

# carbon\_model.rb

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## Flight carbon model

This model is used by [Brighter Planet's carbon emission web service](#) to estimate the **greenhouse gas emissions of passenger air travel**.

### Timeframe and date

The model estimates the emissions that occur during a particular `timeframe`. To do this it needs to know the `date` on which the flight occurred. For example, if the `timeframe` is January 2010, a flight that occurred on January 5, 2010 will have emissions but a flight that occurred on February 1, 2010 will not.

### Calculations

The final estimate is the result of the **calculations** detailed below. These calculations are performed in reverse order, starting with the last calculation listed and finishing with the `emission` calculation. Each calculation is named according to the value it returns.

### Methods

To accomodate varying client input, each calculation may have one or more **methods**. These are listed under each calculation in order from most to least preferred. Each method is named according to the values it requires. If any of these values is not available the method will be ignored. If all the methods for a calculation are ignored, the calculation will not return a value. “Default” methods do not require any values, and so a calculation with a default method will always return a value.

```
require 'leap'
require 'timeframe'
require 'date'
require 'weighted_average'
require 'builder'
require 'flight/carbon_model/fuel_use_equation'

module BrighterPlanet
  module Flight
    module CarbonModel
      def self.included(base)
        base.decide :emission, :with => :characteristics do
```

## Standard compliance

Each method lists any established calculation standards with which it **complies**. When compliance with a standard is requested, all methods that do not comply with that standard are ignored. This means that any values a particular method requires will have been calculated using a compliant method, because those are the only methods available. If any value did not have a compliant method in its calculation then it would be undefined, and the current method would have been ignored.

## Collaboration

Contributions to this carbon model are actively encouraged and warmly welcomed. This library includes a comprehensive test suite to ensure that your changes do not cause regressions. All changes should include test coverage for new functionality. Please see [sniff](#), our emitter testing framework, for more information.

## Emission calculation

Returns the `emission` estimate in  $kg\ CO_2e$ . This is the passenger's share of the total flight emissions that occurred during the `timeframe`.

### Emission from fuel use, emission factor, freight share, passengers, multipliers, and date

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Checks whether the flight occurred during the `timeframe`

Multiplies `fuel use` ( $kg$ ) by an `emission factor` ( $kg\ CO_2e / kg\ fuel$ ) and an `aviation multiplier` to give total flight emissions in  $kg\ CO_2e$ .

```
committee :emission do

  quorum 'from fuel use, emission factor, freight share, passengers,
multipliers, and date',
  :needs => [:fuel_use, :emission_factor, :freight_share, :passengers,
:seat_class_multiplier, :aviation_multiplier, :date],

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics,
timeframe|

    date = characteristics[:date].is_a?(Date) ?
      characteristics[:date] :
      Date.parse(characteristics[:date].to_s)

    if timeframe.include? date

      characteristics[:fuel_use] * characteristics[:emission_factor] *
characteristics[:aviation_multiplier] *
```

Multiplies by  $(1 - \text{freight\_share})$  to take out emissions attributed to freight cargo and mail, leaving emissions attributed to passengers and their baggage

Divides by the number of `passengers` and multiplies by a `seat class multiplier` to give `emission` for the passenger

If the flight did not occur during the `timeframe`, `emission` is zero

## Emission factor calculation

Returns the `emission factor` in  $kg\ CO_2 / kg\ fuel$ .

### Emission factor from fuel

Complies: GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the `fuel`'s `emission factor` ( $kg\ CO_2 / l$ ) and divides by its `density` ( $kg / l$ ) to give  $kg\ CO_2 / kg\ fuel$ .

## Aviation multiplier calculation

Returns the `aviation multiplier`. This approximates the extra climate impact of emissions high in the atmosphere.

### Default aviation multiplier

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses an `aviation multiplier` of **2.0** after [Kollmuss and Crimmins](#)

```
(1 - characteristics[:freight_share]) /

    characteristics[:passengers] *
characteristics[:seat_class_multiplier]
    else

        0
    end
end
end

committee :emission_factor do

    quorum 'from fuel',
        :needs => :fuel,

        :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

            characteristics[:fuel].co2_emission_factor /
characteristics[:fuel].density
        end
    end

    committee :aviation_multiplier do

        quorum 'default',

            :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

                2.0
            end
        end
    end
end
```

(2009).

## Fuel use calculation

Returns the flight's total `fuel use` in *kg*.

### Fuel use from fuel per segment and segments per trip and trips

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Multiplies the `fuel per segment` (*kg*) by the `segments per trip` and the number of `trips` to give *kg*.

## Fuel per segment calculation

Returns the `fuel per segment` in *kg*.

### Fuel per segment from adjusted distance per segment and fuel use coefficients

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses a third-order polynomial equation to calculate the fuel used per segment:

$$(m_3 * d^3) + (m_2 * d^2) + (m_1 * d) + \text{endpoint fuel}$$

Where *d* is the `adjusted distance per segment` and *m*<sub>3</sub>, *m*<sub>2</sub>, *m*<sub>1</sub>, and endpoint fuel are the `fuel use coefficients`.

## Seat class multiplier calculation

```
end
end

committee :fuel_use do

  quorum 'from fuel per segment and segments per trip and trips',
    :needs => [:fuel_per_segment, :segments_per_trip, :trips],

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      characteristics[:fuel_per_segment] *
      characteristics[:segments_per_trip].to_f * characteristics[:trips].to_f
    end
  end

  committee :fuel_per_segment do

    quorum 'from adjusted distance per segment and fuel use coefficients',
      :needs => [:adjusted_distance_per_segment, :fuel_use_coefficients],

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        characteristics[:fuel_use_coefficients].m3.to_f *
        characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment].to_f ** 3 +
        characteristics[:fuel_use_coefficients].m2.to_f *
        characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment].to_f ** 2 +
        characteristics[:fuel_use_coefficients].m1.to_f *
        characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment].to_f +
        characteristics[:fuel_use_coefficients].b.to_f
      end
    end

    committee :seat_class_multiplier do
```

Returns the `seat class multiplier`. This reflects the amount of cabin space occupied by the passenger's seat.

## Seat class multiplier from seat class and distance

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the seat class multiplier based on `distance` and `seat class`.

## Seat class multiplier from distance

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the seat class multiplier based on `distance`.

```
quorum 'from seat class name and adjusted distance per segment',
      :needs => [:seat_class_name, :adjusted_distance_per_segment],

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        if characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment] < 244.06

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Domestic",
            "#{characteristics[:seat_class_name]}").multiplier
            elsif characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment] < 863.93

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Short haul",
            "#{characteristics[:seat_class_name]}").multiplier
            else

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Long haul",
            "#{characteristics[:seat_class_name]}").multiplier
            end
          end

quorum 'from adjusted distance per segment',
      :needs => :adjusted_distance_per_segment,

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        if characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment] < 244.06

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Domestic",
            "unknown").multiplier
            elsif characteristics[:adjusted_distance_per_segment] < 863.93

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Short haul",
            "unknown").multiplier
            else

          FlightSeatClass.find_by_distance_class_name_and_seat_class_name("Long haul",
            "unknown").multiplier
```

## Seat class name calculation

Returns the client-input seat class name.

## Adjusted distance per segment calculation

Returns the `adjusted distance per segment` in *nautical miles*.

### Adjusted distance per segment from adjusted distance and segments per trip

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Divides the `adjusted distance` (*nautical miles*) by `segments per trip` to give *nautical miles*.

## Adjusted distance calculation

Returns the `adjusted distance` in *nautical miles*. The `adjusted distance` accounts for factors that increase the actual distance traveled by real world flights.

### Adjusted distance from distance, route inefficiency factor, and dogleg factor

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Multiplies `distance` (*nautical miles*) by a `route inefficiency factor` and a `dogleg factor` to give *nautical miles*.

```
end
end
end

committee :adjusted_distance_per_segment do

  quorum 'from adjusted distance and segments per trip',
    :needs => [:adjusted_distance, :segments_per_trip],

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      characteristics[:adjusted_distance] /
characteristics[:segments_per_trip]
      end
    end

    committee :adjusted_distance do

      quorum 'from distance, route inefficiency factor, and dogleg factor',
        :needs => [:distance, :route_inefficiency_factor, :dogleg_factor],

        :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

          characteristics[:distance] *
characteristics[:route_inefficiency_factor] * characteristics[:dogleg_factor]
          end
        end
      end
    end
  end
end
```

## Distance calculation

Returns the flight's base `distance` in *nautical miles*.

## Distance from airports

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the great circle distance between the `origin airport` and `destination airport` and converts from *km* to *nautical miles*.

## Distance from distance estimate

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Converts the `distance_estimate` in *km* to *nautical miles*.

## Distance from distance class

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the `distance_class` `distance` and converts from *km* to *nautical miles*.

```
committee :distance do

  quorum 'from airports',
    :needs => [:origin_airport, :destination_airport],

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      if characteristics[:origin_airport].latitude and
        characteristics[:origin_airport].longitude and
        characteristics[:destination_airport].latitude and
        characteristics[:destination_airport].longitude

        characteristics[:origin_airport].distance_to(characteristics[:destination_airport],
          :units => :kms).kilometres.to :nautical_miles
      end
    end

  quorum 'from distance estimate',
    :needs => :distance_estimate,

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      characteristics[:distance_estimate].kilometres.to :nautical_miles
    end

  quorum 'from distance class',
    :needs => :distance_class,

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      characteristics[:distance_class].distance.kilometres.to
:nautical_miles
    end
end
```

## Distance from cohort

This should NOT be prioritized over distance estimate or distance class because cohort here never has both airports

Calculates the average `distance` of the `cohort` segments, weighted by their passengers, and converts from *km* to *nautical miles*. Ensure that `distance > 0`

## Default distance

Calculates the average `distance` of all segments in the T-100 database, weighted by their passengers, and converts from *km* to *nautical miles*.

## Route inefficiency factor calculation

Returns the `route inefficiency factor`. This is a measure of how much farther real world flights travel than the great circle distance between their origin and destination. It accounts for factors like flight path routing around controlled airspace and circling while waiting for clearance to land.

## Route inefficiency factor from country

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the `route inefficiency factor` for the country in which the flight occurs. FIXME: why do we always end up in this quorum even when country is nil?

## Default route inefficiency factor

```
quorum 'from cohort', :needs => :cohort do |characteristics|
```

```
    distance = characteristics[:cohort].weighted_average(:distance,  
:weighted_by => :passengers).kilometres.to(:nautical_miles)  
    distance > 0 ? distance : nil  
  end
```

```
quorum 'default' do
```

```
    FlightSegment.fallback.distance.kilometres.to :nautical_miles  
  end  
end
```

```
committee :route_inefficiency_factor do
```

```
quorum 'from country',  
  :needs => :country,
```

```
  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|
```

```
    if characteristics[:country].present?  
      characteristics[:country].flight_route_inefficiency_factor  
    end  
  end
```

```
quorum 'default',
```



**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses a `route inefficiency factor` of **10%** based on [Kettunen et al. \(2005\)](#)

## Dogleg factor calculation

Returns the `dogleg factor`. This is a measure of how far out of the way the average layover is compared to a direct flight.

### Dogleg factor from segments per trip

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Assumes that each layover increases the total flight distance by **25%**.

## Distance estimate calculation

Returns the client-input `distance estimate` in *km*.

## Distance class calculation

Returns the client-input [distance class](#).

## Fuel use coefficients calculation

Returns the `fuel use coefficients`. These are the coefficients of the third-order polynomial equation that describes aircraft fuel use.

### Fuel use coefficients from cohort

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

```
:complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

  Country.fallback.flight_route_inefficiency_factor
end

committee :dogleg_factor do

  quorum 'from segments per trip',
    :needs => :segments_per_trip,

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

    1.25 ** (characteristics[:segments_per_trip] - 1)
  end
end

committee :fuel_use_coefficients do

  quorum 'from cohort',
    :needs => :cohort,

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|
```

Calculates the passenger-weighted average fuel use equation for all the flight segments in the cohort

Initialize a blank fuel use equation for this flight and set a passengers counter to zero

For each flight segment in the cohort...

Since we're pulling each member of a cohort in Ruby, rather than just running statistics on the database server level, we're going to cheat a little more

For each aircraft the flight segment refers to...

If the aircraft is associated with a valid fuel use equation, add that fuel use equation to an array

Otherwise, if the aircraft's class contains a valid fuel use equation, add the aircraft class to an array

Combine the valid fuel use equations and aircraft classes to get an array of equation objects

If we found at least one valid fuel use equation...

Average each coefficient across all the valid fuel use equations, multiply that

```
flight_segments = characteristics[:cohort]

fue = FuelUseEquation.new(0, 0, 0, 0)
cumulative_passengers = 0

fs_aircraft_cache = {}

flight_segments.each do |fs|

    fs_aircraft = (fs_aircraft_cache[fs.aircraft_description] ||=
fs.aircraft.to_a)

    fuel_use_equations = []
    aircraft_classes = []

    fs_aircraft.each do |a|

        if a.fuel_use_equation &&
a.fuel_use_equation.valid_fuel_use_equation?
            fuel_use_equations.push(a.fuel_use_equation)

        elsif a.aircraft_class &&
a.aircraft_class.valid_fuel_use_equation?
            aircraft_classes.push(a.aircraft_class)
        end
    end

    equation_objects = fuel_use_equations + aircraft_classes

    unless equation_objects.empty?

        fue.m3 += (equation_objects.sum(&:m3) /
```

average by the flight segment's passengers, and add the resulting value to the overall flight fuel use equation

Add the flight segment's passengers to our passengers counter

We don't need this cache any more, so we'll help the GC by clearing it

Check to make sure at least one of the segments had passengers and a valid fuel use equation

Divide each coefficient in our overall fuel use equation by the passengers counter and return the result

## Fuel use coefficients from aircraft

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the [aircraft's](#) `[fuel use coefficients]`.

```
equation_objects.length) * fs.passengers
      fue.m2 += (equation_objects.sum(&:m2) /
equation_objects.length) * fs.passengers
      fue.m1 += (equation_objects.sum(&:m1) /
equation_objects.length) * fs.passengers
      fue.b += (equation_objects.sum(&:b) / equation_objects.length)
* fs.passengers

      cumulative_passengers += fs.passengers
    end
  end

  fs_aircraft_cache.clear

  if cumulative_passengers > 0

    fue.m3 /= cumulative_passengers
    fue.m2 /= cumulative_passengers
    fue.m1 /= cumulative_passengers
    fue.b /= cumulative_passengers
    fue
  end
end

quorum 'from aircraft',
  :needs => :aircraft,

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

    if equation = characteristics[:aircraft].fuel_use_equation
      fuel_use = equation.valid_fuel_use_equation? ?
FuelUseEquation.new(equation.m3, equation.m2, equation.m1, equation.b) : nil
      fuel_use
    end
  end
end
```

## Fuel use coefficients from aircraft class

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the [aircraft class](#)'s `fuel use coefficients`.

## Default fuel use coefficients

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average `fuel use coefficients` of the aircraft used by [all segments in the T-100 database](#), weighted by the segment passengers.

## Fuel calculation

Returns the `fuel`.

## Fuel from client input

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input [fuel](#).

## Default fuel

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Assumes the flight uses **Jet Fuel**.

```
quorum 'from aircraft class',
      :needs => :aircraft_class,

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        ac = characteristics[:aircraft_class]
        fuel_use = ac.valid_fuel_use_equation? ? FuelUseEquation.new(ac.m3,
ac.m2, ac.m1, ac.b) : nil
        fuel_use
      end

quorum 'default',

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

        FuelUseEquation.new AircraftFuelUseEquation.fallback.m3,
AircraftFuelUseEquation.fallback.m2, AircraftFuelUseEquation.fallback.m1,
AircraftFuelUseEquation.fallback.b
      end

committee :fuel do

quorum 'default',

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

        Fuel.find_by_name 'Jet Fuel'
      end
```

## Passengers calculation

Returns the number of `passengers`.

### Passengers from seats and load factor

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Multiplies the number of `seats` by the `load_factor`.

## Seats calculation

Returns the number of `seats`.

### Seats from seats estimate

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses the client-input estimate of the number of `seats`.

### Seats from cohort

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average number of `seats` of the `cohort` segments, weighted by their passengers. Ensure that `seats` > 0

```
end

committee :passengers do

  quorum 'from seats and load factor',
    :needs => [:seats, :load_factor],

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      (characteristics[:seats] * characteristics[:load_factor]).round
    end
  end

  committee :seats do

    quorum 'from seats estimate',
      :needs => :seats_estimate,

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        characteristics[:seats_estimate] > 0 ?
        characteristics[:seats_estimate] : nil
      end

    quorum 'from cohort',
      :needs => :cohort,

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        seats =
        characteristics[:cohort].weighted_average(:seats_per_flight, :weighted_by =>
          :passengers)
      end
    end
  end
end
```

## Seats from aircraft

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the [aircraft](#)'s average number of `seats`.

## Seats from aircraft class

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the [aircraft class](#)'s average number of `seats`.

## Default seats

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average number of `seats` of [all segments in the T-100 database](#), weighted by their passengers.

## Aircraft Class calculation

Returns the [aircraft class](#).

## Aircraft class from aircraft

```
seats > 0 ? seats : nil
end

quorum 'from aircraft',
  :needs => :aircraft,

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

    seats = characteristics[:aircraft].seats
    seats.present? && seats > 0 ? seats : nil
  end

quorum 'from aircraft class',
  :needs => :aircraft_class,

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

    seats = characteristics[:aircraft_class].seats
    seats.present? && seats > 0 ? seats : nil
  end

quorum 'default',

  :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

    FlightSegment.fallback.seats_per_flight
  end
end

committee :aircraft_class do

  quorum 'from aircraft',
    :needs => :aircraft,
```

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Looks up the [aircraft](#)'s [aircraft\\_class](#).

## Seats estimate calculation

Returns the client-input `seats estimate`.

## Load factor calculation

Returns the `load factor`. This is the portion of available seats that are occupied.

### Load factor from client input

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input `load factor`.

### Load factor from cohort

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average `load factor` of the `cohort` segments, weighted by their passengers. Ensure that `load_factor > 0`

### Default load factor

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

```
      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

        characteristics[:aircraft].aircraft_class

      end
    end

    committee :load_factor do

      quorum 'from cohort',
        :needs => :cohort,

        :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

          load_factor =
            characteristics[:cohort].weighted_average(:load_factor, :weighted_by =>
              :passengers)

          load_factor > 0 ? load_factor : nil
        end

      quorum 'default',

        :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do
```

Calculates the average `load_factor` of all segments in the T-100 database, weighted by their passengers.

## Freight share calculation

Returns the `freight_share`. This is the percent of the total aircraft weight that is freight cargo and mail (as opposed to passengers and their baggage).

### Freight share from cohort

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average `freight_share` of the `cohort` segments, weighted by their passengers. Don't need checks because zero is a valid `freight_share`

### Default freight share

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Calculates the average `freight_share` of all segments in the T-100 database, weighted by their passengers.

## Trips calculation

Returns the number of `trips`. A one-way flight has one trip; a round-trip flight has two trips.

### Trips from client input

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input number of `trips`.

```
FlightSegment.fallback.load_factor
end
end

committee :freight_share do

  quorum 'from cohort',
    :needs => :cohort,

    :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

      characteristics[:cohort].weighted_average(:freight_share,
:weighted_by => :passengers)
    end

    quorum 'default',

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

        FlightSegment.fallback.freight_share
      end
    end

    committee :trips do
```



## Default trips

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses an average number of `trips` of **1.7** calculated from the [BTS Origin and Destination Survey](#).

## Country calculation

Returns the `country` in which a flight occurs.

## Country from origin airport and destination airport

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Checks whether the flight's `origin airport` and `destination airport` are within the same country. If so, that country is the `country`.

## Cohort calculation

Returns the `cohort`. This is a set of flight segment records in the [T-100 database](#) that match certain client-input values.

## Cohort from segments per trip and input

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

```
quorum 'default',

:complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do

  1.7
end
end

committee :country do

quorum 'from origin airport and destination airport',
:needs => [:origin_airport, :destination_airport],

:complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|

  if characteristics[:origin_airport].country ==
characteristics[:destination_airport].country
    characteristics[:origin_airport].country
  end
end
end

committee :cohort do
  quorum 'from row_hash', :needs => [:flight_segment_row_hash] do
|characteristics|
    FlightSegment.where(:row_hash =>
characteristics[:flight_segment_row_hash].value).to_cohort
  end

quorum 'from segments per trip and input',
:needs => :segments_per_trip, :appreciates => [:origin_airport,
:destination_airport, :aircraft, :airline, :date],

:complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics|
```

Only assemble a cohort if the flight is direct

We'll want to restrict the cohort to flight segments that occurred the same year as the flight or the previous year. We need to include the previous year because our flight segment data lags by about 6 months.

If we have both an origin and destination airport...

If either airport is in the US, use airport iata code to assemble a cohort of BTS flight segments

NOTE: It's possible that the origin/destination pair won't appear in our database and we'll end up using a cohort based just on origin. If that happens, even if the origin is not in the US we still don't want to use origin airport city, because we know the flight was going to the US and ICAO segments never touch the US.

If neither airport is in the US, use airport city to assemble a cohort of ICAO flight segments **FIXME** TODO: deal with cities in multiple countries that share a name pushing country works if we're trying to go from Mexico City to Barcelona, Spain and so the cohort should NOT include flights to Barcelona, Venezuela **BUT** it won't work if we're trying to go from Montreal to London, Canada – there are no direct flights to London, Canada but there **ARE** flights to London, United Kingdom so we end up with those

Also use aircraft description and airline name

```
if characteristics[:segments_per_trip] == 1
  cohort = {}
  provided_characteristics = []
  date = characteristics[:date].is_a?(Date) ?
characteristics[:date] : Date.parse(characteristics[:date].to_s)

  relevant_years = [date.year - 1, date.year]

  if characteristics[:origin_airport].present? and
characteristics[:destination_airport].present?

    if characteristics[:origin_airport].country_iso_3166_code ==
"US" or characteristics[:destination_airport].country_iso_3166_code == "US"

      provided_characteristics.push [:origin_airport_iata_code,
characteristics[:origin_airport].iata_code]
      provided_characteristics.push
[:destination_airport_iata_code, characteristics[:destination_airport].iata_code]

    else
      provided_characteristics.push [:origin_airport_city,
characteristics[:origin_airport].city]
      provided_characteristics.push [:origin_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:origin_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
      provided_characteristics.push [:destination_airport_city,
characteristics[:destination_airport].city]
      provided_characteristics.push
[:destination_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:destination_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
    end

    if characteristics[:aircraft].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:aircraft_description,
characteristics[:aircraft].flight_segments_foreign_keys]
    end
  end
end
```

To assemble a cohort, we start with all the flight segments that are the same year as the flight or the previous year. Then we find all the segments that match the input `origin_airport`, `destination_airport`, `aircraft`, and `airline`. If no segments match all the inputs, we drop the last input (initially `airline`) and try again. We continue until some segments match or no inputs remain.

Ignore the cohort if none of its flight segments have any passengers TODO: make 'passengers > 0' a constraint once cohort\_scope supports non-hash constraints

If we have either origin or destination but not both... NOTE: This needs to be a special case because if we had neither origin nor destination, generated separate BTS and ICAO cohorts, and combined them the resulting cohort would have two copies of each flight segment.

First use airport iata code to assemble a cohort of BTS flight segments

```
if characteristics[:airline].present?
  provided_characteristics.push [:airline_name,
characteristics[:airline].name]
end

cohort = FlightSegment.where(:year =>
relevant_years).strict_cohort(*provided_characteristics)

if cohort.any? && cohort.any? { |fs| fs.passengers.nonzero? }
  cohort
else
  nil
end

elsif characteristics[:origin_airport].present? or
characteristics[:destination_airport].present?

if characteristics[:origin_airport].present?
  provided_characteristics.push [:origin_airport_iata_code,
characteristics[:origin_airport].iata_code]
  provided_characteristics.push [:origin_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:origin_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
end

if characteristics[:destination_airport].present?
  provided_characteristics.push
[:destination_airport_iata_code, characteristics[:destination_airport].iata_code]
  provided_characteristics.push
[:destination_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:destination_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
end

if characteristics[:aircraft].present?
  provided_characteristics.push [:aircraft_description,
```

Note: can't use where(:year => relevant\_years) here because then when we combine the cohorts you get WHERE year IN (*relevant\_years*) OR *other conditions* which returns every flight segment where(:year => relevant\_years)

Then use airport city to assemble a cohort of ICAO flight segments FIXME  
TODO: deal with cities in multiple countries that share a name pushing country works if we're trying to go from Mexico City to Barcelona, Spain and so the cohort should NOT include flights to Barcelona, Venezuela BUT it won't work if we're trying to go from Montreal to London, Canada – there are no direct flights to London, Canada but there ARE flights to London, United Kingdom so we end up with those

```
characteristics[:aircraft].flight_segments_foreign_keys]
    end

    if characteristics[:airline].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:airline_name,
characteristics[:airline].name]
    end

    bts_cohort =
FlightSegment.strict_cohort(*provided_characteristics)

    provided_characteristics = []
    if characteristics[:origin_airport].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:origin_airport_city,
characteristics[:origin_airport].city]
      provided_characteristics.push [:origin_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:origin_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
    end

    if characteristics[:destination_airport].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:destination_airport_city,
characteristics[:destination_airport].city]
      provided_characteristics.push
[:destination_country_iso_3166_code,
characteristics[:destination_airport].country_iso_3166_code]
    end

    if characteristics[:aircraft].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:aircraft_description,
characteristics[:aircraft].flight_segments_foreign_keys]
    end

    if characteristics[:airline].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:airline_name,
characteristics[:airline].name]
    end

    icao_cohort =
FlightSegment.strict_cohort(*provided_characteristics)
```

Combine the two cohorts, making sure to restrict to relevant years Note:  
cohort\_scope 0.2.1 provides cohort + cohort => cohort; cohort.where() =>  
relation; relation.to\_cohort => cohort

Ignore the resulting cohort if none of its flight segments have any  
passengers TODO: make 'passengers > 0' a constraint once cohort\_scope  
supports non-hash constraints

If we have neither origin nor destination...

Use aircraft description and airline name to assemble a cohort

Ignore the cohort if none of its flight segments have any passengers TODO:  
make 'passengers > 0' a constraint once cohort\_scope supports non-hash  
constraints

## Origin airport calculation

Returns the client-input origin airport.

```
cohort = (bts_cohort + icao_cohort).where(:year =>
relevant_years).to_cohort

    if cohort.any? && cohort.any? { |fs| fs.passengers.nonzero? }
      cohort
    else
      nil
    end

  else

    if characteristics[:aircraft].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:aircraft_description,
characteristics[:aircraft].flight_segments_foreign_keys]
    end

    if characteristics[:airline].present?
      provided_characteristics.push [:airline_name,
characteristics[:airline].name]
    end

    cohort = FlightSegment.where(:year =>
relevant_years).strict_cohort(*provided_characteristics)

    if cohort.any? && cohort.any? { |fs| fs.passengers.nonzero? }
      cohort
    else
      nil
    end
  end
end
end
end
```

## Destination airport calculation

Returns the client-input [destination airport](#).

## Aircraft calculation

Returns the client-input of [aircraft](#).

## Airline calculation

Returns the client-input [airline](#) operating the flight.

## Segments per trip calculation

Returns the `segments per trip`. Direct flights have a single segment per trip. Indirect flights with one or more layovers have two or more segments per trip.

### Segments per trip from client input

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input `segments per trip`.

### Default segments per trip

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Uses an average `segments per trip` of **1.68**, calculated from the [BTS Origin and Destination Survey](#).

## Date calculation

Returns the `date` on which the flight occurred.

### Date from client input

```
committee :segments_per_trip do
```

```
quorum 'default',
```

```
:complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do
```

```
1.68
```

```
end
```

```
end
```

```
committee :date do
```

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input `date`.

## Date from timeframe

**Complies:** GHG Protocol Scope 3, ISO-14064-1, Climate Registry Protocol

Assumes the flight occurred on the first day of the `timeframe`.

## Timeframe calculation

Returns the `timeframe`. This is the period during which to calculate emissions.

## Timeframe from client input

**Complies:** All

Uses the client-input `timeframe`.

## Default timeframe

**Complies:** All

Uses the current calendar year.

```
quorum 'from timeframe',

      :complies => [:ghg_protocol_scope_3, :iso, :tcr] do |characteristics,
timeframe|

      timeframe.from
    end
  end

end

end

end

end

end
```