

Experimental Atmospheric Chemistry (12.335/12.835)

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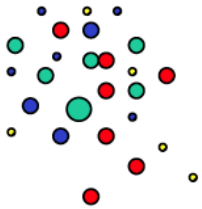
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- Atmospheric Particles
- Atmospheric Clouds

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Traditional: Part 1



- So, what's the problem(s) here?

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Aerosol Mass Spectrometer

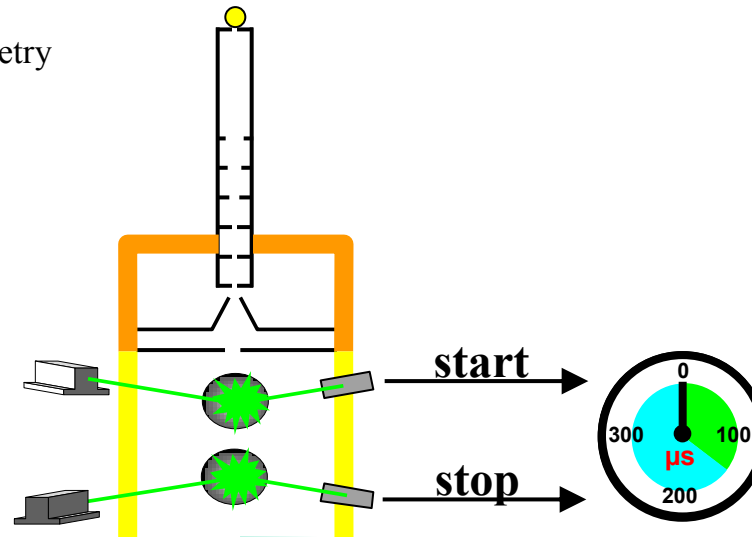
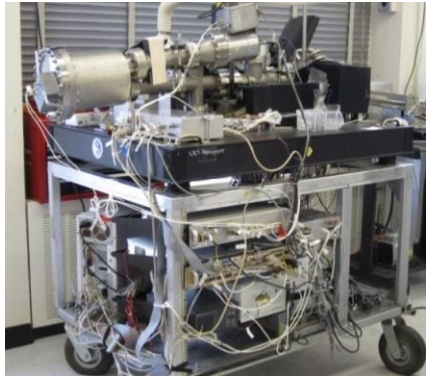
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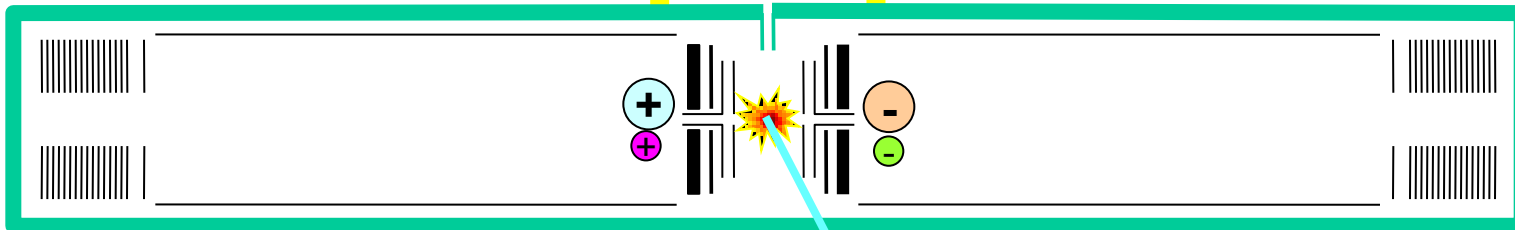
PALMS

Particle Analysis by Laser Mass Spectrometry



Particle Inlet

Particle Sizing



Particle Composition

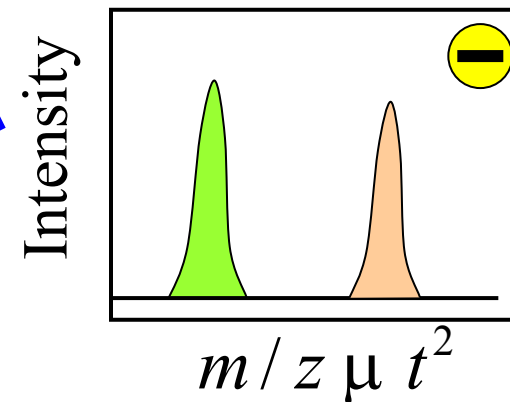
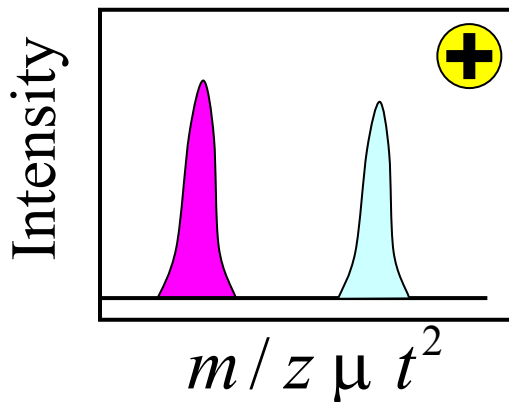
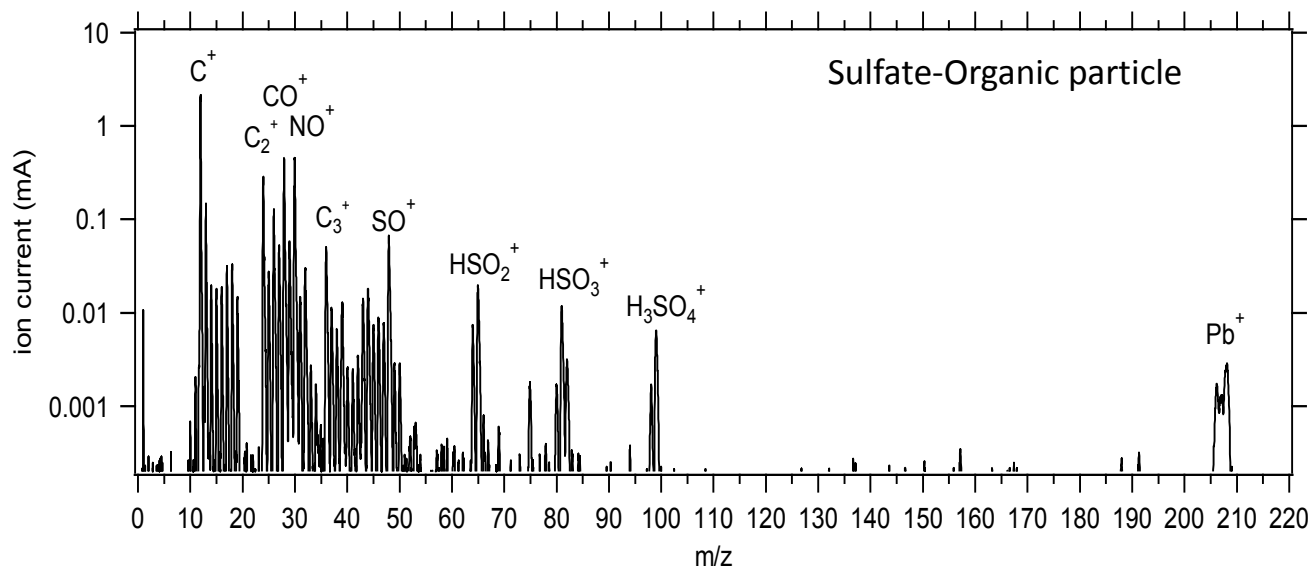
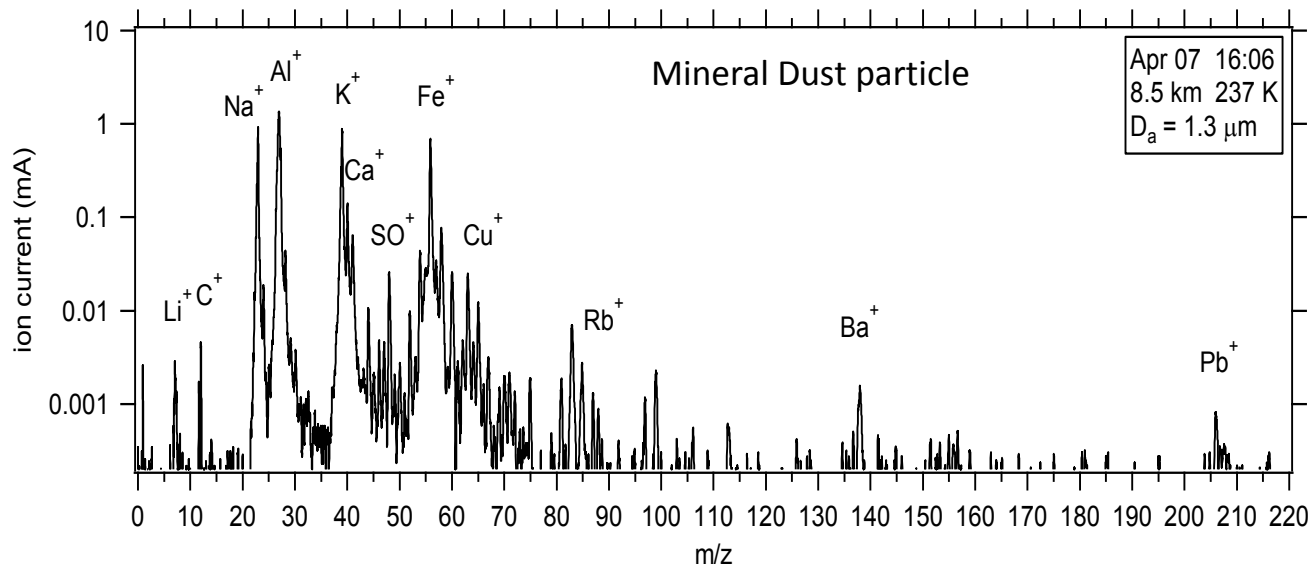


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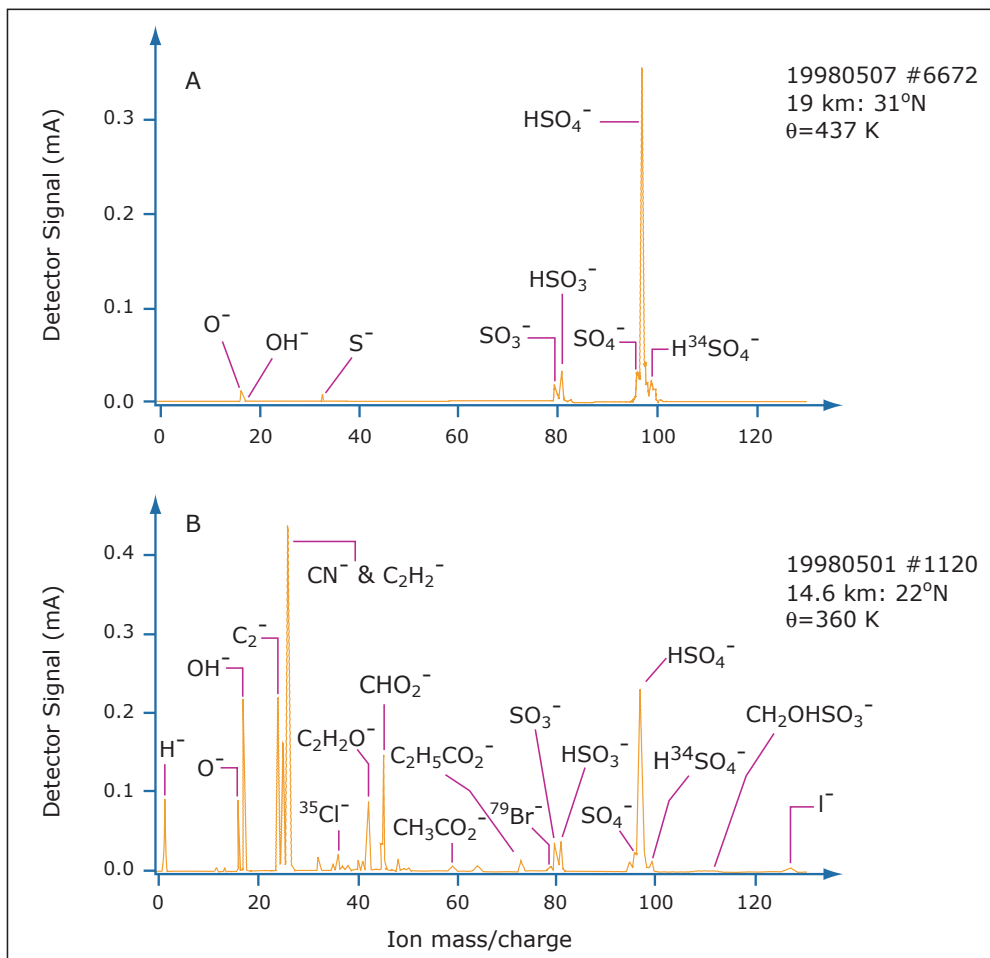


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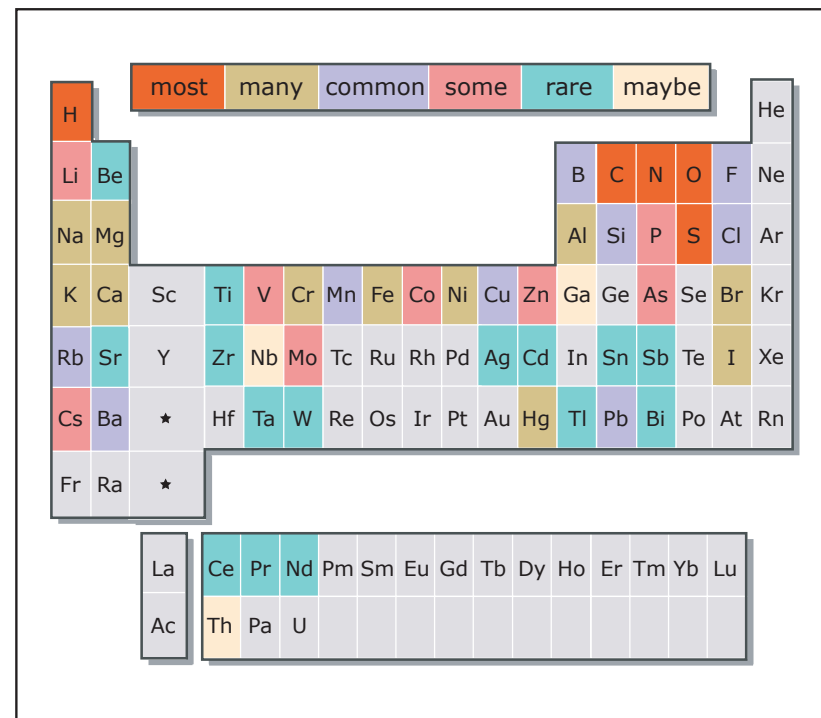


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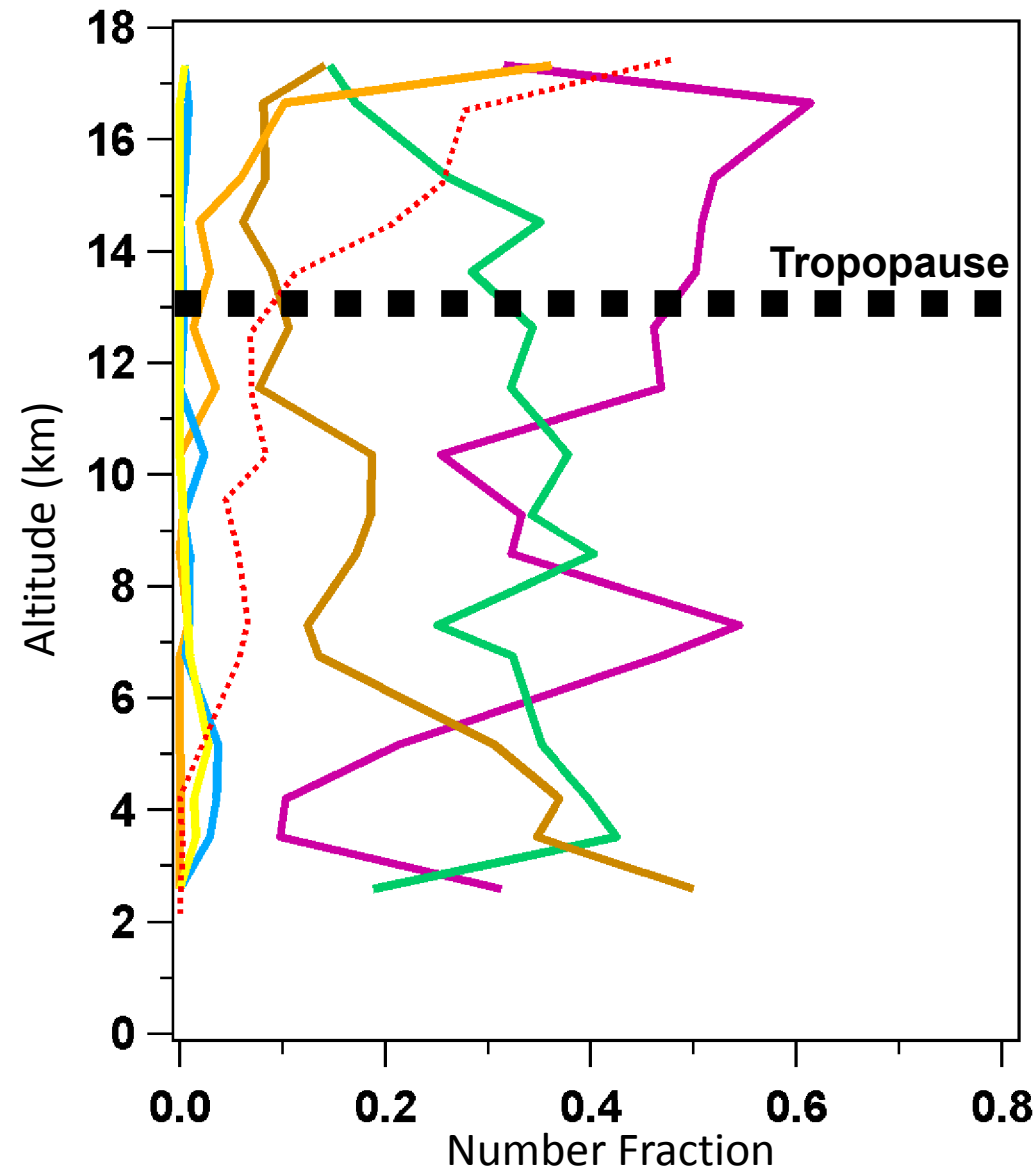


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- **Biomass Burning**
- **Sulfate-Organic mixtures** dominate in UTLS
- **Mineral Dust**: 10-30%
- Little **Sea Salt** in UT
- **Meteoric** particles in stratosphere
- **Acidic sulfate** mainly in stratosphere

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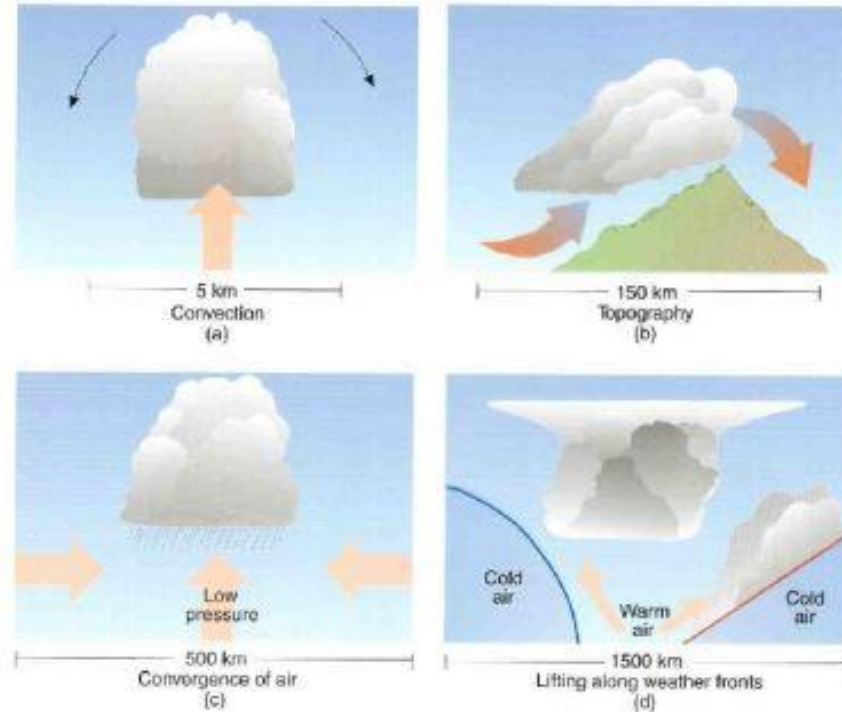
Cloud Development

Clouds form as air **rises, expands and cools**

Most clouds form by:

- a. Surface heating and free convection
- b. Lifting of air over topography
- c. Widespread air lifting due to surface convergence
- d. Lifting along weather fronts

Methods of cloud formation



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A Few Words About *ALL* Clouds

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Classification of Clouds

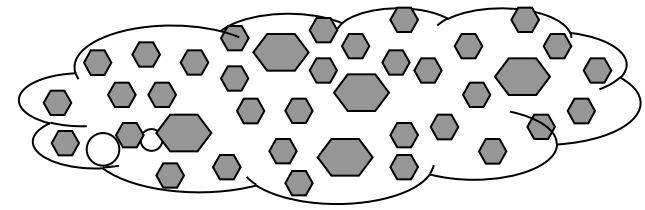
❖ Temperatures

❖ By their shape and heights

❖ Other Cloud Types:

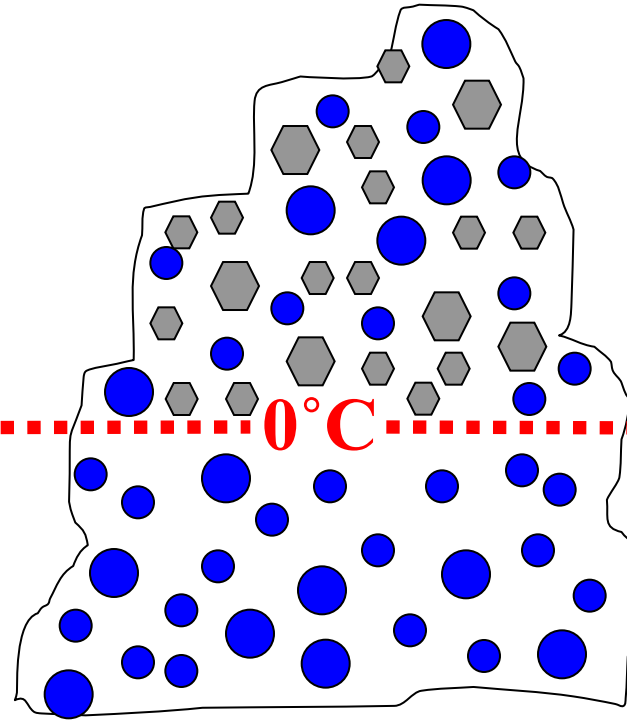
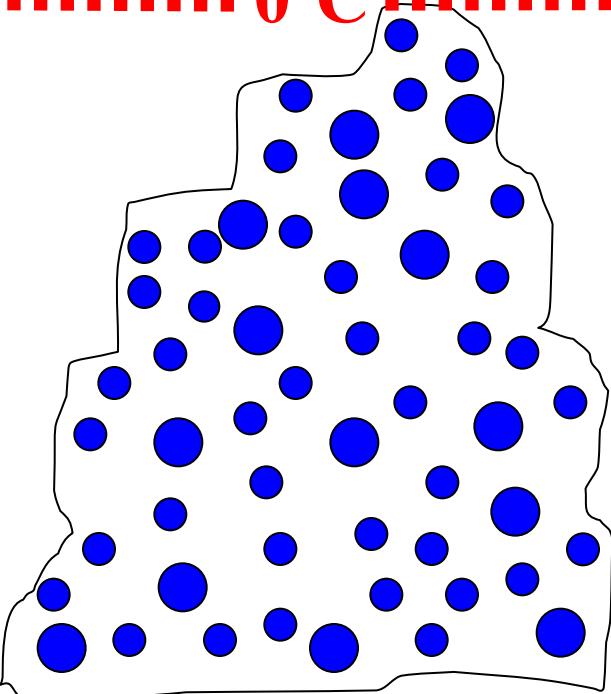
- Contrail clouds
- Ship track
- Mammatus clouds
- Orographic clouds

- Water drop
- ⬡ Ice crystal

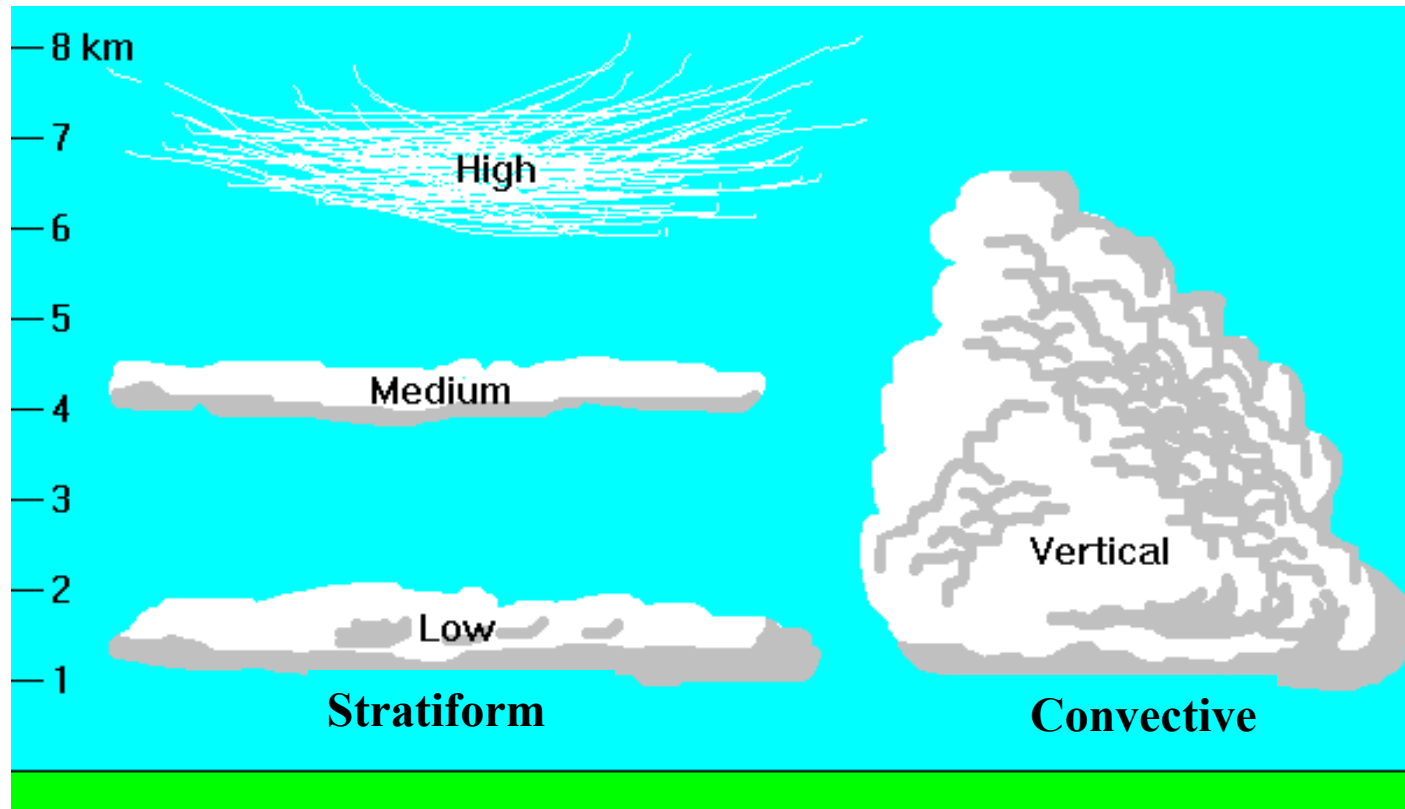


Glaciated cloud

Warm cloud



Mixed Phase cloud



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Stratiform

- ❖ High-Level Clouds
- ❖ Mid-Level Clouds
- ❖ Low-Level Clouds ❖

Convective Clouds with Vertical Development

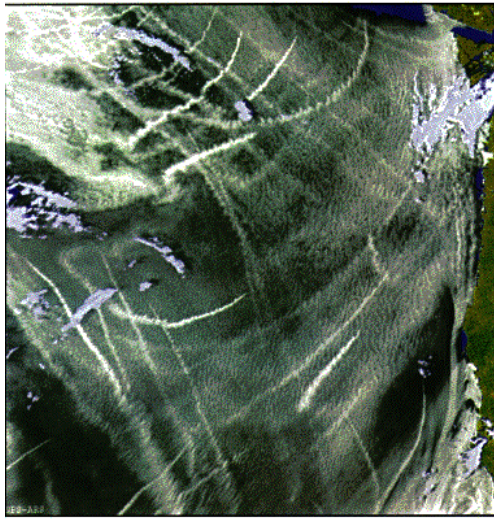


Figure 1: Ship tracks off the coast of Washington

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Contrails

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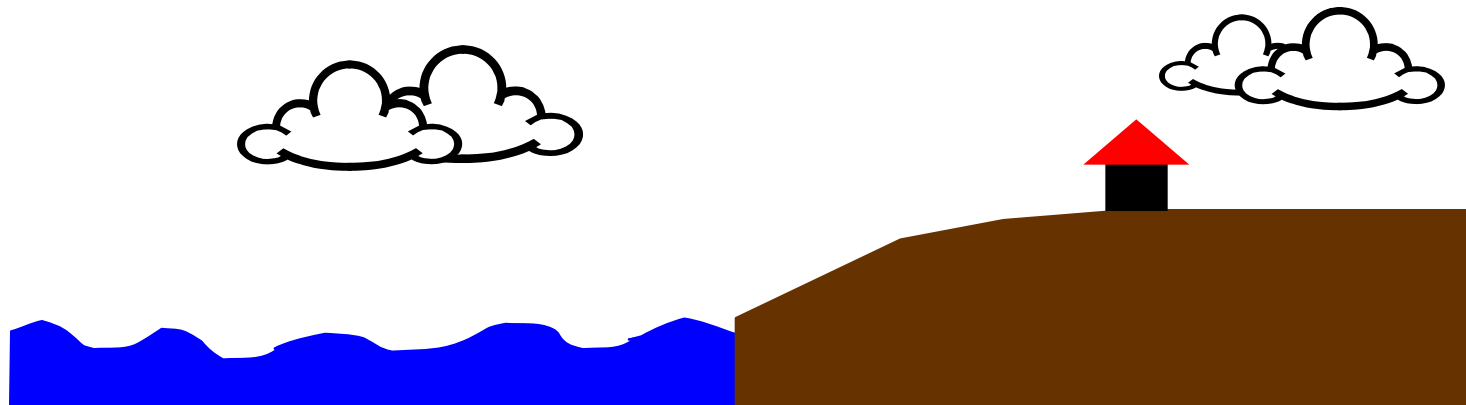
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- ❖ Clouds with high concentrations of cloud drops are referred to as continental clouds. These are more often found over land.
- ❖ Clouds with low concentrations of cloud drops are called maritime clouds and they are often found in clean regions and over water.

Maritime clouds



Continental clouds

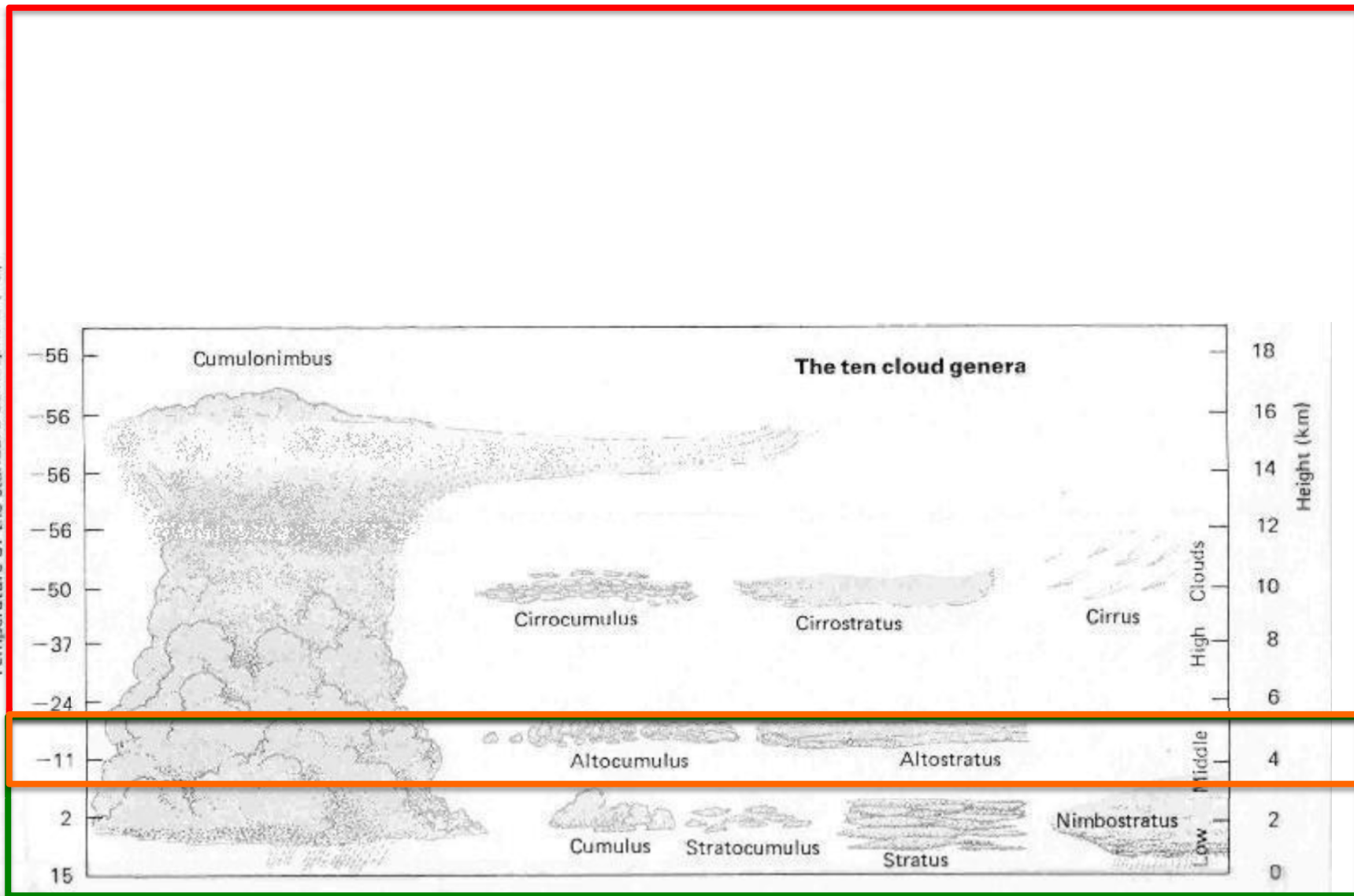


Cold or Ice

M-P

Warm

Temperature of the standard atmosphere (°C)

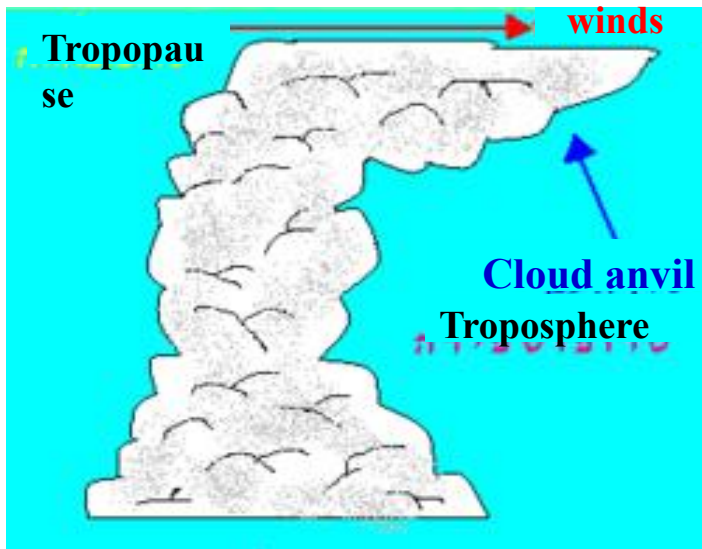


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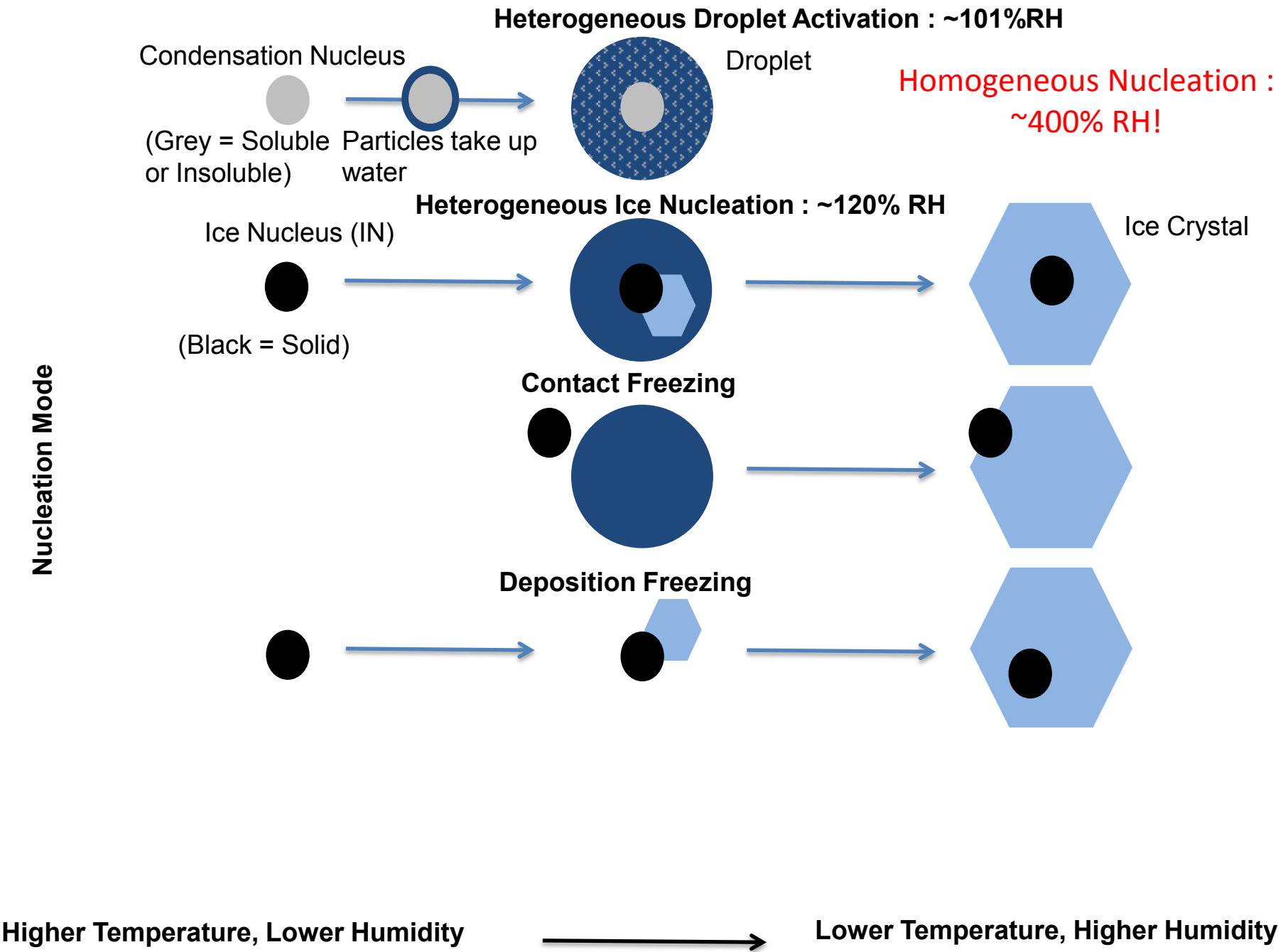


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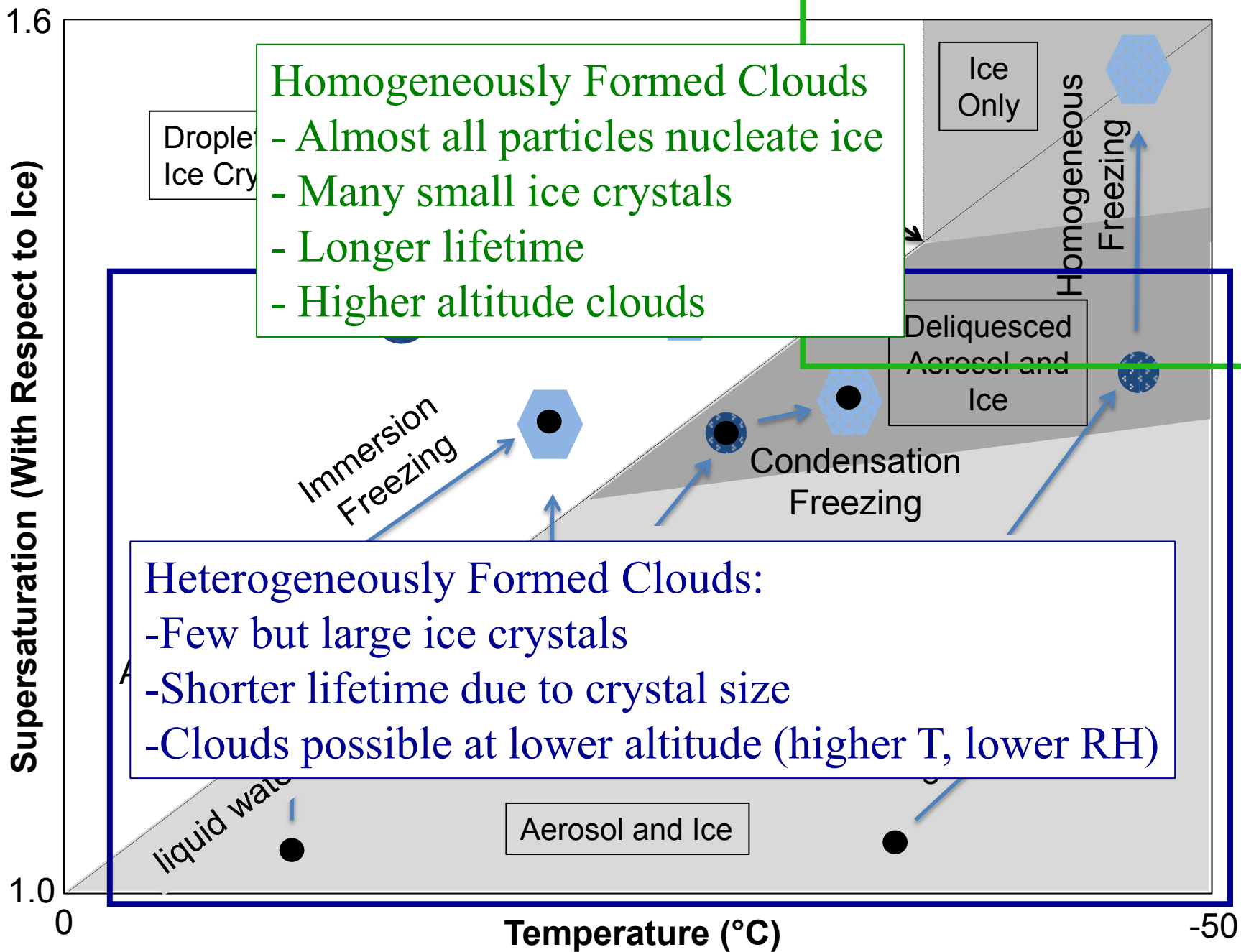


Figure 3.

Cloud Droplet Probe (CDP-2)

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Cloud Imaging Probe (CIP)

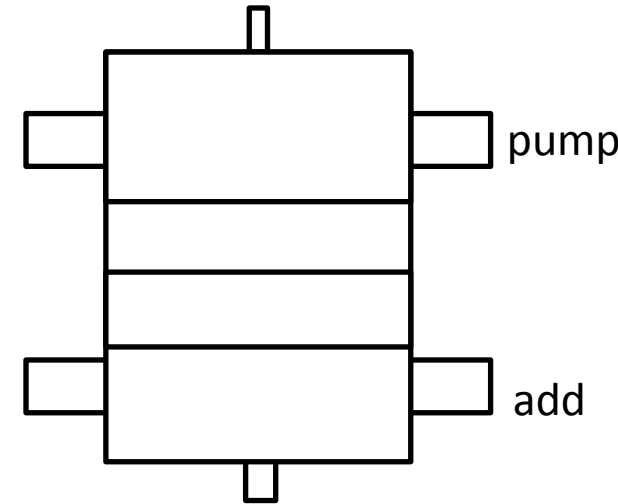
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Fluid flow velocity characteristics during passage through the PCVI

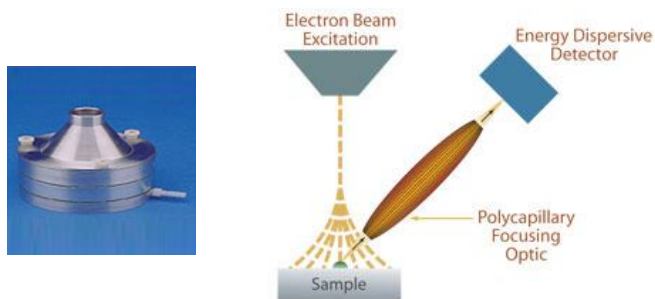


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Single particle size and composition (0.2 – 3 μm)

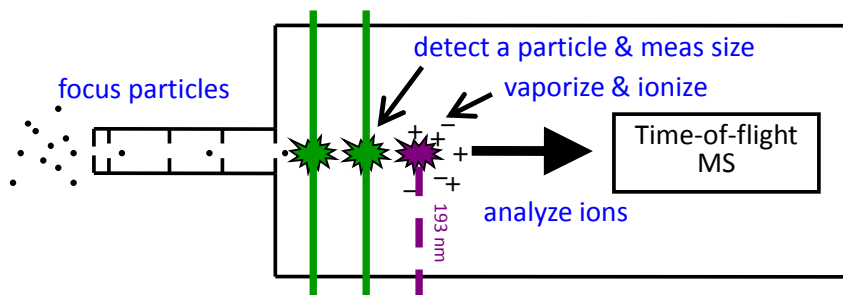
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Size, morphology, and composition

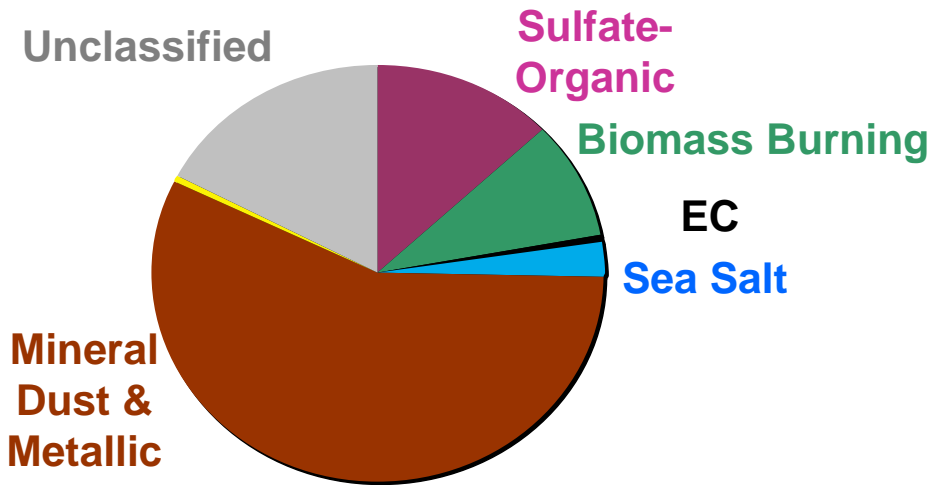
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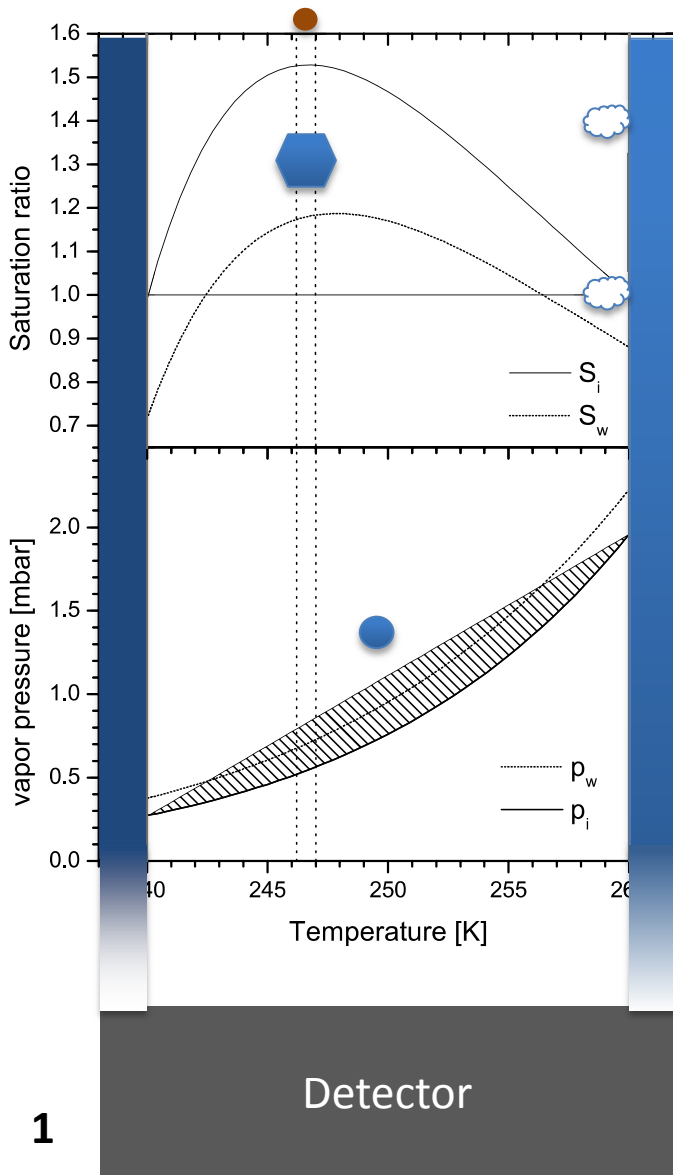
Size and composition

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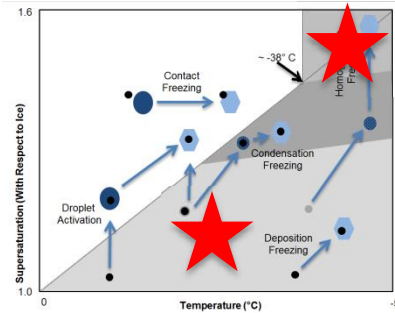
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Making Clouds in the lab



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Spectrometer for Ice Nuclei (SPIN)
 Commercially available from DMT, Boulder, CO
 Based on Zurich Ice Nucleation Chamber (Stetzer, Lohmann)

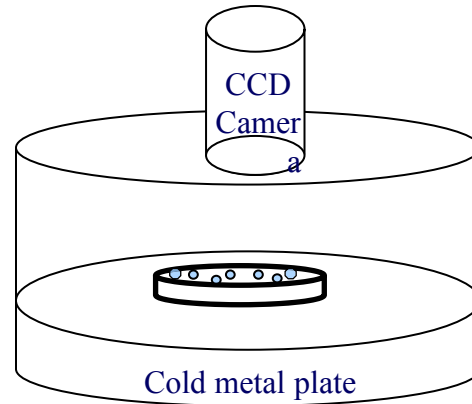


- Parallel plates
- Ice on walls
 - Ice saturation
- Linear temp and vapor gradient
- Nonlinear saturation ratio
 - Clausius-Clayperon Relation

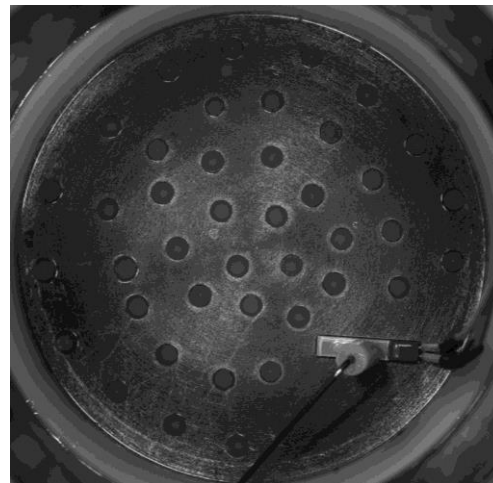
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Drop freezing technique



130 drops
 (1 μ l; 0.8mm diameter)



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