## **Sensitivity Analysis**

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This report is to document the sensitivity of the TUV model, and the subsequent calculation of water quality guidelines for PAHs, to variation in certain TUV parameters.

### Input parameters

The input parameters for the calculation of light attenuation through water for the TUV model are:

- - ► Kd Light attenuation coefficient (set directly or calculated from DOC)
  - ► **Sk** (default 0.018)
  - ref\_wvl Reference wavelength for Kd (default 305)
- depth\_m Water depth in m
- lat Latitude in decimal degrees
- lon Longitude in decimal degrees
- elev m Surface elevation, m above sea level
- year Year
- month Month
- day Day
- tzone Timezone Local Time UTC (default 0; UTC)
- tstart Start time, hours local time (default 0)
- tstop Stop time, hours local time (default 23)
- tsteps Number of time steps (default 24)
- albedo Surface albedo (default 0.07)
- o3\_tc Ozone column, Dobson Units (DU) Looked up in climatology (recommended default 300)
- so2\_tc SO2 column, DU (default 0)
- no2 tc NO2 column, DU (default 0)
- taucld Cloud optical depth (default 0)
- zbase Cloud base, km (default 4)
- **ztop** Cloud top, km (default 5)
- tauaer Aerosol optical depth at 550 nm Looked up in climatology (recommended default 0.235)
- ssaaer Aerosol single scattering albedo (default 0.990)
- alpha Aerosol Angstrom exponent(default 1.0)
- wvl\_start Starting wavelength, nm (default 279.5)
- wvl\_end End wavelength, nm (default 420.5)

- wvl\_steps Number of wavelength intervals (default 141)
- nstr TUV run type; use -2 for fast, 4 for slightly more accurate (default -2)

Those currently under consideration for sensitivity analysis are:

- Kd Light attenuation coefficient includes use of DOC for calculating Kd
- albedo Surface albedo (default 0.07)
- o3\_tc Ozone column, Dobson Units (DU) Looked up in climatology (recommended default 300)
- tauaer Aerosol optical depth at 550 nm Looked up in climatology (recommended default 0.235)
- ssaaer Aerosol single scattering albedo (default 0.990)
- lat Latitude in decimal degrees
- elev\_m Surface elevation, m above sea level
- depth\_m Water depth in m
- nstr TUV run type; use -2 for fast, 4 for slightly more accurate (default -2)

The analyses are conducted at three different sample lakes (Southern Interior, Vancouver Island, Northeast), using two PAHs (Anthracene and Benzo[a]pyrene).

For each analysis, we will test a range of reasonable values for the parameter of interest, and plot the phototoxic benchmark value calculated across that range. To look at the relative effect of that parameter on the photoxicity of the PAH, we also plot the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark.

Initially, sensitivity analyses will be univariate (varying the input of interest while holding the others constant). If there are significant interactions expected between certain variables, these can be explored.

### Basic usage of the pahwq package

To start, we will demonstrate a typical straightforward use case at a single site.

To calculate the acute phototoxic water quality guideline (phototoxic benchmark) for Anthracene at 0.25 m depth in Okanagan Lake on June 21, 2023, with a measured DOC of 5 g/m $^3$ , you would use the following code:

First, set up the options for the model run:

```
library(pahwq)

set_tuv_aq_params(
  depth_m = 0.25,
  lat = 49.601632,
  lon = -119.605862,
  elev_m = 342,
  DOC = 5,
  date = "2023-06-21",
  tzone = -8,
```

```
albedo = 0.05
)
```

After setting them, you can view the options that will be used by TUV. Some are set via the function inputs, some are looked up (e.g., o3\_tc, tauaer) or calculated (e.g., kd(305) is calculated from the input DOC).

```
view_tuv_aq_params()
\# a,b,c for: kvdom = a exp(-b(wvl-c)). a = kd(305), b = Sk, c = wavelength, wvl
= 305: 10.67 0.018 305
#> ydepth, m: 0.25
#> lat, negative S of Equator: 49.601632
#> lon, negative W of Greenwich (zero) meridian: -119.605862
#> surface elevation, km above sea level: 0.342
#> timezone: Local Time - UTC: -8
#> iyear: 2023
#> imonth: 6
#> iday: 21
#> tstart, hours local time: 0
#> tstop, hours local time: 23
#> number of time steps: 24
#> surface albedo: 0.05
#> o3 tc ozone column, Dobson Units (DU): 359.937
#> so2 tc SO2 column, DU: 0
#> no2 tc NO2 column, DU: 0
#> taucld - cloud optical depth: 0
#> zbase - cloud base, km: 4
#> ztop - cloud top, km: 5
#> tauaer - aerosol optical depth at 550 nm: 0.0641989811085006
#> ssaaer - aerosol single scattering albedo: 0.99
#> alpha - aerosol Angstrom exponent: 1
#> starting wavelength, nm: 279.5
#> end wavelength, nm: 700.5
#> number of wavelength intervals: 421
#> nstr, use -2 for fast, 4 for slightly more accurate: -2
#> out irrad y, T/F, planar spectral irradiance at ydepth: T
#> out_aflux_y, T/F, scalar spectral irradiance (actinic flux) at depth: F
#> out irrad ave, T/F, planar irrad., averaged 0-ydepth: F
#> out aflux ave, T/F, scalar, ave 0-ydepth: F
#> out_irrad_atm, T/F, planar, in atmosphere: F
#> out_aflux_atm, T/F, scalar, in atmosphere: F
```

Run the TUV model and get the results. The results show the underwater irradiance at the specified depth, at each wavelength and time step.

```
run_tuv()
```

```
# Get the results
tuv_res <- get_tuv_results(file = "out_irrad_y")</pre>
head(tuv res)
     wl wavelength start wavelength end Kd lambda t 00.00.00 t 01.00.00
#>
#> 1 280
                   279.5
                                 280.5
                                            16.7
                                                         (-)
#> 2 281
                   280.5
                                 281.5
                                            16.4
                                                         0
                                                                    0
#> 3 282
                  281.5
                                 282.5
                                            16.1
                                                         0
                                                                    0
#> 4 283
                   282.5
                                 283.5
                                            15.9
                                                         0
                                                                    0
#> 5 284
                                 284.5
                                                         0
                                                                    0
                   283.5
                                            15.6
#> 6 285
                  284.5
                                 285.5
                                            15.3
                                                         0
                                                                    0
#> t_02.00.00 t_03.00.00 t_04.00.00 t_05.00.00 t_06.00.00 t_07.00.00 t_08.00.00
#> 1
         0
                     0 1.93e-36 6.12e-36 1.16e-35 2.71e-35 5.35e-32
#> 2
            0
                      0
                         1.83e-33 5.79e-33
                                              1.10e-32
                                                         2.63e-32
                                                                   3.85e-29
#> 3
            0
                      0
                         1.99e-30
                                   6.28e-30
                                             1.21e-29
                                                        2.96e-29
                                                                   3.14e-26
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                         9.11e-29
                                   2.88e-28 5.56e-28
                                                        1.39e-27
                                                                   1.23e-24
#> 5
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                                                                   1.10e-22
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                                   2.40e-24 4.73e-24
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                                                                   6.49e-21
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     2.39e-27
#> 1
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                          3.76e-23
                                   1.08e-22
                                               3.82e-23
                                                        1.37e-24
                                                                   2.56e-27
                         4.39e-21 1.15e-20 4.46e-21 2.14e-22 6.97e-25
#> 2 6.55e-25 2.07e-22
#> 3
     1.99e-22
               3.56e-20
                          5.61e-19 1.34e-18
                                               5.69e-19 3.67e-20
                                                                   2.11e-22
#> 4
      4.43e-21
                5.70e-19
                          7.57e-18
                                    1.72e-17
                                               7.68e-18
                                                         5.88e-19
                                                                   4.67e-21
#> 5
     1.88e-19
               1.57e-17
                          1.66e-16
                                   3.49e-16
                                               1.68e-16
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                                                         2.79e-16
                                                                   5.34e-18
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#> 1
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                                                                          0
#> 2
      4.27e-29 2.66e-32
                           1.11e-32 5.82e-33
                                               1.86e-33
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                          5.59e-28 2.90e-28
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#> 4
                                               9.27e-29
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#> 5
      1.19e-22
               1.63e-25
                           6.30e-26
                                     3.24e-26
                                               1.04e-26
                          4.76e-24
#> 6
      6.96e-21
                1.28e-23
                                    2.42e-24
                                               7.74e-25
                                                                0
    t 23.00.00
#> 1
             0
#> 2
             (-)
#> 3
             0
             0
#> 4
#> 5
             0
#> 6
             0
```

We can inspect and verify the inputs that were used in the model run:

```
tuv_run_params(tuv_res)
#> a,b,c for: kvdom = a exp(-b(wvl-c)). a = kd(305), b = Sk, c = wavelength, wvl
= 305
#>
0.018 305"
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#>	ydepth,
m #>	"0.25"
#>	lat, negative S of
Equator	tat, negative 3 of
#>	"49.601632"
#>	
meridian	lon, negative W of Greenwich (zero)
#>	"-119.605862"
#>	
level	surface elevation, km above sea
#>	"0.342"
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- UTC	"-8"
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#>	imonth
#> #>	"6"
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#> #>	iday "21"
#> #>	
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	" <sub>0</sub> "
#>	
#>	tstop, hours
local time	"23"
#>	
#>	number of time
steps "	"24"
#> #>	z4 surface
albedo	Surface
#>	"0.05"
#> #>	
	o3_tc ozone column, Dobson
Units (DU)	"359.937"
#> #>	so2_tc S02
	502_10 502
column, DU	" O "
#>	
#>	no2_tc NO2
column, DU	" <u> </u>
#> #>	taucld - cloud optical
	tauctu - ctouu opticat
depth #5	"O"
#>	
#>	zbase - cloud
<pre>base, km #&gt;</pre>	"4"
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                                               tauaer - aerosol optical depth at
#>
550 nm
                                                           "0.0641989811085006"
#>
                                              ssaaer - aerosol single scattering
albedo
                                                                          "0.99"
                                                        alpha - aerosol Angstrom
#>
exponent
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#>
                                                            starting wavelength,
                                                                         "279.5"
#>
                                                                 end wavelength,
nm
                                                                         "700.5"
#>
                                                            number of wavelength
intervals
                                                                           "421"
                                     nstr, use -2 for fast, 4 for slightly more
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accurate
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ydepth
#>
#>
                out_aflux_y, T/F, scalar spectral irradiance (actinic flux) at
depth
#>
                                    out_irrad_ave, T/F, planar irrad., averaged
0-ydepth
                                                 out aflux ave, T/F, scalar, ave
0-ydepth
                                                                             "F"
                                                 out_irrad_atm, T/F, planar, in
atmosphere
                                                                             "F"
                                                  out_aflux_atm, T/F, scalar, in
atmosphere
                                                                              "F"
```

Next, calculate the site-specific light absorption  $(P_{abs})$  for Anthracene from the TUV results. The p\_abs() function uses a lookup table to get the molar absorption coefficient table for the specified PAH.

```
(Pabs <- p_abs(tuv_res, "Anthracene"))
#> [1] 1135.67
```

```
phototoxic_benchmark(Pabs, pah = "Anthracene")
#> [1] 2.151449
```

We can compare the phototoxic benchmark to the narcotic benchmark to see the effect of the photoxicity of the PAH:

```
narcotic_benchmark("Anthracene")
#> [1] 64.12872
```

#### A shortcut:

If you don't need to inspect every step of the way, the above process can be completed in two function calls:

```
tuv_res <- tuv(
  depth_m = 0.25,
  lat = 49.601632,
  lon = -119.605862,
  elev_m = 342,
  DOC = 5,
  date = "2023-06-21",
  tzone = -8,
  albedo = 0.05
)

phototoxic_benchmark(tuv_res, "Anthracene")
#> [1] 2.151449
```

## Sensitivity Analysis: Setup

We'll start by loading the packages we need and getting some data from B.C. EMS:

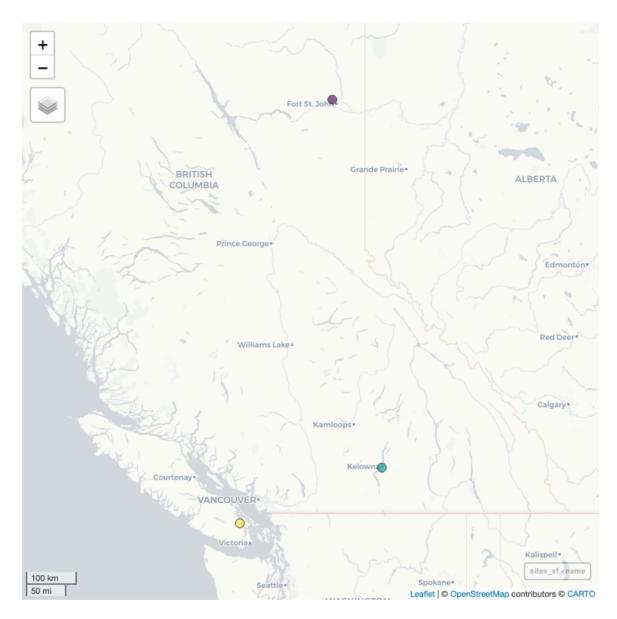
```
library(sf)
library(mapview)
library(rems)
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggrepel)

con <- connect_historic_db()</pre>
```

```
db <- attach historic data(con)</pre>
sites sf <- db |>
 filter(
    EMS_ID %in% c("0500236", "E207466", "0400390"),
    # grepl("(CHARLIE L)|(OKANAGAN)|(QUAMICHAN)", MONITORING LOCATION),
    COLLECTION_START > as.Date("2020-01-01"), PARAMETER_CODE == "1103"
 ) |>
  collect() |>
 st_as_sf(coords = c("LONGITUDE", "LATITUDE"), crs = 4326, remove = FALSE) |>
 filter(!is.na(RESULT)) |>
 arrange(desc(COLLECTION START)) |>
  group_by(EMS_ID, MONITORING_LOCATION, LONGITUDE, LATITUDE) |>
 mutate(doc min = min(RESULT), doc max = max(RESULT)) |>
  slice(1) |>
  select(emsid = EMS_ID,
         name = MONITORING LOCATION,
         lon = LONGITUDE,
         lat = LATITUDE,
         date = COLLECTION_START,
         DOC = RESULT,
         doc_min,
         doc max) |>
  left join(
   tribble(
     ~ emsid, ~elev m,
      "E207466", 25,
     "0400390", 693,
      "0500236", 342
    ), by = join_by("emsid")
 ) |>
 ungroup() |>
  relocate(elev_m, .after = lat)
disconnect historic db(con)
```

### **Locations**

```
mapview(sites_sf, zcol = "name", legend = FALSE)
```



### Okanagan Lake, Okanagan

EMS ID: 0500236
Region: Okanagan
Latitude: 49.8614 N
Longitude: 119.5134 W
Site Depth: 70.1 m

• Maximum Lake Depth: 232 m

• Lake Elevation: 342 m

• Lake Surface Area: 350.08 sq km

### Charlie Lake, Peace

• EMS ID: 0400390

• Region: Peace

Latitude: 56.3125 NLongitude: 120.9642 W

• Site Depth: 13 m

• Maximum Lake Depth: 13 m

• Lake Elevation: 693 m

• Lake Surface Area: 17.56 sq km

### Quamichan Lake, Vancouver Island

• EMS ID: E207466

• Region: Vancouver Island

Latitude: 48.8003 NLongitude: 123.6625 W

• Site Depth: 7 m

• Maximum Lake Depth: 8 m

• Lake Elevation: 25 m

• Lake Surface Area: 2.88 sq km

### Prepare the data for comparisons, including setting the date to be the same

for all sites:

```
sites <- sites_sf |>
   st_drop_geometry() |>
   mutate(date = "2023-08-01")
gt(sites) |>
   fmt_number(decimals = 2)
```

emsid	name	lon	lat	elev_m	date	DOC	doc_min	doc_max
0400390	CHARLIE L DEEP STATION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK	-120.96	56.31	693.00	2023-08-01	14.00	0.96	15.40
0500236	OKANAGAN L D/S KELOWNA STP (DEEP)	-119.51	49.86	342.00	2023-08-01	4.26	4.06	5.17
E207466	QUAMICHAN LAKE; CENTRE	-123.66	48.80	25.00	2023-08-01	6.61	6.37	11.80

## Basic analysis using defaults

To perform the sensitivity analysis, we need to define a function, multi\_pb() that allows us to do repeated runs of the TUV model and phototoxic benchmark calculation using a range of inputs at multiple sites:

```
multi pb <- function(df, site = "name", pah, varying, vals = NULL, ...)</pre>
{
          if
                  (!varying
                                %in%
                                          union(names(tuv aq defaults()),
names(formals(set tuv aq params)))) {
    stop(varying, " is not a valid argument for `set tuv aq params()`")
  }
  if (!is.null(vals)) {
    var df <- data.frame(vals)</pre>
    names(var df) <- varying</pre>
    df <- df |>
      select(!any of(varying)) |>
      dplyr::cross_join(var_df)
  }
  df |>
    rowwise() >
    mutate(
      tuv res = list(calc tuv(
          date = date,
          lat = lat,
          lon = lon,
          elev m = elev m,
          varying = .data[[varying]],
          vary_var = varying,
        ))
    ) |>
    cross_join(data.frame(PAH = pah)) |>
    mutate(
      timing = attr(tuv res, "timing"),
      Pabs = p abs(tuv res, PAH),
      phototoxic benchmark = phototoxic benchmark(Pabs, pah = PAH),
      narcotic benchmark = narcotic benchmark(PAH),
      p n ratio = phototoxic benchmark / narcotic benchmark
    ) |>
```

```
ungroup()
}
calc tuv <- function(date, lat, lon, elev m, varying, vary var, ...) {</pre>
  args <- c(
    varying,
    list(
      depth m = 0.25,
      date = as.Date(date),
      lat = lat,
      lon = lon,
      elev m = elev m
    ),
  )
  names(args)[1] <- vary var</pre>
 # allow overriding of one of the core args by one supplied in 'varying',
  # this will keep the first of duplicated argument names, which will
  # be the one in 'varying'
  args <- args[unique(names(args))]</pre>
  do.call("set tuv ag params", args)
  t <- system.time(run tuv(quiet = TRUE))
  res <- get tuv results(file = "out irrad y")</pre>
  attr(res, "timing") <- unname(t["elapsed"])</pre>
  res
}
```

We then use the  $multi_pb()$  function to calculate  $P_{abs}$ , phototoxic benchmark, and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene using recorded DOC values at the three sites. This also uses the utility of pahwq to look up ozone column and aerosol optical depth from climatologies based on latitude, longitude, and month.

```
diff_DOC <- multi_pb(sites, pah = c("Anthracene", "Naphthalene"), varying
= "DOC")</pre>
```

name	lon	lat	elev m	DOC	PAH	Pabs	phototoxic benchmark	narcotic benchmark	p n ratio
CHARLIE L DEEP STA- TION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK	-120.96	56.31	693.00	14.00	Anthracene	54.18	8.32	64.13	0.13
CHARLIE L DEEP STA- TION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK	-120.96	56.31	693.00	14.00	Naphtha- lene	0.00	554.78	564.71	0.98
OKANA- GAN L D/S KELOWNA STP (DEEP)	-119.51	49.86	342.00	4.26	Anthracene	1,184.37	2.11	64.13	0.03
OKANA- GAN L D/S KELOWNA STP (DEEP)	-119.51	49.86	342.00	4.26	Naphtha- lene	0.50	330.64	564.71	0.59

name	lon	lat	elev m	DOC	PAH	Pabs	phototoxic benchmark	narcotic benchmark	p n ratio
QUAMICHAN LAKE; CENTRE	-123.66	48.80	25.00	6.61	Anthracene	598.94	2.89	64.13	0.05
QUAMICHAN LAKE; CENTRE	-123.66	48.80	25.00	6.61	Naphtha- lene	0.10	425.37	564.71	0.75

To compare the sites using the same input parameters other than location (lat, lon, elevation), we modify the data to set a constant [DOC] (DOC = 5), and calculate  $P_{abs}$ , phototoxic benchmark, and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene using constant DOC = 5:

```
same_DOC <- sites |>
mutate(DOC = 5) |>
multi_pb(pah = "Anthracene", varying = "DOC")
```

name	lon	lat	elev m	PAH	Pabs	phototoxic benchmark	narcotic benchmark	p n ratio
CHARLIE L DEEP STA- TION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK	-120.964	56.312	693.000	Anthracene	905.189	2.389	64.129	0.037

name	lon	lat	elev m	PAH	Pabs	phototoxic benchmark	narcotic benchmark	p n ratio
OKANA- GAN L D/ S KELOWNA STP (DEEP)	-119.513	49.861	342.000	Anthracene	960.422	2.325	64.129	0.036
QUAMICHAN LAKE; CEN- TRE	-123.662	48.800	25.000	Anthracene	960.258	2.325	64.129	0.036

## Light Attenuation Coefficieent ( $k_d$ )

The TUV model calculates the light attenuation coefficient  $k_d(\lambda)$  for each wavelength, based on a reference  $k_d(\lambda_{ref})$ , where  $\lambda_{ref}$  is the reference wavelength.

 $k_d(\lambda_{ref})$  at 305nm ( $k_{d,305}$ ) can be estimated from Dissolved Organic Carbon concentration [DOC] using the equation:

```
k_{d,305}=a_{305}[DOC]^{b_{305}}+0.13; \ a_{305} = 1.28 and b_{305} = 1.31 from D. P. Morris et al. [1]; Equation 6 in P. Jourabchi [2]
```

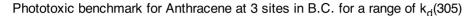
For the sensitivity analysis for  $k_d$ , it is more interpretable to supply a range of  $k_d$  values to the TUV model directly, even though in practice it is more likely to use [DOC] to estimate  $k_d$ .

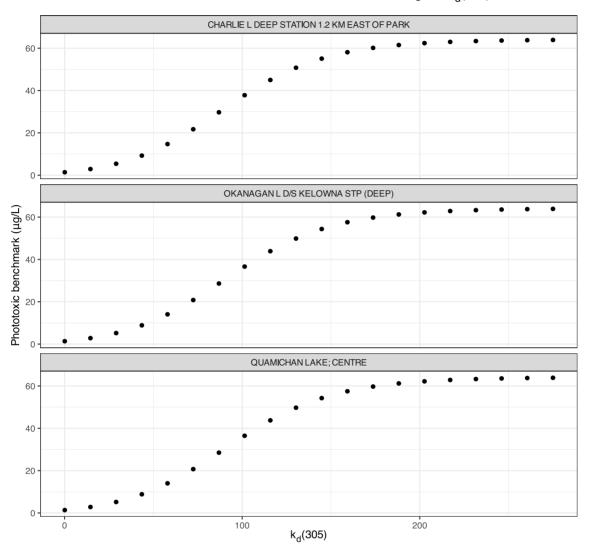
We will test the sensitivity to  $k_d$  using sample values from Table 3 (P. Jourabchi [3]), from 0.08 to 275:

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```
kd_{vals} \leftarrow seq(0.08, 275, length.out = 20)
```

## Effect of varying $k_d$ on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

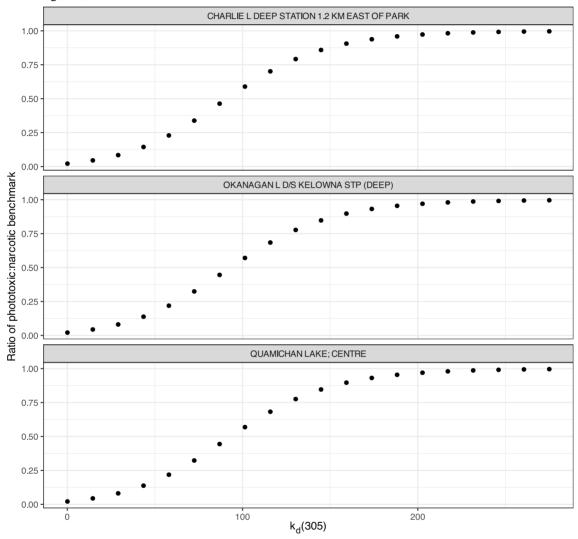




```
ggplot(kd_test_a, aes(x = Kd_ref, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of k~d~(305)",
    x = "k~d~(305)",
```

```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of  $k_d(305)$ 



For Anthracene, the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark approaches 1 when  $k_d(305)$  is ~ 250 — in other words at that level of  $k_d$ , phototoxic benchmark is nearly the same as narcotic benchmark, indicating that the light is attenuated to such an extent that the phototoxicity of Anthracene is not activated at the light levels when  $k_d(305) >= 250$ .

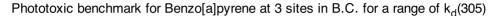
According to the above equation for estimating  $k_d$  from [DOC]:

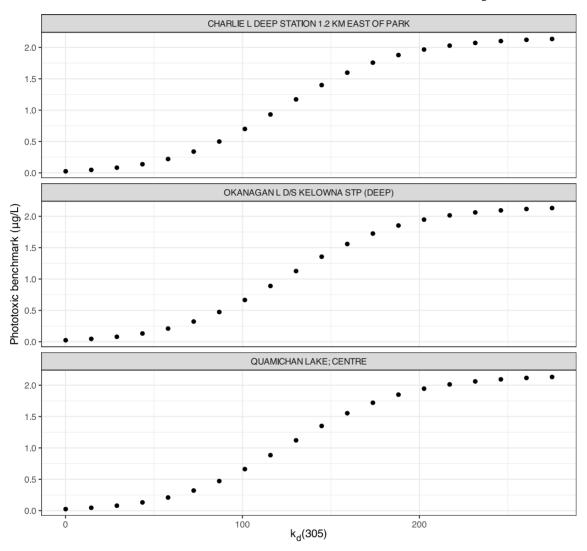
```
250 = 1.28[DOC]^{1.31} + 0.13
[DOC] ~= 56
```

Therefore  $k_d(305)$  of ~250 is representative of light attenuation when [DOC] is ~56. This is a significantly higher DOC concentration than observed in our three sample lakes, and is near the maximum of the range for which the above equation is recommended (it is recommended for [DOC] between 0.2 and 61.45 mg/L).

# Effect of varying $k_d$ on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

We will use the same input values as we did for Anthracene:

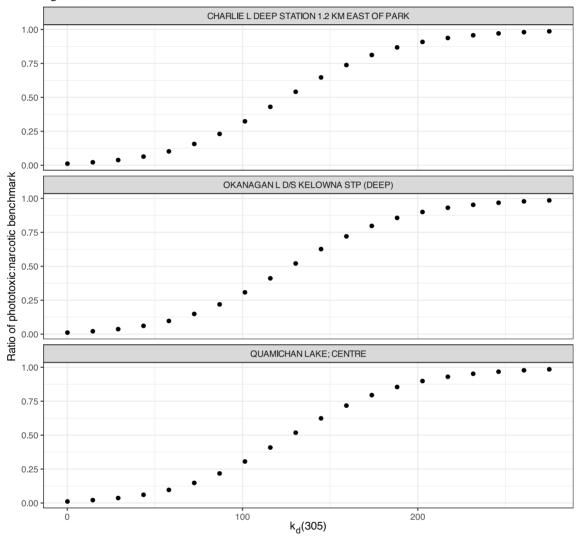




```
ggplot(kd_test_b, aes(x = Kd_ref, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of k~d~(305)",
    x = "k~d~(305)",
```

```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of  $k_d(305)$ 



## Surface Albedo (albedo)

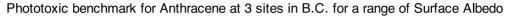
We test surface albedo values from 0.05 to 0.1 (typical for water), and include the suggested default of 0.07:

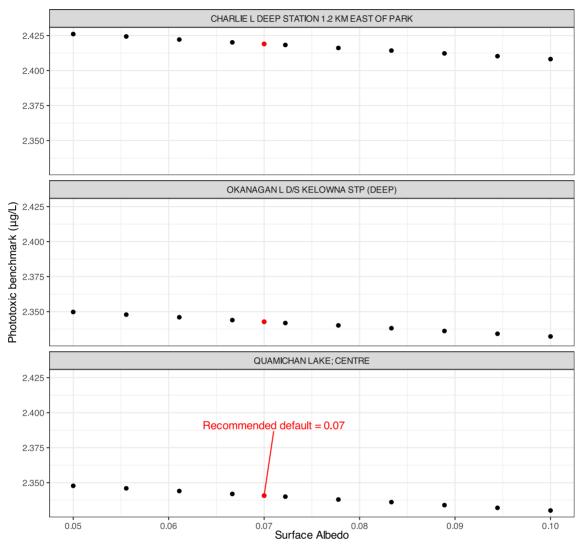
```
albedo_vals <- c(seq(0.05, 0.1, length.out = 10), 0.07)
```

For this and the remaining analyses, we will set DOC = 5 for all sites to ensure a constant  $k_d$  value. We can then test the range of surface albedo values at all three sites for Anthracene and Benzo[a]pyrene.

## Effect of varying Surface Albedo on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

```
albedo test a <- multi pb(sites,
                           pah = "Anthracene",
                           varying = "albedo",
                           vals = albedo vals,
                           DOC = 5,
                           03 tc = 300,
                           tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(albedo test a, aes(x = albedo, y = phototoxic benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
   data = filter(albedo_test_a, albedo == 0.07),
   colour = "red"
  ) +
 geom text repel(
   data = filter(albedo test a, albedo == 0.07, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
   colour = "red",
   label = "Recommended default = 0.07",
   nudge x = 0.001,
   nudge_y = 0.05
 ) +
 labs(
   title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of Surface Albedo",
   x = "Surface Albedo",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (μg/L)"
  )
```

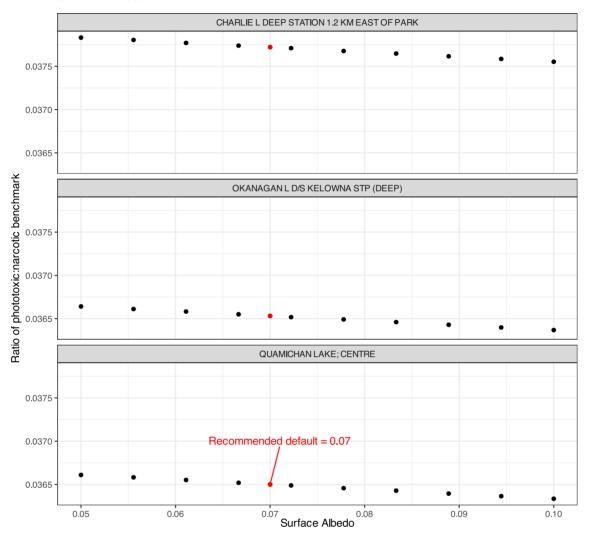




```
ggplot(albedo_test_a, aes(x = albedo, y = p_n_ratio)) +
   geom_point() +
   facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
   geom_point(
     data = filter(albedo_test_a, albedo == 0.07),
     colour = "red"
   ) +
   geom_text_repel(
```

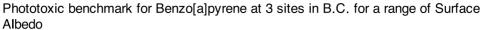
```
data = filter(albedo_test_a, albedo == 0.07, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.07",
    nudge_x = 0.001,
    nudge_y = 0.0005
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nSurface Albedo",
    x = "Surface Albedo",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

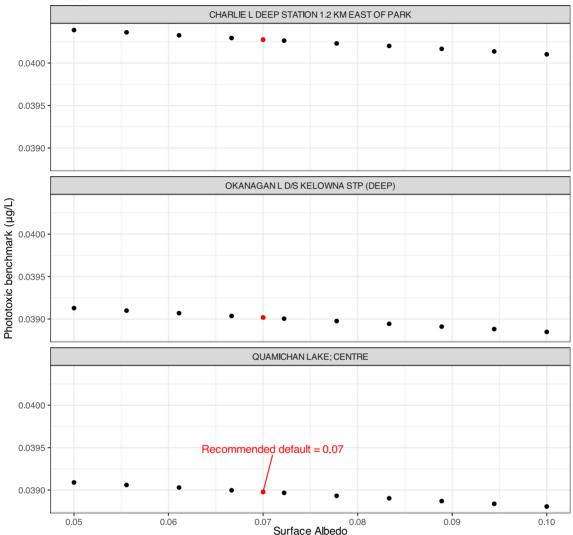
Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Surface Albedo



# Effect of varying Surface Albedo on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

```
ggplot(albedo test b, aes(x = albedo, y = phototoxic benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
    data = filter(albedo test b, albedo == 0.07),
    colour = "red"
 ) +
  geom_text_repel(
   data = filter(albedo_test_b, albedo == 0.07, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.07",
    nudge x = 0.001,
   nudge_y = 0.0005
 ) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of Surface Albedo",
   x = "Surface Albedo",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
  )
```





```
ggplot(albedo_test_b, aes(x = albedo, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(albedo_test_b, albedo == 0.07),
    colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(albedo_test_b, albedo == 0.07, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.07",
    nudge_x = 0.001,
    nudge_y = 0.0003
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nSurface Albedo",
    x = "Surface Albedo",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

CHARLIE L DEEP STATION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK 0.0185 0.0183 0.0181 0.0179 Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark OKANAGAN L D/S KELOWNA STP (DEEP) 0.0185 0.0183 0.0181 0.0179 QUAMICHAN LAKE; CENTRE 0.0185 Recommended default = 0.07 0.0183 0.0181

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Surface Albedo

## Ozone Column (o3\_tc)

0.06

0.05

0.0179

The pahwq package currently uses average monthly ozone column data from 1980-1991 from J. P. F. Fortuin and H. Kelder [4], which is bundled with the TUV model. Based on latitude and longitude and month, the ozone column value is looked up and supplied to the TUV model. This default behaviour can be overridden by supplying a value to the o3\_tc argument in the set\_tuv\_aq\_params function. In the absence of climatological data, the recommended default value is 300 DU (P. Jourabchi [3]).

Surface Albedo

0.10

0.09

To test the sensitivity of phototoxic benchmark to ozone column, a range of values is tested from 280-420 DU, which are typical values in middle to Northern latitudes. See NASA's 'Ozone Watch' page for more information on atmospheric ozone.

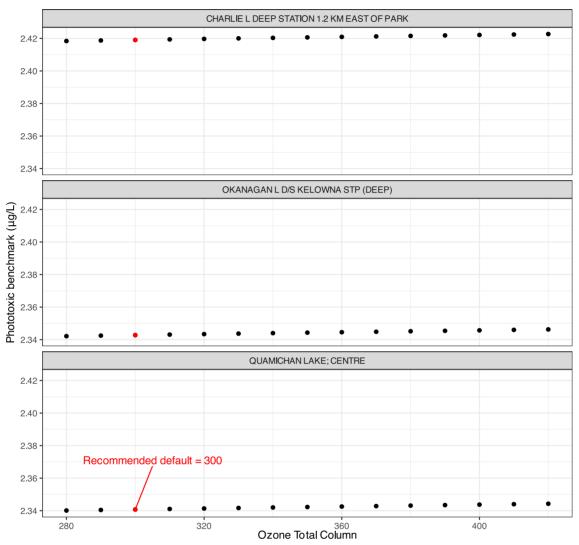
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```
ozone_vals <- seq(280, 420, by = 10)
```

## Effect of varying Ozone Total Column on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

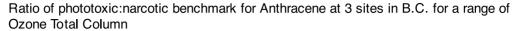
```
ozone test a <- multi pb(sites,
                          pah = "Anthracene",
                          varying = "o3 tc",
                          vals = ozone vals,
                          DOC = 5,
                          tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(ozone test a, aes(x = o3 tc, y = phototoxic benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
   data = filter(ozone test a, o3 tc == 300),
   colour = "red"
  geom text repel(
    data = filter(ozone test a, o3 tc == 300, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
   colour = "red",
   label = "Recommended default = 300",
   nudge x = 5,
   nudge y = 0.03
 ) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of Ozone Total Column",
   x = "Ozone Total Column",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
```

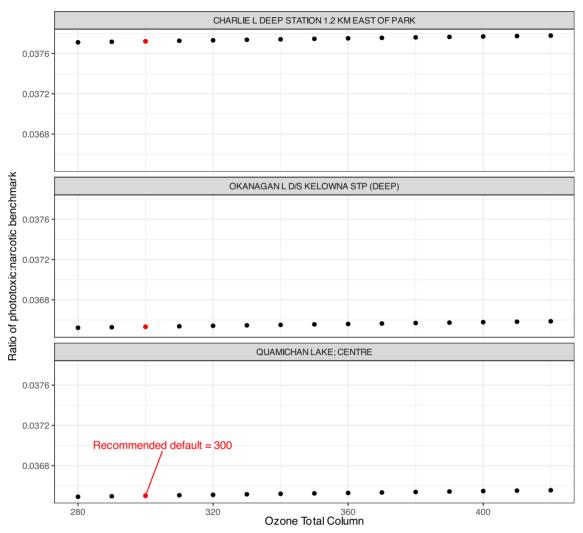




```
ggplot(ozone_test_a, aes(x = o3_tc, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
   data = filter(ozone_test_a, o3_tc == 300),
   colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

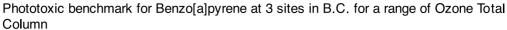
```
data = filter(ozone_test_a, o3_tc == 300, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 300",
    nudge_x = 5,
    nudge_y = 0.0005
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nozone Total Column",
    x = "Ozone Total Column",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

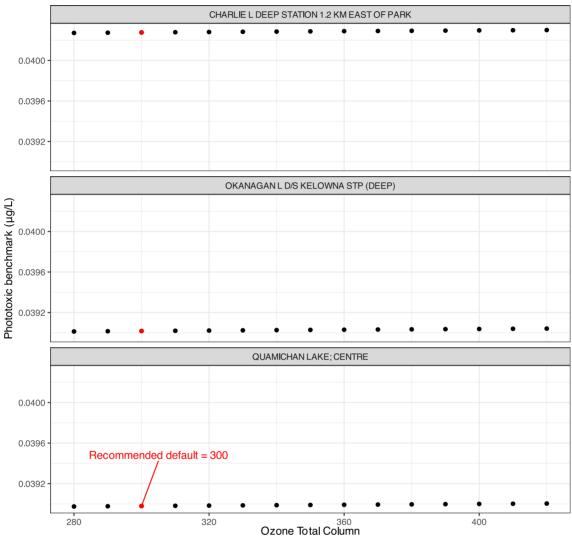




# Effect of varying Ozone Total Column on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

```
ggplot(ozone test b, aes(x = o3 tc, y = phototoxic benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
   data = filter(ozone test b, o3 tc == 300),
   colour = "red"
 ) +
 geom text repel(
    data = filter(ozone_test_b, o3_tc == 300, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
   colour = "red",
   label = "Recommended default = 300",
   nudge_x = 5,
   nudge y = 0.0005
 ) +
 labs(
   title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of Ozone Total Column",
   x = "Ozone Total Column",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
 )
```





```
ggplot(ozone_test_b, aes(x = o3_tc, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(ozone_test_b, o3_tc == 300),
    colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(ozone_test_b, o3_tc == 300, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;

CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 300",
    nudge_x = 5,
    nudge_y = 0.0003
) +
    labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nozone Total Column",
    x = "Ozone Total Column",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

CHARLIE L DEEP STATION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK 0.0186 0.0184 0.0182 0.0180 Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark OKANAGAN L D/S KELOWNA STP (DEEP) 0.0186 0.0184 0.0182 0.0180 QUAMICHAN LAKE; CENTRE 0.0186 0.0184 Recommended default = 300 0.0182

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Ozone Total Column

## **Aerosol Optical Depth (tauaer)**

320

0.0180

The pahwq package currently uses average monthly aerosol optical depth data from 2002 to 2023, obtained from MODIS/Aqua satellite data. Based on latitude and longitude and month, the AOD value is looked up and supplied to the TUV model. This default behaviour can be overridden by supplying a value to the tauaer argument in the set\_tuv\_aq\_params function. In the absence of climatological data, the recommended default value is 0.235 (P. Jourabchi [3]).

360

Ozone Total Column

To test the sensitivity of phototoxic benchmark to AOD, a range of values is tested from 0.1 (clear skies with maximum visibility) to 1.0 (very hazy skies). See the NASA Earth Observatory page on aerosols.

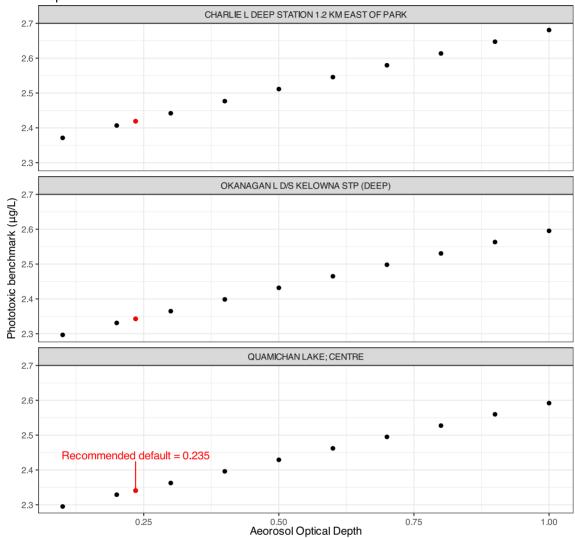
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```
aod_vals <- c(seq(0.1, 1.0, length.out = 10), 0.235)
```

## Effect of Varying Aerosol Optical Depth (AOD) on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

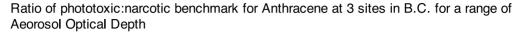
```
aod test a <- multi pb(sites,
                        pah = "Anthracene",
                        varying = "tauaer",
                        vals = aod vals,
                        DOC = 5,
                        o3 tc = 300)
ggplot(aod\ test\ a,\ aes(x = tauaer,\ y = phototoxic\ benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom point(
    data = filter(aod test a, tauaer == 0.235),
    colour = "red"
  geom text repel(
    data = filter(aod test a, tauaer == 0.235, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.235",
    nudge_y = 0.1
  ) +
  labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of Aeorosol Optical Depth",
   x = "Aeorosol Optical Depth",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (μg/L)"
  )
```

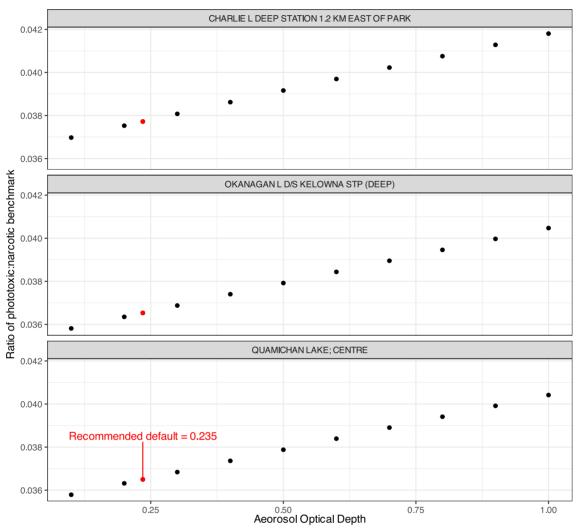




```
ggplot(aod_test_a, aes(x = tauaer, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(aod_test_a, tauaer == 0.235),
    colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(aod_test_a, tauaer == 0.235, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.235",
    nudge_y = 0.002
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nAeorosol Optical Depth",
    x = "Aeorosol Optical Depth",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

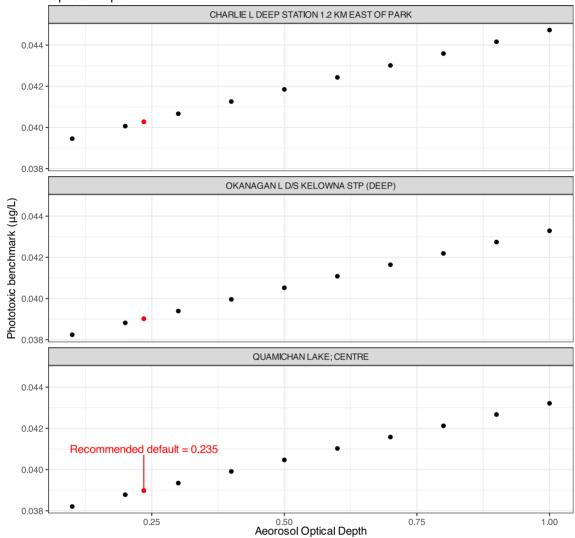




# Effect of varying Aerosol Optical Depth (AOD) on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

```
ggplot(aod\ test\ b,\ aes(x = tauaer,\ y = phototoxic\ benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
    data = filter(aod test b, tauaer == 0.235),
    colour = "red"
 ) +
  geom text repel(
    data = filter(aod_test_b, tauaer == 0.235, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
   label = "Recommended default = 0.235",
    nudge_y = 0.002
 ) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of\nAeorosol Optical Depth",
   x = "Aeorosol Optical Depth",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
 )
```

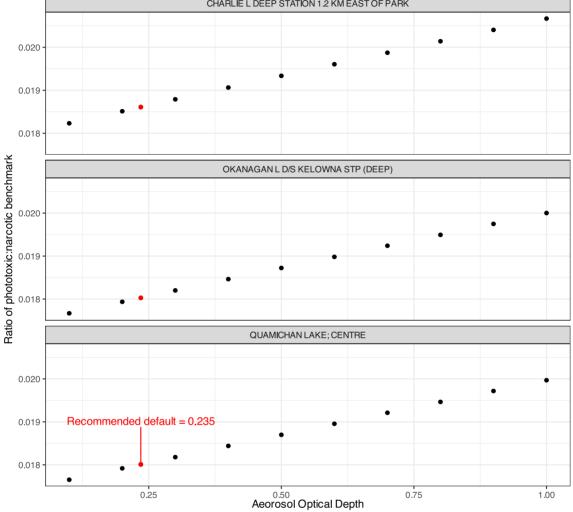
## Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Optical Depth



```
ggplot(aod_test_b, aes(x = tauaer, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(aod_test_b, tauaer == 0.235),
    colour = "red"
) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(aod_test_b, tauaer == 0.235, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.235",
    nudge_y = 0.001
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nAeorosol Optical Depth",
    x = "Aeorosol Optical Depth",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Optical Depth CHARLIE L DEEP STATION 1.2 KM EAST OF PARK



## **Aerosol Single Scattering Albedo (ssaaer)**

Aerosol Single Scattering Albedo is currently set as a default constant value of 0.99. This can be overridden by setting the ssaaer parameter of the set\_tuv\_aq\_params() function to a different value.

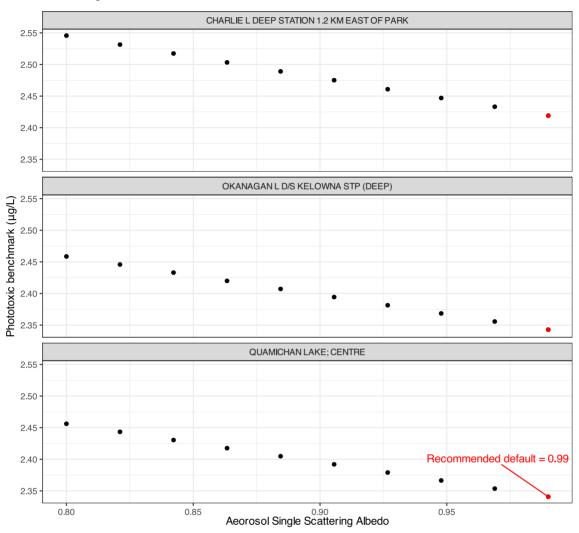
Here we test a range for values from 0.80 to 0.99, including the recommended default of 0.99 (P. Jourabchi [3]).

$$ssa_vals < - seq(0.8, 0.99, length.out = 10)$$

## Effect of varying Aerosol Single Scattering Albedo on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

```
ssa test a <- multi pb(sites,
                        pah = "Anthracene",
                        varying = "ssaaer",
                        vals = ssa vals,
                        DOC = 5,
                        o3 tc = 300,
                        tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(ssa_test_a, aes(x = ssaaer, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom point(
    data = filter(ssa_test_a, ssaaer == 0.99),
    colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom text repel(
    data = filter(ssa test a, ssaaer == 0.99, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.99",
    nudge y = .06
  ) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of\nAeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
   x = "Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
  )
```

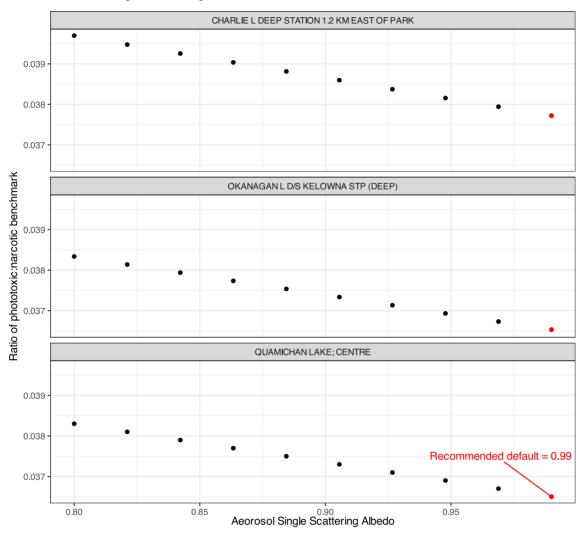
## Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo



```
ggplot(ssa_test_a, aes(x = ssaaer, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(ssa_test_a, ssaaer == 0.99),
    colour = "red"
) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(ssa_test_a, ssaaer == 0.99, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.99",
    nudge_y = .001
) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nAeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
    x = "Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

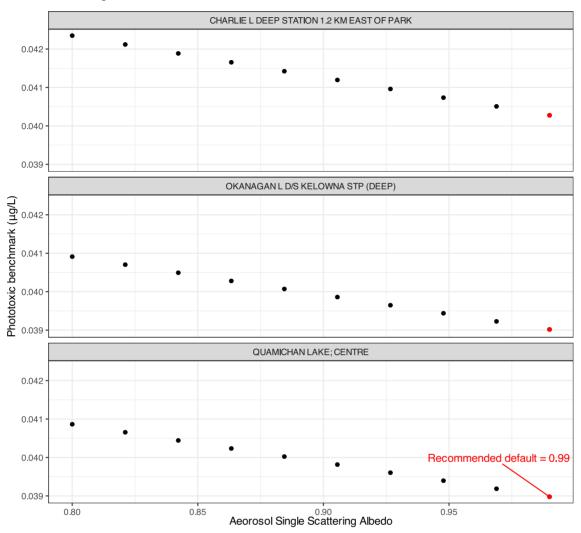
Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo



## Effect of varying Aerosol Single Scattering Albedo on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

```
ggplot(ssa_test_b, aes(x = ssaaer, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 geom point(
    data = filter(ssa_test_b, ssaaer == 0.99),
    colour = "red"
 ) +
  geom_text_repel(
    data = filter(ssa_test_b, ssaaer == 0.99, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.99",
    nudge y = .001
  ) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of\nAeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
   x = "Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (µg/L)"
 )
```

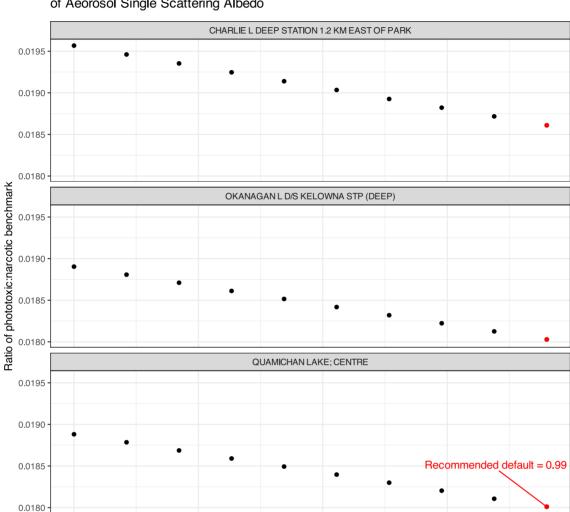
Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo



```
ggplot(ssa_test_b, aes(x = ssaaer, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  geom_point(
   data = filter(ssa_test_b, ssaaer == 0.99),
   colour = "red"
  ) +
  geom_text_repel(
```

```
data = filter(ssa_test_b, ssaaer == 0.99, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;

CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.99",
    nudge_y = .0005
) +
    labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nAeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
    x = "Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```



Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo

## Latitude (lat)

0.80

Latitude has a strong effect on the angle of the sun, which will in turn affect the light penetration through water, thus it is important to investigate the sensitivity of the calculation of phototoxic benchmark to variation in latitude.

Aeorosol Single Scattering Albedo

0.95

0.85

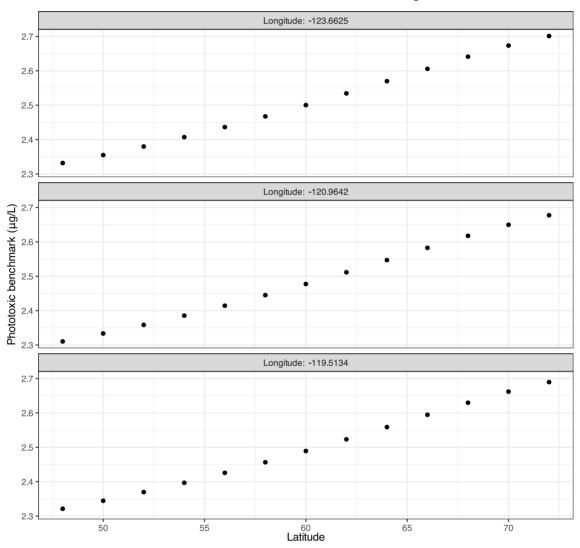
For this analysis, we will maintain the longitudes associated with each site, and make "mock" sites by creating a range of latitudes from 48 to 72 degrees N and pair those with the longitudes of the original sites.

$$lat_vals <- seq(48, 72, by = 2)$$

### Effect of varying Latitude on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

```
lat test a <- multi pb(sites,</pre>
                        pah = "Anthracene",
                        varying = "lat",
                        vals = lat vals,
                        DOC = 5,
                        o3 tc = 300,
                        tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(lat_test_a, aes(x = lat, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
 geom_point() +
    facet wrap(vars(lon), ncol = 1, labeller = as labeller(\(x)
paste("Longitude: ", x))) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of latitudes",
   x = "Latitude",
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (μg/L)"
```

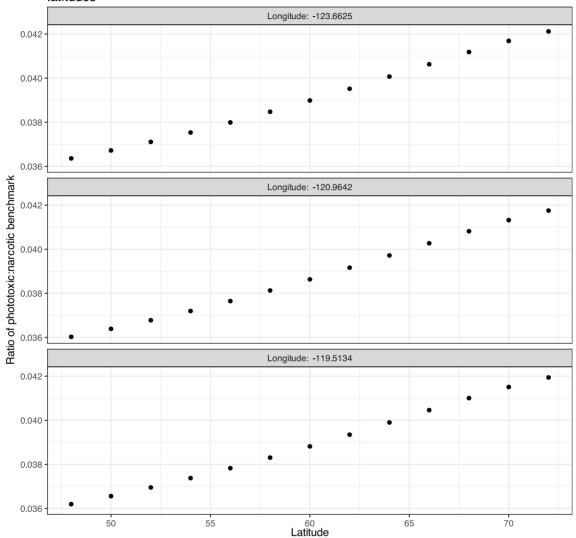
#### Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of latitudes



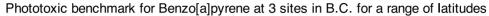
```
ggplot(lat_test_a, aes(x = lat, y = p_n_ratio)) +
    geom_point() +
    facet_wrap(vars(lon), ncol = 1, labeller = as_labeller(\(x))
paste("Longitude: ", x))) +
    labs(
        title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of latitudes",
        x = "Latitude",
```

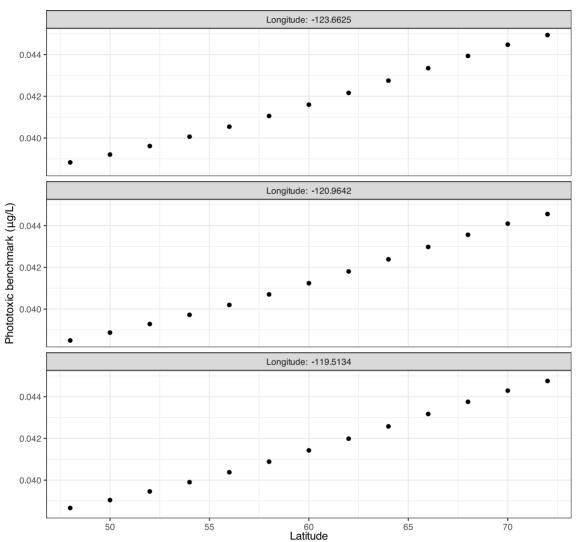
```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of latitudes



## Effect of varying Latitude on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

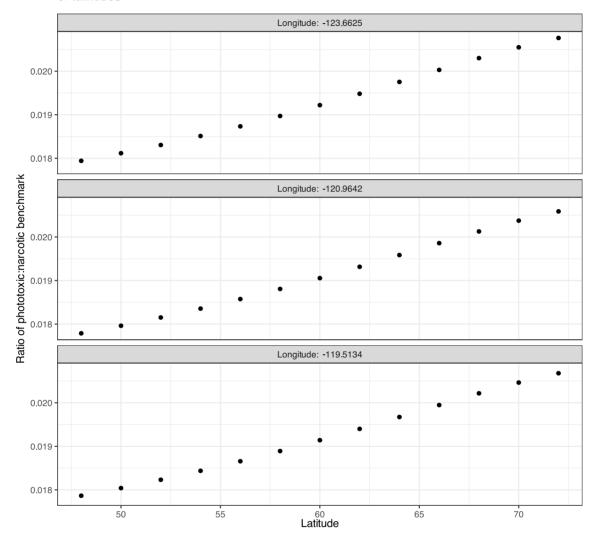




```
ggplot(lat_test_b, aes(x = lat, y = p_n_ratio)) +
    geom_point() +
    facet_wrap(vars(lon), ncol = 1, labeller = as_labeller(\(x))
paste("Longitude: ", x))) +
    labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nlatitudes",
    x = "Latitude",
```

```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of latitudes



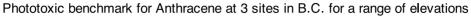
## **Elevation** (elev\_m)

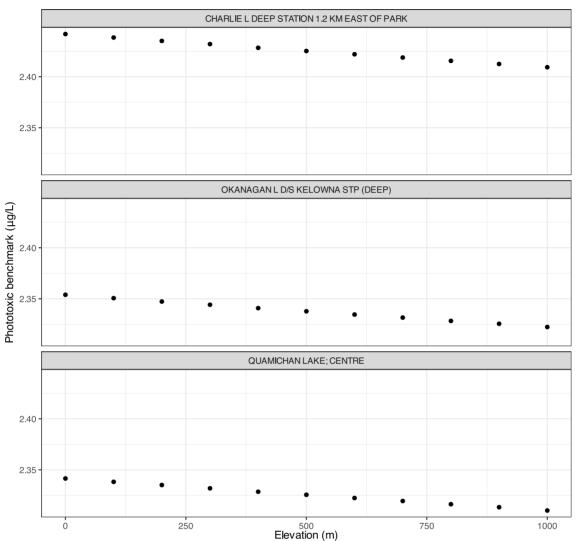
We can test the effect of elevation on phototoxic benchmark by varying elevation from sea level to 1000m above sea level. We will keep the latitude and longitude associated with each site.

```
elevation_vals \leftarrow seq(0, 1000, by = 100)
```

## Effect of varying Elevation on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

```
elev_test_a <- multi_pb(sites,</pre>
                         pah = "Anthracene",
                         varying = "elev m",
                         vals = elevation vals,
                         DOC = 5,
                         03_{tc} = 300,
                         tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(elev_test_a, aes(x = elev_m, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
 geom_point() +
  facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of elevations",
   x = "Elevation (m)",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (µg/L)"
  )
```

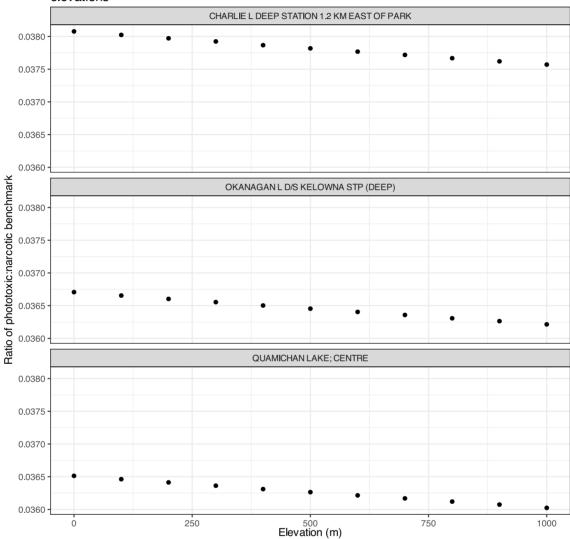




```
ggplot(elev_test_a, aes(x = elev_m, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nelevations",
    x = "Elevation (m)",
```

```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

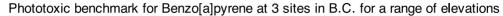
Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of elevations

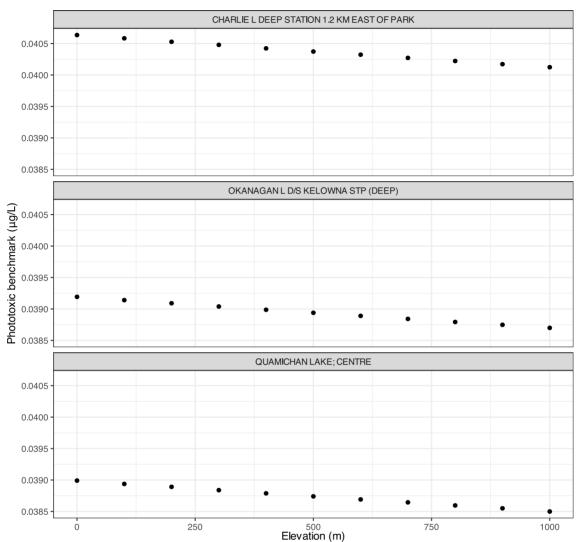


# Effect of varying Elevation on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

```
vals = elevation_vals,
DOC = 5,
03_tc = 300,
tauaer = 0.235)

ggplot(elev_test_b, aes(x = elev_m, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
geom_point() +
facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
labs(
title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of elevations",
x = "Elevation (m)",
y = "Phototoxic benchmark (µg/L)"
)
```

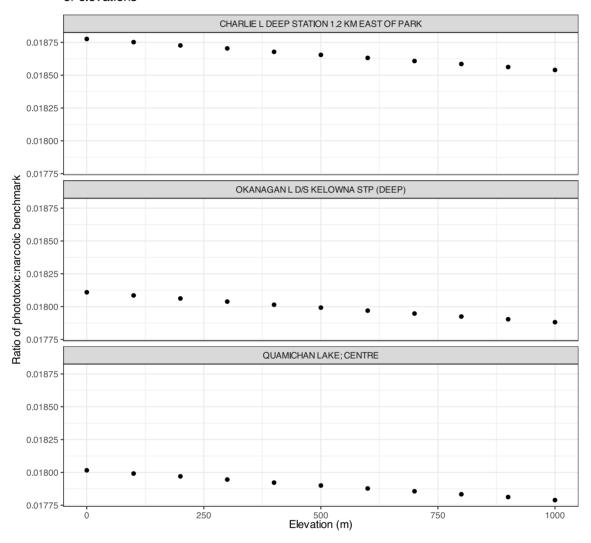




```
ggplot(elev_test_b, aes(x = elev_m, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nelevations",
    x = "Elevation (m)",
```

```
y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of elevations



## Water depth (depth\_m)

The depth at which the photoxicity of a PAH is determined should be a conservative one - i.e., a depth at which sensitive species/life stages exist and thus would be exposed. The default is set at 0.25m.

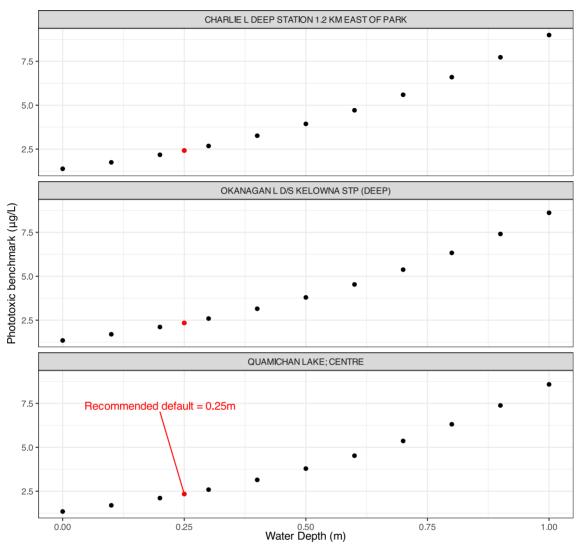
We can test the effect of depth on phototoxic benchmark by varying elevation from water level to 1m below the surface:

```
depth_vals <- c(seq(0, 1, by = 0.1), 0.25)
```

## Effect of varying Water Depth on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene

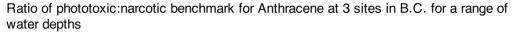
```
depth test a <- multi pb(sites,</pre>
                          pah = "Anthracene",
                          varying = "depth m",
                          vals = depth vals,
                          DOC = 5,
                          03 \text{ tc} = 300,
                          tauaer = 0.235)
ggplot(depth test a, aes(x = depth m, y = phototoxic benchmark)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom point(
    data = filter(depth_test_a, depth_m == 0.25),
    colour = "red"
  geom text repel(
   data = filter(depth test a, depth m == 0.25, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.25m",
    nudge x = -0.05,
    nudge_y = 5
  facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
  labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for
a range of water depths",
   x = "Water Depth (m)",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (μg/L)"
```

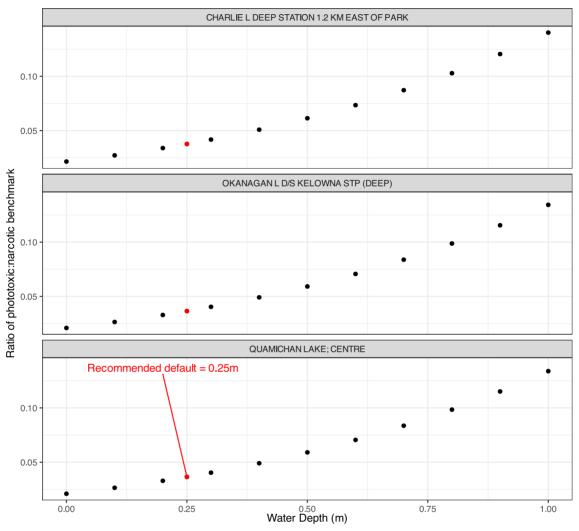
### Phototoxic benchmark for Anthracene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of water depths



```
ggplot(depth_test_a, aes(x = depth_m, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(depth_test_a, depth_m == 0.25),
    colour = "red"
    ) +
    geom_text_repel(
    data = filter(depth_test_a, depth_m == 0.25, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;")
```

```
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.25m",
    nudge_x = -0.05,
    nudge_y = 0.1
) +
    facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
    labs(
        title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Anthracene at 3
sites in B.C. for a range of\nwater depths",
        x = "Water Depth (m)",
        y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```

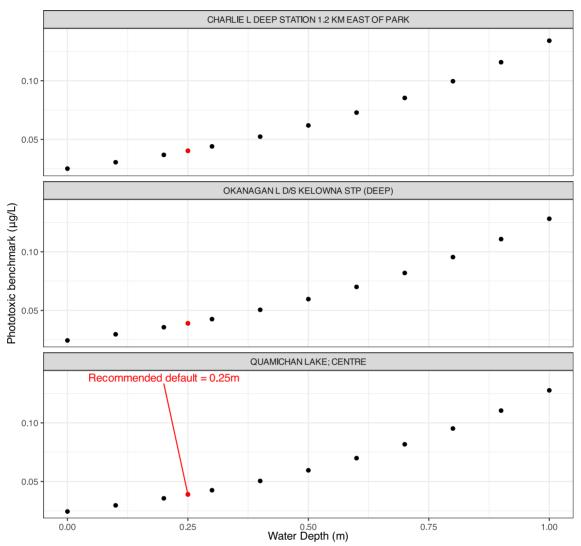




# Effect of varying Water Depth on phototoxic benchmark and ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene

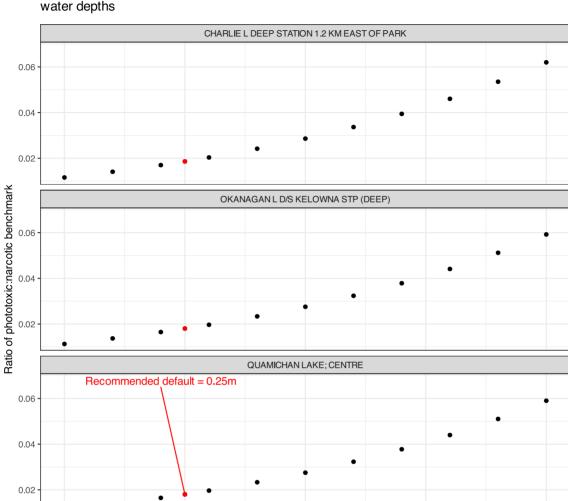
```
ggplot(depth_test_b, aes(x = depth_m, y = phototoxic_benchmark)) +
 geom point() +
 geom point(
    data = filter(depth test b, depth m == 0.25),
    colour = "red"
 ) +
 geom text repel(
   data = filter(depth_test_b, depth_m == 0.25, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.25m",
    nudge_x = -0.05,
    nudge y = 0.1
  facet wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
 labs(
    title = "Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C.
for a range of water depths",
   x = "Water Depth (m)",
    y = "Phototoxic benchmark (\mu g/L)"
  )
```

### Phototoxic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of water depths



```
ggplot(depth_test_b, aes(x = depth_m, y = p_n_ratio)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_point(
    data = filter(depth_test_b, depth_m == 0.25),
    colour = "red"
    ) +
    geom_text_repel(
    data = filter(depth_test_b, depth_m == 0.25, name == "QUAMICHAN LAKE;")
```

```
CENTRE"),
    colour = "red",
    label = "Recommended default = 0.25m",
    nudge_x = -0.05,
    nudge_y = 0.05
) +
facet_wrap(vars(name), ncol = 1) +
labs(
    title = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at
3 sites in B.C. for a range of\nwater depths",
    x = "Water Depth (m)",
    y = "Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark"
)
```



Ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark for Benzo[a]pyrene at 3 sites in B.C. for a range of water depths

## Radiative transfer scheme (nstr)

Number of streams for radiative transfer calculations:

0.25

- If nstr < 2, uses 2-stream delta-Eddington (faster)
- if nstr >= 2, uses n-stream discrete ordinates (more accurate: must be even number, maximum = 32)

0.50 Water Depth (m) 0.75

1.00

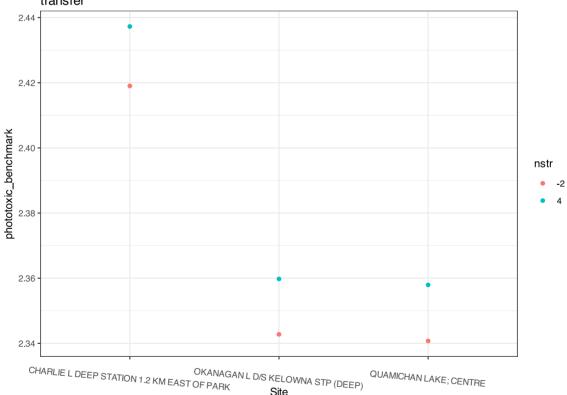
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0.00

```
varying = "nstr",
    vals = c(-2, 4),
    DOC = 5,
    o3_tc = 300,
    tauaer = 0.235) |>
mutate(nstr = factor(nstr))

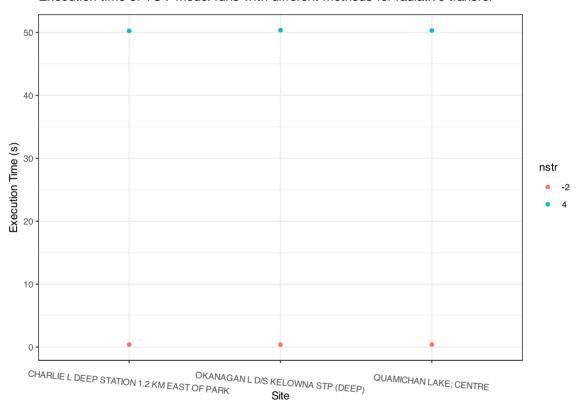
ggplot(out, aes(x = name, y = phototoxic_benchmark, colour = nstr)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(
        title = "Calculated phototoxic benchmark using two different TUV
methods for radiative transfer",
        x = "Site"
    ) +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 355))
```

# Calculated phototoxic benchmark using two different TUV methods for radiative transfer



```
ggplot(out, aes(x = name, y = timing, colour = nstr)) +
  geom_point() +
  labs(
    title = "Execution time of TUV model runs with different methods for
radiative transfer",
    x = "Site",
    y = "Execution Time (s)"
  ) +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 355))
```

#### Execution time of TUV model runs with different methods for radiative transfer



We can see that there are small differences in the calculated phototoxic benchmark when using different values of nstr, with the values when calculated using nstr = -2 being on average 0.73% lower than when using nstr = 4. Using nstr = 4 however, is about 129 times slower than using nstr = -2. In most cases, unless high precision is required, it is likely that using the much faster nstr = -2 should be the default.

### **Methylated Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons**

Absorption spectra for methylated PAHs are not all available from published sources, so it would be beneficial to be able to approximate them for calculating water quality guidelines. In this section we will look at the feasibilty of using the absorbance spectra from a methylated PAH's parent compound as a proxy for the specific spectra. We will do this by calculating the phototoxic benchmark for various methylated PAHs for which we have absorbance spectra, and comparing these values to those calculated using the absorbance spectra of the parent PAH.

For these comparisons we will limit it to just one site in the Okanagan.

```
okanagan <- filter(sites, emsid == "0500236")
```

```
# Define some functions:
ma plot <- function(chemicals) {</pre>
  pahwq:::molar absorption |>
    filter(chemical %in% tolower(chemicals)) |>
    mutate(
      chemical = factor(chemical, levels = tolower(chemicals))
    ggplot(aes(x = wavelength, y = molar absorption, colour = chemical))
    geom point() +
    labs(
    title = paste0("Molar absorption of ", chemicals[1], " and methylated
derivatives").
      y = "Molar absorption (L/mol/cm)"
}
nb plot <- function(chemicals) {</pre>
  pahwq:::nlc50_lookup |>
    filter(chemical %in% tolower(chemicals)) |>
    mutate(
     narcotic benchmark = vapply(chemical, narcotic benchmark, FUN.VALUE
= 1),
      chemical = factor(chemical, levels = tolower(chemicals))
    ggplot(aes(x = log kow, y = narcotic benchmark, colour = chemical))
```

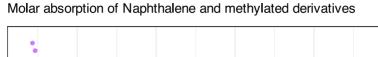
```
geom point() +
    labs(
      title = paste0("Narcotic benchmark of ", chemicals[1], " and its
methylated derivatives"),
      y = "Narcotic benchmark (ug/L)"
}
pb surrogates <- function(chemicals) {</pre>
 multi pb(
  okanagan,
  site = "name".
  pah = chemicals,
  varying = "Kd ref",
  vals = c(1, 150),
  depth m = 0.25
) |>
  group by(Kd ref) |>
  rowwise() |>
  mutate(
    Pabs parent = p abs(tuv res, tolower(chemicals[1])),
    pb parent = phototoxic benchmark(Pabs parent, PAH)
  ) |>
  ungroup() >
  mutate(
    PAH = factor(PAH, levels = chemicals)
  pivot_longer(cols = c(phototoxic_benchmark, pb_parent),
               names_to = "abs_spectra",
               values to = "phototoxic benchmark") |>
  mutate(
    p n ratio = phototoxic benchmark / narcotic benchmark,
    abs spectra = case when(
      abs_spectra == "phototoxic_benchmark" ~ "specific",
      abs spectra == "pb parent" ~ "parent"
  )
}
pb plot <- function(df) {</pre>
ggplot(df, aes(x = PAH, y = phototoxic benchmark, colour = abs spectra))
  geom_point() +
```

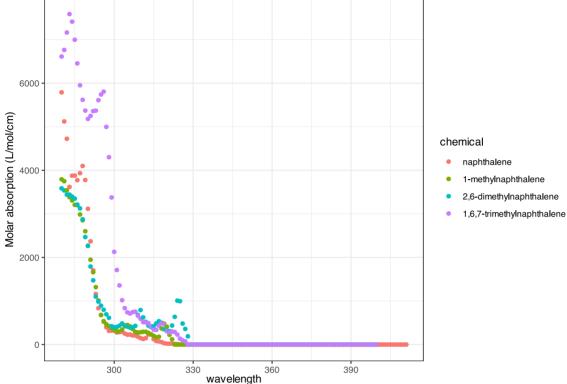
```
facet wrap(vars(Kd ref), ncol = 1, scales = "free y",
            labeller = as labeller(function(x) paste0("Kd(305) = ", x)))
 geom text repel(
   data = filter(df, PAH != chemicals[1]),
   mapping = aes(label = round(p n ratio, 3)),
   show.legend = FALSE
  ) +
 labs(
    title = paste0("Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated ",
chemicals[1], ", using\nspecific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra
of parent compound"),
   y = "Phototoxic benchmark (ug/L)",
   colour = "Absorption spectra used",
    caption = "*Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic
benchmark"
 )
}
```

#### Napthalene

To start, we can examine the molar absorption specra of three methylated Naphthalene derivatives, as compared to unmethylated Naphthalene:

```
chemicals <- c("Naphthalene", "1-Methylnaphthalene", "2,6-
Dimethylnaphthalene", "1,6,7-Trimethylnaphthalene")
ma_plot(chemicals)</pre>
```



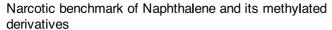


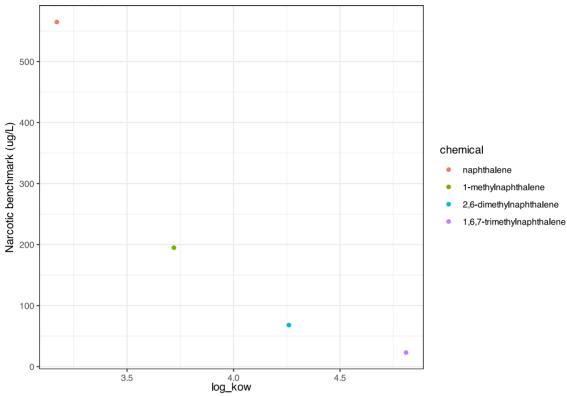
We can see in general that more highly methylated compounds have greater absorption, though it is not consistent across the spectrum.

We can also examine the properties and narcotic toxicity of Naphthalene and its methylated variants:

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nb\_plot(chemicals)



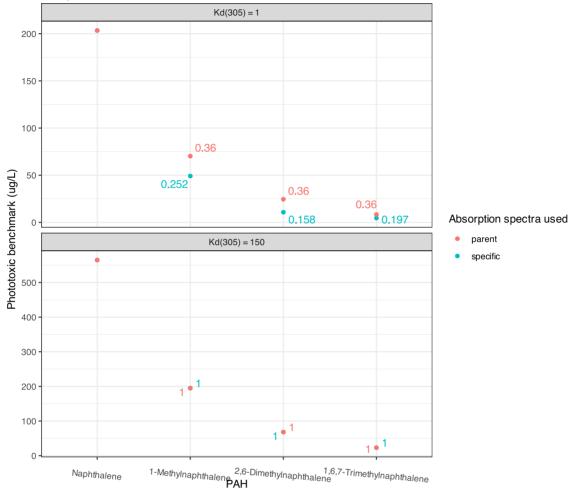


We can see here that 1,6,7-Trimethylnaphthalene has the highest log(KoW) and lowest narcotic benchmark.

Finally, we can compare the phototoxicity (phototoxic benchmark) of Naphthalene and its methylated derivatives at the Okanagan site, at the two values of  $k_{d,305}$  (1 and 150).

```
df <- pb_surrogates(chemicals)
pb_plot(df) +
   theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 355))</pre>
```

Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated Naphthalene, using specific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra of parent compound



\*Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark

Here we can see that a lower phototoxic benchmark (higher phototoxicity) is calculated for all methylated naphthalenes when the absorption spectra of the methylated compound is used, as compared to when that of the parent compound (Naphthalene) is used. This difference is much greater when there is higher light penetration (lower Kd) - which is to be expected, as when there is less light penetration the phototoxic benchmark approaches the narcotic benchmark so the absorption spectra of the chemical becomes irrelevant.

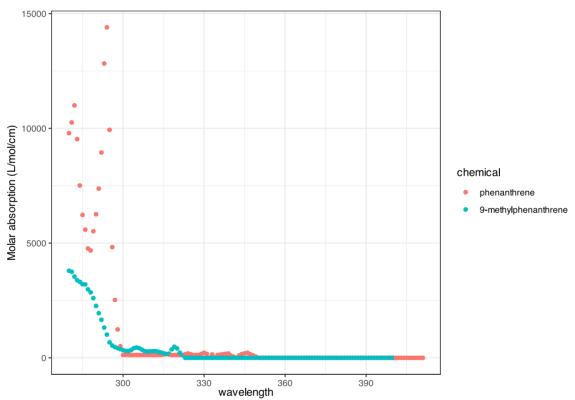
#### **Phenanthrene**

As above, we can visualize the absorption spectra of Phenanthrene and 9-Methylphenanthrene:

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```
chemicals <- c("Phenanthrene", "9-Methylphenanthrene")
ma_plot(chemicals)</pre>
```

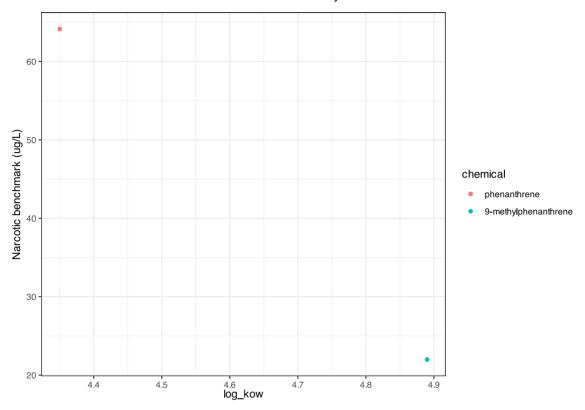




Here we see that the parent compound Phenanthrene has much higher absorption than 9-Methylphenanthrene at the low end of the light spectrum.

```
nb_plot(chemicals)
```

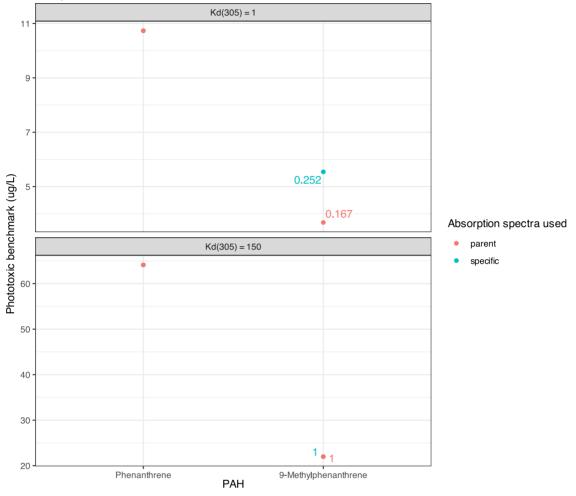
#### Narcotic benchmark of Phenanthrene and its methylated derivatives



9-Methylphenanthrene has higher narcotic toxicity (lower narcotic benchmark) than its parent Phenanthrene.

```
phototoxic_benchark_df_phenanthrene <- pb_surrogates(chemicals)
pb_plot(phototoxic_benchark_df_phenanthrene)</pre>
```

Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated Phenanthrene, using specific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra of parent compound



\*Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark

Using the parent molar absorption spectra for 9-Methylphenanthrene gives a more conservative phototoxic benchmark than using the specific spectra for the methylated compound. This is different than the case for Naphthalene.

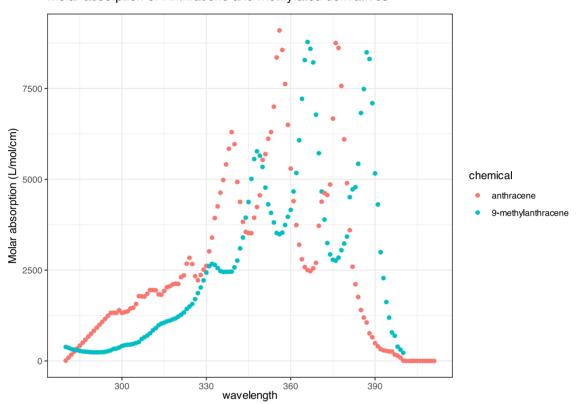
Similar to Naphthalene, this only appears to be substantially different at high light penetration (low Kd(305)).

#### **Anthracene**

As above, we can visualize the absorption spectra of Anthracene and 9-Methylanthracene:

```
chemicals <- c("Anthracene", "9-Methylanthracene")
ma_plot(chemicals)</pre>
```

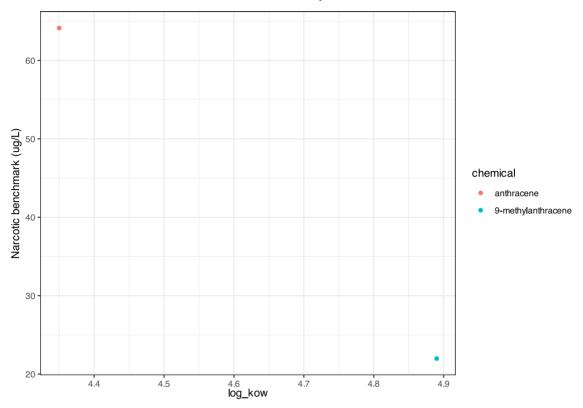
#### Molar absorption of Anthracene and methylated derivatives



The absorption spectra for both Anthracene and 9-Methylanthracene is very broad compared to that of the other PAH compounds.

```
nb_plot(chemicals)
```

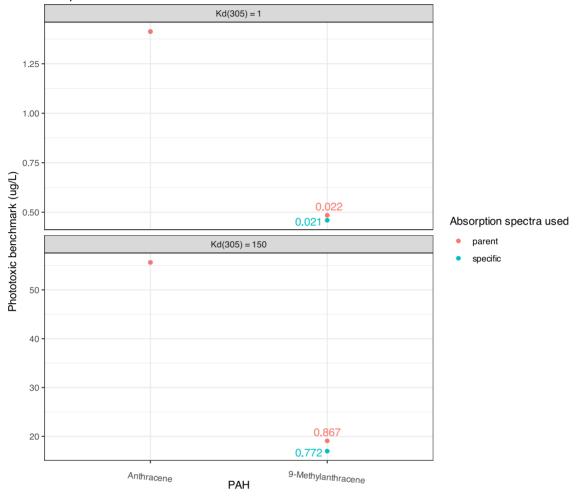




9-Methylanthracene has higher narcotic toxicity (lower narcotic benchmark) than its parent Anthracene.

```
phototoxic_benchmark_df_anthracene <- pb_surrogates(chemicals)
pb_plot(phototoxic_benchmark_df_anthracene) +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 355))</pre>
```

Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated Anthracene, using specific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra of parent compound



\*Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark

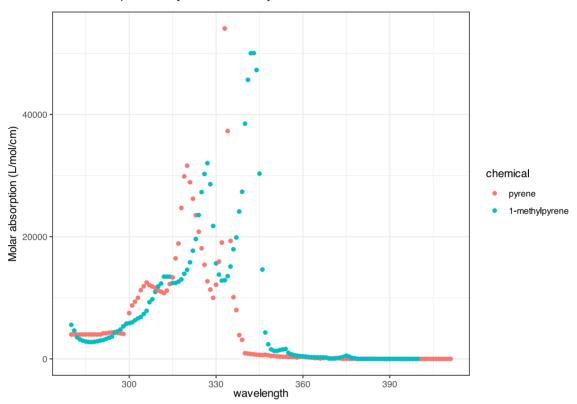
Using the parent absorption spectra for 9-Methylanthracene results in a less conservative phototoxic benchmark than if the specific absorption spectra is used. Contrary to that seen in the other PAHs above, this effect is still quite pronounced at high light attenuation (Kd(305) = 150), presumably because of the broad absorption spectra exhibited by both Anthracene and 9-Methylanthracene.

### **Pyrene**

```
chemicals <- c("Pyrene", "1-Methylpyrene")</pre>
```

### ma\_plot(chemicals)

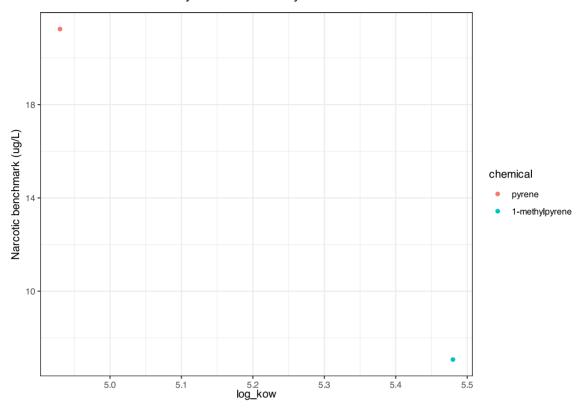
### Molar absorption of Pyrene and methylated derivatives



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nb\_plot(chemicals)

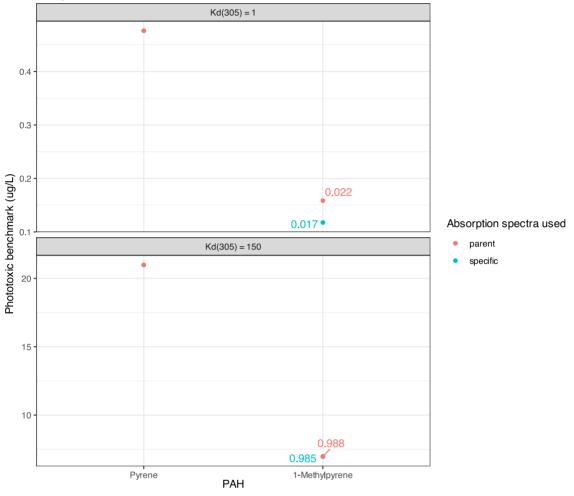
Narcotic benchmark of Pyrene and its methylated derivatives



9-Methylpyrene has higher narcotic toxicity (lower narcotic benchmark) than its parent Pyrene.

```
phototoxic_benchmark_df_pyrene <- pb_surrogates(chemicals)
pb_plot(phototoxic_benchmark_df_pyrene)</pre>
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Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated Pyrene, using specific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra of parent compound

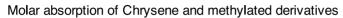


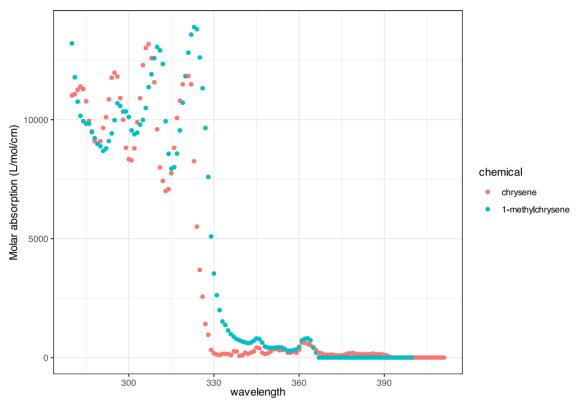
<sup>\*</sup>Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark

Using the parent absorption spectra for 9-Methylpyrene results in a less conservative phototoxic benchmark than if the specific absorption spectra is used.

### Chrysene

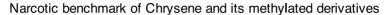
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chemicals <- c("Chrysene", "1-Methylchrysene")
ma_plot(chemicals)</pre>
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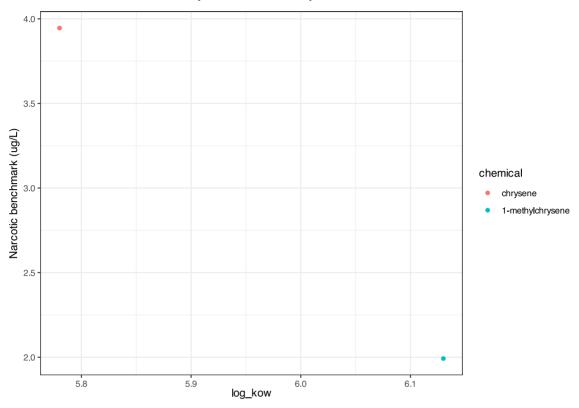




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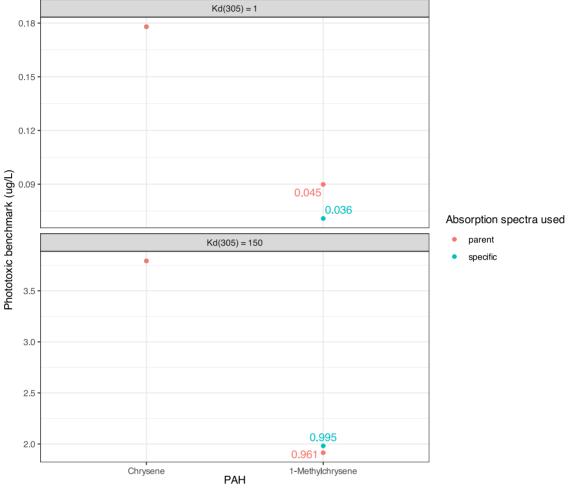




Similar to the other methylated PAHs, 1-Methylchrysene has a lower narcotic benchmark (higher narcotic toxicity) than its parent Chrysene.

```
phototoxic_benchmark_df_chrysene <- pb_surrogates(chemicals)
pb_plot(phototoxic_benchmark_df_chrysene)</pre>
```

Comparison of phototoxic benchmark of methylated Chrysene, using specific absorption spectra vs absorption spectra of parent compound



\*Text labels indicate the ratio of phototoxic:narcotic benchmark

The results for Chrysene and 1-Methylchrysene show that the effect of using the absorbance spectra of a parent compound can be different depending on the light intensity/attenuation. At low light attenuation (Kd(305) = 1), the specific spectra gives a more conservative phototoxic benchmark for 1-Methylchrysene than that obtained using the spectra from Chrysene, while the opposite is true at high light attenuation (Kd(305) = 100).

These results show that substituting the absorption spectra of a parent compound when that of a specific methylated PAH is unknown is possible, but also somewhat complicated. Differences in absorption spectra between methylated PAHs and that of their parent was quite variable across compounds. The difference in the result-

ing calculated phototoxic benchmark is generally quite small and thus it is likely reasonable to use the absorption spectra of a parent when it is not available for a methylated PAH. However, the magnitude and even the sign of the difference is highly variable. In all cases examined, the narcotic benchmark of the methylated compounds was lower than that of the parent compounds (i.e., they are more toxic), however the final phototoxicity (phototoxic benchmark) depended on the differences in the absorption spectra and, in some cases, the level of light attenuation.

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