Automotive Particulate Matter and Gaseous Emission Factors from On-Road Measurement in Las Vegas, NV

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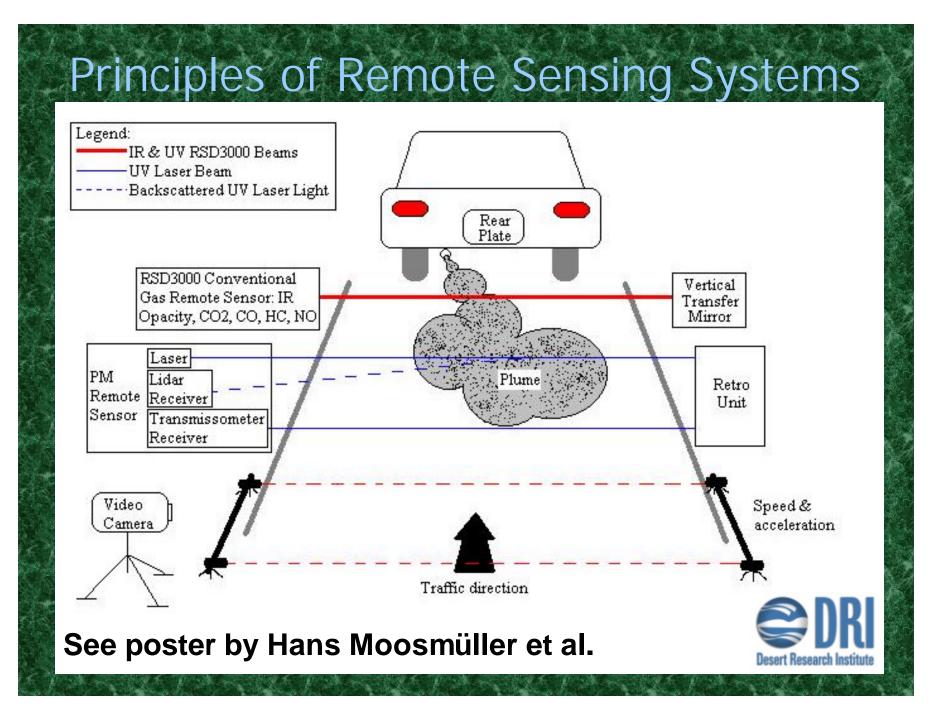


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Outline

- Vehicle Emission Remote Sensing Systems:
 -Commercial gaseous remote sensor
 -Newly developed PM remote sensor
 Las Vegas, NV experiment
 Results
- Conclusions





Advantages and Limitations of Remote Sensing

Advantages:

- Large amount of vehicles measured (good fleet representation).
- Excellent vehicle selectivity. Each vehicle identified by rear plate. Fuel type, vehicle weight category, model year, origination are known.
- Low cost per vehicle, non invasive.

Limitations:

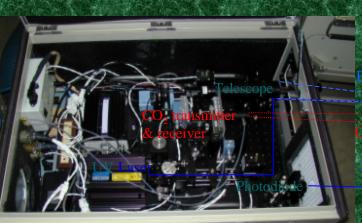
- Instantaneous emission (0.5 sec.).
- Limited operating conditions.
- Limited measurements techniques.



PM & Gaseous Remote Sensing System



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Traffic

UV Laser Beam (266 nm) IR Beam (4.3 mm CO₂ absorption band & 3.9 mm reference)

Fuel Based Emission Factors Calculation • Pollutant column density: $\rho_{c P}$ • Emission factor [grams_P/kg_{fuel}]: \mathbf{r}_{c_P} $\boldsymbol{r}_{c CO2}$ $EF_{P} = CMF_{fuel}$ $CMF_{CO2} + \left(CMF_{CO} \frac{\boldsymbol{r}_{c_CO}}{\boldsymbol{r}_{c_CO2}} + CMF_{HC} \frac{\boldsymbol{r}_{c_HC}}{\boldsymbol{r}_{c_CO2}}\right)$

Where CMF = carbon mass fraction

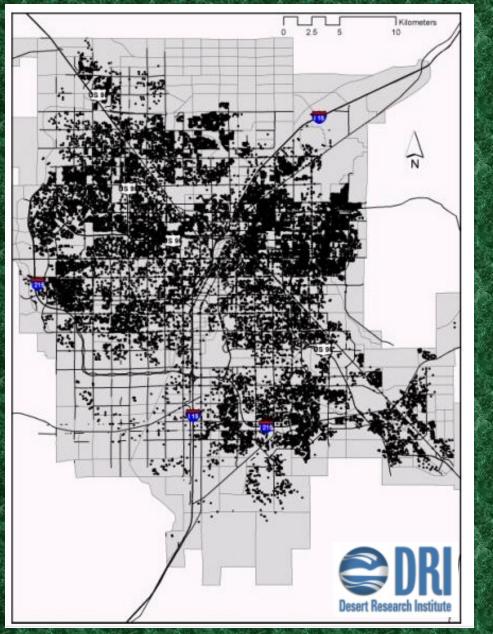


Current PM Remote Sensor Limitations:

Data acquisition system too slow to fully take advantage of the signal available.
No overlap between CO₂ and PM beams.
Absence of built-in CO, HC and NO remote sensors.

Las Vegas Experiment

Black dots: location of registered ownership for remotely sensed light duty gasoline vehicles in Clark County (2000-2002).



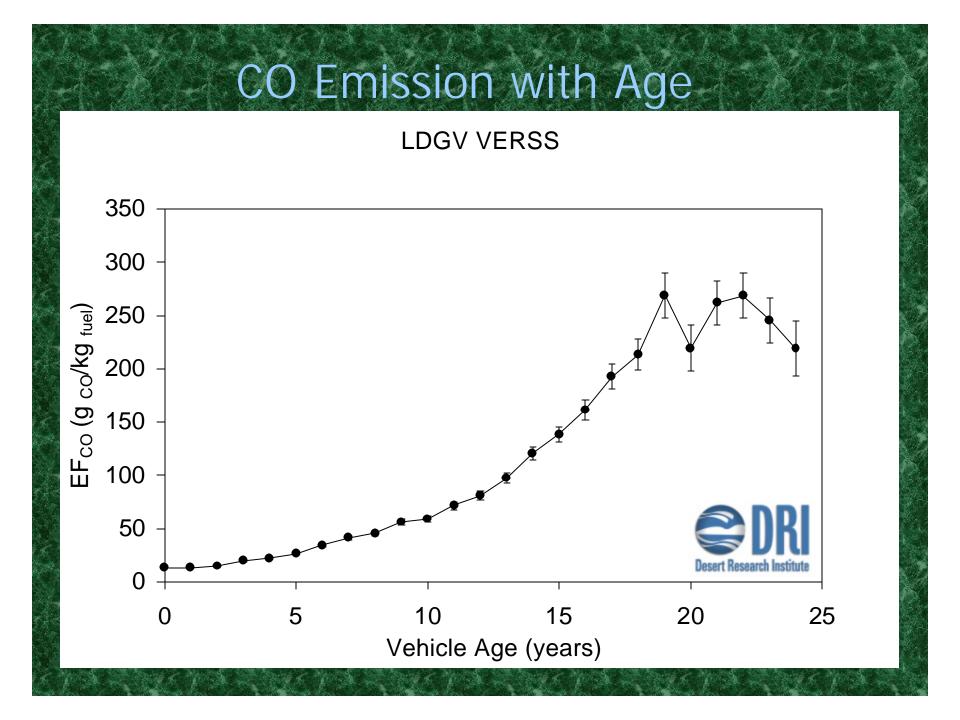
Number of Measured Vehicles in Las Vegas, NV

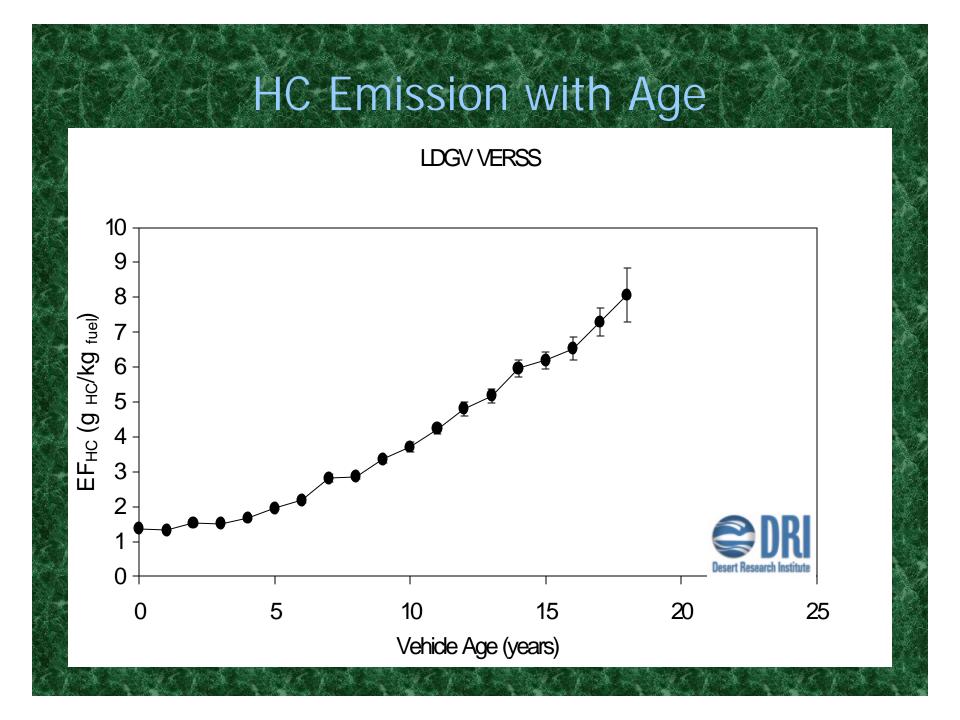
	Number of Matched License	СО	НС	NO	PM
	Plates With Valid CO ₂				
2000	22152	22130	21831	21155	Not measured
2001	10188	10030	9914	9660	6047
2002	9561	9409	9249	8716	8768
Detection limits in g_{Pollutant}/Kg_{Fuel}		5	1	1	0.3

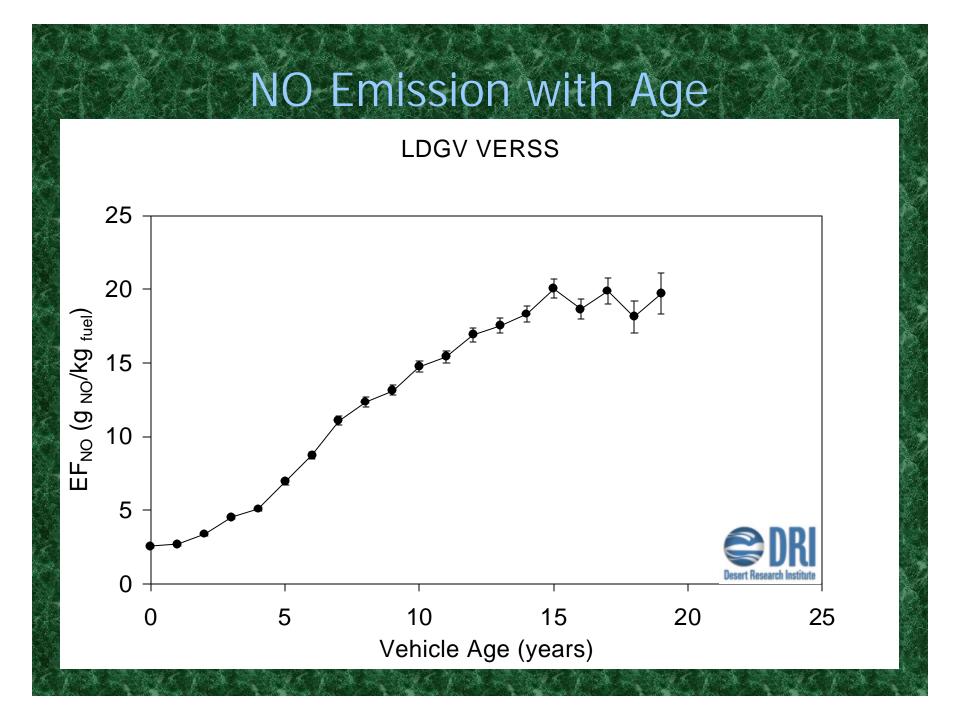
Fleet Average Emissions

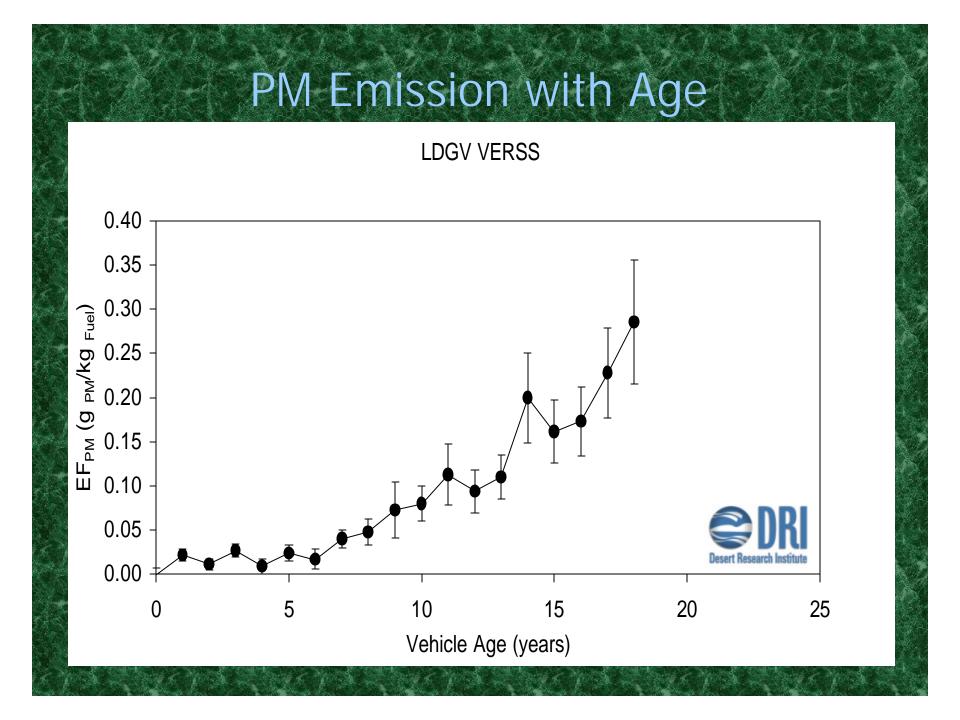


Vehicle Type	CO (g _{CO} /Kg _{Fuel})	HC (g _{HC} /Kg _{Fuel})	NO (g _{NO} /Kg _{Fuel})	PM (g _{PM} /Kg _{Fuel})
LDGV	49	2.8	8.8	0.06
LDDV	19	2.3	15.2	1.6
HDGV	56	2.6	10.3	0.05
HDDV	10	1.6	19.9	1.5

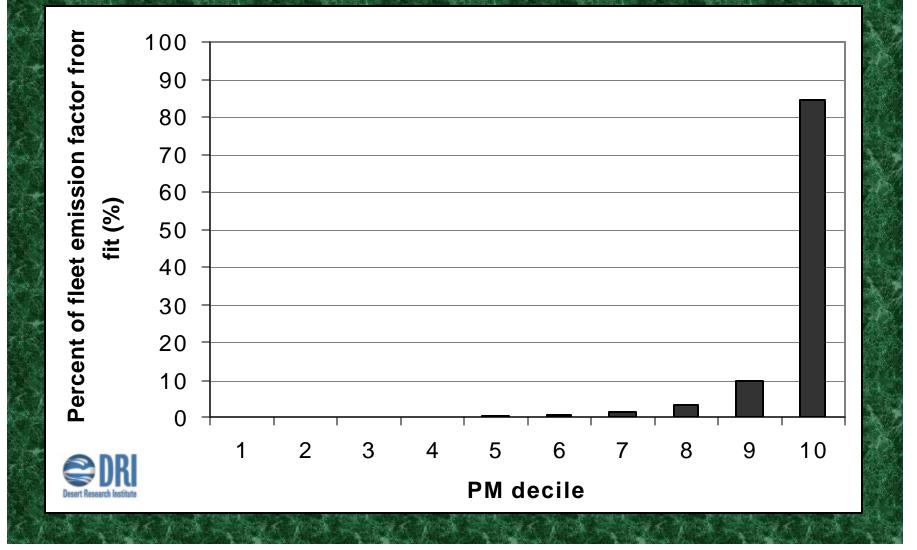








Deciles Plot of Fitted Fleet Emission Distribution



Distributions Summary



Measure type	Distributions: Noise Emission	Contribution to fleet emission factor by highest 10% of emitters From fit
UV Backscattering PM	DE	> 82 %
	W	
UV Transmission PM	DE	> 85 %
	W	
CO	DE	75 %
	G	
НС	DE	49 %
	W	
NO	DE	47 %
	G	

Overlap Between Different Pollutants



	Number Of Vehicles	Fraction Of Measured Fleet
Total number of vehicles	15237	
No high emitters in any category	11024	72.35%
High emitters in one category		Total: 18.20 %
СО	618	4.06%
НС	365	2.40%
NO	899	5.90%
PM	891	5.85%
High emitters in two categories		Total: 6.83 %
CO & HC	474	3.11%
CO & NO	53	0.35%
CO & PM	67	0.44%
HC & NO	210	1.38%
HC & PM	84	0.55%
NO & PM	151	0.99%
High emitters in three categories		Total: 2.36 %
CO & HC & NO	70	0.46%
CO & HC & PM	190	1.25%
CO & NO & PM	10	0.07%
HC & NO & PM	89	0.58%
Highest emitters in all four categories	42	0.28 %

Future Improvements

- Increase signal to noise ratio
 - Higher acquisition rate
 - Larger collection system
 - Increased detector sensitivity
 - Increased laser power
- Built-in gaseous detection and improved collinearity
- On-road comparison with other measurement techniques



Conclusions



- PM remote sensor was used to determine onroad fleet average PM emissions.
- PM emissions increase with vehicle age.
- PM emission distribution is highly skewed with more than 80% of the total PM fleet emission factor due to only 10% of highest emitters.
- Low overlap was found between highest emitters groups for different pollutants.
- Current PM LIDAR system has limited sensitivity for individual low emitters, but can detect individual gross PM polluters.
- Software and hardware redesign is in progress and will greatly increase the signal to noise ratio.

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