

# TwoPools nonlinearity in inputs

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## Equation

Matrix notation of a simplified system could be defined as

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = I(t) \cdot N(C, t) + A(t) \cdot C(t) \quad (1)$$

Inputs  $I$  are modified by the term *theta* which is a function of humified C ( $C_o$ ). We consider only two pools for simplicity,  $C_y$  and  $C_o$ . We adopt the notation of Jarvis and Meurer for the ICBM model (just a two-pools linear model), substituting  $h$  with  $\epsilon$ .

Developing the matrices the model becomes:

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \theta(C_o) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -k_y & \epsilon \\ 0 & -k_o \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} C_y \\ C_o \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

The nonlinearity defined by  $\theta$  is a generic function of the old C pool content  $C_o$ ,  $\theta = f(C_o(t))$ .

## Draft parameter values

We can start from the 1996 ICBM parameterization for the parameter values:  $k_y = 0.8$ ,  $k_o = 0.00605$  and  $\eta = h = 0.13$ , ignoring the climatic scaling for the moment.

Note: the  $\epsilon$  parameter for ICBM is dependent on input quality, this must be considered in the multimodel comparison also for all other models.