



High spatio-temporal RDE NOx emissions from in-service buses

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Fast RDE NO_x and NO



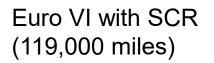
- Based on CLD with T_{10-90%} response time of ~2 milliseconds
- Two channels
- Capable of simultaneously logging vehicle ECU data
- Integrated GPS data
- Dashcam
- 12V (car) battery powered





Vehicles tested

Euro V hybrid with SCR (251,000 miles)



Euro 5 passenger car 7-seater diesel no SCR (80,000 miles)









Sampling arrangements

• Fast NOx measured immediately post aftertreatment in both buses

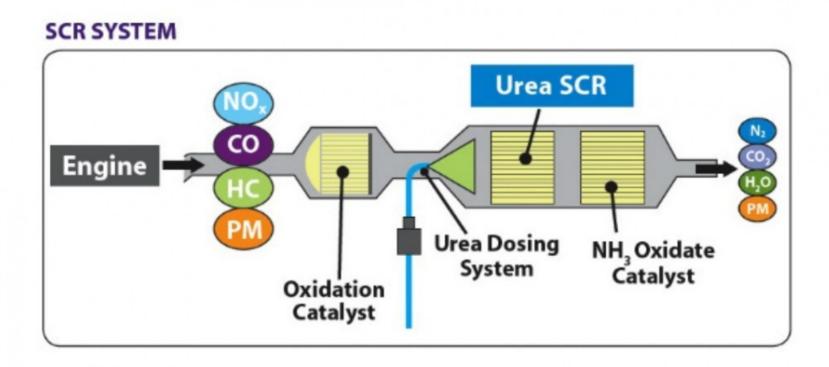


- Euro VI bus with additional exhaust temperature measurement
- GPS, dashcam and emissions logged from within in-service bus





SCR NOx aftertreatment system fundamentals

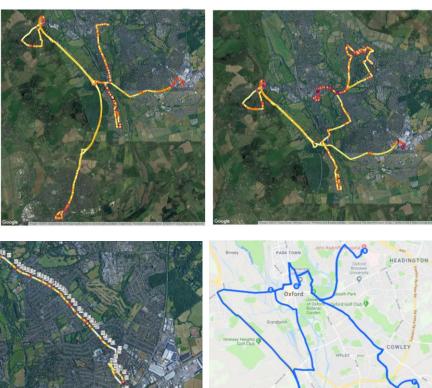






Routes

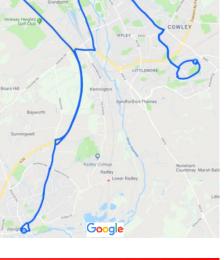
Euro V hybrid - 35A / X3 / 13 (Kennington – Matthew Arnold School – Abingdon – City Centre – JR Hospital)



Euro VI – City 5 Blackbird Leys – City Centre

Euro 5 car Equivalent routes as "taxi" (where road constraints permitted)

All tested on "hot" summer days (17, 26, 29°C)





Accuracy of GPS

- Differential GPS measurements accurate to 0.1 cm
- Gives accuracy on emissions ~30 cm







NOx measurements

- NOx measured in ppm
- Without exhaust mass flow data, or high speed rpm cannot obtain mass
- All data is therefore comparative not legislatively compliant tests
- Estimates can be made at idle:

	EU V bus	EU VI bus	EU 5 car
Passenger capacity	73	101	7
Engine capacity	4.76 I	5.11	21
NOx ppm	350	100	110 / 190*
NOx g/h	66	20	8 / 15*
NOx g/h/passenger	0.90	0.20	1.14 / 2.14*

*Air con off / on

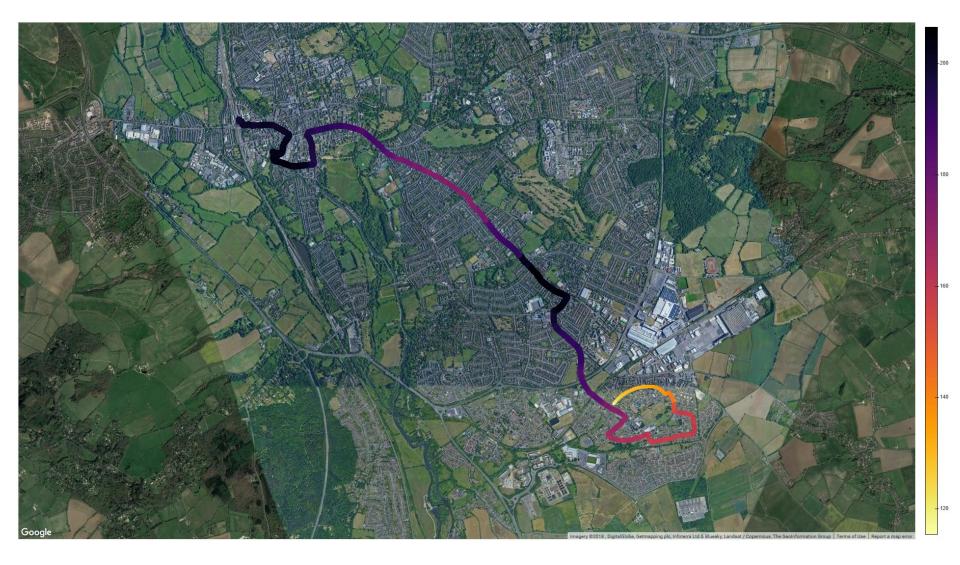


Process of identifying reasons for "emissions events"

- Record emissions, GPS, dashcam and thermocouple data
- Identify and number all significant tailpipe emissions events
- Zoom in to precise location of event (affects local air quality?)
- Plot emissions data alongside dashcam and exhaust temperature



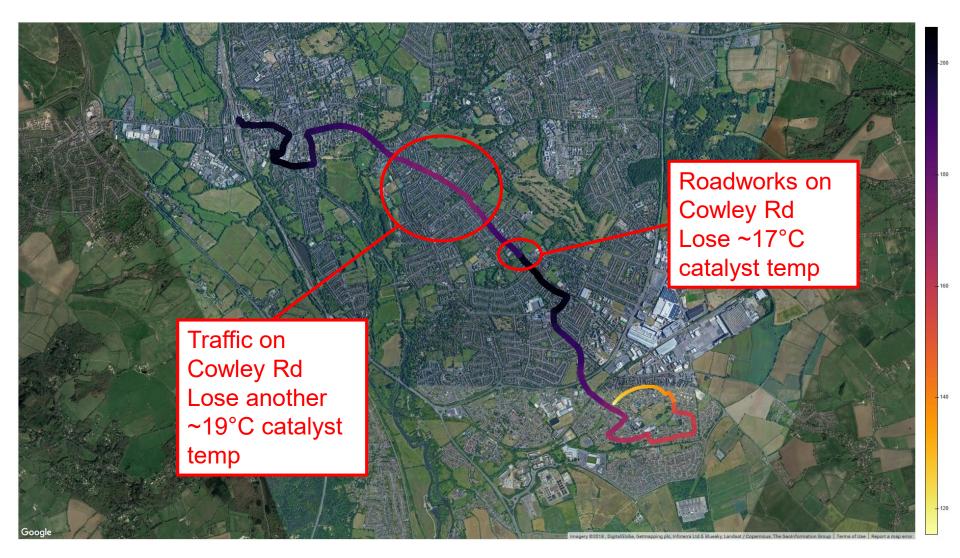
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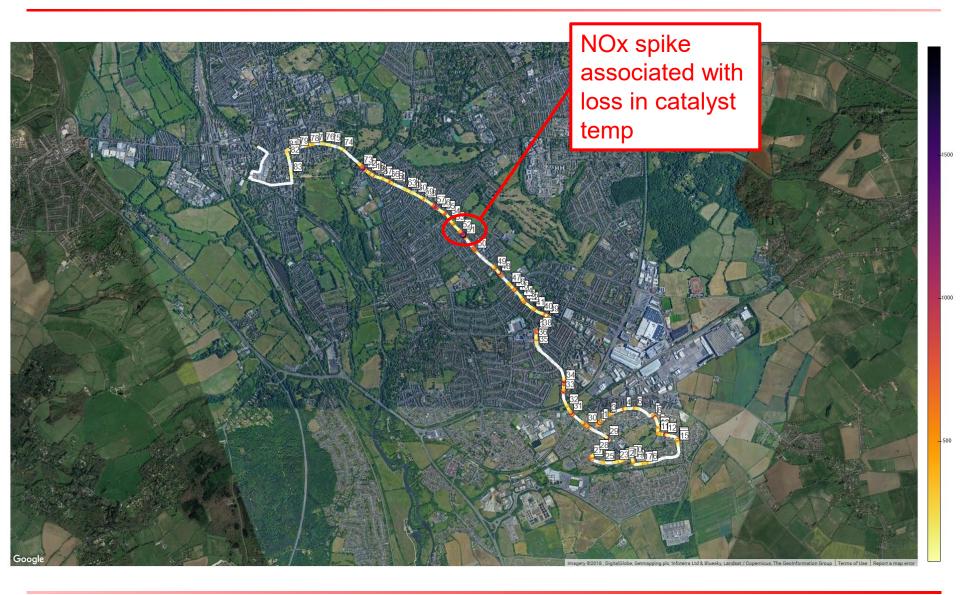
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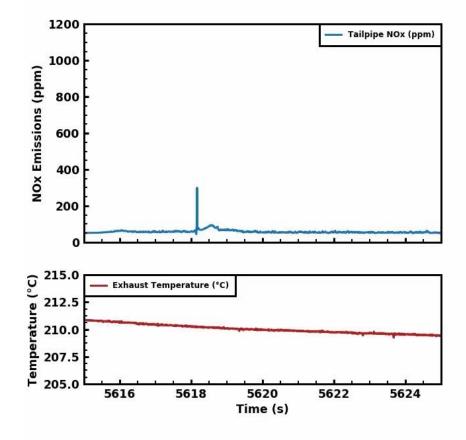
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Eu VI bus stop manoeuvre

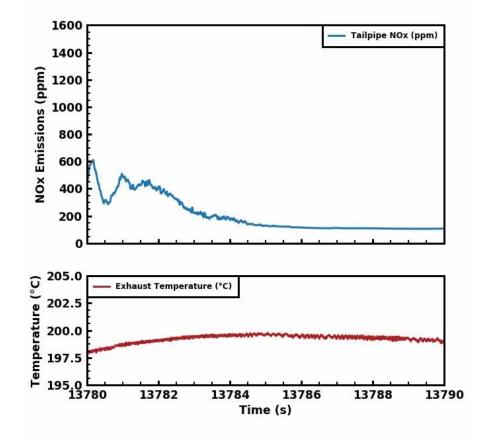








#73. Run 3 North Eu VI: The Plain roundabout









Typical emissions manoeuvres ...

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Eu V & VI start of route

- Cold start → high NOx emissions
- EU V constant high levels, EU VI more transient

EU V

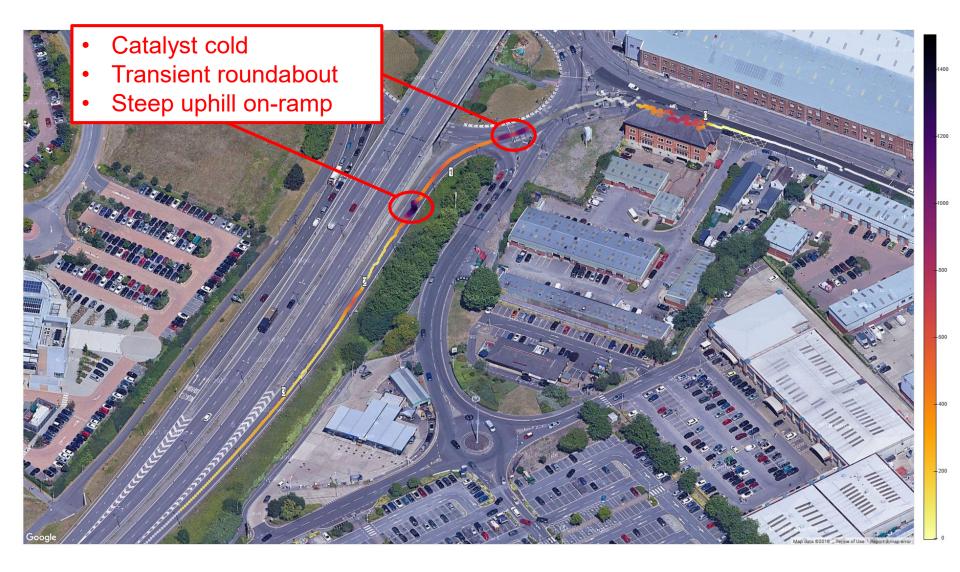
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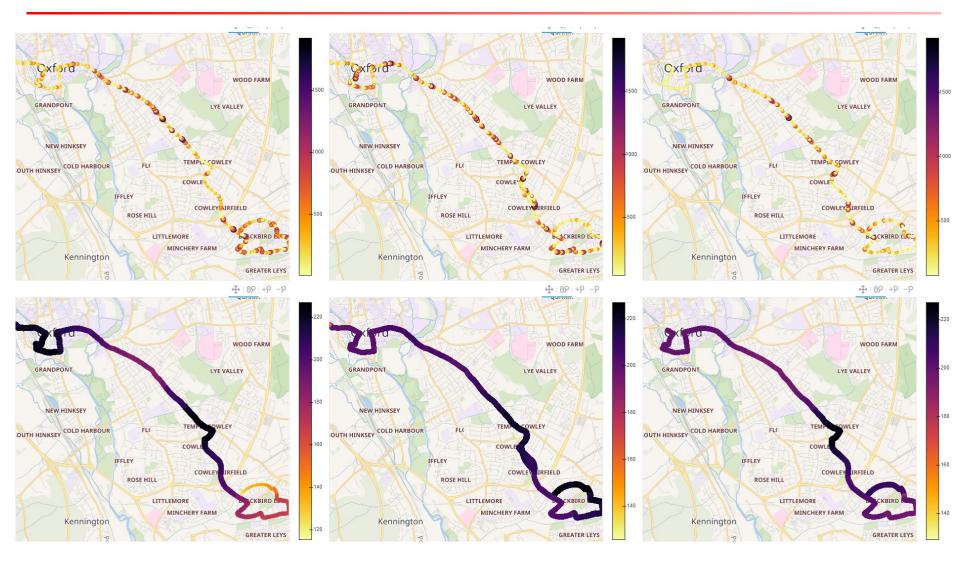
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Comparison of 3 x Eu VI north runs

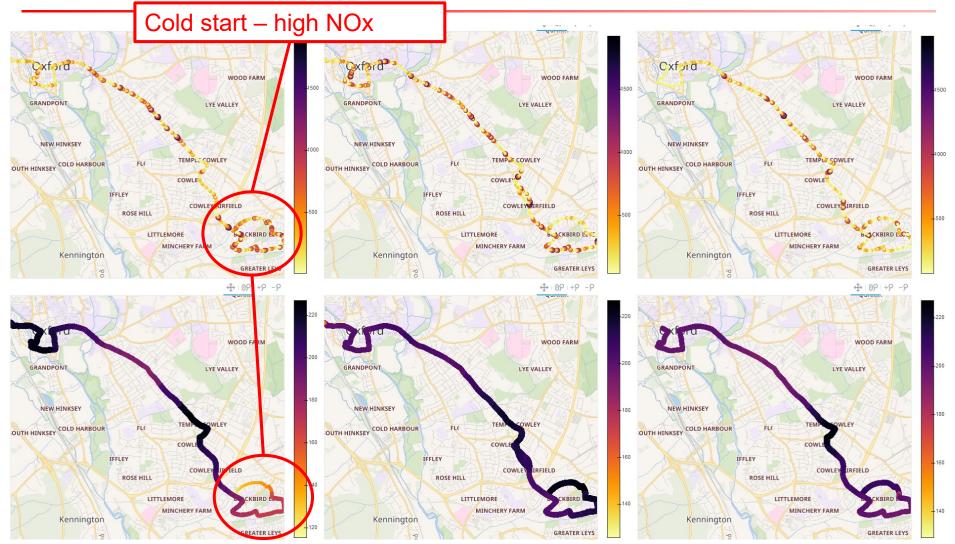


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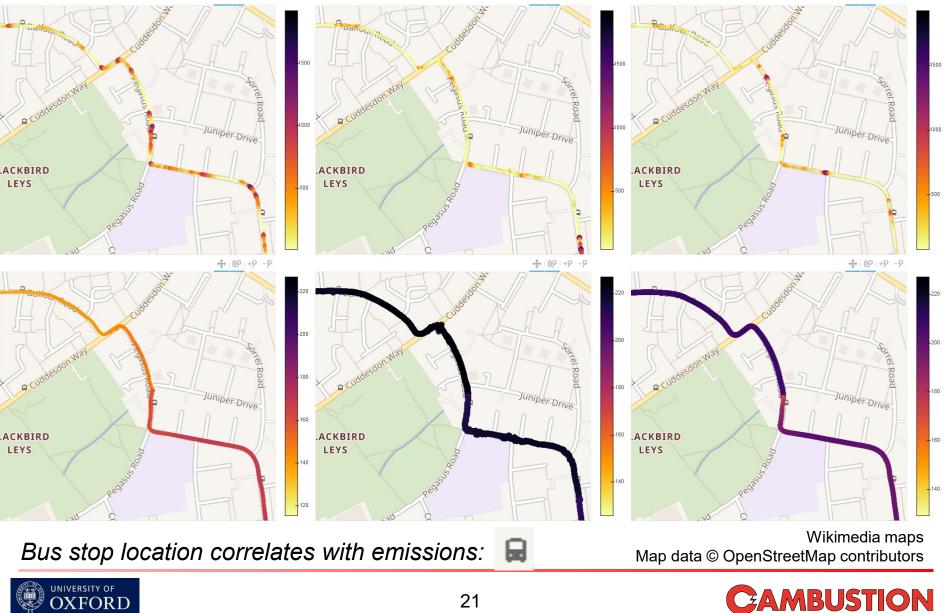


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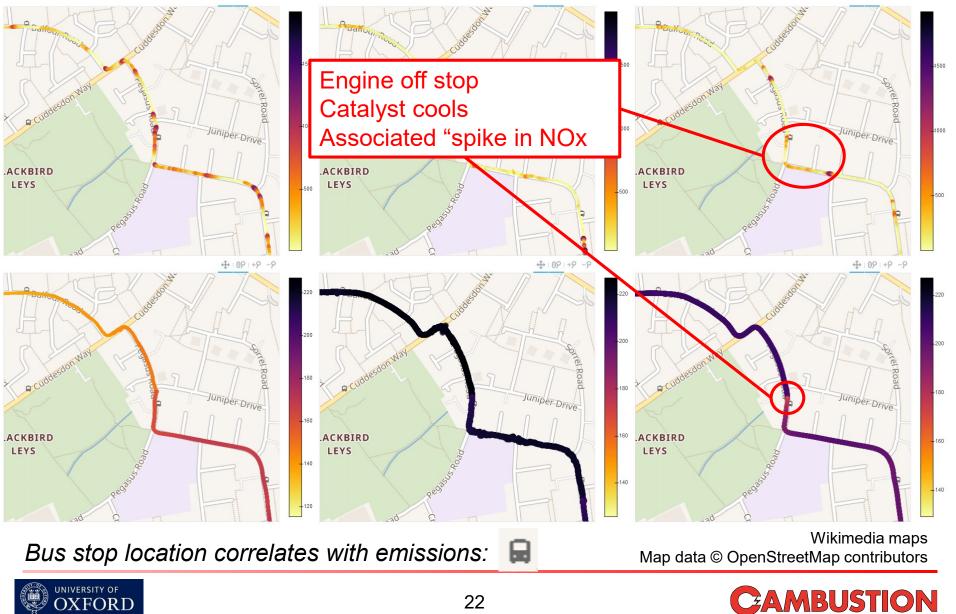


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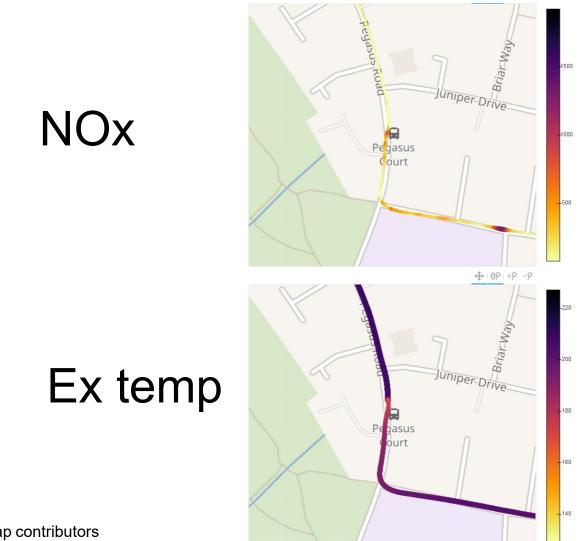


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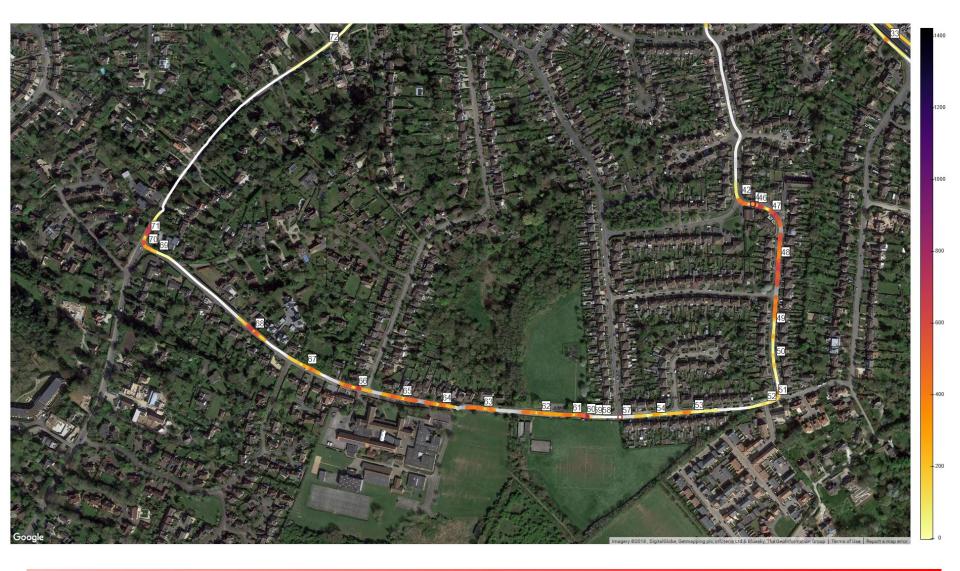


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Eu V negotiating speedbumps – MA school







NOx around school, SCR temperature dependency

Downhill, low load so little NOx produced (but SCR cooling) Uphill climb: exhaust is hot=low NOx

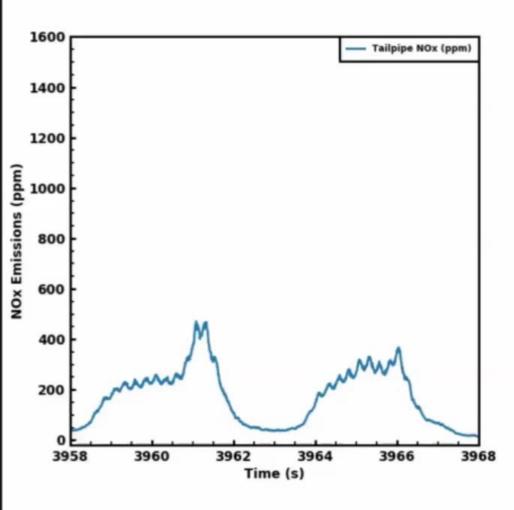
Parked cars and other obstructions

Speed bumps for school





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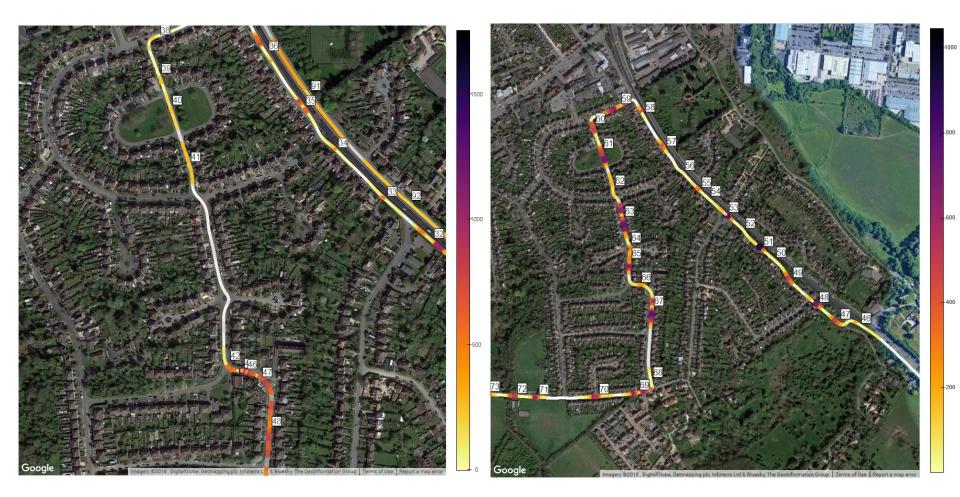




Eu V bus & Eu 5 car uphill

Bus







Comparison between our RDE route and Millbrook bus test cycle and new UKBC.

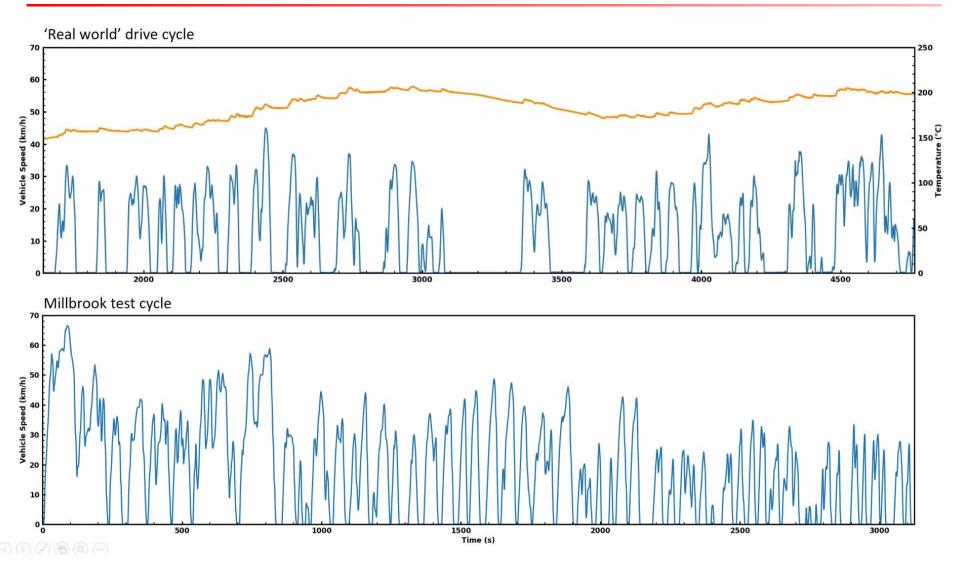
RDE was a mainly urban route, with only a short section of motorway travelling to the first bus stop. Key observations:

- The accelerations are much more spread out, longer stops, cooling everything down between sharp accelerations...
- The accelerations are to marginally lower speeds (20-30 km/h, occasionally hitting 45).
- There is only one 'high speed' event, at the very start, which matches the cycle, however here there are a couple of long stops before the route starts.
- Average stopped time EUVI: 1019s,
- stopped time UKBC: 780s,
- stopped time Millbrook: 708s





Comparison with Millbrook cycles

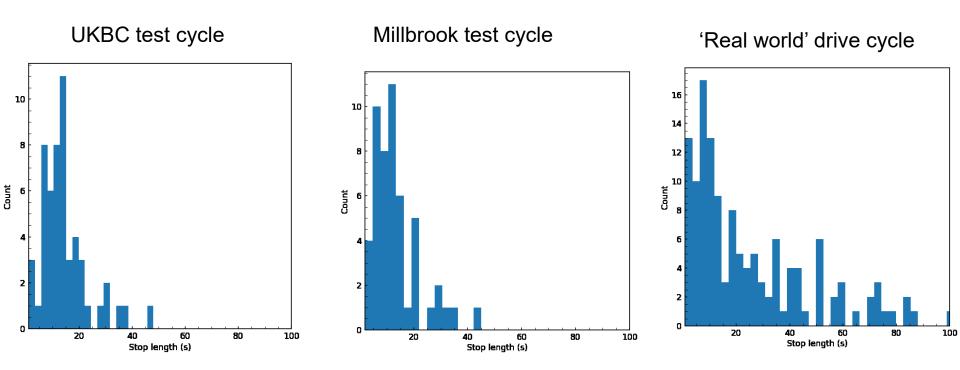




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Stop length distribution (cut at 100s)



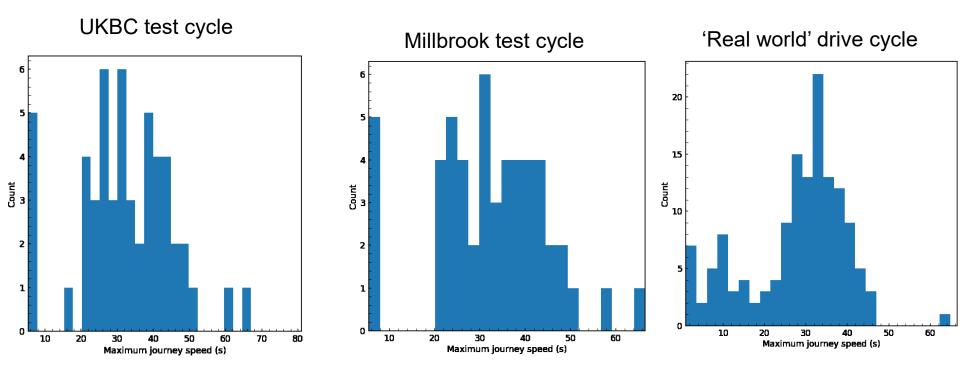
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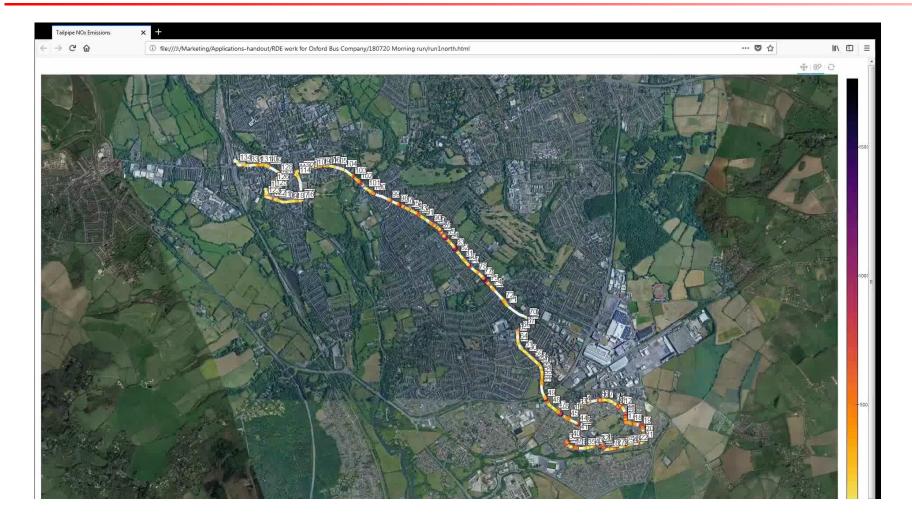
EUVI Maximum speed distribution



RDE has lower speeds – less catalyst heating opportunity?



Emissions maps



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Possible data gathering improvements

- Get some engine (ECU) data logged as fast as possible to align with emissions data
- Produce repeatable transients for direct comparisons (e.g. exhaust temperature, speed bump, bus stop)



General conclusions

- "Repeatability" depends on road conditions, but general conclusions can be drawn
- Eu VI generally lower emissions than Eu V
- Eu 5 car generally highest emissions
- Eu VI bus has particularly noticeable NOx emissions gear change 3 & 4
- It's all about temperature:
 - Engine off stops SCR cools, NOx "puff"
 - Engine loaded (uphill, high pax load, A34) → hot SCR → low NOx
- Eu VI wait 30s after restart before moving off?



Thank you!

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Sampling arrangements near rear seats









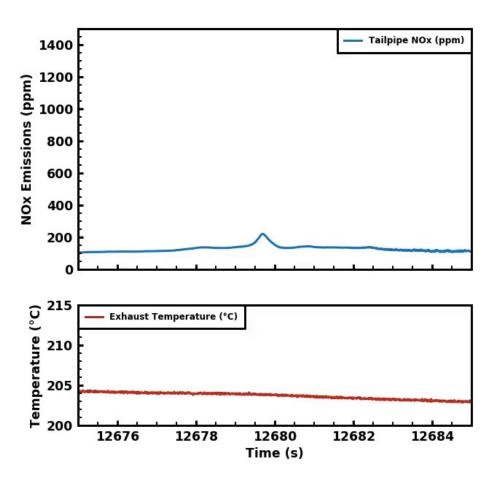
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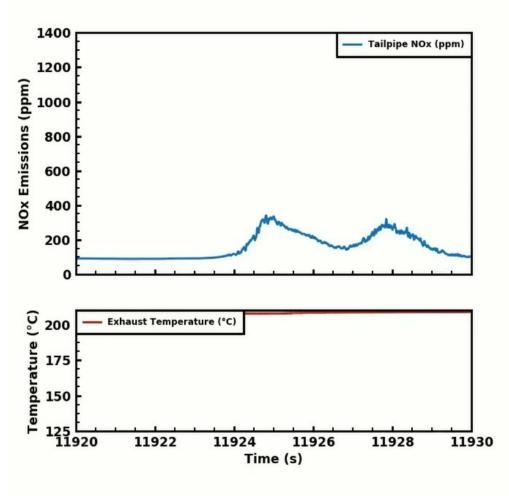








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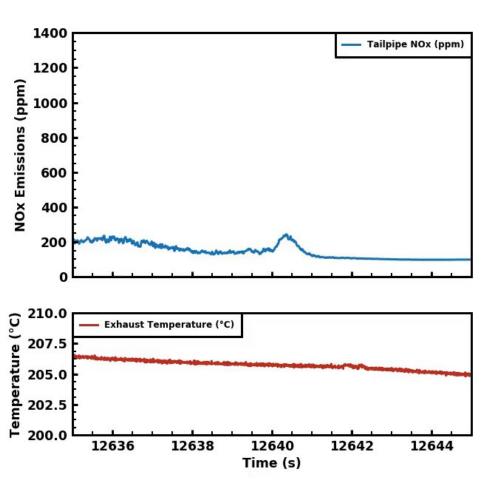


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Eu VI uphill gearshifts

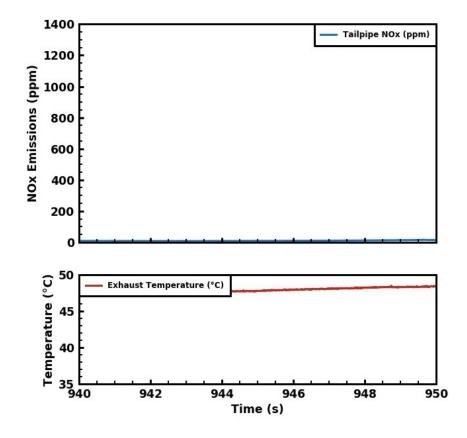








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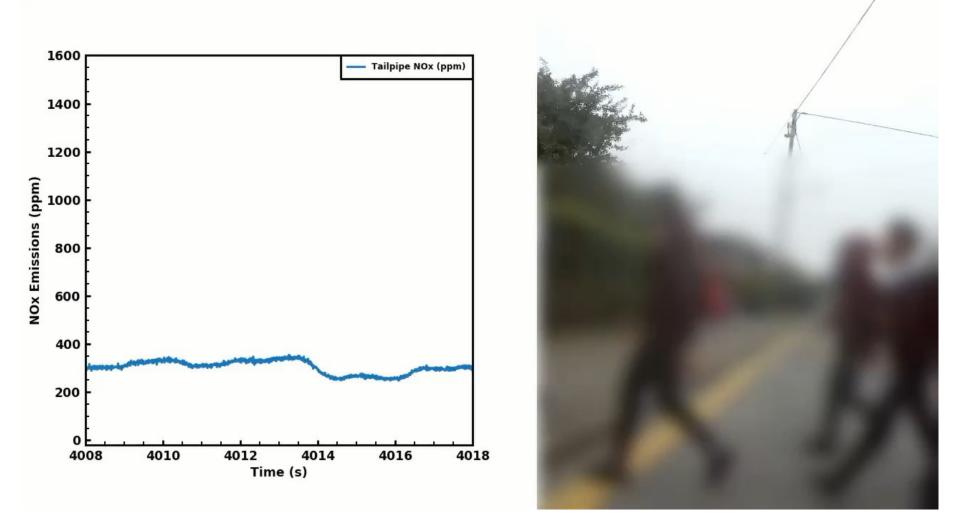






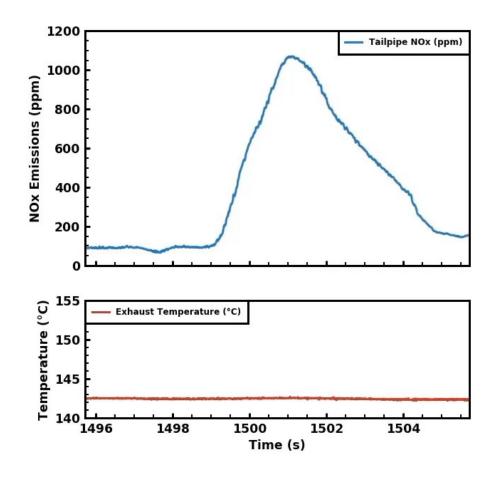


Eu V bus stop manoeuvre – Outside School





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High St comparison

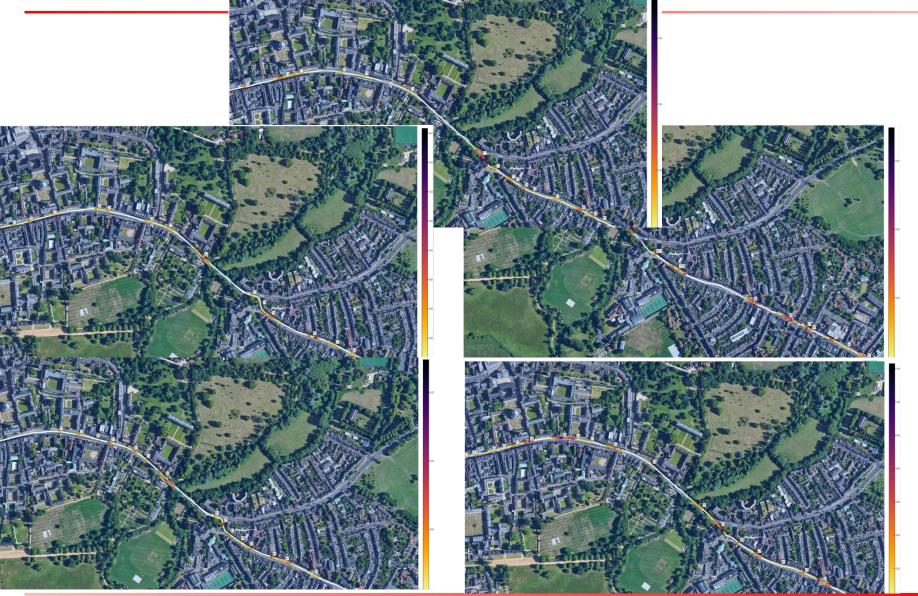
• EU V overlay







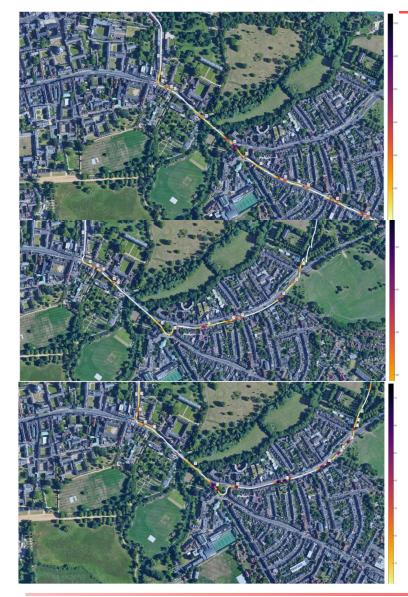
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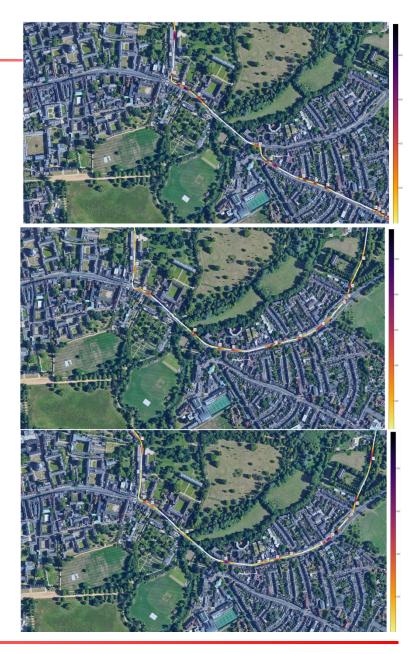






High St comparison – EU 5









Eu VI bus stop pull-away uphill

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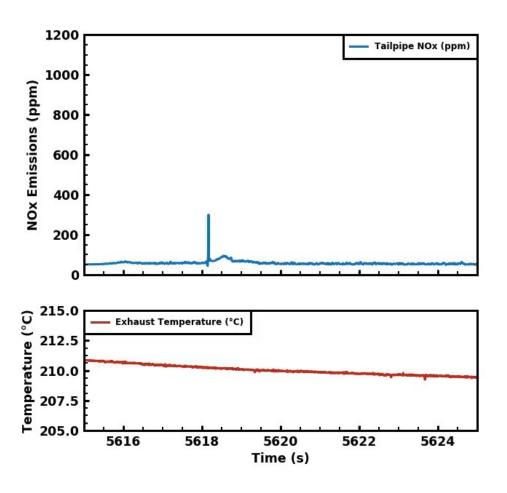






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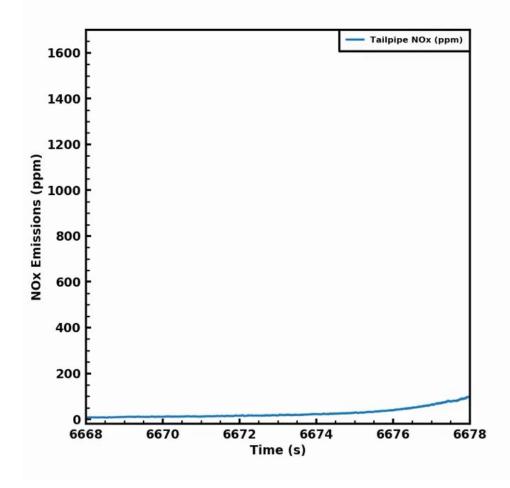








Eu V bus stop manoeuvre









Eu V bus stop manoeuvre – Town centre

