

A global water scarcity assessment under Shared Socio-economic Pathways

Naota Hanasaki*, Shinichiro Fujimori*

and collaborators

*National Institute for Environmental Studies

Papers in press

Hanasaki, N., Fujimori, S., Yamamoto, T., Yoshikawa, S., Masaki, Y., Hijioka, Y., Kainuma, M., Kanamori, Y., Masui, T., Takahashi, K., and Kanae, S.: A global water scarcity assessment under Shared Socio-economic Pathways – Part 1: Water use, Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci., 17, 2375-2391, doi:10.5194/hess-17-2375-2013, 2013.

Hanasaki, N., Fujimori, S., Yamamoto, T., Yoshikawa, S., Masaki, Y., Hijioka, Y., Kainuma, M., Kanamori, Y., Masui, T., Takahashi, K., and Kanae, S.: A global water scarcity assessment under Shared Socio-economic Pathways – Part 2: Water availability and scarcity, Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci., 17, 2393-2413, doi:10.5194/hess-17-2393-2013, 2013.

Outline

- Conducted a global water scarcity assessment in the 21st century

Balance



Water use

Water availability

Socio-economic scenario

RCP/SSP

Climate scenario

CMIP5

- Key questions

Hydro. Earth Syst. Sci., 17, 2375–2391, 2013
www.hydrol-earth-syst-sci.net/17/2375/2013/
doi:10.5194/hess-17-2375-2013
© Author(s) 2013. CC Attribution 3.0 License.



Hydrology and
Earth System
Sciences


Hydro. Earth Syst. Sci., 17, 2393–2413, 2013
www.hydrol-earth-syst-sci.net/17/2393/2013/
doi:10.5194/hess-17-2393-2013
© Author(s) 2013. CC Attribution 3.0 License.



Hydrology and
Earth System
Sciences


A global water scarcity assessment under Shared Socio-economic Pathways – Part 1: Water use

N. Hanasaki¹, S. Fujimori¹, T. Yamamoto², S. Yoshikawa³, Y. Mazaki¹, Y. Hijioka¹, M. Kainuma¹, Y. Kanamori¹, T. Marui¹, K. Takahashi¹, and S. Kamei³

¹National Institute for Environmental Studies, Tsukuba, Japan

²Nagoya National College of Technology, Nagoya, Japan

³Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan

Correspondence to: N. Hanasaki (hanasaki@mies.go.jp)

Received: 28 November 2012 – Published in Hydro. Earth Syst. Sci. Discuss.: 18 December 2012

Revised: 19 May 2013 – Accepted: 22 May 2013 – Published: 1 July 2013

Abstract. A novel global water scarcity assessment for the 21st century is presented in a two-part paper. In this first paper, water use scenarios are presented for the latest global hydrological models. The scenarios are compatible with the socio-economic scenarios of the Shared Socio-economic

for global water scarcity assessments that identify the regions vulnerable to water scarcity and analyze the timing and magnitude of scarcity conditions.

A global water scarcity assessment under Shared Socio-economic Pathways – Part 2: Water availability and scarcity

N. Hanasaki¹, S. Fujimori¹, T. Yamamoto², S. Yoshikawa³, Y. Mazaki¹, Y. Hijioka¹, M. Kainuma¹, Y. Kanamori¹, T. Marui¹, K. Takahashi¹, and S. Kamei³

¹National Institute for Environmental Studies, Tsukuba, Japan

²Nagoya National College of Technology, Nagoya, Japan

³Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan

Correspondence to: N. Hanasaki (hanasaki@mies.go.jp)

Received: 28 November 2012 – Published in Hydro. Earth Syst. Sci. Discuss.: 18 December 2012

Revised: 8 May 2013 – Accepted: 9 May 2013 – Published: 1 July 2013

Abstract. A global water scarcity assessment for the 21st century was conducted under the latest socio-economic scenario for global change studies, namely Shared Socio-

tively, if climate policies are not adopted. Even in SSP1 (the scenario with least change in water use and climate) global water scarcity increases considerably, as compared to the

Shared Socio-economic Pathways

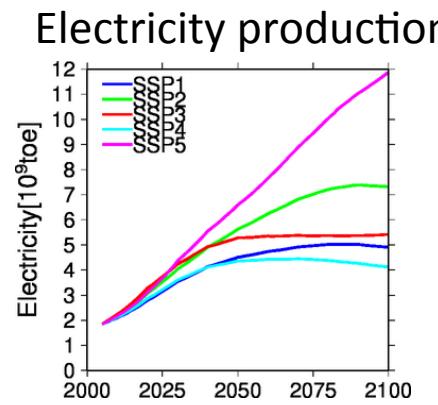
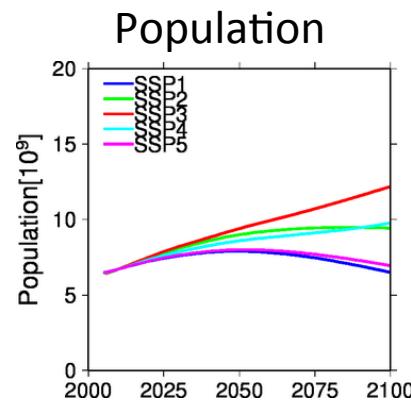
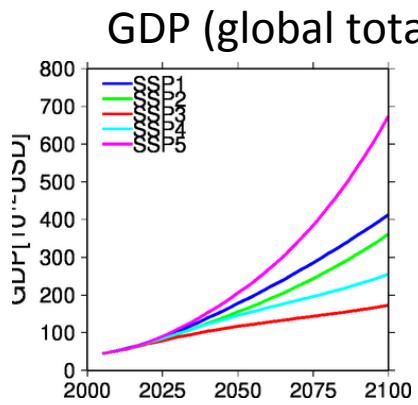
SSPs: New socio-economic scenarios for global change study (after SRES)

SSP	Description of the world
SSP1	Sustainability
SSP2	Middle of the Road
SSP3	Fragmentation
SSP4	Inequity
SSP5	Conventional Development



O'Neil et al. 2012

Similar to SRES, major socio-economic factors are quantitatively available



SSP database

AIM/CGE's estimates

How do people use water in each SSP?

No water use scenario in SSPs

→ Tried to develop a water use scenario **COMPATIBLE** with SSPs.

Step 1. Developed simple models on water use

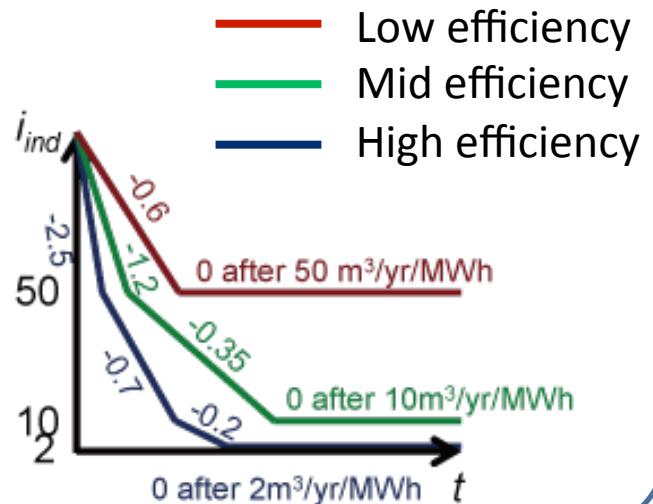
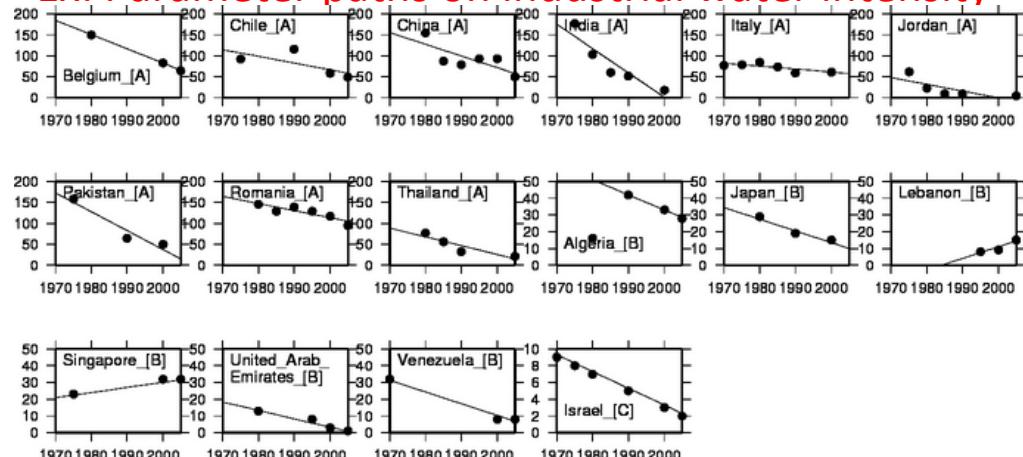
$$\text{IndustrialWater} = \text{Electricity} \times \text{intensity}$$

Scenario/time-dependent parameter

Quantitative scenarios of SSPs

Step 2. Analyzed historical intensity change
and developed parameter paths.

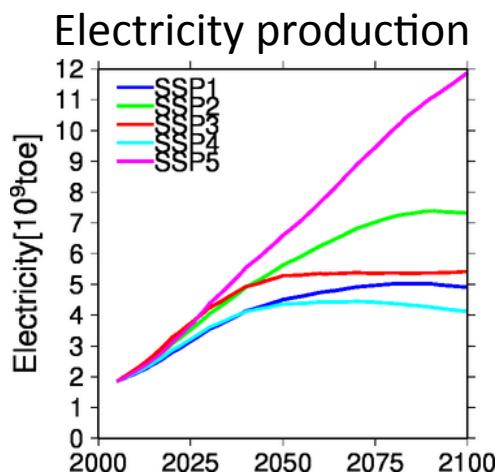
Ex: Parameter paths on industrial water intensity



How people use water in each SSP?

Step 3. Linked three parameter paths and five SSPs focusing on narrative scenarios

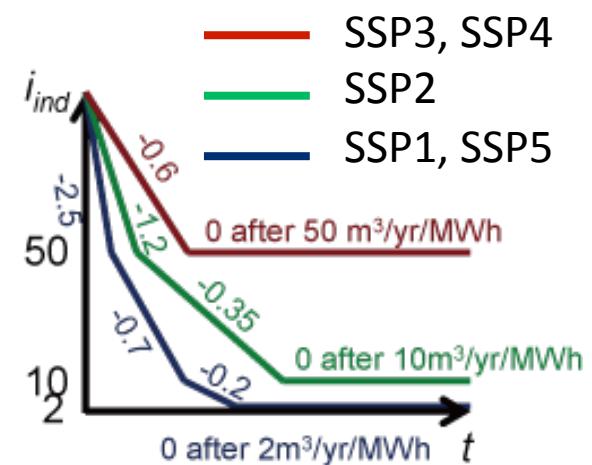
SSP	Description	Technological change
SSP1	Sustainability	Rapid
SSP2	Middle of the Road	Moderate
SSP3	Fragmentation	Slow
SSP4	Inequity	Rapid/Slow
SSP5	Conventional Development	Rapid



Industrial Water
 $= \text{Electricity} \times \text{intensity}$

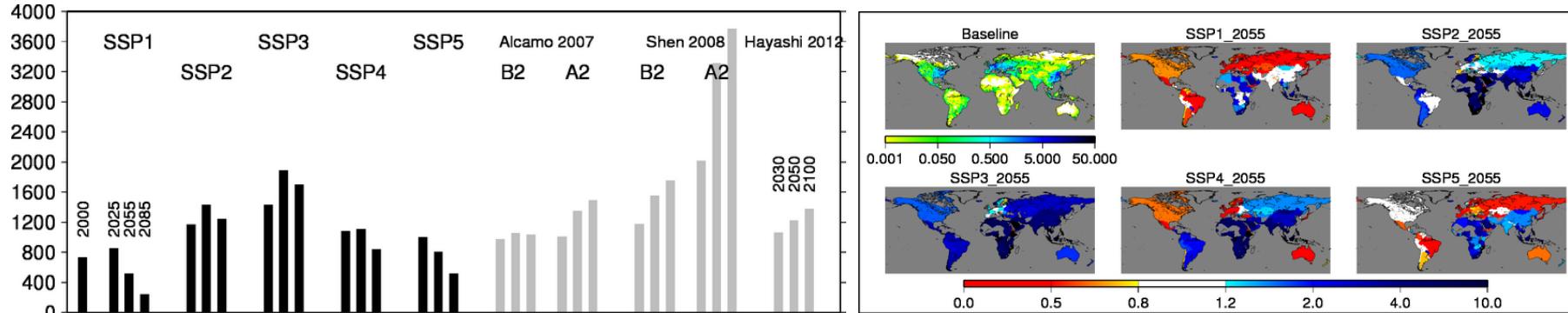
↓

Industrial water withdrawal

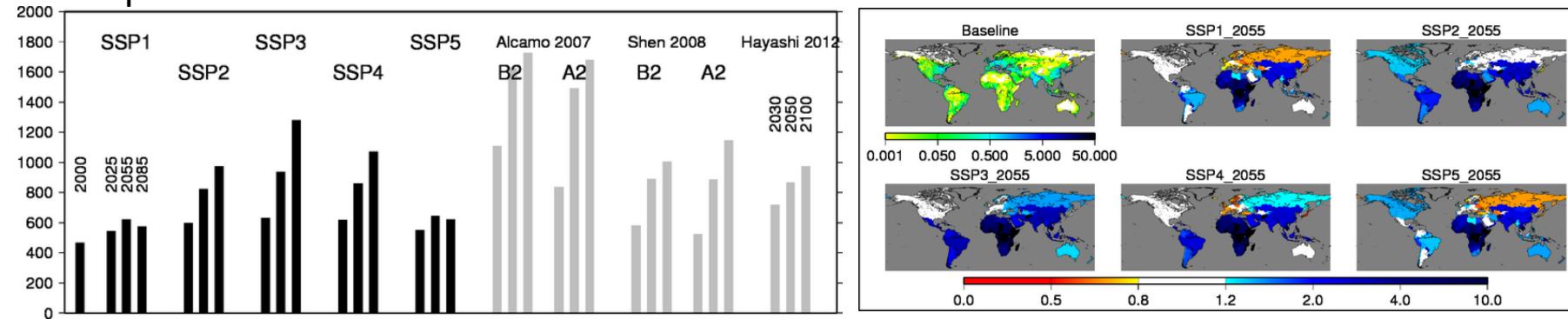


Water use scenarios

Industrial water withdrawal scenarios



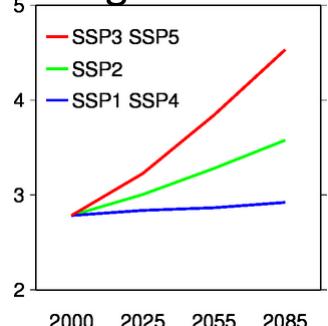
Municipal water withdrawal scenarios



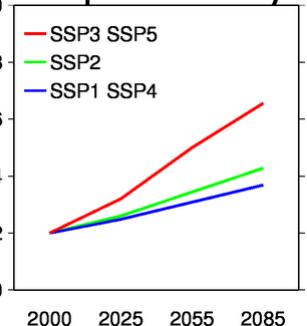
Irrigation scenarios:
(based on literature review)



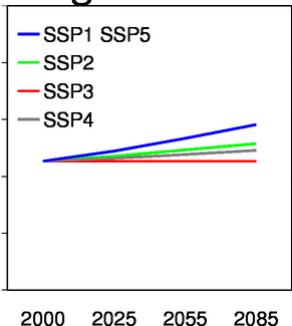
Irrigation area



Crop intensity



Irrigation efficiency



Is water available?

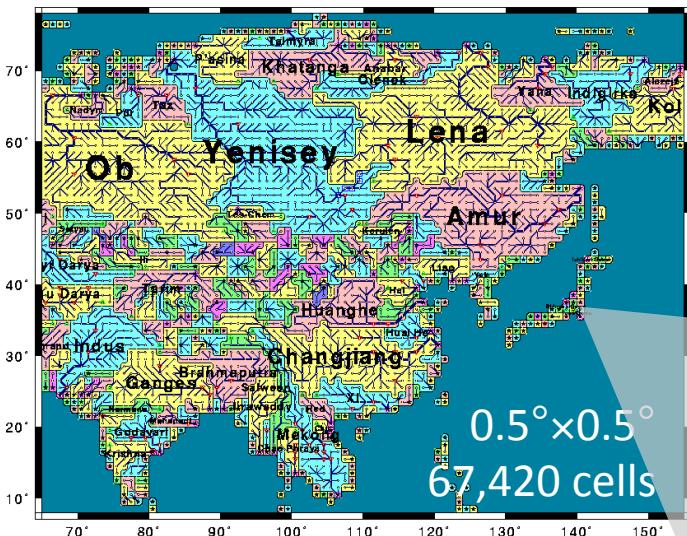
In Part 1 “potential water demand” was projected.

→ Investigated the amount of water is hydrologically available.

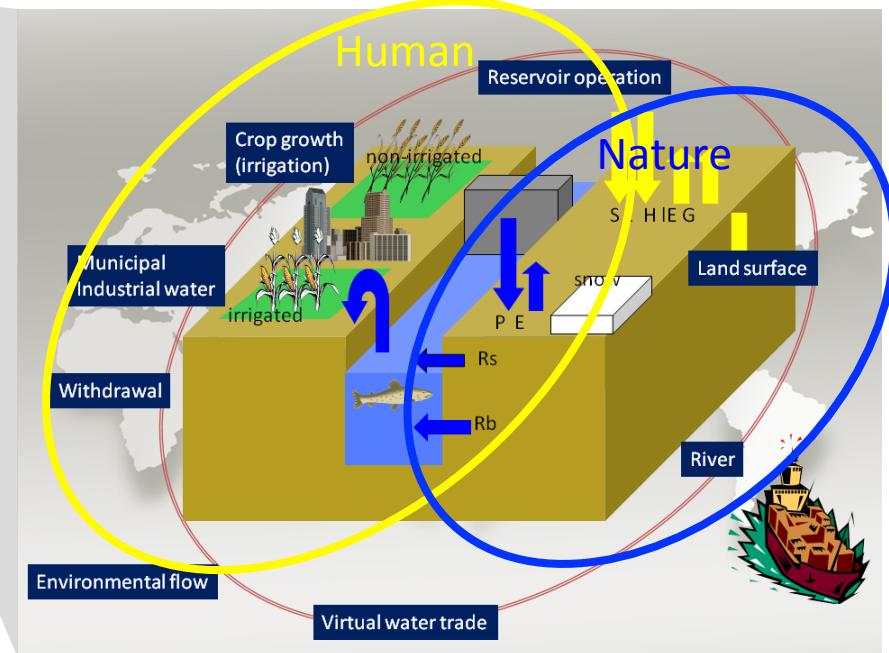
What will be the future climate?

Scenario matrix					GCM	Time
	RCP2.6	RCP4.5	RCP6.0	RCP8.5		
SSP1			SSP1 BAU		MIROC-ESM-CHEM HadGEM2 ESM GFDL ESM2M	1971-2000 (base period)
SSP2				SSP2 BAU		2011-2040
SSP3				SSP3 BAU		2041-2070
SSP4			SSP4 BAU			2071-2100
SSP5				SSP5 BAU		

Global water resources model H08



1. Distributed hydrological model
2. Interaction between natural water cycle and major human activities
3. High temporal resolution (daily interval)

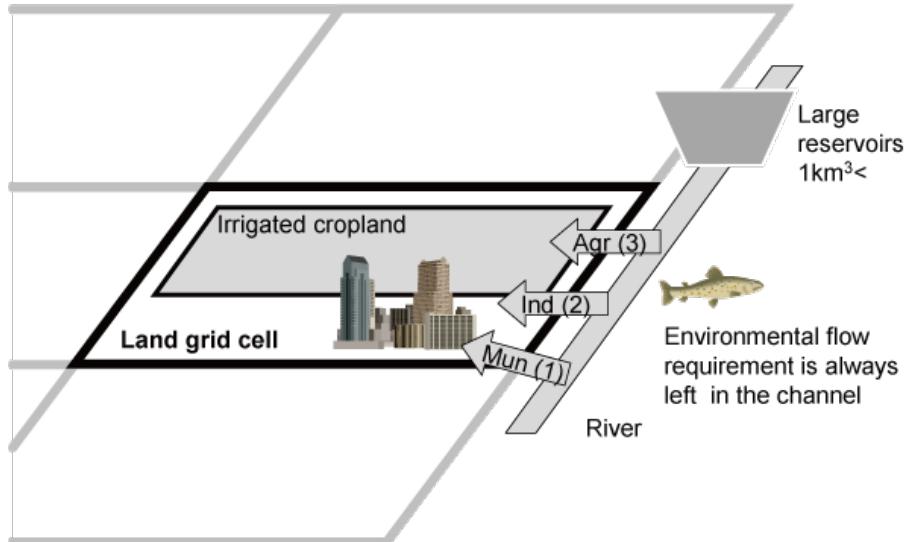


How can we define “water scarcity”?

Method used in this study

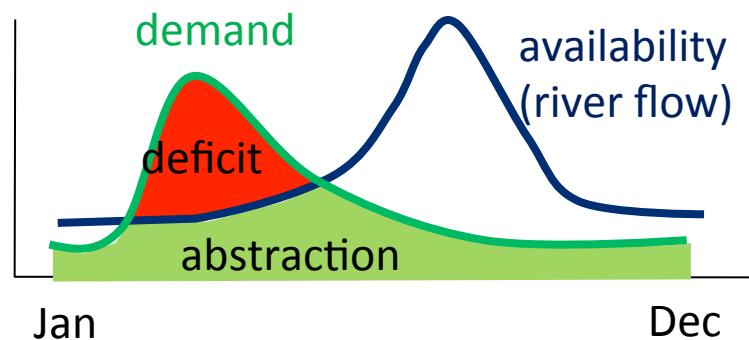
Water abstraction simulations

- Abstract **only** from rivers
- Daily interval
- Rivers can be depleted, and withdrawal can fall below demand



Water scarcity index: Cumulative Abstraction to Demand Ratio

$$CAD = \frac{\sum_{DOY=1}^{365} abstraction_{DOY}}{\sum_{DOY=1}^{365} demand_{DOY}}$$



Water scarcity: CAD<50%

Water scarcity assessment

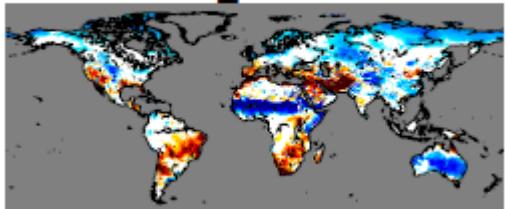
Change in CAD index

→ Africa is most vulnerable?

→ Stress increases including regions
mean annual runoff increases

Annual based index(WWR)

RCP8.5_2041–2070

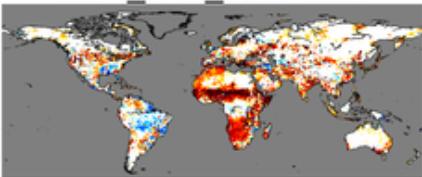


eased

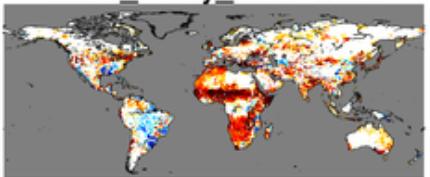
worsen

The mean annual runoff increases
in Sub-Saharan → annual based
indicator becomes better but CAD
shows opposite

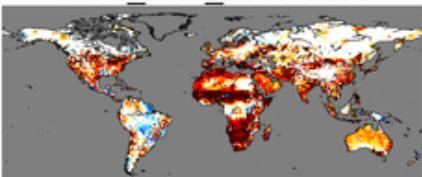
SSP1_BAU_2041–2070



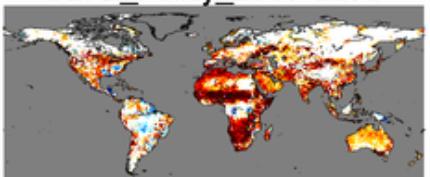
SSP1_Policy_2041–2070



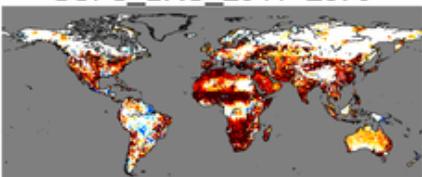
SSP2_BAU_2041–2070



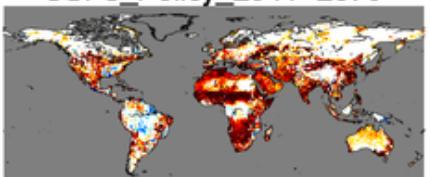
SSP2_Policy_2041–2070



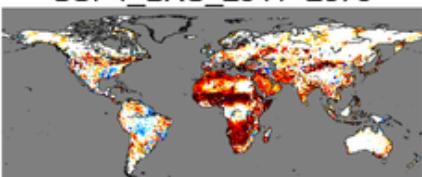
SSP3_BAU_2041–2070



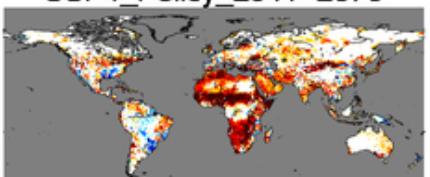
SSP3_Policy_2041–2070



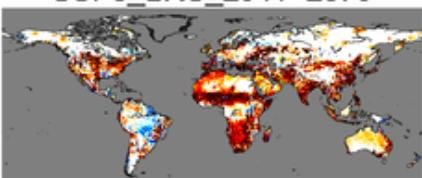
SSP4_BAU_2041–2070



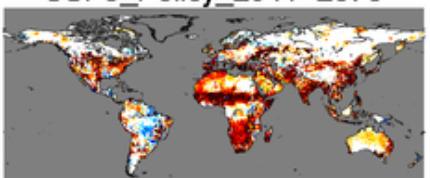
SSP4_Policy_2041–2070



SSP5_BAU_2041–2070



SSP5_Policy_2041–2070

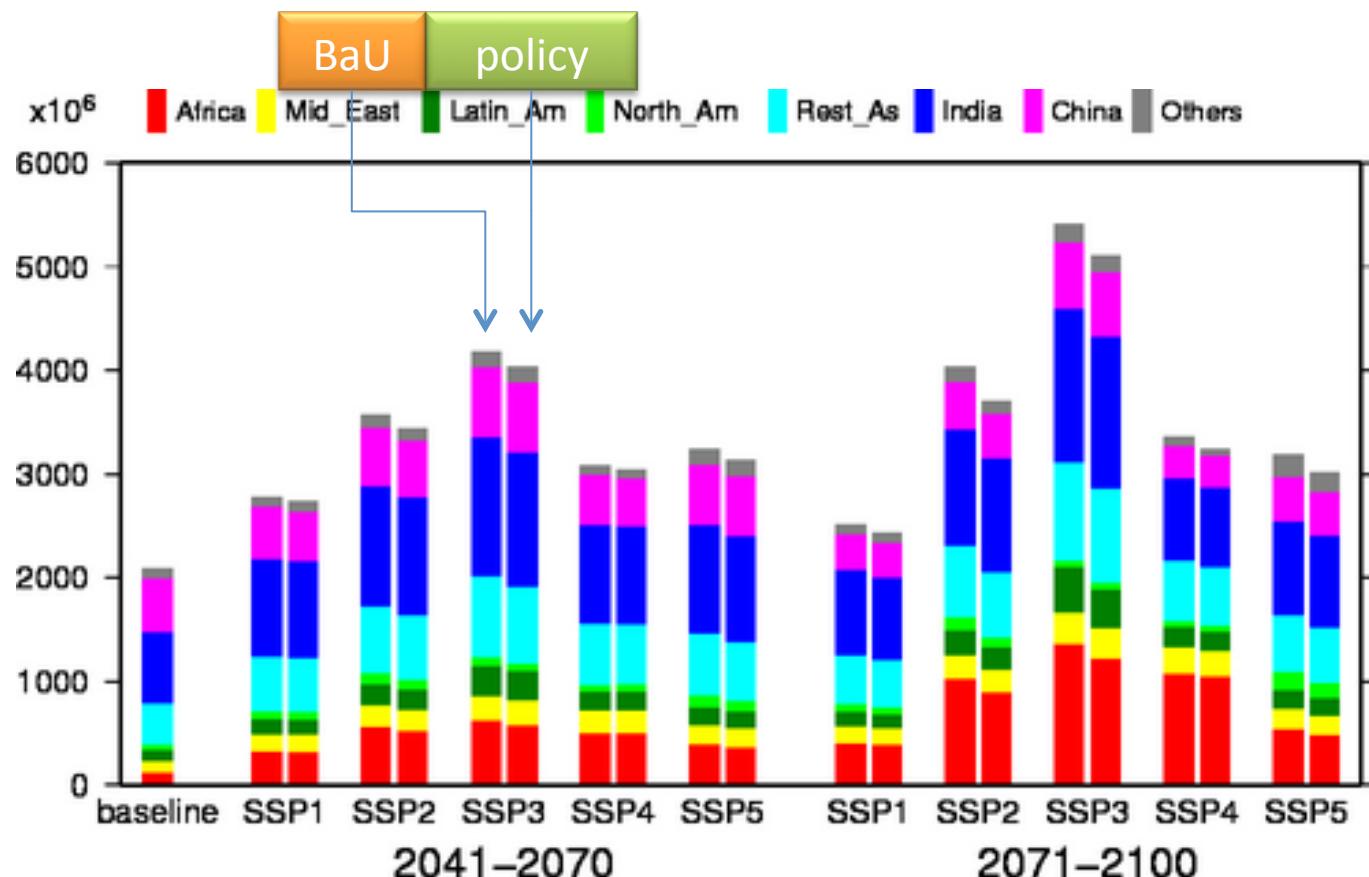


worsen -0.10 -0.06 -0.02 0.02 0.06 0.10 eased

The effect of climate policy

Water stressed population

- Population living in grid cells with the condition of CAD < 50%
- Climate policy has limited effect.



Summary & Discussion

- Summary
 - Developed water use scenario compatible with SSPs.
 - Assessed water scarcity globally taking into account sub-annual variability in water availability and use.
- Discussion
 - Consistency among models and scenarios
 - Adaptation?
- More information
 - Two papers are available online.

Climate policy has only little effect?

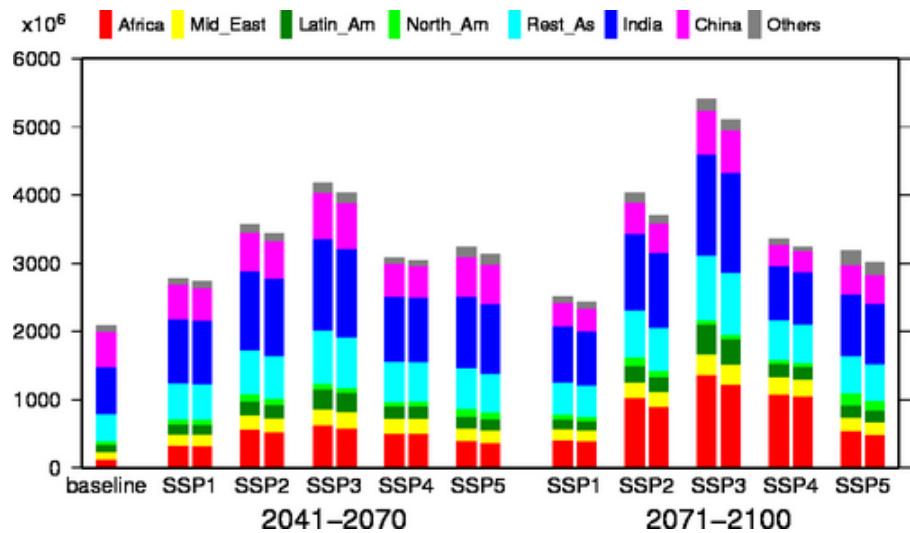


Figure 15 Region-wise total global population living in grid cells where $CWD < 0.5$. The bars in left and right show the results of no climate policy and with climate policy respectively.

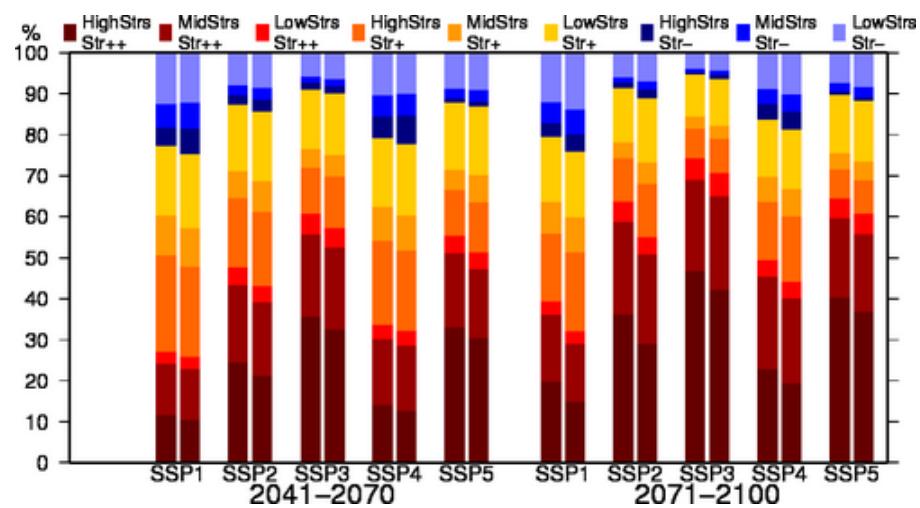


Figure 16 Percentage of global population living in grid cells categorized as Significant Degradation ($\Delta CWD < -0.05$, red), Moderate Degradation ($-0.05 \leq \Delta CWD < 0$, orange), and Alleviation or no change ($0 \leq \Delta CWD$, blue). Each category was subdivided into three by the change in the CWD recorded as Highly Stressed ($CWD < 0.5$, dark), Moderately Stressed ($0.5 \leq CWD < 0.8$, medium), and Less Stressed ($0.8 \leq CWD$, pale). The bars in left and right show the results of no climate policy and with climate policy respectively.

Framework

Meteorological ($0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$, daily)		Output ($0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$, daily)	
Air temperature	For example: WATCH Forcing Data (Weedon et al., 2010)	Land sub-model	Evapotranspiration
Specific humidity			Runoff
Air pressure			Soil moisture
Wind speed			Snow water equivalent
Shortwave radiation			Energy term
Longwave radiation		River sub-model	Streamflow
Precipitation			River channel storage
Geographical/other ($0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$)		Crop growth sub-model	H08
River map	Oki and Sud, 1998		Planting date
Reservoir map	Hanasaki et al., 2006		Harvesting date
Irrigated area	Siebert et al., 2005		Agricultural water dem.
Crop intensity	Döll and Siebert, 2002		Crop yield (not used)
Crop type	Monfreda et al., 2008		Reservoir storage
Industrial water dem.	FAO, 2011		Reservoir outflow
Domestic water dem.	FAO, 2011	Withdrawal sub-model	Agri. water availability
			Ind. water availability
			Dom. water availability
		Environmental flow	Env. flow requirement

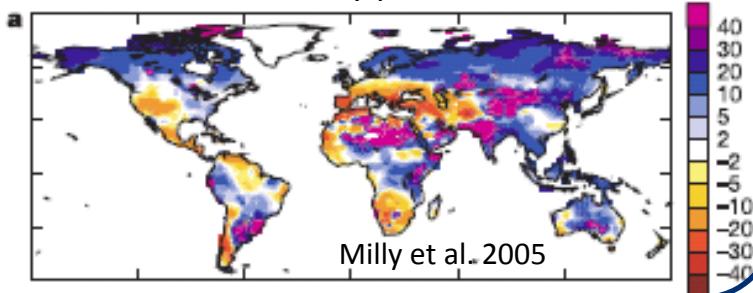
Why don't you use WWR index?

Popular water scarcity index: Withdrawal to Water Resources Ratio

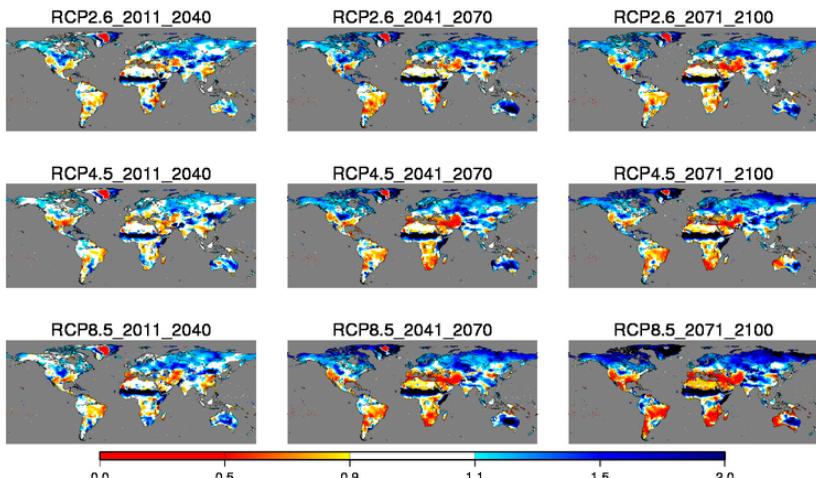
$$WWR = \frac{\text{Annual Withdrawal}}{\text{Annual River Discharge}}$$

Water scarcity: $WWR > 40\%$

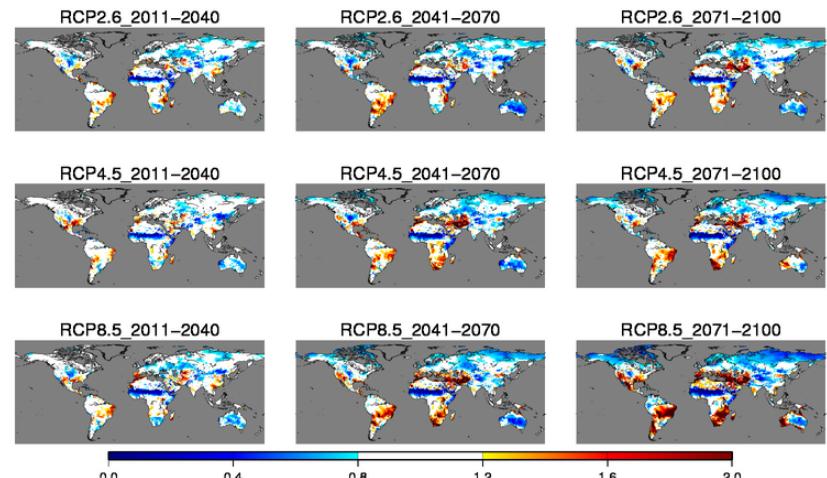
Annual river discharge change
→ Increases in many parts of the world



Runoff change



WWR change



Sometimes misleading results: if the mean annual runoff increases, WWR automatically decreases indicating that water scarcity is alleviated