

- Which water-related limitation(s) in process-understanding, modeling, and monitoring in the Western U.S. and Canada require a large, 5-10 year integrated and interdisciplinary team approach?

## Water Availability

How much, Where, When, Access, “If”?

**fluxes, storage and redistribution, timing**

**white water,**

**blue water, greenwater,**

**brownwater**

**pipewater**

## Multiscale, Multiphysics, Multimedia

(models and observations)

Organization

**Cross-Scale Consistency and Transfers (nm-continental scale)**

## Technology

Remote Sensing

Science-Grade Multiscale Integrated Sensors

Modeling – Parameterizations, Numerics, Hardware, DATA

**[iphex.pratt.duke.edu](http://iphex.pratt.duke.edu)**

8 years, hourly, 1 km resolution

50 hourly ensembles at 1 km resolution.... Could generate more

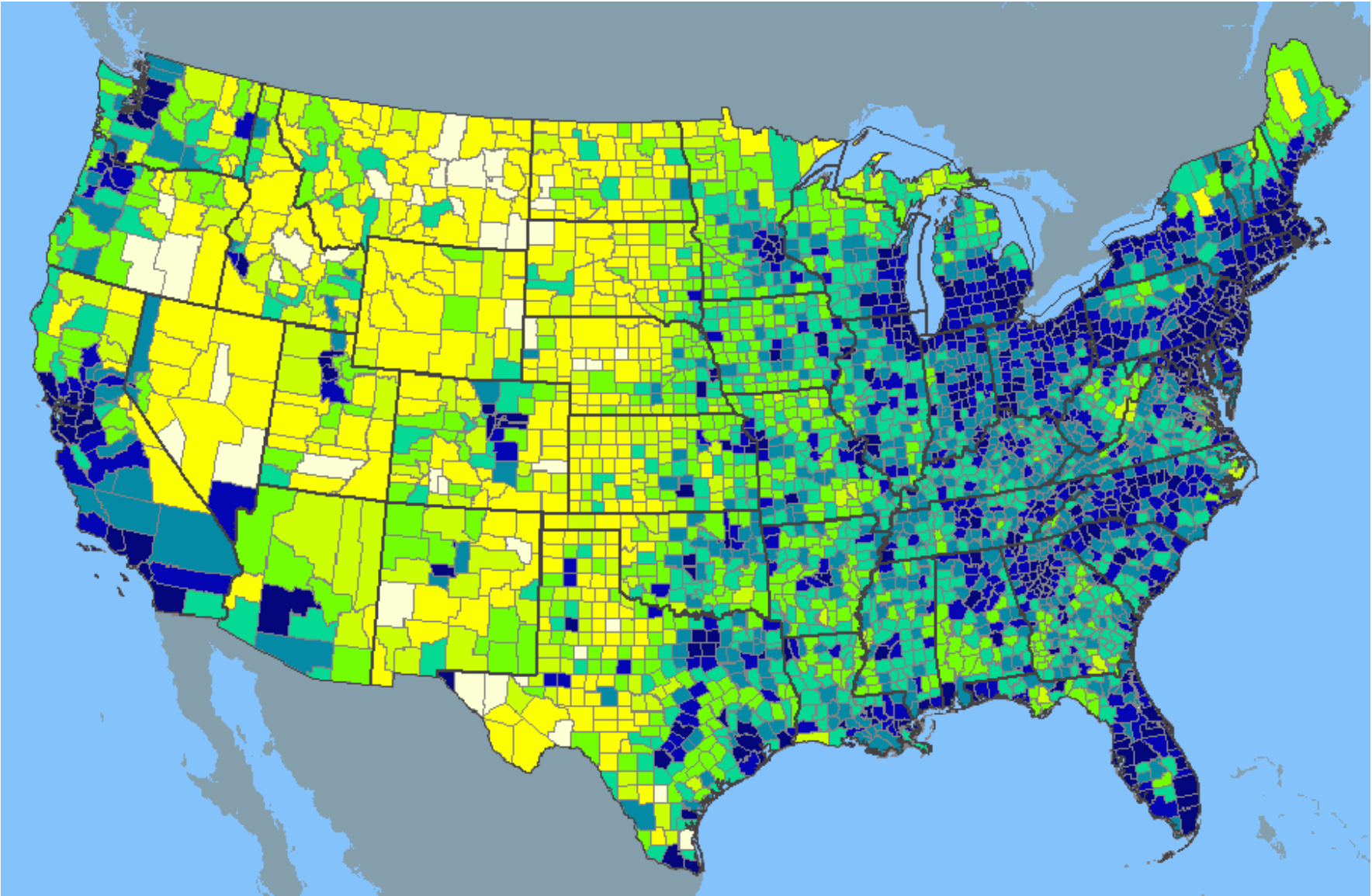
Also at 250 m resolution



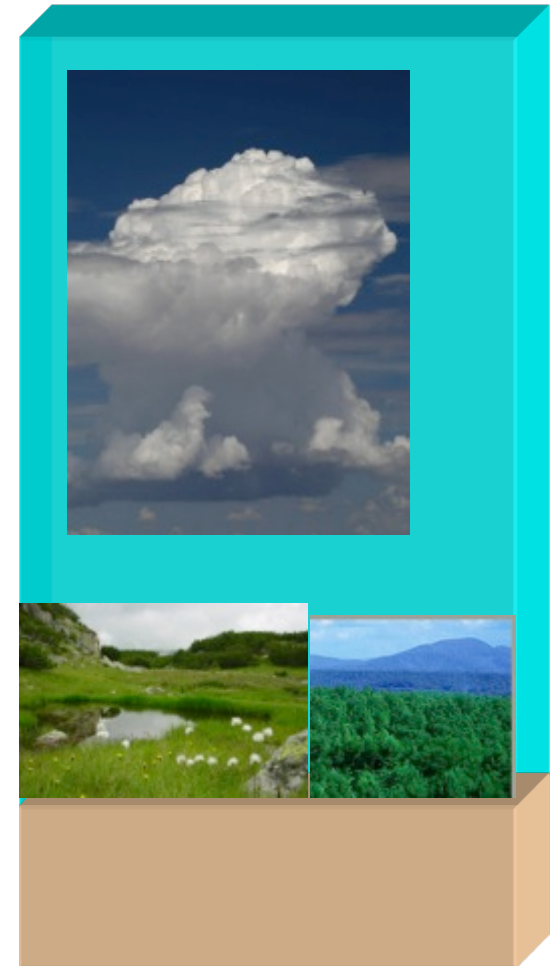
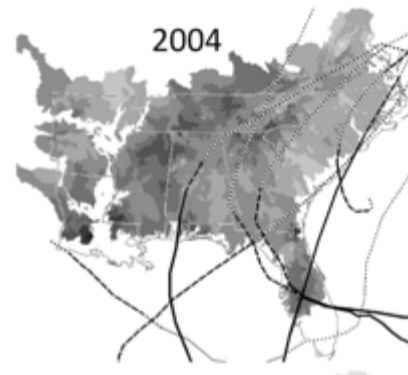
# Outline

- Mutiscale Observations – Processes/Rates/Thresholds
- Imperfect Models
- Multiscale Physics
- Process Controls at Small/Short Scales
- Emergent Dynamical Organization at Large/Long Scales

# US Population Density



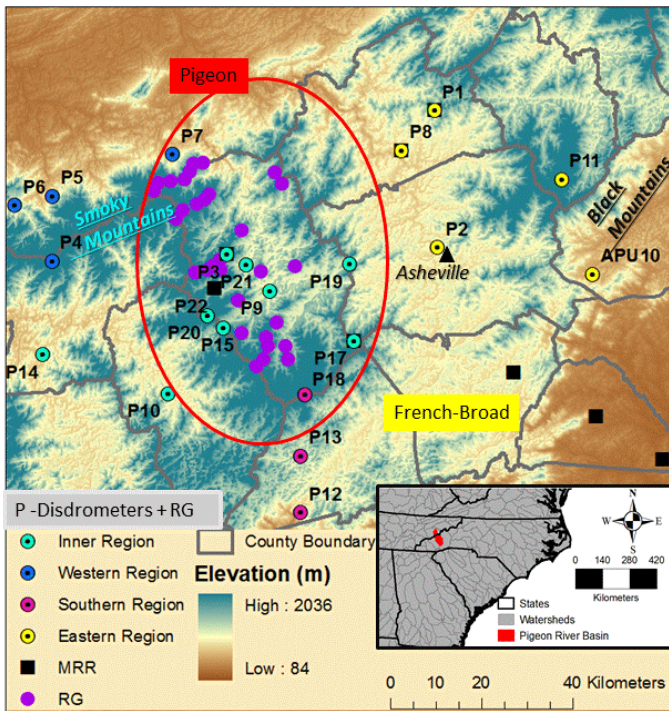
# Mapping and Understanding Nonlinearity and Multiscale Memory



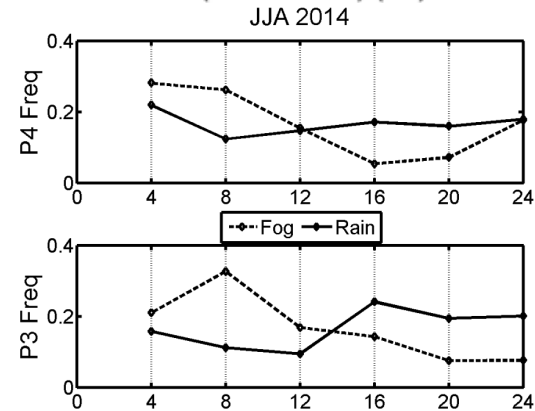
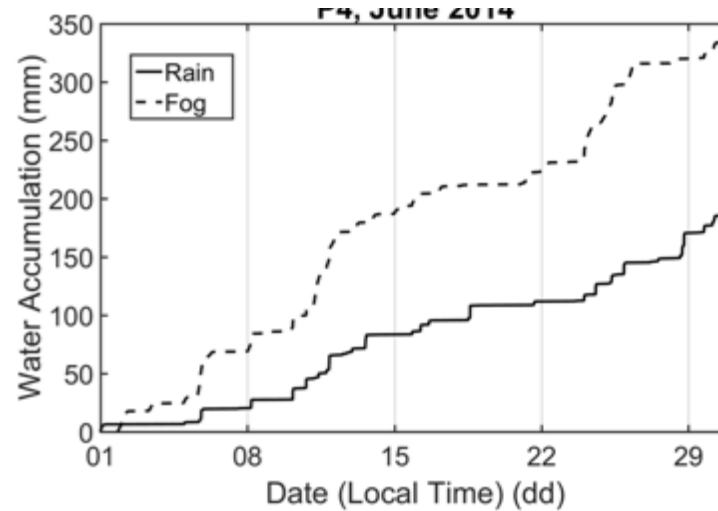
# Low Level Cloud Immersion

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Southern Appalachian Mountains

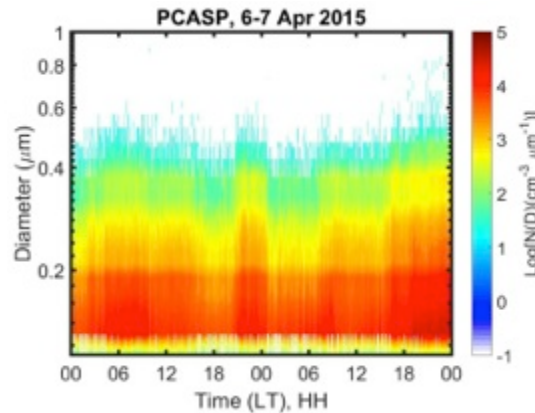
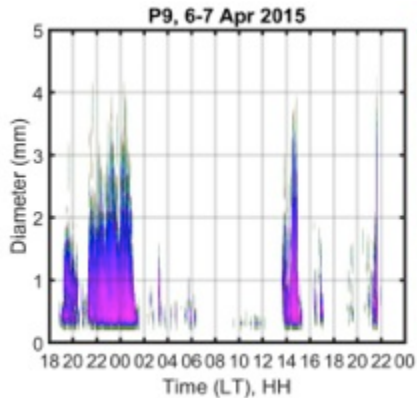
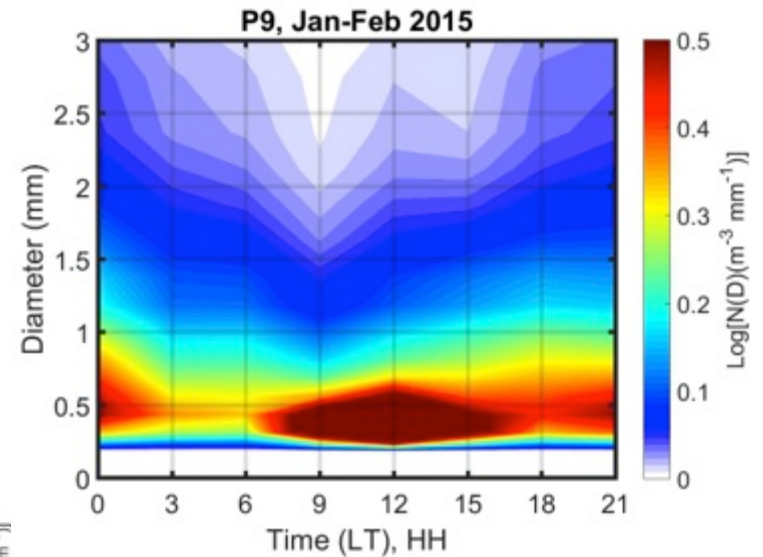
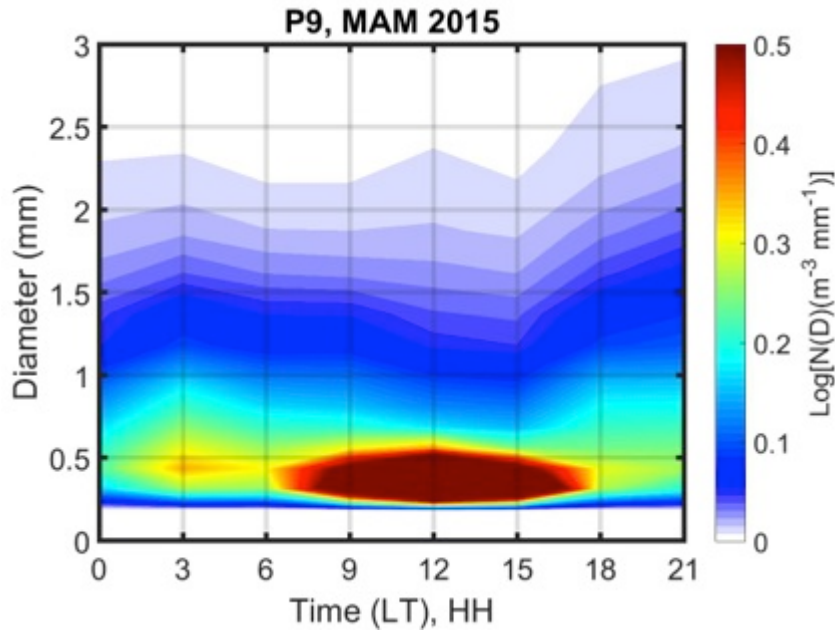
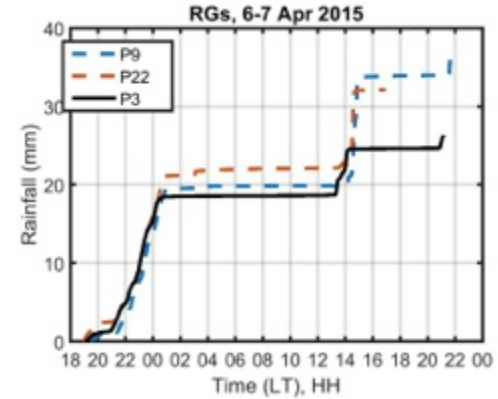


Clingman's Dome, P4, June 2014

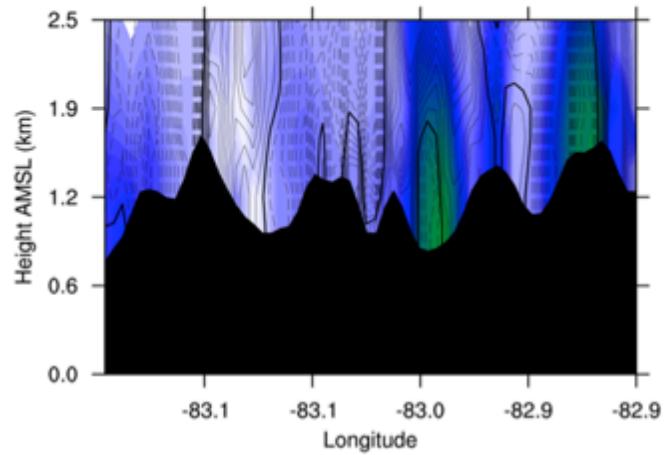


Time (End Hours, LT)

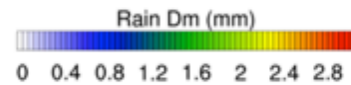
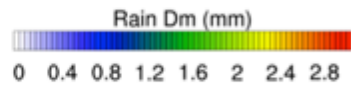
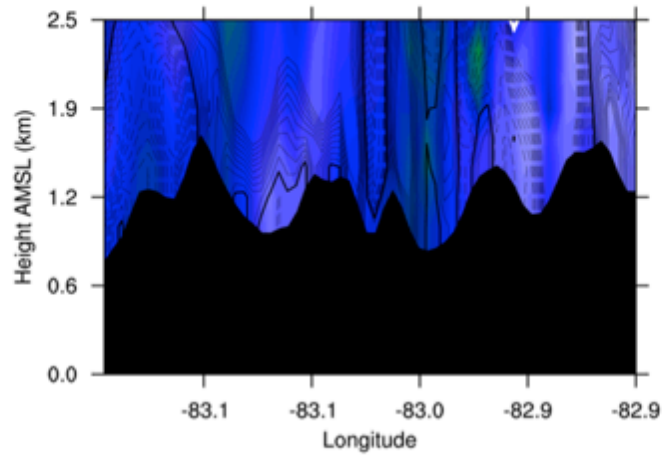
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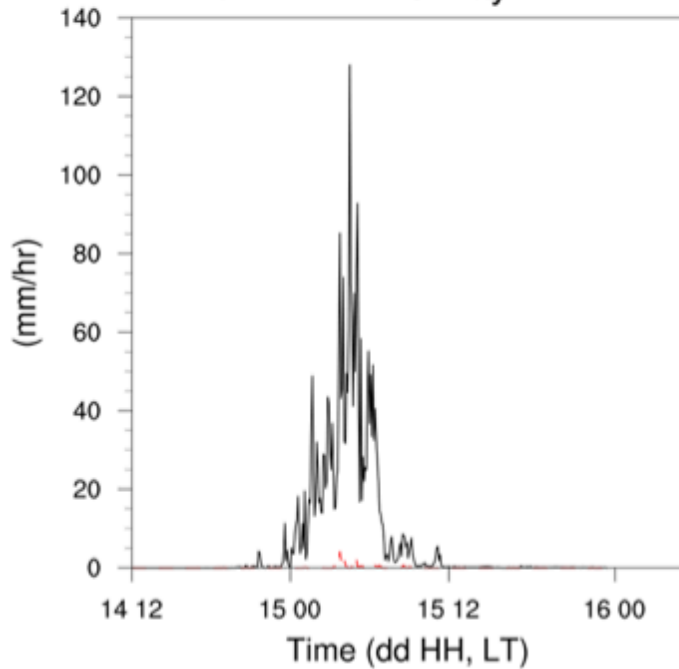
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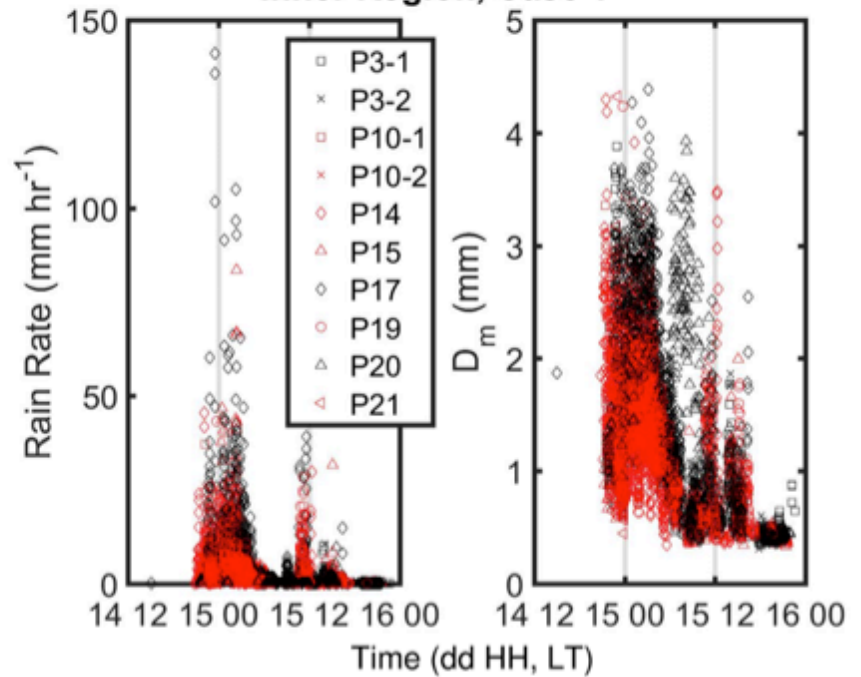
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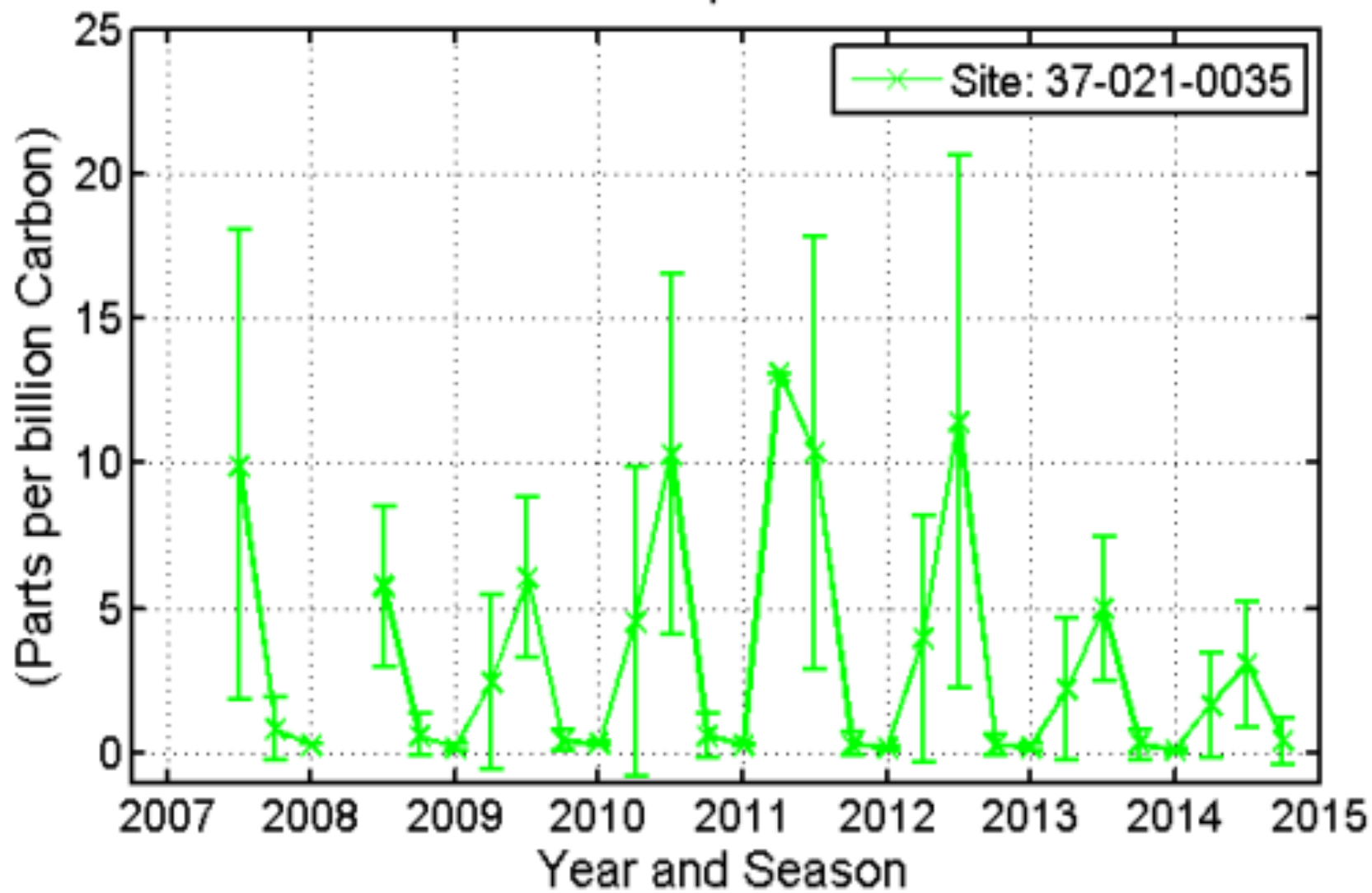


Inner Region, Case 1





# Seasonal Mean Isoprene Concentration

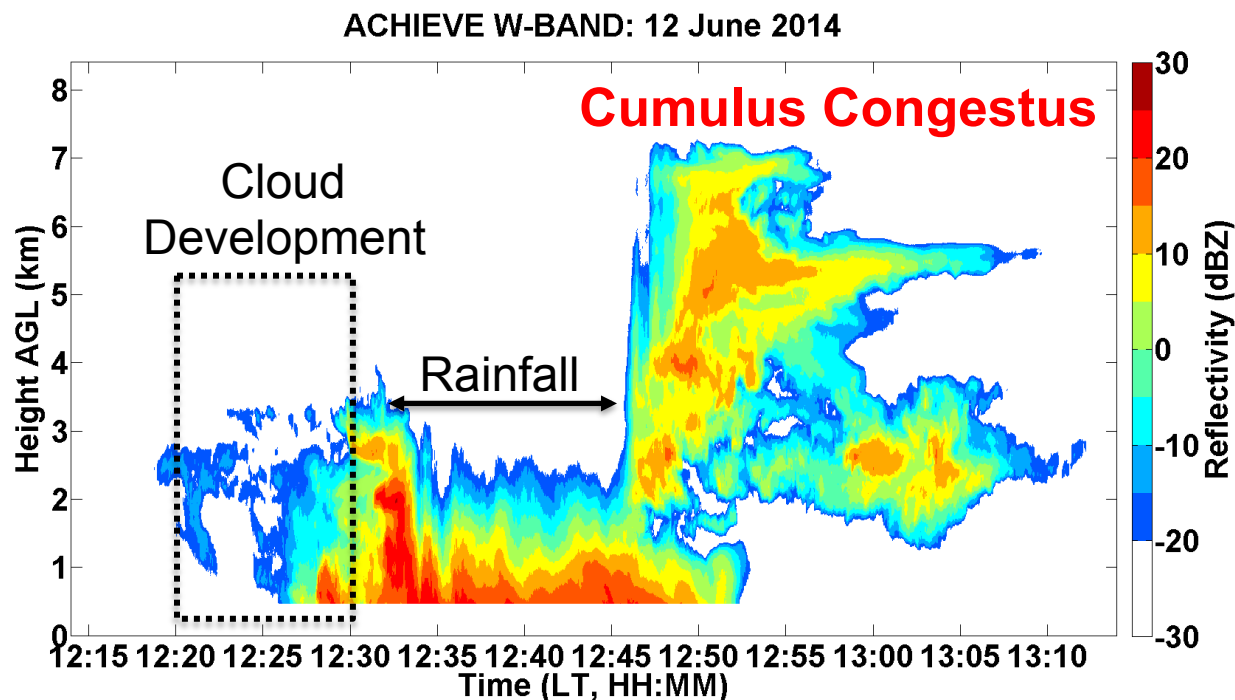


# Case Study during IPHEX

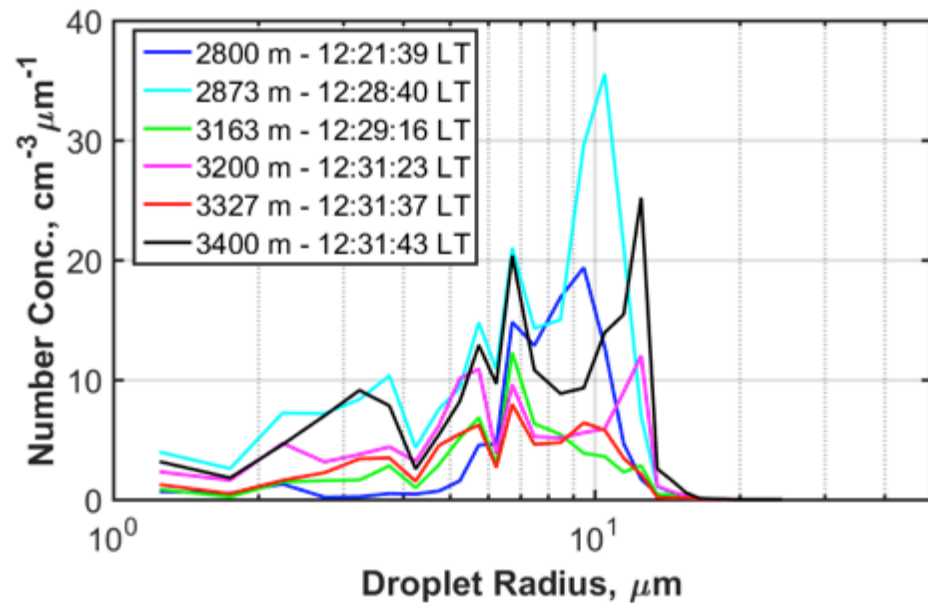
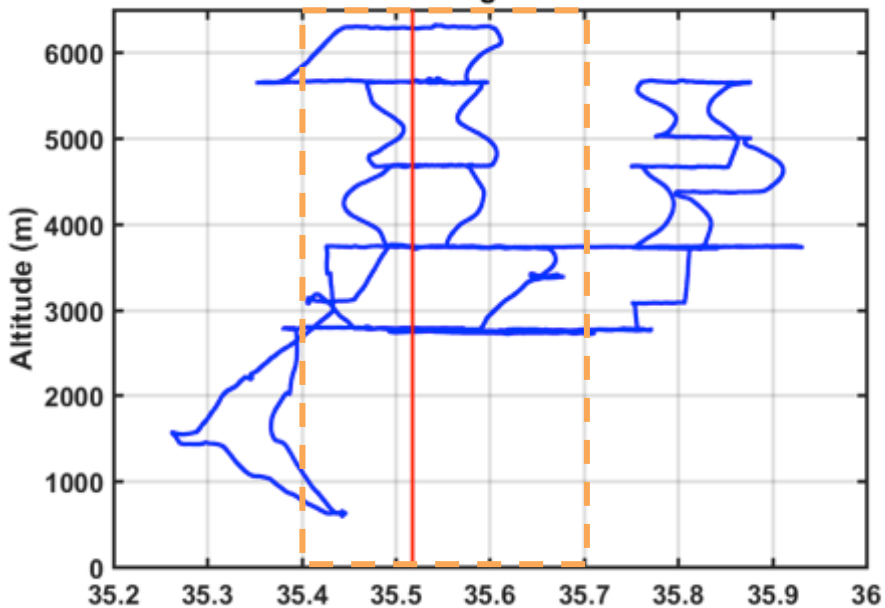
- Atmospheric Thermodynamic State: WRF sounding  
(horizontal res. = 250 m; vertical res. = 30 m)
- Cloud base height (CBH): WRF sounding and ceilometer
- Aerosol Properties: Aerosol number distribution, hygroscopic parameters ( $\kappa$ ) at the surface

## Model Run Setup:

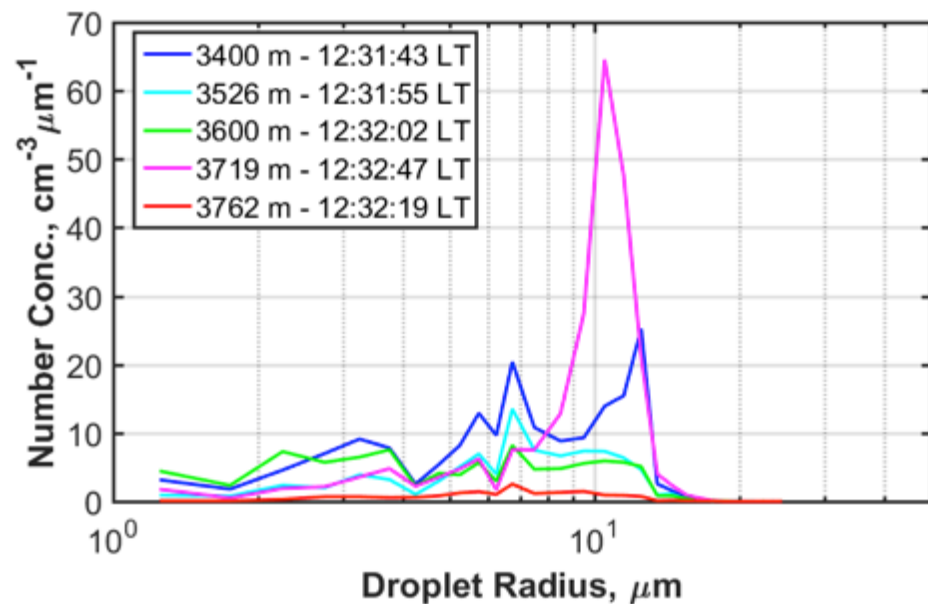
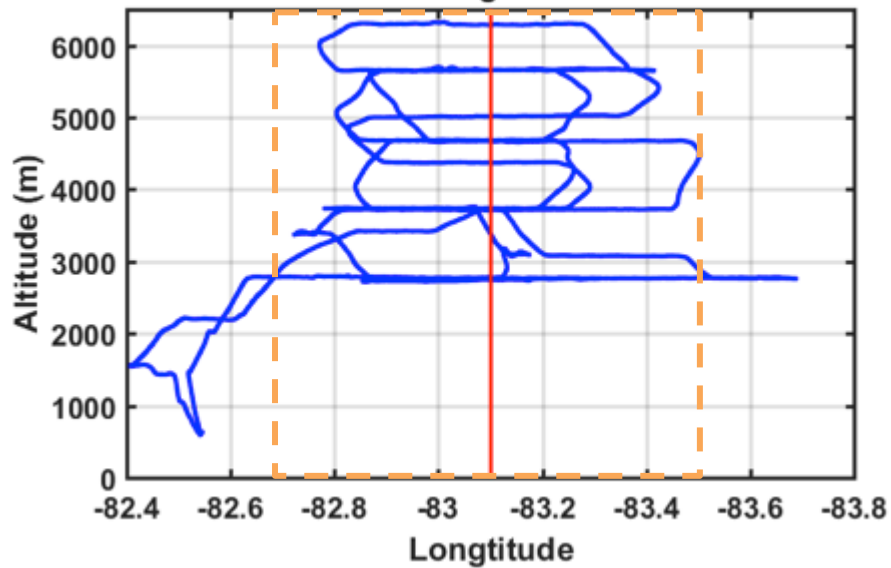
- $V_0 = 2.0$  m/s
- CBH = 2550 m
- $R = 1000$  m
- $T_0 = 0.5 \text{ K} > T_{\text{env}}$
- 200 bins, geometric grid

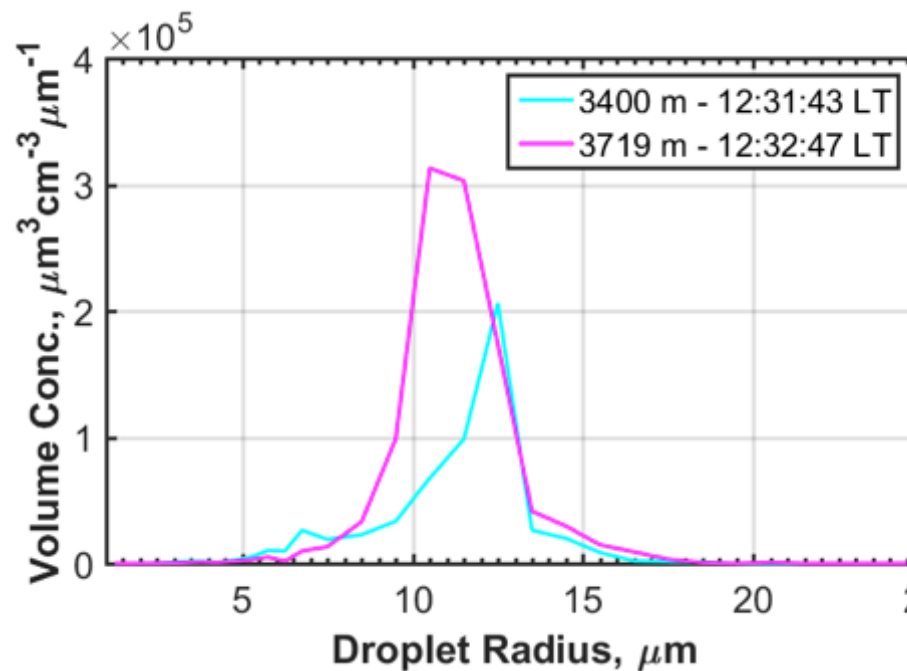
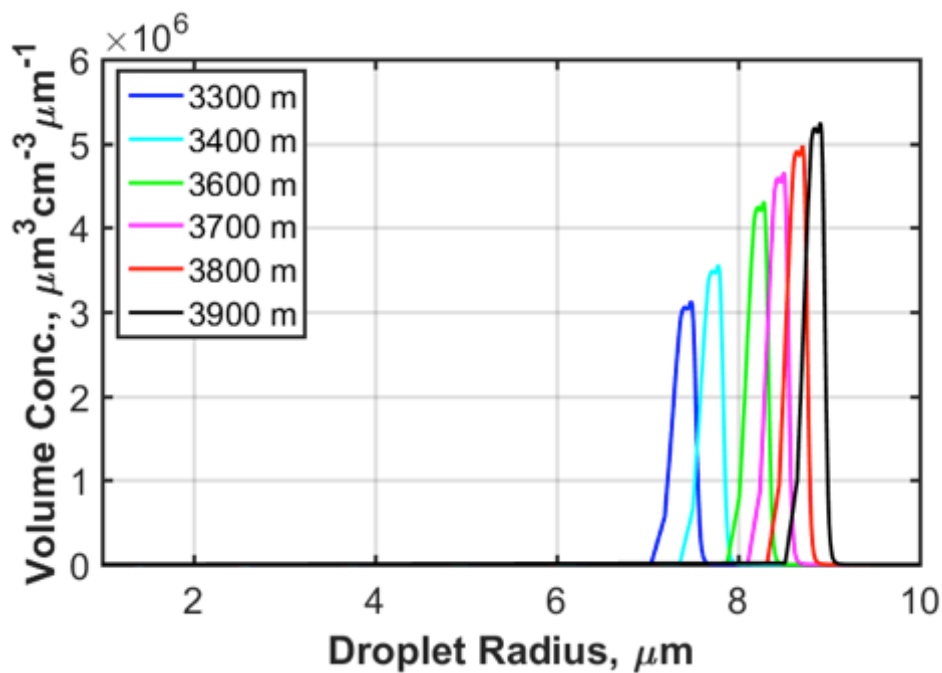
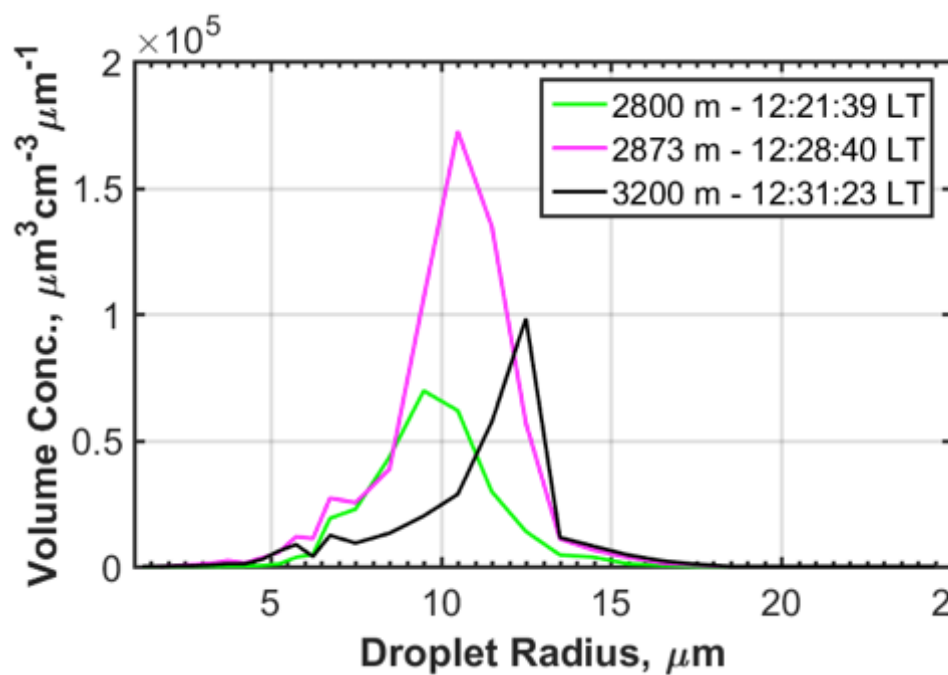
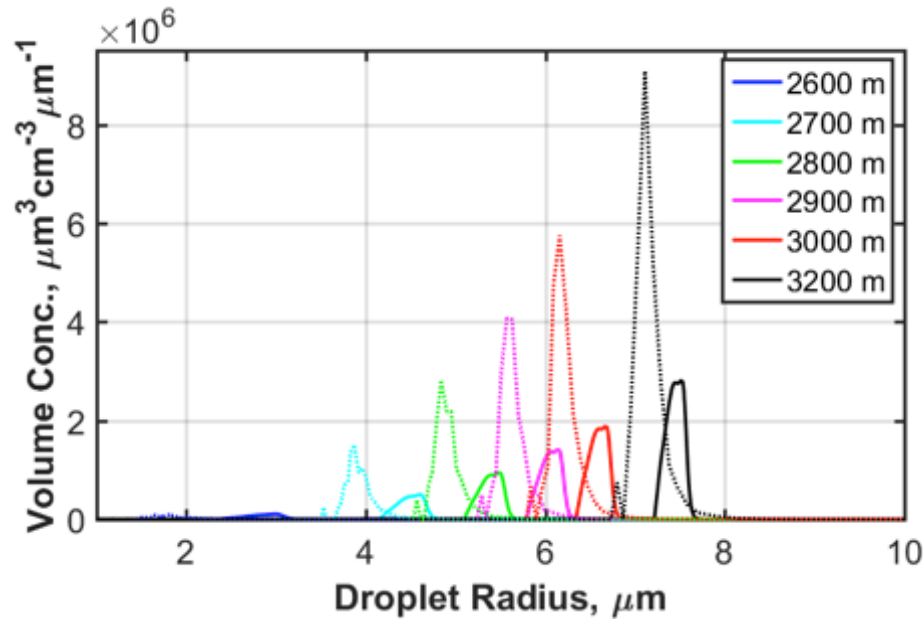


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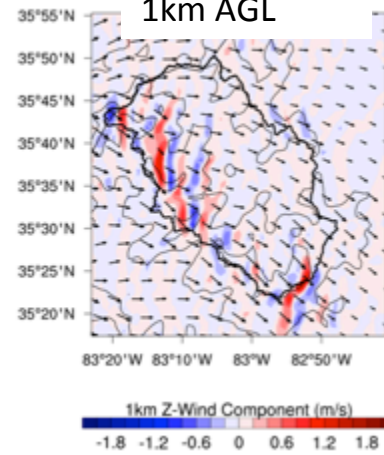
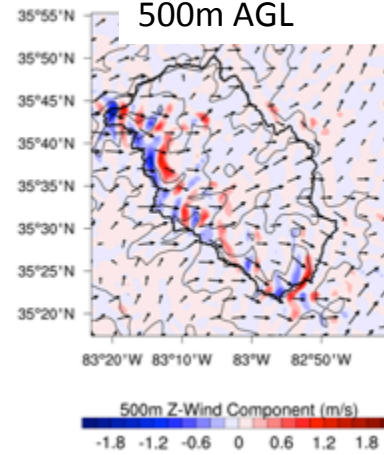
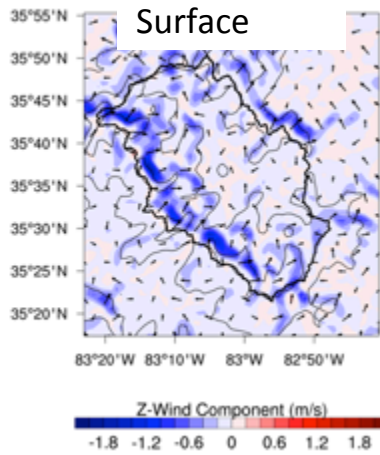


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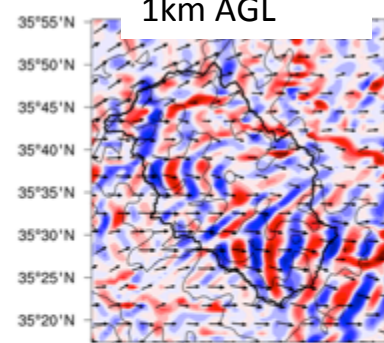
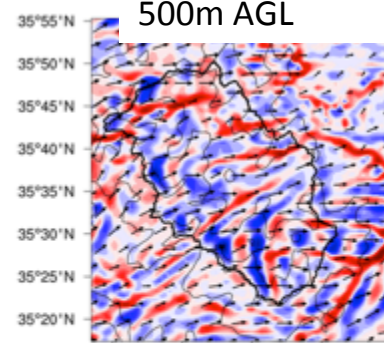
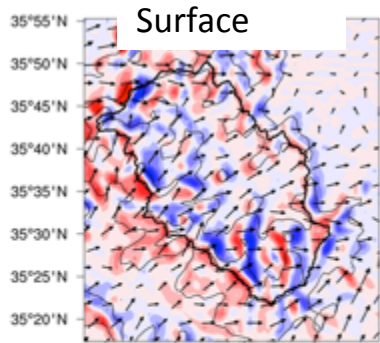
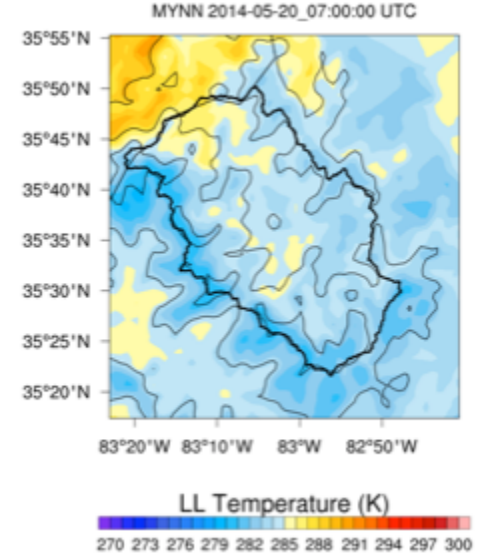




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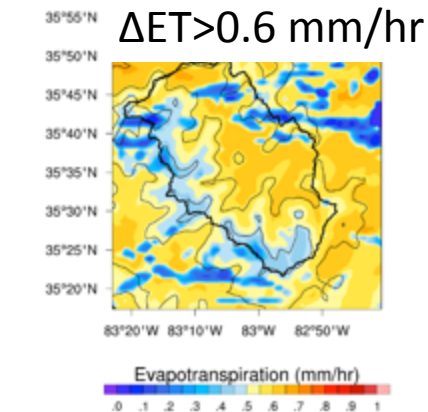
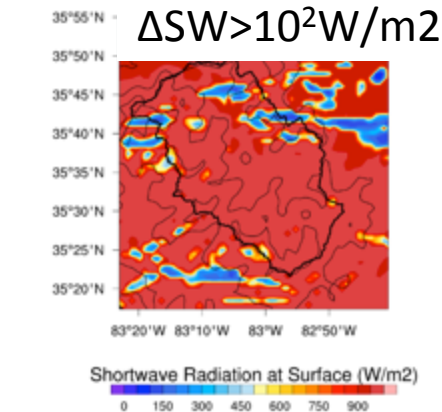
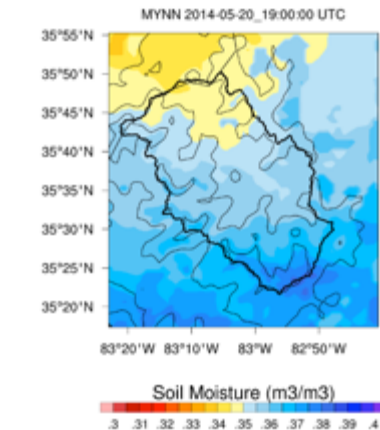
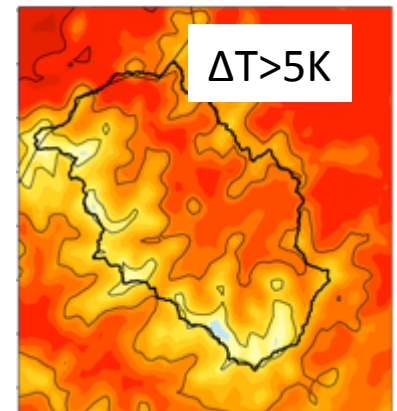


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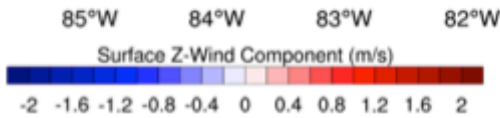
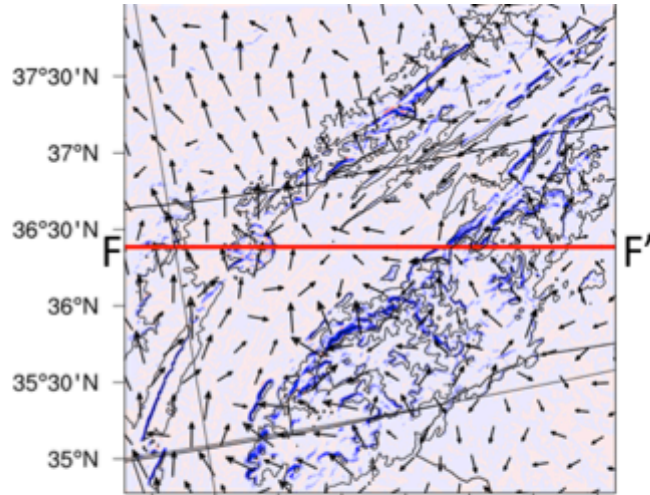


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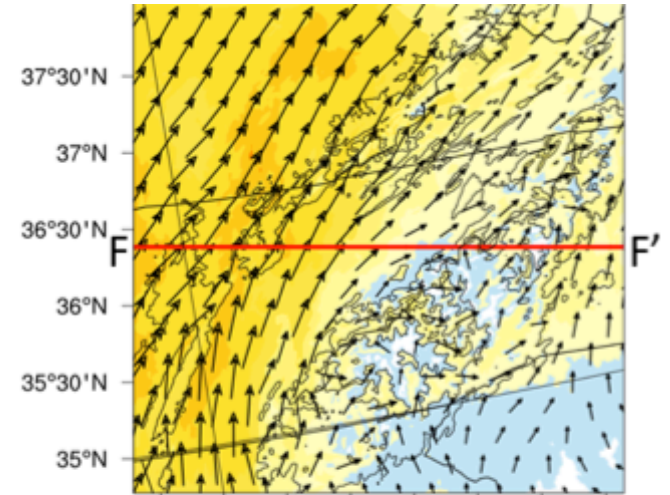
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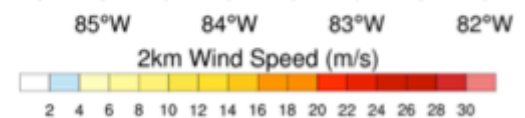
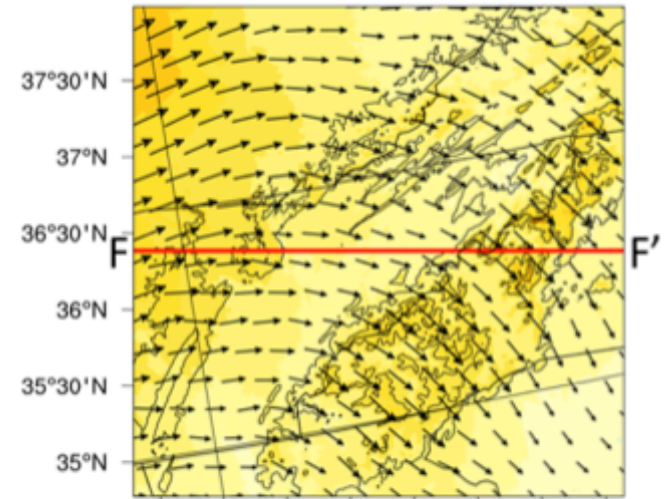
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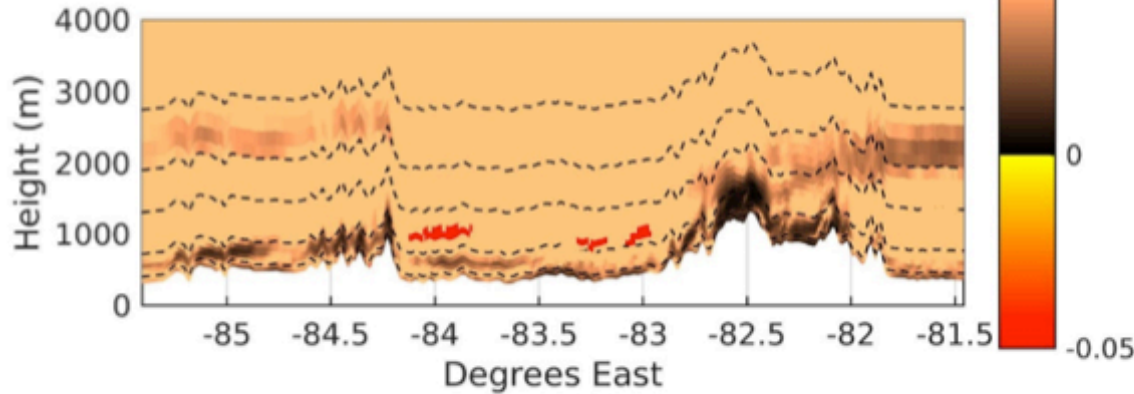
$$Fr^2 = \frac{U_*^2}{h^2 N_m^2}$$



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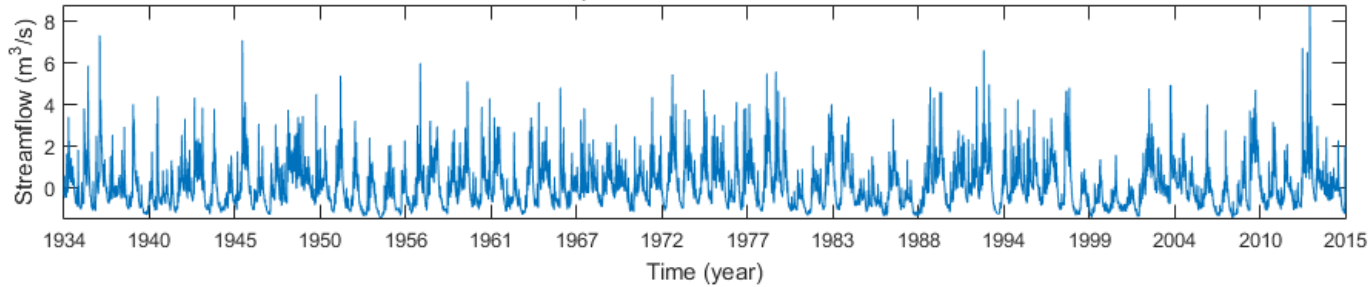


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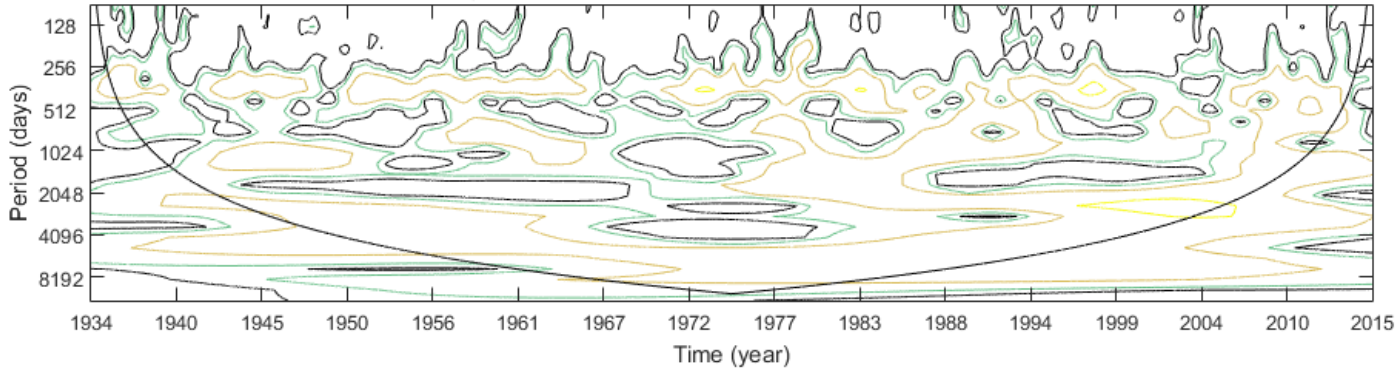


# 2. Coupled Human and Natural Systems

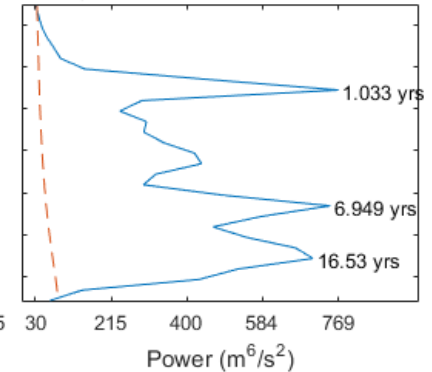
a) MRB Subsurface Flow



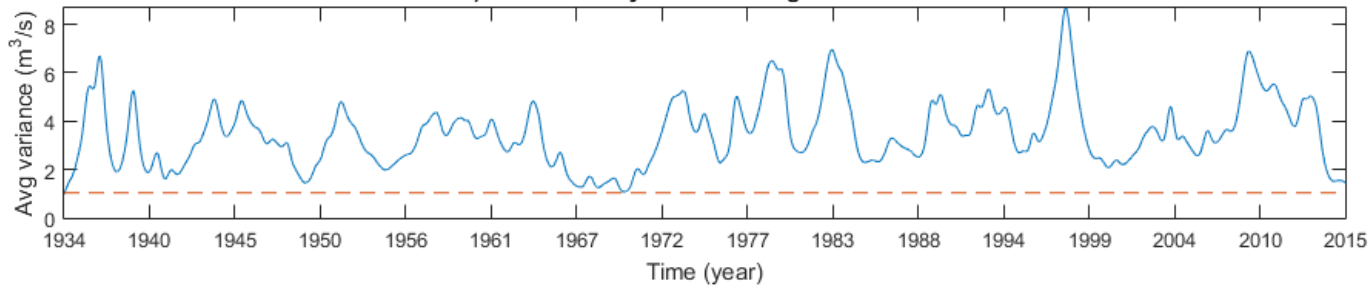
b) MRB Subsurface flow Wavelet Power Spectrum



c) Global Wavelet Spectrum

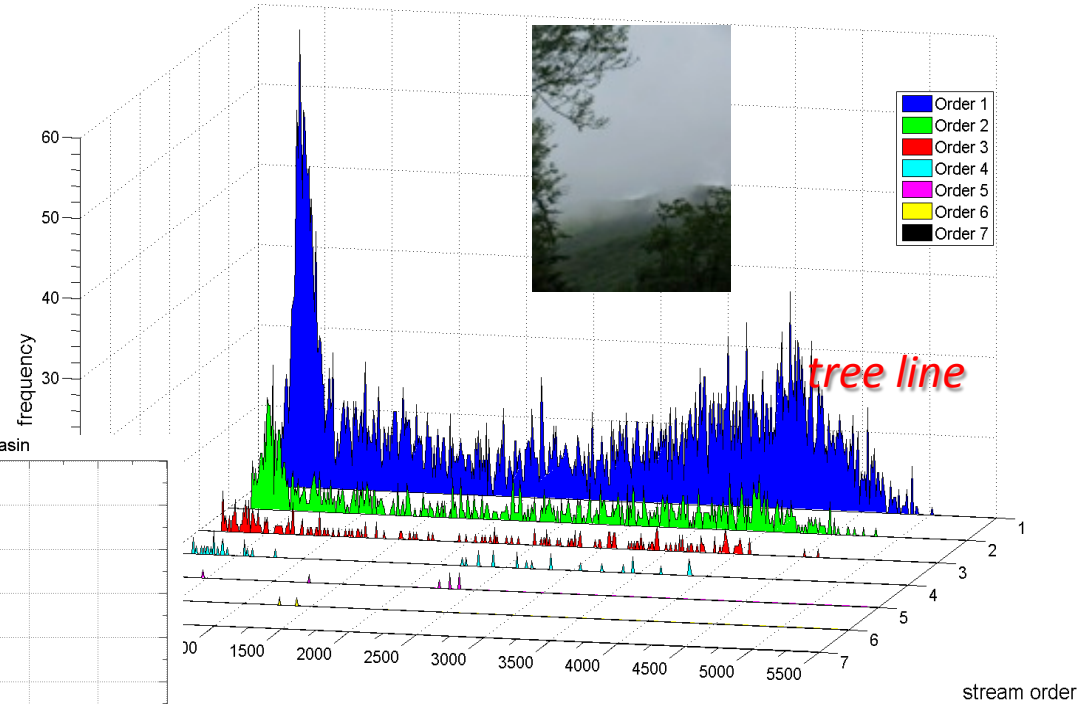


d) 1 month - 10 yr Scale-average Time Series

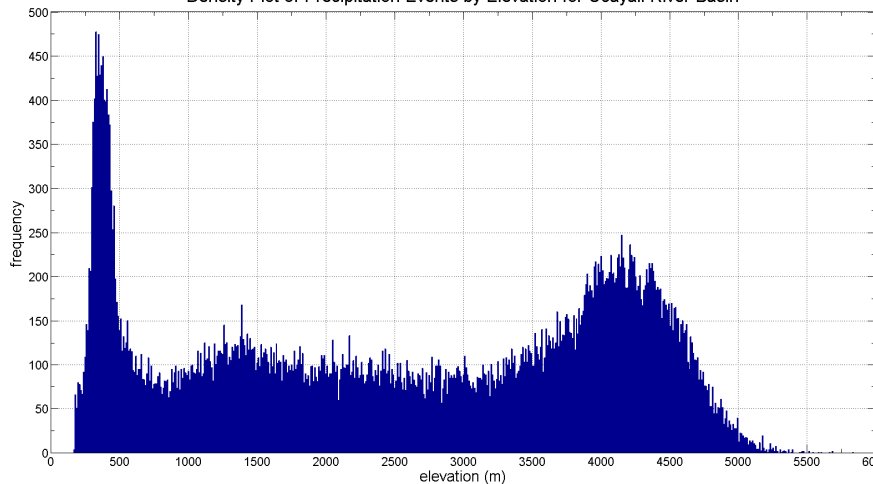


# Multiscale Precipitation Processes Over Mountain Terrain – Landform and Vegetation Controls of Microphysics and Convection i

Histogram of Outlet Elevation for entire 7th Order Watershed



Density Plot of Precipitation Events by Elevation for Ucayali River Basin

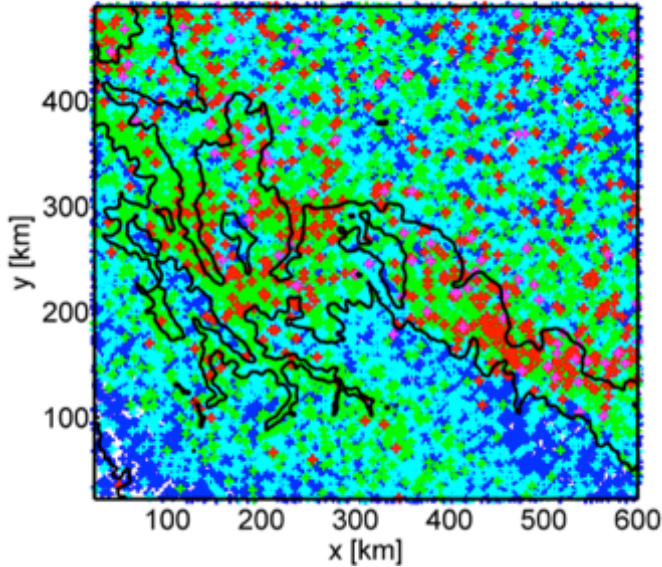


Lowman and Barros, 2014 JGR

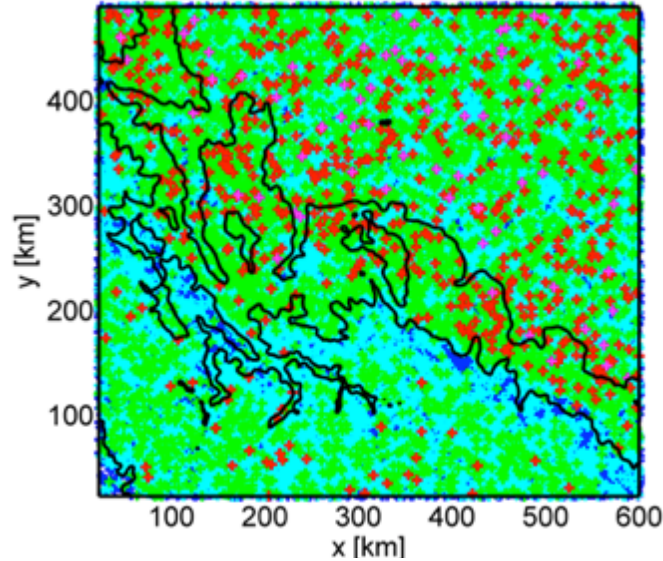


# TRMM Rainfall (13 years)

a) nighttime



b) daytime



Precipitation

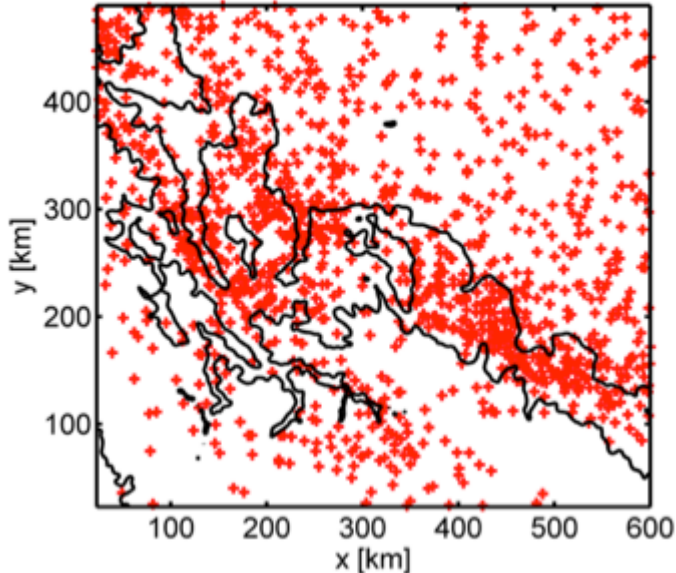
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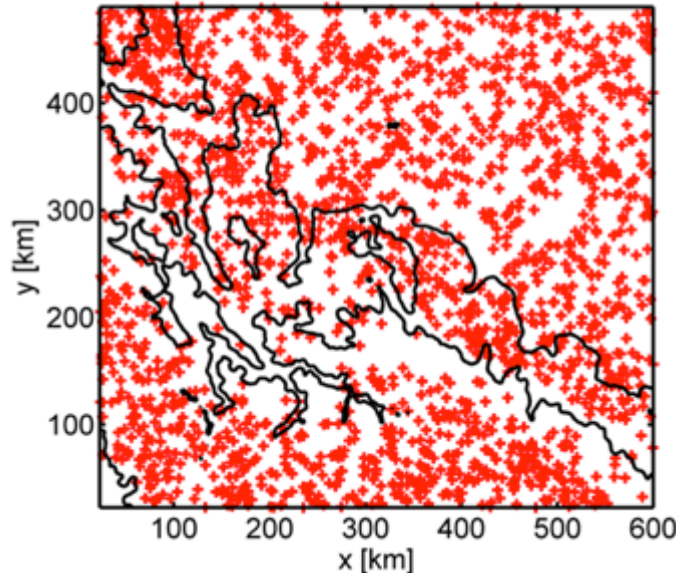
50-300% error

■ m/yr

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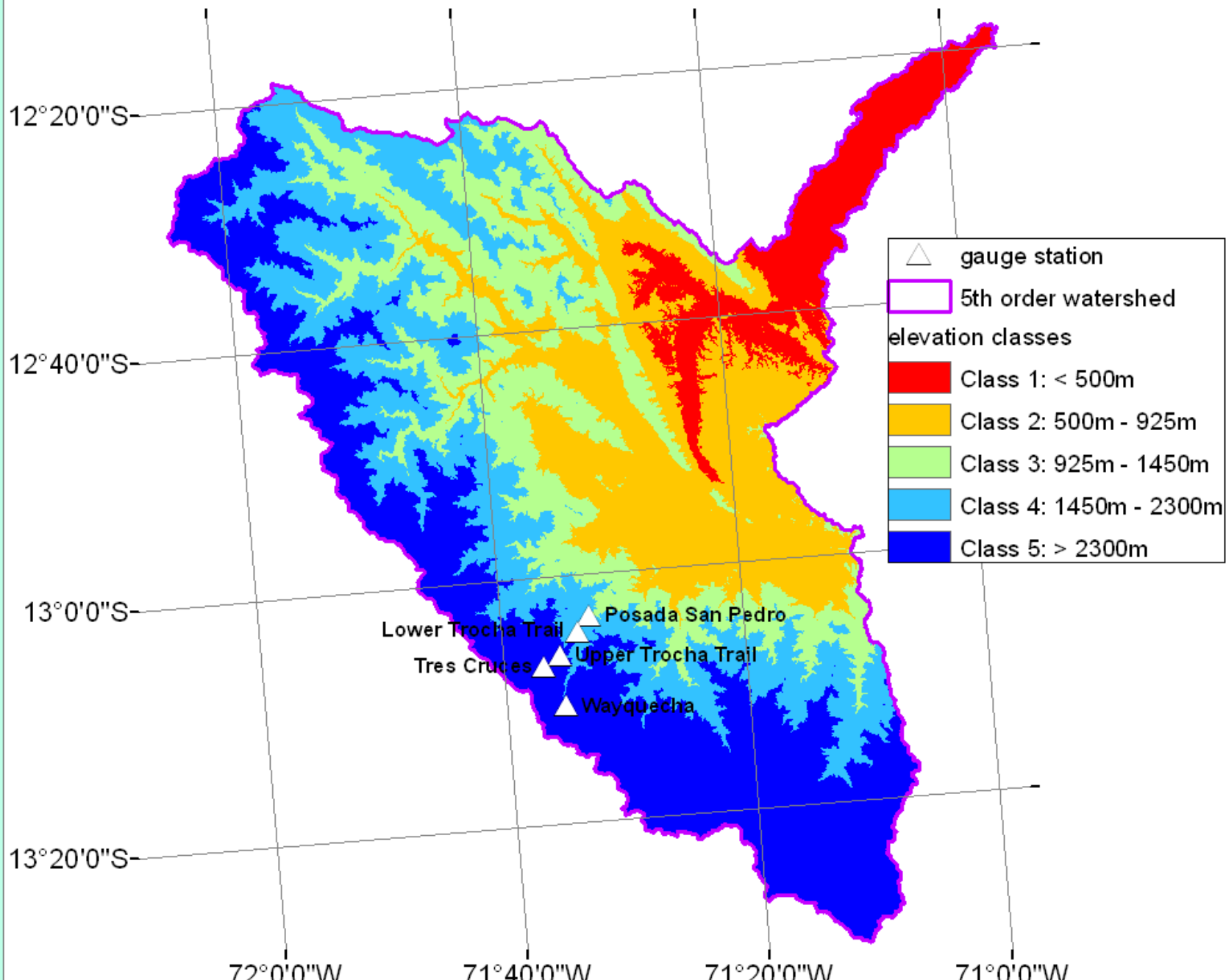


b) daytime

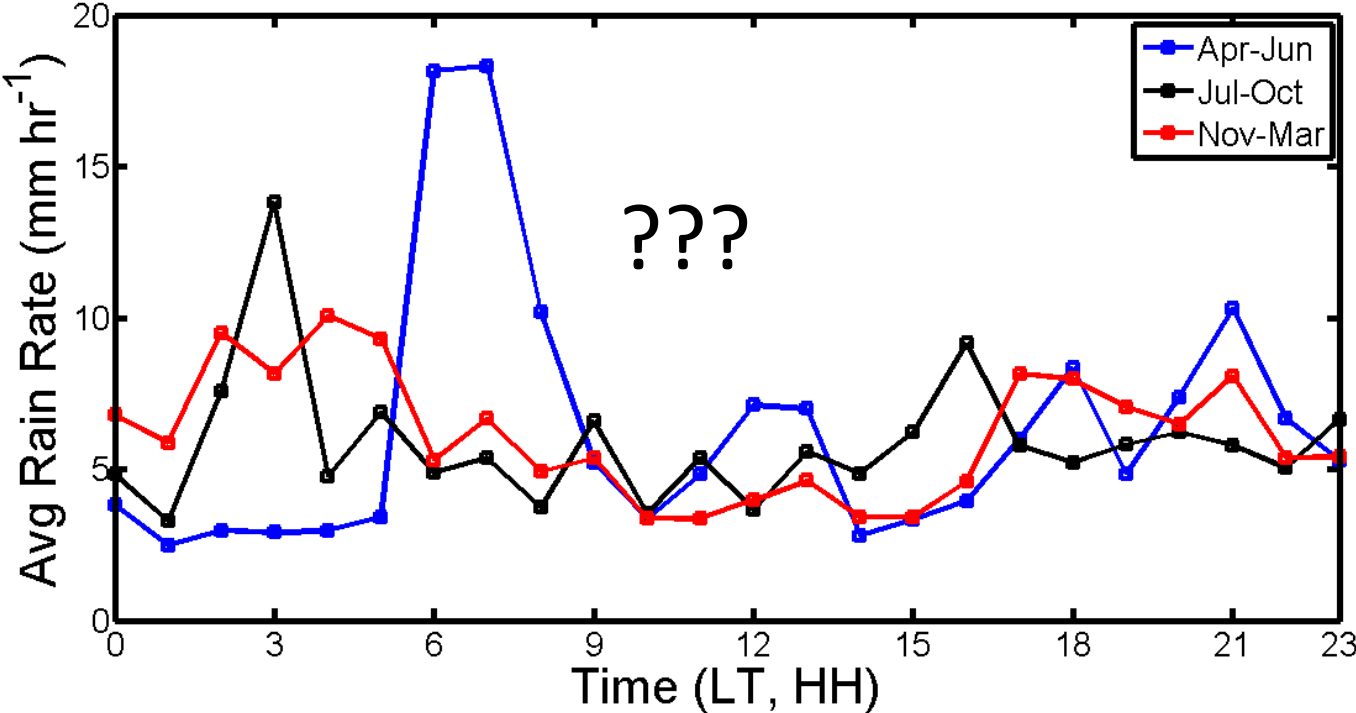


**Spatial Composite  
of Convective  
Features**

# Locations of Rain Gauge Stations in Madre de Dios River Basin in Andes Mountains



# Cloud Forest

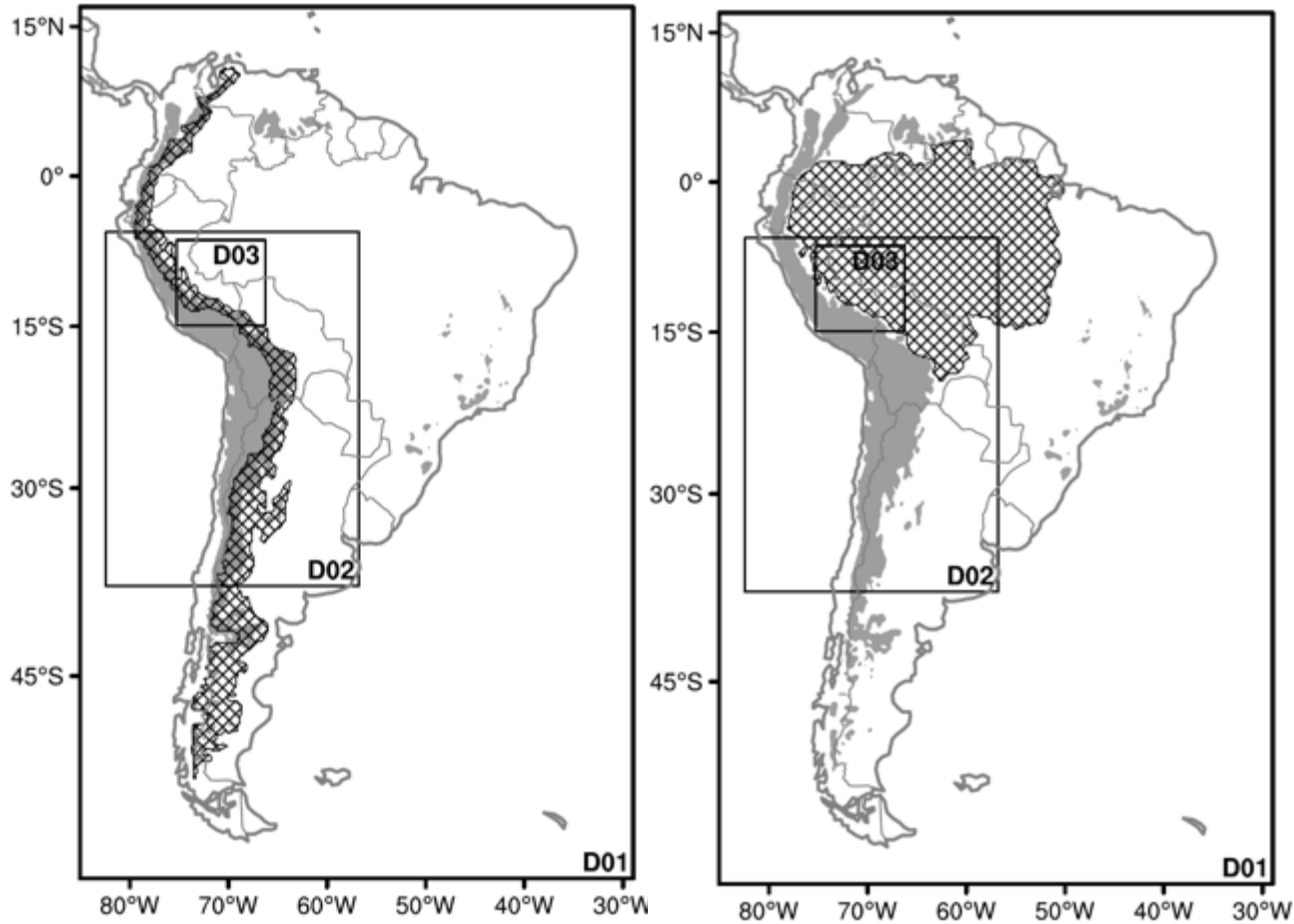


# Land-Atmosphere Interactions

ET Suppression Experiments Using WRF

**EADS**

**AMZL**



Atmospheric profiles

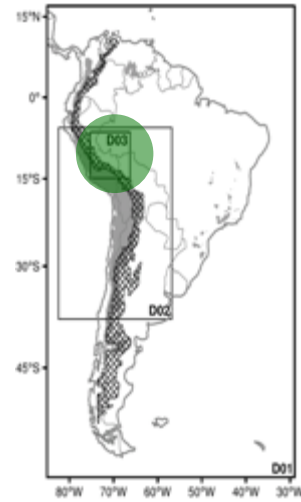


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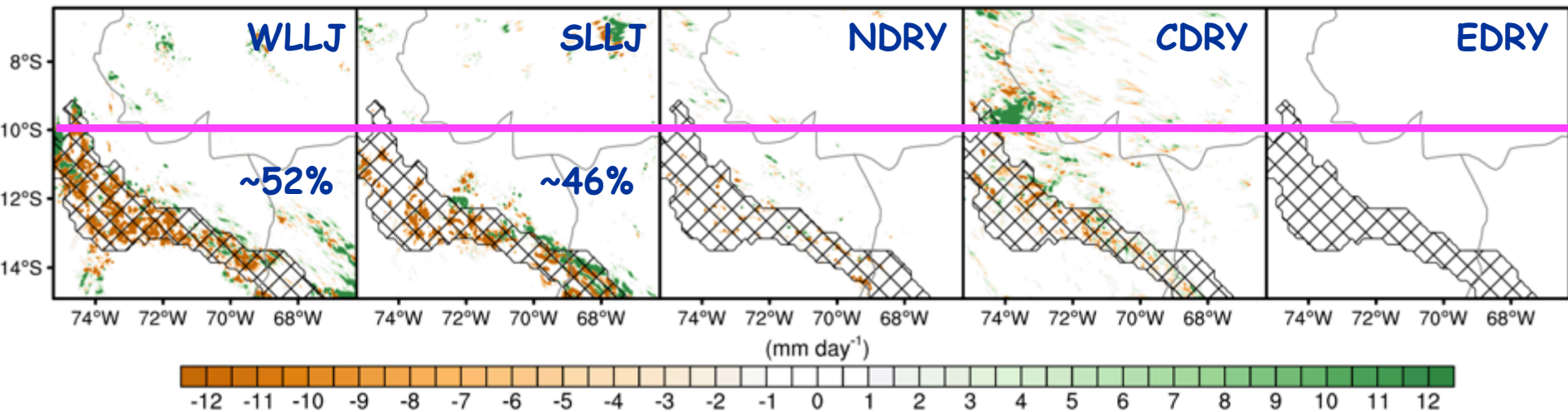


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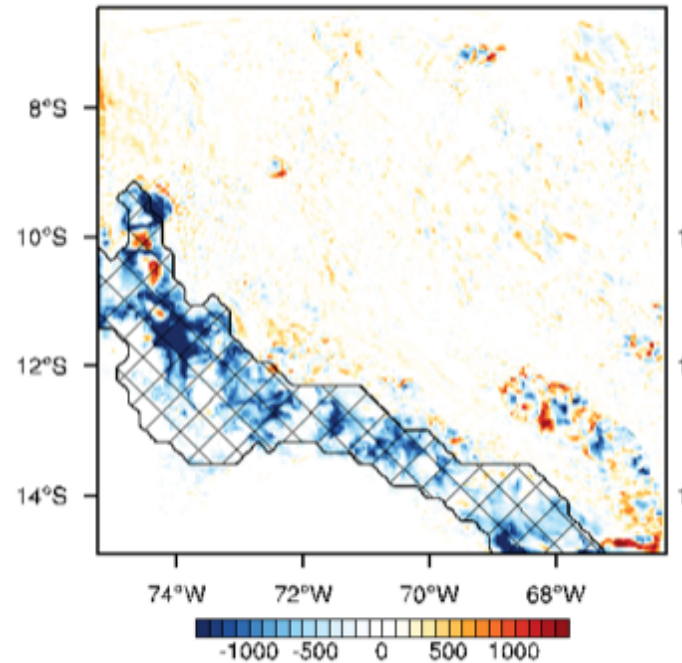
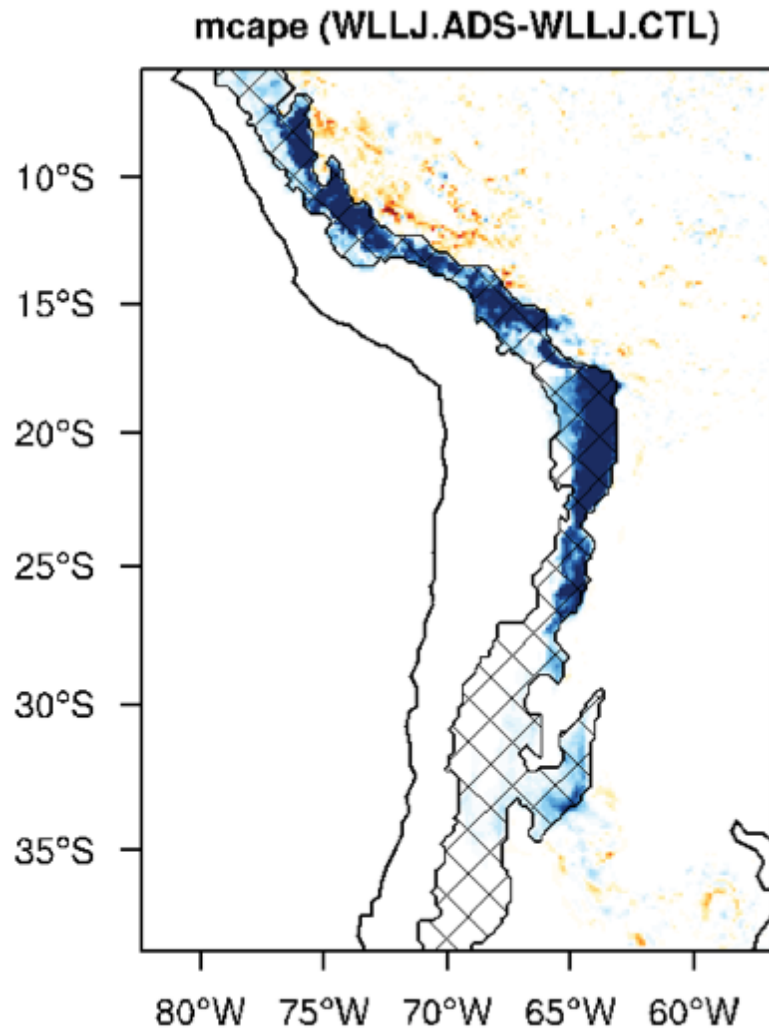
Sun an Barros, 2014 JAS  
Sun and Barros, 2015 QJRM



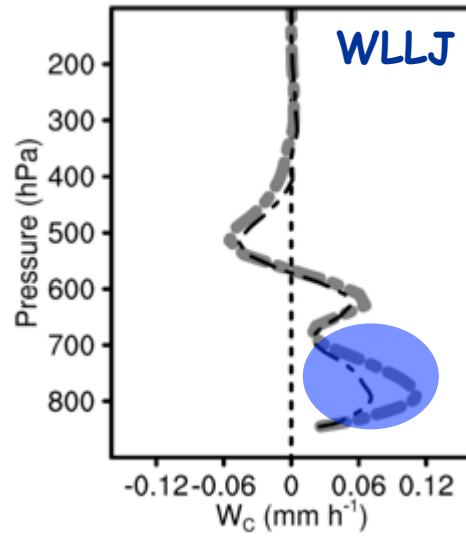
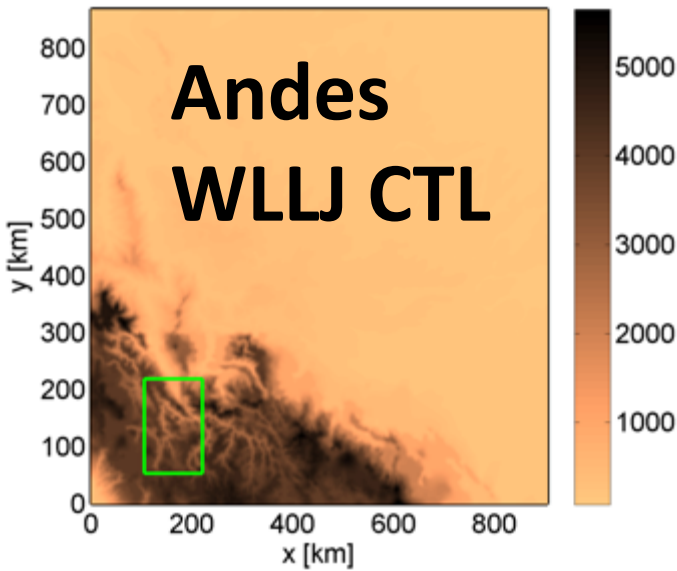
# Daily Precipitation (D03; STRICT-CTL)



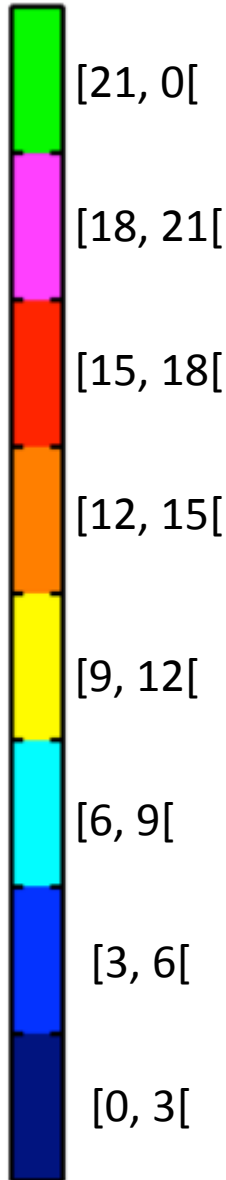
# Convection diagnostics (1:00 PM, LST)



What does this mean  
at the ridge-valley scale?

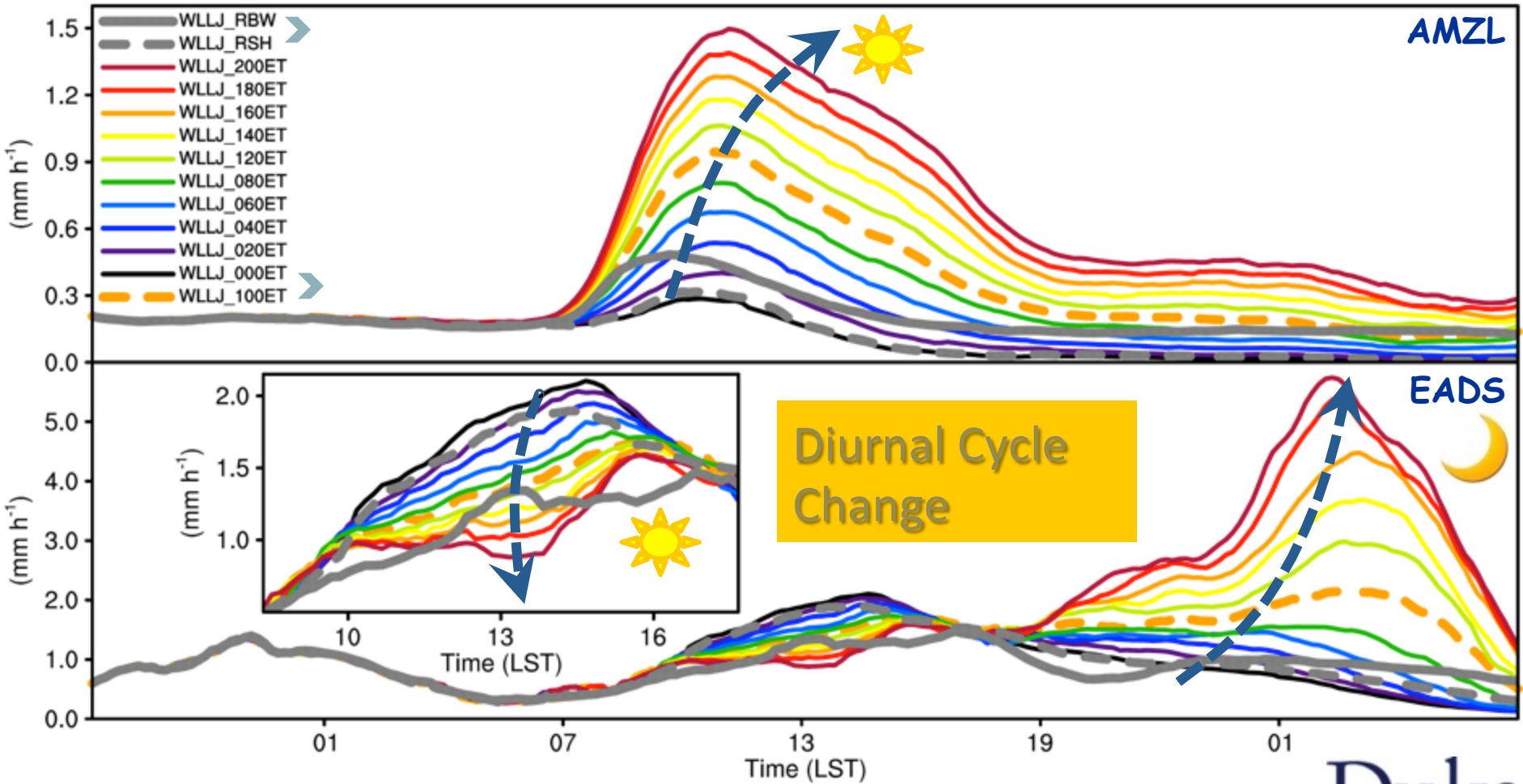


Start time  
[LST]



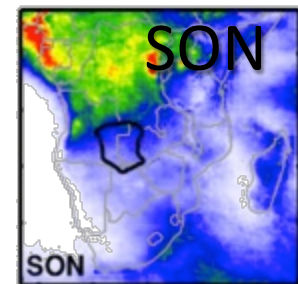
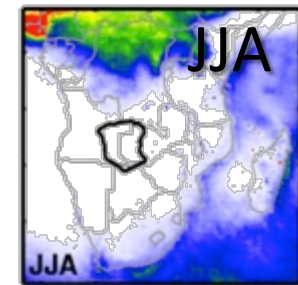
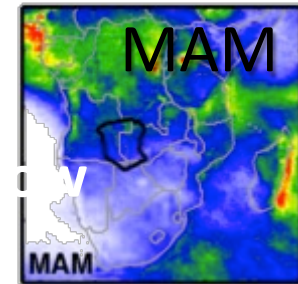
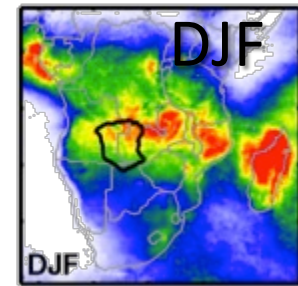
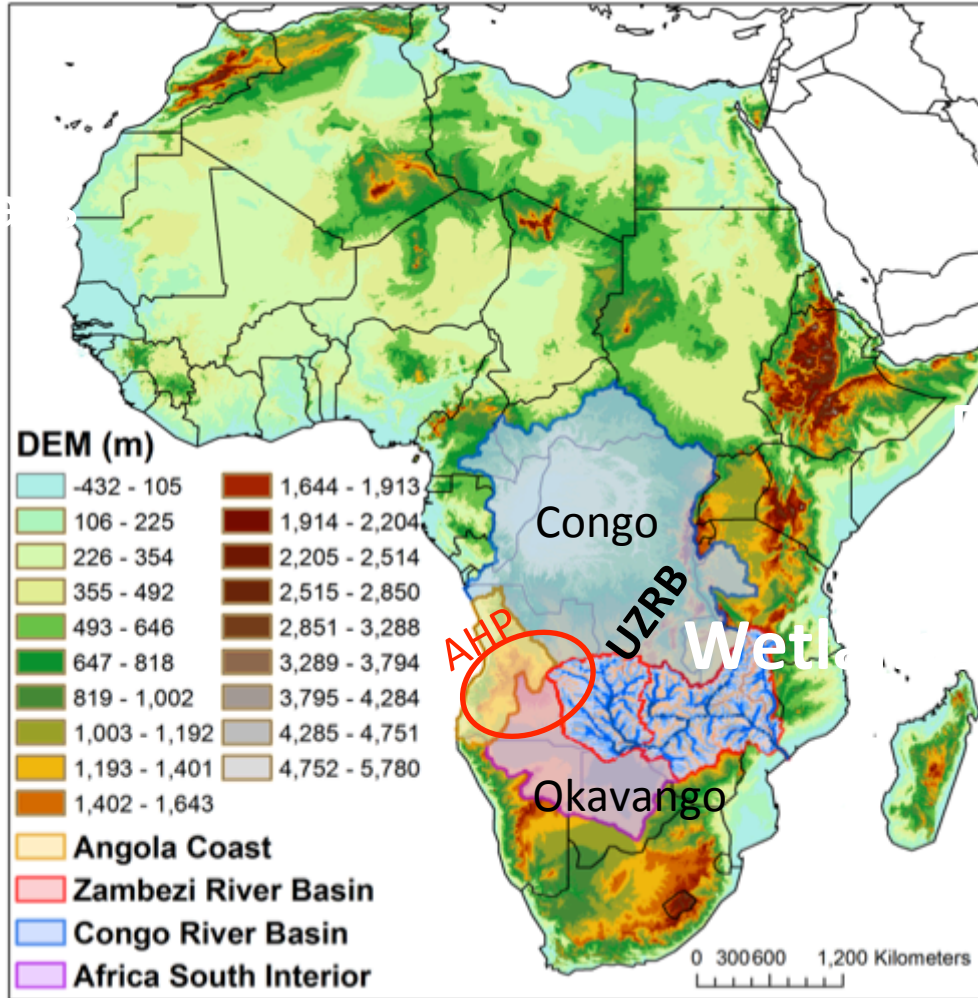
*The trees are “pumping” (thermodynamically) the low level moisture that forms low level clouds and fog in the inner mountain region – alpine pumping*

# AMZL-EADS Teleconnection (D01)

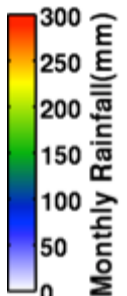




# Water Resources in Southern Africa



TRMM 3B42 (V7) Rainfall Multiple Average



# Water Balance

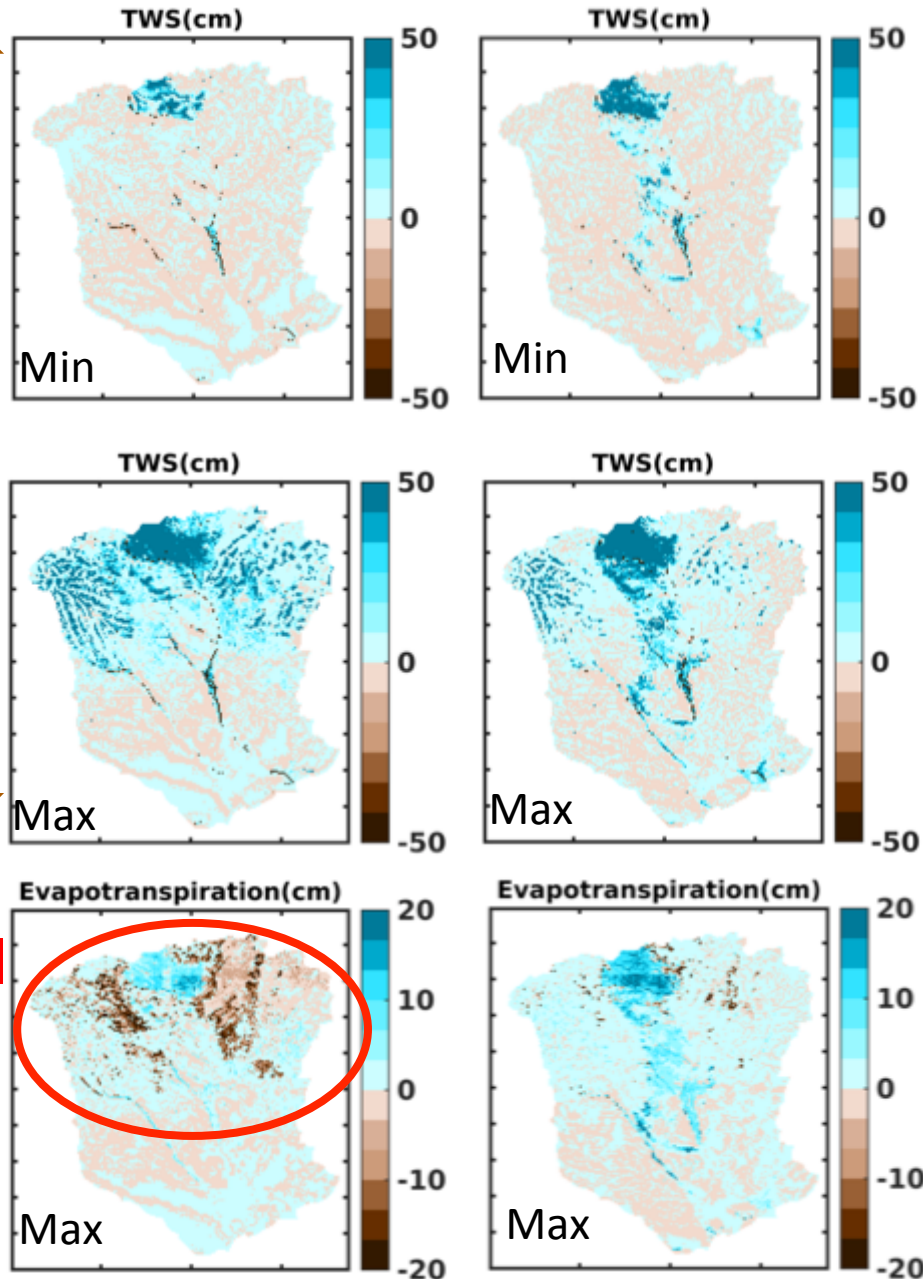
$$P - ET - R = \Delta TWS$$

With-without wetlands

Recharge  
Uncertainty  
From Wetland  
Mapping

4/2005, dry

4/2008, wet



**Nonlinear Geospatial  
Uncertainty (15-30%)**

Evapotranspiration  
Uncertainty

# Strategy

- What do you see as the key objectives and tasks?
  - Map hypothesis-driven, process-based routes and checkpoints to address specific questions through observations and model experiments
  - Prioritize routes/systems
  - Do it
  - Recognize the difference between impact and science driven questions and develop alternative routes with common checkpoints
  - Do both
  - Welcome Surprises
  - Critical Mass

- And which resultant social, economic, and/or environmental benefits justify the associated capital investment?
  - Consumptive Water Use (Humans and Ecosystems)
  - Conservation in the Homeland
  - Engineering the Future
  - Food\_Water\_Energy\_Climate Nexus
  
- Any other issues you feel are critical.