



21 **Abstract.**

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23           In this paper, we examine observations of shallow, stable boundary-layers in the  
24 cool waters of the Gulf of Maine between Cape Cod, MA, and Nova Scotia, obtained in  
25 the 2004 New England Air Quality Study (NEAQS-04), which was part of the  
26 International Consortium for Atmospheric Research into Transport and Transformation  
27 (ICARTT). The observations described herein were made from the NOAA Research  
28 Vessel *Ronald H. Brown*. The ship was instrumented for measurements of  
29 meteorological, gas-phase and aerosol atmospheric chemistry variables. Meteorological  
30 instrumentation included a Doppler lidar, a radar wind profiler, rawinsonde equipment,  
31 and a surface flux package. In this study, we focus on direct comparisons of the NEAQS-  
32 04 flux observations with the COARE bulk flux algorithm to investigate possible coastal  
33 influences on air-sea interactions. We found significant suppression of the transfer  
34 coefficients for momentum, sensible heat, and latent heat; the suppression was correlated  
35 with lighter winds, more stable surface layers, S-SE wind direction, and lower boundary-  
36 layer heights. Analysis of the details shows the suppression is not a measurement,  
37 stability correction, or surface wave effect. The correlation with boundary-layer height is  
38 consistent with an interpretation that our measurements at 18-m height do not realize the  
39 full surface flux in shallow boundary-layers. We also find that a bulk Richardson number  
40 threshold of 0.1 gives a better estimate of boundary-layer height than 0.25 or 0.5. Mean  
41 ozone deposition velocity is estimated as  $0.44 \text{ mms}^{-1}$ , corresponding to a boundary  
42 removal time scale of about one day.

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## 45 **1. Introduction**

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47 According to a study by the Department of Commerce, almost half the population  
48 of the United States lives in coastal areas and so is affected by the unique weather and  
49 climate of coastal zones [e.g. *Rotunno*, 1994]. Coastal zones are subjectively defined as  
50 extending approximately 100 km to either side of the coastline. Examples of coastal  
51 meteorological phenomena include the sea breeze, sea-breeze related thunderstorms,  
52 coastal fronts, marine stratus, fog and haze, enhanced winter snowstorms, and strong  
53 winds associated with coastal orography. For example, the land-sea breeze is produced by  
54 the generally different temperatures of the land and sea. The practical application of the  
55 coastal meteorology is vital for more accurate prediction of the coastal weather and sea  
56 state, which affect defense, transportation, commerce, and pollutant dispersal. The highly  
57 variable winds near the coast may sweep pollutants out to sea on a land breeze but then  
58 bring them back with the sea breeze [*Rotunno*, 1994].

59 The transfer of heat, momentum, and water vapor between the atmosphere and the  
60 lower surface (over land or over sea) is basic to the coastal meteorology. The atmospheric  
61 boundary-layer (ABL) in a coastal zone usually is not horizontally homogeneous and is  
62 often associated with nonequilibrium conditions. Over the ocean, the surface drag is  
63 determined by the sea state, which in turn may be associated with fetch-limited offshore  
64 atmospheric flow. There is another order of complexity over the coastal ocean, because  
65 the sea state is significantly influenced by the ocean shelf and shoaling phenomena.  
66 Another challenging problem is an internal boundary-layer (IBL) above sea and land. In

67 the coastal waters, advective effects may lead to deviation of flux-gradient relationships  
68 from those predicted by Monin-Obukhov similarity theory (MOST) and to violation of  
69 the approximation of height-independent flux assumed by MOST.

70 In July and August 2004, the International Consortium for Atmospheric Research  
71 into Transport and Transformation (ICARTT) was the umbrella organization for a large-  
72 scale study in the northeastern United States, Canada, and the North Atlantic. The part of  
73 that study that focused on regional air quality in northern New England (New Hampshire,  
74 Maine, and the Gulf of Maine) was called the New England Air Quality Study (NEAQS-  
75 04). The NOAA Research Vessel *Ronald H. Brown* was a key component of NEAQS-04  
76 [*Fehsenfeld et al.*, 2006]. The ship was heavily instrumented for *in situ* measurements of  
77 gas-phase and aerosol atmospheric chemistry. Meteorological instrumentation included a  
78 Doppler lidar, a radar wind profiler, rawinsonde equipment, and a surface flux package.

79 The cool waters of the Gulf of Maine cause a shallow stable boundary-layer to  
80 form in the summer whenever air flows from the adjacent land. Since the prevailing  
81 winds are westerly, these stable boundary-layers are very common in summer. The  
82 meteorological instrumentation provided a unique combination of observations to  
83 evaluate air-sea transfer processes in the coastal zone with predominantly offshore flow  
84 and to contrast those observations with well-established relationships from thousands of  
85 hours of open-ocean observations obtained during the last ten years [*Fairall et al.*, 1996a,  
86 2003]. The open-ocean observations formed the basis of version 3.0 of the COARE bulk  
87 flux algorithm [*Fairall et al.*, 2003]. In this paper, we report on direct comparisons of the  
88 NEAQS-04 flux observations used to investigate possible coastal influences on air-sea  
89 interactions. The analysis presented herein emphasizes the mean transfer coefficients in

90 the coastal region. This complements the work of *Angevine et al.* [2006], who provide a  
91 more detailed look at boundary-layer profiles and turbulence parameters as they evolve  
92 downwind for a few selected cases of offshore flow. More information on the ship track,  
93 instrumentation, and an overview of activities can be found in *Fehsenfeld et al.* [2006].

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## 95 **2. Surface-Layer Scaling**

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97 Determination and parameterization of momentum, heat, and mass fluxes across  
98 the air-sea interface is a central problem in the modeling of the coupled atmosphere-  
99 ocean system. Traditional Monin-Obukhov similarity theory (MOST), or surface-layer  
100 scaling, is the commonly accepted approach used to describe atmospheric turbulence in  
101 the surface layer. This approach is based on the number of assumptions such as a  
102 constant-flux layer (shear stress and sensible and latent heat fluxes are approximately  
103 constant with height), horizontal homogeneity, temporal stationary etc. It is generally  
104 believed that MOST is valid in the marine surface layer as long as turbulent  
105 measurements are taken above the wave boundary-layer, WBL [e.g., *Edson and Fairall,*  
106 1998]. In many cases the WBL (the layer where the wave-induced influence cannot be  
107 neglected) is typically only of order of  $O(1\text{ m})$ . However, above-ocean swells the WBL  
108 may extend considerably higher during light winds [e.g., *Sullivan et al., 2004; Grachev*  
109 *and Fairall, 2001; Sullivan et al., 2006*].

110 According to MOST, properly scaled dimensionless characteristics of the  
111 turbulence at reference height  $z$  are universal functions of a stability parameter,  $\zeta \equiv z/L$ ,  
112 defined as the ratio of the reference height  $z$  and the Obukhov length scale

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$$L = - \frac{u_*^3 T_v}{\kappa g (\overline{w'\theta'} + 0.61T\overline{w'q'})}, \quad (1)$$

114 where  $u_* = \sqrt{-\overline{w'u'}}$  is the friction velocity,  $T_v$  is the virtual air temperature,  $\kappa$  is the von  
 115 Kármán constant, and  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity. For later use, we define the  
 116 MOST temperature and humidity scaling parameters  $\theta_* = -\overline{w'\theta'}/u_*$ ,  $q_* = -\overline{w'q'}/u_*$ .

117 So-called bulk algorithms to estimate surface air-sea fluxes are widely used in  
 118 numerical modeling and other important applications. According to this approach, the  
 119 turbulent fluxes are represented in terms of the bulk meteorological variables of mean  
 120 wind speed, air and sea surface temperature, and air humidity:

121 
$$\overline{w'x'} = c_x^{1/2} c_d^{1/2} S \Delta X = C_x S \Delta X, \quad (2)$$

122 where  $x$  can be  $u$ ,  $v$  wind components, the potential temperature,  $\theta$ , the water vapor  
 123 specific humidity,  $q$ , or some atmospheric trace species mixing ratio. Here  $c_x$  is the bulk  
 124 transfer coefficient for the variable  $x$  ( $d$  being used for wind speed) and  $C_x$  is the total  
 125 transfer coefficient. Here  $\Delta X$  is the sea-air difference in the mean value of  $x$ , and  $S$  is the  
 126 mean wind speed (relative to the ocean surface), which is composed of a magnitude of  
 127 the mean wind vector part  $U$  and a gustiness part  $U_g$ :

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$$\Delta X = X_{sea} - X(z); \quad S = \sqrt{U^2 + U_g^2} \equiv U G. \quad (3)$$

129 Here  $z$  is the height of measurements of the mean quantity  $X(z)$  above the sea surface  
 130 (usually 10 m) and  $G = \sqrt{1 + (U_g/U)^2}$  is the gustiness factor. The gustiness term in (3)  
 131 represents the near-surface wind induced by the BL-scale circulations [*Godfrey and*  
 132 *Beljaars*, 1991]. In unstable conditions, it is assumed that it is proportional to the  
 133 *Deardorff* [1970] convective velocity scale

134 
$$U_g = \beta w_* = \beta \left[ (g/T) (\overline{w'\theta'} + 0.61T\overline{w'q'}) z_i \right]^{1/3}, \quad (4)$$

135 where  $z_i$  is the depth of the convective boundary-layer and  $\beta = 1.25$  is an empirical  
 136 coefficient [Fairall *et al.*, 1996a]. Note that (2) with (3)–(4) implies that sensible and  
 137 latent heat fluxes have a finite limit as  $U$  approaches zero. In stable conditions, the  
 138 COARE algorithm specifies  $U_g = 0.2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

139 The transfer coefficients in (2) have a dependence on surface stability prescribed  
 140 by MOST:

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$$c_x^{1/2}(\zeta) = \frac{c_{xn}^{1/2}}{1 - (c_{xn}^{1/2}/\kappa)\Psi_x(\zeta)}, \quad c_{xn}^{1/2} = \frac{\kappa}{\ln(z/z_{ox})}, \quad (5)$$

142 where the subscript  $n$  refers to neutral ( $\zeta = 0$ ) stability,  $\Psi_x$  is an empirical function  
 143 describing the stability dependence of the mean profile, and  $z_{ox}$  is a parameter called the  
 144 roughness length that characterizes the neutral transfer properties of the surface for the  
 145 quantity,  $x$  (see also Fairall *et al.* [2003] for details). The roughness lengths are specified  
 146 in Section 6 below.

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### 148 **3. Background on Fluxes in Coastal Regions**

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150 A number of important results on the air-sea interaction in coastal zone are based  
 151 on data obtained during the Risø Air-Sea Experiment (RASEX) at Vindeby, Denmark in  
 152 1994 [Vickers and Mahrt, 1997, 1999; Mahrt *et al.* 1998; Mahrt, 1999]. In RASEX the  
 153 flux measurements were made at a tower located 2 km off the northwest coast of the  
 154 island of Lolland in shallow water ( $\sim 4$  m average depth). Eddy correlation fluxes of  
 155 momentum and virtual temperature were calculated from sonic anemometers at four

156 levels located at 6, 10, 18, and 32 m above the mean sea level. However, the studies of  
157 *Vickers and Mahrt* [1997] and *Mahrt et al.* [1998] used flux data only from the 10 m  
158 sonic (Gill/Solent). Compared to the open-ocean situations, the RASEX data are  
159 characterized by fetch-limited conditions. Local offshore flow conditions are  
160 characterized by a sea fetch ranging between 2 km and 5 km. Onshore flow has a fetch  
161 between 15 km and 25 km. The nearby land surface is relatively flat. The observation  
162 period is also characterized by a near absence of large amplitude swell. Both stable and  
163 unstable stratifications in the ABL have been observed during RASEX.

164         According to *Vickers and Mahrt* [1997] variation of the neutral drag coefficient in  
165 RASEX is dominated by variation of wave age, frequency bandwidth of the wave  
166 spectra, and wind speed. For a given wind speed, the drag coefficient is larger during  
167 conditions of short-fetch (2–5 km) offshore flow with younger growing waves than it is  
168 for longer-fetch (15–25 km) onshore flow. This is consistent with the concept of  
169 enhanced wind stress over younger growing waves compared to older wave fields, which  
170 are more in equilibrium with the wind [e.g., *Kitaigorodskii*, 1970; *Snyder et al.*, 1981;  
171 *Geernaert et al.*, 1987; *Smith et al.*, 1992; *Donelan et al.*, 1993]. For the strongest  
172 onshore winds, wave breaking enhances the drag coefficient. Using the RASEX data,  
173 *Vickers and Mahrt* [1997] developed simple models of the drag coefficient and roughness  
174 length in terms of wind speed, wave age, and bandwidth. An offshore flow model of the  
175 drag coefficient in terms of nondimensional fetch is developed for situations when the  
176 wave state is not known.

177         *Vickers and Mahrt* [1999] used RASEX data to study the nondimensional wind  
178 shear,  $\varphi_m$ , in the coastal zone. They found that the development of shallow internal



179 boundary-layers and young, growing wave fields, both of which are common in the  
180 coastal zone, can lead to substantial departures of the nondimensional shear from the  
181 MOST prediction based only on stability. For example, the largest-scale turbulent eddies  
182 are suppressed in shallow convective internal boundary-layers, leading to larger  $\varphi_m$  than  
183 that of the traditional MOST prediction. In shallow stable boundary-layers, elevated  
184 generation of turbulence leads to smaller nondimensional shear compared to the  
185 traditional prediction. Above young, growing waves in stable stratification, the observed  
186  $\varphi_m$  is less than that above older, more mature waves in otherwise similar conditions.  
187 Based on the RASEX data for all the onshore and offshore flow periods, *Vickers and*  
188 *Mahrt* [1999] proposed a new general formulation for  $\varphi_m$  in coastal zones as a function  
189 of the traditional stability parameter and IBL depth for the unstable cases (their Equation  
190 [9]), and as a function of the stability parameter and wave state for the stable cases (their  
191 Equation (10)).

192 *Mahrt et al.* [1998] found for the RASEX coastal zone data that the thermal  
193 roughness length shows no well-defined relation to the momentum roughness length or  
194 roughness Reynolds number, in contrast to previous theories. In fact, the two roughness  
195 lengths are governed by different physics. The variation of the momentum roughness  
196 length for this data set is dominated by the wave state and, in contrast to thermal  
197 roughness, increases at weak winds [see *Vickers and Mahrt*, 1997]. The thermal  
198 roughness length shows significant dependence on the wave state only for small values of  
199 wave age where the mixing is apparently enhanced by wave breaking. On the other hand,  
200 the thermal roughness length is more related to the occurrence of internal boundary  
201 layers. The development of thin IBLs with offshore flow substantially reduces the heat

202 transfer and thermal roughness length but has no obvious influence on momentum  
203 roughness length. The RASEX data indicate that the internal boundary-layer effect is  
204 more significant for unstable conditions compared to stable conditions. Suppression of  
205 large efficient transporting eddies by the low boundary-layer top is one of several  
206 plausible explanations for the reduced heat flux. A new formulation of the thermal  
207 roughness length based on the internal boundary-layer depth is calibrated to the RASEX  
208 data. The relationship between the thermal roughness length and the internal boundary-  
209 layer depth breaks down in the very stable case where the boundary-layer is characterized  
210 by an upside-down structure, with the generation of turbulence occurring mainly  
211 detached from the surface.

212         The RASEX offshore flow drag coefficients reported by *Vickers and Mahrt*  
213 [1997] agree reasonably well with those reported by *Donelan* [1982] from data collected  
214 near the coast of Lake Ontario, Canada, and reported by *Smith et al.* [1992] for young  
215 growing waves. However, both the data of *Rieder* [1997] and the model of *Geernaert et.*  
216 *al.* [1987] suggest significantly larger drag coefficients for a given wave age than those  
217 observed in RASEX.

218         *Mahrt et al.* [2001] and *Sun et al.* [2001] studied spatial variations of the surface  
219 stress over a coastal shoaling zone offshore of Duck, North California, using the LongEZ  
220 research aircraft. Data were obtained in 1997 and 1999 during the Shoaling Wave  
221 Experiment (SHOWEX). *Sun et al.* [2001] reported that the spatial variation of the  
222 friction velocity with offshore distance is much larger with offshore flow than with  
223 onshore flow. With onshore flow the friction velocity is strongly correlated with surface  
224 waves. However, for the offshore flow cases, the friction velocity decreases rapidly with

225 offshore distance for the first several kilometers. As a result of the influence of the  
226 upstream land surface, the neutral drag coefficient is not correlated with the atmospheric  
227 bulk Richardson number for the first 5 km off the coast. *Mahrt et al.* [2001] found that  
228 with offshore flow of warm air over cold water, stability restricts momentum transfer to  
229 the waves, and the aerodynamic surface roughness decreases to very small values, which  
230 in turn decreases turbulent mixing. The structure of the offshore flow in these  
231 measurements can be found in *Vickers et al.* [2001].

232         There have been few detailed measurements of the stable IBLs over oceans [e.g.,  
233 *Garratt, 1987; Garratt and Ryan, 1989; Friehe et al. 1991; Smedman et al. 1997*].  
234 *Garratt* [1990] reviewed IBLs. *Rogers et al.* [1995] discussed the general structure of a  
235 stable IBL that forms over the sea, downstream of a warm landmass based on aircraft  
236 measurements from the Internal Boundary Layer Experiment (IBLEX) conducted over  
237 the Irish Sea in 1990. They found that, despite the large horizontal inhomogeneity in the  
238 IBL, local similarity scaling applies throughout the IBL below the local similarity length  
239 scale. The local similarity length scale is the local Obukhov length based on the local  
240 fluxes at height  $z$  rather than on the surface values as defined by Nieuwstadt (1984).  
241 Thus, the height  $z$  remains an important scaling parameter. The turbulence parameters,  
242 which are nondimensionalized with the local scales, are generally constant with respect to  
243 height. However, near the top of the IBL, dependence on  $z$  disappears because the surface  
244 does not affect the turbulence. The IBL is characterized by large temperature and  
245 moisture gradients and a large wind shear that maintains a Richardson number close to its  
246 critical value. Turbulence appears to be continuous, maintained by the strong wind shear  
247 against the stabilizing effect of the downward-directed heat flux. A long fetch, the

248 designation of an IBL becomes tenuous especially after the turbulent structure of the  
249 original BL has decayed or been consumed by the IBL. For stable IBLs formed below an  
250 convection BL generated over land, the mean thermal structure of the old BL changes  
251 slowly while the wind profile may change significantly. The distinction between an IBL  
252 and an new ‘equilibrium’ BL is unclear and we will use the terms interchangeably.

253 For the case of warm air advected over cold water, *Garratt* [1990] showed that  
254 close to shore the IBL depth  $h$  can be estimated by

$$255 \quad h = \alpha^{1/2} U \left( \frac{g \Delta \theta}{\theta} \right)^{-1/2} x^{1/2} = \alpha Ri_b^{-1} x, \quad (6)$$

256 where  $\alpha^{1/2}=0.02$  and  $Ri_b$  is a bulk Richardson number defined by the flow properties  
257 incident at the coast

$$258 \quad Ri_b = \frac{gh(\theta_v - \theta_{vs})}{\theta_v U^2}, \quad (7)$$

259 wherein  $\theta_v$  and  $U$  are the atmospheric mixed-layer properties over land that flow out onto  
260 the sea with surface virtual potential temperature  $\theta_{vs}$ . *Skyllingstad et al.* [2005] did  
261 modeling studies for offshore flow onto cold water (5 K cooler than the incident  
262 boundary-layer) and found turbulent kinetic energy and surface stress dropping rapidly  
263 within a few km of shore. Their results show the boundary-layer cooled less than 1 K at  
264 4 km fetch with a stable surface layer about 20 m thick. See also *Angevine et al.* [2006]  
265 for more discussion of IBL depth in NEAQS-04.

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## 267 **4. Observation Systems**

### 268 **4.1. Turbulence and Bulk Meteorology**

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270 NOAA's Earth System Research Laboratory (ESRL: formerly the Environmental  
271 Technology Laboratory, ETL) sea-going flux and meteorology measurement system was  
272 fully described in *Fairall et al.* [1997, 2003]. The following deals with specific aspects  
273 of that measurement system that are relevant to computing bulk transfer coefficients. The  
274 basic measurements used in this paper are covariance and inertial-dissipation (ID)  
275 turbulent flux estimates, combined with measurements of the basic bulk variables as  
276 described in section 2. A sonic anemometer (Gill/INUSA RS-2A ) is used to obtain the  
277 three components of the wind vector ( $u'$ ,  $v'$ ,  $w'$ ) and the sonic temperature ( $T'$ ). Two  
278 high-speed infrared hygrometers (Ophir Corporation IR-2000 and LiCOR LI7500) are  
279 used to obtain  $q'$ . Velocity fluctuations in fixed-earth coordinates are obtained from the  
280 raw anemometer output by applying rotations to account for pitch, roll, and yaw plus  
281 corrections for the ship's velocity vector. High-frequency (i.e., surface wave-induced)  
282 motions are measured with an integrated package of angular rate sensors and  
283 accelerometers (Systron Donner Motionpak) which forms the mounting base of the sonic  
284 anemometer. Lower-frequency motions are obtained from a Global Positioning System  
285 (GPS), a gyrocompass, and the ship's Doppler speed log. Details of the motion  
286 correction are given in *Edson et al.* [1998]. Sonic temperature is corrected for velocity  
287 crosstalk and the humidity contribution, as discussed in *Fairall et al.* [1997]. ID flux  
288 estimates are computed from the variance spectral density of  $u'$ ,  $T'$ , and  $q'$  in the  
289 inertial-subrange of locally isotropic turbulence, also as described in *Fairall et al.* [1997].  
290 The ID range is usually at frequencies sufficiently above the wave-induced platform  
291 motions, so corrections are not needed.

292 The optics of the high-speed hygrometers can be contaminated by salt [*Fairall*

293 *and Young, 1991; Fairall et al., 1997*] and require daily cleaning. Data obtained with  
294 water on the optics (e.g. during rainfall or fog) are unreliable and, in some conditions,  
295 sunlight also invalidates the measurement. The condition of the optics is monitored in  
296 the data stream and a threshold is set to reject such data. Because of these three sources  
297 of error, usable data for latent heat flux are significantly less than for stress.

298 Mean wind speed and mean vector wind magnitude are obtained from the sonic  
299 anemometer after transformation to fixed-earth coordinates. The relative wind vector is  
300 first corrected for distortion by the ship using results from computational flow dynamics  
301 calculations. A floating thermistor is used to obtain a near-surface value for the ocean  
302 temperature (the depth is about 5 cm). The COARE cool-skin algorithm [*Fairall et al.*  
303 1996b] is used to obtain the interface temperature, which is typically 0.3 C cooler than  
304 the bulk temperature. Mean air temperature and humidity are obtained with a combined  
305 temperature/relative humidity (RH) sensor in an aspirated radiation shield (Vaisala HMP-  
306 235 with 0.1 C, 2% RH quoted accuracy).

307 Covariance and ID fluxes and mean variables are computed in 10-min chunks  
308 from a nominally 1-hr time section and then averaged to 1-hr. A coordinate rotation of  
309 the high-speed time series is performed on the mean earth-fixed velocity vector,  
310 following *Tanner and Thurtell* [1969] to produce streamwise coordinates for the 1-hr  
311 period. The 10-min covariance and ID fluxes were selected for quality criteria and those  
312 that pass are averaged in 1-hr blocks.

313 Covariance flux estimates are subject to random sampling errors associated with  
314 atmospheric variability [*Finkelstein and Sims, 2001*] and other random errors caused by  
315 imperfect motion corrections or sensor noise and drift. Systematic errors are caused by

316 incorrect sensor calibration, imperfect motion correction, and flow distortion. For well-  
317 placed sensors on ships, flow distortion is a serious concern only for stress. We have  
318 applied no empirical distortion correction to our covariance data but note a possible  
319 systematic uncertainty of about 10% for stress. The absolute accuracy of transfer  
320 coefficient measurements is subject to uncertainties in the mean measurements, the  
321 fluxes, and in the case of neutral transfer coefficients (or roughness length), the MOST  
322 stability functions.

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## 324 **4.2. Profiling**

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326 The profiling systems used on the R/V *Ronald H. Brown* during NEAQS-04 were  
327 described by *Wolfe et al.* [2006], so only a brief summary is presented here. Three  
328 primary sensors, namely, two remote sensors and one *in situ* sensor, were used to  
329 measure wind profiles. Rawinsondes using GPS wind tracking were launched four to six  
330 times daily, providing a detailed profile of winds. A radar wind profiler (RWP)  
331 permanently deployed on the ship and corrected in real-time for ship motion, provided  
332 continuous hourly profiles at 60- and 100-m vertical resolutions. A High Resolution  
333 Doppler LIDAR (HRDL) with a 30-m along-beam resolution was operated during the  
334 experiment by ESRL. The rawinsonde system used Vaisala RS-92 digital sondes which  
335 also measured profiles of temperature and relative humidity.

336 The Doppler lidar is an active remote sensing system with hemispheric scanning  
337 capability, similar in many respects to the more familiar Doppler weather radar, except it  
338 transmits in the near infrared (2.02  $\mu\text{m}$ ) instead of radio-frequency waves. The scattering

339 targets for shorter-wavelength lidar are atmospheric dust and/or aerosol particles, which  
340 are ubiquitous in the lower troposphere and allow the lidar to obtain signal in cloud- and  
341 precipitation-free air. Data from the lidar can include aerosol *backscatter*, which is  
342 related in a complex way to aerosol concentration (and other aerosol properties), and  
343 *frequency*, from which the Doppler velocity component is calculated. The lidar's  
344 scanning strategy during NEAQS-04 included sweeps along both constant azimuth and  
345 elevation angles to provide a variety of high-resolution boundary-layer information.  
346 Azimuth scanning produces cones of data which, at the lowest elevation angles, can  
347 provide surface wind data and elevation scanning, and which, at the highest elevation  
348 angles, can produce vertical slices of atmospheric features. The 360° azimuth scans,  
349 usually completed in 2 min or less, were processed to produce vertical profiles of the  
350 horizontal wind using the velocity-azimuth display (VAD) technique.

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## 352 **5. Boundary-layer Profiles**

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354 Rawinsondes were launched at 6 hour intervals from the ship's stern. For all 123  
355 sondes, profiles from the surface to 260 m were prepared for analysis of the near-surface  
356 meteorology. A plethora of near-surface cases was observed; only a few examples can be  
357 shown here. More examples can be found at  
358 ([ftp://ftp.etl.noaa.gov/et6/archive/NEAQS\\_2004/RHB/Scientific\\_analysis/lowheights](ftp://ftp.etl.noaa.gov/et6/archive/NEAQS_2004/RHB/Scientific_analysis/lowheights)).

359 Wind speed varied from calm to about 15 m/s. Wind directions at 17.5 m and 250 m  
360 varied from parallel to opposite and in all directions. Sea colder than the air resulting in



361 near-surface stability was typical, but sea warmer than the air resulting in shallow  
362 convective instability was also observed.

363 Figure 1 shows the position of four sample rawinsonde launches relative to the  
364 coastline at UTC shown as year, month, day, hour, minute (yy mm dd hh mm) in the  
365 titles. The red and black arrows in Figure 1 show the wind vector at 17.5 m (sonic  
366 anemometer) and at 250 m (sonde), respectively. One degree of longitude corresponds to  
367 3 m/s. The four cases in Figure 1 are labeled (a) to (d). Figures 2a–d show the  
368 corresponding profiles for cases (a) to (d), and show latitude (lat), longitude (lon), UTC  
369 (yyymmddhhmm), and UTC Julian day (JD). Ten-minute averaged data from the sonic  
370 anemometer at 17.5 m height, temperature and humidity at 15.5 m, and sea-surface  
371 temperature as well as 15-minute averaged lidar data are included on the profiles when  
372 those averages exist within one half hour of the rawinsonde launch. Wind speed (m/s)  
373 and direction in degrees are shown for the sonde (blue), lidar (green), and sonic  
374 anemometer (red). Differences between lidar and sonde data at the lowest heights is  
375 likely because the sonde is launched in the ship’s air wake, whereas discrepancies can be  
376 caused at greater heights by temporal mismatch. The potential temperature (green) and  
377 virtual potential temperature (blue) in Kelvin and water vapor mixing ratio in g/km (blue)  
378 are obtained from sonde data; those quantities are shown as obtained from ship  
379 instrumentation at 15.5 m (red) and at the surface (red). For calculation of surface values,  
380 it is assumed that water vapor is saturated at the sea surface temperature. The lidar  
381 velocity variance in  $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$  is obtained from the lidar velocity signal in m/s after the mean  
382 velocity is removed; thus, lidar velocity variance contains atmospheric waves and  
383 turbulence and instrumental noise. Calculation of the gradient Richardson number ( $Ri$ ) in

384 the figures requires the ratio of the potential temperature gradient to the sum of the  
385 squares of the gradients of the horizontal wind components; as such, it is sensitive to  
386 errors. The bulk Richardson number is referenced to the surface values; that is, it  
387 requires the difference of potential temperature aloft to its surface value divided by the  
388 square of the wind speed aloft. The bulk Richardson number is shown on two scales.  
389 Vertical lines corresponding to gradient  $Ri = 0.25$  and to bulk  $Ri = 0.1, 0.25,$  and  $0.5$  are  
390 shown. Richardson number calculated entirely from sonde data is in blue, whereas  
391 substitution of lidar velocity data in place of sonde velocity data produces  $Ri$  as shown in  
392 green.

393 Figure 2a and corresponding case (a) in Figure 1 show that wind at 250 m is  
394 offshore from Boston, but near-surface flow is toward Maine. In Figure 2a, the sea is  
395 colder than the air, and the largest gradients of both water vapor mixing ratio and  
396 potential temperatures are between 40 and 75 m. In that height range, the gradient  $Ri$   
397 shows a stable layer where lidar velocity variance is enhanced, which suggests that  
398 atmospheric waves are present. Conditions for shear-generated turbulence exist above  
399 and below the stable layer. Most of the shear aloft is caused by change of wind direction.

400 Figure 2b corresponds to case (b) in Fig. 1. Flow is offshore at 250 m, but  
401 onshore at 17.5 m. Light wind causes discrepancy of the sonde's wind direction and  
402 speed at low levels relative to the lidar and sonic anemometer data. However, it is clear  
403 from agreement of lidar and sonde data that wind speed almost vanishes from 150 m to  
404 200 m, and that there is a large wind-direction shift between those heights. The sea is  
405 warmer than the air, but the potential temperature gradient reverses at about 40 m. The  
406 Richardson numbers indicate convective instability below about 40 m, but stability above

407 50 m. Enhanced lidar variance between 50 and 110 m might indicate atmospheric wave  
408 activity.

409 Case (c) in Figure 1 shows that wind at the height of 250 m is from the direction  
410 of Boston, but nearer-surface flow is toward the coast of Maine. Corresponding Figure  
411 2c shows sea temperature substantially colder than the air at 17.5 m, and the potential  
412 temperature profiles show strong gradients up to 110 m, above which the potential  
413 temperatures are constant. The Richardson numbers indicate shear-generated turbulence,  
414 despite the thermal stability, from the surface to about 70 m, above which the flow  
415 stabilizes. A small enhancement of lidar velocity variance is seen between 50 and 100 m.  
416 Profiles of stability and lidar velocity variance suggest the presence of atmospheric  
417 waves, perhaps breaking waves.

418 Figure 2d and case (d) in Figure 1 show a case of strong wind at 250 m which is  
419 offshore from Massachusetts. Wind speed at 17.5 m is toward Maine and of smaller  
420 speed than aloft. The sea is colder than the air. The Richardson numbers suggest  
421 turbulence below 140 m, which is corroborated by the enhanced lidar velocity variance,  
422 and suggest stability above 140 m. Wind shear is strongest below 140 m. Between 140  
423 to 150 m, there are enhanced gradients in potential temperatures and water vapor mixing  
424 ratio.

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## 426 **6. Transfer Coefficients**

### 427 **6.1. Methods**

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429 The reduction of an ensemble of observations of turbulent fluxes and near-surface  
 430 bulk meteorological variables to estimates of the mean 10-m neutral transfer coefficient is  
 431 a problem of some subtlety. The straightforward approach is to convert each observation  
 432 to  $C_{x10n}$

$$433 \quad C_{x10n} = \frac{\overline{w'x'}}{U_{10n}\Delta X_{10n}G}, \quad (8)$$

434 then average to obtain

$$435 \quad \langle C_{x10n} \rangle = \left\langle \frac{\overline{w'x'}}{U_{10n}\Delta X_{10n}G} \right\rangle. \quad (9)$$

436 The 10-m neutral values of the mean profile are computed as

$$437 \quad U_{10n} = \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \ln\left(\frac{10}{z_o}\right) = U(z) - \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{z}{10}\right) - \Psi_u(z/L) \right] \quad (10a)$$

$$438 \quad \Delta X_{10n} = -\frac{x_*}{\kappa} \ln\left(\frac{10}{z_{ox}}\right) = \Delta X(z) + \frac{x_*}{\kappa} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{z}{10}\right) - \Psi_q(z/L) \right], \quad (10b)$$

439 where  $x_*$  can be  $\theta_*$  or  $q_*$ . Note, the sign difference between [10a] and [10b] follows  
 440 from  $\Delta X$  being defined as  $X_s - X(z)$  in Equation [3]. However, artificial correlation  
 441 may confuse the results. In this paper, we use the approach of *Fairall et al.* [2003] to  
 442 compute estimates of the mean transfer coefficients as a function of wind speed. Here the  
 443 fluxes are averaged in wind speed bins and the mean transfer coefficient is the one that  
 444 correctly returns the mean or median flux

$$445 \quad \langle C_{x10n} \rangle = \frac{\langle \overline{w'x'} \rangle}{\langle \overline{w'x'} \rangle_b} \langle C_{x10nb} \rangle, \quad (11)$$

446 where the subscript  $b$  refers to values computed with the bulk algorithm.

447           The data used in the analysis are filtered for acceptable relative wind direction  
448 and other data quality criteria described by *Fairall et al.* [2003]. The results for  
449 momentum and sensible heat flux are shown in Figures 3a and 3b. Comparison with the  
450 COARE algorithm coefficients shows substantially lower transfer with decreasing wind  
451 speed for both sensible heat and momentum. Similar behavior occurs for latent heat flux,  
452 but the number of usable observations is lower and less convincing (not shown).

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## 454 **6.2. Analysis**

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456           The substantially reduced transfer coefficients (or, equivalently, fluxes) at low  
457 winds are perplexing. It might be a measurement problem, a stability correction issue, an  
458 ocean surface wave effect, or an atmospheric internal boundary-layer process. The most  
459 obvious reason for a measurement problem is inadequate motion compensation for  
460 covariance fluxes. This usually produces a peak in the  $w-u$  or  $w-T$  cospectra at the  
461 dominant wave period. Figures 4a and 4b show sample  $w-x$  cospectra for  $U$ ,  $T$ , and  $q$  for  
462 two periods. It is clear that the cospectra are very clean and free of wave effects (i.e., no  
463 anomalous peaks near 0.2 Hz). Also, the cospectra approach zero well below the Nyquist  
464 frequency so that fluxes are not underestimated. That is, the high-frequency  
465 contributions are well resolved. Of course, wind mean speed may not be the ideal  
466 variable to discern the physics of this behavior. In Figure 5 we show a similar analysis in  
467 terms of true wind direction. Here we see normal values for the drag coefficient for  
468 northerly wind directions and a broad sector of greatly reduced values for winds from  
469 about 120 to 250 deg. The mean values of the bulk variables forcing the fluxes and the

470 stability corrections are also highly correlated with wind direction (Figure 6). Clearly,  
471 the most stratified conditions are associated with offshore flow (westerly quadrant)  
472 and/or flow from warm to cold water (southerly to southeasterly flow). The correlation  
473 of mean wind speed with true wind direction is not as clear-cut, possibly because of the  
474 mixing of conditions from different distances from shore. From Fig. 6 we can see that  
475 normal values of drag coefficients for northerly flow are associated with stronger surface-  
476 layer winds and near-neutral stability. This is because of the initially cooler air for  
477 northerly flow and the increasing sea surface temperatures as the flow moves southward.  
478 This results in a deep convective boundary layer rather than a shallow stable boundary  
479 layer.

480         The spatial aspects of the phenomenon we have observed can be illuminated by  
481 analysis on a geographic grid. Figure 7a shows a contour plot of the drag coefficient  
482 ratio in the coastal region. The depressed regions are principally located close to the  
483 coast with some correspondence to the largest air-sea temperature differences (Figure  
484 7b), consistent with warm air advection from hot daytime or warm nighttime land  
485 boundary-layers. There is some lack of correspondence in the upper Gulf of Maine area  
486 near Nova Scotia. The results shown in these figures are corrected for surface-layer  
487 stability effects. The bulk Richardson number,  $Ri_b(z)$ , is a useful index of the surface-  
488 layer stability. Stability effects reduce the surface fluxes about a factor of 2 when  $Ri_b$  is  
489 on the order of 0.05 (corresponding to  $z/L = 1.0$ ). While there is some debate about the  
490 correct forms of stability correction functions [*Cheng and Brutsaert, 2005; Grachev et*  
491 *al., 2006; Steeneveld et al., 2006*], they are well established in weak to moderately stable  
492 conditions ( $z/L < 2$  or  $Ri_b < 0.08$ ). Contours of  $Ri_b$  (Figure 7c) indicate that strong

493 stability effects are confined much closer to the coast (yellow to reddish contours) than  
 494 the observable depressions in drag coefficient. Thus, we conclude that reduced neutral  
 495 drag coefficients observed in NEAQS-04 are not caused by errors in the corrections to  
 496 neutral values.

497 Wave-age ( $W_a$ ) effects in coastal regions can occur with offshore flow or with  
 498 weak flow in the presence of swell. The conventional wisdom is that young waves in  
 499 offshore flow cause an increase in fluxes (see section 3). Regardless of the wave effects,  
 500 we can combine standard scaling theory with our measurements of both  $C_d$  and  $C_h$  to  
 501 assess the wave aspects. The COARE algorithm is a typical representation where  
 502 velocity and scalar roughness lengths are separated as follows:

$$503 \quad z_o = \alpha(W_a)u_*^2 / g + 0.11\nu / u_* = f(u_*, W_a), \quad (12a)$$

$$504 \quad z_{ot} = f(R_r), \quad (12b)$$

505 where  $\alpha$  is a wave property-dependent Charnock parameter and  $R_r = z_o u_* / \nu$  is the  
 506 roughness Reynolds number. For wind speeds less than  $8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , we find  $R_r < 1$ . In this  
 507 region we expect  $z_{ot}$  to be constant at  $10^{-4} \text{ m}$  or  $C_{T10n}^{1/2} \cong 0.0347$ . Thus, if the observed  
 508 decrease in neutral transfer coefficients were due to an ocean wave effect, we expect  
 509  $C_{d10n}^{1/2}$  to be affected but that  $C_{T10n}^{1/2}$  is not affected. However, Figure 8 shows both  
 510 velocity and temperature coefficients to be similarly affected. Based on this analysis, we  
 511 rule out a substantial surface wave/fetch effect.

512 IBL effects are examined by using Richardson Number threshold estimates of the  
 513 boundary-layer depth, as described in Sec. 5. In stable boundary-layers we expect a  
 514 quasilinear profile of the fluxes [Nieuwstadt, 1985] with a maximum at the surface and  
 515 near-zero at  $h$ .

516 
$$\overline{w'x'}(z) \cong \overline{w'x'}_o(1 - z/h). \quad (13)$$

517 If the height of the measurement is much smaller than  $h$ , then the measurement is  
 518 equivalent to the surface flux. For the NEAQS-04 case, the flux instruments are at 18 m  
 519 above the sea surface. Using diagnoses of the depth of the boundary-layer described in  
 520 Sec. 5, we have composited values for the ratio of the measured to bulk model  
 521 momentum transfer coefficient in bins of IBL depth (Figure 9). A clear relationship is  
 522 shown using each of the three  $Ri_b$  criteria (0.1, 0.25, or 0.5), but the fit to (13) is better  
 523 and the scatter is less using the  $Ri_b = 0.10$  criterion. The significance of this is not clear.  
 524 *Nieuwstadt's* [1985] analysis showed that the flux profile for buoyancy was linear, but  
 525 that the rate of decrease with height of momentum flux was greatest at the surface (i.e.,  
 526 slightly nonlinear). Furthermore, we do not know that the bulk flux calculated from  
 527 meteorological variables measured at 18 m is a proper surrogate for the true surface flux.

528 One remarkable feature [Garratt, 1992] of the quasi-equilibrium stable boundary-  
 529 layer is that the buoyancy flux approaches an upper limit independent of the temperature  
 530 profile. A larger air-sea temperature difference favors a higher heat/buoyancy flux, but  
 531 this is balanced by the turbulence suppression caused by the increased stratification.  
 532 Thus,

533 
$$H_{sv\_equilibrium} = -\frac{\rho c_p \theta_v}{g} R_f |f| V_g^2 / \sqrt{3} \cong 0.42 V_g^2, \quad (14)$$

534 i.e., about  $-40 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$  at a geostrophic wind of  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . If we use the sonde wind speed at  
 535 250-m height as an estimate of geostrophic wind, then we obtain high correlation with  
 536 near-surface fluxes (the correlation of  $V_g^2$  with  $H_{svc}$  is  $r^2 = 0.70$  and with  $H_{svb}$   $r^2 = 0.75$ )  
 537 under stable conditions. However, the slope is about  $1/4$  of that given in (14) or,



538 correspondingly, the geostrophic wind speed estimate we are using is about a factor of 2  
 539 too large. The reduced heat flux (relative to [14]) may imply that the 250-m wind speed  
 540 is overshooting the geostrophic wind (the low-level jet), or the suppression effects of the  
 541 stratification in the IBL are dominating in the near field. Another possibility is that a  
 542 significant additional heat transfer could be by IR radiative flux (*Steenefeld et al.*, 2006).

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## 544 7. Ozone Deposition

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546 Direct measurements of ozone fluxes were not made on the cruise. However, we  
 547 have computed estimates of ozone deposition velocity,  $V_{doz}$ , using the ozone version of  
 548 the NOAA COARE gas transfer model. The basics of the gas transfer model are  
 549 described in *Fairall et al.* [2000] and *Hare et al.* [2004]. The specifics for the ozone  
 550 version are described in *Fairall et al.* [2006] but are summarized here. The flux of ozone  
 551 to the ocean,  $F_x$ , is represented as

$$552 \quad F_x = -V_{doz} X_{oz}, \quad (15)$$

553 where  $X_{oz}$  is the atmospheric ozone concentration at reference height.

554 The deposition velocity in the NOAA COARE parameterization is

$$555 \quad V_{doz} = [R_a + (\alpha V_w)^{-1}]^{-1}, \quad (16)$$

556 where  $R_a$  is the atmospheric transfer resistance ( $\text{sm}^{-1}$ ),  $V_w$  is the oceanic transfer velocity  
 557 associated with the destruction of ozone by chemical reaction in the water, and  $\alpha$  is the  
 558 solubility of ozone in seawater. The oceanic transfer velocity is given by

$$559 \quad V_w = \sqrt{aD_x} \frac{K_1(\xi_0)}{K_0(\xi_0)}, \quad (17)$$

560 
$$\xi_0 = \frac{2}{ku_*} \sqrt{aD_x}, \quad (18)$$

561 where  $a \approx 10^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  is the chemical reactivity of ozone in the water,  $D_x$  the molecular  
562 diffusivity of ozone in seawater, and  $K_0$  and  $K_1$  are modified Bessel functions.

563 Observed deposition velocities are reported in the literature with values ranging  
564 from  $V_{doz} \sim 0.1$  to  $1.2 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$  for ocean water [*Ganzeveld et al.*, 2005]. We have used  
565 Equations (16) and (17) to compute deposition velocities for the NEAQS-04 time series  
566 and find similar values. Contour plots of the spatial distribution of the computed  
567 deposition velocities are shown in Figures 10a and 10b. The first figure uses the bulk  
568 algorithm for  $u_*$ , while the second uses the direct measurements of  $u_*$ . Both maps show  
569 the same basic features with highest values just northeast of Cape Cod and the lowest  
570 values close to the coast.

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## 572 **8. Conclusions**

573 The NEAQS/ICARTT field program in the summer of 2004 was a unique ship-  
574 based study of surface fluxes and stable boundary-layers in the coastal regions. The  
575 extensive suite of measurements offer an unprecedented – perhaps even perplexing –  
576 view of IBL and surface flux processes in this regime. The analysis presented here,  
577 though preliminary, clearly indicates that tried-and-true open-ocean bulk flux  
578 relationships become inaccurate close to shore. We found significantly lower fluxes (as  
579 determined by direct measurement) than expected; the reduction corresponding to light  
580 winds, winds from the south-southeast sector, proximity to shore, and/or very shallow  
581 boundary-layer depths. All of these factors are correlated, so it is a complicated problem.

582 It appears that reduced fluxes are not caused by a measurement problem, a MOST  
583 stability correction problem, or wave-age effects.

584 Our analysis suggests that the depth of the stable boundary-layer is a critical  
585 parameter associated with reduced surface fluxes. The low fluxes observed at lighter  
586 wind speed and/or westerly winds result from their joint occurrence with shallow  
587 boundary layers. One interpretation is that the bulk algorithm is giving approximately the  
588 correct surface flux, but our instruments do not realize the full value because of the flux  
589 profile (the flux approaches zero at the IBL depth). Thus, the flux reduction is greater for  
590 shallow BLs. *Mahrt et al.* [1998] found a similar reduction for sensible heat but not for  
591 stress. However, their measurements were closer to the coast (2–4 km fetch) where  
592 wave-age effects may be more significant. One interesting aspect of this problem is  
593 diagnosing the depth of the BL without profiles of the turbulent fluxes. We have  
594 examined gradient Richardson number, bulk Richardson number, and velocity variance  
595 profiles. Analysis of the ratio of the direct flux to the bulk flux suggests that the BL  
596 height determined as  $R_{ib}(h)=0.10$  gives the most consistent estimates. This is often (but  
597 not always) consistent with the 0.25 gradient Richardson number criterion. A peak in the  
598 lidar-derived velocity variance, when present, was often much higher, suggesting that  
599 gravity waves are dominating that signal. Based on the 0.10 criterion, the typical BL  
600 depth was less than 50 m, and only a few percent exceeded 200 m for the locations of the  
601 sonde launches.

602 Besides BL depth, we examined other basic properties of the flow. In an effort to  
603 classify the gross stability of the BL for each sounding, we computed the bulk  
604 Richardson number at 250 m height. Only 10% were less than 0.25, 10% exceeded 5,

605 and the median was 0.5. *Garratt* [1992] predicted that buoyancy flux would prove to be  
606 independent of the thermodynamic lid on the BL and would scale as the square of the  
607 geostrophic wind speed. We found the surface buoyancy flux to be highly correlated  
608 with the wind speed at 250 m (which we took as a surrogate for the geostrophic wind),  
609 but the values were about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of *Garratt's* [1992] prediction. This is consistent with the  
610 BL depth being a better fit with  $R_{ib}(h)=0.10$  instead of a value between 0.25 and 0.50.  
611 The wind profiles were strongly sheared with the flow being often westerly at 250 m,  
612 while the near-surface flow was southerly. The combination of the strong diurnal cycle  
613 over land and the baroclinic flow regime further confuses efforts to understand this  
614 system. *Zilitinkevic and Esau* [2003] examined observations and LES studies and found  
615 baroclinicity increased the equilibrium depth of stable boundary layers, but their formula  
616 gives much lower boundary layer depths than we observed. We speculate that  
617 baroclinicity associated with sloping boundary layers tends to concentrate velocity shear  
618 at 90 degrees to the local mean wind direction near the top of the IBL and that this leads  
619 to a lower IBL depth either because this configuration generates turbulence less  
620 efficiently or it is more efficiently dissipated locally (before it can drive mixing). We did  
621 not examine diurnal effects but some discussion can be found in *Angevine et al.* [2006]

622         One amusing twist on the complexity was our estimates of ozone deposition  
623 velocity in the Gulf of Maine region. Values were distributed between 0 and  $1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$   
624 with a median of  $0.44 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ ; this value yields an e-folding time for surface removal of  
625 ozone from the boundary-layer of about 1 day. The different indirect versus bulk friction  
626 velocity values made little difference in the spatial distribution because the reactivity  
627 level we chose made deposition velocity less sensitive to wind forcing. Note that we

628 estimated deposition velocity and not the actual loss of ozone to the surface (i.e., the  
629 product of deposition velocity and concentration).

630 NEAQS-04 was principally a pollution experiment and was not designed to  
631 uncover unifying principles in coastal IBL physics, but a wealth of data remains  
632 unexplored. We anticipate that further investigation of the relationship between the gross  
633 stability, distance from shore, and BL depth might shed more light on the problem,  
634 although the challenge is to keep the number of variables significantly less than the  
635 number of data points.

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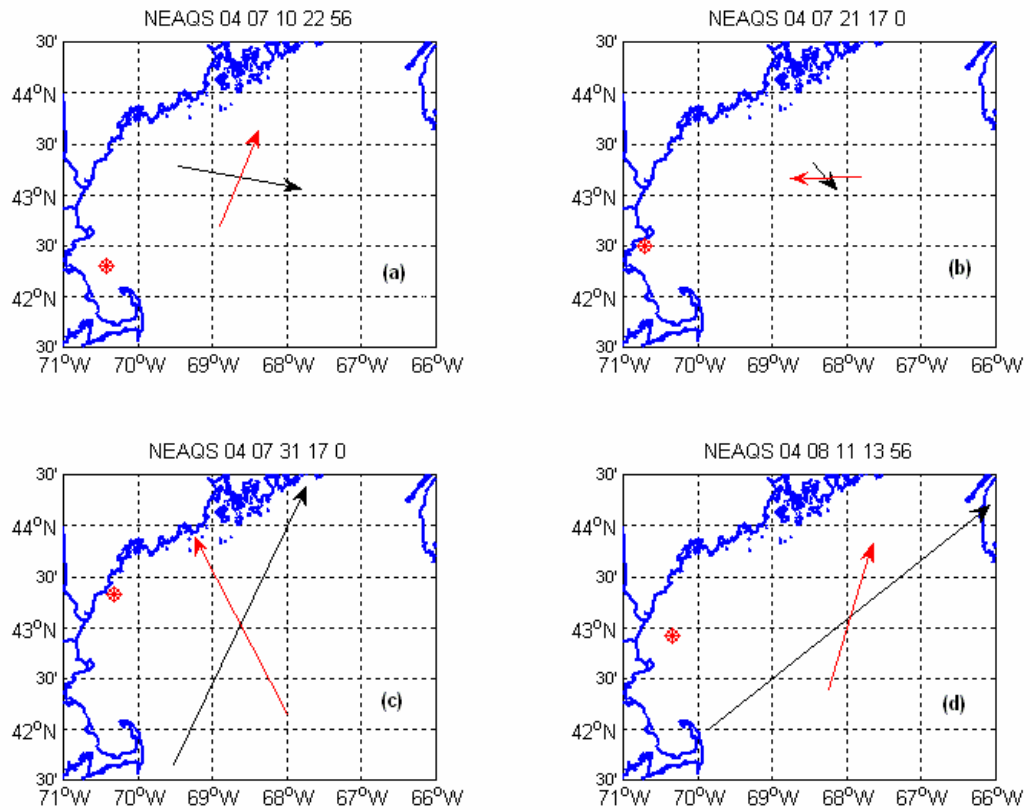
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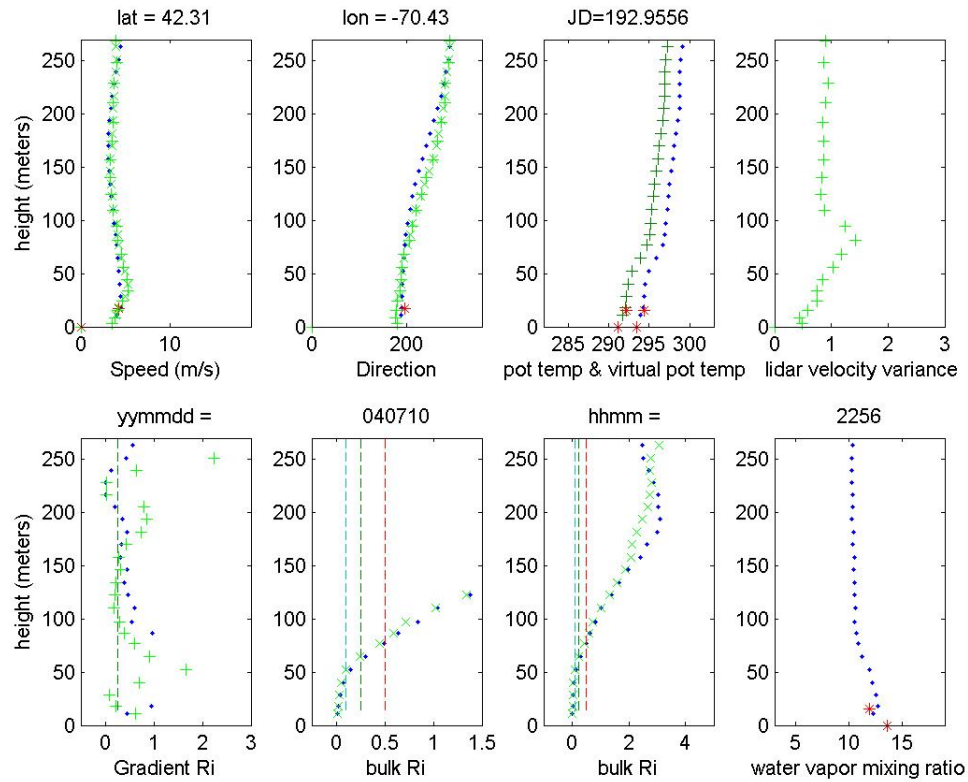
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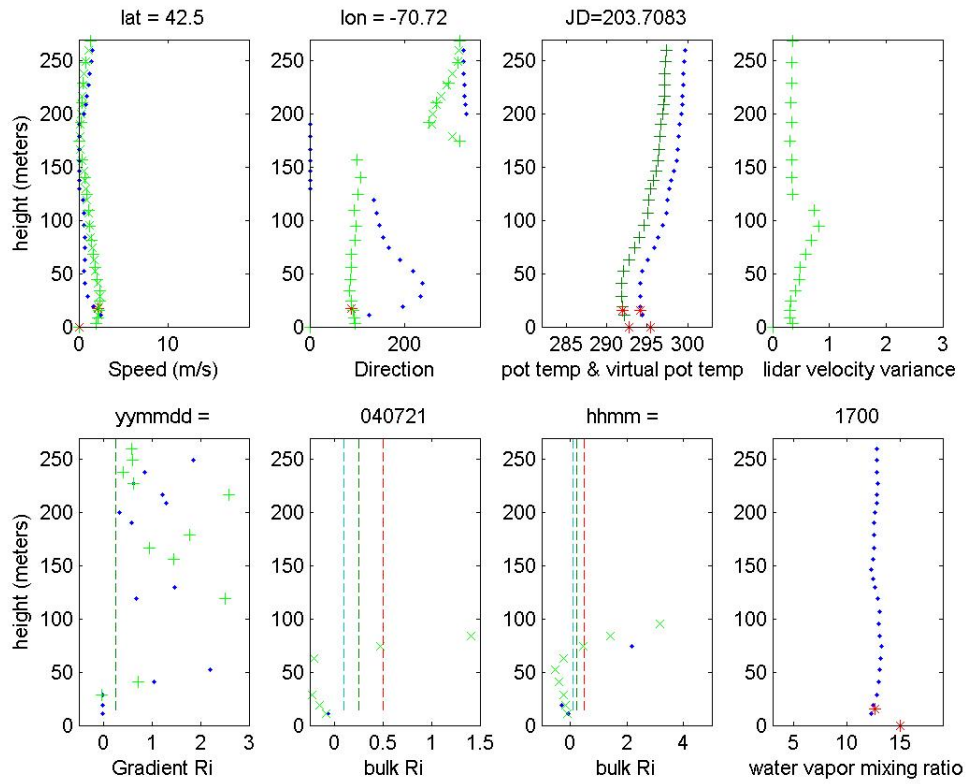
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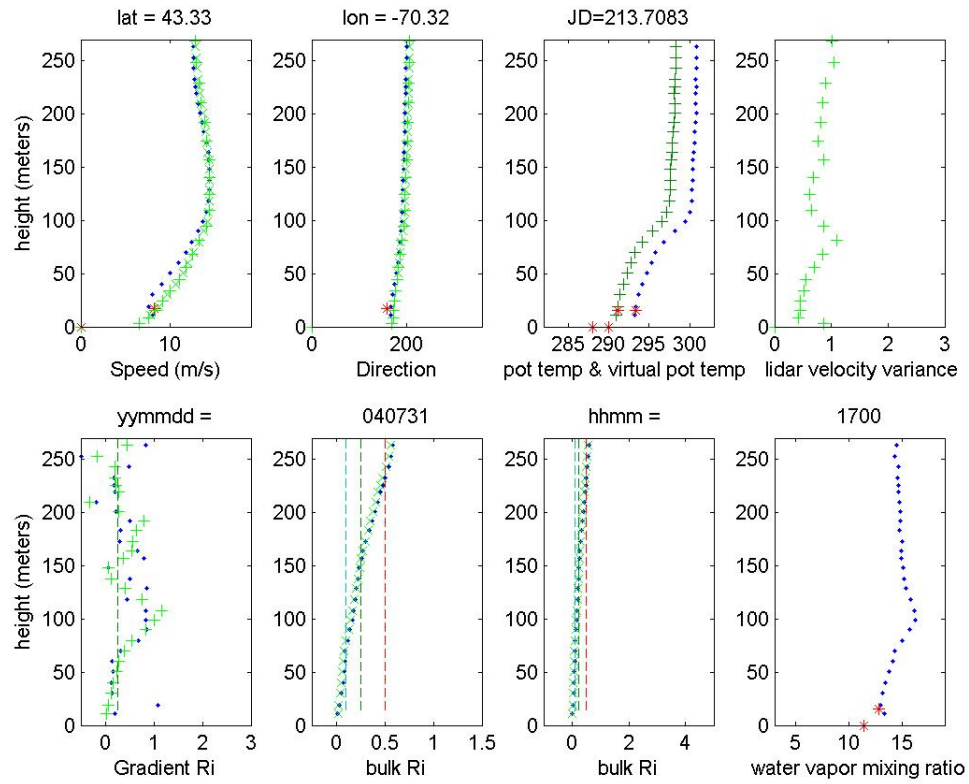
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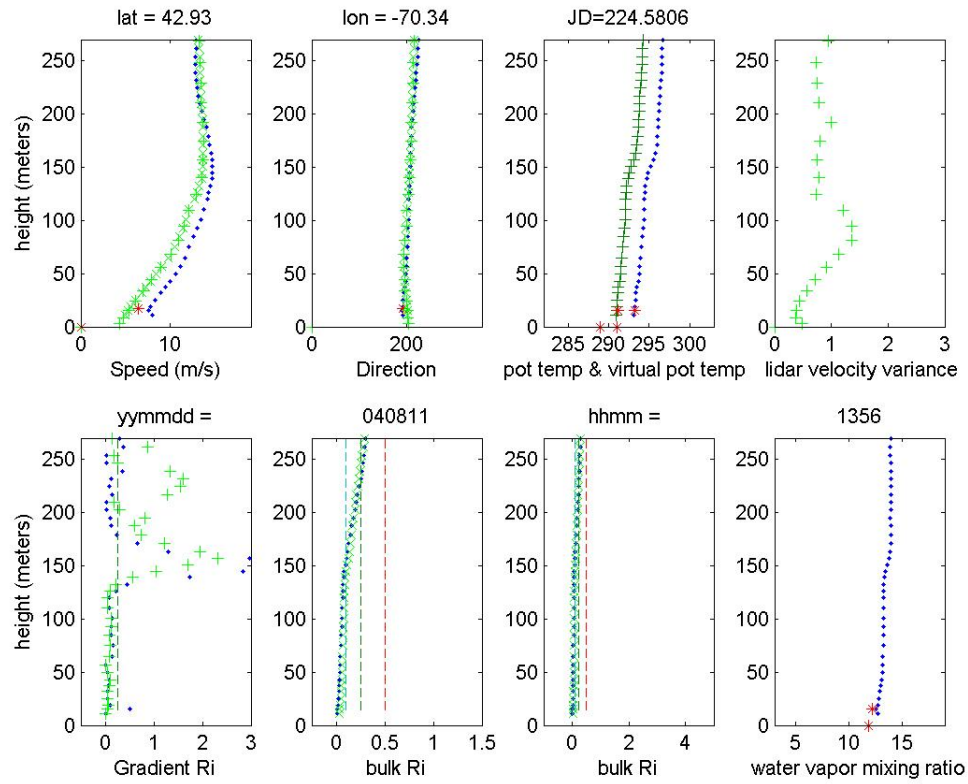
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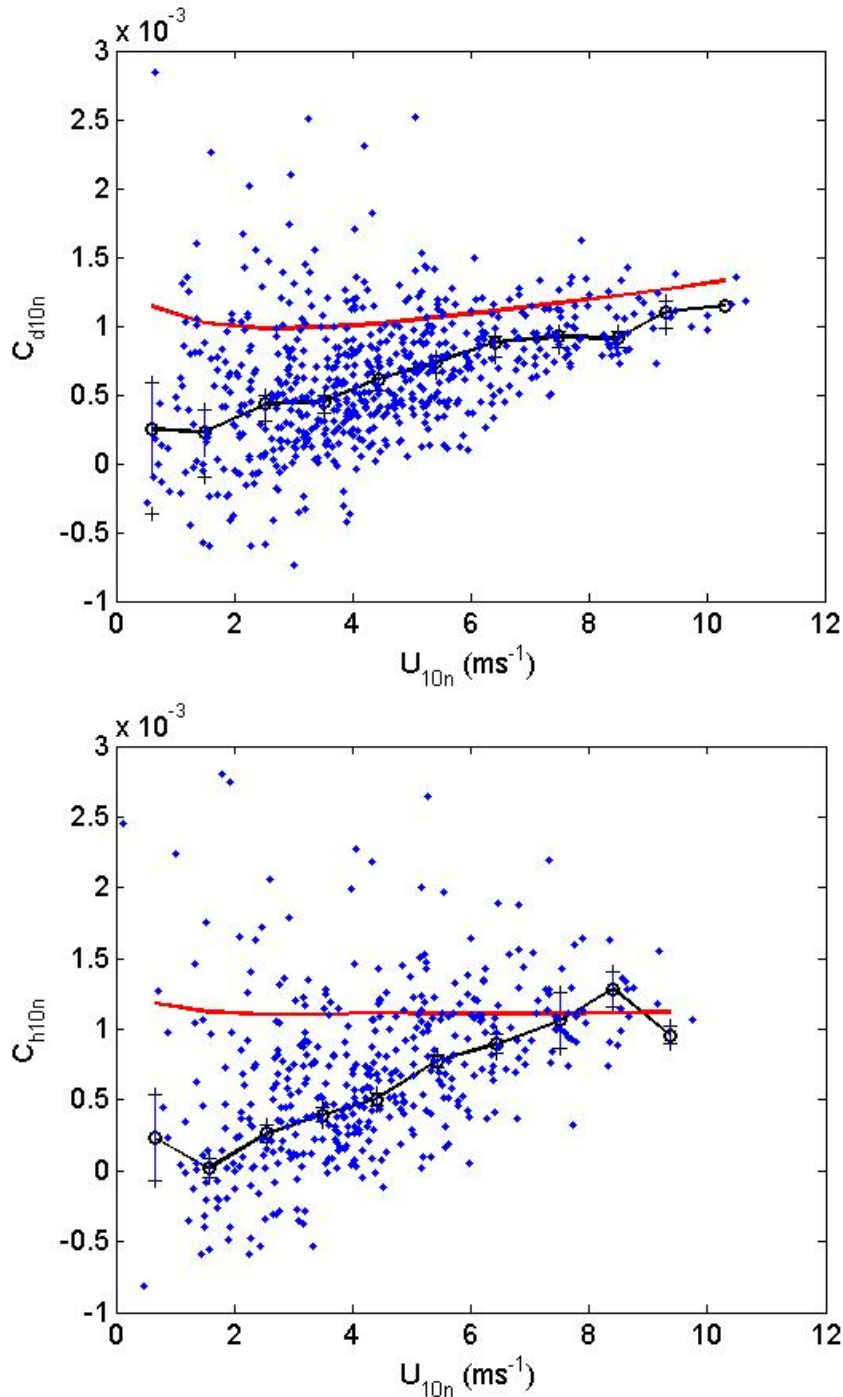
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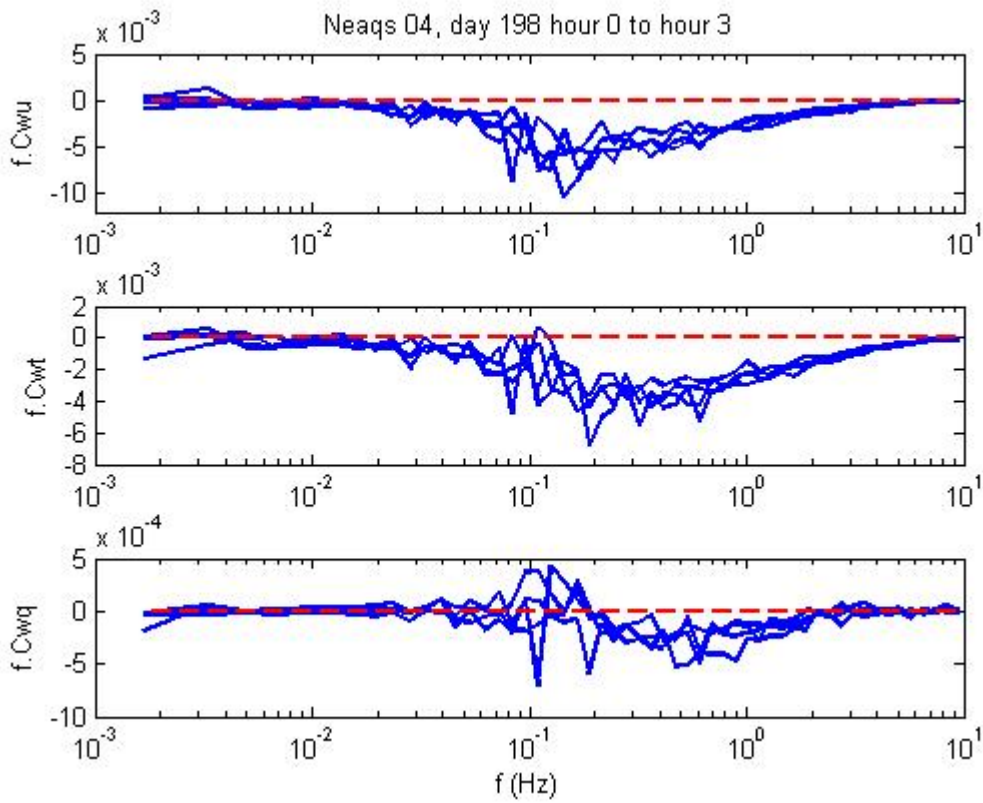


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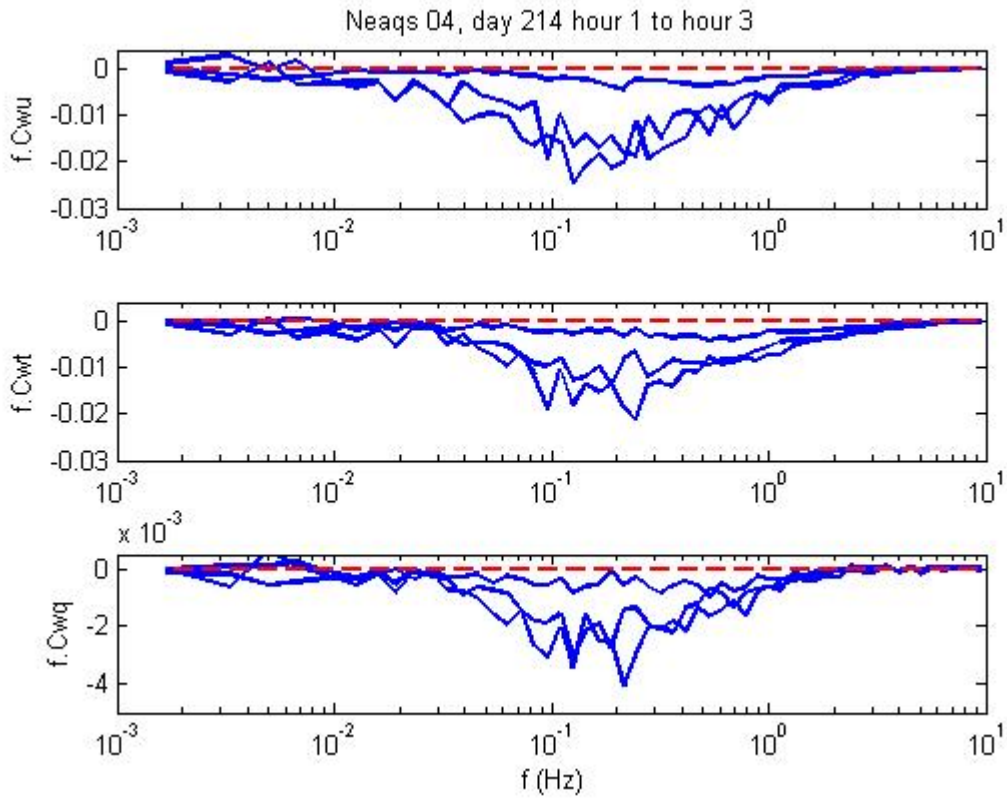
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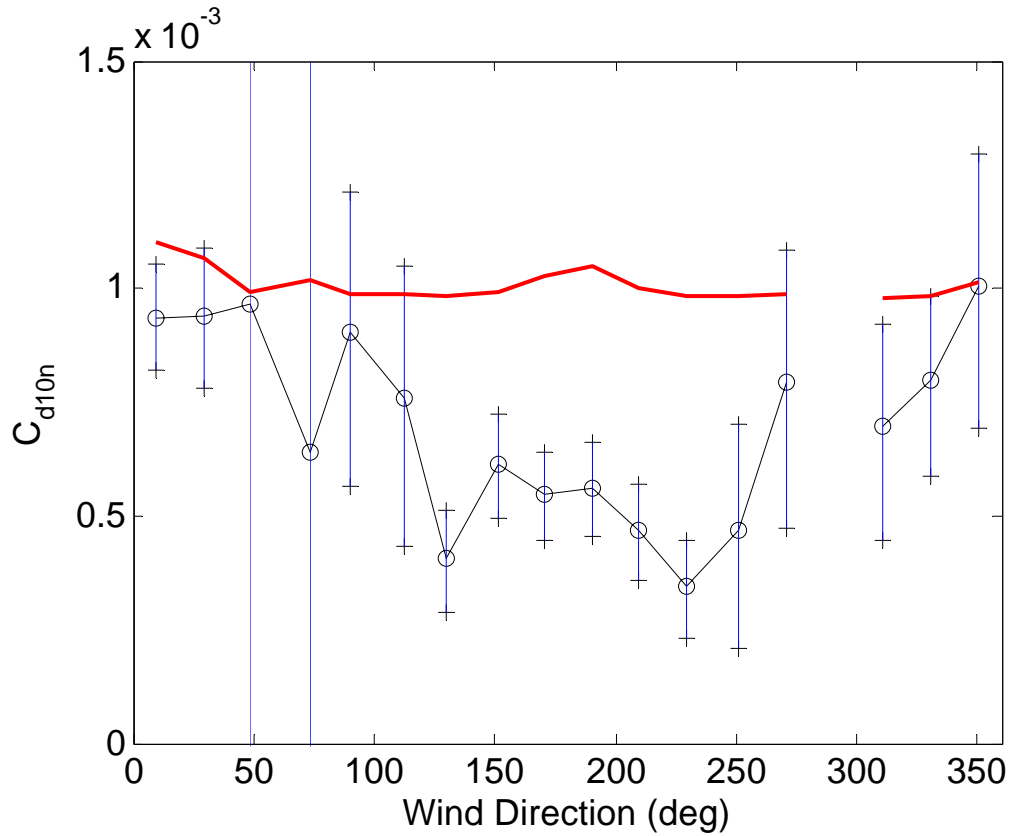
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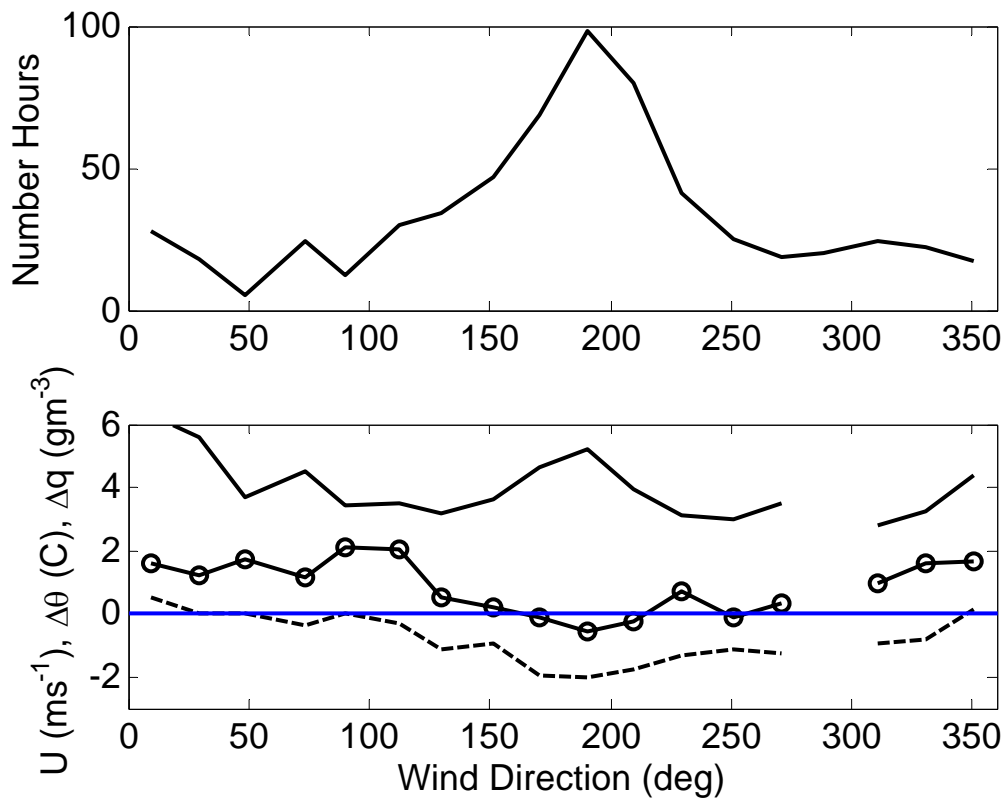
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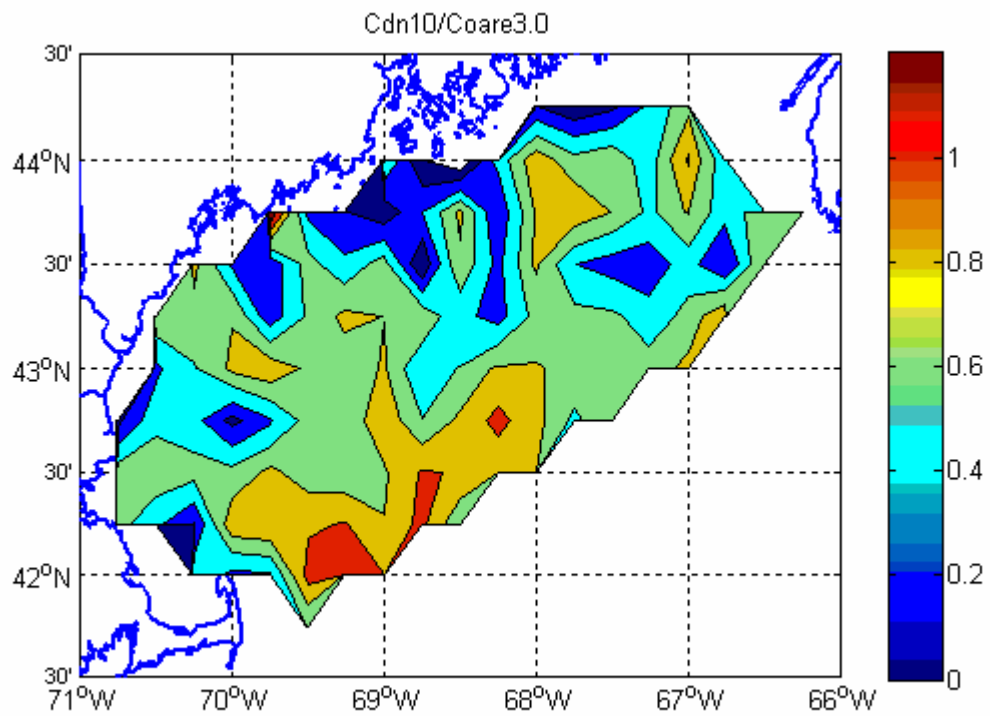
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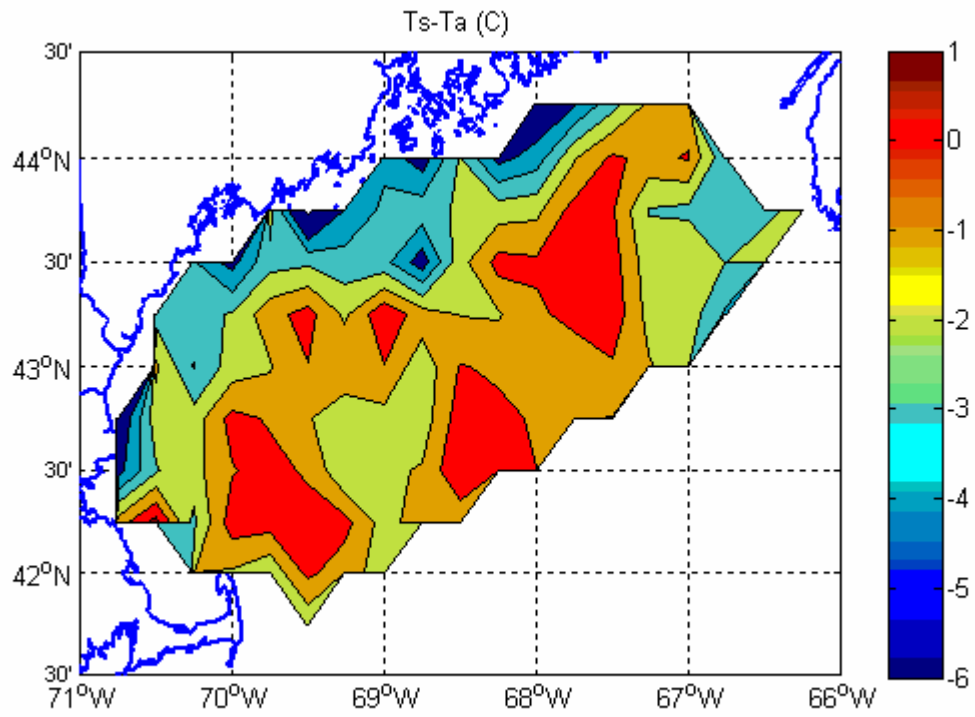
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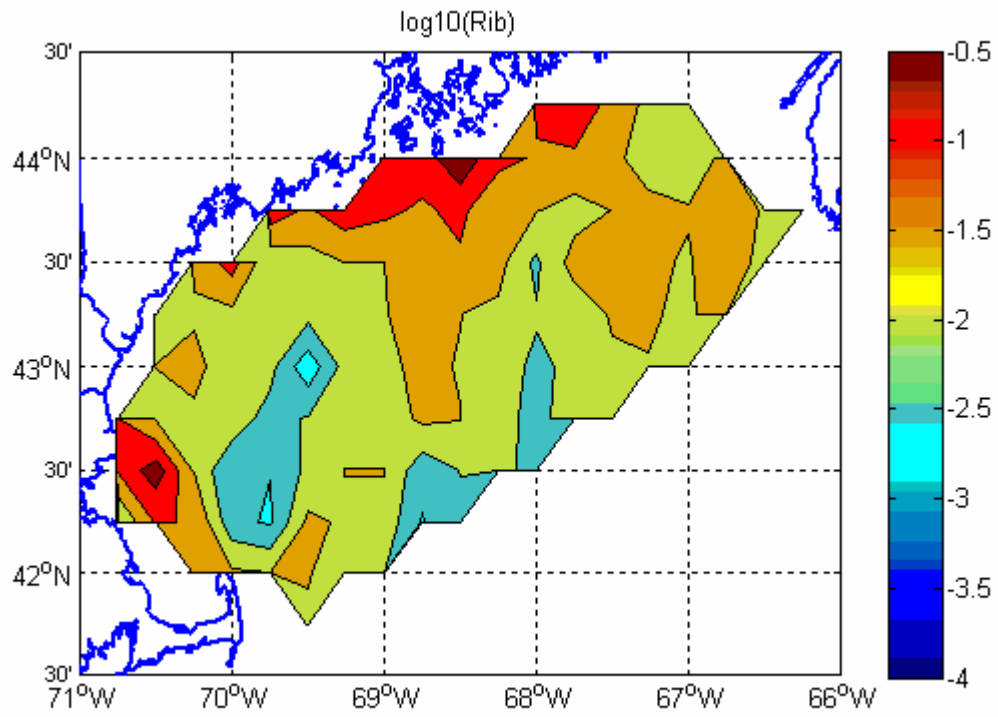
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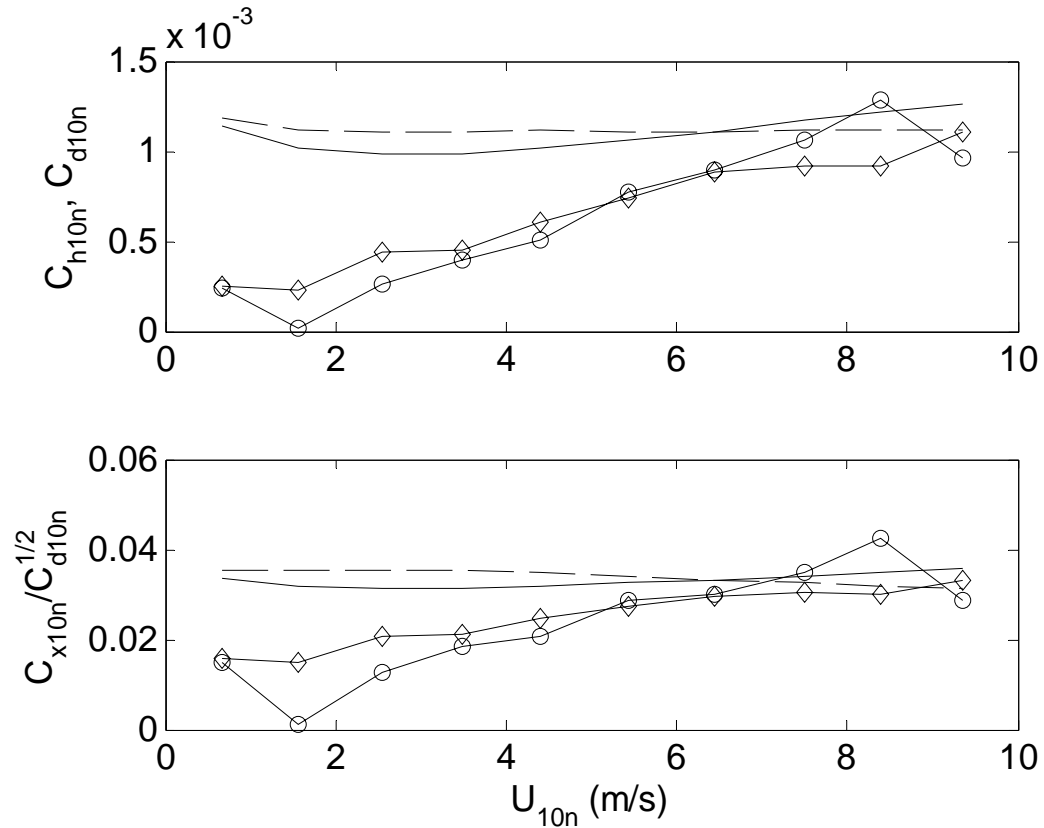
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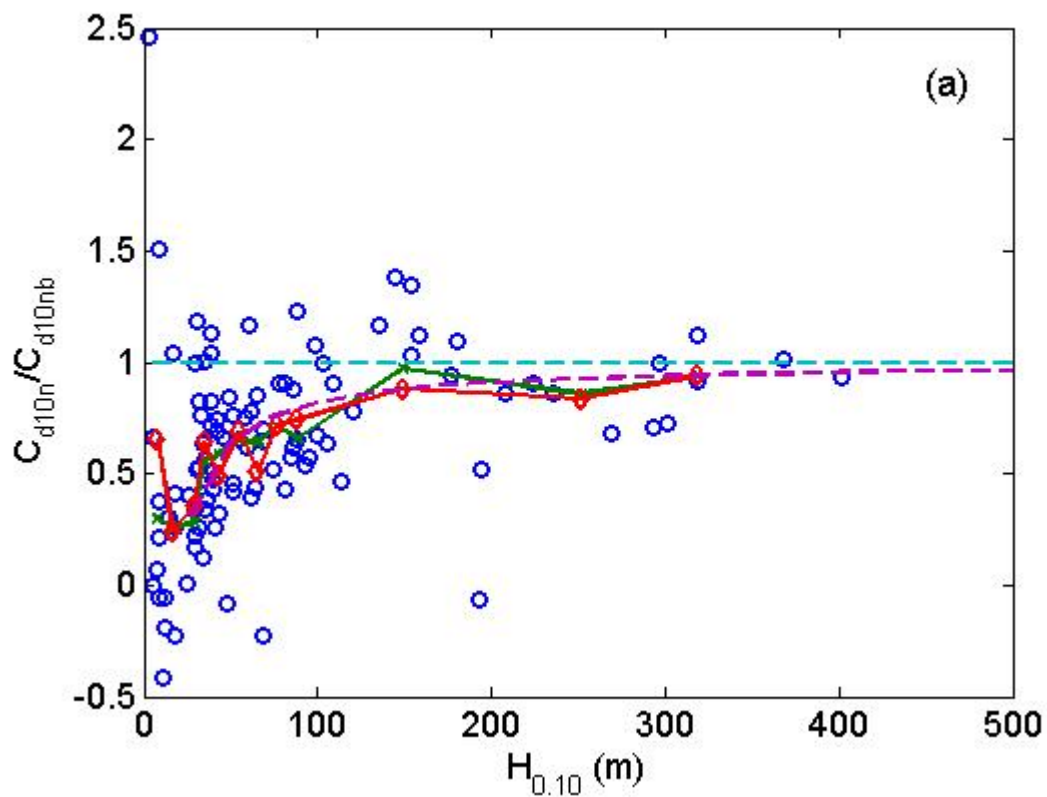
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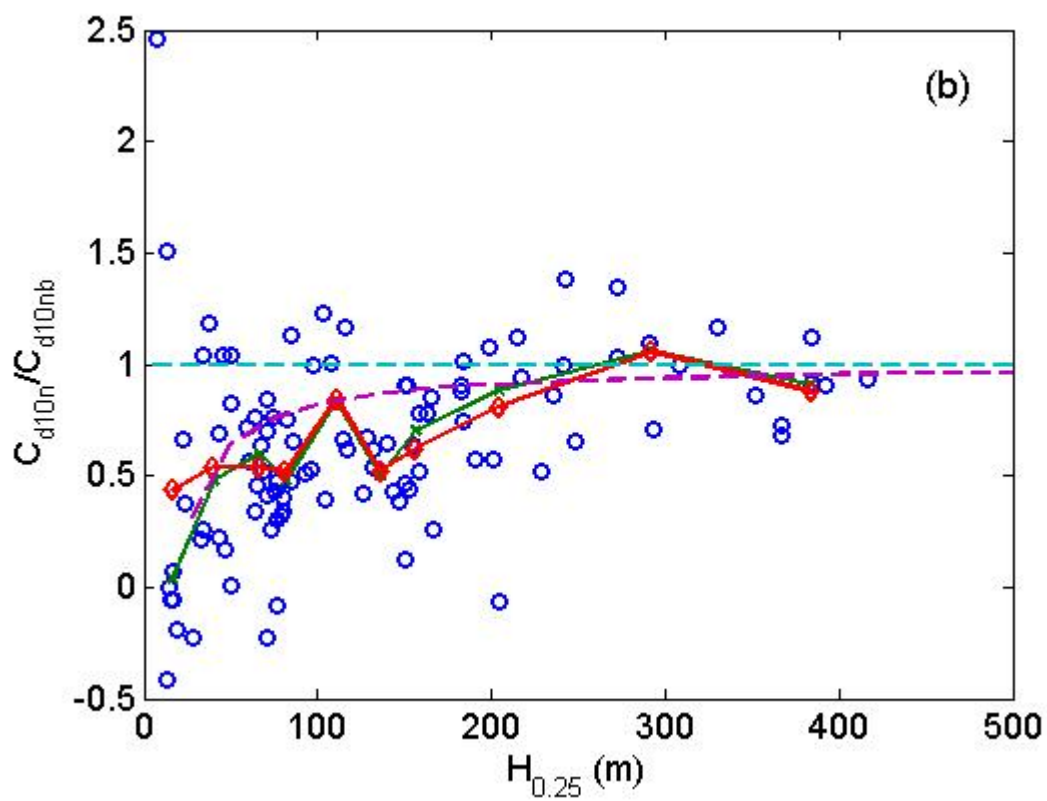


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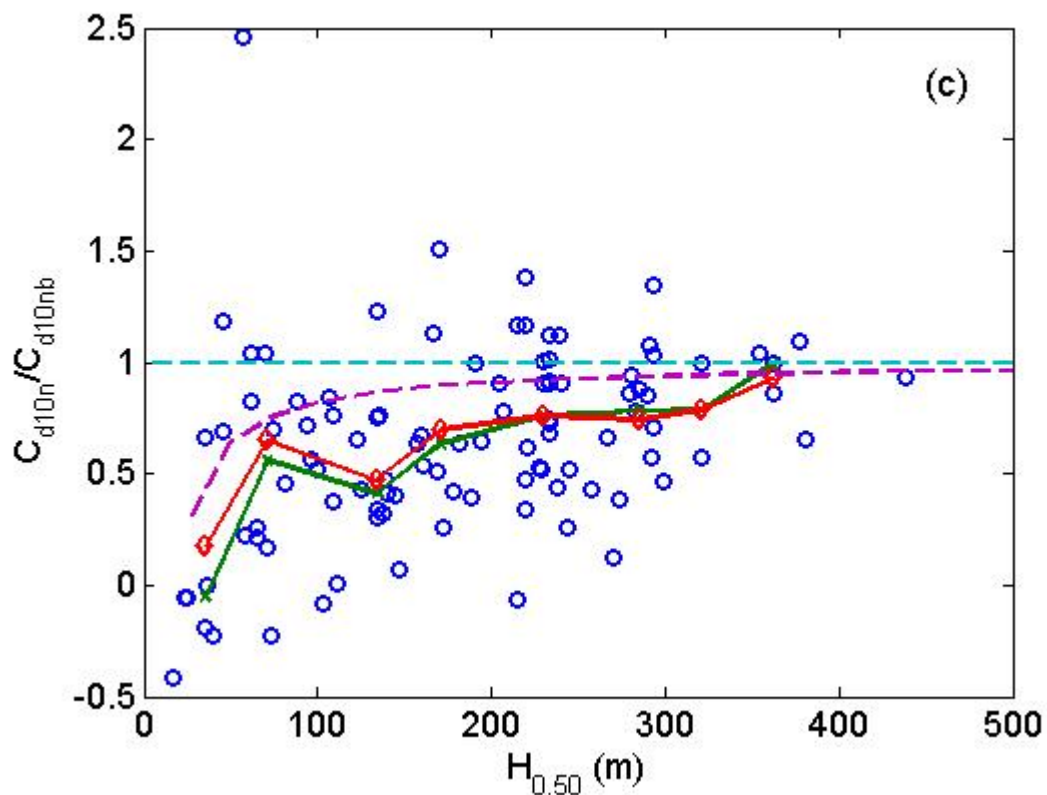
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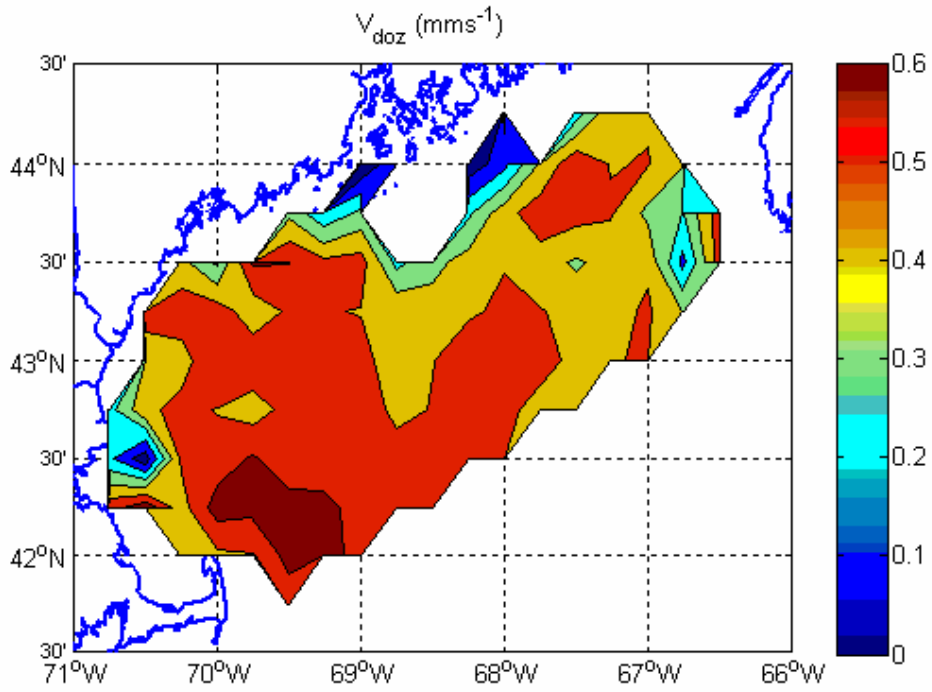


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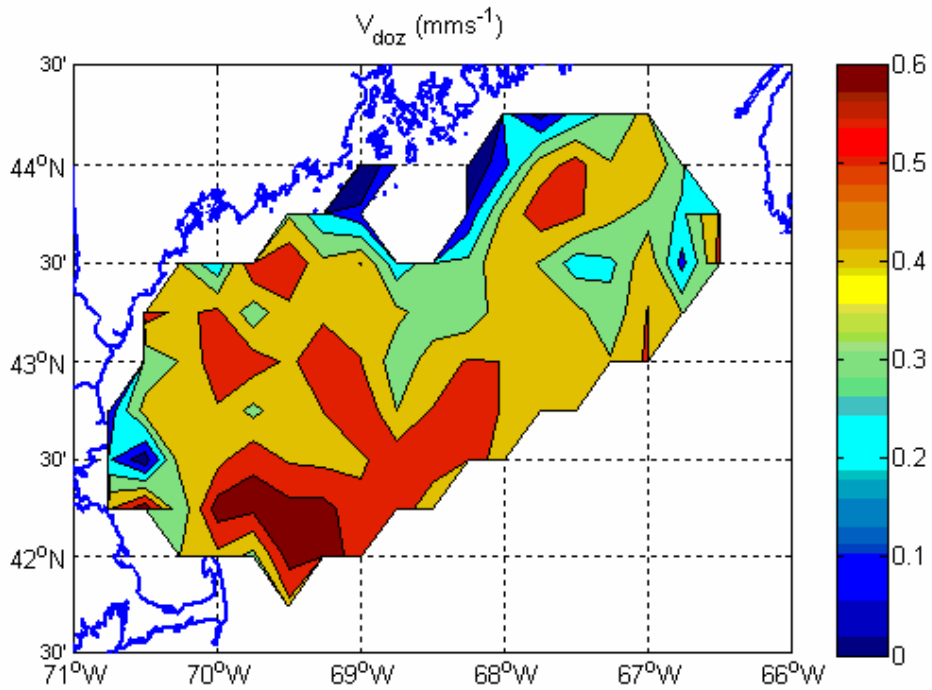


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