High resolution numerical modelling of deep moist convective processes: turbulent parameterizations and gridscale effects

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Nowadays computer power has grown to the point that very-fine-mesh mesoscale modelling is approaching a new issue: the suitability of subgridscale turbulence parameterization used in mesoscale models for operational purposes on this scale range (O(1km) or less). In this work, deep moist convective processes in simplified atmospheric scenarios (e.g. supercell) are studied by means of high resolution numerical simulations with Cosmo Model. Particular attention will be paid to determine at which grid-spacing the convection-resolving solutions statistically converge from a turbulence perspective with respect to flow field structure, transport properties and precipitation forecast. Different turbulent closures will be used and their impact on the spatial-temporal properties of convective fields in simplified atmospheric scenarios will be discussed.