

# On numerical modelling of clouds and precipitation

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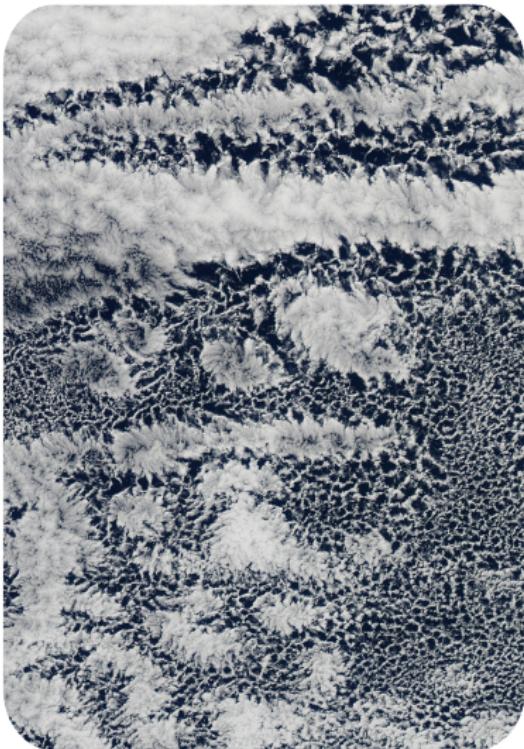
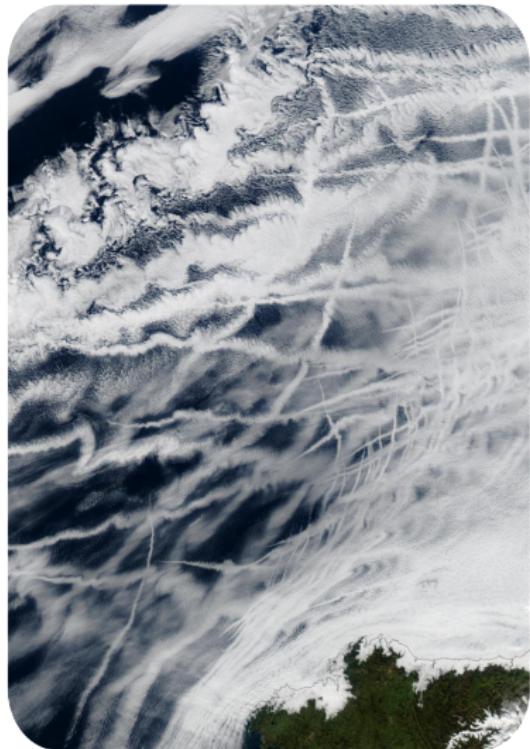


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- rain drops evaporate into aerosol particles of potentially altered size and/or composition (collisions, chemistry)



# Cloud evolution: as seen from space



NASA/MODIS (27 Jan 2003 – Bay of Biscay; 17 Apr 2010 – off the coast of Peru)

<http://visibleearth.nasa.gov/view.php?id=64992>

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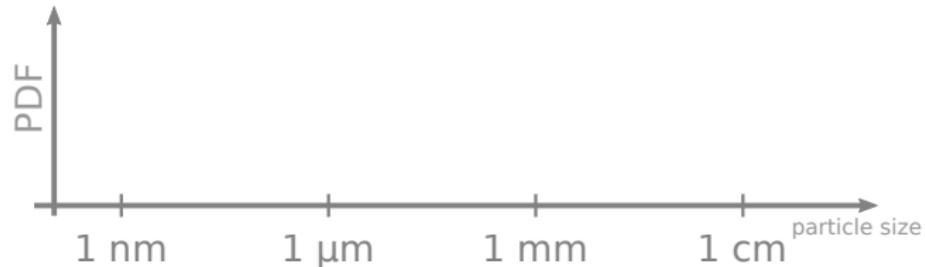
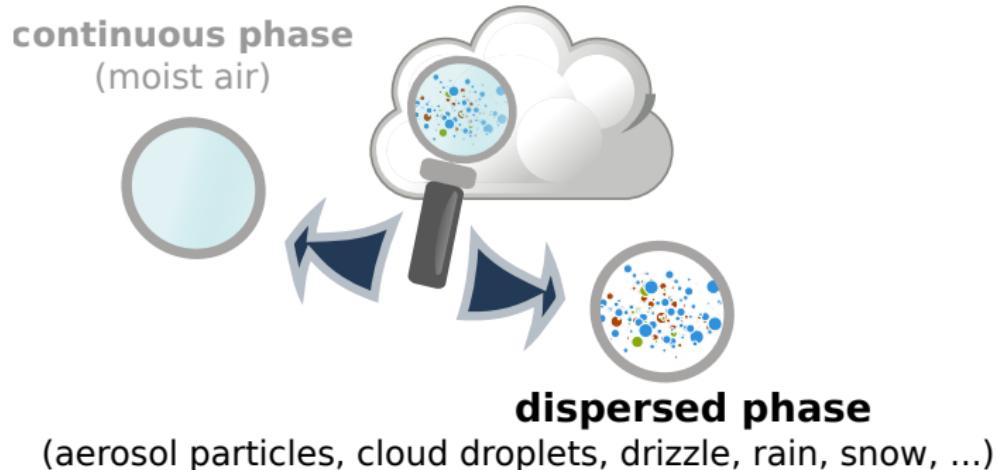
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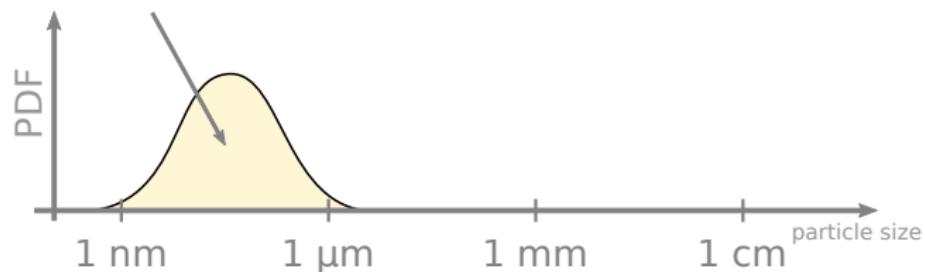
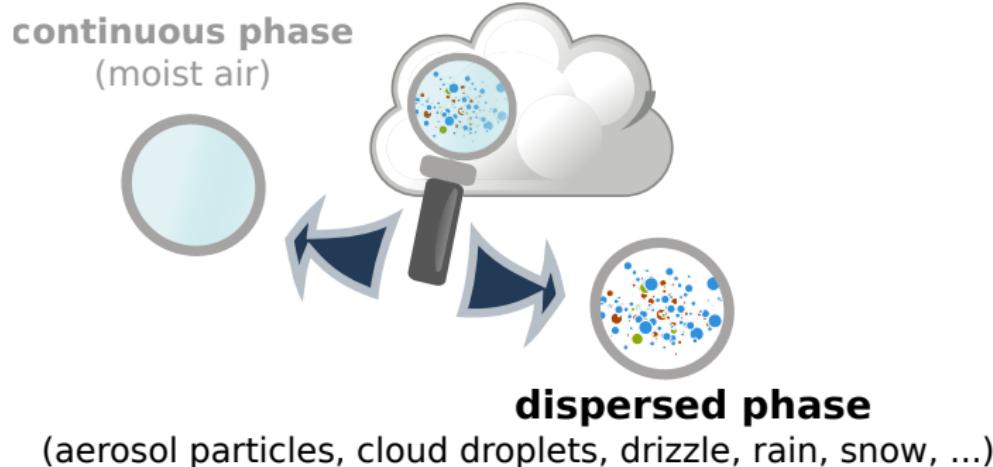
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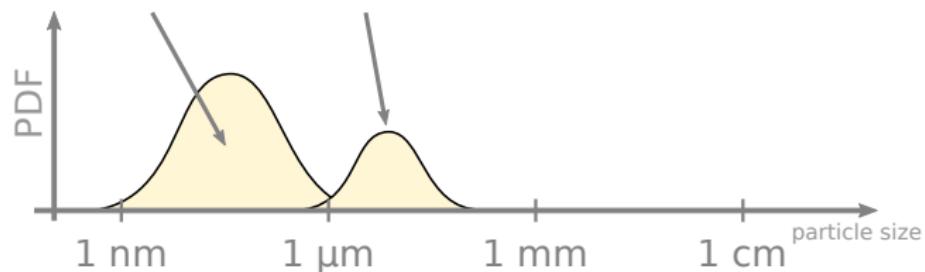
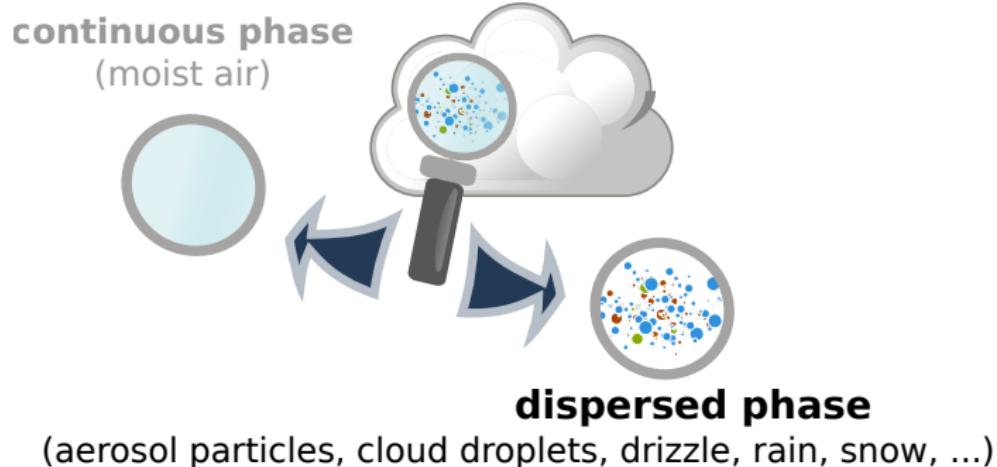
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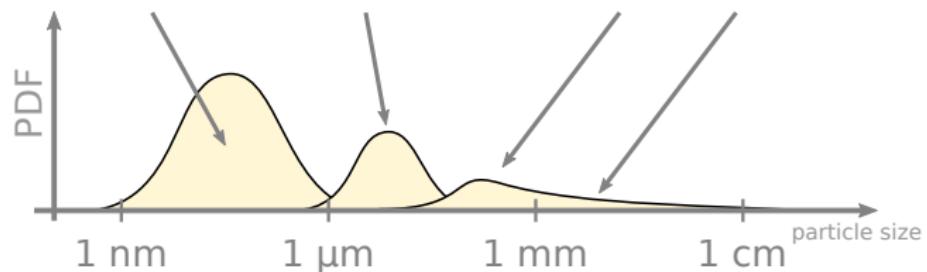
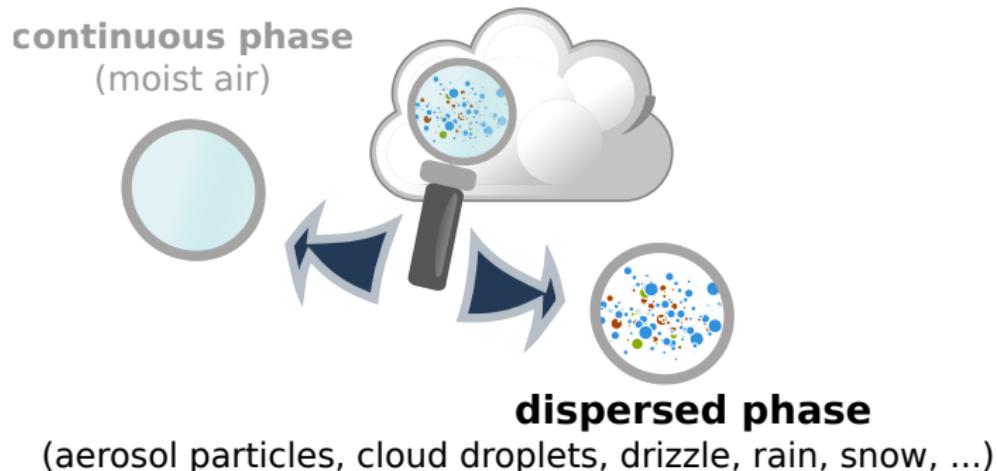
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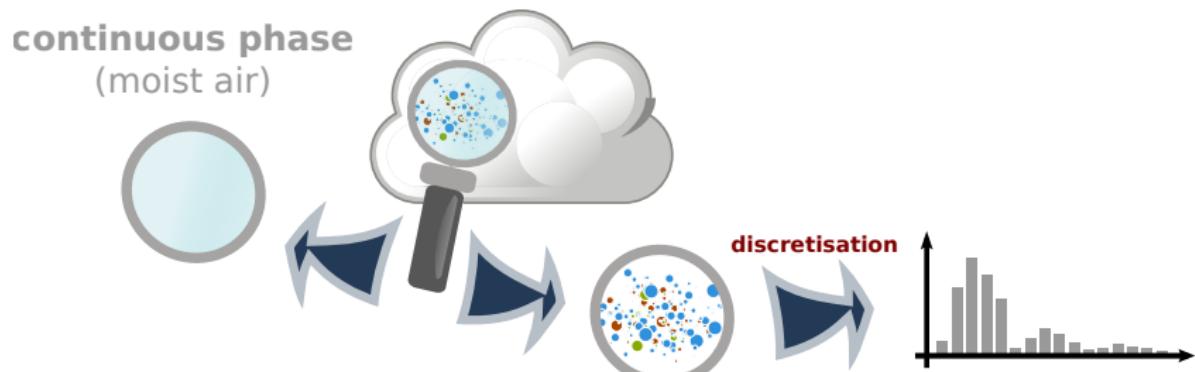
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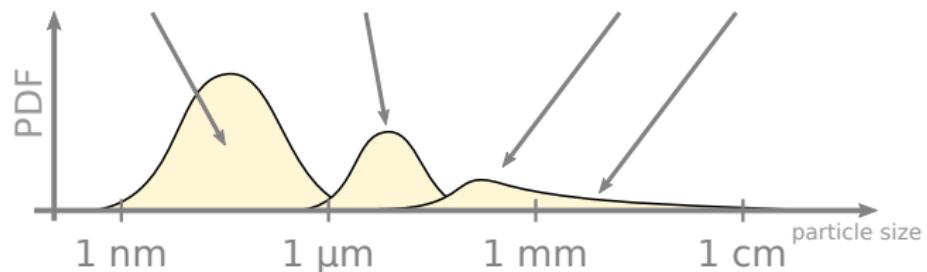
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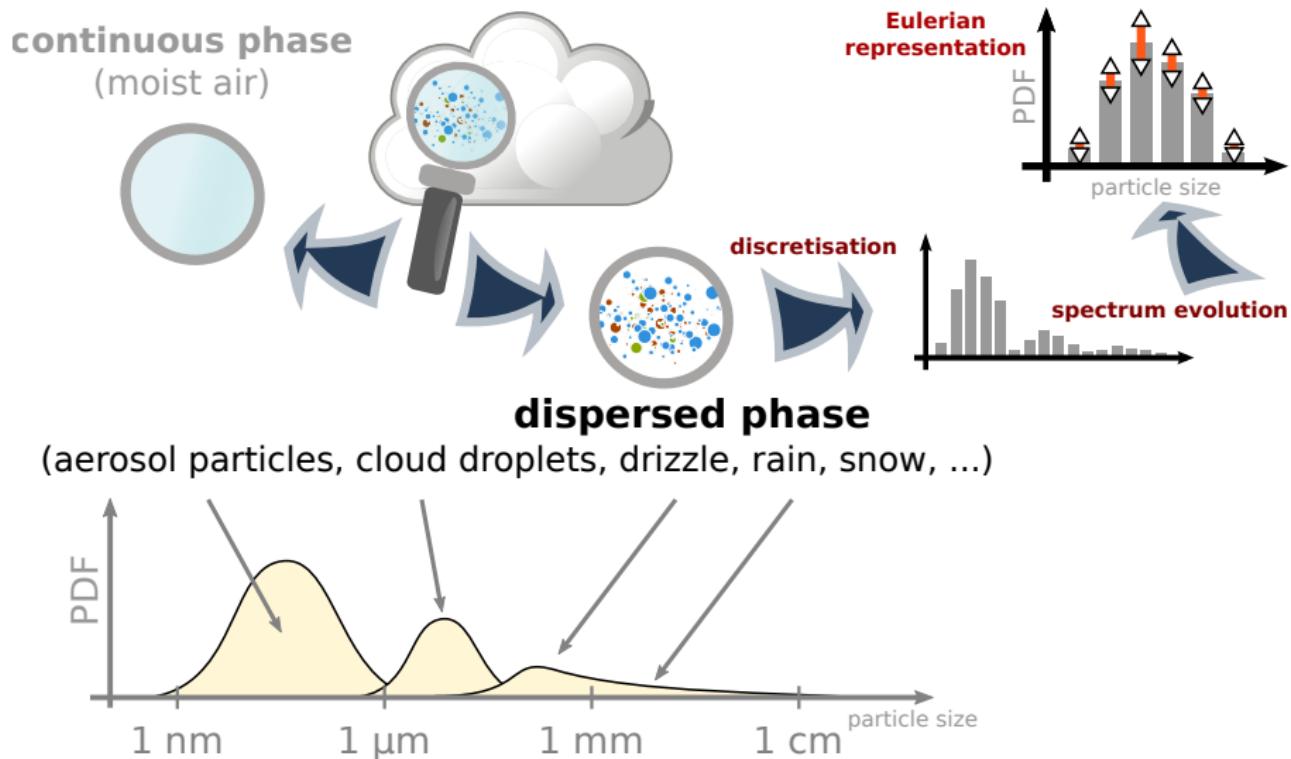
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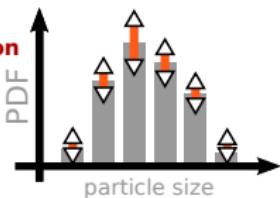


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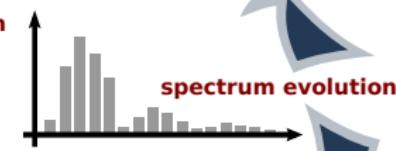
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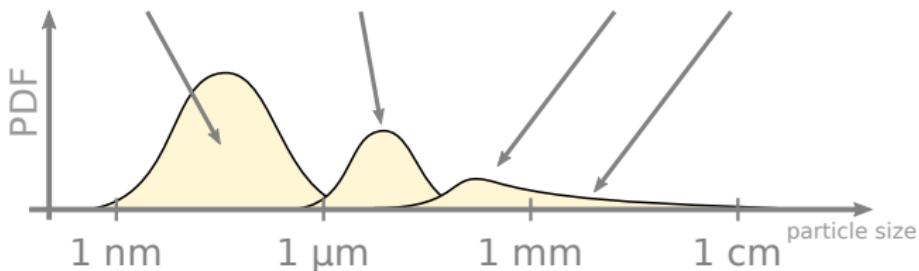


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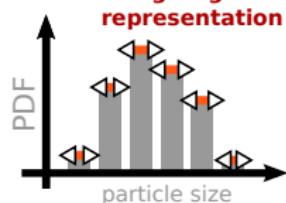


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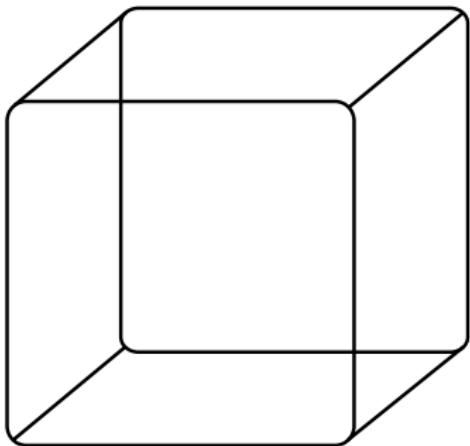
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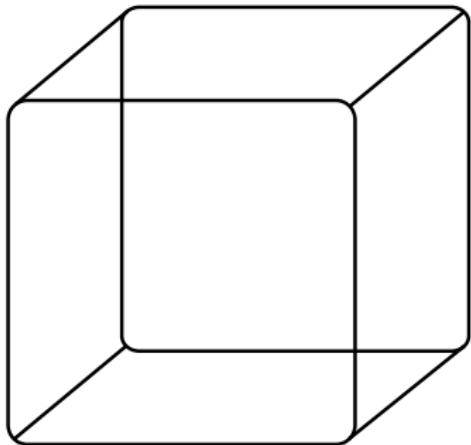


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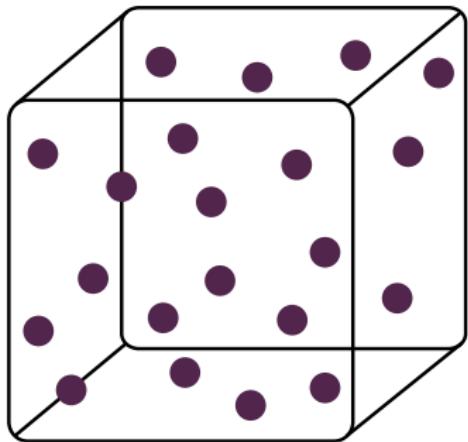
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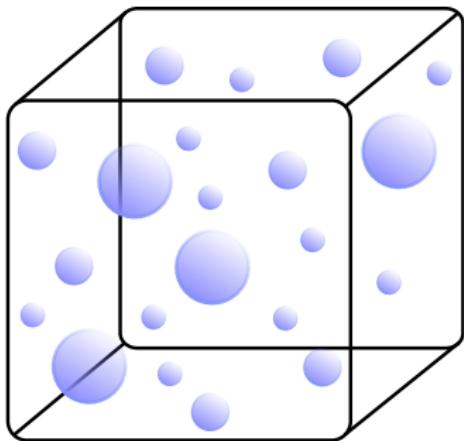


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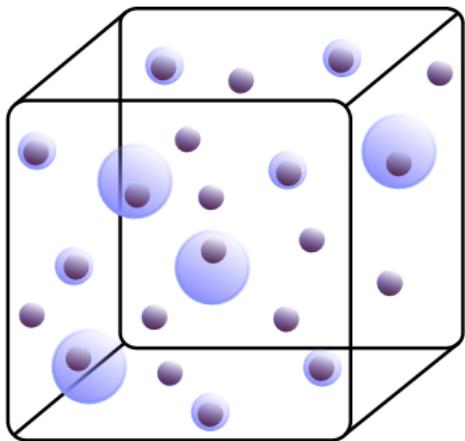


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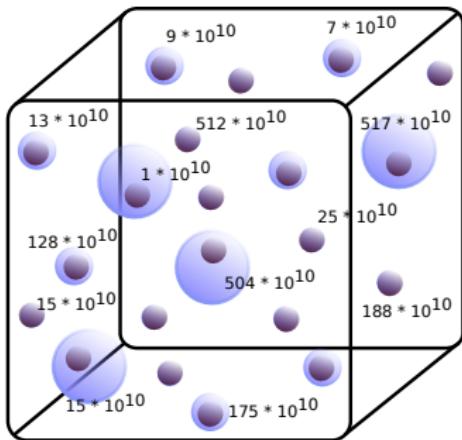


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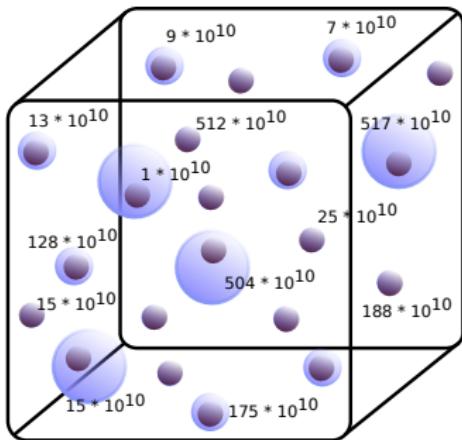


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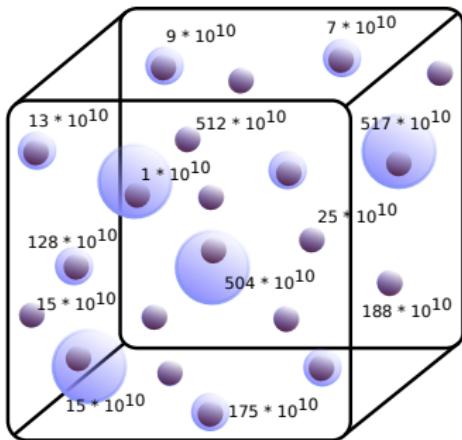


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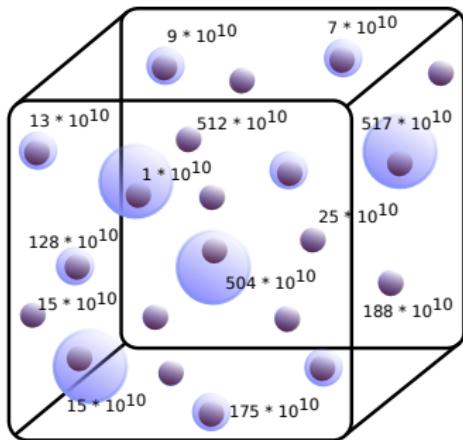
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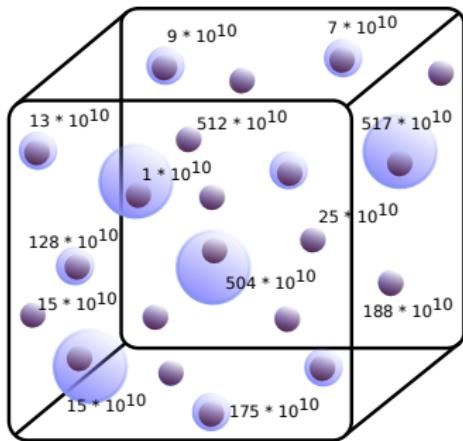
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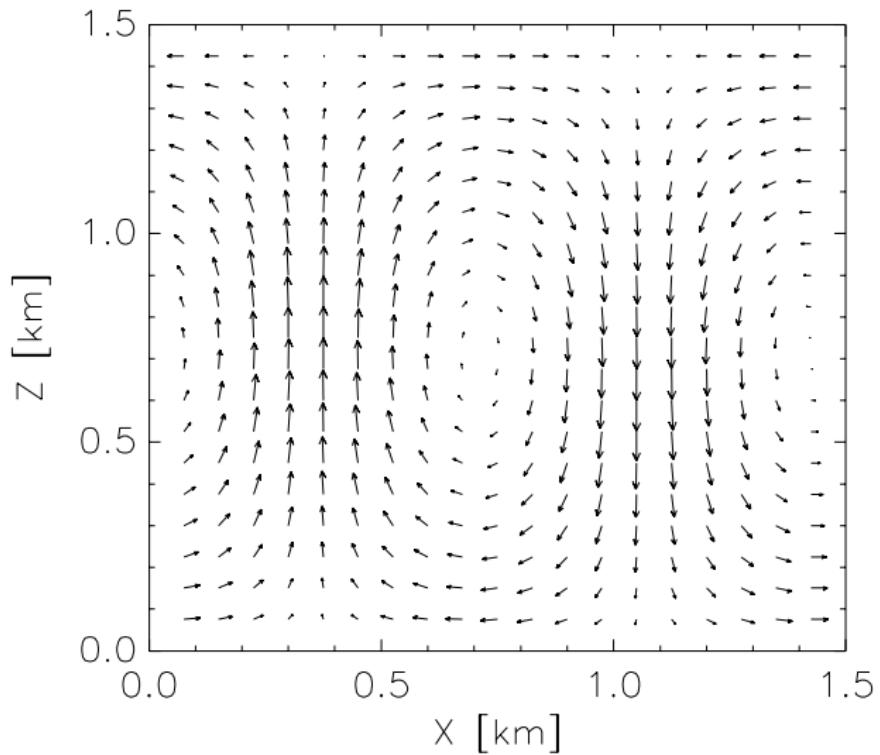
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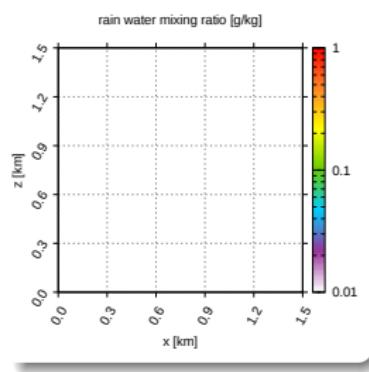
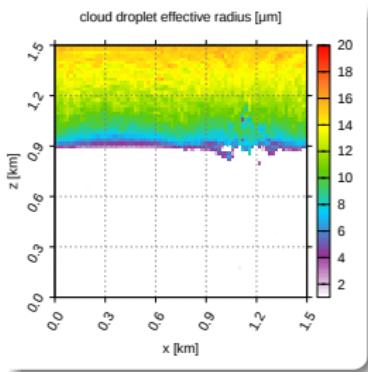
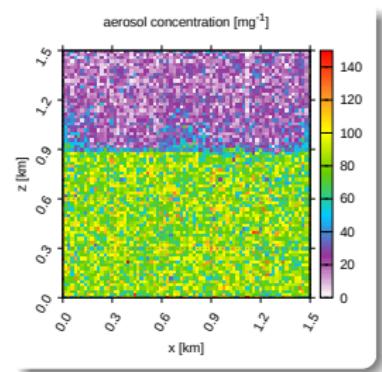
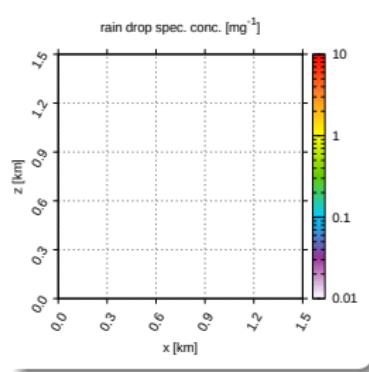
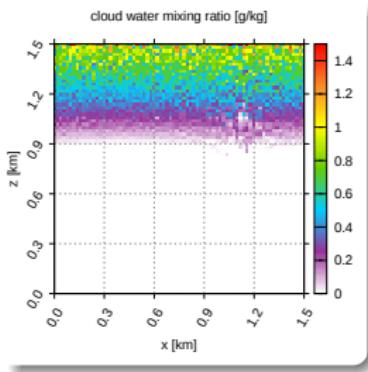
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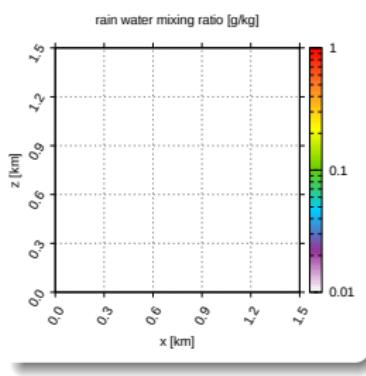
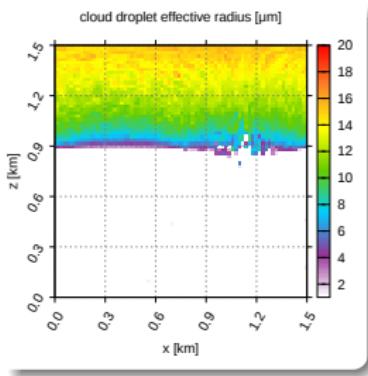
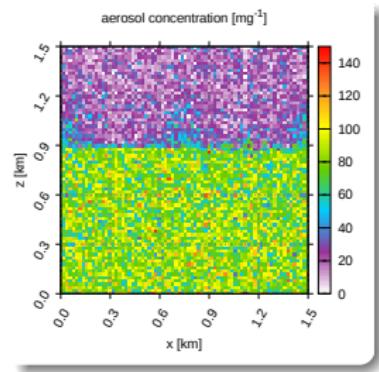
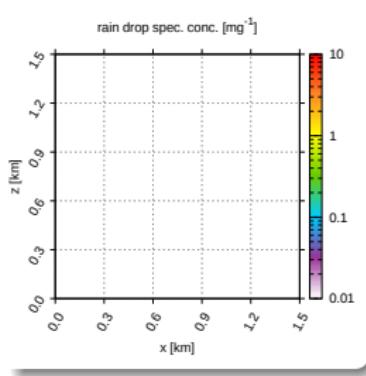
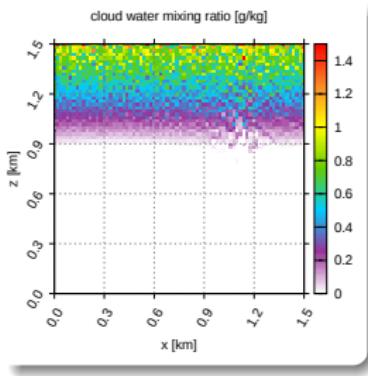
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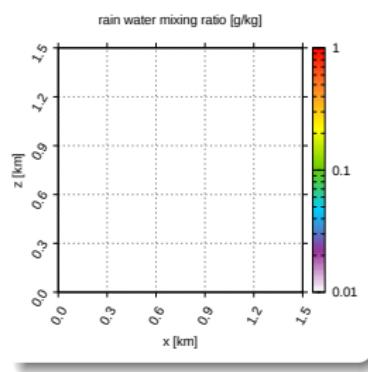
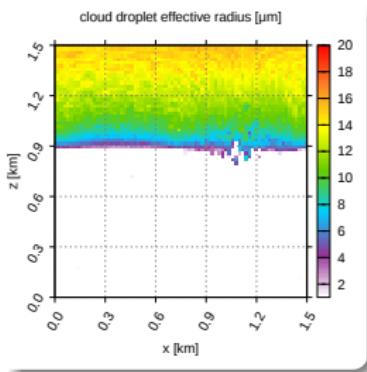
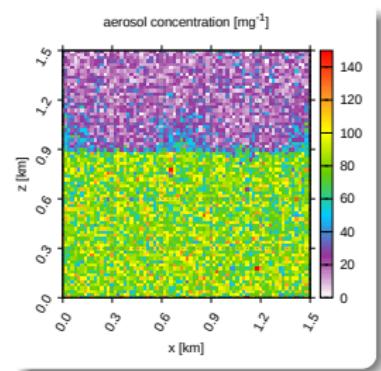
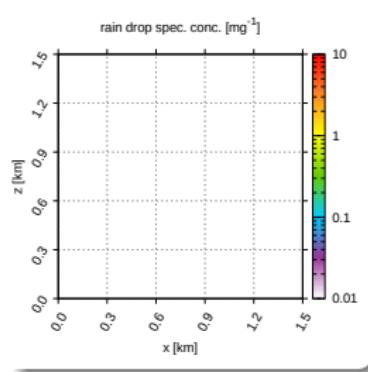
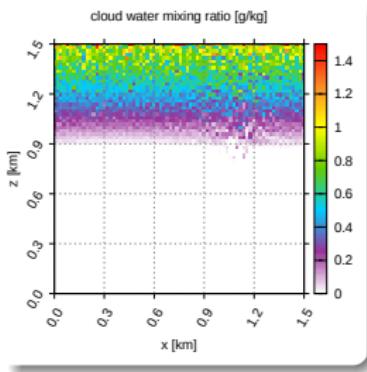
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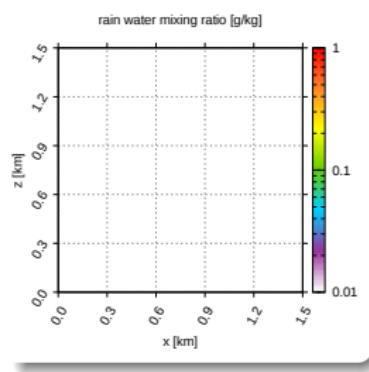
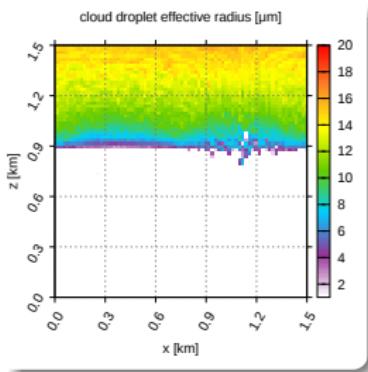
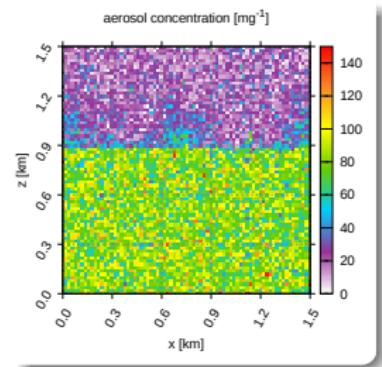
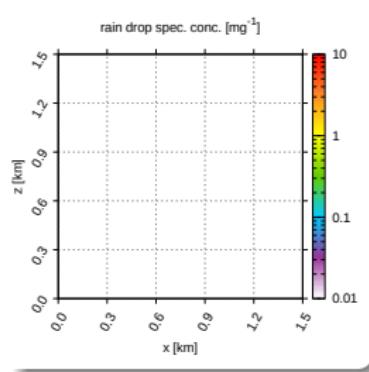
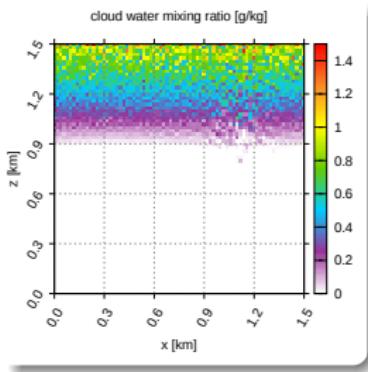
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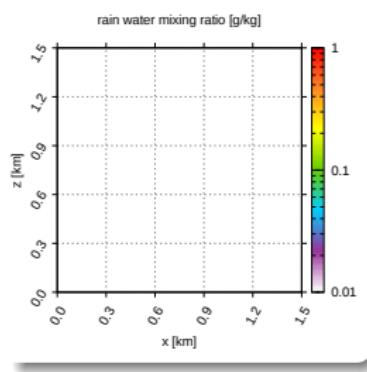
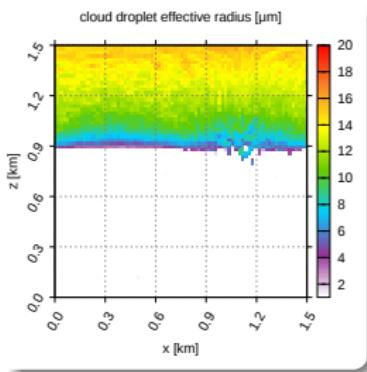
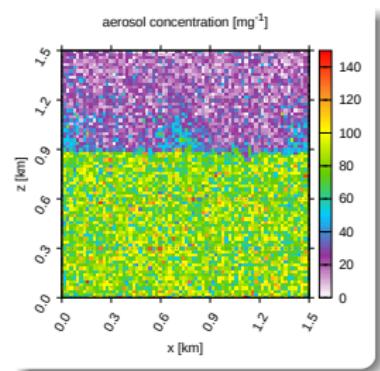
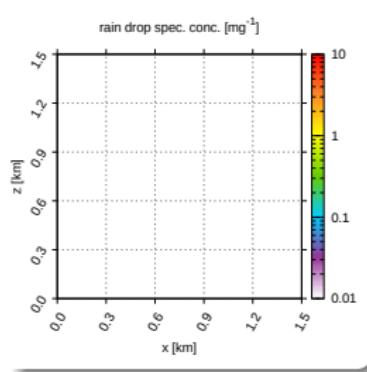
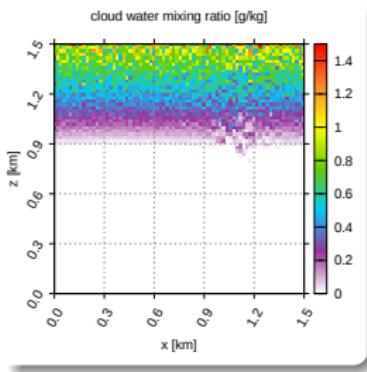
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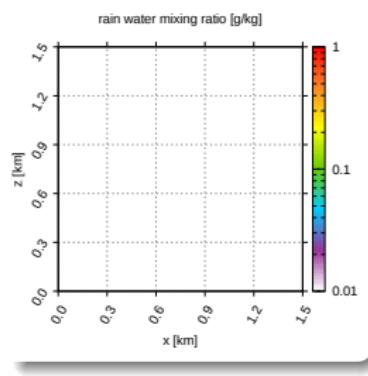
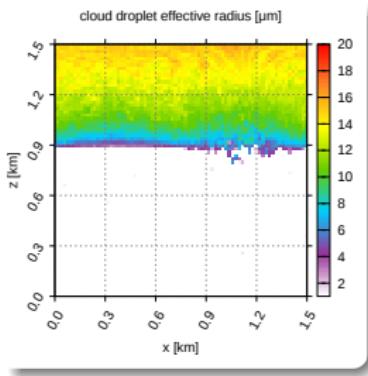
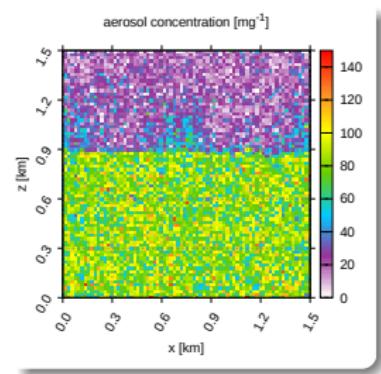
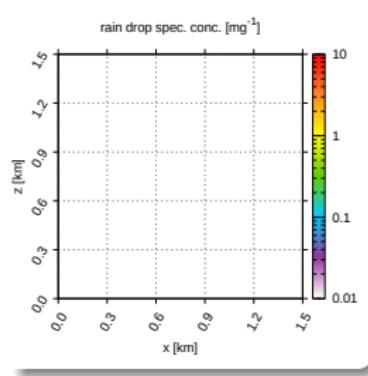
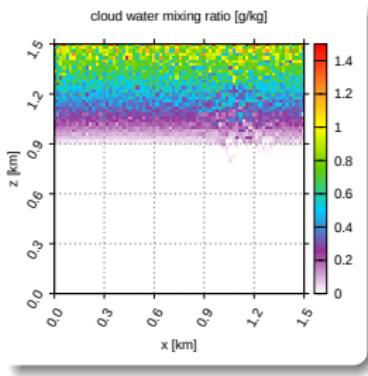
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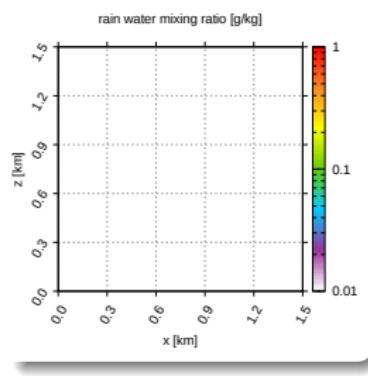
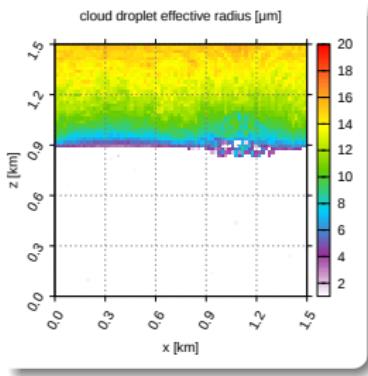
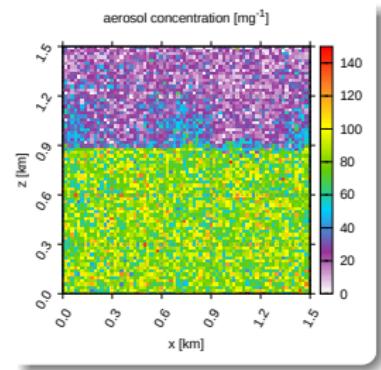
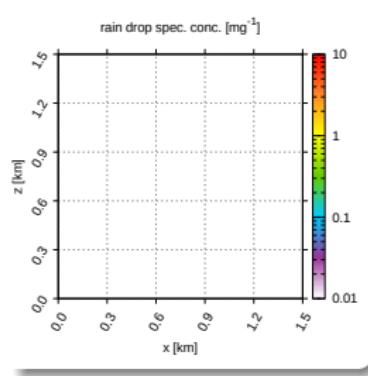
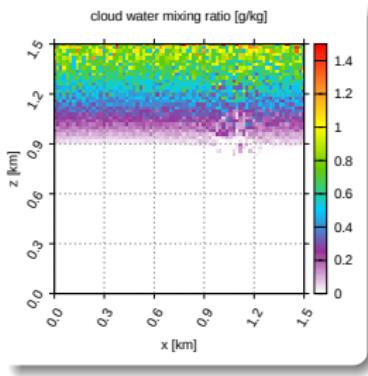
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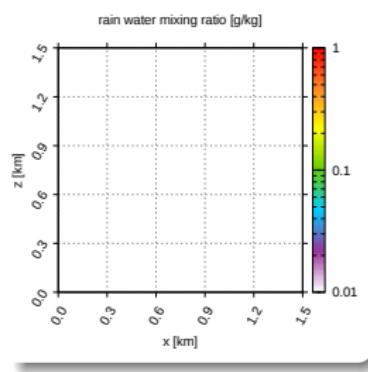
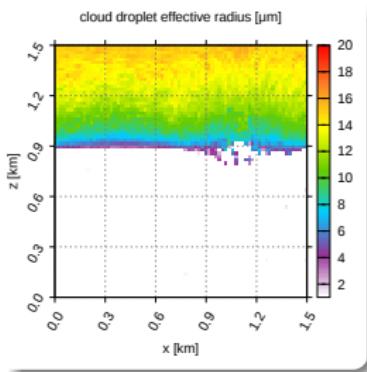
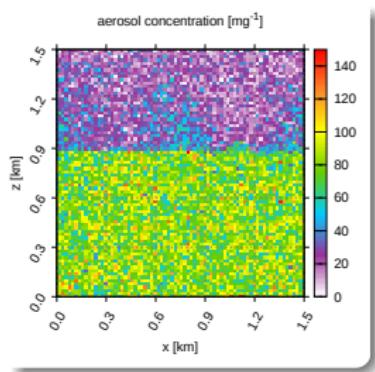
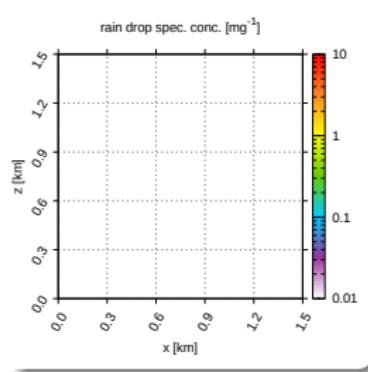
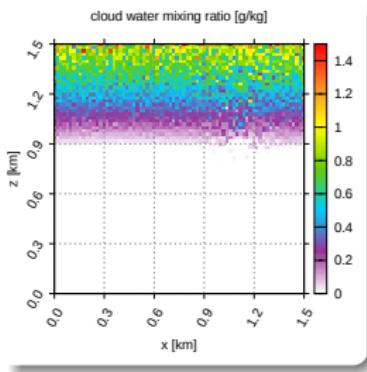
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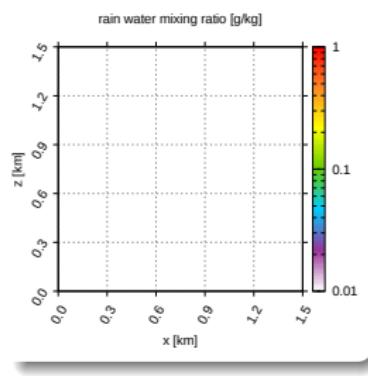
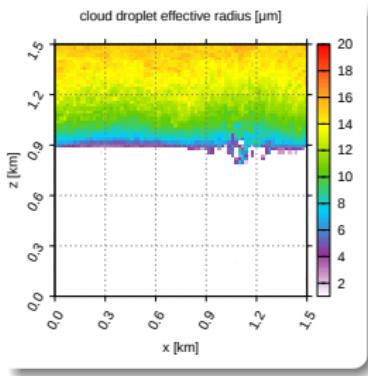
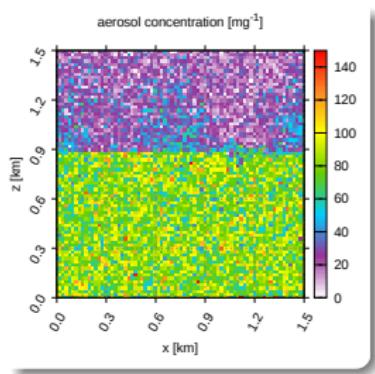
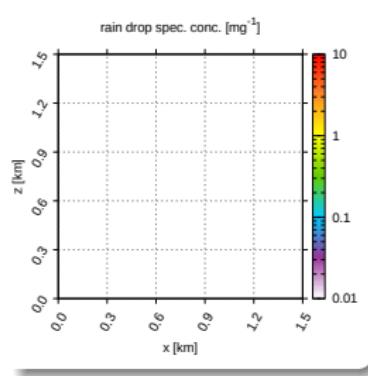
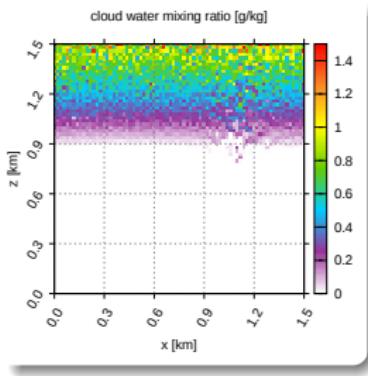
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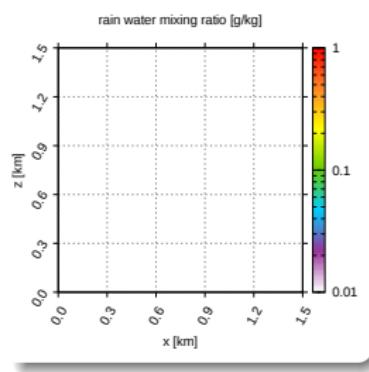
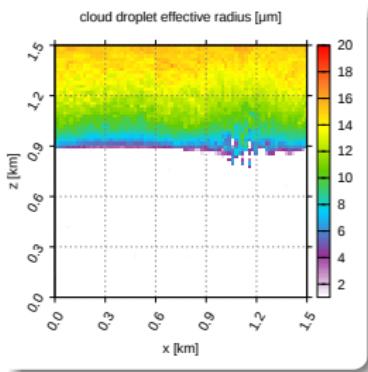
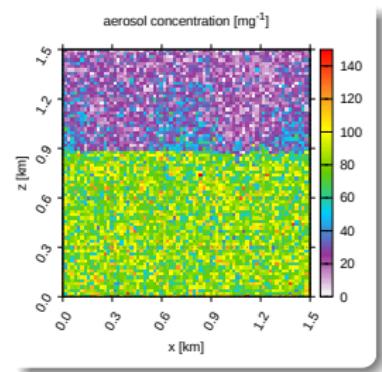
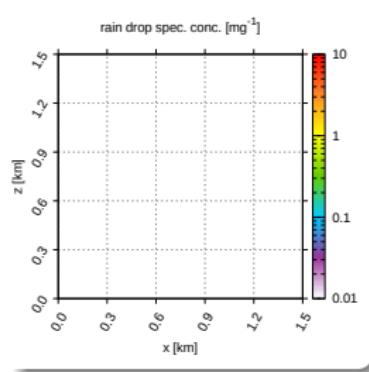
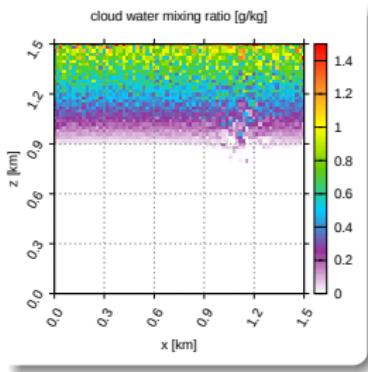
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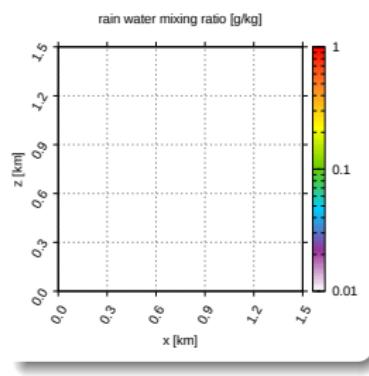
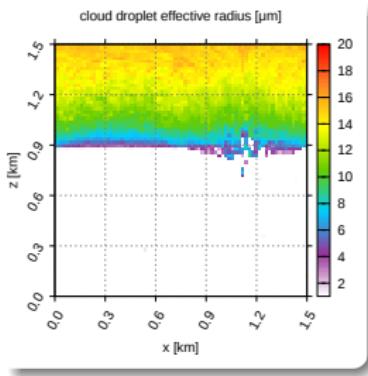
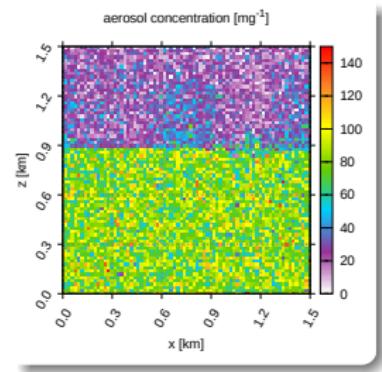
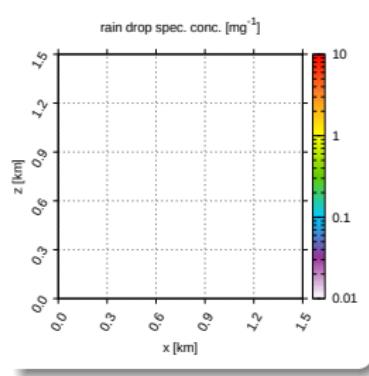
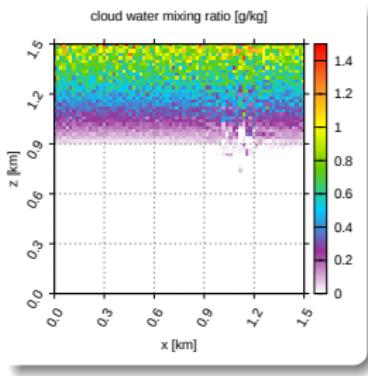
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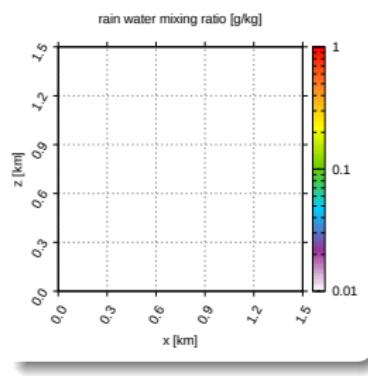
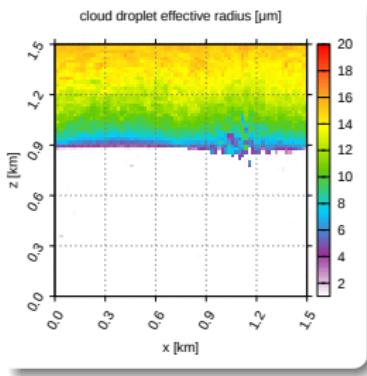
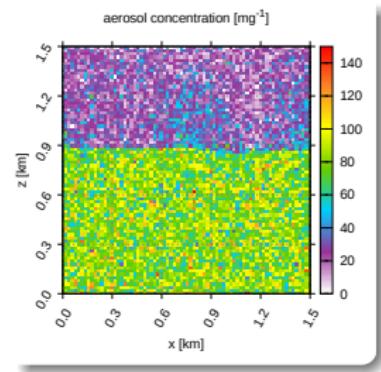
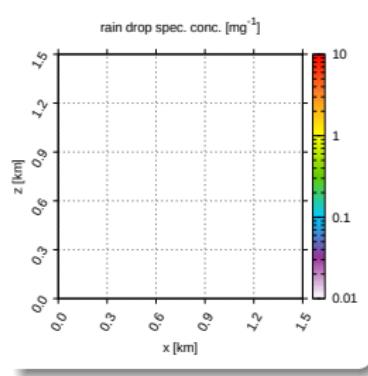
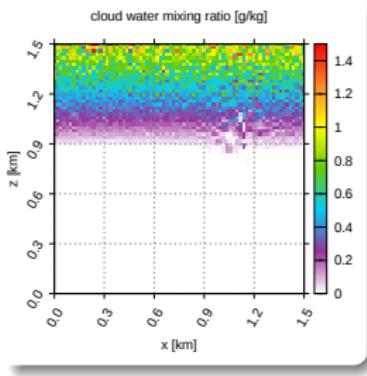
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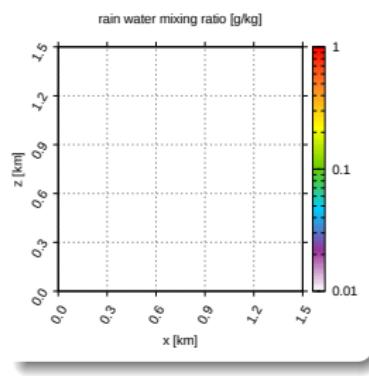
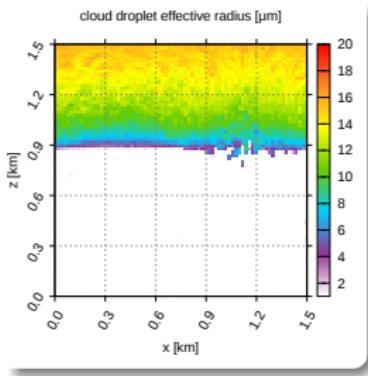
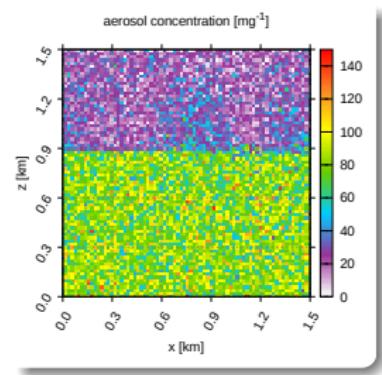
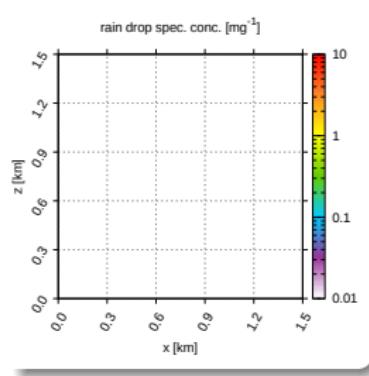
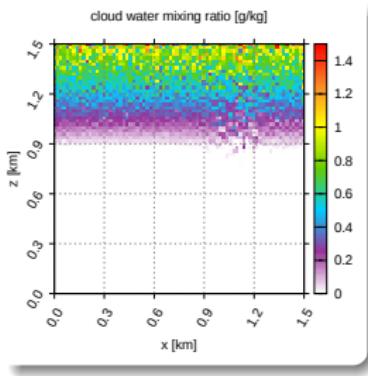
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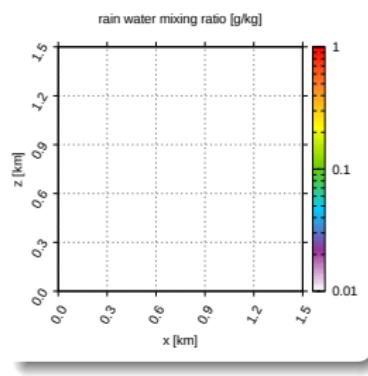
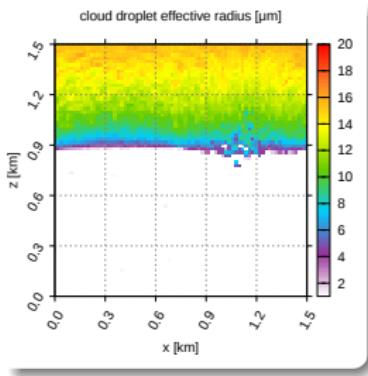
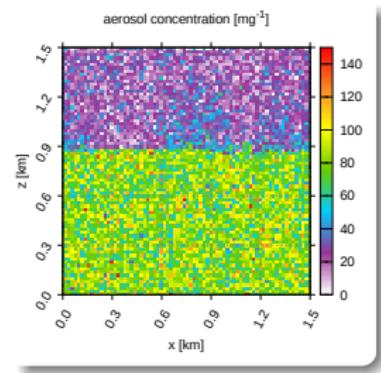
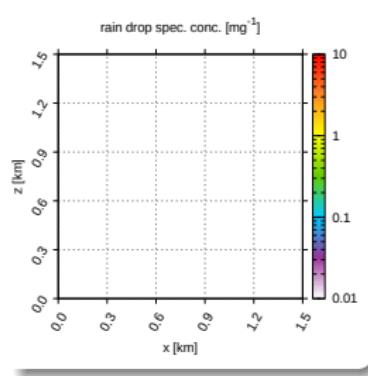
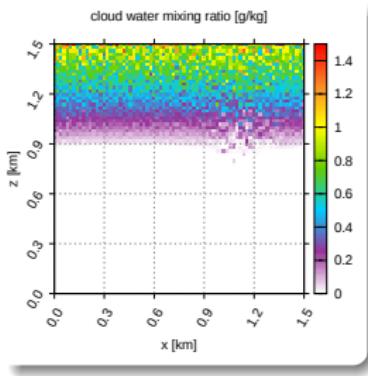
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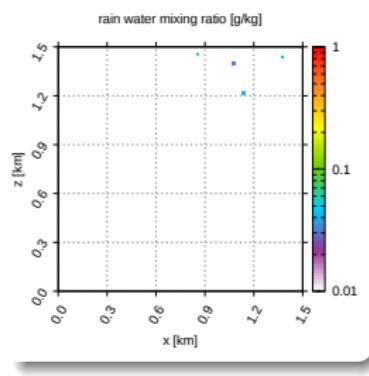
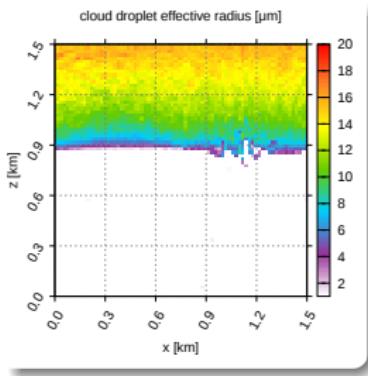
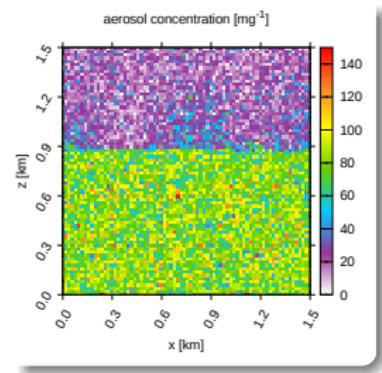
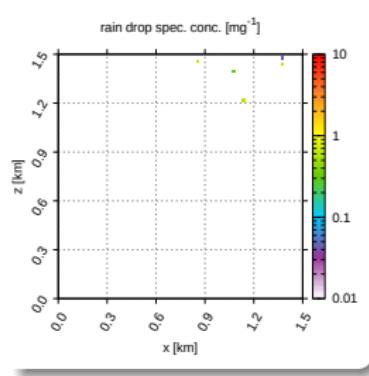
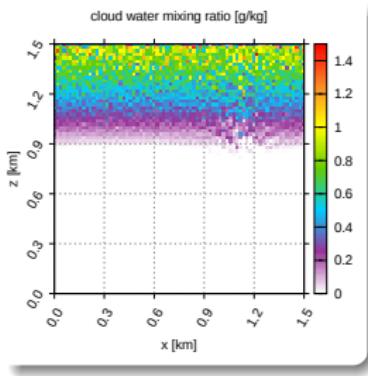
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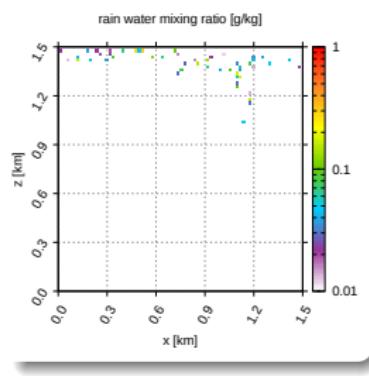
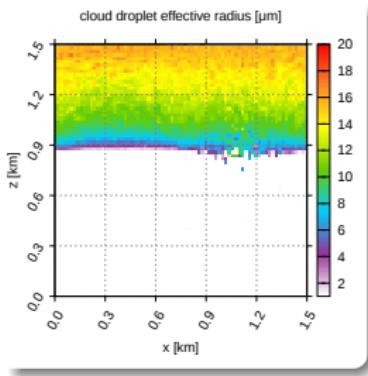
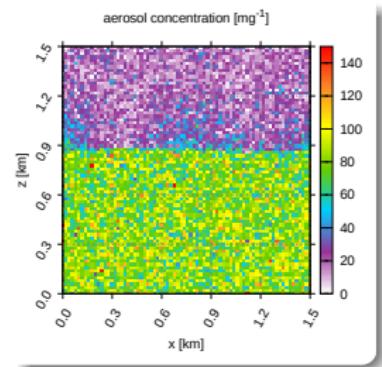
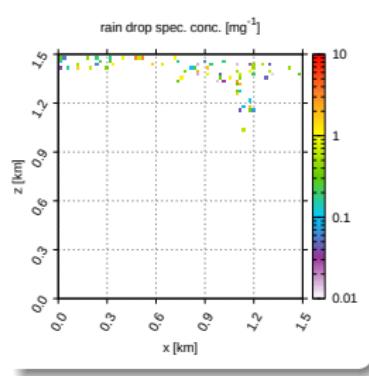
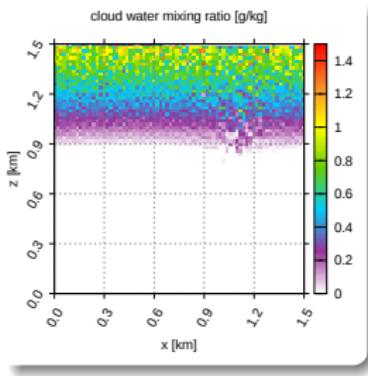
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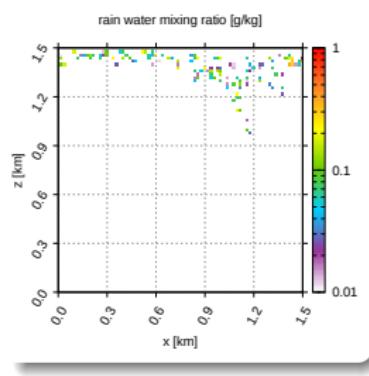
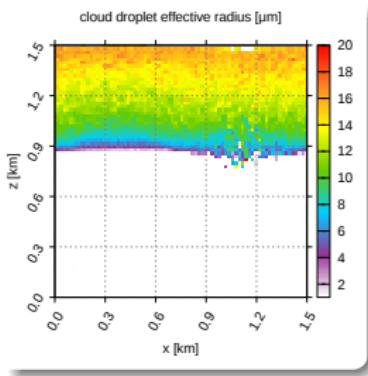
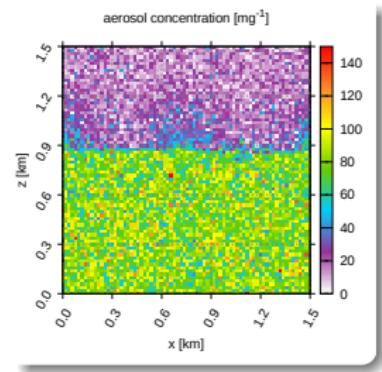
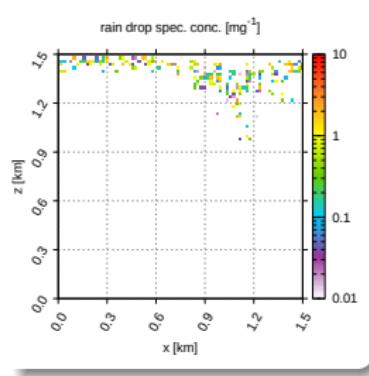
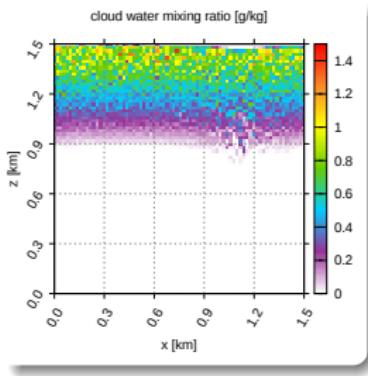
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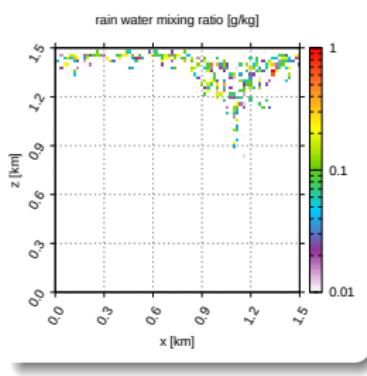
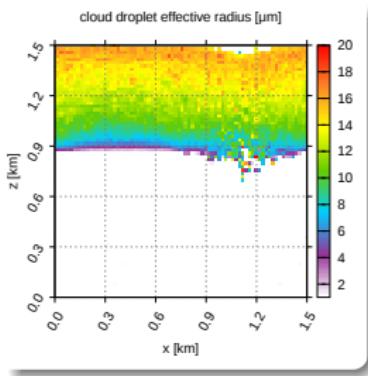
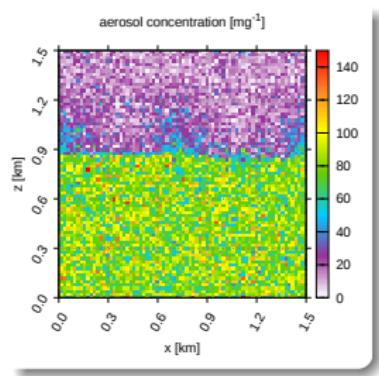
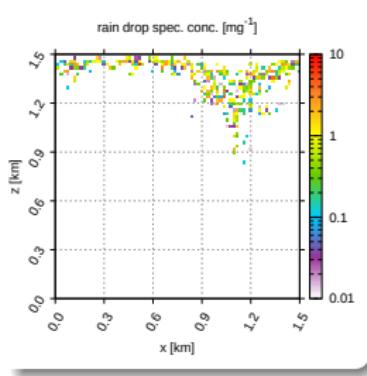
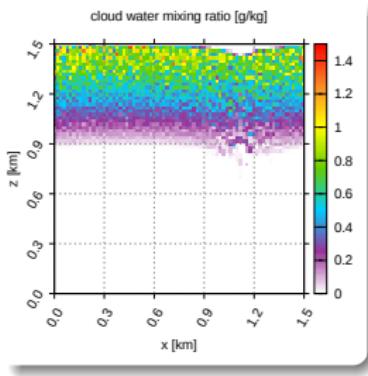
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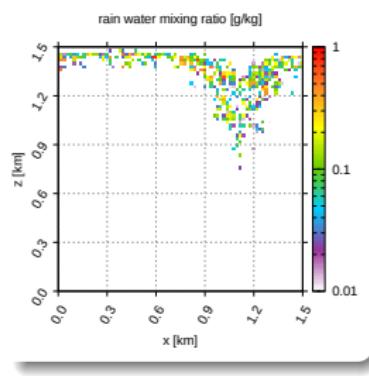
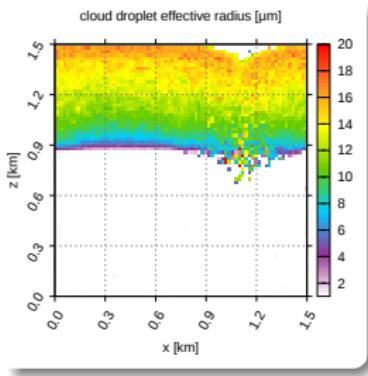
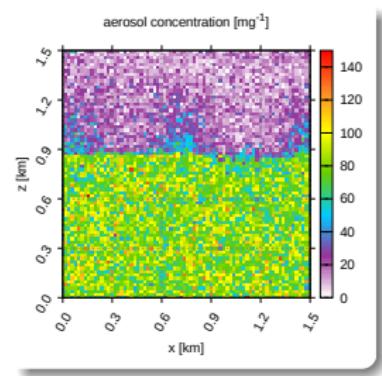
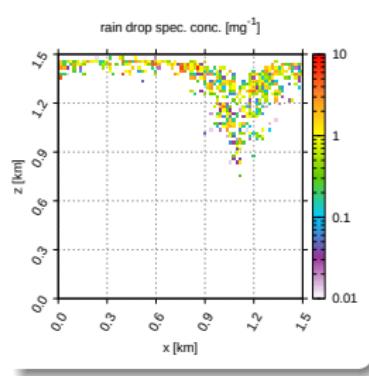
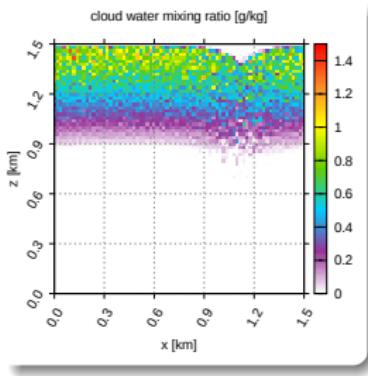
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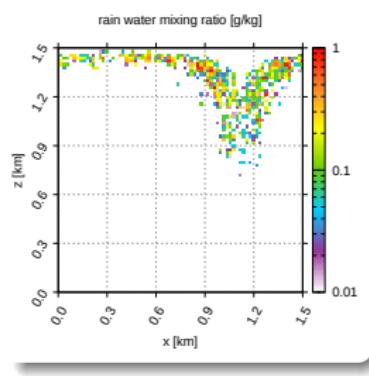
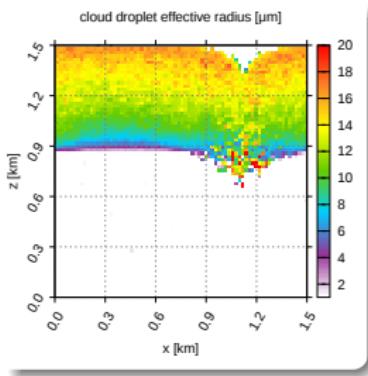
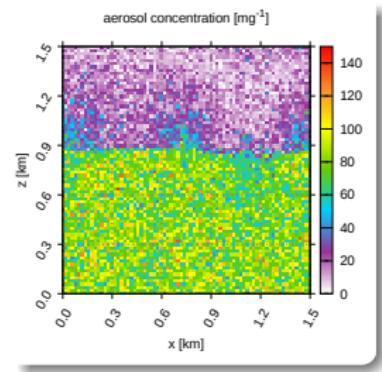
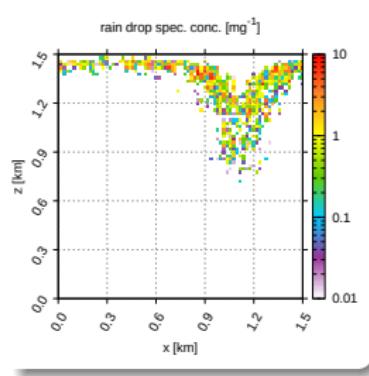
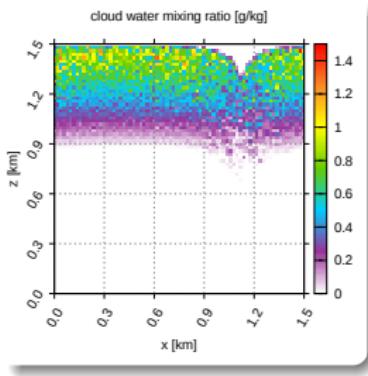
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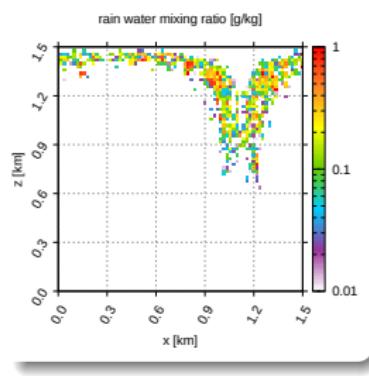
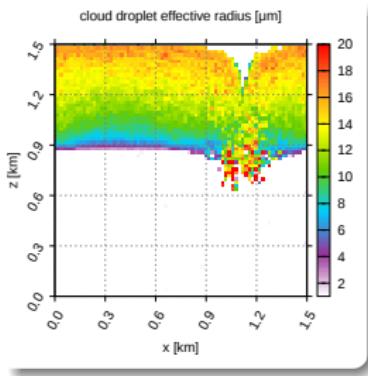
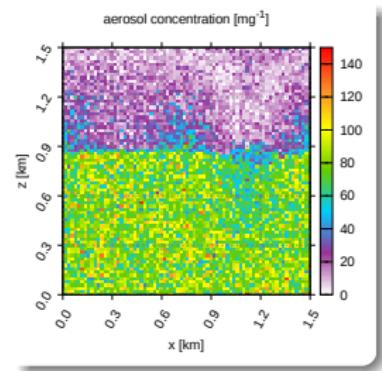
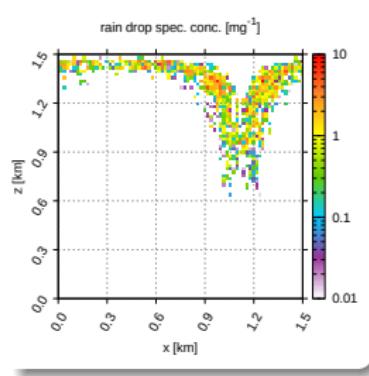
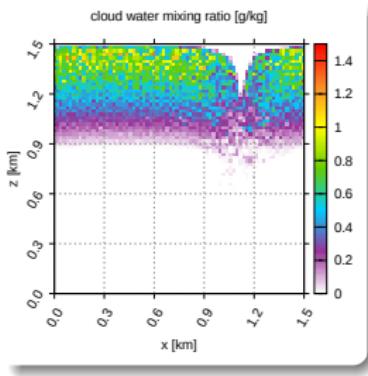
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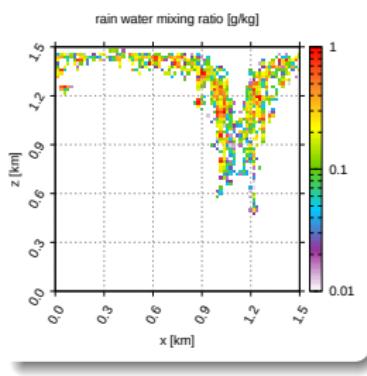
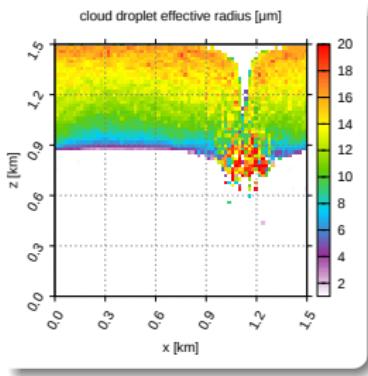
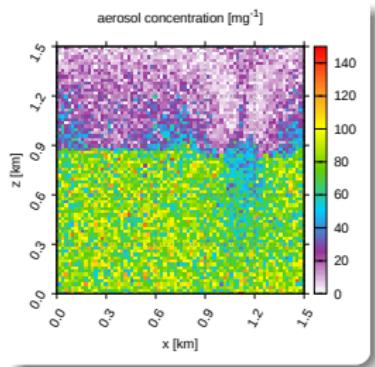
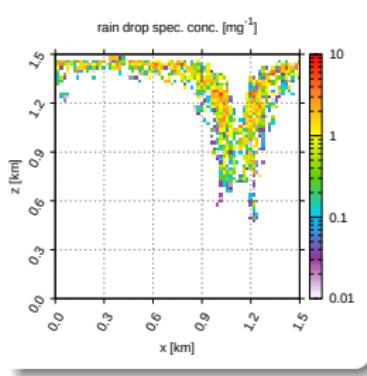
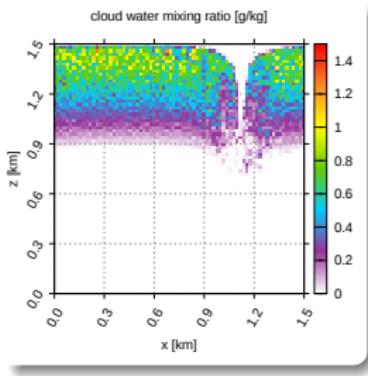
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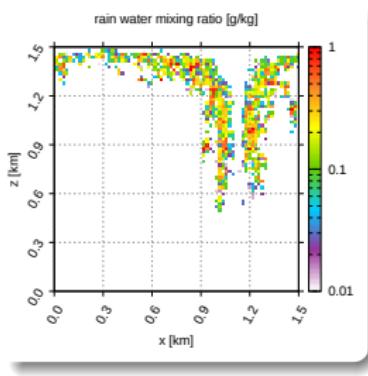
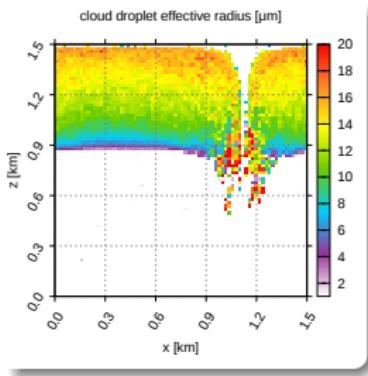
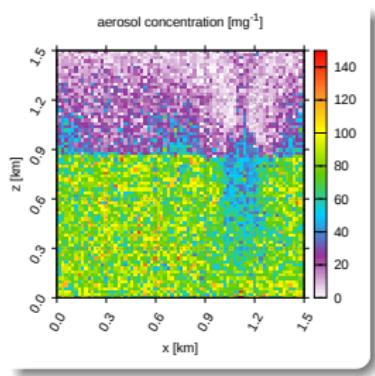
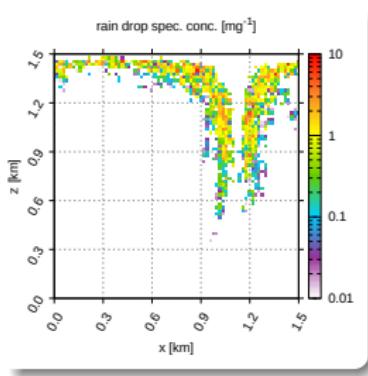
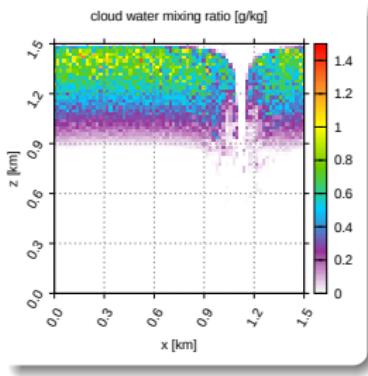
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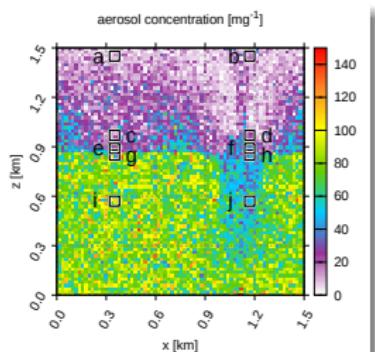
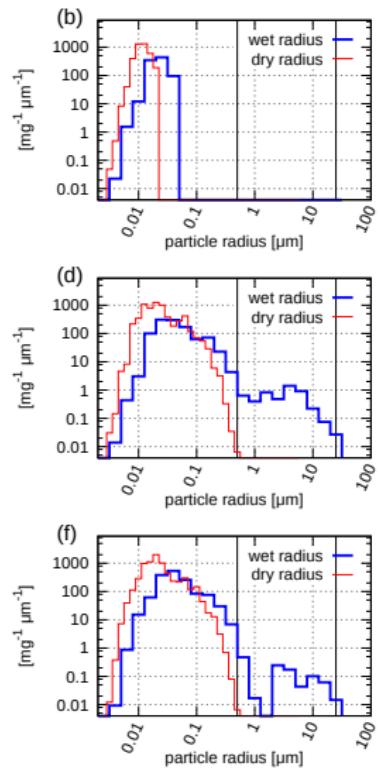
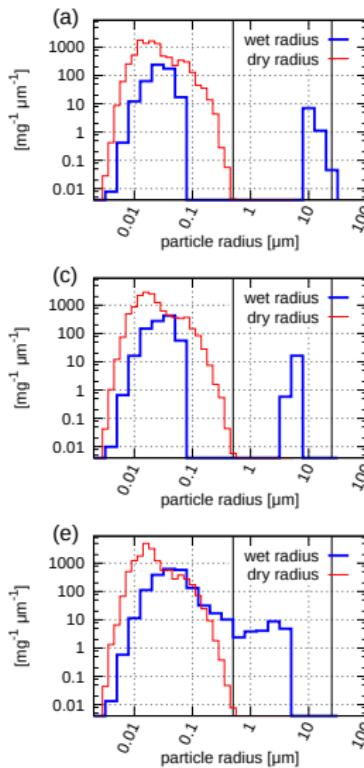
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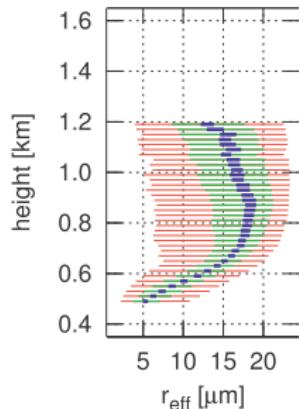


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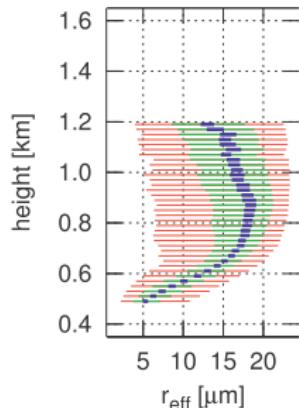
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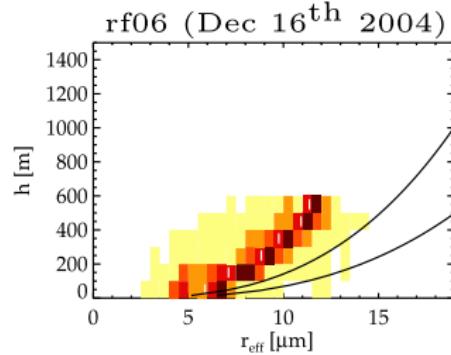
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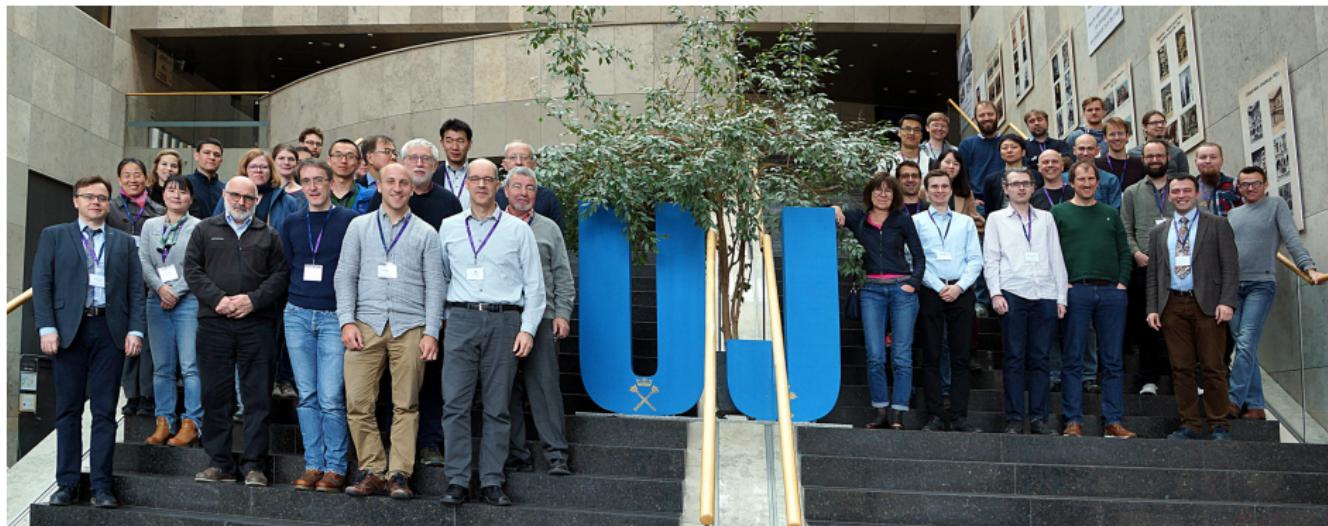
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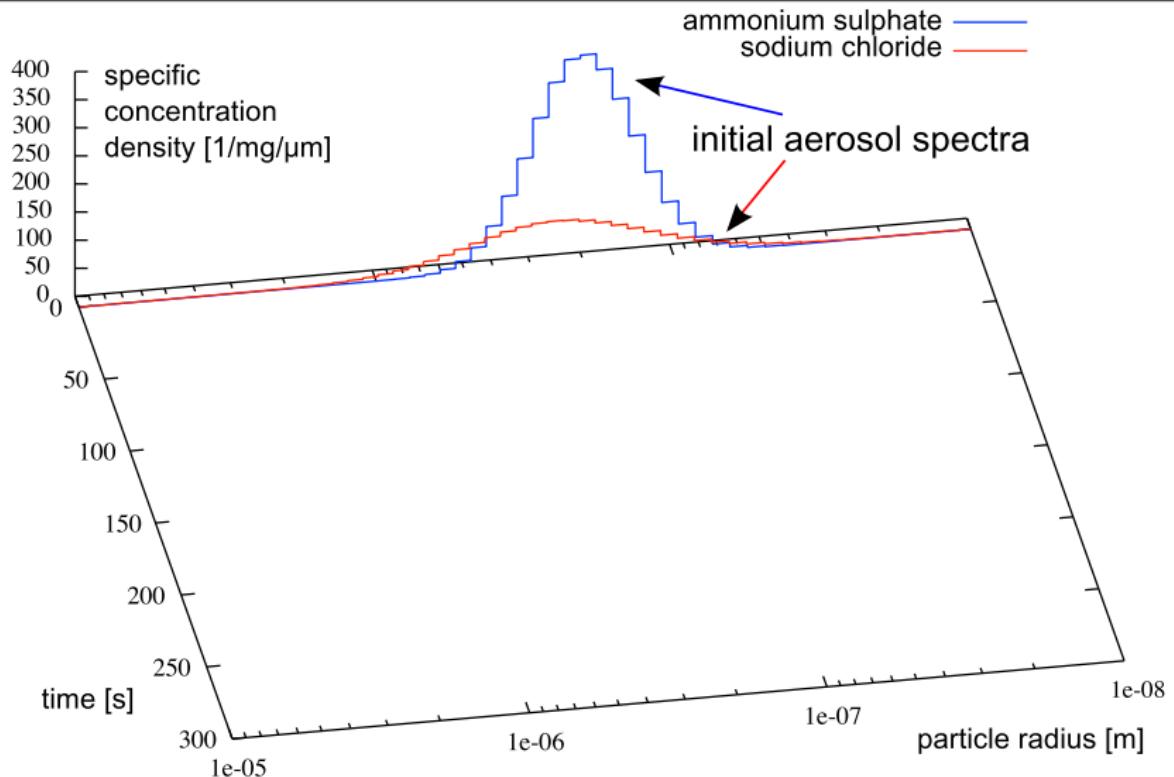


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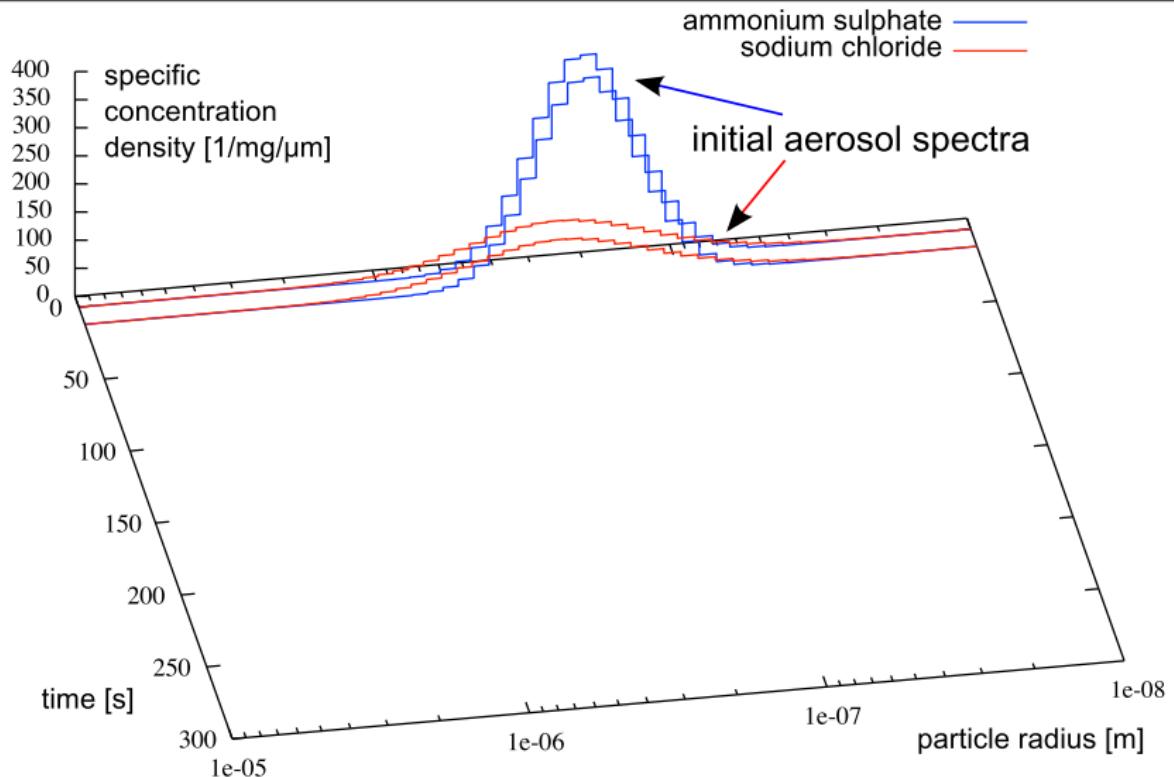
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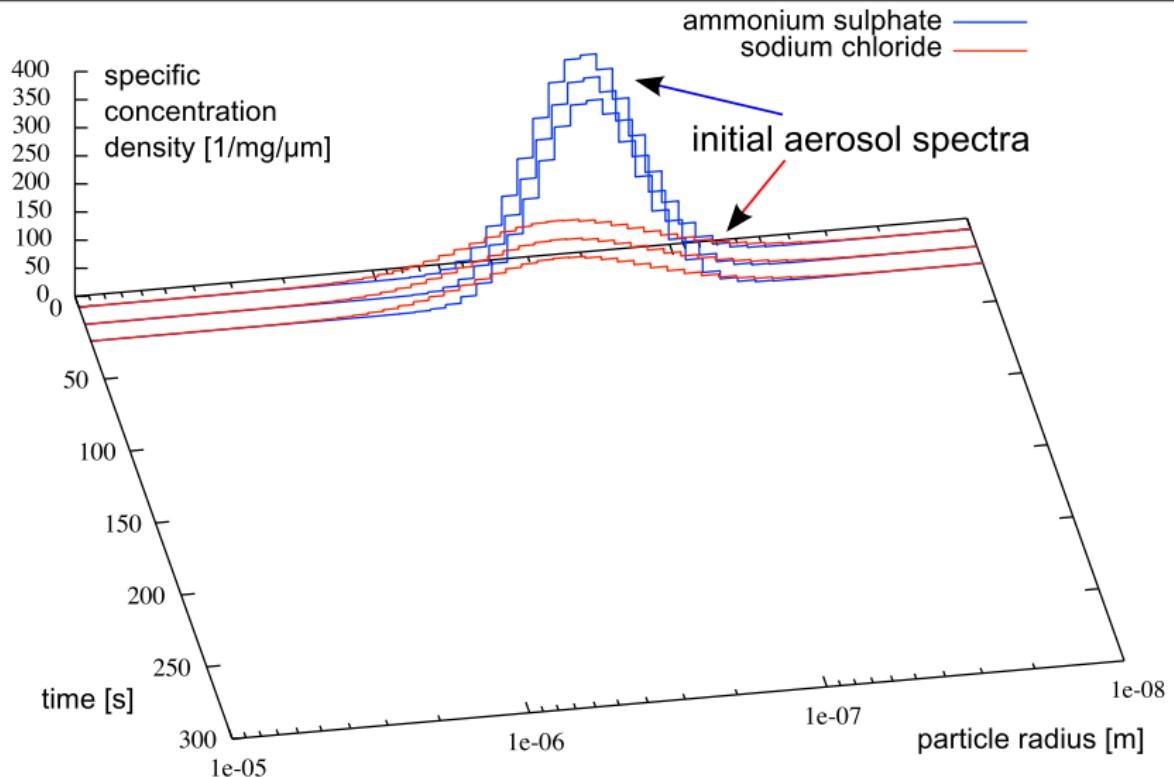
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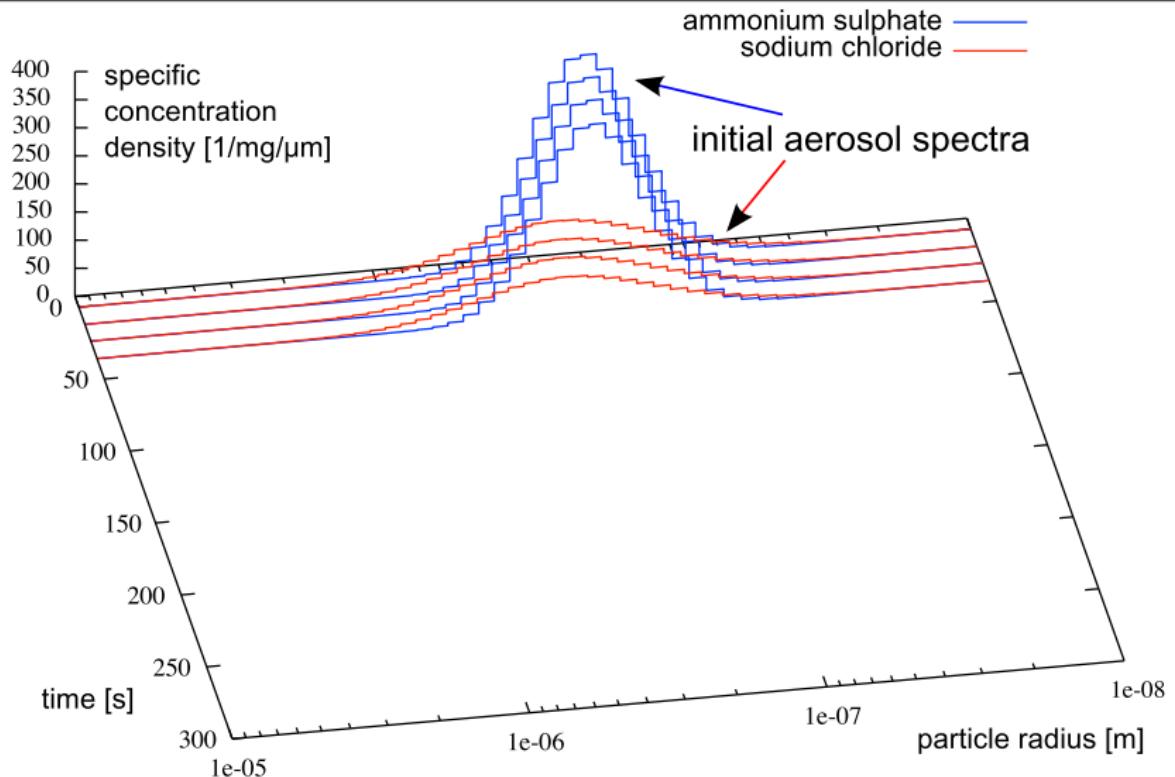
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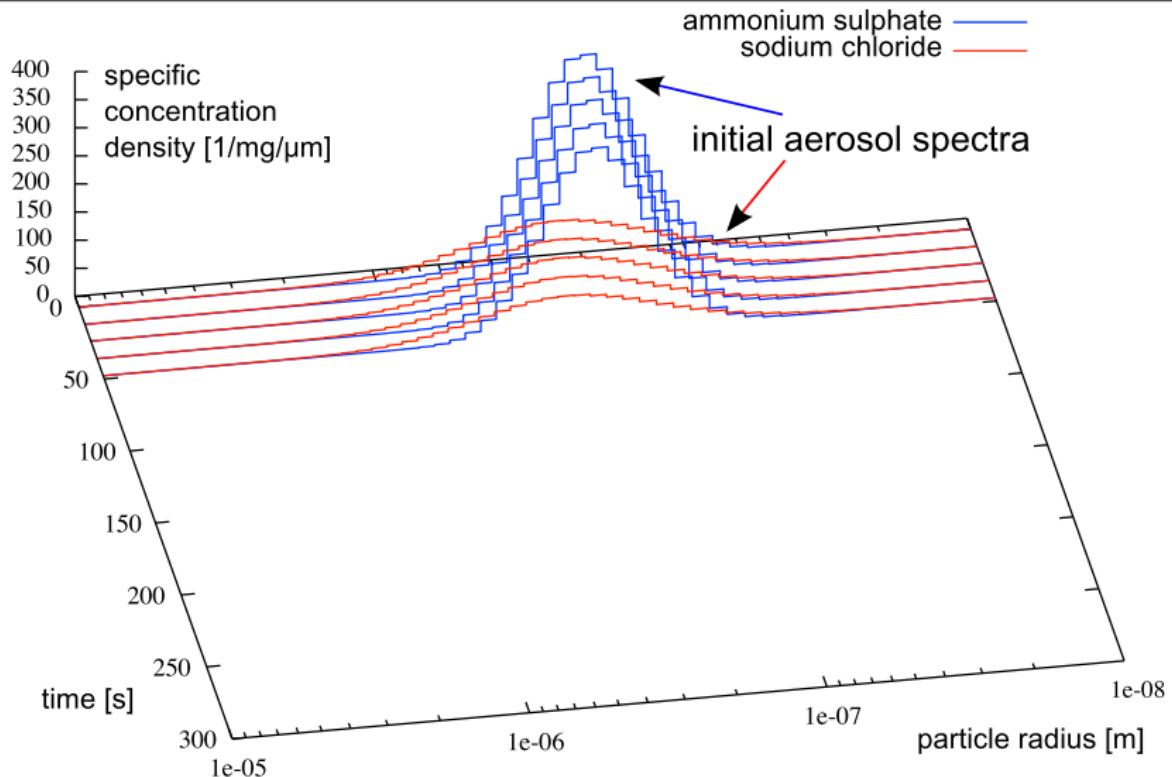
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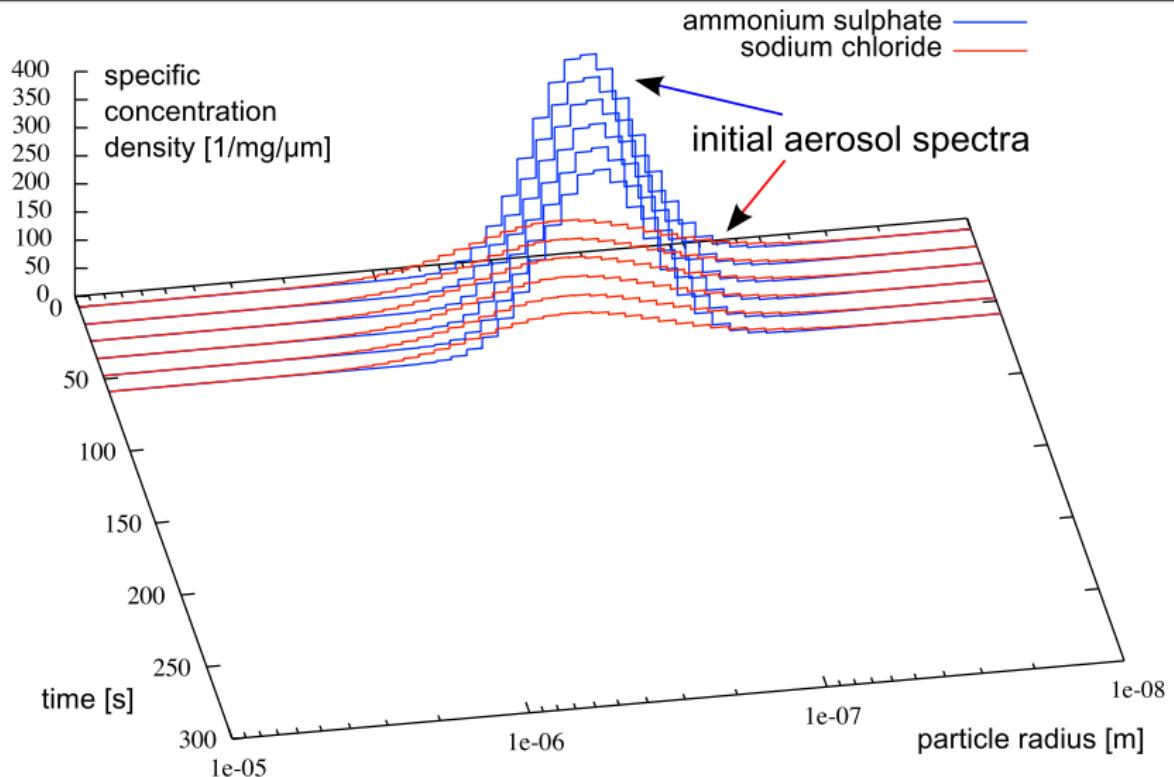
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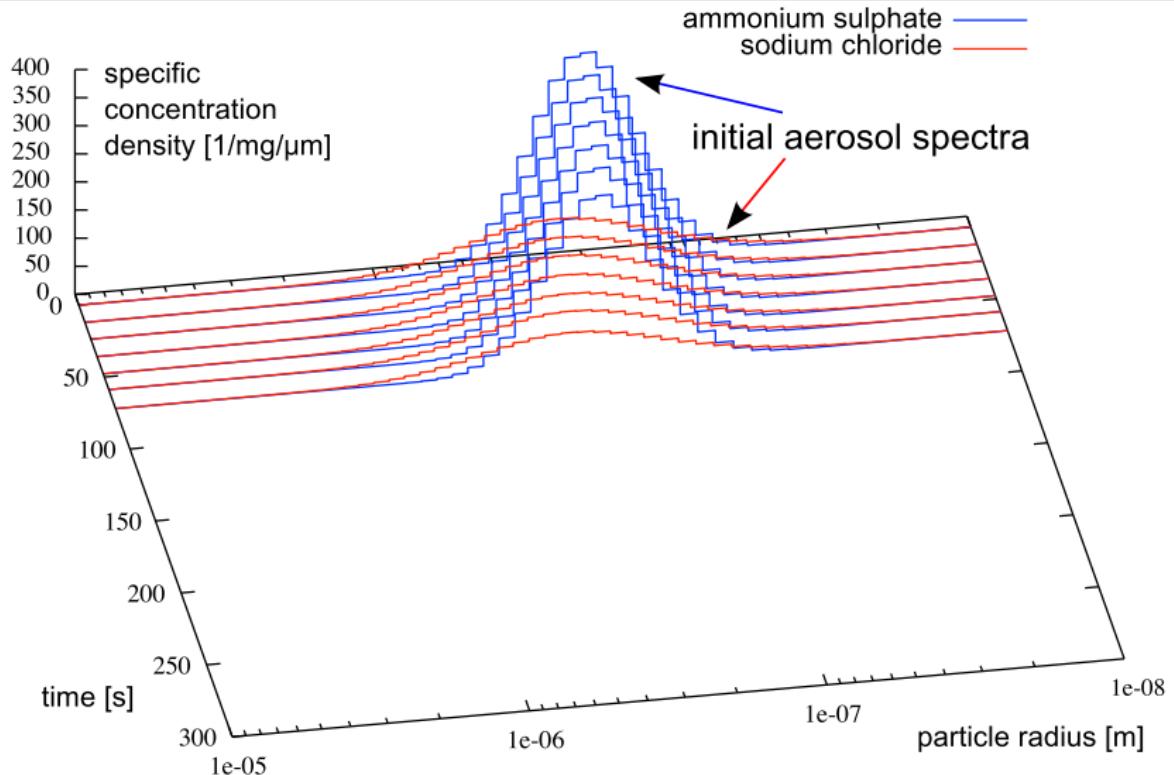
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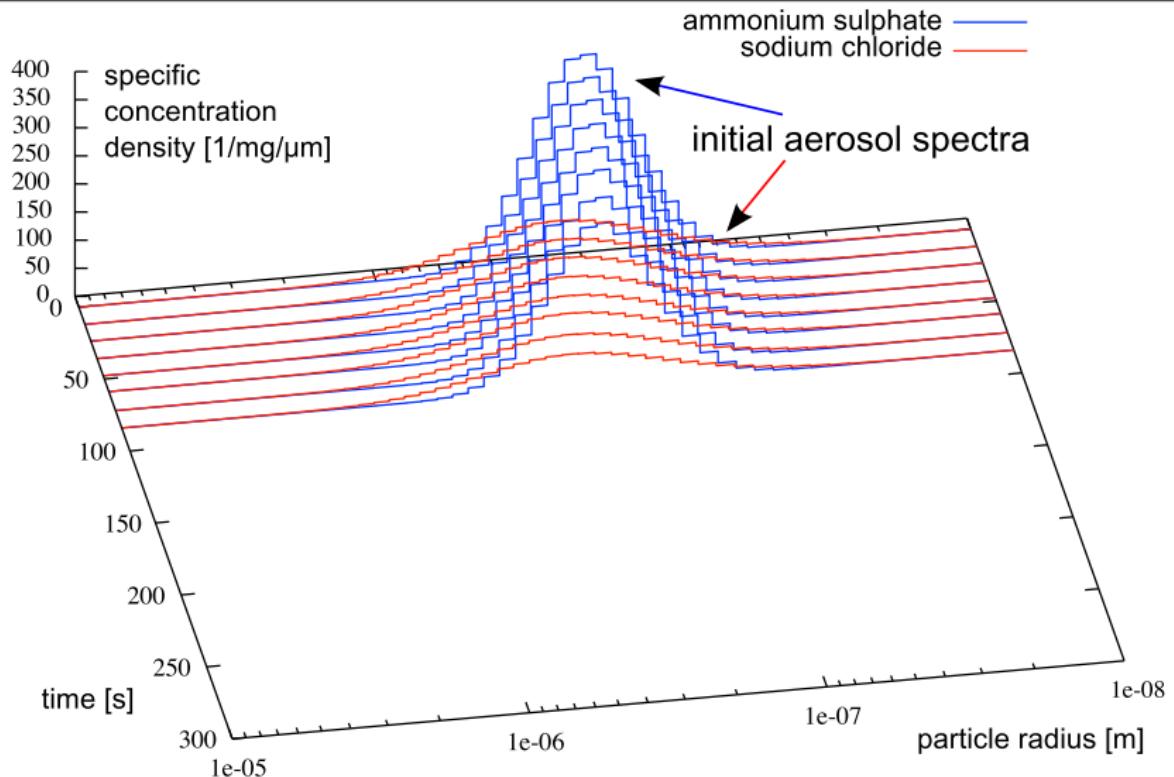
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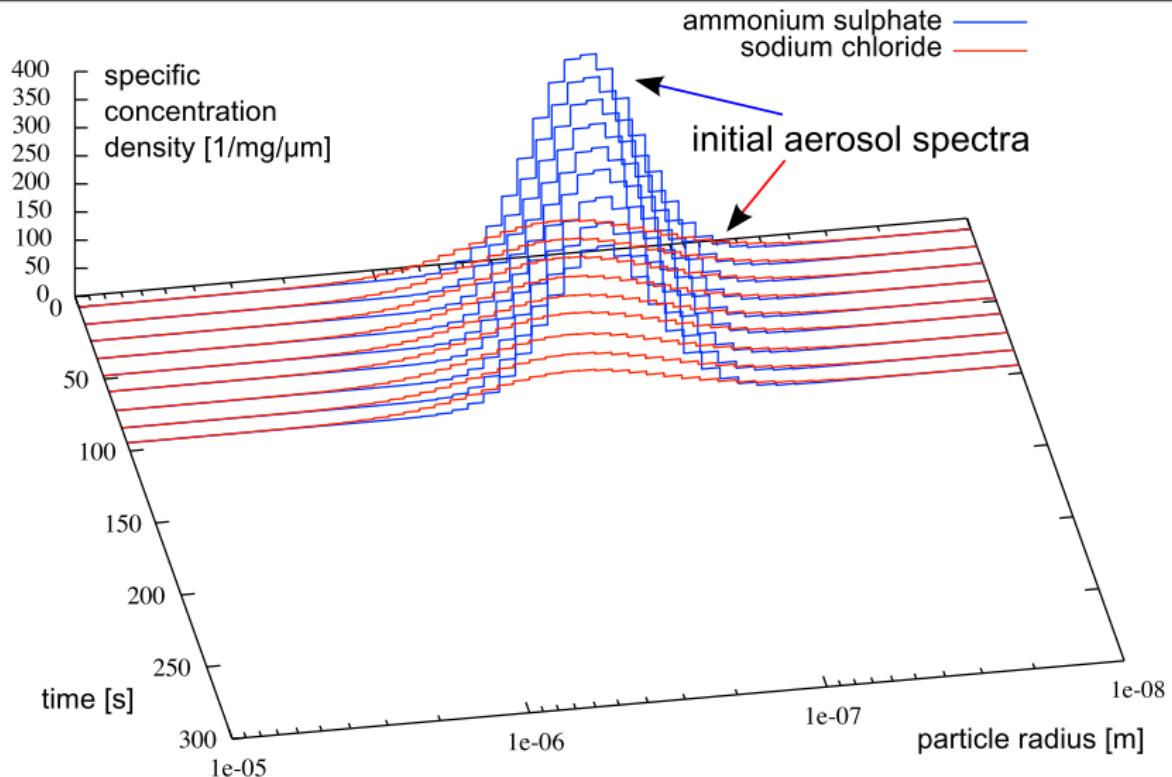
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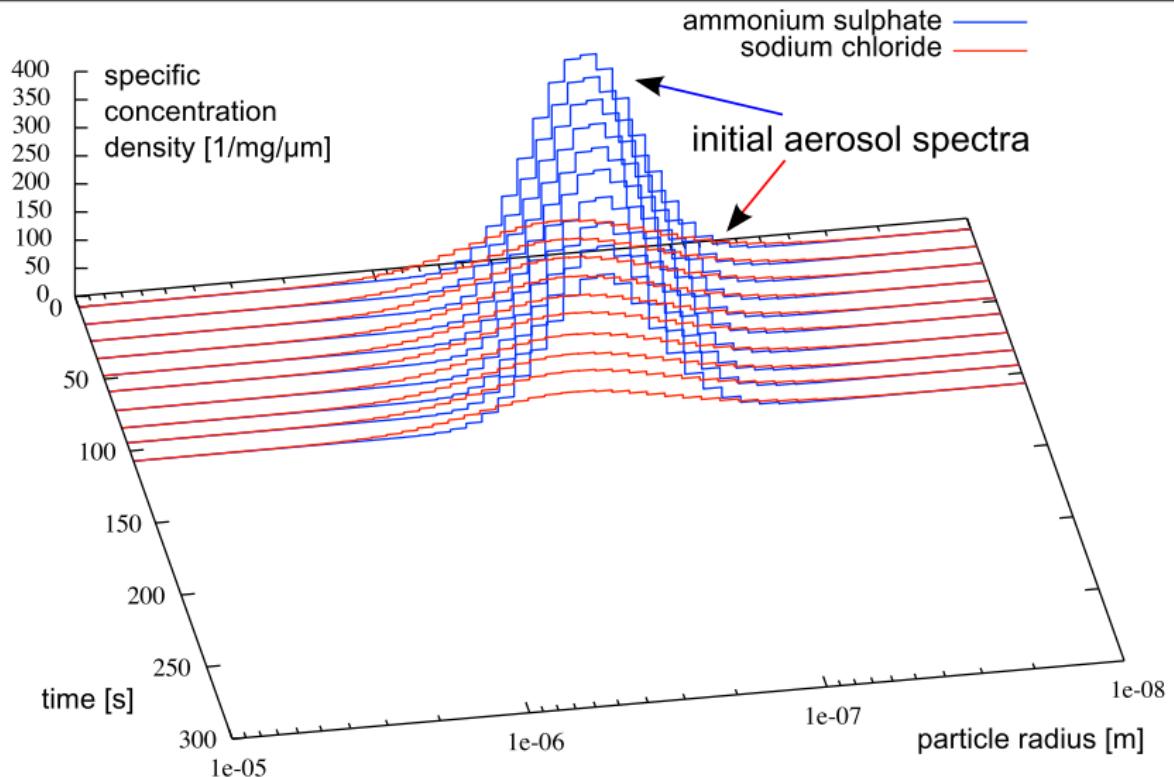
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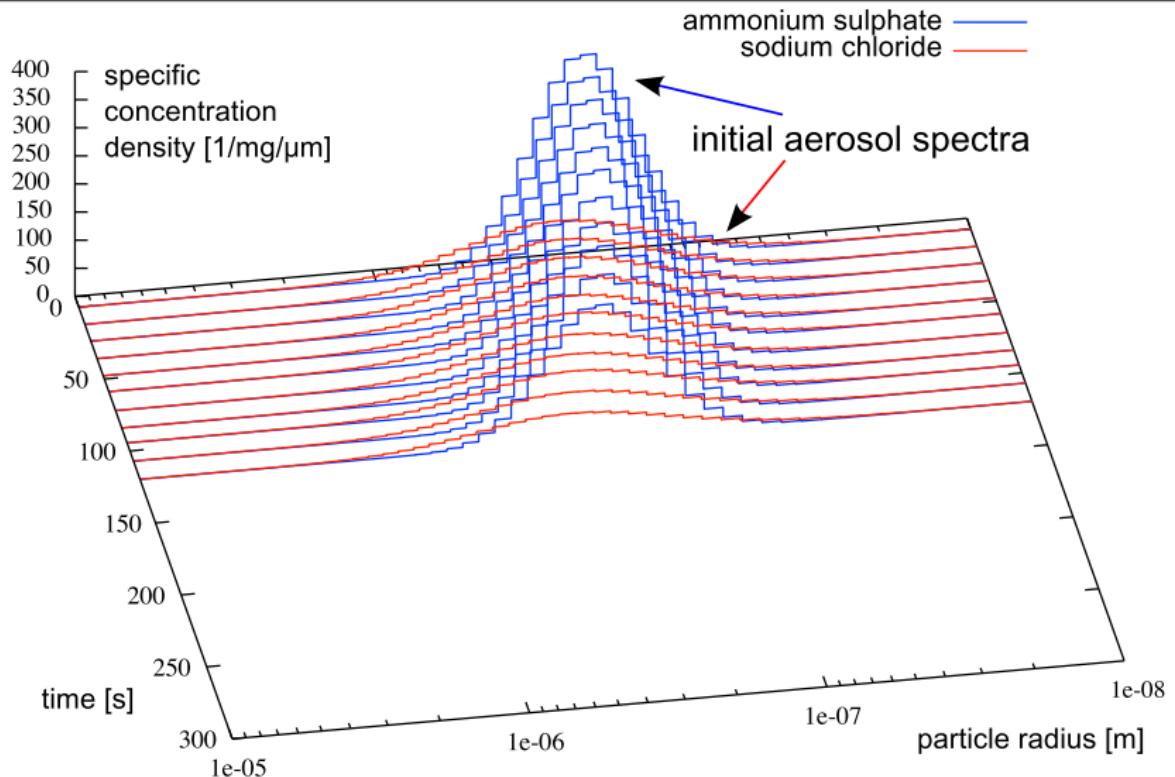
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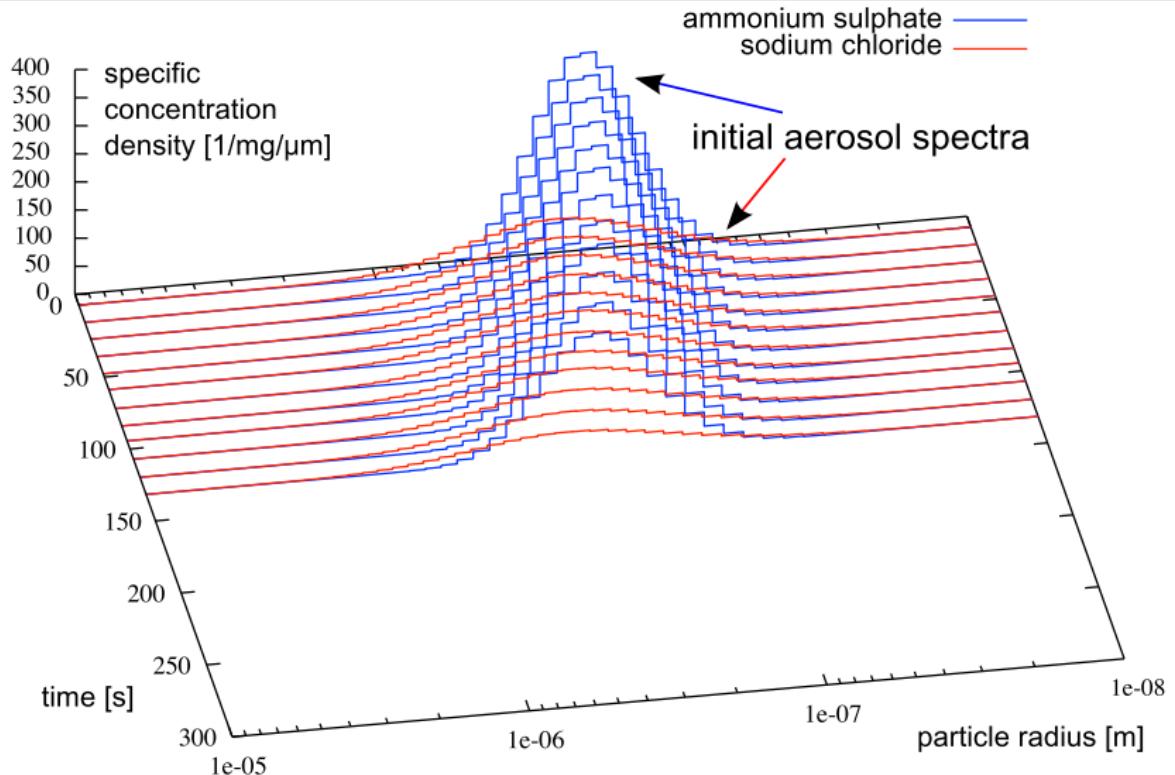
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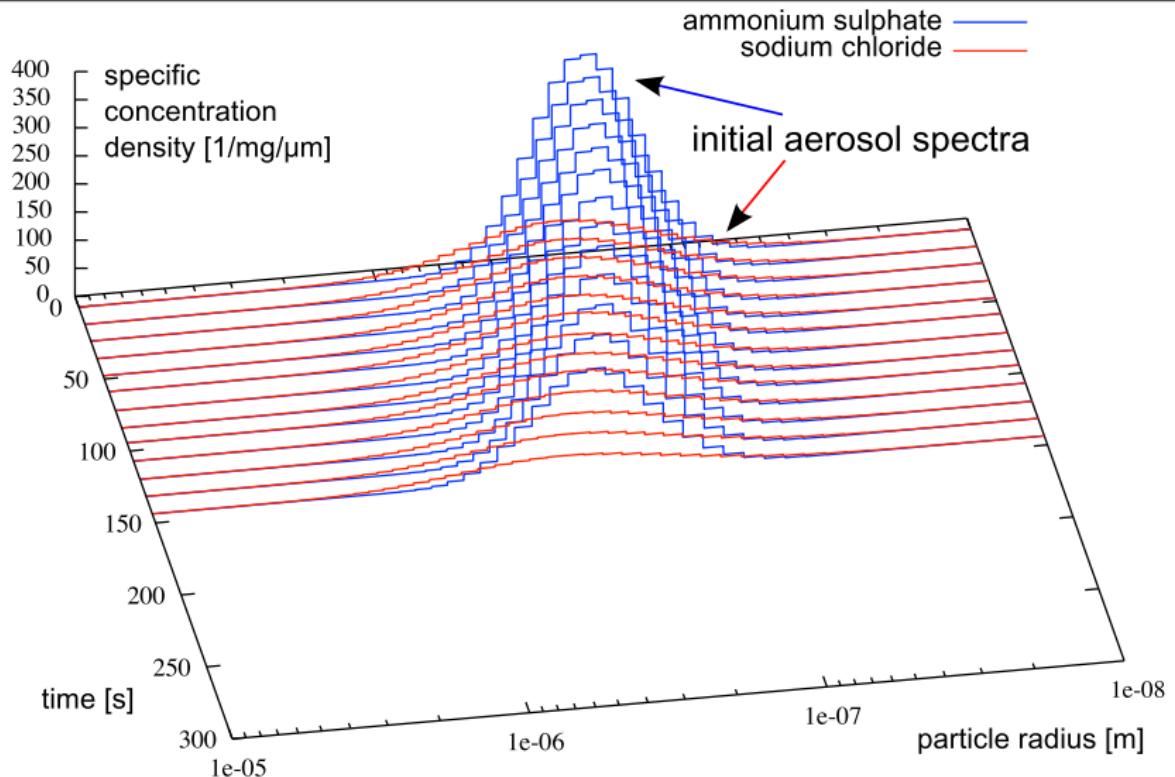
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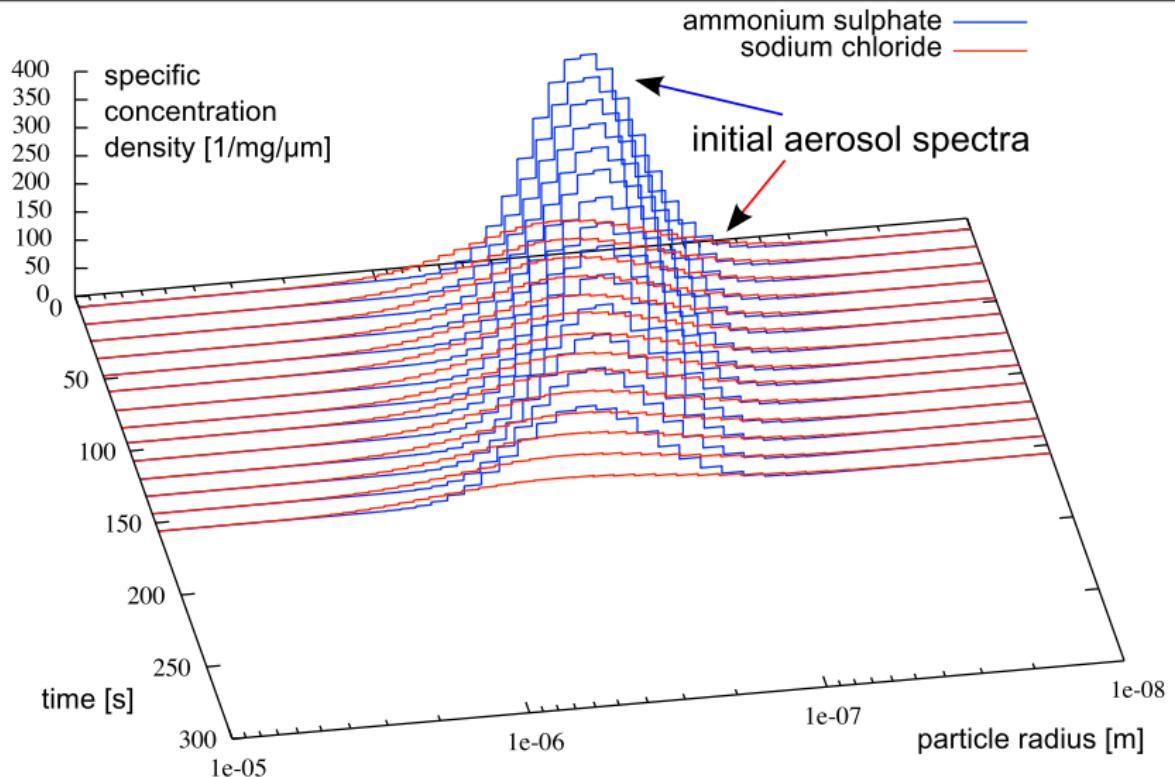
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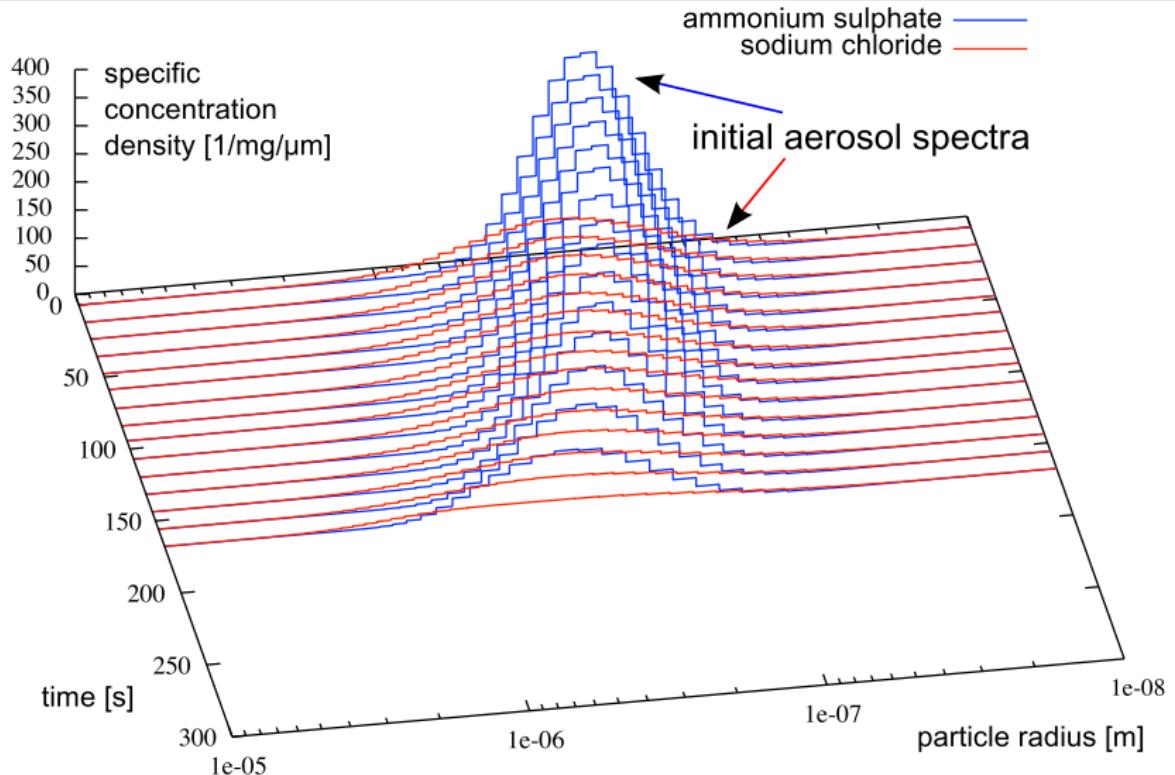
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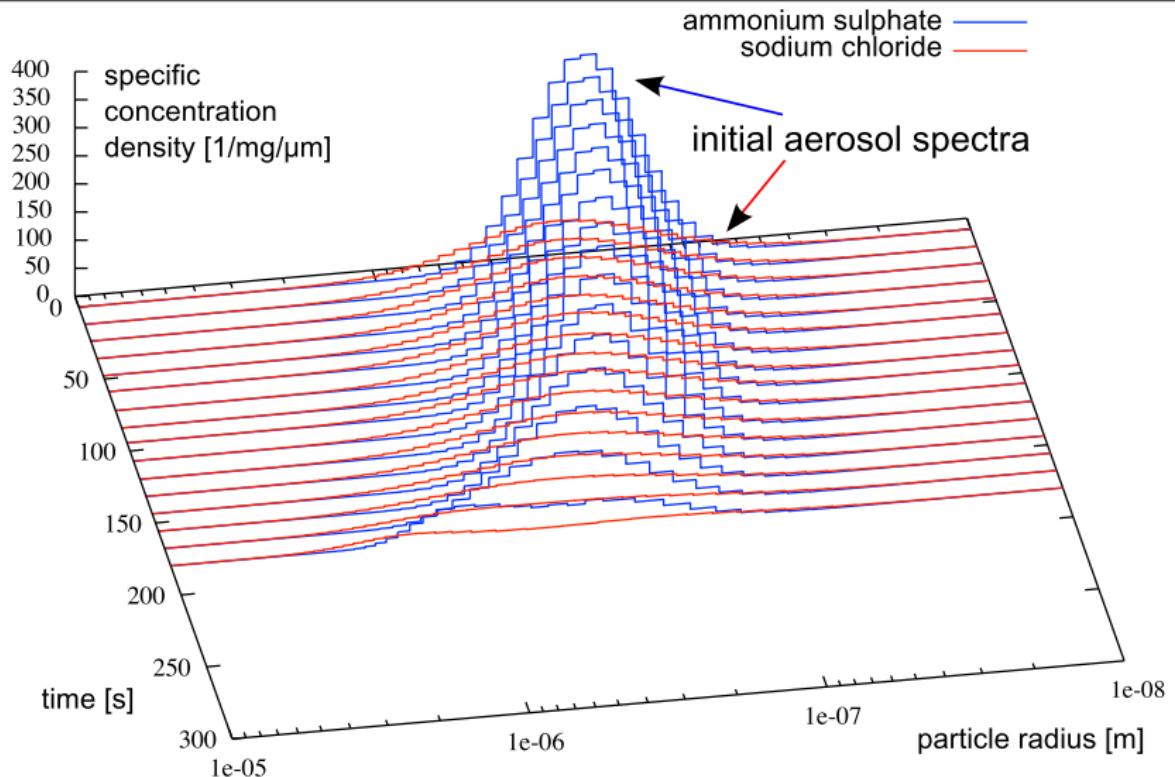
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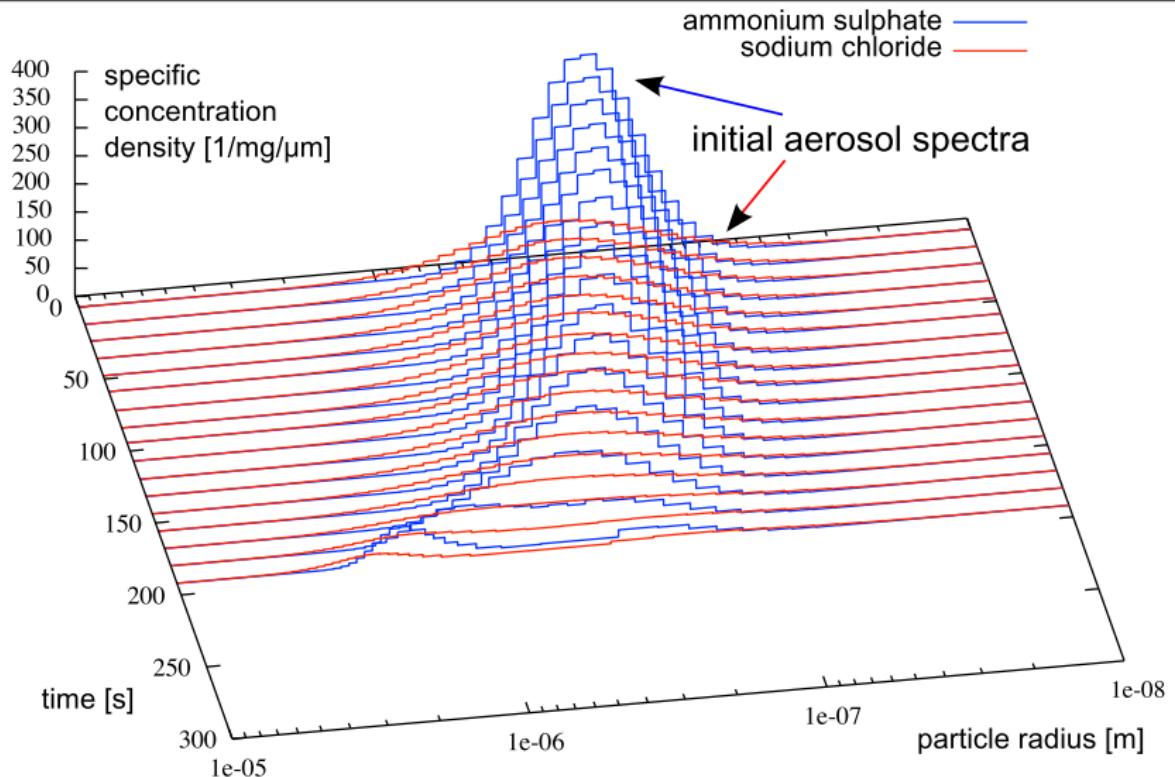
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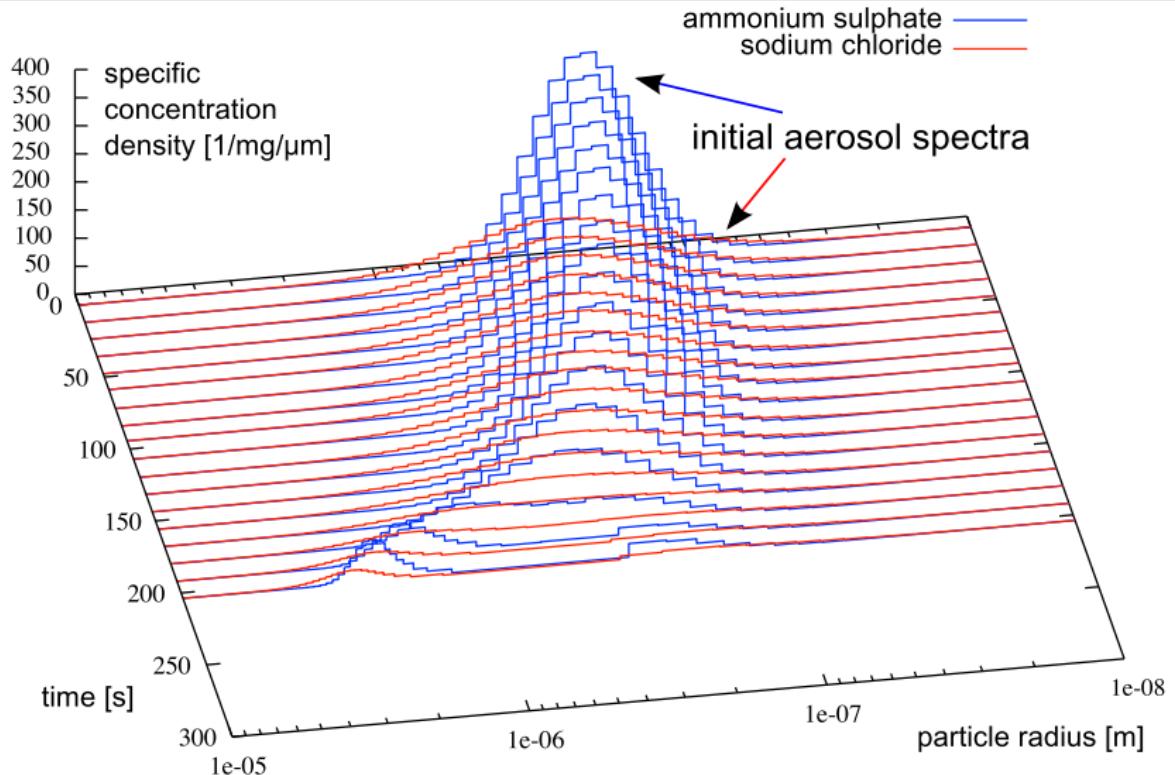
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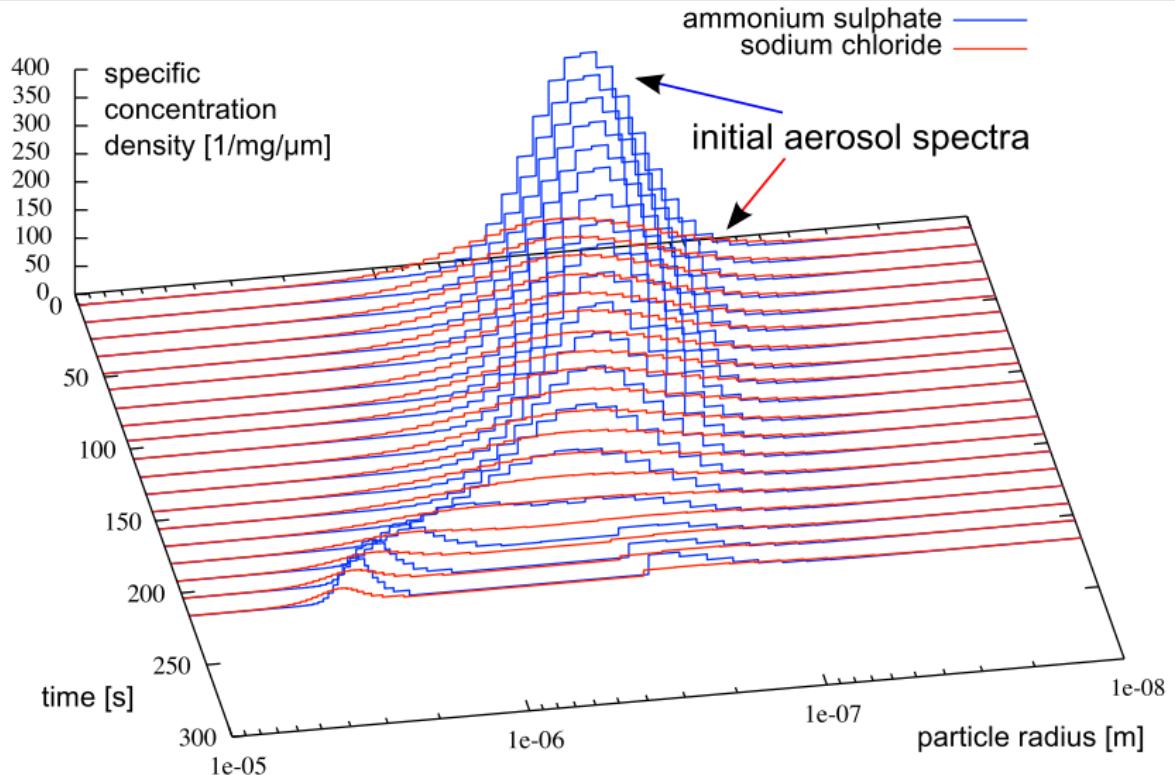
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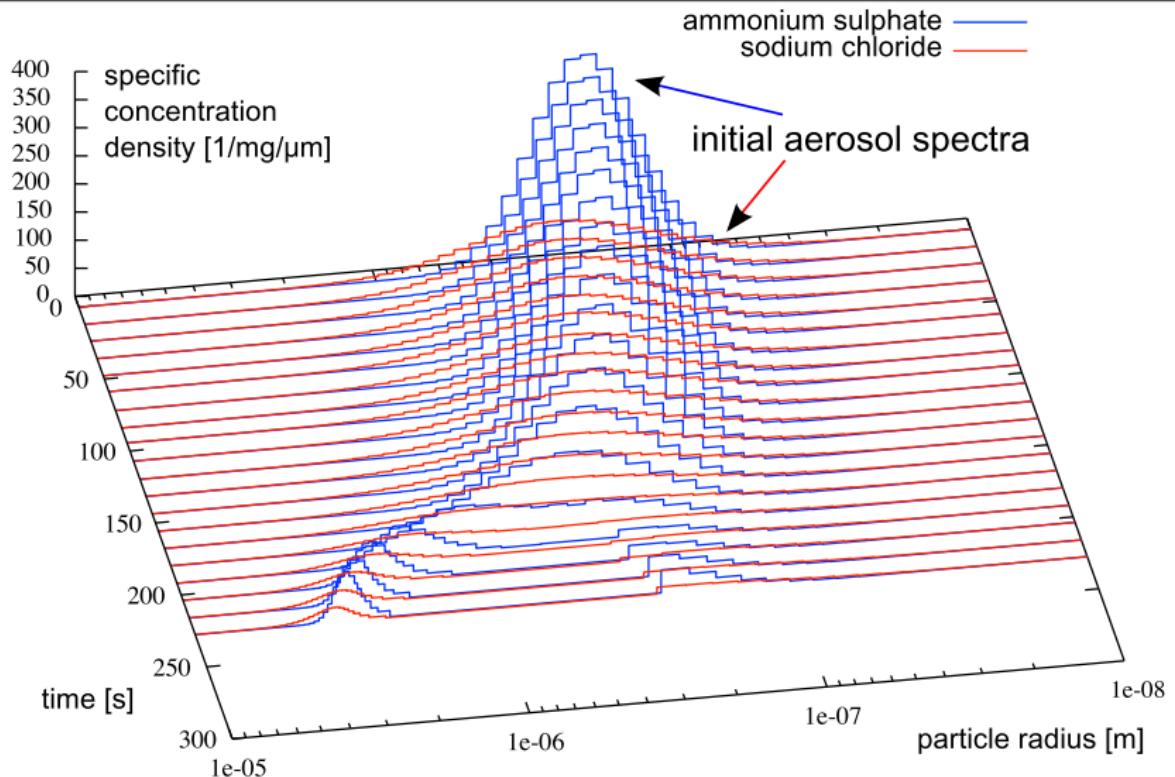
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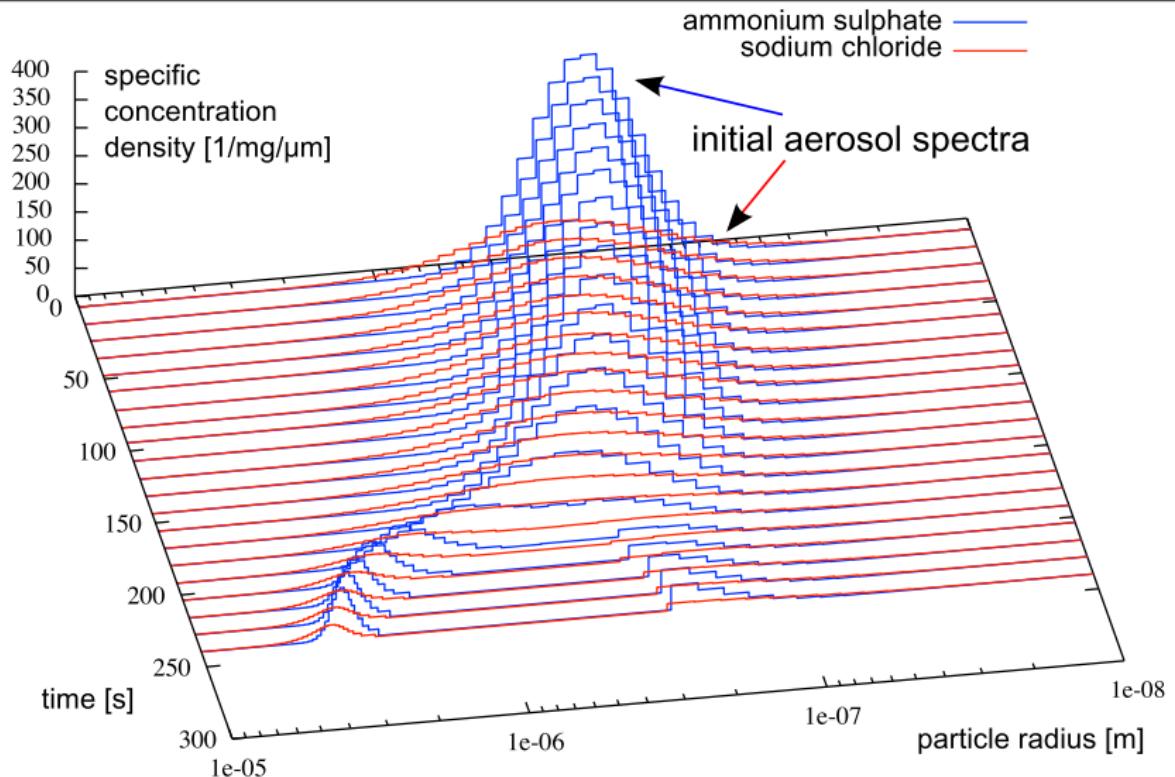
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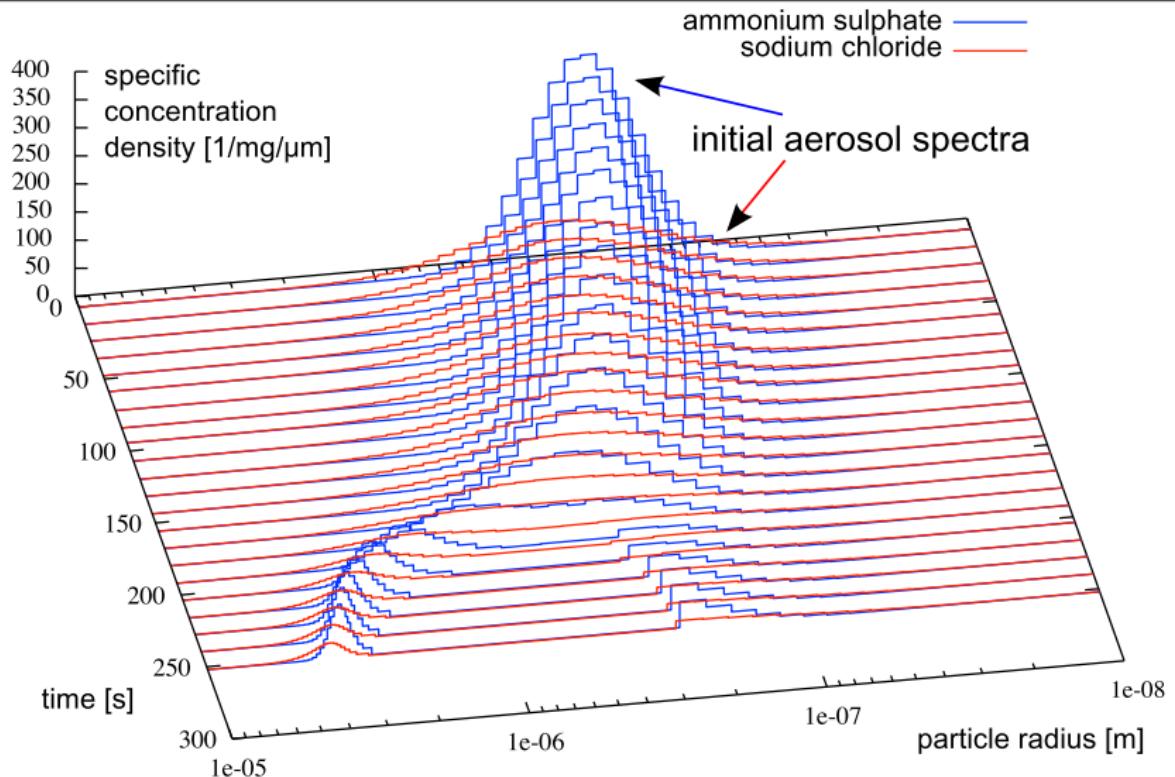
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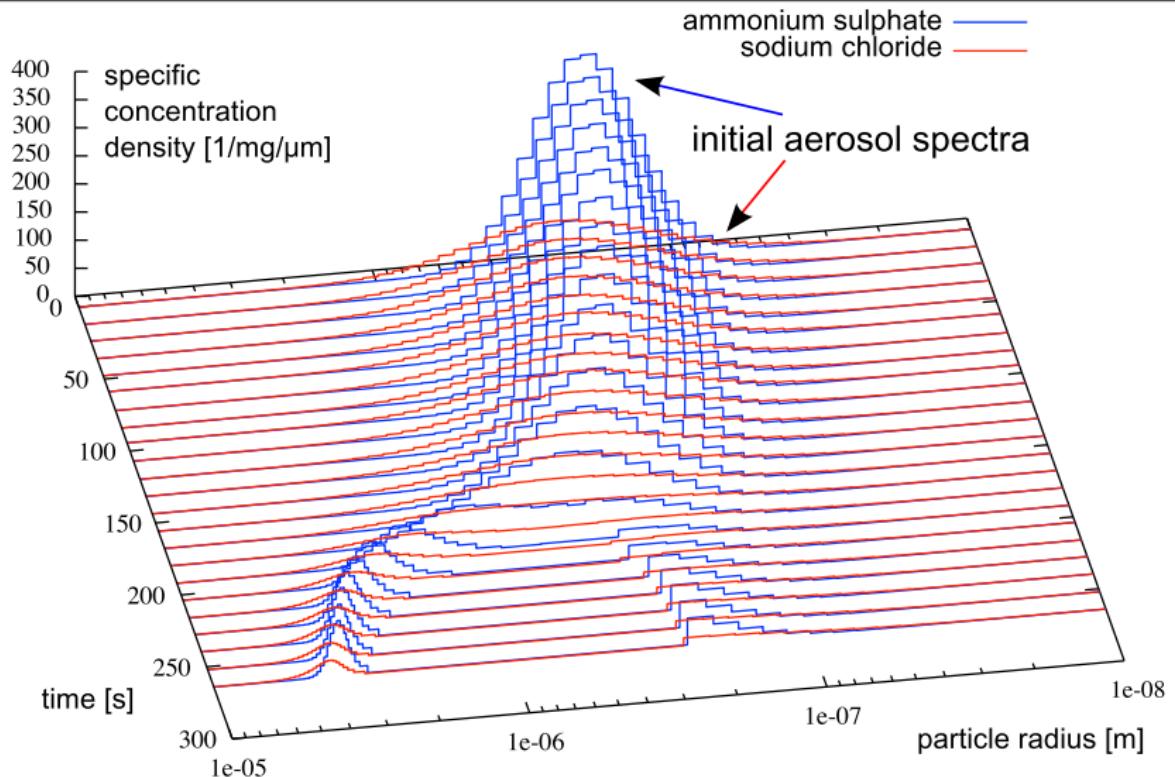
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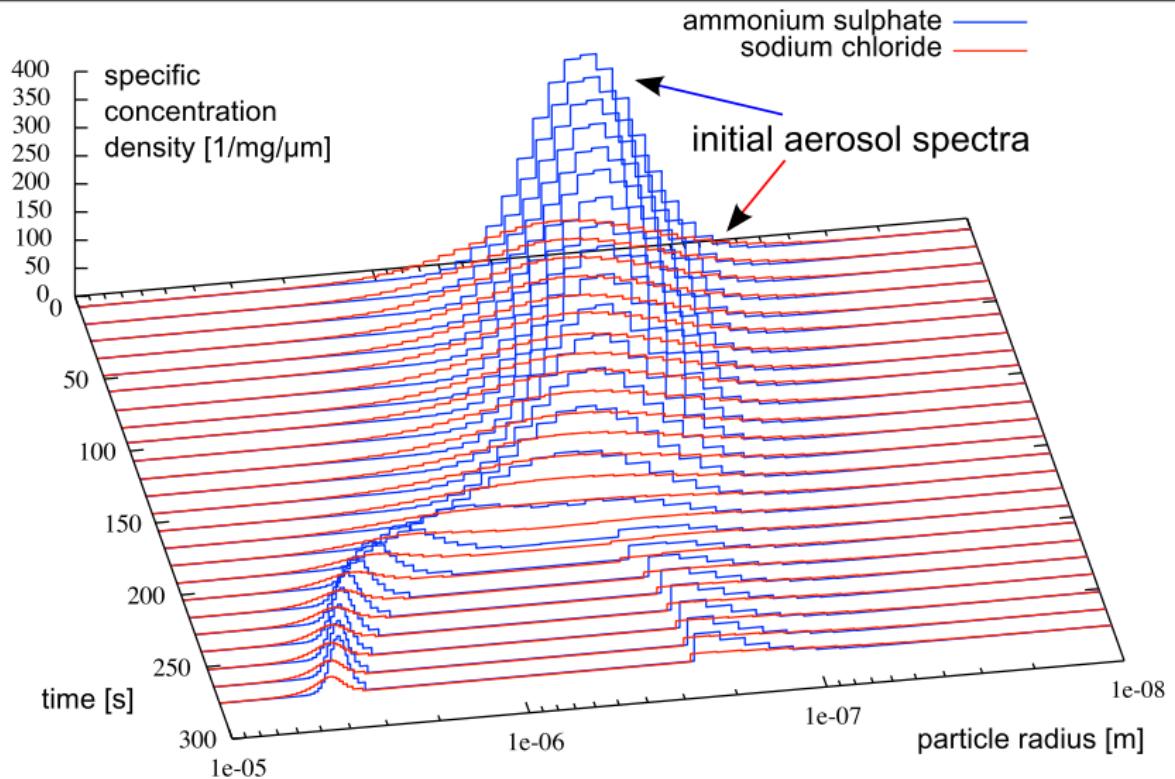
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