Roles of Urban Tree Canopy and Buildings in Urban Heat Island Effects: Parameterization and Preliminary Results

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Abstract

Urban heat island (UHI) effects can strengthen heat waves and air pollution episodes. In this study, the dampening impact of urban trees on the UHI during an extreme heat wave in the Washington, D.C., and Baltimore, Maryland, metropolitan area is examined by incorporating trees, soil, and grass into the coupled Weather Research and Forecasting model and an urban canopy model (WRF-UCM). By parameterizing the effects of these natural surfaces alongside roadways and buildings, the modified WRF-UCM is used to investigate how urban trees, soil, and grass dampen the UHI. The modified model was run with 50% tree cover over urban roads and a 10% decrease in the width of urban streets to make space for soil and grass alongside the roads and buildings. Results show that, averaged over all urban areas, the added vegetation decreases surface air temperature in urban street canyons by 4.1 K and road-surface and building-wall temperatures by 15.4 and 8.9 K, respectively, as a result of tree shading and evapotranspiration. These temperature changes propagate downwind and alter the temperature gradient associated with the Chesapeake Bay breeze and, therefore, alter the strength of the bay breeze. The impact of building height on the UHI shows that decreasing commercial building heights by 8 m and residential building heights by 2.5 m results in up to 0.4-K higher daytime surface and near-surface air temperatures because of less building shading and up to 1.2-K lower nighttime temperatures because of less longwave radiative trapping in urban street canyons.

1. Introduction

Urbanization can alter local climate and form an urban heat island (UHI; Landsberg 1981). Altering land use by creating impervious urban surfaces causes increased runoff, decreased evapotranspiration, increased solar radiation absorption, additional release of anthropogenic heat, and changes in surface friction, which results in changes in near-surface air temperature, humidity, wind speeds, low-level convergence/divergence, convection, and precipitation (e.g., Oke and Cleugh 1987; Bornstein and Lin 2000; Arnfield 2003). Previous studies show that UHIs strengthen as city size and building density increase (Oke 1973; Landsberg 1981; Atkinson 2003; Imhoff et al. 2010). In addition, a recent study reveals that upstream urbanization can magnify...
UHI effects under the favorable influence of larger-scale flow (Zhang et al. 2009, 2011). Therefore, a smaller city with upstream urbanization can have a larger UHI than a larger city with no upstream urbanization (Zhang et al. 2009).

A UHI can have ill effects on human health. The UHI can amplify summertime heat waves, leading to heat stress (Kunkel et al. 1996). The UHI can also aggravate air pollution. Air quality model results show air pollution worsens as temperature increases (Weaver et al. 2009; Banta et al. 1998; Cheng and Byun 2008; Jacob and Winner 2009), and observations confirm a correlation between high temperature and events with high air pollution (Bloomer et al. 2009, 2010; Tai et al. 2010).

Urban trees have the potential to dampen the UHI and decrease near-surface temperatures through direct shading and evaporative cooling. Observations show temperatures over a grassy surface were 0.7–1.3 K cooler under urban trees than adjacent areas with no tree cover (Souch and Souch 1993). Similar measurements revealed temperatures to be 2.2–3.3 K cooler under mature trees in a suburban neighborhood than in new developments with no trees (McGinn 1982). Planting trees near buildings can reduce summertime building-surface temperatures through shading and evapotranspiration, which can in turn reduce energy use for cooling building interiors (Heisler 1986) and therefore emissions from power plants. Specifically, trees planted near a building reduce building heat gain by 1) shading solar radiation incident on the building, 2) shading nearby surfaces that radiate heat toward the building, 3) reducing the outside air infiltration rate by lowering ambient wind speeds, and 4) lowering ambient temperatures through evapotranspiration (Akbari 2002). A summertime energy-use study in which eight 6-m-tall and eight 2.4-m-tall trees were planted around one house and then moved to another house showed that shading by these trees decreased summertime energy demand by as much as 30% (Akbari et al. 1997).

Planting trees in urban areas can also improve air quality by decreasing air temperatures and increasing the removal rate of pollutants from the atmosphere. A decrease in air temperature lowers the temperature-dependent emission rate of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from vegetation and temperature-dependent chemical reaction rates that produce tropospheric ozone (Taha 1995). Although increasing the amount of trees increases the amount of vegetation that emits VOCs that react with nitrogen oxides to form ozone, trees also filter air pollution. Most gaseous air pollutants that are removed by trees are taken up by leaf stomata, but some are removed by the surface of trees (Nowak et al. 2006).

Some particles that come into contact with trees are absorbed into the trees, but most remain on the surface of trees until they are resuspended into the atmosphere or are transported to the surface by precipitation or falling leaves or branches (Nowak et al. 2006). A regional meteorological and air quality modeling study revealed that planting trees that emit low amounts of VOCs decreased tropospheric ozone concentrations whereas planting trees that emit large amounts of VOCs degraded air quality in Los Angeles, California (Taha 1995). This study did not account for further reductions in ozone concentrations due to changes in energy demand and anthropogenic emissions from planting additional trees. A further modeling study shows that planting 20 million trees in the Los Angeles air basin reduces the mass of ozone in the mixed layer by 4.5% because of increased deposition of ozone and nitrogen dioxide (Taha et al. 1997).

A UHI in a coastal region may have the potential to alter a sea, lake, or bay breeze, thereby affecting air quality. A summertime sea breeze is driven by the temperature gradient between the warm land and cool water. Increasing or decreasing land surface temperature through urbanization or planting urban trees, respectively, will alter the temperature gradient and therefore modify the strength of the sea breeze. Previous studies have shown that a sea-breeze circulation can exacerbate air pollution levels (Boucouvala and Bornstein 2003; Evtyugina et al. 2006; Loughner et al. 2011). In Houston, high ozone episodes begin when the large-scale flow is offshore before a bay breeze develops (Banta et al. 2005; Darby 2005). As the bay breeze begins to strengthen, stagnant conditions develop, allowing ozone and its precursors to accumulate before being advected farther onshore as the bay breeze increases in intensity later in the afternoon (Banta et al. 2005; Darby 2005).

With the rapid increases in computing power in recent years, there have been a growing number of higher-resolution model simulations. Many studies show benefits of using high-resolution mesoscale models to resolve frontal structures, orographical flows, and vertical circulations induced by surface inhomogeneities [see Mass et al. (2002) for a review]. For urban settings at finescales (horizontal grid spacing less than 1 km), urban canopy models are used to simulate the meteorological conditions in the complex urban environment consisting of streets, buildings, and vegetation. Currently, the Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) model (Skamarock et al. 2008) can be run coupled with the “Noah” land surface model and an urban canopy model (Kusaka et al. 2001) (WRF-UCM). This urban canopy model does not include soil, grass, or trees in urban street canyons, however. Lee and Park (2008) developed a vegetated urban canopy
model and found that canyon vegetation has a large influence on surface temperatures and sensible and latent heat fluxes.

In the present study, the effects of soil, grass, and trees in urban street canyons are incorporated into version 3.1.1 of the WRF-UCM to examine how urban trees dampen the UHI and how sensitive the UHI is to urban building height. These objectives are accomplished by performing simulations down to a horizontal grid spacing of 0.5 km with a modified version of the Advanced Research WRF-UCM in which urban trees, soil, and grass are incorporated, following closely the work of Lee and Park (2008). The simulations cover the Washington–Baltimore metropolitan areas from 1200 UTC 7 July to 1200 UTC 10 July 2007. High air pollution was observed in the region under hot, sunny, stagnant conditions. A cold front passed through the area on 6 July 2007, followed by a short-wave trough approaching the Mid-Atlantic region (Zhang et al. 2011). The Baltimore, Maryland, UHI exhibited a 2-m temperature of 37.5°C, and downwind of Baltimore near-surface 8-h maximum ozone mixing ratios reached 125 ppb (the current air quality standard is 75 ppb) on 9 July. Previous work examining this modeling scenario explored the impact of upstream urbanization on the UHI (Zhang et al. 2009, 2011), characterized the air pollution event (Yegorova et al. 2008), and investigated the effects of fair-weather cumulus clouds and the Chesapeake Bay breeze on air quality (Loughner et al. 2011).

2. Model description and modification

In this section, we will describe the basic configuration of the coupled WRF-UCM model and then show how the tree effects are incorporated into the coupled model, followed by the description of sensitivity-experiment designs to study the impact of trees on UHI.

a. Model configuration

In the coupled Advanced Research WRF-UCM, the Noah land surface model calculates soil moisture and temperature, skin temperature, canopy water content, and the energy and water flux terms in the surface and water energy balance equations (Chen and Dudhia 2001) and the UCM improves the parameterization of physical processes involved in the exchange of heat, momentum, and water vapor in urban environments by including shadowing from buildings, reflection of shortwave and longwave radiation, wind profile information in the canopy layer, and a multilayer heat transfer equation for roof, wall, and road surfaces (Kusaka and Kimura 2004).

The WRF-UCM includes three categories of urban surfaces: commercial/industrial/transportation, high-intensity residential, and low-intensity residential. Each urban category consists of fractional coverage of urban land occupied by buildings and roads, with the remaining fraction as undeveloped land. Urban fraction is set to 95%, 90%, and 50% for grid cells labeled commercial/industrial/transportation, high-intensity residential, and low-intensity residential, respectively, for the model simulations described herein. The remaining land in grid cells classified as urban is considered to be undeveloped and is classified as U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) land-use type “cropland/grassland mosaic.” Surface heat and moisture fluxes are calculated in the UCM for urban streets and buildings and in the Noah land surface model for undeveloped urban land.

The coupled model is run at 13.5-, 4.5-, 1.5-, and 0.5-km horizontal grid spacings with \( x \), \( y \) dimensions of \( 181 \times 151, 244 \times 196, 280 \times 247, \) and \( 349 \times 349 \) grid cells, respectively (see Fig. 1 for the model domains). All of the domains use 32 layers in the vertical direction with 20 layers in the lowest 2 km. The North American Regional Reanalysis is used for the model initial and outermost lateral boundary conditions. The three categories of urban surfaces are defined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s National Land Cover Dataset for 2001. The urban areas in the 0.5-km domain are displayed in Fig. 2. The model physics schemes used include 1) a double-moment six-class microphysics scheme (Lim and Hong 2010), 2) the Mellor–Yamada–Janjić boundary layer parameterization (Janjić 1994), 3) the Noah land surface model (Chen and Dudhia 2001), and 4) an ensemble cumulus parameterization that advances the Grell–Devenyi scheme (Grell and Devenyi 2002) to allow subsidence in neighboring grid cells (Skamarock et al. 2008). The cumulus parameterization is only used for the 4.5- and 13.5-km domains.

b. Including trees in the UCM

The WRF-UCM was modified to investigate how urban trees impact the UHI effects. The WRF-UCM was tailored to include grass, soil, and trees in urban street canyons and trees in undeveloped land in urban grid cells. Urban vegetation coverage is described in Table 1. The urban tree leaf area index (LAI) is set to 3.31, the same as USGS land-use type “deciduous broadleaf forest” and in line with favorable urban trees found in the Mid-Atlantic region. Averaged LAsIs by individual tree species from a tree survey in New York City, New York, range from 0.68 for honey locust trees to 10.07 for northern white cedar trees (TreesNY and CENVYC 2002). Ideally, urban trees must be durable, must be able...
to thrive in an urban environment, must be low biogenic VOC emitters, and must have a large LAI to cause maximum shading, latent heat exchange, and pollutant deposition. A list of urban tree species from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (Chicago Botanic Garden 2011) was referenced to find trees that are suitable to live in an urban environment. Biogenic emissions of tree species from the Biogenic Emissions Inventory System (Vukovich and Pierce 2002) were referenced to find low-VOC emitters. LAIs from a New York City tree survey (TreesNY and CENYC 2002) were referenced to determine which trees have a large LAI. It was determined that ash and elm trees are preferred urban trees for the Washington and Baltimore metropolitan areas. Observed average LAI in New York City for ash and elm trees is 4.11 and 3.12, respectively (TreesNY and CENYC 2002). Urban-canyon tree height is set to 10 m, which is in line with observed ash and elm tree heights in New York City. Average and maximum tree heights in New York City are 11.84 and 19.50 m, respectively, for ash trees and 11.58 and 27.40 m for elm trees (TreesNY and CENYC 2002).

To increase the percentage tree cover in the undeveloped land from 0% to 50%, the undeveloped land is reclassified from USGS land-use type cropland/grassland mosaic to USGS land-use type “cropland/woodland mosaic.” A 50% tree cover over undeveloped land and urban streets results in 26.25%, 27.5%, and 37.5% tree cover over commercial/industrial/transportation, high-intensity residential, and low-intensity residential urban areas, respectively. Tree canopy cover in urban and metropolitan areas in the United States averages 27% and 33%, respectively (Dwyer and Nowak 2000). Surface heat and moisture fluxes are calculated with the Noah land surface model for undeveloped urban land and with the UCM for the urban buildings and street canyons.

The UCM was modified to account for fractional coverage of grass, soil, and tree canopies in the street canyons, including the increased momentum drag due to the tree canopy; the transmissivity of shortwave and longwave radiation through the tree canopy; tree shading on building roofs, building walls, and the ground; and additional shortwave radiative, longwave radiative, latent heat, and sensible heat fluxes due to the added trees, soil, and grass. The UCM was modified by blending a vegetated urban canopy model (Lee and Park 2008) with a single-layer urban canopy model (Kusaka et al. 2001; Kusaka and Kimura 2004), which is already coupled inside the WRF modeling system. Details on the blending of these two models are described in the appendix.

c. Experimental design

Three different WRF-UCM simulations were performed to achieve the above-mentioned objectives: 1) a base case; 2) a run with urban soil, grass, and trees; and 3) a scenario with shorter buildings. Hereinafter, these simulations are referred to as “no trees,” “trees,” and “no trees/shorter buildings.” Urban fraction and building and canyon dimensions for the three model simulations and three urban categories are displayed in Table 2. The no trees/shorter buildings simulation is performed to test the sensitivity of the UHI effects to building height.
3. Sensitivity simulations

Three nested-grid simulations (i.e., no trees, trees, and no trees/shorter buildings) with the finest grid spacing of 0.5 km are analyzed alongside observations to investigate the role of urban trees and building heights on the UHI. Averaged over 23 measurement sites within the 0.5-km-resolution domain, the near-surface (at height \( z = 2 \) m) temperatures for all three simulations are compared with temperature and wind velocity observations from the National Weather Service and the Maryland Department of the Environment. The observational sites include urban sites and sites that are downwind and upwind of urban areas. The model sites include the observational sites but are averages over a 0.5-km domain that may include a mixture of urban streets, buildings, and undeveloped land. Statistics of 2-m temperature comparisons between the model simulations and observations show that all three model simulations agree reasonably well with the observations (Table 3). There are noticeable differences among the simulations, however. The trees simulation consistently has lower surface temperatures than the no-trees simulation because of increased evapotranspiration and shading of roads and buildings. At the measurement sites, the surface temperature of the trees simulation is on average 0.3 K cooler than the no-trees simulation between 1200 UTC 8 July and 1200 UTC 10 July.

![Urban land use in the 0.5-km-horizontal-resolution domain](image)

**Table 1.** Specification of urban-canyon grass/soil fraction, urban-canyon tree canopy fraction, undeveloped-land tree canopy fraction, and tree cover fraction over total grid cells for the three urban categories [low-intensity residential (LI), high-intensity residential (HI), and commercial/industrial/transportation (C)] and the three simulations [no trees (NT), trees (T), and no trees/shorter buildings (NTSB)].

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trees/shorter buildings simulation has higher daytime temperatures but lower nighttime temperatures than the no-trees simulation. Averaged over all of the measurement sites, maximum differences between the no trees/shorter buildings and no-trees simulations peaked at 0.4 K during the day and 1.2 K during the night. Shorter buildings produce fewer shadows, thereby allowing more solar radiation to heat the building walls and roads. On the other hand, street canyons with shorter buildings trap less longwave radiation emitted from the surfaces, allowing the surface to cool more quickly during the nighttime.

At 2000 UTC (i.e., 1500 LST) 9 July 2007, the Chesapeake Bay breeze’s convergence zone was over Baltimore (Fig. 3), and at 2300 UTC (i.e., 1800 LST) it was between Washington and Baltimore (Fig. 4). The no trees/shorter buildings simulation is slightly warmer than the no-trees simulation. The maximum 2-m temperature difference between the no trees/shorter buildings and no-trees simulations in Washington is 0.6 K at 2000 UTC and 0.4 K at 2300 UTC 9 July (not shown). Even though this difference is small, it can be seen from Figs. 3 and 4 that the spatial extent of the highest temperatures in the region is largest in the no trees/shorter buildings simulation, followed by the no-trees and then the trees simulations.

The maximum difference between the no-trees- and trees-simulated 2-m temperature is 0.8 and 1.2 K at 2000 and 2300 UTC, respectively, in Washington and Baltimore. Differences in 2-m temperature between the no-trees and the trees simulations at 2000 (Fig. 5a) and 2300 UTC (Fig. 5b) show that the impact of planting trees in all urban areas in the domain is largest in Baltimore.

Urban trees are seen to affect the strength of the Chesapeake Bay breeze. Figures 5a and 5b show the change in temperature associated with trees at 2000 and 2300 UTC, respectively. The most striking feature is a thin line of warmer temperatures in the trees simulation than in the no-trees simulation running north–south between Washington and Baltimore. Northwest of Baltimore, this thin line switches sign, indicating cooler temperatures in the trees simulation. At 2300 UTC, the thin line shows temperatures of up to 2 K warmer in the trees simulation than in the no-trees simulation east and northeast of Washington but temperatures that are 2 K cooler northwest of Baltimore (Fig. 5b). This thin line is attributable to differences in the positioning of the Chesapeake Bay–breeze convergence zone. High temperatures resulting from the Washington UHI propagating downwind near the coastline of the Chesapeake Bay strengthen the temperature gradient along the Chesapeake Bay coastline and therefore strengthen the bay breeze. The addition of urban trees dampens the urban heat island, causing a weaker temperature gradient along the coastline and a weaker bay breeze that does not penetrate as far inland downwind of Washington. So, the thin line of warmer temperatures in the trees simulation shown in Figs. 5a, 5b, and 5d to the east and northeast of Washington can be attributed to a weaker bay breeze that does not push the cooler air originating over the water as far inland. On the other hand, once a bay breeze penetrates inland past an urban area with cool air originating over the water moving over the city, the UHI warms this cool air, which is being transported to the bay-breeze front. This warming of the cool air causes a weaker temperature gradient along the bay-breeze front, lessening the inland penetration of the bay breeze. The addition of trees to a coastal city, however, causes dampening of the UHI so that the amount of warming of the cool air moving over the city toward the inland bay-breeze front by the UHI is reduced. Therefore, for conditions in which a bay breeze penetrates past a coastal city, the addition of trees results in a stronger bay breeze that penetrates farther inland. So, the thin line of cooler temperatures in the trees simulation shown in Figs. 5a, 5b, and 5c to the northwest of Baltimore can be attributed to a stronger bay breeze that penetrates farther inland. As mentioned previously,

### Table 2. Specification of urban fraction, building height and depth, and urban-canyon width for the three urban categories and three simulations.

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### Table 3. Mean absolute error (MAE), mean bias error (MBE), and root-mean-square error (RMSE) of 2-m temperature from 0000 UTC 8 Jul through 1200 UTC 10 Jul 2007 for the three simulations calculated at 23 measurement sites within the 0.5-km horizontal domain. The observational locations include sites located in, downwind, and upwind of urban areas.

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the impact of planting trees in all urban areas in the domain is larger in Baltimore than in Washington. Since the bay breeze is stronger over and downwind of Baltimore in the trees simulation than in the no-trees simulation after the bay-breeze convergence zone passes through Baltimore, more air originating over the cool surface waters is transported to Baltimore. So, cooler temperatures over Baltimore in the trees simulation than in the no-trees simulation are attributable to a stronger bay breeze transporting cool air over Baltimore at a faster rate.

There are significant urban temperature differences on the subgrid scale. Figure 6 shows building-roof-, building-wall-, and road-surface temperatures as well as street-canyon air temperature averaged over all urban buildings, roads, and street canyons for the three simulations. The roof-surface temperatures vary little among the three simulations because the roofs for both the no-trees and no trees/shorter buildings simulations are not shaded and only the low-intensity-residential roofs in the trees simulations are partially shaded at low solar
zenith angles. The no trees/shorter buildings simulation’s maximum daytime building-wall- and road-surface temperatures and maximum canyon air temperature are 1.9, 2.4, and 1.5 K greater, respectively, than the no-trees simulation’s temperatures on 9 July because of more shading from the buildings. On the other hand, the no trees/shorter buildings simulation’s minimum nighttime building-wall- and road-surface temperatures and minimum canyon air temperature are 0.4, 0.6, and 0.6 K lower, respectively, than in the no-trees simulation’s temperatures between sunset on 8 July and sunrise on 9 July as a result of less longwave radiative trapping in the urban canyon. The trees simulation’s maximum building-wall- and road-surface temperatures and maximum canyon air temperature are 8.9, 15.4, and 4.1 K lower, respectively, than the no-trees simulation’s temperatures on 9 July because of tree shading and evapotranspiration. The trees simulation’s minimum wall- and road-surface temperatures and canyon air temperature are 3.1, 3.2, and 2.5 K lower, respectively, than the no-trees simulation’s temperatures during the night of 8 July.
4. Concluding remarks

In this study, the roles of urban trees and building height in UHI effects are investigated by performing two simulations with a modified version of the WRF-UCM: one with the inclusion of the parameterized effects of urban trees, soil, and grass and the other without those effects. Results show that urban areas with shorter buildings have a larger diurnal cycle. Shorter urban buildings cause higher surface and near-surface air temperatures during the daytime because of less building shading and cause lower temperatures at night as a result of less longwave radiative trapping in urban street canyons. In the model simulations, decreasing building size causes maximum daytime urban-canyon air temperature to increase by 1.5 K and minimum nighttime urban-canyon air temperature to decrease by 0.6 K. Urban trees result in lower surface and near-surface

Fig. 5. Difference in trees minus no-trees 2-m temperature simulations with a horizontal resolution of 0.5 km at (a) 2000 UTC (i.e., 1500 LST) and (b) 2300 UTC (i.e., 1800 LST) 9 Jul 2007. The areas in the rectangles in (b) that are northwest of Baltimore and between Washington and Baltimore are shown in detail in (c) and (d), respectively, for 2300 UTC, with 10-m wind velocities added.
air temperatures because of tree shading and evapotranspiration. The addition of trees in the simulations causes maximum daytime and minimum nighttime urban-canyon air temperatures to decrease by 4.1 and 2.5 K, respectively. Future investigations will look into how these temperature differences that result from varying building height and urban vegetation cover influence emissions, climate, and air quality.

Urban trees alter the strength of the Chesapeake Bay breeze by altering the temperature gradient near the coastline. Urban trees on the warm side of the Chesapeake Bay breeze dampen the strength of the breeze and therefore suppress the penetration of the bay breeze inland. The urban trees decrease the near-surface air temperature over the warm land and therefore decrease the temperature gradient between the warm air over land and relatively cool air over the water. For a scenario in which the bay breeze penetrates inland past Baltimore, however, it is found that additional urban trees in Baltimore increase the strength of the bay breeze. The addition of urban trees in Baltimore causes the temperature of the cool side of the bay breeze to decrease, resulting in a stronger temperature gradient and bay breeze. Because the bay breeze can have an impact on air quality, future research can examine how altering the bay breeze through the addition of urban trees can affect air quality.

Because urban areas in the WRF-UCM only include impervious surfaces, buildings, and roads, the WRF-UCM with trees can be used to simulate the meteorological conditions under more realistic urban land surface coverage. The National Land Cover dataset used in this study is from 2001. Keeping urban tree fraction and building height datasets up to date is essential for initializing the WRF-UCM with trees, given that the UHI is sensitive to these parameters.

WRF-UCM with trees can be used as a tool to investigate how vegetative land surface changes to urban areas affect many aspects of earth science. Results show that urban trees can lower surface and air temperatures in and downwind of cities and alter a bay breeze. Future studies will investigate how lower summertime building-surface temperatures due to an increase in urban trees can result in less energy demand for cooling buildings, will quantify the reduction in energy demand to a decrease in anthropogenic emissions, and will determine

![Figure 6](image-url)
the impact of urban trees on climate and air quality. The WRF-UCM with trees can be utilized to investigate how changes in urban trees, grass, and/or soil affect the hydrological cycle through changes in runoff, evapotranspiration, and even precipitation both in and downwind of cities.

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APPENDIX

Parameterization of Trees in the UCM

Energy storage and surface temperatures are calculated on the basis of the surface energy balance equation described in both Lee and Park (2008) and Kusaka et al. (2001). The UCM is coupled with the Noah land surface model to obtain the latent and sensible heat fluxes at the soil surface by passing the incident longwave and shortwave radiation at the soil surface. The sensible heat flux of the tree canopy and evapotranspiration flux, which include the moisture flux on tree leaves and transpiration from the root zone, are calculated following Lee and Park (2008). Transpiration from the root zone is a function of stomatal resistance, which is also obtained from the Noah land surface model. Wind speed below treetops is modified to account for the additional trees by using the method of Lee and Park (2008).

The longwave and shortwave radiation fluxes are calculated by blending a vegetated urban canopy model (Lee and Park 2008) and an equation for transmission of radiation through a tree canopy (Annandale et al. 2004; Campbell and Norman 1998; Norman and Welles 1983) with the single-layer urban canopy model (Kusaka et al. 2001; Kusaka and Kimura 2004), which is coupled within the WRF modeling system. For completeness, we review many of the equations used in the vegetated urban canopy model and the single-layer urban canopy model before we present the final blended longwave and shortwave radiation flux equations on the surfaces of buildings, roads, soil/grass, and trees to introduce the variables used in the final merged equations.

For trees taller than the adjacent buildings, the tree canopy is split into two layers: one above the building roof and another in the street canyon. The LAI above the street canyon is calculated by

\[
\text{LAI}_a = (h_f - h_b) \rho_l, \quad (A1)
\]

and the LAI in the street canyon is defined as

\[
\text{LAI}_c = h_b \rho_l, \quad (A2)
\]

where \(h_f\) and \(h_b\) are the tree and building heights, respectively. The density of the leaves is assumed to be invariant with height and is defined by

\[
\rho_l = \text{LAI}/h_f. \quad (A3)
\]

Table A1 lists all of the variables used to parameterize urban trees in the WRF-UCM.

The amount of radiation that can be transmitted through a tree canopy needs to be defined to compute the radiative budget. The transmissivity of radiation through a tree canopy from height \(z_1\) to \(z_2\) is computed by

\[
T(z_1, z_2) = \exp \left( \int_{z_1}^{z_2} -0.5 \rho_l \alpha \, dz \right), \quad (A4)
\]

where \(\rho_l\) is the leaf area density and \(\alpha\) represents the absorptivity for individual leaves (Annandale et al. 2004; Annandale et al. 2004; Campbell and Norman 1998; Norman and Welles 1983). A typical value of \(\alpha\) is 0.5 (Annandale et al. 2004) and is used here.

The direct solar radiation that reaches the surface of the leaves in the street canyon is

\[
S_i^{Dx} = S_i^{Dc} f_i \left[ 1 - T(h_c, h_{fc}) \right] \sin \theta_n + \left[ 1 - T(0, h_{fc}) (1 - \sin \theta_n) \right], \quad (A5)
\]

where \(S_i^{Dx}, S_i^{Dc}, h_c, \) and \(h_{fc}\) are the downward direct solar radiation that reaches the surface of leaves, downward direct solar radiation in the canyon, the height of the top of the tree in the canyon, and the average tree shaded height due to the buildings, respectively (Lee and Park 2008); here, \(\theta_n\) is the angle between the average canyon axis and the direction of the sun as described by Kusaka et al. (2001). The first and second terms on the rhs of Eq. (A5) describe the solar radiation that reaches building shaded and unshaded leaves, respectively. If the tree height is greater than the adjacent building height, then \(h_{fc}\) is set to the building height. The height of the shaded canopy is defined by

\[
h_c = h_{fc} - \frac{w}{2 \tan \theta \sin \theta_n}, \quad (A6)
\]

where \(w\) is the width of the ground between the buildings and \(\theta\) is the solar zenith angle. If \(h_c\) is greater than \(h_{fc}\),
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then \( h_c \) is set to \( h_{\infty} \). The direct solar radiation absorbed by the leaves is

\[
S_{\text{D}}^{l} = \frac{s_{l}^{D}}{l} (1 - \alpha_{l}), \tag{A7}
\]

and the direct solar radiation reaching the surface of the wall, ground, and grass/soil is

\[
S_{w}^{D} = \left( S_{l}^{D} - S_{l}^{D_{w}} \right) \frac{l_{\text{shadow}}}{2 l_{\text{height}}}, \tag{A8}
\]

\[
S_{\text{rd}}^{D} = f_{\text{rd}} \left( S_{c}^{D} - S_{l}^{D_{e}} \right) \frac{l_{\text{ground}} - l_{\text{shadow}}}{l_{\text{ground}}}, \tag{A9}
\]

\[
S_{s}^{D} = f_{s} \left( S_{c}^{D} - S_{l}^{D_{e}} \right) \frac{l_{\text{ground}} - l_{\text{shadow}}}{l_{\text{ground}}}, \tag{A10}
\]

where \( f_{\text{rd}} \) and \( f_{s} \) define the fraction of the ground that is road and grass/soil, respectively, and \( l_{\text{shadow}}, l_{\text{height}}, \) and \( l_{\text{ground}} \) are the normalized shadow length, normalized building height, and normalized street-canyon width, respectively, as defined by Kusaka et al. (2001). The solar radiation absorbed by the leaves is a function of the leaf aspect ratio \( \sigma_{l} \), which is defined as

\[
\sigma_{l} = \text{LAI}^* f_{l}, \tag{A11}
\]

where the effective leaf area index is

\[
\text{LAI}^* = 2.5 \left[ 1 - \exp(-0.4 \text{LAI}) \right], \tag{A12}
\]

as described by Lee and Park (2008).

The indirect solar radiation reaching the surface of the leaves if buildings cause no shade is defined by

\[
S_{l}^{\text{i}} = S_{c}^{\text{i}} f_{l} \left[ 1 - T(0, h_{f}) \right], \tag{A13}
\]

where \( S_{c}^{\text{i}} \) is the downward indirect solar radiation at the top of the street canyon (i.e., roof level) (Lee and Park 2008).

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The indirect solar radiation flux absorbed by the leaves is (Lee and Park 2008)

\[ S^\prime_l = \frac{S_l^\prime F_{l \leftrightarrow a} (1 - \alpha_l)}{\sigma_l} \],

(A14)

and the indirect solar radiation incident on the surfaces of the wall, road, and soil is (Lee and Park 2008)

\[ S^\prime_w = F_{w \leftrightarrow a} (S^\prime_l - S^\prime_w), \quad \text{(A15)} \]
\[ S^\prime_{td} = f_{td} F_{g \leftrightarrow a} (S^\prime_l - S^\prime_w), \quad \text{and} \]
\[ S^\prime_t = f_s F_{g \leftrightarrow a} (S^\prime_l - S^\prime_w), \quad \text{(A17)} \]

where \( F_{w \leftrightarrow a} \) and \( F_{g \leftrightarrow a} \) are the sky view factors at the center of the wall and ground and \( F_{l \leftrightarrow a} \) is the sky view factor of the leaves at one-half of the height of the tree. The sky view factors are computed with the same algorithm as shown in Kusaka et al. (2001).

The mean radiative transmissivities due to the tree canopy within the street canyon are calculated by (Lee and Park 2008)

\[ \tau_{wa} = 1 - f_l \left[ 1 - T \left( \frac{3}{4} h_b, h_{lc} \right) \right], \quad \text{(A18)} \]
\[ \tau_{ww} = 1 - f_l \left[ 1 - T \left( \frac{1}{4} h_b, \frac{3}{4} h_b \right) \right], \quad \text{(A19)} \]

\[ S^\prime_l = S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d (1 - \alpha_l) \left( 1 - \tau_{wa} \right) \alpha_{rd} (S^\prime_{td} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wg}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wa}) \alpha_w (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wg}) \alpha_{w} (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wa}) \alpha_w (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_{rg} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{a \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{a \leftrightarrow g} \],

(A25)

where subscripts \( w, g, \) and \( a \) represent the wall, ground, and atmosphere above the canopy, respectively, and \( F \) is the view factor, which is calculated in the UCM as given in Kusaka et al. (2001).

Longwave radiation is emitted isotropically from the tree canopy. Some of the radiation emitted from the tree leaves reaches the surface of other leaves within the tree canopy while the remainder reaches the ground, building walls, or atmosphere above the street canyon. The longwave radiation emitted from tree leaves that reaches the surfaces of other leaves, the atmosphere above the canyon, building walls, and the ground is defined as in Lee and Park (2008):

\[ L^\prime_l = L^\prime_l f_l \left[ 1 - T (0, h_{lc}) \right], \quad \text{(A26)} \]
\[ L^\prime_w = 0.5 \sigma_l (L^\prime_l - L^\prime_t) F_{l \leftrightarrow a}, \quad \text{(A27)} \]
\[ L^\prime_t = \frac{w}{2h_b} 0.5 \sigma_l (L^\prime_l - L^\prime_t) (2 - F_{l \leftrightarrow a} - F_{l \leftrightarrow g}), \quad \text{and} \]
\[ \text{(A28)} \]

where \( \tau_{wa}, \tau_{ww}, \tau_{wg}, \) and \( \tau_{ga} \) represent the respective transmissivities between the wall and atmosphere above the canyon, between two building walls, between wall and ground, and between ground and atmosphere above the canyon. The UCM allows for solar radiation to be reflected twice within the urban canopy. The solar radiation absorbed by the building wall, road, soil/grass, and tree leaves is defined, respectively, as

\[ S^\prime_w = (1 - \alpha_w) [S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d + \tau_{wa} \alpha_{rd} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wg}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wa}) \alpha_w (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_{rg} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{a \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{a \leftrightarrow g}], \quad \text{(A22)} \]
\[ S^\prime_{td} = (1 - \alpha_{rd}) [S^\prime_{td} + S^\prime_d + \tau_{wg} \alpha_{rd} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{g \leftrightarrow w} + (1 - \tau_{wa}) \alpha_w (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{g \leftrightarrow w} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_{rg} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{a \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{a \leftrightarrow g}], \quad \text{(A23)} \]
\[ S^\prime_t = (1 - \alpha_s) [S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d + \tau_{wa} \alpha_{rd} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wg}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{wa}) \alpha_w (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{w \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_{rg} (S^\prime_{rd} + S^\prime_{ rd}) F_{a \leftrightarrow g} + (1 - \tau_{ga}) \alpha_s (S^\prime_l + S^\prime_d) F_{a \leftrightarrow g}] \],

(A24)
The net longwave radiation at the surface of the building walls, roads, grass/soil, and trees is obtained by incorporating the downwelling atmospheric longwave radiation; longwave radiation emitted by building walls and roofs, roads, grass/soil, and trees; and multiple reflections in the urban street canyon. The net longwave radiation at the surface of the wall is

\[
L^l_{wd} = f_{rd}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-w}L^{cl}_{g-w} + \tau_{wg}f_{rd}F_{w-g}L^{cl}_{w-g} \right] + f_{s}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-w}L^{cl}_{g-w} \right] + \tau_{wg}f_{rd}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-w}L^{cl}_{g-w} \right] + \tau_{wg}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-w}L^{cl}_{g-w} \right],
\]

(A30)

with \(e_l\) and \(T_l\) being the emissivity and temperature of the leaves, respectively. The UCM allows for longwave radiation to be reflected twice within the urban canopy.

\[
L^c_{w} = e_{w}v^{c}\left[ \tau_{wa}F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} + f_{3}v^{c}\left[ \tau_{wa}F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} \right] + f_{1}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} + f_{s}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} \right],
\]

(A31)

Here, \(L^{cl}_{w}\) is the net longwave radiation entering the street canyon from aloft. The net longwave radiation at the surface of the road is

\[
L^l_{rd} = f_{rd}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-w}L^{cl}_{g-w} + \tau_{wg}f_{rd}F_{w-g}L^{cl}_{w-g} + f_{s}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{wa}F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} \right] + f_{1}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} + f_{s}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-w}L^{cl}_{w-w} \right],
\]

(A32)

The net longwave radiation at the surface of the grass/soil is

\[
L^l_{s} = f_{s}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-s}L^{cl}_{g-s} + \tau_{wg}f_{rd}F_{w-s}L^{cl}_{w-s} + f_{1}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-s}L^{cl}_{w-s} + f_{s}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-s}L^{cl}_{w-s} \right] + \tau_{wg}f_{rd}\left[ \tau_{wa}F_{w-s}L^{cl}_{w-s} \right] + \tau_{wg}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-s}L^{cl}_{g-s} \right] + \tau_{wg}\left[ \tau_{wa}F_{w-s}L^{cl}_{w-s} \right],
\]

(A33)

The net longwave radiation on the surface of leaves is

\[
L^l_{l} = L^{l}_{l2} + L^{l}_{l2} + L^{l}_{l2} + L^{l}_{l2} - L^{l}_{l},
\]

(A34)

where \(L^{l}_{l2}\) represents the downwelling longwave radiation from the atmosphere above the street canyon that is absorbed by the tree canopy and \(L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}\), and \(L^{l}_{l2}\) represent the longwave radiation emitted from the tree canopy, roads, soil, and building walls, respectively, that is absorbed by the tree canopy. Quantities \(L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}, L^{l}_{l2}\), and \(L^{l}_{l2}\) take into account multiple reflections from the building walls, road, and soil in the urban street canyon and are calculated as

\[
L^{l}_{l2} = e_{l}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-a}L^{cl}_{g-a} + f_{s}v^{l}\left[ \tau_{ga}F_{g-a}L^{cl}_{g-a} \right] + f_{1}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-a}L^{cl}_{w-a} + f_{s}\left( 1 - e_{w} \right)F_{w-a}L^{cl}_{w-a} \right],
\]

(A35)
If trees are taller than the adjacent buildings, then the heat and moisture fluxes are calculated for the portion of the tree canopy above the roof height and tree shading of the roof is considered. The direct solar radiation and indirect solar radiation that reaches the leaves above the roof height are

\[
S_{Ia}^{D^*} = \frac{S_{Ia}^D (1 - \alpha_I)}{\sigma_I} \quad \text{and} \quad (A40)
\]

\[
S_{Ia}^{I} = \frac{S_{Ia}^D (1 - \alpha_I)}{\sigma_I} \quad \text{and} \quad (A43)
\]

Solar radiation is also transmitted through the sides of the tree canopy above the roof. The respective direct solar radiation and indirect solar radiation absorbed through the side of the tree canopy are

\[
S_{Ia,s}^{D^*} = \frac{l_{shadow,roof} S_{la}^{D^*} (1 - \alpha_I)}{h_{fa}} \quad \text{and} \quad (A44)
\]
where \( l_{\text{shadow, roof}} \) and \( F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow a} \) are the normalized shadow on the roof and the view factor between the side of the tree canopy and the atmosphere above, respectively. The amount of solar radiation reflected from the roof and absorbed by the tree canopy is

\[
S_{\text{la, side}}^{l} = \frac{S_{\text{la}}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow a}}{(1 - \alpha_{l})a_{l}}, \quad (A46)
\]

\[
S_{\text{la, t}} = \frac{S_{\text{la}}^{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})] f_{l} \sigma_{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow r}}{(1 - \alpha_{l})a_{l}}, \quad (A46)
\]

where \( S_{\text{la}}^{l} \), \( \alpha_{l} \), and \( F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow r} \) are the solar radiation absorbed by the roof, albedo of the roof, and view factor between the roof and the side of the tree canopy, respectively. So, the solar radiative flux on the tree canopy above the rooftop is

\[
S_{\text{la}} = S_{\text{la}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, side}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, side}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, t}}. \quad (A47)
\]

The solar radiative flux on the roof is

\[
S_{\text{la}}^{l} = \frac{l_{\text{root}} - l_{\text{shadow, root}} (1 - \alpha_{l})S_{a}^{D}}{l_{\text{root}}} + \left(1 - \frac{l_{\text{root}} - l_{\text{shadow, root}}}{l_{\text{root}}}\right)(1 - \alpha_{l})S_{a}^{D} \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\}
\]

\[
+ S_{a}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})(F_{r \rightarrow a} + S_{a}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})(1 - F_{r \rightarrow a}) \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\} \}, \quad (A48)
\]

\[
\]

where \( h_{a \rightarrow \text{direct}} \) is the distance of the path of the direct radiation through the tree canopy from the center of the shadow on the roof \( (l_{\text{shadow, root}}/2) \). The first term in Eq. (A48) is the amount of direct solar radiation that reaches the roof with no obstructions and is absorbed by the roof, the second term represents the transmitted direct solar radiation through the tree absorbed by the roof, the third term is the indirect solar radiation that reaches the roof with no obstructions and is absorbed by the roof, and the fourth term is the indirect solar radiation transmitted through the tree canopy that is absorbed by the roof.

When the trees are taller than the building height, the amount of longwave radiation entering the street canyon is

\[
L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}} = L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c} \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\} + L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c}, \quad (A49)
\]

where \( L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c} \) is the amount of longwave radiation emitted from the tree canopy above the rooftop that enters the street canyon, defined by

\[
L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c} = 0.5 \sigma_{l}(L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}} - L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c}), \quad (A50)
\]

where \( L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}} \) is emitted from the tree canopy above the roof defined by

\[
L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}} = \epsilon_{l} \sigma_{l} T_{\text{la}}^{3}, \quad (A51)
\]

\[
\]

and \( L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c} \) is the amount of longwave radiation that is emitted from the tree that reaches the surface of other tree leaves above the roof height:

\[
L_{\text{la}_{\text{t}}}^{c} = \frac{S_{\text{la}}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow a}}{(1 - \alpha_{l})a_{l}}, \quad (A46)
\]

where \( S_{\text{la}}^{l} \), \( \alpha_{l} \), and \( F_{\text{la, side} \rightarrow r} \) are the solar radiation absorbed by the roof, albedo of the roof, and view factor between the roof and the side of the tree canopy, respectively. So, the solar radiative flux on the tree canopy above the rooftop is

\[
S_{\text{la}} = S_{\text{la}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, side}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, side}}^{l} + S_{\text{la, t}}. \quad (A47)
\]

The solar radiative flux on the roof is

\[
S_{\text{la}}^{l} = \frac{l_{\text{root}} - l_{\text{shadow, root}} (1 - \alpha_{l})S_{a}^{D}}{l_{\text{root}}} + \left(1 - \frac{l_{\text{root}} - l_{\text{shadow, root}}}{l_{\text{root}}}\right)(1 - \alpha_{l})S_{a}^{D} \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\}
\]

\[
+ S_{a}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})(F_{r \rightarrow a} + S_{a}^{l} (1 - \alpha_{l})(1 - F_{r \rightarrow a}) \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\} \}, \quad (A48)
\]

where \( T_{\text{la}} \) is the temperature of the leaves above the roof.

The longwave radiation flux when the trees are taller than the adjacent buildings is defined as

\[
L_{\text{ra}}^{c} = \epsilon_{r} (L_{\text{ra}}^{c} F_{r \rightarrow a}^{a} + L_{\text{ra}}^{c} (1 - F_{r \rightarrow a}^{a}) \{1 - f_{l} [1 - T(0, h_{\text{la}})]\})
\]

\[
- \sigma T_{\text{ra}}^{3} + 0.25 \frac{w}{h_{\text{la}}} \sigma_{l}(L_{\text{la}} - L_{\text{la}}^{c})
\]

\[
\times (2 - F_{l \rightarrow a} - F_{l \rightarrow a}^{a})F_{r \rightarrow a}^{c}, \quad (A53)
\]

where the first term is the amount of longwave radiation from the atmosphere that is not obstructed by the tree canopy and is absorbed by the roof, the second term is the amount of longwave radiation from aloft that is transmitted through the tree canopy and absorbed by the roof, the third term is the amount of longwave radiation emitted by the roof, and the fourth term is the amount of radiation that is emitted by the tree canopy and absorbed by the roof.

The longwave radiation flux in the tree canopy above the rooftop is the sum of the amount of radiation that is emitted from the road, grass/soil, building walls, building roof, tree canopy in and above the canyon, and atmosphere above the trees that is captured by the tree leaves minus the amount of radiation emitted from the tree canopy above rooftops, which is defined as
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