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# Effects of signal synchronization on the determination of vehicle environmental performance by on-road tests

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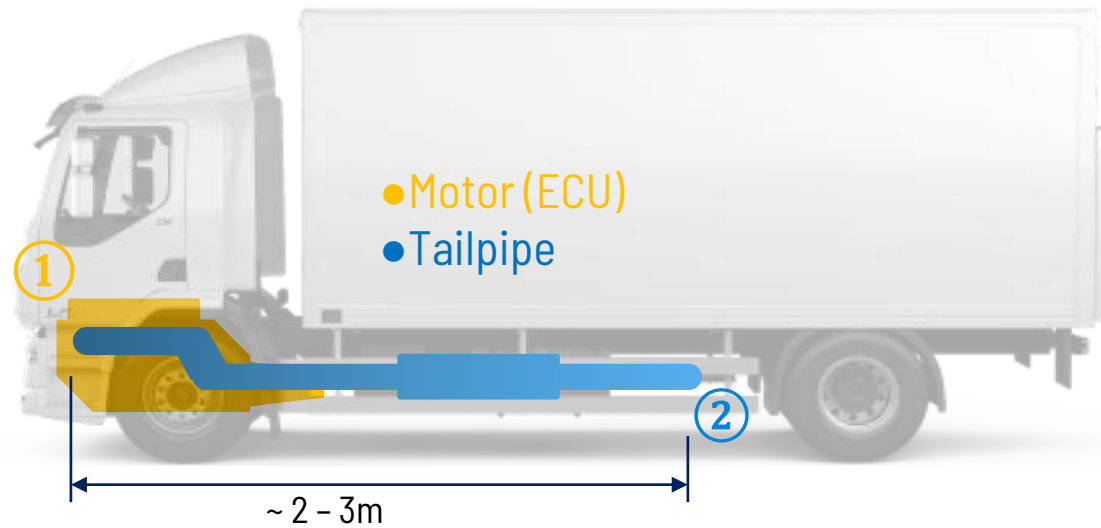
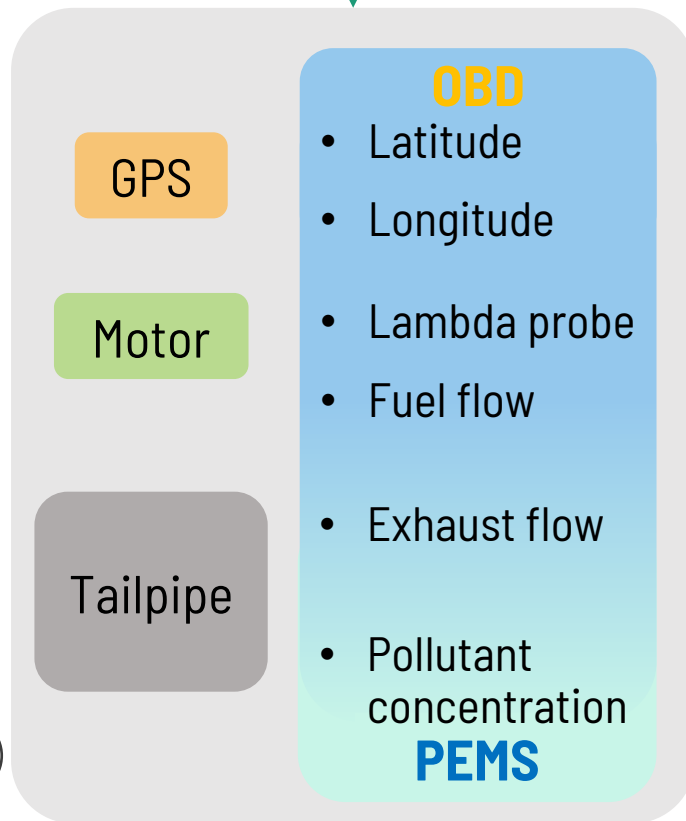
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# Current problem

Measurement of Tailpipe mass emissions

By:



Involves:

Signal offsets

Caused by:

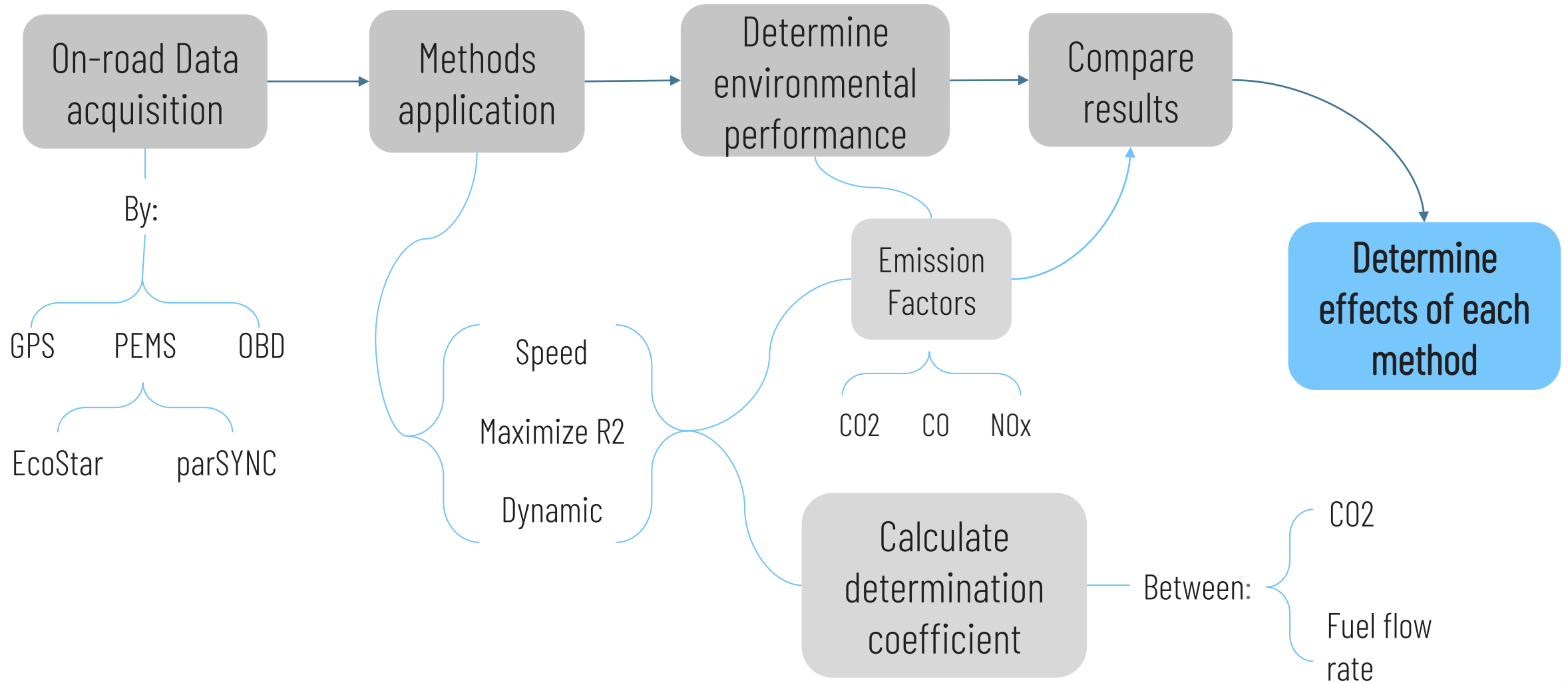
- Different response times
- Measurements before and after combustion
- Time differences in the instrument's activation/ start
- Physical distances between measurements points



# OBJECTIVE

- Process measurements realized in vehicles applying different synchronization methods
- Establish criteria for comparing these synchronization methods
- Identify the most appropriate and reliable synchronization methods
- Evaluate and identify the effects on the results obtained for emission factors by each method

# Methodology





# Scope



## Location

- CDMX and Toluca - Mexico
- Bogotá - Colombia



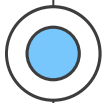
## Vehicle

- Heavy - duty
- Buses
  - Trucks



## Instruments

- GPS
- OBD
- PEMS



# Equipment

Table 2. Technical specifications of PEMS used

	EcoStar	ParSync
<b>Pollutants measured</b>	CO, CO2, NO, NO2	CO, CO2, NO, NO2
<b>Particles measured</b>	-	PM, PN
<b>Size (cm)</b>	43.7 x 40.6 x 23.4	12 x 22 x 13
<b>Weight (kg)</b>	19,8	4.1
<b>Energy supply</b>	12V	Internal, 12V Battery
<b>Measurement range</b>	NO: 0-3000ppm	NO: 0-5000ppm
	NO2: 0-500ppm	NO2: 0-300ppm
	CO2: 0-20%	CO2: 0-20%
	CO: 0-8%	CO: 0-15%
<b>Accuracy</b>	NO: 0.3ppm	NO: 1-2ppm
	NO2: 0.3 ppm	NO2: 0.1ppm
	CO2: 0.01%	CO2: 0.3%
	CO: 0.001%	CO: 0.02%
<b>Exhaust Flow measurement (EFM)</b>	YES	NO



## Sensors Inc SEMTECH ECOSTAR

Figure 6. PEMS used in México  
Source: Sensors, Inc. - Innovative Gas Measurement Solutions (sensors-inc.com)



## 3DATX Par SYNC

Figure 7. PEMS used in Colombia  
Source: <https://3datx.com/parsync/>



# Synchronization methods

1. Speed
2. Maximizing R2
3. Dynamic



# 1. Speed synchronization

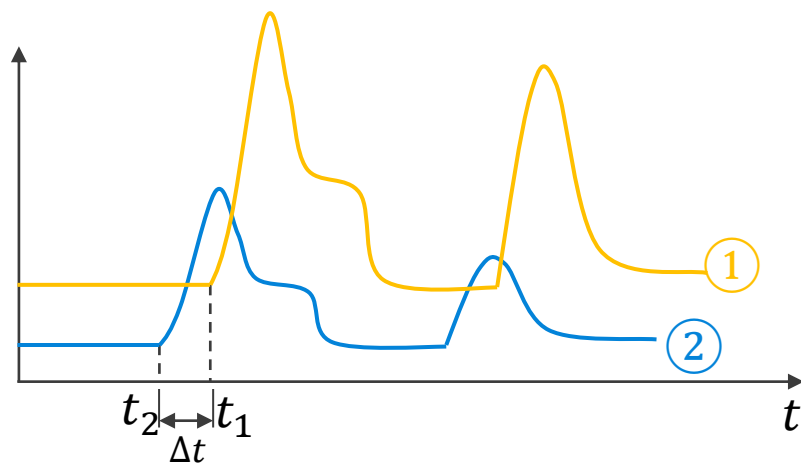


Figure 8. Identification offsets between two signals

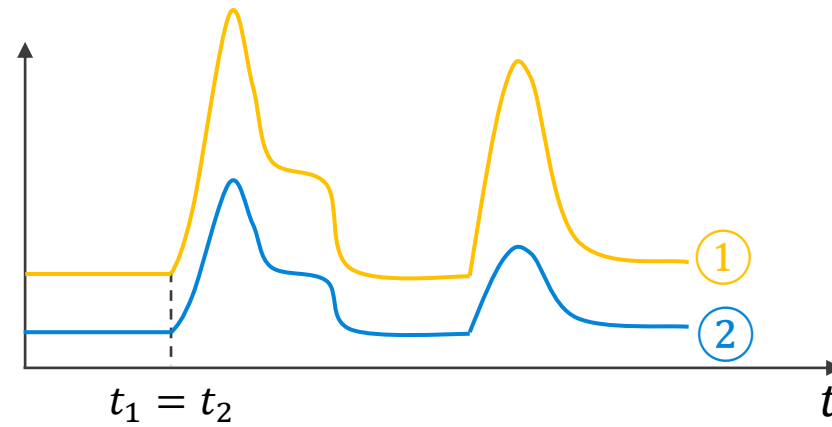
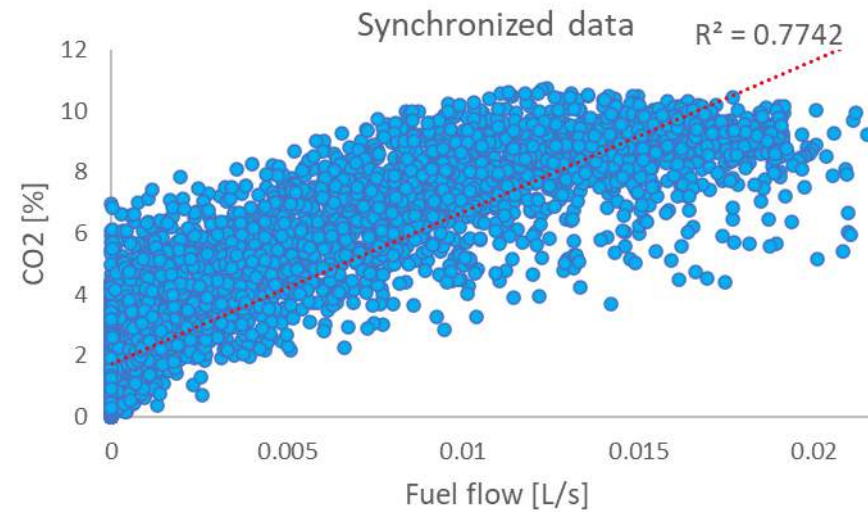
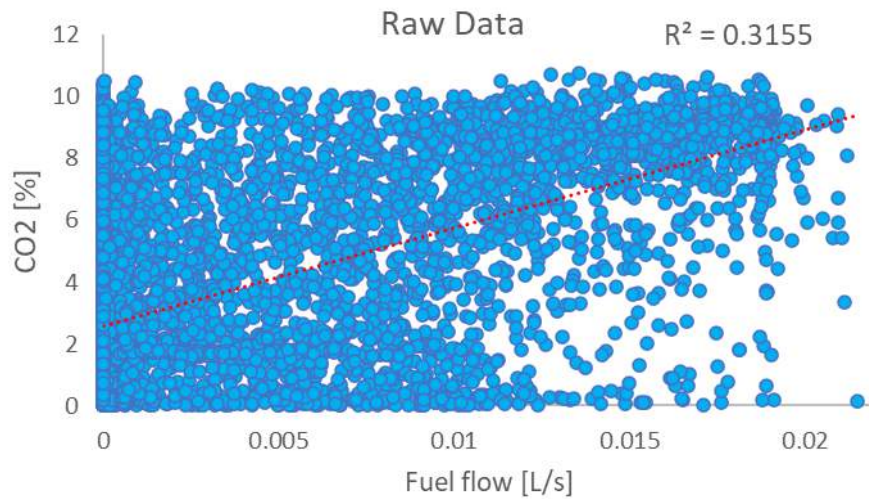
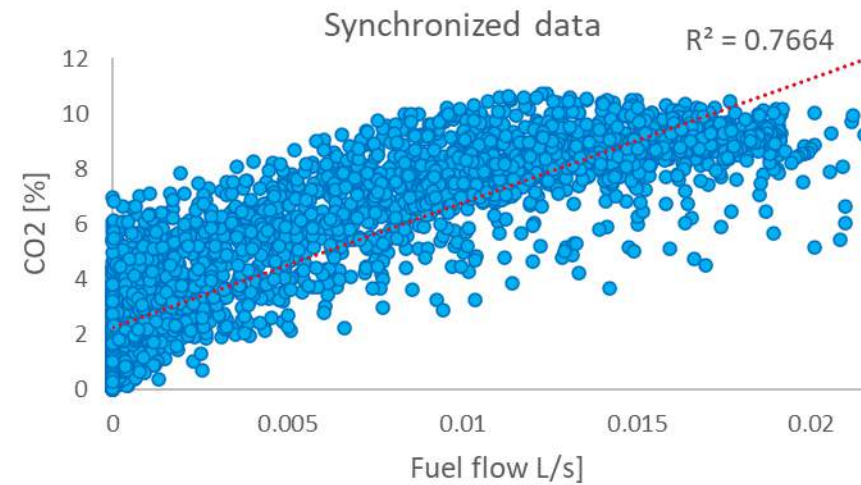
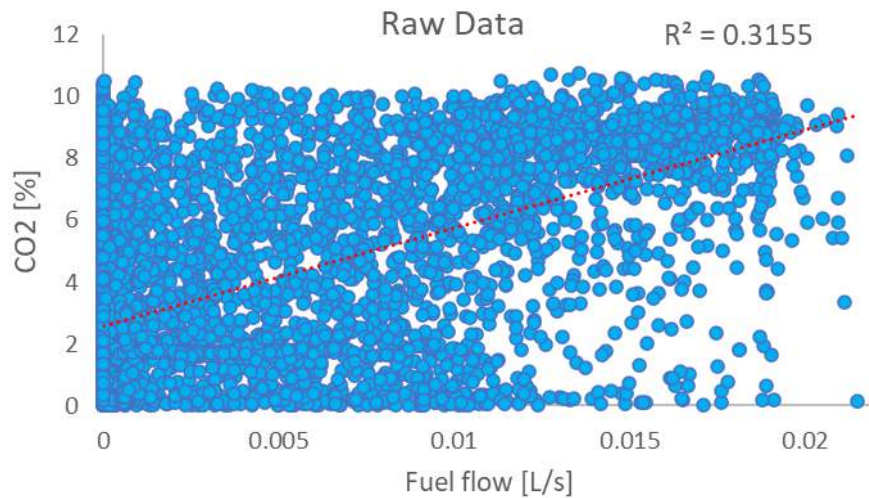
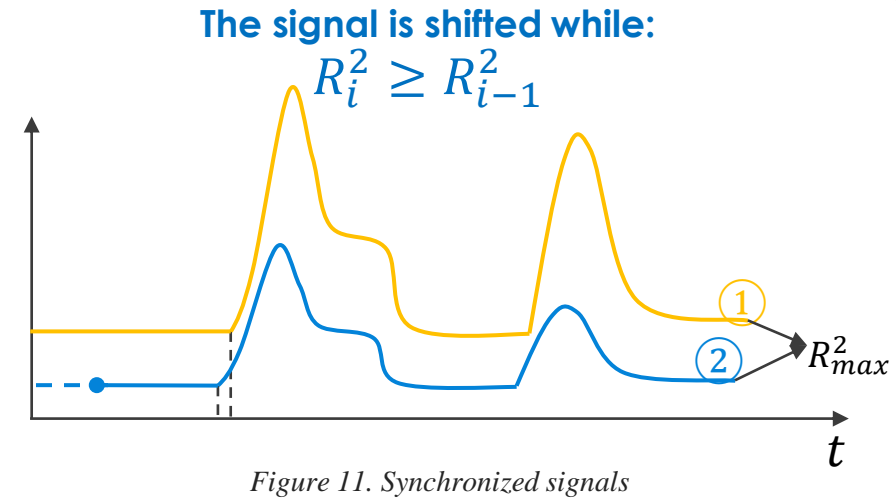
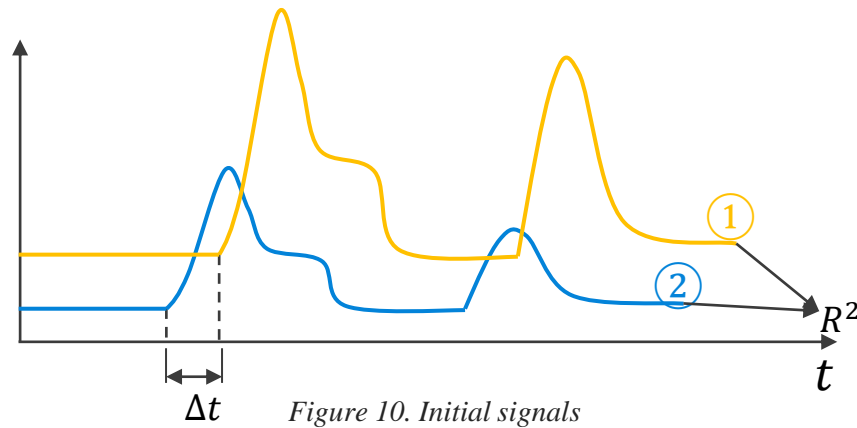


Figure 9. Synchronized signals

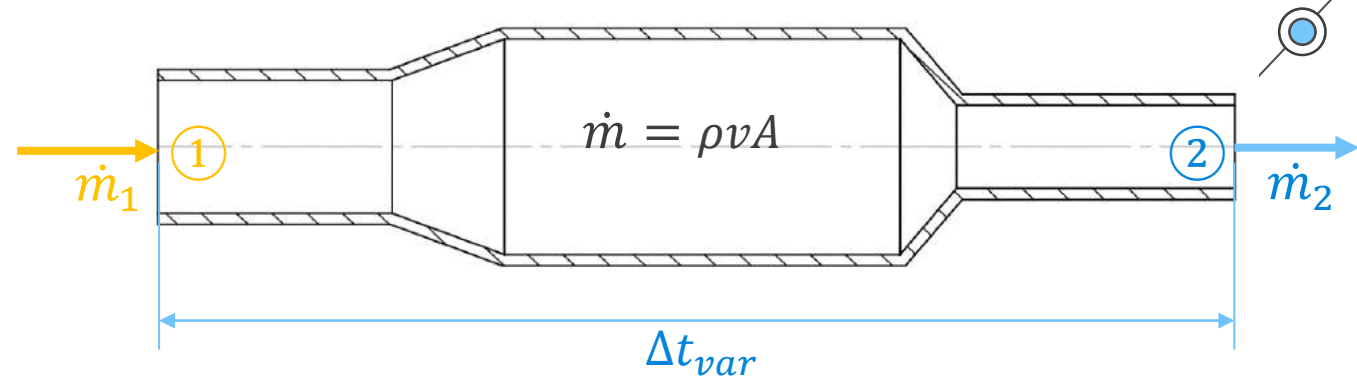
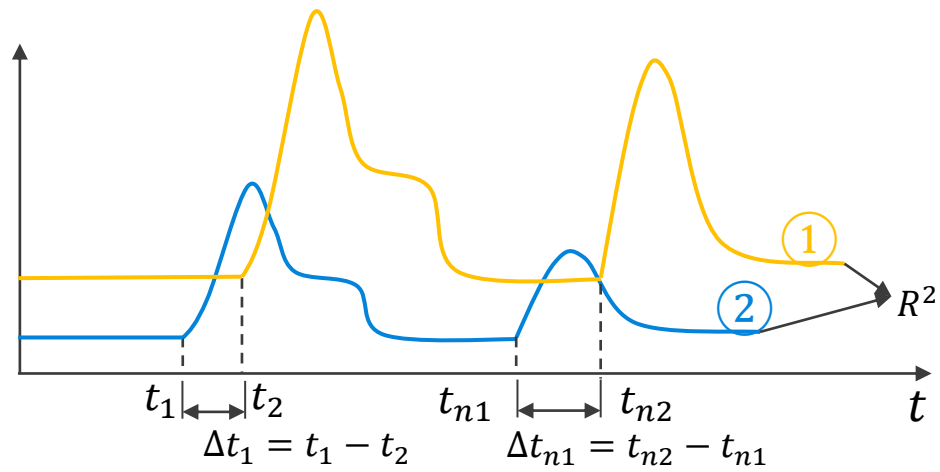


## 2. Synchronization maximizing R2



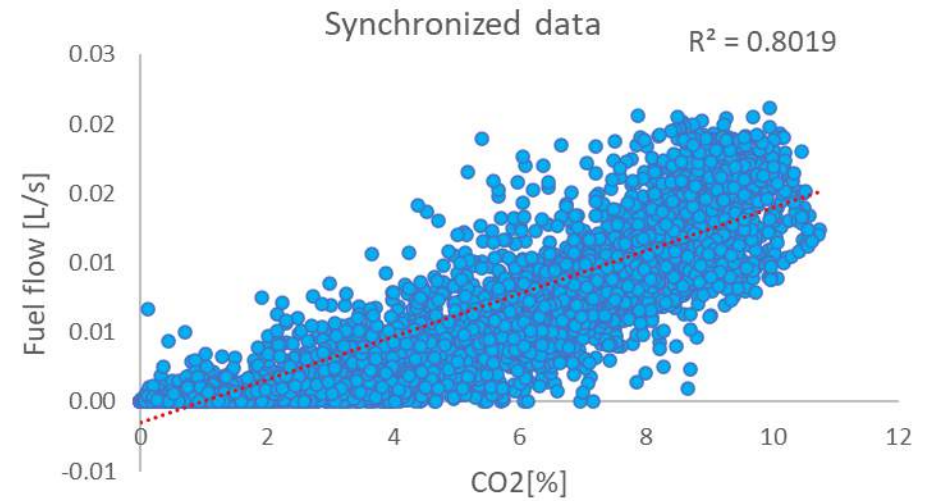
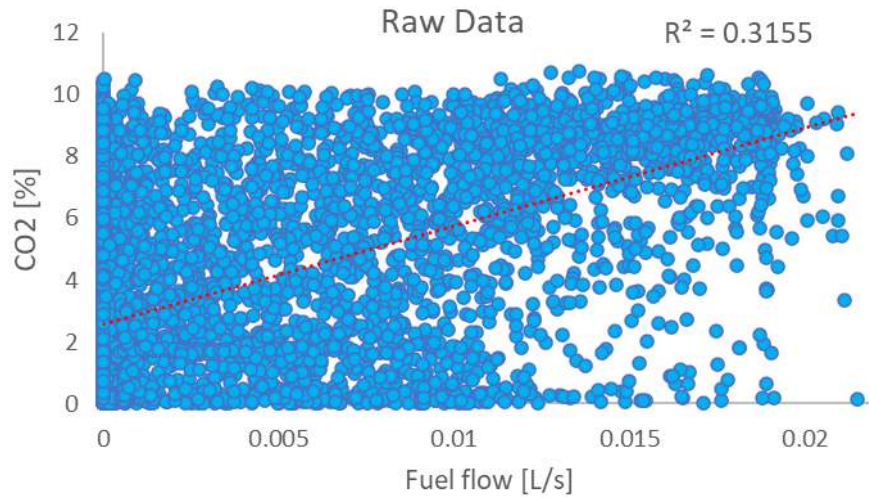
It must be done using two physically related signals, for example:  $CO_2$  and  $\dot{m}_{air}$  or  $CO_2$  and  $\dot{m}_{fuel}$

# 3. Dynamic Synchronization



$$\Delta t_n = \Delta t_{cte} + \Delta t_{var.n}$$

$$\Delta t_{var} = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{\dot{m}} \quad \Delta t_{var} = \beta \cdot \frac{1}{\dot{V}}$$



# Determination coefficients (R2)

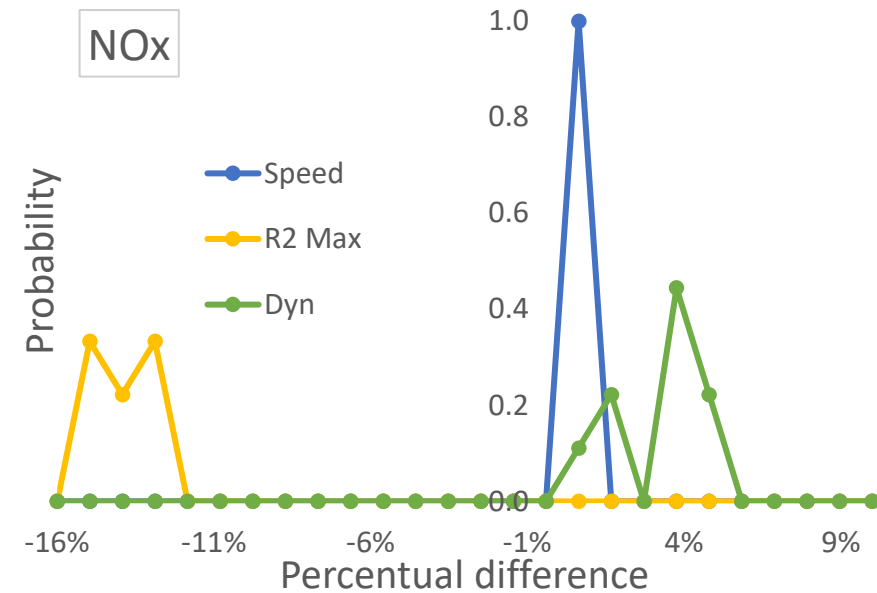
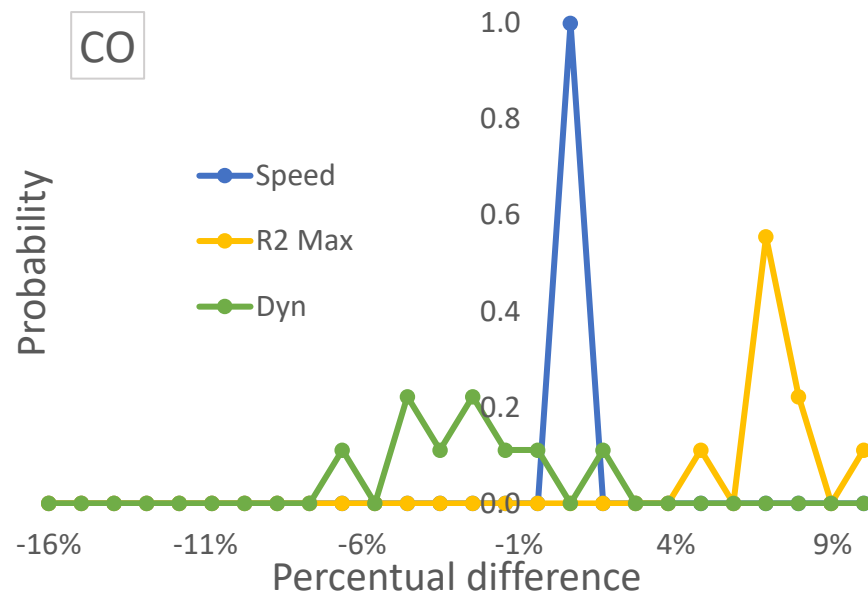
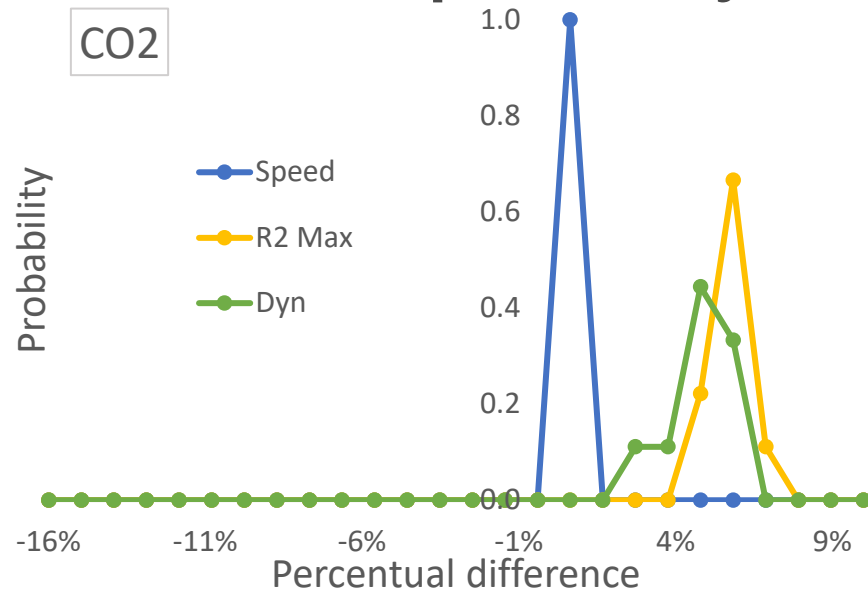
Table 3. R2 coefficients obtained by different synchronization methods

CO <sub>2</sub> vs m <sub>fuel</sub>		R <sup>2</sup> Original	R <sup>2</sup> Speed	R <sup>2</sup> maxim	R <sup>2</sup> Dyn
<b>EcoStar</b>	ES_1	0.18393	0.18684	0.7257	0.7469
	ES_2	0.30694	0.30683	0.6942	0.7193
	ES_4	0.06784	0.06750	0.7182	0.7147
	ES_5	0.00574	0.00574	0.0509	0.4086
	ES_6	0.31552	0.77424	0.7742	0.8018
	ES_7	0.26810	0.24503	0.5973	0.7455
	ES_8	0.31268	0.35209	0.7407	0.7444
	ES_9	0.30164	0.46341	0.5679	0.6872
	ES_10	0.33551	0.33551	0.5558	0.6941
	<b>parSYNC</b>	PS_1	0.30390	0.30371	0.7515
PS_2		0.28988	0.28977	0.7544	0.8049
PS_3		0.13295	0.13257	0.5560	0.6514

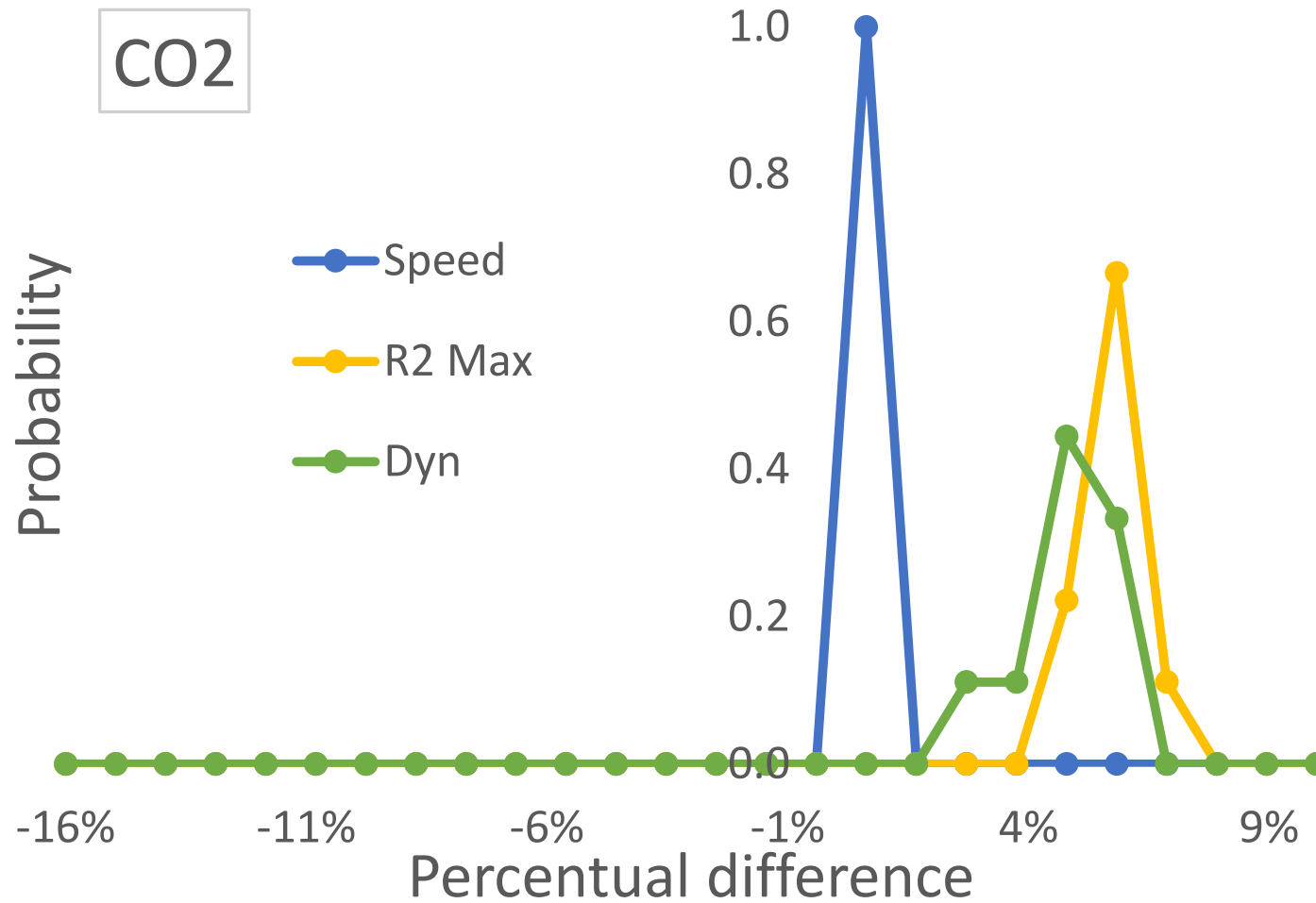
ES\_#[=] Data obtained by EcoStar for the trip number #

PS\_#[=] Data obtained by parSYNC for the trip number #

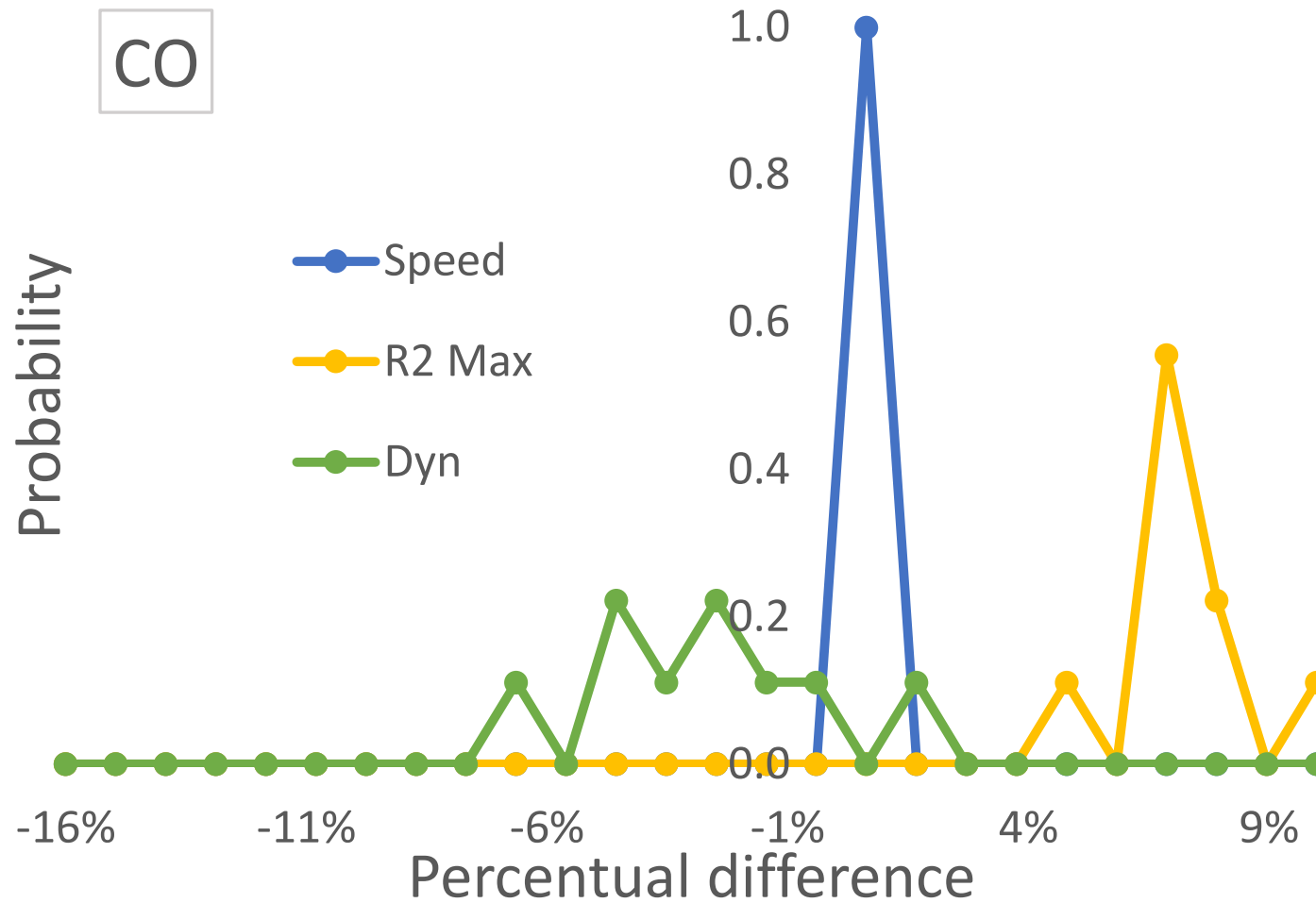
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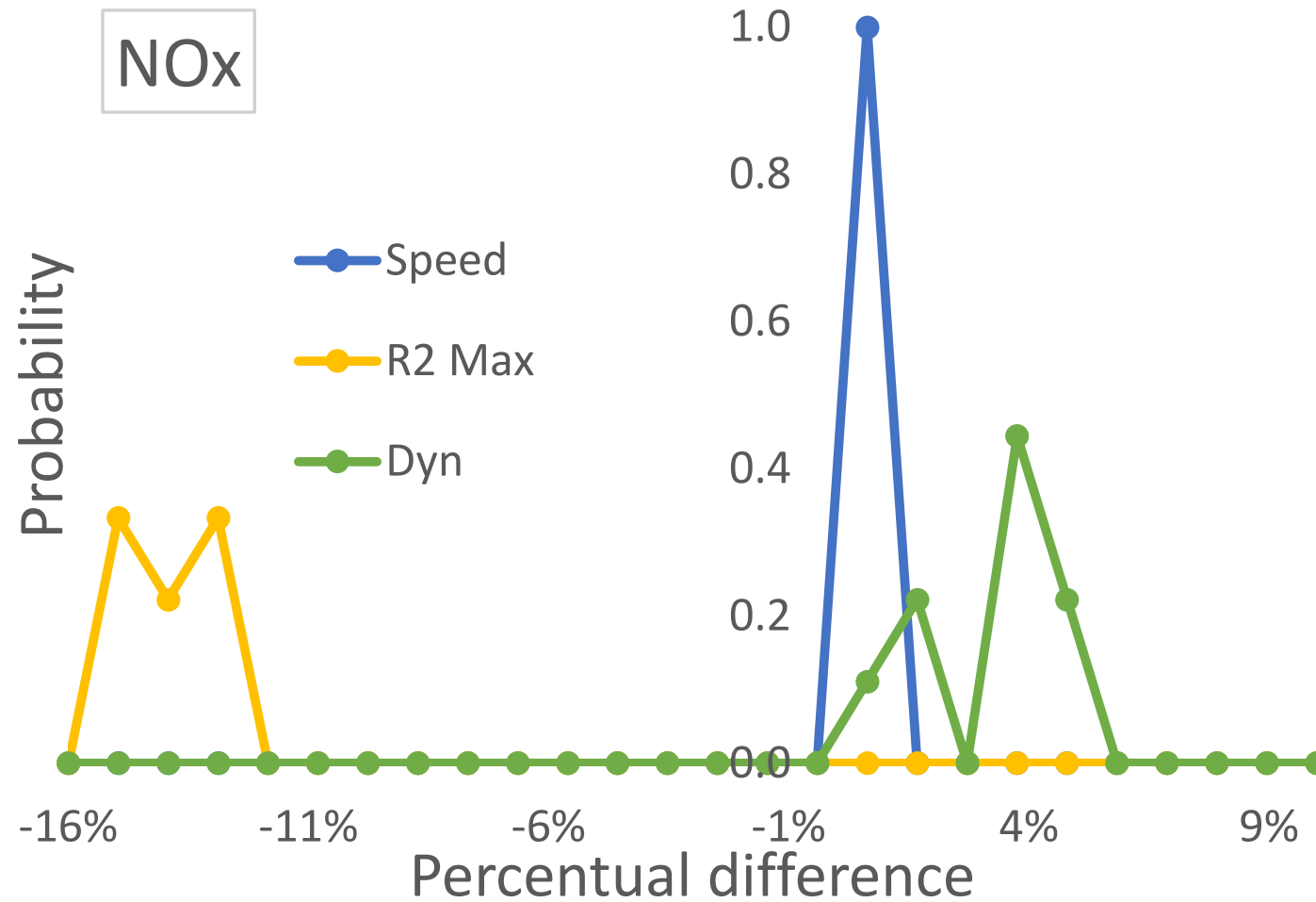
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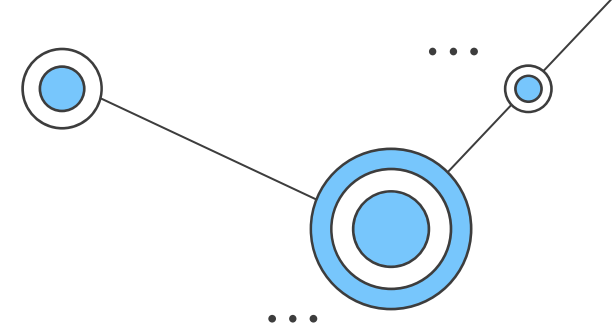


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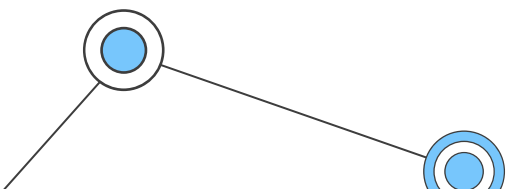




# Preliminary Conclusions



- Synchronization methods do affect the results obtained for emission indexes, with differences of up to 10% between each method analyzed.
- Preliminary results indicate that dynamic synchronization is likely to be the most reliable method.
- The most sensitive pollutant to the methods has been NO<sub>x</sub>, more analysis is required to establish if this is a repetitive behavior.



# Future Work

- Obtain results for all measurements realized with parSYNC.
- Identify and evaluate more refined interpolation methods for dynamic synchronization.
- Interpret the differences found between the results and their effects on the determination of environmental performance.



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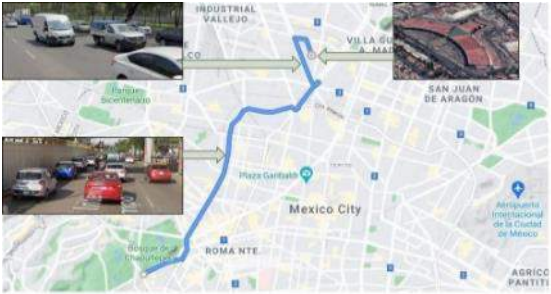



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# Literature review

Title	Reference	Year	City - Country	Altitude [masl]	Equipment	Synchronization method	Remarks
<b>A PEMS study of the emissions of gaseous pollutants and ultrafine particles from gasoline- and diesel-fueled vehicles</b>	(Huang et al., 2013)	2013	Shanghai - China	4	Horiba OBS 2200	Not specified	Only the different response times of the sensors are mentioned.
<b>A Portable Emissions Measurement System (PEMS) study of NOx and primary NO2 emissions from Euro 6 diesel passenger cars and comparison with COPERT emission factors</b>	(O'Driscoll et al., 2016)	2016	Greater London - UK	11	EcoStar	Other method	The coincidence of the peaks in the signals is verified.
<b>Assessing the impact of multi-dimensional driving behaviors on link-level emissions based on a Portable Emission Measurement System (PEMS)</b>	(Yu et al., 2021)	2020	Beijing- China	44	EcoStar OBD	Other method	The time of each module of PEMS is aligned
<b>Main characteristic parameters to describe driving patterns and construct driving cycles</b>	(Quirama et al., 2021)	2021	Ciudad de Mexico, Toluca - Mexico	2256-2624	EcoStar	Synchronization maximizing R2	-
<b>Methodology to assess sustainable mobility in latam cities</b>	(Huertas et al., 2021)	2021	Saltillo- Mexico	1592	RSD Remote Sensing device	Not specified	-
<b>On-road particle number measurements using a portable emission measurement system (PEMS)</b>	(Gallus et al., 2016)	2015	Aachen - Germany	173	Ecostar	Speed synchronization	Coincidence between PN and CO peaks
<b>Real emissions, driving patterns and fuel consumption of in-use diesel buses operating at high altitude</b>	(Giraldo & Huertas, 2019)	2019	Ciudad de Mexico - Mexico	2256	EcoStar	Synchronization maximizing R2	-
<b>The impacts from cold start and road grade on real-world emissions and fuel consumption of gasoline, diesel and hybrid-electric light-duty passenger vehicles</b>	(He et al., 2022)	2022	Macao - China	22	EcoStar	Synchronization maximizing R2	Synchronization between speed data measured by OBD and GPS
<b>Real-world activity, fuel use, and emissions of heavy-duty compressed natural gas refuse trucks</b>	(Sandhu et al., 2021)	2021	California		GlobalMRV-Axion	Other method	Coincidence between CO concentration and Motor RPM

# Location

Geographic location	Route length [km]	Altitude [masl]	Temperature	Atmospheric pressure [kPa]
	11	2685	8-17	74,3
	11,5	2240	6-27	75,9
	18,8	2660	0-23	73,6

# Vehicles evaluated

Table 1. Technical specifications of vehicles evaluated

	México	Bogotá
<b>Size(m)</b>	12.85 x 3.6 x 2.6	7.425 x 2.2 x 2.5
<b>Capacity</b>	49 Passengers 2100kg	5000-8000kg
<b>Fuel</b>	Diesel	Diesel
<b>Curb vehicle weight(kg)</b>	13850	10400
<b>Motor</b>	Cummins ISM 425, 6 cylinders, 10.8L, compression ratio 16.3, 425HP, 2102 Nm	ISUZU 4HK1-TCC, 4 cylinders, 5.2L, compression ratio 17.5, 187HP, 509.95Nm
<b>Tires</b>	305/75/R24.5	235/75/R17.5
<b>Model</b>	2012-2014	2022
<b>Emission control Technology</b>	USEPA 2004	EURO IV
<b>Particle filter</b>	NO	-
<b>EGR</b>	YES	YES
<b>DOC</b>	NO	YES
<b>SCR</b>	NO	-
<b>Frontal Area (m2)</b>	8.47	-
<b>Drag coefficient</b>	0.64	-
<b>Rolling resistance coefficient</b>	0.06	-



Figure 4. Vehicle evaluated in Mexico  
Source: <https://movilbus.blogspot.com/2011/07/buss-car-visstabuss-elegance-360.html>

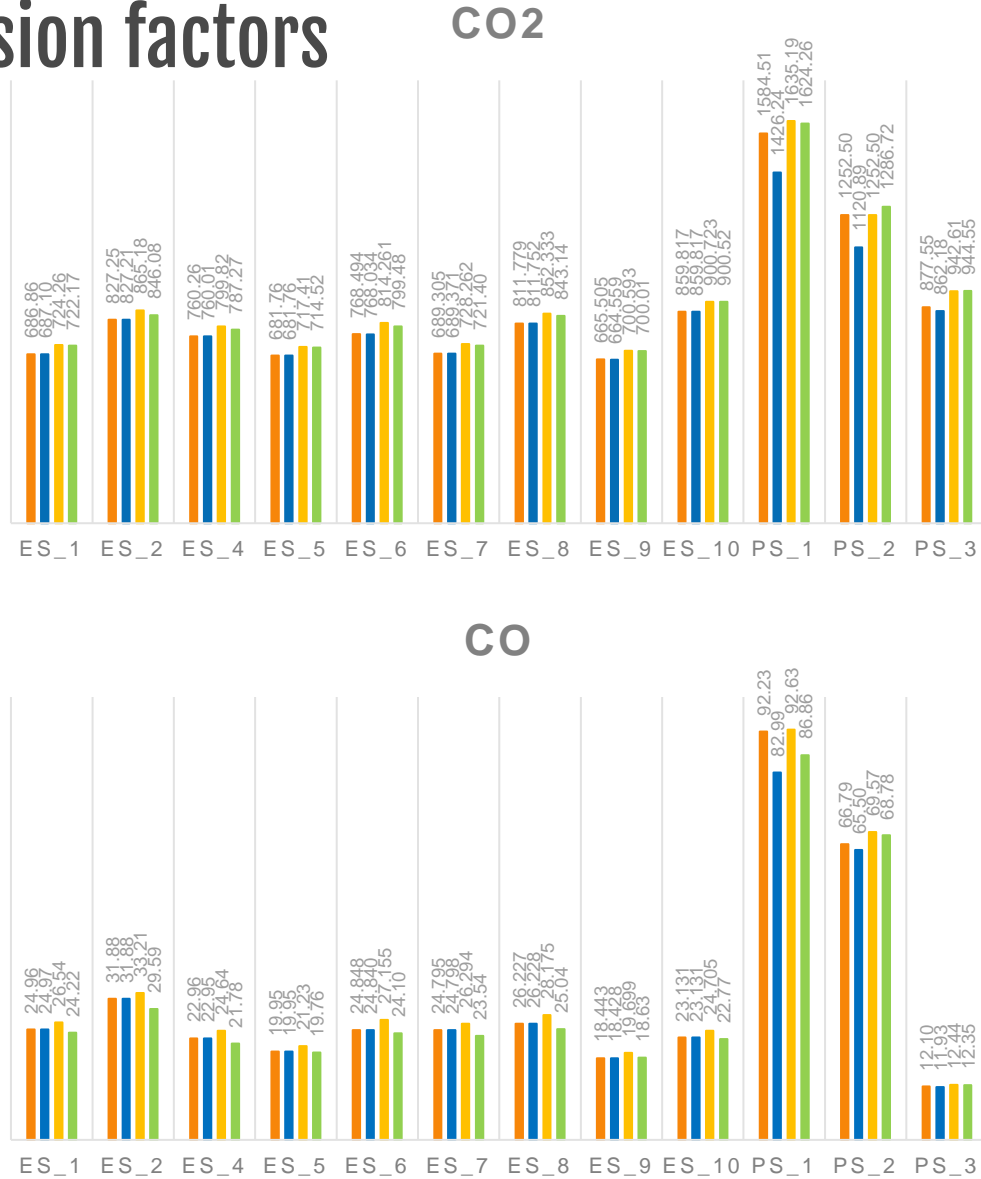


Figure 5. Vehicle evaluated in Colombia  
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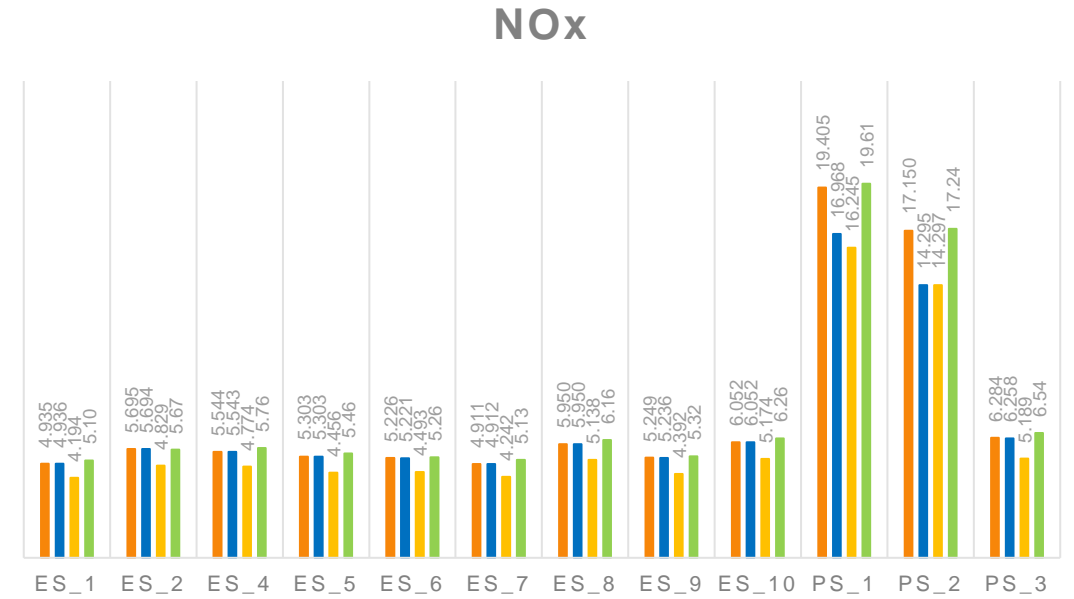


# Emission factors

Emission factors(g/km)



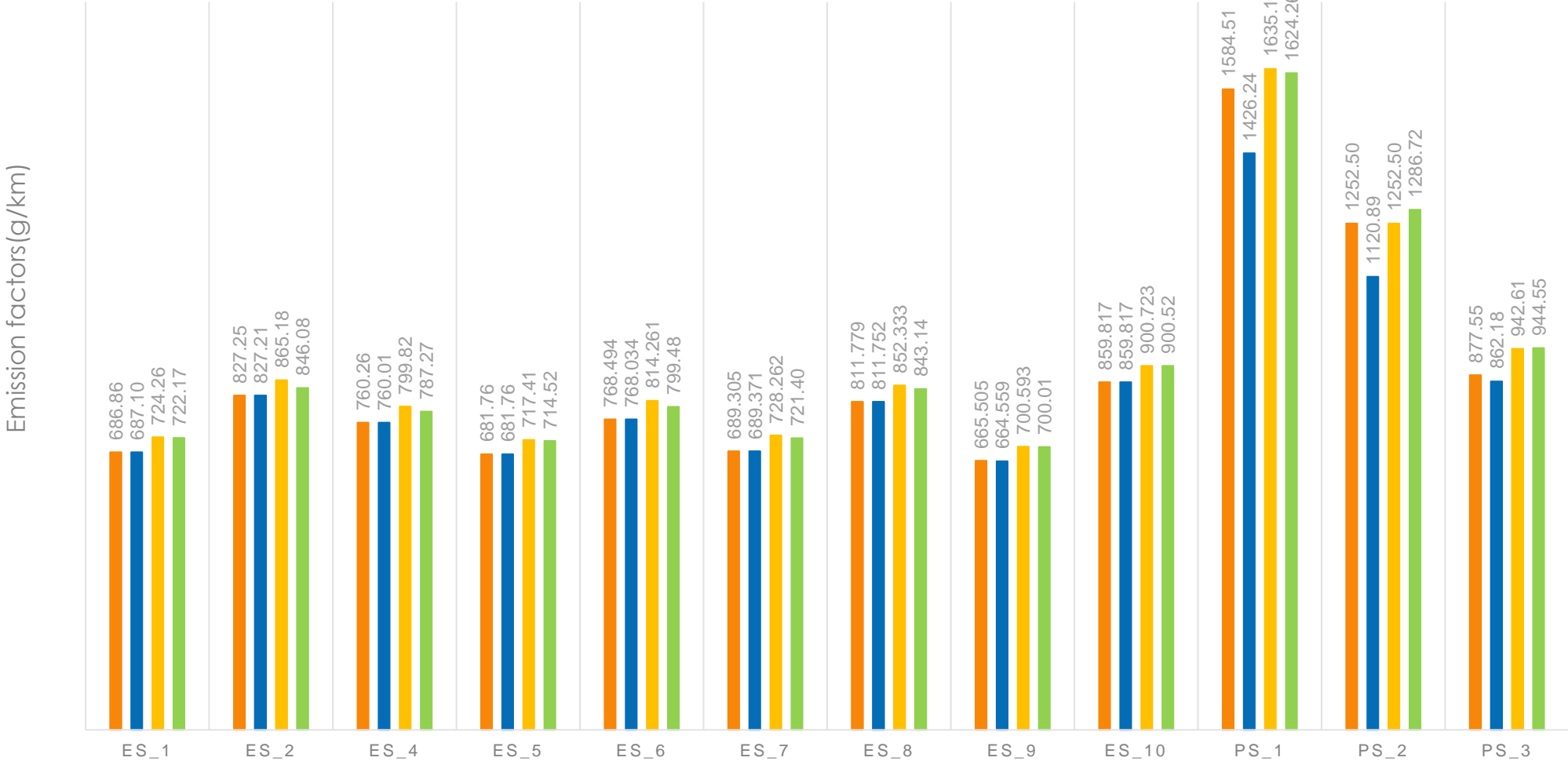
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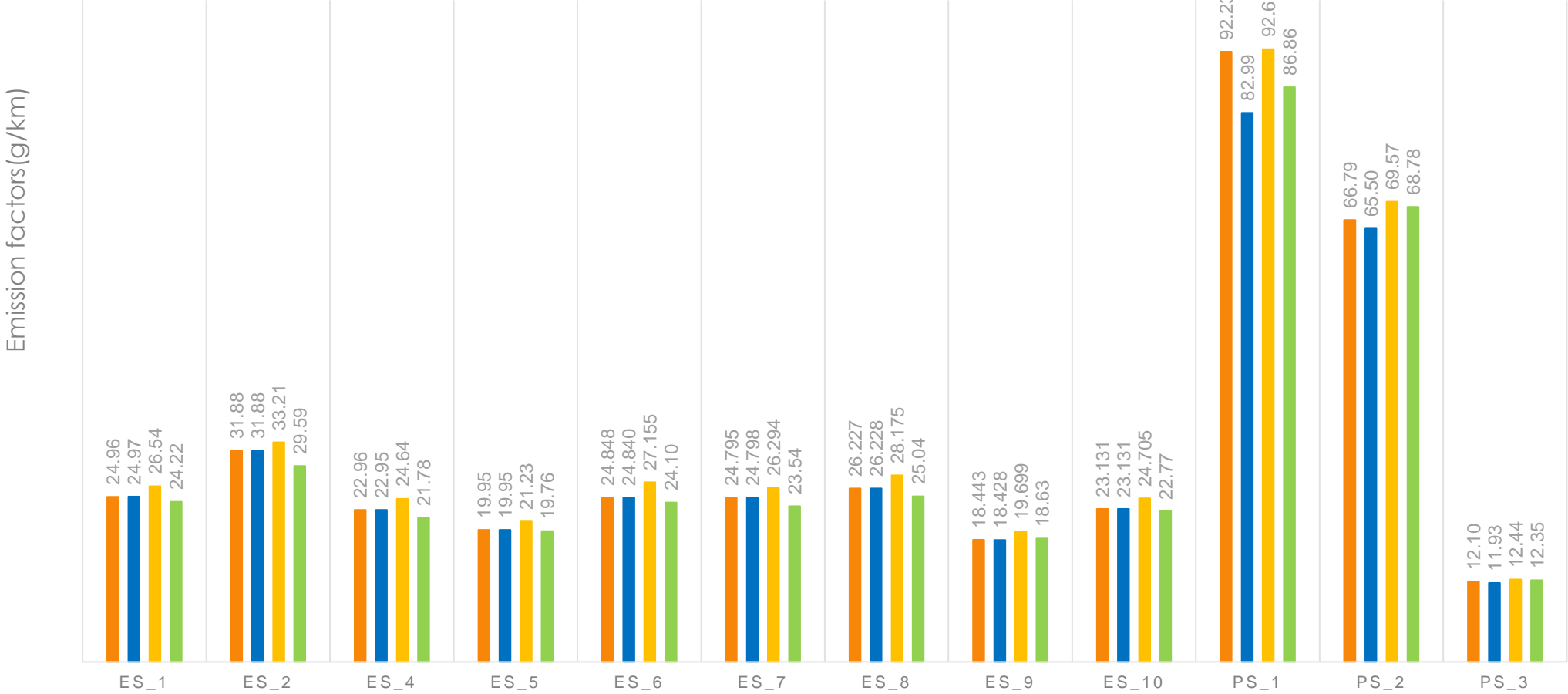
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## NOx

