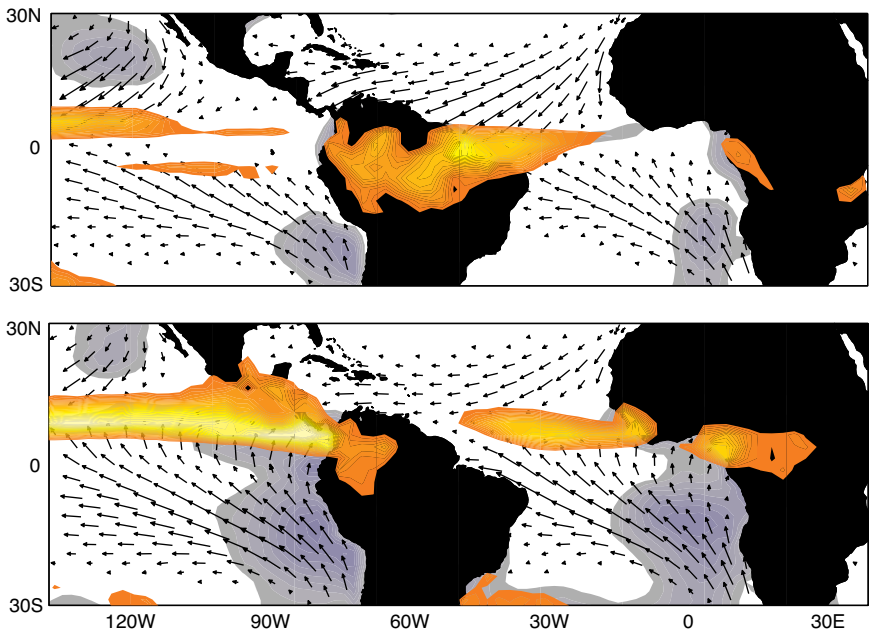

Figure 9. As in Fig. 2, but for the March-April mean (upper panel and September-October mean conditions (lower panel). Note the double ITCZ configuration in the Pacific, symmetric about the equator in March-April, in contrast to the prominent single ITCZ near 10°N in September. A strongly contrasting structure is also observed in the Atlantic sector, with the ITCZ displaced farther north in September-October. Rainfall rates in excess of 20 cm per month are colored orange-yellow.