

**INVESTIGATION OF VOC REACTIVITY
EFFECTS USING EXISTING REGIONAL AIR
QUALITY MODELS**

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS
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OBJECTIVES

ASSESS VOC REACTIVITY EFFECTS USING AN
EXISTING REGIONAL MODELING DATABASE
REPRESENTING THE EASTERN U.S.

ASSESS RELATIVE INCREMENTAL OZONE IMPACTS
OF VOC MODEL SPECIES WITH RESPECT TO:

- VARIATION WITHIN THE MODELING DOMAIN
- DERIVATION OF VARIOUS REACTIVITY METRICS
- COMPARISON WITH REACTIVITIES CALCULATED
USING EKMA MODELS
- PREDICTIONS OF EFFECTS OF SELECTED
LARGE SCALE SUBSTITUTIONS

ASSESS APPROACHES FOR DERIVING A GENERAL
REACTIVITY SCALE REPRESENTING REGIONAL O₃
IMPACTS

CRC-NARSTO MODELING DATABASE



MODEL: CAMx VERSION 3.01 WITH DDM
EPISODE DATES: JULY 7-15, 1995 (DATA FOR 11th-14th USED IN ASSESSMENT)
EMISSIONS: EPA NET96
MET DATA: MM5
MECHANISM: UPDATED CB4 (ETHANE ADDED)

(Analysis of fine grid data still underway. Current analysis uses 4 and 12 km data averaged into the 36 KM grids.)

CARBON BOND 4 MECHANISM

ADVANTAGES

- LEAST EXPENSIVE TO USE FOR INITIAL STUDY
- WIDELY USED
- REPRESENTS MOST OF THE IMPORTANT CLASSES OF REACTIVE VOCs

DISADVANTAGES

- OUT-OF-DATE (DEVELOPED IN 1989)
- HIGHLY CONDENSED. CANNOT BE USED TO ASSESS MOST INDIVIDUAL VOCs
- INAPPROPRIATE OR NO REPRESENTATION OF SOME IMPORTANT TYPES OF VOCs:
 - INTERNAL ALKENES (only products represented; effects of initial OH and O₃ reaction ignored)
 - TOLUENE (reactivity characteristics significantly different than predicted using current mechanisms)
 - RADICAL INHIBITING VOCs (not represented)
- MAY BE MORE SENSITIVE TO RADICAL EFFECTS THAN CURRENT MECHANISM

NEVERTHELESS, CB4 PROBABLY SUITABLE FOR INITIAL QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT OF VARIABILITY OF REACTIVITY WITH MODELING DOMAIN

PHASE1: DDM CALCULATIONS

DECOUPLED DIRECT METHOD (DDM) USED TO CALCULATE SENSITIVITIES OF SURFACE O₃ CONCENTRATIONS TO CHANGES IN EMISSIONS

SENSITIVITIES CALCULATED AS FUNCTION OF TIME AND SPACE AND OUTPUT AS HOURLY AVERAGES FOR ALL GROUND LEVEL CELLS.

FIRST DDM CALCULATION:

- SENSITIVITY TO TOTAL VOC AND NO_x EMISSIONS
- RESULTS GIVE PPM O₃ CHANGE RESULTING FROM 100% CHANGE IN EMISSIONS (IF LINEAR)

SECOND DDM CALCULATION:

- SENSITIVITY TO SURFACE EMISSIONS OF CO AND 9 VOC MODEL SPECIES VARIED.
- SAME TIME AND SPACE DISTRIBUTION AS TOTAL ANTHROPOGENIC VOC
- RESULTS GIVE PPM O₃ CHANGE FROM 100% CHANGE IN ANTHROPOGENIC VOC CARBON EMISSIONS AS THE SPECIES (IF LINEAR)

THE SENSITIVITIES OF O₃ TO MODEL SPECIES EMISSIONS ARE THE SAME AS THE **INCREMENTAL REACTIVITIES** OF THESE MODEL SPECIES

CARBON BOND 4 MODEL SPECIES WHOSE OZONE SENSITIVITIES WERE DETERMINED

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>APPROXIMATELY REPRESENTATIVE OF</u>
PAR	C ₄ - C ₆ ALKANES
ETH	ETHENE (EXPLICIT)
OLE	PROPENE (PRIMARILY)
TOL	NO SPECIFIC COMPOUND. MAY BE INDICATIVE OF COMPOUNDS WITH VERY NO _x SENSITIVE REACTIVITIES (E.G., PHENOLS, STYRENES)
XYL	XYLENES
FORM	FORMALDEHYDE (EXPLICIT)
ALD2	ACETALDEHYDE (EXPLICIT)
ETOH	ETHANOL (EXPLICIT)
ETHA	ETHANE (ADDED FOR THIS STUDY)
CO	CARBON MONOXIDE (EXPLICIT)

OZONE IMPACT METRICS USED

IMPACTS BASED ON EFFECTS OF SPECIES ON DAILY
MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AND 8-HOUR AVERAGE O₃

REACTIVITIES DERIVED RELATIVE TO REACTIVITIES
OF TOTAL ANTHROPOGENIC VOC EMISSIONS
MIXTURE (BASE ROG)

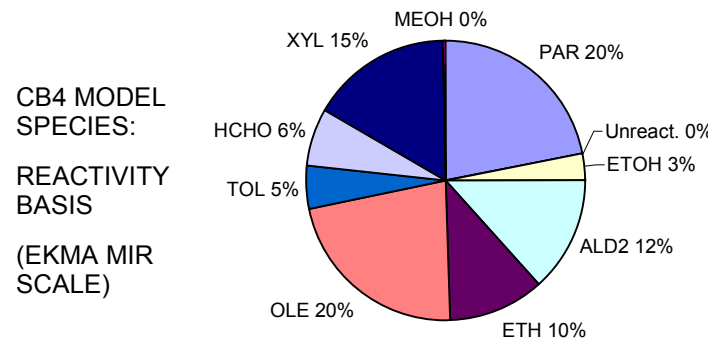
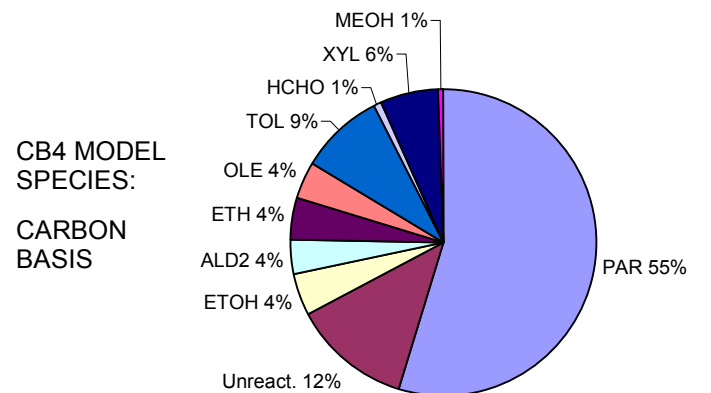
- GIVES BENEFITS OF REDUCING A SINGLE VOC COMPARED TO REDUCING ALL VOCs EQUALLY
- BASE ROG SENSITIVITIES DERIVED FROM SENSITIVITIES OF COMPONENT SPECIES
- BASE ROG COMPOSITION DERIVED FROM EPA REGIONAL EMISSIONS DATABASE
- TOTAL VOC SENSITIVITIES COULD NOT BE USED BECAUSE THEY INCLUDED BIOGENIC VOCs

4 GLOBAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY METRICS DERIVED

- MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR
- REGIONAL MIR
- REGIONAL MAXIMUM O₃
- REGIONAL AVERAGE O₃

EXCLUDING LOW O₃ OR ZERO EMISSIONS CELLS
FOUND NOT TO SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT RESULTS

COMPOSITION OF BASE ROG MIXTURE USED TO DERIVE RELATIVE REACTIVITIES



(BASED ON NEW EMISSIONS ASSIGNMENTS 5/02)

GLOBAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY METRIC #1

MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR: BASE ROG FOR SPECIES

DEFINITION

RELATIVE REACTIVITY TO MINIMIZE SUBSTITUTION ERROR FROM REACTIVITY-BASED SUBSTITUTION OF THE BASE ROG FOR THE MODEL SPECIES

SUBSTITUTION ERROR =
$$\sum_{\text{cells}} [\text{RR}(\text{Species}) \cdot \text{IR}_{\text{cell}}(\text{Base ROG}) - \text{IR}_{\text{cell}}(\text{Species})]^2$$

ADVANTAGES

- WEIGHS CELLS THAT ARE SENSITIVE TO VOCs MORE HIGHLY WHILE TAKING THE MANY CELLS WITH LOWER SENSITIVITIES INTO ACCOUNT
- REPRESENTATIVE OF STRATEGIES INVOLVING REPLACING HIGHLY REACTIVE VOCs WITH VOCs OF AVERAGE REACTIVITY
- REACTIVITIES OF MIXTURES ARE LINEAR SUMS OF REACTIVITIES OF COMPONENTS

DISADVANTAGES

- MAY NOT OPTIMALLY WEIGH CONTRIBUTIONS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF REGIONS
- NOT A PARTICULARLY REALISTIC SUBSTITUTION FOR EXEMPTION ISSUES

GLOBAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY METRIC #2

REGIONAL MAXIMUM INCREMENTAL REACTIVITY

DEFINITION

USE REACTIVITIES AT THE LOCATION WHERE THE INCREMENTAL REACTIVITY OF THE BASE ROG AT THE TIME OF THE O₃ MAXIMUM IS THE HIGHEST

ADVANTAGES

- COMPARABLE TO THE WIDELY-USED CARTER (1994) MIR SCALE
- REPRESENTATIVE OF IMPACTS IN REGIONS MOST SENSITIVE TO ANTHROPOGENIC VOC CONTROLS

DISADVANTAGES

- NOT A TRUE GLOBAL METRIC. DERIVED FROM IMPACTS IN ONLY ONE TYPE OF REGION
- REPRESENTS ONLY A SMALL FRACTION CELLS IN MODELING DOMAIN
- DOES NOT REPRESENT IMPACTS IN CELLS WITH THE HIGHEST O₃
- DOES NOT REPRESENT IMPACTS IN THE MANY NO_x-LIMITED CELLS

GLOBAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY METRIC #3 REGIONAL MAXIMUM OZONE REACTIVITY

DEFINITION

USE REACTIVITIES AT THE TIME AND LOCATION OF THE DOMAIN-WIDE O₃ MAXIMUM

ADVANTAGES

- ADDRESSES NEEDS TO REDUCE PEAK O₃, WHICH IS OF REGULATORY INTEREST
- SIMPLEST METRIC TO IMPLEMENT

PROBLEMS

- NOT A TRUE GLOBAL METRIC. DERIVED FROM IMPACTS IN ONLY ONE LOCATION
- NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENTATIVE OF "MOIR" CONDITIONS AS DEFINED BY CARTER (1994)
- REACTIVITY CHARACTERISTICS OF THE HIGHEST O₃ CELL CAN VARY SIGNIFICANTLY DEPENDING ON THE EPISODE
- THE DOMAIN-WIDE MAXIMUM O₃ MAY BE INSENSITIVE TO ANTHROPOGENIC VOCs

GLOBAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY METRIC #4 REGIONAL AVERAGE OZONE REACTIVITY

DEFINITION

USE AVERAGE OF REACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE DOMAIN, I.E., EFFECT OF VOC ON DOMAIN-WIDE AVERAGE.

ADVANTAGES

- REFLECTS THE EFFECT OF THE VOC ON TOTAL AMOUNT OF GROUND-LEVEL O₃ FORMED
- WEIGHS VOC SENSITIVE CELLS MORE HIGHLY (THOUGH NOT AS MUCH AS MIN. SUB. ERROR)
- SIMPLEST GLOBAL METRIC TO UNDERSTAND
- SIMILAR METRIC OBTAINED IF LOW O₃ CELLS EXCLUDED FROM AVERAGE

PROBLEMS

- WEIGHTS IMPACTS ON CELLS WHERE O₃ IS NOT IMPORTANT EQUALLY WITH O₃ PROBLEM AREAS
- RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER OF URBAN CELLS MAKES THIS INSENSITIVE TO URBAN O₃ IMPACTS

EKMA REACTIVITY SCALES FOR COMPARISON WITH REGIONAL MODEL REACTIVITIES

SAME EKMA SCENARIOS AND CALCULATION
METHODS AS USED TO DERIVE "CARTER"
REACTIVITY SCALES (CARTER, 1994; CARTER, 2000)

SAME VERSION OF CB4 AS USED IN THE CAMx
REGIONAL MODEL CALCULATIONS

RELATIVE REACTIVITIES USE SAME BASE ROG
MIXTURE AS USED FOR REGIONAL METRICS

MIR SCALE

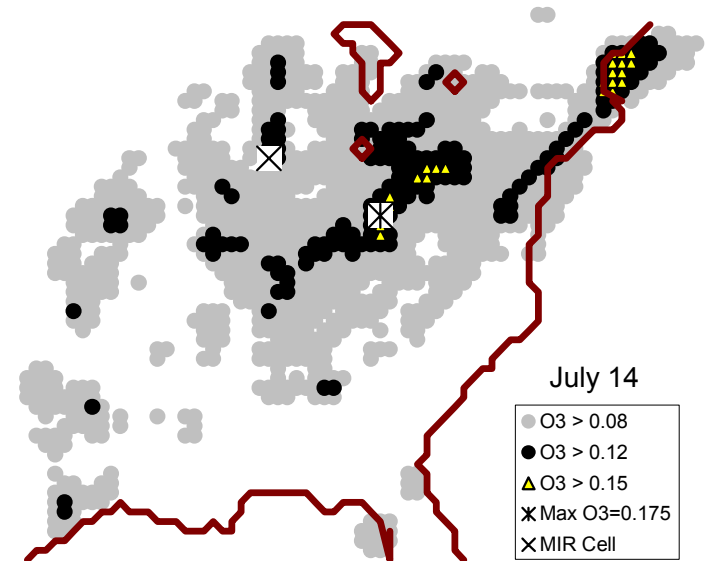
- AVERAGES OF INCREMENTAL REACTIVITIES IN
THE SCENARIOS WITH NO_x ADJUSTED TO YIELD
MAXIMUM BASE ROG REACTIVITY
- ANALOGOUS TO REGIONAL MIR METRIC

BASE CASE SCALE MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR
SCALE

- RELATIVE REACTIVITIES DERIVED TO MINIMIZE
SUBSTITUTION ERRORS IN THE BASE CASE
(UNADJUSTED NO_x) SCENARIOS
- ANALOGOUS TO MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION
ERROR METRIC FOR 1-HOUR AVG.

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF REGIONS WITH HIGH DAILY MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃

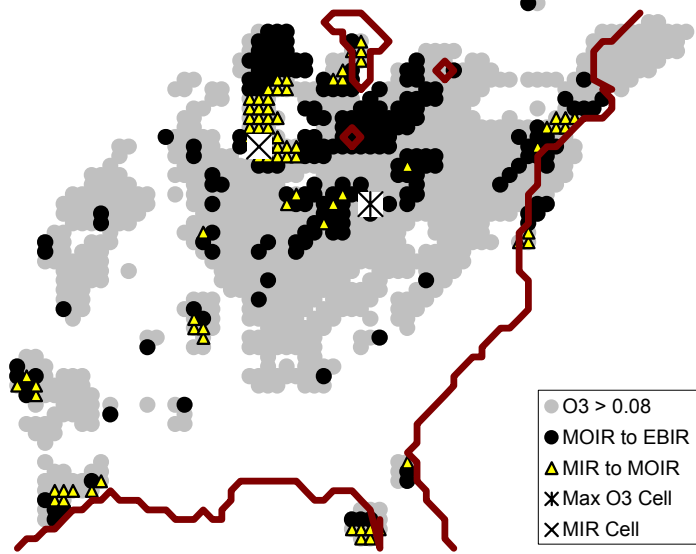
JULY 14, 36K DOMAIN



GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF VOC-SENSITIVE REGIONS WITH HIGH O₃

JULY 14, 36K DOMAIN

BASED ON SENSITIVITIES OF MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ TO TOTAL VOC AND NO_x

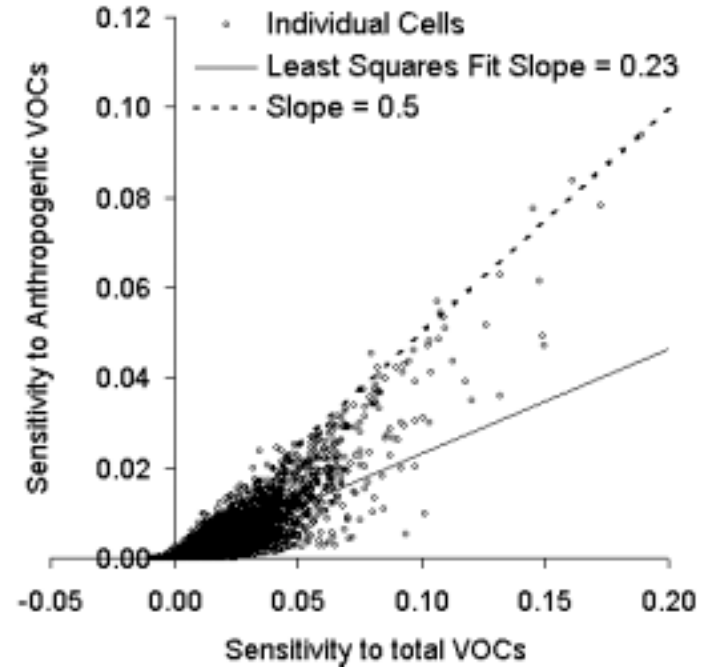


VOC SENSITIVE REGIONS WHERE THE MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ IS LESS THAN 0.08 PPM ARE NOT SHOWN

ANTHROPOGENIC VOC VS. TOTAL VOC SENSITIVITIES

JULY 12-15, 36K DOMAIN

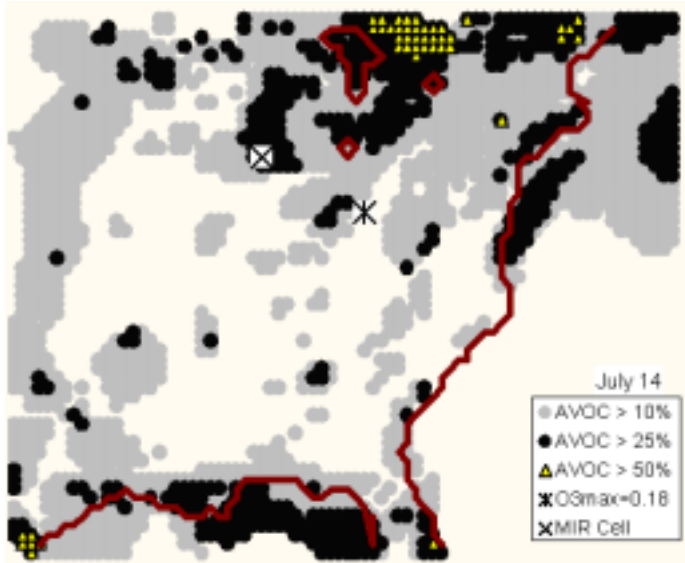
EFFECTS ON DAILY MAXIMUM 1-HOUR O₃ (PPM ΔO₃ PER 100% CHANGE IN VOC EMISSIONS)



REGIONS OF HIGHEST SENSITIVITY TO ANTHROPOGENIC VOCs

JULY 14, 36K DOMAIN

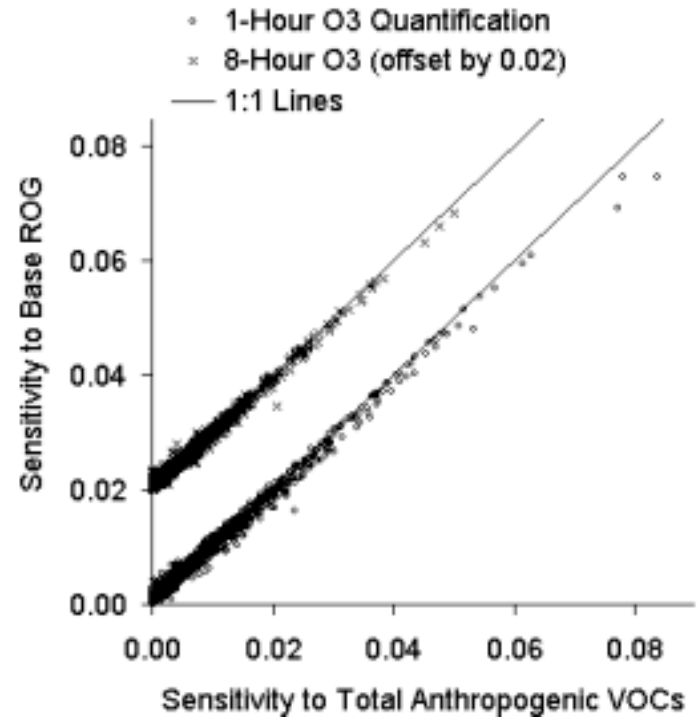
BASED ON RATIOS OF SENSITIVITIES OF MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE OF TOTAL AVOCs / TOTAL VOCs



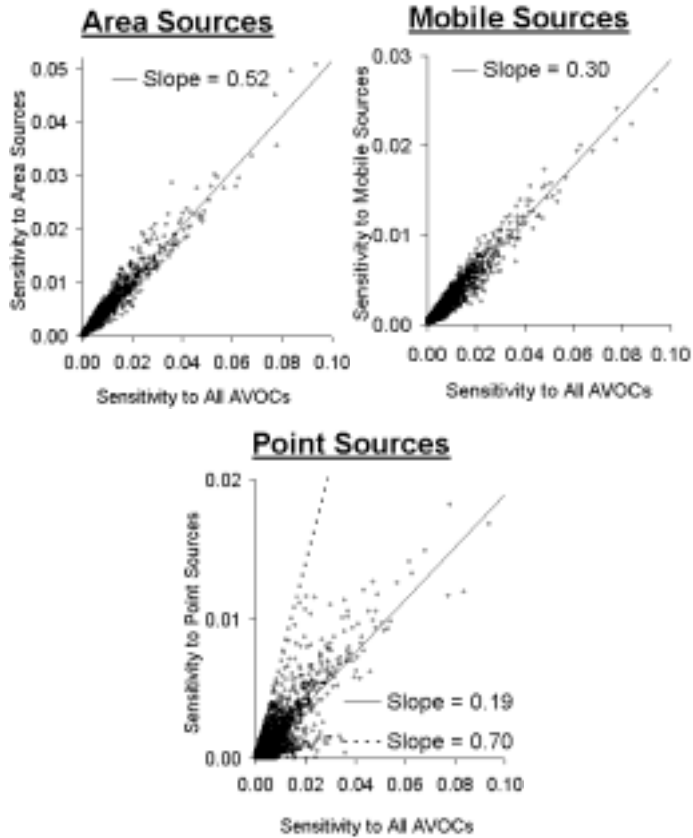
BASE ROG MIXTURE VS. TOTAL ANTHROPOGENIC VOC SENSITIVITIES

JULY 12-15, 36K DOMAIN

(PPM ΔO_3 PER 100% CHANGE IN VOC EMISSIONS)



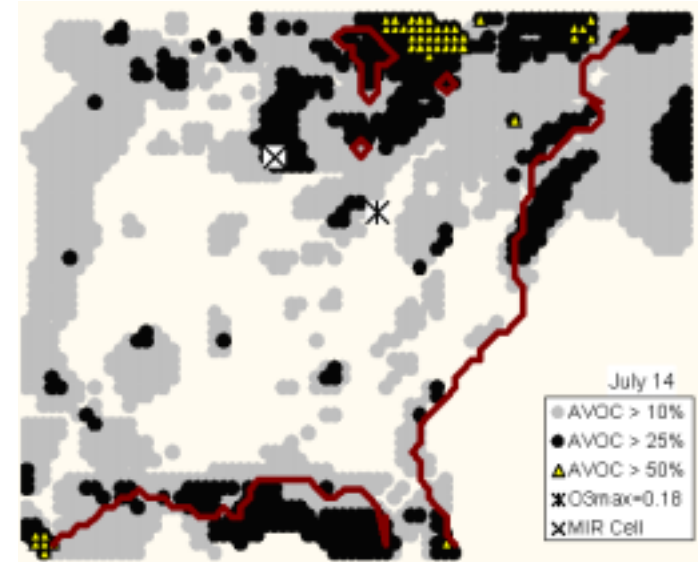
O₃ SENSITIVITIES FOR VARIOUS ANTHROPOGENIC VOC SOURCE TYPES



REGIONS OF HIGHEST SENSITIVITY TO ANTHROPOGENIC VOCs

JULY 14, 36K DOMAIN

BASED ON RATIOS OF SENSITIVITIES OF MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE OF TOTAL AVOCs / TOTAL VOCs



**REACTIVITY CHARACTERISTICS
OF EPISODE DAYS**

MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION

EPISODE DAY	7/12	7/13	7/14	7/15
<u>DOMAIN-WIDE OZONE MAXIMUM (ppb)</u>				
36K DOMAIN	162	187	175	170
4K DOMAIN	126	140	173	177
<u>CELLS WITH MAXIMUM O₃ >80 PPB</u>				
36K DOMAIN	22%	25%	25%	19%
4K DOMAIN	27%	37%	72%	76%
<u>CELLS WITH MAXIMUM O₃ >120 PPB</u>				
36K DOMAIN	1%	2%	4%	2%
4K DOMAIN	0%	2%	12%	15%
<u>CELLS MORE SENSITIVE TO VOCs THAN NO_x</u>				
36K DOMAIN	23%	27%	25%	22%
4K DOMAIN	68%	52%	28%	28%

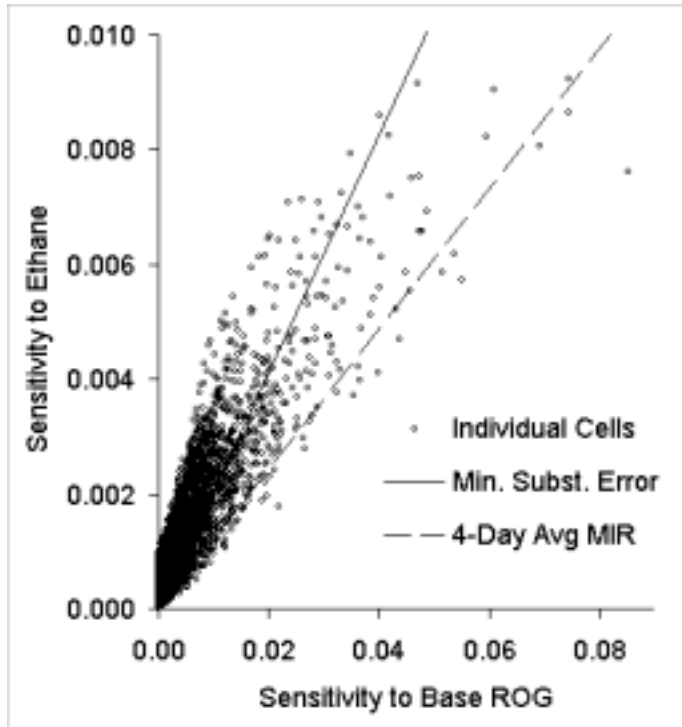
**REACTIVITY CHARACTERISTICS
OF EPISODE DAYS**

MAXIMUM 8-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION

EPISODE DAY	7/12	7/13	7/14	7/15
<u>DOMAIN-WIDE OZONE MAXIMUM (ppb)</u>				
36K DOMAIN	127	139	147	-
4K DOMAIN	99	100	135	-
<u>CELLS WITH MAXIMUM O₃ >60 PPB</u>				
36K DOMAIN	37%	38%	37%	-
4K DOMAIN	54%	54%	86%	-
<u>CELLS WITH MAXIMUM O₃ >80 PPB</u>				
36K DOMAIN	7%	10%	12%	-
4K DOMAIN	2%	14%	39%	-
<u>CELLS MORE SENSITIVE TO VOCs THAN NO_x</u>				
36K DOMAIN	17%	23%	20%	-
4K DOMAIN	41%	37%	20%	-

ETHANE VS BASE ROG SENSITIVITIES IN 36K DOMAIN

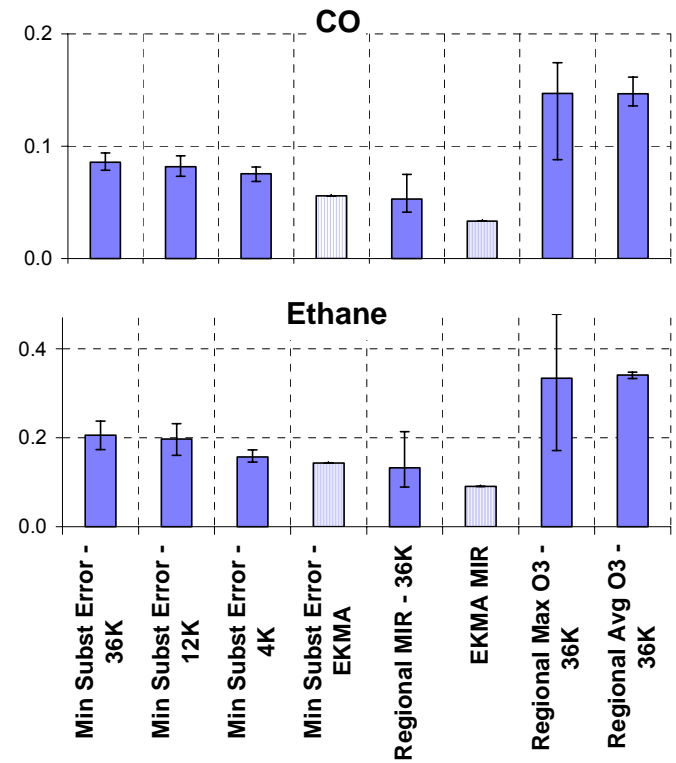
MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION
7/12 – 7/15 EPISODE DAYS (36K DOMAIN)



SLOPE OF LINE FORCED THROUGH ZERO IS
MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR REACTIVITY

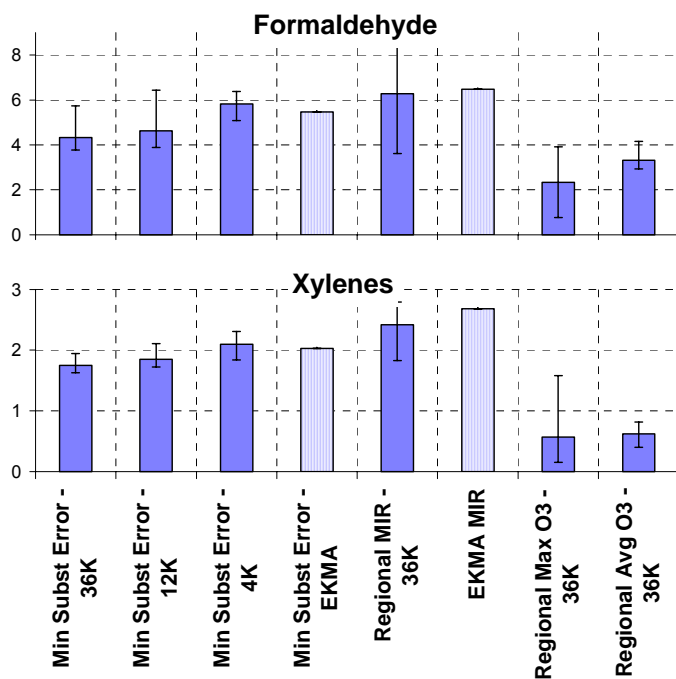
COMPARISON OF RELATIVE REACTIVITIES FOR SLOWLY REACTING SPECIES

MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION
(CARBON BASIS)



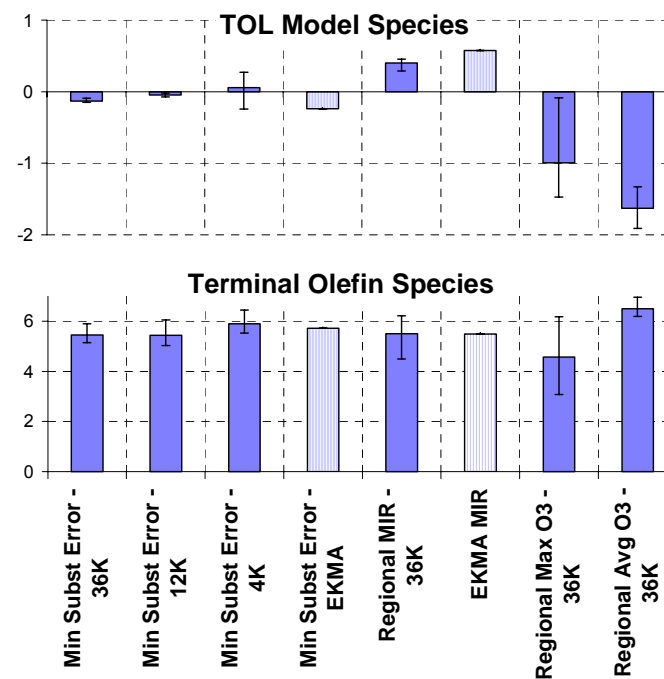
COMPARISON OF RELATIVE REACTIVITIES FOR RADICAL INITIATING SPECIES

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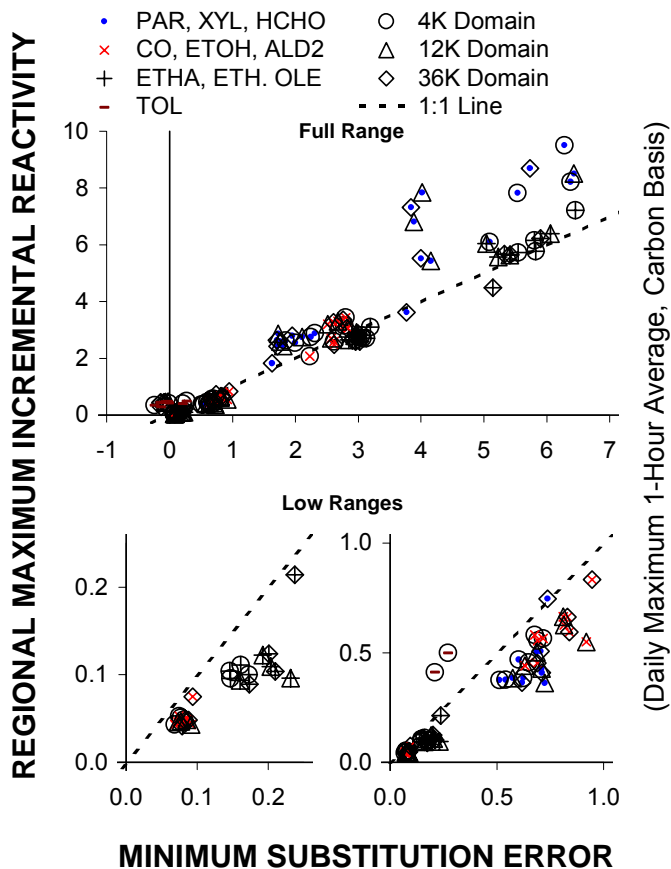


COMPARISON OF RELATIVE REACTIVITIES FOR MOST AND LEAST VARIABLE SPECIES

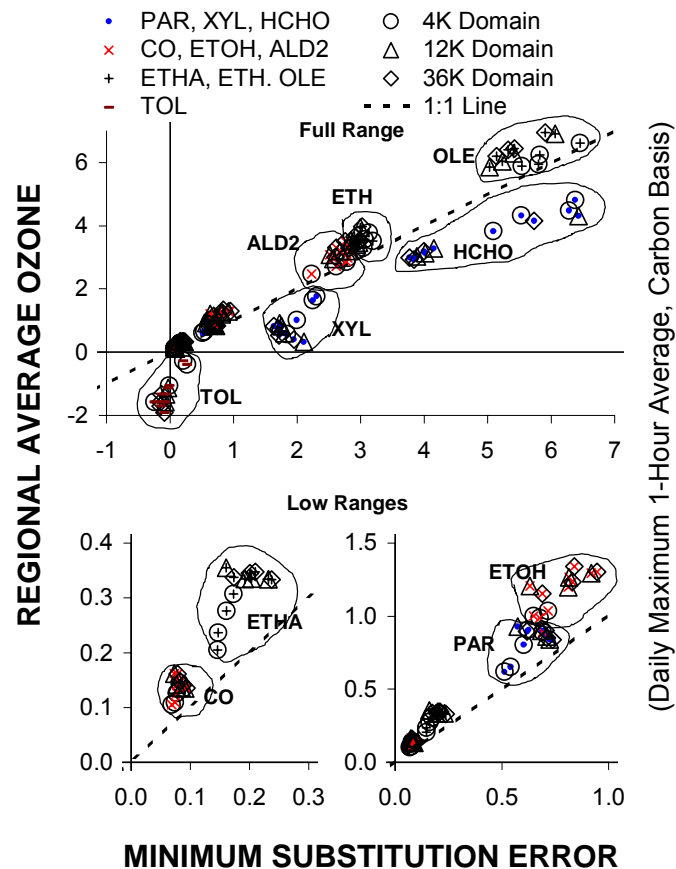
MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION (CARBON BASIS)



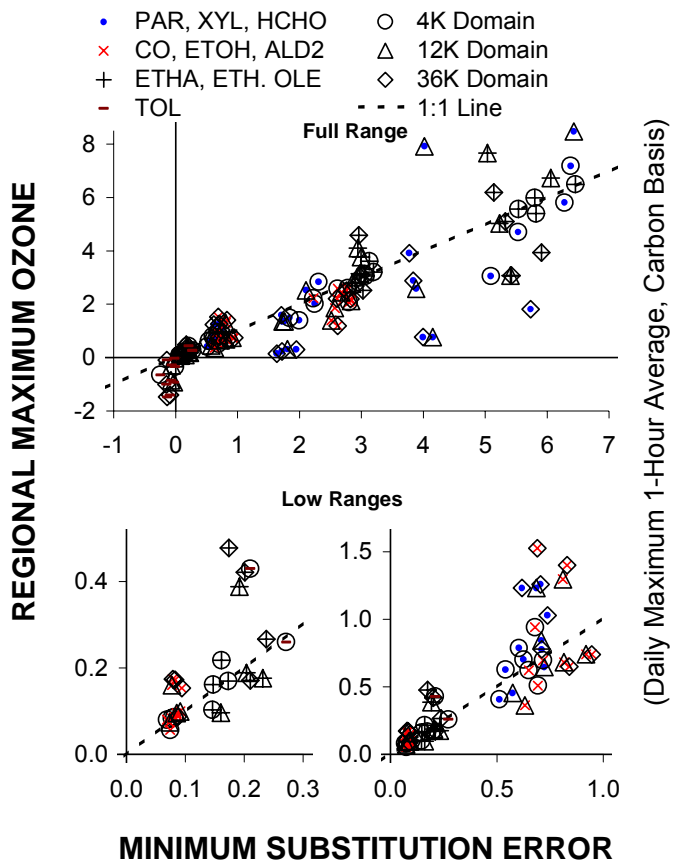
COMPARISON OF REGIONAL RELATIVE REACTIVITY SCALES FOR CB4 SPECIES



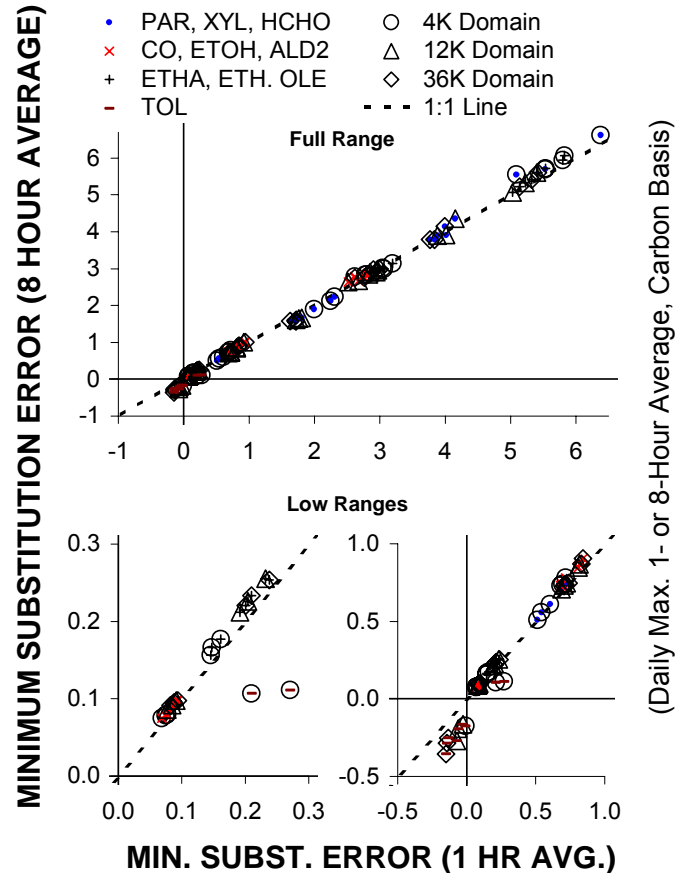
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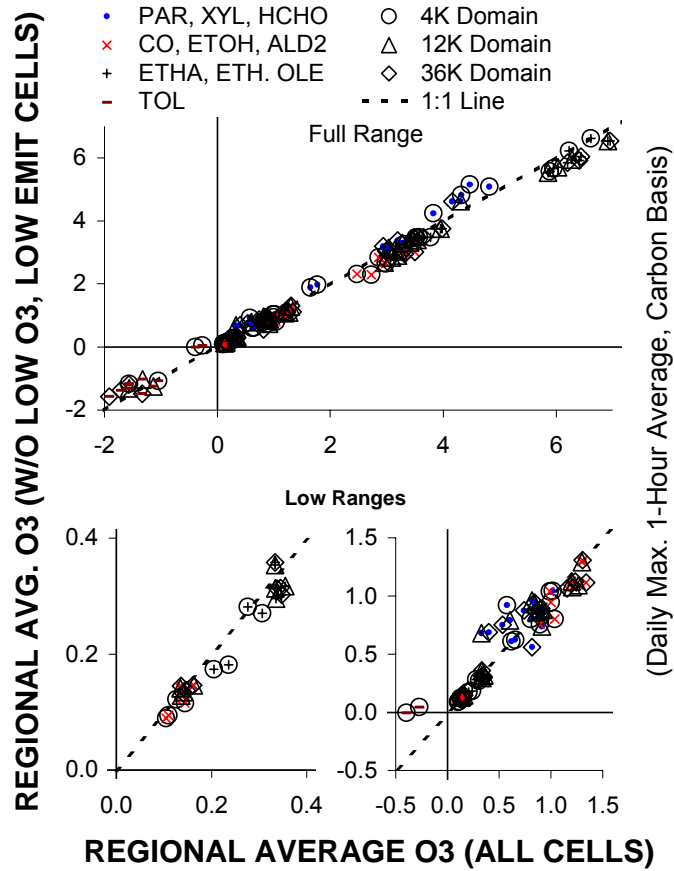
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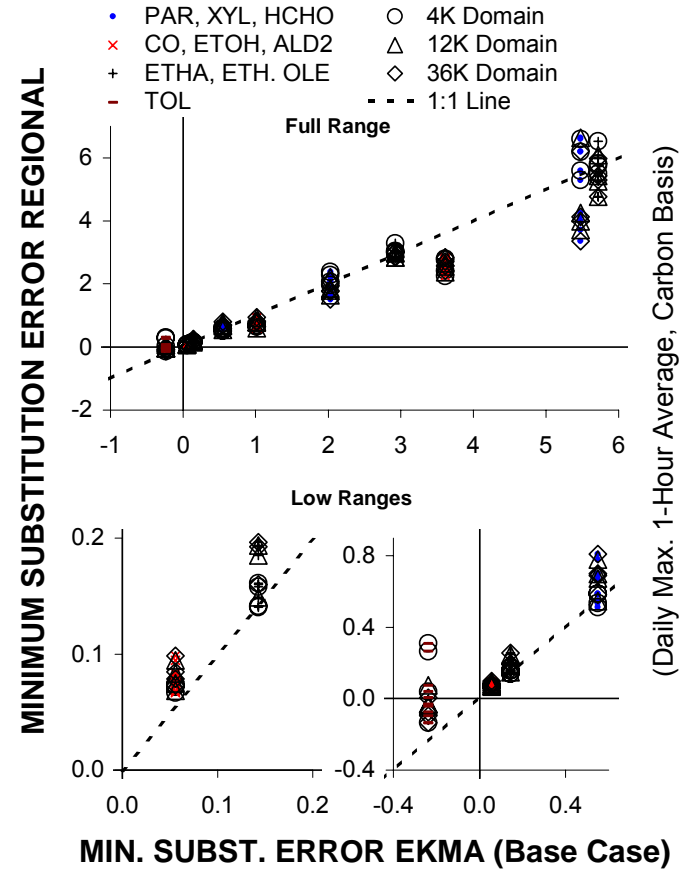
COMPARISON OF 8-HOUR VS 1-HOUR O₃ MIN. SUBST. ERR. RELATIVE REACTIVITIES



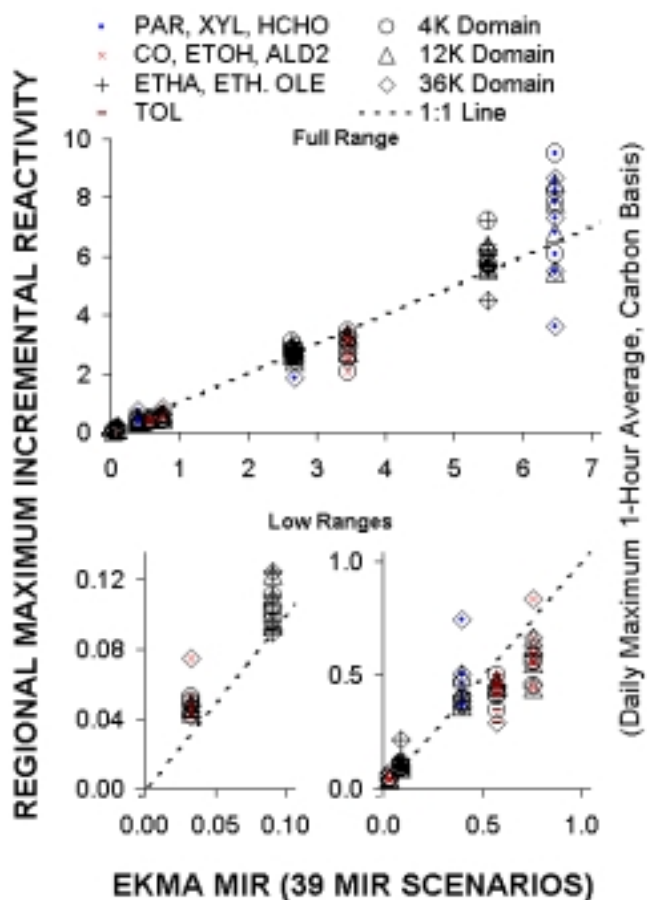
EFFECT OF EXCLUDING 1-HOUR O₃ < 80 PPB AND ZERO EMISSIONS CELLS



COMPARISON OF EKMA VS REGIONAL MIN. SUB. ERROR RELATIVE REACTIVITIES



COMPARISON OF EKMA VS REGIONAL MIR RELATIVE REACTIVITIES



LARGE SCALE SUBSTITUTION CALCULATIONS

CALCULATION	ETHANE CARBON SUBST. FACTOR	12K DOMAIN 7/12 – 7/15	
		AVG. MAX 1-Hr O ₃ (PPB)	CELLS OVER 8-Hr STD.
BASE CASE	-	193	18%
NO AVOCs	0	178	13%
ETHANE SUBSTITUTIONS TO REPLACE AVOCs			
100% ETHANE BY MOLE	0.5	180	13%
100% ETHANE BY "MASS"	1	182	14%
100% ETHANE BY REACTIVITY (NULL TEST)	5.1 [a]	193 [b]	21%
50% ETHANE BY REACTIVITY (NULL TEST)	5.1 [a]	193 [c]	19%

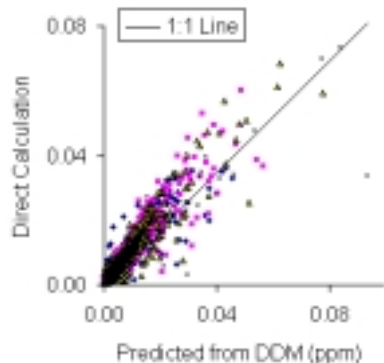
[a] NULL TEST SUBSTITUTION FACTOR BASED ON AVERAGE OF MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR RELATIVE REACTIVITIES FOR THE 12K DOMAIN

[b] INCREASES BY 0.8 PPB

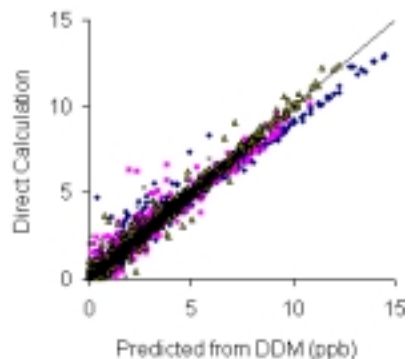
[c] INCREASES BY 0.3 PPB

**ABILITY OF LINEAR APPROXIMATION
TO PREDICT O₃ CHANGES IN THE CELLS IN
THE 100% SUBSTITUTION CALCULATIONS**

AVOC REMOVAL (36K DOMAIN)



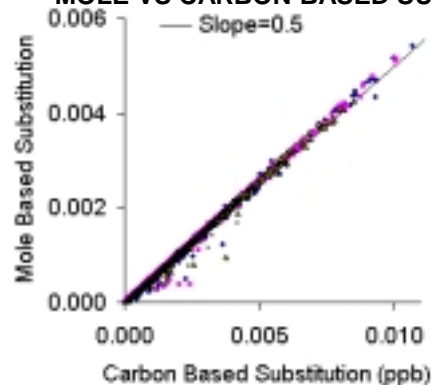
ETHANE NULL TEST (36K DOMAIN)



LINEARITY OF ETHANE ADDITIONS

36K DOMAIN, 1-HOUR AVERAGE QUANTIFICATION

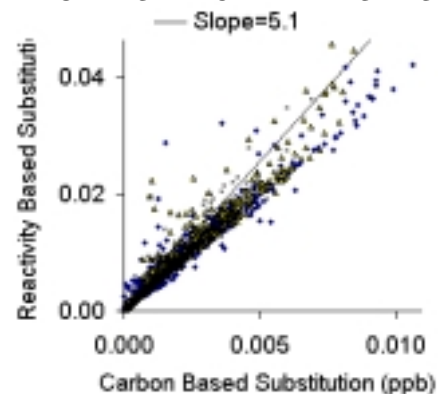
MOLE VS CARBON-BASED SUBSTITUTION



0.5 CARBON
VS 1 CARBON
ETHANE FOR
AVOC
SUBSTITUTION

36K DOMAIN
1-Hr Avg.
Quantification

MOLE VS REACTIVITY-BASED SUBSTITUTION



5.1 CARBON
VS 1 CARBON
ETHANE FOR
AVOC
SUBSTITUTION

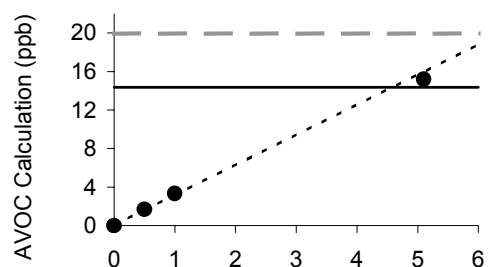
36K DOMAIN
1-Hr Avg.
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O₃ CHANGES RELATIVE TO NO AVOC CALCULATION

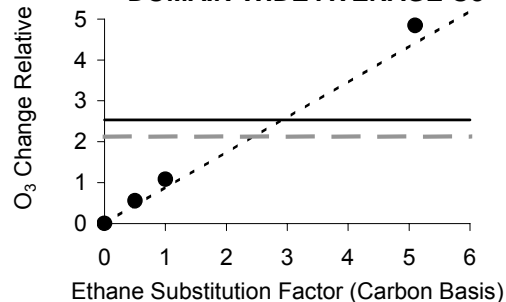
AVERAGE OF DATA IN 12K DOMAIN MAXIMUM 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION

- AVOC Removed and Ethane Added (Direct Calc.)
- - - AVOC Removed and Ethane Added (DDM Prediction)
- Base Case Relative to AVOC Removed (Direct Calc.)
- Base Case relative to AVOC Removed (DDM Pred.)

O₃ AT LOCATION OF BASE MAXIMUM



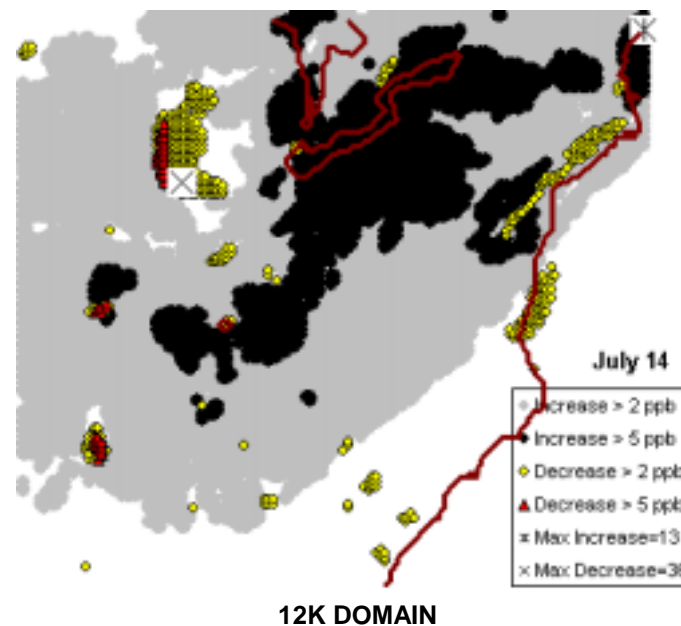
DOMAIN-WIDE AVERAGE O₃



EFFECT OF NULL TEST ETHANE SUBSTITUTION

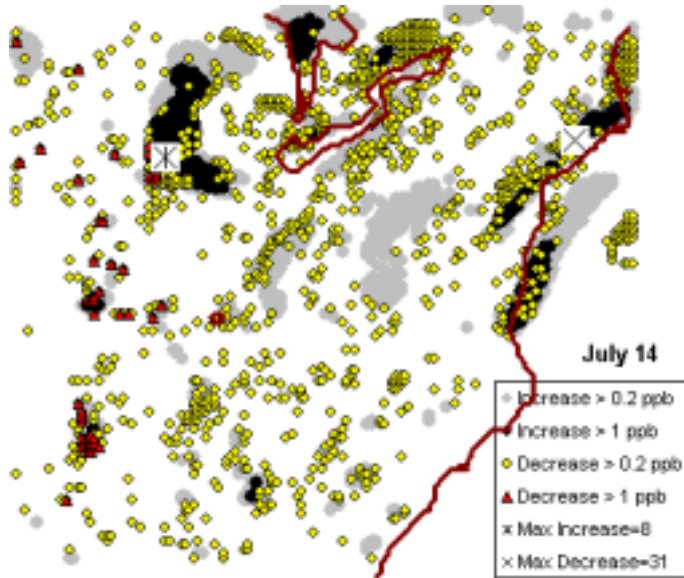
CHANGE IN 1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ RESULTING FROM SUBSTITUTING ALL AVOCs FOR 5.1 MOLES CARBON OF ETHANE

SUBSTITUTION FACTOR BASED ON MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR RELATIVE REACTIVITY IN 12K DOMAIN



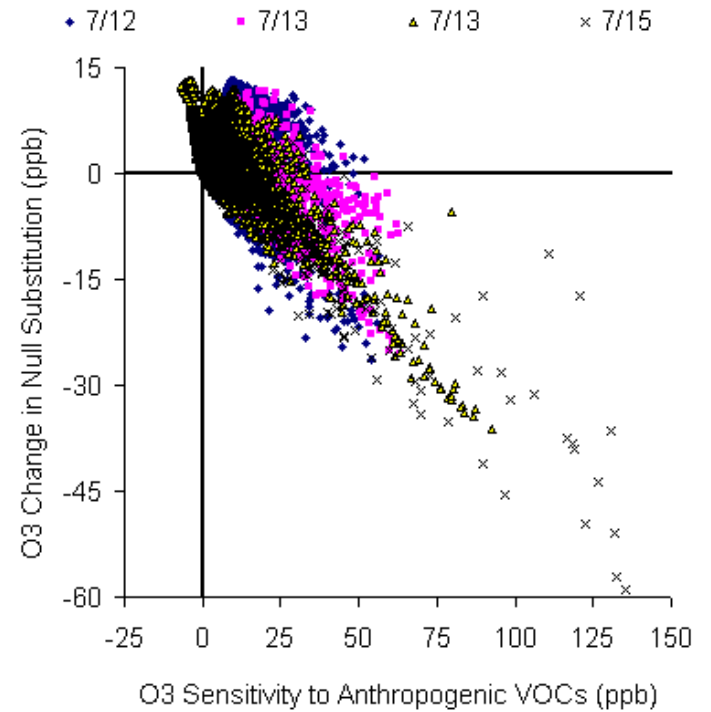
MAP OF LINEAR ASSUMPTION PREDICTION ERROR FOR 100% ETHANE NULL SUBSTITUTION CALCULATION

JULY 14, 12K DOMAIN
1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION



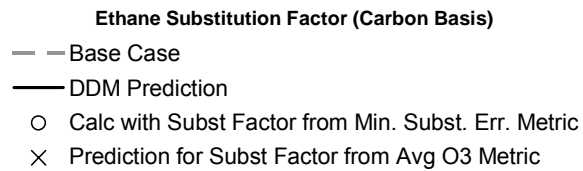
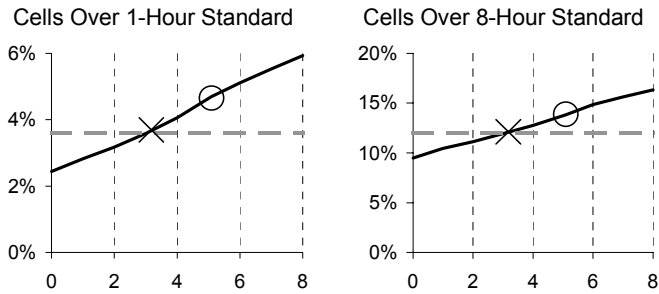
O₃ CHANGE IN 100% ETHANE NULL SUBSTITUTION VS. BASE ROG SENSITIVITY

12K DOMAIN
1-HOUR AVERAGE O₃ QUANTIFICATION



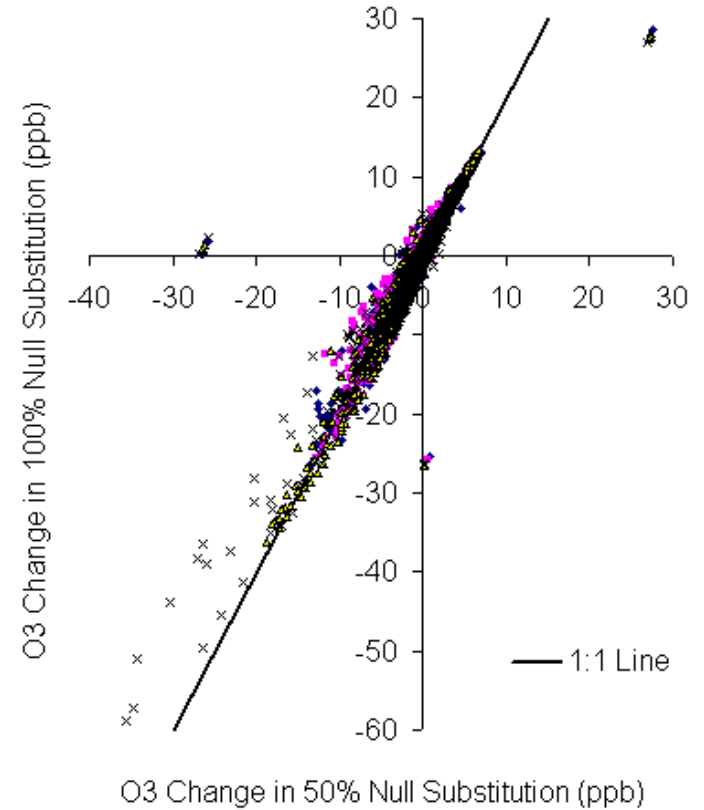
CELLS ABOVE THE O₃ STANDARDS IN ETHANE SUBSTITUTION CALCULATIONS

CALCULATIONS FOR JUNE 14 IN 23K DOMAIN



A NULL TEST USING A SUBSTITUTION FACTOR FROM THE AVERAGE O₃ METRIC BEST PREDICTION OF FRACTIONS OF CELLS OVER STANDARDS

COMPARISON OF ΔO₃ IN 50% AND 100% NULL SUBSTITUTION CALCULATIONS



CONCLUSIONS

GENERAL

NO_x CONTROL IS MORE EFFECTIVE THAN VOC CONTROL IN MOST OF THIS MODELING DOMAIN

BIOGENIC VOCs DOMINATE OVER ANTHROPOGENICS IN MOST IN MOST OF THIS MODELING DOMAIN

ANTHROPOGENIC VOC SOURCE TYPE REACTIVITY CONTRIBUTIONS ARE: AREA: ~50%; MOBILE: ~30%; POINT: ~20%

RELATIVE REACTIVITIES VARY WITH LOCATION AND FROM DAY-TO-DAY, BUT VARIABILITY IS LESS IN THE MORE VOC-SENSITIVE CELLS

COMPARABLE REACTIVITY RESULTS ARE OBTAINED IN THE DIFFERENT GRID SIZE DOMAINS

BASE ROG SENSITIVITIES ARE GOOD APPROXIMATIONS OF SENSITIVITIES TO TOTAL ANTHROPOGENIC VOCs

CONCLUSIONS (CONTINUED)

REGIONAL METRICS

THE MINIMUM SUBSTITUTION ERROR AND REGIONAL AVERAGE O₃ METRICS REPRESENT TWO TYPES OF APPROACHES TO DERIVE TRUE GLOBAL METRICS

- BOTH TAKE IMPACTS ON ALL CELLS INTO ACCOUNT, BUT MIN. SUBST. ERROR GIVES GREATER WEIGHT VOC-SENSITIVE AREAS
- NEITHER METRICS AFFECTED SIGNIFICANTLY BY EXCLUDING LOW O₃ OR OVER-WATER CELLS
- BOTH METHODS GIVE ALMOST SAME RESULTS FOR 8-HOUR AS 1-HOUR O₃ QUANTIFICATION
- CONSISTENT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO METHODS FOR SOME SPECIES. AVERAGE O₃ RELATIVE REACTIVITIES ARE:
 - HIGHER FOR SLOWLY REACTING SPECIES
 - LOWER FOR RADICAL INITIATING SPECIES

THE REGIONAL MIR METRICS GIVES COMPARABLE RESULTS TO MINIMUM SUBST. ERROR EXCEPT

- MIR SOMEWHAT LOWER FOR SLOWER REACTING COMPOUNDS
- MIR USUALLY HIGHER FOR FORMALDEHYDE

THE REGIONAL AVERAGE O₃ METRIC GIVES THE MOST VARIABLE RESULTS BECAUSE OF VARYING CONDITIONS WHERE PEAK O₃ OCCUR

CONCLUSIONS (CONTINUED)

EKMA vs REGIONAL MODELS

EKMA-BASED REACTIVITY SCALES ARE VERY SIMILAR TO REGIONAL SCALES DERIVED USING A COMPARABLE METRIC.

- EKMA REACTIVITIES OF SLOWLY REACTING COMPOUNDS TEND TO BE SOMEWHAT LOWER
- EKMA REACTIVITIES OF OTHER COMPOUNDS IN RANGE OF REGIONAL VARIABILITY

LARGE SCALE SUBSTITUTIONS

INCREMENTAL REACTIVITY ANALYSIS CAN GIVE FAIR ESTIMATES OF VERY LARGE SCALE SUBSTITUTIONS

REMOVING AVOCs BUT NOT NO_x GIVES RELATIVELY SMALL REGIONAL O₃ REDUCTIONS.

O₃ INCREASES APPROXIMATELY LINEARLY AS AMOUNT OF ETHANE REPLACING AVOCs INCREASES

- MOLE-BASED ETHANE SUBST. GIVES HALF THE O₃ CHANGE AS MASS-BASED BECAUSE ETHANE HAS ABOUT HALF THE AVERAGE AVOC MWt.

ETHANE NULL-TEST SUBSTITUTIONS BASED ON MSE GIVE HIGHER O₃ IN MOST OF THE DOMAIN, BUT LOWER O₃ IN AVOC-SENSITIVE AREAS

AVERAGE O₃ METRIC PERFORMS BETTER IN NULL-TEST PREDICTIONS OF NUMBERS OF CELLS OVER THE 1-HOUR AND 8-HOUR STANDARDS

IMPLICATIONS

REGIONAL AND EKMA MODELS GIVE DIRECTIONALLY CONSISTENT REACTIVITY RANKINGS FOR MOST MAJOR TYPES OF REACTIVE VOCs

THE LEAST VARIABLE REACTIVITY METRICS ARE THOSE BASED ON IMPACTS IN THE ENTIRE DOMAIN

AVERAGING TIME FOR THE O₃ STANDARDS SHOULD NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT REACTIVITY SCALES

ALTHOUGH RANKINGS ARE USUALLY PRESERVED, NUMERICAL METRICS DEPEND ON HOW IMPACTS IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF AREAS ARE WEIGHED

RECOMMENDATIONS

MORE QUALITATIVE RESEARCH ON WHETHER REACTIVITY "WORKS" IS PROBABLY NOT NEEDED.

POLICY MAKERS NEED TO DECIDE SOON ON WHAT TYPE OF METRIC IS BEST FOR REGULATORY USE

RESEARCH SHOULD FOCUS ON HOW BEST TO CALCULATE REACTIVITY SCALES WITH THIS METRIC

- USE STATE-OF-SCIENCE DETAILED AND EXPERIMENTALLY-EVALUATED MECHANISMS
- REPRESENT THE FULL RANGE OF CONDITIONS THAT AFFECT THE CHOSEN METRIC
- NEED TO DEVELOP APPROPRIATE MODELING APPROACH TO CALCULATE A COMPLETE SCALE