Assessment of vertical CCN retrieval methods against in-situ CCN measurements

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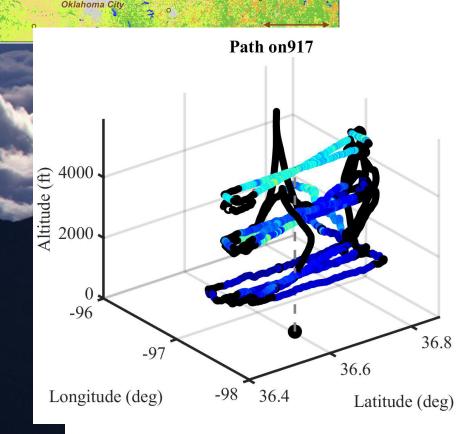


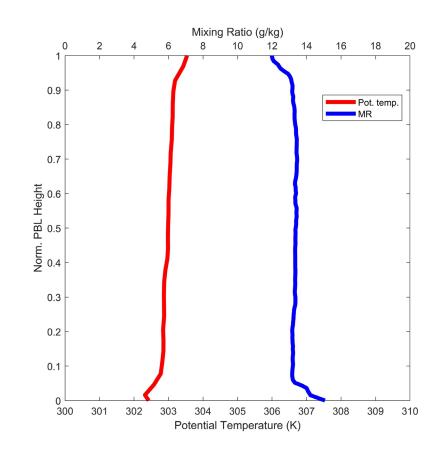
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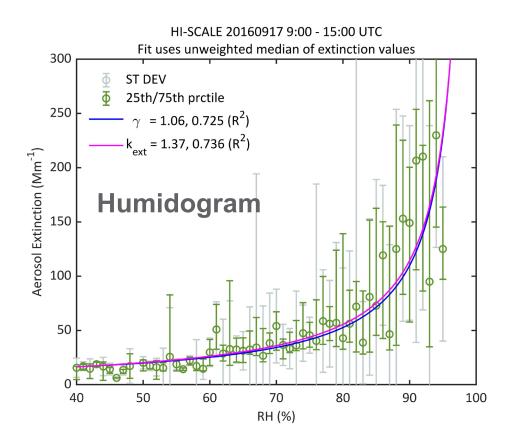
CCN measured vs. CCN retrieved



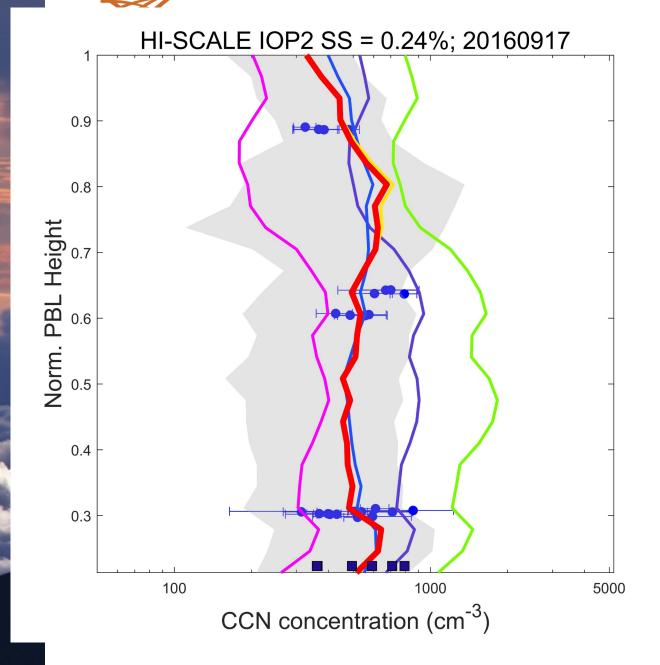
Raman lidar at SGP



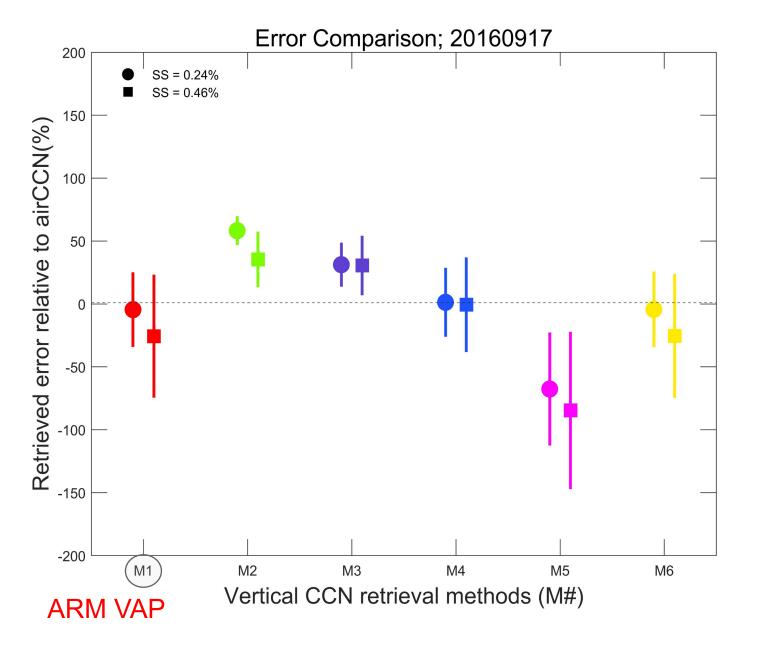




Vertical profiles of CCN concentrations



% Error relative to measured CCN



Methods:

M1: Retrieved Number CCN concentration RNCCN VAP (ARM)

M2: Ansmann et al. (2016) parameterization

M3: Shinozuka et al. (2015) parameterization (version 1) neph based

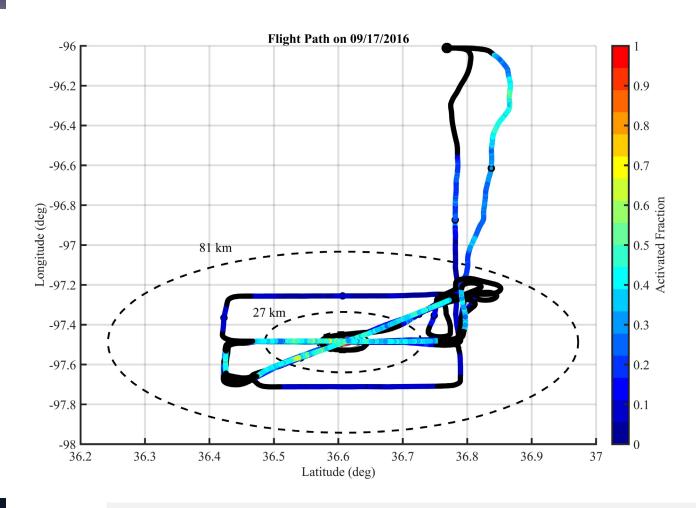
M4: Shinozuka et al. (2015) parameterization (version 2) RL based

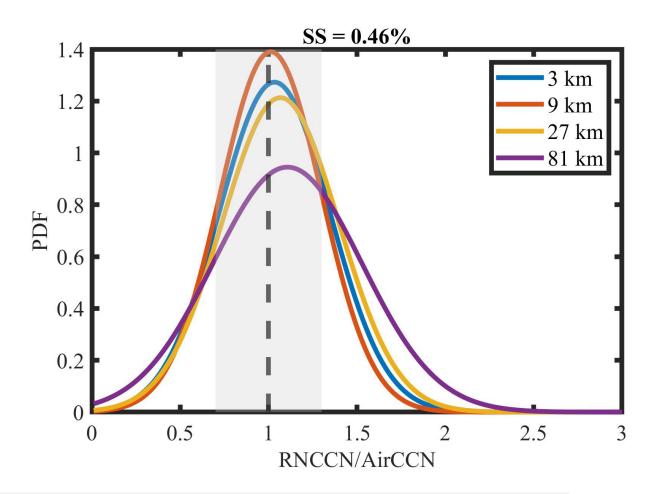
M5: Ghan et al. (2006) parameterization (version 1) neph based

M6: Ghan et al. (2006) parameterization (version 2) RL based



Spatial and temporal collocated in situ CCN measurements are compared against RNCCN VAP retrieval profile.





Summary:

- ✓ Majority of retrieval methods, independent of SS, show agreement within ± 50%.
- ✓ Vertically integrated spatial errors at various grid sizes is nearly similar.
- ✓ Complex humidogram patterns show larger errors.