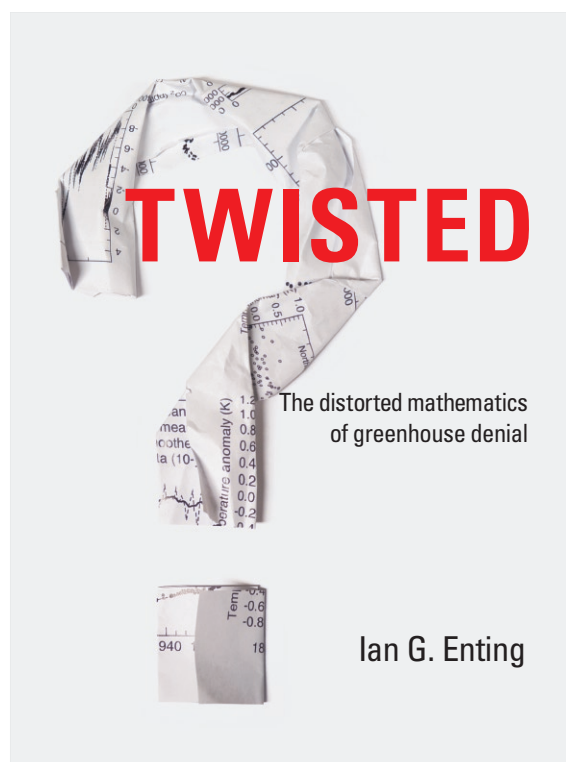


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The distorted mathematics of greenhouse denial

Highlighting the use of mathematics and statistics to inform and disinform public debate



About the book

Enting's analysis exposes the numerous contradictions in the arguments of the 'greenhouse sceptics' and suggests they are far from constituting an alternative to mainstream climate science.

Simple graphical illustrations are used to show that some representations of the data are misleading. In other cases quotes from the sceptics are lined up side by side to show that what passes, in public debate, for an alternative view of the science is an inconsistent set of fragments.

....importantly this book shows, in a non-technical way, how these scams are being foisted into public discussion.

Finally the author presents calculations of the actual emission levels that would be required to stabilise CO₂ concentrations. This is an update of calculations that he contributed to the pre-Kyoto IPCC report: *Radiative Forcing of Climate Change*. The new calculations demonstrate the extent to which delays in mitigation have increased the difficulty in stabilising greenhouse gases. This defines the real cost of greenhouse denial.

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