



Measurement report: Characterization of uncertainties of fluxes and fuel sulfur content from ship emissions at the Baltic Sea

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Abstract. Deposition of gaseous compounds and nanoparticles from ship emissions was studied by micrometeorological methods at Harmaja in the Baltic Sea. The gradient method was used to measure fluxes of SO2, NO, NO2, O3, CO2, and Ntot (number concentration of nanoparticles). In addition, the fluxes of CO₂ were measured by the eddy covariance method. Distortion of the flow field caused by obstacles around the measurement mast was studied by applying a computation fluid dynamic (CFD) model. This was used to establish the corresponding heights in the undisturbed stream, and the wind speed as well as the turbulent parameters at each of the established heights were recalculated for the gradient model. The effect of waves on the boundary layer was taken into consideration, because the Monin-Obukhov theory used to calculate the fluxes is not valid in the presence of swell. Uncertainty budgets for the measurement systems were constructed to judge the reliability of the results. No clear fluxes across the air-sea nor sea-air interface were observed for SO_2 , NO, NO_2 , NO_3 (= $NO + NO_2$) or O_3 , while a negative flux was observed for N_{tot} with a median value of -0.23×10⁹ m⁻² s⁻¹ and an uncertainty range of 31-41 %. For CO₂, while both positive and negative fluxes were observed, the median value was -0.0036 mg m⁻² s⁻¹ with uncertainty ranges of 25-36 % and 30-60 % for the GR and EC methods, respectively. Ship emissions were responsible for deposition of Ntot while they had a minor effect on CO₂ deposition. The fuel sulfur content (FSC) of the marine fuel used in ships passing the site was determined from the observed ratio of SO_2 and CO_2 concentrations. A typical value of 0.40 ± 0.06 %, was obtained for FSC, which is in compliance with the contemporary FSC limit value of 1 % in the Baltic Sea Area. The method to estimate the uncertainty of FSC was found to be accurate enough for use with the latest regulations, 0.1 % (Baltic Sea Area) and 0.5 % (Global Oceans).





1 Introduction

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The Baltic Sea, due to its nature as a relatively small inland sea with heavy ship traffic and a large population around the sea, is very sensitive to pollutants. Due to the very narrow and shallow strait of Kattegat in Denmark, the exchange of seawater between the North Sea and the Baltic Sea is limited. The load of phosphorus and nitrogen in the Baltic Sea mainly comes through the rivers. In addition, the airborne deposition of pollutants from the emissions of ships, and from industry, are becoming more and more important sources (Hongisto and Joffre, 2005). Ship emissions of most of the air pollutants except CO have decreased during 2006-2018, but greenhouse gas emissions from ships have remained stable throughout the period, regardless of the growth of ship transport reported in tonne kilometres (HELCOM, 2019). Ship emissions enter the sea mostly by indirect deposition of sulfur and nitrogen compounds through chemical conversion in the atmosphere (de Leeuw et al., 2003; Hongisto et al., 2005; Hongisto, 2014), or by direct deposition from the gas phase. The need for reduction of atmospheric pollutants in the emissions has been taken seriously within the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which launched the MARPOL agreement for reduction of ship emissions, Annex VI (IMO, 1997). The latest revision includes more stringent emission limits for NO_x and SO₂. In spite of these abatement regulations, the ship emissions of IMO registered vehicles and non-IMO registered vehicles show constant or slightly increasing trends for the compounds NO_x, SO₂, and PM_{2.5}, as well as a clearly increasing trend for CO. Once the stringent regulation for fuel sulfur content (FSC) in marine fuel came into power in 2014, the emissions of SO₂ and PM_{2.5} decreased rapidly at regional and global level (Johansson and Jalkanen, 2016; Johnsson et al 2020; Seppälä et al. 2020).

The goal of this study was to measure fluxes of atmospheric pollutants from the ship emissions, to define the FSC from the ship emission plume and to characterise the uncertainty sources of the measurement result. The measurements took place at the Baltic Sea at the small island of Harmaja in the vicinity of the city of Helsinki during the summers of 2011 and 2012. The ship routes between the city of Helsinki and the cities of Tallinn, Stockholm and St. Petersburg pass by the measurement site. The exchange of the gaseous NO_x, SO₂, CO₂, O₃, and fine particles across the sea and -atmosphere surface layer was studied by micrometeorological methods. The fluxes of these compounds were measured by the gradient method and the eddy covariance method. In addition, concentration of methane was measured. The major sources of the pollutants were ship emissions, but also trans-boundary emissions as well as emissions from the sea and from the city of Helsinki contributed to the observed concentration levels of the pollutants. The FSC of the ships' marine fuel was determined from the measured concentrations of SO₂ and CO₂ (Cooper et al., 2005) to determine the compliance of the fuel used with the regulation. The ships passing the measurement site were identified by using AIS data (Jalkanen et al., 2009). This method has been demonstrated for defining the FSC in studies (Alföldy et al., 2013; Moldanova et al., 2013; Pirjola et al., 2014). Since recently, it has already been used as an indicator method for purposes of routine control by the authorities in some countries (Mellquist, 2018). The uncertainty of the flux and FSC measurements were estimated based on the performance of the analyzers and measurement probes for meteorological parameters, for FSC the uncertainty of defining the peak areas of emission plumes from the ships was also taken into account.





2 Theoretical background

2.1 Micrometeorological methods

The micrometeorological methods are used for measuring gas exchange across the surface layer (Kaimal and Finnigan, 1994); of these the eddy covariance method (EC) and the gradient method (GR) are commonly used. The eddy covariance method is a direct flux measurement method, while the gradient method is an indirect measurement method. In the eddy covariance method the flux of a gas compound is measured by using fast sensors (response better than 10 Hz) to measure the fluctuation of wind velocities and the concentration of chemical compounds. The gradient method overcomes the problems of fast analysis of chemical compounds. On the other hand, this method requires that the atmospheric conditions are stationary, and it also needs very accurate measurements of the parameters it uses (Businger, 1986), as well as the assumption of constant layer flux (Dyer and Hicks, 1970). In this study both the GR and the EC methods were used. The gradient method was used for the gas compounds (oxides of nitrogen, ozone, sulfur dioxide and carbon dioxide) as well as for nanoparticles. The eddy covariance method was used to measure the flux of carbon dioxide. In the GR method the wind speed should be measured at different heights, usually with conventional cup anemometers, while in the EC method the fluctuation of the 3-dimensional wind speed is measured by a sonic anemometer. Short descriptions of both methods are given below, with more emphasis laid on the gradient method.

$$F_{S} = -K_{S} \frac{\partial s}{\partial z} \tag{1}$$

where F_s is the flux of the scalar quantity s, K_s is the eddy diffusivity of s; s means here the gas compounds and particles. The gradient $\partial s/\partial z$ describes the mean concentration of s in the vertical direction z. By definition, the flux is opposite to the gradient, which is positive towards the increasing concentration. The eddy diffusivity for a chemical compound c is calculated by applying an assumption $K_c = K_h$, i.e. the eddy diffusivity of gas concentration is the same as that for heat. The eddy diffusivity for heat transfer can be expressed as:

$$K_h = k \cdot u_* \cdot z/\phi_h \tag{2}$$

where ϕ_h is the dimensionless temperature gradient. Eq. (1) can now be rewritten with the help of Eq. (2) in the form

$$F_c = -\frac{k u_* z}{\phi_h} \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \tag{3}$$

where k is the von Karman constant (\approx 0.4), u_* is the friction velocity, c is the concentration of the chemical compound, and the dimensionless temperature gradient ϕ_h is defined as

$$\phi_h = \frac{kz}{\theta^*} \frac{\partial \overline{\theta}}{\partial z} \tag{4}$$





Here θ is the potential temperature (Panofsky and Dutton, 1987) and θ^* (= $-\theta'w'/u_*$) is the scaling parameter for temperature. The dimensionless potential function, Eq. (4), can be written in a way similar to the momentum ϕ_m and for the concentration of a chemical species (gases and particulate matter) ϕ_i , respectively. The line above the symbol means the average of the quantity over time. Eq. (3) can be presented in the form

$$Fc = -\frac{ku_*(c(z_2) - c(z_1))}{\left(\ln(\frac{z_2}{z_1}) - \Psi_c(\zeta_2) + \Psi_c(\zeta_1)\right)}$$
(5)

where $\psi_c(\zeta_2)$ and $\psi_c(\zeta_1)$ are the integral functions of Eq. (4) over the stability parameter ζ at heights z_2 and z_I . The dimensionless gradient function Eq. (4) can be represented in the semi-empirical form of Businger and Dyer (Businger et al., 1971; Dyer, 1974), which is used here for the calculations. The stability parameter ζ is related to the Monin-Obukhov (M-O) length, L, according to the relation $\zeta = z/L$, where z is the height from the surface. Eq. (5) is valid in neutral ($\zeta = 0$) and unstable ($\zeta < 1$) conditions, but not in stable conditions ($\zeta >> 1$) (Panofsky and Dutton, 1987).

In Eq. (5) the concentration difference at heights z_2 and z_1 is known from the measurements, but the friction velocity, the integral functions (ψ_c), and the stability parameter are unknown. To solve the turbulence parameters, a method proposed by Paulson (Paulson, 1970) was applied.

On the other hand, the sonic anemometer measures the wind velocity with the help of acoustic pulses that propagate along the path between the sound emitter and the receiver. The three-dimensional wind components, i.e. horizontal (u, v) and vertical (w), are measured based on the changes in the acoustic signals along the fixed path lengths. The momentum flux F_m measured by the sonic anemometer can be calculated from the expression

$$F_m = \rho \overline{u'w'} = \rho u_*^2 \tag{6}$$

where ρ is the air density, u' and w' are the fluctuations of the wind speed components measured by the sonic anemometer, and u_* is the friction velocity. The friction velocity can be calculated from the surface stress according to

$$110 \quad u_* = \left(\overline{u'w'}\right)^{1/2} \tag{7}$$

Once the friction velocity is calculated according to Eq. (7), the Monin-Obukhov length can be calculated:

$$L = \frac{Tu_*^3}{kgw'T} \tag{8}$$

where *T* is the sonic temperature, *T'* is the fluctuation of the ambient temperature, and *g* is the acceleration of gravity. The M-O similarity theory states that the mean and turbulence variables in the surface layer are functions of height near the ground.

In a marine environment the M-O similarity theory has been found to be valid over slowly moving waves, which sufficiently resemble solid ground, but it fails in the presence of swell, i.e. waves that move faster than the wind (e.g. Drennan at al., 1999; Smedman et al., 1999). The effects of swell on the boundary layer are manifold (Högström et al., 2008, 2013, 2015), the most conspicuous being the absence of a vertical velocity gradient above a certain wavelength-dependent height. From the results



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of Kahma et al. (2016) it can be deduced that the absence of wave components that are faster than the wind at 10 height is typically sufficient to ensure that the waves do not invalidate the M-O similarity theory.

Similarly to the momentum flux in Eq. (6) one can express the vertical flux of a gas compound, e.g. CO₂,

$$F_{c} = \overline{w'\rho_{c}'} \tag{9}$$

where ρ'_c is the mass density of CO₂ (mg/m³). The commonly used infra-red analysers measure the number density of CO₂, and to obtain the true mass density the fluxes have to be corrected for water vapour and heat fluctuations. The widely used correction method is the so called WPL method proposed by Webb et al. (1980), which is applied in this study.

2.2 NO-O₃-NO₂ chemistry

The chemical interconversion of the system NO - O_3 - NO_2 is well-known and described in the literature (Seinfeld and Pandis, 2012). In the atmosphere the reaction system NO - O_3 - NO_2 forms a cycle where the reaction forming NO_2 , i.e., the reaction $NO + O_3$ is the reverse of the reaction for dissociating NO_2 to form NO, which takes place in the presence of sunlight (at wavelengths < 420 nm).

The chemical cycle in the NO – O₃ – NO₂ system is fast depending on the concentration of the compounds but also on the available sunlight (day/night time). The time scale (t) for vertical mixing can be estimated from the relation, t = z/u*. With z as 10 m and the friction velocity between 0.1 to 0.5 m/s, the time scale for vertical mixing is 20 to 100 s. This is of the same order of magnitude as the time scale of the NO – O₃ – NO₂ system. Therefore, the assumption of vertical constant flux according to M-O theory is not valid. The approximation $K_h = K_c$ is not correct, and therefore the turbulent exchange coefficient K_c (Eq. (2)) must be modified. This problem has been discussed by several authors (Lenschow and Delany, 1987; Kramm et al., 1991; Vila-Guerau de Arellano et al., 1993; Duyzer et al., 1995). Lenschow and Delany (1987) constructed an analytical formulation for the flux profiles of the NO and NO₂ compounds as a function of height. Duyzer et al (1995) developed a correction procedure for the formula of Lenschow and Delany.

140 2.3 Estimation of the sulfur content in the marine fuel of the ships

The maximum sulfur content in the marine fuel used on the oceans is defined in the Annex VI of the MARPOL agreement (IMO, 2007). The agreement also defines the sea areas where a lower content of sulfur in the marine fuels must be used. These restricted sea areas, called SOx Emission Control Areas (SECA) need to be approved by the countries in the proposed SECA. The Baltic Sea and the North Sea (IMO, 2007) form a SECA area, where the stringent sulfur limit for the marine fuels applies.

In 2012, the EU updated the directive (Directive 1999/32/EU) to include the more stringent demands from MARPOL Annex VI (Directive 2012/33/EU). According to the MARPOL Annex VI the testing of sulfur content shall be in accordance with the ISO standard, which includes a set of key tests, e.g. to identify potential fuel issues where exceedances of emission may occur (ISO 8217:2012). According to ISO 8217 the standard method for the assessment of the sulfur content shall be in accordance



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with the ISO 8754 (ISO 8754:2003). The main issue here is that the sample for the analysis of the sulfur content needs to be taken from the bunker fuel at the harbour, not during the cruise.

A method that can be used to determine the FSC during the cruise is to measure the ratio of ΔSO_2 to ΔCO_2 from the emissions, either from the stack or from the ambient air. The ΔSO_2 and ΔCO_2 are the integrated peak concentrations of SO_2 and CO_2 when the background concentrations are subtracted i.e. $\Delta C = C_{peak} - C_{bg}$. By assuming that all sulfur in the fuel has been oxidized to SO_2 , the FSC can be calculated according to e.g. (10) (Pirjola et al. 2014):

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$$FSC$$
 (%) = $\frac{\frac{\Delta SO_2 (ppb)}{10^3} M_S}{\Delta CO_2 (ppm) \cdot M_{CO2}} \cdot EF_{CO2} \cdot 100 = \frac{\Delta SO_2 (ppb)}{\Delta CO_2 (ppm)} \cdot 0.232$ (10)

where M_S and M_{CO2} are the mole masses of S and CO₂, and EF_{CO2} is the emission factor for CO₂. Here the value of 3.107 kg CO₂ per kg fuel burned was used (Petzold et al., 2008).

Eq. (10) yields lower limits for FSC (Williams et al., 2009) since a small part of the sulfur in the fuel, less than 6 % (Alföldy et al., 2013) or 0.7 % (Moldanova et al., 2013), might be emitted as SO₃ or converted to H₂SO₄ by homogeneous and heterogeneous pathways in the atmosphere.

2.4 Uncertainty estimates

The uncertainty in the measurements is one of the most important issues to solve when analysing the results. The measurements are influenced by a number of error sources that need to be identified and quantified, e.g. the performance characteristics of gas and particle analyzers and the different probes and sensors used for the measurements. Besides the uncertainties associated with the instruments, the EC and GR methods are very sensitive with respect to the topography and the atmospheric conditions. In particular, the stochastic nature of turbulence (Lenschow et al., 1994; Rannik et al., 2006) and the noise present in the measured signals cause random errors (Lenschow and Kristensen, 1985, Rannik et al., 2016), which are difficult to estimate. However, a number of error sources have been identified that have an influence on the results of flux measurement by the EC method (Businger 1986, Rinne et al 2000). The statistical error of an EC estimate is quite large even in a stationary flow. In real-world meteorological conditions stationary situations are not common, and this dataset was not sufficiently large to provide a usable subset of such situations. Calculations showed that the uncertainty caused by the non-stationarity was in most cases considerably larger than the statistical error of a stationary sample.

Since the error sources that contribute to the uncertainty of the results cannot be completely corrected, there is always a residual component that needs to be included in the uncertainty budget. The residuals are estimated according to the best knowledge available. The variance of the standard uncertainty can be expressed in the form (JCGM, 2008)

$$u_{y}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{\delta f}{\delta w_{i}}\right)^{2} u_{i}^{2} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} \frac{\delta f}{\delta w_{i}} \frac{\delta f}{\delta w_{j}} u_{i} u_{j} \rho_{ij},$$
(11)

where the square root of u_c^2 is the combined standard uncertainty. It includes all the uncertainty components u_i (standard uncertainties) of the function f describing the measurement quantity in question for each of the parameters w_i associated with



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the results of the measurements. The covariance term (the second term on the right-hand side) in Eq. (11) needs to be taken into account when it is about the same order of magnitude as the independent part in Eq. (11). Once the combined standard uncertainty has been determined, the expanded uncertainty U can be calculated according to $U = k \cdot u_c$. Here a factor of k = 2 was used representing the 95 % confidence level of a normal distribution. In the case of the gradient method the uncertainty sources contributing to the fluxes associated with the method can be expressed by applying Eq. (2) to Eq. (11). For simplicity the covariance terms in Eq. (11) have been ignored since they are of the second order of magnitude. The combined standard uncertainty of the flux of a compound c can then be approximated in the form:

$$\frac{u_c(F_c)^2}{F_c^2} = \frac{u(u_*)^2}{u_*^2} + \frac{u(\Psi_h)^2}{\left(\ln\left(\frac{z_2}{z_1}\right) - \Delta\Psi_h\right)^2} + \frac{u(\Delta c)^2}{\Delta c^2} + \frac{u(z)^2}{\left(\ln\left(\frac{z_2}{z_1}\right) - \Delta\Psi_h\right)^2} \left(\frac{1}{z_1^2} + \frac{1}{z_2^2}\right) \tag{12}$$

The standard uncertainties are calculated according to Eq. (11) for each of the contributors in Eq. (12): the friction velocity, the integral functions of the Businger-Dyer functions, the concentrations of gases and particles, as well as the measurement heights. The estimated relative uncertainties for each of the contributing sources of uncertainty are presented in Supplementary Table S1.

The combined standard uncertainty of the fuel sulfur content u_c (FSC) is estimated by applying Eq. (10) to Eq. (11), and it can be expressed in the form:

$$\left(\frac{u_{c}(FSC)}{FSC}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{u(SO_{2})}{\Delta SO_{2}}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{u(SO_{2,bg})}{\Delta SO_{2,bg}}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{u(CO_{2})}{\Delta CO_{2}^{2}}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{u(CO_{2,bg})}{\Delta CO_{2,bg}^{2}}\right)^{2}, \tag{13}$$

where $u(SO_2)$ and $u(CO_2)$ are the standard uncertainties of the measured SO_2 and CO_2 concentrations at the peak area concentration, while $u(SO_{2,bg})$ and $u(CO_{2,bg})$ are the standard uncertainties of the background concentrations.

3 Measurements and data analysis

3.1 The measurement site and the meteorological parameters

The first measurement campaign at Harmaja ($60^{\circ}06^{'}18.166^{''}N$, $24^{\circ}58^{'}28.808^{''}E$) started on July 13 after installation of the measurement instruments, and it ended on October 12, 2011. The second campaign started on July 7 and ended on August 20, 2012. The isle of Harmaja is a pilot station located in the Gulf of Finland, about four kilometres from the city of Helsinki in Finland. The ship routes both from Tallinn to Helsinki and from Stockholm to Helsinki pass by the isle of Harmaja at distances of 1 km and 100 - 200 m, respectively, as shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 1 also shows the modelled NOx emissions.

The measurement station (Fig. 2) was set up in an old military fire control tower made of steel and concrete. All the measurement instruments were installed inside the tower, while measurement probes and sampling inlets were installed at different heights in a mast beside the tower. The height of the mast was 9 m, and it was standing on a breakwater 3.5 m above mean sea level (MSL). The measurement probes were installed at different heights to get an extensive view of the meteorological quantities. Cup anemometers by Vaisala (WAA 15 cup anemometers, Vaisala, Finland) measured the wind



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speed while the turbulence parameters were measured by an ultrasonic anemometer by METEK (Ultrasonic Wind Sensor uSonic-3 Scientific, METEK GmbH, Germany). Pt-100 sensors measured the ambient temperature. The cup anemometers were installed at three different heights, 12.2 m, 10.9 m, and 9.9 m above MSL. The sonic anemometer was installed at the top of the mast at a height of 12.9 m, and the temperature probes were installed at heights of 12.3 m, 11.0 m, and 10.0 m. The sampling intakes for the gaseous compounds were installed at two different heights, 12.58 m and 9.98 m. The inlets (stainless steel) for particle measurements were installed at 8.0 m and 10.0 m. Next to this mast the official weather mast of the FMI (Fig. 2) was standing, equipped with a cup anemometer (WAA 15 wind vane, Vaisala, Finland) and a wind direction vane by Vaisala (WAV-15) at a height of 16.6 m. The current sea level was measured as a 30 min average with reference to MSL. The measurement heights of the probes used in the calculations are from the current sea level.

3.2 Instrumentation

The atmospheric concentrations of ozone, oxides of nitrogen and sulfur dioxide were measured simultaneously by conventional gas analyzers intended for ambient air quality measurement. Two identical analyzers of each gas were used to detect the concentration at the two measurement heights (12.58 m and 9.98 m). The sampling tubes at each altitude were made equal in length. PTFE (Polytetrafluoroethene) was used as tube material, since it is an inert material for each of the gaseous pollutants. The measurement method for ozone was the UV-photometric method (EN 14625:2012), and it was performed with APOA-360 analyzers by Horiba, Japan. For nitrogen oxides (NO_x) the chemiluminescence method was used (EN-14211:2012) and the measurements were performed with the AC31M analyzer by Environnement S.A., France. The AC31M analyzer was constructed as a two-channel instrument that measures the concentration of NO and NO2 simultaneously. For sulfur dioxide the UV-fluorescence method (EN-14212:2012) was used and measured with a TEI 43 CTL analyzer by Thermo Environment. LI-7000 by Licor was used for the EC method to measure the concentration of CO₂ and H₂O. Picarro G2301 by Picarro Inc measured the concentration of CO₂, CH₄ and H₂O. Results of the LI-7000 and the Picarro G2301 were also used for calculating the CO₂ flux with the GR method. The water content of the air has an effect on the measurements of gaseous compounds like CO₂ using the absorption of infrared light (IR) at specific wavelengths. To avoid the interference from water vapor on the CO₂ analyzers the results obtained by the EC were corrected as proposed by Webb (Webb et al., 1980). In the case of the GR method, this correction was not applied since it is the same for both heights, and does not change the concentration difference between the two heights.

Particle number concentration and size distribution were measured by two ELPIs (Electrical Low Pressure Impactor, Dekati Ltd.) (Keskinen et al., 1992); ELPI1 measured at 10.0 m and ELPI2 at 8.0 m height. The measurement principle of both ELPIs was the same: particles were first charged and then classified into 12 stages according to their aerodynamic diameter, in the size range of 7 nm–10 μm. Both ELPIs were equipped with a filter stage (Marjamäki et al., 2002), and ELPI1 additionally with an extra stage designed to enhance the particle size resolution for nanoparticles (Yli-Ojanperä et al., 2010). The cut-off diameters were 0.016 (additional stage, only in ELPI1), 0.030, 0.056, 0.093, 0.156, 0.264, 0.385, 0.617, 0.954, 1.610, 2.410,



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4.04 (only in ELPI2) and 9.97 μ m. The mass concentration of particles smaller than 1 μ m (PM₁) was calculated by assuming the particles to be spheres with a density of 1000 kg/m³.

The strategy for the air quality measurements in 2012 was different, and it included measuring concentrations of NO, SO₂, CO₂, O₃, and particles at one height, and CO₂ fluxes by the EC method. The NO_x analyzer was a modified version of a single channel analyzer, Thermo 42 CTL by Thermo Environment. The modification was made by bypassing the NO₂ converter and the solenoid valve, increasing the flow rate by choosing an orifice which allowed a flow rate of up to 2 l/min, and by using the shortest integration time. The purpose of the modification was to make the analyzer faster for detecting the emission peaks of the ships, but for the NO gas only. The SO₂ analyzer was also a modified version from TEI 43 CTL by Thermo Environment. The purpose of modification was the same as in case of NO_x analyzer: to make it faster for detecting ship emissions. The O₃ and CO₂ analyzers and the particle analyser (ELPI1) were the same as in the 2011 campaign.

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The temperature probes (Pt-100) were calibrated at the FMI in the calibration laboratory for meteorological quantities. The wind speed anemometers were serviced (cleaned and the ball bearings changed) in the same laboratory. The gas analyzers were calibrated in the reference calibration laboratory at the FMI before and after the field campaign. The calibration laboratory is responsible for the tasks of the national reference laboratory on air quality, and it conducts the calibrations of the air quality analyzers and calibration facilities in Finland. The laboratory maintains the traceability of the calibration to the SI units, and it is accredited according to ISO 17025:2005 for all measured gas compounds except CO₂. The dynamic dilution method by accurate gas sources was used for the calibration (Haerri et al. 2017). The calibration concentrations were selected to cover the expected measurement ranges for each of the gas components.

Besides the SO₂ molecules also other gas compounds such as nitrogen oxide and nitrogen dioxide can be excited by the same wavelength as SO₂ giving a response to the SO₂-analyzer. The influence of NO and NO₂ compounds on the response of the SO₂-analyzer was tested in the laboratory. Known concentrations of NO and NO₂ gases were injected into the SO₂-analyzer to define the response function for both NO and NO₂. The results of the SO₂-analyzer were then corrected accordingly.

Analyzers were also calibrated at the measurement site during the campaign using a field calibration unit similar to that in the laboratory. Both ELPIs were factory calibrated and serviced. Zero setting and HEPA filtration tests were performed before and after each measurement period. Based on the parallel measurements of the ELPIs on 30.8.2011 and 2.9. 2011 correction factors were inferred for ELPI2, separately for each stage (see Supplementary material). This ensures that the results are correct within the stated uncertainty and are comparable with the other similar measurements.

3.4 Data acquisition systems and data analysis

The data acquisition systems consisted of several components. The meteorological measurements were collected and stored by a Milos 500 system (by Vaisala). The ambient air quality gas analyzers were connected to a data collection system EnviDas



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2000 (by Envimetria, Israel), the sonic anemometer and the LI-7000 were connected to a fast data acquisition system; Picarro G2301 used the system provided by the manufacturer, and the ELPI software was used for the collection of particle data.

The times, in EET (+2 UTC), of the different data acquisition systems were synchronized during each calibration and maintenance event. The final adjustment of all data sets at each of the altitudes was made manually from the time series so that the obvious peaks coincided. Data collection for the EC method was performed at 1 Hz time resolution. In the case of the GR method, data was collected as 15 second and one minute averages, while the total number concentration of particles in the size range of 7-1000 nm (N_{tot}) and PM_1 were collected at 10 second intervals. The meteorological data from the official weather mast were collected as 10 min averages. A consistent data set was formed as 30 min averages from the synchronized individual data acquisition systems.

The first target for the data analysis was to achieve accurate and good quality continuous time series for the gaseous compounds and particles at each of the measuring heights. Secondly, the turbulence parameters (M-O length, stability parameter, friction velocity) were needed for calculating the transfer coefficients K_m and K_c , the dimensionless gradient, and their integral functions for heat and momentum, and for calculating the fluxes of the chemical compounds and fine particles. The friction velocity and the M-O length, which were calculated from the data obtained by the sonic anemometer, were used as input parameters for the GR method. The benefit of this was to reach better agreement with the flux parameters.

3.5 Measurements on R/V Aranda

In 2012 measurements were also made on the Finnish research vessel Aranda during two days. The ship was kept stationary at a point approximately 2 km SSW from the measuring mast at Harmaja, with no islands between Harmaja and the ship. The bow of the ship was equipped with a sonic (Metek USA-1), an open path LI-7500 and an enclosed path LI-7200 at two heights (10 and 16 m) for the measurement of the CO₂, H₂O, momentum and heat fluxes. During the measurements the ship's bow was kept within +/- 20 degrees into the wind direction. The sonic measurements were corrected for ship motions with a motion sensor MRU6, according to Drennan et al. (1994). In this study the measurements from the sonic and enclosed path LI-7200 at the height of 16 m were used, and the calculated fluxes were corrected for water vapour fluctuations according to Webb et al. (1980). The partial pressure of CO₂ in the surface water at a depth of 4 m obtained from the ship's flow-through system was measured continuously with an equilibrator and a LI-6262. The measurements were transformed to *in situ* water temperature according to Takahashi et al. (1993). All the LI-CORs were calibrated against 0, 364, and 700 ppm CO₂ gases.

4 Results

4.1 General overview

Environmental factors, e.g. the fire control tower, caused challenges with regard to the measurement signals. Though the measurement probes were installed at different heights above the top of the tower the measurement signals were affected by disturbances in the flow field. Therefore a computational fluid dynamic (CFD) program OpenFOAM (version 7) by the



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OpenFOAM Foundation (OpenFOAM, 2020) was used to determine the amount of distortion and the required correction. OpenFOAM is a C++ based open source software developed mostly, but not exclusively, for CFD. The airflow around the shoreline and the measuring structure was modelled using steady, incompressible, single-phase potential flow. The simulation covered a volume 80 m long, 40 m wide and 30 m high around the measurement area.

Fig. 3a illustrates the calculated wind field isopleths at a wind speed of 9 m/s over the open sea area, and it shows how the flow field is disturbed around the measurement mast. Based on this calculation we determined for each measurement height the corresponding height over the open sea. The heights at the measurement masts for wind speed measurements were reduced from 16.63 m, 12.88 m, 12.18 m, 10.88 m and 9.88 m, to 15.5 m, 11,1 m, 10.2 m, 8.6 m and 7.2 m, respectively. Similarly, the heights of the sample intakes were reduced from 12.88 m, 12.58 m, 10 m, 9.88 m and 8 m down to 11,1 m, 10.7 m, 7.38 m, 7.2 m and 4.7 m, respectively. The correction for the wind speed was calculated from different simulations varying the wind speed and comparing the calculated results at the measurement mast with the open sea area. These calculations show that a linear relationship for the wind distortion at the measurement mast as compared with the open sea area was good enough to correct the observed wind speed measurement at all heights. The recalculated wind speed profiles (six profiles, cases 1 to 6) at each of the corrected measurement heights are presented as averages over short periods (2 to 3 hours) in the wind sector to the open sea, i.e. 180° ≤ WDIR ≤330°. The data were roughly classified into three categories: code 1, the M-O theory is valid (no swell), code 2, the M-O theory is most probably valid (moderate swell), and code 3, the M-O theory is not valid (dominant swell). In Fig. 3b the wind speed profiles (cases 1 to 6) are presented in situations where the M-O theory is valid (code 1) and where the M-O theory is not valid (code 3). In Fig. 3c the ambient air temperature profiles are calculated from the same situations as the wind profiles. In Fig. 3d the wind rose at the height of 15.5 m shows the patterns of prevailing wind sectors with wind speed ranges.

As an example, Fig. 4a-b depicts the time series of 1-minute-averaged concentrations of the measured gas compounds at 10 m altitude during the first campaign. The sharp peaks in the concentrations of nitrogen monoxide are very striking. In a detailed examination the duration of the emission peaks from the ships were of the order of a few minutes. Where there was a peak in the NO concentration, a negative peak was also detected in the ozone concentration due to the fast reaction producing NO₂. This was observed within seconds after the emission from the ship into the atmosphere. The changes in the concentrations of NO, NO₂ and O₃ were equal, i.e. the change in the concentration of NO took place according to the stoichiometric balance.

The concentration of sulfur dioxide was very low, but clearly distinguishable peaks, with a maximum of 28 ppb, were observed in the data. These peaks originated from the passing ships. The ship peaks were also seen in the CO₂ data, but the short-term variation of the CO₂ concentration might be larger than the contribution from the ship emissions (Fig. 4b). When looking at the particulate concentrations N_{tot} and PM₁ (Fig. 4d), interesting features can be observed. Ship peaks can be clearly distinguished; however, the background levels of N_{tot} and PM₁ were highest on 28 August in the morning when the wind blew from the south, and lowest during the period from noon on 28 August to 10 AM on 30 August, when the wind came from the west over the ocean (Fig. 4c). The 96 h backward trajectory analysis of Flextra by NILU (Stohl et al., 1995) also showed that in the measurement period before the noon of 28 August an airmass carrying anthropogenic pollutants was transported through

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central Europe and arrived in Helsinki (Fig. 5a). The average background particle concentrations stayed rather constant at $\sim 2.7 \times 10^3$ #/cm³, whereas the PM₁ increased from ~ 4 µg/m³ to ~ 11 µg/m³ during 12 hours. This indicates that also larger particles were transported. In fact, this is obvious from Fig. 6, which presents the average number size distribution (Fig. 6a) as well as the volume size distribution (Fig. 6b) of background particles in the evening of 27 August, at noon on 28 August just before the clean air mass arrived, and in the afternoon of 28 August. During the next two days (noon 28.8. to noon 30.8.) the air trajectories came from the west, mostly over the Atlantic and the Baltic Sea, carrying clean air to Helsinki. Although the particle number concentration was higher, 3.6×10^3 #/cm³, due to the larger number of the smallest particles, they did not have an effect on the volume size distribution.

4.2 Concentration roses

Figure 7 presents the maximum values for the concentrations of each gas compound and the particle number within wind sectors of 10° at both measurement heights. These results are in good agreement with the ones based on the sum of the measured concentrations, thus showing the cumulative contribution from different wind sectors at the measurement point (not shown). For NO_x and SO₂, similar patterns were observed indicating the ship routes in sectors 90° to 120°, 150° to 180°, and 270° to 300°. In addition, there is a clear difference in concentrations between the heights: the higher concentrations were mostly at the highest measurement level. In the case of oxygen compounds (= O₃ and O₃+NO₂) and CH₄ the patterns were more evenly distributed. In the case of CO₂ and N_{tot} there is an indication of the ship routes, but also of the influence of the city of Helsinki.

4.3 Fluxes

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The eddy diffusivities K_h and K_m describe the conditions of the turbulent mixing for momentum and heat. The latter describes also the behaviour of the gaseous compounds and particles, as explained in section 2.1. In Fig. 8, the eddy diffusivities K_h and K_m at the measurement level of the sonic anemometer are presented as a function of stability.

From Fig. 8a, b, and d, it is also evident that in this data swell occurs mostly in the far unstable conditions, and only in a few cases in stable conditions, while the situations with no swell occur in this data in near the neutral conditions. The rose figure (Fig. 8c) for wind speed and friction velocity shows a clear dependence on the wind direction. There is clearly a linear relationship between the average wind velocity and the friction velocity in the sectors where the wind arrives over an open sea area, whereas non-linear behaviour is seen towards the northern sector (345° to 45°), where there are more obstacles. The gradient function for momentum also has a significant spread around the Businger - Dyer gradient function in the wind sector from 150° to 270°.

The calculation of the turbulence parameters by the GR method is sensitive to the platform itself, the atmospheric conditions, and the wind profile, which should not be disturbed by obstacles or swell. At the Harmaja site in 2011, the measurement mast was directly supported by the fire control tower (Fig. 2), which caused disturbances in the flow field. Therefore, the CFD program was used to determine the amount of distortion and the required correction. In addition, the results of the sonic anemometer (friction velocity and stability parameter) were used in calculating the fluxes. Before the



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calculation it is necessary to evaluate the measured concentration differences between the measurement heights, with their uncertainty limits. The uncertainty limit was calculated for each type of the analyzers based on its performance characteristic. These were tested either by a testing laboratory (Thermo 43CTL, Environnement AC31M, APOA 360) or during the campaign. In the case of ELPI both instruments were injected with parallel samples to obtain a calibration formula as described in Supplementary Fig. S1. In the case of the CO_2 analyzers both types of instrument, LI-7000 and Picarro G2301, are commonly used in the Global Atmosphere Watch (GAW/WMO) programme, and test results were collected from the specifications requirements of the programme. The uncertainty limits for the gas and particle analyzers are presented in Supplementary Fig. S2. The calculated concentration differences between the measurement heights, and their uncertainty limits, are presented in Supplementary Fig. S3 for each of the gaseous compounds and for nanoparticles. Based on the analysis, the concentration differences for CO_2 and N_{tot} exceeded the uncertainty limit, indicating that the calculated fluxes are acceptable; they are presented in Fig. 9. In Fig. 9a the CO_2 fluxes by the GR and EC methods are presented. The fluxes of CO_2 and N_{tot} by the GR method along with their uncertainties (Eq. 12) in the wind sector between 150° to 270° and with no swell (codes 1 and 2) are presented in Fig. 9b and Fig. 9c, respectively. The fluxes of CO_2 and N_{tot} as a function of wind direction are presented in Fig. 9d.

The CO₂ fluxes calculated by the two methods (GR and EC) are in fairly good agreement (Fig. 9a). For most of the time the CO₂ flux was positive (upward) (Fig. 9b), while the flux of N_{tot} was mostly negative (downward) (Fig. 9c). Generally, positive CO₂ fluxes are common in the winter, and occasionally in the summer after the spring algae bloom, since CO₂ is less soluble in the warming sea water. In the Baltic Sea, however, the blue-green algae bloom extends the biological active season, and the positive fluxes in coastal regions are mainly caused by frequent upwelling events (e.g. Lehmann and Myrberg, 2008, Norman et al. 2013). The CO₂ flux by the EC method and the partial pressure of CO₂ in seawater were measured at the same time as the R/V Aranda measurements in late July 2012; this pin down the upwelling event (Fig. 10). As shown in Fig. 9d, the CO₂ fluxes show only a weak dependence on the wind direction, while in the case of N_{tot} there is a clear dependency, with the largest negative fluxes in the sectors containing ship routes (150-270°). Assuming that the constant flux layer extends to the height of the ships' chimneys, profile measurements of the compounds indicate that the deposition of nanoparticles towards the sea surface is most probably caused by ship emissions. The CO₂ emission peaks from the ships last only minutes, and in this area ships pass roughly once in an hour; it may be estimated that the contribution of the ship emission is of the order of 1% of the observed average flux of CO₂. The weak dependence within the sectors containing ship routes suggests that the direction of the CO₂ flux in a marine environment is mainly controlled by the partial pressure of CO₂ in the seawater.

The uncertainty of the observed fluxes were calculated according to Eq. (12). The uncertainty sources of the measurement results for fluxes by the gradient method are presented in more detail in Supplementary Table S1. Though the wind speed was corrected based on the results of the CFD, there is always a residual that cannot be corrected. The influence of the uncertainty in the wind speed is included as a single component in Table S1. To estimate the uncertainty of the CO₂ flux measurements by the EC method we calculated the reactive difference (F1-F2)/F2 between the flux estimate F1 when the trend in the wind speed was removed and the estimate F2 when this trend was not removed. In a sufficiently long, perfectly stationary sample



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there should be no trend, and the difference should vanish. In most of the samples the difference was significantly larger than the expected statistical variability of the EC estimate of a perfectly stationary sample. Rather than estimating accurately the uncertainty, the standard deviation of the relative difference was chosen as a simple proxy. For the momentum flux it was 30 %, and for the CO2-flux 60 %. This wide uncertainty range is typical in real meteorological situations and explains the scatter of the EC estimates in e.g. Fig. 10. The analysis of the uncertainty follows the guideline provided by the Joint Committee for Guides in Metrology (JCGM, 2008). Based on the analysis, the relative expanded uncertainty for the flux measurements of CO₂ and nanoparticles by micrometeorological method is presented in Table 1 at two meteorological conditions: stationary and not stationary.

410 **4.4 Fuel sulphur content**

The FSC was determined in the measurement campaigns in both 2011 and 2012. The two campaigns differed from each other in the measurement strategies, but also in the data collecting frequency, once a minute in 2011 and every 15 s in 2012. In both cases, the data acquisition system calculated the averages over the data collecting time. It became very clear that the frequency of once a minute was too low in order to see accurate emission peaks in the ship plumes, because the duration of the plume itself was of the order of a few minutes. This was the reason for shortening the response time of the analyzers by increasing the flow rate from the nominal flow and shortening the integration time, which then made it possible to increase the data collecting frequency.

As seen from Supplementary Fig. S4, major factors influencing the accuracy of calculating the emission peak area are the difference of the response time between the SO_2 and CO_2 analyzers, but also the frequency of data collection. The Picarro G2301 CO_2 analyzer is clearly faster than the UV-Fluorescence SO_2 analyzers, which are designed for air quality measurements to meet the requirements of EU regulations. Even when improvements were made to the SO_2 analyzer between the 2011 and 2012 campaigns, the difference in the peak width is clearly seen.

The variation between the 2011 and 2012 campaigns in the calculated FSC from the ships that routinely cruise between Helsinki and Stockholm or Helsinki and Tallinn is used when estimating the uncertainty of the FSC according to Eq. (13). In Fig. 11 the relative expanded uncertainty for the FSC, U_{FSC} (%), is shown as a function of peak height concentration of SO₂. Calculation of U_{FSC} (%) is made for FSC = 0.1 %, 0.5 % and 1 % fulfilling the requirement according to the regulation at the time of the measurements (FSC = 1 %) but also the regulation which came into power in 2014 (Directive, 2012/33/EU). The uncertainty of the FSC increases rapidly, being 100 % at a peak concentration of 3 ppb for a FSC of 0.1 %, and 5 ppb for a FSC of 0.5 %. When more accurate measurements are required, the peak height concentration of SO₂ should be clearly higher than 5 ppb or 10 ppb for the FSC regulation of 0.1 % or 0.5 %, respectively.

No violation against the regulation was observed for the calculated FSC during the campaigns in 2011 and 2012 (Fig. 12). A typical value for FSC 0.4 % was obtained at an uncertainty of 15 % i.e. 0.40 ± 0.06 %. Also the measurements for defining the FSC were in good agreement with the information given by the ship owners.





5 Conclusions

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435 Direct exchange of gaseous compounds and nanoparticles between air and sea interface was studied by micrometeorological methods. The gas compounds SO₂, NO, NO₂, O₃, and CO₂, as well as the number concentration of nanoparticles, N_{tot}, were measured at the small island Harmaja beside the major ship routes to and from the City of Helsinki. The challenges in using the gradient method turned out to be the disturbance of the flow field due to the fire control tower, the swell causing the breakdown of the Monin-Obukhov theory, small concentration difference between the measurement heights, and rapid change 440 of the concentration of the pollutants emitted from the ships. In spite of the difficulties associated with the gradient method it became quite clear that no direct gas exchange across the air-sea interface, negative or positive fluxes occurred, in the case of nitrogen compounds, ozone or sulfur dioxide. However, the case was slightly different in the case of CO₂ where deposition but also emission from the seawater occurred, while for nanoparticles deposition was mostly observed. Parallel flux measurements of CO₂ by the eddy covariance method were also influenced by disturbances at short time frequencies changing 445 the sign of fluxes from positive to negative. However, in spite of the disturbances, the agreement between the two micrometeorological methods for CO₂ was good. During the second campaign in 2012 eddy covariance measurements conducted at Harmaja and on the R/V Aranda agreed very well. The measurements of sea surface pCO2 on R/V Aranda confirmed that situations of upwelling typically cause positive fluxes.

The measurements for determining the FSC were in good agreement with the information given by the ship owners. The measurement method used to determine the FSC content of marine fuel from the ambient air in connection with the identification data from AIS gives a clear demonstration of whether the regulations are respected.

The uncertainty analysis of the flux and FSC measurement results was conducted according to the well-known law of propagation of errors, and following the recipes from the literature (JCGM, 2008). Much effort was expended to build the uncertainty budget for each of the micrometeorological methods as well as for determining the FSC. The uncertainty budget, pointing out the sources of uncertainties and their contribution on the measurement results, may be conservative, and it may be improved depending on the selected measurement technique, capabilities of the analyzers, measurement site and the meteorological situations. In this study, the meteorological situations together with the disturbances of the flow field due to the location of the measurement mast gave the largest contribution to the uncertainty budget for gases and nanoparticles except in the case of SO₂ flux. The concentration of SO₂ was close to the detection limit most of the time causing large uncertainty in the result except when emission from a bypassing ship was measured. The uncertainty values of the FSC for the marine fuels used was acceptable, but challenges arise when these methods are used to determine compliance with the present regulations (Fig. 11).

To improve the accuracy for determining the FSC based on measurements of the ratio of SO₂ to CO₂ from emission peaks of ship plumes, development of an instrumentation that can simultaneously measure SO₂ and CO₂ concentration fast enough and with the same order of response time is highly desirable.

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Table 1. Estimated relative expanded uncertainties for the fluxes of gaseous CO_2 and nanoparticles by the GR method, and for CO_2 by the EC method in meteorological situations of stationary ($U_{Stat.Met.}$) and not stationary ($U_{Prev.Met}$). More details of the uncertainty budget are presented in Supplementary Table S1. The uncertainty values are given at the median flux values.

| Flux | Method | Flux (median) | | U _{Stat.Met.} | UPrev.Met. |
|------------------|--------|---------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| F_{CO2} | EC | -0.0036 | $mg\ m^{\text{-}2}\ s^{\text{-}1}$ | 30.0 % | 60.0 % |
| $F_{CO2} \\$ | GR | -0.0036 | $mg m^{-2} s^{-1}$ | 24.9 % | 36.4 % |
| $F_{Ntot} \\$ | GR | -229.1 | $cm^{-3} m s^{-1}$ | 30.8 % | 40.7 % |





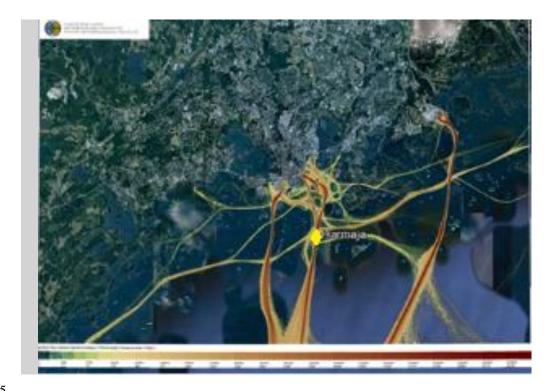


Figure 1. Ship routes to the harbours of Helsinki and NOx emissions. Harmaja Island is marked by the yellow star. Background map was provided by Landsat-8 and US Geological Survey.





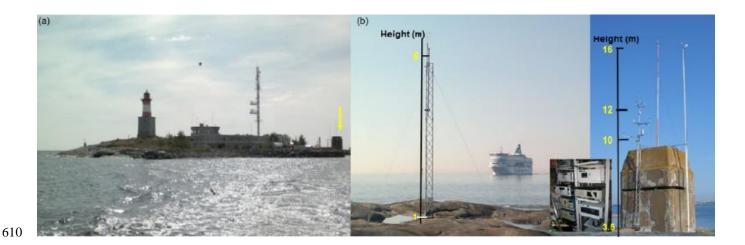
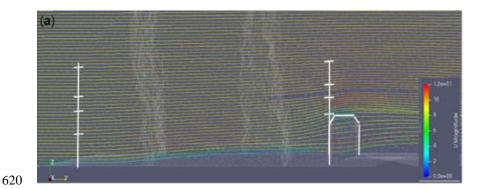


Figure 2. a) Harmaja island. The yellow arrow points to the measurement tower. b) Measurement instrumentation was installed in racks inside the fire control tower. The mast on the right includes all the measurement probes (wind and temperature probes and sample intakes) for the gradient and eddy covariance methods during the 2011 campaign, whereas the mast on the left includes the probes and sample inputs for the eddy covariance method and for measuring gas and particle concentration during the 2012 campaign. Both masts faced the open sea. The masts stood approximately 20 m from the shoreline and 3.5 m above MSL in 2011, and 3 m from the shoreline and 1 m above MSL in 2012. The official weather mast of the FMI is located by the side of the tower (right-side mast, 16.6 m).







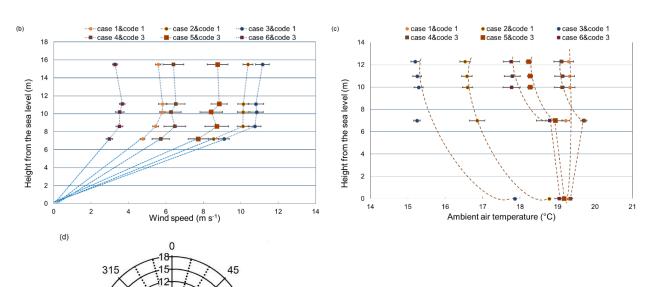


Figure 3. a) The actual measurement heights were reduced to corresponding heights over the open sea surface with a flow dynamics program.

b) Mean wind speed profiles over 2 to 3 hours are presented at different heights in the wind direction sector from 150° to 270°. The dots represent the situations of no swell (code 1), while the squares represent cases of swell (code 3). The error bars show the standard deviation of the wind speed over the average period at the respective heights. c) Hourly mean temperature profiles are presented from the same situations as the wind profiles in Fig. 3b. The error bars show the standard deviation of the temperature over the average period at the respective heights. d) Wind rose of direction (scale as %) and wind speed (m/s) at different ranges at the measurement height of 16.6 m.

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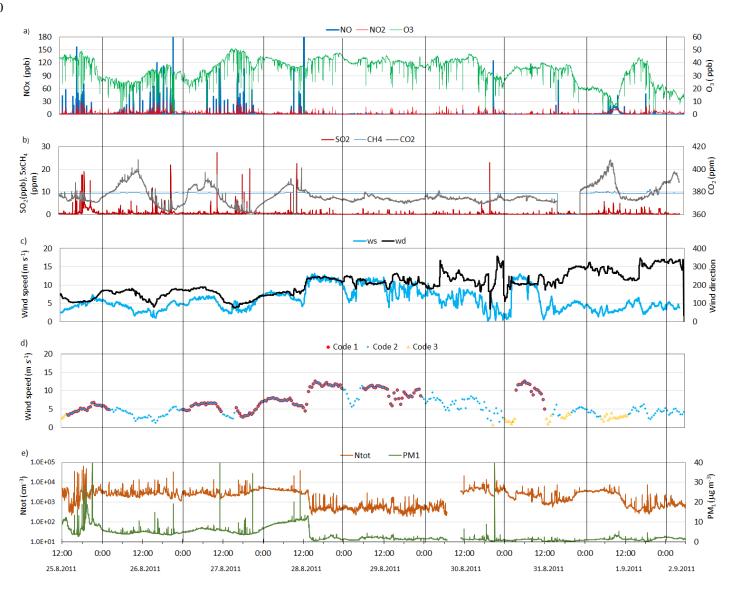


Figure 4. One-minute average concentrations of gaseous (a-b) and particulate (e) matter during 25.8.-2.9.2011. Also shown are the wind speed and wind direction (c), and the wind speed (d) in different situations regarding the M-O theory, i.e. codes 1 to 3. The data in (d) were averaged over 30 minutes.





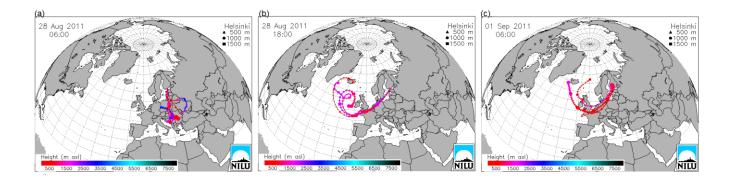


Figure 5. Selected airmass trajectories 28.8. at 6 am (a) and at 6 pm (b), and 1.9. at 6 am (c) during our campaign of 2011. The times are given in UTC, whereas our data sets are given in EET (UTC+2).





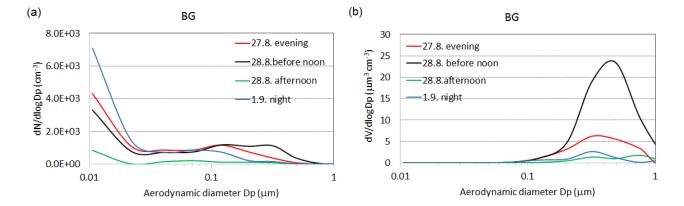


Figure 6. Number (a) and volume (b) size distributions of background particles.





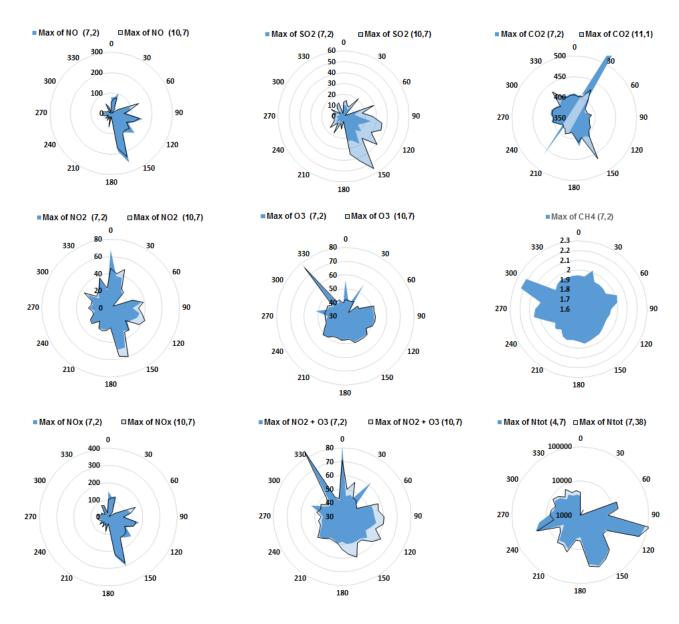


Figure 7. Roses of the maximum gaseous concentrations of nitrogen oxides (NO, NO₂, NO_x) in ppb, oxidants O₃ and NO₂+O₃, as well as SO₂ in ppb, and CH₄ and CO₂ in ppm. Also shown are the roses of particle concentrations N_{tot} in #/cm³. All roses, except for CH₄, were plotted from the two heights; the corrected heights (m) are given in parentheses above the roses.





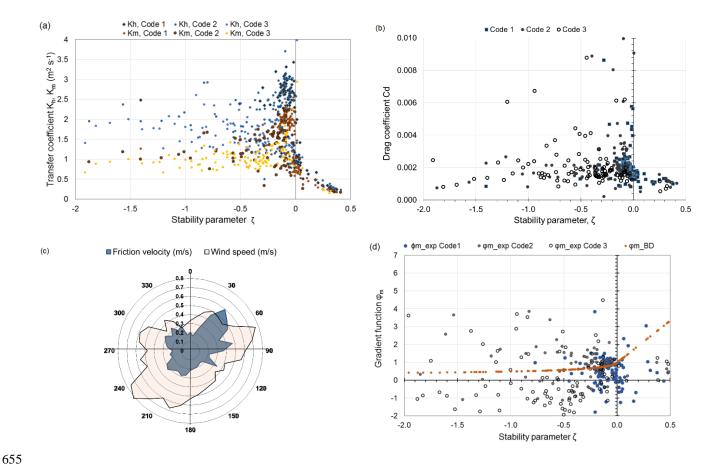


Figure 8. a) The eddy diffusivity coefficients K_h (blue) and K_m (brown) as a function of stability at height 12.28 m and with wave codes 1 to 3. b) The friction velocity by sonic anemometer as a function of the stability parameter at 11.1 m height with codes 1 to 3. c) The rose of friction velocity and wind speed as averages over the wind sector. d) The gradient functions from the experiments (ϕ_m _exp) at the 15.5 m altitude and from the Businger - Dyer formula (ϕ_m _BD) at the wind sector from 150° to 270° and wind speeds $w_s > 3$ m/s for wave codes 1 to 3.





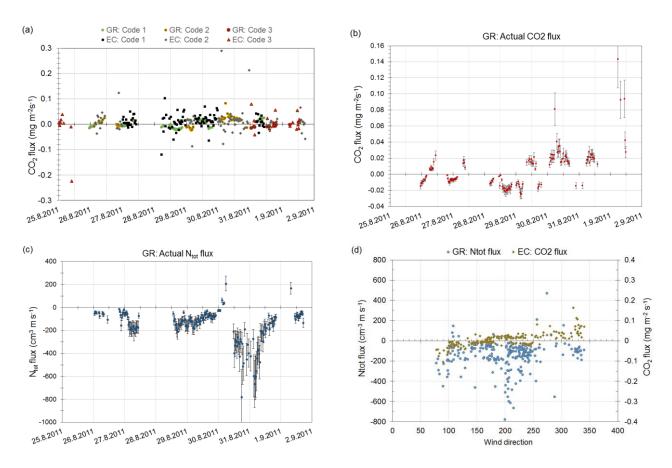


Figure 9. Time series of 30 min fluxes for CO₂ (mg m⁻² s⁻¹) by the GR and EC methods in different wave conditions (codes 1 to 3) (a), for CO₂ (b) and N_{tot} (c) by the GR method with their uncertainties. The data in (b) and (c) include only events in the wind sector between 150° and 270° and with no swell (codes 1 and 2). In (d) the fluxes of CO₂ and N_{tot} are presented as a function of wind direction (codes 1 to 3).





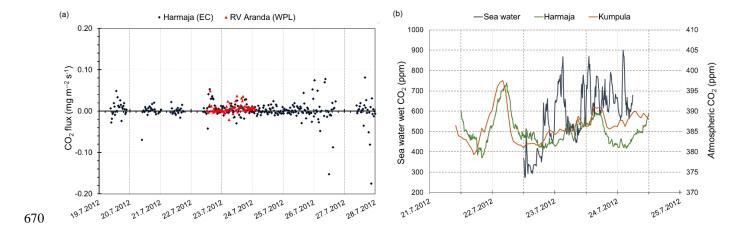


Figure 10. a) Time series of CO₂ fluxes in 2012 at Harmaja and at the R/V Aranda. b) CO₂ concentration in the seawater from R/V Aranda and in the atmosphere at Harmaja and at the urban background monitoring station SMEAR III in Kumpula, Helsinki.



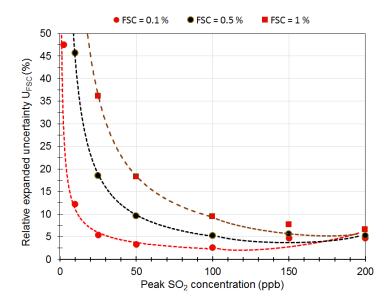


Figure 11. The expanded uncertainty of FSC, U_{FSC} (%), as a function of SO_2 peak height concentration for three FSC limits: 0.1 % (red circle), 0.5 % (black circle) and 1 % (red square).





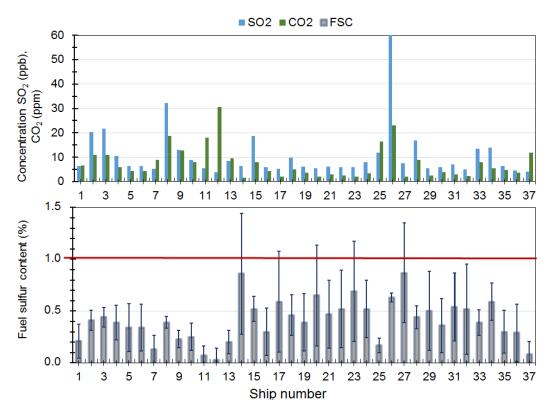


Figure 12. Peak height concentrations of SO_2 and CO_2 from a ship emission plume and calculated FSC with the expanded uncertainty U_{FSC} during a short time period of the 2012 measurements. The red line represents the FSC = 1 % limit following the regulation (Directive 1999/32/EC). All the ships complied with the regulation.