



Emissions Scenarios for Stream 2 Simulations

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Aims and Activities of RT7

- Main scientific task: To test the sensitivity of emission scenarios to climate change
- Preliminary result: Feedback on CO2 is small, because regional ups and downs cancel - now adding sulphur, may be run with slab ocean model
- Major service task: Stabilisation scenarios
- Miscellaneous task: New emission scenarios









Stabilisation scenarios

- Aka emission reduction scenarios
- Emission reduction from a variety of baseline emission scenarios
- Four emission reduction targets, so that there is no middle
- No round numbers (3.4 / 4.7 / 5.8 / 6.7 Wm⁻²) so that people won't think these numbers aren't random
- Full when, where and what flexibility, because this is the only implementation that is uniquely defined



By coincidence, these are also the US CCSP scenarios and the EMF22 scenarios to be





Land use pattern in 450 ppm mitigation scenario (2100)









- Emissions results for 5 models
- Land use results for 2 models
- With 4 targets and 4 baselines, this makes 80 scenarios
- The scenario groups all have a simple climate model
- Probably best to pick the one or two emission reduction scenario that deviates most from the baseline scenarios
- The political discussion seems to be between doing nothing (brown US), 650 ppm (green US, brown EU), and 450 ppm (brown EU)









Baseline scenarios

- IPCC SRES scenarios severely criticised, tempers still high
- IPCC will not develop new scenarios, unclear who will coordinate new scenario development, if anyone
- IIASA and RIVM will only publish minor updates of SRES
- CIRED and U Hamburg are working on new scenarios, but have no track record
- Minor complications: There is no budget, and the deliverable for Sep 06 was added only in Feb 06











Conclusions



- Don't worry about the feedback of climate change on emissions scenarios
- Emission reduction scenarios are ready you just have to decide:
 - how many and which (2: 450, 650)
 - from which model (IMAGE)
 - from which baseline (A1B)
 - in what format (Excel)
 - where (RT7 website)
 - when (July 1)
 - will organise discussion on web
- New baseline scenarios are being worked on - and something will be ready by



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