

Modelling and Measurements of the interactions between aerosols and clouds during ACTIVE

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Campaign 1

Nov

13 ED			16ED GF	17	18	19 D GF
20	21	22	23 D GF	24 D	25	26
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This study

Dec

Test

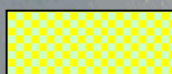
Survey

Hector

Mixed survey/Hector



Single-cellular
Hector

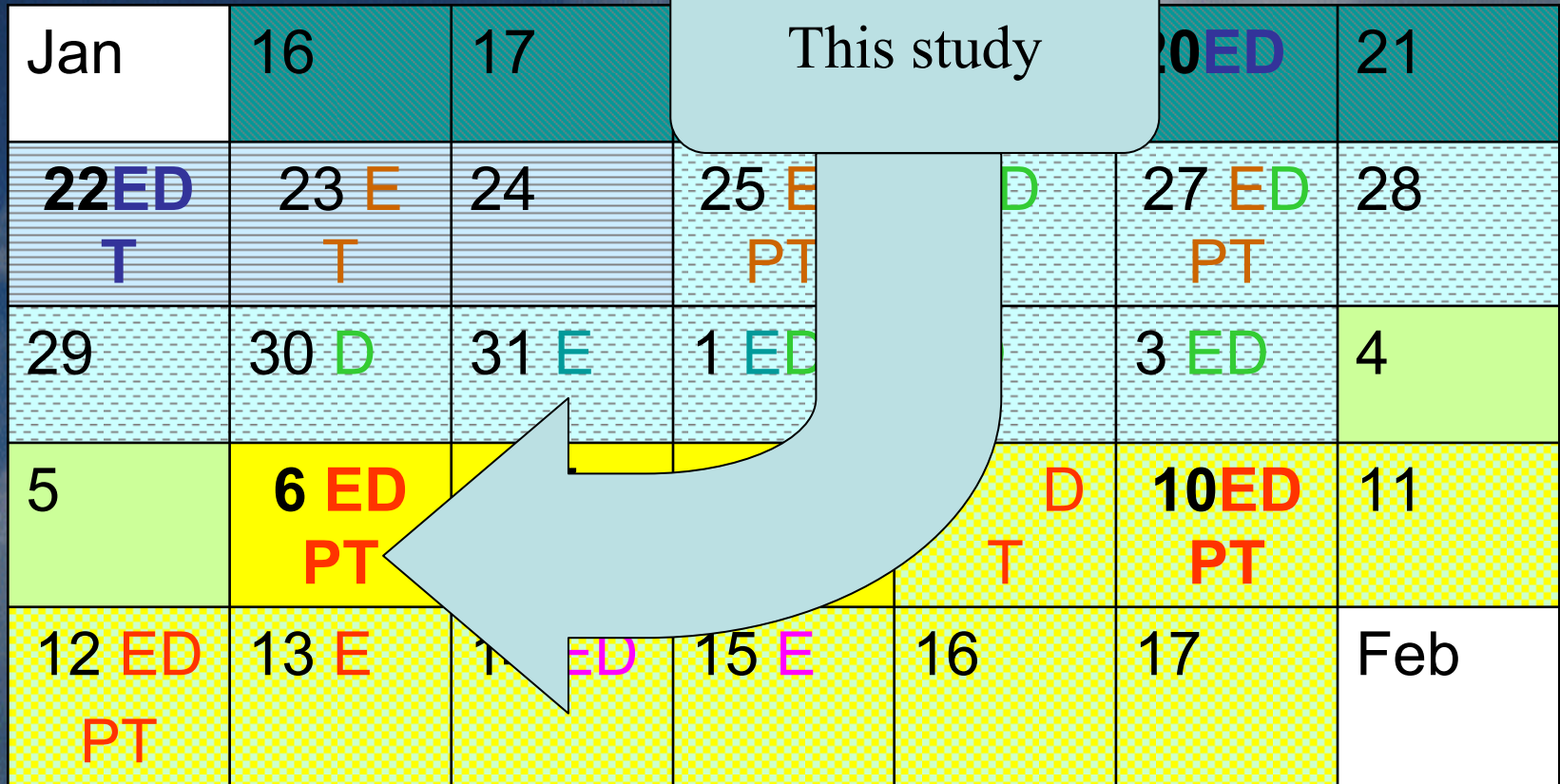


Multi-cellular
Hector



Mini-monsoon

Campaign 2



Test

Survey

Hector

Monsoon

Aged anvil

Lidar

Westerly Monsoon

Monsoon trough

Inactive Monsoon

Single-cellular
Hector

Multi-cellular
Hector

Summary

- Around 30 flights with each aircraft in and around tropical convection
- Inflow conditions change from polluted early in November (smoke from biomass burning) to very clean in Jan/Feb
- Hectors observed in polluted and clean regimes
- Monsoon convection observed in the second half of January

Question

- Can we observe the thermodynamic indirect effect? AND How important is it?

LEM Model framework

Large eddy model

- Island heat fluxes and roughness length - MODIS.
- Droplet activation – Twomey 1959: $N=Cs^k$
 - Maritime: $C=240\text{cm}^{-3}$, Continental: $C=720\text{cm}^{-3}$.
- 2-moment bulk microphysical scheme.
- 3-moment graupel scheme-density of graupel.
- Radiation code – LW, SW.

Heterogeneous freezing of rain

$$\left. \frac{dN_R}{dt} \right|_{fr} = -N_R \times V \times J_{het}(T)$$

Bigg 1953

$$\left. \frac{dq_R}{dt} \right|_{fr} = \left. \frac{dN_R}{dt} \right|_{fr} \times \bar{q}_R$$



Important to predict number of
activated droplets and raindrops

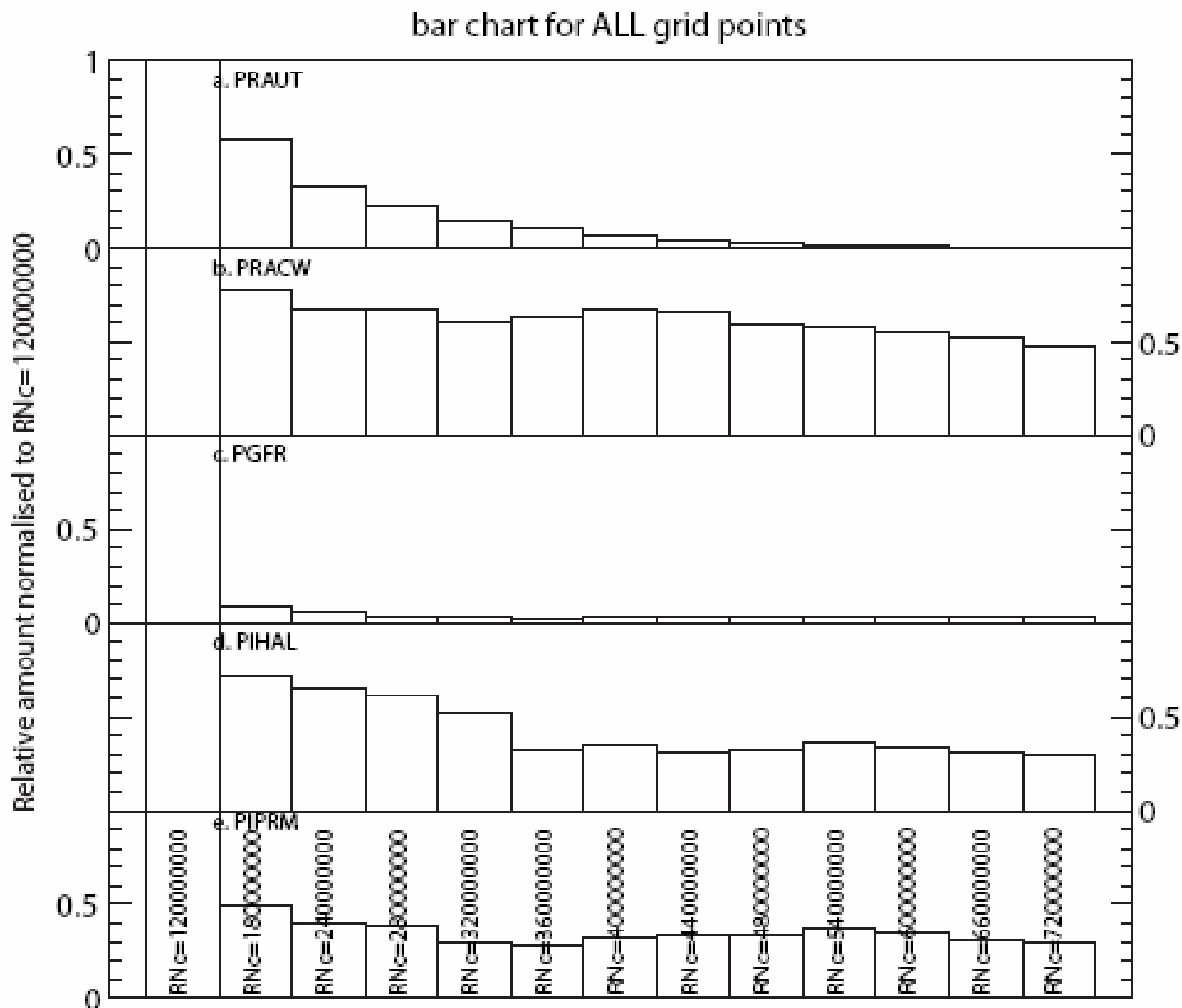
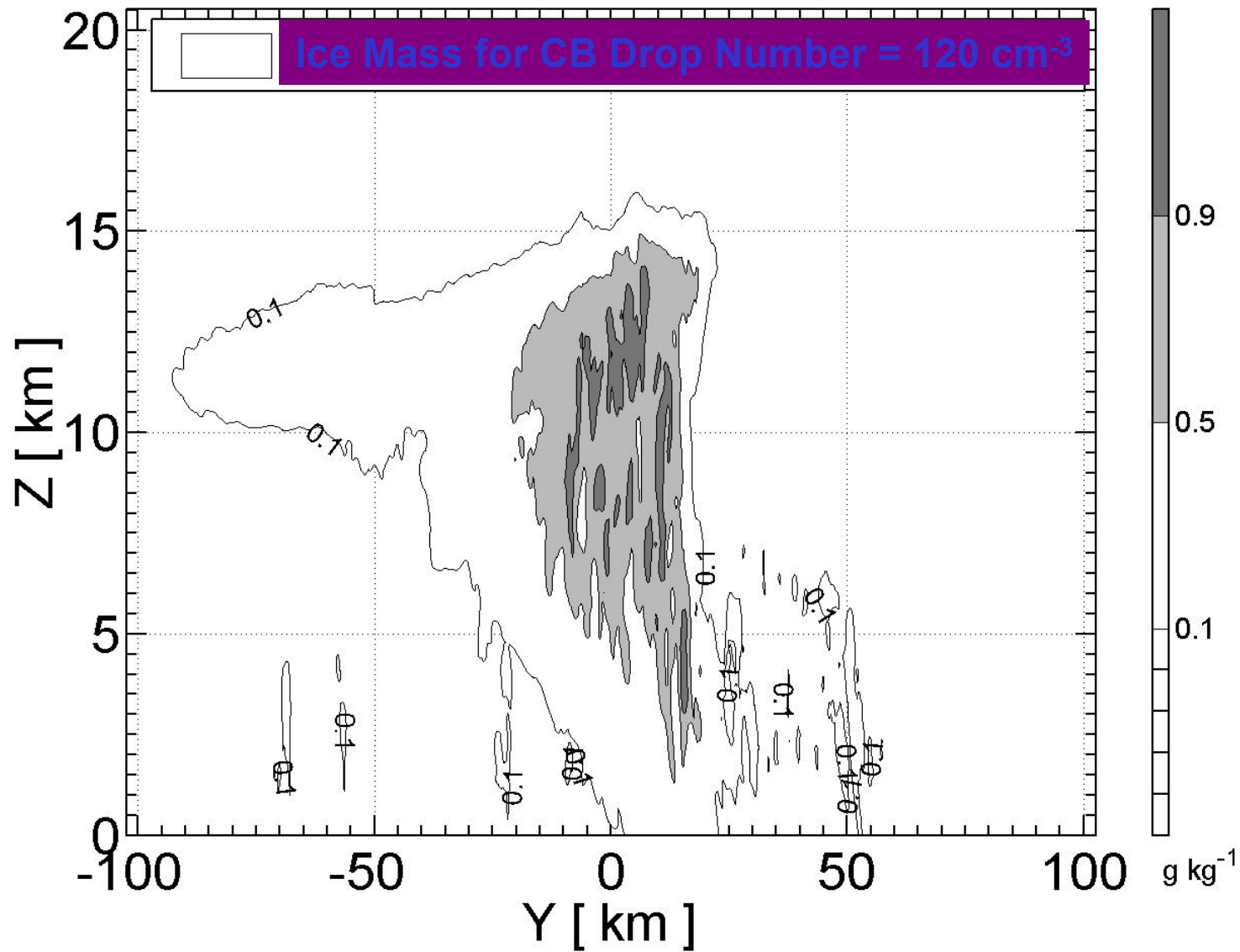
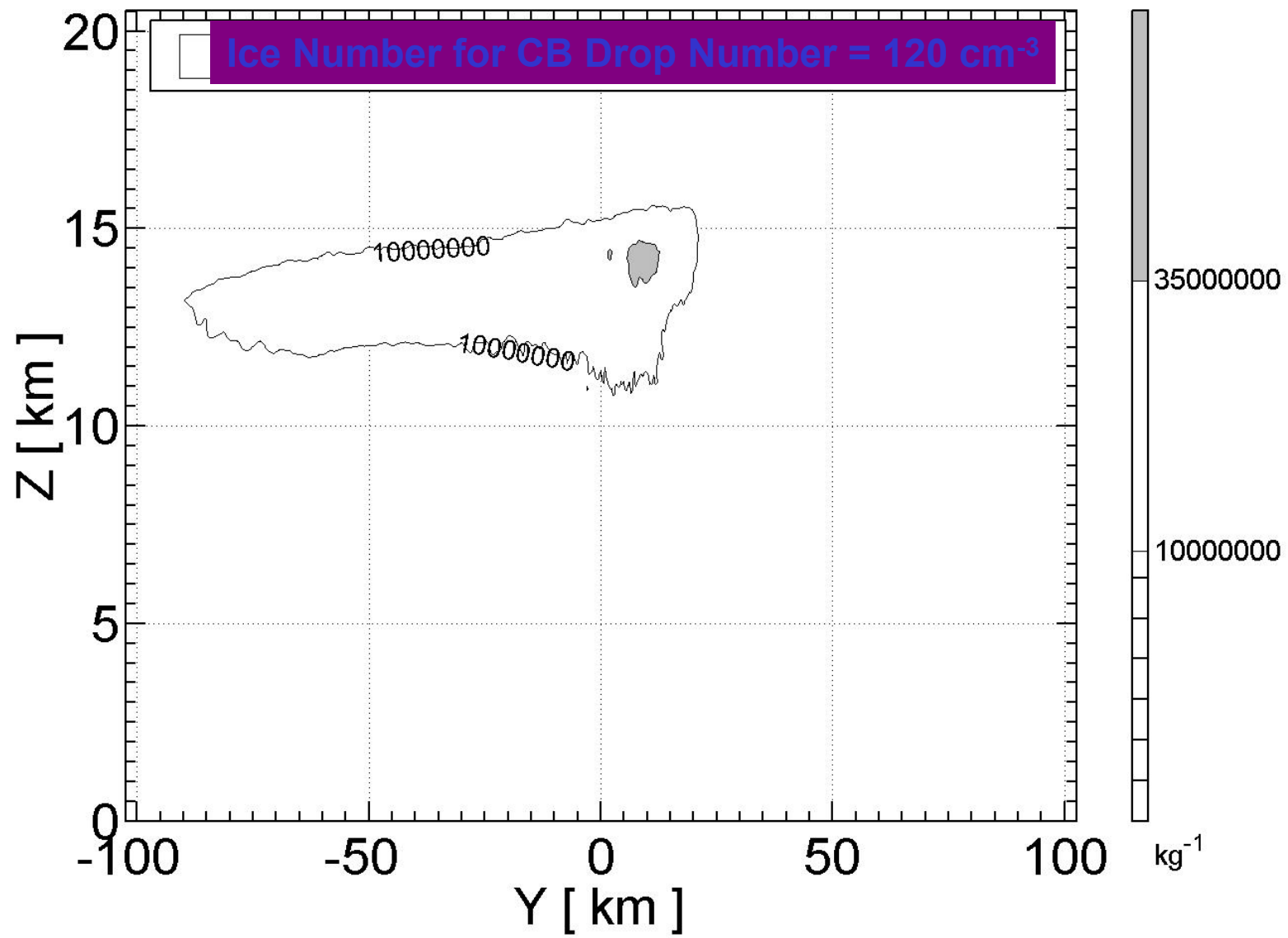
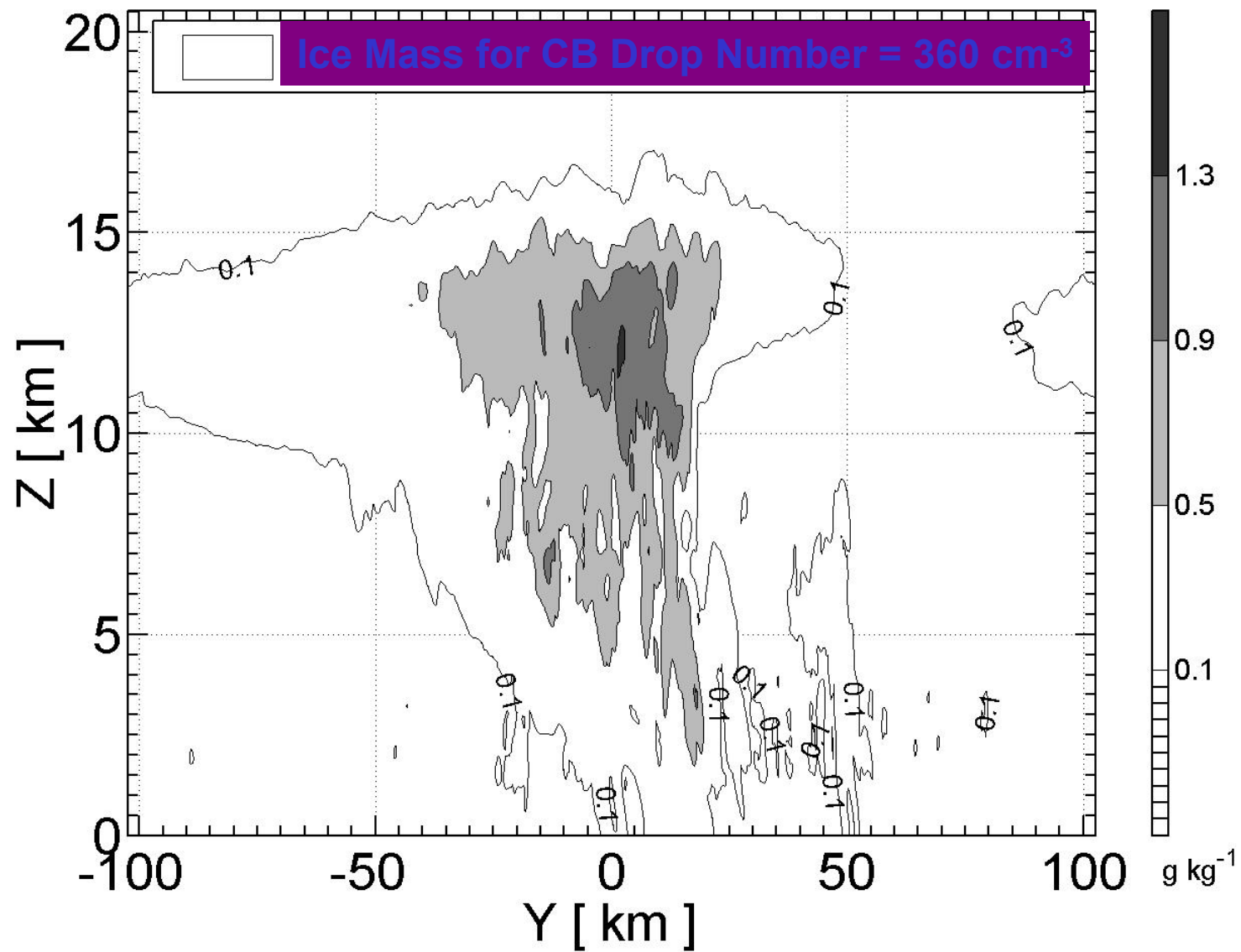
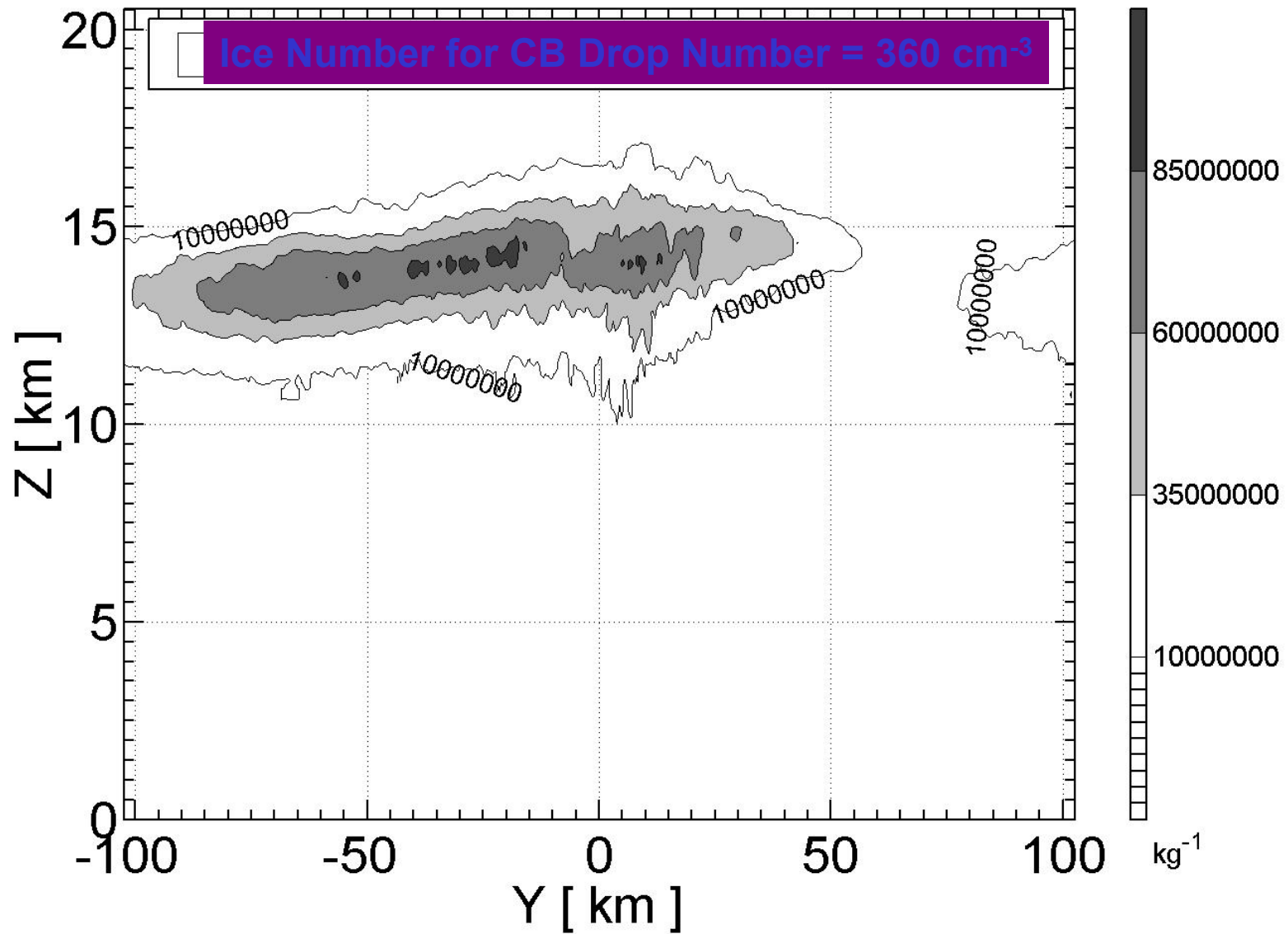


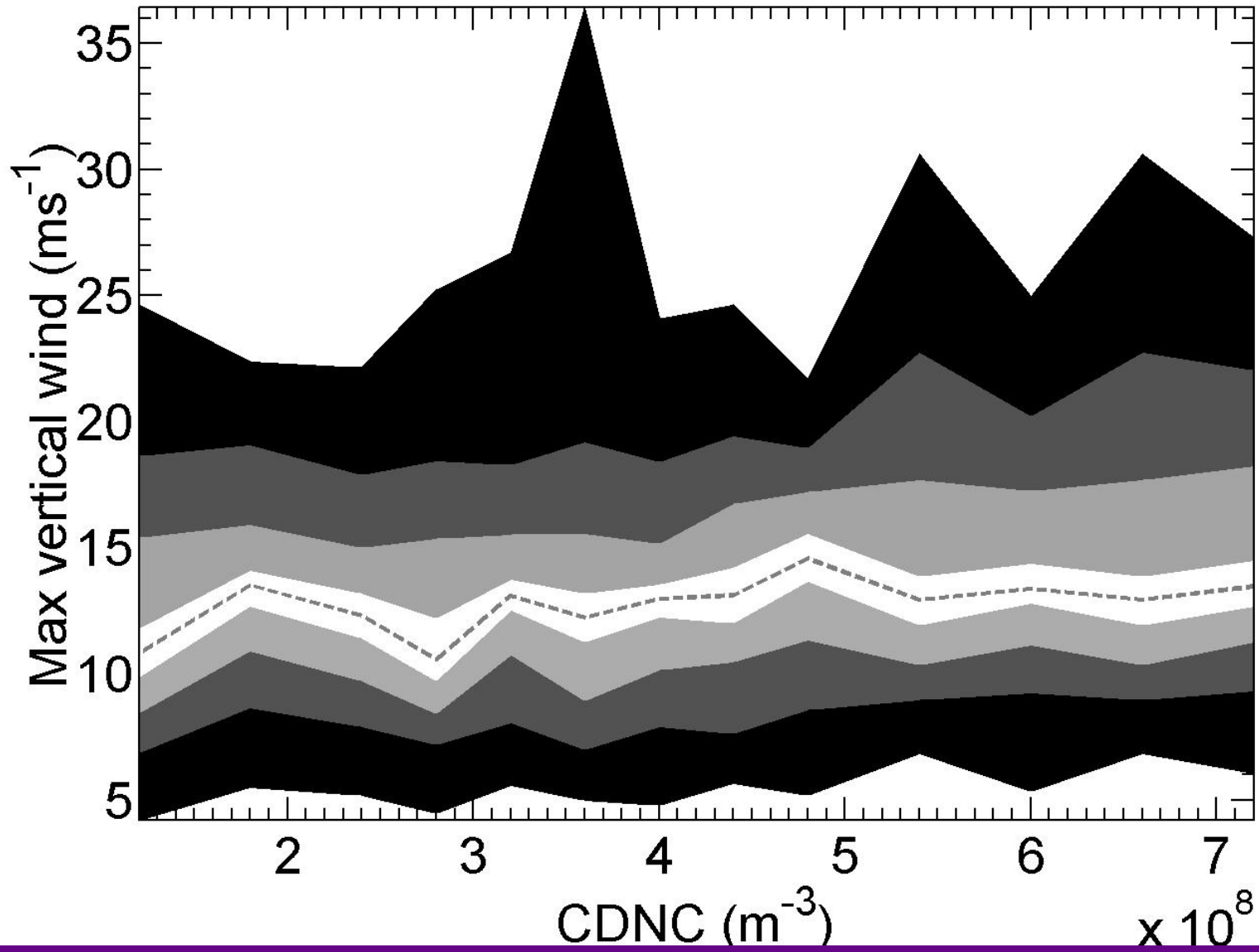
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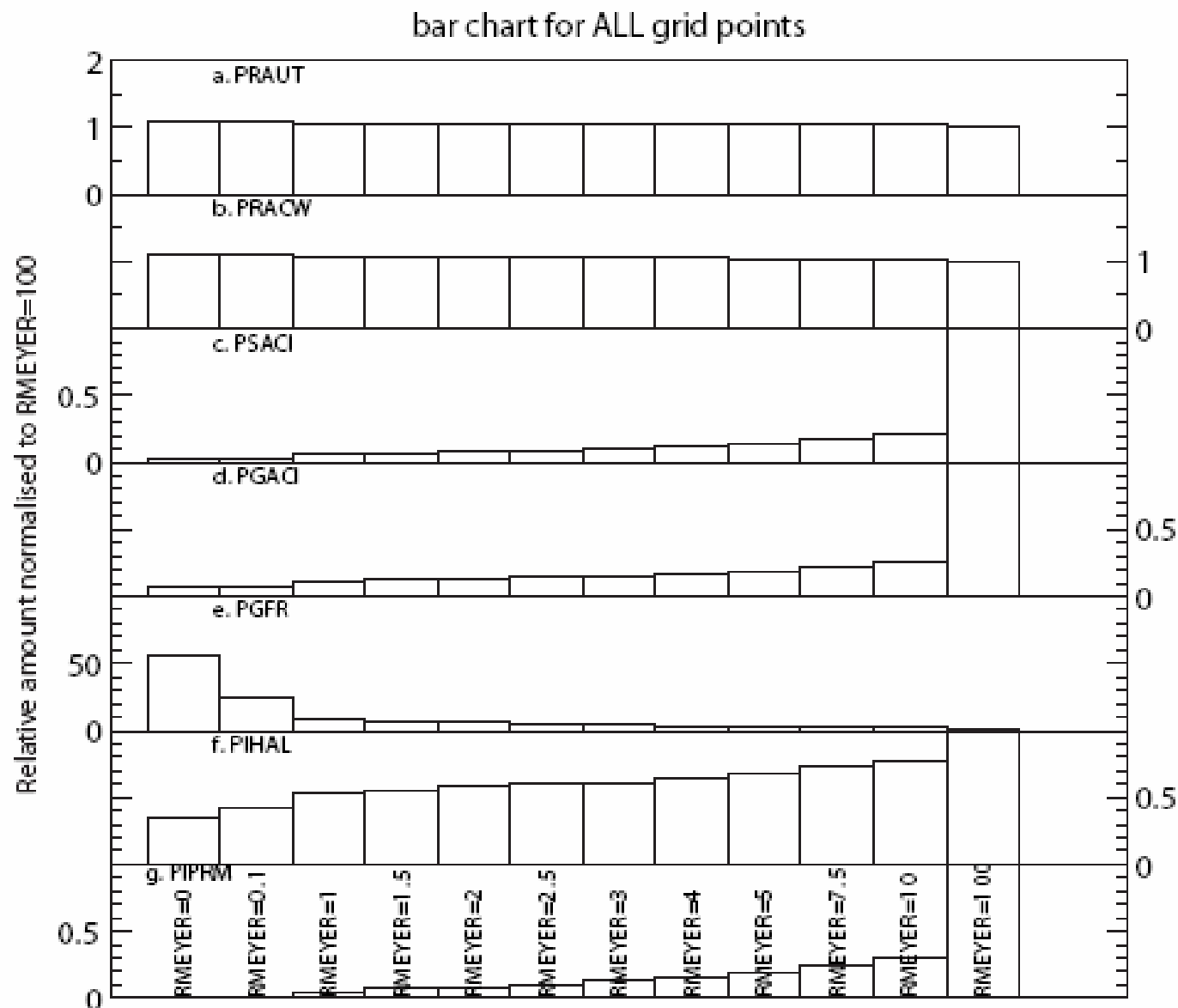
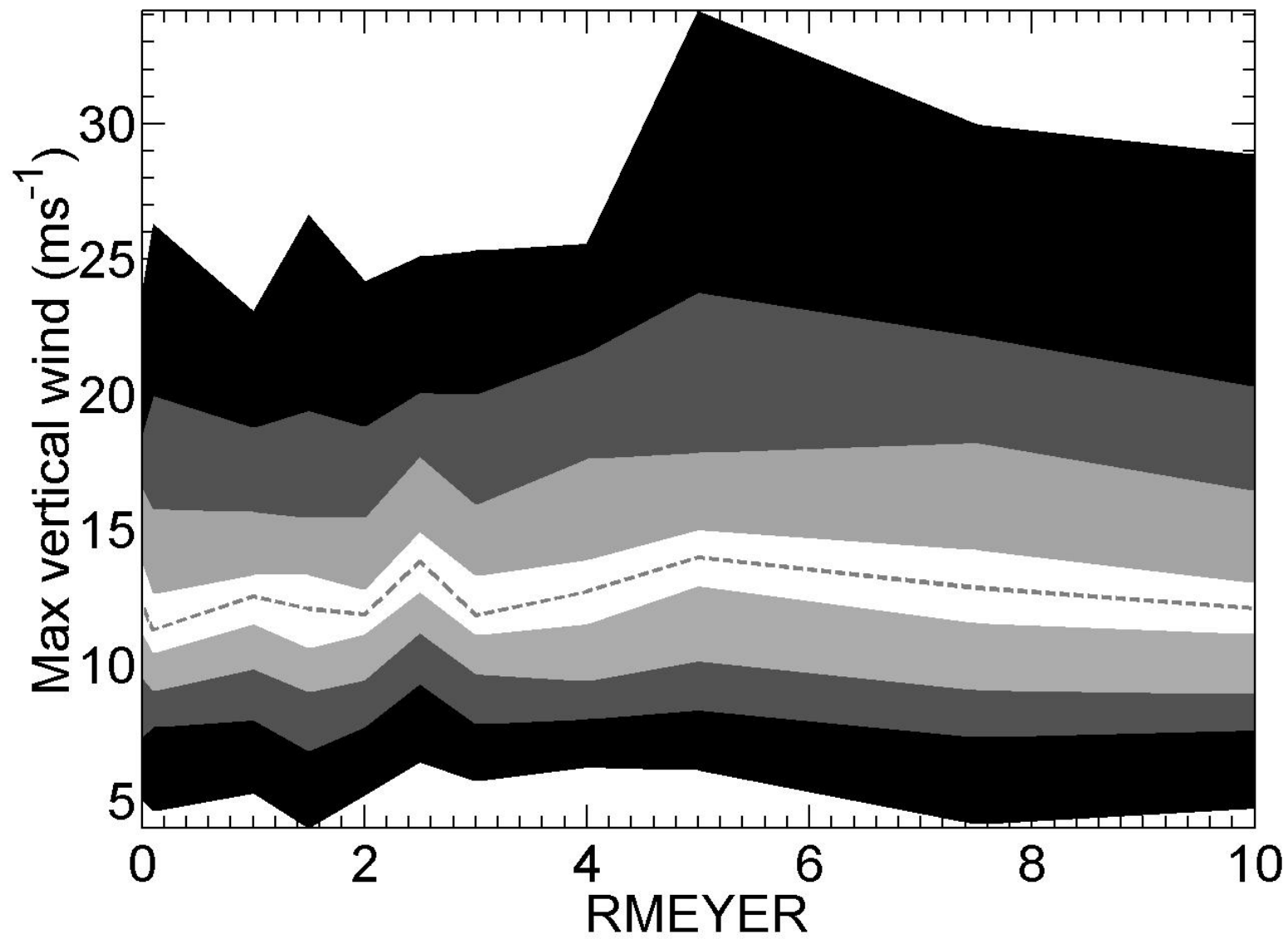


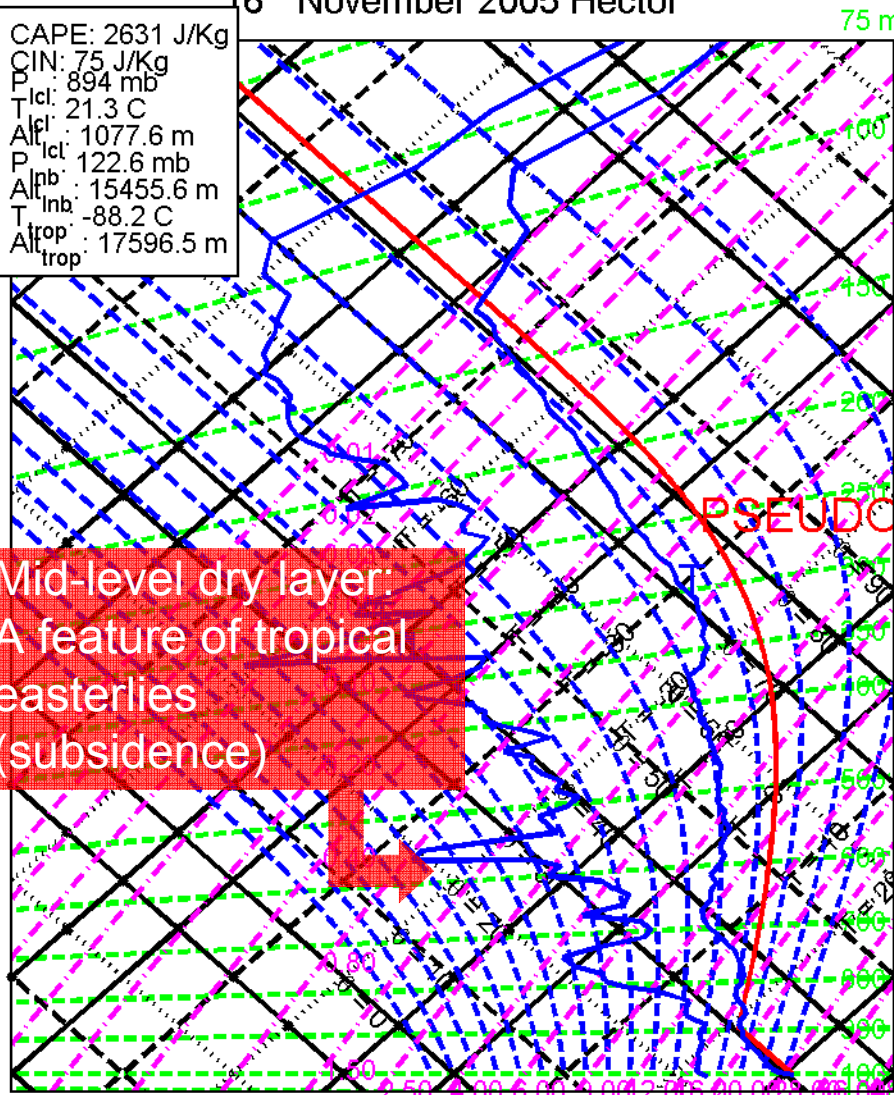
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Two Hectors... Data – Peter May

16th November 2005 Hector

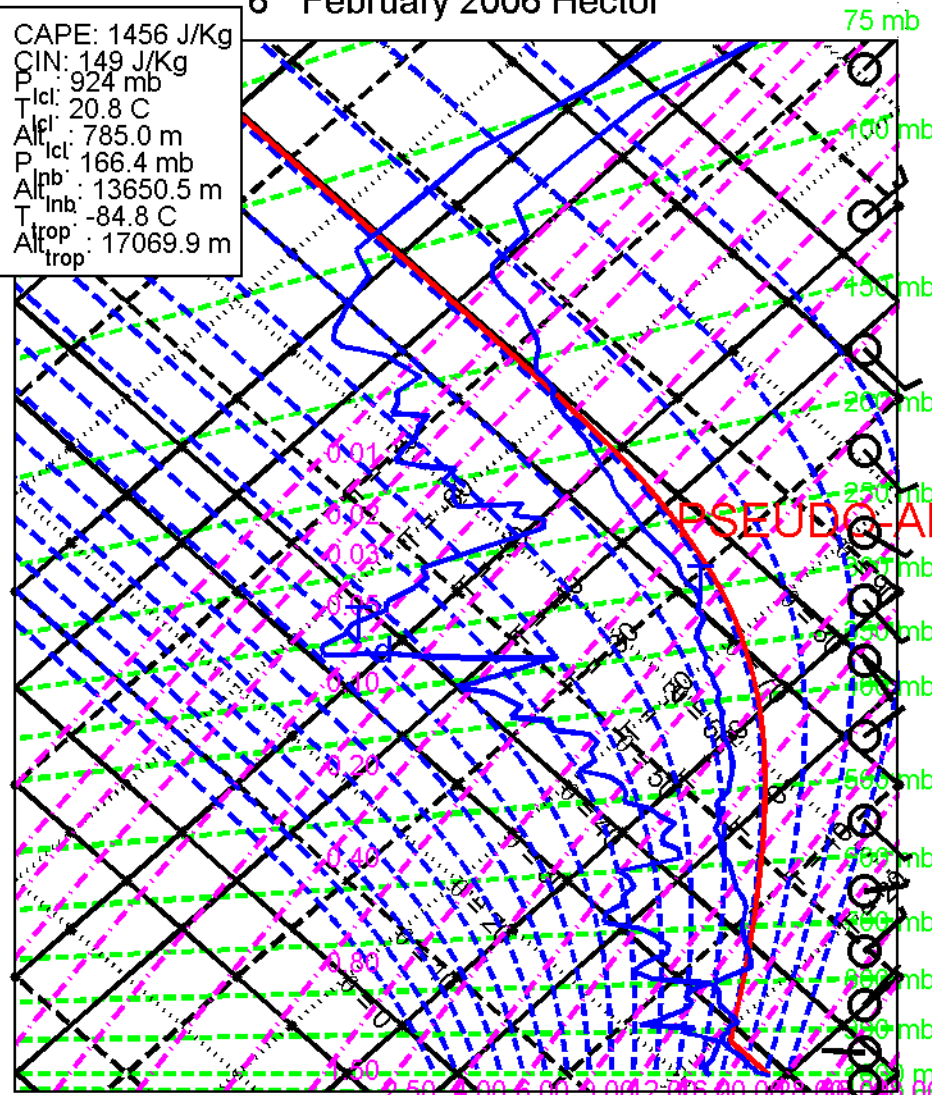
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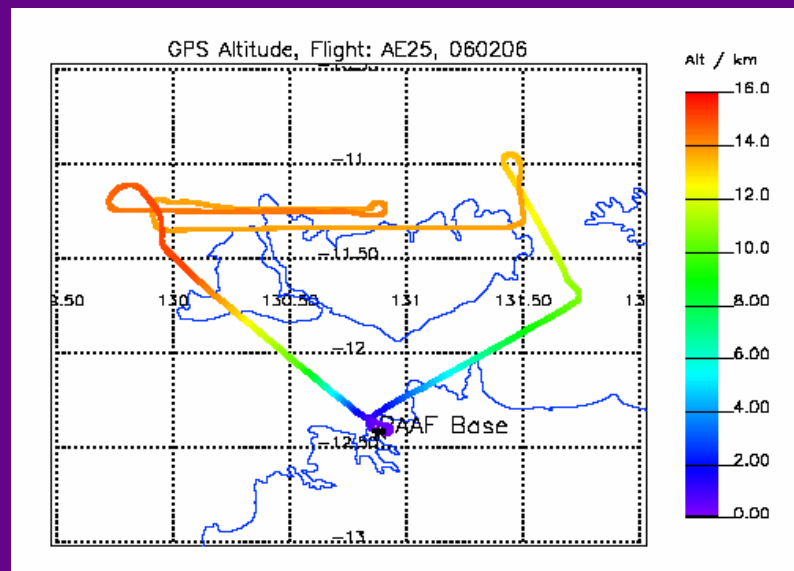
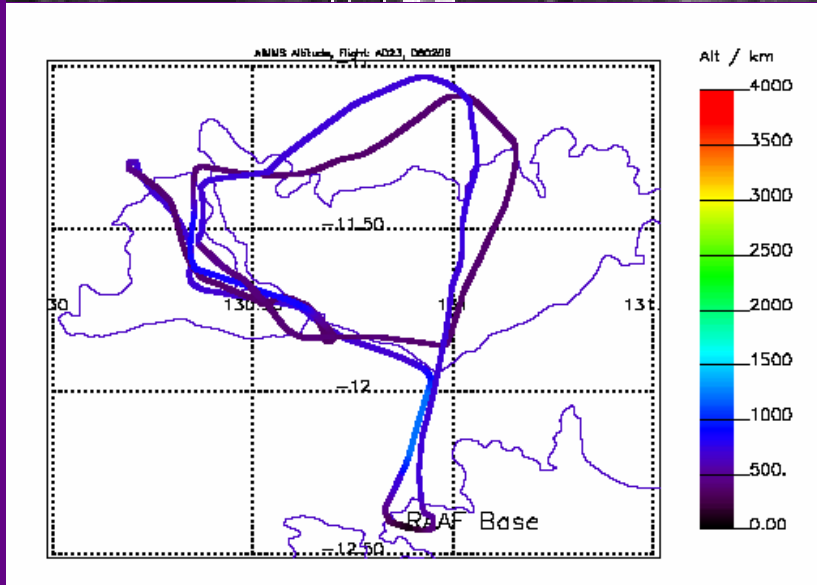
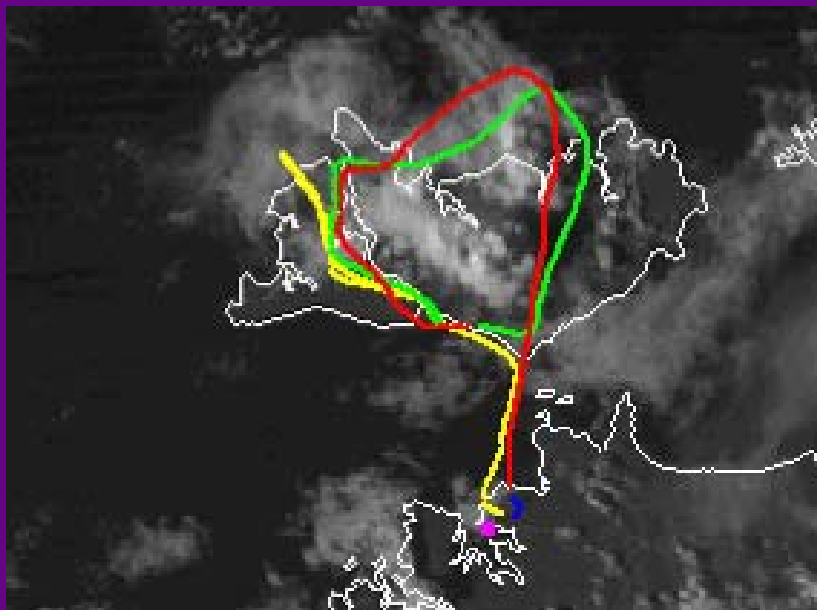


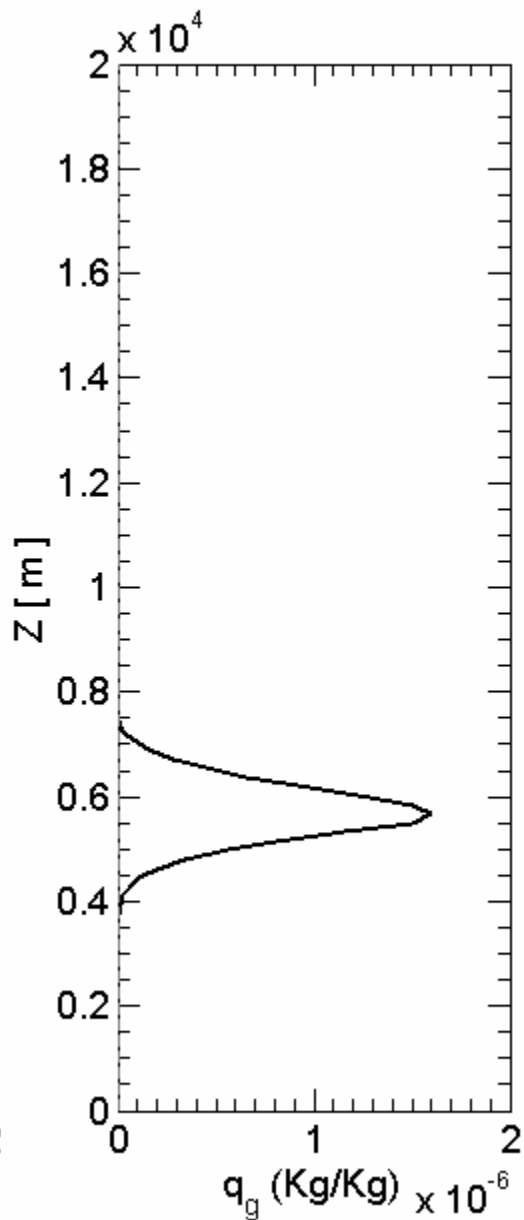
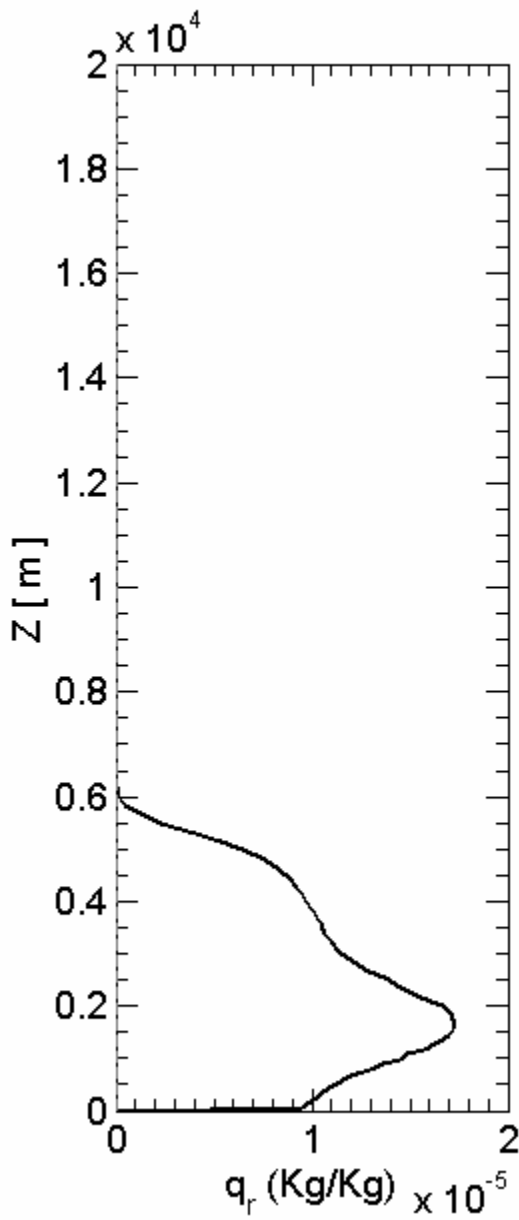
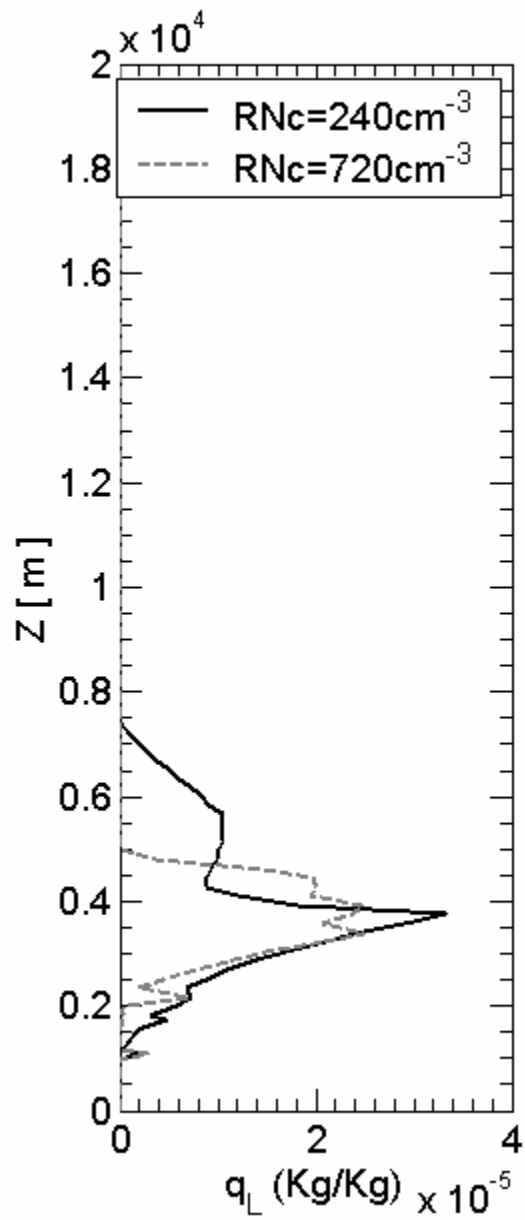
Mid-level dry layer:
A feature of tropical
easterlies
(subsidence)

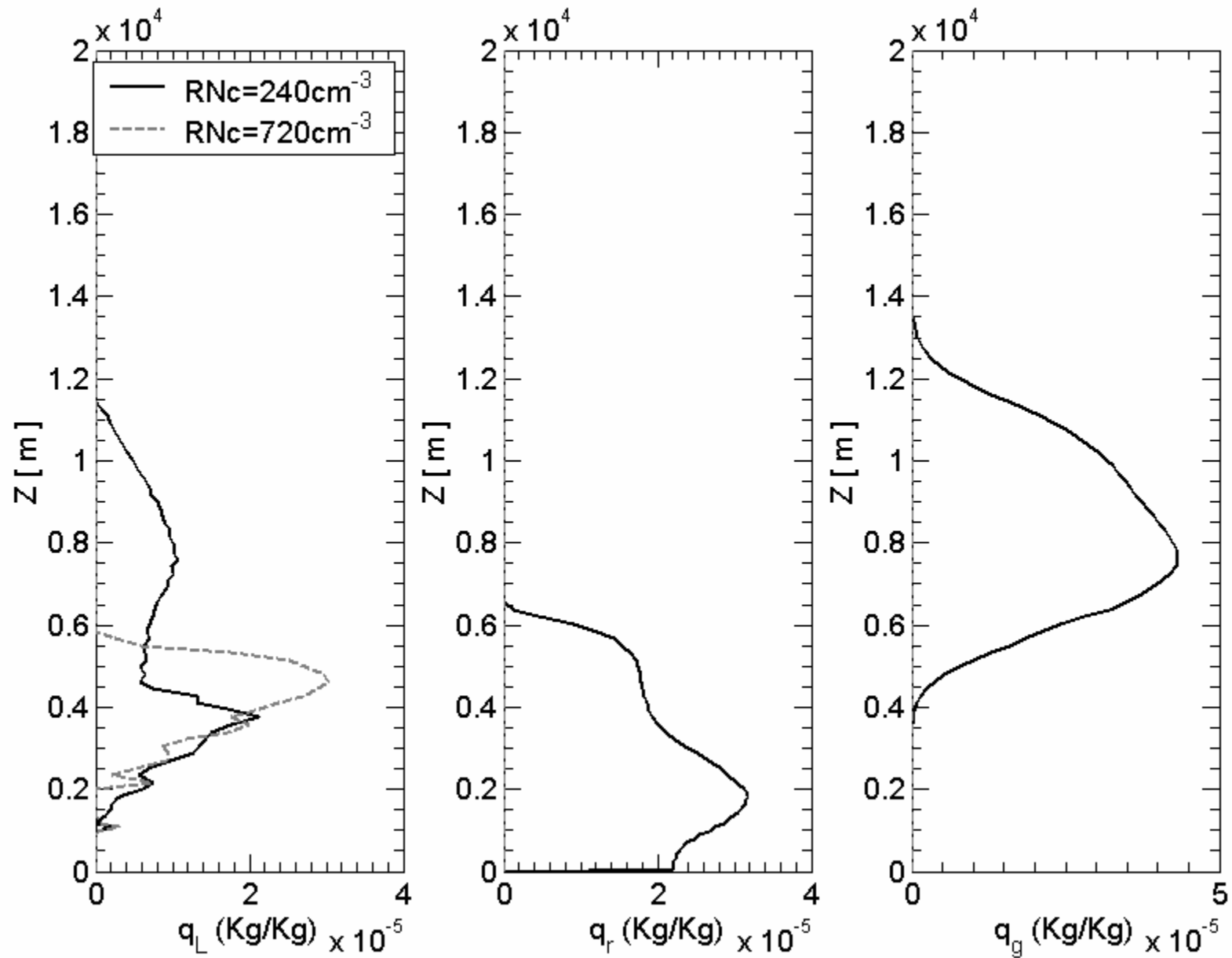
6th February 2006 Hector

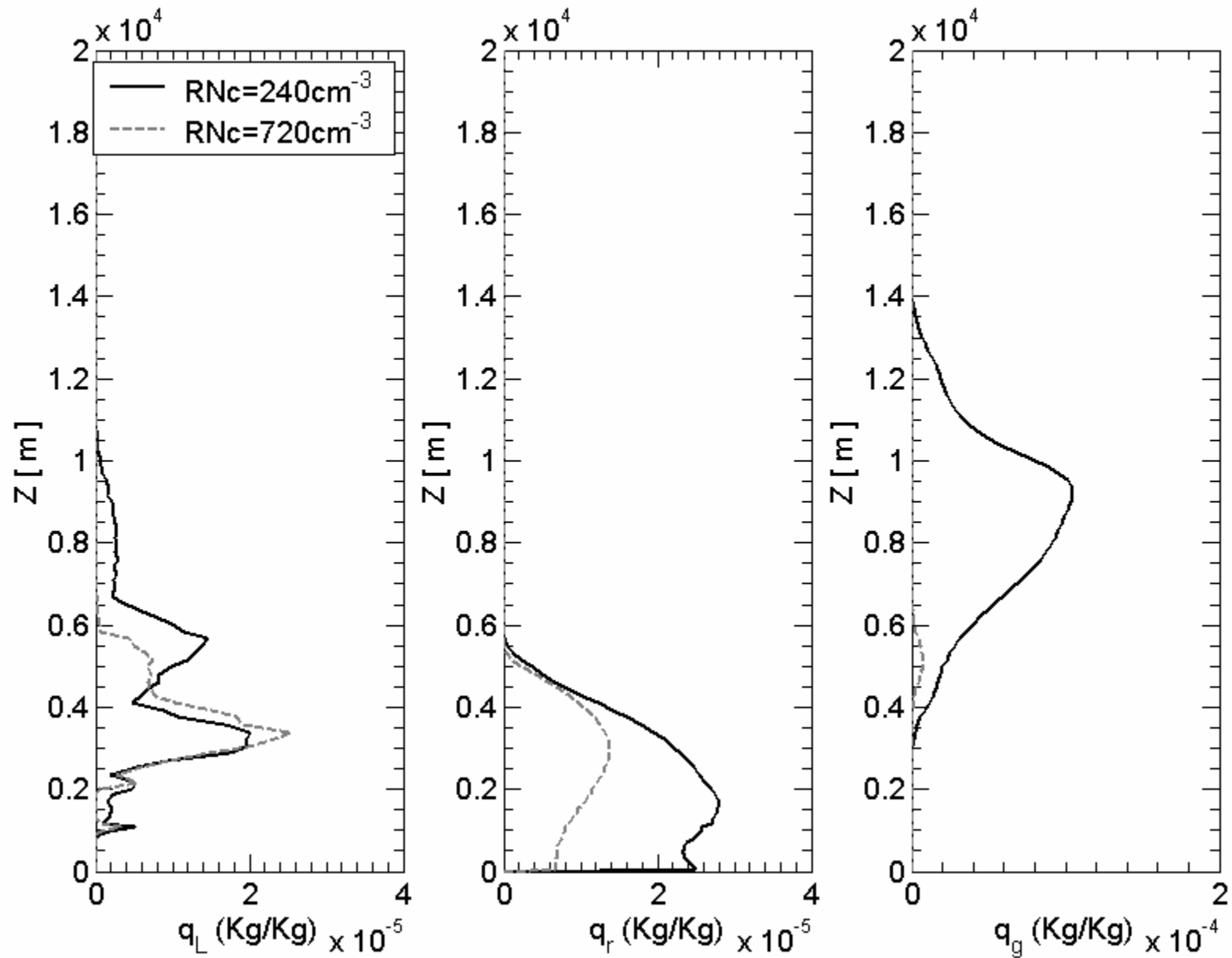
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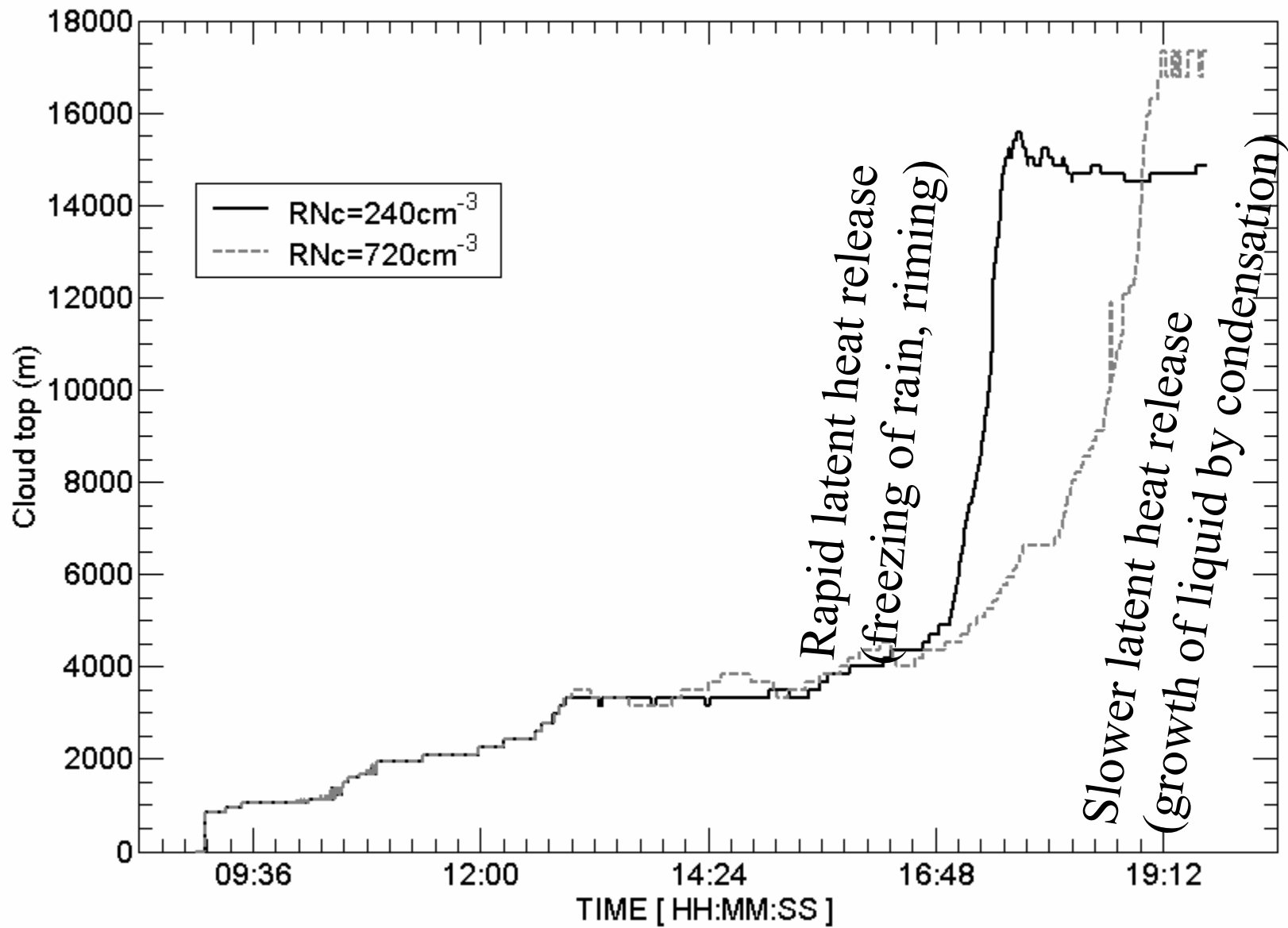


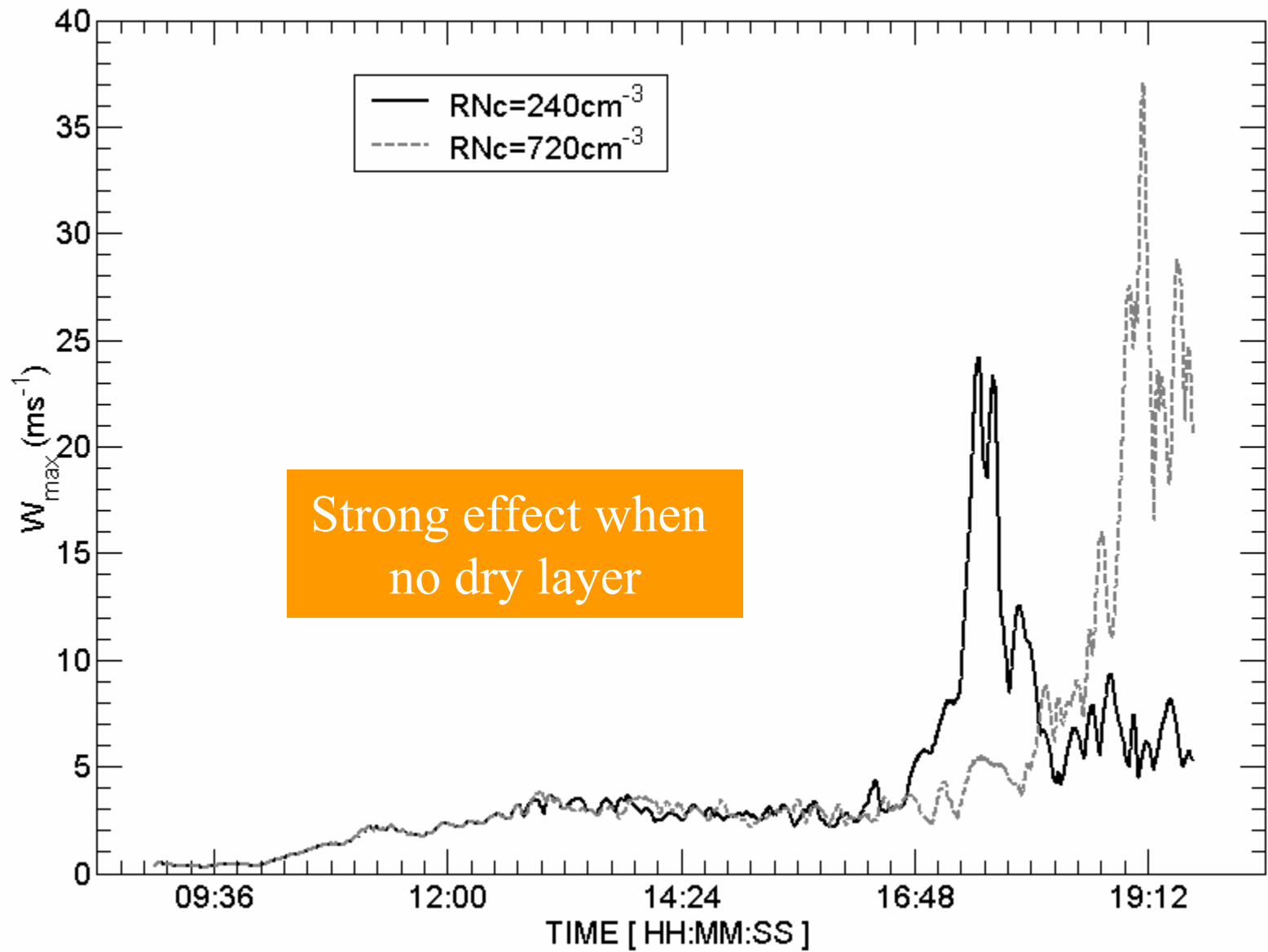


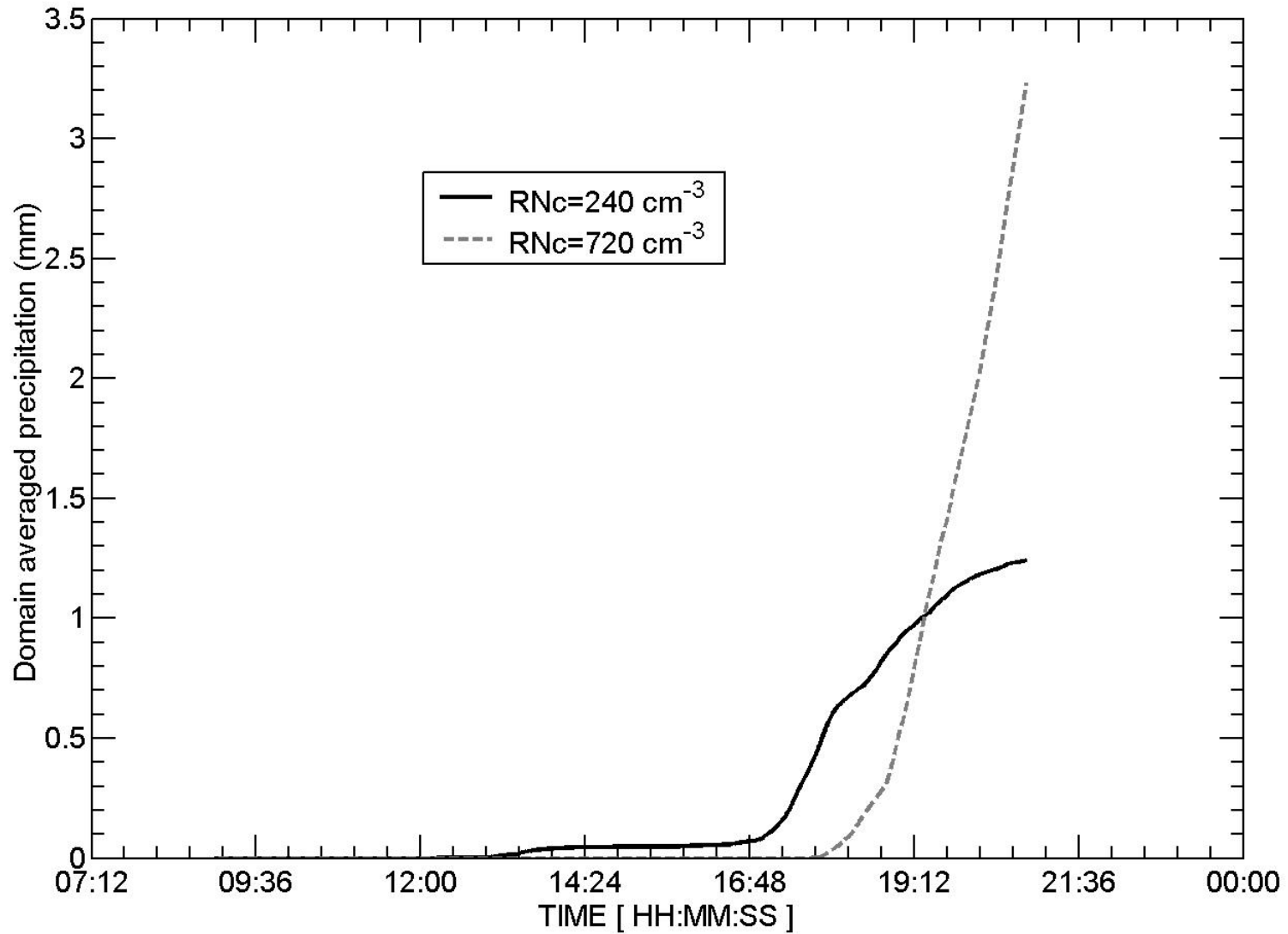


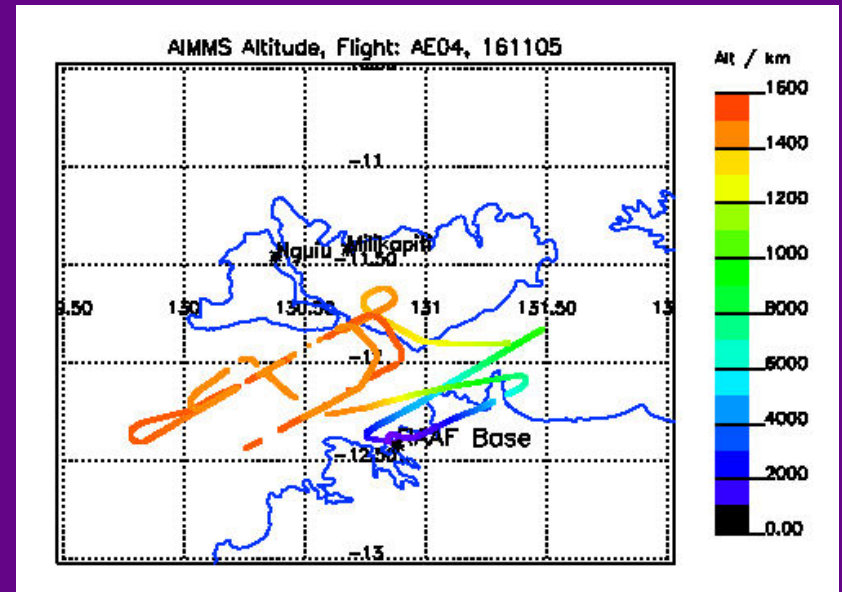
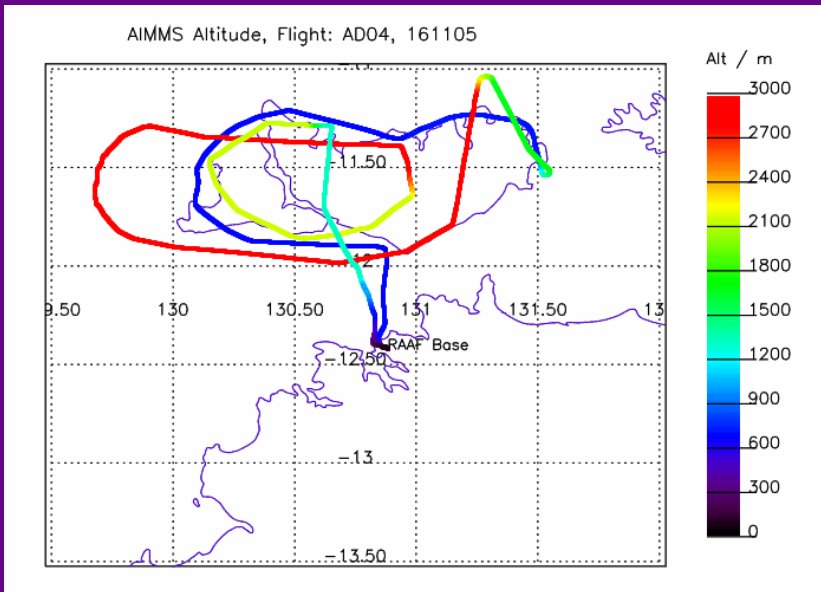
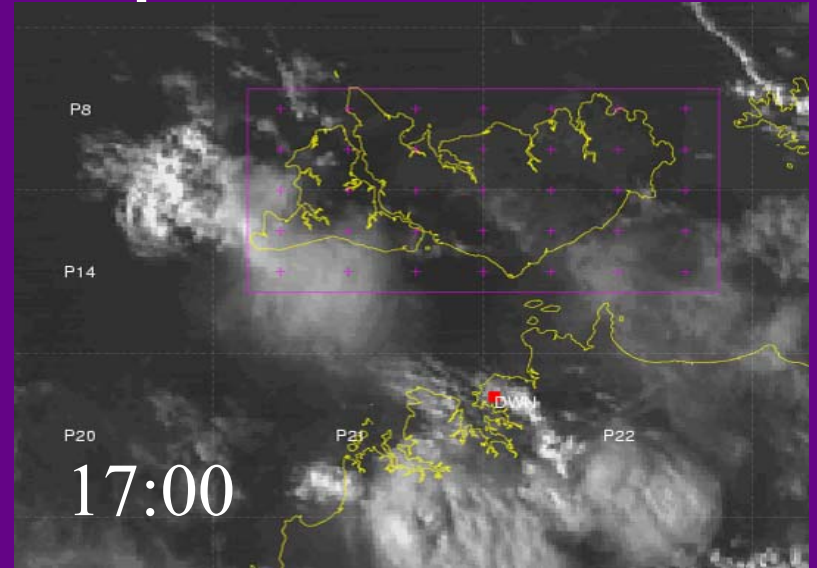
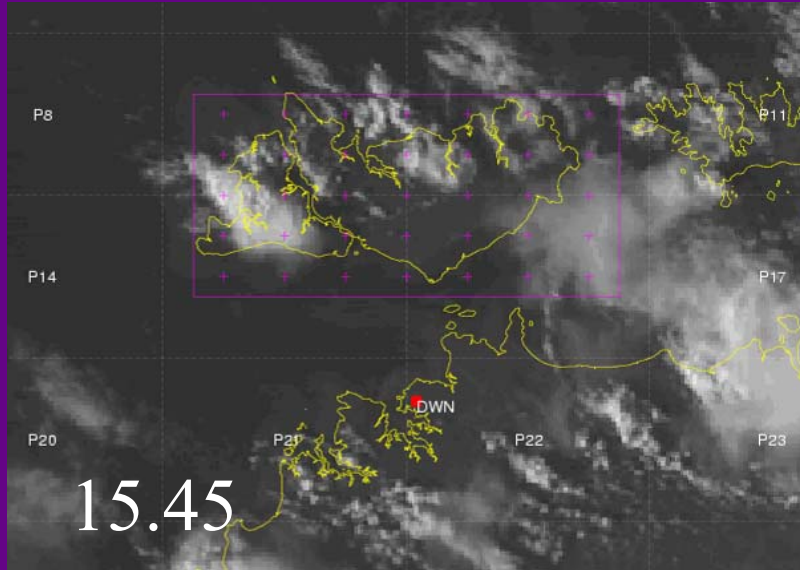


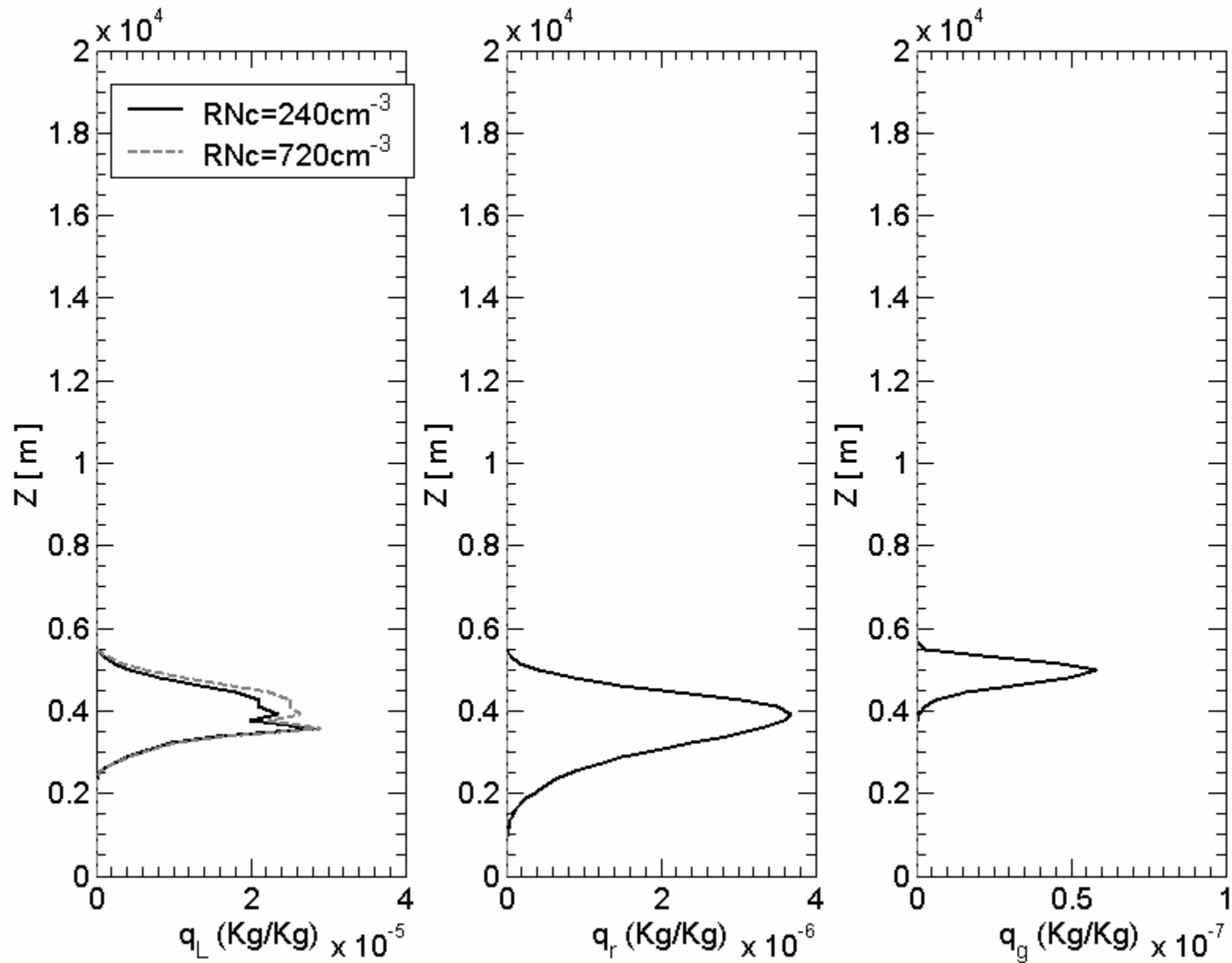


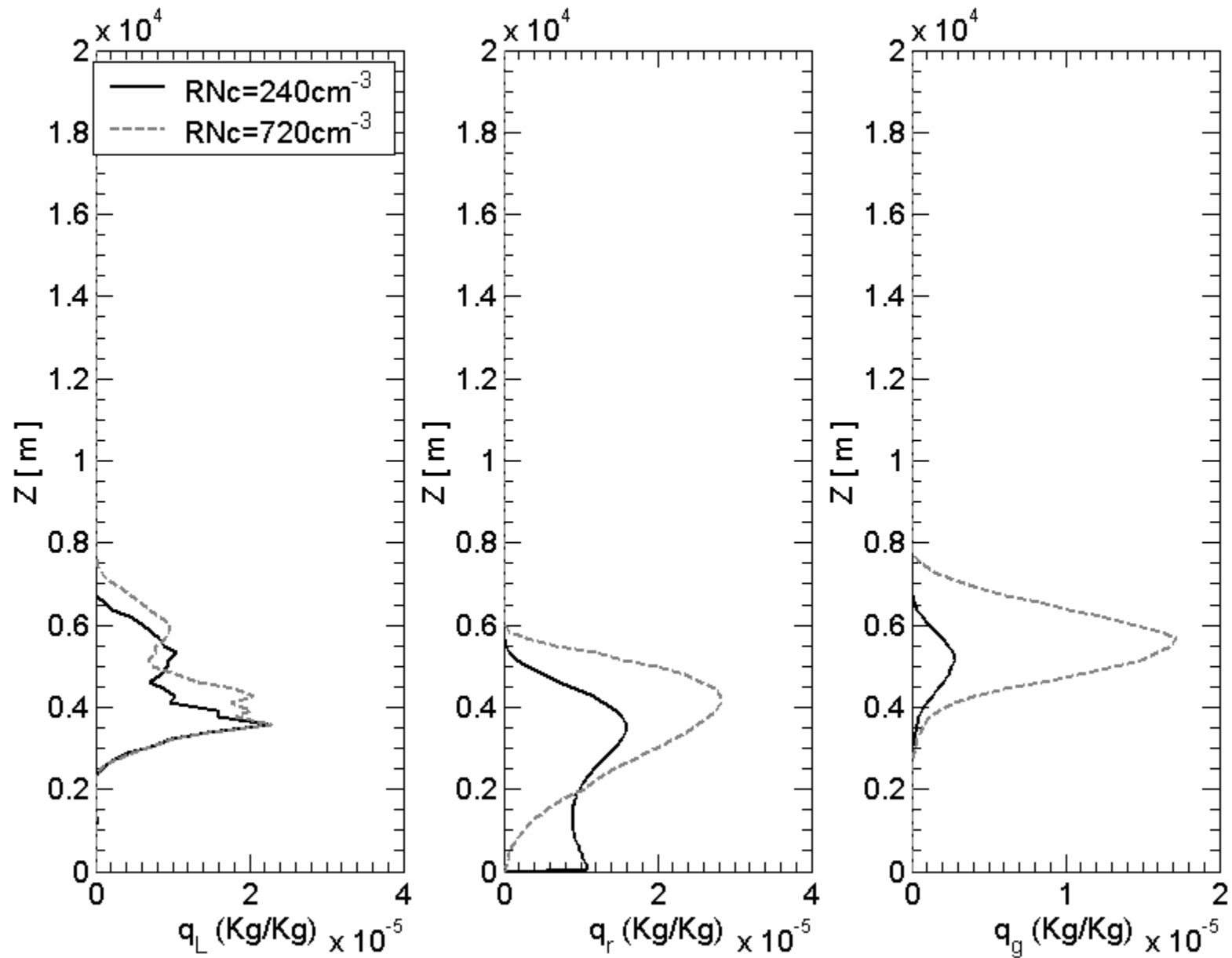


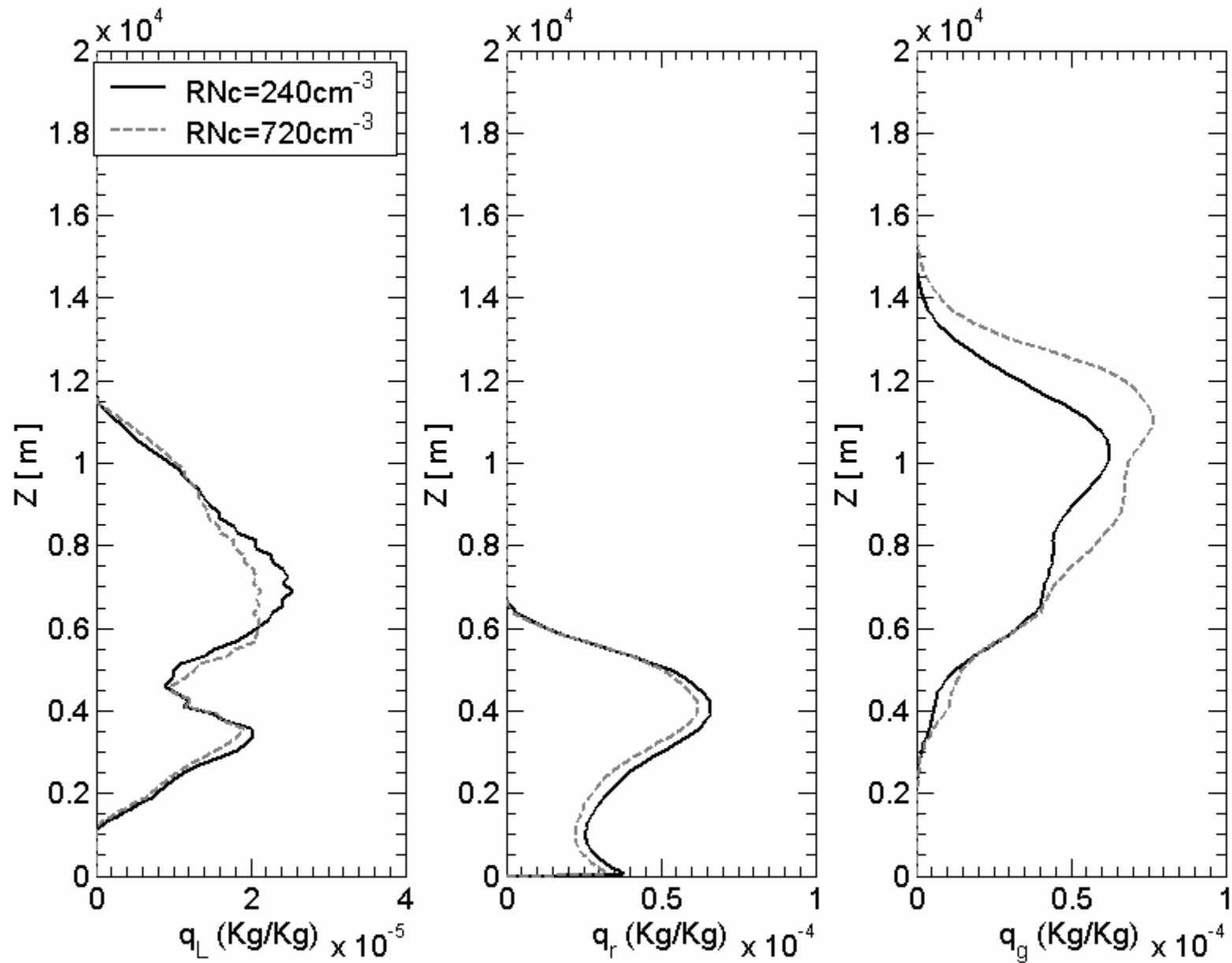


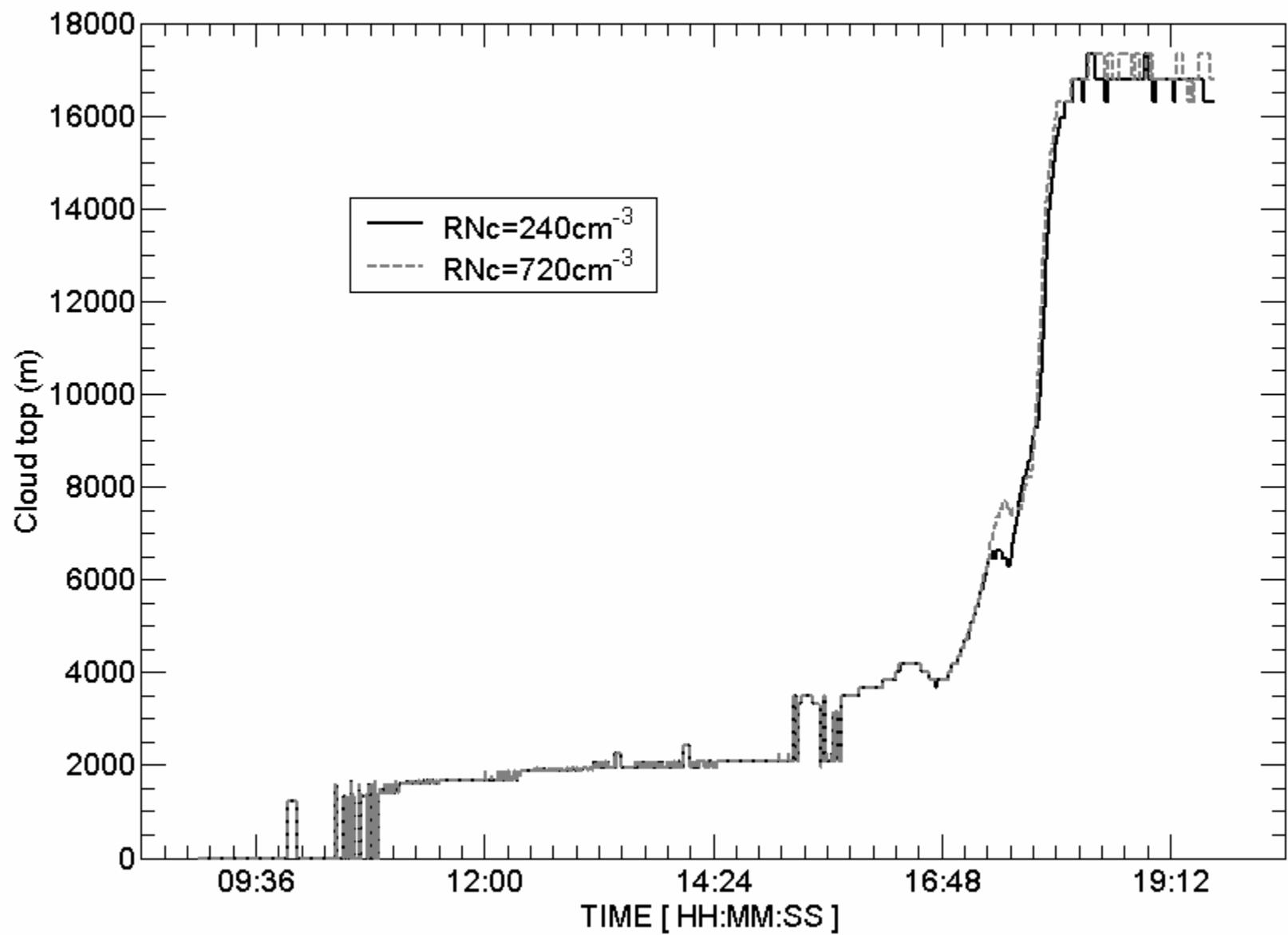


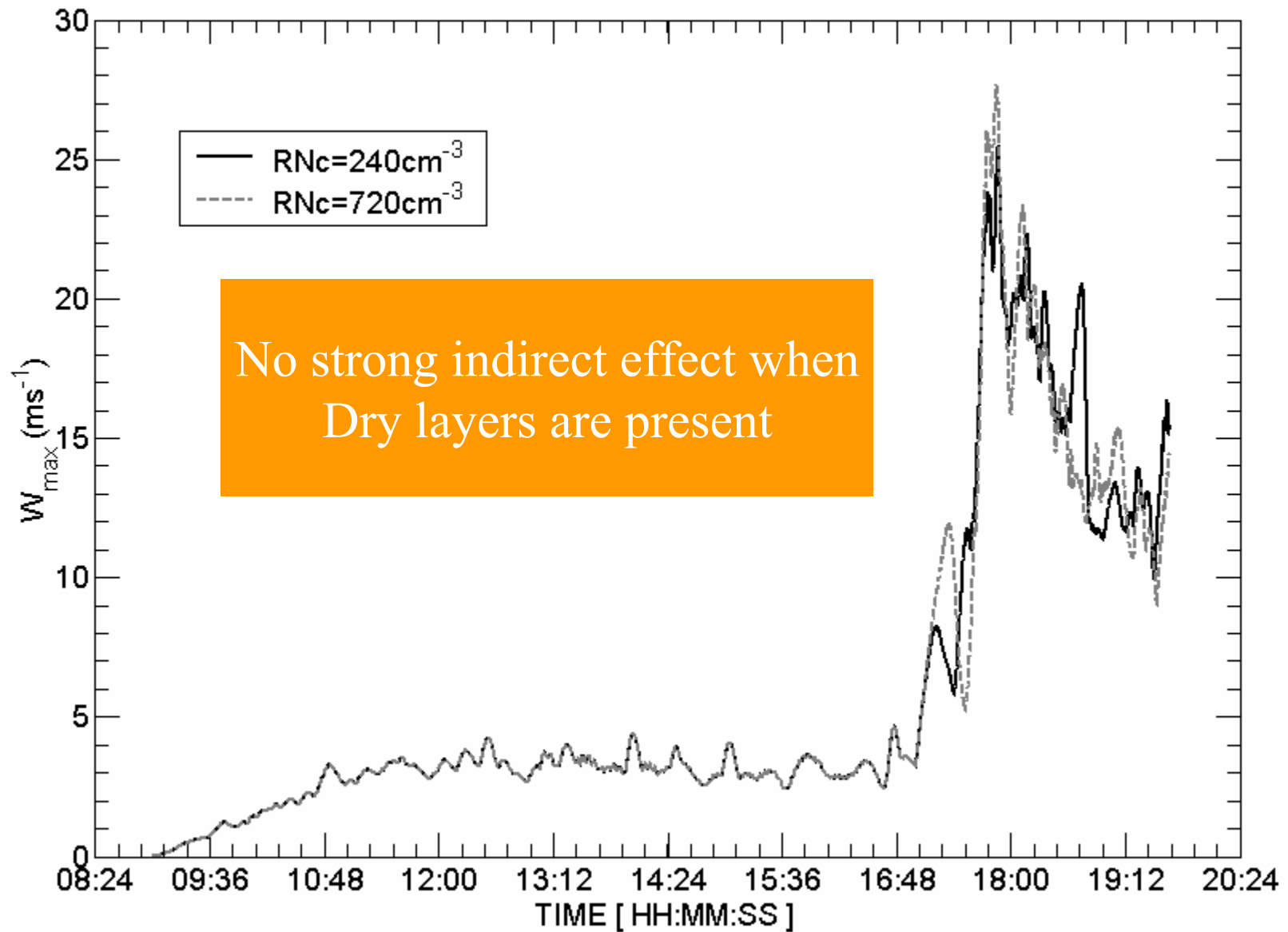




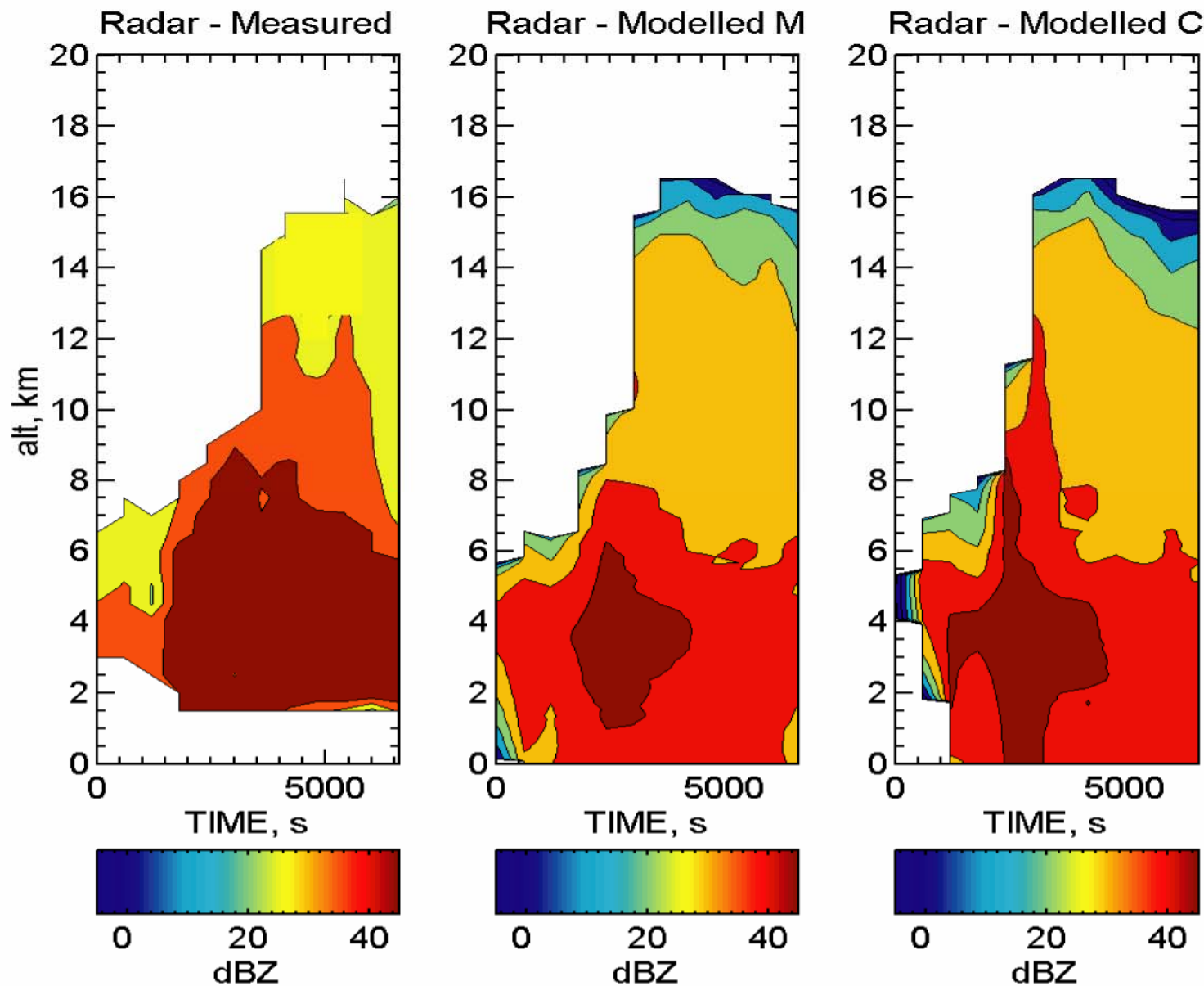




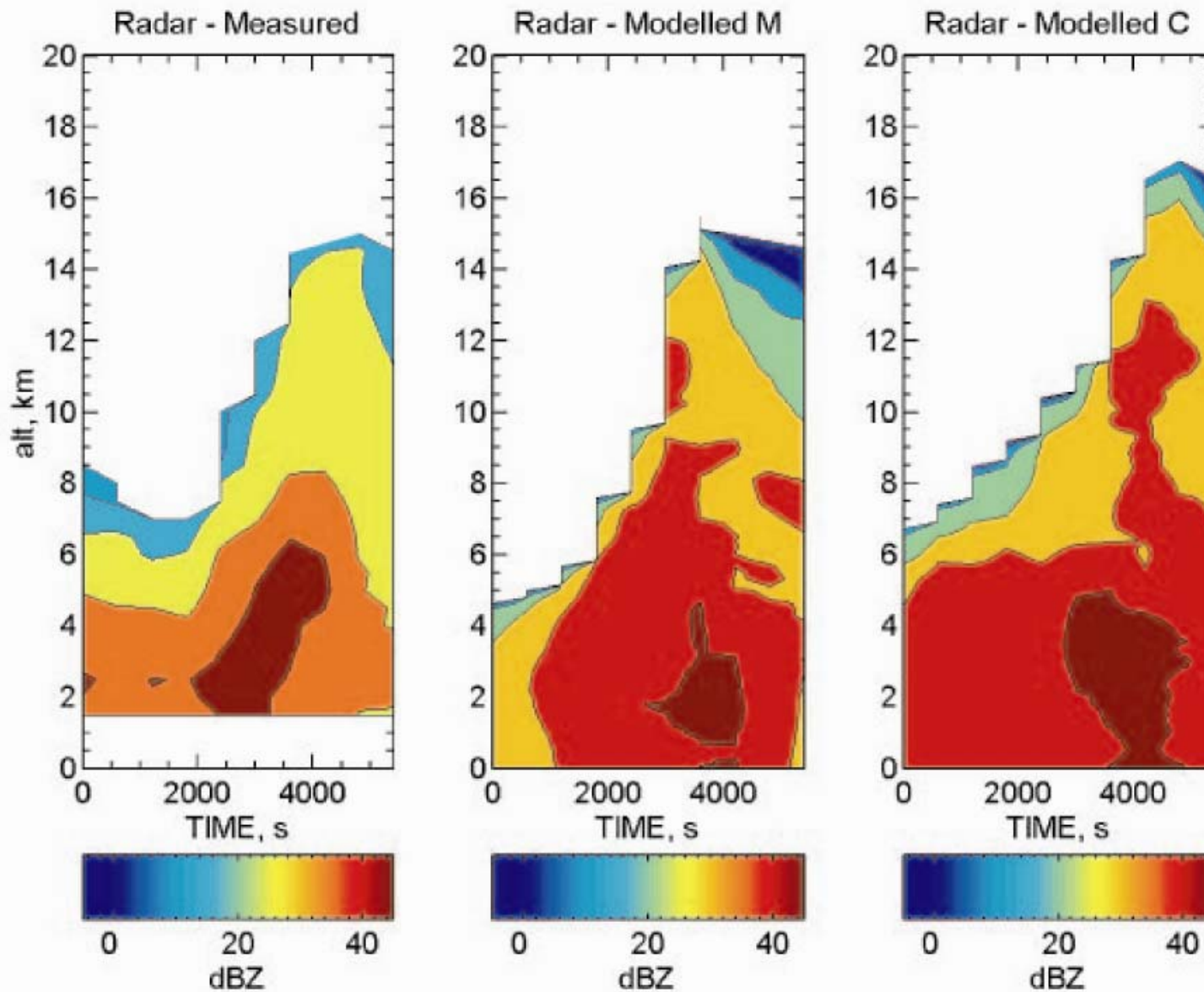




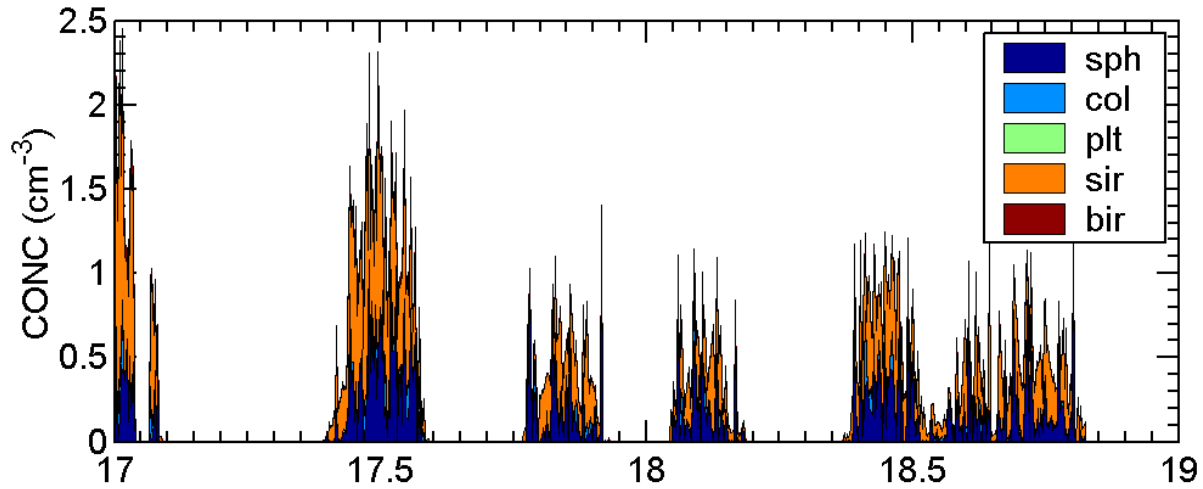
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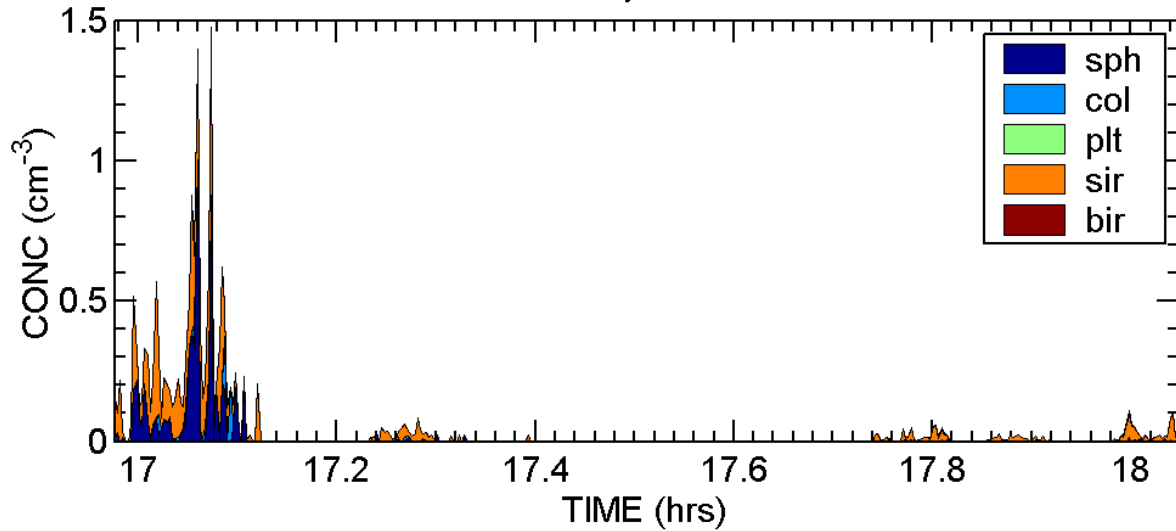
6 Feb (clean)



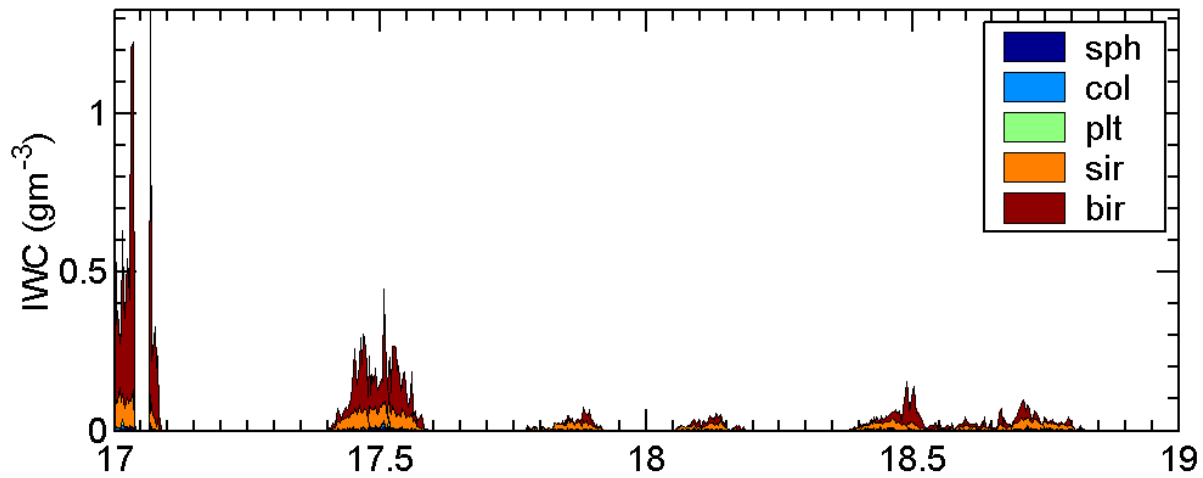
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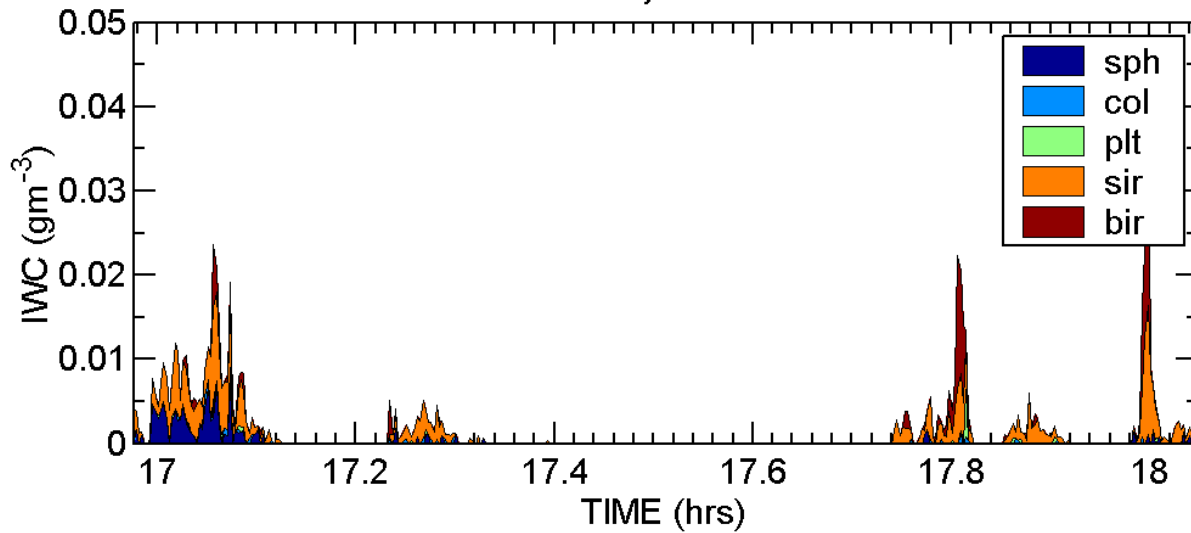
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Conclusion

- Two case studies are consistent with high aerosol concentrations pre-monsoon and low post monsoon.
- The thermodynamic indirect effect is strongly dependent on the dryness of the sounding below the melting level.
- For deep convective clouds, the presence of rain above the freezing level is vital to the indirect effects.
- It is vital to accurately predict the droplet number concentration in order to ascertain these effects.

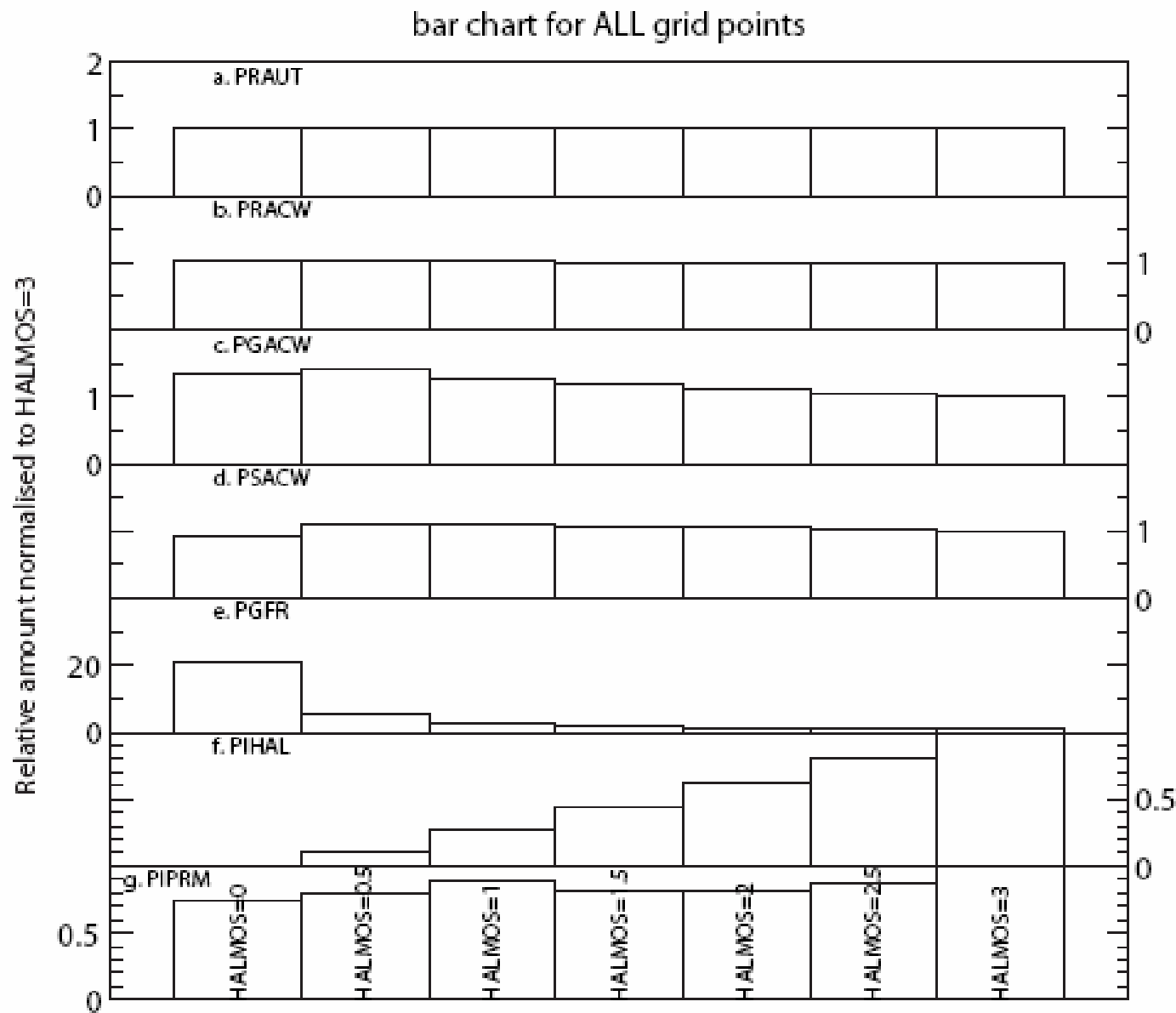


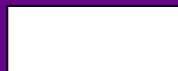
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All rates are scaled to the last run ($HALMOS = 3.0$)

Egrett payload

Basic Meteorology and position	Pressure, temperature, wind (1 Hz), GPS
DMT Single Particle Soot Photometer (SP-2) †	Aerosol particle size distribution (0.2 – 1.0 μm), light absorbing fraction (LAP), carbon mass, metal
2 x TSI-3010 Condensation Particle Counter (CPC)	Total condensation particles > 40 nm & > 80 nm
DMT Cloud, Aerosol & Precipitation Spectrometer (CAPS)	Cloud Droplet <i>psd</i> , aerosol/small particle assymetry, aerosol refractive index, large ice <i>psd</i> , ($0.3 < D_p < 3,200 \mu\text{m}$), Total Liquid Water Content
DMT Cloud Droplet Probe (CDP)	Particle Size Distribution ($2 < D_p < 60 \mu\text{m}$)
SPEC Cloud Particle Imager CPI-230	Cloud particle/ice CCD images, ($30 < D_p < 2,300 \mu\text{m}$)
Buck Research CR-2 frost point hygrometer	Temperature, dew/ice point, 20 s, $\pm 0.1^\circ$
2X Tunable diode laser Hygrometer (SpectraSensors)	Water vapour, 2 Hz, ± 0.005 ppmv precision
Julich CO analyser	High precision (± 2 ppb), fast response (10 Hz) CO
Cambridge Miniature Gas-Chromatograph	Halocarbons (Cl, Br, I), 3-6 min, $\pm 5\%$
TE-49C UV Ozone sensor	Ozone concentration (± 1 ppbv, 10 seconds)
Adsorbent tube carbon trap	C4-C9 aliphatics, acetone, monoterpenes
NO and NO ₂ chemiluminescent detector †	± 200 ppt @ 10 Hz; ± 30 ppt @ 4 s integration

† alternates



Aerosol



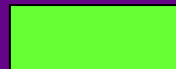
Chemistry



Met/Position



Humidity



Cloud Physics

Dornier payload

Basic meteorology	Aventech probe	ARSF/Manchester
Position/Timing	GPS	ARSF
Aerosol Mass Spectrometer	Aerosol compositionn, 30 – 2000 nm	Manchester
Condensation particle counter	Aerosol concentration > 10 nm	Manchester
Grimm Optical Particle Counter	Aerosol size distribution, 0.5 – 20 µm	Manchester
Ultra high sensitivity aerosol spectrometer	Aerosol size distribution 50 nm – 0.8 µm	Manchester
Aerosol spectrometer probe	Aerosol size dist ⁿ , 0.1 – 1 µm	Manchester
FSSP	Aerosol, size (2- 47 µm)	Manchester
Filters	Coarse aerosol composition	Manchester
Ozone	UV absorpton, 2B	York
CO	AL5003	York
VOC	Adsorbent tubes	York
NO/NO _x	Chemiluminescence/catalysis	York
Halocarbons	DIRAC gas chromatograph	Cambridge
Black Carbon	PSAP	DLR



Aerosol

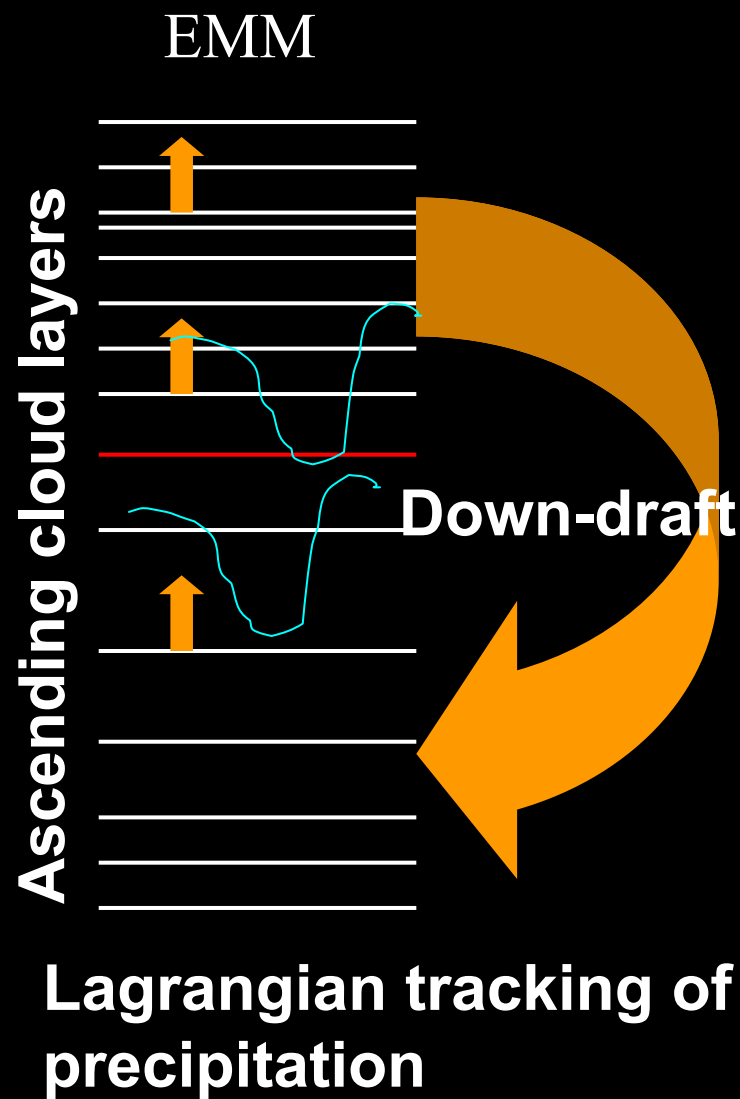


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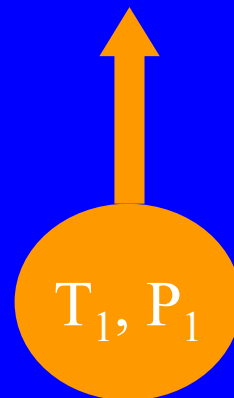
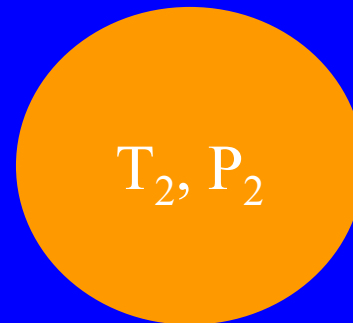


Met/Position

Modelling mixed phase clouds



Parcel model –
detailed sectional
microphysics



CRM –

- Bulk 2-moment microphysics.
- Explicit ice density.
- Broad-band radiation module.
- Eulerian grid.