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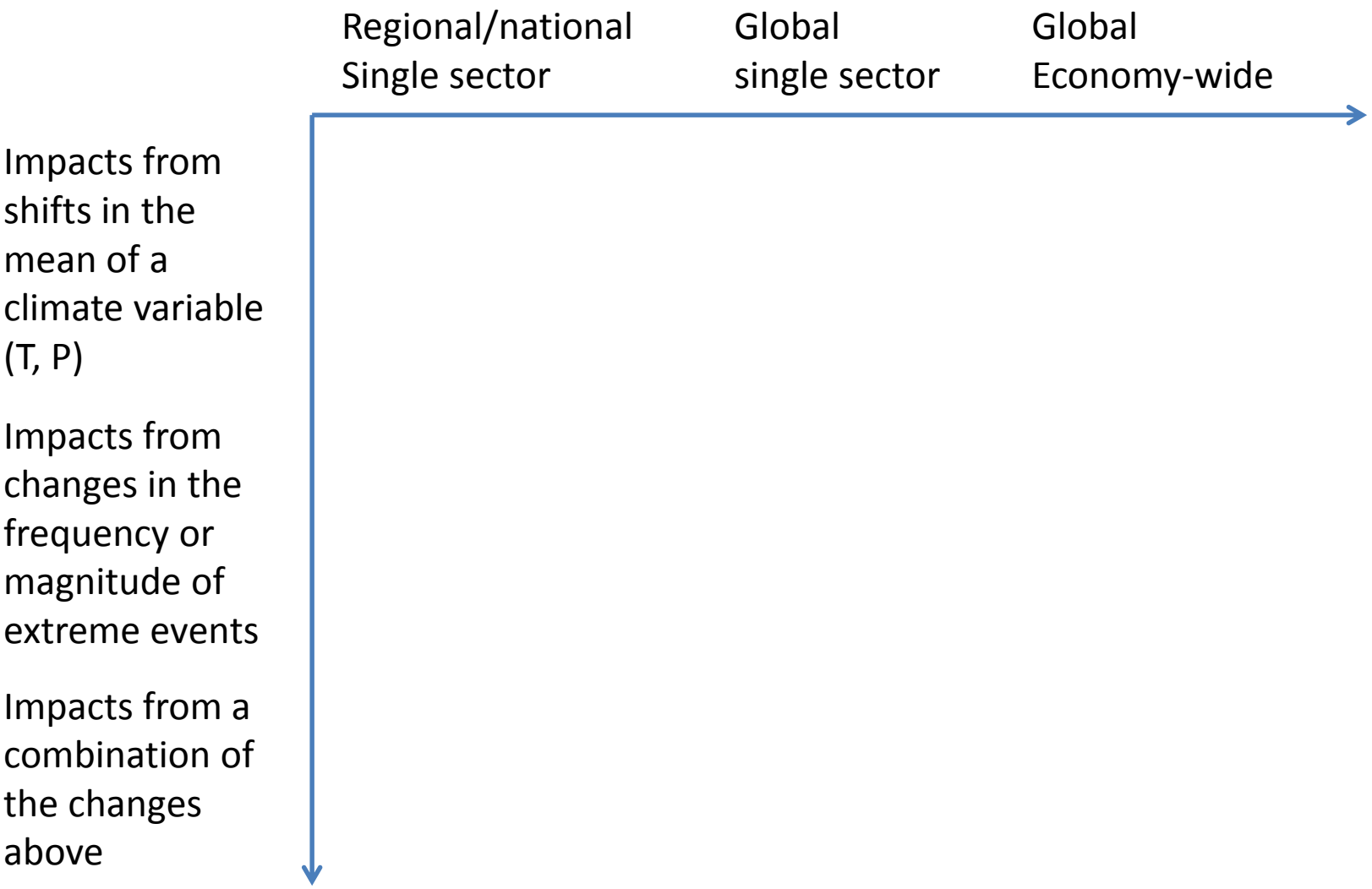

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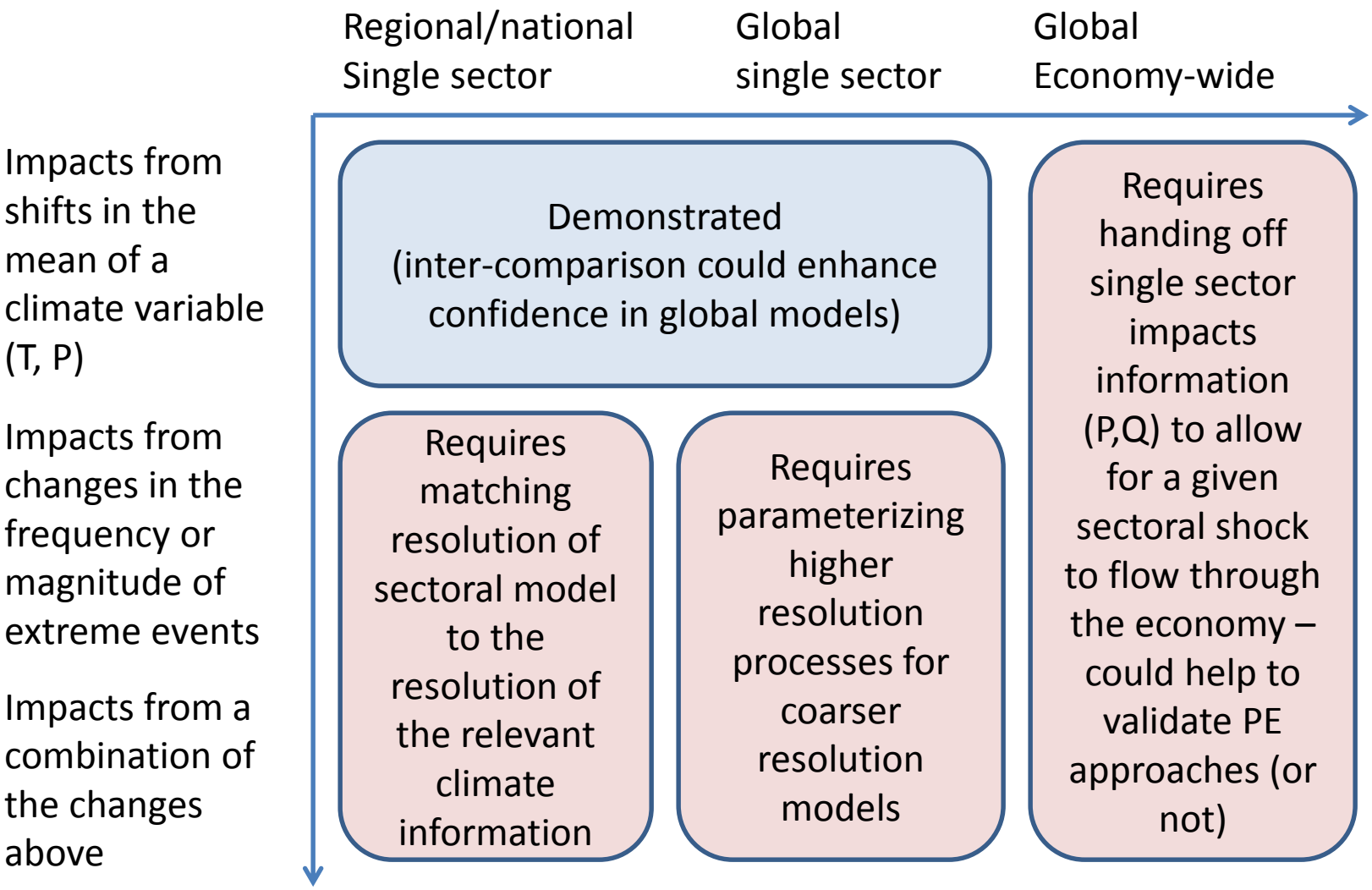

Two insights

- There is no right answer to the “scale question” – the questions being posed by the user community span multiple scales, albeit for different purposes (but exercises conducted for different purposes can still benefit one another)
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Remaining questions related to translation / extreme events

1. At the sub-global level, are there information barriers or computational limits to incorporating extreme events?
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