

## ESS5203.03 - Turbulence and Diffusion in the Atmospheric Boundary-Layer: Winter 2020

### Flux Measurements:

See Kaimal and Finnigin, Ch. 6. and LiCor reference guide:

[http://www.licor.com/env/pdf/eddy\\_covariance/ECbook2013.pdf](http://www.licor.com/env/pdf/eddy_covariance/ECbook2013.pdf)

#### 1) Eddy Covariance Principals

Co-variance of the time series

Reynolds stress:  $\overline{u'w'}$ , Heat flux (raw):  $\overline{w'\theta'}$ , Moisture flux:  $\overline{w'q'}$ , Tracer gas flux:  $\overline{\chi'\rho'w'}$

Reynolds decomposition of  $F = \overline{\rho w \chi}$  to give  $F = \bar{\rho} \overline{w' \chi'}$ .

#### 2) Trace Gas or Aerosol Measurements

Infrared gas analyzers, Radiation spectra, Beer-Lambert Law

Optical sensors, Ionization, Particle Charging

#### 3) Other Methods

Profile Method:  $F = -K \frac{d\rho}{dz}$ , where  $K = \kappa u_* z / \Phi$

Relaxed Eddy Accumulation

#### 4) Sonic Anemometers ( $u$ , $v$ , $w$ , $T$ )

See: Schotland (1955) [The measurement of wind velocity by sonic means](#), *J. Meteor.*, 12, 386-390.

and: <http://www.apptech.com/history-of-sonic-technology.html> for some history by Kaimal.

The speed of sound in air  $C = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma R T_v}{m}}$ . Measure  $C$  in the  $w$  direction and solve for  $T_v$ .

The velocity is determined as  $V_d = \frac{d}{2} \left( \frac{1}{t_1} - \frac{1}{t_2} \right) = \frac{d \Delta t}{2 t^2}$ .

Footprint:  $CNF(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{U(z-d)}{u_* \kappa x}\right)$

## 5) Measurement Corrections

Time delay (cross-correlation), Detrending (stationarity), Frequency response

Rotation in z, y, x: (See [Wilczak et al., Boundary-Layer Meteorology, 2001](#))

Align to mean wind ( $\overline{v} = 0$ ); level anemometer to ground ( $\overline{w} = 0$ ); 3<sup>rd</sup> rotation ( $\overline{w'v'} = 0$ ).

$u_1 = u_m \cos \theta + v_m \sin \theta$ , and  $v_1 = -u_m \sin \theta + v_m \cos \theta$ , where  $\theta = \tan^{-1}(\overline{v_m}/\overline{u_m})$

$u_2 = u_1 \cos \phi + w_1 \sin \phi$ , and  $w_2 = -u_1 \sin \phi + w_1 \cos \phi$ , where  $\phi = \tan^{-1}(\overline{w_1}/\overline{u_1})$

Webb Correction

$$F_c = \overline{\rho_d w' s'} = \overline{w' q'_c} + \mu \frac{E}{\rho_d} \frac{\overline{q_c}}{1 + \mu \frac{\rho_v}{\rho_d}} + \frac{H}{\rho C_p} \frac{\overline{q_c}}{T_a} - (1 + \mu \frac{\rho_v}{\rho_d}) \frac{\overline{w' P'}}{P} \overline{q_c}$$