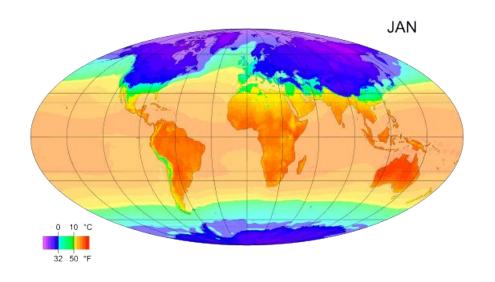
Terrestrial Temperature & Rainfall

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Land and Sea Surface Temperature Variations



Seasonal variations in temperature cause changes in:

- Northern and Southern
 Hemisphere temperature
 gradients
- Land-sea temperature gradients

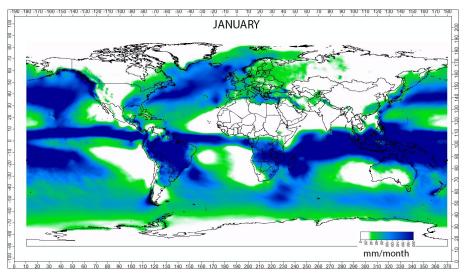
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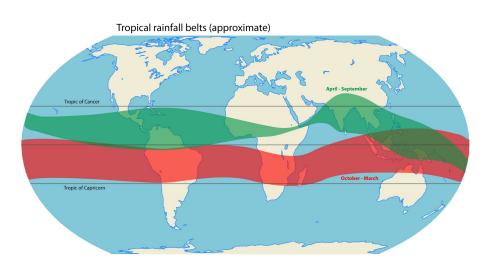
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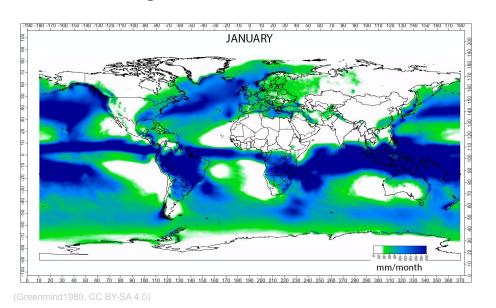


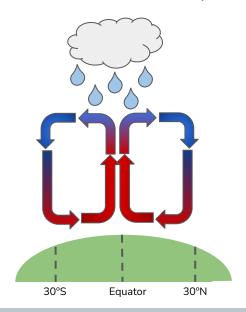
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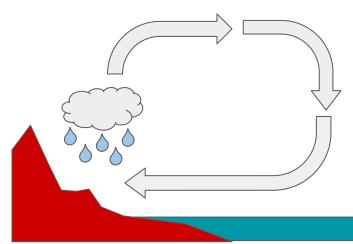


Remember this from Tutorial 3?

The ITCZ forms where equatorial air masses converge and rise!

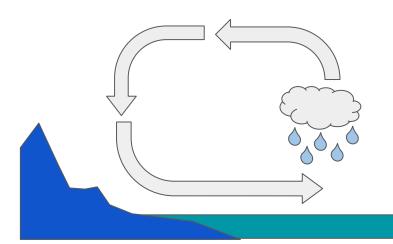
Monsoon Systems

Present-Day NH Summer



Warmer land Low pressure

Cooler ocean High pressure Present-Day NH Winter



Cooler land High pressure

Warmer ocean Low pressure



Tutorial 5: Xarray Data Analysis and Climatology

- These changes in rainfall and temperature associated with the migration of the ITCZ and monsoon occur on seasonal timescales
- In this tutorial, we will use data analysis tools in Xarray to explore seasonal climatology in global temperature and precipitation data

