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Investigating hemispheric differences in aerosol signatures in mixed-phase cloud processes with spectral polarimetric cloud radar observations

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SPP-PROM Meeting



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**...how aerosol influences riming/ aggregation
using vertically-pointing cloud radar observations
(PICNICC)**

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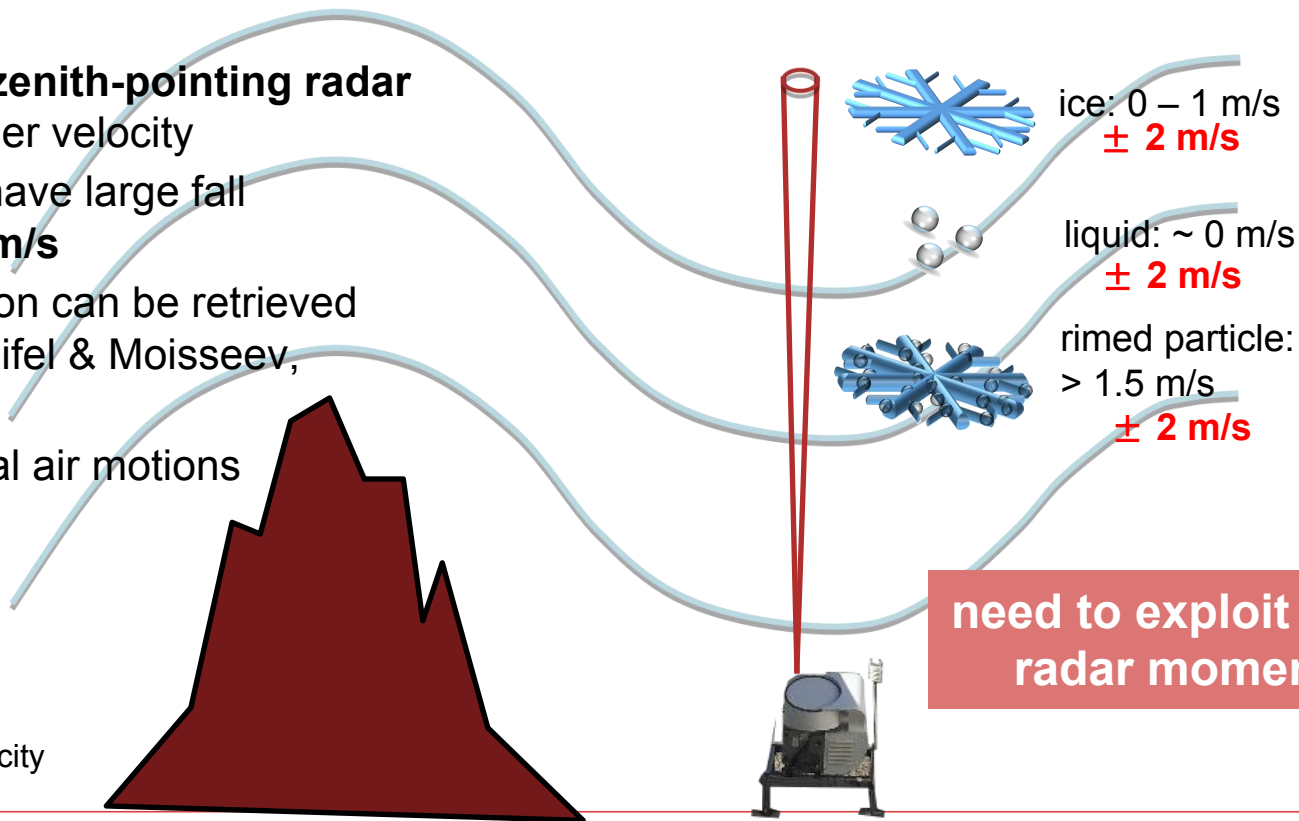
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OUTLINE

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RIMING DETECTION USING GROUND-BASED RADAR

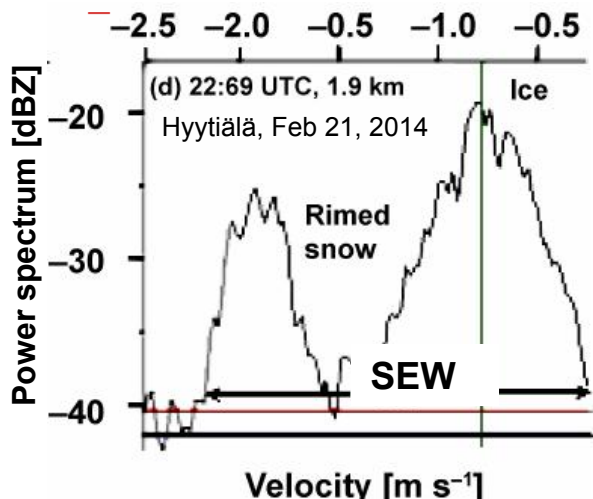
- **ground-based zenith-pointing radar** measures Doppler velocity
- rimed particles have large fall velocities $> 1.5 \text{ m/s}$
- rime mass fraction can be retrieved using **MDV** (Kneifel & Moisseev, 2020)
- **Problem:** vertical air motions



MDV: Mean Doppler Velocity

FINGERPRINTS OF RIMING

- Increase in **MDV**
- Increase in **width**
- Nonzero **skewness**
- Increase in **reflectivity**

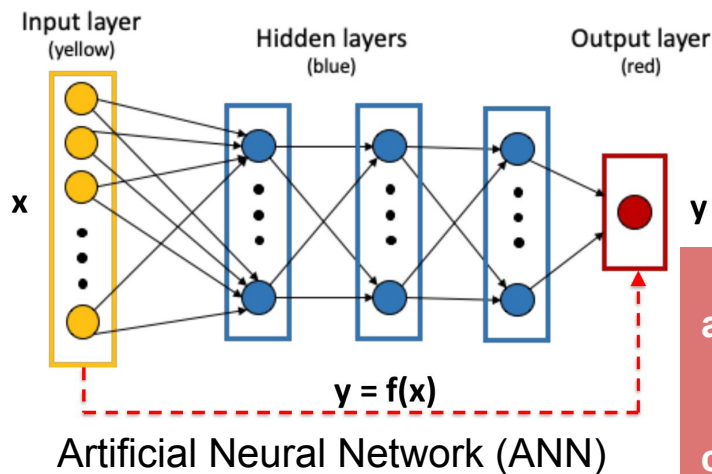


Kalesse et al., 2016

SEW: Spectrum Edge Width

- Fixed threshold techniques not always applicable
- **Machine learning** techniques well-suited for extracting relationships from large data sets
- Easy-to-use Python implementations

$x =$ Doppler spectrum features



Artificial Neural Network (ANN)

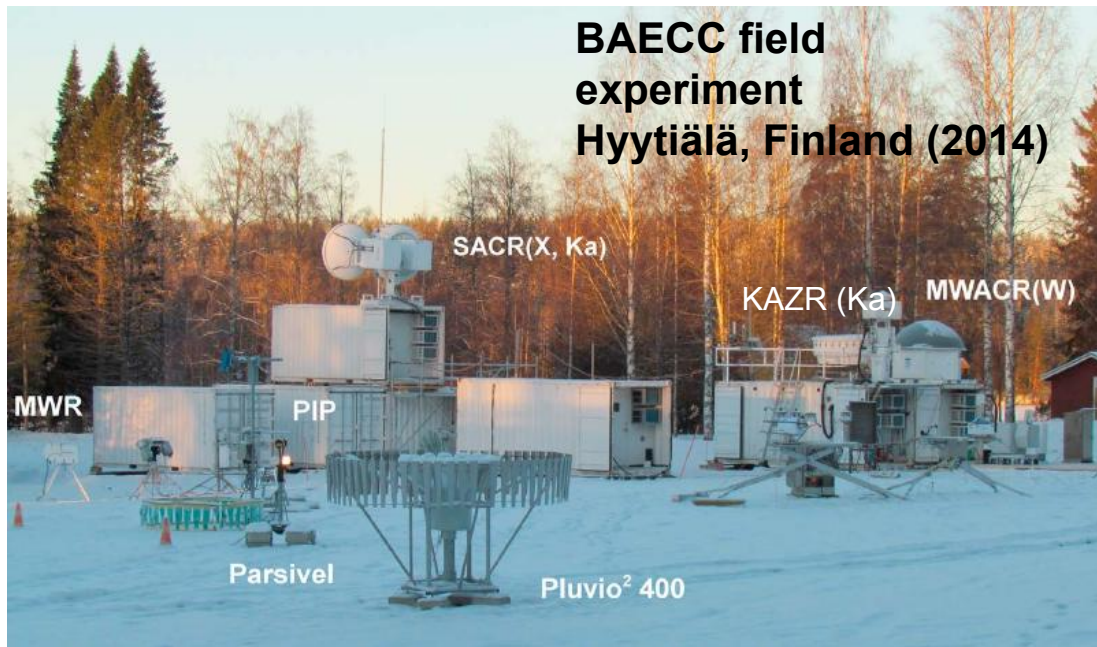
Ebert Uphoff, 2020

$y =$ rime mass fraction

ANN with and without MDV as input: comparable results → MDV not needed!

TRAINING DATA SET

BAECC field experiment Hyytiälä, Finland (2014)



- For training, we need **pairs of input x and output y** → dataset with remote sensing and in-situ observations
- **Input x : KAZR & MWACR cloud radars (35 & 94 GHz)**
- **Output y : PIP (Precipitation Imaging Package) → retrieving rime mass fraction FR_{PIP}**

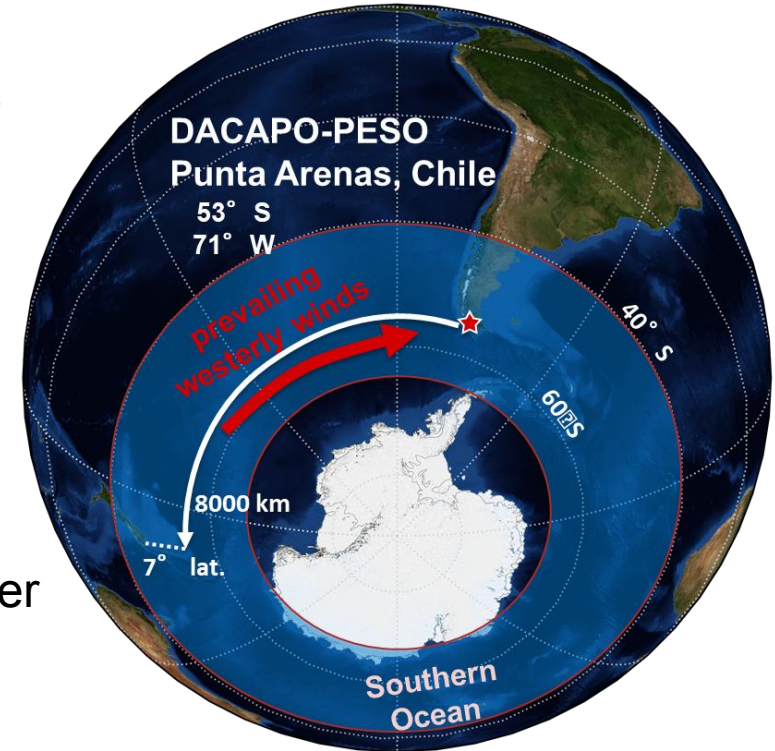
Kneifel et al., 2015

**DACAPO
PESO**



Dynamics, **A**erosol, **C**loud
and **P**recipitation **O**bservations
in the
Pristine **E**nvironment
of the **S**outhern **O**cean

- lack of observational data
- low INP concentrations
- high cloud fraction
- large amounts of supercooled liquid water



[M. Radenz]

Leipzig Aerosol and Cloud Remote Observation System (LACROS, TROPOS): Nov 2018-Nov2021

Doppler lidar

upwind in-situ sampling by TROPOS cloud group

Polly^{XT} lidar

35 GHz cloud radar

Savernet lidar (UMAG)

Optical disdrometer

24 GHz micro rain radar

94 GHz cloud radar (LIM)

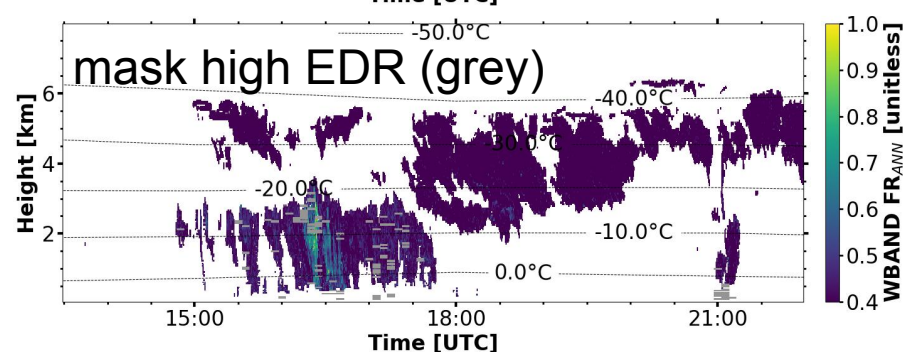
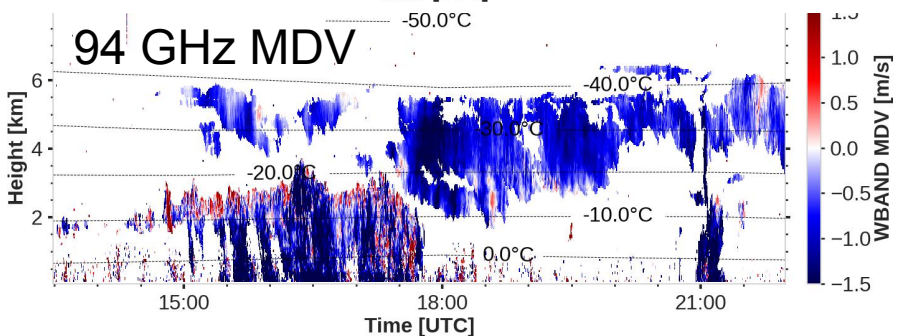
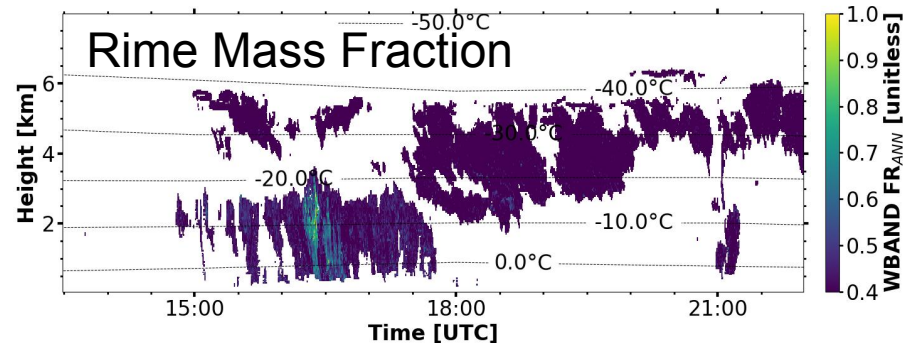
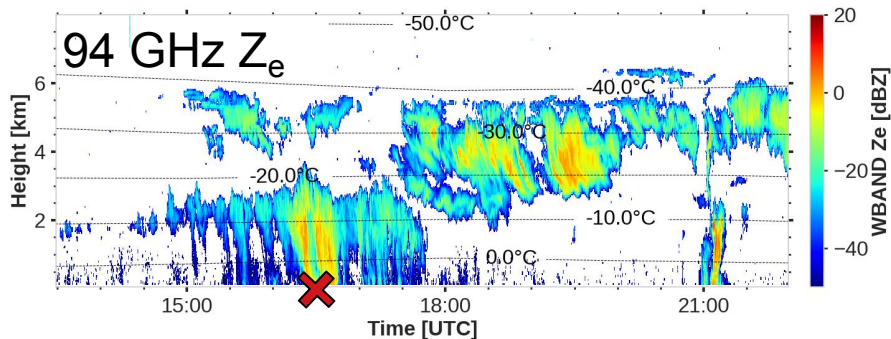
14 channel microwave radiometer

radiation station + sun photometer

Ceilometer

Application to Punta Arenas DACAPO-PESO data

Punta Arenas, 2019-02-21



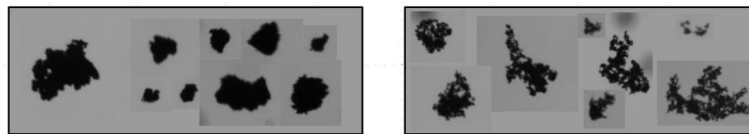
Vogl et al., 2022

EDR: Eddy Dissipation Rate

Application to Leipzig data

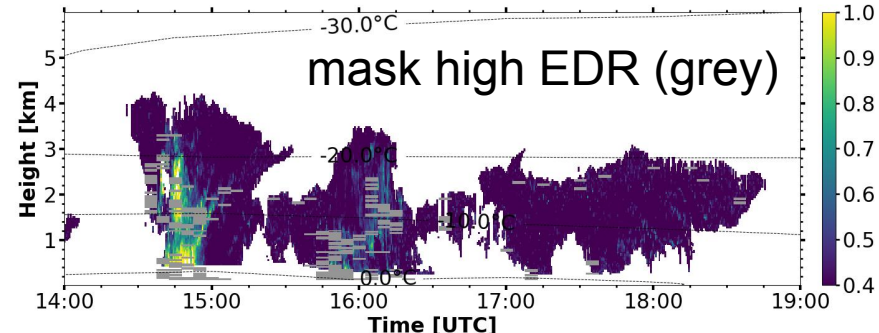
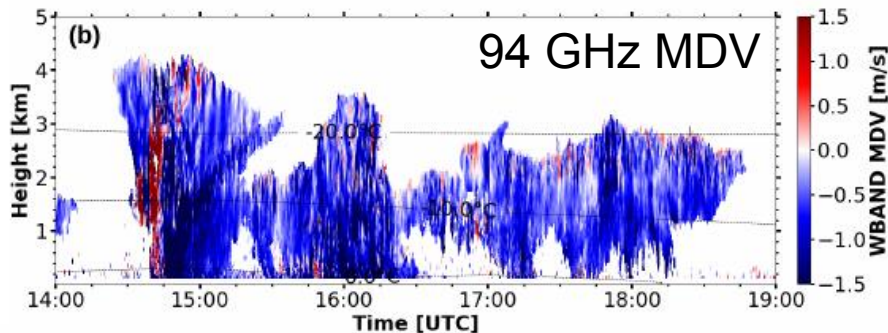
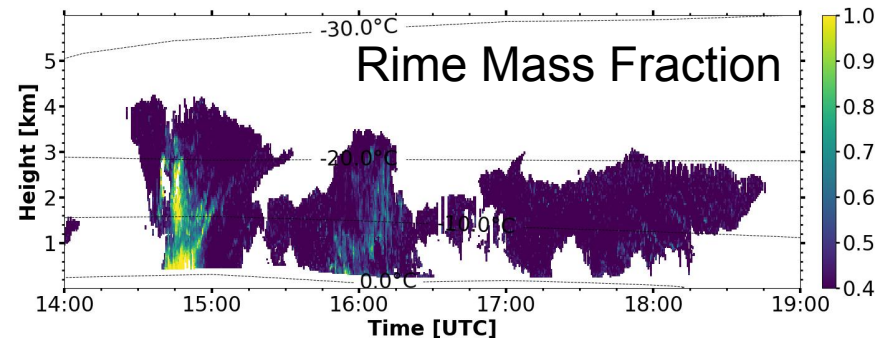
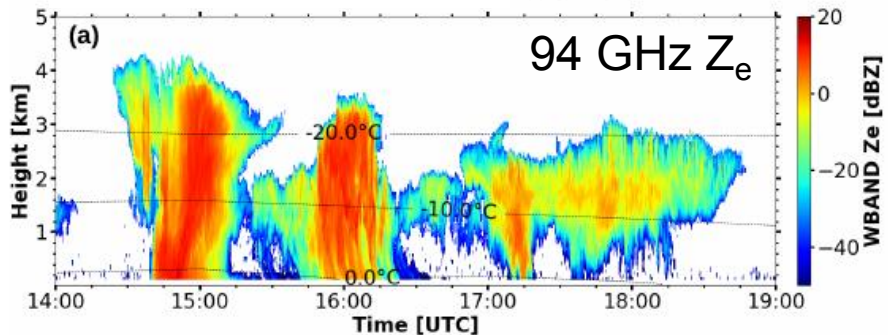
Leipzig, 2021-03-19

VISSS: Video-In Situ Snowflake Sensor



14:40 - 14:50 UTC

15:00 - 15:10 UTC



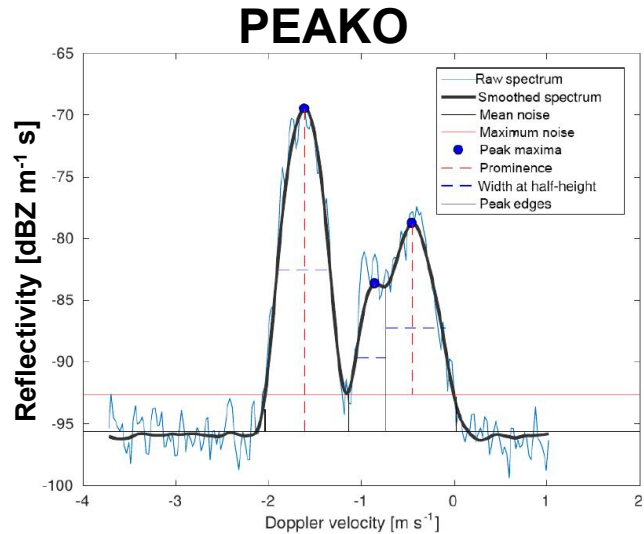
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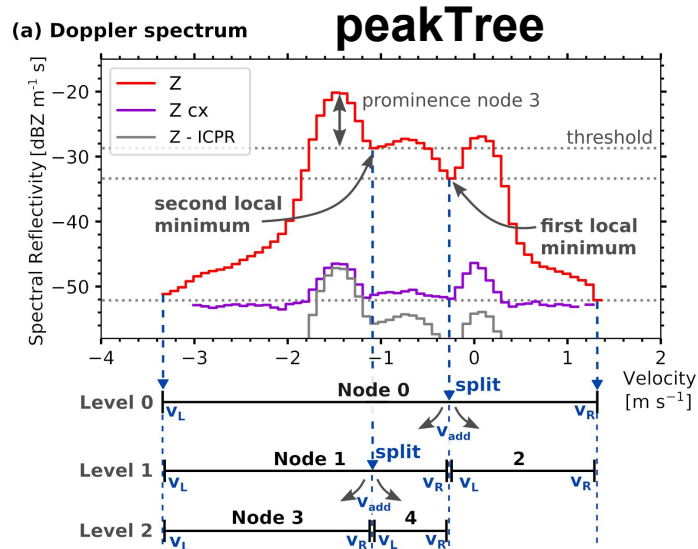
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PEAKO & peakTree: radar Doppler spectra peak finding and structuring

- Supervised peak detection using **PEAKO** (Kalesse et al., 2019) parameters: width, prominence, span for smoothing
- Representing sub-peaks in a binary tree structure using **peakTree** (Radenz et al., 2019)



Kalesse et al., 2019

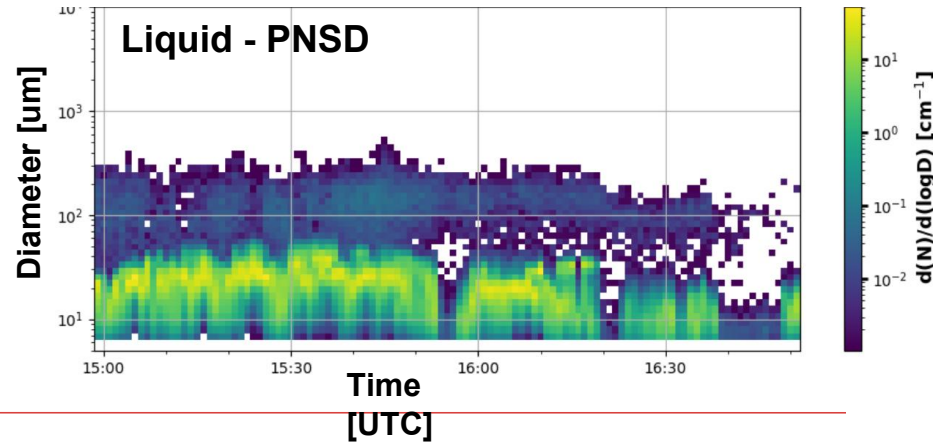
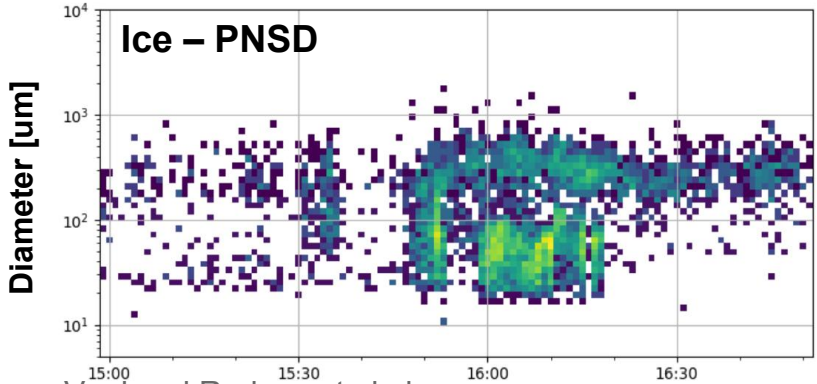
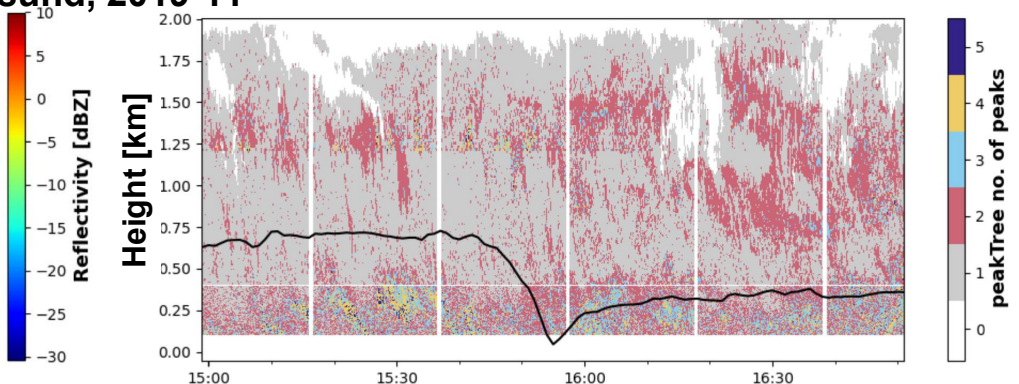
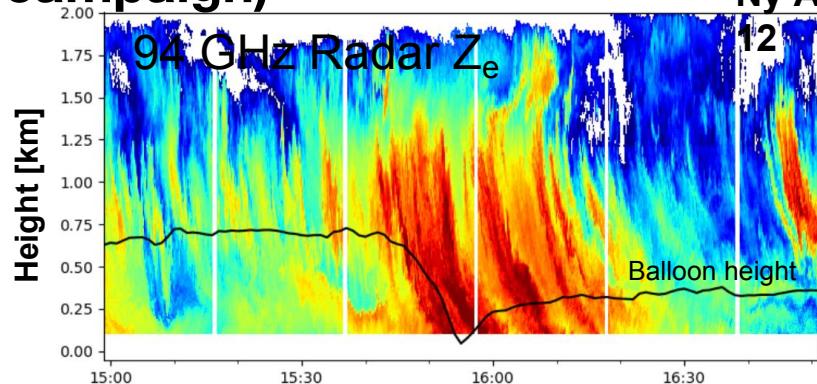


Radenz et al., 2019

Merging of
PEAKO &
peakTree in
progress

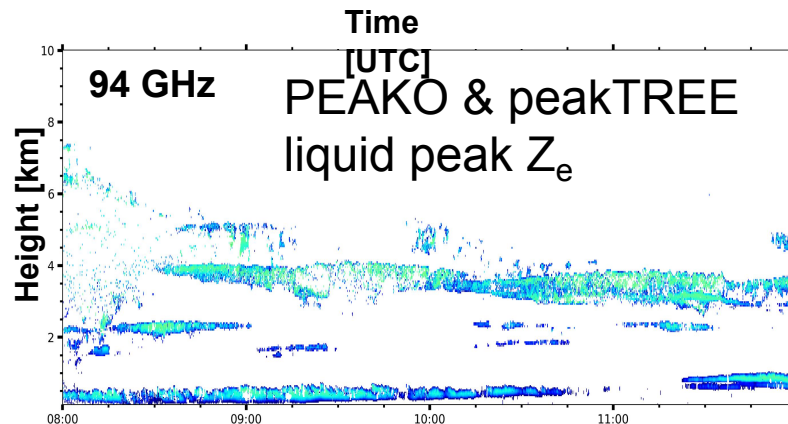
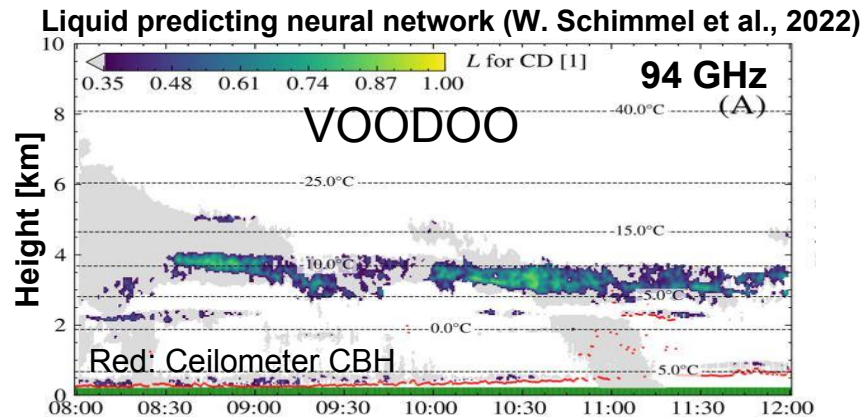
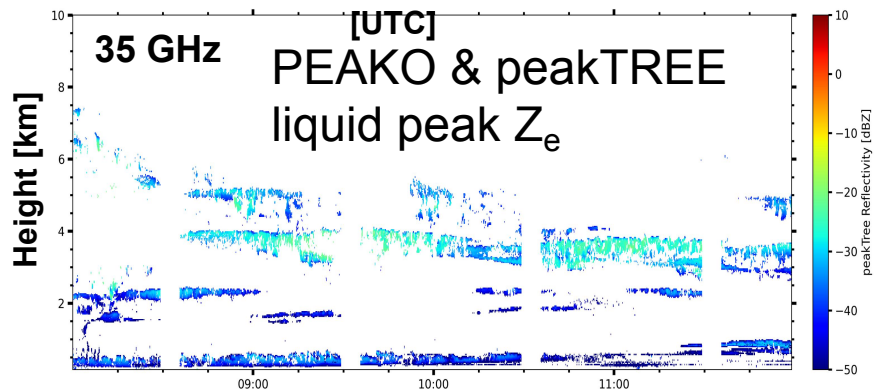
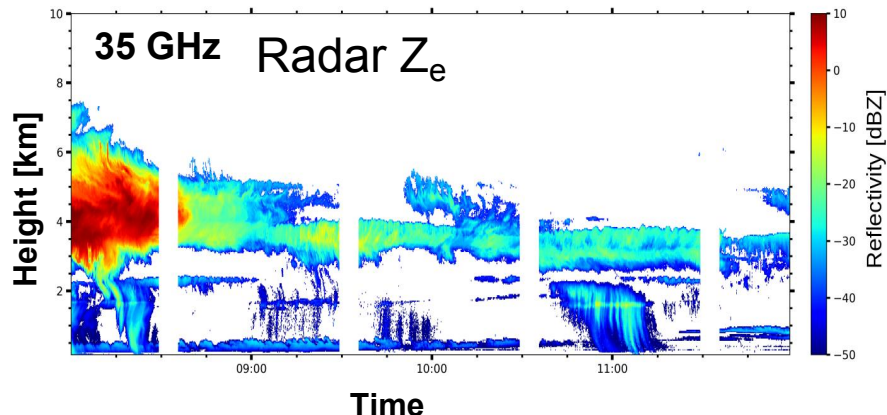
Validation with in-situ data: collaboration with Uni Cologne-NyA Remsens & ETH Zurich – tethered balloon-borne in-situ obs (NASCENT campaign)

Ny Alesund, 2019-11-



Vogl and Radenz et al., in prep.

Punta Arenas example (March 13, 2019): liquid peak detection and validation



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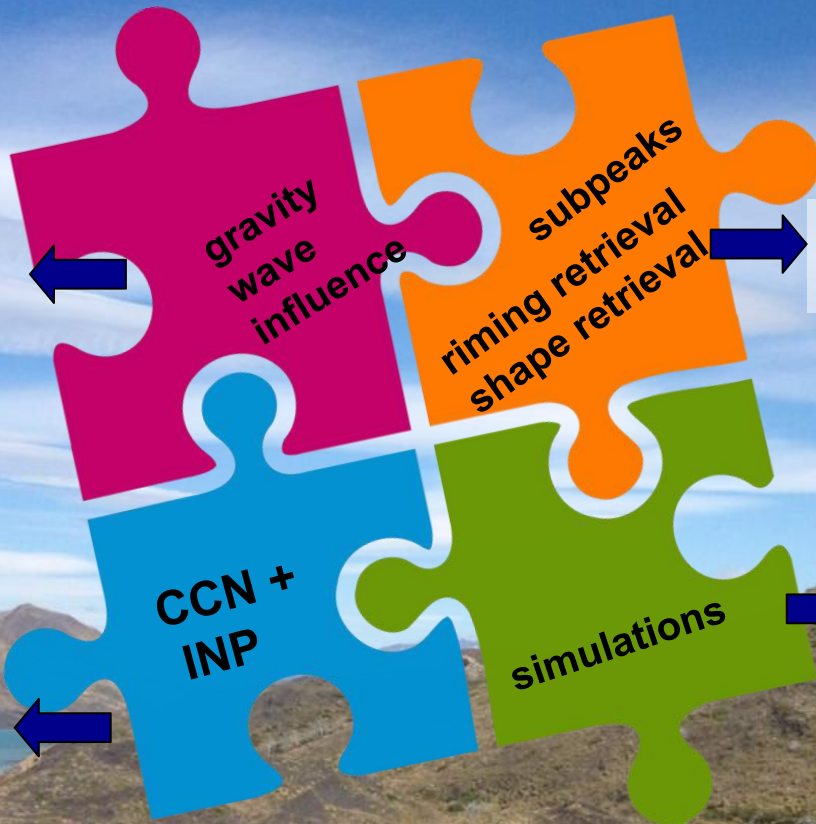
Bringing everything together...

How does aerosol influence riming?

- **Riming**: ANN-based cloud radar retrieval, vertical profiles of particle shape from cloud radar RHI scans (Audrey Teissiere)
- Information on **CCN / INP**: Can be derived from lidar profiles
 - (Mamouri & Ansmann, 2016; Gong et al., 2022)
- Representativity / **attribution**: NWP model runs (ICON or COSMO-SPECS)

Bringing everything together...possible collaborations of LIM and TROPOS

Martin Radenz
(TROPOS)



Willi Schimmel
(LIM)

TROPOS
lidar group

TROPOS modeling
group
SPOCC project ?

Thank you!



...Teresa is currently on PICNICC break
(on parental leave)
→ PhD project will be extended until
Fall 2023

BACKUP SLIDES

TRAINING DATA SET

