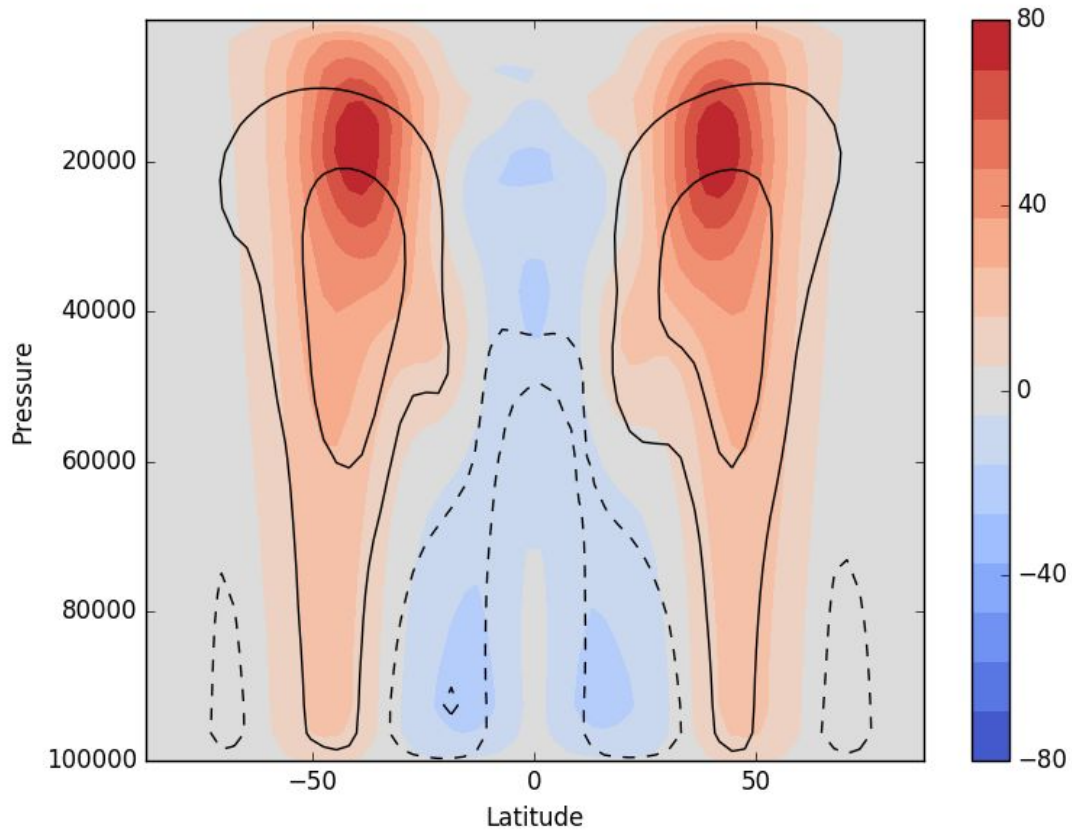
Specific Humidity

And if you change...

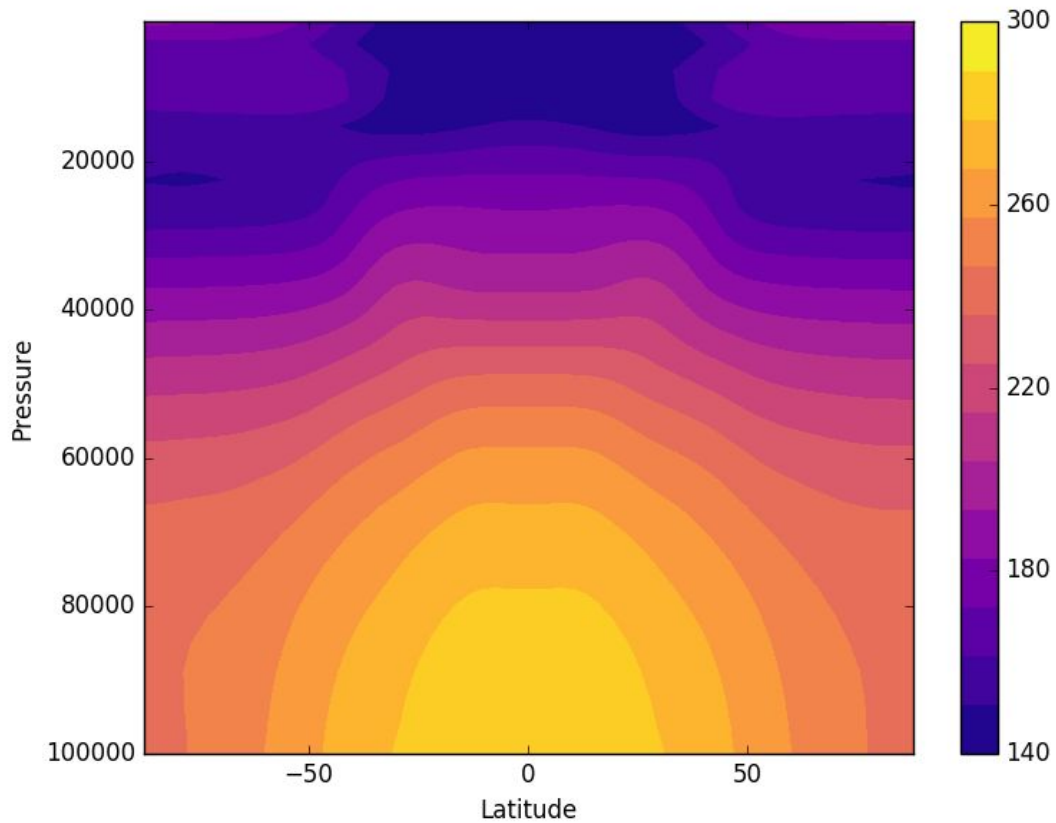
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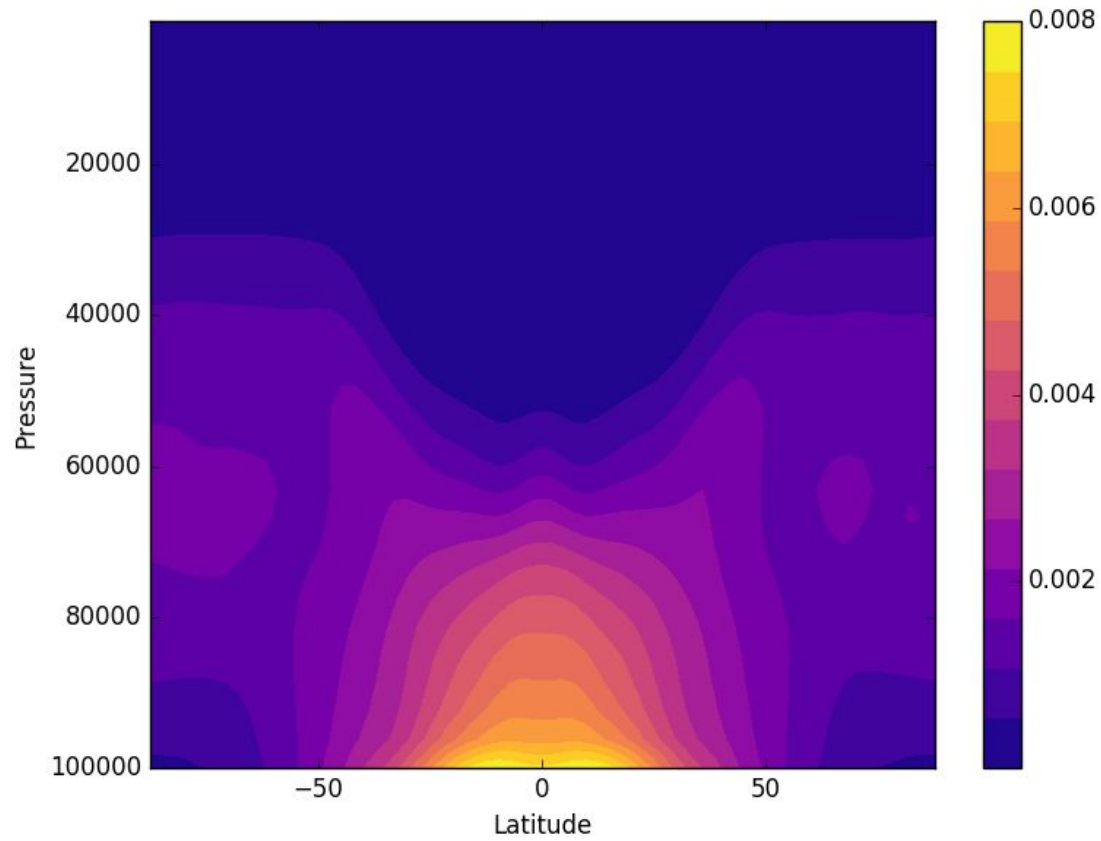
```
rad = climt.radiation(scheme='ccm3', **kwargs)
```



Zonal Winds



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What can you try out?

- Radiative-Convective Equilibrium
- Held-Suarez
- DCMIP tests (Dry BC wave, Maintain basic state, Trop. Cyclone)
- Idealised moist GCM with grey or realistic radiation

Towards CliMT 1.0

- Feb-end 2017
- Will actually be usable!
 - Documentation
 - Regression testing
 - Packaging (pip, hopefully conda)

<https://github.com/CliMT/climt-python>