

# Assessment of Traffic Emission in Asian Cities and Co-Benefit of Faster Technology Intrusion



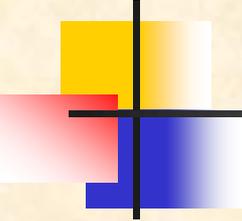
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# Presentation highlights

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- Mobile source emission in Asian cities
- Survey results of vehicle fleets in selected cities
- EI results and climate co-benefit assessment

# Air pollution in Asia

Beijing, Jan 2013



- Fast increase in emission sources: traffic, industry, open burning ...
- High pollution levels and air quality is worsening in urban areas
  - PM is most significant (primary & secondary PM)
  - Surface ozone air quality
  - Air toxics
- Impact on human health, crops/ecosystem → economical effect is serious but not well studied
- Other issues: Indoor air pollution, Trans-boundary (Acid rain, ABC, regional haze, dust storm, etc.)

# (1) Traffic emission in Asian Cities



- Vehicles and emission control:
  - Low technology levels: second-hand and long life
  - Large share of motorcycles
  - No enforcement of control devices for in-use vehicles
- Urban planning issue, slow increase of road network, fast increase in vehicle population → congestion
- Non-road emissions are important but normally overlooked
- Positive development: observed improvement in vehicle technologies & fuel quality, alternative fuels ...

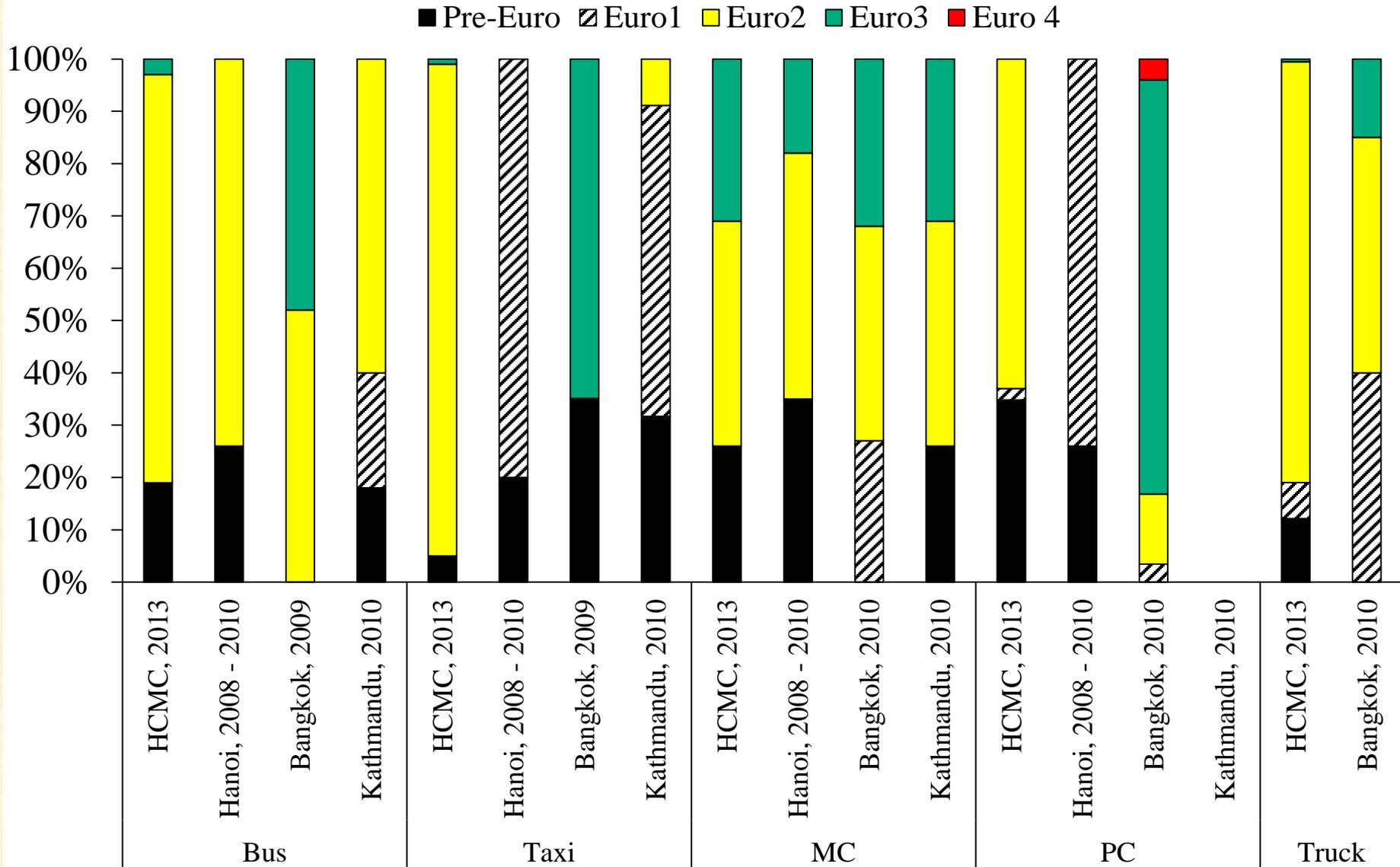
On-road vehicles contribute over 60-80% of total urban air pollution burden in developing countries



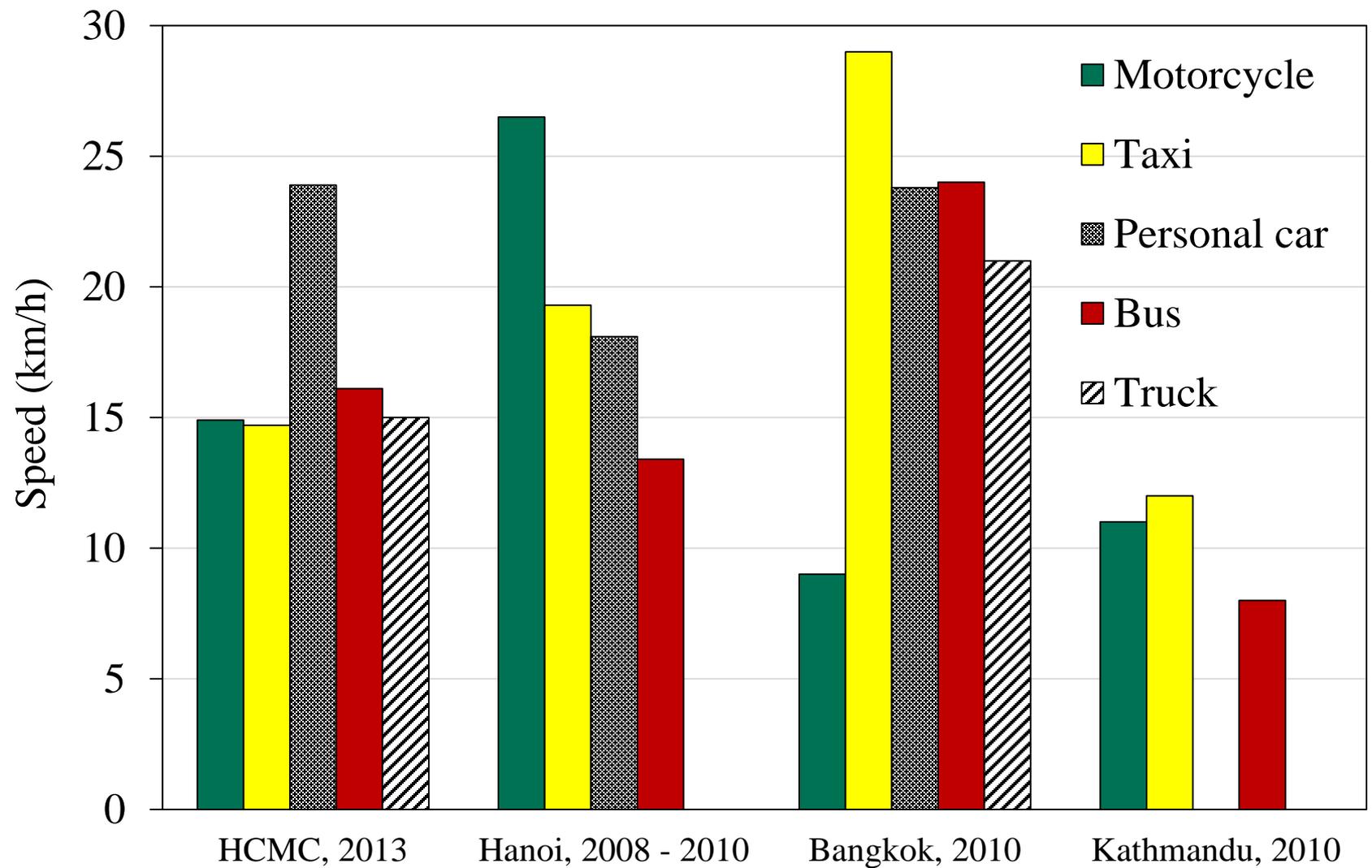
## (2) Fleet analysis: survey and results

- Four cities: Bangkok, Kathmandu, Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC)
- IVE survey methods:
  - Parking lot and gasoline stations survey for vehicle technologies, age, mileage, odometer, fuel types, etc. (500-1000 vehicles per city)
  - GPS surveys for driving activities: 6-10 vehicles per fleet type in a city
  - Traffic counting: video camera

# Vehicle Technology Distribution



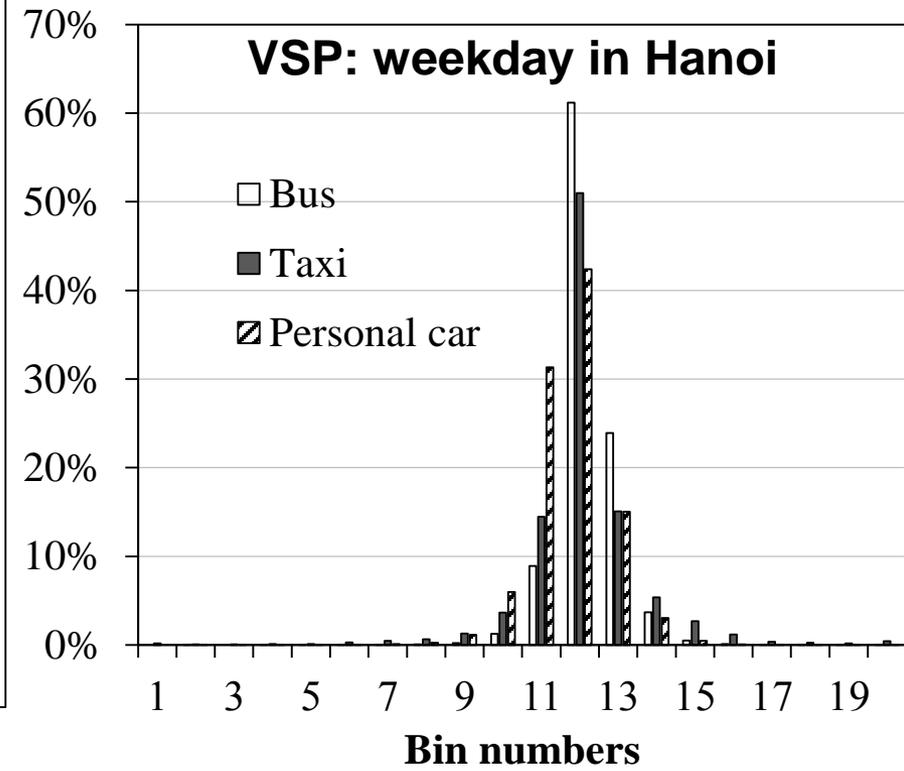
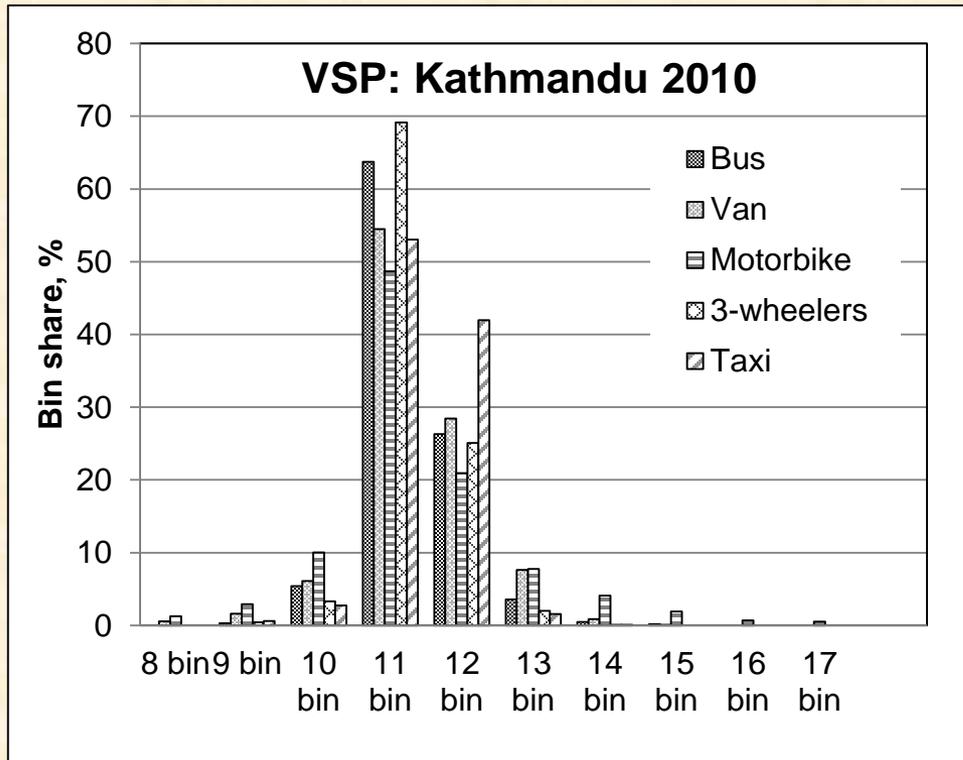
# Vehicle speeds



# Driving activities

<b>Motorcycles</b>				
	HCMC, 2013	Hanoi, 2008	Kathmandu, 2010	Bangkok, 2013
Active population	5,004,831	2,339,519	394,420	1,298,765
Average age	4.6 (1-29)	3.6 (1-10)	4.3 (1-27)	5.7 (1-20)
Daily VKT (km/veh)	19	20	15	16
<b>Taxi</b>				
Active population	17,802	12,189	6,206	83,742
Average age	6 (2-10)	2.11 (1-4)	9.5 (1-21)	3.6 (0-14)
Daily VKT (km/veh)	124	157	87	280
<b>Personal car</b>				
Active population	315,943	100,359		1,202,499
Average age	7.6 (0-16)	2.44 (1-8)	NA	5.3 (1-20)
Daily VKT (km/veh)	33.4	42	NA	70
<b>Bus</b>				
Active population	3,358	1,118	11,328	18,850
Average age	6.4 (1-11)	6.31 (2-10)	8.9 (1-47)	8.8 (1-30)
Daily VKT (km/veh)	197	212	96	137
<b>Truck</b>				
Active population	185,501			61,720
Average age	11.7 (1-27)	NA	NA	6.2 (1-17)
Daily VKT (km/veh)	31	NA	NA	112

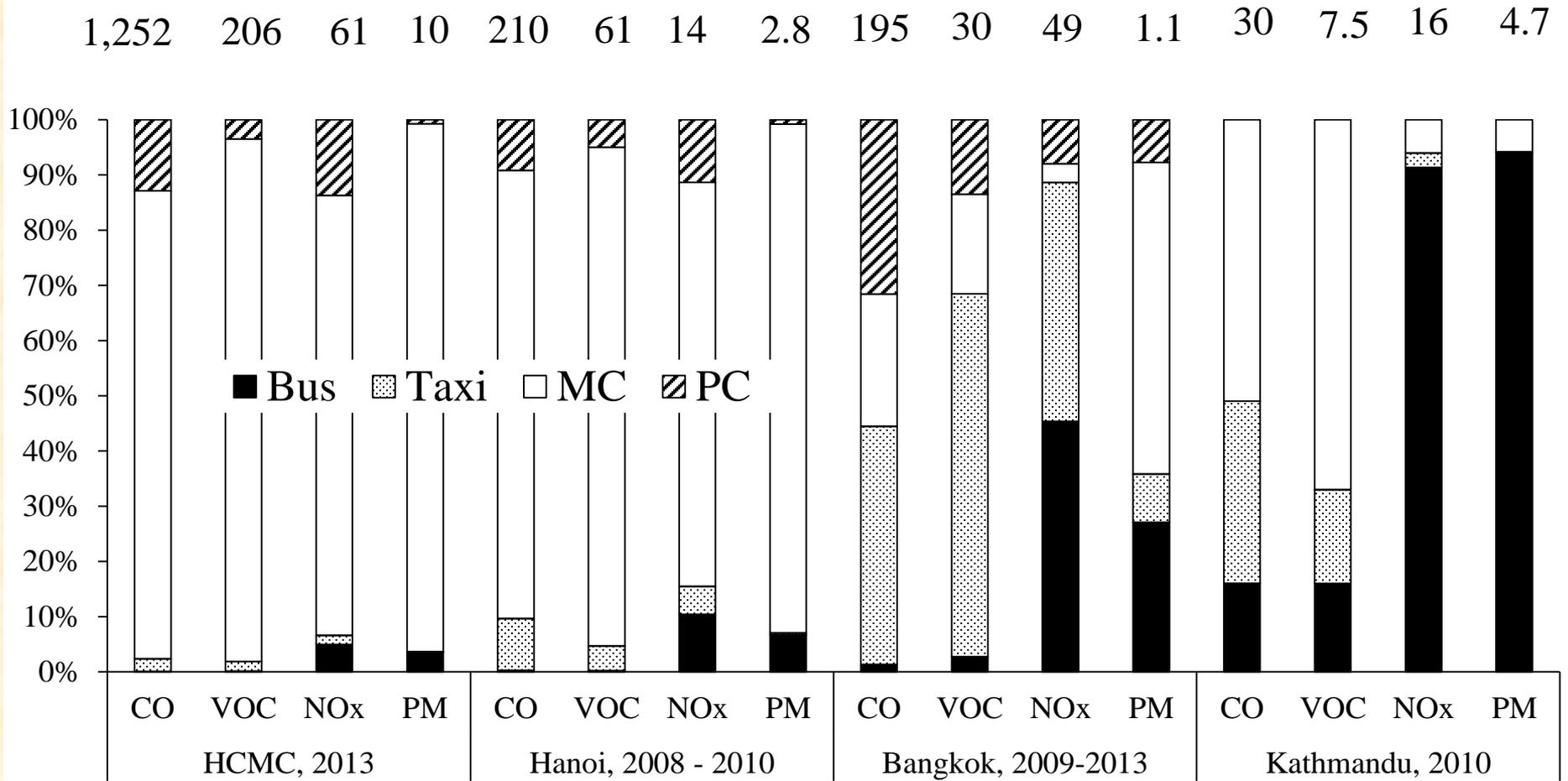
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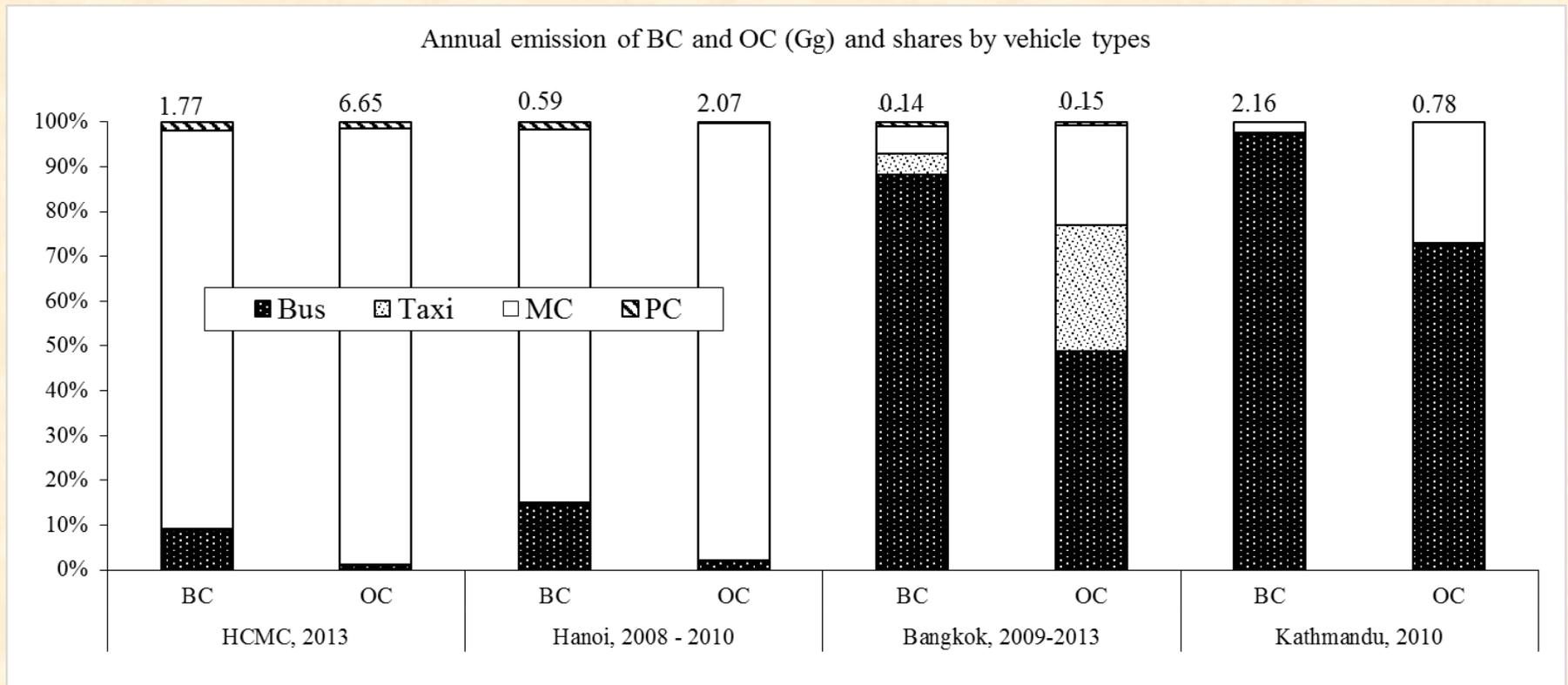
Common for all 4 cities: Bins No. 11-13

- Bin 11 & 12: low speeds with stops/idling (traffic jams)
- Bin 13: slight accelerations (ISSRC, 2008)

# (3) EI results: annual emission (Gg) and shares

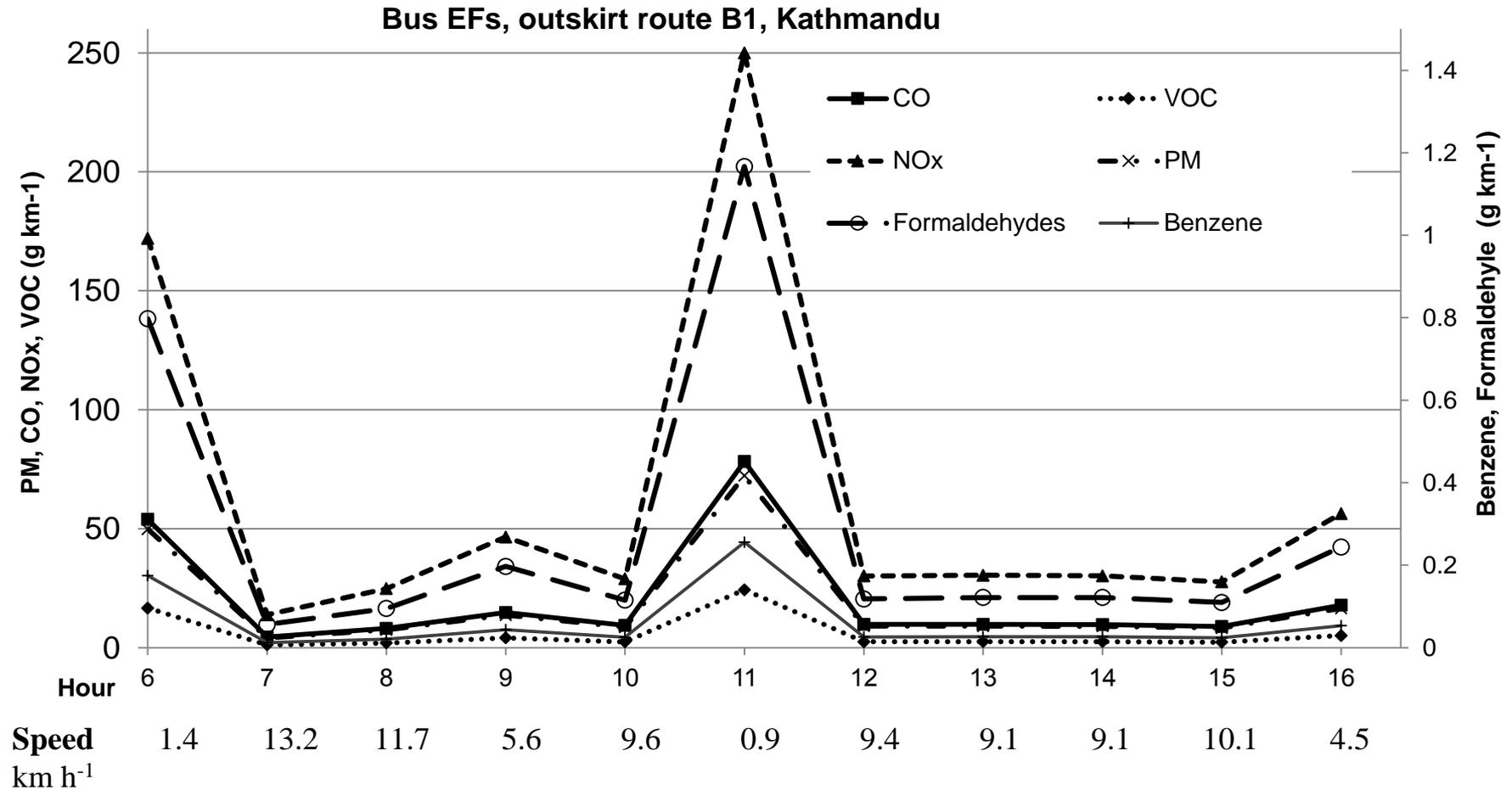


# Annual emission of BC and OC



Bus fleet in Kathmandu: high mileage, old and low speeds

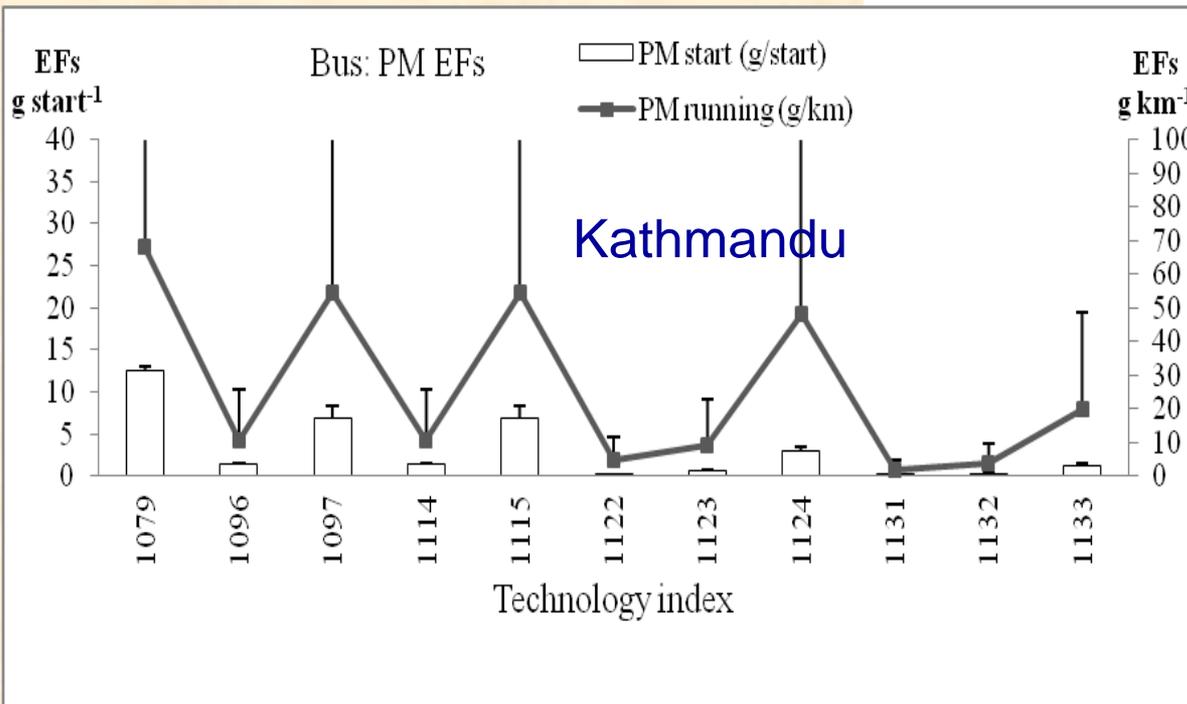
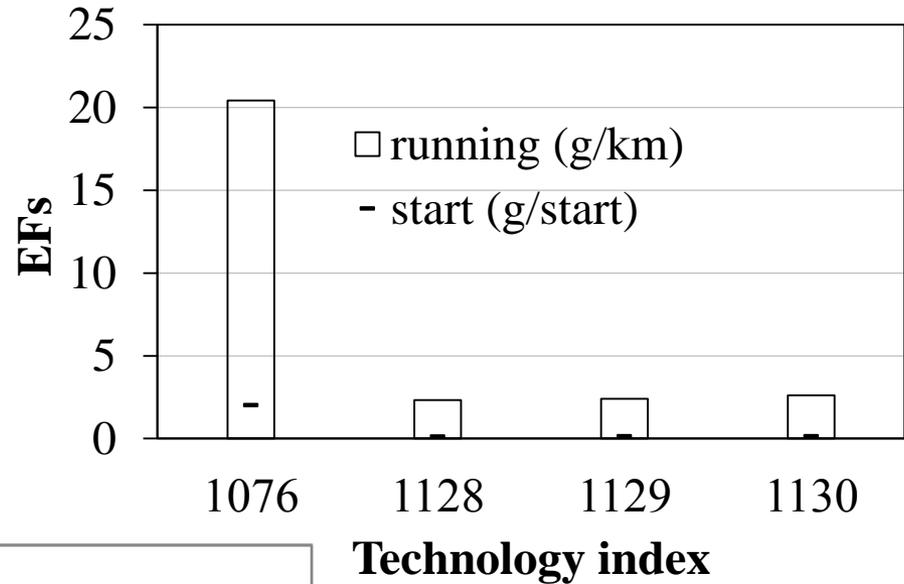
# Running EFs vs. speed



Extremely high EFs of buses when speeds are low

# EFs vs. Technologies

**Bus CO EF, Hanoi**



**Technology index**

Old technologies with high mileage have high EFs

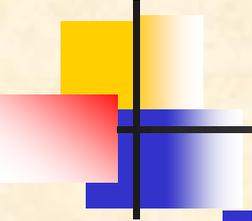
# Co-benefit of faster Euro3 Intrusion

Species	Emission reduction under Euro3 scenario, %		
	Hanoi	HCMC	Kathmandu
CO	89	57	51
VOC (exh+evap)	92	42	48
NO <sub>x</sub>	36	57	31
Sulfate	44	45	-4
PM	61	60	45
<i>BC</i>	68	69	46
<i>OC</i>	28	50	46
CO <sub>2</sub>	-7	3	-2
N <sub>2</sub> O	44	5	-627
CH <sub>4</sub>	97	39	40
Air Toxics	87	43	-39
<b>Total pollutants*</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Total GWP **</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>31</b>

\* Excluded BC, OC and GHGs

\*\* SLCPs (BC, OC, VOC etc.) are included

# Summary



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- Low levels of engine technologies: only a small percentage of Euro4 present
- Wide age span, slow speeds
- High EF of old and high mileage vehicle and slow speeds
- Substantial benefits to air quality and climate mitigation if at least Euro3 implemented

**Thank You!**