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| 17 | Key points:  |
| 18 | • Graupel is added to a convective microphysics scheme for global climate models   |
| 19 | • New convective ice particle terminal velocity schemes are implemented and convective   |
| 20 | snow is allowed to detrain   |
| 21 | • Vertical distribution of ice mass in the mid- and upper-troposphere is improved  |
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#### Abstract

25 Partitioning deep convective cloud condensates into components that sediment and 26 detrain, known to be a challenge for global climate models, is important for cloud vertical 27 distribution and anvil cloud formation. In this study, we address this issue by improving the 28 convective microphysics scheme in the National Center for Atmospheric Research Community 29 Atmosphere Model version 5.3 (CAM5.3). The improvements include: (1) considering 30 sedimentation for cloud ice crystals that do not fall in the original scheme, (2) applying a new 31 terminal velocity parameterization that depends on the environmental conditions for convective 32 snow, (3) adding a new hydrometeor category, "rimed ice", to the original four-class (cloud 33 liquid, cloud ice, rain, and snow) scheme, and (4) allowing convective clouds to detrain snow 34 particles into stratiform clouds. 35 Results from the default and modified CAM5.3 models were evaluated against observations from the U.S. Department of Energy Tropical Warm Pool-International Cloud 36 37 Experiment (TWP-ICE) field campaign. The default model overestimates ice amount, which is 38 largely attributed to the underestimation of convective ice particle sedimentation. By considering 39 cloud ice sedimentation and rimed ice particles and applying a new convective snow terminal 40 velocity parameterization, the vertical distribution of ice amount is much improved in the mid-41 and upper-troposphere when compared to observations. The vertical distribution of ice 42 condensate also agrees well with observational best estimates upon considering snow 43 detrainment. Comparison with observed convective updrafts reveals that current bulk model fails 44 to reproduce the observed updraft magnitude and occurrence frequency, suggesting spectral 45 distributions be required to simulate the subgrid updraft heterogeneity.

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#### 50 **1. Introduction**

51 While clouds are of importance in determining Earth's radiative energy balance, they are 52 among the largest contributors to uncertainty in simulations of weather and climate. Despite 53 increased computational power, cloud microphysical processes are still represented by 54 parameterizations even in high-resolution models due to the fact that these processes are 55 complicated and cannot be resolved. A continuing research effort to improve cloud 56 microphysics parameterizations is needed.

57 Global climate models (GCMs) treat convective and stratiform clouds separately due in 58 part to the coarse grid spacing (e.g., 100~200 km) and drastically different temporal/spatial 59 scales for each cloud type. Treatment of stratiform clouds includes the stratiform cloud 60 microphysics parameterizations (e.g., Fowler et al., 1996; Lohmann and Roeckner, 1996; 61 Morrison and Gettelman, 2008) that simulate the evolution of cloud hydrometeors based on 62 detailed microphysical process rates. In contrast, cumulus microphysics in most convection 63 schemes is often ignored or oversimplified. Previous studies showed a high dependence of 64 climate sensitivity on the treatment of convection in models (Slingo et al., 1994). The 65 simplified convective microphysics parameterizations have raised concerns about the 66 adequacy for climate studies. Thus, improving the parameterizations of convection and 67 associated microphysical processes is still one of the major tasks in GCM development (e.g., 68 Danabasoglu et al., 2020; Elsaesser et al., 2017; Golaz et al., 2019).

69 Convection parameterizations are conceptualized in a variety of ways (e.g., see Chapter 6 70 in Stensrud, 2007). Some parameterizations relate convective activity to large-scale moisture 71 convergence (e.g., Kuo 1965; 1974); some are based on moist convective adjustment (e.g., 72 Betts, 1986) and some use convective instability-based mass flux schemes (e.g., Arakawa 73 and Schubert, 1974; Zhang and McFarlane, 1995). Nearly all of these parameterizations are 74 designed to represent the thermodynamic influence of convection on the large-scale moisture 75 and heat budget, but with a rather crude treatment of cloud microphysics processes. In the 76 early convection schemes, for example, conversion of cloud water to rainwater was 77 determined by empirical relationships with tuning parameters. Later, single-moment 78 microphysics schemes for convective clouds emerged that incorporated the microphysical 79 processes to varying degrees. Recently, GCMs have started to incorporate detailed double-80 moment convective cloud microphysics schemes (Zhang and Song, 2016) that explicitly treat 81 mass mixing ratios and number concentrations of convective cloud hydrometeors (e.g., Song 82 and Zhang, 2011, hereafter SZ11; Zhang et al., 2005). With these convective microphysics 83 schemes, a new door opened for studies of convective precipitation formation, convection-84 stratiform interactions, and aerosol-convection-precipitation interactions (e.g., Tao et al., 85 2012).

Most current convective microphysics schemes (e.g., SZ11; Zhang et al., 2005) used in GCMs are developed based on stratiform microphysics schemes (e.g., Lohmann and Roeckner, 1996; Morrison and Gettelman, 2008, hereafter MG08), partly owing to incomplete knowledge of cumulus microphysics and lack of observations within convective cores. Though the ultimate goal for representing clouds is to develop a unified cloud scheme for both convective and stratiform clouds, we note that those expressions in the stratiform

microphysics scheme are uncertain especially when applied to cloud types other than
stratiform. Convective cloud microphysical processes can be very different from stratiform
because of the very different dynamic and thermodynamic controls (Heymsfield et al., 2013;
Houze, 1997; Jackson et al., 2017). For example, the representation of convective
hydrometeor terminal velocities are likely different from that in stratiform clouds because of
different particle microphysical properties (e.g., size, density, habit).

98 Among the microphysical processes, riming is the one by which ice particles collect 99 supercooled cloud water to form rimed ice particles. In contrast to stratiform clouds where 100 rimed ice hydrometeors may not be important (Gettelman et al., 2019), deep convection 101 provides a more favorable environment for producing a large number of rimed ice 102 hydrometeors characterized by appreciable fall speeds. The rimed ice hydrometeors are often 103 neglected in GCM convective microphysics parameterizations, but can be important for 104 properly simulating convective cloud properties (e.g., vertical distribution of cloud water, 105 cloud vertical extent, updraft intensity, and precipitation rate).

106 Ice water content (IWC) is an important cloud microphysical property, yet GCM 107 simulations do not agree on its magnitude and spatial distribution (Jiang et al., 2012; Li et al., 108 2012; Waliser et al., 2009). Vertical IWC distributions in convective clouds depend on the 109 partitioning of convective cloud condensate into precipitation and detrained components. The 110 latter is a major source for the formation of anvil clouds. Because of their large areal 111 coverage, these anvil clouds are an important radiation modulator. However, their control on 112 Earth's radiation energy budget and their responses to climate change remain highly 113 uncertain (Bony et al., 2006; Fu et al., 1995; Hartmann, 2016; Hartmann and Larson, 2002; 114 Lindzen et al., 2001; Ramanathan and Collins, 1991; Stephens, 2005). Additionally, the

115 detrainment of convective cloud condensates may be underestimated (Storer et al., 2015) in 116 GCMs since most GCM convective microphysics schemes (e.g., SZ11) do not consider the 117 detrainment of precipitating particles (e.g., rain and snow). The snow particles that dominate 118 the total ice mass have a far slower fall speed than raindrops that have the same size, 119 suggesting that snow detrainment should be considered. The magnitude of detrained 120 condensate also depends on the competition between condensate lofted by convective 121 updrafts and that which falls out. It is therefore critically important to reliably represent both 122 convective updraft speeds and convective hydrometeor terminal velocities in GCMs.

123 An empirical pre-defined terminal velocity-diameter ( $V_t$ -D) power-law relationship ( $V_t = \alpha$ 124  $D^{\beta}$ ) is often used to represent how fast an individual ice particle with diameter D will fall. 125 The pre-factor ( $\alpha$ ) and exponential factor ( $\beta$ ) are determined from fits to experimental and 126 field campaign aircraft datasets (e.g., Gunn and Kinzer, 1949; Heymsfield, 1972; Locatelli 127 and Hobbs, 1974). Often, these V<sub>t</sub>-D relationships with constant  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  coefficients are 128 inappropriately extrapolated well beyond the subranges of the size spectra within which these 129 measurements were made. Meanwhile, these oversimplified power-law relationships are 130 often deficient. For instance,  $V_t$  decreases unrealistically when an ice particle becomes 131 smaller but denser. The  $V_t$ -D relationship with constant  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  lacks degrees of freedom to 132 account for natural variability. Recently, Elsaesser et al. (2017, hereafter EL17) developed a 133 new parameterization of convective ice particle terminal velocity based on *in situ* aircraft 134 observations in flight legs adjacent to convective cores collected during several U.S. 135 Department of Energy (DOE) and NASA campaigns. The EL17 parameterization is unique 136 in that it does not assume an ice particle habit. Coefficients  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in EL17 vary as a function of temperature, pressure and IWC. 137

138 In this study, we introduce several improvements to the SZ11 convective microphysics 139 scheme in the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) Community Atmosphere 140 Model version 5.3 (CAM5.3) with a focus on ice microphysics. The modifications include 1) 141 the addition of the rimed ice category; we use the term "rimed ice" to refer to graupel in the 142 rest of the manuscript; 2) the implementation of the EL17 terminal velocity parameterization 143 for convective snow and rimed ice particles; 3) the application of a new terminal velocity 144 parameterization formulated in terms of the Davis or Best (X) and Reynolds (Re) numbers for 145 convective cloud ice particles; and 4) the detrainment of convective snow to feed into the 146 stratiform cloud microphysics. Simulated convective updraft vertical velocity within 147 convective cores is also evaluated against ground-based radar retrievals. The rest of the 148 manuscript is organized as follows. Development of parameterizations and model 149 configuration are presented in section 2. Observational datasets used for model evaluation are 150 described in section 3. Results are discussed in section 4, and section 5 summarizes the 151 findings.

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### 2. Model and Parameterizations

## 153 **2.1 The CAM5.3 with default convective microphysics parameterization**

The NCAR CAM5.3 is the atmosphere component of the Community Earth System Model version 1.2 (Hurrell et al., 2013). In the standard CAM5.3, stratiform cloud microphysical processes for different hydrometeors (i.e., cloud water, cloud ice, rain and snow) are treated by a double-moment stratiform microphysics scheme (MG08). For MG08, the mass mixing ratios and number concentrations of cloud droplets and cloud ice are prognostic, while those of rain and snow are diagnosed. Deep convection is represented by a mass-flux convection scheme developed by Zhang and McFarlane (1995, hereafter ZM95). Detailed microphysical processes such as activation of cloud droplets on aerosols, ice nucleation, and cloud hydrometeor collection processes to form precipitating particles are crudely parameterized or neglected in ZM95. Total cloud water condensate is determined by net condensation within updraft plumes, and the partitioning between liquid and ice is determined by a simple linear function of temperature.

166 SZ11 developed a double-moment microphysics scheme similar to MG08 and 167 implemented it into ZM95 to represent convective cloud microphysics. SZ11 explicitly treats 168 mass mixing ratios and number concentrations of cloud liquid, cloud ice, rain, and snow by 169 considering detailed microphysical processes such as autoconversion, accretion, 170 homogeneous and heterogeneous freezing, rain and snow sedimentation, ice nucleation, and 171 droplet activation. Convective updraft vertical velocity, calculated from the updraft kinetic 172 energy budget equation (see SZ11 for more details), is used to parameterize the activations of 173 cloud condensation nuclei and ice nuclei (e.g., Liu et al., 2007). Moreover, cloud liquid and 174 cloud ice are assumed to remain suspended, and only precipitating particles (rain and snow) 175 are allowed to sediment. On the other hand, cloud liquid and cloud ice detrain, whereas 176 precipitating particles including snow do not. The standard CAM5.3 physics package, 177 together with the SZ11 convective microphysics scheme, are used for the control simulation 178 (CTRL) in this study.

#### 179 **2.2 Improved convective microphysics parameterization**

180 Improved convective ice microphysics parameterizations to the SZ11 scheme are 181 presented in this section. Figure 1 shows a schematic diagram for the microphysical 182 processes that are considered. The modified and added processes are shown in blue.

183 2.2.1 Terminal velocity (V<sub>t</sub>-D) parameterizations

184 The EL17 parameterization is used to replace the original representation of terminal 185 velocities of snow in SZ11 (and is also used to represent terminal velocities of rimed ice 186 particles, as detailed below). The terminal velocity parameterization based on X and Re 187 numbers has been described extensively in the literature (Heymsfield and Westbrook, 2010; 188 Lamb and Verlinde, 2011; Pruppacher and Klett, 1997) but has not been tested in GCMs. In 189 this study, we use the X-Re terminal velocity parameterization for representing the terminal 190 velocity of cloud ice. We primarily maintain the  $V_t$ -D power-law relationship forms (i.e.,  $V_t$  =  $\alpha D^{\beta}$ ) to parameterize ice particle fall speeds, wherein  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  coefficients are no longer 191 192 prescribed, but are derived as a function of environment and ice mass. Below, we briefly 193 summarize both schemes.

194 The EL17 scheme is developed through the use of *in situ* ice particle data for particles 195 larger than 50  $\mu m$  (threshold chosen to mitigate shattering effects and instrument uncertainty 196 on the measurement of small ice particles), indicating that this scheme is suitable for 197 calculating the snow and rimed ice particle fall speeds in bulk cloud microphysical schemes. 198 Since the fall speed is dependent on temperature, pressure and IWC, it is expected to 199 simulate increased fall speeds for larger ice particles with higher IWC falling at warmer 200 temperatures and lower altitudes. This leads to a more efficient removal of cloud condensates 201 in the lower troposphere and a longer lifetime of ice particles aloft. Coefficients  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in 202 the EL17 Vt-D parameterizations are summarized in Table 1. The terminal velocity 203 coefficients of rimed ice particles (not provided in EL17) are given in Table E1 of Appendix 204 E. These coefficients were derived by recomputing the fits to the campaign data in EL17 with 205 the constraint that they transit to the dense ice formulation in Heymsfield and Wright (2014)

at the largest IWC and temperature bins. Combined, this improves the seamless transition
 across different convective ice hydrometeors (snow and rimed ice) in the model.

208 Since such a regime where cloud ice particles are smaller than 50  $\mu m$  is lacking in 209 observations, another scheme should be used to parameterize the terminal velocity of small 210 ice particles (i.e., cloud ice crystals in bulk schemes). Thus, the cloud ice terminal velocity 211 parameterization following the X-Re relationship is developed based on the small ice crystal 212 assumption (see Appendix A for derivation information). Hereafter, we refer to this X-Re 213 terminal velocity parameterization as the XReICE scheme. For the first time, the X-Re 214 relationship is used for representing cloud particle fall speed in a GCM. The factors  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ 215 of the X-Re-derived Vt-D power-law relationship are also listed in Table 1, and these factors 216 depend on both particle (e.g., mass, size) and air flow (e.g., viscosity) properties. As part of 217 the EL17 field campaign analyses, they found that an *m-D* relationship that best reproduced their results was given by  $m = 0.06D^{2.07}$ , where m denotes mass in kg and D denotes 218 219 maximum dimension in meters. We use this *m*-*D* relationship for cloud ice sedimentation (in 220 Eq. A5, Appendix A), but currently do not propagate it through the rest of the model. This X-221 *Re*-derived *Vt-D* treatment could be easily extended to cloud ice in stratiform microphysics 222 schemes when an appropriate *m*-*D* relationship is provided.

Figure 2 shows the *Vt-D* relationships for ice particles (cloud ice, snow and rimed ice particles) at 500 hPa and -5°C. The results at 300 hPa and -35°C show a slightly larger *Vt* due to the less dense air aloft but are very similar to those at lower levels. Here, cloud ice terminal velocity in MG08 (denoted as MG08-ice) (Ikawa and Saito, 1990) is shown for comparison to the XReICE sedimentation scheme (denoted as XReICE-ice). XReICE produces a fall velocity that is a factor of five slower than MG08 across the typical cloud ice

229 size ranges (Figure 2a). Previous studies (Heymsfield et al., 2013; Heymsfield and 230 Westbrook, 2010) suggested that the empirical formulae overestimate terminal velocity for 231 small ice particles because of the particle area ratio consideration and pressure-dependent 232 correction. The agreement between the XReICE sedimentation scheme and the complete X-233 *Re* terminal velocity parameterization that considers the particle area ratio (Heymsfield and 234 Westbrook, 2010) (denoted as HW10) (Figure 2a) suggests that the mathematical 235 simplifications made for the X-Re scheme (see Appendix A) do not jeopardize the accuracy of the results. For convective snow, the EL17 scheme (denoted as EL17-0.05 and EL17-0.5 236 237 in Figure 2b) results in substantially larger terminal velocities than the original SZ11 scheme 238 (denoted as SZ11-snow) (Locatelli and Hobbs, 1974) particularly for larger snow particles. 239 For rimed ice hydrometeors, the hail and graupel terminal velocities from Matson and 240 Huggins (1980) and Locatelli and Hobbs (1974), respectively, are also shown in Figure 2c 241 for comparison. The EL17 scheme produces smaller speeds than those by Locatelli and 242 Hobbs (1974) at sizes smaller than  $\sim 300 \,\mu\text{m}$ . EL17 also produces larger speeds than those by 243 Matson and Huggins (1980) at sizes larger than  $\sim 600 \,\mu m$ . Compared to our new terminal 244 velocity parameterizations, the empirical Vt-D relationships with constant pre- and 245 exponential factors seem like overestimate the terminal velocity for smaller particles (e.g., 246 cloud ice crystals, small snow and rimed ice particles), and underestimate the terminal 247 velocity for larger particles (e.g., large snow and rimed ice particles). Moreover, the EL17 248 scheme shows a sensitivity to various ice masses (EL17-0.05 and EL17-0.5), indicating the 249 dependence of fall speeds on particle density to some extent.

Ideally, the other microphysical processes, in particular the collection processes, should fuse the new treatments of the ice particle terminal velocity. The XReICE and EL17 schemes

are only used for ice particle sedimentation; thus, consistency across the whole set of microphysical processes is not achieved at present. Future effort is required to couple improved ice particle terminal velocity with other microphysical processes and improve the consistency.

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# 2.2.2 Rimed ice microphysics

257 Recall that SZ11 is a four-class cloud hydrometeor (cloud droplet, cloud ice, rain and 258 snow) scheme. Riming processes are partly considered in SZ11, while their end product is 259 assigned as snow (e.g., accretion of rain by snow to form snow). Unfortunately, convective 260 snow does not automatically exhibit the characteristics of rimed ice particles. The increase of 261 ice fall speed accompanying with riming (Lin et al., 2011) has not been reflected when the 262 end product is snow in SZ11. Adding rimed ice particles is thus necessary for a more realistic 263 representation of convective microphysical processes. Wu et al. (2013) pointed out that there 264 is more snow in the stratiform region but more rimed ice in the convective region in their 265 study of the impacts of ice processes on simulated squall lines.

266 A series of microphysical processes associated with rimed ice is added into the SZ11 267 scheme and is schematically shown in Figure 1 (in blue). The productions of rimed ice 268 hydrometeors are detailed in Appendix B. They include the accretion of cloud droplets by 269 snow to form rimed ice, collection of rain by snow, collection of snow by rain, freezing of 270 rainwater, and accretions of cloud liquid/rainwater by rimed ice. The sink of rimed ice 271 hydrometeors is sedimentation. Note that the accretion of cloud droplets by snow, the 272 accretion of rain by snow, homogeneous and heterogeneous freezing of raindrops were 273 considered in the default SZ11 scheme as source terms for the snow budget. However, now 274 these are adjusted to serve as source terms for both snow and rimed ice budgets when rimed

ice microphysics is implemented. In addition, two new processes (i.e., accretion of cloud
liquid and rainwater by rimed ice) are introduced.

The gamma distribution,  $\phi(D) = N_0 D^{\mu} e^{-\lambda D}$ , has been found to fit the observed rimed 277 278 ice spectra well (e.g., see Figure 1.2 and 1.3 in Straka 2009; Ziegler et al., 1983). This is 279 because rimed ice is usually produced by coalescence of cloud hydrometeors, rather than 280 aerosol activation with follow-up water vapor condensation, implying a negligible amount of 281 rimed ice hydrometeors with sizes close to zero in the size distribution. However, most 282 previous modeling studies (e.g., Gettelman et al., 2019; Ikawa and Saito, 1990; Lin et al., 283 1983; Reisner et al., 1998) conventionally represented rimed ice spectrum with the inverse-284 exponential distribution ( $\mu = 0$ ), where the ice particle numbers unwantedly concentrate in 285 small size ranges. Shan et al. (2020) illustrate that a gamma function with nonzero  $\mu$  can 286 accurately fit the size distribution of particles generated by coalescence. Thus, in this study 287 we use a gamma distribution function with a prescribed shape parameter of  $\mu = 3$  to represent 288 the rimed ice spectrum. The general microphysical process equations considering the nonzero shape parameter for rimed ice  $(\mu_q)$  are given in detail in Appendix B. Inclusion of rimed ice 289 290 also requires changes to the existing water budget equations for the evolution of other 291 hydrometeors and for water budget conservation. These changes are also detailed in Appendix B. The bulk density of rimed ice  $\rho_g$  is 500 kg m<sup>-3</sup> (Gettelman et al., 2019). 292 293 Terminal velocity of rimed ice hydrometeors is based on EL17 and is shown in Figure 2c. All 294 rimed ice contributes to the convective precipitation. Excluding the detrained snow (see 295 section 2.2.3), the remainder, which refers to as the sedimenting component of snow, 296 contributes to precipitation. Note that cloud ice, rain and snow in SZ11 are represented by

inverse-exponential distributions while cloud water is represented by a gamma distribution.
 Bulk densities of cloud ice and snow are 500 and 100 kg m<sup>-3</sup>, respectively.

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#### 2.2.3 Convective snow detrainment

300 For the first time, we consider snow detrainment in the modified convective microphysics 301 scheme and investigate its impact on the model simulated cloud and precipitation properties. 302 Snow particles are only treated as precipitating particles in SZ11, where a balance between 303 snow microphysical production and fallout is assumed within one model time step (e.g., 30 304 min). This assumption may be problematic since snow particles sediment much more slowly 305 than rimed ice particles and raindrops (Luo et al., 2005). Therefore, a portion of the falling 306 snow particles will not reach the ground and thus should be detrained along with the 307 convective cloud ice to feed the stratiform cloud scheme. Detrained snow is calculated as 308 follows: the detrainment rate calculated by the ZM95 scheme multiplies snow mass mixing 309 ratio and number concentration provided by the SZ11 convective microphysics, thus 310 mimicking the calculations for detrained cloud liquid and cloud ice. Note that the detrained 311 snow particles are relatively small because they represent the portion that does not fall fast 312 enough to reach the ground. The detrained convective snow particles are passed into the 313 stratiform cloud microphysics scheme (MG08).

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# 4 **2.3 Model configuration and experiments**

Single Column Model (SCM) simulations with high computational efficiency have been widely used as a testbed for model parameterization development and evaluation (Ghan et al., 2000; Liu et al., 2011; Randall et al., 1996). The SCM version of CAM is used in this study with initial and boundary forcing conditions provided from the constrained variational objective analysis (Wang et al., 2009; Xie et al., 2010; Zhang and Lin, 1997; Zhang et al., 320 2001). The SCM is run with a time step of 20 min and 30 vertical levels over a horizontal
321 domain of 1.9° (latitude) by 2.5° (longitude).

322 In addition to the CTRL experiment (CAM5.3 and default SZ11), three sensitivity 323 experiments are performed to investigate the roles of changes in terminal velocity, riming, 324 and the detrainment process in the convective microphysics scheme. In XReICE\_EL17, the 325 convective snow terminal velocity in CTRL is replaced by the EL17 scheme and cloud ice is 326 further allowed to fall with the terminal velocity calculated by the XReICE scheme. In 327 XReICE EL17 rime, riming processes and rimed ice hydrometeors are further considered on 328 top of XReICE EL17. Finally, in Conv snow detr, the XReICE EL17 rime settings are 329 used, additionally with part of convective snow being detrained into the stratiform clouds.

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#### 3. Observational data for model evaluations

331 The U.S. DOE Atmospheric Radiation Measurement (ARM) program Tropical Warm 332 Pool-International Cloud Experiment (TWP-ICE, Mather and Voyles, 2013; May et al., 2008) 333 took place in Darwin, Australia, during the monsoon period in 2006 (January-February) with 334 a focus on gaining a deeper understanding in tropical convective clouds. The Darwin area 335 experiences a wide array of convective systems consisting of active monsoon periods with 336 typical maritime storms and break periods with more coastal and continental convection 337 during TWP-ICE. Our study focuses on the cloud properties observed during the active 338 monsoon period (i.e., 19-25 January 2006) unless otherwise mentioned.

We use convective and stratiform rainfall rates observed by a C-band polarimetric scanning radar located about 30 km northeast of Darwin for our model evaluation. The data processing technique and quality control are described by Varble et al. (2011). Convective

# and stratiform precipitation is identified based on the fundamentally different radar reflectivity structures following Steiner et al. (1995).

Observational three-dimensional cloud IWC distributions can be found in Wang et al. (2009). This dataset covering the  $10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$  area centered at the Darwin site (-12.43° latitude, 130.89° longitude) with a 16-km resolution are retrieved using both ground-based cloud radar observations and satellite (NOAA-15,-16,-17,-18) high-frequency microwave measurements (Seo and Liu, 2005; 2006) during TWP-ICE. The retrievals are then averaged over the SCM grid domain during the active monsoon period for model comparison.

350 For the profiles of upper tropospheric IWC, measurements from the Earth Observing 351 System (EOS) Microwave Limb Sounder (MLS) onboard Aura satellite 352 (https://mls.jpl.nasa.gov/) are used. The standard IWC profiles have a useful vertical range 353 extending up to 83 hPa. The vertical resolution is ~3 km, and the horizontal resolution is ~300 km along-track and ~7 km cross-track. The valid IWC range is 0.3-50 mg m<sup>-3</sup> at 177 354 hPa and 0.02-50 mg m<sup>-3</sup> at 83 hPa (Livesey et al., 2017). The pixel-scale upper tropospheric 355 356 IWC for January and February 2006 is used and averaged over the SCM grid domain for 357 model comparison.

The convective updraft vertical velocity data collected by the dual-frequency radar wind profiler (RWP, 50- and 920-MHz frequencies) near the Darwin site during the 2005-2006 monsoon season (Williams, 2012) provides estimates for the updraft vertical velocity within convection. A fuzzy-logic echo classification (Giangrande et al., 2013; 2016) was developed to segregate convection (including convective cores, convective cloud edges and the associated periphery convective anvils) from stratiform clouds. These observations were documented by Kumar et al. (2015), and we maintain similar concepts by only presenting the

statistical properties of convective updrafts from events having at least 5-minutes of
 continuous convection as flagged by the echo classification.

**4. Results** 

#### 368 4.1 Terminal Velocity

369 Terminal velocity of a single cloud hydrometeor is not a quantity directly used in bulk 370 schemes. Instead, the averaged terminal velocity weighted by mass or number is used. Mass-371 weighted terminal velocity  $(V_m)$  is calculated by integrating the cloud hydrometeor terminal 372 velocity over the entire size spectrum weighted by mass mixing ratio. Figure 3 shows vertical 373 profiles of the mass-weighted terminal velocities for cloud ice, snow, and rimed ice particles from the CTRL and Conv\_snow\_detr simulations. The convective cloud ice  $V_m$  from the 374 XReICE sedimentation scheme is  $\sim 0.15$  m s<sup>-1</sup>, comprising peaks near 6 and 10 km (Fig. 3a). 375 376 The new convective snow  $V_m$  is significantly smaller between 10-16 km, but larger below 10 377 km than the CTRL simulation (Figure 3b), indicating a less (more) efficient removal of snow 378 at higher (lower) altitudes. The mass-weighted terminal velocity is expected to increase with the hydrometeor mean diameter that can be expressed as  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  where  $\lambda$  is the slope parameter in 379 380 the particle size distribution (see Eq. 18 in MG08); namely, the larger the particles are, the 381 faster they fall out. Larger particles are usually detected at lower altitudes due to the growth 382 by collision-coalescence during the precipitation stages (e.g., Stith et al., 2002) as well as due 383 to natural size sorting and sinking of larger particles. Therefore, we argue that the EL17 384 scheme, with fall speeds peaking at lower altitudes, captures a more realistic vertical 385 distribution of hydrometeor  $V_m$ . The terminal velocity of rimed ice particles is derived from 386 the EL17 scheme (i.e., its "denser" ice version), as described earlier. The rimed ice  $V_m$  also increases with decreasing altitude and peaks at 6 km with a value of 6 m  $s^{-1}$ . 387

388 Time-series of observed and modeled total precipitation rates and the break-down of 389 simulated total precipitation to convective and stratiform precipitation in the CTRL 390 simulation are shown in Figures 4a-c. Figures 4d-f show the differences of total, convective 391 and stratiform precipitations between other experiments and CTRL (i.e., other experiments 392 minus CTRL simulation). Intense precipitation was observed from 19 to 25 January, during 393 which the heaviest rainfall occurred on 23 January, followed by a period of light precipitation 394 (Figure 4a). The simulated total precipitation rates are similar among all the simulations, and 395 are in an excellent agreement with observations (within 5% difference; Figure 4 and Table 2). 396 However, previous studies show significant biases in simulated components of convective 397 and stratiform precipitations (Dai, 2006; Qian et al., 2015; Varble et al., 2011), which might 398 partly stem from convective and stratiform cloud microphysics schemes. Stratiform and 399 convective precipitations are directly produced through stratiform and convective 400 microphysics, respectively. Benefiting from rainfall measurements separating the stratiform 401 from the convective precipitation, comparing the precipitation partitioning between model 402 simulations and observations would reveal some insights about the biases of precipitation 403 estimates associated with microphysical schemes.

In Table 2, we provide the observed total, convective, and stratiform precipitation rates (reported as volumetric rainfall rates by Varble et al. (2011) in their Table 3). To compare with model grid-cell mean values, these volumetric rainfall rates are divided by the domain area (i.e.,  $176 \times 176 \text{ km}^2$ ) to obtain estimates of domain-mean values. By separating the total precipitation into convective and stratiform components, we find that the majority (62%) of observed total precipitation is contributed by convective precipitation during the active

410 monsoon period (Table 2). In the CTRL simulation, the simulated convective contribution411 accounts for 64%, whereas the stratiform contribution accounts for 36%.

412 By modifying convective cloud ice and snow terminal velocities (XReICE EL17), there is 413 a negligible change in stratiform and convective partitioning (Table 2). Upon addition of 414 rimed ice particles and associated riming processes (XReICE EL17 rime), the slight 415 increase in convective precipitation is consistent with previous studies (e.g., Wu et al., 2013). 416 In all simulations except Conv\_snow\_detr, only convective cloud ice and cloud liquid were permitted to detrain into stratiform clouds. In such a case, simulated stratiform precipitation 417 418 is insensitive to the modifications made in the convective microphysics scheme. When 419 convective snow is allowed to detrain (see section 2.2.3), an increase (decrease) in stratiform 420 (convective) precipitation is noted (Conv\_snow\_detr versus XReICE\_EL17\_rime in Table 2). There are two positive spikes in stratiform precipitation between 23 to 25 January (Figure 4f) 421 422 coincident with two negative spikes in convective precipitation (Figure 4e) when detrainment 423 mainly occurs (see Figure 9). Snow detrainment "seeds" stratiform clouds and "feeds" cloud 424 liquid droplets, thus boosting stratiform precipitation. It is worth noting that model estimates 425 are all within observational uncertainty bounds (Table 2). Continual evaluation and 426 improvement of convective and stratiform cloud microphysics, along with a reduction in 427 observational uncertainty, will allow for an assessment of the true biases in the precipitation simulation(s). 428

We define the frozen water content (FWC) as the sum of cloud ice and snow (and rimed ice where applicable). Figure 5 shows observed and simulated vertical distributions of gridmean total FWC (i.e., convective FWC + stratiform FWC) averaged over the active monsoon period. Note that simulated cloud ice and precipitating ice (i.e., snow and rimed ice) masses

were combined because observations cannot robustly distinguish between them. Observed 433 FWC profile shows a maximum of 120 mg m<sup>-3</sup> at about 8 km, and more broadly, high FWC 434 values exceeding 100 mg m<sup>-3</sup> extend from 6 to 8 km. The CTRL run captures the shape of 435 436 observed FWC profile but systematically overestimates the FWC. Relative to observations, 437 the CTRL simulation overestimates the total FWC by 73% at ~8 km and by more than 100% 438 above 10 km. We can divide the whole FWC profile into three parts: melting layer (i.e., 3 km 439 to 6 km), mixed-phase layer (i.e., 6 km to 10 km) and cold-phase layer (i.e., above 10 km). 440 Observations within the mixed-phase and melting layers are more uncertain because of the 441 co-existence of supercooled liquid droplets and solid ice particles. The model overestimation 442 of total FWC below 6 km is likely related to the stratiform counterpart (Figure 6), and/or the 443 satellite estimates may be biased low since satellite instruments cannot detect cloud 444 hydrometeors within the lower parts of precipitating deep convective systems due to 445 microwave signal attenuation in rain and graupel. Therefore, we mainly focus on the 446 simulated FWC at the cold-phase layer and qualitatively evaluate the simulated FWC below. 447 In the tropical region, the 10 km layer usually corresponds to the -37 °C isotherm layer where 448 the homogeneous freezing of cloud and rain droplets generally occurs, and all hydrometeors 449 are in the solid phase. Figure 6 shows the time-height cross sections of convective (left) and 450 stratiform (right) FWC. In the CTRL simulation, convective FWC dominates above 6 km, 451 suggesting most of the overestimated FWC when compared with observations in Figure 5 is 452 because of the convective counterpart. As a result, the high FWC bias should be attributed 453 partly to the underestimated falling speed of ice particles. Further note that snow particles 454 dominate the solid particle mass, suggesting that the underestimated snow particle terminal 455 velocity might be one of the bias sources.

456 The simulated total FWC in the XReICE\_EL17 run is decreased by ~25% (~23%) at 12 457 km (10 km) relative to the CTRL simulation and is in better agreement with observations 458 (Figure 5). XReICE EL17 introduces more effective sedimentation of solid particles by 459 increasing snow particle falling speed and enabling cloud ice crystal sedimentation, which 460 partially removes high FWC bias in particular above 10 km (also see Figure 6c). Note that 461 XReICE\_EL17 still overestimates total FWC by 50% (25%) at 12 km (10 km) when 462 compared with observations. Improving the convective cloud ice and snow sedimentation is 463 not sufficient to correct the vertical distribution of FWC in the mid- and upper-troposphere. 464 This is because the bulk convective microphysics with snow as the only precipitating ice 465 particles would "underestimate" the solid particle terminal velocity because it does not 466 account for the effects of faster-falling rimed ice particles. The results in Figure 5 indicate 467 that upon consideration of the dense rimed ice particles (XReICE\_EL17\_rime), the vertical 468 distribution of FWC is further improved and agrees well with observations above ~10 km. 469 Consideration of rimed ice hydrometeors denser than snow particles is an effective approach 470 for further increasing the solid particle sedimentation (Figure 3c) and eliminating the high 471 FWC bias (Figure 6e). In Conv\_snow\_detr, a portion of convective snow particles is 472 detrained into stratiform clouds where they sediment at the speed of stratiform cloud particles, 473 rather than being converted into rimed ice in the convective clouds. The stratiform FWCs show detectable increase in the upper troposphere on 23<sup>rd</sup> January when detrainment mainly 474 475 occurs (see next section). Consequently, Conv snow detr simulates slightly higher FWC 476 than XReICE\_EL17\_rime, but still shows large improvements in the simulated FWC profile 477 over the CTRL simulation (Figure 5).

| 478 | Regarding the upper tropospheric FWC (Figure 7), MLS observations show FWCs ranging                         |
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| 479 | from ~10 mg m <sup>-3</sup> at 140 hPa to ~30 mg m <sup>-3</sup> at 180 hPa. The simulated FWCs in the CTRL |
| 480 | simulation are about 2 times of the MLS values at these altitudes. Improving the convective                 |
| 481 | ice particle fall speeds reduces the bias in the simulated upper tropospheric FWC (Figure 7).               |
| 482 | Including rimed ice particles further improves the simulated FWCs. Upon considering snow                    |
| 483 | detrainment, the simulated FWC vertical distribution also agrees well with observations. The                |
| 484 | MLS IWC retrievals are considered to be reliable in this study because it is comparable to an               |
| 485 | independent three-dimensional IWC observational product (Seo and Liu, 2005) (see our                        |
| 486 | Figure 5 above 12 km).  |

In summary, applying new convective ice particle terminal velocity parameterizations
along with added dense rimed ice particles greatly improves the vertical structure of
simulated convective cloud condensate.

## 490 **4.2 Detrainment**

491 It is well established that ice detrainment from deep convection is a critical source for the 492 generation of upper tropospheric stratiform anvil clouds over the tropics (Biggerstaff and 493 Houze, 1991; Gamache and Houze, 1983; Rutledge and Houze, 1987; Smull and Houze, 494 1985; Fu et al., 1995; Krueger et al., 1995; Zeng et al., 2013). Currently in CAM5.3 with 495 SZ11, detrainment is parameterized by the product of the rate at which cloud condensate 496 detrains and the amount of cloud condensates. The complex and multiple physical processes 497 responsible for detrainment are often described in a single parameter: detrainment rate. 498 Unfortunately, a lack of available observations hinders an efficient verification of the use of 499 the detrainment rate. On the other hand, noting the improvement in convective microphysical 500 properties in terms of vertical profiles of FWC (section 4.1), it is a natural next step to

investigate the connection between convective and stratiform clouds through detrainment. In
a modeling study using the SZ11 convective microphysics scheme, Storer et al. (2015)
pointed out that deep convection is too active, and detrainment might be insufficient in the
CAM model.

505 The detrained ice mass mixing ratio and number concentration with and without snow 506 detrainment are shown in Figures 8 and 9. The profile of detrained ice mass in the 507 XReICE\_EL17\_rime simulation exhibits a bimodal distribution, with peak values of ~15 mg m<sup>-3</sup> at 8 and 15 km. The upper-peak (associated with the deep convection) is comparable in 508 509 magnitude with the lower-peak (corresponding to congestus or detrainment from the lower 510 part of deep cores). With the addition of snow detrainment (Conv snow detr), the detrained 511 ice mass profile retains the apparent bimodal distribution, and the magnitude increases consistently up to 16 km. The two peak values become  $\sim 25$  and 45 mg m<sup>-3</sup> at 8 and 15 km, 512 513 respectively. One striking feature is the marked increase in the detrained mass above 10 km 514 relative to the XReICE EL17 rime simulation. The range of mass detrainment heights (from 515 8 km to 15 km) for deep convection is comparable to previous findings informed by analysis 516 of satellite and ground-based observations over the ARM TWP Darwin site (Deng et al., 517 2016; Takahashi et al., 2017; Wang et al., 2020). Though quantifying and deriving detrained 518 ice requires further novel observational techniques and modeling studies, inclusion of snow 519 detrainment does alleviate a suspected underestimation of detrained FWC (Figure 8a).

520 The number concentration of detrained ice particles in the XReICE\_EL17\_rime 521 simulation (Figure 8b) displays a peak value of ~0.3 cm<sup>-3</sup> near 15 km. With the addition of 522 snow detrainment in the Conv\_snow\_detr simulation, detrained ice number concentration 523 (sum of cloud ice and snow number concentration, although cloud ice number concentration

is dominant) displays a peak value of ~0.25 cm<sup>-3</sup> at about 14 km and it decreases above 14
km but increases below 14 km relative to the results of XReICE\_EL17\_rime.

526 The detrained ice mass and number in the time-height cross-sections (Figure 9), on 527 average, increase consistently in every convective event when snow detrainment occurs in 528 the Conv snow detr simulation (Figure 9c-d). We note that detrainment occurs in deep 529 layers spanning several kilometers and is not confined within a thin layer near cloud top. This 530 is suggested as more realistic and consistent with cloud-resolving model and large-eddy 531 simulation results (Luo et al., 2005). Furthermore, detrainment occurs at different altitudes 532 corresponding to clouds with various vertical extents. In general, there are no significant 533 changes in the vertical and temporal structures of detrained mass between 534 XReICE\_EL17\_rime and Conv\_snow\_detr except in magnitude.

535 The Multifunctional Transport Satellite (MTSAT) provides the observational outgoing 536 longwave radiation (OLR), with data derived from use of the visible infrared solar-infrared 537 split window technique (Minnis et al., 2002). The top of the atmosphere (TOA) OLR is 538 closely related to ice cloud properties in the upper troposphere. As a result, we might expect 539 impacts on OLR due to the combined changes in Conv\_snow\_detr. The OLR is mostly 540 overestimated in the CTRL and Conv\_snow\_detr simulations (Figure 10), indicating more 541 longwave radiation is escaping than is observed, resulting from potential biases in simulated cloud amount and/or cloud top height (temperature). However, the difference of simulated 542 543 OLR between CTRL and Conv snow detr simulations is noted when detrainment occurs (i.e., January 23<sup>rd</sup>). In the Conv\_snow\_detr simulation, the simulated OLR is much improved 544 on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Despite a significant amount of IWC detrainment, the increase of upper 545 546 tropospheric ice clouds is small, which is more constrained by the large-scale forcing data.

547 The decrease in OLR is thus likely related to increase in cloud top IWC and/or higher cloud 548 top height. Before January 23<sup>rd</sup> when there is no significant detrainment occurring, the 549 overestimation of OLR reveals systematic errors in the model. On the second half of the 550 January 24<sup>th</sup>, the underestimation of OLR is slightly degraded in the Conv\_snow\_detr.

551 Figure 11 shows the time-pressure cross-sections of temperature and specific humidity 552 differences between (a, b) CTRL and observations, (c, d) XReICE\_EL17 and CTRL, (e, f) 553 XReICE\_EL17\_rime and CTRL, and (g, h) Conv\_snow\_detr and CTRL. The temperature 554 and specific humidity from the TWP-ICE forcing data are used for simulation evaluation. 555 The CTRL simulation shows cold biases mostly in the middle troposphere and dry biases 556 throughout the troposphere. Dry biases are found in particular below 600 hPa during the 557 active monsoon period, which is consistent with the findings in Song and Zhang (2011, see 558 their Figures 5 and 6). It is identified that the dry bias on 23-24 January is mainly induced by 559 the strong drying effect of deep convection. The cold bias may be attributed in part to the 560 simulated overestimation of OLR.

561 Compared to the CTRL simulation, the large-scale heat and moisture fields in the other 562 experiments are somewhat improved in some regions but become worse in others. For 563 example, the temperature becomes warmer at about 600-400 hPa on 22 January and at ~600 564 hPa from the second-half day of 23 January to 25 January, but becomes cooler between 800 565 and 600 hPa on 22 January and between 800 and 700 hPa on 23 January in the 566 Conv\_snow\_detr simulation than the CTRL simulation (Figure 11g); the atmosphere 567 becomes mostly wetter at about 600 hPa during 23 to the first-half day of 24 January, yet 568 becomes largely drier between 800 and 600 hPa on 22 January and at 800 hPa during 23-24 569 January in the Conv\_snow\_detr simulation than the CTRL simulation (Figure 11h). Most of

570 the temperature changes in the sensitivity simulations compared to the CTRL simulation are 571 due to the changes in evaporative cooling and convective heating in the ZM95 scheme, and 572 to a lesser extent in longwave cooling and shortwave warming. The increase in specific 573 humidity below 800 hPa in the XReICE EL17 simulation (Figure 11d) and below 600 hPa in 574 the XReICE EL17 rime simulation (Figure 11f) relative to the CTRL simulation can be 575 caused by the enhanced precipitation evaporation in light of the enhanced precipitation rate 576 (Table 2). An increase in detrainment results in moistening of the atmosphere, as well as 577 enhanced anvil clouds that have warming effects (Fu et al., 1995) which may explain the 578 increase in moisture and temperature seen in the middle and upper troposphere in the 579 Conv snow detr simulation on 23 January (Figure 11g and 11h).

It is noted that the changes made in the convective microphysics scheme modify the microphysical and radiative behavior of convective clouds, leading to changes in their role in redistributing heat and moisture in the environment. All subsequent changes are difficult to explicitly explain by a single physical process due to the complex and non-linear interaction between convective and stratiform clouds.

585 **4.3 Updraft velocity** 

An analysis of simulated convective updraft velocity may also provide insights into the overestimation of simulated total FWC in the CTRL run in addition to cloud hydrometeor terminal velocity. Among many microphysical processes, the ice deposition that depends on supersaturation is the dominant term for ice mass production. Water vapor supersaturation scales with convective updraft vertical velocity that can thus be considered as a proxy for the FWC source. In SZ11, the convective updraft velocity is calculated using the kinetic energy budget equation that is adopted from the European Center for Medium-range Weather 593 Forecast (ECMWF) model. New vertical velocity retrievals for deep convective clouds 594 developed using Radar Wind Profiler (RWP) observations (e.g., Williams 2012; Giangrande 595 et al., 2013; 2016; Kumar et al., 2015; Wang et al., 2019) enable an evaluation of simulated 596 updraft properties against observations.

597 RWP retrieved and model simulated cumulative frequency by altitude diagrams (CFADs) 598 (Yuter and Houze, 1995) are shown in Figure 12. Comparing model simulations and RWP 599 observations can be difficult because the model outputs represent temporal and spatial 600 averages, whereas the RWP measurements represent an 'instantaneous' estimate for a 601 relatively small illuminated radar volume O[1km]. One of the advantages of using CFADs is 602 that the normalized frequency from the observations is less sensitive to the spatial scale, 603 which to some extent relieves the difficulties in comparing GCM simulations with 604 instantaneous point observations. Retrieved updraft properties are available from the 2005-605 2006 monsoonal period, and updraft vertical velocities are processed only when convection 606 is identified (see section 3). The sample size for these retrievals includes data from  $\sim 40$ 607 separate convective event/days. The associated CFAD reflects ~113,000 instantaneous 608 profiler estimates of the convective updraft vertical velocity at all altitudes with  $\sim 1,000$ 609 samples at almost each altitude. Note, the sample size from our simulations is  $\sim$ 420 610 convective events during TWP-ICE, where we define the number of convective events as the 611 numbers of convective microphysics triggered. The associated CFAD shows ~5,000 612 simulated convective updraft vertical velocity outputs at all height levels with ~40 (~400) 613 samples at higher (lower) altitudes. The CFAD bin size is  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

The observed convective updraft vertical velocity (Figure 12a) exhibits large variability,
with frequent and intense updraft velocities, as well as numerous profiles with speeds less < 1</li>

m s<sup>-1</sup>. This is common in the observations, as we often sample the updraft cores as well as the 616 617 periphery regions and transitions to downdraft conditions at the edges of the more intense 618 updraft regions. The model simulations (Figures 12b, c, and d) yield profiles clustered 619 between the two extremes, particularly at altitudes higher than 6 km. Few simulated updraft velocities reach 12 m s<sup>-1</sup> above 7 km in the CTRL simulation (Figure 12b) while the 620 621 Conv\_snow\_detr simulation tends to simulate some larger velocities at higher altitudes (Figure 12c). It is noted that simulated maximum velocities do not exceed 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> (Figures 622 12b and c) since an upper bound of 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> is set to the convective updraft vertical velocity 623 in SZ11. Meanwhile, observed maximum values exceed 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> at almost all altitudes 624 (instantaneous extreme event samples). Removing the 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> upper bound threshold allows 625 the model to simulate some updraft velocities larger than 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> between 4-8 km (Figure 626 627 12d). We also increase the simulated convective updraft velocities by a factor of two (Figure 628 12e) for sensitivity test purpose, leading to a significant increase in simulated FWC (not 629 shown). We also perform a sensitivity test by replacing the ECMWF scheme with the 630 Gregory (2001) scheme for convective updraft velocity calculations. This scheme allows the model to reproduce the strong updrafts at higher altitudes after removing the 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> upper 631 632 bound (Figure 12f). The normalized sampling number from simulations is comparable to that 633 from observations (not shown). It is thus implied that the parameterization for convective 634 updrafts outweighs sampling issues because the Gregory scheme is able to simulate strong 635 updrafts at higher altitudes given the similar sampling numbers from model simulations. 636 Detailed analyses of the structure and impact of both parameterizations are beyond the scope 637 of this work.

At the low end of the updraft velocity spectrum, we find that the model fails to reproduce 638 639 the weaker updraft vertical velocities seen in the observations. At every altitude, the observations suggest that weak ( $< 5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ) updraft velocities are common, followed by a 640 641 gradual decrease in the frequency of updrafts occupying higher velocity bins. In the model, simulations often produce moderate updraft velocities extending from  $\sim 3$  to  $\sim 10$  m s<sup>-1</sup>, with 642 643 fewer occurrences of low and high velocities. A number of these differences can be partially 644 explained by the effects of spatial averaging. The convective edges and periphery convection 645 are included in the updraft velocity retrievals, and these regions typically have lower 646 velocities. On the other hand, the simulated convective updrafts are at sub-grid scale and are 647 assumed homogeneously uniform in convection, and as such, the lower velocities associated 648 with peripheries would not be captured. The absence of the heterogeneity also implies that 649 simulated updrafts would miss the most intense inner core of a convective updraft, and 650 therefore, significant underestimation of the occurrence frequency of strong convective 651 updraft vertical velocities is also expected. Finally, what increases the difficulty in comparing 652 simulated bulk convective updrafts with observations is the concept of bulk or ensemble in 653 the current convection scheme used in GCMs. To reduce computational cost, cumulus 654 plumes with different intensity and depth are averaged over the whole cumulus spectrum. In 655 contrast, observed convective updrafts are obtained from individual convective instances. To better represent updraft vertical velocity in the model, a spectral or probability density 656 657 distribution accounting for the heterogeneity should be used to better represent the real nature 658 of convective systems.

659 The lack of variability in updraft velocities plausibly has a large impact on the 660 microphysical processes such as cloud droplet activation and ice nucleation. Homogeneous

aerosol freezing and heterogeneous ice nucleation are parameterized to occur in weak updrafts (< 4 m s<sup>-1</sup>), while homogeneous droplet freezing is parameterized to occur in strong updrafts following Phillips et al. (2007) in the SZ scheme (Song et al., 2012). The absence of both weak and strong updrafts leads to the suppressed ice nucleation and droplet freezing, and combined with a dry bias in the model (Figure 11), a low bias in the production of cloud ice is likely expected.

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## 5. Summary and Conclusions

668 This study implements four improvements to the SZ11 convective microphysical 669 parameterization in NCAR CAM5.3. They include (1) incorporation of cloud ice particle fall 670 velocities; a universal dependence of Vt on particle and air flow properties formulated in 671 terms of Davis or Best (X) and Reynolds (Re) numbers (in the form of power-law 672 relationships) has been developed (see detailed mathematical derivations in Appendix A) and 673 is used for the first time in atmospheric models, (2) replacement of the snow terminal 674 velocity formulation with a more adequate parameterization for convective snow, (3) 675 addition of a rimed ice hydrometeor category to the SZ11 existing four classes (cloud liquid, 676 cloud ice, rain, and snow), and (4) the enabling of convective snow particles to be detrained. 677 This work improves the physical basis for the removal of cloud condensates in a convective 678 microphysics scheme and complements the work that includes rimed ice hydrometeors in a 679 stratiform microphysics scheme (Gettelman et al., 2019).

The simulated total FWC from the CTRL run is overestimated by 73% at 8 km and more than 100% above 10 km compared to the observation averaged over the active monsoon period. By looking into the convective and stratiform counterparts, it is found that most of the FWC above 6 km is largely contributed by convective clouds. The parameterization in

684 SZ11 tends to underestimate the terminal velocity of ice particles in convection, leading to an 685 underestimation in the removal of cloud and precipitating particles. By implementing a 686 convective-oriented ice particle terminal velocity parameterization (i.e., the EL17 scheme) 687 for snow, and enabling convective cloud ice to fallout, the total simulated FWC in 688 XReICE EL17 is decreased and becomes closer to observations. However, XReICE EL17 689 still overestimates total FWC by 50% at 12 km and 25% at 10 km when compared with 690 observations. After adding the dense rimed ice particles into the convective microphysics 691 scheme, the vertical distribution of FWC is further improved and exhibits the best agreement 692 with observations above  $\sim 10$  km. Therefore, the underestimation of ice particle terminal 693 velocity, likely implying an underestimated sink of cloud and precipitating condensates, 694 plays an important role in the overestimation of simulated FWC.

The detrained ice mass mixing ratio and number concentration are investigated. There is a marked increase in detrained ice particle mass above 10 km along with an increase in detrained ice particle number with the addition of snow detrainment. The simulated OLR is improved with snow detrainment when detrainment mainly occurs (January 23<sup>rd</sup>).

We also examine the simulated convective updraft vertical velocity. Relative to RWP retrievals, we find that the model significantly underestimates the occurrence frequency of both strong and weak convective updraft vertical velocities.

The simulated microphysical properties of detrainment from models need to be evaluated against observations in the future; such an analysis will be important for constraining and reducing the uncertainties associated with anvil clouds. Impacts of the inclusion of snow detrainment on climate (e.g., water and radiative energy budgets in the upper troposphere and general circulation) should also be investigated. It is important that convective cloud

microphysical properties are simultaneously analyzed with convective updraft vertical
velocities since all such variables are coupled, ensuring that they are all correct so that model
simulations and climate projections are improved for the right reasons.

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## Appendix A – Davis-Reynolds number V<sub>t</sub> parameterization

Previous studies (Abraham, 1970; Beard, 1980; Böhm, 1989; 1992) have established an analytical expression to relate the *Davis* or *Best* number (*X*) and *Reynolds* (*Re*) number as follows:

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$$X \equiv C_D R e^2 = \frac{\rho_a 2 m g D^2}{\eta^2 A}$$
(A1)

where  $C_D$  is the drag coefficient, g is the gravitational acceleration in m s<sup>-2</sup>,  $\eta$  is the air dynamic viscosity as a function of temperature in poise with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.002 \times 10^{-4}$  poise (Pruppacher and Klett, 1997, pp.417),  $\rho_a$  is the air density in kg m<sup>-3</sup>, m denotes the mass of individual ice particle in kg ( $m = aD^b$ ), and A denotes the cross-sectional area of individual particles in m<sup>2</sup> ( $A = \gamma D^{\sigma}$ ). D is particle maximum dimension. After further substitution of the drag coefficient as a function of Re,  $C_D = C_0 (1 + \delta_0 / Re^{1/2})^2$  (Abraham, 1970), we get a X-Re relation:

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$$Re = \frac{\delta_0^2}{4} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{4\sqrt{X}}{\delta_0^2 \sqrt{C_0}} \right)^{1/2} - 1 \right]^2$$
(A2)

where  $C_0 = 0.35$ , and  $\delta_0 = 8.0$  (Heymsfield and Westbrook, 2010). The terminal velocity of individual cloud particles for a given environmental condition is calculated as follows:

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$$v_t = \frac{\eta R e}{\rho_a D}$$
 (A3)

727 Eliminating X and Re by combining Eqs. (A1), (A2) and (A3), we get

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$$v_t = \frac{\eta}{\rho_a D} \frac{\delta_0^2}{4} [(1+f(D))^{1/2} - 1]^2$$
 (A4)

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$$f(D) = \frac{4}{\delta_0^2 \sqrt{c_0}} \left[ \frac{\rho_a 2mg D^2}{\eta^2 A} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{4}{\delta_0^2 \sqrt{c_0}} \left[ \frac{\rho_a 8mg}{\eta^2 \pi A_r} \right]^{1/2}$$
 (A5)

when the area ratio  $A_r = A/[(\frac{\pi}{4})D^2]$  of a particle is introduced into f(D). It is not 730 731 straightforward to analytically solve the integration of  $v_t$  in Eq. (A4) over the entire size 732 spectrum due to the complex function of D (Note that m and A is also a function of D within the 733 square root). This X-Re based ice particle terminal velocity relationship has been primarily 734 informed through laboratory experiments (e.g., Heymsfield and Westbrook, 2010), and it also 735 serves as a benchmark for validating the empirical Vt-D power-laws (e.g., Mitchell, 1996). 736 However, the complete X-Re terminal velocity parameterization is seldom used in atmospheric 737 modeling because its complexity of the algebraic equations makes it difficult to obtain an 738 analytical expression for use in bulk microphysics schemes. A further simplification is made to 739 obtain a power-law relationship to facilitate use in bulk schemes.

740 By setting Z(D) 
$$\equiv \frac{4\sqrt{X}}{\delta_0^2 \sqrt{C_0}}$$
, we get:

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$$Re = \frac{\delta_0^2}{4} [(1+Z)^{1/2} - 1]^2 \approx \frac{\delta_0^2}{4} [\frac{Z}{2}]^2$$
 (A6)

Here it is assumed that Z is much smaller than unity. Reynolds number *Re* can thus be simplified to  $Re = X/(\delta_0^2 C_0)$ . Substituting the simplified *Re* into Eq. (A3),  $v_t$  can be simplified as:

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$$v_t = \frac{2ag}{\delta_0^2 C_0 \eta_{\gamma}} D^{b-\sigma+1} = \frac{8ag}{\delta_0^2 C_0 \eta \pi A_r} D^{b-1}$$
 (A7)

Now  $v_t$  is analytically integrable over the whole size spectrum to calculate the mass- and number-weighted terminal velocity. Equation (A7) is valid when Z is much smaller than unity. Figure A1 shows that when ice particle dimensions are smaller than 500  $\mu$ m, Z is far smaller than

- value of temperature and pressure. This study uses  $v_t$  in Eq. (A7) to
- represent the terminal velocity-diameter power-law relationship for cloud ice particles. We
- assume the area ratio  $A_r$  to be unity for simplicity.
- 751 The mass-weighted  $(V_{mi})$  and number-weighted  $(V_{ni})$  terminal velocities are calculated as:

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$$V_{mi} = \frac{8ag}{\delta_0^2 C_0 \eta \pi} \frac{\Gamma(2b)}{\Gamma(b+1)} \lambda^{1-b}$$
 (A8)

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$$V_{ni} = \frac{8ag}{\delta_0^2 C_0 \eta \pi} \Gamma(b) \lambda^{1-b}$$
(A9)

The above two equations match those in Khvorostyanov and Curry (2002) (their Eqs. 2.14-2.15 for the  $X \ll X_{sc}$  regime).



Fig A1. Z values as a function of temperature and pressure for different ice particle dimensions.

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# 760 **Appendix B** – Description of the improved convective microphysics scheme

An equation set including the rimed ice microphysics is given in section (a) for completeness.

- 762 Detailed process rates for rimed ice microphysics are given in section (b).
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## (a) Microphysics budget equations

The budget equations for cloud hydrometer mass mixing ratio  $(q_x \text{ in } \text{kg} \text{kg}^{-1})$  and number concentration  $(N_x \text{ in } \# \text{kg}^{-1})$ , where x corresponds to cloud water (c), rain (r), cloud ice (i), snow (s) and rimed ice (g), respectively, are written as follows:

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(M_u q_x) = -D_u q_x + \sigma_u S_x^q \tag{a1}$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(M_u N_x) = -D_u N_x + \sigma_u S_x^N$$
(a2)

where *z* is height;  $M_u$ ,  $D_u$  are the convective updraft mass flux and detrainment rate, respectively, given by the ZM95 scheme, and  $\sigma_u$  is the fractional area occupied by convective updrafts.  $S_x^q$ 

and  $S_x^N$  are source/sink terms for  $q_x$  and  $N_x$  of different hydrometeor species and are written as

772 
$$S_c^q = P_{c.cond}^{qc} - P_{c.auto}^{qc} - P_{racw}^{qc} - P_{c.frz\_hom}^{qc} - P_{c.frz\_het}^{qc} - P_{Berg}^{qc} - P_{sacw}^{qc} - P_{g.gacw}^{qc}$$
 (a3)

773 
$$S_c^N = P_{c.act}^{Nc} - P_{c.auto}^{Nc} - P_{racw}^{Nc} - P_{c.frz\_hom}^{Nc} - P_{c.frz\_het}^{Nc} - P_{Berg}^{Nc} - P_{sacw}^{Nc} - P_{g.gacw}^{Nc}$$
(a4)

774 
$$S_r^q = P_{c.auto}^{qc} + P_{racw}^{qc} - P_{r.fallout}^{qr} - P_{sacr}^{qr} - P_{r.frz\_hom}^{qr} - P_{r.frz\_het}^{qr} - P_{g.gacr}^{qr}$$
 (a5)

775 
$$S_r^N = P_{c.auto}^{Nc} - P_{r.fallout}^{Nr} - P_{r.agg}^{Nr} - P_{sacr}^{Nr} - P_{r.frz\_hom}^{Nr} - P_{r.frz\_het}^{Nr} - P_{g.gacr}^{Nr}$$
(a6)

776 
$$S_i^q = P_{i.dep}^{qi} + P_{c.frz\_hom}^{qc} + P_{c.frz\_het}^{qc} + P_{Berg}^{qc} - P_{i.auto}^{qi} - P_{saci}^{qi} - P_{i.fallout}^{qi}$$
 (a7)

777 
$$S_i^N = P_{i.nul}^{Ni} + P_{c.frz\_hom}^{Nc} + P_{c.frz\_het}^{Nc} - P_{i.auto}^{Ni} - P_{saci}^{Ni} - P_{i.fallout}^{Ni}$$
(a8)

778 
$$S_{s}^{q} = P_{i.auto}^{qi} + P_{saci}^{qi} + P_{sacw}^{qc} + P_{sacr}^{qr} - P_{s.fallout}^{qs} - P_{g.sacw}^{qs} - P_{g.sacr}^{qs} - P_{g.racs}^{qs} - P_{g.racs}^{qs}$$
(a9)

779 
$$S_s^N = P_{i.auto}^{Ni} - P_{s.agg}^{Ns} - P_{s.fallout}^{Ns} - P_{g.sacw}^{Ns} - P_{g.sacr}^{Ns}$$
 (a10)

$$S_{g}^{q} = P_{g.sacw}^{qs} + P_{scng}^{qs} + P_{g.sacr}^{qs} + P_{g.racs}^{qs} + P_{r.frz\_hom}^{qr} + P_{r.frz\_het}^{qr} + P_{g.gacw}^{qc} + P_{g.gacr}^{qr} - P_{g.fallout}^{qg}$$
(a11)

782 
$$S_g^N = P_{g.sacw}^{Ns} + P_{g.sacr}^{Ns} + P_{r.frz\_hom}^{Nr} + P_{r.frz\_het}^{Nr} - P_{g.fallout}^{Ng}$$
(a12)

783 The source terms of rimed ice hydrometeor include (1) conversion of accretion of cloud liquid by snow to rimed ice  $(P_{g.sacw})$ , (2) accretion of rain by snow  $(P_{g.sacr})$ , (3) collection of 784 snow by rain  $(P_{g.racs})$ , (4) homogeneous and (5) heterogeneous freezing of rain water  $(P_{r.frz\_hom})$ 785 786 and  $P_{r.frz\_het}$ ), and (6)-(7) accretion of rimed ice with cloud liquid/rain water ( $P_{g.gacw}/P_{g.gacr}$ ). The sink term for rimed ice hydrometeors is sedimentation ( $P_{g.fallout}$ ). Note that the accretion of 787 cloud liquid by snow  $(P_{sacw})$ , the accretion of rain by snow  $(P_{sacr})$ , and homogeneous and 788 heterogeneous freezing of raindrops  $(P_{r.frz\_hom}^{qr}, P_{r.frz\_het}^{qr})$  are already considered in the default 789 790 SZ11 scheme as source terms in the snow budget equation but are now adjusted to serve as 791 source terms for the snow and rimed ice budget equations. Modifications have been accordingly 792 applied to the snow budget equation. For instance, a part of the collected cloud water by snow  $(P_{sacw}^{qc})$  now contributes to the production of rimed ice  $(P_{g.sacw}^{qs})$  and the remainder contributes to 793 the production of snow itself  $(P_{sacw}^{qc} - P_{g.sacw}^{qs})$ . Additionally, two new processes (i.e., accretion 794 of cloud liquid  $P_{g.gacw}$  and rainwater  $P_{g.gacr}$  by rimed ice) neglected in the default SZ11 scheme 795 796 are introduced into the model. The modifications have also been applied to the cloud liquid and 797 rain mass mixing ratio and number concentration budget equations. Rimed ice increases by 798 collecting cloud ice and snow is not currently included in this work because the collection 799 efficiency between two solid species is small and riming (e.g., the accretion by rimed ice of rain 800 and cloud liquid) is the dominant process for rimed ice formation and growth. Collisions
801 between rain and cloud ice, between cloud liquid and cloud ice, and self-collection of cloud ice802 are neglected for simplicity.

Rimed ice has been represented by the inverse exponential distribution ( $\mu = 0$ ) in most previous modeling studies (e.g., Gettelman et al., 2019; Ikawa and Saito, 1990; Lin et al., 1983; Reisner et al., 1998), we use a prescribed non-zero shape parameter  $\mu_g$  of 3 in this study. The general form of the spectral slope and intercept parameters  $\lambda_g$  and  $N_{0g}$  derived from  $q_g$  and  $N_g$ are as follows:

808 
$$\lambda_g = \left[\frac{a_{mg}N_g\Gamma(b_{mg}+\mu_g+1)}{q_g\Gamma(\mu_g+1)}\right]^{1/b_{mg}}$$
(a13)

809 
$$N_{0g} = \frac{N_g \lambda_g^{\mu g^{+1}}}{\Gamma(\mu_g + 1)}$$
(a14)

810  $a_{mg}$  and  $b_{mg}$  are the parameters in the mass-diameter power-law relationship  $M(D_g) = a_{mg}D^{b_{mg}}\rho_g$ . Following Morrison et al. (2009), upper and lower bounds for the slope parameter 812  $\lambda_g$  are specified so that the mean hydrometer diameter cannot be larger than 2000 or smaller than 813 20  $\mu m$  for rimed ice.  $\lambda_g$  is prevented from exceeding these bounds by adjusting the number 814 concentration in Eq. (a13). The rest of the scheme, where it is not directly related to rimed ice 815 microphysics, remains the same as the default SZ11 scheme unless further specified.

Mass mixing ratio and number concentration budget equations for cloud liquid, cloud ice, rain and snow from the default SZ11 scheme are given in Appendix C. Readers are recommended to compare the new budget equations [i.e., Eq. a(3)-a(12)] with the default ones [i.e., Eq. c(1)-c(8)] (without rimed ice microphysics).

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## (b) Production terms for rimed ice

The general continuous collection growth equations, where the collector (species x, subscript x) and collected particle (species y, subscript y) size spectra are represented by gamma distribution function, are given by:

$$P_{xacy}^{qy} = \frac{1}{\rho_a} \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi (D_x + D_y)^2 (V_{tx} - V_{ty}) (\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a})^{\frac{1}{2}} M(D_y) E_{xy} N_{Tx} N_{Ty}}{4\Gamma(\mu_x + 1)\Gamma(\mu_y + 1)}$$

824 
$$\times \lambda_x^{\mu_x+1} \lambda_y^{\mu_y+1} D_x^{\mu_x} D_y^{\mu_y} \exp(-\lambda_x D_x) \exp(-\lambda_y D_y) dD_x dD_y$$

825 
$$= \frac{\pi}{4} a_{my} E_{xy} N_{0x} N_{0y} \Delta \overline{V_m} \left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\rho_y}{\rho_a} \left[\frac{\Gamma(3+\mu_x)\Gamma(1+\mu_y+b_{my})}{\lambda_x^{3+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{1+\mu_y+b_{my}}} + \frac{2\Gamma(2+\mu_x)\Gamma(2+\mu_y+b_{my})}{\lambda_x^{2+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{2+\mu_y+b_{my}}} + \frac{2\Gamma(2+\mu_x)\Gamma(2+\mu_y+b_{my})}{\lambda_x^{2+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{2+\mu_y+b_{my}}}\right]$$

826 
$$\frac{\Gamma(1+\mu_x)\Gamma(3+\mu_y+b_{my})}{\lambda_x^{1+\mu_x}\lambda_y^{3+\mu_y+b_{my}}}$$
(b1)

$$P_{xacy}^{Ny} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi (D_x + D_y)^2 (V_{tx} - V_{ty}) (\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a})^{\frac{1}{2}} E_{xy} N_{Tx} N_{Ty}}{4\Gamma(\mu_x + 1)\Gamma(\mu_y + 1)}$$

827 
$$\times \lambda_x^{\mu_x+1} \lambda_y^{\mu_y+1} D_x^{\mu_x} D_y^{\mu_y} \exp(-\lambda_x D_x) \exp(-\lambda_y D_y) dD_x dD_y$$

$$828 = \frac{\pi}{4} E_{xy} N_{0x} N_{0y} \Delta \overline{V}_n \left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(3+\mu_x)\Gamma(1+\mu_y)}{\lambda_x^{3+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{1+\mu_y}} + \frac{2\Gamma(2+\mu_x)\Gamma(2+\mu_y)}{\lambda_x^{2+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{2+\mu_y}} + \frac{\Gamma(1+\mu_x)\Gamma(3+\mu_y)}{\lambda_x^{1+\mu_x} \lambda_y^{3+\mu_y}} \right]$$
(b2)

829  $P_{xacy}^{qy}, P_{xacy}^{Ny}$  are the tendency terms of accretion of species y by species x in terms of mass mixing 830 ratio and number concentration, respectively.  $V_t$  is the terminal velocity.  $\left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is the air density 831 correction term, as used in Lin et al. (1983), to allow for increasing fall speeds with increasing 832 altitude (decreasing air density).  $\rho_0$  is the reference air density and  $\rho_a$  is the air density. Some 833 studies (e.g., Reisner et al., 1998) do not consider the air density correction term while other 834 studies use different correction formulae, e.g.,  $\left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{0.54}$  from Heymsfield et al. (2007) is used in

SZ11.  $E_{xy}$  is the collection efficiency.  $N_T$  is the total number concentration.  $\lambda$  is the spectral 835 836 slope parameter,  $\mu$  is the shape parameter, and  $N_0$  is the intercept parameter of the gamma distribution.  $M(D_y) = a_{my} D_y^{b_{my}} \rho_y$  represents the mass of a single particle y.  $\rho_y$  is the density of 837 838 particle y. The value of terminal velocity difference in the double integral makes integration very 839 difficult (Wisner et al., 1972). Therefore, Mizuno (1990), Murakami (1990) and Wisner et al. 840 (1972) simplified the integration of the general collection equations. Assumed to be independent 841 of diameter, the mass- and number-weighted terminal velocity for each of species x and y are computed and taken outside the double integral. For example,  $\Delta \overline{V_m} = |V_{mx} - V_{my}|$  and  $\Delta \overline{V_n} =$ 842  $|V_{nx} - V_{ny}|$  follows Wisner et al. (1972). A similar idea was applied in Mizuno (1990) and 843 844 Murakami (1990) except for a more complex form. Processes of collision between rain and snow 845 and collection of snow by rain in Ikawa and Saito (1990), Reisner et al. (1998), Gettelman et al. (2019) and SZ11 use the representation of  $\Delta \overline{V_m}$  from Mizuno (1990). 846

847 Starting from the general continuous collection equations, we derive production terms for848 rimed ice below.

849 The increase (decrease) in  $q_s(q_c)$  due to accretion of cloud droplets by snow is given as

850 
$$P_{sacw}^{qc} = \frac{\pi a_{vs} \rho_a q_c E_{cs} N_{0s} \Gamma(b_{vs} + 3)}{4\lambda_s^{b_{vs} + 3}}$$
(b3)

and the decrease in  $N_c$  is given as

852 
$$P_{sacw}^{Nc} = \frac{\pi a_{vs} \rho_a N_c E_{cs} N_{0s} \Gamma(b_{vs}+3)}{4\lambda_s^{b_{vs}+3}}$$
(b4)

This is derived by assuming that  $D_s \gg D_c$ ,  $V_{ts} \gg V_{tc}$ , and  $V_{ts} = a_{\nu s} D^{b_{\nu s}}$ , which is used in Thompson et al. (2004), MG08, and SZ11, and many others.  $E_{cs}$  is the collection efficiency for droplet-snow collision and is calculated based on the Stokes number dependent on the mean radii of the cloud droplets and snow, following MG08. The amount of rime on snow converted to
rimed ice is written below following the derivation from Ikawa and Saito (1990)

858 
$$P_{g.sacw}^{qs} = \Delta t \frac{_{3\rho_0 \pi N_{0s}(\rho_a q_c)^2 E_{cs}^2 a_{vs}^2 \Gamma(2b_{vs}+2)}}{_{\rho_a(\rho_g - \rho_s) \lambda_s^{2b_{vs}+2}}}$$
(b5)

859 
$$P_{g.sacw}^{Ns} = 8\Delta t \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a} \left[ \frac{3\pi a_{vs} \rho_a q_c E_{cs}}{2(\rho_g - \rho_s)} \right]^2 \frac{N_{0s}}{\lambda_s}$$
(b6)

 $\Delta$ t is time step. equation (b5) is derived by integrating the dispatcher function and riming growth of snow over the entire size distribution spectrum. The purpose of the dispatch function is to specify the portion of the accreted cloud water to be converted to graupel (see Ikawa and Saito, 1990 for more details). The increase of graupel number concentration by riming of snow is given in equation (b6) integrating the probability for a snow particle of diameter *D* to be converted into a graupel particle and the number concentration of snow particle over the entire size distribution spectrum (see Ikawa and Saito, 1990 for more details).

867 The amount of snow converted to rimed ice as embryo is written below following Ikawa and868 Saito (1990)

869 
$$P_{scng}^{qs} = \frac{\rho_s}{\rho_g - \rho_s} P_{g.sacw}^{qs}$$
(b7)

870 Production of rimed ice through collection of cloud droplets by rimed ice is given as

871 
$$P_{g.gacw}^{qc} = \frac{\pi a_{vg} \rho_a q_c E_{cg} N_{0g} \Gamma(b_{vg} + \mu_g + 3)}{4\lambda_g^{b_{vg} + \mu_g + 3}}$$
(b8)

872 
$$P_{g.gacw}^{Nc} = \frac{\pi a_{vg} \rho_a N_c E_{cg} N_{0g} \Gamma(b_{vg} + \mu_g + 3)}{4\lambda_g^{b_{vg} + \mu_g + 3}}$$
(b9)

This is derived by assuming that  $D_g \gg D_c$ ,  $V_{tg} \gg V_{tc}$ , and  $V_{tg} = a_{vg}D^{b_{vg}}$ .  $E_{cg}$  is the collection efficiency for droplet-graupel collision and is assumed to be unity. Equation (b8) differs from that in Lin et al. (1983) (their Eq. 40) and Reisner et al. (1998) (their Eq. A.59) only in the consideration of the shape parameter of rimed ice. We also derive the change of number

- 877 concentration of cloud droplets due to collection [Eq. (b9)] based on the geometric sweeping out
- 878 concept.
- 879 Production of rimed ice through collection of rain water by rimed ice is given as:

$$880 \qquad P_{g.gacr}^{qr} = \frac{\pi^2}{4} E_{gr} N_{0g} N_{0r} \Delta \overline{V_m} \left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\rho_w}{\rho_a} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(3+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{3+\mu_g} \lambda_r^4} + \frac{8\Gamma(2+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{2+\mu_g} \lambda_r^5} + \frac{20\Gamma(1+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{1+\mu_g} \lambda_r^6} \right]$$
(b10)

881 
$$P_{g.gacr}^{Nr} = \frac{\pi}{4} E_{gr} N_{0g} N_{0r} \Delta \overline{V_n} \left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(3+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{3+\mu_g} \lambda_r} + \frac{2\Gamma(2+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{2+\mu_g} \lambda_r^2} + \frac{2\Gamma(1+\mu_g)}{\lambda_g^{1+\mu_g} \lambda_r^3} \right]$$
(b11)

This is derived by assuming that raindrops are spherical.  $E_{gr}$  is the collection efficiency for raindrop-graupel collision and assumed to be unity. We set  $\Delta \overline{V_m} = |V_{mg} - V_{mr}|$  and  $\Delta \overline{V_n} =$  $|V_{ng} - V_{nr}|$  following Wisner et al. (1972).

## 885 Collection of rain by snow as well as collection of snow by rain are as follows

886 
$$P_{sacr}^{qr} = \pi^2 E_{sr} N_{0s} N_{0r} \Delta \overline{V_m} \frac{\rho_w}{\rho_a} \left[ \frac{0.5}{\lambda_s^2 \lambda_r^4} + \frac{2}{\lambda_s^2 \lambda_r^5} + \frac{5}{\lambda_s \lambda_r^6} \right]$$
(b12)

887 
$$P_{sacr}^{Nr} = \frac{\pi}{2} E_{sr} N_{0s} N_{0r} \Delta \overline{V_n} \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda_s^3 \lambda_r} + \frac{1}{\lambda_s^2 \lambda_r^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_s \lambda_r^3} \right]$$
(b13)

888 
$$P_{racs}^{qs} = \frac{\pi}{4} a_{ms} E_{sr} N_{0s} N_{0r} \Delta \overline{V_m} \frac{\rho_s}{\rho_a} \left[ \frac{2\Gamma(1+b_{ms})}{\lambda_r^3 \lambda_s^{1+b_{ms}}} + \frac{2\Gamma(2+b_{ms})}{\lambda_r^2 \lambda_s^{2+b_{ms}}} + \frac{\Gamma(3+b_{ms})}{\lambda_r \lambda_s^{3+b_{ms}}} \right]$$
(b14)

889  $P_{sacr}^{qr}$  and  $P_{sacr}^{Nr}$  are derived by assuming spherical raindrops.  $E_{sr}$  is the collection efficiency 890 for raindrop-snow collision and is assumed to be unity. In calculating  $P_{racs}^{qs}$ , the parameters  $(a_{ms}, b_{ms})$  in the snow mass-diameter relationship are kept in the general form.  $\Delta \overline{V_m} = [(1.2V_{mr} - 0.95V_{ms})^2 + 0.08V_{mr}V_{ms}]^{0.5}$ ,  $\Delta \overline{V_n} = [1.7(V_{mr} - V_{ms})^2 + 0.3V_{mr}V_{ms}]^{0.5}$  following Mizuno 893 (1990), as in Gettelman et al. (2019) and Reisner et al. (1998).

Production of rimed ice through collection of rain by snow as well as collection of snow by
rain following Ikawa and Saito (1990) and Reisner et al. (1998) is as follows

$$896 \qquad P_{g.sacr}^{qs} = (1 - \alpha)P_{sacr}^{qr} \tag{b15}$$

$$897 \quad P_{a,sacr}^{Ns} = (1 - \alpha) P_{sacr}^{Nr} \tag{b16}$$

898 
$$P_{g,racs}^{qs} = (1 - \alpha)P_{racs}^{qs}$$
 (b17)

899 
$$\alpha = \frac{\rho_s^2(\frac{4}{\lambda_s})^6}{\rho_s^2(\frac{4}{\lambda_s})^6 + \rho_w^2(\frac{4}{\lambda_r})^6}$$
(b18)

## Appendix C – Microphysics budget equations from SZ11

901 Equations c1-c8 below are the mass mixing ratio and number concentration budget equations 3-902 10 in Song and Zhang (2011). Here we use different symbols from SZ11 to be consistent with 903 the budget equations in this work. Note that there are a few typos in the budget equations 4, 8 904 and 10 in Song and Zhang (2011). For instance, there should be a number change of cloud liquid droplets due to the Bergeron process  $(P_{Berg}^{Nc})$  but this term is not included in their equation 4, and 905 there should not be a number change of rain due to accretion with cloud water  $(P_{accr}^{Nc})$  and of 906 snow due to accretion with cloud ice, cloud water and rain  $(P_{accs}^{Ni}, P_{accs}^{Nc}, P_{accs}^{Nr})$  but these terms are 907 908 written in their equations 8 and 10. We have corrected the budget equations (see our c4 and c8 909 equations) here.

910 
$$S_c^q = P_{c.cond}^{qc} - P_{c.auto}^{qc} - P_{racw}^{qc} - P_{c.frz\_hom}^{qc} - P_{c.frz\_het}^{qc} - P_{Berg}^{qc} - P_{sacw}^{qc}$$
 (c1)

911 
$$S_c^N = P_{c.act}^{Nc} - P_{c.auto}^{Nc} - P_{racw}^{Nc} - P_{c.frz\_hom}^{Nc} - P_{c.frz_{het}}^{Nc} - P_{sacw}^{Nc} - P_{Berg}^{Nc}$$
 (c2)

912 
$$S_r^q = P_{c.auto}^{qc} + P_{racw}^{qc} - P_{r.fallout}^{qr} - P_{sacr}^{qr} - P_{r.frz\_hom}^{qr} - P_{r.frz\_het}^{qr}$$
(c3)

913 
$$S_r^N = P_{c.auto}^{Nc} - P_{r.fallout}^{Nr} - P_{r.agg}^{Nr} - P_{sacr}^{Nr} - P_{r.frz\_hom}^{Nr} - P_{r.frz\_het}^{Nr}$$
(c4)

914 
$$S_i^q = P_{i.dep}^{qi} + P_{c.frz\_hom}^{qc} + P_{c.frz\_het}^{qc} + P_{Berg}^{qc} - P_{i.auto}^{qi} - P_{saci}^{qi}$$
 (c5)

915 
$$S_i^N = P_{i.nul}^{Ni} + P_{c.frz\_hom}^{Nc} + P_{c.frz\_het}^{Nc} - P_{i.auto}^{Ni} - P_{saci}^{Ni}$$
 (c6)

916 
$$S_s^q = P_{i.auto}^{qi} + P_{saci}^{qi} + P_{sacw}^{qc} + P_{sacr}^{qr} - P_{s.fallout}^{qs} + P_{r.frz\_hom}^{qr} + P_{r.frz\_het}^{qr}$$
 (c7)

917 
$$S_s^N = P_{i.auto}^{Ni} - P_{s.agg}^{Ns} - P_{s.fallout}^{Ns} + P_{r.frz\_hom}^{Nr} + P_{r.frz\_het}^{Nr}$$
(c8)

918 Note that the Song and Zhang (2011) water budget equations (Eq c1-c8) omit explicit terms for 919 snow melting and rain evaporation. Convective cloud microphysics is dealing with 920 microphysical processes in the saturated updrafts. Cloud microphysics in unsaturated downdrafts 921 has not been included. Instead, Rain evaporation is handled based on the Sundqvist (1988) 922 scheme in the ZM95 convection scheme outside the SZ11 convective cloud microphysics when 923 precipitation particles fall out of the saturated updrafts. Regarding snow melting, it is also not 924 treated in the SZ11 cloud microphysics scheme because all microphysical processes in a 925 convective framework are integrated from bottom to top following updraft flows. Snow, whose 926 vertical profile is provided by SZ11 convective microphysics, is transported top-down in the 927 ZM95 convection scheme into a warm environment to melt.

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## **Appendix D** – *List of symbols*

In the following, SZ11 refers to Song and Zhang (2011), R98 to Reisner et al., (1998), L83 to Lin et al., (1983), IS90 to Ikawa and Saito (1990), EL17 to Elsaesser et al., (2017). Note that even though we direct readers to specific publications below, it does not necessarily mean that the expressions are directly developed or derived from that publications. Readers are recommended to refer to specific publications for more details on the origin of the parameters and expressions.

|  | Notation       | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
|  | a              | Parameter in $V_t = a_s D^{b_s}$ for snow; used in microphysical processes except |  |  |  |  |
|  | u <sub>s</sub> | sedimentation. $a_s = 11.72m^{1-b_s}s^{-1}$                                       |  |  |  |  |
|  | h              | Parameter in $V_t = a_s D^{b_s}$ for snow; used in microphysical processes except |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\nu_{s}$      | sedimentation. $b_s = 0.41$   |  |  |  |  |

| -          | Parameter in $V_t = a_g D^{b_g}$ for rimed ice; used in microphysical processes except |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| $a_g$      | sedimentation. $a_g = 19.3 \ m^{1-b_g} s^{-1}$   |  |  |  |  |  |
| h          | Parameter in $V_t = a_g D^{b_g}$ for rimed ice; used in microphysical processes except |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dg         | sedimentation. $b_g = 0.37$  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Q          | Parameter in the XReICE sedimentation parameterization for cloud ice; used only in     |  |  |  |  |  |
| ui         | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ßi         | Parameter in the XReICE sedimentation parameterization for cloud ice; used only in     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ρί         | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\alpha_s$ | Parameter in the EL17 sedimentation parameterization for snow; used only in            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5          | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ßs         | Parameter in the EL17 sedimentation parameterization for snow; used only in            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13         | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a          | Parameter in the EL17 sedimentation parameterization for rimed ice; used only in       |  |  |  |  |  |
| ug         | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ß          | Parameter in the EL17 sedimentation parameterization for rimed ice; used only in       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pg         | sedimentation. See Table 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $ ho_i$    | Bulk density of cloud ice = $500 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $ ho_s$    | Bulk density of snow = $100 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$   |  |  |  |  |  |
| $ ho_g$    | Bulk density of rimed ice = $500 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mu_g$    | Shape parameter of rimed ice $(= 3)$ in the gamma distribution                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| $q_c$      | Mass mixing ratio of cloud water   |  |  |  |  |  |
| $q_i$      | Mass mixing ratio of cloud ice   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |  |  |  |

- $q_r$  Mass mixing ratio of rain
- $q_s$  Mass mixing ratio of snow
- $q_g$  Mass mixing ratio of rimed ice
- *N<sub>c</sub>* Number concentration of cloud water
- $N_i$  Number concentration of cloud ice
- $N_r$  Number concentration of rain
- $N_s$  Number concentration of snow
- $N_g$  Number concentration of rimed ice
- $P_{c.act}^{Nc}$  Generation rate of  $N_c$  by activation on aerosol (SZ11)

 $P_{c.auto}^{Nc}$  Depletion rate of  $N_c$  by cloud water autoconversion to rain (SZ11)

- $P_{c.auto}^{qc}$  Generation (depletion) rate of  $q_r(q_c)$  by cloud water autoconversion to rain (SZ11)
- $P_{Berg}^{qc}$  Generation (depletion) rate of  $q_i(q_c)$  by Bergeron-Findeisen process (SZ11)
- $P_{c.cond}^{qc}$  Generation rate of  $q_c$  by condensation (SZ11)
- $P_{c.frz\_het}^{qc}$  Depletion (generation) rate of  $q_c(q_i)$  by cloud water heterogeneous freezing (SZ11)
- $P_{c.frz\_het}^{Nc}$  Depletion (generation) rate of  $N_c(N_i)$  by cloud water heterogeneous freezing (SZ11)
- $P_{c.frz\_hom}^{qc}$  Depletion (generation) rate of  $q_c(q_i)$  by cloud water homogeneous freezing (SZ11)
- $P_{c.frz\_hom}^{Nc}$  Depletion (generation) rate of  $N_c(N_i)$  by cloud water homogeneous freezing (SZ11)
- $P_{g.gacw}^{Nc}$  Depletion rate of  $N_c$  by accretion of cloud water by rimed ice (this study, see Eq. b9)

$$P_{g.gacw}^{qc}$$
 Generation rate of  $q_g$  by accretion of cloud water (this study, see Eq. b8)

- $P_{racw}^{Nc}$  Depletion rate of  $N_c$  by accretion of cloud water with rain (SZ11)
- $P_{racw}^{qc}$  Generation (depletion) rate of  $q_r(q_c)$  by accretion (SZ11)
- $P_{sacw}^{Nc}$  Depletion rate of  $N_c$  by accretion of cloud water with snow (SZ11)

| $P_{sacw}^{qc}$        | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_s(q_c)$ by accretion (SZ11)                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| $P_{r.agg}^{Nr}$       | Depletion rate of $N_r$ due to self-collection of raindrops (SZ11)                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{r.fallout}^{qr}$   | Depletion rate of $q_r$ due to fallout (SZ11)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{r.fallout}^{Nr}$   | Depletion rate of $N_r$ due to fallout (SZ11)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $D^{qr}$               | Depletion (generation) rate of $q_r$ ( $q_g$ ) by rain heterogeneous freezing (SZ11-   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup>I</sup> r.frz_het | modified to be source of $q_g$ in this study)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DNr                    | Depletion (generation) rate of $N_r$ ( $N_g$ ) by rain heterogeneous freezing (SZ11-   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> r.frz_het | modified to be source of $N_g$ in this study)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $D^{qr}$               | Depletion (generation) rate of $q_r(q_g)$ by rain homogeneous freezing (SZ11-modified  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| r.frz_hom              | to be source of $q_g$ in this study)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DNr                    | Depletion (generation) rate of $N_r$ ( $N_g$ ) by rain homogeneous freezing (SZ11-     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup>I</sup> r.frz_hom | modified to be source of $N_g$ in this study)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{g.gacr}^{Nr}$      | Depletion rate of $N_r$ by accretion of rain by rimed ice (this study, see Eq. b11)    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{g.gacr}^{qr}$      | Generation rate of $q_g$ by accretion of rain (this study, see Eq. b10)                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P <sup>qs</sup>        | Generation rate of $q_g$ by that portion of collected snow by rain which is converted  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> g.racs    | into rimed ice (R98)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{sacr}^{Nr}$        | Depletion rate of $N_r$ by accretion of rain with snow (SZ11)                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{sacr}^{qr}$        | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_s(q_r)$ by accretion (SZ11)                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{i.auto}^{Ni}$      | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_s(q_i)$ by cloud ice autoconversion to snow (SZ11)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{i.auto}^{qi}$      | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_s(q_i)$ by cloud ice autoconversion to snow (SZ11)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D <sup>qs</sup>        | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_g(q_s)$ due to the collection of cloud water by snow |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| r <sub>scng</sub>      | (R98, originally IS90)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| $P_{i.nul}^{Ni}$             | Generation rate of $N_i$ by ice nucleation (SZ11)                                     |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| $P_{i.dep}^{qi}$             | Generation rate of $q_i$ by deposition (SZ11)   |  |  |  |  |
| P <sup>qi</sup><br>I.fallout | Depletion rate of $q_i$ due to fallout (this study, XReICE)                           |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{i.fallout}^{Ni}$         | Depletion rate of $N_i$ due to fallout (this study, XReICE)                           |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{saci}^{qi}$              | Generation (depletion) rate of $q_s(q_i)$ by accretion of cloud ice (SZ11)            |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{saci}^{Ni}$              | Depletion rate of $N_i$ by accretion of cloud ice by snow (SZ11)                      |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{s.agg}^{Ns}$             | Depletion rate of $N_s$ due to self-collection of snow particles (SZ11)               |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{s.fallout}^{Ns}$         | Depletion rate of $N_s$ due to fallout (EL17)   |  |  |  |  |
| $P^{qs}_{s.fallout}$         | Depletion rate of $q_s$ due to fallout (EL17)   |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{g.sacr}^{Ns}$            | Generation rate of $N_g$ by collision between rain and snow (R98, see Eq. b16)        |  |  |  |  |
| D <sup>qs</sup>              | Generation rate of $q_g$ by that portion of collected rain by snow which is converted |  |  |  |  |
| г <sub>g.sacr</sub>          | into rimed ice (R98, see Eq. b15)   |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{g.sacw}^{Ns}$            | Generation rate of $N_g$ by collision between cloud water and snow (R98, see Eq. b6)  |  |  |  |  |
| م <sup>qs</sup>              | Generation rate of $q_g$ by that portion of collected cloud water by snow which is    |  |  |  |  |
| Г <sub>g.sacw</sub>          | converted into rimed ice (R98, see Eq. b5)  |  |  |  |  |
| $P_{g.fallout}^{Ng}$         | Depletion rate of $N_g$ due to fallout (EL17)   |  |  |  |  |
| P <sup>qg</sup><br>g.fallout | Depletion rate of $q_g$ due to fallout (EL17)   |  |  |  |  |
| Appendix E                   |   |  |  |  |  |
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937 Table E1. EL17 coefficients for convective snow and rimed ice.

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 $V_m$  coefficients

|                |  | Convecti           | ive snow <sup>1</sup>                        |                            | Rimed ice <sup>2</sup> |               |                               |            |
|----------------|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|------------|
|                | <i>V</i> <sub><i>m</i>1</sub>  | $V_{m2}$           | $V_{m3}$                                     | $V_{m4}$                   | $V_{m1}$               | $V_{m2}$      | <i>V</i> <sub><i>m</i>3</sub> | $V_{m4}$   |
|                | -3.137   | 0.022              | 0.084  | -0.246                     | -3.329                 | 0.025         | 0.189                         | -0.244     |
| 38<br>39<br>40 | <sup>1</sup> see Ta  | ble 1 of Elsa      | esser et al. (2                              | 2017). <sup>2</sup> see te | ext in section         | 2.2.1 for de  | tails.                        |            |
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Table 1. Prefactor ( $\alpha$ ) and exponential factor ( $\beta$ ) for the terminal velocity-diameter power-law relationships  $Vt = \alpha D^{\beta}$ .

|                                 | α  | β                               |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| <sup>1</sup> Cloud ice (XReICE) | $0.0446\nu^{-1}\left(\frac{8ag}{\rho_a\pi}\right)$                   | <i>b</i> – 1                    |
| Snow (EL17)                     | $\alpha_{Deq\_snow}(\frac{6a}{\pi\rho_w})^{\beta_{Deq\_snow}/3}$     | $\frac{\beta_{Deq\_snow}b}{3}$  |
| Rimed ice (EL17)                | $\alpha_{Deq\_rimed} (\frac{6a}{\pi \rho_w})^{\beta_{Deq\_rimed}/3}$ | $\frac{\beta_{Deq\_rimed}b}{3}$ |

<sup>1</sup>see Appendix A for detailed mathematical derivation to obtain  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in the *X*-*Re*  $V_t$  parameterization.

 $\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity of air. *a* and *b* are the coefficients of the m =  $aD^b$  relationships (see text for detail).  $\rho_a$  and  $\rho_w$  are the density of air and water, respectively. *g* is the gravitational acceleration.  $\alpha_{Deq}$  and  $\beta_{Deq}$  are the coefficients in the terminal velocity-melted equivalent

diameter power-law relationship, which are dependent on environmental conditions (see EL17 for detailed calculation). Since the EL17 scheme is developed in melted equivalent diameter space, conversion between melted equivalent diameter and maximum dimension is made for a comparison with other schemes developed in the maximum diameter space.

Table 2. Observed and simulated total, convective and stratiform mean rain rates (mm hr<sup>-1</sup>) at the Darwin site during the active monsoon period (12 Z 19 - 12 Z 25 January 2006). The observational uncertainties with the lower and upper bounds are shown in the parentheses. The percentage contributions of convective and stratiform precipitation to the total are also given in the parentheses.

|                  | Total               | Convective          | Stratiform          |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| OBS <sup>1</sup> | 1.077 (0.764-1.566) | 0.668 (0.523-0.858) | 0.409 (0.241-0.708) |
|                  |                     | (62%)               | (38%)               |
| CTRL             | 1.094               | 0.698 (64%)         | 0.396 (36%)         |
| XReICE_EL17      | 1.116               | 0.709 (64%)         | 0.406 (36%)         |
| XReICE_EL17_rime | 1.109               | 0.712 (64%)         | 0.397 (36%)         |
| Conv_snow_detr   | 1.109               | 0.696 (63%)         | 0.413 (37%)         |

<sup>1</sup> Observed total, convective and stratiform precipitation is estimated from Varble et al. (2011) by converting the volumetric rainfall rate to domain-mean values.



Figure 1. Schematic diagram of the microphysical processes considered in the convective clouds microphysics scheme. The processes originally treated in Song and Zhang (2011) are shown in black. New and modified processes are shown in blue. See text for more details.



Figure 2. Cloud hydrometeor terminal velocity ( $V_t$ -D) (cm s<sup>-1</sup>) for cloud ice crystals (a), snow particles (b) and rimed ice hydrometeors (c) as a function of particle maximum dimension (µm), at 500 hPa and -5 °C. The new schemes implemented in the model are the XReICE for cloud ice (XReICE-ice) and EL17 for snow and rimed ice (EL17-0.05/EL17-0.5) using a snow/rimed ice mixing ratio of 0.05 and 0.5 g kg<sup>-1</sup>. The other schemes (e.g., MG08-ice:  $V_t = 700D$ ; SZ11-snow:  $V_t = 11.72D^{0.41}$ ; Hail:  $V_t = 114.5D^{0.5}$ ; Graupel:  $V_t = 19.3D^{0.37}$ ; all these equations, D are in meter) that are widely used in cloud models (e.g., stratiform cloud scheme, Morrison and Gettelman, 2008; Gettelman et al., 2019 and many others) are also shown for comparison. HW10 is the *X-Re* terminal velocity parameterization considering particle area ratio (Heymsfield and Westbrook, 2010); MG08-ice is the cloud ice terminal velocity parameterization used in Morrison and Gettelman (2008); Hail and graupel *Vt-D* relationships are from Matson and Huggins (1980) and Locatelli and Hobbs (1974), respectively.



Figure 3. Vertical profiles of convective (a) cloud ice, (b) snow and (c) rimed ice mass-weighted terminal velocity averaged over the active monsoon period.



Figure 4. Time-series of (a) total, (b) convective and (c) stratiform precipitation rates (mm hr<sup>-1</sup>) from observation and CTRL simulations during the TWP-ICE campaign, and (d)-(f) the corresponding differences between other experiments and CTRL.



Figure 5. Vertical profiles of total frozen water content (FWC) (sum of convective and stratiform FWC) averaged over the active monsoon period.



Figure 6. Time-height cross-sections of convective (left) and stratiform (right) frozen water

content (FWC) during the TWP-ICE active monsoon period from the CTRL (a-b),

XReICE\_EL17 (c-d), XReICE\_EL17\_rime (e-f) and Conv\_snow\_detr (g-h) simulations.



Figure 7. Vertical profiles of upper tropospheric total frozen water content (FWC) (sum of convective and stratiform FWC) averaged over the active monsoon period. Black dashed curve denotes Microwave Limb Sounder (MLS) observations.



Figure 8. Vertical profiles of detrained ice mass mixing ratio (left) and number concentration (right) averaged over the active monsoon period (22-25 January 2006) from the XReICE\_EL17\_rime (black curve) and Conv\_snow\_detr (red curve) simulations.



Figure 9. Time-height cross-section of detrained ice mass mixing ratio (top) and number concentration (bottom) from XReICE\_EL17\_rime (a-b) and Conv\_snow\_detr (c-d) simulations.


Figure 10. Top of the atmosphere (TOA) outgoing longwave radiation (OLR) for the CTRL (blue curve) and Conv\_snow\_detr (red curve) simulations, and from observations (black curve) during the active monsoon period.



Figure 11. Time-pressure cross-section of temperature differences (left) and specific humidity differences (right) between (a, b) CTRL and observations, (c, d) XReICE\_EL17 and CTRL, (e, f) XReICE\_EL17\_rime and CTRL, and (g, h) Conv\_snow\_detr and CTRL.



Figure 12. Normalized cumulative frequency by altitude diagram (CFAD) histograms of convective updraft vertical velocity at the Darwin site, Australia, from (a) radar wind profiler (RWP) data, (b) the control model (CTRL) simulation, (c) the Conv\_snow\_detr simulation, (d) the control simulation but with a removal of the 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> upper bound in SZ11, (e) the control simulation but with a removal of the 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> upper bound and with updrafts multiplied by two in SZ11, and (f) the convective updraft vertical velocity calculation replaced by Gregory (2001) with no 15 m s<sup>-1</sup> upper bound. See text for additional details.

Figure1.



## q: mass mixing ratio N: number concentration

## New processes:

- Cloud ice sedimentation
- Detrainment of convective snow
- Conversion of rimed snow
- Collection of snow by rain
- Collection of rain by snow to rimed ice
- Collection of rain by rimed ice
- Collection of cloud water by rimed ice
- Rimed ice sedimentation

## Revised processes:

- Convective snow sedimentation
- Homogeneous freezing of rain
- Heterogeneous freezing of rain

Figure2.



Figure3.



Figure4.



Figure5.



Figure6.





Figure7.



Figure8.



Figure9.



Figure10.



Figure11.



Figure12.



FigureA1.

