

**Priority Project T<sup>2</sup>RC<sup>2</sup>:**

# **Coupling between the schemes of shallow-convection and radiation**

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# Outline

1. How it is done in COSMO-operational?
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3. Next improvement
4. The fate of LWC from Shallow-Convection scheme
5. Summary

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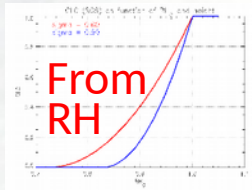
for "typical clouds"



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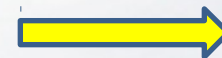
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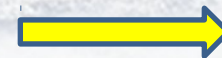
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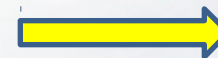
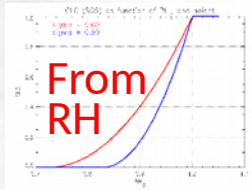
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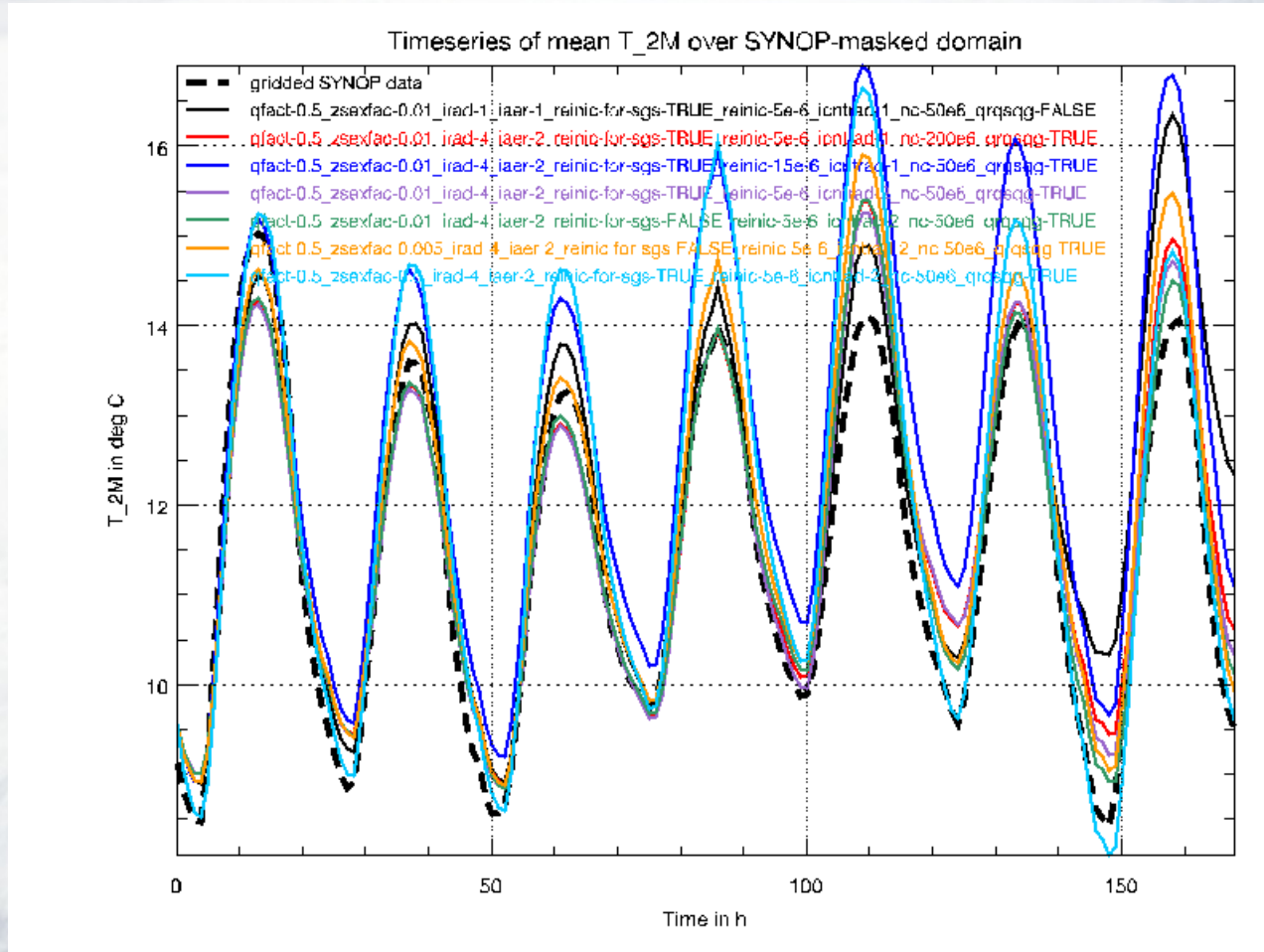
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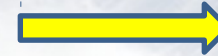
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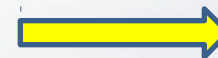
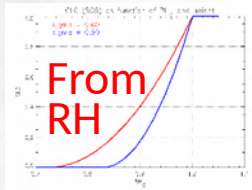
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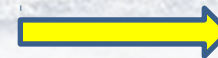
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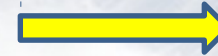
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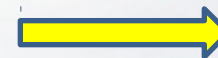
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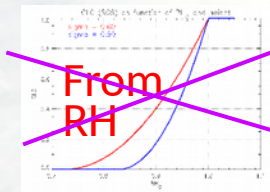
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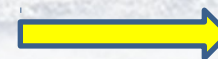
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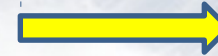
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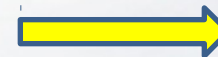
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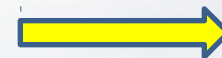
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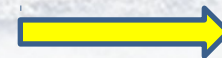
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# Mean effective radius

$q_c$  and  $N_d$  are highly dispersive but  $R_e$  is not! Better get  $q_c$  from  $R_e$

~~$$\bar{R}_e = c_1 \left( \frac{\overline{q_c}}{\overline{n_c}} \right)^{e_2}$$~~

## Better calculation

In cloud core below rain formation level and before significant mixing occurs:

$$r_{e\_ad}(z) = 1.15 \cdot r_v = 1.15 \cdot \left( \frac{LWC_{ad}(z)}{\frac{4}{3}\pi\rho_w N_{d\_ad}} \right)^{1/3}$$

Due to rain formation:

$$r_{e\_max} = \min(22\mu m, r_{e\_ad})$$

From Segal-Khain  
using CAMS/ART !

The mean eff. radius is slightly smaller:  
and deviates with height from the core value due to mixing:

$$\bar{r}_e(z) = \alpha(z) r_{e\_max}(z)$$

$$\alpha(z) = 0.95 - 1.2 \cdot 10^{-4} (z - z_{cb})$$

## In case of rain ...

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Formation of raindrops is seen by termination of the  $r_e$  growth with height. In case of rain drop formation, effective radius determined within the range of cloud droplet radii ( $<25 \mu m$ ) does not exceed about  $22 \mu m$  and remains height independent (Fig. 10, E500H). Such regime is known as rainout (Rosenfeld and Lensky, 1998). The reason of low dependence of  $r_e$  with height in case of raindrop formation is that raindrops collect cloud droplets of all sizes that leads to decrease in droplet concentration, but does not change effective radius of the cloud droplet mode.

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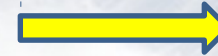
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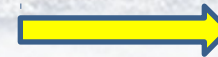
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# LWC for shallow convection (SGS)

In cloud core:

$$N_{d\_max}(z) = \begin{cases} N_{d\_ad}, & \text{below the level } z_{12}, \text{ where } r_{e\_ad} = 12\mu\text{m} \\ N_{d\_ad}[1 - \gamma(z - z_{12})], & \text{above the level } z_{12} \end{cases}$$

Cloud mean:

$$\overline{N_d}(z) \approx \beta N_{d\_max}(z), \quad \beta = 0.38$$

$$\overline{LWC}(z) = \overline{\frac{4}{3}\pi\rho_w N_d(z) r_v^3(z)} = \overline{\frac{4}{3}\pi\rho_w N_d(z) \left(\frac{r_e(z)}{1.15}\right)^3}$$

However, since variability of effective radius is low, the last equality can be rewritten as:

$$\overline{LWC}(z) \approx \frac{4}{3}\pi\rho_w \overline{N_d}(z) \left(\frac{\overline{r_e}(z)}{1.15}\right)^3,$$

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Below rain formation level, due to mixing, the mean LWC deviates from stronger (with Z):

$$LWC(z) \approx \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho_w \beta N_{ad} \left( \frac{\alpha(z) r_{e,ad}(z)}{111.5} \right)^3 = \beta [0.95 - 1.2 \cdot 10^{-4} (z - z_{cb})] LWC_{ad}(z) \quad (*)$$

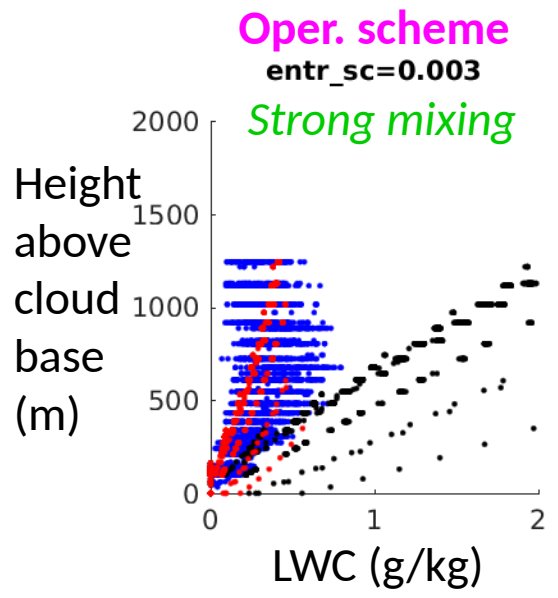
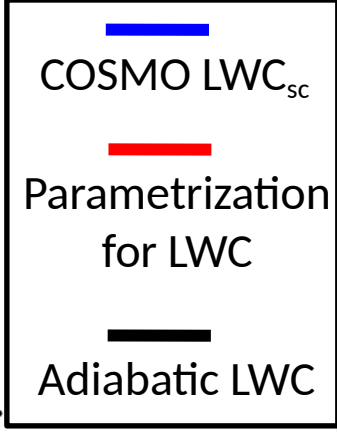
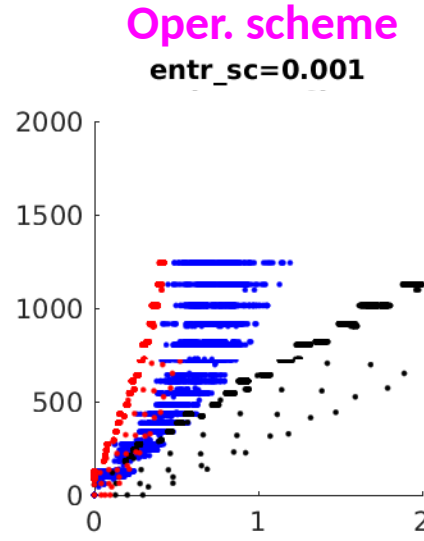
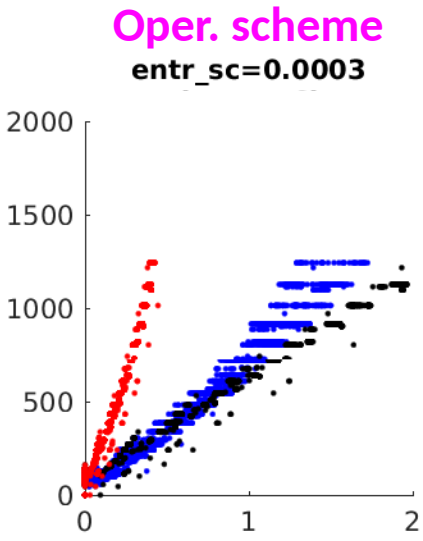
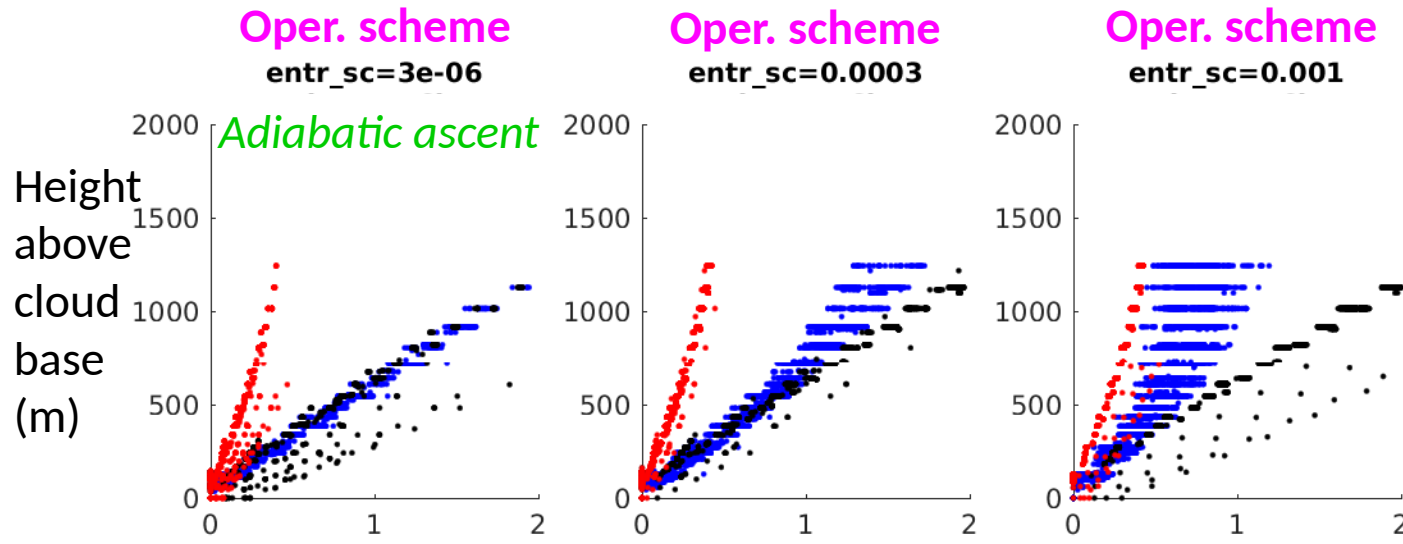
In COSMO Shallow-Convection scheme, an ascending parcel with entrainment rate “entr\_sc” approximates an ensemble of shallow Cu in the grid-box.

During the ascend, the parcel saturates and produces  $LWC_{sc}$  which is not used further in the model

The parametrization (\*) was obtained for a real ensemble of shallow cumulus with detailed description of mixing.

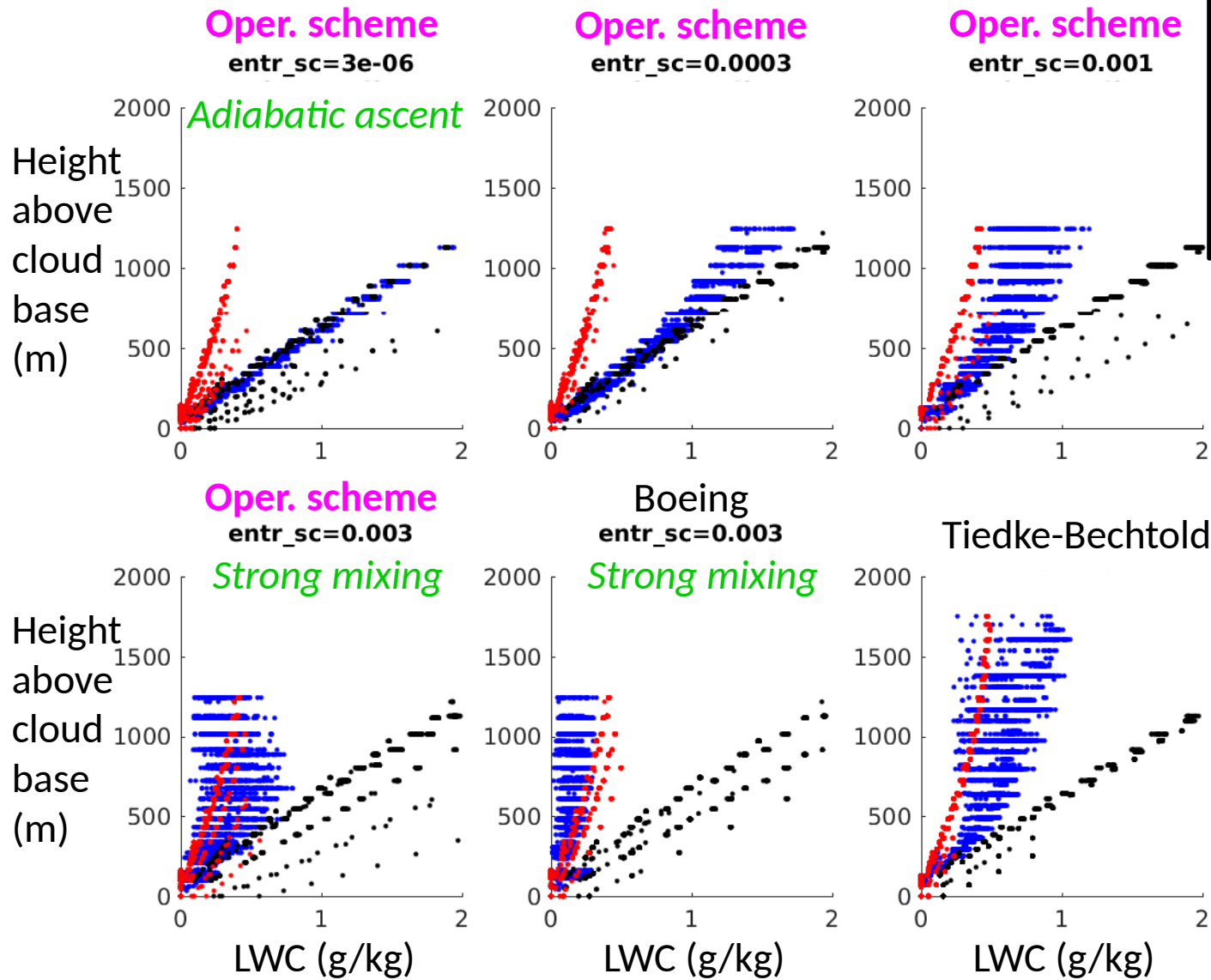
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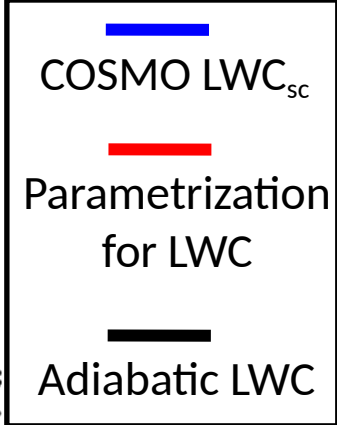
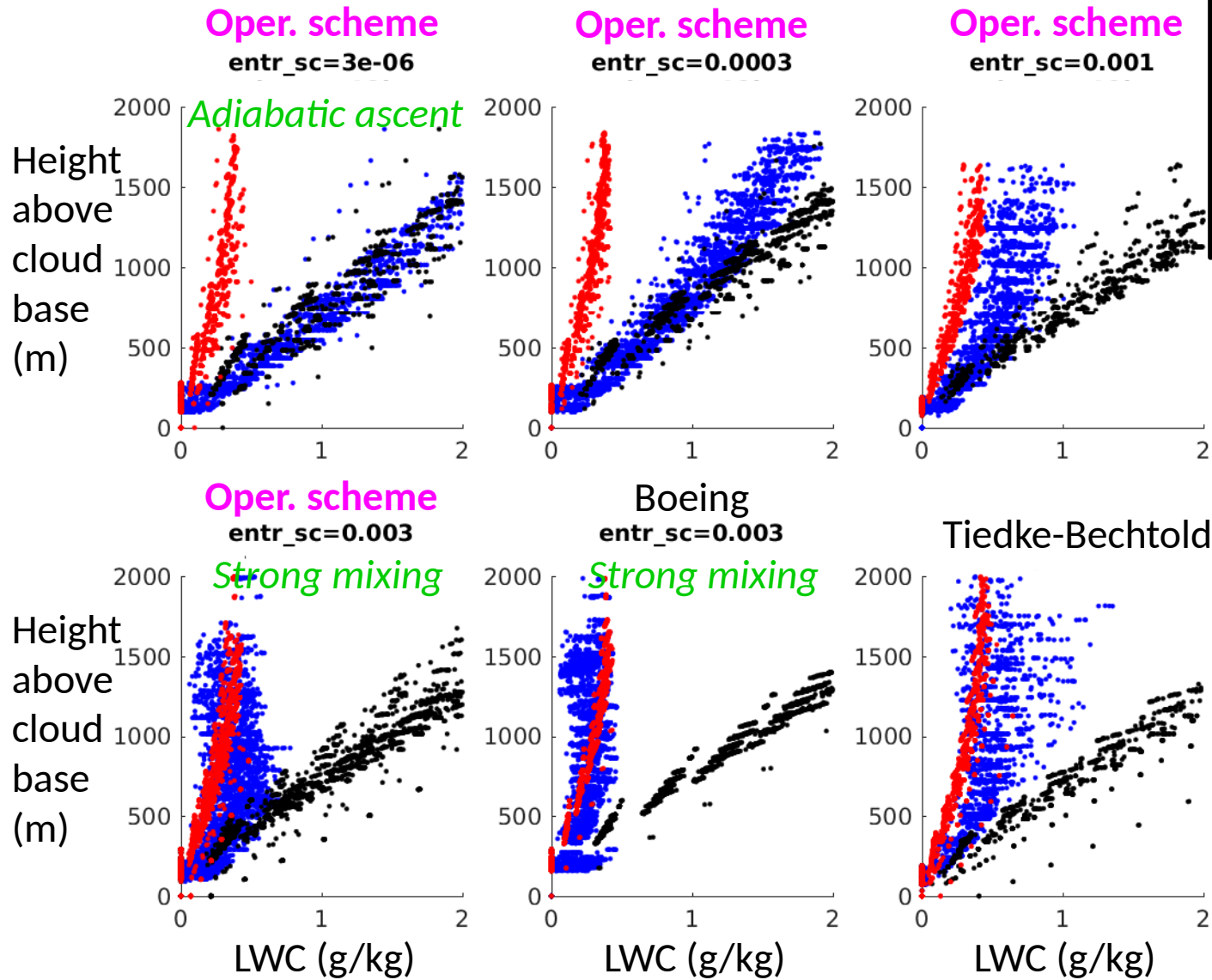




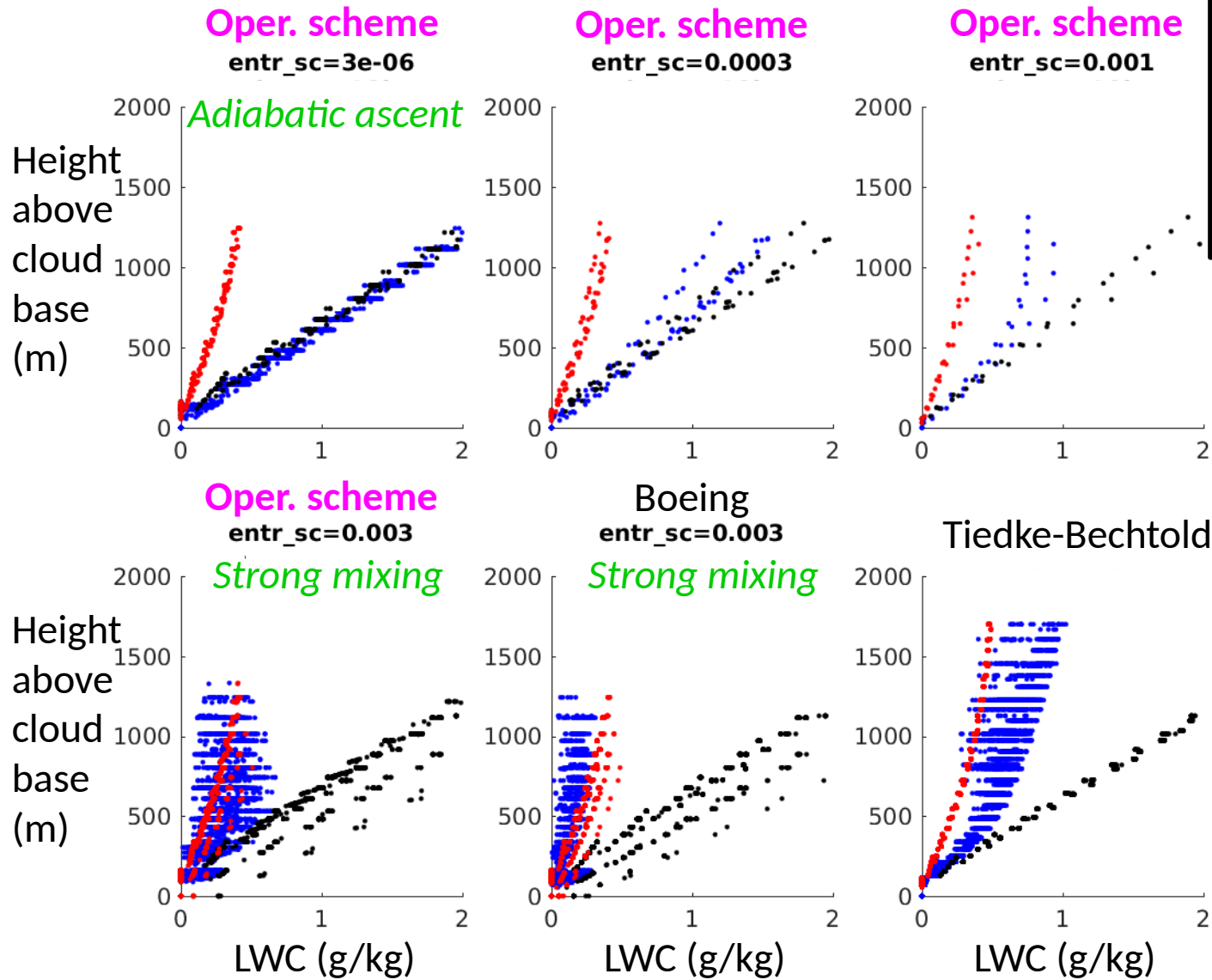
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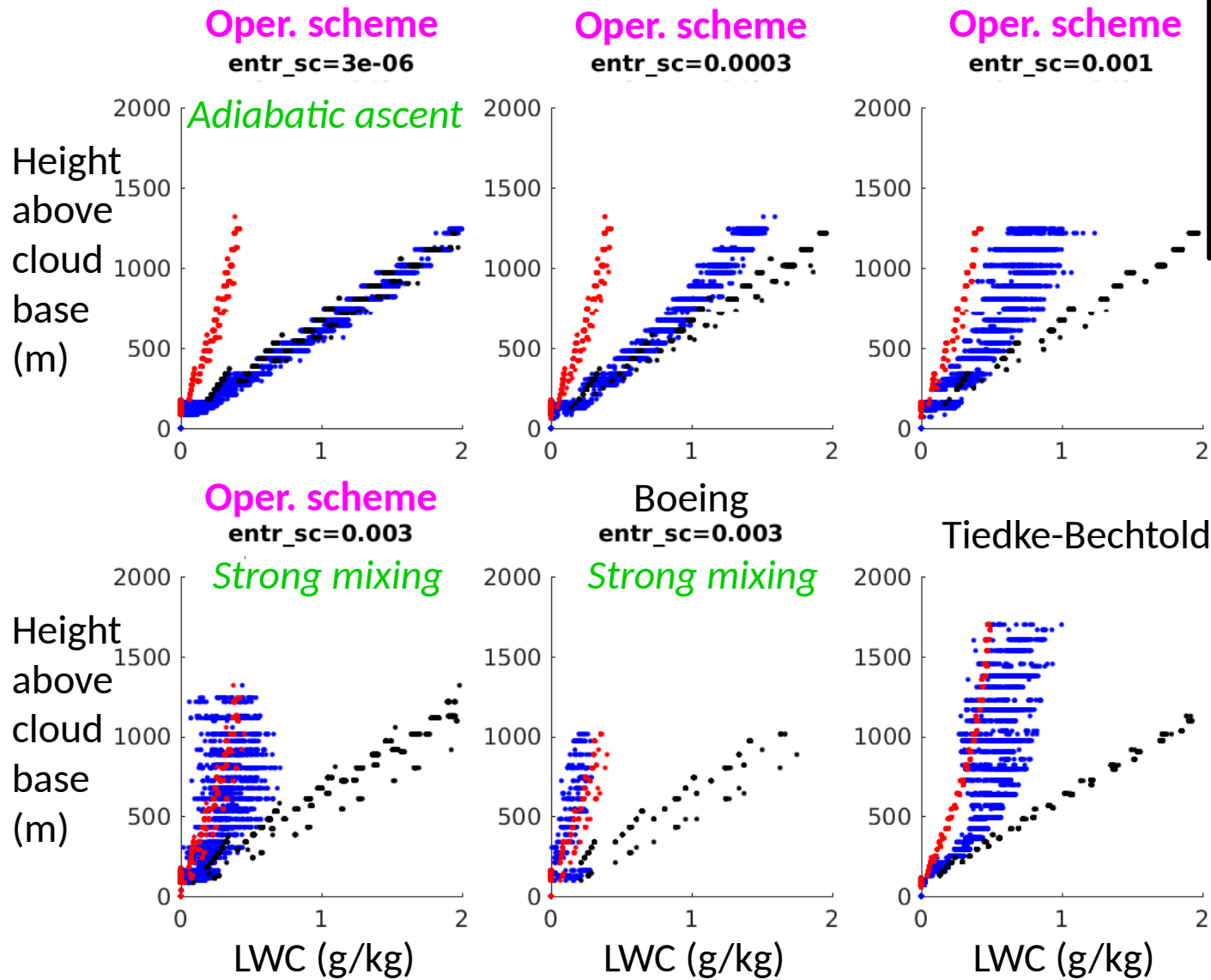
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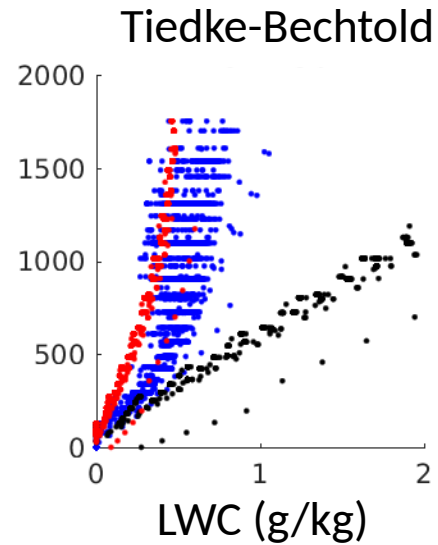
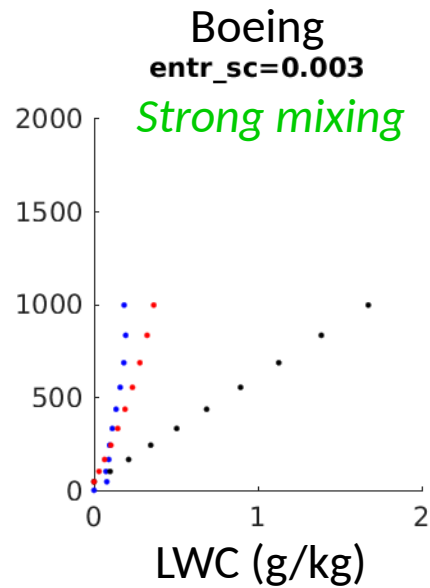
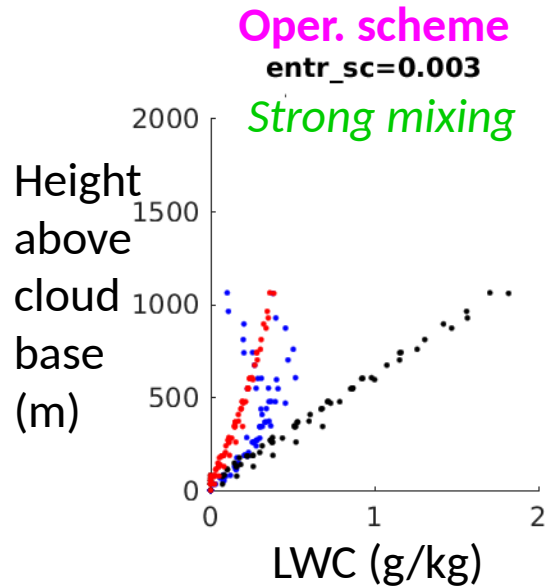
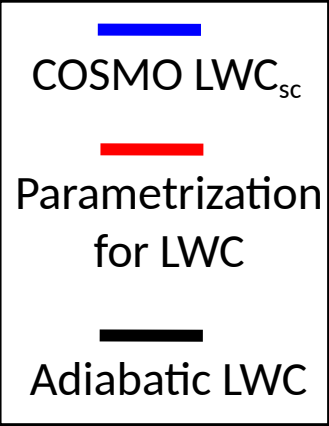
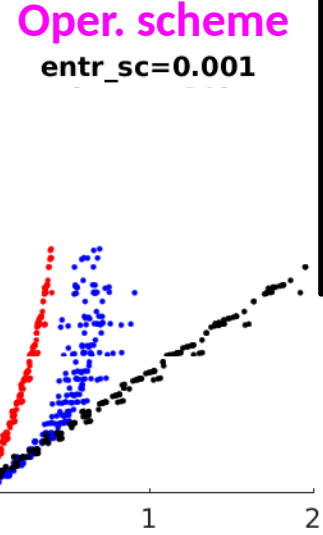
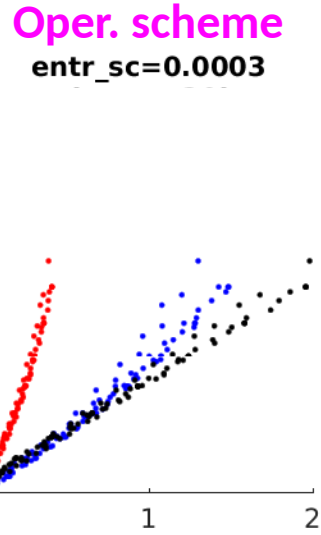
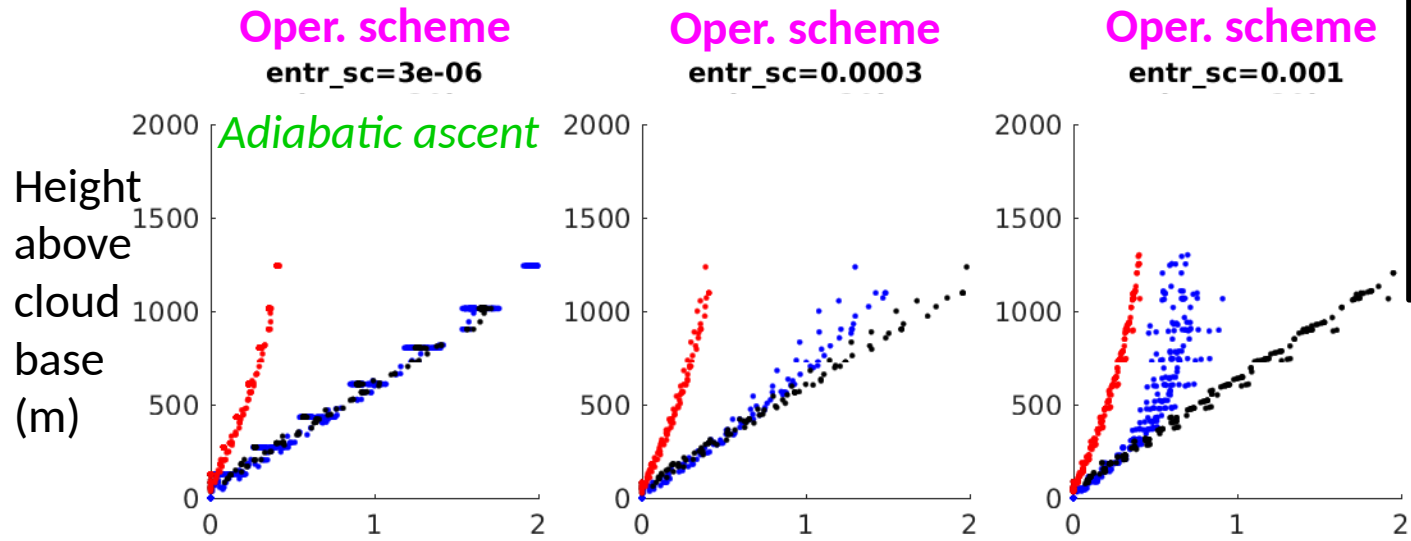
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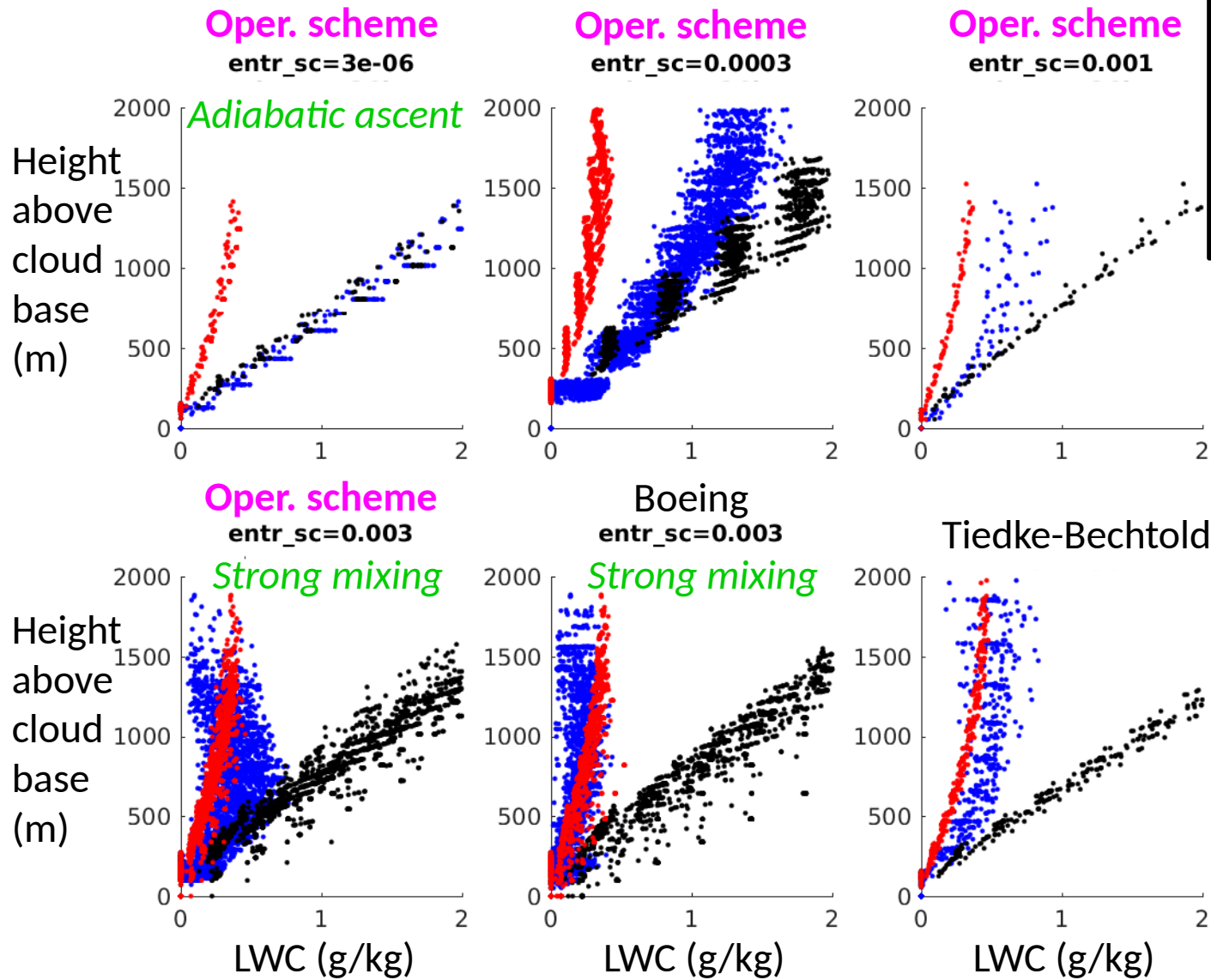
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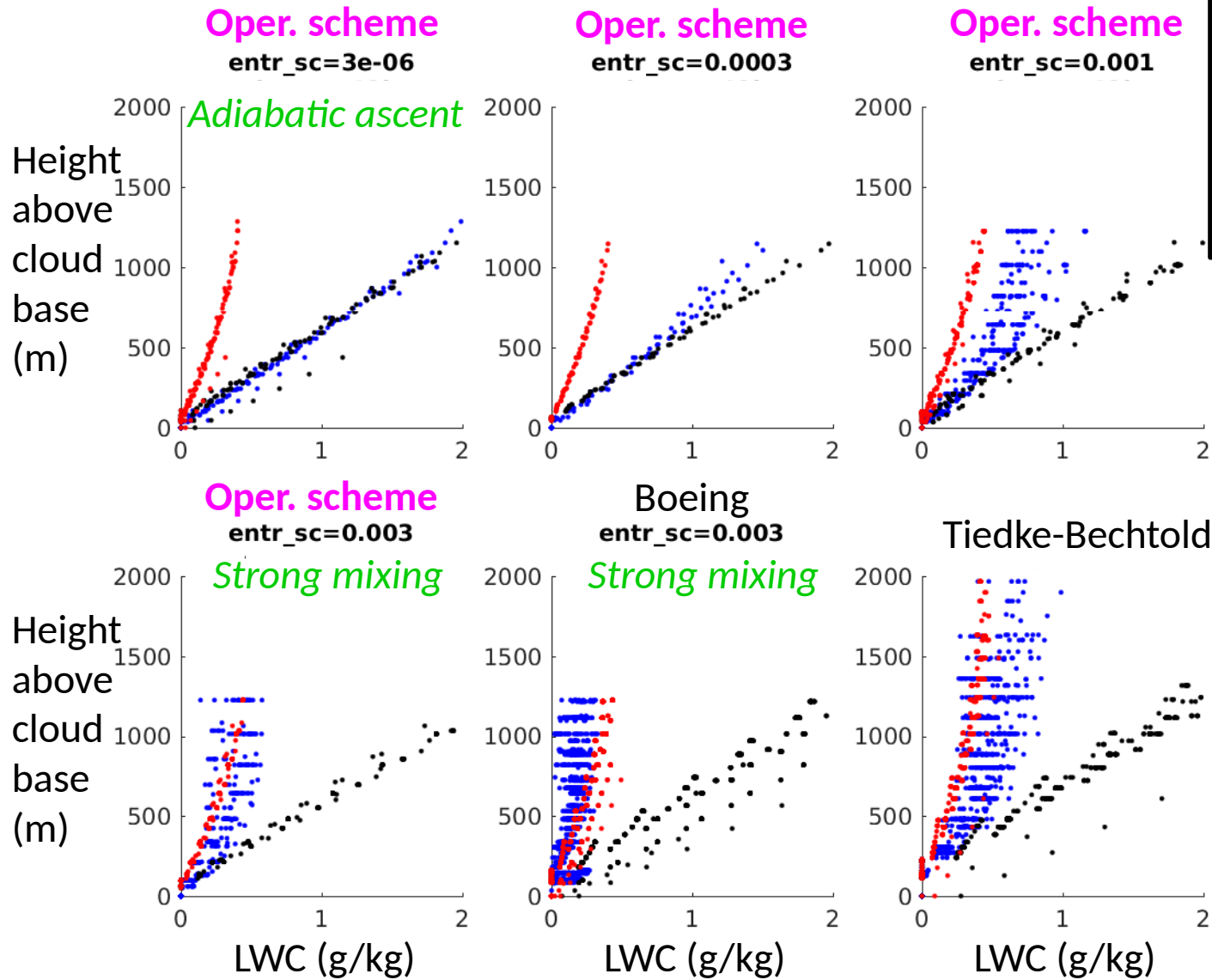
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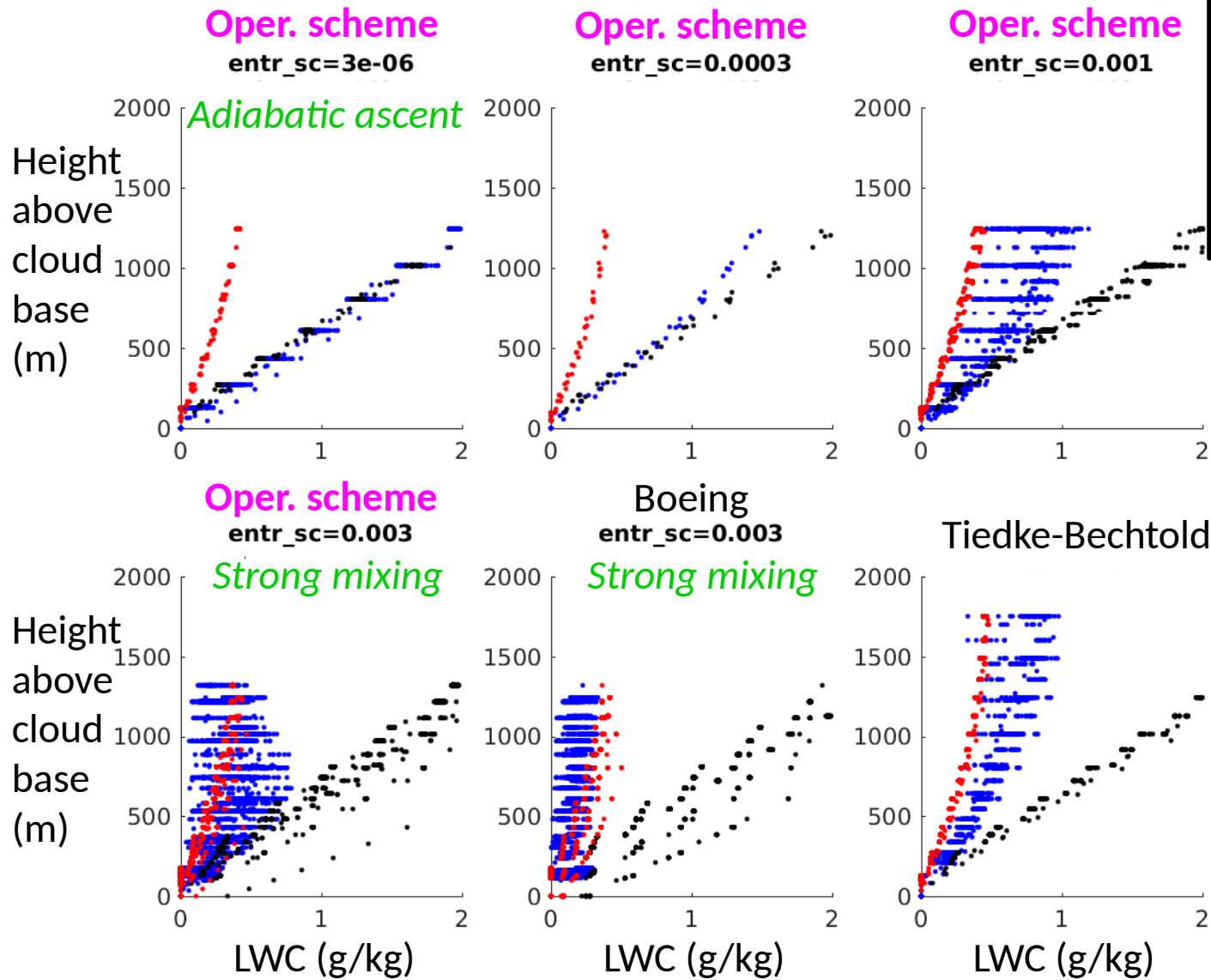
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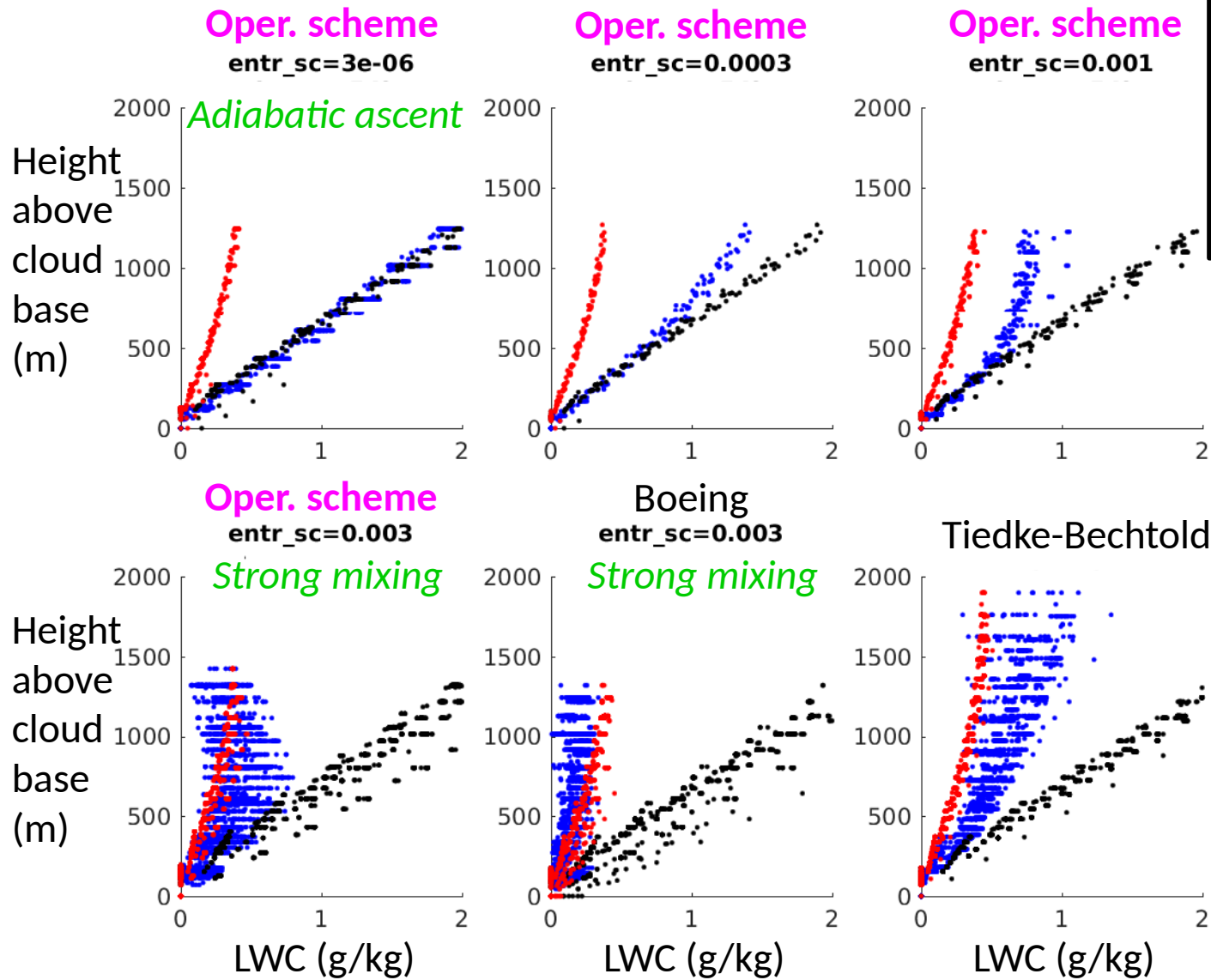


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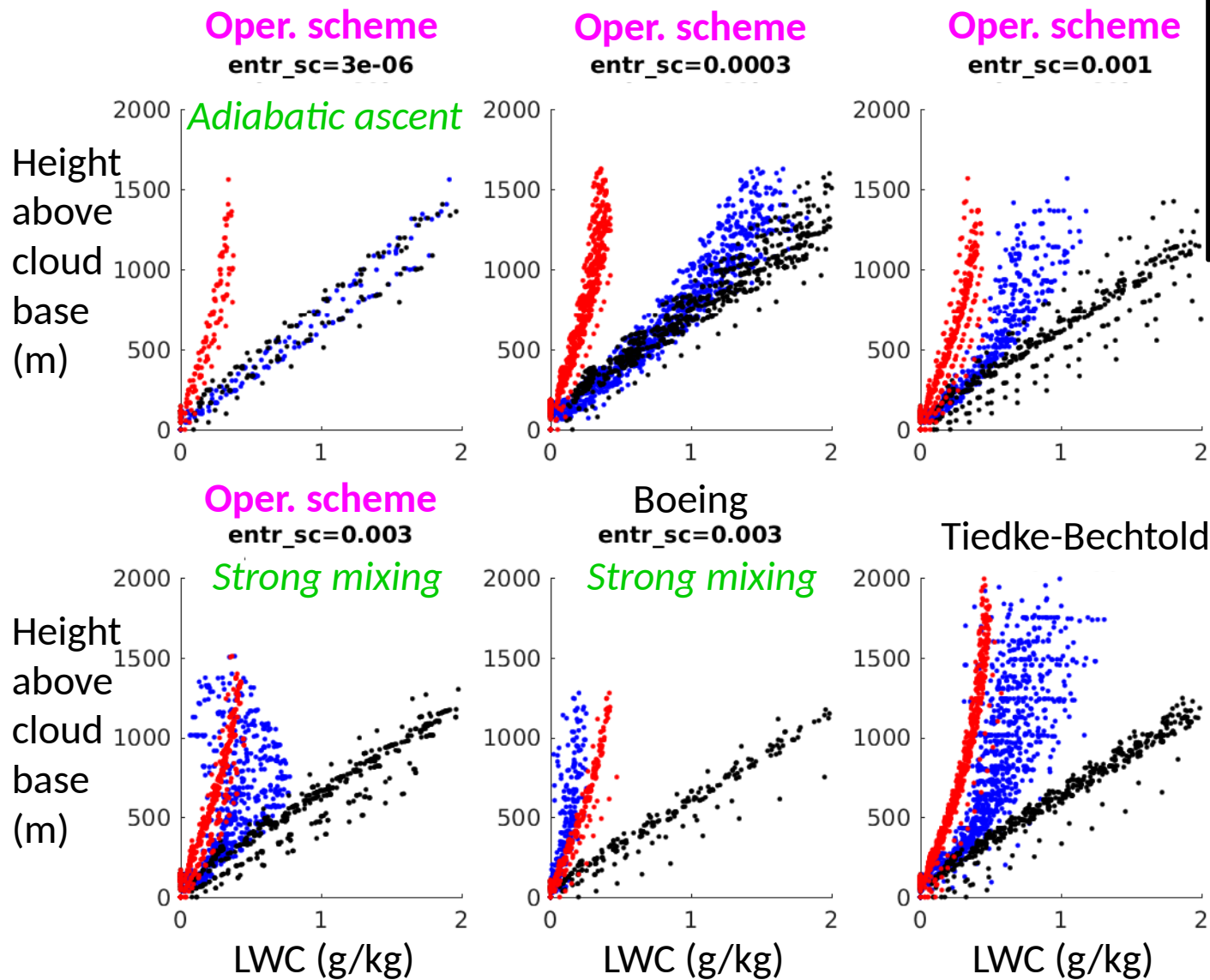




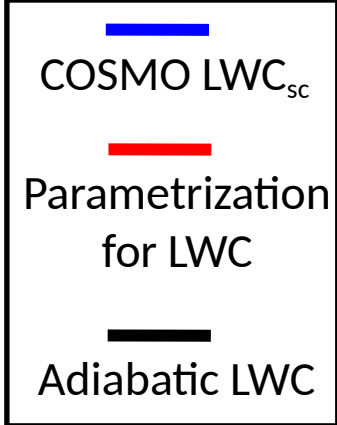
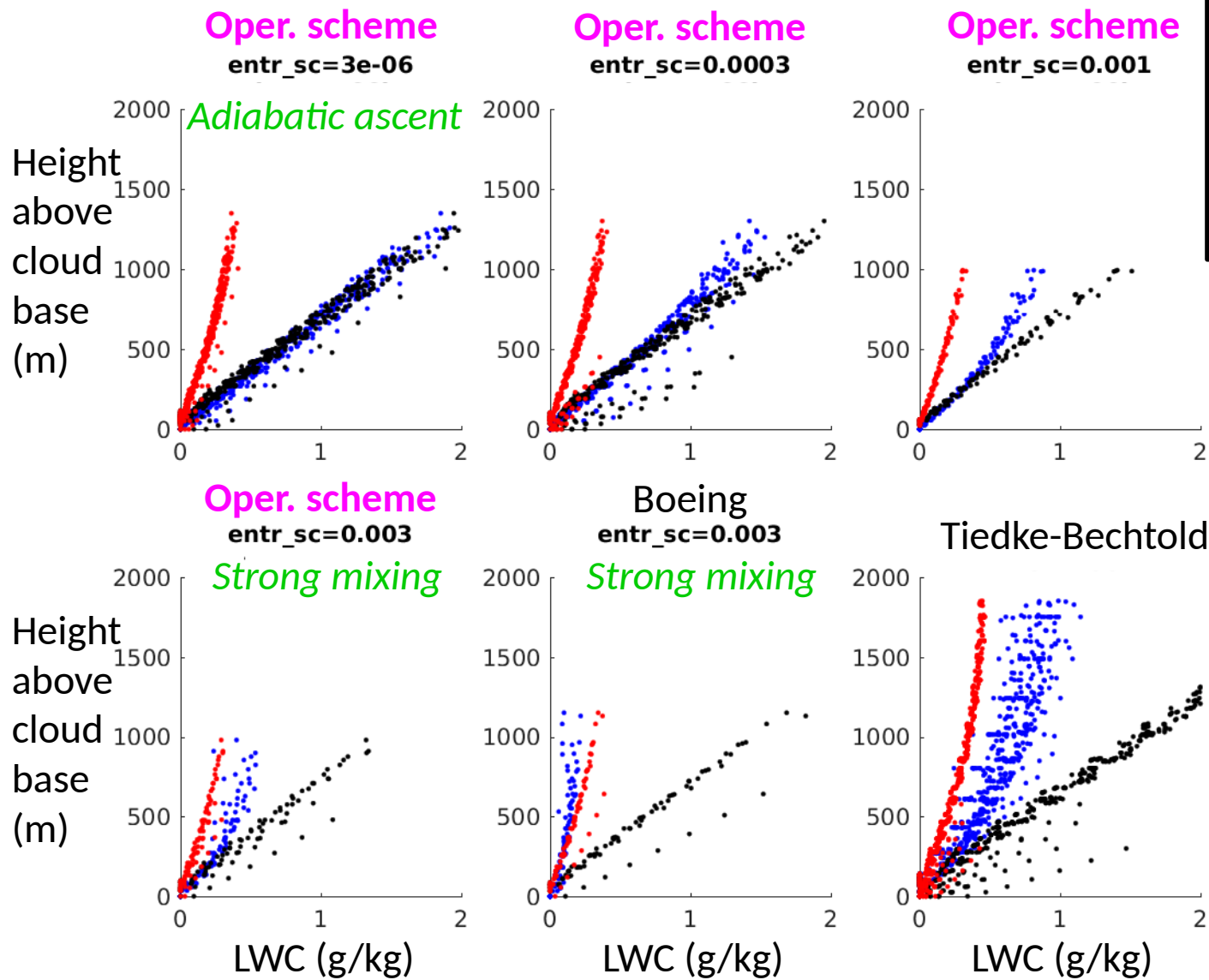
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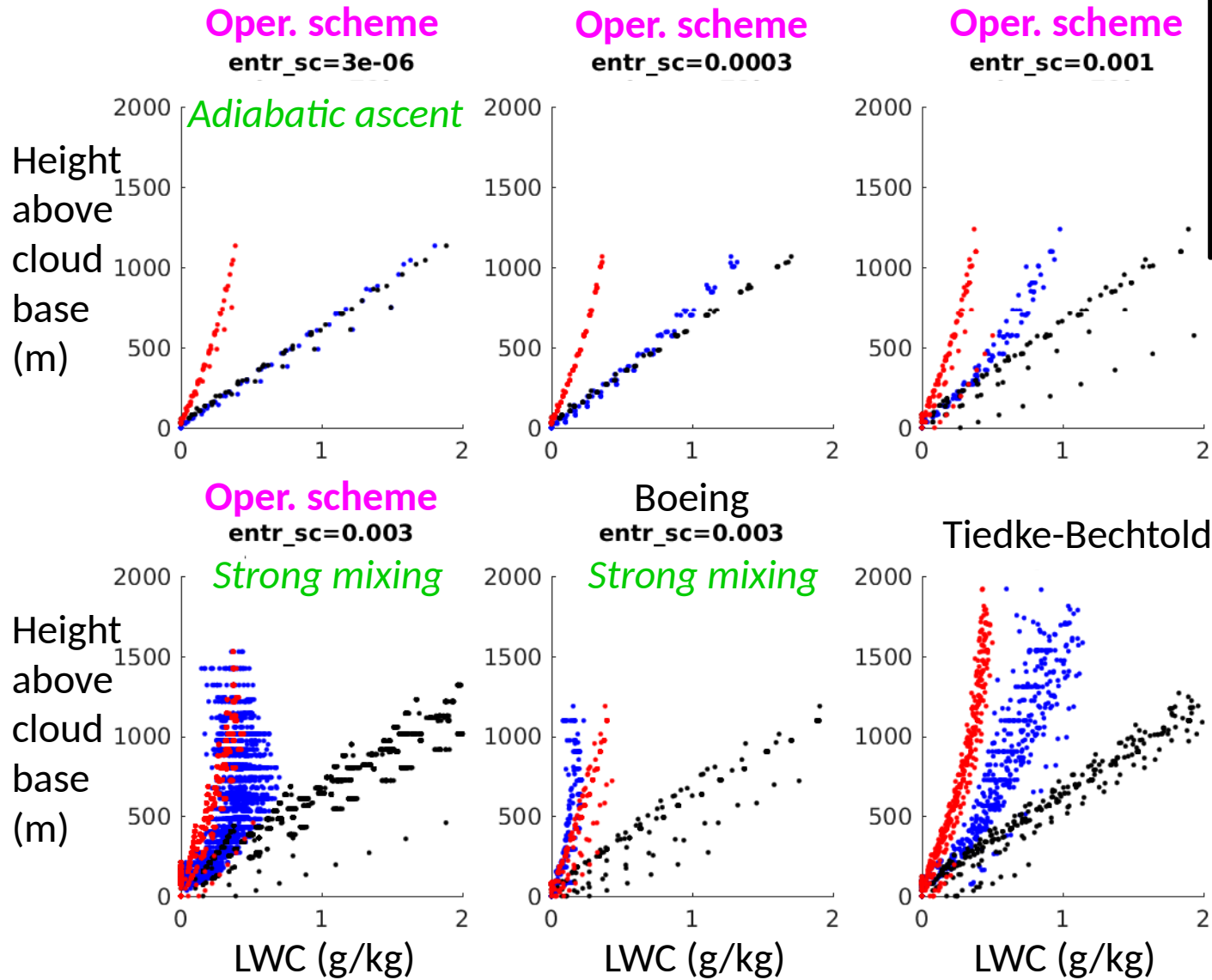
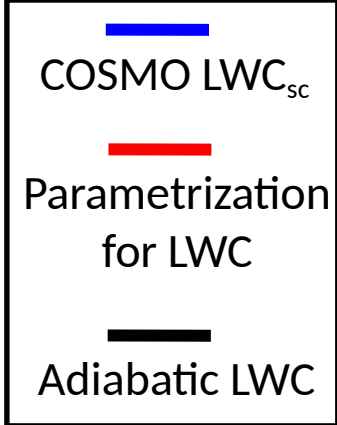
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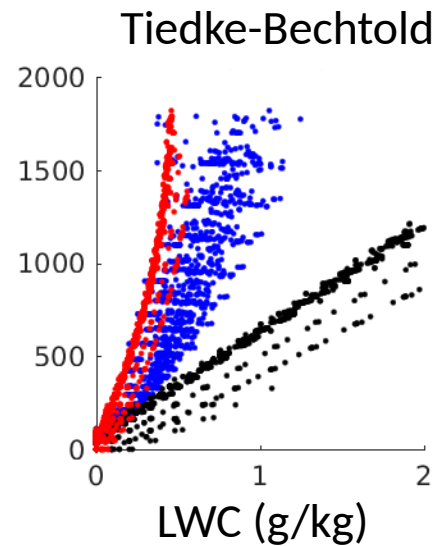
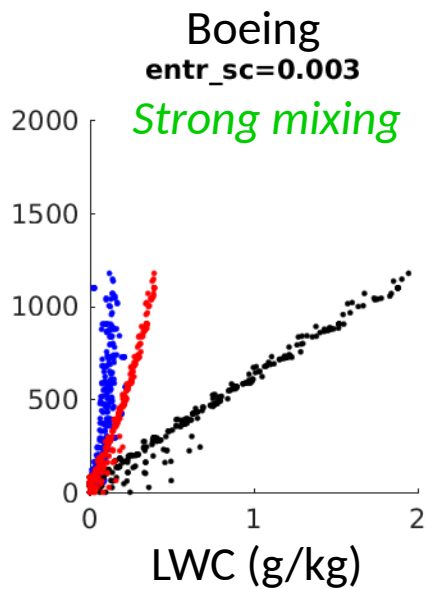
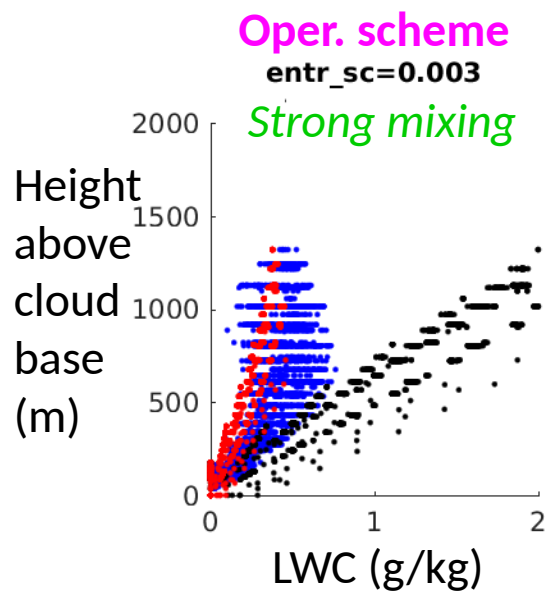
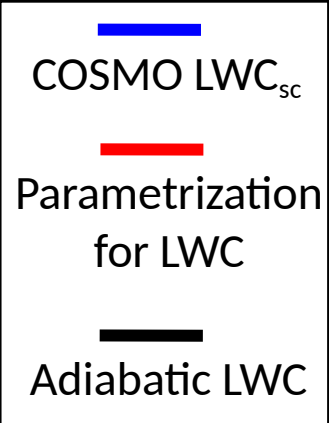
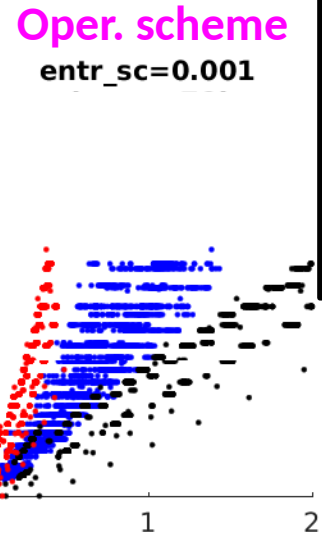
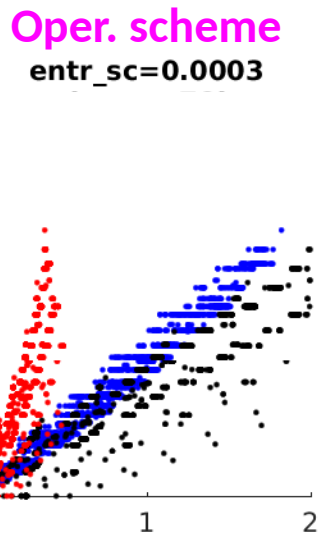
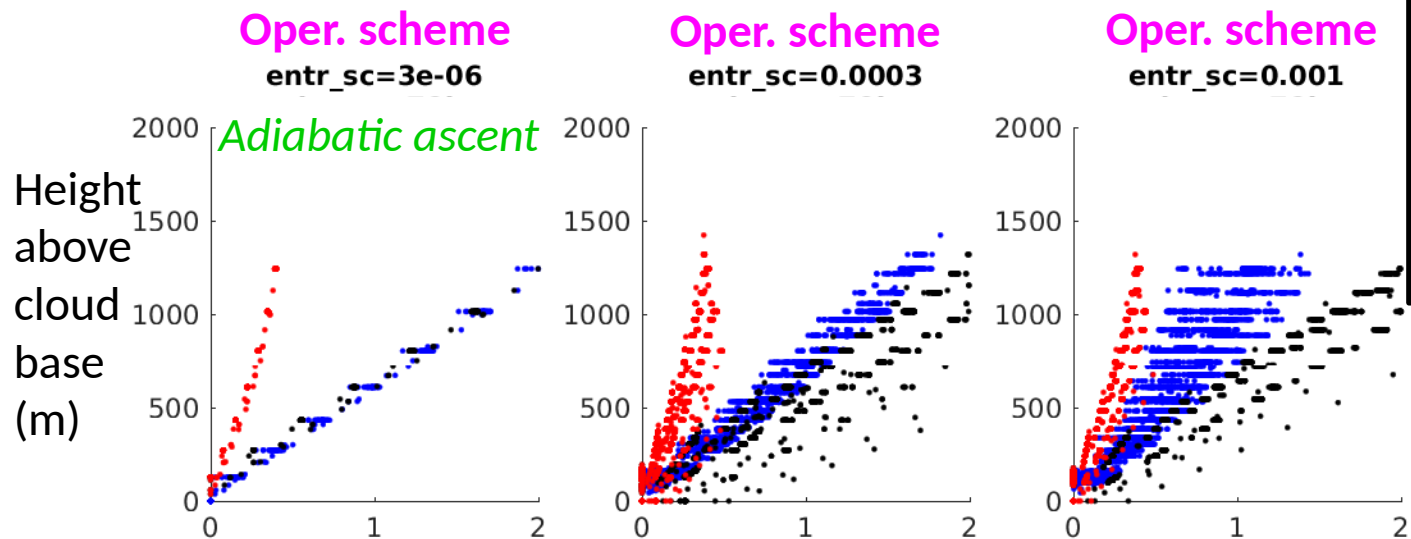
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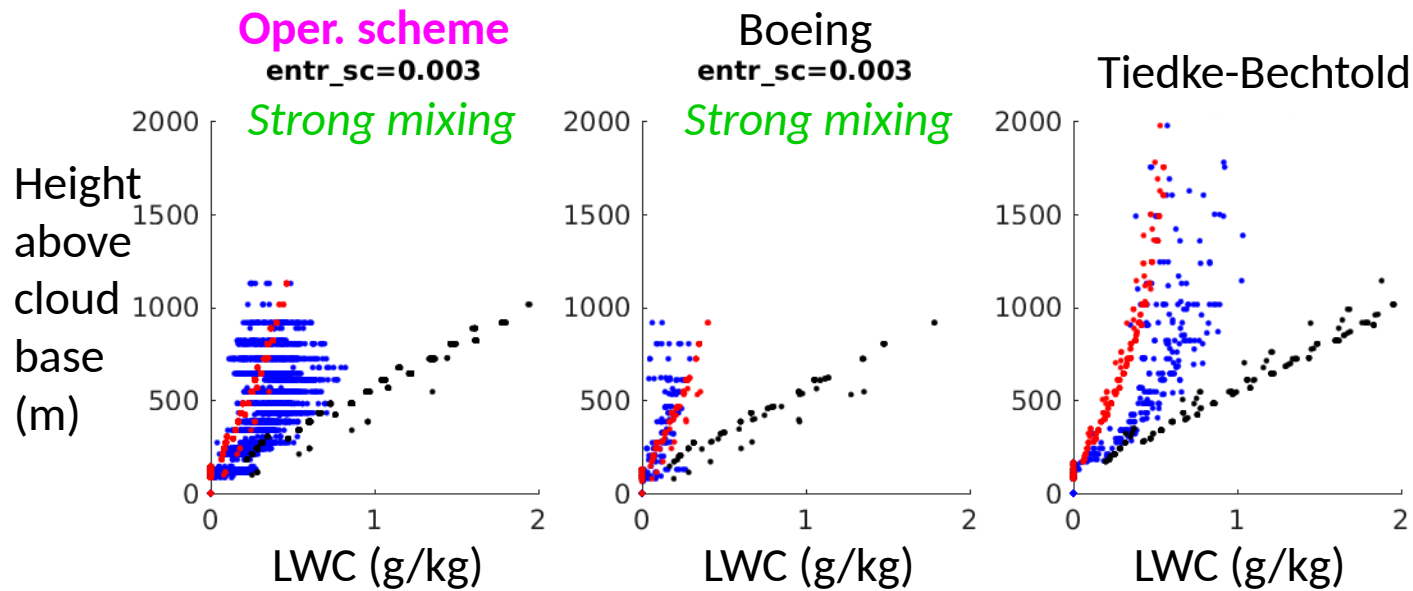
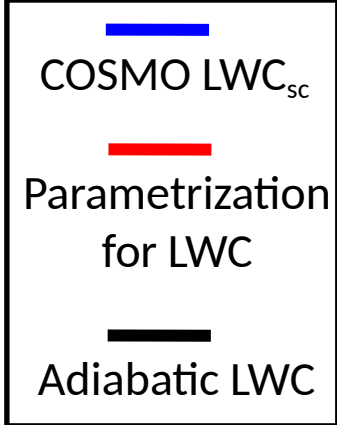
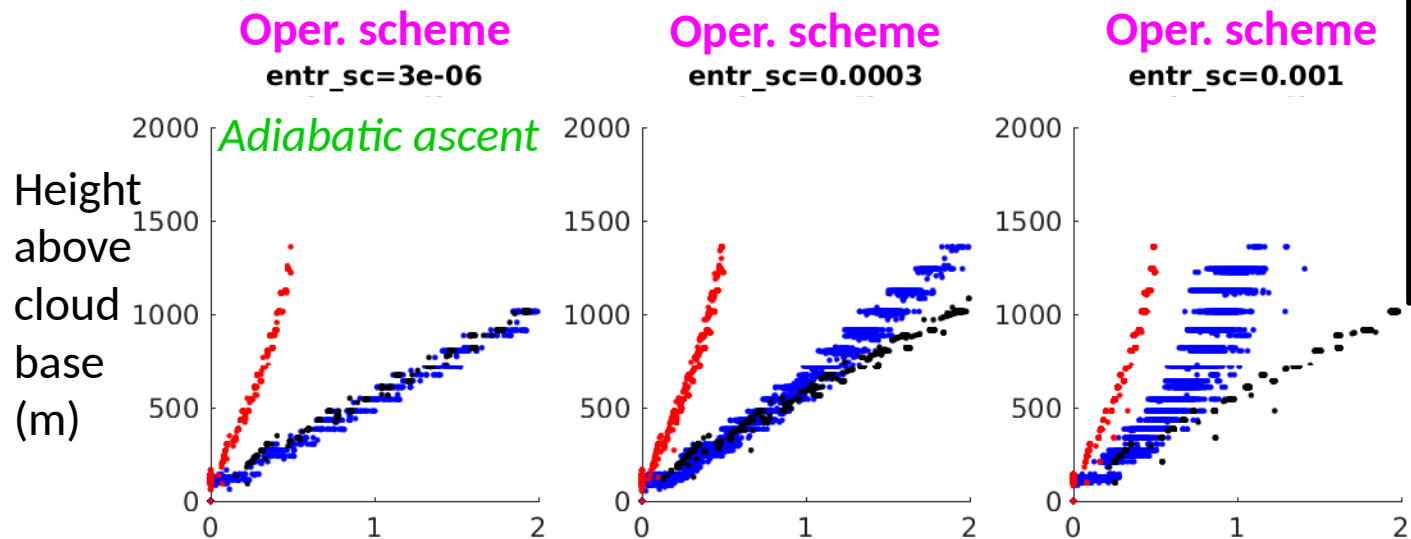
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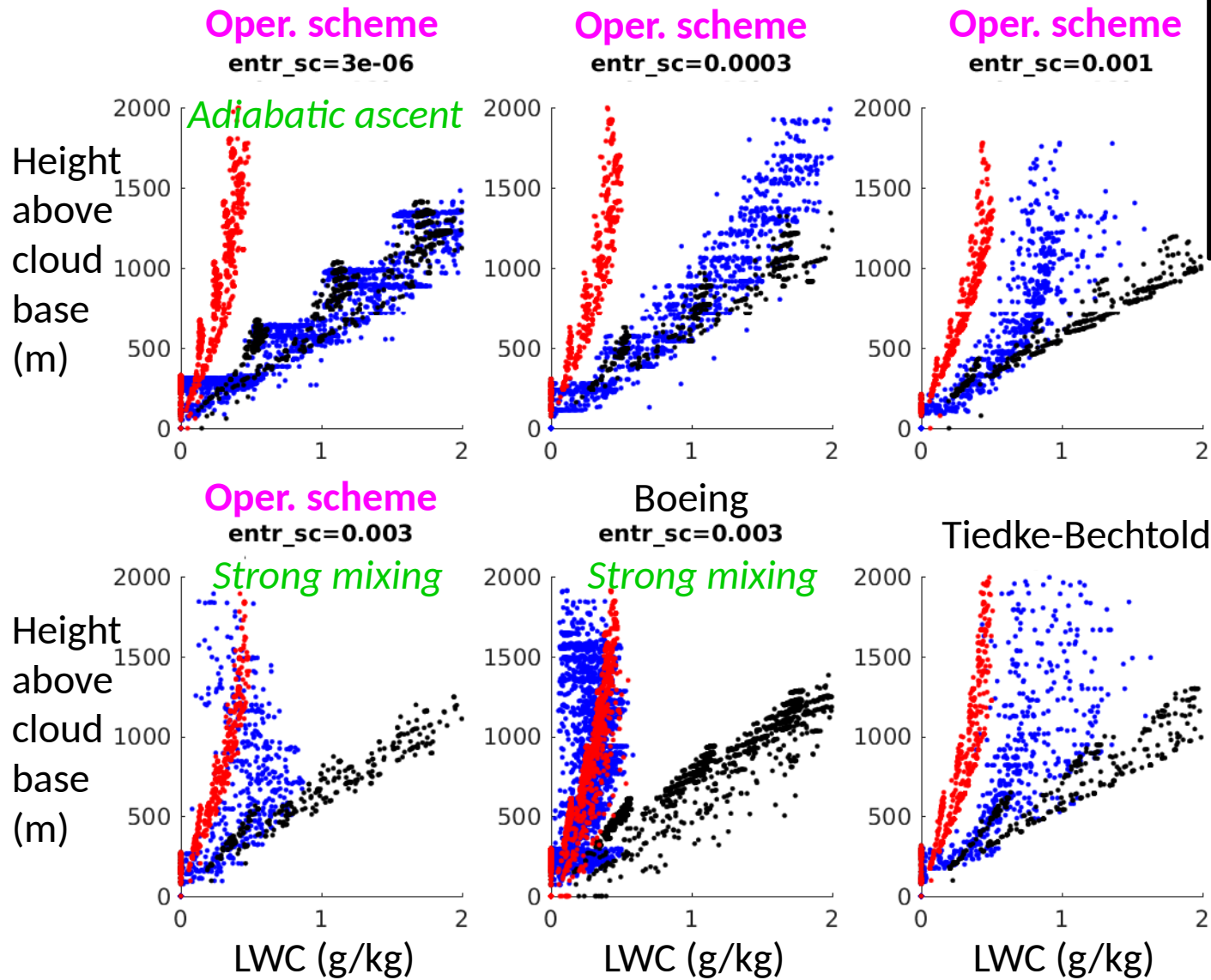
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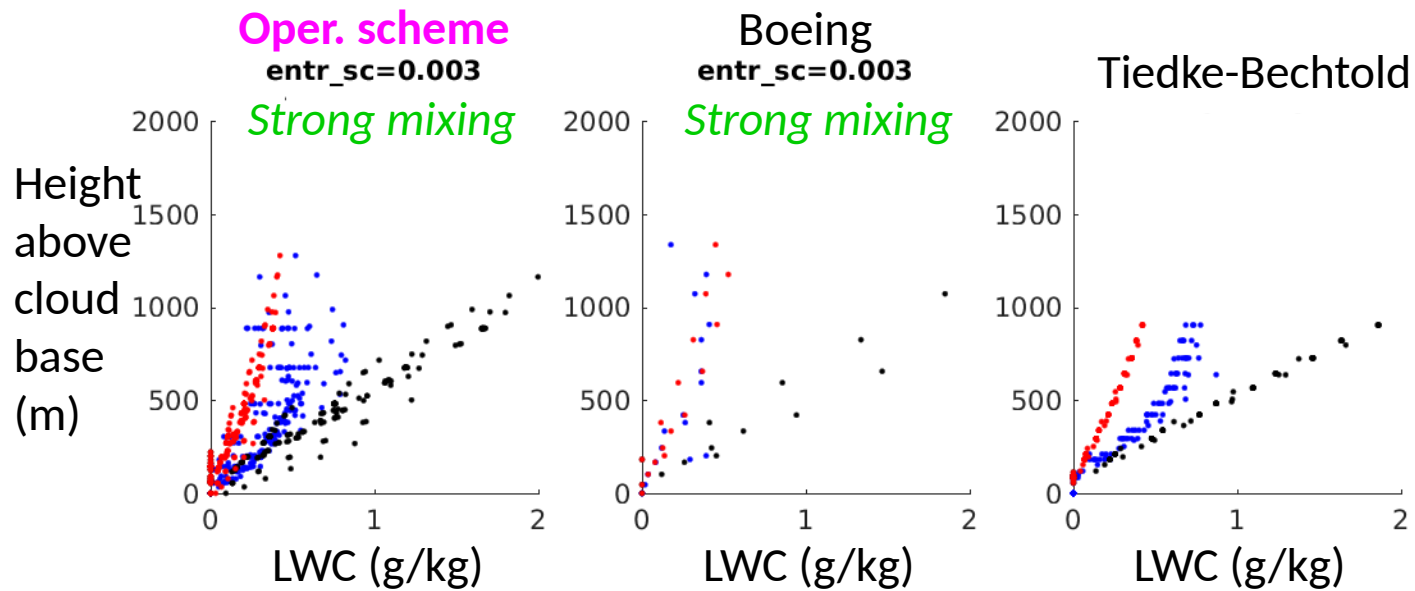
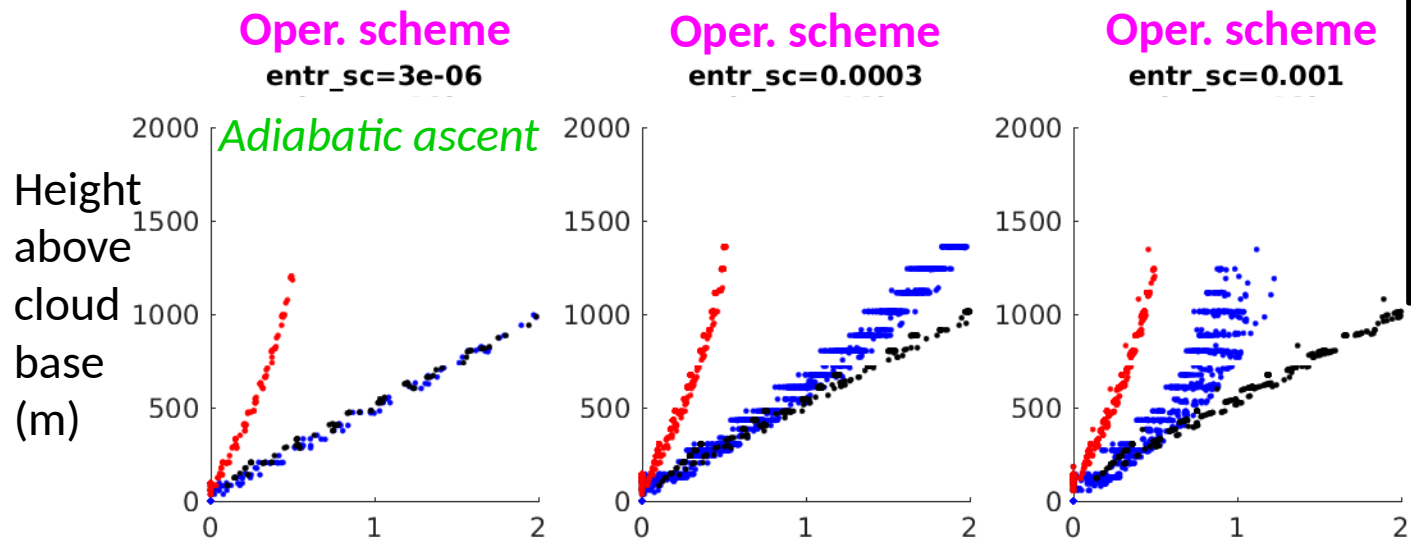
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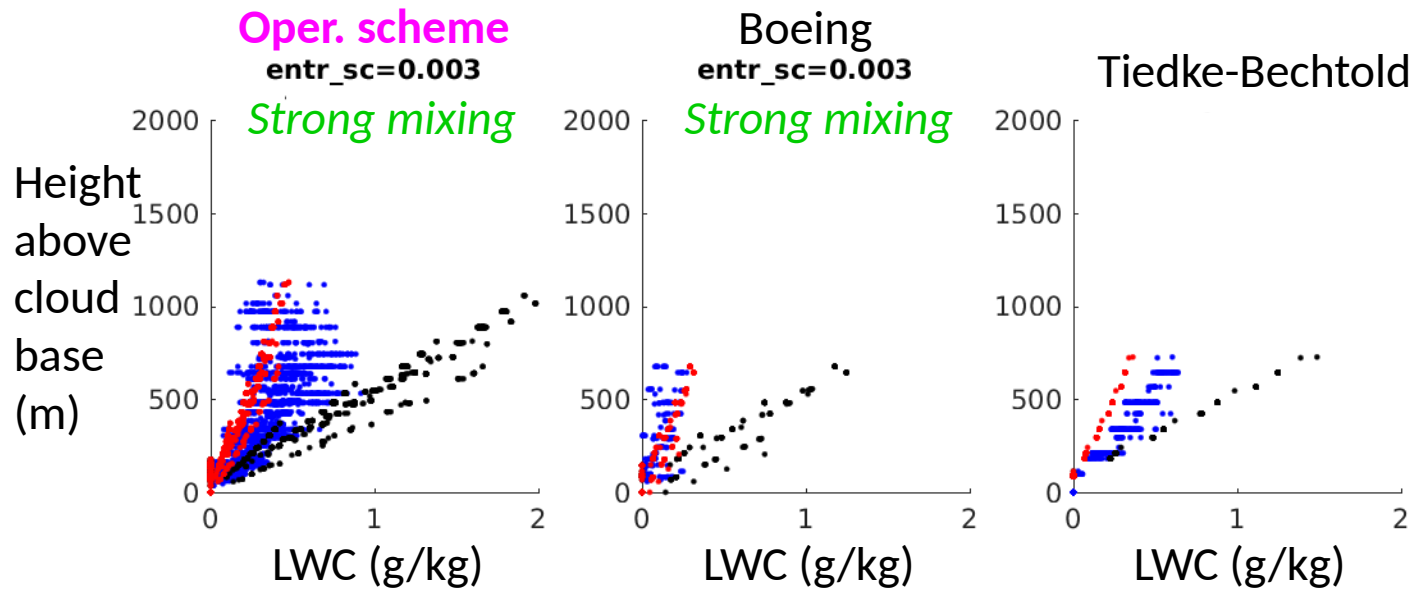
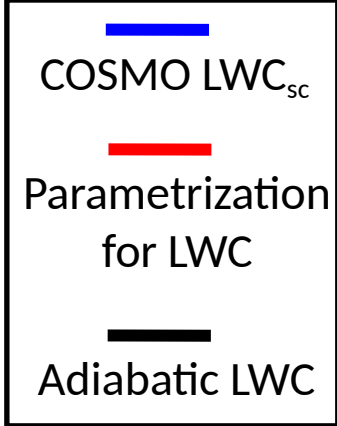
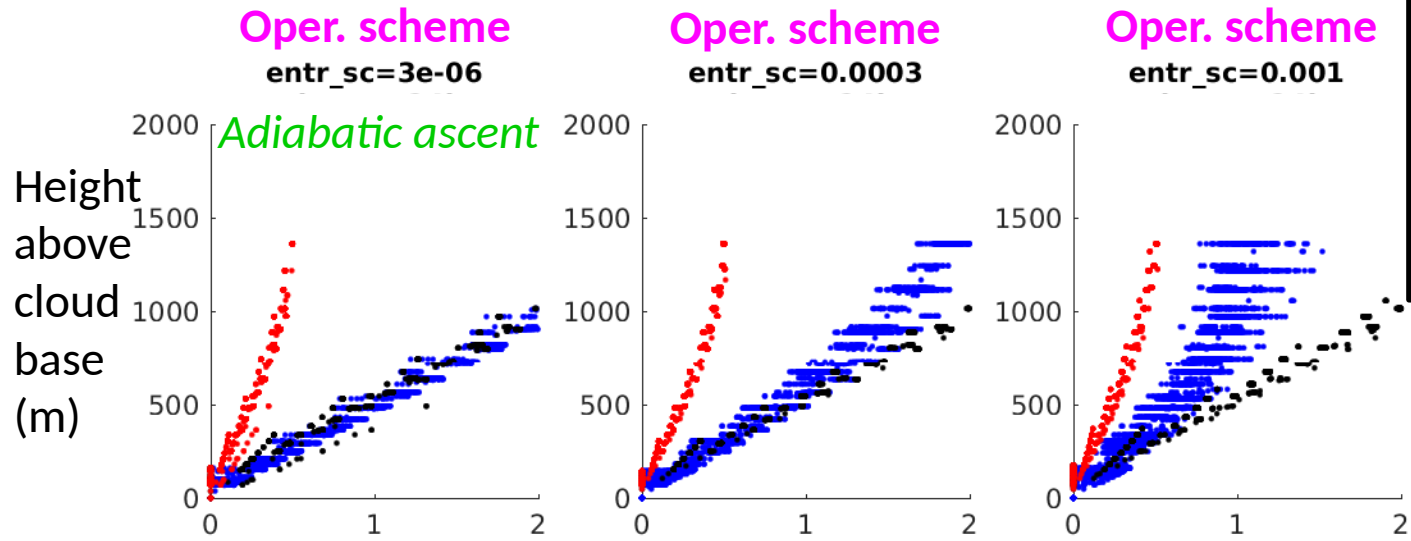


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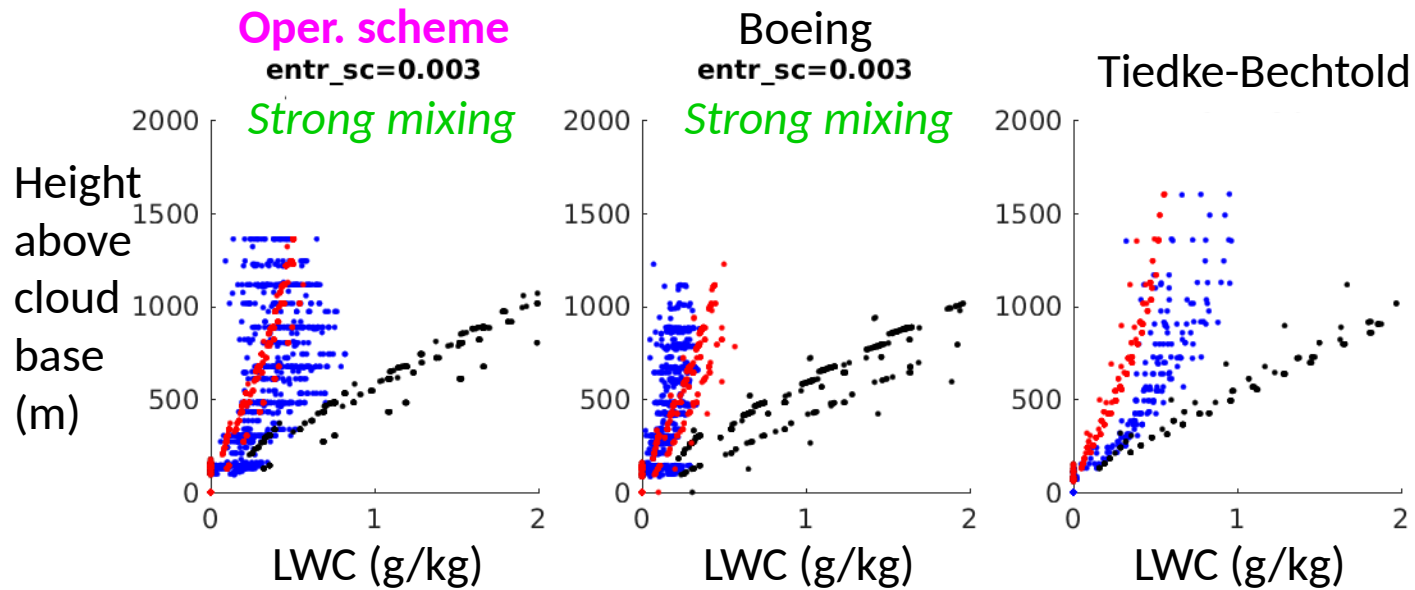
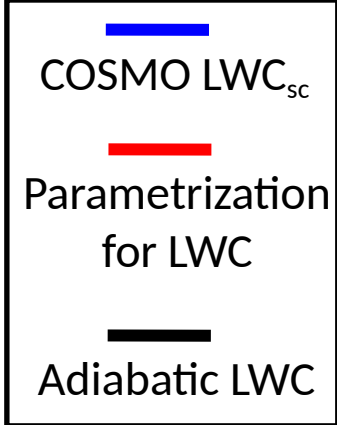
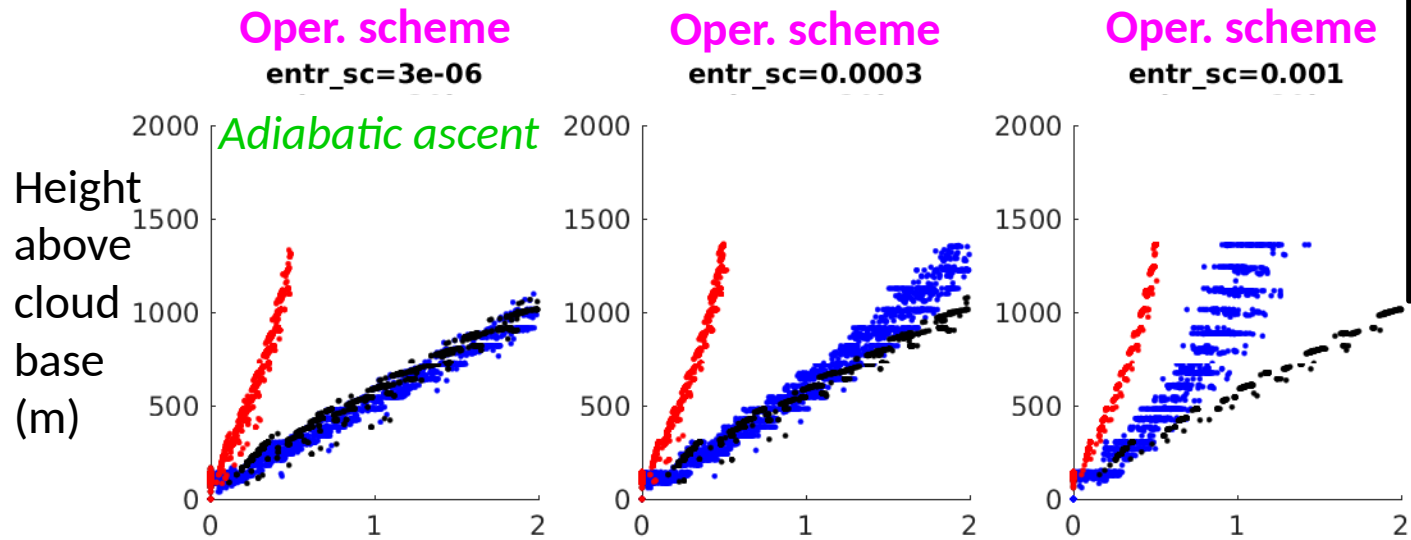




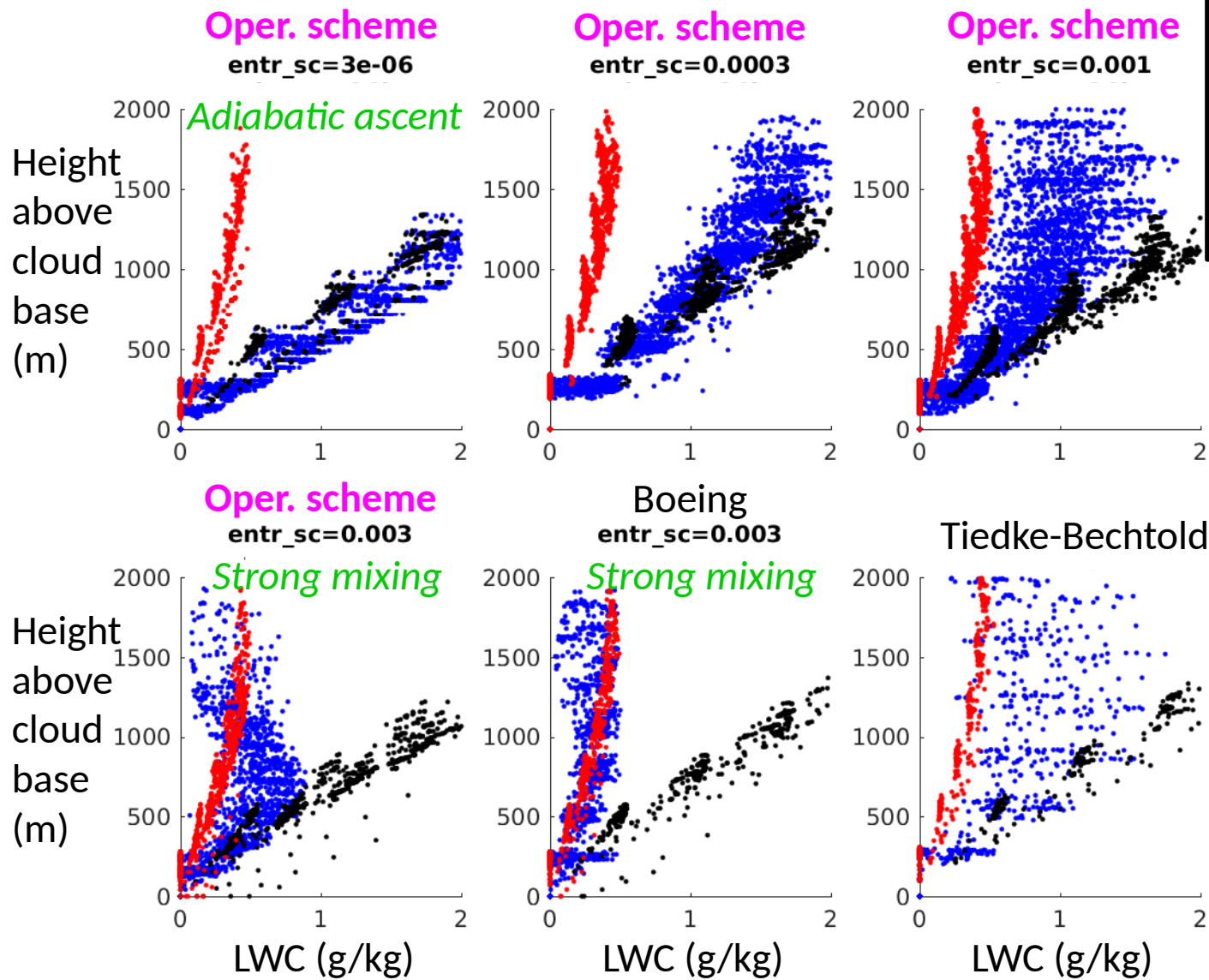
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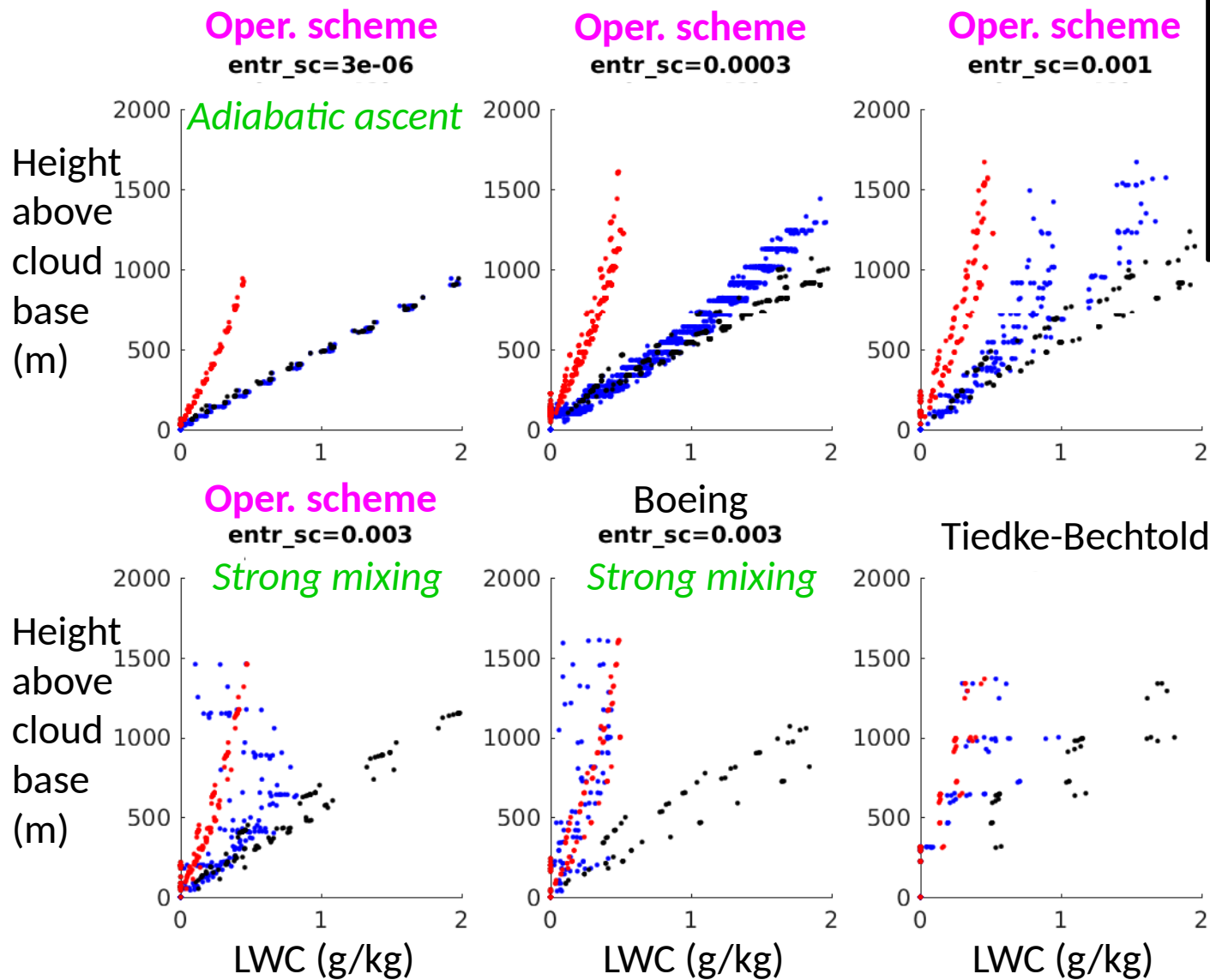
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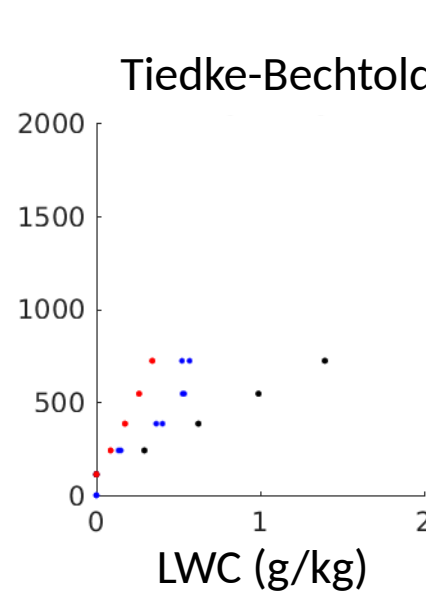
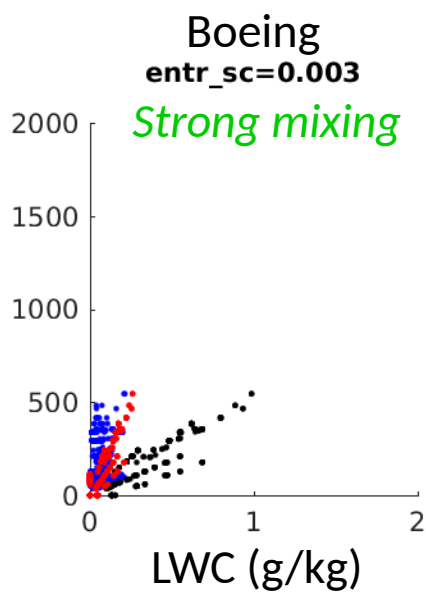
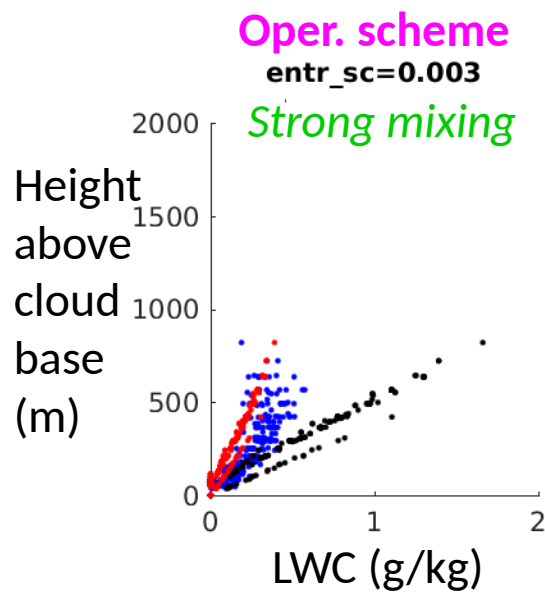
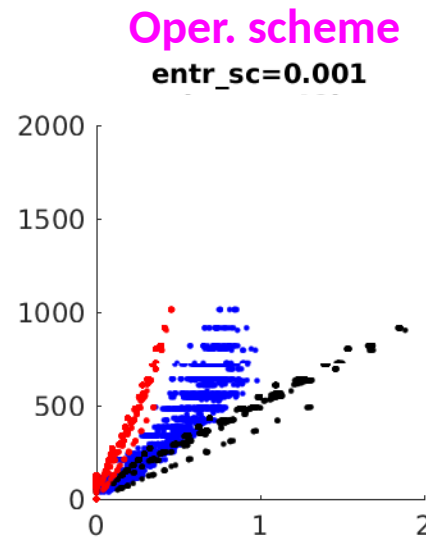
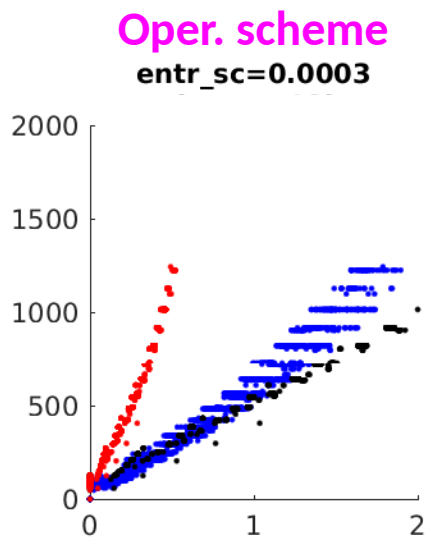
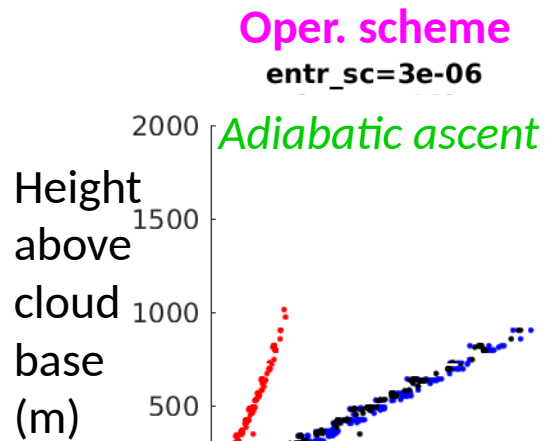
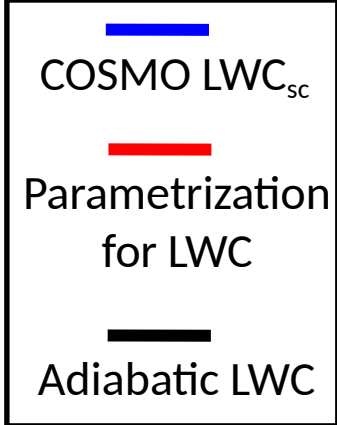
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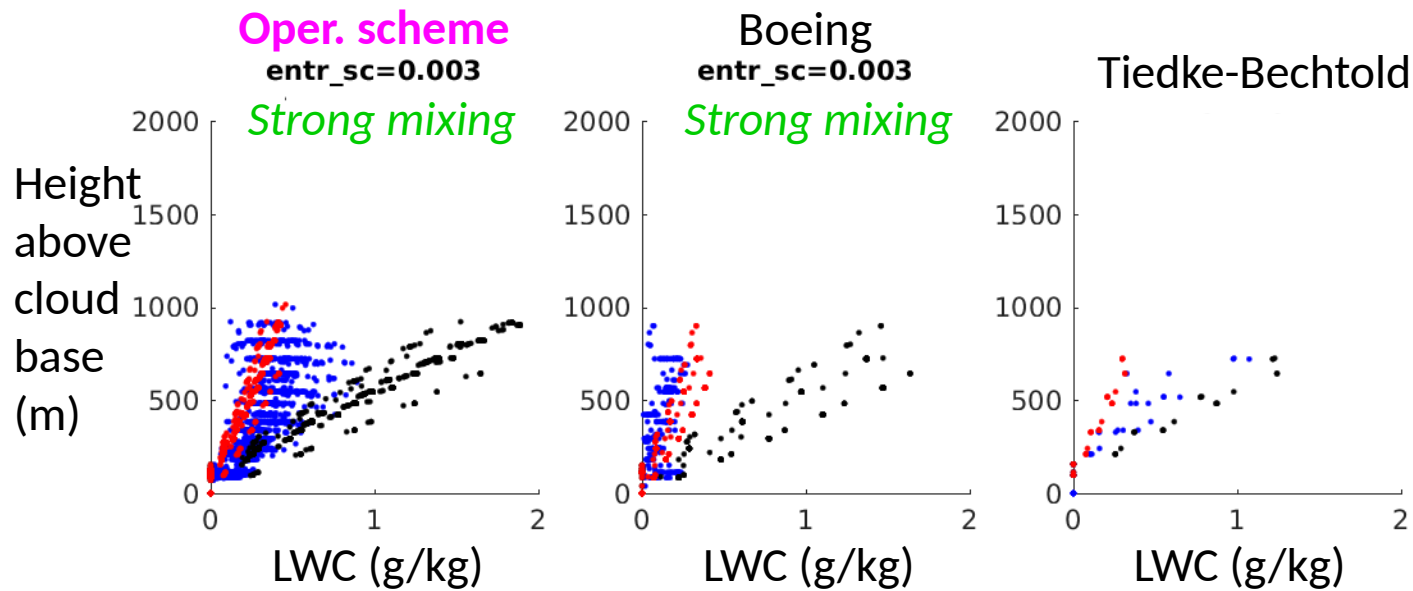
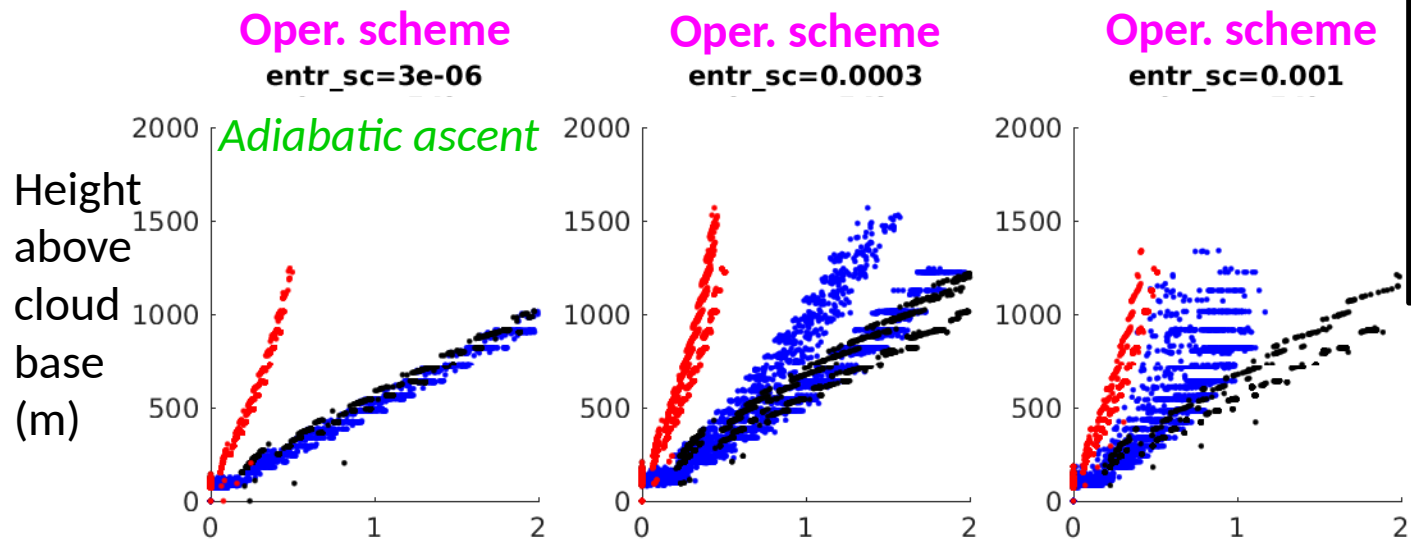
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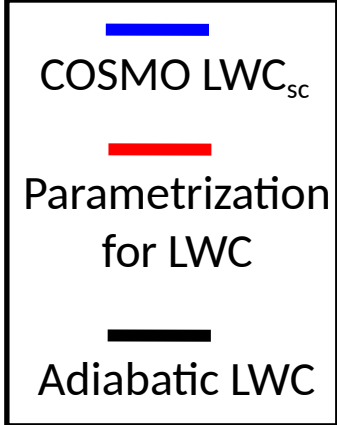
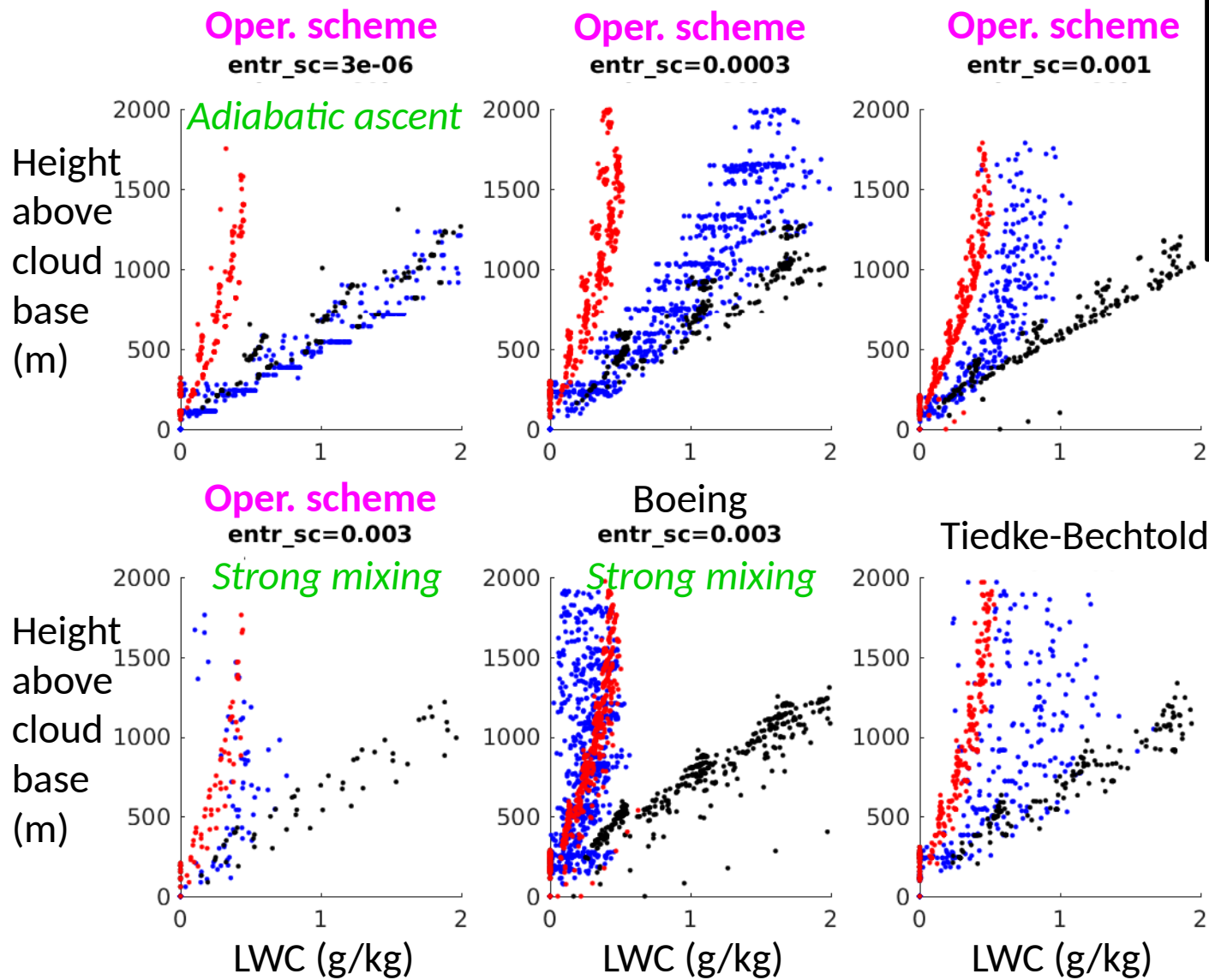
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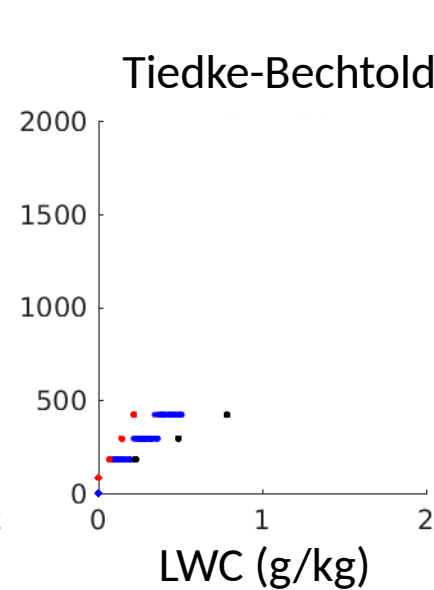
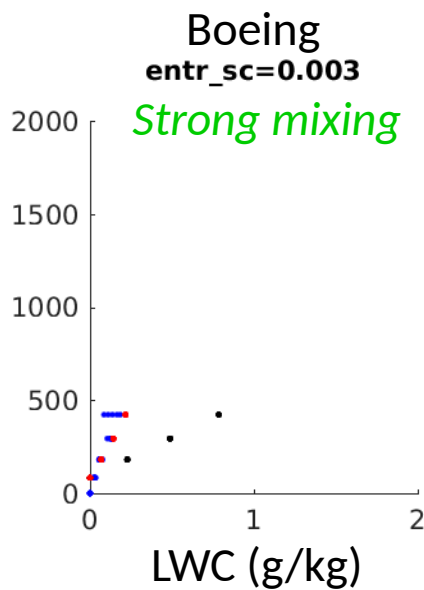
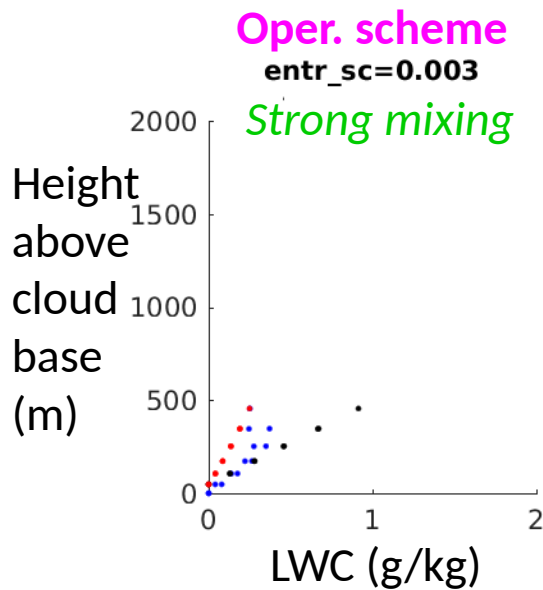
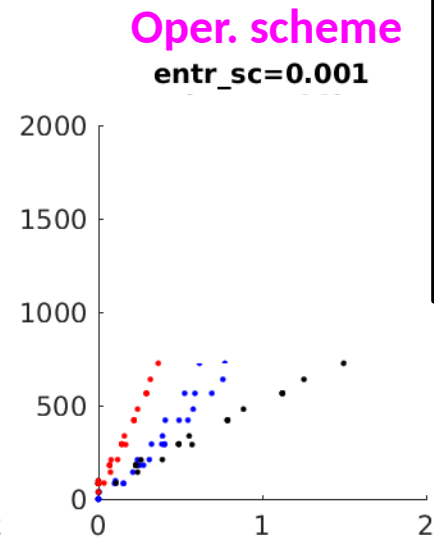
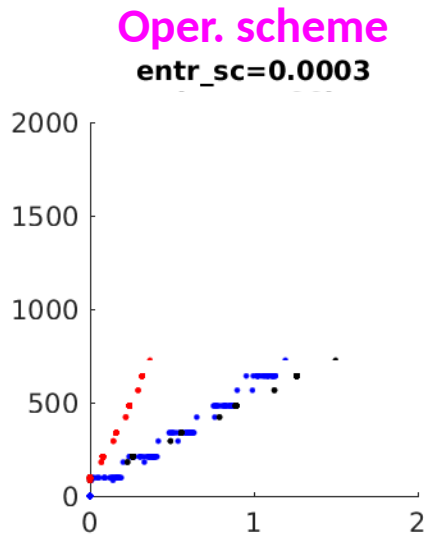
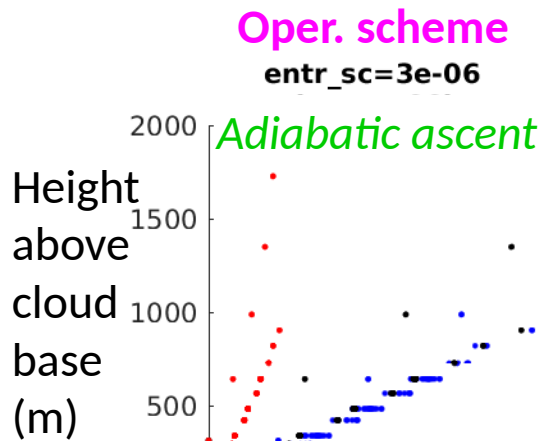
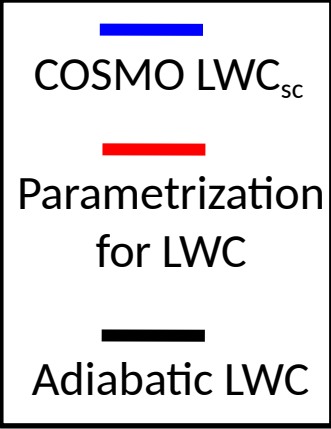
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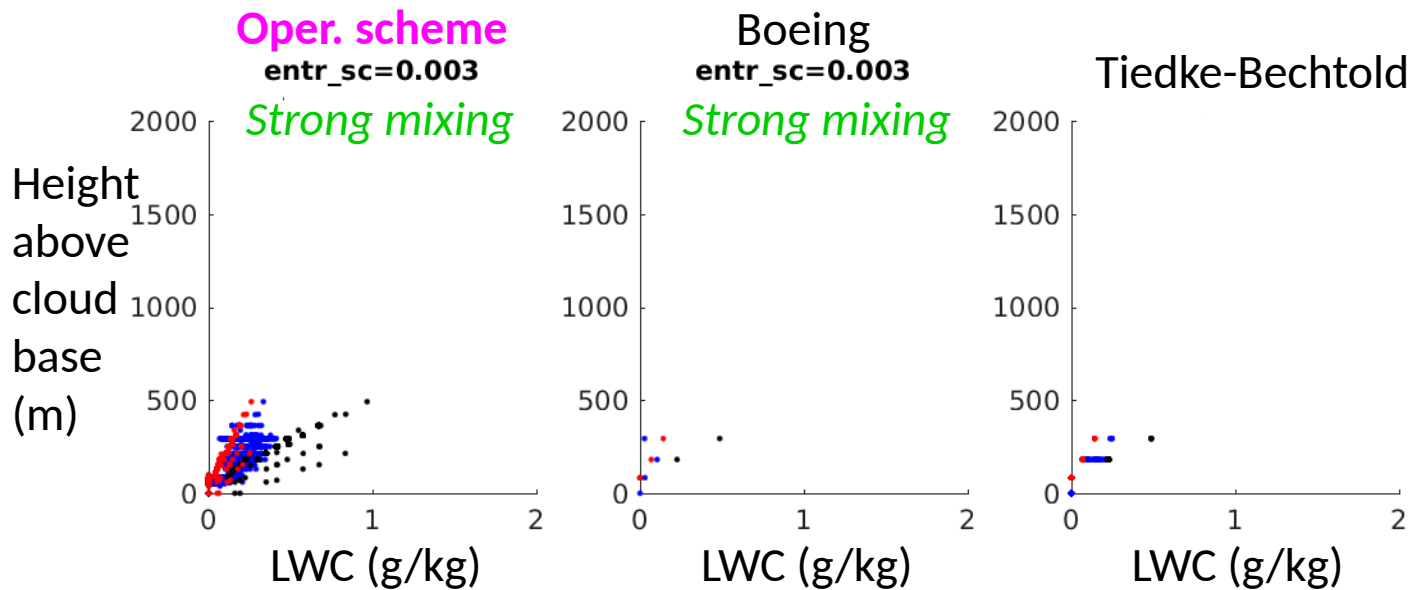
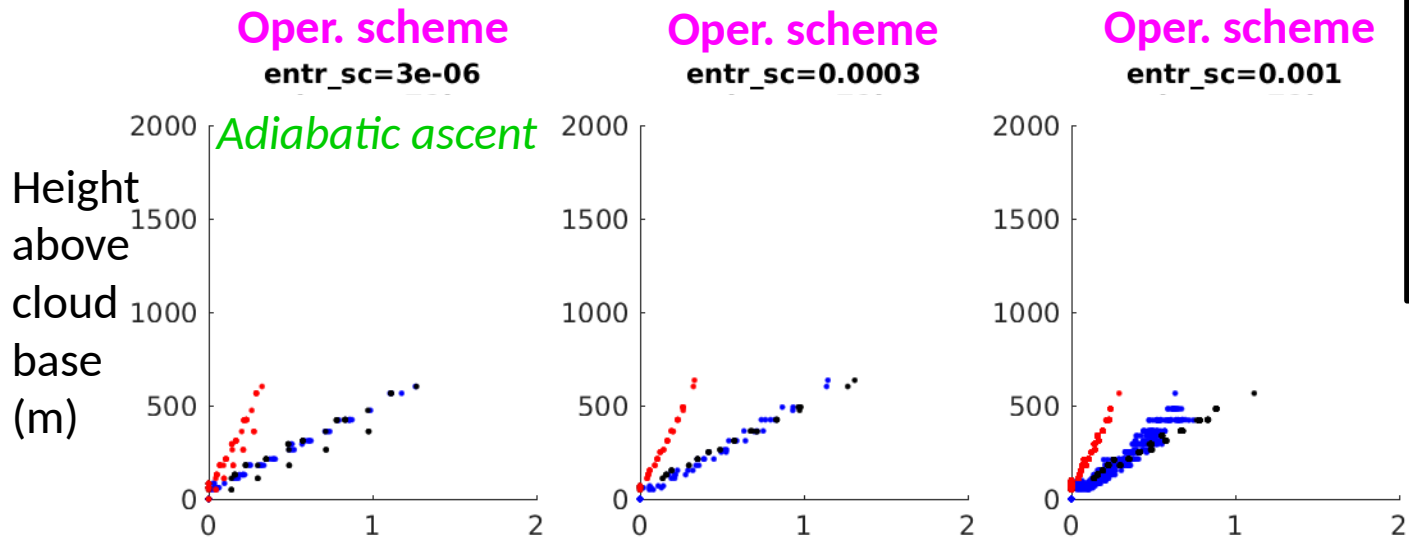
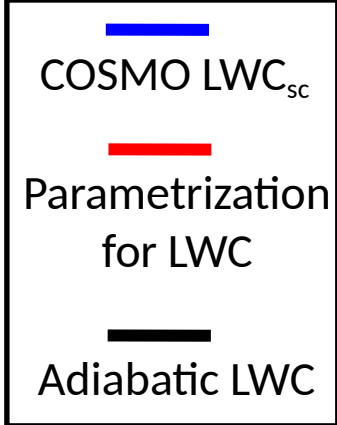


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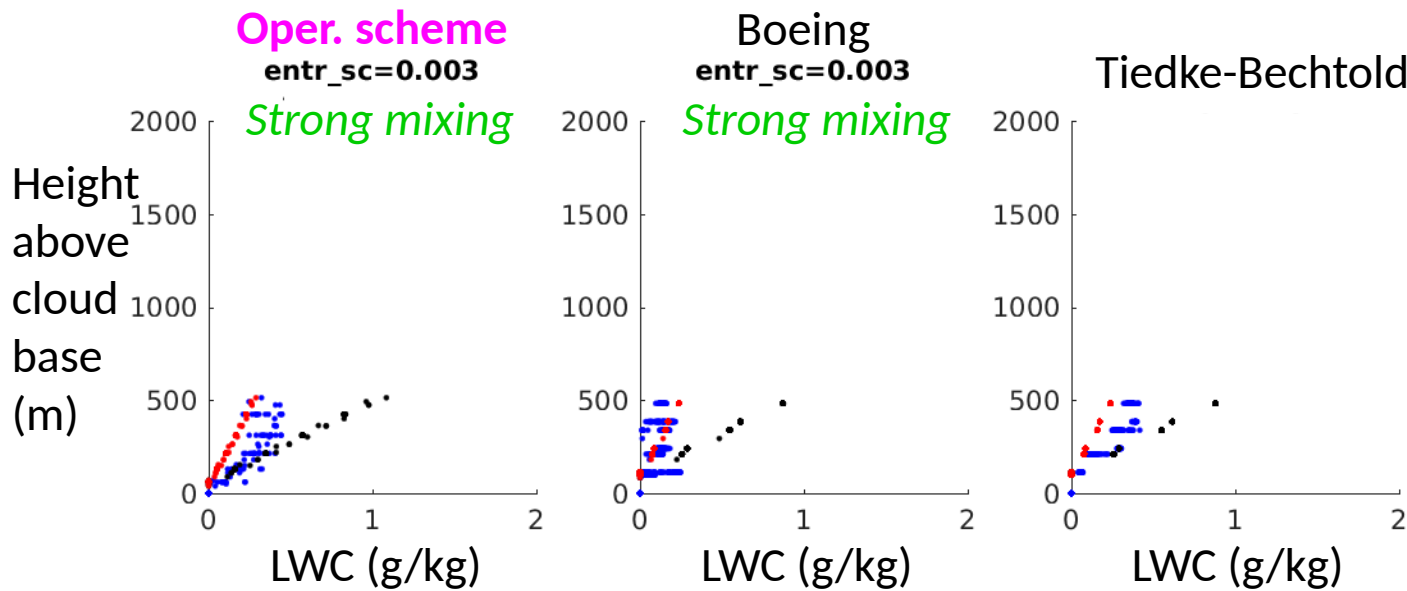
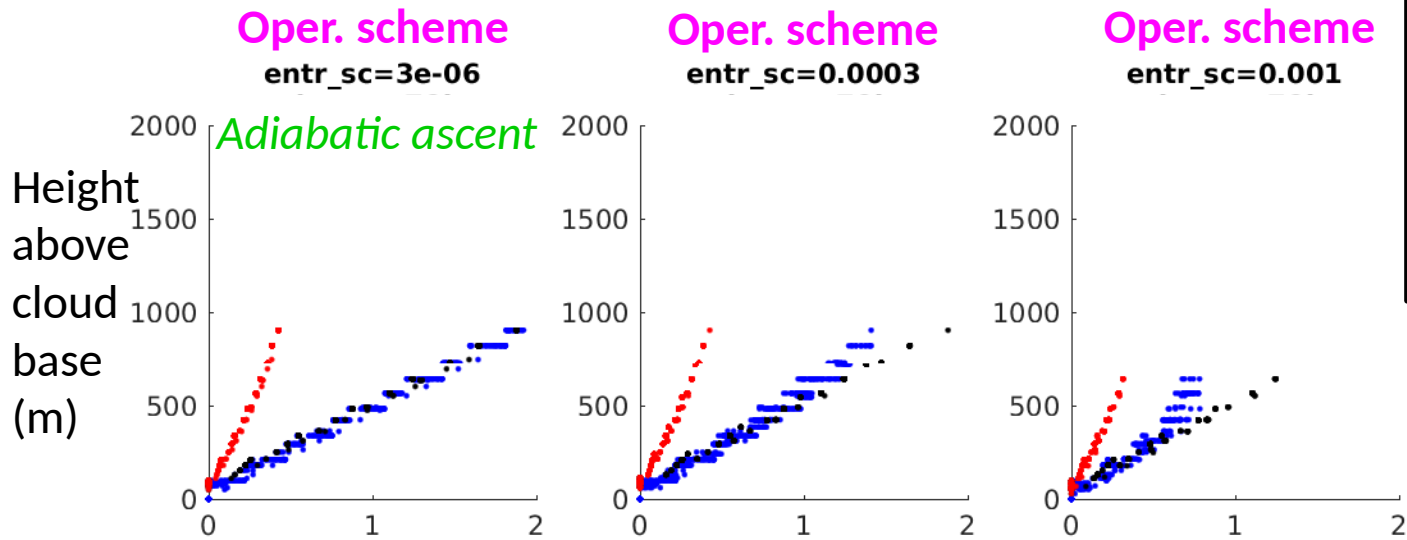
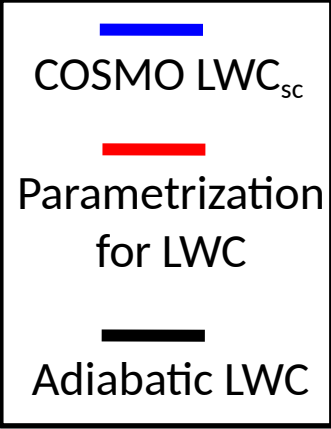




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# Summary

If  $RH=100\%$

Cloud cover + Liquid Water Content + Effective Radius

=1

Computed

Not from  $q_c!$   
New parametrization  
with Segal-Khain  
using CAMS or ART

?



Radiation  
scheme

If  $RH < 100\%$ , SGS [stratus](#)

Cloud cover + Liquid Water Content + Effective Radius

Turbulent  
properties

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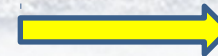
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Advanced  
Shallow Conv.  
Scheme ?

Sakradzija et al.,  
2016

$q_c$  from shallow conv.  
scheme  
or  
New parametrization

Not from  $q_c!$   
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Radiation  
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Thank you!