

Estimation, Validation, and Forecasts of Regional Commercial Marine Vessel Inventories

Forecast Inventories for 2010 and 2020

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Overview and Summary

- **North American inventory for base-year**
 - Best practices: activity-based inventory uses ship data and empirical spatial network
 - Most current power-based emissions factors
- **Power-based trends used for forecasting**
 - First-order indicator of proportional change in emissions, adjusted for control measures
- **Forecasts are primarily extrapolations of BAU that can be bounded and/or adjusted**
 - Validated by comparison with other modal trends and with ship trade-energy models
 - Validated by comparison at multiple scales
- *Ship emissions growth rates are faster than GDP*
- *Future emissions with IMO-compliant SECA will be greater than base year emissions in 2002.*

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Review of ARB Project Objectives

1. Provide spatially resolved baseline CMV inventory of emissions at regional scale
2. Evaluate port-based inventories for potential agreement, validation
3. Spatially forecast future CMV emissions
4. Forecast future-year ship emissions under potential SECA designation

*ARB focus on West Coast U.S. coastlines;
SECA Team focus ... North America*

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Integrating top-down & bottom-up: Linking GIS with nonroad modeling

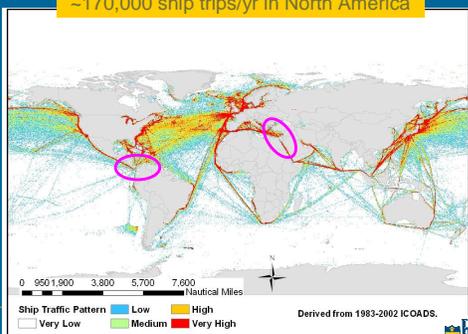
- We use 20 years of data to define (global) network
- We have “complete” North American data for port arrivals and departures & data for individual ships
- GIS tools are now sophisticated enough to assign trips to a network of routes
- We then follow “best-practices” for inventory
- Addresses major critique of top-down results
- Remaining limitations similar to regional studies



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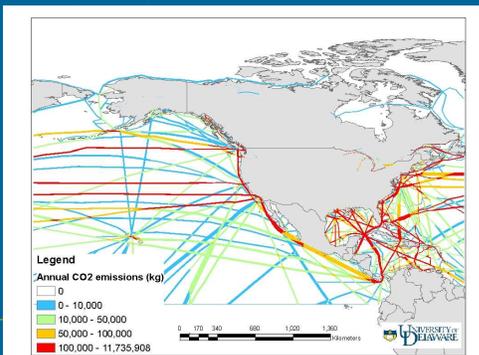
Building Empirical Network

~9000 segments & ~1700 ports
~170,000 ship trips/yr in North America



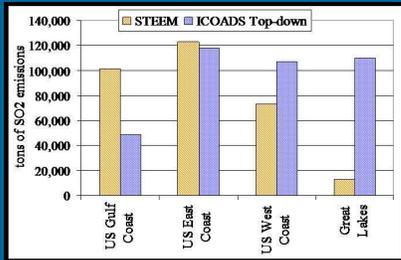
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Base year 2002 inventory: applied network model (STEEM), activity based methods for “all” NA traffic



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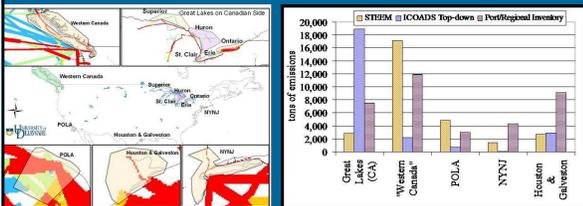
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Forecasting North America CMV emissions

Task 3 Forecast how baseline emissions may change in future years.

Task 4 Forecast future-year ship emissions under a potential IMO-compliant SECA equal to or less than 1.5% S by weight.

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Critical freight forecasting questions

- What are freight energy and activity patterns?
 - STEEM provides baseline (Tasks 1 and 2)
- What is forecast trend in energy needed?
- Where is future freight activity be located?

- Each involves uncertainty and bounding
 - May be validated with some independence
- Emerging convergence on current baseline
 - Improving spatial allocation of better estimates
- Continuing work on future usage and location
 - Modal analyses need integration and coupling

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Forecasting: a suite of options

- Follow national methods, growth factors for each vessel type
- Look at port-specific growth rates and consider ways to blend (weighted average, straight average, etc.)
- Develop detailed stories (scenarios) or extrapolate from past
- Look at trade routes, within GIS context
 - Route-specific growth rates
 - Enables more explicit forecasting for power, etc.
 - Could be adapted into a modeling tool

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Premises from which to forecast freight

Choosing the Growth Proxy

- Emission factors units: g/kWh or kg/tonne fuel
 - Average emissions factors are 0th order proxies
- Emissions \approx power or fuel (1st order)
 - Vessel activity (load, speed, hrs) \approx installed power (fuel rate)
 - $Work\ done = P \cdot t = \eta \cdot m \cdot v^2$ = mass and speed of movement
- Vessel size and/or speed is less direct (2nd order)
 - Size of ship \approx power, but modified by hull design and ballast
 - Number of ship visits \approx speed, but modified by route logistics
- Cargo throughput is less direct still (3rd order)
 - Cargo (tons) $\approx f(\text{power, size, speed})$, modified by capacity loaded
- Other proxies include: TEUs, GDP, other modes, \$ value, etc.
 - All poorer predictors of emissions than power-based

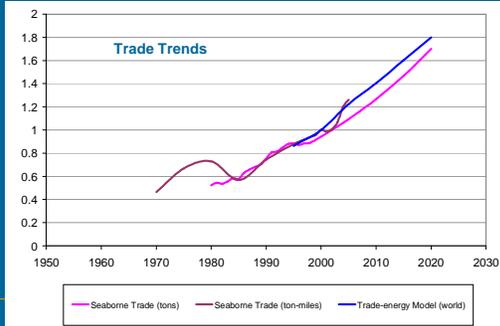
We use 1st order indicators of emissions growth

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Comparison and Validation

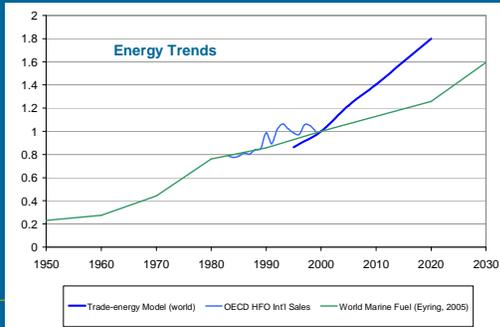
- Define the forecast domain broadly through multiple perspectives on freight and economy
- Consider first principles: work-energy relationship
- Recognize heterogeneity at all scales
- Look for surprise, avoid overconfidence

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 ... starting with trade and energy



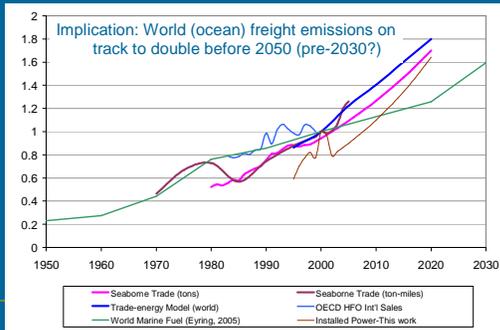
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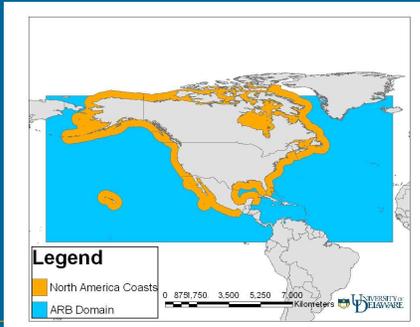
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Results and Insights

- Produced 2010 and 2020 forecast inventories
 - Used one North American growth rate for all regions
 - Adjusted for IMO-compliant NOx fleet introductions
 - No change assumed in average sulfur for BAU fuel
 - Power-based extrapolation assumes current improvements in efficiency continue without substantial changes in BAU
- Considered hypothetical SECA set to EEZ default
- Compared IMO-SECA future to BAU future
 - Compared also with base year results

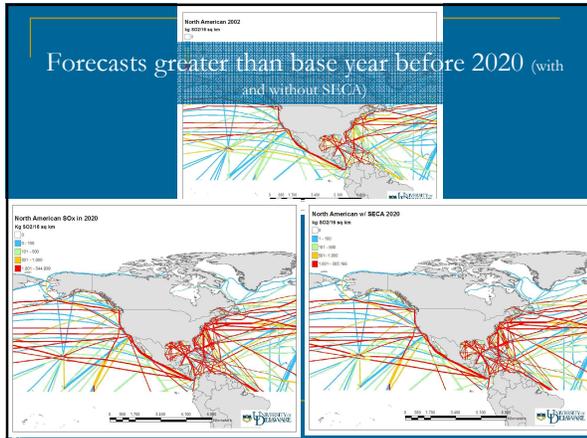
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Model domain and hypothetical SECA

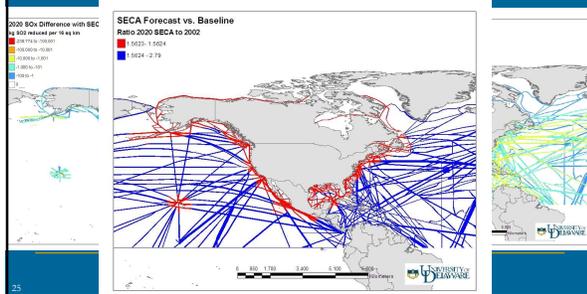


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Forecasts greater than base year before 2020 (with and without SECA)

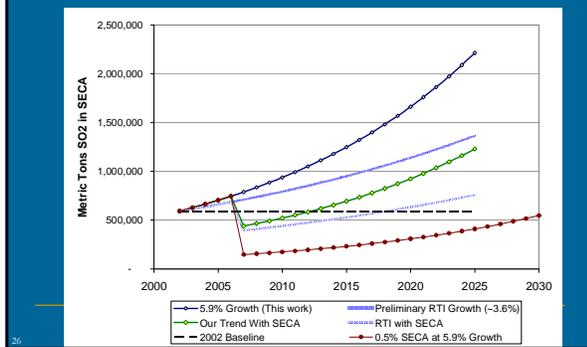


IMO-compliant SECA (1.5% S) reduces future emissions from BAU ... but not compared to base year



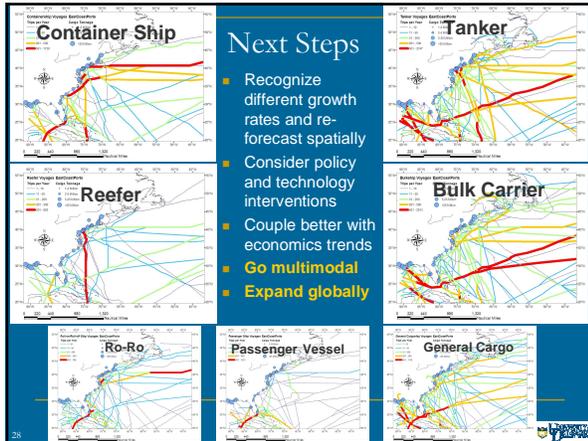
Robust insight, even using other growth rates

Different growth rates simply change *when* this is forecast to occur



Uncertainty and bounding

- *Base-year uncertainty* – addressed in Tasks 1, 2
- *Uncertainty in trend extrapolation* – bounded through validation and comparison discussion
- *Improvements could address*
 - Incorporation of additional detail for change drivers
 - Incorporation of signals to modify technological change
 - Inclusion of fleet response to potential action
- *Spatial limitations and opportunities for improvement*



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