

Spectrally resolved Polarimetric Observation and Computation of Clouds - SPOCC

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*„Toward modeling and observing
the hydrometeor ratio during the
onset of precipitation.“*

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Numerical evidence that the impact of CCN and INP concentrations on mixed-phase clouds is observable with cloud radars

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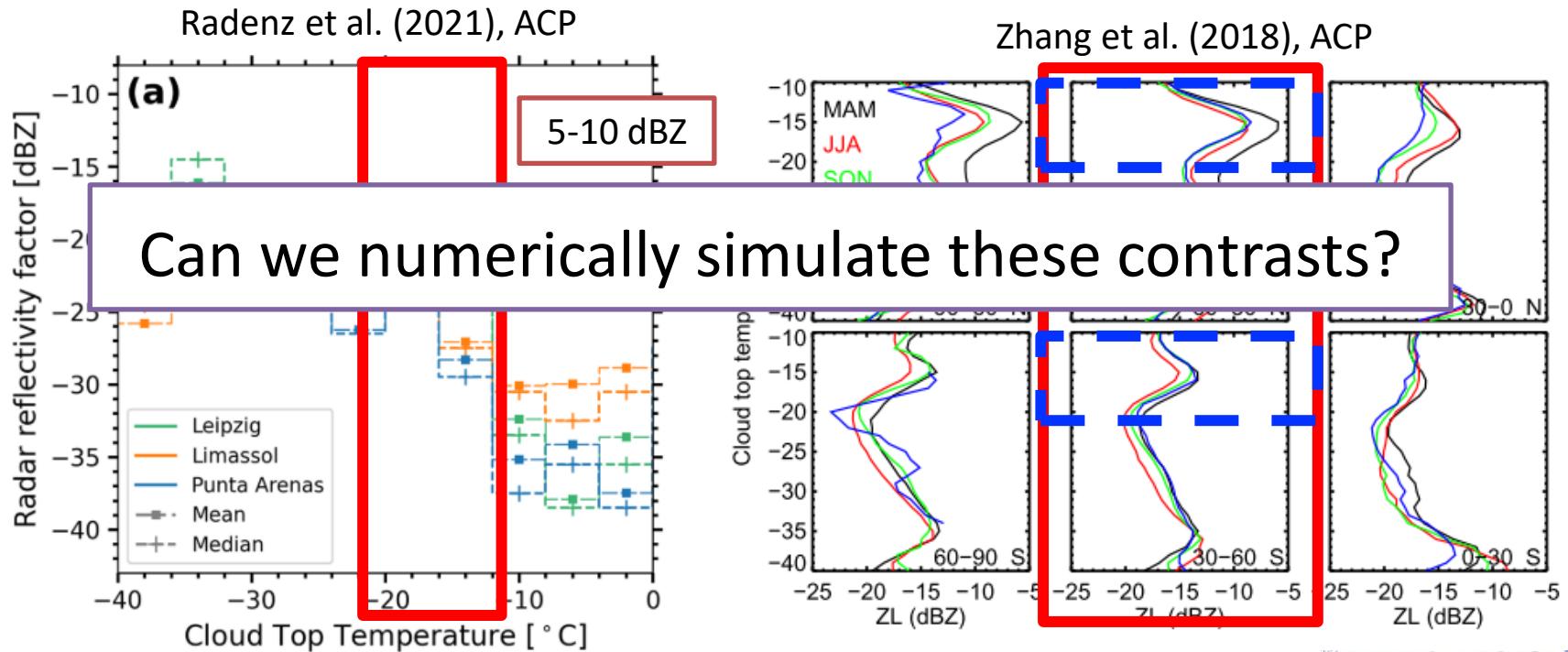
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MOTIVATION

1. AGGREGATION

SPECTRAL-BIN MODELING
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OBSERVATION
KID SHAPE CLOUD
RADAR
FORWARD SIMULATOR
ICE CLOUD
1. AGGREGATION

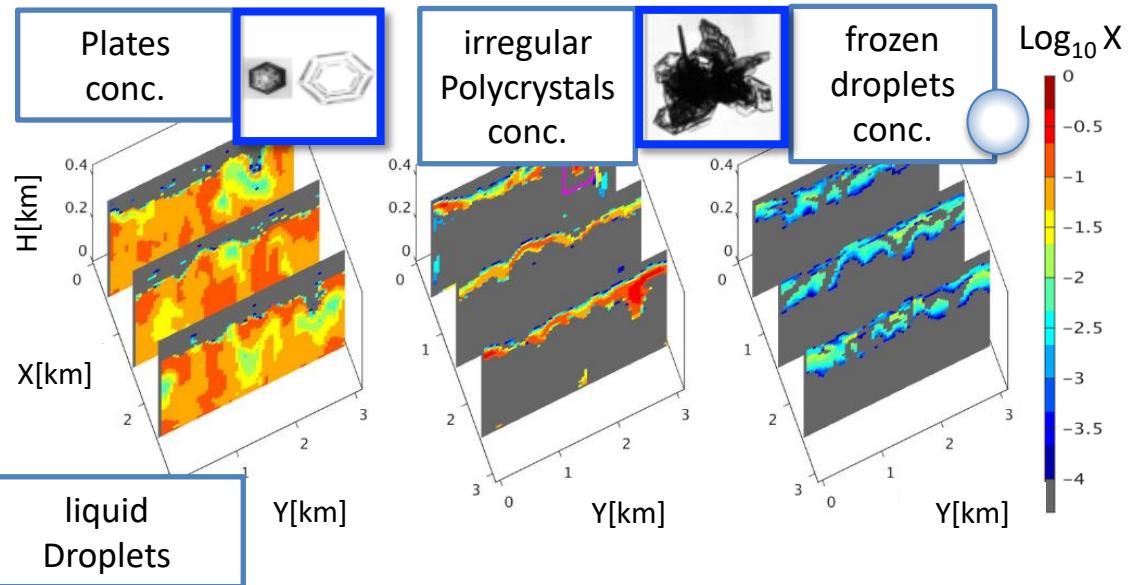
Analysis of Aerosol-Related Contrasts in Cloud-Radar Reflectivities Observed in Stratiform Supercooled Mixed-Phase Clouds



The motivation of advanced microphysics modeling: Spectral-bin model

→ Advanced Microphysical Prediction System (AMPS; Hashino et al. (2020), JAS)

- Hydrometeor shapes can be distinguishable
- Modeling can suggest the possible pathway of precipitating the evolution of hydrometeors



Number concentration for Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean (SHEBA)

Warm cloud

- CCN activation
- Collision-coalescence
- Collision-breakup

Cold cloud

- Nucleation Process
- Rimming
- Aggregation
- Secondary process

Both

- Sedimentation
- Ventilation effect

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POLARIMETRIC RADAR MODELING

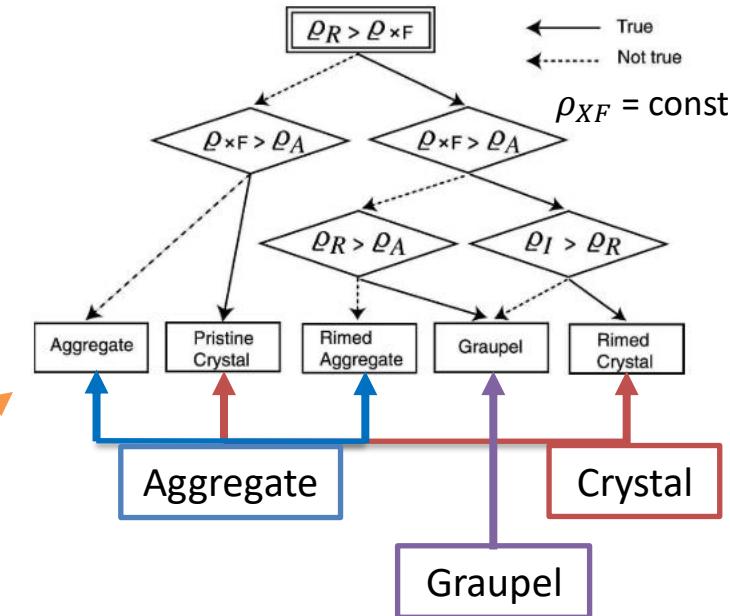
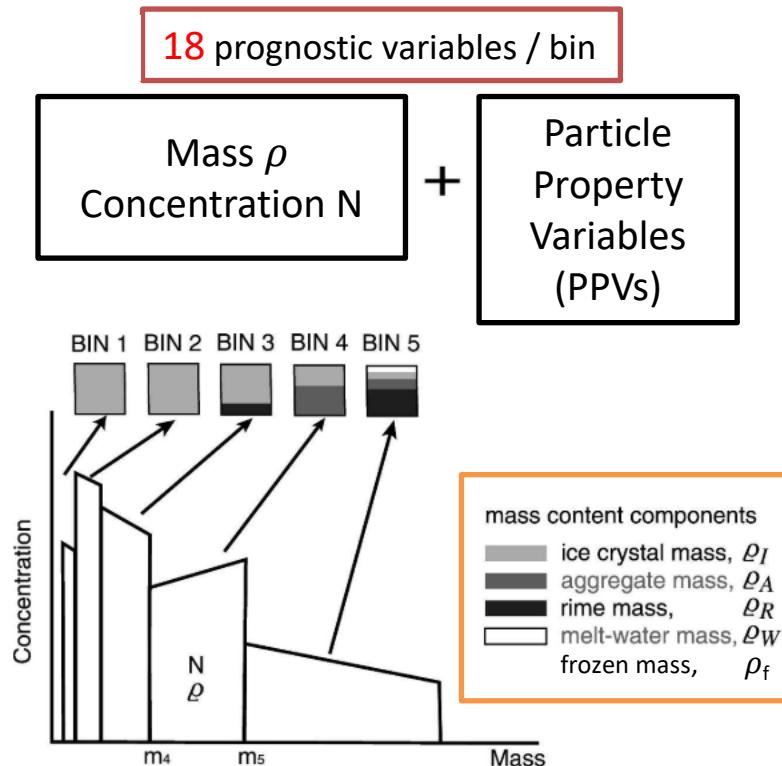
2. AGGREGATION METHOD

QNOSTO MODELING RIMMING

SIMULATION CLOUD KID RADAR MIXED-PHASE
OBSERVATION SPECTRAL-BIN ICE FORWARD SHAPE

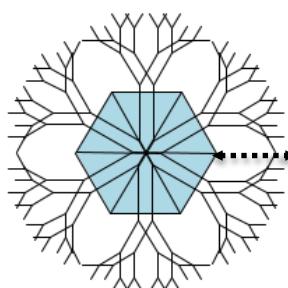
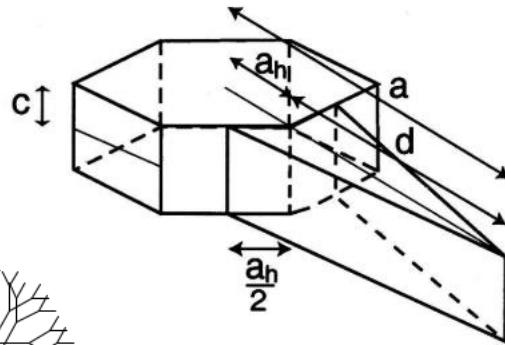
The spectral-bin microphysics model

→ Advanced Microphysical Prediction System (AMPS; Hashino and Tripoli (2007), JAS)



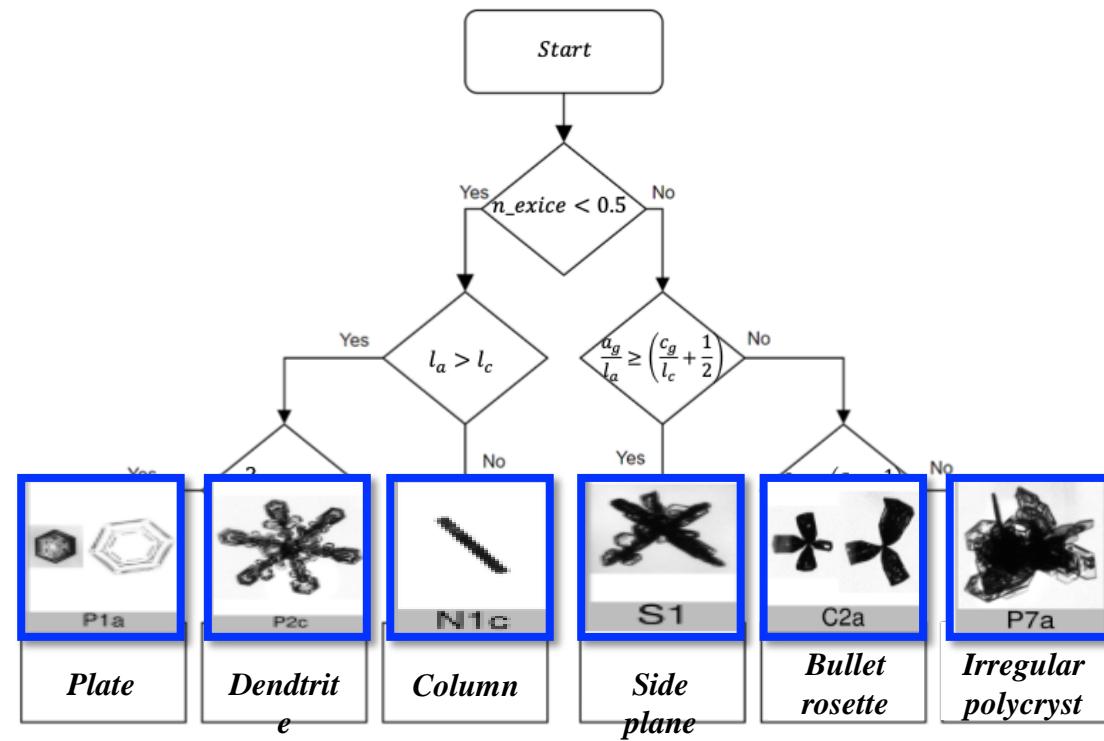
Particle Property Variables (PPVs) in AMPS: Diagnosis of Habit

(a) Dimension of the Hexagonal Crystal Model

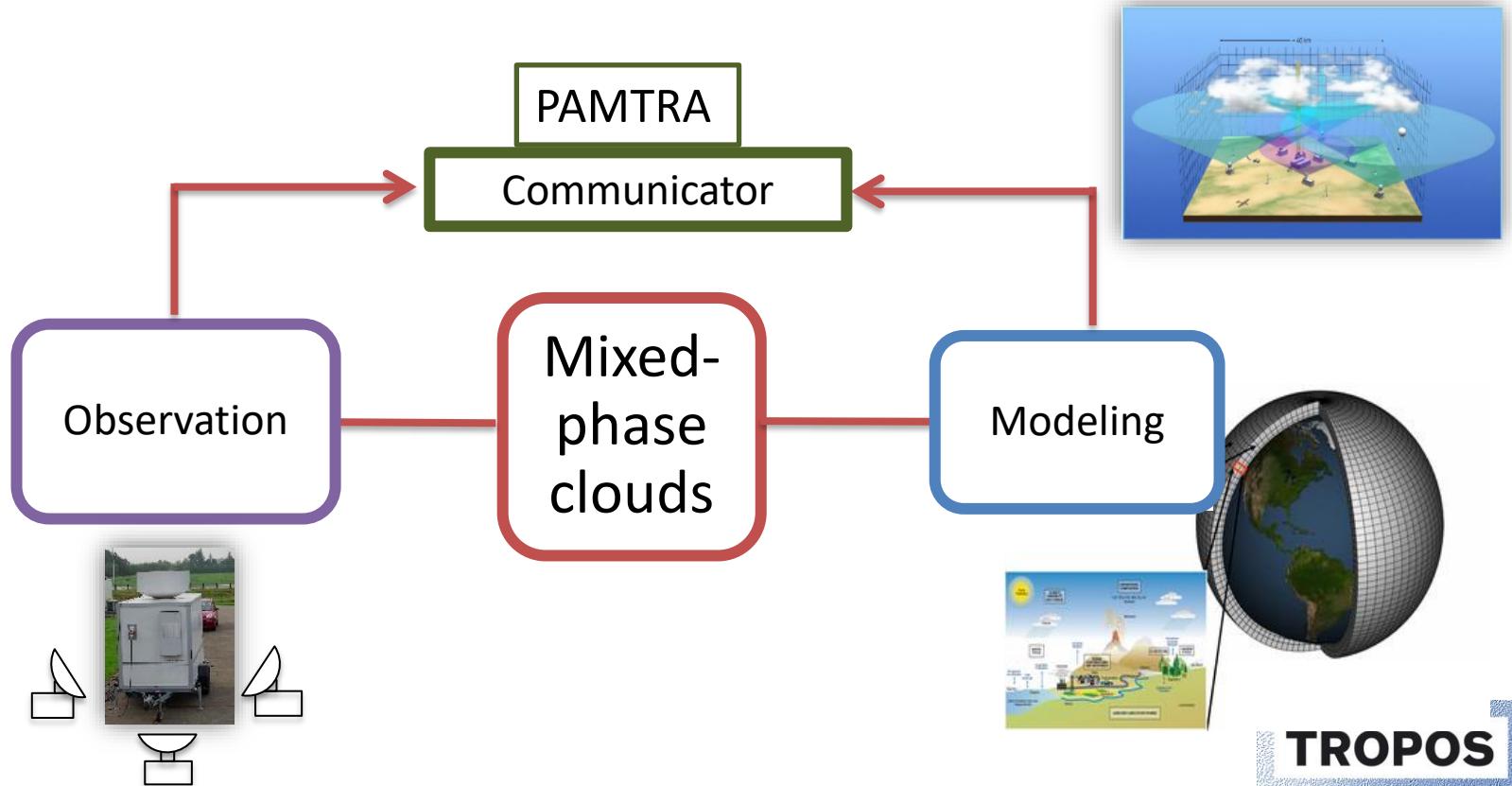


Hashino and Tripoli (2006), JAS

(b) Diagnosis Flowchart



Radar forward simulator (PAMTRA: Mech et al., 2020, GMD)



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3. RESULT

POLARIMETRIC
RADAR
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ICE
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SIMULATOR

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MODELING

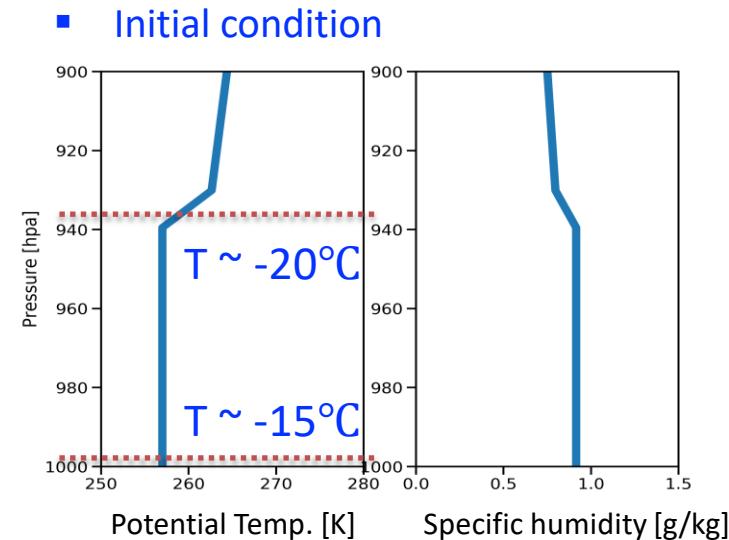
The impact of CCN and INP perturbations on mixed-phase clouds with AMPS and Radar forward simulator (PAMTRA)

- Simulations with AMPS for the same thermodynamical condition of stratiform supercooled liquid cloud, but strongly different aerosol conditions

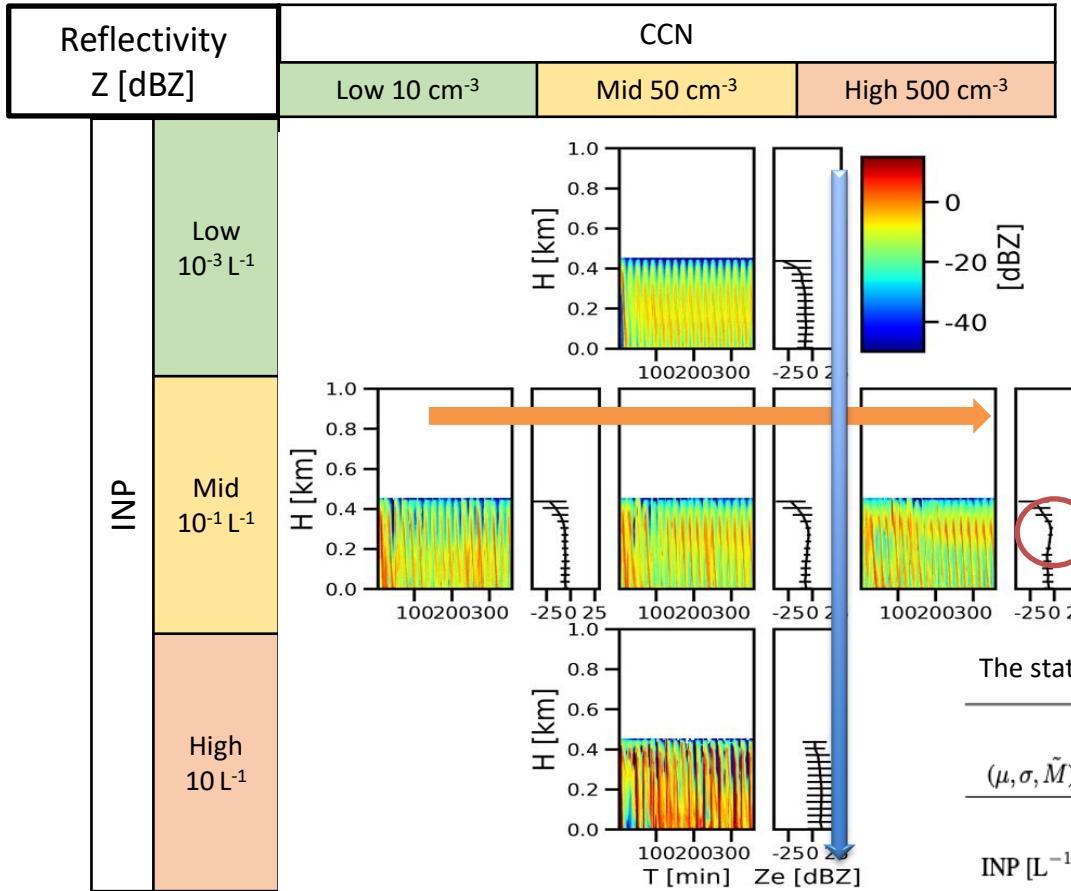
Typical Arctic
mixed-phase
clouds

		Pristine			Polluted
		CCN			
		Low 10 cm^{-3}	Mid 50 cm^{-3}	High 500 cm^{-3}	
INP	Low 0.001 L^{-1}		EXP3		
	Mid 0.1 L^{-1}	EXP4	EXP2 (Control)	EXP5	
	High 10 L^{-1}		EXP1		

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Radar Reflectivity factor from AMPS-PAMTRA (Ka-band)

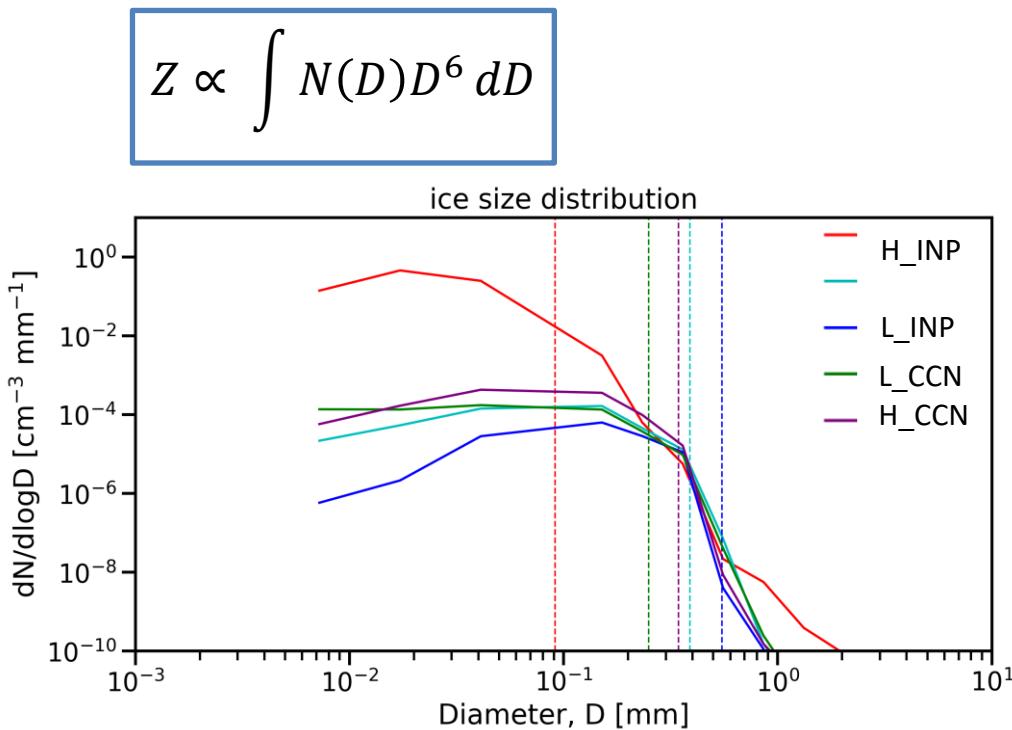


- **SSRG method** (Maherndl et al., 2023, under review)
(Self-Similar Rayleigh–Gans Approximation)
 - CCN concentration ↑
→ Z similar
→ ↓ standard deviation
 - INP concentration ↑
→ ↑ Z
→ Consistent with the observation findings
(Zhang et al., 2018, Radenz et al., 2021)

The statistical analysis of radar reflectivity factor Z [dBZ]

	CCN [cm^{-3}]		
(μ, σ, \tilde{M})	10	50	500
INP [L^{-1}]	0.001	(-11.83, 9.12, 0.36)	
	0.1	(-10.23, 5.70, 1.63)	(-9.87, 5.05, 1.71)
	10	(4.65, 12.47, 2.87)	

Simulation results of AMPS

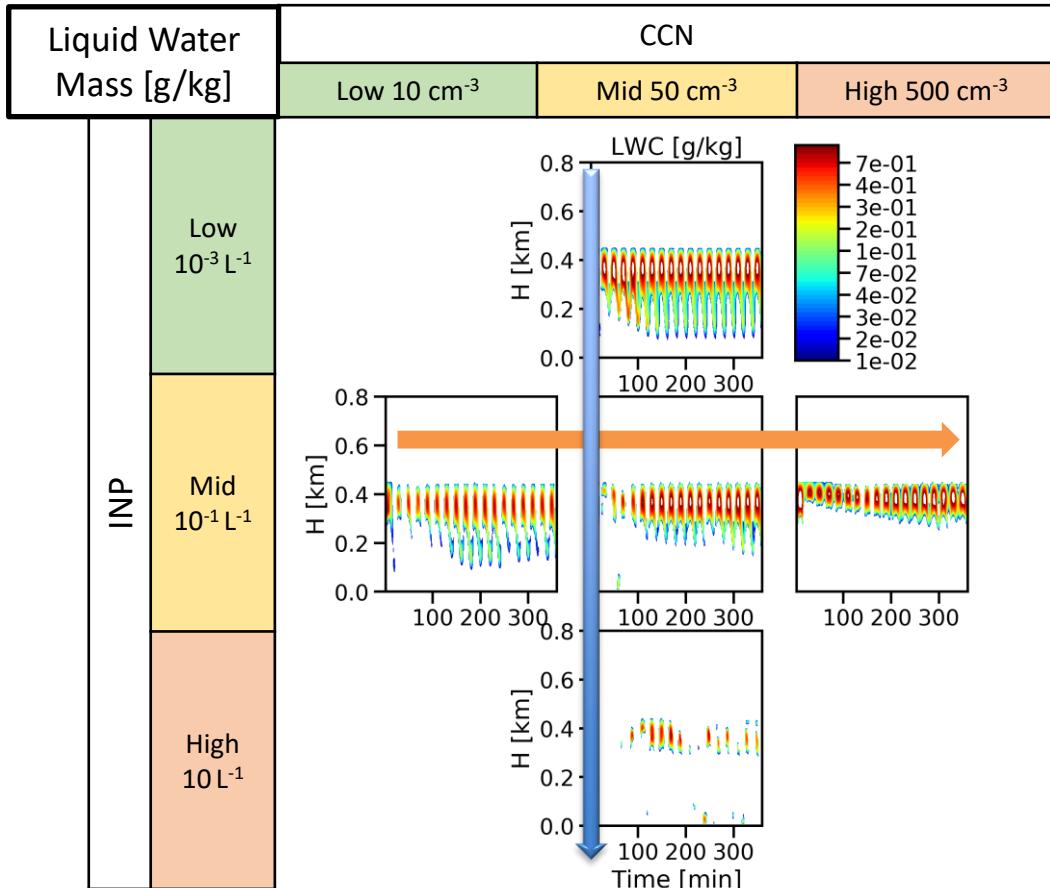


- INP concentration ↑
→ ↓ D & ↑ N
→ Z ↑

- CCN concentration ↑
→ slightly ↑ D & ↓ N
→ **Similar Z**

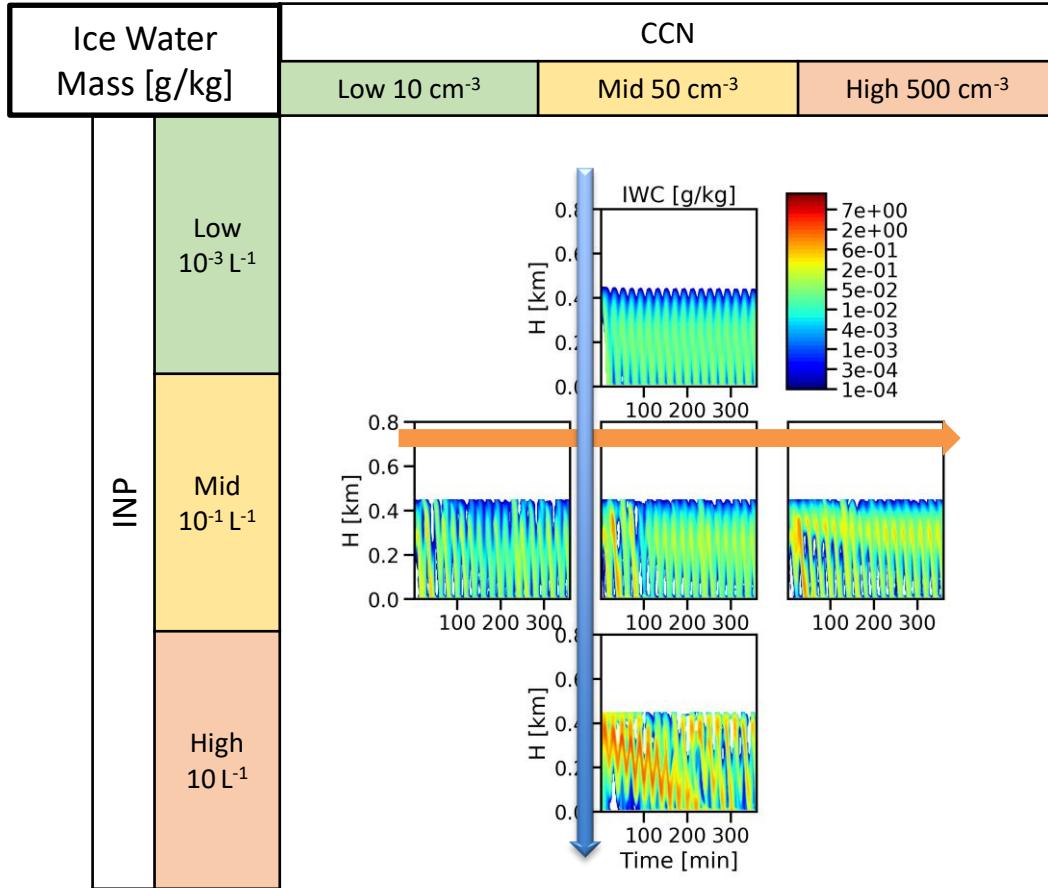
Z is not solely influenced by the Number Concentration

Simulation results of AMPS



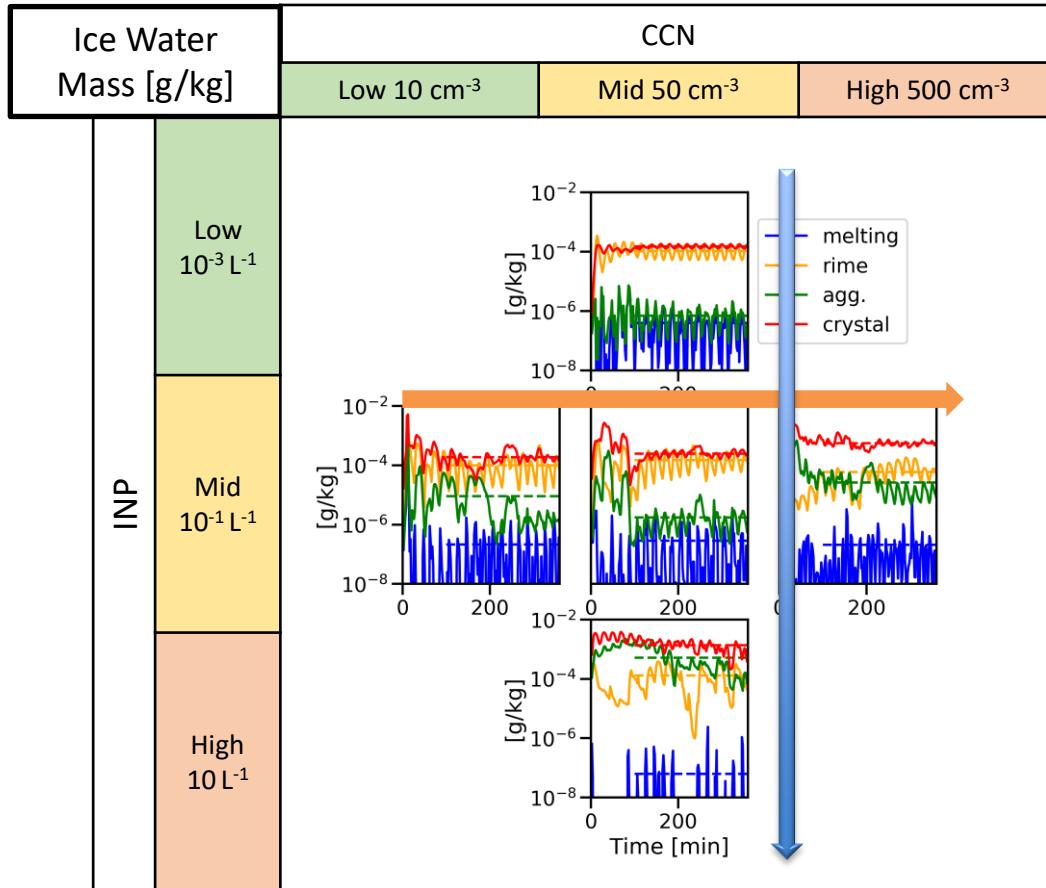
- CCN concentration ↑
→ ↑ Liquid water mass
→ suppresses precipitation
- INP concentration ↑
→ ↓ Liquid water mass

Simulation results of AMPS



- CCN concentration ↑
→ ↑ Ice water mass
- INP concentration ↑
→ ↑ Ice water mass

Simulation results of AMPS



- CCN concentration ↑
→ slightly ↑ aggregation
→ ↓ Rimming

Reduction in the **size** of supercooled liquid particles available for riming

(Borys and Lowenthal, 2003, GRL)

- INP concentration ↑
→ ↑ Aggregation and ↑ Crystal
→ ↓ Rimming

Reduction in the **number** of supercooled liquid particles available for riming

Conclusion

- CCN and INP concentrations play a vital role in determining the shape of ice particles and influencing cloud microphysics.
- The efficiency of the riming process decreases, while the aggregation process increases, with **higher** concentrations of INP and CCN..
- **Higher INP** concentrations result in smaller effective diameters, while **increased CCN** concentrations lead to a slight increase in size.
- We successfully coupled the **AMPS** model with **PAMTRA** to obtain radar-related variables.
- An increase in the INP concentration leads to an increase in **Z**.
(Zhang et al., 2018 and Radenz et al., 2021)
- Through modeling and the radar forward simulator, we confirmed that **Z** is influenced by factors beyond just **Number Conc.**

Thank you!

