

# **Ecosystem goods and services and human vulnerability**

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# Ecosystem goods and services and human vulnerability

## A. Preamble – a view on vulnerability

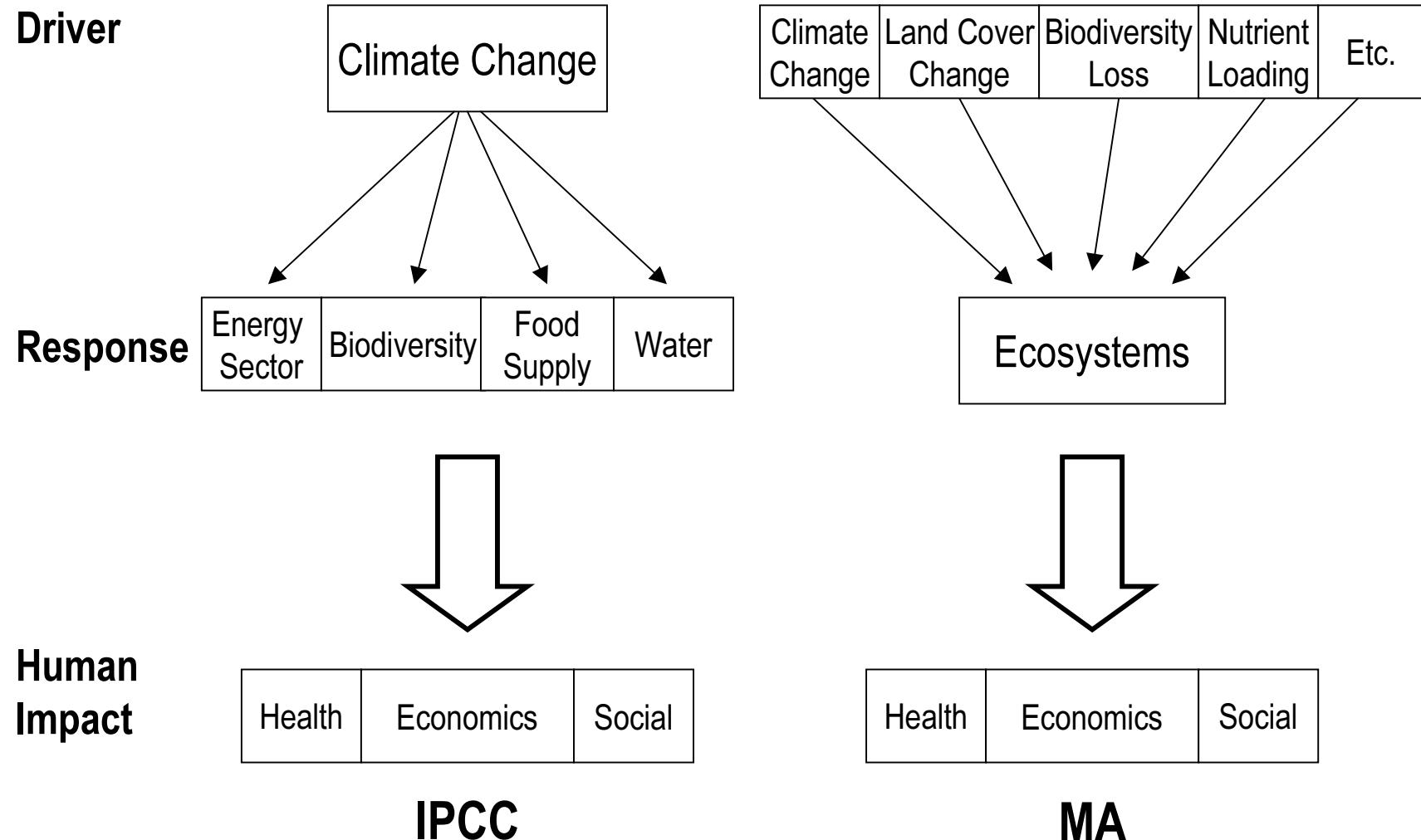
# Vulnerability...

...is the degree to which  
an ecosystem service is **sensitive** to  
global change

**plus**

the degree to which the sector that relies  
on this service is **unable to cope with**  
the changes

# Multiple drivers of ecosystem services



# Ecosystem goods and services

(as defined by the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment)

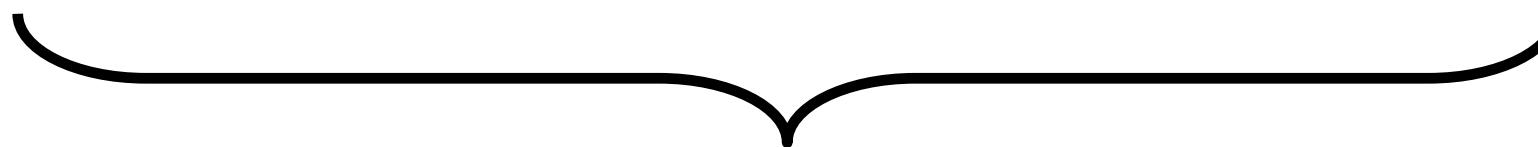
Agricultural  
Lands

Coastal  
Zones

Forest  
Lands

Freshwater  
Systems

Arid Lands &  
Grasslands



**Food and Fiber Production**

**Provision of Pure and Sufficient Water**

**Maintenance of Human Health**

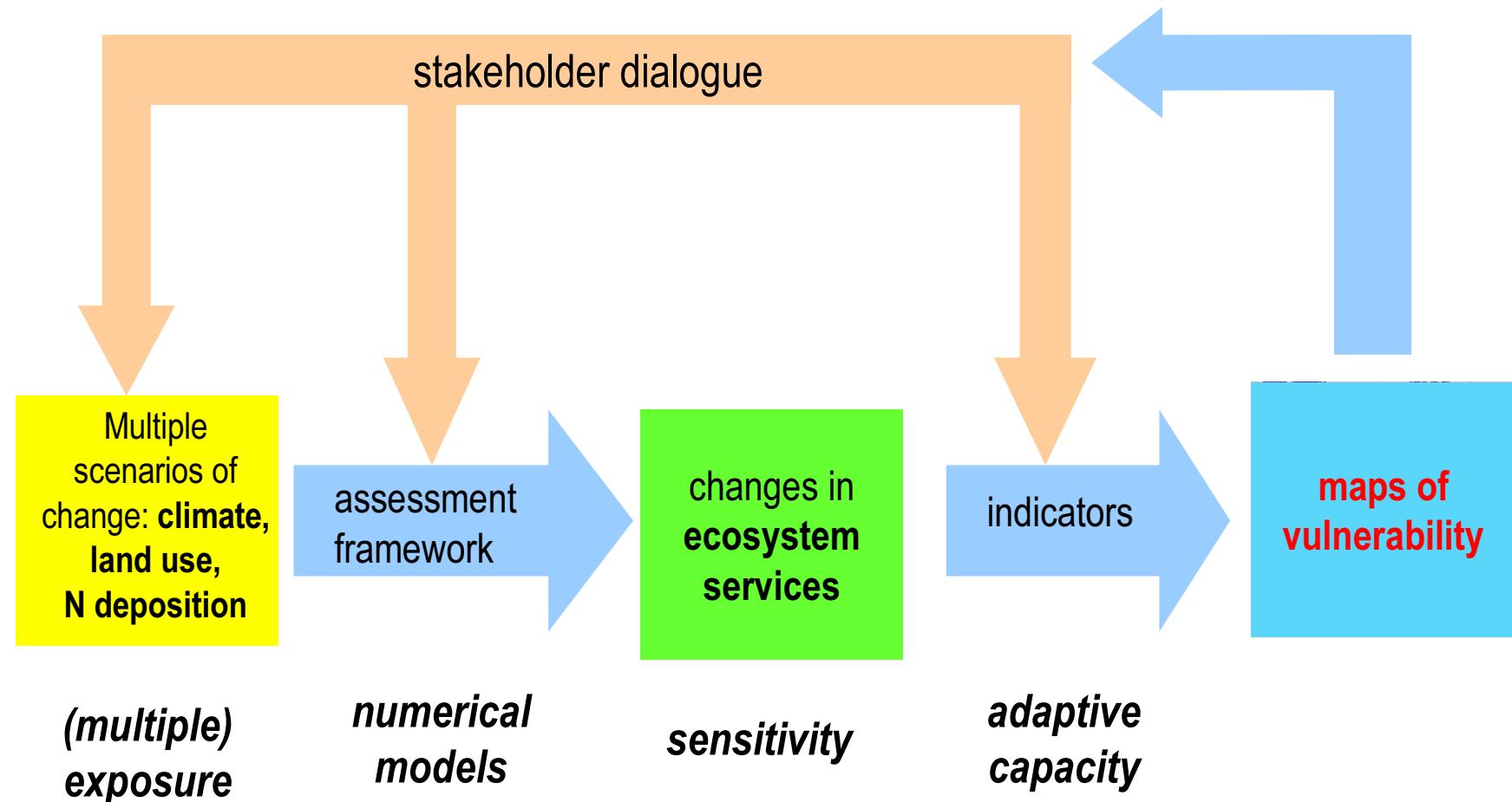
**Maintenance of Biodiversity**

**Storage of Carbon, Nitrogen, Phosphorus**

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- B. The European ecosystem vulnerability project ATEAM/AVEC – implications for the European carbon balance

# The ATEAM framework



# Ecosystem services and indicators

Sectors	Services	Indicators (examples)
<b>Agriculture</b>	Food & fibre production Biofuels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Crop yield, yield variability &amp; profitability</li><li>•Physical suitability of crops</li></ul>
<b>Forestry</b>	Wood production Biofuels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Tree productivity</li><li>•Biomass energy wood suitability and yield</li></ul>
<b>C storage &amp; Energy</b>	Carbon storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Carbon storage in Vegetation &amp; Soil</li></ul>
<b>Water</b>	Water supply Drought & flood prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Stream flow quantity &amp; quality</li></ul>
<b>Biodiversity &amp; Nature Conservation</b>	Aesthetics Landscape diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Species richness &amp; persistence</li><li>•Habitat richness</li></ul>
<b>Mountains</b>	Tourism & Recreation Carbon and Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Snow dynamics</li><li>•Slope stability</li></ul>

# Multisectoral assessment in ATEAM

Agriculture



Forestry



Carbon Storage  
& Energy



Water



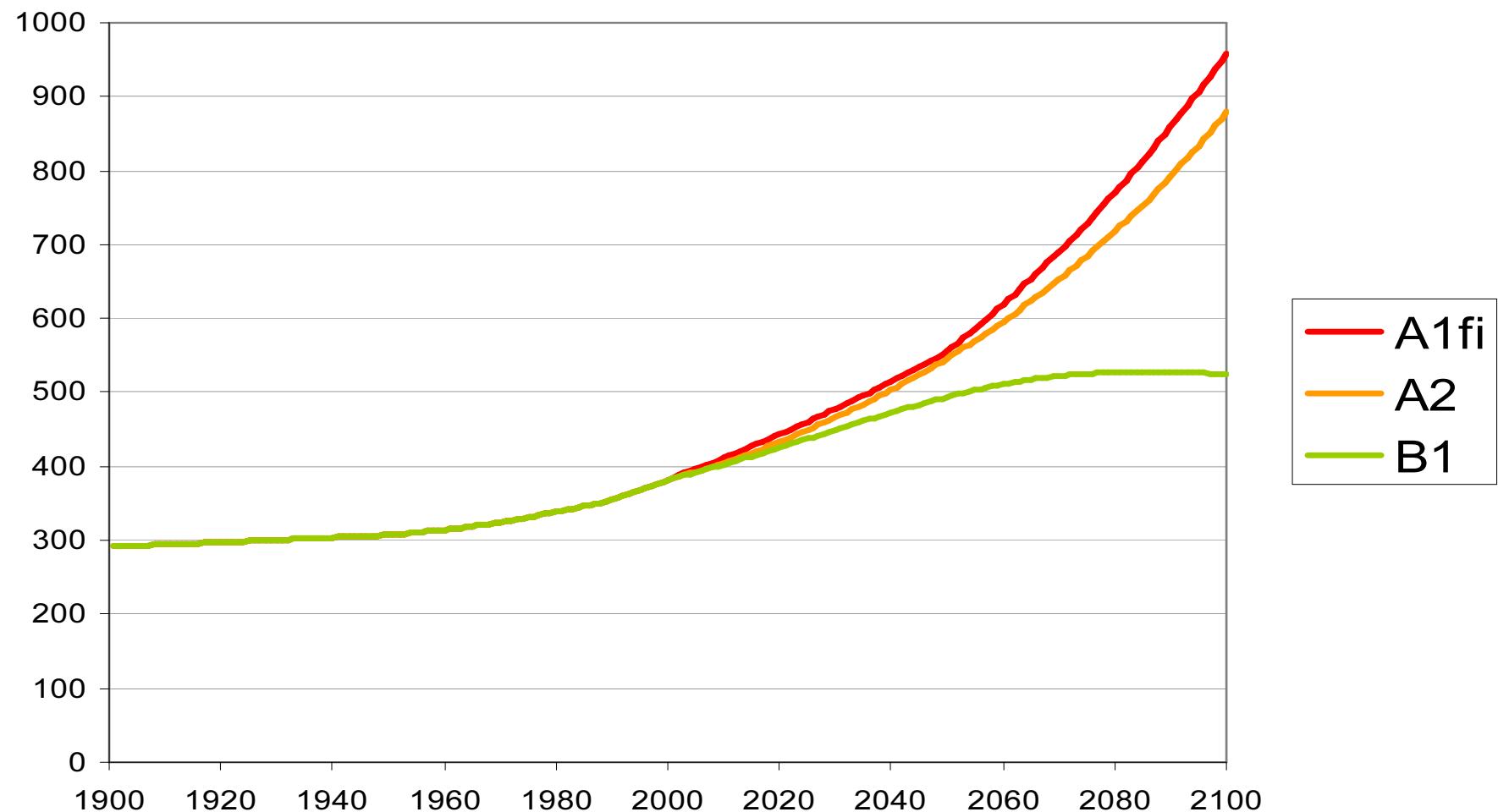
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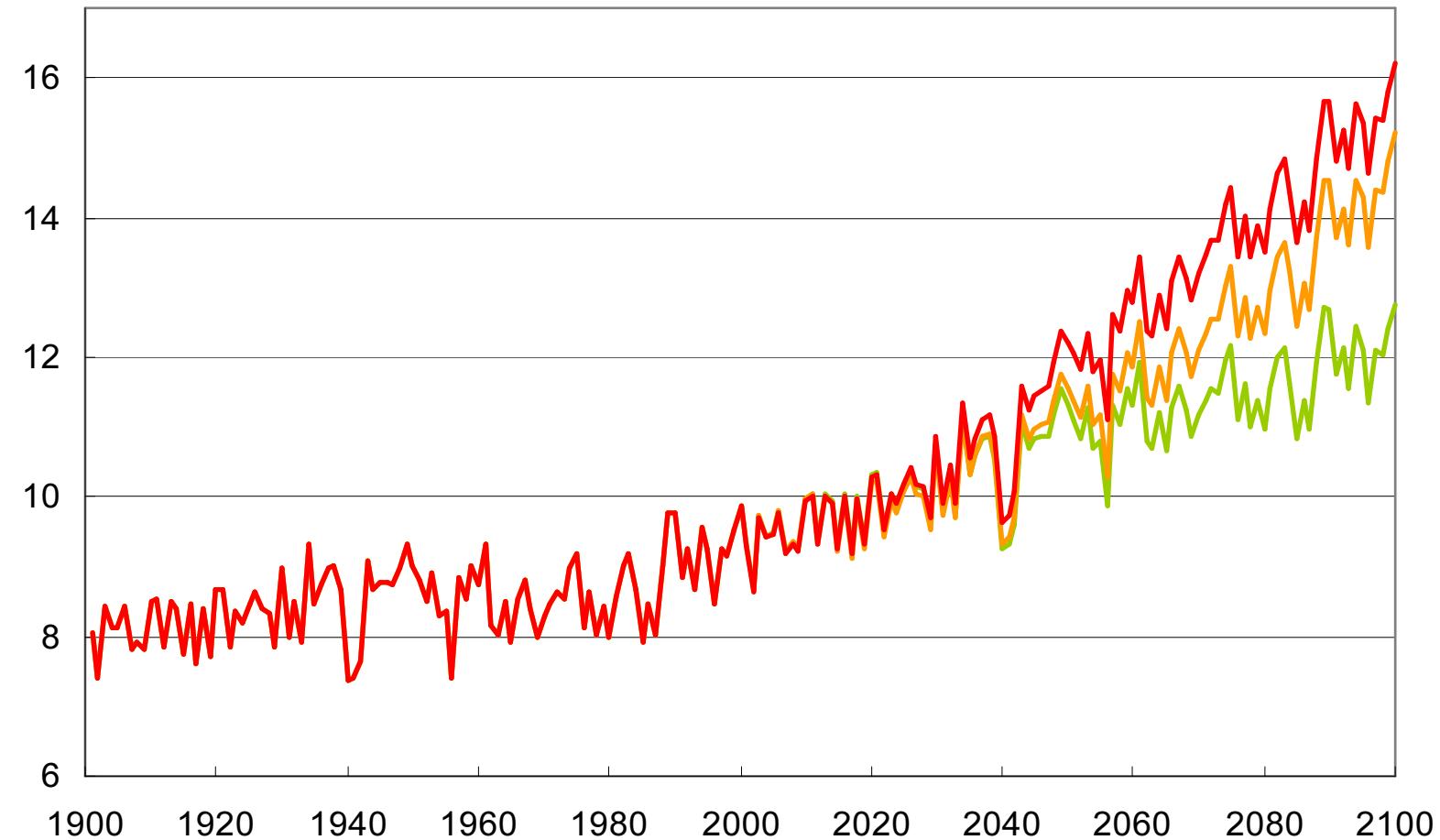
Mountains



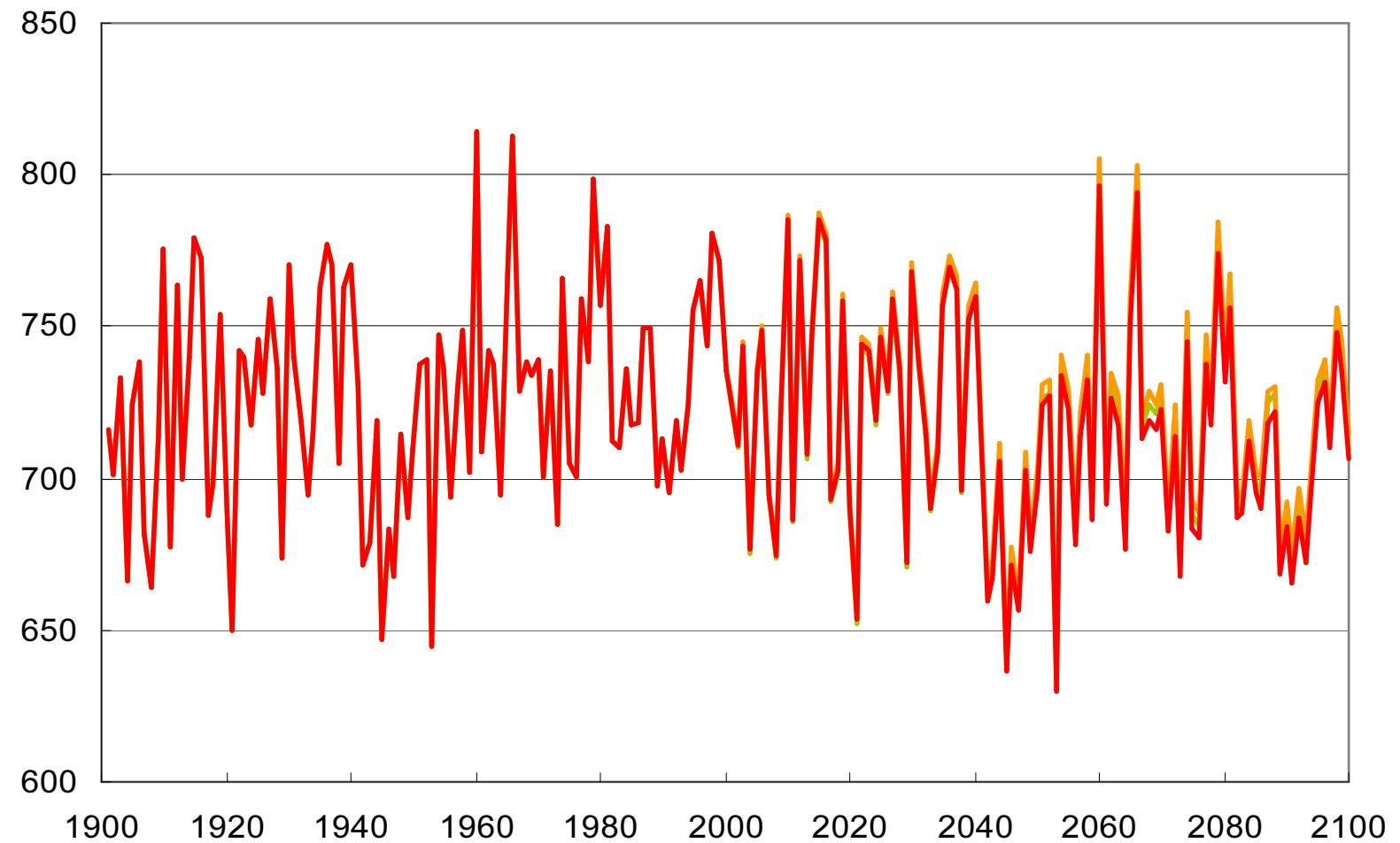
# CO<sub>2</sub> concentration (ppmv)



# Temperature (deg C)

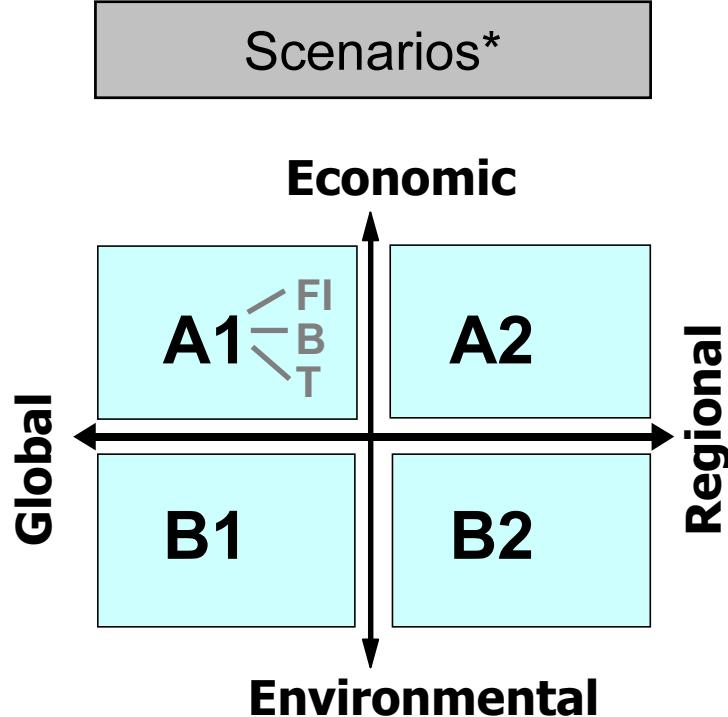


# Precipitation (mm)



# Methodology

ATEAM, Land use change



Land use types

Urban

Agriculture

Forestry

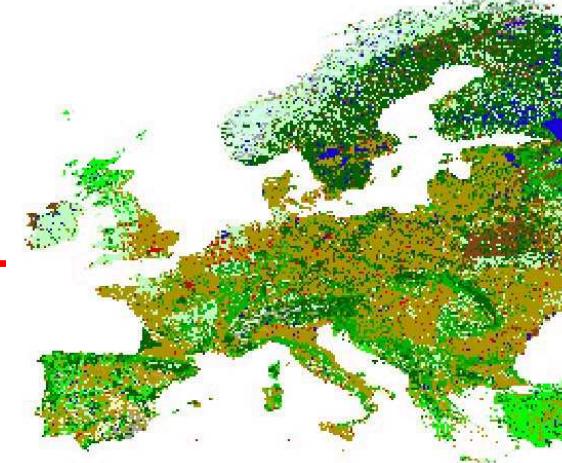
Protected areas

Time slices

2020

2050

2080



Food crops

Grassland/fodder

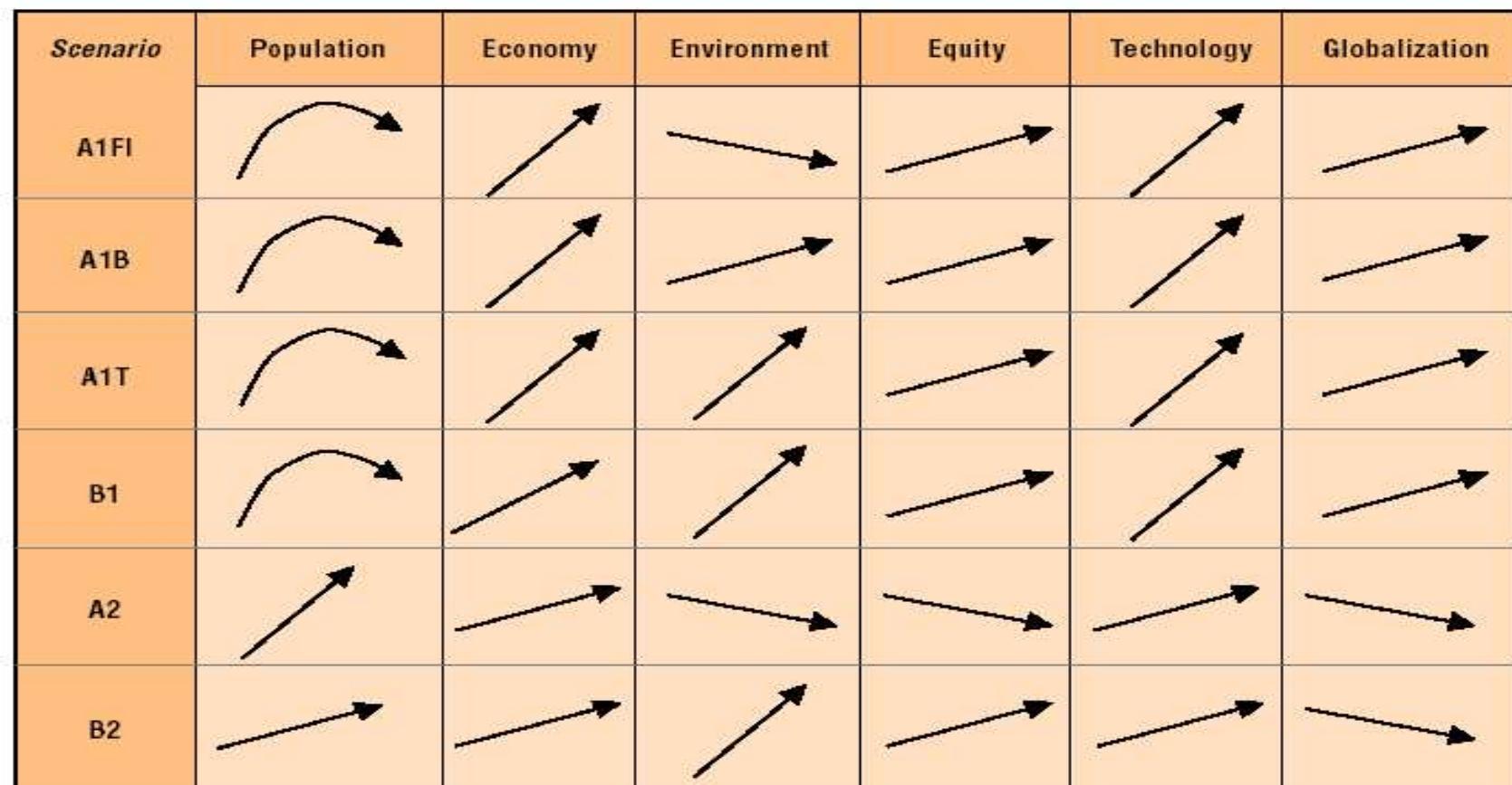
Biofuels

Spatial resolution

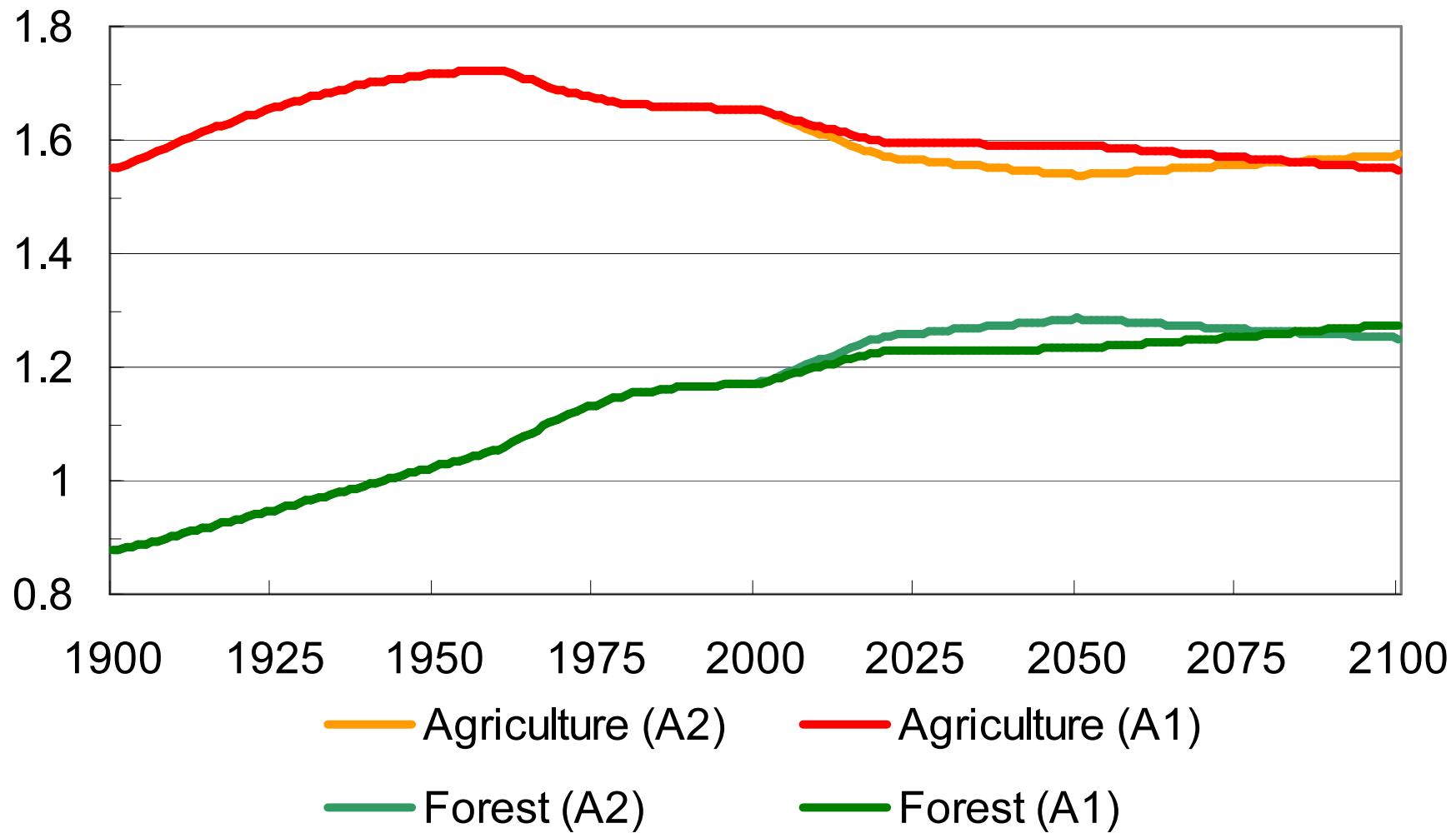
10' grid

\*IPCC Special Report on  
Emissions Scenarios (SRES)

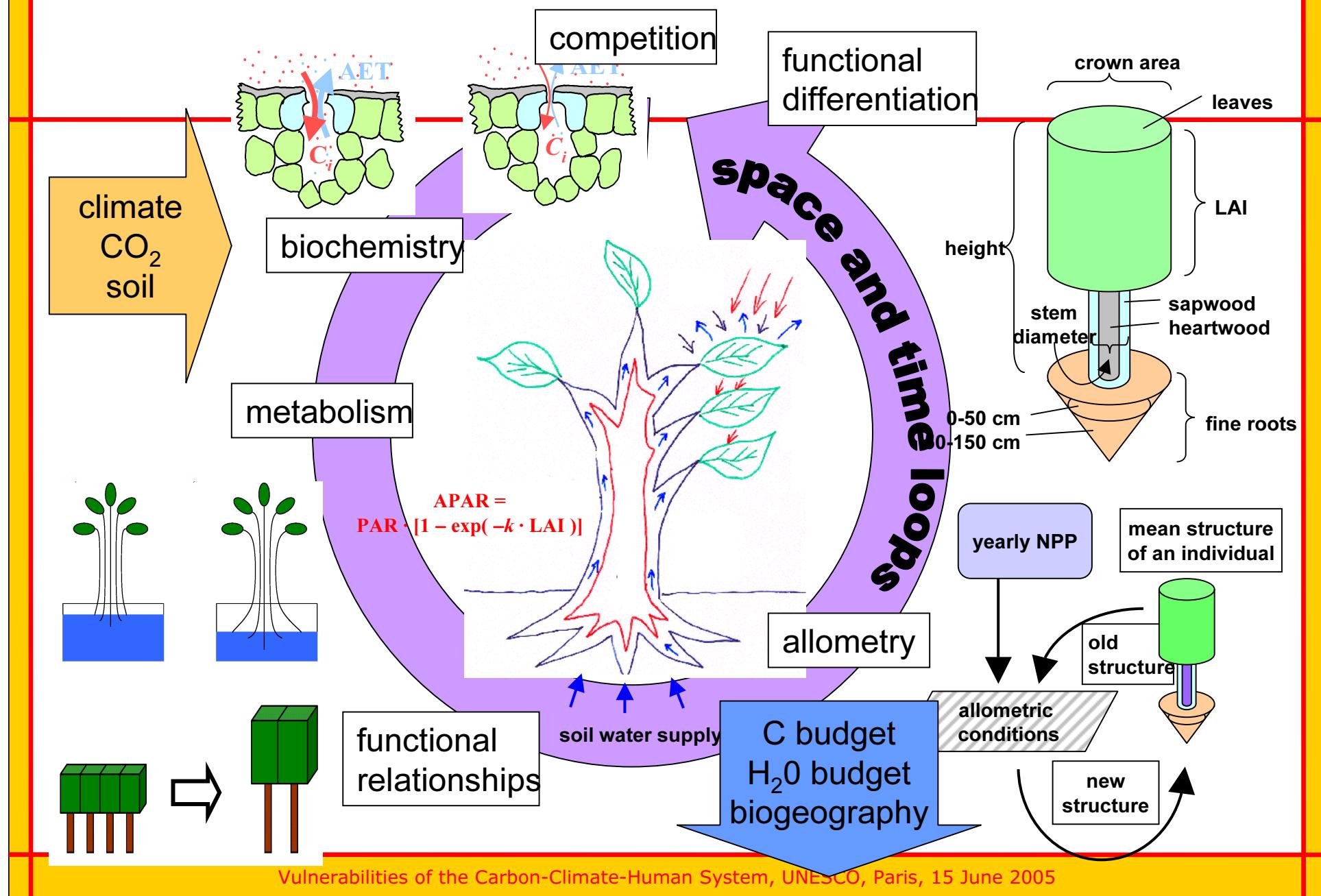
# Global scenarios (SRES)



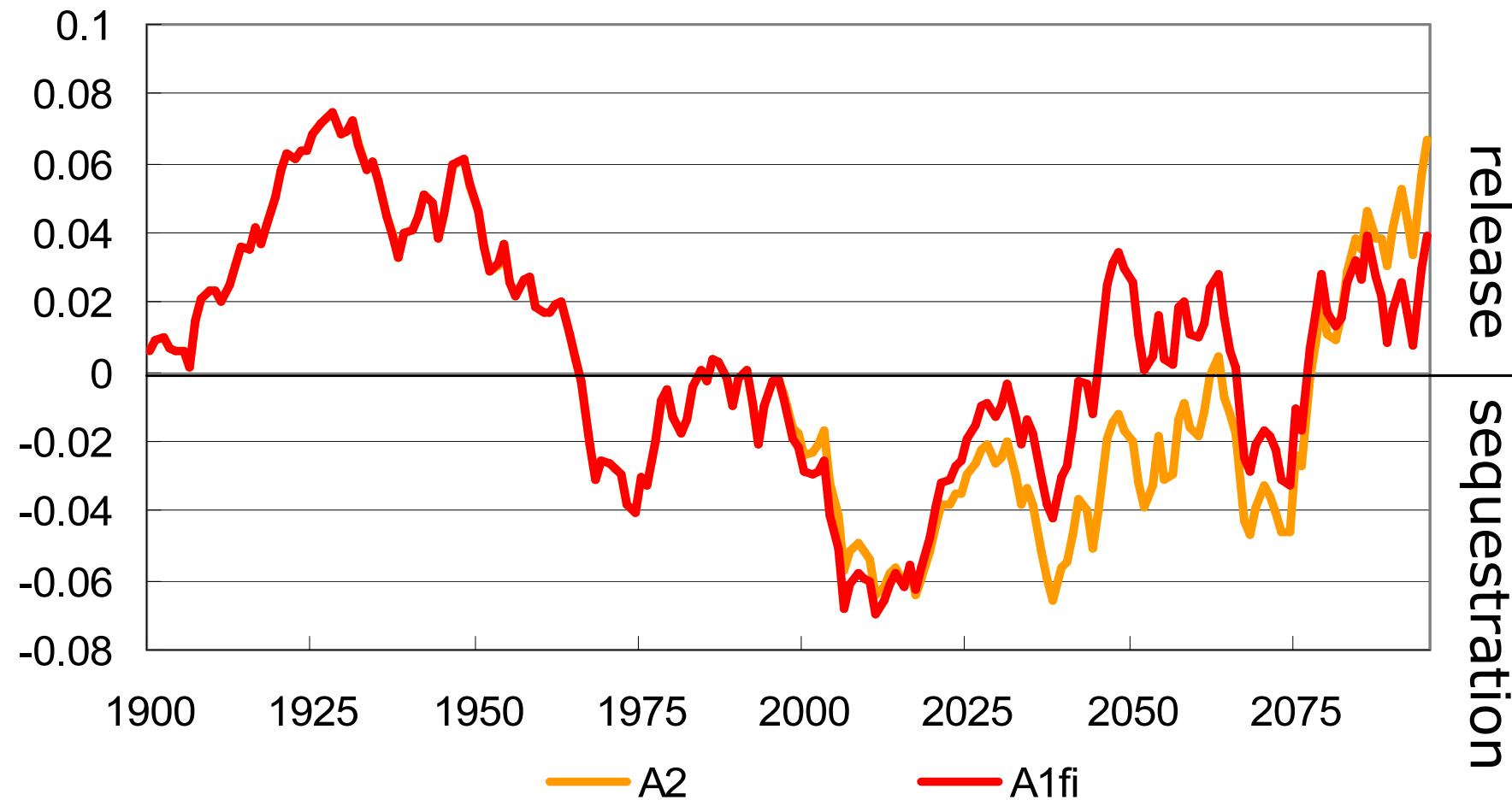
# Land use change ( $10^6 \text{ km}^2$ )



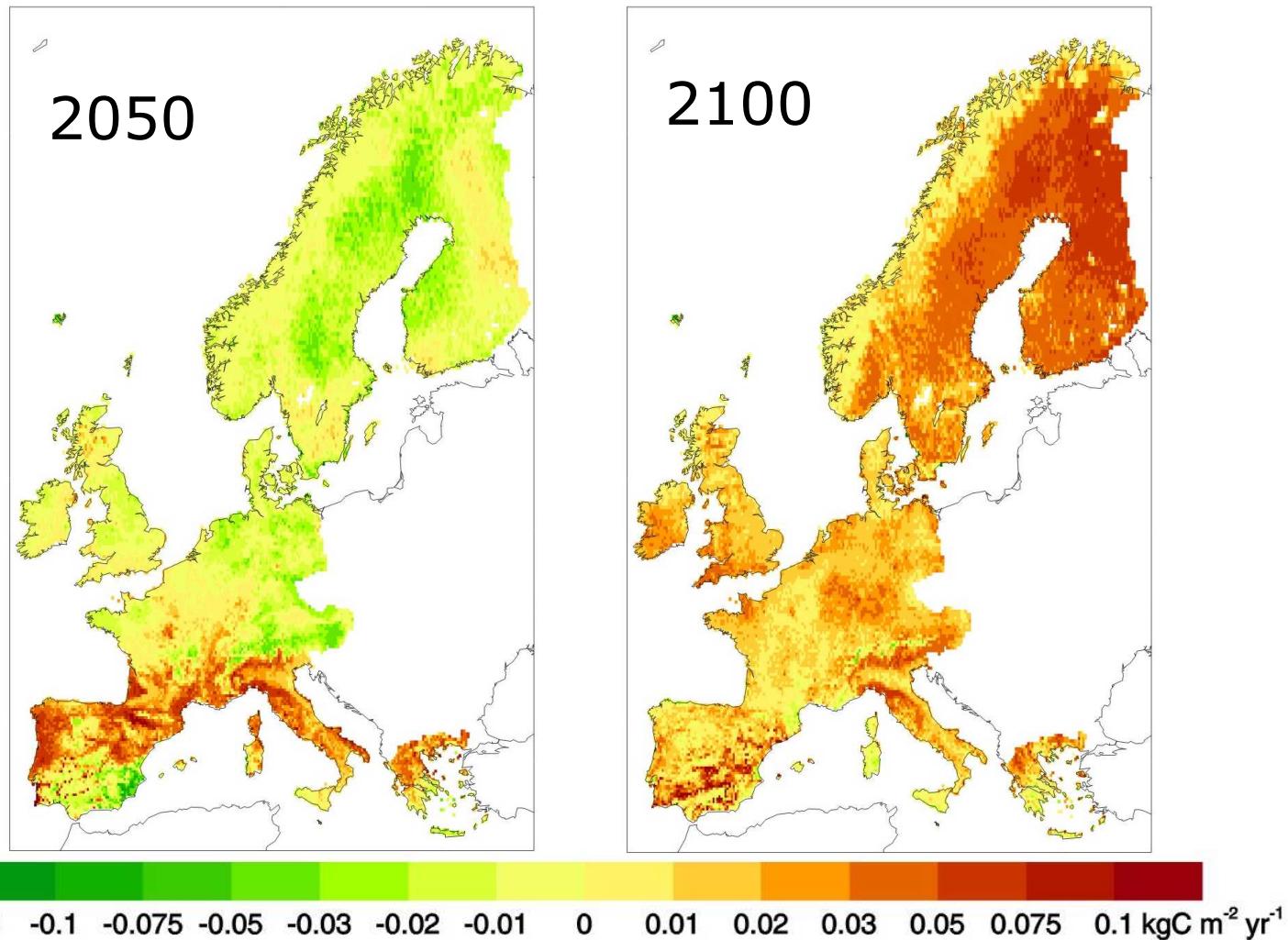
# The LPJ DGVM



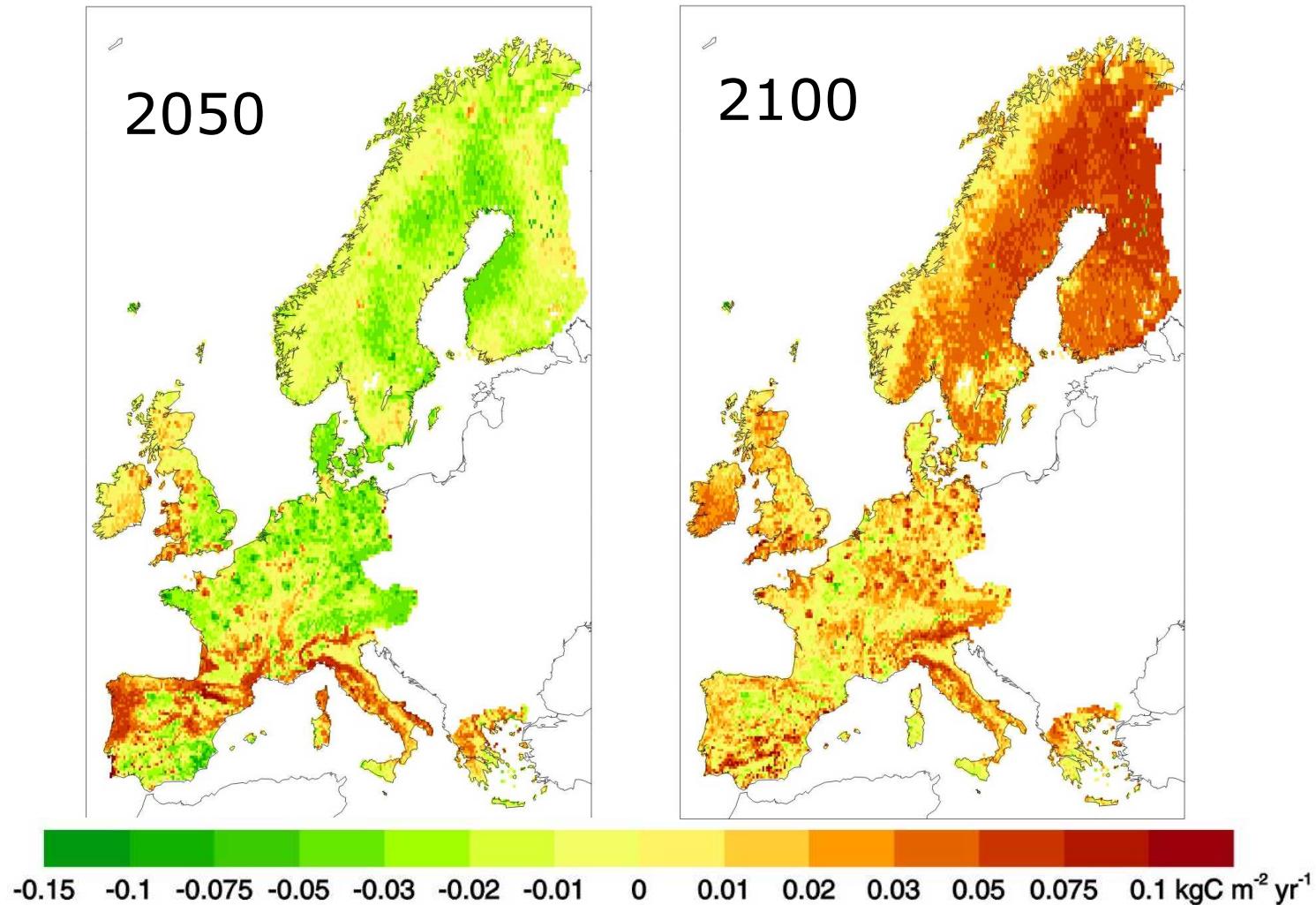
# Ecosystem carbon storage (NBE, Gt C/yr)



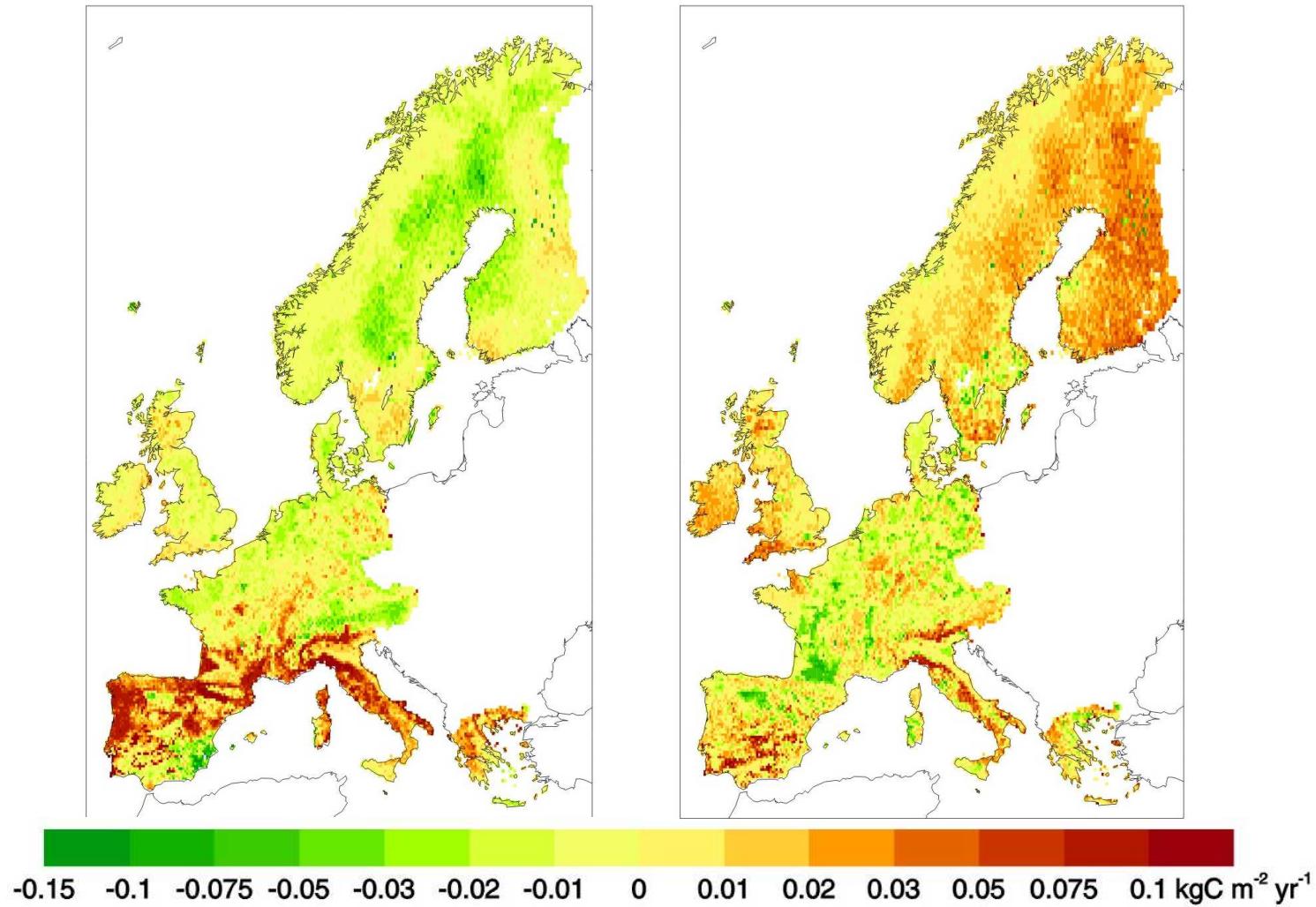
# A2-CC scenario changing carbon storage



# A2-LUCC scenario changing carbon storage



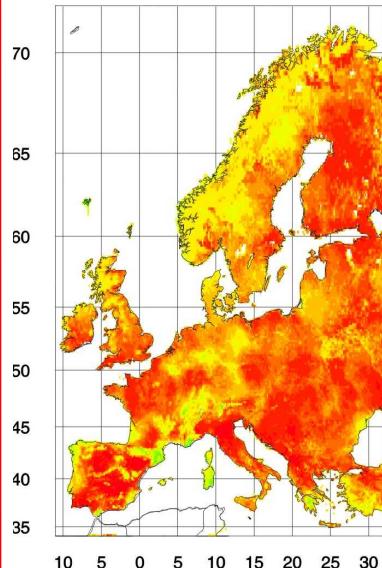
# B1-LUCC scenario changing carbon storage



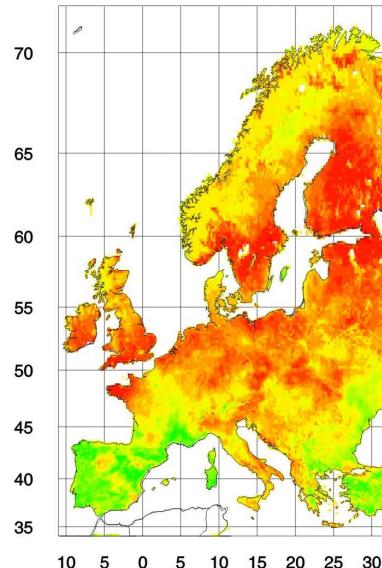
# NEE Anomaly 2091-2100

## (A2 Emission-Scenario)

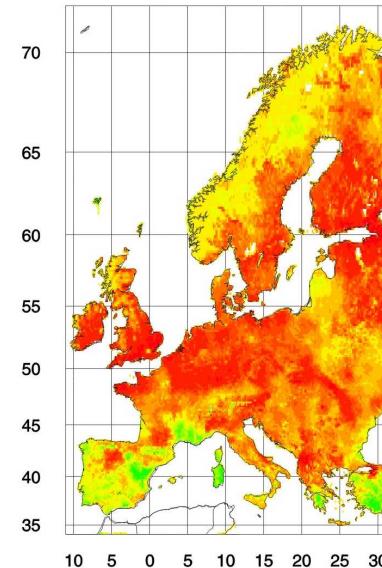
HADCM3



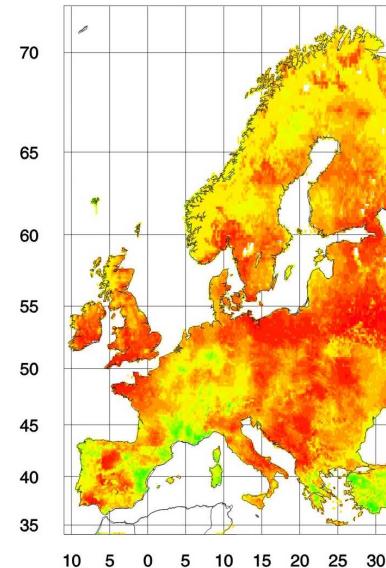
PCM



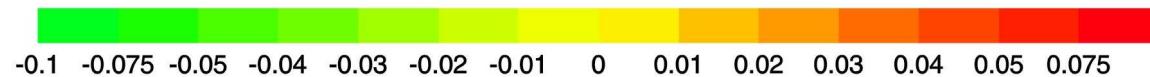
CSIRO2



CGCM2

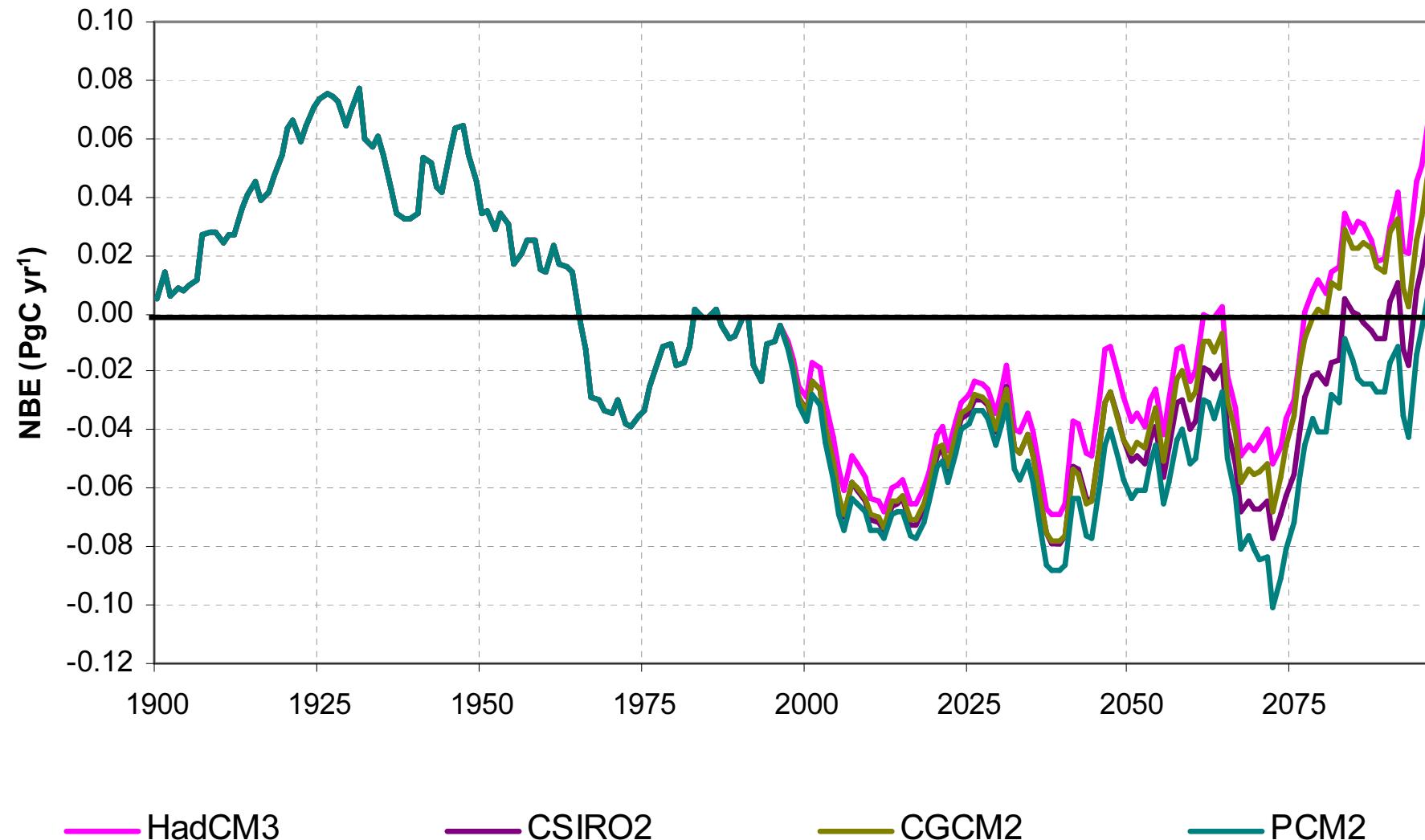


Net Ecosystem Exchange Anomaly (kg C/m<sup>2</sup>/year)



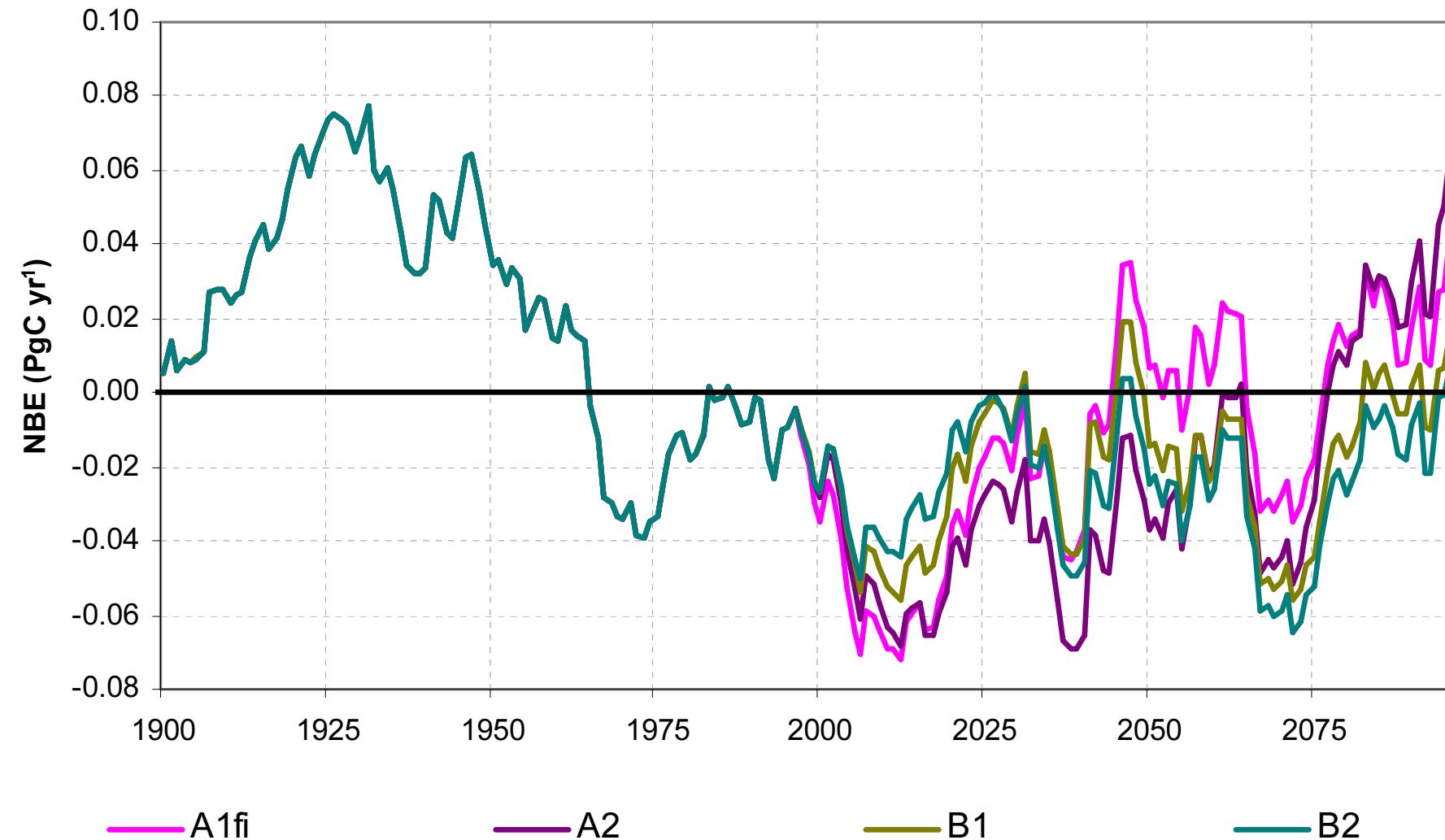
# Climate model uncertainty

(same emission scenario: A2)



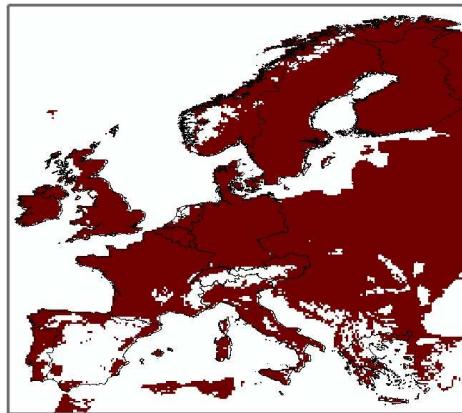
# Emission scenario uncertainty

(same climate model· HadCM3)

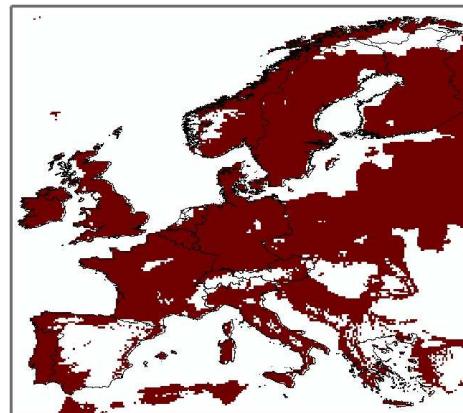


# Biofuel suitability

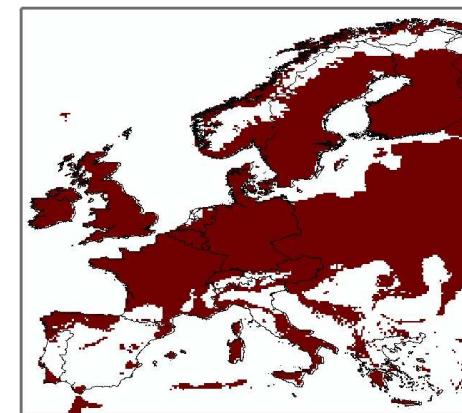
A1FI  
2080  
HADCM3



Liquids

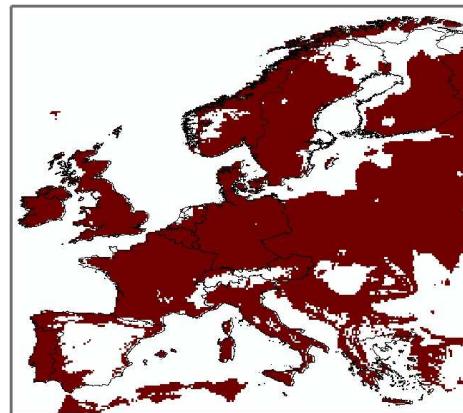
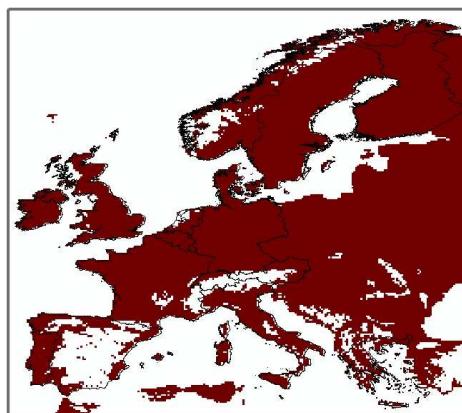


Non-woody



Woody

A2  
2080  
HADCM3



Source of data: Gill Tuck, Rothamsted Experimental Station

Vulnerabilities of the Carbon-Climate-Human System, UNESCO, Paris, 15 June 2005

# ATEAM Partners



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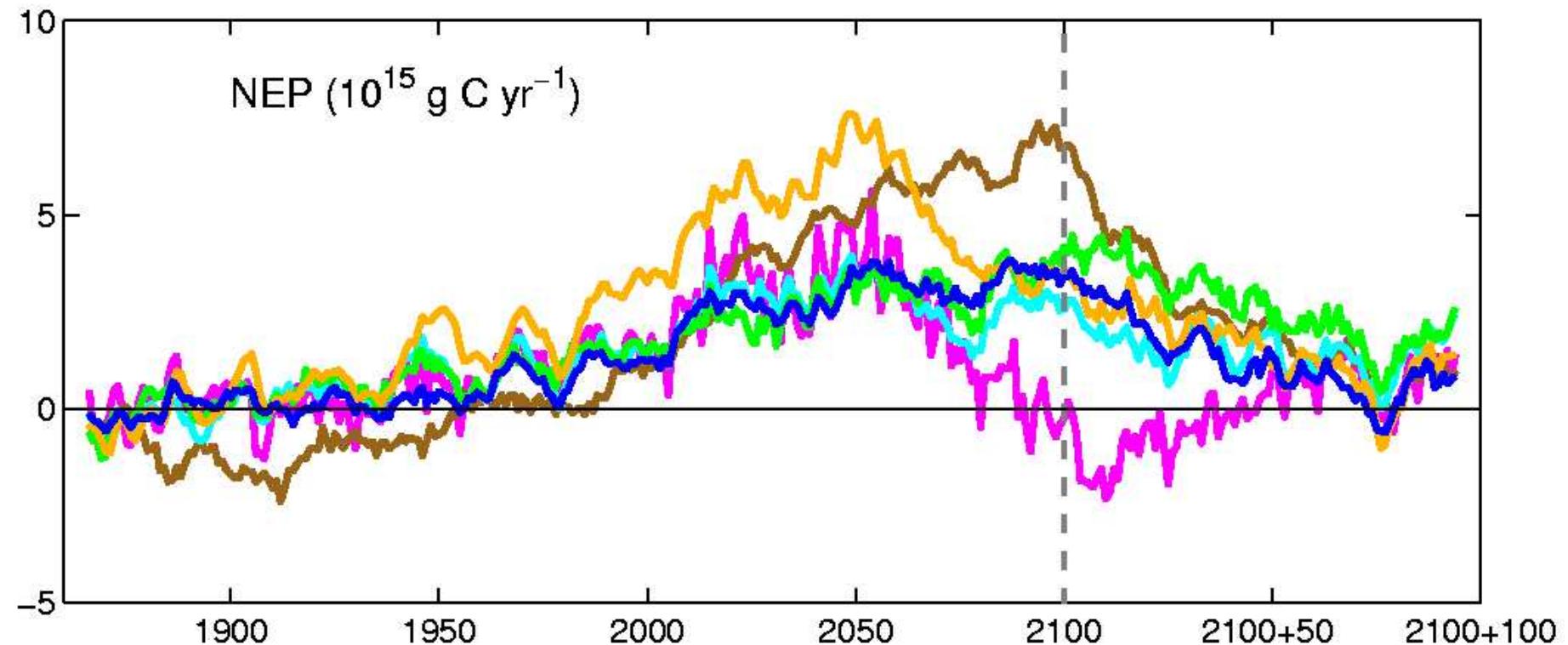


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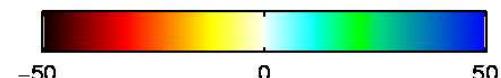
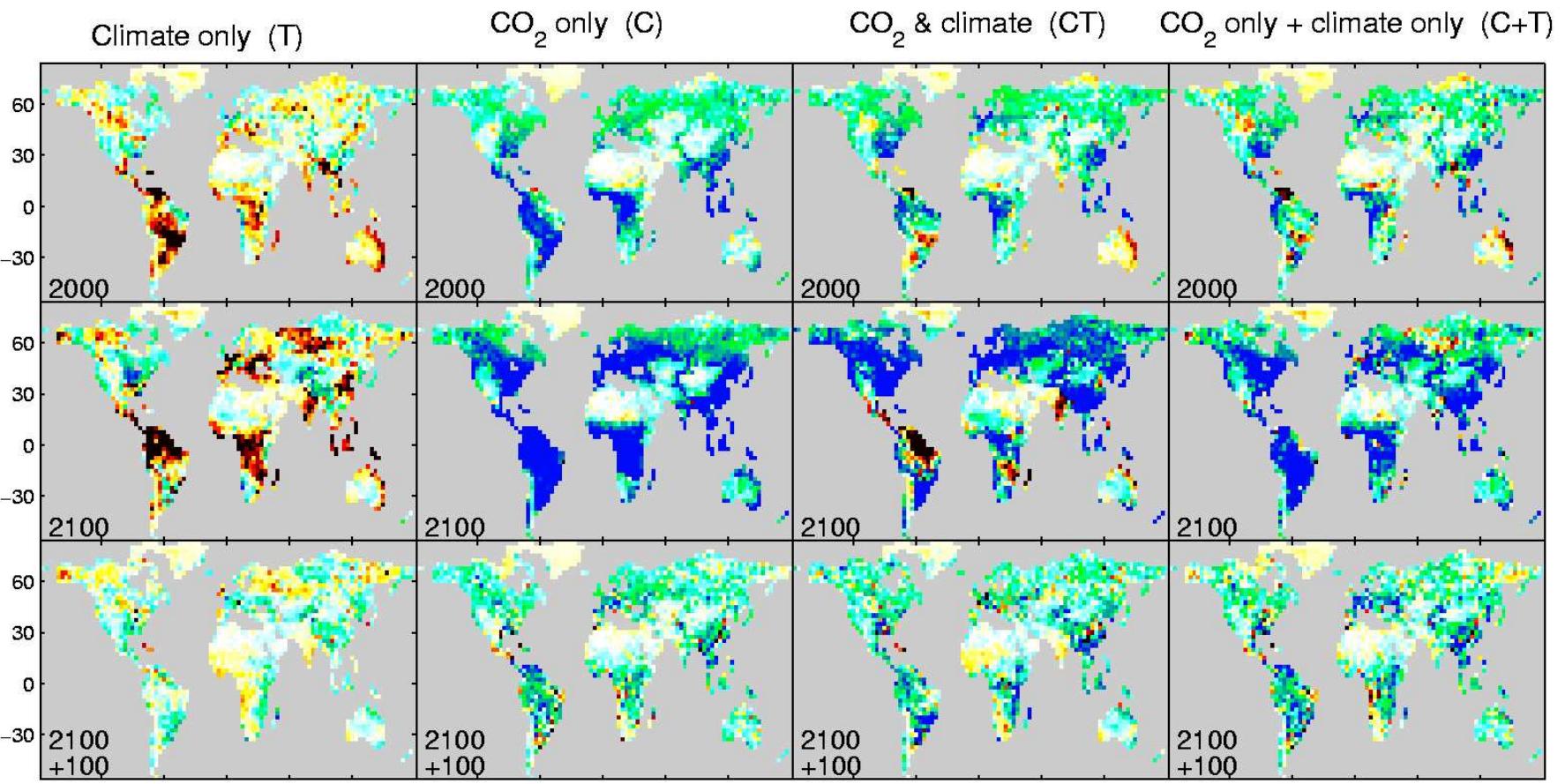
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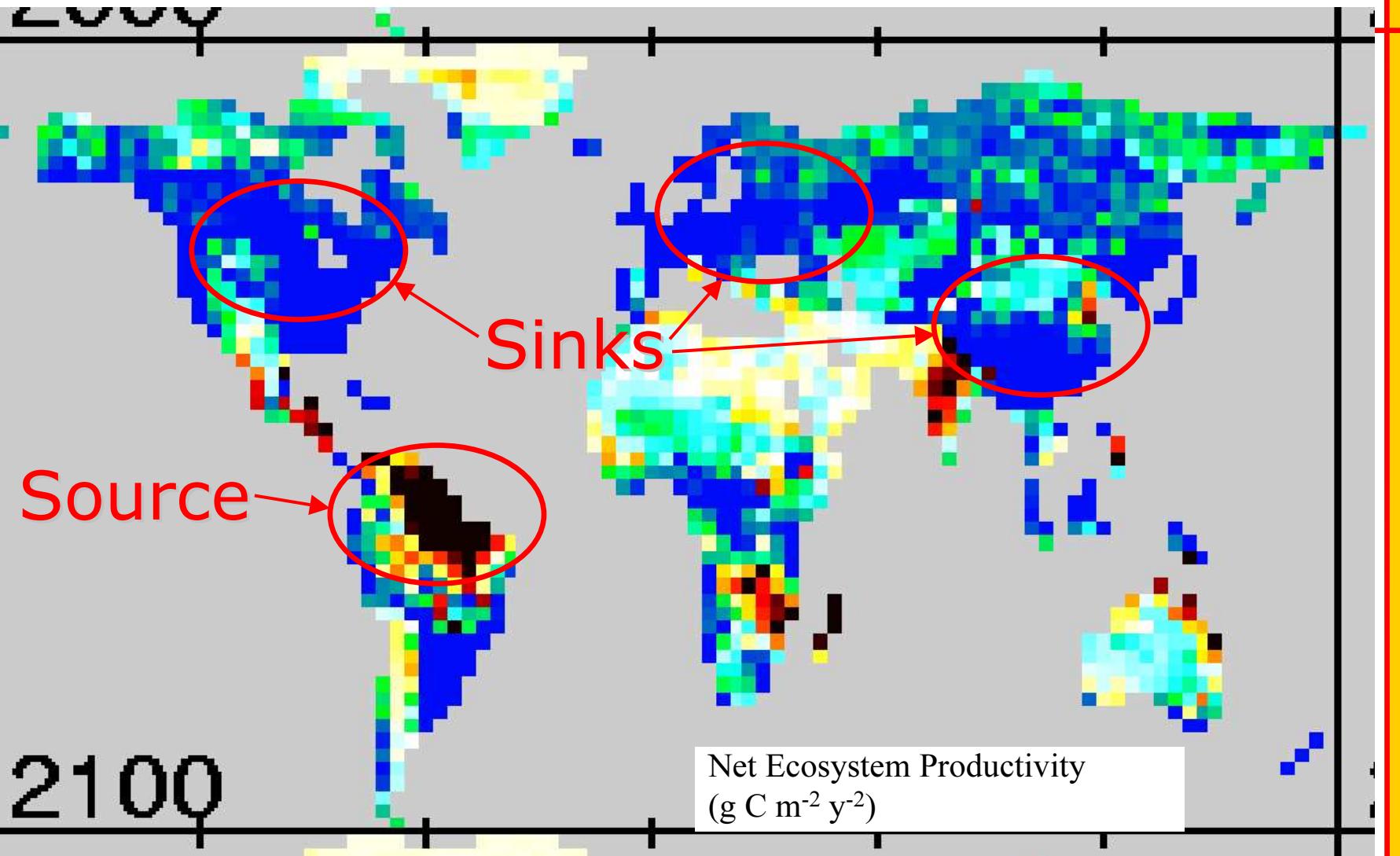
# Global net ecosystem productivity (NEP)



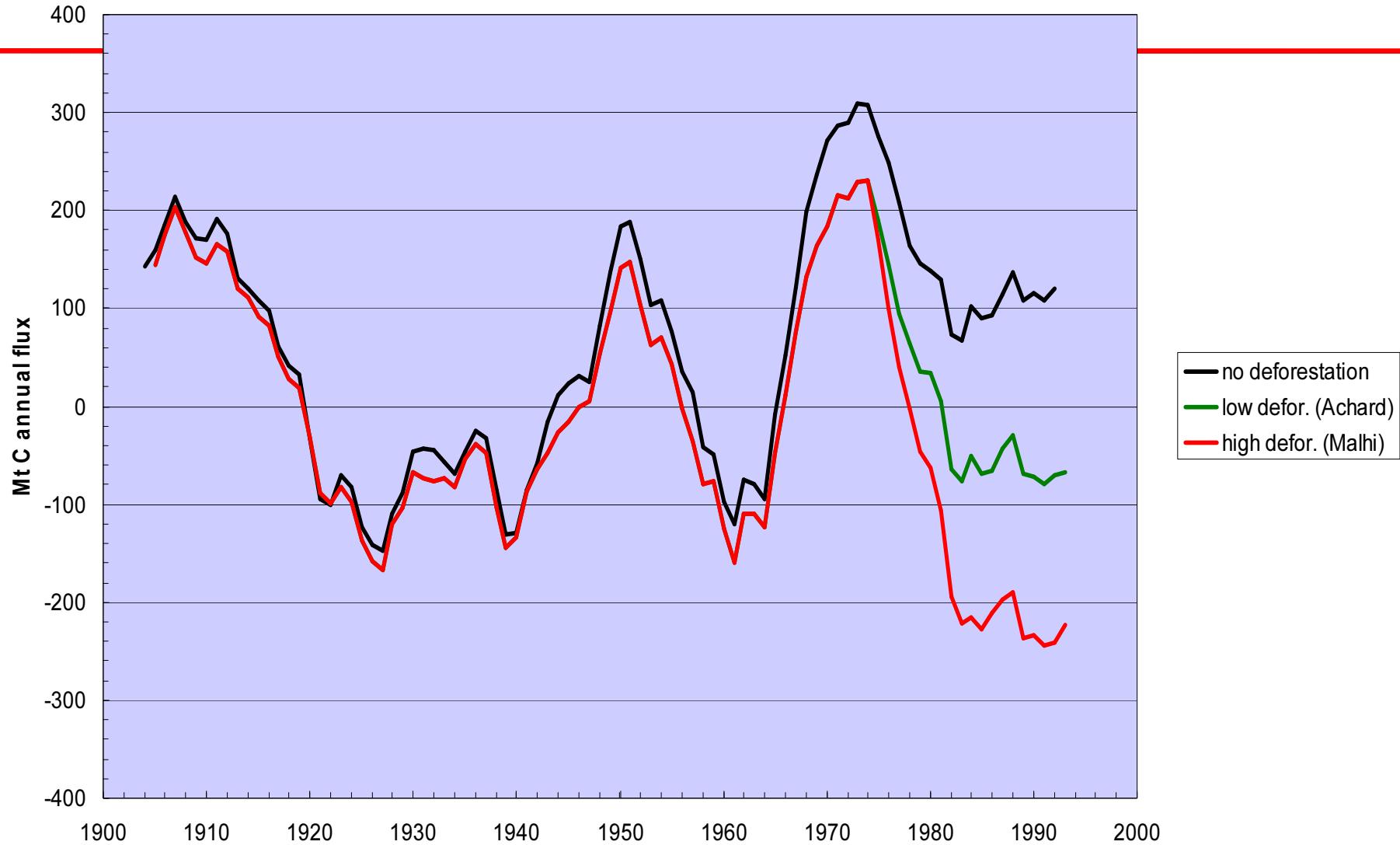
# Net ecosystem productivity (g C m<sup>-2</sup> y<sup>-2</sup>)



# Land biosphere C balance for different DGVMs



## C balance of the Amazon for different rates of deforestation (10yr running means)

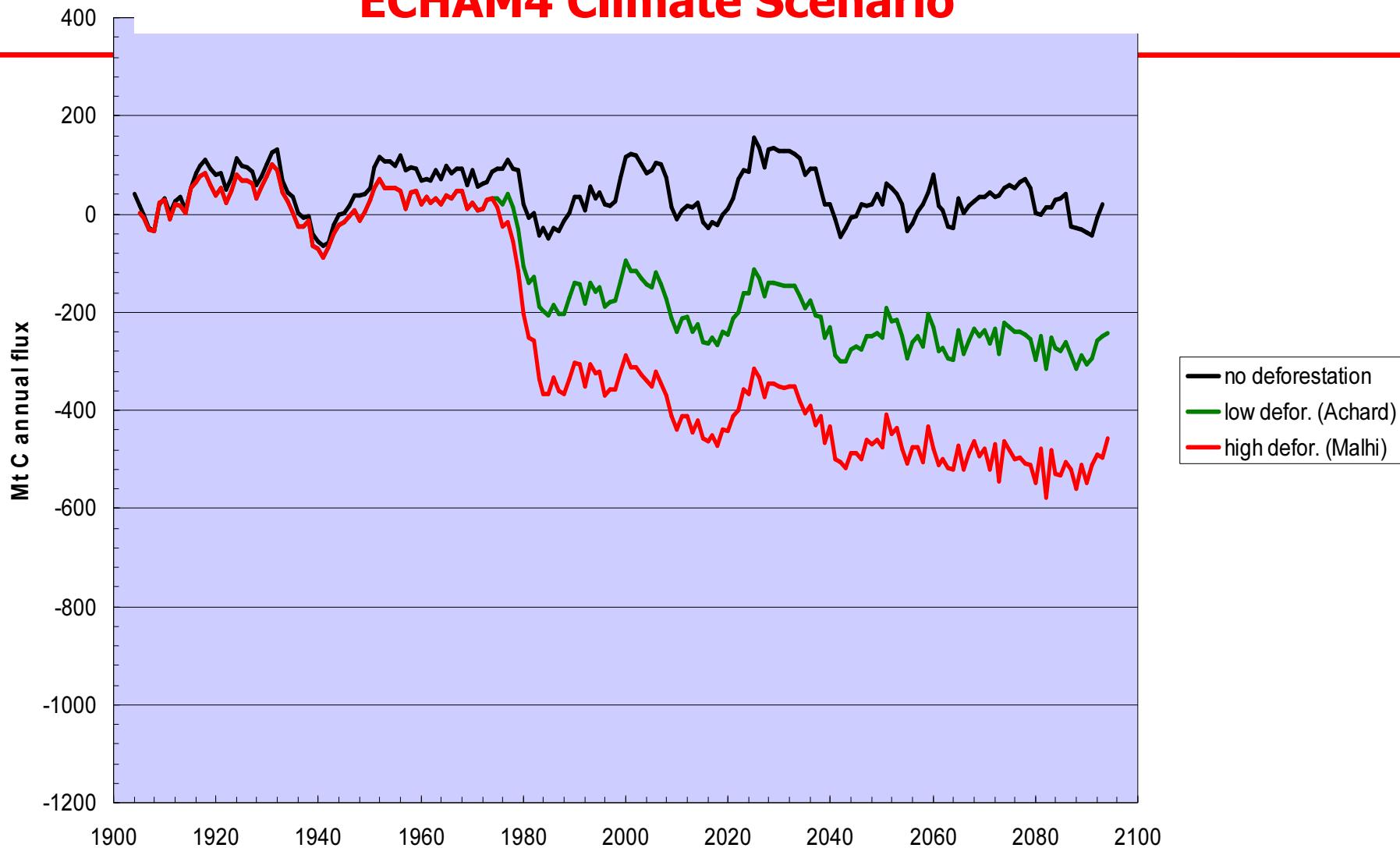


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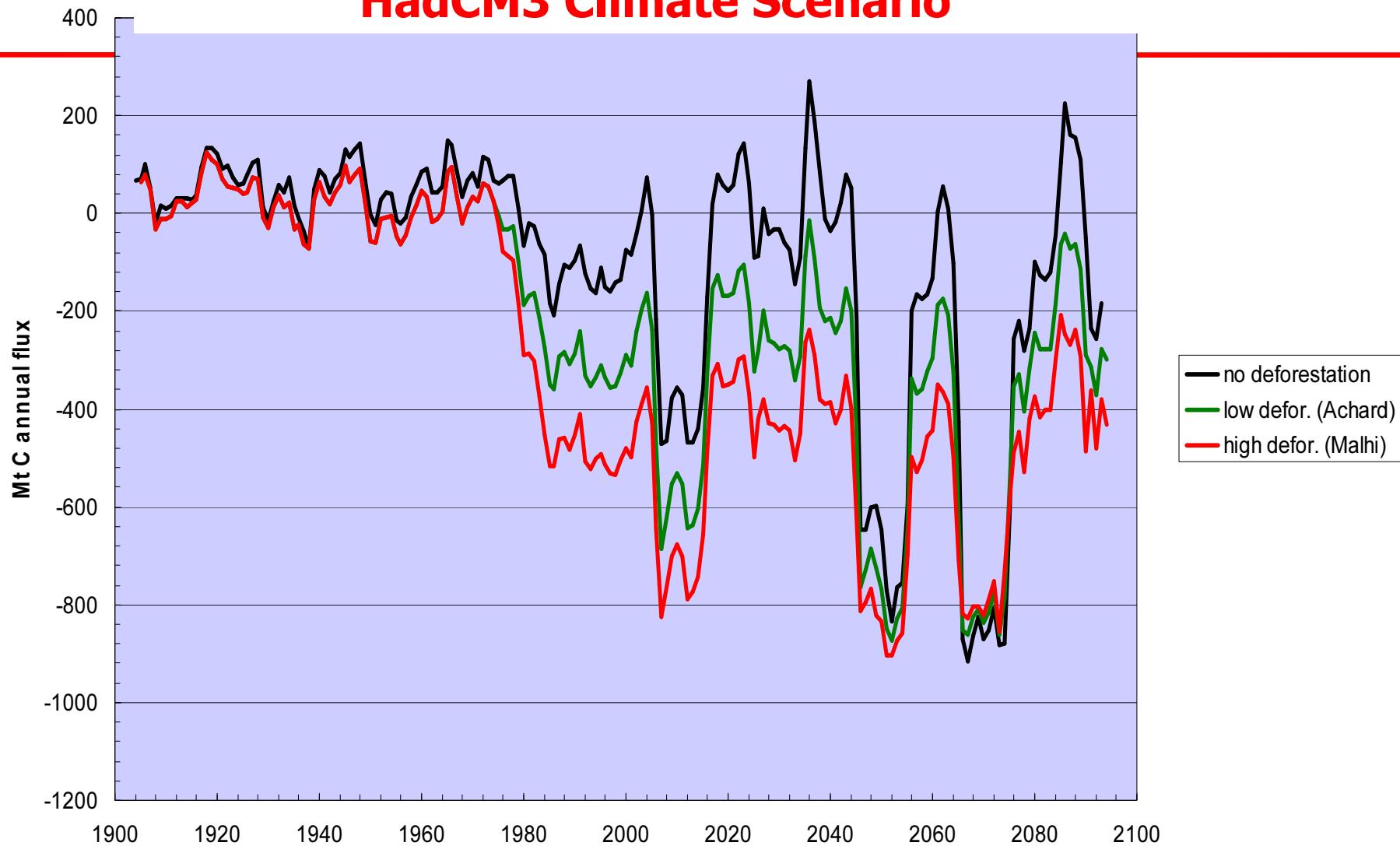
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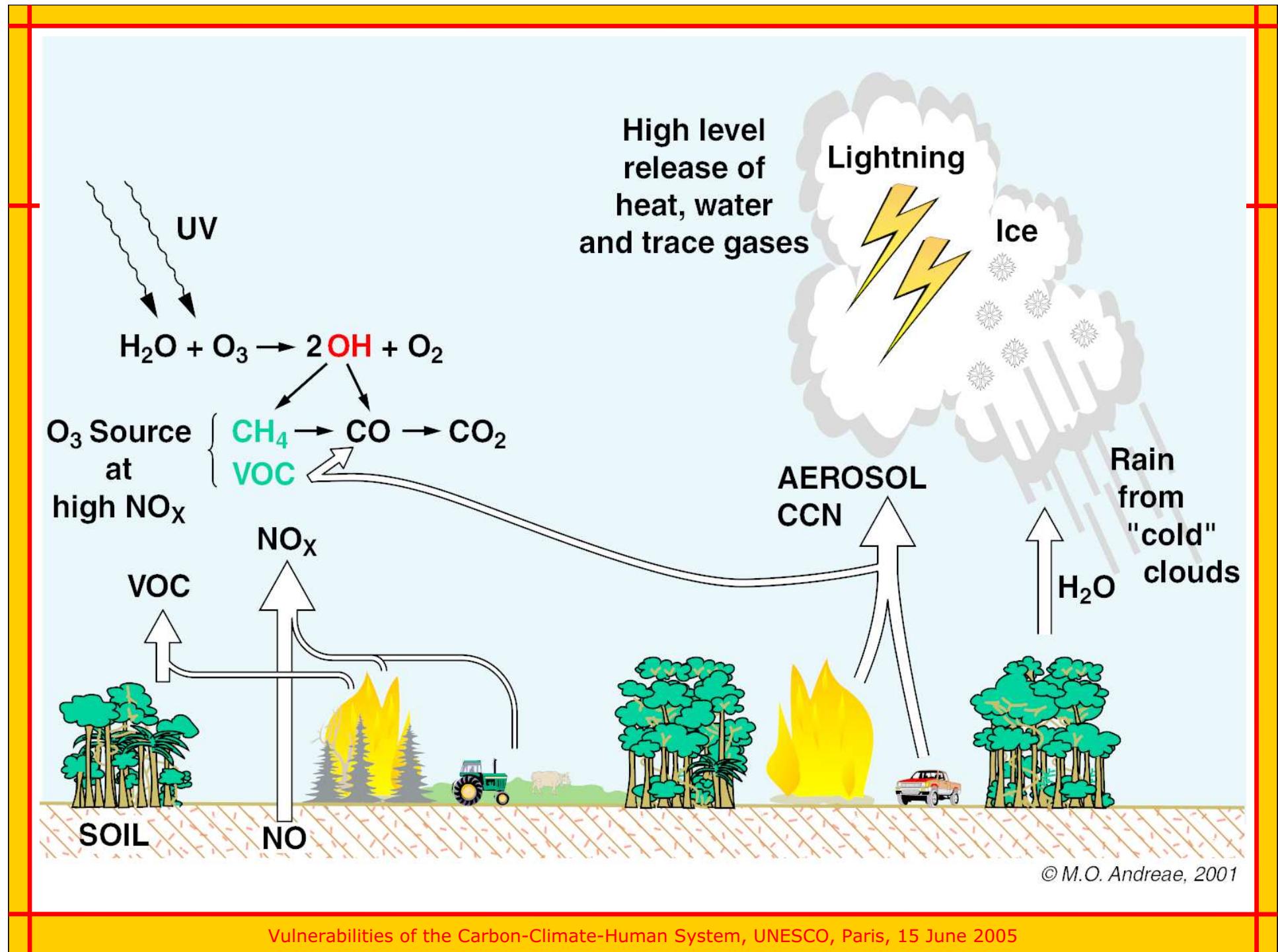
## ECHAM4 Climate Scenario



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## HadCM3 Climate Scenario





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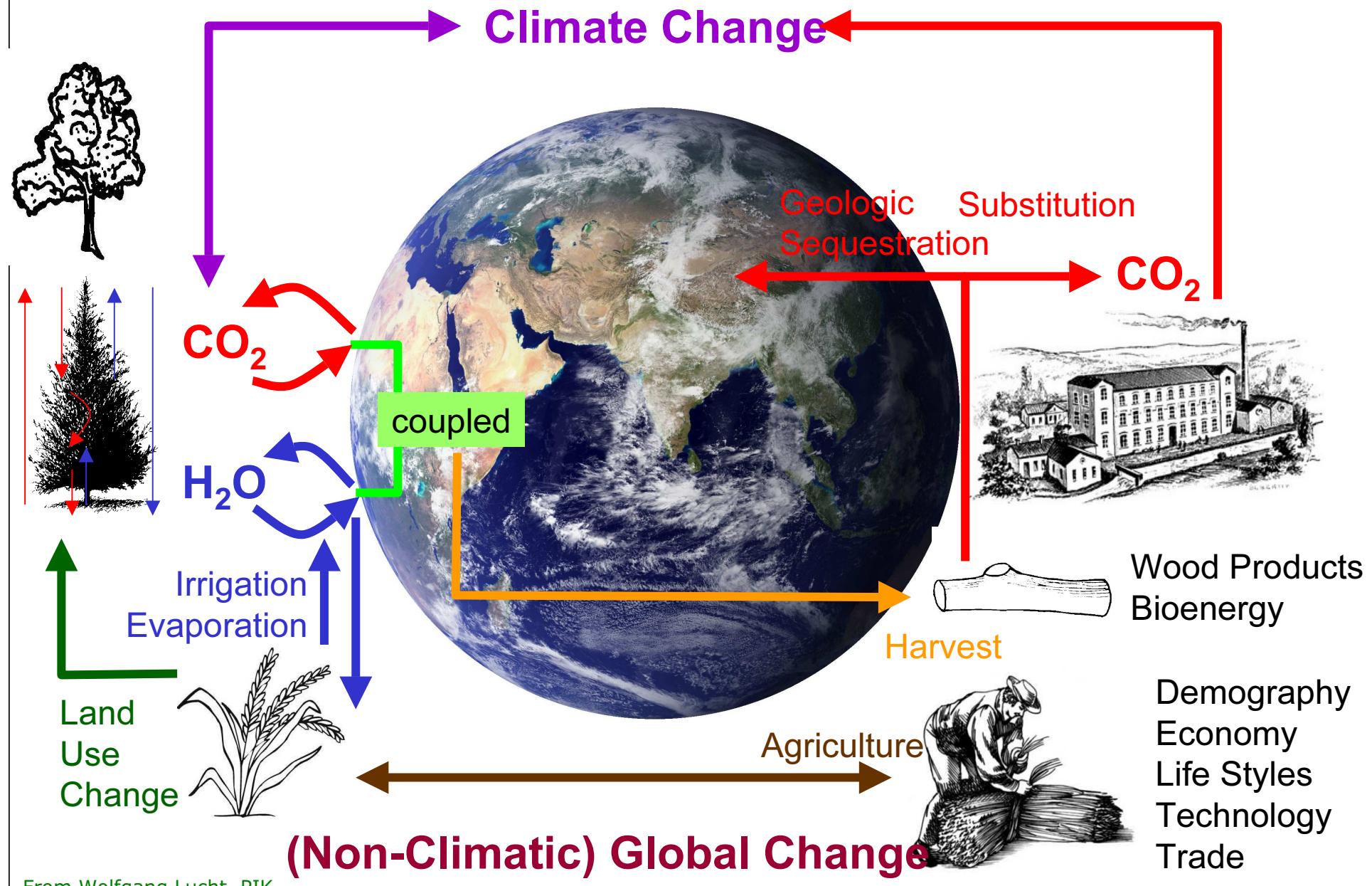
## D. Conclusion

# Summary

- Ecosystems...
  - ...provide multiple services
  - ...are sensitive to climate and land use change
  - ...can be assessed quantitatively in a multi-scenario approach
- Quantitative assessment is necessary...
  - ...for estimation of damage
  - ...planning of adaptive measures

# Global Biogeochemistry

# Socioeconomic Metabolism





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Photograph: Peyresq, France, where 35 students discussed vulnerability of ecosystems in September 2003