

# Ice nucleation influences the anvil lifecycle and modulates the climate in RCE

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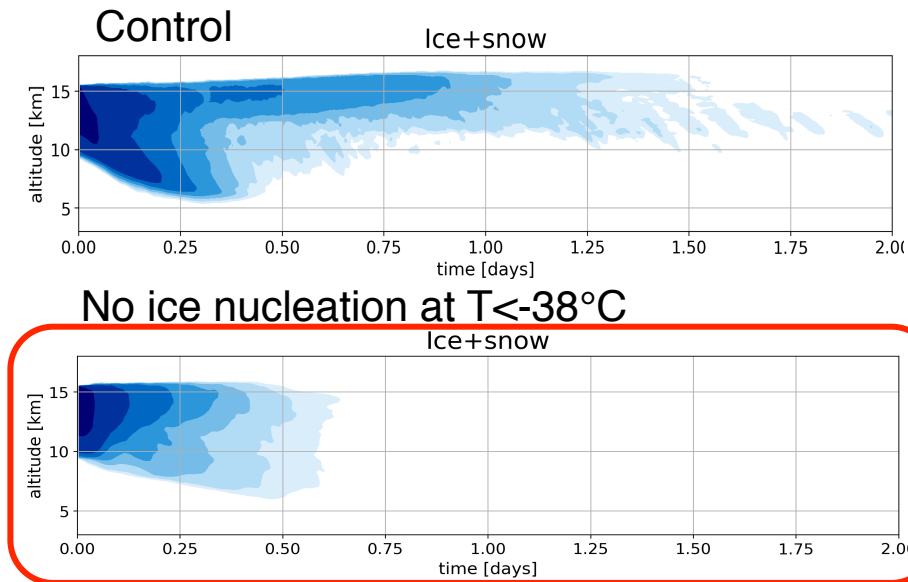
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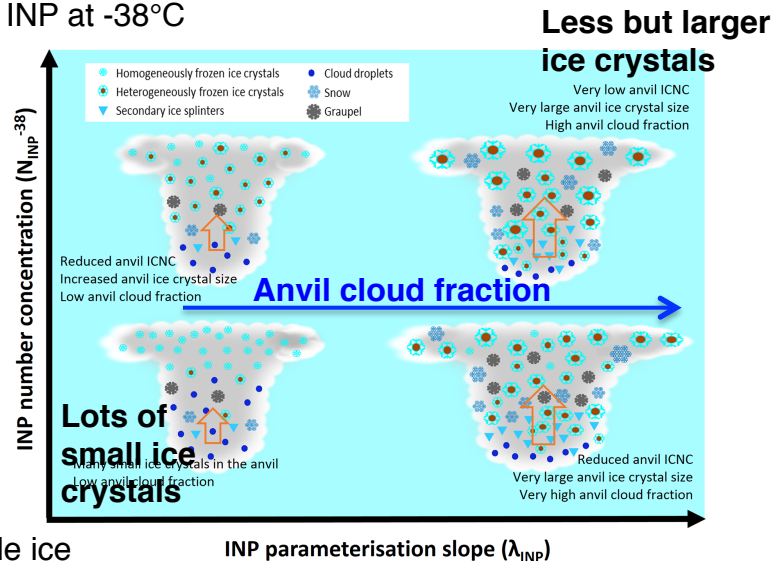
# Ice nucleation can play an important role in anvil lifecycle



Ice nucleation (driven by radiation-generated turbulence) can be important in prolonging the anvil cloud lifetime.

Hartmann et al., 2018, JAMES  
Gasparini et al., 2019, JAMES

Lots of INP at  $-38^{\circ}\text{C}$



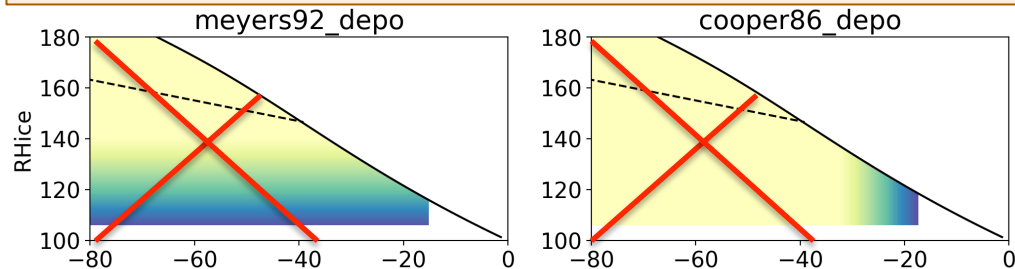
Little ice  
nucleating  
particles (INP)

Lots of INP at warm  
temperatures

Hawker et al., 2021 a,b

# We modified cirrus freezing in SAM-P3 CRM to enable the competition between homogenous & heterogeneous freezing

Step1: Limit the mixed-phase parameterizations to mixed-phase



Step 2: Modified Liu and Penner (2005) scheme that allows competition between homogeneous and heterogeneous freezing + pre-existing ice crystals  
(Shi et al., 2015 –implemented in CAM6, E3SM GCMs)

SAM-P3 doesn't interactively simulate aerosols  
⇒ need to set the number of ice nucleating particles

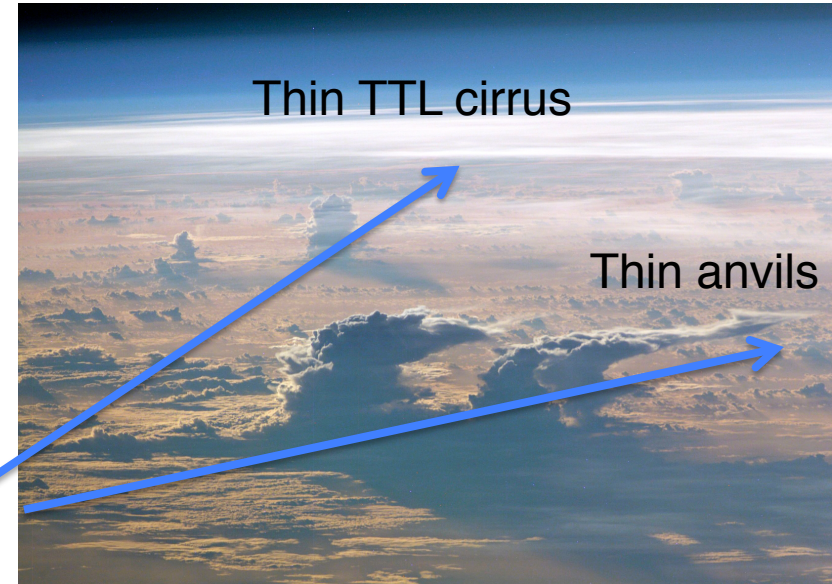
# Ensemble of 2D RCE + a selection of 3D simulations

SSTs= 26, 30, 34, 38 °C

NC	2 INP/L	20 INP/L	200 INP/L	2000 INP/L
100	x	x	x	x
300	x	x	x	x
1000	x	x	x	x

**Main target: in-situ (cirrus) freezing at  $T < -38^{\circ}\text{C}$**

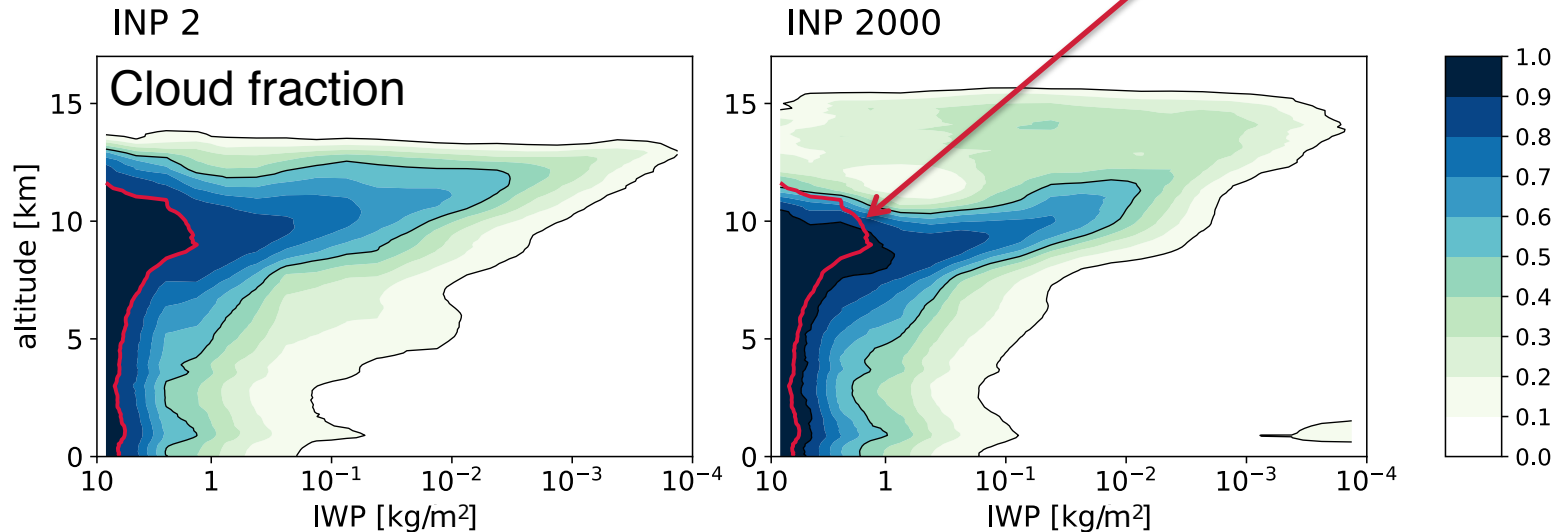
mixed phase freezing is by construction  
not directly influenced changes in ice  
nucleating particles (INP)



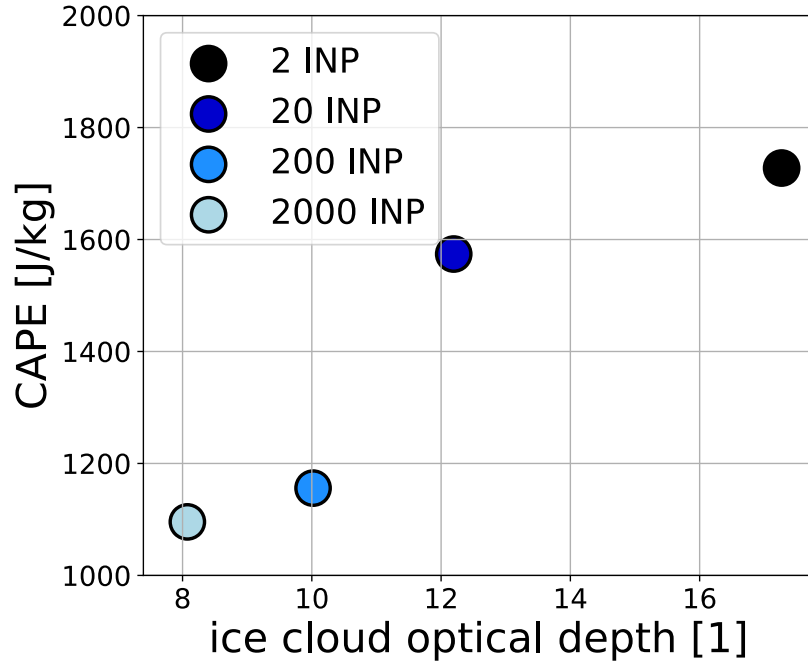
# Enhanced ice nucleating particle number lead to more upper tropospheric cirrus and a decreased detrainment level

SST= 26°C

NC	2 INP/L	2000 INP/L
100	x	x



# Enhanced ice nucleation dampens deep convection



## Targeting cirrus (in-situ) freezing

### RCE simulations:

Increase in INP at  $T < -38^{\circ}\text{C}$ :

- more thin high clouds
- smaller high cloud COD
- Large spread in CRE responses

**Only small (insignificant?)  
changes in cloud feedbacks**

possible role of changes in  
convective aggregation

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