

Diurnal variability of thermodynamics and carbon dioxide at CABAUW

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1 Introduction

We present surface and upper air observations and the numerical experiments using the mixed-layer model at Cabauw. The two cases have been extensively described at Vilà-Guerau de Arellano et al. (2004) and Casso-Torralba et al. (2008).

2 Case 1: 27th July 2002

Table 1 shows the initial and boundary conditions for the Cabauw case.

Table 1. The initial and prescribed values used for the mixed-layer model to calculate the boundary layer height, the thermodynamic and the carbon dioxide evolution on 27th July 2002 at Cabauw.

Boundary layer height at 5 UTC	250 m
Large scale subsidence velocity (w_s)	0.0 m/s
<u>Potential temperature</u>	
$\langle \theta \rangle$ at 5 UTC	291.5 K
$\Delta \theta$ at 5 UTC	3.5 K
$\overline{(w\theta)}_o$	$0.1 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ K m/s
β_{θ_v}	0.4
γ_θ	0.0055 K/m
<u>Specific humidity</u>	
$\langle q \rangle$ at 5 UTC	10.5 (g/Kg)
q_{FT}	9.0 (g/Kg)
Δq at 5 UTC	-1.5 (g/Kg)
$\overline{(wq)}_o$	$0.087 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ (g/Kg) m/s
γ_q	0 (g/kg)/m
<u>Carbon dioxide</u>	
$\langle co_2 \rangle$ at 5 UTC	390.0 ppm
co_{2FT}	360.0 ppm
Δco_2 at 5 UTC	-30.0 ppm
$\overline{(wco_2)}_o$	$-0.38 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ (ppm) m/s
γ_{co_2}	0 ppm/m

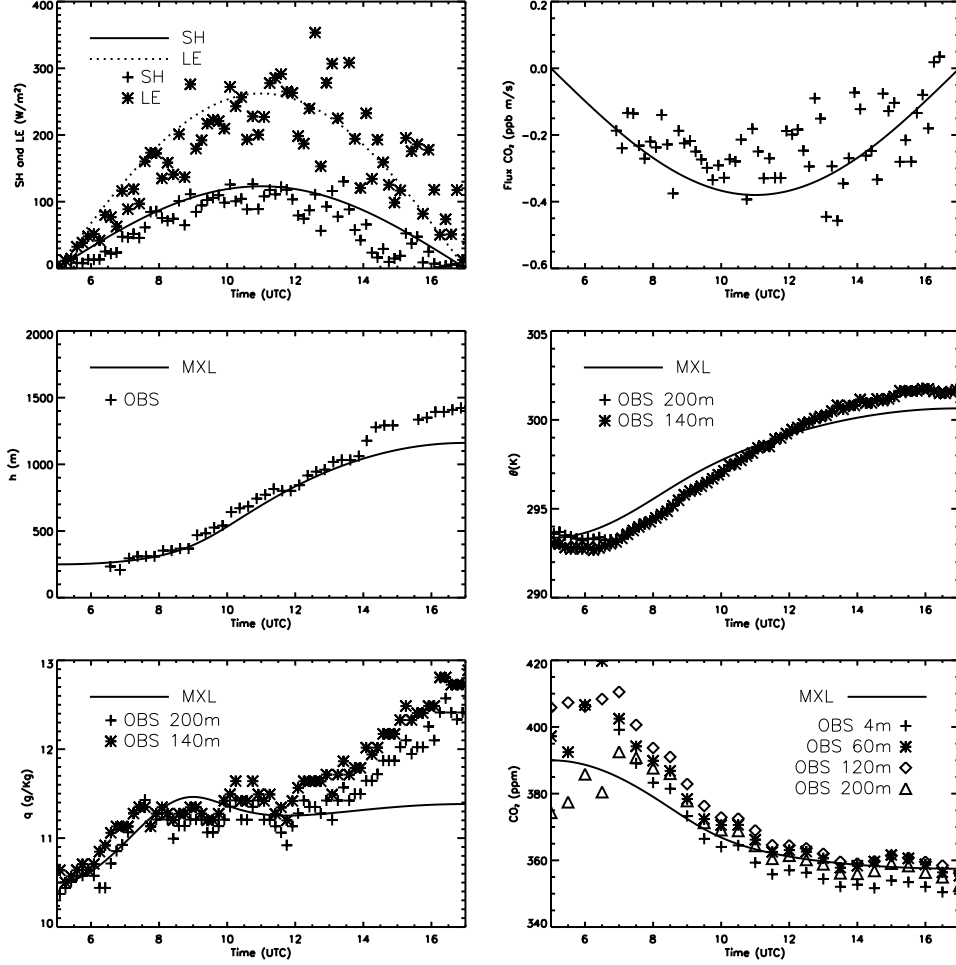


Figure 1: Diurnal evolution of the (a) surface fluxes, (b) carbon dioxide flux, (c) boundary layer height, (d) virtual potential temperature, (e) specific moisture and (f) carbon dioxide mixing ratio.

3 Case 2: 25th September 2003

Table 2 shows the initial and boundary conditions for the Cabauw case for 25th September 2003.

Table 2. The initial and prescribed values used for the mixed-layer model to calculate the boundary layer height, the thermodynamic and the carbon dioxide evolution on 25th September 2003 at Cabauw.

Boundary layer height at 6 UTC	120 m
Large scale subsidence velocity (w_s)	0.0 m/s
<u>Potential temperature</u> $\langle \theta \rangle$ at 6 UTC $\Delta\theta$ at 6 UTC $\overline{(w\theta)}_o$ β_{θ_v} γ_θ	285.0 K 1.2 K $0.11 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ K m/s 0.4 0.006 K/m
<u>Specific humidity</u> $\langle q \rangle$ at 6 UTC q_{FT} Δq at 6 UTC $\overline{(wq)}_o$ γ_q	4.5 (g/Kg) 3.5 (g/Kg) -1.0 (g/Kg) $0.083 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ (g/Kg) m/s 0 (g/kg)/m
<u>Carbon dioxide</u> $\langle co_2 \rangle$ at 6 UTC co_{2FT} Δco_2 at 6 UTC $\overline{(wco_2)}_o$ γ_{co_2}	410.0 ppm 378.0 ppm -32.0 ppm $-0.13 \sin(\frac{\pi t}{t_d})$ (ppm) m/s 0 ppm/m

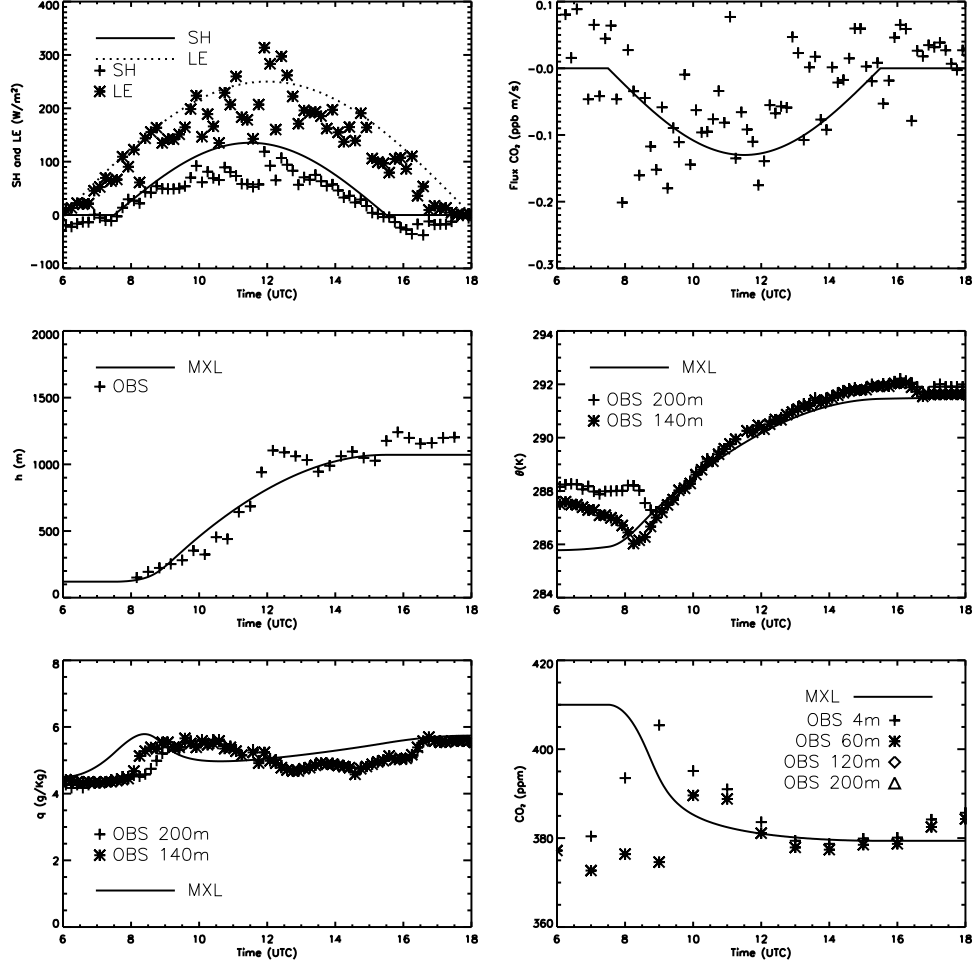


Figure 2: Diurnal evolution of the (a) surface fluxes, (b) carbon dioxide flux, (c) boundary layer height, (d) virtual potential temperature, (e) specific moisture and (f) carbon dioxide mixing ratio.

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