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# Economic valuation of the impacts of black carbon and methane mitigation

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# What's the purpose of valuation?

- Identify which measures to prioritize?
- Highlight gains from measures undertaken?
- From which perspective?
  - National versus global
  - Process has focused on global gains so far
  - National gains more politically relevant
  - Flows of gains relevant for cooperation

# How to calculate national gains and flows

For each mitigation action in each country:

1. Quantify flow from source country to receptor country
2. Estimate impact of flow

Use TM5-FASST for health and crop damages

- 56 regions
- Track each mitigation measure from source to receptor
- Provides health/crop impact of concentration changes



# How to calculate national gains and flows

3. Valuation of impact
  - Valuations exist, computationally trivial
  - Ethically/politically non-trivial
4. National climate valuations as shares of global social cost of carbon
5. National impact  $\sum_{d=1}^{d=3} C_{m,i,d,j}$
6. Global impact  $\sum_{d=1}^{d=3} \sum_{j=1}^N C_{m,i,d,j}$



# Health benefits

## *Impacts*

- Annual premature mortalities from exposure to O<sub>3</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>.
- Risk rates for O<sub>3</sub> using M6M ozone exposure metric.
- Risk rates for PM<sub>2.5</sub> using Integrated Exposure-Response functions, as in e.g. Global Burden of Disease study.

## *Valuation*

- Use value of statistical life?
  - Values from OECD? US EPA?
  - Use uniform values?
  - Use income elasticity to adapt to individual countries?
  - Use national values instead?
  - Ethically non-trivial.

# Crop benefits

## *Impacts*

- Impacts on 4 crop-yields (wheat, maize, rice and soy bean) from TM5-FASST.
- M7 or AOT40 ozone exposure index.

## *Valuation*

- Use market value of crops to monetize.

# Climate benefits

- We use national shares of the global social cost of carbon (SCC).
  - Converted from CO<sub>2</sub> to CH<sub>4</sub> or BC (incl. co-emissions) using GWP100.
  - Shares of global SCC from Nordhaus' **C-DICE** model.
- Alternative 1: Shindell (2015) Social Cost of Atmospheric Release for climate:
  - RF of each pollutant.
  - Temperature response calculated using the time dependence of the impulse-response function from the Hadley Centre climate model.
  - **DICE** 2007 IAM damage function.
- Alternative 2: Rautiainen & Lintunen (2017) Social Cost of Forcing
  - Calculate social cost of incremental unit of RF (based on **DICE**).
  - Temporal decay profile and radiative efficiency of forcing agent.

# Illustration

- Worthwhile differentiating between *measures* and *countries*

Country	\$US (1000s)/t BC
Global	
China	400 - 6,300
India	300 - 3,100
Russia	500 - 4,300
USA	0 – 500
Canada (x100)	300 - 400

Country	\$US/t CH <sub>4</sub>
Global	3,500
China	900
India	400
Russia	100
USA	300
Canada (x10)	200



# Focus on net benefits?

- Subtract mitigation costs
- Self-interested mitigation and the role of cooperation
- Benefits and costs (\$US million) from mitigation in Russia

Measure	Total benefits	Total costs	Net benefits
Bio heating	7,900	400	7,500
Coal heating	5,800	~0	5,800
Off-road diesel	9,200	10,200	-1,000
CH <sub>4</sub>	1,300	5,000	-3,700

# Proposal – valuation tool



	COOKST	STVS_BI	STVS_COAL	DPF_OFF	DPF_RD	CH4 ALL/t									
1	CLIMATE (tVS	0					Canada								
2	LOW	0	0	-1	0	9,00E-03	low SCC (n: 6								
3	MED	0	54	0	11	9,00E-03	high SCC (n: 72								
4	HIGH	0	88	0	18	9,00E-03	LOW VSL 4,399,973								
5															
6	LIVES														
7	LOW	0	0												
8	MED	0	5												
9	HIGH	0	38												
10															
11	CROPS (kt)														
12	MI	0	0												
13	AOT	0	1												
14															
15															
16															
17	MMMi, HH														
18	MED	0	54												
19	MED	0	2												
20	MI	0	0												
21															
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24															
25	LMMi, HH														
26	LOW	0	0												
27	MED	0	2												
28	MI	0	0												
29															

Climate damages    Health valuation

Country    Measure

Estimated emission reduction

780

	Impact	Total economic benefit	Benefit to host country
	1,250 lives	USD 1,400 million	USD 700 million
	1,300 tons	USD 800 million	USD 50 million
	0.002C	USD 250 million	USD 5 million

## Database – Valuation & policy choices - Scorecard

# Proposal – valuation tool (cont.)

- Consistent valuation of measures
- Country and measure specific valuations
- Can be used to identify:
  - National self-interest
  - Promising international cooperation
    - *What types?*
    - *How?*
      - Pollutants
      - Measures
      - Actors
  - Scope for side payments

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