

Response to Referees' Comments on Submission OS-2021-71 -
revision 2

*Impact of ADCP motion on structure function estimates of
turbulent kinetic energy dissipation rate*

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Our responses to the referees' comments on our submission are as follows:

Comments by Referee #1

1) In the opening paragraph of the introduction, the reference to Lueck 2016 is a non-peer reviewed report. Since the sentence is referring to microstructure profilers, a better reference may be the following review paper :

- Lueck, R. G., Wolk, F., & Yamazaki, H. (2002). Oceanic velocity microstructure measurements in the 20th century. *Journal of Oceanography*, 58(1), 153–174. <https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1015837020019>

I also think the authors would be amiss to neglect to mention the use of gliders for microstructure measurements. They do not require a surface vessel, but are still limited in duration in comparison to ADCP measurements (days to weeks). Some possible references include are:

- Fer, I., Peterson, A. K., & Ullgren, J. E. (2014). Microstructure measurements from an underwater glider in the turbulent Faroe Bank Channel overflow. *Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology*, 31(5), 1128–1150. <https://doi.org/10.1175/JTECH-D-13-00221.1>
- Scheifele, B., Waterman, S., Merckelbach, L., & Carpenter, J. R. (2018). Measuring the Dissipation Rate of Turbulent Kinetic Energy in Strongly Stratified, Low-Energy Environments: A Case Study From the Arctic Ocean. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 123(8), 5459–5480. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2017JC013731>
- Schultze, L. K. P., Merckelbach, L. M., & Carpenter, J. R. (2017). Turbulence and Mixing in a Shallow Shelf Sea From Underwater Gliders. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 122(11), 9092–9109. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017JC012872>

We have revised the opening paragraphs of section 1 to address both the specific points raised and to recognise other relevant work; see lines 20 – 39.

2) Figure 2: I really like the addition of this figure. If I'm interpreting it correctly, it suggests that the bias of order $1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W kg}^{-1}$ is comparable to the dissipation rate itself. I think this deserves a comment after line 151.

We are glad that the figure is helpful and have included additional text as suggested; see lines 158 – 159.

3) Typos:

- Line 53: "beams" should be "beam"

Corrected; see line 60.

- Line 147: you say "between 5 and 25 bins", but this isn't true in Figure 2 for all δr (e.g. $\delta r > 0.2$). It might be easier to say " r_{\max} varied between 0.5 m and 5 m"

The different markers in Figure 2 actually relate to varying δz rather than δr (although the two are directly related as $\delta r = \delta z / \cos \theta$), which may explain the reviewer's comments. However, we have amended the text as suggested to clarify the issue; see line 154.

- Line 382: "fromt he" should be "from the"

A frustratingly recurrent typo that I apologise for not spotting. Corrected; see line 392.

Comments by Referee #2

Typos

- line 48 : double "the"

Corrected; see line 55.

- line 54 : "by any shear" \rightarrow "of any shear"?

Corrected; see line 60.

- line 361: "section'3" \rightarrow "section 3"

Corrected; see line 371.

- line 382 : "fromt he" \rightarrow "from the"

Corrected; see line 392.