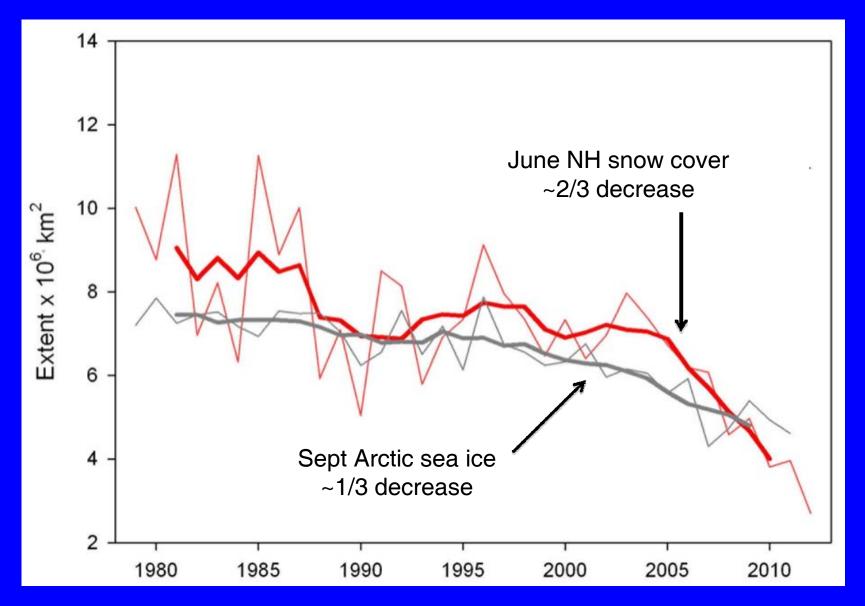
Mitigating Near-Term Climate Change while Advancing Human Development

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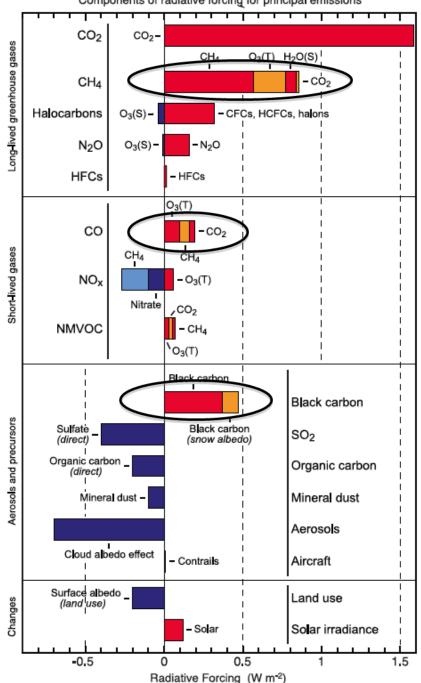
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### Climate change is not only a problem in 2100



#### Derksen & Brown, GRL, 2012

Components of radiative forcing for principal emissions



PCC AR4, 2007

# Climate change is driven by many agents

Historical methane + CO + BC approx. equal to  $CO_2$ 

Degrade air quality

**Relatively short-lived** 

## **Emission Control Measures for SLCPs**

• Out of ~400 analyzed, 16 found to be optimal targets

#### 'Methane measures'

- extraction and long-distance transport of fossil fuels
- waste management; municipal, landfills & wastewater
- agriculture; livestock manure & intermittent rice aeration





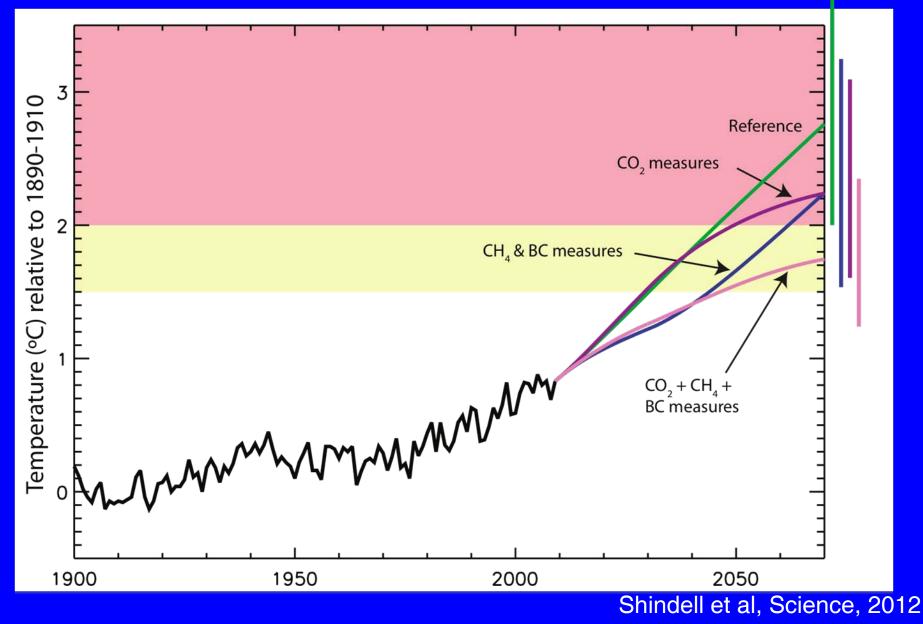
# 'BC Measures': reduce emissions of black carbon and co-emissions (e.g. OC, CO)

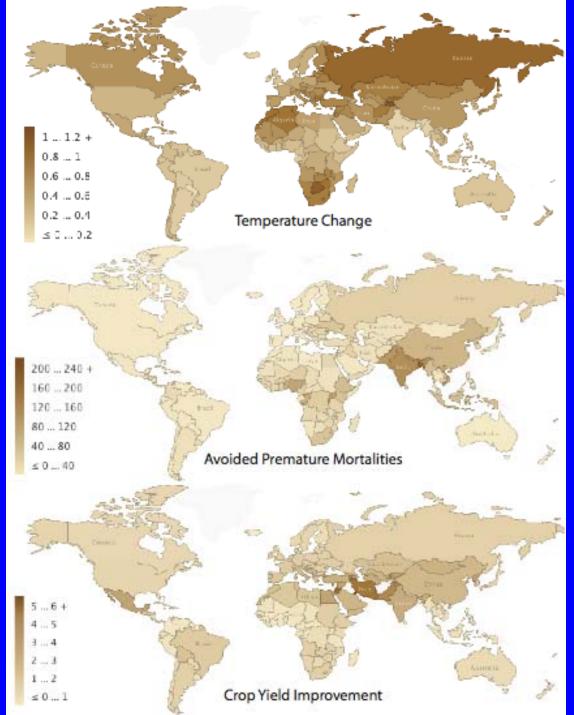
- Diesel vehicles (particle filters+)
- Replacing coal in residential stoves
- Replacing residential wood burning in Industrialized countries
- Clean-burning cookstoves in developing countries
- Modern brick kilns
- Modern coke ovens
- Ban of open burning of agricultural waste





Global Temperature Change (hybrid of results from GISS and ECHAM models and assessment of literature) added to the historical record





Projected 2010-2050 warming cut by half

More than 3 million premature deaths prevented every year

More than 50 million tons of crop yield increases every year

Shindell et al, Science, 2012

#### **Benefits and Costs**

Methane measures (billions \$US): ~\$330 climate, ~4 crops, ~150 health

~\$3500 benefits per ton

Most methane abatement measures cost less than \$250/ton.

BC measures (billion \$US): ~200 climate, ~4 crops, ~5000 health

~50% of BC measures have net cost savings, another 25% (ag waste burning, high-emitting vehicles) largely regulatory

#### **Summary & Implications**

- Physical Science differences
  - CO<sub>2</sub> long-term, SLCPs near-term
- Mitigation differences
  - CO<sub>2</sub> from power, large industry, transportation sectors
  - SLCPs largely distinct activities
- Impact differences
  - CO<sub>2</sub> for long-term climate stabilization; global benefits
  - SLCPs for near-term climate change, human health, agriculture and human development; regional benefits
- Reducing the SLCPs is important to:
  - those already suffering from the impacts of climate change
  - preventing biodiversity loss
  - providing additional time for adaptation
  - realize the associated health and agricultural benefits
- Tackling both near-term and long-term climate change worthwhile
  - Near-term for our children's generation
  - Long-term for our great-grandchildren's generation