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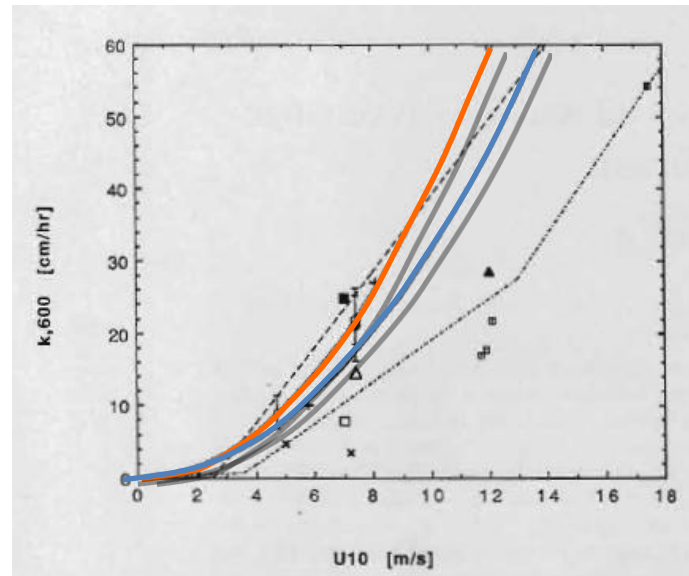


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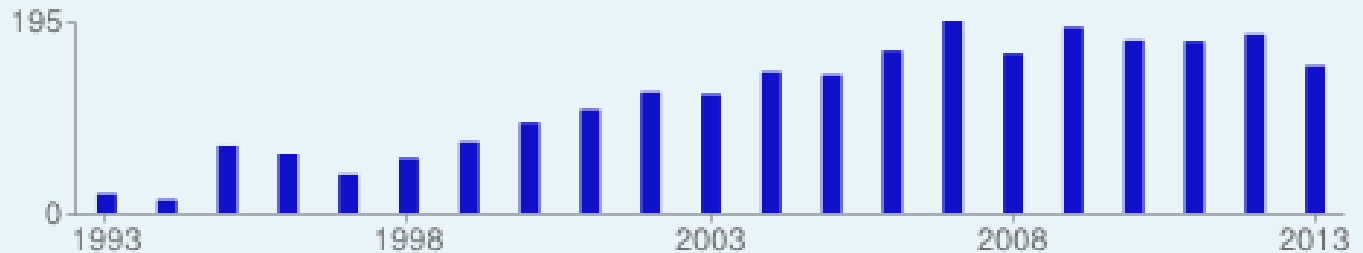
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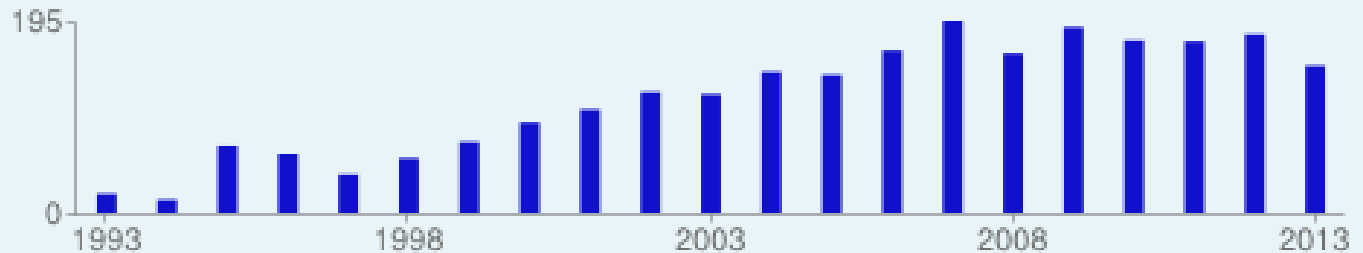
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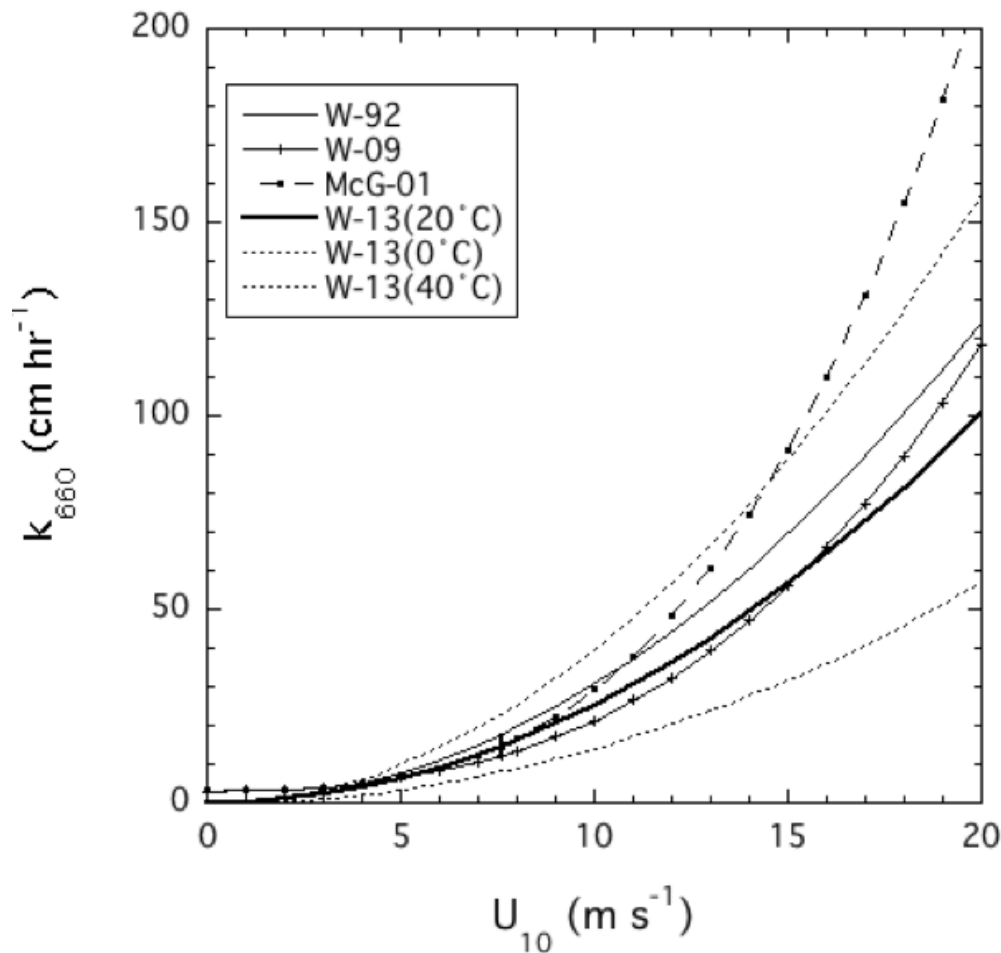
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$$k = 0.251 \langle U^2 \rangle (Sc/660)^{-0.5}$$



- A new coefficient
- Use of 2nd moment of wind

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Focus on CO₂ exchange

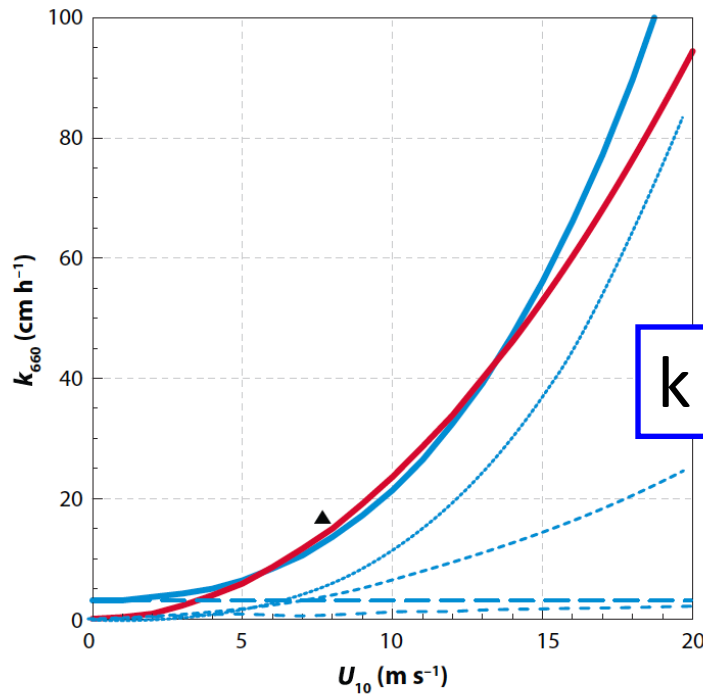
Basic assumptions

1. An assumed functionality between gas transfer and wind over the ocean ✓
1. Global constraint on gas exchange (k): ¹⁴C - **Updated & Improved**
1. Link the global average k to a global average wind speed $\langle U_{10} \rangle$ - **No**
1. Normalization for temperature ✓ **Updated Schmidt numbers (-2 to 40 °C)**
1. Include the impact of variability of the wind on the average k – **No use local wind product (CCMP 0.25° 6-hr)**

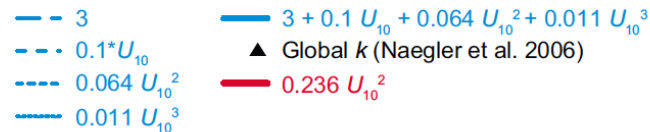
An assumed functionality between gas transfer and wind over the ocean

While a multi-function U relationship (“hybrid model”) more accurately represents the processes, it can be well approximated by a quadratic

$$k = 3 + 0.1 \langle U \rangle + 0.064 \langle U^2 \rangle + 0.011 \langle U^3 \rangle$$

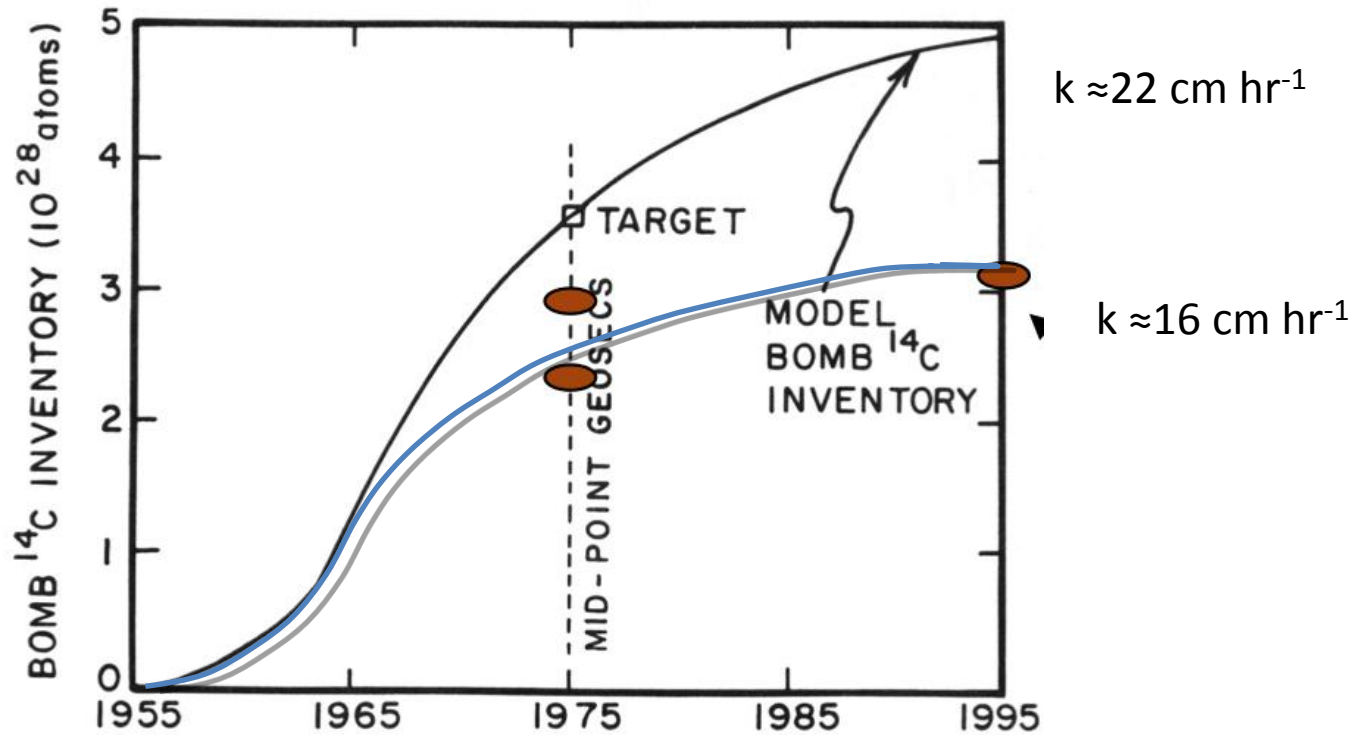


$$k = a (\text{Sc}/660)^{-1/2} \langle U^2 \rangle$$



Wanninkhof, R., Asher, W. E., Ho, D. T., Sweeney, C. S., and McGillis, W. R.: Advances in Quantifying Air-Sea Gas Exchange and Environmental Forcing, Annual Reviews Mar. Science, 1, 213-244, 101146/annurev.marine.010908.163742, 2009.

Global constraint on gas exchange (k): ^{14}C - Updated & Improved



ated Global bomb ^{14}C inventory : Suggests global gas transfer velocity $\approx 16 \text{ cm hr}^{-1}$
(Fuglestad et al., 2009)

Link the global average k to a global average wind speed $\langle U_{10} \rangle$ - **No**

W-92:

$$\langle U_{10} \rangle = 7.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = 21 \text{ cm hr}^{-1}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = \mathbf{0.39}$$

$$\langle U_{10} \rangle^2$$

Improved: Much better estimates of wind over the ocean

$$\langle U_{10} \rangle = 7.3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = 16 \text{ cm hr}^{-1}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = \mathbf{0.30} \langle U_{10} \rangle^2$$

Updated bomb ^{14}C has the largest impact on the estimate of the coefficient

Normalization for temperature

Updated Schmidt numbers (-2 to 40 °C)

$$Sc = A + Bt + Ct^2 + dt^3 + Et^4 \quad (T \text{ in } ^\circ\text{C})$$

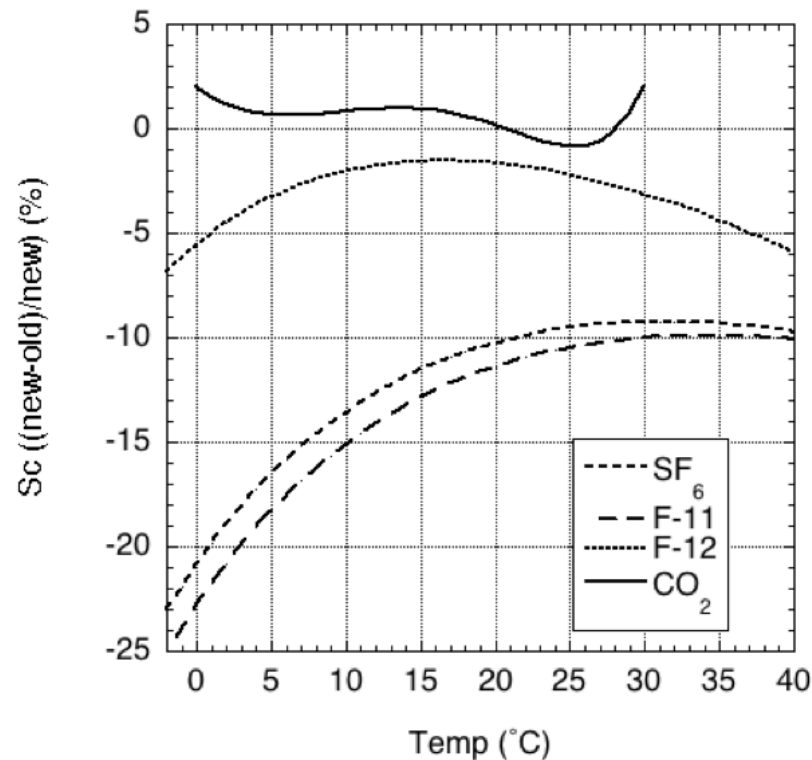
Table 1. Coefficients for the Schmidt number of various gases in seawater (35 ‰) for temperature from -2 °C to 40 °C.

Gas	A	B	C	D	E	Sc(20 °C)
<i>Seawater</i>						
³ He ^a	369.11	-19.485	0.60131	-0.011005	0.000087258	146
He ^a	416.36	-21.979	0.67828	-0.012413	0.000098427	165
Ne ^a	844.95	-48.305	1.5615	-0.029273	0.00023487	307
Ar ^b	2078.1	-146.74	5.6403	-0.11838	0.0010148	615
O ₂ ^b	1920.4	-135.6	5.2122	-0.10939	0.00093777	568
N ₂ ^b	2304.8	-162.75	6.2557	-0.13129	0.0011255	682
Kr ^a	2252	-147.33	5.1729	-0.10141	0.00083242	696
Xe ^a	2975.2	-201.06	7.2057	-0.14287	0.0011798	882
CH ₄ ^a	2101.2	-131.54	4.4931	-0.08676	0.00070663	687
CO ₂ ^a	2116.8	-136.25	4.7353	-0.092307	0.0007555	668
N ₂ O ^b	2356.2	-166.38	6.3952	-0.13422	0.0011506	697
Rn ^a	3489.6	-244.56	8.9713	-0.18022	0.0014985	985
SF ₆ ^c	3177.5	-200.57	6.8865	-0.13335	0.0010877	1028
DMS ^d	2855.7	-177.63	6.0438	-0.11645	0.00094743	941
F-12 ^e	3828.1	-249.86	8.7603	-0.1716	0.001408	1188
F-11 ^e	3579.2	-222.63	7.5749	-0.14595	0.0011874	1179
CH ₃ Br ^f	2181.8	-138.4	4.7663	-0.092448	0.0007547	701
CCl ₄ ^b	4398.7	-308.25	11.798	-0.24709	0.0021159	1315

Normalization for temperature

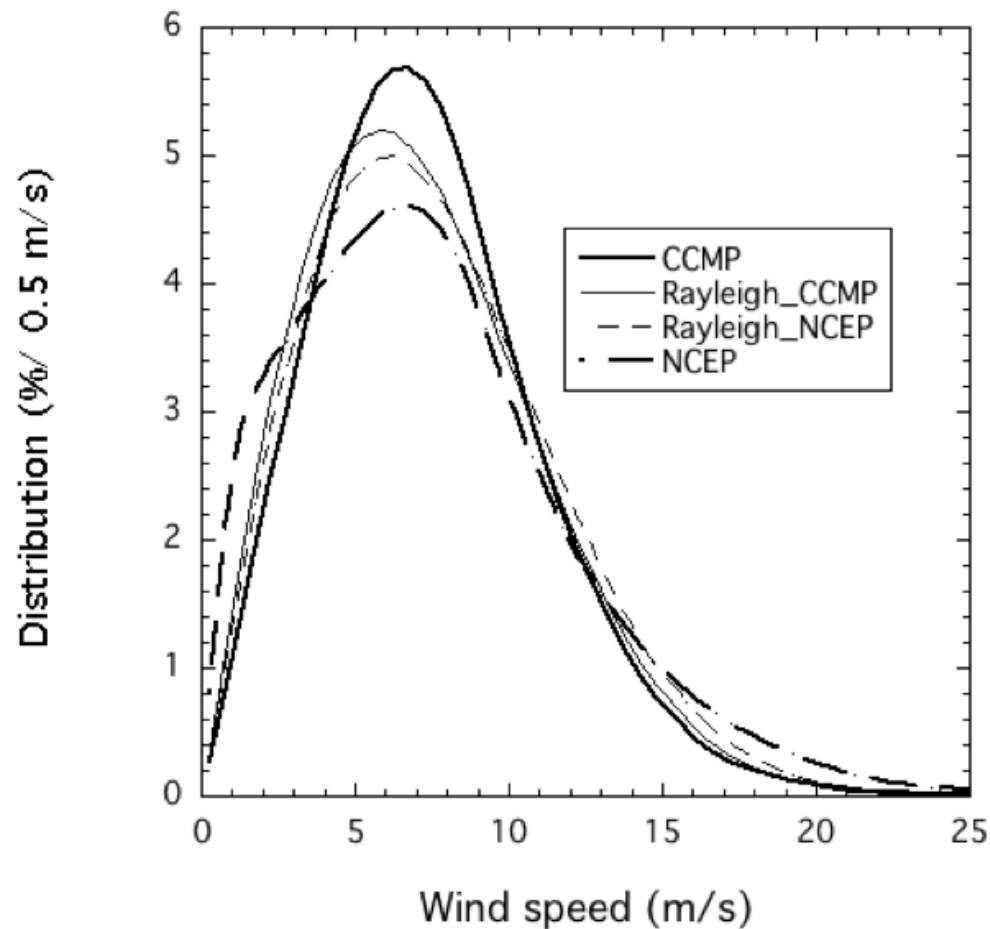
Updated Schmidt numbers (-2 to 40 °C)

- Change in curve fit < 2 % uncertainty
- Measured vs estimated diffusion coefficient (D): up to 25 % difference
- Assume that fresh water D is 6 % greater than salt water D
- Saltzman's group saw no difference in diffusion coefficients using fresh water or a 35 g/l sodium chloride (NaCl) solution for, SF₆, CH₃Cl, and F-11 but did see ≈ 4-7 % difference for CH₄ and F-12.



Include the impact of variability of the wind on the average k
No, use local wind product (CCMP 0.25° 6-hr)

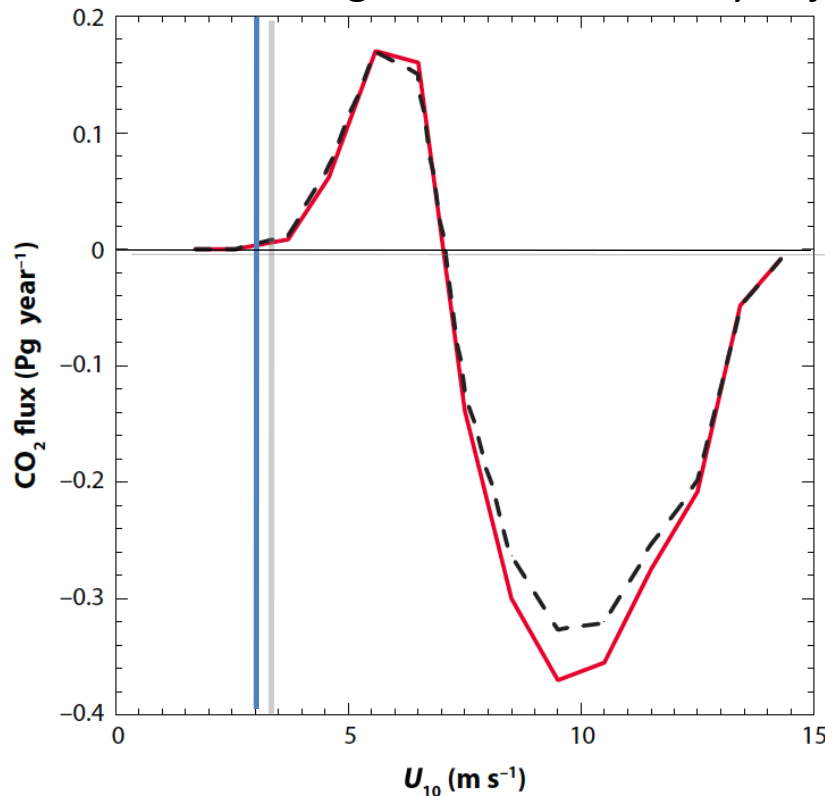
Wind products have appreciable differences and differences will contribute significantly to estimated flux



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Due to co-variation of wind speeds and $\Delta p\text{CO}_2$ differing wind speed distribution leads to a 0.2 Pg C yr^{-1} ($\approx 15\%$) lower net CO_2 uptake by the ocean uptake for the CCMP winds compared to NCEP-2 winds even after accounting for differences in global mean wind by adjusting coefficient “a”



Low winds-outgassing
High winds- influx

— $k_{660} = 0.24 U^2$

- - $k_{660} = 3 + 0.1 U + 0.064 U^2 + 0.011 U^3$

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Uncertainty in k for CO_2 exchange

1. The coefficient (10 %- Ho et al.; Sweeney et al.; Nightingale et al.) for $3\text{-}12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
2. Wind: 0.3 m s^{-1} at 7.3 m s^{-1} (4%)
3. Schmidt number: 5 %
4. Low wind ($k = 0.0251 U^2$ vs. constant 3 cm hr^{-1} up to 3.5 m s^{-1})
5. High wind, additional 10 % uncertainty ($> 12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$)

$$\Delta k k^{-1} = 0.0251/0.251 + \Delta \langle U^2 \rangle / \langle U^2 \rangle + 0.5 \Delta Sc / Sc + \Delta k k^{-1}_{(k=3, U_{10} < 3.5)} + \Delta \langle U^2 \rangle / \langle U^2 \rangle_{U_{10} > 12}$$

$$\Delta k k^{-1} = 0.1 + 0.04 + 0.025 + 0.01 + 0.02 = 0.20$$

$$\Delta k \approx 20 \%$$

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Conclusion:

$$k = 0.251 \pm 0.05 \langle U^2 \rangle (Sc/660)^{-0.5}$$

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