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NO_x pollution “hot spots” measured on-board a variety of passenger vehicles

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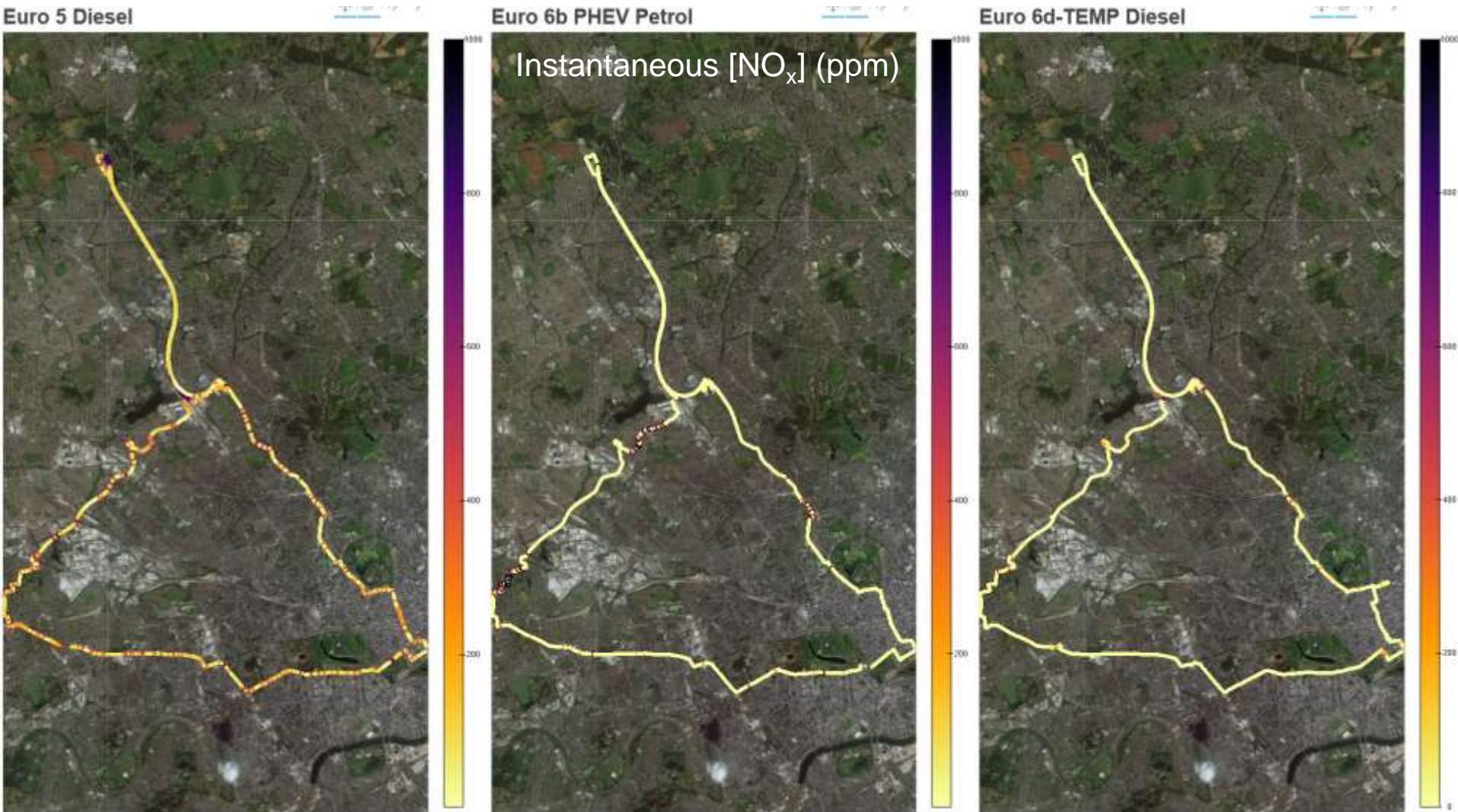
Real world Driving Emissions (RDE)

- Main challenge is transients (start, accel, decel & “unsmooth” driving), often $\ll 1$ second duration
- If a short-duration “spike” of emissions is produced, you need an instrument with a fast response time to measure it accurately
- Portable Emissions Measurement Systems (PEMS) have a response time of a few **seconds**



- Combustion emissions analyzers have a response time of a few ***milliseconds (...a thousand times faster)***

NO_x tailpipe ppm comparisons – newer cars better!



Fast Response RDE

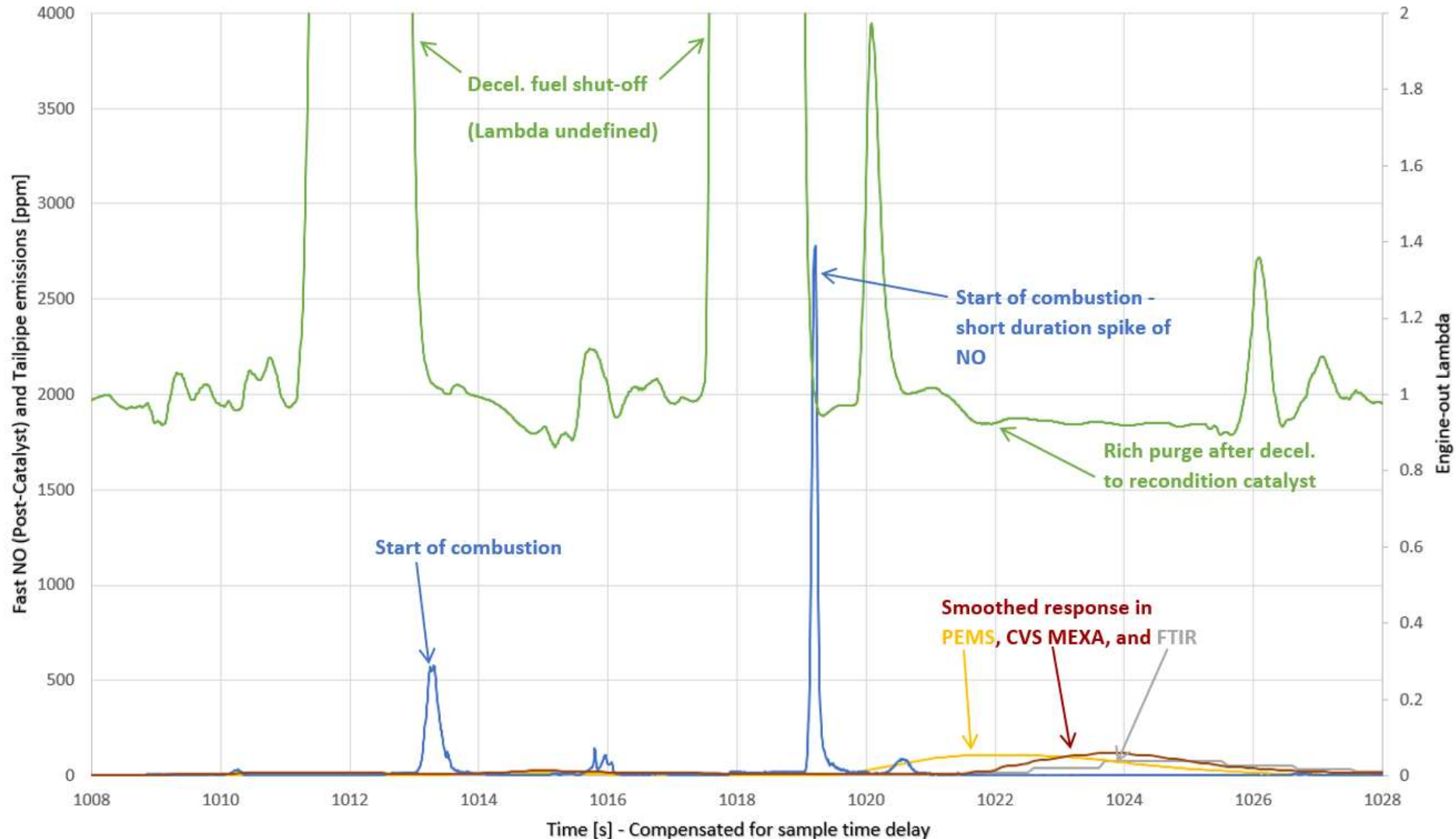


- <10 millisecond response time
- Specifically developed for transients
- Integration with vehicle data and GPS
- Helps identify vehicle “problem” conditions
- Urban pollution “hot spots”



Comparison of standard PEMS with fast RDE

Fast NO (Post Catalyst) and Tailpipe emissions vs. Engine-Out Lambda



Typical engine transients

- Cold start
- Accelerations
- Decelerations (decel fuel shut-off)
- Gear changes



Negotiating the humble speed bump!



1. Decelerate, combustion stops



2. Clutch in and engine starts (idle)



3. Accelerate away from speed bump

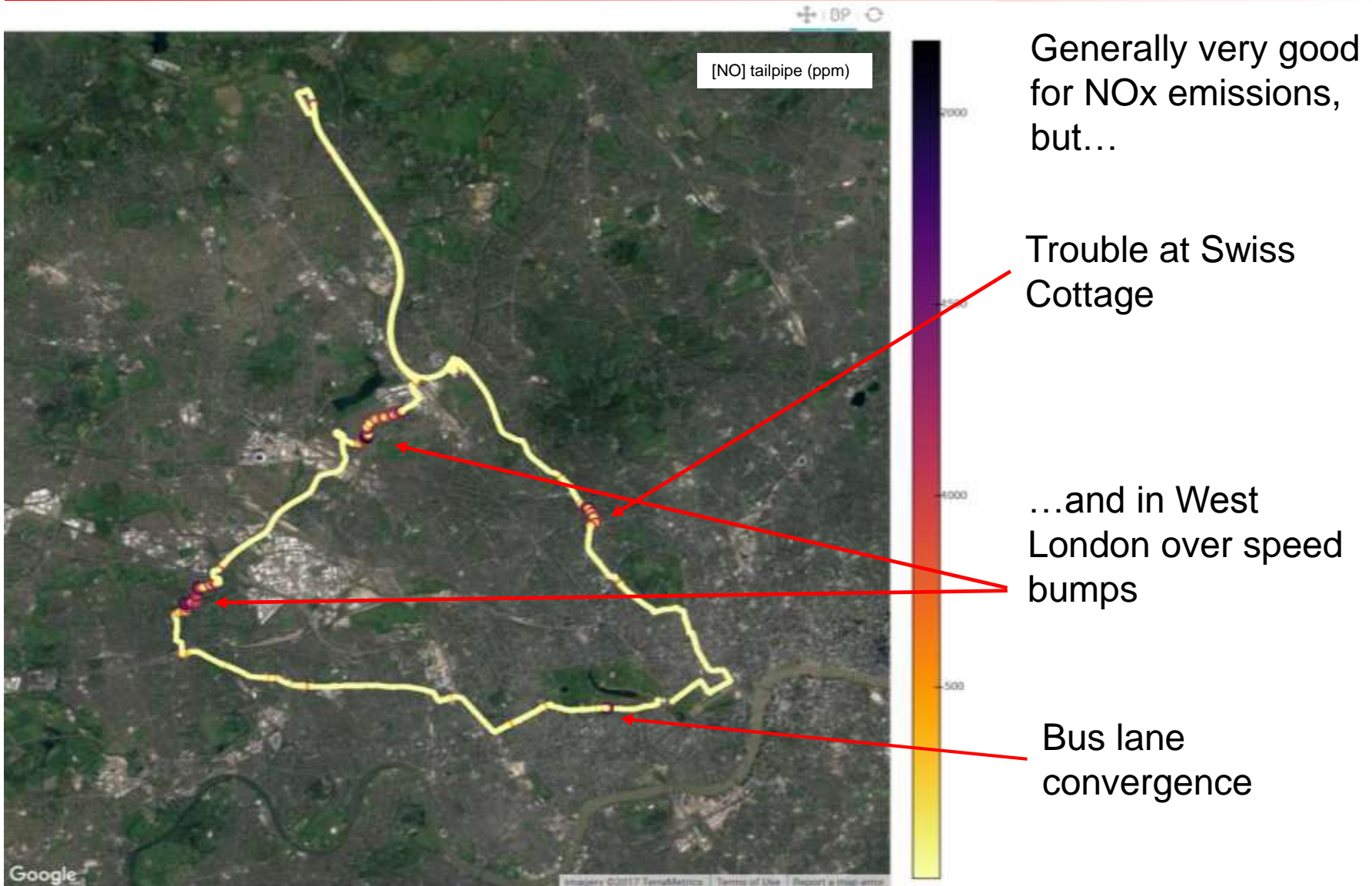


4. Change up gear and head for speed limit

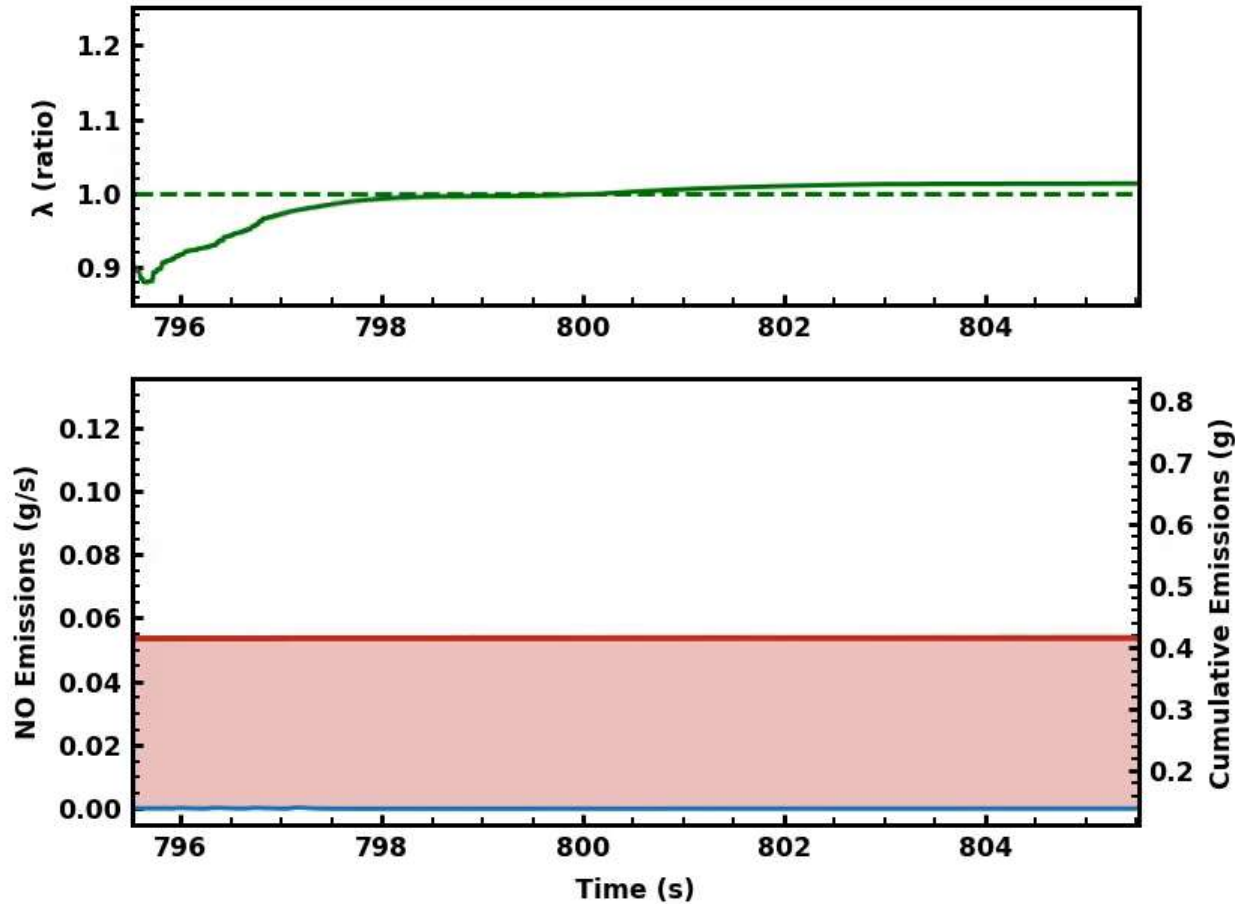


Speed bump – Euro 4 gasoline

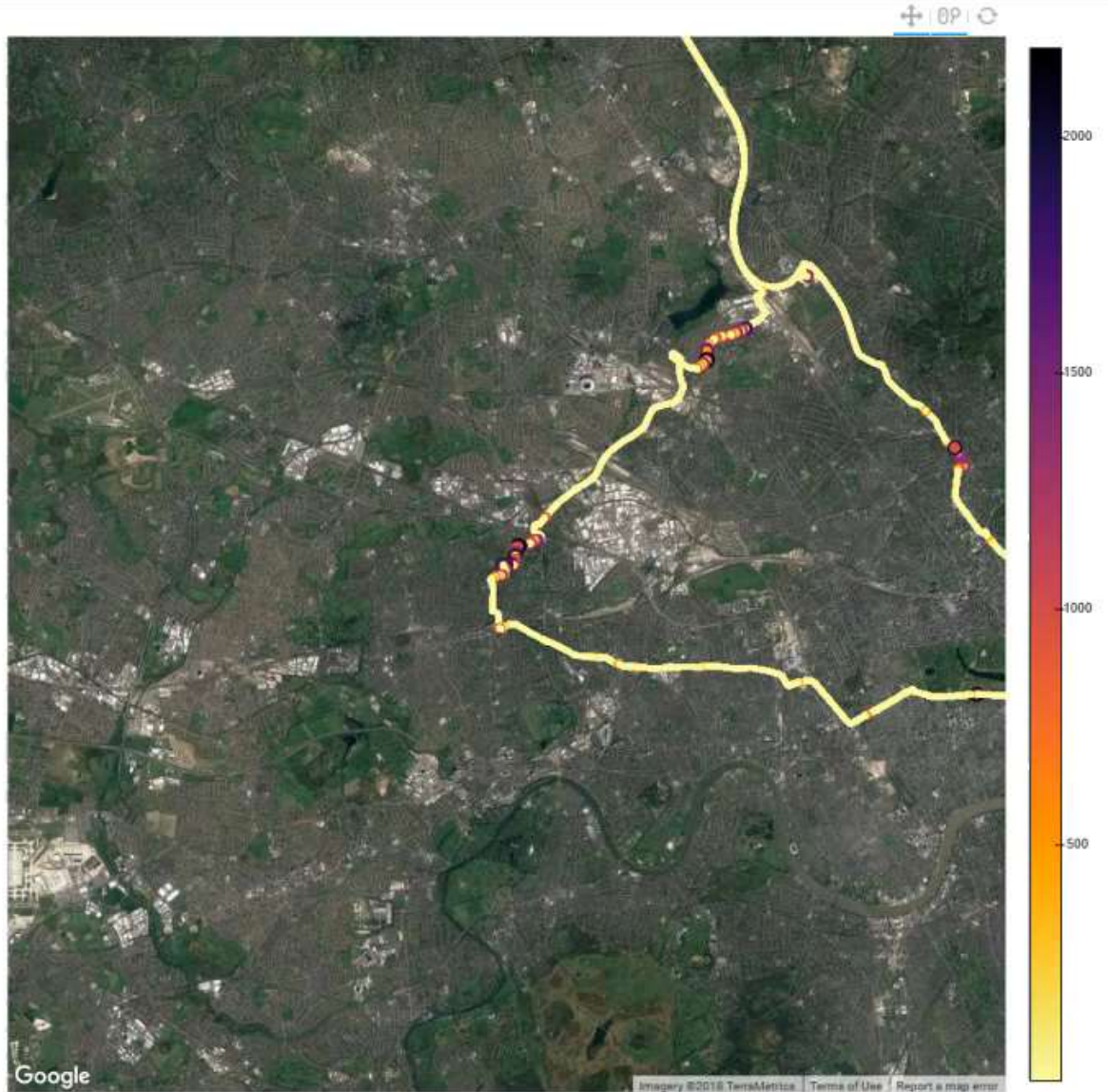
TfL West London Route with PHEV vehicle



Swiss Cottage PHEV manoeuvres NO_x emissions



Accurate NO_x concentration location measurements

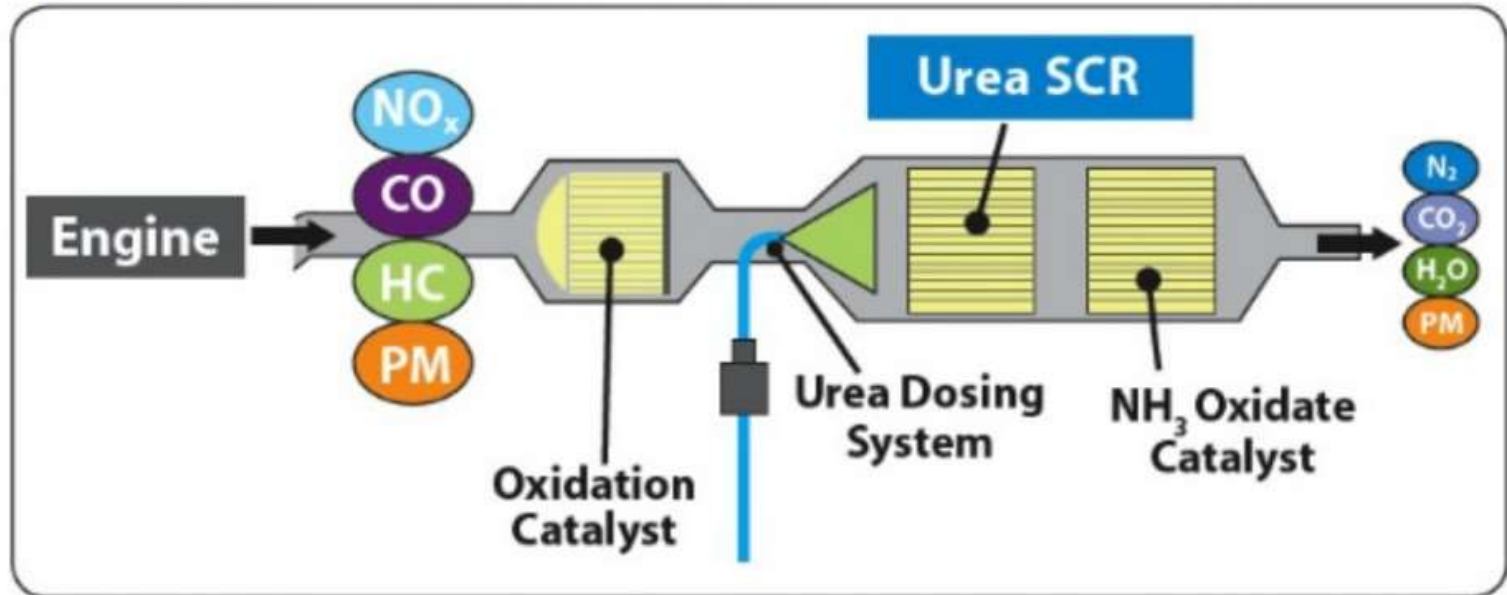


In-service bus transient NOx emissions



SCR NOx aftertreatment for modern diesels

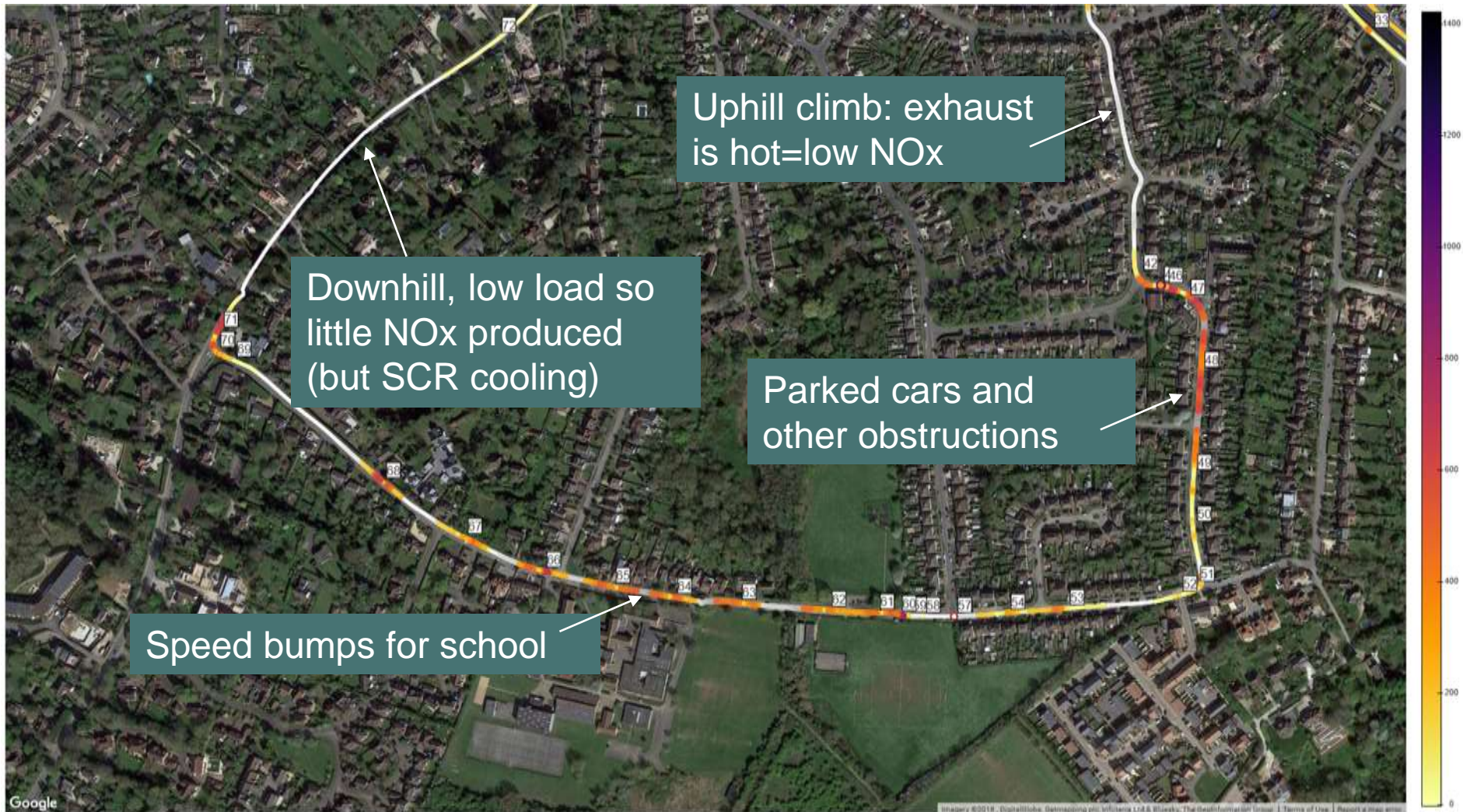
SCR SYSTEM



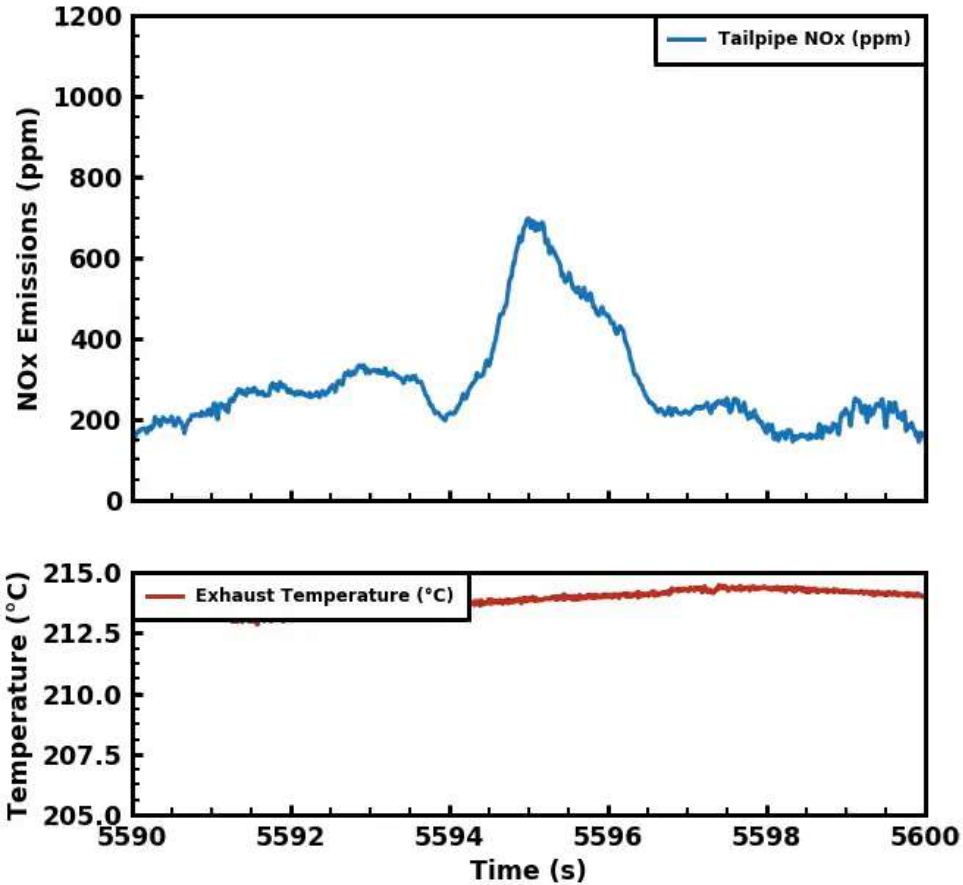
The temperature of SCR catalyst systems is crucial ($T > \sim 200\text{C}$)

Other important features are oxidation catalyst performance and urea dosing levels

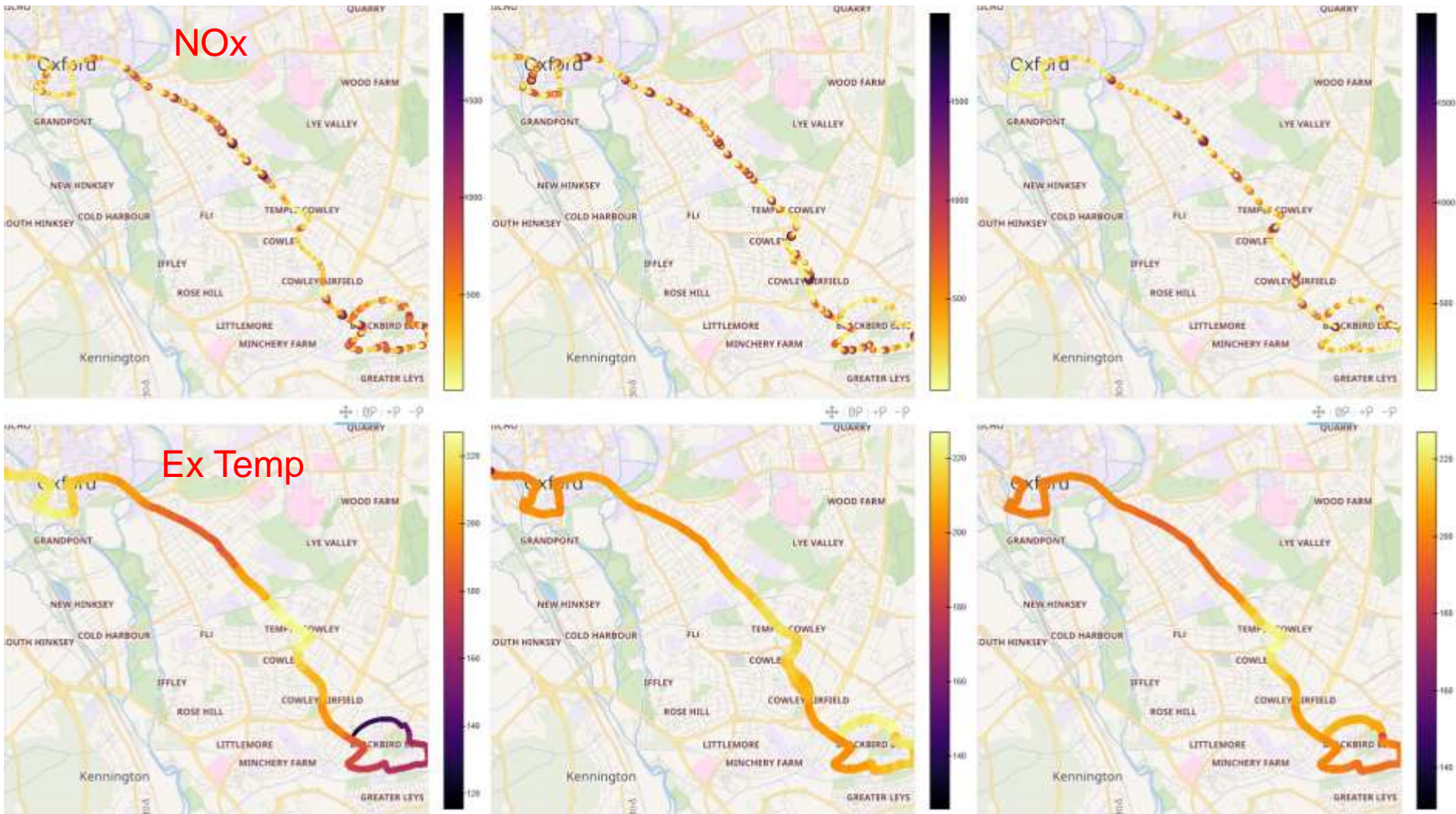
NOx around school, SCR temperature dependency



Euro VI bus: bus stop manoeuvre



Comparison of 3 x Eu VI north runs



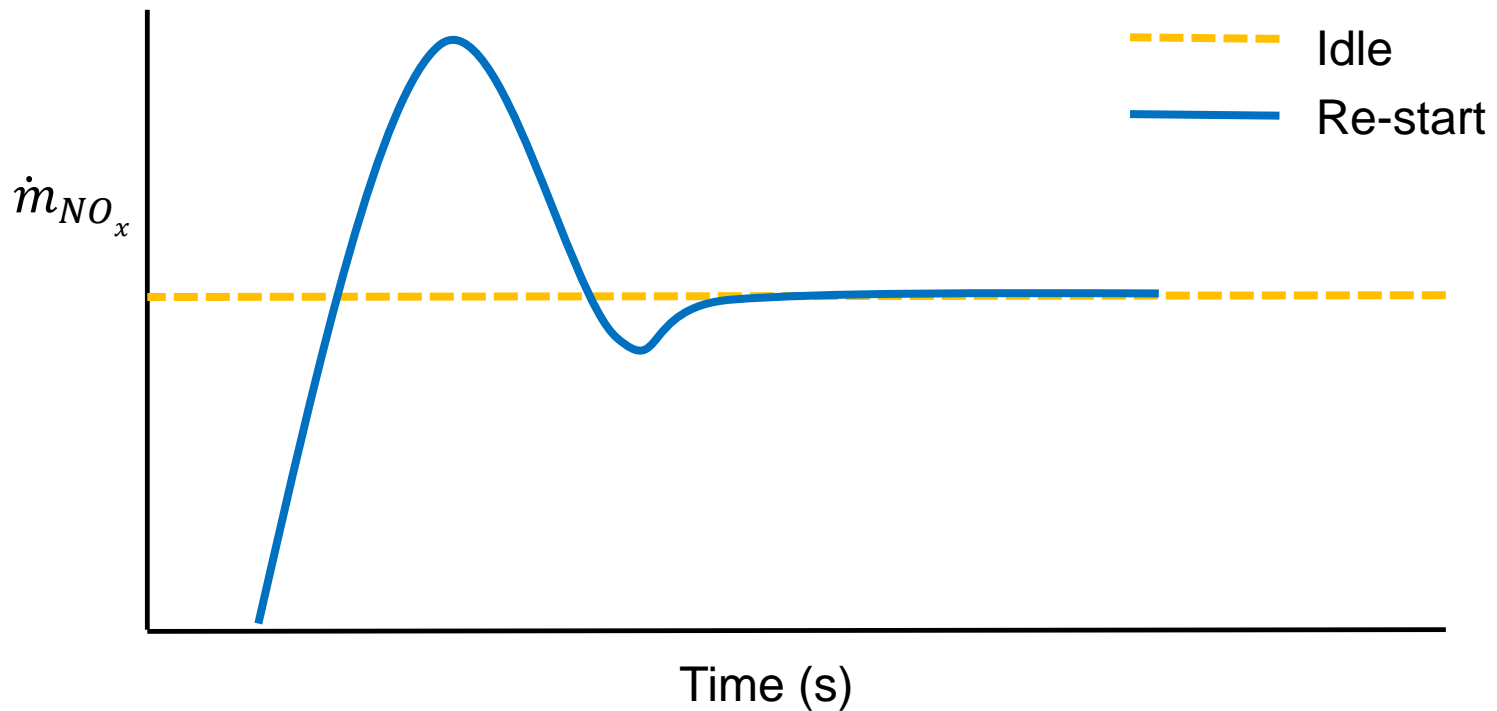
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Switch off engine – really?



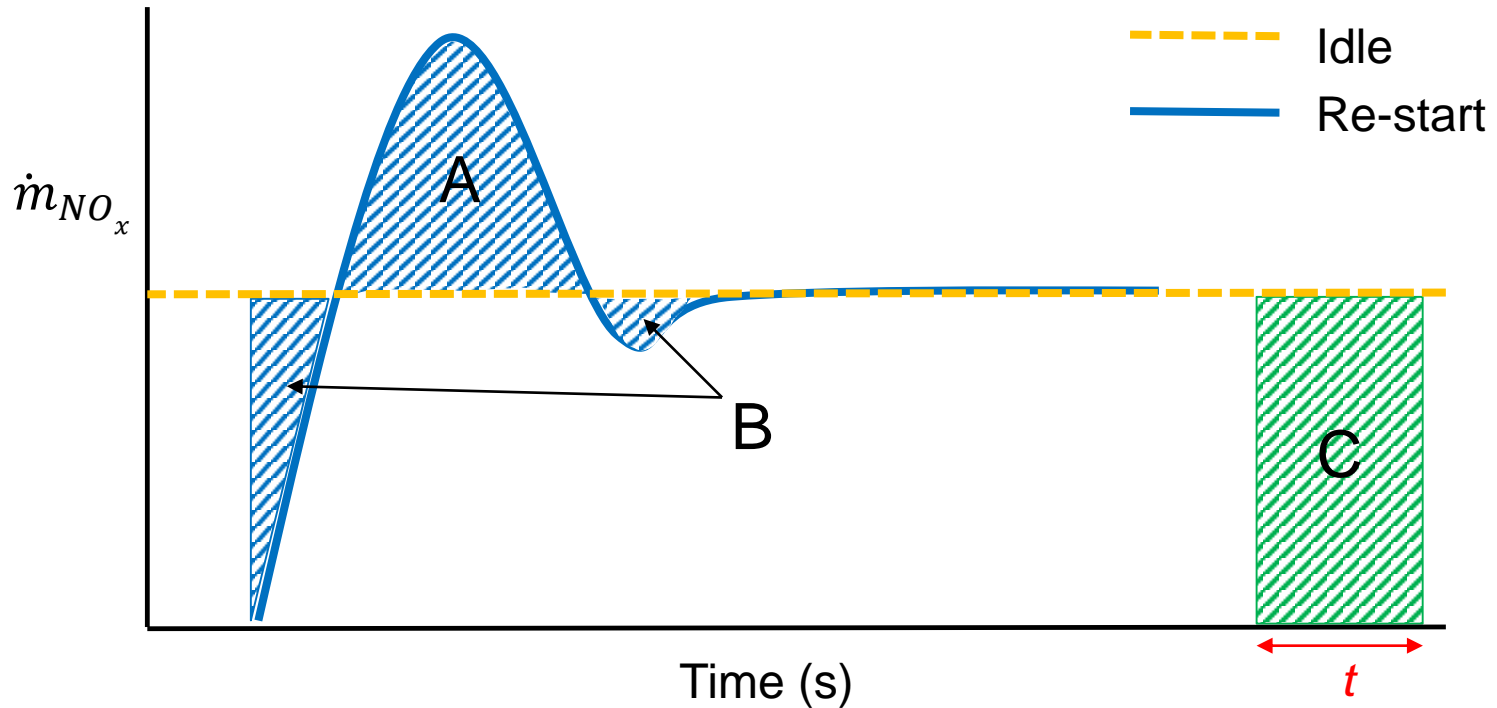
Re-start emissions

- Remember!: here we're only considering NO_x (don't forget particles, CO_2 , ammonia, HC etc etc)
- What do we mean by "idling"? It's not necessarily a stable condition!
- What do we mean by re-start emissions? The ideal shown below:..

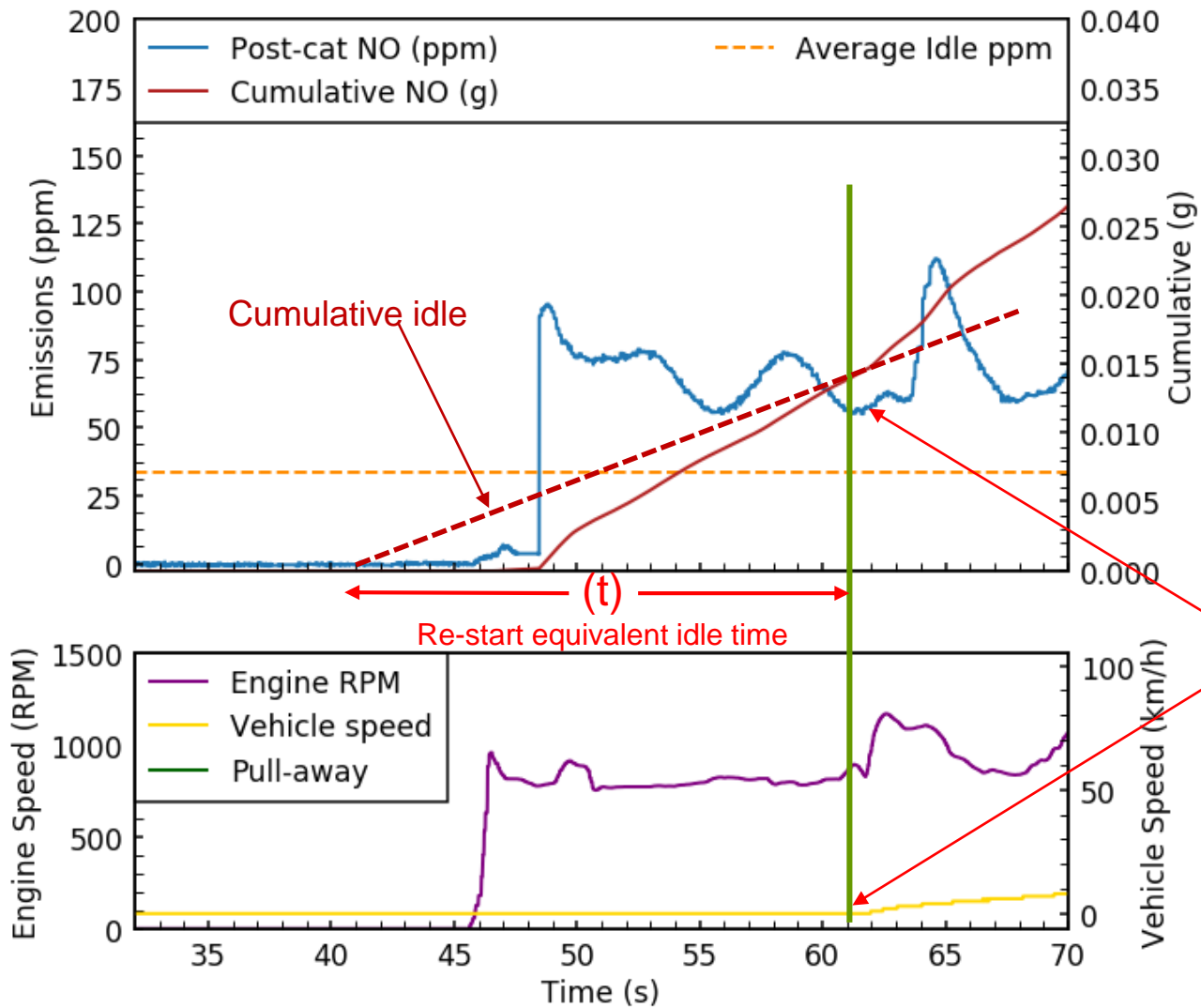


Worthwhile switch-off time calculation...

C = A-B where t is “Worthwhile switch-off time”



Real Euro 5 diesel car data



Vehicle pulls away before steady idle emissions is reached

Trade-off between cumulative idle and restart spike

Euro 5 passenger car **diesel**: ~20s

But at a different part of the drive, *the same* **Euro 5** passenger car **diesel**: *idle* = 0.47mg/s; *start* = 14mg

Therefore, *start* = 14 / 0.47 = **29.8s of idle**

Euro 6b passenger car **diesel with auto-stop/start**: *idle* = 0.06mg/s; *start* = 0.19mg

Therefore, *start* = 0.19 / 0.06 = **3.2s of idle** (or 2.7s, 2.1s, 2.7s...)

Euro 6d-TEMP passenger car **diesel**: *virtually no NO_x at idle nor at restart, so why not always switch off? Yet, the vehicle activates auto-stop-start relatively infrequently! Many parameters are checked before deployment: battery state of charge, assumed ammonia storage, catalyst temperature, etc etc...*

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