

SUMO profile flights from BLLAST

– Flux estimates under various conditions

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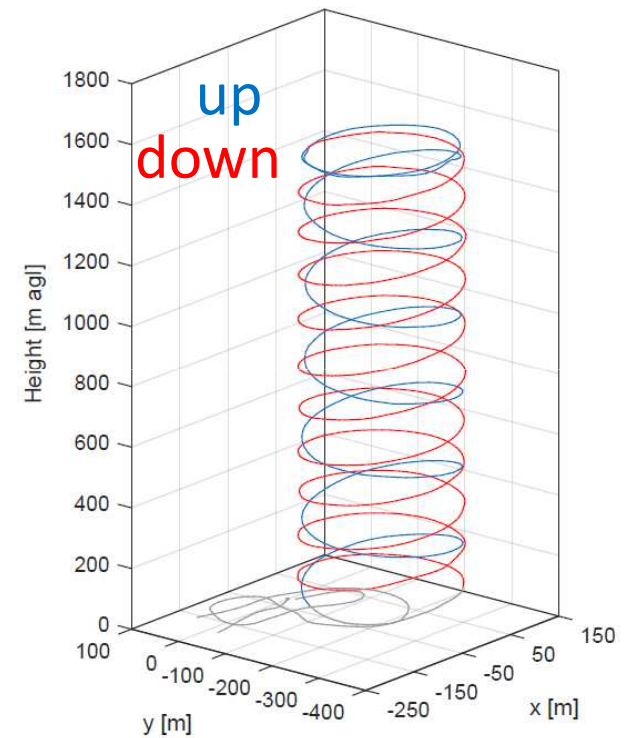
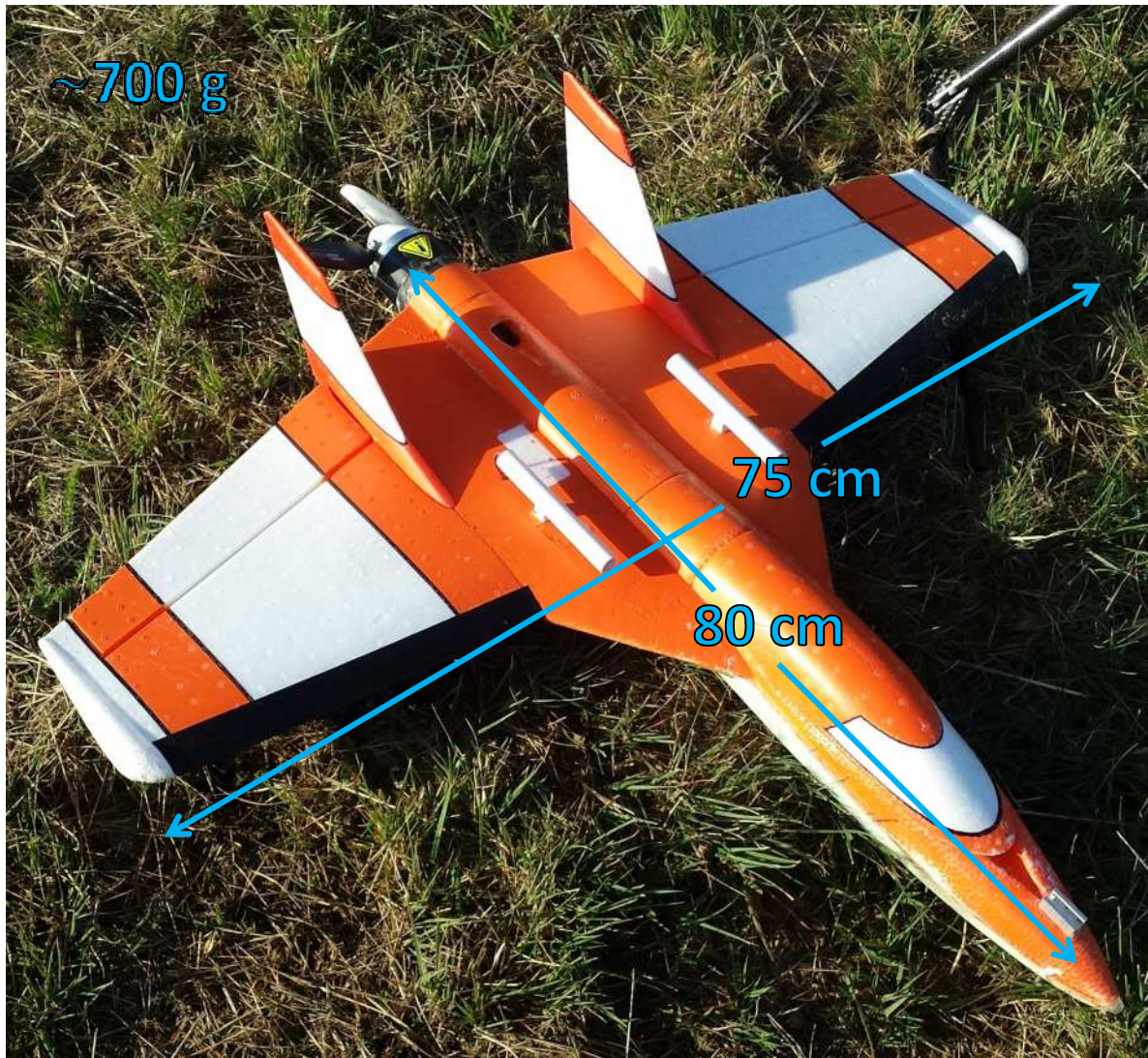
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SUMO - Small Unmanned Meteorological Observer



Flux estimation from RPAS

Vertically-integrated horizontally averaged thermodynamic equation

$$\overline{w'\theta'}(z) = \int_z^{h_{F0}} \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} \right) dz$$

$$SH = c_p \rho \overline{w'\theta'}(z) = \sum_{z/\Delta h}^{h_{F0}/\Delta h} c_p \rho \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t} \Delta h \quad [\text{Wm}^{-2}]$$

$$LH = L \rho \overline{w'q'}(z) = \sum_{z/\Delta h}^{h_{F0}/\Delta h} L \rho \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t} \Delta h \quad [\text{Wm}^{-2}]$$

$\Delta h = 1$ m (vertical grid spacing)

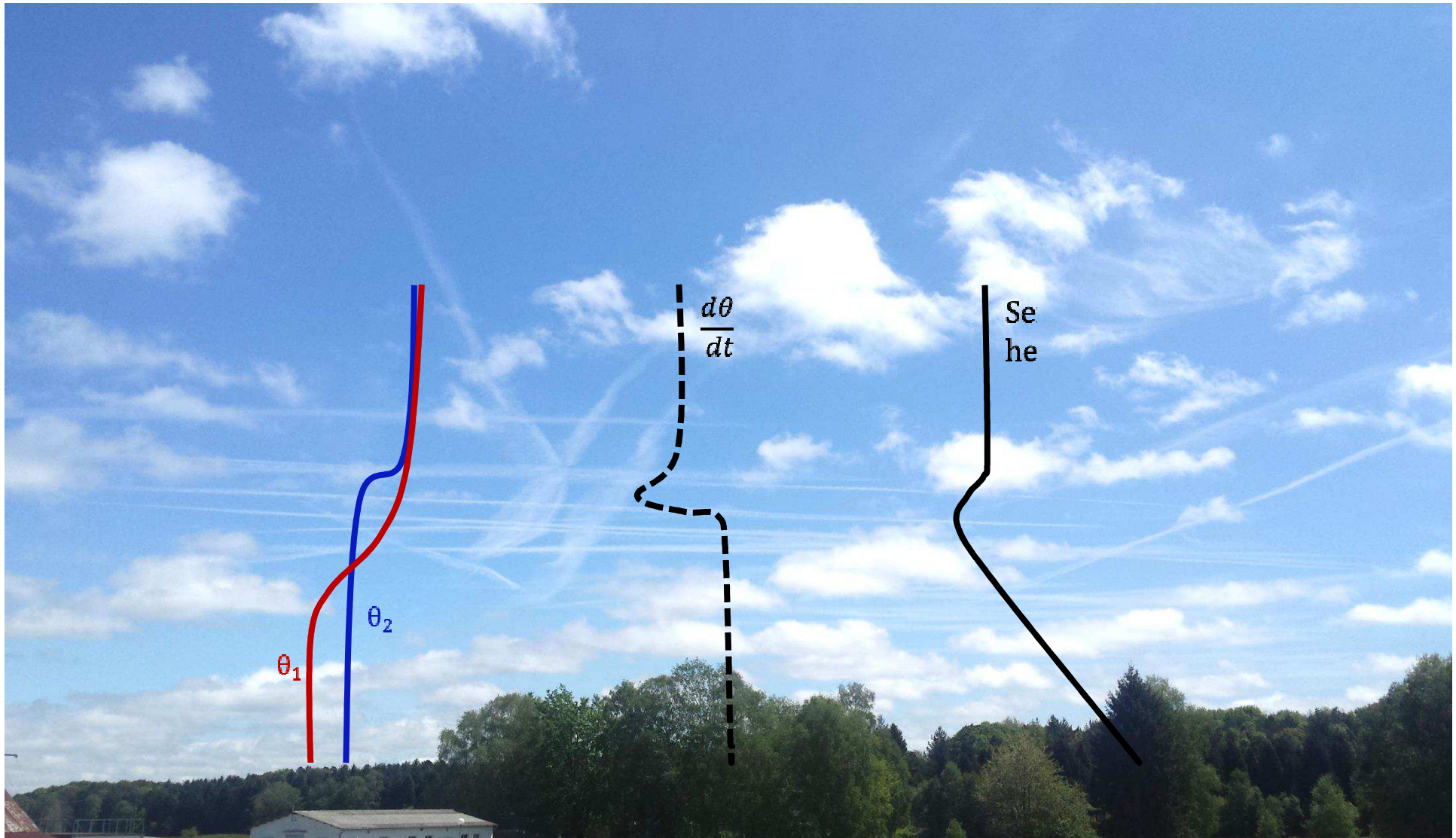
$c_p = 1004$ J $\text{K}^{-1}\text{kg}^{-1}$ (specific heat)

$L = 2.5 \times 10^6$ J kg^{-1} (latent heat of vaporization)

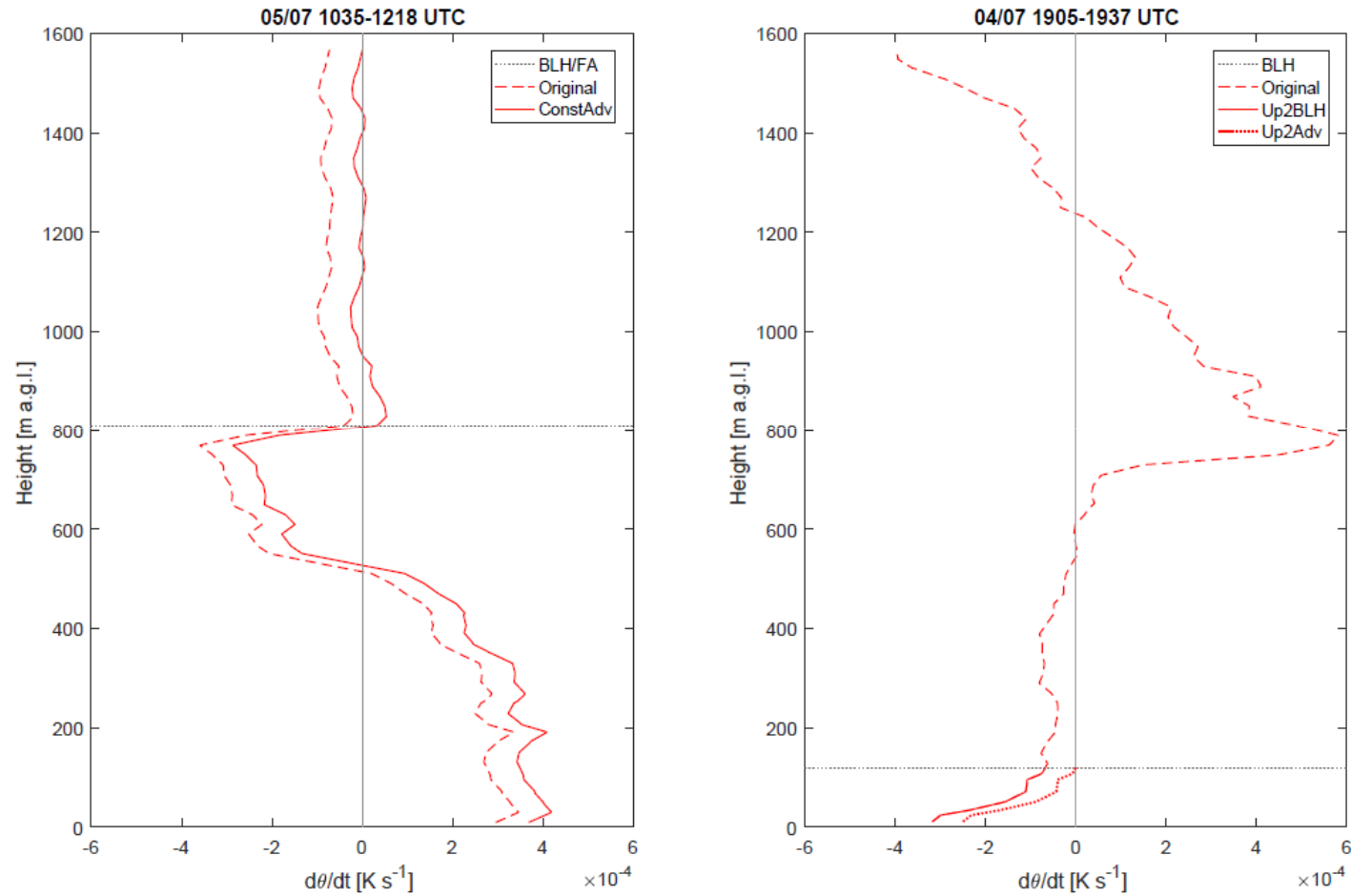
$\rho =$ density calculated from T and p



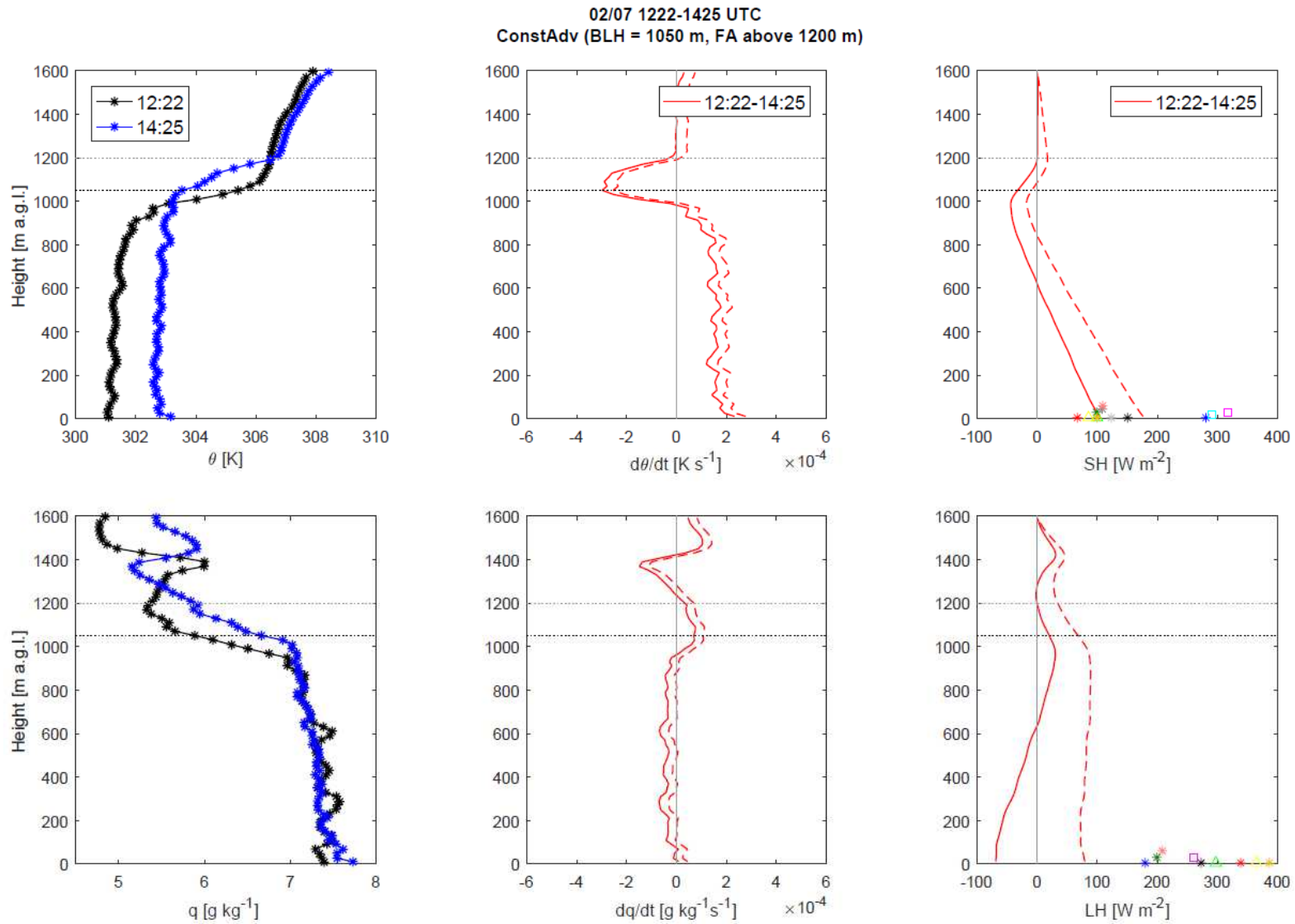
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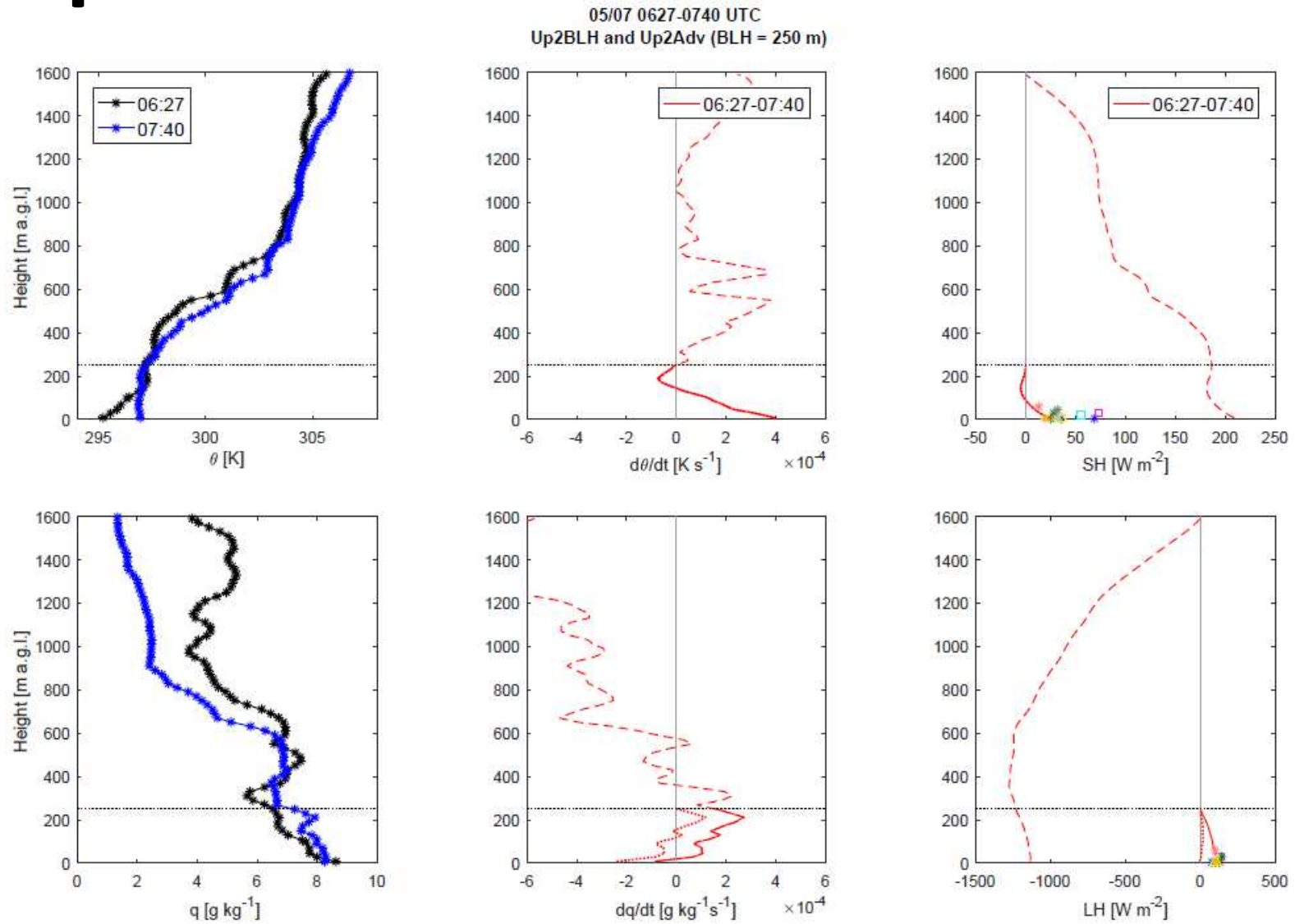
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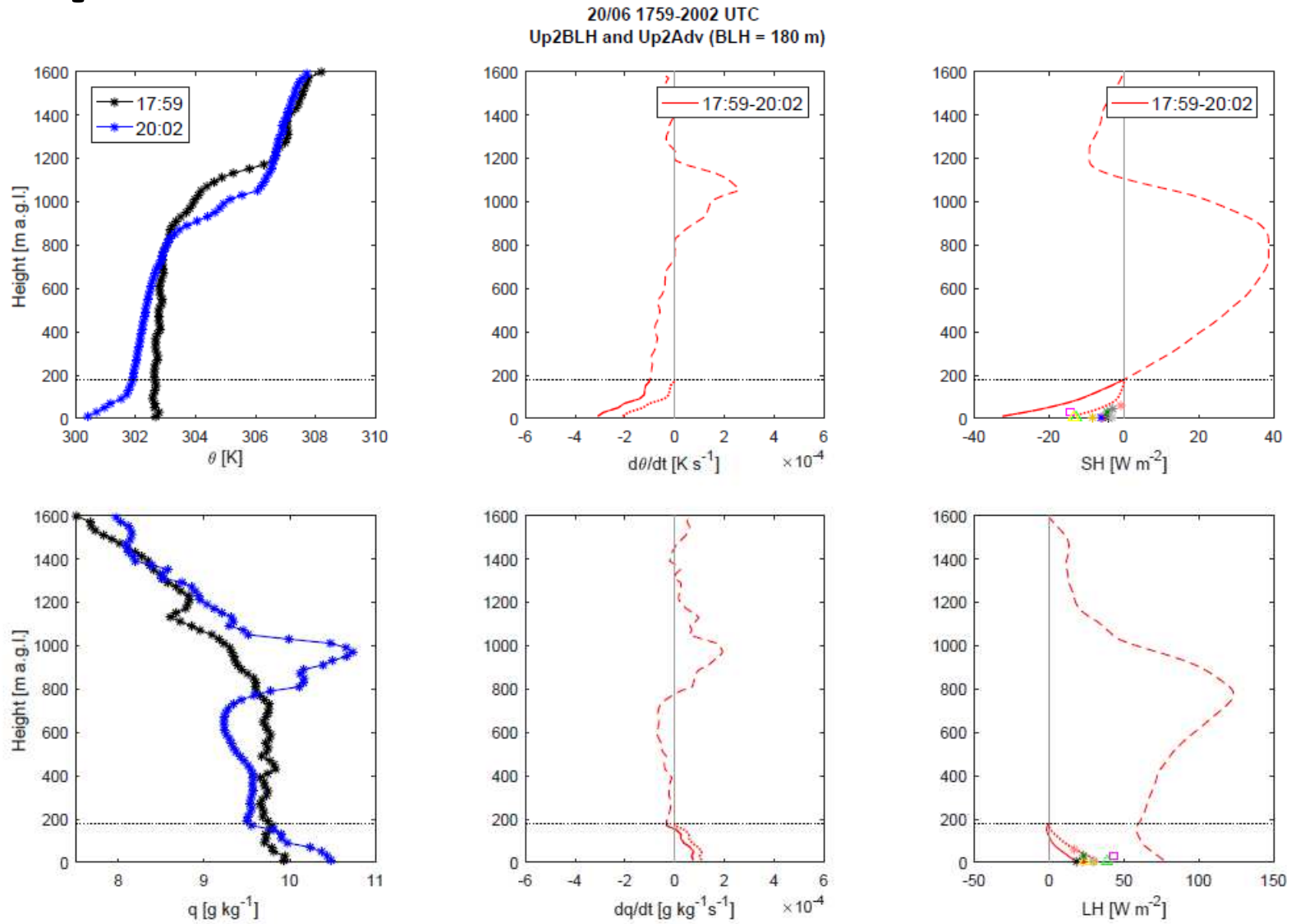
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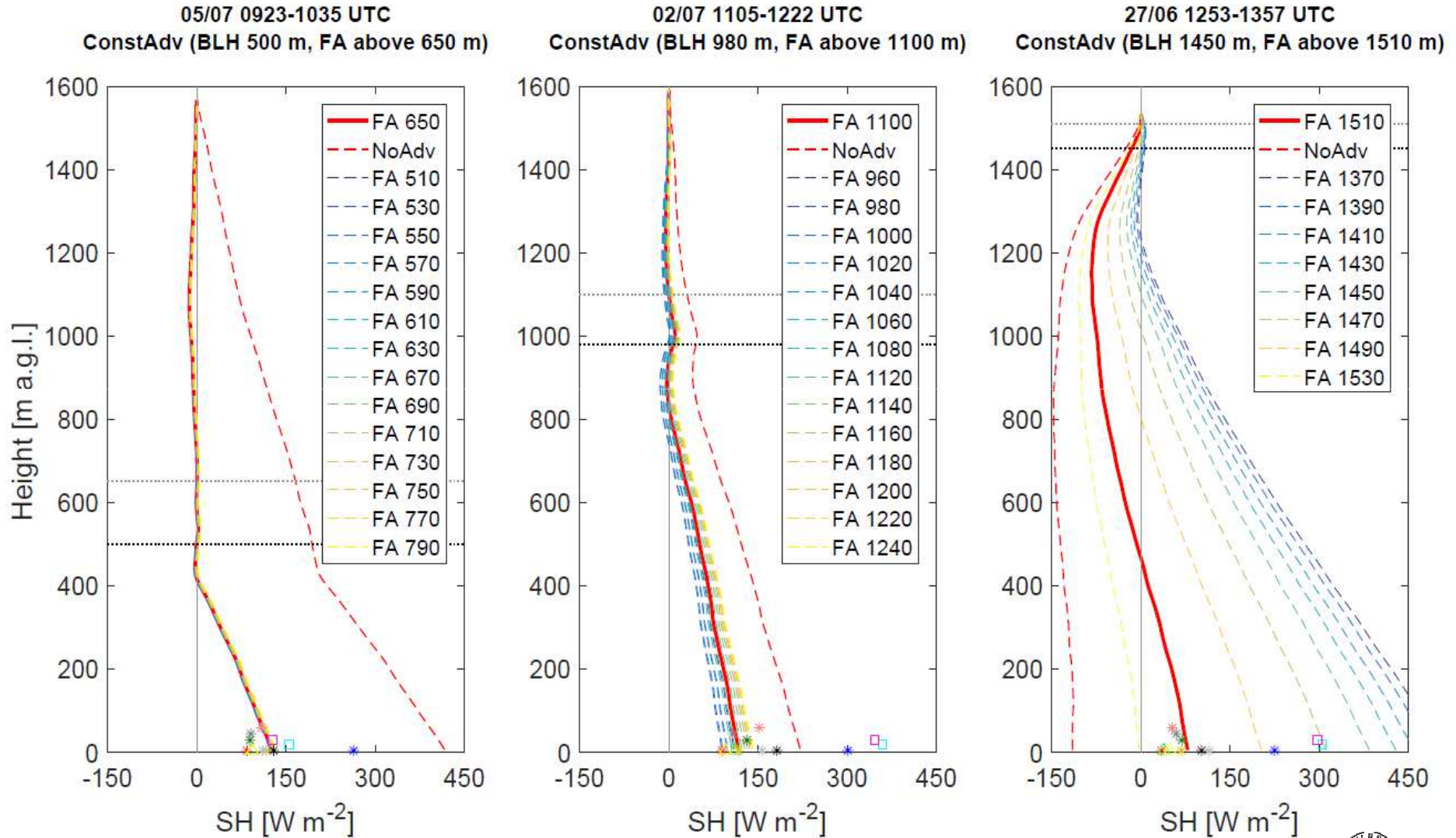
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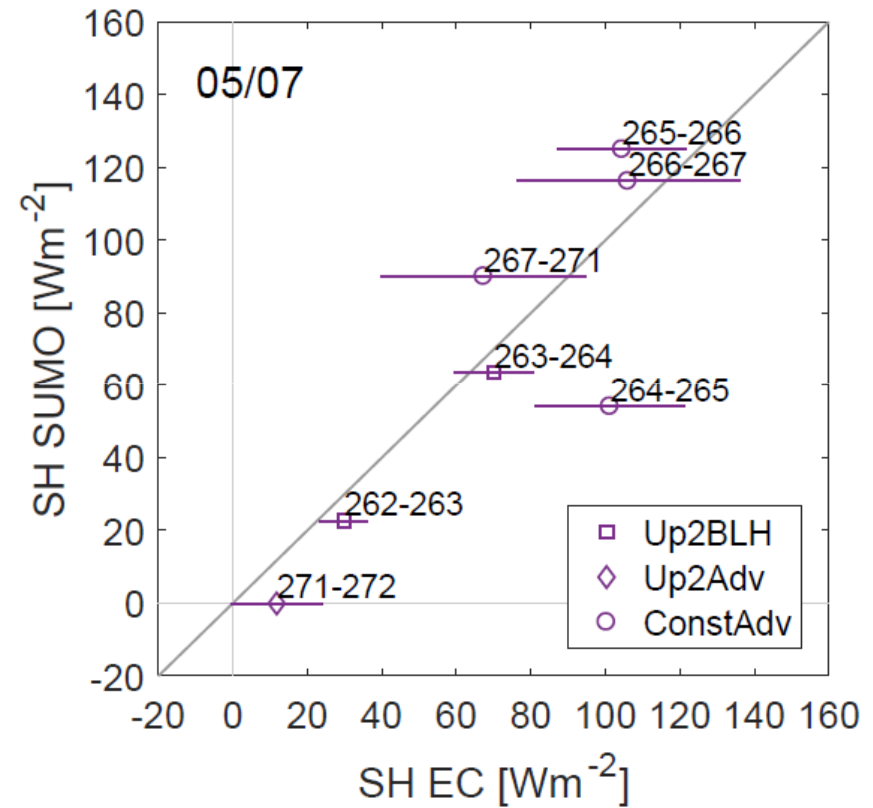
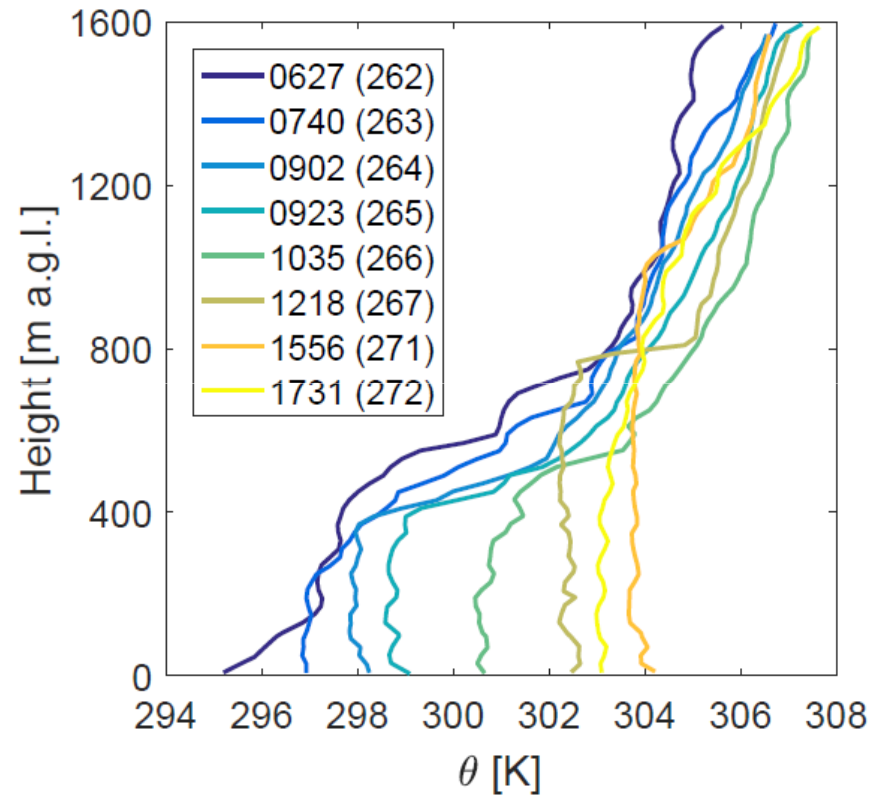
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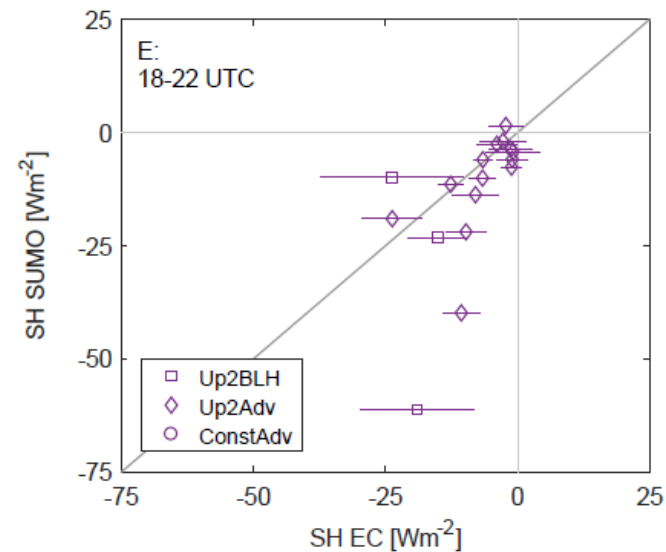
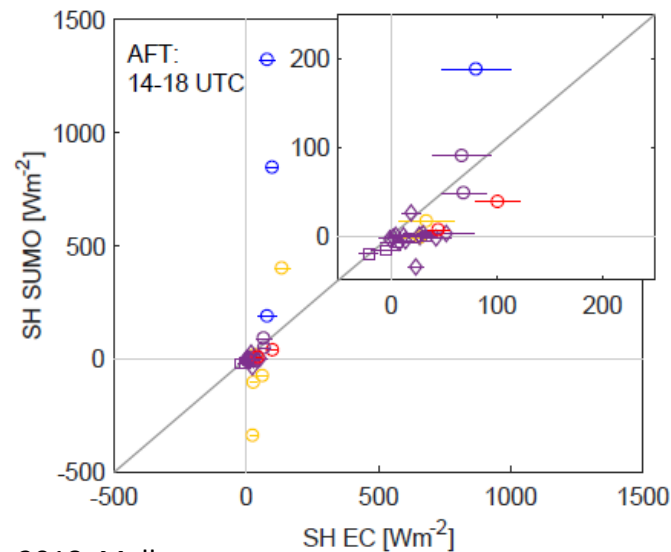
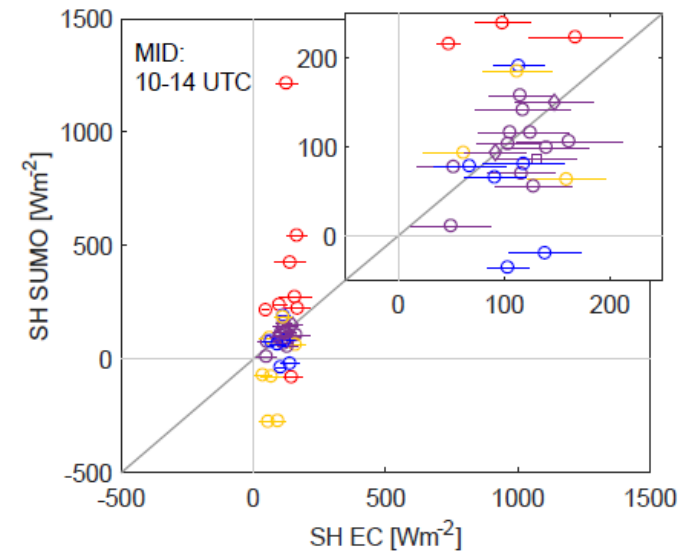
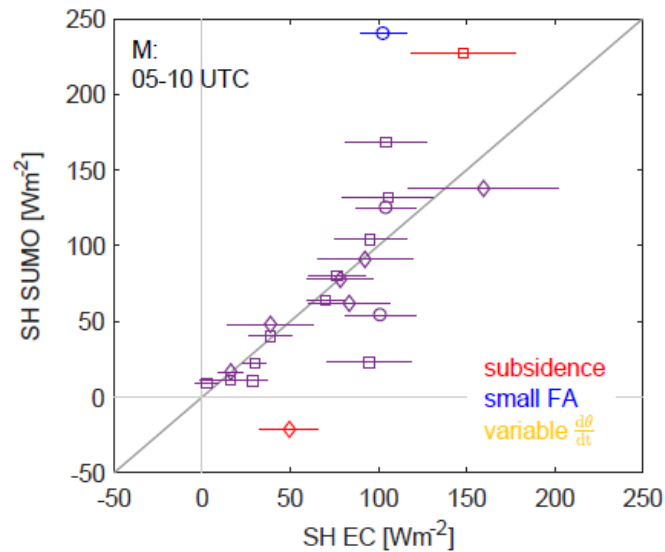
BLH and FA sensitivity



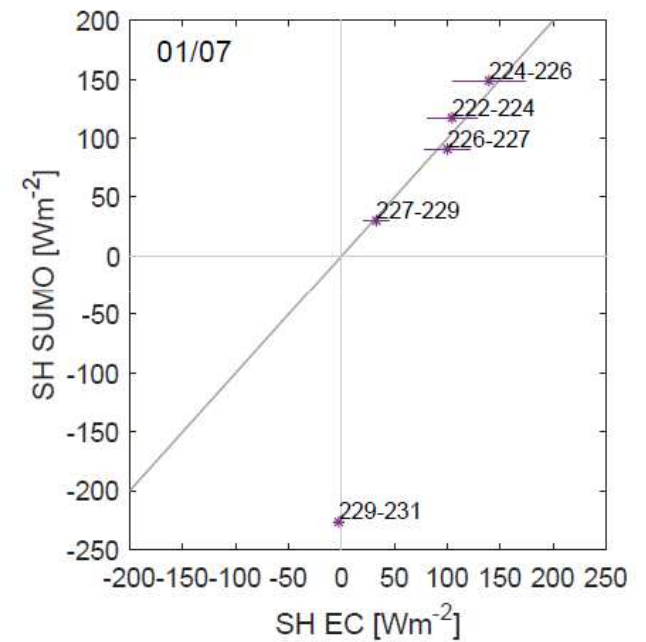
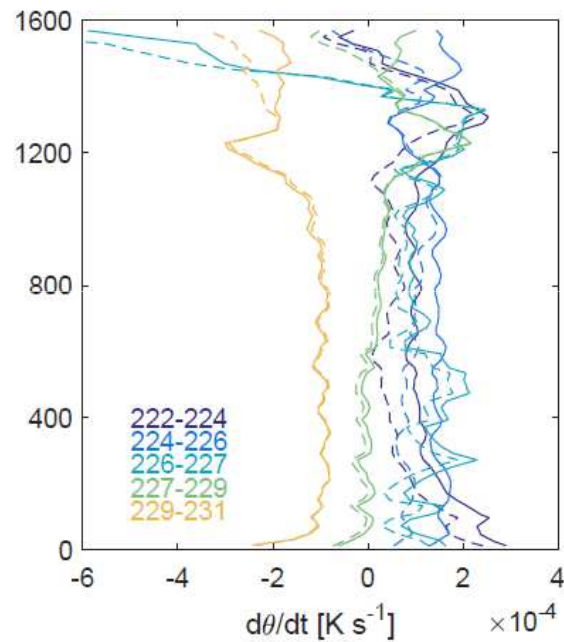
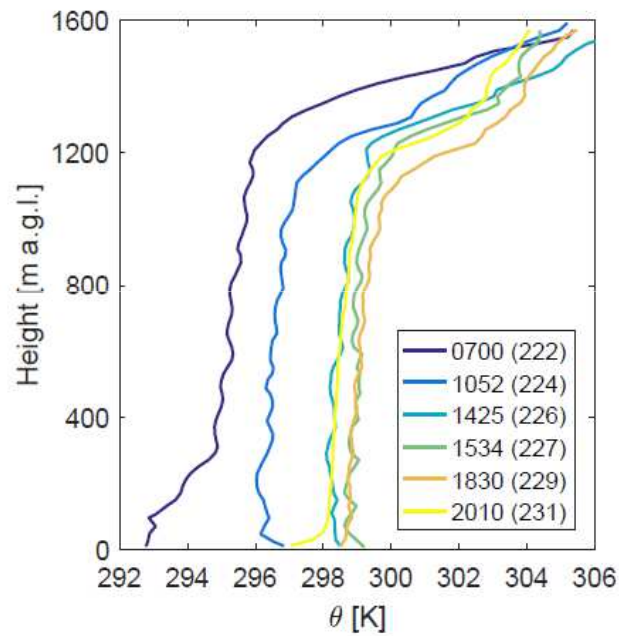
Daily evolution 05/07 (IOP11)



SH statistics – all 105 flux estimates



MesoNH horizontal advection



Conclusions

- SH works better than LH
- ConstAdv for fully developed CBL
- Up2BLH and Up2Adv for developing CBL or SBL (with RL above)
- Can be sensitive to BLH and FA levels

- SUMO flux profiles match EC (tower and surface stations)

- Daily evolution: great fit to EC e.g. IOP3, IOP10 and IOP11*
- All flux estimates: subsidence, variable change and small FA give unrealistic results
- MesoNH model advection: good results for IOP 9*

- Limitations: footprint differences, sensor time constants



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