Development of Advanced Factor Analysis Methods for Carbonaceous PM Source Identification and Apportionment

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Objectives

• The objective of this project was to combine the best features of the two advanced factor analysis models, UNMIX and Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF), and to test the effectiveness of this improved factor analysis methodology by analysis of the data developed in the various supersites with an emphasis on data from the New York City Supersite and other data from New York State.



Methodological Research

- Part of the effort in the project was methodological studies.
 - Duality of Solutions
 - Singular value decomposition of the data leads to two sets of eigenvectors. One set of eigenvectors spans a space in which source compositions are points and source contributions are hyperplanes. This space is shown to be dual to the space spanned by the second set of eigenvectors of the data in which source compositions are hyperplanes and source contributions are points. The duality principle has been applied to greatly increase the computational speed of the Unmix multivariate receptor model.



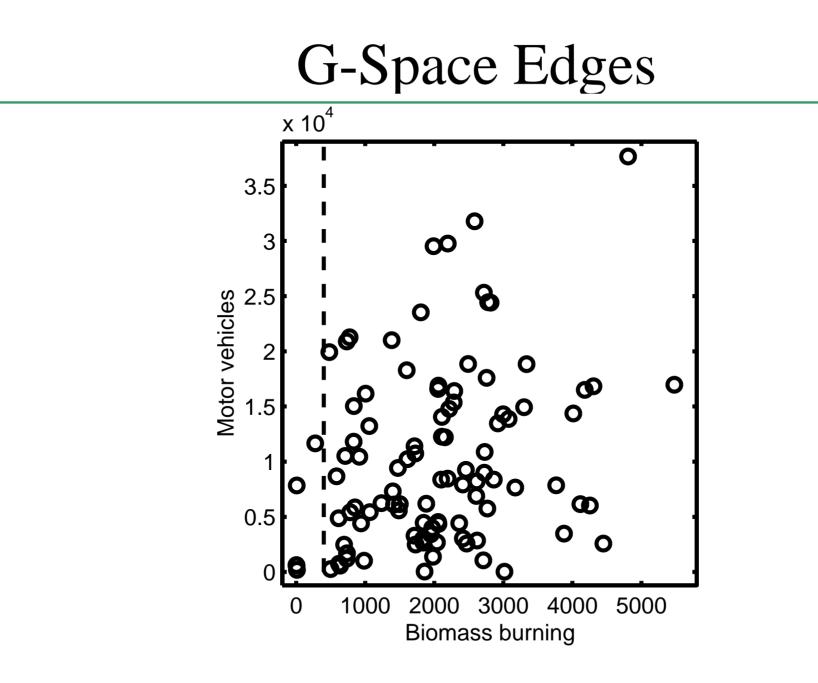
Methodological Research

- G-Space Edges
 - Scatter plots are created of pairs of source contribution factors. When factors are plotted in this way, unrealistic rotations appear as oblique edges that define the distribution of points away from one (or both) of the coordinate axes. With a correct rotation, the limiting edges usually coincide with the axes or lay parallel with them. Inspection of the plots helps one in choosing a realistic rotation.

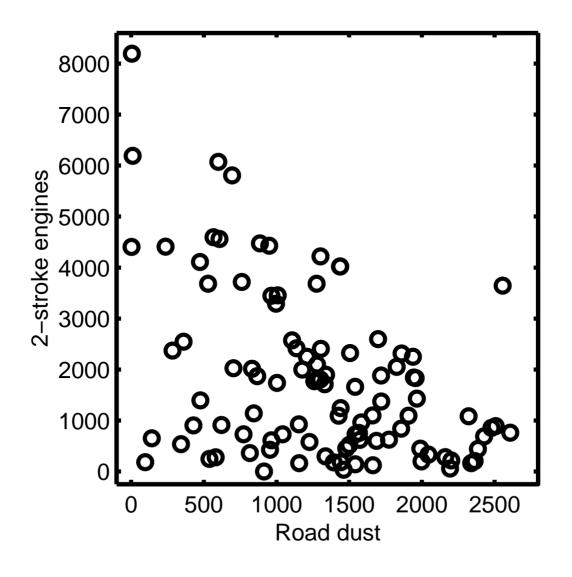


• If the two factors are independent of one another, then the resulting contribution values should completely fill the scatter plot and there should be no correlation between them.

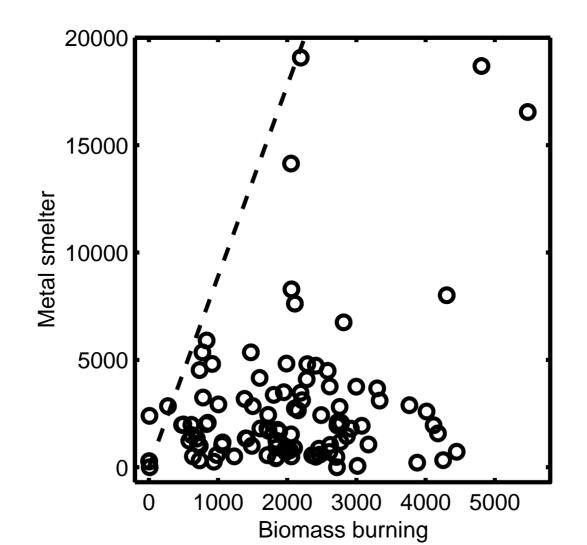














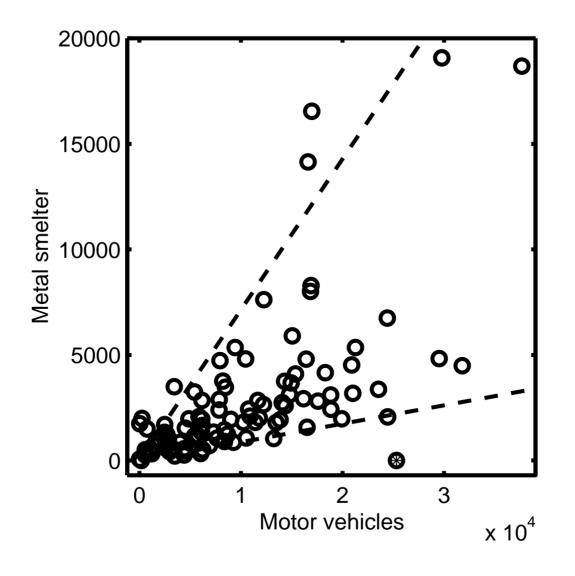
G-Space Plots

• Obviously there is an edge in this plot.

• Does it make sense that these two factors are correlated?

• If not, it suggests the need for a rotation.



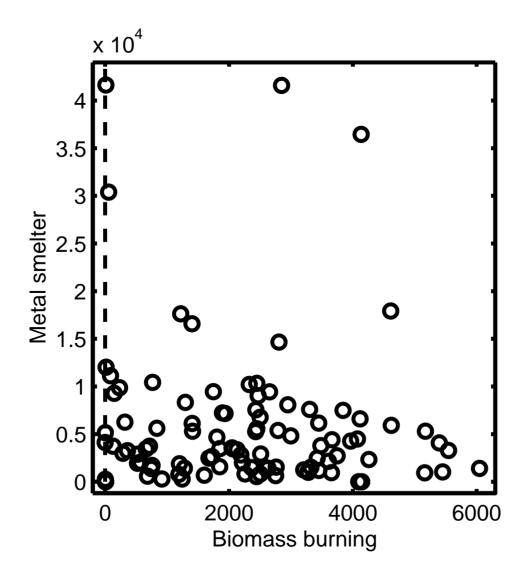


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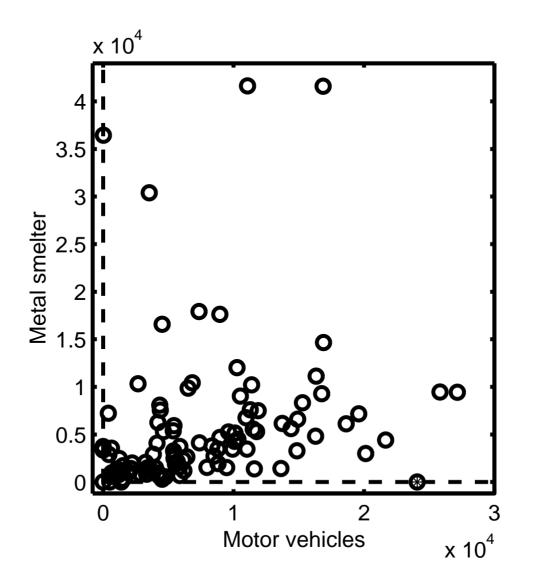
• Note that there can be points outside the apparent edge.

• These points should be checked to be sure they belong. However, it may be necessary to ignore them.





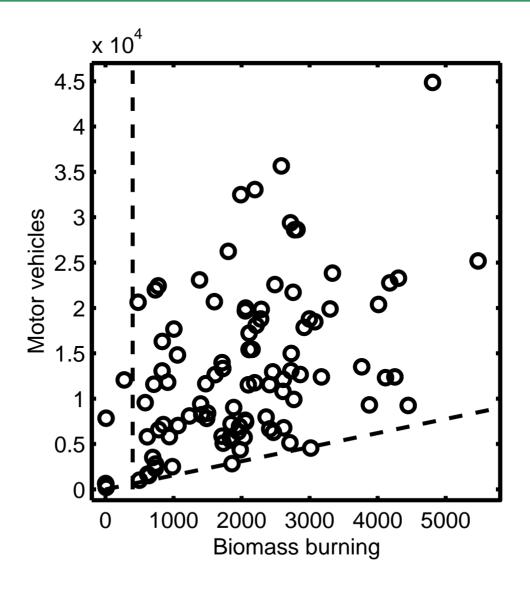






• Even after rotation, edges can persist.







Applications

- Particle Composition Data
 - Use of IMPROVE carbon fractions
 - Use of STN data

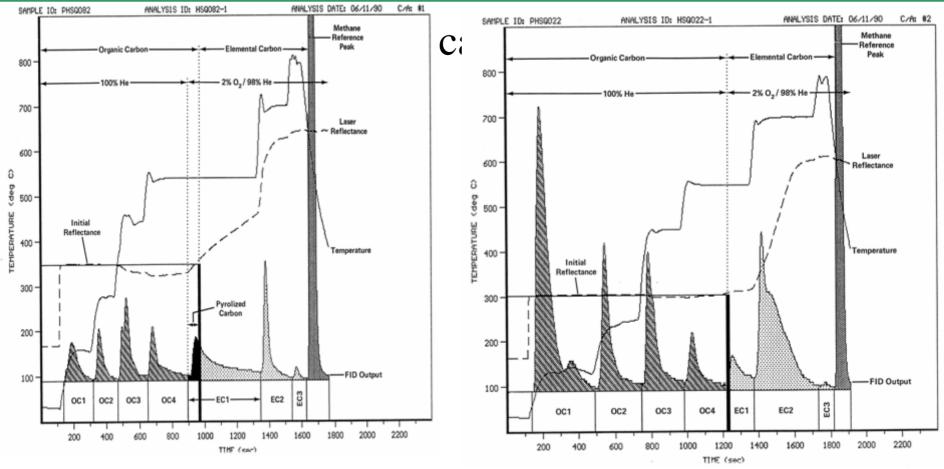




IMPROVE

Gasoline-fueled vehicles

Diesel-fueled vehicles

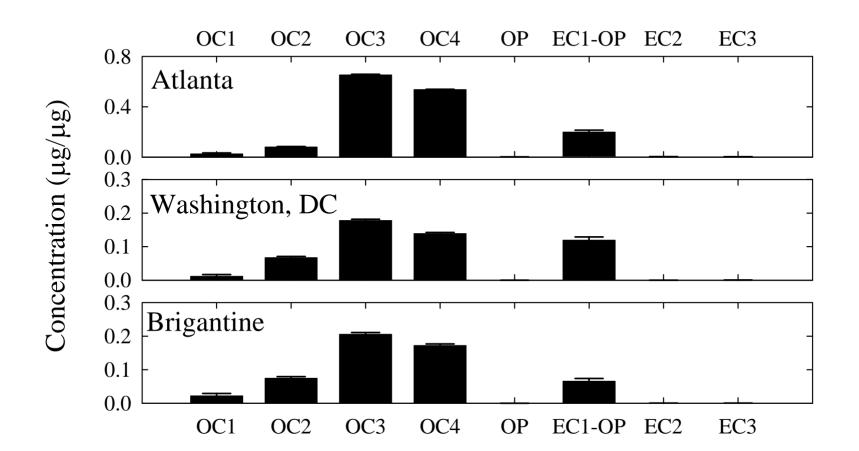


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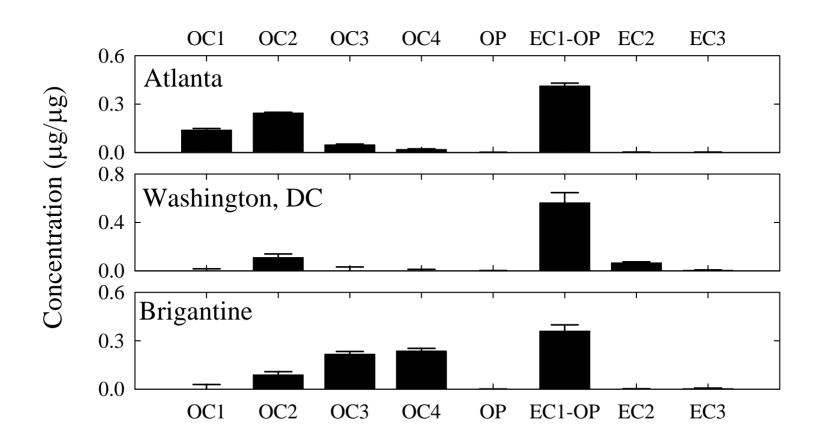
Gasoline Vehicles





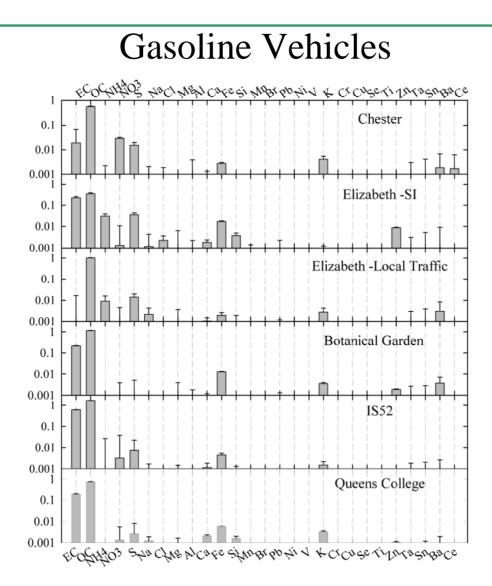
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Diesel Vehicles





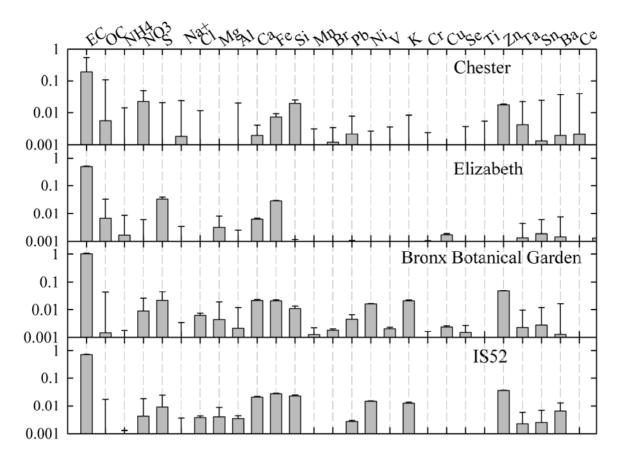
STN-NYC





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Diesel Vehicles





Gasoline – Diesel Split

- Can gasoline vehicular emissions be separated from diesel emissions?
 - Shah et al. (*Environ. Sci. Technol.* 38 (9), 2544-2550, 2004) show that stop and go and creeping diesel vehicles emit roughly 50:50 OC/EC as measured with the NIOSH protocol.
 - Problems of "smokers" looking like "diesel" emissions



Gasoline – Diesel Split

- Thus, the "diesel" profile tends to reflect the emissions from vehicles moving at highway speed (i.e., min OC/EC ratio)
- "Gasoline" reflects the maximum OC/EC ratio
- However, the oil additive trace elements tend to go into the "diesel" profile.



Gasoline – Diesel Split

- Does the choice of IMPROVE or NIOSH protocols affect the apportionment and the assignment of mass to "diesel," "gasoline," and other major carbonaceous aerosol sources like biomass burning.
- We have an opportunity to make such a comparison using data from the St.Louis-Midwest Supersite.

- Using daily integrated PM2.5 samples obtained at the St. Louis-Midwest Supersite, OC/EC analyses were performed by the two protocols:
 - OC-EC were originally analyzed at UW-Madison with the ACE-Asia variant of the NIOSH protocol
 - Subsequently, the same samples were analyzed at DRI using the IMPROVE protocol

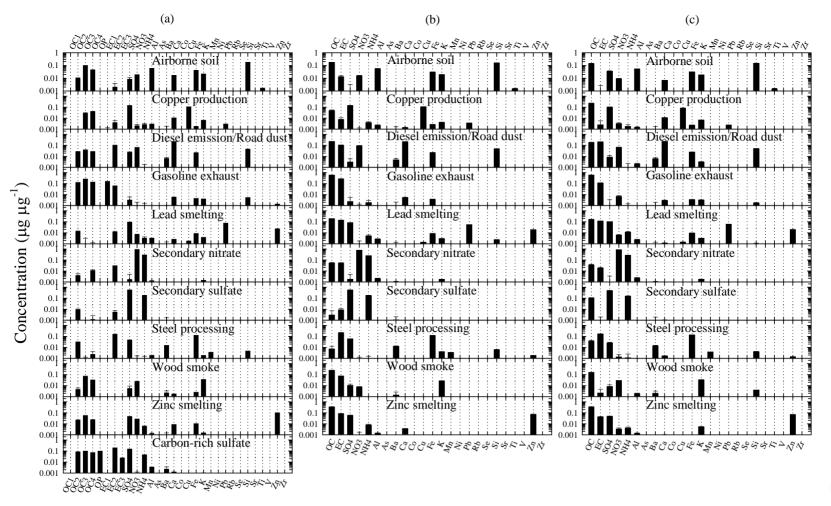


- Analysis was undertaken for three sets of PM2.5 speciation data at the St. Louis-Midwest Supersite in which each set differs only in the carbon concentrations.
 - The first set (679 samples for 31 species) has eight carbon fractions (OC1 to OC4, OP, and EC1 to EC3) from the IMPROVE protocol.
 - The second set (679 samples for 25 species) included only the total IMPROVE OC (TOC = OC1 + OC2 + OC3 + OC4 + OP) and EC fractions (TEC = EC1 - OP + EC2 + EC3), respectively.
 - The last set (679 samples for 25 species) contains OC and EC concentration obtained by the NIOSH analysis.



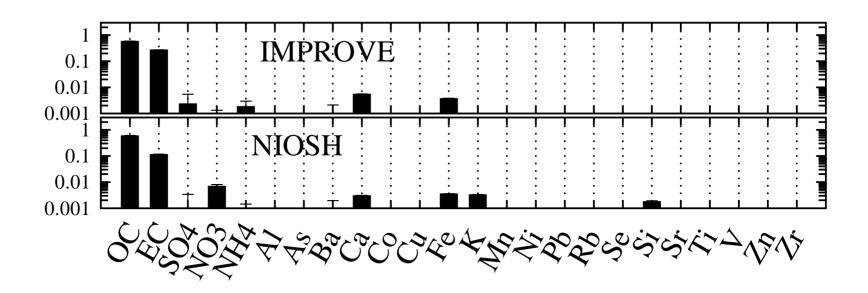
Solutions with 11 factors, 10 factors, and 10 factors were obtained by IMPROVE carbon fractions, IMPROVE TOC-TEC values, and NIOSH OC-EC values, respectively, for the St. Louis Supersite PM2.5.





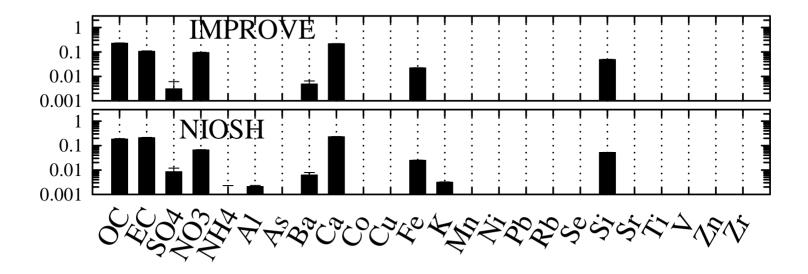


Gasoline



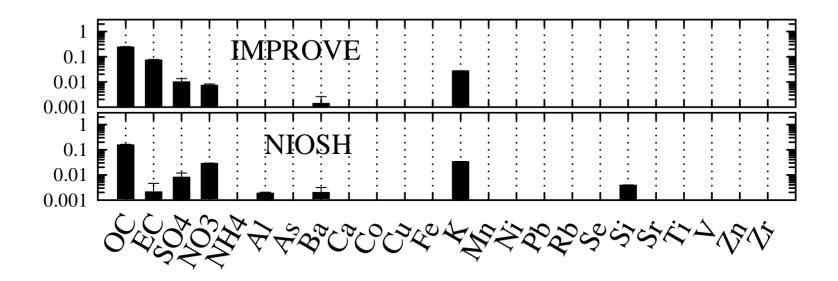


Diesel



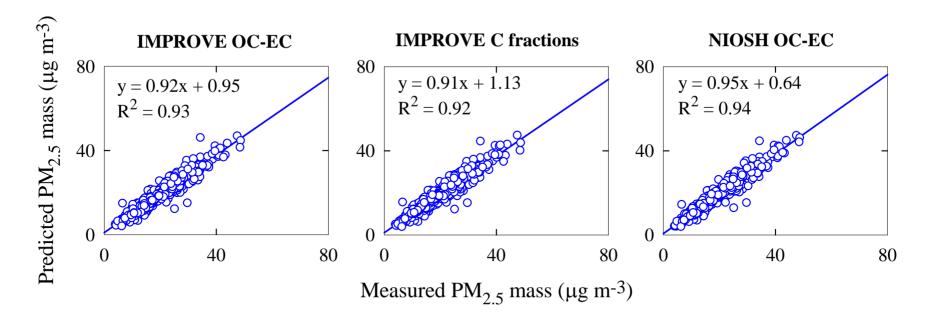


Biomass Burning



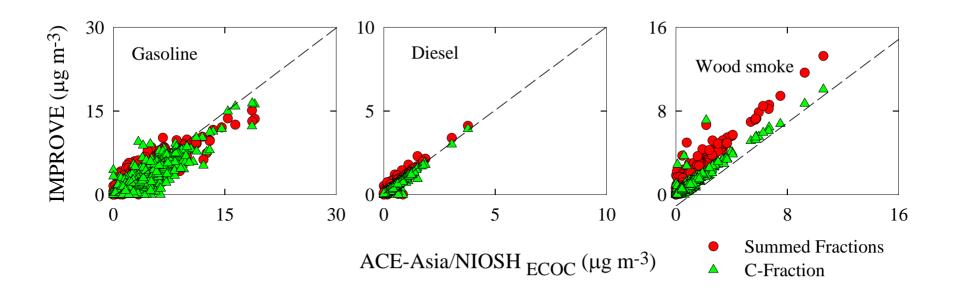


Mass Reconstruction





Contribution Comparisons





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QUESTIONS?