

Brief Description of ISAM

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The current version of ISAM consists of several sub-models including a terrestrial biosphere-ocean carbon cycle model and 2D (latitude and height) models for chemical transport, radiative forcing, and climate. Connections to the economic and social sciences have been achieved through Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL)'s MiniCAM model. In this study we use a reduced form version of our ISAM for future emission scenario analysis, as described by Jain et al. (1994a) and Jain and Hayhoe (2002). The reduced-form ISAM model estimates the relationship between the time-dependent rate of GHG and aerosol emissions and quantitative features of climate including GHG concentrations, Equivalent Effective Stratospheric Chlorine (EESC) and ozone, global temperature and sea level. The reduced form ISAM comprises:

Carbon Cycle. ISAM's global carbon cycle component simulates CO₂ exchange between the atmosphere, carbon reservoirs in the terrestrial biosphere, and the ocean column and mixed layer (Jain *et al.*, 1994a, 1995, 1996; Kheshgi *et al.*, 1996, 1999a)

Methane Cycle. In its reduced form as used in this study, atmospheric CH₄ concentrations are calculated by simulating the main atmospheric chemical processes influencing the global concentrations of CH₄, CO, and OH, using a global CH₄-CO-OH cycle model (Jain *et al.*, 1994b; Kheshgi *et al.*, 1999b)

Other GHGs. In its reduced form, ISAM past and future atmospheric concentrations for N₂O and halocarbons are calculated by a mass balance model as described by Bach and Jain (1990)

Climate Model. ISAM calculates temperature and sea level changes based on a reduced-form energy-balance climate model of the type used in the 1990 IPCC assessment (Harvey *et al.*, 1997)). The climate component of ISAM calculates the perturbations in radiative forcings from CO₂ and other GHGs based on updated seasonal and latitudinal GHG radiative forcing analyses (Jain *et al.*, 2000).

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