

Networking in the Long Emergency

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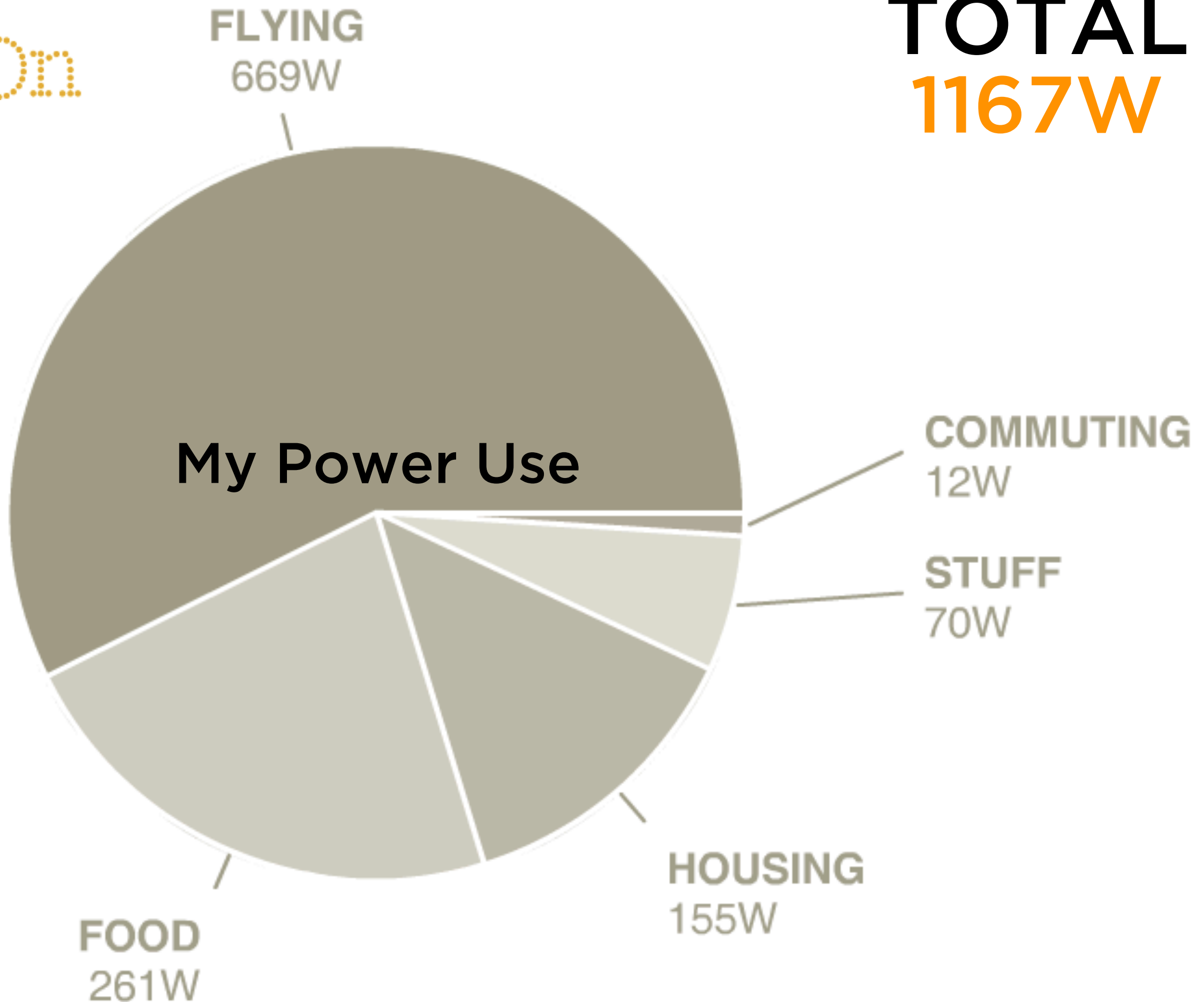
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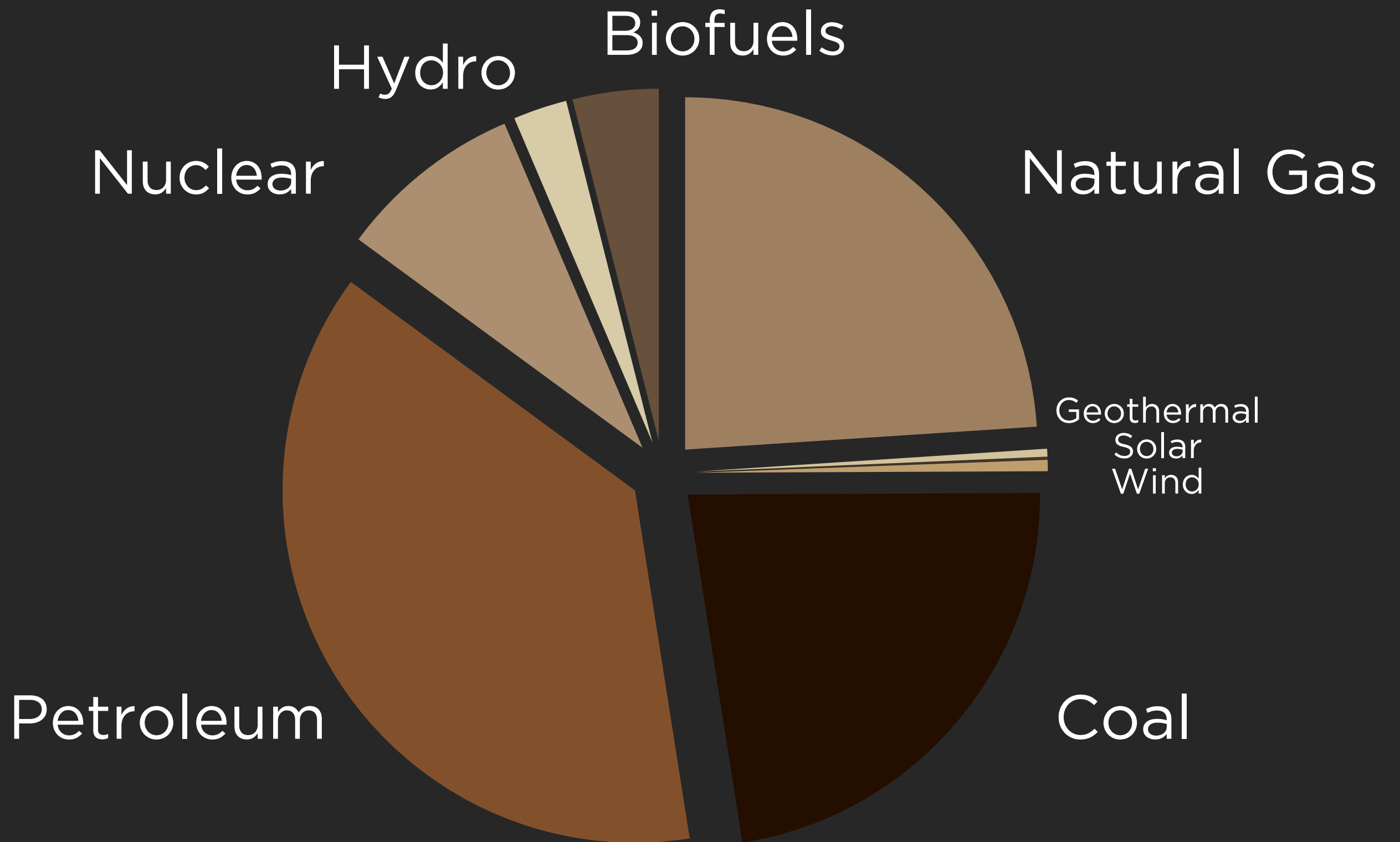
How do we use energy?

What are the consequences?

ENERGY

TOTAL
1167W





US Energy Sources 2008 [DOE EIA]

OIL

Why do we use oil?

Easy to pump, transport, store

Stable at useful temperatures

Easily refined into numerous forms

High energy density



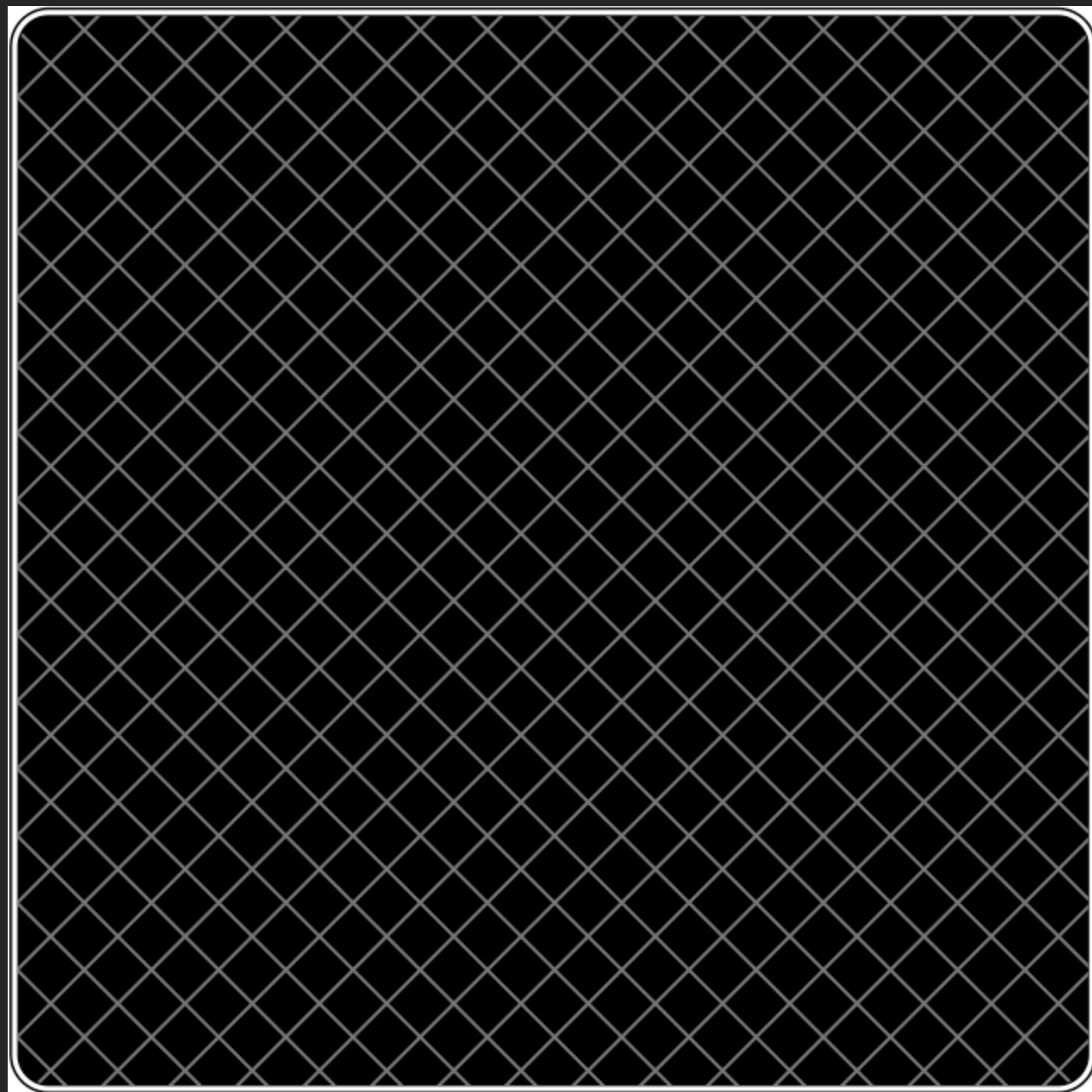
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Oil: 0.7 gallons/day



1167W



Solar PV: 418 sq. ft
(15% efficiency, good siting)

Food Production

Tilling, Planting, Irrigation, Pesticides,
Harvesting, Packaging, Transportation

Transportation

Cars, Trucks, Planes, Ships, Trains, Buses

heart valves • asphalt • crayons • parachutes • phones • dishwashing liquid • IV drips • tape • pop tarts • smoke detectors • strollers • candles • chicken nuggets • antiseptics • credit cards • deodorant • tupperware • ziplock bags • panty hose • air conditioners • shower curtains • shoes • volleyballs • floor wax • lipstick • synthetic clothing • coal extraction • bubble gum • car bodies • tires • paint • pens • markers • hair dryers • ammonia • eyeglasses • contacts • insect repellent • pesticides • hair coloring • movie film • ice chests • loudspeakers • basketballs • footballs • combs/brushes • linoleum • fishing rods • rubber boots • water pipes • motorcycle helmets • fishing lures • petroleum jelly • lip balm • antihistamines • golf balls • dice • insulation • trash bags • rubber cement • cold cream • umbrellas • ink • hearing aids • CDs/DVDs • mops • bandages • artificial turf • cameras • glue • shoe polish • caulking • stereos • flooring • toilet seats • car batteries • refrigerators • carpet • pharmaceuticals • solvents • nail polish • lighters • balloons • artificial flavoring • perfumes • toothpaste • toothbrushes • plastic forks • hair curlers • plastic cups/lids • electric blankets • oil filters • light switches • guitar strings • skis • upholstery • thermoses • plastic chairs • clingwrap • rubber bands • computers • gasoline • diesel • kerosene • heating oil • motor oil • jet fuel • bunker fuel

OIL DEPLETION

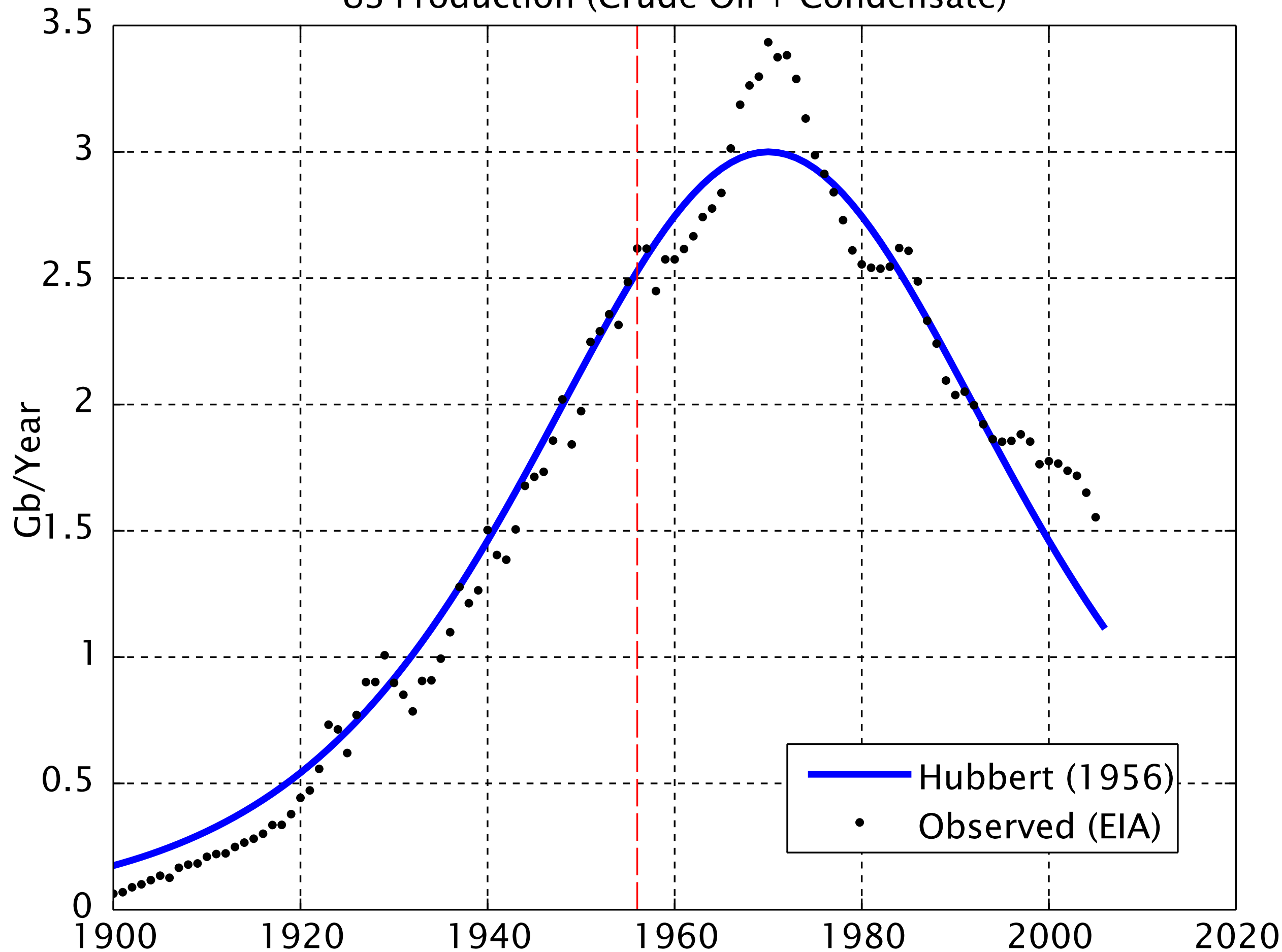
Oil Discovery

1. Sonar, etc. to map geological formations.
2. Drill test wells.

Oil Production

3. Build infrastructure.
4. Pump oil.
5. Production rate increases for some time.
6. Production rate declines.

US Production (Crude Oil + Condensate)



“My grandfather rode a camel, my father rode a camel, I drive a Mercedes, my son drives a Land Rover, his son will drive a Land Rover, but his son will ride a camel.”

-- Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Al Maktoum
(Prime Minister, UAE 1979-1990)

When might a final production peak occur?

In 2005, the US Department of Energy commissioned a study to answer this question, and to examine its consequences.

Peaking of World Oil Production: Impacts, Mitigation, and Risk Management, known as

The Hirsch Report

Hirsch Report: Projections

2006/7 - Bakhtiari
2007-9 - Simmons
2007+ - Skrebowski
2009 - Deffeyes
2010 - Goodstein
2010 - Campbell
2010+ - World Energy Council
2010-20 - Laherrere
2015 - Oxford University
2016 - DOE EIA
2020+ - CERA
2025+ - Shell Oil

“Peaking will result in dramatically higher oil prices, which will cause protracted economic hardship in the United States and the world. However, the problems are not insoluble. Timely, aggressive mitigation initiatives addressing both the supply and the demand sides of the issue will be required.”

Other recent reports

UK Industry Task Force on Peak Oil (peak: 2014-2015)
German military (peak: 2010)
Kuwait university (peak: 2014)
US Defense Department (peak: 2012)
Lloyds of London (peak: 2013)

Upsides

Increased Iraqi production

Downsides

Net exports vs. gross production

Geopolitical instability

Overstated reserves / capacity

So Far...

Peak year: 2005 (conventional crude)

Peak month: July 2008 (conventional crude)

Peak year: 2011-2015? (all liquids)

Mitigation approach:

Burn more coal

Process coal, heavy oil, tar sands into
synthetic fuels

Try to extract more oil from old fields

CLIMATE CHANGE

RESPONSES

Change behavior

(use less)

Change sources

(find more)

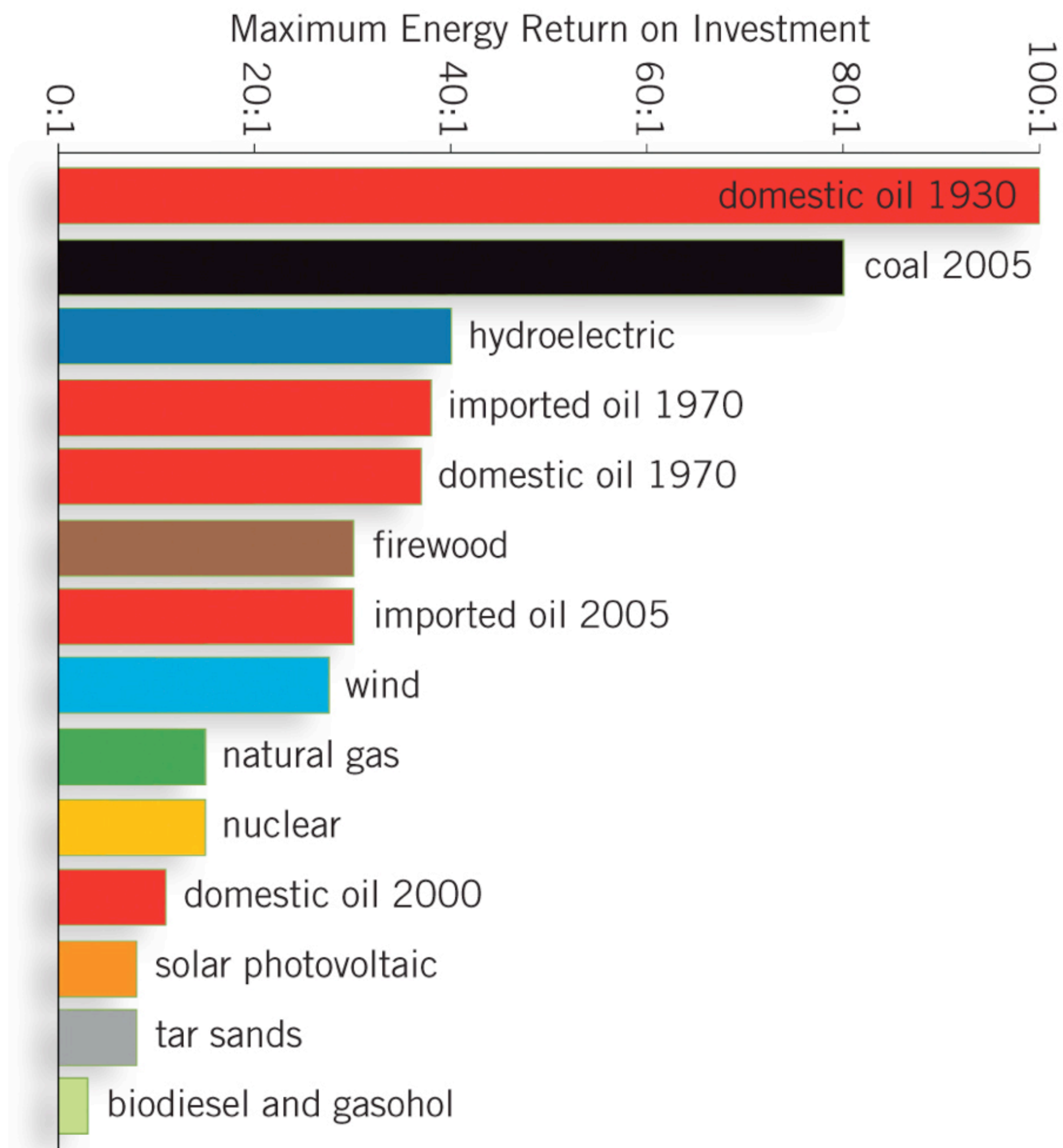
Oil depletion mitigation:
move to coal and tar sands.

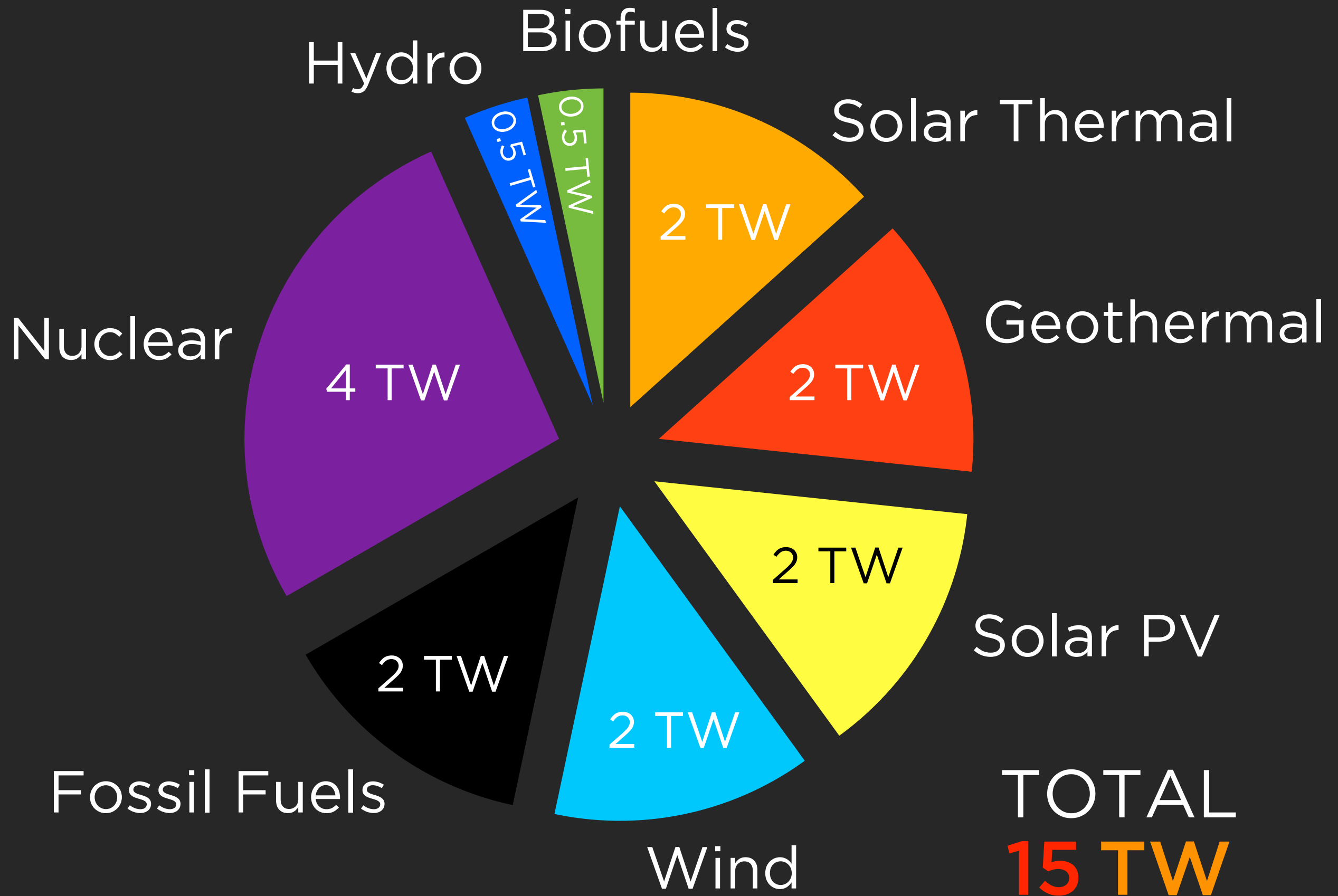
Climate mitigation: eliminate
fossil fuel use, especially coal;
move to non-carbon energy.

Both: eliminate fossil fuel use.



I was promised a Mr. Fusion





Power Profile for 2030-2035 [Griffith09]

Source
(New capacity)

How Much?
(New capacity
in 2030-2035 mix)

How Fast?
(Manufacturing rate required,
sustained over 20 years)

Solar PV

2 TW

100 m² photovoltaic / sec

Solar Thermal

2 TW

50 m² mirrors / sec

Wind

2 TW

12 x 100m turbines / hour

Nuclear

3 TW

3 x 1GW plants / week

Geothermal

2 TW

3 x 100MW turbines / day

Biofuel

0.5 TW

1250 m³ oil algae / sec

New Generating Capacity for 2030-2035 [Griffith09]

Source

(New capacity)

How Fast?

(Manufacturing rate required,
sustained over 20 years)

Capacity

(Optimistic estimate
of manufacturing
potential)

Solar PV

100 m² PV/sec

35 m² PV/sec

Solar Thermal

50 m² mirrors/sec

large?

Wind

12 x 100m turbines/hr

5 turbines/hr

Nuclear

3 x 1GW plants/wk

0.5 plants/wk

Geothermal

3 x 100MW turbines/day

3 turbines/month

Biofuel

1250 m³ oil algae/sec

2 m³ oil algae/sec

Energy transition: ~20 year crash program required.

Crash program: ~7 TW short by 2030s.

Oil peak: ~3 years until all-liquids peak.

CONSEQUENCES

Turning points

Peak per-capita gross
energy production

1979

Peak net energy production

~1990

Peak conventional oil production

2005/2008

Peak total gross energy production

2011-2015

Turning points

Peak per-capita gross energy production

1979

Peak grain per capita

~1986

Peak wild fish catch

1989-1995

Peak net energy production

~1990

Peak fresh water availability

~2000

Peak conventional oil production

2005/2008

Peak total gross energy production

2011-2015

Peak coal

~2020s

Peak rock phosphorus

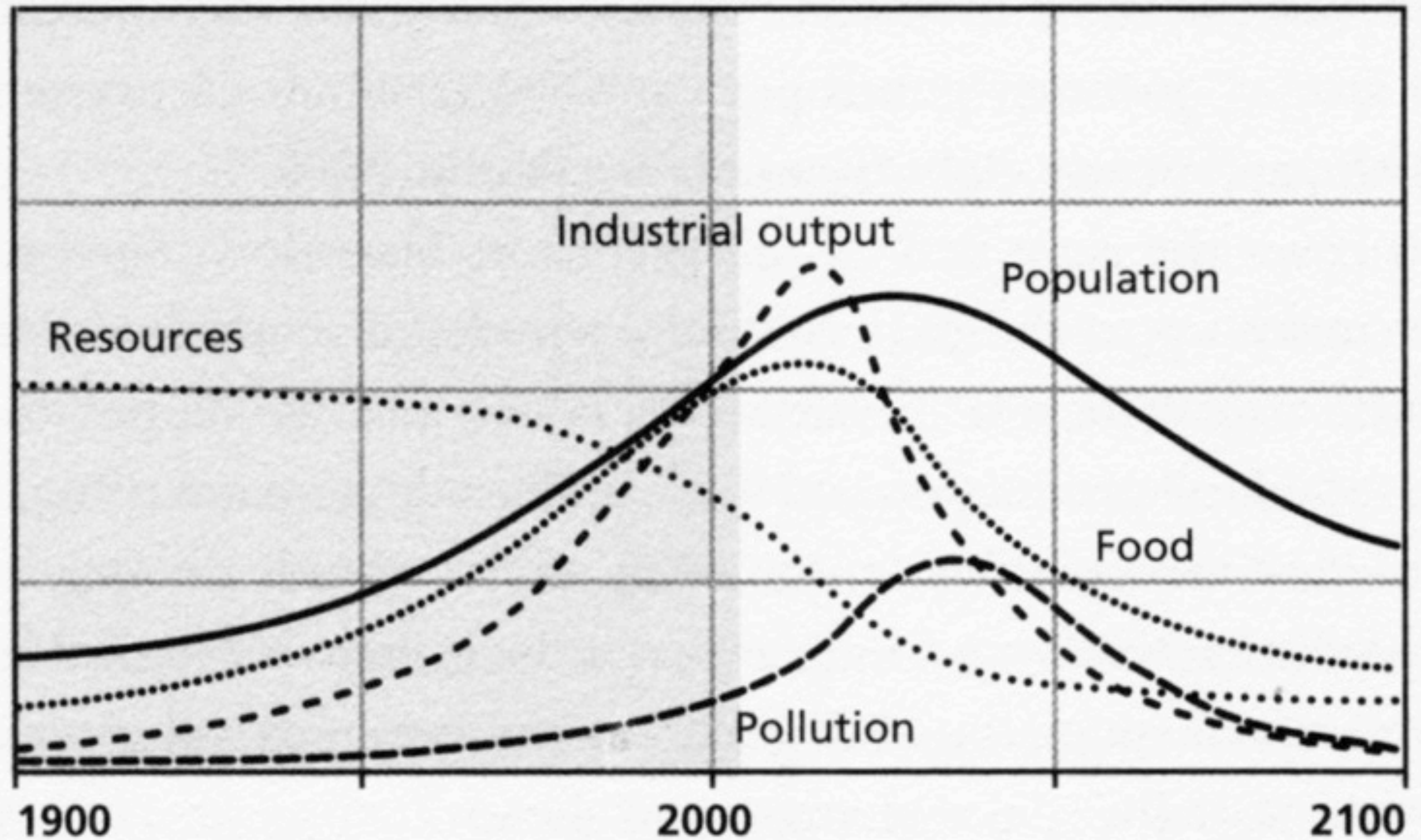
~2030s

“The long-run impact of sustained, significantly increased oil prices associated with oil peaking will be severe. **Virtually certain are increases in inflation and unemployment, declines in the output of goods and services, and a degradation of living standards. Without timely mitigation,** the long-run impact on the developed economies will almost certainly be extremely damaging, while many developing nations will likely be even worse off.”

“Energy scarcity will cause a recession of a new kind - one from which anything other than a temporary, partial recovery will be impossible. We humans may, if we are intelligent and deliberate, create a different kind of economy in the future, building steady-state, low-energy, sustainable societies...But the industrial-growth global economy that we are familiar with will be gone forever. The timing of this event will depend upon that of the global petroleum production peak.”

Limits to Growth

State of the World



[Meadows04]

NETWORKING IN THE LONG EMERGENCY

“If I had my finger on the switch, I’d keep the juice flowing to the Internet even if I had to turn off everything else...The Net is the one solvent we can still afford; jet travel can’t be our salvation in an age of climate shock and dwindling oil, so the kind of trip you can take with the click of a mouse will have to substitute.”

A SCENARIO

Premises

Volatile descent
Economic challenges
Liquid fuel constraints
Stalling trends
Relocalization
Shrinking user bases

PRINCIPLES

P1. TARGET ABSOLUTE CONSUMPTION

P2. ACCOUNT
FOR ALL
INPUTS

P3. REUSE
HARDWARE +
SOFTWARE

P4. DESIGN RESILIENT SYSTEMS

P5. BECOME

MULTIDISCIPLINARY

P6. **BUILD SELF-
SUSTAINING
SYSTEMS**

Network Structure

Reevaluation

Integration

Components & Tools

Now What?

- a) We have some serious challenges ahead
- b) There's a lot that needs doing, soon
- c) There's a lot we can do, if we're creative

READING

RECOMMENDED

Eaarth, **McKibben**
The Party's Over, **Heinberg**
The Long Descent, **Greer**

ENERGY

Peaking of World Oil Production, **Hirsch et al.**
Sustainable Energy without the Hot Air, **MacKay**

CLIMATE

Climate Change 2007 (3 volumes), **IPCC**
Six Degrees, **Lynas**

RELATED

The Ecotechnic Future, **Greer**
The Post Carbon Reader, **Heinberg et al.**
What We Leave Behind, **Jensen**
Deep Economy, **McKibben**
The Omnivore's Dilemma, **Pollan**

CLASSICS

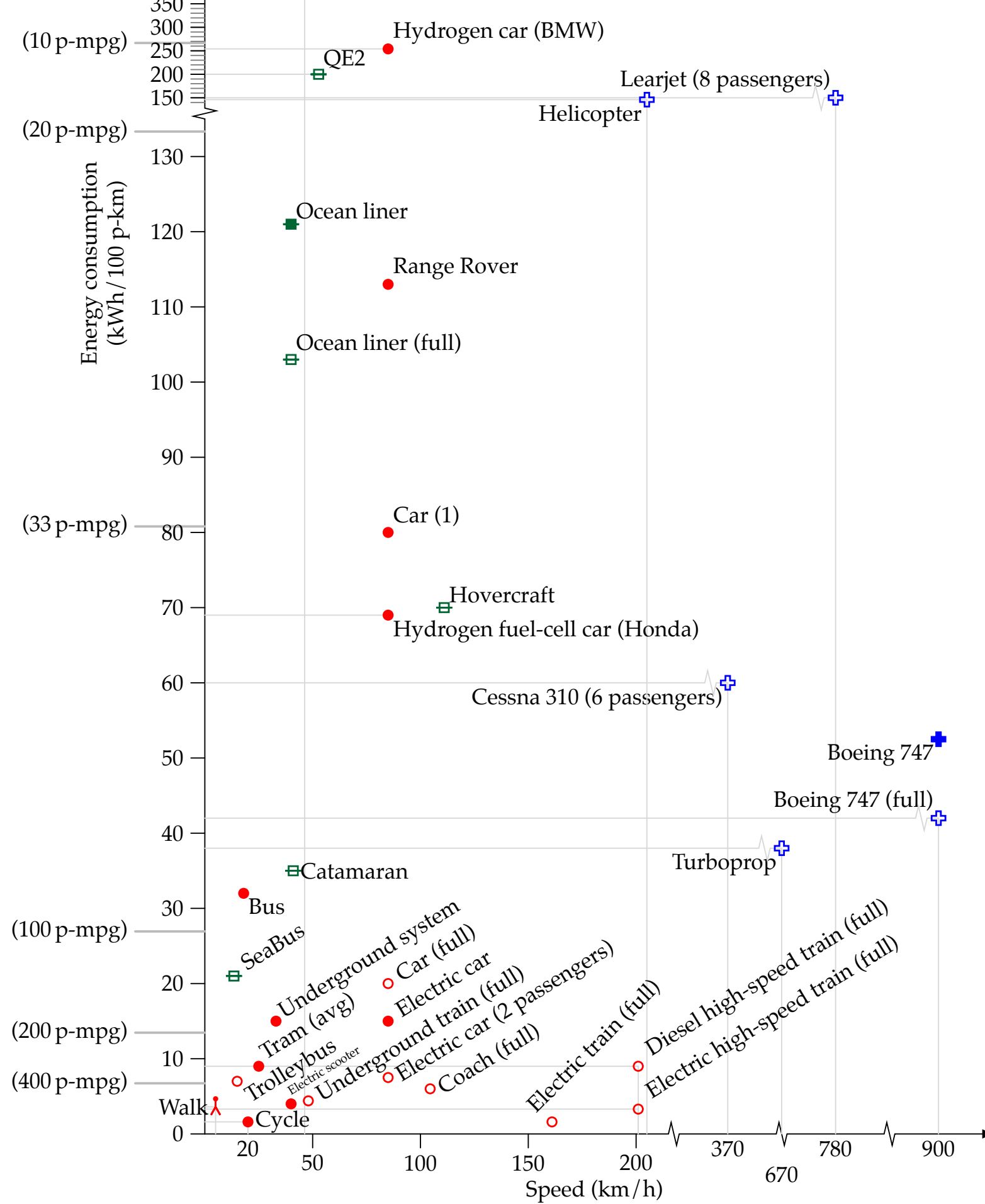
Overshoot, **Catton**
The Structure of Scientific Revolutions, **Kuhn**
The Limits to Growth, **Meadows**
Technics and Civilization / The Myth of the Machine, **Mumford**
The Collapse of Complex Societies, **Tainter**

Non-Goals

- a) Present an optimistic or pessimistic view
- b) Address ethical or political questions
- c) Predict cornucopia or apocalypse



The Pacific Electric Railway
Los Angeles, 1956



Transportation [MacKay09]

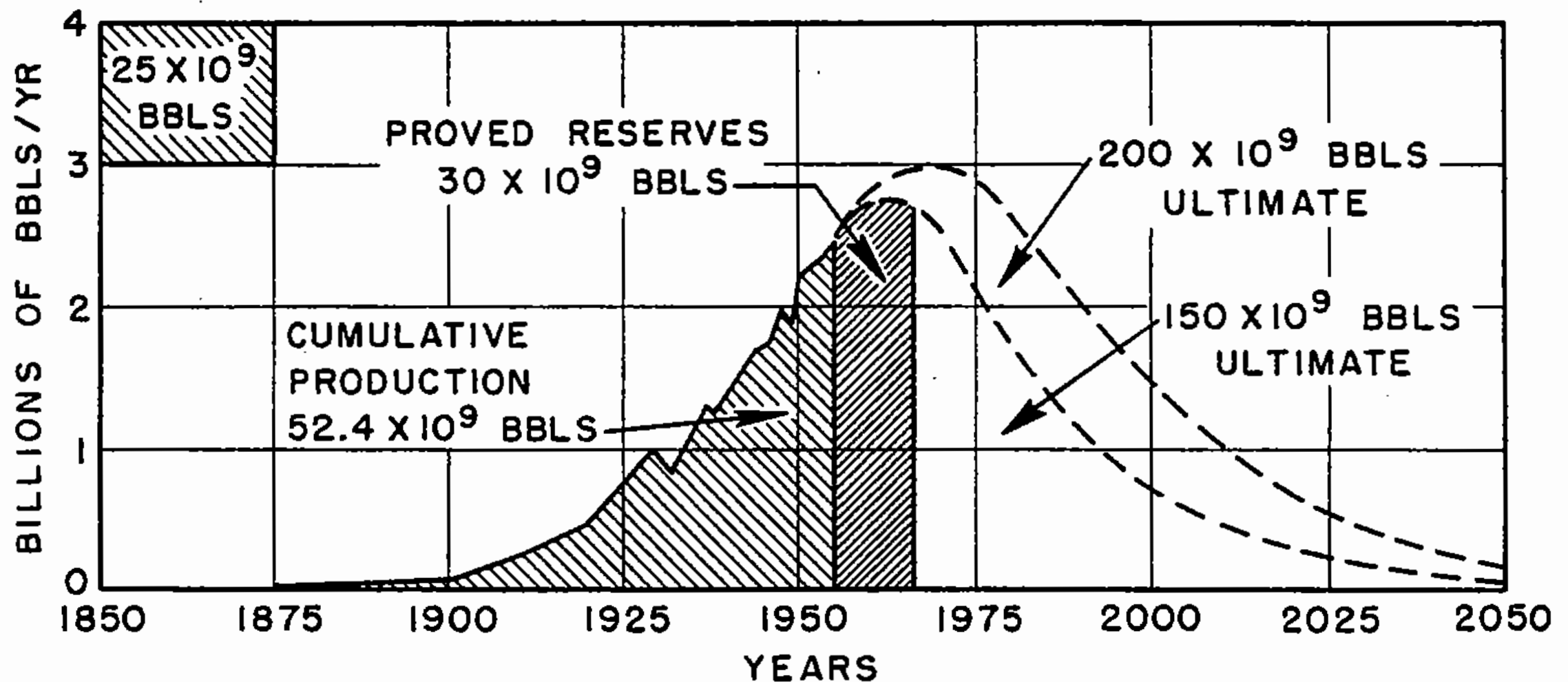


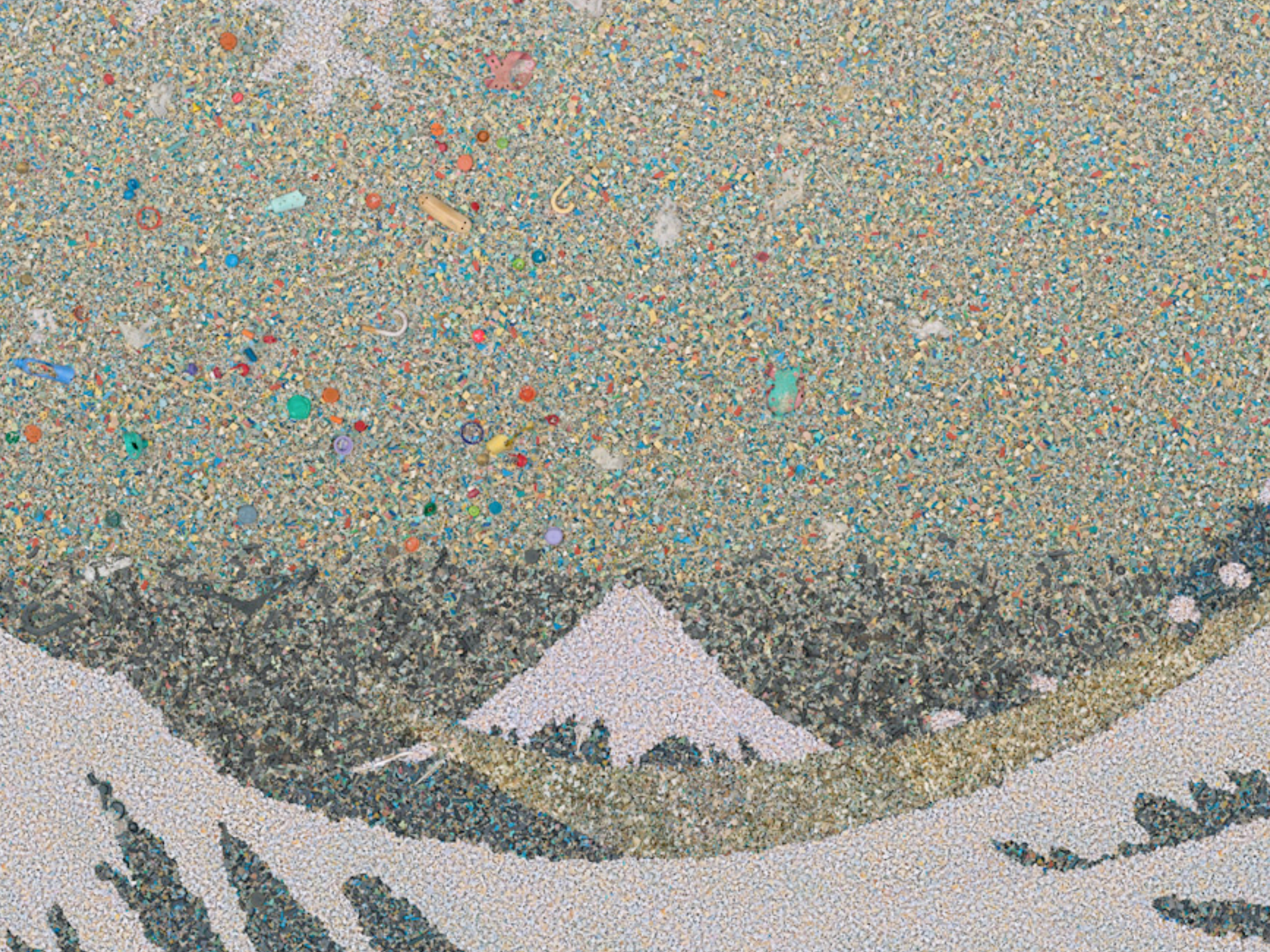
Figure 21 – Ultimate United States crude-oil production based on assumed initial reserves of 150 and 200 billion barrels.

“It is difficult for people living now, who have become accustomed to the steady exponential growth in the consumption of energy from the fossil fuels, to realize how transitory the fossil fuel epoch will eventually prove to be when it is viewed over a longer span of human history.”

大平洋に浮かぶ島の風景

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Running the Numbers [chrisjordan.com]

The Oil Age

World Oil Production 1859 - 2050

Oil is created from the remains of plants and animals that died over millions of years. The source of most oil found today can be traced to two brief periods of global warming some 90 and 150 million years ago, and to the shallow seas teeming with algae that covered much of the earth at the time. As generations of sea life settled to the bottom, a unique carbon-rich sedimentary rock was formed. Over time, some of the rock sank to just the right depth, where the earth's natural heat gently cooked the rock's organic fraction, transforming it into a dark liquid. Petroleum—literally "rock oil"—was born.

After its creation, oil can migrate great distances, and much of it eventually escapes to the surface. Prehistoric humans gathered thick crude from pools and smeared it on boats and dwellings to repel water. Seeps of burning crude attracted ancient man, inspiring at least one religion.¹ The Chinese and Indians made medicines from petroleum, while oil-soaked "Greek fire" wreaked havoc on Medieval battlefronts.

The Oil Age began in earnest in 1859, when Edwin Drake drilled one of the world's first commercial oil wells in Titusville, Pennsylvania. Marked had discovered how to tap the immense stores of oil—some two trillion barrels—that lay trapped below the earth under cap rock. In the early decades of the oil age, most petroleum was refined into kerosene for illuminating the homes and businesses of a rapidly industrializing world.

Oil proved more effective than coal in running the world's movies, trains and shipping networks. The rise of the

automobile propelled demand for a new type of refined oil—gasoline—that surpassed kerosene in total production by 1910. Oil revolutionized war, fueling a new generation of motorized tanks, airplanes and submarines. Oil powered the rapid suburbanization of America in the 1950s and 1960s, as millions took to the road and air travel took off.

Unimaginable everyday products—from pharmaceuticals to clothing to computers—depend on oil and its refining into complex chemicals and plastics. Modern industrial farming, which feeds much of the world, would grind to a halt if it were deprived of diesel-powered tractors, oil- and gas-based fertilizers to grow and harvest crops, and the fuel to process, package and ship food to supermarkets worldwide. Stoked with cheap calories, the world's population has skyrocketed—from 1.5 billion at the start of the Oil Age to more than 6 billion in 2005.

Oil is an incredibly dense energy source. A gallon of crude weighing 3.2 kilos generates as much energy as five kilos of coal, 10 kilos of wood, or the work of 50 people tilling all day. Oil supplies about 40% of the industrial world's total energy needs and 95% of the fuel used to transport people and goods. Uniquely portable, oil can be shipped anywhere in the world in tankers, trucks and trains. Interruptions in the flow of oil have led to severe disruptions in industrial societies, as witnessed during the 1973 and 1979 oil shocks.

Oil is finite and non-renewable. Of the earth's total endowment of conventional crude, we've consumed about half so far. Discovery of oil peaked in the mid-1960s and by

the early 1980s we began consuming more oil than we found. Today experts say we consume about four to six barrels of oil for each one discovered, a trend that is leading the world to an inevitable turning point: the peak and then decline of global oil production.

The bell-curved phenomenon of oil production and depletion was first explored by geophysicist M. King Hubbert, who in 1956 correctly predicted the 1970-1971 peak in U.S. production. Today, about three-quarters of the world's largest oil-producing countries have reached their peak and have fallen into permanent decline.² Indeed, if the projections of a growing number of scientists prove correct, we are now entering the second half of the Oil Age, one characterized by dwindling supplies of man's most essential commodity. Whether substitutes can be developed soon enough to sustain modern energy-intensive societies is a question that looms larger every day.

About the Oil Depletion Model

Almost 200 years of the Oil Age are depicted in the main chart, which combines historical oil production data with projections of future output published by the Association for the Study of Peak Oil & Gas (ASPO), a network of scientists dedicated to studying the "date and impact of the peak and decline of world oil and gas production." Estimates of future oil output are based on public and private assessments of the world's ultimately recoverable oil supplies and assumptions regarding the future rate of depletion for individual countries.³



The Power of Oil

Transportation

About 55% of oil goes to power the world's cars, trucks, airplanes, trains, and ships, together consuming some 400 million barrels a day. For many types of transportation—including cars, trucks and airplanes—there are few realistic alternatives to oil. Today the world depends on oil in the form of gasoline, diesel and kerosene for 95% of its transportation energy needs.

Food

It's estimated that people in the industrial world consume about 10 calories of fossil fuel for every calorie they eat. Oil powers the tractors on the farm and the trucks that ship crops and livestock to market. It runs factories that turn farm products into packaged foods. Fertilizers and herbicides are oil- and gas-based. Without these fossil fuel "inputs," farm yields could drop 50% or more, experts say.

Energy Sources

Only 40% of the world's energy comes from oil, and more than 80% comes from fossil fuels (oil, natural gas and coal).

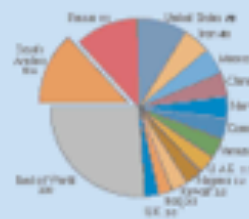


Production and Consumption

Oil Producers

in millions of barrels per day, 2004

World total: 80 million barrels/day



Top Oil Exporters

in millions of barrels per day, 2004



Oil Consumers

in millions of barrels per day, 2004

World total: 80 million barrels/day



Top Oil Importers

in millions of barrels per day, 2004



World Oil Reserves

in billion barrels of oil, 2004

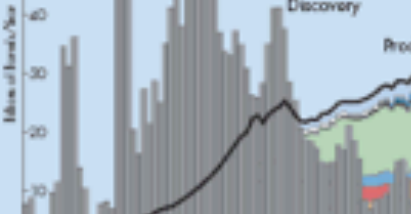


The Growing Gap

For most of the 20th century, explorers discovered far more oil than industrial societies could consume. The 1930s oil boom in Texas, global markets and led to production quotas to prevent prices from collapsing.

The big Texas finds were followed by even larger discoveries in the Middle East. The world's largest oil field, Ghawar, was discovered in Saudi Arabia in 1948 and has been pumping oil for more than 50 years.

Global oil demand has risen and has been rising for the world's oil. Today, the world consumes oil at a rate that is faster than it is being discovered. Because you have entered the growing day of reducing oil production and buying it.



**Energy consumed and what we paid for it (adjusted to 2010 dollars) for 20-year period
1989 – 2008 from latest US Department of Energy data**

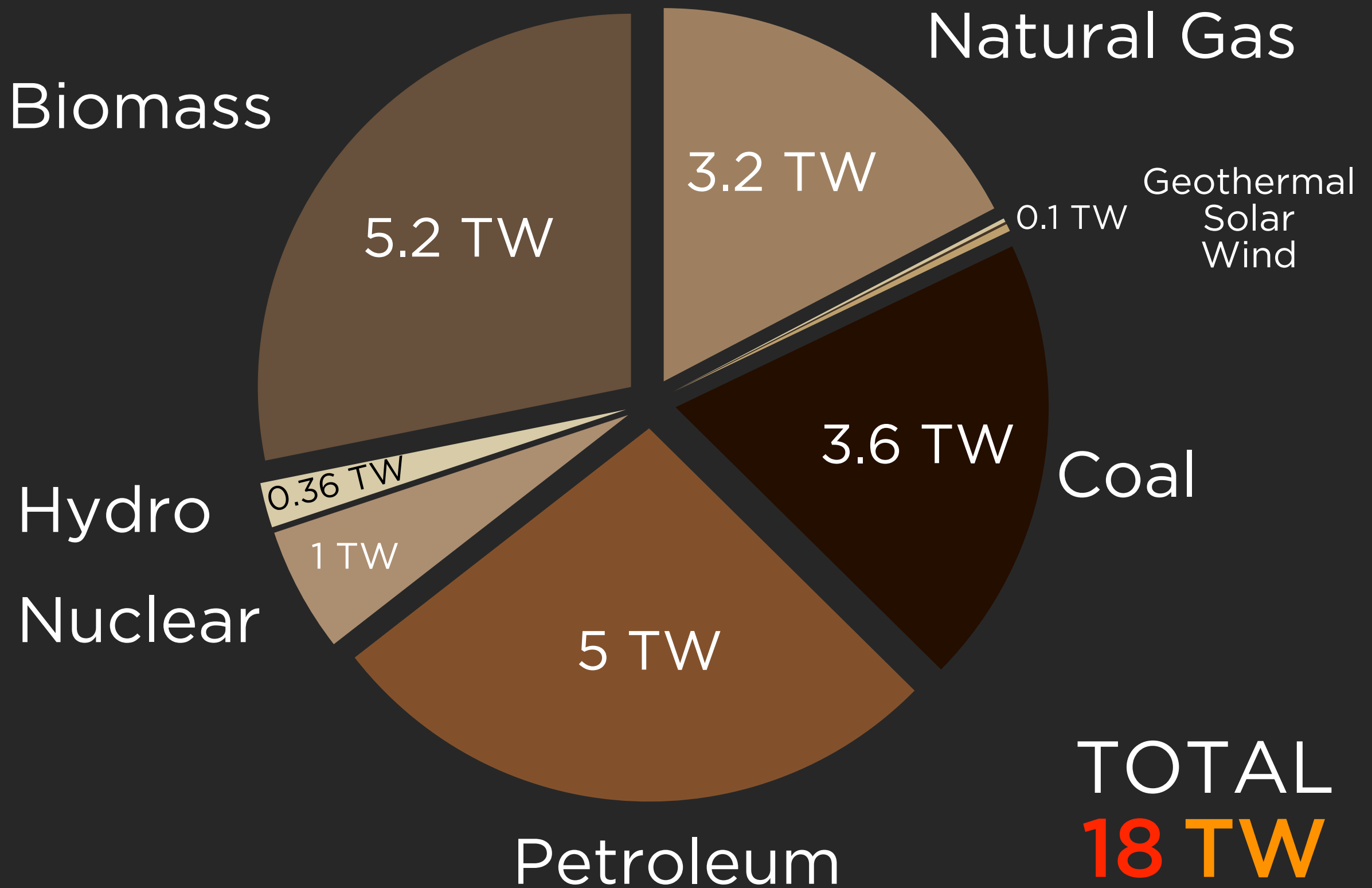
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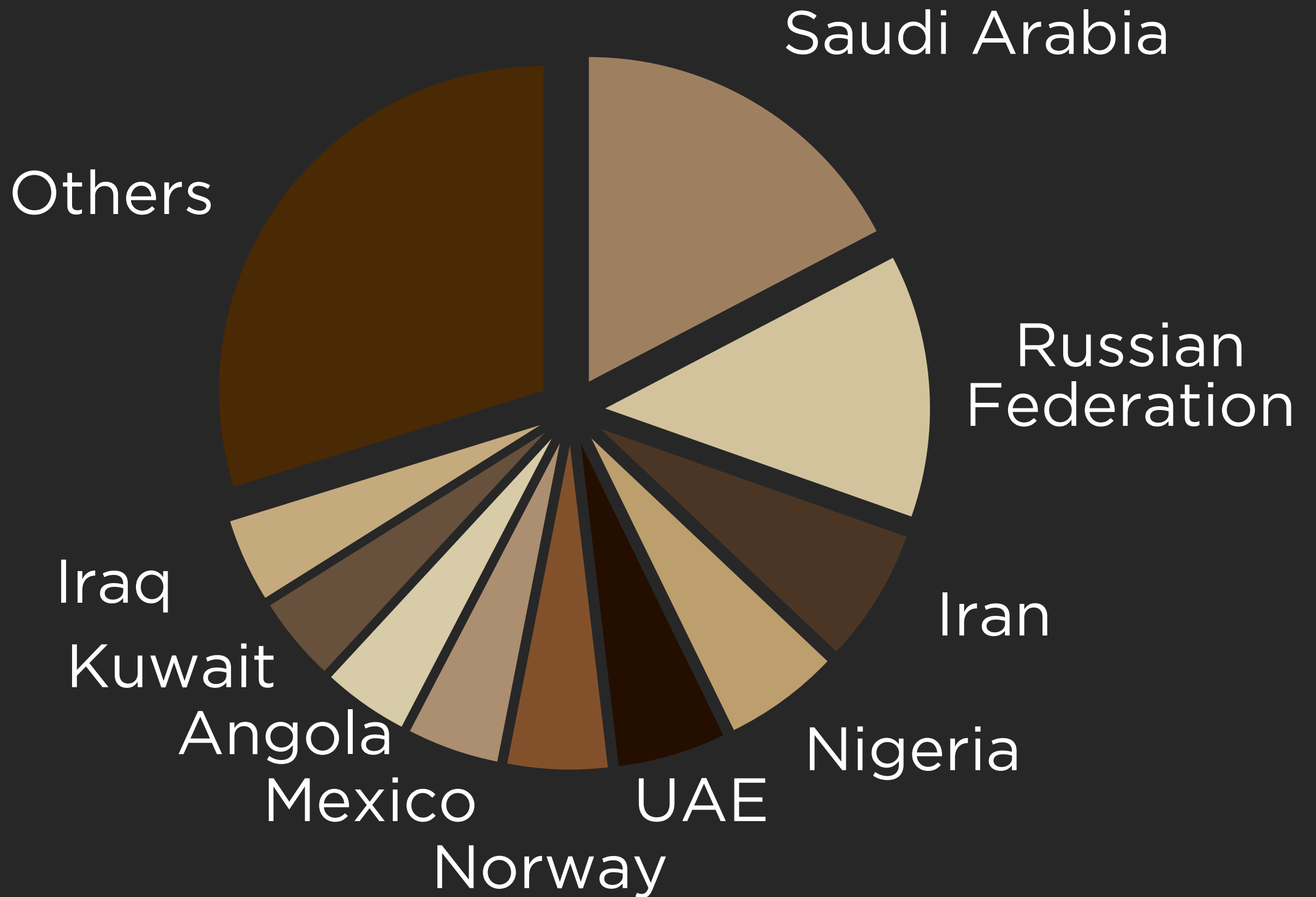
Year	Quads	Energy Expenditure	% Increase
1989	84.9	770,317,000,000	1.71
1990	84.7	789,162,000,000	2.45
	84.6	754,077,000,000	-4.45
	86.0	739,829,000,000	-1.89
	87.6	741,806,000,000	0.27
	89.3	742,545,000,000	0.10
1995	91.2	736,226,000,000	-0.85
	94.2	779,036,000,000	5.81
	94.8	770,844,000,000	-1.05
	95.2	703,842,000,000	-8.69
	96.8	729,094,000,000	3.59
2000	99.0	869,599,000,000	19.27
	96.3	856,094,000,000	-1.55
	97.9	803,648,000,000	-6.13
	98.1	895,448,000,000	11.42
	100.3	1,006,567,000,000	12.41
2005	100.4	1,170,194,000,000	16.26
	99.8	1,255,606,000,000	7.30
	101.5	1,299,141,000,000	3.47
2008	99.4	1,431,655,000,000	10.20

Very high rate
of increase in
cost of energy

\$17,844,730,000,000

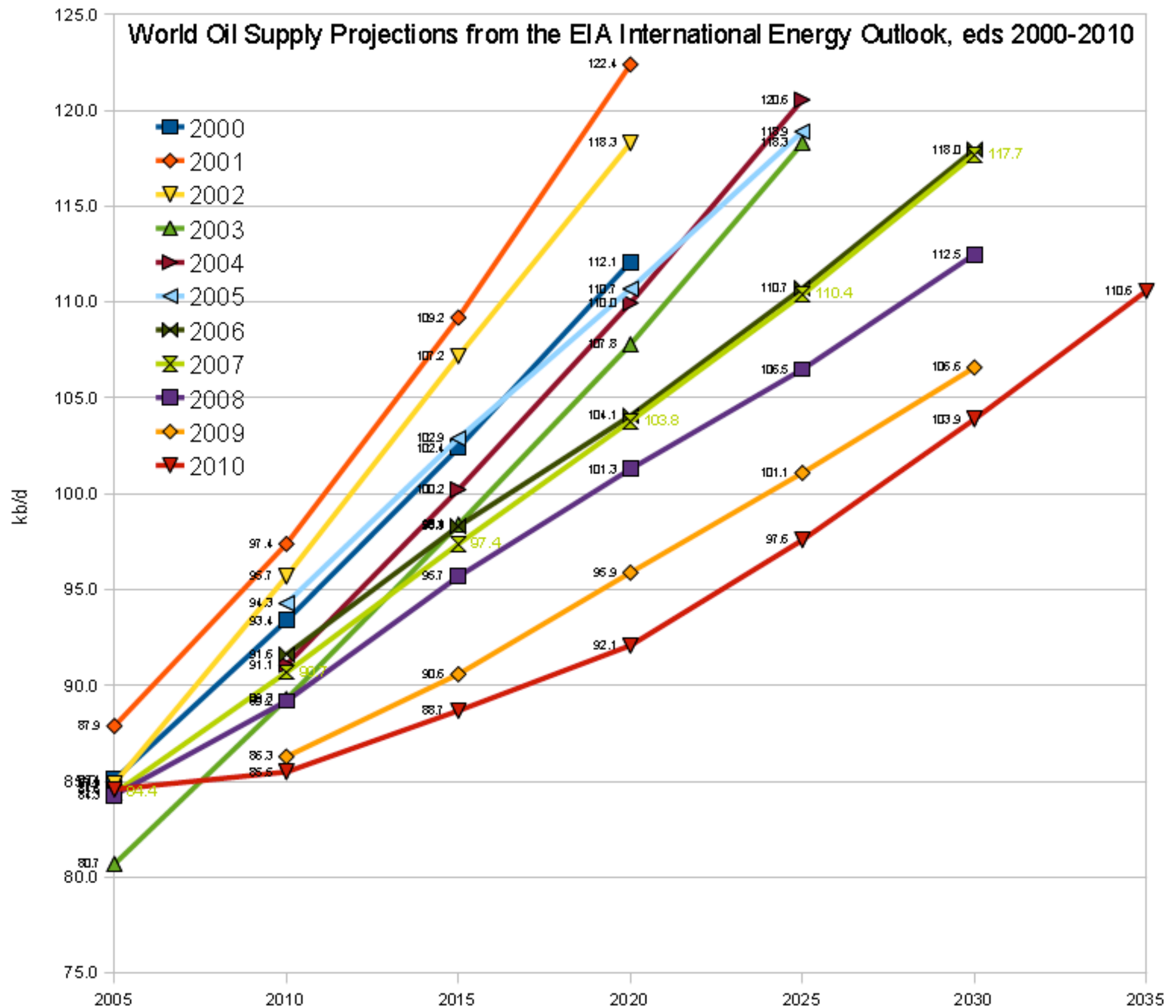


World Power Production 2007 [IEA/Stanford GCEP/Griffith09]



Net Oil Exports 2007 [IEA]

World Oil Supply Projections from the EIA International Energy Outlook, eds 2000-2010



Hirsch Report: Overview

“The era of plentiful, low-cost petroleum is approaching an end. The good news is that **commercially viable mitigation options are ready for implementation**. The bad news is that **unless mitigation is orchestrated on a timely basis, the economic damage to the world economy will be dire and long-lasting**.

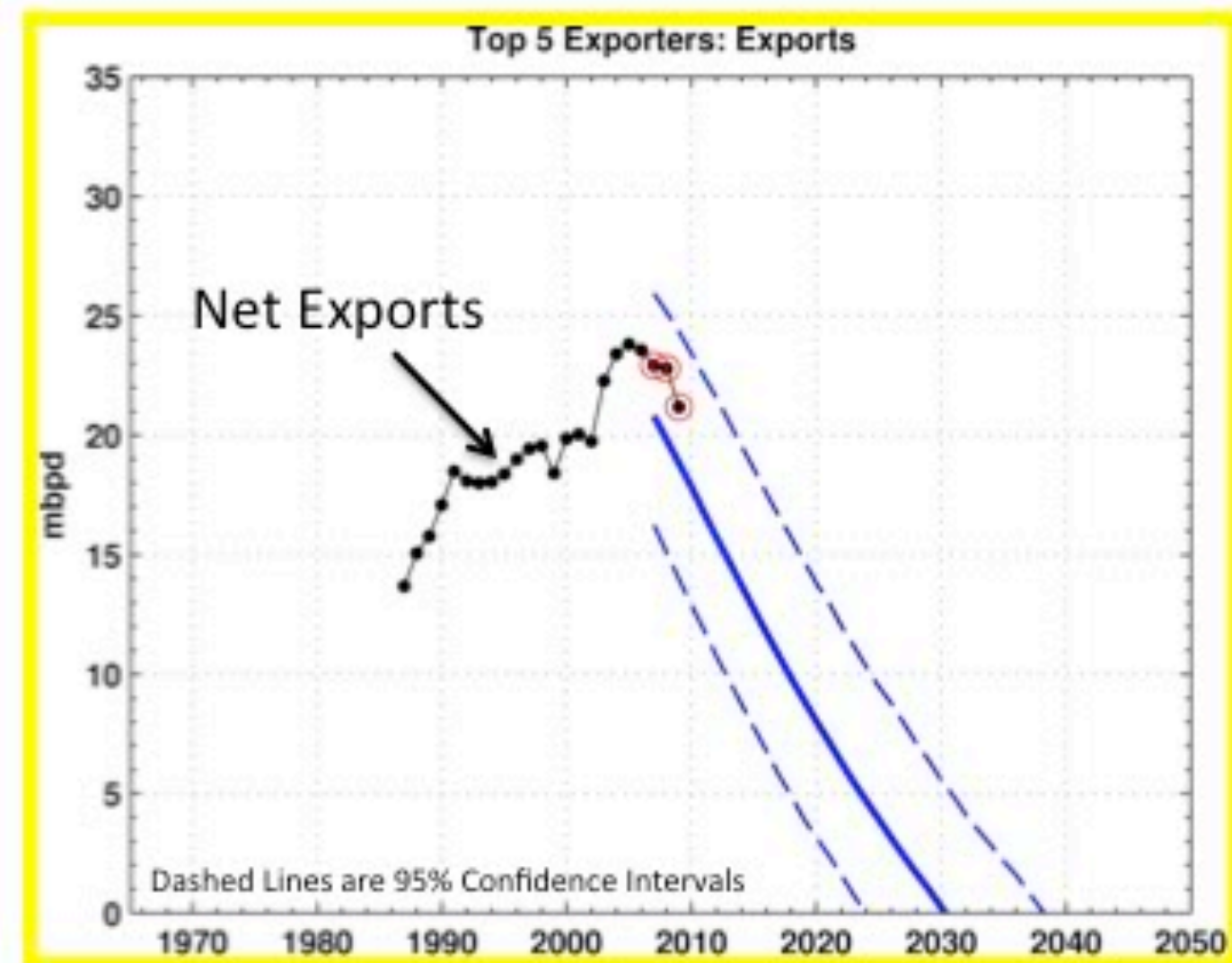
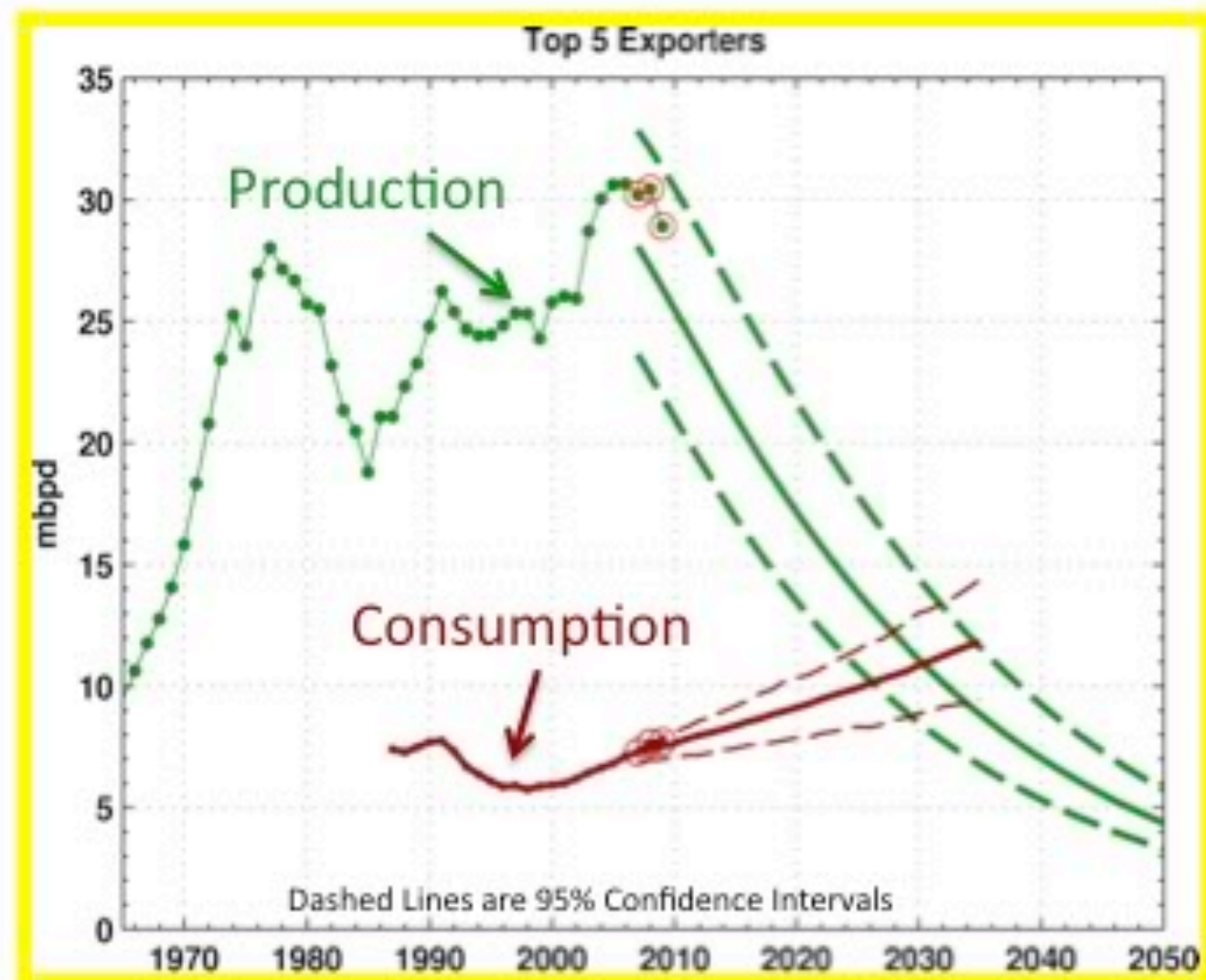
In the following, we describe the nature of the problem, options for mitigation, and required timing. The exact date of peaking is not known; some think it will be soon, others think a decade or more. However, **the date is almost irrelevant as mitigation will take much longer than a decade to become effective, because of the enormous scale of world oil consumption.**”

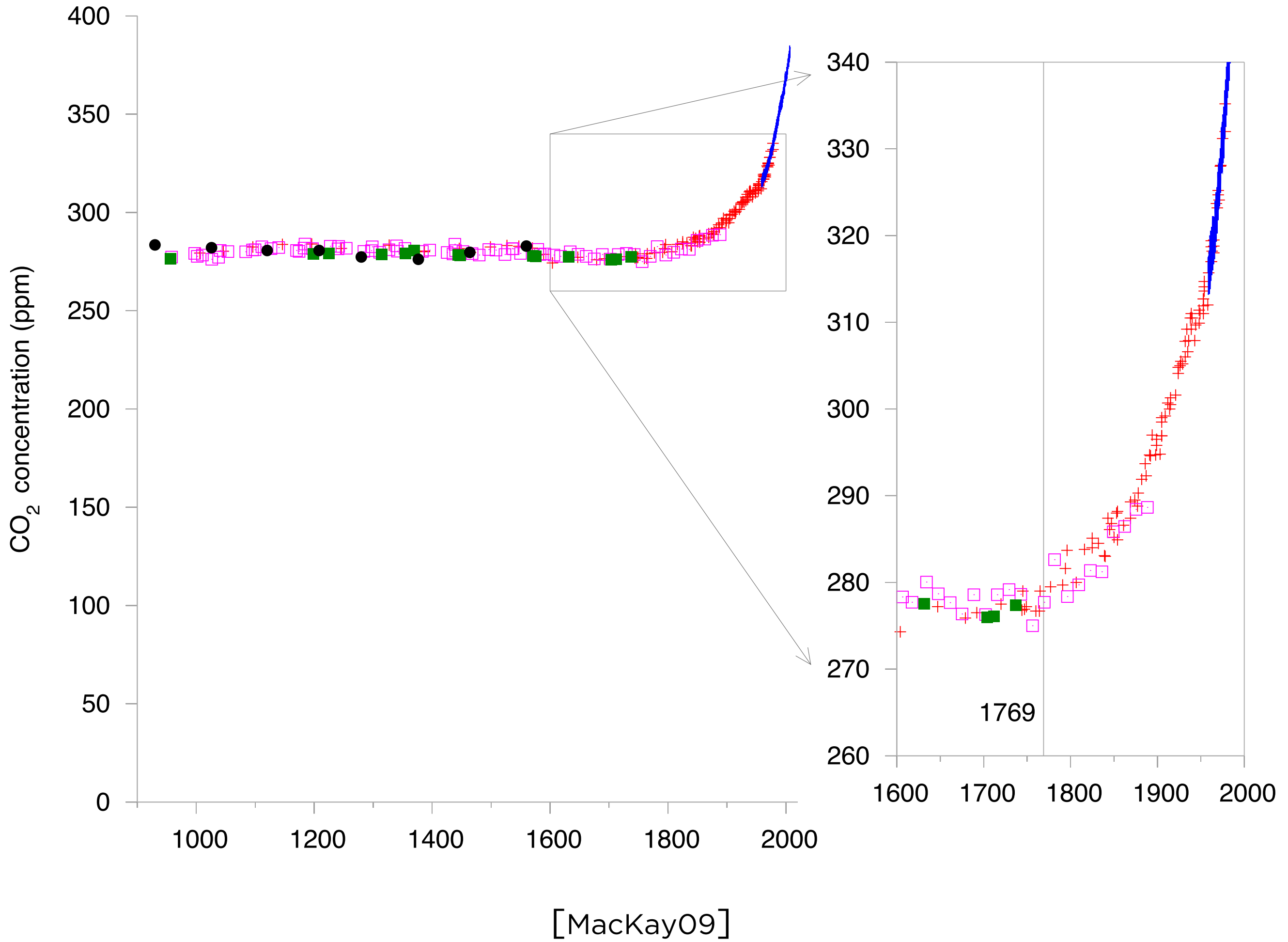
“Waiting until world oil production peaks before taking crash program action leaves the world with a significant liquid fuel deficit for more than two decades.”

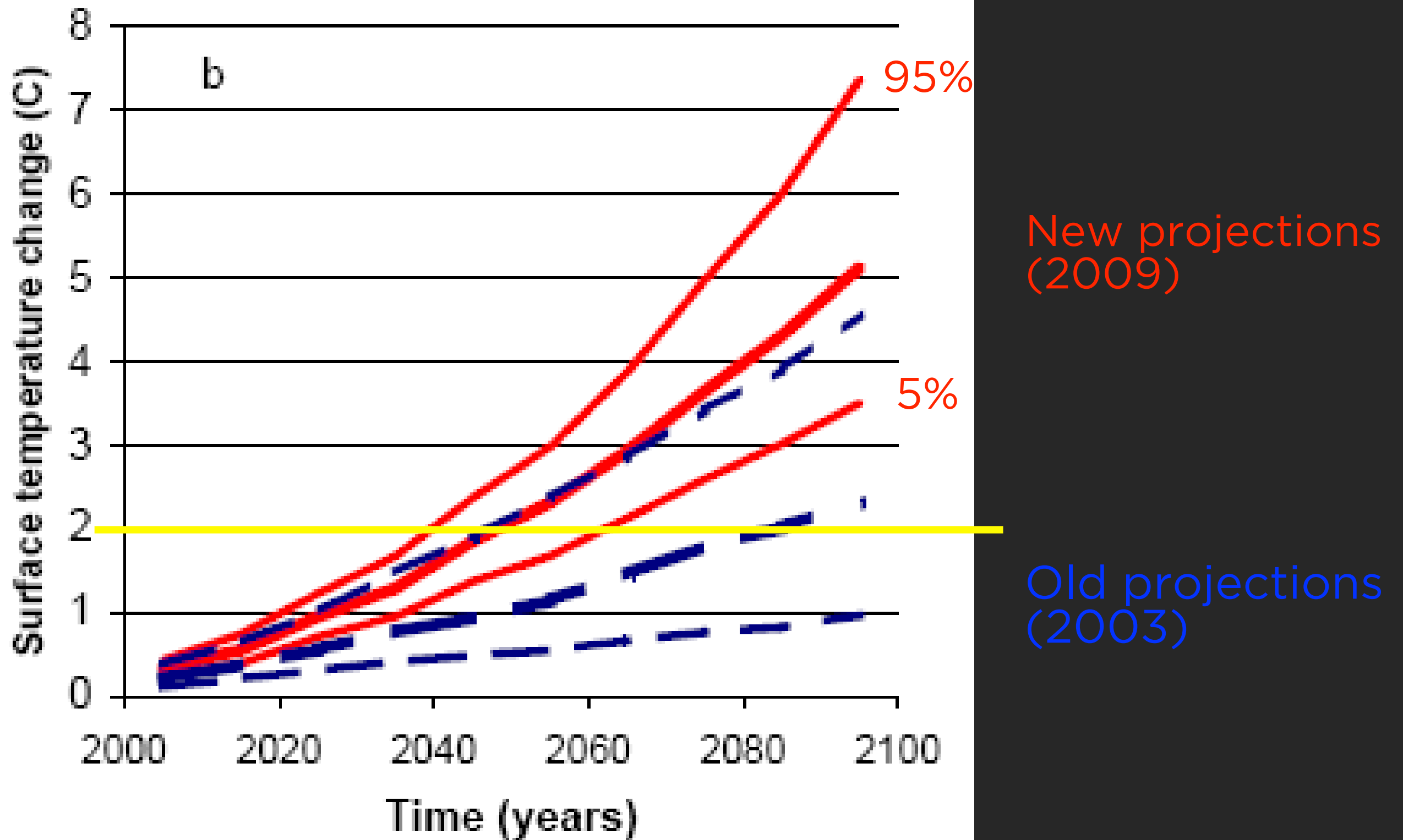
Hirsch Report: Summary

“The world has never faced a problem like this. Without massive mitigation more than a decade before the fact, the problem will be pervasive and will not be temporary. Previous energy transitions (wood to coal and coal to oil) were gradual and evolutionary; oil peaking will be abrupt and revolutionary.”

Actual and Projected Production, Consumption, and Net Exports for (2005) Top 5 Net Exporters







MIT Probabilistic Warming Projections [Sokolov et al. 09]

What Do Degrees C Mean?

1 degree Ice-free arctic summer, polar ecosystem damage; coral reef bleaching; stronger hurricanes; erratic weather

2 degrees Lots of problems; 10-15% species extinction; most coral reefs bleached; permafrost melt begins; limit of no-return

3 degrees 20-80% loss of Amazon rainforest; extinction risk for polar species, 20-30% species extinction; continued permafrost melt; 1.1-3.2 billion people with increased water stress; widespread coral loss

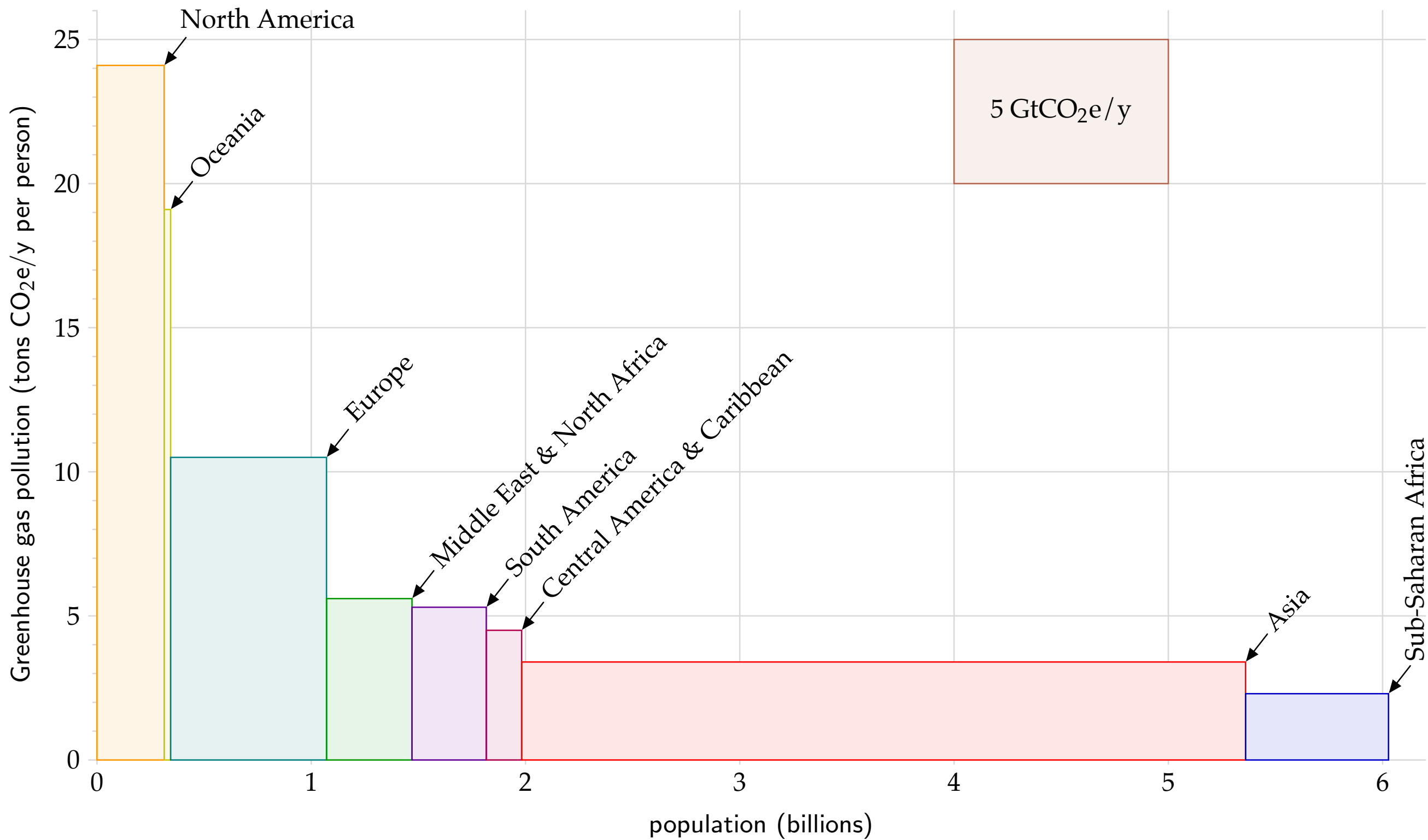
4 degrees Shutdown of ocean calcification; major extinctions around the globe; decrease in food production; near-total deglaciation

5 degrees Many unknown impacts

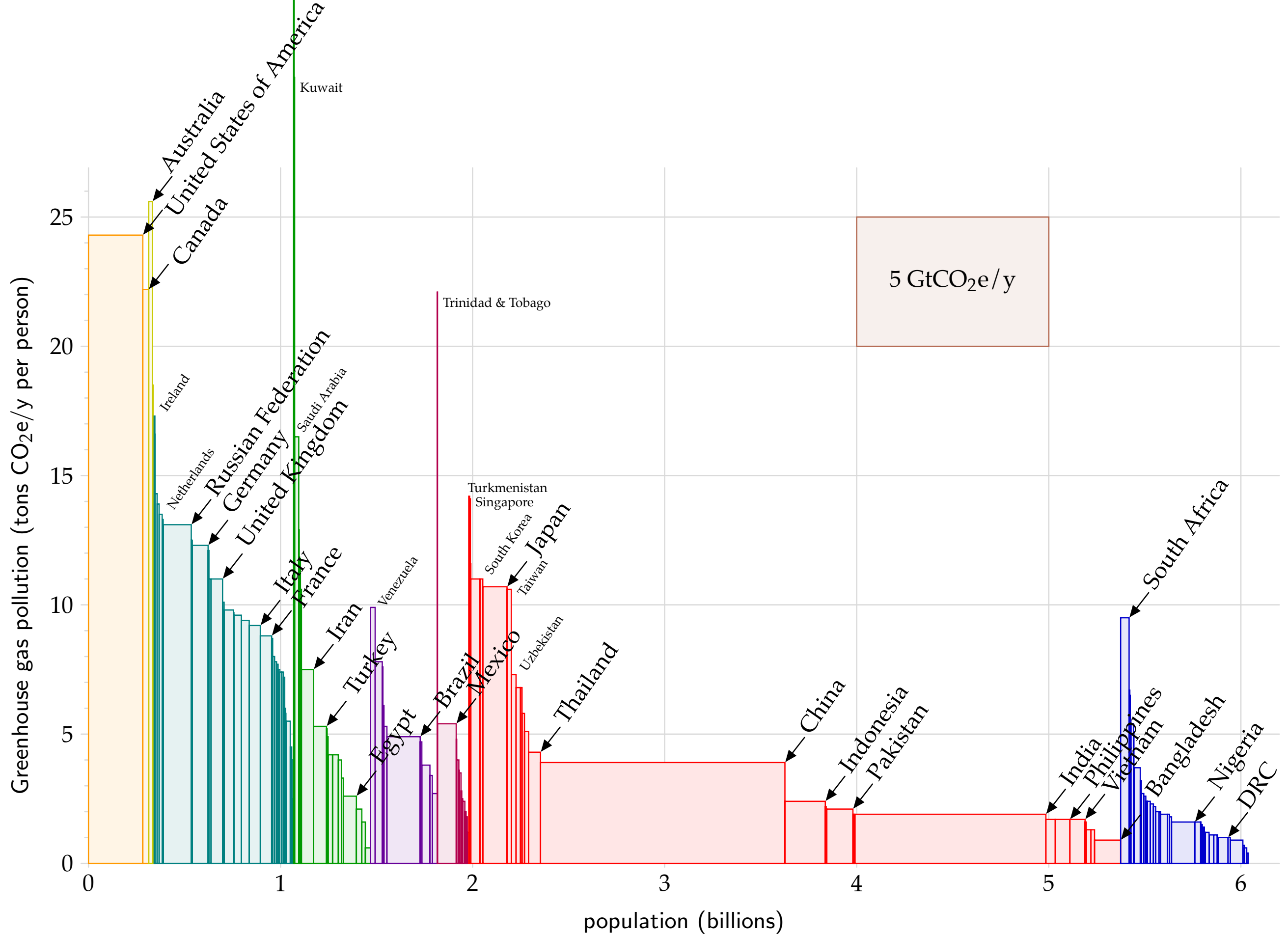
Last time the planet was 6C warmer: 55 million years ago, during the Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum.

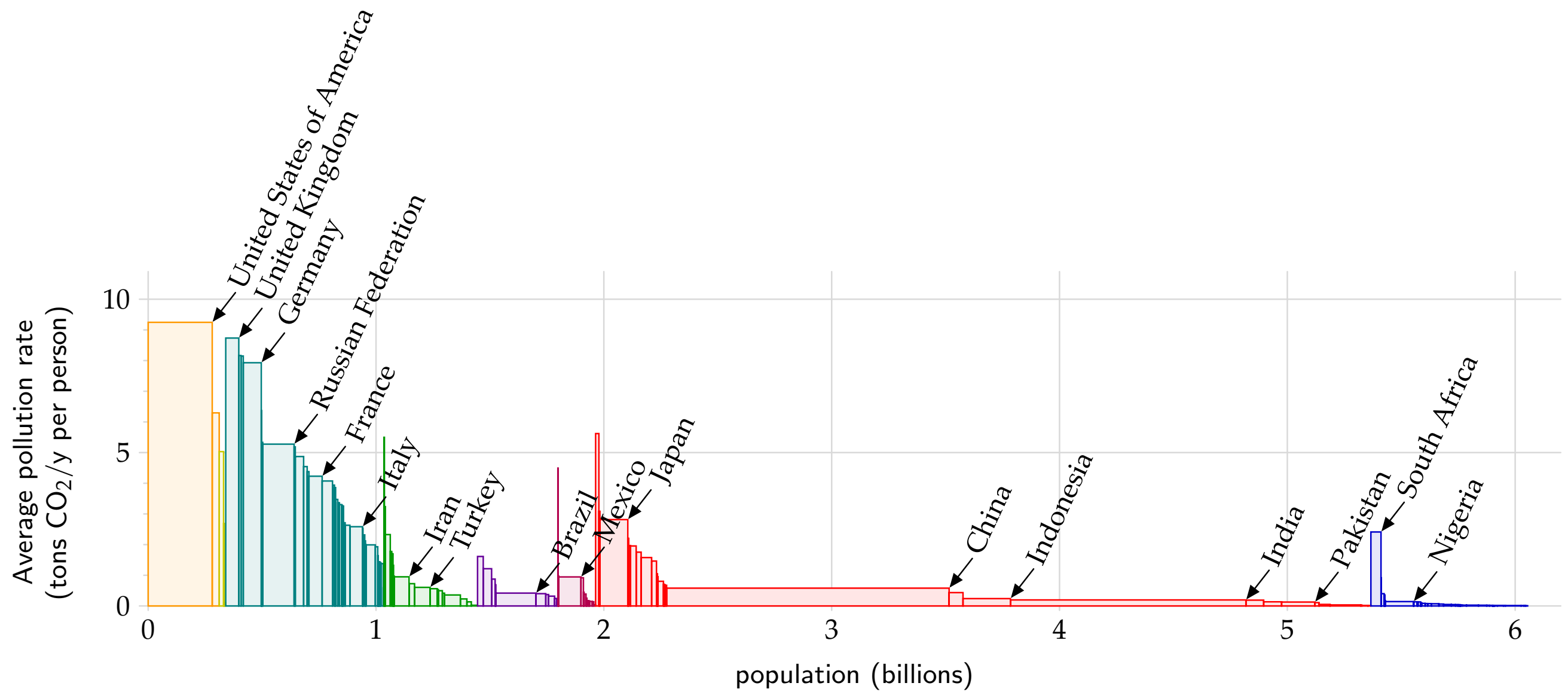
During this time, the planet was ice free, and crocodiles lived in the arctic. The warming happened over 20,000 years; our 6C of warming would happen in 1/200th the time.

Where do the emissions
come from?



Year 2000 emissions [MacKay09]





1880-2004 emissions [MacKay09]

We respond strongest
to threats that are:

Visible

With historical
precedent

Immediate

With simple
causality

Caused by others

Have direct
personal impact

Climate Change and
Oil Depletion are:

Invisible

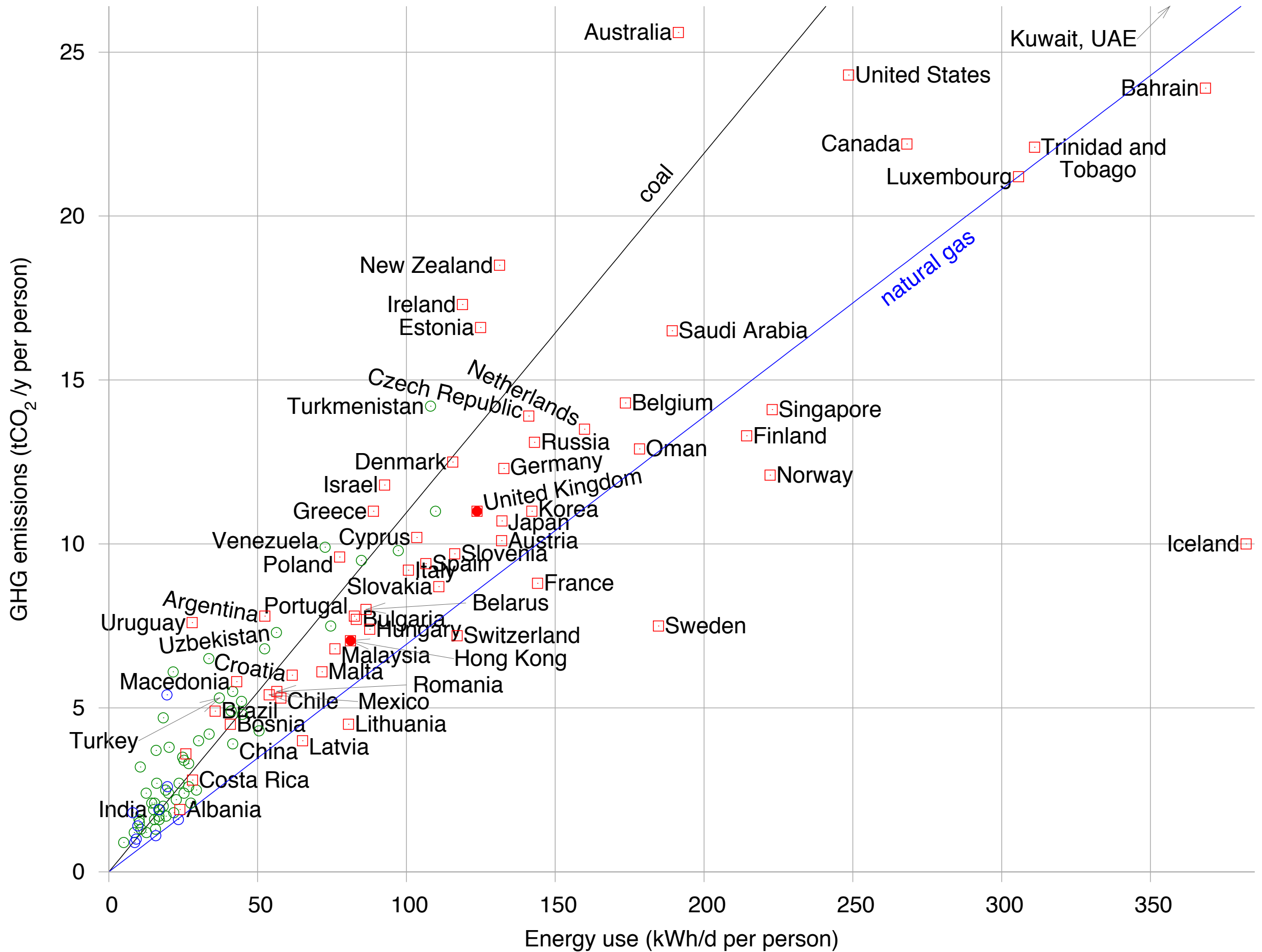
Unprecedented

Drawn out

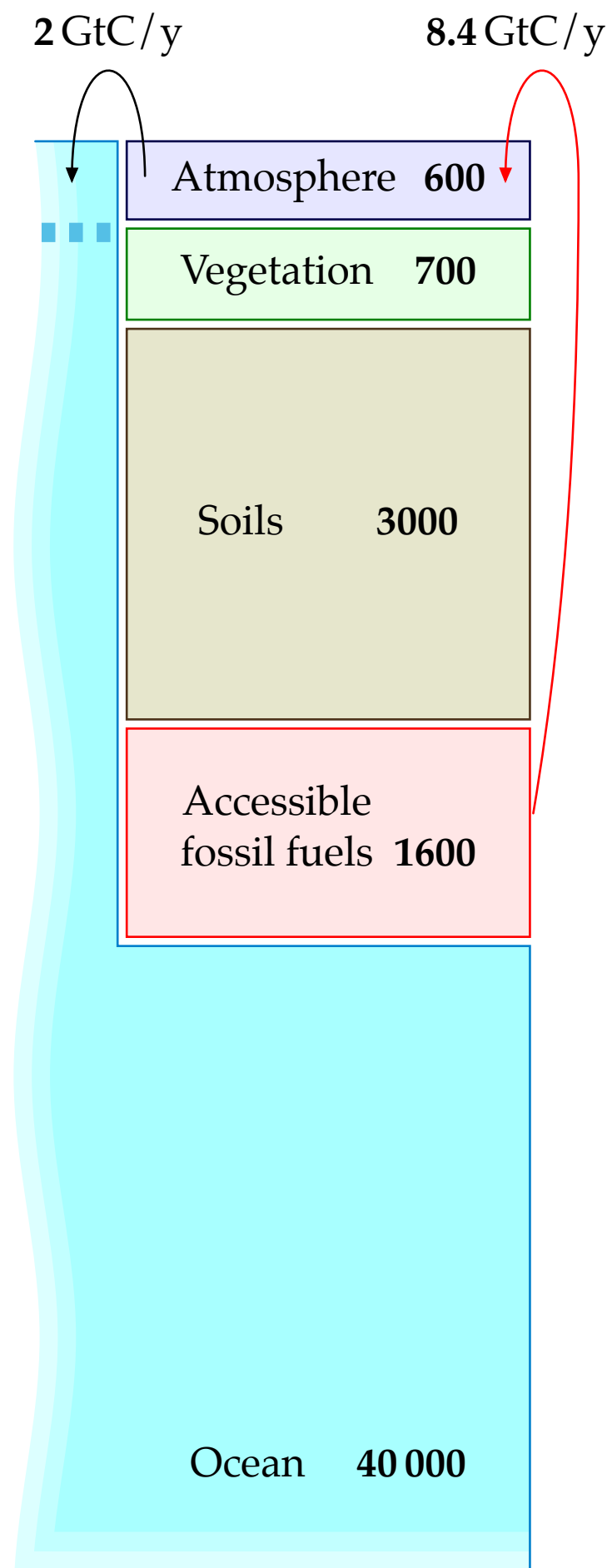
With complex
causality

Caused by all of us

Unpredictable and
indirect



Carbon vs. energy [MacKay09]



Carbon flows (2006) [MacKay09]

Goal: Contain warming to 2C

Business As Usual: 850+ ppm CO₂ (likely > 5C)

Copenhagen: 725 ppm (even chance > 5C)

EU target: 550 ppm (slim chance < 2C; even chance > 3C)

This talk target: 450 ppm (maybe < 2C)

Today: 390 ppm

James Hansen, NASA: 350 ppm (very likely < 2C)

Pre-Oil (1900): 290 ppm

Non-Carbon* Options

Photovoltaic
Solar Thermal
Wind
Geothermal
Hydroelectric
Tidal
Algae Fuel
Nuclear

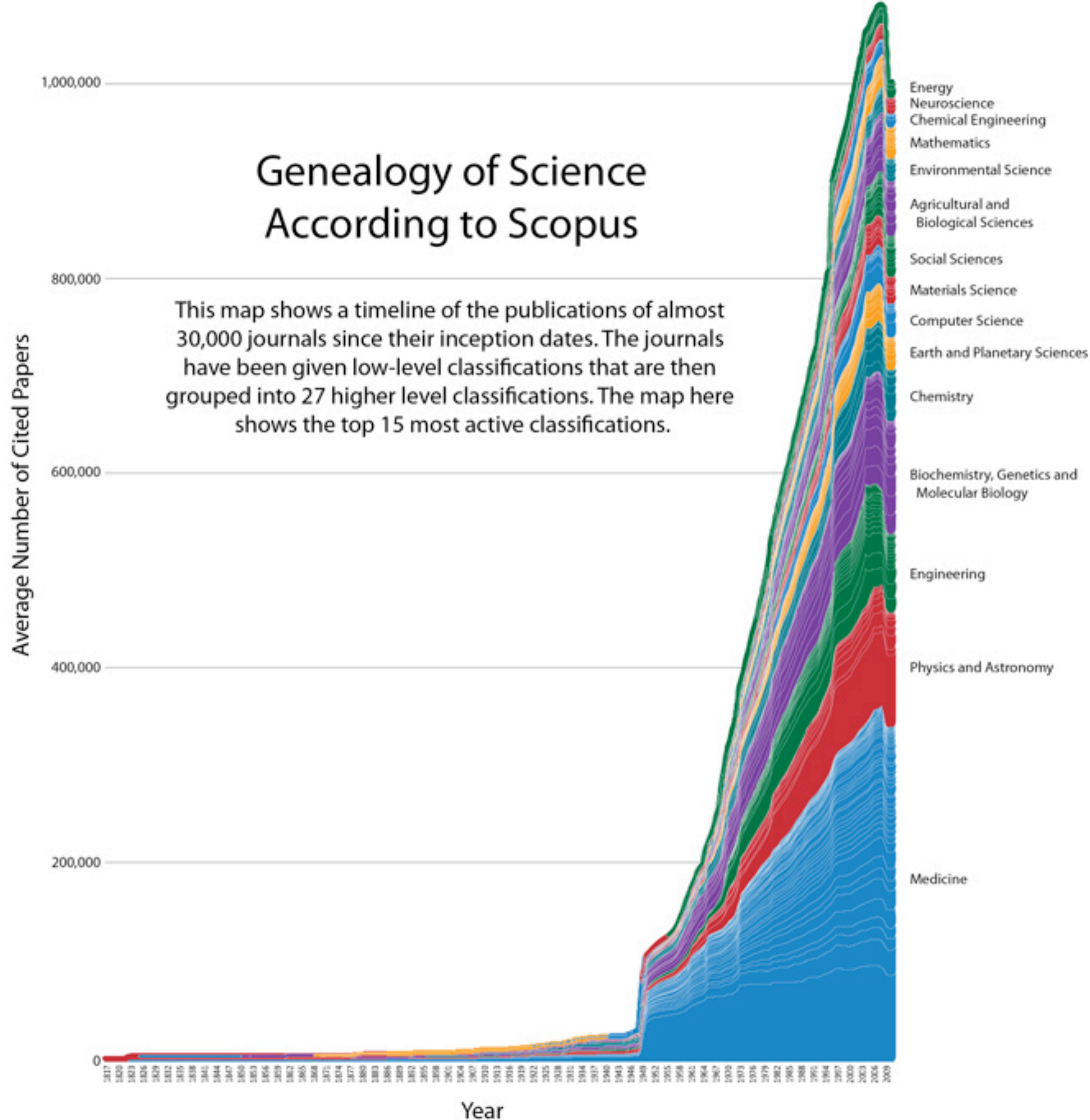
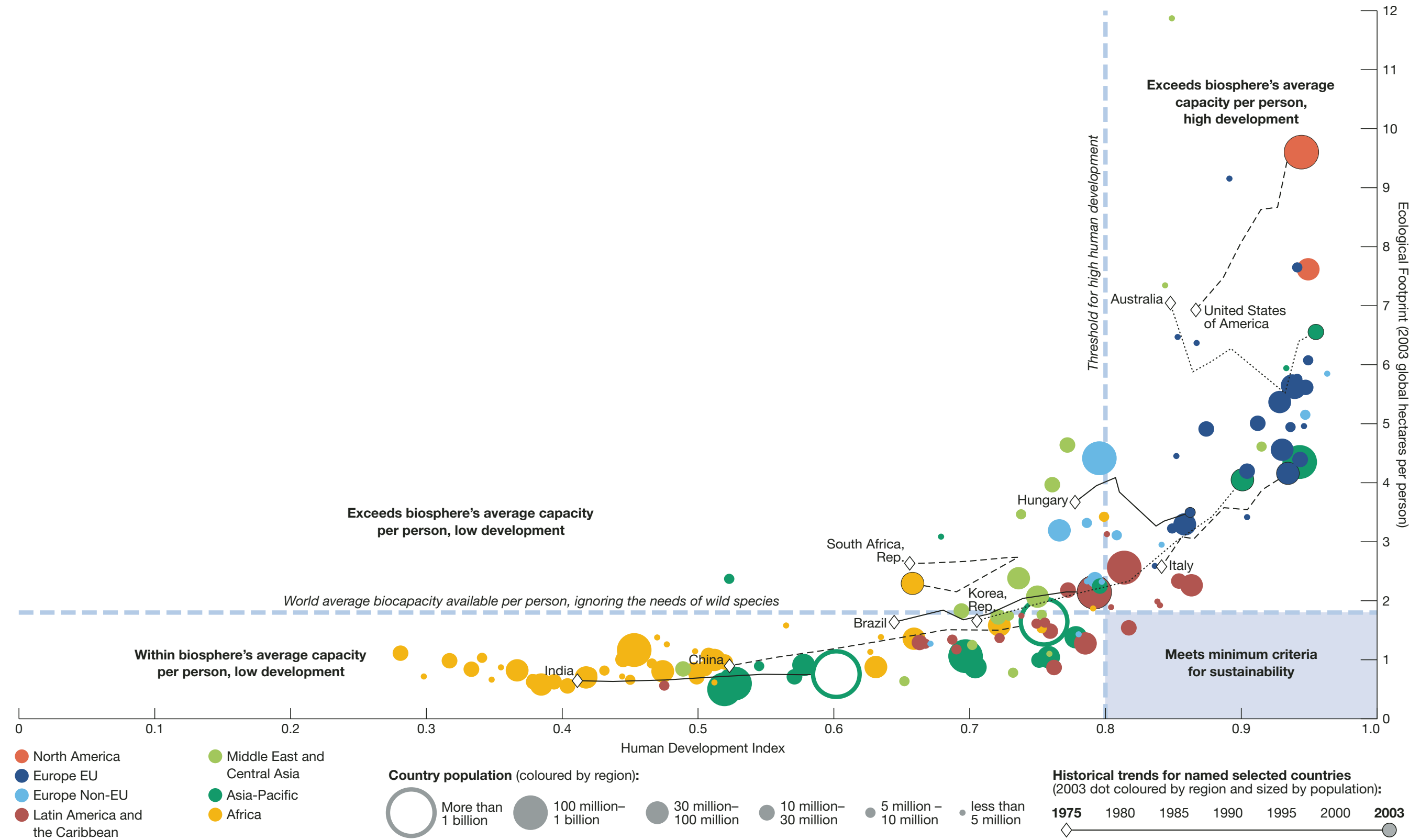
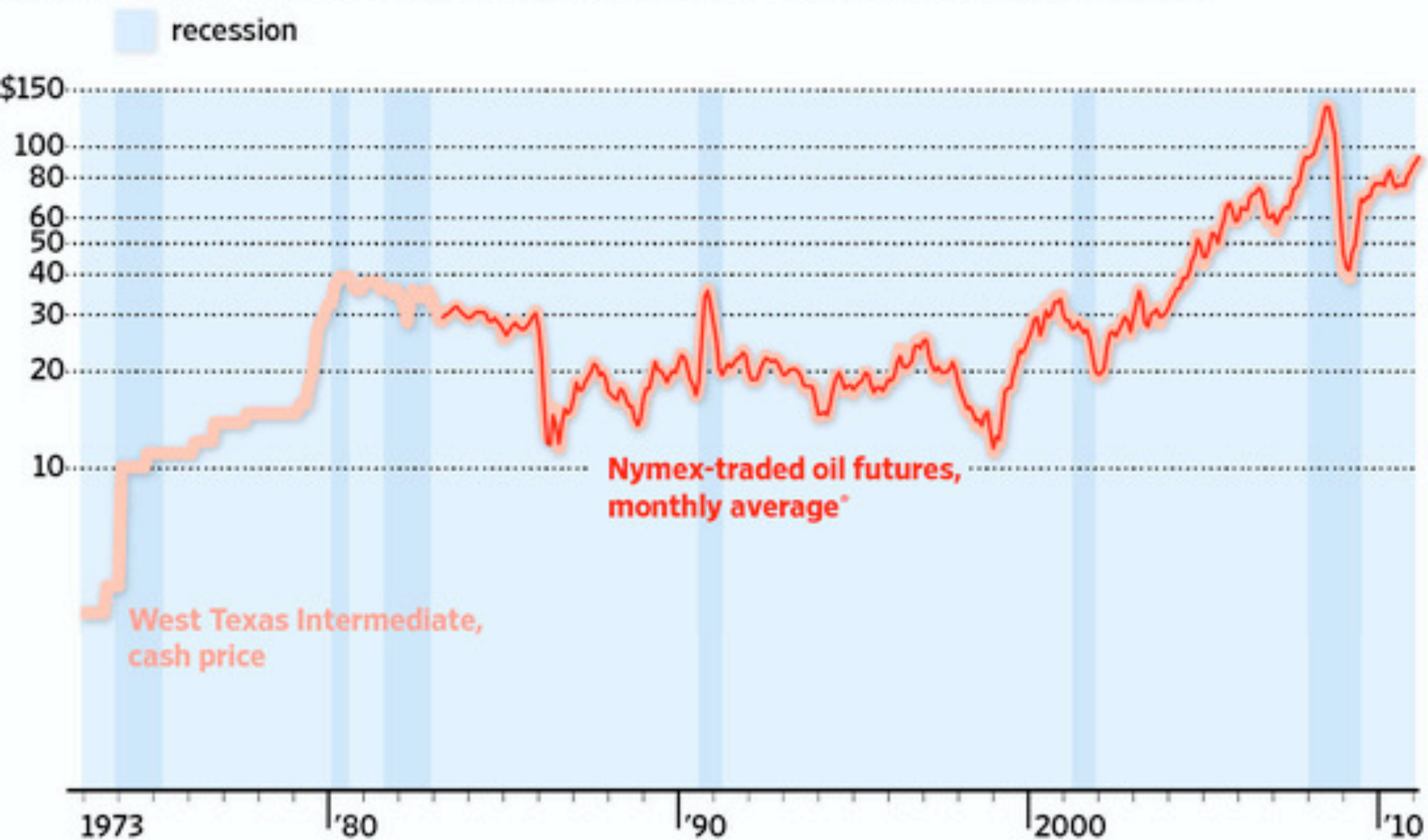


Fig. 22: **HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINTS, 2003**



Past Price Hikes Fed Recessions

Climbing oil prices have often led the way into recession. Monthly prices in dollars per barrel.



*Trading started in March 1983 Note: Logarithmic scale is labeled in dollars but increments are adjusted to express percentage changes in prices
Sources: Dow Jones Energy Service via The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis; Thomson Reuters

“We are grossly wasting our energy resources and other precious raw materials as though their supply was infinite. We must even face the prospect of changing our basic ways of living. This change will either be made on our own initiative in a planned and rational way, or forced on us with chaos and suffering by the inexorable laws of nature.”

RESEARCH AGENDA

Network Structure

Reevaluation

Integration

Components & Tools

Q1: What do standards look like post-peak? What role do standards bodies such as IANA and IETF play?

Q2: What cost sharing mechanisms can be feasibly deployed to offload a substantial portion of the true cost of a network service onto its user?

Q3: What does the programming model for a fully-distributed datacenter-less cloud look like?

Q4: What are the necessary security / reputation / replication mechanisms to create a fully-distributed social network platform?

Q5: As networks become more localized, the cost and latency of communicating with far away nodes will be higher than it is today. How will we cope with this?

Q6: How might we carefully guide this structural transition (transferring management from the core to the edges), instead of allowing it to descend haphazardly?

REEVALUATION

Q7: Can we develop a common methodology for calculating the energy of a network device?

Q8: Can we measure which existing projects in energy-efficient networking are well-suited to the post-peak world and which are “greenwashed”?

Q9: When do free network services become infeasible due to energy costs?

Q10: How can network protocols be best redesigned to cope with post-peak volatility?

Q11: How can existing software implementations of network protocols be repurposed without modification?

Q12: When is it the case that software upgrades, while using old hardware, are preferable to upgrading to a more resource-efficient hardware platform?

INTEGRATION

Q13: Given increased transportation costs, can we encourage more video conferencing adoption by incorporating computer vision techniques into video streaming protocols to augment the video?

Q14: Can computer network protocols and algorithms be applied to transportation networks (or vice versa) so as to improve their overall efficiency?

Q15: Using today's architecture, how can we enable and promote a systematic way of leveraging cross-layer and network-internal knowledge at end points?

Q16: What are the economic incentive models for a demand / congestion-pricing system for a post-peak Internet?

Q17: How will the economics of network misbehavior (spam, DoS, etc.) change post-peak?

Q18: How can a secure, peer-to-peer localized microlending system be built?

COMPONENTS AND TOOLS

Q19: How can network switches and routers be built to passively (not actively) perform forwarding?

Q20: How might technology costs and energy trends change with respect to in-network storage, and when will it become unviable?

Q21: How can a long-term network-attached data archival service be designed to provide persistence and proof of storage?

Q22: Can we develop a “currency” for local network bandwidth sharing?

Nine Challenges of Alternative Energy

1. Scalability and Timing
2. Commercialization
3. Substitutability
4. Material Input Requirements
5. Intermittency
6. Energy Density
7. Water
8. The Law of Receding Horizons
9. Energy Return on Investment

Catton's Modes of Adaptation

Adaptation	Circumstance Carrying capacity exceeded	Consequence Reorganize within finite limits	Name
Recognition of major changes	Accepted	Accepted	Realism
Faith in technological progress	Accepted	Disregarded	Cargoism
Mitigation is enough	Disregarded	Partially Accepted	Cosmeticism
No problems or solutions	Disregarded	Disregarded	Cynicism
No limits	Denied	Denied	Ostrichism

Peak Oil matters because of Flows

Consumers need delivery flows

Reserves are only useful as flows

Peak oil is when flows can't meet the demand

The oil industry is slow moving and predictable

Flows can be geologically constrained (North Sea)

Flows can be politically constrained (Russia, Saudi Arabia)

Flows can be physically constrained (Nigeria)

Flows can be skills constrained (old engineers)

Flows can be capital or access constrained (Mexico, Venezuela)

Many talk of reserves and ignore flows

Others talk about access and ignore flows

5/10/20 years post-peak

(~2019/~2024/~2034)

Transportation (cost): 3-5x / 5-15x / 10-25x

Electricity (cost): 2-4x / 2-10x / 5-20x

Grid reliability (%): 98-99% / 95-99% / 75-98%

