



ASTEX case: SCM preliminary results

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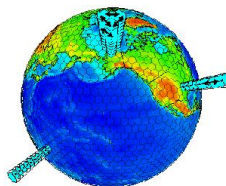
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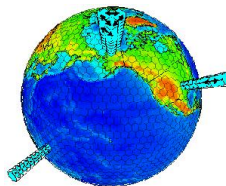
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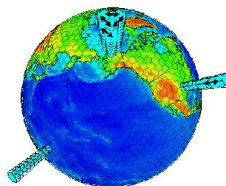
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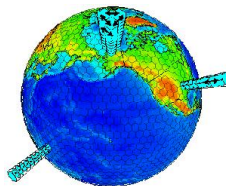
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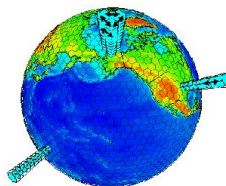
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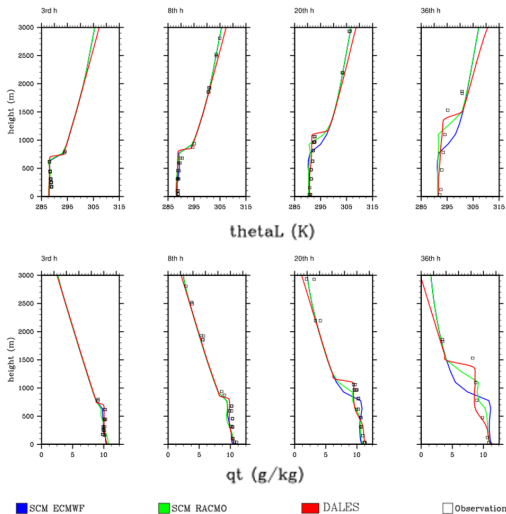
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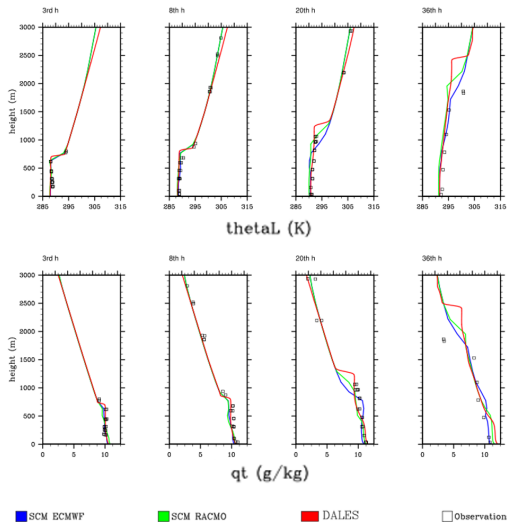
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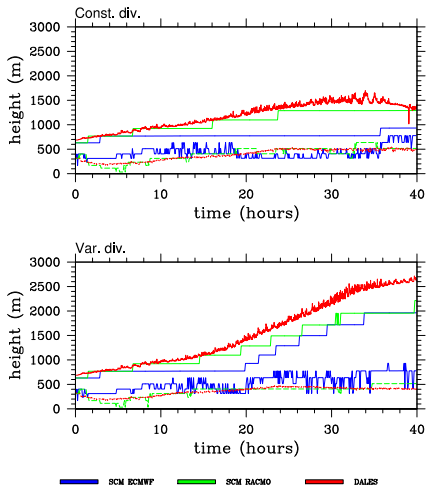
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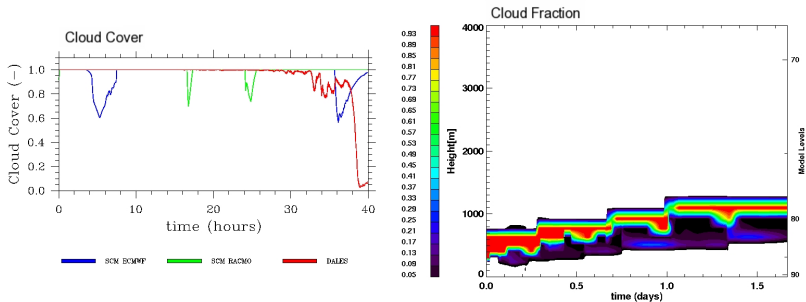
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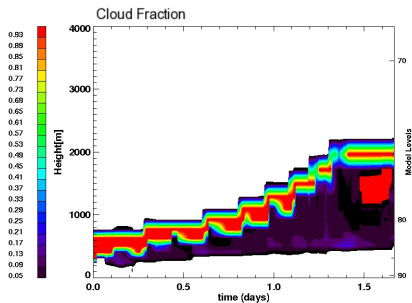
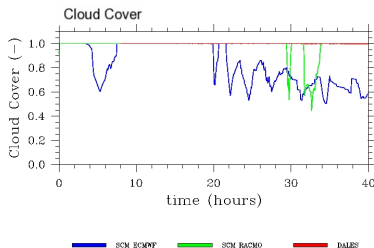
Cloud layer top and bottom



What about clouds? Constant divergence rate case



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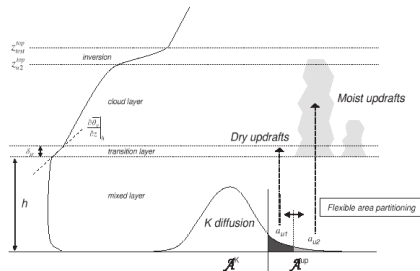
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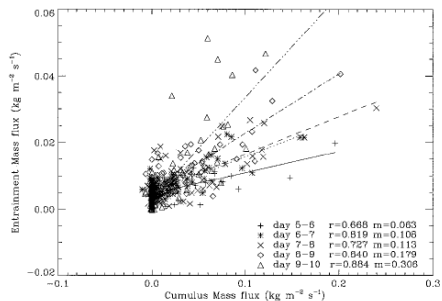
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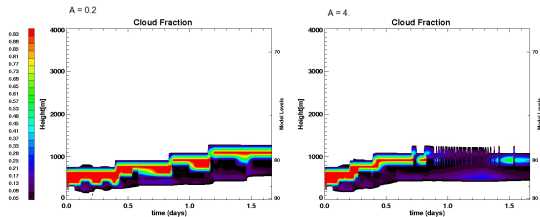
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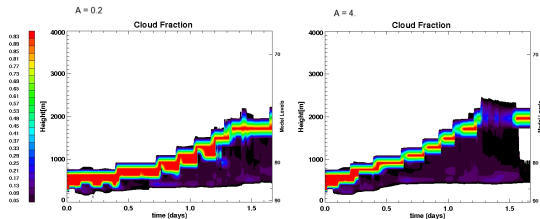
What about A?

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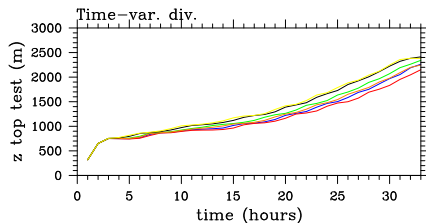
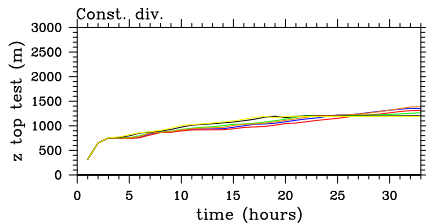
Const. div. case



Time-var div. case



The influence on BL height



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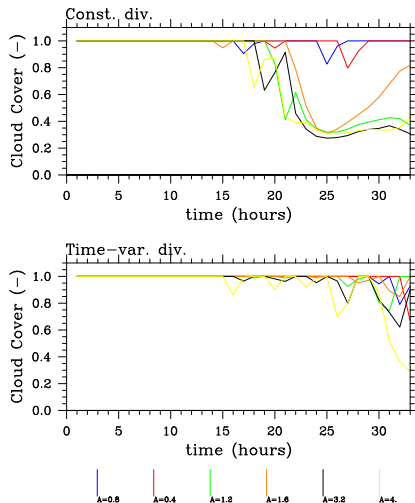
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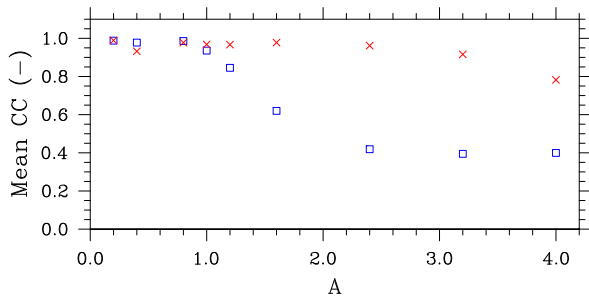
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× Time-var. div rate

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Thank you for the attention!