

Electric Power and Climate Change in China

Current Context and Future Growth Options

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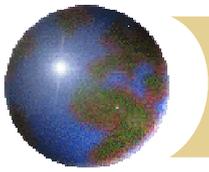
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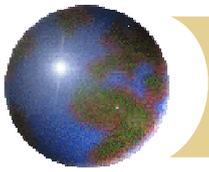
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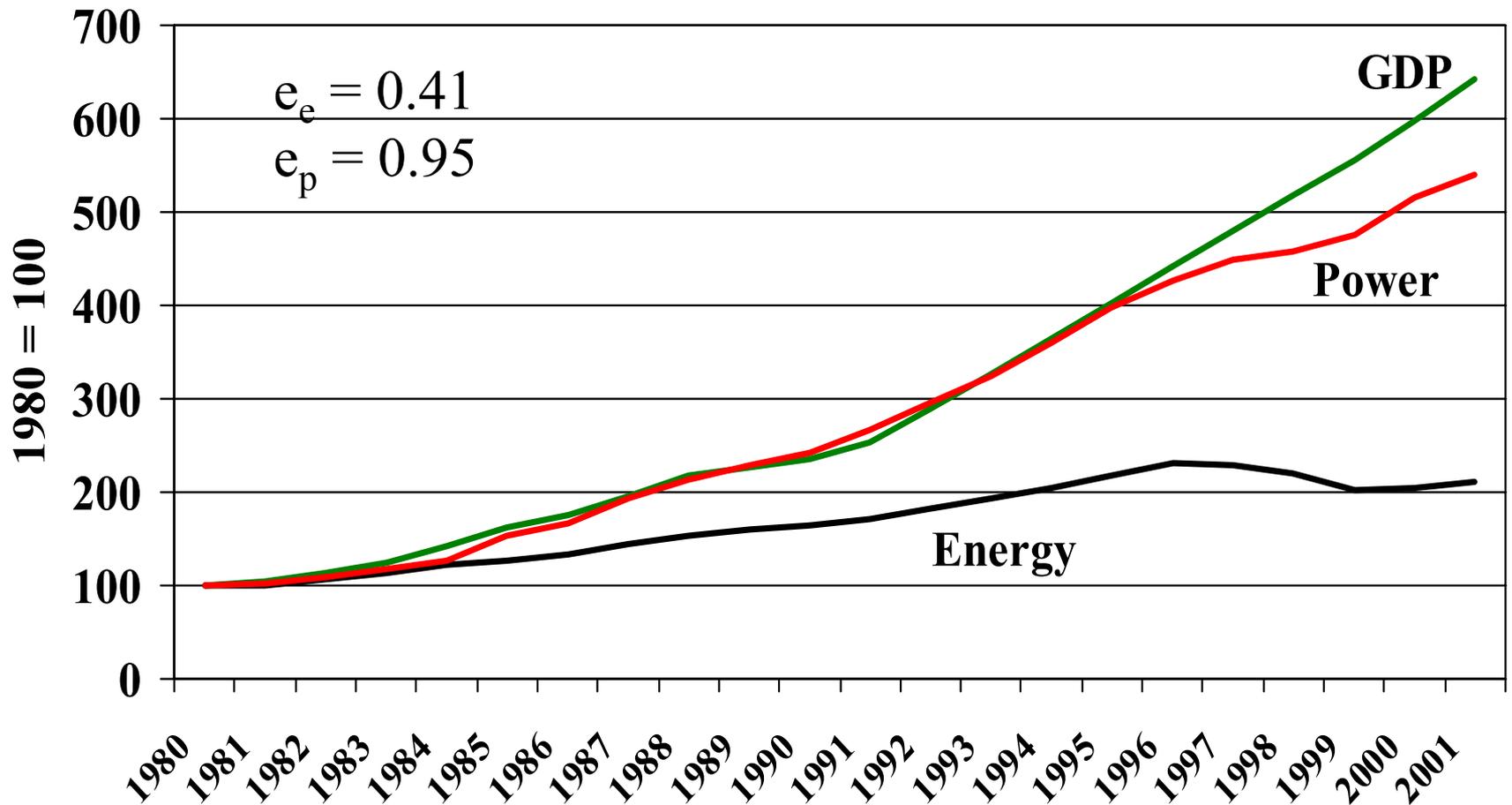


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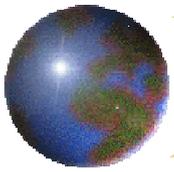
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- ⊕ Overview of China's Power Sector
- ⊕ Environmental Issues
- ⊕ Economics of Power Options
- ⊕ Forecasts



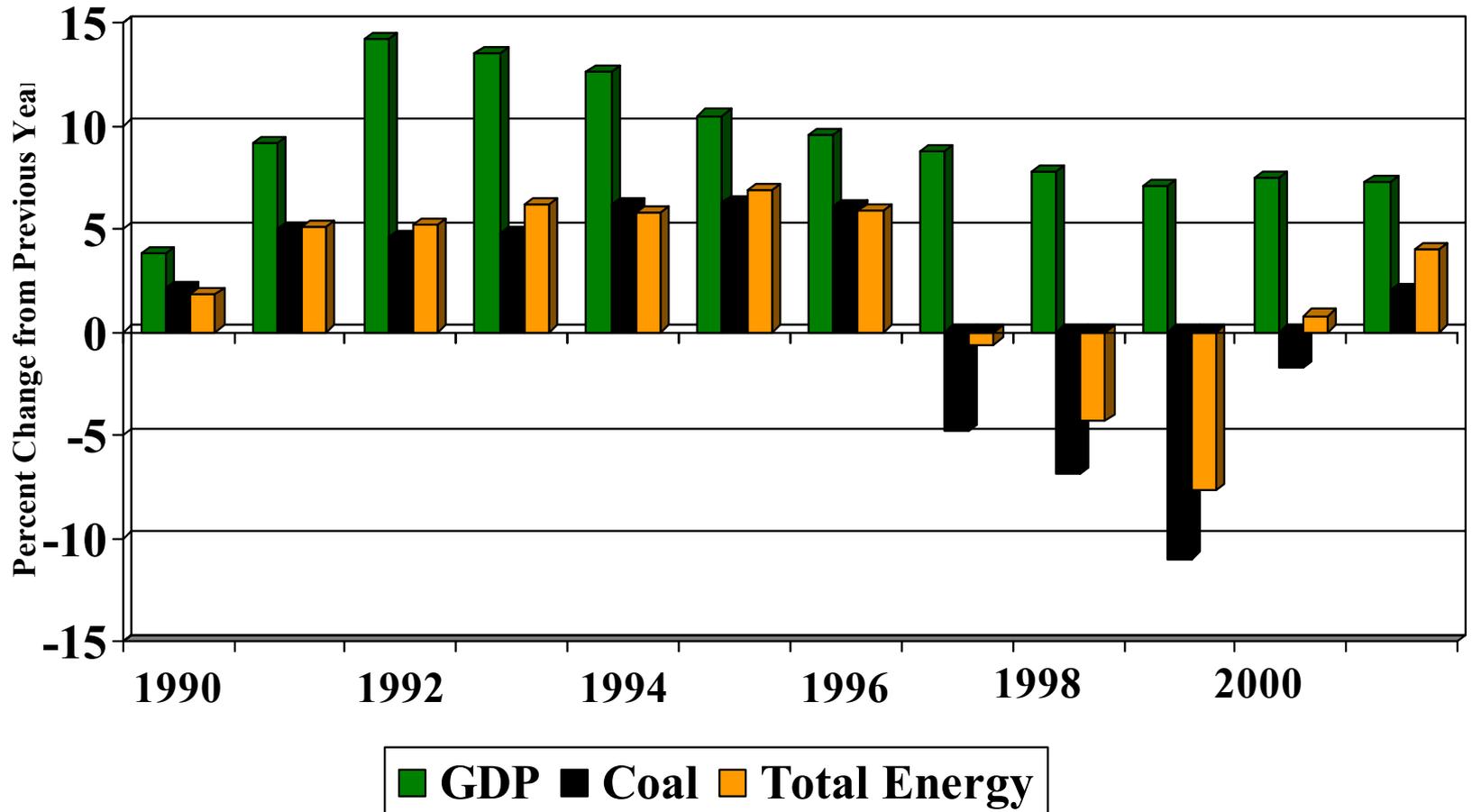
Reported GDP, Energy and Power Consumption Growth in China



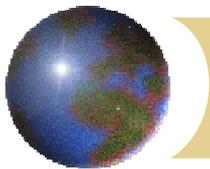
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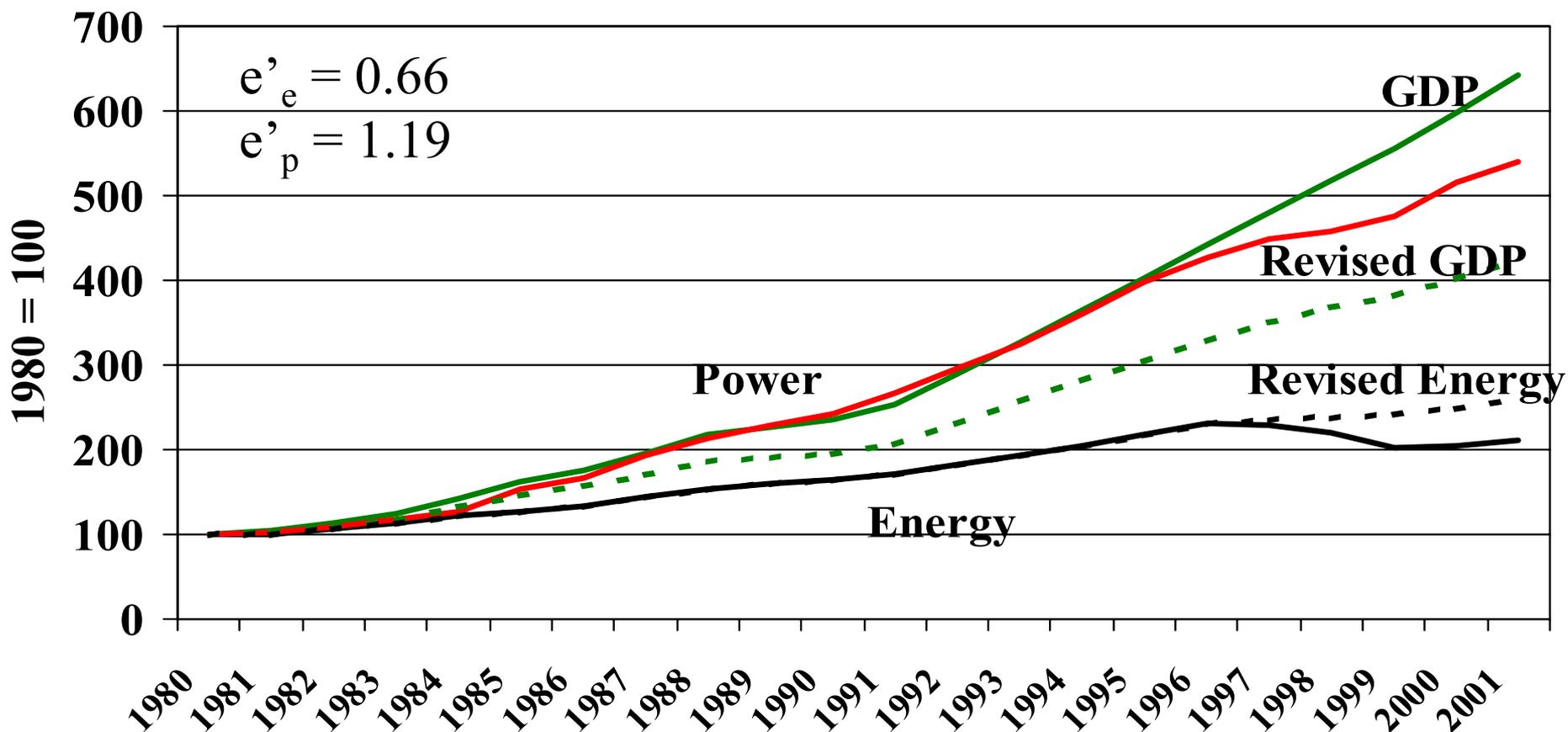
Controversial Data in Late 1990s

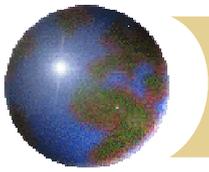


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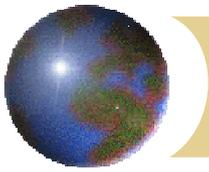
Estimated Revised GDP and Energy Use Growth in China





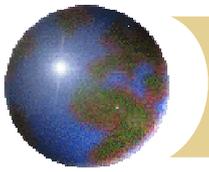
Snapshot of China's Power Sector

- ✚ 76 percent of generation from coal
- ✚ 330 GW of installed capacity in mid-2002, 1410 billion kwh generated (810 GW and 3800 b kWh in US)
- ✚ Environmental issues
 - ✚ Emissions, coal slag, mining, large hydro
- ✚ Regional imbalances (fuel and markets)



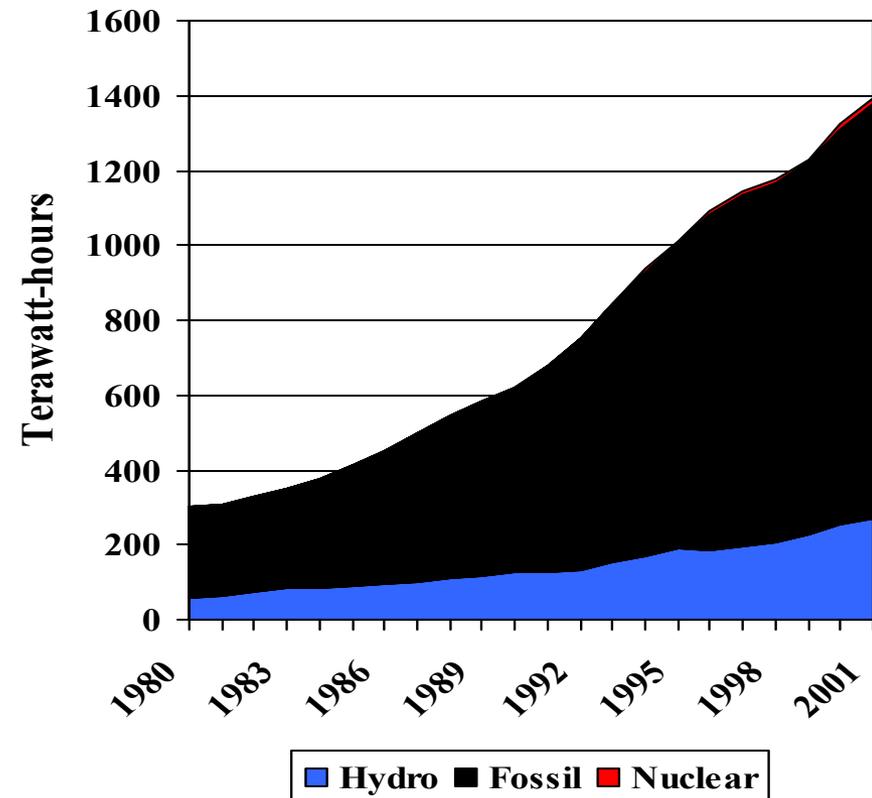
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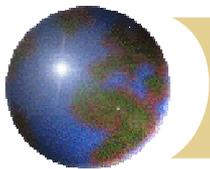
- ⊕ Many subsidies removed; high prices in rural areas (15¢/kWh) due to add-on fees
- ⊕ Power sector to anchor new natural gas infrastructure
- ⊕ Nuclear option scaled back
- ⊕ Domestic technology maturing
- ⊕ Regulatory and commercial functions recently restructured, but FDI down
- ⊕ Competition in generation looms



China's Power Sector in 2000

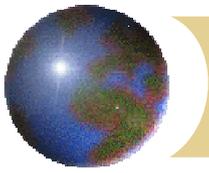
- Coal consumption: 520 million tons
- Petrol consumption: 10 million tons
- Gas consumption: 0.2 EJ
- Main power consumers: building material, chemicals, metallurgy





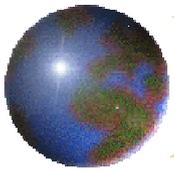
Power Plant Emissions in China

Plant Type	SO₂ (g/kWh)	NO_x (g/kWh)	CO₂ (g/kWh)	Efficiency (%)
Coal (PC)	8-20	3-5	860	37
Gas (CC)	~0	1-2	370	50
IGCC	0.1-1	0.5-1	790	42
Oil (CC)	1-2	2-3	540	49
Coal w/ Scrubber	1-2	3-5	880	36

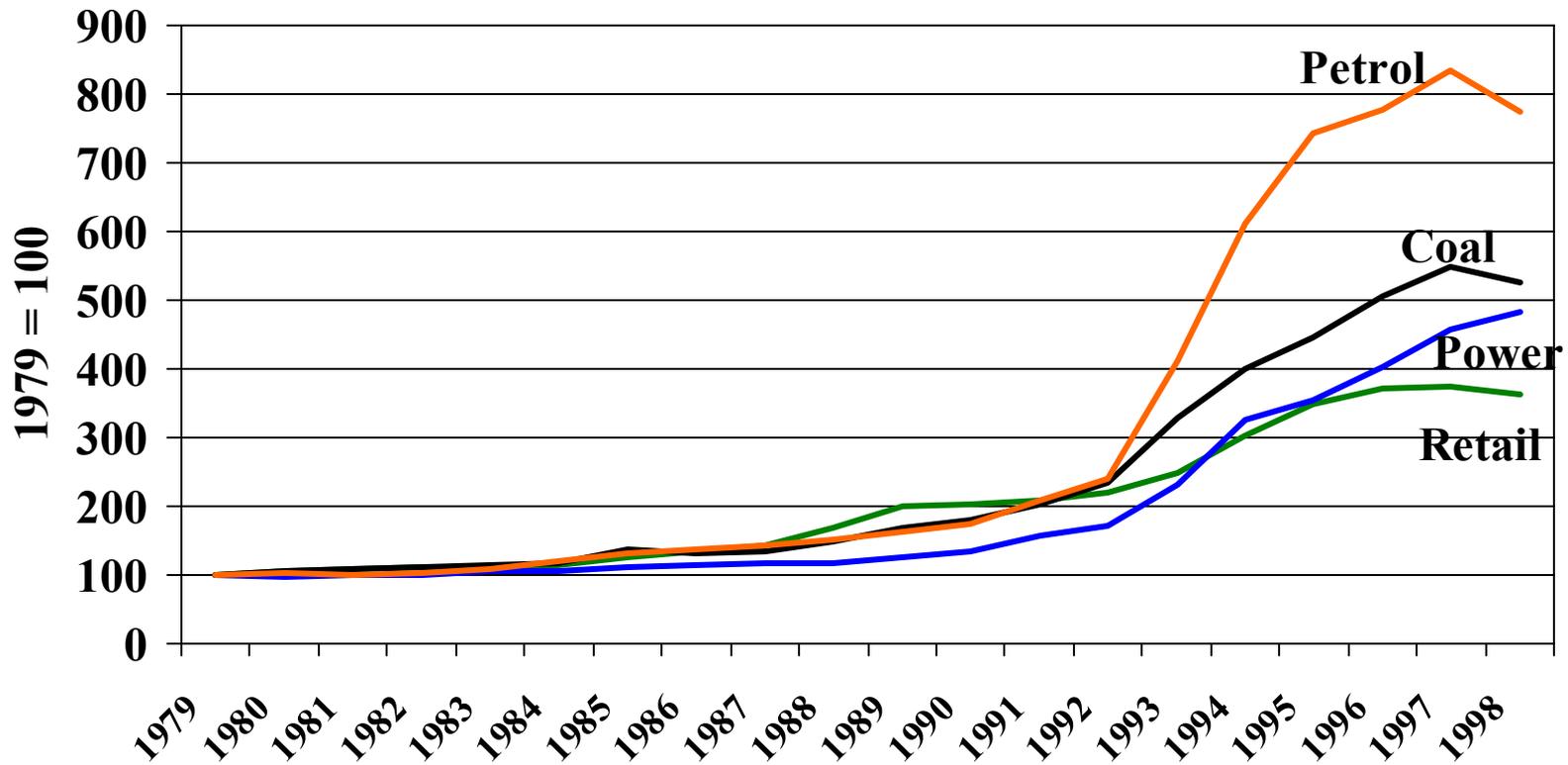


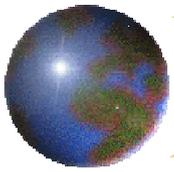
Main Environmental Issues Affecting the Power Industry in China

- Nearly 400,000 premature deaths resulting from air pollution
- Up to 8 percent of GDP lost due to environmental degradation
- 40 percent of land area affected by acid deposition
- Particulates largely controlled; sulfur and nitrogen oxides remain a problem

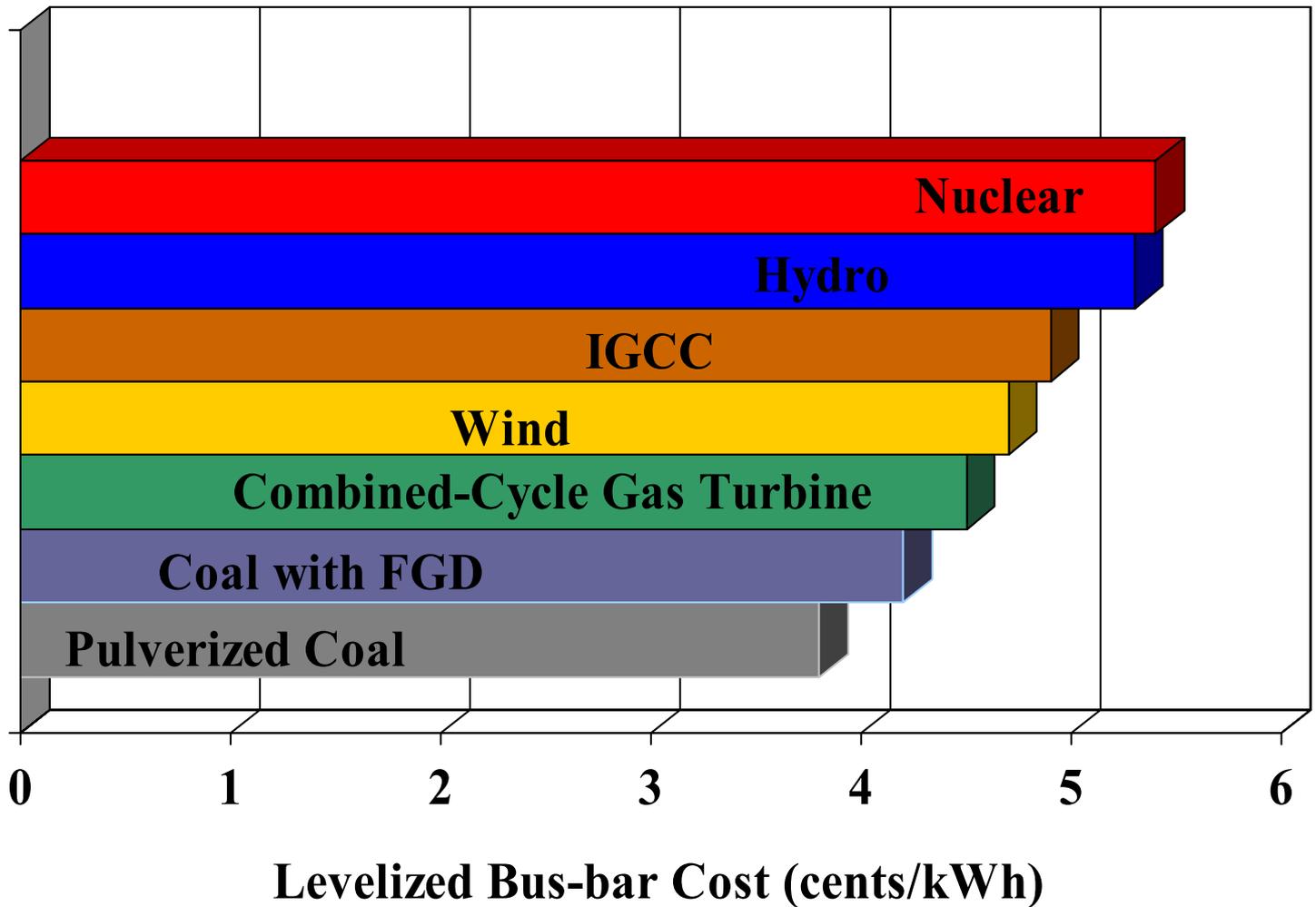


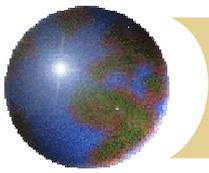
Price Indices in China



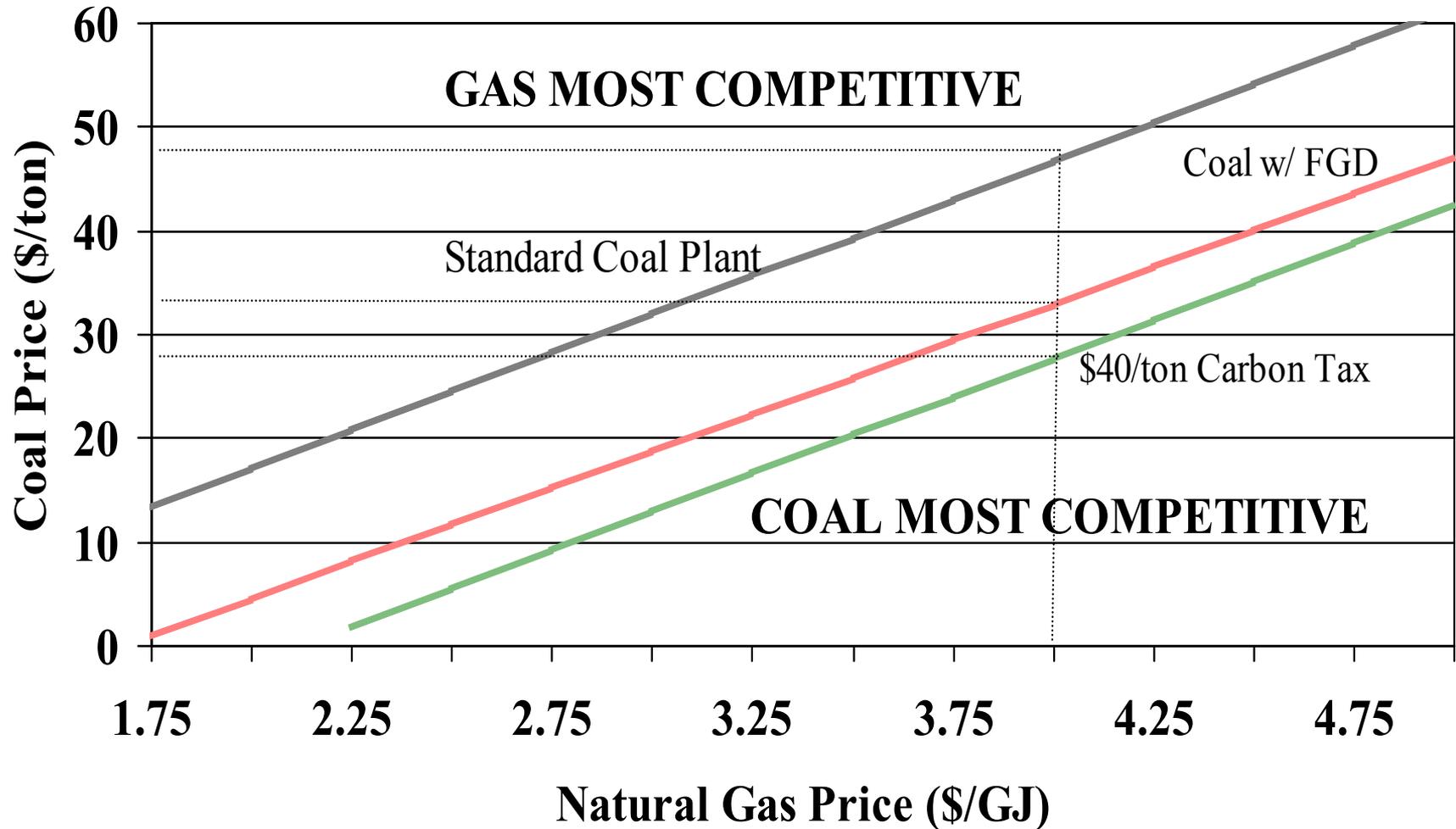


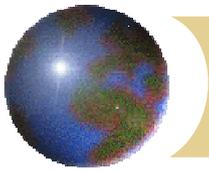
Levelized Power Costs in Southern China in 2000





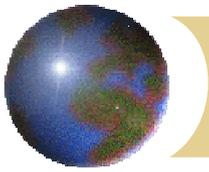
Fuel Economics of Power Generation in China





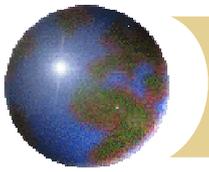
Technology Assessments

- Pulverized coal
 - 600 MW subcritical boiler; supercritical capability close
- Fluidized-bed and IGCC
 - Small demonstrations of FBC; IGCC not commercial
- Nuclear
 - Imported technology dominates; domestic capability growing
- Gas turbines
 - Little domestic manufacturing capability for large units; JVs
- Wind, solar
 - Imported technology dominates; JVs progressing
- Fuel Cells
 - Fundamental research growing
- Carbon capture/Integrated systems
 - On radar screen



China's Emerging Gas Sector

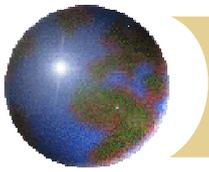
- ⊕ More domestic gas than once thought
- ⊕ Infrastructure expanding rapidly
- ⊕ Incentives needed for end-users
- ⊕ Imports remain important variable



Factors Influencing Development of China's Power Sector

✚ Macro

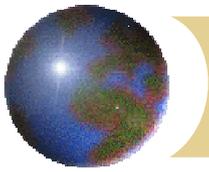
- ✚ State-owned enterprises reform
- ✚ Non-performing bank loans
- ✚ Corruption
- ✚ Population/wealth imbalance
- ✚ Local protectionism
- ✚ End-use energy efficiency policy
- ✚ Natural gas policy
- ✚ Environmental policy
- ✚ Rule of law
- ✚ International climate treaties



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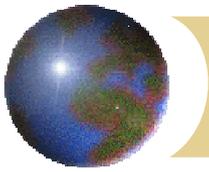
● Sector-specific

- Policy introducing competition in power generation
- Enforcement of legal and environmental provisions
- Import tariffs on technology and fuel
- R&D on energy technology



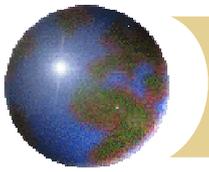
Modeling Alternative Scenarios

- Least-cost optimization model
- Exogenous GDP and power demand
- 17 power generation options, 5 regions
- Limited feedback, but wide variety of user-defined constraints
- Optional environmental costs
- Thru 2020 at 5 year intervals



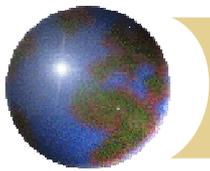
Growth Scenarios

- **Baseline and High GDP Growth**
 - Successful “dynamics as usual”
- **Efficiency**
 - End-use demand reduced 10% by 2020
- **Environmental Externalities**
 - Fee on local pollutants (\$300/ton each by 2020)
- **Natural Gas**
 - Policies to expand availability and stabilize price
- **Carbon Tax**
 - Fee of \$30/ton-C by 2020
 - Capital costs for advanced technologies decline due to RD&D



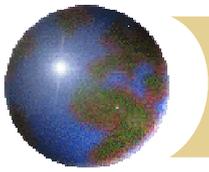
Baseline Assumptions

- Average annual growth of power demand through 2020 = 4.9 percent; total demand = 3715 TWh in 2020
- Natural gas availability for power generation expands (4 EJ in 2020)
- Environmental policies steadily improve
- Energy prices rise slowly



Assumptions for East China in 2020

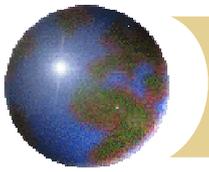
	Capital Cost (\$/kW)	Efficiency/ CF* (%)	Fuel Cost	Levelized Cost (¢/kWh)
Pulv. Coal	800	38	\$38/ton	4.0
CCGT	500	60	\$4.3/GJ	4.2
Wind	900	34*	--	4.3
SC Coal w/ FGD	1050	40	\$29/ton	4.5
Nuclear	1550	75*	\$0.007/kWh	4.9
Hydro	1200	43*	--	5.0
IGCC	1400	44	\$29/ton	5.5



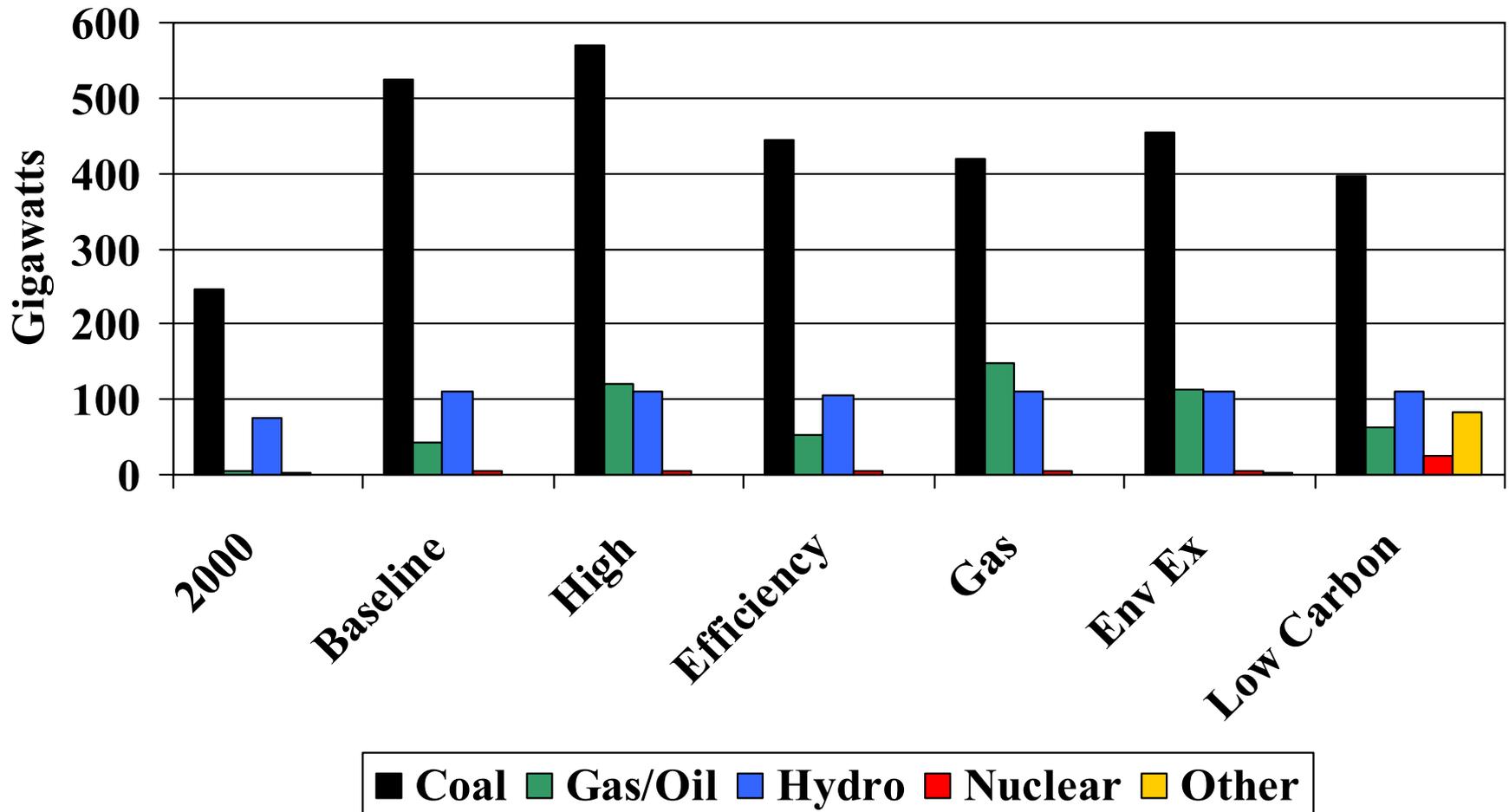
Scenario Results in 2020

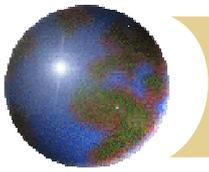
	Capacity (GW)	CO ₂ (M ton-C)	SO ₂ (M ton-SO ₂)	Cost (B\$)
2000	305	283	13	--
Baseline	688	713	28	581
High GDP	817	807	30	849
Efficiency*	623	641	26	519
Environ. Ext.	692	648	24	602
Natural Gas	690	620	23	583
Low Carbon*	681	575	22	621

* Costs to achieve scenario assumptions not included



Generation Capacity in 2020





Conclusions

- ⊕ Rapid growth in power use and emissions likely to continue, but will remain well below U.S. levels in 2020
- ⊕ Nuclear, cleaner coal, hydro and other options remain expensive in baseline
- ⊕ Strong opportunities for co-benefit policy options using natural gas
- ⊕ End-use efficiency has significant potential to lower demand affordably
- ⊕ International cooperation can dramatically reduce carbon dioxide emissions
- ⊕ U.S.-China cooperation essential