

Environment Ultrafine Particles: From Tailpipes to Ambient Background

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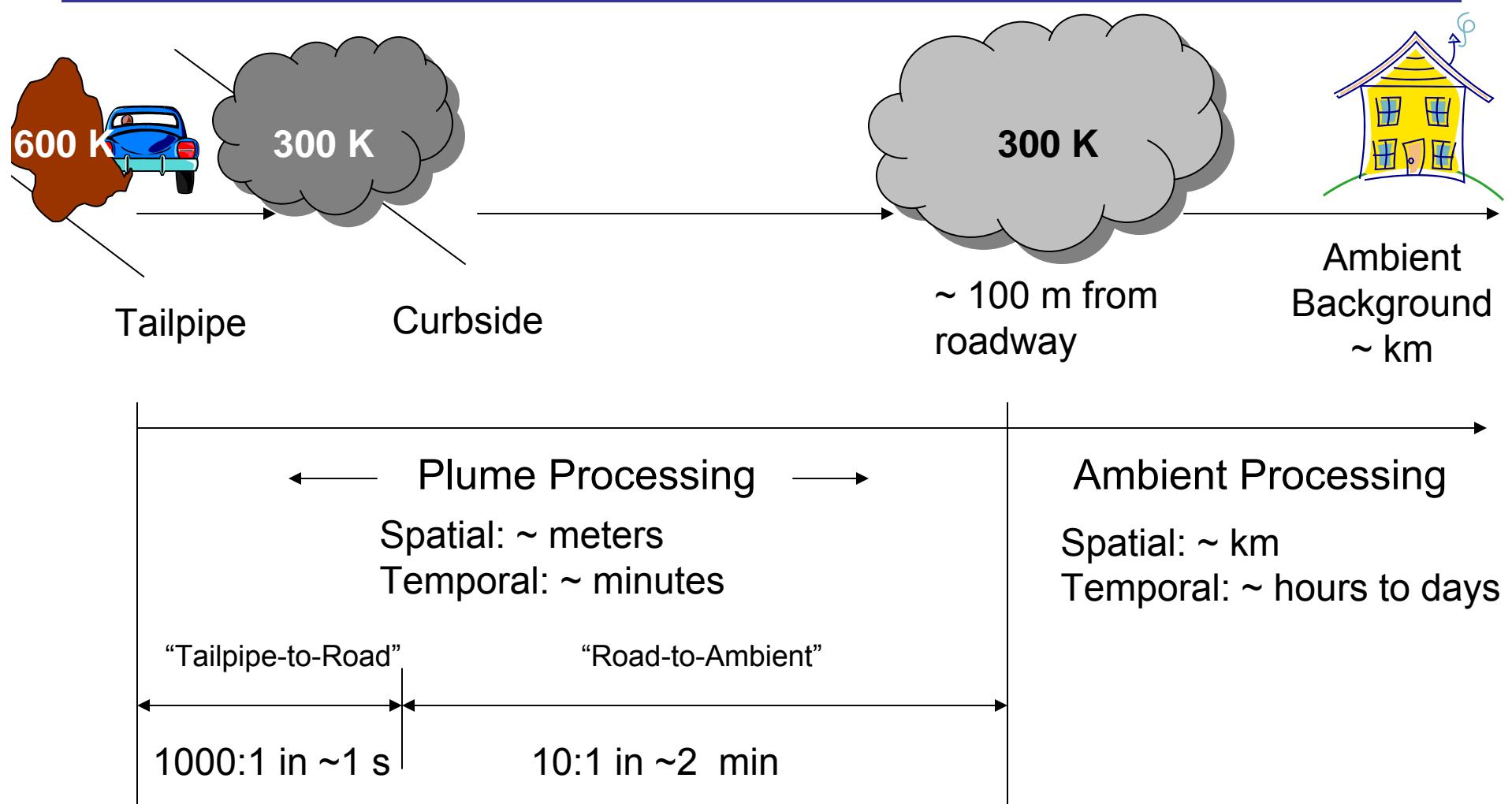
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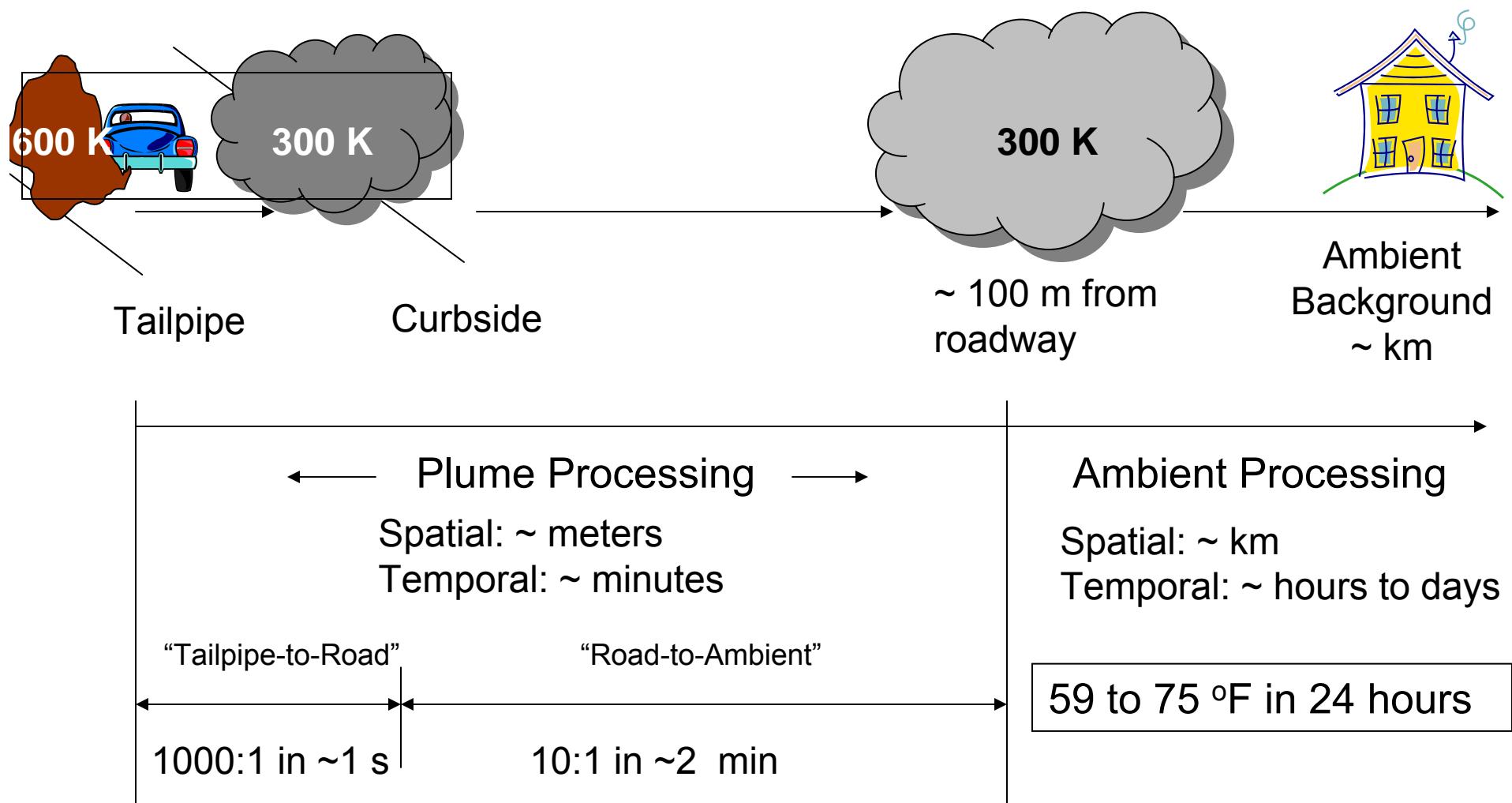


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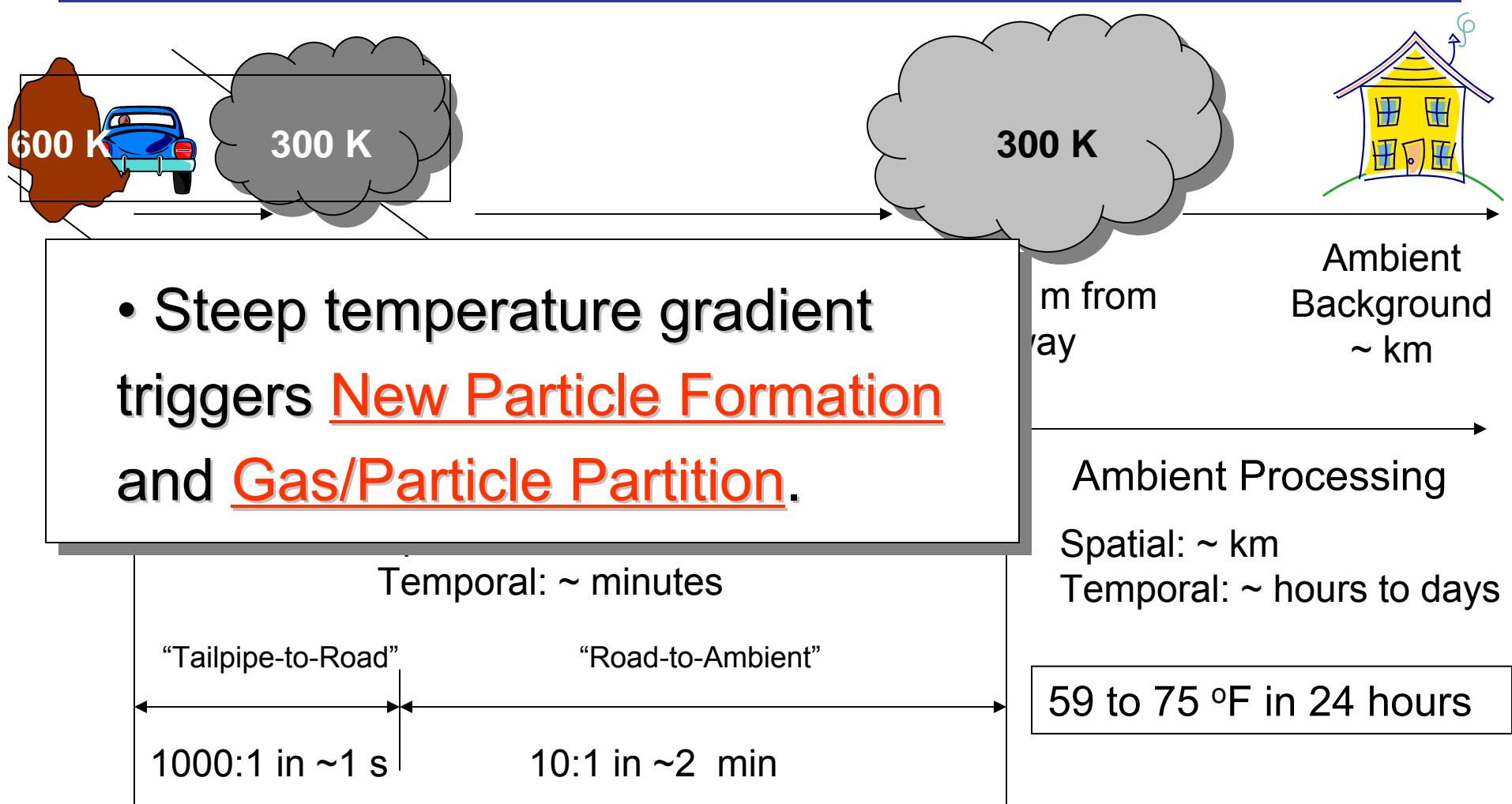
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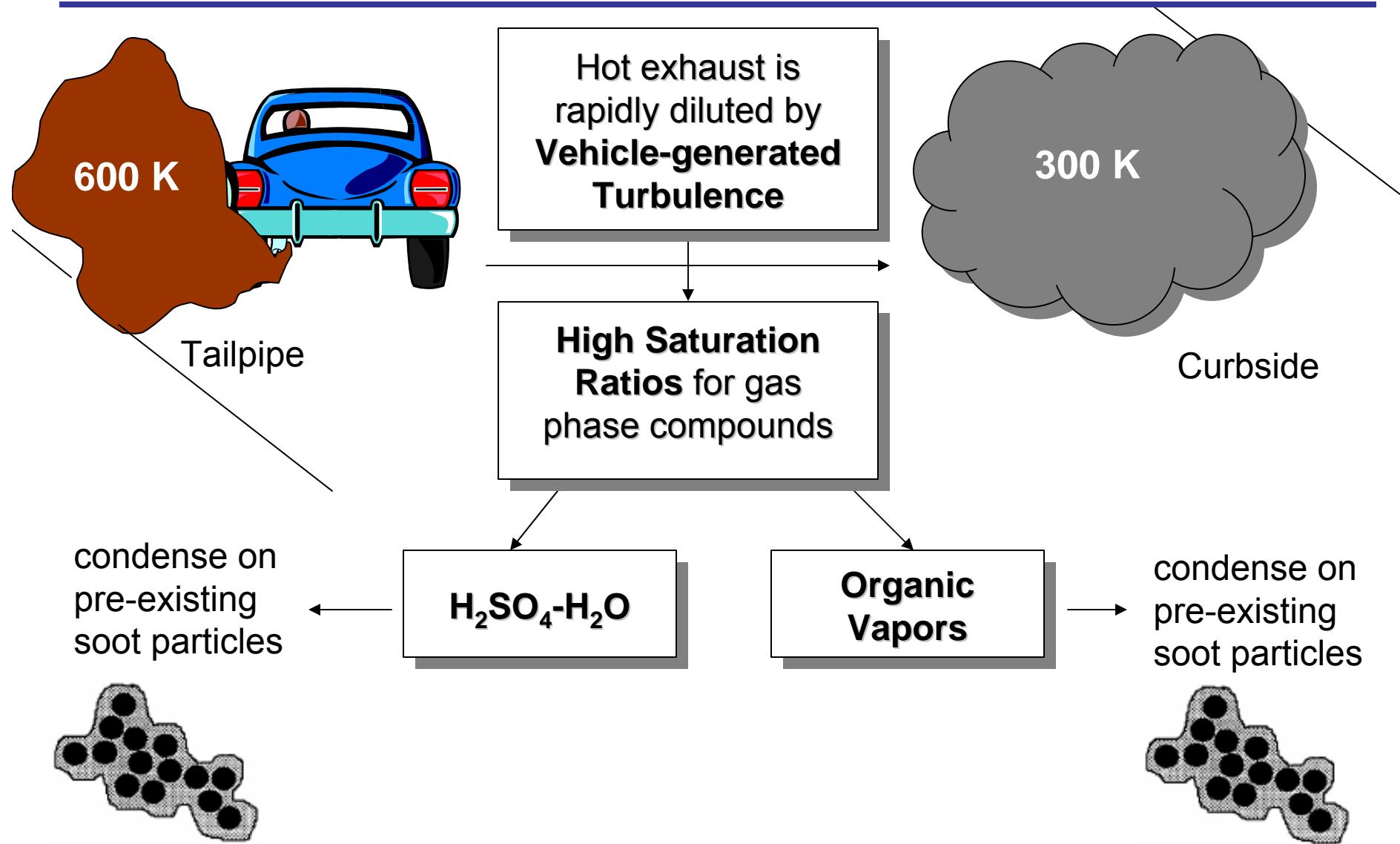
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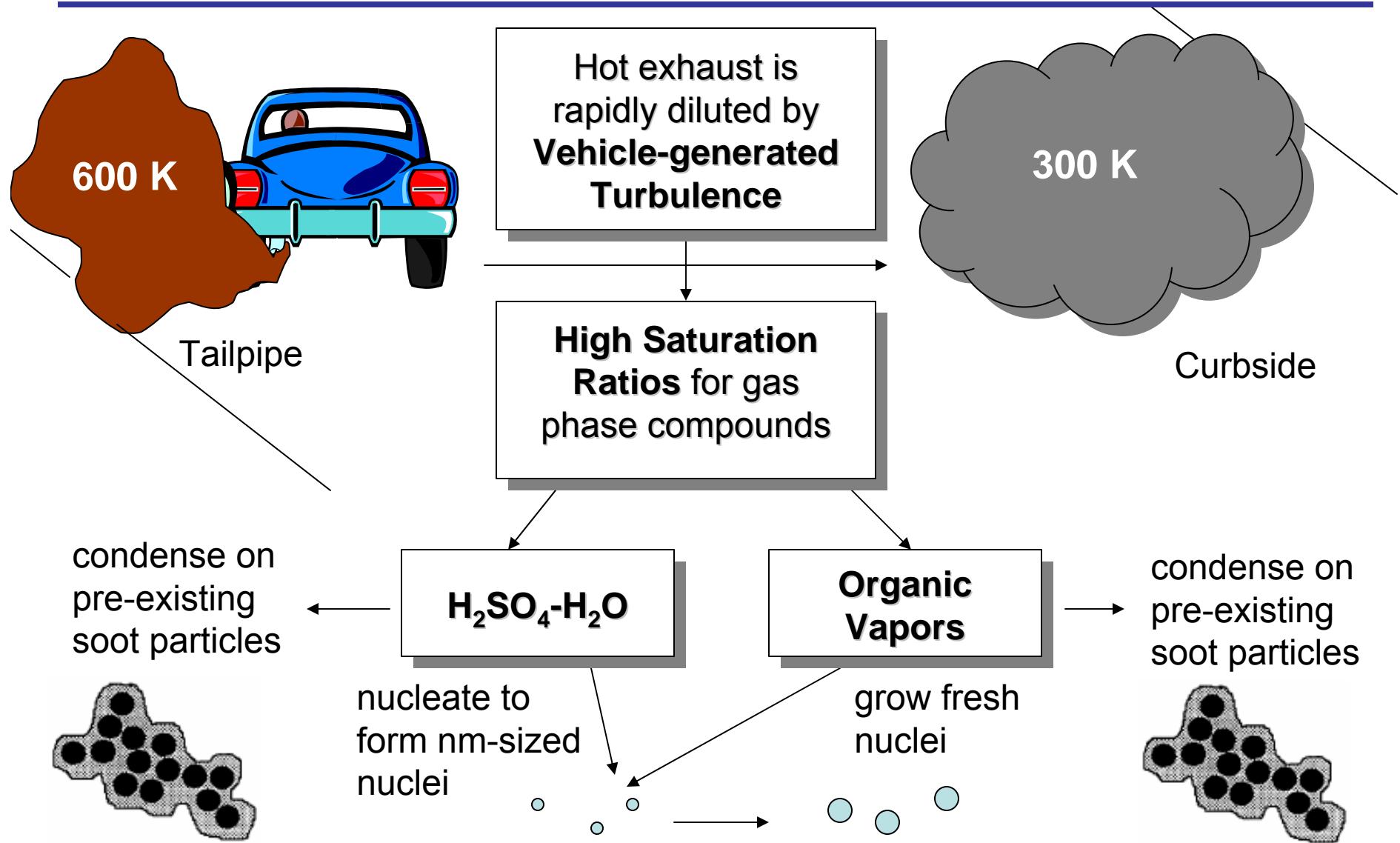
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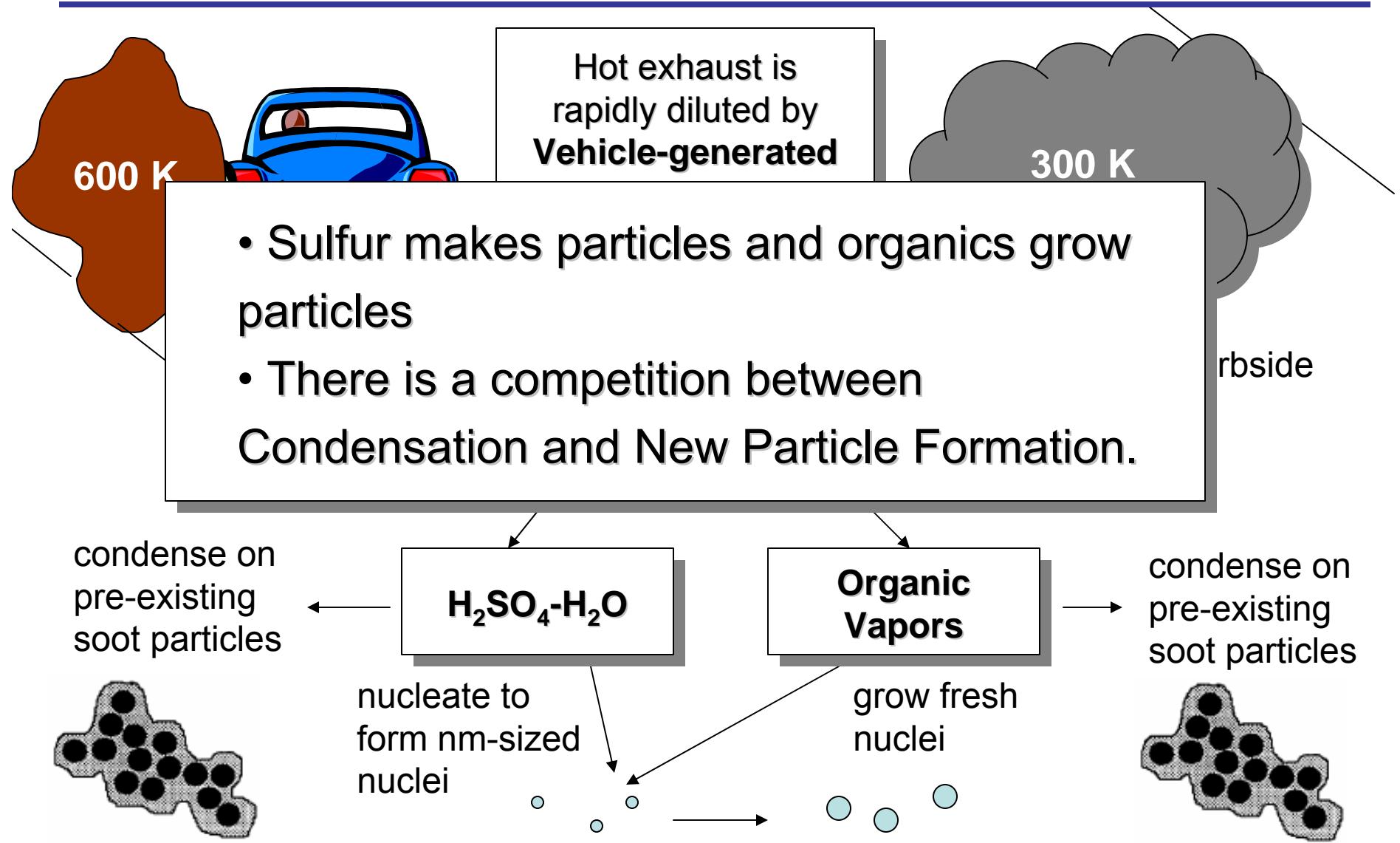


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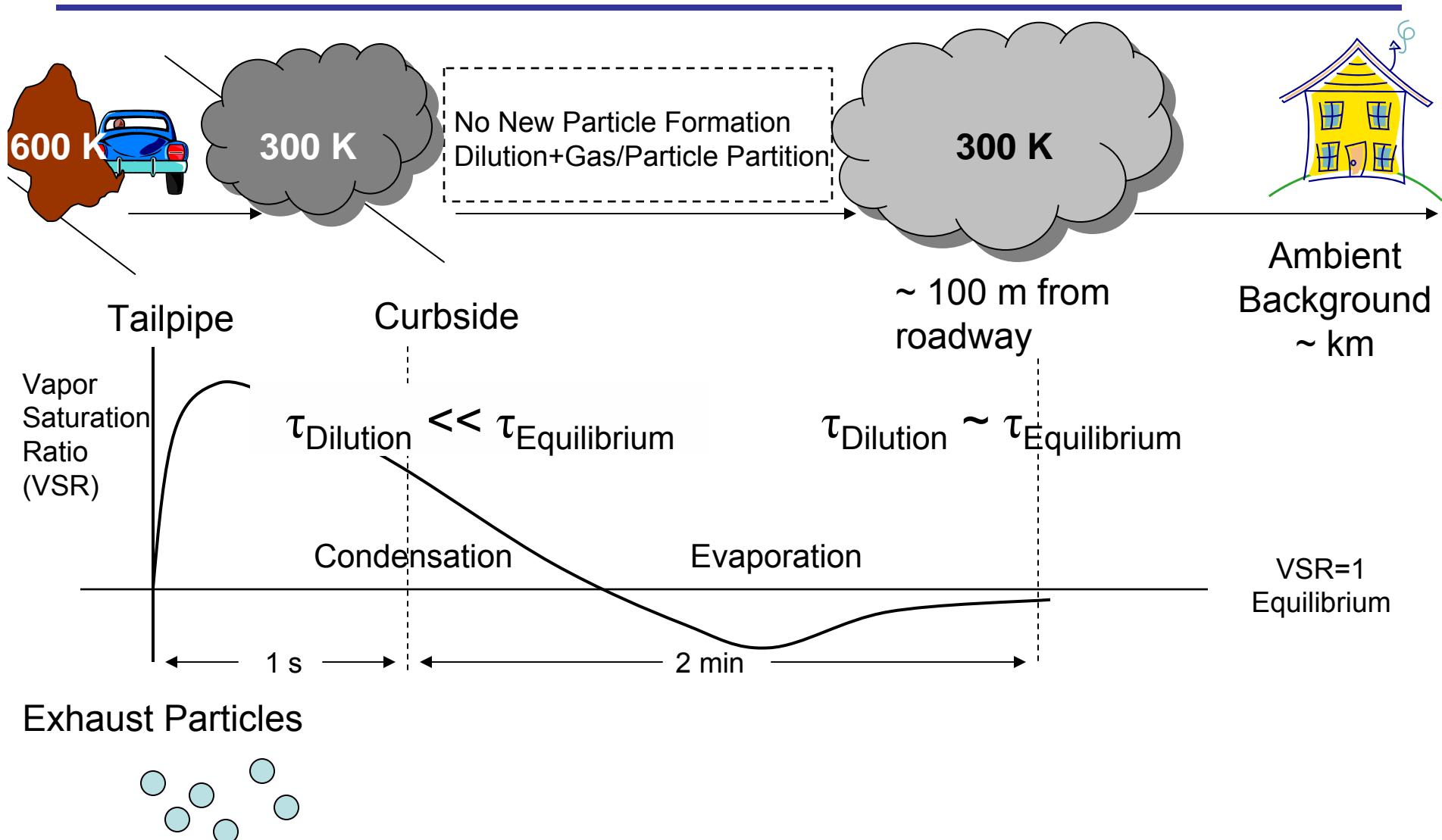


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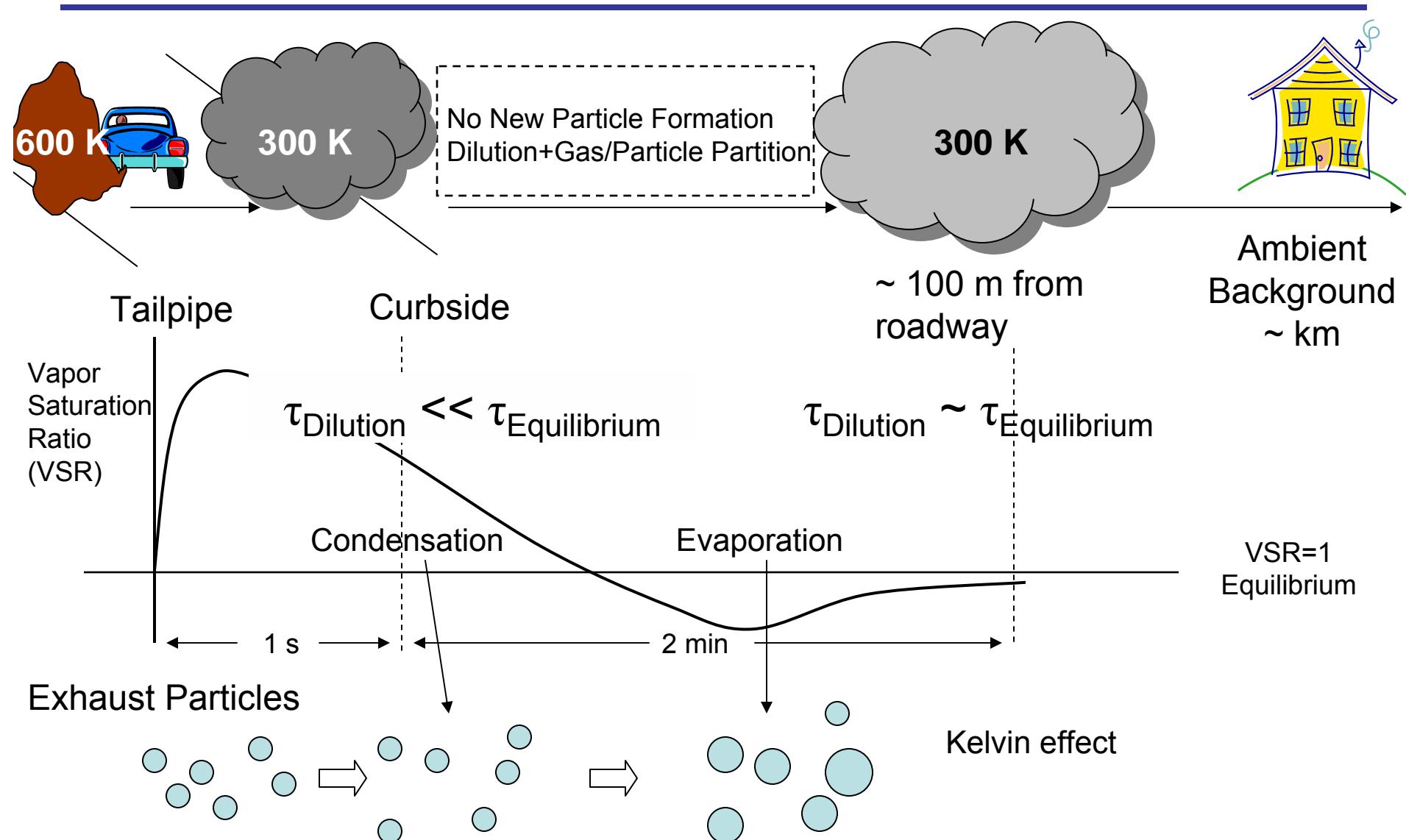
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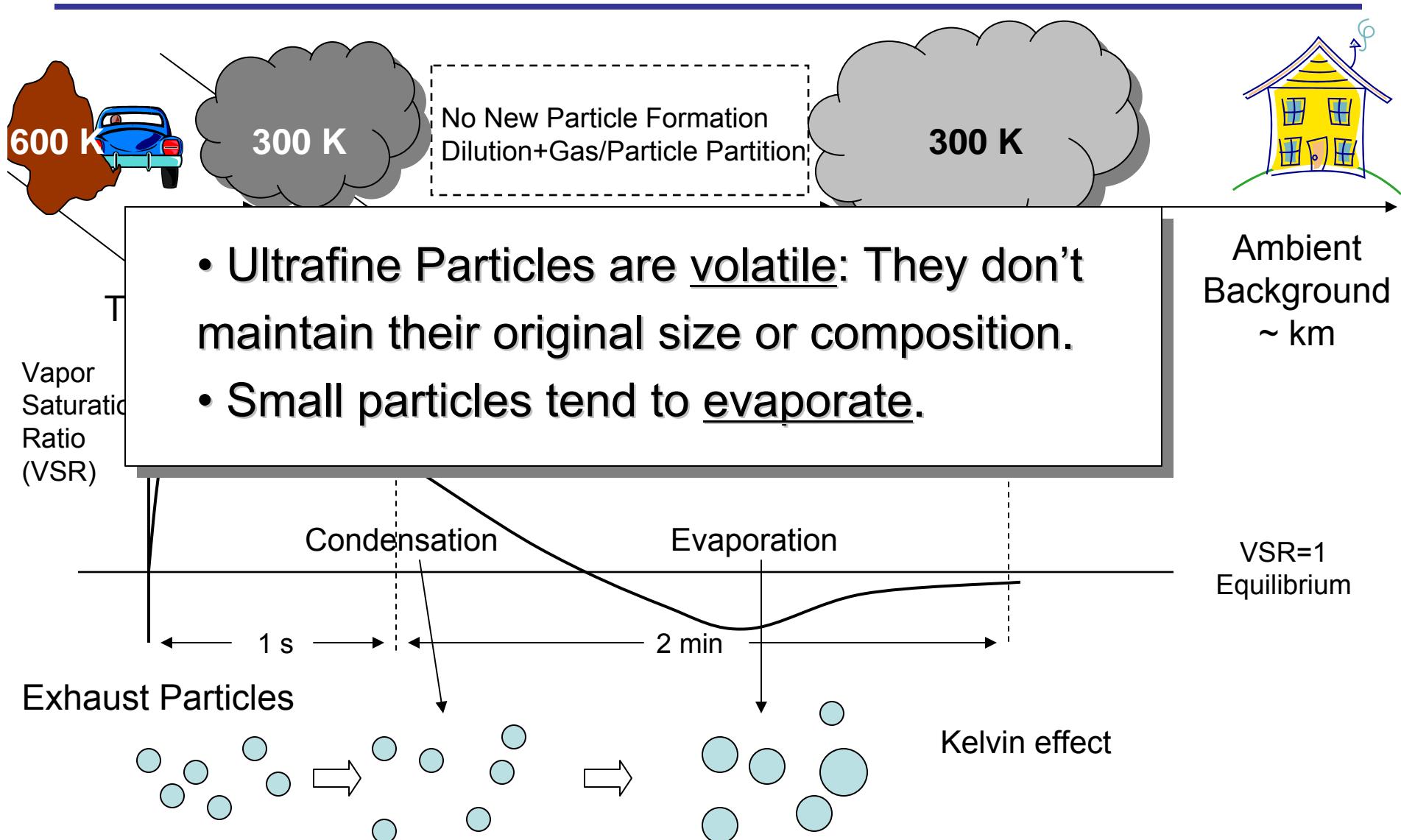
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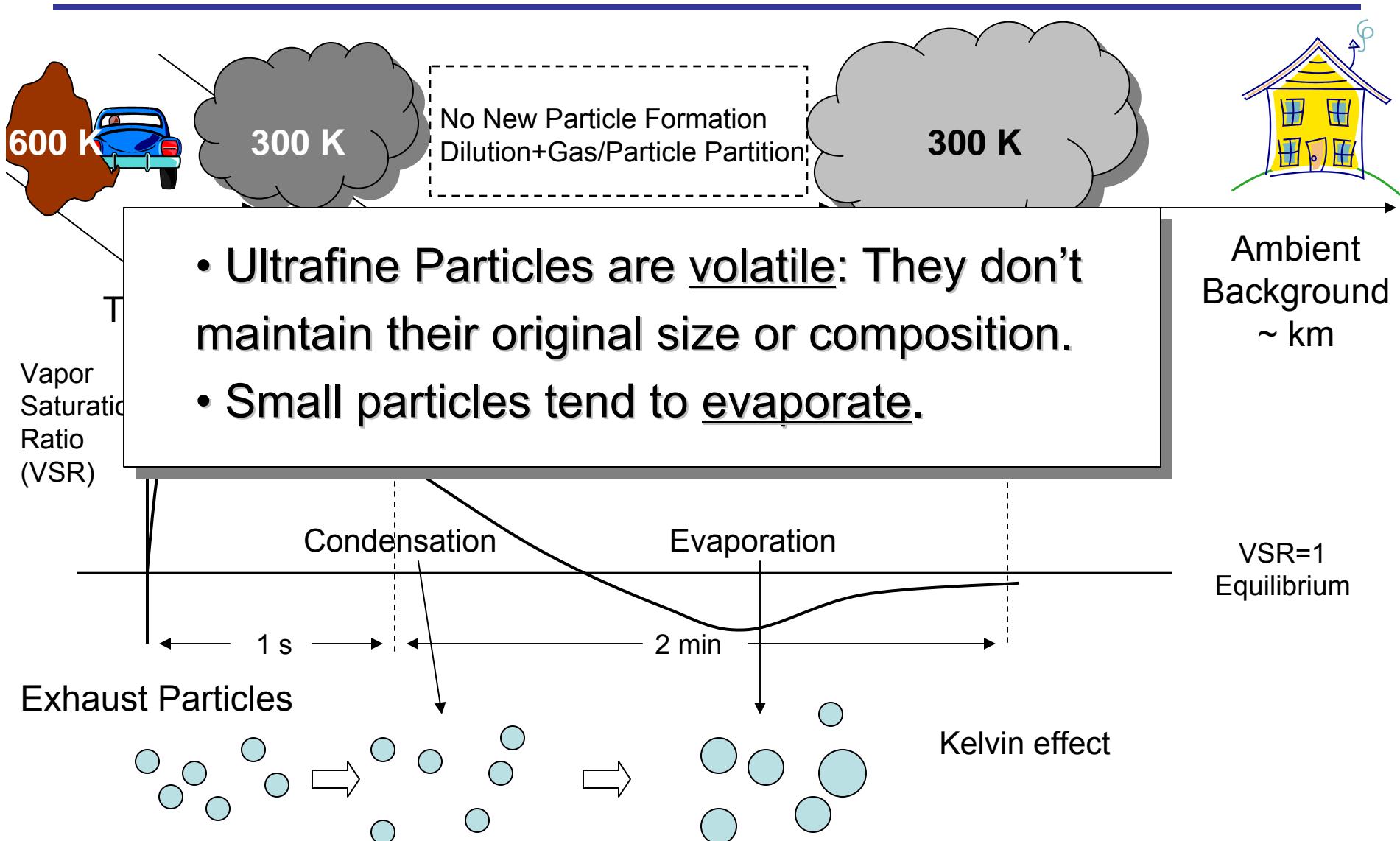
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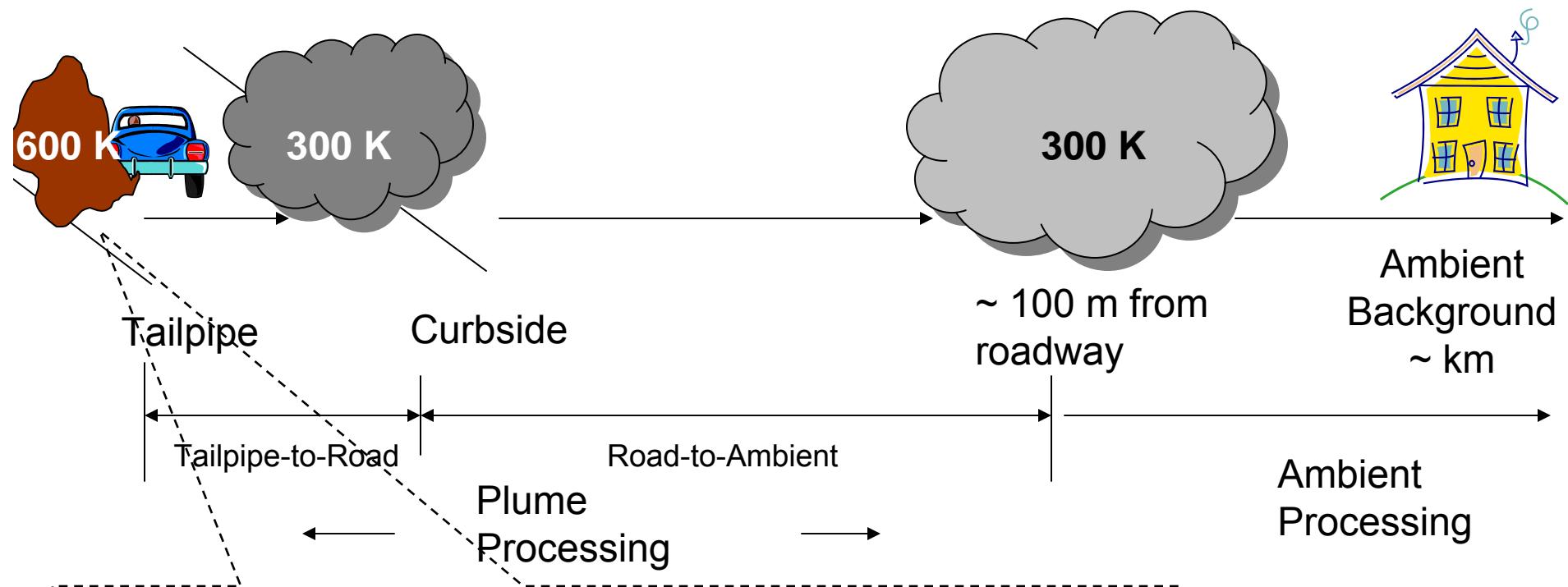
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Emission is dynamic



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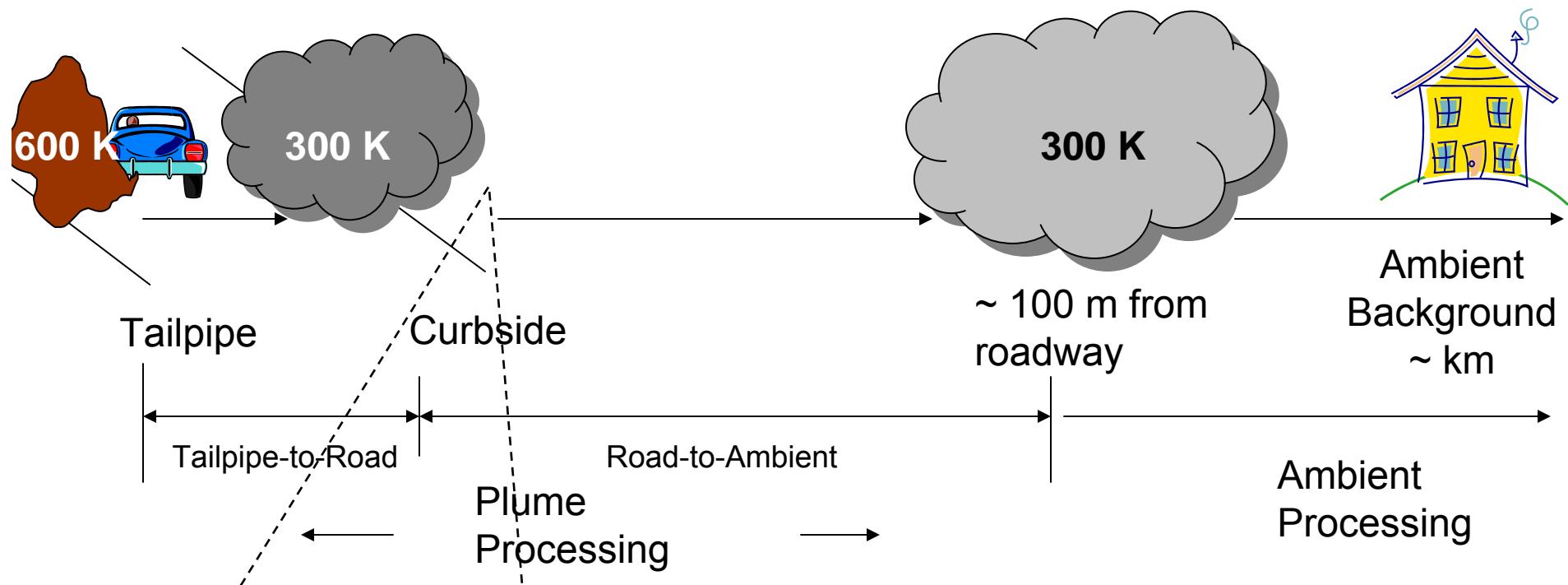
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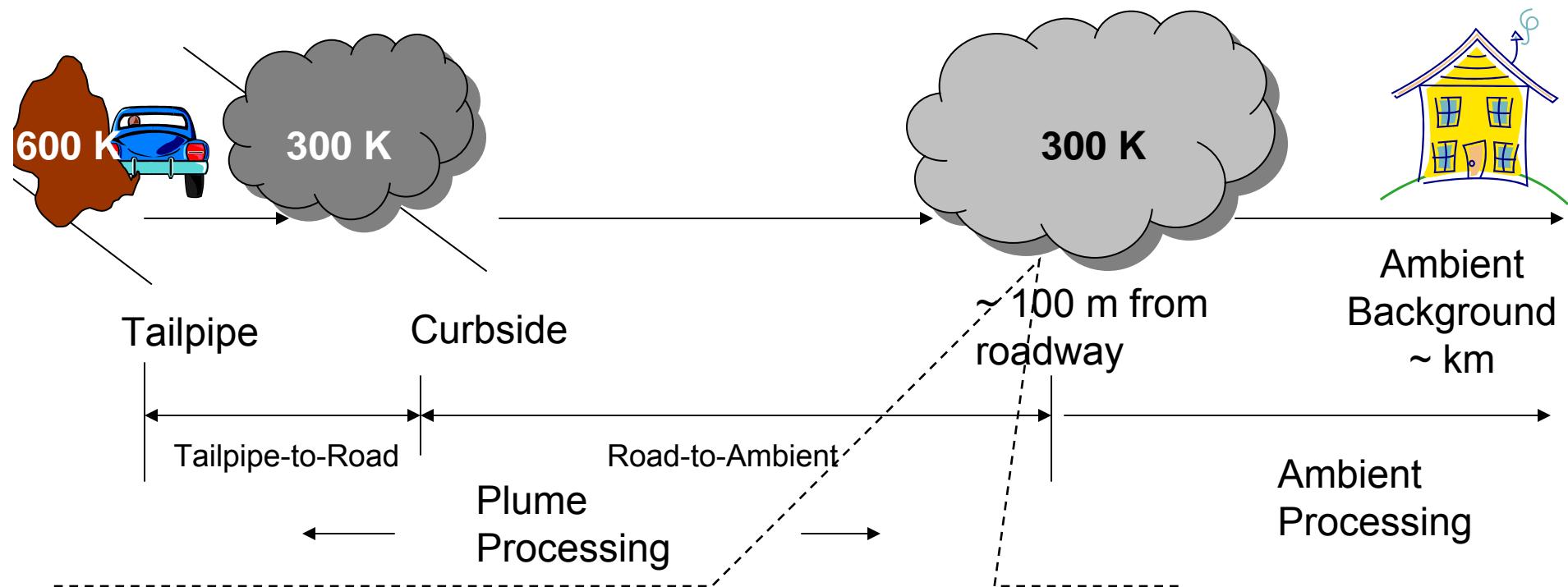


Road-level Emission:

The emission profiles on or near the roadway curb

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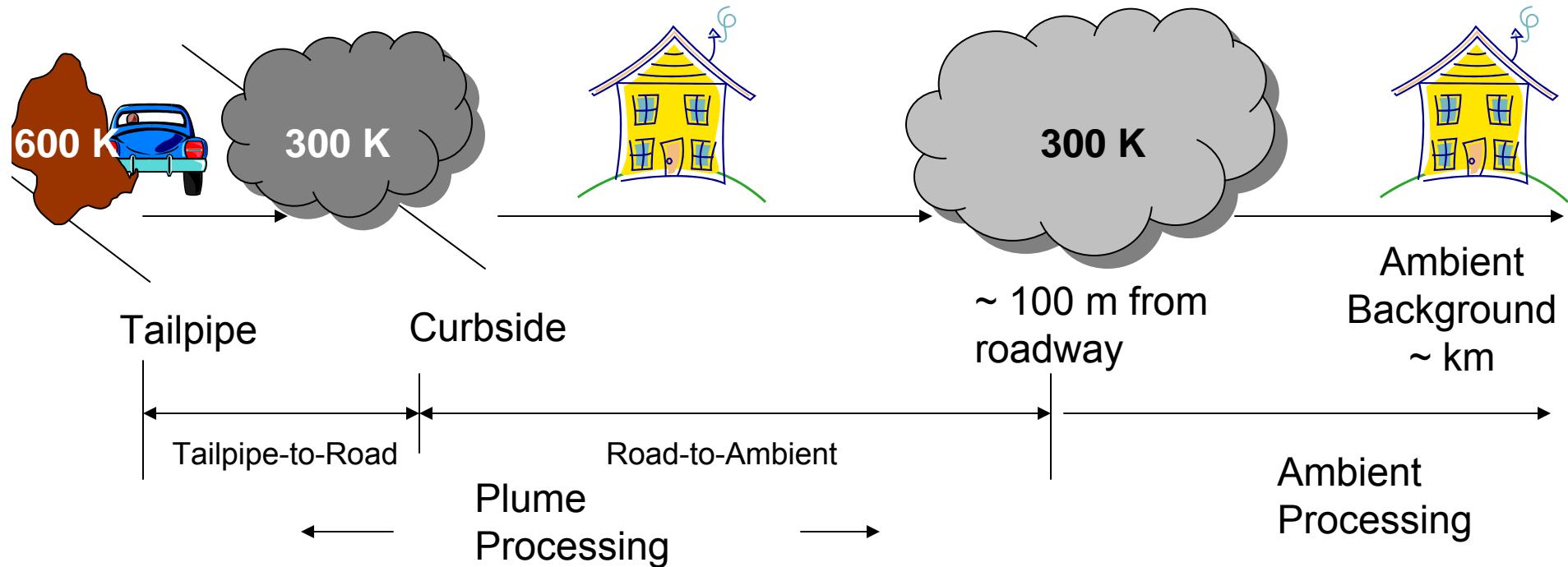


Grid-level Emission:

The emission profiles near the end of plume processing (particle dynamics slows down significantly at this point)

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"Emission is in the eyes of the beholder"

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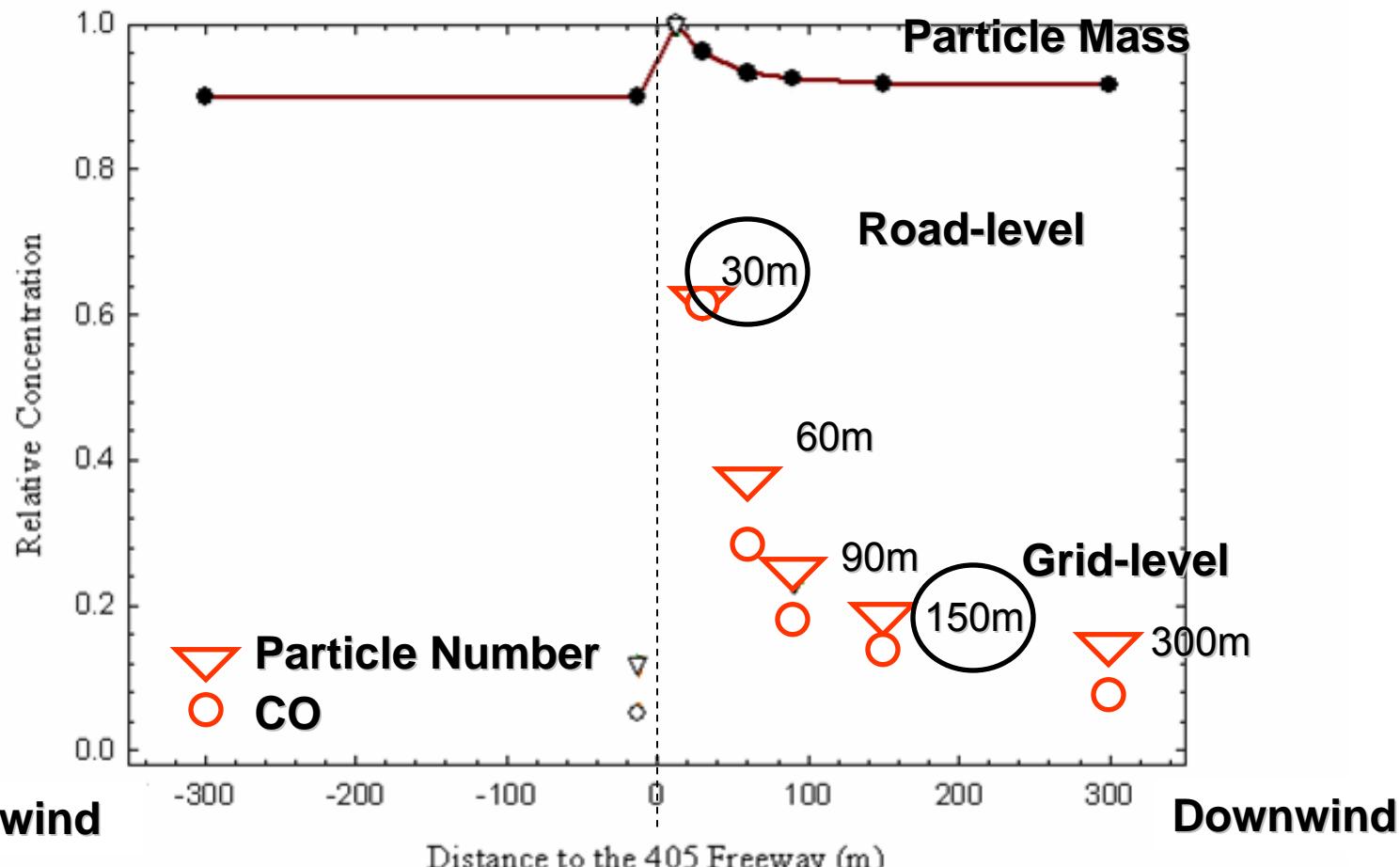
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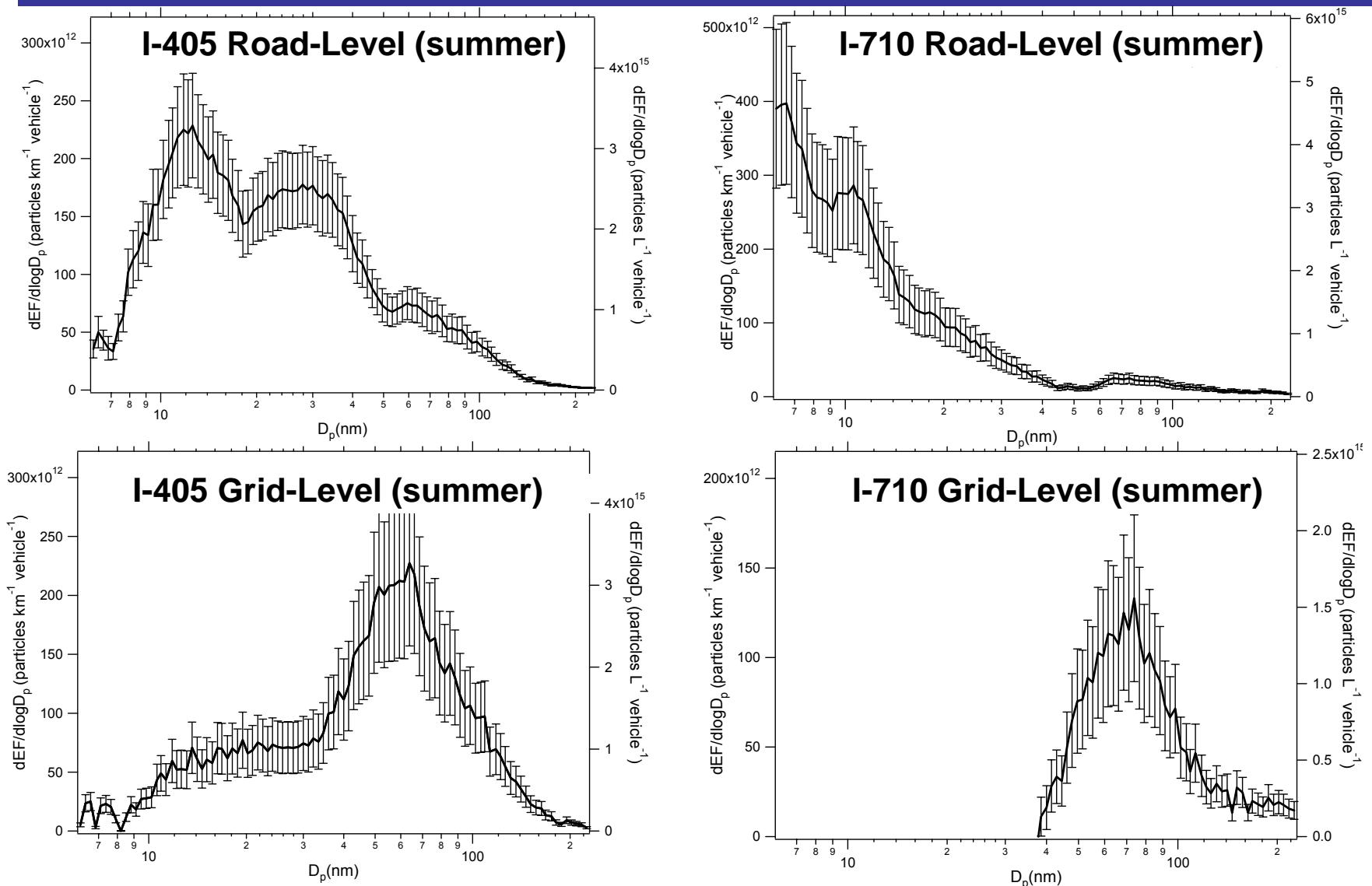


- I-405 / I-710, summer / winter
- Measured at gradually increasing downwind distances (17/30m to 300m)
- Particle size distribution $\xrightarrow{\text{CO}}$ Particle Emission Factor distribution

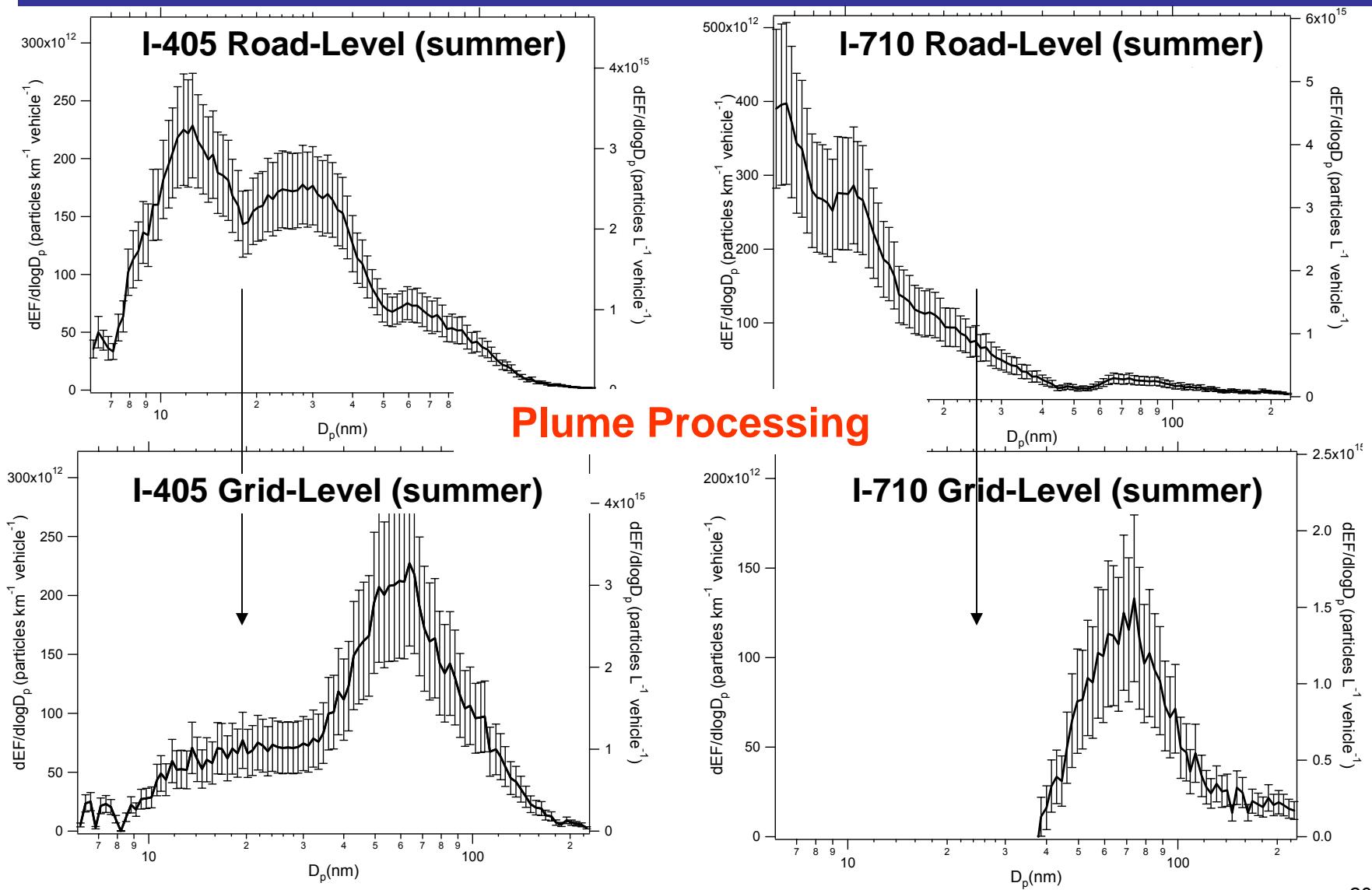
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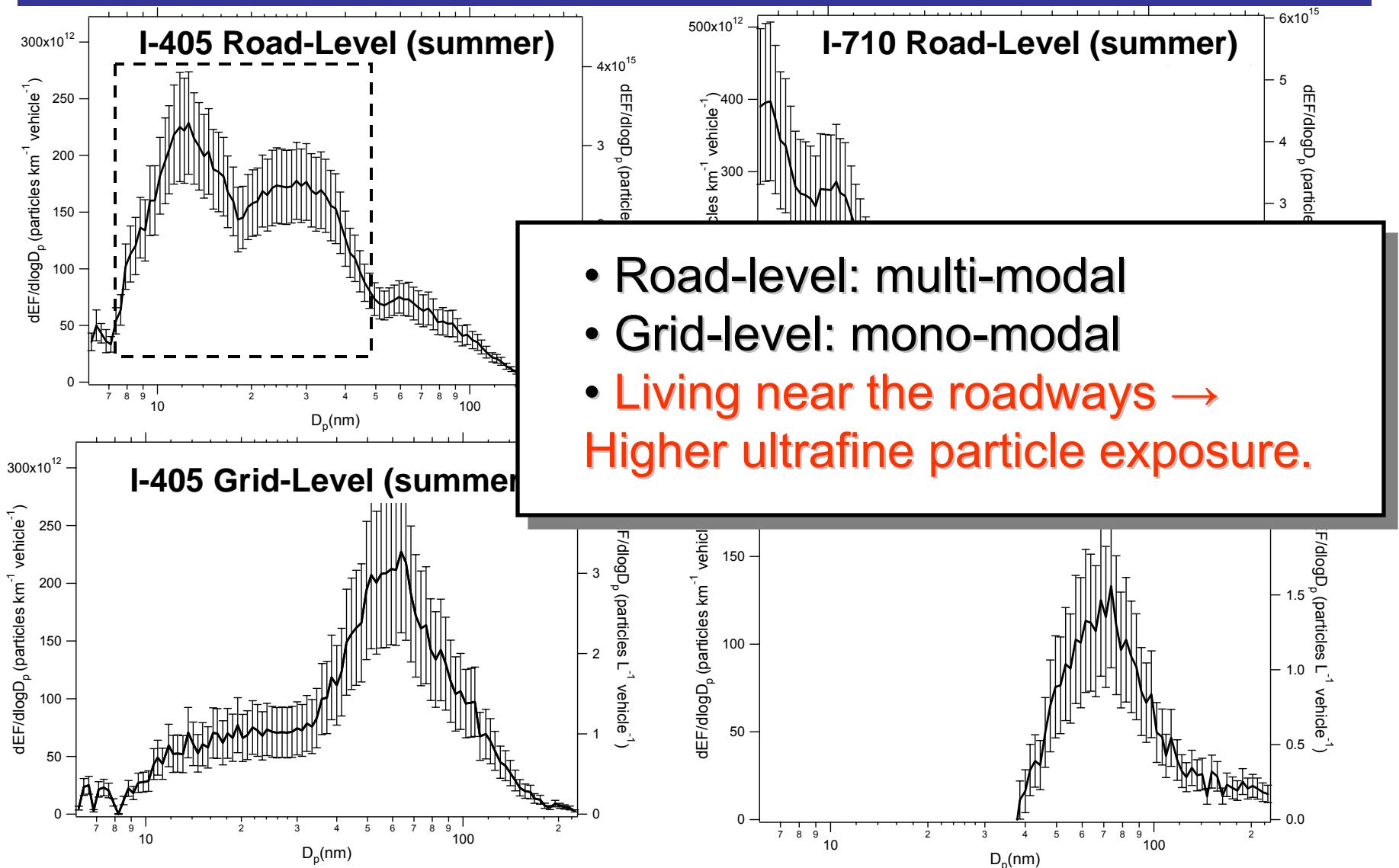
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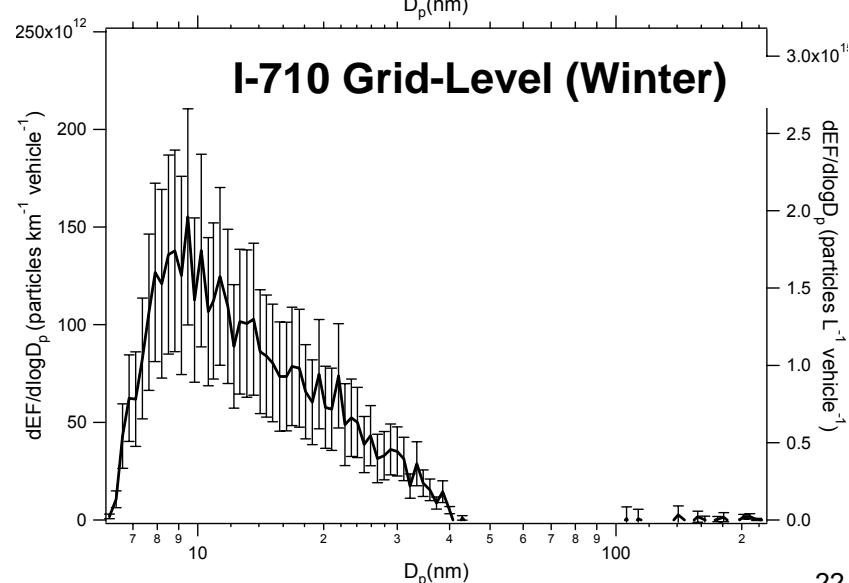
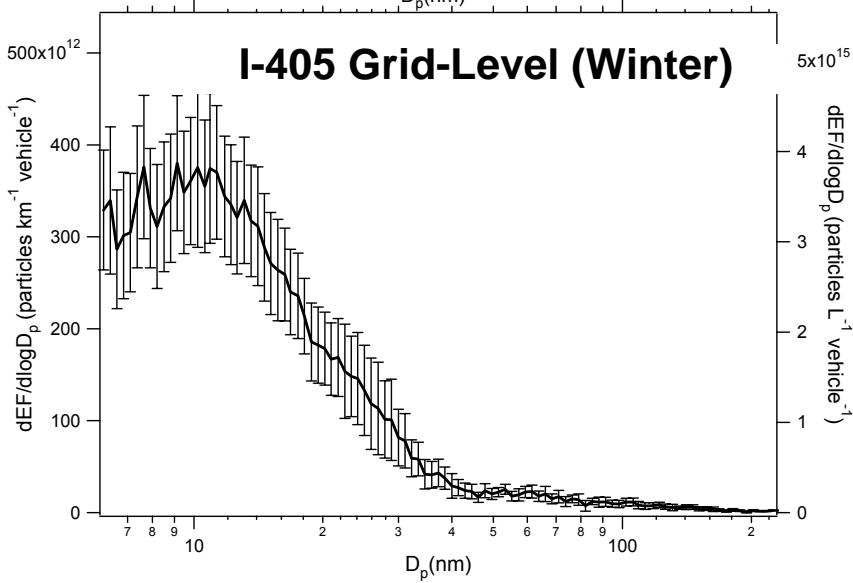
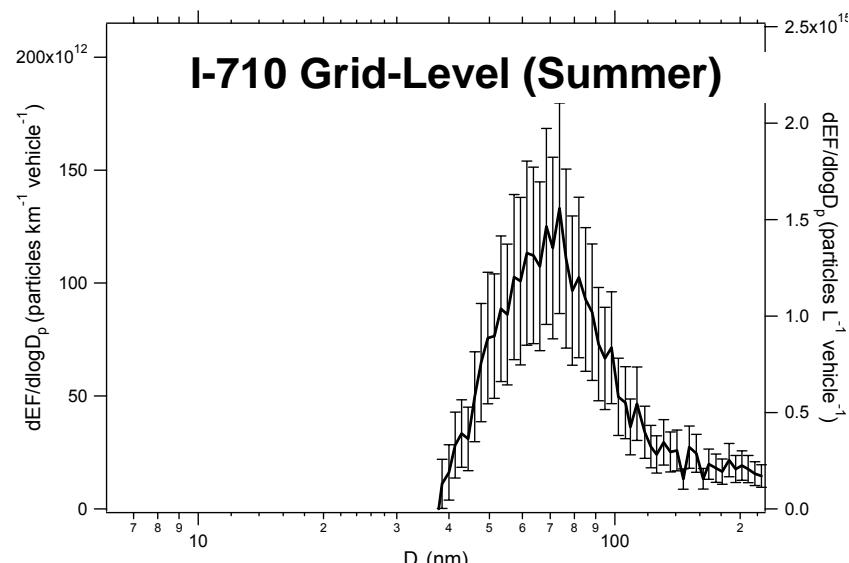
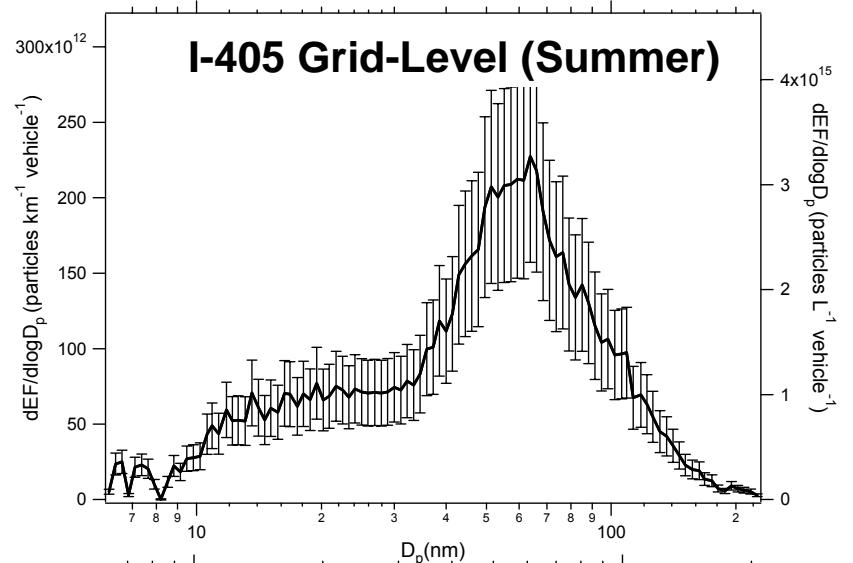
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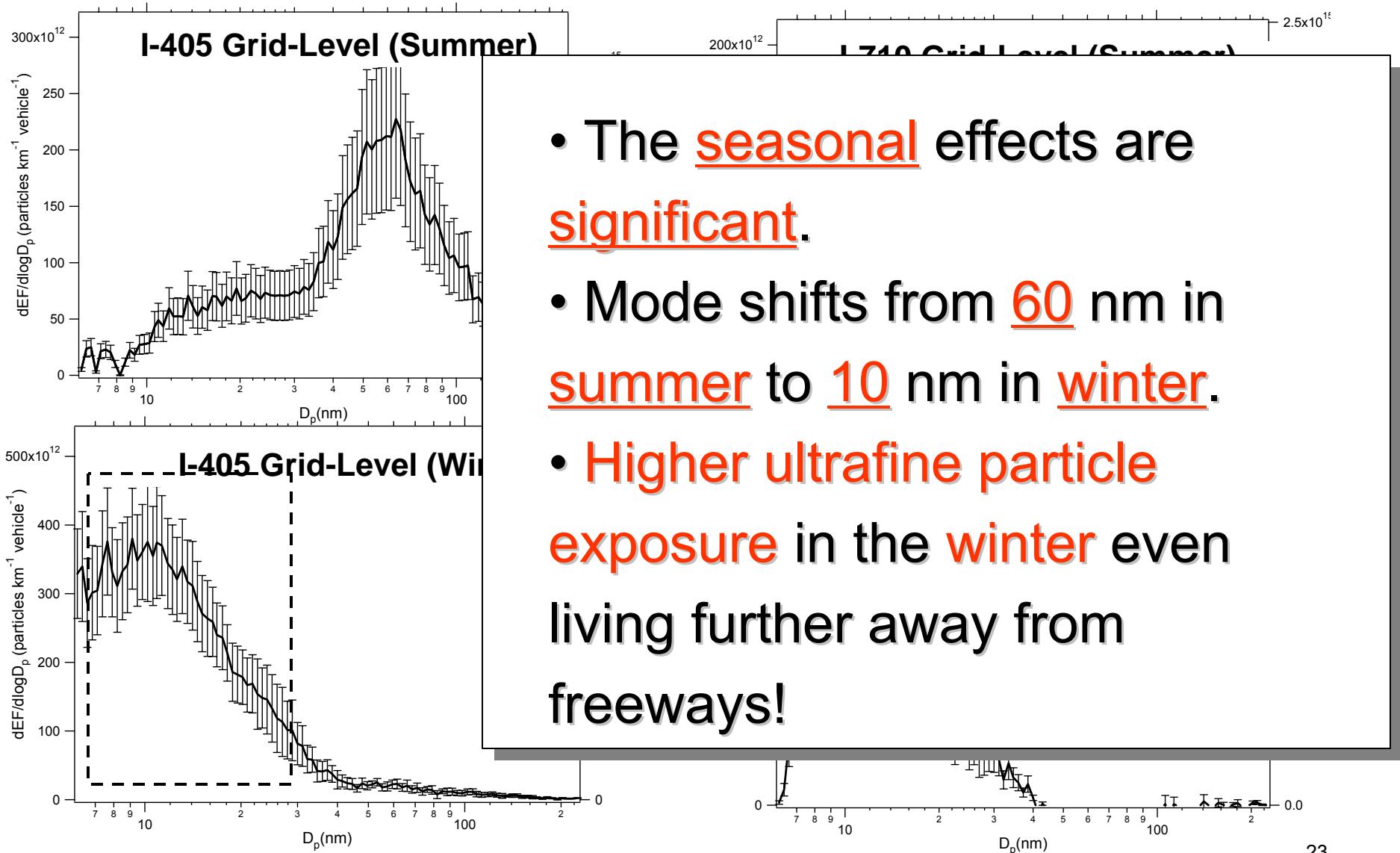
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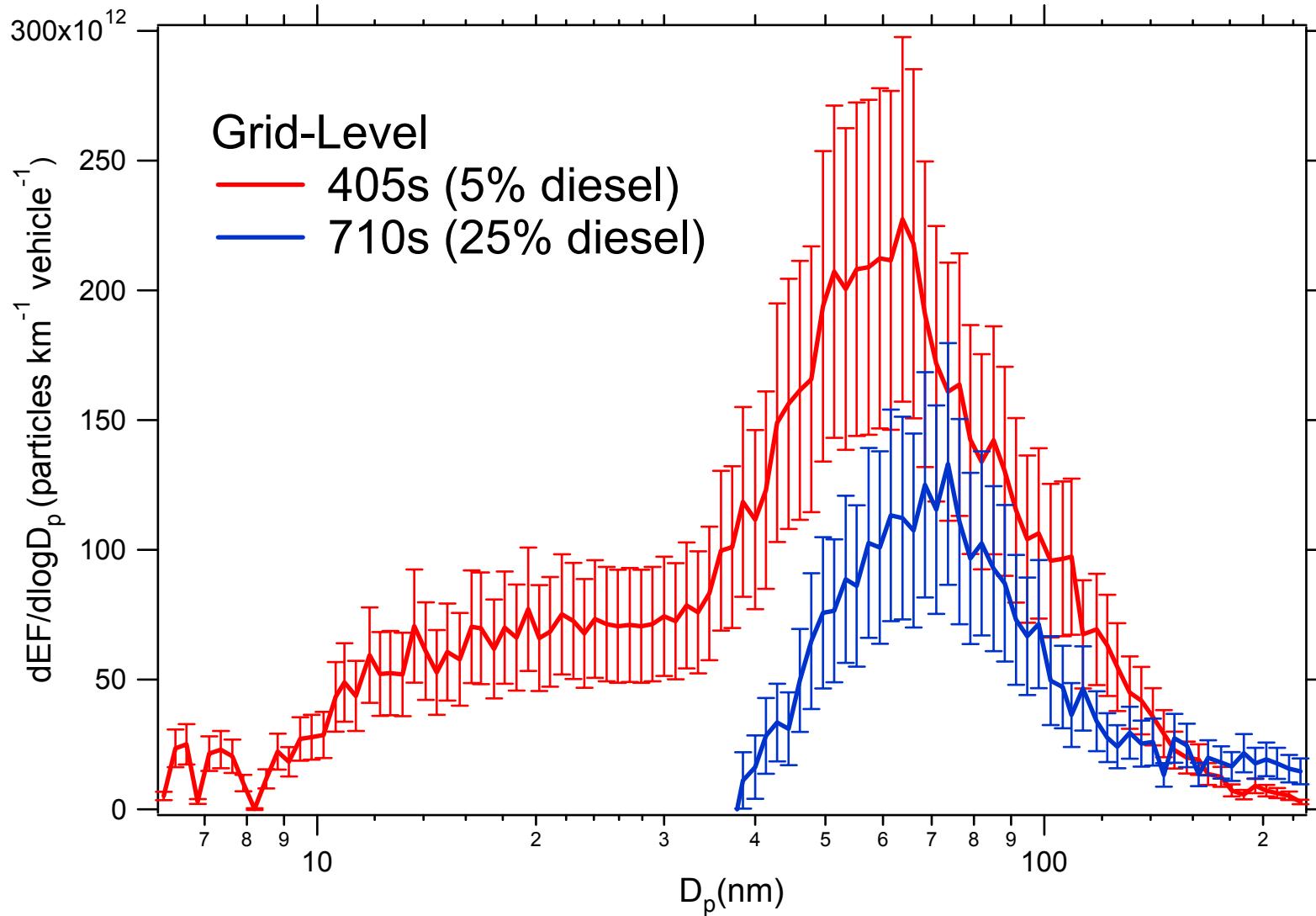
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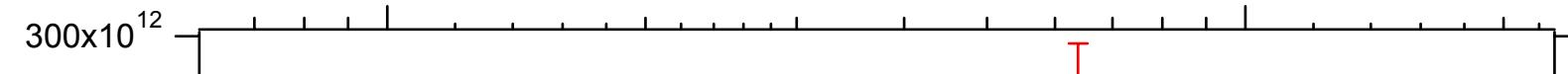
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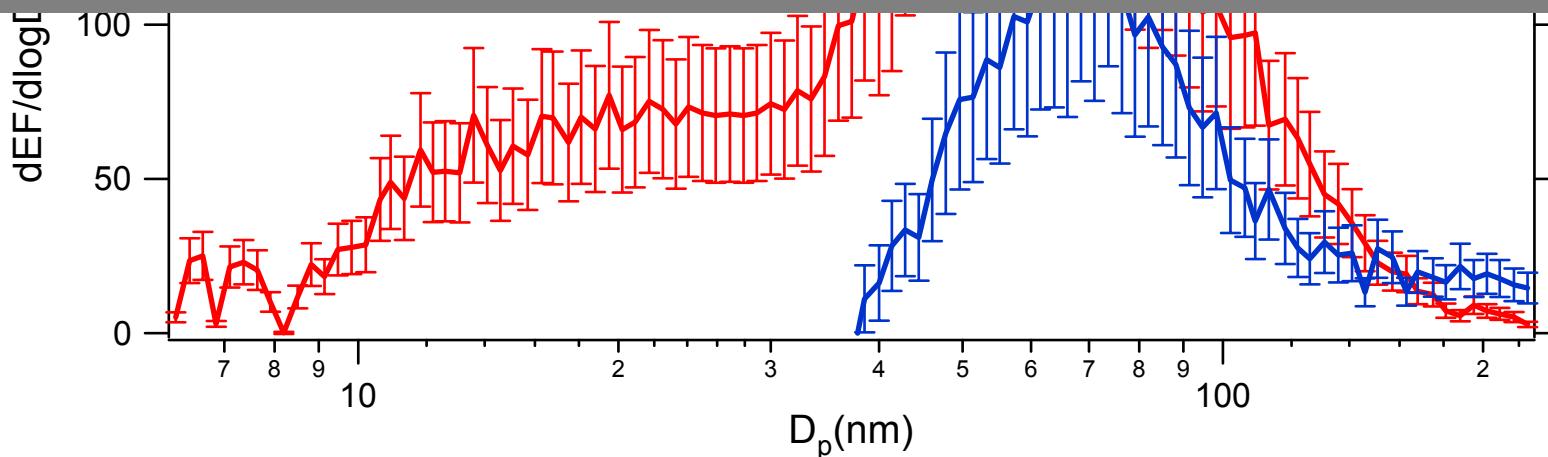
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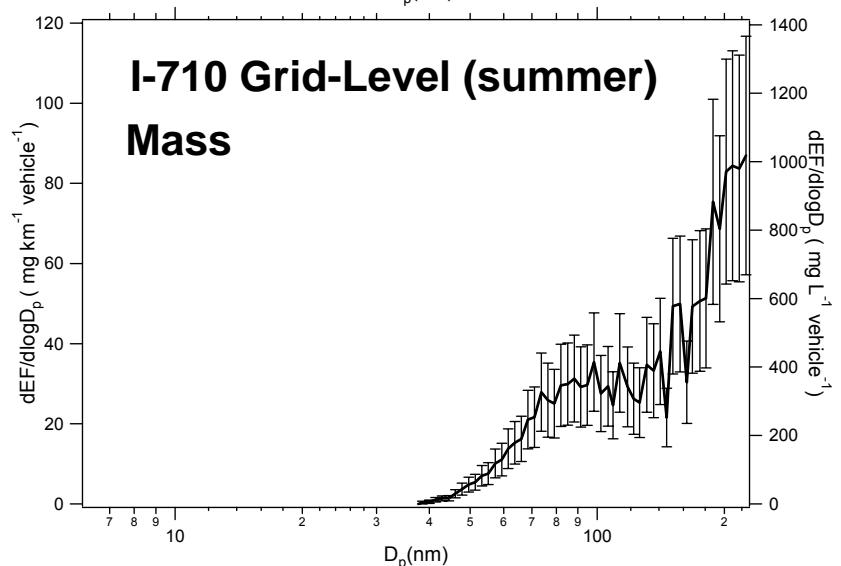
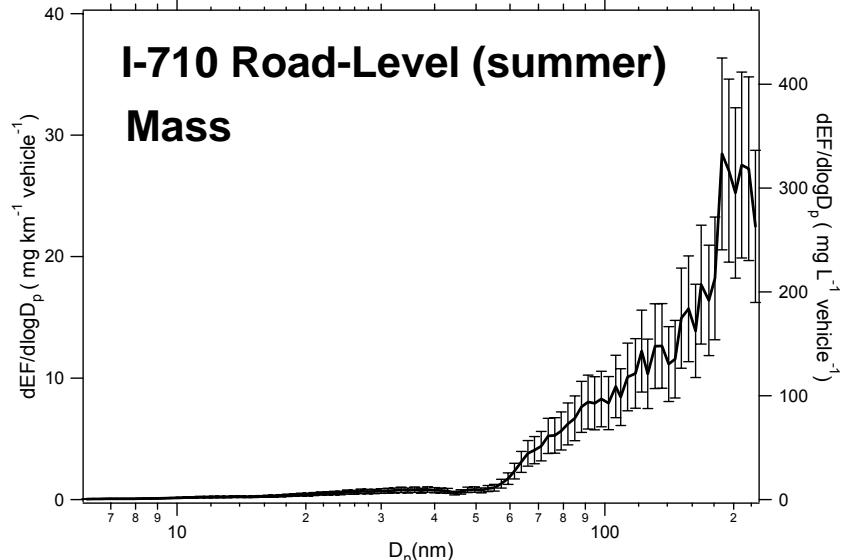
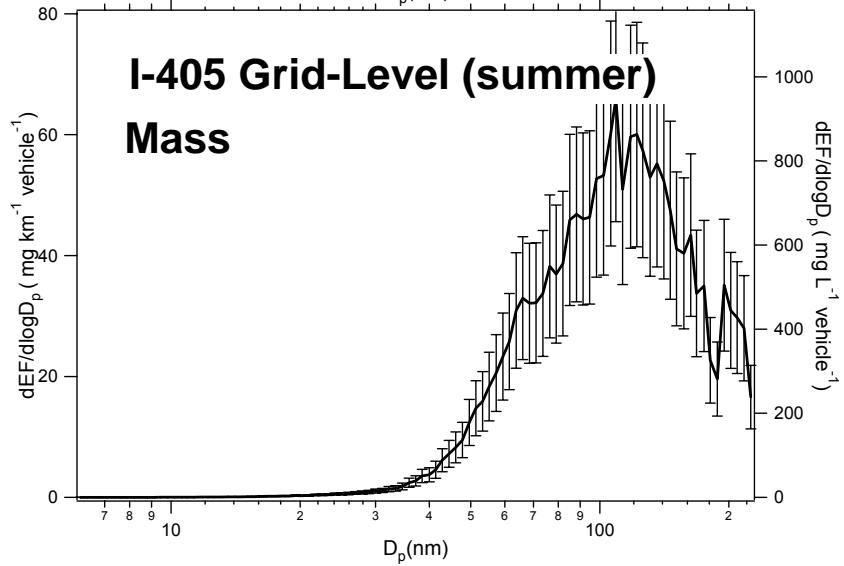
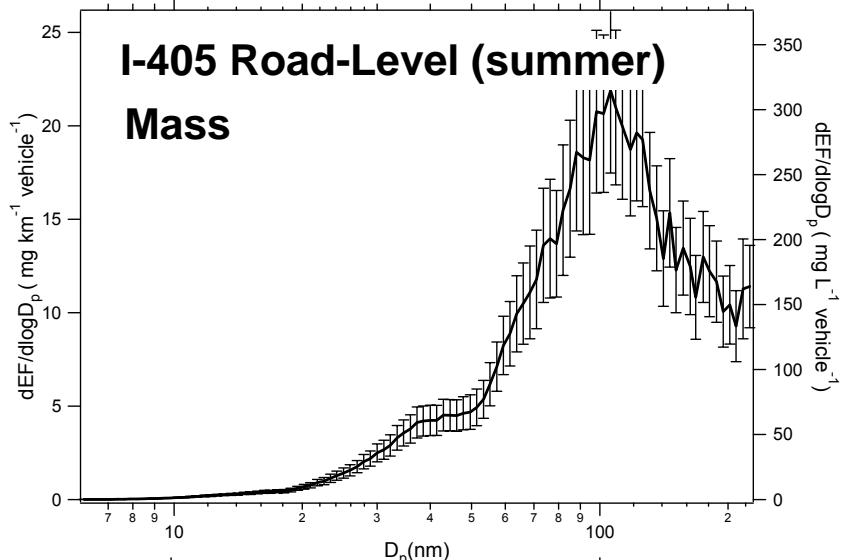
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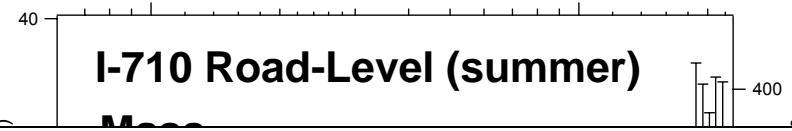
- The effect of diesel fraction effect on grid-level emissions is limited (due to evaporation of ultrafine particles) according to this study.
- More studies needed.



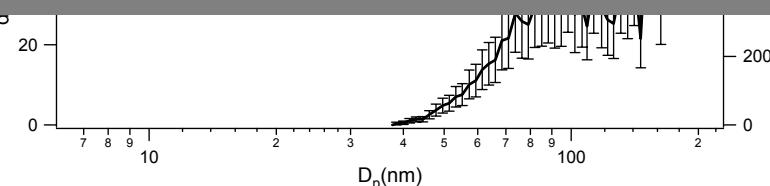
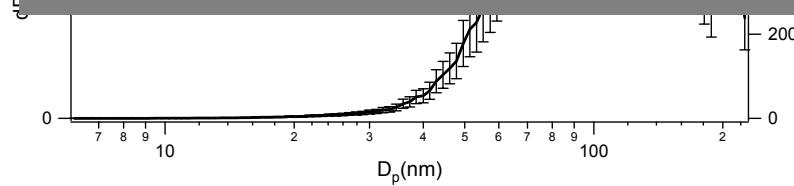
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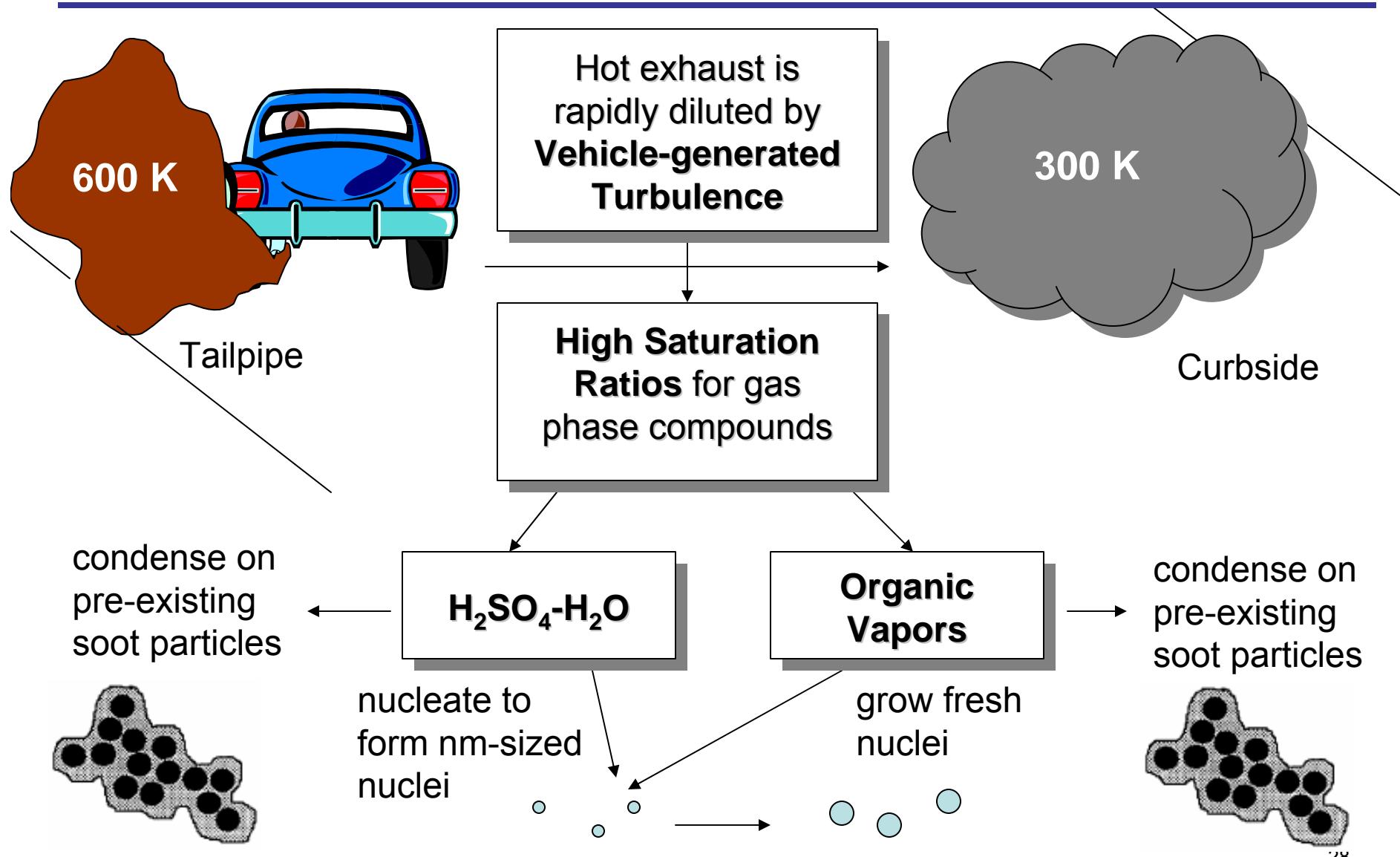
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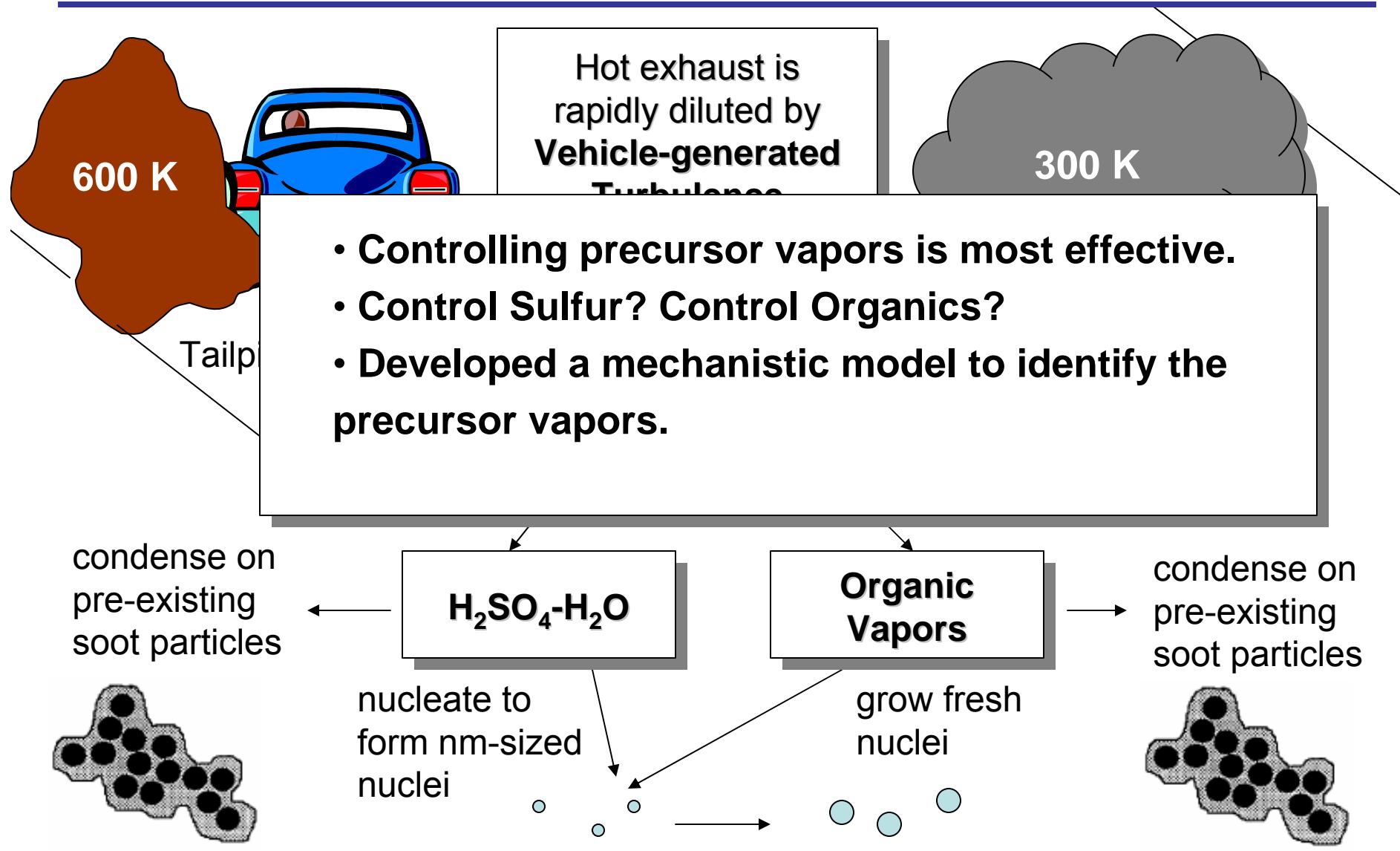
- The **mass emission** factor distributions (<220 nm) have **no appreciable** size shift from road to grid-level emissions.
- The effects of plume processing on particle **number** are much more profound than on particle **mass**.



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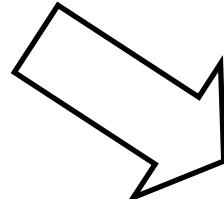


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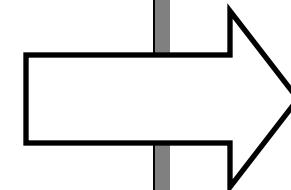
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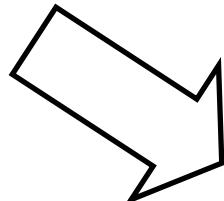
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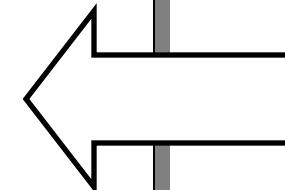
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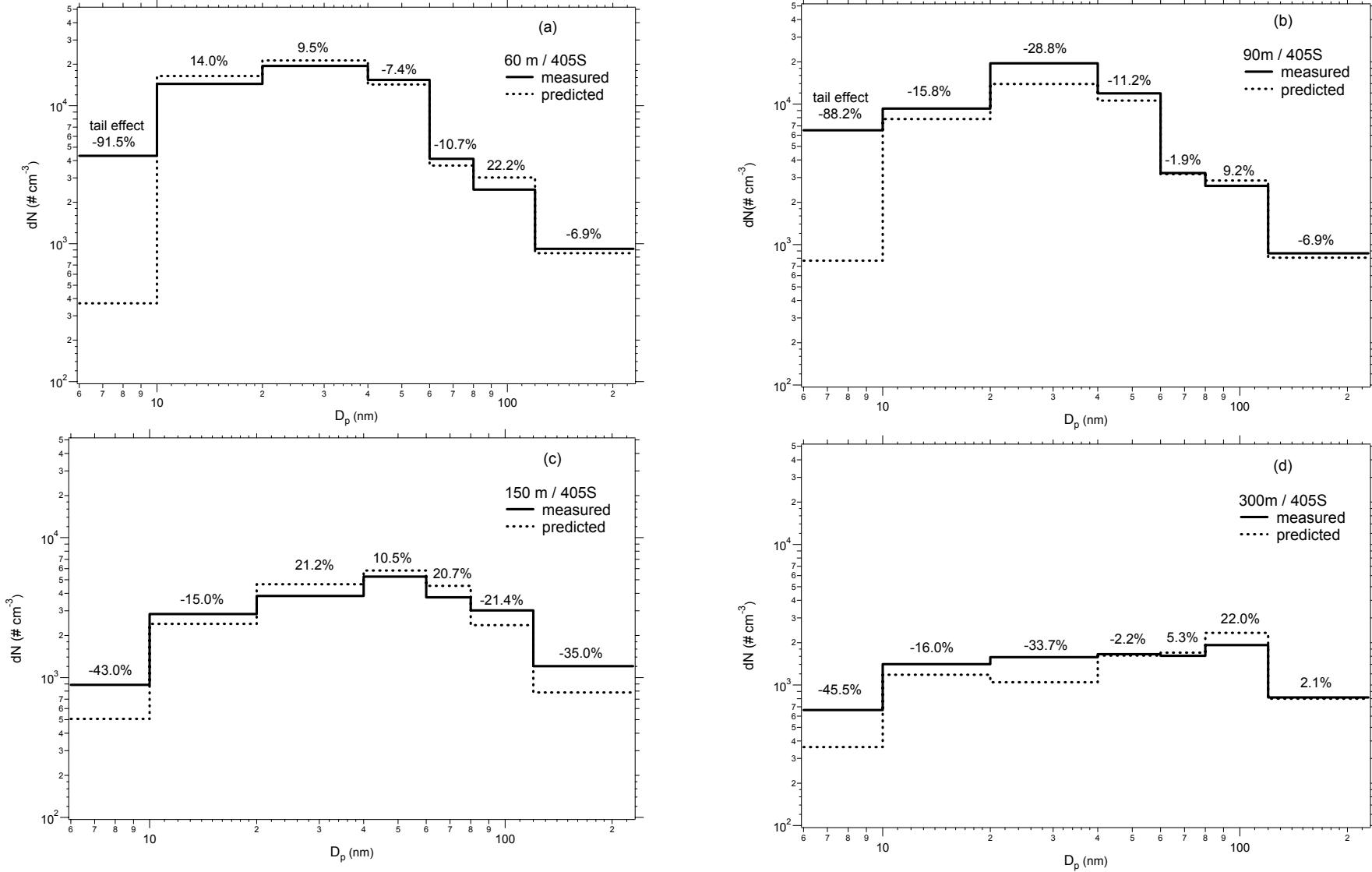
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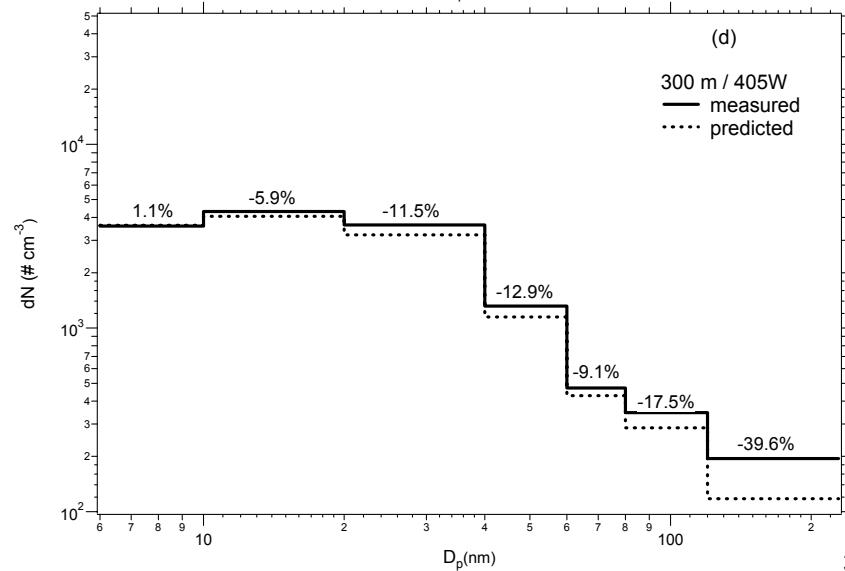
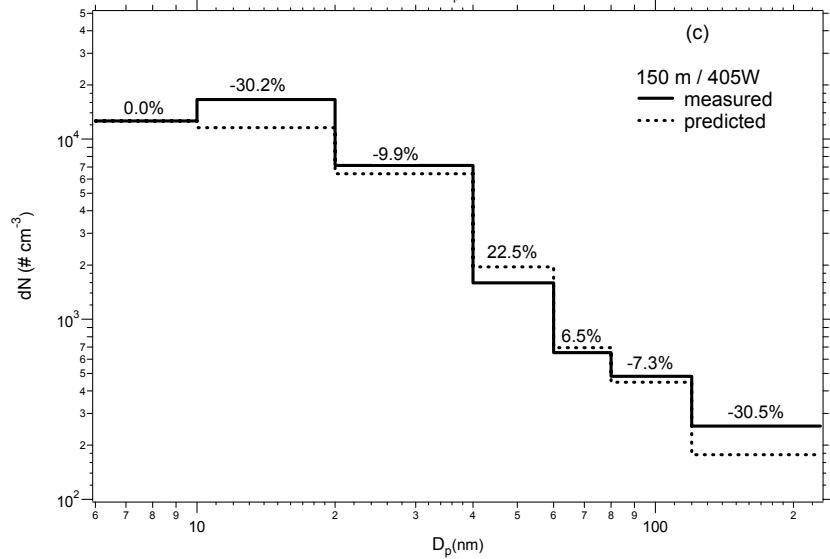
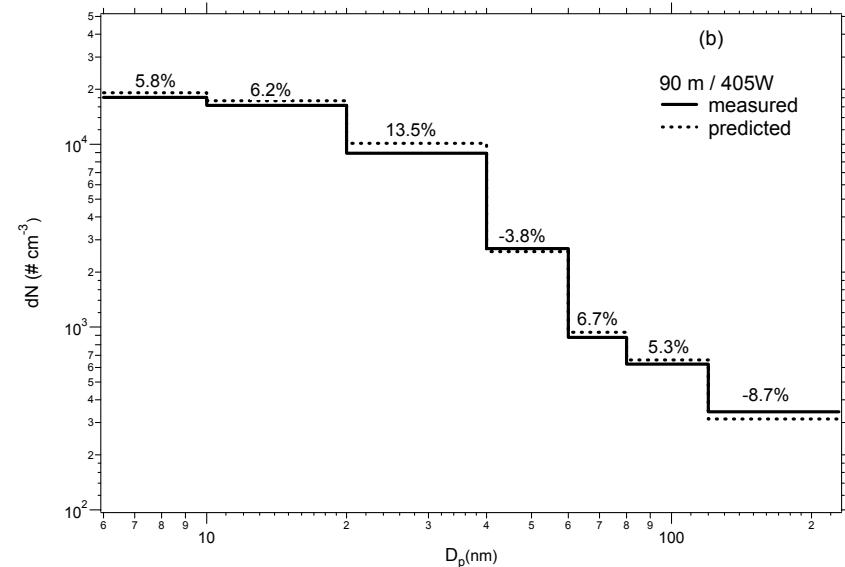
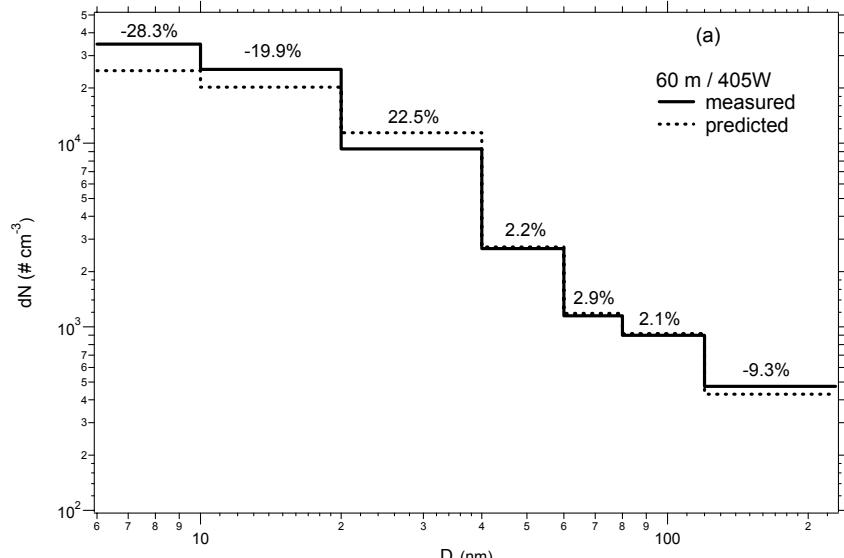
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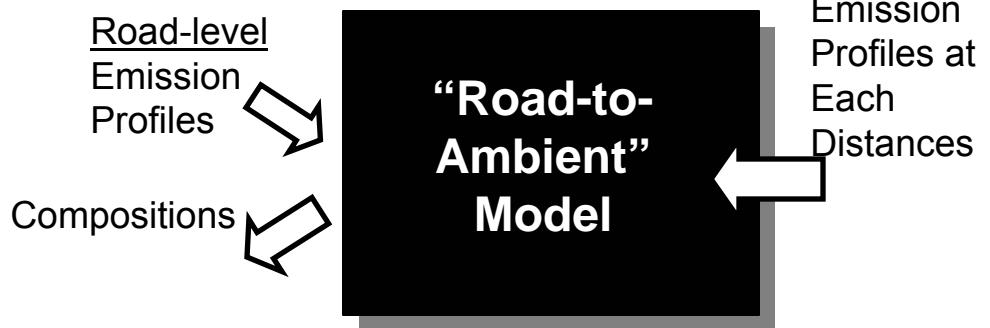
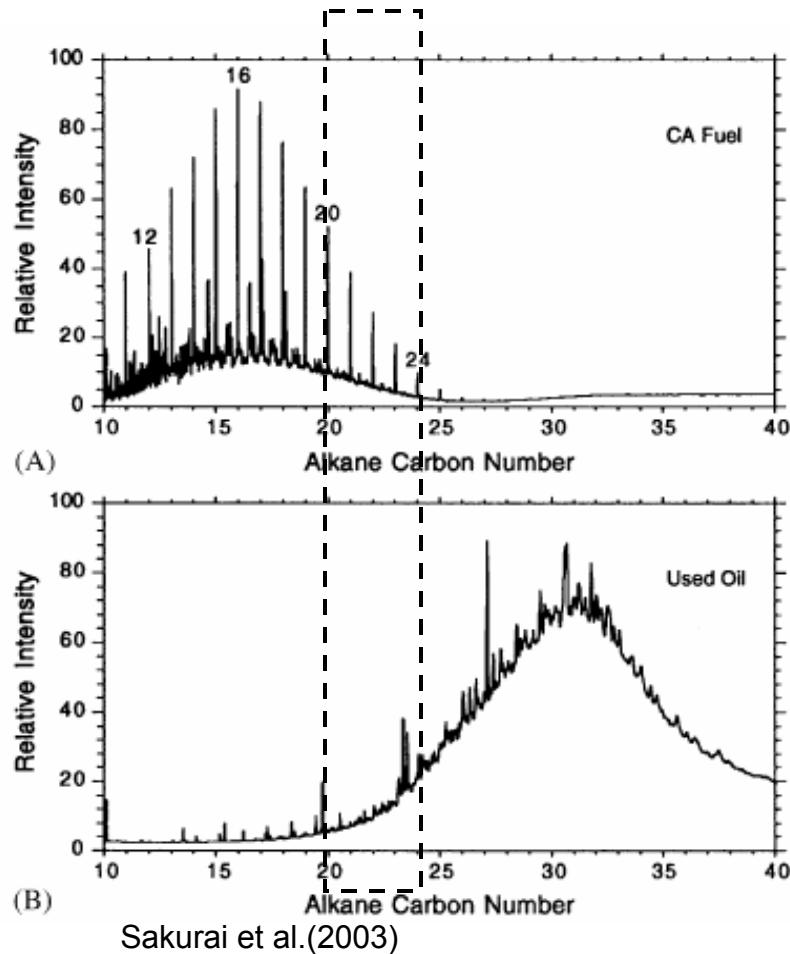
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Fuel, Oil or both?



- We identified that the precursor organic vapors have carbon number between **20 to 24**.
- It is in the range where the largest fuel molecules and smallest lubrication oil molecules reside.
- **Fuel or Oil or Both** contribute to the ultrafine particle dynamics.

Conclusions

- Steep temperature gradient triggers New Particle Formation and Gas/Particle Partition.
- There is a competition between Condensation and New Particle Formation.
- Ultrafine Particles are volatile and their emission profiles are dynamics.
- People living near freeways have much higher ultrafine particles exposure.
- Meteorological conditions significantly affect ultrafine particle emissions.

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