REDD+, SFM, development, markets and forests.

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This presentation

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Introduction

- Much written on causes of deforestation and forest degradation
- Money appears to be key to change
- Distance to market used as proxy to determine land value







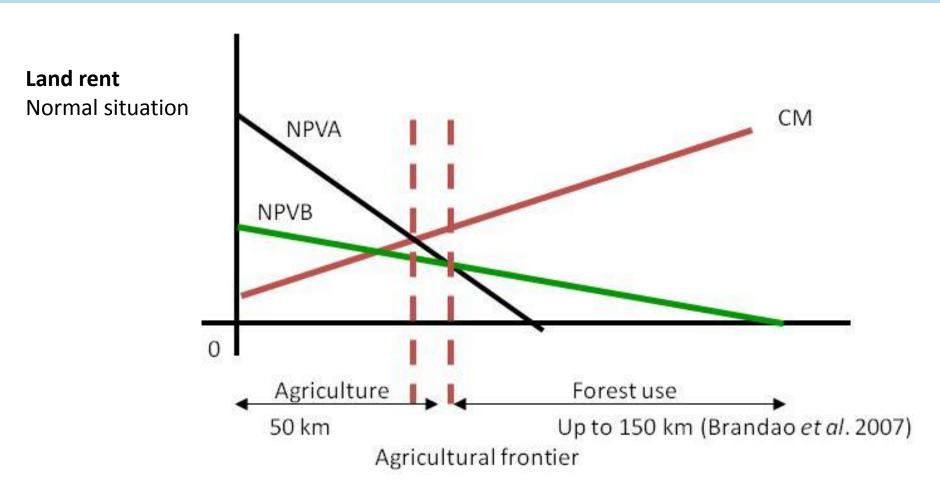
Introduction

- •What role does SFM have?
- Does SFM contribute to REDD, rural development and conservation?
- •What lessons from past SFM experiences are important for REDD+?









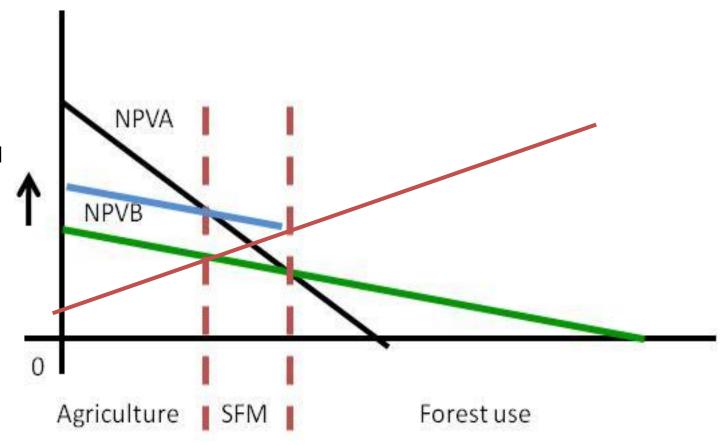
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increased price for forest products from well-managed forests;



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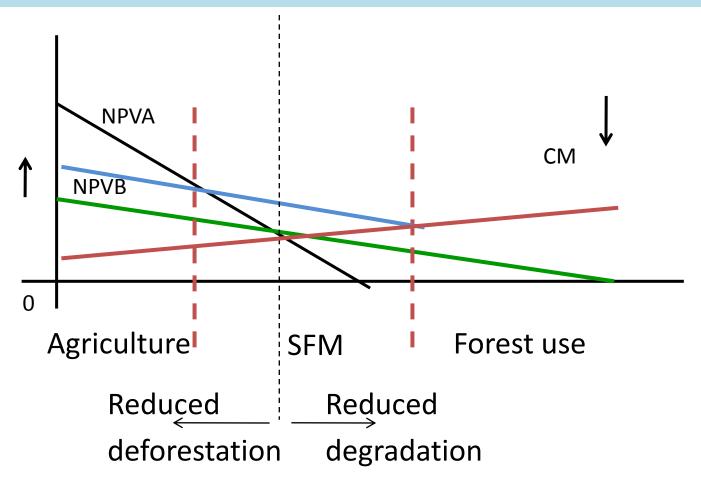
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combination of increased price and reduced transaction costs



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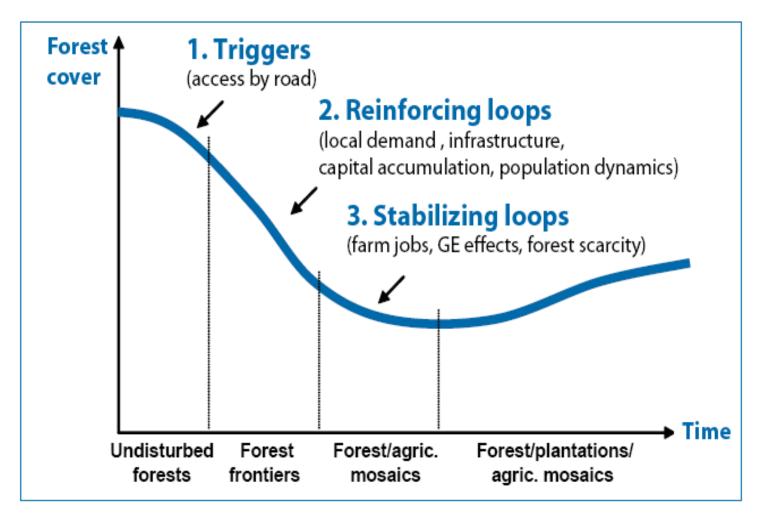


- Markets & policies may influence land rent
- Policies addressing underlying causes of deforestation and degradation before compensatory payments
- May differ according to "development" characteristics of each country
 - forest transition curve





REDD+ and development



The forest transition curve (Kanninen et al. 2007, adapted from Angelsen 2007).





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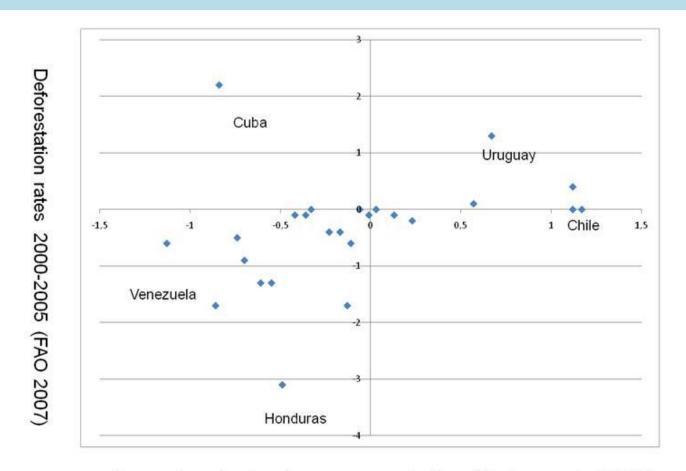
 Ignores local perceptions on benefits and costs, expectations and risk behavior, mistrust, conservation preference, institutional frameworks

 Is there a better indicator for "development" along the x-axis?





Governance vs. deforestation



Aggregate value for six governance indices (Kaufmann et al.2008)

Governance important factor to be considered as part of "development" conditions in forest transition curve?





REDD+ and development

- Other factors that may determine deforestation rates:
 - off-farm employment
 - measures to reflect the level of agricultural prices,
 - road density and the level of local wages Macroeconomic factors
- Need more local scale and local perceptions on development and conservation;
- It is not just income that moves curve upward: How much of "reforestation" in Costa Rica can be explained by increased income?



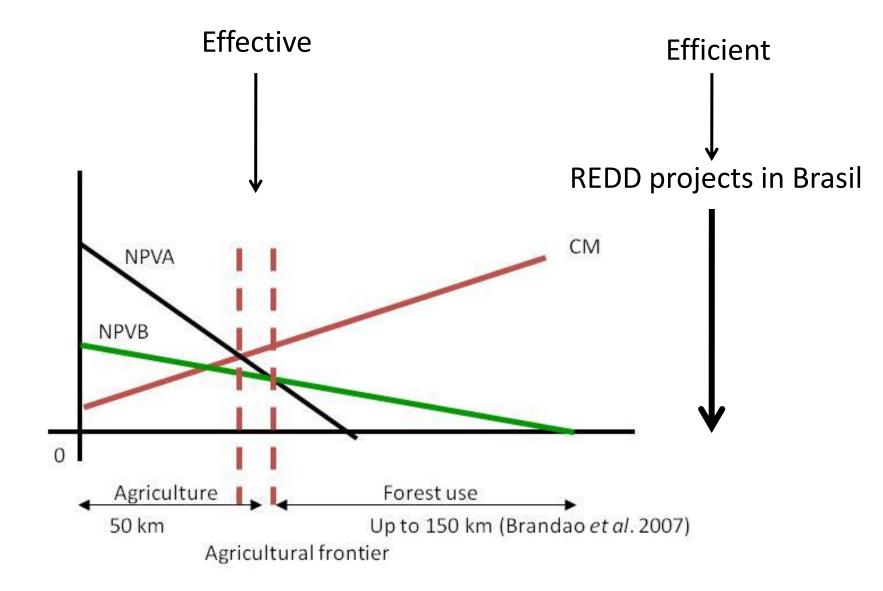


REDD+ and carbon markets

- Carbon markets may raise land rent
- However, transition costs may be high for individual (small) producers, raising the CM curve for them
- How may markets contribute to improving enabling conditions (lowering CM curve)?
- Will markets address the most problematic areas (center of graph)?











REDD+ and carbon markets

Carbon markets (regulatory and voluntary) are not enough

 Also international funding (enabling conditions, FCPF, UN-REDD, Norway and Guyana for example)

 And bilateral transactions (small and medium forest users and owners, Plan Vivo for example)





SFM and REDD+

- RIL techniques reduce loss of biomass, and up to 30% less loss of carbon
- Increased processing efficiency further reduces carbon losses
- SFM reduces unauthorized use of forests
- SFM and user rights may reduce deforestation
- SFM may contribute to local livelihoods
- But enabling conditions need to be in place for widespread implementation







SFM and REDD+

Reducing transaction costs	Increasing forest use value
Community forest management	PES
Stakeholder platforms with political relevance	Higher prices for certified timber
Simplified rules	Government responsible purchasing policies
Secure land and forest use tenure	Reduced agricultural sector subsidies
Assistance in monitoring and control	
Business administration and commercialisation	





 SFM appears to do well on REDD+ performance, and depending on the site conditions, may contribute to rural development as well as to biodiversity conservation.





Main lesson learned

- Trees do not grow on money alone
- REDD+ will need to address the enabling conditions for any chance of successful implementation: not by markets alone
- REDD+ will need to reconcile local knowledge, needs and expectations with national and international frameworks





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