

Data for Idealized Particle-Resolved Large-Eddy Simulations to Evaluate the Impact of Emissions Spatial Heterogeneity on CCN Activity

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This dataset contains all material required to produce the figures found within the manuscript submitted to Aerosol Chemistry and Physics entitled “Idealized Particle-Resolved Large-Eddy Simulations to Evaluate the Impact of Emissions Spatial Heterogeneity on CCN Activity”. The archived dataset consists of:

- `data.zip`: WRF-PartMC-MOSIAC-LES simulation data in Section 3
- 5 - `scripts.zip`: Python notebooks for generating figures in Section 2 and 3, and scripts used to compile the normalized spatial heterogeneity metric as described by Mohebalhojeh et al. 2025.

Software requirements/recommendations

All figures in the paper were run with Python 3.9.23. This older version is required due to a dependency of `f2py` (used to compile Fortran code for the spatial heterogeneity metric calculation into an object which can be imported as a Python module) which has since been deprecated. Users should run the `create_env.sh` script in `scripts.zip` to create a conda environment which contains all the necessary packages.

Required packages are as follows with the version used for this manuscript:

- `numpy` (2.0.2)
- `scipy` (1.13.1)
- 15 - `matplotlib` (3.9.2)
- `netCDF4` (1.7.2) - available at <https://unidata.github.io/netcdf4-python/>
- `pandas` (2.3.1)
- `ipykernel` (6.30.1)

- setuptools (59.8.0)
- 20 - gfortran (15.1.0)

Directory structure of simulation data for Section 3

Upon downloading and untarring `data.zip`, it may be explored as follows:

- Data files containing a subset of variables, spatial dimensions, and time slices used in generating Section 3 figures.
Slices of the domain indicate the index along a given dimension (e.g., time ranges from 0 to 36, vertical height ranges
25 from 0 to 99). Datasets are organized by each emissions scenario (no-heterogeneity, low-heterogeneity, medium-heterogeneity, high-heterogeneity). Rather than listing each file here, we replace the scenario title in filenames by *:
 - Vertical-level averaged environmental conditions (temperature, RH):
`no-heterogeneity_met-vars_subset.nc`
 - Per-grid cell gas mixing ratios, particle species mass fractions: `*_subset_t36.nc`
 - Binned number and mass distributions: `*_size-dist_subset_t0_t36_z60.nc`
 - Detailed per-particle output (e.g., per-particle mass fractions, kappa):
`crosssec_no-heterogeneity_t0_z40.nc`, `crosssec_*_t36_z40.nc`
 - CCN concentration variables, averaged across each vertical level: `*_ccn-vars_subset.nc`
 - Output for ammonia-free scenarios: `*-no-nh4_subset_t36.nc`
- Data in the `spatial-het/` directory consists of lookup tables for spatial heterogeneity values and binary arrays indicating the structure of each emissions pattern:
 - Lookup table for the spatial heterogeneity value (η) of each emission pattern:
`sh_patterns_xres100_yres100_exact.csv`
 - Arrays for each emission scenario: `/sh-patterns/xres100yres100/[scenario-name].csv`

Directory structure of scripts for Section 3

Upon downloading and untarring `scripts.zip`, it may be explored as follows:

- `create_env.sh`: Shell script for setting up a conda environment with the particular version of Python and associated packages required. **Please run this script first before proceeding to run other files in this directory.**

- 45 - `compile_nsh.sh`: Shell script for compiling `nsh.f90` to a Python executable object via the `f2py` package. Once
this script runs, you should see a `*.so` shared object library file.
- 50 - `nsh.f90`: Fortran module for calculating the discrete normalized spatial heterogeneity metric of Mohebalhojeh et al.
2025. This module contains two subroutines, `normalizedSpatialHet()` which is naive looping routine over all
subarray configurations. For large domain sizes, this routine is computationally prohibitive and the Monte Carlo sampling
subroutine `monteCarloSpatialHet()` is preferred.
- 55 - `griddedoutput_helperfuncs.py`: Helper functions for processing and plotting per-particle datasets.
- `griddedoutput_plotting.py`: Plotting functions for per-particle datasets.
- `loaddatastructs.py`: Datasets and associated attributes are housed within the objects `DataStruct` and the in-
herited class `GriddedOutput` for per-particle datasets.
- `paper-figures-bulk.ipynb`: Python notebook for generating Figures 1-6 and 9-11.
- `paper-figures-particle-resolved.ipynb`: Python notebook for generating Figures 7,8 from per-particle
datasets.