

Flux system on the WFBAY, result file output format README

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GreatLakes_flux10min_year-month_v3_decorr.txt - 10-minute met/flux results

43 columns formatted as follows:

% 1: fractional (decimal) day of year

% 2: air temperature, LUFFT sensor, deg C

% 3: relative humidity, LUFFT sensor, %

% 4: atmospheric pressure, LUFFT sensor, mbar

% 5: water temperature, Seabird, degC

% 6: solar downwelling radiative flux, LUFFT sensor, W/m²

% 7: IR downwelling radiative flux, W/m² - not measured, actually a clear sky model +10W added to it.

% 8: air temperature, IRGASON sensor, deg C

% 9: relative humidity, IRGASON sensor, %

% 10: atmospheric pressure, IRGASON sensor, mbar

% 11: air specific humidity from IRGASON, g/kg

% 12: air specific humidity from LUFFT, g/kg

% 13: surface saturation specific humidity, g/kg

% 14: air density, LUFFT sensor, kg/m³

% 15: true wind speed, IRGASON sensor, m/s

% 16: true wind direction, IRGASON sensor, deg

% 17: relative wind speed, IRGASON sensor, m/s

% 18: relative wind direction, IRGASON sensor, deg from bow

% 19: relative wind speed, LUFFT sensor, m/s

% 20: relative wind direction, LUFFT sensor, deg from bow

% 21: height above the reference ellipsoid (WGS84 coordinate system), m

% 22: latitude

% 23: longitude

% 24: Course-Over-Ground, estimated from IMU GPS, deg

% 25: Speed-Over-Ground, estimated from IMU GPS, m/s

% 26: mean airflow tilt angle, IRGASON, deg

% 27: heading, IMU sensor, deg

% 28: ship plume contamination index (1=bad, 0=good)

% 29: maneuver index (<3 is good)

% 30: latent heat 'Webb correction' flux

% 31: streamwise wind stress, covariance, IRGASON, N/m²

% 32: wind stress, COARE 3.6 bulk model, N/m²

% 33: sensible heat flux, covariance, IRGASON, W/m²

% 34: sensible heat flux, COARE 3.6 bulk model, W/m²

% 35: latent heat flux, covariance, IRGASON, W/m²

% 36: latent heat flux, COARE 3.6 bulk model, W/m²

% 37: Evaporation, covariance, mm/hour

% 38: Evaporation, COARE 3.6 bulk model, mm/hour

% 39: IRGASON H2O Strength
% 40: IRGASON CO2 Strength
% 41: CO2 concentration, IRGASON, umol/mol
% 42: CO2 flux, IRGASON, micatm m/s
% 43: std dev of CO2 concentration, IRGASON, umol/mol

Notes:

- Two quality criteria are provided in the data set:
 - * A maneuver index (j_{manuv}) less than 3 implies no significant maneuver during the average. This is an index based on the standard deviations of the heading, the ship speed and the ship motion in the y-direction.
 - * A ship plume contamination index (j_{plume}) equal 0 implies no ship or other contamination. This index is based on wind, temperature and humidity variances from the IRGASON, as well as H2O strength more than 80% and a mean tilt flow between 0 and 10degrees.

Combining those 2 quality criteria to the relative wind direction should remove most of the outliers from the data set. Other outliers should be assessed. For instance: $jj=find((rwdir_son < 90 \ \& \ rwdir_son > -90) \ \& \ j_{manuv} < 3 \ \& \ j_{plume} == 0);$

- Because the IRGASON detects water vapor mass concentration (ρ_v in kg/m^3), the water vapor -velocity correlation must be corrected as per Webb et al ($H_{latent} = Le \langle w' \rho_v' \rangle + hl_webb$). The values given for covariance heat fluxes in the file are $Le \langle w' \rho_v' \rangle$. Values for hl_webb are included in column 30. This should be applied to the covariance values. It is already included in the bulk values given here.
- The CO2 fluxes have not been corrected any possible effects (humidity or temperature Webb effect for instance).
- Sensible heat flux was computed from vertical velocity -sonic temperature covariance. The humidity contribution to sonic temperature was removed using the bulk latent heat flux.
- Assuming a draft of $\sim 8m$, the IRGASON&LUFFT sensor height were estimated to be around 23.5m, the IMU at 14.6m, the Seabird temperature sensor at $\sim -7m$ below water line.