

# **Particle-based cloud microphysics: rationale, state of the art and challenges**

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- ❑ ca. 40 000 students, 7000 staff (4000 acad.), 16 faculties
- ❑ bilateral agreement with U. Pécs signed in 2004

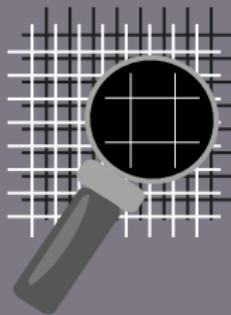
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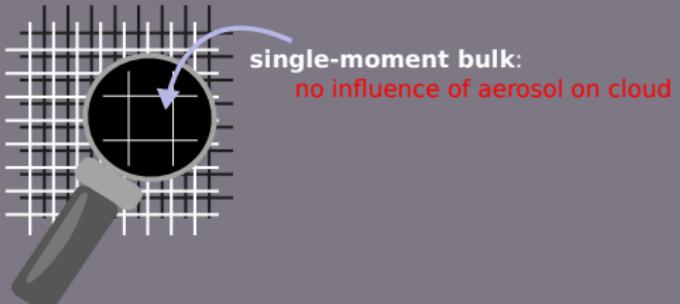


"Cloud and ship. Ukraine, Crimea, Black sea, view from Ai-Petri mountain"  
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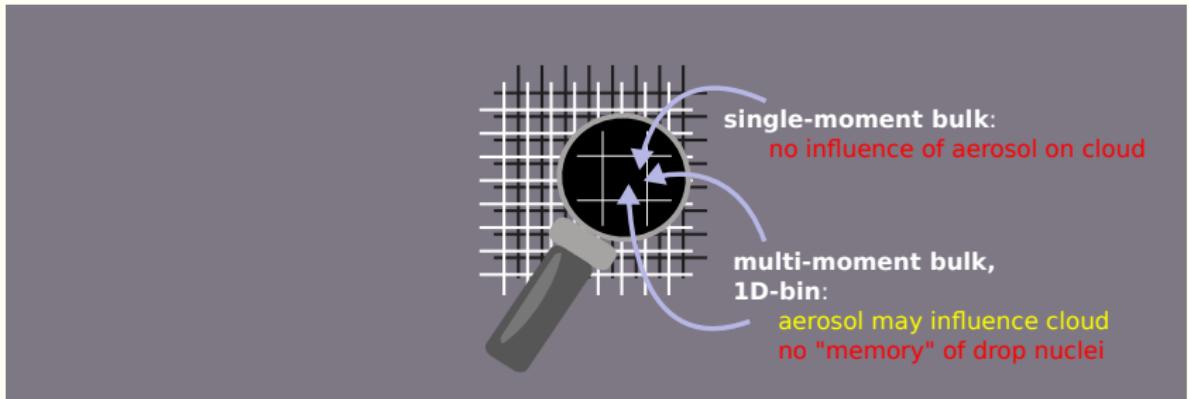
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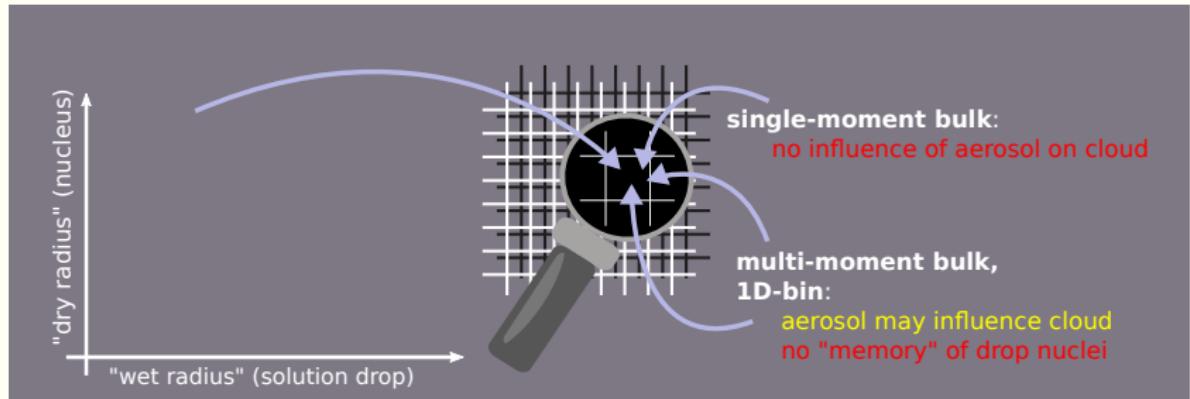
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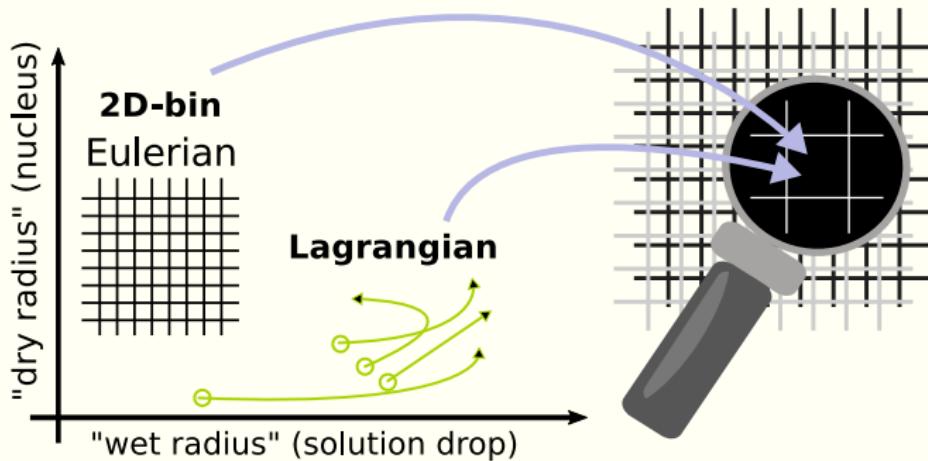
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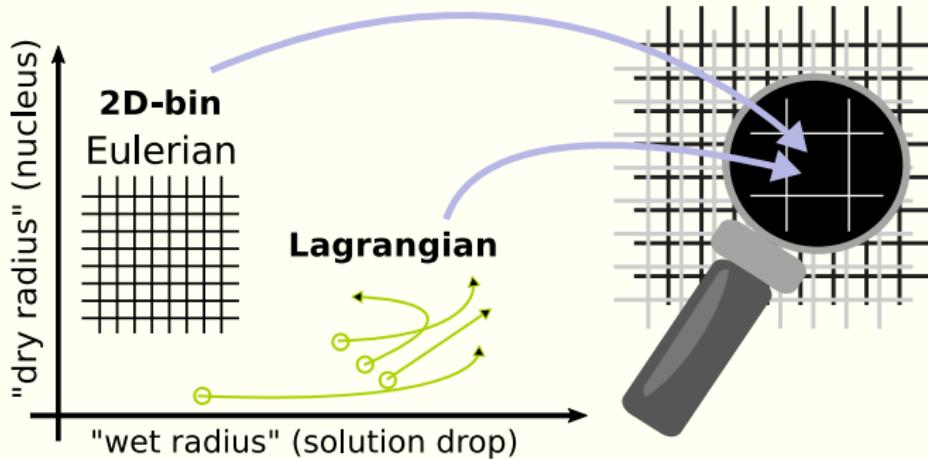
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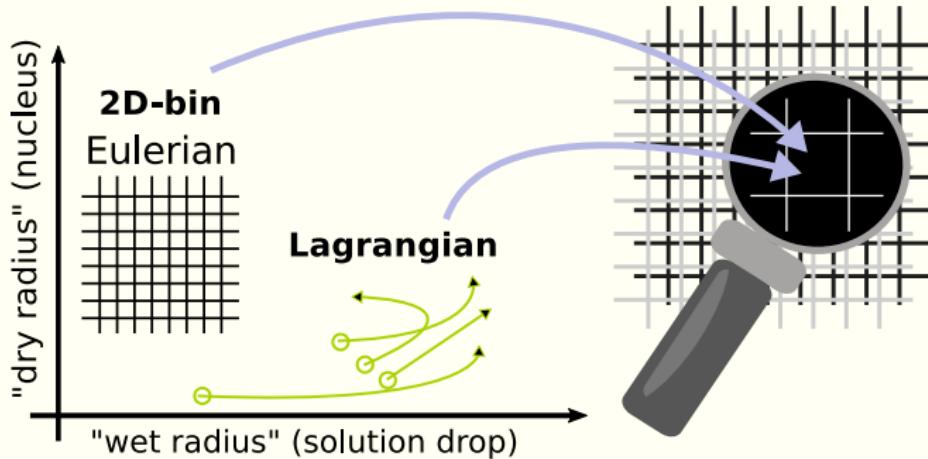
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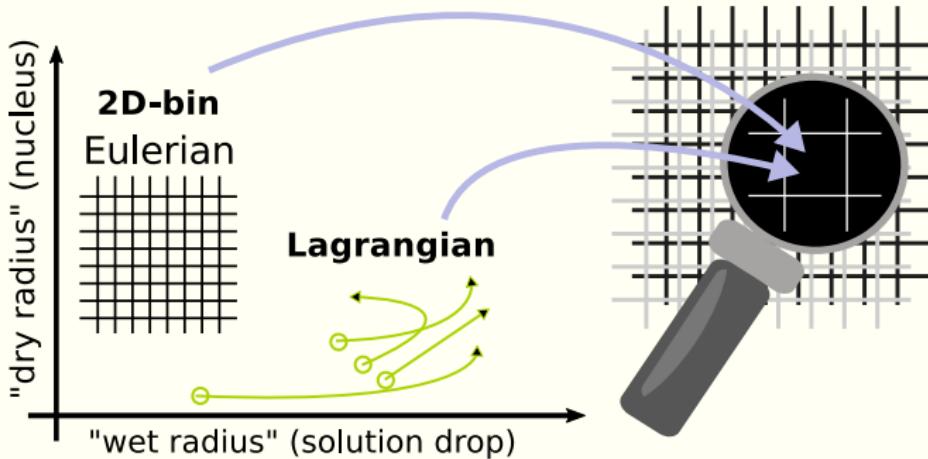
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- ☒ LES + Lagrangian-in-space + coalescence
  - ~~ particle-based/super-droplet  $\mu$ -physics (00-ties onwards: Shima, ...)

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## Pioneering warm-rain aerosol-cloud-interaction models:

Andrejczuk et al. 2010

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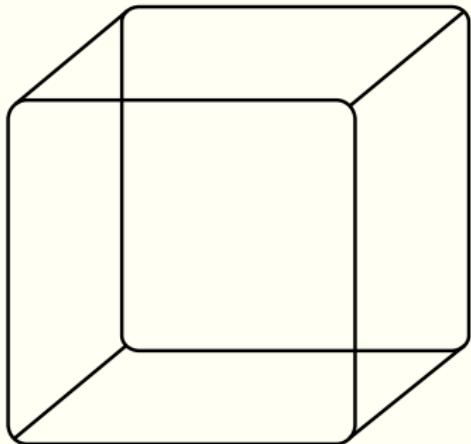
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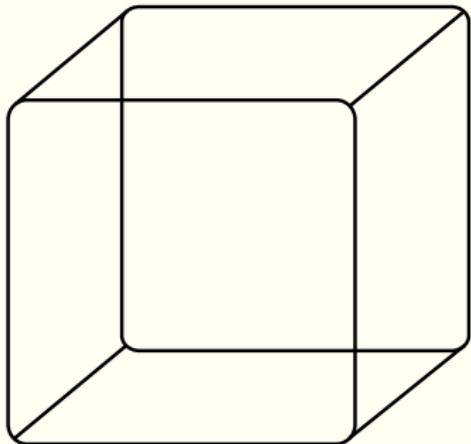
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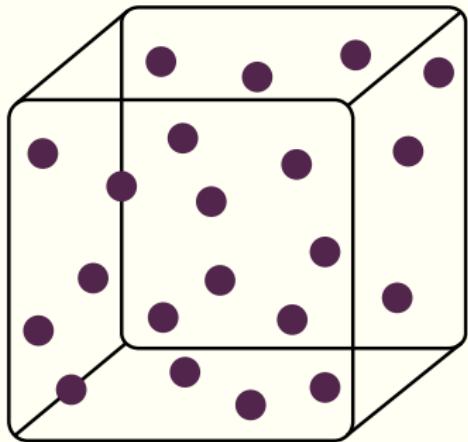
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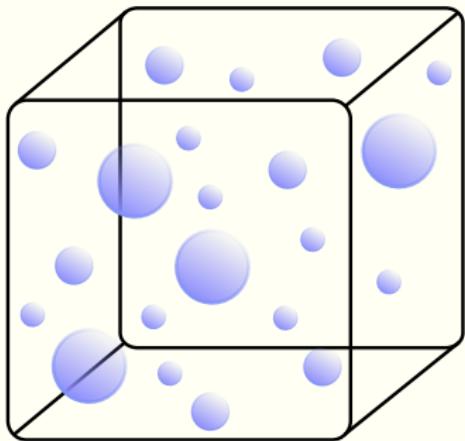


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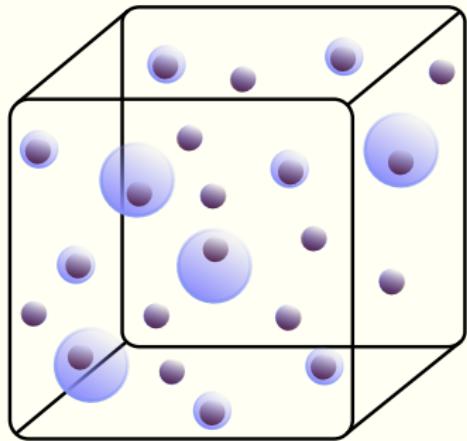


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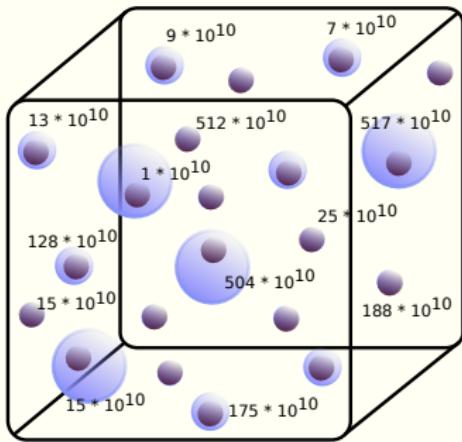


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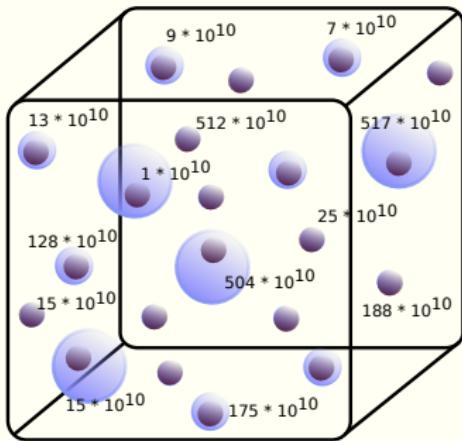


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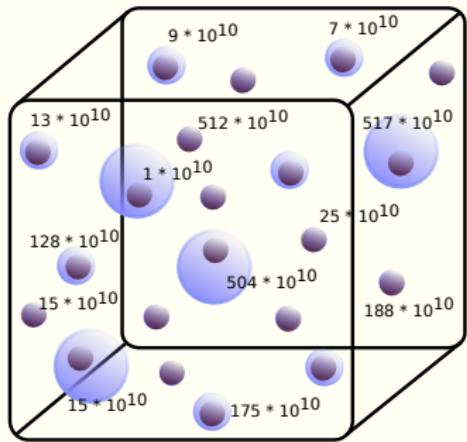


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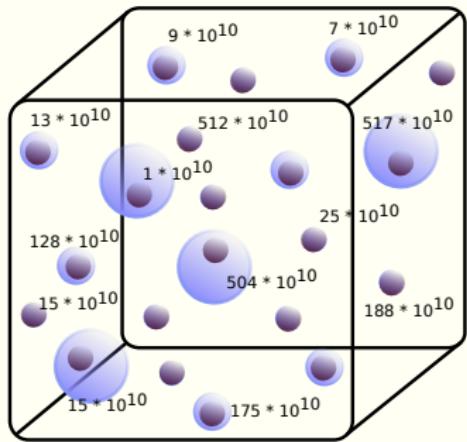
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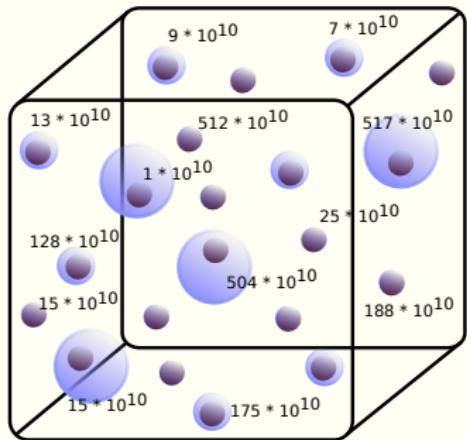
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challenges:

- ☒ scalability (cost vs. number of particles),
- ☒ super-particles “conservation” (coalescence!)

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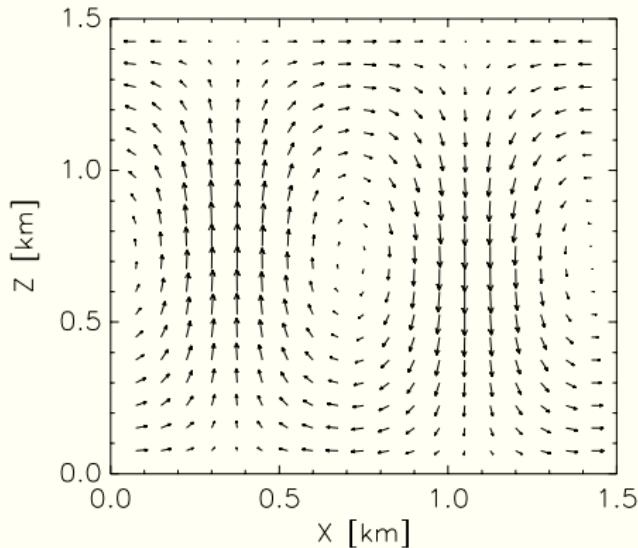
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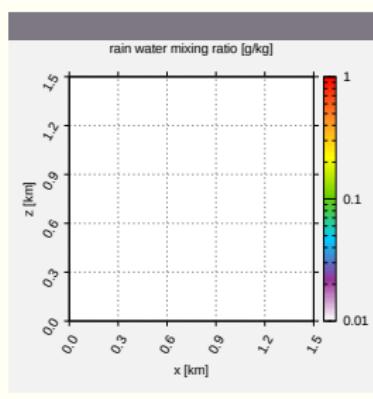
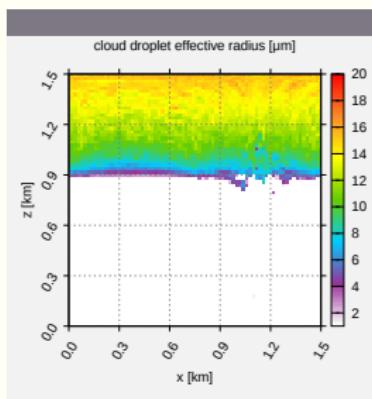
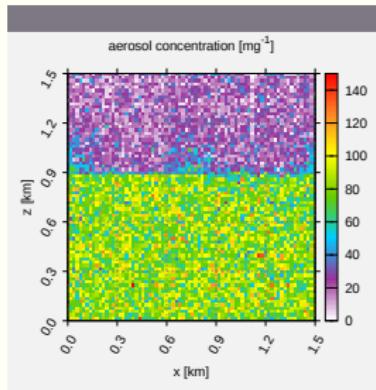
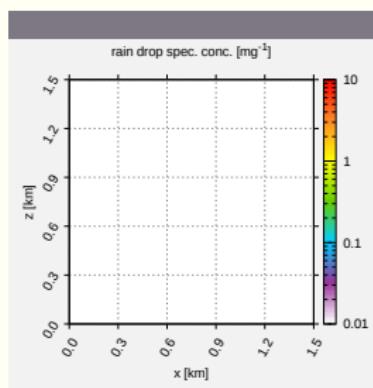
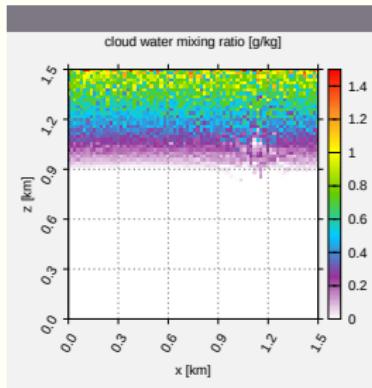
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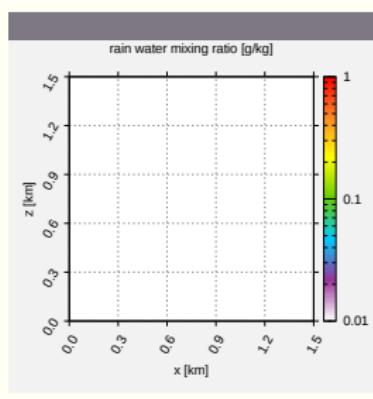
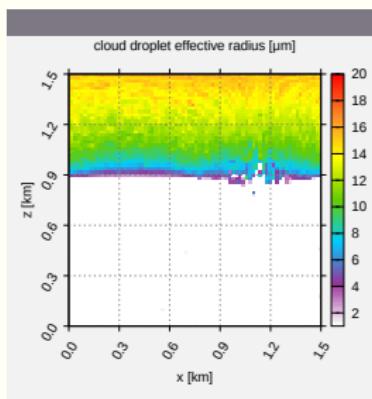
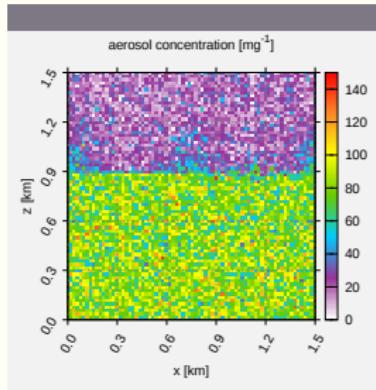
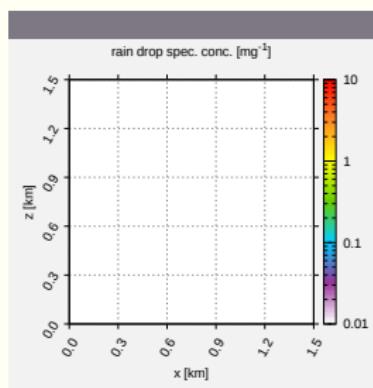
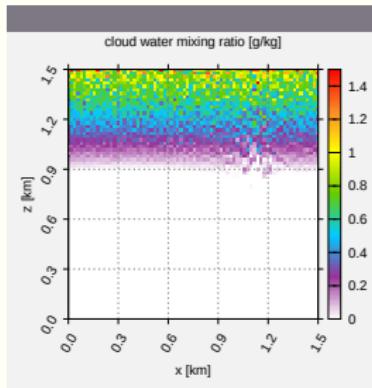
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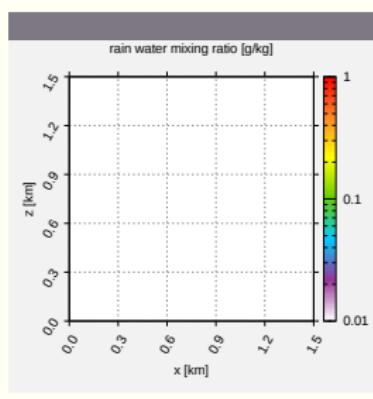
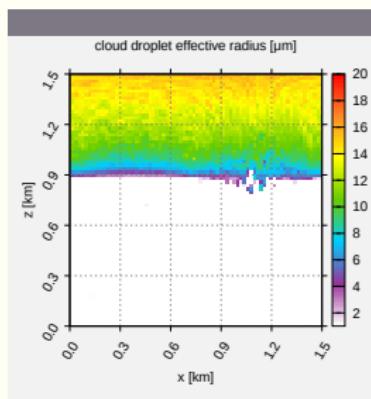
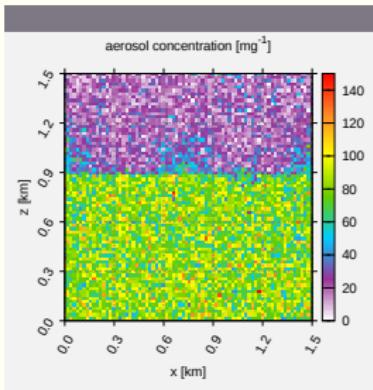
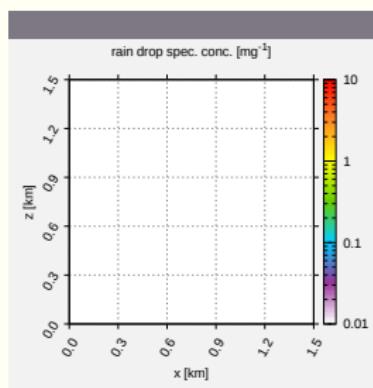
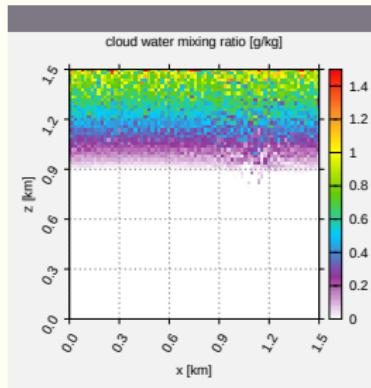
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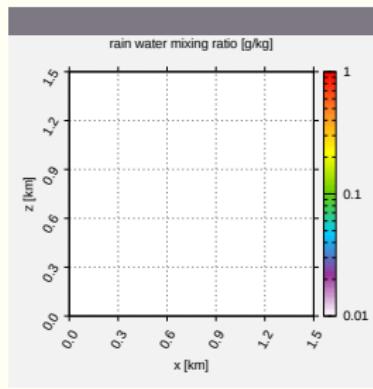
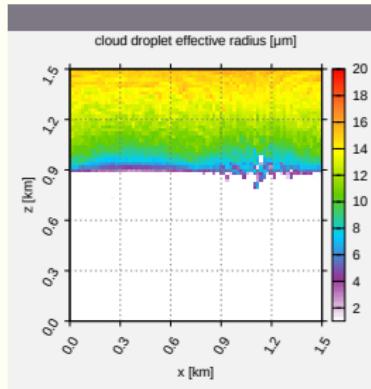
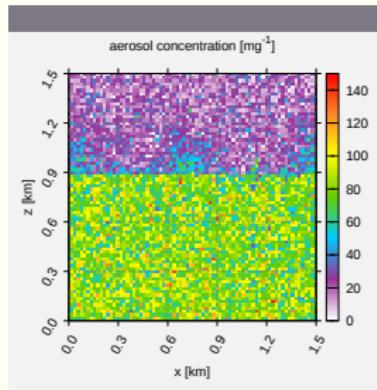
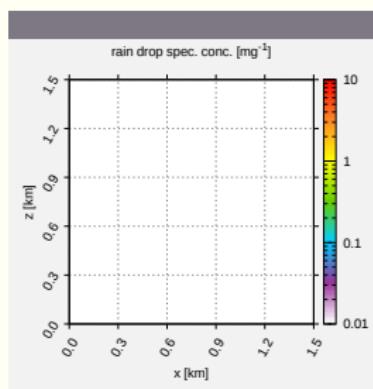
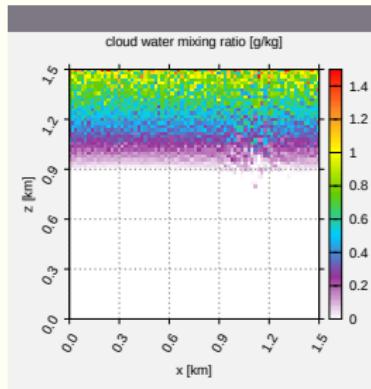
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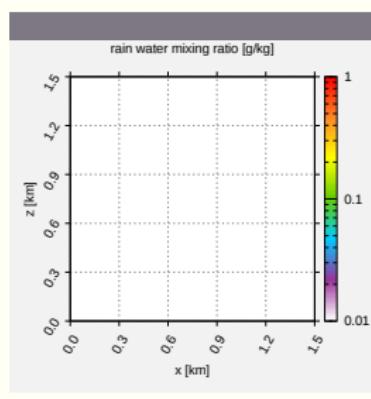
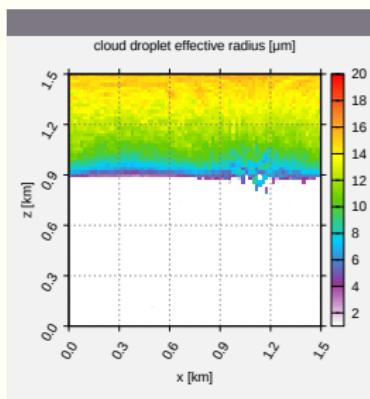
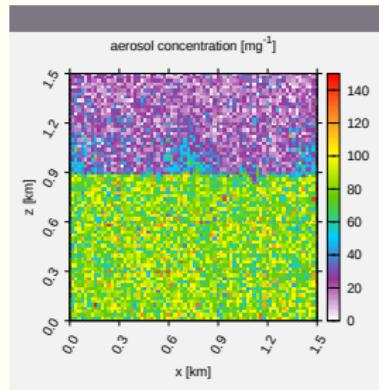
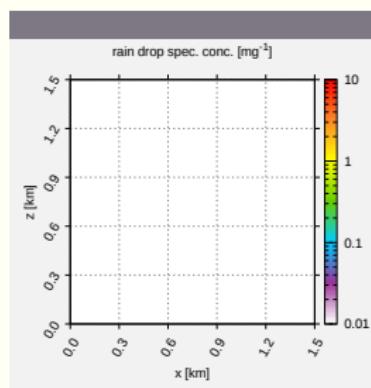
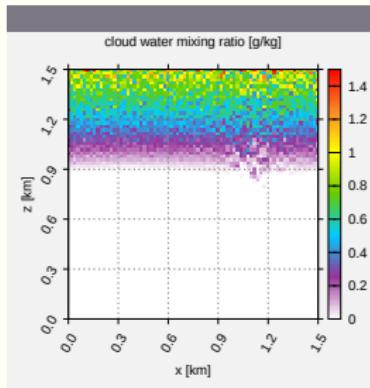
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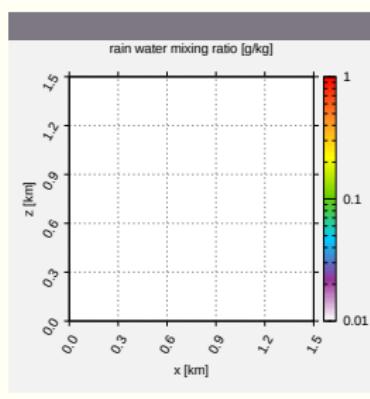
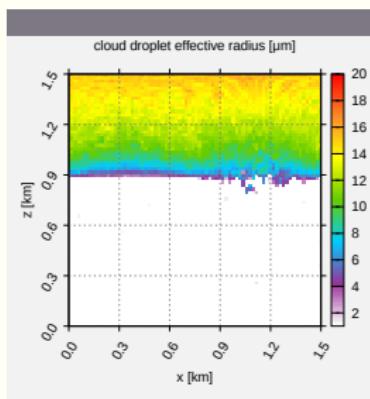
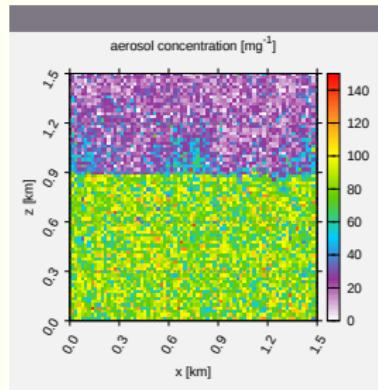
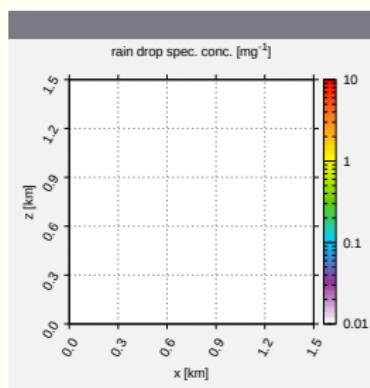
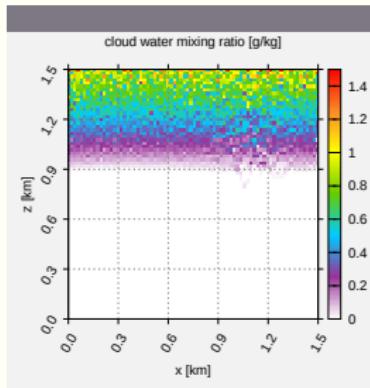
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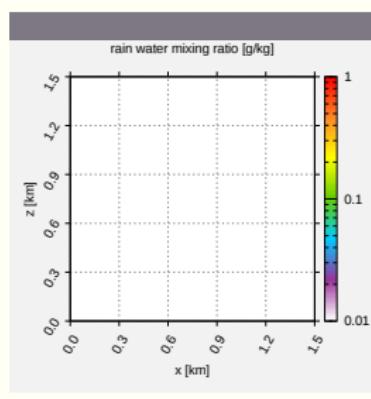
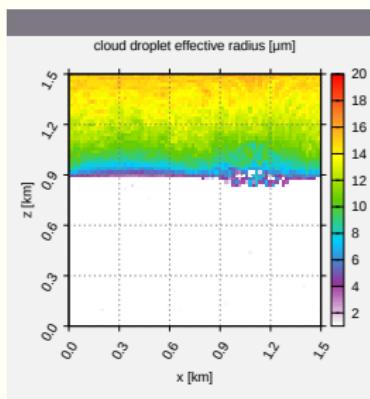
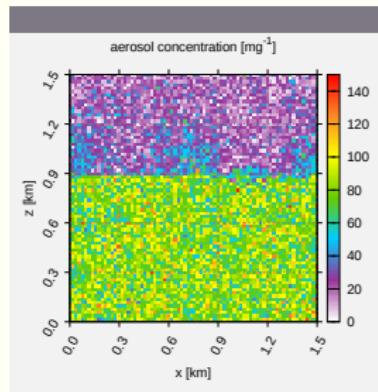
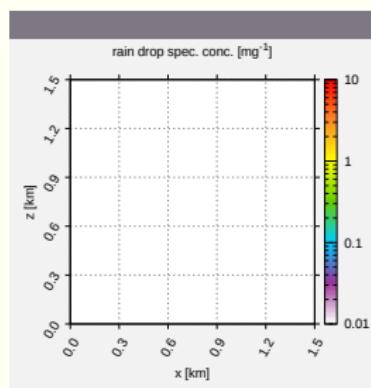
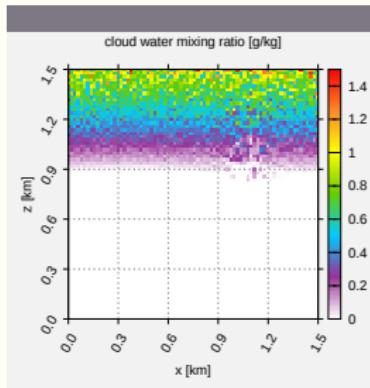
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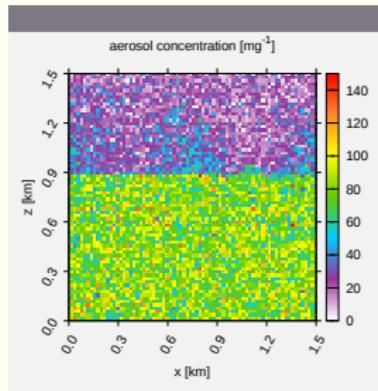
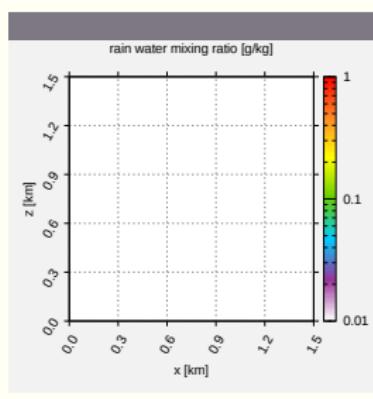
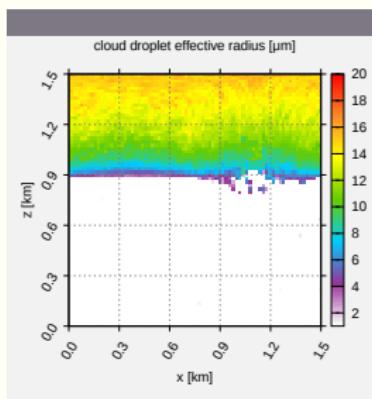
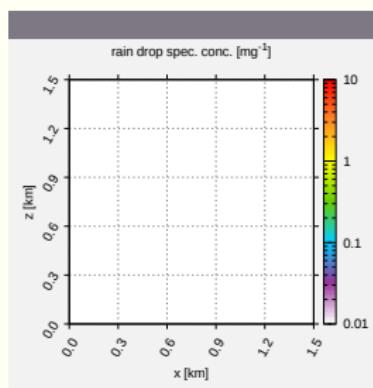
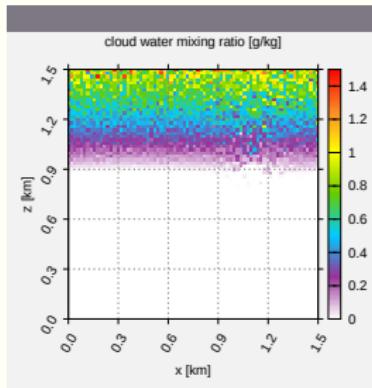
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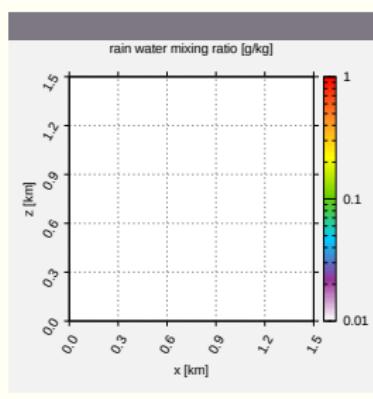
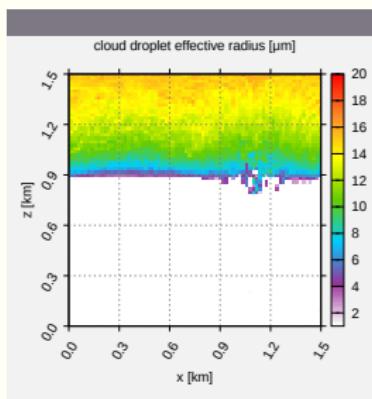
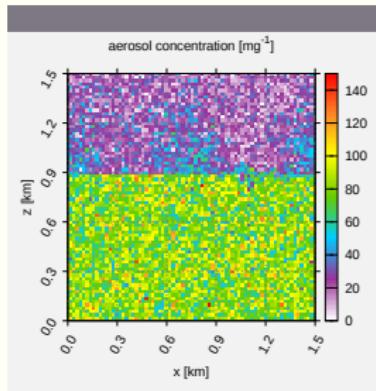
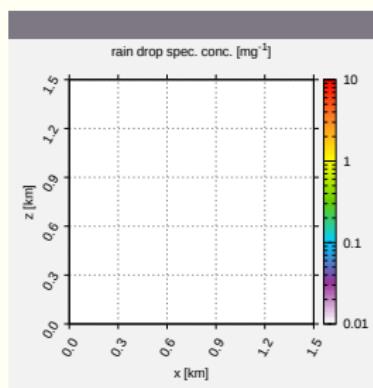
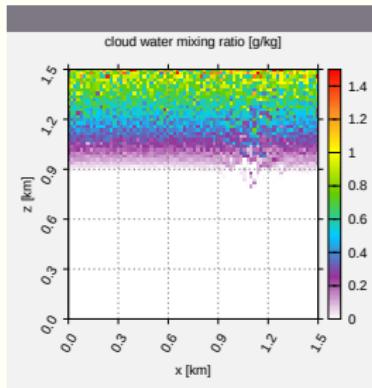
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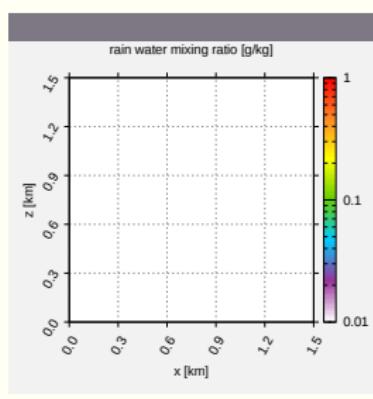
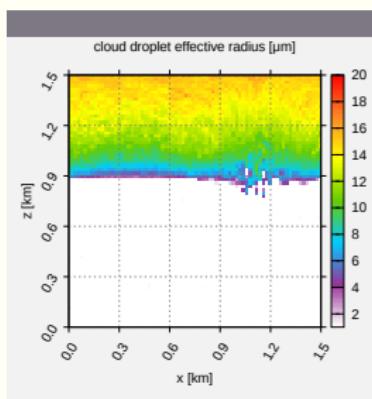
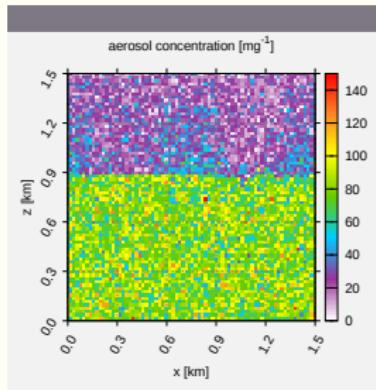
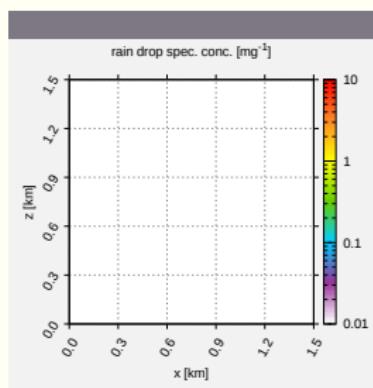
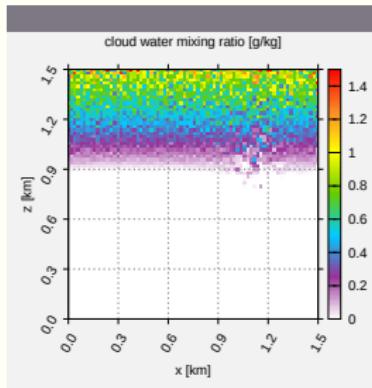
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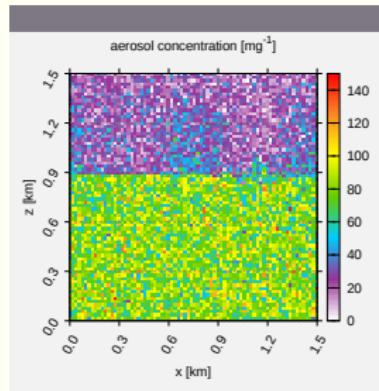
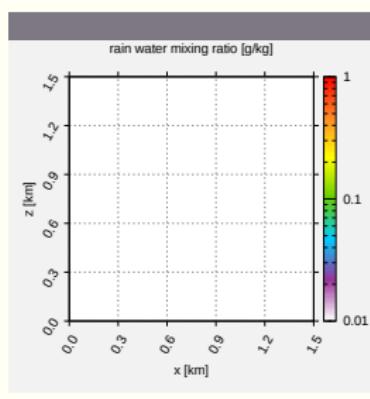
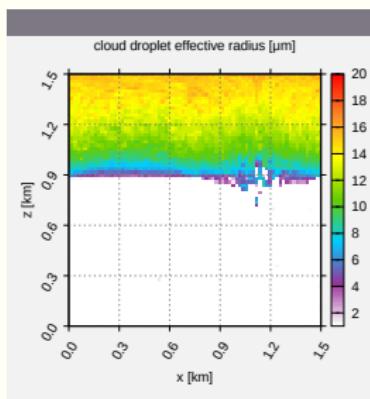
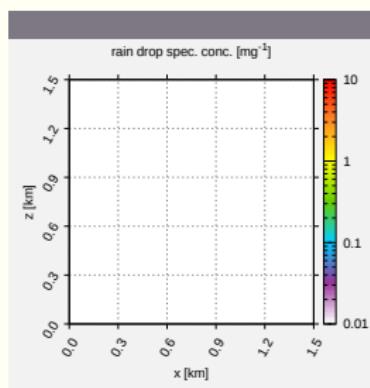
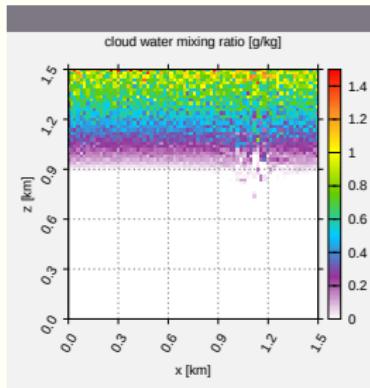
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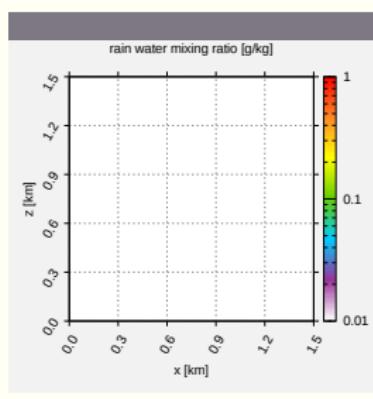
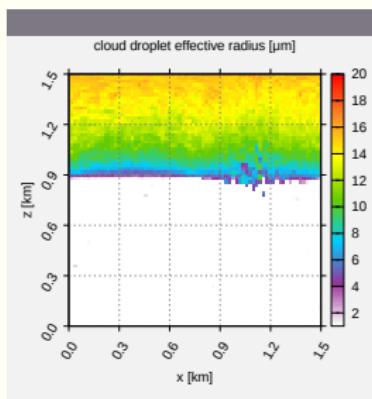
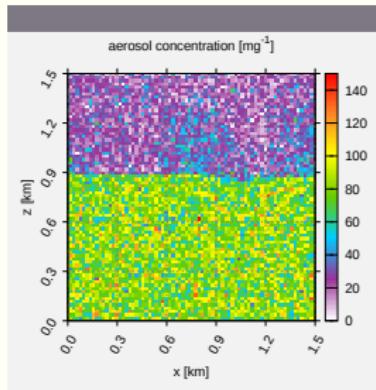
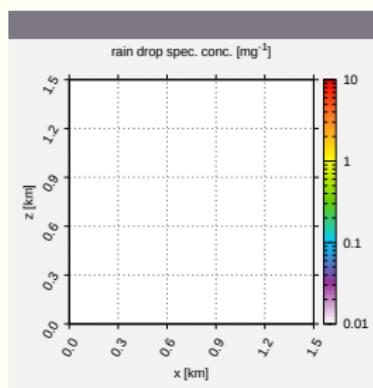
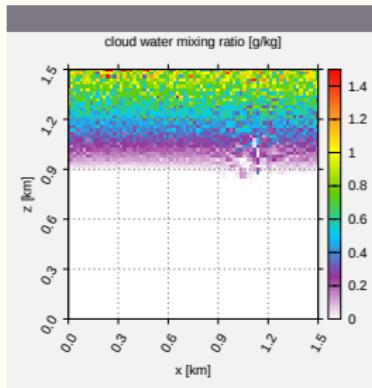
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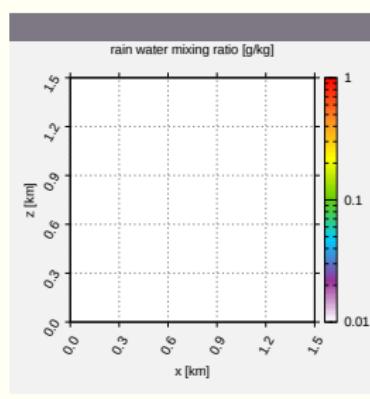
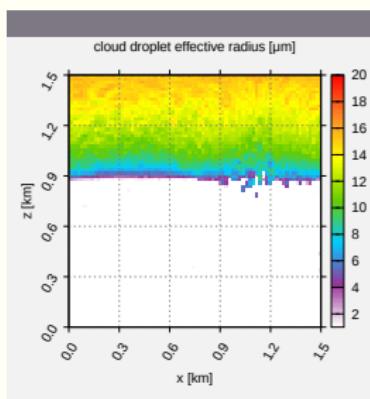
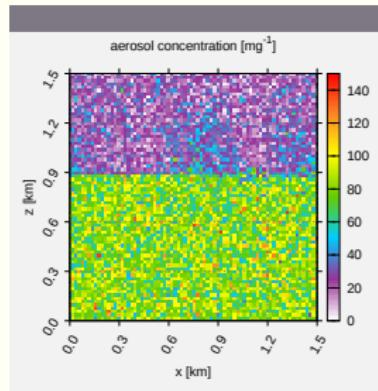
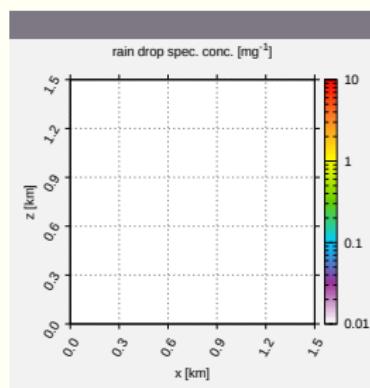
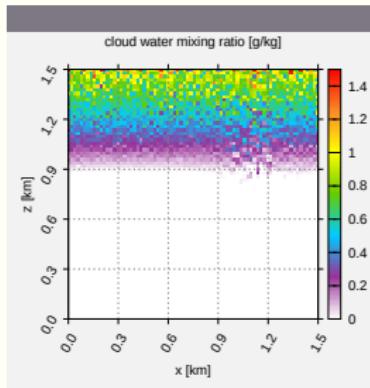
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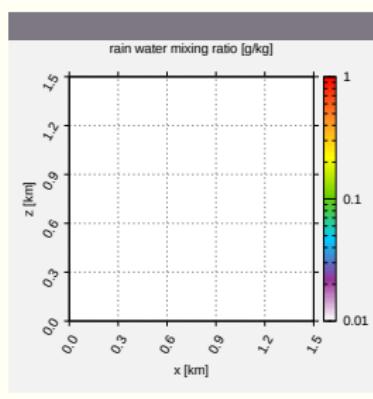
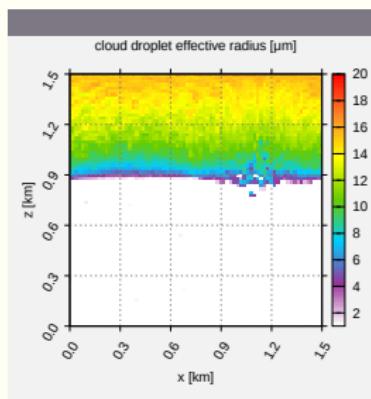
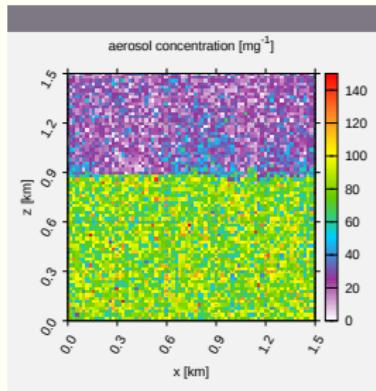
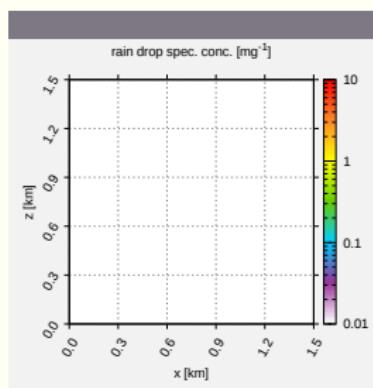
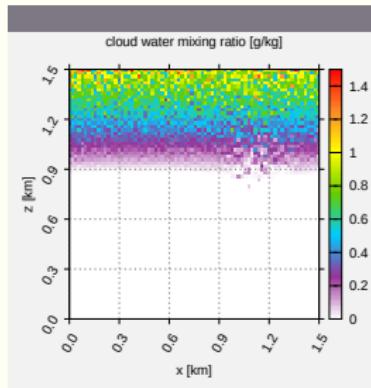
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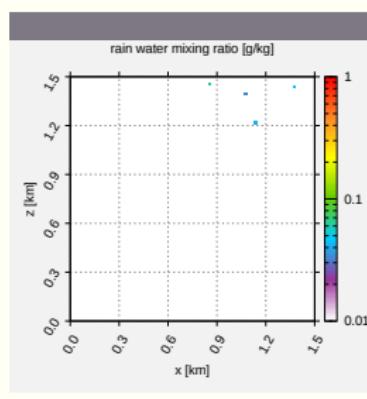
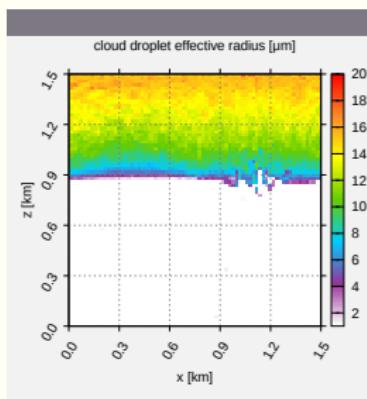
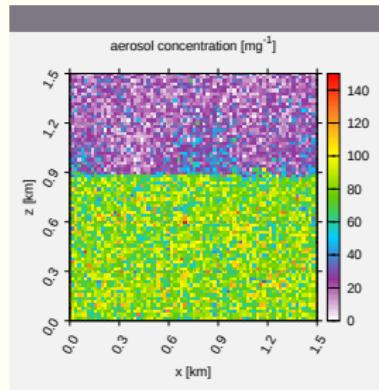
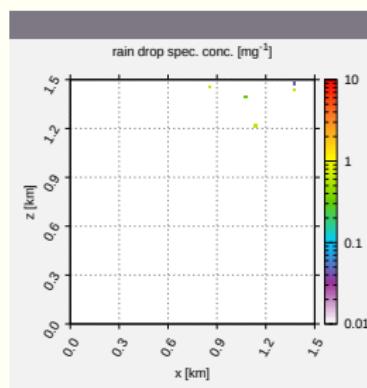
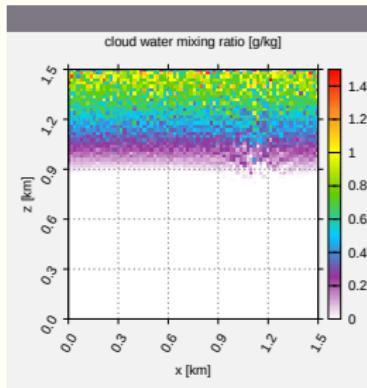
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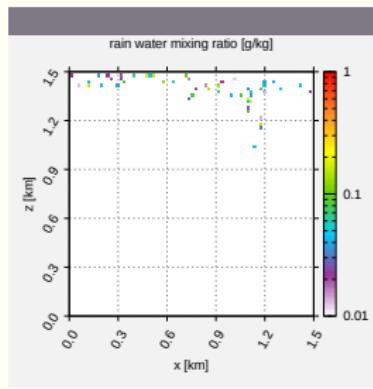
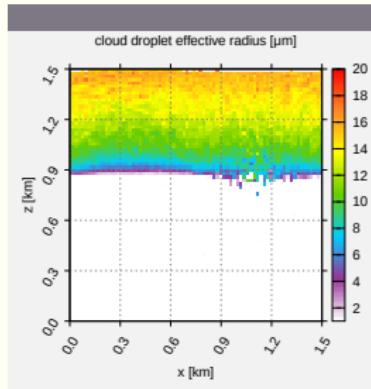
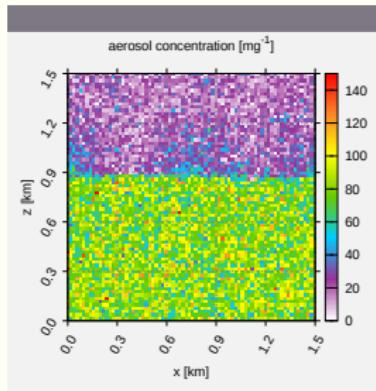
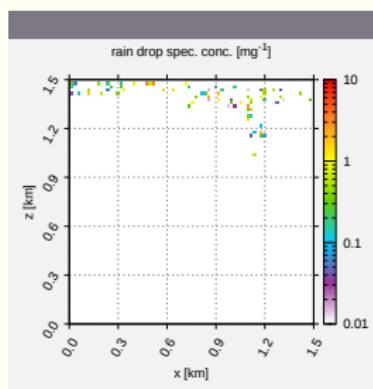
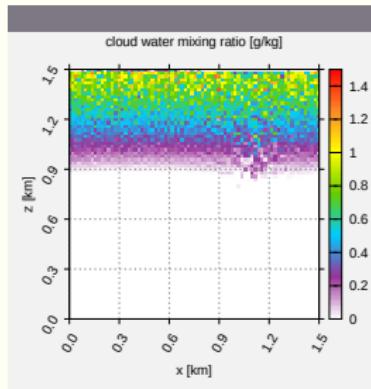
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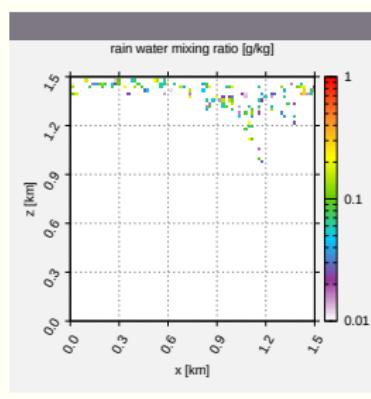
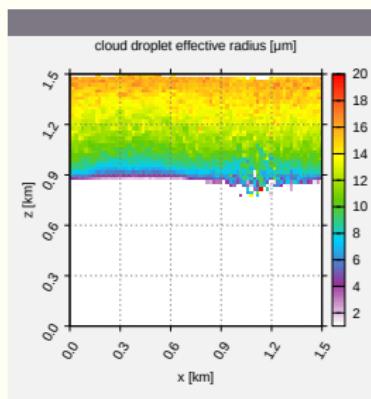
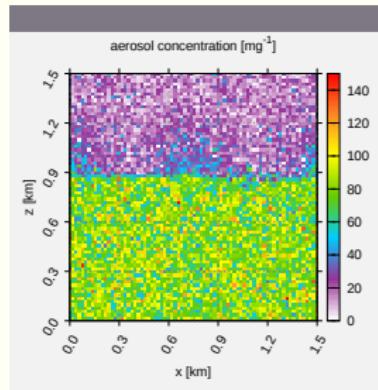
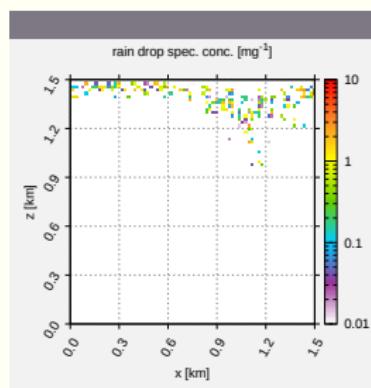
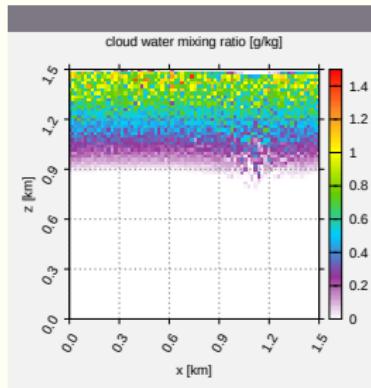
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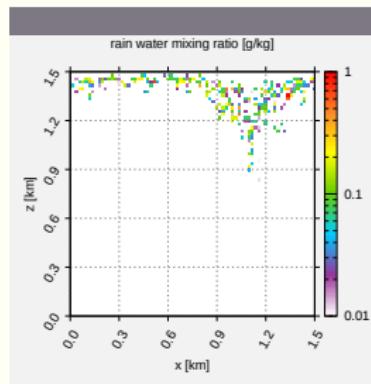
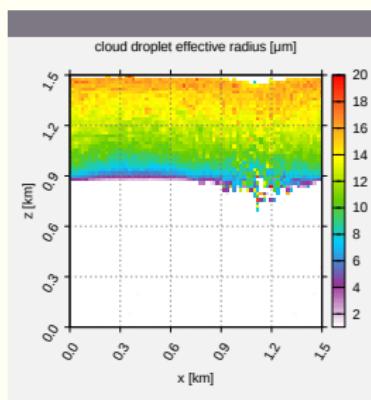
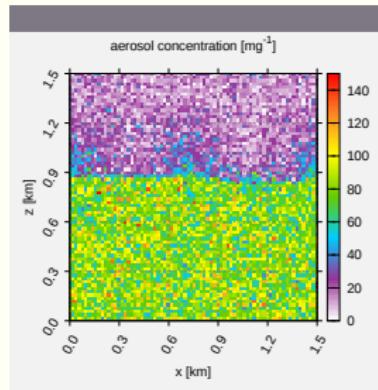
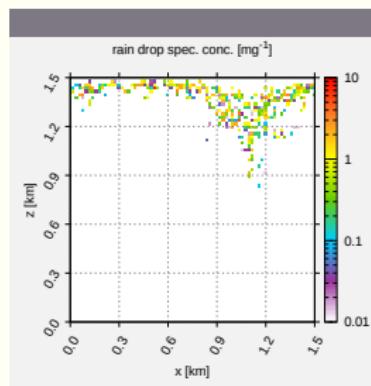
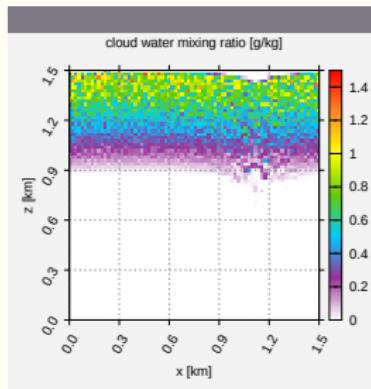
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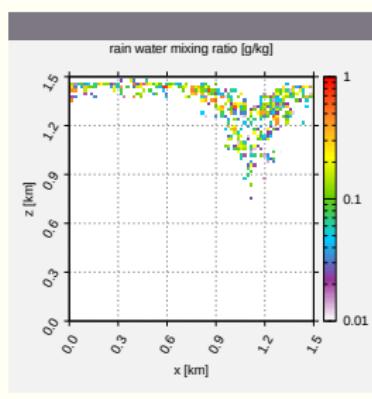
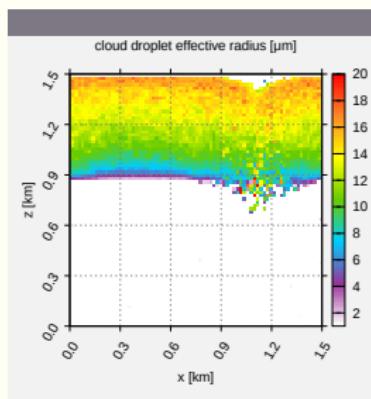
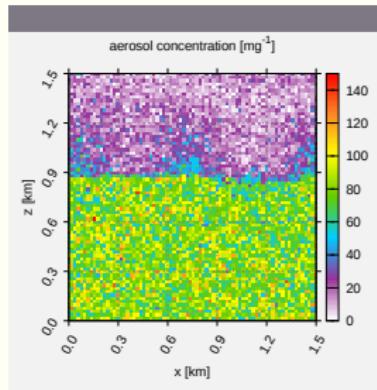
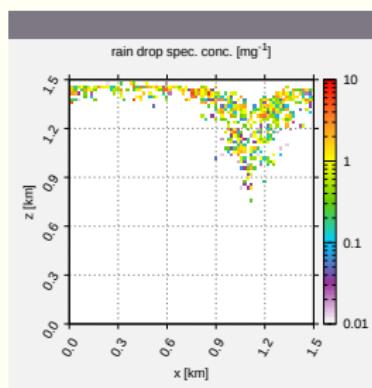
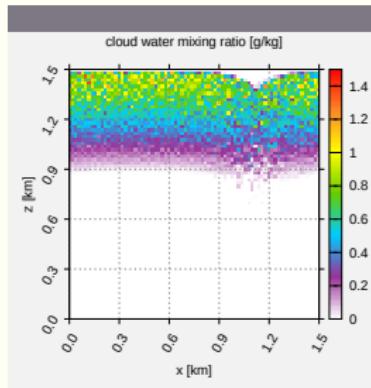
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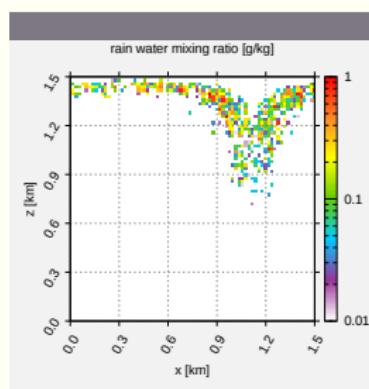
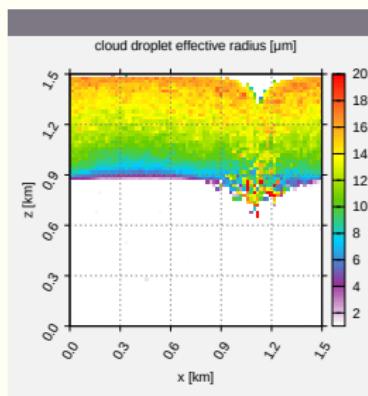
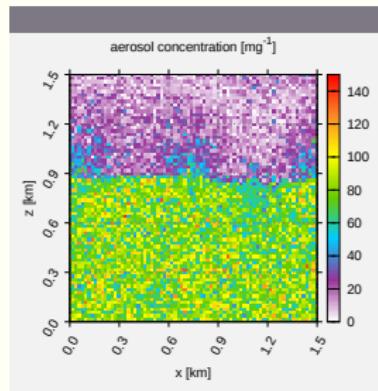
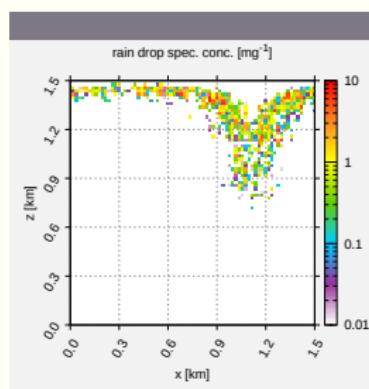
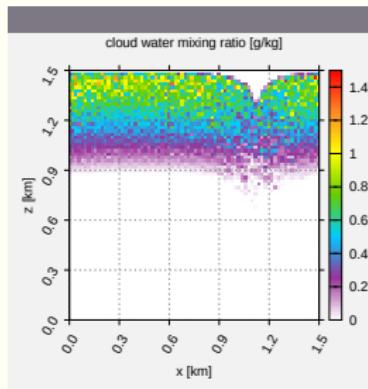
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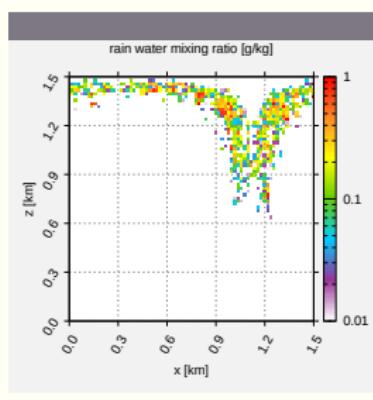
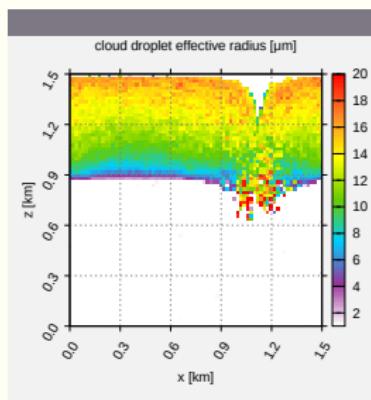
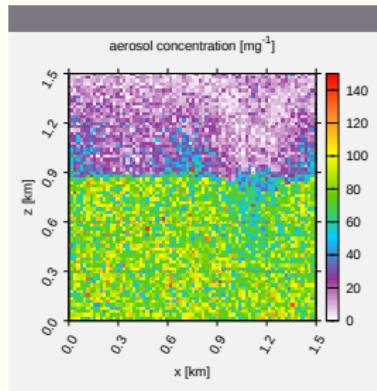
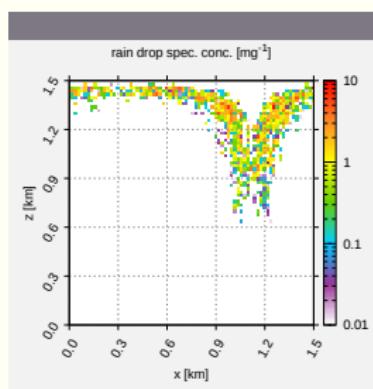
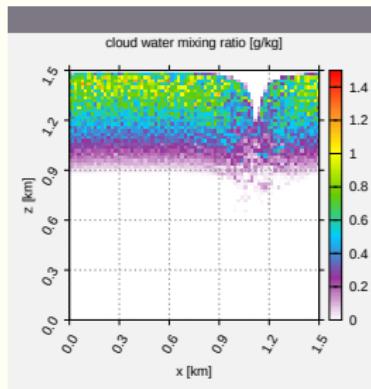
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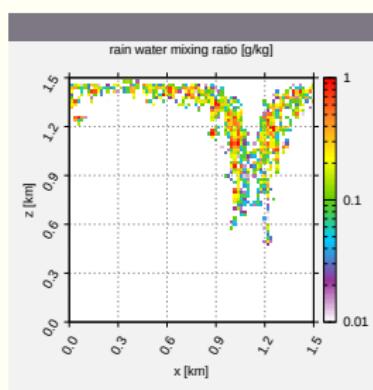
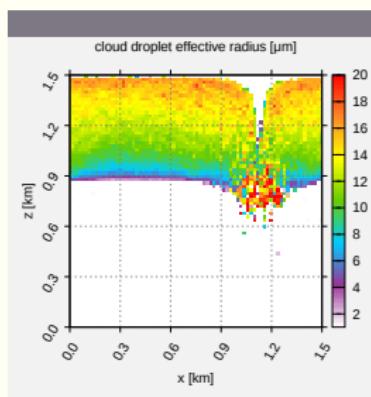
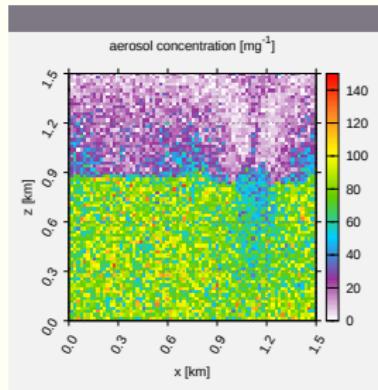
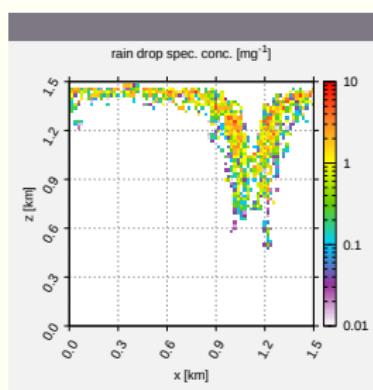
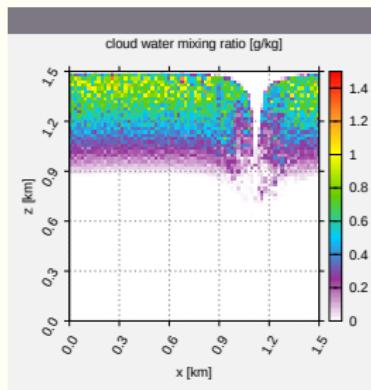
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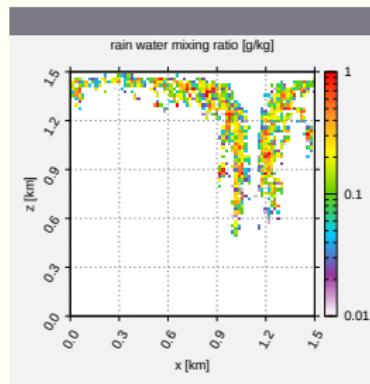
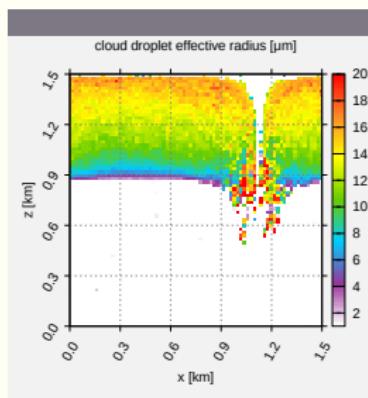
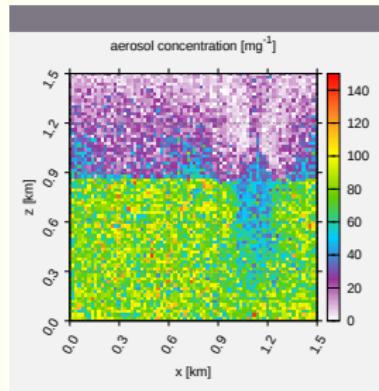
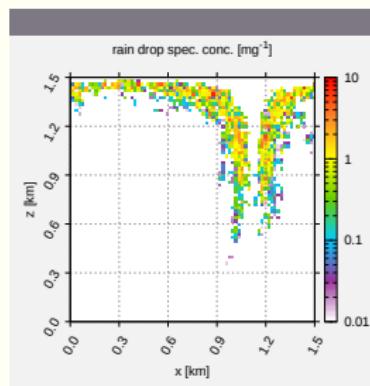
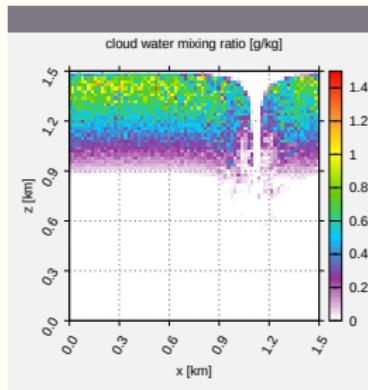
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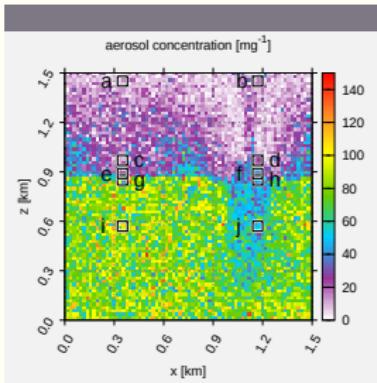
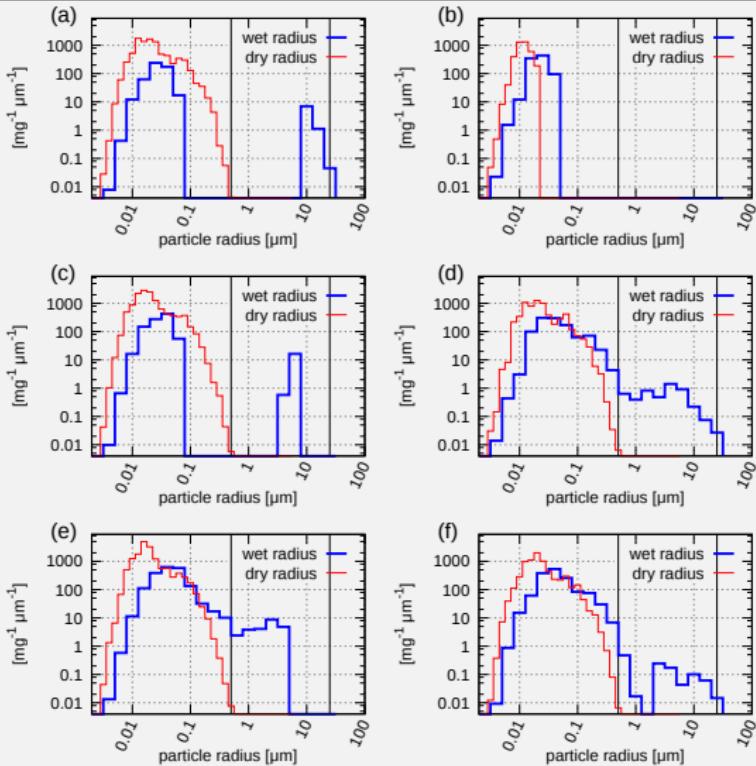


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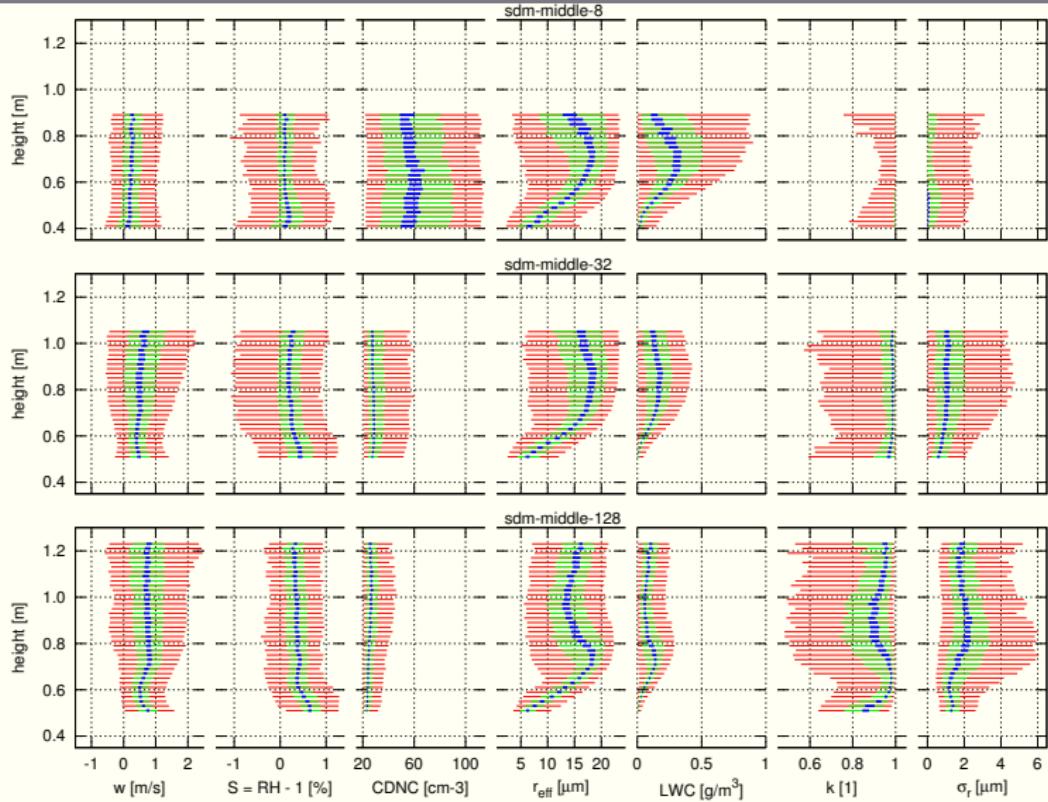
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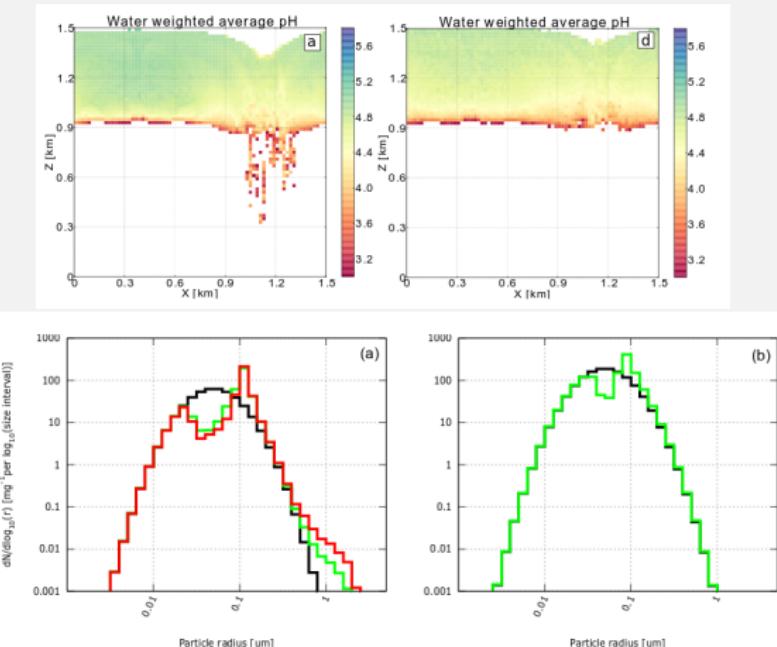
## UWLCM - DYCOMS example



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BEidkhpw-MA>

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**Figure 6.** The size distributions of dry radii for the base case (a) and case3 (b). The initial dry radius size distribution is marked in black, the final dry radius size distribution from grid cells with  $r_c > 0.01 \text{ g kg}^{-1}$  in green, and from grid cells with  $r_f > 0.01 \text{ g kg}^{-1}$  in red. See Tables 2 and 3 for a definition of simulation set-ups.

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