FREIDA (<u>Framework of Resources for modeling Energy/Environmental/Economic</u> <u>Impacts of Development and A</u>dvancements) in Ports

A framework for organizing data to inform coastal disaster management/pollution mitigation strategies, and an illustrative energy sector analysis

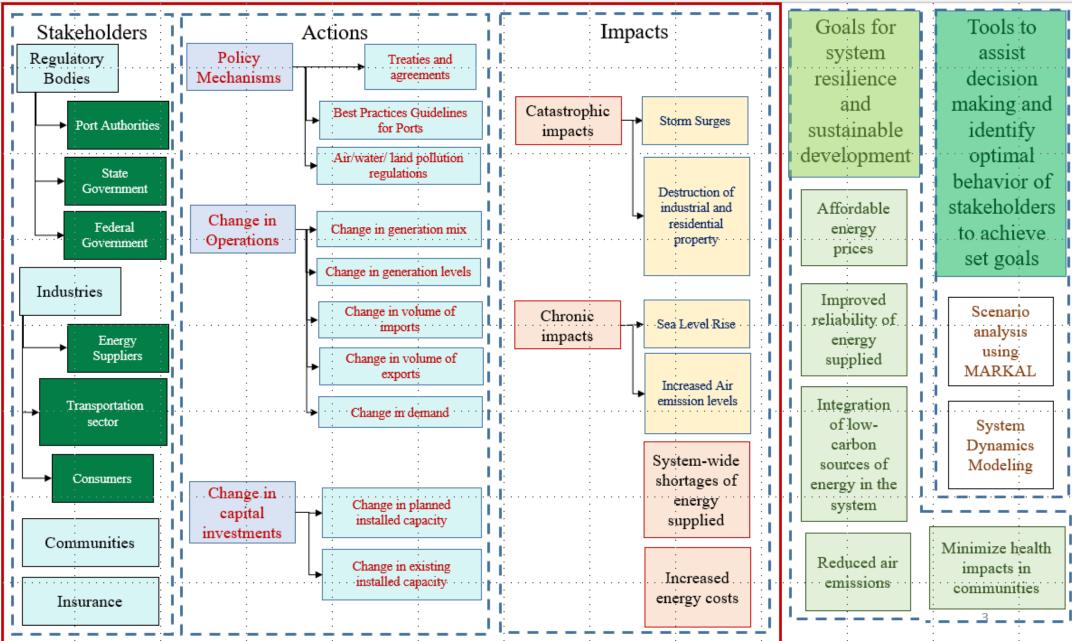
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Need for Port Related Data Frameworks

- Roughly 50% of the US national GDP is attributed to socio-economic activities in coastal regions
 - Port system operations and related industries constitute a majority of the industrial activities occurring in the US
- Port activities are complex in nature and are interconnected with the social, political, economic and environmental aspects of the coastal communities
- The 'FREIDA in Ports' framework is aimed to enable stakeholders to organize data resources comprehensively
 - Resilience and disaster management strategies for humanitarian applications are key areas where this framework could be used

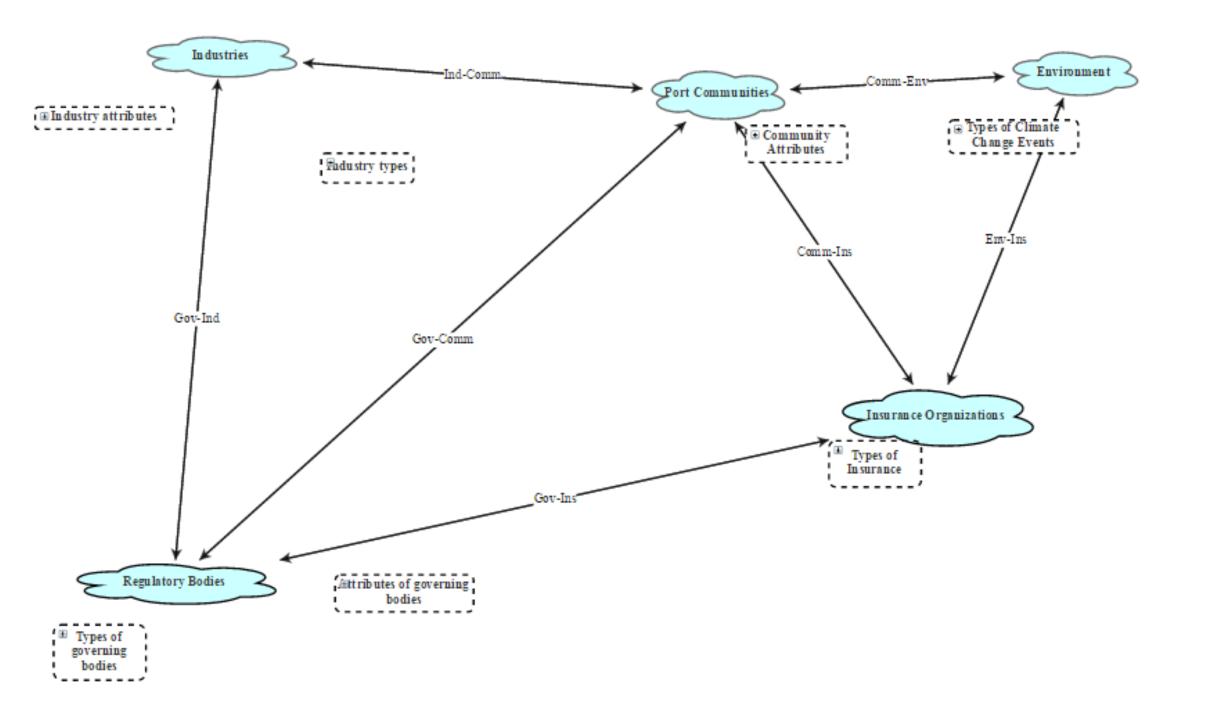
Building Blocks



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Opportunities for Humanitarian Applications

- Instances of opportunities for application of the 'FREIDA in Ports' framework for disaster management/pollution mitigation in ports:
 - Infrastructure and operations planning strategy to improve resilience to extreme weather events
 - Example: Investments in diversified energy system portfolio
 - Water and wastewater infrastructure management strategy following an extreme weather event
 - Example: Access to clean drinking water is a critical service that could be compromised during storm events
 - Waste and debris management strategy following an extreme weather event
 - Example: a wide variety and quantity of debris generated that could easily disrupt the waste collection network and needs to be managed effectively
 - Pollution mitigation strategy
 - Example: Investment in low carbon energy generation and transportation technologies



Energy System modeling with MARKAL

- Ports play a critical role in ensuring reliable and economic operation of US energy systems:
 - $-\sim 50\%$ of US crude oil is imported
 - 75% of crude oil shipped via ports in South-East US
 - Ports ship majority of US natural gas exports both to international and domestic customers
 - In spite of US being a net exporter of coal, southern and eastern states still import cheap coal from South America

Illustrative Energy Sector Analysis

- A variety of drivers including the Panama Canal expansion expected to change global and local energy market operations:
 - Change the flow of energy commodities through ports
 - Price and supply of energy inputs to ports operations and associated multimodal activities expected to change
- Unplanned port operations and expansions could result in:
 - Increased levels of pollution
 - Chronic and catastrophic impacts due to extreme weather events along the coast
 - Disruption in port activities that create a feedback loop with the Energy sector

Energy System modeling with MARKAL

- Preliminary study:
 - Increased frequency of extreme weather events can cause fuel shortages
 - This is modeled in US EPA's MArket ALlocation (MARKAL) model by introducing 75% price spikes to natural gas, oil and coal along the Gulf of Mexico and US East Coast



EPAUS9r – Regional resolution

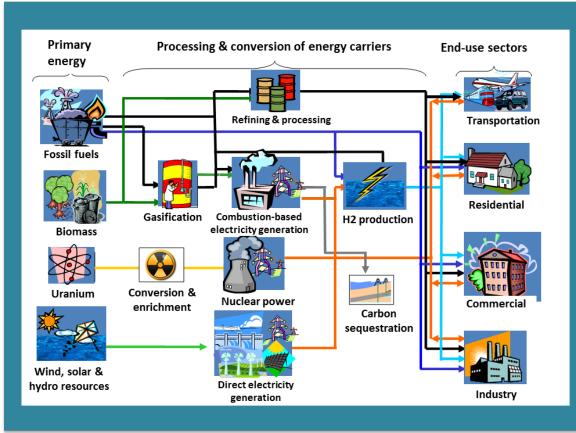
Energy System Model: MARKAL

• Bottom-up and technology-rich

- Captures the full US energy system from energy resource supply/extraction technologies to end-use technologies in all sectors
- 9 region representation (US Census divisions)
- Energy technologies (existing and future techs) are characterized by cost, efficiency, fuel inputs, emissions
- Technologies are connected by energy flows

• Optimization

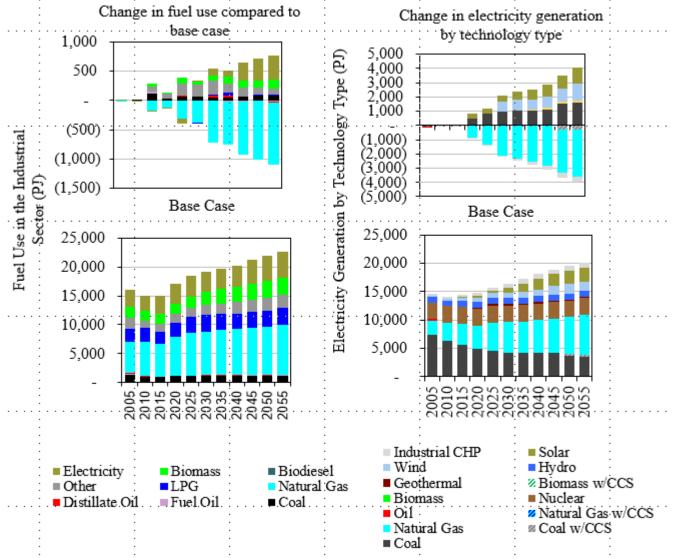
- The model picks the "best" way (lowest system-wide cost) to meet energy demands choosing from the full "menu" of energy resources and technologies
- The model makes these choices from 2005 to 2055, giving us a snapshot of possible future energy mixes



• Emissions and impacts

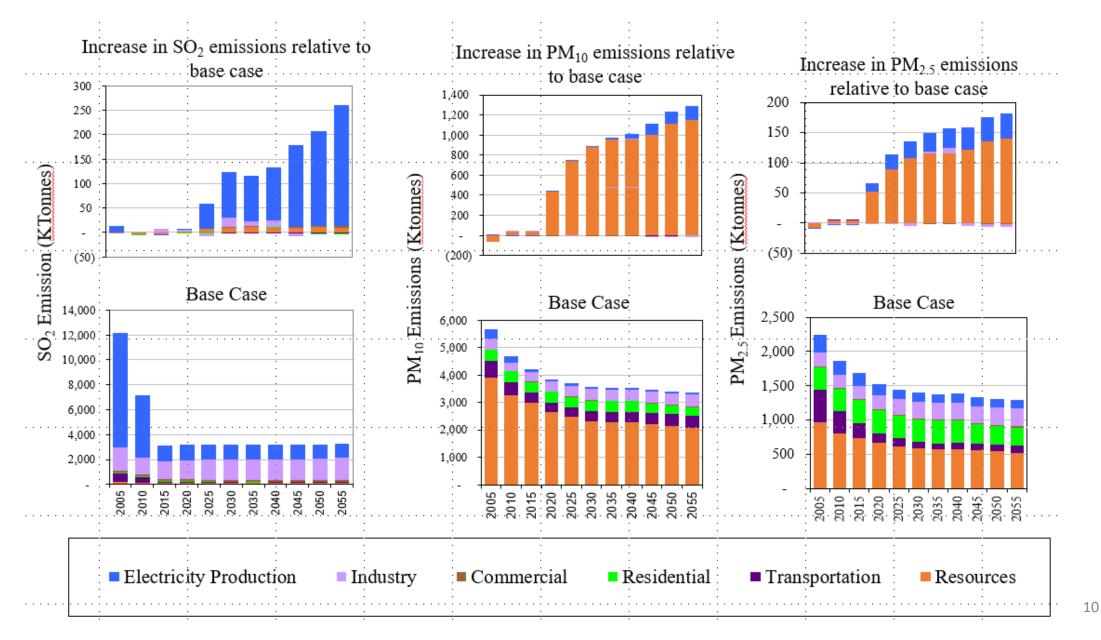
- Full air and GHG emissions characterization: NO_x, SO₂, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, CO, VOC, CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, BC, OC, water use for electricity generation
- Major emissions standards and regulations are included in the baseline, and additional policies can be modeled

Fuel Use by Sector and Electricity Prices



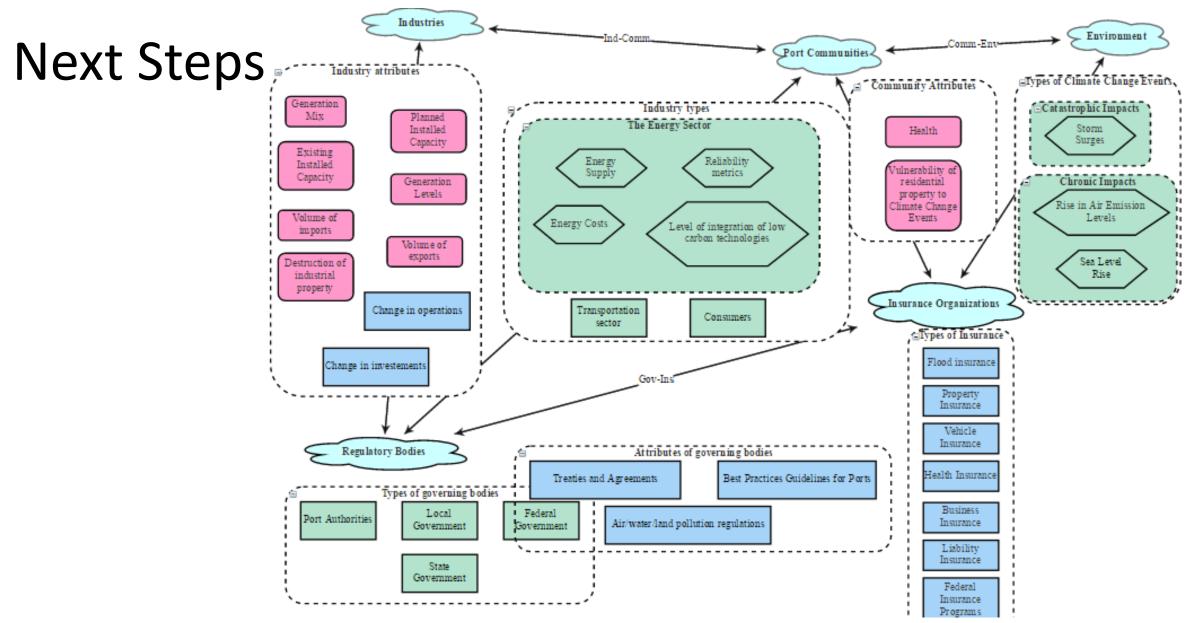
- In the industrial sector, high fuel prices lead to switching from natural gas to electricity and biomass use
- Future electric power generation mix consists of a larger fraction of existing coal and new renewable power than new natural gas
- The commercial, residential and transportation sectors showed less than 1% change in fuel mix used
- 25-45% increase in electricity prices relative to the base case
- Increased renewable power generation results in corresponding higher investments

Results: Emissions



Next Steps

- The impacts of coastal extreme weather events can be significantly impacted by
 - uncertainties around specific policies of individual port authorities
 - technical advancements and social paradigms of the future.
- MARKAL based scenario analyses to be performed for different set of energy futures



Systems Dynamic modeling technique is being explored to better model stakeholder behavior under various energy futures

Questions?

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U.S. EPA MARKAL Regional Database: EPAUS9r

- Coverage: U.S. energy system
- Spatial resolution: Nine Census divisions
- **Modeling horizon**: 2005 and 2010 are calibration time periods, while 2015 through 2055 the model selects technology penetrations based on optimization
- **Sectors**: Electricity production, transportation, industrial, residential, commercial, biomass
- Main data source: Annual Energy Outlook (2014)
- **Pollutants**: NO_x, SO₂, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, CO, VOC, CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, BC, OC, water use for electricity generation
- Maintenance: Updated and calibrated to Annual Energy Outlook every two years; housed at EPA/ORD; publicly available

