

Sectoral Transition Risk in an Environmentally Extended Production Network Model

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Model: Input-Output Structure

Amount produced



Figure: Input-output structure visualization

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Emissions



Emissions Intensity - Top 10

Figure: Source: EXIOBASE3

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Other Parameters

Parameter	Description	Estimate
σ	Producer: Energy EOS	0.2 - 4.7
ϵ	Producer: Non-Energy EOS	0.1
η	Producer: Energy - non-Energy EOS	0.1
heta	Producer: Value Added - Int. Goods EOS	0.1
ρ	Consumer: EOS	0.8
ϕ	Consumer: Coefficient of Risk Aversion	2.0

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Real Value Added Percentage Change Varying energy EOS σ

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Aggregate Output Varying energy EOS σ



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Renewable Subsidy

Real Value Added Percentage Change Scope 1+2+3 Linear Approximation



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Real Value Added Percentage Change Renewable Subsidy

Real Value Added Percentage Change - 300% subsidy for renewable electricity



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Renewable Subsidy

Government Transfer Comparison Renewable Subsidy



- Transfer with \$25 carbon tax ≈ 0.1
- Transfer with high EOS subsidy tends to be higher.
- I.e. subsidy is less efficient in emissions reduction?

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Work in progress

- Next step: estimating sector-specific EOS parameters
 - Data needs: Sector specific input prices over time + factor shares.
 - Currently using EU KLEMS + EXIOBASE + misc. data sources for renewables.
- Alternate IO table calibration local models?
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 - This provides an understanding of *local* sectoral impacts and flows.



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Indirect vs Direct Effects



Figure: Source: Greenhouse Gas Protocol: Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard Krivorotov (OCC) Sectoral Transition Risk Septem



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