Appendix G: Notation

C_0	Initial (mean pre-industrial) atmospheric CO ₂ concentration.
C(t)	Atmospheric CO_2 concentration at time t, in ppmv.
$D_{\rm n}(t)$	Net carbon flux from land-use change.
$D_{\rm g}(t)$	Gross carbon flux from land-use change.
F^{-}	Radiative forcing.
F_X	Radiative forcing due to constituent X.
G	Generic notation for response functions (Green's functions).
g	Laplace transform of G.
$G_{\rm a}$	Total atmospheric response function.
g_{a}	Laplace transform of G_a .
$G_{\mathrm{a:bio}}$	Function defining response of biota to atmospheric perturbation.
$g_{ m a:bio}$	Laplace transform of $G_{a:bio}$.
$G_{\mathrm{a:oc}}$	Function defining response of ocean to atmospheric perturbation.
$g_{\mathrm{a:oc}}$	Laplace transform of $G_{a:oc}$.
$N_{\rm a}$	Excess atmospheric carbon (in Gt) = $2.123[C(t) - C_0]$.
$n_{\rm a}$	Laplace transform of $N_{\rm a}$.
$N_{ m b}$	Perturbation to biotic carbon reservoir (excluding land-use term).
$n_{ m b}$	Laplace transform of $N_{\rm b}$.
N_{o}	Perturbation to ocean carbon content.
n_{o}	Laplace transform of $N_{\rm o}$.
p	Laplace transform variable.
Q, Q(t)	Total anthropogenic source, $= Q_{\text{foss}} + D_{\text{n}}$
q(p)	Laplace transform of $Q(t)$.
$Q_{\rm foss}$	Fossil carbon source.
$Q_{\rm foss}(t)$	Fossil carbon source.
r	Airborne fraction: $N_{\rm a}/Q$
\bar{r}	Average airborne fraction $\Delta N_{\rm a} / \int Q dt$
S	Generic notation for sinks.
S_{ocean}	Net ocean carbon sink.
$S_{\rm fert}$	CO_2 sink from CO_2 -fertilisation.
S_{resid}	Residual CO_2 sink.
t	Time in years.
t_s	Time of stabilisation of concentration.
$z_{\rm pen}$	Penetration depth for bomb- 14 C.
$\delta(t)$	Dirac delta function.

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