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Splash, Spray and Hydroplaning 101
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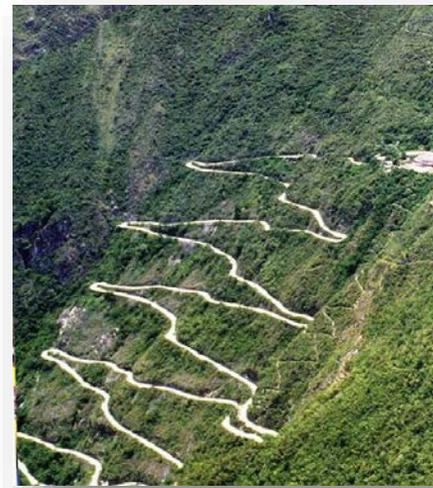


1. Introduction



Road Evolution

- 1st Generation ⇒ Track
- 2nd Generation ⇒ Paved road
- 3rd Generation ⇒ Smooth road (comfort)
- 4th Generation ⇒ Highway (safe & efficient)
- 5th Generation ⇒ Smart, Sustainable and Resilient roads & highways



<https://www.outlookindia.com/newswire/story/ancient-inca-roads-win-world-heritage-status/845860>



<http://www.romeacrosseurope.com/?p=5417#sthash.ocgeu6wg.dpbs>



Paving Pennsylvania Avenue (1870's)



Virginia Smart Road (1999)

Adapted from the
FEHRL Concept for



What is the function of the Road?

What does the use want/expect?

- ✓ **Mobility**
- ✓ **Access**
- ✓ **Safety**
- ✓ **Comfort**
- ✓ Fast & Reliable Travel
- ✓ Energy Efficient
- ✓ Low pollution / Low noise
- ✓ Renewable



Economic Development

Social Equity

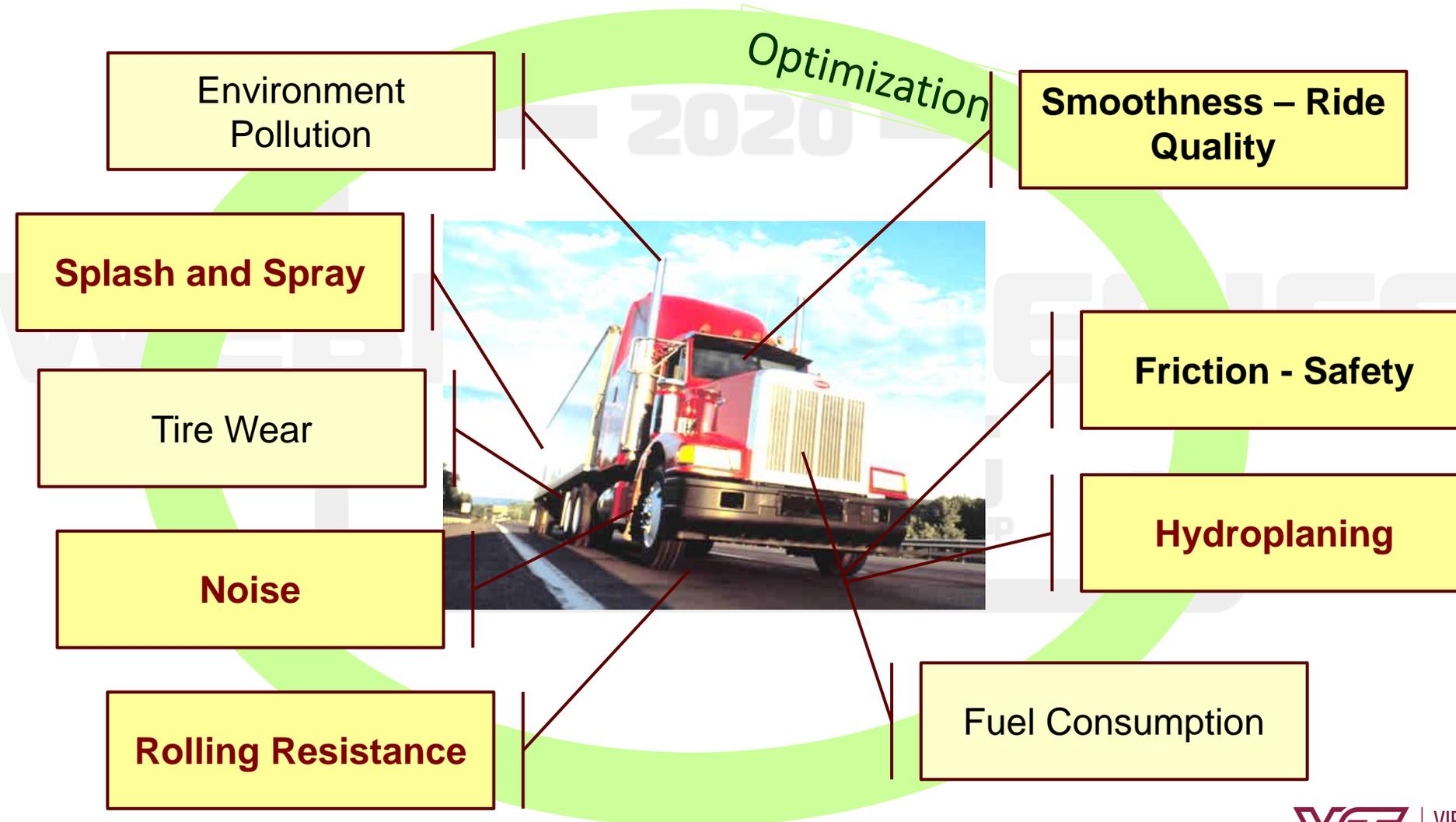
Environmental Protection

Sustainable Infrastructure

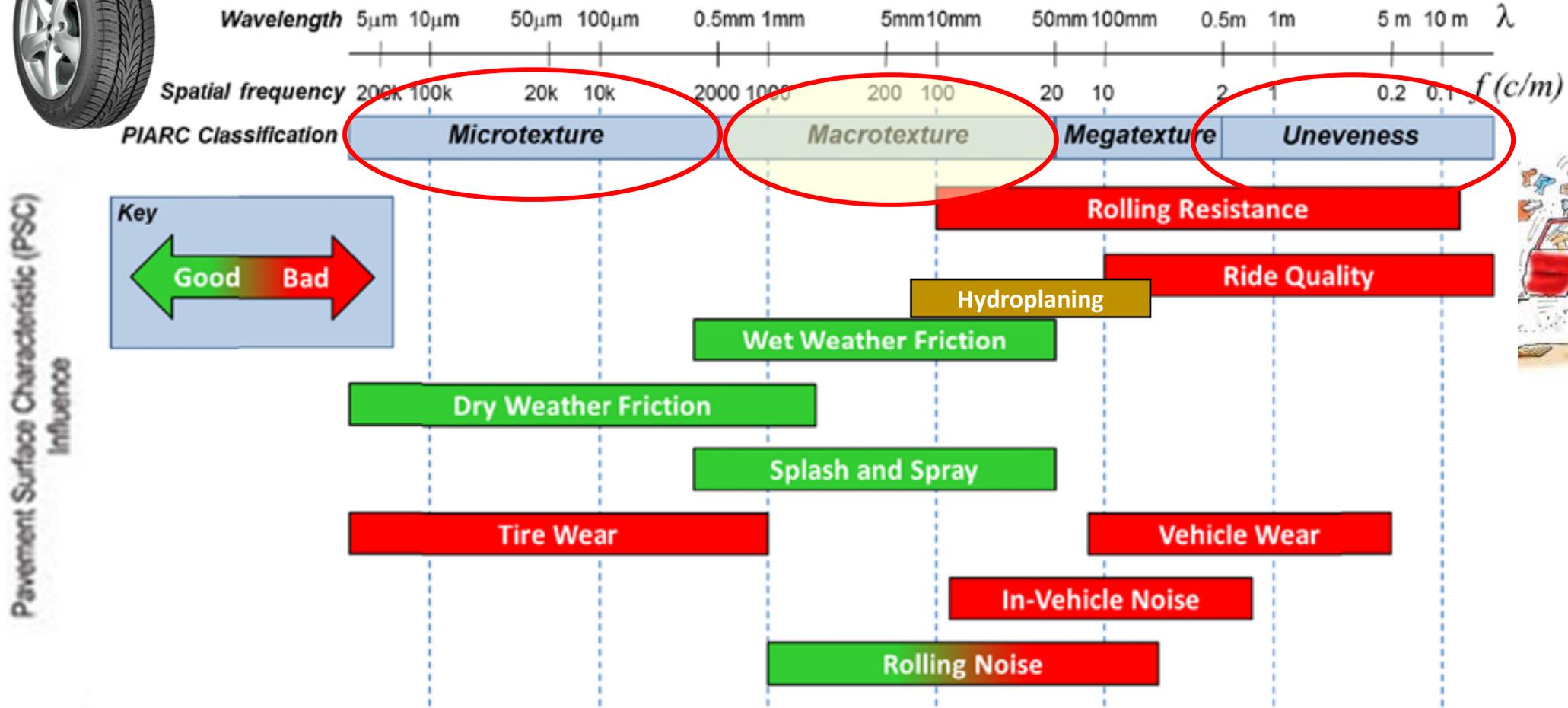
Focus on the User

...
→ **Level of Service (Performance)**

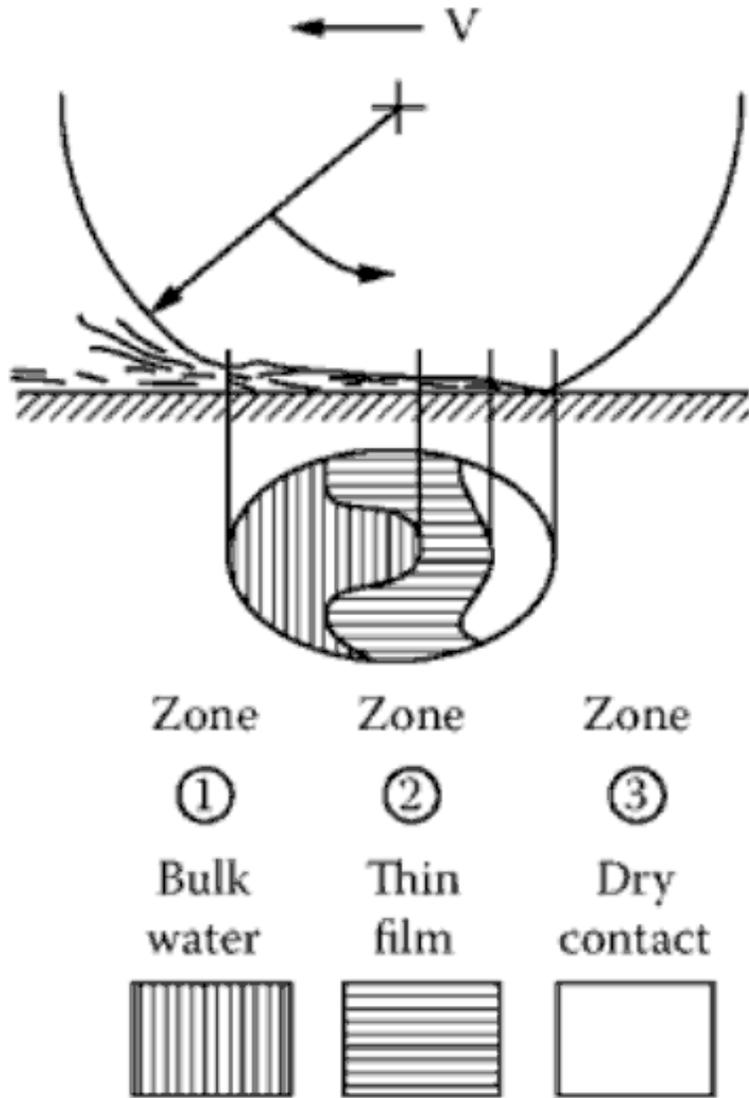
Vehicle (Tire) / Road (Pavement) Interaction



Pavement Texture – PIARC Classification and Impact on Pavement Vehicle Interaction



Tire/Pavement Interface – Three Zone Concept



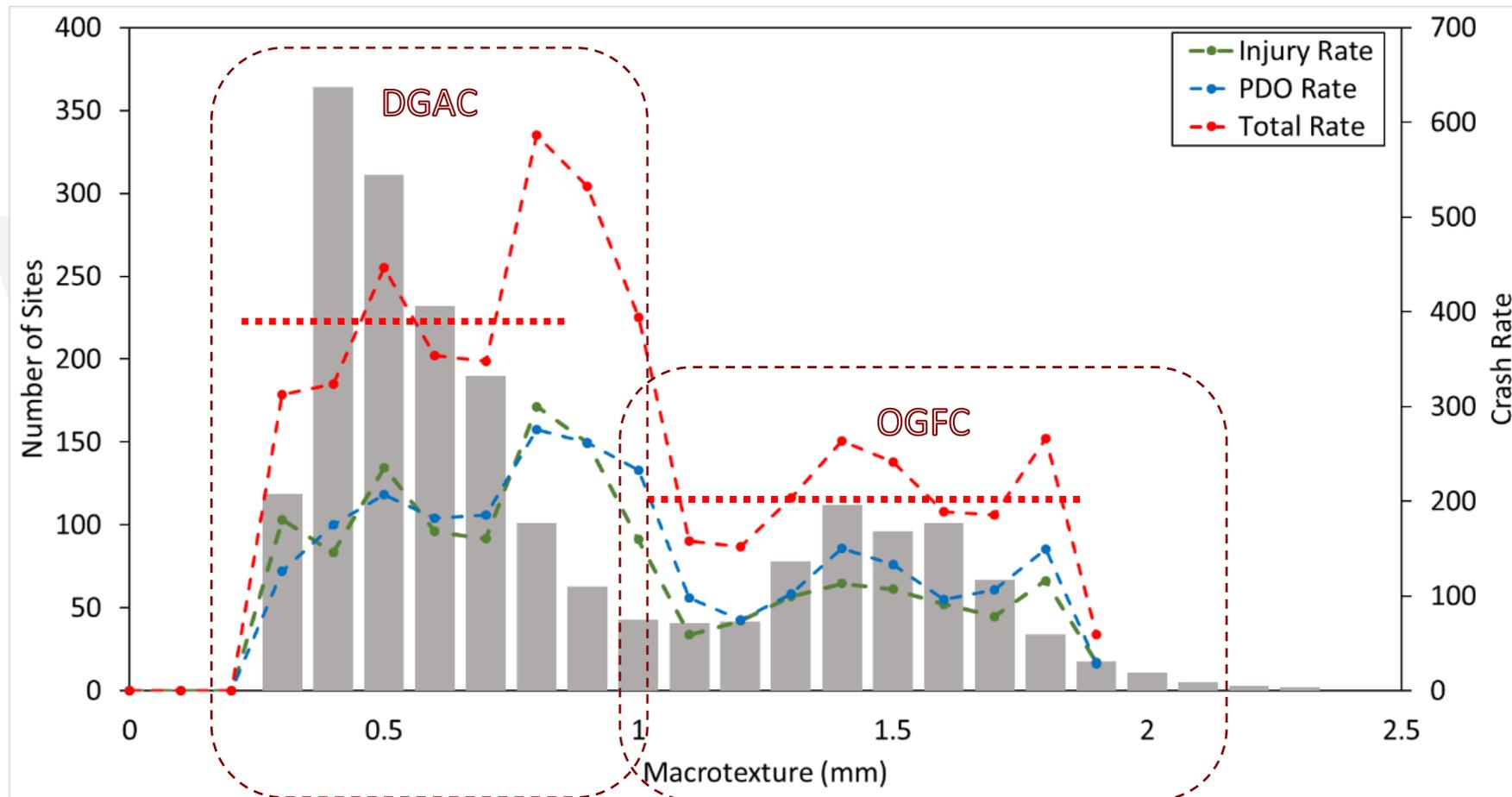
1. Macrotexture

2. Microtexture

3. Dry Contact

Smith, R. (2008). *Analyzing Friction in the Design of Rubber Products and Their Paired Surfaces*. London: CRC Press

Example of the Effect of Texture on Crash Rate

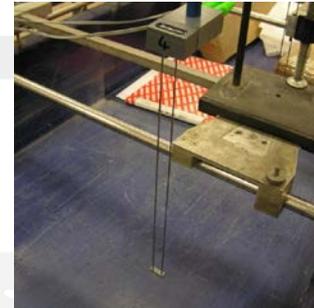
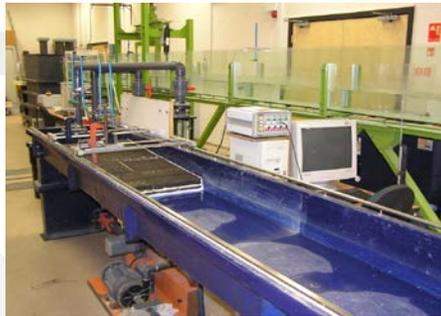


2. Water Accumulation



Measuring/Predicting Water Film Thickness

✓ Lab Measurements



✓ Field Measurements



✓ Modeling



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Examples of Water Accumulation Models

Table 1. Overview of previous and current models.

Models	Input	Description	Functions
<u>TXDOT</u> (1971)	Cross slope Macrotecture Rain intensity	1D empirical equations	$d = 3.38 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{1}{T}\right)^{-0.11} L^{0.43} I^{0.59} \left(\frac{1}{S}\right)^{0.42} - T$
<u>PAVDRN</u> (1997)	Cross slope Draining length Pavement Permeability Rain intensity	1D wave equations based on kinematic approximation conservation of mass and momentum	$WFT = \left(\frac{n \times L \times I}{36.1 \times S_x^{0.5}}\right) - MTD$
<u>TXDOT</u> (2008)	Cross slope Draining length Longitudinal slope Rain intensity	2D wave equations based on <u>Navier-Stokes</u> equation	$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial q_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial q_y}{\partial y} - r = 0$ $\frac{\partial q_x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{q_x^2}{h} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{q_x q_y}{h} \right) + gh \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + S_{fx} - S_{ex} \right) = 0$ $\frac{\partial q_y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{q_y^2}{h} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{q_x q_y}{h} \right) + gh \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} + S_{fy} - S_{ey} \right) = 0$
<u>NCHRP</u> 15-55	Cross slope Draining length Longitudinal slope Macrotecture Pavement characteristics Rain intensity	3D full <u>Navier-Stokes</u> equations	$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_y)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_z)}{\partial z} = 0$ $\frac{\partial(\rho u_x)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x^2)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x u_y)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x u_z)}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \rho g_x = \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{xx}}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{xy}}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{xz}}}{\partial z}$ $\frac{\partial(\rho u_y)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x u_y)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_y^2)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_y u_z)}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \rho g_y = \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{xy}}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{yy}}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{yz}}}{\partial z}$ $\frac{\partial(\rho u_z)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x u_z)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_y u_z)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_z^2)}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \rho g_z = \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{xz}}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{yz}}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \overline{\tau_{zz}}}{\partial z}$

Splash–Spray Assessment Tool Development Program Water Film Thickness Model

1. Lab Work

Material	Texture (mm)
Stone Mastic Asphalt	0.549
Asphaltic Concrete	0.633
Porous Asphalt	1.644
Tined Concrete	1.011
Smooth Concrete	0.208
Perspex	0.001



2. Generic Formula

$$d = k T^w (LI)^y S^z$$

d = Water depth (m)

T = texture (mm)

L = drainage length (m)

I = rainfall intensity (m/h)

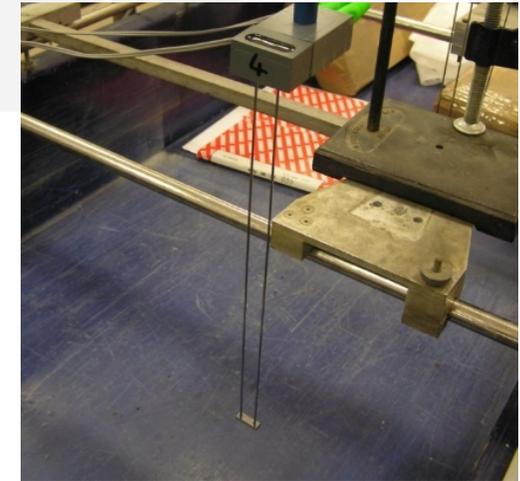
S = slope

w, x, y, z, w, k = regression coefficients

(k incorporates Manning's coefficient)

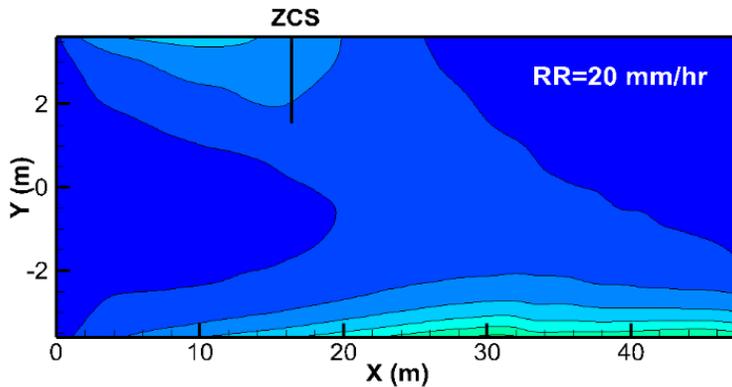
3. Calibrated Formula

$$d = 6 \times 10^{-4} T^{0.09} (LI)^{0.6} S^{-0.33}$$

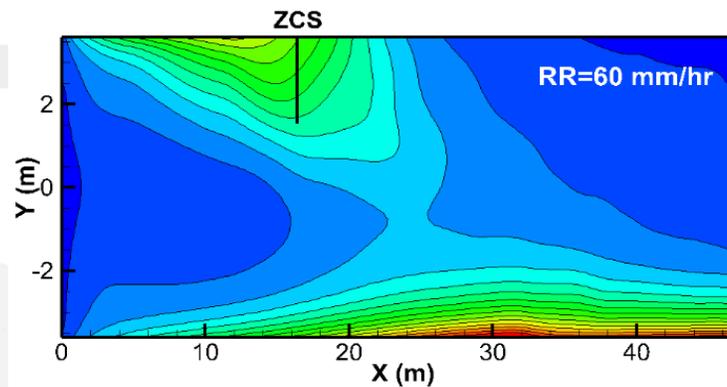


NCHRP 15-55 3D Water Accumulation Model

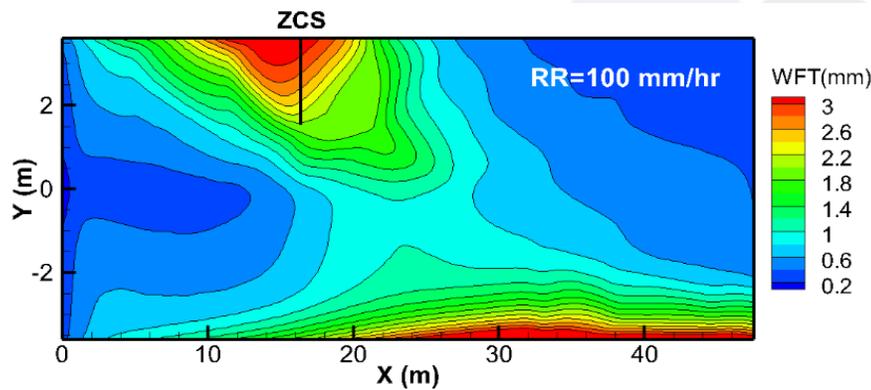
Validation work with Reed et al. (1989) and 1-D correlations.



(a) Base case with 20 mm/h

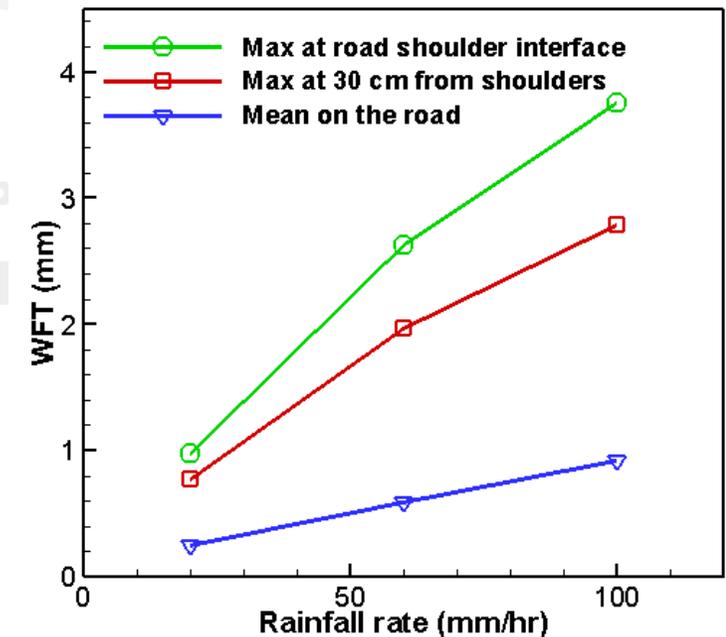
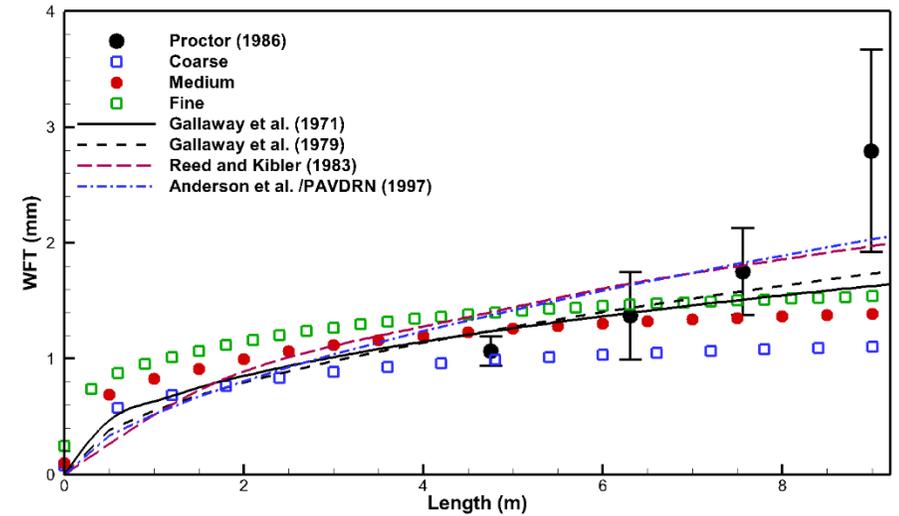


(b) Case 2 with 60 mm/h



(c) Case 3 with 100 mm/h

WFT distribution on pavement with different rainfall rate



NCHRP 15-55 Hydroplaning Risk Assessment Tool

Simplified Water Model

NCHRP 15-55 Hydroplaning Risk Assessment Tool (beta version)

Road Characteristics

Geometry File

Texture MPD (mm):

Cross Slope (%):

Grade (%):

Radius of Curvature (m):

Road Roughness:

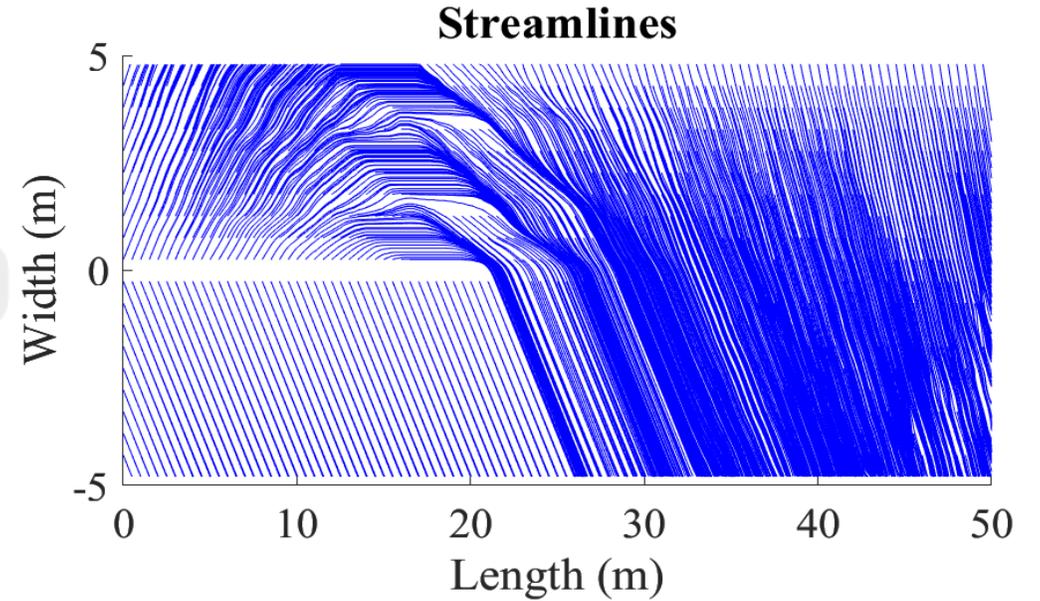
Water Film Thickness

Rainfall Rate (mm/h):

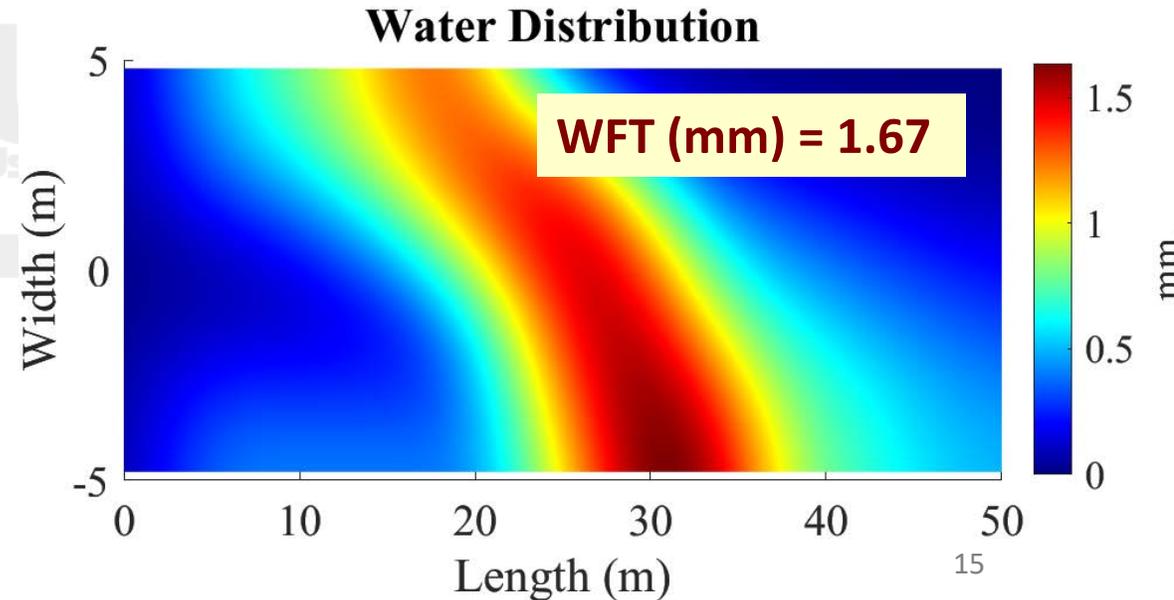
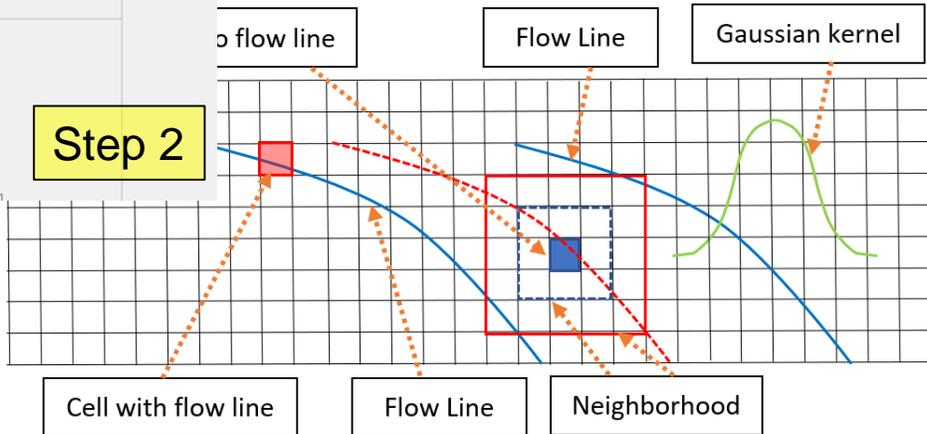
Calculate WFT

Step 1

- ✓ Modified Gallaway Equation
- ✓ Gaussian Kernel Smoothing



Step 2



Recent FHWA / USDoE / Argonne Reports

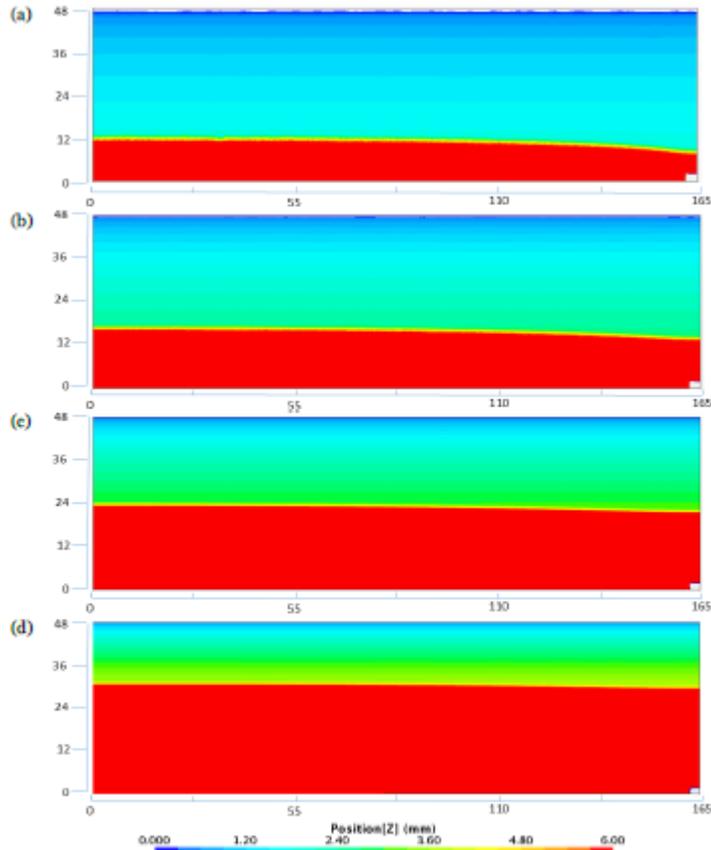


Figure 5-13: Water surface on a 4 lane roadway with a curb and drainage, with 1% cross slope, no longitudinal slope, and at rain intensity (a) 2 in/hr, (b) 5 in/hr, (c) 10 in/hr, and (d) 20 in/hr (curb overflow). The length scale of the computational domain is in feet.

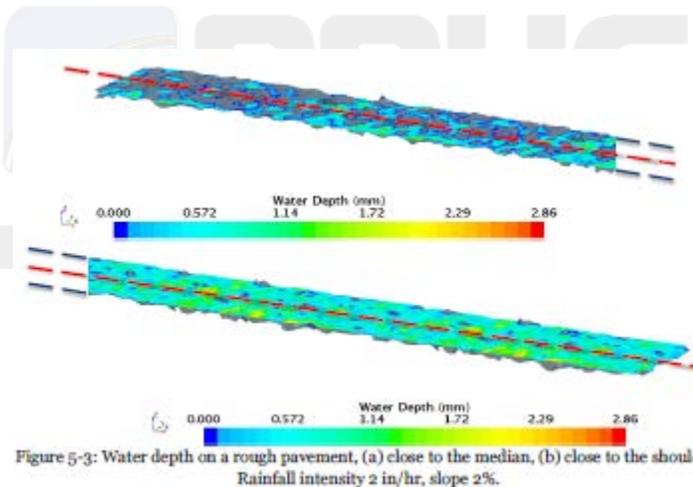
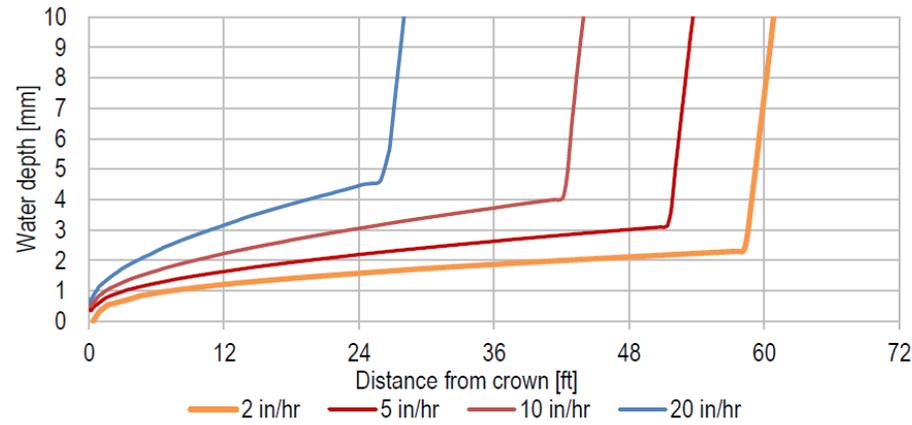


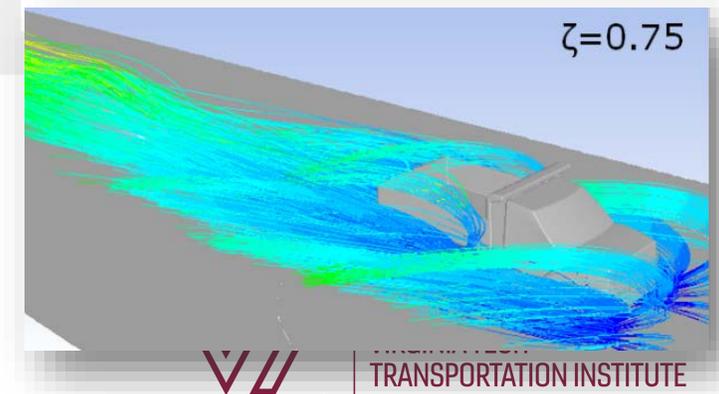
Figure 5-3: Water depth on a rough pavement, (a) close to the median, (b) close to the shoulder. Rainfall intensity 2 in/hr, slope 2%.

3. Splash and Spray



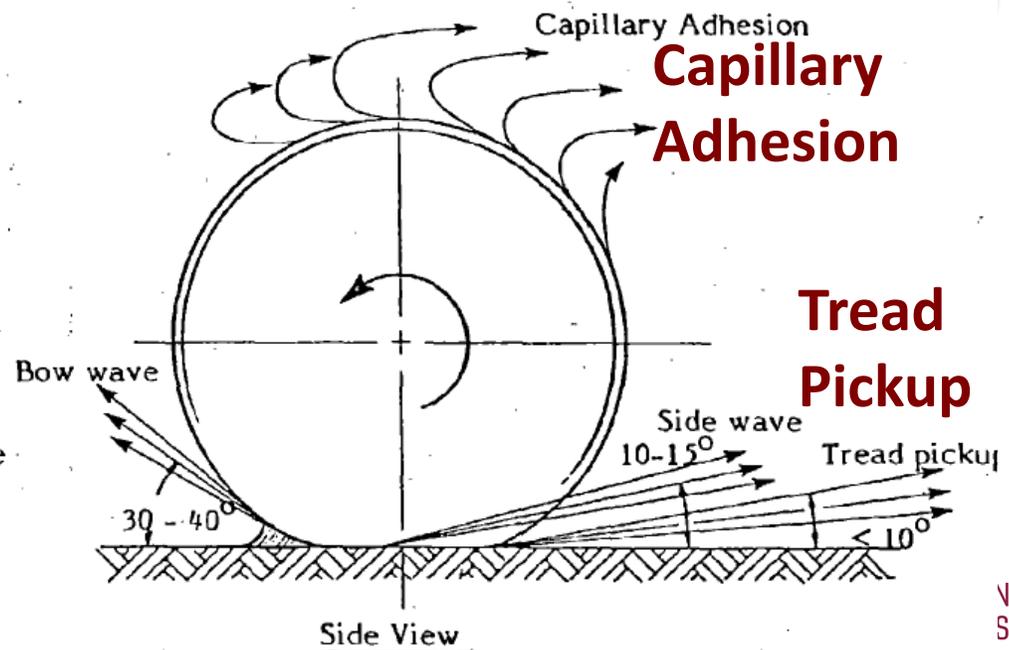
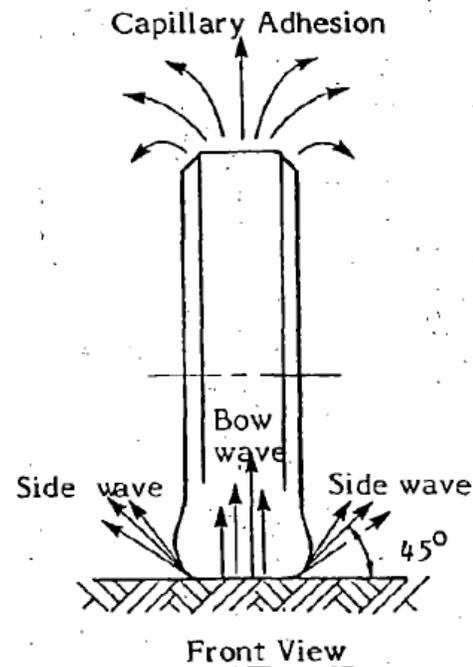
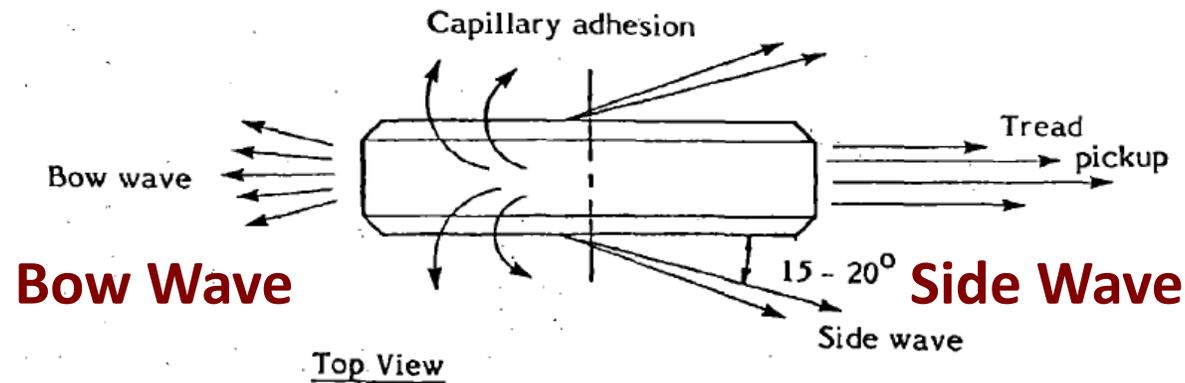
Splash & Spray

- ✓ Splash: “the mechanical action of a vehicle’s tire forcing water out of its path. Splash is generally defined as water drops greater than 1.0 mm (0.04 inches) in diameter, which follow a ballistic path away from the tire.”
- ✓ Spray: being formed “when water droplets, generally less than 0.5 mm (0.02 inches) in diameter and suspended in the air, are formed after water has impacted a smooth surface and been atomized.”



Splash & Spray (cont.)

Weir, D. H., Strange, J. F., & Heffley, R. K. (1978). *Reduction of Adverse Aerodynamic Effects of Large Trucks - FHWA-RD-79-84*. Washington, D.C.: FHWA.



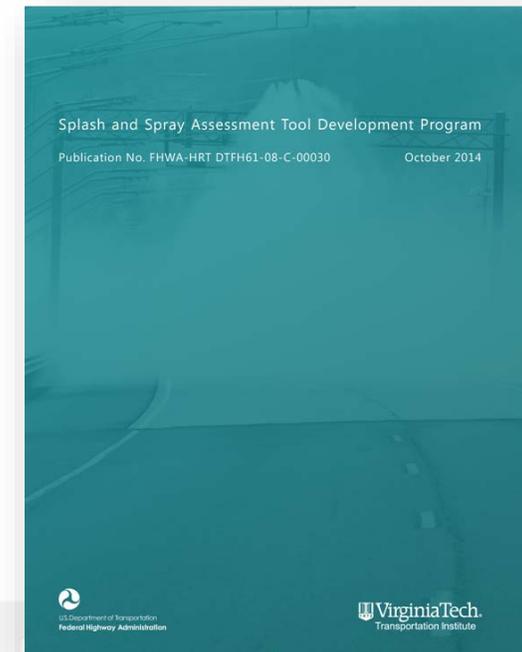
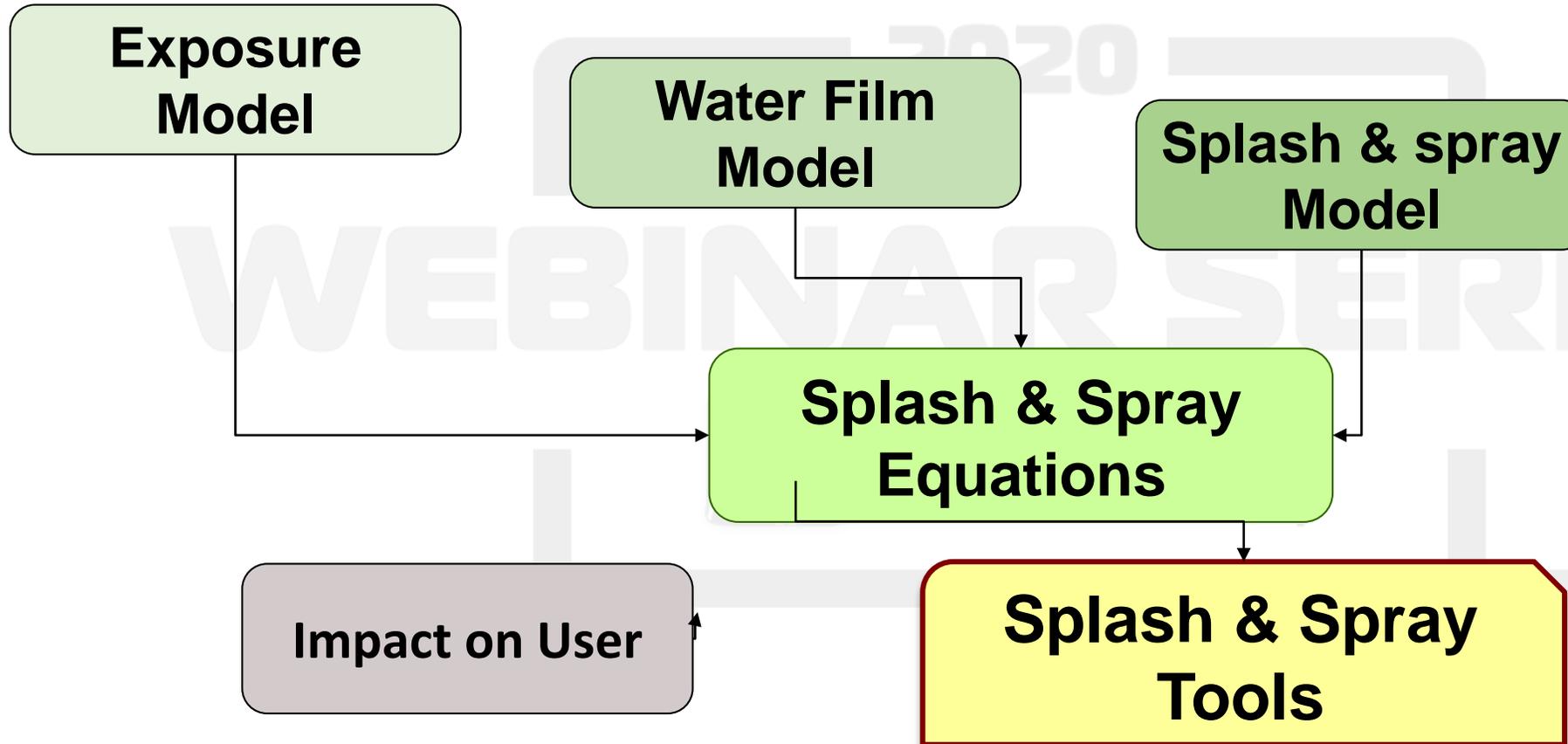
Factors affecting Splash and Spray

- ✓ Surface Geometry
 - Gradient
 - Cross-slope
 - Number and width of the lanes
- ✓ Pavement Macrotexture
- ✓ Surface Type
 - Permeable vs non-permeable
- ✓ Location or Rain Intensity
 - Intensity
 - Rain duration
- ✓ Tire
 - Width
 - Tread grooved proportion
 - Tread depth
- ✓ Speed



Splash–Spray Assessment Tool Development Program

FHWA DTFH61-08-R-00029



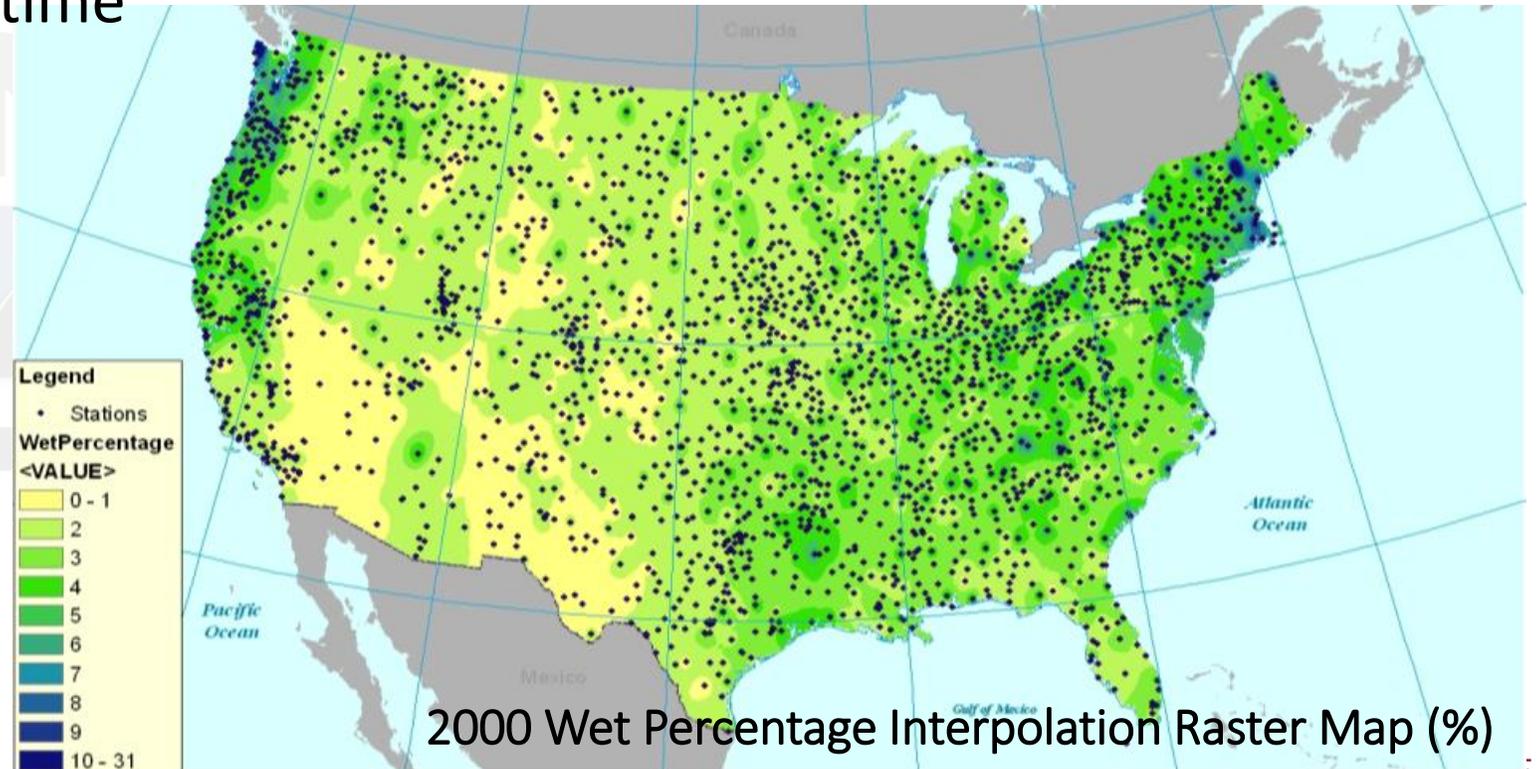
Flintsch, G.W., Tang, L., Katicha, S.W., de León, E., Viner, H., Dunford, A., Nesnas, K., Coyle, F., Sanders, P., Gibbons, R., Williams, B., Hargreaves D., Parry, T., McGhee, K., Larson, R.M., and Smith K. (2014), *Splash and Spray Assessment Tool Development Program, Final Report*, 2014, DTFH61-08-C-00030.

<https://vtechworks.lib.vt.edu/handle/10919/50550>

Exposure Model

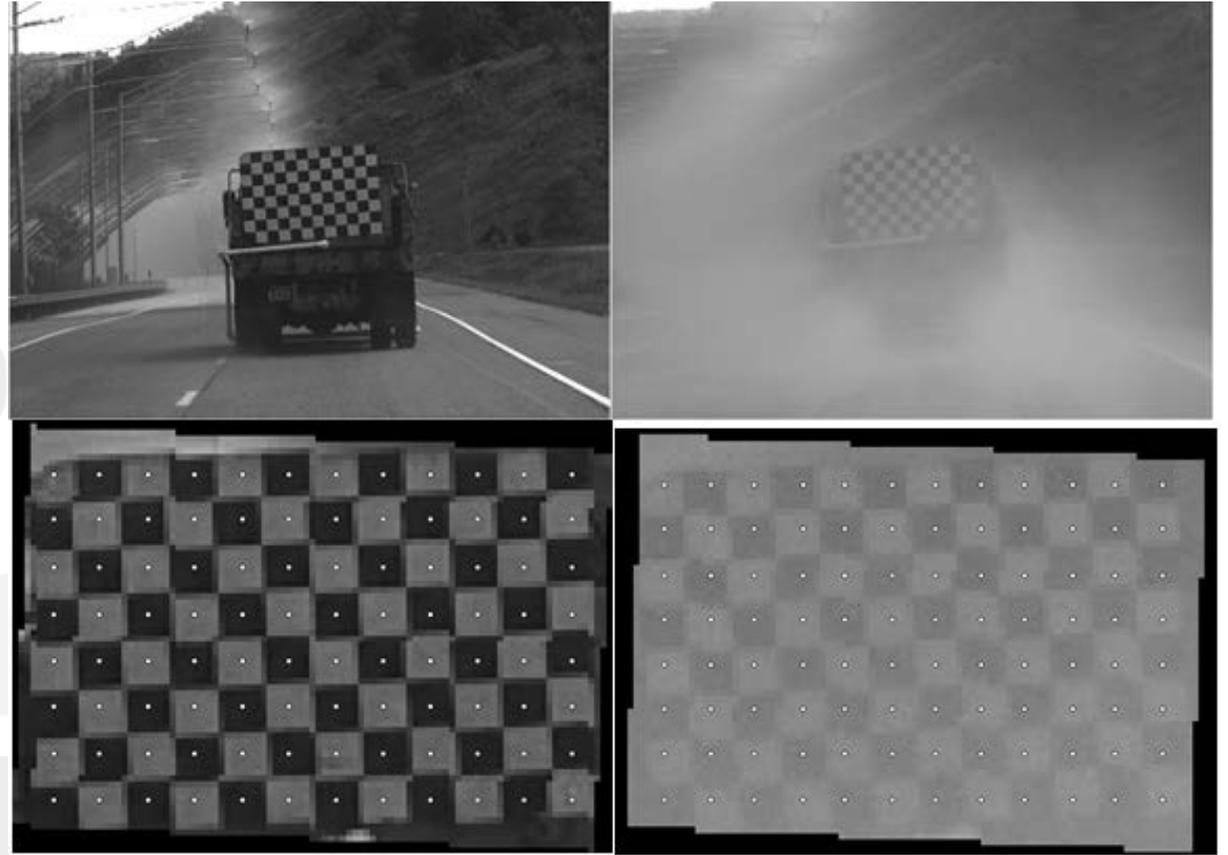
- ✓ Builds on CalTrans project (Huang et al. 2008) which updated the California Wet Percentage Time tables.
- Wet hours (for different thicknesses)
- Wet exposure = percentage time

Tang, L., Flintsch, G.W., and Viner, H., (2012) "Exposure Model For Predicting Splash and Spray," *Proceedings of the 7th Symposium on Pavement Surface Characteristics* (SURF 2012), Sep. 18-21, 2013, Norfolk, VA.



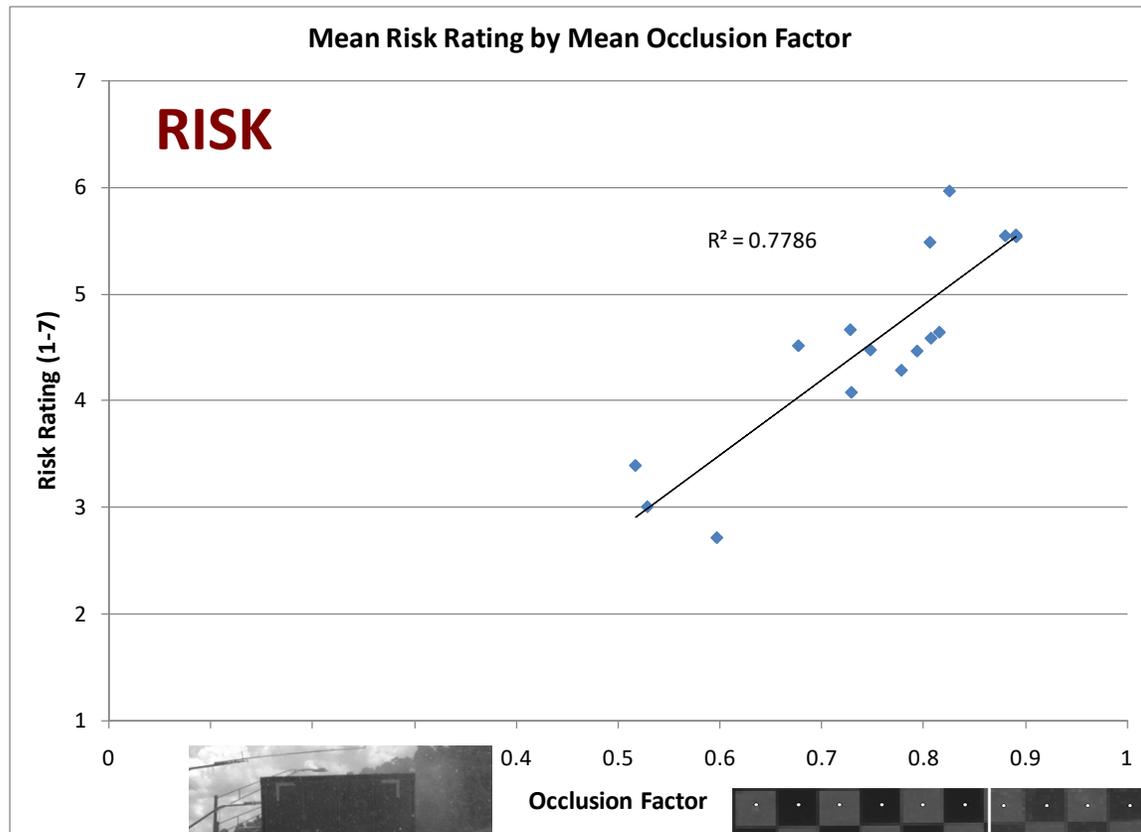
User Impact

- ✓ Test under to a range of different controlled conditions
- ✓ Measure of splash and spray: **Occlusion Factor**
- ✓ Correlates with user responses (subjective ratings of obstruction, concentration, and risk and lower ratings for confidence and control)

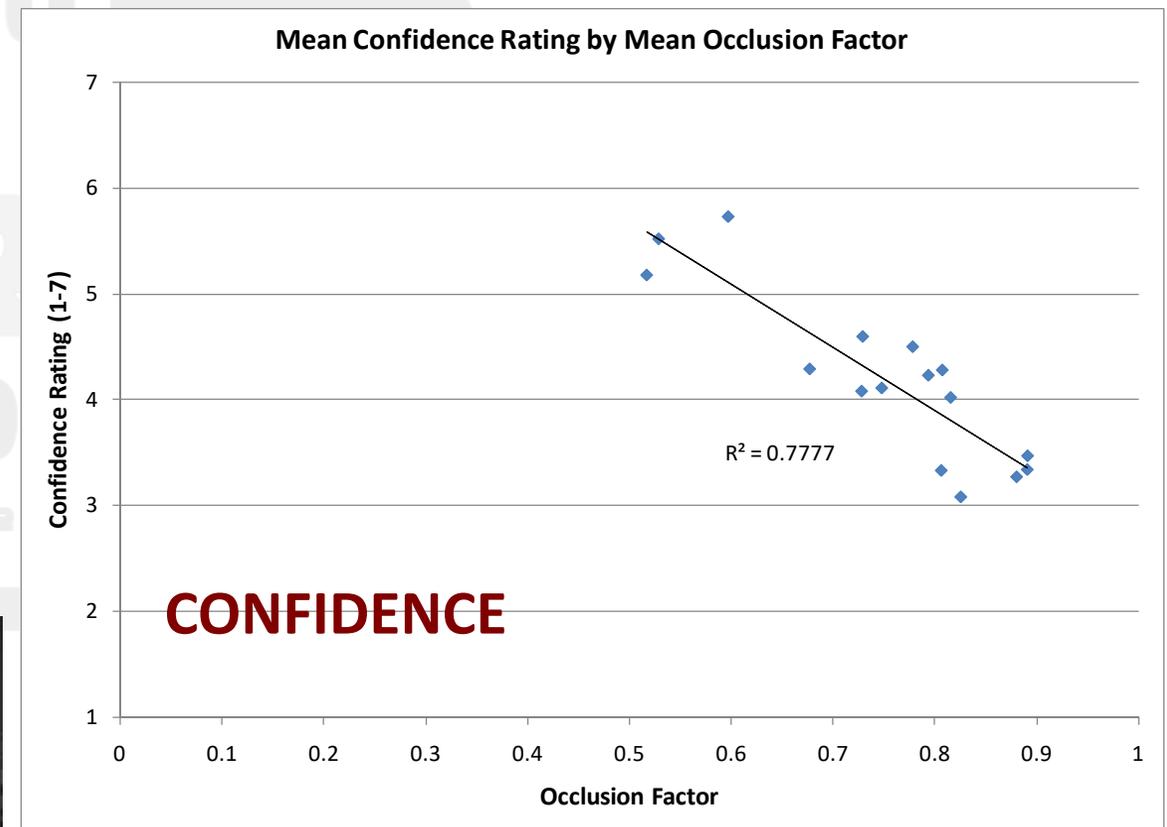
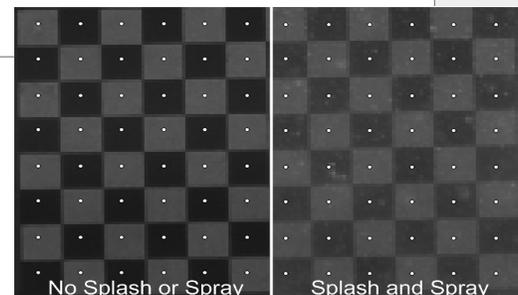


Occlusion Factor = ratio of the mean luminance of the black squares to the mean luminance of the white squares

Occlusion Factor- Correlation with User Perceptions



Occlusion Factor



Splash and Spray Model

CDF Simulation

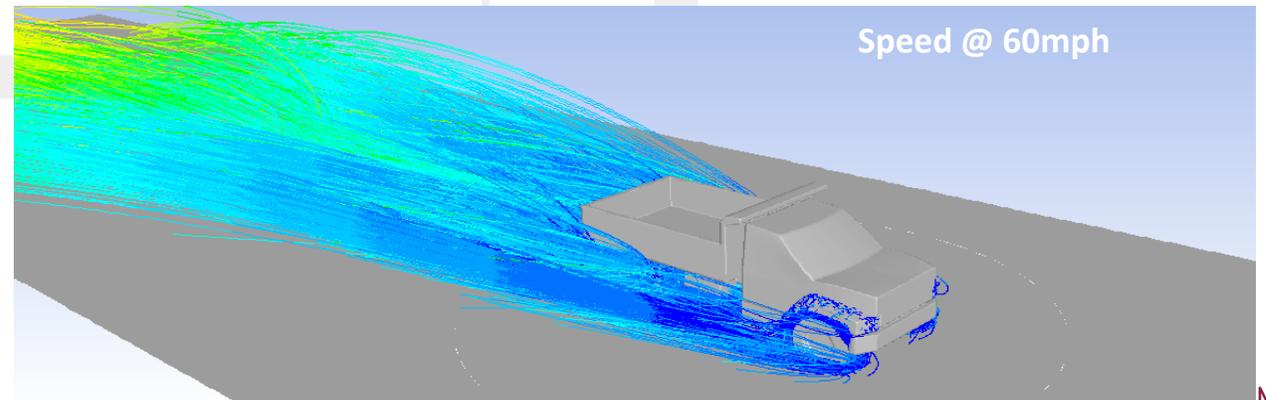
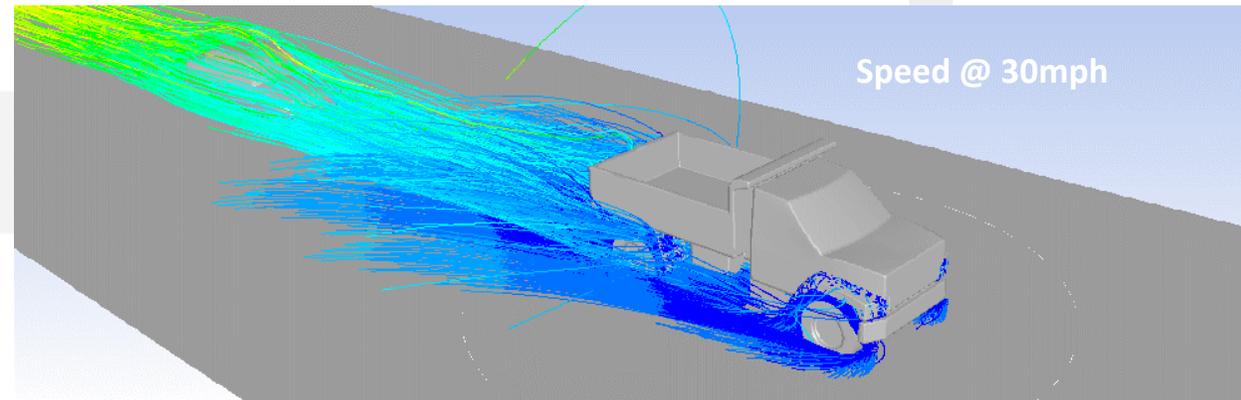
→ Capillary Adhesion + Tread Pickups

+ Bow wave

+ Side Wave

→ Combined

→ Used results to build the model



Splash–Spray Assessment Tool Development Program Products

FHWA DTFH61-08-R-00029

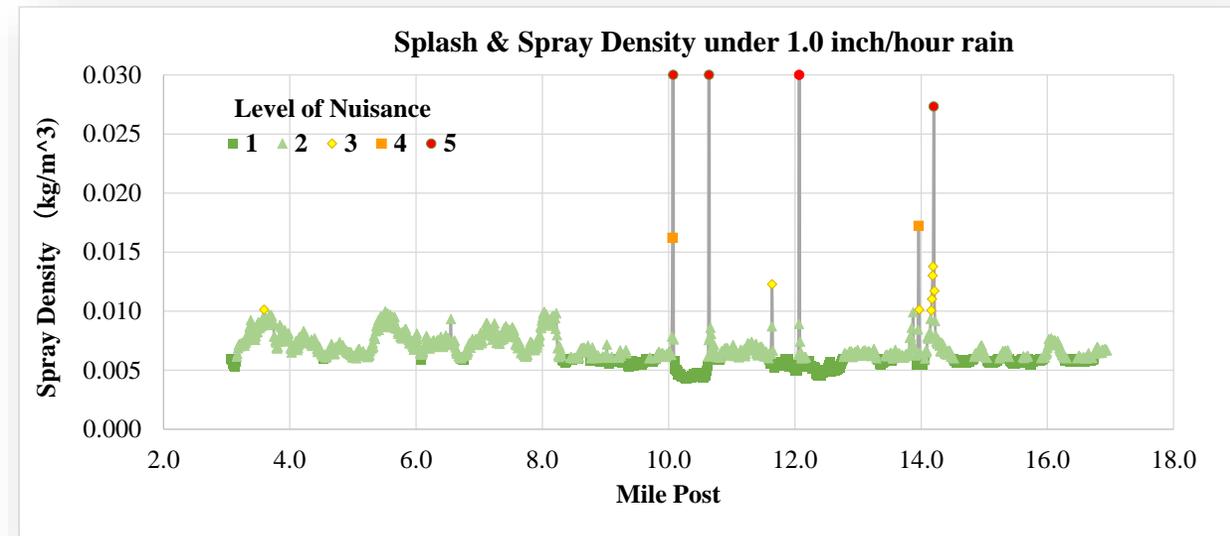


1. Splash and Spray Assessment Tool Development Program Final Report

3. Splash and Spray Assessment Tool

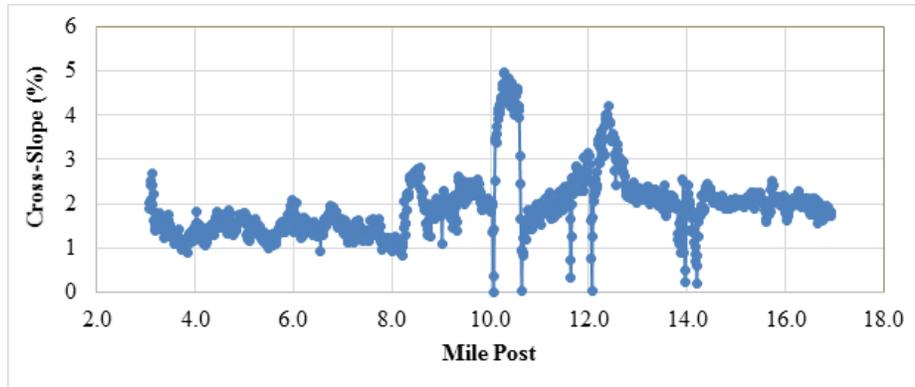
2. TechBrief: Assessing Pavement Surface Splash and Spray Impact on Road Users, FHWA-HRT-15-062

www.fhwa.dot.gov/pavement/pub_details.cfm?id=964

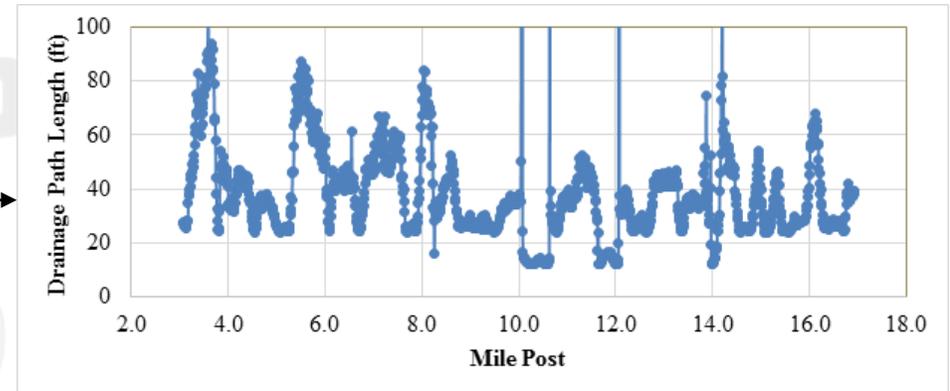


Spreadsheet Tool

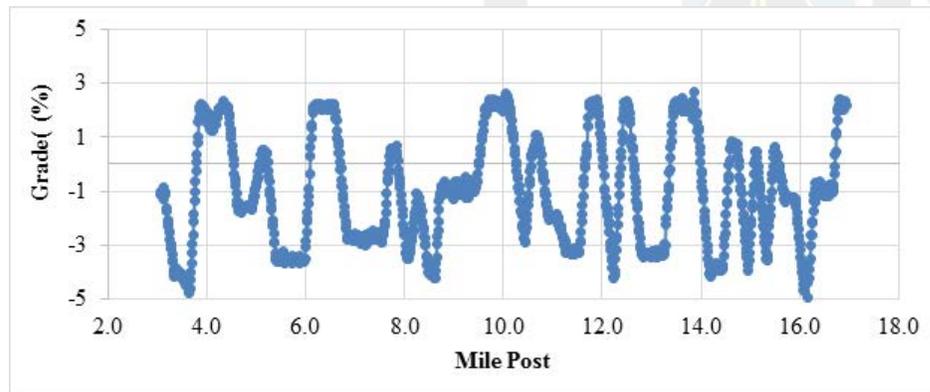
Pavement surface cross slope



Calculated drainage path

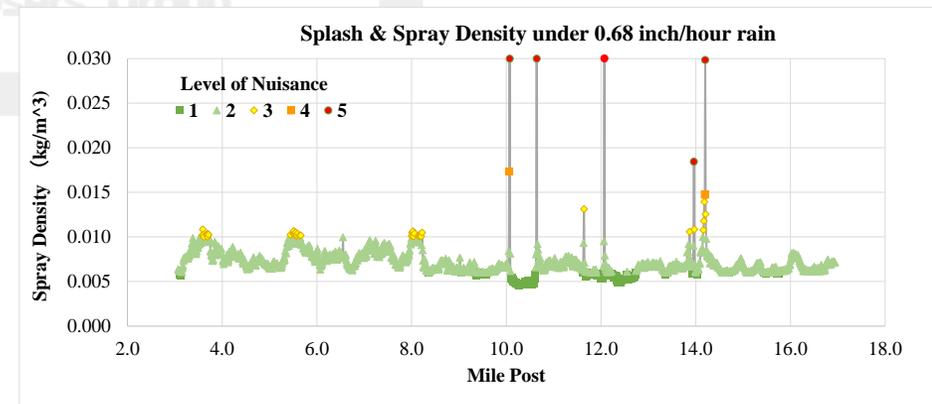


Longitudinal grade



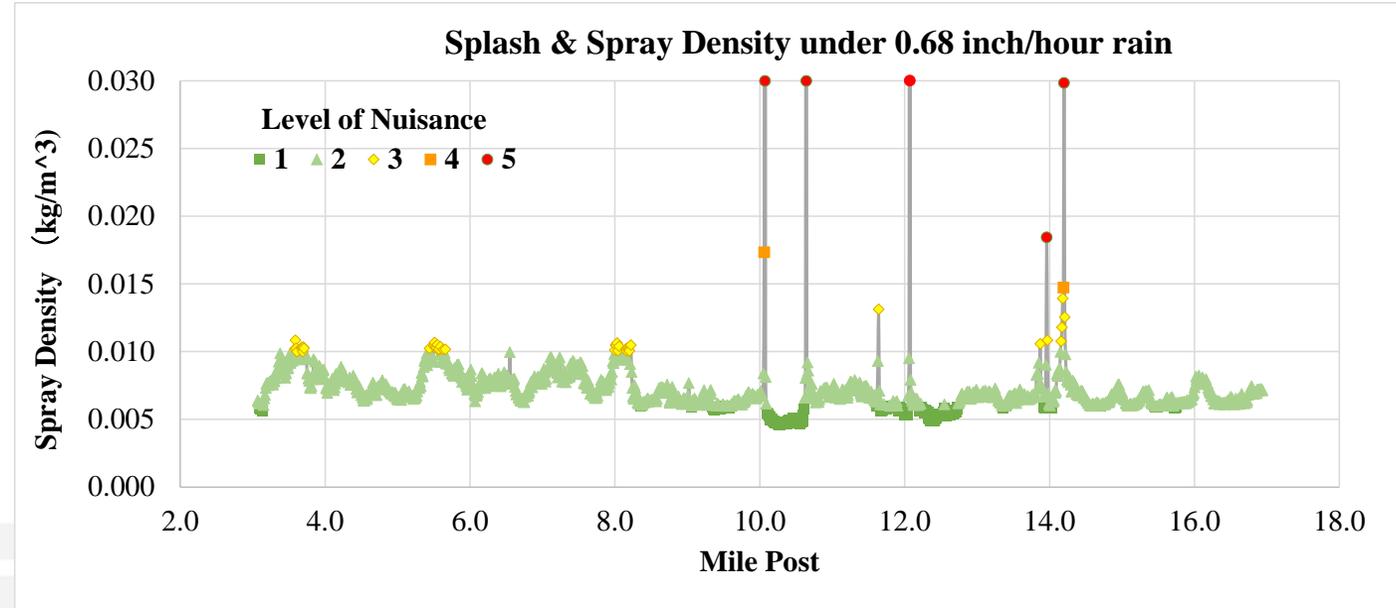
Precipitation

Spray Density

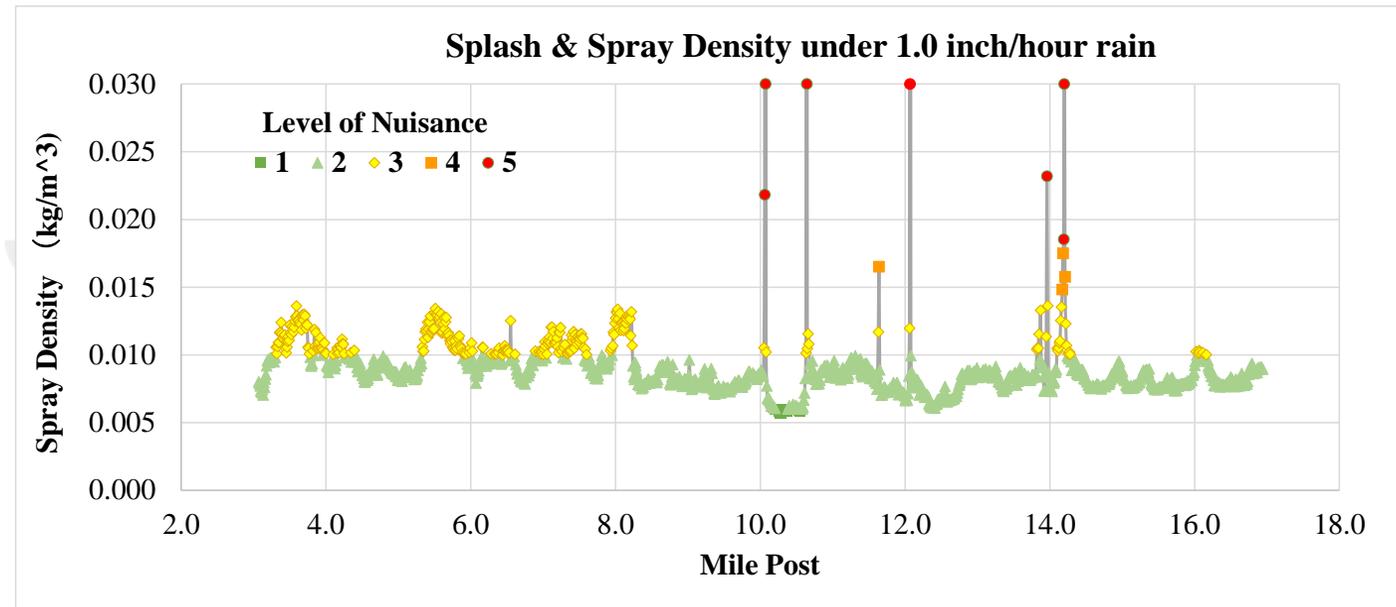


0.68-inch/h rainfall (10-hour level) non-porous pavement

Example

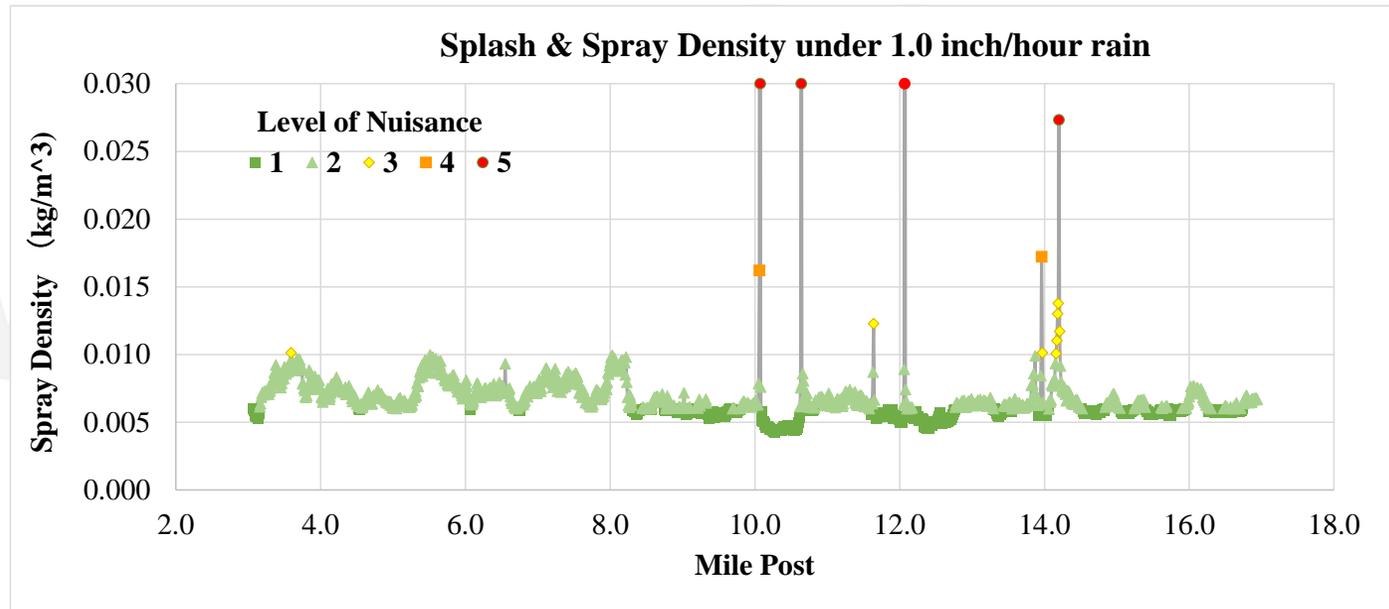


1-inch/h rainfall (4-hour level) non-porous pavement



Case Study (cont.)

1-inch/h rainfall (4-hour level) porous pavement

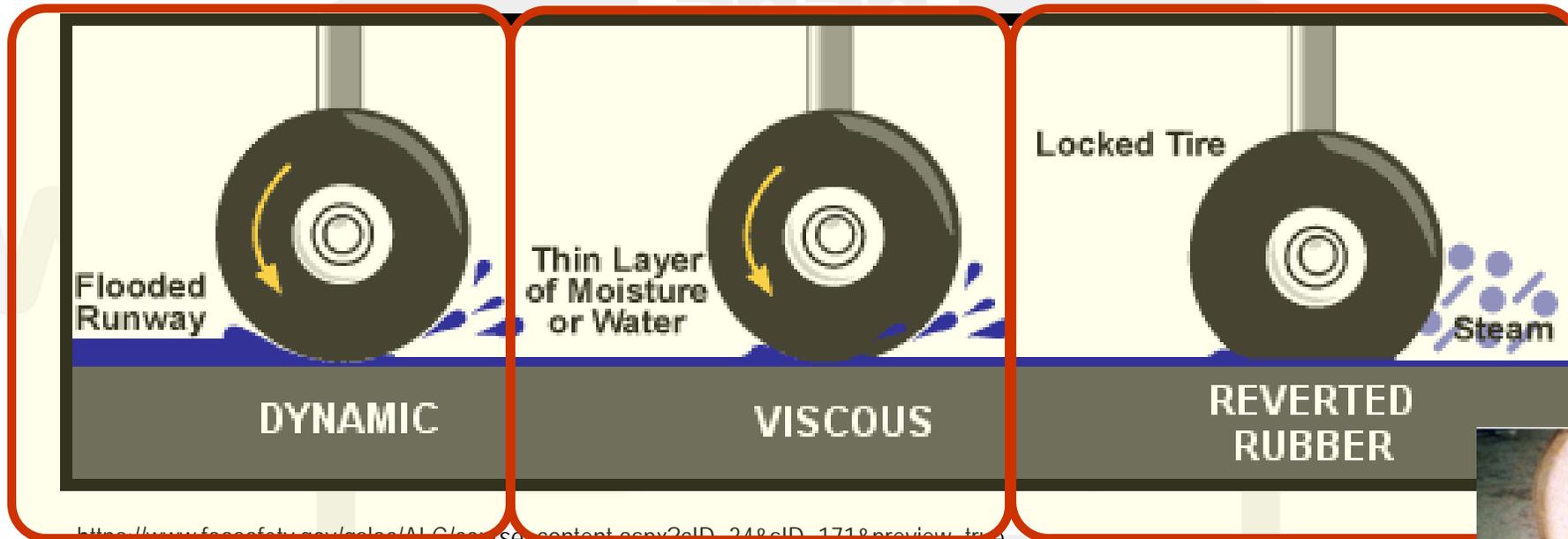


4. Hydroplaning

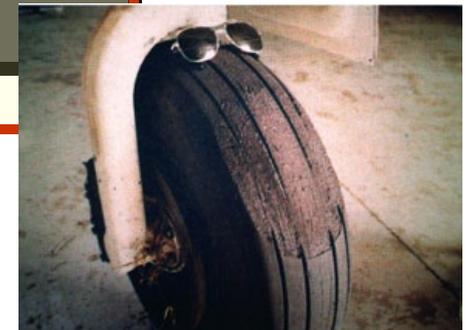


<http://auto.howstuffworks.com/car-driving-safety/accidents-hazardous-conditions/hydroplaning.htm>

Hydroplaning



https://www.faa.gov/gslac/ALG/course_content.aspx?cID_34&cID_171&preview_true



Traditional Hydroplaning Models: Hydroplaning Speed Prediction

✓ NASA:
$$v_p = 51.80 - 17.15(FAR) + 0.72p$$

$$v_p = 7.95\sqrt{p(FAR)^{-1}}$$

✓ TXDOT:
$$v_p = SD^{0.04} p^{0.3} (TD + 1)^{0.06} A$$

$$A = \max\left(3.507 + \frac{10.409}{WFT^{0.06}}, \left[\frac{28.952}{WFT^{0.06}} - 7.817\right] T^{0.14}\right)$$

✓ PAVDRN:
$$v_p = 26.04WFT^{-0.259}$$

✓ USF:
$$v_p = WL^{0.2} p^{0.5} \left(\frac{0.82}{WFT^{0.06}} + 0.49 \right)$$

Factors affecting Hydroplaning

- ✓ Roadway and Pavement
 - Pavement micro- and macrotexture
 - Cross-slope (including superelevation)
 - Longitudinal grade
 - Pavement width (number of lanes)
 - Roadway curvature
 - Rut depth
 - Depressions
- ✓ Environmental conditions
 - Rainfall intensity
 - Rainfall duration
 - Temperature
- ✓ Driver behavior
 - Speed
 - Acceleration or braking
 - Steering maneuver
- ✓ Vehicle conditions
 - Vehicle type
 - Vehicle (or axle) weight
 - Tire tread wear (tread depth)
 - Tire pressure
 - Tire tread design

Florida DOT Hydroplaning Tool



Hydroplaning Analysis Tool

General Inputs

FPD: 123456-7 Roadway Section Number: 12345
 District No.: 2 Milepost: 0.800 to 4.000
 County: Alachua Direction: North

General Inputs

Analysis Options

Select Analysis Option: Deterministic (Default) Show intermediate outputs? No
 Risk Analysis? (Per FDOT's Design Guidance): No
 Continuous Data? No For Rut depth, Cross Slope, and/or Texture

Analysis Options

WTT & HPS Model Selection

WTT Model	Hydroplaning Speed Model		
	PAVDEN	USF	Galloway
Galloway	Y		Y
UK RRL			
NZ Mod.			
PAVDEN			

Notes on WTT and HPS Models
 Please select as many models as needed.
 Note 1: Risk Analysis is defaulted to Galloway WTT and PAVDRN HPS models.
 Note 2: Continuous Analysis uses only ONE model combination.

Model Selection

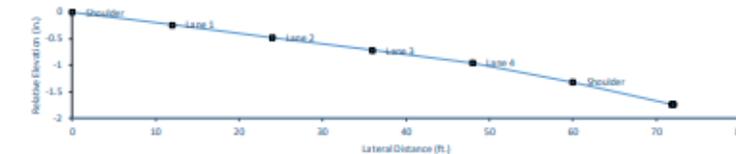
Pavement Inputs

Deterministic Analysis

Longitudinal Grade (%): 3 Pavement Texture (Please Select MTD or MPD below):
 Surface Type: Dense Graded Friction Course Mean Texture Depth (in.): 0.035
 Permeability (in/hr): 0

Pavement Inputs

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Description	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Shoulder						
Cross Slope (%)	2	2	2	2	3	3.5						
Width (ft.)	12	12	12	12	12	12						



Environmental Inputs

Environmental Inputs

Deterministic Analysis

Rainfall Intensity (in/hr): 2.00

Vehicle Inputs

Vehicle Inputs

Deterministic Analysis

Tire Pressure (psi): 30 ← Note: Tire Pressure is only needed for Galloway and USF HPS models
 Spindown (%): 10 ← Note: Spindown is only needed for Galloway HPS Model
 Tread Depth (in): 0.02 ← Note: Tread Depth is only needed for Galloway HPS Model

Analysis Results

Analysis Results

Deterministic Analysis

Water Film Thickness (WTT) Table

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Model	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Shoulder						
Galloway	0.015	0.017	0.054	0.069	0.074	0.081						

Hydroplaning Speed (HPS) Table

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Description	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Shoulder						
Hydroplaning Speed												
HPS - WTT												
PAVDEN Galloway	76.7	61.0	55.4	52.1	51.1	50.0						
Galloway Galloway	57.5	53.8	52.3	51.3	51.0	50.7						

State of Florida



Enhanced Hydroplaning Prediction Tool

FINAL REPORT

FDOT Contract Number: BE570

April 2020

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Florida DOT Hydroplaning Tool (cont.)

WFT & HPS Model Selection

WFT Model	Hydroplaning Speed Model		
	PAVDRN	USF	Gallaway
Gallaway		Y	
UK RRL			
NZ Mod.		Y	
PAVDRN			Y

Notes on WFT and HPS Models

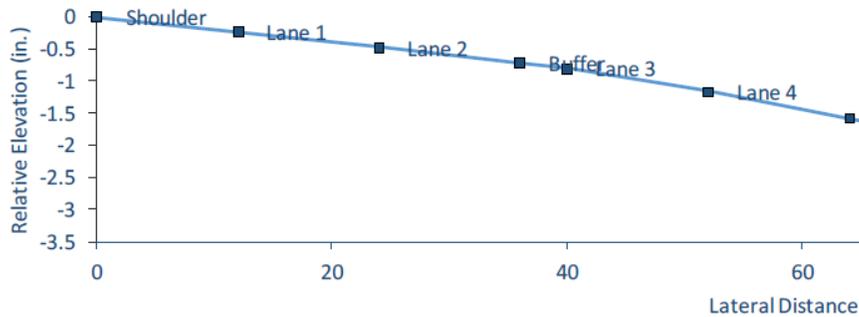
Please select as many models as needed.
 Note 1: Risk Analysis is defaulted to Gallaway WFT and PAVDRN HPS models.
 Note 2: Continuous Analysis uses only ONE model combination.

Pavement Inputs

Deterministic Analysis

Longitudinal Grade (%)	3
Surface Type	Open Graded Friction Course
Permeability (in/hr)	0

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Description	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Buffer	Lane 3	Lane 4
Cross Slope (%)	2	2	2	2	3	3.5
Width (ft.)	12	12	12	4	12	12



Water Film Thickness (WFT) Table (Units: in.)

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	Gallaway WFT			10	11	12
Model	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Buffer	Lane 3	Lane 4						
Gallaway	-0.002	0.026	0.048	0.054	0.060	0.068	0.078	0.087	0.074			
UK RRL	-0.003	0.024	0.045	0.051	0.060	0.068	0.078	0.087	0.083			
NZ Mod.	-0.010	0.010	0.025	0.029	0.031	0.035	0.041	0.047	0.034			
PAVDRN	-0.013	0.000	0.008	0.011	0.012	0.014	0.020	0.024	0.017			

Hydroplaning Speed (HPS) Table (Units: mph)

Plane Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Description	Shoulder	Lane 1	Lane 2	Buffer	Lane 3	Lane 4	Gore	Ramp	Shoulder			
A Parameter												
WFT	Gallaway	0.00	19.34	18.45	18.27	18.11	17.96	17.76	17.60	17.82		
	UK RRL	0.00	19.44	18.54	18.36	18.13	17.95	17.76	17.60	17.67		
	NZ Mod.	0.00	20.79	19.41	19.17	19.07	18.91	18.67	18.47	18.93		
	PAVDRN	0.00	0.00	21.04	20.65	20.50	20.27	19.69	19.45	20.00		
Hydroplaning Speed												
HPS	WFT											
PAVDRN	Gallaway	999.0	67.1	57.3	55.4	53.9	52.3	50.5	49.0	51.1		
	UK RRL	999.0	68.3	58.3	56.4	54.1	52.2	50.4	49.0	49.6		
	NZ Mod.	999.0	85.8	67.9	65.2	64.0	62.2	59.6	57.5	62.4		
	PAVDRN	999.0	999.0	89.5	83.9	81.8	78.7	71.3	68.5	75.2		
USF	Gallaway	999.0	54.9	53.7	53.4	53.2	53.0	52.7	52.5	52.8		
	UK RRL	999.0	55.1	53.8	53.6	53.2	53.0	52.7	52.5	52.6		
	NZ Mod.	999.0	57.0	55.0	54.7	54.5	54.3	54.0	53.7	54.3		
	PAVDRN	999.0	999.0	57.3	56.8	56.6	56.2	55.4	55.1	55.9		
Gallaway	Gallaway	999.0	60.6	57.8	57.2	56.8	56.3	55.7	55.2	55.9		
	UK RRL	999.0	60.9	58.1	57.5	56.8	56.2	55.6	55.2	55.4		
	NZ Mod.	999.0	65.1	60.8	60.1	59.7	59.3	58.5	57.9	59.3		
	PAVDRN	999.0	999.0	65.9	64.7	64.2	63.5	61.7	61.0	62.7		

PAVDRN HPS using Gallaway WFT

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- ✓ Objective: To develop a comprehensive hydroplaning risk assessment tool that can be used by transportation agencies to help reduce the potential of hydroplaning.
 - Treating hydroplaning as a multidisciplinary and multi-scale problem
 - Solutions for areas with a high potential of hydroplaning based on a fundamental and meaningful understanding of the problem.

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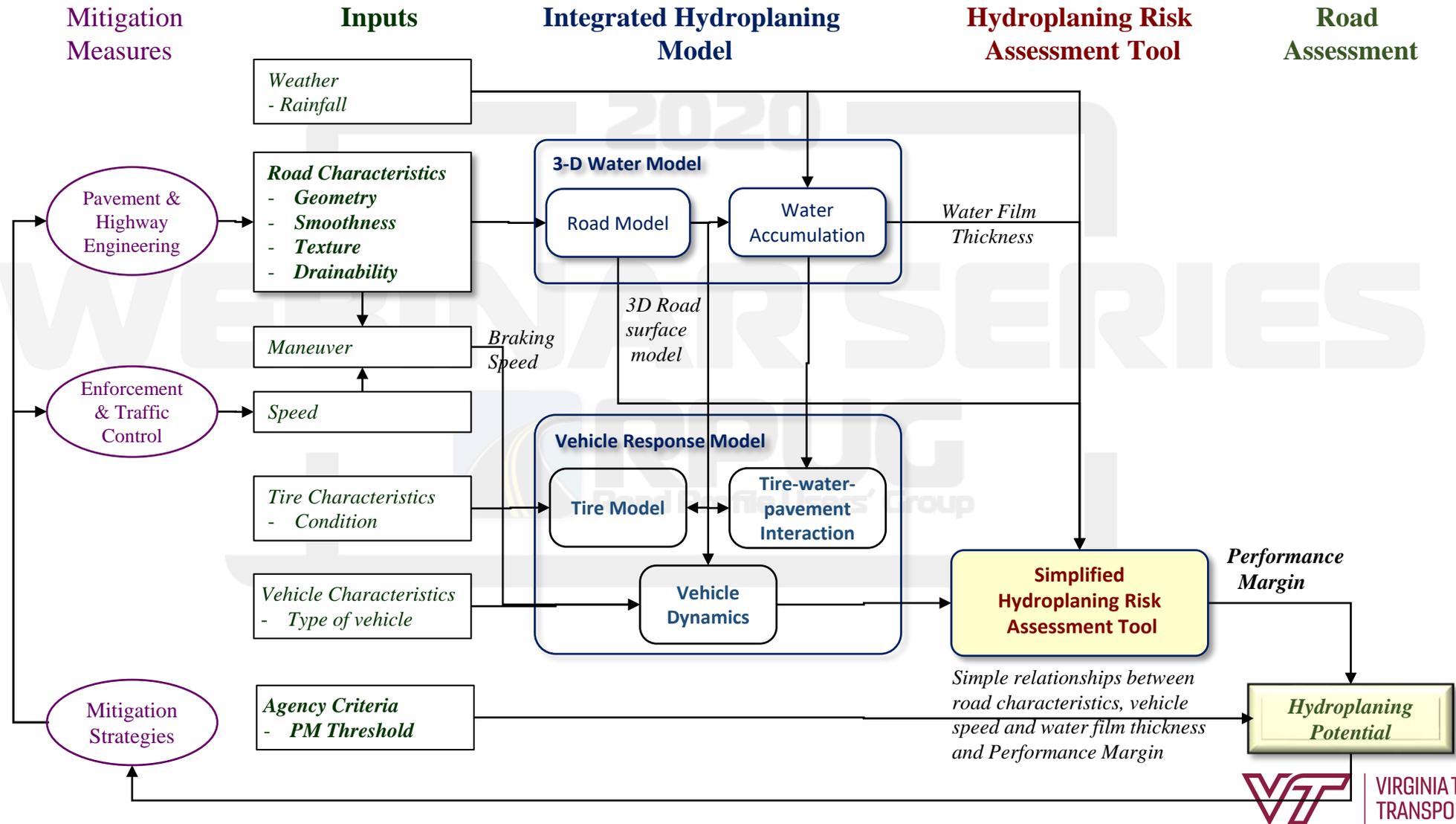
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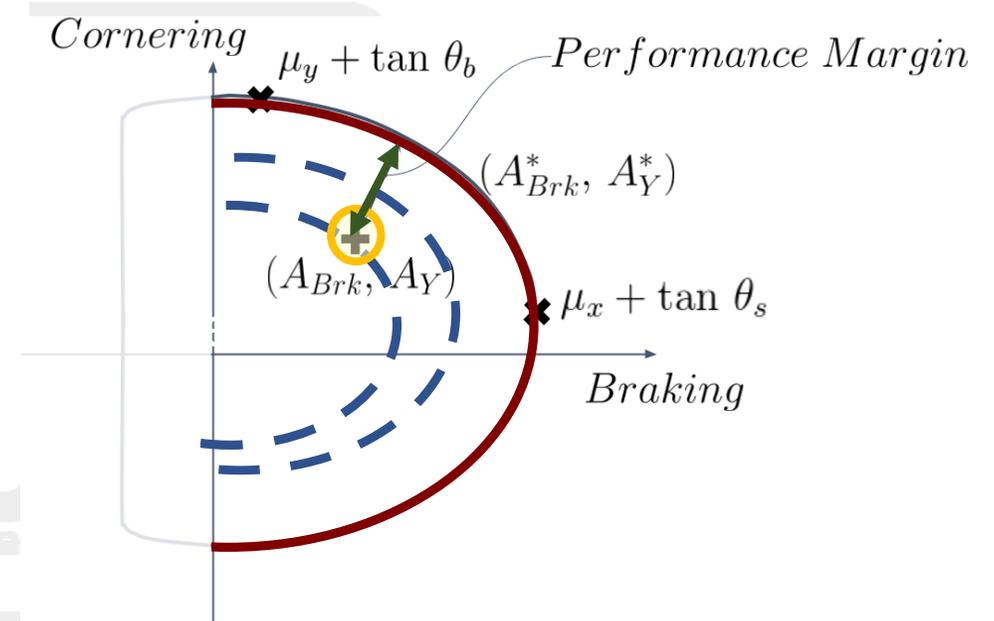
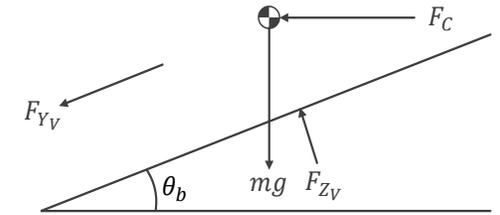
Hydroplaning Definition

✓ Based on vehicle handling capabilities

- Performance margin (available friction) dry
- Required friction
- Available friction wet

✓ Performance Margin

$$\frac{(A_{brk}^* - \tan(\theta_s))^2}{\mu_x^2} + \frac{(A_Y^* - \tan(\theta_b))^2}{\mu_y^2} = 1$$

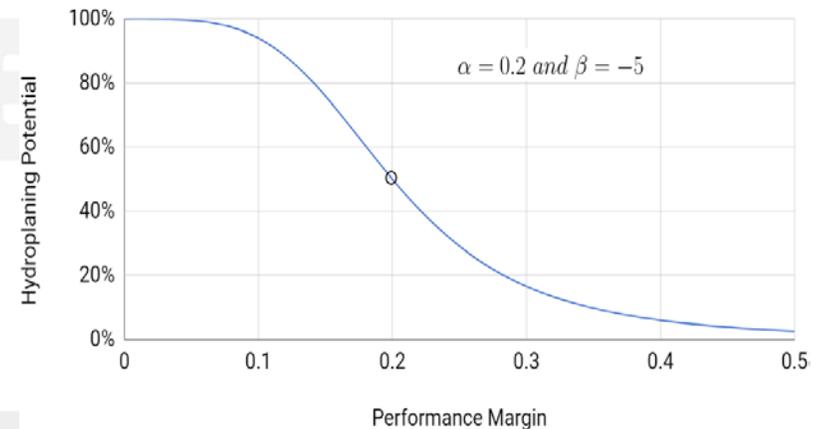


Hydroplaning Potential and Risk

✓ Not implemented in the tool

✓ Hydroplaning potential

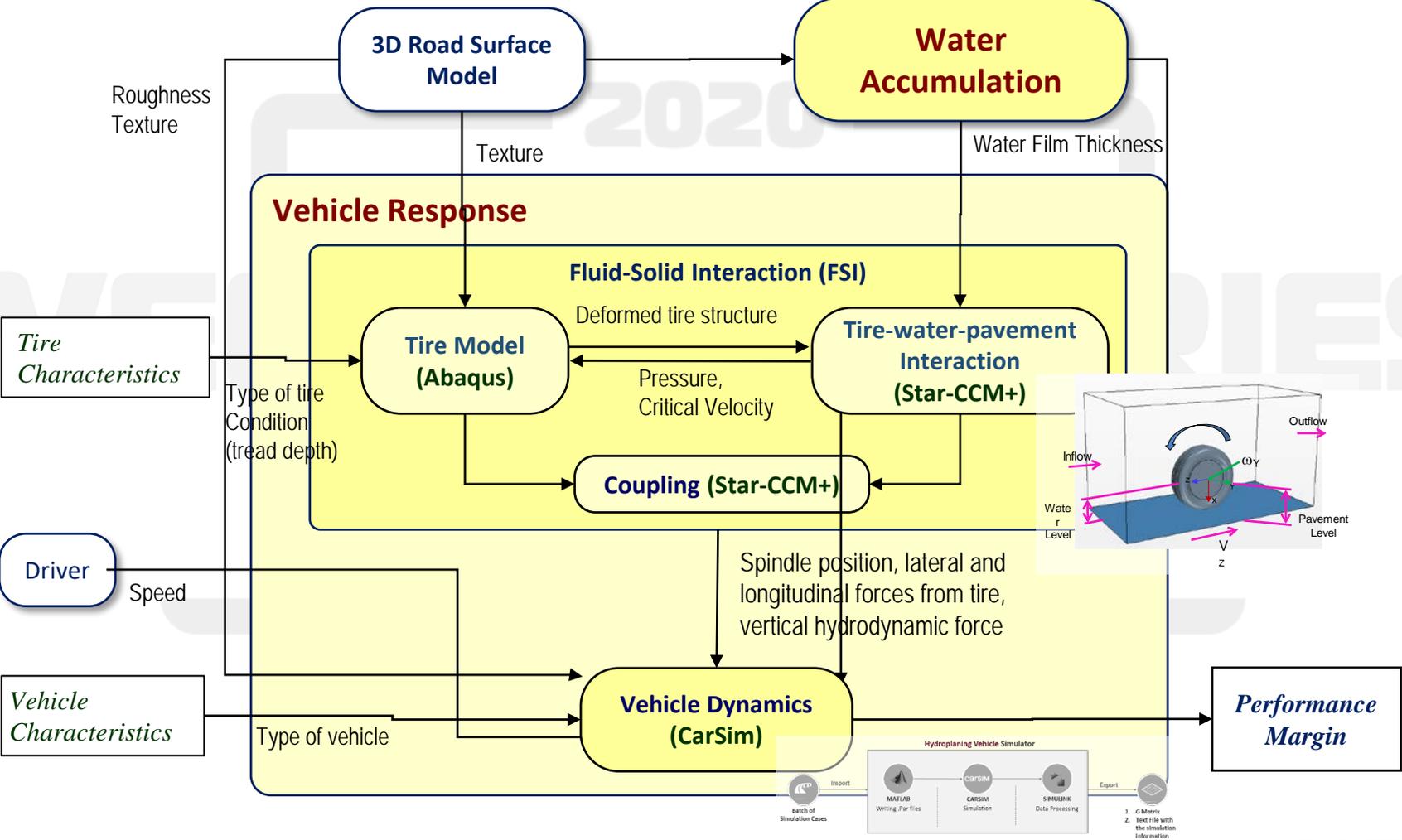
$$H_P = P(H/V S W) = \left(1 + \left(\frac{PM}{\alpha} \right)^{-4\alpha\beta} \right)^{-1}$$



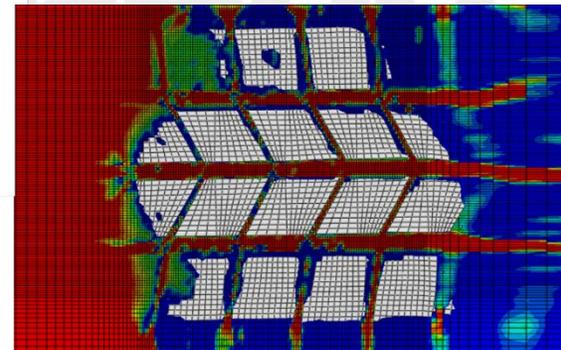
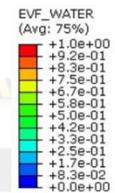
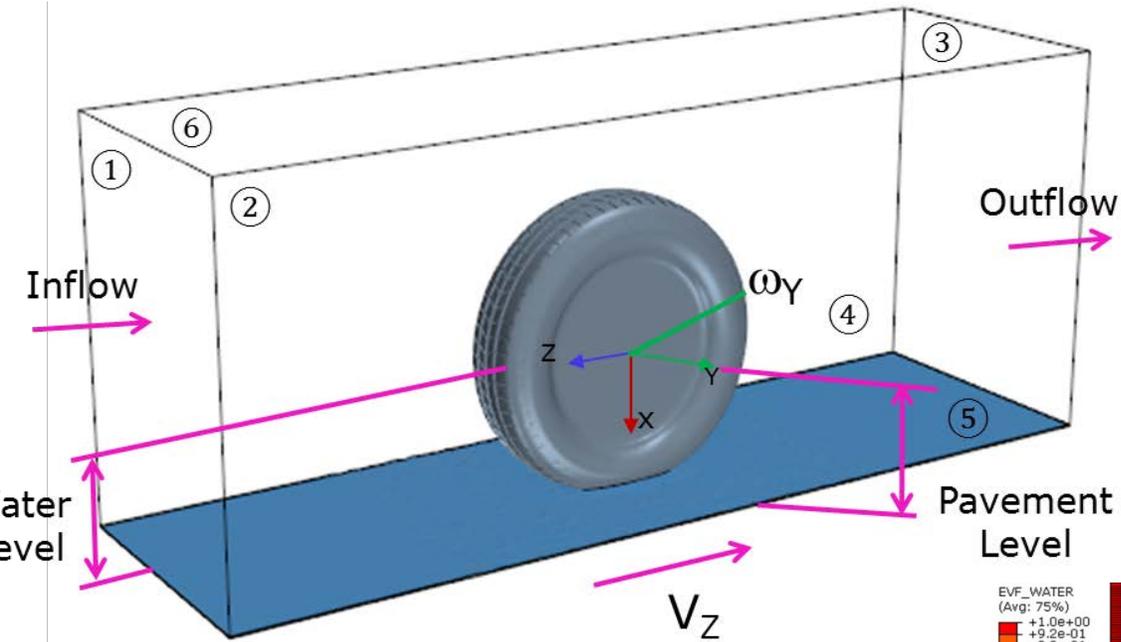
✓ Hydroplaning risk

$$H_R = P(H/S) = \sum_V \sum_W P(H / V W S) (P P(W) P (W / S))$$

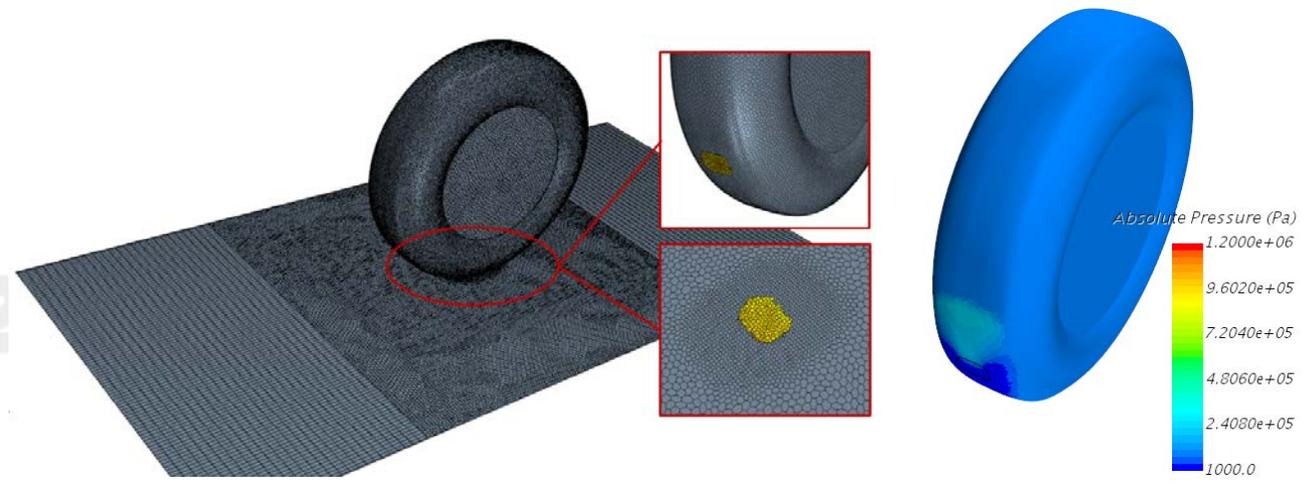
Integrated Hydroplaning Model



Tire-pavement-water Interaction Model

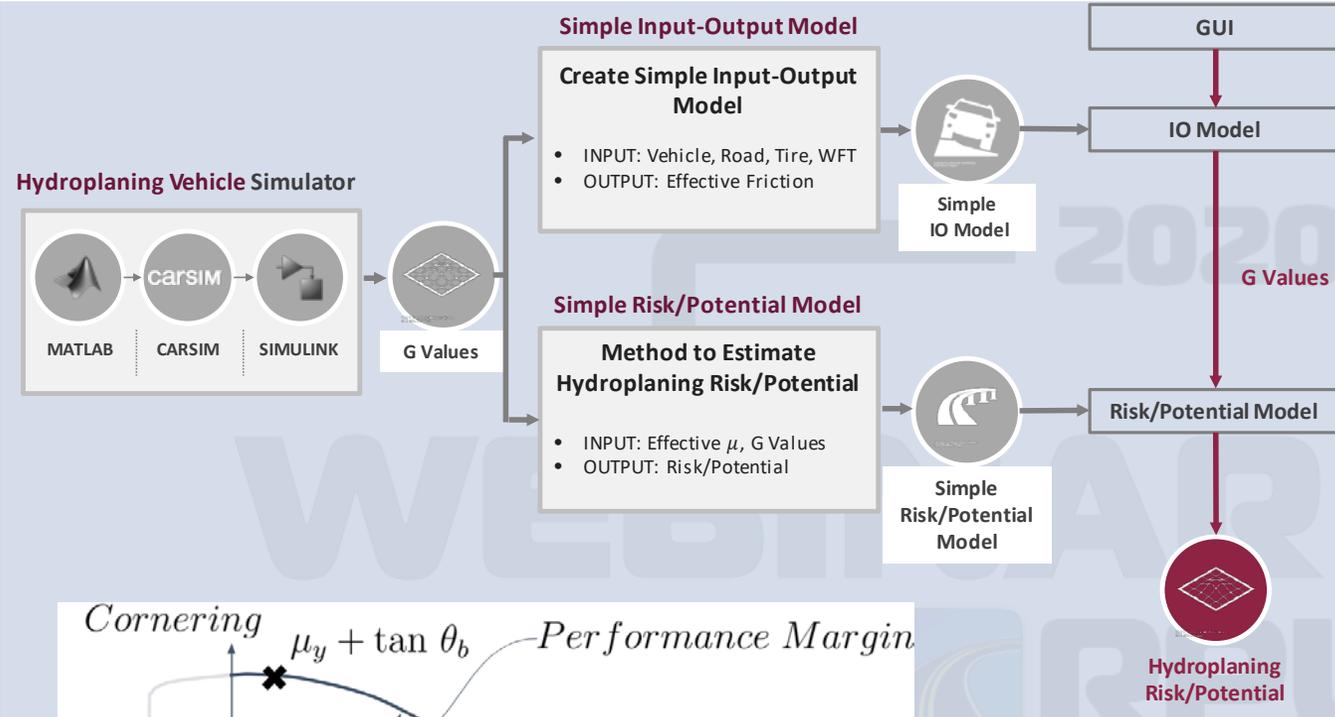


Bald tire mesh profile and pressure distribution on bald tire surface



Volume fraction of the water flowing in the tire pattern groove with 5-mm WFT at 40 mph.

Vehicle Dynamics Model - Performance Margin



$$\frac{(A_{brk}^* - \tan(\theta_s))^2}{\mu_x^2} + \frac{(A_Y^* - \tan(\theta_b))^2}{\mu_y^2} = 1$$

HP_Tool

Geometry and Rainfall

Road Geometry File

Rainfall (mm/hr): 0 Grade (%): 0

Hydroplaning Factor

Vehicle Type: Hatchback Cross-Slope: 0 %

Water Film: 0 mm Grade: 0 %

Tread Depth: New Tread Roughness: FLAT

Operating Condition

Braking Deceleration: 0

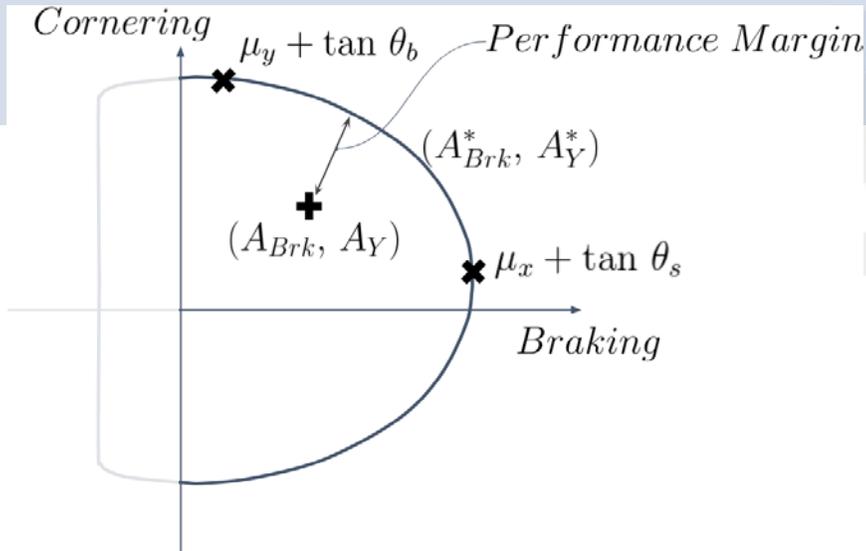
Vehicle Speed (km/h): 0

Radius of Curvature: 0

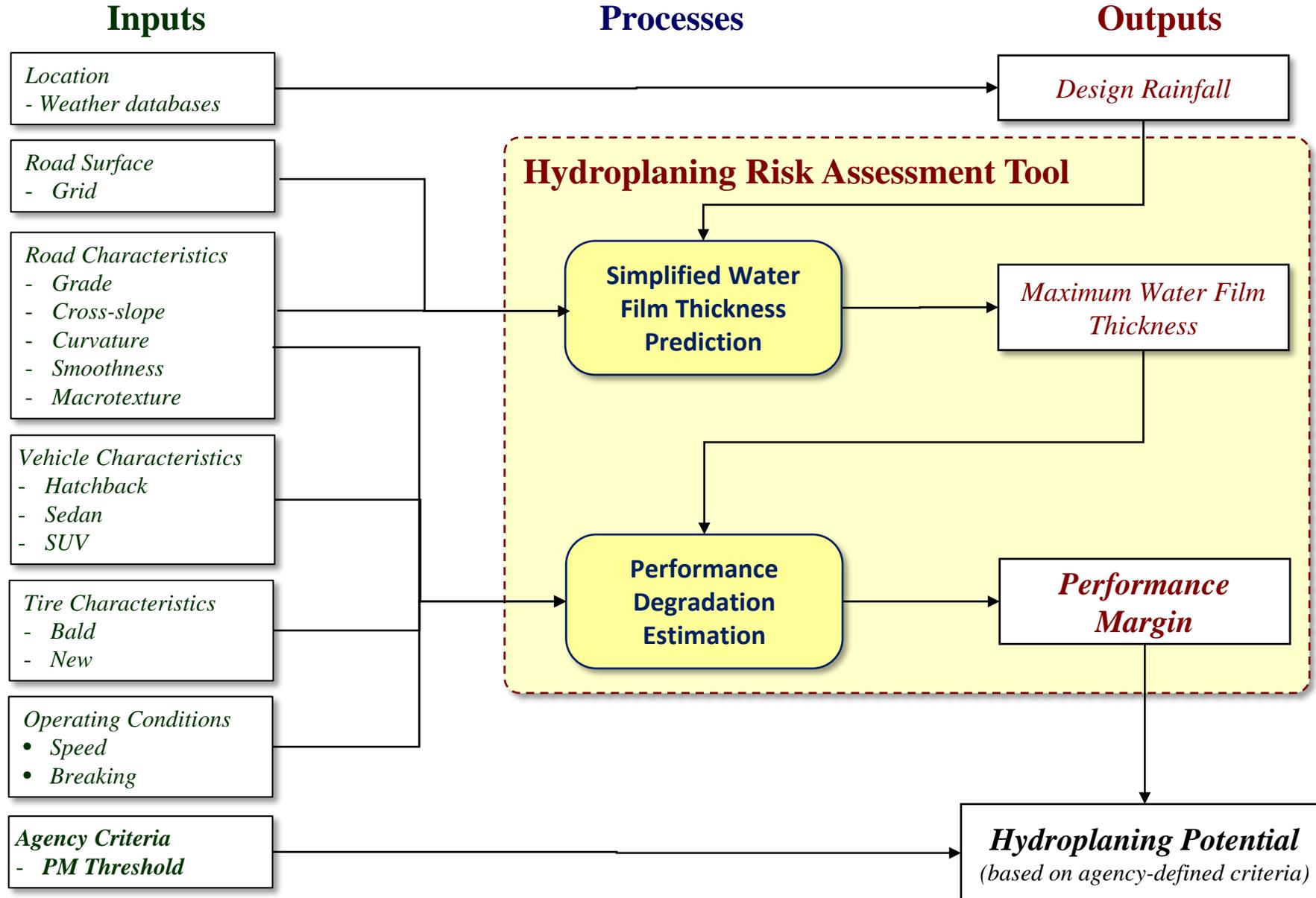
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Cornering vs Performance Margin

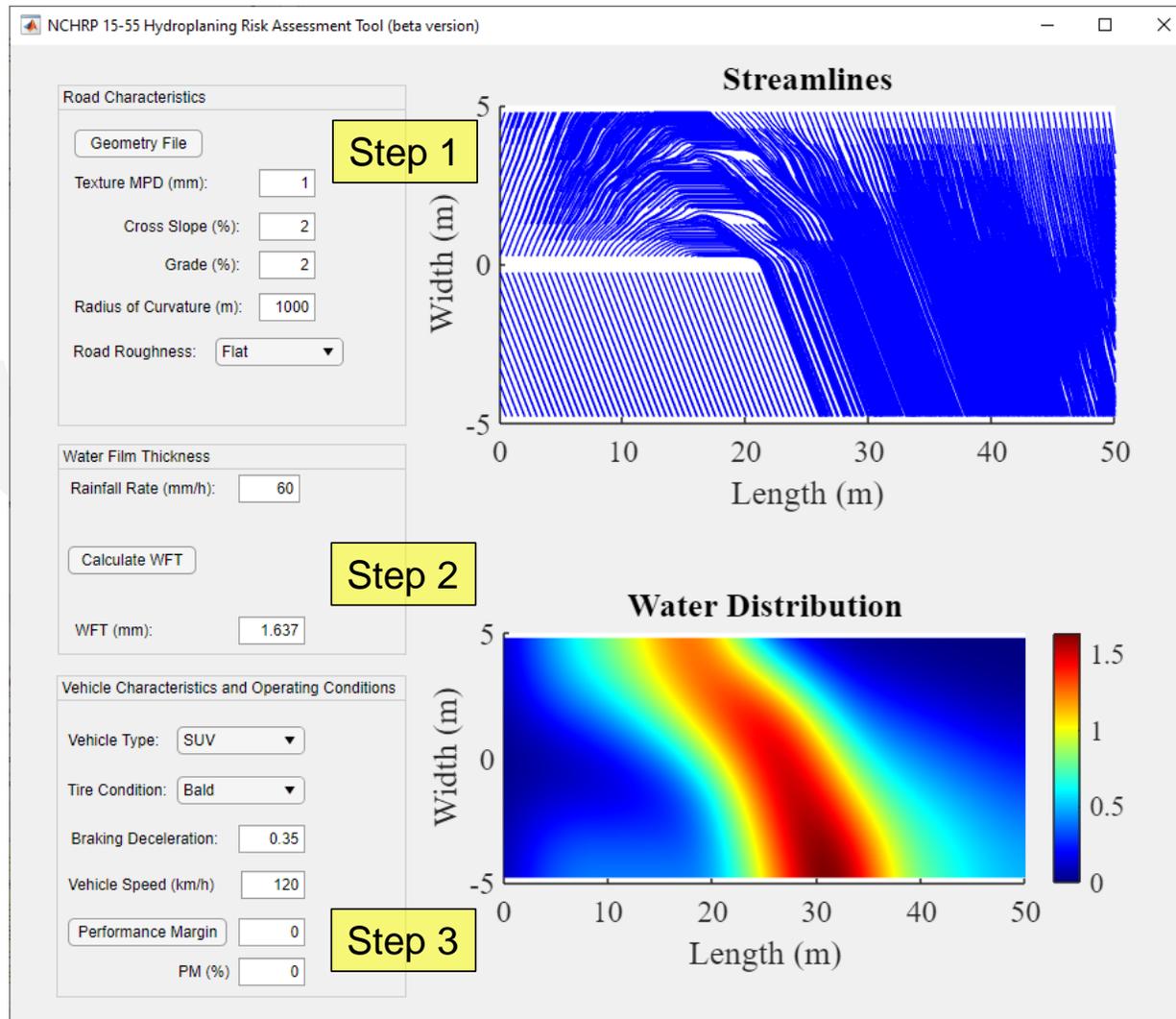
Performance Margin: 0.00



Hydroplaning Risk Assessment Tool



NCHRP 15-55 Tool – beta version



1. Select a file containing a prepared coarse grid for the alignment
2. Add the main surface characteristics and road geometric characteristics
3. Select the design speed and braking deceleration, design vehicle, and tire condition (or approve the default).

Performance Margin Calculation

Vehicle Characteristics and Operating Conditions

Vehicle Type:

Tire Condition:

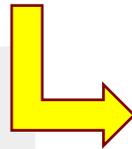
Braking Deceleration:

Vehicle Speed (km/h):

Performance Margin:

PM (%):

Step 3



HP_Tool

Geometry and Rainfall

Road Geometry File

Rainfall (mm/hr):

Grade (%):

Hydroplaning Factor

Vehicle Type:

Cross-Slope:

Water Film:

Grade:

Tread Depth:

Roughness:

Operating Condition

Braking Deceleration:

Vehicle Speed (km/h):

Radius of Curvature:

RUN

Initial Plot

Cornering

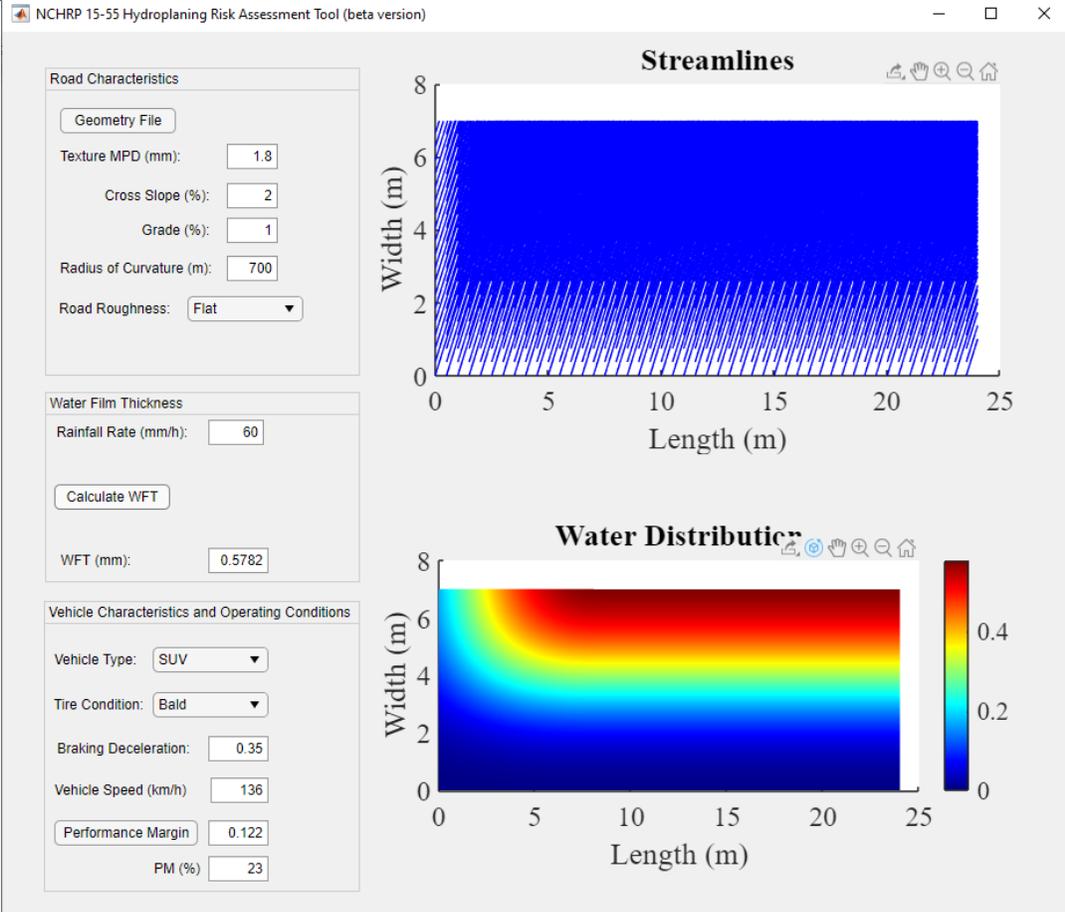
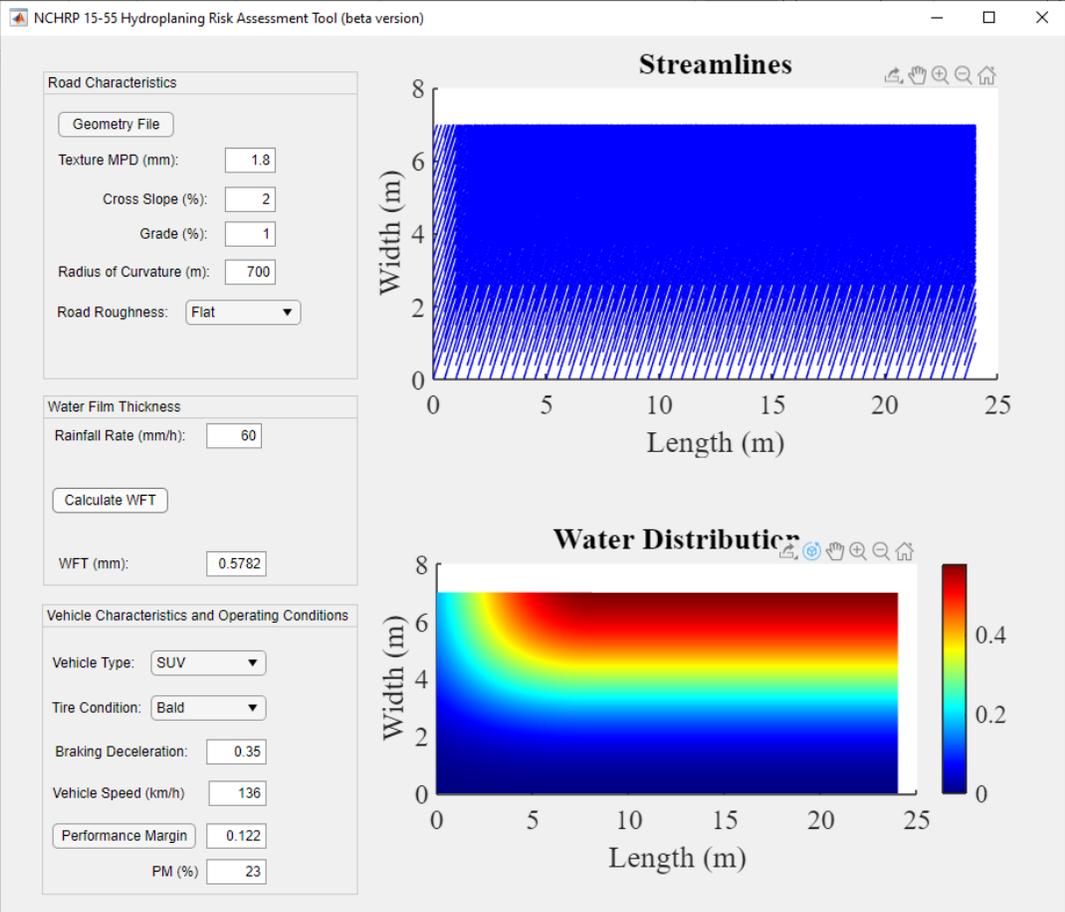
Performance Margin: 0.00

Performance Margin:

PM (%):

P = 0.15

Example – Effect of Macrotexture



MPD = 0.5 mm; WFT = 1.57 mm; $PM_{136km/h} = 0.098$

MPD = 1.8 mm; WFT = 0.58mm; $PM_{136km/h} = 0.122$

5. Final Thoughts



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Final Thoughts

- ✓ There are many pavement-vehicle interactions that impact driving safety and comfort
- ✓ The accumulation on water on the pavement impact the vehicle performance and safety and the comfort of drivers
- ✓ **Splash and Spray** and **Hydroplaning** are two interactions that are difficult to measure directly
- ✓ However they can be modeled and the presentation presented a couple of simple tools to predict them
- ✓ These tools can be used to identify roadway sections in need for interventions and the potential impact of various treatments

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