

Trade, CO₂, and the Environment

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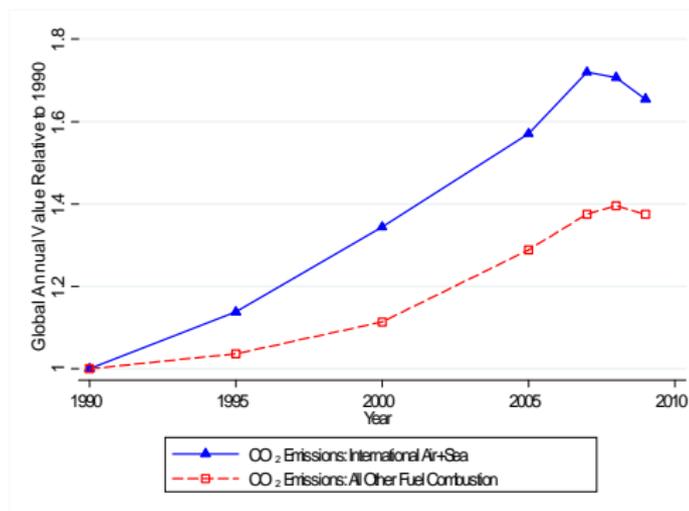
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Introduction

- ▶ How does international trade affect social welfare?
 - ▶ Standard measure: gains from trade
 - ▶ This paper adds: environmental costs of trade
- ▶ How does regulating the environmental costs of trade affect welfare?
 - ▶ Counterfactuals: EU, US, global regulations on CO₂ from shipping
 - ▶ EU: “One of the most contested environmental initiatives ever” (NY Times 2011, 2012)

Motivation

- ▶ Policymakers: we should restrict free trade because it harms the environment
- ▶ Countries are implementing sub-optimal climate policies, we should study them
- ▶ CO₂ from international shipping growing quickly
 - ▶ 4 percent today but double the growth of other sectors



Results

- ▶ Gains from trade \gg Environmental Costs of Trade
- ▶ EU, US, Global regulations increase global welfare
 - ▶ **Regressive**
 - ▶ Unilateral policy: private welfare gain, even ignoring environment.
- ▶ Measurement error important for trade elasticity
 - ▶ Conventional estimates overstate gains from trade

Existing Research and Contributions

What is new here?

- ▶ Trade and the Environment (Copeland and Taylor 2003)
 - ▶ Contributions: framework to evaluate real-world regulations; jointly analyze production and transportation
- ▶ Regulation (Greenstone 2002, Goulder et al. 2012)
 - ▶ Contributions: hybrid structural+reduced-form
- ▶ Gains From Trade (Dekle, Eaton, & Kortum 2007, Caliendo & Parro 2011, Arkolakis, Costinot, Rodríguez-Clare 2012)
 - ▶ Contributions: Built environment/energy into gravity models; Inference; Sector-specific trade elasticities

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Model of Trade and the Environment: Overview

- ▶ Observed data
 - ▶ Current bilateral trade (X_{od})
- ▶ Data to calculate:
 - ▶ $\hat{\tau}_{od}$: carbon tax \rightarrow trade cost
 - ▶ θ : trade cost \rightarrow trade flow
- ▶ How does model calculate effects of untested policies?
 - ▶ regression estimates from historic data generate θ

Model of Trade and the Environment: General Setup

- ▶ Representative agent
- ▶ One factor with inelastic supply: labor
- ▶ Armington: each country produces one variety per sector
 - ▶ Explanatory device
- ▶ Paper has intermediates, trade imbalance; ignore in slides
- ▶ Environmental harm from CO_2 (no SO_2 , other “local pollutants”)

Primitive Assumptions

Assumption 1: Preferences

$$U_d = \underbrace{\left[\prod_{j=1}^J (Q_d^j)^{\alpha_d^j} \right]}_{\text{Trade}} \underbrace{\left[\frac{1}{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E_o)^2} \right]}_{\text{Environment}}$$

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- ▶ Consumer price for sector j : $p_d^j = \left[\sum_o (p_{od}^j)^{1 - \sigma^j} \right]^{1/(1 - \sigma^j)}$
- ▶ Exact price index: $P_d = \prod_j (p_d^j)^{\alpha_d^j}$

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Assumption 2: Production Technology and Market Structure

$$p_{od}^j = w_o \tau_{od}^j$$

Implications:

- ▶ Perfect competition, iceberg trade costs

Primitive Assumptions

Assumption 3: Transportation Technology

$$\tau_{od}^j = (1 + t_{od}^j)(1 + f_{od}^j) \exp(\delta_{od}^j)$$

$$t_{od}^j = \sum_m D_{odm} \kappa_{odm}^j W_{odm}^j \xi_m \gamma_1 t_{odm}^j$$

$$f_{od}^j = \sum_m D_{odm} \kappa_{odm}^j W_{odm}^j \xi_m \gamma_2 P^{oil}$$

- ▶ Interpretation:
 - ▶ Fuel costs f = sum over modes: distance * mode share * weight/value * fuel efficiency * fuel price
- ▶ f fixed in counterfactuals
- ▶ Perfect competition in shipping

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Assumption 4: Environment

$$E_d = \sum_{o,j} \underbrace{(\gamma_3 f_{od}^j + \chi_o^j)}_{\text{Transport+Production}} \frac{X_{od}^j}{P_{od}^j}$$

- ▶ Trade emits CO₂ from production and transportation

Competitive Equilibrium

Assumption 5: Competitive Equilibrium

Utility maximization implies expenditure on sector j :

$$X_d^j = \alpha_d^j I_d$$

Utility maximization also implies “gravity” demand, $\theta^j \equiv 1 - \sigma^j$

$$\lambda_{od}^j = \left(\frac{w_o \tau_{od}^j}{p_d^j} \right)^{\theta^j}$$

Market clearing implies trade balance:

$$\underbrace{\sum_{o,j} \frac{X_{od}^j}{1 + t_{od}^j}}_{\text{d's Imports}} = \underbrace{\sum_{o,j} \frac{X_{do}^j}{1 + t_{do}^j}}_{\text{d's Exports}}$$

Model Robustness

- ▶ Full model incorporates trade imbalances, intermediate goods.
- ▶ Armington is explanatory device.
- ▶ Why similar or identical? Gravity.
 - ▶ “[S]ome of the clearest and most robust empirical findings in economics.” (Leamer and Levinsohn 1995)

▶ Gravity Models

Counterfactual Methodology

- ▶ Measure proportional effects (Dekle, Eaton, & Kortum 2008).
- ▶ $\hat{x} \equiv x'/x$.
- ▶ Level of indirect utility:

$$V_d = \left[\frac{I_d}{P_d} \right] \left[\frac{1}{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E_o)^2} \right]$$

- ▶ Equivalent variation:

$$\hat{V}_d = \left[\frac{\hat{I}_d}{\hat{P}_d} \right] \left[\frac{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E_o)^2}{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E'_o)^2} \right]$$

Taking the Model to the Data

- ▶ Observe equilibrium in 2007, add shock, calculate counterfactual.
- ▶ Observe bilateral trade X_{od}^j
- ▶ Calculate effect of carbon tax on trade costs $\hat{\tau}_{od}^j$:

$$\tau_{od}^j = (1 + t_{od}^j)(1 + f_{od}^j) \exp(\delta_{od}^j)$$
$$\hat{\tau}_{od}^j = 1 + \sum_m D_{odm} \kappa_{odm}^j W_{odm}^j \zeta_m \gamma_1 t_{odm}^j$$

- ▶ Regressions to estimate trade elasticities θ^j :

$$\lambda_{od}^j = \left(\frac{w_o \tau_{od}^j}{p_d^j} \right)^{\theta^j}$$

- ▶ Welfare effects \hat{V}_d :

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- ▶ Distance (D): GIS software for sea distances; other distances from CEPII
- ▶ Mode shares (κ : air, sea, rail, truck, other): from statistics/customs offices for 80 percent of international trade
 - ▶ Standard: US Imports/Exports of Merchandise, EU Comext (external trade)
 - ▶ Non-standard: China (Global Trade Atlas); Trade Statistics of Japan; EU Comext (internal trade); Latin American Integration Association (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela)
 - ▶ Fractional multinomial logit: impute remaining 20%.
- ▶ Weight-to-value (W_{odm}^j): like mode shares.

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Fuel efficiency ζ_m : values for each mode:

Mode	Value (gCO2/ton-km)
Air	986
Sea	10
Rail	23
Road	119
Other	0

See Appendix Table 1. [▶ \$\zeta_m\$ Details](#)

Data: Estimating Trade Elasticities

US Imports of Merchandise, Australian Bureau of Statistics

- ▶ 1991-2010
- ▶ Quarterly
- ▶ Imports Only
- ▶ US: 10-digit Harmonized System codes. Australia: 2-digit Harmonized System codes. Aggregate to 13 sectors.
- ▶ Key data fields: trade value, freight + insurance charge
- ▶ Quarterly price deflator from CPI

Data: Change in CO2 Emissions

$$E_d = \sum_{o,j} (\gamma_3 f_{od}^j + \chi_o^j) X_{od}^j / p_{od}^j$$

- ▶ CO₂ from production: χ_o^j
- ▶ Trade and production (X_{od}^j)
- ▶ Source: Global Trade and Analysis Project (GTAP)
 - ▶ Input output matrices for each country
 - ▶ Bilateral trade from UN-Comtrade
 - ▶ IPCC Tier 1 Methodology

Data: Social Cost of Carbon

- ▶ μ_d : social cost of carbon=\$19.96/tCO₂
 - ▶ Source: US government panel (Greenstone, Kopits, and Wolverton 2011)
 - ▶ Summarizes integrated assessment models (DICE, PAGE, FUND)
 - ▶ Assumed discount rate: 3%
 - ▶ Sensitivity analysis of \$4.10, \$1170
 - ▶ Bounding analysis
- ▶ Region-specific damages from RICE (Nordhaus & Boyer 2000)

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CO2 Emissions from Trade: Results

Source	International (1)	Domestic (2)	Total (3)
Shipping	1,368	1,812	3,180
Production	1,192	25,333	26,525
Total	2,560	27,145	29,705

See Table 1. All values in MtCO₂.

▶ By Mode

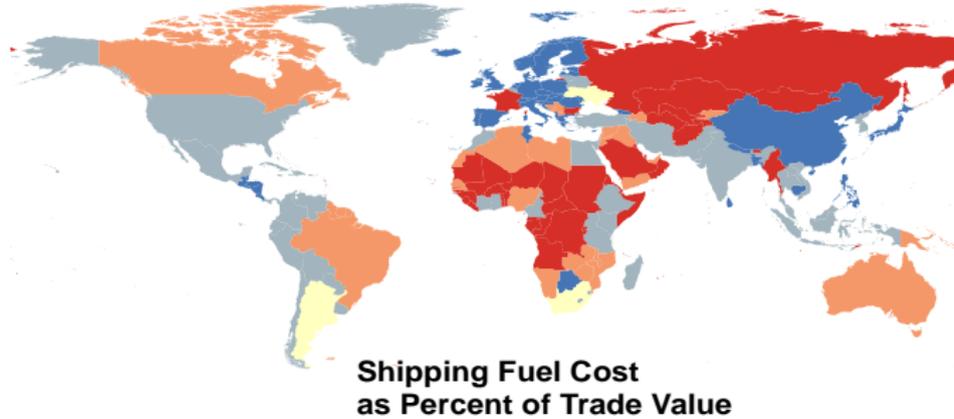
▶ By Sector

▶ By Region

▶ Fuel Costs by Sector

CO2 Emissions from Trade: Fuel Cost Map

$$f_{od} = \sum_m D_{odm} \kappa_{odm}^j W_{odm}^j \xi_m \gamma_2 P^{oil}$$



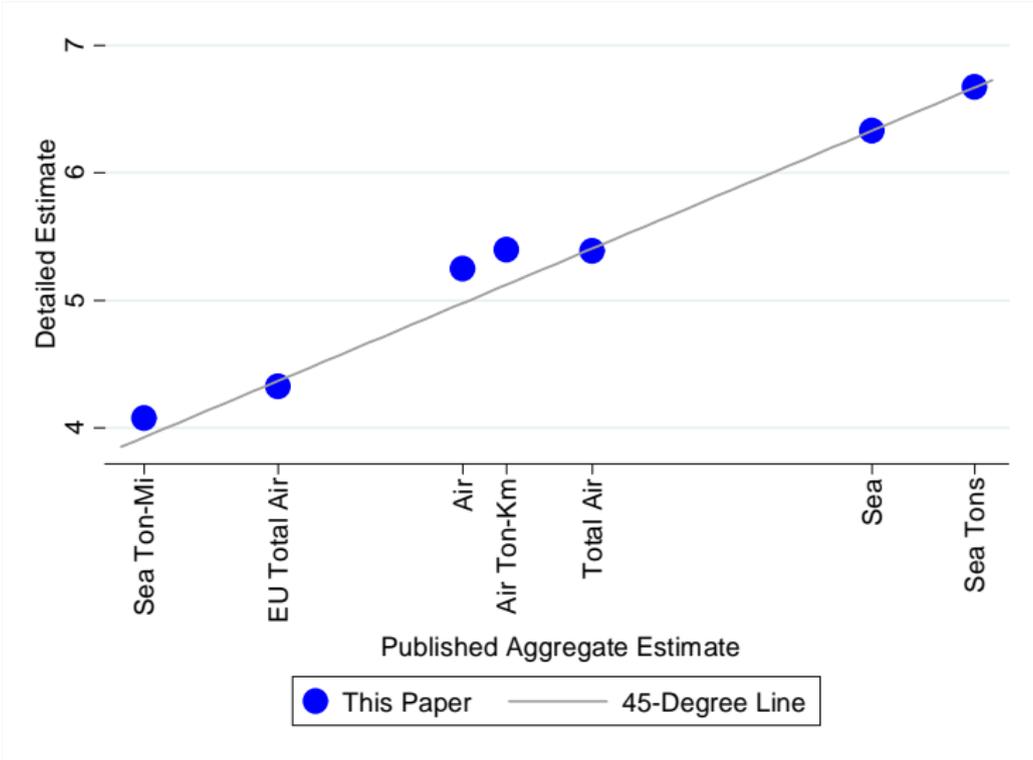
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▶ Weight-Value

▶ Distance

▶ Transport Mode

CO2 Emissions from Trade: Reasonable Estimates?



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Estimating Trade Elasticities: Background

- ▶ θ^j interpretation: elasticity of bilateral trade with respect to bilateral trade costs
- ▶ Arguably most important parameters in trade
 - ▶ Design future policies (Doha round)
 - ▶ Evaluate past policies (NAFTA)
 - ▶ Interpret macro trends (globalization)
 - ▶ Measure gains from trade
- ▶ Separately by sector but omitting j superscripts

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Parameter Definition

- ▶ Gravity demand:

$$\lambda_{ody} = \left(\frac{w_{oy} \tau_{ody}}{p_{dy}} \right)^\theta$$

- ▶ Transport technology:

$$\tau_{ody} = \underbrace{(1 + s_{ody})}_{\text{Shipping}} \exp \underbrace{(\delta_{od} + \epsilon_{ody})}_{\text{Intangibles}}$$

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Regression Equation

- ▶ Combining:

$$\log \lambda_{ody} = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}) + \theta \log w_{oy} - \theta \log p_{dy} + \delta_{od} + \epsilon_{ody}$$

- ▶ OLS

$$\log \lambda_{ody} = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}) + \epsilon_{ody}$$

- ▶ *Fixed Effects Estimator*. Addresses omitted variables, can exacerbate measurement error (Griliches & Hausman 1986):

$$\log \lambda_{ody} = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}) + \eta_{oy} + \zeta_{dy} + \delta_{od} + \epsilon_{ody}$$

- ▶ Measurement error important in trade data (Trefler 1995, Limão and Venables 2001, Hummels and Lugovskyy 2006)

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Regression Equation

- ▶ *Instrumental Variables Estimator.*

- ▶ Can solve measurement error problem (Durbin 1954, Ashenfelter & Krueger 1994)
- ▶ If measurement error correlated between endogenous variable & instrument, this lessens attenuation bias.

$$\log \lambda_{ody}^B = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}^B) + \eta_{oy}^B + \zeta_{dy}^B + \delta_{od}^B + \epsilon_{ody}^B$$

$$\log(1 + s_{ody}^B) = \beta \log(1 + s_{ody}^A) + \eta_{oy}^A + \zeta_{dy}^A + \delta_{od}^A + \epsilon_{ody}^A$$

- ▶ s_{ody}^A : shipping costs reported in quarters 2, 3
- ▶ s_{ody}^B : shipping costs reported in quarters 1, 4
- ▶ Standard errors clustered within o-d
- ▶ Zeros excluded (Appendix has alternatives)

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Economy-wide Results

$$\log(\lambda_{ody}) = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}) + \epsilon_{ody}$$

Log Freight Costs (OLS) (1)	Log Trade Costs (FE) (2)	Log Shipping Costs (FS) (3)	Log Import Shares (IV) (4)
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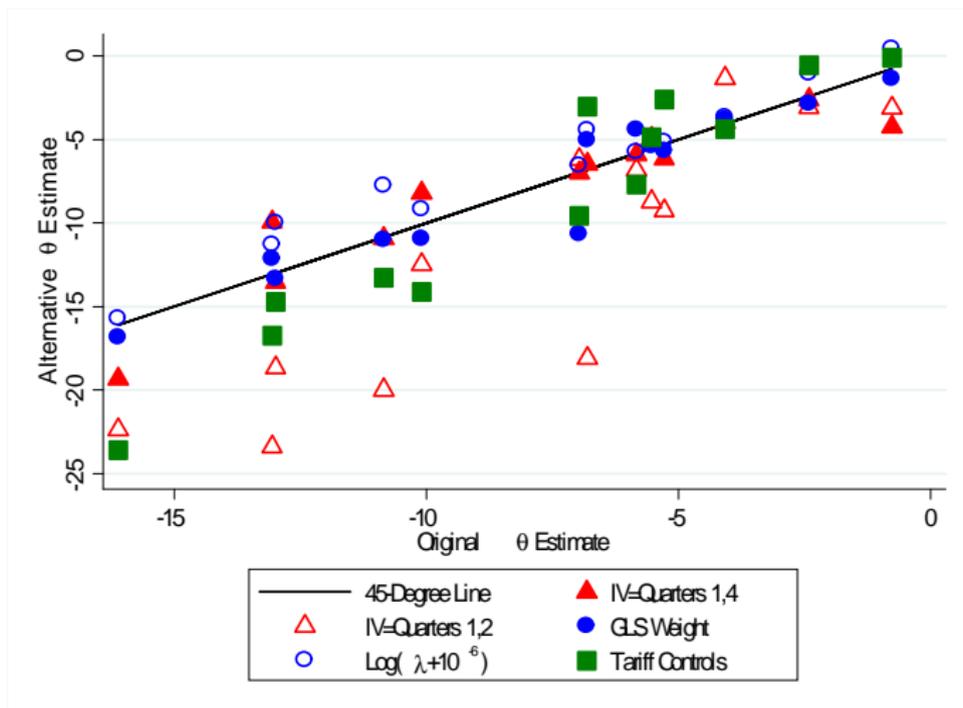
1. Non-Manufactured: Agriculture,	2. Non-Manufactured: Mining	3. Food, Beverages, Tobacco	4. Textiles	5. Apparel, Leather
-3.335	-3.450***	-5.361***	-18.552***	-9.949***
(3.396)	(1.314)	(1.726)	(5.056)	(2.893)

6. Wood	7. Paper, Printing	8. Petroleum, Coal, Minerals	9. Chemicals, Rubber, Plastics
-5.901***	-5.623*	-8.949**	-0.769
(1.818)	(2.936)	(3.766)	(2.557)

10. Metals	11. Machinery, Electrical	12. Transport Equipment	13. Other
-12.926*	-10.908***	-6.868**	-12.768**
(6.737)	(2.795)	(3.448)	(5.374)

See Table 2.

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Other Specifications



See Appendix Table 2c.

▶ Other θ Specifications

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Rauch Test

$$\log(\lambda_{ody}^B) = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}^B) + \delta_{od}^B + \eta_{oy}^B + \zeta_{dy}^B + \epsilon_{ody}^B$$

	Log Shipping Costs (FS)	Log Import Shares (IV)
Differentiated	0.26*** (0.05)	-5.75** (2.59)
Reference Priced	0.38*** (0.04)	-5.81** (2.33)
Homogenous	0.36*** (0.07)	-9.18*** (2.77)

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Counterfactual Methodology: Autarky

- ▶ Counterfactual: autarky for all countries: $\hat{\tau}_{od}^j = +\infty \forall o \neq d$
- ▶ Equivalent variation:

$$A_d = \underbrace{\left[\prod_{j=1}^J (\lambda_{dd}^j)^{-\alpha_d^j / \theta^j} \right]}_{\text{Trade}} \underbrace{\left[\frac{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E_o)^2}{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E'_o)^2} \right]}_{\text{Environment}}$$

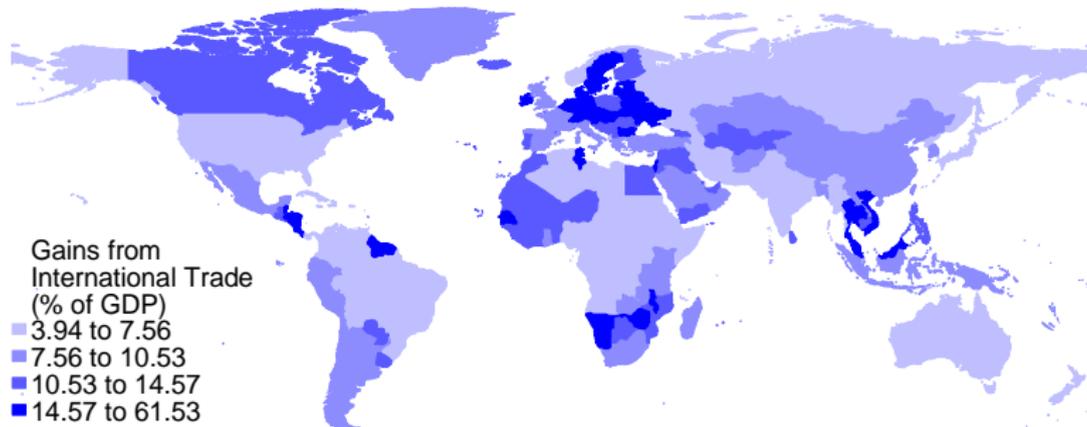
- ▶ λ_{dd}^j rationale: see Arkolakis, Costinot, and Rodríguez-Clare (2012)
- ▶ Inference: resample θ_d^j , bias-corrected bootstrap for 95-percent confidence interval (Efron 1987)

▶ Bootstrap Algorithm

▶ CO2 emissions in autarky

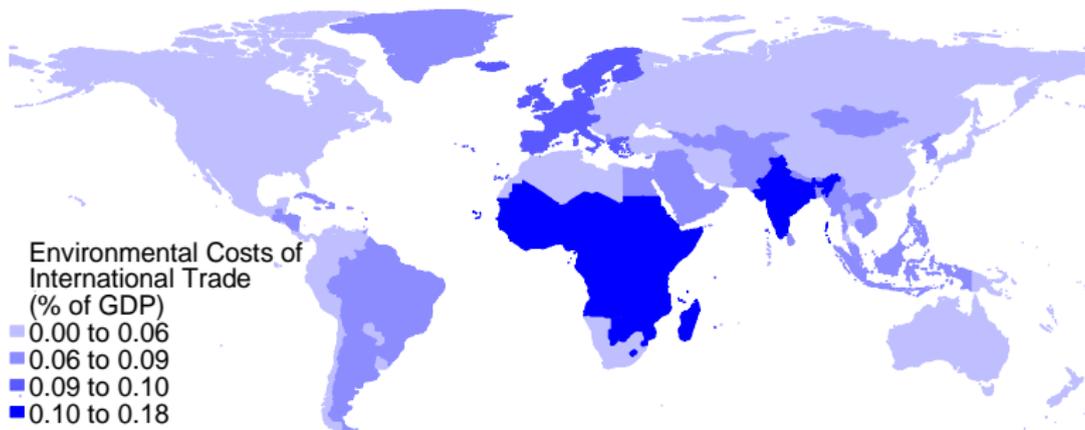
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$$GFT_d = 1 - \prod_{j=1} (\lambda_{dd}^j)^{-\alpha_d^j / \beta_d^j \theta_d^j}$$



Environmental Costs of International Trade

$$ECT_d = (\mu_d^2 + \Sigma_o E_o^2) / (\mu_d^2 + \Sigma_o E_o'^2)$$



See Figure 4.

Annual Welfare Effects of International Trade

	Gains from Trade	Enviromental Costs of Trade	Social Welfare	Ratio: (1)/(2)
World	5780 [3374 , 17373]	-32.0 [-41 , -16]	5809 [3515 , 15209]	-180 [-1770 , -87]

See Table 4. Dollar values in 2007 US\$ billions. 95% confidence regions in brackets.

▶ [Region-by-Region](#)

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- ▶ EU Emissions Trading System (ETS)
 - ▶ World's largest climate change regulation
 - ▶ New in 2012: air transportation
 - ▶ Counterfactual: \$19.96/tCO₂ tax on air shipping
- ▶ US Waxman-Markey Bill
 - ▶ Passed US House but not Senate in 2009
 - ▶ Counterfactual: \$19.96/tCO₂ tax on all CO₂ emissions from shipping
- ▶ Kyoto Protocol (1997)
 - ▶ Required global cap-and-trade for plane and sea emissions. Never implemented.
 - ▶ Counterfactual: \$19.96/tCO₂ tax on CO₂ from air & sea shipping

Counterfactual Methodology: Regulation

- ▶ Shock:

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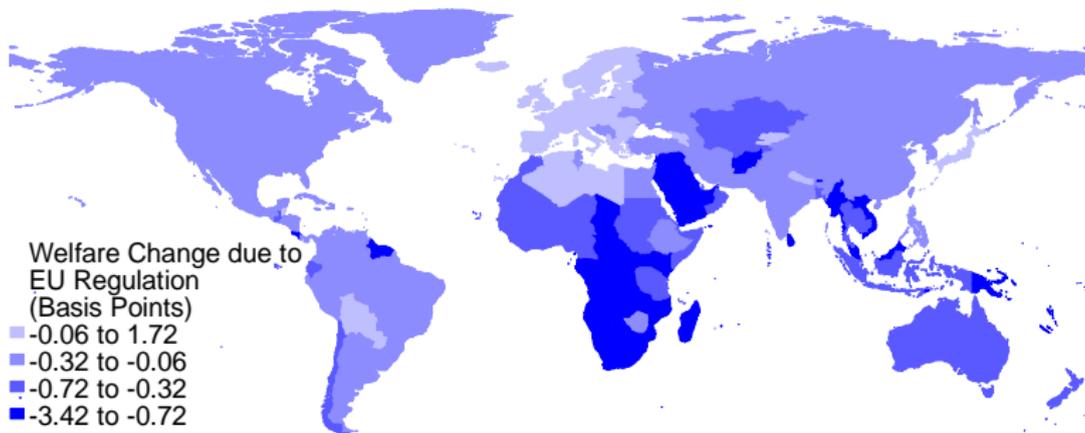
- ▶ Model becomes system of N-1 equations in N-1 unknowns \hat{w}_d :

$$\sum_{o,j} \frac{X_{od}^{j'}}{1 + t_{od}^j} = \sum_{d,j} \frac{X_{od}^{j'}}{1 + t_{od}^j}$$

- ▶ Then, welfare change:

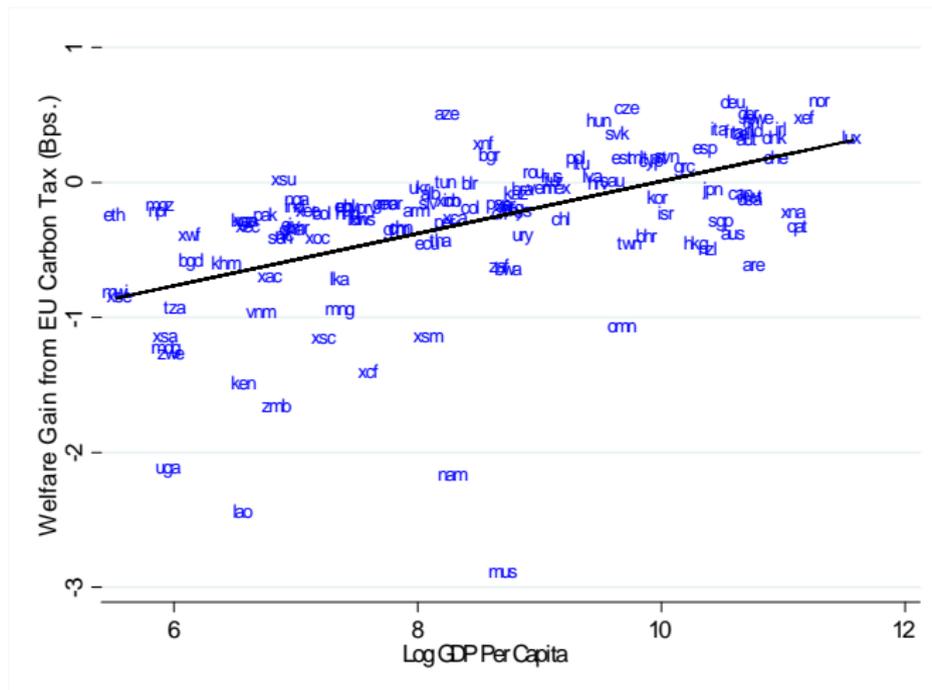
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Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: EU Carbon Tax Results



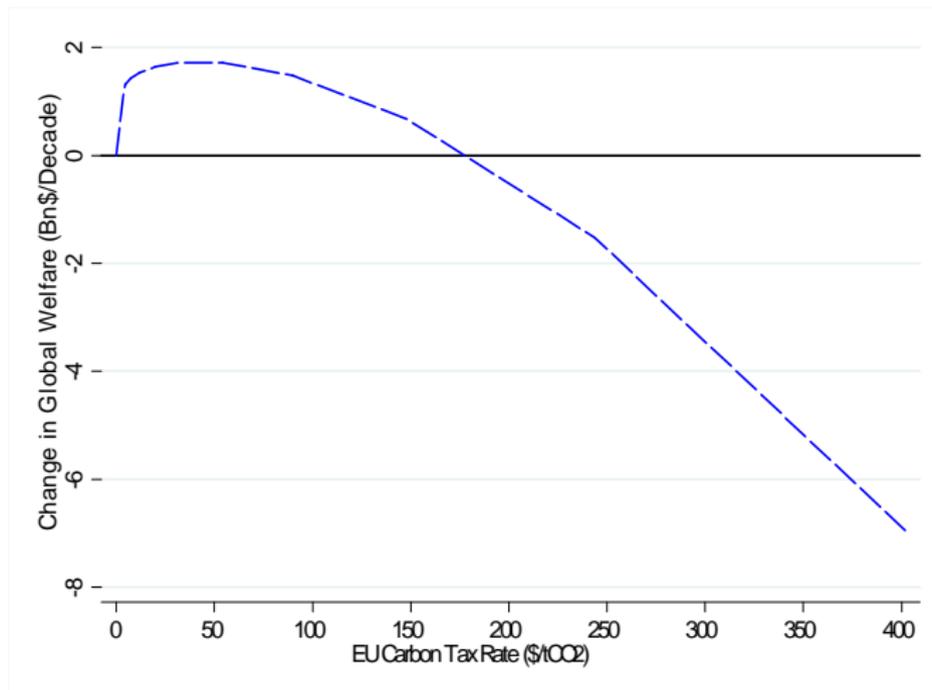
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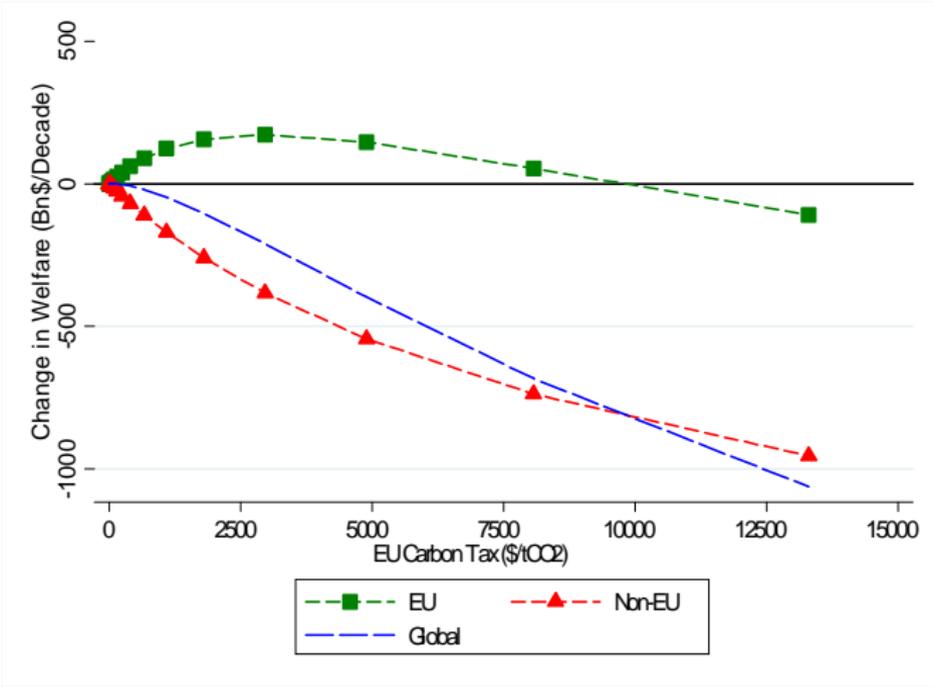
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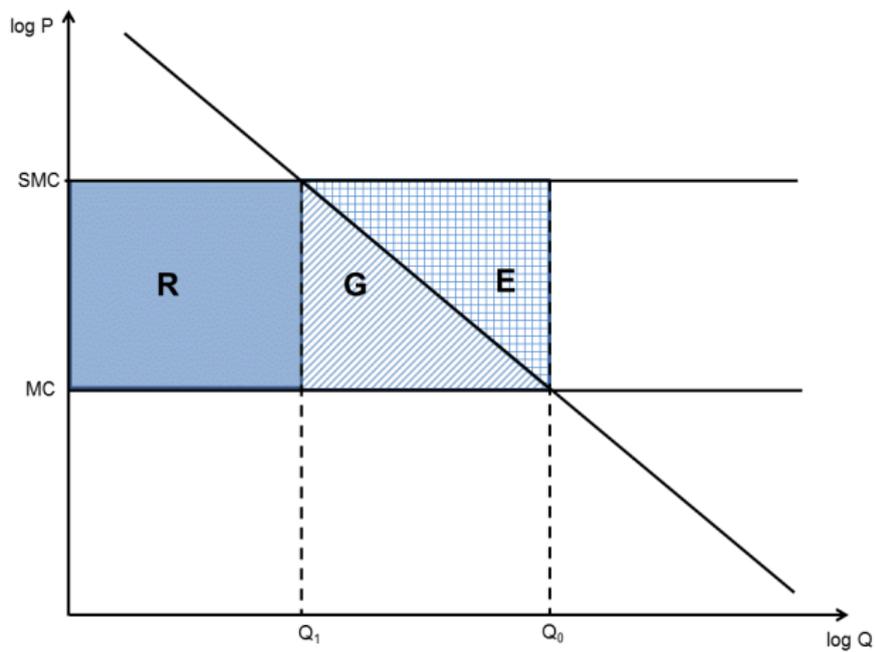
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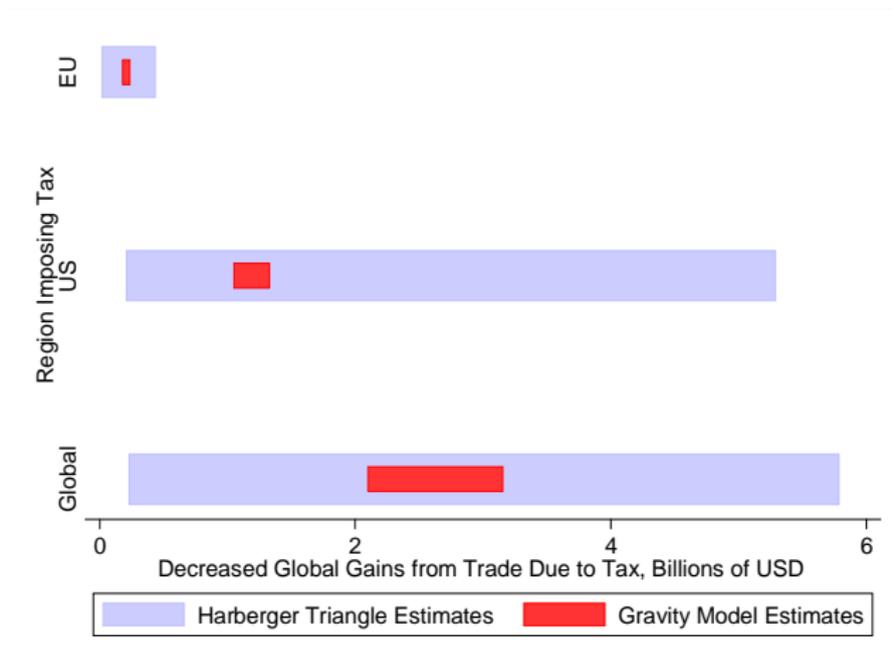
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See Appendix Table 4. [▶ Harberger: Environmental Costs of Trade](#)

Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: EU Carbon Tax Results

	Gains from Trade	Environmental Costs of Trade	Social Welfare: Total	Social Welfare: Basis Points
<u>Panel A: Global</u>				
World	-1.6 [-1.8 , -1.4]	-6.9 [-7.1 , -6.6]	5.2 [4.8 , 5.6]	0.09 [0.08 , 0.10]
<u>Panel B: By Region</u>				
US	16.9 [12.3 , 21.2]	-0.5 [-0.6 , -0.5]	17.4 [12.9 , 21.8]	1.16 [0.86 , 1.45]
EU	-6.3 [-7.2 , -5.2]	-3.8 [-3.9 , -3.6]	-2.5 [-3.5 , -1.4]	-0.14 [-0.20 , -0.08]
<u>Panel C: By GDP Per Capita</u>				
Richest Third	5.8 [3.2 , 8.1]	-4.9 [-5.1 , -4.7]	10.6 [8.5 , 12.8]	0.25 [0.20 , 0.31]
Middle Third	-4.5 [-6.8 , -2.3]	-1.0 [-1.1 , -1.0]	-3.5 [-5.9 , -1.3]	-0.31 [-0.53 , -0.11]
Poorest Third	-2.9 [-5.8 , -2.1]	-0.9 [-1.0 , -0.9]	-1.9 [-4.9 , -1.4]	-0.61 [-1.56 , -0.43]

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<u>Panel B: By Region</u>				
US	16.9 [12.3 , 21.2]	-0.5 [-0.6 , -0.5]	17.4 [12.9 , 21.8]	1.16 [0.86 , 1.45]
EU	-6.3 [-7.2 , -5.2]	-3.8 [-3.9 , -3.6]	-2.5 [-3.5 , -1.4]	-0.14 [-0.20 , -0.08]
<u>Panel C: By GDP Per Capita</u>				
Richest Third	5.8 [3.2 , 8.1]	-4.9 [-5.1 , -4.7]	10.6 [8.5 , 12.8]	0.25 [0.20 , 0.31]
Middle Third	-4.5 [-6.8 , -2.3]	-1.0 [-1.1 , -1.0]	-3.5 [-5.9 , -1.3]	-0.31 [-0.53 , -0.11]
Poorest Third	-2.9 [-5.8 , -2.1]	-0.9 [-1.0 , -0.9]	-1.9 [-4.9 , -1.4]	-0.61 [-1.56 , -0.43]

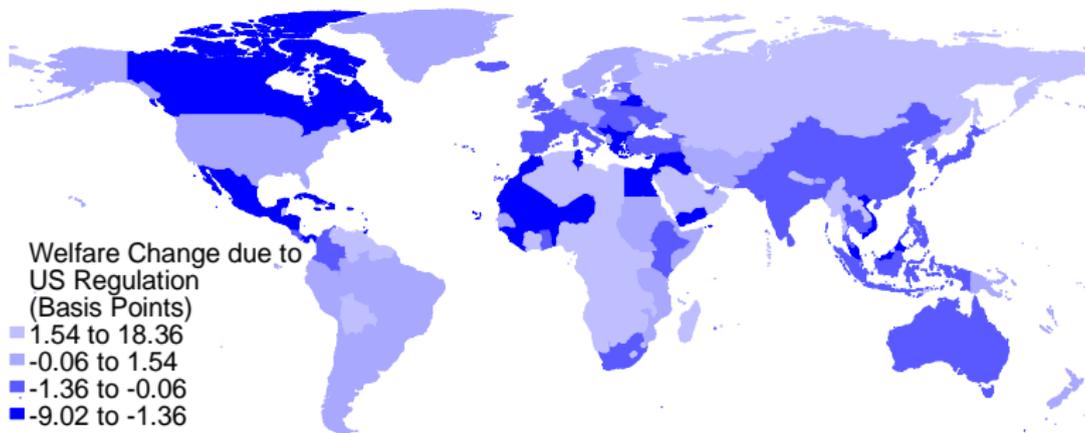
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Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: EU Carbon Tax Results

	Gains from Trade	Environmental Costs of Trade	Social Welfare: Total	Social Welfare: Basis Points
<u>Panel A: Global</u>				
World	-1.6 [-1.8 , -1.4]	-6.9 [-7.1 , -6.6]	5.2 [4.8 , 5.6]	0.09 [0.08 , 0.10]
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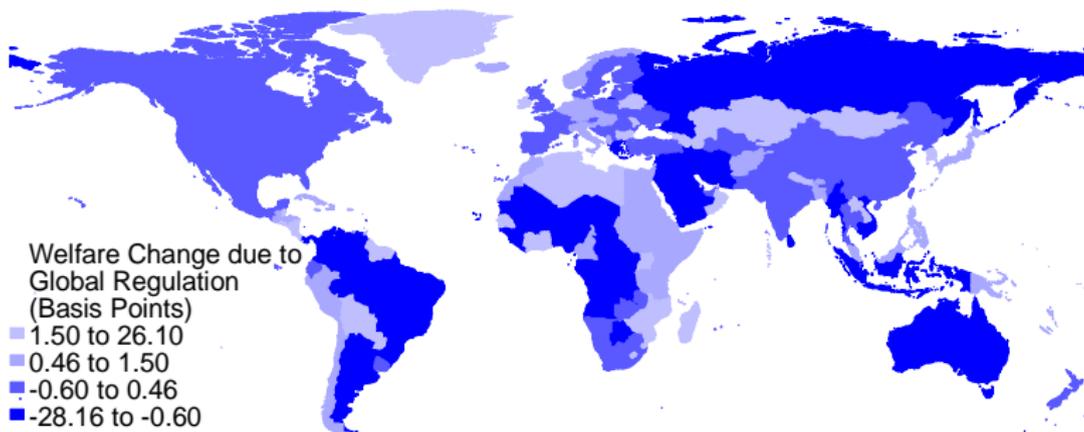
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Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: US Carbon Tax Results



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Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: Global Carbon Tax Results



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Conclusions

- ▶ Model; new CO₂ data; estimate trade elasticities
 - ▶ Same spirit as “sufficient statistics for welfare analysis” (Chetty 2009)
- ▶ Findings:
 - ▶ Gains from trade \gg Environmental Costs of Trade
 - ▶ EU, US, Global regulations increase global welfare
 - ▶ Regressive
 - ▶ Unilateral policy: privately optimal, even ignoring environment
 - ▶ Measurement error important for trade elasticity
 - ▶ Gains from trade smaller than conventional estimates imply
- ▶ Future work:
 - ▶ Environmental implications of heterogeneous firms: Intra-industry reallocation and air pollution
 - ▶ Consequences of state-level energy regulations (e.g., California’s AB32)

Estimating Trade Elasticities: Other Specifications

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Entire Economy	-10.099** (4.662)	-5.376 (4.278)	-8.472* (4.332)	-7.534** (3.298)	-1.544 (1.181)
Quarters 1,4 Instrument Quarters 2,3	x				
Quarters 1,2 Instrument Quarters 3,4		x			
GLS Weights			x		
Log(x+0.00001)				x	
Include Tariffs in Freight Cost					x

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Estimating Trade Elasticities: Other Specifications

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Manufacturing Estimates	-6.698***	-6.039	-7.433*	-6.187**	-0.92
	(2.265)	(4.185)	(4.212)	(2.755)	(1.086)
Quarters 1,4 Instrument Quarters 2,3	x				
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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<i>Non-Manufacturing</i>					
Agriculture, Forestry	-2.598 (1.920)	-3.064* (1.859)	-2.886 (4.335)	-1.074 (2.334)	-0.549 (3.278)
Mining	-3.949*** (0.935)	-1.33 (1.021)	-3.837*** (1.458)	-3.682*** (1.231)	-4.381*** (1.464)
<i>Manufacturing</i>					
Food, Beverages, Tobacco	-6.138*** (1.419)	-9.268*** (2.456)	-5.705*** (2.207)	-5.193*** (1.657)	-2.587 (2.192)
Textiles	-19.326*** (3.620)	-22.376*** (5.729)	-16.874*** (5.682)	-15.731*** (4.220)	-23.596*** (5.998)
Apparel, Leather	-8.201*** (1.788)	-12.474*** (2.736)	-10.984*** (3.550)	-9.217*** (2.523)	-14.129*** (4.573)
Wood	-5.891*** (1.276)	-6.828** (2.930)	-4.438** (2.140)	-5.769*** (1.754)	-7.679*** (2.009)
Quarters 1,4 Instrument Quarters 2,3	x				
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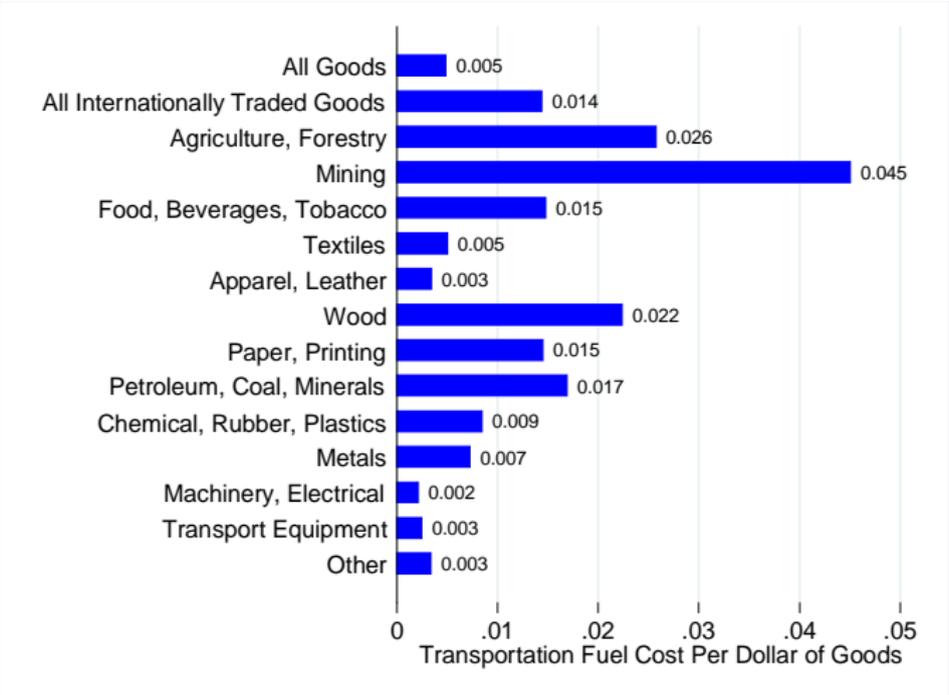
Estimating Trade Elasticities: Other Specifications

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<i>Non-Manufacturing</i>					
Paper, Printing	-4.929** (2.039)	-8.711 (10.231)	-5.348 (3.634)	-5.441** (2.702)	-4.871* (2.755)
Petroleum, Coal, Minerals	-7.008*** (2.370)	-6.170*** (2.196)	-10.684 (6.790)	-6.598* (3.650)	-9.569** (4.224)
Chemicals, Rubber, Plastics	-4.233** (1.828)	-3.121 (1.919)	-1.419 (3.064)	0.385 (2.006)	-0.088 (2.946)
Metals	-13.544*** (4.217)	-18.666*** (6.786)	-13.386* (7.565)	-10.018** (5.012)	-14.723** (6.504)
Machinery, Electrical	-10.924*** (2.046)	-19.976** (8.352)	-11.051*** (3.783)	-7.789*** (2.273)	-13.273*** (3.346)
Transport Equipment	-6.473** (2.731)	-18.075* (10.675)	-5.079 (5.685)	-4.491 (3.001)	-3.016 (4.080)
Other	-9.937*** (3.245)	-23.401* (13.799)	-12.185** (5.986)	-11.342** (4.601)	-16.749** (6.897)
Quarters 1,4 Instrument Quarters 2,3	x				
Quarters 1,2 Instrument Quarters 3,4		x			
GLS Weights			x		
Log(x+0.00001)				x	
Include Tariffs in Freight Cost					x

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Fuel per Dollar of Good



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Fuel Efficiency by Mode

Mode	Value (gCO ₂ /ton-km)	Method	Region	Source
Air	985.97	Fuel consumption divided by ton-km	Global	This paper, IATA (2009)
Air	540	n.a.	Boeing 747	NTM (2012)
Air	912 to 963.45	Calculations from published data	US	Cristea (2011)
Air	595-1916	Engineering estimates	UK	Defra (2009)
Sea	9.53	Global CO ₂ emissions from IEA (2011) divided by original ton-km freight estimates	Global	This paper
Sea	4.5 to 16.3	Engineering estimates aggregated over ship fleet registries	Global	Psaraftis and Kontovas (2009)
Sea	15 to 21	n.a.	n.a.	NTM (2012)
Sea	4 to 20	Engineering estimates	UK	Defra (2009)
Rail	23	Summary of studies listed below	Global	This paper
Rail	23	n.a.	Asia	ADB (2010)
Rail	22.7	n.a.	EU15	Giannouli et al. (2006)
Rail	7.3 to 26.3	Literature review	EU	Cefic (2011)
Rail	27.6	Fuel consumption divided by freight transport	UK	ORR (2009)
Rail	10-119	Literature review	Various	IMO (2009)
Road	119	Summary of studies listed below	Global	This paper
Road	119.7	n.a.	EU	Giannouli et al. (2006)
Road	61	n.a.	Asia	ADB (2010)
Road	118.6	Fuel consumption divided by freight transport	UK	Defra (2009)
Road	80-181	Literature review	Various	IMO (2009)
Other	0	Assumption	Global	This paper

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CO2 by Mode

	International	Domestic	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Air	189	27	216
Sea	653	110	763
Rail	26	36	62
Road	500	1,639	2,139
Shipping Total	1,368	1,812	3,180

See Table 1. All values in MtCO₂.

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CO2 by Sector

	International	Domestic	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)
<i>Non-Manufacturing</i>			
Agriculture, Forestry	160	757	917
Mining	782	601	1,383
<i>Manufacturing</i>			
Food, Beverages, Tobacco	117	618	735
Textiles	35	71	107
Apparel, Leather	29	26	55
Wood	44	115	159
Paper, Printing	68	297	365
Petroleum, Coal, Minerals	434	1,761	2,195
Chemicals, Rubber, Plastics	353	690	1,043
Metals	333	804	1,137
Machinery, Electrical	133	111	244
Transport Equipment	48	70	118
Other	21	49	70
Non-Tradable Goods	0	21,176	21,176
Total	2,559	27,146	29,704

See Table 1. All values in MtCO₂.

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CO2 by Region

	International	Domestic	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)
US	355	6,106	6,462
EU	747	4,346	5,093
Brazil, Russia, India, China	360	8,438	8,798
Sub-Saharan Africa	66	528	595
Other	1,031	7,727	8,757
Total	2,559	27,146	29,704

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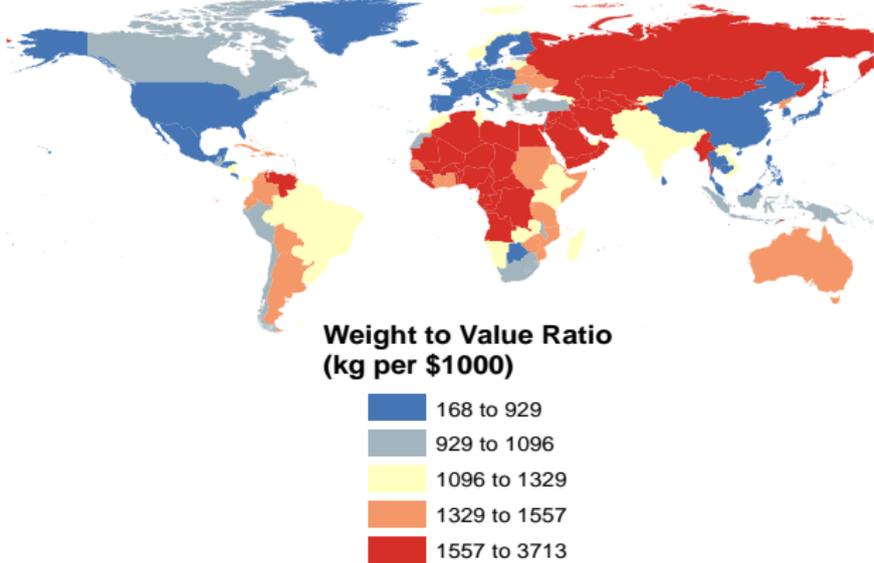
Textbook Pigouvian Results

	Gains from Trade			Environmental Cost of Trade			Welfare
	Real Labor	Tax					
	Income	Revenue	Total	Transport	Production	Total	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<u>Demand Elasticity for Shipping Fuels: -0.02</u>							
EU tax: air	-14.93	14.94	-0.02	-0.04	n.a.	-0.04	0.02
US tax: air, sea, rail, road	-178.89	179.10	-0.21	-0.42	n.a.	-0.42	0.21
Global tax: air, sea	-195.77	196.00	-0.23	-0.46	n.a.	-0.46	0.23
<u>Demand Elasticity for Shipping Fuels: -0.50</u>							
EU tax: air	-15.35	15.79	-0.44	-0.88	n.a.	-0.88	0.44
US tax: air, sea, rail, road	-183.97	189.26	-5.29	-10.58	n.a.	-10.58	5.29
Global tax: air, sea	-201.33	207.12	-5.79	-11.58	n.a.	-11.58	5.79
<u>Reprinted from Tables 5-7: General Equilibrium Model Estimates</u>							
EU tax: air	-14.20	13.99	-0.21	-1.80	-0.03	-1.84	1.63
US tax: air, sea, rail, road	-171.22	170.03	-1.18	-3.34	-1.31	-4.65	3.47
Global tax: air, sea	-178.17	175.57	-2.59	-6.84	-1.17	-8.00	5.41

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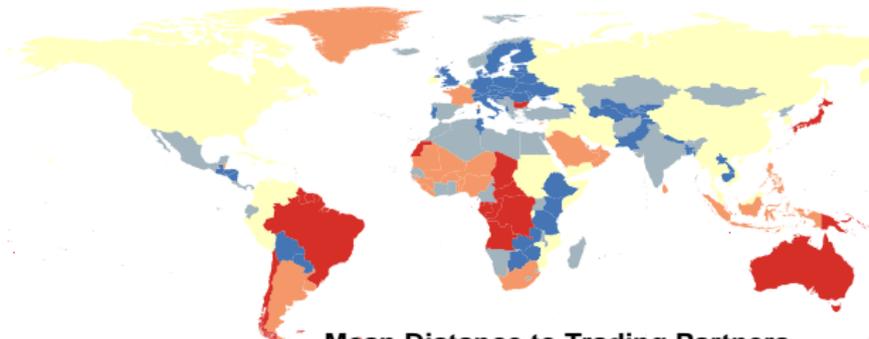
CO2 Emissions from Trade: Weight-Value Map



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CO2 Emissions from Trade: Distance Map

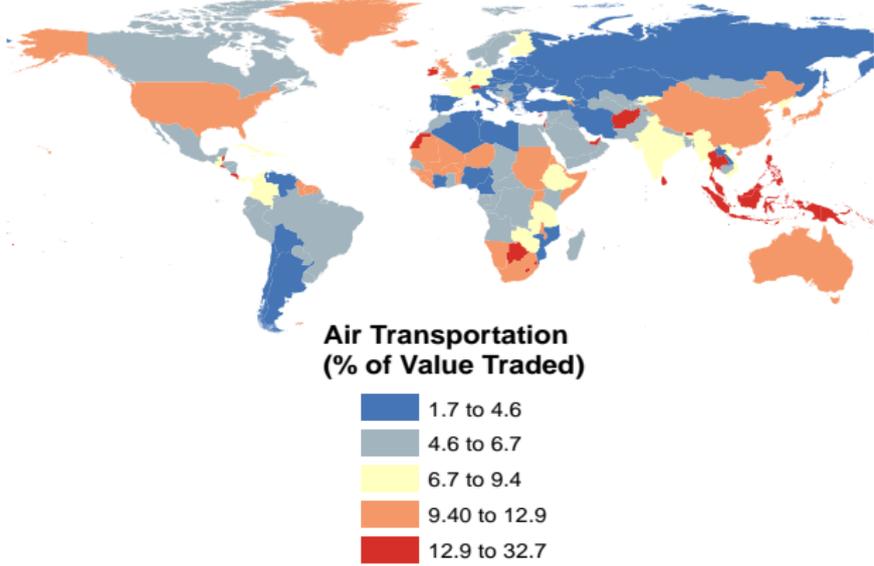


**Mean Distance to Trading Partners
(Thousands of km)**



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CO2 Emissions from Trade: Air Transport Map



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Counterfactual Methodology: Regulation Detail

$$\hat{l}_d = \frac{\hat{w}_d(w_d L_d) + R'_d - S_d}{w_d L_d - S_d}$$

$$\hat{P}_d = \sum_{j=1}^j (\hat{p}_d^j)^{\alpha_d^j}$$

$$E'_d = \sum_{o,j} (\lambda f_{od}^j + \chi_o^j) \frac{X_{od}^j}{P_{od}^j} \frac{\hat{X}_{od}^j}{\hat{P}_{od}^j}$$

$$\hat{p}_d^j = \left[\sum_o \lambda_{od}^j (\hat{c}_o^j \hat{t}_{od}^j)^{\theta^j} \right]^{1/\theta^j}$$

$$\hat{c}_o^j = (\hat{w}_o)^{\beta_o^j} (\hat{p}_o^j)^{1-\beta_o^j}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{od}^j = \left(\frac{\hat{c}_o^j \hat{t}_{od}^j}{\hat{p}_d^j} \right)^{\hat{\theta}^j}$$

Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: US Carbon Tax Results

	Gains from Trade	Environmental Costs of Trade	Welfare	
			Total	Basis Points
<u>Panel A: Global</u>				
World	-1.18 [-1.3 , -1.0]	-4.65 [-4.9 , -4.4]	3.47 [3.1 , 4.0]	0.06 [0.06 , 0.07]
<u>Panel B: By Region</u>				
US	19.76 [14.1 , 25.0]	-0.36 [-0.4 , -0.3]	20.12 [14.5 , 25.4]	1.34 [0.97 , 1.69]
<u>Panel C: By Baseline GDP Per Capita</u>				
Richest Third	8.49 [5.4 , 11.8]	-3.32 [-3.5 , -3.1]	11.80 [8.6 , 15.0]	0.28 [0.21 , 0.36]
Middle Third	-6.48 [-9.6 , -3.7]	-0.70 [-0.7 , -0.7]	-5.78 [-9.0 , -3.1]	-0.52 [-0.81 , -0.28]
Poorest Third	-3.19 [-4.6 , -2.5]	-0.70 [-0.7 , -0.6]	-2.55 [-4.0 , -1.8]	-0.80 [-1.25 , -0.58]

See Table 6. Policy: \$19.96/ton CO2 tax applied to all CO2 emissions from freight for US imports and exports. Tax revenues rebated lump-sum to US. [▶ Back to Slides](#)

Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: Global Carbon Tax Results

	Gains from Trade	Environmental Costs of Trade	Welfare	
			Total	Basis Points
World	-2.59 [-3.2 , -2.1]	-8.00 [-9.6 , -6.9]	5.41 [4.6 , 6.6]	0.10 [0.08 , 0.12]
Richest Third	8.43 [7.2 , 9.6]	-5.70 [-6.9 , -4.9]	14.13 [12.2 , 15.8]	0.34 [0.29 , 0.38]
Middle Third	-6.96 [-8.3 , -5.9]	-1.20 [-1.4 , -1.0]	-5.75 [-7.0 , -4.8]	-0.52 [-0.63 , -0.44]
Poorest Third	-4.07 [-4.7 , -3.6]	-1.20 [-1.3 , -0.9]	-2.97 [-3.6 , -2.5]	-0.93 [-1.13 , -0.78]

See Table 7. Policy: \$19.96/ton CO₂ tax applied to all CO₂ emissions from freight. Tax revenues rebated lump-sum to importer. [▶ Back to Slides](#)

Taking the Model to the Data

- ▶ Observe π_{od}^j : bilateral trade flows
- ▶ Estimate θ^j : elasticity of bilateral trade costs with respect to bilateral trade

$$\lambda_{od}^j = \left(\frac{c_o^j \tau_{od}^j}{p_d^j} \right)^{\theta^j}$$

- ▶ Calculate $\tilde{\tau}_{od}^j$: Impact of climate policy on bilateral trade costs

$$\hat{\tau}_{od}^j = \frac{(1 + f_{od}^{j'})}{(1 + f_{od}^j)}$$

- ▶ Calculate welfare:

$$\hat{V}_d = \left[\frac{\hat{l}_d}{\hat{P}_d} \right] \left[\frac{1}{1 + (\mu_d^{-1} \sum_o E_o)^2} \right]$$

Counterfactual Methodology: Bootstrap for Inference

- ▶ Confidence region: $(\zeta^{(\alpha_1)}, \zeta^{(\alpha_2)})$
 - ▶ $\zeta^{(\alpha)}$: $100 \cdot \alpha$ th percentile of the B estimates
- ▶ Bias-corrected percentiles:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 &= \Phi(2z_0 + z^{(\alpha)}) \\ \alpha_2 &= \Phi(2z_0 + z^{(1-\alpha)})\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ $\Phi(\cdot)$: standard normal CDF
- ▶ $z^{(\alpha)}$: $100 \cdot \alpha$ th percentile of a standard normal CDF
- ▶ z_0 : bias-correction coefficient

$$z_0 \equiv \Phi^{-1} \left(B^{-1} \sum_{b=1}^B 1[\zeta(b) < \zeta] \right)$$

Gravity Models

Others theories in same family:

Model	Type of Competition	Technology	θ Interpretation
Armington (1969)	Perfect	Armington	Elasticity of Substitution
Eaton & Kortum (2002)	Perfect	Ricardian	Productivity Dispersion
BEJK (2003)	Bertrand	Ricardian	Productivity Dispersion
Krugman (1980)	Monopolistic	Homogenous	Elasticity of Substitution
Melitz (2003), Chaney (2008)	Monopolistic	Heterogeneous, Pareto	Pareto Shape Parameter
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Welfare Effects of International Trade, by Region

	Gains from Trade (1)	Environmental Costs of Trade Total (2)	Transport Share (3)	Welfare (4)	Ratio: (1)/(2) (5)
US	561 [315 , 3935]	2.6 [2.0 , 4.7]	0.30 [0.15 , 0.47]	558 [313 , 3933]	218 [150 , 1655]
EU	2,561 [1213 , 9630]	19.3 [15.2 , 35.3]	0.70 [0.51 , 0.76]	2,545 [1198 , 9622]	133 [81 , 540]
Sub-Saharan Africa	68 [40 , 294]	1.1 [0.9 , 2.1]	0.63 [0.47 , 0.71]	67 [39 , 293]	61 [44 , 283]

See Table 4. Bracketed numbers represent 95% confidence intervals, estimated with bias-corrected bootstrap.

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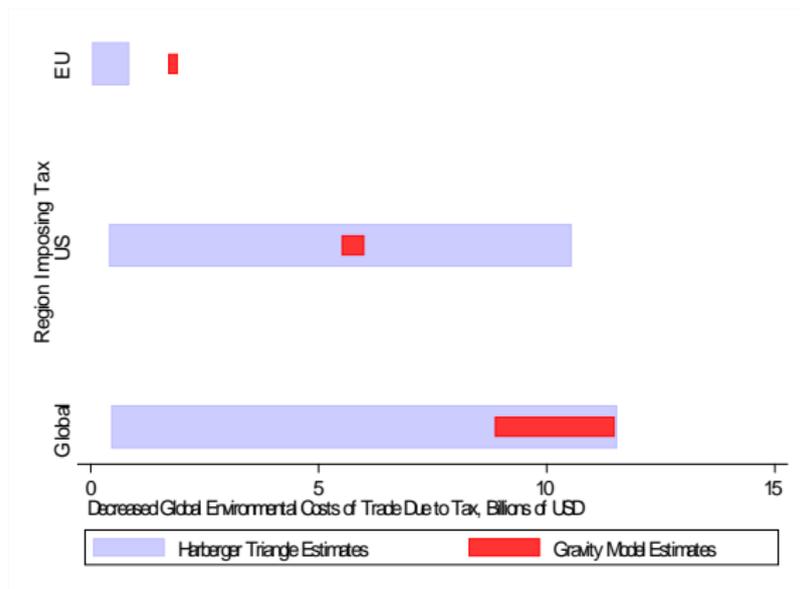
Welfare Effects of International Trade, by Income

	Gains from Trade (1)	Environmental Costs of Trade Total (2)	Transport Share (3)	Welfare (4)	Ratio: (1)/(2) (5)
Richest Third	3,979 [1977 , 16405]	25.1 [19.9 , 46.1]	0.64 [0.44 , 0.72]	3,957 [1907 , 14784]	158 [98 , 706]
Middle Third	1,062 [575 , 4207]	5.5 [4.4 , 10.1]	0.42 [0.24 , 0.52]	1,057 [556 , 3807]	192 [133 , 778]
Poorest Third	251 [142 , 1113]	4.8 [3.8 , 8.7]	0.36 [0.21 , 0.44]	247 [138 , 1109]	53 [39 , 193]

See Table 4. Bracketed numbers represent 95% confidence intervals, estimated with bias-corrected bootstrap.

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Carbon Tax Counterfactuals: Comparison to Harberger Triangles



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Estimating Trade Elasticities: Manufacturing

$$\log(\lambda_{ody}^B) = \theta \log(1 + s_{ody}^B) + \delta_{od}^B + \eta_{oy}^B + \zeta_{dy}^B + \epsilon_{ody}^B$$

	Log Freight Costs (OLS) (1)	Log Trade Costs (FE) (2)	Log Shipping Costs (FS) (3)	Log Import Shares (IV) (4)
Overall:	-24.55***	-4.17***	0.22***	-6.68
Manufacturing	(1.84)	(1.07)	(0.04)	(4.21)

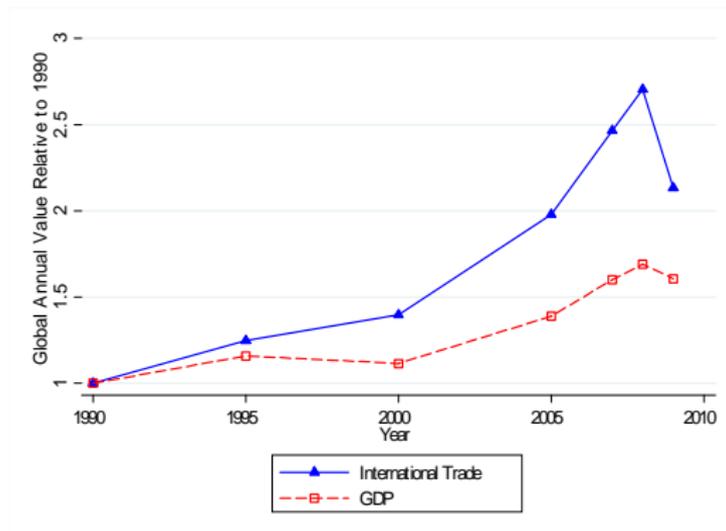
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CO2 Emissions in Autarky

$$E'_d = \sum_j (\gamma_3 f_{dd}^j + \chi_d^j) (\lambda_{dd}^j)^{-(1-\beta_d^j)/(\beta_d^j \theta^j)}$$

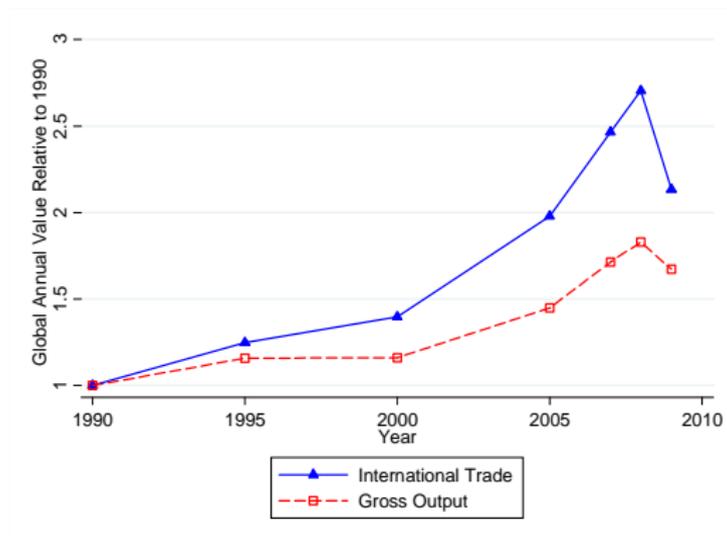
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Motivation: GDP Versus International Trade



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Motivation: Gross Output Versus International Trade



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