University of British Columbia, Vancouver GEOS 300 - Microscale Weather and Climate Knox

Study Questions - Lecture 18

1. During an hour, you measure air temperature T every 10 minutes according the table below. Calculate the following terms:

Minutes	T
10	12.6°C
20	11.2°C
30	11.9°C
40	13.1°C
50	12.0°C
60	11.8°C

(a) \overline{T}	(d) $\overline{T'}$
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(b)
$$T'$$
 at 40 min (e) $\overline{T'^2}$

(c)
$$T'^2$$
 at 20 min (f) $\overline{T'}^2$

2. Simplify the following terms. T is temperature, p is pressure, q is absolute humidity, u, v, w are the longitudinal, lateral and vertical wind components.

(a)
$$\overline{5}$$
 (f) $\overline{T'} \times \overline{w}$

(b)
$$\overline{8v}$$
 (g) $\overline{3q'}$

(c)
$$\overline{\overline{Tp}}$$
 (h) $\overline{w' \times \overline{u}}$

(d)
$$\overline{\overline{u}}$$
 (i) $\overline{\overline{T}p}$

(e)
$$\overline{q'}$$
 (j) \overline{wT}

- 3. Calculate the following parameters if $\overline{u}=4\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}},\,\overline{v}=0\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}},\,\overline{w}=0\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}},\,\sigma_{u}=0.4\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}},\,\sigma_{v}=0.2\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}},\,\mathrm{and}~\sigma_{w}=0.1\,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}.$
 - (a) I_u

(d) $\overline{u'^2} + \overline{v'^2} + \overline{w'^2}$

(b) I_w

(e) MKE/m

(c) $\overline{w'^2}$

(f) \overline{e}