

Hydrometeor partitioning ratios for polarimetric ground-based and dual-frequency space-borne radar observations

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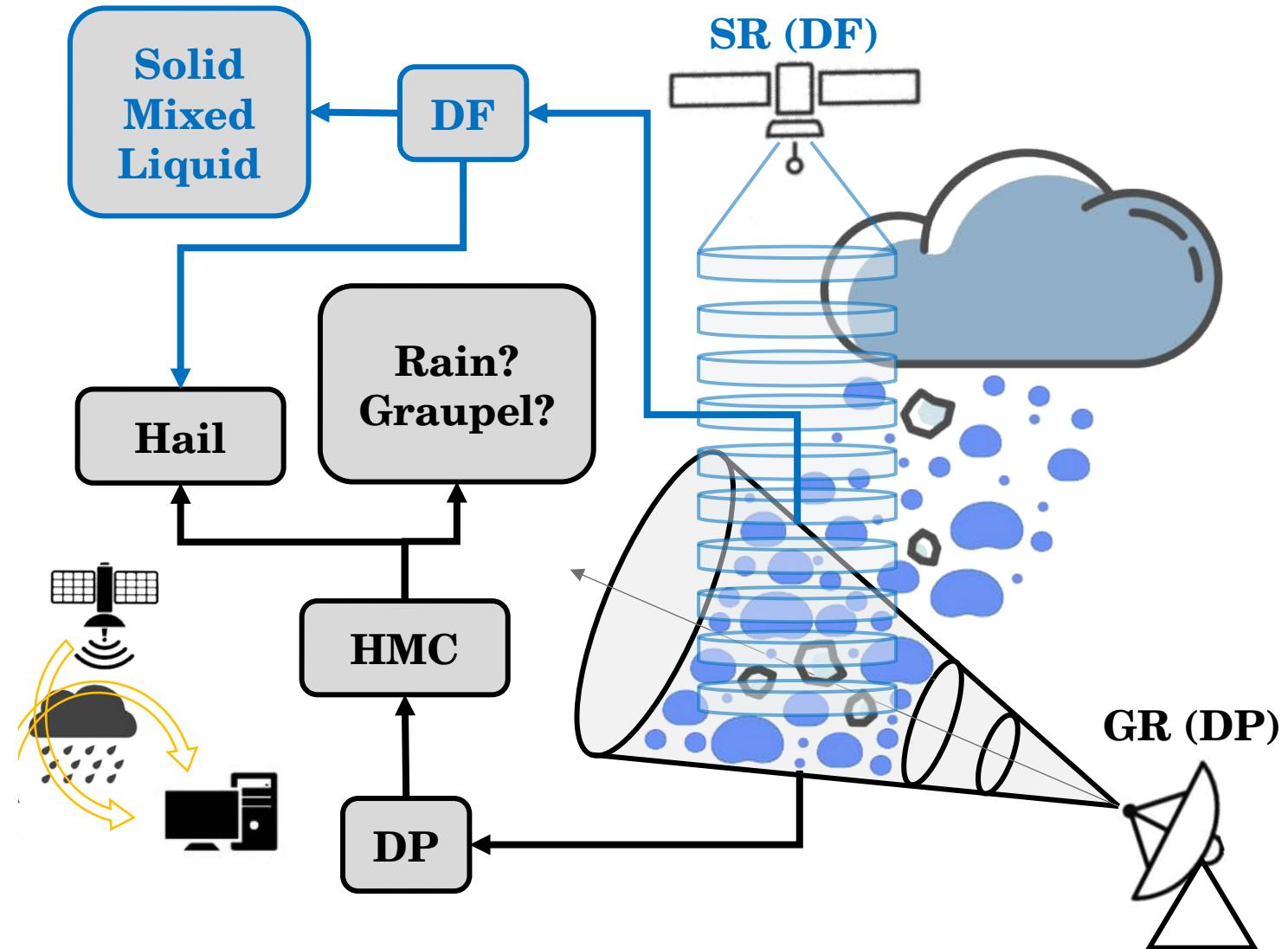
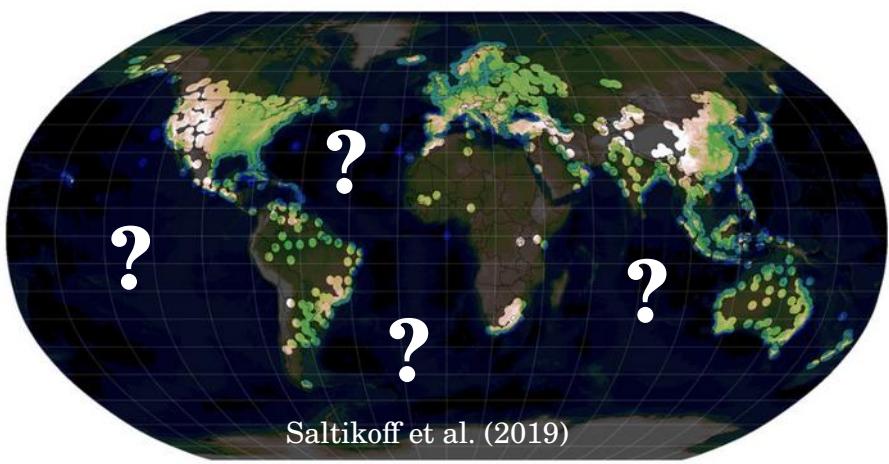
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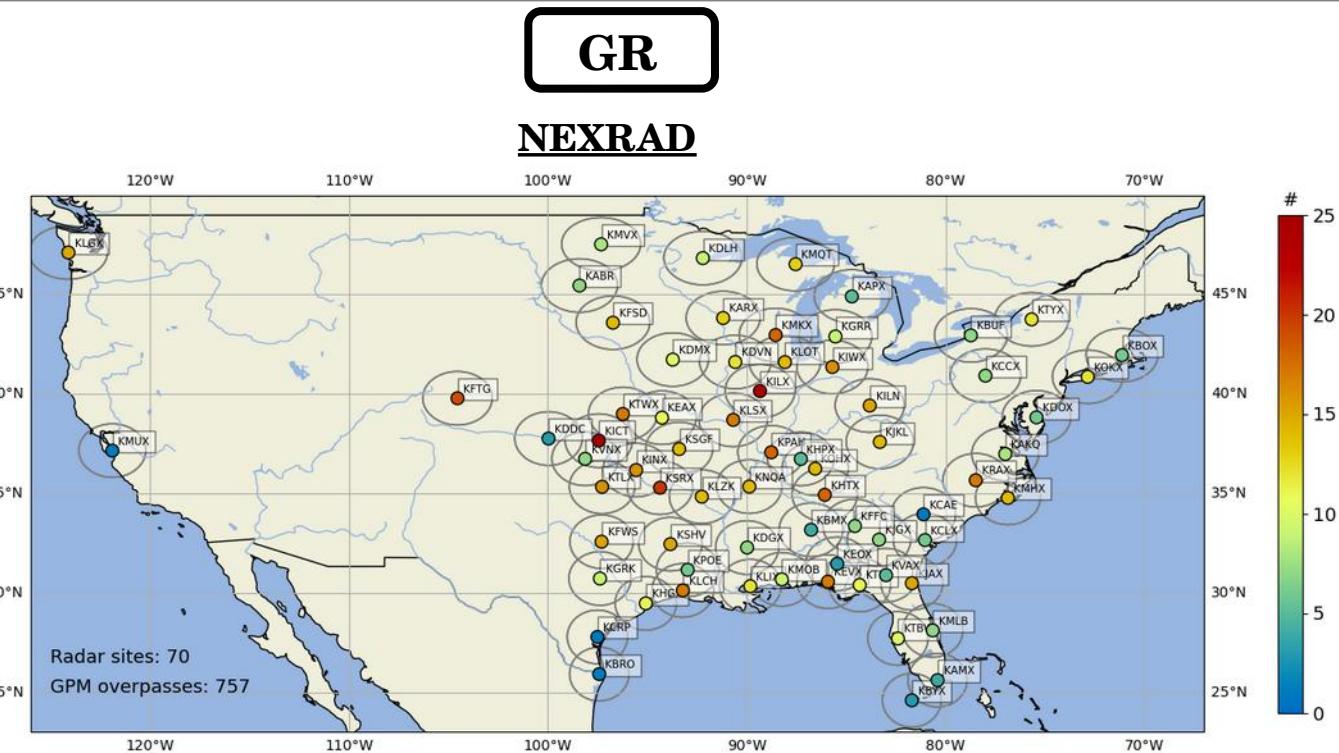
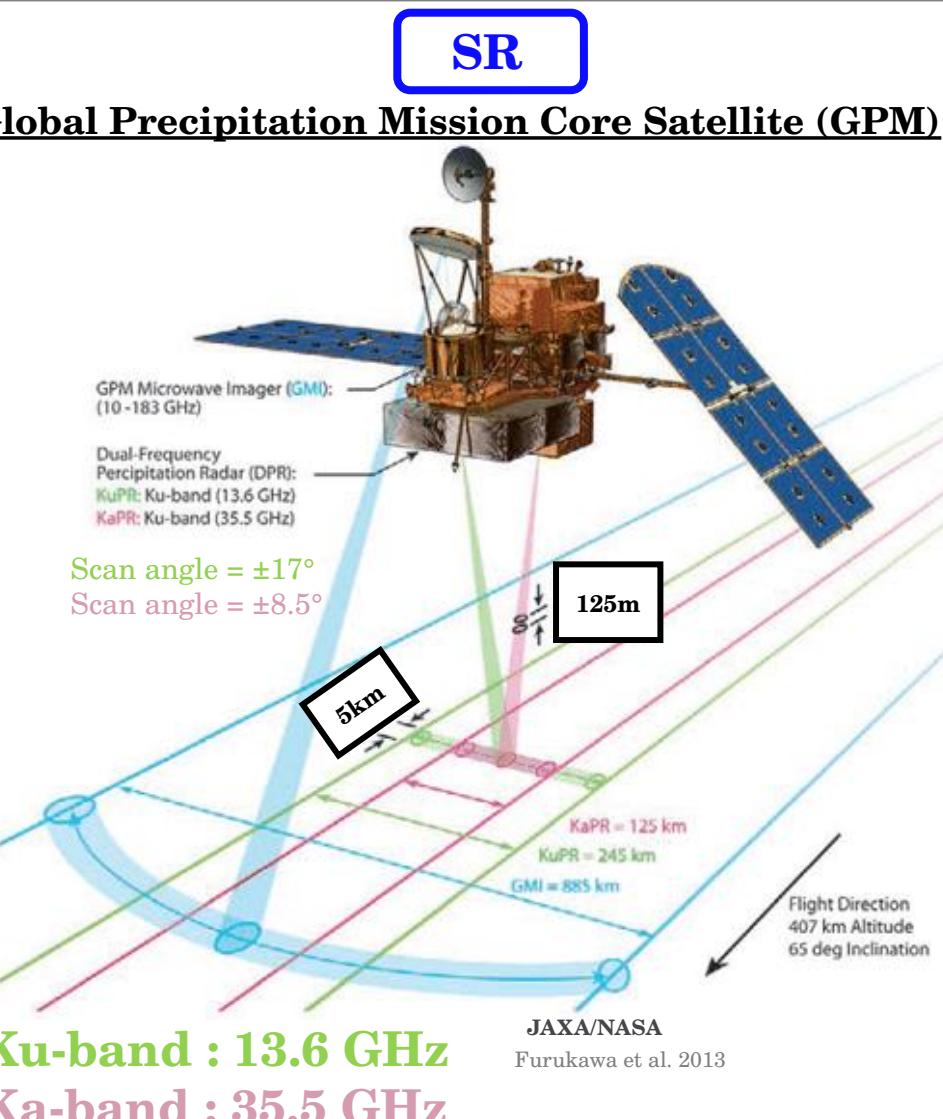
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Objectives/Motivation

Derivation and validation of hydrometeor partitioning ratios (**HPR**) estimated with hydrometeor classifications (**HMC-P**) based on dual-frequency (**DF**) or dual polarization (**DP**) measurements by combining ground-based (**GR**) and space borne radar (**SR**) observations.

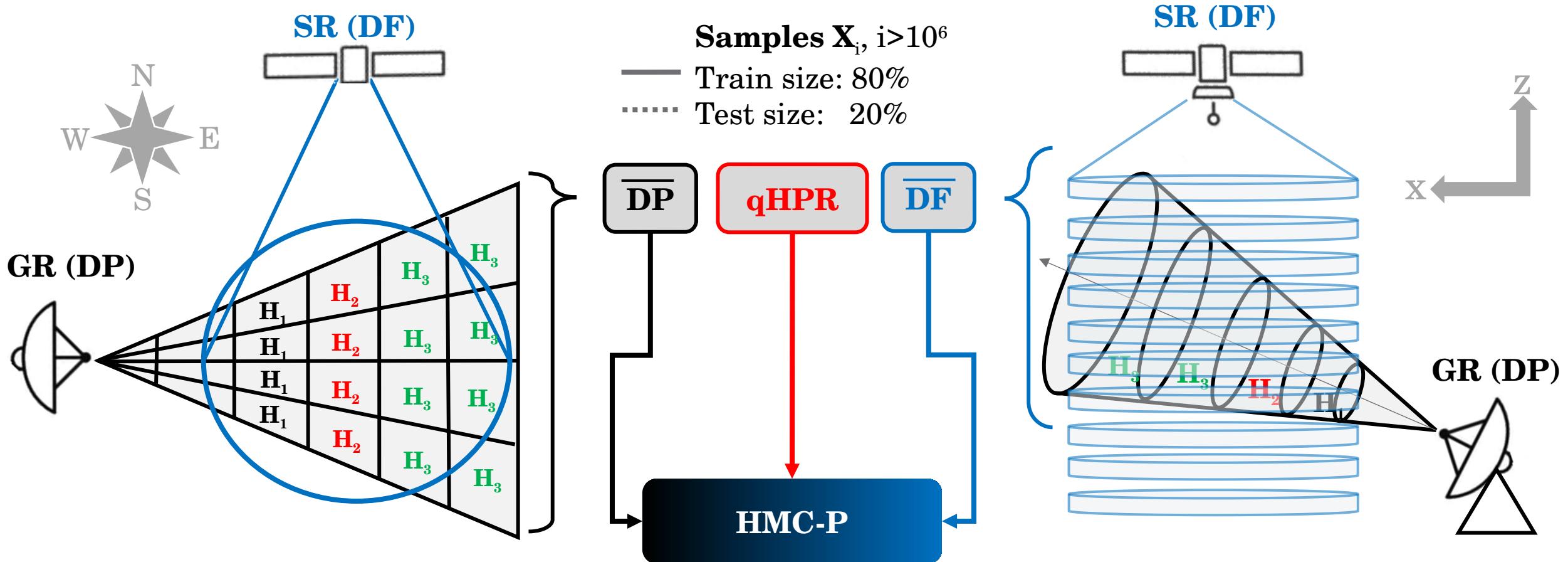


Data



- **S-band (~3GHz) DP weather radar data**
- **Resolution:** $\Delta r: 250\text{m}$, $\Delta\phi: 1^\circ$, $\Delta\theta: 0.5^\circ\text{-}19^\circ$
- **757** volume scans between **2014** and **2023** with GPM overpass are used.

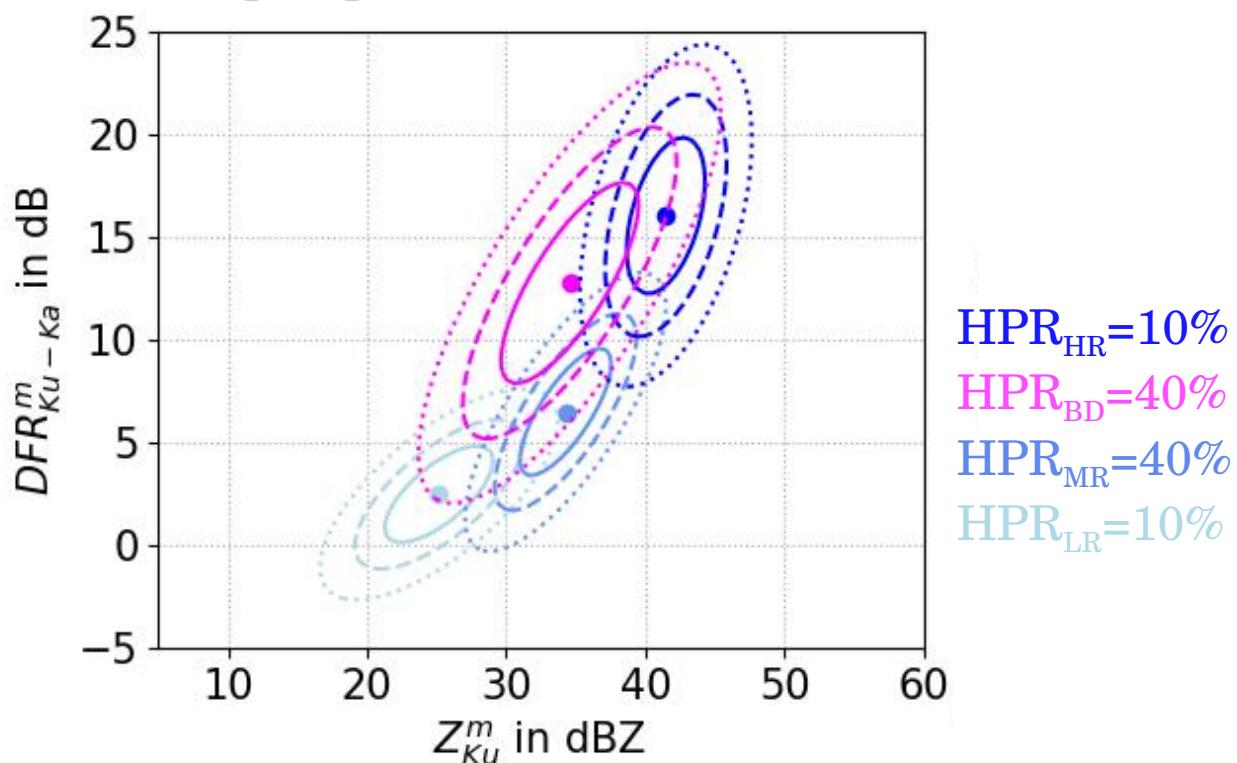
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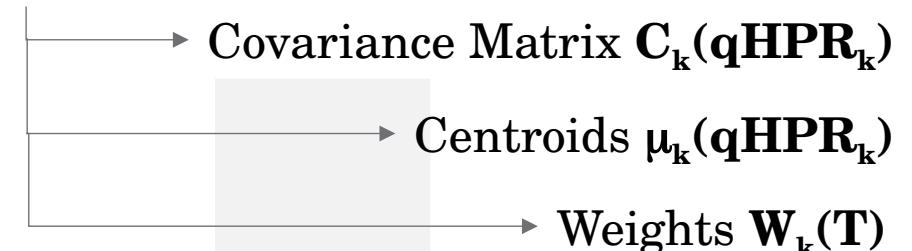
Estimation of HPR with HMC-P

$$X_i^{DF} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{Z}_{Ku}^m \\ DFR_{Ku - Ka}^m \\ RT \end{bmatrix}$$

- Light Rain (HPR_{LR})
- Moderate Rain (HPR_{MR})
- Heavy Rain (HPR_{HR})
- Big Drops (HPR_{BD})



Samples $\mathbf{X}_i, i > 10^6$



Multivariat Normaldistribution (MVND):

Refined approach of Besic et al. (2018)

$$p_k(X | \mu_k, C_k) = \Lambda \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (X - \mu_k)^\top C_k^{-1} (X - \mu_k) \right)$$

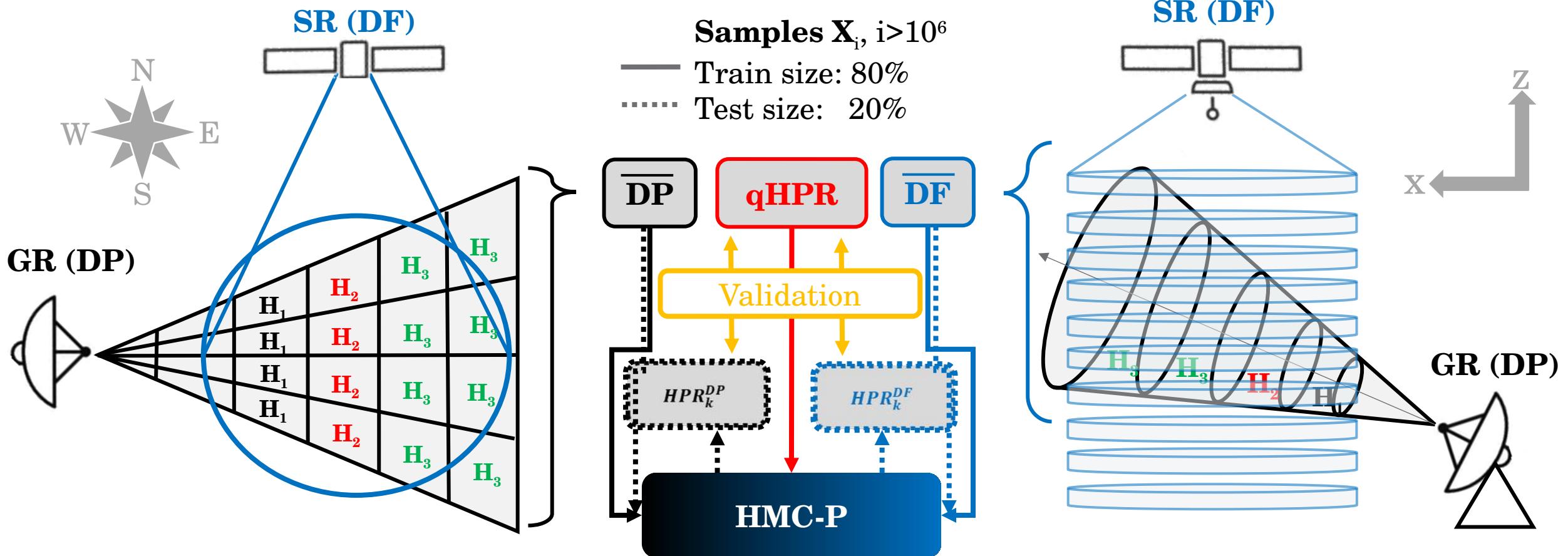
$$\tilde{p}_k = \frac{p_k(X)}{p_k(\mu_k)}$$

$$\Lambda = 1 / \sqrt{(2\pi)^d |C_k|}$$

Hydrometeor Partitioning Ratio (HPR):

$$HPR_k = \frac{W_k(T) \tilde{p}_k}{\sum_{k=1}^n W_k(T) \tilde{p}_k}$$

Validation of HPRs^{DP/DF}



Validation of HPR^{DP/DF}

HPR^{DP}

HPR^{DF}

qHPR

qHPR(RH+HA, IC+PD)

Test size: 20%

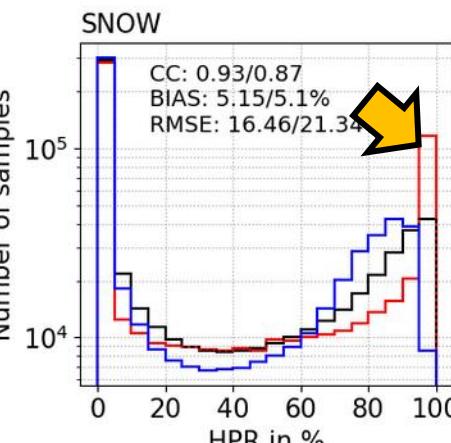
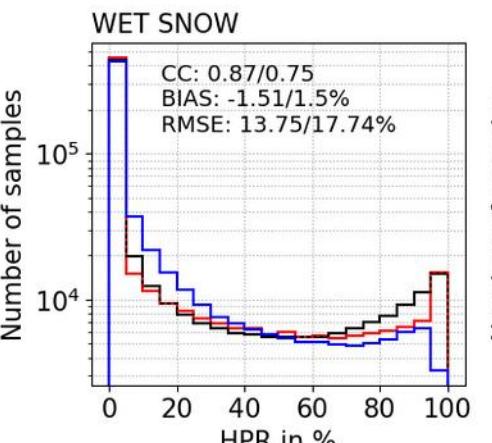
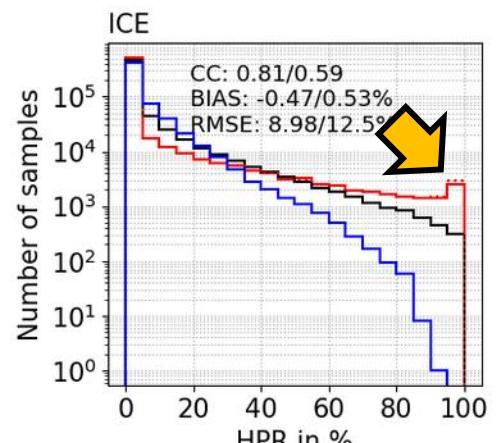
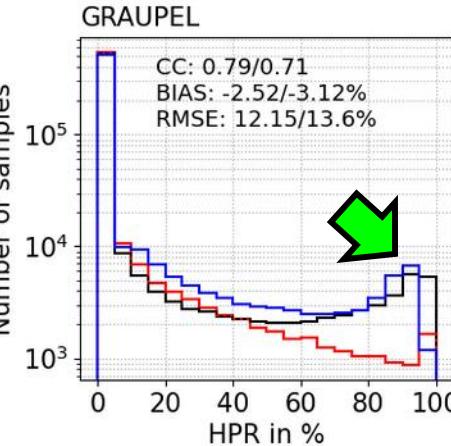
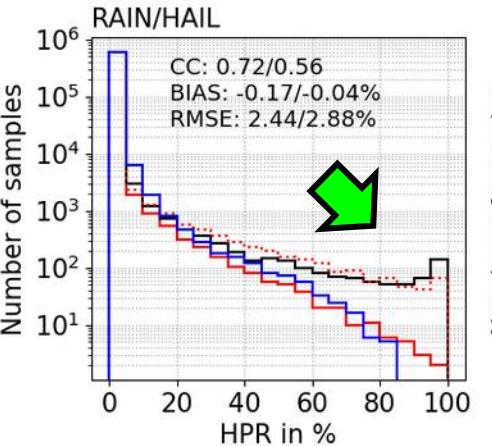
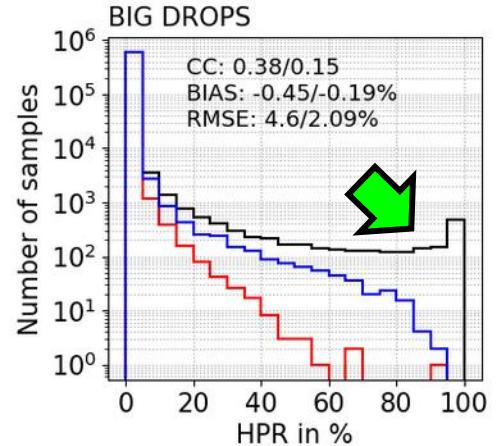
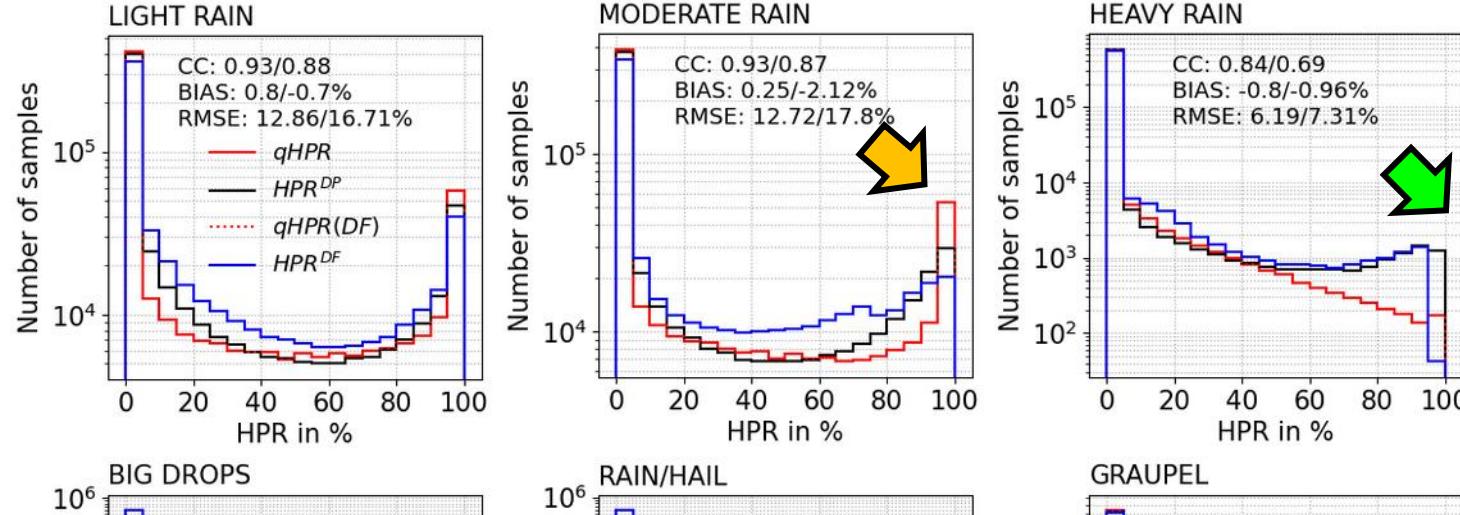
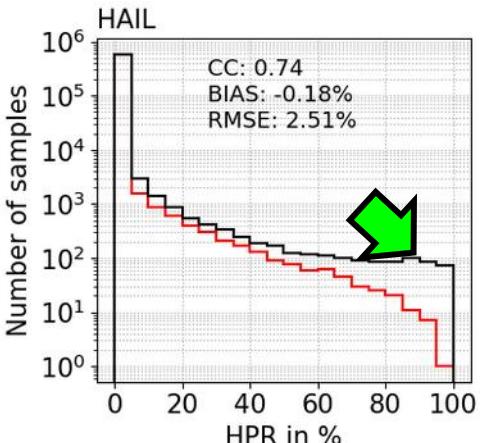
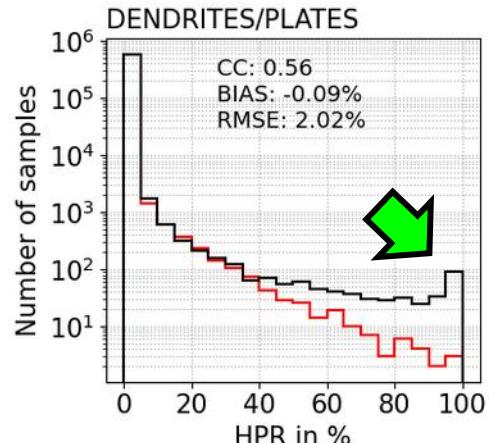


Overestimation



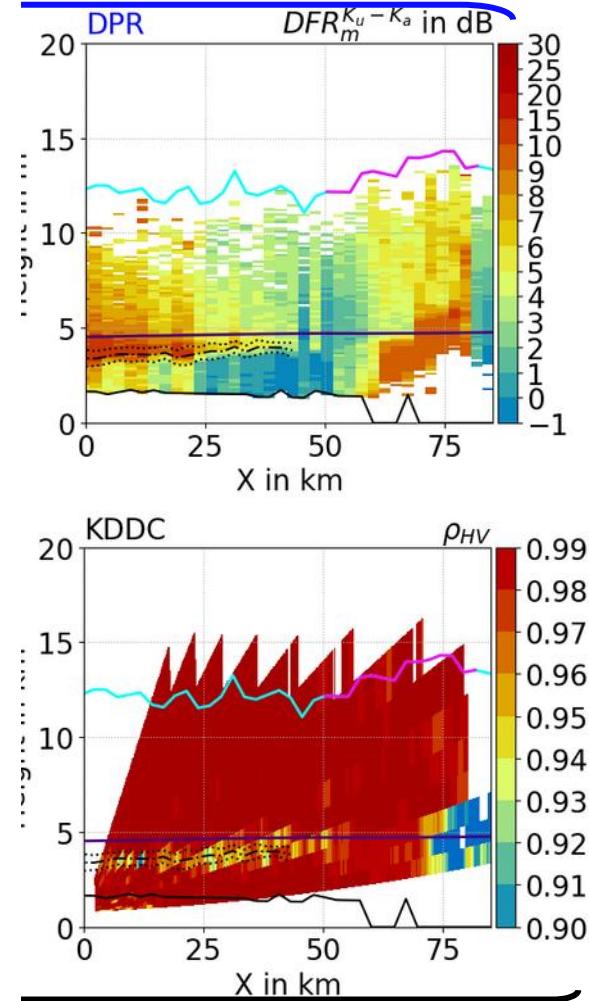
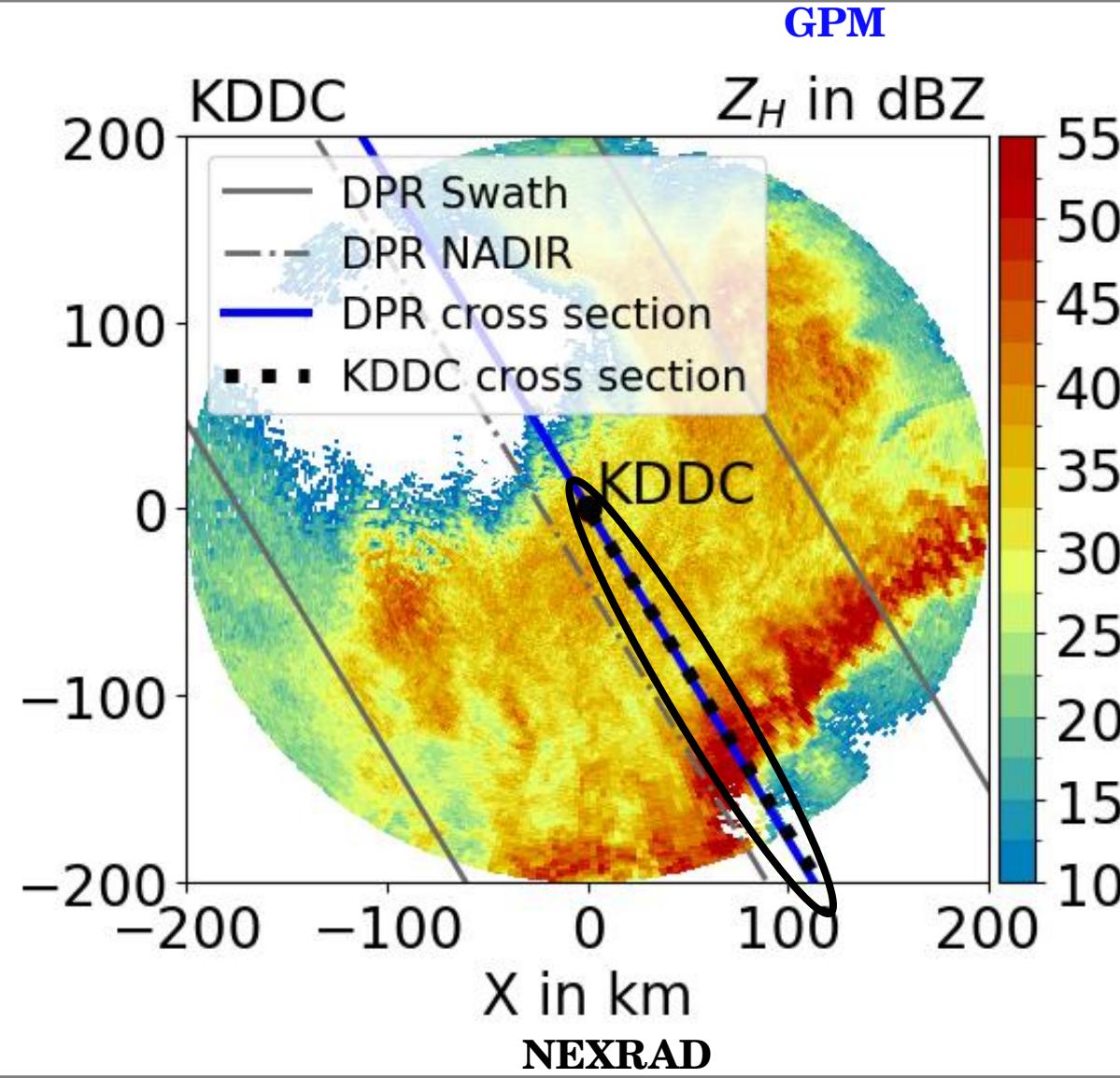
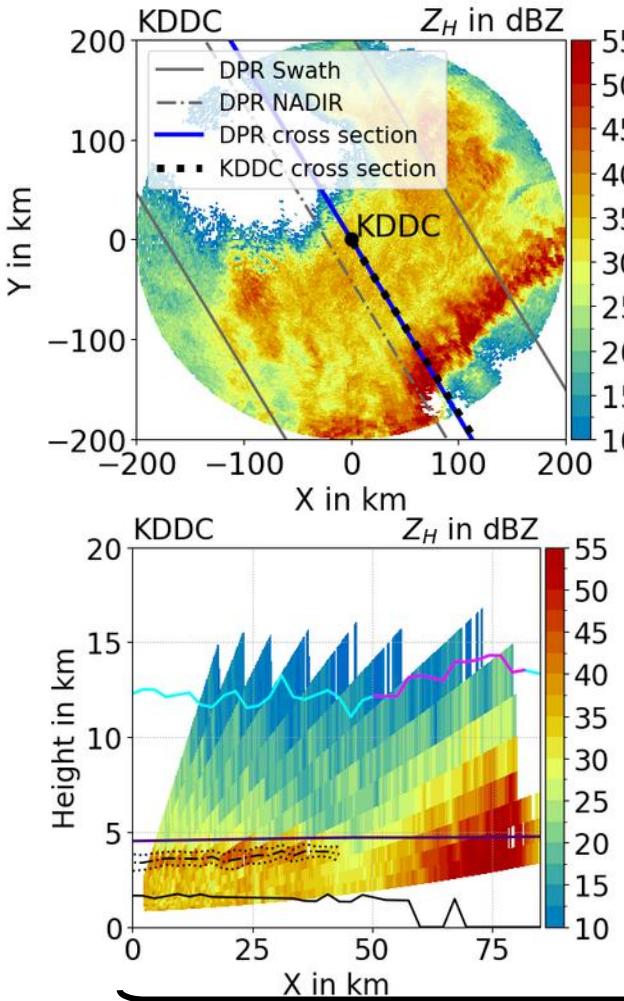
Underestimation

➤ **Performance: DP > DF**

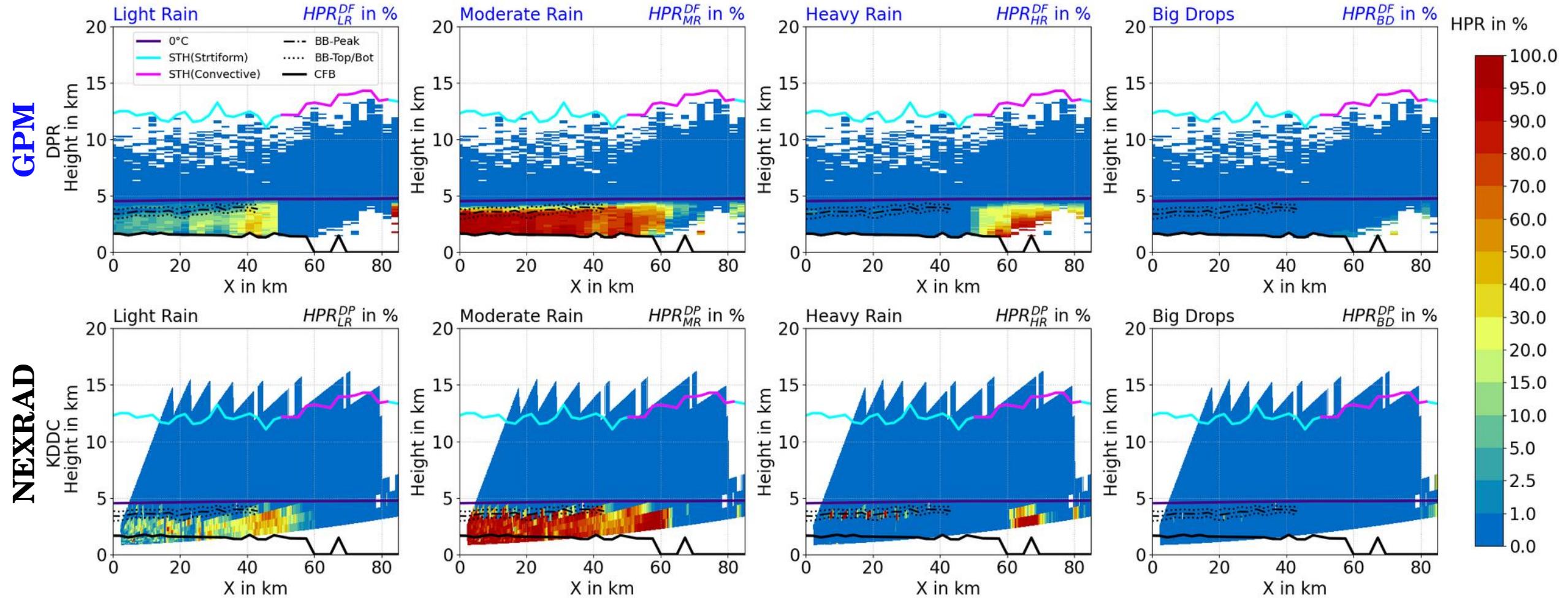


Comparison between GPM and NEXRAD

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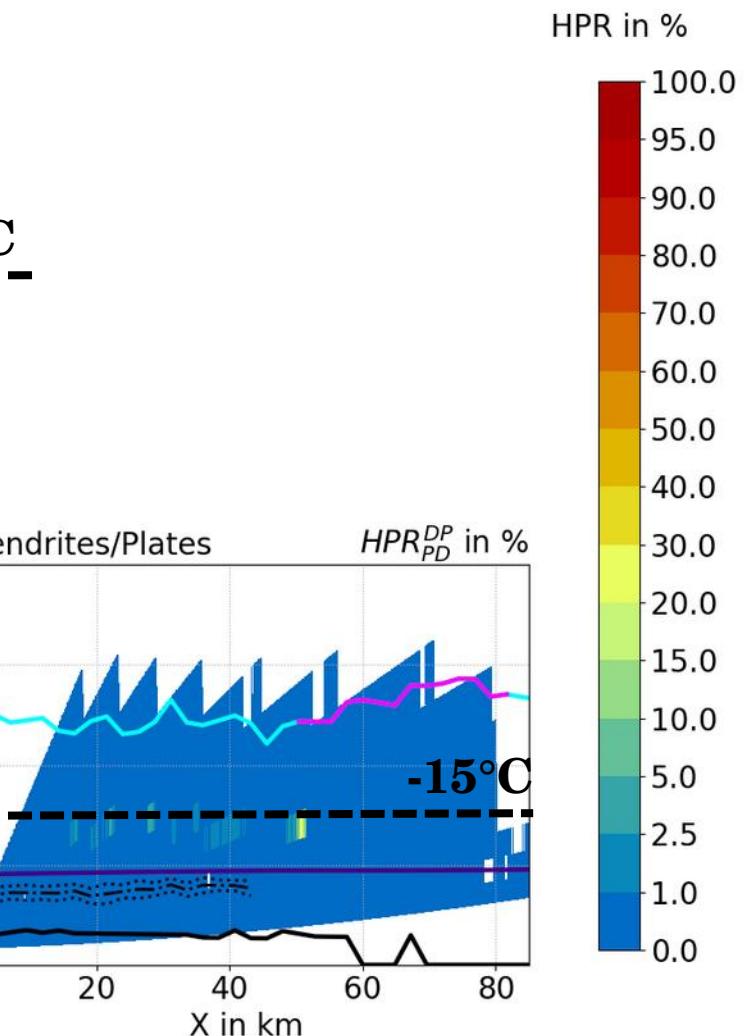
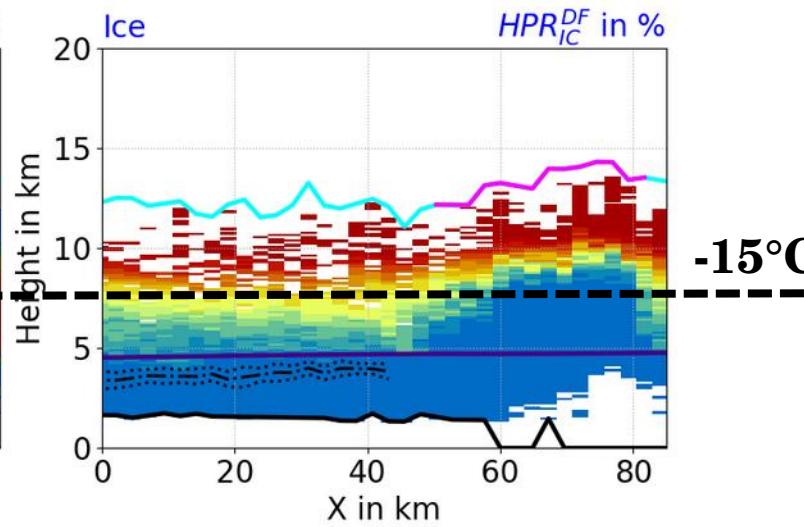
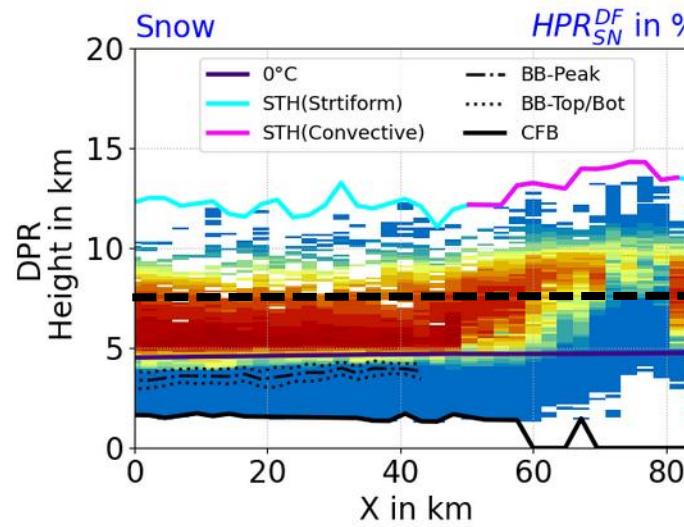


HPR^{DF/DP}-Estimates for liquid hydrometeors

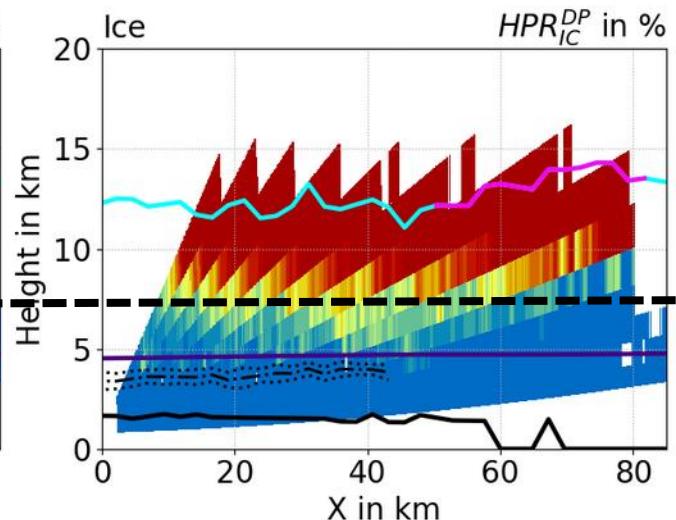
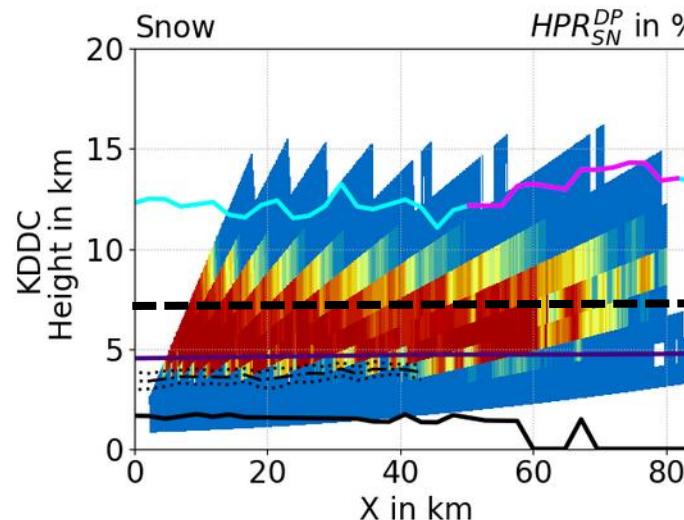


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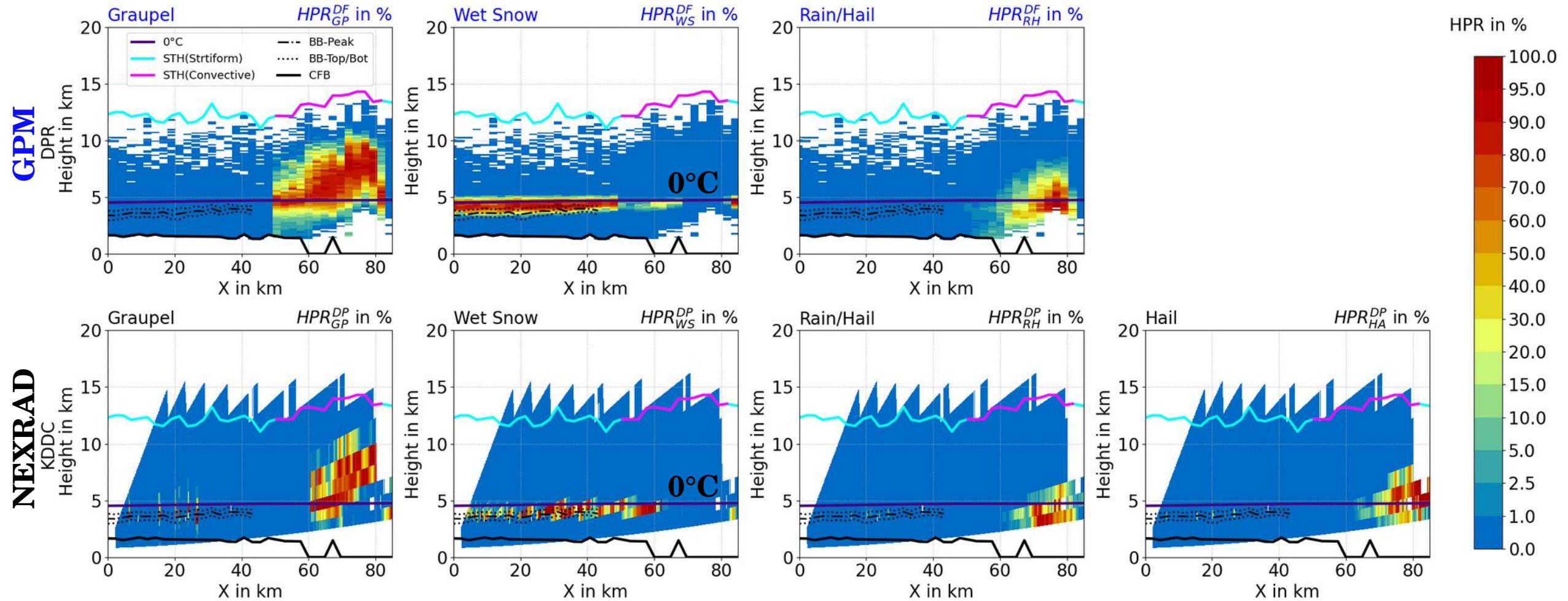
GPM



NEXRAD



HPR^{DF/DP}-Estimates for mixed hydrometeors

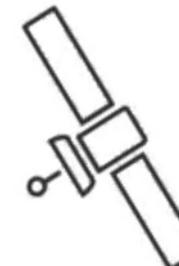
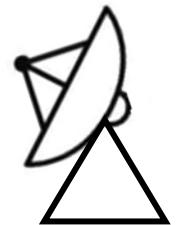


Summary

- We derived **HPR** based only on DF or DP observations.
- **HMC-P reproduces the qHPR** ("ground truth") to a **high degree**.
- Direct comparisons of HPR^{DF} and HPR^{DP} show **consistent results**.
- **Performance:** DP > DF
- **Overestimation of higher HPRs values** for hail, graupel, big drops, heavy rain and dendrites/plates and **underestimation** of moderate rain, ice and snow.

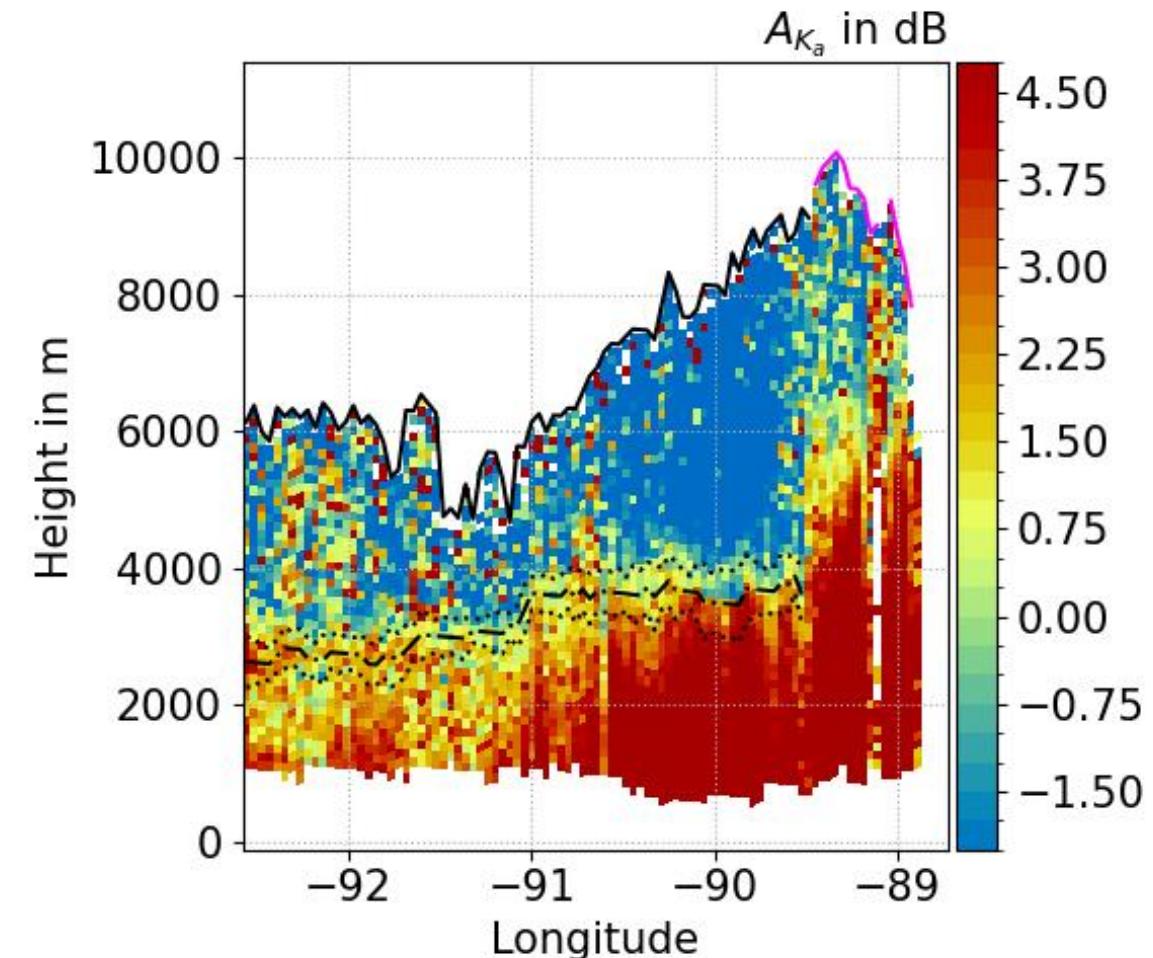
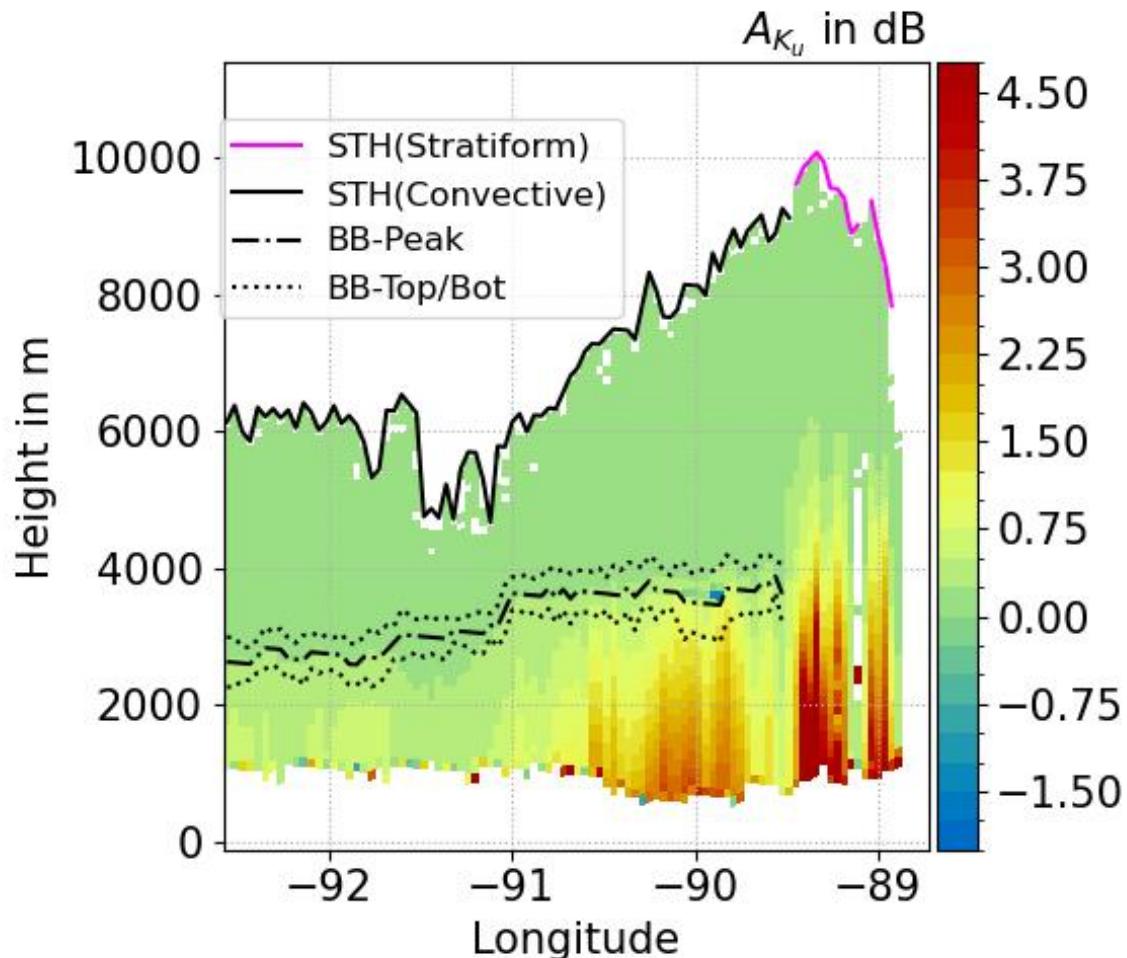


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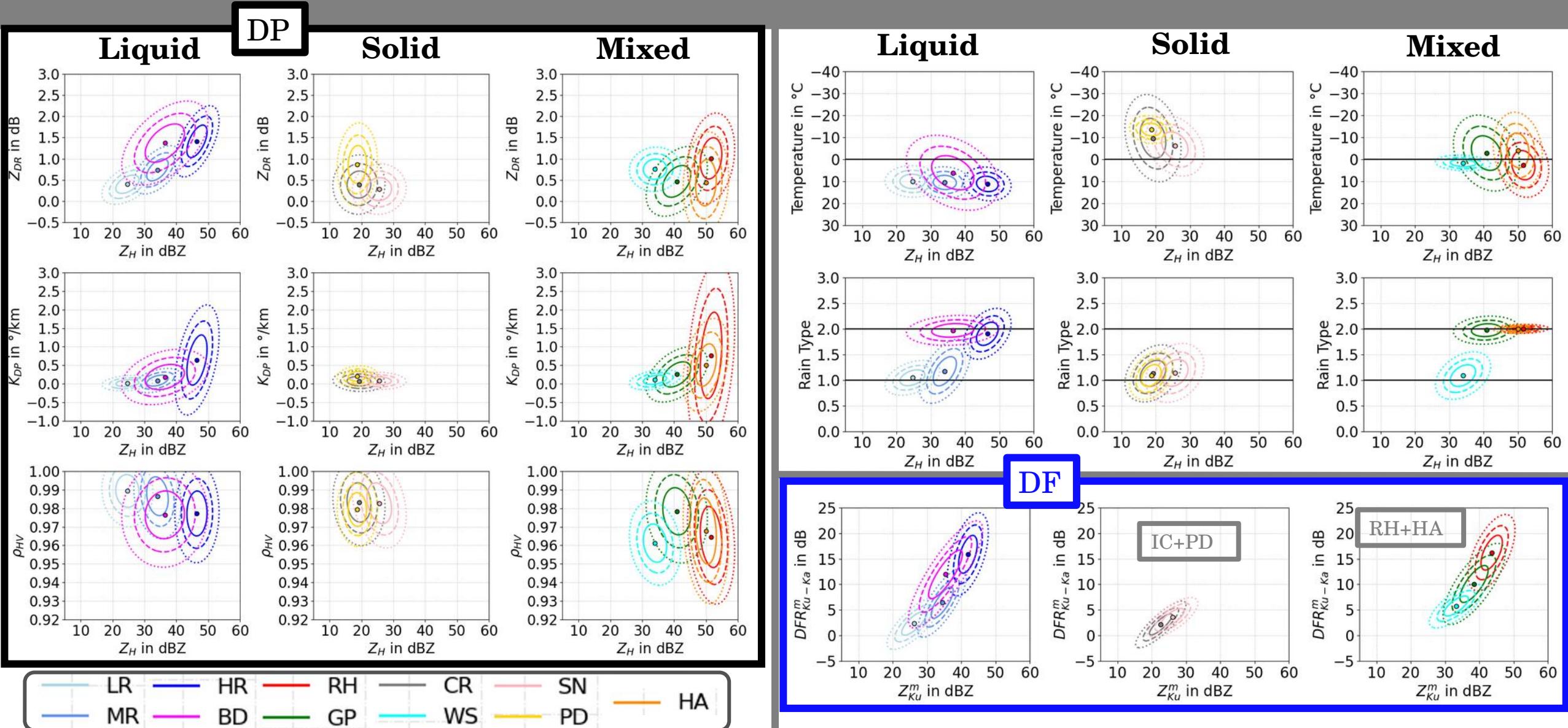


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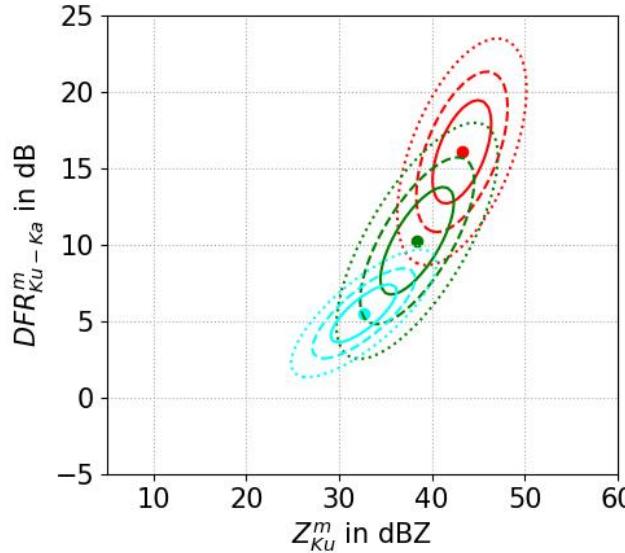
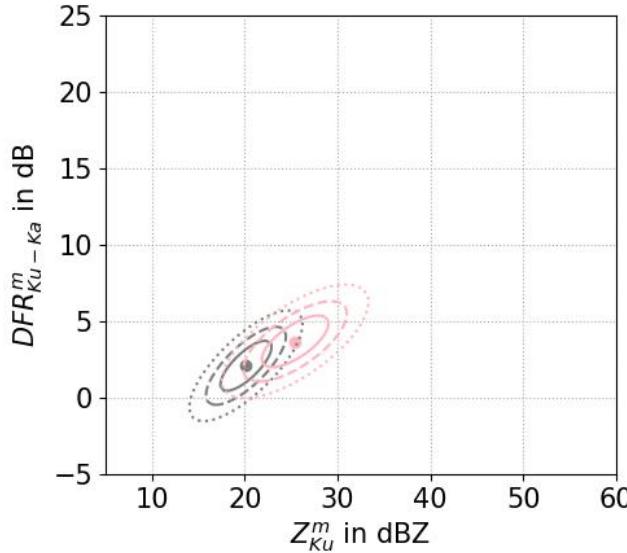
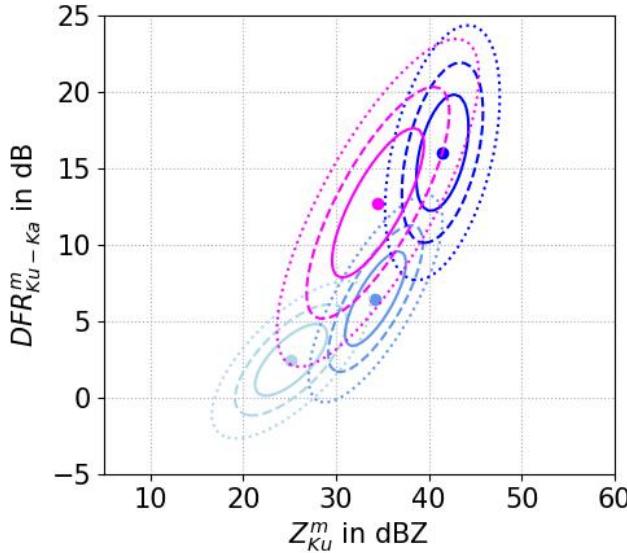
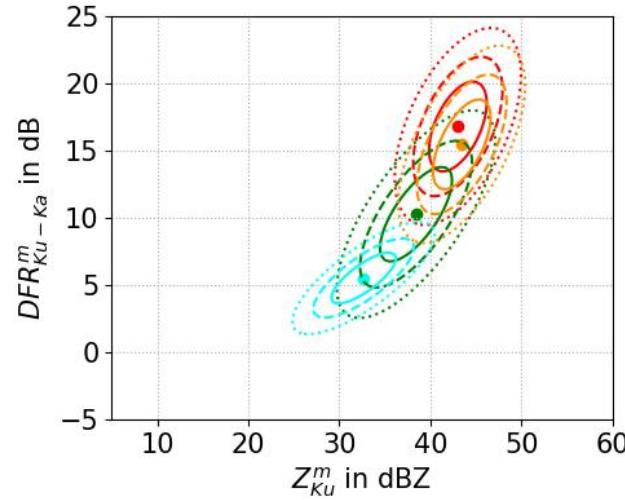
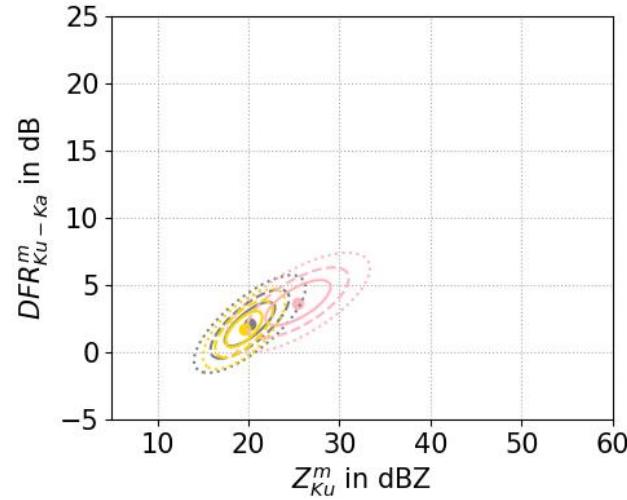
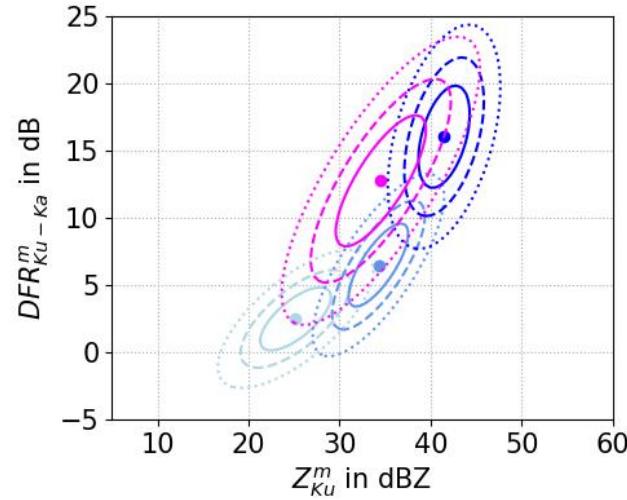
DPR – Attenuation Correction



MVND for DP and DF



DP-MVND



Strong overlapping
DF-MVND for RH
and HA and IC and
PD!

RH + HA
IC + PD!

- LR
- MR
- HR
- BD
- RH
- GR
- IC
- WS
- SN
- DP
- DH

Quasiparticle HPR Model Selection and Validation

