

EVE 402/502

Air Pollution Generation and Control

1. Introduction to Particulate Matter
2. Real (old) data in Atlanta

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Background

- *What is $PM_{2.5}$?*
 - Solid (or liquid) particles with aerodynamic diameters $< 2.5 \mu\text{m}$
- *Why is the $2.5 \mu\text{m}$ distinction used?*
 - Fine particles: insufficient inertia to deposit in nasal passages (imbed deep within lungs)
 - Toxicity: particles of this size contain chemicals that may be toxic

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Background

- *What are the sources of $PM_{2.5}$?*
 - Anthropogenic
 - Primary: IC engines, fireplaces, meat-cooking operations, industrial processes
 - Secondary: atmospheric conversions of SO_2 and NO_x to SO_4^{2-} and NO_3^- , respectively
 - Biogenic
 - Primary: volcanoes, soil erosion, sea spray
 - Secondary: atmospheric conversion of organic gases to particulate organic carbon

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Background

- *What are the effects of $PM_{2.5}$?*
 - Environmental impacts: visibility degradation, natural water acidification
 - Human health impacts
 - Morbidity (decreased lung function, increased respiratory hospitalizations, school absenteeism)
 - Mortality (cancer, cardiovascular disease)

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Background

- *What are the current rules for $PM_{2.5}$?*
 - USEPA National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)
 - $35 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ 24-hr average, 98th percentile (3 yr avg.)
 - $12 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ annual mean, averaged over 3 years
 - NAAQS require monitoring (attainment status may affect federal funding)
 - Constitutionality of EPA's role in setting NAAQS has been debated (and debated) in US courts

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Problem Identification and Research Objectives

- ASACA goal: *Fully characterize $PM_{2.5}$ spatially and temporally over one year*
- Specific objectives of this work:
 - Develop an urban $PM_{2.5}$ monitoring network
 - Describe temporal and spatial distributions of $PM_{2.5}$ (assess homogeneity)
 - Develop statistical models for estimating $PM_{2.5}$ levels
 - Estimate secondary organic aerosol formation
 - Source ID; Increase power of health studies

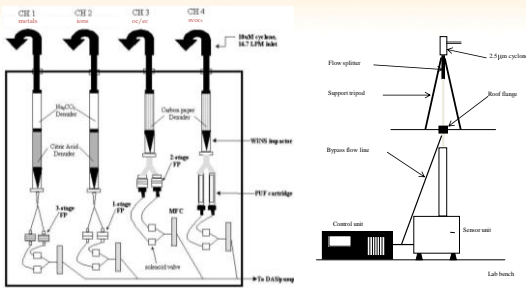
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Sampling Methods

- Particulate Composition Monitor (PCM)
 - Manual, filter-based multi-channel system
 - 24-hr integrated samples: ions, metals, carbon-containing species
- TEOM®
 - Commercially available, continuous mass
 - Retrofit with Nafion® dryer to minimize volatilization

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Schematics of PCM and TEOM



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Analytical Methods

- Ion chromatography (SO_4^{2-} , NO_3^- , NH_4^+)
 - Species extracted from nylon filters using 30 ml ultrapure water and 1 ml CH_3OH
 - 97% extraction efficiency (Russel and Cass, 1984)
- Thermal-optical transmittance (OC/EC)
 - OC and EC volatilized in two stages
 - Oxidation to CO_2 , reduction to CH_4 , FID quant.
 - “Split point” determined by laser transmittance
- ICP-AES (crustal and trace metals)
 - Species extracted from teflon filters in acid solution
 - Extract “nebulized” into Ar plasma ($10,000^\circ\text{C}$); valence e- excited; characteristic photon emitted

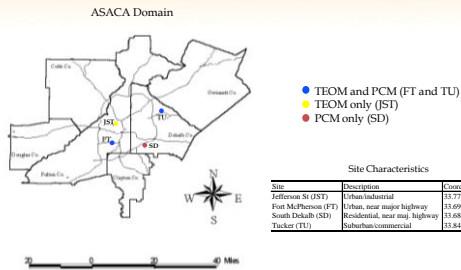
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Uncertainties

- Flow meas. and control, < 10%
 - 16.7±1.5 lpm (Temp, Pres. fluctuations)
- Water content (mass meas.), < 5%
 - Nafion dryer for TEOM (RH ≈ 20%)
 - 24-hr equilibration for FRM
- Artifacts
 - Volatilization can be high in summer; refrigeration
 - Adsorption limited by denuders, filter material
- Extraction and analytical instruments, 5-10%
 - Blanks, repeats
- Average uncertainty: 10-15% per measurement

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Monitoring Locations and Site Characteristics



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Temporal Analysis of PM_{2.5} Mass Data

- Summary statistics

Site	Ann. Mean ± SD	Spr. Mean	Sum. Mean	Aut. Mean	Win. Mean	Max 1-hr	Max 24-hr
	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]	[ug/m ³]
JST	21.0 ± 13.8	14.1	28.1	24.3	17.7	97.3	48.6
FT	19.3 ± 11.4	Inc. data	26.8	19.8	14.7	90	45.1
TU	21.2 ± 11.9	18.1	30.8	22.6	16.5	87.9	51.5
SD	19.9 ± 9.7	18.1	27.4	20.5	15	--	140*

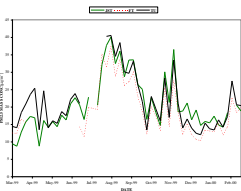
* Possible outlier (10/15/99)

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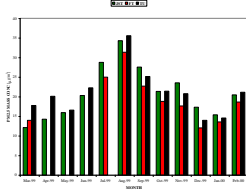
Temporal Analysis of PM_{2.5} Mass Data

- Weekly-averaged and seasonal trends in PM_{2.5} mass

(a) Weekly-averaged trends in PM_{2.5} mass



(b) Seasonal variations in PM_{2.5} mass

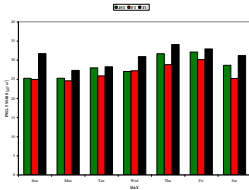


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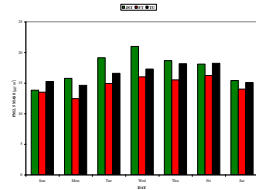
Temporal Analysis of PM_{2.5} Mass Data

- Day-of-week variations in PM_{2.5} mass

(a) Day-of-week PM_{2.5} variations in summer 1999



(b) Day-of-week PM_{2.5} variations in winter 1999-2000

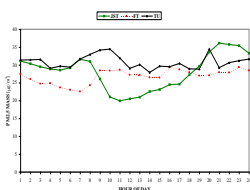


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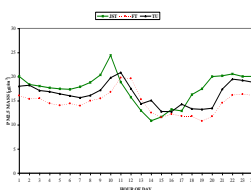
Temporal Analysis of PM_{2.5} Mass Data

- Diurnal variations in PM_{2.5} mass

(a) Diurnal PM_{2.5} variations in summer 1999*



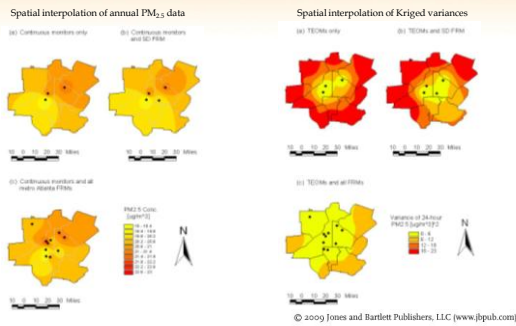
(b) Diurnal PM_{2.5} variations in winter 1999-2000



* Potential problems with JST TEOM

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Spatial Distributions



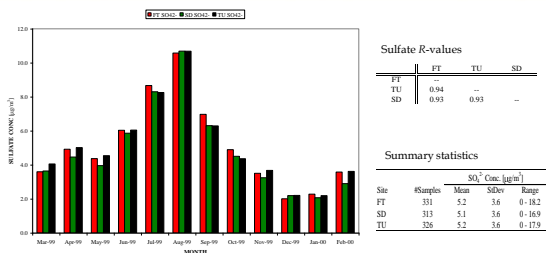
PM_{2.5} Mass Results

- Temporal
 - Highest values in summer
 - Lowest values on Monday
 - Highest values at night and AM rush
- Spatial
 - Overall, little spatial variation
 - Kriged estimates improved with more sites (Georgia DNR data)

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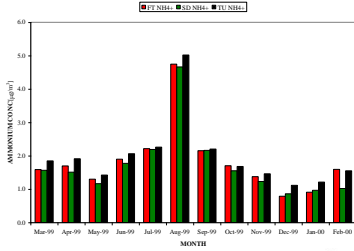
Temporal Analysis of SO_4^{2-}

- Seasonal SO_4^{2-} variations and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



Temporal Analysis of NH₄⁺

- Seasonal NH₄⁺ variations and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



Ammonium R-values

	FT	TU	SD
FT	-		
TU	0.92	-	
SD	0.90	0.92	-

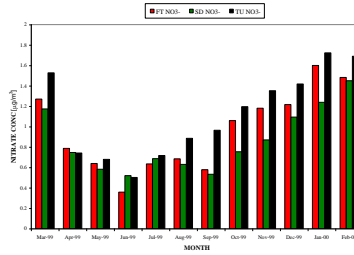
Summary statistics

Site	#Samples	NH ₄ ⁺ Conc. [µg/m ³]		
		Mean	SDDev	Range
FT	331	1.9	1.3	0 - 7.1
SD	313	1.9	1.4	0.1 - 7.0
TU	326	2.0	1.4	0 - 7.1

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Temporal Analysis of NO₃⁻

- Seasonal NO₃⁻ variations and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



Nitrate R-values

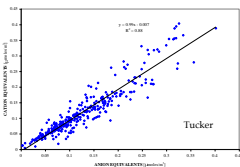
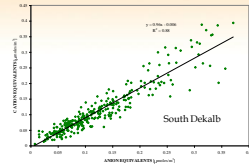
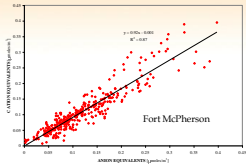
	FT	TU	SD
FT	-		
TU	0.73	-	
SD	0.71	0.74	-

Summary statistics

Site	#Samples	NO ₃ ⁻ Conc. [µg/m ³]		
		Mean	SDDev	Range
FT	331	0.9	0.7	0 - 4.2
SD	313	0.8	0.6	0 - 3.8
TU	326	1.1	0.8	0 - 5.1

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Data Validation – Ion Equivalence



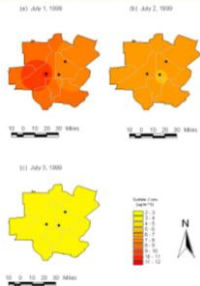
$$\text{anion equiv} = \frac{Cl^-}{35.453} + \frac{NO_3^-}{62.005} + \frac{SO_4^{2-}}{48.03}$$

$$\text{cation equiv} = \frac{Na^+}{23.0} + \frac{K^+}{39.098} + \frac{NH_4^+}{18.04}$$

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Spatial Analysis of SO₄²⁻ Episode

Spatial interpolation results of a SO₄²⁻ episode, July 1-3, 1999



Wind data during SO₄²⁻ episode

Date	Prev. 24 hr SO ₄ ²⁻ (ug/m ³)	24-Hour SO ₄ ²⁻ (ug/m ³)	Wind speed (mi/h)	Prev. day wind dir (deg)	Prev. day wind dir (deg)
July 1	8.3	7.2	7.9	14	228.0
July 2	6.3	5.9	6.5	12	191.1
July 3	5.6	5.1	6.0	60	225.2
July 4	2.2	2.4	7.8	10	132.6

*Average wind vector from Tule and 5. Data

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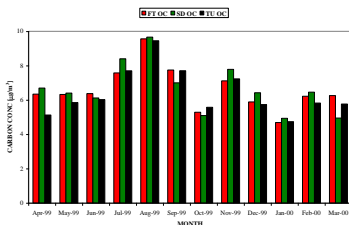
Major Ionic Species Results

- SO₄²⁻
 - Peak values in summer
 - Highest when wind from west (180-360°)
 - Spatially homogeneous
- NO₃⁻
 - Peak values in winter
 - Spatially homogeneous
- NH₄⁺
 - Peak values in summer
 - Associated with SO₄²⁻ and NO₃⁻
 - Spatially homogeneous

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Temporal Analysis of OC

- Seasonal OC variations and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



OC R-values

	FT	SD	TU
FT	–		
SD	0.86	–	
TU	0.83	0.86	–

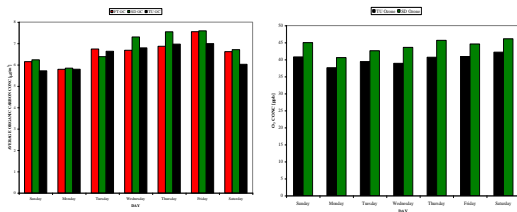
Summary statistics

Site	#Samples	Org. Carbon Conc. (ug/m ³)		
		Mean	StDev	Range
FT	229	6.7	3.2	0.7 - 17.8
SD	325	6.8	3.4	0.5 - 20.9
TU	230	6.4	3	0.6 - 16.4

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Temporal Analysis of OC

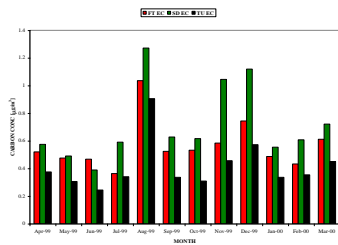
- Day-of-week variations in OC and O₃ concentrations



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Temporal Analysis of EC

- Seasonal EC variations and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



EC R-values

	FT	SD	TU
FT	—		
SD	0.58	—	
TU	0.61	0.8	—

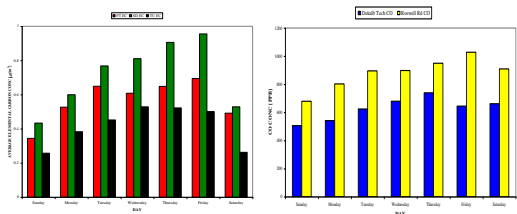
Summary statistics

Site	#Samples	E _g Carbon Conc. (µg/m ³)		
		Mean	SD	Range
FT	328	0.6	0.5	0 - 3.09
SD	325	0.7	0.6	0 - 3.31
TU	330	0.4	0.3	0 - 2.44

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Temporal Analysis of EC

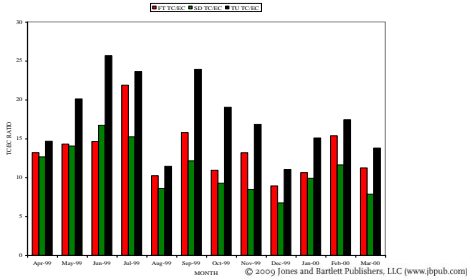
- Day-of-week variations in EC and CO concentrations



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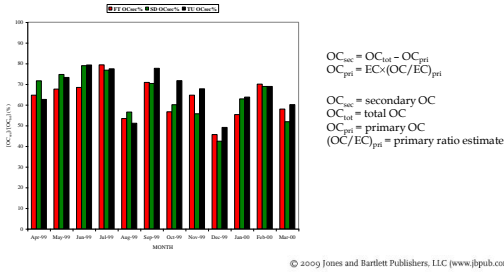
Indicators of Secondary Aerosol Production

- Total carbon (TC=OC+EC) to EC ratio



Estimation of Secondary Aerosol Production

- Method of Turpin and Huntzicker (1991) and Castro et al. (1999)



$$OC_{sec} = OC_{tot} - OC_{pri}$$

$$OC_{pri} = EC \times (OC/EC)_{pri}$$

$$OC_{sec} = \text{secondary OC}$$

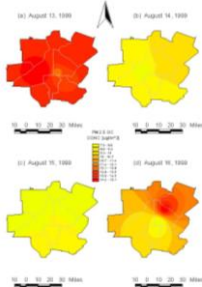
$$OC_{tot} = \text{total OC}$$

$$OC_{pri} = \text{primary OC}$$

$$(OC/EC)_{pri} = \text{primary ratio estimate}$$

Spatial Analysis of Summer OC Episode

Spatial interpolation results for summer episode



Wind data for summer OC episode, August 13-16, 1999

Date	Fort MePh. OC [µg/m³]	S. Dekalb OC [µg/m³]	Tucker OC [µg/m³]	Prev. day wind speed (mi/hr)	Prev. day wind dir. (deg. F)
Aug. 13	15.1	12.5	14.0	0.6	214.7
Aug. 14	8.3	9.5	9.9	0.8	236.8
Aug. 15	8.6	9.3	7.9	1.4	291.4
Aug. 16	12.3	11.7	14.1	1.0	173.6

*Average wind vector from Tucker and S. Dekalb

OC/EC Results

- Organic carbon
 - Peak values in summer
 - Lowest values on Monday
 - Significant secondary contribution (43-80%)
 - Spatially homogeneous
- Elemental carbon
 - Peak values in summer (August anomaly)
 - Lowest values on weekends

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Temporal Analysis of Crustal and Trace Metal Species

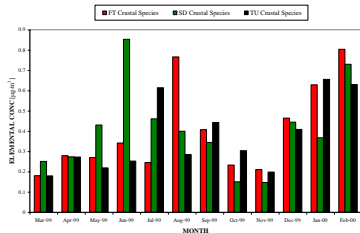
- Summary statistics

Chemical Species	Fort MePhoson		South Dekalb		Ficker	
	Average (µg/m ³)	Maximum (µg/m ³)	Average (µg/m ³)	Maximum (µg/m ³)	Average (µg/m ³)	Maximum (µg/m ³)
Silicon (Si)	0.014	0.83	0.076	4.05	0.025	0.81
Aluminum (Al)	0.23	1.7	0.19	1.8	0.21	1.7
Calcium (Ca)	0.11	1.1	0.095	0.85	0.099	1.01
Iron (Fe)	0.037	0.93	0.043	0.79	0.033	2.6
Magnesium (Mg)	0.014	0.16	0.012	0.20	0.014	0.16
Nickel (Ni)	0.0027	0.16	0.0046	0.22	0.0036	0.39
Vanadium (V)	0.0005	0.0092	0.0009	0.007	0.0005	0.0098
Cadmium (Cd)	0.0003	0.0056	0.001	0.19	0.0002	0.0052
Chromium (Cr)	0.0015	0.22	0.0011	0.22	0.0005	0.32
Copper (Cu)	0.0019	0.062	0.0028	0.25	0.0021	0.18
Manganese (Mn)	0.0077	0.14	0.0063	0.13	0.0067	0.14
Potassium (K)	0.12	1.8	0.18	3.8	0.13	1.03
Titanium (Ti)	0.0097	0.16	0.0093	0.34	0.0078	0.16
Zinc (Zn)	0.015	0.088	0.015	0.29	0.013	0.24
Lead (Pb)	0.0093	0.063	0.017	2.3	0.0082	0.059
Selenium (Se)	0.073	0.97	0.07	2.7	0.059	1.02

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Temporal Analysis of Crustal Species

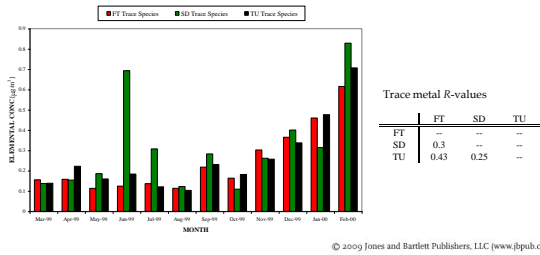
- Seasonal variation in crustal species and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix



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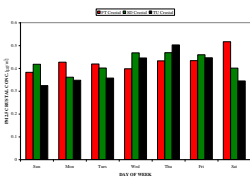
Temporal Analysis of Trace Species

- Seasonal variations in trace species and Spearman rank correlation coefficient matrix

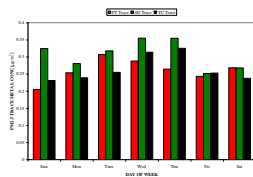


Temporal Analysis of Crustal and Trace Metal Species

Day-of-week variations in crustal species



Day-of-week variations in trace species



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Principal Components Analysis (PCA) for Source Attribution

- Multivariate model – compresses dataset into fewer dimensions (components)
- Minimum number of components contain maximum amount of variance
- Component groupings indicate sources
- Roscoe et al. (1982), Hopke (1983), Biegalski et al. (1998)

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Fort McPherson PCA

Element	Component 1	Component 2	Component 3	Component 4	Component 5
Si	0.40	--	--	--	--
Al	0.39	--	--	0.37	--
Ca	--	--	--	--	--
Fe	0.39	--	--	--	--
Mg	0.30	0.43	--	--	--
Ni	--	--	--	--	--
V	0.34	--	--	--	--
Cd	--	--	0.33	--	--
Cr	0.31	--	--	--	--
Cu	--	--	--	--	--
Mn	--	0.51	--	--	--
K	0.39	--	--	--	--
Ti	--	0.49	--	--	--
Zn	--	--	--	--	0.55
Pb	--	--	--	0.73	--
Se	--	--	--	--	0.38
Variance	4.26	2.87	1.87	1.30	1.10

Component		
1	Coal-fired boiler	Cheng et al. (1976)
2	Agr. And natural soil	Chester and Stoner (1974)
3	Motor vehicles	Lee et al. (1999)
4	Mix (veg. burn, mv, cfb)	Edgerston et al. (1984); Huang et al. (1994)
5	Incinerator	Marmame (1988)

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South Dekalb PCA

Element	Component 1	Component 2	Component 3	Component 4
Si	0.30	--	--	--
Al	--	--	0.55	--
Ca	--	--	--	0.95
Fe	--	--	--	--
Mg	--	0.45	--	--
Ni	0.32	--	--	--
V	0.31	--	--	--
Cd	0.33	--	--	--
Cr	--	--	--	--
Cu	0.33	--	--	--
Mn	--	0.55	0.37	--
K	--	--	--	--
Ti	--	0.40	--	--
Zn	--	--	0.33	--
Pb	0.33	--	--	--
Se	--	--	--	--
Variance	8.64	2.00	1.44	1.04

Component	
1	Coal-fired boiler/incinerator
2	Agricultural and natural soils
3	Motor vehicles
4	Incinerator/coal-fired boiler or soil (Soils dominate for PM ₁₀)

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Tucker PCA

Element	Component 1	Component 2	Component 3	Component 4	Component 5	Component 6
Si	--	0.31	--	--	--	--
Al	0.31	--	--	--	--	--
Ca	--	--	--	0.39	--	0.68
Fe	0.45	--	--	--	--	--
Mg	--	0.36	--	--	--	--
Ni	0.43	--	--	--	--	--
V	--	--	--	--	--	0.30
Cd	--	--	--	--	0.37	--
Cr	0.42	--	--	--	--	--
Cu	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mn	--	0.53	--	--	--	--
K	0.33	--	0.35	--	--	--
Ti	--	0.52	--	--	--	--
Zn	--	--	--	--	--	--
Pb	--	--	--	0.70	--	--
Se	--	--	--	--	0.74	--
Variance	3.63	2.60	2.05	1.36	1.04	1.03

Component	
1	Coal-fired boiler
2	Agricultural and natural soils
3	Coal-fired boiler or soil or veg. Burning
4	Motor vehicles
5	Smelting
6	Incinerator (urban mix)

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Elemental Species Results

- Crustal and trace metals
 - Both appear bi-modal (summer, winter)
 - June spike at SD due to road construction
 - Significant spatial variation
- Principal components analysis
 - Motor vehicles, coal-fired power plants, soils dominant
 - Sometimes difficult to distinguish sources

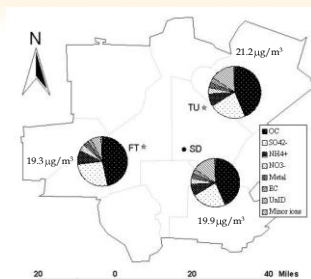
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Material Balance

- Sum of chemical constituents vs. TEOM and FRM mass values
 - Carbon
 - “Organic material” = $1.4 \times \text{OC}$
 - Accounts for O, H associated with OC (but not quantified via TOT)
 - Crustals
 - To account for oxides (Al_2O_3 , SiO_2 , CaO , Fe_2O_3)
 - $1.89 \times \text{Al}$, $2.14 \times \text{Si}$, $1.4 \times \text{Ca}$, $1.43 \times \text{Fe}$

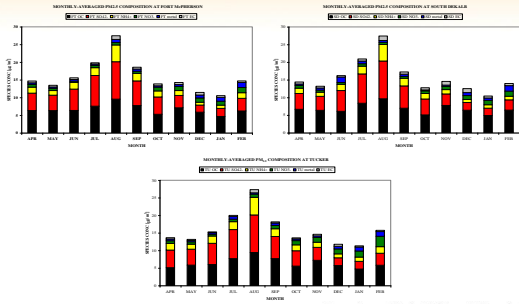
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Average Chemical Composition

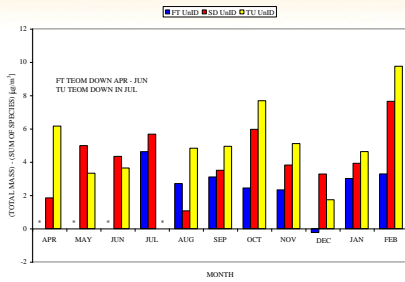


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Seasonal Mass Balance



Seasonal Variation in Unidentifiable Material



Material Balance Results

- Chemical composition
 - 31% Organic material (1.4×OC)
 - 22% SO₄²⁻
 - 9% NH₄⁺
 - 6.4% NO₃⁻
 - 3.2% Metals
 - 2% EC
 - 26.4% Unidentifiable material
- UM seasonally invariant

Statistical Modeling of PM_{2.5} Mass

- Used for estimating PM_{2.5} levels when data unavailable
- Models developed for “O₃ season” (April – October 1999)
- Available data
 - Tucker
 - O₃, NO₂, SO₂, T, WSP, WDR, RH, PRECIP, SR, UV
 - South Dekalb (problem with PM_{2.5} data)
 - Same as above, except SR, UV
 - Fort McPherson
 - No supplementary measurements (TU, SD data used)
 - CO measured at two other locations in metro Atl.

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Model Development

- Raw data examined for normality
 - Log-transformations indicated
- Multiple linear regression equations derived for 4 cases
 - Case 1: Filling in missing day when prior and subsequent day’s values available
 - Case 2: Only prior day’s value available
 - Case 3: Only subsequent day’s value avail.
 - Case 4: “Back-casting”

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Case 1 Results: Previous and Next Days’ Values Available

Term	Fort McPherson		South Dekalb		Tucker	
	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val
Intercept	-1.9198	<0.0001	-0.7588	0.1641	-1.3758	<0.0001
Previous-day PM _{2.5} (PD)	0.2421	<0.0001	0.4185	<0.0001	0.3986	<0.0001
Next day PM _{2.5} (ND)	0.1169	0.0785	0.2142	0.0044	0.3187	<0.0001
Ozone (O ₃)	0.5112	<0.0001	0.2401	0.0062	0.2598	<0.0001
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	0.2837	<0.0001	0.1887	0.0021	0.3183	<0.0001
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.1972	0.0008	0.0332	0.4853	--	--
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	--	--	--	--	0.0705	0.1118
Sin(wind direction), (WDR)	--	--	--	--	0.0458	0.0028
Relative humidity (RH)	0.6077	0.0060	0.3139	0.2348	--	--
Adj. R ² (%)	75		56		70	
p-val	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001	

Spatially-averaged model for Case 1:

$$[PM_{2.5}] = 0.222[PD]^{0.38}[ND]^{0.31}[NO_2]^{0.17}[O_3]^{0.24}[CO]^{0.12}[RH]^{0.52} \quad R^2 = 0.74$$

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Case 2 Results: Only Previous Day's Values Available

Term	Fort McPherson		South Dakota		Tucker	
	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val
Intercept	-1.9585	<0.0001	-0.3900	0.0446	-0.5714	<0.0001
Previous day PM _{2.5} (PD)	0.2301	<0.0001	0.3673	<0.0001	0.4427	<0.0001
Ozone (O ₃)	0.5680	<0.0001	0.1793	0.0051	0.1843	<0.0001
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	0.3225	<0.0001	0.2147	<0.0001	0.2382	0.0006
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.2364	<0.0001	0.0619	0.0853	0.2471	0.0001
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	--	--	--	--	0.1762	0.0002
Temperature (T)	--	--	0.4143	0.0316	--	--
Wind direction (WDR)	--	--	--	--	0.0423	0.0139
Relative humidity (RH)	0.5932	0.0065	--	--	--	--
Adj. R ² (%)	75		53		65	
p-val	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001	

Spatially-averaged model for Case 2:

$$[PM_{2.5}] = 0.0234[PD]^{0.60}[O_3]^{0.41}[CO]^{0.23}[RH]^{0.60}[SO_2]^{0.15}[NO_2]^{0.13} \quad R^2 = 0.69$$

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Case 3: Only Next Day's Values Available

Term	Fort McPherson		South Dakota		Tucker	
	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val
Intercept	-2.0577	<0.0001	-0.4931	0.0047	-0.3969	0.0067
Next day PM _{2.5} (ND)	0.0940	0.1691	0.2900	0.0003	0.3915	<0.0001
Ozone (O ₃)	0.6627	<0.0001	0.2738	0.0008	0.2615	<0.0001
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	0.3277	<0.0001	--	--	0.3172	<0.0001
Nitrogen monoxide (NO)	--	--	0.0954	<0.0001	--	--
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.2289	0.0002	--	--	0.0957	0.0604
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	--	--	--	--	0.0957	0.0604
Temperature (T)	--	--	0.8761	<0.0001	0.4653	<0.0001
Wind direction (WDR)	--	--	--	--	0.0552	0.0018
Relative humidity (RH)	0.6750	0.0035	--	--	--	--
Total UV Radiation (UV)	--	--	-0.2300	0.0065	-0.2197	0.0007
Adj. R ² (%)	73		53		60	
p-val	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001	

Spatially-averaged model for Case 3:

$$[PM_{2.5}] = 10^{(0.0158ND - 2.16)}[ND]^{0.35}[O_3]^{0.40}[RH]^{0.71}[T]^{0.51}[NO_2]^{0.36}[CO]^{0.11}$$

R² = 0.66

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Case 4: Back-casting

Term	Fort McPherson		South Dakota		Tucker	
	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val	Coeff.	p-val
Intercept	-2.1269	<0.0001	-2.1595	0.0010	-0.5583	0.0012
Ozone (O ₃)	0.7078	<0.0001	0.3328	<0.0001	0.2587	<0.0001
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	0.3668	<0.0001	0.1484	0.030	0.3671	<0.0001
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.2545	<0.0001	--	--	0.1550	0.0376
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	--	--	--	--	0.1993	0.0003
Temperature (T)	--	--	1.2989	<0.0001	0.5346	<0.0001
Wind direction (WDR)	--	--	--	--	0.0633	0.0020
Relative humidity (RH)	0.6812	0.0027	--	--	--	--
Solar Radiation (SR)	--	--	1.2484	0.0118	--	--
Total UV Radiation (UV)	--	--	-1.6117	0.0036	-0.1417	0.0467
Adj. R ² (%)	73		51		52	
p-val	<0.0001		<0.0001		<0.0001	

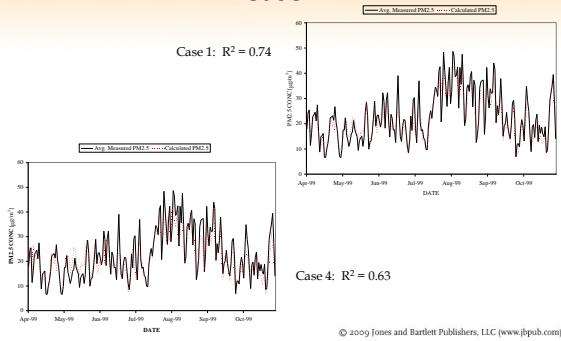
Spatially-averaged model for Case 3:

$$[PM_{2.5}] = 10^{(0.0590ND - 2.02)}[O_3]^{0.43}[RH]^{0.58}[T]^{0.61}[NO_2]^{0.32}[CO]^{0.13}[SO_2]^{0.22}$$

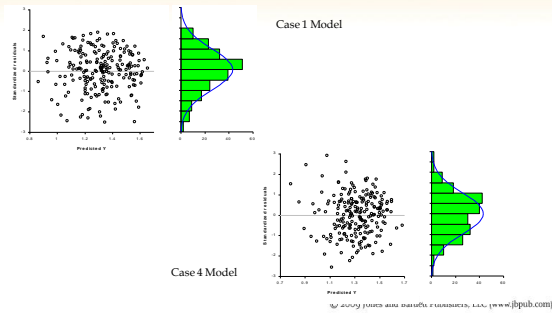
R² = 0.63

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Comparison of Models: Case 1 and Case 4



Residual analysis



Statistical Modeling Results

- Significant potential for retrospective estimation
 - Up to 74% of variance explained
- Spatial estimates limited by site-to-site inconsistencies
 - Loss of detail acceptable (lack of spatial variability)

Conclusions

- Temporal variation in PM_{2.5} concentrations greater than spatial
- Mean 24-hour levels: 19.3 - 21.2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
 - Annual NAAQS: 15 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (3 yrs data)
- Peak levels in summer (mass and all species except NO₃⁻)
 - August 1999 was anomalous
- Slight increase in PM_{2.5} during work week
- Late-night, early-morning diurnal peaks

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Conclusions

- Major ions accounted for ~40% of mass
- OC largest single species (~31% of mass)
 - Secondary formation important (43-79%)
- Metal species bi-modal
 - Significant spatial variability
 - PCA: coal-fired boilers, soils, motor vehicles dominate
- Unidentifiable material invariant with season
- Statistical modeling explained >70% of variance
 - Spatial modeling proved unproductive

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