

Rolling resistance and CO₂

The effect of rolling resistance classes on CO₂ emissions

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Introduction

- Guidance needed for the draft GTR on tire selection
 - Concerns by Japan about the effect of RR on CO₂
 - Input needed to quantify this effect
 - Based on the outcome an informed decision can be made
- This study is sponsored by ICCT



Literature survey

- Effect of RR on CO₂ is quantified by many sources (EPA, CARB, IEA, LAT, TNO, TRL, IEEP, Continental, Michelin etc.)
- Quite good agreement between sources:
10% lower RR will result in 1.5 to 2 % lower CO₂ emissions
- Older literature sources show lower effects than recent sources

Theory

- According to SAE 2008-01-0154 by Michelin, the *relative* effect of RR on CO₂ depends on cycle parameters, engine efficiency etc.

- BUT the *absolute* effect behaves linear:

$$\Delta\text{CO}_2 = \alpha \cdot \Delta C_{\text{RR}} \cdot M$$

- CO₂ effect is better observed as an absolute difference rather than a relative difference

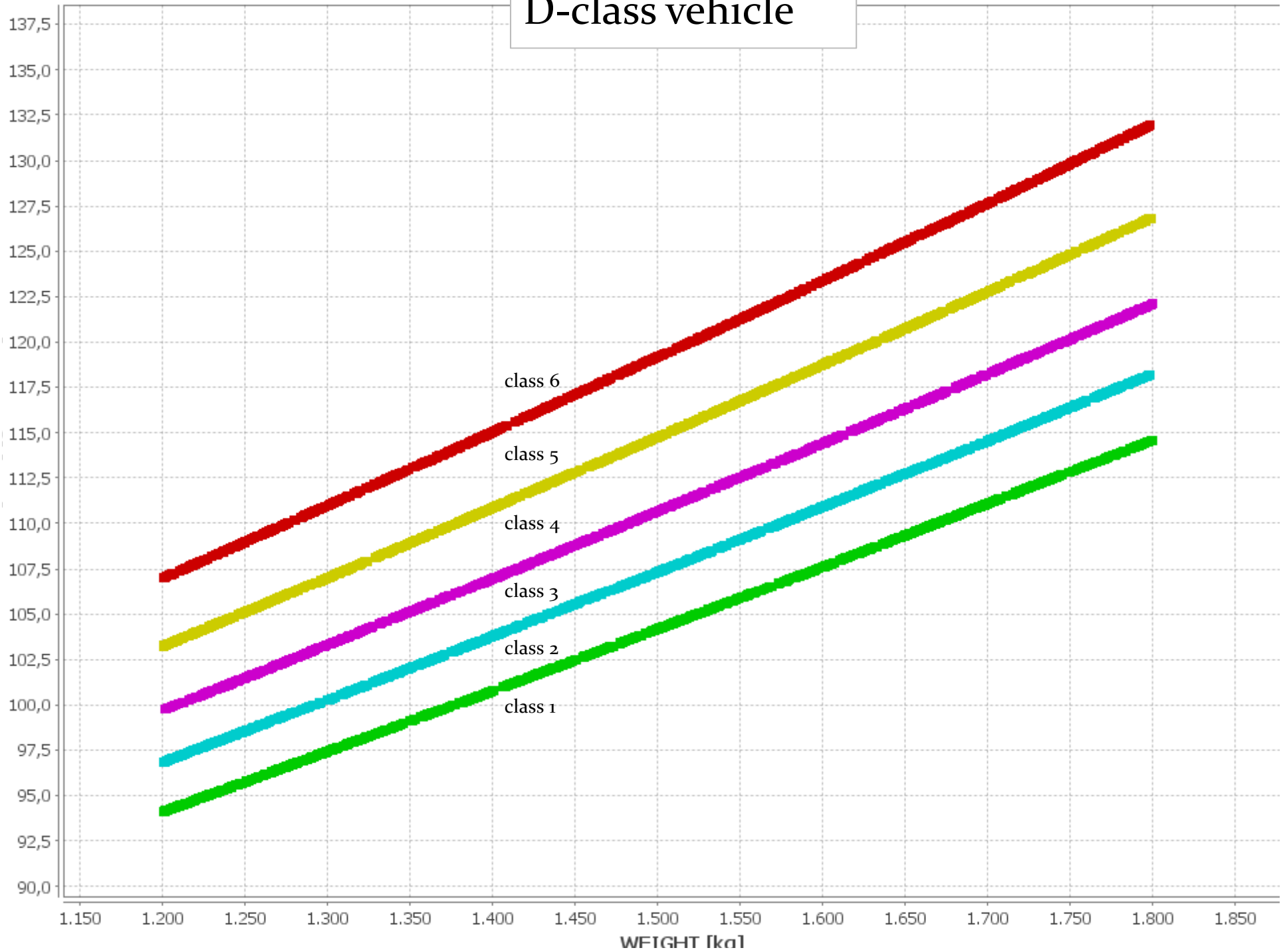


Simulation

- Calculations are based on the Data Visualization Tool, developed by Ricardo (provided by ICCT)
- Simulation tool for different LD vehicle configurations, engines and transmissions in the 2020-2025 timeframe
- Analysis through parameter variations

For more information, refer to the report "Computer Simulation of Light Duty Vehicle Technologies for Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction in the 2020–2025 Timeframe" (RD.10/157405.8; Ricardo and SRA, 2011)

D-class vehicle



Results for D-class vehicle

Absolute CO₂ differences between RR classes

NEDC simulation	Lowest CO ₂ difference [g/km]	Highest CO ₂ difference [g/km]
Low weight (1200 kg)	2.9	3.6
High weight (1800 kg)	3.7	5.1

FTP simulation	Lowest CO ₂ difference [g/km]	Highest CO ₂ difference [g/km]
Low weight (1200 kg)	2.7	3.9
High weight (1800 kg)	3.2	3.3

Simulation results

CO₂ difference is 2-5 g/km, depending on RR class and vehicle weight

These results have restrictions:

- Only NEDC / FTP results, not WLTC
 - Vehicle/engine/transmission configurations cannot be checked
 - Fairly straightforward simulation method
- Absolute effect on CO₂ over WLTC expected to be similar

Conclusions

- Literature sources and simulations suggest that 15% change in RR results in about 3% change in CO₂
- Effect of RR on CO₂ is absolute, not relative.
- The absolute differences in NEDC CO₂ between RR classes will amount to 2-5 g/km, depending on the vehicle weight and RR class.
- Differences are higher for heavier vehicles and for the worst RR classes.
- Absolute differences are expected to be similar for WLTC
- Discussion needed to decide if these differences are acceptable



Questions & discussion

Input/output

Input (2 scenarios)

- B-class LD vehicle 2020 (e.g. Toyota Yaris)
- D-class LD vehicle 2020 (e.g. Ford Mondeo)
- Engine: DI-Stoichiometric with turbo
- Transmission: Dry DCT (6 resp. 8 gears)

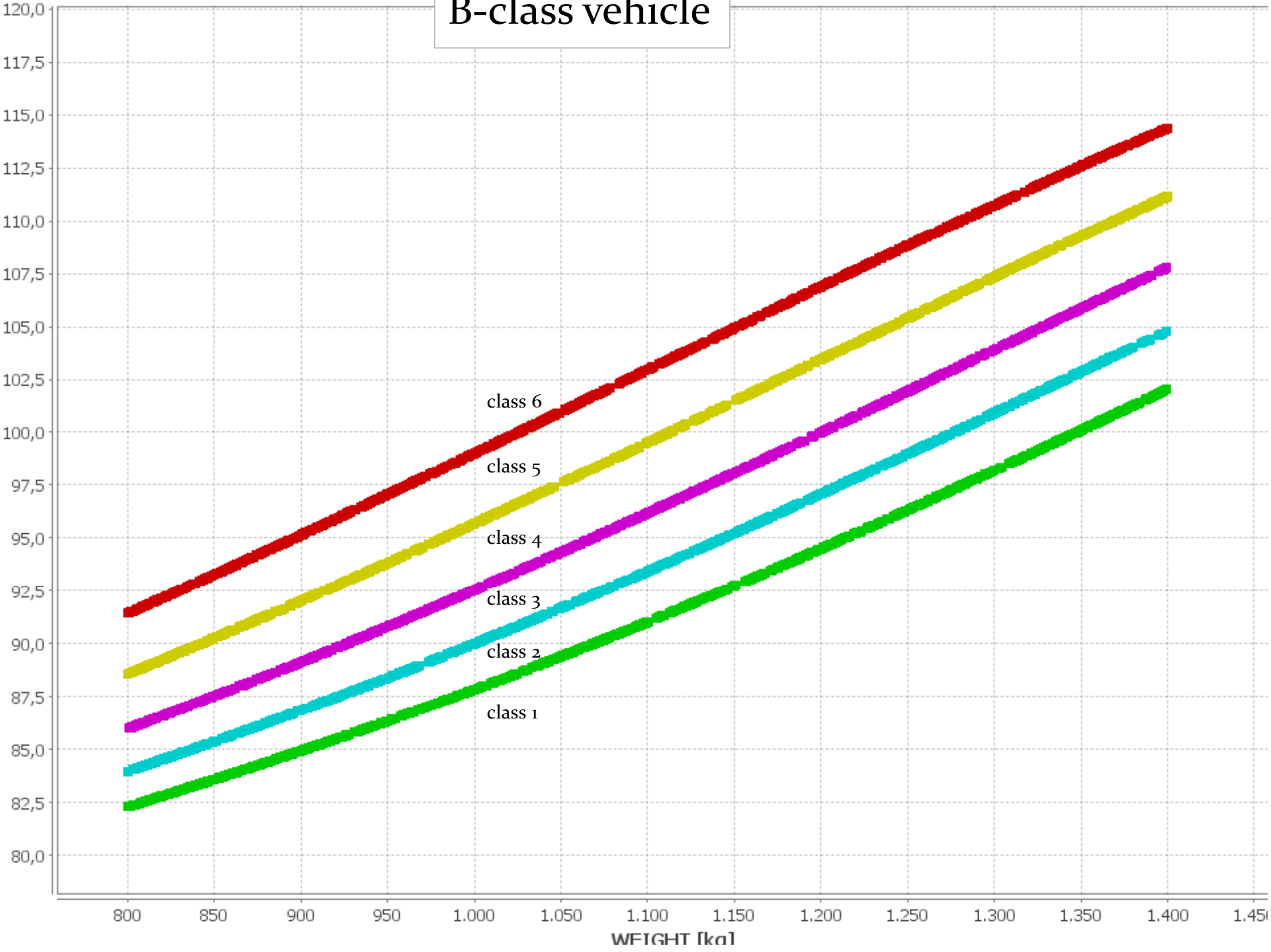
Parameters

- Rolling resistance: boundaries of RR classes
- Weight: (800 to 1400 kg resp. 1200 to 1800 kg)

Output

CO₂ emissions over NEDC and FTP

B-class vehicle



Results for B-class vehicle

Absolute CO₂ differences between RR classes

NEDC simulation	Lowest CO ₂ difference [g/km]	Highest CO ₂ difference [g/km]
Low weight (800 kg)	1.7	2.9
High weight (1400 kg)	2.8	3.4

FTP simulation	Lowest CO ₂ difference [g/km]	Highest CO ₂ difference [g/km]
Low weight (800 kg)	1.8	2.8
High weight (1400 kg)	3.1	4.3