

1 **Assessing carbon greenhouse gas emissions from aquaculture in**
2 **China based on aquaculture system types, species, environmental**
3 **conditions and management practices**

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27 **ABSTRACT**

28 Aquaculture is one of the fastest growing food production sectors in China, but many of
29 the small-hold operations are poorly assessed for their climate impact. We analyzed the
30 literature data on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes from various aquaculture systems in China. The
31 mean fluxes varied from -382.45 to 551.88 g CO₂-C m⁻² yr⁻¹ and -0.03 to 565.09 g CH₄-
32 C m⁻² yr⁻¹. Aquaculture system reclaimed from mudflat had the highest CH₄ emission
33 (54.92 ± 21.00 g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) but lowest CO₂ emission. Shrimp aquaculture and semi-
34 intensive farming tended to yield higher CH₄ emission. Small and shallow systems had
35 significantly higher CO₂ and CH₄ emissions, with chlorophyll *a* and dissolved oxygen
36 concentrations among the main environmental drivers. Management practice such as
37 drainage, exposure and desilting during the non-farming period significantly decreased
38 CH₄ emission. We estimated that aquaculture systems in China emitted 181.66 Tg CO₂-
39 eq yr⁻¹, enough to offset ~7% of the national terrestrial carbon sink, with most of the
40 emission concentrated in coastal provinces and along the major rivers in the southeastern
41 quadrant. This study highlights the need to account for carbon greenhouse gas emissions
42 from aquaculture to improve the accuracy of the regional and national carbon budgets.

43 **Keywords:** Carbon dioxide (CO₂); Methane (CH₄); Aquaculture systems; management
44 practices; Global warming potential (GWP); Global climate change

1. Introduction

Increasing level of atmospheric greenhouse gases (GHGs) is a global climate challenge (Fang et al., 2018; IPCC, 2021). Carbon dioxide (CO₂) and methane (CH₄) are two important GHGs, accounting for approximately 60% and 20% of the atmospheric radiative forcing, respectively (World Meteorological Organization, 2021). CO₂ and CH₄ emissions from terrestrial aquatic systems such as rivers, lakes, reservoirs and wetlands are estimated at 1.2 – 2.1 Pg C yr⁻¹ (Raymond et al., 2013) and 0.65 Pg C yr⁻¹ (CO₂-eq) (Bastviken et al., 2011), respectively, enough to offset the majority of the terrestrial carbon sink (Aufdenkampe et al., 2011; Langeveld et al., 2019).

There is increasing evidence that the climate importance of aquatic systems may have been underestimated because the existing GHG budget largely ignores the contribution from small and shallow water bodies (Peacock et al., 2021; Yang et al., 2020a; Zhang et al., 2021), and large variability in GHG emissions due to human disturbances remains poorly resolved (Yuan et al., 2019; Van Bergen et al., 2019). There are estimated 3.2×10^9 small shallow ponds globally, both natural and man-made, covering a total area of approximately 8.0×10^7 ha (Downing, 2010; Holgerson and Raymond, 2016). Assessment of GHG fluxes in shallow ponds, especially aquaculture systems, has attracted much attention in recent years (IPCC, 2021; Liu et al., 2016; Xiao et al., 2017; Yuan et al., 2021) due to their role as potential hotspots for CO₂ and CH₄ emissions (Laurion et al., 2010; Peacock et al., 2019). Compared with natural water bodies, aquaculture systems have much higher biological density and productivity

(Tong et al., 2021) and enrichment from fertilizer and feeds (Kosten et al., 2020; Naskar et al., 2020; Ye et al., 2022). These conditions tend to favor high respiration and methanogenic rates, leading to high CO₂ and CH₄ emissions (Chanda et al., 2019; Kosten et al., 2020; Rutegwa et al., 2019; Yang et al., 2021).

China has the largest land-based aquaculture industry in the world in terms of areal coverage, reaching $\sim 2.57 \times 10^6$ ha (Chen et al., 2016; FAO, 2018), equivalent to 7.2% of China's terrestrial water area. Driven by the declining natural fishery resources and strong demand for aquatic products, aquaculture in coastal and inland areas has grown (China Fisheries Yearbook, 2019). China's land-based aquaculture systems can be classified into coastal wetland reclamation system (CWRS), inland pond system (IPS), lake/reservoir system (LRS) and rice-field system (RFS) (Liu et al., 2016; Pu et al., 2022; Yang et al., 2018), with water salinity ranging from fresh to brackish. The primary farmed organisms include fish, shrimp, crab and mixed culture (Hu et al., 2020; Wu et al., 2018; Chen et al., 2016). The aquaculture intensity level ranges from ecological stocking to extensive, semi-intensive and intensive (Ding et al., 2020). Management practices also vary in terms of aeration, frequency of water change, drainage and other aspects (Kauffman et al., 2018; Liu et al., 2016; Maher et al., 2019). These variations will likely affect the biogeochemical conditions that determine CO₂ and CH₄ emissions, but detailed comparisons are limited (Bhattacharyya et al., 2013; Sun et al., 2019).

To fill this knowledge gap, we conducted a comprehensive analysis of data from 132 aquaculture sites in China. The specific objectives of this study were: 1) to quantify the differences in CO₂ and CH₄ emissions across the different land-based aquaculture

systems and species; 2) to explore the impact of management methods and key environmental variables in controlling CO₂ and CH₄ emissions; and 3) to assess the combined global warming effect of CO₂ and CH₄ emissions from aquaculture systems in China.

2. Materials and Methods

2.1. Data sources and selection criteria

Data of CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes were collected from peer-reviewed journal articles and dissertations in Web of Science (<http://www.webofknowledge.com/>), Google Scholar (<http://scholar.google.com>) and China Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI, <http://www.cnki.net>). “GHGs or CO₂ or CH₄ flux”, “aquaculture ecosystem or small pond or shallow lake / reservoir or rice field” and “fish or shrimp or crab or mixed aquaculture” were used as search words for the period of 2008 – 2022.

Initial data were filtered according to five criteria: 1) Data were collected in China, including at least one aquaculture system classified as CWRS, IPS, LRS or RFS; 2) Data were from land-based aquaculture systems, excluding marine aquaculture systems such as cage, ranch and bottom seeding; 3) Data covered at least one production cycle, namely the farming period, to minimize short-term noise; 4) Data covered at least one GHG, CO₂ or CH₄; 5) Gas fluxes were either derived from laboratory measurements of water samples (e.g. intensive systems) or directly measured *in situ* (all systems).

2.2. Data extraction

A total of 132 aquaculture sites were identified based on 62 published papers and

dissertations for the comprehensive analysis (full list in Supplementary Material [Table S1–S4](#)), including 32 CWRS, 53 IPS, 23 LRS and 24 RFS, spanning from tropical to temperate latitudes ([Fig. 1](#)). We divided the sites into four farming intensity levels according to [Yuan et al. \(2019\)](#): ecological stocking, extensive, semi-intensive and intensive. CO₂ and CH₄ emission fluxes were measured by floating chamber (*in situ*) or derived from headspace equilibrium and thin boundary layer model, both common methods for determining GHG fluxes across the water-air interface. Numerical values were obtained from the papers or dissertations directly where available; otherwise, they were extracted from digitized graphs using the Image Digitization Tool in OriginPRO 2021.

In addition to CO₂ and CH₄ emission fluxes, we also recorded the geographical coordinates (longitudes and latitudes), aquaculture species, management information and environmental data ([Table S5–S8](#)). Management information included the use of aeration, system treatment during non-farming period, plant planting, water salinity and micro topography (water depth and area). Environmental data included mean annual air temperature, mean annual precipitation, water temperature, water pH, dissolved oxygen (DO), Chlorophyll-*a* (Chl-*a*), dissolved organic carbon (DOC), total dissolved nitrogen (TDN), ammonium nitrogen (NH₄⁺-N), and nitrate nitrogen concentrations (NO₃⁻-N). When necessary, missing values for air temperature and precipitation were filled in with data from WorldClim (<http://www.worldclim.org/>) for the corresponding locations.

Since CH₄ has a stronger warming effect (~45 times of CO₂ over a 100-year time horizon; [Neubauer and Megonigal, 2015](#)) than CO₂, we calculated the combined annual

CO₂-equivalent emission (t CO₂-eq ha⁻¹ yr⁻¹) from the aquaculture systems with the following equation:

$$\text{CO}_2\text{-equivalent emission} = \frac{1}{100} \times \left(\frac{44}{12} F_{\text{CO}_2} + 45 \times \frac{16}{12} F_{\text{CH}_4} \right) \quad (1)$$

where F_{CO_2} and F_{CH_4} are the carbon fluxes for the respective gases (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹; positive values for emission); 44/12 and 16/12 are coefficients to convert carbon masses of CO₂ and CH₄ to the respective gas masses; 45 is the factor to convert CH₄ to CO₂-equivalent emission (100-year time horizon); and 1/100 is the unit conversion factor.

2.3. Calculation of aquaculture-GHG flux in China

Based on the mean fluxes of CO₂ and CH₄ during the farming period for the different aquaculture system types (CWRS, IPS, LRS and RFS), we multiplied them by the system-specific areal coverage in each province ([China Fisheries Yearbook, 2019](#); [Tan et al., 2019](#); [Yuan et al., 2019](#)) to calculate the spatial distributions and magnitudes of aquaculture-GHG fluxes across China. Species information was not included in the calculation because it was not always available. Estimates from river-ditch and other aquaculture waters were excluded due to their relatively small area (~3.55% of the national land aquaculture area) and the absence of relevant data for GHG fluxes. In addition, the investigation sites used in this study were basically located in eastern China, the traditionally hot spots for aquaculture, while the data of arid and semi-arid areas in the west were scarce.

2.4. Statistical analysis

All statistics were performed in SPSS 25.0 (Chicago, IL, USA). Data were checked

for normality and homogeneity of variance, and Tukey transformation was applied when necessary. Non-parametric test (Kruskal-Wallis) was used for data that failed to meet the requirements after conversion. Effects of aquaculture systems, species and management methods on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes were examined by analysis of variance (ANOVA). Linear and logarithmic regression analysis were conducted to explore the relationship between CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes and environmental variable. Statistical significance was tested at the level of 0.05. Boosted regression tree model (BRT) was used to evaluate the relative importance of different variables in determining CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes, using the package “gbm” in the Rstudio version 1.0.143 (<http://www.rstudio.com/>). More details of BRT model operation and prediction are included in the Supplementary Material. Aquaculture site map was generated using ArcGIS 10.2 (ESRI, Redlands, CA). The statistical results were plotted using Origin 2022 (Origin Lab Corporation, Northampton, MA, USA). Data are presented as mean ± SE.

3. Results

3.1. Variations in GHGs fluxes among aquaculture systems and species

CO₂ flux value ranged from -382.45 to 551.88 g C m⁻² yr⁻¹, with 23% of the sites showing a net uptake, whereas CH₄ flux value ranged from -0.03 to 565.09 g C m⁻² yr⁻¹.

There were significant variations in CO₂ flux among the different aquaculture systems ($P < 0.01$; [Table S9](#)), being highest in RFS (509.13 g C m⁻² yr⁻¹), followed by

IPS (107.14 ± 23.67) and LRS (107.67 ± 28.75) (Fig. 2a–d). CO₂ flux in CWRS was relatively low, ranging from -119.59 to 167.96 g C m⁻² yr⁻¹, with over 40% of the data showing a net CO₂ uptake especially for mixed species culture. Nevertheless, there was no overall significance difference among farmed species ($P > 0.05$; Table S9).

Large variations in CH₄ fluxes were observed among the different aquaculture systems ($P < 0.001$) and species ($P = 0.003$; Table S9). Mean CH₄ flux (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) was 57.92 ± 21.00 in CWRS, 40.48 ± 14.47 in IPS and 29.60 ± 4.45 in RFS (Fig. 2e–h), and it was much lower in LRS (6.32 ± 3.55). Among the different farmed species, CH₄ flux (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) was highest for shrimp (80.43 ± 25.23), followed by fish (30.75 ± 8.63), crab (22.05 ± 6.24) and mixed species (6.98 ± 2.71).

The combined GHG emissions of CWRS, IPS, and RFS differed slightly, averaging 35.26, 28.21 and 36.43 t CO₂-eq ha⁻¹ yr⁻¹, respectively, with CH₄ as a substantial or the dominant component (Fig 2i, j, l). In comparison, LRS emitted less than 8 t CO₂-eq ha⁻¹ yr⁻¹ (Fig 2k).

3.2. Influence of aquaculture management on GHG emissions

Farming intensity. CO₂ flux (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) decreased in the order of intensive (294.37 ± 110.08) > ecological stocking (105.33 ± 80.74) > extensive (96.96 ± 20.44) > semi-intensive (45.68 ± 19.24) (Fig. 3). CH₄ flux (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) decreased in the order of semi-intensive (57.28 ± 15.33) > extensive (24.78 ± 6.53) > intensive (3.47 ± 1.65) > ecological stocking (2.25 ± 0.73) (Fig. 3). Overall, intensive aquaculture had a significantly higher CO₂ emission flux but lower CH₄ emission flux than semi-intensive and extensive aquaculture ($P < 0.05$).

Aeration. The average CH₄ flux was $15.80 \pm 5.02 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ in systems with aeration, and significantly higher in systems without aeration, at $60.78 \pm 12.35 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ ($P < 0.05$; Table 1). In contrast, CO₂ flux showed negligible difference between aerated systems ($44.36 \pm 24.49 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) and non-aerated systems ($45.91 \pm 19.02 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) ($P > 0.05$; Table 1).

Aquatic plants. Although the effects were not statistically significant, the presence of aquatic plants tended to result in 42.7% lower CO₂ and 28.5% lower CH₄ emissions on average (Table 1).

Area and depth. Systems smaller than 1 hectare in size had significantly higher CO₂ flux ($78.19 \pm 43.73 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) and CH₄ flux ($87.65 \pm 28.86 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) than those of larger size ($33.62 \pm 19.53 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ as CO₂ and $26.91 \pm 7.98 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ as CH₄) ($P < 0.05$; Table 1). Shallower system (< 1.2 m) had significantly higher CH₄ flux ($57.40 \pm 13.93 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) than deeper system (> 2.0 m; $16.41 \pm 14.52 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) ($P < 0.05$; Table 1). CO₂ flux also tended to increase with shallower depth, although the difference was not significant ($P > 0.05$; Table 1).

Water salinity. Significant differences in CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes were observed across the salinity spectrum (Table 1). CH₄ flux in high-salt systems (> 5‰) was only $9.17 \pm 5.87 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, equivalent to 8.6% and 23.1% of that in low-salt and freshwater systems, respectively ($P < 0.05$). CO₂ flux decreased with increasing salinity and became negative in high-salt systems, indicating a net CO₂ uptake (Table 1).

Management practice in non-farming period. The different ways farmers treated their aquaculture systems during the non-farming period significantly affected CH₄ flux

but not CO₂ flux (Table 1). In particular, draining, exposing and desilting the systems (practice III) led to ~97% less CH₄ emission ($P < 0.05$).

3.3. Relationship between GHGs and environmental factors

Linear and logarithmic regressions between CO₂ or CH₄ fluxes and environmental variables are shown in Fig. 4. CO₂ flux was positively correlated with inorganic nitrogen concentrations (NH₄⁺-N and NO₃⁻-N), and negatively with pH and Chl-*a* concentration ($P < 0.001$, Fig. 4a–d). CH₄ flux was positively correlated with water temperature, Chl-*a* and DOC concentrations, and negatively with DO ($P \leq 0.001$, Fig. 4e–h).

BRT model was used to rank the environmental variables in influencing GHG fluxes. Chl-*a* had the largest influence (54%) on CO₂ flux, followed by pH (19.9%), DO (10.7%) and inorganic nitrogen (NH₄⁺ and NO₃⁻ combined 13.1%) (Fig. 5a). For CH₄ flux, Chl-*a* (38.9%), DOC (22.8%) and DO (18.5%) were the most important factors (Fig. 5b).

3.4. Spatial distribution of aquaculture-GHG emissions in China

Based on government statistics on the areas of CWRS, IPS, LRS, and RFS across China, the total annual CO₂ and CH₄ emissions from land-based aquaculture were estimated to be 14.98 and 2.20 Tg C yr⁻¹, respectively (Fig. 6a and 6b). This is equivalent to 0.94% and 5.50% of the national anthropogenic CO₂ and CH₄ emissions, respectively. The combined emission was 181.66 Tg CO₂-eq yr⁻¹ (Fig. 6c). Among the different types of aquaculture systems, IPS and RFS made the largest contributions based on their geographical coverage, at 74.61 and 69.35 Tg CO₂-eq yr⁻¹, respectively.

4. Discussion

4.1. CO₂ flux in different aquaculture systems

Our study showed that the biogeochemical conditions within the aquaculture systems had significant effects on CO₂ flux (Fig. 4). In addition to the farmed animals, many of the systems contained high abundances of algae. Photosynthesis by algae would draw down CO₂, resulting in a negative correction between CO₂ flux and Chl-*a* concentration (Fig. 4b). Indeed, photosynthetic draw-down due to the high Chl-*a* concentration in CWRS (Fig. S1d) was strong enough to cause a negative CO₂ flux (net absorption) (Fig. 2a). Water pH can influence CO₂ flux by shifting the chemical equilibrium within the carbonate system (Soumis et al., 2004). Higher pH favors the conversion of CO₂ and HCO₃⁻ to CO₃²⁻, thereby decreases *p*CO₂ and promotes the dissolution of atmospheric CO₂ into the water (Aimé et al., 2018; Olsson et al., 2015; Pacheco et al., 2015; Zhang et al., 2019), which is consistent with the significant negative correlation between CO₂ flux and pH we observed (Fig. 4a). Interestingly, RFS had a high pH (Fig. S1b) and the highest CO₂ emission among all systems (Fig. 2d). Compared to other aquaculture systems, the usually higher biomass (rice and aquatic animals) in RFS would lead to higher respiration rate and CO₂ emission flux. CO₂ flux was positively related to inorganic nitrogen (NH₄⁺-N and NO₃⁻-N; Fig. 4d), reflecting the results of microbial remineralization of organic nitrogen in the system.

Farmed animals are an important source of CO₂ emission (Ma et al., 2018; Mermillod-Blondin and Rosenberg, 2006; Sejr et al., 2014; Liu et al., 2016) based on

their respiration capacity and trophic characteristics (Scofield et al., 2016; Sidik and Lovelock, 2013). Larger animals tend to have a greater contribution to CO₂ emission per individual (Chanda et al., 2019; Yang et al., 2018; Zhang et al., 2019), while filter feeders such as *Hypophthalmichthys molitrix* and *Aristichthys nobilis*, both popular farmed fish species in China, consume microalgae in the water and decrease photosynthetic draw-down of CO₂ (Chen et al., 2016). Nevertheless, we found no significant differences in CO₂ flux among fish, crab, shrimp and mixed species cultures (Table S9). While shrimp is considerably smaller in size than fish and crab, shrimp and mixed aquaculture often has a higher stocking density that results in an overall high respiratory CO₂ emission from the system.

4.2. CH₄ flux in different aquaculture systems

All of the aquaculture systems we examined were a stronger source of atmospheric CH₄ than lakes, reservoirs and rivers (Chen et al., 2021; Delsontro et al., 2016; Ding et al., 2005; Li et al., 2018). Aquaculture systems have high organic loading from feeds and animal wastes that would fuel methanogenesis (Tong et al., 2021; Yuan et al., 2021), as evidenced by the positive correlation between CH₄ flux and DOC (Fig. 4h). Also, the high respiration rates from microbes and farmed animals would create a low-oxygen environment that favors CH₄ production and transport (Sun et al., 2019; Yang et al., 2019), consistent with the observed negative correlation between CH₄ flux and DO (Fig. 4f). There was also a significant difference in CH₄ flux among the different aquaculture systems (Table S9). LRS located in the open water of lakes and reservoirs would have more water movement leading to a higher DO (Fig. S1c). In contrast, the more enclosed

and stagnant nature of CWRS, IPS, and FRS would allow the accumulation of DOC and nutrients (Fig. S1e–i) and depletion of DO (Fig. S1c), which would favor methanogenesis (Fang et al., 2022; Holgerson et al., 2016; Zhu et al., 2016). Consequently, CH₄ fluxes in CWRS, IPS and FRS were all an order of magnitude higher than LRS (Fig. 2e–h).

Across all data, CH₄ flux was positively correlated with water temperature over a 17 °C range (Fig. 4e). Higher temperature would not only increase microbial activity in CH₄ production, but also decrease gas solubility and increase its transport through ebullition and diffusion across the water-air interface. Nevertheless, the low r-square value (0.13) of the regression means that water temperature was a minor factor. Another interesting observation was the positive correlation between CH₄ flux and Chl-*a* (Fig. 4g). In addition to contributing organic substrates for anaerobic methanogenesis, recent research has shown that some phytoplankton may produce CH₄ directly (Bižić et al., 2020; Günthel et al., 2020; Klintzsch et al., 2019), a phenomenon known as ‘oxic methane production’ that is widespread in aquatic habitats (Bogard et al., 2014; Günthel et al., 2019; Tang et al., 2016). It is worth noting that some of the high CH₄ flux values were observed in well-oxygenated water (>6 mg DO L⁻¹) and that clearly deviated from the main trend (Fig. 4f), suggesting a possible role of oxic methane production in the systems (Tang et al., 2014).

In terms of farmed species, shrimp aquaculture had a much higher CH₄ flux than fish and crab aquaculture (Fig. 2e–h; Table S9). The higher stocking density and larger amounts of feeds used in shrimp aquaculture compared to the other species would

deplete DO (Holgerson, 2015; Van Bergen et al., 2019) and increase CH₄ production (Chen et al., 2016; Chatvijitkul et al., 2017; Yang et al., 2015). Consistent with others' observations (Fang et al., 2022; Yang et al., 2015), mixed species aquaculture had lower CH₄ flux than monoculture (Fig. 2e, f), likely because of the higher efficiency for mixed species to utilize organic matters within the water column and decrease organic input into the sediment for methanogenesis (Hu et al., 2016; Zhang et al., 2022). For example, large fish use feed directly, while their feces and detritus can be utilized by filter-feeders, omnivorous shrimp or crabs.

4.3. *Effects of aquaculture management on GHG fluxes*

Our results showed that CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes were affected by management measures (Table 1). While high farming intensity increased CO₂ flux due to the higher biological activities, it decreased CH₄ flux likely because of the use of aeration and more precise feeding and water quality regulation (Fig. 3).

Aeration had no significant effect on CO₂ flux, but it decreased CH₄ flux by 75% (Table 1). Most of the aerating devices used by farmers were impeller machines. Aeration would not only increase the DO level to inhibit anaerobic methanogenesis, but the physical mechanism of the impellers would break CH₄ bubbles, thereby decreasing the effectiveness of ebullition as the main CH₄ emission pathway (Tong et al., 2021; Yang et al., 2020b). Other type of aerator, such as bottom micropore oxygenation equipment, have even stronger oxygenation effect near the sediments (Ding et al., 2020; Hu et al., 2016) and may further decrease CH₄ production in the systems.

Planting aquatic plants was necessary to provide habitat and natural feed for some

aquaculture species like *Eriocheir sinensis* and *Ctenopharyngodon idella*. Several scholars have observed that aquatic vegetation increased CH₄ emissions by 14 to 128 % (Ding et al., 2020; Liu et al., 2016; Ma et al., 2018), while others found a reduction in GHG emissions (Lin et al., 2013). Our data showed that the presence of aquatic plants decreased CO₂ and CH₄ emissions, albeit not significantly (Table 1). The effects of aquatic vegetation on GHG dynamics can be variable: Aquatic plants not only provide organic substrates for CO₂ / CH₄ production and vascular tissues for transport (Sorrell and Boon, 1994; van der Nat and Middelburg, 1998), but they photosynthetically absorb CO₂ and release O₂ into the rhizosphere to promote oxidation (Calhoun and King, 1997; Fritz et al., 2011; Laanbroek et al., 2010). The effects of aquatic plants can be complex and variable, which may depend on the plant species and their positions in the systems.

GHG emissions varied significantly based on the size (depth and area) of the aquaculture system (Table 1). Smaller systems meant higher concentrations of organic and nutrients (Holgerson and Raymond, 2016; Natchimuthu et al., 2017) and higher biological density, leading to higher respiratory CO₂ output per unit area. Furthermore, a smaller surface area also limited oxygen dissolution from air. At the same time, a shallower depth helps to reduce the oxidation probability as sedimentary CH₄ travels through the water column, thereby increasing its emission to air (Herbeck et al., 2013; Natchimuthu et al., 2014). Under the combined effect of these factors, high levels of CO₂ and CH₄ emissions were observed in small-scale aquaculture systems (Table 1).

Aquaculture systems from reclaimed coastal marshes and mudflats tend to have higher salinity than inland systems. Our data showed that higher salinity significantly

decreased CH₄ flux (Table 1) because the presence of SO₄²⁻ from seawater would allow sulfate reducers to outcompete methanogens (Wilson et al., 2015; Poffenbarger et al., 2011; Yang et al., 2018). Another interesting observation is the much lower CO₂ flux (including negative values) at the higher salinity (Table 1). Reclaimed coastal aquaculture systems are usually filled with saltwater drawn from nearby estuaries, which exposes terrestrial microbes to salinity stress and decreases their metabolism (Pivničková et al., 2010). Estuarine water also may contain higher background abundance of algae that could drawdown CO₂ via photosynthesis. As a management strategy to decrease GHG emission, water salinity can be raised artificially for aquatic products (e.g., *Litopenaeus Vannamei*) with a wide salinity tolerance.

Management method during the non-farming period varied among the farmers, from having minimal treatment (practice I), to drainage and exposure (II), to drainage, exposure and dredging (III). Most of the unconsumed feeds and organic wastes tend to accumulate in the sediment (Yang et al., 2022) which, if left untreated, could lead to high CH₄ production in the subsequent farming period. Exposure and desilting after drainage removes the organic deposition, disrupts the sediment methanogen community and reoxygenates the sediment, all leading to a much lower CH₄ emission (Tong et al., 2021), as supported by our findings (Table 1).

4.4. GHG emissions from aquaculture systems in China

The rapid increase in global aquaculture has raised concerns about its GHG emissions (MacLeod et al., 2020). The total aquaculture area in China has doubled while aquaculture production has increased by 41 times in the past four decades (Wang

et al., 2019), showing the rapid expansion and intensification of the sector. However, China's aquaculture sector is dominated by small-hold operations in rural areas without proper monitoring, creating a glaring data gap in assessing their environmental impacts. A very recent paper used conversion factors to estimate China's aquaculture GHG emissions from the operation (e.g., use of feeds, fertilizer and energy) and biomass harvest (Xu et al., 2022). Such an approach relies on questionable conversion factors and ignores the *in situ* biogeochemical conditions that regulate the conversion of excess carbon to CO₂ vs. CH₄ (Yang et al., 2020a). More importantly, that approach will not reveal negative CO₂ flux (indicating net absorption), such as what we found in CWRS (Fig. 2a) but which is important for proper auditing of the climate impact of aquaculture. In our study, we compiled GHG emission data that were measured directly or derived from empirical measurements, which showed large differences across the different aquaculture systems (Fig. 2; Table S9). The 25-fold variation in mean CO₂ flux and 9-fold variation in mean CH₄ flux highlight the importance to consider system-specific differences when assessing aquaculture-related GHG emissions.

Our calculations showed that aquaculture systems contributed a non-trivial portion of China's CH₄ emission. The combined emission, 181.66 Tg CO₂-eq yr⁻¹, was equivalent to approximately 7.51% of the 2010-2016 national terrestrial biosphere carbon sink (-2418.78 ± 1906.67 Tg CO₂-eq yr⁻¹) (Wang et al., 2020). Based on our estimation, while aquaculture systems in China accounted for only 0.22–0.56 % of the area of global terrestrial aquatic ecosystems (12.81 × 10⁶–32.91 × 10⁶ km²) (e.g., lakes, reservoirs, rivers, ponds and wetlands) (Deemer et al., 2016; Holgerson and

[Raymond 2016](#); [Melton et al. 2013](#); [Raymond et al. 2013](#)), they contributed 2.84% of the total CH₄ emission ([Bastviken et al., 2011](#)). This highlights the disproportionate significance of China's growing aquaculture sector in driving climate warming.

We also found large geographical variations in aquaculture-GHG emissions across China. Perhaps not surprisingly the most intense emissions came from provinces in the middle and lower reaches along the Yangtze River ([Fig. 6](#)). The spatial distribution of combined emission we obtained largely agreed with the finding by [Xu et al. \(2022\)](#), in that GHG emissions were concentrated in the coastal provinces and southeastern region, whereas the far north and northwestern regions had negligible emissions because the local climate was not favorable for aquaculture, with the caveat that data for those regions remain very scarce. There are also subtle differences between the two studies. For example, GHG contributions of the land-locked provinces of Sichuan and Hunan ranked more highly in our estimates than in their study. This difference can be partly attributed to the different approach we used to estimate the emissions (empirical, in situ measurements) and our considering system-specific differences in emissions (cf. [Xu et al., 2022](#)).

5. Conclusions

By analyzing the literature data, we showed that aquaculture systems in China were a net source of CO₂ and CH₄. There were substantial variations in GHG emissions based on aquaculture system type, environmental conditions, farmed species and management practices. The combined carbon emission was enough to offset ~7% of the

national terrestrial carbon burial, and the aquaculture systems had disproportionate significance in terms of CH₄ emission. We further estimated that across China, most of the aquaculture-GHG emissions were concentrated along the major rivers and the coastal region, although data for the north and northwestern regions remain very limited. With the continuous expansion and increasing intensification of the aquaculture sector in China, the study highlights its potential climate impact and the need for more rigorous monitoring and mitigation strategy for the sector.

Declaration of interest

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Table 1

CO₂, CH₄ and combined fluxes (mean ± SE) in aquaculture systems under different management conditions. Management practice in non-farming period: I = almost no drainage; II = drainage + exposure; III = drainage + exposure + desilting. Different superscripts indicate significant differences between management conditions in each of the categories ($P < 0.05$). ND means no data.

Management conditions	GHG flux (g C m ⁻² yr ⁻¹)		Combined flux (t CO ₂ -eq ha ⁻¹ yr ⁻¹)	Sample size
	CO ₂	CH ₄		
Aeration				
With	44.36 ± 24.49 ^a	15.80 ± 5.02 ^b	11.11 ± 3.91	<i>n</i> = 44
Without	45.91 ± 19.02 ^a	60.78 ± 12.35 ^a	38.15 ± 8.11	<i>n</i> = 36
Hydrophyte				
With	29.23 ± 11.05 ^a	30.56 ± 4.57 ^a	19.41 ± 3.15	<i>n</i> = 34
Without	51.53 ± 16.95 ^a	42.76 ± 10.16 ^a	27.55 ± 6.72	<i>n</i> = 59
Water depth				
< 1.2 m	48.35 ± 24.87 ^a	57.40 ± 13.93 ^a	36.21 ± 9.27	<i>n</i> = 33
1.2 m – 2.0 m	34.73 ± 26.66 ^a	41.93 ± 16.96 ^{ab}	26.43 ± 11.15	<i>n</i> = 27
> 2.0 m	23.24 ± 51.36 ^a	16.41 ± 14.52 ^b	10.70 ± 10.60	<i>n</i> = 7
Area				
< 1 hectare	78.19 ± 43.73 ^a	87.65 ± 28.86 ^a	55.46 ± 18.92	<i>n</i> = 25
> 1 hectare	33.62 ± 19.53 ^b	26.91 ± 7.98 ^b	17.38 ± 5.50	<i>n</i> = 28
Water salinity				
Freshwater (< 0.5‰)	111.48 ± 25.42 ^a	39.76 ± 8.19 ^a	27.94 ± 5.85	<i>n</i> = 75
Low-salt (0.5–5‰)	37.45 ± 19.66 ^{ab}	106.34 ± 52.71 ^a	65.18 ± 32.35	<i>n</i> = 10
High-salt (> 5‰)	-26.56 ± 22.33 ^b	9.17 ± 5.87 ^b	4.53 ± 4.34	<i>n</i> = 15
Management practice in non-farming period				
I	42.24 ± 30.37 ^a	90.84 ± 28.38 ^a	56.05 ± 18.14	<i>n</i> = 14
II	37.57 ± 22.31 ^a	114.16 ± 36.98 ^a	69.87 ± 23.01	<i>n</i> = 16
III	ND	2.52 ± 0.67 ^b	1.51 ± 0.40	<i>n</i> = 12

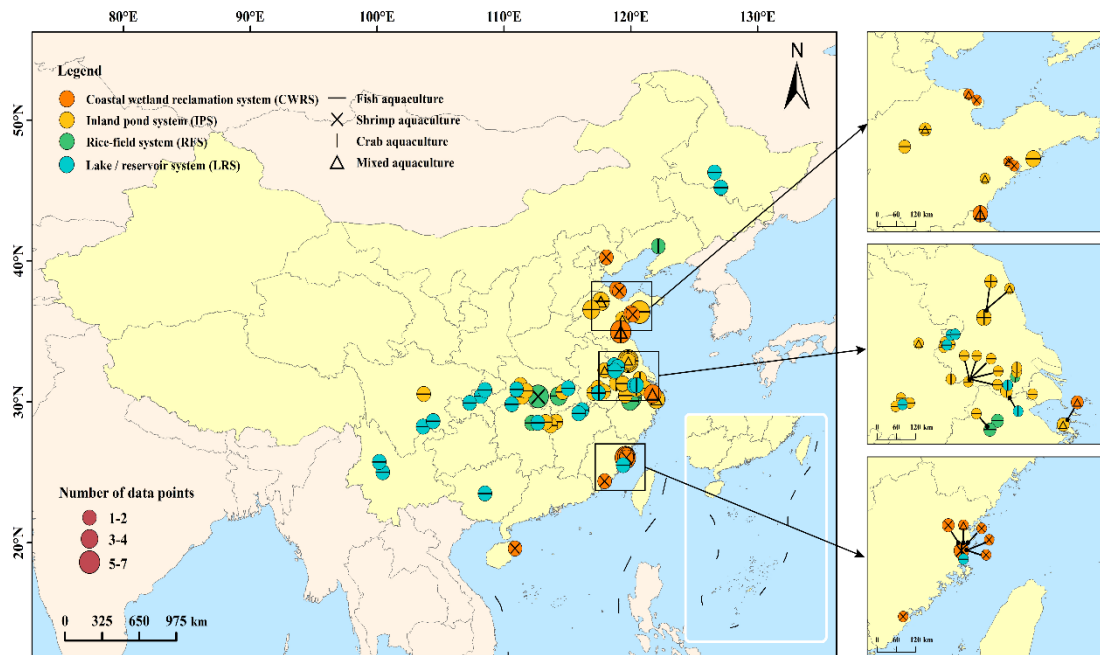


Fig. 1. Distribution of the study sites in China. Coastal wetland reclamation system (CWRs) is created by leveling, embankment and reclamation of the intertidal mudflat along the coast. Inland pond system (IPS) is artificially excavated ponds or natural ponds for extensive or semi-intensive aquaculture. Lake/reservoir system (LRS) is aquaculture operation that includes cage, fence or ecological stocking. Rice-field system (RFS) is artificial ditches in rice paddies. The symbols for aquaculture system are further marked for fish, shrimp, crab or mixed species farming. Details of data source are given in Table S1–S4.

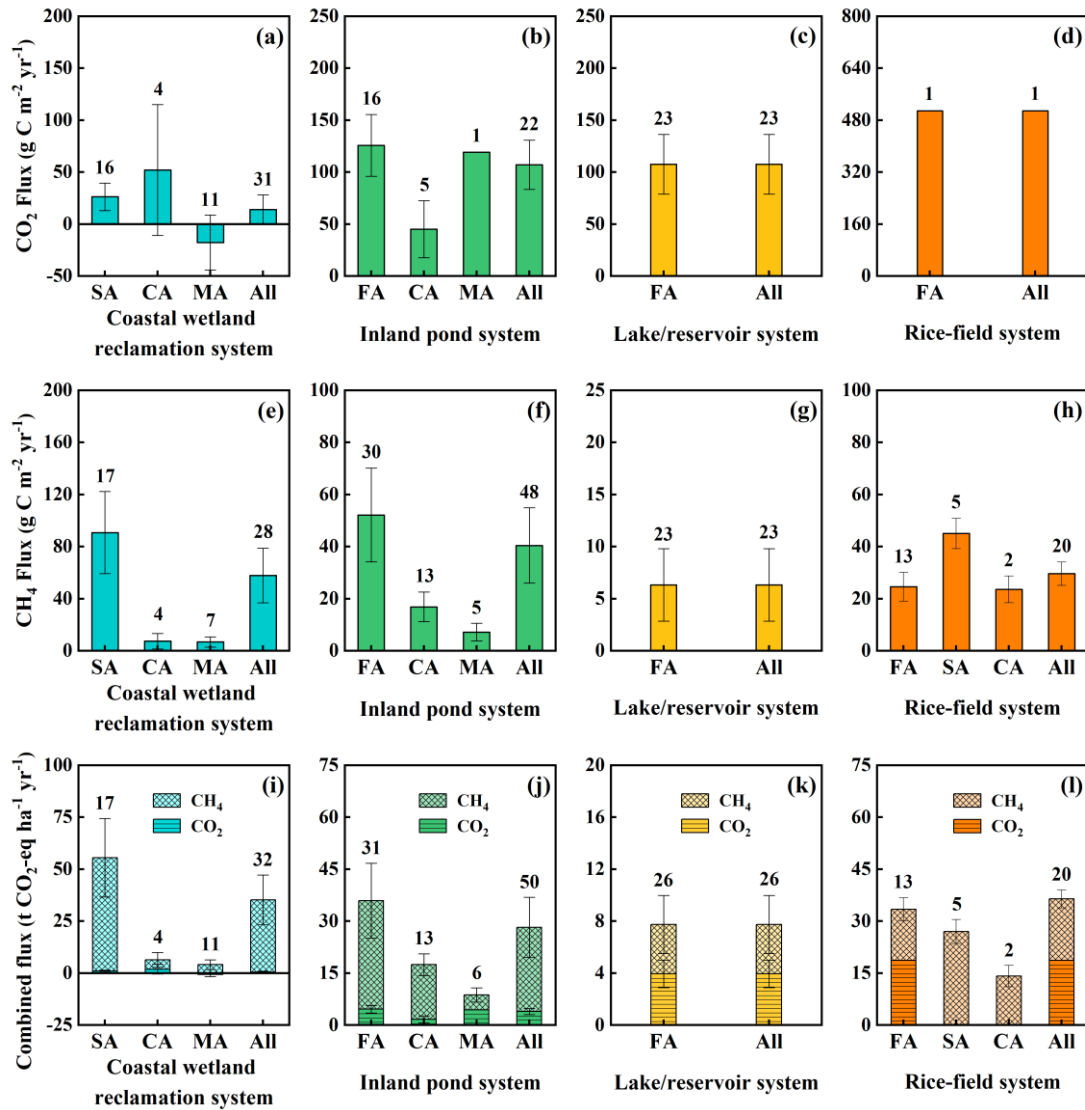


Fig. 2. CO₂, CH₄ and combined fluxes (mean ± SE) in mudflat reclamation system (a, e, i), inland pond system (b, f, j), lake/reservoir system (c, g, k) and rice-field system (d, h, l). Negative values indicate absorption. Numbers above the bars represent sample sizes. SA = shrimp aquaculture; FA = fish aquaculture; CA = crab aquaculture; MA = mixed aquaculture.

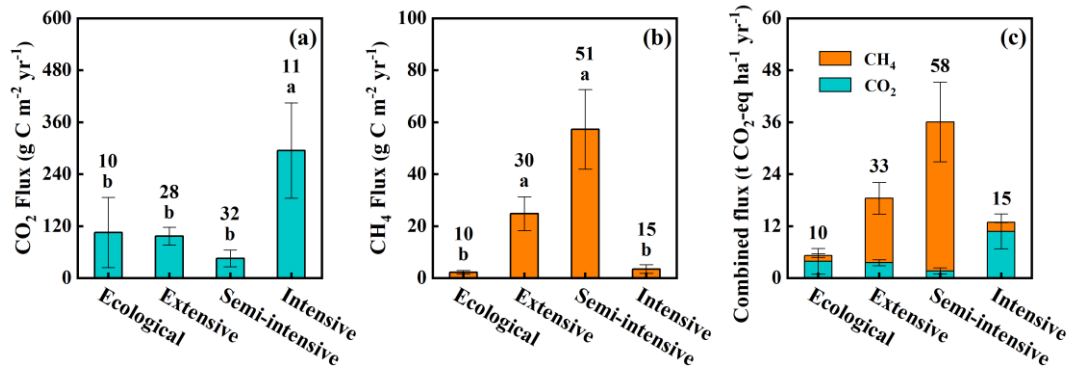


Fig. 3. CO₂, CH₄ and combined fluxes for the different farming intensity levels. Numbers above the bars represent sample sizes. Different letters above the bars indicate significance difference at $P < 0.05$.

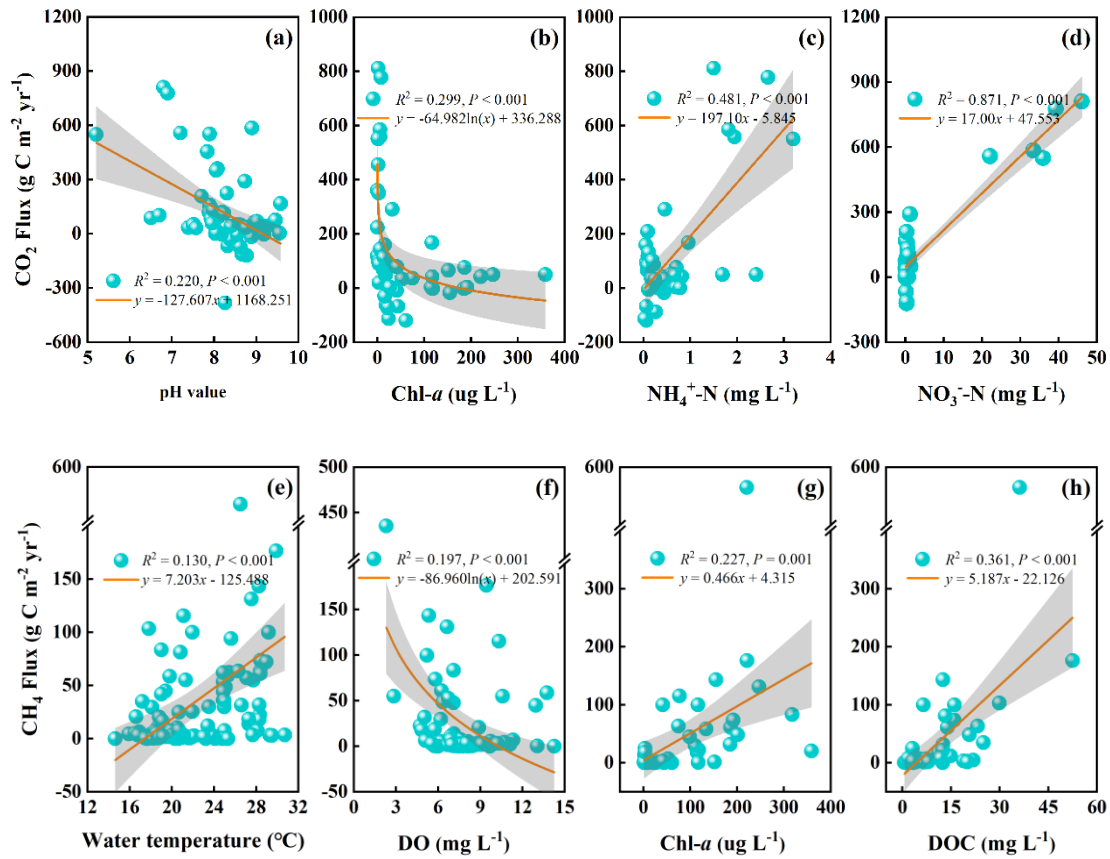


Fig. 4. Relationships between CO₂ (a-d) or CH₄ flux (e-h) and environmental variables. Red lines represent regressions fitted to the data; gray areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

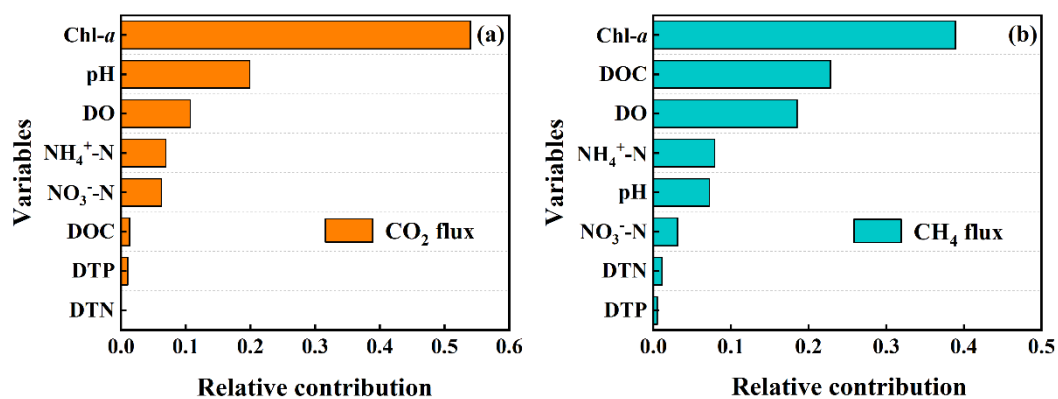


Fig. 5. Relative contributions of environmental variables to variations in (a) CO₂ and (b) CH₄ fluxes in BRT model. Chl-*a* = chlorophyll-*a*; DOC = dissolved organic carbon; DO = dissolved oxygen; NO₃⁻-N = nitrate nitrogen; NH₄⁺-N = ammonium nitrogen; DTP = dissolved total phosphorus; DTN = dissolved total nitrogen.

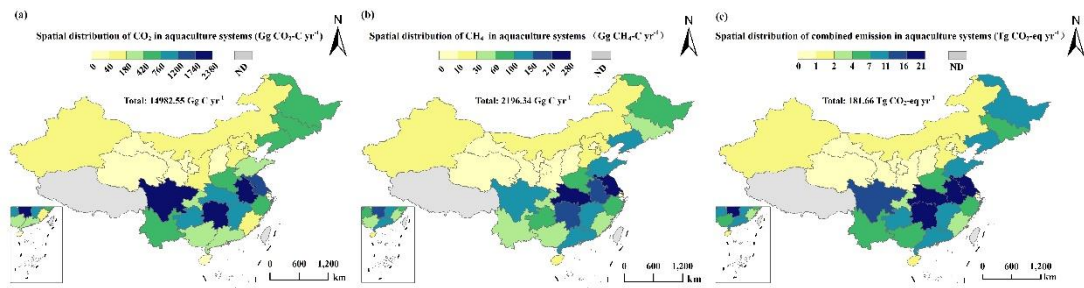


Fig. 6. Spatial distribution of (a) CO₂ emission, (b) CH₄ emission and (c) combined emission in different aquaculture systems across China. ND indicates no data.

Supplementary Material

Assessing carbon greenhouse gas emissions from aquaculture in China based on aquaculture system types, species, environmental conditions and management practices

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Supporting text

The environmental parameters of aquaculture waters were used in the boosted regression tree model (BRT) of CO₂ and CH₄ flux. In this BRT model, learning rate (*lr*) = 0.05, tree complexity (*tc*) = 5, and bag fraction = 0.5 with a Gaussian distribution were set (Elith et al., 2008; Tan et al., 2021). All BRT models were evaluated using percent (%) predictive deviance, where % predictive deviance = (mean total deviance – cross-validated (CV) deviance) / mean total deviance (Kuechle et al., 2019; Wintle et al., 2005).

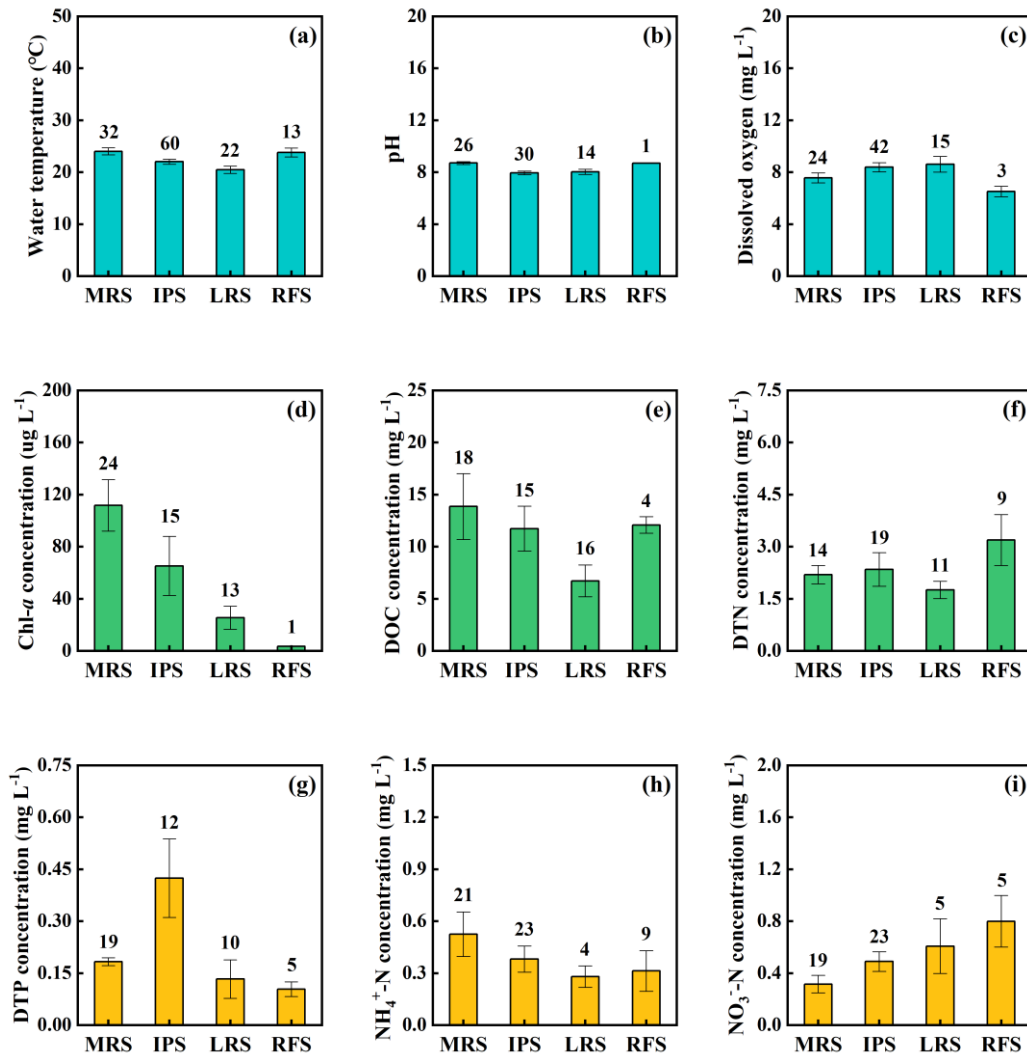


Fig. S1. Environmental variables (mean \pm SE) including water temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, Chlorophyll *a* (Chl-*a*), dissolved organic carbon (DOC), dissolved total nitrogen (DTN), dissolved total phosphorus (DTP), ammonia nitrogen (NH₄⁺-N), and nitrate nitrogen (NO₃⁻-N) concentrations among the different aquaculture systems: coastal wetland reclamation system (CWRS), inland pond system (IPS), lake/reservoir system (LRS) and rice-field system (RFS). Numbers above the bars are sample sizes.

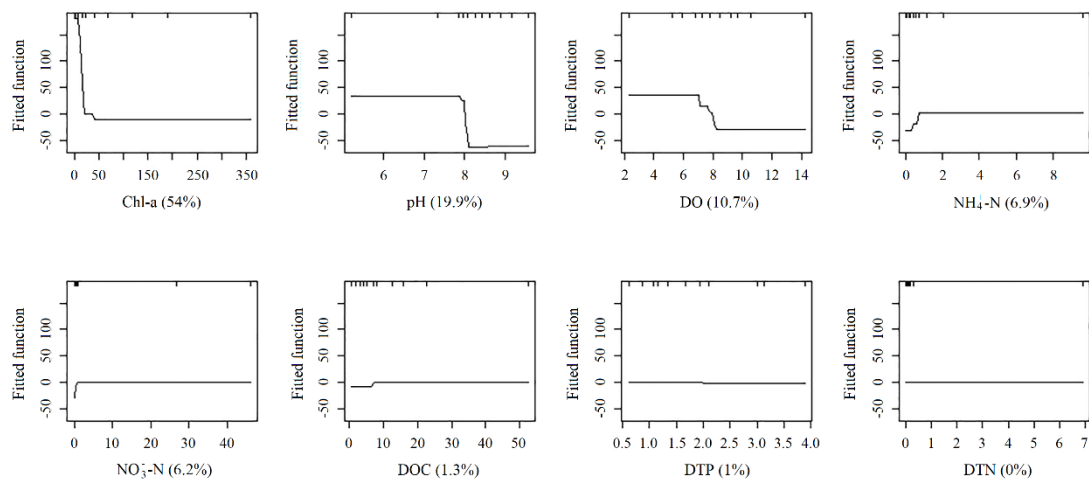


Fig. S2. Fitted functions of BRT model between CO₂ flux and environmental variables.

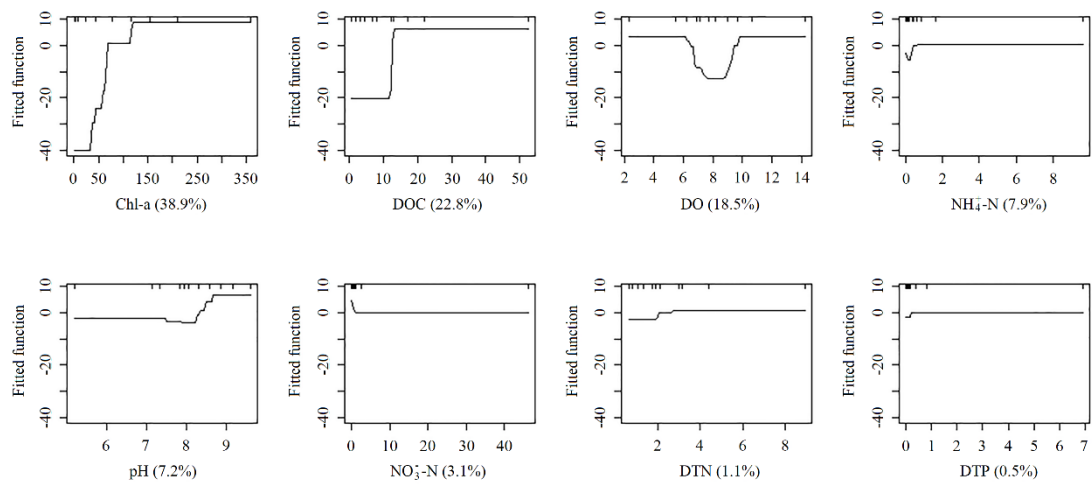


Fig. S3. Fitted functions of BRT model between CH₄ flux and environmental variables.

Table S1

Summary of literature information on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) and characteristics of coastal wetland reclamation system (CWRS). Negative flux values indicate absorption. Y = yes; N = no; salinity level is classified into high salt (> 5‰), low salt (0.5–5‰) and freshwater (< 0.5‰).

<i>CWRS</i> Location	Species	Longitude	Latitude	CO ₂	CH ₄	Aeration	Aquatic plant	Salinity level	Water depth (m)	Area (ha)	Intensity level	Management practice in non-farming period	Observation year	Reference
30 km north of the Yellow River Estuary	shrimp	119.10	37.85	-87.29	0.04		N	High salt			Semi -intensive		2013-2014	Song, H.L., Liu, X.T., Wen, B.L., 2017. Greenhouse gases fluxes at water-air interface of aquaculture ponds in the Yellow River

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	shrimp	119.57	26.04	-16.99	143.29	Y	N	Low salt	1.15	Semi -intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2017	Tong, C., Bastviken, D., Tang, K.W., Yang, P., et al., 2021. Annual CO ₂ and CH ₄ fluxes in coastal earthen ponds with	

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Song, H.L., Liu, X.T., 2016. Anthropogenic effects on fluxes of ecosystem respiration and methane in the Yellow

Dongying City, Shandong Province	Mixed	118.87	38.00	-97.54	0.02	N	High salt	1.75	Semi-intensive	2013
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Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	Mixed	119.20	34.97	-67.20	0.43	Y	N	High salt	2.30	1.02	Intensive	Drainage, desilting, sun exposure, frequent water change	2014	Zhang, D.X., Tian, X.L., Dong, S.L., Chen, Y., Feng, J., et al., 2020. Carbon budgets of two typical polyculture pond systems in coastal

China and their potential roles in the global carbon cycle. Aquacult. Env. Interac. 12, 105–115. et al., 2020

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Qingdao, Shandong Province	Shrimp	120.00	36.30	-9.53	99.84	N		Semi	Spring water change	2014
	Crab			20.18	25.26		High salt	-intensive		

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Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	Mixed	119.20	34.97	-119.58	0.44	Y	N	High salt	2.30	1.02	Intensive	2014	Drainage, desilting,
				94.23	0.45								sun exposure, frequent water changes

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Shrimp	119.68	26.03	-2.10	22.40	Y	N	Low salt	1.30	1.40	Semi	Drainage, sun exposure	2018
				-2.27	31.80					1.30	-intensive		
				3.23	17.87					1.25			

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Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	Crab	119.20	34.97	-112.43	0.41	Y	N	High salt	1.50	1.02	Intensive	Drainage, desilting, sun exposure, frequent water changes	2013
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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Mixed	119.62	26.02	50.27	20.70	N	N	0.90	0.65	Semi	Drainage, sun exposure	2011
	Shrimp	119.63	26.02	49.65	131.07			1.00		-intensive		

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Shrimp	119.57	26.05	41.74	565.09	N	Low salt	0.70	Semi-intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2015
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Jiulong Estuary, Fujian Province	Shrimp	117.93	24.37	36.79	63.33	N	High salt	0.70	Semi-intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2015	Y.F., Lai, D.Y.F., Tan, L.S., Jin, B.S., Tong, C., 2018. Fluxes of carbon dioxide and methane across the water–atmosphere interface of aquaculture shrimp ponds in two subtropical estuaries:
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Binhai New Area, Tianjin City	Shrimp	118.07	40.25	65.81	-0.03	Y	N	High salt	1.20	Semi	2019
				35.68	2.53				1.30	-intensive	

Diurnal variations of greenhouse gases emissions from reclamation mariculture ponds. Estuar. Coast. Shelf Sci. 237. et al., 2020

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Shrimp	119.57	26.04	167.96	99.86	Y	N	Low salt	0.80	2.14	Semi	Drainage, sun exposure	2017			Yang, P., Zhang, Y., Yang, H., Zhang, Y.F., Xu, J., Tan, L.S., et al., 2019. Large fine-scale spatiotemporal variations of CH4 diffusive fluxes from shrimp aquaculture
				76.51	60.97				1.80	1.84	-intensive					
				3.17	73.58				1.40	1.91						

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Shrimp	119.57	26.04	48.55	N	Low salt	1.10	Semi-intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2020	Tang et al., 2021
Dagu river, Qingdao city	Shrimp	120.12	36.21	15.50	N	Freshwater		Extensive	Little management	2013	Dong, R.C., 2015. Study on CO ₂ flux and source/sink function in Jiaozhou Bay coastal wetland. Master thesis, Qingdao Univ. (in

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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	Crab	119.57	26.04	186.35	2.30		Extensive	2017	Chen, X.X., Wiesmeier, M., Sardans, J., Van Zwieten, L., Fang, Y.Y., Gargallo- Garriga, A., et al., 2021. Effects of crabs on greenhouse gas emissions, soil
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Bamen Bay, Hainan Province	Shrimp	110.87	19.60	7.48	N	High salt		2008	Han, Y., Zhang, G.L., Zhao, Y.C., 2012. Distributio n and fluxes of methane in tropical	

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Changbai Island, Zhejiang Province	Mixed	122.02	30.17	-61.29		N	High salt	Semi-intensive	2020
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Table S2

Summary of literature information on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) and characteristics of inland pond system (IPS). See Table S1 caption for explanation.

<i>IPS</i> Location	Species	Longitude	Latitude	CO ₂	CH ₄	Aeration	Aquatic plant	Water depth (m)	Area (ha)	Intensity level	Management practice in non-farming period	Observation year	Reference
Chongzhou City, Sichuan Province	Fish	103.67	30.56	243.83	4.41	Y	N			Extensive		2014-2015	Wu, M., 2016. The characteristics and influencing factors of green gas emissions in different water bodys in Chongzhou. Master thesis,

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Changshu City, Jiangsu Province	Fish	120.71	31.55	6.39	N	N	2.10	0.70	Semi-intensive	2016	Ma, Y.C., Sun, L.Y., Liu, C.Y., Yang, X.Y., Zhou, W., Yang, B., Schwenke, G., Liu, D.L., 2018.	
	Crab			5.34	N	Y	1.40	0.50				A comparison of methane and nitrous oxide emissions
	Crab			4.73	N	N	1.40	0.50				

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al., 2016

Xinghua City, Jiangsu province	Mixed	119.33	35.86	3.57	Y	Y	1.00	0.20	Semi-intensive	Drainage, desilting, sun exposure	2013-2014	Liu, S.W., Hu, Z.Q., Wu, S., Li, S.Q., Li, Z.F., Zou, J.W., 2016. Methane and nitrous oxide emissions reduced following conversion of rice paddies to inland crab fish aquaculture in southeast China.
				1.57	Y	N						

										Environ. Sci. Technol. 50, 633– 642.et al., 2016
Gaoqing Country, Shandong Province	Fish	117.55	37.06	223.69	Y	N		Semi-intensive	2013	Chen, X.X., Wiesmeier, M., Sardans, J., Van Zwieten, L., Fang, Y.Y., Gargallo- Garriga, A., et al., 2021. Effects of crabs on greenhouse gas
	Mixed			119.16	Y	N				
	Fish			360.46	Y	N				

													emissions, soil nutrients, and stoichiomet ry in a subtropical estuarine wetland. Biol. Fertil. Soils 57, 131–144. et al., 2015
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	Fish	114.33	30.50	0.81	2.73×10^{-3}	Y	N	2.00	1.13	Intensive		2014	Lan. J., 2015. Greenhouse gases concentrati on, emission and

influence factors in farming waters. Master thesis, Huazhong Agri. Univ. (in Chinese). et al., 2015

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Yichang City,	Fish	111.33	30.76	29.53	N	N	0.60	0.05	Extensive	Rarely change water	2014-2015
Hubei Province		111.34	30.75	83.45	N	N	1.00	0.02	Extensive	little management	
		111.34	30.75	44.85	N	N	1.10	0.08	Extensive	Rarely change water	
		111.35	30.75	58.60	N	N	1.60	0.03	Semi-intensive	little management	
		111.34	30.74	115.37	N	N	1.20	0.04	Extensive	little management	

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Chizhou City,	Fish	117.50	30.66	51.91	34.97	N	Y	1.50	1.80	Semi-intensive	2015-2016
Anhui Province		117.58	30.73	33.57	4.79	N	Y	1.00	2.00	Extensive	2015-2017
		117.46	30.64	49.71	103.35	N	Y	3.00	53	Semi-intensive	2015-2018

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plants on

Suzhou City,

Crab

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water purification and greenhouse gas emission in crab pond in high temperature season. J. Eco. Rural Environ. 36, 1072–1079 (in Chinese).et al., 2020

Wang, J., Xiao, W., Zhang, X.F.,

Chuzhou City,	Fish	118.25	31.97	10.42	N	N	0.72	Semi-intensive	Drainage,	2017
Anhui Province				41.90			0.75		sun exposure	2018

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W.Q., Liu,
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influencing
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ponds.
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al., 2019

Chuzhou City, Anhui Province	Fish	118.69	32.24	347.68	N	1.80	0.77	Semi-intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2019	Jia, L., Zhang, M., Pu, Y.N., Zhao, J.Y., Wang, J., Xie, Y.H., et al., 2021. Temporal and spatial characterist ics of methane flux and its influencing factors in a typical aquaculture pond. China Environ. Sci. 41,
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variation of
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and
phosphorus
contents in
cascade
ponds in
subtropical
headstream

Changsha County,	Fish	113.36	28.52	-113.83	54.77	N	N	0.40	0.07	Semi-intensive	Little management	2019-2021
Hunan Province		113.33	28.55	190.05	435.37			1.40	0.23			
		113.35	28.56	62.79	54.96			1.00	0.07			

													watershed and its influencing factors. J. Agro- Environ. Sci. 39, 2420–2428 (in Chinese).et al., 2020
Xinghua City, Jiangsu Province	Crab	119.83	32.86	3.29	Y	Y	0.70~ 1.20	0.67	Semi-intensive	Drainage, desilting, sun exposure	2017-2018		Hu, T., 2019. Measureme nts of methane and nitrous oxide fluxes from freshwater crab/fish
	Fish			5.50	Y	N	1.50~2.50	1.33					

													farming wetlands. Master thesis, Nanjing Agri. Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2019
Chuzhou City, Anhui Province	Mixed	118.25	31.96	20.10	Y	0.90	0.70	Semi-intensive	Drainage, sun exposure	2017-2018	Zhao. J.Y., 2020.	Dynamic of methane emission from water- atmosphere interface in freshwater aquaculture ponds in the	

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Zhang,
T.Q.,
Wang,
G.M., 2013.
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Gaochun City,	Crab	118.85	31.33	69.40	31.54	N	Y	2.00	2.01	Extensive	Little management	2012
Jiangsu Province				156.22	57.09		N					

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 of Chinese
 mitten crab
 and their
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 ive global
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 Chinese).et
 al., 2013

Xinghua City,	Mixed	119.83	32.86	7.54	Y	Y	1.20	1.95	Semi-intensive	Drainage, desilting, sun exposure	2013
Jiangsu Province				3.29		N					

Hu, Z.Q.,
 Wu, S., Ji,
 C., Zou,

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rice paddies
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Jiangsu Province

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T., Chen, J.,
Yu, K.,
Zou, J.W.,
Liu, S.W.,
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paddies and
inland fish
aquaculture
wetlands in
southeast
China.

												Atmos. Environ. 175, 135– 144.et al., 2017
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	Fish	119.03	32.25	65.42	1.60	Y	N	1.10	Semi-intensive	2020-2021	Chen, Y.B., 2021. Study on variation law and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission flux in different water bodies. Master thesis,	

										Nanjing Univ. Inform. Sci. Technol. (in Chinese). et al., 2021
Tianshe River Basin	Fish	119.39	31.22	208.78	7.04		N	Extensive	2018-2020	Wu, W. X., 2020. Characteristics and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission from water in Zhongtianshe River Basin in
		119.38	31.21	-5.09	2.16					
		119.38	31.20	117.77	4.26					
		119.38	31.20	83.23	3.03					
		119.38	31.20		10.30					
		119.38	31.19	131.89	3.05					

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Master
thesis,
Nanjing
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Univ. (in
Chinese).et
al., 2020

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Zhao, J.T.,
Wu, S., Yu,
K., Huang,
J., Ding, Y.,
Hu, T., et
al., 2021. A
two-year
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nt of
methane

Xinghua City,	Fish	119.83	32.86	1.44	Y	N	1.75	2.7	Semi-intensive	2017-2019
Jiangsu Province				2.79			1.75	2.7		
				5.17			1.75	2.7		
				2.15			0.95	1.26		
				2.51			0.95	1.26		
				3.02			0.95	1.26		

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Tai Lake basin, East China	Crab	120.41	31.03	-3.02	59.26	N	Y	1.60	Extensive	Little management	2013-2014	Yuan, J.J., Xiang, J., Liu, D.Y.,
				6.71	93.95			1.33				
				4.14	62.15			1.18				

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He, T.H., et
al., 2019.
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greenhouse
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Table S3

Summary of literature information on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) and characteristics of lake/reservoir system (LRS). See Table S1 caption for explanation.

<i>LRS</i> Location	Species	Longitude	Latitude	CO ₂	CH ₄	Aquatic plant	Salinity level	Water depth (m)	Intensity level	Observation year	Reference
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	Fish	118.84	32.45	42.60	0.83		Freshwater	1.20	Extensive	2020-2021	Chen, Y.B., 2021. Study on variation law and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission flux in different water bodies. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Inform. Sci. Technol. (in Chinese).et al.,

										2021	
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	Fish	114.38	30.55	33.69	6.98	Freshwater	2.50	Extensive	2003-2004	Xing, Y.P., Xie, P., Yang, H., Ni, L.Y., Wang, Y.S., Rong, K.W., 2005. Methane and carbon dioxide fluxes from a shallow hypereutrophic subtropical Lake in China. Atmos. Environ. 39, 5532–5540. et al., 2005	
Duchang County, Jiangxi Province	Fish	116.05	29.34	87.04	1.67	Freshwater	1.90	Extensive	2010	Liu, L.X., Xu, M., Lin, M., Zhang, X., 2013. Spatial variability of greenhouse gas effluxes	

Xingzi County, Jiangxi Province	Fish	116.12	29.44	102.18	0.98	Freshwater	1.90	Extensive	2010	and their controlling factors in the Poyang Lake in China. Pol. J. Environ. Stud. 22, 749–758. et al., 2013
Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province	Fish	126.60	46.28	48.18		Freshwater	1.73	Extensive	2008	Liu, L.X., Xu, M., Lin, M., Zhang, X., 2013. Spatial variability of greenhouse gas effluxes and their controlling factors in the Poyang Lake in China. Pol. J. Environ. Stud. 22, 749–758. et al., 2013
										Lv, D.K., 2013. Study on CO ₂ fluxes across water-air interface peatland

										reservoirs around Harbin. Doctoral thesis, Northeast Forestry Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2013
Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province	Fish	127.10	45.20	68.73					2008	Lv, D.K., 2013.
Chizhou City, Anhui Province	Fish	117.52	30.67	32.39	3.09	Freshwater	5.00	Extensive	2016	Study on CO ₂ fluxes across water-air interface peatland reservoirs around Harbin. Doctoral thesis, Northeast Forestry Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2013

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 potential in
 agriculture
 with literature
 statistics
 method and
 case study.
 Doctoral thesis,
 Nanjing Agri.
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Dali City, Yunnan Province	Fish	100.15	25.86	-1.65	0.30	Freshwater	Ecological stocking	2016
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Li, D., 2017.
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 greenhouse gas
 fluxes at the

												water-air interface in Erhai Lake. Master thesis, Yunnan Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2017
Dali City, Yunnan Province	Fish	100.16	25.73	-382.45	0.15	Y	Freshwater		Ecological stocking	2016	Li, D., 2017.	
Fuzhou City, Fujian Province	Fish	119.63	25.82	291.18	1.64		Low salt	1.50	Extensive	2018-2019	Study on greenhouse gas fluxes at the water-air interface in Erhai Lake. Master thesis, Yunnan Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2017	Zhang, Y.F., Lyu, M., Yang, P., Lai, D.Y.F., Tong, C., Zhao, G.H., et

										al., 2021. Spatial variations in CO2 fluxes in a subtropical coastal reservoir of Southeast China were related to urbanization and land-use types. J. Environ. Sci. 109, 206–218.et al., 2021
Changsha County, Hunan Province	Fish	113.32	28.52	111.18	2.82	Freshwater	10.00	Extensive	2019-2020	Shen, Y.L., Zhou, J.G., Peng, P.Q., Wu, J.S., 2020. Spatio-

									temporal variation of nitrogen and phosphorus contents in cascade ponds in subtropical headstream watershed and its influencing factors. J. Agro-Environ. Sci. 39, 2420–2428 (in Chinese). et al., 2020
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	Fish	118.97	32.47	4.28	0.39	Freshwater	Ecological stocking	2012-2013	Han, Y., 2013. Greenhouse gases emission characteristics

Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	Fish	118.73	32.20	58.46	16.36	Freshwater		Extensive	2012-2014	of rivers in Nanjing and influencing factors. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Infor. Sci.Technol. (in Chinese). et al., 2013
Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	Crab	120.42	31.03	96.84	81.08	Freshwater	1.20	Extensive	2013-2014	Han, Y., 2013. Greenhouse gases emission characteristics of rivers in Nanjing and influencing factors. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Infor. Sci.Technol.

(in Chinese). et al., 2013

Xiang, J., 2015. Greenhouse gases emissions from the lakeside wetland and crab pond in Riparian zone of Taihu lake. Doctoral thesis, Univ. Chinese Academy Sci. (in Chinese).et al., 2015

Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	Crab	120.45	31.1	1.61	5.23	Freshwater	1.62	Extensive	2013-2014
Yongshan County, Yunnan Province	Fish	103.61	28.24	98.25	1.64			Extensive	2019

Xiang, J., 2015. Greenhouse gases emissions from

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Riparian zone
of Taihu lake.
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comparative
study of carbon
flux changes at
the water-air
interface of
typical
reservoirs in
the Yangtze
River Basin.

Zhaotong City, Yunnan Province	Fish	104.41	28.63	89.38	1.83	Ecological stocking	2019	<p>Master thesis, Chongqing Jiaotong Univ. (in Chinese). et al., 2020</p> <p>Tan, W., 2020. A comparative study of carbon flux changes at the water-air interface of typical reservoirs in the Yangtze River Basin. Master thesis, Chongqing Jiaotong Univ. (in Chinese). et al., 2020</p>
Yichang City, Hubei Province	Fish	108.18	30.41	144.22	7.48	Ecological stocking	2014	
Changshou Lake, Chongqing City	Fish	107.29	29.93	78.50	3.35	Ecological stocking		
Nanning City, Guangxi Autonomous Region	Fish	108.50	23.50	350.84	3.29	Ecological stocking		

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Yuan, D.X.,
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Zhang, T., Mo,
X., 2015.
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reservoirs
located in
different
geologic
setting in
Guangxi,
China.

								Environ. Sci. 36, 4032–4042 (in Chinese).et al., 2015
Xiangxi River, Hubei Province	Fish	110.77	30.97	113.60	2.50	Ecological stocking	2010	Zhao, Y., Wu, B.F., Zeng, Y., 2013. Spatial and temporal patterns of greenhouse gas emissions from Three Gorges Reservoir of China. Biogeosciences 10, 1219– 1230.et al., 2013
Zigui City, Hubei Province	Fish	10.98	30.87	551.88	1.01	Ecological stocking	2010	Zhao, Y., Wu,

Wanzhou City, Chongqing City Fish	108.49	30.84	455.52	1.84	Extensive	B.F., Zeng, Y., 2013. Spatial and temporal patterns of greenhouse gas emissions from Three Gorges Reservoir of China. Biogeosciences 10, 1219– 1230.et al., 2013
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Table S4

Summary of literature information on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes (g C m⁻² yr⁻¹) and characteristics of rice-field system (RFS). See Table S1 caption for explanation.

<i>FRS</i> Location	Species	Longitude	Latitude	CO ₂	CH ₄	Aeration	Aquatic plant	Salinity level	Water depth (m)	Intensity level	Observation year	Reference
Qianjiang City, Hubei Province	Shrimp	112.70	30.38		53.43	N	Y	Freshwater	0.10	Intensive	2016-2017	Sun, Z.C., Guo, Y., Li, C.F., Cao, C.G., Yuan, P.L., Zou, F.L., Wang, J.H., Jia, P.A., Wang, J.P., 2019. Effects of straw returning and feeding on

												greenhouse gas emissions from integrated rice- crayfish farming in Jiangnan Plain, China. Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res. 26, 11710– 11718. et al., 2019
Qianjiang City, Hubei Province	Shrimp	112.70	30.38	35.86	N	Y	Freshwater	0.10	Intensive	2016-2017	Sun, Z.C., Guo, Y., Li,	
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	Fish	114.36	30.48	61.95	N	Y	Freshwater	0.80		2006-2007		

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C.G., Yuan,
P.L., Zou,
F.L., Wang,
J.H., Jia,
P.A., Wang,
J.P., 2019.
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returning
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Plain,
China.
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Cao, C.G.,
Li, C.F.,
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Wuhan City, Hubei Province	Fish	114.36	30.48	52.49	N	Y	Freshwater	0.80	2006-2007	Yuan, W.L.,
China National Rice Research Institute, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province	Fish	120.16	30.27	3.42		Y	Freshwater		2017	Cao, C.G., Li, C.F., Zhan, M., Cai, M.L.,

Wang, J.P.,
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of a rice-
fish co-

									culture system. Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res. 28, 38034–38042. et al., 2021
China National Rice Research Institute, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province	Fish	120.16	30.27	4.27	Y	Freshwater	2017	Feng, J.F.,	
Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	Crab	120.71	31.44	8.08	Y	Freshwater	2018	Liu, Y.B.,	
				24.70				Li, F.B.,	
				18.43	N			Zhou, X.Y.,	
								Xu, C.C.,	
								Fang, F.P.,	
								2021. Effect of phosphorus and potassium addition on	

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Qianjiang City, Hubei Province	Shrimp	112.70	30.38	29.89	N	Y	Freshwater	0.50-1.00	2015-2016		Xu, X.Y., Zhang, M.M., Peng, C.L., Si, G.H., et al., 2017. Effect of rice-crayfish co-culture on greenhouse gases emission in straw-puddled paddy fields. Chinese J.

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Taojiang County, Hunan Province Fish 112.17 28.51 29.76 N Y Freshwater 0.80 2005

												Environ. 02, 265–269 (in Chinese).et al., 2006
Taojiang County, Hunan Province	Fish	112.17	28.51		35.94	N	Y	Freshwater	0.80	2005		Liu, X.Y.,
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	Fish	114.36	30.48	509.13	63.39		Y	Freshwater	0.30	2006		Huang, H., Yang, Z.P., Yu, J.B., Dai, Z.Y., Wang, D.J., Tan, S.Q., 2006. Methane emission from rice- duck-fish complex ecosystem. Eco. Environ. 02,

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Hangzhou City, Zhejiang Province	Fish	119.95	30.05	12.11	Y	Y	Freshwater	2019	References et al., 2021	
Hangzhou City, Zhejiang Province	Fish	119.95	30.05	21.86				2019	References et al., 2021	
Liaohu estuary, Panjin City, Liaoning Province	Crab	122.16	41.03	6.87					Zhang, Y.B., Xu, Y., Wang, H.Y., Wang, S.P., Zhai, L.M., Liu, H.B., 2022. Greenhouse	
				9.04						
				28.71	N	Y	Freshwater			

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Table S5

Summary of literature information on environment variables in coastal wetland reclamation system (CWRS). DO = dissolved oxygen; DOC = dissolved organic carbon; DTN = dissolved total nitrogen; DTP = dissolved total phosphorus; $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ = ammonia nitrogen; $\text{NO}_3^-\text{-N}$ = nitrate nitrogen.

<i>CWRS</i> Location	Air temperature (°C)	Precipitation (mm)	Water temperature (°C)	pH	DO (mg L ⁻¹)	Chl- <i>a</i> (µg L ⁻¹)	DOC (mg L ⁻¹)	DTN (mg L ⁻¹)	DTP (mg L ⁻¹)	$\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ (mg L ⁻¹)	$\text{NO}_3^-\text{-N}$ (mg L ⁻¹)	Reference
30 km north of the Yellow River Estuary	12.10	551.60	14.61							0.26		Song, H.L., Liu, X.T., Wen, B.L., 2017. Greenhouse gases fluxes at water-air interface of aquaculture ponds in the Yellow River Estuary. <i>Eco. Environ. Sci.</i>

											26, 1554–1561 (in Chinese). et al., 2017
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.60	1350	28.26	8.88	5.33	155.01	12.56	1.15	0.16	0.44	Tong, C., Bastviken, D., Tang, K.W., Yang, P., et al., 2021. Annual CO ₂ and CH ₄ fluxes in coastal earthen ponds with <i>Litopenaeus vannamei</i> in Southeastern China. Aquaculture

													545.et al., 2021
Dongying City, Shandong Province	12.10	551.60	17.65										Song, H.L., Liu, X.T., 2016. Anthropogenic effects on fluxes of ecosystem respiration and methane in the Yellow River Estuary, China. Wetlands 36, S113–S123.et al., 2016
Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	13.80	976.40	21.70	8.32	8.42	44.11	3.38	3.66	0.22	0.06	0.21		Zhang, D.X., Tian, X.L., Dong, S.L., Chen, Y.,
			21.60	7.90	7.35	15.61	1.76	3.13	0.14	0.05	0.47		

										Feng, J., et al., 2020. Carbon budgets of two typical polyculture pond systems in coastal China and their potential roles in the global carbon cycle. Aquacult. Env. Interac. 12, 105–115. et al., 2020
Qingdao, Shandong Province	12.30	662.10	21.95	8.30	41.7	6.47	3.89	0.31		Chen, Y., Dong, S.L., Wang, F., Gao, Q.F., Tian, X.L.,
				8.05	3.88	3.13	3.03	0.19		

													2016. Carbon dioxide and methane fluxes from feeding and no-feeding mariculture ponds. Environ. Pollut. 212, 489–497. et al., 2016
Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	19.60	1350	24.20	8.77	7.66	60.8	3.26	3.13	0.21	0.06	0.31		Zhang, D.X., Tian, X.L., Dong, S.L., Chen, Y., Feng, J., et al., 2020. Carbon dioxide fluxes from two
				8.10	5.75	17.60	0.61	1.95	0.10	0.06	0.48		

													typical mariculture polyculture systems in coastal China. Aquaculture 521. et al., 2020
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.60	1350	28.32	9.19	4.71	118.60	11.94	1.06	0.20	0.37	0.07		Zhao, G.H., 2020. Carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus budgets in reclaimed shrimp ponds of the Min River Estuary. Master thesis, Fujian Normal Univ. (in
				9.18	5.03	185.29	12.53	1.05	0.23	0.35	0.17		
				9.17	4.84	114.81	11.15	1.31	0.20	0.25	0.08		

												Chinese). et al., 2020
Ganyu County, Jiangsu Province	13.80	976.40	24.60	8.66	7.13	24.25	1.06	1.97	0.10	0.033	0.33	Zhang, D.X., 2015. Studies on CH ₄ and CO ₂ fluxes at water-air interface and carbon budgets of different culture systems with portunus trituberculatus , marsupenaeus japonicas and ruditapes philippinarum

											. Master thesis, Ocean Univ. China (in Chinese). et al., 2015
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province, China	19.60	1350	16.60	8.62	8.89	359.02		1.69	0.43	Yang, P., He, Q.H., Huang, J.F., Tong, C., 2015. Fluxes of greenhouse gases at two different aquaculture ponds in the coastal zone of southeastern China. Atmos. Environ. 115, 269–277. et al.,	
			27.53	8.52	6.64	246.73		2.41	0.15		

												2015
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.90	1346	26.50	9.24	10.5	220.71	36.16	1.71	0.14	0.44	0.06	Yang, P., He, Q.H., Huang, J.F., Tong, C., 2015. Fluxes of greenhouse gases at two different aquaculture ponds in the coastal zone of southeastern China. Atmos. Environ. 115, 269–277. et al., 2015
Jiulong Estuary, Fujian Province	21.00	1371	28.37	9.16	9.3	75.16	23.18	1.78	0.13	0.76	0.13	Yang, P., Zhang, Y.F., Lai, D.Y.F., Tan,

L.S., Jin, B.S.,
Tong, C.,
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of carbon
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									1025–1035. et
									al., 2018
Binhai New Area, Tianjin City	13.68	550.31	20.61	8.97	9.68		0.08	0.78	Hu, B.B., Xu,
			22.12	8.76	8.76		0.17	0.70	X.F., Zhang,
									J.F., Wang,
									T.L., Meng,
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									D.Q., 2020.
									Diurnal
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									greenhouse
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Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.90	1342	29.90	8.42	9.44	221.60	52.46		0.18	0.82	0.24	Tan, L.S., Yang, P., Xu. K., Chen. K.L., Huang. J.F., Tong, C., 2018. Comparison of CH4 emissions following brackish <i>Cyperus malaccensis</i> marsh conversion to shrimp pond in the Min River estuary.

											Acta Sci. Circumstant. 38, 1214– 1223 (in Chinese). et al., 2018
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.90	1342	29.17	9.58	5.20	116.44	16.08		0.96	0.13	Yang, P., Zhang, Y., Yang, H., Zhang, Y.F., Xu, J., Tan, L.S., et al., 2019. Large fine-scale spatiotempora l variations of CH4 diffusive fluxes from shrimp aquaculture ponds affected
			28.39	9.45	6.25	186.19	13.89		0.70	0.05	
			28.41	9.55	5.80	191.95	15.95		0.69	0.06	

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												concentration and flux across water-air interfaces at aquaculture shrimp ponds in a subtropical estuary.
												Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res. 26, 5623–5637. et al., 2019
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.9	1342	25.10	7.26	6.34	201.22	20.68	1.88	0.19	0.34	1.15	Tang et al., 2021
Dagu river, Qingdao city, Shandong Province	12.00	900	20.30									Dong, R.C., 2015. Study on CO ₂ flux and source/sink

				function in Jiaozhou Bay coastal wetland. Master thesis, Qingdao Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2015
Min River Estuary, Fujian Province	19.90	1341	22.00	Chen, X.X., Wiesmeier, M., Sardans, J., Van Zwieten, L., Fang, Y.Y., Gargallo- Garriga, A., et al., 2021. Effects of crabs on

				greenhouse gas emissions, soil nutrients, and stoichiometry in a subtropical estuarine wetland. <i>Biol. Fertil. Soils</i> 57, 131–144. et al., 2021
Bamen Bay, Hainan Province	24.10	2062	25.00	Han, Y., Zhang, G.L., Zhao, Y.C., 2012. Distribution and fluxes of methane in tropical rivers and lagoons of

									eastern Hainan. Journal of Tropical Oceanography 31, 87–95 (in Chinese). et al., 2012
Changbai Island, Zhejiang Province	16.00	1360	22.70	8.57	9.48	18.86		0.21	Zhang, D.X., Xu, W.J., Wang, F., He, J., Chai, X.R., 2022. Carbon dioxide fluxes from mariculture ponds with swimming crabs and shrimps in
				8.62	9.68	22.39		0.20	
				8.60	9.69	22.74		0.19	
				8.38	9.59	15.70		0.17	

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Table S6

Summary of literature information on environment variables in inland pond system (IPS). See Table S5 caption for explanation.

<i>IPS</i> Location	Air temperature (°C)	Precipitation (mm)	Water temperature (°C)	pH	DO (mg L ⁻¹)	Chl- <i>a</i> (µg L ⁻¹)	DOC (mg L ⁻¹)	DTN (mg L ⁻¹)	DTP (mg L ⁻¹)	NH ₄ ⁺ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	NO ₃ ⁻ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	Reference
Chongzhou City, Sichuan Province	15.90	1012.40	15.90									Wu, M., 2016. The characteristic s and influencing factors of green gas emissions in different water bodys in Chongzhou. Master thesis, Sichuan Agric. Univ.

					(in Chinese). et al., 2016
Changshu City, Jiangsu Province	16.90	1135.60	16.90	5.10	Ma, Y.C., Sun, L.Y., Liu, C.Y., Yang, X.Y., Zhou, W., Yang, B., Schwenke, G., Liu, D.L., 2018. A comparison of methane and nitrous oxide emissions from inland mixed-fish and crab aquaculture ponds. Sci.
				6.20	
				6.90	

				Total.
				Environ. 637,
				517–523. et al.,
				2018
Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences	17.60	1173.40	28.95	Zhu, L., Che,
Research Center, Shanghai City				X., Liu, H.,
				Liu, X.G.,
				Liu, C., Chen,
				X.L., Shi, X.,
				2016.
				Greenhouse
				gas emissions
				and
				comprehensiv
				e greenhouse
				effect
				potential of
				<i>Megalobrama</i>
				<i>amblycephala</i>

								culture pond ecosystems in a 3-month growing season.
								Aquacult. Int. 24, 893–902.et al., 2016
Xinghua City, Jiangsu province	17.80	1090	17.90	8.80		0.16	0.12	Liu, S.W., Hu, Z.Q., Wu, S., Li, S.Q., Li, Z.F., Zou, J.W., 2016. Methane and nitrous oxide emissions reduced following conversion of
	17.90	1090	17.60	8.66				

							rice paddies to inland crab fish aquaculture in southeast China. Environ. Sci. Technol. 50, 633–642.et al., 2016
Gaoqing Country,	13.10	539.40	26.50	8.30	0.34	7.94	Chen, X.X.,
Shandong Province			26.10	8.20	0.30	6.48	Wiesmeier,
			26.90	8.08	0.16	9.37	M., Sardans, J., Van Zwieten, L., Fang, Y.Y., Gargallo- Garriga, A., et al., 2021. Effects of

										crabs on greenhouse gas emissions, soil nutrients, and stoichiometry in a subtropical estuarine wetland. Biol. Fertil. Soils 57, 131–144.et al., 2015
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	16.20	1207	20.29	8.03	8.13	12.42	3.46	0.78	0.71	Lan. J., 2015. Greenhouse gases concentration , emission and influence

											factors in farming waters.
											Master thesis, Huazhong Agri. Univ. (in Chinese). et al., 2015
Yichang City,	16.90	1215.60	18.10	7.14	6.19	110.80	3.68	0.60	0.39	1.54	Zhang, C., 2018.
Hubei Province			19.00		7.10	317.60	8.96	1.07	0.36	3.52	On the process and mechamism of methane emission from eutrophic ponds.
			19.40		12.95	99.00	3.02	0.74	0.61	1.29	Doctoral thesis, China Univ. Geosci. (in Chinese). et
			19.80		13.75	133.70	6.00	1.19	0.85	2.02	
			21.10		10.32	77.10	2.93	0.46	0.29	1.29	

									al., 2018.
Chizhou City,	16.50	1800	17.20	7.52	24.99	1.93	0.60	0.57	Yue, Q., 2018. Quantifying greenhouse gas emissions and the mitigation potential in agriculture with literature statistics method and case study. Doctoral thesis, Nanjing Agri. Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2018
Anhui Province			16.50	7.39	21.83	1.30	0.46	0.36	
			17.80	7.50	29.93	2.07	0.66	1.36	

Suzhou City,	15.70	1100	29.30	9.62	10.68	4.56	0.80	0.05	0.10	0.05	Liu, Y.M., Fu,
Jiangsu Province			27.30	9.27	7.11	2.49	0.66	0.04	0.07	0.04	W.G., Jin, M.J., Shi, L.L., Shen, M.X., Zhang, J.Q., 2020. Effects of different aquatic plants on water purification and greenhouse gas emission in crab pond in high temperature season. J. Eco. Rural Environ. 36,

				1072–1079 (in Chinese).et al., 2020
Chuzhou City,	15.40	1090	18.68	
Anhui Province			19.00	Wang, J., Xiao, W., Zhang, X.F., Zhang, M., Zhang, W.Q., Liu, Q., et al., 2019. Methane emission characteristic s and its influencing factors over aquaculture ponds. Environ. Sci. 40, 5503– 5514 (in

Chuzhou City, Anhui Province	15.40	1090	26.69
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Changsha County, Hunan Province	17.20	1442	27.70	2.84		Shen, Y.L., Zhou, J.G., Peng, P.Q., Wu, J.S., 2020. Spatio-temporal variation of nitrogen and phosphorus contents in cascade ponds in subtropical headstream watershed and its influencing factors. J. Agro-
			29.30	2.30		
			21.30	10.58		

						Environ. Sci.
						39, 2420–
						2428 (in
						Chinese).et al.,
						2020
Xinghua City, Jiangsu Province	15.00	1024.80	23.80	8.40	8.15	
			20.30	8.20	9.74	Hu, T., 2019.
						Measurement
						s of methane
						and nitrous
						oxide fluxes
						from
						freshwater
						crab/fish
						farming
						wetlands.
						Master thesis,
						Nanjing Agri.
						Univ. (in
						Chinese).et al.,
						2019

Chuzhou City, Anhui Province	15.40	1090	18.80	Zhao. J.Y., 2020. Dynamic of methane emission from water- atmosphere interface in freshwater aquaculture ponds in the Yangtze River Delta. Doctoral thesis, Nanjing Univ. Inform. Sci. Technol. (in Chinese). et al., 2020
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Gaochun City, Jiangsu Province	15.90	1157	26.60	Lin, H., Zhou, G., Li, X.G., Zhou, J., Zhang, T.Q., Wang, G.M., 2013.
			27.10	Greenhouse gases emissions from pond culture ecosystem of Chinese mitten crab and their comprehensive global warming potentials in summer. J.

								Fish. China 37, 417–424 (in Chinese).et al., 2013
Xinghua City, Jiangsu Province	15.00	1024.80	28.11	7.58		1.22	0.94	Hu, Z.Q., Wu, S., Ji, C., Zou, J.W., Zhou, Q.S., Liu, S.W., 2015. A comparison of methane emissions following rice paddies conversion to crab-fish farming wetlands in southeast China.
			27.65	8.15				

									Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res. 23, 1505–1515.et al., 2015
Xinghua City, Jiangsu Province	15.00	1024.80	16.76	10.51	18.89	0.16	0.11		Wu, S., Hu, Z.Q., Hu, T., Chen, J., Yu, K., Zou, J.W., Liu, S.W., 2017. Annual methane and nitrous oxide emissions from rice paddies and inland fish aquaculture wetlands in southeast

										China. Atmos. Environ. 175, 135–144. et al., 2017
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	15.40	1106.50	19.60	7.97	6.69	151.67		0.62	0.18	Chen, Y.B., 2021. Study on variation law and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission flux in different water bodies. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Inform. Sci. Technol. (in

											Chinese). et al., 2019
Tianshe River Basin, Jiangsu Province	16.00	1146.60	20.52	7.70	11.32	5.21	0.80	0.09	0.33		Wu, W. X., 2020.
			20.78	8.55	11.11	7.17	1.15	0.11	0.40		Characteristic s and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission from water in Zhongtianshe River Basin in Tianmu Lake area. Master thesis, Nanjing Normal Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2020
			20.01	7.88	10.69	6.24	1.03	0.10	0.59		
			21.12	7.93	9.22	5.21	1.54	0.09	0.92		
			20.48	7.33	6.88	2.76	1.04	0.10	0.52		
			19.89	7.97	9.26	5.09	1.15	0.12	0.60		

Xinghua City, Jiangsu Province	15.00	1024.80	20.03	9.64	Fang, X.T., Zhao, J.T., Wu, S., Yu, K., Huang, J., Ding, Y., Hu, T., et al., 2021. A two- year measurement of methane and nitrous oxide emissions from freshwater aquaculture ponds: affected by aquaculture species,
			20.19	9.17	
			20.53	8.12	
			20.14	8.01	
			20.40	7.85	
			20.50	7.46	

				stocking and water management. Sci. Total. Environ. 813.et al., 2021
Tai Lake basin, East China	16.5	1176	25.3	Yuan, J.J., Xiang, J., Liu, D.Y., Kang, H., He, T.H., et al., 2019. Rapid growth in greenhouse gas emissions from the adoption of industrial- scale aquaculture.
			25.6	
			25.4	

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Table S7

Summary of literature information on environment variables in lake/reservoir system (LRS). See Table S5 caption for explanation.

<i>LRS</i> Location	Air temperature (°C)	Precipitation (mm)	Water temperature (°C)	pH	DO (mg L ⁻¹)	Chl- <i>a</i> (µg L ⁻¹)	DOC (mg L ⁻¹)	DTN (mg L ⁻¹)	DTP (mg L ⁻¹)	NH ₄ ⁺ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	NO ₃ ⁻ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	Reference
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	15.40	1106.50	20.93	8.41	8.10	117.03		1.09	0.07			Chen, Y.B., 2021. Study on variation law and influencing factors of greenhouse gas emission flux in different water bodies. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Inform. Sci. Technol. (in Chinese).et

									al., 2021
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	16.90	1320	18.40		52.72	7.33			Xing, Y.P., Xie, P., Yang, H., Ni, L.Y., Wang, Y.S., Rong, K.W., 2005. Methane and carbon dioxide fluxes from a shallow hypereutrophi c subtropical Lake in China. Atmos. Environ. 39, 5532–5540. et al., 2005
Duchang County, Jiangxi Province	17.10	1500	20.40	6.50		4.10	0.22	0.60	Liu, L.X., Xu, M., Lin, M., Zhang, X., 2013. Spatial variability of greenhouse gas effluxes
Xingzi County, Jiangxi Province	17.10	1500	20.30	6.70		3.80	0.19	0.90	

										and their controlling factors in the Poyang Lake in China. Pol. J. Environ. Stud. 22, 749–758. et al., 2013
Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province	3.30	531.20	17.45	9.09	7.81	18.09	3.26	1.50	0.12	Lv, D.K., 2013.
Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province	3.40	563.00	19.73	9.02	7.11	12.55	1.73	1.09	0.10	Study on CO ₂ fluxes across water-air interface peatland reservoirs around Harbin. Doctoral thesis, Northeast Forestry Univ.

									(in Chinese).et al., 2013
Chizhou City,	16.50	1800	7.57	20.01	0.66	0.25	0.28		Yu, Q., 2018.
Anhui Province									Quantifying greenhouse gas emissions and the mitigation potential in agriculture with literature statistics method and case study. Doctoral thesis, Nanjing Agri. Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2018

Dali City, Yunnan Province	15.10	1000	17.46	8.18	13.05								Li, D., 2017. Study on greenhouse gas fluxes at the water-air interface in Erhai Lake. Master thesis, Yunnan Univ. (in Chinese).et al., 2017
			18.21	8.26	14.25								
Fuzhou City, Fujian Province	19.60	1350	23.02	8.73	7.71	31.81	20.00	1.62	0.17	0.46	1.22		Zhang, Y.F., Lyu, M., Yang, P., Lai, D.Y.F., Tong, C., Zhao, G.H., et al., 2021. Spatial variations in CO2 fluxes in a subtropical coastal reservoir of Southeast

					China were related to urbanization and land-use types. J. Environ. Sci. 109, 206–218. et al., 2021
Changsha County, Hunan Province	17.20	1442	29.50	5.54	Shen, Y.L., Zhou, J.G., Peng, P.Q., Wu, J.S., 2020. Spatio-temporal variation of nitrogen and phosphorus contents in cascade ponds

									in subtropical headstream watershed and its influencing factors. J. Agro-Environ. Sci. 39, 2420–2428 (in Chinese). et al., 2020
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	15.87	1106.50	18.66	8.05	26.41	2.05	0.04	0.04	Han, Y., 2013. Greenhouse gases emission characteristics of rivers in Nanjing and influencing factors. Master thesis, Nanjing Univ. Infor.
Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province	15.19	1106.50	19.10	7.95			0.62	9.6	

					Sci.Technol. (in Chinese). et al., 2013
Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	17.00	1120	20.80	13.28	Xiang, J., 2015.
Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	17.00	1120	18.53	3.05	Greenhouse gases emissions from the lakeside wetland and crab pond in Riparian zone of Taihu lake. Doctoral thesis, Univ. Chinese Academy Sci. (in Chinese).et al., 2015

Yongshan County, Yunnan Province	17.60	750	19.40	8.39	2.37	1.20	2.48	0.04	Tan, W., 2020. A comparative study of carbon flux changes at the water-air interface of typical reservoirs in the Yangtze River Basin. Master thesis, Chongqing Jiaotong Univ. (in Chinese). et al., 2020
Zhaotong City, Yunnan Province	19.40	1077.70	19.20	9.09	3.39	1.11	2.63	0.03	
Yichang City, Hubei Province	18.00	1493.20	19.90	6.89	6.53	1.75	3.09	0.08	
Changshou Lake, Chongqing City	17.70	1120	20.04	8.02	42.28	4.24	2.97	0.06	
Nanning City, Guangxi Autonomous Region	20.90	1680	30.70	8.05	10.21	3.12	3.17	0.74	Li J.H., Pu, J.B., Sun, P.A., Yuan, D.X., Liu, W.,

Zhang, T., Mo, X., 2015. Summer greenhouse gases exchange flux across water-air interface in three water reservoirs located in different geologic setting in Guangxi, China. Environ. Sci. 36, 4032–4042 (in Chinese).et al., 2015

Xiangxi River, Hubei Province	15.30	1082	20.36	8.23	9.08	14.34	7.54	Zhao, Y., Wu, B.F., Zeng, Y., 2013. Spatial and temporal patterns of greenhouse gas emissions from Three Gorges Reservoir of China. <i>Biogeosciences</i> 10, 1219–1230. et al., 2013
Zigui City, Hubei Province	16.90	1215.60	18.82	7.90	6.99	1.20	6.92	
Wanzhou City, Chongqing City	17.70	1243	19.17	7.84	6.97	1.88	8.02	

Table S8

Summary of literature information on environment variables in rice-field system (FRS). See Table S5 caption for explanation.

<i>FRS</i> Location	Air temperature (°C)	Precipitation (mm)	Water temperature (°C)	pH	DO (mg L ⁻¹)	Chl- <i>a</i> (µg L ⁻¹)	DOC (mg L ⁻¹)	DTN (mg L ⁻¹)	DTP (mg L ⁻¹)	NH ₄ ⁺ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	NO ₃ ⁻ -N (mg L ⁻¹)	Reference
Qianjiang City, Hubei Province	16.10	1100	24.86									Sun, Z.C., Guo, Y., Li, C.F., Cao, C.G., Yuan, P.L., Zou, F.L., Wang, J.H., Jia, P.A., Wang, J.P., 2019. Effects of straw returning and feeding on greenhouse

				gas emissions from integrated rice-crayfish farming in Jiangnan Plain, China. Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res. 26, 11710–11718. et al., 2019
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	16.80	1150	7.09	Yuan, W.L.,
	16.80	1150	6.73	Cao, C.G., Li, C.F., Zhan, M., Cai, M.L., Wang, J.P., 2009.

					Methane and nitrous oxide emissions from rice-duck and rice-fish complex ecosystems and the evaluation of their economic significance. Agri. Sci. China 8, 1246–1255. et al., 2009
China National Rice Research Institute, Hangzhou City, Zhejiang Province	20.65	7.13	0.09	0.45	Feng, J.F.,
	20.65	4.39	0.13	0.37	Liu, Y.B.,

20.65	5.19	0.10	1.14	Li, F.B.,
20.65	4.63	0.16	0.42	Zhou, X.Y., Xu, C.C., Fang, F.P., 2021. Effect of phosphorus and potassium addition on greenhouse gas emissions and nutrient utilization of a rice-fish co-culture system. Environ. Sci. Pollut. Res.

												28, 38034– 38042. et al., 2021
Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	16.00	1100	27.30	8.68	5.73	3.56		0.65	0.04	0.03	0.04	Liu, Y.M., Fu, W.G., Jin, M.J., Shi, L.L., Shen, M.X., Zhang, J.Q., 2020. Effects of different aquatic plants on water purification and greenhouse gas emission in crab pond

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Qianjiang City, Hubei Province	16.10	1100	23.50	Xu, X.Y., Zhang, M.M., Peng, C.L., Si, G.H., et al., 2017. Effect of rice-crayfish co-culture on greenhouse gases emission in

				straw- puddled paddy fields. Chinese J. Eco-Agri. 25, 1591– 1603 (in Chinese). et al., 2017
Taojiang County, Hunan Province	16.60	1566	24.97	Liu, X.Y., Huang, H., Yang, Z.P., Yu, J.B., Dai, Z.Y., Wang, D.J., Tan, S.Q., 2006. Methane emission from rice-

				duck-fish complex ecosystem. Eco. Environ. 02, 265–269 (in Chinese).et al., 2006
Wuhan City, Hubei Province	16.80	1150	26.30	Zhan, M., Cao, C.G., Wang, J.P., Cai, M.L., Yuan, W.L., 2008. Greenhouse gases exchange of integrated paddy field and their comprehensi

									ve global warming potentials. Acta Ecologica Sin. 11, 5461–5468 (in Chinese). et al., 2008
Hangzhou City,					14.82	1.71	0.13	1.07	References
Zhejiang Province					12.44	1.77	0.09	1.15	et al., 2021
					11.72	1.71	0.10	0.90	
					11.64	1.54	0.07	0.83	
Panjin City, Liaoning Province	8.30	645	16.20	7.93					Zhang, Y.B., Xu, Y., Wang, H.Y., Wang, S.P., Zhai, L.M., Liu, H.B.,

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Table S9

Summary of two-way ANOVA tests for the effects of farmed species, aquaculture system and their interactions on CO₂ and CH₄ fluxes.

	CO ₂ flux					CH ₄ flux				
	Sum of square	<i>df</i>	Mean square	<i>F</i> value	<i>P</i> value	Sum of square	<i>df</i>	Mean square	<i>F</i> value	<i>P</i> value
Intercept	4.129	1	4.129	5.570	0.021	0.584	1	0.584	0.803	> 0.05
Species	0.346	3	0.115	0.156	> 0.05	10.950	3	3.650	5.017	0.003
Aquaculture system	10.225	3	3.408	4.598	< 0.01	19.581	3	6.527	8.972	< 0.001
Species × Aquaculture system	1.650	2	0.825	1.113	> 0.05	1.125	3	0.375	0.515	> 0.05
Residuals	51.149	69	0.741			78.295	109	0.727		

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