

Development of Assessment tools to support climate change mitigation and adaptation actions of local governments



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MITIGATION

Quantification Tool for Designing Low Carbon City Scenarios

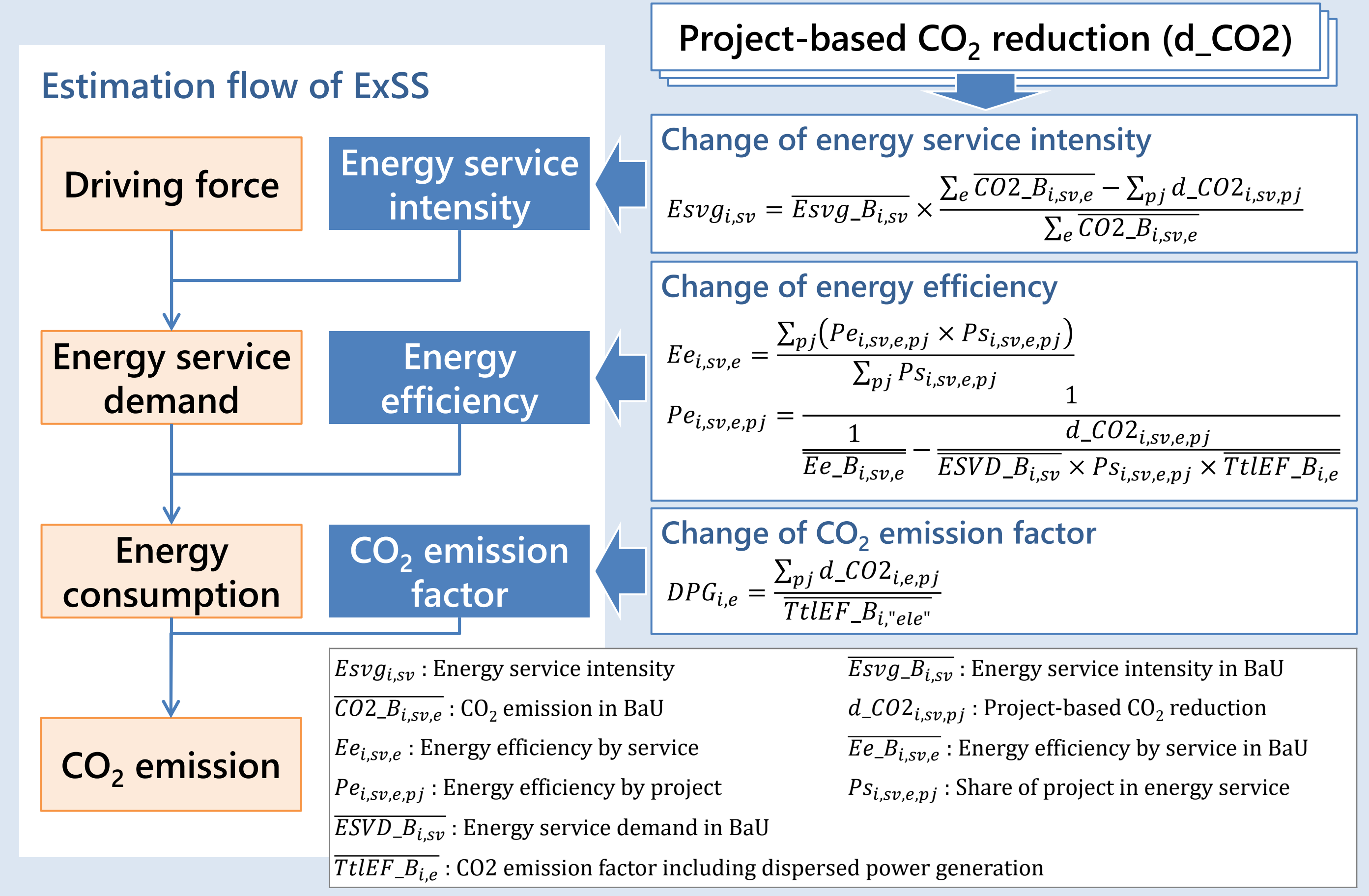
Background

It is desirable to reduce GHG emission harmonized with economic growth and quality of life. However it is not easy for cities to take actions for it. A low carbon society (LCS) scenario is a kind of guides to show how to realize an attractive society with low/no GHG emission in future. We developed a quantification tool to assess LCS scenario for cities.

Methodology

Future scenarios are assessed by integration of top-down method using Extended Snapshot tool (ExSS) and bottom-up project-based method. First, LCS projects are listed and CO₂ reduction by each project is calculated. Concrete projects are easy to imagine. Then the reductions by project are converted to input parameters of ExSS. ExSS estimates CO₂ emissions and reductions inclusively without duplication among projects.

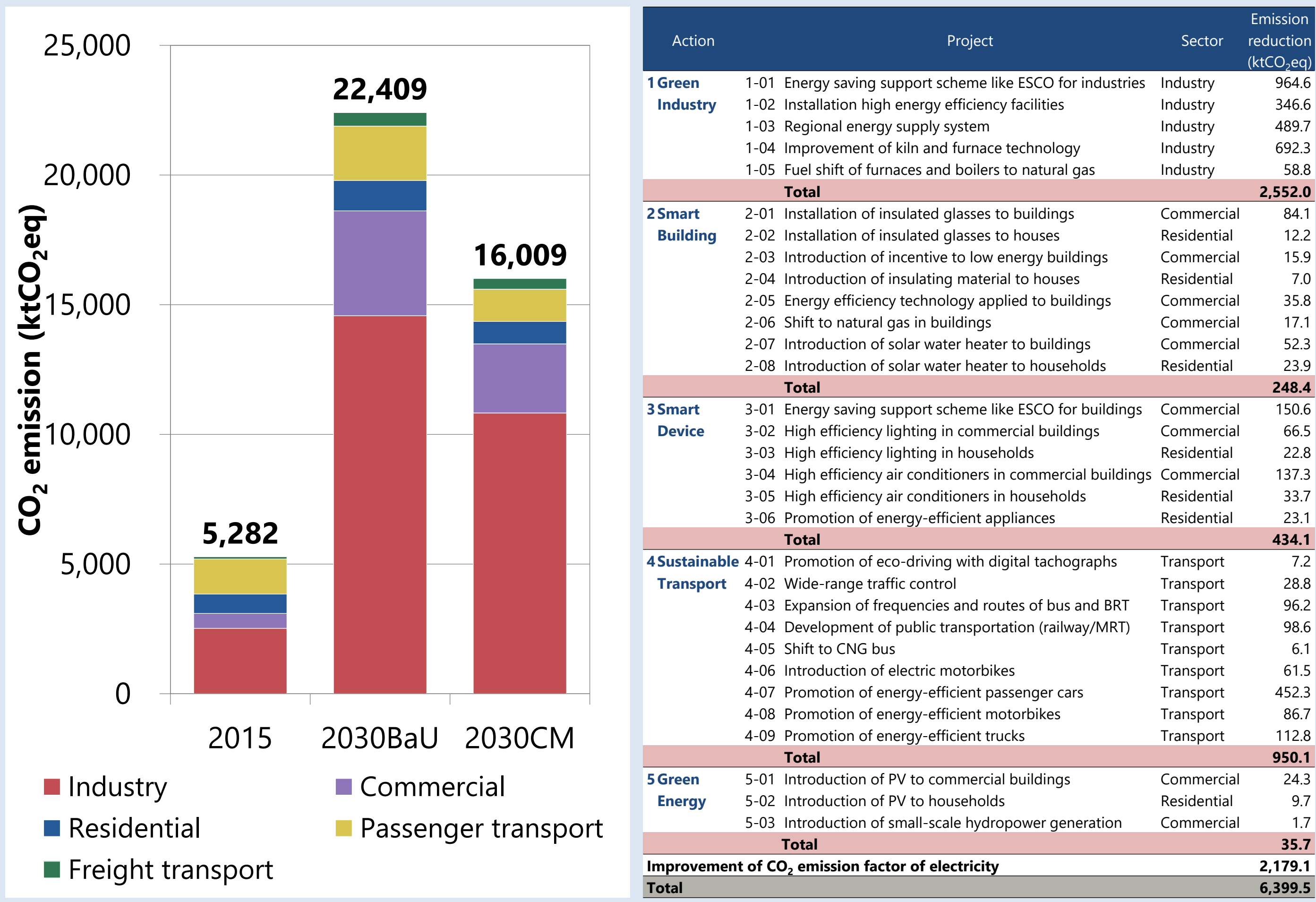
Basic idea of projecting CO₂ emission in LCS scenario



Case study in Semarang, Indonesia

We applied this methodology to Semarang city in Indonesia. CO₂ emission in two scenarios, which are Business as Usual (BaU) and Countermeasure (CM) scenario, were estimated. In addition, CO₂ emission reduction by project in CM scenario are identified.

Estimated CO₂ emission and reduction by project in Semarang



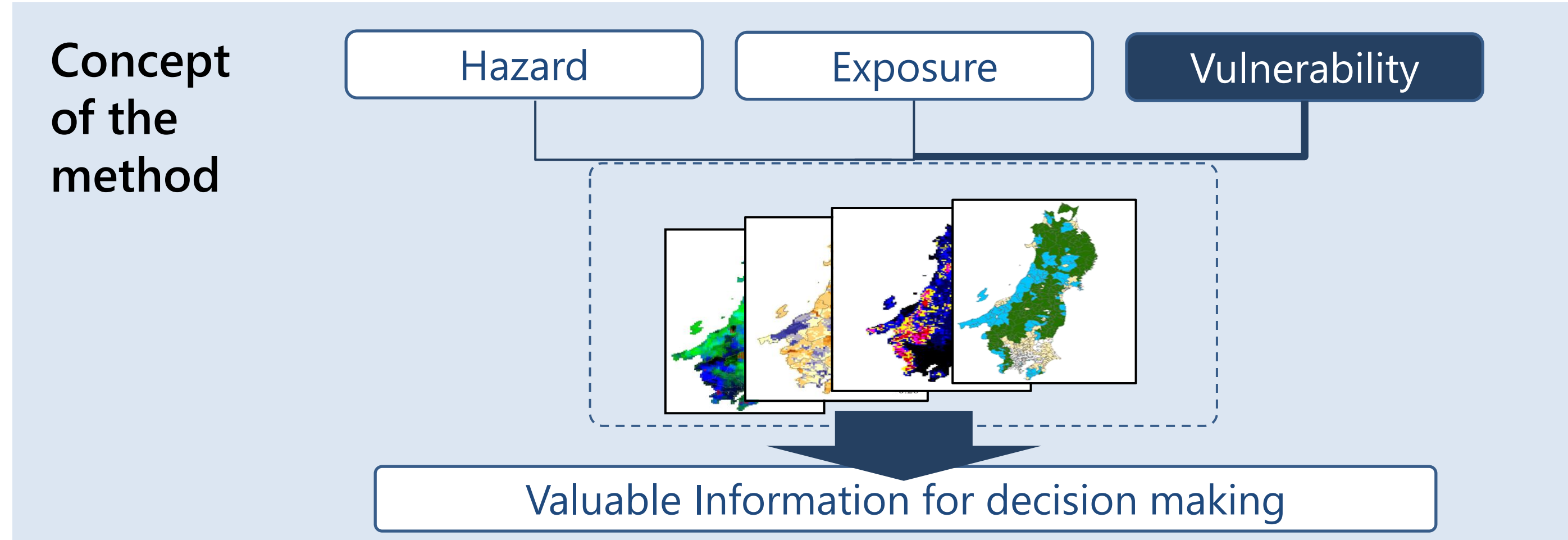
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ADAPTATION

Assessment Method of Regional Vulnerability Regarding to Impact of Climate Change

Background

In Japan, many research projects have been conducted and knowledge regarding to impact of climate change and adaptation measures have been accumulated. Although those knowledge are created by experts on several sectors, it is said the problem is that those research projects mainly have focused on "Hazard" and "Exposure", and that regional "Vulnerability" have not been taken into account sufficiently.
With the basis of existing research, this research firstly structures the concept of vulnerability, and secondly identifies the relationship between regional vulnerability and impact of climate change and then develops the assessment method of regional vulnerability. Finally, using the result of vulnerability assessment with the data of hazard and exposure, this research evaluates regional risk on impact of climate change and creates information for decision making regarding to adaptation.



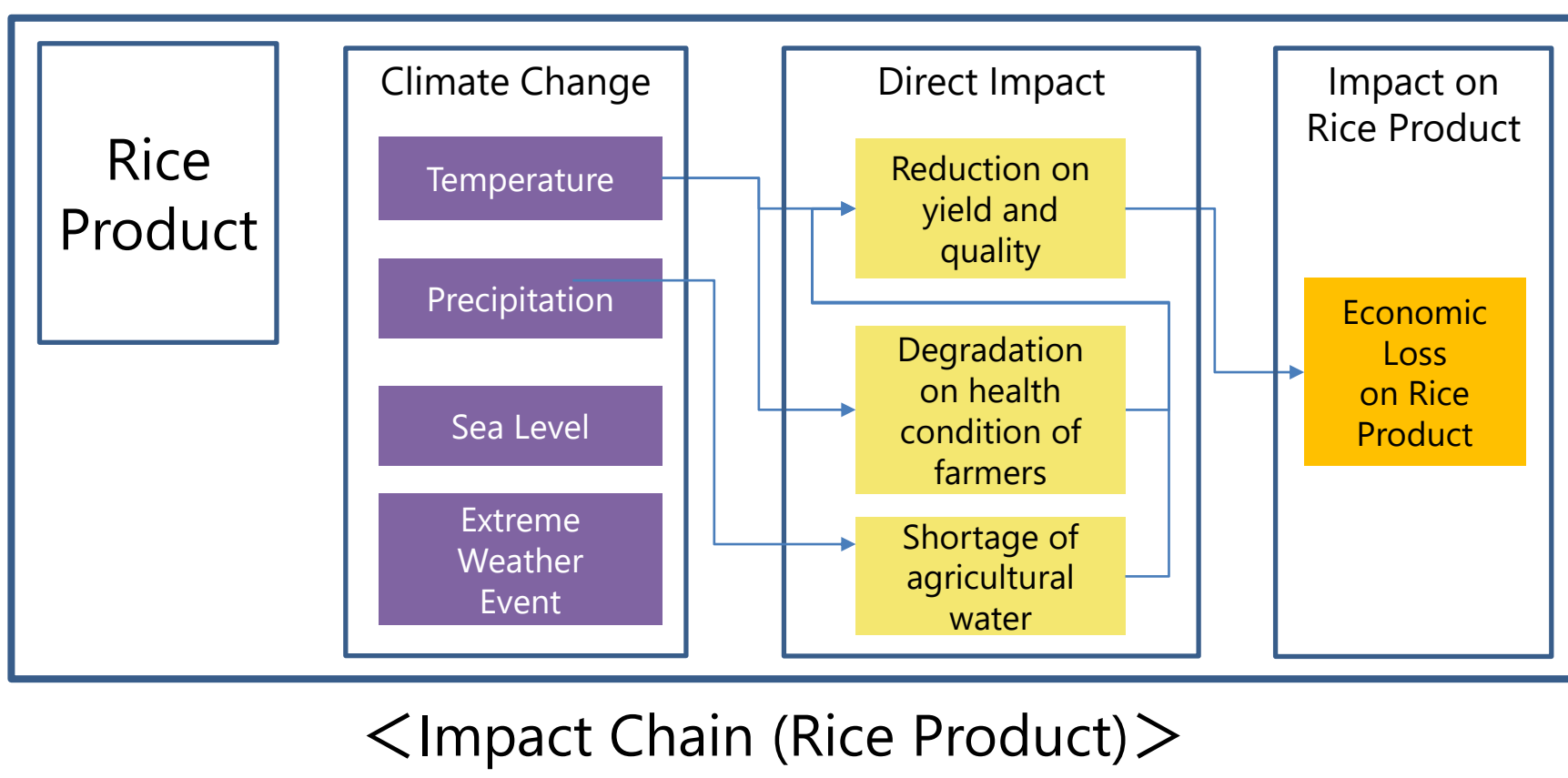
Methodology

Toward vulnerability assessment, it is needed to identify indicators of regional vulnerability. In this research we have two approach. Firstly, this research has conducted literature research about vulnerability in Japan and all over the world broadly and collected the indicators suggested by those research and more than 200 indicators have been assembled. Secondly, this research have selected and allocated indicators collected by approach 1 with specific logic mentioned later.

More than 200 indicators have been collected

Current State and Direction

As the logic of selecting and allocating mentioned, this research employs Impact Chain(giz(2014): The Vulnerability Sourcebook). Firstly with Impact Chain, we identifies the direct impact of climate change in each sector as the image of Impact chain. Secondly we gets the exposures which would suffer from those impact, thirdly decides indicators of regional vulnerability as the charts of vulnerability indicators. As the next step, we will identify the indicators in other sectors, for example disaster and water resource, and collect regarding data, then try to order the priorities of indicators with some measure including expert judge.



Impact	Direct Impact	Exposure	Vulnerability	Vulnerability Indicators	Priority (Example)
Economic loss on rice product	Reduction on yield and quality	Rice itself	Sensitivity	Percentage of area which cropped by the rice of high-temperature-tolerant	100
			Adaptive Capacity	Condition of recognition by rice farmers on impact of climate change and adaptation measures	—
				Condition of development about the rice with high-temperature-tolerant	50
	Degradation on health condition of farmers	Farmers of rice	Sensitivity	Condition of implementation of adaptation measures	50
				Percentage of aged person in rice farmers	100
			Adaptive Capacity	Mutual condition of farmers	50
				Adaptive Capacity	Condition of recognition on countermeasures on heat-related illness for rice farmers
			Adaptive Capacity		Condition of implementation of adaptation measures on heat-related illness for rice farmers
				Shortage of agricultural water	Agricultural water of rice
Adaptive Capacity	Condition of recognition by rice farmers on impact of climate change and adaptation measures	—			
	Condition of development about efficient management method of agricultural water	50			
			Adaptive Capacity	Condition of implementation of adaptation measures on efficient management method of agricultural water	50

< Vulnerability Indicators (Rice Product) >

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