# Dynamics and Thermodynamics of Convection

# Deep continental convection

- Science questions
  - Complexities of real as opposed to idealized storms
  - Wind and thermodynamic patterns within storms
- Measurements needed
  - ► Thermodynamic environment (array of soundings etc.)
  - Measuring internal dynamic and thermodynamic fields in storms
  - Aerosol and cloud droplet/hydrometeor structure
  - Higher sampling frequency

# Deep maritime convection

- Science questions
  - Environmental control of form and distribution of convection
  - Effect of convection on the environment
  - Effect of climate change on convection
- Measurements needed
  - Thermodynamic environment (array of soundings)
  - Mesoscale mass flux, divergence of moisture, MSE
  - Cloud-scale Updraft/downdraft structure
  - Aerosol and cloud droplet/hydrometeor structure
  - Surface fluxes and SST
  - Short and longwave radiation

## Shallow convection

- Science questions
  - Explain morphology of convection
  - Understand transitions between different morphologies
  - Mixed phase clouds aerosol budget
- Measurements needed
  - Thermodynamic environment (array of soundings)
  - Mesoscale spatial structure
  - Updraft/downdraft structure
  - Aerosol and cloud droplet/hydrometeor structure
  - Short and longwave radiation

## **Facilities**

#### Instruments

- Fast scanning Doppler radar at multiple wavelengths and dual polarization (land, ship, airborne: APAR)
- Vertically pointing W/K-band Doppler radar (X-band?)
  (land surface, ship?, airborne)
- Dropsondes (over land)/radiosondes
- Remote sensing of wind, temperature, humidity (Raman lidar, WV-DIAL + temperature, Doppler lidar) (land surface, ship, airborne, multiple sets for arrays)
- ▶ In situ aerosol/microphysics instrumentation
- In situ, in-cloud thermodynamics
- Long and shortwave radiation instrumentation

#### Platforms

- Aircraft, including high altitude, long range, heavy lifting, and convective penetration: A-10
- Ships for radar, radiosondes, etc.

