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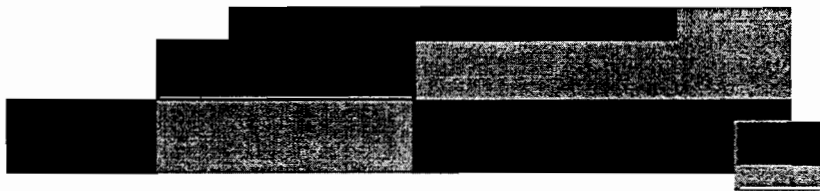
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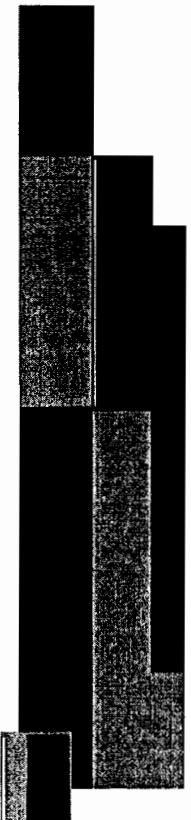
TCM Evaluation for Ozone Non-attainment Areas

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Broad Objectives

- Develop framework for analyzing TCM strategies
 - Refine travel demand models
 - Develop supplementary models for emissions modeling
 - Integrate all models within GIS architecture
- Validate Framework

Tasks completed at time of last meeting

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- Reviewed Current NCTCOG Procedures
 - Travel Demand Modeling
 - Mobile Source Emissions Modeling
 - Acquired Data
 - 1996 Activity Survey Data (NCTCOG)
 - 1996 Household Vehicle Survey Data (NCTCOG)
 - Vehicle registration data for Dallas, Tarrant, Collin, Denton and Rockwell counties (D-12 division of TxDoT)
 - Cleaned and analyzed data

Tasks pursued since last meeting

- Developed improved models for Travel Demand Modeling
- Refined and developed improved models for Emissions Forecasting

- contd

Tasks pursued since last meeting - contd

- Collected Data

- Annual 24-hour vehicle counts in D-FW from 1977-1993 (TxDOT Div 10, TxDOT RPO)
- 1996 GIS road network coverage for D-FW (NCTCOG)
- 1996 GIS zonal coverage for D-FW (NCTCOG)
- 1996 GIS socioeconomic data for D-FW (NCTCOG)
- 1996 zonal land use data (NCTCOG)

- Prepared reports on

- NCTCOG's Travel Demand Modeling procedure
- NCTCOG's Emissions Modeling procedure

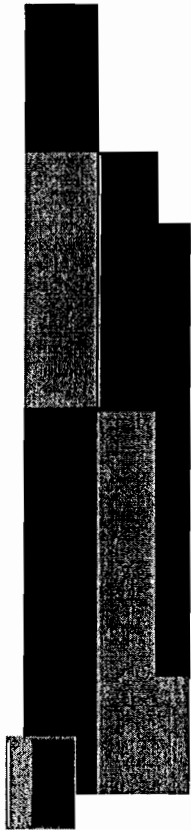
Overview of rest of presentation

Part I : Travel Demand modeling

- New models developed
- Future Extensions

Part II : Emissions Forecasting

- New models developed
- Future Extensions



Part I. Travel Demand Modeling

Tasks Undertaken On Travel Demand Modeling

- Trip Generation
 - Focused only on trip productions.
 - Prepared and assembled data for estimation.
 - Estimated cross-classification and ordered response models.

Tasks Undertaken On Travel Demand Modeling

- Trip Distribution
 - Determines fraction of productions at each zone attracted to each attraction zone.
 - Prepared and assembled data for estimation.
 - Initiated development of computer code for Trip Distribution Model estimation.

Trip Production Modeling

- Estimated new model with 1996 activity survey data
- Used three trip purposes: home-based work trips, home-based non-work trips and non-home-based trips
- Developed models for disaggregate trip purposes

Trip Production Modeling

- Developed and compared Cross Classification Model and Ordered Response Probit Model.
- Used four income quartile and six household size categories as in current NCTCOG model.
- Income quartiles based on 1996 U.S. census data.
- Will present home-based non-work trip estimation results.

Sample for Analysis

- 4641 households in “raw” activity survey file.
- 3561 households remain after data cleaning and screening.
- 186 households (5.2%) did not make any trip during the survey day.

Data Description

0	1150	32.29%
1	548	15.39%
2	1138	31.96%
3	234	6.57%
4	356	10.00%
>=5	135	3.79%

Data Description

0	675	18.96%
1	325	9.13%
2	725	20.36%
3	227	6.37%
4	438	12.30%
5	141	3.96%
6	257	7.22%
7	123	3.45%
8	180	5.05%
9	74	2.08%
10	102	2.86%
>=11	294	8.26%

Data Description

0	1192	33.47%
1	441	12.38%
2	470	13.20%
3	316	8.87%
4	311	8.73%
5	189	5.31%
6	185	5.20%
7	121	3.40%
8	80	2.25%
9	70	1.97%
>=10	186	5.22%

Ordered Response Model: Theory

- The number of trips made by each household is discrete.
- The trip-making behavior has definite order. The second trip has to be made after the first trip.
- Continuous exogenous variables can be accommodated.

Modeling Results (for HBNW Trips)

Cross-classification Model:

	HH1	HH2	HH3	HH4	HH5	HH>=6
LOW	1.589	3.109	5.024	6.839	8.641	6.300
LOW-MEDIAN	1.615	3.318	5.705	6.710	8.793	10.737
HI-MEDIAN	1.486	3.253	4.762	7.000	10.672	13.964
HIGH	2.217	3.101	4.884	7.498	9.646	11.000

$R^2 = 0.331$

Probabilistic Prediction Results from ORP:

	HH1	HH2	HH3	HH4	HH5	HH>=6
LOW	1.816	3.155	4.921	6.504	8.324	5.876
LOW-MEDIAN	1.828	3.345	5.721	6.596	7.863	9.679
HI-MEDIAN	1.679	3.283	4.686	6.883	10.167	11.942
HIGH	2.348	3.133	4.814	7.193	8.814	9.657

Modeling Results (for HBNW Trips)

Ordered Response Probit Model Results:

- Households with more individuals tend to make more trips.
- Higher income households do not necessarily make more trips compared to lower income households.

Other Important Variables Affecting Trip Production

- Age structure
- Race
- Education Level
- Employment status
- Student
- License

Models On Disaggregate Trip Purposes

- Re-defined six trip purposes:
 - community
 - grocery shopping
 - other shopping
 - personal business
 - recreational
 - social.
- Will provide recommendations regarding trip purpose categories for use in Trip Generation.

Dissaggregate Trip Attraction-end Model

- Replaces the aggregate trip attraction and distribution models currently in use.
- Randomly selected six candidate attraction zones along with the actual chosen attraction zone for model estimation.
- Development of computer code is progressing.

Formulation of Ordered Response Probit Model

The random index function is:

$$I_n = \beta \mathbf{X}_n + \varepsilon_n$$

where I_n represents the degree of preference of one option over another for household n . ε_n is an error term distributed Normal with mean of zero and variance of one.

Formulation of Ordered Response Probit Model (Cont.)

A set of threshold value μ_i is also estimated:

$$\text{if } I_n < \mu_0, T_n = 0$$

$$\text{if } \mu_{i-1} < I_n < \mu_i, T_n = i \quad (\text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, M-1)$$

$$\text{if } I_n > \mu_{M-1}, T_n = M$$

where T_n is predicted trips made by household n , M is the maximum trip rate in the choice set.

Deterministic and Probabilistic Prediction Methods

- Two methods to predict the trips made by households are used and compared.
- The deterministic method is formulated as followings:

$$\text{if } \beta\mathbf{X}_n < \mu_0, T_n = 0$$

$$\text{if } \mu_{i-1} < \beta\mathbf{X}_n < \mu_i, T_n = i \quad (\text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, M-1)$$

$$\text{if } \beta\mathbf{X}_n > \mu_{M-1}, T_n = M.$$

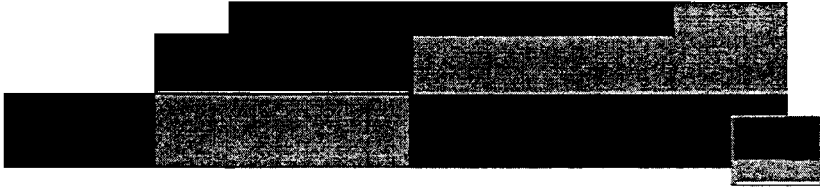
Deterministic and Probabilistic Prediction Methods (Cont.)

- The probability for household n making i trips is:

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr_{ni} &= \Pr(T_n = i) = \Pr(\mu_{i-1} < \beta \mathbf{X}_n + \varepsilon_n < \mu_i) \\ &= \Pr(\mu_{i-1} - \beta \mathbf{X}_n < \varepsilon_n < \mu_i - \beta \mathbf{X}_n) \\ &= \Phi(\mu_i - \beta \mathbf{X}_n) - \Phi(\mu_{i-1} - \beta \mathbf{X}_n)\end{aligned}$$

The expected trip rate combines all the choice (trip rate) possibilities which could be made by household n . It is formulated as:

$$T_n = \sum_{i=0}^M i * \Pr_{ni}$$



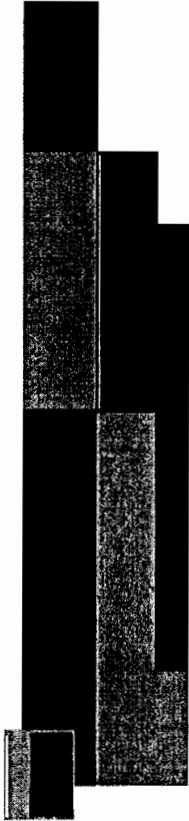
Part II

Emissions Modeling

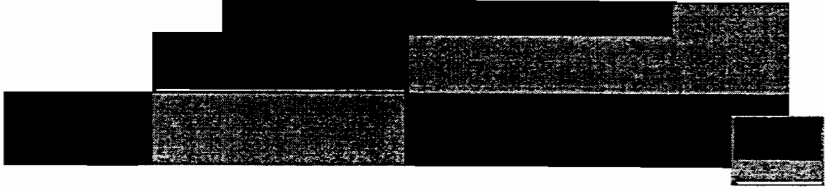
Introduction

- 50% of ozone precursor emissions and about 90% of CO emissions originate from mobile source emissions
- Accurate and reliable emissions forecasting needed to
 - Demonstrate regional adherence to NAAQS
 - Conform to emissions budgets established in the State Implementation Plans (SIPs)
- More improvements need to be made to the emissions modeling process

Current Areas of Focus



- VMT Mix Ratio
- Intra-Zonal Trip Length
- Operating Mode Fractions
 - Hot stabilized vs Cold transient modes
 - Hot starts vs Cold starts



VMT Mix Ratio

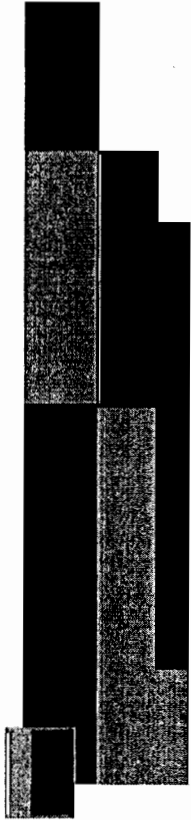
Background

- VMT = Vehicle Miles Traveled
- VMT Mix = Fraction of V.M.T accrued by a particular vehicle type
- EPA Vehicle types based on weight/fuel type - other classification schemes exist
- Emission Factor models take VMT mix as input

State of the Practice

- Accept aggregate Mobile5 national default values
 - VMT mix sensitive to regional variations
- Use 24-hour vehicle classification counts
 - Aggregate level values applied to lower-level road types
 - Variations exists even after controlling for roadway class

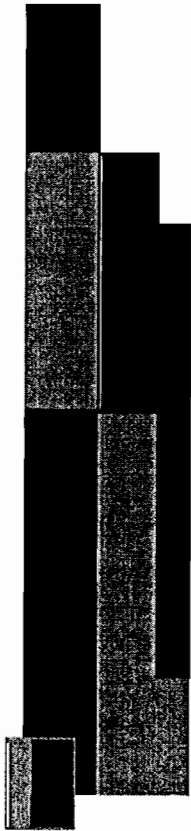
Proposed Methodology



- Model VMT Mix as a function of several link and zonal characteristics
- Use a Fractional Split model

Data Sources

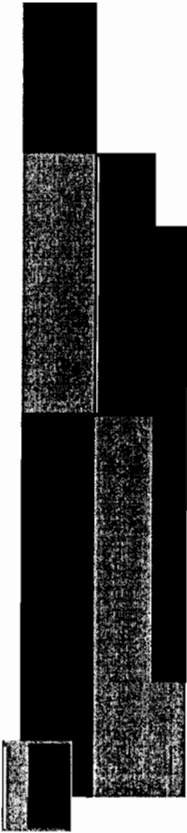
- 24-hour Local Vehicle Classification counts by the TxDot R.P.O and the TxDot D-10 division, spanning 16 years (1979-1995)
- 1990 Dallas-Fortworth roadway and zonal G.I.S networks from NCTCOG
- 1990 Landuse disaggregation from NCTCOG
- 1990 Disaggregate Zonal level information from NCTCOG



Data Preparation

- Geocode vehicle count locations to the 1990 D-FW roadway and zonal G.I.S networks
 - Overlay road and zonal coverages within GIS environment
 - Query location in the road coverage to get link id using
 - a) the name of the street
 - b) names of the cross streets at the end nodes
 - Query location in zonal network coverage to get id of TSZ
- Map land-use characteristics and link characteristics using link and TSZ identifiers
- Convert data into "case-alt" format for estimation - fraction of VMT accumulated by each vehicle class is the dependant variable

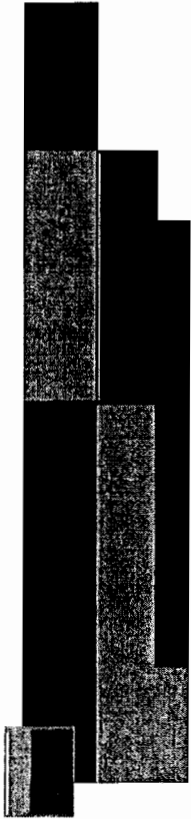
Data Characteristics



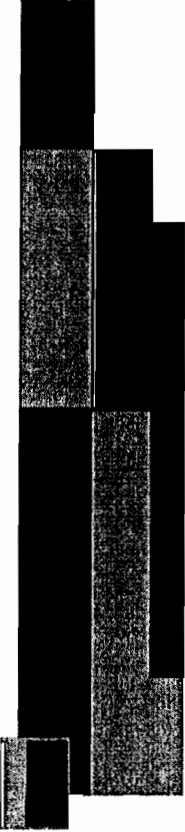
- Number of Observations = 243
- Six vehicle classifications
 - Passenger Cars
 - Pickups and Vans
 - Sports Utility Vehicles
 - Heavy Trucks (3-ax,4-ax & 6-ax Combos)
 - Buses-2 axles and 3 axles
 - Motorcycles

Exogenous Variables

- Link Functional Classification
 - Freeways
 - Major Arterials
 - Minor Arterials
 - Collectors/Local Residential streets
- Link Physical Attributes
 - Number of lanes
 - Is Road Divided?
- Link Free Speed
 - Low Speed (0-30 mph)
 - Medium Speed (31-40 mph)
 - High Speed (55- mph)



Exogenous Variables - contd

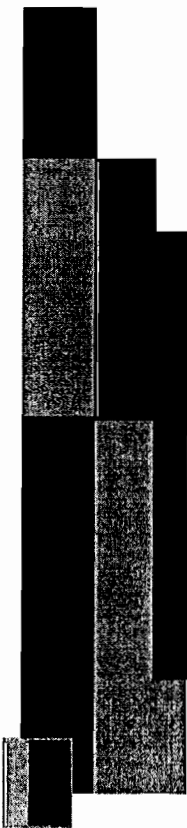
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- Degree of Urbanization in zone
 - Central Business District
 - Urban
 - Sub-Urban/Rural
 - Zonal Attributes
 - Total area in Retail, Office and Hotel/motel
 - Total area in Manufacturing Plants & Warehouses
 - Presence of Airport-related infrastructure
 - Presence of institutional facilities

Model Results



- **Link Functional Classification**
 - More PUVs and MC on arterials
 - PUVs and MC highest on collector/local streets
 - Buses low Collectors/Local Residential streets
- **Link Physical Attributes**
 - Number of lanes - decrease in bus and trucks
 - Divided roads - less buses and more trucks
- **Link Free Speed**
 - PUVs and SUVs more prevalent on higher speed links
 - Buses most prevalent on low-speed links

Model Results - contd



- Degree of Urbanization in zone
 - Lesser trucks in CBDs and Urban areas
- Zonal Attributes
 - More autos in zones with greater area in Retail, Office and Hotel/motel
 - More non-auto/non-motorcycle modes in zones having more manufacturing plants & warehouses
 - More PUVS in zones with airport-related infrastructure
 - More autos in zones with institutional facilities

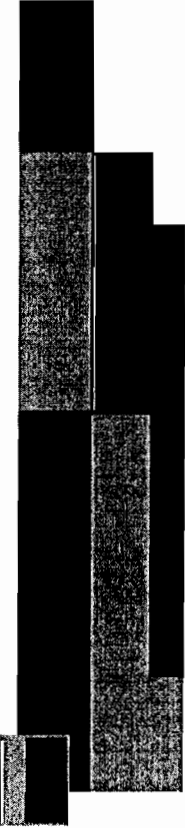
Conversion to EPA vehicle classes

- Use county specific Local Registration data
- Use TEDB default gasoline-diesel split
 - Passenger cars
 - Light Duty Trucks

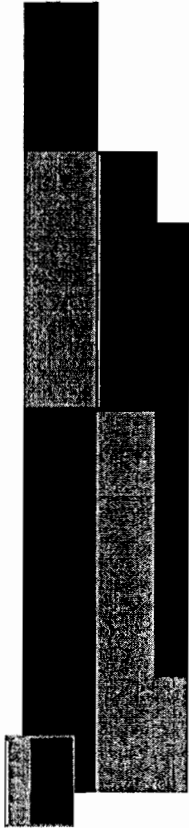
	LDGV	LDDV	LDGT1	LDGT2	LDDT	HDGV	HDDV	MC
Autos	98.8	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
PUVs	-	-	95.16	2.72	2.12	-	-	-
SUVs	-	-	95.16	2.72	2.12	-	-	-
Trucks	-	-	-	-	-	35.43	64.57	-
Buses	-	-	-	-	-	20.90	79.91	-
MCs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100

TXDot to EPA vehicle conversion factors for Dallas County

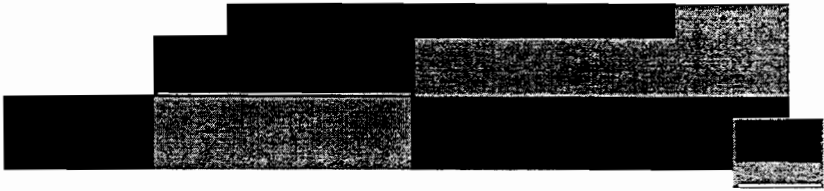
Future Extensions

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- Integrate model within TransCAD
 - Extend model to account for seasonal and temporal variation in VMT mix - data constraints

Areas of focus



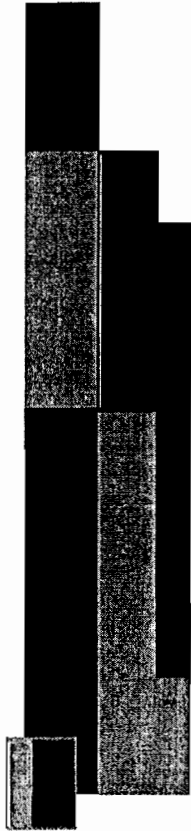
- VMT Mix Ratio
- **Intra-Zonal Trip Length**
- Operating Mode Fractions
 - Hot stabilized vs Cold transient modes
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Intra-zonal Trip length

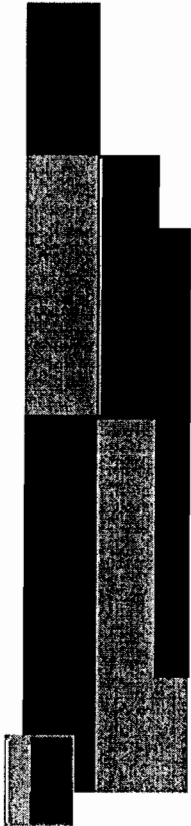
Background

- VMT Estimation on Local roads
 - Local roads not included in road network
 - Use parameter representing average intra-zonal trip length
- Present practice
 - Estimate Intra-zonal Trip length Parameter as a function of area of zone



Proposed Approach

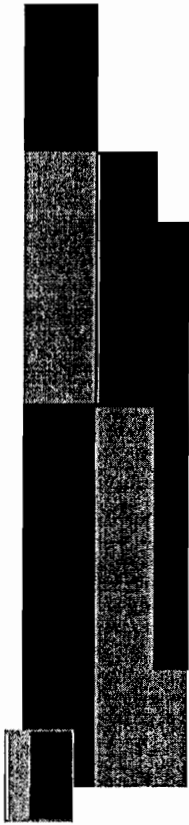
- Use a log-linear regression model
 - Assume speed of 20 m.p.h on local roads and model duration of intra-zonal trips
- Estimate Intra-zonal trip duration parameter as a function of various zonal characteristics



Data sources and Preparation

- Use 1996 Activity Survey data for Intra-zonal trips
 - TAP level aggregation
- Extract details of *intra-zonal vehicle* trips from activity file
 - trips using a vehicle made by two or more persons, counted as separate *person* trips
 - eliminate repeated trips

Exogenous Variables



- Trip Purpose
 - home based (base)
 - non-home based
 - work (base)
 - shopping
 - personal-business
 - social-recreational
 - school trips
- Zonal Characteristics

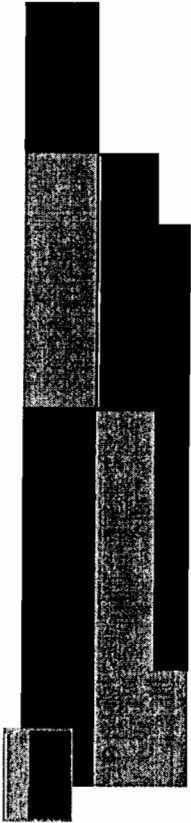
Model Application

Given zonal characteristics, the Intra-zonal trip length parameter is given by:

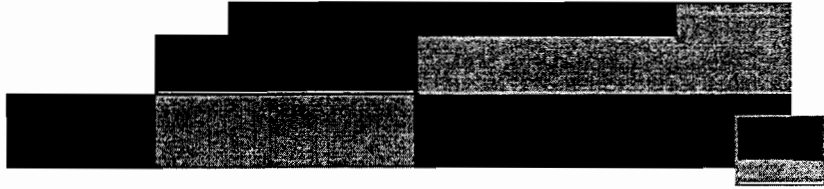
20 * Intra-zonal trip duration

Local VMT = Vehicle trips (from trip generation)
* Intra-zonal trip length

Areas of focus



- VMT Mix Ratio
- Intra-Zonal Trip Length
- **Operating Mode Fractions**
 - Hot stabilized vs Cold transient modes
 - Hot starts vs Cold starts



Operating Mode Fractions

Part A: Hot stabilized vs Cold transient trips for local roads

Background

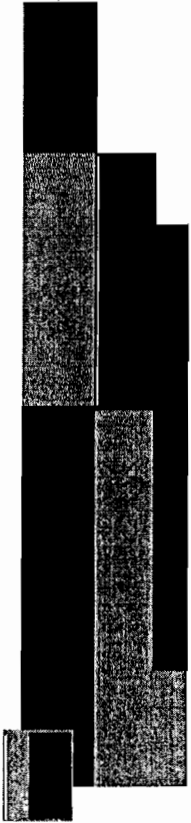
- Cold Transient Operating Mode: first 505 s of operation of vehicle
- Hot Stabilized mode: remainder of use of vehicle
- Emissions factor models take operating mode fractions as an input to estimate pollutant-specific emission factors

State of Present practice

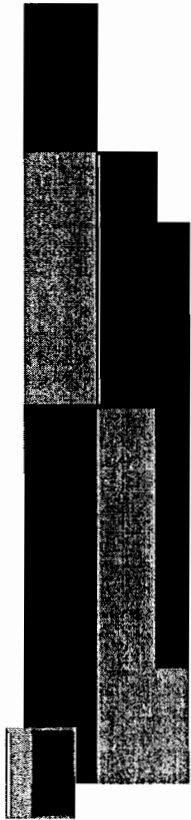
- Ellis's (1976) methodology used
 - local roads not included in (DFWRTM) network
 - apply same fractions as developed for higher level road types
- No documented method exists to obtain operating modes for local roads

Proposed methodology and application

- Estimate trip duration distribution from log-regression model for intra-zonal trip duration
- Obtain the share of cold-transient trips as the proportion of trips of duration less than 505 seconds



Part B: Hot vs Cold starts for local roads



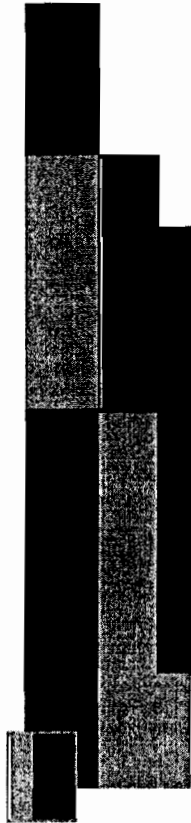
Background

- Hot start: start of a vehicle within 1 hour of last-use
- Cold start: start of a vehicle after more than 1 hour of last-use
- Cold starts emit more NO_x => important for Ozone non-attainment areas
- Most cold starts take place on local roads (first-starts in residential areas)
- The proportion of hot and cold starts is an input for calculating emission factors

Proposed Methodology

- Model whether a trip is a first start or not, as a function of trip purpose, zonal characteristics
- Assume that all first starts are cold-starts
- For all non-first starts, use a linear regression model of the logarithm of soak-time on zonal characteristics and trip purpose
 - Determine share of hot vs cold starts within set of trips with non-first starts

Data preparation and Model application



- Calculate soak-time for each household vehicle from details of intra-zonal *vehicle* trips in the 1996 activity survey
- Given zonal characteristics, estimate proportion of cold starts within the zone, as

Fraction of first-starts + Fraction of non-first starts that are cold starts

Next Tasks

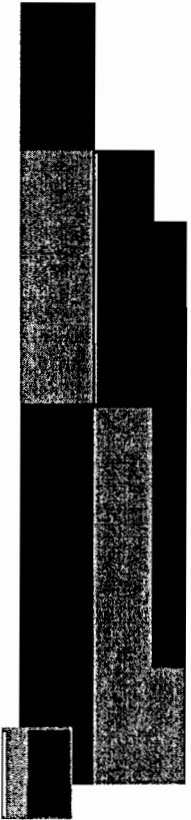
- **Travel Demand modeling side**

- Complete linking of network impedance files with other files for estimation of travel models
- Complete specification and interpretation of trip generation and trip distribution models
- Develop recommendations for trip purpose classification and explanatory variables for use in trip generation and trip distribution
- Initiate specification and estimation of travel mode choice and departure time models

- **Emissions Modeling side**

- Complete estimation of models of intra-zonal trip length and soak time duration for intra-zonal trips
- Integrate all GIS files and introduce all estimated models VMT mix model into TransCAD

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