

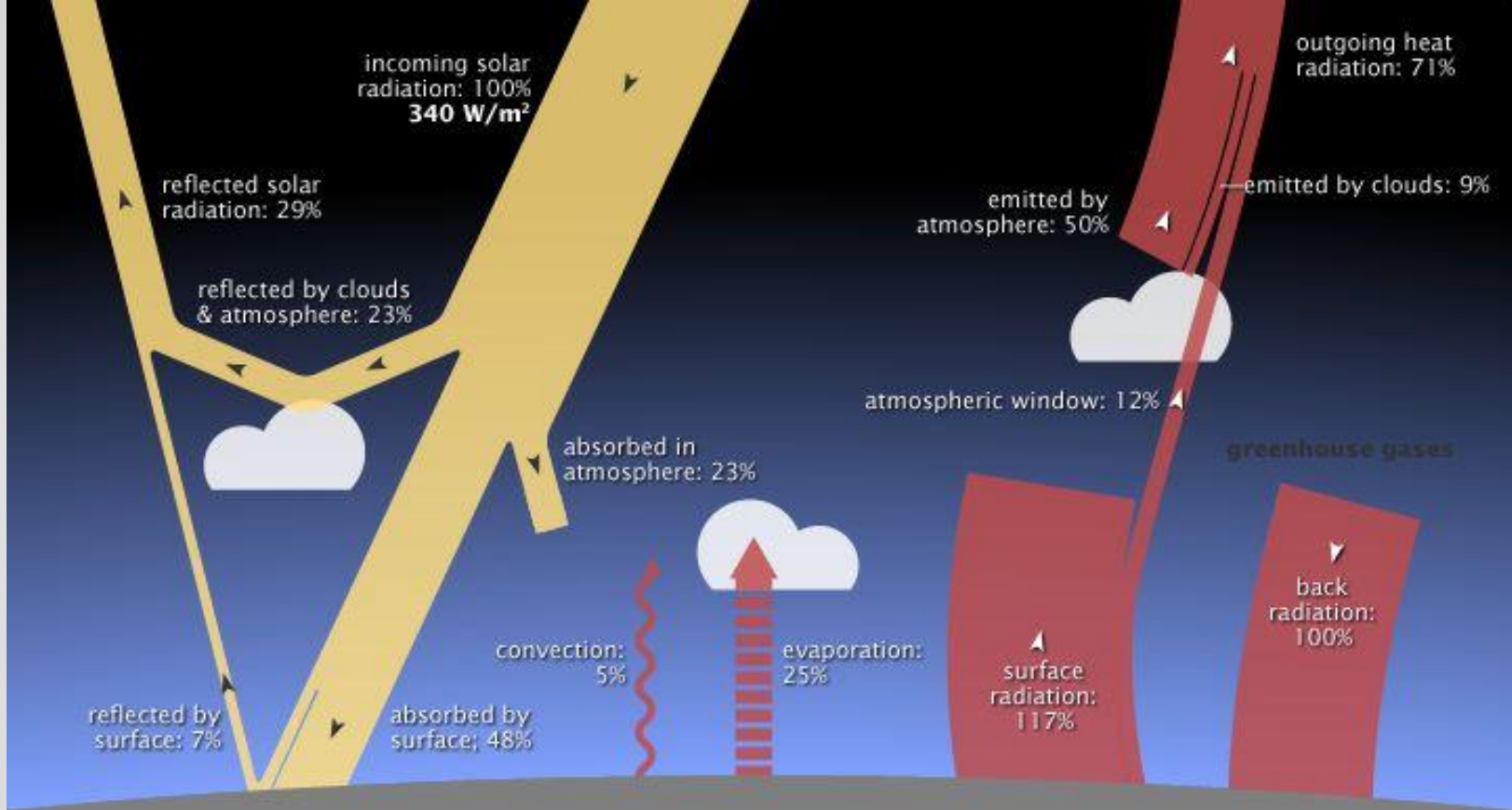
Climate Change Model

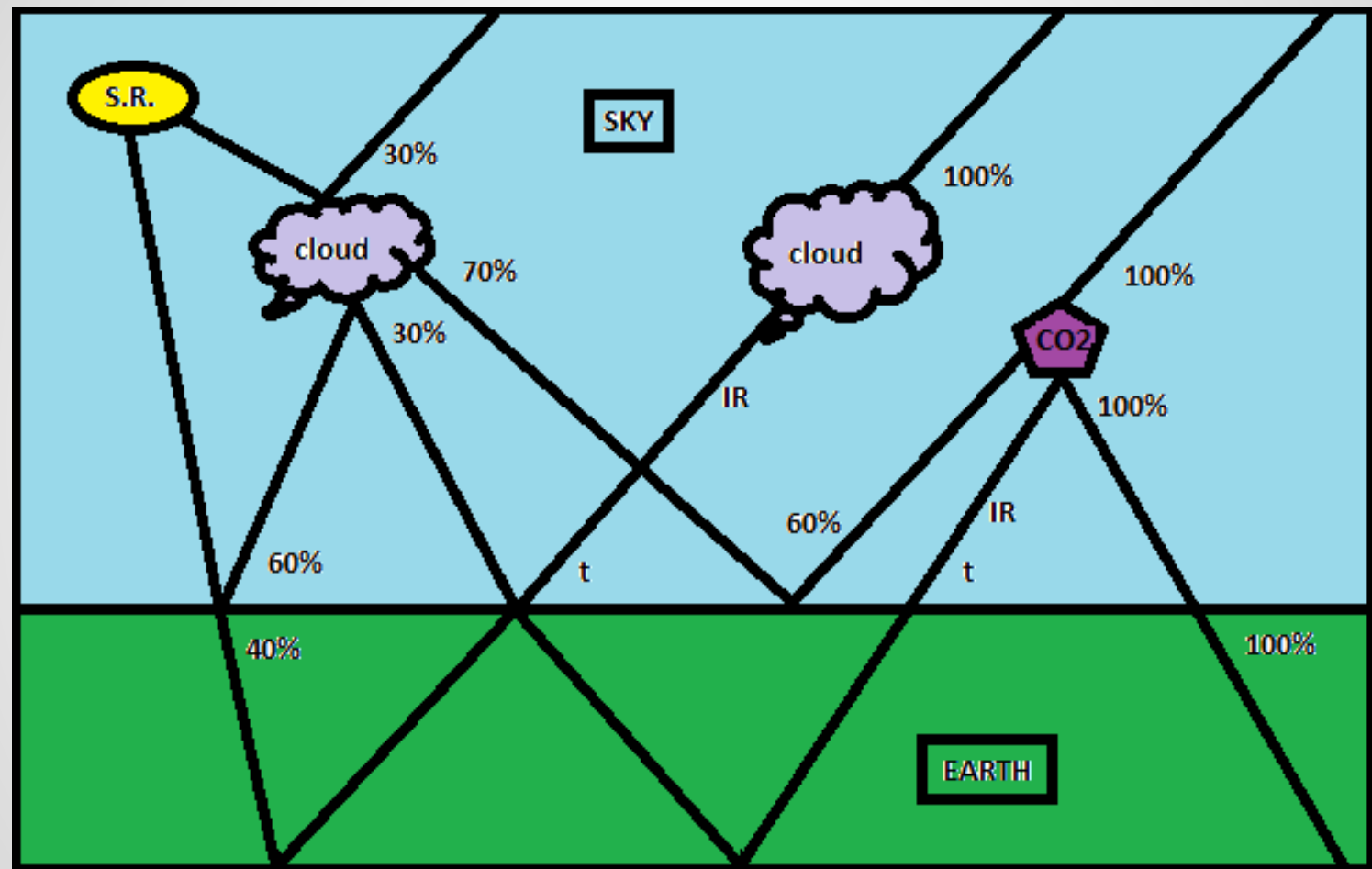
Introduction

- ❑ Climate Change
- ❑ Global Warming
- ❑ CO₂
- ❑ Greenhouse effect

Introduction

- Sunrays
- Clouds
- Earth
- Albedo
- Infrared waves
- CO₂





Model

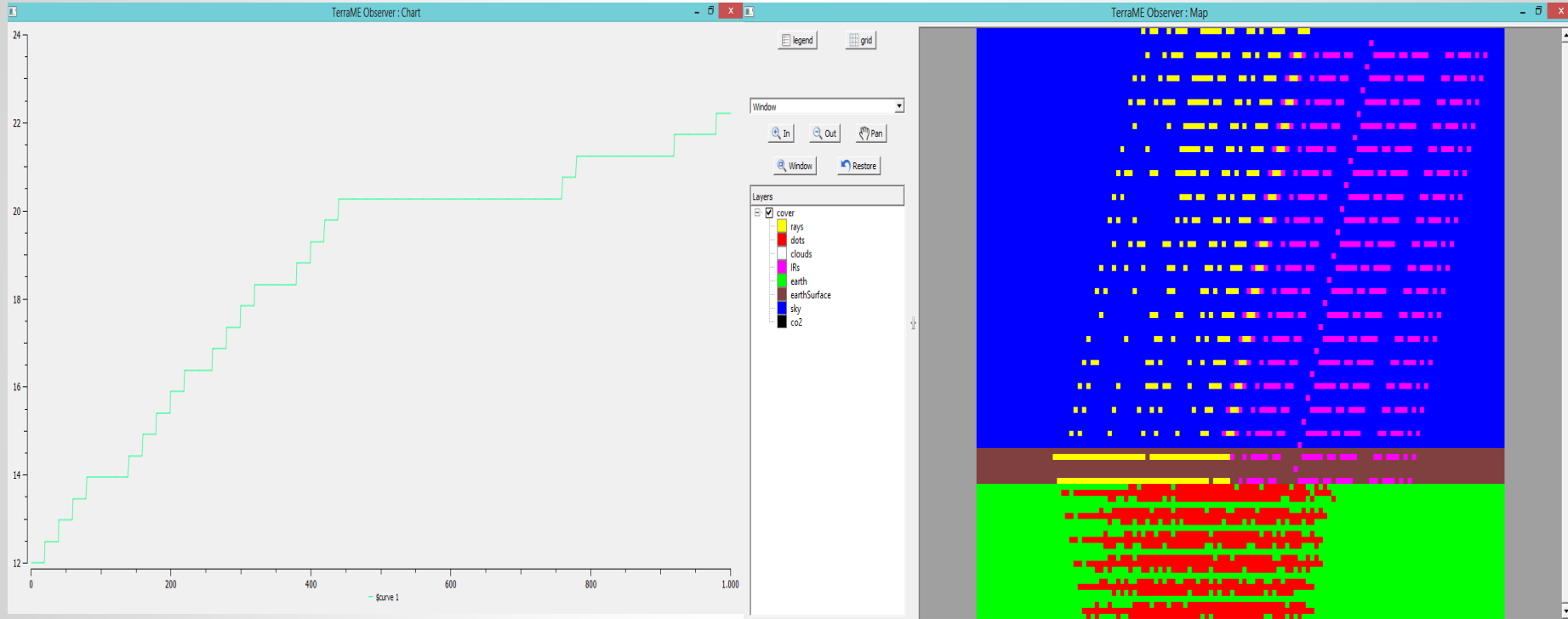
- Cellular Automata based model
- Uses the TerraMe concepts of Neighborhood, environment, society and Timer, etc.
- Helps in understanding the effects of different parameters in global warming like carbon dioxide concentrations, cloud cover, etc
- Assuming that the entire earth has same albedo and earth can be heated uniformly

Parameters of Model

- Albedo of Earth
- Albedo of Clouds
- Rate at which Earth loses Heat after a certain threshold temperature
- Threshold and Initial Temperature
- Add or Remove Clouds
- Concentration of CO_2 molecules in the atmosphere

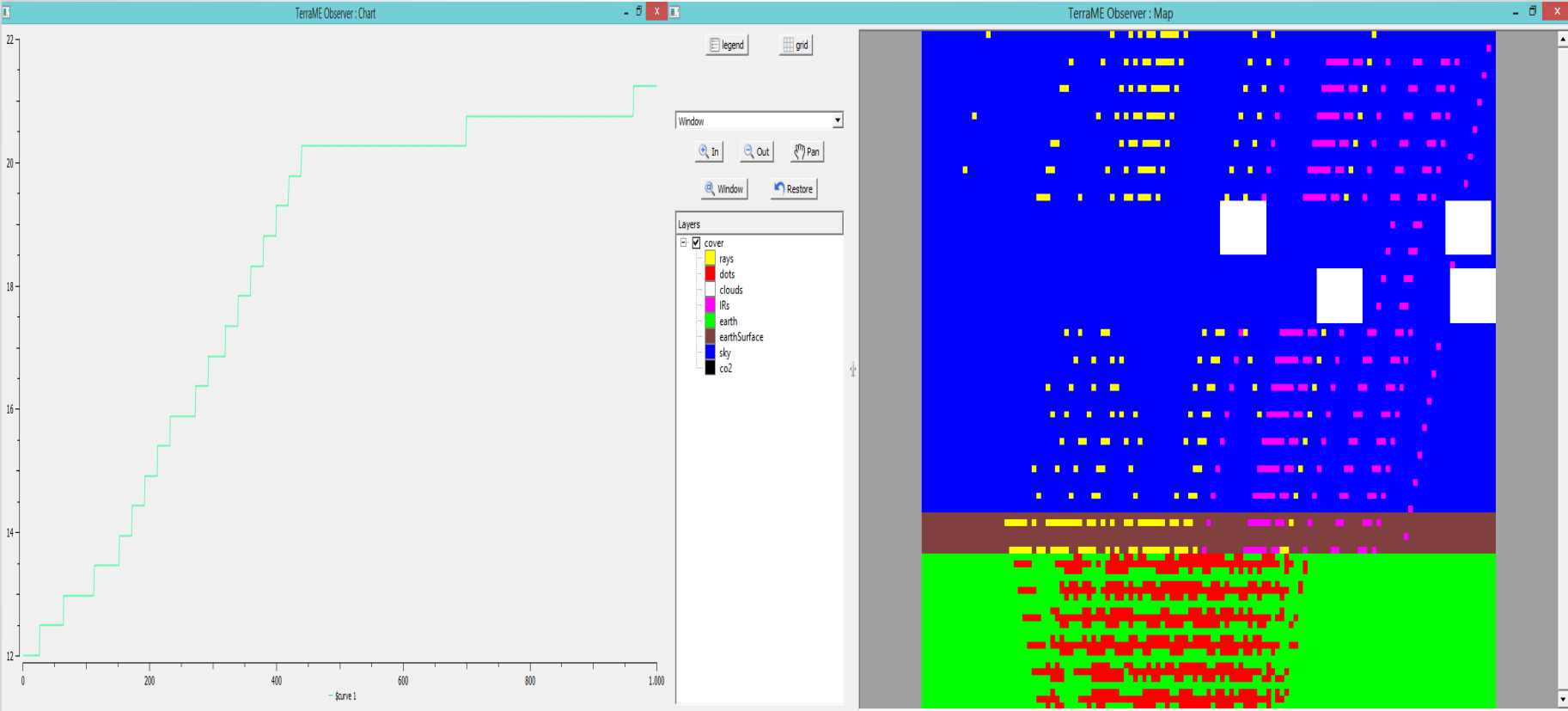
Running the model...

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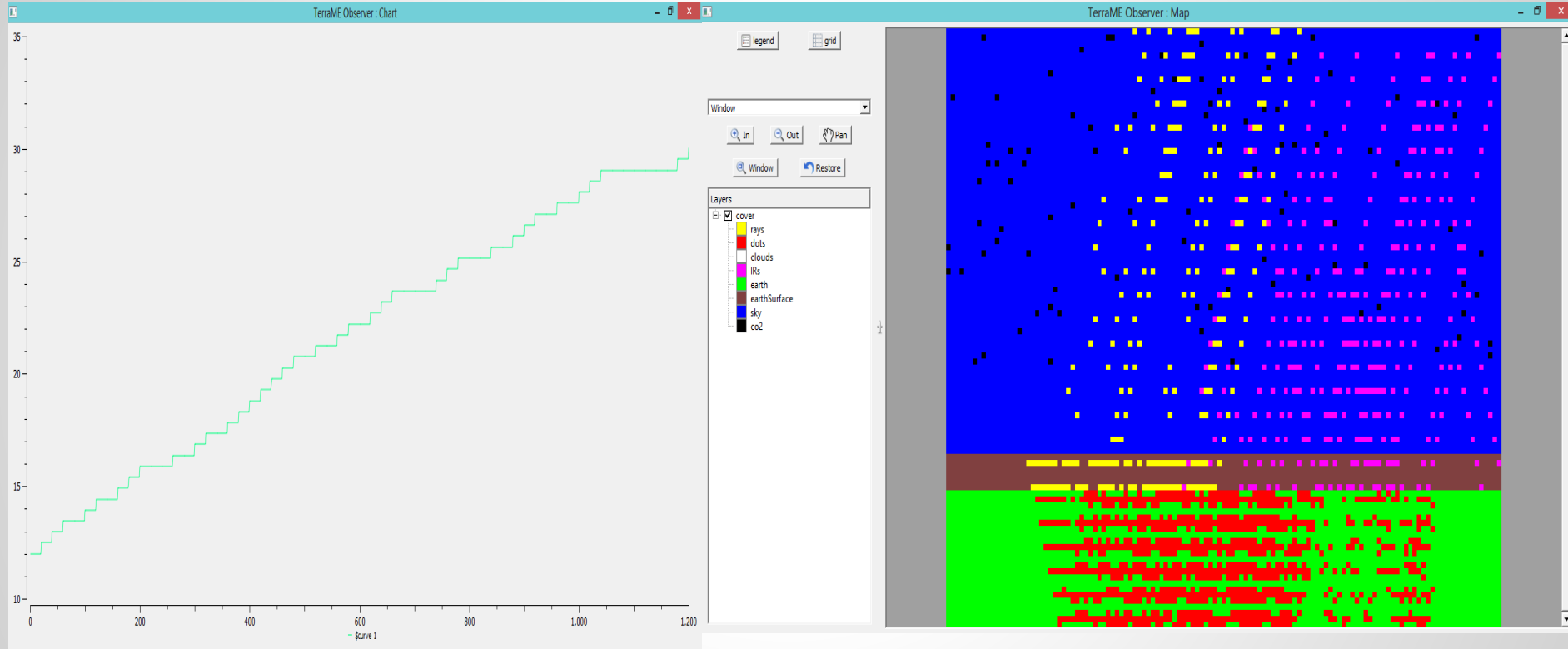
When there are no clouds and no co2 molecules(Albedo: Earth-0.6 & Clouds-0.7)

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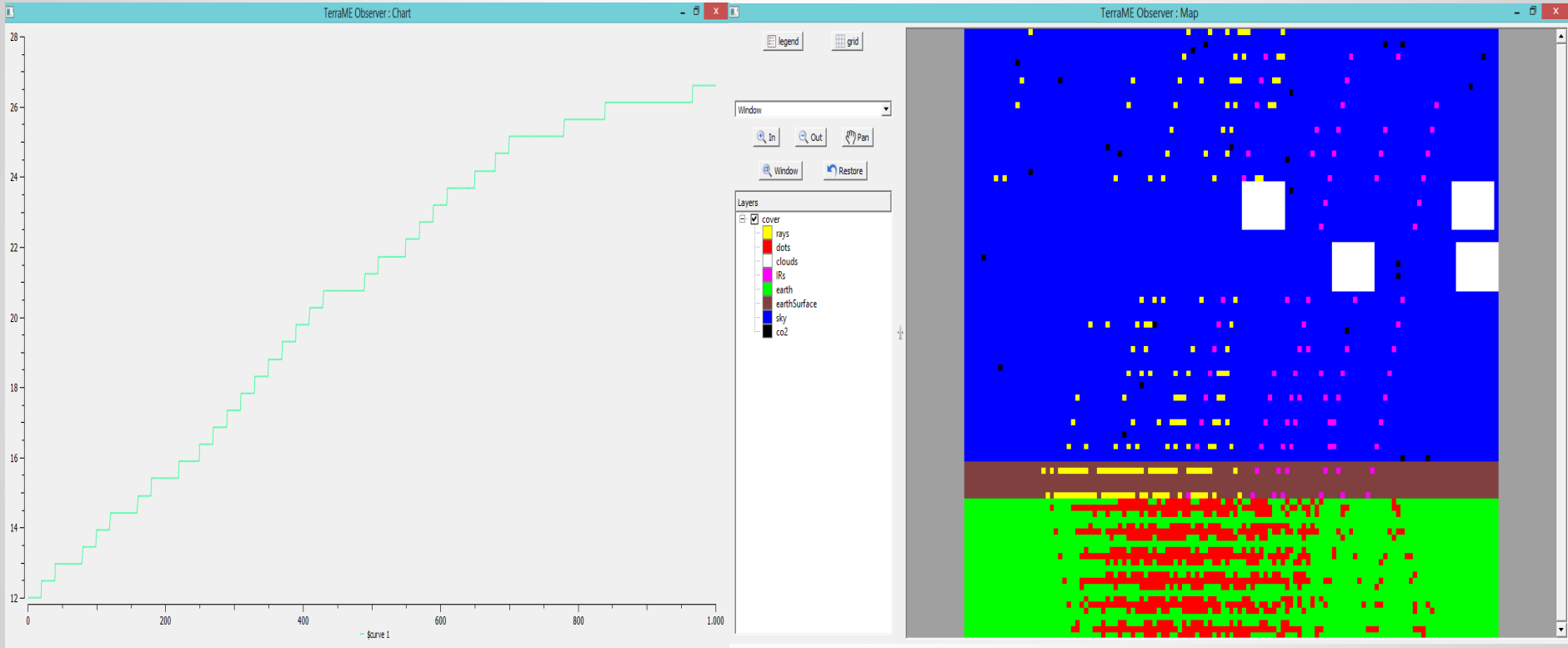
When there are two clouds and no co2 molecules(Albedo: Earth-0.6 & Clouds-0.7)

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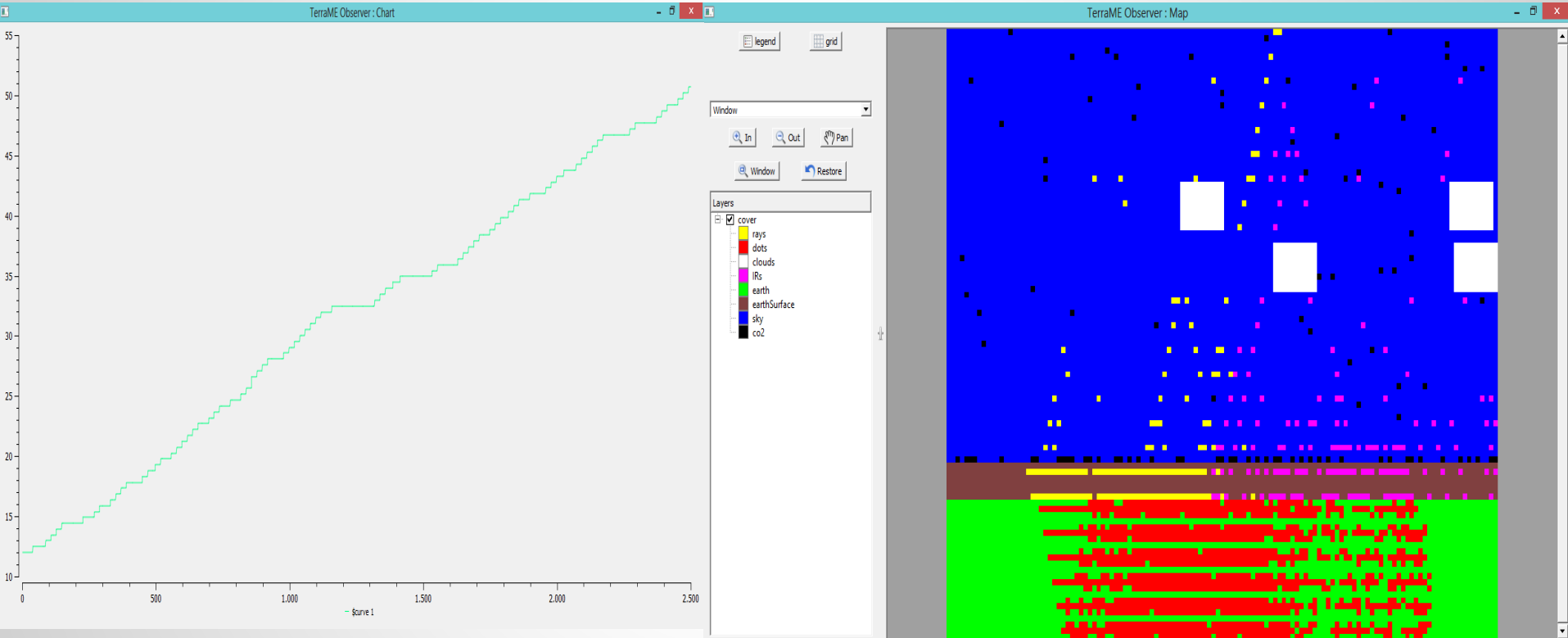
When there are no clouds and 100 co2 molecules(Albedo: Earth-0.6 & Clouds-0.7)

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When there are two clouds and 25 co2 molecules(Albedo: Earth-0.6 & Clouds-0.7)

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When there are two clouds and 100 co2 molecules(Albedo: Earth-0.6 & Clouds-0.7)

Extending the Model

1. Try to model the clouds in irregular shapes based on different cloud types like Cirras,etc.
2. Adding different features on Earth with different albedo like snow, vegetation, water bodies, etc.
3. Try to vary the angle of sunlight and its impact on albedo.
4. Try to add symbols for different features like rays, IRs, CO2 molecules, etc
5. Try to replicate ray behaviour to reflected rays and IRs
6. Try to control the number of clouds in the atmosphere.

References

This model is based on model which can be found at: <http://ccl.northwestern.edu/netlogo/models/ClimateChange>, created by Uri Wilensky

Model on the address above is based on an earlier version created in 2005 by Robert Tinker for the TELS project.

Image from Nasa: <http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/Features/EnergyBalance/page5.php>

Thank You! Comments?

