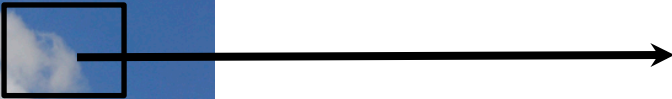
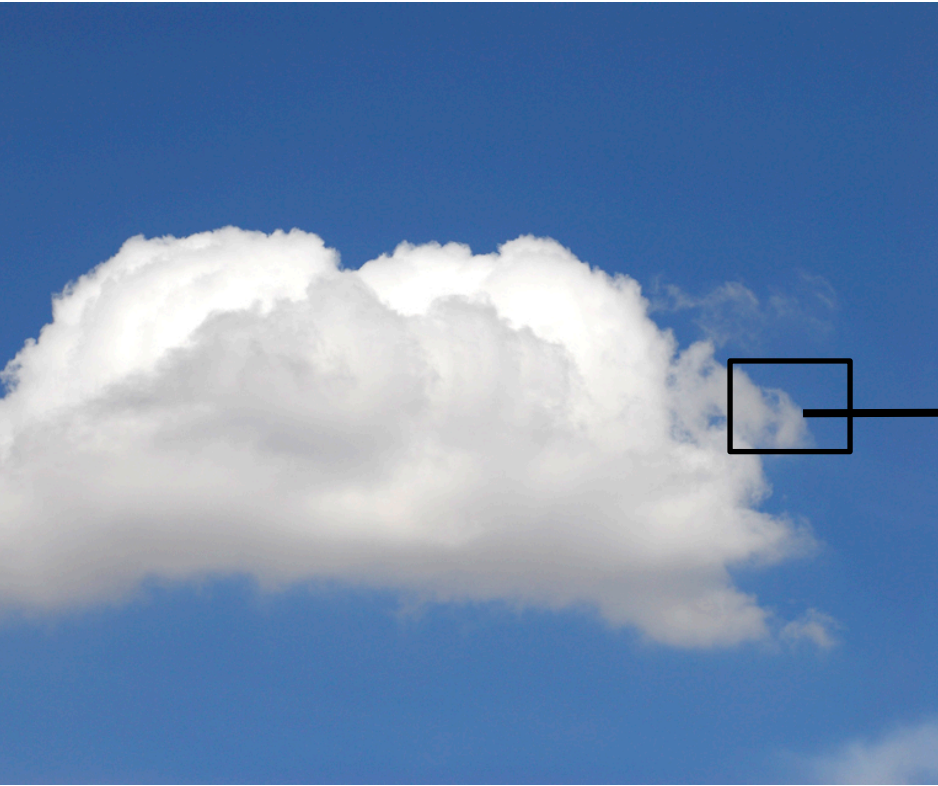


# Simulation of boundary layer clouds with double-moment microphysics and microphysics-oriented subgrid-scale modeling

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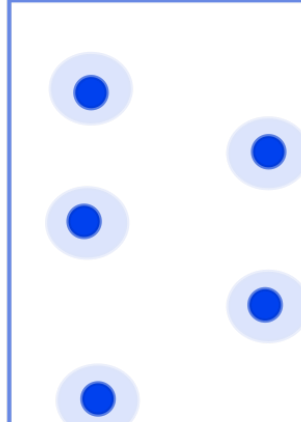
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extremely  
inhomogeneous  
mixing

homogeneous  
mixing

physical  
formations due to  
-scale mixing cover  
range of mixing



# the $\lambda$ -parameterization

spatial scale of the cloudy filaments  
during turbulent mixing

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = -\gamma \epsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} \lambda^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

the model gridlength;

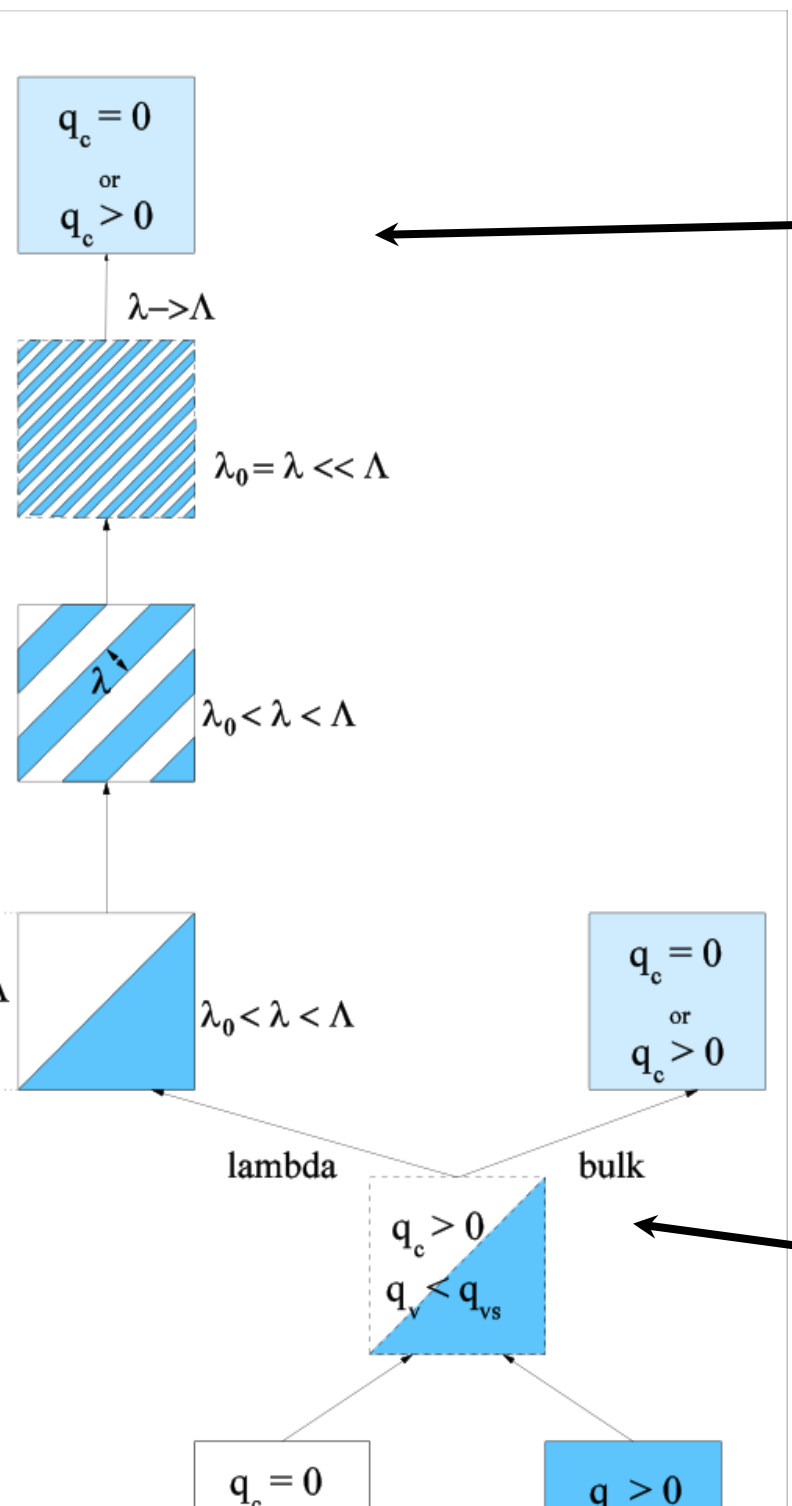
the homogenization scale ( $\sim 1$  cm).

$$\lambda_0 \leq \lambda \leq \Lambda$$

the dissipation rate of TKE



# in model with 1-moment microphysics



Modified model with  $\lambda$  approach  
homogenization delayed until  
turbulent stirring reduces the  
filament width  $\lambda$  to the value  
corresponding to the microscale  
homogenization scale  $\lambda_0$

Bulk model:  
immediate homogenization

mixing event

- delaying evaporation due to mixing

$$q_f = q_i - C_d^*$$

$$C_d^* = \lambda_0/\lambda C_d$$

- cloud water mixing ratios: initial (after advection and turbulent mixing) and final (after advection, turbulent mixing, and evaporation).

- evaporation rate dictated by the mean gridbox temperature and  $q_c$  (i.e., without any subgrid considerations).

- cloud filament scale and the scale of microscale

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*NB: this logic can be used in 1-moment microphysics as well*

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## - mixing scenarios

$$N_f = N_i \left( \frac{q_f}{q_i} \right)^\alpha$$

Morrison and Grabowski

$q_f$  - initial and final cloud water mixing ratios

$N_i$  - droplet concentration after advection and turbulent mixing, the initial value for the microphysical adjustment

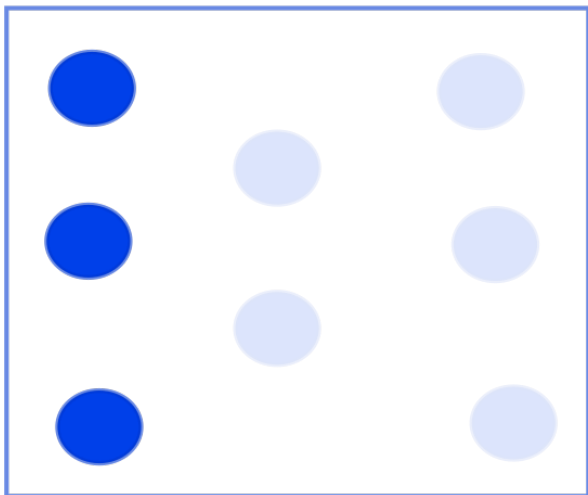
$N_f$  - final (after advection, turbulent mixing and microphysical adjustment) value of the droplet concentration

# mixing scenarios

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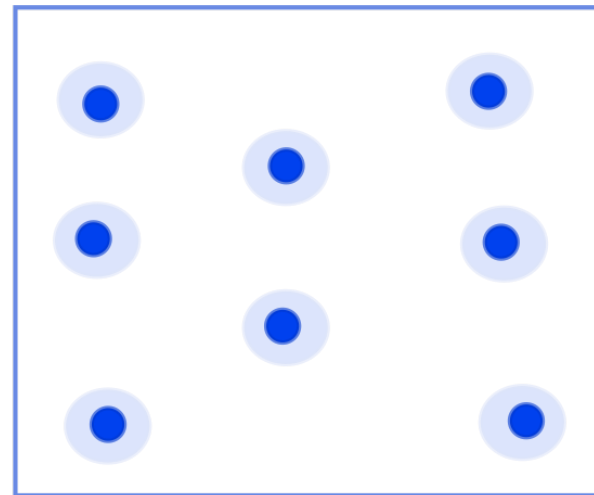
$$\alpha = 1$$

extremely  
inhomogeneous  
mixing



$$\alpha = 0$$

homogeneous  
mixing



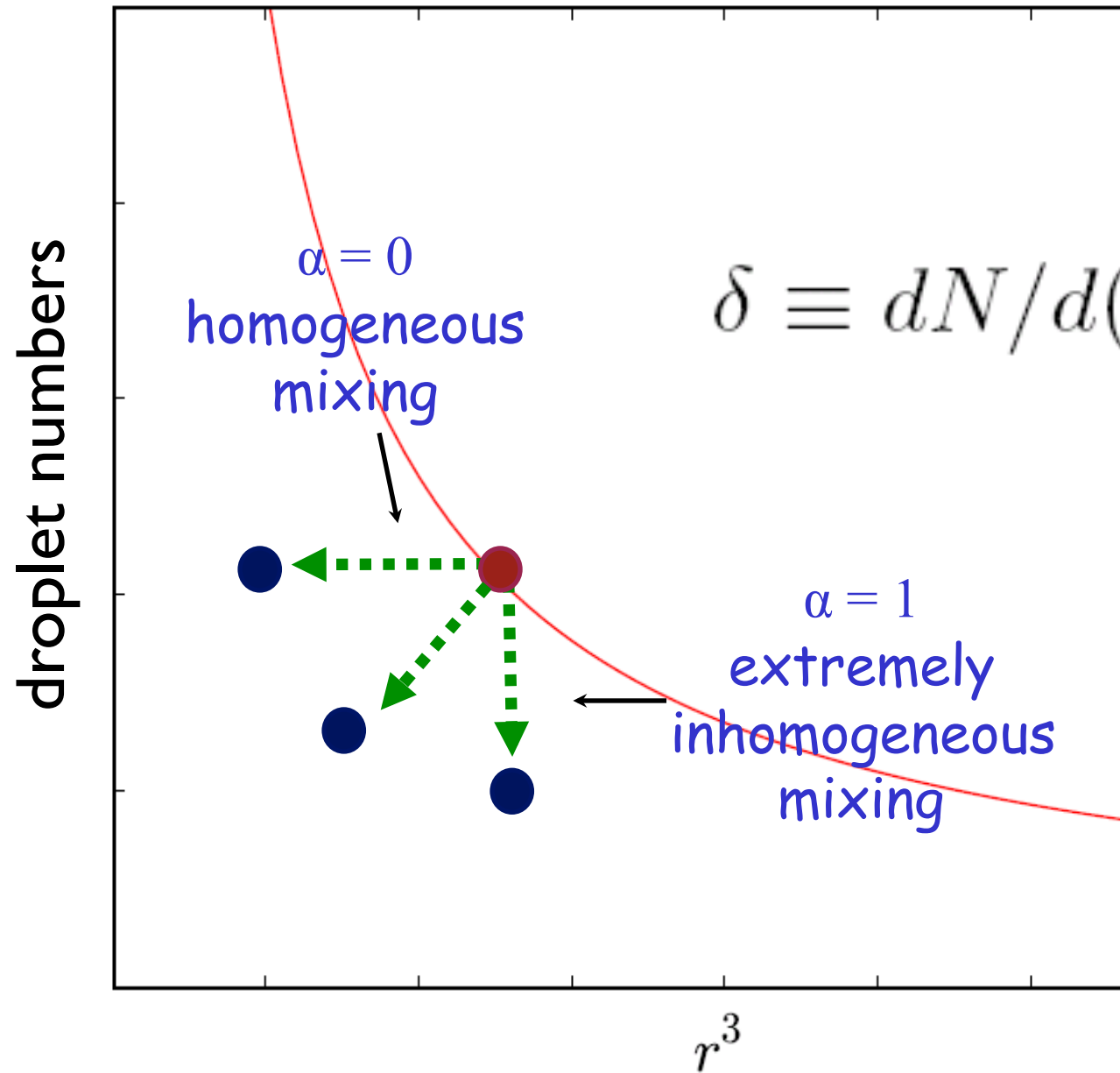
Previous studies (Slawinska et al. 2010):



# MIXING scenarios and $\alpha$ parameter

$$N_f = N_i \left( \frac{q_f}{q_i} \right)^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\delta}{1 + \delta}$$



# Using DNS Results for parameterization: mixing scenario

$$\frac{\lambda}{u(\lambda)} = \frac{\lambda^{\frac{2}{3}}}{TKE^{\frac{1}{2}} * \Lambda^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

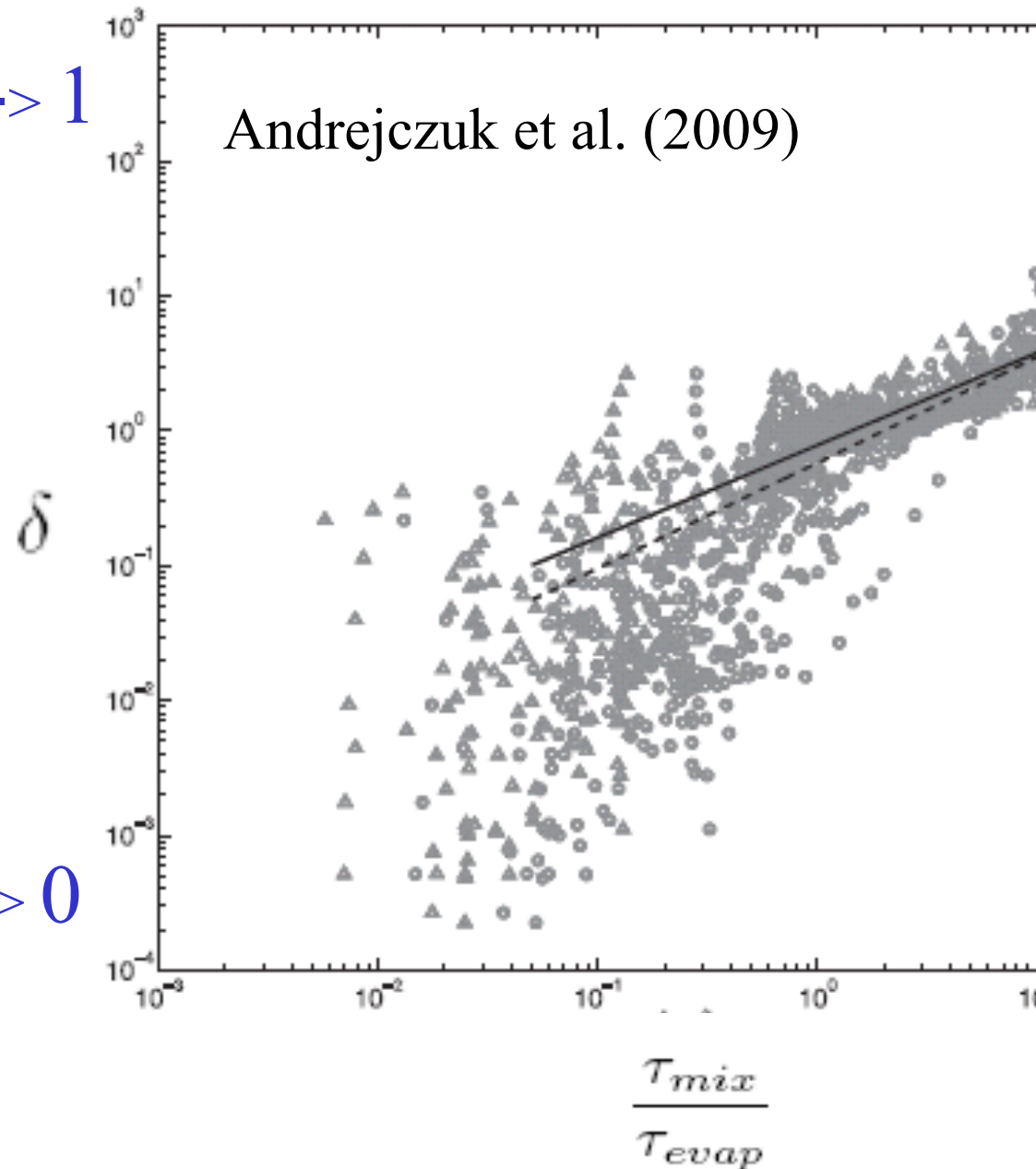
$\alpha \rightarrow 1$

$$= \frac{r^2}{A * (1 - RH_d)}$$

$\alpha \rightarrow 0$

$$\alpha = f(\lambda, TKE, RH_d, r)$$

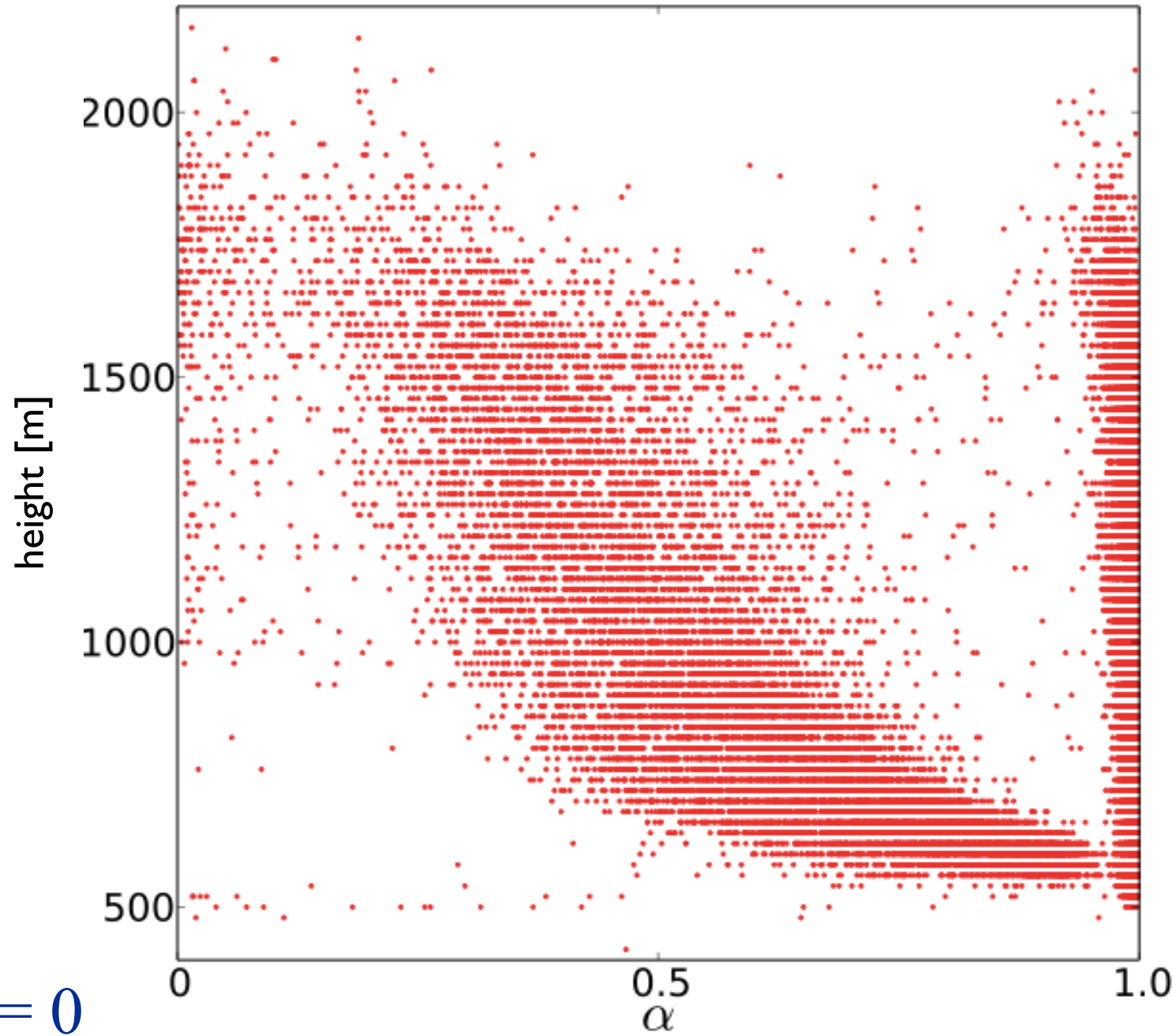
we can calculate  $\alpha$  locally as a



numerical model EULAG [www.mmm.ucar.edu/eulag](http://www.mmm.ucar.edu/eulag)  
with the 2-moment warm-rain microphysics scheme  
(Morrison and Grabowski 2007, 2008)

simulation setup - BOMEX (Siebesma et al. 2003)  
domain: 6.4km, 6.4km, 3km  
horizontal resolution: 50m, 50m, 20m  
time step: 1s  
initial profiles from Siebesma et al. 2003

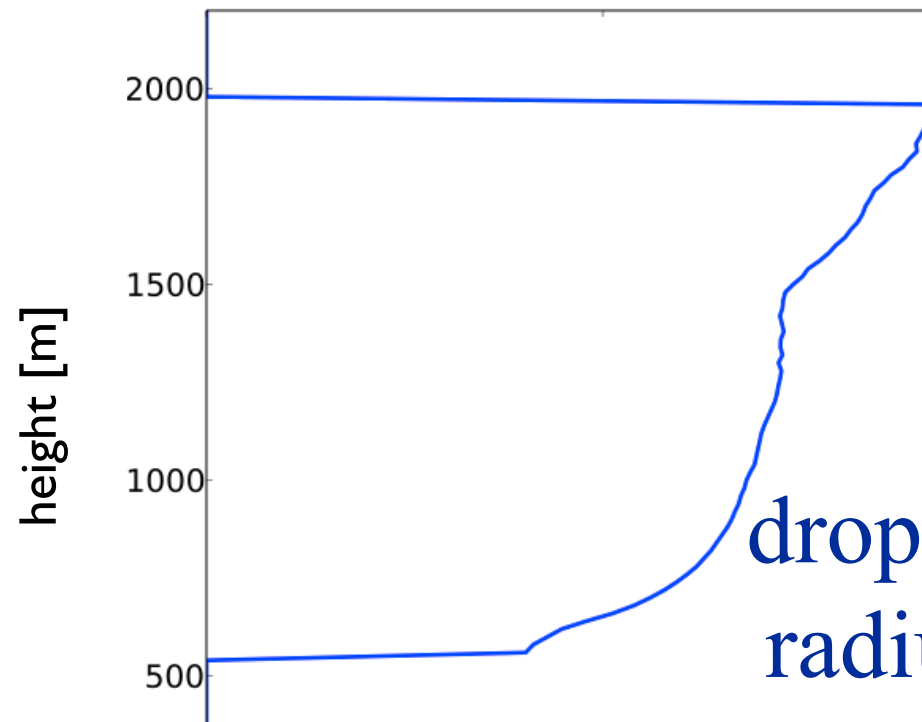
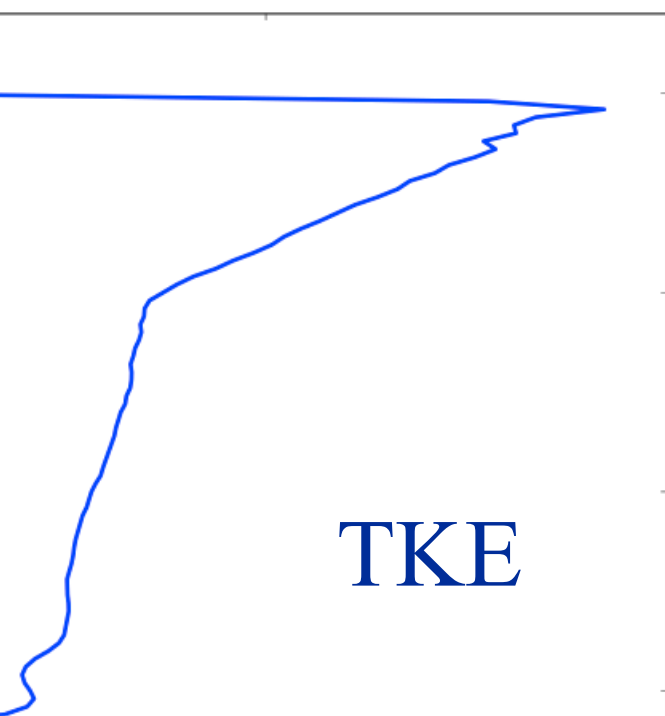
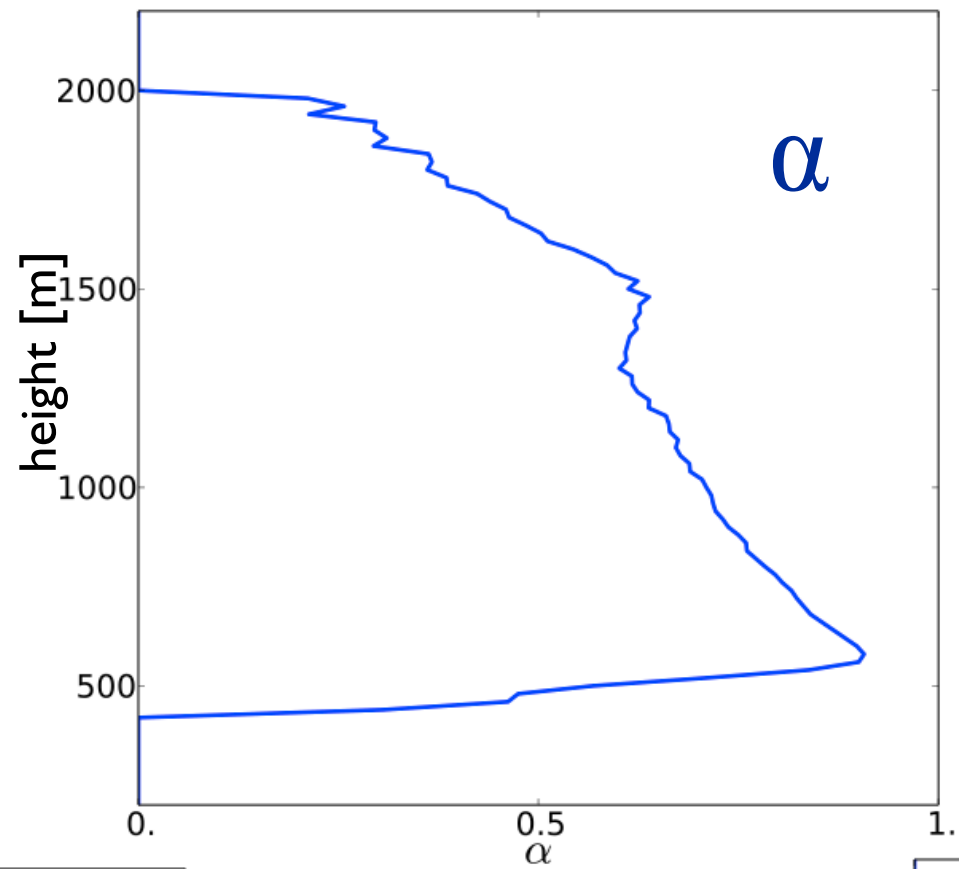
with height



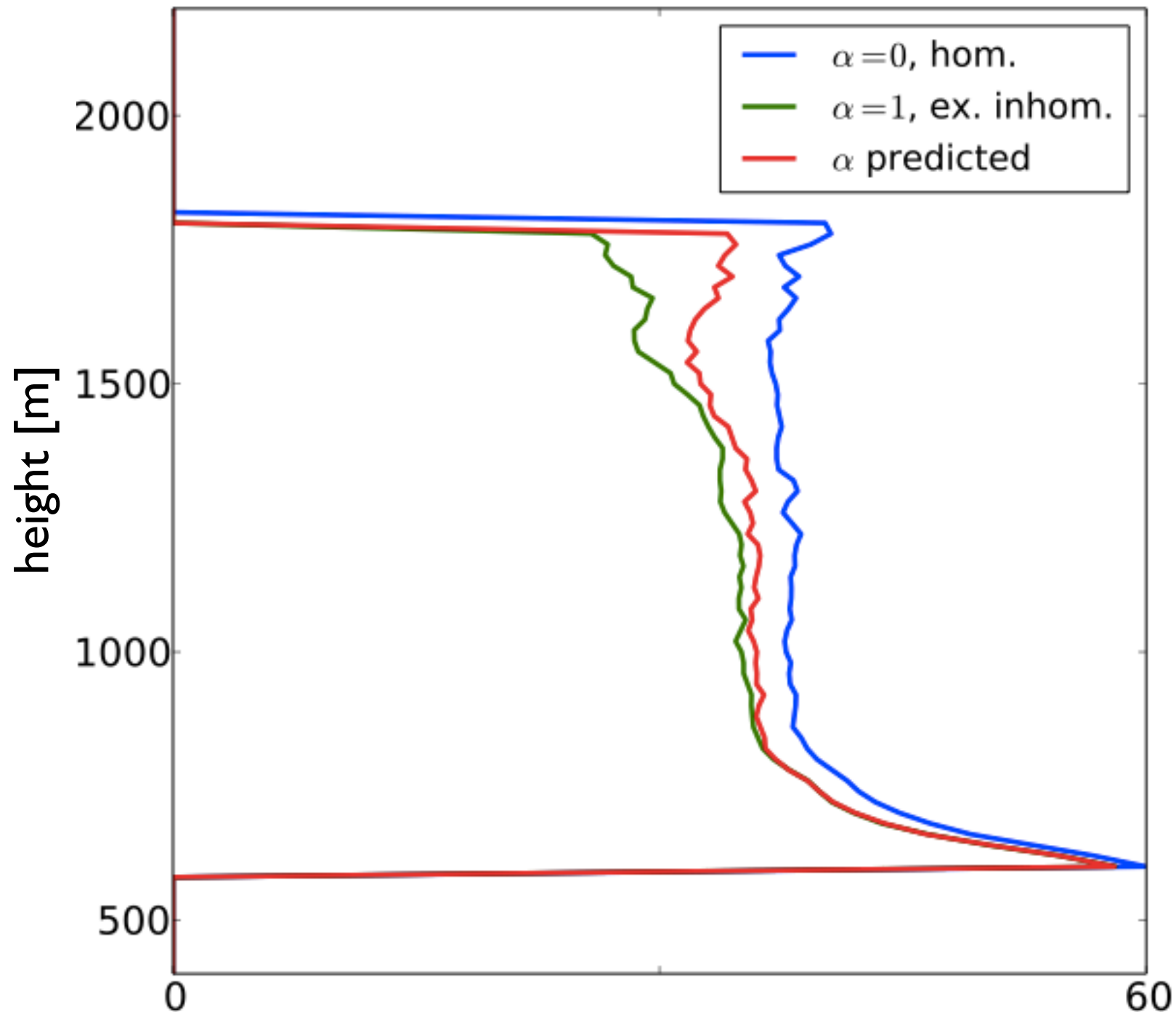
$\alpha = 0$

$\alpha = 1$

homogeneous



# with various mixing scenarios



predicting scale of cloudy filaments  $\lambda$  allows representing in a simple way progress of the turbulence between cloudy air and entrained dry environmental air.

parameter  $\alpha$  and the mixing scenario can be predicted as a function of  $\lambda$ , TKE, RH, and droplet radius  $r$ .

BOMEX simulations,  $\alpha$  decreases with height on average, i.e., the mixing becomes more homogeneous. This is consistent with both TKE and droplet radius increasing with height.