

Efficient Sensing of PAH Concentrations Using Fluorescence Imaging

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ABSTRACT

- Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) present in combustion particulate matter (PM) e.g. cigarette smoke, can contribute to cardiovascular and respiratory diseases.
- Determining PAH concentration in air pollution samples helps determine toxicity of PM.
- Excitation Emission Matrix (EEM) image analysis is cheap and efficient, and can be used for PAH sensing.
- EEM + Data Analysis can be used to develop data driven sensors for air pollution exposure monitoring.

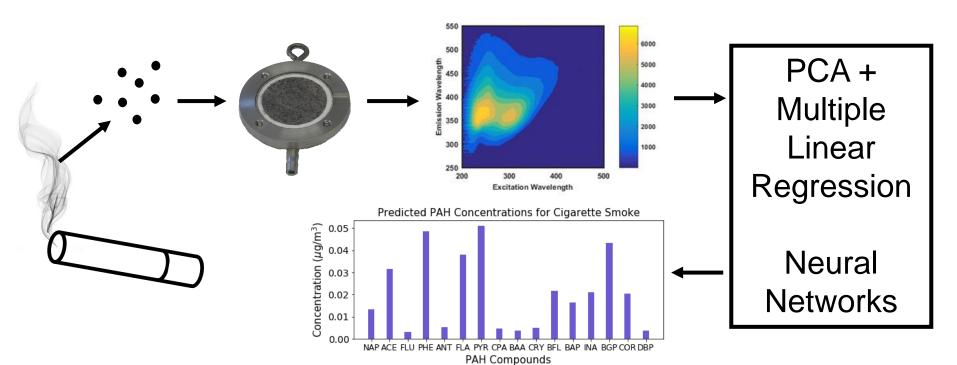


Figure 1. EEM images of PM from sources like cigarette smoke are used to predict concentration of PAH compounds to determine level of toxicity of source particles

DATA COLLECTION METHODS

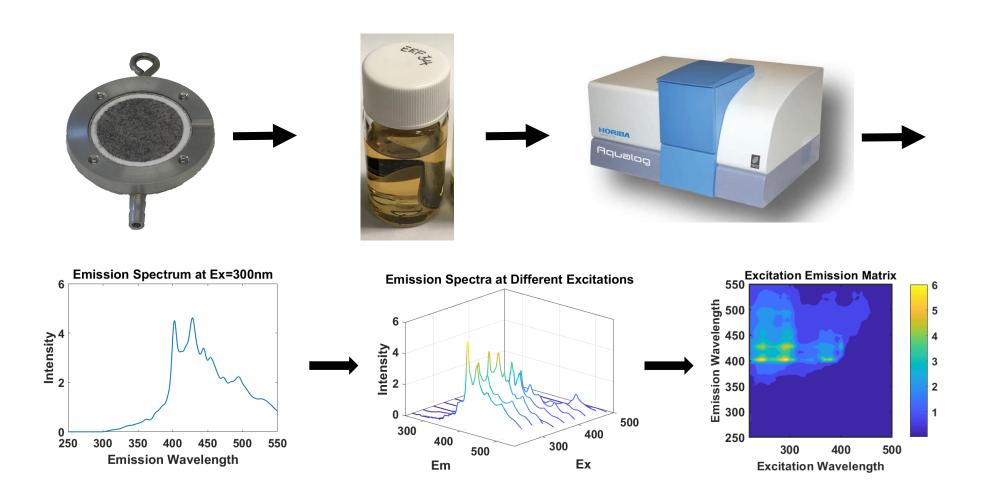


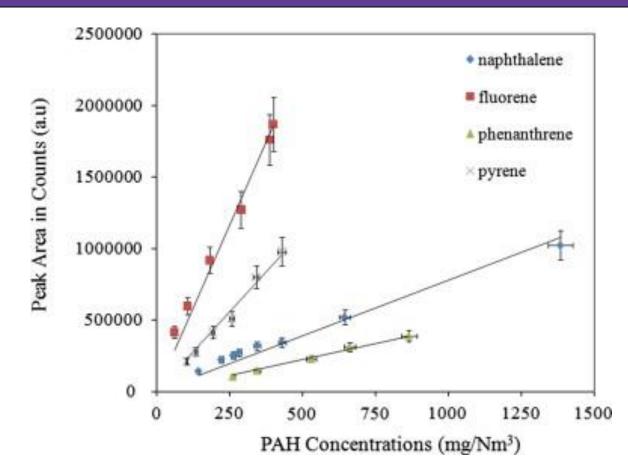
Figure 2. Excitation Emission Matrix (EEM) image sensing has advantages over chromatographic methods as it is quick and requires small volumes of the sample



Figure 3. GCMS is a cumbersome and expensive lab based technique to determine PAH concentrations but is very accurate.

Training model on accurate data using EEM images can help develop data driven sensing without the need of GCMS measurements

GENERATING DATA FROM EXISTING DATA



*Figure 4. Fluorescence Intensity of EEM images is directly proportional to concentration of PAHs

$$F_p = \sum_{i=1}^{16} k_i C_i + b_p$$

 F_p is the fluorescence intensity at pixel p of EEM, C_i is concentration of *i'th* PAH, k_i is the weight for *i'th* PAH and b_p is pixel constant. Note: constant vary between EEMs

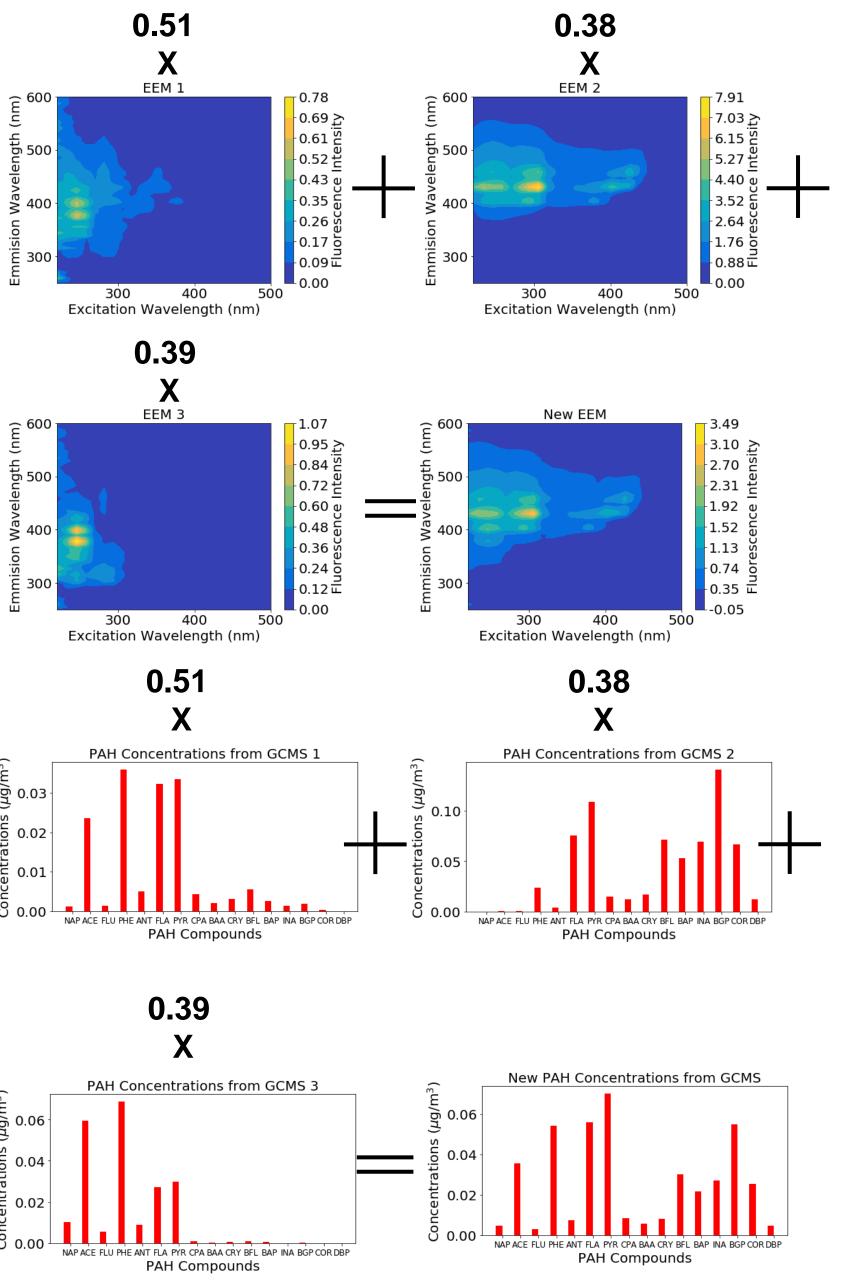


Figure 5. We create 600 training images and labels using 15 original images and labels. We create 150 test images and labels using 5 original images and labels

*Sun, Renhui, et al. "Analysis of gas-phase polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon mixtures by laser-induced fluorescence." *Optics and Lasers in Engineering* 48.12 (2010): 1231-1237.

PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS +MULTIPLE LINEAR REGRESSION

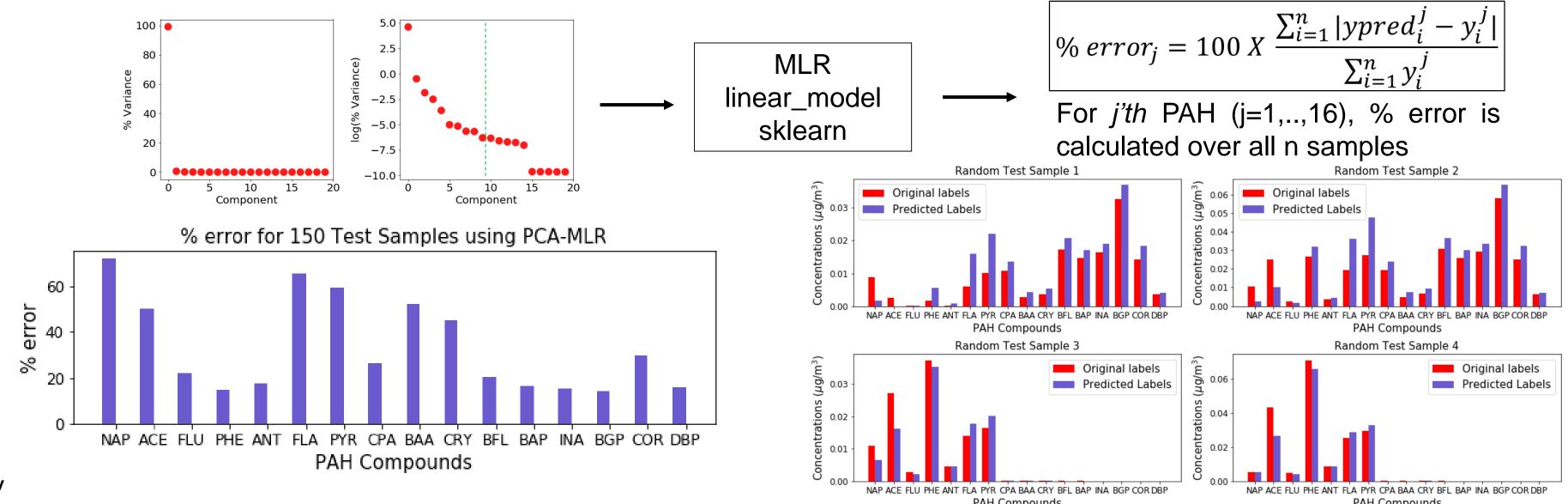
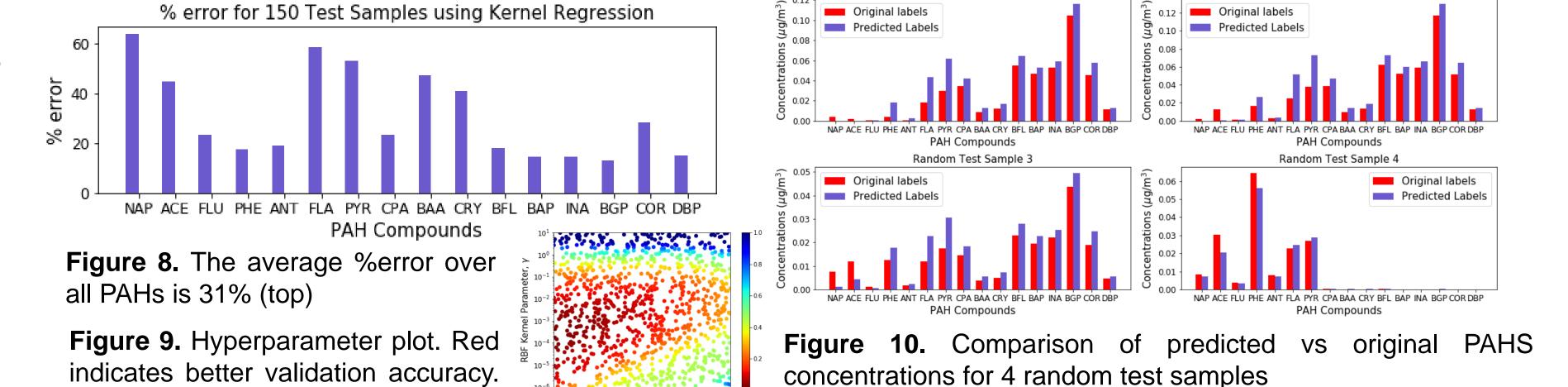


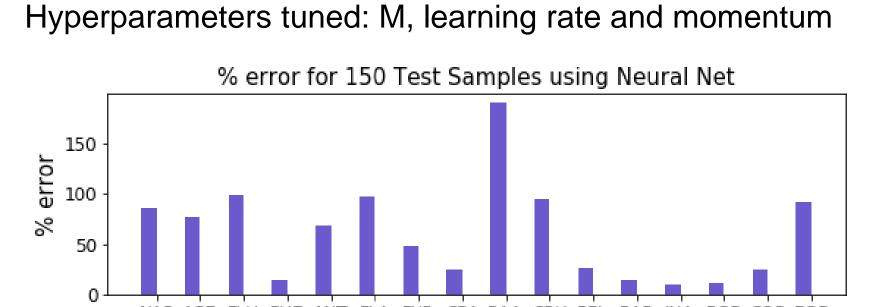
Figure 6. We choose d=10 from variance plots The average %error over all PAHs is 34%

Figure 7. Comparison of predicted vs original PAHS concentrations for 4 random test samples



KERNEL REGRESSION





HIDDEN n x M OUTPUT

Figure 11. The average %error over all PAHs is 61%

Random Test Sample 1 Original labels Predicted Labels Predicted Labels NAP ACE FLU PHE ANT FLA PYR CPA BAA CRY BFL BAP INA BGP COR DBP PAH Compounds Random Test Sample 2 Original labels Predicted Labels NAP ACE FLU PHE ANT FLA PYR CPA BAA CRY BFL BAP INA BGP COR DBP PAH Compounds Random Test Sample 2 Original labels Predicted Labels Original labels Predicted Labels

Figure 12. Comparison of predicted vs original PAHS concentrations for 4 random test samples

CONCLUSIONS

PAH Compounds

- 3 models trained and tested on EEM image data to predict of PAH concentrations obtained from GCMS
- Average %error on test set
- PCA+MLR: 34%
- KR: 31%

(right)

- Single Layer Neural Networks: 61%
- EEM is indicative of PAH concentration in combustion generated aerosols and can be used to develop low cost, compact toxicity sensors

FUTURE WORK

- Implement EEM + Machine Learning on real mixed soot samples to predict PAH concentrations
- Implement EEM + Machine Learning on data from different sources

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