

GCSS ASTEX Lagrangian Case: SAM results

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Reach for the sky.



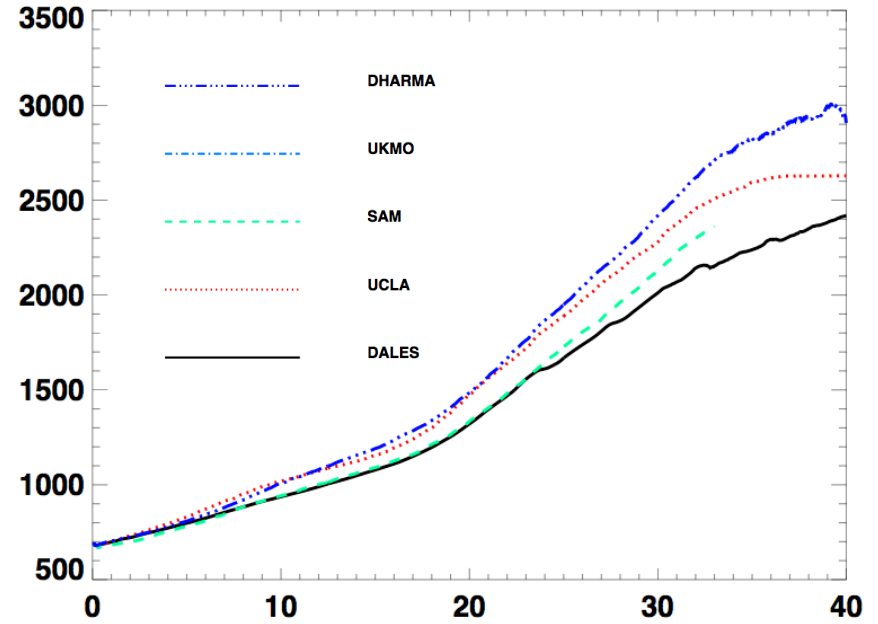
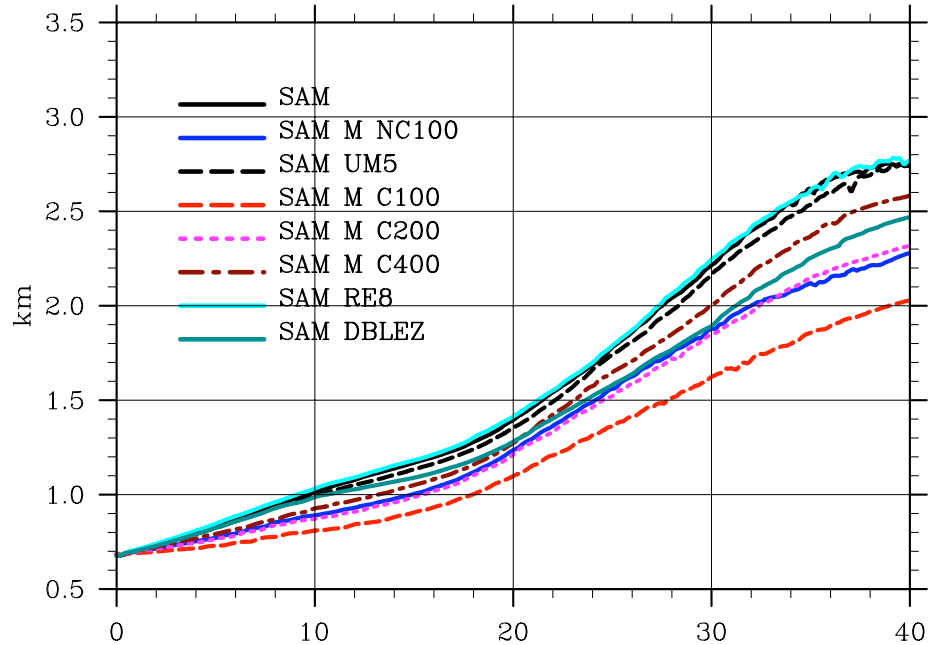
SAM Microphysics

- **SAM Default (SAM1MOM):**
 - 1-Moment Micro;
 - Kessler-autoconversion;
- **Morrison Microphysics (M2005):**
 - 2-Moment;
 - KK2000 Autoconversion;
 - CCN activation at cloud base as $f(w, \text{CCN}\#)$
 - specified or prognostic N_c ;
 - $\text{CCN}\# = CS^k$
- **DRIZZLE Microphysics (Used by Peter Blossey):**
 - 2-Moment;
 - KK2000 Autoconversion;
 - N_c is specified (100 cm^{-3})

Experiments

- Control: SAM1MOM ($r_{\text{eff}}=14$ mkm)
- SAM1MOM + $r_{\text{eff}}=8$ mkm
- SAM1MOM + double resolution in the vertical (below 2.5 km);
- SAM1MOM + 5th-order FCT for all scalars;
- M2005 (r_{eff} computed):
 - $N_c=100$ cm⁻³
 - CCN#=100 cm⁻³
 - CCN#=200 cm⁻³
 - CCN#=400 cm⁻³
- dx=35 m; dz=5m below 2.5 km;
- domain top at 27 km;
- surface albedo depends on zenith angle.

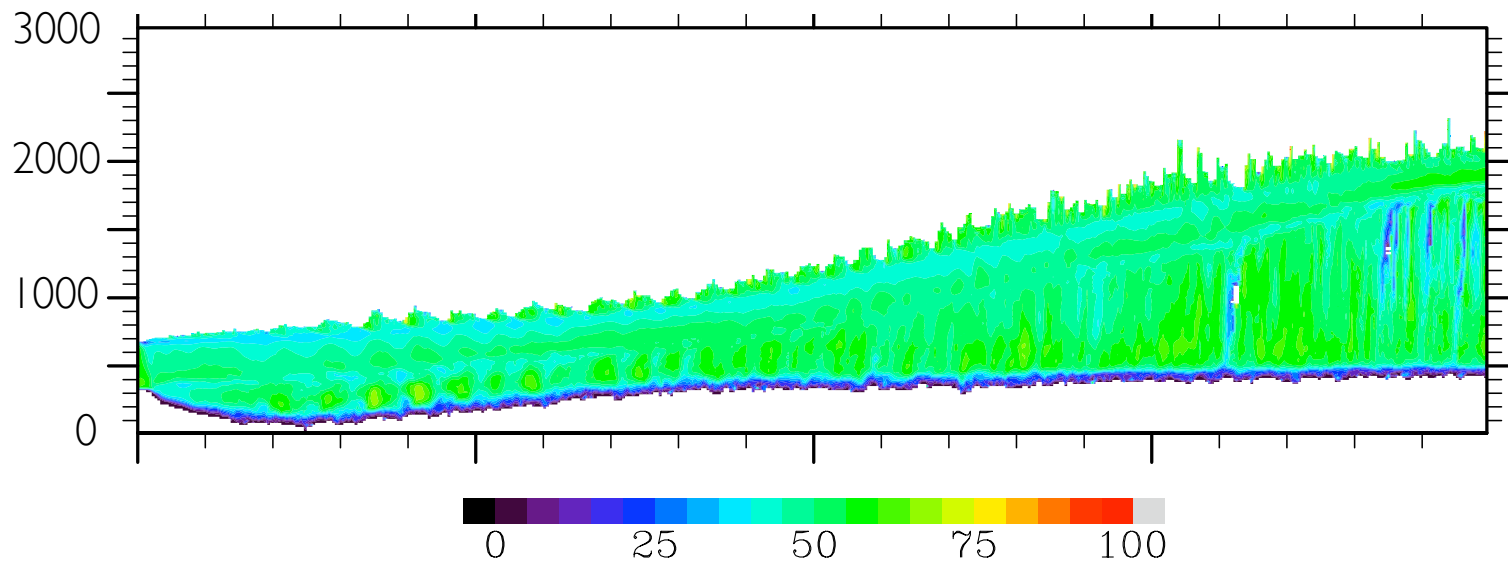
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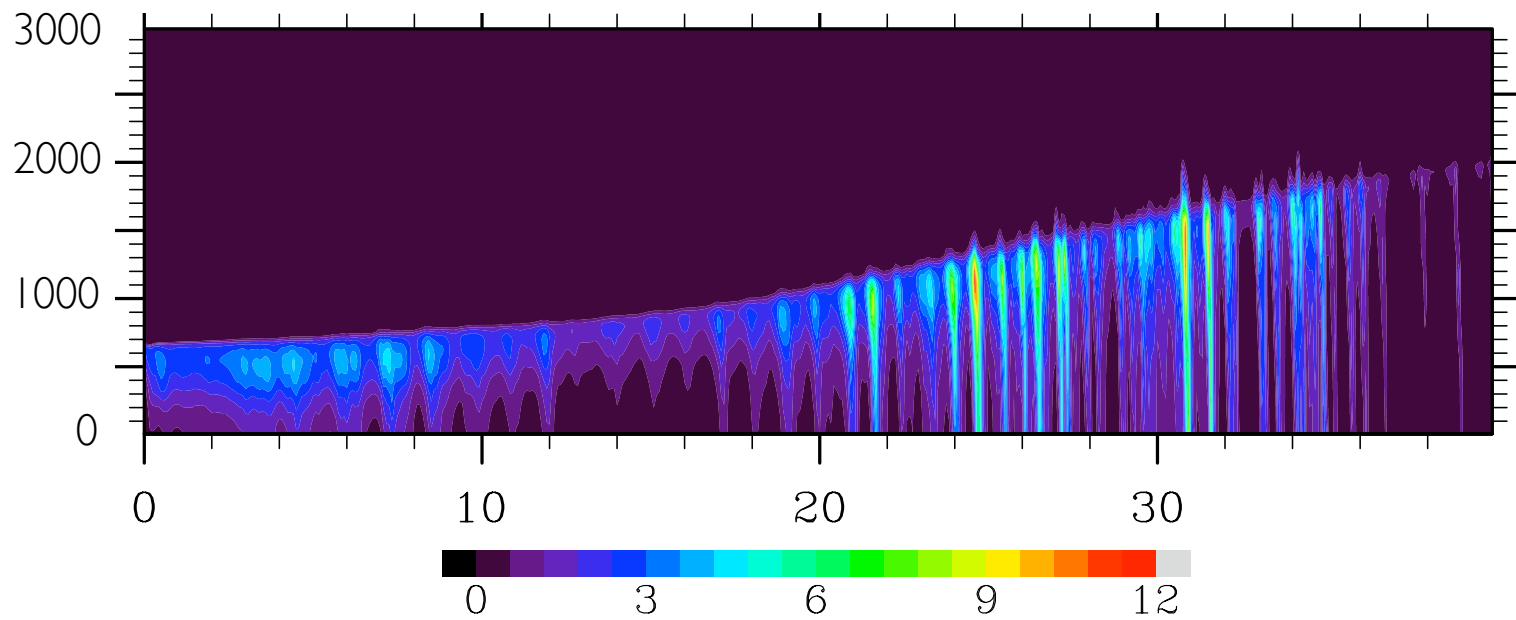
- No sensitivity to scalar advection scheme;
- No sensitivity to r_{eff}
- $N_c = 100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ is similar to $\text{CCN} = 100$
- The higher vert. resolution, the slower the transition;
- The lower CCN# (higher drizzle rate), the slower the transition;

SAM M C100

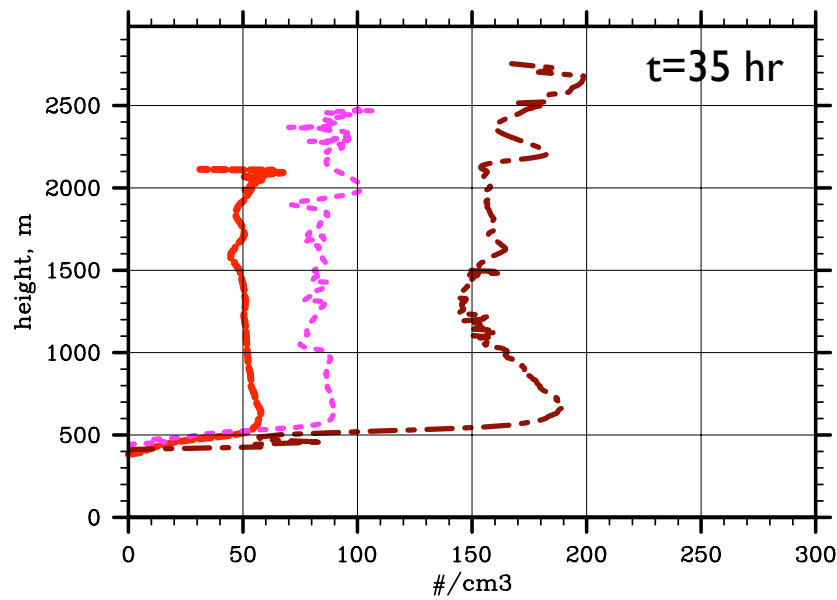
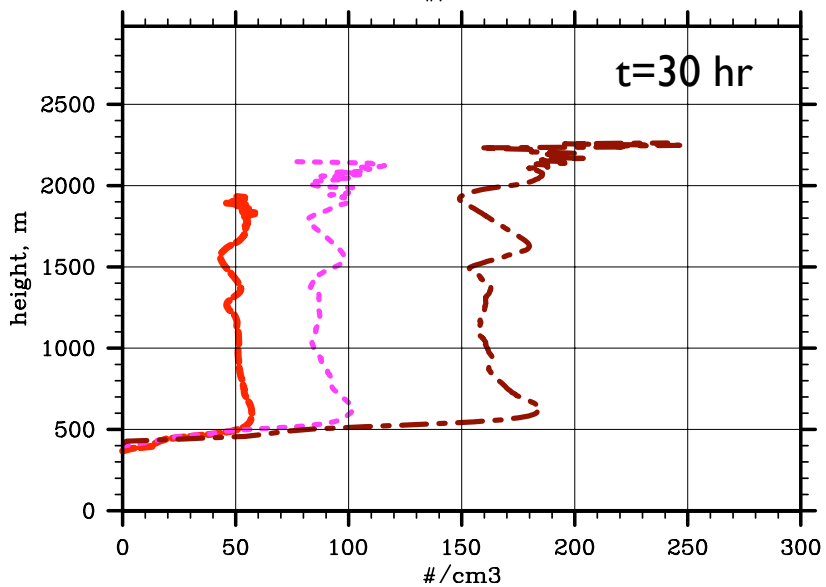
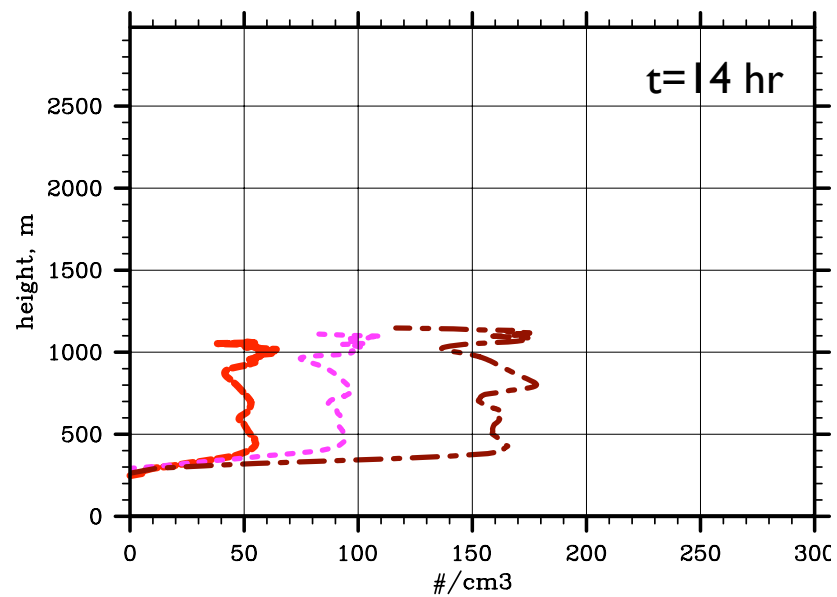
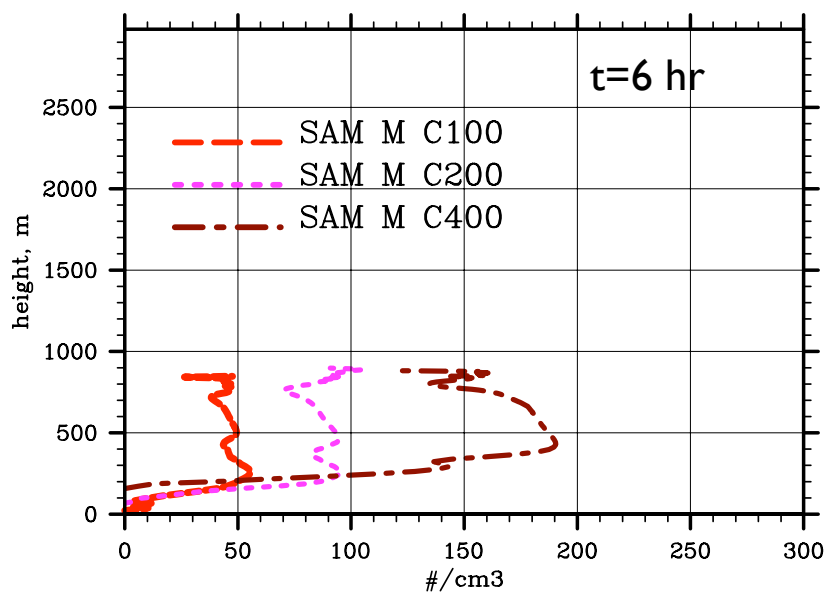
In-Cloud Droplet Concentration (#/cm³)



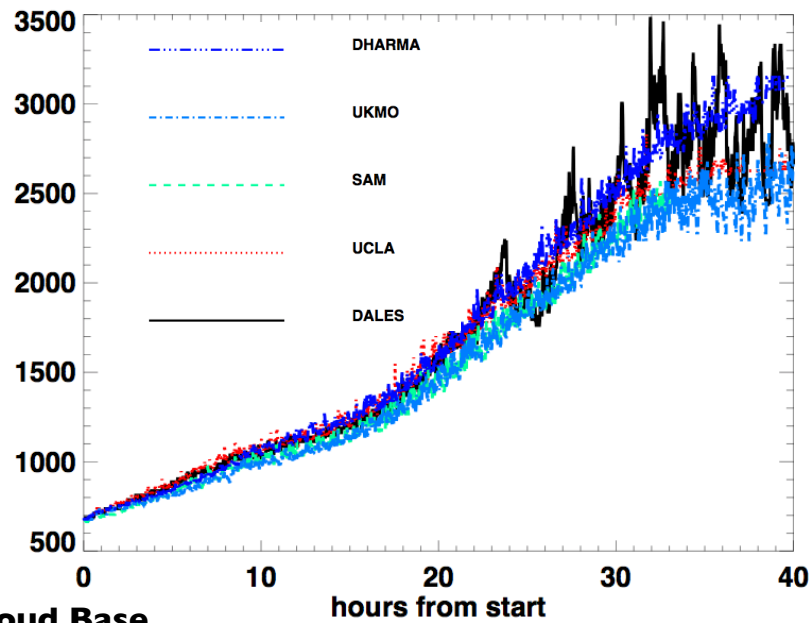
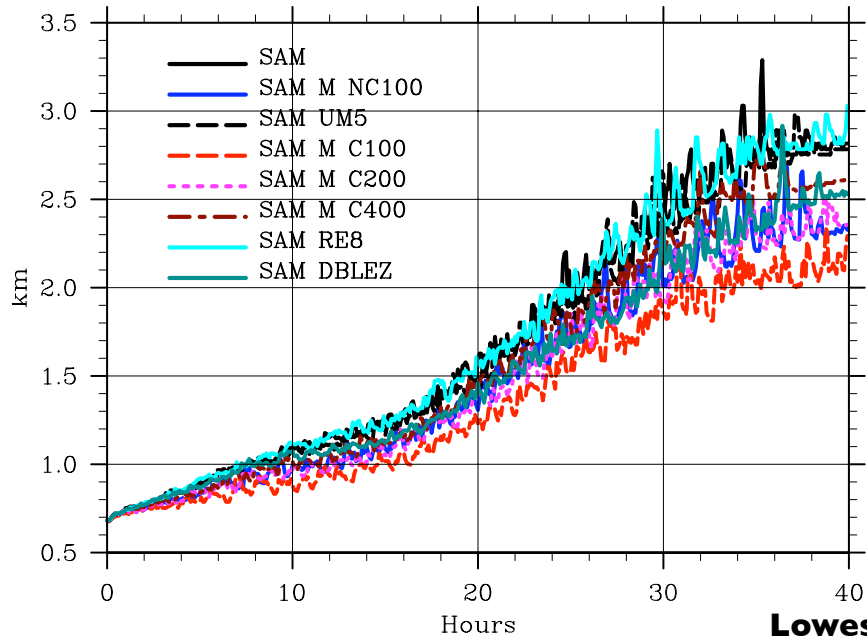
Precipitation Rate (mm/day)



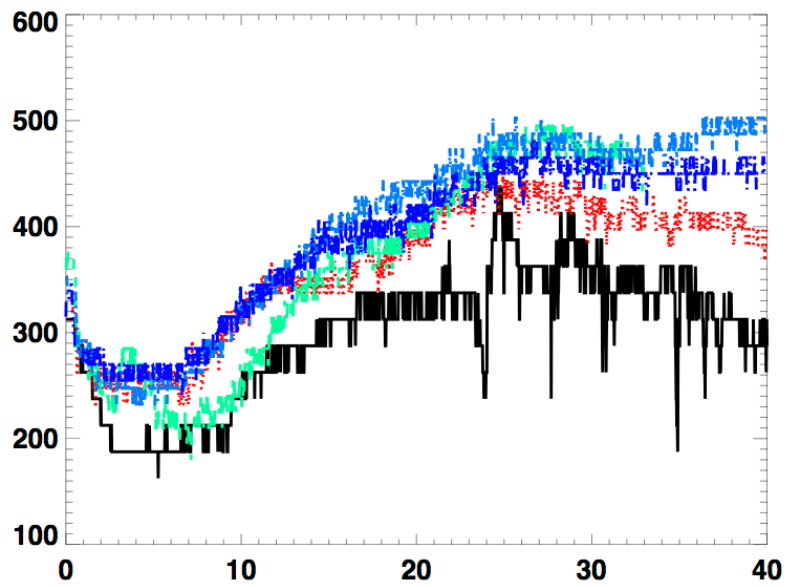
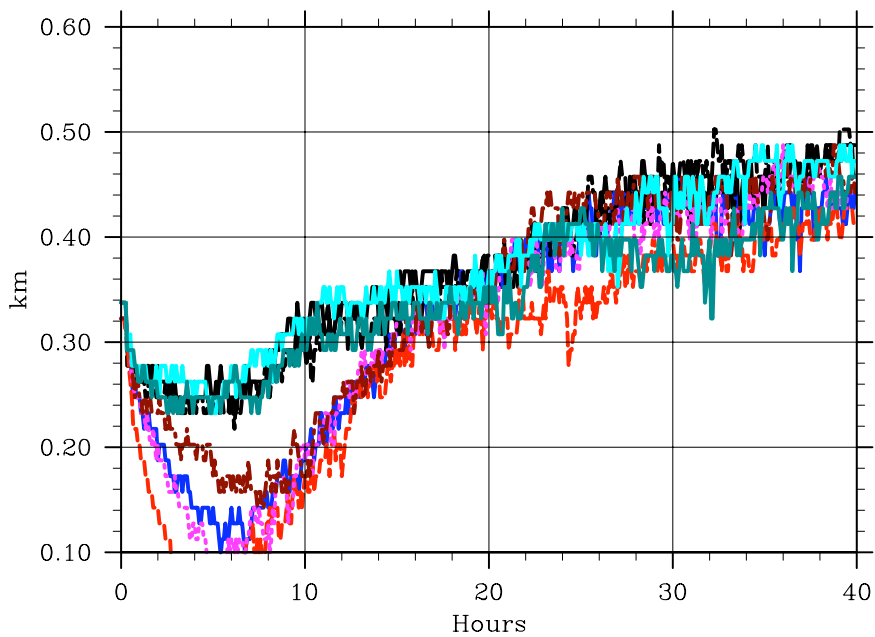
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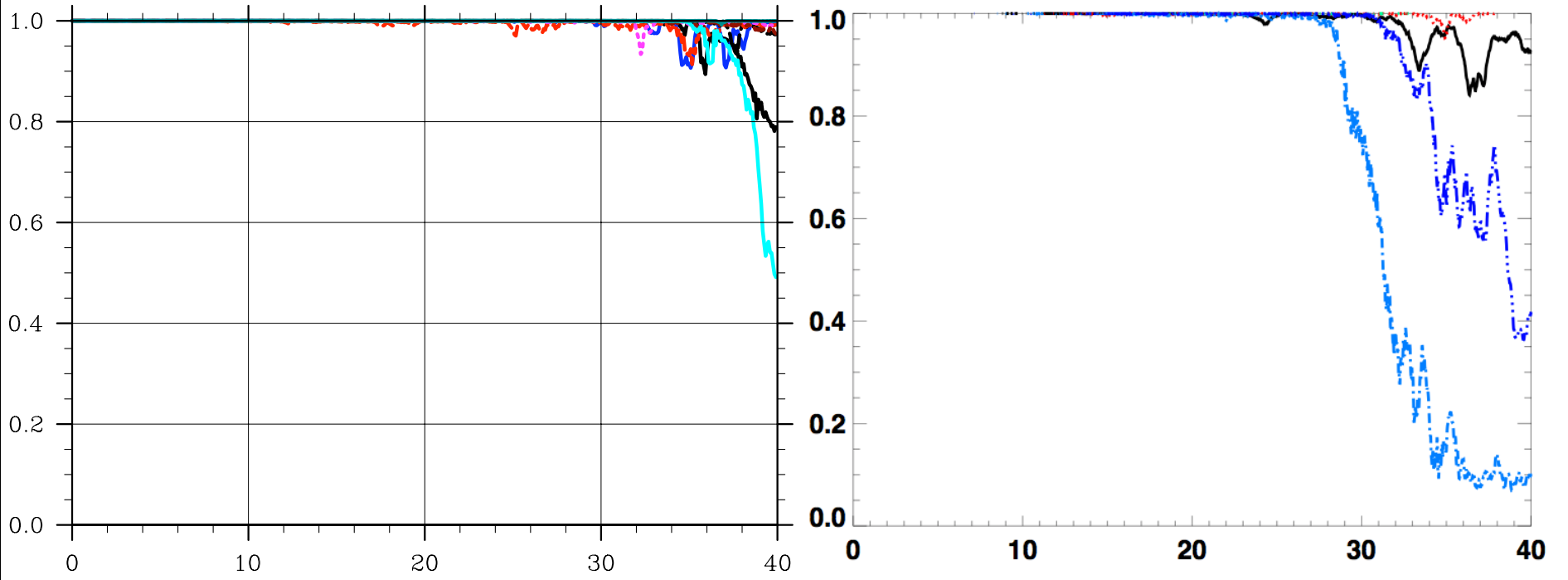
Highest Cloud Top



Lowest Cloud Base



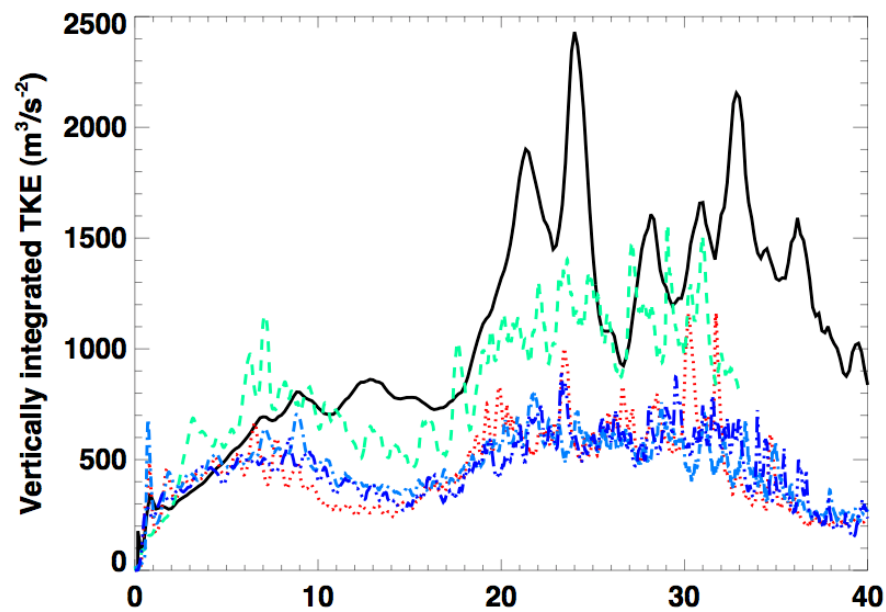
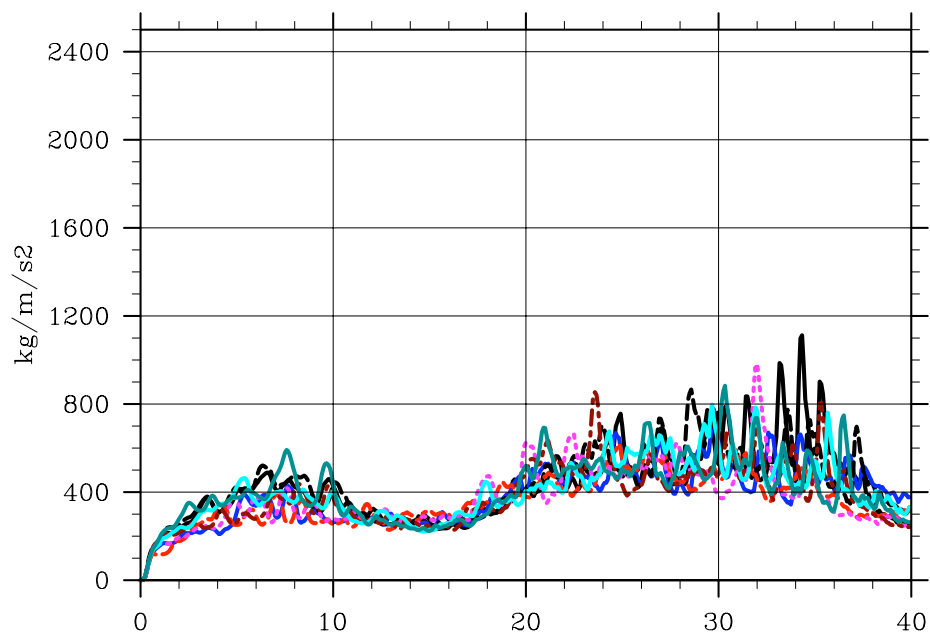
Cloud Cover



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- SAM UM5
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- SAM M C200
- SAM M C400
- SAM RE8
- SAM DBLEZ

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- UKMO
- SAM
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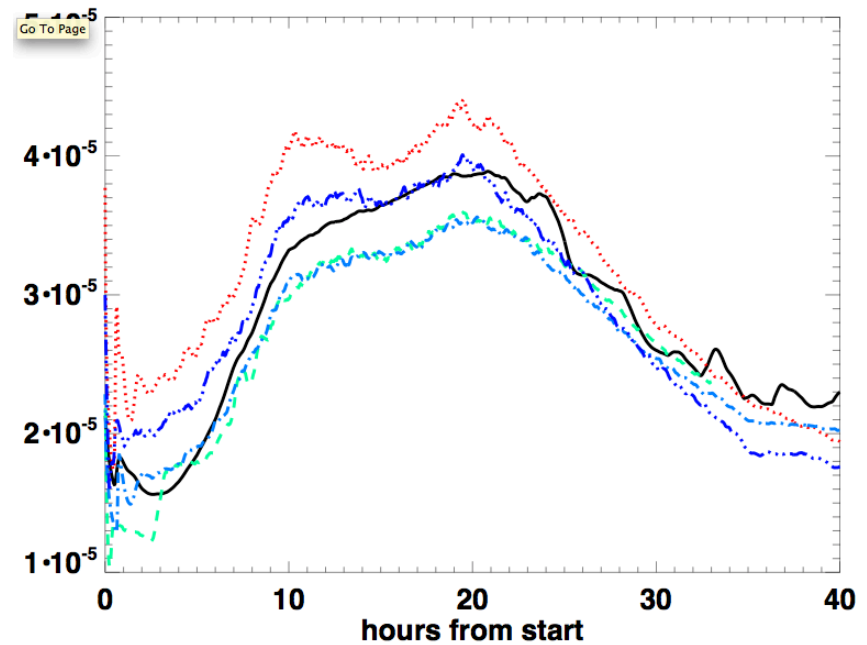
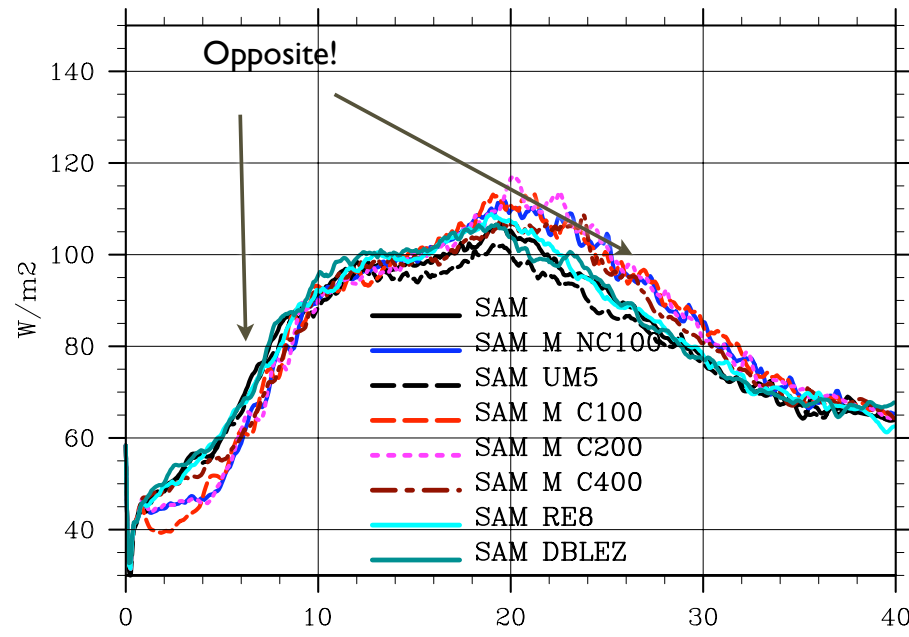
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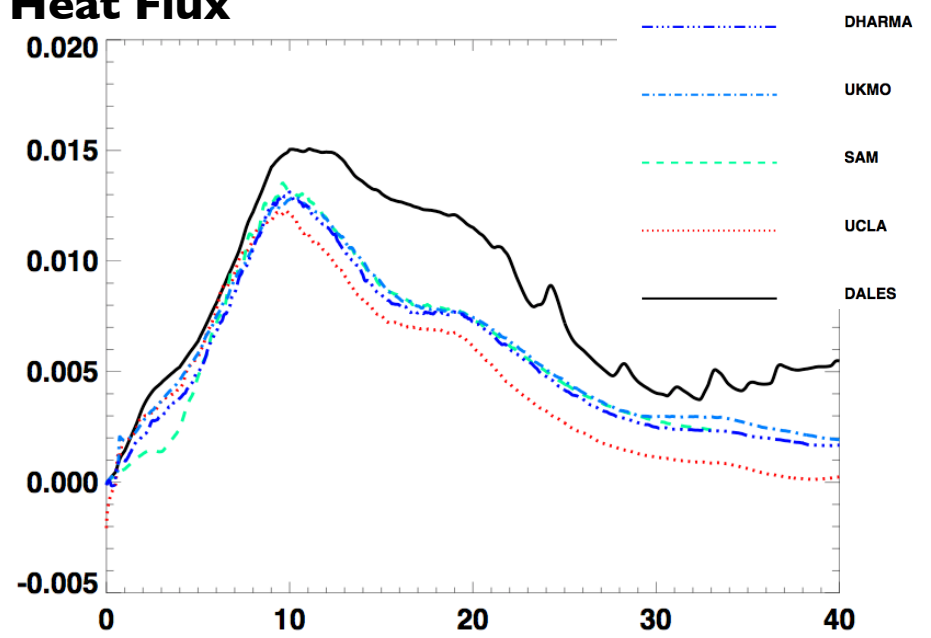
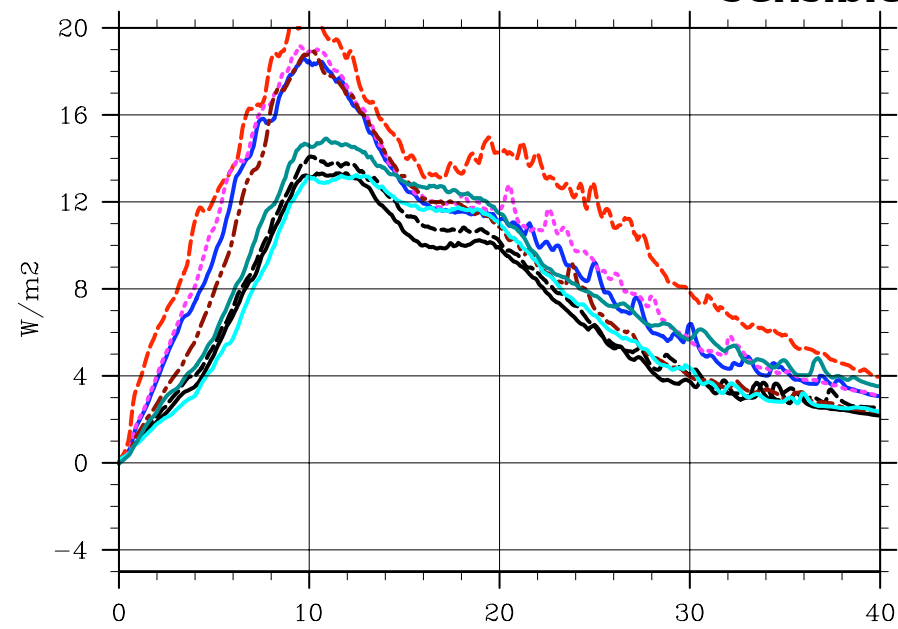
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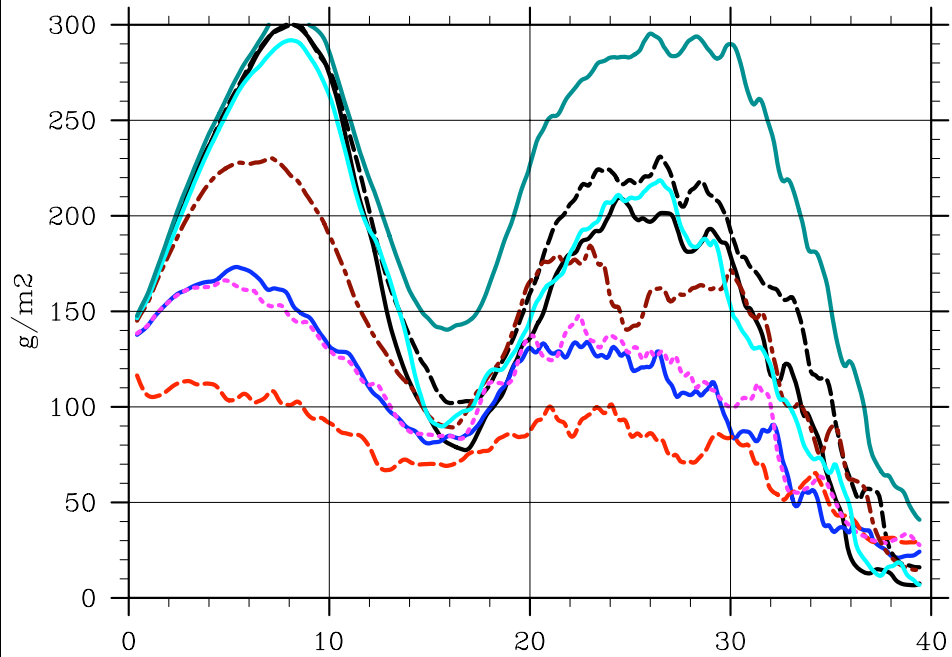
Latent Heat Flux



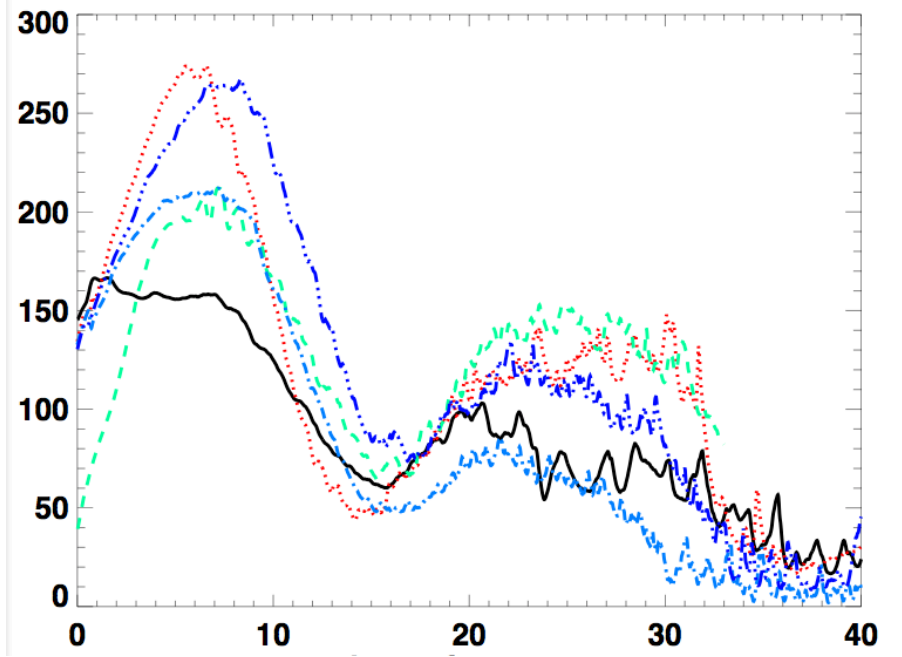
Sensible Heat Flux



Liquid Water Path

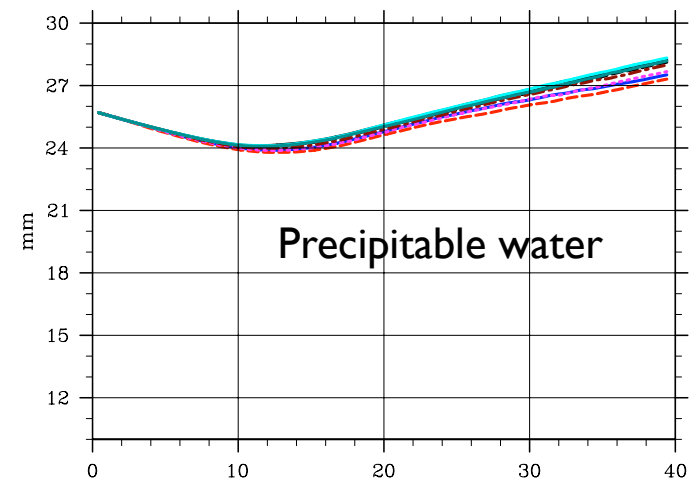
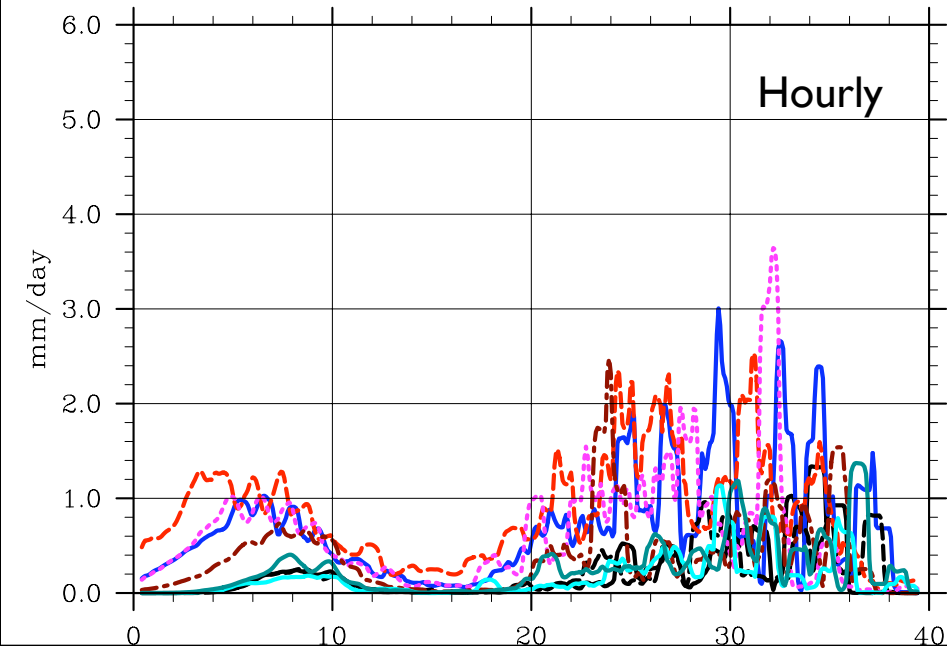
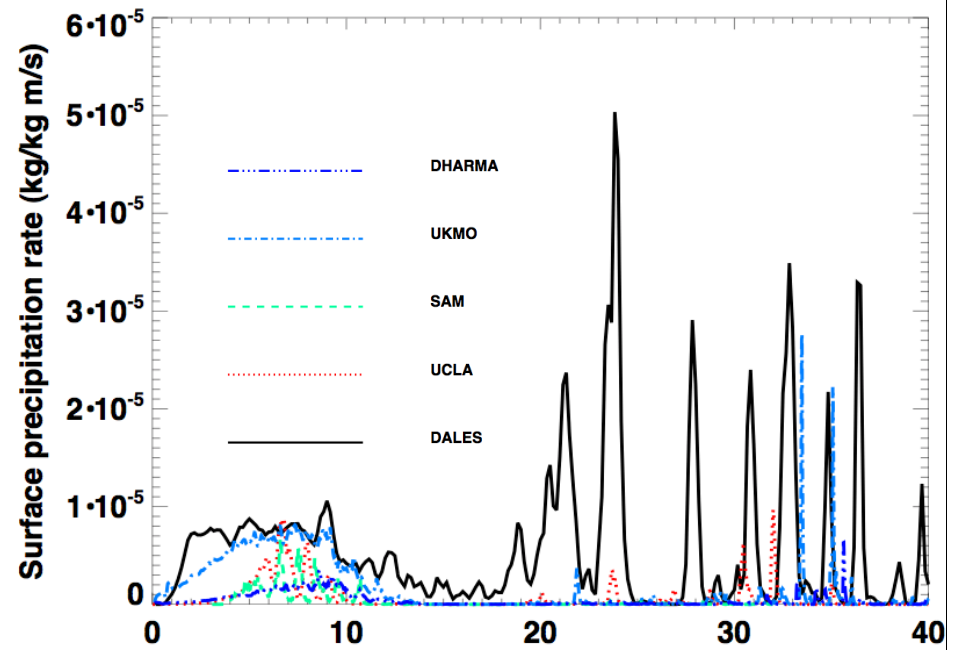
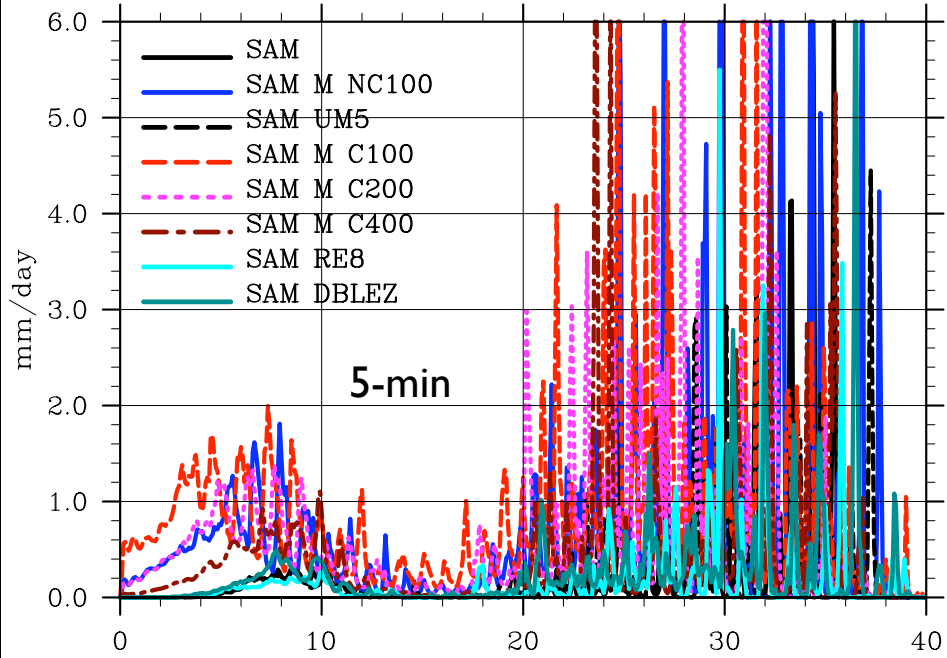


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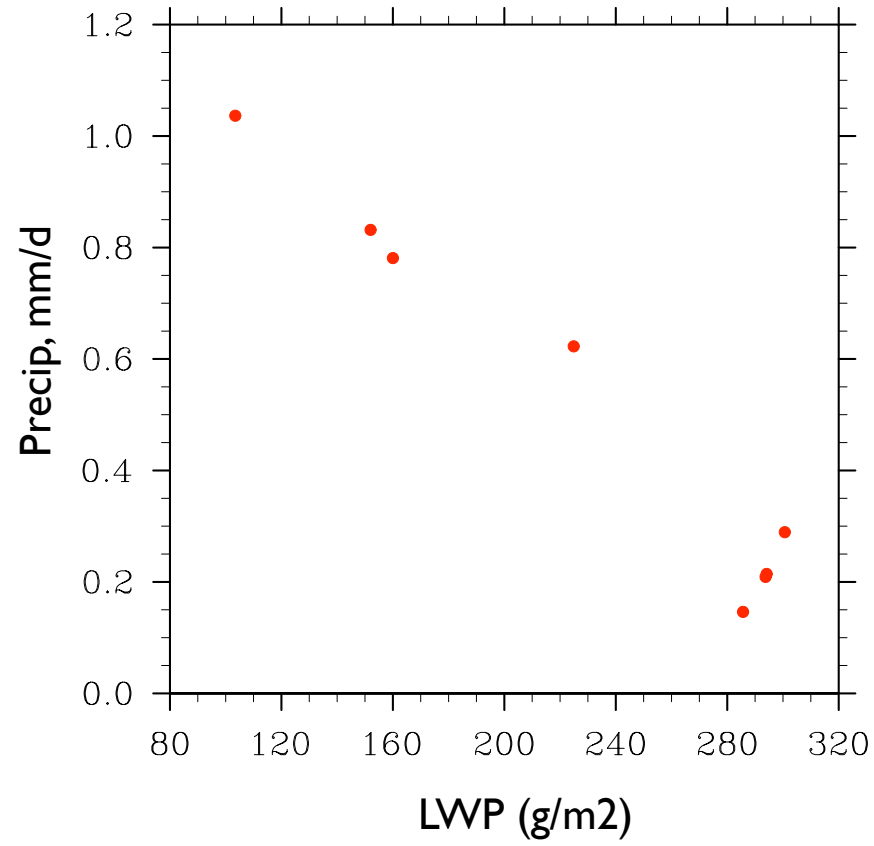


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Surface Precipitation

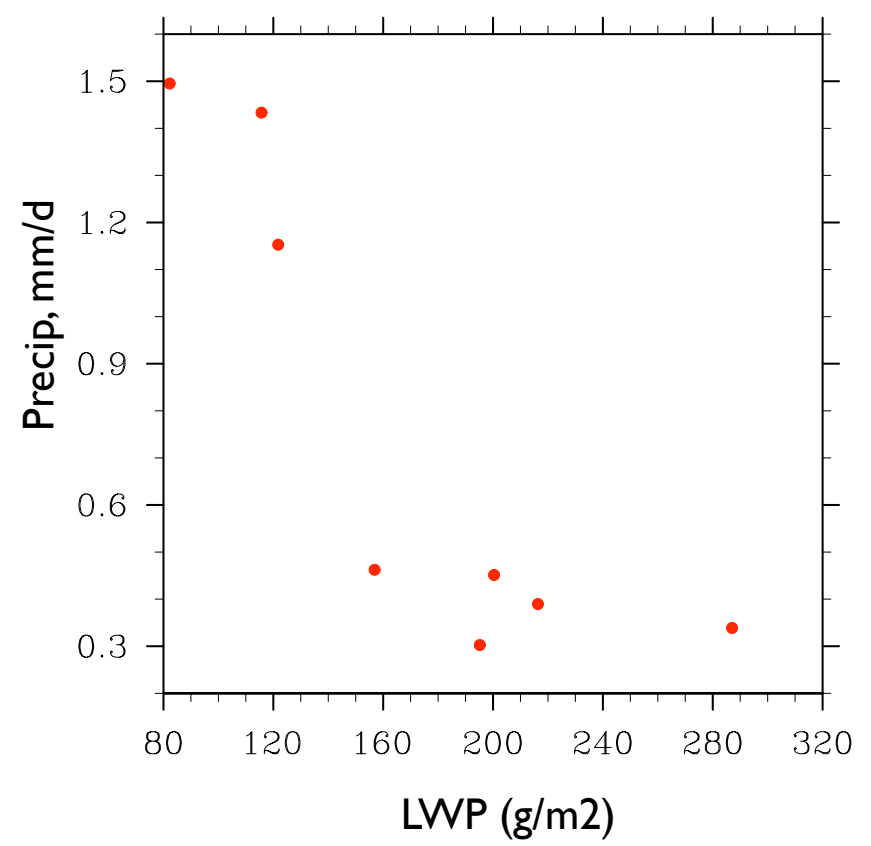


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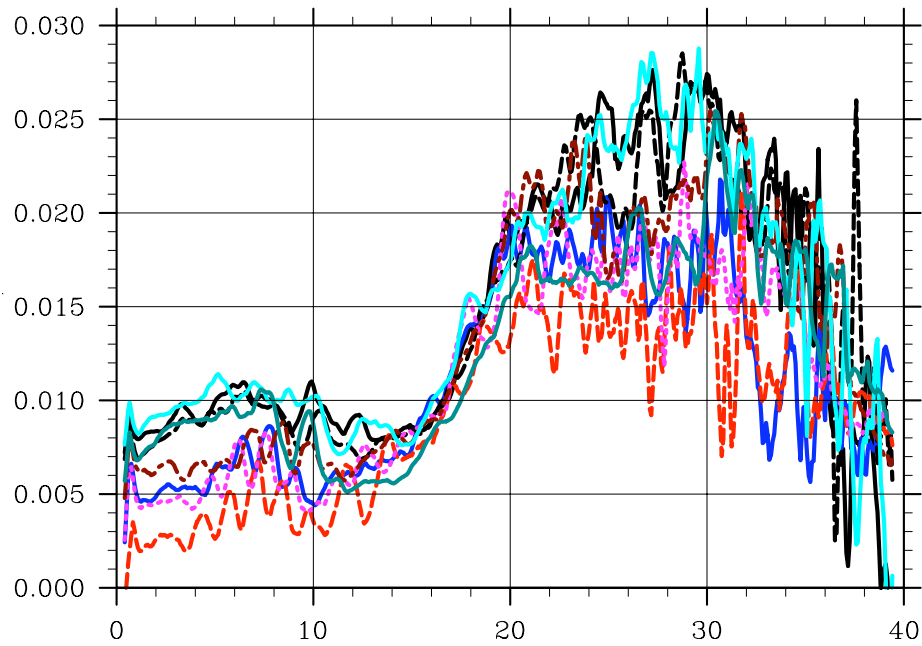
Sc regime

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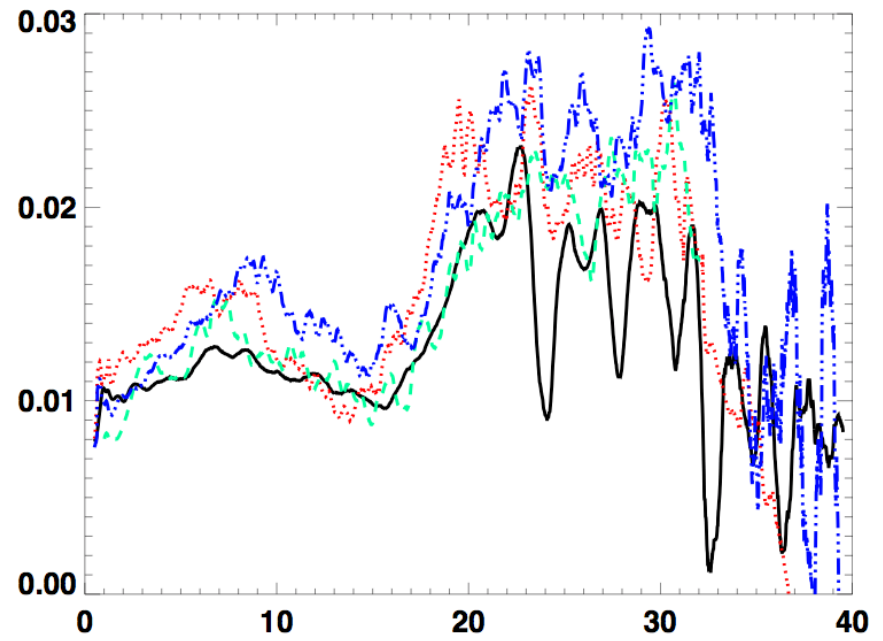


Cu regime

Entrainment Rate (hourly)

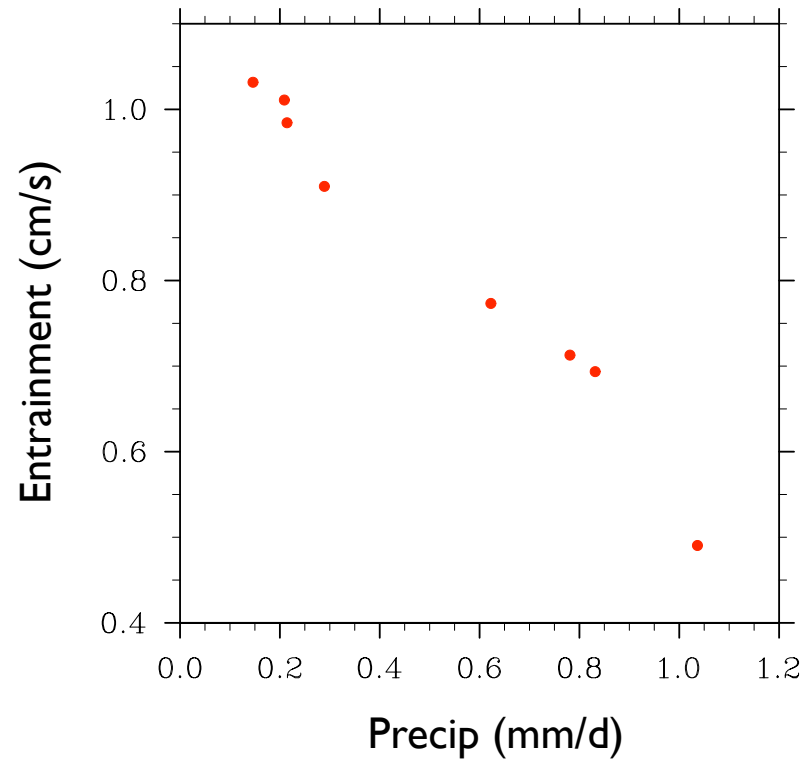


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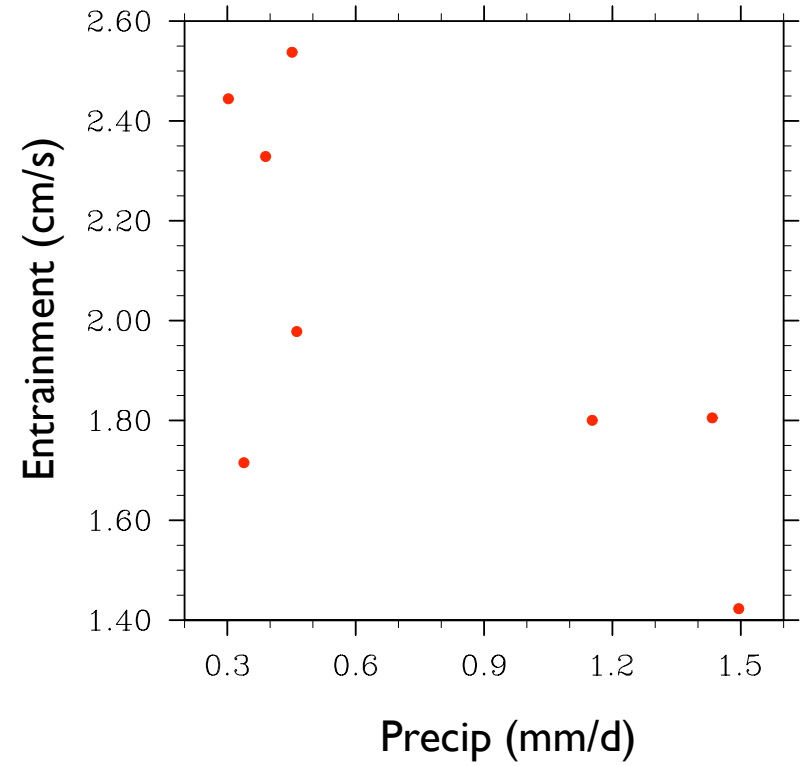
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Preliminary Results

- Strong sensitivity to microphysics (*drizzle);
- Increase/decrease of N_c by factor of 2 results in increase/decrease of final Z_{inv} by 300 m;
- No sensitivity to advection scheme used for scalars;
- The higher vert. resolution, the slower the transition, final Z_{inv} is lower by 300 m;
- Found no sensitivity to r_{eff}
- The smaller LWP, the higher drizzle rate;
- The higher drizzle rate, the slower entrainment and transition to Cu;