

Duty Cycle Analysis & Tools: Maximizing Vehicle Performance



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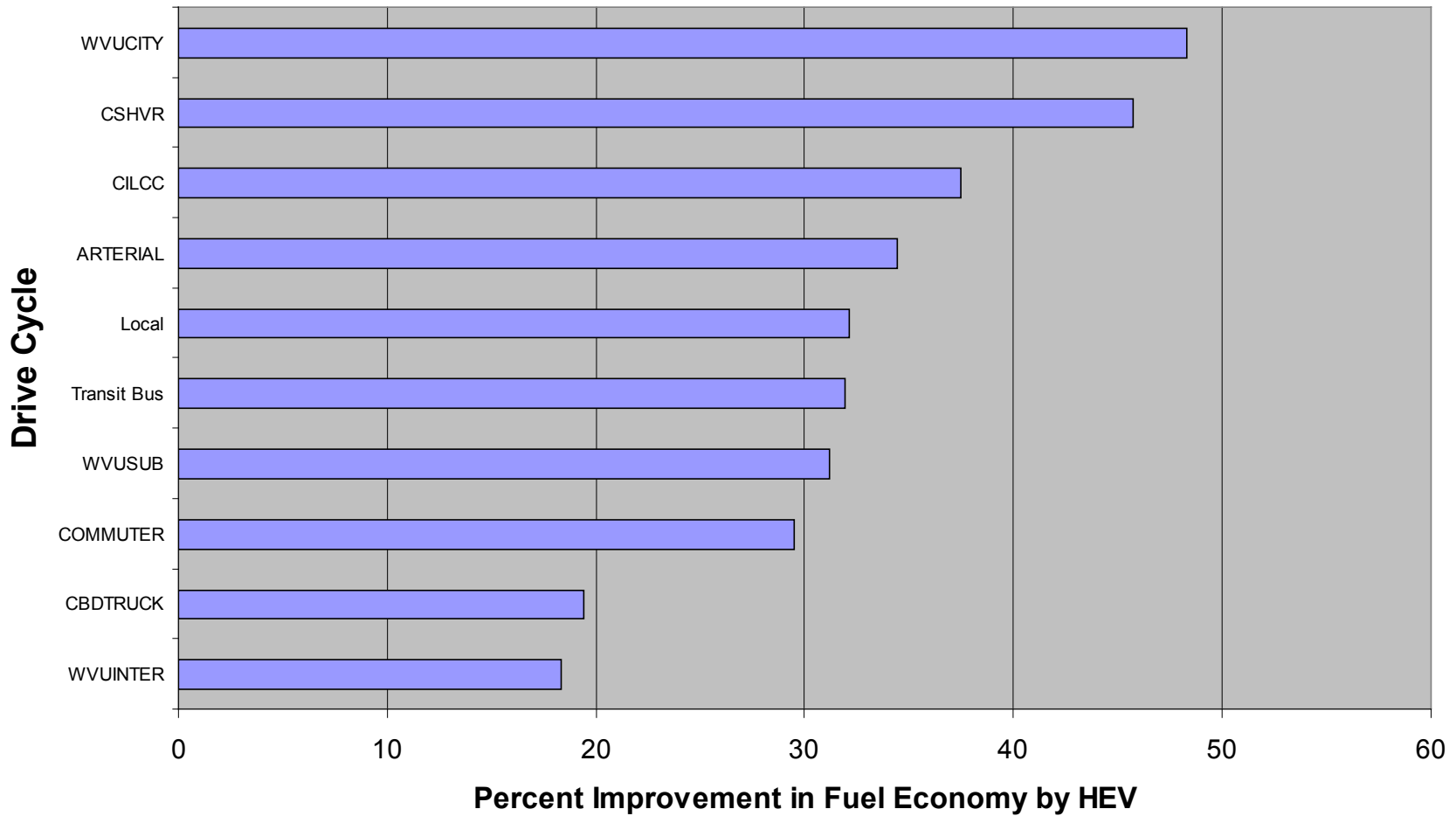
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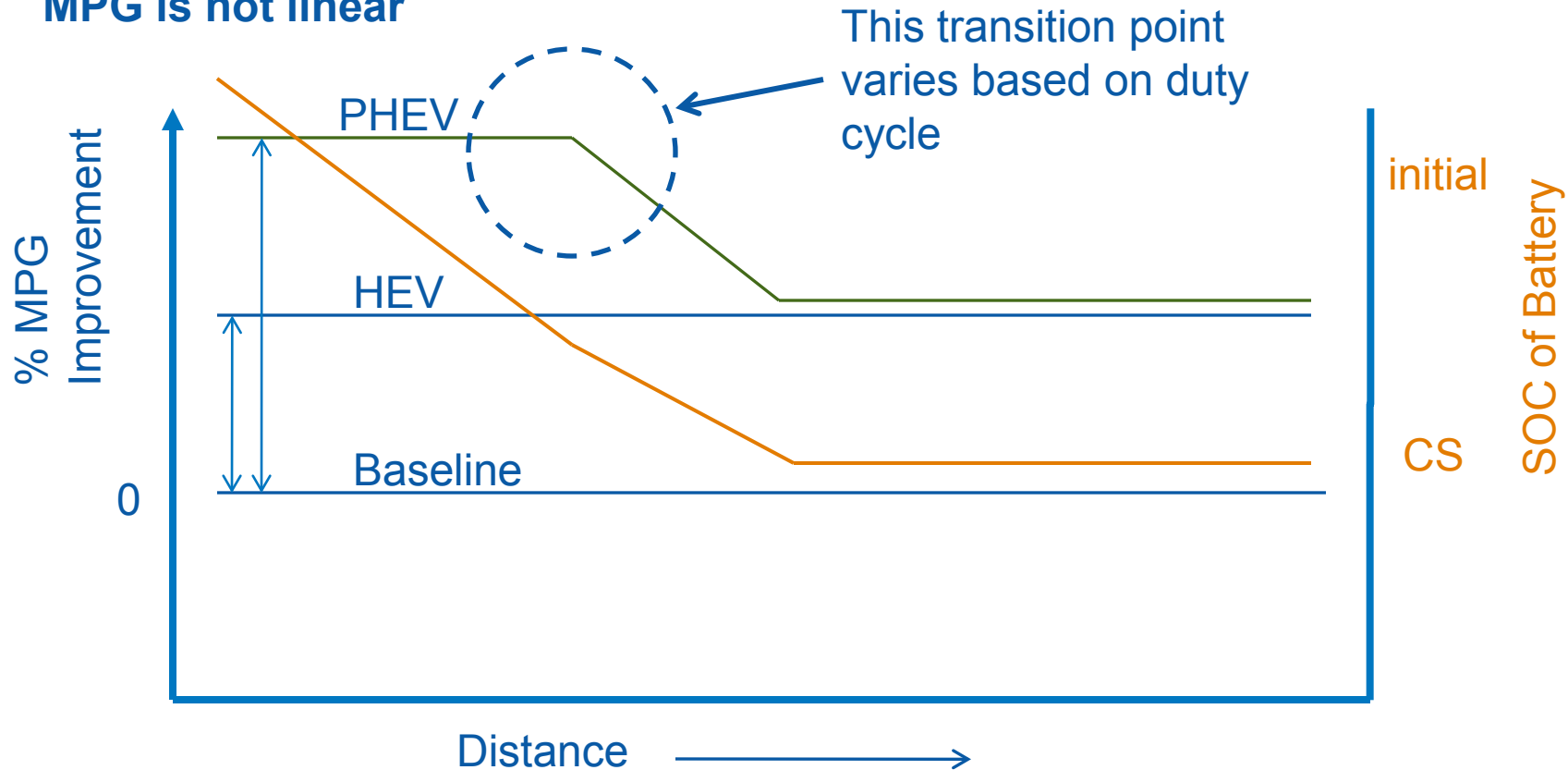
Duty Cycle Affects MPG and Emissions!

Example of HEV improvement in fuel economy over various duty cycles:



It gets more complicated with PHEV's!

Add in another factor: distance driven on a given drive cycle – MPG is not linear



You'll now need to know:

- 1) What type of cycle do I have? and
- 2) How long do I drive on that cycle in order to calculate mpg?

So, Who Should Care and Why?

Top 3 Questions in Each Area

Fleets:

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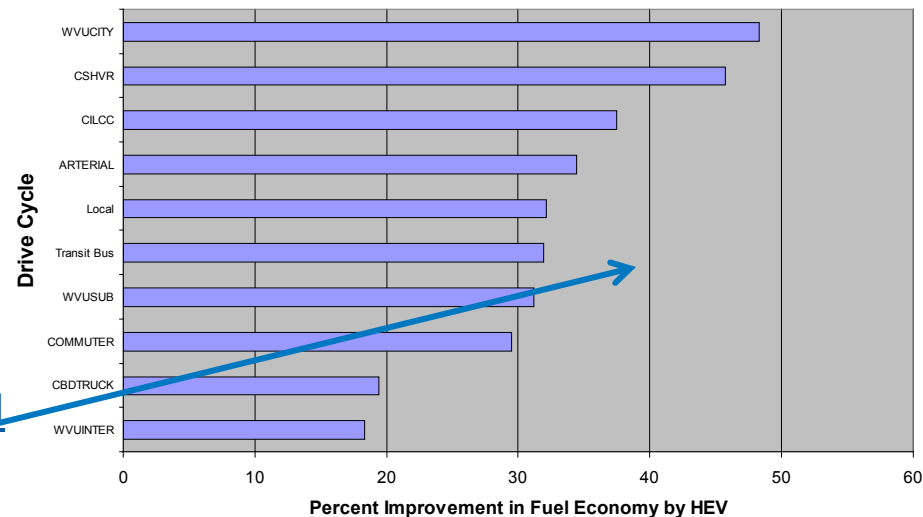
Example: What is the payback?

Typical Example: Purchase a 'traditional' truck or an 'HEV'? The 'HEV' costs \$25k more. It's driven 20,000 miles per year and it currently gets 10 mpg. Fuel = \$3.00/gal.

(Cost = \$6,000/vehicle/yr)

- If the HEV gets a +10% improvement (11 mpg) the payback through fuel reduction is roughly 46 years (\$5400/vehicle/year)
- If the HEV gets a +50% improvement (15 mpg) my payback (through fuel reduction) is roughly 12 ½ years (\$4000/vehicle/year)

Bottom Line: you'd better know where you'll fall on fuel economy before you invest!

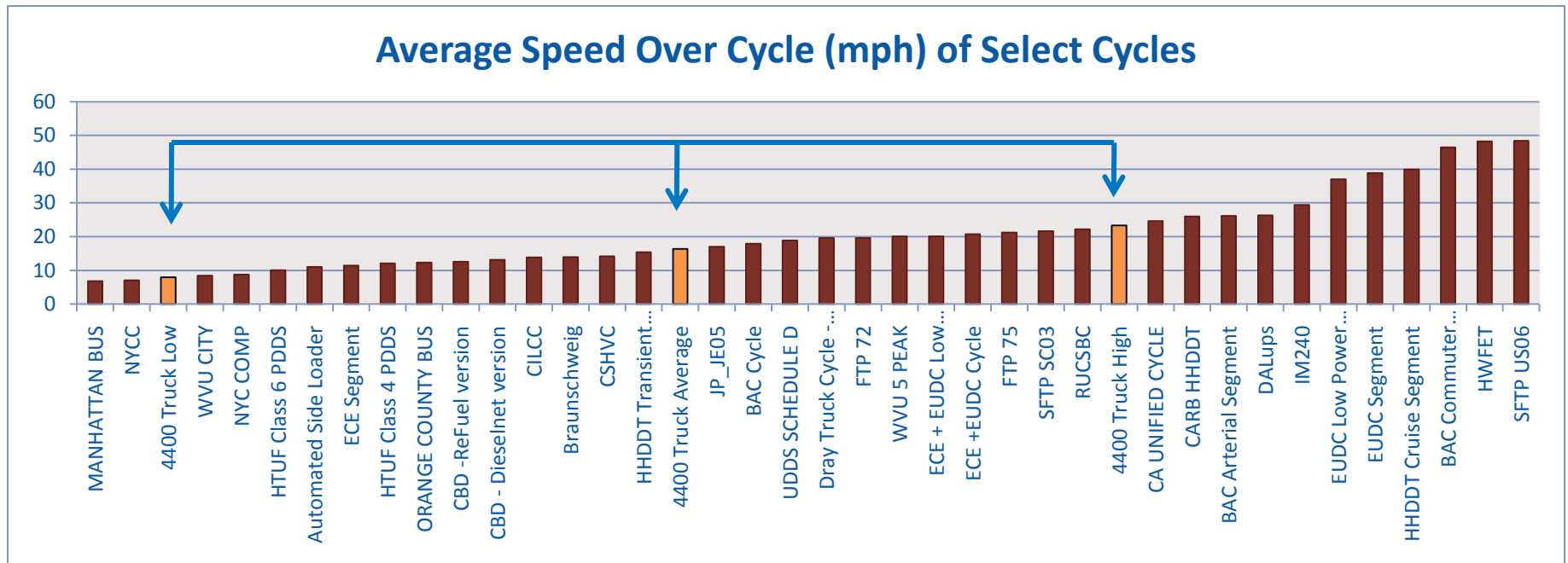


EPA Window Sticker: 'Actual mileage may vary'!

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Example: Where should I place the vehicles in my fleet?

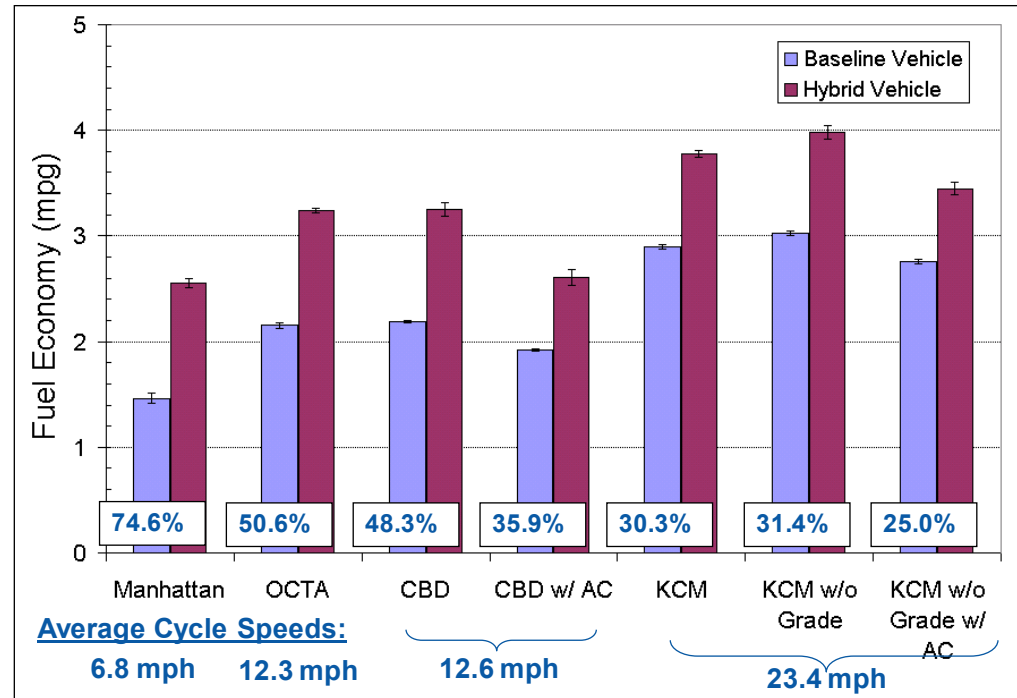
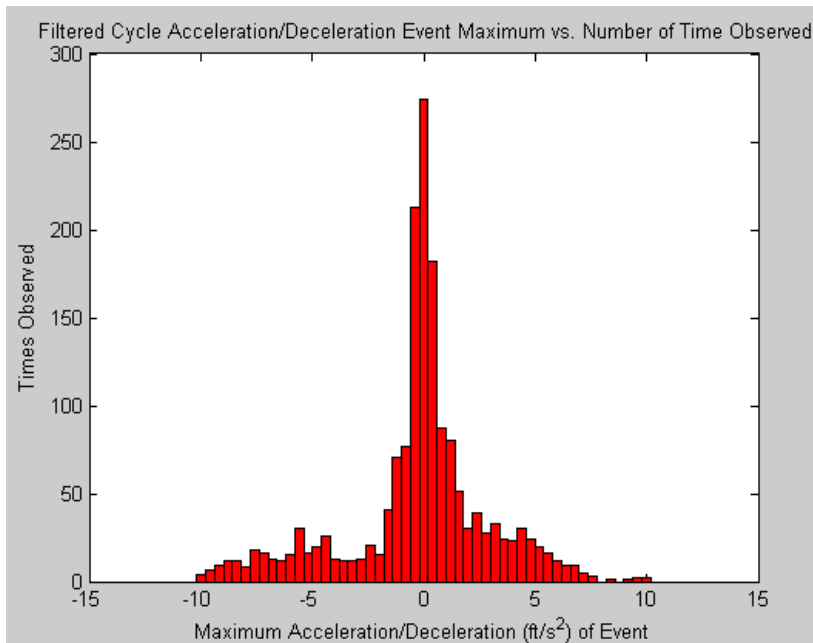
Example: One fleet might have a large variation in drive characteristics and it might not make sense to place vehicles on certain routes.



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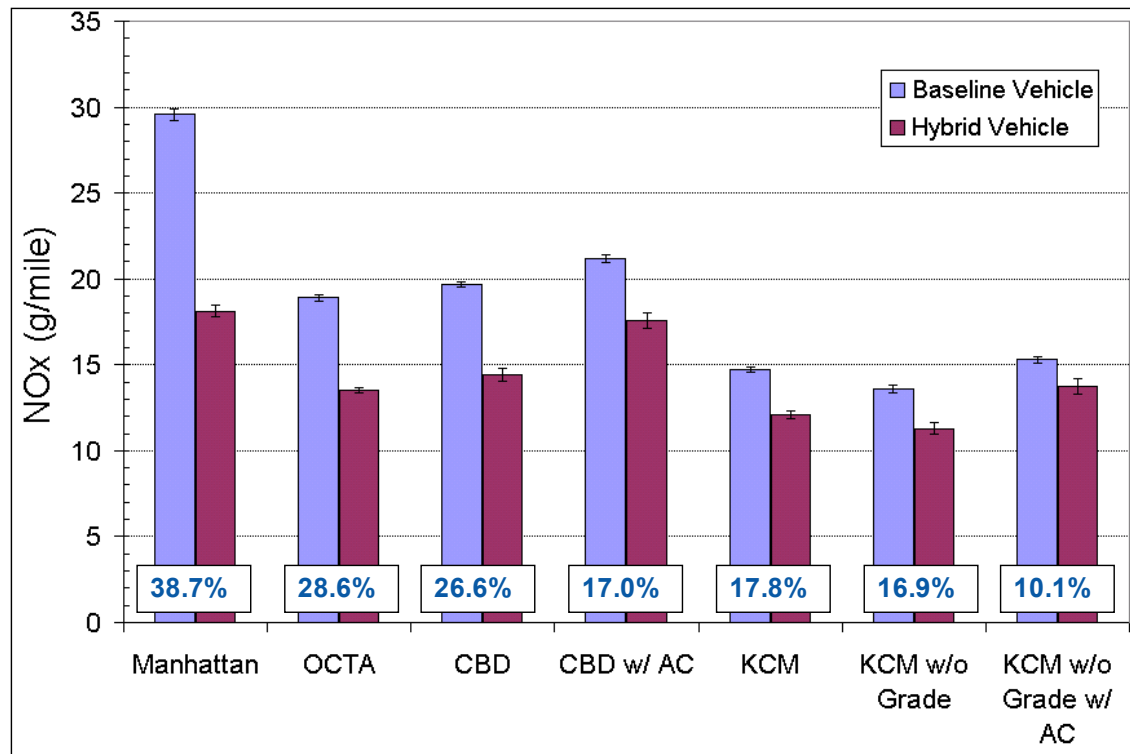


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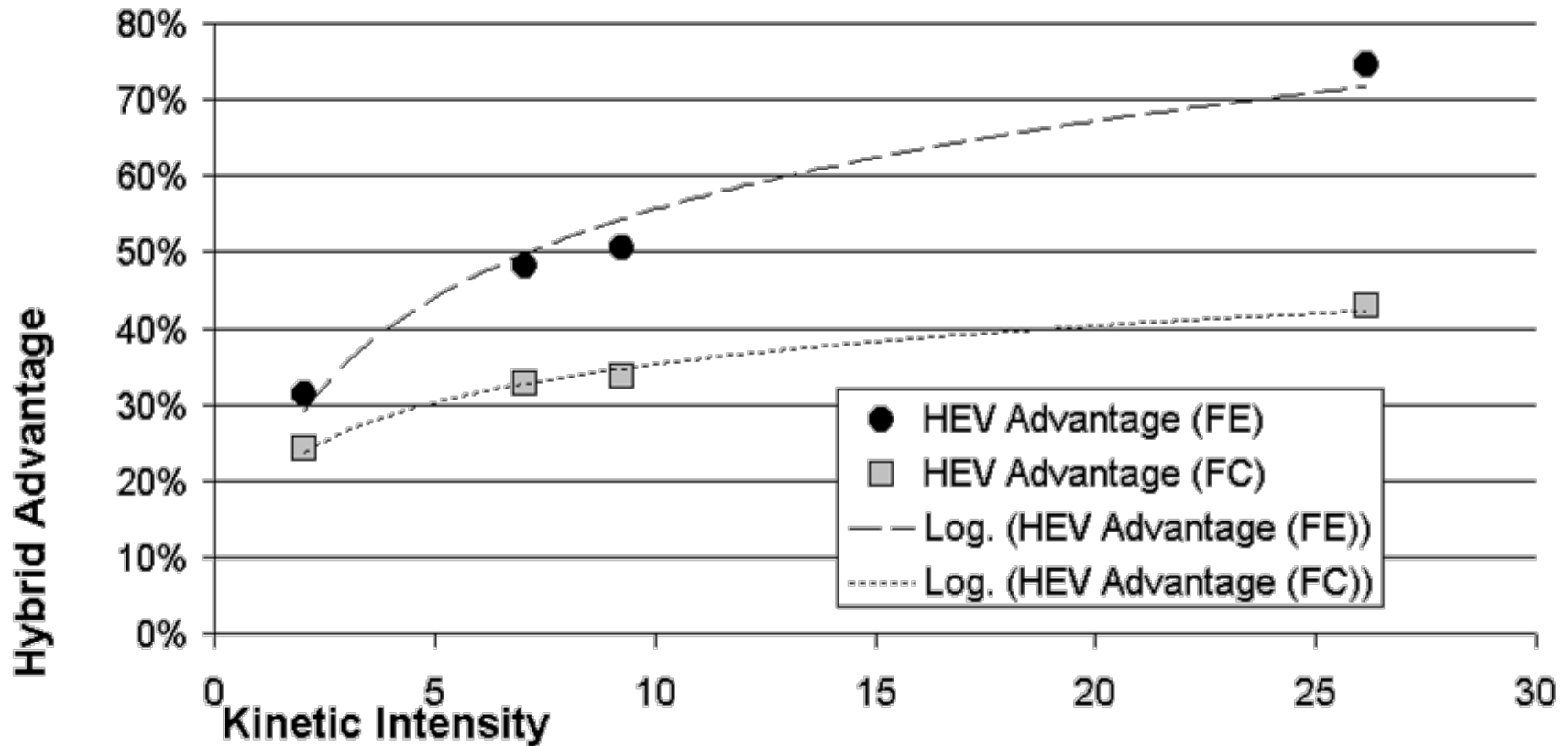
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Example: If you justify based on emissions, consider cost per ton of NOx Reduction:



What else can you do with DC info?

If you know a few measured data points, you can now predict % improvement for other routes/duty cycles fall based on a few key metrics: Be Smart With Your Testing



- Kinetic Intensity is an attempt to provide a measure of acceleration in cycle

Doesn't the industry study this already?

Some do - traditional attempts to determine appropriate duty cycle have included:

- 1) Using previously published data for a vocation (MAN, CILCC, OCTA, etc)
 - Not always accurate for specific location

- 2) Using limited or basic metrics like 'stops per mile' or 'average speed' based on overall fleet averages or 'desired' routes
 - Not specific to tell you enough

- 3) Measuring actual vehicles and large numbers of vehicles
 - Takes a long time to design and complete this process without a process or tool

There could be an easier way....

NREL and others have developed 'tools' for industry to utilize:

WVU: A tool that builds new driving cycles from standard cycles – Emissions Focus

Oak Ridge National Lab: A tool that can generate duty cycles based on data collected by ORNL.

NREL's Drive Cycle Tool: Created mainly for fuel economy analysis, it provides a simple, accessible method to help industry users easily capture *their* data, analyze it, create and compare it to fully understand what is happening in their own fleet:

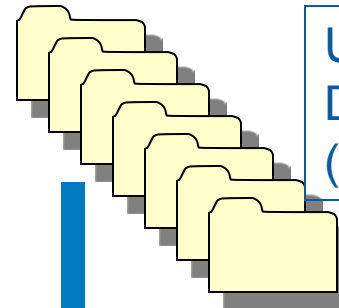
Tell Me What I Have in My Fleet!

1. Method to help users generate and better understand *their* specific drive cycle (fleet wide, region or depot/local level)
2. Generate custom test cycles (~30 mins) from *their* large set of on-road experimental data.
3. Compare *their own* user supplied data to known and common industry test cycles – answers the question: what cycle should I use to evaluate this technology?

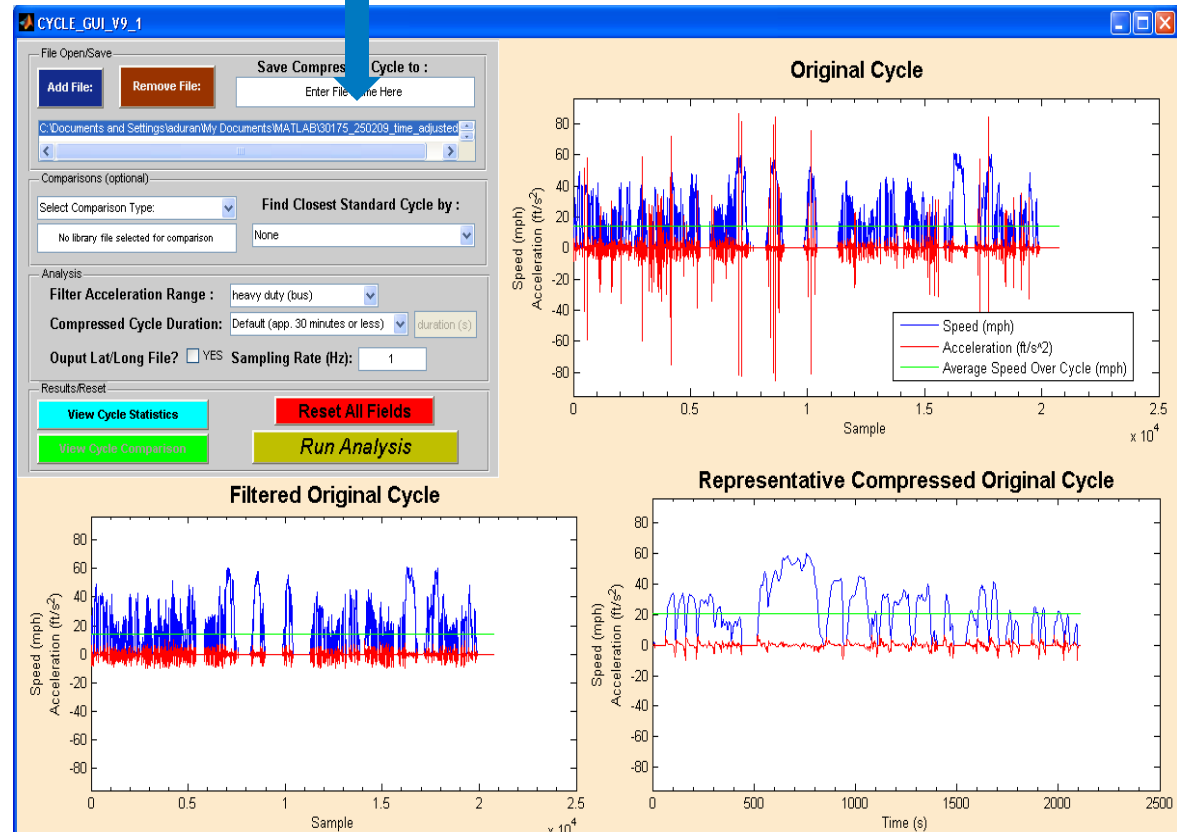
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1. It Provides for User Directed Analysis of User Supplied Data

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User Data: Multiple Days of Route Data (split or combined)



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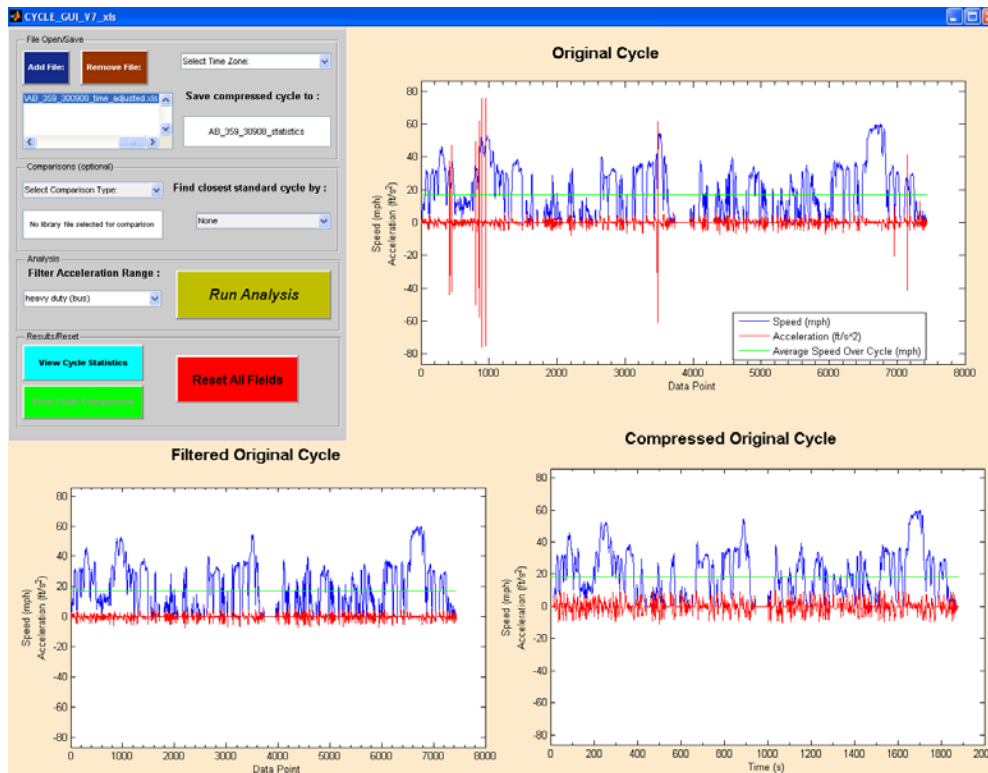
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1 Cycle Statistics				
2 Cycle Duration (s)	14563	14563	1020	N/A
3 Distance Traveled (miles)	83.40688889	84.18222063	12.74727867	N/A
4 Average Speed Over Cycle (mph)	20.63250189	20.82426698	25.21439737	N/A
5 Average Driving Speed (mph)	21.87881084	22.24427436	25.39579591	N/A
6 Maximum Speed (mph)	62.5	62.5	62	N/A
7 Time at Idle (s)	629	529	13	N/A
8 Idle Time (%)	5.696419952	6.36563526	0.714285714	N/A
9 0-5 mph time (%)	11.73641174	11.04926919	2.307692308	N/A
10 5-10 mph time (%)	12.30674090	11.63948327	6.769230769	N/A
11 10-15 mph time (%)	19.31186216	19.63169106	12.36363636	N/A
12 15-20 mph time (%)	13.18628461	13.72912801	18.13186913	N/A
13 20-25 mph time (%)	10.62323919	10.80109652	17.58241750	N/A
14 25-30 mph time (%)	7.886279524	7.982150769	12.47262747	N/A
15 30-35 mph time (%)	6.809592524	6.823395395	10.16483516	N/A
16 35-40 mph time (%)	7.105064240	7.105064240	9.450549451	N/A
17 40-45 mph time (%)	6.057376496	6.064247921	6.549493649	N/A
18 45-50 mph time (%)	1.456744314	1.456744314	1.593406593	N/A
19 50-55 mph time (%)	1.070815365	1.070815365	0.969010969	N/A
20 55-60 mph time (%)	2.721098436	2.769188483	2.913067912	N/A
21 60-65 mph time (%)	0.721500722	0.748988463	0.714285714	N/A
22 65-70 mph time (%)	0	0	0	N/A
23 70+ mph time (%)	0	0	0	N/A
24 Total Percentage	100	100	100	N/A
25 Maximum Acceleration (ft/s ²)	91.3733641	9.0266609	10.4622246	N/A
26 Maximum Deceleration (ft/s ²)	90.7966873	-9.8266689	-10.95658916	N/A
27 Acceleration (% of total cycle)	47.77709063	48.11379097	50.43956044	N/A
28 Deceleration (% of total cycle)	42.50668966	41.09118395	48.24178824	N/A
29 Average Acceleration (ft/s ²)	1.865491579	1.537310832	3.618025421	N/A
30 Average Deceleration (ft/s ²)	-2.090360059	-1.80166061	-3.793080796	N/A
31 # of acceleration events	1284	1213	283	N/A
32 # of acceleration events per mile	15.39441187	14.40921839	22.98529609	N/A
33 # of deceleration events	1279	1107	293	N/A
34 # of deceleration events per mile	15.33446478	14.10036467	22.98659809	N/A
35 # of stops	131	63	3	N/A
36 Average Stop Duration (s)	6.320244275	14.74603175	4.333333333	N/A
37 # of stops per mile	1.670613672	0.748976653	0.236344349	N/A
38 max acceleration duration (s)	41	49	11	N/A
39 max acceleration duration (% of total cycle)	0.589673522	0.571265353	1.190257081	N/A
40 max deceleration duration (s)	36	36	13	N/A
41 max deceleration duration (% of total cycle)	0.503379836	0.499857184	1.416122004	N/A
42 max stop duration (s)	69	63	11	N/A
43 max stop duration (% of total cycle)	0.405414891	0.570329142	0.604389604	N/A
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Quickly processes and analyzes data in a consistent manner

Specifics – What Does the NREL Tool Do?

2. Cycle Generation – matches fuel economy

- Crunch any amount of user supplied data and output a user cycle (speed vs. time) for dynamometer testing or modeling based on raw data inputted
- Goal = creates a short, statistically representative cycle (within 5% accuracy statistically and fuel economy) for dyno testing or modeling
- We've validated to show same mpg for short or long cycle within 5%



Original Data (~8000 seconds)



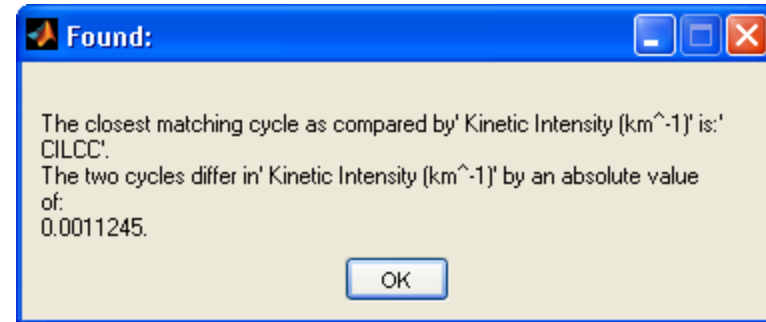
Filtered and Shortened Data (~1800 seconds)



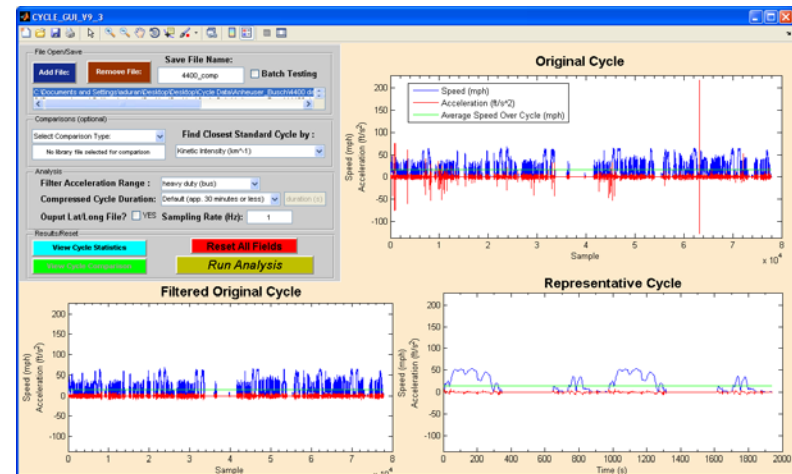
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3. Compare and Select Best Available Industry Cycle

- Matched based on user selected statistics (mph, stops per mile, kinetic intensity, etc). This will tell the user the best cycle to quantify MPG. Original data vs 'best selected' data showed modeled mpg results within 3%

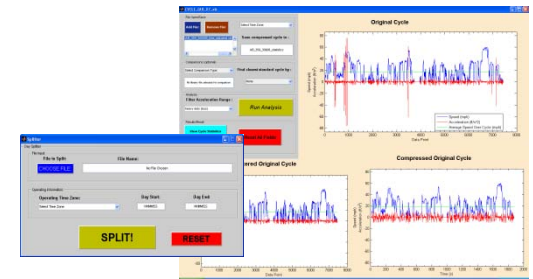
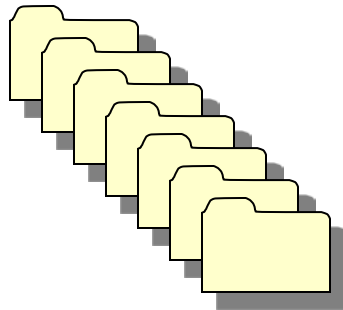


Multiple metric selection criteria for 'best match'



Original data to compressed

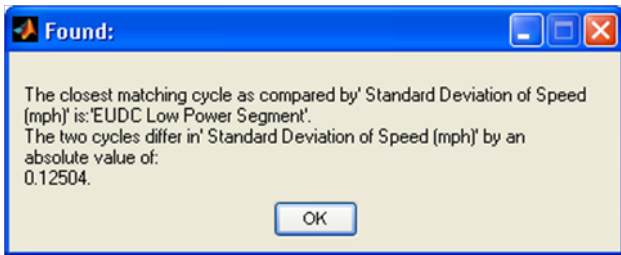
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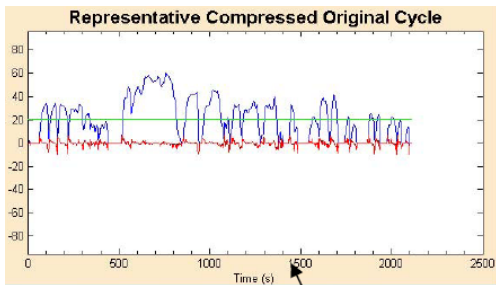
Simple GPS loggers to acquire data

set of daily GPS route data

Tool filters and sorts data in desired set



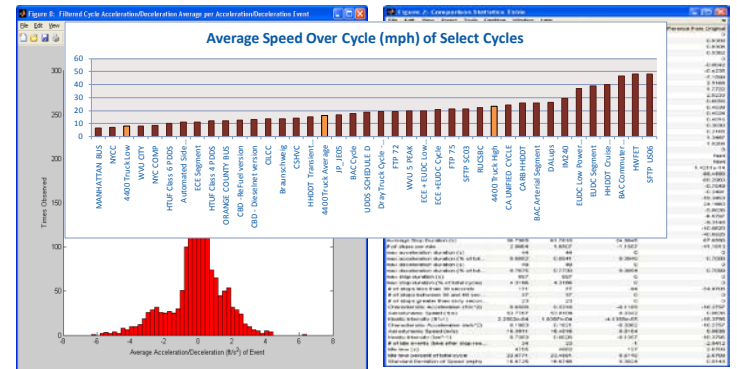
Closest 'Standard' Cycle Match



User Specific Test Cycle Generated



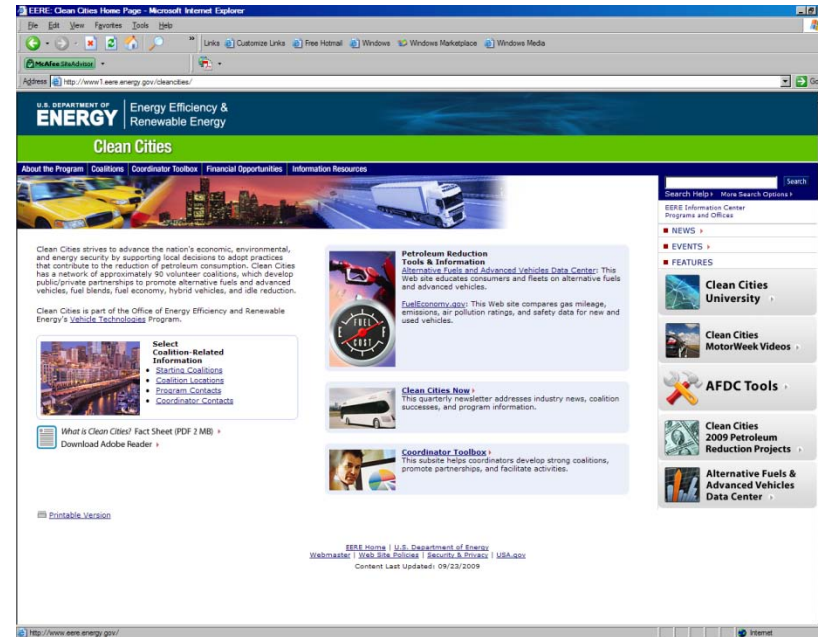
cycles with similar mpg



Full understanding of supplied data: daily variation info, stats for original, filtered and shortened data

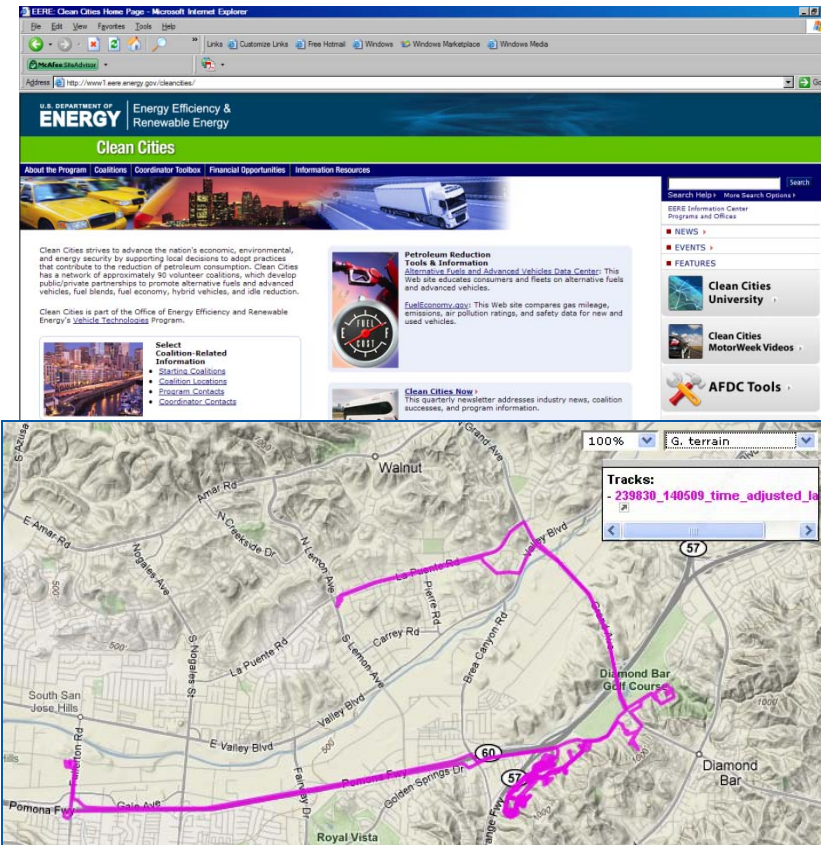
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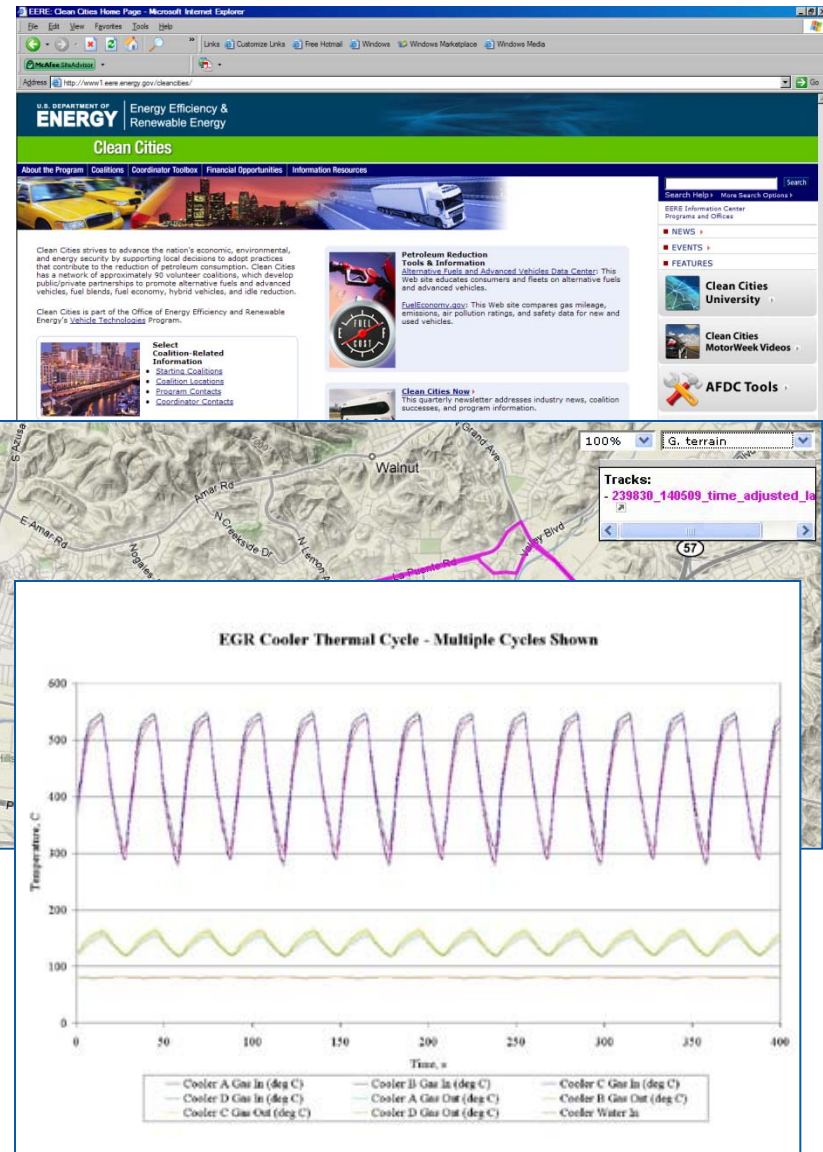
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Thank You!

Take Aways:

1. **Duty Cycle Matters** – has a large effect on fuel economy
2. **Easy to Use, Fleet Focused Tool Now Available For Use to More Fully Understand This**

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Additional Information

WVU Tool Info: An interactive design tool has been developed in Matlab that allows building new driving cycles through the concatenation of individual microtrips obtained by segmentation of second by second measurements from standard cycles. The generated new cycles have prescribed characteristics in terms of relevant parameters such as average speed, stops per mile, percentage idle, speed standard deviation, and kinetic intensity. The selection of microtrips to achieve the desired cycle characteristics is performed using a customized genetic algorithm. The generated cycles are used to increase the available database for regression-based modeling of fuel efficiency and emissions of CO₂, CO, NO_x, HC, and PM. The validation of the approach is currently in process at WVU.

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ORNL Tool Info: “The Oak Ridge National Laboratory has developed a Duty Cycle Generation Tool (DCGenT) that can generate duty cycles of user specified duration and user specified characteristics (e.g., metro/urban/rural, good/poor weather conditions, road grade, etc.) based on data collected from real-world driving environments. The data base for Class-8 long-haul operations contains more than 750,000 miles of driving data. Contact Bill Knee 865.946.1300, kneehe@ornl.gov for additional information, and download the Class-8 Final Report that discusses the data collection effort, the collected data and the duty cycle generation tool from: http://cta.ornl.gov/cta/Publications/Reports/ORNL_TM_2008-122.pdf. ORNL is currently engaged in collecting medium truck performance data on two-of four vocations in the Class-6/-7 domain.”

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