

Regional Energy Modeling for Long-term CO₂ Emission Reduction in Japan

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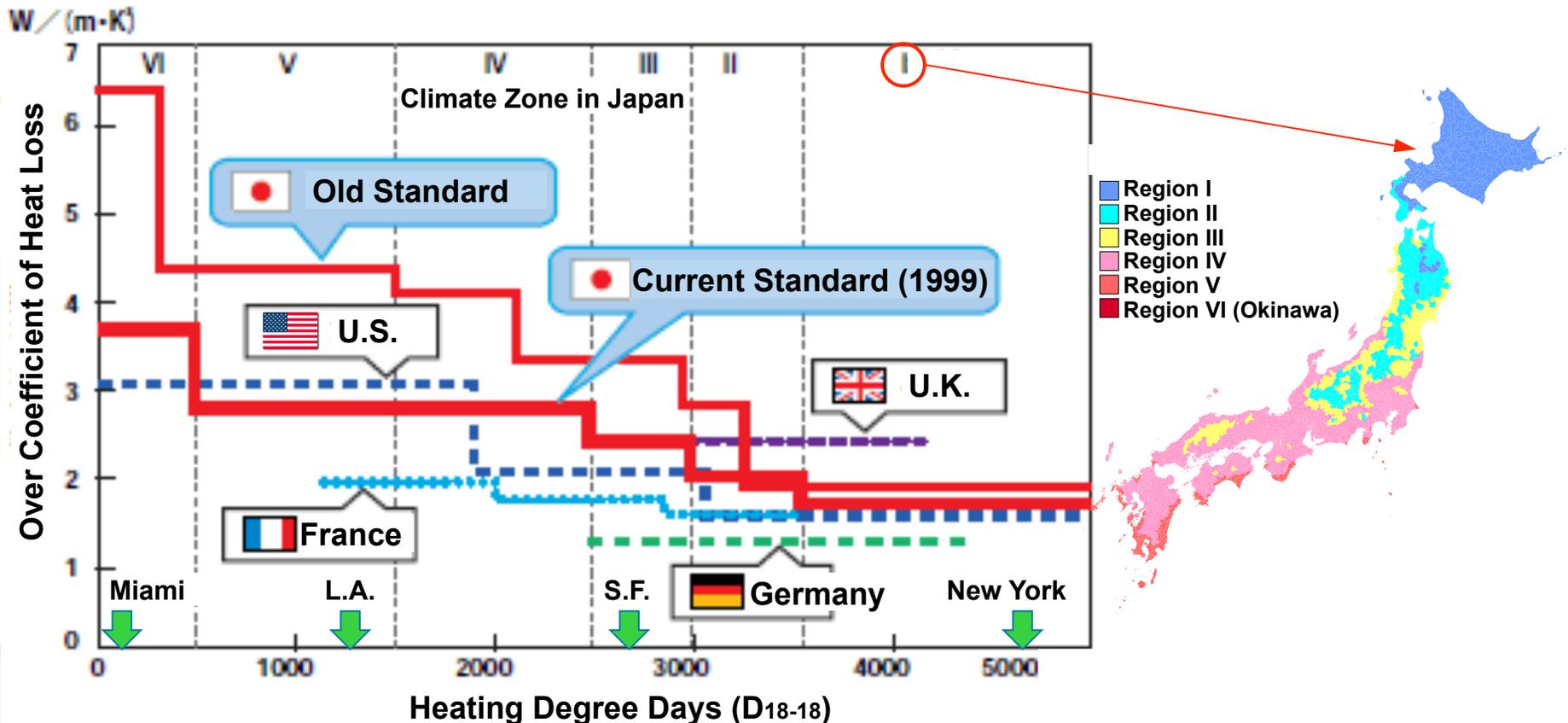
Background and Purpose

- It is necessary to draw alternative energy system with large-scale CO₂ emission in Japan toward 2050.
- We should consider regional differences in user-side energy technologies for it.



We develop the Japanese Regional Energy Model (J-REM), which divided energy demand sectors of Japan into several regions by municipality considering climate, population density, and availability of city gas infrastructure and energy demand and energy service demand in each region are estimated.

Standard for Over Coefficient of Heat Loss and Heating Degree Days



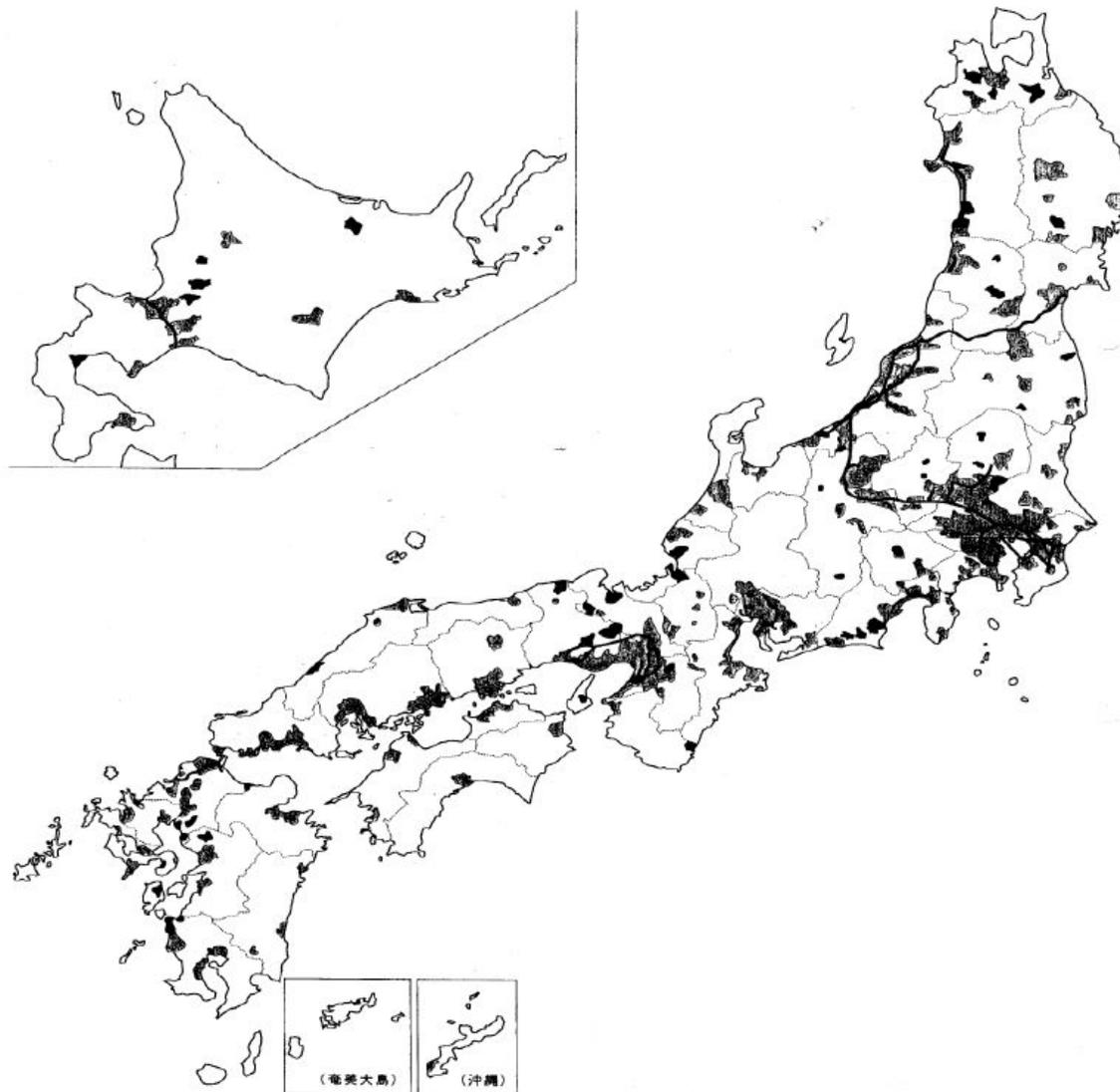
Climate of Japan has wide variation and the range of HDDs is almost comparable with that of lower 48 states of U.S.

Points for Regional Division

Considering particular situations of Japan

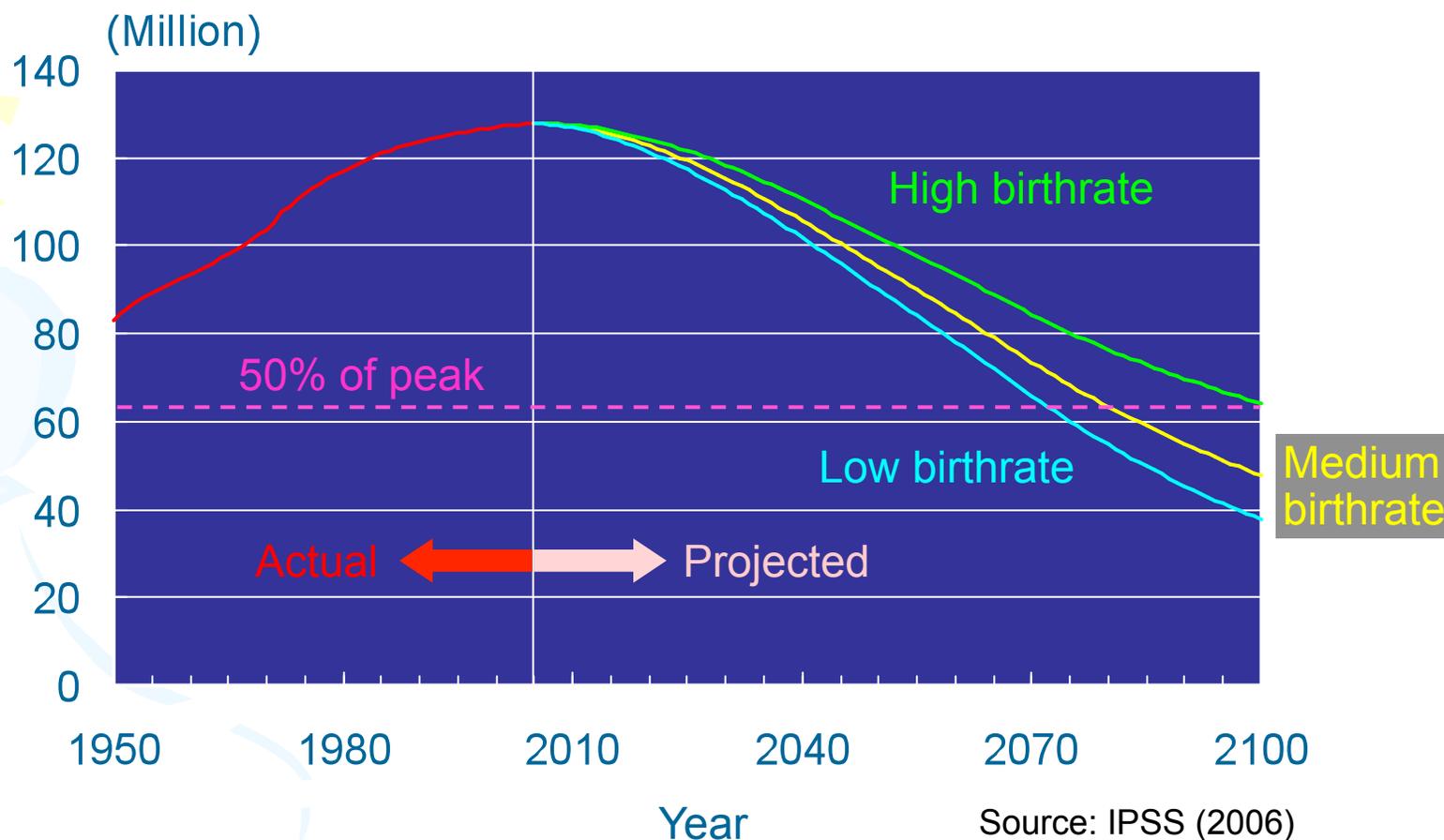
- **Wide climate variation**
 - **Energy demand and appliances vary by region**
- **Population decrease nationwide and growing some densely inhabited districts**
 - **Differences in available public transportation and in driving distance of cars**
- **Limitation of city gas availability**
 - **Expansion of supply area for small-size customer will not be expected and it will affect future choice of energy technologies.**

Supply Region of City Gas



Unlike in other developed countries, supply region of city gas is **only 6% of total land area** and quite limited in Japan. Enlarging supply region for small-size customers will not be expected because Japan is facing population decrease and cost recovery of preparing long-distance and low-pressure gas pipelines is quite difficult.

Population Projection of Japan



Enlargement of city area will not be expected and how to design “energy-efficient compact cities” is an important issue for Japan.

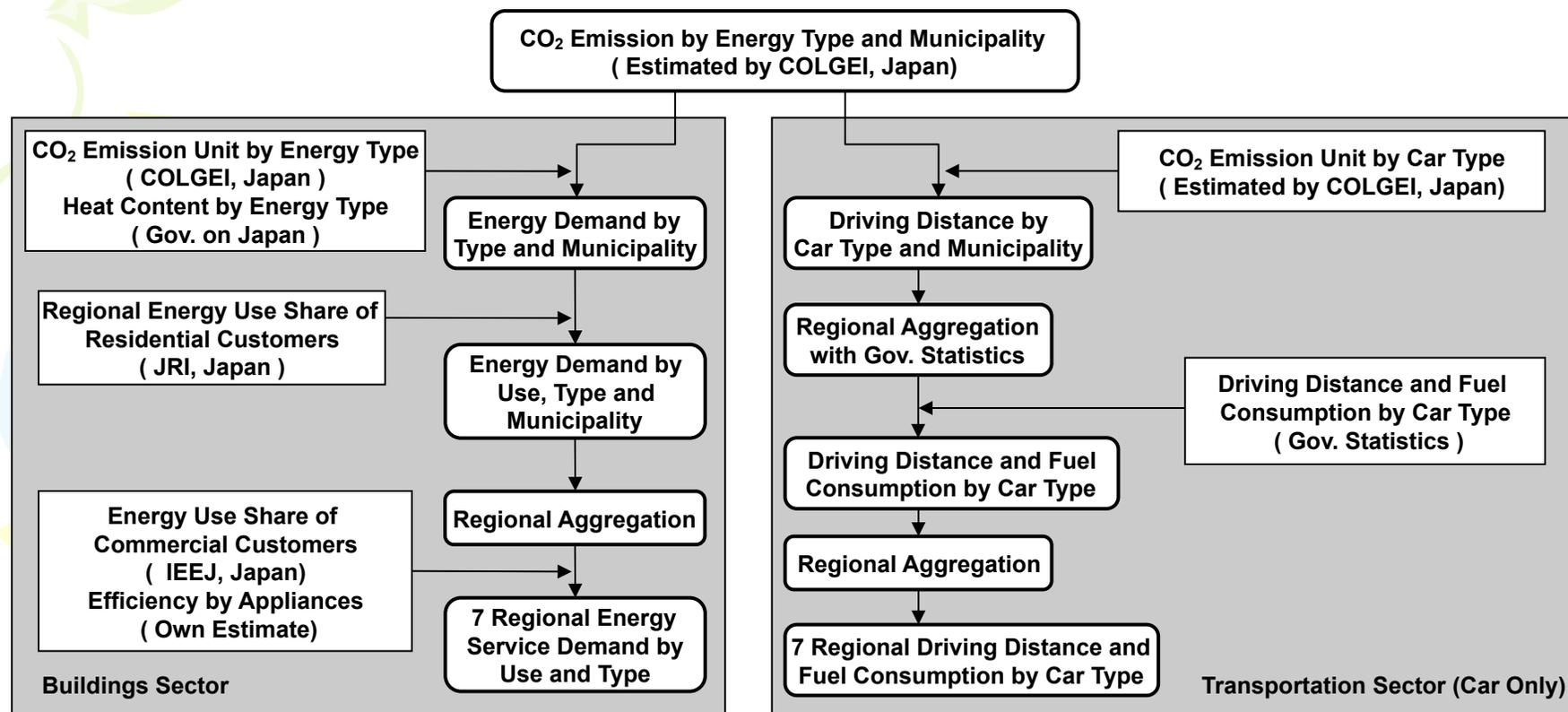
Regional Division of J-REM

- Region 1 (cold with city gas)
- Region 2 (cold without city gas)
- Region 3 (cool with city gas)
- Region 4 (cool without city gas)
- Region 5 (warm metropolitan)
- Region 6 (warm with city gas)
- Region 7 (warm without city gas)

Region	No. of Municipality	Population (in 2000)
1	21	377 million
2	188	167 million
3	100	748 million
4	667	713 million
5	126	3,938 million
6	516	4,536 million
7	1,629	2,214 million

- Three climate zones (cold, cool and warm)
- There is strong correlation between population density and availability of city gas.
- In three metropolitans located in the warm region (Tokyo, Osaka, and Nagoya), subway network is available and they are treated separately.
- As a result, all 3,247 municipalities existed in 2000 are classified into seven regions.

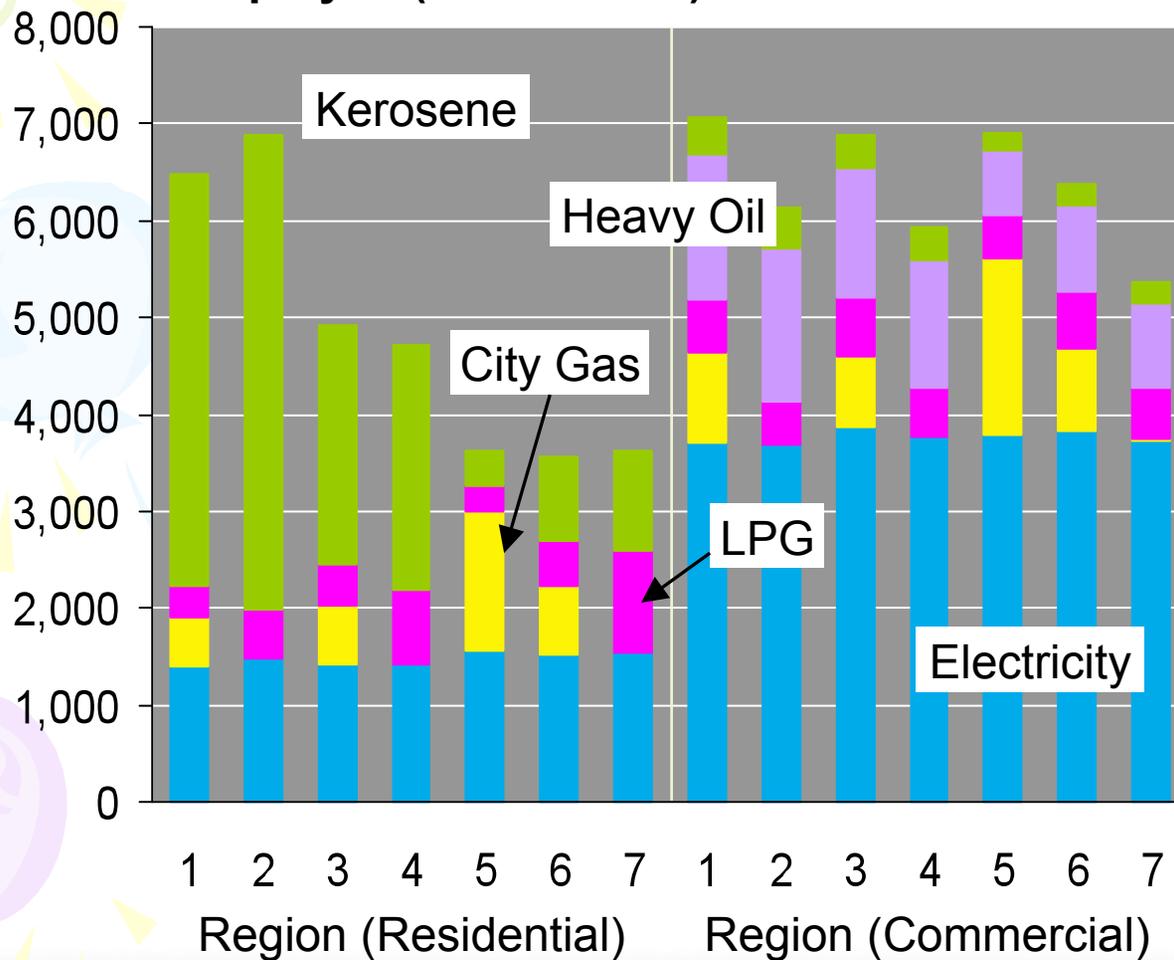
Data Estimation



Regional energy service demand was estimated based on the CO₂ emission estimation by 3,247 municipality in 2000 (in 1999 for transportation sector) by COLGEI (The Coalition of Local Government for Environmental Initiative, Japan).

Regional Energy Demand

Mcal/person (residential)
Mcal/employee (commercial)

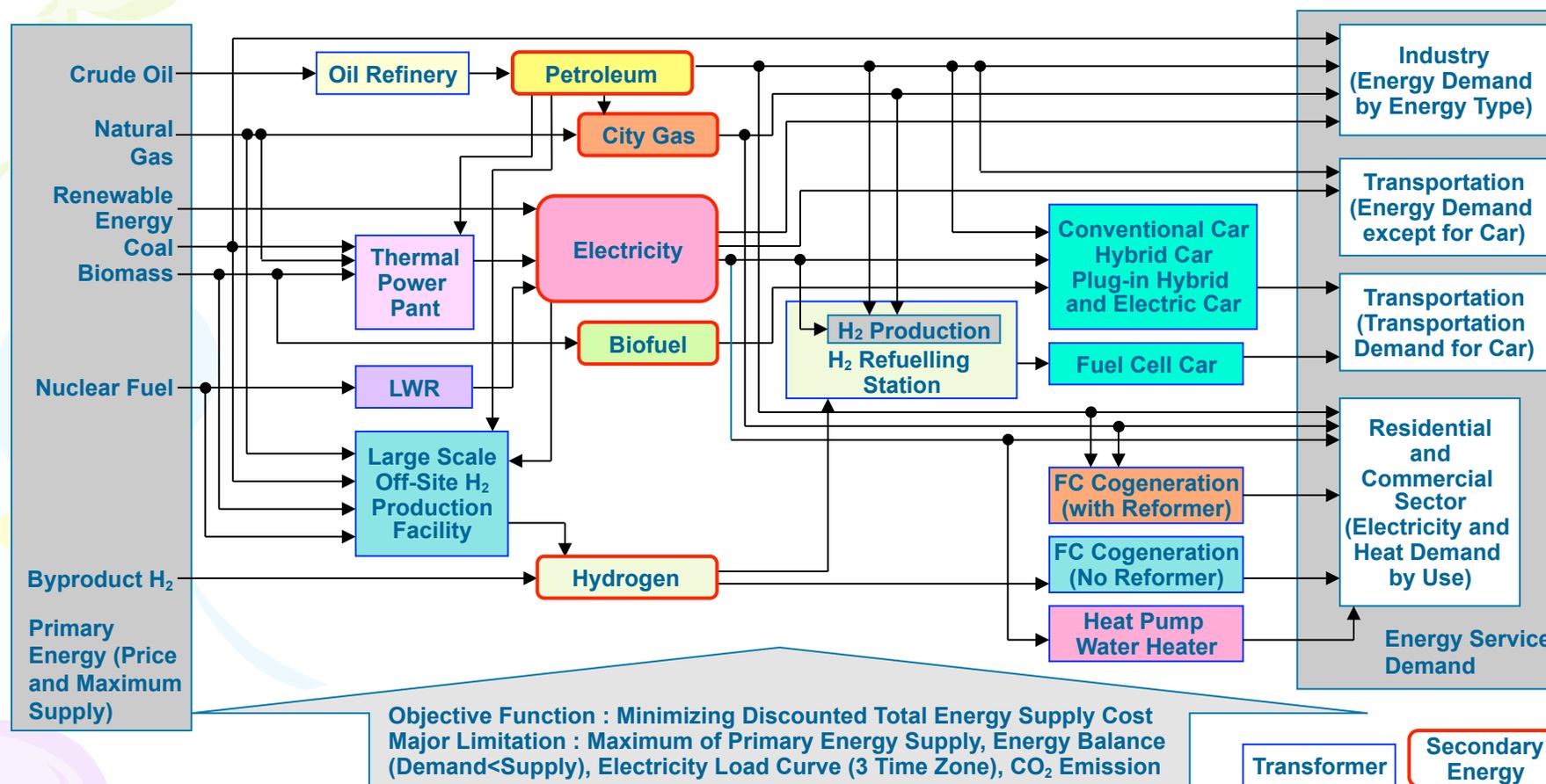


Small regional differences in electricity



Electricity is not a dominant fuel for heating. Instead, kerosene and heavy oil are mainly used and their demand vary seriously by region.

Structure of J-REM



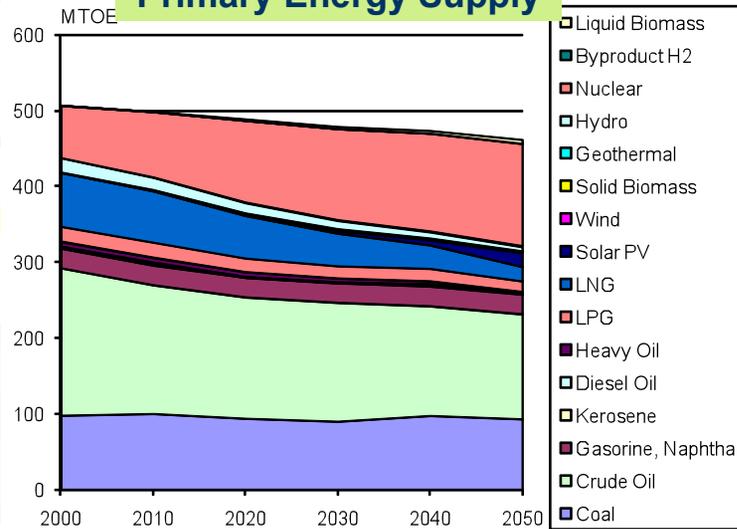
- Energy prices are exogenously given.
- Import limitation for fossil fuels are imposed.
- Renewables except for hydro and biomass are exogenously given.

Regional Differences in Assumption

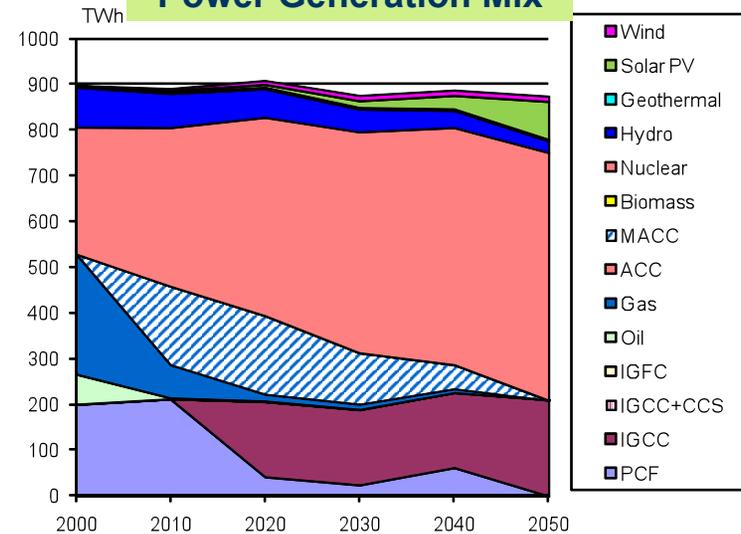
- **Heating Appliance** : Heat-storage electric heaters are used in cold and cool regions and air-conditioners aren't because of technical reasons.
- **COP (coefficient of performance) of Heat Pump Water Heater** : 2.0 in cold regions, 3.0 in cool regions and 4.0 in warm regions
- **Increase in Energy Service Demand** : Relatively small in cold and cool regions than in warm regions, considering future decreasing rates of population. As for use, relatively high in cooling and warming, considering the low-sufficiency rate of whole house air conditioning.

Result of BAU Case

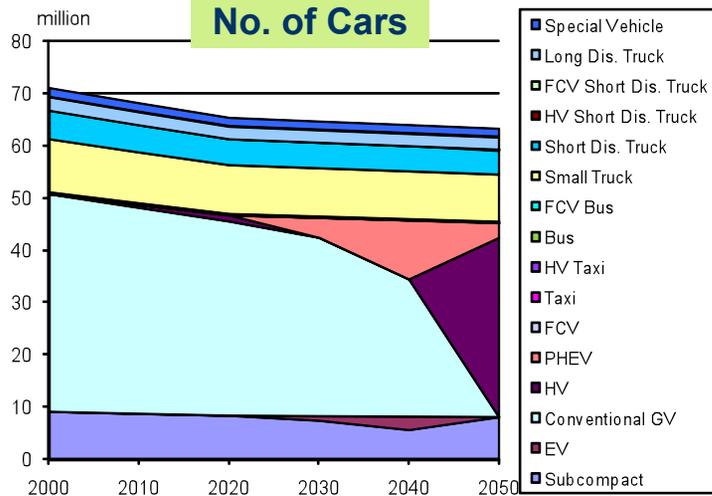
Primary Energy Supply



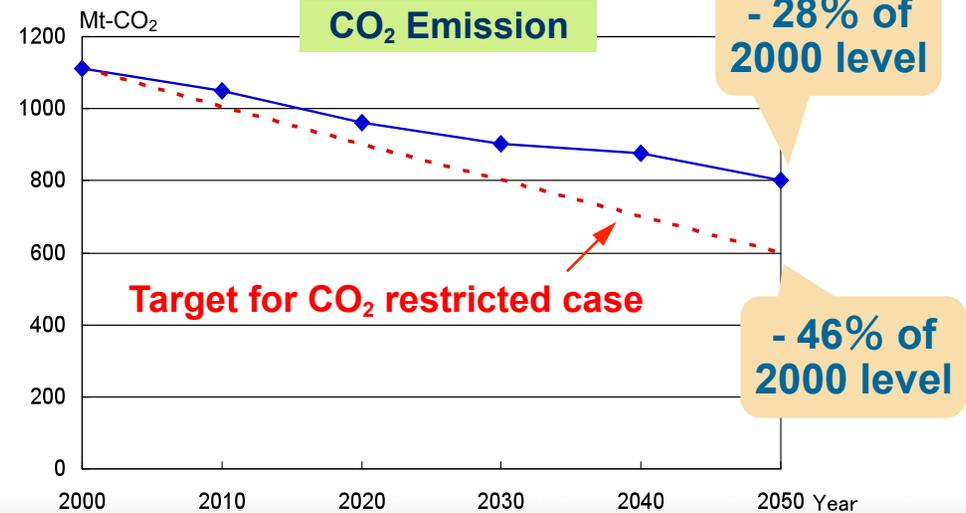
Power Generation Mix



No. of Cars

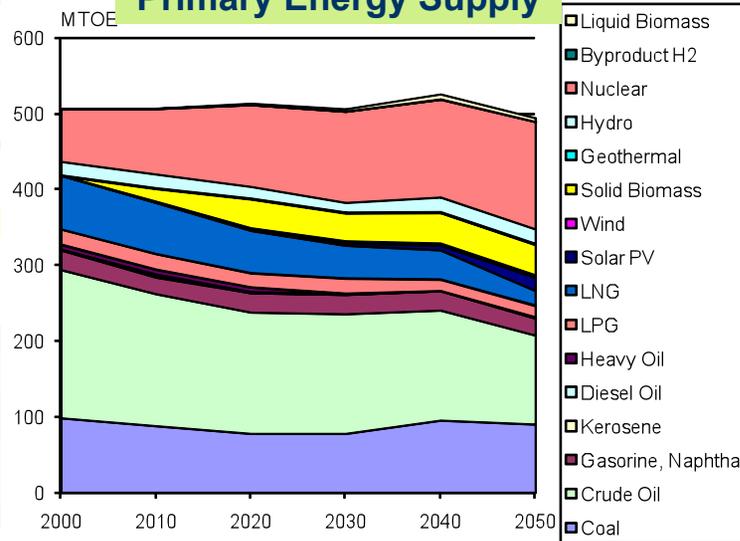


CO₂ Emission

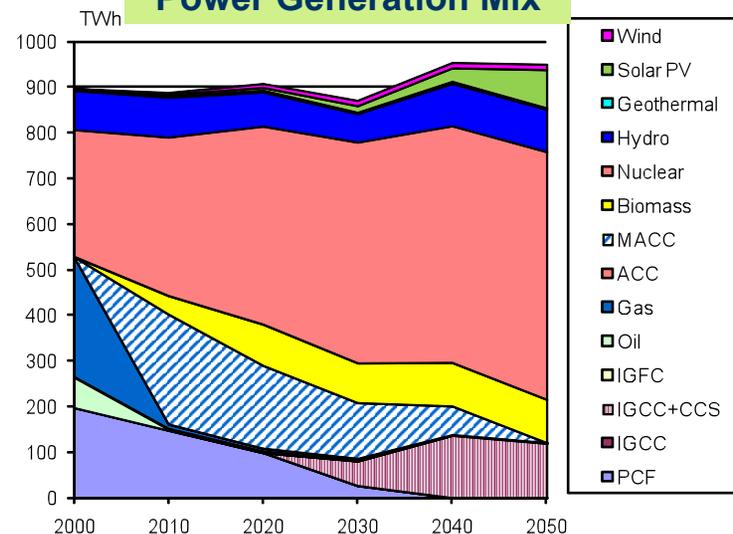


Result of CO₂ Restricted Case

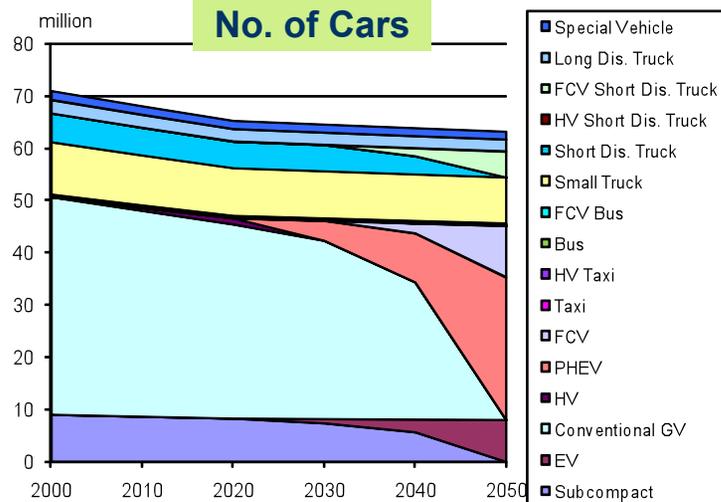
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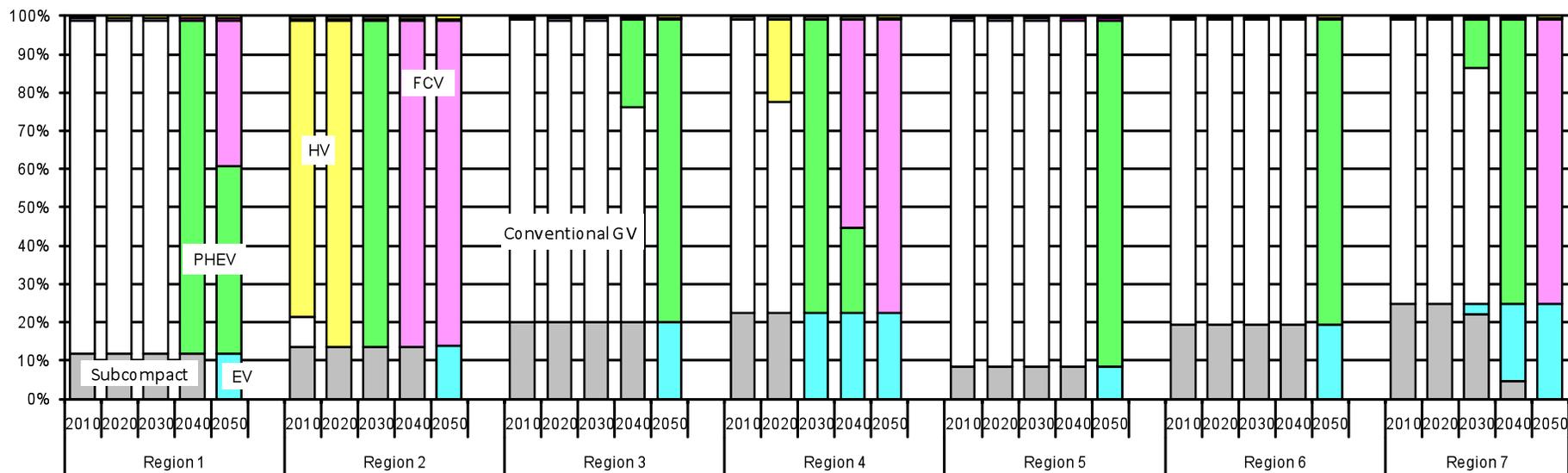


- Electrification is the key for large-scale CO₂ reduction.
- PHEV and EV in transportation and HP and heat-storage electric heaters in residential sectors will be used.
- As a result, electricity demand will increase compared with BAU case.

Main Results of CO₂ Restricted Case

- All kinds of Energy-efficient technologies which are not introduced in the BAU Case will be introduced.
- Remarkable regional differences are found in **passenger car** and **residential hot water supply**.
- **Passenger car** : in the region 2, 4, and 7, next-generation vehicles will be introduced earlier because population densities of these regions are relatively small and travel distance of cars are longer.
- **Hot water** : in warm and no city gas regions, HP water heater will be introduced earlier because COP is larger and heat demand is smaller than in colder regions.

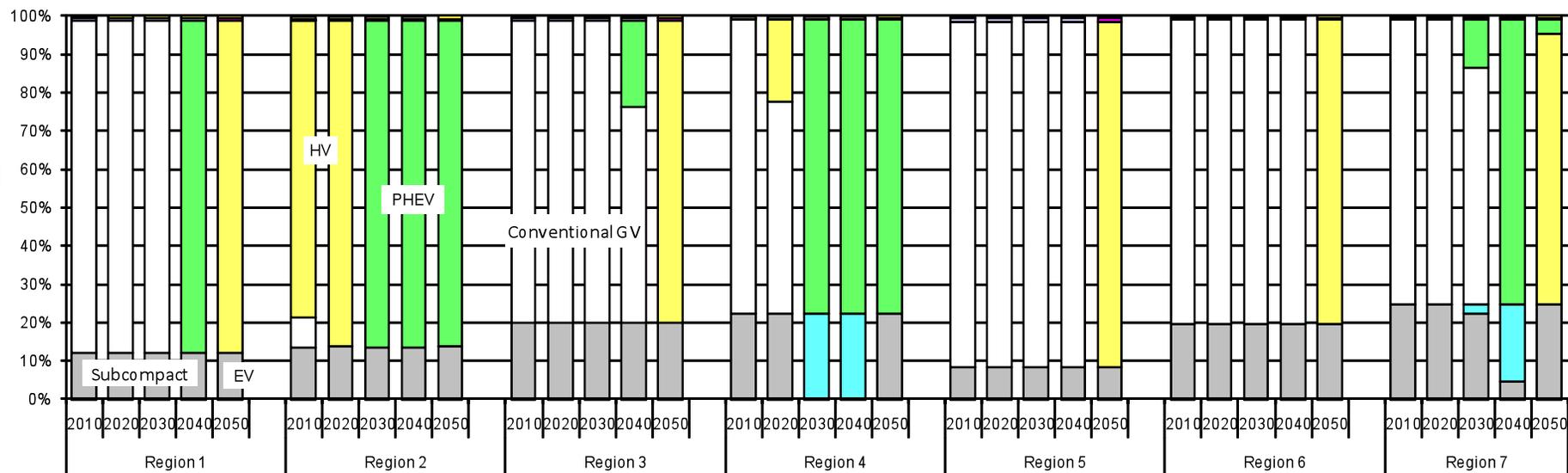
No. of Passenger Car (CO₂ Restricted Case)



Region	Changes in Technology Choice	Dominant Vehicle Type in 2050
1	GV → PHEV → FCV	PHEV
2	GV → HV → PHEV → FCV	FCV
3	GV → PHEV	PHEV
4	GV → HV → PHEV → FCV	FCV
5	GV → PHEV	PHEV
6	GV → PHEV	PHEV
7	GV → PHEV → FCV	FCV

In the region 5 and 6, penetration of next-generation vehicles is slow because of short driving distance. On the other hand, various vehicles will penetrate in the region 2 and 4.

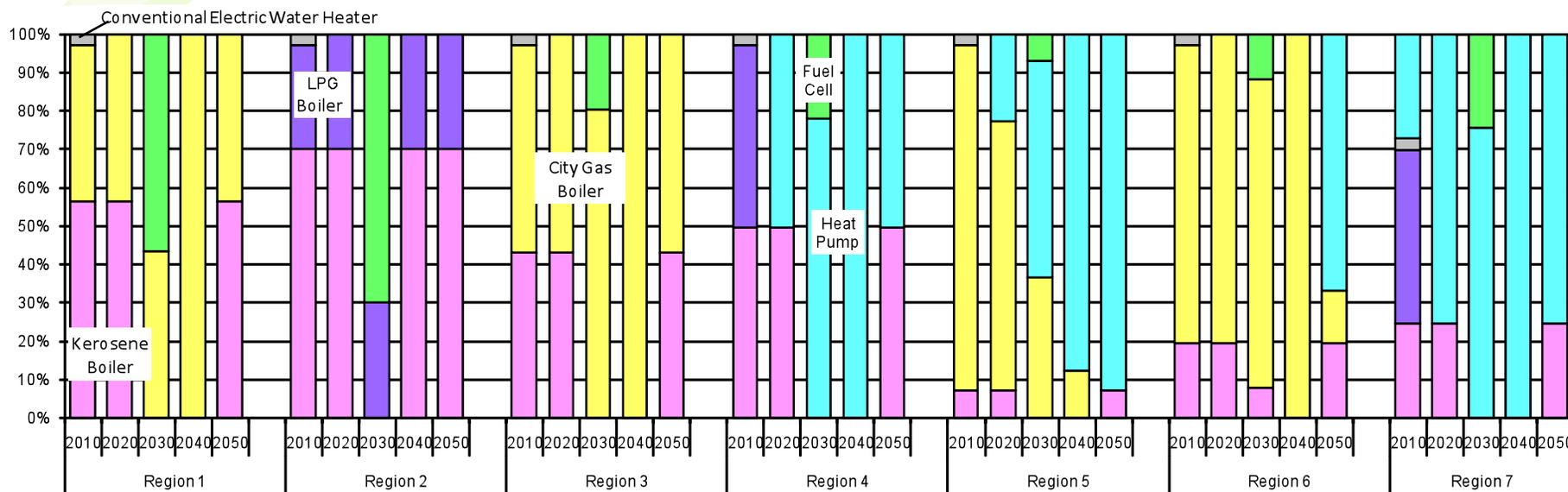
No. of Passenger Car (BAU Case)



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4	GV → PHEV	PHEV
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7	GV → PHEV → HV	HV

FCV is expensive and will be never used. PHEV or EV will be introduced, but they will return to HV or GV because of the changes in fuel prices.

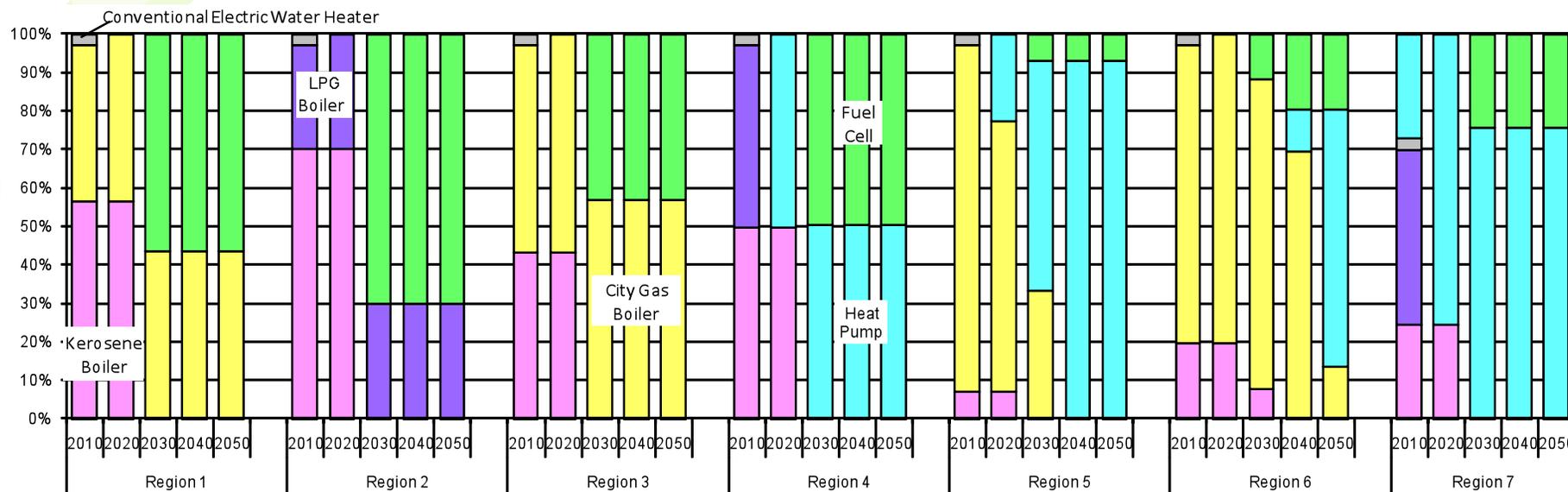
Res. Hot Water Supply (CO₂ Restricted Case)



Region	Changes in Technology Choice	Dominant Appliance (fuel) in 2050
1, 2	Fuel cell will be used in 2030, but boiler (latent heat recovery type) is dominant	Boiler (Kerosene)
3	Boiler (latent heat recovery type) is dominant throughout the period	Boiler (Kerosene)
4	Boiler → Heat Pump	Boiler (Kerosene) and Heat Pump (Electricity)
5 ~ 7	Boiler → Heat Pump	Heat Pump (Electricity)

Fuel cell will use kerosene as its fuel and will disappear in the latter period when the constraint of CO₂ emission will become severer.

Res. Hot Water Supply (BAU Case)



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4	Boiler → Heat Pump → Heat Pump · Fuel cell	Fuel cell (Kerosene) and Heat Pump (Electricity)
5 ~ 7	Boiler → Heat Pump	Heat Pump (Electricity)

Mainly because of economic reason, fuel cell will be introduced in the cold and cool regions compared with the CO₂ restricted case.

Results

- This study has analyzed the cost and effectiveness of various advanced energy supply and utilizing technologies in reducing CO₂ emissions by the year 2050 by employing the Japanese Regional Energy Model (J-REM).
- The results of test-run shows two remarkable differences in regional technology choices will happen to decrease CO₂ emission considerably and confirmed the importance of regional consideration.
- We will analyze the CO₂ reduction more precisely by checking various presuppositions and revise the model including the various changes happened after the 3.11 Fukushima I Nuclear Accident.

Scope of the J-REM model

Item	Scope
Region	Japan (7 regions for residential, commercial, and transportation sectors)
Time range	2000-2050, 6 points (every 10 years)
Energy demand	Exogenous (service demand for transportation and buildings sectors)
Primary energy type	15 types (coal, oil (6 types), gas, renewable (5 types), nuclear, H ₂)
Final energy type	12 types (coal, oil (5 types), gas (2 types), electricity, heat, H ₂ , biofuels)
Vehicle technologies	5 types (conventional, HV, PHEV, EV, and FCV)
Power generation technologies	9 types (coal-fired (4 types, one of them has a CCS option), oil-fired, gas-fired (3 types), nuclear)
On-site energy utilization technologies	Conventional system, stationary fuel cell cogeneration (building sector only, and heat pump water heater (residential sector only)
Supply of renewable energy	Exogenous for geothermal, PV, and wind power generation Endogenous for hydropower and biomass power generation
Load duration curve of electricity	Considered (approximation by 3 time patterns function)
Energy conservation	Considered (demand changed by using assumed price elasticity)

Assumptions for Main Variables

Item	Unit	Year						
		2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	
Energy Price	Crude oil	\$/bbl	28.0	52.2	80.1	89.0	93.9	99.1
	Petroleum products	\$/TOE	193.0	360.0	551.8	613.1	647.0	682.8
	LNG	\$/TOE	187.7	315.1	430.0	478.2	504.6	532.5
	Coal	\$/TOE	52.7	123.9	129.4	134.4	141.8	149.7
Energy Service	Industry	MTOE/y	193.0	192.4	191.7	190.7	189.7	188.8
	Residential	MTOE/y	48.4	49.7	51.2	53.9	57.0	60.3
	Commercial	MTOE/y	40.0	44.7	49.9	50.0	50.2	50.6
	Transportation	MTOE/y	98.9	94.9	90.9	90.0	89.0	88.0
Nuclear Power	Capacity	GW	45.08	50.38	61.50	68.13	73.10	76.41
	Capacity factor	%	81.0	81.0	81.0	81.0	81.0	81.0
PV Capacity		GW	0.33	3.0	6.0	14.0	28.0	79.0
Upper limits of ownership rate of next generation cars		Owner%	0.0	3.0	3.0	10.0	30.0	100.0