### Source Identification of PM<sub>2.5</sub> in Steubenville, Ohio Using a Hybrid Method for Highly Time-resolved Data

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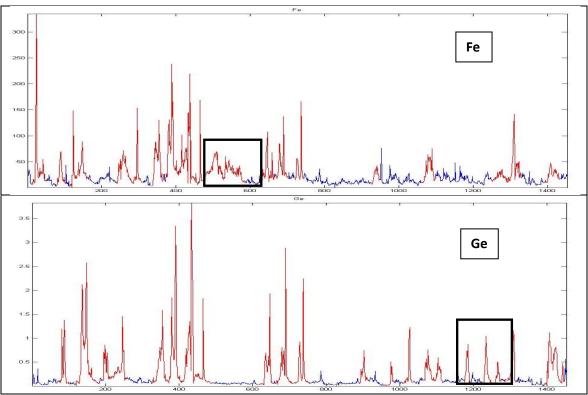
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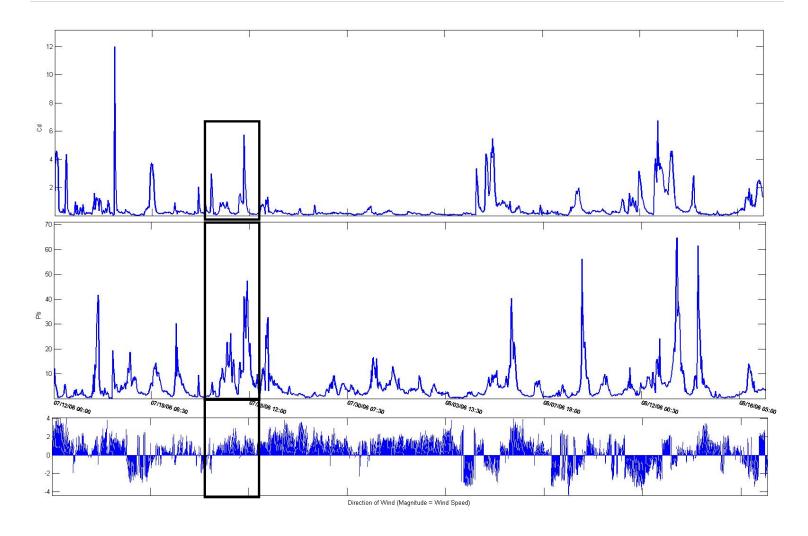
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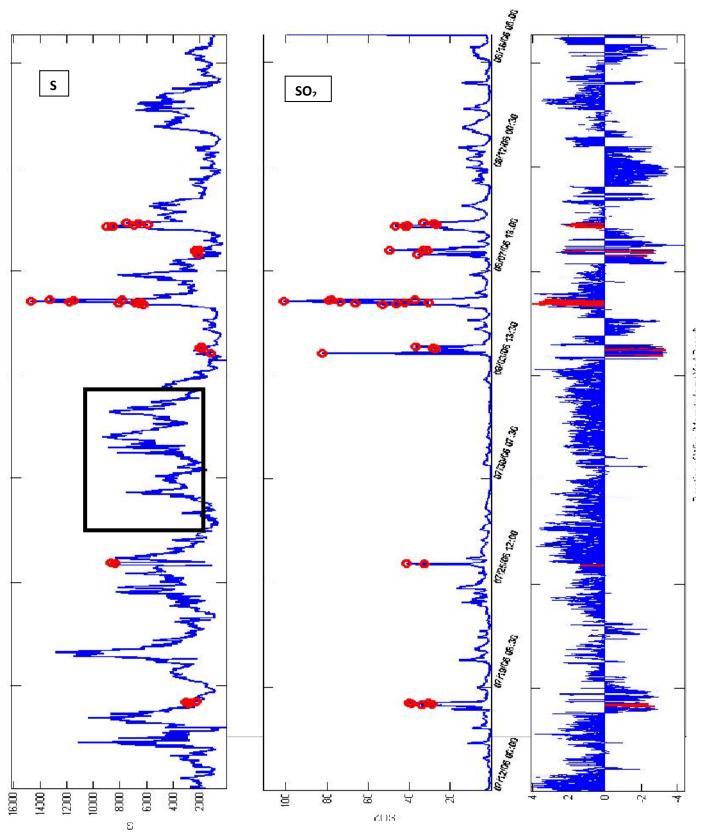
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		Standard	25 <sup>th</sup>		75 <sup>th</sup>
Species	Mean	Deviation	25 Percentile	Median	percentile
Dle	0.16			0.12	0.17
Rb	0.16	0.18	0.09	0.12	
Sr	0.56	0.36	0.33	0.45	0.68
Mo	0.94	1.61	0.14	0.39	1.01
Cd	0.53	0.90	0.12	0.21	0.50
Ва	2.63	1.77	1.67	2.24	3.12
La	0.11	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.15
Ce	0.14	0.07 0.09		0.12	0.17
Sm	0.02		0.01	0.02	0.03
Pb	5.21	6.99	1.51	3.12	5.93
Mg	21.59	16.99	11.31	15.36	26.17
Al	31.69	41.23	12.85	20.64	35.85
S	3081.11	2102.85	1442.12	2593.75	4182.74
Ti	0.85	0.89	0.36	0.56	0.98
V	1.21	1.65	0.37	0.64	1.29
Cr	0.45	1.56	0.15	0.25	0.47
Mn	3.78	3.64	1.67	2.45	4.53
Fe	24.69	25.65	11.20	17.79	27.80
Ni	0.49	2.59	0.09	0.16	0.31
Cu	2.68	3.15	1.08	1.78	3.05
Zn	37.17	99.35	7.21	12.41	26.28
K	49.27	48.55	26.58	37.31	53.40
Ge	0.22	0.36	0.06	0.10	0.19
As	1.26	1.20	0.52	0.81	1.53
Se	2.09	3.16	0.93	1.48	2.29
SO <sub>2</sub>	4.29	8.11	0.96	2.08	4.33
NO <sub>x</sub>	13.73	10.84	5.69	9.48	20.22
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	28.38	15.05	17.02	26.17	37.46

SI Table 1: Summary of Steubenville SEAS-III  $PM_{2.5}$  species concentrations used in Rescue and Unmix analysis. All values are ppb except  $PM_{2.5}$  ( $\mu g \ m^{-3}$ ).

	10%	10% SRM 1640 analysis				2% SRM1643 analysis			
Element	Mean (ppb)	±	RSD* (%)	Error (%)	Mean(ppb)	±	RSD* (%)	Error (%)	
Al	5.66	±	21.07	8.9	2.90	±	2.79	2.2	
As	2.66	±	5.48	0.4	1.20	±	3.71	0.8	
Ba	14.19	±	4.17	4.1	10.40	±	1.29	4.5	
Be	3.53	±	5.00	0.9	0.29	±	4.50	2.7	
Bi	0.04	±	55.91		0.27	±	3.14	4.7	
Ca	687.39	±	4.44	2.4	606.94	±	2.88	6.0	
Cd	2.24	±	4.35	1.7	0.13	±	2.12	2.6	
Со	2.02	±	4.07	0.3	0.54	±	3.00	0.3	
Cr	3.73	±	4.71	3.4	0.42	±	3.15	2.9	
Cu	8.62	±	4.70	1.1	0.46	±	2.79	2.1	
Fe	3.11	±	8.08	9.3	2.01	±	3.44	2.5	
K	94.42	±	5.25	5.0	41.95	±	3.10	3.1	
Mg	583.66	±	4.51	0.3	161.69	±	3.42	0.6	
Mn	12.21	±	4.86	0.5	0.80	±	3.02	2.5	
Мо	4.62	±	5.05	1.1	2.53	±	2.23	4.3	
Na	3020.69	±	4.97	2.9	425.53	±	3.75	2.6	
Ni	2.69	±	4.08	1.7	1.20	±	2.44	3.7	
Pb	2.63	±	4.05	5.6	0.37	±	1.76	5.2	
Rb	0.22	±	8.36	12.1	0.30	±	2.85	6.0	
Sb	1.33	±	4.97	3.9	1.14	±	2.42	2.0	
Se	2.22	±	5.97	1.2	0.24	±	13.72	0.9	
Si	505.23	±	5.67	6.8	0.60				
Sr	12.19	±	6.40	1.9	6.61	±	3.38	2.3	
٧	1.32	±	4.44	1.6	0.77	±	2.91	1.9	
Zn	5.38	±	4.65	1.2	1.57	±	3.22	1.2	

<sup>\*</sup>Average and relative standard deviation (n = 25) from eight different sequences of analysis.

SI Table 2: EPA HR-ICPMS NIST Standard Reference Material (SRM) recovery summary for 1640a (Trace Elements in Natural Water) and 1643e (Trace Elements in Water) analyzed with Steubenville SEAS-III samples.

Base Species	ReSCUE based species clusters	Simple-correlation based species cluster
PM <sub>2.5</sub> Mass	S, Se	S
S	PM <sub>2.5</sub> Mass, Se, SO2, Fe	$PM_{2.5}$ Mass
K	<b>Rb</b> , <b>Mg</b> , <b>Fe</b> , <b>Zn</b> , <b>Mn</b> , <b>La</b> , Ce, Ge, Cu, Cd, NO <sub>x</sub> , As, Ni, Ba,	Rb
Zn	<b>Rb</b> , <b>Mn</b> , <b>K</b> , <b>Fe</b> , <b>Mg</b> , Ge, NO <sub>x</sub> , La, Ce,	<b>Rb</b> , Mn
Al	Sr, Mg	
Fe	Ge, Rb, K, Mn, Mg, Zn, La, Cu, Ce, Cr, Ni, NO <sub>x</sub> , Ba, S, Sr, Pb, As	Mn, Rb, Mg, Ge
Mg	Mn, Sr, Rb, K, Fe, Zn, Ge, Ce, NO <sub>x</sub> , Ba, La, Al	<b>Sr</b> , <b>Mn</b> , Rb, Fe
$NO_X$	La, Ce, Rb, Mn, Ge, Mg, As, K, Zn, Fe, Ti, Ba, V	Rb
Pb	Cu,SO <sub>2</sub> ,Fe	
$SO_2$	Se, S, Pb	Se
Mn	Rb, Mg, Ge, Zn, NO <sub>x</sub> ,K, Fe, Ce, La, Sr	Mg, Rb, Ge, Zn, Fe
Cu	Fe, K, Ge, Pb, Ce, La, Rb	
Ba	Fe, NO <sub>X</sub> , Mg, Cr, Ni, Sr, K, Cd, Rb	
Se	SO <sub>2</sub> ,S,PM Fine	$\mathrm{SO}_2$
As	La, NO <sub>x</sub> , Rb, Ge, Ce, V, K, Cd, Fe	
V	$Ti$ , $As$ , $Cr$ , $Mo$ , $NO_x$	
Mo	Cr, V, Ti	
Ti	$V$ , $NO_x$ , $Mo$	
Sr	<b>Mg</b> , Mn, Al, Ce, Ba, Fe, Ge, Rb, Zn, K, NO <sub>x</sub>	Mg
Cd	K, As, Ba	
Ni	Cr, Fe, K, Ba, Mo	Cr
Cr	Ni, Fe, Mo, V, Ba, La	Ni
Ge	Rb, Mn, Fe, NO <sub>x</sub> , Ce, La, Mg, Zn, K, Cu, As, Sr	Rb, Mn, Fe
Rb	Zn, Mn, K, Ge, Mg, La, NO <sub>x</sub> , Fe, Ce, As, Cu, Ba, Cd	$\mathbf{Zn}$ , $\mathbf{K}$ , $\mathbf{Mn}$ , $\mathbf{Ge}$ , $\mathbf{Mg}$ , $\mathbf{Fe}$ , $\mathbf{NO}_{\mathbf{X}}$
Ce	La, NO <sub>x</sub> , Rb, Ge, Fe, K, Mg, Mn, As, Cu, Zn, Sr, Sm	La
La	Ce, NO <sub>x</sub> , Rb, Ge, K, Fe, As, Mn, Cu, Zn, Mg, Cr	Ce
Sm	Ce	

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## **Episode Finding Algorithm**

Matlab Code for identifying episodes and associating NaN (Not a Number - IEEE convention) to those values that do not fall within the episodes. Matlab version 2013A was utilized for all analysis detailed in this manuscript.

```
for specNum = 1:size(data,2)
    % Smooth the funtion first so peaks are easily found.
    filterData = filtfilt([1 0 1]/2,1,data(:,specNum));
    windowSize = 6;
    % The next two lines of code smoothes out data just enough to help identify
    % the start and end points of episodes. Care should be exercised so that
    % the smoothing technique only removes noisy substructures and not entire episodes.
    % In order to find robust episodes, a spline smoothing is applied to the time series.
    % This helps eliminate small scale variations from being identified as episodes.
    % The smoothed out curve is used only to identify the so-called "valley points" that
    % define episodes. This is the only use of the smoothed curve and is not part of any
    % further computation.
    filterData = filtfilt(ones(1,windowSize)/windowSize,1,data(:,specNum));
    fullFiltSplined = csaps(1:length(data),filterData,0.96,1:length(data));
    lowVals = find(fullFiltSplined(nanVals)prctile(data(:,specNum),25));
    fullFiltSplined(lowVals) = NaN;
    [peaks,locs] = findpeaks(fullFiltSplined,'minpeakheight',...
                        prctile(data(:,specNum),75), 'minpeakdistance',3);
    if isempty(peaks)
        continue
    end
    % Use the peaks to find the episodes
    diffVals = diff(fullFiltSplined(1:locs(1)));
    secondVal = find(diffVals(end-1:-1:1)<0,1,'first');</pre>
    if ~isempty(secondVal)
        prevBegin = locs(1)-secondVal;
    else
        prevBegin = 1;
    end
    for i = 1:length(locs)-1
        diffVals = diff(fullFiltSplined(locs(i):locs(i+1)));
        firstVal = find(diffVals>0,1,'first');
        episodicEnd = locs(i)+firstVal-1;
        while fullFiltSplined(episodicEnd) > prctile(fullFiltSplined,75)
            diffVals(1:firstVal) = [];
            firstVal = find(diffVals>0,1,'first');
            episodicEnd = episodicEnd+firstVal;
        end
        if length(diffVals) < 5</pre>
            continue
        end
        firstNaN = find(isnan(diffVals(end-1:-1:1)),6,'first');
        secondVal = find(diffVals(end-1:-1:1)<-0.00001,1,'first');</pre>
        if ~isempty(firstNaN) & firstNaN(end) < secondVal</pre>
            episodicBegin = locs(i+1) - firstNaN(1)+1;
            secondVal = firstNaN;
        else
            episodicBegin = locs(i+1)-secondVal;
            while fullFiltSplined(episodicBegin) > prctile(fullFiltSplined,75)
                diffVals(end-secondVal:end) = [];
                secondVal = find(diffVals(end-1:-1:1)<0,1,'first');</pre>
                episodicBegin = episodicBegin-secondVal;
            end
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end
        if episodicEnd - prevBegin < 5 & i > 1
            episodicBegin = round(mean([prevBegin episodicEnd]));
            episodicEnd = episodicBegin;
            prevBegin = episodicBegin;
            continue
        end
        episodicPair{specNum,j} = [prevBegin episodicEnd];
        included = [included prevBegin:episodicEnd];
        j = j + 1;
        prevBegin = episodicBegin;
    end
    diffVals = diff(fullFiltSplined(locs(end):end));
    firstVal = find(diffVals>0,1,'first');
    if isempty(firstVal)
        episodicEnd = length(fullFiltSplined);
    else
        episodicEnd = locs(end)+firstVal-1;
    end
    episodicPair{specNum,j} = [prevBegin episodicEnd];
    included = [included prevBegin:episodicEnd];
    included = unique(included);
    excluded = setdiff([1:size(data,1)],included);
    episodicData(excluded,specNum) = NaN;
end
```

## **ReSCUE Algorithm**

```
clear varGroup varGroupNum varGroupVal
strongCut = 0.75;
weakCut = 0.60;
veryStrongCut = 0.80;
veryStrongStrong = 0.85;
veryStrongWeak = 0.70;
aveCut = 0.45;
colNum = 0;
for i = 1:length(drivers)
    strong = find(roundn(values(:,i),-2)>=strongCut);
    weak = setdiff(find(roundn(values(:,i),-2)>=weakCut),strong);
    grouping = [i indices(strong,i)'];
    grouping = [grouping indices(weak,i)'];
    strongGroupVal = nansum(values(strong,i));
    weakGroupVal = nansum(values(weak,i));
    strongVars = selectedTitles(indices(strong,i));
    veryStrong = find(roundn(values(:,i),-2)>=veryStrongCut);
    alsoStrong = [];
    for j = 1:length(veryStrong)
        currVar = indices(veryStrong(j),i);
        alsoStrong = setdiff(indices(find(roundn(values(:,currVar),-2)>=...
                            veryStrongStrong),currVar),grouping);
        grouping = [grouping indices(alsoStrong,currVar)'];
        alsoWeak = setdiff(find(indices(roundn(values(:,currVar),-2)>=...
                            veryStrongWeak),currVar),grouping);
        grouping = [grouping indices(alsoWeak,currVar)'];
        strongGroupVal = strongGroupVal + nansum(values(alsoStrong,currVar));
    end
    [uniqueGroup,index,uniqueIndex] = unique(grouping,'first');
    colNum = colNum + 1;
    varGroup{colNum} = [selectedTitles(grouping(sort(index)))]';
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varGroupVal(1,colNum) = strongGroupVal;
varGroupVal(2,colNum) = weakGroupVal;
varGroupNum(1,colNum) = length(strong)+length(alsoStrong);
varGroupNum(2,colNum) = length(unique(grouping)) - varGroupNum(1,colNum) - 1;
end
```

# **Determining Episodic Correlations (ESC) - Logic**

Episodic correlations (ESCs) between columns j and k are calculated by:

- (1) finding those rows i where both X(i,j) and X(i,k) belong to their respective episodes.
- (2) if there are no such rows, ESC(j,k)=0
- (3) if there are such rows, then the Pearson correlation are calculated using only those rows (i). Such correlation is the desired ESC(j,k).
- (4) the number N, present in their equation (1), is the number of rows where both X(i,j) and X(i,k) belong to their respective episodes. This number is generally different for all combinations of j and k.