



UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION
INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR THEORETICAL PHYSICS
I.C.T.P., P.O. BOX 586, 34100 TRIESTE, ITALY, CABLE: CENTRATOM TRIESTE



UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION



INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR SCIENCE AND HIGH TECHNOLOGY

c/o INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR THEORETICAL PHYSICS 34100 TRIESTE (ITALY) VIA GRIGNANO, 9 (ADRIATICO PALACE) P.O. BOX 586 TELEPHONE 040-224572 TELEFAX 040-224575 TELEX 460449 APH I

SMR.648 - 27

SECOND AUTUMN WORKSHOP ON MATHEMATICAL ECOLOGY

(2 - 20 November 1992)

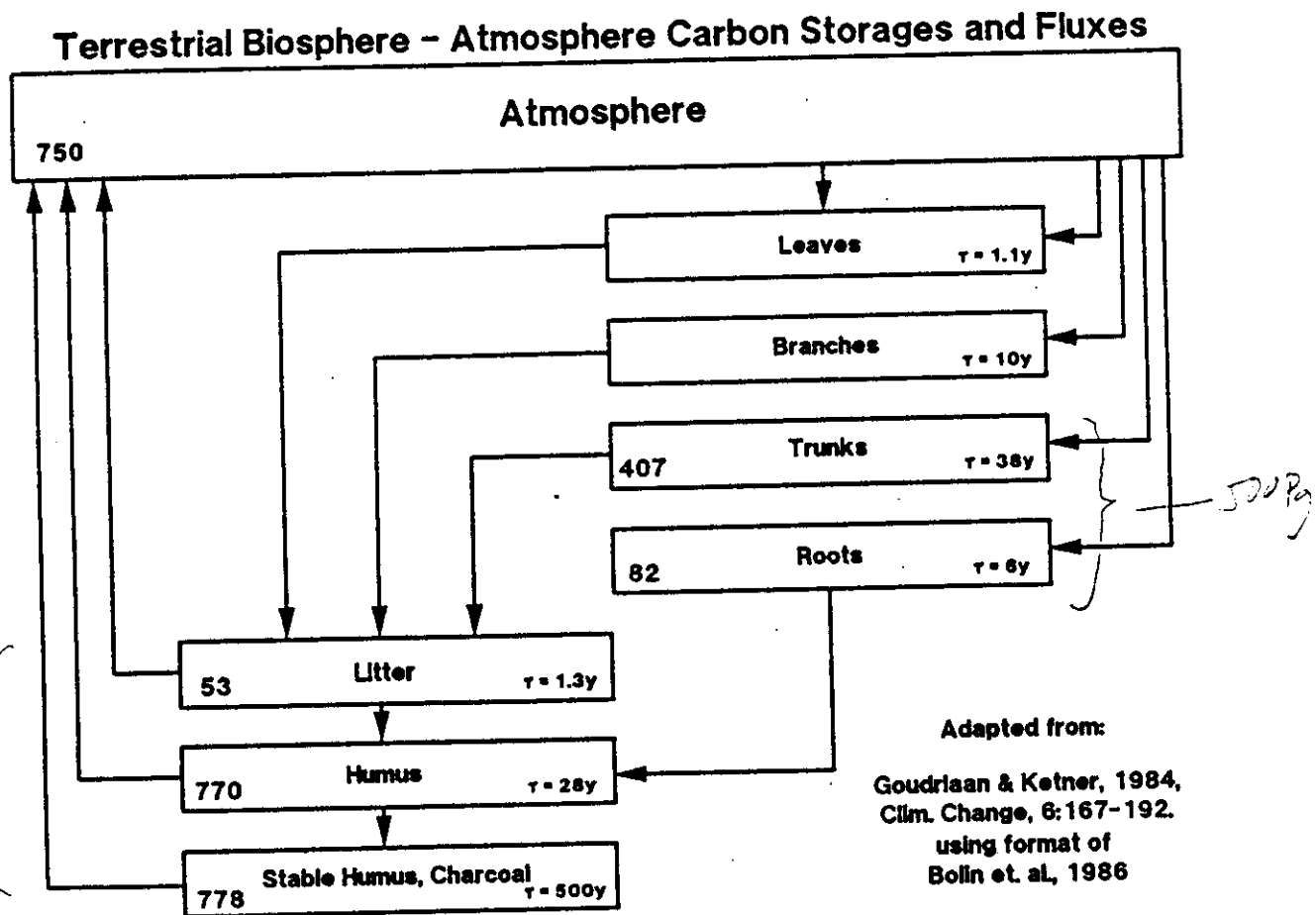
"The Role of the Biosphere in Climate Change"

R. Lassiter
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Environmental Research Laboratory
College Station Road
Athens, GA 30613
U.S.A.

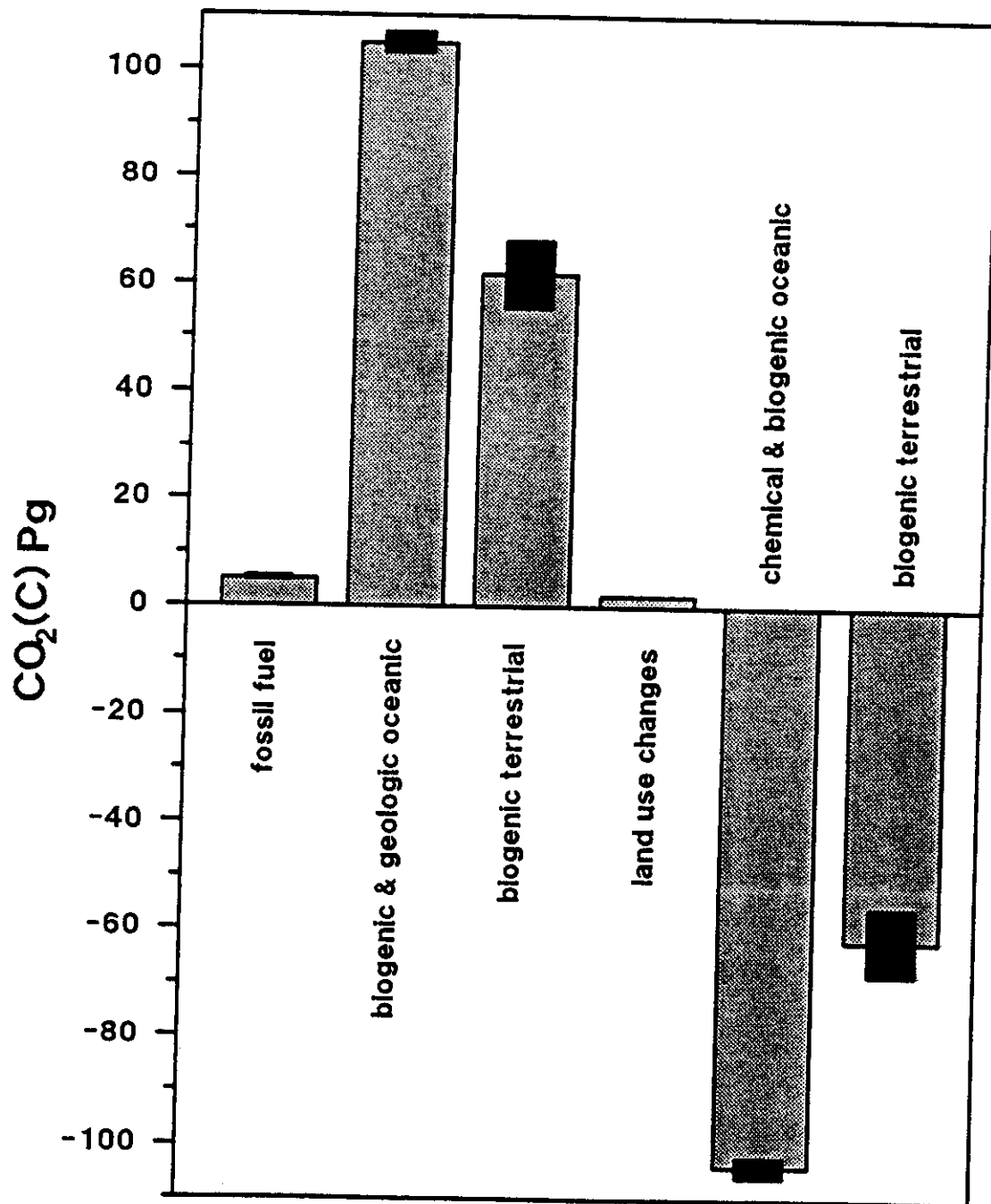
These are preliminary lecture notes, intended only for distribution to participants.

MAIN BUILDING	Strada Costiera, 11	Tel. 22401	Telefax 224163 / 224559	Telex 460392	ADRIATICO GUEST HOUSE	Via Grignano, 9	Tel. 224241	Telefax 224531	Telex 460449
MICROPROCESSOR LAB.	Via Beirut, 31	Tel. 224471	Telefax 224600		GALILEO GUEST HOUSE	Via Beirut, 7	Tel. 22401		

Example of C budget.



Global Sources and Sinks of CO₂(C)



- Biospheric flux > 30x anthropogenic
- Changing conditions could imbalance biospheric flux even a small amount & net biospheric fluxes could dominate anthropogenic

Annual cycle

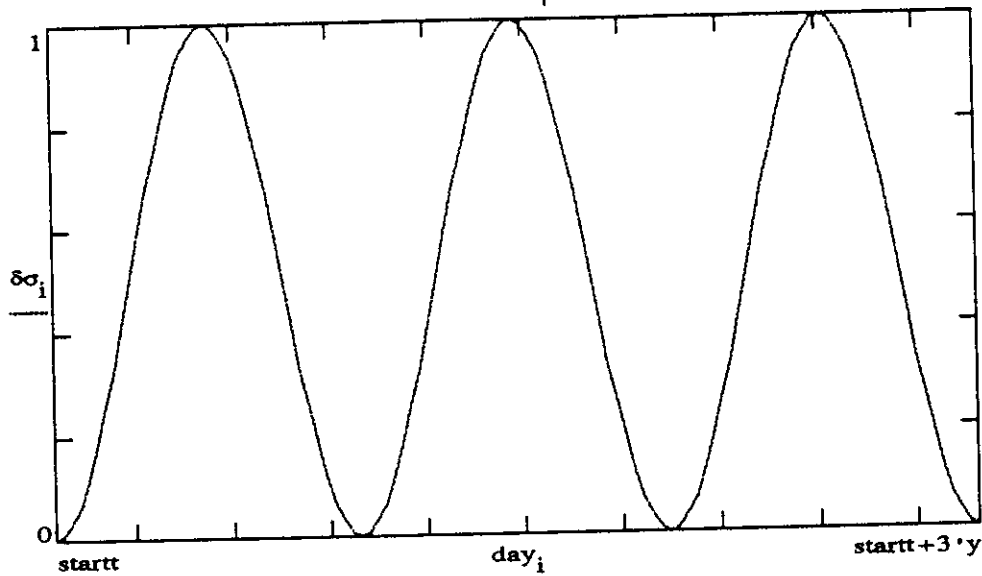
daily phase angle

$$\omega = \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{y}$$

seasons

$$\delta\sigma_i := \frac{1 - \cos[\omega \cdot \text{day}_i]}{2}$$

Seasonality Driver



Litter fall relative intensity

$\text{begin_fall_date} := 240 \cdot d$ $\text{end_fall_date} := 285 \cdot d$

$\text{fall_period} := \text{end_fall_date} - \text{begin_fall_date}$

$$\omega_{\phi\alpha\lambda\lambda} := 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{\text{fall_period}}$$

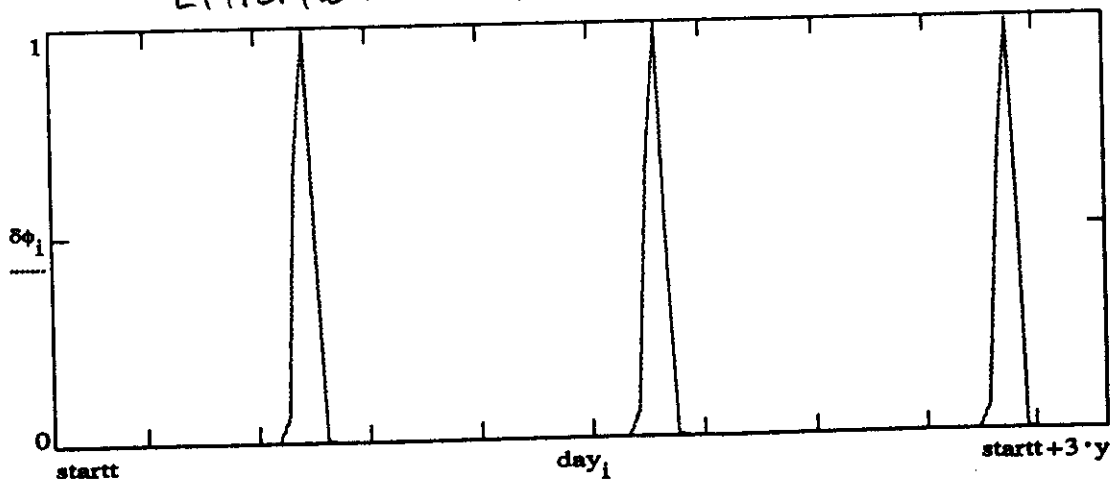
$\text{beginfall}(z) := \text{if}[\text{mod}[\text{day}_z, y] < \text{begin_fall_date}, 0, 1]$

$\text{endfall}(z) := \text{if}[\text{mod}[\text{day}_z, y] > \text{end_fall_date}, 0, 1]$

$\text{fall}(z) := \text{beginfall}(z) \cdot \text{endfall}(z)$

$$\delta\phi_i := \frac{1 - \cos\left[\omega_{\phi\alpha\lambda\lambda} \cdot \left[\text{mod}[\text{day}_i, y] \dots + (-\text{begin_fall_date})\right]\right] \cdot \text{fall}(i)}{2}$$

Litterfall "Windows"



Constants

$\mu := 0.0009 \cdot d^{-1}$	maximum photosynthesis rate constant referenced to perennial standing stock
$K := 275 \cdot P_g$	half saturation constant for photosynthesis referenced to total atmospheric C
$lf := 0.2 \cdot d^{-1}$	maximum litterfall rate constant
$wf := 0.02 \cdot y^{-1}$	woody litter annual turnover rate constant
$ploss := 0.02 \cdot y^{-1}$	annual natural loss of perennial vegetation
$ap := \frac{ploss}{[0.114 \cdot y^{-1}]}$	annual contribution to perennial vegetation, 0.114/y is ratio to achieve steady state at 1800 AD conditions
$f1 := 0.80$	fraction of annual litter production into organic pool 1
$f2 := 0.161$	fraction of annual litter production into organic pool 2
$f3 := 0.029$	fraction of annual litter production into organic pool 3
$f4 := 0.009$	fraction of annual litter production into organic pool 4
$f5 := 0.001$	fraction of annual litter production into organic pool 5
$k_{d1} := 1.4 \cdot y^{-1}$	decomposition rate constant for soil organic carbon pool 1
$k_{d1}^{-1} = 0.714286 \cdot y$	
$k_{d2} := 0.2 \cdot y^{-1}$	decomposition rate constant for soil organic carbon pool 2
$k_{d2}^{-1} = 5 \cdot y$	
$k_{d3} := 0.04 \cdot y^{-1}$	decomposition rate constant for soil organic carbon pool 3
$k_{d3}^{-1} = 25 \cdot y$	
$k_{d4} := 0.004 \cdot y^{-1}$	decomposition rate constant for soil organic carbon pool 4
$k_{d4}^{-1} = 2.5 \cdot 10^2 \cdot y$	
$k_{d5} := 0.001 \cdot y^{-1}$	decomposition rate constant for soil organic carbon pool 5
$k_{d5}^{-1} = 1 \cdot 10^3 \cdot y$	
$V_p := 1700 \cdot m \cdot y^{-1}$	piston velocity for surface oceanic gas exchange (1700 m/y — Broecker (1974), 1000 m/y S&M, 1981)
$S := .5 \cdot m \cdot d^{-1}$	sinking velocity for particulate C
$fwl := 0.66667$	fraction of woody litter going into soil organic pool 2

$$KH := 10^{-1.53} \cdot \text{molC} \cdot \text{l}^{-1} \cdot \text{atm}^{-1}$$

Henry's constant for CO₂, 298 K. Relates pCO₂ (atm) to H₂CO₃*; Given as molC per liter per atm, but note that there is one mol of C per mol of any species of inorganic C

$$K1 := 10^{-6}$$

$$K2 := 10^{-9.11}$$

equilibrium constants for inorganic carbon species

$$\text{pH} := 8.2$$

$$\alpha_0 := \left[1 + \frac{K1}{10^{-\text{pH}}} + \frac{K1 \cdot K2}{[10^{-\text{pH}}]^2} \right]^{-1}$$

fraction of inorganic carbon diffusing into seawater that remains as H₂CO₃*

$$\alpha_0 = 5.586974 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$f_{\text{pf}} := \frac{(29 \cdot \text{g})}{[12 \cdot \text{g} \cdot 52 \cdot 10^{17} \cdot \text{kg}]}$$

conversion factor for mass to mole fraction of C in the atmosphere

$$\text{PAconv} := f_{\text{pf}} \cdot (760 \cdot \text{torr} - 23.77 \cdot \text{torr})$$

conversion factor for mass of C in the atmosphere to partial pressure of CO₂ (atm) at sea level. 29 g/mol atmosphere

17
assumed. 52 x 10¹⁷ kg is total mass of atmosphere (S&M, 1981). 23.77 torr is partial pressure of water vapor in saturated atmosphere at 298 K.

$$\text{SO} := 361 \cdot 10^6 \cdot \text{km}^2$$

surface area of the ocean

$$\text{DO} := 75 \cdot \text{m}$$

depth of the mixed ocean

$$\text{VO} := \text{SO} \cdot \text{DO}$$

volume of the mixed ocean

$$\text{Ma}_0 := 880.6456 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

← This mass corresponds to projected atm. mass at 2000 AD
initial mass of atmospheric carbon (600 Pg corresponds to about the year 1800)

$$\text{PAconv} \cdot \text{Ma}_0 = 3.964738 \cdot 10^2 \cdot \text{ppmv}$$

initial atmospheric C concentration

$$KH \cdot \text{PAconv} \cdot \text{Ma}_0 = 0.011701 \cdot \text{molC} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$$

ocean H₂CO₃* concentration calculated to be in equilibrium with the atmospheric concentration this initialization

$$\text{Mva}_0 := 8.925243 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of annual vegetation (including leaves of woody plants)

$$\text{Mo1}_0 := 116.9627 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of quickest turnover soil organic carbon

$$\text{Mo2}_0 := 242.9495 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of second quickest turnover soil organic carbon

$$\text{Mo3}_0 := 394.8443 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of third slowest turnover soil organic carbon

$$\text{Mo4}_0 := 356.5545 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of second slowest turnover soil organic carbon

$$\text{Mo5}_0 := 151.3712 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

initial mass of slowest turnover soil organic carbon

$$\text{MO}_0 := [KH \cdot \text{Ma}_0 \cdot \text{PAconv} \cdot \text{VO}] \cdot [\alpha_0]^{-1}$$

computation of initial mass of CO₂ in the mixed upper layer of the ocean, equil with atmosphere

$$\text{MO}_0 = 6.804364 \cdot 10^2 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

mass this initialization

$$\frac{\text{MO}_0}{\text{VO}} \cdot \alpha_0 = 1.170077 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot \text{molC} \cdot \text{l}^{-1}$$

concentration this initialization calculated directly; should be identical to initialization from Ma₀

$$\text{MO}_0 := 656.2087 \cdot \text{Pg}$$

$$L(MVA, f) := lf \cdot MVA \cdot f$$

$L(w)$ is litterfall flux

$$D(w1, w2, w3, w4, w5, s) := s \cdot [k_{d1} \cdot w1 + k_{d2} \cdot w2 + k_{d3} \cdot w3 + k_{d4} \cdot w4 + k_{d5} \cdot w5]$$

$$P(MA, MWV, s) := \frac{\mu \cdot MWV \cdot MA \cdot s}{K + MA}$$

$D()$ is decomposition flux

$P()$ is photosynthesis flux

atmospheric carbon

$$DMa(MA, MWV, MO, w1, w2, w3, w4, w5, s, u) := \left[\begin{array}{l} F(u) + B(u) + D(w1, w2, w3, w4, w5, s) \dots \\ + -SO \cdot \left[Vp \cdot \left[KH \cdot MA \cdot PA_{conv} - \frac{\alpha_0 \cdot MO}{VO} \right] \right] \dots \\ + -P(MA, MWV, s) \end{array} \right]$$

carbon in woody vegetation

$$DMwv(MA, MWV, s, u) := ap \cdot P(MA, MWV, s) - ploss \cdot MWV - B(u)$$

carbon in annual vegetation

$$DMva(MA, MVA, MWV, f, s) := (1 - ap) \cdot P(MA, MWV, s) - L(MVA, f)$$

pool 1 soil organic carbon

$$DMo1(MVA, w1, f, s) := f1 \cdot L(MVA, f) - k_{d1} \cdot s \cdot w1$$

pool 2 soil organic carbon (assumed to receive the fraction f_{w1} of the woody litter)

$$DMo2(MVA, MWV, w2, f, s) := f2 \cdot L(MVA, f) + f_{w1} \cdot ploss \cdot MWV - k_{d2} \cdot s \cdot w2$$

pool 3 soil organic carbon (assumed to receive the remainder of woody litter)

$$DMo3(MVA, MWV, w3, f, s) := f3 \cdot L(MVA, f) + (1 - f_{w1}) \cdot ploss \cdot MWV - k_{d3} \cdot s \cdot w3$$

pool 4 soil organic carbon

$$DMo4(MVA, w4, f, s) := f4 \cdot L(MVA, f) - k_{d4} \cdot s \cdot w4$$

pool 5 soil organic carbon

$$DMo5(MVA, w5, f, s) := f5 \cdot L(MVA, f) - k_{d5} \cdot s \cdot w5$$

oceanic carbon

$$DMO(MA, MO) := SO \cdot \left[Vp \cdot \left[KH \cdot MA \cdot PA_{conv} - \frac{\alpha_0 \cdot MO}{VO} \right] - S \cdot rio \cdot \frac{\alpha_0 \cdot MO}{VO} \right]$$

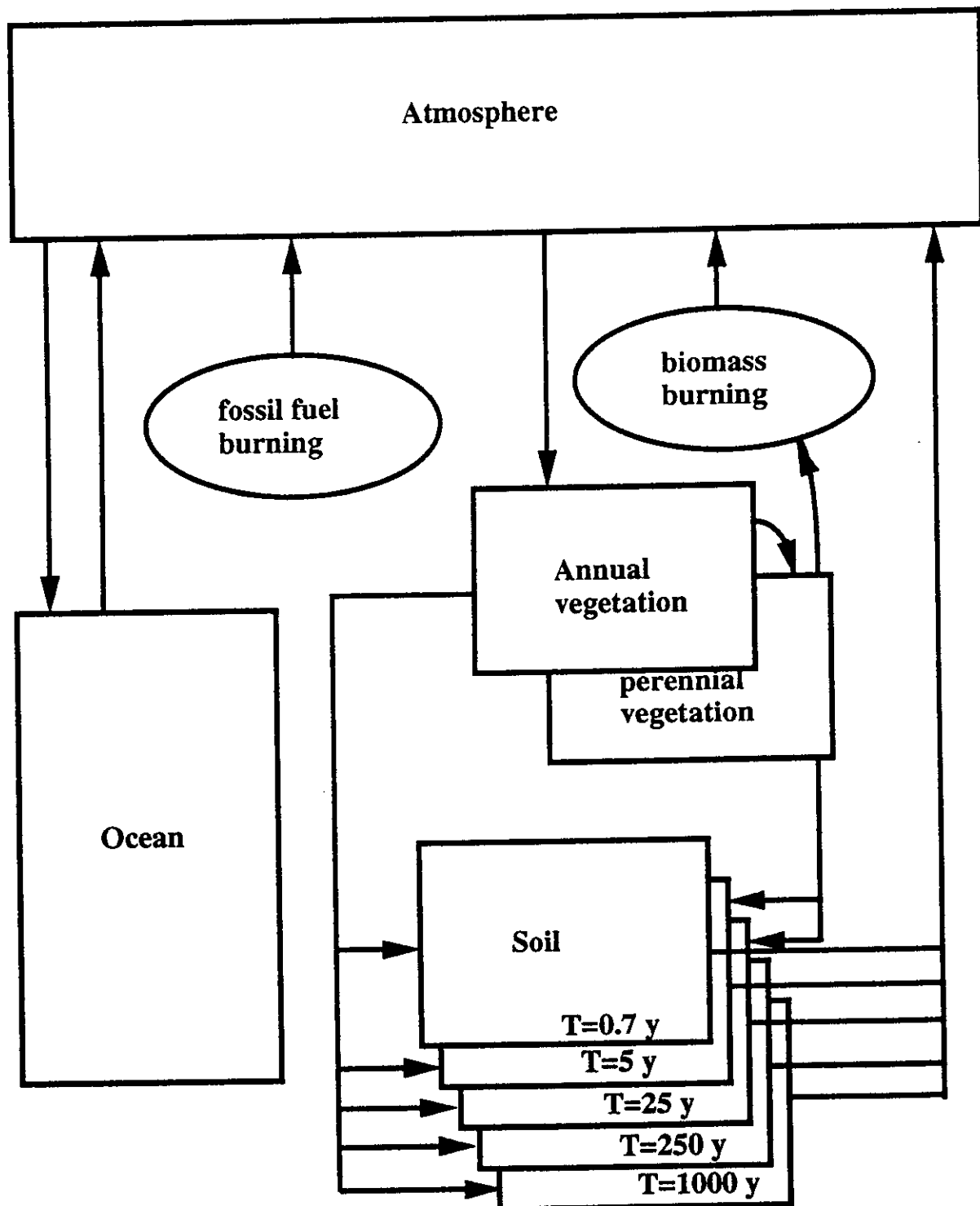
Integration

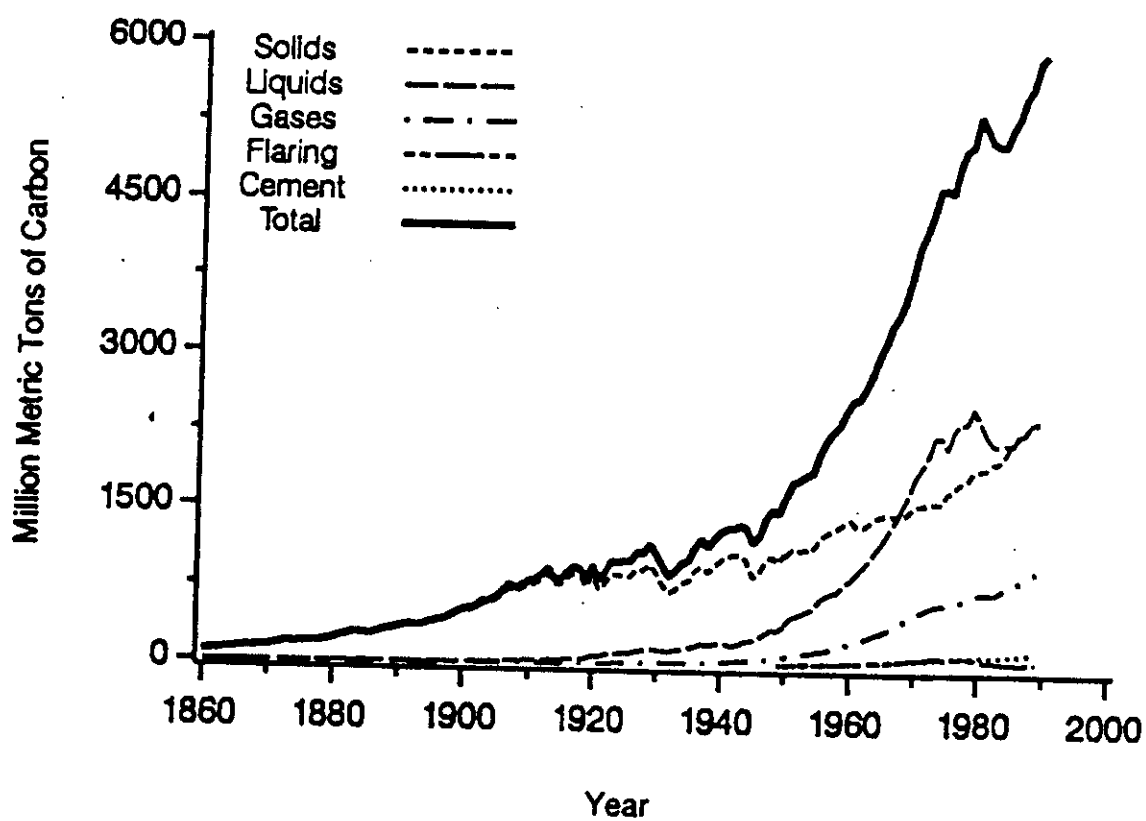
$$\begin{bmatrix} Ma_{i+1} \\ Mva_{i+1} \\ Mwv_{i+1} \\ Mo1_{i+1} \\ Mo2_{i+1} \\ Mo3_{i+1} \\ Mo4_{i+1} \\ Mo5_{i+1} \\ MO_{i+1} \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} Ma_i + dh \cdot DMa[Ma_i, Mwv_i, MO_i, Mo1_i, Mo2_i, Mo3_i, Mo4_i, Mo5_i, \delta\sigma_i, day_i] \\ Mva_i + dh \cdot DMva[Ma_i, Mva_i, Mwv_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ Mwv_i + dh \cdot DMwv[Ma_i, Mwv_i, \delta\sigma_i, day_i] \\ Mo1_i + dh \cdot DMo1[Mva_i, Mo1_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ Mo2_i + dh \cdot DMo2[Mva_i, Mwv_i, Mo2_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ Mo3_i + dh \cdot DMo3[Mva_i, Mwv_i, Mo3_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ Mo4_i + dh \cdot DMo4[Mva_i, Mo4_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ Mo5_i + dh \cdot DMo5[Mva_i, Mo5_i, \delta\phi_i, \delta\sigma_i] \\ MO_i + dh \cdot DMO[Ma_i, MO_i] \end{bmatrix}$$

computation; $dh \approx 9d$

ODE's defining the system

esm for Global Carbon Storages and Flows
extremely simple model





Global CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel burning, cement production, and gas flaring, 1860–1989.

$$F_{\max} := 40 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1}$$

maximum annual CO2 input to the atmosphere
from future fossil fuel oxidation

$$F_0 := 40 \cdot Tg \cdot y^{-1}$$

assumed 1300 rate of fossil fuel oxidation

$$A := \frac{F_{\max} - F_0}{F_0}$$

$$a := 0.009 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-2}$$

assumed linear (a) and logistic (b) rates
of fossil fuel oxidation

$$b := 0.02782 \cdot y^{-1}$$

$$F(z) := a \cdot (z) + \frac{F_{\max}}{[1 + A \cdot e^{-b \cdot z}]}^a$$

$$F1_{\max} := 33 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1}$$

$$F1_0 := 0.1 \cdot Tg \cdot y^{-1}$$

$$A1 := \frac{F1_{\max} - F1_0}{F1_0}$$

$$c := 0.0485 \cdot y^{-1}$$

$$cc := 0.0007 \cdot y^{-1}$$

$$Pre := 2 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1}$$

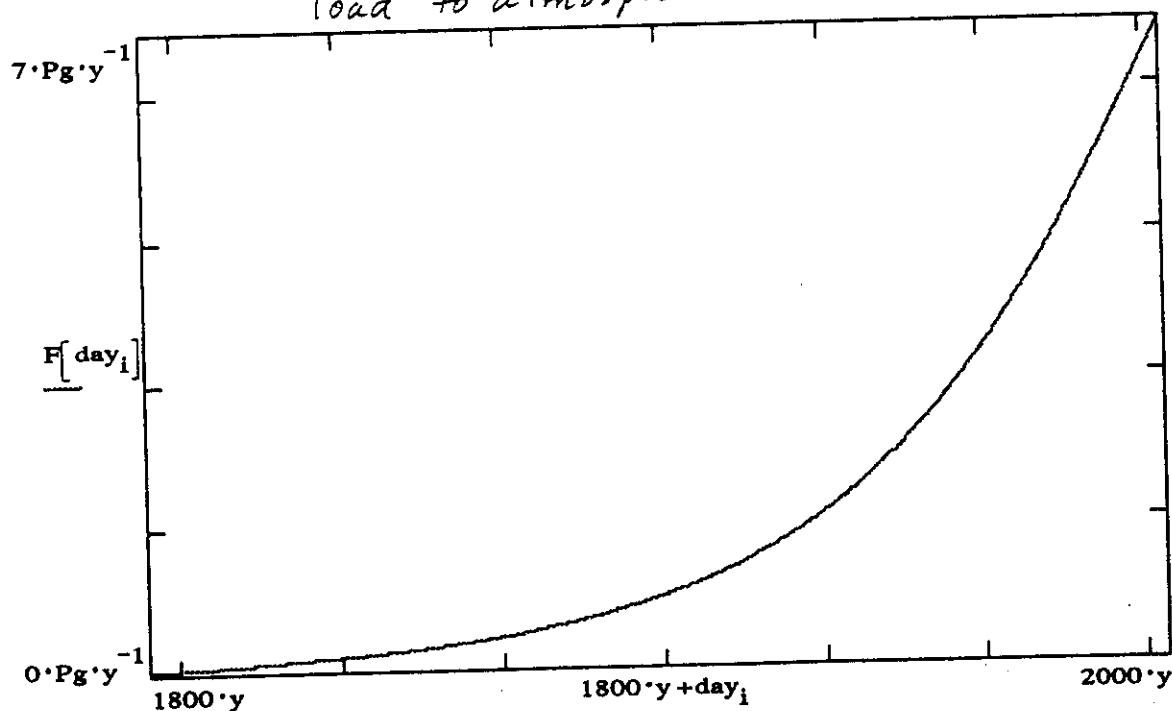
$$F(z) := \frac{F_{\max}}{[1 + A \cdot e^{-b \cdot z}]} - \frac{F1_{\max}}{[1 + A1 \cdot e^{-c \cdot z}]} + [Pre \cdot [1 - e^{-cc \cdot [z]}]]$$

other functions used
for other scenarios

$$F(60 \cdot y) = 0.291831 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1} \quad F(180 \cdot y) = 4.837744 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1}$$

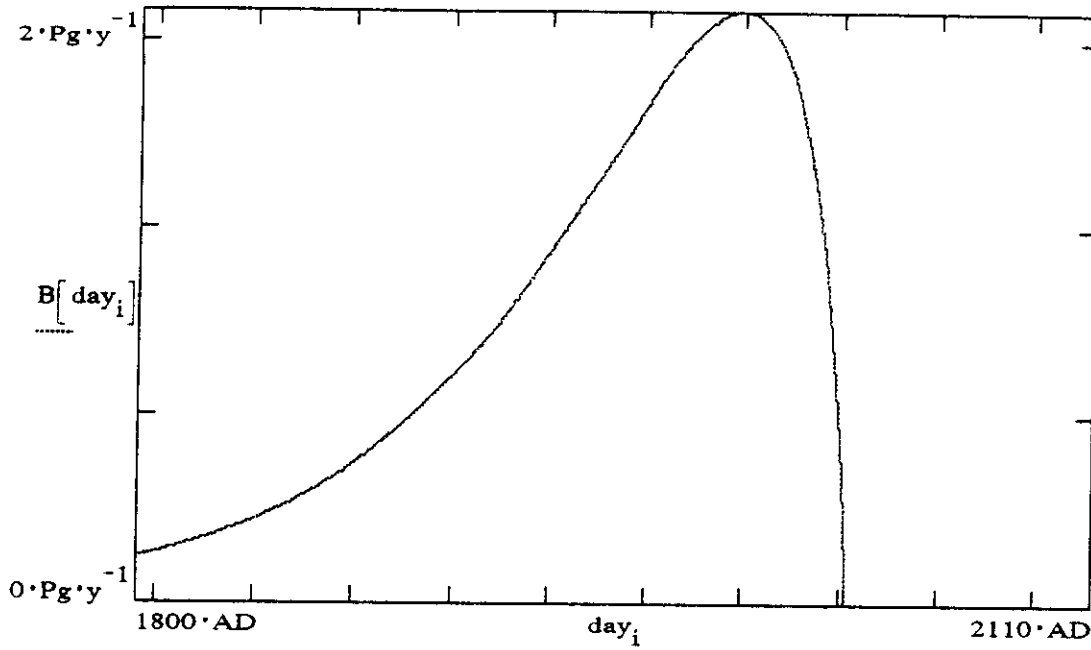
$$F(150 \cdot y) = 2.496032 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1} \quad F(192 \cdot y) = 6.095853 \cdot Pg \cdot y^{-1}$$

Approximation to fossil fuel etc. annual
load to atmosphere.

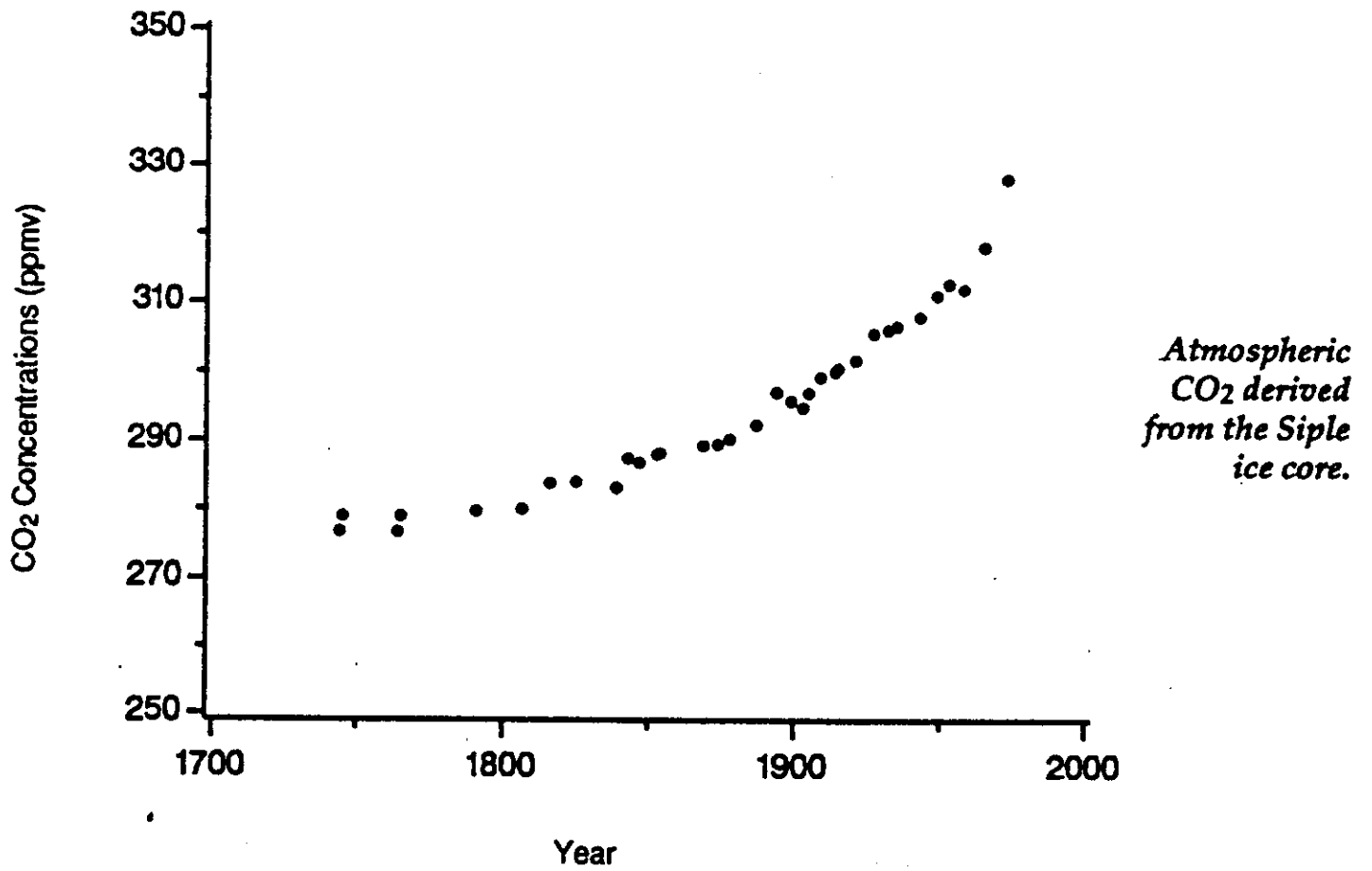


$$B(z) := \text{if } z > y_{\text{end}}, 0 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}, \left[B_{\text{max}} \cdot e^{a \cdot [z - y_{\text{max}}]} \right] \cdot \left[\frac{[y_{\text{end}} - z]}{[y_{\text{end}} - y_{\text{max}}]} \right]$$

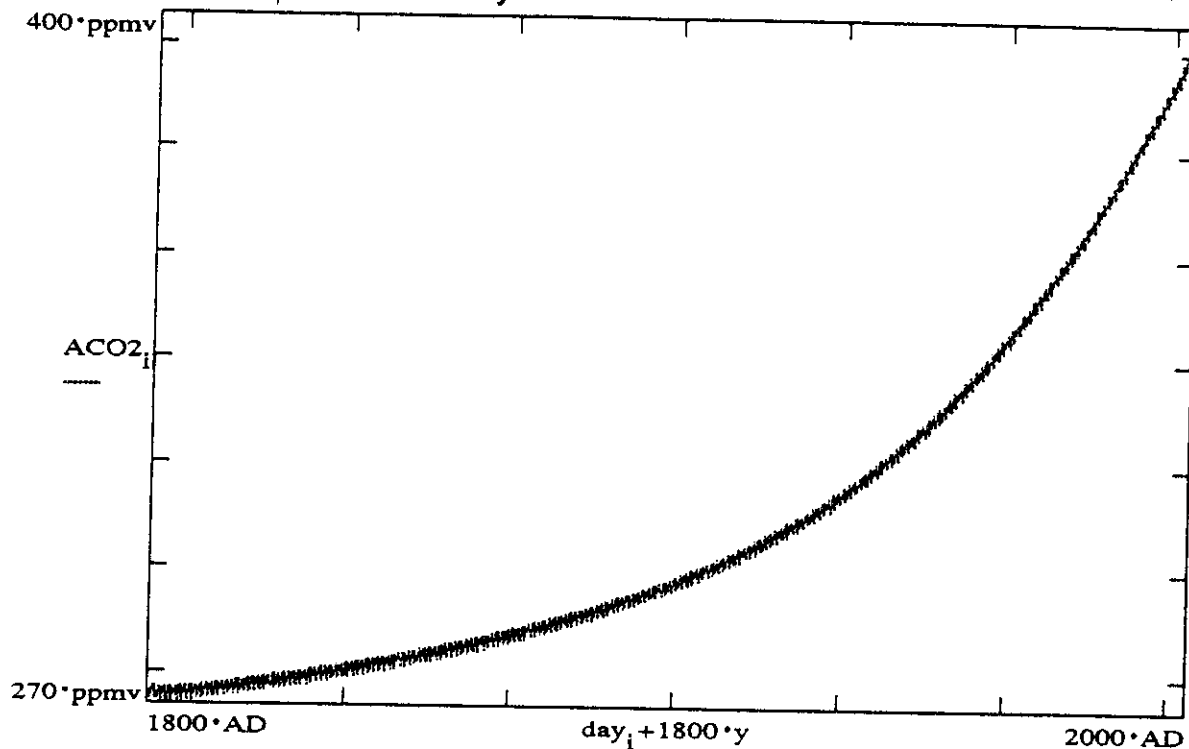
$$B[\text{day}_0] = 0.151232 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$



- Function approximating biomass burning annual flux of CO_2 into atmosphere-
- This function also serves as loss rate to perennial vegetation.



1. model "calibrated" to steady state with conditions of 1800 A.D. all constituents stable for > 20y simulation
2. Run with fossil fuel & biomass burning inputs & losses (to perennial vegetation) for 1800 AD to 2000 AD.



now := 192.36

y82 := 182.36

last_decade := y82..now

now = $6.912 \cdot 10^3$

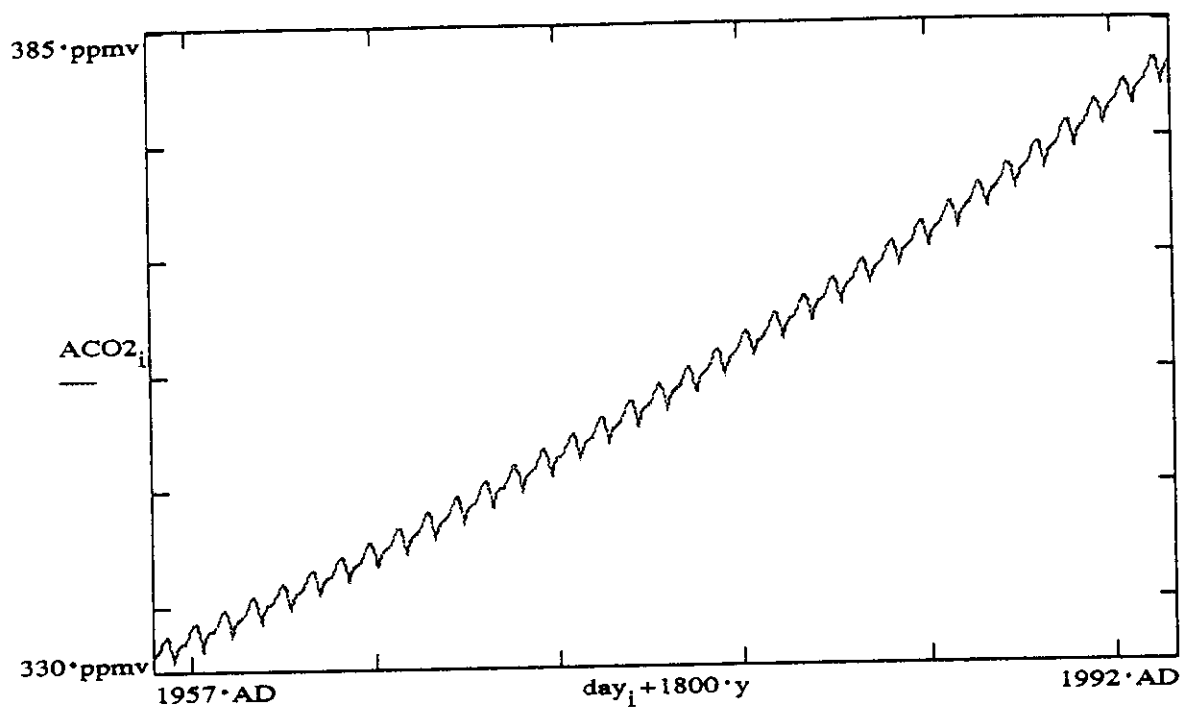
y82 = $6.552 \cdot 10^3$

$$\alpha := \frac{Ma_{\text{now}} - Ma_{\text{y82}}}{dh \cdot \left[\sum_{\text{last_decade}} F[\text{day}_{\text{last_decade}}] \right]}$$

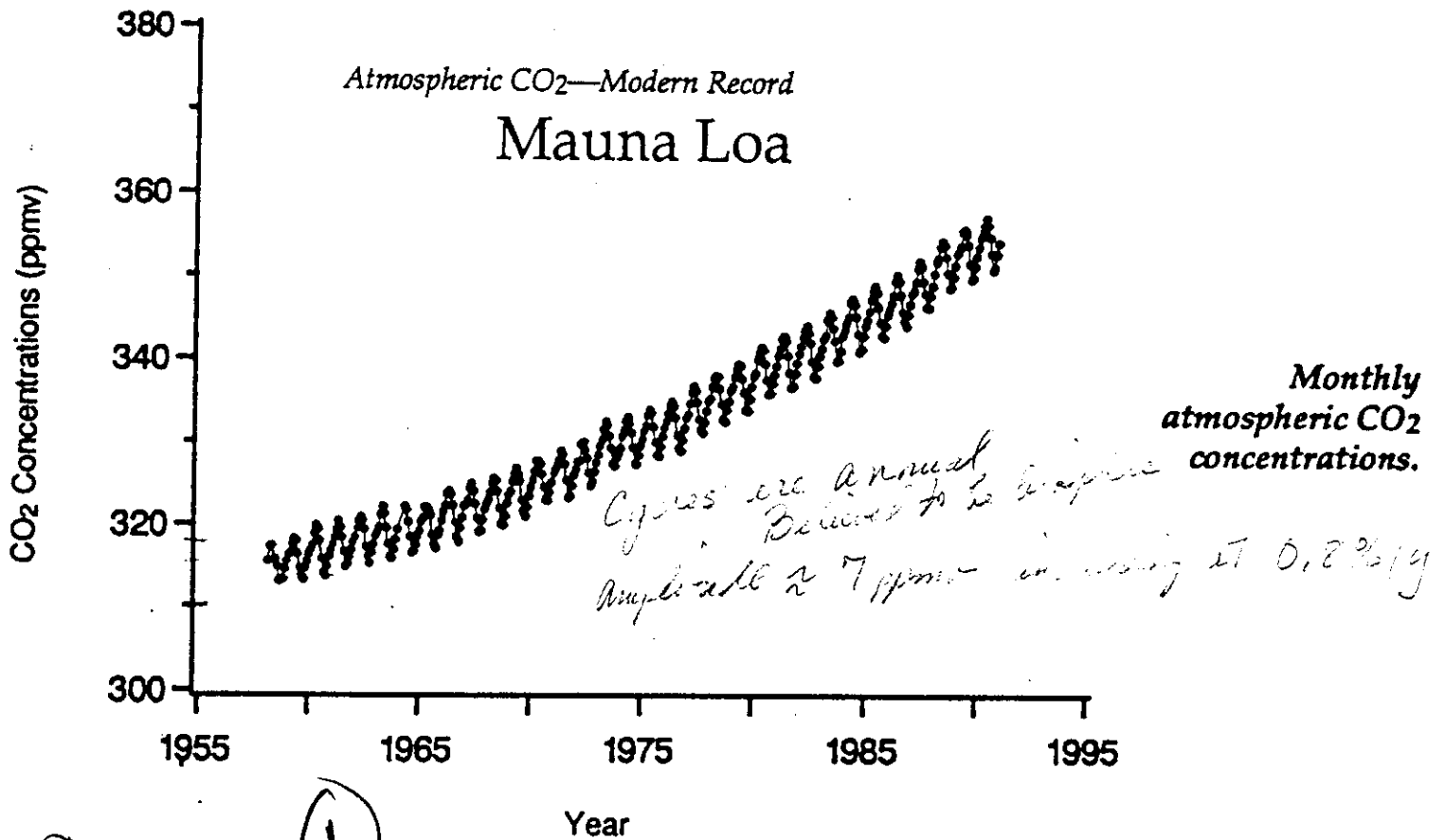
$\alpha = 0.679786$

Airborne fraction

Note $\alpha \approx .08$ higher than actual.

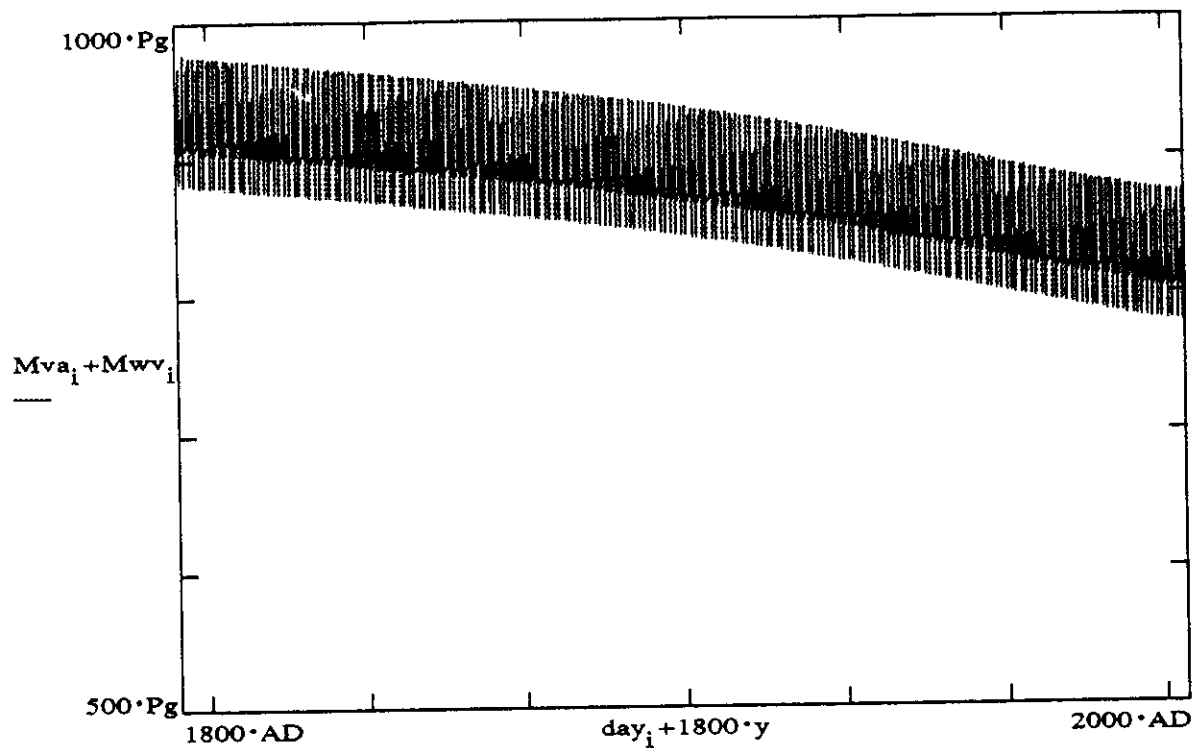


Details of output for 1957 - 1992 AD,
interval of Keeling Mauna Loa atm CO₂
record.

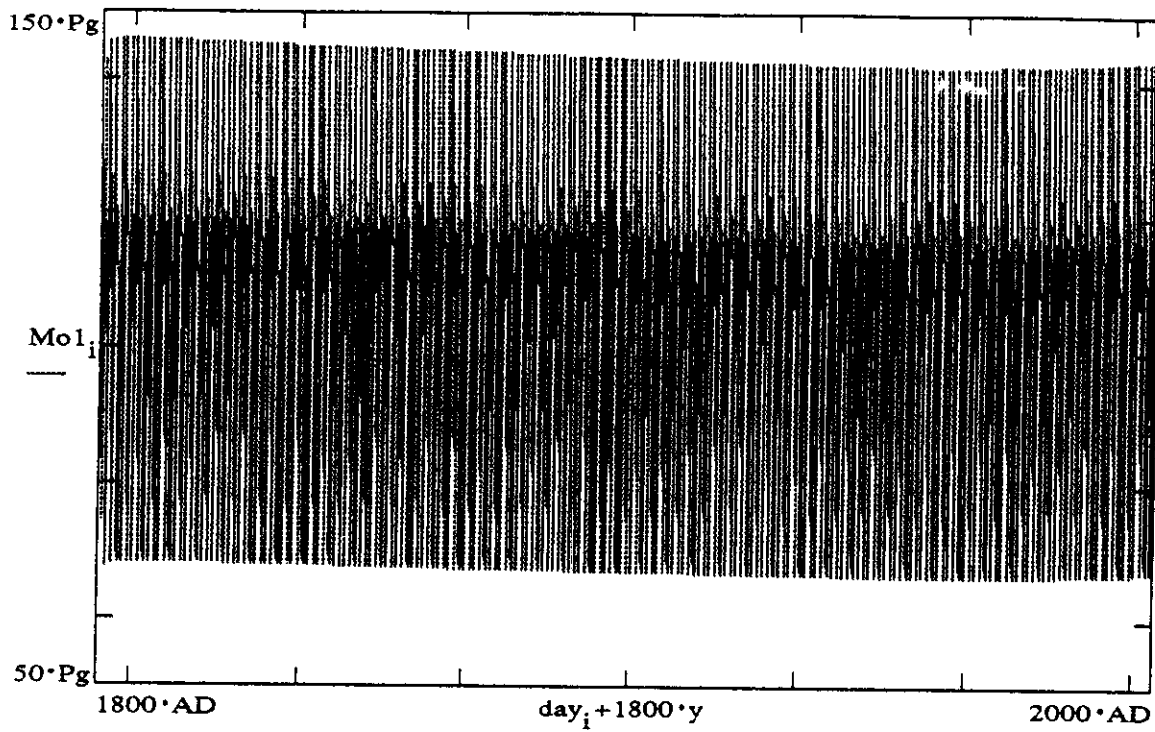


② But compare to FF input & note that increase is $<$ input, never mind the BB—

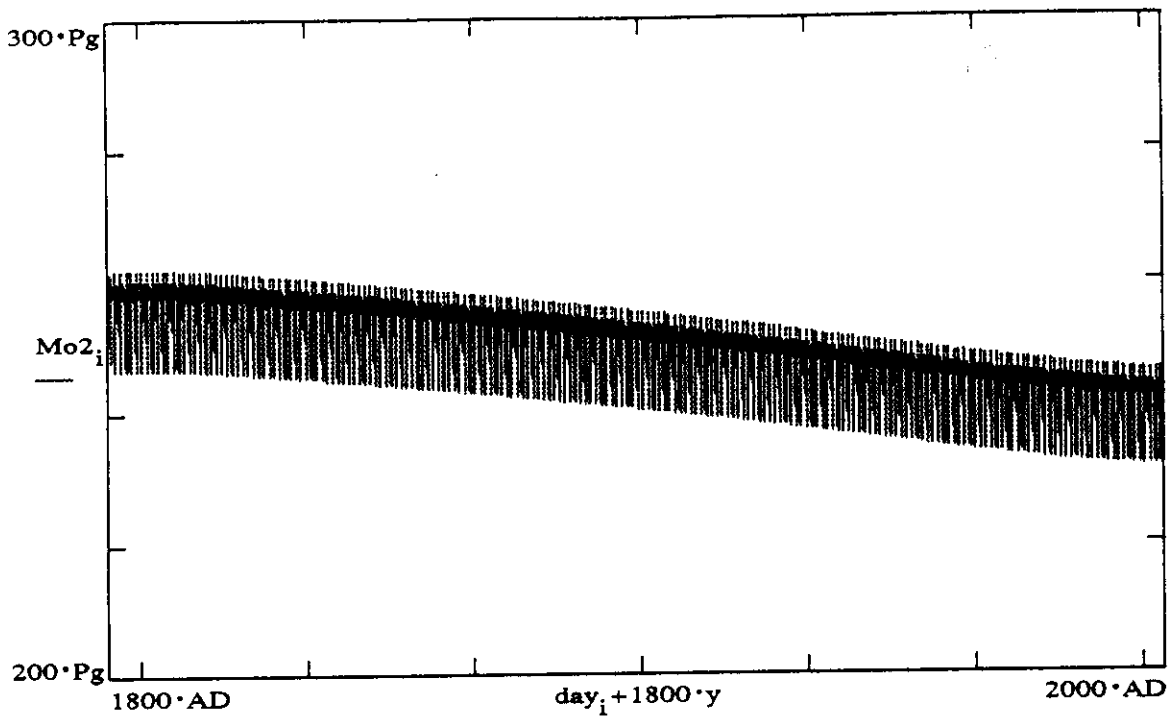
① Overall Increase is around 0.4% - 0.5% per year (3 - 4 Pg)



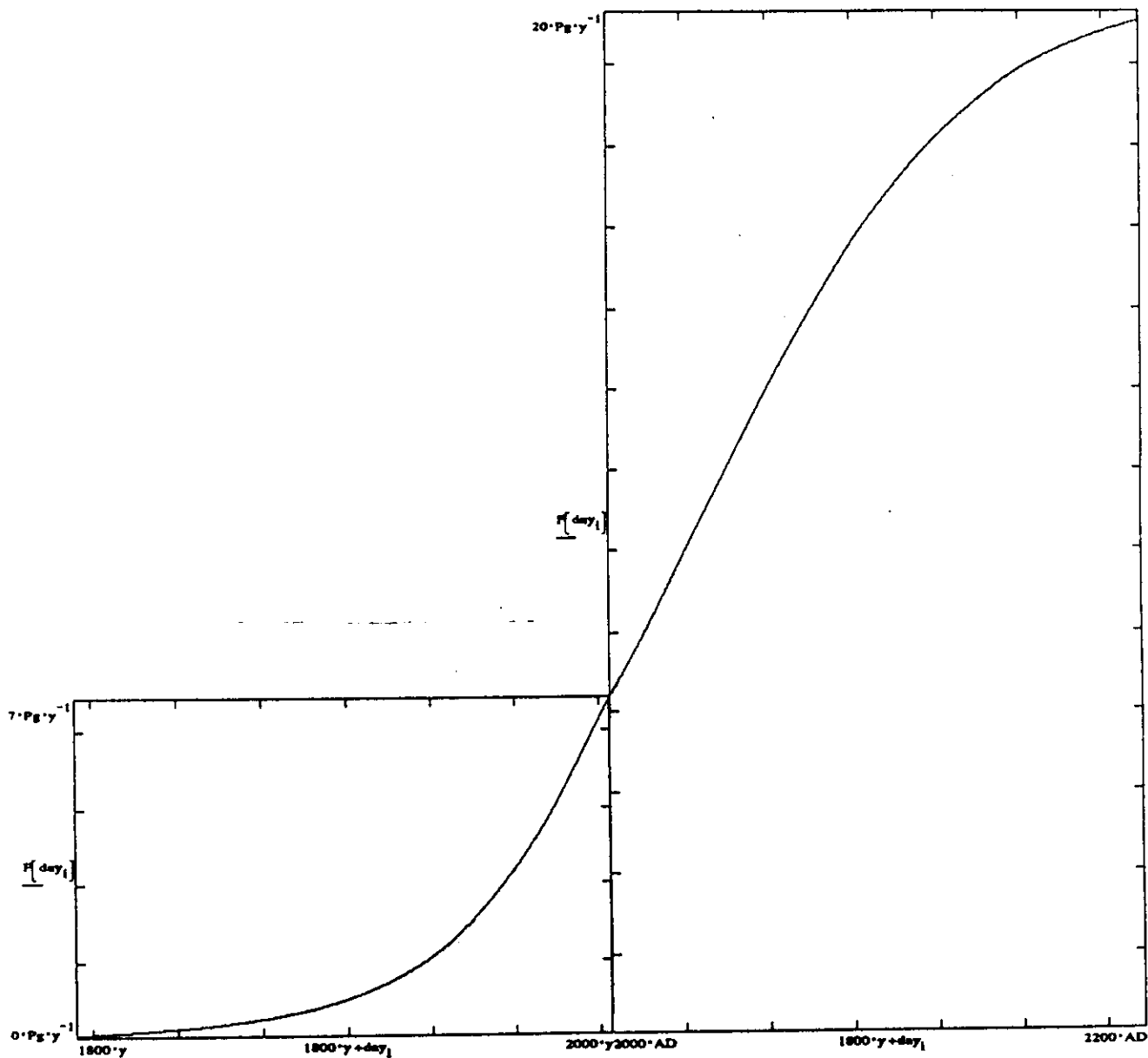
Calculated vegetation. Width of band is magnitude of annual fluctuations. Reduction in overall magnitude due to deforestation (equiv to biomass burning flux in this esm).



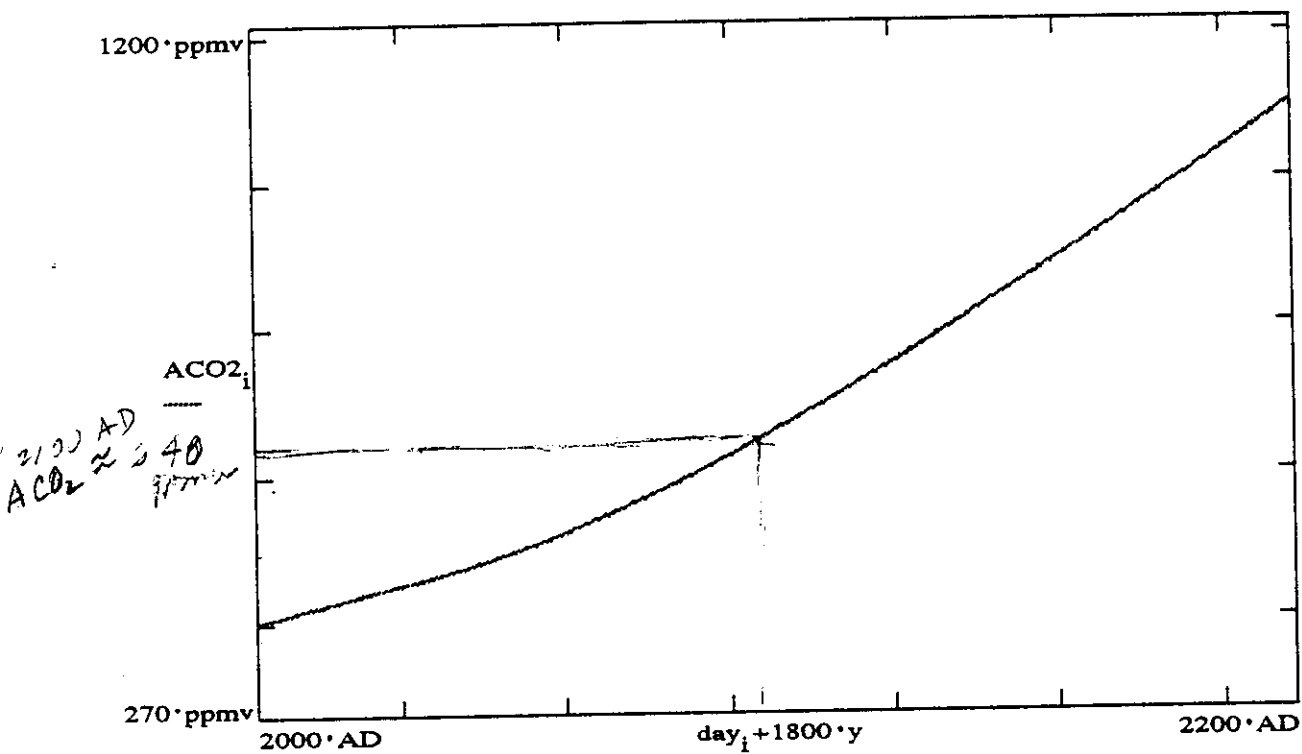
Fastest turnover time soil organic C pool.
 Slight increase with $t \rightarrow 2000$ AD due to
 C fertilization of annual vegetation.



5 yr. turnover time soil organic C. Note decrease due to decrease in inputs from annual vegetation & slowing of decrease with $t \rightarrow 2000$ AD from C-fertilized inputs from annual vegetation. Higher turnover-time components respond similarly, but with lower magnitudes.



Whole spectrum of fossil fuel inputs for scenario with carrying-capacity-limited vegetation $\hat{=}$ following scenario without carrying-capacity limitation



$$y_{2100} := 100 \cdot 36$$

$$y_{2110} := 110 \cdot 36$$

$$\text{decade} := y_{2100}..y_{2110}$$

$$y_{2100} = 3.6 \cdot 10^3$$

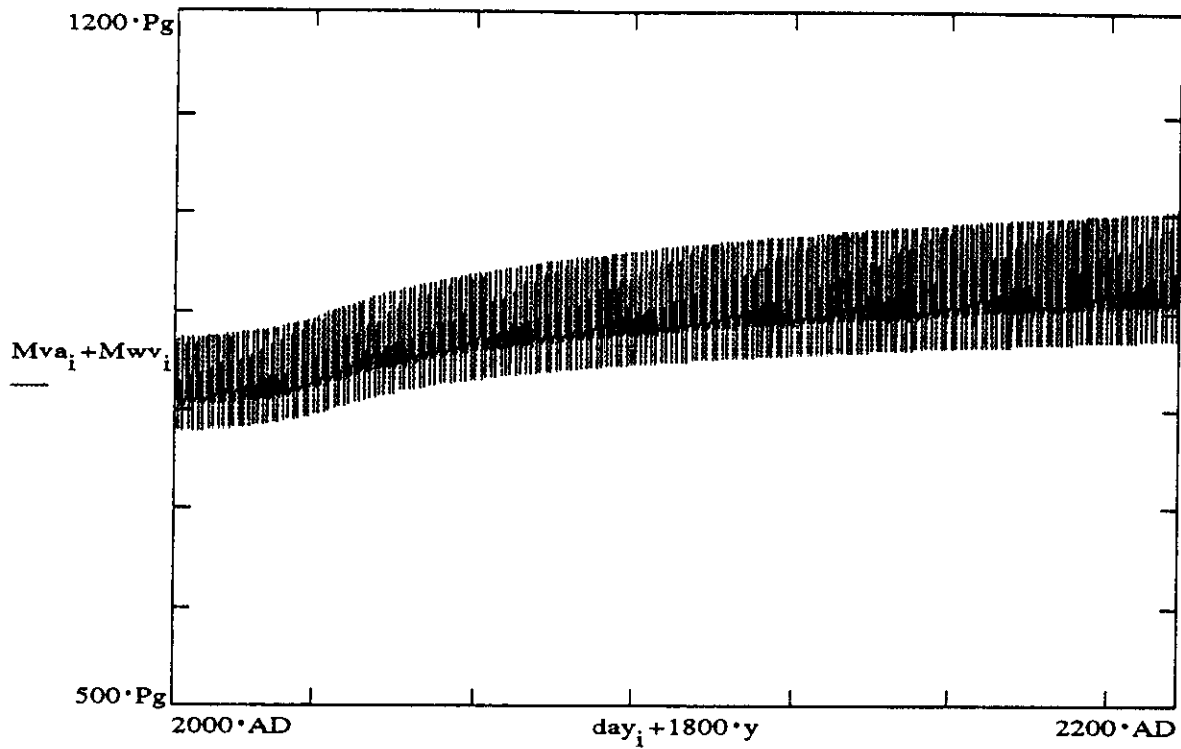
$$y_{2110} = 3.96 \cdot 10^3$$

$$\alpha := \frac{Ma_{y_{2110}} - Ma_{y_{2100}}}{dh \cdot \left[\left[\sum_{\text{decade}} F[\text{day}_{\text{decade}}] \right] \right]}$$

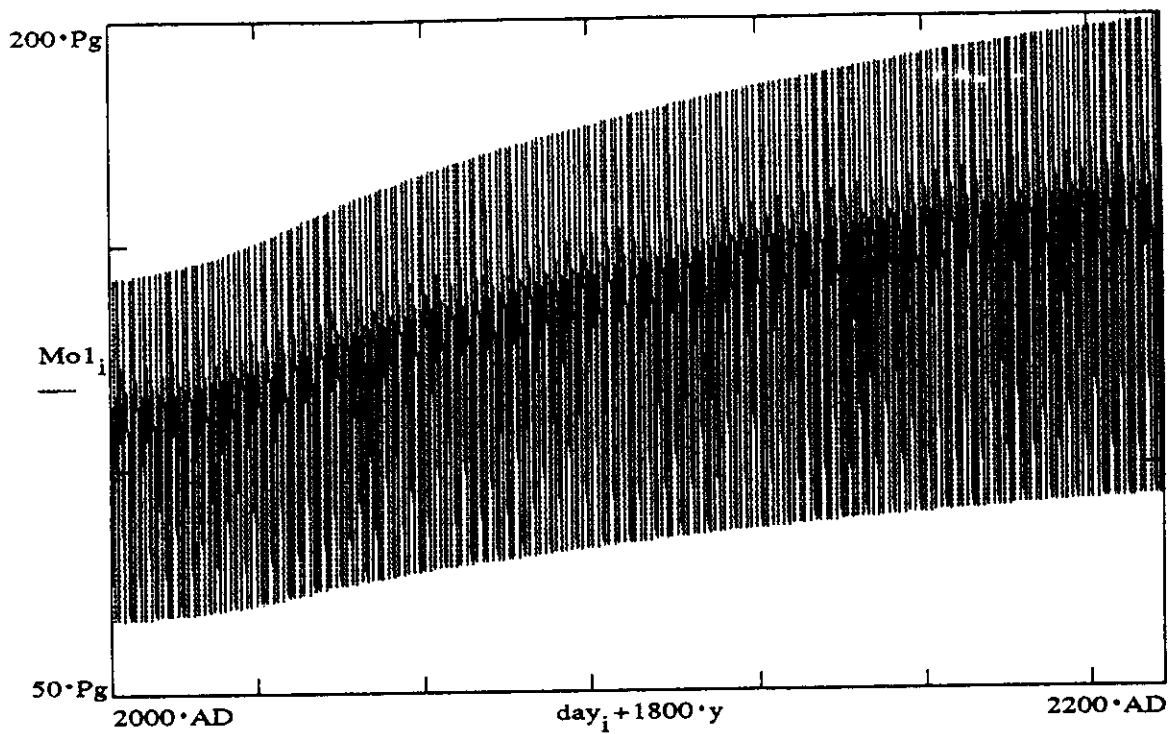
$$\alpha = 0.518296$$

Airborne fraction

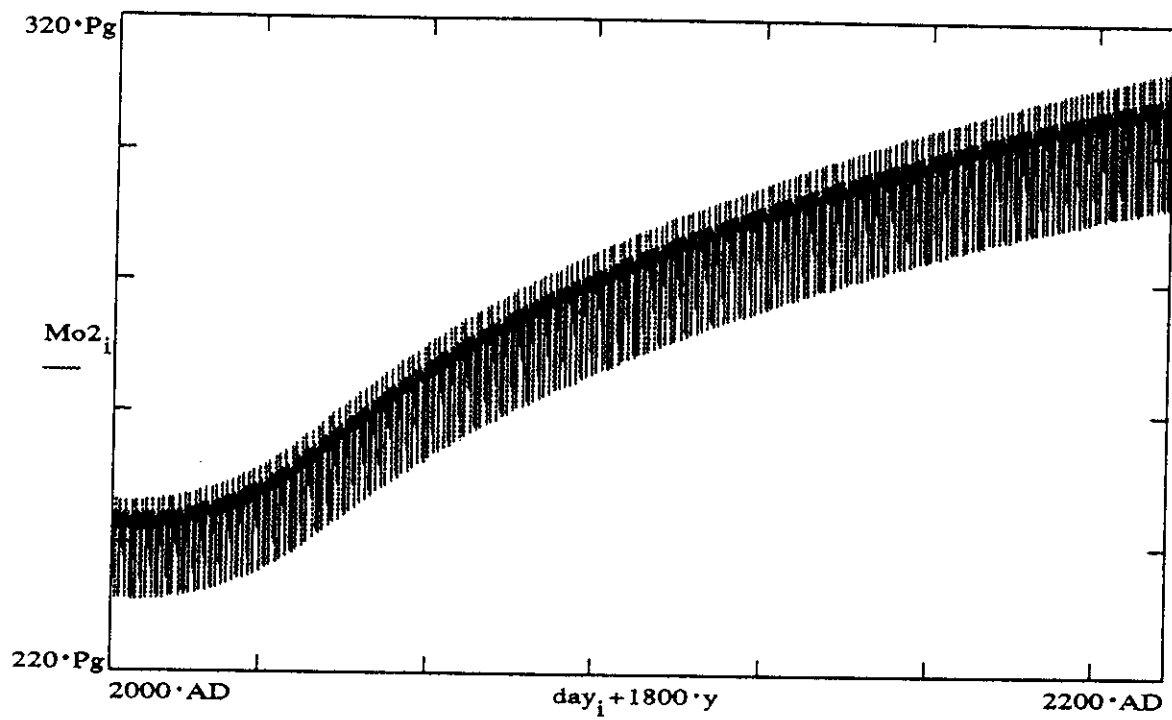
note reduction in α below 1992 level.



With carrying-capacity limitation regrowth
to about level of 1800 AD occurs by
2200 AD.

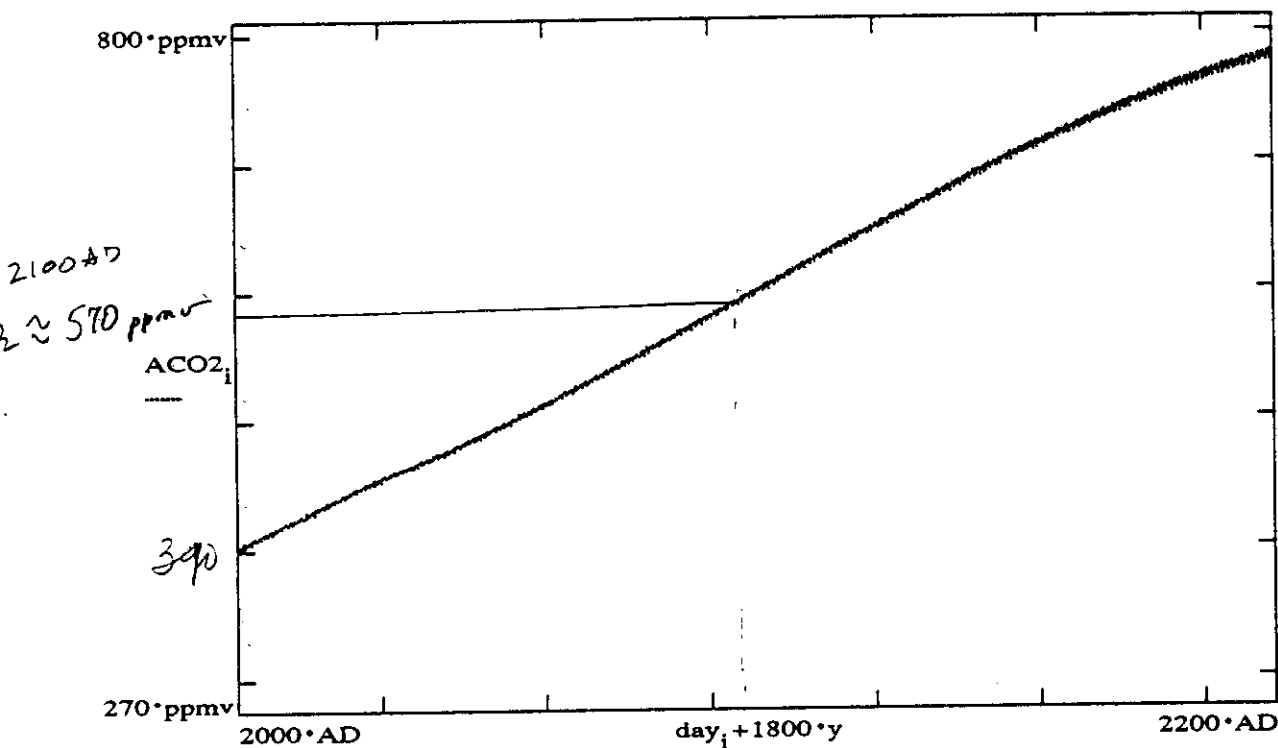


Short-turnover-time soil organic C increases
by greater proportion than vegetation &
amplitude of annual fluctuations increases.



5-year turnover-time organic C-

Calculated ACO_2 2000-2200 AD without carrying capacity limitation on vegetation.



$$y_{2080} := 80 \cdot 36$$

$$y_{2070} := 70 \cdot 36$$

$$\text{decade} := y_{2070} .. y_{2080}$$

$$y_{2080} = 2.88 \cdot 10^3$$

$$y_{2070} = 2.52 \cdot 10^3$$

$$\alpha := \frac{\text{Ma}_{y_{2080}} - \text{Ma}_{y_{2070}}}{\text{dh} \cdot \left[\sum_{\text{decade}} F[\text{day}_{\text{decade}}] \right]}$$

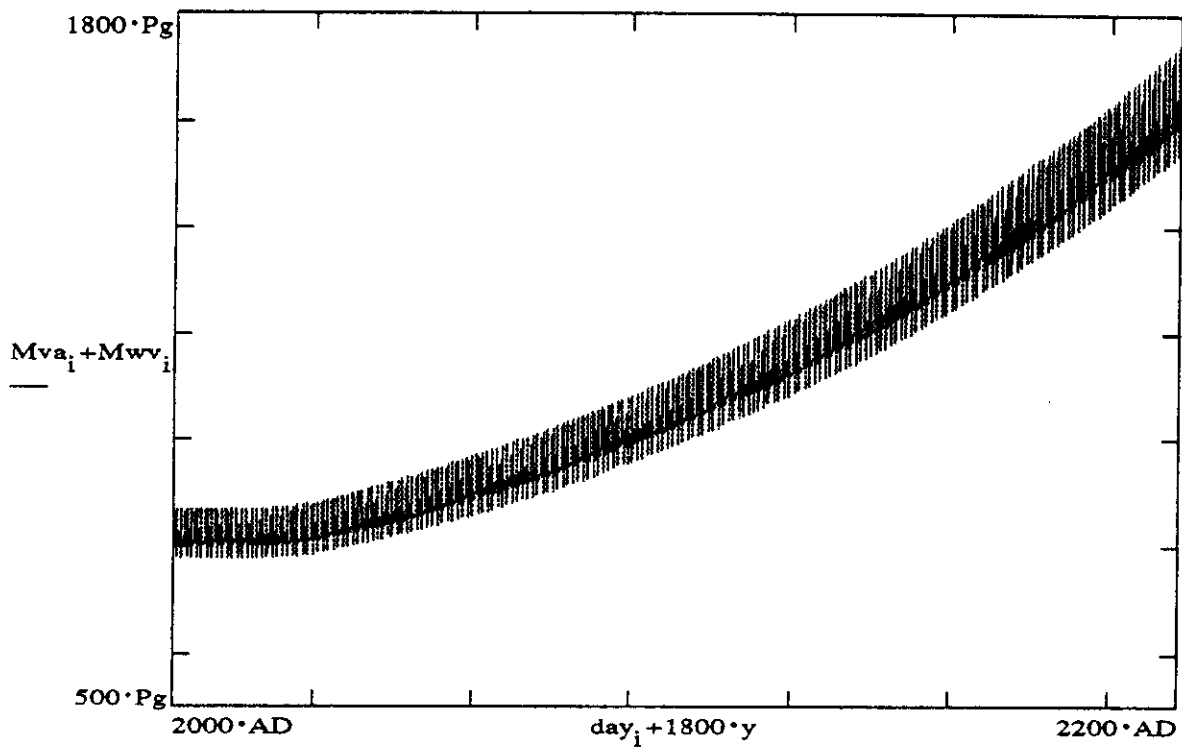
$$\text{Ma}_{y_{2080}} - \text{Ma}_{y_{2070}}$$

$$\alpha = 0.328689$$

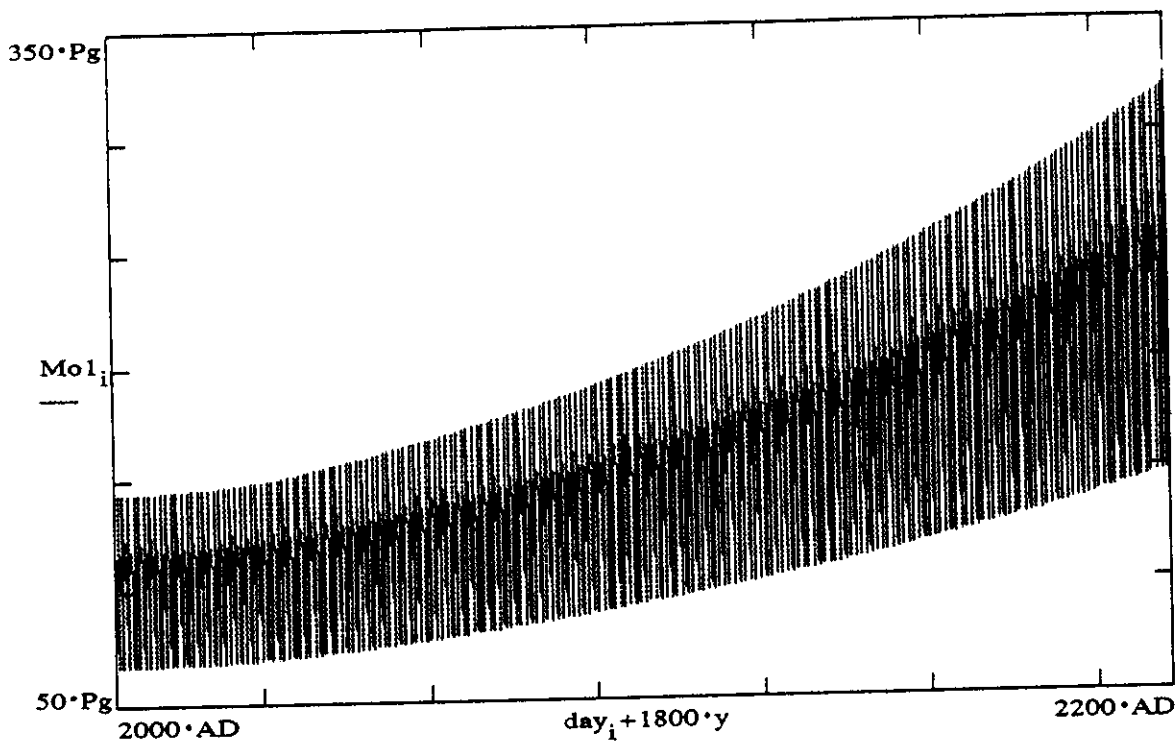
Airborne fraction

below level with carrying-capacity-limitation on vegetation

Reduction in α presumably due to increased plant uptake & storage by soils.



Vegetation reaches nearly double the standing crop of 1800 AD



Large increase in overall magnitude & amplitude of annual fluctuations of rapid turnover soil organic C. Other fractions follow similar pattern.

$$F_{\max} := 40 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

maximum annual CO2 input to the atmosphere
from future fossil fuel oxidation

$$F1_{\max} := 33 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$F_0 := 40 \cdot \text{Tg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

assumed 1980 rate of fossil fuel oxidation

$$\text{Pre} := 2 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$F1_0 := 0.1 \cdot \text{Tg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$\text{cc} := .0007 \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$A := \frac{F_{\max} - F_0}{F_0}$$

$$A1 := \frac{F1_{\max} - F1_0}{F1_0}$$

$$A = 9.99 \cdot 10^2$$

$$A1 = 3.29999 \cdot 10^5$$

$$a := 0.01 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-2}$$

assumed linear (a) and logistic (b) rates
of fossil fuel oxidation

$$a \cdot \text{day}_0 = 18 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$b := 0.02782 \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$c := 0.0485 \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$a \cdot (z - 1800 \cdot \text{y})$$

$$\text{day}_n = 2.11 \cdot 10^3 \cdot \text{y}$$

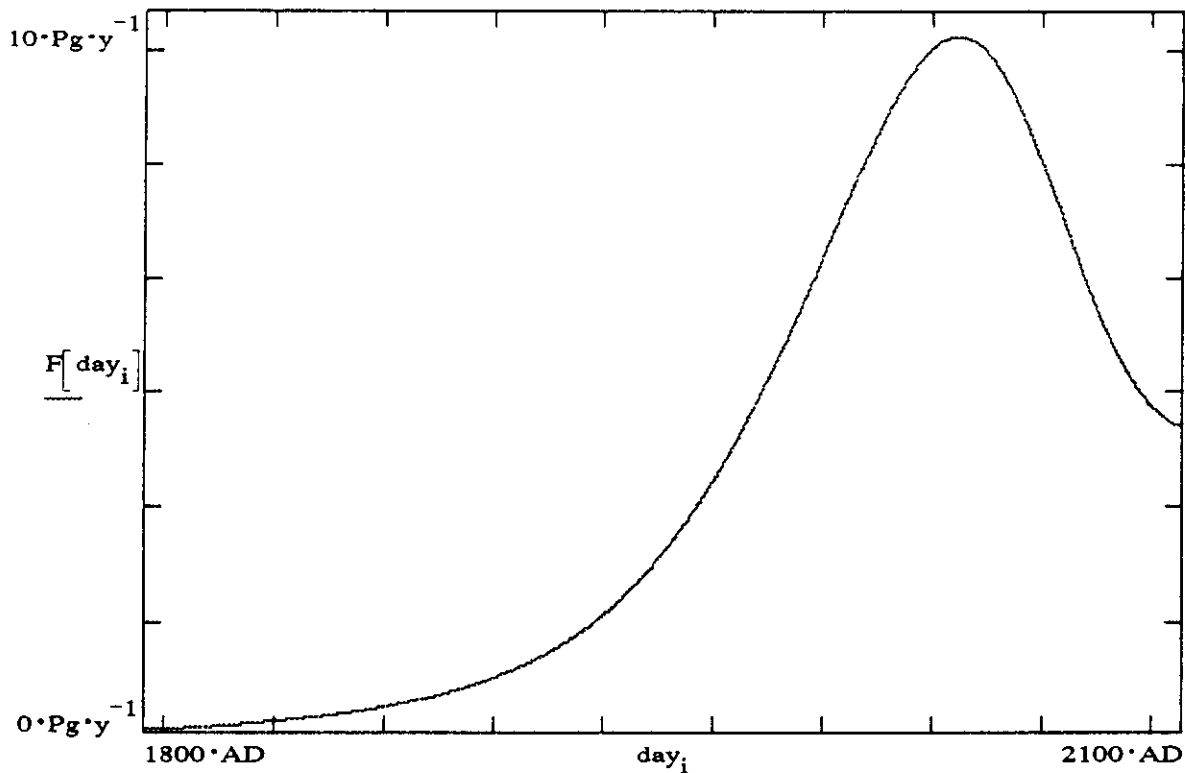
$$F(z) := \frac{F_{\max}}{[1 + A \cdot [e^{-b \cdot [z - 1800 \cdot \text{y}}]]]} - \frac{F1_{\max}}{[1 + A1 \cdot [e^{-c \cdot [z - 1800 \cdot \text{y}}]]]} + [\text{Pre} \cdot [1 - e^{-\text{cc} \cdot [z - 1800 \cdot \text{y}}]]]$$

$$F(2050 \cdot \text{y}) = 8.972674 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

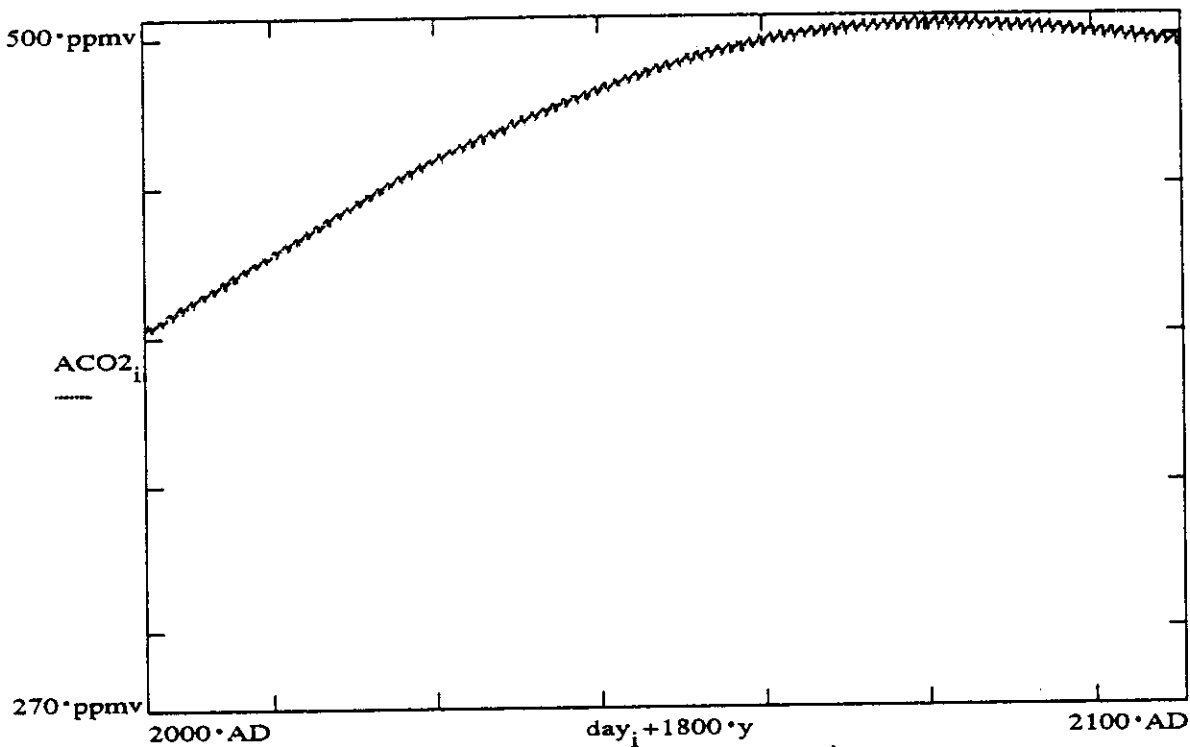
$$F(1860 \cdot \text{y}) = 0.291831 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1} \quad F(1980 \cdot \text{y}) = 4.837744 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$F(2110 \cdot \text{y}) = 4.233108 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$

$$F(1950 \cdot \text{y}) = 2.496032 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1} \quad F(1992 \cdot \text{y}) = 6.095853 \cdot \text{Pg} \cdot \text{y}^{-1}$$



"Optimistic" fossil fuel flux scenario.



Optimistic scenario with maximal $ACO_2 < 500 \text{ ppmv}$.

$$y_{2080} := 80 \cdot 36$$

$$y_{2070} := 70 \cdot 36$$

$$\text{decade} := y_{2070} \dots y_{2080}$$

$$y_{2080} = 2.88 \cdot 10^3$$

$$y_{2070} = 2.52 \cdot 10^3$$

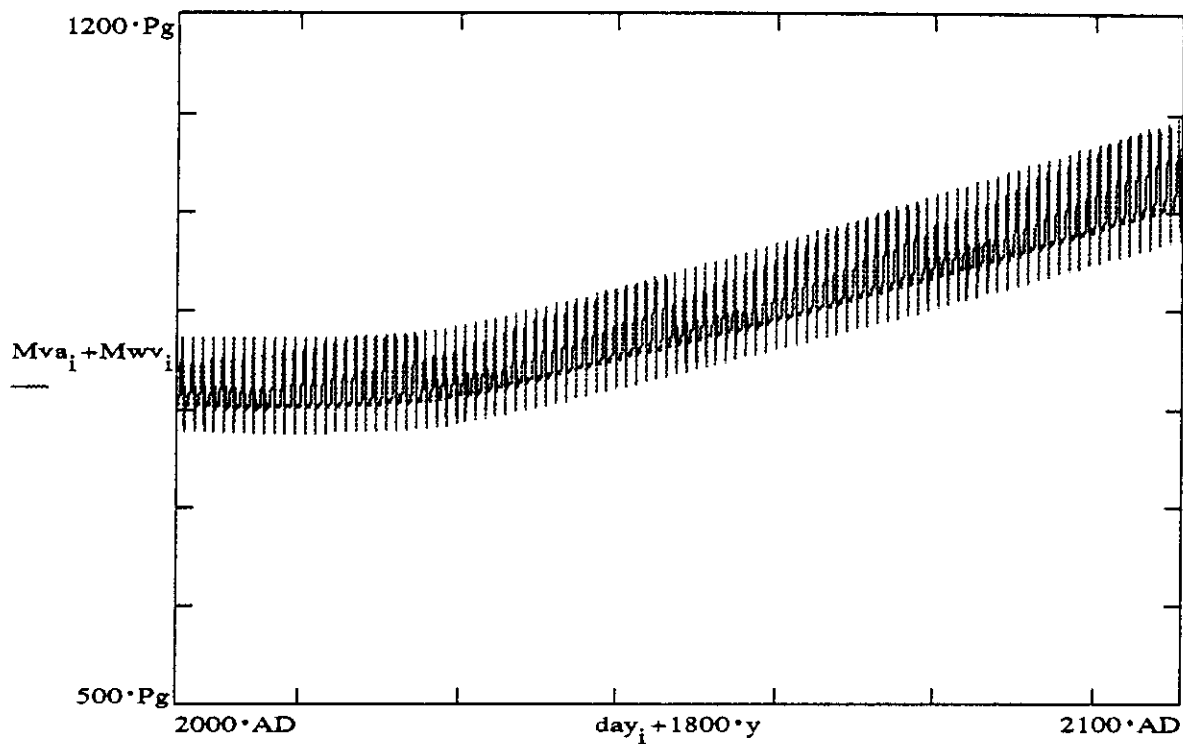
$$\alpha := \frac{Ma_{y_{2080}} - Ma_{y_{2070}}}{dh \cdot \left[\sum_{\text{decade}} F[\text{day}_{\text{decade}}] \right]}$$

$$Ma_{y_{2080}} - Ma_{y_{2070}}$$

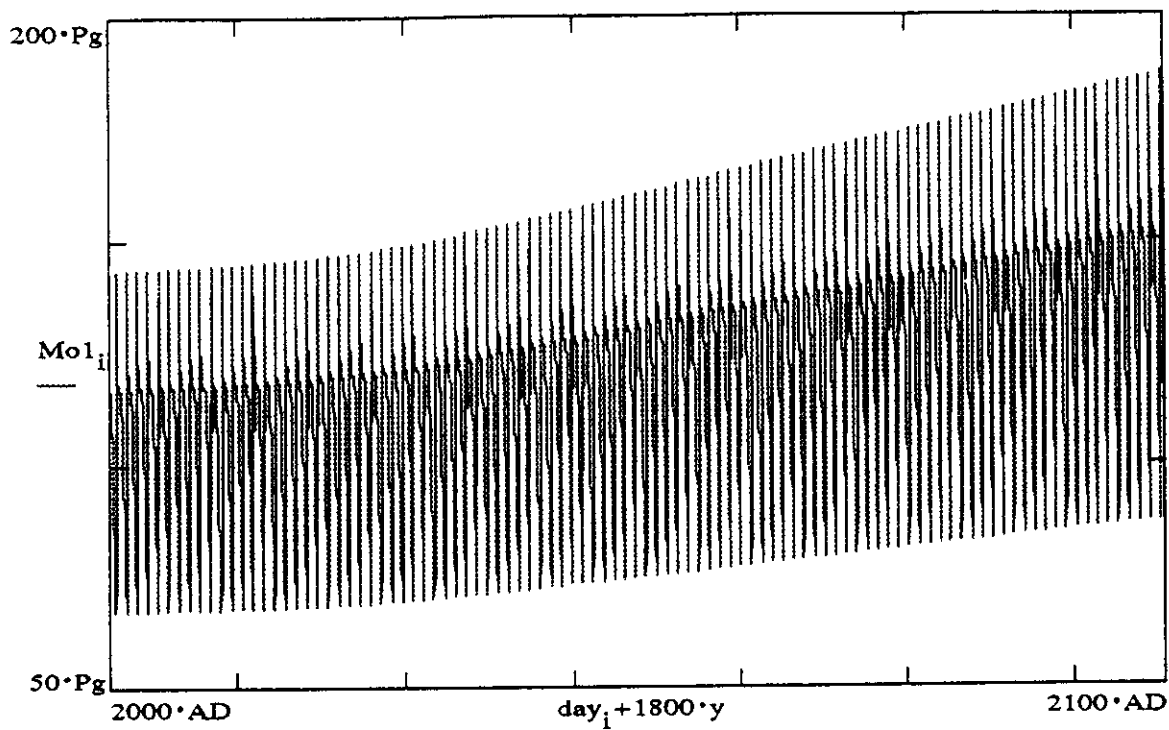
$$\alpha = 0.019631$$

Airborne fraction

* can be wide variety of values depending on when it is calculated.



Vegetation exceeds level of 1800 AD, but is considerably lower than levels reached with high fossil fuel input.



Rapid turnover soil organic C. Continuing to accumulate C. Other fractions follow similar pattern.