

Comment on **Shawn Lovejoy's** presentation  
Using Scaling, fluctuation analysis to quantify natural and anthropogenic climate change.

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Main statement on page 2:

” In the recent epoch (here, since 1880) solar and volcanic forcings and changes in land use have had very little impact on GCM variabilities, the latter are apparently dominated by anthropogenic emissions.”

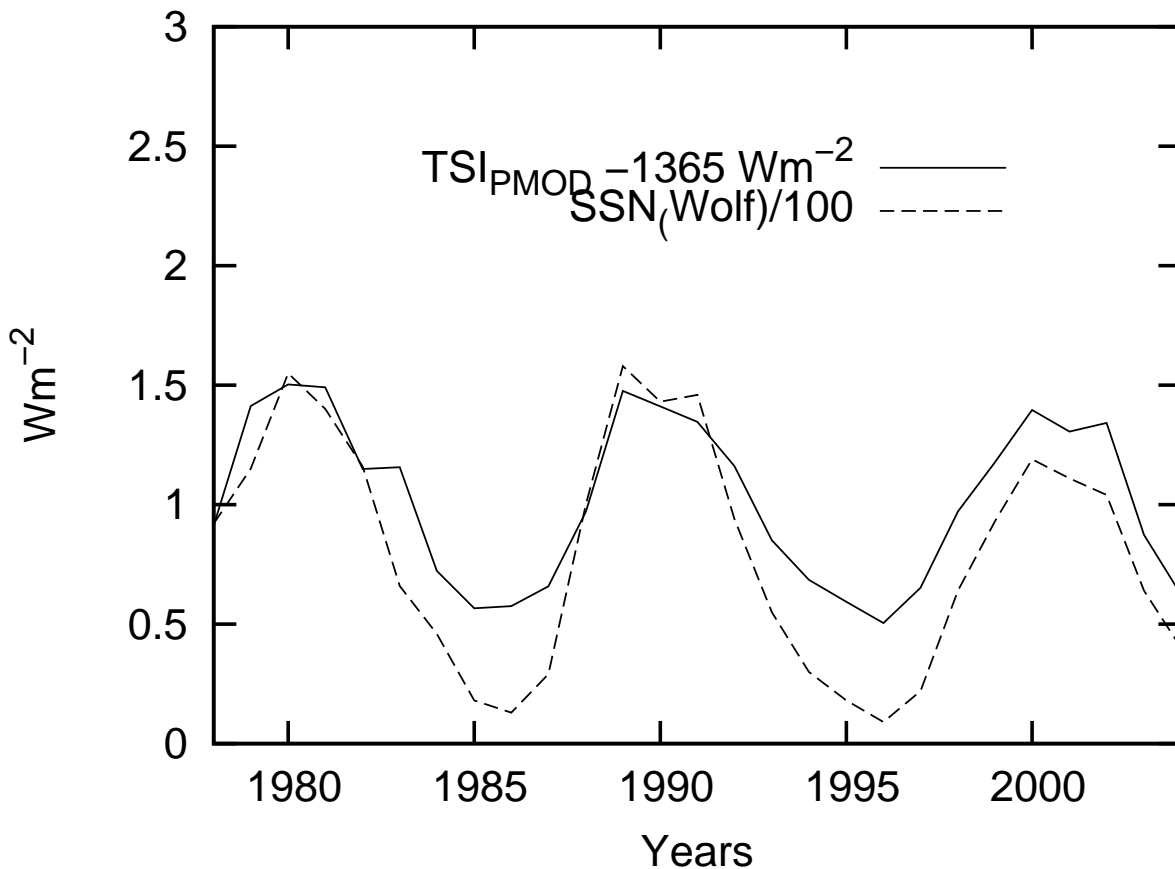
Objection:

Comparison of actual RF's shows different picture.

World Data Center for Greenhouse Gases (WDCGG) website ([gaw.kishou.go.jp/wdcgg.html](http://gaw.kishou.go.jp/wdcgg.html)) tells that the concentration of CO<sub>2</sub> in the Earth atmosphere grows at nearly constant rate 1.6 ppm/year. It takes about  $320/1.6=200$  years to reach 640 ppm from the times at 320 ppm. Computations show that a doubling of CO<sub>2</sub> will cause an increase of OLR flux density  $\approx 4 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$  (Schwartz 2007). The corresponding annual increment in the OLR flux would be  $4/200=0.02 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$ .

Schwartz S.E. (2007) *J. Geophys. Res.*, **112D** 24505-

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The current annual mean TSI at the TOA varies up  $1 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$ . The corresponding RF is approximately  $0.7/4 = .175 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$ . The annual production of  $\text{CO}_2$  RF ( $.02 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$ ) appears to be nearly 10 times lower.

TSI at the TOA: <ftp://ftp.pmodwrc.ch/pub/data/>  
 SSN data: [http:// sidc.oma.be](http://sidc.oma.be)

1 Actual variability of TSI overshadows the effect of  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration increase.

2. Eq (1) is not justified because the dependence of air temperature on TSI variability is not studied.