CALIBRATION OF STOCHASTIC ICE NUCLEATION SCHEME

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INTRODUCTION



Ice nucleation is parameterized differently across global models. Some models use deterministic over the more physically accurate stochastic parameterizations because of their computational efficiency. While it is preferable to use a consistent set of parameterizations that would account for key aerosol types and all relevant conditions, many paramererizations are restricted to select conditions.¹

$$log_{10}(J) = m\Delta a_w + c$$

Parameterization for aerosol-dependent **heterogeneous** nucleation rate coefficient, J, is linear in water activity criterion.^{2, 3}

GOAL:

Calibrate a consistent and computationally efficient set of time- & aerosol- dependent parameterizations for homogeneous, immersion, and deposition ice nucleation.



A linear regression is performed for a similar cubic parameterization for **homogeneous** freezing.⁴



- Priors used are derived from literature (see pre-calib curve)
- Parameterizations implemented in an adiabatic parcel model
- Free parameters calibrated against AIDA chamber (from KIT)
- Calibrations performed with EnsembleKalmanProcesses.jl



Check out the CloudMicrophysics.jl GitHub repo for details, other work, and tools.









Further Investigation

 Calibration for heterogeneous freezing modes

- Error analysis
- Compare to atmospheric observations
- Compare to a sizeresolved scheme

Scaling Up

- What are key aerosol types that should be accounted for regionally and temporally?
- What data should be used to validate ice crystal number concentrations across the globe?
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