

Diagnostic Modeling with G-1 Obs.

- Plume Evolution

L_N/Q (fraction radicals removed by NO_x)

describes transition from:

source-like VOC sensitive to
background-like NO_x sensitive

- Ozone Production Efficiency

$$\text{OPE}_x = \Delta\text{O}_3/\Delta\text{NO}_z$$

$$\text{OPE}_r = \Delta\text{O}_3/(\Delta\text{NO}_z + 2\Delta\text{peroxide})$$

How much O_3 is produced?

An observable to test models against

- Future Directions

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Why L_N/Q ?

Radical Source = Radical sink

$$Q = L_N(\text{radical} + \text{NO}_x) + L_R(\text{radical} + \text{radical})$$

L_N/Q = fraction radicals removed by NO_x

An Old Result:

L_N/Q tells us all about $P(\text{O}_3)$ sensitivity

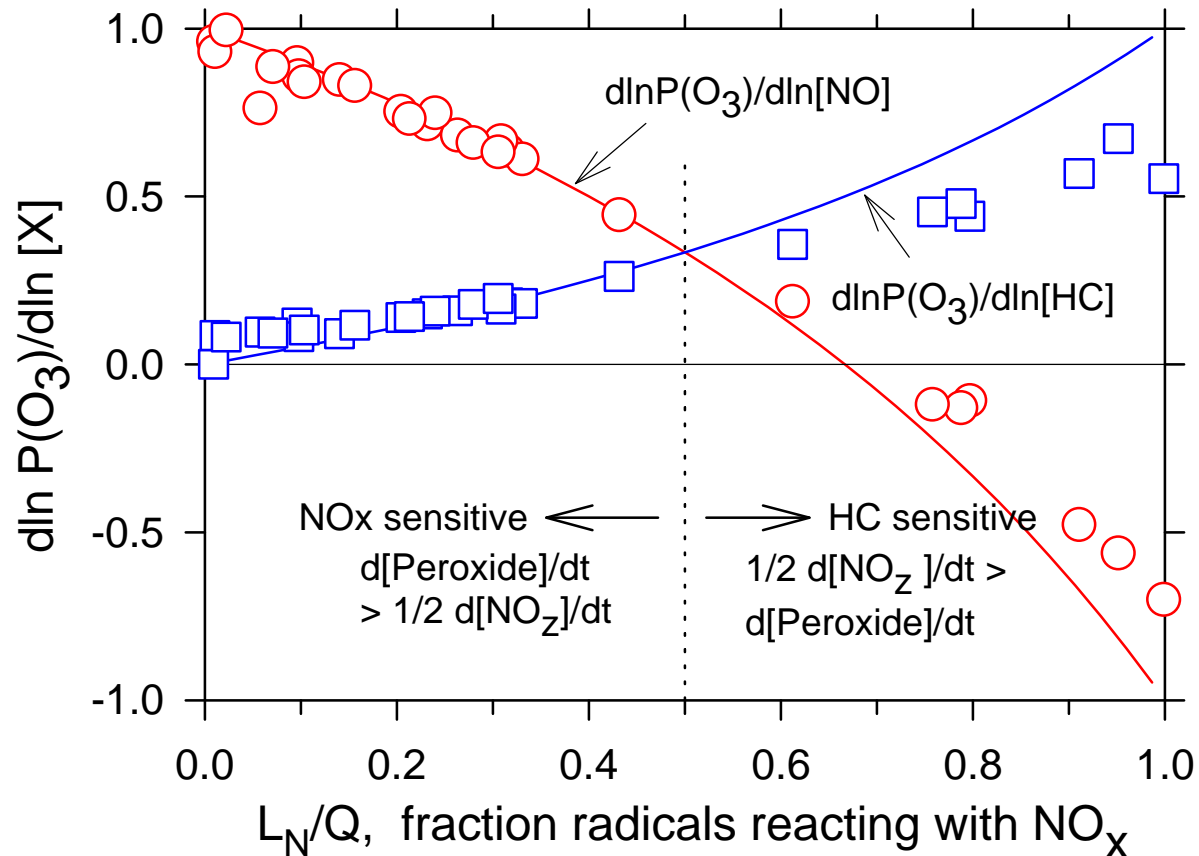
$$d \ln P(\text{O}_3) / d \ln [\text{NO}] = (1 - 3/2 L_N/Q) / (1 - 1/2 L_N/Q)$$

$$d \ln P(\text{O}_3) / d \ln [\text{VOC}] = 1/2 L_N/Q / (1 - 1/2 L_N/Q)$$

A New Result

L_N/Q is a simple analytic function of NO_x , VOCs, and Q

$P(O_3)$ Sensitivity Depends Only on L_N/Q (Old Result)



Data points are CSS calculations from SOS 95
Solid lines are analytic results

L_N/Q Depends on NO_x , VOCs, Q (New Result)

$$L_N/Q = -\alpha/2 + (\alpha^2 + 4\alpha)^{1/2}/2$$

$$\alpha = (k_1[NO_2] k_3\gamma[NO]/(k_2[VOC]))^2 (1/(2 Q k_{eff}))$$

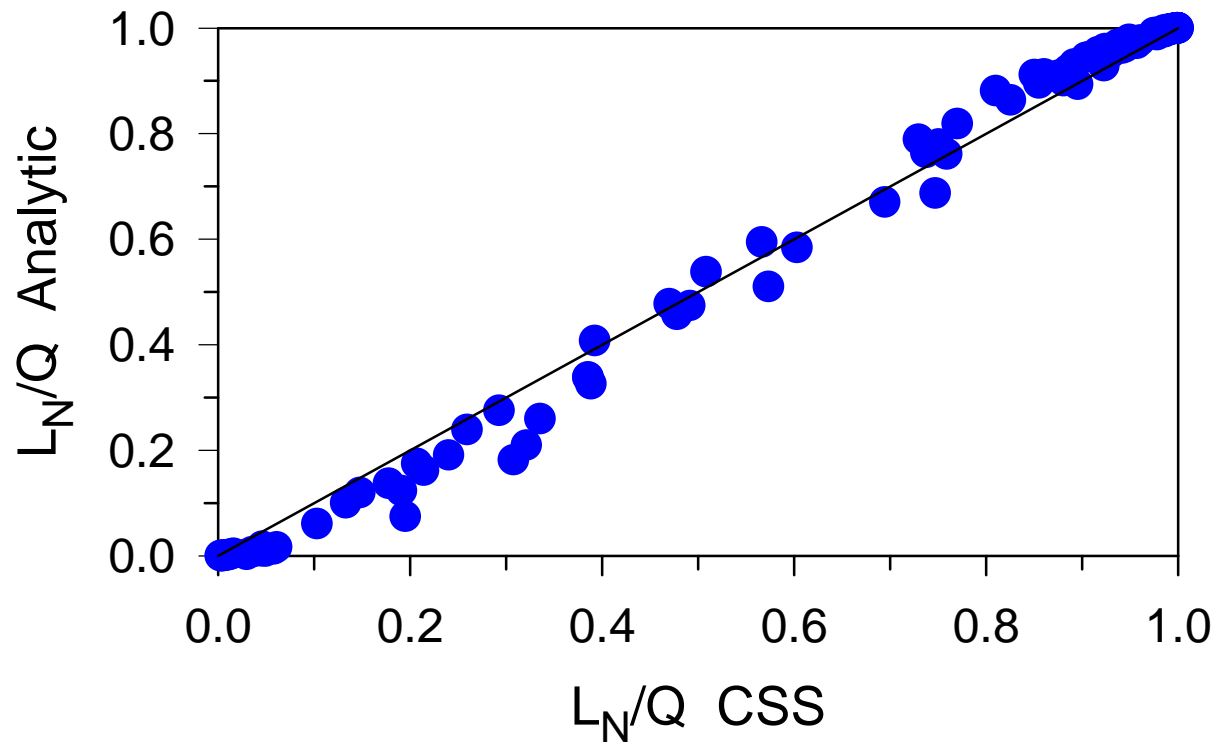


L_N/Q is a monotonic increasing function of:

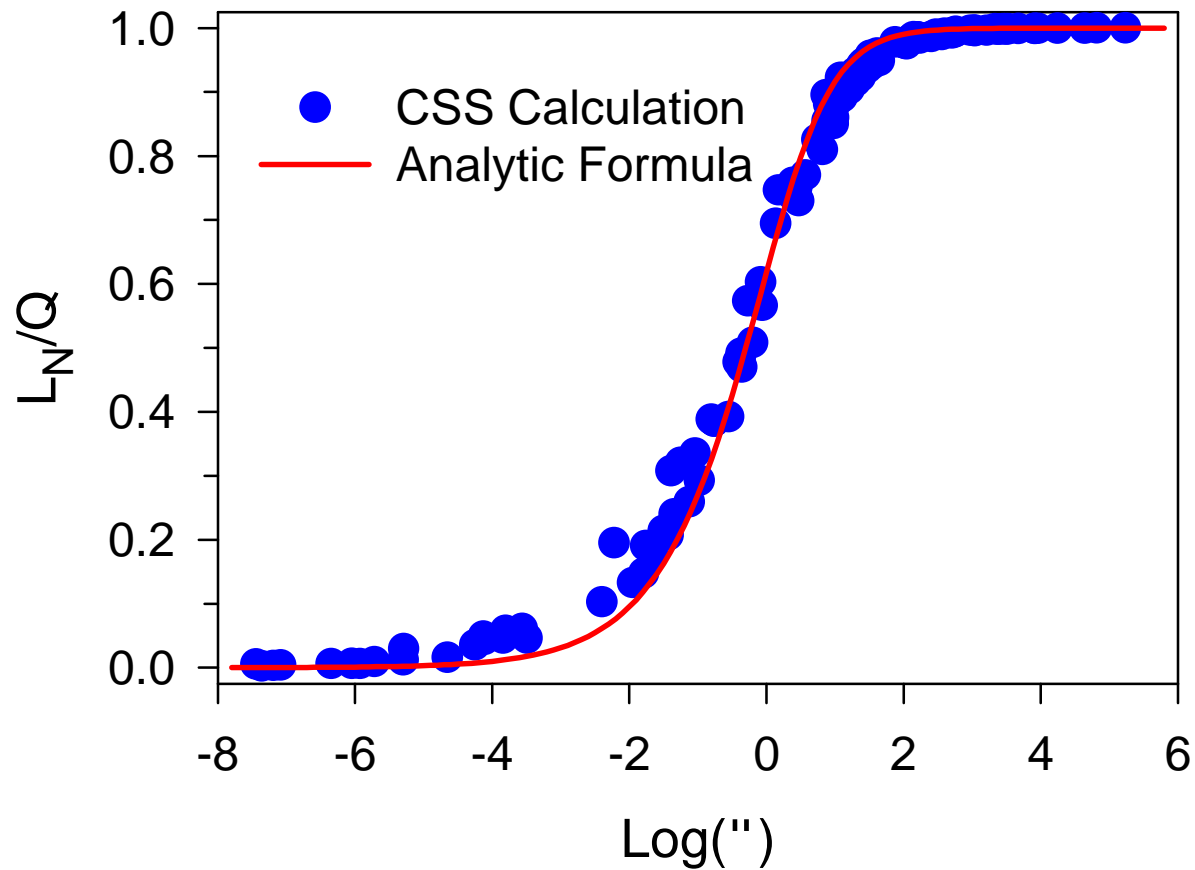
$$([NO_x]^4/[VOC]^2)/Q$$

Test of L_N/Q Analytic Formula

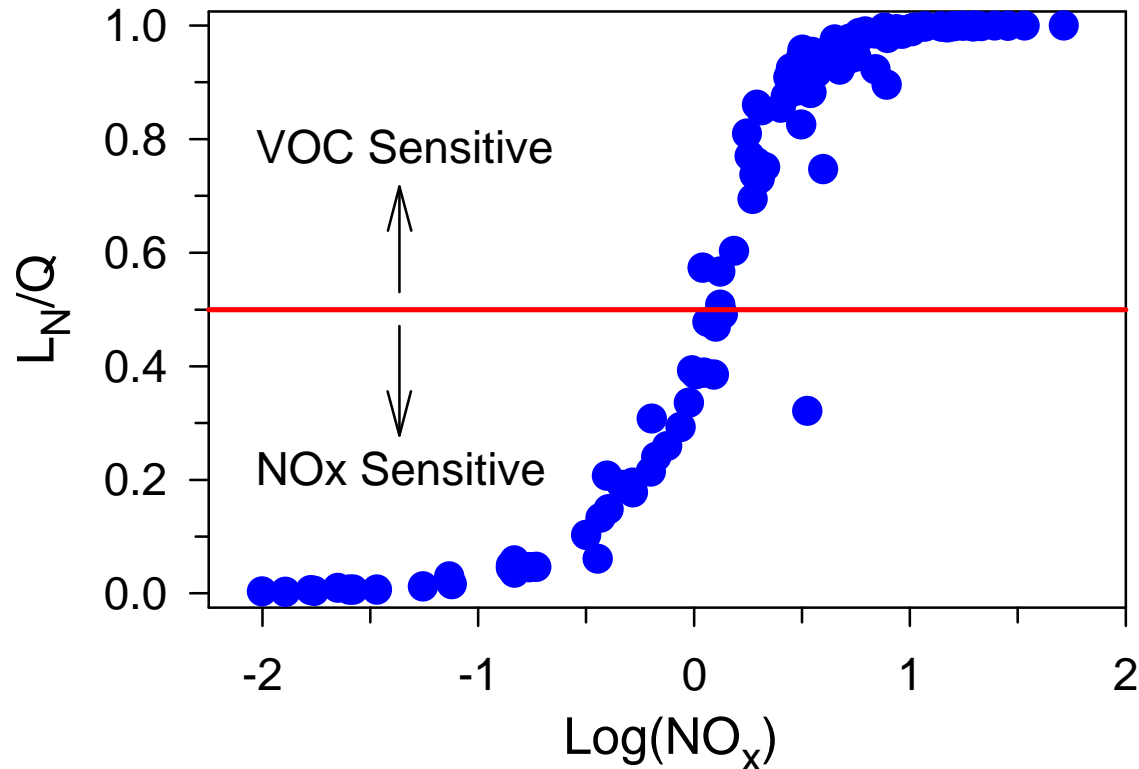
Data from Phoenix



L_N/Q Depends on $([NO_x]^4/[VOC]^2)/Q$



L_N/Q Depends Mainly on NO_x (Phoenix data)



Note very sharp transition at $\text{NO}_x = 1 \text{ ppb}$ from VOC to NO_x sensitive chemistry

PLUME EVOLUTION

L_N/Q Depends on $(NO_x)^2 * (NO_x/VOC)^2 * 1/Q$

- OH Chemistry: Decreases NO_x and (NO_x/VOC)
- Dilution: Decreases NO_x and (NO_x/VOC)
- O_3 Production: Increases Q

For all 3 reasons a plume evolves from VOC sensitive to NO_x sensitive chemistry

Ozone Production Efficiency

$$\text{OPE}_x = \Delta\text{O}_x / \Delta\text{NO}_z \text{ and}$$

$$\text{OPE}_R = \Delta\text{O}_x / \Delta(\text{NO}_z + 2 \text{ peroxide})$$

Number of molecules O_3 formed per NO_x molecule oxidized, or per Radical used

Determined from observed $\text{O}_3 + \text{NO}_2$ and NO_z in a plume – most often as a regression slope

Is this OK?

Great Correlations

Why?

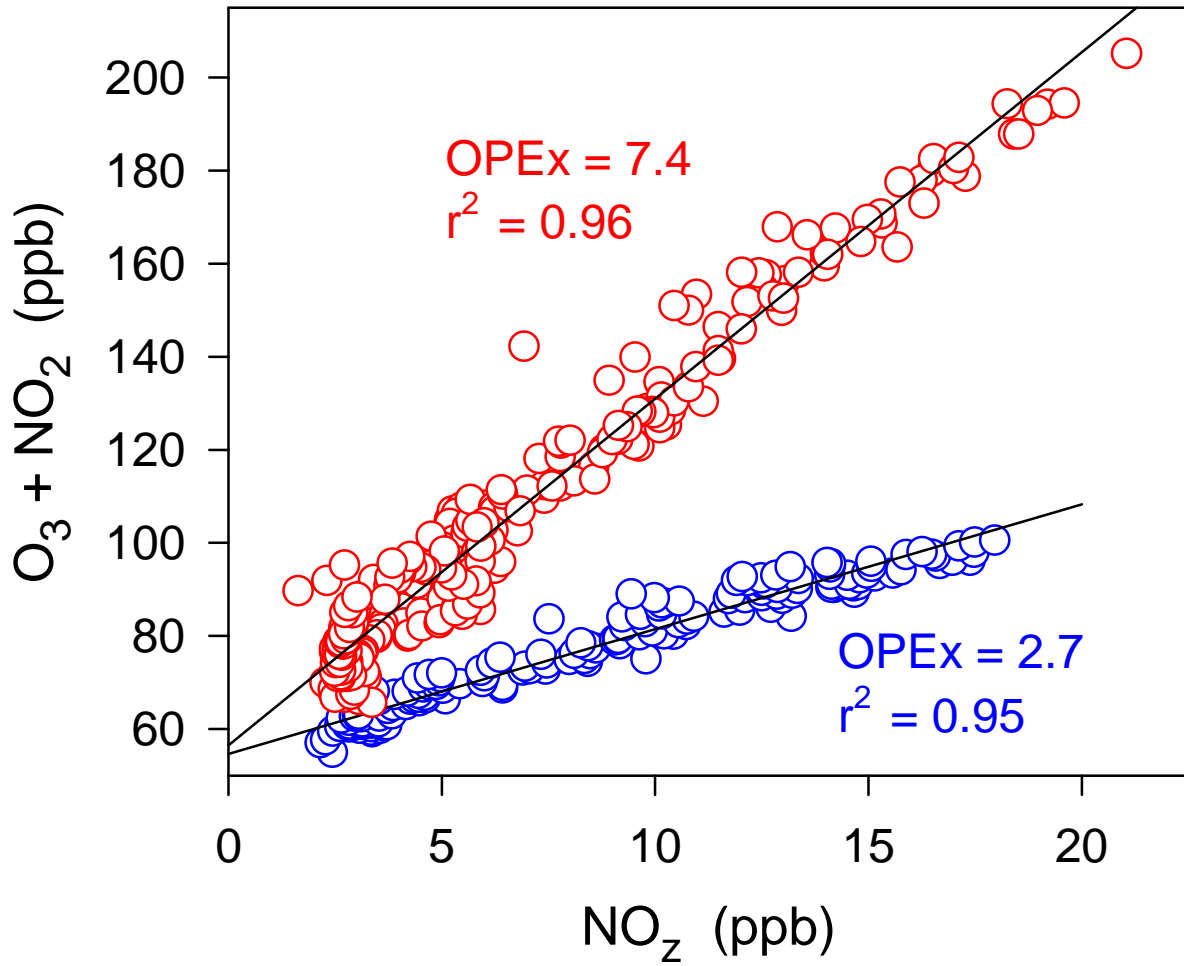
Values vary from place to place

What does this tells us about chemistry and control measures?

CSS calculations give us $P(\text{O}_x) / P(\text{NO}_z)$

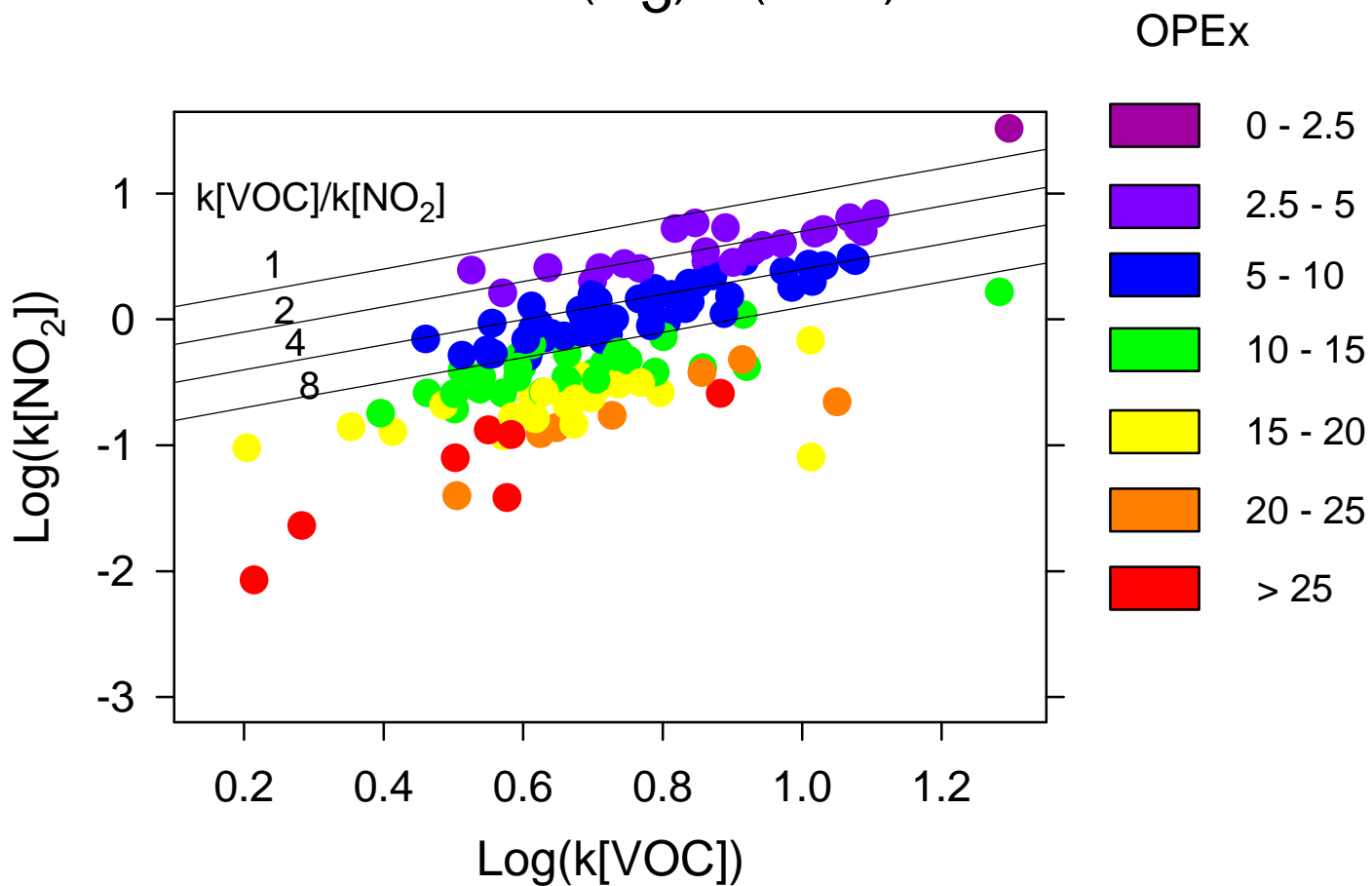
Can OPE_x be determined from local calculations?

Ozone Production efficiency
Texas 821 PM 2000
Phoenix 601 PM 1998



Philadelphia

$OPE_x = P(O_3)/P(NO_z)$



VOCs = All

Future Directions

Use Eulerian Model Output from PNNL

Surrogate reality to augment G-1

True Lagrangian "experiment"

Emission controls

Relation between integrated quantity (ie, O_3) and instantaneous quantity (ie, $P(O_3)$)

Use NCAR Master Mechanism

Role of secondary organics for oxidants and aerosols