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Abstract

This paper integrates two lines of research into a unified conceptual framework: trade in global value chains and embodied emissions. This allows both value added and emissions to be systematically traced at the country, sector, and bilateral levels through various routes in global production networks. By combining value-added and emissions accounting in a consistent way, the potential environmental cost (amount of emissions per unit of value added) along global value chains can be estimated from different perspectives (production, consumption, and trade). Using this unified accounting method, we trace value-added and CO₂ emissions in global production and trade networks among 41 economies in 35 sectors from 1995 to 2009 based on the World Input–Output Database, and show how they improve our understanding on the impact of cross-border production sharing on the environment.

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1. Introduction

The rise of global value chains (GVCs) during the last two decades has significantly changed the nature and structure of international trade, with many new implications for policy (Baldwin, 2012; Timmer et al. 2013). Studies on GVCs have covered a variety of topics such as vertical specialization (Hummel et al. 2001), trade in tasks (Grossman and Rossi-Hansberg 2008; Baldwin and Robert-Nicoud 2014), magnification of trade cost from multi-stage production (Yi 2010), value chain organization (Antras and Chor 2013) as well as the measurement of the creation and distribution of employment and income in GVCs (OECD et al. 2013; Timmer et al. 2014b; Ferrarini and Hummels 2014).

In recent years, however, many scholars have turned their attention to the interaction of GVCs and environmental policies (Hoekstra and Wiedmann 2014). A large body of literature has developed to assess “consumption-based accounting” of historical emissions (Tukker and Dietzenbacher 2013). This literature adjusts the standard territorial-based emission accounts by removing the emissions associated with the production of exports and adding the emissions associated with the production of imports (Peters and Hertwich 2008). Most early studies focused on climate policy. It has been found that international trade accounts for one-quarter of global carbon emissions, but the contributions of exports to a country’s territorial emissions (median 29%, range 8–64%, year 2007) and imports to a country’s consumption-based emissions (median 49%, range 6–196%, year 2007) are significant (Andrew and Peters 2013). Developed nations collectively have higher consumption-based emissions than territory-based emissions, meaning that they are net importers of emissions and thereby benefit from environmentally intensive production abroad (Davis and Caldeira 2010; Peters et al. 2011; Arto and Dietzenbacher 2014). These effects are growing over time, and the net transfer of emissions (production minus consumption) via international trade from developing countries to developed countries increased from 0.4 Gt CO₂ in 1990 to 1.6 Gt CO₂ in 2008, which exceeds the emissions reductions obtained within the Kyoto Protocol (Peters et al. 2011). The same conclusions have been reached for many environmental issues, such as energy (Davis et al. 2011), air pollution (Lin et al. 2014), material use (Wiedmann et al. 2013), land use (Weinzettel et al. 2013), biomass

(Peters et al. 2012), water (Hoekstra and Mekonnen 2012), and biodiversity (Lenzen et al. 2012). For example, Lin et al. (PNAS, 2014) shows that 12-24% of sulfate concentrations over the western United States on a daily basis is due to the export-related Chinese pollution, and Lenzen et al. (Nature, 2012) discovered that about 30% of global species threats are due to international trade.

The research on consumption-based accounting of environmental impacts has considerable methodological and conceptual overlap with the work on trade in value added (Johnson and Noguera, 2012, Koopman et al. 2014, Timmer et al. 2014b), but so far there has been very little attempt to formally link these two independent lines of research. This is the objective of this paper.

Better understanding the relationship between emissions and GVCs requires a consistent and well-defined accounting system, which can provide proper measurements to trace value added and the amount of emissions in each stage of production and trade from different perspectives along the GVCs consistently and systemically.

In building such a unified accounting framework, existing efforts toward the measurement of embodied emissions in trade, based on multi-regional input-output (MRIO) models, provide a good starting point (e.g., Peters 2008; Peters and Hertwich 2008; Hertwich and Peters 2009; Kanemoto et al. 2012; Meng et al. 2013). These efforts have significantly enhanced our understanding of embodied emissions in trade, and provide complete account of embodied emissions in global supply chains at country aggregates. However, less attention has been paid to the difficulties to associate embodied emission with gross bilateral trade flows, especially at the sector/product level (Atkinson et al., 2011), thus limits its policy relevance such as border carbon tax design (Atkinson, 2013).

By integrating recent international trade literature on gross trade accounting and environment economics literature on embodied emission trade and carbon footprint, this paper makes the following new contributions:

First, we generalize existing measures of embodied emissions and consistently define trade-related embodied emission measures at country, industry, bilateral and product levels in

precise mathematical terms. We also define trade in emission measure that is fully consistent with gross bilateral trade flows, overcoming incompleteness of existing measures¹.

Second, by integrating with gross trade accounting methods in recent international economics literature, we are able to measure trade in value-added and trade in emissions at country, bilateral, and sector/product levels in one unified accounting framework. Such a framework is not only able to measure value-added and emissions generated from each production stage (slice the value chain), but can also identify the special trade routes by which value-added and emissions are created, transferred, and consumed. By combining value-added and emissions accounting in a consistent way, the potential environmental cost along GVCs can also be estimated (e.g. emissions with per unit of value-added created) from different perspectives (production, consumption and trade).

Third, we demonstrated that the distinction between the forward and backward industrial-linkage is the key to properly measure embodied emissions at disaggregate level. Building on decomposition techniques originally developed by Leontief (1936), we show that using the forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, the total emissions from a country/industry can be traced according to where and by which downstream GVC routes their associated gross output are used. Using the backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, we show that the total emissions from all upstream production stages of a final good or service in a global value chain can be fully identified. Both decomposition methods produce the same total emission estimates for a country at the aggregate level, but they differ at the sector level due to differences in measuring indirect emissions generated from production sharing arrangements.

Fourth, We follow the idea presented in the recent innovative work of Koopman et al. (2014), and Wang et al. (2013), in which they decompose all bilateral intermediate trade flows according to their final destination and express gross intermediate trade flows as destination

¹ The existence of both Bilateral Trade Input-Output (BTIO) and Multi-Regional Input-output (MRIO) based measures in the large body of embodied emissions literature is due to two reasons: 1) when MRIO table is not available, using national IO table and international trade statistics, embodied emissions in bilateral trade can still be estimated. However, biases may occur since trade in intermediate exports is treated as exogenous variable in a BTIO model. 2) Using MRIO can remove such biases but once intermediate trade is treated as endogenous variable, the difficulty will come from how to properly allocate embodied emissions in gross intermediate trade flows. This remains unsolved in the existing literature until this paper. In this sense, we unified the two analytical frameworks into one system and enabled it to provide all emission measures derived from both MRIO and BITO in the existing literature.

countries' final demands. Applying this technique to measure global emissions in gross exports, we present a bridge to consistently link production-based and consumption-based accounts of emissions at the regional, sectoral, and bilateral levels. We further decompose emissions generated from the production of a country's gross exports into eight different routes along GVCs as well as their relative economic benefit/environment cost ratio first time in the literature. We also separate emissions generated from production of a country's GDP into international trade related and unrelated portions, thus clearly distinguish emissions of self-responsibility (emissions from production satisfies domestic final demands without through international trade) and shared responsibility (emission from production satisfies domestic final demands through international trade) between producers and consumers located in different territories.

Finally, we report a number of applications based on the World Input–Output Database (WIOD²) to illustrate the potential of this new integrated accounting frameworks to deepen our understanding of the impact of global value chains on the environment. For example, by clearly distinguishing emissions generated from different GVC production routes, we find that environmental cost for generating one unit of GDP only through domestic routes is lower than that created through international trade for most G-20 countries in recent decades. The main driver is the high-carbon-intensity trade in intermediates, which has grown rapidly during the period we have data (1995-2009). More importantly, previous literatures emphasis emission transfers between developed and developing countries, while the ability to decompose both value-added and emission production and absorption by GVC routes enable us find such transfer also happens among developing countries, and is increasingly becoming the major source of emission transfer in the global production system, especially between China and other non-Annex B countries (developing economies). Their share in total global trade related emissions had increased dramatically from just 5% of in 1995 to nearly 20% in 2009. We also provide a number of interesting figures that clearly show a country's pattern and level of emissions is crucially subject to its position and the extent of its participation, directly or indirectly, in GVCs through international trade.

² For detailed information, see Timmer et al. (2014a).

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 presents the integrated accounting framework and defines various embodied emission measures. Section 3 presents a number of illustrative applications for tracing CO₂ emissions in GVCs. Section 4 concludes.

2. Concepts and Methodology

2.1 Embodied emissions through forward and backward industrial linkage

The methods used to estimate embodied emissions³ are rooted in the work of Leontief (1936). Leontief demonstrated that the complex linkages among different industries across countries can be expressed as various inter-industry, cross-country transactions organized into chessboard-type matrices, known as IO tables. Each column in the table represents the required inputs from other industries (including imports and direct value added) to produce the given amount of the product represented by that column. After normalization, the technical coefficient table represents the amount and type of intermediate inputs needed in the production of one unit of gross output. Using these coefficients, the gross output in all stages of production that is needed to produce one unit of final products can be estimated via the Leontief inverse. When the output associated with a particular level of final demand are known, the total emissions throughout the (global) economy can be estimated by multiplying these output flows with the emission-intensity coefficient (amount of emissions per unit of gross output) in each country/industry.

To illustrate how the classic Leontief method works, let us assume a two-country (home and foreign) world, in which each country produces tradable products in N differentiated industries. Products in each sector can be consumed directly or used as intermediate inputs, and each country exports both intermediate and final products. All gross output produced by country s must be used as either an intermediate or a final product at home or abroad, that is

$$X^s = \underbrace{A^{ss} X^s + Y^{ss}}_{\text{Domestic}} + \underbrace{A^{sr} X^r + Y^{sr}}_{\text{Exports}}, \quad s = 1, 2 \quad (1)$$

where X^s is the $N \times 1$ gross output vector of country s , Y^{sf} is the $N \times 1$ final demand vector that gives demand in country r for final goods produced in s , and A^{sr} is the $N \times N$ IO input coefficient

³A clarification is needed on what is meant by “embodied”. The emissions embodied in gross output/final goods or exports/imports can be defined as the emissions that occur in the production of a product. The emissions are not actually a physical part of the product, but rather, are emitted in the production of the product.

matrix, giving intermediate use in r of goods produced in s . The superscripts in A^{sr} and Y^{sr} mean that s is the producing country and r is the destination country. In (1), $A^{ss}X^s + Y^{ss}$ is domestic use of products, while $A^{sr}X^r + Y^{sr}$ is exports to foreign countries, these in turn can be split into intermediate use $A^{ss}X^s + A^{sr}X^r$ and final consumption $Y^{ss} + Y^{sr}$. The two-country production and trade system can be written as a multi-regional IO (MRIO) model in block matrix notations

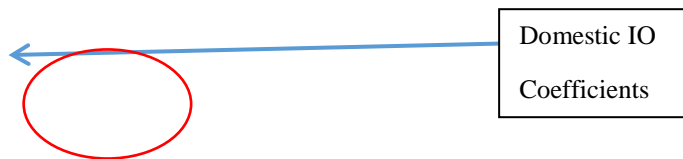
$$\begin{bmatrix} X^s \\ X^r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{ss} & A^{sr} \\ A^{rs} & A^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X^s \\ X^r \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} Y^{ss} + Y^{sr} \\ Y^{rs} + Y^{rr} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2)$$

which shows a clear distinction between intermediate use (AX) and final consumption (Y). The intermediate use can be either at domestic market (diagonals) or exported to/imported from (off-diagonals) foreign countries, and likewise for the final consumption. In this model, the final consumption is exogenous, while intermediate use is endogenous. After rearranging terms, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} X^s \\ X^r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I - A^{ss} & -A^{sr} \\ -A^{rs} & I - A^{rr} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} Y^{ss} + Y^{sr} \\ Y^{rs} + Y^{rr} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{ss} & B^{sr} \\ B^{rs} & B^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y^s \\ Y^r \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

where B^{sr} denotes an $N \times N$ block matrix, commonly known as the Leontief inverse, which is the total requirement matrix that gives the amount of gross output in producing country s required for a one-unit increase in final demand in country r . The diagonal terms B^{ss} differ from the “local” Leontief inverse $L^{ss} = (I - A^{ss})^{-1}$ due to the inclusion of off-diagonal terms via the inverse operation. Y^s is an $N \times 1$ vector that gives global use of final products from country s , including domestic final products sales Y^{ss} and final products exports Y^{sr} .

For our later sector level analysis, it is worthwhile to break Equations (2) and (3) into sectoral details. For $N=2$, this can be re-written by element as follows:



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^s \\ x_2^s \\ x_1^r \\ x_2^r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{ss} & a_{12}^{ss} & a_{11}^{sr} & a_{12}^{sr} \\ a_{21}^{ss} & a_{22}^{ss} & a_{21}^{sr} & a_{22}^{sr} \\ a_{11}^{rs} & a_{12}^{rs} & a_{11}^{rr} & a_{12}^{rr} \\ a_{21}^{rs} & a_{22}^{rs} & a_{21}^{rr} & a_{22}^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1^s \\ x_2^s \\ x_1^r \\ x_2^r \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr} \\ y_2^{ss} + y_2^{sr} \\ y_1^{rs} + y_1^{rr} \\ y_2^{rs} + y_2^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2a)^4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^s \\ x_2^s \\ x_1^r \\ x_2^r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - a_{11}^{ss} & -a_{12}^{ss} & -a_{11}^{sr} & -a_{12}^{sr} \\ -a_{21}^{ss} & 1 - a_{22}^{ss} & -a_{21}^{sr} & -a_{22}^{sr} \\ -a_{11}^{rs} & -a_{12}^{rs} & 1 - a_{11}^{rr} & -a_{12}^{rr} \\ -a_{21}^{rs} & -a_{22}^{rs} & -a_{21}^{rr} & 1 - a_{22}^{rr} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr} \\ y_2^{ss} + y_2^{sr} \\ y_1^{rs} + y_1^{rr} \\ y_2^{rs} + y_2^{rr} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3a)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{ss} & b_{12}^{ss} & b_{11}^{sr} & b_{12}^{sr} \\ b_{21}^{ss} & b_{22}^{ss} & b_{21}^{sr} & b_{22}^{sr} \\ b_{11}^{rs} & b_{12}^{rs} & b_{11}^{rr} & b_{12}^{rr} \\ b_{21}^{rs} & b_{22}^{rs} & b_{21}^{rr} & b_{22}^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1^s \\ y_2^s \\ y_1^r \\ y_2^r \end{bmatrix}$$

Import IO
Coefficients

where each element above is now a scalar: x_j^s is the gross output of sector j in country s ; y_i^{sr} represents final goods produced by sector i in country s for consumption in country r ($i, j = 1, 2$); a_{ij}^{sr} is the direct IO coefficient that measures the intermediate inputs produced in sector i of country s that are used in the production of one unit of gross output in sector j of country r , and b_{ij}^{sr} is the total requirement coefficient that gives the total amount of the gross output of sector i in country s needed to produce an extra unit of the sector j 's final product in country r . Other coefficients have similar economic interpretations.

Define the direct emission intensity as $f_j^c \equiv p_j^c / x_j^c$ for $c = s, r, j = 1, 2$, then the estimation and decomposition of the country- and sector-level production of emissions can be expressed as

$$\hat{F} B \hat{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_2^s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f_1^r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & f_2^r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{ss} & b_{12}^{ss} & b_{11}^{sr} & b_{12}^{sr} \\ b_{21}^{ss} & b_{22}^{ss} & b_{21}^{sr} & b_{22}^{sr} \\ b_{11}^{rs} & b_{12}^{rs} & b_{11}^{rr} & b_{12}^{rr} \\ b_{21}^{rs} & b_{22}^{rs} & b_{21}^{rr} & b_{22}^{rr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1^s & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & y_2^s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y_1^r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & y_2^r \end{bmatrix}$$

⁴ The elements in the diagonal block of the A matrix are domestic input-output coefficients, while elements in the off-diagonal block are import input-output coefficients. The Y matrix is similar.

$$= \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s b_{11}^{ss} y_1^s & f_1^s b_{12}^{ss} y_2^s & f_1^s b_{11}^{sr} y_1^r & f_1^s b_{12}^{sr} y_2^r \\ f_2^s b_{21}^{ss} y_1^s & f_2^s b_{22}^{ss} y_2^s & f_2^s b_{21}^{sr} y_1^r & f_2^s b_{22}^{sr} y_2^r \\ f_1^r b_{11}^{rs} y_1^s & f_1^r b_{12}^{rs} y_2^s & f_1^r b_{11}^{rr} y_1^r & f_1^r b_{12}^{rr} y_2^r \\ f_2^r b_{21}^{rs} y_1^s & f_2^r b_{22}^{rs} y_2^s & f_2^r b_{21}^{rr} y_1^r & f_2^r b_{22}^{rr} y_2^r \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

This matrix gives estimates of the sector and country sources of emissions in each country's final goods production. Each element in the matrix represents emissions from a source industry of a source country directly or indirectly generated in the production of final products (consumed in both the domestic and foreign markets) in the source country. Looking at the matrix along the rows yields the distribution of emissions created from one country/sector across all countries/sectors. For example, the first element of the first row, $f_1^s b_{11}^{ss} (y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr})$, is the emissions created by sector 1 in country s to produce its final goods for both domestic sales and exports. The second element, $f_1^s b_{12}^{ss} (y_2^{ss} + y_2^{sr})$, is the emissions generated by sector 1 in country s to produce intermediate input used by sector 2 in country s to produce its final products. The third and fourth elements, $f_1^s b_{11}^{sr} (y_1^{rs} + y_1^{rr})$ and $f_1^s b_{12}^{sr} (y_2^{rs} + y_2^{rr})$, are, respectively, emissions from sector 1 in country s generated in the production of intermediate inputs used by the 1st and 2nd sectors in country r to produce country r 's final products. Therefore, summing up the first row of the matrix, we obtain the total emissions generated from sector 1 in country s . This can be expressed mathematically as

$$p_1^s = f_1^s x_1^s = f_1^s (b_{11}^{ss} y_1^s + b_{12}^{ss} y_2^s + b_{11}^{sr} y_1^r + b_{12}^{sr} y_2^r) \\ = [f_1^s b_{11}^{ss} y_1^{ss} + f_1^s b_{12}^{ss} y_2^{ss} + f_1^s b_{11}^{sr} y_1^{rs} + f_1^s b_{12}^{sr} y_2^{rs}] + [f_1^s b_{11}^{ss} y_1^{sr} + f_1^s b_{12}^{ss} y_2^{sr} + f_1^s b_{11}^{sr} y_1^{rr} + f_1^s b_{12}^{sr} y_2^{rr}] \quad (6)$$

which distributes the total emissions produced in a country/industry according to where its total gross output are finally absorbed. The value of p_j^s is consistent with the production-based National Emission Inventory (NEI) according to the economic activities of residential institutions as defined by the System of National Accounts (SNA), similar to GDP by-industry statistics (de Haan and Keuning 1996, 2001; Pedersen and de Haan 2006)⁵.

⁵For the difference between the production-based NEI estimates from the MRIO table and the UNFCCC NEI, see

Looking at the $\hat{F} B \hat{Y}$ matrix down a column yields emissions estimates from all countries/sectors across the world for the production of final products in a particular country/sector. For example, the second element in the first column, $f_2^s b_{21}^{sr} (y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr})$, is the amount of emissions generated in sector 2 of country s to produce intermediate inputs used by sector 1 in country s to produce final products, and the third and fourth elements, $f_1^r b_{11}^{rs} (y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr})$ and $f_2^r b_{21}^{rs} (y_1^{ss} + y_1^{sr})$, respectively, are emissions generated in sectors 1 and 2 of (foreign) country r to produce intermediate inputs used by sector 1 in country s in the production of final products.

Adding up all elements in the first column gives the global emissions generated by the production of final products in sector 1 of country s , denoted as $p(y_1^s)$, i.e

$$p(y_1^s) = (f_1^s b_{11}^{ss} + f_2^s b_{21}^{ss} + f_1^r b_{11}^{rs} + f_2^r b_{21}^{rs}) y_1^s, \quad (7)$$

It traces total emissions generated by the production of a final product in a particular country/industry according to where the needed intermediate inputs are produced along each stage (represented by different industries located in different countries) of the global production chain. This is the global “carbon footprint” of the consumption of sector 1’s products from country s . The last two terms represent imported emissions.

In summary, the sum of the $\hat{F} B \hat{Y}$ matrix along a row represents the production-based emissions and shows how each country’s emissions in a particular sector are distributed to final consumption (across columns) of all downstream countries/sectors (including itself), thus decomposes each country’s total emissions by industry according to where the final consumption is made. It traces forward industrial linkages (downstream) from an emitter’s perspective. The sum of the $\hat{F} B \hat{Y}$ matrix along a column accounts for all upstream countries/sectors’ emissions to the production of a specific country/sector’s final products (carbon footprint); it traces backward industrial linkages across upstream countries/industries (as different stages of production) from a user perspective, thus decomposes the total global emissions from the

production of a country/sector's final goods and services according to where each of the needed intermediate inputs is produced.

As an example, in the chemical sector, the producer's perspective includes the emissions created by the production of chemicals that are embodied in the final goods exports of chemical products themselves (direct domestic emissions exports), as well as in the final exports of metal products, computers, consumer appliances, and machineries that use chemicals as inputs (indirect domestic emissions exports). Such a forward linkage perspective is consistent with the literature on the emissions content of trade. On the other hand, decomposition from a user perspective includes all upstream sectors/countries' contributions to emissions in a specific sector/country's final goods exports. For instance, in the automobile industry, it includes emissions generated in the automobile production itself as well as emissions embodied in inputs from all other upstream sectors/countries (such as rubber from country A, glass from country B, steel from country C, design and testing from the home country) used to produce an automobile for exports by the home country. Such a backward industrial-linkage-based perspective aligns well with case studies of emissions by a specific final product in the literature.

Each of these two different ways to decompose global total emissions has its own interpretations and thus different roles in environmental policy analysis. The decomposition of emissions by producing industry can address questions such as "who generates the emissions for whose consumption?" thus providing a starting point for the discussion of shared responsibility between producer and consumer at the industry level; while the decomposition of total emissions generated to produce a final product is able to answer questions such as "what is the global emissions level and what is the emission source (country/industry) structure required to produce a car in Germany compared to that for China?" and can attribute the total emissions for a final product to each stage of production in the global supply chain, thus providing facts that improve our understanding of the common but differentiated responsibilities among different production stages along each global supply chain.

With a clear understanding of how total national emissions by industry and total global emissions by the production of final goods and services at the country-sector level can be correctly estimated and decomposed by the standard Leontief method (equation (5) or the $\hat{F} B \hat{Y}$

matrix), we formally specify the decomposition methods used in this paper and their relations to other IO model based methods widely used in the literature.

2.2 Downstream decomposition: Decompose emissions generated from a country/industry based on forward industrial linkage

Extending equation (2) to a G country setting, the gross output production and use balance, or the row balance condition of a MRIO table becomes

$$X^s = A^{ss} X^s + \sum_{s \neq r}^G A^{sr} X^r + Y^{ss} + \sum_{s \neq r}^G Y^{sr} = A^{ss} X^s + Y^{ss} + \sum_{s \neq r}^G E^{sr} = A^{ss} X^s + Y^{ss} + E^{s*} \quad (8)$$

where $E^{s*} = \sum_{s \neq r}^G E^{sr}$ is the total gross export of country s . Rearranging (8) gives

$$X^s = (I - A^{ss})^{-1} Y^{ss} + (I - A^{ss})^{-1} E^{s*} \quad (9)$$

With a further decomposition of the gross exports into exports of intermediate/final products and their final destination of absorption, it can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned} (I - A^{ss})^{-1} E^{s*} &= (I - A^{ss})^{-1} \left(\sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} X^r \right) \\ &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rs} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} A^{rs} (I - A^{ss})^{-1} Y^{ss} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{ss} Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt} \end{aligned} \quad (10)^6$$

Inserting (10) into (9) and pre-multiplying the direct emission intensity diagonal matrix \hat{F} , we obtain an equation that decomposes total emissions by industry into different components.

$$P^s = \hat{F}^s X^s = \hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{ss} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \hat{F}^s \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \hat{F}^s \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt} \quad (11)^7$$

(1)
(2)
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Here, $L^{ss} = (I - A^{ss})^{-1}$ is the local Leontief inverse.

⁶A detailed mathematical proof of equation (10) is provided in Appendix A.1.

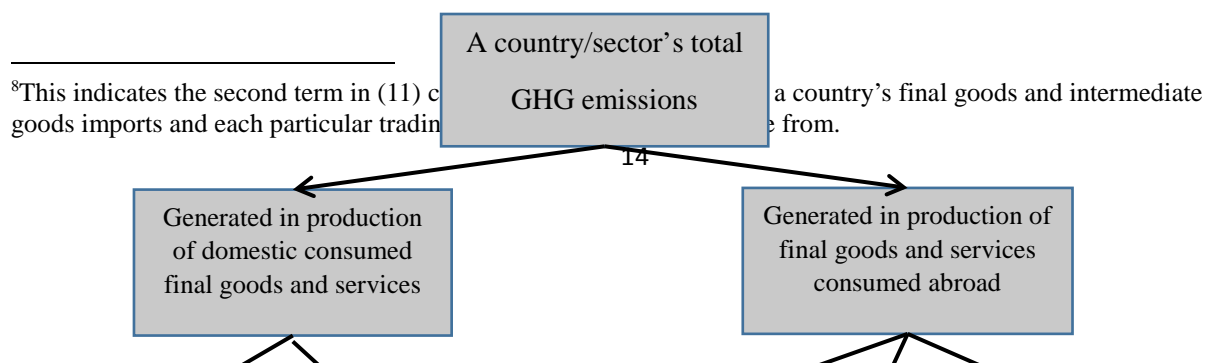
⁷ The second term (2) on the right side in equation (11) equals to the sum of the first two terms on the right side in equation (10) (for detailed proof, see the appendix in Wang et al. 2013)

There are five terms in equation (11), each of which represents emissions generated by the industry in its production to satisfy different segments of the global market. All the emissions that occur in region s are a result of various elements of production.

- The first term: domestically produced and consumed final goods and services ($L^{ss}Y^{ss}$).
- The second term: domestically produced intermediate goods exports ($L^{ss}A^{sr}\sum_t^G B^{rt}Y^{ts}$) which are used by other countries to produce either intermediate or final goods and services shipped back to the source country as imports and consumed there.⁸
- The third term: domestically produced final goods and service exports that are consumed by all of its trading partners ($B^{ss}Y^{sr}$).
- The fourth term: domestically produced intermediate goods and services exported to country r for the production of final products consumed in country r ($B^{sr}Y^{rr}$).
- The fifth term: domestically produced intermediate goods exports to other countries producing their final goods and service exports to third countries $B^{sr}Y^{rr}$.

Note the summation in the last three terms indicates that these emissions generated by export production can be further split into each trading partner's market. The sum of the last three terms gives the amount of emissions exports, and the sum of the last four terms in each bilateral route is the "Emissions Embodied in Bilateral Trade" (EEBT). Both measures are frequently used in the literature on embodied emissions in trade, which we will discuss in detail later in this paper. The disaggregated accounting for total emissions by industry based on forward industrial linkage (downstream decomposition) made by equation (11) is also diagrammed in Figure 1. The number in the lowest level box corresponds to the terms in equation (11).

Figure 1 GHG emissions production, by sources of final demand – Forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition



2.3 Upstream decomposition: Decompose emissions from final goods and services by production stages in a global supply chain based on backward industrial linkage

In the following we estimate the total emissions generated by a final product along the global supply chain identified by the last stage of production: a particular industry i located in a specific country s , which is denoted by y_i^s to be consistent in notation with the previous section. To produce y_i^s , activities x_j^s in industry $j = 1, \dots, N$ at each country $s = 1, \dots, G$ are needed⁹. We first need to know the levels of all gross outputs x_j^s associated with the production of y_i^s . This is estimated using the Leontief inverse as in equations (3) and (5).

⁹ Production stages in the global supply chain are identified by each x_j^s , the maximum number of production stages of a specific supply chain in this accounting framework is G by N , assuming industries with the same classification but located in different countries produce differentiated products and so are located in different production stages of the global supply chain. Such an assumption is similar to the Armington assumption that has been widely used in CGE models for decades.

To be more specific to our current analysis, let us extend equations (3) and (5) to cover any number of countries (G) and sectors (N). Then we obtain the following equations.

$$\begin{bmatrix} X^1 \\ X^2 \\ \vdots \\ X^G \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{11} & B^{12} & \dots & B^{1G} \\ B^{21} & B^{22} & \dots & B^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B^{G1} & B^{G2} & \dots & B^{GG} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y^1 \\ Y^2 \\ \vdots \\ Y^G \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{F}_c B \hat{Y} &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_c^1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{F}_c^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \hat{F}_c^G \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B^{11} & B^{12} & \dots & B^{1G} \\ B^{21} & B^{22} & \dots & B^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B^{G1} & B^{G2} & \dots & B^{GG} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{Y}^1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{Y}^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \hat{Y}^G \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_c^1 B^{11} \hat{Y}^1 & \hat{F}_c^1 B^{12} \hat{Y}^2 & \dots & \hat{F}_c^1 B^{1G} \hat{Y}^G \\ \hat{F}_c^2 B^{21} \hat{Y}^1 & \hat{F}_c^2 B^{22} \hat{Y}^2 & \dots & \hat{F}_c^2 B^{2G} \hat{Y}^G \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hat{F}_c^G B^{G1} \hat{Y}^1 & \hat{F}_c^G B^{G2} \hat{Y}^2 & \dots & \hat{F}_c^G B^{GG} \hat{Y}^G \end{bmatrix} \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

With G countries and N sectors, A , B , \hat{F} and \hat{Y} are all $GN \times GN$ matrices. B^{sr} denotes the $N \times N$ block Leontief (global) inverse matrix, F_c^s is a 1 by N vector of direct emission intensities in country s , placed along the diagonal of the GN by GN matrix of \hat{F} . The subscript c represents type of energies and non-energies. Five types are considered: (1) coal, (2) petroleum, (3) gas, (4) waste, and (5) others (non-energy). $Y^s = \sum_r^G Y^{sr}$ is an $N \times 1$ vector that gives the global use of final goods produced by s . Each column of the $B \hat{Y}$ matrix of Equation (13) is a GN by 1 vector, the number of non-zero elements in such a column vector represents the number of production stages in our accounting framework for the global supply chain of a particular final good or service y_j^s .

Based on equation (13), we can decompose the total emissions of a final good or service by production stages and types of energy in a global supply chain based on backward industrial linkage as follows.

$$P_c(Y^s) = \hat{F}_c^s B^{ss} Y^s + \sum_{r \neq s}^G \hat{F}_c^r B^{rs} Y^s \text{ for } c = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \quad (14)$$

$$P(Y^s) = \sum_{c=1}^5 P_c(Y^s) \quad (15)$$

The first term in equation (14) consists of the diagonal elements in the last matrix of equation (13), representing emissions generated in domestic production process; while the second term in equation (14) is the sum of off-diagonal elements across the row and in a column in the last matrix of equation (13), measuring emissions generated in foreign production processes. The summation in the second term indicates that these emissions generated by foreign production can be further split according to their source countries. Note that $\sum_{c=1}^5 \hat{F}_c^s = F^s$, that is, emission intensities by energy types in each country/industry sum to the total emission intensity of that country/industry. Therefore, equation (15) measures the total global emissions for the production of final products in country s . The decomposition of total emissions by the production of a final products in a global supply chain based on backward industrial linkage made by equations (14) is shown in Figure 2.

Based on equation (14), the consumption-based national emissions inventories for a particular product y_i^r can be estimated for each country as a sum weighted by consumption source structure:

$$P_c^{consumer}(y_i^{*r}) = \sum_s^G \frac{y_i^{sr}}{y_i^{*r}} P_c(y_i^{s*}) \text{ for } c = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ; i = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (16)$$

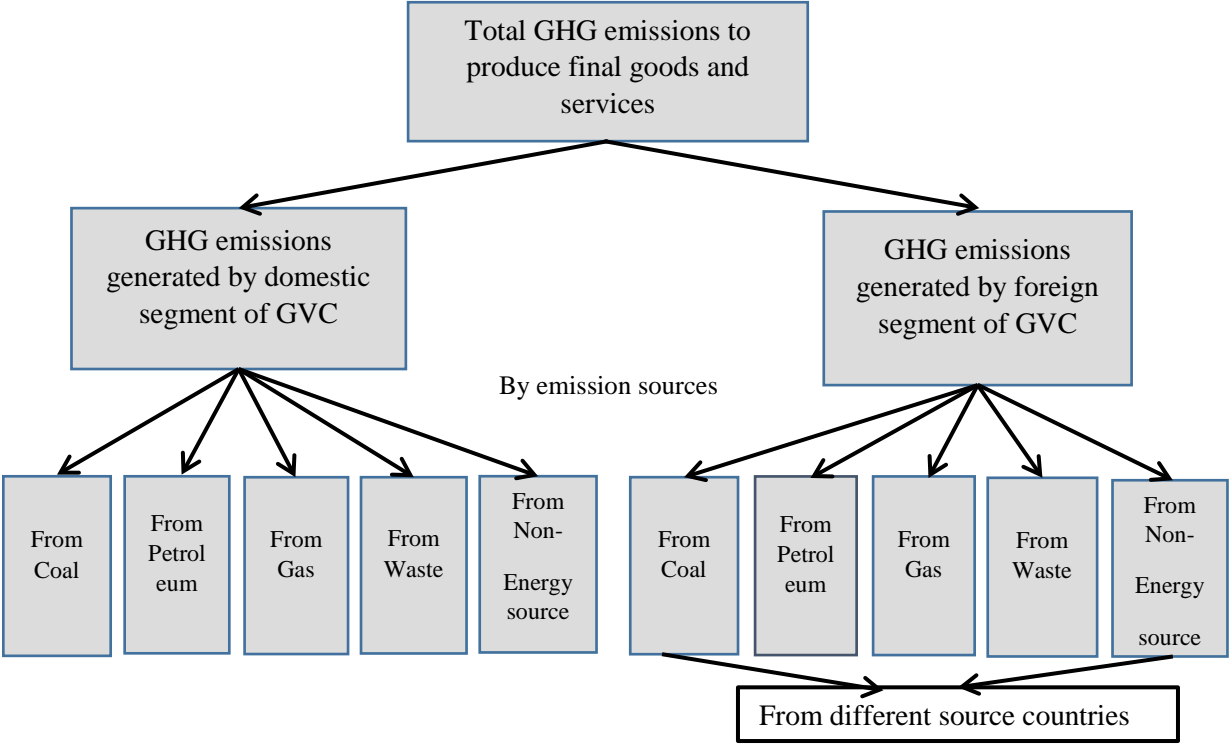
Here, $y_i^{s*} = \sum_r^G y_i^{sr}$ is the total final production in country s of product i for all countries, and

$y_i^{*r} = \sum_s^G y_i^{sr}$ is the total final consumption in country r of product i sourced from all countries.

Using the estimates from equation (14) and weighting by each country's source structure of the particular products it consumes, equation (16) allows one to estimate consumption-based emissions at country/product level and its results are different from emissions estimates obtained

by using production emissions minus exported emissions plus imported emissions. Taking automobile as an example, the production plus net transfer method widely used in the literature only can provide estimates on how much of the emissions produced in the global auto industry is consumed in a country, which does not equal global emissions induced by the total automobile consumption in that country. However, summing over all products or industries, the total consumption-based emissions for a country will be the same regardless backward or forward linkage based computation is used.

Figure 2 GHG emissions in global supply chains – backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition



2.4 Measures of embodied emissions in trade by various GVC routes and their role in linking production-based and consumption-based emissions accounts

In recent years, the international trade of embodied emissions has been a subject of substantial interest in both academic and policy circles. However, most MRIO-based measures of trade in embodied emissions in the literature have not made a clear distinction between emissions calculated by forward versus backward industrial linkages and often focus on the global and country aggregate level. As we will show in this section, such a distinction is not important at an aggregated level, but is crucial at a disaggregated level.

2.4.1 Forward industrial linkage based emission trade measures

At a bilateral sector or country sector level, emissions exports based on forward industrial linkages (we labeled as EEX_F) for sector i and region s , are the emissions generated in sector i to produce, directly and indirectly, gross exports from s to any other destination country except country s itself (e.g., emission exports from the US chemical sector would include emissions embodied in US steel and machinery sectors in addition to emission embodied in the US chemical sector). There are two key issues to highlight here. First, using the example of emissions exports from the US chemical industry, is that some of the emissions produced by that sector can be exported indirectly via other US sectors such as steel, because US produced chemicals are used as intermediate inputs in the production of steel exports. Second, the portion of the emissions that is associated with products first exported but eventually re-imported to satisfy domestic final demand is not part of the embodied emissions exports.

Emissions embodied in a country's gross exports, which we labeled as EEG, refer to emissions generated from the production of the country's gross exports. Because this measure focuses only on where the emissions come from but not where they are absorbed, it does not exclude the part of the emissions that is generated by producing intermediate inputs for other countries but eventually returns home via imports (i.e., is re-imported) to satisfy domestic final demand. It is conceptually similar to emissions embodied in bilateral trade (EEBT) defined by Peters (2008) and Peters et al. (2011). The EEG based on forward industry linkage, EEG_F,

refers to the part of emissions generated from the production of the country's gross exports from all sectors that originated from a particular domestic sector, including the portion that eventually returns (which will be labeled REE_F) via imports. Because we already have a complete decomposition of emissions by industry in equation (11), it is convenient to mathematically specify EEX_F, emissions generated in production to satisfy foreign final demand, and REE_F, emissions generated in the production of intermediate exports for other countries which are then used to produce their exports and shipped back to country s as follows.

$$EEX_F^{sr} = \hat{F}^s B^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \hat{F}^s \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{st} Y^{tr} \quad (17)$$

$$REE_F^{sr} = \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} = \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} \quad (18)$$

Equation (17) is the sum of the third and fourth terms in equation (11) plus an additional term taken from the last term of equation (11) which only sums over third country t re-exports to a particular trading partner r (without the second summation over all r). Equation (18) is a further decomposition of the second term in equation (11). It measures domestic emissions embodied in intermediate exports from country s to country r that return to s and are ultimately absorbed in s via all possible routes through forward industrial linkage. Both portions are emissions related to international trade but for different market segments.

We specify domestic emissions embodied in gross exports from country s to country r based on forward industrial linkages as

$$\begin{aligned} EEG_F^{sr} = \hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} = & \underbrace{\hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{sr}}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{tr}}_{(2a)} \\ & + \underbrace{\hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts}}_{(2b)} + \underbrace{\hat{F}^s L^{ss} \left[A^{sr} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt} + A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rs} Y^{st} \right]}_{(2c)} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

It measures what amount of domestic emissions can be generated from the production of gross exports E^{sr} in country s , regardless whether these gross exports are finally absorbed in importing country r or not. It can be decomposed into two parts:

1. Domestic emissions generated from the production of final goods exports,
2. Domestic emissions generated from the production of intermediate goods exports that are:
 - 2a. finally absorbed in the direct importing country r ,
 - 2b. returned (re-imported) to the exporting country s , or
 - 2c. re-exported to a third country t .

It is identical to the “Emissions Embodied in Bilateral Trade” (EEBT) defined by others (Peters 2008; Peters and Hertwich 2008) in the literature on embodied emissions in trade. It is easy to see that REE_F^{sr} defined by equation (18) is exactly the third term in equation (19). We can show that, at the bilateral-sector level, $\hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} \neq (EEX_F^{sr} + REE_F^{sr})$ due to indirect emissions exports through third countries. However, after aggregating over all trading partners, at the country-sector level,

$$\sum_{r \neq s}^G EEG_F^{sr} = \sum_{r \neq s}^G (REE_F^{sr} + EEX_F^{sr}) = \sum_{r \neq s}^G \hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} \quad (20)$$

The step by step derivation of equations (18) to (20) can be found in appendix A.2. The intuition behind the derivation is simple: both EEX_F^{sr} and REE_F^{sr} require that the emissions associated with a product is consumed in destination country r by definition, while EEG_F^{sr} or EEBT do not have such restrictions and are concerned only where these emissions are generated, regardless of where their associated products are finally absorbed.

Similar to Peters et al. (2011), we define the balance of embodied emissions in trade, or “net emissions transfer” as

$$T^s = \sum_{r \neq s}^G EEX_F^{sr} - \sum_{s \neq r}^G EEX_F^{rs} \quad (21)$$

It is easy to show that T^s equals the difference between production-based and consumption-based emission inventory. That is,

$$T^r = P^{producer}(y_i^r) - P^{consumer}(y_i^r). \quad (22)$$

2.4.2 Backward industrial linkage based emission trade measures

Embodied emissions exports calculated by backward industrial linkages at a bilateral sector or country-sector level, which we labeled as EEX_B, refer to the amount of emissions generated by the production of a particular sector's gross exports (e.g., US auto), which will include emissions produced by any domestic sectors (e.g., including US rubber, chemicals, steel, and glass) via backward industrial linkages, and is ultimately absorbed abroad or in a particular destination country. There are also two key features to take into account. First, the measure quantifies emissions to the sector whose products are exported. Second, the concept excludes the part of domestic emissions that is eventually re-imported. In general, at the country sector and bilateral sector level, EEX_F and EEX_B are not the same except by coincidence. However, once we aggregate across all sectors, the distinction between EEX_F and EEX_B disappears.

To trace emissions generated by gross trade flows at bilateral and sector levels, it is useful to think of the total domestic emissions associated with gross trade flows that is absorbed abroad, denoted by EEX, as a distinct concept from EEX_B or EEX_F in order to measure emissions embodied in a particular bilateral gross trade flows. It is also based on backward industrial linkages and is also ultimately absorbed abroad, similar to EEX_B, but does not require domestically produced emissions to be absorbed in a particular destination country. In other words, at the country sector level, this third trade-in-emissions measure is the same as EEX_B, but at the bilateral or bilateral sector level, they are different. As we will show later in this paper, EEX is the only emissions trade measure that is consistently associated with bilateral gross trade flows, while both EEX_F and EEX_B are not, due to indirect emissions trading through third countries. All these three measures exclude the part of domestic emission that first exported but eventually returns home. However, all of them are useful to trace emission trade in gross exports for different purpose beyond the country aggregate level. For instance, if one wishes to understand the global emissions level generated by a country's gross exports and its source structure, the backward-linkage-based emissions measures are the right one to use. If one wishes to understand the responsibility for emissions from a given sector in the country's gross exports from all sectors, one should use the forward-linkage-based measures.

As we have already shown, to decompose a country/industry's total GHG emissions by source of final demand and measure domestically produced emissions embodied in a country's gross exports from all sectors based on forward industrial linkage, applying Leontief's original

method is sufficient. However, for measuring global emissions generated by a country's gross exports and tracing its source structure based on backward industrial linkage, Leontief's original method will not be sufficient, as it does not provide a way to decompose gross intermediate trade flows across countries according to their final absorption, as illustrated by Wang et al. (2013) in their recent work.

Following Wang et al.'s innovative intermediate trade flow decomposition method, we define our bilateral emissions trade measures based on backward industrial linkage as

$$EEX^{sr} = (F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# \left\{ (A^{sr} B^{rr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt}) + (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt}) + (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, ru \neq s, t}^G \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G B^{ru} Y^{tu}) \right\} \quad (23)$$

$$EEX_{-B}^{sr} = (F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# \left\{ (\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr}) + (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tr}) + (\sum_{t \neq s, ru \neq s, t}^G \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G A^{st} B^{tu} Y^{ur}) \right\} \quad (24)$$

where “#” is an element-wise matrix multiplication operator¹⁰. To facilitate the understanding of the three terms in the emissions trade measure defined in equation (23), we provide the following intuitive interpretations.

The 1st term, $(F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr}$, represents domestic emissions generated by the production of final exports from country s to country r . The 2nd term, $(F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr})$, represents domestic emissions generated by the production of intermediate exports from country s used by direct importer (country r) to produce final goods and services which are consumed in country r . The 3rd term, $(F^s L^{ss})^T \# \{ \dots \}$ represents domestic emissions generated by the production of intermediate exports from country s used by the direct importer (country r) to produce intermediate or final goods and services that are re-exported to a third country t . The three elements in the parenthesis, $A^{sr} B^{rr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt}$, $A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt}$, and $A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, ru \neq s, t}^G \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G B^{ru} Y^{tu}$ show how the re-exports are produced in country r by using intermediate exports from country s as inputs.

¹⁰For example, when a matrix is multiplied by $n \times 1$ column vector, each row of the matrix is multiplied by the corresponding row element of the vector.

They represent final goods re-exports, intermediate goods re-exports for third countries' domestically consumed final goods, and intermediate goods re-exports for third countries' final goods exports, respectively.

It is interesting to note that the difference between EEX^{sr} (23) and EEX_B^{sr} (24) appears in only the third country term (the third term). The former includes emissions absorbed not only by country r , but also by third countries t and u (last three terms in equation 24). The latter includes not only emissions exports from country s embodied in its own gross exports to country r (the 1st and 2nd terms in equation 24, which are the same as the first two terms in equation 23), but also emissions exports by country s embodied in its gross exports to third country t , that are finally absorbed by country r (the last terms in equation 24). This illustrates why we claim that EEX^{sr} is the only measure of emission trade which is consistently associated with bilateral gross trade flows. Both emissions export measures are deviate from gross bilateral trade flows due to indirect trade through third countries.

Similar to the definition of EEG_F, we could also define EEG_B, the measure of domestic emissions generated from the production of bilateral gross exports at sector level based on backward industrial linkage, which refers to emissions from all domestic sectors induced by the production of a particular sector's gross exports to a particular trading partner or the rest of the world, including the portion of emissions associated with exported products that are eventually re-imported, REE_B.

$$\begin{aligned}
 EEG_B^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# E^{sr} = (F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{tr} \\
 &+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# \left[A^{sr} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{tr} + A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rs} Y^{st} \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

EEG_B^{sr} measures what amount of domestic emissions can be generated from all sectors in country s in the production of gross exports E^{sr} , regardless of whether these exports are finally absorbed in importing country r or not. The four terms in equation (25) have similar interpretations to those of the four terms in equation (20); the differences are that these terms include not only domestic emissions generated by the exporting sectors, but also those of other upstream domestic sectors that contribute to the production of a particular sector's gross exports.

We define emissions embodied in intermediate exports that are first exported but ultimately returned and absorbed at home based on backward industrial linkages from country s to country r as:

$$\begin{aligned} REE_B^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} \\ &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{ts}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss}) \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

It can be seen that REE_B^{sr} is exactly the third term in equation (25). We can show that EEG_B^{sr} equals the sum of equations (23) and (26) at the country aggregate level only.

$$\sum_{r \neq s}^G u EEG_B^{sr} = \sum_{r \neq s}^G u (EEX^{sr} + REE_B^{sr}) = \sum_{r \neq s}^G F^s L^{ss} E^{sr} \quad (27)$$

where, u is a 1 by N unit vector. Detailed proofs of equations (25) to (27) are given in appendix A.3.

To completely measure total emissions from the production of a country's gross exports, emissions generated in other countries that provide intermediate inputs for the exporting country also have to be estimated. The foreign-produced emissions embodied in a country's gross exports (FEE) can be defined as

$$\begin{aligned} FEE^{sr} &= (F^r B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^r B^{rs})^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr}) \\ &+ \left(\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts} \right)^T \# Y^{sr} + \left(\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts} \right)^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr}) \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Each term in equation (28) has an intuitive interpretation. The first term, $(F^r B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr}$, is the importer's (country r) emissions embodied in the final exports of country s to country r . The second term, $(F^r B^{rs})^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr})$, is the importer's emissions embodied in the intermediate exports of country s to country r , which are then used by country r to produce its domestic final goods and services. The third term, $\left(\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts} \right)^T \# Y^{sr}$, is foreign emissions from third countries t embodied in the final exports of country s to country r . The last term, $\left(\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts} \right)^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr})$, is

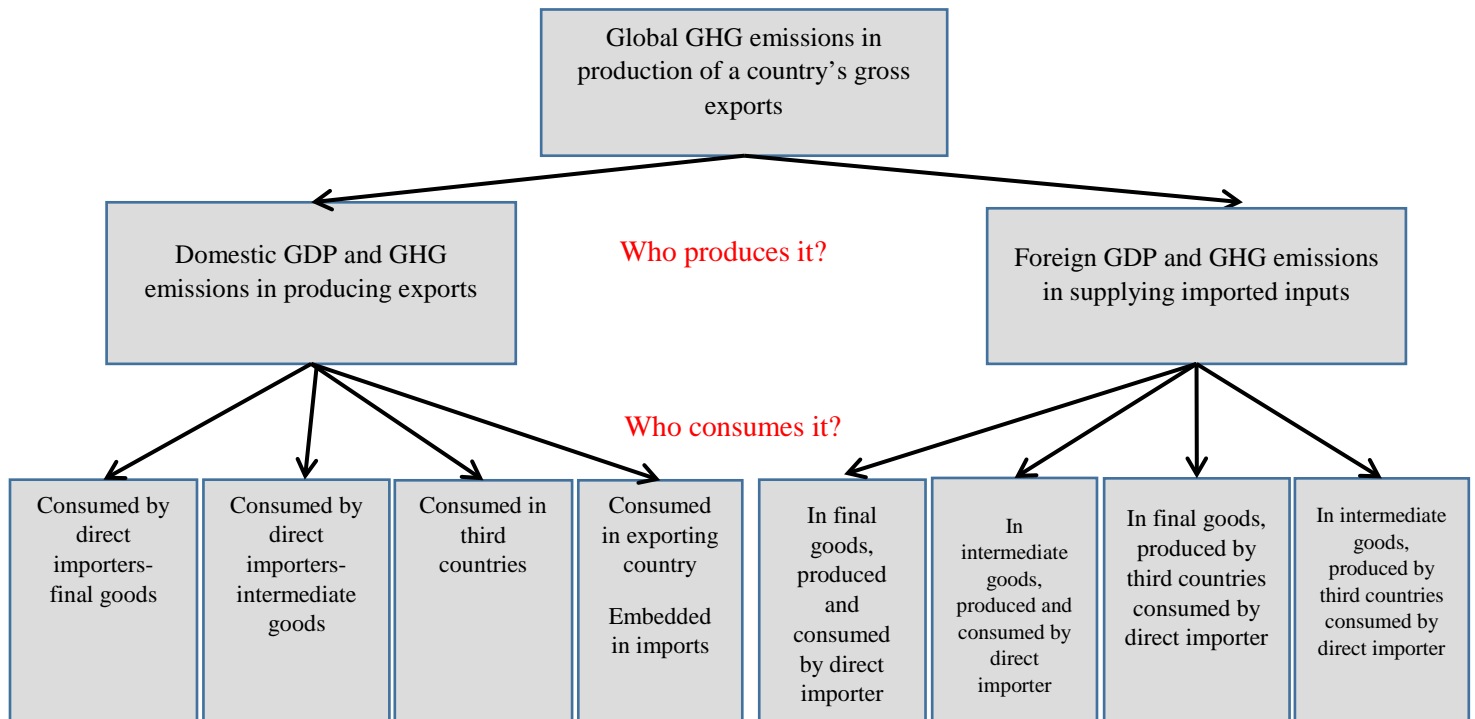
foreign emissions from third country t embodied in the intermediate exports of country s to country r , which are then used by country r as inputs to produce its domestic final goods and services.

Combining equations (23), (26) and (28), we decompose the total global emissions generated from the production of a country's gross exports to its trading partner as

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(E^{sr}) &= (F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr}) \\
 &\quad (1) \qquad (2) \\
 &+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# \left\{ (A^{sr} B^{rr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt}) + (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt}) + (A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, ru \neq s, t}^G \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G B^{rt} Y^{tu}) \right\} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} \\
 &\quad (3) \qquad (4) \\
 &+ (F^r B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^r B^{rs})^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr}) + (\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts})^T \# Y^{sr} + (\sum_{t \neq s, r}^G F^t B^{ts})^T \# (A^{sr} L^{rr} Y^{rr}) \\
 &\quad (5) \qquad (6) \qquad (7) \qquad (8)
 \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

The first four terms of equation (29) represent emissions within the exporting country, which are a by-product of generating the exporting country's GDP; the last four terms in equation (29) represent emissions within foreign countries that provide intermediate inputs for the exporting country, but also create GDP for these foreign countries. The decomposition made in equation (29) is also shown in Figure 3. The number in the lowest level box corresponds to the terms in equation (29).

Figure 3 Decomposition of global GHG emissions in the production of gross exports by different GVC routes – based on backward industrial-linkage



2.4.3 Relationships among different emissions trade measures

It turns out that separating emissions by backward versus forward industrial linkages is crucial to properly tracing emissions in trade at a disaggregated level. To our knowledge, the literature on embodied emissions in trade has not previously made a clear distinction between them. While Peters et al. (2011) made a distinction between emissions embedded in bilateral trade (EEBT) versus embodied emissions of final consumption, they do so only at the country aggregate level. More importantly, they do not distinguish backward from forward industrial linkages—such a distinction is not important at the country aggregate level, but is crucial at a disaggregated level. Therefore, a key contribution of this paper is to systematically develop these quantitative emissions trade measures at both aggregated and disaggregated levels. The relationships among these different emissions trade measures can be summarized as follows:

In a world of three or more countries, domestic emissions generated by the production of bilateral gross exports to satisfy foreign final demand (EEX), forward linkage-based emissions exports (EEX_F), and backward linkage-based emissions exports (EEX_B) are, in general, not equal to each other at the bilateral/sector level, though they are the same at the country aggregate

level. EEX_F and EEX_B are also equal at the bilateral aggregate level, while EEX and EEX_B are the same at the country/sector level.

EEG_F and $(EEX_F + REE_F)$ are equal to each other at both country sector and country aggregate levels, but not equal at the bilateral sector level; while EEG_B and $(EEX_B + REE_B)$ are equal to each other only at the country aggregate level. Because both REE_F and REE_B are non-negative, EEG_F is always greater than or equal to EEX_F at country/sector level; both EEG_F and EEG_B are always greater than or equal to all the three measures of trade in embodied emissions (EEX , EEX_F and EEX_B) at the country aggregate level. While at the bilateral sector level, EEG ($EEBT$) measures can be greater or smaller than EEX measures, as discussed in detail by Peters (2008). Finally, EEX_F and EEG_F as well as $(EEX_F + REE_F)$ are always less than or equal to the sector-level total emission production $P(y_i^s)$.

The intuition behind these statements is simple: since direct emissions exports at the sector level are the same for all three trade-in-emissions measures, only indirect emissions trades may differ. However, because such indirect emissions exports are part of the total emissions produced by each sector, the total emissions in a country/sector set an upper bound for forward linkage-based emissions exports and domestic emissions embedded in gross exports.

The definition of all the embodied emission trade measures discussed in this section and their relationships are summarized in Tables 1a and 1b below:

Table 1a Definition of different measures of embodied emissions in trade

Acronym or label	Definition in words	Key characters	Equation # in text
EEX_F	Embodied emissions exports, forward-linkage-based	1. Emissions generated in producing goods and services that satisfy foreign final demand; 2. Include indirect emissions exports ; 3. Excluding emissions associate with intermediate exports that are returned and absorbed at home 4. Trade concepts, produced in one country, consumed by another.	17
EEX_B	Embodied emissions exports, backward linkage –based		24
EEX	Embodied emissions associated to gross bilateral trade flows		23
REE_F	Embodied emissions return home, forward linkage–based	Emissions generated by producing intermediate inputs exported to other countries, which eventually returns home via imports to satisfy domestic final demand	18
REE_B	Embodied emissions return home, backward linkage–based		26
EEG_F	Emissions embodied in a country’s gross exports, forward linkage-based	1. Production concept, consistent to GDP by industry statistics 2. Focuses only on where the emissions are produced 3. Include the part of emissions that is generated by producing intermediate inputs for other countries but eventually re-imported	19
EEG_B	Emissions embodied in a country’s gross exports, backward-linkage-based		25

Table 1b Relationships among different measures of embodied emissions in trade

	Aggregation level	EEX & EEX_F	EEX & EEX_B	EEX_F & EEX_B	REE_F & REE_B	EEG_F & EEG_B	EEG_F & (EEX_F+ REE_F)	EEG_B & (EEX_B+ REE_B)
e_i^{sr}	Bilateral-Sector	≠	≠	≠	≠	≠	≠	≠
$\sum_{i=1}^N e_i^{sr}$	Bilateral Aggregate	≠	≠	=	=	=	≠	≠
$\sum_{r \neq s}^G e_i^{sr}$	Country-Sector	≠	=	≠	≠	≠	=	≠
$\sum_{r \neq s}^G \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^{sr}$	Country Aggregate	=	=	=	=	=	=	=

3. Empirical analysis

Following the concepts and accounting framework proposed above, this section uses the WIOD¹¹ to demonstrate how this framework can help to gain a deeper understanding of the relationships between GVCs and CO₂ emissions from different perspectives. While we focus on CO₂ here, the framework works in the same way for any environmental stressor.

3.1 Tracing CO₂ emissions in GVCs at the national level

We first apply the accounting framework at the national level to demonstrate the concepts summarized in Figures 1, 2, and 3.

Figure 4 shows “who produced CO₂ emissions for whom” by different GVC routes in 2009, using the two largest emitters, China and the US, as an example. This figure follows the forward industrial-linkage-based downstream decomposition method (Figure 1). Clearly, most CO₂ emissions (EH_F) are the result of satisfying the domestic final demand in each country that not relate to international trade. This result holds for most large economies since the self-sufficient portion normally accounts for the largest part of total final demand. However, compared to the US, this portion is much lower in China. More than 30% of China’s CO₂ emissions are induced by foreign final demand (EEX_F=EEX_F1+EEX_F2+EEX_F3). This is mainly for two reasons: 1) after China’s accession to the WTO, foreign final demand has played an increasing role in driving the growth of China’s GDP and the generation of China’s CO₂ emissions (Peters et al. 2011); 2) the CO₂ emission intensity for producing one unit GDP in China is higher than that in the US (Davis and Caldiera 2010) (also see Appendix B4).

As we discussed in section 2, part of the CO₂ emissions induced by domestic final demand depend on international trade due to production sharing between home and foreign countries, measured by REE_F. As an example, producing a car in China to satisfy China’s own final demand may require the importation of an engine from the US, which may use Chinese metal parts as inputs in its production. As a result, China’s final demand for its domestic final products may cause its own CO₂ emissions to rise through the two-way international trade in

¹¹ www.wiod.org

intermediate goods and services. The forward industrial-linkage-based downstream decomposition method can also be used to trace foreign final demand in driving home-country produced CO₂ emissions by different GVC routes. As also shown in Figure 4, the share of CO₂ emissions induced by foreign final demand through final goods trade (EEX_F1) for China is obviously larger than that for the US. This depends on both the CO₂ emission intensity and how a country participates in GVCs. Most developing countries, such as China, join GVCs through exporting relatively large amounts of final products in their early stage of development.

Figure 4 Who produces emissions for whom (forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, 2009)

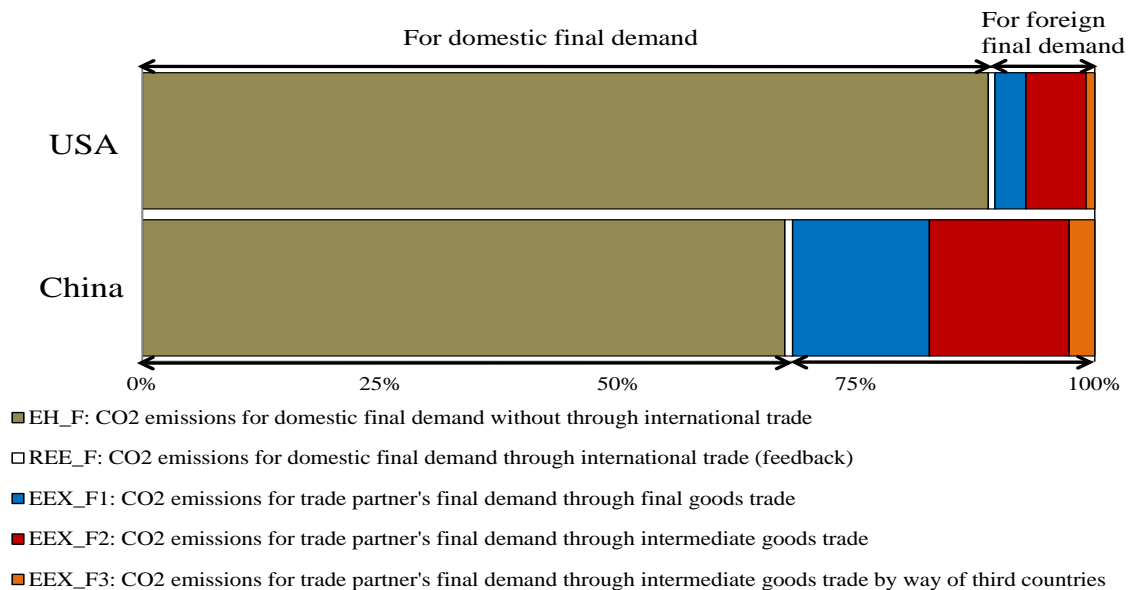


Figure 5 uses Germany and China as an example to show how CO₂ emissions are generated from upstream production stages in GVCs by different emission sources when these two countries produce final goods and services. This figure follows the backward industrial-linkage-based upstream decomposition method (Figure 2). The foreign emissions induced by the production of final goods and services in Germany account for a relatively large share (more than 35% in 2009) compared to that in China (less than 10% in 2009). This depends not only on all related countries' CO₂ emission intensities, but also their cross country production sharing arrangements and the way they participate in GVCs. China's CO₂ emission intensity is higher

than that of Germany (see Appendix B4); this makes China’s domestic emissions take a relatively large share in the production of final goods. On the other hand, Germany’s value chain has a relatively large foreign segment (relative to China, a country which is less integrated into the European Union), so more emissions may occur in other countries due to the induced demand for intermediate imports used for producing German-made final products.

In addition to technological efficiency, the amount of induced CO₂ emissions when producing final products may also depend on the structure of energy use in upstream production processes. For example, the usage of coal accounts for a very large portion of domestic emissions for China and relatively large portion of foreign emissions for Germany when producing final goods and services. In general, this indicator can help us clearly understand how a country’s production of final goods and services impact on the CO₂ emissions in its upstream countries or industries (domestic or foreign) through various GVC routes.

Figure 5 Induced emissions in both domestic and international segments of GVC when a country produces final goods and services (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, 2009)

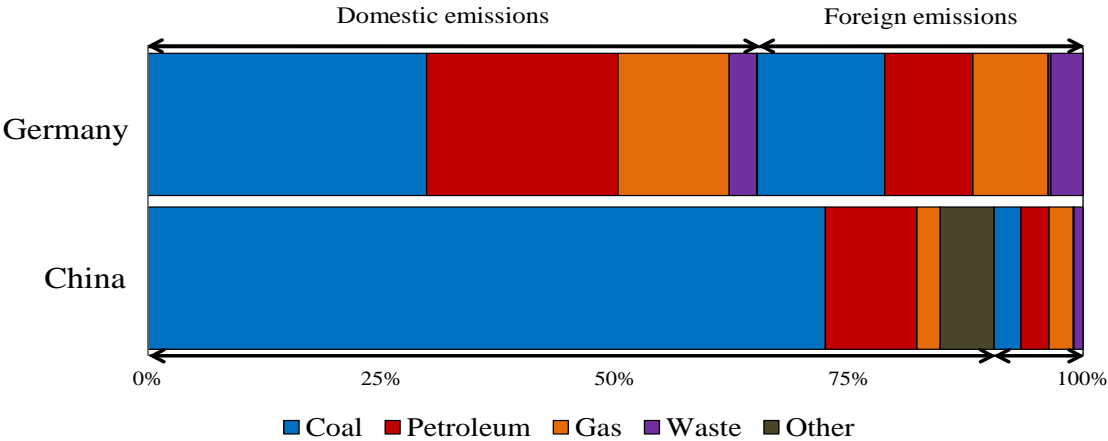
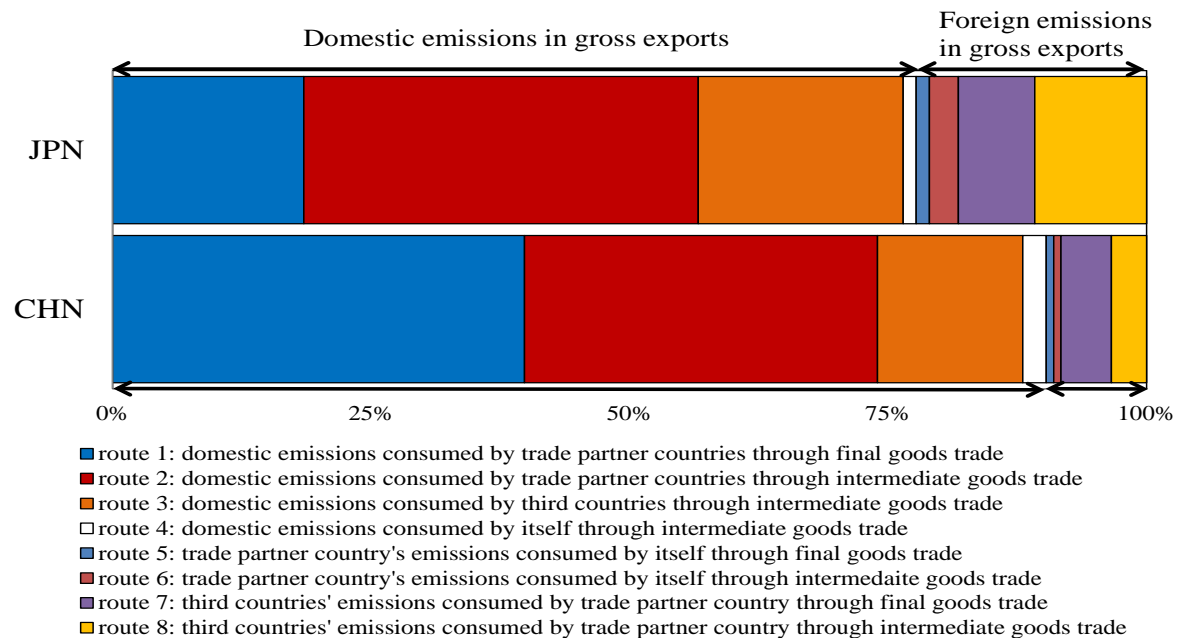


Figure 6 shows how Japan and China’s gross exports generate both domestic and foreign CO₂ emissions by different GVC routes in 2009 (cf. Davis and Caldiera 2010). This figure corresponds to the backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition of gross exports (Figure 3). Compared to Japan, domestic CO₂ emissions generated from China’s gross exports production

account for a relatively large share (more than 90%). Though China imports more intermediate inputs than Japan does in producing gross exports, lower energy efficiency and high carbon intensity are the main drivers that increase China's domestic emissions share in gross exports. When looking at the domestic CO₂ emissions by GVC routes, a remarkable difference between Japan and China can be observed: Japan's domestic CO₂ emissions in gross exports are mainly generated in the production of intermediate goods and services that are exported to its trading partners, while, for China, final goods exports play a dominant role. This depends on both the way a country participates in GVCs and its CO₂ emission intensity. As a result of its comparative advantage in assembly, exports final products is one of the major ways that China participates in GVCs. While Japan participates in GVCs largely through high-tech intermediate exports as a result of its comparative advantage in capital and skill intensive activities. Though the major exports with high comparative advantage for China are textile and electrical products which may not emit a large amount of CO₂ in their production processes, domestic intermediate inputs such as high-carbon electricity and chemicals are directly and indirectly embodied in these final product exports. As a result, domestic CO₂ emissions through final goods trade in China accounts for a relatively large share of its total emissions induced by gross exports.

Figure 6 Emissions embodied in gross exports by eight GVC routes (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, 2009)



The share of foreign CO₂ emissions in a country's gross exports also depends on its trading partners' CO₂ emission intensities. Japan's import content in exports is lower than that of China, but its foreign emissions in gross exports are higher. This implies that relatively high foreign carbon intensity goods are embodied in Japan's gross exports. In addition, one important advantage of using this framework is that we can easily understand who produces gross exports and CO₂ emissions for whose consumption through which specific GVC route. For example, about 20% of CO₂ emissions in Japan's gross exports is for satisfying its direct trading partner's final demand, but this is emitted in third countries through Japan's use of third countries' intermediate goods and services to produce its exports to the partner country (route 7 and 8). Given the rapid extension of international fragmentation of production, this type of emissions in international trade tends to increase if no global treaty is in place. We report more detailed results on CO₂ emissions based on the 3 type decomposition method discussed in section 2 at the national level for the years between 1995 and 2009 in Appendix B1- B3.

3.2 Tracing CO₂ emissions in GVCs at the bilateral and sectoral levels

As discussed in section 2, the unified accounting framework proposed in this paper can also be used to trace CO₂ emissions in GVCs at detailed bilateral and sectoral levels. Figure 7 shows how emissions are generated in the CO₂ intensive metal industry in three selected countries, China, Mexico, and Poland, to satisfy US final demand through different GVC routes. This figure corresponds to Figure 1 following the forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition method. We use these three countries as an example here because they are all active players in GVCs of metal products and are also important direct or indirect trading partners of the US, while being located in three different continents: North America, Asia, and Europe. In addition, for most countries, the metal industry is always one of the largest emitters, with relatively high carbon intensity.

Figure 7 Metal industry's CO₂ emissions exports from selected countries to the US by different GVC routes (forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, 2009)

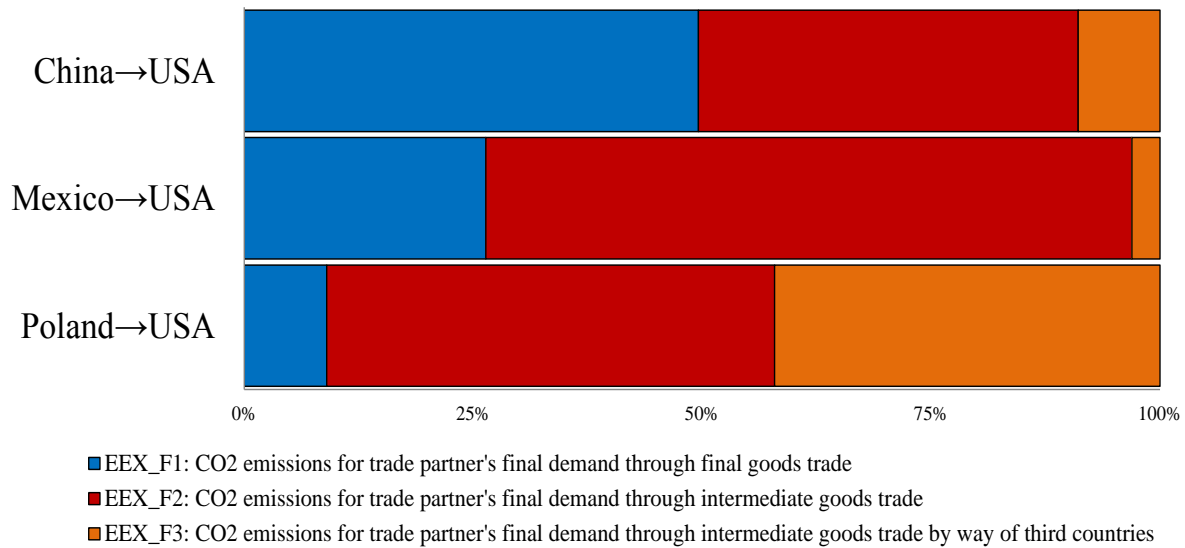


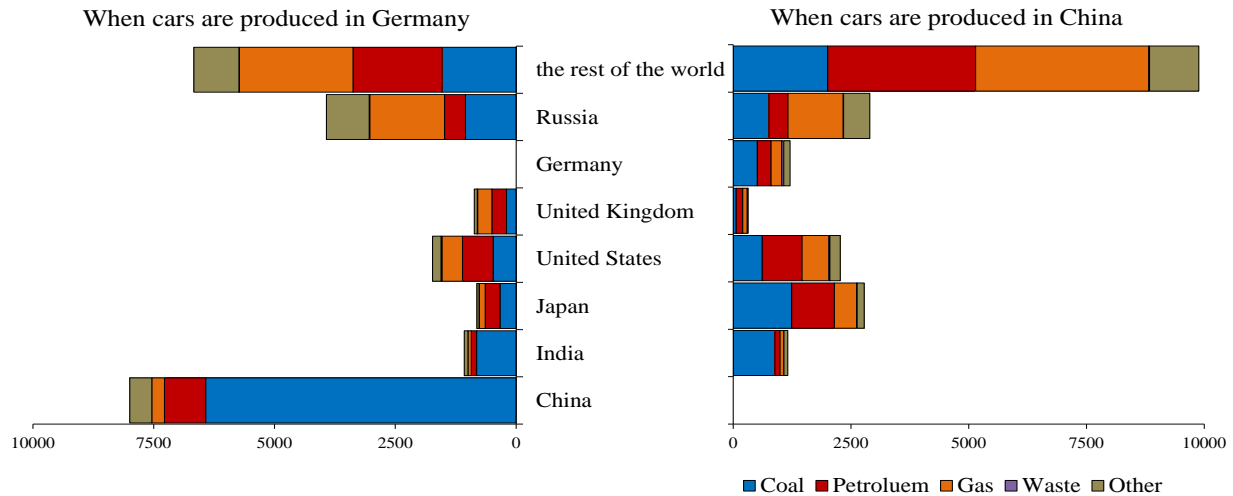
Figure 7 shows the CO₂ emissions in the metal industries in these three countries from activities to satisfy US’s final demand via different GVC routes. The pattern is mainly determined by a country’s position and participation in GVCs. China exports large quantities of final products to the US, so we see China’s metal industry’s CO₂ emissions from satisfying US’s final demand arising mainly through final goods trade. Mexico is also close to the US consumer but unlike China, it is located in a relative upstream position in metal GVCs: it is one of the largest providers of parts and components of metal products to the US, for example, for the US auto industry. As a result, the CO₂ emissions in Mexico’s metal industry are mainly embodied in its export of intermediate goods which are directly and indirectly consumed in the US. Poland is much further from the US consumers and is embedded in the EU economy, so it is located far upstream in the GVCs of metal products. Therefore, a large portion of Poland’s metal industry CO₂ emissions are embodied in goods traded with third countries, such as metal products used in a German car finally consumed in the US. Tracing CO₂ emissions at the bilateral and sector levels as this example can help us to better understand the effect of a country’s position and participation in GVC on the geographic source of its CO₂ emissions at the industry level.

Following the accounting method summarized in Figure 2, we use German-made and Chinese-made cars as an example to demonstrate how these two large car producers cause

upstream country's CO₂ emissions in automobile GVCs. Figure 8 shows China, the rest of the world (RoW), and Russia are the economies most affected by car production in Germany, besides Germany itself. On the one hand, this is because these three economies are located upstream of Germany's car value chain through providing intermediate goods and services directly or indirectly for German car production. On the other hand, it is a result of the relatively high carbon intensity for producing intermediate goods in these countries compared to other upstream countries, like the US and Japan. Another important factor is that different upstream countries involved in Germany's car value chain rely on different energy sources to produce their intermediate exports. For instance, China mainly relies on coal-based energy, hence coal-based CO₂ emissions account for the majority of emissions in China resulting from car production in Germany. This also implies that emissions to produce German cars will decrease substantially if China can replace coal by other green energy sources in producing intermediate goods purchased by the Germans. Compared to the German-made car, the production activities of auto makers in China have a larger impact on CO₂ emissions in the RoW and Russia. China overtook the US, becoming the world's top auto maker and market in 2009¹². Large amounts of components are imported from the RoW through various GVC routes directly and indirectly. As a result, the RoW has been the most affected upstream region in the production of Chinese-made cars. In addition, Japan and the US are also heavily affected since both countries are located in the upstream of China's car value chain by providing high-tech intermediate goods and services. This is different from the cars made in Germany because Germany may obtain almost all high-tech parts from its domestic suppliers rather than its main rivals, the US and Japan.

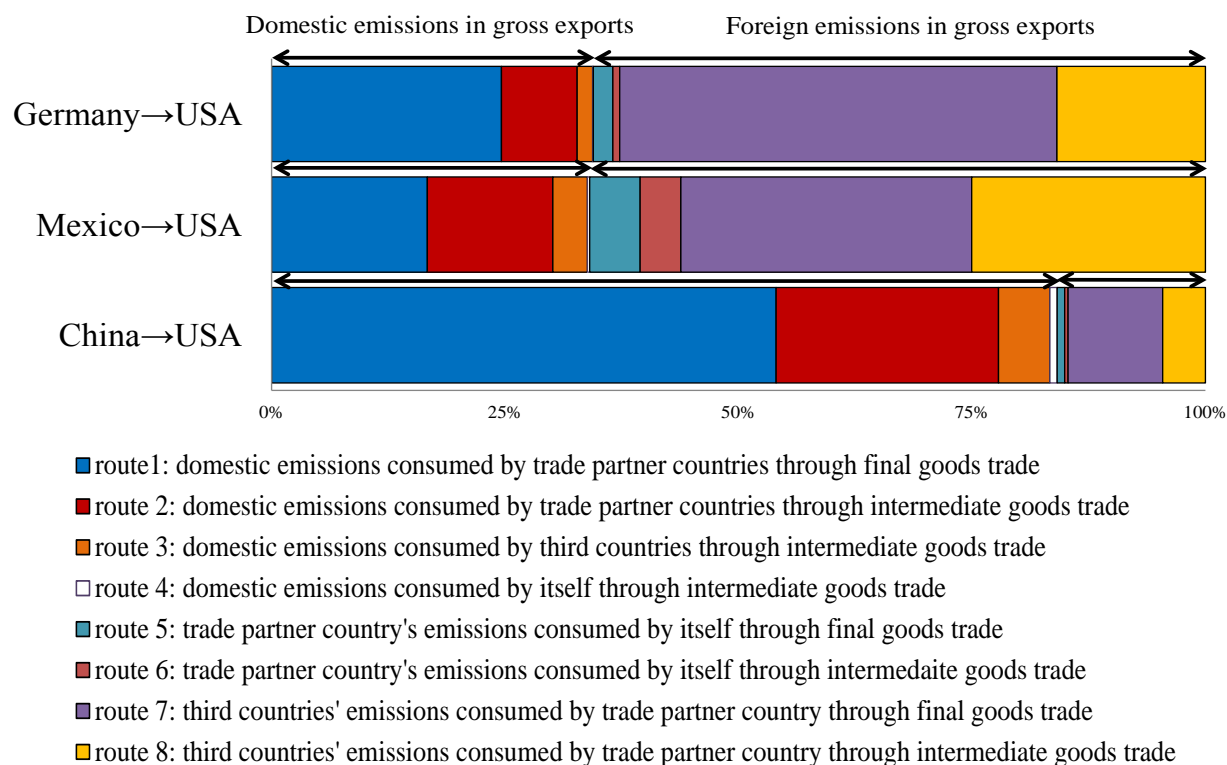
Figure 8 Induced foreign CO₂ emissions from producing cars in selected countries (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition)

¹² China Daily, http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/bizchina/2010-01/12/content_9309129.htm, Updated: 2010-01-12 15:37



To illustrate how the accounting framework proposed in Figure 3 works at bilateral and sector levels, we use Germany, Mexico and China's electrical product exports to the US as an example. Figure 9 demonstrates how a country's gross exports of electrical products to the US generate both domestic and foreign CO₂ emissions through different GVC routes. These three countries were the largest trading partners for electrical products with the US in Europe, North America and Asia, respectively, in 2009. Figure 9 shows that about 85% of CO₂ emissions generated by China's gross exports of electrical goods to the US are emitted inside China, a very large portion of which is from the production of final goods exported to the US. Compared to China, Germany and Mexico show a very different pattern. Their exports of electrical product to the US induce more foreign CO₂ emissions. This difference is caused by several reasons that may operate in opposing directions: for instance, a higher domestic carbon intensity in producing goods and services leads to a larger portion of domestic emissions; while a higher proportion of foreign intermediate imports in a country's exports (implying a higher participation in GVCs), leads to a smaller portion of domestic emissions.

Figure 9 CO₂ emissions embodied in selected countries' gross exports of electrical products shipped to the US via 8 different GVC routes (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, 2009)



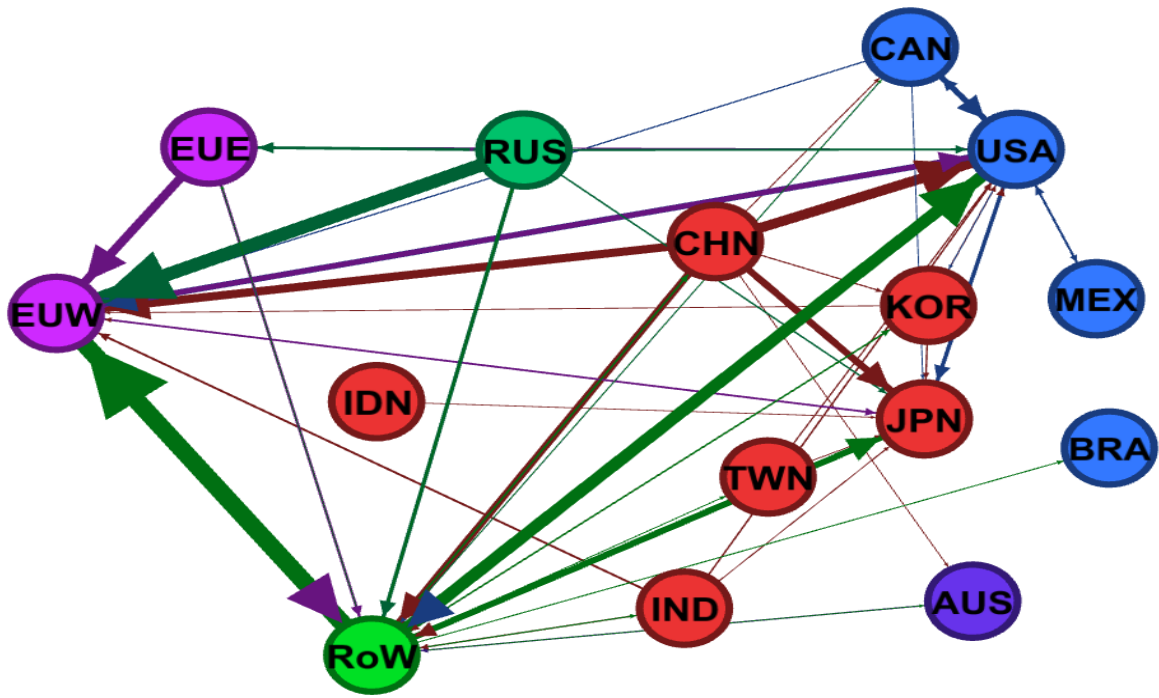
Estimates based on WIOD shows that the import contents of electrical product exports to the US are 24%, 53% and 32% for Germany, Mexico and China, respectively. Germany's import contents are the lowest of these three exporting countries, but its gross exports to the US generate more foreign CO₂ emissions. This clearly reflects two factors. First, Germany has relatively low domestic carbon intensity in producing exports. Second, Germany may import more high-carbon intensity intermediate goods directly or indirectly from other countries for producing its gross exports to the US. Mexico's imported content in its exports is the highest. This naturally leads to a large portion of foreign CO₂ emissions in its gross exports. The US's CO₂ emissions generated by gross exports of electrical products from Mexico to the US accounts for a very large portion (routes 5 and 6) compared to that in other countries. This is mainly because Mexico needs more intermediate parts and components provided by the US directly or indirectly when producing electrical products for exporting back to the US. In addition, this accounting framework not only identify who produces gross exports and CO₂ emissions, but also identify who finally consumes the CO₂ emissions embodied in the gross exports. Clearly, the embodied CO₂ emissions in routes 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are finally consumed by the US; emissions in route 3 are finally consumed by third countries, emissions in route 4 are finally consumed by

the exporting countries themselves. The above example shows that border carbon adjustments would be difficult because emissions could be embodied in gross exports through different routes in GVCs due to different production sharing arrangements.

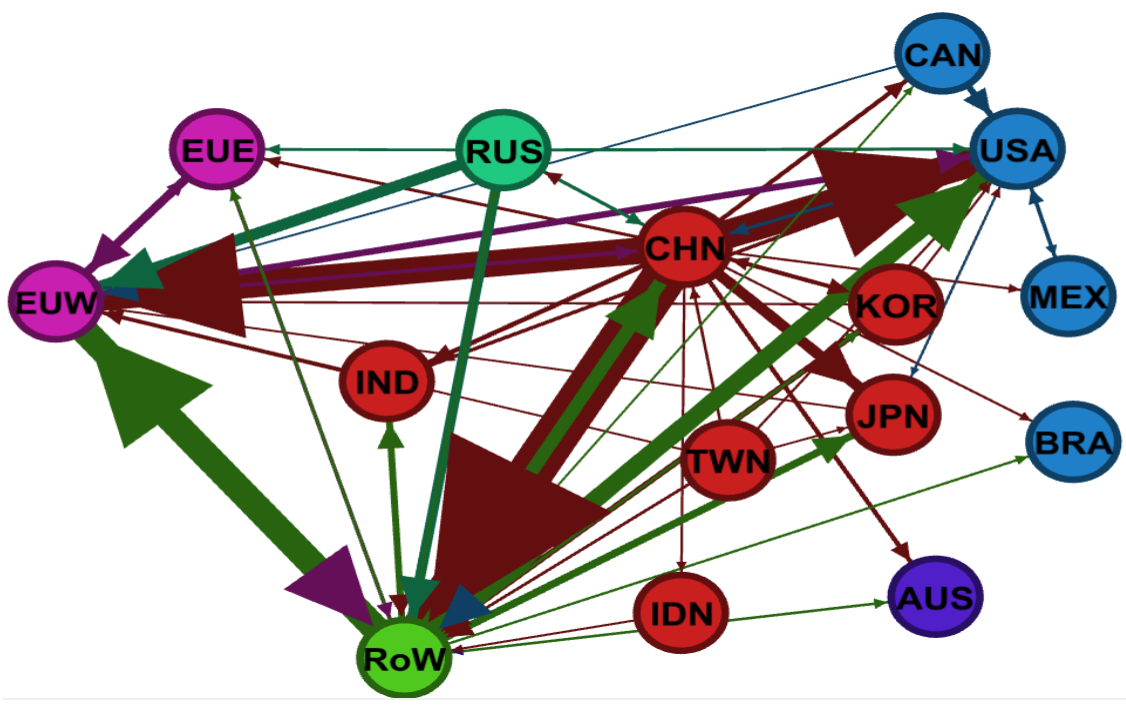
3.3 Bilateral Trade in CO₂ Emissions

Figure 10 shows the bilateral trade in CO₂ emissions across the 15 largest countries or country groups for 1995 and 2009. In 1995, China, the US, EUW (the EU15), Russia and the RoW are the major exporters of CO₂ emissions; Japan, the US, the EUW and the RoW are the major importers of CO₂ emissions. The basic direction of bilateral flows remains unchanged between 1995 and 2009, but some interesting changes in the magnitude of CO₂ emissions trade can be observed. For example, China's exports of CO₂ emissions increased dramatically and, at the same time, China also became one of the largest importers of CO₂ emissions. More interesting thing is that the carbon emission trade (exports + imports) between China and other developing countries has exceeded all bilateral emission trade between any developed economy blocks and China (the EU-China or the US-China). This is not only driven by the increased demand for Chinese manufacturing products from developing countries, but also due to "made in China" is highly depend on intermediate imports from other developing countries as inputs, and the RoW uses more and more intermediate imports from China, both of them have much higher carbon intensity than intermediate imports from developed countries. This could be a great concern since both China and countries in the RoW are Non-Annex B economies in Kyoto Protocol and have relatively weak environmental regulations.

Figure 10 Bilateral trade in CO₂ emissions



1995



2009

Note: The magnitudes of emissions trade flows in this figure are based on EEX_F^{sr}. Exports from CHN (China) to the RoW (rest of the world) are respectively 104,563 Kt and 584,219 Kt for 1995 and 2009.

3.4 The relationship between GVC participation and embodied CO₂ emissions in gross exports

As mentioned in previous sections, a country's gross exports can generate both domestic and foreign CO₂ emissions through various GVC routes. The magnitudes of these two types of emissions highly depend on a country's position and participation in GVCs. The international economics literature on vertical specialization indicates that a country could join GVCs in two ways: it can participate in GVCs from downstream, use imported intermediate inputs to produce exports, or from upstream, exports intermediate goods that are used as inputs by another country to produce goods for exports. To determine a country's position in a vertical integrated production chain need both measures (Koopman et. al. 2014). Figure 11a shows the relationship between a country's GVC participation from downstream (similar to Hummels et al. (2001)'s vertical specialization share indicator labeled as VS, measures the value of imported contents embodied in a country's exports) and its domestic share of total CO₂ emissions embodied in gross exports for the top 20 exporting economies in the world in 2009. The size of a bubble represents the magnitude of foreign CO₂ emissions embodied in a country's gross exports. The dark the color of the bubble, the higher the emission intensity (environment cost for per unit GDP; emissions in KT / GDP in million US\$ at 1995 constant prices). The rings with different colors surrounding the bubbles show four different GVC routes (through energy, non-energy final goods trade, energy, non-energy intermediate goods trade). The main facts revealed by Figure 11a can be summarized as follows.

1. The higher the imported content in a country's exports, the smaller the domestic CO₂ emissions in its gross exports (*ceteris paribus*). When a country uses more foreign intermediate inputs to substitute for domestic inputs in producing exports, relatively less CO₂ emissions will be generated domestically¹³. The large scale of gross exports produced by China and the RoW and their relatively higher imported contents in exports compared to similar large countries, such as the US and Japan, cause more foreign CO₂ emissions. However, the relatively higher carbon intensity for developing economies, like China, India and the RoW, leads to a larger share of domestic CO₂ emissions

¹³ Without considering the energy goods trade, the level of GVC participation for the RoW should be much lower.

embodied in their gross exports, although their shares of imported contents in exports are similar to some developed economies, such as Germany, France and Spain.

2. Developing economies join GVCs by providing relatively more final goods, which is different from developed economies due to their different comparative advantages. For example, the foreign CO₂ emissions embodied in gross exports from the US, Japan, Korea and Taiwan are mainly as a result of intermediate goods trade, while for China, India and Mexico they are mainly as a result of final goods trade.
3. China and RoW have been the top two regions inducing massive foreign CO₂ emissions in producing exports. Besides their large scale of gross exports, both economies import high-carbon intensity components from each other. While Japan, Korea and Taiwan's bubbles are not only relatively large but also darker (higher carbon intensity). This is mainly because China has been their major trading partner, providing not just final goods but also intermediate goods.

Figure 11a The relationship between GVC participation and CO₂ emissions (2009)

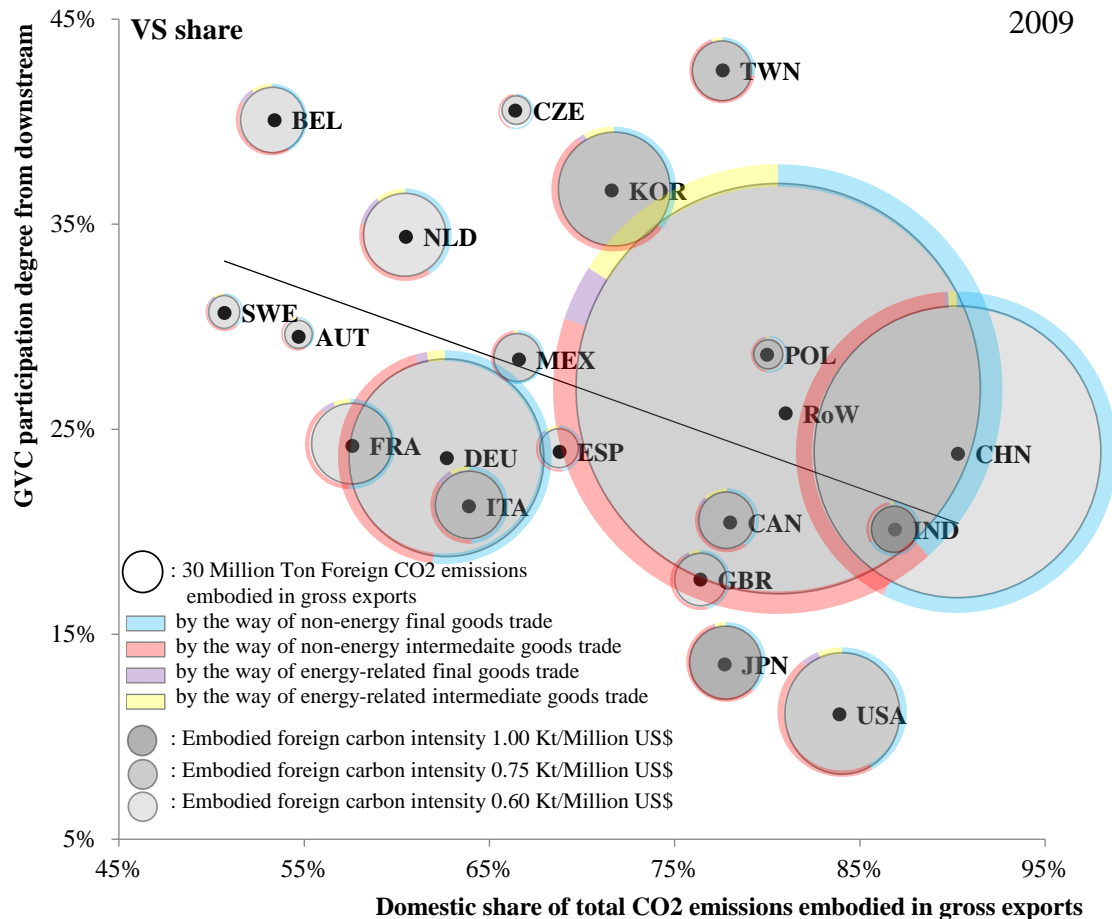
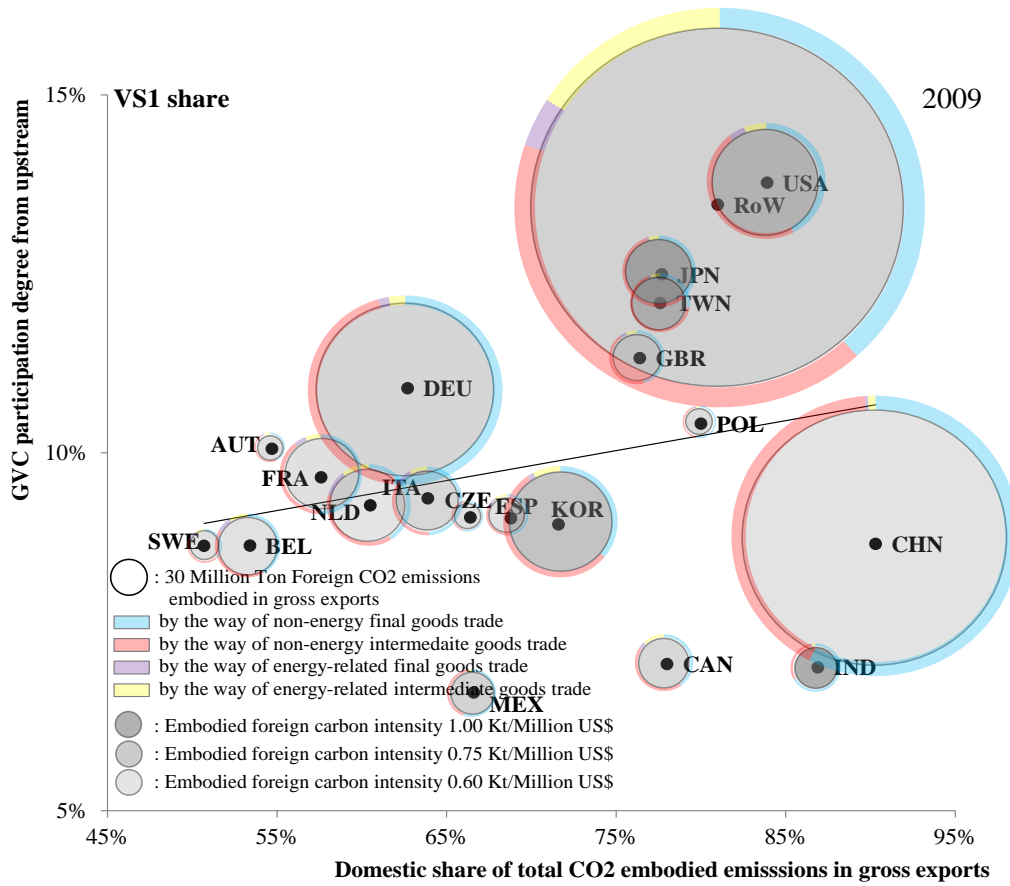


Figure 11b shows the relationship between a country's GVC participation from upstream (similar to Hummels et al. (2001)'s vertical specialization share indicator labeled as VS1, measures intermediate exports sent indirectly through other countries) and its domestic share of total CO₂ emissions embodied in gross exports. The horizontal axis remains no change, but countries' positions show very different pattern compared to that in Figure 11a. For example, because developed economies, such as the US, Japan, UK, Germany and Taiwan can provide more sophisticated manufacturing intermediates to their downstream countries for further processing and assembling, thus have higher degree of GVC participation from upstream, while India, Mexico and China have lower levels of participation. Viewing a country's participation from both upstream and downstream perspective provide more insights on the relationship between GVC participation and emissions in trade. For instance, Korea and Taiwan's positions are very close in Figure 11a, but very different in Figure 11b.

Figure 11b The relationship between GVC participation and CO₂ emissions (2009)



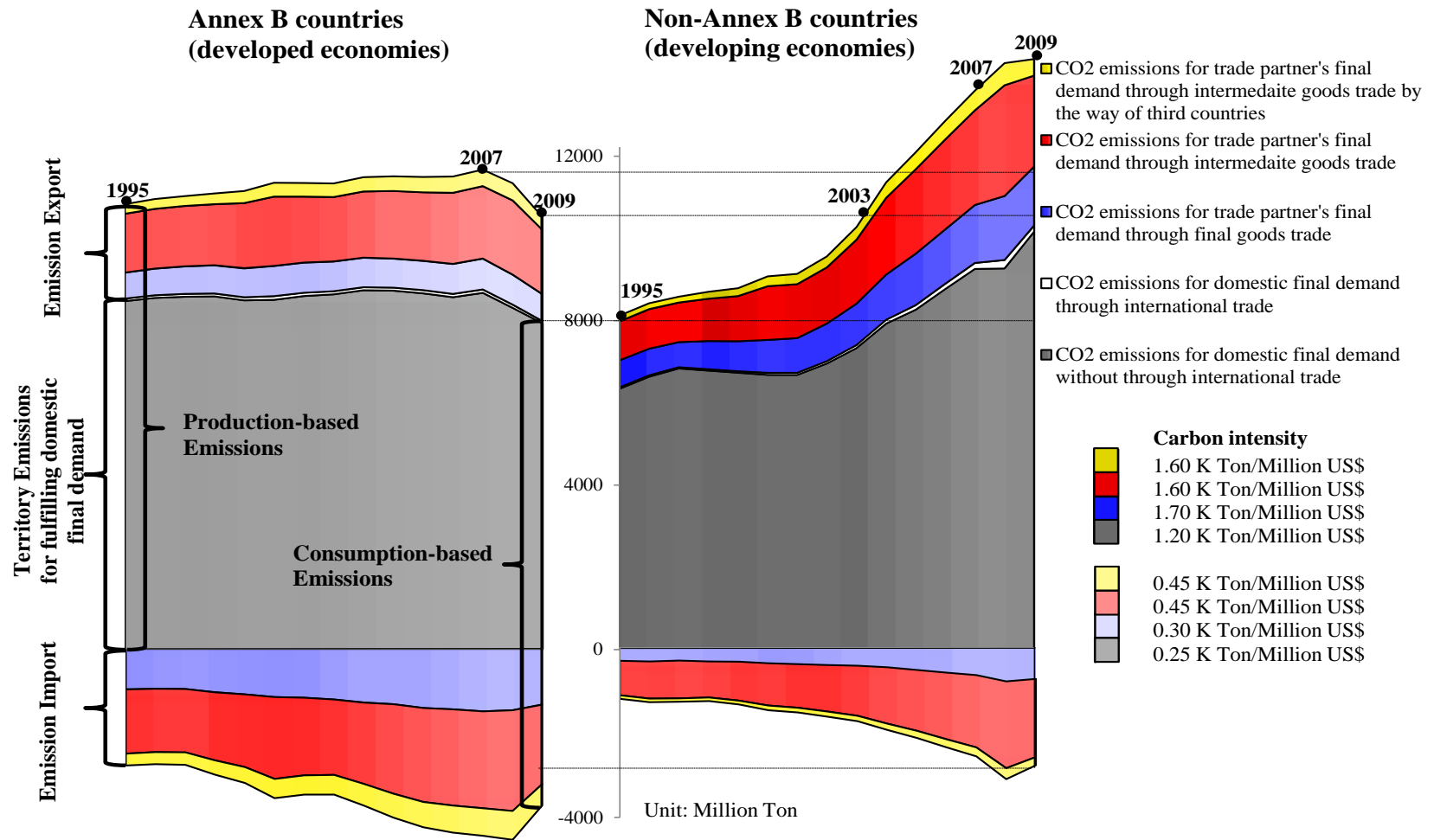
3.5 Consumption-based versus production-based CO₂ emissions and emissions transfer through different GVC routes

As shown by Peters et al. (2011), most developed countries (as Annex B countries in the Kyoto Protocol) have increased their consumption-based CO₂ emissions faster than their territorial emissions. The net emissions transfer via international trade from developing to developed countries increased very rapidly and exceeds the Kyoto Protocol emissions reduction. Expanding on Peters et al. (2011) (use the forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition method summarized by Figure 1), we not only estimate the consumption-based and production-based emissions and their evolution from 1995 to 2009 for both Annex B and Non-Annex B country groups, but also further investigate how the international transfer of emissions occurs through various GVC routes with different environmental costs (carbon intensities).

Figure 12 shows that production-based CO₂ emissions for the Annex B country group have increased slightly in the period 1995-2009. Emission exports for satisfying foreign final demands is the main driver of this increase, since territory emissions for fulfilling domestic final demands have shown a slight decrease in the same period. Consumption-based emissions for the Annex B country group experienced an increase due to increasing emissions imports (foreign emissions induced by Annex B countries). Looking at the structure of Annex B countries' increasing emissions trade by different GVC routes, we find that trade in intermediate goods is the main contributor to growth for both exports and imports, with little change in trade through final goods except for a slight increasing trend for imports. Compared to the Annex B countries, the Non-Annex B country group shows large increases in both domestic emissions and emissions trade. The production-based emissions for the Non-Annex B group in 2003 exceeded the Annex B group's peak level emissions (2007); Non-Annex B group's territory emissions for its domestic final demands in 2009 were close to the level of production-based emissions for Annex B groups. The Non-Annex B country group also imports more emissions and has been at the same level as the Annex B group's emissions exports.

With the information about carbon intensity (the darker the color, the higher the emission intensity with higher environment cost for per unit GDP; emissions in KT / GDP in million US\$ at 1995 constant prices) along different GVC routes, the major facts observed from Figure 12 can be summarized as follows:

Figure 12 Consumption-based vs. production-based CO₂ emissions and emissions transfer through different GVC routes (1995-2009)



1. The environmental cost for generating one unit GDP in domestic production networks is lower than that through international trade for both developed and developing countries. One of the main drivers is the carbon leakage through international trade due to differences in environmental regulation level across countries. Another driver is the increasing fragmentation of production, which requires more international transportation shipment (high-carbon intensity sector) across multiple borders multiple times.
2. The environmental cost for generating one unit GDP shows a decreasing trend for both Annex B and Non-Annex B countries from 1995 to 2009. However, the carbon intensity for Non-Annex B countries in 2009 is still higher than that for Annex B countries' 1995 level. In addition, the decrease on carbon intensity¹⁴ in developing economies cannot offset the increased emissions from rapid economic and population growth. This clearly implies that helping more developing countries set carbon emission peak as China did in 2014 is more urgent than decades ago.
3. The increasing sophistication in cross country production sharing also give an impetus to emissions transfer, since more cross-border CO₂ emissions transfer arises through intermediate goods trade via third countries.

3.6 The hidden environment cost of China's comparative advantage in manufacturing exports

As discussed in section 2, different measures of emission defined in this paper provide different tools to quantify embodied CO₂ emissions trades from different perspectives¹⁵. To provide a better understanding of the differences between these measures and their economic and policy implications, we use both the forward and the backward industrial-linkage-based domestic emission measure to compute China's Released Comparative Advantage (RCA¹⁶) as an example.

¹⁴ For detailed empirical results on carbon intensity at the bilateral level by different energy types along GVCs, one can refer to Figure B3 in Appendix.

¹⁵ Table B5 in Appendix B reports bilateral embodied emissions trade of Electrical and Optical Equipment (WIOD sector 14) between China and Japan in 2009 by different measures defined in section 2. It is a numerical example to illustrate the analytical relations among various emission trade measures we discussed in table 1b in real world data.

¹⁶ The RCA indicator used in the paper follows the additional RCA measure proposed by Hoen and Oosterhaven (2006). This type of indicator ranks from -1 to +1, with a symmetric distribution that centers on a stable mean of zero, independent of the sector classifications used.

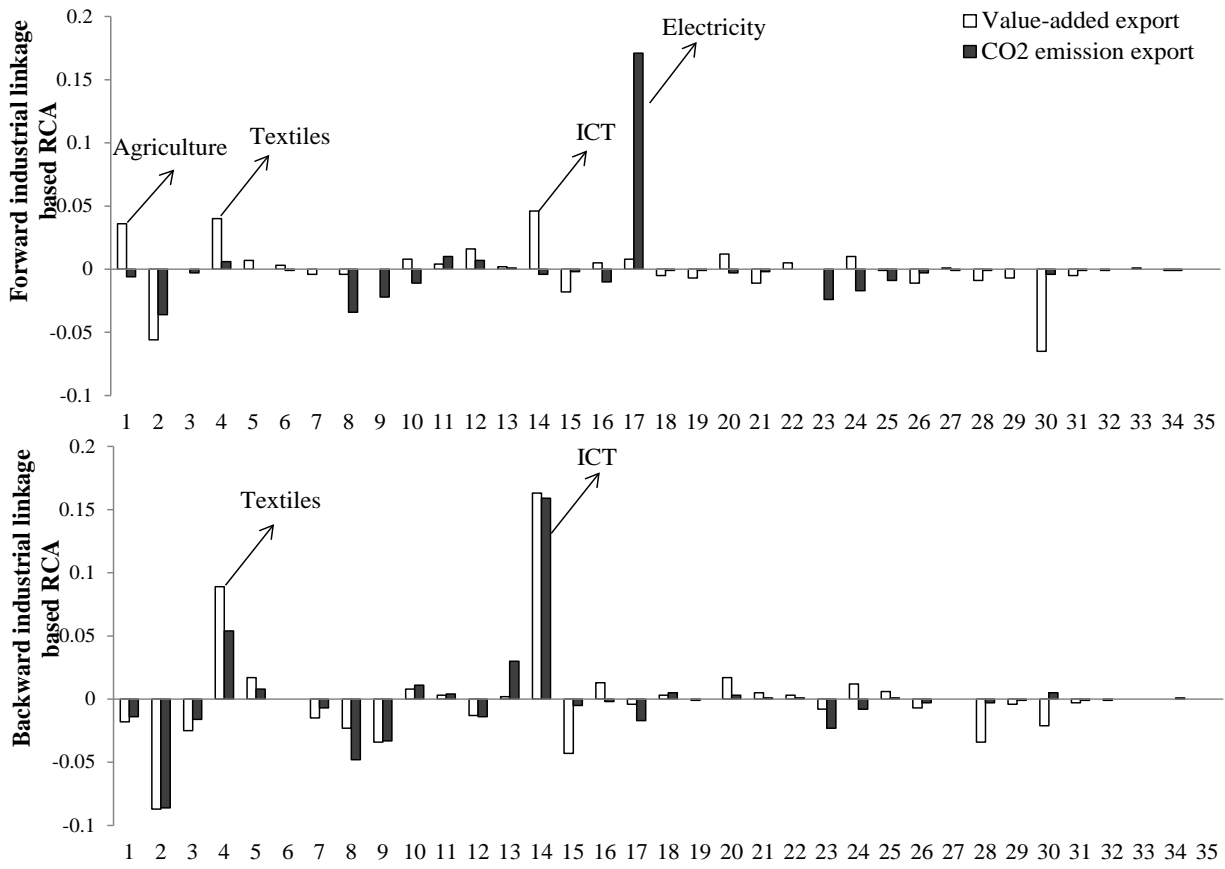
The traditional RCA indicator (Balassa 1966) is based on gross exports. As pointed by Wang et al. (2013), the traditional RCA ignores both domestic production sharing and international production sharing. A conceptually correct measure of comparative advantage needs to exclude foreign-originated value added and pure double counted terms in gross exports but include indirect exports of a sector's value added through other sectors of the exporting country. When a country uses imported intermediate goods intensively to produce its exports, Koopman et al. (2014) show that RCA based on gross exports can be very misleading and suggested a way to remove the distortion of double counting by focusing on domestic value-added in exports. We follow the same idea here to measure a country's RCA by using both value-added exports and CO₂ emissions exports. As mentioned earlier, according to the forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, a country's value-added or CO₂ emissions exports at the sector level represent how much of this country's specific sector's value-added or CO₂ emissions embodied in all downstream countries' and sectors' gross output is finally consumed in foreign countries. According to the backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, a country's value-added or CO₂ emissions exports at the sector level measures how much this country's value-added or CO₂ emissions in all upstream production stages are embodied in a specific product that is finally consumed in foreign countries.

The upper panel of Figure 13 shows China's forward industrial linkage based RCA by sector ranking for both value-added and CO₂ emissions exports. For value-added exports, Electrical and Optical Equipment (ICT, WIOD sector 14), Textiles and Textile Products (WIOD sector 4) and Agriculture, Hunting, Forestry and Fishing (WIOD sector 1) show the highest RCA since all these sectors generate more value-added for fulfilling foreign countries' final demand through global value chains directly and indirectly. However, for CO₂ emissions exports, these Chinese products are relative cleaner, only Electricity, Gas and Water Supply (sector 17) shows an extremely high RCA. This implies that energy sector emits large amounts of CO₂ emissions embodied in China's various manufacturing exports to satisfy foreign final demands, which are not show up in traditional trade statistics since there is a negligible amount of Chinese electricity exported directly.

The bottom panel of Figure 13 shows the backward industrial linkage based RCA estimates for China. Clearly, the RCA for value-added export is normally consistent to that for CO₂ emissions

export at the sector level. The production of Chinese textile and ICT exports is much more carbon intensive due to its upstream sectors (such as electricity, metal, glass production) are more carbon intensive than most developed countries. We see that from the perspective of a producer, the production process of these Chinese products has a low-carbon intensity (forward), but from the viewpoint of foreign user, they have a high-carbon intensity since relatively large shares of CO₂ emissions are generated in their upstream sectors (backward). This implies that both downstream-driven and upstream-driven RCA indicators have their own roles in helping better understanding the fact that China's comparative advantage in many manufacturing sectors in the world market are highly related to high-carbon inputs coming from their upstream sectors, which have little direct exports in the traditional trade statistics, but is embodied in other Chinese manufacturing products and in fact indirectly exports to the world market extensively.

Figure 13 Backward vs. forward industrial linkage based RCA for both value-added exports and CO₂ emissions exports (2009)



4. Concluding remarks

The rise of global value chains has dramatically changed the nature and structure of international trade in recent decades. There is particularly strong growth in intermediate goods and services that may cross borders multiple times before the delivery of final products. This makes it difficult to understand “who produces value for whom” in a fragmented production system, compared to the relatively simple situation in the Ricardian era where exports were mainly final goods. The increasing complexity of GVCs has produced challenges for economic and environment policy as well as international governance. Therefore, it is important to understand to what extent GVCs impact on both value creation and emissions generation for trade and environment policies.

This paper unifies and extends existing emissions trade related measures, quantify their relationships, and further combines them with trade in value-added and GVC-based measures in recent literature into one consistent accounting framework, in which both value added and emissions can be systematically traced at country, bilateral, and sector levels through various GVC routes. In principle, when new countries or years are added to the WIOD database, or an alternative inter-country input-output table becomes available, our accounting framework can be applied as well. So the accounting framework developed in this paper is not inherently tied to the WIOD database and can be a stand-alone tool. It provides a useful analytical method for both trade and environment economists as well as policy makers to study the impact of production fragmentation and emergence of GVCs on the environment. We show that conventional analysis on carbon emission transfer, shared responsibilities and the environment cost of a country’s comparative advantages can all benefit from applying such new analytical tool developed in this paper.

Better and detailed information that combine environment cost and economic benefit in each production stages and trade routes along GVCs provide useful insights regarding to the role of each specific trade route in emission transfer and scientific evidence for concrete, targeted incentive mechanism and an integrated trade and greenhouse gas emission reduction policy design. We leave further analysis of the full decomposition results (it takes up 20 gigabytes of space) and link it to policy design for our future research agenda.

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Appendix A Detailed mathematical proofs¹⁷

A.1 Step by step proof of Equation (10) in the main text

Write $L^{ss} = (I - A^{ss})^{-1}$, then the last term of equation (9) in the main text can be written as

$$L^{ss} E^{s*} = L^{ss} \left(\sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} X^r \right) \quad (A1)$$

Using the gross output X^r decomposition equation

$$X^r = \sum_t^G B^{rt} \sum_u^G Y^{tu},$$

E^{s*} can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} E^{s*} &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_t^G B^{rt} \sum_u^G Y^{tu} \\ &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} \sum_{t \neq s}^G Y^{st} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G B^{rt} \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G Y^{tu} \\ &\quad + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} \end{aligned} \quad (A2)$$

Rearranging gives

$$\begin{aligned} E^{s*} &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{tr} Y^{rr} + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{u \neq s, r}^G B^{tu} \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{ur} \\ &\quad + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{tr} Y^{rs} + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{ss} \end{aligned} \quad (A3)$$

Inserting equation (A3) into (A1) gives

$$\begin{aligned} L^{ss} E^{s*} &= \left(L^{ss} + L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} \right) \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} \sum_{u \neq s}^G A^{su} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{tu} \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{tr} \\ &\quad + L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{tr} Y^{rs} + L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{ss} \end{aligned} \quad (A4)$$

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Using the properties of inverse matrices, we can obtain the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} I - A^{11} & -A^{12} & \cdots & -A^{1G} \\ -A^{21} & I - A^{22} & \cdots & -A^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -A^{G1} & -A^{G2} & \cdots & I - A^{GG} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B^{11} & B^{12} & \cdots & B^{1G} \\ B^{21} & B^{22} & \cdots & B^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B^{G1} & B^{G2} & \cdots & B^{GG} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & I & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & I \end{bmatrix} \\
& = \begin{bmatrix} B^{11} & B^{12} & \cdots & B^{1G} \\ B^{21} & B^{22} & \cdots & B^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B^{G1} & B^{G2} & \cdots & B^{GG} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I - A^{11} & -A^{12} & \cdots & -A^{1G} \\ -A^{21} & I - A^{22} & \cdots & -A^{2G} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -A^{G1} & -A^{G2} & \cdots & I - A^{GG} \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned} \tag{A5}$$

From (A5) we obtain

$$(I - A^{ss})B^{sr} - \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{tr} = 0 \tag{A6}$$

$$(I - A^{ss})B^{ss} - \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} = I = B^{ss}(I - A^{ss}) - \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} A^{rs} \tag{A7}$$

From equations (A6) and (A7), we can obtain following relationships between diagonal global block inverse matrices and local inverse matrices:

$$B^{ss} = L^{ss} + L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts}, \quad B^{sr} = L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{tr},$$

$$B^{st} = L^{ss} \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rt}, \quad L^{ss} \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} = \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} A^{rs} L^{ss}$$

Inserting these four equations into (A4) gives

$$L^{ss} E^{s*} = B^{ss} \sum_{r \neq s}^G Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{rt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rs} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} A^{rs} L^{ss} Y^{ss} \tag{A8}$$

which is exactly the same as equation (10) in the main text. We can further show that

$$\sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} Y^{rs} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{sr} A^{rs} L^{ss} Y^{ss} = \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{tr} Y^{rs} + \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{ss} = \sum_{t \neq s}^G A^{st} \sum_r^G B^{tr} Y^{rs} \tag{A9}$$

A.2 Step by step proofs of Equations (18), (19) and (20) in the main text

As equation (1) in the main text shows, the gross exports of country s to country r can be decomposed into two parts: final goods exports and intermediate goods exports,

$$E^{sr} = Y^{sr} + A^{sr} X^r \quad (\text{A10})$$

As illustrated in section 2.3 in the main text (equation 14), emission embodied in final goods exports can be easily decomposed into domestic and foreign emission by directly applying Leontief inverse. However, the decomposition of emission embodied in intermediate goods trade flows is more complex. It cannot be achieved by simply multiplying the Leontief inverse with gross intermediate exports because the latter has to be solved from the MRIO models first for any given level of final demand. Wang et al. (2013) provide a method to overcome this endogeneity issue by expressing all intermediate trade flows as different countries' final demands according to where the goods or services are absorbed. Following their method, the gross output of country r can be decomposed into the following components according to where it is finally absorbed (obtained from equation (12) in the main text by pick-up country r only):

$$\begin{aligned} X^r &= \sum_t^G B^{rt} \sum_u^G Y^{tu} = B^{rr} \sum_t^G Y^{rt} + \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} \sum_{u \neq s, t}^G Y^{tu} + B^{rs} \sum_{t \neq s}^G Y^{st} \\ &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rr} Y^{rr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G Y^{rt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tr} \\ &+ \sum_{r \neq s}^G \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} \sum_{u \neq s, r, t}^G Y^{tu} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G \sum_{t \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rs} Y^{ss} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rs} Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G B^{rs} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{st} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A11})$$

Inserting equation (A11) into the last term of equation (A10), the gross intermediate exports of country s to country r can be fully decomposed according to where they are absorbed:

$$\begin{aligned} A^{sr} X^r &= \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G Y^{rt} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} Y^{tr} \\ &+ \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G B^{rt} \sum_{u \neq s, r, t}^G Y^{tu} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} \sum_{t \neq s}^G B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} + \sum_{r \neq s}^G A^{sr} B^{rs} \sum_{t \neq s, r}^G Y^{st} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A12})$$

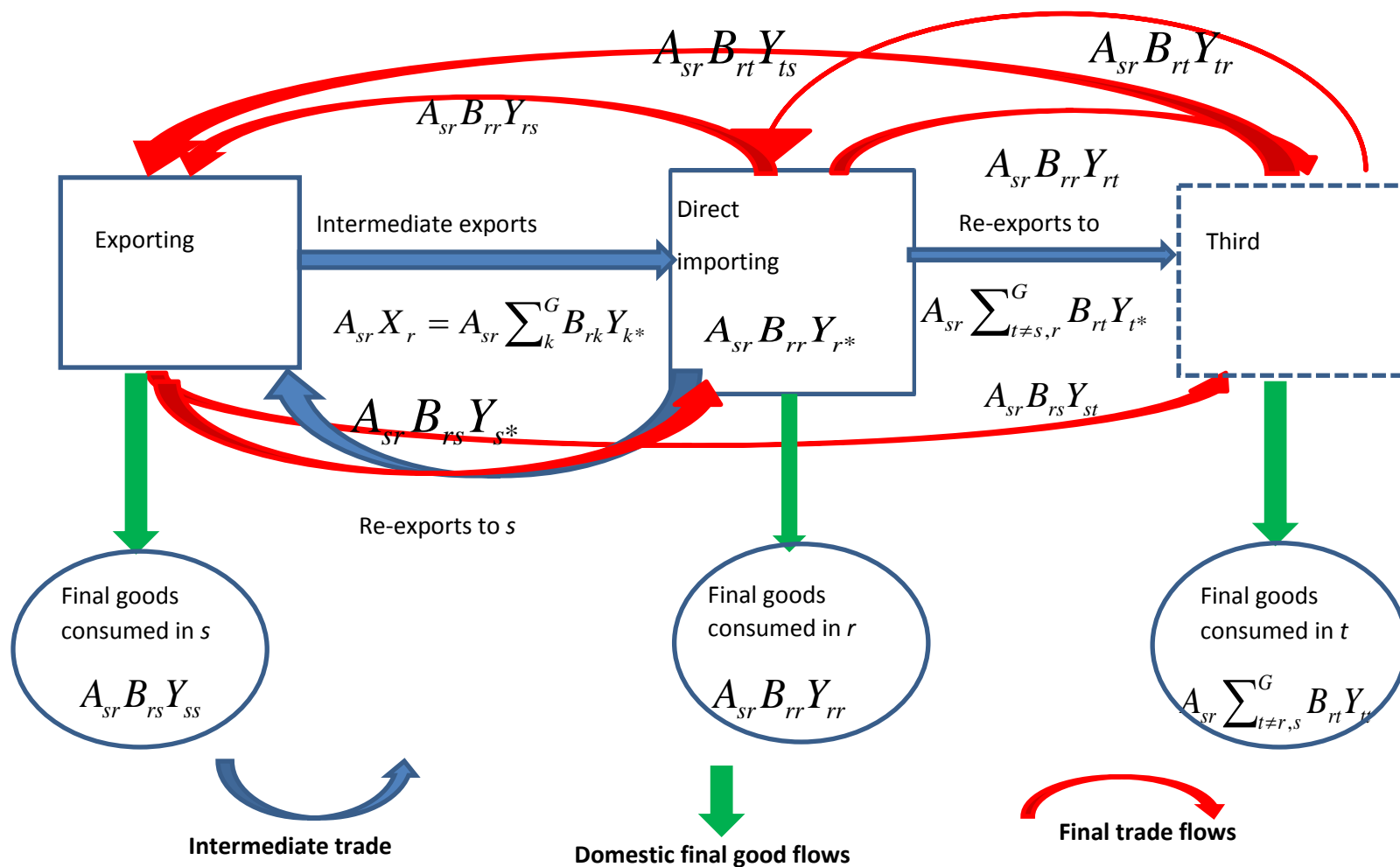
This decomposition is intuitively illustrated by figure A1.

After laying out the idea of how bilateral gross intermediate trade flows are decomposed, we provide a detailed step by step proof in a 3-country setting to simplify notation and make the materials accessible to more readers. Inserting equations (A10) and (A12) into the left hand of equation (19) in the

main text, which defines domestic emissions embodied in gross exports from country s to country r based on forward industrial linkages, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
EEG_{-F}^{sr} &= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} \\
&= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{ts} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A13}$$

Figure A1. Accounting for gross bilateral intermediate trade flows between country s and country r



Source: improved from Wang, Wei and Zhu (2014) Learning about global value chains by looking beyond official trade data: Part 1. <http://www.voxeu.org/article/learning-about-global-value-chains-looking-beyond-official-trade-data-part-1>

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The 1st term, $\hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{sr}$, represents emissions generated by each industry of country s embodied in its final goods exports to country r . The 2nd-4th terms (the 1st bracket) are emissions generated by each industry of country s embodied in its intermediate exports to country r that are driven by final demand in country r . The 5th-7th terms (the 2nd bracket) are emissions generated by each industry of country s embodied in its intermediate exports to country r that are driven by final demand in third countries (t). The 8th-10th terms (the 3rd bracket) are emissions generated by each industry of country s embodied in its intermediate exports to country r that ultimately return and are driven by final demand in country s .

Based on equation (17) in the main text, $EEX_{F^{sr}}$, emission exports from country s to country r based on forward industrial linkage in a three country world can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
EEX_{F^{sr}} &= \hat{F}^s B^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \hat{F}^s B^{st} Y^{tr} \\
&= \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} Y^{sr} + (B^{ss} - L^{ss}) Y^{sr} \right] + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{tr} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} \right] = \hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{tr} \right] + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A14}$$

Rearranging equation (A14) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
EEX_{F^{sr}} &= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A15}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
EEG_{F^{sr}} - EEX_{F^{sr}} &= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} - \hat{F}^s B^{ss} Y^{sr} + \hat{F}^s B^{sr} Y^{rr} + \hat{F}^s B^{st} Y^{tr} \\
&= \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{ts} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} \right] \\
&+ \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st} \right] \\
&- \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A16}$$

The 1st bracket of equation (A16) is emissions by industry embodied in the intermediate exports of country s to country r that are ultimately returned to satisfy final demand at home, which is the same as equation (18) in the main text in a three country world. We call it $REE_{F^{sr}}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
REE_{F^{sr}} &= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{ts} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss} \\
&= \hat{F}^s L^{ss} A^{sr} \sum_u^G B^{ru} Y^{us}
\end{aligned} \tag{A17}$$

The 2nd bracket in equation (A16) represents emissions by industry embodied in the intermediate exports from country s to country r that are driven by final demand in the third country (t). The 3rd bracket in equation (A16) represents emissions by industry embodied in the intermediate exports of country s to the third country (t) that are driven by final demand in country r . It is easy to understand that the 2nd and the 3rd brackets in equation (A16) are not equal to each other except very special cases. Therefore, EEG_F or $\hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr}$ based on forward linkage does not equal $EEX_F + REE_F$ at bilateral and bilateral sector level.

However, summing up equation (A16) over all trade partners (i.e., countries r and t in the three country world), the terms in the 2nd bracket and the terms in the 3rd bracket will equal each other and cancel out:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[\hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr} - EEX_F^{sr} \right] + \left[\hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{st} - EEX_F^{st} \right] \\
& = REE_F^{sr} + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st} \right] \\
& - \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr} \right] \\
& + REE_F^{st} + \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr} \right] \\
& - \hat{F}^s \left[L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st} \right] \\
& = REE_F^{sr} + REE_F^{st}
\end{aligned} \tag{A18}$$

Rearranging equation (A18) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
& EEG_F^{sr} + EEG_F^{st} = F^s L^{ss} E^{sr} + \hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{st} \\
& = \left[EEX_F^{sr} + REE_F^{sr} \right] + \left[EEX_F^{st} + REE_F^{st} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A19}$$

Therefore, EEG_F or $\hat{F}^s L^{ss} E^{sr}$ based on forward linkage are equal to $EEX_F + REE_F$ at the country/sector and country aggregate levels. This proves that equation (20) in the main text holds.

A.3 Step by step proofs of Equations (25), (26) and (27) in the main text

Inserting equations (A10) and (A12) into the left hand side of equation (25) in the main text, which defines domestic emissions embodied in gross exports from country s to country r based on backward industrial linkages, we obtain the following equations for the three country world.

$$\begin{aligned}
EEG_B^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# E^{sr} = (F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + A^{st} B^{rt} Y^{ts} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss})
\end{aligned} \tag{A20}$$

This shows that EEG_B^{sr} can be decomposed into four parts: emissions embodied in final goods exports, emissions embodied in intermediate goods that are used to satisfy final demand in the direct importing country r , emissions embodied in intermediate exports returned to the exporting country s , and re-exported to third countries t . Emissions in these terms include emissions generated not only by the exporting sectors but also by other domestic sectors that contribute to the production of a particular sector's gross exports.

Based on equation (23) in the main text, EEX_B^{sr} can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
EEX_B^{sr} &= (F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr}) \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr})
\end{aligned} \tag{A21}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
(F^s B^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s B^{ss} - F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} \\
&= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts})^T \# Y^{sr}
\end{aligned} \tag{A22}$$

Inserting equation (A22) into equation (A21) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
EEX_B^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} + (F^s L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts})^T \# Y^{sr} \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr}) \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tr})
\end{aligned} \tag{A23}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
&(F^s L^{ss})^T \# E^{sr} - EEX_B^{sr} \\
&= (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs} + A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{ts} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss}) \\
&+ (F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rr} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\
&- [(F^s L^{ss})^T \# (A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr}) + (F^s L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts})^T \# Y^{sr}] \\
&+ [(F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} - (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr}]
\end{aligned} \tag{A24}$$

The first term of equation (A24) represents the amount of emissions embodied in the sectoral exports from country s to country r that finally return home, and is exactly the same as equation (26) in the main text in a three country world:

$$REE_B^{sr} = (F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rs}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{ts}) + (F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{ss}) \quad (A25)$$

The second term of equation (A24) represents emissions in the sectoral intermediate exports of country s to country r which are then re-exported to other countries (both countries r and s) to produce final products that are consumed in the third country t . The third term of equation (A24) represents emissions in the gross intermediate exports of country s to third country t to produce final product exports to country r or produce intermediate products exports to countries r or s for production of final goods and services consumed in country r . As we will show later, $(F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} = (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr}$ at the bilateral aggregate level but not at the bilateral/sector level.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} EEG_B^{sr} - EEX_B^{sr} - REE_B^{sr} &= (F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\ &+ [(F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} - (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr}] \\ &- [(F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr}) + (F^s L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts})^T \# Y^{sr}] \neq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (A26)$$

It is obvious that the positive and negative terms in equation (A26) are not equal to each other except in very special cases. This indicates that EEG_B^{sr} and $(EEX_B^{sr} + REE_B^{sr})$ cannot be equal each to other at the bilateral/sector level in general. At the bilateral aggregate level, summing (A26) over sectors, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} uEEG_B^{sr} - uEEX_B^{sr} - uREE_B^{sr} &= u(F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\ &- u(F^s L^{ss})^T \#(A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr}) \\ &= F^s (L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\ &- F^s (L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr}) \neq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (A27)$$

The two terms in equation (A27) are still not equal each other in general. Therefore, the sum of $uEEX_B^{sr}$ and $uREE_B^{sr}$ does not equal $uEEG_B^{sr}$ at the bilateral aggregate level.

Summing up equation (A27) over all trading partners r and t , the positive and negative terms will cancel out:

$$\begin{aligned}
& uEEG_B^{Sr} + uEEG_B^{St} - u(EEX_B^{Sr} - REE_B^{Sr} - EEX_B^{St} - REE_B^{St}) \\
&= F^s (L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) \\
&- F^s (L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr}) \\
&+ F^s (L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tr} Y^{rr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{tt} Y^{tr} + L^{ss} A^{st} B^{ts} Y^{sr}) \\
&- F^s (L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rt} Y^{tt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rr} Y^{rt} + L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{st}) = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{A28}$$

Therefore, equation (27) in the main text holds.

$$\sum_{r \neq s}^G uEEG_B^{Sr} = \sum_{r \neq s}^G (uEEX_B^{Sr} + uREE_B^{Sr}) = \sum_{s \neq r}^G F^s L^{ss} E^{sr}$$

In a two-sector case,

$$\begin{aligned}
& (F^s L^{ss})^T \# A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} - (F^s L^{ss} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s & f_2^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} l_{11}^{ss} & l_{12}^{ss} \\ l_{21}^{ss} & l_{22}^{ss} \end{bmatrix} \# \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{sr} & a_{12}^{sr} \\ a_{21}^{sr} & a_{22}^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{rs} & b_{12}^{rs} \\ b_{21}^{rs} & b_{22}^{rs} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{sr} \\ y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \\
&- \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s & f_2^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} l_{11}^{ss} & l_{12}^{ss} \\ l_{21}^{ss} & l_{22}^{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{sr} & a_{12}^{sr} \\ a_{21}^{sr} & a_{22}^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{rs} & b_{12}^{rs} \\ b_{21}^{rs} & b_{22}^{rs} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \# \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{sr} \\ y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s l_{11}^{ss} + f_2^s l_{21}^{ss} \\ f_1^s l_{12}^{ss} + f_2^s l_{22}^{ss} \end{bmatrix} \# \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{sr} b_{11}^{rs} y_1^{sr} + a_{11}^{sr} b_{12}^{rs} y_2^{sr} + a_{12}^{sr} b_{21}^{rs} y_1^{sr} + a_{12}^{sr} b_{22}^{rs} y_2^{sr} \\ a_{21}^{sr} b_{11}^{rs} y_1^{sr} + a_{21}^{sr} b_{12}^{rs} y_2^{sr} + a_{22}^{sr} b_{21}^{rs} y_1^{sr} + a_{22}^{sr} b_{22}^{rs} y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \\
&- \begin{bmatrix} f_1^s \sum_i^2 l_{1i}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{ij}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} + f_2^s \sum_i^2 l_{2i}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{ij}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} \\ f_1^s \sum_i^2 l_{1i}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{ij}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} + f_2^s \sum_i^2 l_{2i}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{ij}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} \end{bmatrix} \# \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{sr} \\ y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i1}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{1j}^{sr} \sum_k^2 b_{jk}^{rs} y_k^{sr} \\ \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i2}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{2j}^{sr} \sum_k^2 b_{jk}^{rs} y_k^{sr} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i^2 f_i^s \sum_j^2 l_{ij}^{ss} \sum_k^2 a_{jk}^{sr} b_{k1}^{rs} y_1^{sr} \\ \sum_i^2 f_i^s \sum_j^2 l_{ij}^{ss} \sum_k^2 a_{jk}^{sr} b_{k2}^{rs} y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i1}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{1j}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} y_2^{sr} - \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i2}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{2j}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} y_1^{sr} \\ \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i2}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{2j}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} y_1^{sr} - \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i1}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{1j}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned} \tag{A29}$$

However,

$$\begin{aligned}
& u(F^S L^{SS})^T \# A^{sr} B^{rs} Y^{sr} - u(F^S L^{SS} A^{sr} B^{rs})^T \# Y^{sr} \\
& = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i1}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{1j}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} y_2^{sr} - \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i2}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{2j}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} y_1^{sr} \\ \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i2}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{2j}^{sr} b_{j1}^{rs} y_1^{sr} - \sum_i^2 f_i^s l_{i1}^{ss} \sum_j^2 a_{1j}^{sr} b_{j2}^{rs} y_2^{sr} \end{bmatrix} = 0 \tag{A30}
\end{aligned}$$

Both elements in the last term in (A29) are not equal to zero in general. However, after aggregating over sectors, the two elements will cancel each other, as shown in equation (A30). Therefore, summing up equation (A26) over all trading partners r and t , but not over sectors, the positive and negative terms will

not cancel out, as in equation (A27). This means $\sum_{r \neq s}^G EEG_B^{sr}$ is also not equal to the sum of

$\sum_{r \neq s}^G EEX_B^{sr}$ and $\sum_{r \neq s}^G REE_B^{sr}$ at the country-sector level.

Appendix B Additional empirical results based on WIOD

B1 Who emits CO₂ emissions for whom

Table B1 shows how much CO₂ emissions are induced by different sources of final demand through different routes of supply chains in both 1995 and 2009 for selected large countries. From the upper part of Table B1 we see that China's total production-based CO₂ emissions experienced the largest increase (128%) from 2,723,066 kt in 1995 to 6,213,385 kt followed by India (108%) and the rest of the world (RoW, 37%)¹⁸. For all developed countries, their production-based CO₂ emissions decreased, especially for Germany which had the largest decline of 12%.

Total production-based CO₂ emissions can be decomposed into 5 parts (referring to Figure 1) according to final demand in different segments of global market they satisfied. The structure and changing pattern among these five final demand markets between 1995 and 2009 are shown in the middle and bottom parts of Table B1. Obviously, for all selected countries and for both years, the CO₂ emissions generated by the domestic production of goods and services that sell directly in the domestic market (EH_F) account for the majority of the total emissions, especially for countries with relatively large economic size. This is not surprising because most large countries' production is mainly for domestic use. The interesting thing is that the share of the remaining 4 segments of these final demand markets show a very different pattern across countries. For example, in both 1995 and 2009, the share of China's CO₂ emissions generated by its production of final goods exports (EEX_F1) is the largest when compared to the other selected countries. This implies that China's participation in GVCs is mainly through providing final goods exports and, naturally, relatively more CO₂ emissions are generated by this route. In contrast, Russia's CO₂ emissions generated by foreign final demand are mainly from providing intermediate goods exports (EEX_F2 + EEX_F3). This phenomenon clearly illustrates that a country's production-based CO₂ emissions depend not only on the energy efficiency of its production technology, but also on its position and participation in GVCs. Both Germany and UK have a large portion of their production-based CO₂ emissions that are generated by the production of exports to meet foreign final demand, as China does,

¹⁸The RoW here is not the rest of the selected countries shown in Table 1; it's the original country group of the RoW used in WIOD regarded as a group of all the other developing countries not covered by WIOD.

but with a much higher portion of such emissions generated by the production of intermediate exports. When looking at the changing pattern of the shares between 1995 and 2009 (the bottom right part of Table B1), for most countries except India, EH_F decreased, while other parts normally increased. This reflects the fact that most countries have been involved in GVCs and more of their emissions production is for satisfying final demands in foreign countries. In particular, the increase in the share for EEX_F2 is about 61% (from 9.1% to 14.7%) for China, and 63% (from 13.0% to 21.3%) for Germany. Since both countries have been the main supply hub of intermediate manufacturing goods in international trade, a relatively large portion of CO₂ emissions are naturally generated by this route. The share for EEX_F3 (emissions generated by the production of intermediates that re-exported to third countries) is lower than EEX_F1 and EEX_F2, while its rate of change for all countries is positive and very large. This clearly reflects the increasing complexity of GVCs, since more intermediate goods and services cross national borders more than once and are re-exported to third countries for further processing in the global production networks. In addition, the share for REE_F also experienced a dramatic increase for all selected developing countries, such as China (592%), India (294%) and the RoW (123%), although the absolute level of this share is extremely low. This implies that the final goods imported by China tend to embody more emissions generated by its own intermediate goods exports given its increasing presence in international production networks.

Table B1 CO₂ emissions induced by different segments of global final demand (forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, corresponding to Figure 1)

CO2 Emissions (KT)	1995						2009					
	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	2,126,639	3,196	301,045	249,125	43,061	2,723,066	4,191,734	50,471	891,922	913,035	166,223	6,213,385
IND	607,263	165	39,284	65,961	8,154	720,827	1,266,226	1,356	95,723	116,290	22,214	1,501,809
JPN	874,562	3,068	43,965	90,214	12,458	1,024,267	753,151	3,223	47,700	124,446	25,217	953,737
USA	3,869,470	38,148	142,285	262,327	29,954	4,342,184	3,719,713	29,436	136,290	264,124	38,152	4,187,715
GBR	316,770	2,228	42,859	75,658	13,517	451,032	285,484	2,015	40,381	79,426	14,991	422,297
DEU	542,851	7,014	61,628	94,494	18,717	724,704	383,503	7,692	81,929	135,490	27,695	636,309
RUS	974,488	3,278	48,382	326,921	59,269	1,412,338	926,130	3,731	34,581	360,665	85,379	1,410,486
RoW	2,626,249	30,223	218,217	442,696	59,812	3,377,197	3,341,296	92,569	292,962	784,936	129,232	4,640,995
Share (%)	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	78.1%	0.1%	11.1%	9.1%	1.6%	100.0%	67.5%	0.8%	14.4%	14.7%	2.7%	100.0%
IND	84.2%	0.0%	5.4%	9.2%	1.1%	100.0%	84.3%	0.1%	6.4%	7.7%	1.5%	100.0%
JPN	85.4%	0.3%	4.3%	8.8%	1.2%	100.0%	79.0%	0.3%	5.0%	13.0%	2.6%	100.0%
USA	89.1%	0.9%	3.3%	6.0%	0.7%	100.0%	88.8%	0.7%	3.3%	6.3%	0.9%	100.0%
GBR	70.2%	0.5%	9.5%	16.8%	3.0%	100.0%	67.6%	0.5%	9.6%	18.8%	3.5%	100.0%
DEU	74.9%	1.0%	8.5%	13.0%	2.6%	100.0%	60.3%	1.2%	12.9%	21.3%	4.4%	100.0%
RUS	69.0%	0.2%	3.4%	23.1%	4.2%	100.0%	65.7%	0.3%	2.5%	25.6%	6.1%	100.0%
RoW	77.8%	0.9%	6.5%	13.1%	1.8%	100.0%	72.0%	2.0%	6.3%	16.9%	2.8%	100.0%
Change rate between 1995 and 2009	Change rate of CO2 emissions between 1995 and 2009						Change rate of shares between 1995 and 2009					
	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	97%	1479%	196%	266%	286%	128%	-14%	592%	30%	61%	69%	
IND	109%	722%	144%	76%	172%	108%	0%	294%	17%	-15%	31%	
JPN	-14%	5%	8%	38%	102%	-7%	-8%	13%	17%	48%	117%	
USA	-4%	-23%	-4%	1%	27%	-4%	0%	-20%	-1%	4%	32%	
GBR	-10%	-10%	-6%	5%	11%	-6%	-4%	-3%	1%	12%	18%	
DEU	-29%	10%	33%	43%	48%	-12%	-20%	25%	51%	63%	69%	
RUS	-5%	14%	-29%	10%	44%	0%	-5%	14%	-28%	10%	44%	
RoW	27%	206%	34%	77%	116%	37%	-7%	123%	-2%	29%	57%	

B2 CO₂ emissions generated in domestic and foreign segments of global supply chains

As shown in Figure 2, a country's CO₂ emissions can also be traced along global supply chains in terms of different types of energy source by using the backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition technique. Table B2 shows the decomposition results at the national level (sector aggregation) for selected countries in 1995 and 2009. In absolute terms, in 1995, the US's production of final products, no matter whether they are used domestically or internationally, generates the largest amount of CO₂ emissions (4,423,852 kt). The US is followed by the RoW (3,382,085 kt) and China (2,513,050 kt). This depends both on a country's economic size and on its energy efficiency. In 2009, the situation changed dramatically: with a 125% increase compared to 1995, China becomes the largest emitter, followed by the RoW, the US and India. When looking at the share (the middle part of Table B3), we can see that CO₂ emissions generated in domestic segments of global supply chains accounts for the majority of total induced CO₂ emissions for all selected countries. This can be easily understood since, for most countries, their upstream supply chains are mainly located at home. However, the difference of the share across countries is still significant. For example, more than 20% of CO₂ emissions from Japan's, the UK and Germany's production of final products are generated in foreign segments of global supply chains in 1995. This clearly reflects at least two facts: one is that these countries' supply chains need more foreign intermediate inputs for producing final products, and the other is that much higher CO₂ emission intensity is located in foreign segments of their global supply chains than for the other selected developing countries.

The structure of energy use for producing final products in global supply chains varies across countries. China's and India's CO₂ emissions generated in their domestic supply chains are mainly from the use of coal (76.0% and 64.1% respectively in 1995). This depends not only on their relatively rich endowment of coal, but also on the higher CO₂ emission intensity in production processes using coal. This can also be indirectly confirmed by the fact that most of the CO₂ emissions generated in the foreign segment of Japan's supply chains were from coal in 2009, since most of its foreign upstream industries are located in China, which provides intermediate products mainly by using coal-based energy.

When looking at the pattern of structure changes between 1995 and 2009 (the bottom part of Table B2), some important features emerge. 1) For all selected countries, the share of CO₂ emissions

generated in the domestic segment of their global supply chains declined, especially for China (-6.4%), England (-7.1%), Germany (-7.9%), and the RoW (-8.7%). On the other hand, the share of their foreign segments increased dramatically, especially for China (186%). Since countries tend to use more intermediate imports to make final goods, given the reduction in international trade costs, naturally more CO₂ emissions are generated in foreign segments of supply chains. 2) The share of coal, petroleum, and other energy-based CO₂ emissions generated in the domestic segment decreased, while natural gas and waste-based CO₂ emissions increased between 1995 and 2009. This reflects the fact that more countries are shifting to the usage of relatively low carbon intensity energy in the domestic part of their final goods production. Japan is the only exception, its coal-based CO₂ emissions in domestic segment increased 32.0 % from 1995 to 2009. This is mainly because Japan's energy efficiency is higher even if using coal to generate energy rather than thermal power generation; at the same time, it is cheaper to import coal from neighboring countries, like China which is a coal-rich country. 3) For almost all emission sources, their shares of CO₂ emissions in the foreign segment for all selected countries increased significantly between 1995 and 2009. In this regard, China's change is the most remarkable. This is mainly because China has been both the largest final goods assembler and a producer which also needs to import more components and intermediate inputs produced by foreign countries.

Table B2 CO₂ emissions to produce a final goods and services in global supply chains (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, corresponding to Figure 2)

1995	CO ₂ emissions generated by domestic segment of GVC						CO ₂ emissions generated by foreign segment of GVC						Total	Change rate between 1995 and 2009
CO ₂ emissions (Kt)	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Total	
CHN	1,911,062	293,157	38,157	-	187,373	2,429,749	23,052	31,061	18,937	386	9,865	83,301	2,513,050	
IND	439,230	139,432	24,262	-	43,743	646,667	11,451	12,235	9,829	174	5,027	38,716	685,383	
JPN	236,609	484,494	125,142	2,703	71,315	920,263	95,738	96,867	53,407	664	29,841	276,517	1,196,780	
USA	1,641,832	1,421,481	731,322	35,302	198,759	4,028,696	120,695	139,960	85,996	1,332	47,173	395,156	4,423,852	
GBR	139,308	116,119	71,457	1,191	32,567	360,642	37,565	41,270	24,354	786	10,758	114,733	475,375	
DEU	307,303	197,880	87,580	8,777	6,097	607,637	84,962	73,667	62,218	2,475	27,492	250,814	858,451	
RUS	260,885	215,568	451,172	9,283	87,242	1,024,150	7,602	7,172	4,209	178	3,297	22,458	1,046,608	
RoW	614,637	1,393,462	639,832	3,633	210,533	2,862,097	162,491	232,758	77,264	2,158	45,317	519,988	3,382,085	
Share (%)	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Total	
CHN	76.0%	11.7%	1.5%	0.0%	7.5%	96.7%	0.9%	1.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.4%	3.3%	100.0%	
IND	64.1%	20.3%	3.5%	0.0%	6.4%	94.4%	1.7%	1.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.7%	5.6%	100.0%	
JPN	19.8%	40.5%	10.5%	0.2%	6.0%	76.9%	8.0%	8.1%	4.5%	0.1%	2.5%	23.1%	100.0%	
USA	37.1%	32.1%	16.5%	0.8%	4.5%	91.1%	2.7%	3.2%	1.9%	0.0%	1.1%	8.9%	100.0%	
GBR	29.3%	24.4%	15.0%	0.3%	6.9%	75.9%	7.9%	8.7%	5.1%	0.2%	2.3%	24.1%	100.0%	
DEU	35.8%	23.1%	10.2%	1.0%	0.7%	70.8%	9.9%	8.6%	7.2%	0.3%	3.2%	29.2%	100.0%	
RUS	24.9%	20.6%	43.1%	0.9%	8.3%	97.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	2.1%	100.0%	
RoW	18.2%	41.2%	18.9%	0.1%	6.2%	84.6%	4.8%	6.9%	2.3%	0.1%	1.3%	15.4%	100.0%	
2009	CO ₂ emissions generated by domestic segment of GVC						CO ₂ emissions generated by foreign segment of GVC						Total	
CO ₂ emissions (Kt)	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Total	
CHN	4,098,564	552,773	142,473	0	326,088	5,119,898	161,716	170,108	146,806	3,421	54,990	537,041	5,656,939	125%
IND	952,788	244,857	79,460	0	85,728	1,362,833	57,762	36,723	32,685	510	13,875	141,555	1,504,388	119%
JPN	274,427	306,539	168,896	7,356	45,322	802,540	101,801	73,519	53,700	749	19,254	249,023	1,051,563	-12%
USA	1,632,018	1,259,978	798,603	53,355	126,083	3,870,037	238,903	160,596	136,688	2,075	55,471	593,733	4,463,770	1%
GBR	89,744	85,842	101,247	3,575	46,391	326,799	51,785	41,930	31,504	1,254	10,389	136,862	463,661	-2%
DEU	214,441	146,990	85,506	21,330	278	468,545	98,039	67,708	57,925	2,050	24,767	250,489	719,034	-16%
RUS	197,522	174,079	468,240	12,910	109,339	962,090	15,567	9,588	5,938	277	3,671	35,041	997,131	-5%
RoW	761,424	1,644,039	1,048,100	6,930	230,144	3,690,637	455,449	395,188	155,364	6,249	72,088	1,084,338	4,774,975	41%
Share (%)	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Total	
CHN	72.5%	9.8%	2.5%	0.0%	5.8%	90.5%	2.9%	3.0%	2.6%	0.1%	1.0%	9.5%	100.0%	
IND	63.3%	16.3%	5.3%	0.0%	5.7%	90.6%	3.8%	2.4%	2.2%	0.0%	0.9%	9.4%	100.0%	
JPN	26.1%	29.2%	16.1%	0.7%	4.3%	76.3%	9.7%	7.0%	5.1%	0.1%	1.8%	23.7%	100.0%	
USA	36.6%	28.2%	17.9%	1.2%	2.8%	86.7%	5.4%	3.6%	3.1%	0.0%	1.2%	13.3%	100.0%	
GBR	19.4%	18.5%	21.8%	0.8%	10.0%	70.5%	11.2%	9.0%	6.8%	0.3%	2.2%	29.5%	100.0%	
DEU	29.8%	20.4%	11.9%	3.0%	0.0%	65.2%	13.6%	9.4%	8.1%	0.3%	3.4%	34.8%	100.0%	
RUS	19.8%	17.5%	47.0%	1.3%	11.0%	96.5%	1.6%	1.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.4%	3.5%	100.0%	
RoW	15.9%	34.4%	21.9%	0.1%	4.8%	77.3%	9.5%	8.3%	3.3%	0.1%	1.5%	22.7%	100.0%	
Change rate of the share between 1995 and 2009 (%)	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Coal	Petroleum	Gas	Waste	Other	Subtotal	Total	
CHN	-4.7%	-16.2%	65.9%	-	-22.7%	-6.4%	211.6%	143.3%	244.4%	293.7%	147.6%	186.4%	0.0%	
IND	-1.2%	-20.0%	49.2%	-	-10.7%	-4.0%	129.8%	36.7%	51.5%	33.5%	25.7%	66.6%	0.0%	
JPN	32.0%	-28.0%	53.6%	209.7%	-27.7%	-0.7%	21.0%	-13.6%	14.4%	28.4%	-26.6%	2.5%	0.0%	
USA	-1.5%	-12.2%	8.2%	49.8%	-37.1%	-4.8%	96.2%	13.7%	57.5%	54.4%	16.5%	48.9%	0.0%	
GBR	-34.0%	-24.2%	45.3%	207.8%	46.0%	-7.1%	41.3%	4.2%	32.6%	63.6%	-1.0%	22.3%	0.0%	
DEU	-16.7%	-11.3%	16.6%	190.1%	-94.6%	-7.9%	37.8%	9.7%	11.2%	-1.1%	7.6%	19.2%	0.0%	
RUS	-20.5%	-15.2%	8.9%	46.0%	31.5%	-1.4%	114.9%	40.3%	48.1%	63.3%	16.9%	63.8%	0.0%	
RoW	-12.3%	-16.4%	16.0%	35.1%	-22.6%	-8.7%	98.5%	20.3%	42.4%	105.1%	12.7%	47.7%	0.0%	

B3 CO₂ emissions induced by the production of gross exports for selected countries

As shown in Figure 3, when applying the backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition technique, it can identify who emits CO₂ emissions for whom to what extent in the production of gross exports. Table B3 reports the decomposition results for selected countries at the national level for both 1995 and 2009. In absolute terms, the RoW's gross exports induce the largest amount of CO₂ emissions (869,561 kt) in 1995 followed by China (717,838 kt) and the US (531,191 kt). The total CO₂ emissions can be separated into domestic and foreign parts. The majority of induced CO₂ emissions in producing exports were from the domestic side for all selected countries. However, if a country, in producing exports, has a relatively large part of the upstream production process outside its territory, the share of foreign CO₂ emissions could be large, as for Germany (33%), England (24%) and Japan (20%). Both the domestic part and the foreign part can be further divided into 4 parts, each based on different supply chain routes and types of final consumer. Obviously, in 1995, 97% of CO₂ emissions embodied in China's gross exports is from the domestic side, in which 49% is for fulfilling final demand of trading partners who directly import goods from China; 35% is for fulfilling China's trading partners' demands for intermediate inputs in their production of domestically consumed goods and services; 13% is for fulfilling third countries' final demands by providing intermediate goods to China's trading partners for their production of exports to third countries; just 1% is for fulfilling China's own final demand by re-importing what has been exported. For most countries, except China, their domestic CO₂ emissions embodied in gross exports come mainly through trade in intermediate goods (parts 2, 3, 4). For Part 4, the figure for the US is larger than all other countries. This is mainly because the US re-imports a relatively large part of its own intermediate goods that have first been exported to global supply chains. For the foreign CO₂ emissions in producing gross exports, Germany shows the largest figure, in which parts 7 and 8 account for 17% and 15%, respectively. This indicates that 17% of the total CO₂ emissions embodied in Germany's gross exports is from third countries which export intermediate goods to Germany for Germany's further production of final goods for export to its trading partners. On the other hand, 15% of the total CO₂ emissions embodied in Germany's gross exports is from third countries that export intermediate goods to Germany, which uses these goods to produce further intermediate goods and exports to its trading partners for making domestically consumed final goods and services. Part 5 shows the CO₂ emissions induced in Germany's trading partner countries that provide intermediate goods to Germany for its production of final goods which are finally consumed in its trading partner countries. Part 6 shows the CO₂ emissions induced in Germany's trading partners which provide intermediate goods to Germany for further processing into intermediate exports, which are imported by Germany's trading partners for

producing domestically used final goods and services. Together parts 5 and 6 account for just 1%, since this kind of feedback effect in international production networks is normally small.

In order to investigate the structural changes of gross-export-based CO₂ emissions between 1995 and 2009 across different routes, we calculate the rate of change for both the absolute CO₂ emissions figure and the corresponding share and show the results in the bottom two parts of Table B3. We see the following three features. 1) The induced CO₂ emissions in gross exports for all developing countries, such as China (262%), India (128%), and the RoW (85%), experienced a more rapid increase than developed countries. Given the decreasing CO₂ intensity, both for developing countries and developed countries from 1995 to 2009, the most important driving factor for this change should be the rapid increase of gross exports produced by developing countries. For England and the USA, there are only 1% and 5% increases, respectively. Japan and Germany also experienced 37% and 48% increases, respectively. Although both of them have been service oriented economies, they still play an important role as two large trade hubs of intermediate goods in global supply chains. 2) When looking at the change of share, we see that the share of domestic CO₂ emissions in producing exports decreased for all countries, while the share of foreign CO₂ emissions increased for most countries, except England. This indirectly reflects the fact that most countries are getting to use more intermediate imports to produce their exports. As a result, relatively more CO₂ emissions are induced internationally rather than domestically in producing exports. 3) Looking at the changing pattern for each part, we see that parts 3, 7 and 8 have a relatively large absolute share and also show a positive change of their shares between 1995 and 2009. Therefore, these parts can be considered the main leading factors that cause both the increase in the absolute emissions and the share of total gross-export-based CO₂ emissions for all countries. All these three parts are related to the third country effects in our decomposition. This implies that the increasing complexity of global supply chains is often associated with a corresponding increase of CO₂ emissions.

Table B3 CO₂ emissions in the production of gross exports (backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition, corresponding to Figure 3)

		1995										
CO2 emissions (KT)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in producing exports					Total	
	part 1	part 2	part 3	part 4	subtotal	part 5	part 6	part 7	part 8	subtotal		
CHN	301,045	214,501	77,685	3,196	596,427	1,241	940	12,392	6,839	21,411	617,838	
IND	39,284	58,469	15,646	165	113,563	211	335	2,117	2,537	5,200	118,763	
JPN	43,965	78,316	24,356	3,068	149,705	1,933	3,015	14,999	18,493	38,439	188,144	
USA	142,285	228,543	63,738	38,148	472,714	3,176	4,034	25,195	26,072	58,477	531,191	
GBR	42,859	61,174	28,001	2,228	134,262	1,784	1,973	20,562	17,855	42,174	176,436	
DEU	61,628	76,173	37,038	7,014	181,853	2,924	2,586	45,228	40,108	90,846	272,700	
RUS	48,382	260,126	126,064	3,278	437,850	85	286	993	3,679	5,043	442,893	
RoW	218,217	382,331	120,177	30,223	750,948	5,530	5,760	50,908	56,416	118,613	869,561	
Share (%)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in supplying imported inputs					Total	
CHN	49%	35%	13%	1%	97%	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	100%	
IND	33%	49%	13%	0%	96%	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	100%	
JPN	23%	42%	13%	2%	80%	1%	2%	8%	10%	20%	100%	
USA	27%	43%	12%	7%	89%	1%	1%	5%	5%	11%	100%	
GBR	24%	35%	16%	1%	76%	1%	1%	12%	10%	24%	100%	
DEU	23%	28%	14%	3%	67%	1%	1%	17%	15%	33%	100%	
RUS	11%	59%	28%	1%	99%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	100%	
RoW	25%	44%	14%	3%	86%	1%	1%	6%	6%	14%	100%	
		2009										
CO2 emissions (KT)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in producing exports					Total	
	part 1	part 2	part 3	part 4	subtotal	part 5	part 6	part 7	part 8	subtotal		
CHN	891,922	764,257	315,000	50,471	2,021,650	16,375	15,473	109,535	75,942	217,325	2,238,975	
IND	95,723	92,687	45,817	1,356	235,583	2,634	2,029	21,564	9,298	35,524	271,107	
JPN	47,700	98,451	51,212	3,223	200,586	3,276	7,268	19,022	27,921	57,487	258,073	
USA	136,290	220,410	81,866	29,436	468,002	5,376	7,886	36,705	39,913	89,880	557,881	
GBR	40,381	62,046	32,372	2,015	136,814	1,592	2,249	19,409	18,977	42,227	179,040	
DEU	81,929	105,433	57,752	7,692	252,806	5,599	6,615	75,059	63,183	150,456	403,262	
RUS	34,581	254,843	191,202	3,731	484,356	143	591	919	4,147	5,800	490,157	
RoW	292,962	658,916	255,252	92,569	1,299,699	8,670	18,993	120,711	157,417	305,791	1,605,490	
Share (%)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in supplying imported inputs					Total	
CHN	40%	34%	14%	2%	90%	1%	1%	5%	3%	10%	100%	
IND	35%	34%	17%	1%	87%	1%	1%	8%	3%	13%	100%	
JPN	18%	38%	20%	1%	78%	1%	3%	7%	11%	22%	100%	
USA	24%	40%	15%	5%	84%	1%	1%	7%	7%	16%	100%	
GBR	23%	35%	18%	1%	76%	1%	1%	11%	11%	24%	100%	
DEU	20%	26%	14%	2%	63%	1%	2%	19%	16%	37%	100%	
RUS	7%	52%	39%	1%	99%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	100%	
RoW	18%	41%	16%	6%	81%	1%	1%	8%	10%	19%	100%	
		Between 1995 and 2009										
Change rate of CO2 emissions (%)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in supplying imported inputs					Total	
	part 1	part 2	part 3	part 4	subtotal	part 5	part 6	part 7	part 8	subtotal		
CHN	196%	256%	305%	1479%	239%	1220%	1547%	784%	1010%	915%	262%	
IND	144%	59%	193%	722%	107%	1151%	506%	919%	266%	583%	128%	
JPN	8%	26%	110%	5%	34%	69%	141%	27%	51%	50%	37%	
USA	-4%	-4%	28%	-23%	-1%	69%	95%	46%	53%	54%	5%	
GBR	-6%	1%	16%	-10%	2%	-11%	14%	-6%	6%	0%	1%	
DEU	33%	38%	56%	10%	39%	91%	156%	66%	58%	66%	48%	
RUS	-29%	-2%	52%	14%	11%	69%	106%	-7%	13%	15%	11%	
RoW	34%	72%	112%	206%	73%	57%	230%	137%	179%	158%	85%	
Change rate of share (%)	Domestic CO2 emissions in producing exports					Foreign CO2 emissions in supplying imported inputs					Total	
	part 1	part 2	part 3	part 4	subtotal	part 5	part 6	part 7	part 8	subtotal		
CHN	-18%	-2%	12%	336%	-6%	264%	354%	144%	206%	180%		
IND	7%	-31%	28%	260%	-9%	448%	165%	346%	61%	199%		
JPN	-21%	-8%	53%	-23%	-2%	24%	76%	-8%	10%	9%		
USA	-9%	-8%	22%	-27%	-6%	61%	86%	39%	46%	46%		
GBR	-7%	0%	14%	-11%	0%	-12%	12%	-7%	5%	-1%		
DEU	-10%	-6%	5%	-26%	-6%	29%	73%	12%	7%	12%		
RUS	-35%	-11%	37%	3%	0%	53%	87%	-16%	2%	4%		
RoW	-27%	-7%	15%	66%	-6%	-15%	79%	28%	51%	40%		

B4 The potential environmental cost of value-added trade

As discussed in the main text, in our decomposition frameworks, both value-added and embodied emissions can be traced simultaneously. When dividing the induced value added by induced CO₂ emissions, the potential environmental cost can be easily obtained. As an example, we apply this idea to the forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition (Figure 1) to show the relationship between trade in value added and trade in CO₂ emissions.

Table B4 The potential environmental cost of trade in value added (using forward industrial-linkage-based decomposition)

1995						
CO2 emissions/value-added (KT/Million US\$)	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	3.6	4.6	3.9	4.6	4.3	3.7
IND	1.8	3.5	2.5	3.4	3.1	1.9
JPN	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
USA	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6
GBR	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.4
DEU	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3
RUS	3.9	5.9	4.2	6.0	6.4	4.4
RoW	1.0	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.1
2009						
CO2 emissions/value-added (KT/Million US\$)	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.7	2.6	2.2
IND	1.6	2.7	1.8	2.2	2.3	1.6
JPN	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
USA	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
GBR	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
DEU	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
RUS	2.4	4.3	3.0	4.1	4.1	2.8
RoW	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.8
between 1995 and 2009						
Change rate (%)	EH_F	REE_F	EEX_F1	EEX_F2	EEX_F3	Sum
CHN	-41%	-40%	-40%	-42%	-40%	-40%
IND	-13%	-24%	-28%	-35%	-23%	-16%
JPN	-13%	-4%	0%	0%	2%	-8%
USA	-31%	-27%	-23%	-29%	-29%	-31%
GBR	-33%	-36%	-9%	-33%	-34%	-31%
DEU	-32%	-24%	-22%	-24%	-27%	-26%
RUS	-39%	-27%	-29%	-31%	-35%	-36%
RoW	-25%	-34%	-24%	-29%	-27%	-24%

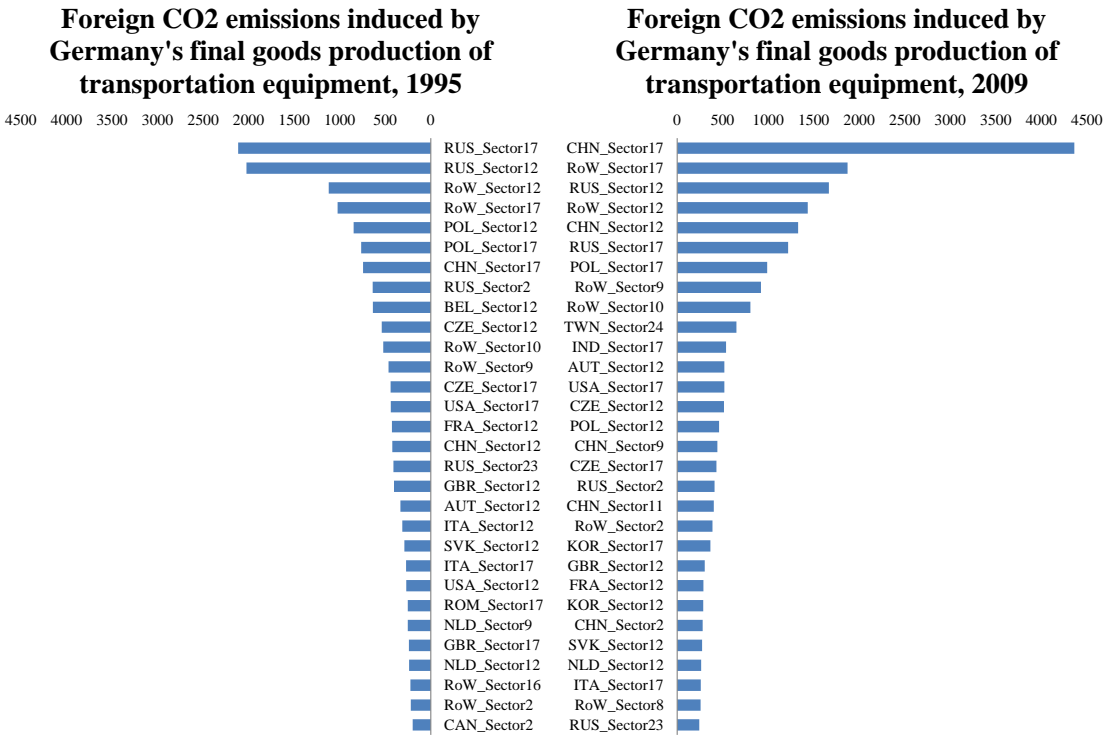
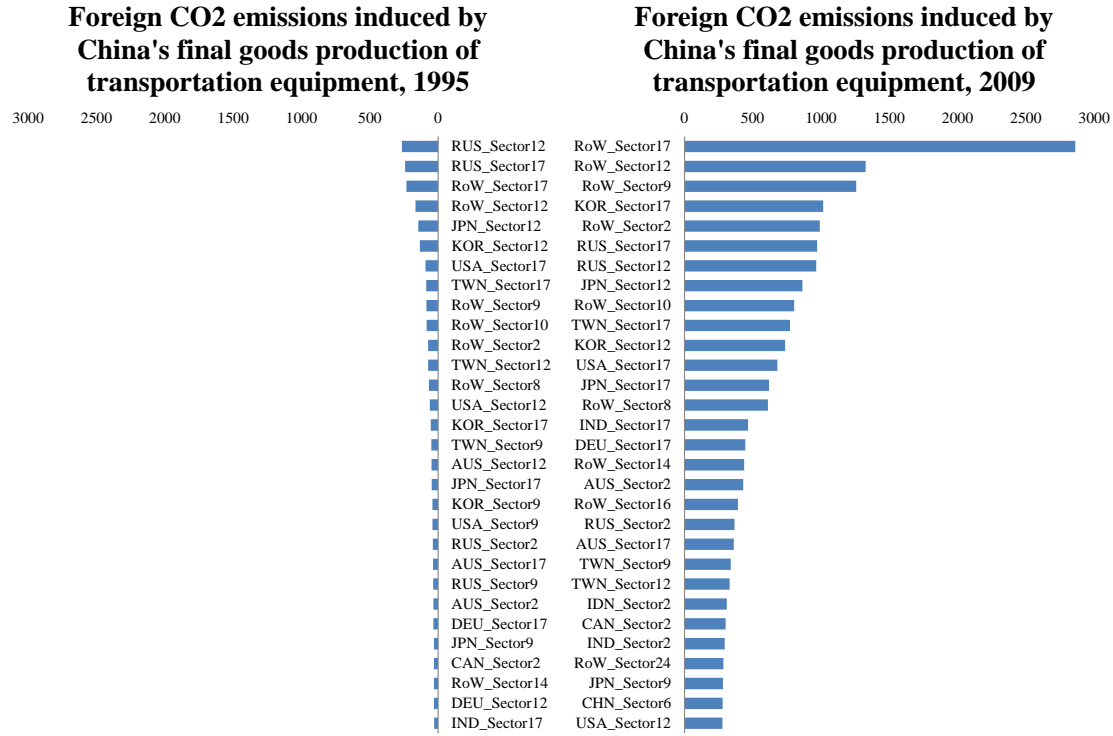
The main results are shown in Table B4. In general, the environmental cost for producing domestic value added without international trade (referring to EH_F) for all countries is lower than that of producing domestic value added through international trade. This implies that the value-added gain by international trade may be through a high-carbon process, which indirectly reflects the fact of carbon leakage across countries due to trade. At the country level, Russia shows the highest environmental cost (4.4 kt/million US\$) followed by China (3.7 kt/million US\$) in 1995, which are, respectively 18.5 and 22.0, times more costly than Japan (0.2 kt/million US\$). In 2009, for all countries, a cost decrease can be observed, especially for China (-40%) and Russia (-36%). Energy efficiency changes and emissions-related regulation conducted both domestically and internationally can be considered as the main driving factors of this decline. However, the situation regarding carbon leakage shows no significant change, since the environmental cost for getting value added by international trade is still higher than that for pure domestic production in 2009.

B5 CO₂ emissions generated in the foreign segment of global supply chains by specific products

The backward industrial-linkage-based decomposition technique can help us trace the CO₂ emissions in supply chains at the detailed sector level for production of a specific final good in a particular country. As an example, Figure B1 shows the foreign sectors with the largest CO₂ emissions (top 30 out of 1435 sectors across all WIOD countries) in China's and Germany's Transportation Equipment supply chains for both 1995 and 2009. The major features can be summarized as follows. 1) The most intensive emitters of upstream countries in both countries' Transportation Equipment supply chains are from their neighboring countries. This is not surprising, since parts and components for producing cars follow the so-called just-in-time production system and trade costs across countries is one of the most important factors that affect the choice of production locations. It is, therefore, reasonable to build supply chains regionally rather than globally. 2) For both China and Germany, the most intensive foreign sector emitters in their Transportation Equipment supply chains are sectors 17 (Electricity, Gas and Water Supply), 12 (Basic Metals and Fabricated Metal), 9 (Chemicals and Chemical Products), and 2 (Mining and Quarrying). This depends on how close and strong the upstream sector links with the final product of transportation equipment, as well as the intensity of the CO₂ emissions arising from the production of parts and components directly and indirectly in the relevant upstream sectors. 3) Dramatic changes occur in the rankings of upstream countries and sectors during the 15 year sample period. This reflects the evolution of competitiveness not only in the quality and price of an upstream country or sector's

intermediate goods in supply chains, but also on their energy efficiency. 4) The foreign segments in German car production are greener than those of China.

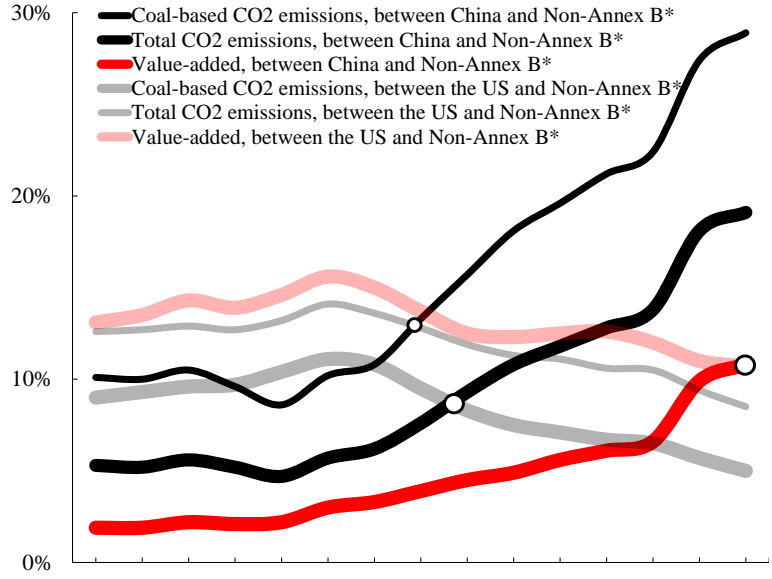
Figure B1 Foreign sectoral CO₂ emissions (top 30 sectors) induced by a specific country's production of final goods (Transportation Equipment) in global supply chains



B6 Impacts of bilateral trade on CO2 emissions

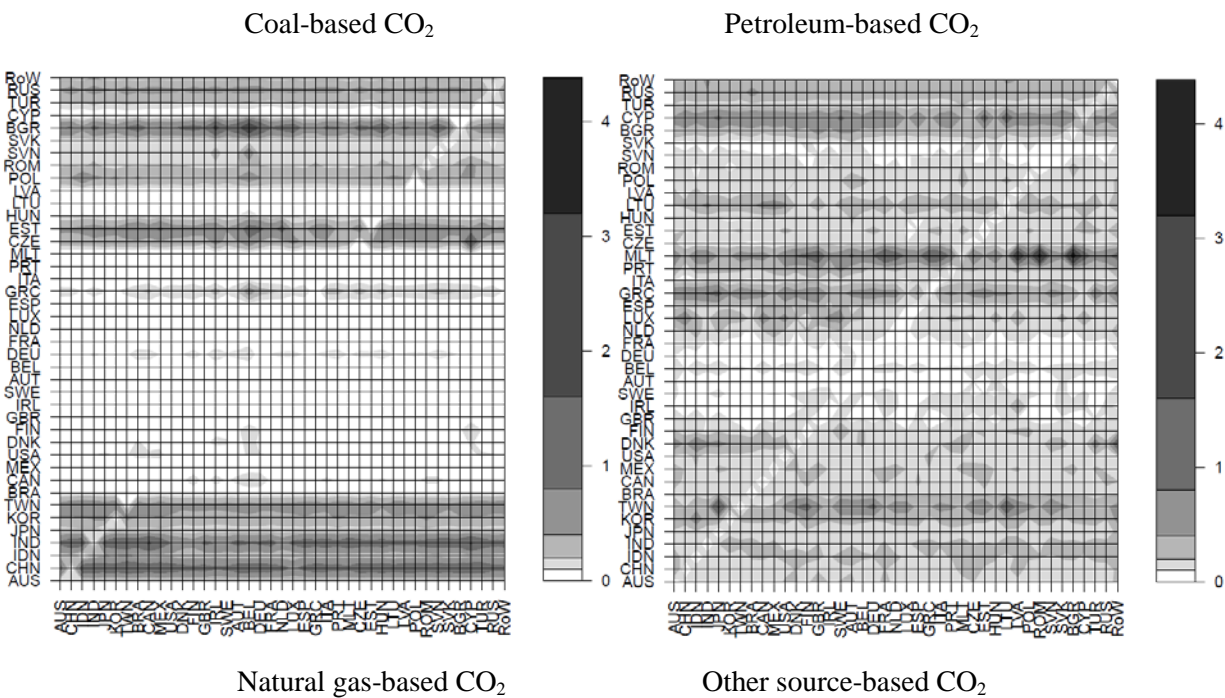
In order to elucidate how bilateral trade flows between China and Non-Annex B* countries impact on the global environment, the use of EEG_B measure should be a better choice. As we discussed in section 2, EEG_B is a production side concept, only concern the amount of emission generated by the production of a particular bilateral trade flow regardless where these traded products and services were consumed, so the emissions embodied in intermediate exports but final return to the source country are included. Figure B2 compares both the share of value-added and CO2 emission embodied in the bilateral trade between China and the US with Non-Annex B* countries as a share of GDP or emissions embodied in global trade respectively. It clearly shows that there are opposite trends for China-Non-Annex B* and US- Non-Annex B* bilateral flows. The embodied CO2 emissions share for China-Non-Annex B* countries experiences significant growth (from 5% to 19%), while the share of the US- Non-Annex B* countries has been in decline (from 13% to 9%). More remarkable difference can be observed in the share of coal based embodied CO2 emissions, which the share of China-Non-Annex B* countries increased from 10% to 29%, but the share of US- Non-Annex B* countries has decreased from 9% to 5% over the same period. This clearly indicates that the bilateral trade flows between China and Non-Annex B* countries became darker and darker over last two decades, increasingly became the major source of “carbon leakage” in the global production and trading system.

Figure B2 Embodied CO2 emissions in bilateral trade between China (US) and Non-Annex B* countries as a share of total embodied CO2 emissions in global trade



Note: Non-Annex B* excludes China.

Figure B3 The potential environmental costs at the bilateral level for different energy sources (2009, kt/million US\$)



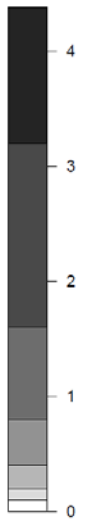
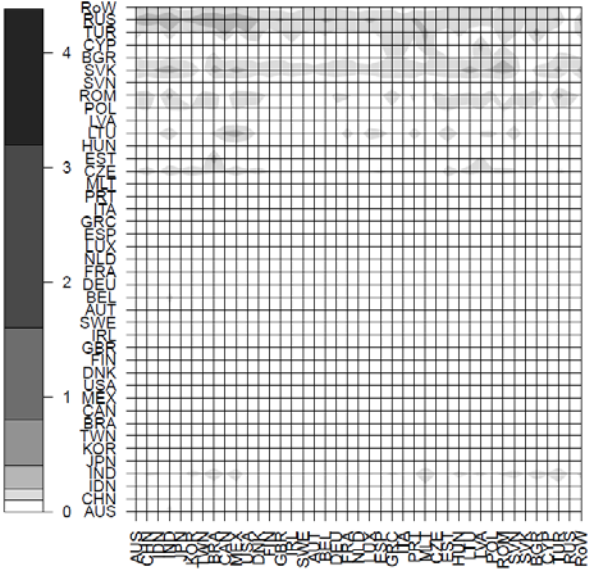
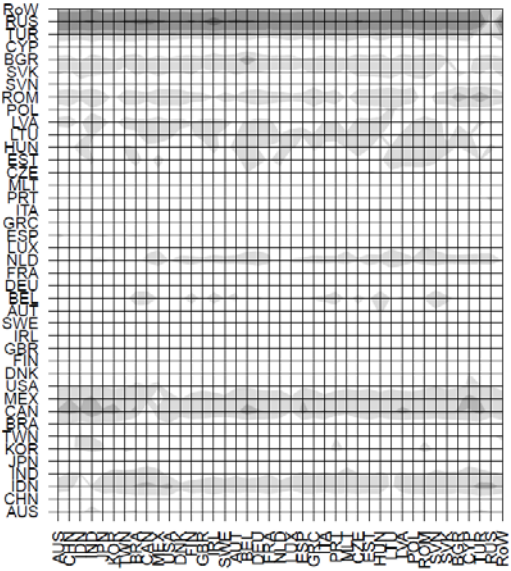


Table B5 The relationships among different measures of embodied CO₂ emissions and their applications

Level	Indicators	EEX	EEX_F	EEX_B	REE_F	REE_B	EEG_F	EEG_B	EEX_F+REE_F	EEX_B+REE_B
	Example									
Bilateral-sector	(China→Japan, WIOD14)	38,634	867	39,206	31	1,395	880	39,427	898	40,601
Bilateral Aggregate	(China→Japan)	147,839	147,022	147,022	4,645	4,645	152,256	152,256	151,667	151,667
Country-Sector	(China→World, WIOD14)	557,698	12,463	557,698	428	19,804	12,891	574,614	12,891	577,502
Country Aggregate	(China→World)	1,971,179	1,971,179	1,971,179	50,471	50,471	2,021,650	2,021,650	2,021,650	2,021,650

Appendix C

C1 Sharing emission responsibility between producers and consumers along GVCs

A number of papers have discussed sharing responsibility between producers and consumers (Feng, 2003; Bastianoni et al., 2004; Rodrigues et al., 2006; Lenzen et al., 2007; Peters, 2008; Cadarso et al., 2012). However, two important problems remain unsolved. One is about how to correctly identify a country's pure self-responsibility of emissions along GVCs. Without a correct measure on this part, we even not able to know the amount of emission should be shared among related parties. This problem has been solved in our paper (see the first part in Equation 11). The pure self-responsibility of emissions is defined as the emissions generated in production of domestic consumed final goods and services without through any route of international trade (Part 1 in Figure 1). Another unsolved issue is about how to find an objective weight to share responsibility between producers and consumers. Lenzen et al. (2007) proposes to use value added as a weight, Cadarso et al., (2012) also follow this idea. However, there is an endogeneity problem due to value-added production is not independent to the emission level. In order to share responsibility more reasonably, we propose a new way to first measure the carbon leakage from both producers and consumer's perspectives based on the following hypothesis: if a country wants to keep its current final demand level in an autarky world, its emissions are defined as the emissions that this country just uses domestic production technology without importing any intermediate inputs to fulfill the same level of final demand as international trade exists. Compared this autarky emissions with both current production based and consumption based emissions, two indicators can be computed: production based carbon leakage and consumption based carbon leakage. These two indicators can be considered the carbon leakage that the country should take responsibility as a producer and a consumer respectively, thus the weight of shared responsibility can be obtained (for definition in mathematical terms and algorithm, refer to Appendix C2). Table 2 shows the results of shared emissions responsibility between producers and consumers for 41 economies in 2009. In the extreme case, that all responsibility goes to producers, China accounts for 29.8% followed by the RoW (19.2%), Russia (7.1%), the US (6.9%), Germany (3.7) and Korea (3.3%),. If all responsibility goes to consumers, the RoW accounts for 22.8% followed by the

US (16.1%), China (7.9%), Germany (6.0%), and Japan (5.8%). Based on the shared responsibility we proposed, China should take 22.3%, the RoW 17.7%, the US 11.8%, Russia 7.1%, and Germany 4.4%.

Table C1 Shared responsibility of CO2 emissions along GVCs by country in 2009

2009 unit: Kt	Production based emissions	Consumption based emissions	Autarky Emissions	Production-based leakage	Consumption-based leakage	Production-based contribution to carbon leakage by country	Consumption-based contribution to carbon leakage by country	Share of Responsibility as producer	Share of Responsibility as consumer	Self-responsibility	Production based emissions should be shared	Consumption based emissions should be shared	Production based responsibility only	Consumption based responsibility only	Shared Production based responsibility	Shared Consumption based responsibility	Final responsibility by country	Final responsibility by country
	PP	PC	AE	CLP=PP-AE	CLC=PC-AE	CLPS	CLCS	CLPS/(CLPS+CLCS)	CLCS/(CLPS+CLCS)	SE	PPT=PP-SE	PCT=PC-SE	share of PPT by country	share of PCT by country	FSP	FSC	FS	share
AUS	364,325	414,091	311,892	52,433	102,199	1.1%	2.1%	33.9%	66.1%	277,544	86,781	136,547	1.3%	2.0%	24,576	75,370	99,946	1.5%
AUT	47,928	81,033	28,543	19,385	52,490	0.4%	1.1%	27.0%	73.0%	22,271	25,657	58,762	0.4%	0.9%	5,779	35,840	41,619	0.8%
BEL	91,053	116,888	48,898	42,155	67,990	0.8%	1.4%	38.3%	61.7%	34,114	56,939	82,774	0.8%	1.2%	18,200	42,672	60,872	0.9%
BGR	41,684	33,288	28,097	13,587	5,191	0.3%	0.1%	72.4%	27.6%	21,671	20,013	11,617	0.3%	0.2%	12,094	2,682	14,776	0.2%
BRA	251,288	306,481	218,098	33,190	88,383	0.7%	1.8%	27.3%	72.7%	207,891	43,397	98,590	0.6%	1.5%	9,895	59,859	69,754	1.0%
CAN	439,065	477,170	327,793	111,272	149,377	2.2%	3.0%	42.7%	57.3%	286,630	152,435	190,540	2.2%	2.8%	54,348	91,198	145,546	2.1%
CHN	6,213,385	4,725,895	4,429,743	1,783,642	296,152	35.9%	6.0%	85.8%	14.2%	4,191,734	2,021,651	534,161	29.8%	7.9%	1,447,984	63,524	1,511,508	22.3%
CYP	6,713	9,658	8,069	-1,356	1,589	0.0%	0.0%	-582.0%	682.0%	5,524	1,189	4,134	0.0%	0.1%	-5,779	23,546	17,767	0.3%
CZE	96,801	88,508	64,332	32,469	24,176	0.7%	0.5%	57.3%	42.7%	53,311	43,490	35,197	0.6%	0.5%	20,819	12,546	33,365	0.5%
DEU	636,309	793,786	453,403	182,906	340,383	3.7%	6.9%	35.0%	65.0%	383,503	252,806	410,283	3.7%	6.0%	73,798	222,885	296,682	4.4%
DNK	78,220	58,506	26,864	51,356	31,642	1.0%	0.6%	61.9%	38.1%	22,227	55,993	36,279	0.8%	0.5%	28,935	11,551	40,486	0.8%
ESP	230,728	313,198	188,144	42,584	125,054	0.9%	2.5%	25.4%	74.6%	162,766	67,962	150,432	1.0%	2.2%	14,418	93,721	108,139	1.6%
EST	14,245	11,215	11,001	3,244	214	0.1%	0.0%	93.8%	6.2%	7,475	6,770	3,740	0.1%	0.1%	5,304	193	5,498	0.1%
FIN	55,188	64,203	37,860	17,328	26,343	0.3%	0.5%	39.7%	60.3%	32,693	22,495	31,510	0.3%	0.5%	7,454	15,874	23,328	0.3%
FRA	260,360	434,683	206,686	53,674	227,997	1.1%	4.6%	19.1%	80.9%	175,568	84,792	259,115	1.2%	3.8%	13,494	175,166	188,660	2.8%
GBR	422,297	534,319	363,812	58,485	170,507	1.2%	3.4%	25.5%	74.5%	285,484	136,813	248,835	2.0%	3.7%	29,182	154,741	183,923	2.7%
GRC	93,776	124,461	91,941	1,835	32,520	0.0%	0.7%	5.3%	94.7%	78,452	15,324	46,009	0.2%	0.7%	684	36,373	37,056	0.5%
HUN	41,606	48,237	27,704	13,902	20,533	0.3%	0.4%	40.4%	59.6%	22,468	19,138	25,769	0.3%	0.4%	6,453	12,833	19,285	0.3%
IDN	331,193	323,133	257,954	73,239	65,179	1.5%	1.3%	52.9%	47.1%	245,345	85,848	77,788	1.3%	1.1%	37,936	30,591	68,527	1.0%
IND	1,501,808	1,458,813	1,330,284	171,524	128,529	3.5%	2.6%	57.2%	42.8%	1,266,226	235,582	192,587	3.5%	2.8%	112,471	68,897	181,368	2.7%
IRL	27,569	47,161	20,326	7,243	26,835	0.1%	0.5%	21.3%	78.7%	15,954	11,615	31,207	0.2%	0.5%	2,062	20,524	22,586	0.3%
ITA	329,336	459,195	268,285	61,051	190,910	1.2%	3.8%	24.2%	75.8%	237,923	91,413	221,272	1.3%	3.3%	18,499	140,021	158,519	2.3%
JPN	953,737	1,147,716	800,104	153,633	347,612	3.1%	7.0%	30.7%	69.3%	753,151	200,586	394,565	3.0%	5.8%	51,346	228,525	279,871	4.1%
KOR	532,878	469,954	341,918	190,960	128,036	3.8%	2.6%	59.9%	40.1%	310,646	222,232	159,308	3.3%	2.3%	111,105	53,402	164,507	2.4%
LTU	11,527	16,407	7,929	3,598	8,478	0.1%	0.2%	29.8%	70.2%	5,908	5,619	10,499	0.1%	0.2%	1,398	6,156	7,554	0.1%
LUX	3,039	7,169	1,461	1,578	5,708	0.0%	0.1%	21.7%	78.3%	1,197	1,842	5,972	0.0%	0.1%	333	3,907	4,240	0.1%
LVA	7,181	9,910	5,233	1,948	4,677	0.0%	0.1%	29.4%	70.6%	4,399	2,782	5,511	0.0%	0.1%	683	3,249	3,932	0.1%
MEX	351,280	384,635	303,997	47,283	80,638	1.0%	1.6%	37.0%	63.0%	278,366	72,914	106,269	1.1%	1.6%	22,508	55,947	78,455	1.2%
MLT	2,514	3,448	2,330	184	1,118	0.0%	0.0%	14.1%	85.9%	1,533	981	1,915	0.0%	0.0%	116	1,373	1,489	0.0%
NLD	166,194	179,325	86,684	79,510	92,641	1.6%	1.9%	46.2%	53.8%	69,900	96,294	109,425	1.4%	1.6%	37,143	49,179	86,322	1.3%
POL	275,037	251,284	213,241	61,796	38,043	1.2%	0.8%	61.9%	38.1%	187,194	87,843	64,090	1.3%	0.9%	45,408	20,395	65,804	1.0%
PRT	52,180	63,485	42,613	9,567	20,872	0.2%	0.4%	31.4%	68.6%	36,027	16,153	27,458	0.2%	0.4%	4,240	15,724	19,964	0.3%
ROM	76,798	82,187	63,099	13,699	19,088	0.3%	0.4%	41.8%	58.2%	56,019	20,779	26,168	0.3%	0.4%	7,251	12,723	19,974	0.3%
RUS	1,410,486	1,037,438	1,099,441	311,045	-62,003	6.3%	-1.2%	124.9%	-24.9%	926,130	484,356	111,308	7.1%	1.6%	505,227	-23,144	482,082	7.1%
SVK	33,179	34,703	19,685	13,494	15,018	0.3%	0.3%	52.7%	47.3%	14,598	18,581	20,105	0.3%	0.3%	7,344	8,844	16,188	0.2%
SVN	13,042	16,324	8,319	4,723	8,005	0.1%	0.2%	37.1%	62.9%	6,825	6,217	9,499	0.1%	0.1%	1,927	4,989	6,916	0.1%
SWE	47,351	74,119	28,143	19,208	45,976	0.4%	0.9%	29.5%	70.5%	21,842	25,509	52,277	0.4%	0.8%	6,278	30,794	37,072	0.5%
TUR	239,608	269,083	198,350	41,258	70,733	0.8%	1.4%	36.8%	63.2%	185,151	54,457	83,932	0.8%	1.2%	16,755	44,273	61,028	0.9%
TWN	290,360	198,033	150,726	139,634	47,307	2.8%	1.0%	74.7%	25.3%	129,888	160,472	68,145	2.4%	1.0%	100,105	14,402	114,507	1.7%
USA	4,187,715	4,812,099	3,958,044	229,671	854,055	4.6%	17.2%	21.2%	78.8%	3,719,713	468,002	1,092,386	6.9%	16.1%	82,833	718,974	801,807	11.8%
Row	4,640,995	4,888,737	3,821,591	819,404	1,087,146	16.5%	21.5%	43.4%	56.6%	3,341,296	1,299,699	1,547,441	19.2%	22.8%	471,458	731,038	1,202,496	17.7%
Total	24,869,978	24,869,978	18,902,637	4,967,341	4,967,341	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0	6,783,422	6,783,422	100.0%	100.0%	3,412,064	3,371,358	6,783,422	100.0%

C2 Method and algorithm for sharing emissions responsibility between producers and consumers along GVCs

In an autarky state, if a country wants to keep its current final demand level, its emissions are defined as

$$AE^s = F^s L^{ss} \sum_r Y^{rs}.$$

In other words, AE^s represents the emission level that country s uses domestic production technique without any intermediate imports to produce goods and service for fulfilling the same final demand level as international trade exists. Compared this Autarky Emissions with both current production based and consumption based emission levels, it's easy to get two indicators: production based carbon leakage and consumption based carbon leakage as shown below.

$$CLP^s = PP^s - AE^s,$$

$$CLC^s = PC^s - AE^s.$$

Clearly, CLP^s can be considered the carbon leakage that country s should take responsibility as a producer; CLC^s as the carbon leakage that country s should take responsibility as a consumer. Following this definition, the contribution level by country for both types of leakage can further be defined as

$$CLPS^s = CLP^s / \sum_s CLP^s,$$

$$CLCS^s = CLC^s / \sum_s CLC^s.$$

The above contribution levels can be used to define producers' and consumers' responsibility shares (weights) respectively as

$$\phi^s = CLPS^s / (CLPS^s + CLCS^s),$$

$$(1 - \phi^s) = CLCS^s / (CLPS^s + CLCS^s).$$

Removing the pure-self-responsibility based emissions (SE) from both production and consumption based emissions, the remained parts are the targets to be shared.

$$PPT^s = PP^s - SE^s,$$

$$PCT^s = PC^s - SE^s.$$

Following Peters (2008)'s idea, the shared responsibility is given as

$$\begin{aligned}
FS &= \sum_s FSP^s + \sum_s FSC^s \\
&= \sum_s \emptyset^s \cdot PPT^s + \sum_s (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT^s.
\end{aligned}$$

It should be noted, that by definition,

$$\sum_s PP^s = \sum_s PC^s \Rightarrow \sum_s PPT^s = \sum_s PCT^s.$$

In the process of sharing responsibility with \emptyset^s , there is no guarantee in the first step that the shared responsibility

$$FS = \sum_s PPT^s \text{ or } = \sum_s PCT^s.$$

Here, we use the following iterative algorithm to share responsibility step by step.

$$\begin{aligned}
FS_{t=1} &= \sum_s \emptyset^s \cdot PPT^s + \sum_s (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT^s. \\
FS_{t=2} &= FS_{t=1} + \sum_s \emptyset^s \cdot PPT_{t=1}^s + \sum_s (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT_{t=1}^s \\
FS_{t=3} &= FS_{t=2} + \sum_s \emptyset^s \cdot PPT_{t=2}^s + \sum_s (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT_{t=2}^s \\
&\dots \\
FS_{t=n} &= FS_{t=n-1} + \sum_s \emptyset^s \cdot PPT_{t=n-1}^s + \sum_s (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT_{t=n-1}^s \\
PPT_t^s &= (FS_t - \sum_s PPT^s) \frac{PPT^s}{\sum_s PPT^s}; PCT_t^s = (FS_t - \sum_s PCT^s) \frac{PCT^s}{\sum_s PCT^s}
\end{aligned}$$

Given $0 \leq \emptyset^s \leq 1$, we have

$$\text{Min}\{PPT_t^s, PCT_t^s\} \leq \emptyset^s \cdot PPT_t^s + (1 - \emptyset^s) \cdot PCT_t^s \leq \text{Max}\{PPT_t^s, PCT_t^s\}.$$

This gives the sufficient condition for getting converged results at the end of the above process. Namely, when $n \rightarrow \infty$, $FS_{t=n} = \sum_s PPT^s = \sum_s PCT^s$.

Appendix D

WIOD country/region names					WIOD sector classification	
Code	Country Code	Name	EU 15	Annex B used	Code	Description
C1	AUS	Australia		✓	S1	Agriculture, Hunting, Forestry and Fishing
C2	AUT	Austria	✓	✓	S2*	Mining and Quarrying
C3	BEL	Belgium	✓	✓	S3	Food, Beverages and Tobacco
C4	BGR	Bulgaria		✓	S4	Textiles and Textile Products
C5	BRA	Brazil			S5	Leather, Leather and Footwear
C6	CAN	Canada		✓	S6	Wood and Products of Wood and Cork
C7	CHN	China			S7	Pulp, Paper, Paper, Printing and Publishing
C8	CYP	Cyprus			S8*	Coke, Refined Petroleum and Nuclear Fuel
C9	CZE	Czech Republic		✓	S9	Chemicals and Chemical Products
C10	DEU	Germany	✓	✓	S10	Rubber and Plastics
C11	DNK	Denmark	✓	✓	S11	Other Non-Metallic Mineral
C12	ESP	Spain	✓	✓	S12	Basic Metals and Fabricated Metal
C13	EST	Estonia		✓	S13	Machinery, Nec
C14	FIN	Finland	✓	✓	S14	Electrical and Optical Equipment
C15	FRA	France	✓	✓	S15	Transport Equipment
C16	GBR	United Kingdom	✓	✓	S16	Manufacturing, Nec; Recycling
C17	GRC	Greece	✓	✓	S17*	Electricity, Gas and Water Supply
C18	HUN	Hungary		✓	S18	Construction
C19	IDN	Indonesia			S19	Sale, Maintenance and Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles; Retail Sale of Fuel
C20	IND	India			S20	Wholesale Trade and Commission Trade, Except of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles
C21	IRL	Ireland	✓	✓	S21	Retail Trade, Except of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles; Repair of Household Goods
C22	ITA	Italy	✓	✓	S22	Hotels and Restaurants
C23	JPN	Japan		✓	S23	Inland Transport
C24	KOR	South Korea			S24	Water Transport
C25	LTU	Lithuania		✓	S25	Air Transport
C26	LUX	Luxembourg	✓	✓	S26	Other Supporting and Auxiliary Transport Activities; Activities of Travel Agencies
C27	LVA	Latvia		✓	S27	Post and Telecommunications
C28	MEX	Mexico			S28	Financial Intermediation
C29	MLT	Malta			S29	Real Estate Activities
C30	NLD	Netherlands	✓	✓	S30	Renting of M&Eq and Other Business Activities
C31	POL	Poland		✓	S31	Public Admin and Defence; Compulsory Social Security
C32	PRT	Portugal	✓	✓	S32	Education
C33	ROM	Romania		✓	S33	Health and Social Work
C34	RUS	Russian Federation		✓	S34	Other Community, Social and Personal Services
C35	SVK	Slovakia		✓	S35	Private Households with Employed Persons
C36	SVN	Slovenia		✓		
C37	SWE	Sweden	✓	✓		*: energy related products
C38	TUR	Turkey				
C39	TWN	Taiwan				
C40	USA	United States		✓		
C41	RoW	Rest of the World				