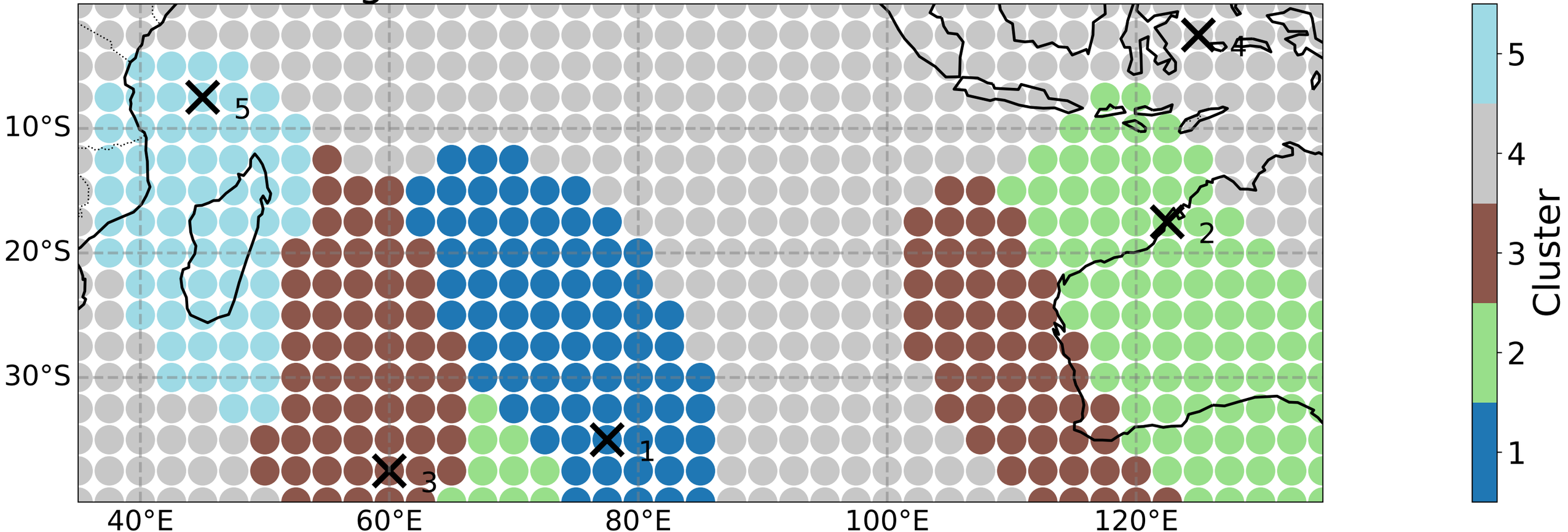Zonal gradient of meridional wind at 200 hPa