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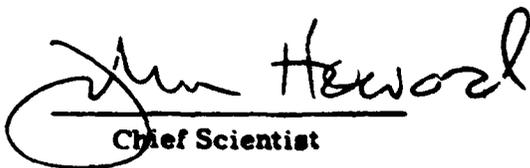


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and also at the lowest altitude. This flight provided numerous samples having as many as 350,000 particles per cubic meter in the 47 to 4700- μm size range. The largest particle sizes were generally less than 1100 μm , but some cirrus particles as large as 2.5 mm were detected at altitudes between 5.9 and 7.7 km. Generally, the calculated ice water content (IWS) values were 0.04 g m^{-3} or less, with a maximum of 0.10 g m^{-3} in the active storm situation. On the other two days, the cirrus was of varying density with most particles less than 1400 μm and IWCs of 0.03 g m^{-3} or less. Particles as large as 2.5 mm were detected in the cirrus on all three flights. The in-flight meteorologist's characterization of heavy or thin clouds is better correlated with total particle number than particle size. Several atmospheric and particle spectral properties are tabulated for consecutive 15-sec data samples for the 3 flights.

Cloud-free periods were examined; some showed the presence of the two types of subvisible cirrus. The first type consisted of a background of small particles less than a few tens of microns; the second type consisted of large subvisible cirrus particles of the order of 100 μm or larger. The density of subvisible particles larger than 100 μm during a cloud-free period on 2 February 1979 was 7 μm^{-3} .

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I. INTRODUCTION

This report continues the presentation of data from a series of cirrus sampling flights made for the Air Force Weapons Laboratory (AFWL) under the Advanced Radiation Technology (ART) program. The flights in the series also provide information for a study of cirrus being conducted for the Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR). In this report, the data were gathered in the course of three flights, 28 and 29 January 1979, and 2 February 1979, from Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

A summary of the series follows: The first report described some of the sampling instrumentation (Varley)¹ available on the specially equipped MC-130E (maintained and flown by personnel of the 4950th Test Wing) used in all the flights; this first report also considered data acquired at 7.6 km before an approaching upper level trough. The second report, by Varley and Brooks,² presented particle spectra for heavy cirrostratus and thin cirrus, whereas the third report (Varley)³ described a flight that acquired primarily very small crystals ($\leq 30 \mu\text{m}$) in a high haze-like cloud layer.

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of cirrus have been reported in the fourth part of this series by Vardoy and Barnes⁴ and in a fifth part which appeared later in a band of stratus bands. In the fifth report, by Cohen, the altostratus and cirrostratus were studied separately to control for a strong trend in the winds aloft, which are generally less than 40 kt at such altitudes. The sixth report, by Cohen and Barnes,⁵ is devoted to the study of cirrus associated with cumulus clouds.

The latest part of this series, by Cohen, deals with the distribution of cirrus particles in an stratus cloud with a few cirro-stratus clouds at the top. The total number of crystals is as large as 1,000 per cm^3 . The number of crystals per cm^3 has been in general between 0.001 and 0.01 per cm^3 in the stratus clouds and between 0.001 and 0.01 per cm^3 in the cirrus clouds. The latter values are in general in the range of 0.001 to 0.01 per cm^3 . The number of crystals per cm^3 in the cirrus clouds are generally in the range of 0.001 to 0.01 per cm^3 . The number of crystals per cm^3 in the cirrus clouds are generally in the range of 0.001 to 0.01 per cm^3 .

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This report has two main purposes: First, to add more particle data to the paucity of information that now exists on cirrus particle spectra and their

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variation, second, to provide information on subvisible cirrus. In our study of the latter, more emphasis is placed on number concentration of ice samples, not correlating contributions of ice water content with particular particle sizes, but on the correlation of T-form factors with each spectrum.

2. INSTRUMENTATION AND DATA PROCESSING

The primary cloud physics instrumentation used during the three flights discussed in this report include: PMS (Particle Measuring Systems, Inc.) one-dimensional (1-D) and two dimensional (2-D) particle spectrometers, a PMS axial scattering spectrometer probe (ASSP), and a formvar replicating system. Other recorded data include outside air temperature and altitude, as well as aircraft heading and airspeed.

The PMS spectrometers are widely used instruments that have been described, for example, by Knollenberg^{10, 11} and Cunningham.¹² After the particle data were acquired and recorded on magnetic tape aboard the sampling aircraft, they were computer processed, as described by Cunningham,¹² Varley¹ and Varley and Barnes⁴ in previous parts of this study. Essentially, the equivalent melted diameter of all recorded ice crystals is determined using AFGL "melting" equations for standard particle types. Calculations of ice water content (IWC) are then made based on the number of particles recorded in each channel of the spectrometer probes.

The melting equations used for all data in this report are the same as those used for the AFGL type "bullet rosettes." This type was selected based on a review of the 2-D shadowgraph data from each flight. Studies by Heymsfield and Knollenberg⁷ and Heymsfield⁹ have shown that bullet rosettes and bullets are the most common crystal type in cirriform cloudiness. While the bullet rosette is most easily recognized, we strongly agree with the finding of Hobbs and Atkinson¹³

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11. Knollenberg, R. (1976) Three new instruments for cloud physics measurements: the 2-D spectrometer, the forward scattering probe, and the active scattering spectrometer. Preprints of Intl. Cld. Physics Conf., Boulder, Colorado, Amer. Meteor. Soc., 554-561.
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13. Hobbs, P. V., and Atkinson, D.G. (1976) The concentrations of ice particles in orographic clouds and cyclonic storms over the Cascade Mountains. J. Atmos. Sci., 33:1363-1374.

that most particle shapes in ice clouds are irregular, with reference to standard ice or snow particle classifications.

Values of microphysical variables in this report have been averaged over 15-sec periods, providing somewhat better resolution of cloud conditions than the 30-sec averaging employed in previous parts of this series. Brief descriptions of other types of data will be given as initially presented.

A discussion of the weather in the southwestern United States on 28 January to 2 February, the period covered by the three flights, follows. Flight and sample data will be discussed separately.

3. SYNOPTIC DISCUSSION FOR THE PERIOD 28 JANUARY TO 2 FEBRUARY 1979

During the morning of 28 January 1979, the weather in the southwestern United States was dominated by two low pressure areas. At 1200Z, one was located over southeastern California; the other was in Mexico, 120 miles south of El Paso, Texas. During the day, the first of those low pressure areas moved eastward into Arizona, while the other remained stationary. Southeast flow around the two lows brought moisture from the Gulf of Mexico into the system, causing both lows to intensify and a trough to form between them (see Figure 1). This development was aided by an upper air wave over the western United States. The position of this wave is seen in Figure 2. The Jet Stream followed the 9240-m contour, as can be seen by the 150-kt wind at El Paso, Texas. With the combination of southeast flow at low levels and west-south-west flow at high levels, the system continued to intensify. As the GOES-west satellite pictures show, (Figures 3 and 4) an extensive shield of clouds formed around the southern low pressure area. The flight of 28 January sampled the cirriform clouds on top of this cloud shield. The rawinsonde soundings shown in Figures 5 and 6 point out how the moisture in west Texas increased during the day on 28 January. During the next twelve hours, the two surface lows shown in Figure 1 merged and the two surface troughs developed into an occluded front.

During 29 January, this system deepened into an extensive storm. The position of this storm at 2100Z on 29 January 1979 is shown in Figure 7. The sampling flight of 29 January sampled cirriform clouds while the storm was at its greatest intensity. As the GOES-east satellite photos in Figures 8 and 9 show, an extensive cloud mass covered a large area ahead of the front extending from Texas through Oklahoma, Kansas, and Colorado to Wyoming. Rain and drizzle were observed in Texas and snow was reported throughout the rest of the area; most stations in the sampling area were reporting light, continuous snow. The upper air wave had

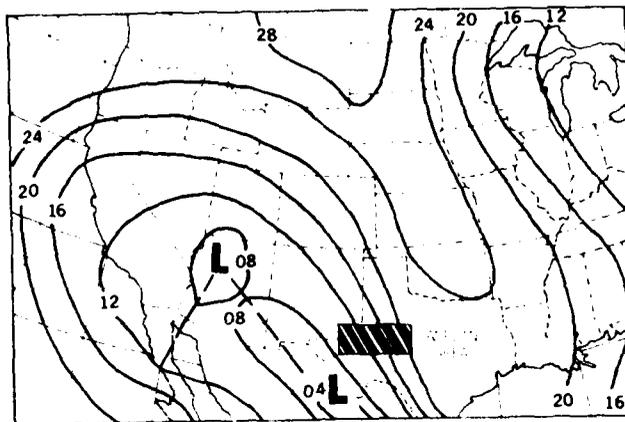


Figure 1. Surface Synoptic Chart at 2100Z, 28 January 1979. Add 1000 millibars to isobar values

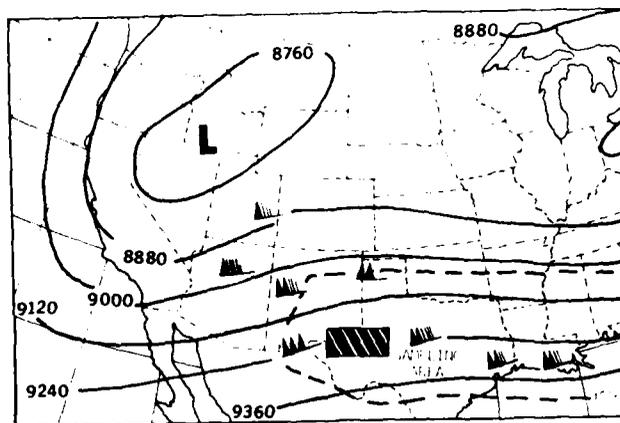


Figure 2. 300-mb Analysis at 1200Z, 28 January 1979. Contour values in geopotential meters

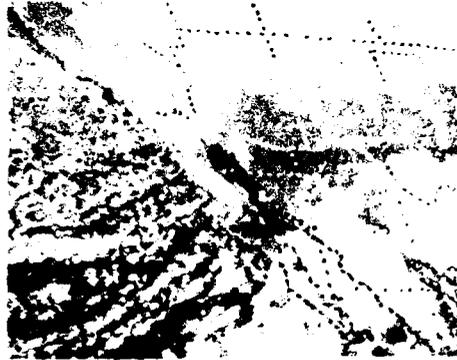


Figure 3. GOES-West Visible Picture
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Area at 1815Z, 28 January 1979.
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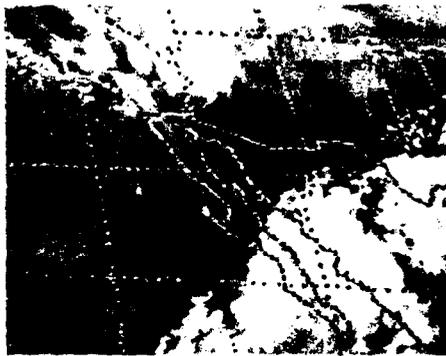


Figure 4. GOES-West Infrared Picture
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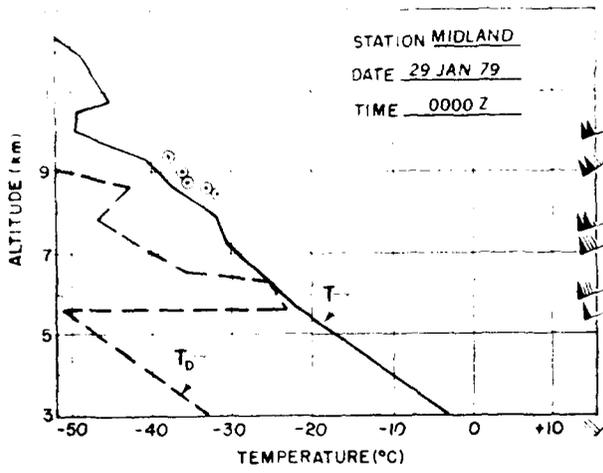
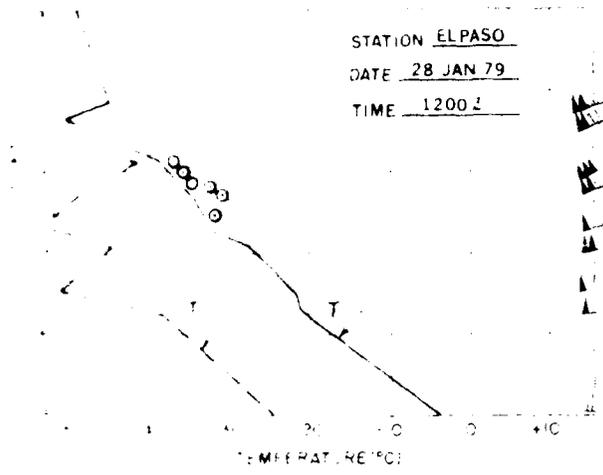


Figure 3. Midland, Texas - 0000Z, 29 January 1979
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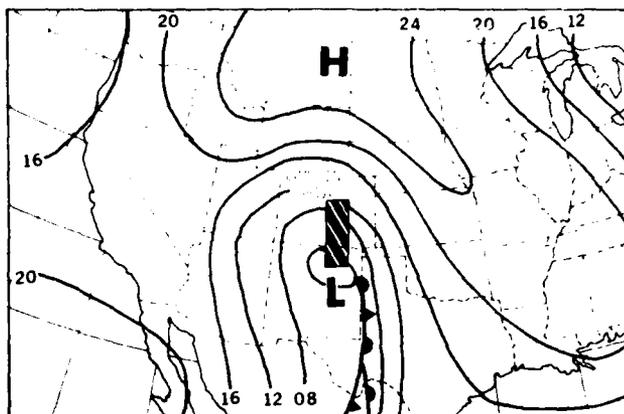


Figure 7. Surface Synoptic Chart at 2100Z, 29 January 1979. Add 1000 millibars to isobar values

deepened considerably, as can be seen in Figure 10. Figures 11 and 12 show the radiosonde soundings for Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Denver, Colorado. While Albuquerque was already well behind the front and thus clearing, the Denver radiosonde shows both a moist layer 6 km thick as well as the front that caused it (at 3 1/2 km), marked by a strong inversion and a wind shift. The westerly and northwesterly flow both aloft and at the surface brought rapid clearing to western New Mexico, and as the storm moved eastward, rapid clearing occurred in the sampling area. The upper air trough became stationary, and as the storm moved eastward, it weakened as dry air from a high pressure area, located in Montana (Figure 7) caused it to lose energy.

This continental high pressure area pushed southward and provided the New Mexico area with two days of clear weather until a complex system moved in from the Pacific Ocean. A weak Pacific cold front moved through southern California and Arizona on 31 January and passed through New Mexico on 1 February. Meanwhile, a second cold front formed over Nevada and Utah, as colder continental polar air pushed toward this area. By 1200Z on 2 February, the Pacific front was in the Texas Panhandle, while the polar front had moved to Central Utah and Central Colorado. As Figure 13 shows, by 2100Z on 2 February, the Pacific front had dissipated, while the polar front had moved into the Texas Panhandle and northern New Mexico. The cirrus in advance of this front was sampled during the flight of 2 February. As shown in Figure 14 (a GOES visible satellite photo), an extensive area of low cloud was moving south with the polar front. Figure 15 (the corresponding infrared photo) shows the

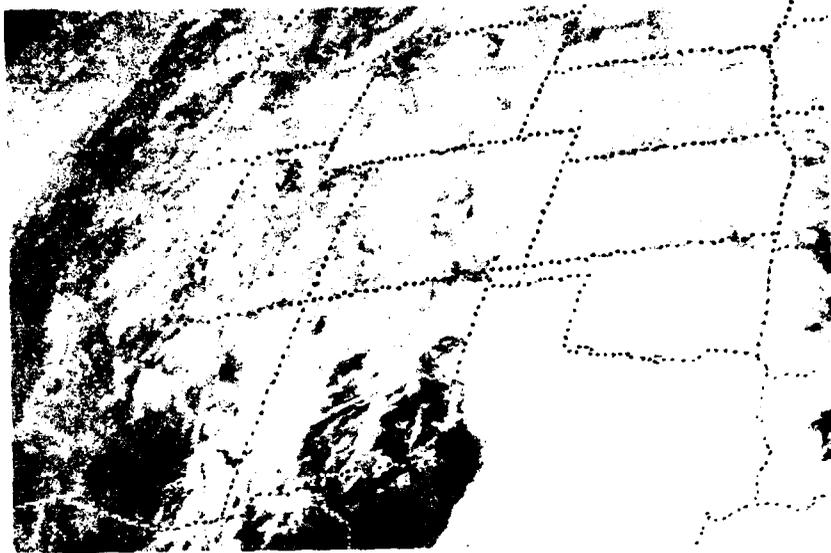


Figure 8. GOES-East Visible Photo of Cloud Conditions Over Southwest U.S. at 1901Z on 29 January 1979.

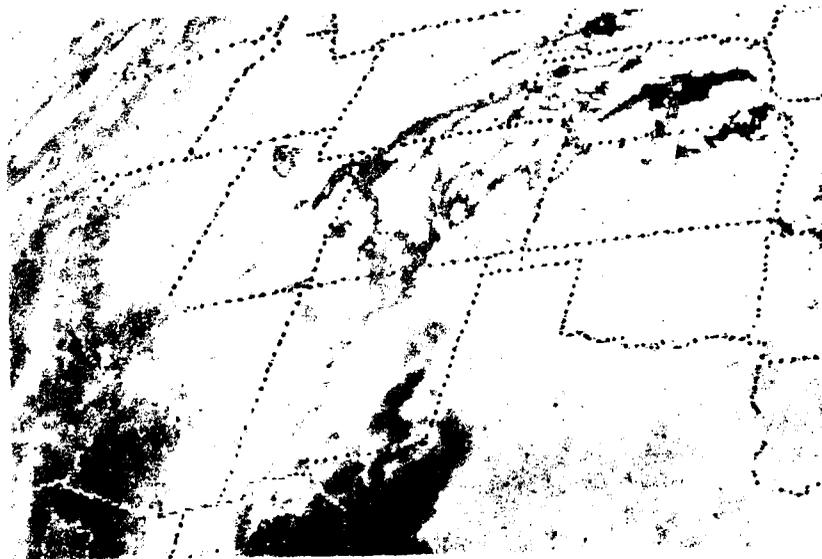


Figure 9. GOES-East Infrared Photo of Southwest U.S. at 1930Z on 29 January 1979.

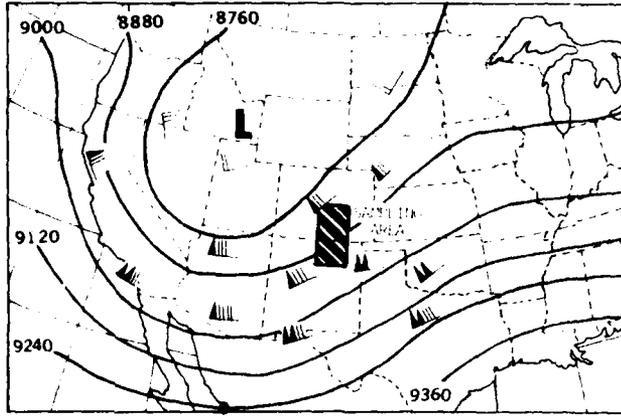


Figure 10. 300-mb Analysis 1200Z, 29 January 1979. Height in geopotential meters

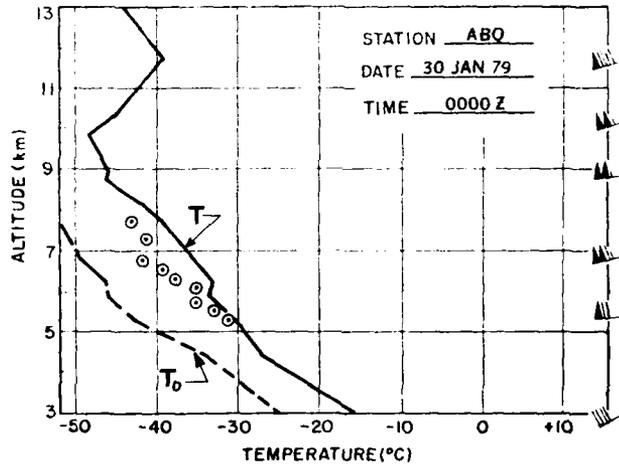


Figure 11. Albuquerque, N.M. Sounding 4 hr After 29 January 1979 Sampling. Circles are aircraft-measured temperatures along the flight track. Tropopause was at 9.8 km MSL

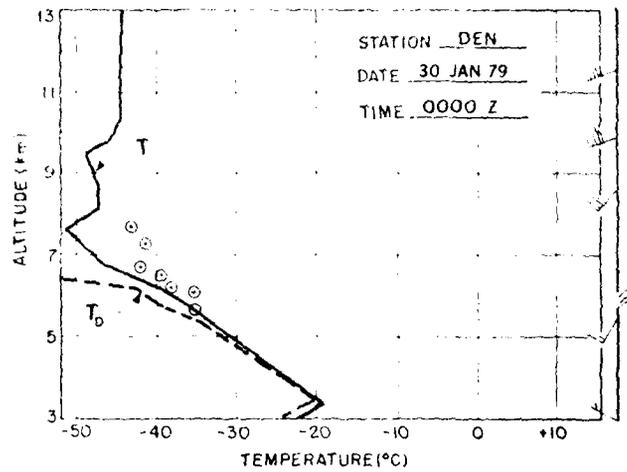


Figure 12. Denver, Colorado Sounding 4 hr After 29 January 1979 Sampling. Front is at 3 1/2 km. Circles are aircraft measured temperatures as on Albuquerque sounding. Tropopause was at 7.6 km AGL.

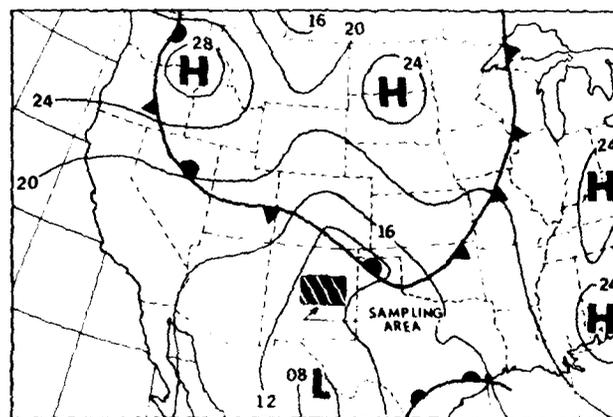


Figure 13. Surface Synoptic Chart at 2100Z, 2 February 1979. Add 1000 millibars to isobar values.

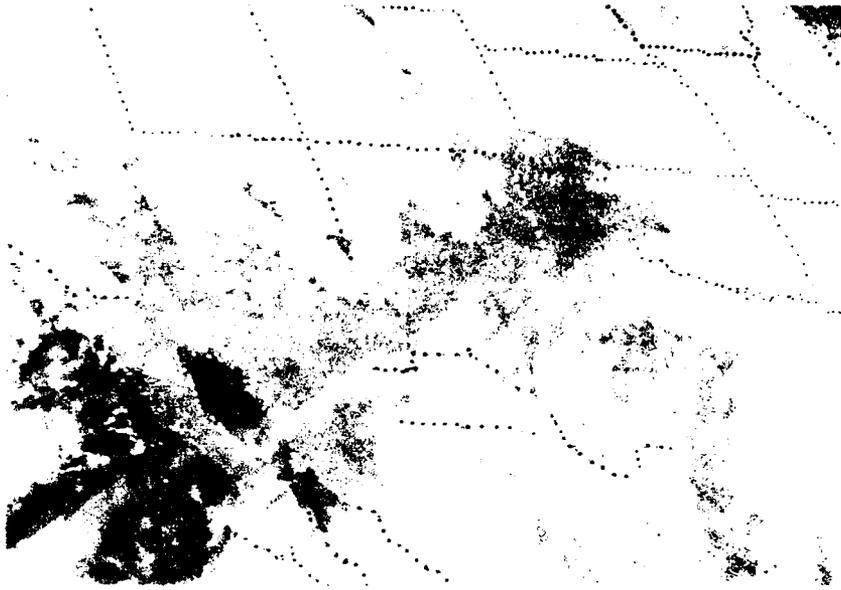


Figure 14. GOES-West Visible Photo Centered on North Texas at 204-Z, 2 February 1979.

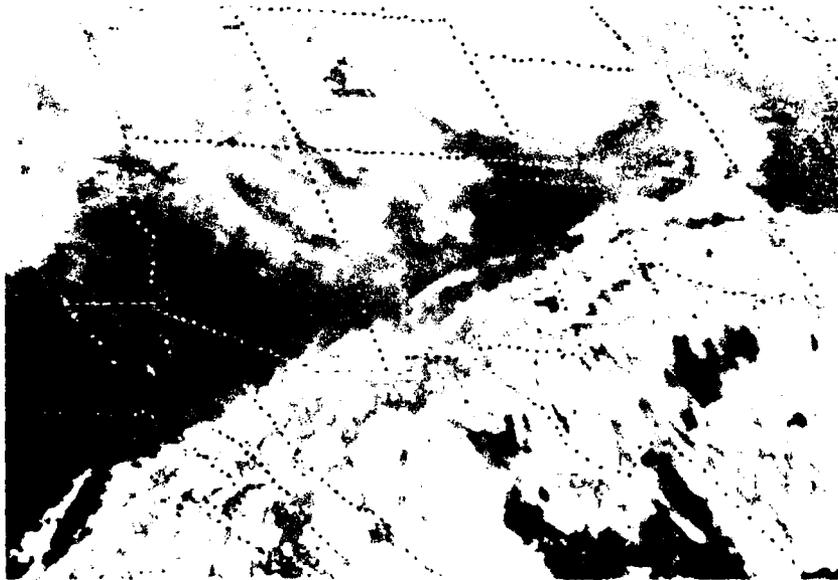


Figure 15. GOES Infrared Photo at 144-Z, 2 February 1979. This was last IR picture received before sampling 6 hr later.

cirriform clouds associated with the weakening Pacific front in Oklahoma, Texas, and southeastern New Mexico. Much of this cirrus was so thin that it is almost invisible in Figure 15. Figure 16 shows the sharp 300-mb trough and strong jet stream with winds of 170 kt over central Arizona and New Mexico, which supported these systems. Figures 17 and 18 show the soundings at El Paso, Texas, and Albuquerque, New Mexico on the morning of 2 February. The Pacific front shows up clearly on the El Paso sounding at the 5-km level. The advancing cirrus shows up on the Albuquerque sounding as a thin moist layer at 7.5 km. During the day, the polar front became stationary while the Pacific front regenerated over eastern Texas. By 0000Z on 3 February, the polar front showed signs of weakening, but the cirrus over central New Mexico remained there through 1200Z. Thus a continuous, persistent shield of thin cirrus was present throughout the time of the third sampling flight. The synoptic situation on this flight was strikingly similar to that of an earlier flight,⁵ but on 2 February the upper air winds were somewhat stronger and the polar front somewhat weaker than on the earlier flight. Thus the resulting cirriform clouds seen on the previous occasion were more diffuse.

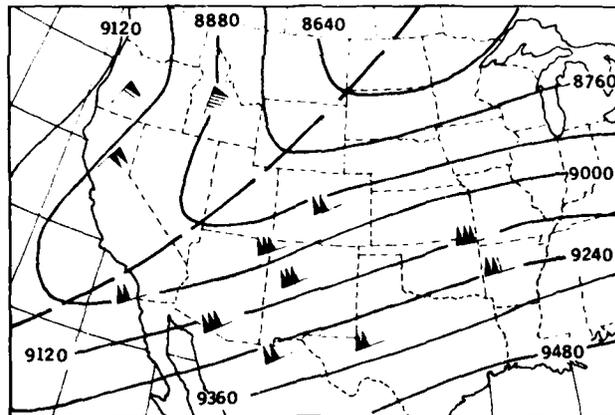


Figure 16. 300-mb Analysis at 0000Z, 3 February 1979. Heights shown in geopotential meters

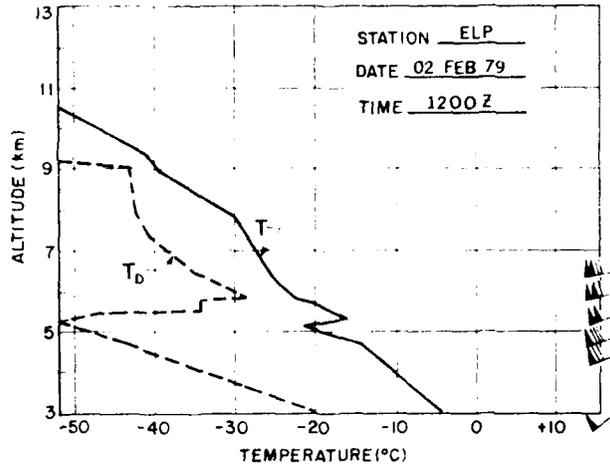


Figure 17. El Paso, Texas Sounding At 1200Z on 2 February 1979 Sampling Flight. Tropopause was at 11.8 km MSLL. Winds were not measured above 6.6 km

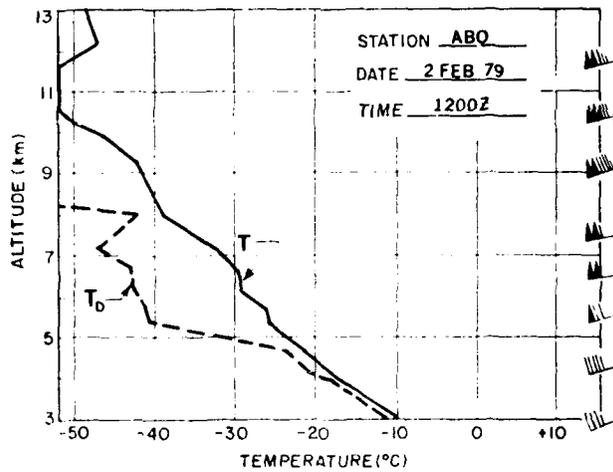


Figure 18. Albuquerque, N. M. Sounding At 1200Z on 2 February 1979 Sampling Flight. Tropopause was at 11.0 km MSLL. Maximum wind was 181 kt at 10.5 km

4. 28 JANUARY 1979 FLIGHT AND DATA

The 28 January cirrus sampling began at Kirtland AFB, New Mexico, at 1924Z (1224 MST) and proceeded south, and then east. Most of the cirrus data were obtained over western Texas at altitudes between 7.5 and 9.5 km. The general flight track is shown in Figure 19.

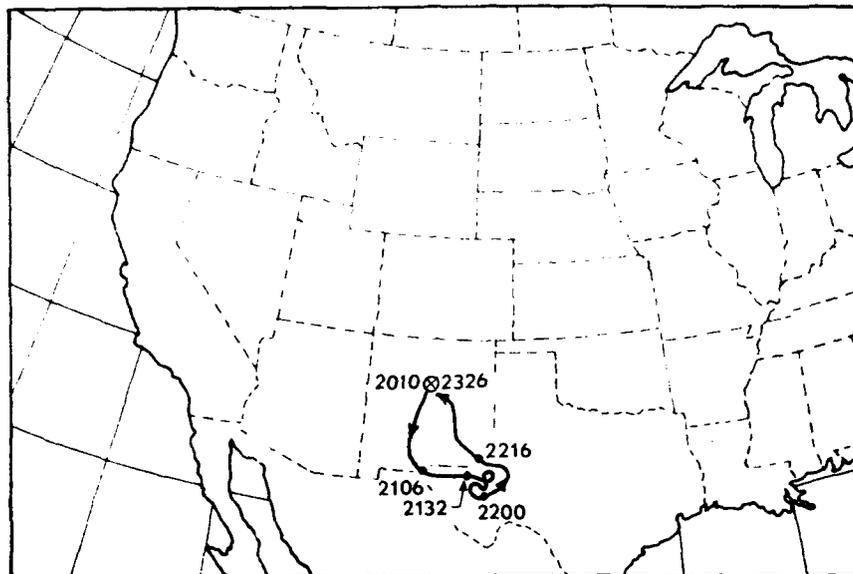


Figure 19. Path of C-130 Sampling Flight on 28 January 1979. Aircraft departed and landed at Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, N. M. Numbers indicate times in UMT

4.1 Data Variations During the Flight

An over-all view of the variation of several parameters during part of the 28 January flight is shown in Figure 20. The top portion, for example, indicates, that the greatest altitude attained was near 9 km at about 2155Z. Outside air temperature during most of the flight at cirrus altitudes was between -30 and -36°C .

Part b of Figure 20 reflects mass determinations from the scatter probe (measuring particles from ~ 2 to $27\ \mu\text{m}$), whereas Part c shows similar values for the combined cloud and precipitation probes (ranges of ~ 26 to $4700\ \mu\text{m}$).

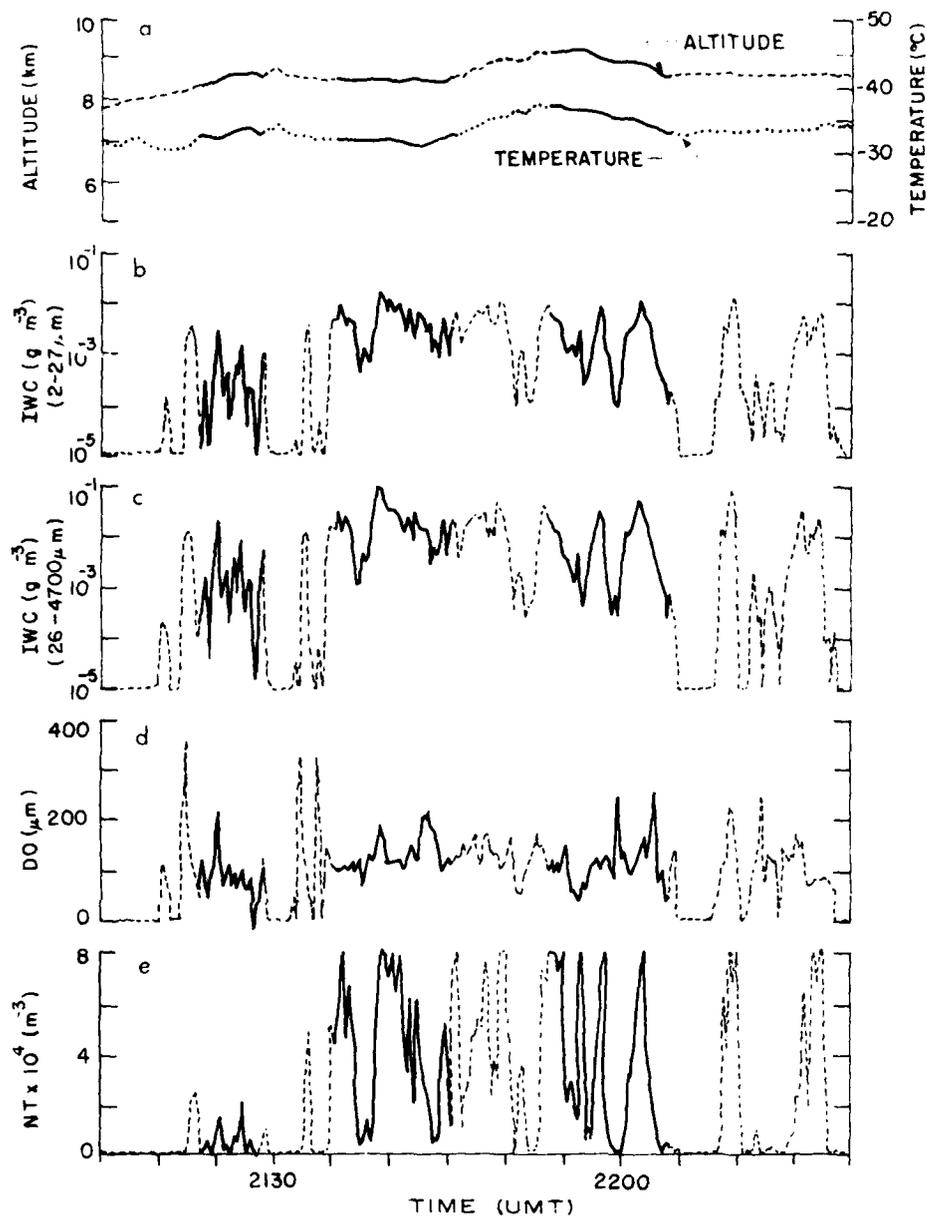


Figure 20. Variation With Time During 28 January Flight of (a) Aircraft Altitude and Temperature, (b) Ice Water Content from ASSP, (c) Ice Water Content from 1-D PMS Cloud and Precipitation Probes, (d) Median Volume Diameter of "Melted" Particles, and (e) Total Number of Particles Over 47-4700 μm Range. Based on values of consecutive 15 sec samples. Solid lines indicate data of the 1 masses described in Table 1.

Variations of mass, as calculated from the two sets of probes, are well correlated, although absolute values are different, as should be expected. The problems of determining the mass of ice crystal regimes through use of a scatter probe have been recognized for some time. Both Hobbs et al¹⁴ and Ryder¹⁵ have cautioned that the Axial Scattering Spectrometer Probe (ASSP) produces an overestimate of ice crystal concentration because of multiple pulsing from the many faceted scattering particles. Despite this problem concerning data from the ASSP, measurements have been included on Figure 20 and other data formats herein, in order to provide at least a relative record of the small-sized ice crystals present.

For the 28 January sampling, Part c of Figure 20 shows that the greatest calculated IWC for a 15-sec sample was nearly 0.09 g m^{-3} , occurring at ~2139Z. The second highest value of about 0.08 g m^{-3} was determined for data at 2210Z.

The variation during the flight of the particle median volume diameter, D_o , a calculated quantity based on particles in the 26 to $4700 \mu\text{m}$ -size range, is shown in Part d of Figure 20. The D_o is the "equivalent melted" particle diameter at the fiftieth percentile of the ice water content; that is, half of the ice water exists in smaller melted droplet sizes, and half in larger sizes. Typical D_o values during most of the cirrus sampling on this flight were between 75 and $200 \mu\text{m}$.

The variation of NT, the total number of particles in the 47- to $4700 \mu\text{m}$ range, is given in part f of Figure 20. This quantity varied considerably from very high to very low values as the aircraft passed through portions of heavier cirrus. Occasionally, values in excess of the $60,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ upper limit of the figure were recorded. The greatest 15-sec NT was $142,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$, which occurred at 2153Z. Three other consecutive samples were greater than $120,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ at about 2139Z.

A more comprehensive tabulation of the values on Figure 20 for each 15 sec sample is given in Appendix A. In addition, Appendix A lists L_{max} , which is the mean physical size (in micrometers) of the largest spectrometer channel having $>1 \text{ particle m}^{-3} \text{ mm}^{-1}$. For many purposes, this can be considered the largest particle size contributing to a given number-size spectrum. The L_{max} column in Appendix A shows the largest particles measured in most spectra, ranging from approximately 300 to $1300 \mu\text{m}$. Values of less than $1000 \mu\text{m}$ are usually indicative of a spectrum made up of a small number of small particles, and may be discounted ordinarily, except as an indicator of subvisible cloudiness.

14. Hobbs, P.V., Radke, L.F., and Atkinson, D.G. (1975) Airborne Measurements and Observations in Cirrus Clouds, AFCRL-TR-75-0249, AD A015 937, 117 pp.

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The form factor of each 13-sec sample is also given in Appendix A under the "FF" heading. The form factor is a mathematical value between 0. and 1.00, first described by Plank¹⁶ and Plank and Barnes.¹⁷ It has been found useful in characterizing the shape of given spectra.

The form factor is calculated as

$$FF = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} (2i-1)^3 \sigma_i}{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} (2i-1)^4 \sigma_i \right]^{0.5}}$$

where i is the specific channel of data being considered (from 2 to 15 for the PMS cloud probe and from 1 to 15 for the precipitation probe) and σ_i is the ratio of the number of particles in channel i to the total number in all channels (for sizes from -47 to 4700 μm).

Values of FF based on approximately 10 or fewer channels of particle data may be spurious and not meaningful. This is usually the case when FF is computed to be greater than 1.00 as often happens in the Appendices to this report. Plank¹⁸ has also warned that the form factor can be ambiguous in that two different spectra may have the same FF number. However, in a previous AFGL report,¹⁹ there was little difficulty in gaining useful intelligence from the form factor as long as the air temperature or altitude of a given sample was known. Figure 21, from that AFGL report, was developed from a study of particle spectra in both cirrus and lower clouds and shows the approximate FF values for four generalized spectra. The nearly straightline (on log-linear plots) exponential distributions are closely approximated by the factors in the 0.25 to 0.35 range.

The tabulations of data in the Appendices also include notes or comments made by the mission director during the course of the flights. He sat in the

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 18. Plank, V.G. (1979) Private Correspondence.
 19. Varley, D.J. (1980) Microphysical Properties Of a Large Scale Cloud System 1-3 March 1978, AFGL-TR-80-0002, Environmental Research Papers 690, AD A083 140, 100 pp.

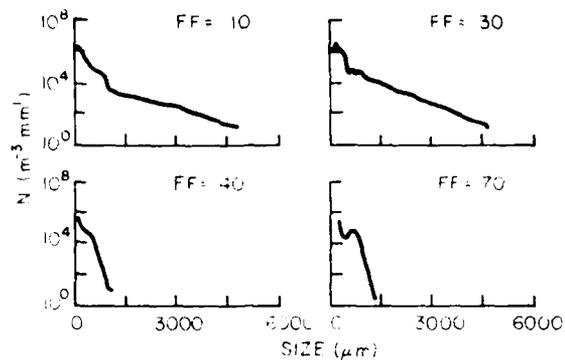


Figure 21. Typical Spectra and Representative Form Factor Values

aircraft cockpit and had a good vantage from which to see the type clouds being sampled.

4.2 Data for Particular Passes

After reviewing the mission director's notes, data tabulations, and the variation of data on Figure 20 we selected three periods during the flight for further studies. These are given in summary form in Table 1 and are also reflected on Figure 20 by the three intervals of solid lines across any given data plot. Brief order-of-magnitude (or larger) changes occurred in IWC and D_0 during these periods, but generally cloud conditions were relatively homogeneous.

Table 1. Portions of 28 January 1979 Flight Examined in Figure 22

Pass	Period	Number of Samples	Average Temperature	Average Altitude (km)	Type
1	2123-2128Z	20	-33°C	8.5	Near Cs base
2	2135-2150Z	60	-33	8.6	In heavy Cs
3	2153-2203Z	40	-36	9.0	In heavy Cs

Data for five sets of variables for each of the three periods are shown in histogram form on Figure 22. The bottom row presents data for the 2123-2128Z period designated Pass 1, the middle row for 2135-2150Z Pass 2, and the top row for 2153-2203Z, Pass 3. The height of each histogram bar reflects the

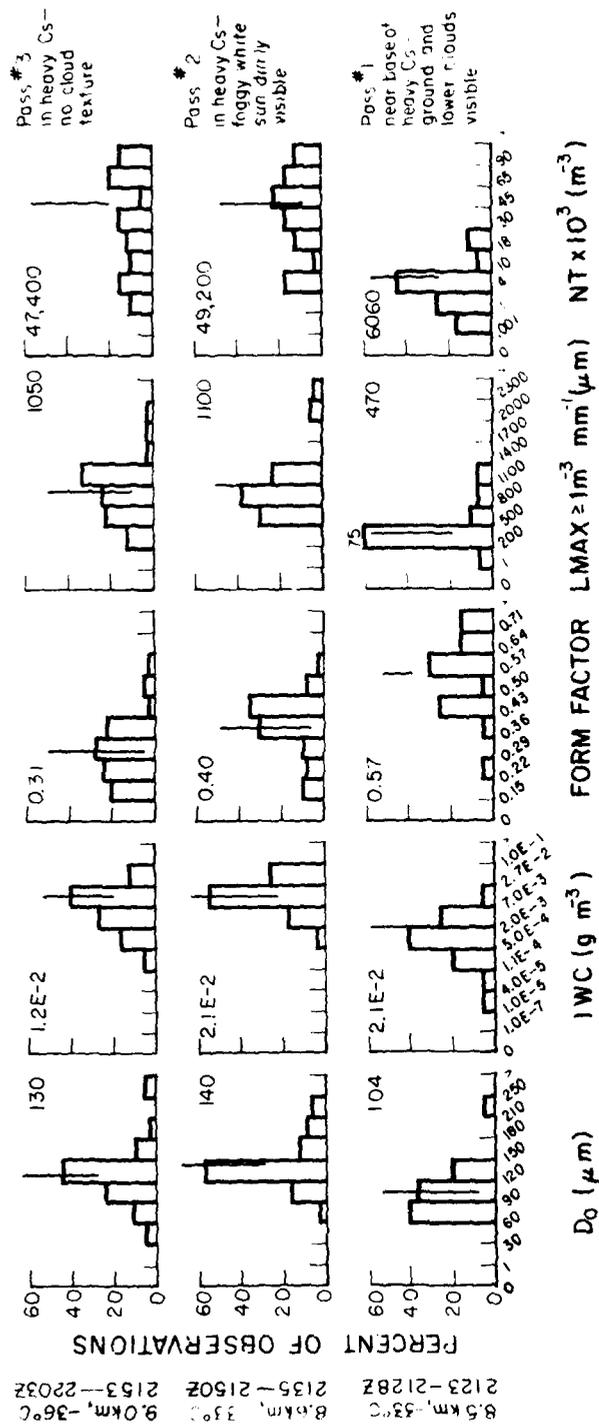


Figure 22. Percentage Frequency by Class of Five Measured or Calculated Variables. Based on total number of 15-sec mean values during 3 periods on 28 January 1979. Printed numbers and vertical lines are 50 percentile values. These do not consider data in cloud-free areas

percentage of sampling time that individual class values were measured or calculated. Each specific percentage was determined from the ratio of the number of 15-sec averages having a certain class value to the total number of 15-sec intervals in a sampling period, for example, the 5 min for the 2123-2128Z period had 20 samples.

The numerical value of the 50 percentile or median quantity of each variable is given with each Figure 22 histogram. A vertical line on each also gives the location of the mean along the abscissa scale. The mean value is based only on 15-sec samples when cloud data were being recorded. Intervals when the aircraft was outside all cloud, or was not recording ice particles are excluded in calculations of mean values, although these periods are reflected in a "no data" class at the extreme left in each histogram.

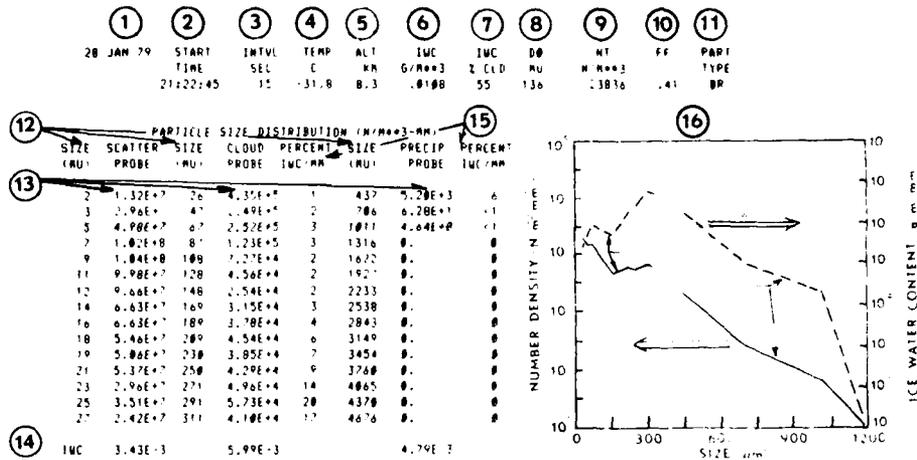
As an example of how Figure 22 may be read, it can be noted at the left side of the bottom row that the predominant (most frequently observed) D_o class was that having limits of 60 and 90 μm . It occurred in 40 percent of the 15 sec averages during the 2123 to 2128Z period. The mean value of D_o , however, was 104 μm . The location of the mean is indicated by a vertical line.

During the 2135 to 2150Z sampling period, the extreme left plot of the middle row of Figure 22 shows that nearly 60 percent of all D_o values were in the 120 to 150 μm class, and that the mean of 140 μm was also within those limits. The modal D_o class for Pass 3 was also that bounded by 120 and 150 μm , while the mean was 130 μm .

The five histograms of Pass 1 on the bottom row of Figure 22 are the result of a flight near or below the base of the visible portion of a heavy cirrostratus layer. The Pass 2 and 3 histograms show modal and mean values of various parameters in a heavier, more dense portion of the Cs. The IWC values in the latter two samples are nearly an order of magnitude greater than those acquired near the cloud base. Values of L_{max} , the largest particles recorded, were generally less than 500 μm in Pass 1, but were as large as 1100 μm during at least 20 percent of the sampling in heavy Cs. Another difference between Pass 1 and the other two was the larger mean number of particles, 47,000-49,000 m^{-3} , recorded in the middle of the Cs layer as opposed to a mean value of about 6,000 m^{-3} at the base of it. These passes were not above one another but were consecutive along the flight path as may be seen in Figure 19.

Spectra representing typical cloud conditions during the three 28 January sampling periods will be presented on ensuing pages in the format shown in Figure 23. This format is similar to those given in previous parts of this series with certain additional information being added and explained in the figure.

One significant change in the data format is the addition of two columns of data presenting information on the percentage of the total ice water content



1. Date of sampling.
2. Beginning time of sample (Z time)
3. Sampling interval or duration in seconds over which data were averaged.
4. Average ambient temperature in °C during sample.
5. Average pressure altitude in km MSL of sample
6. Ice water content in g m^{-3} calculated from particles of $\sim 26 - 4700 \mu\text{m}$ size.
7. Percent of IWC in 6, determined from cloud probe (26 to $311 \mu\text{m}$) data.
8. Median diameter of "melted" particles (in μm).
9. Total number of particles m^{-3} in the ~ 47 to $4700 \mu\text{m}$ size range.
10. Form factor (see text).
11. Main recognizable particle type: Bullet rosettes.
12. Nominal particle sizes measured by each channel of the scatter (ASSP), cloud, and precipitation probes.
13. Number of particles $\text{m}^{-3} \text{mm}^{-1}$ in various size classes.
14. Ice water content (g m^{-3}) calculated from data of each probe.
15. Percent of 6 above per mm sampling width (see text).
16. Particle number-size distribution in solid lines; ice water content shown in dashed lines.

Figure 23. Description of Data Format

(measured over the 26 to $4700\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ size range and indicated by [15] in Figure 23) that is contributed by each channel of the 1-D cloud and precipitation probes. Because these probes have different size measuring channels, it was necessary to normalize the IWC data to a common millimeter width just as the particle number distribution data have been done. This permits a direct comparison of data between the two probes as if they measured over the same channel widths.

Figure 23 shows that 3 channels of the precipitation probe centered at 437, 706 and $1011 \mu\text{m}$ contributed less than 8 percent of the total IWC (on a normalized channel size basis). However, because these three channels have a larger measuring area than the cloud probe channels they were actually responsible for $4.79 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ (shown at bottom of "Precip Probe" column) of the actual total.

Whether the normalized or unnormalized values of IWC are more valuable will depend on the ultimate use of the data.

Particle spectra and other data from the 3 passes described in the Figure 8 histograms are shown in Figures 24, 25 and 26. They indicate averages of conditions over selected 15 second intervals within the overall 5 to 15 minute passes. The particular interval was chosen for display from the many given in Appendix A to show most of the characteristics indicated by the modal classes in Figure 22. Emphasis was placed more on the predominant classes than mean values for the overall sampling period because it was found that in some instances the mean values rarely occurred. For example, the L_{max} of the spectrum (not shown here) incorporating all the data of Pass 1 was near $1000 \mu\text{m}$, while the pass data on Figure 22 showed that 60 percent of the samples during the 5 min Pass 1 period had values less than $500 \mu\text{m}$, and the mean of the several samples was $470 \mu\text{m}$. The average spectrum for the entire pass in this case reflected the presence of an anomalously large number of particles in some size ranges that were not recorded in most individual 15-sec samples.

Figure 24 presents representative tabulated and plotted data during Pass 1 when the aircraft was moving in and out of portions of the base of a Cs layer. The greatest particle size recorded was in the $437\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ channel of the precipitation probe. The most significant contribution to overall ice water content was from the five largest channels of the cloud probe each of which provided 12 to 13 percent of the total.

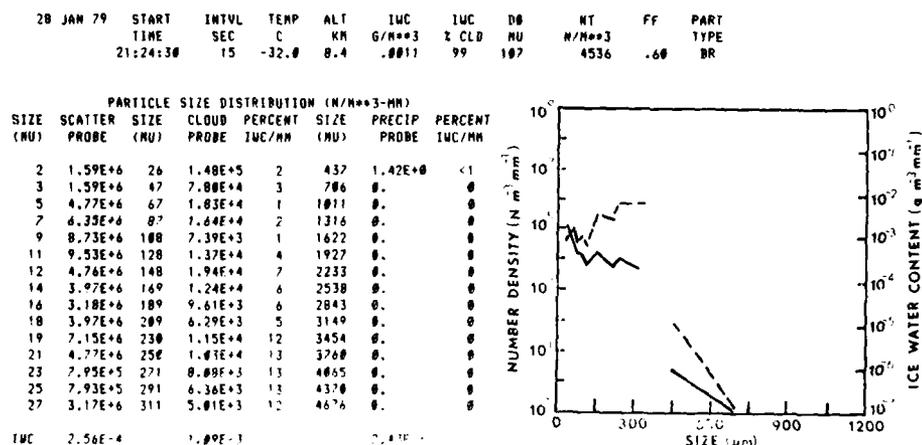


Figure 24. Representative Ice Crystal Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 1 Through the Base of a Cirrostratus Layer on 28 January 1979

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 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 TYPE
 21:41:30 15 -31.7 8.4 .0230 53 138 58455 .39 BR

SIZE (MU)	SCATTER PROBE	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)					
		SIZE (MU)	CLOUD PROBE	PERCENT IWC/MM	PRECIP PROBE		
2	2.02E+7	26	9.78E+5	1	437	1.17E+4	7
3	5.04E+7	47	9.93E+5	3	706	1.52E+2	-1
5	8.76E+7	67	5.43E+5	3	1011	3.35E+0	<1
7	2.37E+8	87	2.62E+5	3	1316	0.	0
9	2.48E+8	108	1.01E+5	3	1622	0.	0
11	1.04E+8	128	7.50E+4	2	1927	0.	0
12	1.70E+8	148	6.12E+4	2	2233	0.	0
14	1.30E+8	169	3.53E+4	1	2538	0.	0
16	1.44E+8	189	5.09E+4	2	2843	0.	0
18	1.06E+8	209	5.94E+4	4	3149	0.	0
19	9.65E+7	230	6.10E+4	5	3454	0.	0
21	9.44E+7	250	9.20E+4	10	3760	0.	0
23	7.79E+7	271	1.07E+5	15	4065	0.	0
25	4.94E+7	291	1.25E+5	21	4370	0.	0
27	2.92E+7	311	8.97E+4	18	4676	0.	0

IWC 6.27E-3 1.22E-2 1.08E-2

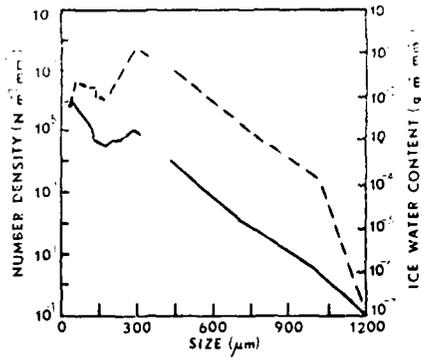


Figure 25. Representative Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 2 Through Heavy Cs on 28 January 1979

28 JAN 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DB HT FF PAFT
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 TYPE
 22:01:15 15 -35.2 8.9 .0212 54 134 62368 .32 BR

SIZE (MU)	SCATTER PROBE	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)					
		SIZE (MU)	CLOUD PROBE	PERCENT IWC/MM	PRECIP PROBE		
2	1.18E+7	26	0.26E+5	1	437	9.62E+3	6
3	2.43E+7	47	9.79E+5	3	706	2.66E+2	1
5	4.20E+7	67	4.33E+5	3	1011	1.65E+1	-1
7	1.09E+8	87	3.04E+5	3	1316	1.16E+0	1
9	1.37E+8	108	2.14E+5	4	1622	0.	0
11	1.15E+8	128	1.63E+5	4	1927	0.	0
12	8.64E+7	148	1.59E+5	5	2233	0.	0
14	8.34E+7	169	9.94E+4	4	2538	0.	0
16	7.60E+7	189	1.14E+5	6	2843	0.	0
18	8.34E+7	209	1.13E+5	8	3149	0.	0
19	7.09E+7	230	9.65E+4	9	3454	0.	0
21	4.33E+7	250	8.11E+4	9	3760	0.	0
23	4.04E+7	271	7.42E+4	11	4065	0.	0
25	3.32E+7	291	6.70E+4	12	4370	0.	0
27	2.58E+7	311	5.17E+4	11	4676	0.	0

IWC 3.09E-3 1.14E-2 9.73E-3

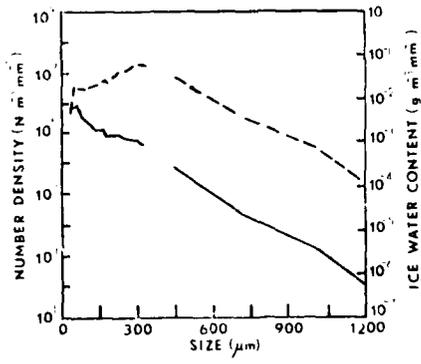


Figure 26. Representative Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 3 Through Heavy Cs on 28 January 1979

The spectrum in Figure 25, representing the middle of a fairly heavy cirrostratus layer, exhibits a minimum in the distribution curve near the 170 μm particle size while there is a maximum in the curve at approximately 290 μm . Similar minima were observed in cirriform spectra described by Varley,¹⁰ They have also been pointed out by Heymsfield⁹ as being somewhat typical in cirrus uncinus heads. He thought the maximum at sizes near or below 500 μm might reflect an accumulation of crystals of that length in an updraft. Some 21 percent of the total Figure 25 IWC was due to particles recorded by the 291- μm channel size.

The distribution of Figure 26, in heavy fog-like Cs, has a nearly straight-line, exponential decrease of particle number with increasing size. As in the previous figure, the greatest contribution to over-all ice water mass was at the 291- μm channel size; but the IWC curve in Figure 26 is considerably smoother than those shown in Figures 24 and 25. The form factor of the Figure 26 spectrum is 0.32, which is in the 0.25 to 0.35 range previously identified and associated with exponential distributions.

Both Figures 25 and 26 spectra are from heavy cirrostratus clouds. While minimum and maximum points are evident at sizes less than 500 μm in the former, they are absent in the latter. Such valley-peak distributions may be evidence of an aggregation mechanism which occurs more frequently in the middle and lower portions of Cs. The Figure 26 spectrum represents data from an altitude of 8.9 km MSL, perhaps above the level that aggregation begins. At 8.4 km, the altitude of the Figure 25 spectrum, the aggregation process may have been better established.

5. 29 JANUARY 1979 FLIGHT AND DATA

The 29 January flight departed Kirtland AFB at 1647Z (0947 MST) and flew north and east into the Pueblo, Colorado area. Several sampling passes were made at lower levels east of the Rocky Mountains for another AFGL program, then sampling in the thin cirriform clouds above the surface storm began at about 1845Z. As the aircraft proceeded in a generally southerly direction back to Kirtland, the cloud tops decreased in height. The main portions of this day's flight track were as indicated on Figure 27.

5.1 Data Variations During the Flight

The variations of several measured or calculated variables during the 29 January sampling are plotted on Figure 28. Since the flight was made near the upper level low, the outside air temperature and cirrus tops were both lower

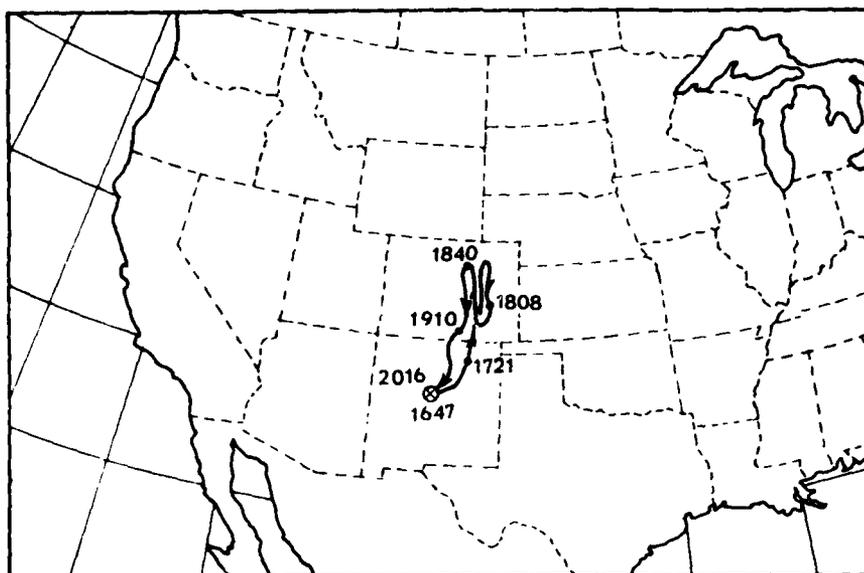


Figure 27. Flight Track of Sampling Aircraft on 29 January 1979. Numbers indicate times in UMT

than those observed in most previous flights. As shown in the top of Figure 28, all sampling was accomplished at altitudes less than 8 km (26,000 ft) MSL. As the aircraft moved southward, the cirriform tops were found at progressively lower altitudes.

By 1945Z the C-130 was in the thin cloud tops over northern New Mexico at slightly above 5 km. There was some doubt at that time whether those clouds could be considered cirriform; however, they were definitely composed of ice particles and the temperature was -30°C or colder, which Mason,²⁰ among others, has indicated satisfies the criteria to be considered cirriform.

Parts (b) and (c) of Figure 28 show that the variations of IWC as determined from measurements of the scatter probe and the cloud plus precipitation probes were fairly well correlated. There was one extended period, however, beginning about 1905Z when the scatter probe recorded a small number of small particles when there were no measurements in the other probes. The largest calculated IWC of this sampling over the 26 to 4700 μm range was 0.06 g m^{-3} at about 1848Z. The radical high to low IWC changes occurring between 1920 and 1940Z are indicative of passage through numerous small cloud elements.

20. Mason, B.J. (1962) Clouds, Rain and Rainmaking, Cambridge University Press, 145 pp.

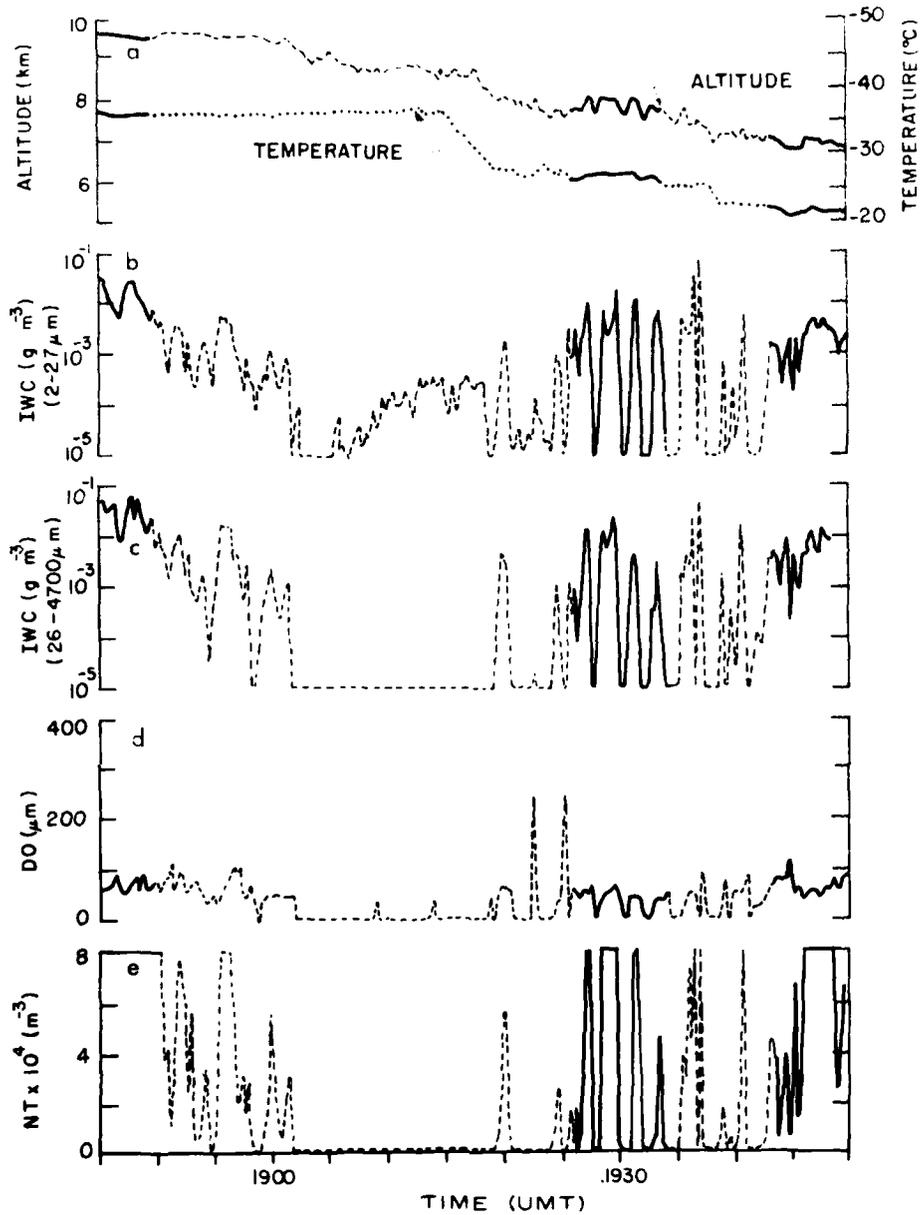


Figure 28. Variation With Time During 29 January 1979 Flight of (a) Aircraft Altitude and Temperature, (b) Ice Water Content from ASSP, (c) Ice Water Content from 1-D PMS Cloud and Precipitation Probes, (d) Median Volume Diameter of "Melted" Particles, (e) Total Number of Particles Over 47-4700 μm Range. Based on values of consecutive 15-sec samples. Solid lines indicate data of the 3 passes described in Table 2

The median volume diameter of typical "melted" particles was quite small in this sampling. Values ranged from approximately 30 to 125 μm , with only a few higher than 150 μm . The variation of D_v during the flight is shown in Part (d) of Figure 28.

The total numbers of particles detected during most of the cloud penetrations on 29 January were high with respect to our previous experience. During the 1845 to 1850Z period, for example, the average number was 358,000 m^{-3} . This compares to an average of 25,000 m^{-3} measured during a 9.0 km pass through thin cirrus over New Mexico on 1 March 1978 (Varley)¹⁹ and a mean of 49,000 m^{-3} recorded during one pass in this report on 28 January 1979. The many changes of NT on Figure 28, Part (e) are again a reflection of the numerous entries into, and departures from, small cirriform cloud elements.

The Figures 29 and 30 photographs show the general type of cloud conditions sampled on 29 January. Figure 29 might be considered a "close up" view of the very thin cirrus filaments that fade with height above the main cloud mass into blue sky. Figure 30 shows the main layer of cirrostratus from a distance. An area of snow-covered ground is in the bottom left. The flight proceeded toward the very top of the clouds shown in Figure 30.

5.2 Data for Particular Passes

Three extended periods during the 29 January sampling were selected for further examination and given in Table 2. These were chosen because cloud conditions were fairly homogeneous; however, a few large changes in the micro-physical variables did occur. In fact, during Pass 5 nearly 30 percent of the time the aircraft was above or between measurable cloud particles. Pass numbers were selected to be continuous from one day to the next, that is, "Pass 4" is the fourth pass considered in this report.

Table 2. Portions of 29 January 1979 Flight Examined in Figure 31

Pass	Period	Number of Samples	Average Temperature	Average Altitude (km)	Type
4	1845-1850Z	20	-48°C	7.7	In Cs near tops
5	1926-1934Z	32	-37	6.1	Skim. Cs/Cc tops
6	1943-1950Z	28	-31	5.2	Skim. Cs/Cc tops



Figure 29. Photo of Thin Cirrus Sam-
pled Above Main Cs Cloud, 29 January
at 1906Z. Dark blue sky at top. Near
37°47'N, 104°50'W



Figure 30. Photo of Main Cs Cloud
29 January at 1951Z. Sampling Pro-
ceeded Through Extreme Top of Cs
Shown. Near 35°28'N, 105°29'W.
Dark blue sky at top. Area of snow-
covered ground at bottom left

During Pass 4, sampling took place in relatively dense cirrus clouds in the tropics. A tail of fog appeared around the sun, since the sun was obscured by the higher portion of the Cs. The sun was visible at the top of the Cs and blue sky could occasionally be seen. By 1400 UTC, however, the height of the Cs had thinned considerably and much more blue sky could be seen through the thin cirrus filaments above.

Sampling during both Pass 5 and Pass 6 was in the thin cirrus clouds just above the main Cs and Ce. Occasionally one of the higher cirrus cloud masses above the bulk of lower clouds was penetrated. These consisted of thin filaments which resembled fog overlaying a body of water in a cold front. The tops of these filaments faded into the blue sky at or slightly above the sampling altitude.

Of the three passes the largest values of IWC were calculated for particles during Pass 4, as shown on Figure 31. The average IWC was $1.18 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ for Pass 4 and nearly an order of magnitude less for the other two passes.

As previously indicated, there was an extraordinarily high number of particles recorded in the Pass 4 Cs—more than $350,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$. The NT number class above $90,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ was also the predominant one having most individual samples during the other passes, although the average figures in these cases were not as great—78,000 and $73,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$.

The L_{max} histograms on Figure 31 show that the largest particles were recorded in Pass 4 going through Cs. About 15 percent of the particles were larger than $1100 \mu\text{m}$ and one 15 sec sample had an L_{max} exceeding $2000 \mu\text{m}$. The predominant L_{max} class for both the Pass 5 and 6 data was that bounded by 200 and $500 \mu\text{m}$.

The histograms showing median volume diameter, D_0 , on Figure 31 indicate a generally small range of occurrence. Most values of D_0 were less than $90 \mu\text{m}$, though one during Pass 6 was as great as $108 \mu\text{m}$. The averages of the three 29 January passes varied only from 46 through $67 \mu\text{m}$.

The differences in predominant form factor classes between the 3 passes indicate there were differences in typical number-size spectra. Some 50 percent of the form factors of the Pass 4 were less than 0.40, while about 40 percent of those during Pass 5 were equal to or greater than 0.71. Some of the differences are evident in the representative spectra for each of the passes shown in the following figures.

Figure 32 shows a particle spectrum representative of the predominant conditions recorded during the 1845 to 1850Z pass period on 29 January. Both this and the Figure 26 spectra were recorded in the upper parts of a Cs layer and both approximate an exponential decrease of particle number with increasing size. The median volume diameter of the Figure 32 data, however, is $82 \mu\text{m}$, while that

29 JAN 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DØ NT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 TYPE
 18:46:15 15 -47.7 11.7 .0405 8.7 310314 .38 BR

PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)									
SIZE (µM)	SCATTER PROBE (MU)	SIZE (µM)	CLOUD PERCENT (%)	PERCENT (%)	SIZE (µM)	PRECIP (µM)	PERCENT (%)	IWC (µM)	PERCENT (%)
2	3.71E+7	26	4.53E+6	4	437	0.64E+3	0	0	0
3	5.32E+7	47	4.34E+6	5	706	3.76E+3	0	0	0
5	9.91E+7	67	3.01E+6	7	1011	4.81E+3	0	0	0
7	1.59E+8	87	2.45E+6	9	1316	0	0	0	0
9	2.15E+8	108	1.62E+6	9	1622	0	0	0	0
11	2.80E+8	128	1.24E+6	10	1927	0	0	0	0
12	2.85E+8	148	7.37E+5	8	2233	0	0	0	0
14	1.53E+8	169	4.76E+5	7	2538	0	0	0	0
16	1.97E+8	189	3.75E+5	7	2843	0	0	0	0
18	1.77E+8	209	3.09E+5	7	3149	0	0	0	0
19	1.79E+8	230	2.13E+5	6	3454	0	0	0	0
21	1.75E+8	250	1.56E+5	6	3760	0	0	0	0
23	1.77E+8	271	1.15E+5	6	4065	0	0	0	0
25	1.25E+8	291	8.52E+4	5	4370	0	0	0	0
27	1.20E+8	311	5.84E+4	4	4676	0	0	0	0
IWC	1.24E-2		3.55E-2			5.04E-1			

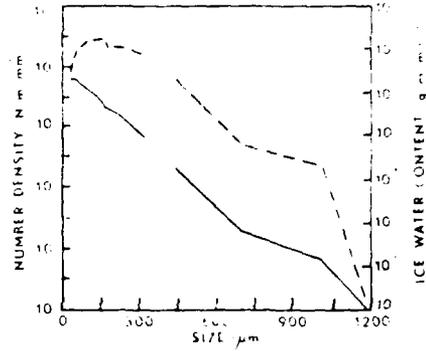


Figure 32. Representative Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 4 Through Tops of Moderately Dense Cs on 29 January 1979

29 JAN 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DØ NT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 TYPE
 19:29:00 15 -38.0 6.2 .0049 100 51 85531 .75 BR

PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)									
SIZE (µM)	SCATTER PROBE (MU)	SIZE (µM)	CLOUD PERCENT (%)	PERCENT (%)	SIZE (µM)	PRECIP (µM)	PERCENT (%)	IWC (µM)	PERCENT (%)
2	9.04E+5	26	1.35E+6	4	437	0	0	0	0
3	4.51E+6	47	1.44E+6	12	706	0	0	0	0
5	9.04E+6	67	1.23E+6	20	1011	0	0	0	0
7	1.36E+7	87	8.69E+5	24	1316	0	0	0	0
9	2.18E+7	108	3.42E+5	15	1622	0	0	0	0
11	2.44E+7	128	1.04E+5	11	1927	0	0	0	0
12	2.81E+7	148	6.15E+4	5	2233	0	0	0	0
14	7.27E+7	169	4.05E+4	4	2538	0	0	0	0
16	3.17E+7	189	1.09E+4	1	2843	0	0	0	0
18	1.99E+7	209	4.77E+3	1	3149	0	0	0	0
19	2.53E+7	230	1.31E+4	3	3454	0	0	0	0
21	3.26E+7	250	0	0	3760	0	0	0	0
23	3.17E+7	271	0	0	4065	0	0	0	0
25	2.01E+7	291	0	0	4370	0	0	0	0
27	2.35E+7	311	0	0	4676	0	0	0	0
IWC	2.15E-3		4.90E-3			0			

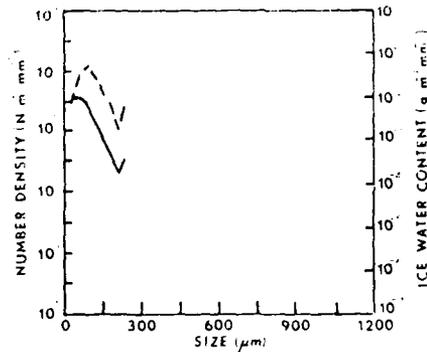


Figure 33. Representative Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 5 While Skimming Cs/CC Tops on 29 January 1979

29 JAN 9 START INTL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DTW NT FT FORT
 TIME SEC C KM G/M³ G/M³ M M PACE TIPS
 19:40:00 15 -31.0 5.2 .0034 100 44 9150 1.0 00

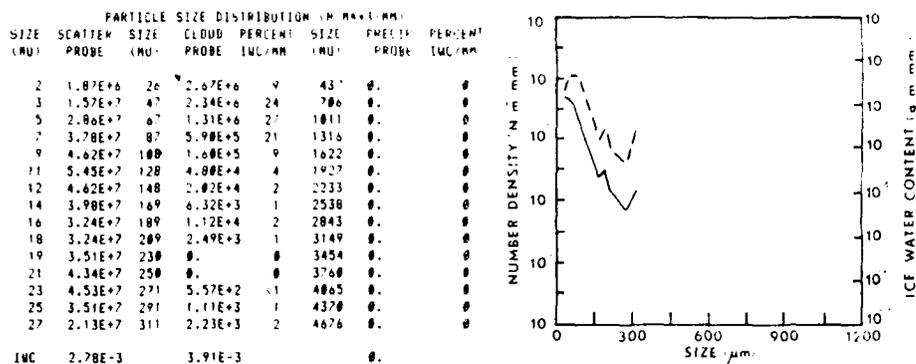


Figure 34. Representative Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 6 Through Thin Filaments on Top of Cs/Cc Layer on 29 January 1979

for Figure 26 is 136 μm . Figures 33 and 34 show another difference between the two sets of data. The number density is about one-fourth of that detected lower in the Cs, but still a large figure in comparison to our other flight data. As mentioned above, these large NTs are probably associated with the proximity of the surface storm and the fact that particles were being generated profusely.

6. 2 FEBRUARY 1979 FLIGHT AND DATA

The cirriform clouds sampled on 2 February were primarily associated with a weak cold front and a band of strong winds aloft over the southwestern part of the United States. The aircraft recorded winds in excess of 150 kt. Most of the sampling was accomplished at altitudes between 9 and 10 km MSL over the eastern part of New Mexico as shown in Figure 35.

6.1 Data Variations During the Flight

As previously indicated, and as shown in the top part of Figure 36, most of the sampling on 2 February was conducted near the 9-km MSL level. Free air temperatures recorded by the C-130 were between -38 and -44°C .

The plots of Parts (b) and (c) on Figure 36 show that the variation of ice water mass determined from the scatter probe (in Part b) and the cloud and precipitation probes (in Part c) were generally well correlated. Several IWC values from

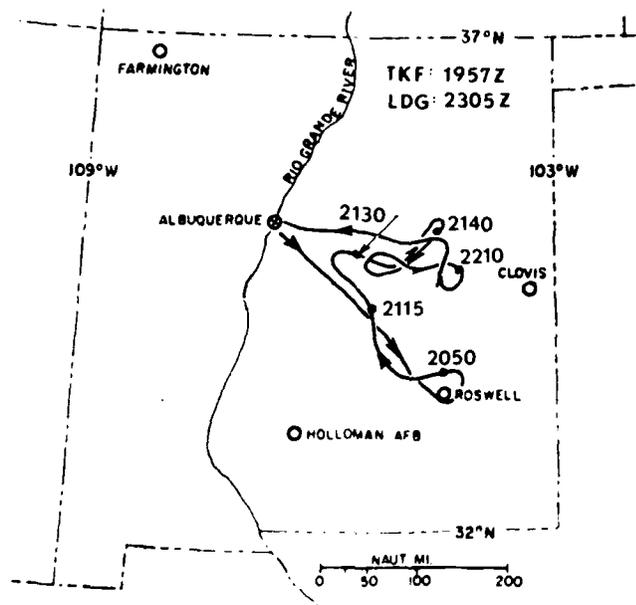


Figure 35. Flight Track of Sampling Aircraft on 2 February 1979. Numbers indicate times in GMT

the latter 2 probes reached as high as 0.005 g m^{-3} , while the peak values were 0.010 at 2108Z and 0.018 g m^{-3} at 2201Z. The relatively small amplitude swings in the IWC plot on Figure 29 indicate the cirriform clouds sampled on 2 February were more consistent and uniform over a given area than those examined on the other two days.

The median volume diameter, D_o , of individual 15-sec samples was generally less than $100 \mu\text{m}$ during most of this flight. As shown in Part d of Figure 29, none were as large as $150 \mu\text{m}$. There was more temporal variation in IWC value than in those of D_o , but this was to be anticipated since IWC varies with the third power of D_o .

There was extensive variation during the flight of the total number of particles detected in the 27 to $4700 \mu\text{m}$ range. Most values of NT were less than $60,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$, but there were two periods from 2107 to 2113Z and from 2201 to 2209Z when they were considerably greater. During the former period, the greatest single value was $156,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ at 2108:45Z, and during the latter period the maximum was $255,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ at 2201:15Z.

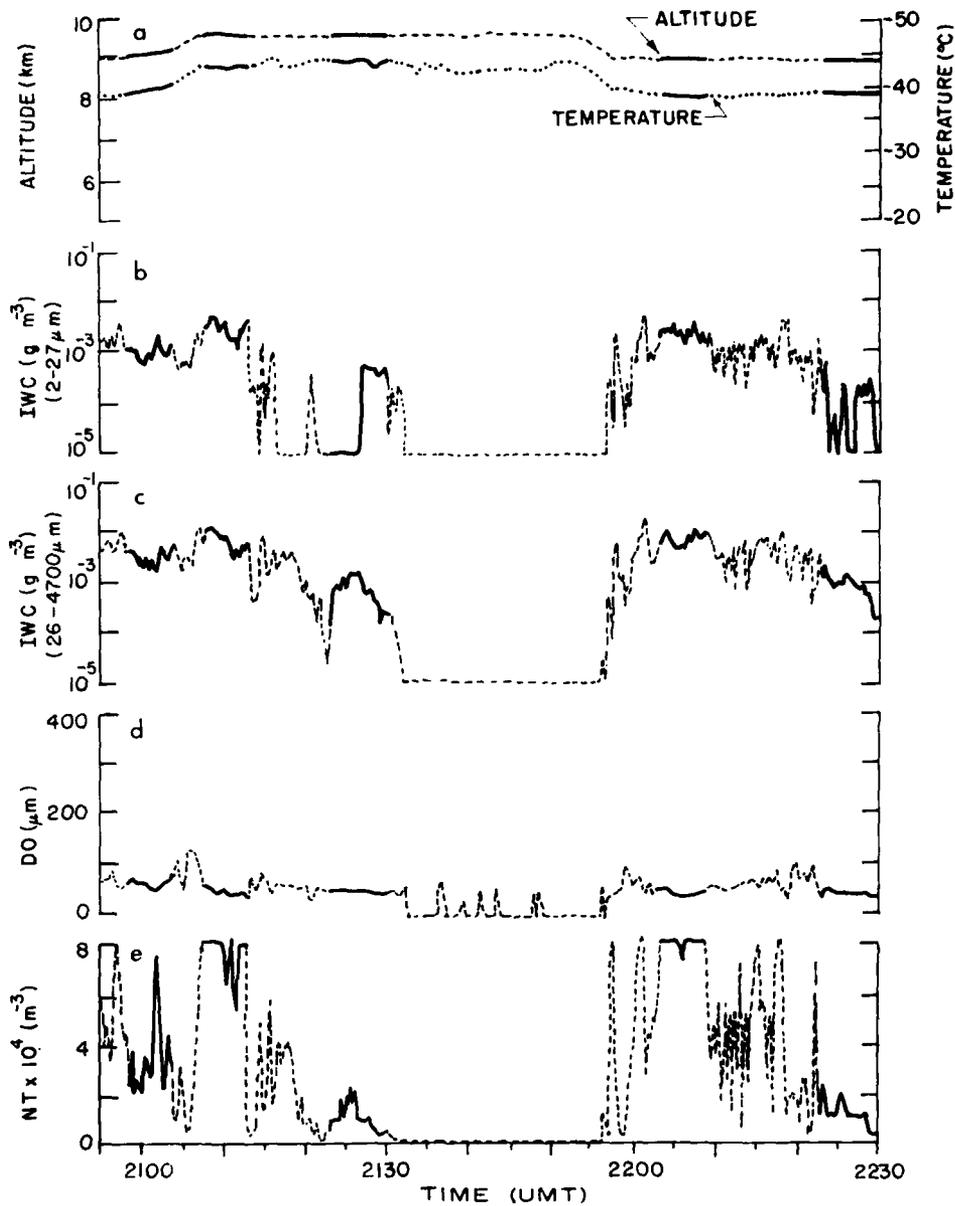


Figure 36. Variation With Time During 2 February 1979 Flight of (a) Aircraft Altitude and Temperature, (b) Ice Water Content from ASSP, (c) Ice Water Content from PMS Cloud, 1-D and Precipitation Probes, (d) Medium Volume Diameter of "Melted" Particles, (e) Total Number of Particles Over 47-4700 μm Range. Based on values of consecutive 15-sec samples. Solid lines indicate data of the 5 passes described in Table 3

6.2 Data for Particular Passes

Based on a review of the data variations on Figure 36 and of the tabulations in Appendix C, 5 periods of approximately 5 minutes or longer were selected for further examination. These were selected based on the relative homogeneity of the data. The periods selected are as given in Table 3. The frequencies of particular class values within these periods are shown in the histograms of Figure 37.

Table 3. Portions of 2 February 1979 Flight Examined in Figure 37

Pass Number	Period	Number of Samples	Average Temperature	Average Altitude (km)	Type
7	2058-2104Z	26	-39°C	9.2	Moderate heavy Cs
8	2108-2113Z	21	-43	9.6	In tops of Cs
9	2123-2130Z	28	-44	9.6	Very thin Ci
10	2203-2209Z	24	-38	9.0	Heavy Cs
11	2223-2229Z	25	-39	8.9	Very thin Ci

During Pass 7 of this report (the first on 2 February), the aircraft was flying along and in a band of Cs of varying density. Most of the calculated values of ice water content were in the relatively narrow range of 2 to $7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ as shown on the bottom line of Figure 37. The $64 \mu\text{m}$ mean D_o value and the $340 \mu\text{m}$ mean L_{max} value are the largest of those in the 5 passes examined here. The mean NT of $34,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ is less than the corresponding values near $48,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ detected in somewhat similar clouds in Passes 2 and 3 taken on 28 January 1979.

The data of Pass 8 were acquired while flying within about 1000 ft of the top of the Cs band. The sky was quite blue above and the ground was dimly visible, but horizontal visibility was greatly reduced. The mean D_o of $50 \mu\text{m}$ was the smallest of the five 2 February passes, but the mean particle count, NT, of $106,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$ was the largest.

Passes 9 and 11 were both made through very thin cirrus, and in both cases the mean number of particles detected was less than $13,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$, as indicated on Figure 37. Only Pass 1, when downward visibility was good, had a lower NT value. The greatest mean particle sizes, L_{MAX} , were 170 and $215 \mu\text{m}$. These are the smallest of the 11 cases considered in this report. The calculated IWC values of $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ or less are also the smallest ones in this report. While flying and acquiring data of Passes 9 and 11 the mission director noted that in the

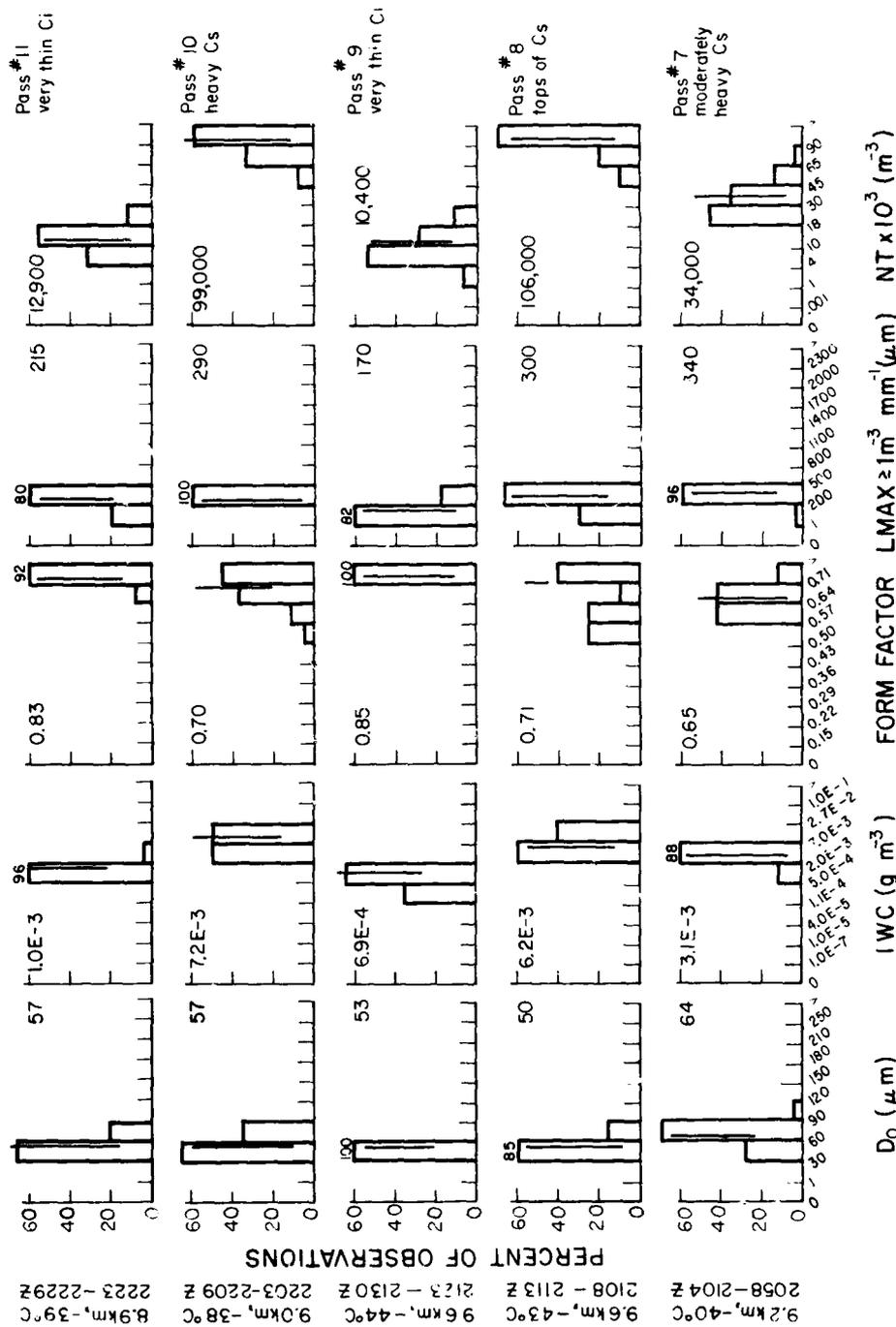


Figure 37. Percentage Frequency by Class of Five Measured or Calculated Variables. Based on total number of 15-sec mean values during 5 periods on 2 February 1979. Printed numbers and vertical lines are at 50 percentile values. These do not consider data in cloud-free areas

vicinity of the airplane there hardly seemed to be any cloud present at all. The data suggests that his observation might have been due to a lack of contrast with clouds all around.

The cloud sampled during Pass 10 was a relatively heavy cirrostratus that provided the highest mean IWC value of any of the five 2 February passes. The ground was only dimly visible and no blue sky could be seen, though the sun shone through the Cs. The number of particles detected in this case was $99,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$, only slightly less than that recorded during Pass 8.

Some representative particle data for the passes made on 2 February are given in the following figures. As in similar foregoing figures, the data have been averaged over a representative 15-sec segment of a particular pass period.

Data for the moderately heavy Cs samples on Pass 7 are shown in Figure 38. The largest particles detected were $437 \mu\text{m}$ in size, though there were very few of these. Particles in the 125 to $175 \mu\text{m}$ range made the greatest contribution to total calculated ice water content.

The spectrum given in Figure 39 has a maximum recorded particle size of $311 \mu\text{m}$, although the total particle count, NT, is in excess of $88,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$. There is a smooth decrease of particle counts as size increases, but without particles larger than $400 \mu\text{m}$, the form factor is a relatively high 0.70.

The greatest particle size recorded in the Figure 40 spectrum of very thin cirrus is $169 \mu\text{m}$. The bulk of the total IWC was contributed by particle sizes between 67 and $108 \mu\text{m}$. Since there are less than 10 channels of data in the cloud and precipitation probe ranges, the form factor computation is not necessarily meaningful. It does appear, however, that when few spectrometer channels have data, the form factor is quite high - above about 0.75.

There is considerable similarity between the spectra in Figures 39 and 41. In one case the NT is $88,000$ and in the other $100,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$. In both instances, the largest recorded particles were near $311 \mu\text{m}$, and in both the greatest contribution to IWC was made by particles in the approximate 50 - to 125 - μm range.

Both of the thin cirrus spectra shown in Figures 40 and 42 exhibit maximum sized particles near $200 \mu\text{m}$ or smaller. They also have a relatively small number of particle counts in the ~ 47 - 4700 - μm range, 8600 and $13,400 \text{ m}^{-3}$. Both also have high form factor values, though, as noted above these are based on a very small number of channels of data and hence are not very reliable.

02 FEB 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DB HT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 I/P TYPE
 20:50:45 15 -30.9 9.1 .0032 99 74 25403 .63 BR

PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)							
SIZE (MU)	SCATTER PROBE (MU)	SIZE (MU)	CLOUD PERCENT PROBE IWC/MM	PERCENT	SIZE (MU)	PRECIP PROBE IWC/MM	PERCENT
2	4.05E+6	26	0.	0	437	3.38E+0	0
3	1.25E+7	47	2.03E+5	4	706	0.	0
5	1.14E+7	67	1.99E+5	5	1011	0.	0
7	3.95E+7	87	1.71E+5	7	1316	0.	0
9	3.07E+7	100	1.34E+5	9	1622	0.	0
11	2.70E+7	120	1.69E+5	16	1927	0.	0
12	2.29E+7	140	1.07E+5	13	2233	0.	0
14	1.09E+7	169	8.61E+4	14	2538	0.	0
16	1.01E+7	189	4.42E+4	9	2843	0.	0
18	8.66E+6	209	1.77E+4	5	3149	0.	0
19	1.02E+7	230	1.65E+4	6	3454	0.	0
21	6.56E+6	250	6.21E+3	3	3760	0.	0
23	1.25E+7	271	5.50E+3	3	4065	0.	0
25	1.51E+7	291	4.07E+3	3	4370	0.	0
27	7.61E+6	311	4.31E+3	4	4676	0.	0
IWC	1.01E-3		3.17E-3			5.78E-6	

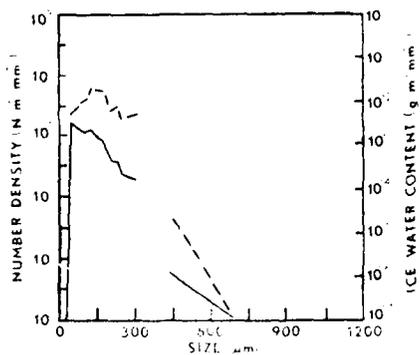


Figure 38. Representative Particle Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 7 Through Moderately Heavy Cs on 2 February 1979

02 FEB 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DB HT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 % CLD MU N/M**3 I/P TYPE
 21:11:00 15 -43.1 9.6 .0042 100 46 26329 .19 BR

PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)							
SIZE (MU)	SCATTER PROBE (MU)	SIZE (MU)	CLOUD PERCENT PROBE IWC/MM	PERCENT	SIZE (MU)	PRECIP PROBE IWC/MM	PERCENT
2	1.43E+6	26	3.13E+6	9	437	0.	0
3	9.27E+6	47	2.22E+6	21	706	0.	0
5	2.64E+7	67	1.19E+6	23	1011	0.	0
7	6.57E+7	87	5.07E+5	16	1316	0.	0
9	7.14E+7	100	2.33E+5	11	1622	0.	0
11	5.43E+7	120	8.08E+4	6	1927	0.	0
12	4.21E+7	140	4.47E+4	4	2233	0.	0
14	3.43E+7	169	1.44E+4	2	2538	0.	0
16	3.64E+7	189	1.04E+4	2	2843	0.	0
18	3.20E+7	209	9.43E+3	2	3149	0.	0
19	3.57E+7	230	6.22E+3	2	3454	0.	0
21	4.00E+7	250	2.31E+3	1	3760	0.	0
23	2.93E+7	271	1.41E+3	1	4065	0.	0
25	2.43E+7	291	8.65E+2	<1	4370	0.	0
27	4.29E+6	311	5.30E+2	<1	4676	0.	0
IWC	2.11E-3		4.25E-3			0.	

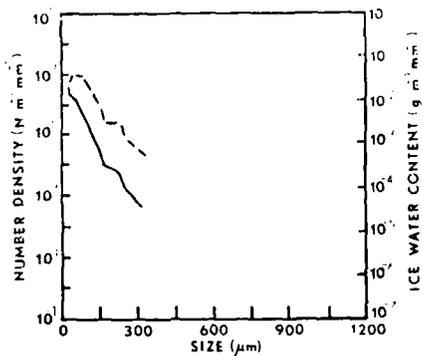


Figure 39. Representative Particle Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 8 in Tops of Cs on 2 February 1979

02 FEB 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DB WT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 Z CLD MU M/M**3 TYPE
 21:27:00 15 44.0 9.6 .0006 100 55 8590 .85 BR

SIZE (MU)	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)		CLOUD PERCENT		PRECIP PERCENT	
	SCATTER PROBE	SIZE (MU)	PROBE	PERCENT IWC/MM	SIZE (MU)	PERCENT IWC/MM
2	0.	26	1.37E+5	3	437	0.
3	0.	47	1.00E+5	7	706	0.
5	2.93E+5	67	3.43E+4	12	1011	0.
7	1.10E+7	87	1.00E+5	25	1316	0.
9	1.47E+7	100	7.07E+4	20	1622	0.
11	1.83E+7	120	2.79E+4	14	1927	0.
12	2.27E+7	140	1.50E+4	11	2233	0.
14	1.47E+7	169	1.65E+3	1	2530	0.
16	1.25E+7	189	0.	0	2843	0.
18	0.80E+6	209	0.	0	3149	0.
19	0.79E+6	230	0.	0	3454	0.
21	6.59E+6	250	0.	0	3760	0.
23	5.07E+6	271	0.	0	4065	0.
25	6.59E+6	291	0.	0	4370	0.
27	5.07E+6	311	0.	0	4676	0.
IWC	6.32E-4	5.92E-4	0.			

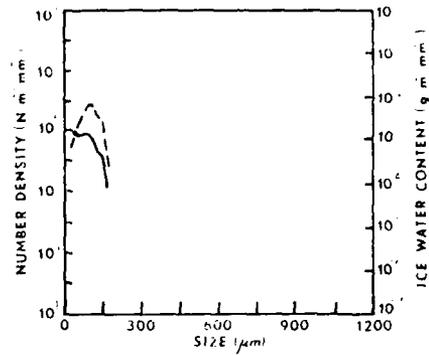


Figure 40. Representative Particle Spectrum for a 15-Sec Interval During Pass 9 In Very Thin Ci on 2 February 1979

02 FEB 79 START INTVL TEMP ALT IWC IWC DB WT FF PART
 TIME SEC C KM G/M**3 Z CLD MU M/M**3 TYPE
 22:07:00 15 -30.3 9.0 .0006 100 53 109551 .72 BR

SIZE (MU)	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (N/M**3-MM)		CLOUD PERCENT		PRECIP PERCENT	
	SCATTER PROBE	SIZE (MU)	PROBE	PERCENT IWC/MM	SIZE (MU)	PERCENT IWC/MM
2	0.	26	1.06E+6	4	437	0.
3	1.33E+7	47	1.00E+6	12	706	0.
5	1.40E+7	67	1.24E+6	17	1011	0.
7	3.04E+7	87	9.20E+5	21	1316	0.
9	3.53E+7	100	6.20E+5	22	1622	0.
11	4.06E+7	120	2.07E+5	10	1927	0.
12	3.10E+7	140	7.04E+4	5	2233	0.
14	2.51E+7	169	2.14E+4	2	2530	0.
16	2.36E+7	189	2.15E+4	2	2843	0.
18	2.29E+7	209	1.56E+4	2	3149	0.
19	2.14E+7	230	1.00E+4	2	3454	0.
21	2.51E+7	250	2.30E+3	1	3760	0.
23	2.01E+7	271	1.46E+3	<1	4065	0.
25	2.29E+7	291	0.93E+2	<1	4370	0.
27	1.55E+7	311	5.47E+2	<1	4676	0.
IWC	1.02E-3	5.00E-3	0.			

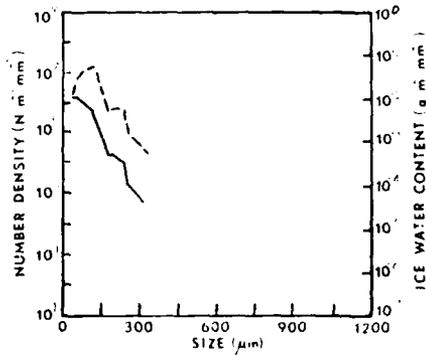


Figure 41. Representative Particle Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 10 Through Heavy Cs on 2 February 1979

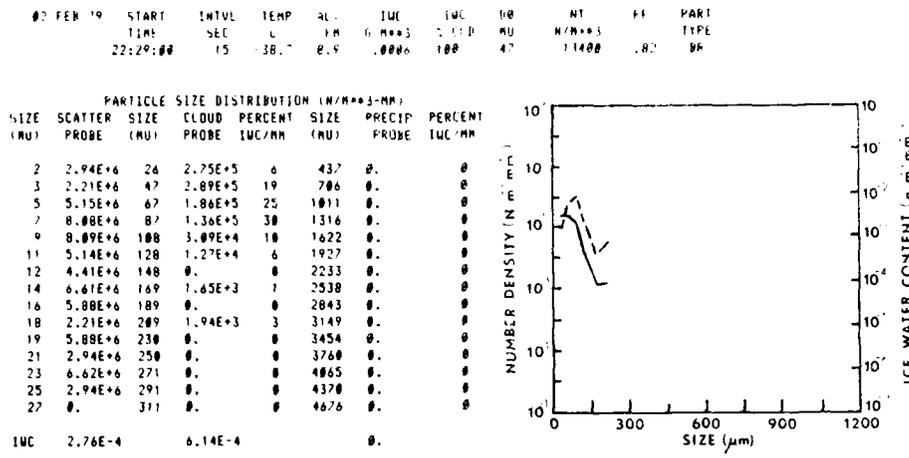


Figure 42. Representative Particle Spectrum for a 15-sec Interval During Pass 11 in Very Thin Ci on 2 February 1979

7. SUBVISIBLE CIRRUS

Barnes²¹ and Cohen and Barnes⁶ have observed two types of subvisible cirrus. The most frequent type is a continuous background of particles in the smallest channels of the ASSP (2 to 12 μm). This type of distribution has frequently been observed in extensive cloud-free areas sampled by the MC-130E during calibration flights or while en route to or from sampling locations. It was thought to be noise, but data-free periods, such as seen in Figure 36, have shown the data to be real. A second type of subvisible cirrus consists of isolated ice crystals, generally 100 μm or greater in diameter, occasionally exceeding 1000 μm. They have been detected on the PMS 1-D and 2-D probes and visually verified on the snow stick. Although generally observed while under cirrus clouds, they have also been found with no cloud above the airplane. They may form in moist layers high in the troposphere and fall to lower layers. In the Arctic region, they fall to the surface and are called "diamond dust." In warmer climates, they melt, evaporate, or are lost among other aerosols (fog, dust, sea spray, pollution, and so on) before reaching the surface.

Although the purpose of these flights was to obtain data in clouds, there were periods during which the airplane was in what appeared to be clear air. During

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those times, there were occasions when particles were detected which indicated the presence of subvisible cirrus.

During three short periods on 28 January (2115:00 to 2121:45Z, 2129:15 to 2132:15Z, and 2205:00 to 2208:15Z), the airplane appeared to be in clear air, yet particles were detected. During the first and second, no small particles appeared on the ASSP, but a few larger particles (probably fallout from higher clouds) typical of the second type of subvisible cirrus were recorded. During the third period, the ASSP detected only a background of small particles typical of the first type of subvisible cirrus.

On 29 January, from 1901:45 to 1919:00Z, the ASSP showed results similar to those observed during the third period on 28 January but in addition, individual particles were also detected by the cloud and precipitation probes.

On 2 February (see Figure 36), from 2131:15 to 2157:00Z, no small particles were detected by the ASSP, but some subvisible cirrus particles greater than $50 \mu\text{m}$ in diameter were recorded by the cloud probe. The density of $50\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ particles was 21 m^{-3} . Particles greater than $100 \mu\text{m}$ had a density of 7 m^{-3} , which is considerably higher than the 0.12 m^{-3} found by Barnes²¹ in a cloud-free atmosphere at 5 km on 2 February 1980, using a modified 2-D precipitation probe. The larger number of subvisible cirrus particles may be due to additional moisture in the air due to the presence of visible clouds in the vicinity.

8. CONCLUDING COMMENTS

The three cirriform cloud sampling flights of 28 and 29 January and 2 February 1979 have added considerably to the small base of such data now available. The first and third flights were made in the vicinity of bands of cirriform clouds ahead of surface systems and close to jet stream winds. In the first case, the surface systems were intensifying, while in the third case, they were weak and dissipating. The second flight was made through the top portions of Cs and Cc clouds at the top of an active surface storm.

The 28 January flight encountered a variety of types of cirrostratus. The presence of larger particles at certain times during that flight indicate that aggregation of smaller particles into larger particles was probably occurring. We attribute this to the deepening of the low pressure areas to the south and west of the sampling area.

The 29 January flight through the top of the storm provided quite high particle counts, sometimes exceeding $300,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$. Even with this large number, however, the particle sizes were seldom greater than $1100 \mu\text{m}$, while typical ice water contents were near 0.03 g m^{-3} . Since the tropopause was relatively low on this day, we were able to acquire data at temperatures as low as -48°C . The large

number of particles detected may have been related both to their generation in or near the storm and also to the fact that we were able to sample at colder locations in the cloud than usually possible with the C-130.

The cirrostratus layers sampled on 28 January and 2 February were of different consistencies, although the in-flight meteorologist occasionally noted they were both heavy or moderately heavy cloud forms. On the first day, with a developing storm in the area, the largest particle sizes in two passes through or along the Cs were near $1400 \mu\text{m}$, while mean IWC values were 1 to $2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ and the median volume diameter was 130 to $140 \mu\text{m}$.

The Cs on 2 February with only weak, dissipating surface systems in the area, had maximum particle sizes near or less than $500 \mu\text{m}$ and a mean IWC of $7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g m}^{-3}$ or less. Median volume diameters were also generally less than $90 \mu\text{m}$. Pass 10 on 2 February was considered by the mission director to be a sample of heavy Cs, while Passes 9 and 11 were through very thin cirriform clouds. It is interesting that the largest particles detected, L_{max} , in each of these cases were not significantly different. The median volume diameters were also near $55 \mu\text{m}$ in each of the 3 cases. However, the number of particles, NT, was much greater, $99,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$, in the heavy Cs case, while the thinner cirrus examples had mean NT less than $13,000 \text{ m}^{-3}$. The larger particle count in the heavy Cs case also resulted in a greater ice mass than in the cases of the thinner cloud samples.

This is the first report in this series that has described and discussed total particle counts (NT), maximum particle size (L_{max}) and form factor (FF). As described above, the NT and L_{max} aid considerably in efforts to characterize particle data. The form factor has also been found useful in understanding the variation of particle spectra. Form factor values in the relatively low range of 0.20 to 0.45 are frequently associated with approximately exponential decreases of particle numbers out to sizes as large as 1000 to $2000 \mu\text{m}$ (in cirrus samples). Values of FF above approximately 0.70 are often related to spectra that extend only to particle sizes of $300 \mu\text{m}$ or less. Form factor calculations based on data from less than about 10 spectrometer channels are less reliable and meaningful, but a small number of cases indicates that, even here, high values of FF are associated with abbreviated spectra.

Two types of subvisible cirrus were detected during these flights. A continuous background of small particles was observed while in clear air during the first two flights. Occasional larger particles were observed in clear air on all three days.

Cirrus flights were conducted on the three days immediately following the 2 February flight. The results of these flights will be discussed in a future report.

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Appendix A

28 January 1979 Data Tabulations

The example below explains the data format used in the tabulations that follow. The comments provided are from notes made during the flight by the mission director.

① START TIME	② ALT KM	③ 02 FEB 79 TEMP C	④ IWC-SC G/M ³	⑤ IWC-CP G/M ³	⑥ 15 SECOND IWC % CLD	⑦ AVERAGE DO UM	⑧ NT M/M ³	⑨ LMAX UM	⑩ FF
20:55:00	9.1	-38.7	.0016	.0038	99	69	35385	437	.64
20:55:15	9.1	-38.5	.0019	.0042	100	63	52414	311	.65
20:55:30	9.1	-38.4	.0025	.0050	99	69	58656	437	.56
20:55:45	9.1	-38.4	.0016	.0052	99	77	39564	437	.61
20:56:00	9.1	-38.5	.0013	.0044	100	71	46072	311	.57
20:56:15	9.1	-38.6	.0013	.0037	100	70	34446	311	.63
20:56:30	9.1	-38.8	.0020	.0043	99	84	32615	437	.56
20:56:45	9.1	-38.8	.0014	.0052	99	72	45554	437	.63
20:57:00	9.1	-38.9	.0028	.0065	99	61	91805	437	.59

1. Start time of sample. End was 14 sec later. Time in UMT.
2. Mean altitude of sample (km).
3. Mean temperature of sample (°C).
4. Date of sampling.
5. Ice water content in g/m³ calculated over 2 to 27- μ m range of scatter probe.

6. Ice water content in g/m^3 calculated over 26 to 4700- μm range of cloud and precip probes.
7. Duration of each sample (sec).
8. Percent of total ice water content of 6 determined from cloud probe only.
9. Median volume diameter of equivalently melted particles. (D_0 in the text)
10. Particle number total $/\text{m}^3$ over 47 to 4700 μm size range. (The first channel of the cloud probe is not used to compute this value.)
11. Greatest size having ≥ 1 particle $\text{m}^{-3} \text{mm}^{-1}$ (in μm).
12. Form Factor (see text).

START TIME	ALT KM	TEMP C	IUC-SC G/M ³	15 SECOND AVERAGE				DO UN	NT M/N*3	LMAX UN	FF
				IUC-CP G/M ³	IUC G/M ³	CLD X	UN				
21:15:00	7.8	-31.4	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:15:15	7.8	-31.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:15:30	7.8	-31.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:15:45	7.8	-30.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:16:00	7.8	-31.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	3	0.00	0.00	
21:16:15	7.8	-31.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:16:30	7.9	-31.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:16:45	7.9	-31.5	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:17:00	7.9	-31.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:17:15	7.9	-31.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:17:30	7.9	-31.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:17:45	8.0	-31.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	2	0.00	0.00	
21:18:00	8.0	-32.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:18:15	8.0	-31.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:18:30	8.0	-30.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:18:45	8.0	-30.6	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:19:00	8.0	-30.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:19:15	8.0	-30.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:19:30	8.0	-30.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:19:45	8.1	-30.5	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:20:00	8.1	-30.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	
21:20:15	8.1	-30.4	0.0000	0.0002	0.0000	92	123	1349	437	.38	
21:20:30	8.1	-30.5	0.0001	0.0002	0.0000	94	104	544	437	.64	
21:20:45	8.1	-30.4	0.0000	0.0001	0.0000	100	69	1281	169	.77	
21:21:00	8.2	-30.4	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:21:15	8.2	-30.1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:21:30	8.2	-30.6	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:21:45	8.2	-30.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:22:00	8.2	-30.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0007	9	248	395	1316	.31	
21:22:15	8.2	-31.0	0.0021	0.0112	0.0000	6	368	8519	2233	.14	
21:22:30	8.3	-31.4	0.0024	0.0117	0.0000	24	198	20166	1622	.21	
21:22:45	8.3	-31.8	0.0034	0.0108	0.0000	55	136	23836	1011	.41	
21:23:00	8.4	-32.3	0.0014	0.0045	0.0000	82	113	23384	706	.48	
21:23:15	8.4	-32.4	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	90	64	1227	437	.44	
21:23:30	8.4	-32.2	0.0000	0.0001	0.0000	100	133	473	311	.43	
21:23:45	8.4	-31.9	0.0002	0.0005	0.0000	100	89	3195	311	.61	
21:24:00	8.4	-32.0	0.0002	0.0009	0.0000	100	87	4684	311	.65	
21:24:15	8.4	-32.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	63	469	169	.74	
21:24:30	8.4	-32.0	0.0003	0.0011	0.0000	99	107	4537	437	.60	
21:24:45	8.4	-32.1	0.0006	0.0037	0.0000	65	123	8934	1011	.43	
21:25:00	8.5	-32.0	0.0025	0.0143	0.0000	19	227	16255	1316	.26	
21:25:15	8.5	-32.3	0.0005	0.0021	0.0000	65	125	5882	706	.43	
21:25:30	8.6	-32.6	0.0002	0.0005	0.0000	99	92	2435	437	.63	
21:25:45	8.6	-32.7	0.0004	0.0011	0.0000	99	100	4074	437	.67	
21:26:00	8.6	-32.9	0.0000	0.0002	0.0000	100	124	877	311	.49	
21:26:15	8.6	-33.2	0.0001	0.0003	0.0000	100	94	1536	311	.59	
21:26:30	8.6	-33.1	0.0006	0.0023	0.0000	99	111	7746	437	.64	
21:26:45	8.6	-33.3	0.0003	0.0008	0.0000	100	79	5258	250	.73	
21:27:00	8.6	-33.5	0.0011	0.0044	0.0000	98	108	19171	437	.57	
21:27:15	8.6	-33.5	0.0003	0.0011	0.0000	97	89	4751	437	.66	
21:27:30	8.7	-33.6	0.0000	0.0002	0.0000	100	83	1173	250	.73	
21:27:45	8.7	-33.5	0.0001	0.0008	0.0000	100	76	5177	311	.57	
21:28:00	8.7	-33.4	0.0002	0.0007	0.0000	100	85	3401	311	.49	
21:28:15	8.6	-33.3	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00	
21:28:30	8.6	-33.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	56	140	108	1.58	
21:28:45	8.6	-33.2	0.0004	0.0010	0.0000	83	84	7556	706	.36	

Heading 090° (East); 31°48'N, 105°32'W, TAS 220 kt. GS 320 kt. Cirrus layer above.

Within 2-3,000 ft of cirrus above, but no particle counts yet.

Breaks in the cirrostratus above. Blue sky occasionally visible

At 31° 47'N, 105°09'W.

Getting very near cirriform cloud base.

About to pass through a jagged piece of the Cs base.
At 31°46'N, 104°45'W. Ground and horizon are dimly visible through cirrostratus base that is nearly without texture. Not possible to estimate tops.

Moved out of thicker cloud, but more is coming.

At 31°48'N, 104°31'W. Cirriform cloud base now about 1000 ft above. Visibility is less ahead.

In milky textured cloud now.

Apparently getting larger counts now. Climbing.

Breaks of blue sky through relatively light cirriform clouds above.

At 31°51'N, 104°06'W. Wind measured to be 241°/141 kt.
A layer of altocumulus is several thousand feet below. Base of visible Cs is about 1000 ft above the aircraft.

28 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE				28 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE				28 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE					
START TIME	ALT	TEMP	IUC-SC	IUC-CP	IUC	DO	NT	LMAX	FF	START TIME	ALT	TEMP	IUC-SC	IUC-CP	IUC	DO	NT	LMAX	FF
		C	B/H+3	B/H+3	Z	CLD	UH	N/H+3	UH			C	B/H+3	B/H+3	Z	CLD	UH	N/H+3	UH
21:29:00	8.7	-33.4	-0.009	-0.040	60	129	11193	1011	.37										
21:29:15	8.7	-33.5	-0.000	0.000	0	0	295	437	.44										
21:29:30	8.7	-33.4	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:29:45	8.7	-33.8	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:30:00	8.7	-33.9	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:30:15	8.7	-33.9	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:30:30	8.7	-33.6	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:30:45	8.6	-33.0	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:31:00	8.6	-32.8	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	7	0.00										
21:31:15	8.6	-32.6	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:31:30	8.6	-32.6	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:31:45	8.6	-32.6	0.000	0.000	100	49	809	128	.80										
21:32:00	8.6	-32.6	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:32:15	8.5	-32.4	-0.000	-0.001	15	316	38	706	.40										
21:32:30	8.5	-32.4	-0.017	-0.04	59	131	29134	1011	.38										
21:32:45	8.5	-32.3	-0.033	-0.130	82	118	48676	706	.46										
21:33:00	8.5	-32.3	-0.001	-0.001	96	50	1075	437	.54										
21:33:15	8.5	-32.3	-0.000	0.000	100	51	103	87	1.00										
21:33:30	8.5	-32.1	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:33:45	8.5	-32.0	0.000	-0.001	38	319	43	706	.55										
21:34:00	8.5	-32.0	0.000	0.000	0	242	2	437	1.41										
21:34:15	8.5	-32.2	0.000	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.00										
21:34:30	8.5	-32.1	-0.003	-0.017	50	140	4372	1011	.30										
21:34:45	8.5	-32.0	-0.044	-0.175	63	128	50424	1011	.41										
21:35:00	8.5	-32.1	-0.039	-0.163	72	124	43049	706	.48										
21:35:15	8.5	-32.1	-0.036	-0.158	80	113	50218	706	.49										
21:35:30	8.5	-32.0	-0.080	-0.305	74	122	88315	1011	.47										
21:35:45	8.5	-32.0	-0.052	-0.210	81	115	70952	706	.49										
21:36:00	8.5	-32.1	-0.032	-0.140	74	115	47303	1011	.45										
21:36:15	8.5	-32.1	-0.049	-0.255	65	126	66775	1011	.44										
21:36:30	8.5	-32.1	-0.043	-0.168	71	121	47372	1316	.45										
21:36:45	8.5	-32.0	-0.035	-0.143	81	117	43060	706	.51										
21:37:00	8.4	-31.9	-0.010	-0.025	74	121	8414	706	.44										
21:37:15	8.5	-31.9	-0.004	-0.012	66	130	4319	706	.40										
21:37:30	8.5	-32.0	-0.006	-0.014	86	85	8220	706	.43										
21:37:45	8.5	-32.0	-0.011	-0.047	72	119	13812	706	.46										
21:38:00	8.5	-32.0	-0.006	-0.033	55	136	5303	1011	.49										
21:38:15	8.5	-32.1	-0.007	-0.042	52	138	7473	1011	.43										
21:38:30	8.5	-32.0	-0.031	-0.167	56	134	46147	1011	.36										
21:38:45	8.5	-31.8	-0.079	-0.340	46	148	66408	1011	.37										
21:39:00	8.5	-31.5	-0.135	-0.862	27	202	132399	2538	.15										
21:39:15	8.5	-31.7	-0.107	-0.765	32	184	138669	2233	.20										
21:39:30	8.5	-31.6	-0.107	-0.593	34	181	123978	2233	.20										
21:39:45	8.5	-31.9	-0.068	-0.356	51	139	71952	1316	.38										
21:40:00	8.5	-31.8	-0.099	-0.351	59	130	93211	1316	.39										
21:40:15	8.5	-32.0	-0.063	-0.301	50	140	63290	1011	.39										
21:40:30	8.5	-31.8	-0.073	-0.345	57	133	85994	1316	.39										
21:40:45	8.5	-31.9	-0.072	-0.300	66	129	75690	1011	.45										
21:41:00	8.4	-31.8	-0.047	-0.187	84	116	58109	706	.53										
21:41:15	8.4	-31.8	-0.023	-0.122	75	122	32940	706	.50										
21:41:30	8.4	-31.7	-0.063	-0.230	53	138	58456	1011	.39										
21:41:45	8.4	-31.6	-0.053	-0.198	39	142	41675	1011	.34										
21:42:00	8.4	-31.7	-0.017	-0.087	52	138	18644	1316	.37										
21:42:15	8.4	-31.6	-0.060	-0.291	53	137	60939	1316	.41										
21:42:30	8.4	-31.7	-0.048	-0.198	34	174	33933	1011	.33										
21:42:45	8.4	-31.7	-0.054	-0.134	24	213	29575	1316	.72										

At 31°51'N, 103°58'W. Visibility is good, but Ac undercast obscures ground. A few patches of blue sky through Cs above.

Between cloud layers. Probably very few particle counts now. Will pass through a piece of Cs base soon.

Complete undercast below.

At 31°49'N, 103°38'W. Wind is 245°/138 kt. Very dark cloud ahead.

Visibility has improved. Very near base of Cs overcast.

At 31°48'N, 103°29'W.

Momentarily between layers. Nearing dark cloud ahead.

Can't see ground through undercast.

Visibility approximately 1 mi, but nothing to gauge against.

Milky white in all directions.

Still very foggy, only a hint of blue sky above.

Beginning a left turn at 31°45'N, 103°07'W. Wind 245°/142 kt

Still in heavy Cs. Visibility difficult to gauge.

Visibility very low. No breaks of blue above.

Foggy white in all directions, but can see texture of Ac below. At 31°56'N, 102°02'W

Wind 245°/134 kt, heading 210°, GS 100 kt.

Approximately in middle of Cs layer. Can see sun shining dimly above. Nothing to see for a picture.

28 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE									
START TIME	ALT KM	TEMP C	TUC-SC G/1000	TUC-CP G/1000	TUC Z CLD	DO UN	NT M/1000	LMAX UR	FF		
21:43:00	8.4	-31.8	.0030	.0135	19	214	26148	1316	.23		
21:43:15	8.4	-31.9	.0035	.0137	13	230	18745	2233	.18		
21:43:30	8.4	-32.1	.0010	.0021	24	195	4641	1316	.22		
21:43:45	8.4	-32.0	.0015	.0059	23	194	6849	1316	.30		
21:44:00	8.4	-31.8	.0007	.0038	34	171	5578	1011	.37		
21:44:15	8.4	-32.1	.0007	.0057	56	136	7905	1011	.54		
21:44:30	8.5	-32.6	.0038	.0200	83	116	48450	706	.58		
21:44:45	8.5	-32.8	.0030	.0158	74	120	34272	706	.54		
21:45:00	8.5	-32.8	.0009	.0038	54	137	9656	1011	.39		
21:45:15	8.4	-32.8	.0036	.0174	63	126	71956	1011	.33		
21:45:30	8.6	-32.8	.0059	.0252	72	112	101685	706	.39		
21:45:45	8.6	-33.0	.0035	.0148	70	122	39248	1011	.46		
21:46:00	8.6	-33.1	.0023	.0121	68	126	24017	1011	.52		
21:46:15	8.6	-33.5	.0031	.0176	45	151	28160	1011	.43		
21:46:30	8.7	-33.5	.0035	.0184	59	132	39885	1011	.44		
21:46:45	8.7	-34.1	.0048	.0255	51	139	47705	1316	.43		
21:47:00	8.7	-34.1	.0058	.0265	48	144	47046	1316	.42		
21:47:15	8.8	-34.2	.0061	.0272	39	162	52506	1316	.35		
21:47:30	8.8	-34.2	.0069	.0282	81	103	110194	706	.45		
21:47:45	8.8	-34.6	.0053	.0219	70	128	50463	706	.50		
21:48:00	8.9	-34.8	.0053	.0237	78	110	75902	706	.48		
21:48:15	8.9	-34.7	.0081	.0272	40	161	66294	1316	.31		
21:48:30	8.9	-35.1	.0043	.0096	31	177	22555	1011	.29		
21:48:45	8.9	-35.2	.0035	.0180	61	132	37942	1011	.47		
21:49:00	8.9	-35.3	.0037	.0113	63	128	30894	706	.42		
21:49:15	8.9	-35.2	.0103	.0458	59	131	94240	2538	.25		
21:49:30	8.9	-35.3	.0089	.0408	70	123	102271	1011	.48		
21:49:45	9.0	-35.6	.0069	.0282	81	103	110194	706	.45		
21:50:00	8.9	-35.6	.0026	.0104	73	117	41456	1316	.34		
21:50:15	8.9	-35.6	.0019	.0070	62	127	20382	1011	.40		
21:50:30	9.0	-35.7	.0007	.0023	39	161	24680	1011	.46		
21:50:45	9.0	-36.0	.0001	.0003	56	136	351	706	.65		
21:51:00	9.0	-36.1	.0010	.0018	99	52	32210	437	.78		
21:51:15	9.0	-36.1	.0010	.0020	100	53	34776	230	.74		
21:51:30	9.0	-35.9	.0005	.0009	99	57	13654	437	.73		
21:51:45	9.0	-36.2	.0001	.0003	96	100	1440	437	.50		
21:52:00	9.1	-36.7	.0001	.0004	89	106	1619	437	.50		
21:52:15	9.2	-37.3	.0001	.0004	92	130	1730	437	.49		
21:52:30	9.1	-37.2	.0003	.0008	55	133	2095	706	.37		
21:52:45	9.1	-36.8	.0012	.0053	36	170	9473	1316	.30		
21:53:00	9.1	-37.1	.0049	.0219	49	143	72833	1316	.25		
21:53:15	9.1	-36.8	.0064	.0363	46	149	70540	1622	.34		
21:53:30	9.1	-37.1	.0080	.0388	60	127	124760	1316	.34		
21:53:45	9.1	-37.1	.0062	.0196	64	107	142307	1316	.21		
21:54:00	9.2	-37.1	.0050	.0192	53	134	79010	1316	.23		
21:54:15	9.2	-37.1	.0039	.0146	63	114	79981	1316	.24		
21:54:30	9.2	-37.2	.0036	.0118	54	126	72668	1316	.17		
21:54:45	9.2	-37.2	.0040	.0133	68	112	79583	706	.30		
21:55:00	9.2	-37.0	.0015	.0051	54	131	28110	1011	.22		
21:55:15	9.2	-37.1	.0009	.0034	43	140	21234	1011	.17		
21:55:30	9.2	-37.0	.0012	.0037	64	103	27191	1011	.21		
21:55:45	9.2	-37.0	.0013	.0022	86	72	25957	706	.33		
21:56:00	9.2	-36.7	.0008	.0013	93	67	15458	437	.58		
21:56:15	9.2	-36.6	.0030	.0053	99	57	81100	437	.54		
21:56:30	9.2	-36.8	.0015	.0027	99	54	41035	437	.54		
21:56:45	9.2	-36.4	.0002	.0004	64	88	4211	706	.22		

Heading 200°, TAS 235 kt., IAS 195, 103°45'W, wind 140°172 kt.

Still dense Cs, no breaks. No accumulation of particles on smw stick.

At 31°45'N, 103°08'W, GS 86 kt. Climbing.

Still heavy Cs. No breaks.

Heading 251°, GS 105 kt, at 31°45'N, 103°12'W.

Still dense cloud, no texture.

Interior of Cs slightly brighter now. At 31°48'N, 103°17'W. Cloud tops about 2-3000 ft above aircraft.

Can see texture of Ac below. Turning to left.

Visibility good to north. Can see Ac below, Cs above. Approaching more dense cloud.

Sun dimly visible. No texture to feony cloud.

At 31°37'N, 103°00'W. Heading 165°. Sun fairly bright, but aircraft is not yet near Cs top. No accumulation on smw stick.

START TIME	ALT KM	TEMP C	INC-SC B/R/33	15 SECOND AVERAGE			FF	
				INC-CP B/R/33	IUC	CLD		
21:57:00	9.2	-36.4	.0063	.0010	82	75	10144	.31
21:57:15	9.2	-36.4	.0006	.0015	77	106	7327	706
21:57:30	9.1	-36.3	.0012	.0047	65	122	14478	1011
21:57:45	9.0	-36.4	.0025	.0114	57	131	38208	1011
21:58:00	9.0	-35.9	.0041	.0174	58	128	49663	1316
21:58:15	9.0	-35.8	.0074	.0280	62	114	141666	1316
21:58:30	8.9	-35.5	.0052	.0192	57	130	95519	1011
21:58:45	8.9	-35.5	.0012	.0032	58	129	9332	1011
21:59:00	8.9	-35.4	.0007	.0013	70	115	4305	706
21:59:15	8.9	-35.3	.0001	.0003	95	108	1641	437
21:59:30	8.9	-35.4	.0001	.0005	97	102	3471	437
21:59:45	8.9	-35.2	.0001	.0003	42	256	1007	706
22:00:00	8.9	-35.4	.0003	.0010	49	142	2128	706
22:00:15	8.9	-35.5	.0021	.0059	50	141	17085	1316
22:00:30	8.9	-35.6	.0033	.0116	59	130	33157	1011
22:00:45	8.9	-35.5	.0025	.0096	68	123	32134	1011
22:01:00	8.9	-35.1	.0033	.0135	74	110	57282	706
22:01:15	8.9	-35.2	.0039	.0212	54	136	62368	1316
22:01:30	8.9	-35.1	.0084	.0355	46	149	125432	2333
22:01:45	8.8	-34.9	.0097	.0468	45	151	128091	1316
22:02:00	8.8	-34.4	.0049	.0245	32	178	41808	1316
22:02:15	8.8	-34.7	.0047	.0208	52	138	39878	1011
22:02:30	8.8	-34.4	.0016	.0099	26	198	19962	1316
22:02:45	8.7	-34.2	.0014	.0049	15	274	8492	1927
22:03:00	8.7	-33.9	.0005	.0040	20	210	3211	1316
22:03:15	8.6	-33.6	.0004	.0025	47	146	2216	706
22:03:30	8.6	-33.1	.0002	.0012	83	95	4924	706
22:03:45	8.6	-33.2	.0003	.0009	81	100	5184	706
22:04:00	8.6	-33.2	.0001	.0003	96	59	3197	706
22:04:15	8.6	-33.1	.0002	.0008	78	101	2895	706
22:04:30	8.6	-33.3	.0001	.0003	67	120	620	706
22:04:45	8.6	-33.5	.0001	.0002	55	136	304	706
22:05:00	8.6	-33.1	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	9
22:05:15	8.6	-32.8	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:05:30	8.6	-32.9	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:05:45	8.6	-33.1	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	0
22:06:00	8.6	-33.2	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:06:15	8.6	-33.4	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16
22:06:30	8.6	-33.6	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16
22:06:45	8.6	-33.5	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:07:00	8.6	-33.6	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:07:15	8.6	-33.8	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16
22:07:30	8.6	-33.7	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18
22:07:45	8.6	-33.7	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16
22:08:00	8.6	-33.7	.0001	.0006	0	0	0	23
22:08:15	8.6	-33.7	.0001	.0000	100	33	362	47
22:08:30	8.6	-33.5	.0002	.0003	99	47	5003	437
22:08:45	8.7	-33.5	.0028	.0134	87	95	40383	706
22:09:00	8.6	-33.5	.0024	.0087	76	113	39815	706
22:09:15	9.2	-33.4	.0049	.0193	66	119	83348	1011
22:09:30	9.2	-33.4	.0096	.0622	18	215	70112	2333
22:09:45	8.6	-33.3	.0137	.0812	18	222	105146	2333
22:10:00	8.6	-33.5	.0032	.0116	53	138	24753	1011
22:10:15	8.6	-33.4	.0002	.0000	78	79	34	437
22:10:30	8.6	-33.3	.0002	.0000	0	0	0	27
22:10:45	8.6	-33.4	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27

Not possible to ascend higher, must descend slightly. No texture in heavy cloud. Visibility approx. 1 mi. Can not see any particles passing by.

Breaking out a little between Ac below and higher (Cs). Visibility about 40 mi. A little blue sky above, but 8/10 cloud coverage. Beginning a turn to go back into heavy cloud.

At 31° 39' N, 103° 02' W. Wind is 238/137 kt. GS 463 kt. Back into dense Cs, like heavy fog. No breaks above.

Must begin a slight descent to maintain IAS of 150 kt.

At 31° 54' N, 102° 50' W. Now between cloud layers. Undercast below. A little blue sky visible to north. About 1000 ft below Cs base.

Still between layers.

In heavier Cs. Can see texture of Ac undercast below. Aircraft is in base of Cs. Blue sky dimly visible above.

Have broken out of Cs again.

Appendix B

29 January 1979 Data Tabulations

Tabulations follow the format described in Appendix A.

START TIME	ALT	29 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE		DB	HT	LNAA	FF
		TEMP	INC-BC	INC-CP	INC				
10:45:00	7.7	-47.5	.0321	.0498	84	58	723736	1011	.29
10:45:15	7.7	-47.7	.0196	.0323	87	61	434244	1011	.33
10:45:30	7.7	-47.8	.0323	.0531	82	64	692607	1011	.27
10:45:45	7.7	-47.7	.0144	.0283	84	64	560923	1316	.27
10:46:00	7.7	-47.9	.0118	.0341	92	78	352219	786	.40
10:46:15	7.7	-47.7	.0124	.0485	87	81	318314	1011	.30
10:46:30	7.7	-47.7	.0096	.0347	81	94	280120	1011	.40
10:46:45	7.7	-47.7	.0046	.0092	99	63	111332	437	.56
10:47:00	7.7	-47.6	.0071	.0063	100	52	180147	311	.56
10:47:15	7.7	-47.6	.0134	.0192	93	56	297635	786	.39
10:47:30	7.7	-47.3	.0282	.0571	81	60	676705	1316	.25
10:47:45	7.7	-47.2	.0243	.0549	78	71	671017	2233	.14
10:48:00	7.6	-47.1	.0253	.0592	78	76	624353	1011	.25
10:48:15	7.6	-47.2	.0131	.0289	95	55	327753	786	.41
10:48:30	7.6	-47.3	.0155	.0585	73	93	390364	1011	.27
10:48:45	7.7	-47.4	.0095	.0278	99	67	315836	437	.53
10:49:00	7.7	-47.4	.0107	.0185	99	60	271897	437	.50
10:49:15	7.6	-47.4	.0081	.0114	99	66	174296	437	.53
10:49:30	7.7	-47.5	.0052	.0134	99	64	159395	437	.56
10:49:45	7.6	-47.3	.0076	.0241	94	78	199424	786	.46
10:50:00	7.6	-47.5	.0035	.0071	100	56	189230	311	.58
10:50:15	7.7	-47.6	.0042	.0103	99	69	183755	437	.58
10:50:30	7.7	-47.7	.0039	.0054	99	83	37575	437	.54
10:50:45	7.7	-47.6	.0014	.0044	100	79	48265	311	.51
10:51:00	7.7	-48.0	.0005	.0017	100	105	11670	311	.48
10:51:15	7.7	-47.7	.0014	.0033	100	62	43644	311	.61
10:51:30	7.7	-47.7	.0027	.0044	99	71	65311	437	.52
10:51:45	7.7	-47.3	.0037	.0083	99	87	73926	437	.48
10:52:00	7.7	-47.5	.0034	.0118	99	92	68612	437	.59
10:52:15	7.7	-47.6	.0028	.0049	99	66	61823	437	.48
10:52:30	7.7	-47.8	.0004	.0028	100	68	24284	311	.63
10:52:45	7.7	-48.0	.0010	.0051	100	78	58429	311	.55
10:53:00	7.7	-47.9	.0003	.0018	100	74	8805	250	.68
10:53:15	7.7	-47.8	.0002	.0007	100	63	6742	230	.68
10:53:30	7.7	-47.9	.0003	.0005	100	62	13820	230	.68
10:53:45	7.7	-47.8	.0007	.0009	100	42	32638	311	.51
10:54:00	7.7	-47.8	.0014	.0016	100	42	32638	311	.51
10:54:15	7.7	-47.8	.0019	.0000	100	35	18968	169	1.00
10:54:30	7.7	-47.9	.0010	.0000	100	42	900	87	.91
10:54:45	7.7	-47.6	.0003	.0001	100	44	2740	100	.92
10:55:00	7.7	-47.7	.0000	.0005	100	33	11737	128	1.23
10:55:15	7.7	-47.7	.0023	.0026	100	44	59401	311	.66
10:55:30	7.6	-47.5	.0053	.0134	99	64	192417	437	.51
10:55:45	7.7	-47.5	.0050	.0130	99	65	164007	437	.53
10:56:00	7.7	-47.5	.0061	.0194	99	78	163465	437	.55
10:56:15	7.7	-47.5	.0042	.0137	99	87	86228	437	.56
10:56:30	7.7	-47.3	.0036	.0173	99	109	63042	786	.54
10:56:45	7.6	-47.5	.0013	.0040	100	98	22852	311	.56
10:57:00	7.6	-47.4	.0007	.0022	100	65	31631	311	.56
10:57:15	7.6	-47.4	.0002	.0006	100	65	15331	128	.83
10:57:30	7.7	-47.4	.0000	.0004	99	65	28176	437	.53
10:58:00	7.7	-47.7	.0003	.0004	100	51	7559	148	.82
10:58:15	7.7	-47.4	.0003	.0000	100	33	400	47	1.00
10:58:30	7.7	-47.4	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	21	0.00
10:58:45	7.7	-47.5	.0002	.0000	100	33	400	47	1.00

Heading 150°, wind 210° at 17 kts. Heavy cirrus above dimly.

In top of CS. Most clouds below. Blue sky above through thin cirriform filaments near aircraft altitude.

In white, very hazy, heavy cirrus overcast above, but sun is fairly bright above.

Very small particles on snow stick. Heading 160° at 09:28:37, 104° 26' W.

CS has thinned here in the rear. Much blue sky through thin filaments. Halo around sun.

Most cloud is below but some thin cloud extends 14,000 ft above the aircraft. Mostly blue sky above.

At 09:17:18, 104° 21' W. Wind 150° at 17 kts. Heading 150°. Much blue sky above; wispy cirrus filaments passing by.

Mostly blue sky above.

Back to heavier clouds but blue sky above. Most clouds are below hundred feet above. Partly blue sky above. Heavy cirrus overcast above. Blue sky above.

At 09:05:30, 104° 16' W. Heading 150°.

Can see ground below at first time. A sun spot in the field above. Blue sky above. Cloud in all quadrants, sun at

START TIME	ALT KM	29 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE					LMAX UH	NT	FF
		TEMP C	INC-SC B/Hess3	INC-CP B/Hess3	INC X CLD UH	DB	N/Hess3	NT			
18:59:00	7.7	-47.4	.0002	.0002	100	35	5839	87	1.11		
18:59:15	7.7	-47.3	.0004	.0005	100	44	12129	169	.87		
18:59:30	7.6	-47.6	.0003	.0007	100	45	15363	148	.84		
18:59:45	7.6	-46.9	.0013	.0024	100	45	55462	189	.82		
19:00:00	7.6	-46.8	.0018	.0015	100	58	25968	258	.76		
19:00:15	7.7	-46.8	.0006	.0008	100	45	18834	169	.83		
19:00:30	7.7	-46.6	.0002	.0003	100	42	7361	148	.83		
19:00:45	7.7	-46.6	.0003	.0003	100	45	6887	169	.85		
19:01:00	7.7	-46.7	.0004	.0007	100	45	16469	189	.83		
19:01:15	7.7	-47.8	.0008	.0013	100	42	31691	189	.83		
19:01:30	7.7	-46.9	.0004	.0004	100	44	9944	258	.59		
19:01:45	7.7	-46.1	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	14	0.00		
19:02:00	7.7	-45.9	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	25	0.00		
19:02:15	7.7	-45.5	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:02:30	7.7	-45.2	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18	0.00		
19:02:45	7.7	-45.8	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00		
19:03:00	7.7	-44.5	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	18	0.00		
19:03:15	7.7	-43.9	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	19	0.00		
19:03:30	7.7	-43.7	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16	0.00		
19:03:45	7.7	-44.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	12	0.00		
19:04:00	7.7	-44.5	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	5	0.00		
19:04:15	7.7	-44.1	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00		
19:04:30	7.7	-44.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00		
19:04:45	7.7	-44.9	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	19	0.00		
19:05:00	7.7	-45.8	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	5	0.00		
19:05:15	7.7	-44.6	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	12	0.00		
19:05:30	7.7	-44.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	21	0.00		
19:05:45	7.7	-43.8	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:06:00	7.7	-43.4	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16	0.00		
19:06:15	7.7	-43.4	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	19	0.00		
19:06:30	7.7	-43.2	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	16	0.00		
19:06:45	7.7	-43.2	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	7	0.00		
19:07:00	7.7	-42.9	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:07:15	7.7	-42.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:07:30	7.7	-42.2	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:07:45	7.7	-42.5	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	11	0.00		
19:08:00	7.7	-42.7	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	25	0.00		
19:08:15	7.7	-42.4	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	25	0.00		
19:08:30	7.7	-42.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:08:45	7.7	-42.3	.0001	.0000	100	33	298	47	1.00		
19:09:00	7.7	-42.3	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:09:15	7.7	-42.4	.0000	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:09:30	7.7	-42.3	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:09:45	7.7	-41.9	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:10:00	7.7	-42.4	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:10:15	7.7	-42.6	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:10:30	7.7	-42.8	.0002	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:10:45	7.7	-43.0	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:11:00	7.7	-42.8	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:11:15	7.7	-42.7	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:11:30	7.7	-42.9	.0002	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:11:45	7.7	-42.9	.0002	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:12:00	7.8	-43.0	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		
19:12:15	7.8	-42.9	.0001	.0000	0	0	0	25	0.00		
19:12:30	7.8	-43.1	.0002	.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00		
19:12:45	7.8	-43.0	.0003	.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00		

Ground has disappeared in the undercast.

At 37°53'N, 104°29'W, 25,000 ft MSL.

Can see down to ground again.

Flying very near top of cirriform layer. Heavy Cs below, bright blue sky above.

START TIME	ALT KR	29 JAN 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE				LMAX UR	FF
		TEMP C	IUC-SC 6/Hrs	IUC-CP 6/Hrs	IUC 6/Hrs	CLD %	DM W/Hrs		
19:13:00	7.7	-42.7	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:13:15	7.7	-42.3	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:13:30	7.6	-42.2	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:13:45	7.7	-42.4	.0003	0.0000	100	33	209	27	1.00
19:14:00	7.7	-42.0	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:14:15	7.7	-41.4	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:14:30	7.7	-41.3	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:14:45	7.7	-41.6	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:15:00	7.6	-41.8	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:15:15	7.5	-41.8	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00
19:15:30	7.5	-41.6	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:15:45	7.3	-42.1	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:16:00	7.2	-42.2	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00
19:16:15	7.1	-41.8	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:16:30	7.1	-41.9	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:16:45	7.0	-41.2	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:17:00	7.0	-41.7	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:17:15	6.9	-42.3	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:17:30	6.9	-42.1	.0002	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:17:45	6.8	-41.7	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:18:00	6.6	-40.9	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:18:15	6.6	-39.9	.0003	0.0000	0	0	0	27	0.00
19:18:30	6.6	-39.7	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	23	0.00
19:18:45	6.4	-39.4	.0000	0.0000	100	42	120	67	1.00
19:19:00	6.4	-38.7	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:19:15	6.3	-38.2	.0000	0.0000	100	33	254	47	1.00
19:19:30	6.3	-38.0	.0001	0.0003	100	56	5927	169	.75
19:19:45	6.3	-38.0	.0004	0.0017	100	66	18232	311	.70
19:20:00	6.3	-38.1	.0016	0.0043	99	60	55846	250	.55
19:20:15	6.3	-38.3	.0013	0.0027	99	55	43251	230	.49
19:20:30	6.3	-38.3	.0002	0.0004	100	54	6400	209	.73
19:20:45	6.2	-38.0	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	7	0.00
19:21:00	6.2	-37.8	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	7	0.00
19:21:15	6.2	-37.4	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	7	0.00
19:21:30	6.1	-37.3	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	7	0.00
19:21:45	6.1	-37.4	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:22:00	6.1	-37.4	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	11	0.00
19:22:15	6.1	-36.7	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:22:30	6.1	-36.9	.0000	0.0000	0	242	1	437	1.41
19:22:45	6.2	-37.7	.0001	0.0000	90	41	571	437	.29
19:23:00	6.3	-38.3	.0001	0.0000	0	0	0	11	0.00
19:23:15	6.4	-36.5	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:23:30	6.4	-36.4	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:23:45	6.4	-35.9	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	9	0.00
19:24:00	6.3	-35.5	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	5	0.00
19:24:15	6.2	-35.2	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	18	0.00
19:24:30	6.2	-36.5	.0007	0.0003	100	33	7958	189	1.00
19:24:45	6.2	-36.1	.0011	0.0010	100	34	26119	189	1.00
19:25:00	6.2	-36.2	.0003	0.0001	100	69	217	209	1.21
19:25:15	6.2	-35.5	.0000	0.0000	0	242	0	437	1.41
19:25:30	6.2	-35.5	.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
19:25:45	6.1	-34.4	.0030	0.0010	99	54	15825	437	.58
19:26:00	6.1	-35.4	.0007	0.0003	100	63	3434	250	.61
19:26:15	6.0	-36.1	.0030	0.0010	100	48	18343	311	.54
19:26:30	6.1	-36.2	.0004	0.0001	100	40	2512	100	.03
19:26:45	6.1	-36.5	.0019	0.0009	99	57	12686	437	.52

Skimming cloud tops through thin cirriform cloud.

Beginning gradual descent to sample more cloud tops.

Heading 172°, wind 210°/44 kt. Much blue sky above. At level of cloud tops.

Blue sky above. Seem to be in clear air, though Ci extends in all directions.

Blue sky above. Leveling off at this altitude. Some cumuliiform clouds in this area.

around dimly visible. Most clouds seem to be cirrocumulus (Cc) with relatively flat tops.

Just skimming tops of Cc. Will go through some P. later on.

Appendix C

2 February 1979 Data Tabulations

Tabulations follow the format described in Appendix A.

START TIME	ALT	TEMP	TUC-SC	IS SECNDU AVERAGE	MAX	FF			
	KR	C	B/M**3	5 Hrs z CLD	UH	MI			
20:55:00	9.1	-36.7	.0016	0038	69	35385	437	.68	
20:55:15	9.1	-38.5	.0019	0042	63	52414	511	.65	
20:55:30	9.1	-38.4	.0025	0050	69	58656	437	.56	
20:55:45	9.1	-38.1	.0016	0052	77	39584	437	.61	
20:56:00	9.1	-38.5	.0013	0044	71	46072	311	.57	
20:56:15	9.1	-38.6	.0013	0037	70	34446	311	.63	
20:56:30	9.1	-38.9	.0020	0043	84	32615	437	.56	
20:56:45	9.1	-38.3	.0014	0052	99	22	45554	437	.63
20:57:00	9.1	-38.7	.0028	0085	99	61	71805	437	.59
20:57:15	9.1	-38.9	.0032	0075	100	58	109065	250	.71
20:57:30	9.1	-38.9	.0042	0081	100	55	130812	311	.60
20:57:45	9.1	-38.8	.0012	0037	100	62	48004	311	.62
20:58:00	9.1	-38.8	.0012	0037	100	61	43704	311	.69
20:58:15	9.1	-38.8	.0014	0039	99	64	45731	437	.70
20:58:30	9.1	-38.9	.0013	0038	99	67	35629	437	.66
20:58:45	9.1	-38.9	.0010	0032	99	73	25404	437	.63
20:59:00	9.1	-39.1	.0010	0029	99	74	21207	437	.63
20:59:15	9.1	-39.0	.0012	0029	99	61	37282	437	.64
20:59:30	9.1	-39.2	.0007	0020	100	67	20584	311	.58
20:59:45	9.1	-39.4	.0008	0020	100	63	28615	311	.62
21:00:00	9.2	-39.5	.0007	0019	100	62	23878	311	.61
21:00:15	9.2	-39.5	.0006	0021	100	64	22698	250	.70
21:00:30	9.2	-39.6	.0007	0015	100	62	20158	311	.55
21:00:45	9.2	-39.6	.0011	0016	100	56	34251	311	.69
21:01:00	9.2	-39.7	.0008	0021	100	56	30916	311	.65
21:01:15	9.2	-39.7	.0007	0015	100	50	26137	189	.84
21:01:30	9.2	-39.7	.0010	0020	100	53	33823	311	.61
21:01:45	9.2	-39.9	.0013	0030	100	53	48964	230	.77
21:02:00	9.2	-40.0	.0023	0050	100	55	74446	311	.65
21:02:15	9.2	-40.0	.0014	0034	99	56	50647	437	.72
21:02:30	9.2	-40.1	.0012	0032	100	61	38680	311	.65
21:02:45	9.2	-40.2	.0009	0032	100	67	25197	311	.70
21:03:00	9.2	-40.2	.0009	0024	100	69	21136	311	.64
21:03:15	9.2	-40.4	.0009	0032	99	71	27907	437	.63
21:03:30	9.2	-40.4	.0016	0030	100	75	38795	311	.62
21:03:45	9.3	-40.5	.0015	0052	99	82	42356	437	.59
21:04:00	9.3	-40.6	.0009	0041	100	93	18877	311	.63
21:04:15	9.3	-40.8	.0026	0026	98	101	8932	437	.68
21:04:30	9.3	-40.9	.0005	0025	82	111	8412	706	.50
21:04:45	9.3	-41.1	.0006	0014	98	64	15811	437	.55
21:05:00	9.4	-41.3	.0009	0026	99	60	31249	437	.56
21:05:15	9.4	-41.5	.0008	0025	99	115	20399	437	.41
21:05:30	9.4	-41.8	.0006	0025	67	130	8733	706	.40
21:05:45	9.5	-42.0	.0007	0023	71	130	4310	706	.55
21:06:00	9.5	-42.2	.0005	0018	75	125	5010	706	.48
21:06:15	9.5	-42.3	.0011	0047	75	27	10472	706	.54
21:06:30	9.5	-42.4	.0019	0035	97	114	19145	437	.69
21:06:45	9.5	-42.5	.0021	0031	99	106	24956	437	.73
21:07:00	9.6	-42.7	.0020	0094	100	87	49397	311	.65
21:07:15	9.6	-43.0	.0014	0048	100	63	54647	311	.67
21:07:30	9.6	-43.1	.0022	0088	100	59	88458	311	.55
21:07:45	9.5	-43.0	.0011	0039	99	62	124084	437	.52
21:08:00	9.6	-42.5	.0032	0091	99	62	118485	437	.58
21:08:15	9.6	-43.1	.0034	0100	99	64	133042	437	.57
21:08:30	9.7	-43.1	.0049	0095	100	54	143528	311	.64
21:08:45	9.5	-43.1	.0049	0095	99	52	156377	437	.51

Maximumly observed temperature is 39.1 degrees Celsius (102.4 degrees Fahrenheit) on 2/21/79 at 21:01:15.

Minimum observed temperature is 39.2 degrees Celsius (102.6 degrees Fahrenheit) on 2/21/79 at 21:02:15.

Clouds are moderately thick at 21:02:00 to 21:02:15, becoming thin thereafter.

Light breeze from the west, becoming stronger at 21:02:00 to 21:02:15, then subsiding.

Humidity is 65% at 21:02:00 to 21:02:15, then increasing to 75% at 21:02:30.

Light breeze from the west, becoming stronger at 21:02:00 to 21:02:15, then subsiding.

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START TIME		HLT	TEMP	IUC-SC	15 SECOND AVERAGE			LMAX	FF
MIN	SEC	C	G/M*3	IUC-CP	IUC DO	NT	UM		
				G/M*3	% CLU	N/R*3			
21:02:00	9.6	-43.1	0.044	0.082	100	50	144858	311	.64
21:02:15	9.6	-43.2	0.029	0.073	100	54	112604	311	.57
21:02:30	9.6	-43.3	0.024	0.063	100	56	96668	311	.59
21:02:45	9.6	-43.1	0.029	0.077	100	57	116371	311	.58
21:03:00	9.6	-43.0	0.033	0.086	99	54	108789	437	.63
21:03:15	9.6	-43.0	0.046	0.066	100	47	130857	311	.68
21:03:30	9.6	-43.1	0.020	0.033	100	42	77347	230	.64
21:03:45	9.6	-43.2	0.019	0.028	100	44	63888	189	.86
21:04:00	9.6	-43.1	0.021	0.042	100	46	88330	311	.70
21:04:15	9.6	-43.1	0.021	0.035	100	38	97716	189	.95
21:04:30	9.6	-43.1	0.016	0.034	100	48	69152	189	.84
21:04:45	9.6	-43.1	0.011	0.030	100	53	51433	230	.78
21:05:00	9.6	-43.1	0.028	0.043	100	45	98741	189	.86
21:05:15	9.6	-43.1	0.019	0.037	100	46	76121	169	.89
21:05:30	9.6	-42.9	0.038	0.050	100	36	138202	169	1.05
21:05:45	9.6	-42.9	0.045	0.061	100	39	154226	169	1.01
21:06:00	9.6	-42.9	0.022	0.029	100	39	69526	209	.88
21:06:15	9.6	-42.9	0.002	0.004	100	75	3739	311	.46
21:06:30	9.6	-43.0	0.002	0.003	100	61	3163	230	.69
21:06:45	9.6	-43.1	0.002	0.004	100	59	5082	189	.80
21:07:00	9.6	-43.2	0.003	0.004	100	64	3491	230	.78
21:07:15	9.6	-43.2	0.000	0.007	100	63	6853	250	.65
21:07:30	9.6	-43.2	0.009	0.050	100	84	29892	311	.66
21:07:45	9.6	-43.4	0.018	0.082	100	81	48448	311	.73
21:08:00	9.6	-43.7	0.001	0.015	100	73	12738	311	.64
21:08:15	9.6	-43.7	0.002	0.016	100	68	16800	230	.69
21:08:30	9.6	-43.7	0.001	0.014	100	64	15457	250	.64
21:08:45	9.6	-43.7	0.008	0.024	100	47	44302	250	.63
21:09:00	9.6	-43.8	0.010	0.038	100	54	55348	250	.68
21:09:15	9.6	-44.0	0.000	0.017	100	68	15193	250	.64
21:09:30	9.6	-44.1	0.000	0.018	100	57	19164	311	.66
21:09:45	9.6	-44.1	0.000	0.022	100	63	21188	250	.75
21:10:00	9.6	-44.0	0.000	0.037	100	58	40466	250	.78
21:10:15	9.6	-43.7	0.000	0.030	100	61	30430	250	.86
21:10:30	9.6	-43.2	0.000	0.029	100	57	34394	230	.86
21:10:45	9.6	-42.8	0.000	0.036	100	60	38991	250	.81
21:11:00	9.6	-42.7	0.000	0.033	100	56	40331	250	.82
21:11:15	9.6	-43.0	0.000	0.029	100	59	37576	250	.72
21:11:30	9.6	-43.4	0.000	0.028	100	57	36744	230	.78
21:11:45	9.6	-43.5	0.000	0.019	100	56	29178	209	.81
21:12:00	9.6	-43.6	0.000	0.016	100	55	23279	209	.83
21:12:15	9.6	-43.7	0.000	0.010	100	56	15828	189	.81
21:12:30	9.6	-43.7	0.000	0.006	100	51	9318	148	.92
21:12:45	9.6	-43.7	0.000	0.009	100	55	16703	189	.77
21:13:00	9.6	-43.7	0.000	0.005	100	54	8012	169	.87
21:13:15	9.6	-43.7	0.001	0.006	100	52	9585	189	.86
21:13:30	9.6	-43.7	0.003	0.004	100	48	7241	138	.94
21:13:45	9.6	-43.1	0.004	0.004	100	38	8363	148	1.02
21:14:00	9.6	-43.1	0.001	0.002	100	42	5093	138	.99
21:14:15	9.6	-43.8	0.000	0.001	100	51	2681	148	.82
21:14:30	9.6	-43.7	0.003	0.004	100	54	6360	169	.84
21:14:45	9.6	-43.9	0.000	0.003	100	50	5159	169	.75
21:15:00	9.6	-43.9	0.000	0.001	100	50	1150	138	.89
21:15:15	9.6	-44.0	0.000	0.001	100	52	1021	108	.86
21:15:30	9.6	-43.9	0.003	0.000	100	42	615	108	.80
21:15:45	9.6	-43.9	0.002	0.006	100	49	62	62	.97

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START TIME	ALT	02 FEB 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE				LMAX UN	FF	
		TEMP C	W/C SC	W/C CP	W/C CLD	DO UN	NT M/H*3			
21:23:00	9.6	-44.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	52	3581	108	.96
21:23:15	9.6	-44.0	0.0000	0.0005	0.0005	100	53	7372	128	.89
21:23:30	9.6	-44.1	0.0000	0.0008	0.0008	100	52	11132	169	.91
21:23:45	9.6	-44.1	0.0000	0.0006	0.0006	100	55	7776	169	.92
21:24:00	9.6	-43.9	0.0000	0.0007	0.0007	100	54	9776	168	.92
21:24:15	9.6	-43.9	0.0000	0.0006	0.0006	100	55	7937	128	.91
21:24:30	9.6	-43.7	0.0000	0.0011	0.0011	100	53	15405	169	.93
21:24:45	9.6	-43.6	0.0000	0.0007	0.0007	100	57	8640	148	.92
21:25:00	9.6	-43.6	0.0000	0.0007	0.0007	100	53	10525	128	.92
21:25:15	9.6	-43.7	0.0000	0.0013	0.0013	100	55	17219	209	.85
21:25:30	9.6	-43.7	0.0000	0.0011	0.0011	100	54	13853	189	.92
21:25:45	9.6	-43.6	0.0000	0.0014	0.0014	100	54	22616	189	.84
21:26:00	9.6	-43.8	0.0000	0.0015	0.0015	100	53	20339	209	.86
21:26:15	9.6	-43.8	0.0000	0.0011	0.0011	100	57	17001	189	.78
21:26:30	9.6	-43.9	0.0000	0.0016	0.0016	100	55	21051	209	.80
21:26:45	9.6	-43.9	0.0003	0.0008	0.0008	100	58	10555	169	.86
21:27:00	9.6	-44.0	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	100	55	8590	169	.85
21:27:15	9.6	-44.1	0.0006	0.0005	0.0005	100	52	7769	169	.83
21:27:30	9.6	-44.1	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	100	54	8864	230	.73
21:27:45	9.6	-43.9	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	100	53	8920	209	.79
21:28:00	9.6	-43.6	0.0004	0.0007	0.0007	100	51	10938	189	.84
21:28:15	9.6	-43.3	0.0005	0.0004	0.0004	100	51	9245	169	.76
21:28:30	9.6	-43.1	0.0005	0.0003	0.0003	100	48	5938	148	.91
21:28:45	9.6	-43.0	0.0004	0.0003	0.0003	100	47	6458	128	.94
21:29:00	9.6	-43.3	0.0003	0.0001	0.0001	100	47	2846	148	.83
21:29:15	9.6	-43.5	0.0004	0.0003	0.0003	100	53	5143	169	.75
21:29:30	9.6	-43.6	0.0005	0.0002	0.0002	100	50	4513	169	.76
21:29:45	9.6	-43.7	0.0004	0.0002	0.0002	100	51	3479	169	.81
21:30:00	9.6	-43.7	0.0002	0.0003	0.0003	100	48	6403	148	.79
21:30:15	9.6	-43.8	0.0000	0.0002	0.0002	100	56	2143	148	.88
21:30:30	9.6	-43.7	0.0000	0.0002	0.0002	100	50	3637	128	.86
21:30:45	9.6	-43.6	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	100	50	2545	148	.96
21:31:00	9.6	-43.2	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	100	50	506	108	1.16
21:31:15	9.6	-43.2	0.0002	0.0000	0.0000	100	44	1041	87	.97
21:31:30	9.6	-43.6	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	100	38	939	128	.72
21:31:45	9.6	-44.0	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	100	51	510	128	.73
21:32:00	9.6	-44.1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	51	100	87	1.00
21:32:15	9.6	-43.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:32:30	9.6	-43.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:32:45	9.6	-43.2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:33:00	9.6	-43.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:33:15	9.6	-43.4	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:33:30	9.6	-42.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:33:45	9.6	-42.3	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:34:00	9.6	-42.1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:34:15	9.6	-42.3	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:34:30	9.6	-42.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:34:45	9.6	-43.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:35:00	9.6	-43.1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:35:15	9.6	-43.1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:35:30	9.6	-43.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:35:45	9.6	-42.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:36:00	9.6	-42.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:36:15	9.6	-42.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	62	144	128	.93
21:36:30	9.6	-42.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	65	48	128	1.00
21:36:45	9.6	-43.3	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	100	42	138	67	1.00

Doesn't seem to be any cirrus here at all. There are some Cu below, but not an undercast.

Only getting very small particles now.

Getting small particles. Still turning to right.

Heading toward Cs band. At 34° 44'N, 105° 23'W. Very thin cirriform clouds.

In very thin Ci. A darker, heavier cirriform band is 5-10 miles ahead. Blue sky is above it.

Heading 147°0, wind 2440/171 kt.

Will try to fly parallel to cirriform band.

Definite cirriform layer off right wing. Bright blue sky above it.

Should be a good period for sampling thin Ci, but it must be further than it looks. Heading 012°0.

START TIME	ALT	TEMP	U	V	W	TC-SC	TC-CP	15 SECOND AVERAGE	DO	NT	UM	FF
21:51:00	9.6	43.4	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:51:15	9.6	43.4	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:51:30	9.6	43.4	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:51:45	9.6	43.5	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:52:00	9.6	43.5	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:52:15	9.6	43.5	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:52:30	9.6	43.6	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:52:45	9.6	43.6	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:53:00	9.6	43.6	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:53:15	9.5	43.1	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:53:30	9.5	43.1	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:53:45	9.5	42.9	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:54:00	9.5	42.8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:54:15	9.4	42.9	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:54:30	9.4	42.5	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:54:45	9.4	42.3	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:55:00	9.4	42.2	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:55:15	9.4	42.0	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:55:30	9.4	42.0	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:55:45	9.3	41.7	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:56:00	9.3	41.3	0.0000	0.0000	100	53	474	189	55	0	0	0.00
21:56:15	9.2	41.0	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
21:56:30	9.2	40.7	0.0000	0.0000	100	42	166	87	100	0	0	0.00
21:56:45	9.2	40.5	0.0002	0.0004	100	38	1004	169	196	0	0	0.00
21:57:00	9.2	40.1	0.0003	0.0004	100	44	8763	189	87	0	0	0.00
21:57:15	9.1	39.7	0.0000	0.0001	100	38	1870	128	75	0	0	0.00
21:57:30	9.1	39.3	0.0000	0.0001	100	45	7458	230	180	0	0	0.00
21:57:45	9.2	39.3	0.0013	0.0033	100	45	7458	230	180	0	0	0.00
21:58:00	9.0	39.1	0.0026	0.0058	100	52	9836	250	175	0	0	0.00
21:58:15	9.0	39.1	0.0007	0.0012	100	42	31818	299	277	0	0	0.00
21:58:30	9.0	39.3	0.0007	0.0012	100	42	31818	299	277	0	0	0.00
21:58:45	9.0	39.4	0.0002	0.0012	100	54	17681	189	78	0	0	0.00
21:59:00	9.0	39.5	0.0003	0.0009	100	75	6341	311	67	0	0	0.00
21:59:15	9.0	39.5	0.0000	0.0003	100	98	1709	311	56	0	0	0.00
21:59:30	9.0	39.5	0.0002	0.0008	100	92	3967	311	60	0	0	0.00
21:59:45	9.0	39.6	0.0001	0.0005	100	81	2642	311	69	0	0	0.00
22:00:00	9.0	39.5	0.0009	0.0027	100	69	25388	311	68	0	0	0.00
22:00:15	9.1	39.4	0.0008	0.0030	100	63	34912	311	65	0	0	0.00
22:00:30	9.1	39.5	0.0010	0.0039	100	72	32271	311	58	0	0	0.00
22:00:45	9.1	39.3	0.0010	0.0042	100	68	41138	311	64	0	0	0.00
22:01:00	9.1	39.2	0.0022	0.0078	100	73	63010	311	65	0	0	0.00
22:01:15	9.0	38.9	0.0020	0.0071	100	63	82212	311	69	0	0	0.00
22:01:30	9.0	38.7	0.0020	0.0071	100	57	254762	311	60	0	0	0.00
22:01:45	9.0	39.2	0.0045	0.0114	100	52	188201	311	73	0	0	0.00
22:02:00	9.0	39.2	0.0026	0.0058	100	57	83459	311	71	0	0	0.00
22:02:15	9.0	38.9	0.0000	0.0026	100	66	25899	311	73	0	0	0.00
22:02:30	9.0	38.9	0.0016	0.0024	100	52	41048	209	83	0	0	0.00
22:02:45	9.0	38.7	0.0008	0.0020	100	49	40159	230	80	0	0	0.00
22:03:00	9.0	38.7	0.0011	0.0032	100	55	49133	209	80	0	0	0.00
22:03:15	9.0	38.7	0.0014	0.0044	100	64	48186	250	74	0	0	0.00
22:03:30	9.0	38.7	0.0019	0.0060	100	67	54567	311	71	0	0	0.00
22:03:45	9.0	38.7	0.0018	0.0060	100	64	76737	311	65	0	0	0.00
22:04:00	9.0	38.6	0.0026	0.0083	100	61	103531	311	69	0	0	0.00
22:04:15	9.0	38.6	0.0027	0.0095	100	60	129995	311	64	0	0	0.00
22:04:30	9.0	38.5	0.0027	0.0093	100	66	91360	311	71	0	0	0.00
22:04:45	9.0	38.5	0.0027	0.0061	100	58	81337	250	71	0	0	0.00
22:05:00	9.0	38.4	0.0031	0.0056	100	49	113487	246	78	0	0	0.00

Beamazing beam to left to get closer to CI band.

Descending, will get closer to the band.

At 310 3000, 1:40 3000.

Low in very thin vertical band at 310000, but can see cloud filaments going by.

Good thin sampling conditions, visibility good, but can see thin filaments moving past aircraft.

Approximately in middle of CI layer. At 310 4000, just 1000.

Can see thin cloud filaments both above and below.

Now into moderately heavy CS layer. Wind 040/2100 kts.

Heavy CS. Visibility much reduced.

Heading 270. Ground not clear. At 310 4000, just 1000. Can see through top of CI layer.

02 FEB 79		15 SECOND AVERAGE										FF	
START TIME	ALT KH	TEMP C	TUC-SC 6/Sec3	1UC-CP 8/Sec3	TUC 8/Sec3	Z CLD	DO UN	NT M/Sec3	LMAX UN	FF	FF		
22:05:00	9.0	-38.4	.0038	.0043	100	47	85823	311	.72				
22:05:15	8.9	-38.3	.0022	.0047	100	48	90452	311	.63				
22:05:30	8.9	-38.3	.0023	.0052	100	52	87356	311	.55				
22:05:45	8.9	-38.2	.0020	.0050	100	51	88475	311	.60				
22:06:00	8.9	-38.2	.0023	.0053	100	53	88701	209	.78				
22:06:15	8.9	-38.1	.0013	.0042	100	52	71515	230	.80				
22:06:30	8.9	-38.2	.0016	.0045	100	52	113918	311	.74				
22:06:45	8.9	-38.3	.0022	.0072	100	55	111646	311	.75				
22:07:00	9.0	-38.3	.0018	.0040	100	53	100552	311	.72				
22:07:15	9.0	-38.2	.0024	.0029	100	52	135020	311	.48				
22:07:30	9.0	-38.2	.0034	.0104	100	55	154503	311	.72				
22:07:45	9.0	-38.2	.0027	.0104	100	57	145266	311	.71				
22:08:00	9.0	-38.3	.0021	.0076	100	53	120346	250	.73				
22:08:15	9.0	-38.4	.0016	.0078	100	59	92001	250	.78				
22:08:30	8.9	-38.4	.0022	.0100	100	63	103085	311	.71				
22:08:45	8.9	-38.3	.0026	.0117	100	65	119080	311	.70				
22:09:00	8.9	-38.4	.0016	.0077	100	64	80382	311	.68				
22:09:15	8.9	-38.1	.0021	.0088	100	65	88455	311	.67				
22:09:30	8.9	-38.2	.0017	.0072	100	65	49232	311	.66				
22:09:45	9.0	-38.5	.0006	.0038	100	67	34769	311	.69				
22:10:00	9.0	-38.5	.0003	.0031	100	61	32372	311	.68				
22:10:15	9.0	-38.5	.0011	.0037	100	61	47157	250	.68				
22:10:30	9.0	-38.5	.0007	.0029	100	61	31729	311	.70				
22:10:45	9.0	-38.4	.0011	.0038	100	59	53409	230	.73				
22:11:00	8.9	-38.5	.0009	.0020	100	50	35384	230	.82				
22:11:15	9.0	-38.3	.0004	.0010	100	54	15679	209	.79				
22:11:30	9.0	-38.4	.0009	.0021	100	53	33848	250	.75				
22:11:45	9.0	-38.6	.0013	.0032	100	51	55464	230	.80				
22:12:00	9.0	-38.7	.0007	.0016	100	54	24736	189	.81				
22:12:15	9.0	-38.4	.0014	.0043	100	63	48925	311	.65				
22:12:30	9.0	-38.4	.0002	.0007	100	53	11183	189	.82				
22:12:45	9.0	-38.7	.0013	.0038	100	58	52580	311	.70				
22:13:00	9.0	-39.1	.0013	.0044	100	66	44984	311	.67				
22:13:15	9.0	-38.8	.0009	.0032	100	70	28209	311	.69				
22:13:30	9.0	-38.7	.0017	.0063	100	64	70661	311	.69				
22:13:45	9.0	-38.5	.0002	.0008	100	68	6176	250	.78				
22:14:00	9.0	-38.6	.0003	.0013	100	63	13739	230	.75				
22:14:15	9.0	-38.7	.0013	.0048	100	65	52482	311	.68				
22:14:30	9.0	-38.8	.0007	.0030	100	74	23879	311	.68				
22:14:45	9.0	-38.9	.0012	.0048	100	71	44671	311	.66				
22:15:00	9.0	-38.8	.0017	.0059	100	65	59791	311	.70				
22:15:15	9.0	-38.7	.0016	.0056	100	61	63875	311	.74				
22:15:30	9.0	-38.4	.0021	.0074	100	59	95173	311	.69				
22:15:45	9.0	-38.6	.0023	.0085	100	69	79900	311	.65				
22:16:00	9.0	-38.5	.0016	.0064	100	72	33167	311	.69				
22:16:15	9.0	-38.5	.0020	.0073	100	74	57212	311	.62				
22:16:30	9.0	-38.4	.0016	.0043	100	72	49088	311	.69				
22:16:45	9.0	-38.6	.0008	.0033	100	74	24831	311	.69				
22:17:00	9.0	-39.0	.0014	.0051	100	73	41346	311	.68				
22:17:15	9.0	-38.7	.0016	.0062	100	70	50924	311	.69				
22:17:30	9.0	-38.5	.0006	.0023	100	85	12112	311	.70				
22:17:45	9.0	-38.4	.0015	.0051	100	69	52743	311	.59				
22:18:00	9.0	-38.4	.0024	.0074	100	55	17349	311	.70				
22:18:15	9.0	-38.6	.0040	.0087	100	52	150712	311	.67				
22:18:30	9.0	-38.4	.0028	.0046	100	59	66732	250	.70				
22:18:45	9.0	-38.2	.0036	.0018	100	33	41839	250	.78				

Heavy Cs. Wind 2450/153 kt. Heading 2200.

Sun is brighter than before.

Still heavy Cs, but visibility has improved slightly. Seems to be in middle of at least a thin overcast.

Still heavy Cs. Heading 2450. GS 10R kt.

Very milky, heavy Cs. Can see through to amount.

START TIME	ALT MR	02 FEB 79 TEMP C	IUC-SC B/H#*3	IUC-CP IWC B/H#*3 x CLB	DO	15 SECOND AVERAGE M/H#*3	NT	LMAX UH	FF
22:19:00	9.0	-38.3	.0040	.0011	100	33	24468	250	.74
22:19:15	8.9	-38.4	.0006	.0010	100	92	9625	311	.45
22:19:30	9.0	-38.7	.0009	.0041	100	93	17653	311	.66
22:19:45	8.9	-38.8	.0011	.0046	100	97	18778	311	.67
22:20:00	9.0	-38.8	.0010	.0051	99	100	18414	437	.69
22:20:15	9.0	-38.8	.0007	.0029	100	78	20242	311	.68
22:20:30	9.0	-38.8	.0007	.0021	100	76	16850	250	.69
22:20:45	9.0	-38.7	.0003	.0009	100	88	6426	311	.56
22:21:00	9.0	-38.6	.0009	.0040	100	79	25982	311	.70
22:21:15	9.0	-38.8	.0007	.0026	100	72	20015	311	.65
22:21:30	9.0	-39.0	.0011	.0044	100	84	25618	311	.64
22:21:45	9.0	-39.1	.0008	.0035	100	88	16483	311	.67
22:22:00	9.0	-38.8	.0001	.0004	100	97	2311	311	.56
22:22:15	9.0	-38.9	.0003	.0010	100	69	8987	311	.65
22:22:30	9.0	-38.9	.0003	.0010	100	56	15489	209	.76
22:22:45	9.0	-38.8	.0018	.0032	100	46	70247	311	.67
22:23:00	9.0	-38.8	.0003	.0016	100	40	19464	209	.76
22:23:15	9.0	-38.9	.0002	.0010	100	63	9856	311	.67
22:23:30	9.0	-38.9	.0005	.0021	100	65	20629	311	.66
22:23:45	8.9	-38.9	.0002	.0016	100	55	22644	209	.83
22:24:00	8.9	-38.8	0.0000	.0009	100	52	12734	148	.91
22:24:15	8.9	-38.8	.0000	.0009	100	60	11466	189	.85
22:24:30	8.9	-38.8	.0000	.0007	100	53	9447	169	.89
22:24:45	8.9	-38.8	.0000	.0010	100	61	9797	209	.91
22:25:00	8.9	-38.7	0.0000	.0009	100	54	10985	209	.84
22:25:15	8.9	-38.6	0.0000	.0010	100	59	12492	209	.82
22:25:30	8.9	-38.6	.0002	.0007	100	58	8653	209	.81
22:25:45	8.9	-38.7	.0001	.0014	100	59	15620	230	.82
22:26:00	8.9	-38.7	.0000	.0015	100	57	17747	230	.82
22:26:15	8.9	-38.6	.0000	.0015	100	59	16640	209	.85
22:26:30	8.9	-38.8	.0000	.0014	100	56	16679	230	.86
22:26:45	8.9	-38.8	0.0000	.0011	100	58	11507	209	.90
22:27:00	8.9	-38.8	0.0000	.0011	100	54	12814	209	.88
22:27:15	8.9	-38.7	0.0000	.0008	100	58	8491	230	.87
22:27:30	8.9	-38.7	.0002	.0008	100	55	11513	230	.83
22:27:45	8.9	-38.7	.0001	.0007	100	56	9226	209	.84
22:28:00	8.9	-38.7	.0002	.0009	100	58	11011	209	.85
22:28:15	8.9	-38.7	.0001	.0008	100	60	9455	209	.84
22:28:30	8.9	-38.7	.0002	.0006	100	51	10615	169	.84
22:28:45	8.9	-38.7	.0002	.0005	100	53	8804	189	.77
22:29:00	8.9	-38.7	.0003	.0006	100	47	13400	209	.82
22:29:15	9.0	-38.8	.0000	.0003	100	55	3609	148	.94
22:29:30	8.9	-38.8	0.0000	.0002	100	55	2967	148	.87

Just getting out of heaviest Cs. Visibility has improved to about 15 mi on slant downward. At 340 31'N, 1040 26'W. Heading 333.

Getting out into open again. Cs is on right.

Good sampling area for thin cirriform filaments. Pretty much in clear. Will move over closer to the cloud band.

Moving closer. Very few counts in ASSP.

Nearly clear air. Cu below and to right. Blue sky above.

At 340 40'N, 1040 33'W. Thin Ci uncinus ahead, but may be too high to sample. Heading 2320.

Appendix D

List of Abbreviations

Ac	- Altocumulus
AFB	- Air Force Base
AFGL	- Air Force Geophysics Laboratory
AFWL	- Air Force Weapons Laboratory
Alt	- Altitude (above mean sea level unless otherwise specified)
ART	- Airborne Radiation Technology
ASSP	- Axial Scattering Spectrometer Probe
C	- Cloud (or droplet) probe
°C	- Temperature in degrees Celsius
Cc	- Cirrocumulus
Ci	- Cirrus
Cs	- Cirrostratus
Do	- Medium volume diameter
FF	- Form factor
GOES	- Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite
g-m ⁻³	- Grams per cubic meter
Hdg	- Aircraft heading
IAS	- Indicated airspeed
IWC	- Ice water content
km	- Kilometer
L _{max}	- Maximum particle diameter

mb - Millibar
MSL - Mean sea level
MST - Mountain Standard Time
NT - Particle Density
1-D - One-dimensional particle measuring system
P - Precipitation probe
T - Temperature
TAS - True air speed
2-D - Two-dimensional particle measuring system
UMT or Z - Universal (or Greenwich) Mean Time
Z - Calculated radar reflectivity

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