

General comments:

Urban heat storage ( $\Delta Q_S$ ) is a large component of the urban surface energy balance, and it can be up to 30-40% of net radiation. This paper presents a parameterized approach of Objective Hysteresis Model (OHM) coefficients, based on 1-D advection-conduction equation. That's an improvement comparing to original OHM. In addition, it also gives sensitivity analysis and model evaluation. It will be very important for urban surface energy balance study. I recommend acceptance after minor revision.

Specific comments:

(1) Page 1, line 14, it is recommended describing OHM limitation more clearly.

(2) Please check Eq.27 in page 7. Dose it maybe

$$a_{3F} = -a_1 \frac{f_T}{f} (1 - \alpha) \overline{K}_{\downarrow} - a_1 Q_F \quad ?$$

Based on Eq.22,  $\Delta Q_S = a_1(Q^* + Q_F) + a_2 \frac{\partial(Q^* + Q_F)}{\partial t} + a_{3F}$  when  $Q_F$  is

included. With the assumption that  $Q_F$  is diurnal invariant,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta Q_S &= a_1(Q^* + Q_F) + a_2 \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial t} + a_{3F} \\ &= a_1 Q^* + a_2 \frac{\partial Q^*}{\partial t} + a_1 Q_F + a_{3F} \end{aligned}$$

So  $a_3 = a_1 Q_F + a_{3F}$ , and  $a_{3F} = a_3 - a_1 Q_F = -a_1 \frac{f_T}{f} (1 - \alpha) \overline{K}_{\downarrow} - a_1 Q_F$ .

(3) In page 10, a greater in incoming solar radiation ( $K_{\downarrow}$ ) will lead to smaller  $\Delta Q_s$ , why? In general, net radiation mostly depends on  $K_{\downarrow}$ , and the larger  $K_{\downarrow}$ , the larger net radiation which will lead to larger  $\Delta Q_s$ .

(4) In Figure 5, the blue solid line (URB) is large differently from other lines in (a) and (c). Based on Figure 5a, the  $\Delta Q_s$  can be up to 70% of net radiation, it's too large to believe. In addition, there's also large difference between simulation and observation in Figure 5a, 5b. Please explain them.