# A web based systems simulator for climate governance

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#### Key takeaways

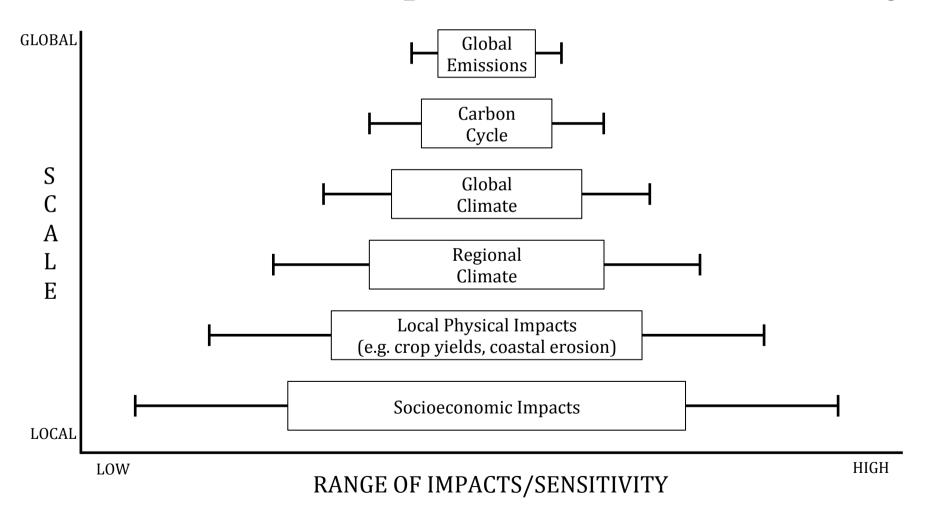
- Why a systems simulator?
- Why web-based?
- What are the interdisciplinary research challenges?

#### Why is adaptation a critical issue?



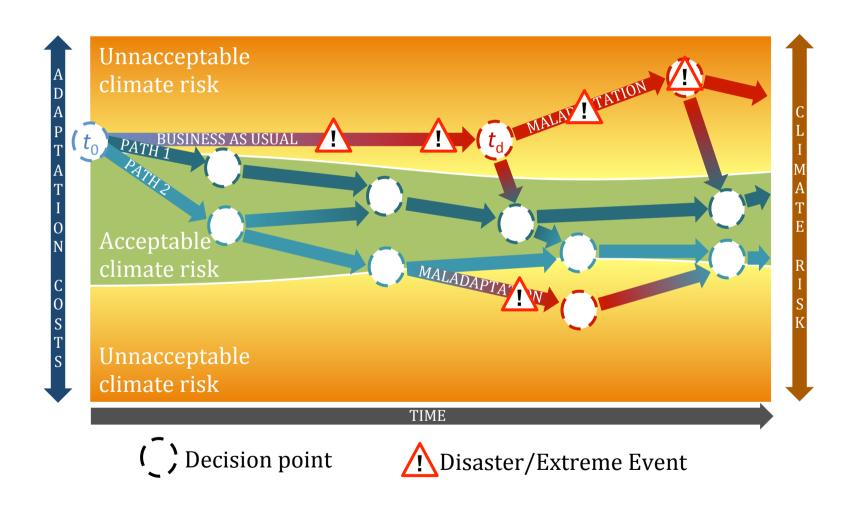
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## ...but adaptation at the local scale involves an 'explosion' of uncertainty



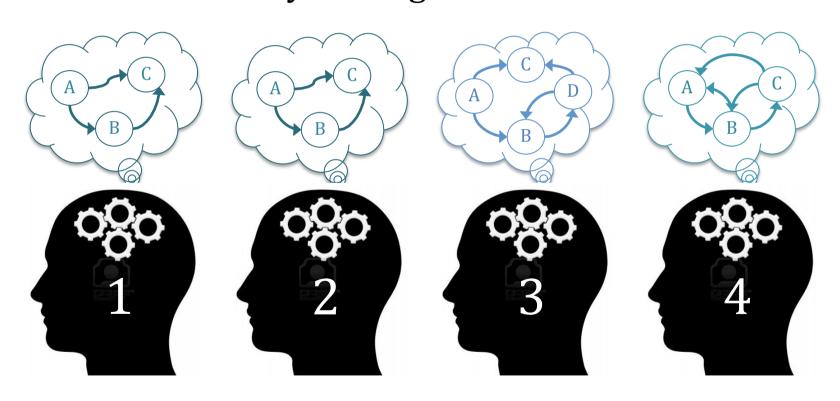
(Adapted from Ranger et al 2010)

#### There are multiple adaptation paths

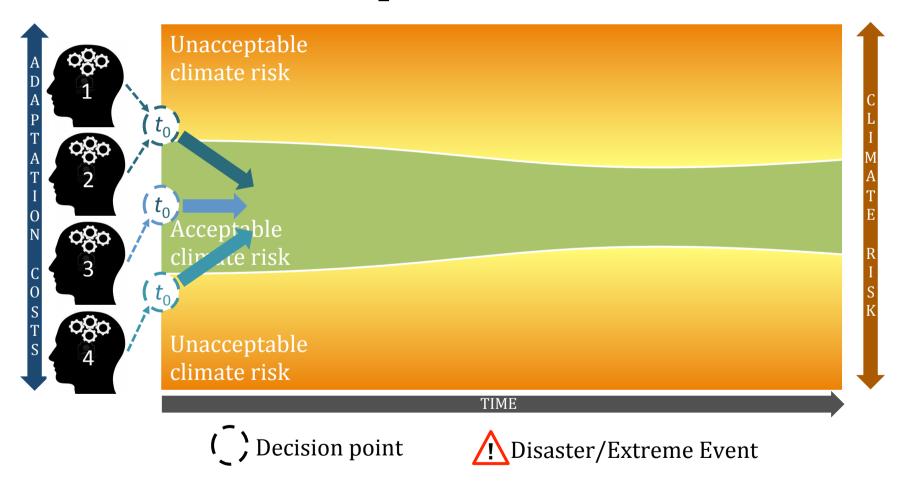


#### How to decide on a course of action?

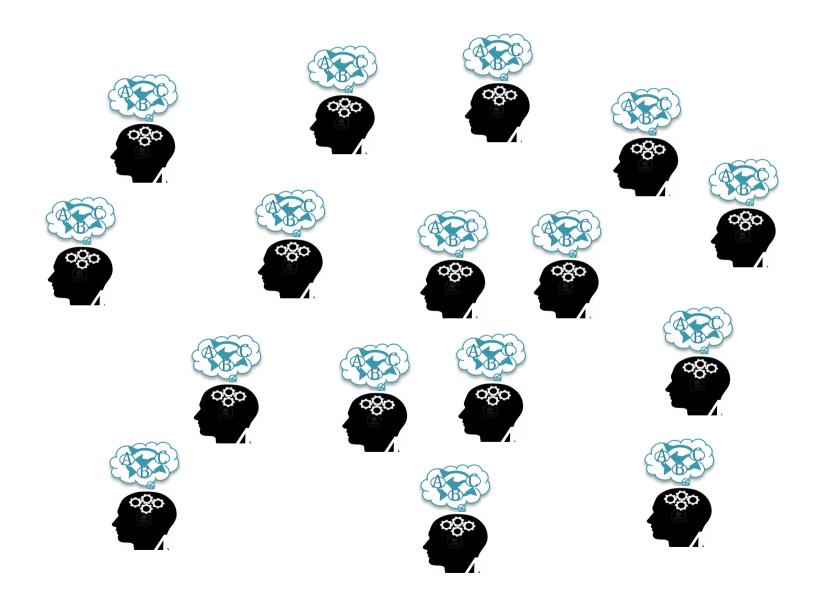
Adaptive management literature tells us: Uncertainty + disagreement = inaction



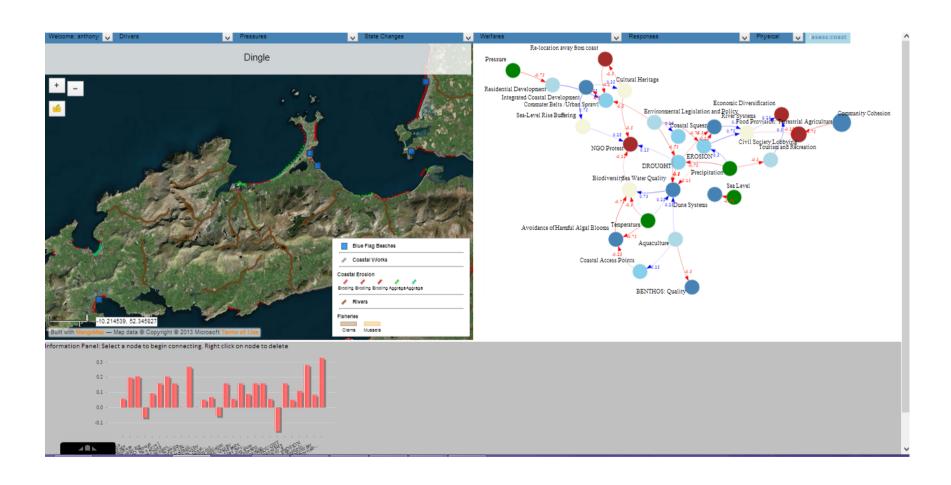
## At present, where are we in the landscape of climate risk?



#### How does it scale?



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### In Theory...

- Web 2.0
- Groupware
- Simple analysis
- Distributable

## Research challenge

- Technical
- Legal
- Social
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