

Authors' response to 'Reviewer comment for os-2018-108' by E.S. Saltzman

We would like to express our gratitude to E.S. Saltzman for his thorough and helpful review. Our answers are given in the table below.

Reviewer's comment	Authors' response
<p>There seems to be a rather strong bias against eddy covariance in this paper - the only comment about more than a decade of new work in that area is rather dismissive and citation-less. So, a reader new to the field would imagine that eddy covariance is not generating insight into air-sea gas transfer (which I think most would agree is not the case). The fact that eddy covariance data are often binned seems like an odd criticism, especially when the dual tracer method (which requires long averaging) is held up as the "gold standard". The uncertainty in a single DMS eddy covariance measurement under favorable conditions is on the order of 25% and one could easily imagine interesting results from simultaneous eddy covariance and active thermography measurements.</p>	<p>It was in no way our intention to proclaim the dual tracer technique to be the 'gold standard'. To put our measured gas transfer velocities into perspective, we chose to compare them with the Ho. et al. 2011 parameterization. We decided against using more than this one parameterization, since the many available parameterizations for the transfer of CO₂ for both the dual tracer technique and the eddy covariance technique are very similar in the range of wind speeds we studied. The Ho. et al. 2011 parameterization was chosen because it is one of a few parameterizations where a confidence interval is given. Our reasoning would not change if we used a parameterization based on eddy covariance of CO₂ to compare our data with. We have changed the manuscript to include an eddy covariance based CO₂-transfer parametrization to Fig. 6 and also included some eddy covariance DMS measurements. We have extended the discussion in the results section to also discuss the mentioned additions to Fig. 6.</p> <p>We mentioned that binning is commonly done for eddy covariance data sets to put the temporal resolution of the ACFT into perspective, not to criticize eddy covariance.</p> <p>We agree that simultaneous measurements of eddy covariance and ACFT would be very valuable.</p>
<p>I was surprised that so much emphasis in this paper was placed on the dual tracer method because active thermography captures only interfacial flux. Bubble-related transfer is very important for CO₂ so if active thermography agrees with dual tracer at intermediate and high winds, then it would seem that some assumption in the interpretation of these methods is wrong. Active thermography should be more similar to eddy covariance measurements of DMS than to a dual tracer fit meant to mimic CO₂. Eddy covariance studies of DMS and CO₂ clearly show that CO₂ fluxes at intermediate and high winds are enhanced by bubble transfer relative to dms (which is controlled mostly by the interfacial flux; for example, Bell et al., 2013; Blomquist et al., 2017). There is a conundrum here - if the dual tracer method gets k_{CO2} right (which it seems to), it must be bubble-enhanced also. So one would expect active thermography to diverge from the dual tracer results at intermediate and higher wind speeds.</p>	<p>Iwano et al. 2013 (CO₂, solubility 0.8) and Krall&Jähne2014 (two tracers with solubility 1 and 3.2) found the measured gas transfer velocities to be compatible with the theoretical prediction for pure interfacial transfer of</p> $k = \beta^{-1} u_* Sc^{-n}$ <p>up to wind speeds of around 30-35 m/s. Both of these studies were done in a wind-wave tank using fresh water, in which the bubble size distribution differs from sea water. However, gas transfer velocities measured in a hurricane (McNeil&D'Asaro2006, O₂ with solubility of 0.03) agree well with the transfer velocities measured in both lab studies mentioned above.</p> <p>From this line of evidence we can infer that bubble mediated gas transfer is weak for winds up to 30-35 m/s for gases of most solubilities for fresh water and for sea water. We therefore disagree with the assertion that "bubble-related gas transfer is very important for CO₂" for winds lower than 30-35 m/s. In addition, Nagel et al. 2015 found no differences between simultaneous heat transfer and gas transfer measurements for wind speeds up to 12.7m/s, indicating that bubble enhancement for gas transfer is not significant at those wind speeds.</p> <p>Thus we think that the differences found between EC measurements of CO₂ and DMS must have causes other than bubbles.</p>

<p>Several studies suggest that interfacial gas transfer appears to be limited at higher winds. This is attributed to wave shielding and other wave-related effects demonstrated in the laboratory by Mueller and Veron (2009) and incorporated into gas transfer models by Fairall et al., 2011 and Donelan and Soloviev, 2016. Such processes could be salient here in relating active thermography to gas transfer. This is not to say that the arguments in the paper about fetch and surfactants etc. are not very well founded. I think they are.</p>	<p>It is true that several studies found a limitation of the Drag coefficient at higher wind speeds (Mueller and Veron 2009, Takagaki et al. 2012). However, the gas transfer velocity has no such limit, see the studies referenced above (Iwano2013, Krall&Jähne2014, McNeil&D'Asaro2006).</p> <p>Since, as argued above, bubble effects are weak up to 30-35m/s, we can assume that transfer velocities measured at wind speeds below 30-35 m/s are controlled by the transfer through the water surface, and are independent of the gas or measurement technique (EC or DT or ACFT) used.</p>
<p>But the overall premise that the dual tracer and active thermography measurements should measure the same thing seems open to debate. I think this should be considered by the authors and perhaps addressed in the manuscript.</p>	<p>Simultaneous measurements of heat transfer and gas transfer with a mass balance method have shown that heat transfer velocities can be scaled to gas transfer velocities for wind speeds up to at least 12.7 m/s (Nagel et al. 2015). No evidence of bubble contribution was found in the measured gas transfer velocities. Therefore, we think that a comparisons with a dual tracer parameterizations is valid.</p>
	<p>Changes to the manuscript: we have extended our reasoning why we think that surfactants are the most likely cause for lower gas transfer in the Aranda2010 campaign. We discuss why we think that bubbles do not explain the lower gas transfer using the arguments given above.</p>
	<p>references:</p> <p>Iwano et al. 2013: Mass transfer velocity across the breaking air–water interface at extremely high wind speeds https://doi.org/10.3402/tellusb.v65i0.21341</p> <p>Krall & Jähne 2013: First laboratory study of air–sea gas exchange at hurricane wind speeds https://doi.org/10.5194/os-10-257-2014</p> <p>McNeil & D'Asaro 2006: Parameterization of air–sea gas fluxes at extreme wind speeds https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmarsys.2006.05.013</p> <p>Mueller & Veron 2009: Nonlinear Formulation of the Bulk Surface Stress over Breaking Waves: Feedback Mechanisms from Air-flow Separation https://doi.org/10.1007/s10546-008-9334-6</p> <p>Takagaki et al. 2012: Strong correlation between the drag coefficient and the shape of the wind sea spectrum over a broad range of wind speeds https://doi.org/10.1029/2012GL053988</p> <p>Nagel et al. 2015: Comparative heat and gas exchange measurements in the Heidelberg Aeolotron, a large annular wind-wave tank https://doi.org/10.5194/os-11-111-2015</p>

Authors' response to the 'Interactive comment to “Variability of air-sea gas transfer velocity on the Baltic Sea”' by Anonymous Referee #2

We would like to express our gratitude to the Anonymous Referee #2 for their thorough and helpful review. Our answers are given in the table below.

Reviewer's comment	Authors' response
<p>1. The purposes of the manuscript is not clearly formulated. The title suggests that the purpose was to demonstrate how the air-sea gas transfer varies in the Baltic Sea, but inside the text suggests other objectives. Is the objective to compare active thermography method with dual trace method? Or is the purpose to prove that fetch and surface active material have a significant effect on the gas transfer velocity. Or is the purpose of proving that in the transfer velocity study should we use the Schmidt exponent dependently on water conditions?</p>	<p>The purpose is indeed manifold. First, to present the gas transfer velocities we measured in the baltic sea. Second, to stress that under (even suspected) surfactant influence, the correct Schmidt number exponent should be used. And third but not least to interpret the measured gas transfer velocities with respect to fetch/wave age and surfactants.</p> <p>The dual tracer parameterization by Ho et al. 2011 was chosen to compare our results against, since this study is based on the most thorough compilation of dual tracer data, and it is one of very few studies providing a confidence interval for their parametrization. Since generally dual tracer studies agree quite well with eddy covariance measurements, we could also have chosen a parametrization developed with eddy covariance data, without changing our conclusions.</p> <p>To better represent the purpose of the manuscript, we changed the title to a more general 'Measurements of air-sea gas transfer velocities in the Baltic Sea'</p>
<p>2. The article in its current form - short, specific information on a given topic, without any extensive descriptions of the transfer velocity - is attractive for scientists who are interested in this topic. But for scientists who are not familiar with this topic, this article may be embarrassing,</p>	<p>The audience, that this article was intended for was indeed researchers, who personally work in the field of air-sea gas exchange or in very closely related fields. It was specifically not intended to be an overview of air-sea gas exchange research or measuring techniques for a general audience.</p>
<p>2. cont. because they will learn specific results from the use of a given measurement technique, but will not know anything about why this is happening. This article is of a purely technical nature rather than a scientific article.....</p>	<p>Schmidt number scaling is done to provide gas transfer velocities, which are explicitly not depending on the measuring technique, and also not depending on the tracer used (different gases, or, in our case. heat). Therefore, the results we presented are not 'results from the use of a given measurement technique', but results any technique would have yielded given the same boundary conditions (ie. the same wind speed, fetch, surfactant coverage..). We added a sentence ('Schmidt number scaling is used to provide a value for the gas transfer velocity, which is independent of the specific measurement technique or tracer.') to paragraph 3.2 to stress that.</p>
<p>2. cont. It is important to add more information about the different methods that are used for study transfer velocity or more information about the gas transfer velocity itself and in the Baltic Sea.</p>	<p>Different methods commonly used (dual tracer and eddy covariance techniques) are already mentioned in the introduction. We added a reference in the introduction to an overview paper where measurement methods are described in detail. (' \citet{wanninkhof 2009} gives an overview of the most commonly used techniques to measure the gas transfer velocity.')</p>

<p>a. The Introduction should be extended about information described above. A few sentences about various technique to study gas transfer. What is the ACTF method characterized. Some more information about correlation k with u^*. Perhaps more information about variability of air-sea gas transfer velocity in the Baltic Sea, as the title suggested.</p>	<p>Describing the ACFT in the introduction is not necessary, since a brief description of the ACFT is given in section 3.2. We added a reference to section 3.2 to the introduction.</p> <p>also see answers to point 2.</p>
<p>b. More information why mainly wind speed is taken into consideration in air-sea study and why we should add more factors. Not only write the other factors.</p>	<p>added statement 'since wind speed is the most readily available parameter.' to sentence 2 in the introduction.</p> <p>Some factors influencing the air sea gas transfer velocity other than wind speed are mentioned in the introductory paragraph of section 2. Two selected factors (Surfactants and fetch/wave age) are discussed in detail in sections 2.1 and 2.2. There, experimental evidence is given in the form of references that both factors are indeed modifying the gas transfer velocity and need to be taken into account.</p>
<p>c. P2L6 . . .the active controlled flux (CFT). . .</p>	<p>abbreviation added & sentences slightly rearranged</p>
<p>d. P2L 9 add references after: A wealth of studies (references) have shown. . .</p>	<p>We decided to group the 'wealth of studies' using the respective factor each of them addressed, respectively. So all references that follow later in the sentence are selected studies from the aforementioned 'wealth of studies'.</p>
<p>e. P3L27..the active controlled flux (CFT)</p>	<p>abbreviation added</p>
<p>f. Please exchange para 4.1 with 4.2 for better organization, as you mention in presence para 4.1 cruises which are introduce in presence para 4.2</p>	<p>we swapped paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2</p>
<p>g. P7L29 - . . .from 25 April 2009 until 7 May 2009 on the German. . .</p>	<p>replaced 'March' with 'May'</p>
<p>h. P9L11 During most of the FS Alkor campaign in 2010 this should be after Fig. 5 where you introduce this cruise</p>	<p>Figure placement will be taken care of in the production stage of the finalized manuscript.</p> <p>We added a clarifying statement that this paragraph is about the Alkor 2010 campaign in the previous sentence, where the fig 5 is referenced for the first time.</p>
<p>i. The results and conclusion are very short when they are the most important part of the article. Maybe comparison with other data from the Baltic Sea.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, not many measurements of gas transfer in the baltic sea exist. We have added a sentence mentioning both previous measurements of gas transfer in the Baltic, and compare our results with one of them (Fig.6). We have significantly extended the discussion of our results, to more thoroughly argue that surfactants are the most likely reason why the Aranda2010 results from the Archipelago are lower than expected. We have also added a discussion of why we think bubble mediated gas transfer is no valid explanation for this to comply with the requests of the other two reviewers. To do this, we have added one eddy covariance based parametrization of CO₂ gas transfer and two eddy covariance based data sets of DMS transfer to Fig. 6.</p>

j. We know that at higher and lower wind speed gas transfer are limited so maybe more about that.

The ACFT method cannot be used to measure gas transfer at very low wind speeds. Therefore, discussing limits in the low wind speed case is outside of the scope of the presented manuscript.

For high wind speeds, the gas transfer velocity was found to be not limited, see:

McNeil & D'Asaro 2006:

Parameterization of air–sea gas fluxes at extreme wind speeds

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmarsys.2006.05.013>

Iwano et al. 2013:

Mass transfer velocity across the breaking air–water interface at extremely high wind speeds

<https://doi.org/10.3402/tellusb.v65i0.21341>

Krall & Jähne 2013:

First laboratory study of air–sea gas exchange at hurricane wind speeds

<https://doi.org/10.5194/os-10-257-2014>

Authors' response to the 'reviewer comments for OS-2018-108' by Anonymous Referee #3

We would like to express our gratitude to the Anonymous Referee #3 for their thorough and helpful review. Our answers are given in the table below.

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My only major comment is the heavy focus on comparing with the dual tracer technique. The ACFT approach has a completely different 'time constant' relating k to more or less instantaneous wind with a footprint of a few square meters, whereas the dual tracer technique is quite the opposite. I think a more proper comparison would be with eddy covariance based results.	We have added an eddy covariance based parametrization of CO ₂ to Fig. 6, as well as two eddy covariance based datasets of the transfer of DMS. We have extended the discussion of the results with respect to those CO ₂ and DMS measurements.
Page 2. Line 12: Waterside convection is also a process which might influence the transfer velocity	We added '[...] and convective mixing (e.g. \cite{rutgersson2011}).' to the end of the first paragraph of Section 2.
Page 2, paragraph starting at line 25, the recent paper by Pereira et al. 2018, would also be good to include here.	We replaced the citation Pereira et al. 2016 with the much more recent Pereira et al. 2018, since both use the same technique: gas exchange is measured in a baffle stirred tank with water sampled from the ocean.
Page 5, figure 1: how sensitive are your calculated transfer velocities to the variation Sc ?	We assume the Schmidt numbers (or Prandtl numbers in the case of heat) to be well known, i.e. as having no uncertainty. The uncertainty of the Schmidt number exponent when Schmidt number scaling is done is included in the uncertainty of the calculated gas transfer velocity (error bars in figs. 3-6).
Page 6, lines 25-26: how long averaging period did you use?	The wind speed was averaged for duration of each single measured heat transfer velocity measurement, i.e. about 20 minutes. Weather data was provided by the ships with a temporal resolution of 1 minute (FS Alkor) and 10 seconds (RV Aranda).
Page 6, line 27, I think section 4.2 suits better before the current 4.1 section.	We agree. Sections 4.1 and 4.2 are swapped in the updated manuscript.
Page 8, figure 3: I would suggest comparing with an EC based parameterization instead. Additionally, Ho et al. use a 10-min mean wind speed, what averaging period are you using for your wind speeds?	Concerning the averaging period, see our response to comment no. 5. We have added an eddy covariance based parametrization for the transfer of CO ₂ to fig. 6, in addition to two eddy covariance based data sets of the tracer DMS.
Page 8-9, line 1: please specify what you mean by "the response time of the system is very high", what is meant by "high" here, how long time is this?	We have reworded and extended this section, to hopefully better describe the relationships between the response time of the water surface and the residence time of a water parcel in the heated patch.
Page 9, line 3: similar comment, please specify what the typical response time of the water surface you refer to	Response times can be easily calculated from the heat transfer velocities given in the appendix of the manuscript and Eqn. 4 in the manuscript. For wind speeds of 5m/s and above, they are in the order of 0.3-1.7 s.

<p>Page 9, line 5: again, how long are the residence times estimated from the IR images.</p>	<p>The residence times measured for the conditions below 5m/s wind speed are around 1.6 to 3.3 s. Using Eqn. 4 we can see that we cannot resolve transfer velocities below $k = \sqrt{D_{\text{heat}}/\tau_{\text{res}}}$. Thus the minimum resolvable transfer velocity is in the order of $k_{\text{heat}}=75$ to 100cm/h. However, we do expect lower heat transfer velocities than that at low wind speeds. One can see that by Schmidt number scaling (for instance) the H_0 parametrization to a Schmidt number (or Prandtl number) of 7.</p>
<p>Page 12, line 10: The Aeolotron has already been introduced in the text, no need for a second introduction here.</p>	<p>Those sentences were not intended as another introduction of the Aeolotron, but a justification why we think it is the best wind-wave tank to compare our field data to. We reworded the sentence to better stress what we wanted to say there.</p>

Variability Measurements of air-sea gas transfer velocities in the Baltic Sea

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Abstract. Heat transfer velocities measured during three different campaigns in the Baltic Sea using the Active Controlled Flux Technique (ACFT) with wind speeds ranging from 5.3 to 14.8 m s⁻¹ are presented. Careful scaling of the heat transfer velocities to gas transfer velocities using Schmidt number exponents measured in a laboratory study allows to compare the measured transfer velocities to existing gas transfer velocity parameterizations, which use wind speed as the controlling parameter. The measured data and other field data clearly show that some gas transfer velocities are much lower than the empirical wind speed parameterizations. This indicates that the dependencies of the transfer velocity on the fetch, i. e., the history of the wind and the age of the wind wave field, and the effects of surface active material need to be taken into account.

1 Introduction

The transfer of a trace gas across the air sea interface is commonly characterized by the gas transfer velocity k , which links the gas flux j with the concentration difference across the interface, Δc ,

$$j = k\Delta c. \tag{1}$$

Traditionally, k is parameterized with the wind speed measured in 10 m height, u_{10} , since wind speed is the most readily available parameter. Different authors proposed different functional dependencies between k and u_{10} , for example a gradual transition from a smooth to a wavy regime (Jähne, 1982), piecewise linear (Liss and Merlivat, 1986), linear and quadratic terms (Nightingale et al., 2000), quadratic (Wanninkhof, 1992) or cubic (Wanninkhof and McGillis, 1999).

Wanninkhof et al. (2009) gives an overview of the most commonly used techniques to measure the gas transfer velocity. In the last decades, the dual-tracer technique, especially with the tracer pair ³He/SF₆, has as well as eddy covariance measurements of the gases CO₂ and Dimethylsulfide (DMS) have become state of the art of measuring the gas transfer velocity in situ. A recent review article by Ho et al. (2011) proposed

$$k_{600} [\text{cm h}^{-1}] = 0.262 \pm 0.022 u_{10}^2 [u_{10} \text{ in m s}^{-1}] \tag{2}$$

as the best fit to all available $^3\text{He}/\text{SF}_6$ dual tracer data points.

However, mass balance techniques such as the dual tracer method have a large time constant of up to weeks and large spatial scales of a few tens of kilometers, smoothing away varying micrometeorological and surface conditions (e. g. the degree of surface contamination by surface active material).

5 In contrast, the eddy covariance method provides measurements of the gas transfer velocity on time scales below 1h and spatial scales of a few kilometers. However, bin averaging over wind speed intervals is frequently necessary, since even under idealized conditions, not all realizations of the turbulent field can be measured, so that each single flux measurement obtained during a 30 min time period is still uncertain (Garbe et al., 2014).

In this study, the active controlled flux technique (ACFT), a thermographic technique ~~is presented~~, is used, which is capable
10 of measuring the heat transfer velocity with a temporal resolution of about 20 minutes, which can then be scaled to gas transfer velocities. ~~The active controlled flux technique~~ This technique is described in section 3.1.

The ACFT was deployed during three cruises in the Baltic Sea to investigate the variability of the transfer velocities under field conditions.

Earlier measurements of the gas transfer velocity in the Baltic sea are sparse. Weiss et al. (2007) used the eddy covariance
15 technique to measure the transfer of CO₂ in the Arkona Basin, and Rutgersson et al. (2008) used the same technique in the
Gotland sea. Both studies found a very high variability of the gas transfer velocity.

2 Factors influencing air-sea gas exchange

A wealth of studies have shown, that, despite the common approach parameterizing the gas transfer velocity to wind speed alone, a multitude of other factors influence gas transfer, for example the contamination of the water surface with surface active
20 material (e.g. Frew et al. (2004); Salter et al. (2011)), bubble entrainment (e.g. Woolf et al. (2007); Crosswell (2015)), fetch (e.g. Zhao et al. (2003); Woolf (2005)) ~~and~~, rain (e.g. Zappa et al. (2009); Harrison et al. (2012)) ~~-and convective mixing (e.g.~~
Rutgersson et al. (2011)).

Since the method discussed in this paper is insensitive to bubble contributions and can only be used to measure the interfacial
25 part of the air sea gas transfer, and no measurements were performed in rain conditions, only the influence of surface active material and fetch will be discussed here.

2.1 Surfactants

One factor contributing to the disagreement between gas transfer velocities measured at the same wind speed are surface active materials (surfactants), which reduce the gas transfer velocity. This reduction in the gas transfer velocity in the presence of surfactants is not caused by the additional diffusion of the gas through the mono-molecular surfactant layer at the water surface
30 (Frew et al., 1990), but by hydrodynamic effects in the mass boundary layer. Surfactant presence at the water surface inhibits eddy motion close to the surface and reduces fluid velocities. Upwelling at the surface is hindered by a reduction in the surface divergence due to the visco-elastic properties of the surfactant (McKenna and Bock, 2006). Vertical velocity fluctuations near

the interface are considered vital to gas-transfer enhancement. Decreased vertical transport of fresh fluid towards the water surface results in a thicker boundary layer and thus a reduced transfer velocity (McKenna and McGillis, 2004).

Surfactants are enriched in the sea surface microlayer in the worlds oceans (Wurl et al., 2011) over a wide range of wind speeds as high as $u_{10} = 13 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (Sabbaghzadeh et al., 2017). In the Baltic sea, high surface activities were measured (Schmidt and Schneider, 2011), with a seasonal dependency in a near-shore position. The reduction of the gas transfer velocity due to surfactants has been observed in studies, where the gas transfer velocity was measured in laboratory setups in fresh water with added artificial surfactants (Mesarchaki et al., 2015; Krall, 2013; Lee and Saylor, 2010; Frew et al., 1995), in water sampled from the ocean (Pereira et al., 2018; Schmidt and Schneider, 2011; Frew et al., 1990; Goldman et al., 1988), during field studies (Frew et al., 2004), as well as during field studies where artificial surfactants were released on the ocean surface (Salter et al., 2011; Brockmann et al., 1982). Gas transfer is found to be highly variable, with a reduction of up to 60 % under surfactant influence.

The gas transfer velocity k of sparingly soluble gases is commonly parameterized with the friction velocity u_* , a measure for momentum input,

$$k = \frac{1}{\beta} u_* Sc^{-n} \quad (3)$$

with the momentum transfer resistance parameter β and the Schmidt number exponent n (Deacon, 1977; Jähne et al., 1979; Coantic, 1986; Jähne et al., 1989; Csanady, 1990). Both the momentum transfer resistance β and the Schmidt number exponent n depend on the hydrodynamic properties of the water surface. For a hydrodynamically smooth water surface, e.g. at very low wind speeds or under surfactant influence, the Schmidt number exponent is found to be $n = 2/3$, while for a wavy water surface, $n = 1/2$. For increasing friction velocity, this change from $n = 2/3$ to $n = 1/2$ is found to be smooth, rather than sudden (Jähne et al., 1987; Richter and Jähne, 2011). In addition, this change in the Schmidt number exponent depends also on the contamination of the water surface with surface active material, with the change starting at higher friction velocities and being steeper for a surfactant covered water surface (Krall, 2013).

2.2 Fetch and wave age

Another factor influencing the gas transfer velocity, which is disregarded in the widely used wind speed only parameterizations, is the dependency on fetch or the age of the wave field. Earliest indications that the fetch is an important parameter were seen by Broecker et al. (1978), who used an 18 m long wind-wave tank and found almost a doubling of the gas transfer velocity compared to the earlier work by Liss (1973), who used a tank of only 4.5 m length. Wanninkhof (1992) pointed out, that the differences observed between gas transfer measurements in lakes and the ocean might be caused by growing wave fields and thus increasing near surface turbulence over distances as high as a few hundreds of kilometers offshore. Zhao et al. (2003) and Woolf (2005) developed parameterization for the transfer velocity based the breaking-wave parameter (Toba and Koga, 1986) and the whitecap coverage, both of which depend on the fetch.

The considerations above indicate that there should be a dependency of the gas transfer velocity on the fetch. But unfortunately there is no solid knowledge because more detailed measurements and theories are lacking.

3 Measuring technique

3.1 Active thermography

The active controlled flux technique (ACFT) can be used to measure gas transfer velocities under laboratory as well as under field conditions with a high temporal (minutes) and spatial (meters) resolution, using heat as a proxy tracer. A carbon dioxide laser with an scanning optic is used to deposit energy directly to the water surface. An infrared camera measures the resulting heating.

For this study the system theory approach proposed in Jähne et al. (1989) was used. In this approach, the laser is switched on and off with changing frequencies. At low laser forcing frequencies the water surface will reach the thermal equilibrium, resulting in a constant heating.

At higher forcing frequencies this equilibrium is not reached and the measured amplitude is damped. Using Fourier analysis to determine this amplitude damping in dependency of the laser forcing frequency, the time to reach the thermal equilibrium, which corresponds to the response time of the system, is calculated. It is linked to the transfer velocity by (Jähne et al. (1987))

$$k_{\text{heat}} = \sqrt{\frac{D_{\text{heat}}}{\tau}} \quad \text{or} \quad \tau = \frac{D_{\text{heat}}}{k_{\text{heat}}^2}. \quad (4)$$

This analysis technique is particularly suitable for field measurements as it requires no absolute calibration. A more detailed description of the analysis method, the necessary correction for the penetration depth of the infrared camera and the error estimation can be found in Nagel (2014).

3.2 Scaling heat transfer velocities to gas transfer velocities

To compare the measured transfer velocities of heat to the transfer velocities of a gas like CO₂, Schmidt number scaling is applied,

$$k_{\text{gas}} = k_{\text{heat}} \left(\frac{\text{Sc}}{\text{Pr}} \right)^{-n}, \quad (5)$$

where k_{gas} and k_{heat} are the transfer velocities for the gas and heat, respectively. The Schmidt number $\text{Sc} = \nu/D_{\text{gas}}$ and the Prandtl number $\text{Pr} = \nu/D_{\text{heat}}$ are given by the kinematic viscosity of the water divided by the diffusion coefficient of the gas and of heat in water, respectively. The Schmidt number exponent n varies between $n = 2/3$ for a flat and $n = 1/2$ for a wavy water surface (Jähne et al. (1987), Richter and Jähne (2011), Krall (2013)).

Schmidt number scaling is used to provide a value for the gas transfer velocity, which is independent of the specific measurement technique or tracer.

However, using heat as a proxy for a gas tracer has one significant drawback. Diffusion of heat is about one hundred times faster than diffusion of a dissolved gas in water. Because of this, any uncertainty in the Schmidt number exponent n leads to a relative large uncertainty for the heat transfer velocity scaled to a gas transfer velocity. It is generally given by

$$\frac{\Delta k}{k_{\text{gas}}} = \ln \left(\frac{\text{Sc}}{\text{Pr}} \right) \Delta n. \quad (6)$$

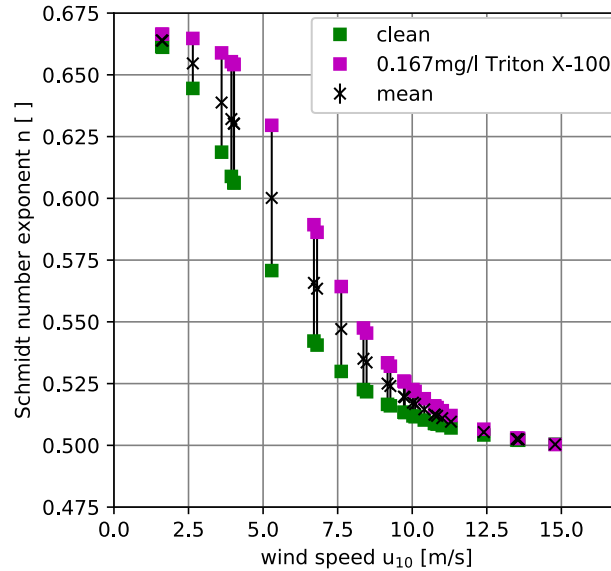


Figure 1. Possible ranges of Schmidt number exponents for a clean and surfactant covered water surface as a function of the wind speed as inferred from experiments in the Heidelberg *Aeolotron* wind-wave tank (Krall, 2013) for the wind speeds encountered during this study. Friction velocities measured in the *Aeolotron* were taken from Bopp (2011) and converted to the wind speed in 10 m height using the drag coefficient parameterization by Edson et al. (2013). To scale the heat transfer velocities measured in the present work, the mean values of the Schmidt number exponent were used.

where Δk and Δn are the absolute uncertainties for the transfer velocity and the Schmidt number exponent, respectively. For the whole expected range of $n = 2/3$ to $1/2$, $\Delta_n = \pm 0.083$ (Fig. 1) and $Sc/Pr \approx 600/9$, the relative scaling error is $\pm 35\%$. This is quite a large uncertainty.

In the past decade, several studies (Asher et al., 2004; Atmane et al., 2004; Zappa et al., 2004; Jessup et al., 2009) found deviations between the Schmidt number scaled heat and the simultaneously measured gas transfer velocities. However, a more recent study by Nagel et al. (2015) showed that using a model independent analysis method, as proposed by Jähne et al. (1989) and the correct Schmidt number exponent results in a good agreement.

For field measurements, the importance of using a Schmidt number exponent depending on the water surface condition is also highlighted in Esters et al. (2017), who relate the gas transfer velocity to the turbulent energy dissipation rate.

10 Currently, there are no measurement techniques available to measure the Schmidt number exponent in the field with the same temporal resolution as the heat transfer measurements. Therefore, the scaling in the present work was done using Schmidt number exponents measured in the Heidelberg *Aeolotron* wind wave tank, see 1 (Krall, 2013), as opposed to Schimpf et al. (2011), who used a fixed Schmidt number exponent of $1/2$. In Krall (2013), Schmidt number exponents were measured with different concentrations of the surface active material (surfactant) *Triton X-100*. The mean of the Schmidt number exponent

of the two extreme cases presented in Krall (2013), corresponding to clean water and water with $167 \mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Triton X-100, respectively, was used to scale the heat transfer velocities to gas transfer velocities to account for possible contamination of the water surface with surface active material. The difference between the mean and both extreme values of the Schmidt number exponent was used as the uncertainty of the Schmidt number exponent. Since the *Aeolotron* wind-wave tank is an annular
5 facility, it has virtually unlimited fetch, comparable with open ocean conditions.

Due to the lack of simultaneously measured Schmidt number exponents in the field, this approach is more realistic than using $n = 1/2$ for all encountered wind conditions disregarding a potentially smooth condition ($n = 2/3$) of the water surface. The approach used here reduces the uncertainty of Δn from ± 0.083 to $< \pm 0.030$ (Fig. 1). The resulting relative uncertainty of k is then $\Delta k/k < \pm 13\%$.

10 Another source of uncertainty lies in transferring the lab measurements of the Schmidt number exponent to the field conditions, since in the lab, the friction velocity u_* is measured (Bopp, 2011) as opposed to the wind speed in 10 m height which is commonly measured in the field. To convert lab measurements to field conditions, the drag coefficient, $C_D = u_*^2/u_{10}^2$ taken from Edson et al. (2013) was used.

4 Measurements

15 4.1 Baltic Sea campaigns 2009 and 2010

Three ship campaigns were conducted in 2009 and 2010.

Figure 2 show the tracks of these three cruises. The first one (Alkor Cruise 336, Schmidt (2)) took place from 25 April 2009 until 7 May 2009 on the German research vessel FS *Alkor*. It included measurements north-west of Rügen and the Gotland Sea. The second cruise on the same vessel (Alkor Cruise 356, Schneider (2010)), between 30 June and 13 July 2010 included
20 measurement stations spread over the whole Baltic Sea. The third cruise took place on the Finnish research vessel RV *Aranda* from 14 September until 19 September 2010. Due to the stormy weather conditions, most measurements were conducted in the Finnish archipelago and only two measurements were conducted under open ocean conditions in the Gulf of Finland.

4.2 Experimental setup on ship

To use the CFT method described in Sec. 3.1, a CO_2 -Laser (Firestar f200, Synrad, Inc.) was used to heat the water surface. A
25 scanning system (Micro Max 671, Cambridge Technology, Inc.) was used to widen the laser to create a heated patch on the water surface. The temperature response of the water surface was recorded with an infrared camera (CMT 256, Thermosensorik). Laser, scanner and camera are synchronised by custom electronics. A water tight box, including the IR laser, the IR camera and the electronics was installed on rails on top of an aluminum cradle at the bow of the research vessels. During transit times the box was retracted and fixed over the vessel, while it was moved over the ocean during measurement times. A more detailed
30 description of all used instruments is given in Nagel (2014).

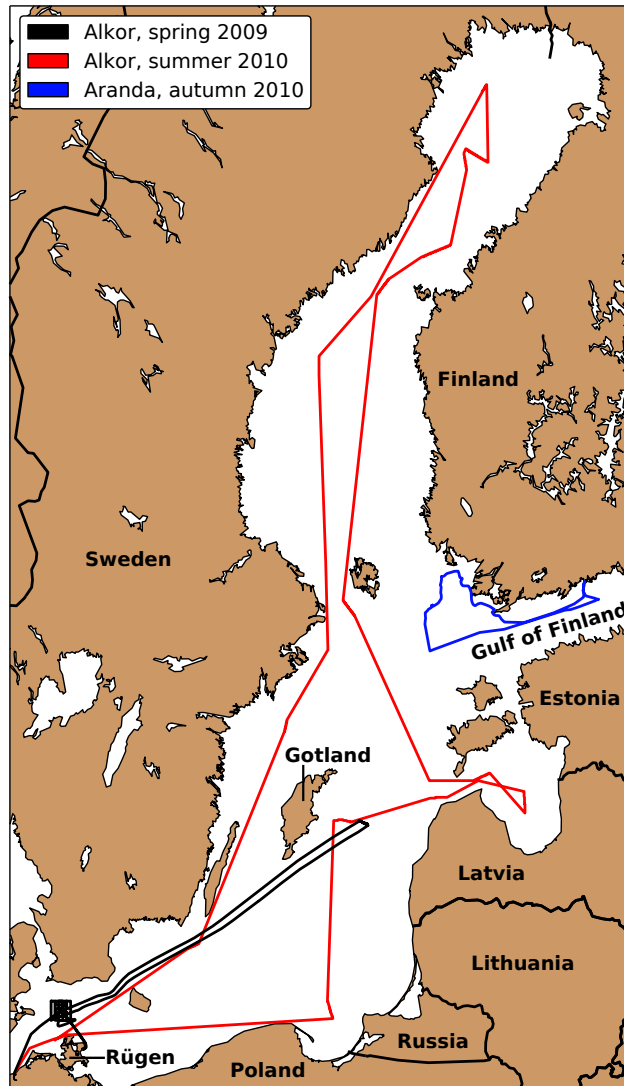


Figure 2. [Map of the Baltic Sea. The tracks of the three cruises are shown.](#)

Measurements were only conducted at stations, where the vessel was standing at one position. Nevertheless due to currents the water surface moved relative to the ship. As direct sun irradiation disturbs the infrared signals, most measurements were conducted during night time or on cloudy days. Nevertheless, reflections of thermal signature of the sky and the ship itself can not be avoided. However, the periodic forcing of the heat flux as described in Sect. 3.1, suppresses these effects (lock-in technique).

Wind speed measured in 10 m height was provided by each vessels weather station. On FS *Alkor*, one minute mean wind speeds were stored only for the times during which measurements with the ACFT were performed. On RV *Aranda*, ten second mean values were stored for the whole duration of the cruise. During data processing, averages of the stored values were calculated for the times during which the respective ACFT measurements were performed.

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5 Results

15 5.1 Measured transfer velocities

First results of the cruise in 2009 are already published in Schimpf et al. (2011). For this study a re-evaluation with slight differences in the correction of the penetration depth of the infrared camera was done. Also, the improved Schmidt number scaling described in section 3.2 was used, while Schimpf et al. (2011) used $n=1/2$ for all conditions. The obtained heat transfer velocities are given in Tab. A1. Figure 3 shows the measured transfer velocities, scaled to a Schmidt number of 600. To compare the results with other field measurements the parameterization by Ho et al. (2011), which parameterizes the transfer velocity with the wind speed is also shown. This parameterization was chosen for comparison, since it is one of the few in which a margin of uncertainty is included (gray band in Fig. 3).

Figure 4 shows the measured heat transfer velocities over the wind speed for the *Alkor* campaign in 2010 in comparison to the same parameterization as used for the measurements in 2009. Schmidt number scaling was done with the same method as for the *Alkor* 2009 data set. During most of the FS *Alkor* campaign in 2010 the wind speeds were rather low. At low wind speeds, the response time of the ~~system is very high~~ water surface is very long, as it ~~decreases~~ increases with the square of the inverse transfer velocity (Eq. 4). The time a water parcel stays in the heated patch (residence time) is limited due to surface currents and the movement of the ship relatively relative to the water surface. ~~To be able to reach~~ In the thermal equilibrium, the ~~residence time has to be~~ heat energy deposited on the water surface by the laser equals the energy removed from the surface by processes driving heat transfer, which results in a constant water surface temperature. Only if the residence time is longer than the response time ~~of~~ , the water surface reaches the thermal equilibrium. Otherwise a lower temperature and therefore a higher

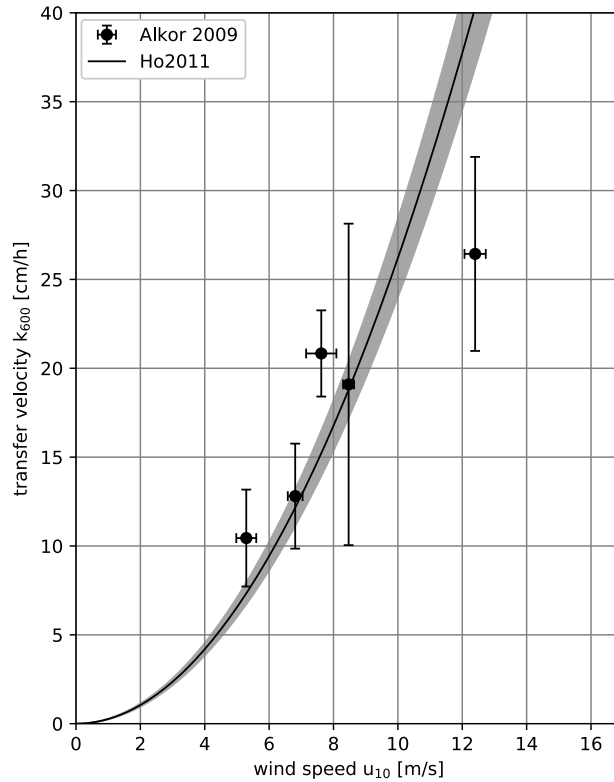


Figure 3. Measured k_{600} transfer velocities plotted against the wind speed of the FS *Alkor* Spring 2009 cruise. For comparison the best fit of Ho et al. (2011), Eq. 2 is added.

amplitude damping will be observed, which leads to an overestimation of the measured transfer velocities. The residence times were estimated from the infrared images themselves by measuring the time a single structure stayed in the heated patch. All measurements with wind speeds of 4 ms^{-1} and below are not reliable, because the estimated residence times were found to be too long. Therefore they will be excluded from further analysis.

- 5 This highlights the difficulties of measuring gas transfer velocities at very low wind speeds. However, difficulties also exist with other approaches to measure the gas transfer velocity in the field, such as dual tracer studies, where the time scales required for measurements are very long at low wind speeds, and sufficiently long periods of low winds are rarely encountered.

The heat transfer velocities scaled to $Sc=600$ measured on RV *Aranda* in 2010 are shown in Fig. 5. The transfer velocities measured in the shielded archipelago are significantly lower than the ones measured under open ocean conditions.

10 5.2 Comparison with other field and laboratory data

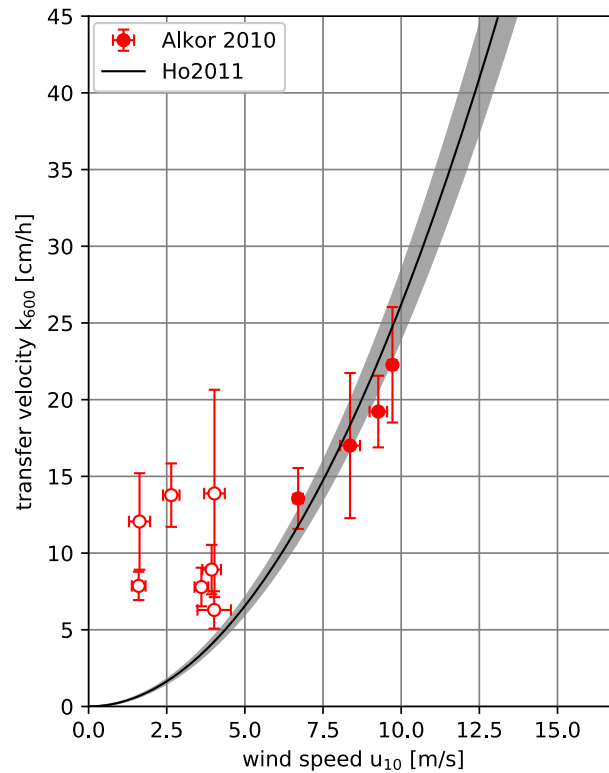


Figure 4. Measured k_{600} transfer velocities plotted against the wind speed of the FS *Alkor* Summer 2010 cruise. Conditions, for which the measured transfer velocity is likely overestimated are marked with open circles and will not be used for further analysis. For comparison the wind speed parameterization taken from Ho et al. (2011) is added.

Fig. Figure 6 shows a comparison between the measured transfer velocities with and the empirical parameterization of Ho et al. (2011). The measurements from the *Alkor* 2009 and *Alkor* 2010 cruises coincide within the error margins with the empirical parameterization by Ho, except for the value at the highest wind speed, which is approx. 40% lower. The two open ocean measurements during the RV *Aranda* cruise 2010 are slightly lower than the empirical parameterization, but still close to it.

- 5 This is, however, not the case for the RV *Aranda* cruise measurements in the shielded archipelago. The measured values are significantly lower. On average, the values are only about one half of the transfer velocities predicted by the empirical parameterization. ~~Because no other information is available, it is impossible to distinguish whether this is caused by the limited fetch or by surfactants or by a combination of both~~ There are three possible explanations for this finding: bubble-mediated transfer, fetch or wave-age and surfactants. In the following sections, these possible explanations will be discussed in detail.

10 5.2.1 Bubble-mediated transfer

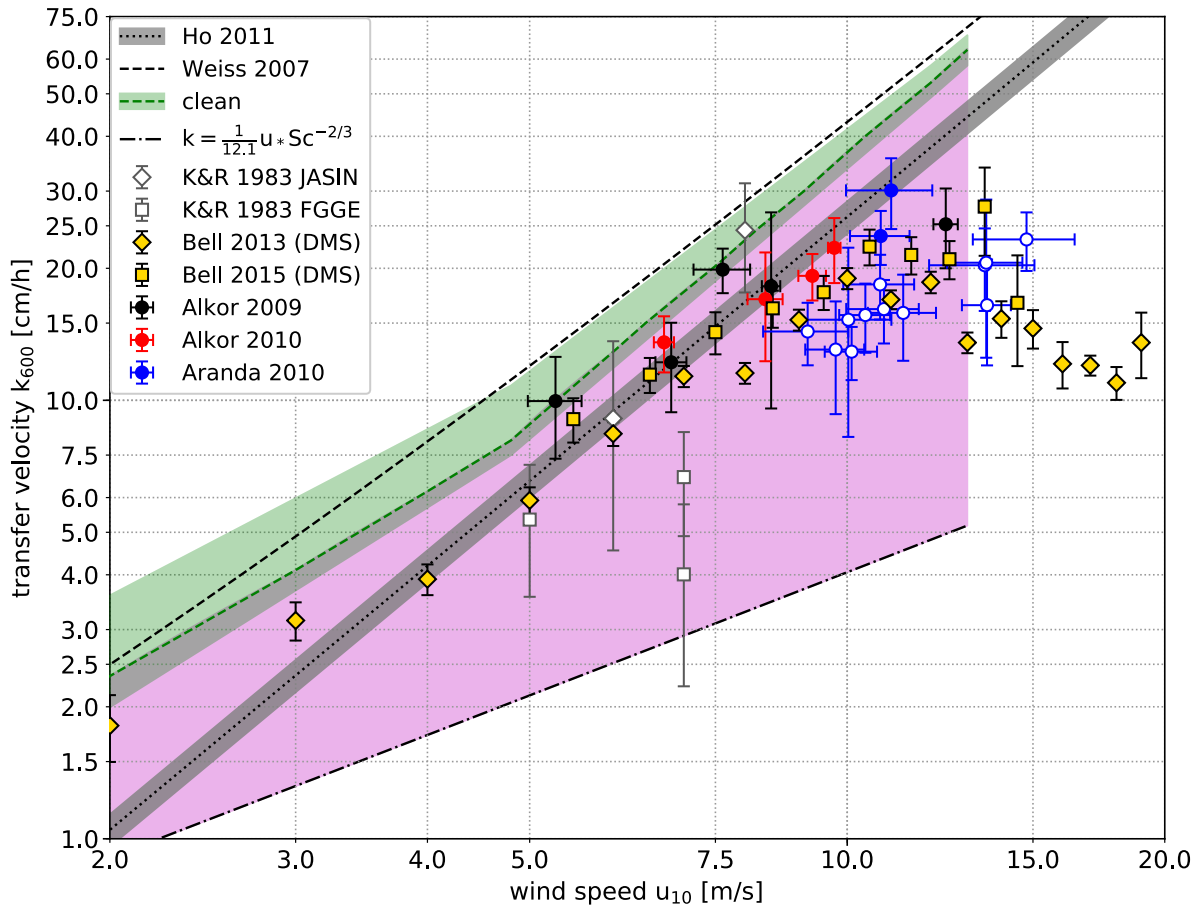


Figure 6. Comparison of scaled heat transfer velocities measured in the Baltic Sea and gas transfer velocities measured in the Heidelberg *Aeolotron* wind-wave facility with a clean water surface (green shaded area). For the measurements on RV *Aranda* in 2010 open ocean conditions, assumed to be with a virtually unlimited fetch, are marked with filled circles, while the fetch limited measurements in the archipelago are marked with open circles. Also shown is the lower limit for a smooth water surface, Eq. 3. The region between the transfer velocities measured with a clean water surface as the upper boundary and the values for a smooth water surface as the lower boundary for possible transfer velocities is shaded in magenta. Also shown are the data set [from the North Atlantic](#) of Kromer and Roether (1983) (K&R1983) [using the radon deficit method](#), [DMS eddy covariance measurements](#) (Bell et al., 2013, 2015) and the parameterization [of previous Baltic Sea gas transfer measurements](#) by Weiss et al. (2007). [The individual data points in](#) Weiss et al. (2007) [and](#) Rutgersson et al. (2008) [scatter too strongly to be shown here.](#) Also shown is the parameterization by Ho et al. (2011).

[\(\$\alpha \approx 0.07\$ \).](#) [In another study,](#) Nagel et al. (2015) [found no differences between gas transfer velocities of \$N_2O\$ and heat transfer velocities for wind speeds as high as 12 m/s, which indicates that bubble contribution for both, the transfer heat and that of \$N_2O\$ is not significant.](#)

5.2.2 Fetch and wave-age effects

A second explanation would be the effect of fetch or, equivalently, quickly varying wind conditions with young seas. This effect has almost not been studied so far. Only recently, Kunz and Jähne (2018) showed with active thermography measurements in the Heidelberg Aeolotron, that at very short fetches and low wind speed, the gas transfer velocity is significantly higher than at infinite fetch. This finding is supported by an old data set, which constitutes the most diligently measured gas transfer velocities using the Radon deficit method (Kromer and Roether, 1983; Roether and Kromer, 1984). One part of this data set was measured during the JASIN cruise in the North Atlantic with highly varying wind speeds. The measured gas transfer velocities are higher or as high as predicted by the empirical parameterization. However, the transfer velocities measured during the FGGE cruise with constantly blowing trade winds are significantly lower. One value is three times lower than predicted by the empirical parameterization of Ho. These measurements clearly indicate that even at the open ocean (i. e. without fetch limitations) there will be significant differences in the gas transfer velocity. The data suggests that this effect may be as large as a factor of five.

~~It is obvious that the deviations between the measurements shown here and the Ho parameterization cannot be explained by fetch or the age of the wave field alone, because both at a young wind-wave field in the shielded archipelago and at very old wind-wave fields (FGGE), significant reductions in the gas transfer velocities are observed. Surprisingly, the thermographic measurements in the Baltic Sea show just the opposite dependency. In the shielded archipelago with possibly short fetches, the transfer velocities are lower and not higher. Thus fetch dependency does not seem to be the correct explanation in this case at rather high wind speeds, where also the Aeolotron data by Kunz and Jähne (2018) show no significant fetch dependency.~~

5.2.3 Surfactants

Therefore the third and most likely reason for the lower gas exchange rates during part of the Aranda 2010 cruise is a reduction of the transfer velocity by surface films. The reduction of about a factor of two is consistent with earlier measurements discussed in section 2.1.

At this point it is helpful, to compare the field data with laboratory data. ~~A augmented by physical arguments about the mechanisms of air-sea gas transfer. However, a direct comparison is not useful physically not valid,~~ because the conditions concerning the wave field and surface contamination will be different. ~~But laboratory data are very helpful. Despite that, laboratory data is suited~~ to explore the possible upper and lower limits of the gas transfer velocity at a given wind speed. ~~For the comparison, we used gas transfer velocities measured in the Heidelberg Aeolotron. This is an annular facility with The Heidelberg Aeolotron laboratory has a virtually unlimited fetch and thus due to its annular shape, so it may resemble the ocean conditions in the best possible way. Those gas transfer velocities were measured with the method described in and are published in.~~

The gas transfer velocities measured when the water surface in the Aeolotron was carefully cleaned by skimming the top layer of the water before the start of each measurement to remove surface active material, can be considered to be the upper limit (green shaded area in Fig. 6). ~~Those gas transfer velocities were measured with the method described in~~ Mesarchaki et al.

(2015) and are published in Krall (2013). In the green shaded area, the increase in the gas transfer velocities at low wind speeds and short fetches observed by Kunz and Jähne (2018) is taken into account, too.

The lower limit ~~is constituted by the~~ for possible gas transfer velocities ~~predicted by~~ is given by the prediction of Deacon (1977) (eqn. 3 with $n=2/3$ and $\beta = 12.1$) for a smooth water surface. These values have been confirmed by measurements
5 in a small annular wind/wave facility, when the water surface was covered by surfactants (Jähne et al., 1979). The highest friction velocity in water at which the water surface remained smooth and without wind waves in this facility was 1.4 cm/s corresponding to a smooth water surface up to a wind speed of $u_{10} \approx 13$ m/s. This is supported by the findings of Sabbaghzadeh et al. (2017), who measured surfactant enrichment in the sea surface microlayer up to $u_{10} \approx 13$ m/s as well.

The region between these upper and lower bounds for gas transfer is shaded in a magenta color in Fig. 6. This difference
10 between highest and lowest possible gas transfer velocities alone indicates that the gas transfer is highly variable and not only dependent on wind speed alone.

All shown field data ~~as well as the Ho parameterization based on mass balance methods, eddy covariance and active thermography~~ are compatible with this shaded region of possible gas transfer ~~rates-velocities~~. The parametrization of CO₂ measured with the eddy covariance technique in the Baltic Sea according to Weiss et al. (2007) is slightly higher than the upper
15 limit resulting from laboratory measurements. Because of the high scatter of these data, individual measurements are even much higher. This means that we still see discrepancies between measurements based on mass balance (now including also active thermography) and eddy covariance measurements, although they are not as bad as in the early days of eddy covariance measurements (Broecker et al., 1986).

6 Conclusions and outlook

20 Heat exchange measurements were conducted in the Baltic Sea during three different campaigns using the active controlled flux technique. The measured heat transfer velocities, scaled to gas transfer velocities using realistic Schmidt number exponents, show high variability even at the same wind speed. New is that even at high wind speeds in the range of 8 to 15 m/s significantly lower gas transfer velocities were measured, which were about a factor of two lower than the average transfer velocities measured by the dual tracer technique and parameterized by the relation of Ho et al. (2011). Based on ~~the field data alone~~
25 ~~it is not possible to distinguish fetch effects from effects by surface films~~ arguments from several lab studies, the influence of surfactants is the most likely reason for variability of the gas transfer velocity under the environmental conditions for the thermographic measurements in the baltic sea. But a possible influence of fetch and bubbles on these measurements cannot completely be ruled out.

~~This~~ Therefore this study clearly indicates that a better understanding of air-sea gas transfer urgently requires more sys-
30 tematic measurements of the the effects of bubbles, fetch (or the age of the wave field) and surfactants. In the field the most promising approach is eddy covariance measurements together with active thermography.

For laboratory measurements some serious limitations must be overcome. One is the fetch gap. In linear facilities only very short fetches can be studied, which are no longer than the maximum length of the water tunnel in the facility. Even at these

short fetches, significant variations of the gas transfer rate can be measured. This has recently been demonstrated by Kunz and Jähne (2018) using active thermography.

In order to increase the fetch range available in the lab, gas exchange measurements could be performed in annular facilities under unsteady wind speed conditions. In the Heidelberg *Aeolotron* it is possible to switch on the wind in a few seconds, while it takes several minutes for the wave field to develop to a stationary state. Unfortunately, it is very hard to make gas exchange measurements with a temporal resolution of below a minute using conventional mass balance techniques.

A very promising technique for fast measurements of gas transfer is the recently developed mass boundary layer imaging technique (Kräuter et al., 2014; Kräuter, 2015). Using this technique will enable the measurement of the gas transfer velocity simultaneously and in the same footprint as the heat transfer velocity. This will allow a direct comparison as well as in-depth studies of the physical mechanisms governing air-sea gas and heat transfer.

Appendix A: Numerical values of the measured transfer velocities

Tables A1, A2 and A3 give the numerical values of the measurements conducted during the cruises in the Baltic Sea.

Table A1. Measured heat transfer velocities k_{heat} in dependency of time, position, wind speed and water and air temperature for the measurements on FS *Alkor* in 2009. Furthermore the Prandtl number Pr , the Schmidt number exponent n and the scaled transfer velocity k_{600} are given. The given times are approximate starting times in UTC. Each measurements lasted about 20 min.

number	date yyyy/mm/dd	time hh:mm	position		u_{10} [m/s]	T_{water} [°C]	T_{air} [°C]	k_{heat} [cm/h]	Pr	n	k_{600} [cm/h]
			N	E							
A1	2009/04/28	19:55	55.002	13.169	8.47 ± 0.17	7.3	10.8	158.6 ± 74.8	10.38	0.534 ± 0.012	18.2 ± 8.6
A2	2009/04/30	02:30	55.122	13.103	12.4 ± 0.33	7.4	8.2	195.9 ± 40.4	10.38	0.505 ± 0.001	25.2 ± 5.2
A3	2009/05/01	20:05	56.389	17.591	5.29 ± 0.31	5.7	6.4	109.8 ± 25.6	11.0	0.6 ± 0.029	10.0 ± 2.6
A4	2009/05/02	20:20	57.337	20.016	6.81 ± 0.23	6.2	8.0	117.3 ± 24.8	10.81	0.563 ± 0.023	12.2 ± 2.8
A5	2009/05/03	20:45	57.366	19.904	7.62 ± 0.47	6.5	7.9	179.8 ± 16.8	10.7	0.547 ± 0.017	19.9 ± 2.3

Table A2. Measured heat transfer velocities k_{heat} in dependency of time, position, wind speed and water and air temperature for the measurements on FS *Alkor* in 2010. Furthermore the Prandtl number Pr , the Schmidt number exponent n and the scaled transfer velocity k_{600} are given. The given times are approximate starting times in UTC. Each measurements lasted about 20 min.

number	date yyyy/mm/dd	time hh:mm	position		u_{10} [m/s]	T_{water} [°C]	T_{air} [°C]	k_{heat} [cm/h]	Pr	n	k_{600} [cm/h]
			N	E							
B1	2010/07/02	00:05	54.951	19.233	4.0±0.3	17.0	15.8	217.4±103.3	7.63	0.63±0.024	13.9±6.8
B2	2010/07/02	00:35	55.064	19.175	3.9±0.3	16.6	15.8	139.6±20.9	7.74	0.632±0.023	8.9±1.6
B3	2010/07/03	06:05	57.383	19.490	1.6±0.2	17.9	17.7	146.9±17.2	7.3	0.664±0.003	7.9±0.9
B4	2010/07/03	23:05	57.658	21.653	3.6±0.2	18.4	18.5	130.2±17.6	7.3	0.639±0.02	7.8±1.3
B5	2010/07/04	22:05	57.903	22.594	4.0±0.5	19.5	20.1	103.2±16.7	7.09	0.63±0.024	6.3±1.2
B6	2010/07/05	20:30	59.857	19.643	6.7±0.1	15.2	16.4	154.9±16.3	8.1	0.566±0.024	13.6±2.0
B7	2010/07/08	18:50	65.215	22.638	8.4±0.3	14.5	16.2	168.7±46.1	8.23	0.535±0.012	17.0±4.7
B8	2010/07/10	22:35	58.561	18.244	2.6±0.3	18.9	20.9	249.4±35.7	7.19	0.655±0.01	13.8±2.1
B9	2010/07/10	23:05	58.567	18.246	1.6±0.3	18.9	20.4	227.3±59.2	7.19	0.664±0.003	12.1±3.1
B10	2010/07/11	19:15	58.567	16.240	9.7±0.1	19.6	22.5	225.3±37.6	6.99	0.52±0.006	22.3±3.8
B11	2010/07/11	19:45	58.847	16.206	9.3±0.3	19.9	22.4	198.2±23.0	6.99	0.524±0.008	19.2±2.3

Table A3. Measured heat transfer velocities k_{heat} in dependency of time, position, wind speed and water and air temperature for the measurements on RV *Aranda* in 2010. Furthermore the Prandtl number Pr , the Schmidt number exponent n and the scaled transfer velocity k_{600} are given. The given times are approximate starting times in UTC. Each measurements lasted about 20 min. All measurements were conducted in a fetch-limited position with the exception of the two conditions marked with an asterisk (*).

number	date yyyy/mm/dd	time hh:mm	position		u_{10} [m/s]	T_{water} [°C]	T_{air} [°C]	k_{heat} [cm/h]	Pr	n	k_{600} [cm/h]
			N	E							
C1	2010/09/15	18:05	59.899	21.502	10.4±0.6	14.9	13.3	143.6±25.7	8.07	0.515±0.004	15.6±2.8
C2	2010/09/15	21:25	59.899	21.502	9.2±0.8	14.8	13.8	137.6±21.8	8.1	0.525±0.008	14.4±2.3
C3	2010/09/16	04:15	59.899	21.502	13.6±0.7	14.9	14.1	143.6±38.9	8.07	0.502±0.0	16.5±4.5
C4	2010/09/16	05:30	59.899	21.502	14.8±1.6	14.9	14.0	201.0±30.7	8.07	0.5±0.0	23.3±3.5
C5	2010/09/16	16:10	59.899	21.502	13.5±1.5	14.9	13.9	177.2±37.8	8.07	0.503±0.0	20.3±4.3
C6	2010/09/16	17:15	59.899	21.502	13.5±1.1	14.9	13.7	179.5±70.5	8.07	0.502±0.0	20.6±8.1
C7	2010/09/16	20:55	59.893	21.486	10.0±1.0	14.8	13.6	141.6±65.0	8.1	0.517±0.005	15.3±7.0
C8	2010/09/16	21:50	59.893	21.486	10.1±0.6	14.7	14.0	119.2±16.3	8.12	0.517±0.005	12.9±1.8
C9	2010/09/17	04:15	59.893	21.486	10.7±0.8	14.5	13.7	166.2±27.9	8.17	0.512±0.004	18.4±3.1
C10	2010/09/17	05:25	59.893	21.486	10.8±0.9	14.6	13.7	145.9±24.0	8.14	0.512±0.003	16.1±2.7
C11	2010/09/17	16:15	59.893	21.486	11.3±0.8	14.6	13.4	141.5±31.4	8.14	0.51±0.003	15.8±3.5
C12	2010/09/17	19:15	59.893	21.486	9.8±0.6	14.5	13.6	121.6±34.8	8.17	0.519±0.006	13.1±3.8
C13*	2010/09/18	13:05	59.378	21.441	11.0±1.0	14.0	12.2	268.5±49.2	8.29	0.511±0.003	30.1±5.5
C14*	2010/09/18	13:35	59.378	21.441	10.8±0.7	13.2	11.3	209.9±29.4	8.49	0.512±0.004	23.7±3.3

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