# Heavy-duty brake wear emissions

an on-road measurement campaign using a novel fully open sampling system

Steinmetz, M.F.A. (Misja) | 28th ETH Nanoparticles Conference (Zürich) 19 June 2025

AT THE F













### Introduction



### Brake Wear Emissions project methodology

















### Heavy-duty full vehicle testing methodology

Development of full vehicle measurement methodology.

Important measurement parameters:

- Brake particle emissions (PN and PM)
- Brake temperature
- Braking torque
- Vehicle speed

Novel approach using open design brake wear emissions sampling.



### Heavy-duty full vehicle testing methodology

Version 1 (tractor)









### Heavy-duty full vehicle testing methodology

Version 2 (rigid truck)











### **Results of tractor trailer and rigid truck testing**





innovation

- Urban gives highest PN emissions per km and Motorway the lowest.
- Similar dominant temperatures, significantly higher peaks for the tractor.
- Higher pump speeds seem to collect more brake wear particles and more background particles.

### **Results of tractor trailer and rigid truck testing**





CEDES\_ACTROS



innovation

### **Results of tractor trailer and rigid truck testing**



- Urban gives highest P
- Similar dominant tem
- Higher pump speeds s



### **Results of tractor trailer and rigid truck testing**





• Congested motorway driving is important for motorway figures



### **On-road Temperatures** and Particles for **Heavy-Duty Brake** Wear

- Journal paper in MDPI's Atmosphere
- More detailed analysis and modelling of the heavy-duty on-road brake wear data collected in the PP012101 Pilot project
- Fully open sampling system to minimize impact on airflow and brake temperature
- Detailed models of on-road brake temperatures and brake wear emissions for a measured heavyduty tractor trailer
- Joint work with Jann Aschersleben and Aspasia Panagiotidou



### Article

**On-Road Measurements and Modelling of Disc Brake** Temperatures and Brake Wear Particle Number Emissions on a **Heavy-Duty Tractor Trailer** 

Misja Frederik Alban Steinmetz \*<sup>(9)</sup>, Jann Aschersleben <sup>(9)</sup> and Aspasia Panagiotidou



MDPI

### **Results: Variable Correlations**

- Selection cuts on braking force, temperature, and duration to filter data
- Clear correlation between total PN emissions and total work
  - Braking work:  $W = \int P(t)dt$
  - Braking power:  $P(t) = (F(t) \times r) \cdot \omega(t)$





### **Results: Variable Correlations**

- Selection cuts on braking force, temperature, and duration to filter data
- Clear correlation between total PN
  emissions and total work
  - Braking work:  $W = \int P(t) dt$
  - Braking power:  $P(t) = (F(t) \times r) \cdot \omega(t)$
- In our measurement setup: no correlation between total PN emissions and starting disk temperature





### **Results: Variable Correlations**

- Selection cuts on braking force, temperature, and duration to filter data
- Clear correlation between total PN emissions and total work
  - Braking work:  $W = \int P(t) dt$
  - Braking power:  $P(t) = (F(t) \times r) \cdot \omega(t)$
- In our measurement setup: no correlation between total PN emissions and starting disk temperature
- Correlation between PN emissions and PM emissions



### **Results: Disk Temperature Heating**

- Model A\*:
- $\Delta T(W) = a_1 W + a_2$
- Braking work:  $W = \int P(t)dt$
- Mean absolute error: 5.4 °C



\*Best fit parameters:  $a_1 = (5.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5} \text{ °CJ}^{-1}$ ,  $a_2 = (1.5 \pm 0.5) \text{ °C}$ 

19 June 2025 | Heavy-duty brake wear emissions

innovation 15

### **Results: Disk Temperature Heating**

- Model A:
  - $\Delta T(W) = a_1 W + a_2$
  - Braking work:  $W = \int P(t)dt$
  - Mean absolute error: 5.4 °C
- Model B\*:
  - $\Delta T (W, T_0) = a_1 T_0^{\alpha} W + a_2$
  - Starting temperature: T<sub>0</sub>
  - Mean absolute error: 4.2 °C

<sup>×</sup>Best fit parameters:  $a_1 = (9.4 \pm 1.7) \times 10^{-7} \text{ °CJ}^{-1}$ ,  $a_2 = (-0.2 \pm 0.3) \text{ °C}$ ,  $\alpha = (9.0 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-1}$ 





### **Results: Disk Temperature Cooling**

- Model C\*:
  - $\Delta T(Q) = b_1 Q + b_2$
- Cooling term:  $Q = \int (T(t) T_{amb}(t)) dt$
- Mean absolute error: 2.2 °C



\*Best fit parameters: 
$$b_1 = (-2.05 \pm 0.01) \times 10^{-3} \text{ °CJ}^{-1}$$
,  
 $b_2 = (-1.15 \pm 0.04) \text{ °C}$ 

### **Results: Disk Temperature Cooling**

- Model C:
  - $\Delta T(Q) = b_1 Q + b_2$
- Cooling term:  $Q = \int (T(t) T_{amb}(t)) dt$
- Mean absolute error: 2.2 °C
- Model D<sup>×</sup>:
  - $\Delta T(Q) = b_1 Q^\beta + b_2$
  - Mean absolute error: 2.0 °C

\*Best fit parameters:  $b_1 = (-2.05 \pm 0.01) \times 10^{-3} \text{ °CJ}^{-1}$ ,  $b_2 = (-1.15 \pm 0.04) \text{ °C}$ 





### **Results: PN Emissions**

- Model\*:
  - $\mathsf{PN}(W) = c_1 W + c_2$
  - Braking work:  $W = \int P(t) dt$
  - Mean absolute error:  $1.5 \times 10^9$ #



\*Best fit parameters: 
$$c_1 = (2.2 \pm 0.2) \times 10^4 \text{ #/J}$$
,  $c_2 = (-6.3 \pm 1.0) \times 10^8 \text{ #}$ 

### Conclusions

- □ Highest number of braking events and emissions per kilometre on urban roads, lowest on the motorway
- □ Congested motorway driving has a relatively high number of braking events and emissions per kilometre
- □ The higher the braking work applied on the disc, the higher the PN emissions
- □ Brake temperature increase depends on both the braking work and the initial temperature of the disc
- □ Non-linear behaviour in the cooling of the braking disc
- Successful proof of concept for on-road HD brake wear measurements



nnovatio