

# Global value chains and the transmission of price shocks \*

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## Abstract

Firms' participation in global value chains strengthens cross-country transmission of price shocks through cost-push inflation. We study here the effect on consumption prices of exchange rate shocks. By using three sectoral world input-output datasets, we find that the contribution of first-round effects on imported final and intermediate goods in domestic consumption, explains the bulk - around three-quarters - of the propagation of global shocks to domestic prices. We also show that the first-round effects (through imported consumption and imported inputs to domestically produced consumption goods) are a good predictor of the total effects. Finally, we establish that the results obtained using sectoral world input-output datasets up to 2015 can be extrapolated to recent years thanks to the use of easily obtainable statistics as GDP and trade statistics.

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## 1 Introduction

Trade liberalization and lower transportation and communication costs facilitate the fragmentation of production across national borders. Participation in global value chains strengthens cross-country linkages via trade in intermediate inputs. This has to be taken into account to study international interdependence. For example, in the absence of global value chains, the only way currency appreciation affects consumer prices is through a reduction in the price of imported consumption goods. But if there are global value chain, an other channel opens.

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Currency appreciation reduces the domestic price of imported inputs, and thus further reduces consumer prices. The other way around, because of exported intermediate goods, inputs become more expensive for foreign firms. That increases their production costs and, presumably, also increases domestic consumer prices in the country which currency appreciates. The changes in domestic and foreign production costs will in turn lead to changes in the price of inputs for domestic and foreign firms and cause further production costs variations. Of course, the behavior of firms is decisive to determine the effect of exchange rate shocks on prices. Still, working out the full potential accounting effect can help understand what kind of pressure the existence of global value chains subjects firms to.

This is the objective of this paper: measuring the accounting effect of exchange rate fluctuations on consumer prices fully taking into account the existence global value chains over twenty years (from 1995 to 2005). Most of the literature of global supply chains focuses on the role of input-output linkages in propagating shocks to production. In contrast, we examine the role of input-output linkages in propagating shocks to consumer prices. We analyze how sectoral inflation reacts to global inflationary shocks by examining the main components of consumer prices (manufacturing goods, services, food and energy on the one hand, imported and domestic goods on the other). We provide evidence that, following an appreciation of the domestic currency, the direct effect of global inflationary shocks, i.e. the contribution of first-round effects on imported final and intermediate goods in domestic consumption, explains the bulk of the propagation of global shocks to domestic prices. By contrast, we find a limited role for the additional transmission of lower domestic input prices to other sectors of the domestic economy and other countries occurring during subsequent production cycles. This limited role is the same in absolute terms for most countries. We also show that the results obtained from three different sources (two versions of TiVA and WIOD) are very similar.

This is a particularly data demanding exercise because it requires World Input-Output tables (WIOT hereafter) that are difficult to construct. This can be a major obstacle for taking into account global value chains in inflation forecasts. An additional contribution of this paper is to that the findings of this data-hungry exercise can be extrapolated through time up to relatively data-poor recent periods. This is good news for economic forecasters who want to evaluate the role of supply chains diffusion of price shocks in current economic events.

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 briefly describes the related literature. Section 3 presents the methodology and the data sources. Section 4 computes the accounting impact of an exchange rate shock on consumer prices up to 2015. Section 5 shows that, combined with findings of section 4, GDP and trade data are all that is needed to compute the accounting impact of an exchange rate shock on consumer prices. This means it is possible to use our results to examine what happened during the second half of the 2010s.

## 2 Related literature

An important determinant of the size of the exchange rate pass through is the integration in global value chains. (23) show the intermediate trade share in volume grew at a subdued rate between 2000 and 2016, while the share of intermediate goods in world trade in nominal terms was fairly well correlated to various Global Value Chain indicators based on international

input-output matrices. (18) find the exchange rate pass through decreases as the foreign value added increases using a sector-country of origin-country of destination-level panel regression for the pricing behaviour of exporters. (24) find a structural two-country model with trade in intermediate goods and staggered price setting that the size of the exchange rate pass through depends is the integration in global value chains not only of a country, but also of its trading partners. Nevertheless, (30) find limited evidence that participation in global value chains has significantly changed the exchange rate–trade relationship over time.

(4) document that the cross-border propagation of cost shocks through input-output linkages contributes substantially to synchronizing producer price inflation across countries, combining data on sectoral domestic and international input trade from the World Input Output Database (WIOD) and producer price indices. By contrast, exchange rate movements and the degree of pricing-to-market are found to play no role in synchronizing inflation across countries. (3) show that the cross-border sectors pairs which trade more intensively with each other in intermediate inputs display higher PPI inflation correlation, indicating price spillovers along the global supply chain.

Our research is also related to the literature on exchange rate pass-through in an environment where intermediate inputs account for a large share of imports. The empirical literature proves the pass through declines across the pricing chain. An ECB report (35) confirms the pass through is highest and fastest for import prices at the border, but significantly smaller and relatively slower for final consumer prices (see also (25; 29; 6)

In an input-output accounting perspective, the exchange rate pass through to consumer prices is bounded by the direct and indirect import content of consumption. According to calculations based on the World Input-Output Database (WIOD), (39) (box 1 Import share in the HICP consumption basket) finds that the sum of the direct and indirect import content in consumption for the euro area was 16 per cent in the HICP and 14 per cent in the HICP excluding energy and food, HICPX, in 2014 under the assumption of full pass-through to import prices.

Concerning the evolution of the pass through over time, (10) have documented a fall in ERPT to import and consumer prices since the 1980s and 90s. (Ozyurt) shows that the pass through is only “partial” in the euro area with clear evidence that the degree of pass through has been declining over the past two decades. In particular, she finds that the period of strong fall of pass through coincides with the increasing share of the emerging countries in world trade and the accession of China to the WTO. Concerning potential non-linearities, (14) find that euro appreciations and depreciations affect the level of euro area exchange rate pass-through in a symmetric fashion, but results for euro area countries differ for import and consumer prices and across countries. Concerning import prices, (9) find no significant difference in the import pass-through between emerging and advanced economies.

## **2.1 The Input-Output model applied to a shock on production costs.**

The widely known Leontief’s production model (or I-O model) studies the impact of a demand shock in a domestic economy (31). The trade in value-added analysis reconciles international trade statistics with national I-O tables, and thus allows Leontief’s analysis to be extended to an international context. A number of studies (26; 15; 16; 17; 27; 28; 2; 32) analyze the value

added content of world trade. Some authors focus on Asia (38) or on the euro area (11).

Leontief's production model has a dual: the price model. It studies the diffusion of cost-push inflation in the economy. Using it, some studies focus on the consequences of a change in production prices based on an I-O model or a SAM (Social Accounting Matrix) model in developing countries. In France, the Insee (7) has developed the AVIONIC model based on French symmetric input-output tables that measures the effect on the price of production of an exogenous variation on the price of inputs. Leontief's price model is broadly used in multi-sector, single-country macroeconomic models, for example, to measure the effect of a change in energy prices (8; 40). Implicitly, (5) use it as they focus on competitiveness and compute real effective exchange rates weighted by the value-added trade structure to measure the impact of a demand change in value added on value added prices and final expenditure levels. It is at the center of (13). (13) is an accounting approach to the effect of costs on prices ("cost-push inflation"). Firms' margins are assumed to be fixed. Prices only adjust to absorb cost changes, production techniques are fixed during successive production cycles and inputs substitution (for instance, between countries producing the same goods) is not accounted for, despite variations in relative price. The limitations of this approach are well known (22). In particular, and although the division of global value chains largely takes place within multinational firms, it assumes a unique pricing system based on market prices and independent of firm strategies. Still, this method provides a measure of the vulnerability of each sector to price or productivity shocks (1; 12). Hence, though unrealistic, it is useful for identifying which countries and sectors are under pressure to adjust their prices when subject to exogenous cost shocks. For instance, it can show which euro area countries benefit most from an appreciation of the euro or whether adopting the euro has increased interdependence between member countries.

### 3 The PIWIM model

Based on initial work from the OFCE (Observatoire Français des Conjonctures Économiques) (13), we developed a model named «PIWIM» (Push cost Inflation through World Input-output Matrices). This paper makes extensive use of this model.

#### 3.1 Defining a price shock in a I-O model

To identify which countries are most affected by a price shock through value-added and vertical trade flows in international trade, we need a large structural matrix that integrates input flows between sectors, both within each country and between countries. This matrix traces the sectoral and geographical origin of inputs.

The standard I-O model relies on input-output tables registering transactions of goods and services (domestic or imported) at current prices. The I-O tables describe the sale and purchase relationships between producers and consumers within an economy. Each column describes, for each industry  $j$ , the intermediate consumption of goods and services from the various sectors. By extension, a "world" I-O table (WIOT hereafter) describe the sale and purchase relationships between producers and consumers in the whole world, differentiating between sectors in different countries. The WIOT has, on its diagonal, the country blocks with flows of domestic transac-

tions of intermediate goods and services between industries. The country blocks outside of the diagonal represent international flows of intermediate goods and services via bilateral sectoral exports and imports.

Assuming no inputs substitution between industries or countries (i.e. assuming that technical coefficients are fixed), we can derive a price equation under the assumption of complete cost pass-through.

$N$  is equal to the product of the number of countries ( $I$ ) and the number of sectors ( $J$ ). Define  $\mathcal{A}$  the matrix of technical input coefficient of dimension  $(N, N)$ , and  $Y$  the output vector of dimension  $(1, N)$ .  $Y = (y_1 \dots y_N)$ .

Define  $y_n = p_n * q_n$ , with  $p_n$  the price and  $q_n$  the quantity of product from country  $n$  and normalize quantity such as  $q_n = 1$ .

Define  $P$  the vector of production prices of dimension  $(1, N)$  and  $V$  the vector of factor income of dimension  $(1, N)$  needed to produce one unit of good in each sector. The price of each good is equal to the cost of producing it:  $P = P\mathcal{A} + V$ .

Suppose an exogenous input price shock occurs. Firms face a change in their costs, which - by hypothesis - they pass on directly to production prices to keep factor incomes constant. Define  $\Delta^0 P$  the shock vector of dimension  $(1, N)$  computed as the difference between the original price vector  $P^0$  and the new vector  $P^1$ . Then:

$$\Delta^0 P = P^1 - P^0 = C,$$

with  $C$  the shock vector of dimension  $(1, N)$  that contains the direct effect of the shock on output prices.

The price increase is passed on to the country-specific industries that use shocked products as intermediate consumptions. The higher the reliance on shocked inputs, the higher the increase in production prices.

In a first step, the direct impact of the shock on each country-specific industry's output prices amounts to  $\Delta^1 P = C\mathcal{A}$ .

In a second step, the shock is passed on all country-specific industries using these shocked inputs in their production processes. For  $k$  production cycles, the increase in production prices amounts to  $\Delta^k P = C\mathcal{A}^k$ .

As the technical coefficients are smaller than 1, the effect of the initial shock on input prices eventually wears out. The overall effect of the shock is equal to the sum of the initial shock and all the increases that occurred during the successive production cycles. Let us call  $S$  the total effect of the shock on prices, a vector  $(1, N)$  composed of the elements  $s_{ij}$  measuring the total effect of the shock on the output price of sector  $j$  in country  $i$ . We have:

$$S = C \left( I + \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{A}^2 + \dots + \mathcal{A}^k + \dots \right) = C(I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} \quad (1)$$

with  $(I - \mathcal{A})^{-1}$  the inverse of Leontief's matrix.

### 3.2 The choice of WIOD

The world input-output tables are an extension of the national input-output tables. Input-output tables measure the relationships between the producers of goods and services (including imports) within an economy and the users of these goods and services (including exports). The national tables specify, in line, for each industry, the use of the product as intermediate or final use. In a national table, final use includes exports alongside domestic final uses. Exports are not a final use in world input-output tables. They show by which foreign industry a product was produced, and which foreign industry or final user uses the exports of a given country. For example, world input-output tables enable us to identify how much international trade is associated with the consumption of a particular final product.

Aggregating national input-output tables in world input-output tables is challenging for many reasons. For example, national input-output tables vary widely in terms of detail and scope, and are therefore not fully consistent. Furthermore, the availability of year-specific national input-output tables is limited, especially for developing economies. Other issues exists.

Two datasets including a time dimension for world input-output tables are available: (i) the World Input Output Database (WIOD) and (ii) the OECD-ICIO database TiVA.

**The World Input Output Database (WIOD)** The World Input Output Database (WIOD) contains time series of inter-country input-output tables from 2000 to 2014. It provides "World Input-Output Tables" that reconcile national input-output tables (or supply-use tables) with bilateral trade statistics derive the final symmetric world input-output table. The WIOD covers 43 countries, of which 28 belongs to the European Union and 15 are other major countries that cover, in total, around 85% of world GDP. They contain annual information for 56 industries, comprising primary, manufacturing goods and services sectors. Therefore, for each year a full country-sector input-output matrix traces the importance of a supplying industry in one country for an industry in another country. The values in WIOTs are expressed in millions of U.S. dollars; market exchange rates were used for currency conversion (41).

Table 1 shows the economies included in the WIOD.

Europe	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom
North America	Canada, United States
Latin America	Brazil, Mexico
Asia-Pacific	Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Taiwan
Other	Russia, Turkey

Table 1: **Economies included in the World Input-Output Database**

**The Statistics on Trade in Value Added (TiVA) database** The TiVA database is compiled by the OECD and the WTO. It builds on the OECD harmonized individual country input-output tables to provide matrices of inter-industrial flows of goods and services in current prices (USD million). We use two versions of this database. The third revision, from 2016,

includes for 64 economies (i.e. 35 OECD Countries, 28 non-OECD economies and the Rest of the world) and 34 industries, and covers the every year between 1995 and 2011. The fourth revision, from 2018, includes one more economy (Kazakhstan) and 36 sectors and covers every year between 2005 and 2015. Beside coverage, there are extensive differences between both TiVA databases ((33)). Table 2 shows the economies included in the TiVA databases.

Europe	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom
North America	Canada, United States
Latin America	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico (differentiating between three (Rev3) or two (Rev4) Mexico), Peru
Asia-Pacific	Australia, Cambodia, China (differentiating between four (Rev3) or three (Rev4) China), Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan (in Rev4), Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Viet Nam
Other	Brunei, Israel, Morocco, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Tunisia, Turkey

Table 2: **Economies included in the TiVA databases**

**Major differences between the WIOD and TiVA databases** The WIOD and TiVA databases have a number of distinguishing characteristics (see (41) for details). The most relevant difference for our analysis relates to the treatment of imports by use category. National input-output statistics provide the use of products by industries and final consumers, but the country of origin of products is unknown. Therefore, one has to breakdown product import statistics by category of use in the construction of world input-output tables.

The TiVA database relies on the so-called "import proportionality assumption". The domestic input-output tables show transactions between domestic industries. As a complement to these tables, supplementary tables break down total imports by user (industry and the different categories of final demand). Some countries provide these import tables in conjunction with their input-output tables, but in other cases they are derived by the OECD. Mexico and China benefit from a special treatment, but for the other countries the main assumption used is that the share of imports in any product consumed directly as intermediate consumption or final demand (except exports) is the same for all end-uses (the "proportionality assumption") <sup>1</sup>.

Various studies have found that this assumption can be misleading, as import shares vary significantly across end-uses. (21) find that shares of imported materials may differ substantially across U.S. industries. Based on Asian input-output tables, (37) finds that the proportionality assumption understates the use of foreign intermediate inputs. It is likely to be particularly binding for developing countries, as the import content of exports is usually higher than the import content of products used for domestic consumption.

To address this issue, the WIOD database uses bilateral trade statistics to derive import shares for three end-use categories (intermediate use, final consumption and investment) by mapping detailed six-digit products international trade statistics based on product descriptions (19).

To sum up, the WIOD includes information on bilateral industry-specific input use, whereas such

<sup>1</sup>See (34) for details.

information exists only in imputed form in TiVA. Therefore, we focus on the WIOD database in our analysis <sup>2</sup>.

### 3.3 Nominal exchange rate shock

We implement an exchange rate shock using the WIOD databases described above. The appreciation of a currency against other currencies leads, for the shock-stricken country, to a fall in the domestic-currency price of its imports and an increase in the foreign-currency price of its exports. We focus on the disinflationary impact of this shock on the shock-stricken country though we also estimate, conversely, its inflationary impact on countries that directly and indirectly consume, through third countries linkages, inputs from the shock-stricken country.

However, this shock cannot be analyzed applying the method described in 3.1 because the value of the price, besides depending of the nationality of the input-providing sector, also depends on the nationality of the input-using sector. Suppose a world with two countries  $A$  and  $B$ , each having its own national currency, and a currency for international transactions, the dollar. Assuming a 100% appreciation of the currency of country  $A$  against the other two currencies, the production prices of country  $A$  expressed in dollars would double compared to those of country  $B$  expressed in dollars. Country  $B$  pays more for its imports of inputs, in dollars as well as in national currency, since the exchange rate of the currency of Country  $B$  against the dollar has not changed. Conversely, the imported input prices in country  $A$  remain constant in dollar terms, since production prices of country  $B$  have not changed and fall by half once expressed in national currency.

We assume that producers have no margin behavior and pass through the exchange rate shock fully on to their production prices. The change in the prices of imported goods is therefore transmitted to all domestic prices, both directly and through inter-industry linkages. These upward (downward) movements for country  $B$  (country  $A$ ) affect all input prices in each of the countries.

The effects of the shock spread over multiple production cycles. At the end of this process, the overall impact of the shock in dollar terms is equal, for the shocked country  $A$ , to the rise in production prices due to the exchange rate shock, minus direct and indirect decreases (via interindustry linkages in the country), in national currency and then converted back into dollar terms, in the prices of inputs imported from  $B$  and disseminated to all branches. The overall impact on production prices in dollar terms in country  $A$  is therefore lower than the initial exchange rate shock. For country  $B$ , the final impact is to the cumulative direct and indirect effects of higher prices of inputs imported from country  $A$  and disseminated to all industries.

In a global economy composed of  $I$  countries, each with  $J$  sectors, the appreciation of a country's currency  $i$  against all other currencies translates into a rise in country  $i$ 's prices in dollars. The production price of each sector will vary in dollar terms by:  $c_{\$}^i$  in the shock-stricken country  $i$  and 0 in other countries.

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<sup>2</sup>Results obtained with the 2016 and 2018 TiVA databases are available upon request.



Hence, for each sector  $j$  in country  $i$ :

$$\Delta^0 p_{\$ij} = p_{\$ij}^1 - p_{\$ij}^0 = c_{\$ij} = c_{\$}^i$$

And for each sector  $j$  in country  $k (k \neq i)$ ,

$$\Delta^0 p_{\$kj} = p_{\$kj}^1 - p_{\$kj}^0 = c_{\$kj} = 0$$

To simplify, initial output prices for each sector are normalized to 1 and exchange rates to 1:1. A 100% appreciation in the exchange rate of a currency against other currencies therefore corresponds to an absolute shock of +1, with production prices in the shock-stricken country rising from 1 to 2 dollars.

The appreciation affects producers through changes in relative prices between countries and, therefore, through changes in input prices traded between the shock-stricken country  $i$  and other countries.

Consider first the direct impact (in absolute terms) on other countries of the rise in imported input prices from shocked country  $i$ . For any sector  $l$  of a country  $k (k \neq i)$ , the increase in the producer price depends directly on the quantity of inputs imported from the shock-stricken country  $i$ , weighted by the variation in level of the price of inputs in dollars (i. e. the exchange rate shock):

$$\Delta^1 p_{\$kl} = c_{\$}^i * a_{kl,i1} + \dots + c_{\$}^i . a_{kl,ij} + \dots + c_{\$}^i . a_{kl,iJ} = \sum_{j=1}^J c_{\$}^i . a_{kl,ij} = c_{\$}^i . \sum_{j=1}^J a_{kl,ij} \quad (2)$$

With  $a_{kl,ij}$  the quantity of inputs from the country  $i$ 's sector  $j$  needed to develop a production unit for the country's  $k$  sector  $l$ .

For the shocked country, the shock has a disinflationary effect on domestic production prices. In national currency, the production prices of imported inputs fall in each sector by  $c^i = -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i}$ , or by 0.5 with  $c_{\$}^i = 1$ .

This decline then spreads to all domestic-input using sectors. In sector  $j$  of the shocked country  $i$ , this fall amounts in national currency to:

$$\Delta^1 p_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{l=J} c^i . a_{ij,1l} + \dots + \sum_{l=1}^{l=J} c^i . a_{ij,kl} + \sum_{l=1}^{l=J} c^i . a_{ij,pl} = \left( -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i} \right) \cdot \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^{k=I} \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{l=J} a_{ij,kl} \right]$$

This level shock can be converted into dollars:

$$\Delta^1 p_{\$ij} = (1 + c_{\$}^i) \cdot \left( -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i} \right) \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^{k=I} \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{l=J} a_{ij,kl} \right] \quad (3)$$

We therefore know the direct impact of the shock on all input prices of all countries. In matrix notation, we create two matrices that build on the world input-output matrix  $A$  defined in 3.1. These two matrices retain only the direct effects of the exchange rate shock on the price of goods imported by the shocked country  $i$  and the direct effects of the exchange rate shock on the price of goods imported by the rest of the world from the shocked country  $i$ . To formalize the initial impact of the shock on the price of traded goods, we neutralize the impact of an input price shock on the price of domestic inputs as well as on the price of inputs traded between countries that are not shocked.

Let us first look at the shock from the perspective of countries that import inputs from country  $i$ .

Let  $C_{\$}^i$  be the vector of change in production prices in dollars following the appreciation of the currency of country  $i$  against all other currencies. Hence,

$$C_{\$}^i = (0 \dots 0 \dots c_{\$ij} \dots c_{\$ik} \dots 0 \dots 0)$$

with  $c_{\$ij} = c_{\$ik} = c_{\$}^i$  for all sectors  $j$  and  $k$  in the shocked country  $i$ .

Building on Equation 2, we write the direct impact of the exchange rate shock on the other countries as the product of the shock vector  $C_{\$}^i$  and a matrix  $\mathcal{B}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  builds on the large matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  of technical coefficients, but only keeps the coefficients of each country's sectoral inputs imported from the shocked country  $i$ . The other coefficients are replaced by 0, including those of the block of country  $i$  concerning the domestic inputs of the shocked country  $i$ . The direct impact of the appreciation of a currency against the dollar on the price of inputs in countries that are not shocked is equal to  $C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B}$  with

$$C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} = (0 \dots c_{\$}^i \dots 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_{11,ij} & 0 & a_{IJ,ij} \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

where each  $a_{kl,ij}$  element of the line block represents the technical coefficient related to imports of inputs by sector  $l$  in country  $k$  (with  $k \neq i$ ) from sector  $j$  of country  $i$ .

Let us now consider the shock from the perspective of the shocked country  $i$ .

Define  $C^i$  the vector of change in production prices everywhere expressed in country  $i$ 's currency,  $\left(-\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i}, \dots, 0, \dots, -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i}\right)$ .

From Equation 3, we can write the direct impact for country  $i$  of the fall in input prices from the rest of the world. The direct impact corresponds to the product of the shock vector  $C^i$  and a matrix  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ .  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$  builds on the large matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  of which only the country blocks of the inputs imported by country  $i$  from other countries have been retained. The other coefficients are replaced by 0, including those of the block of country  $i$  concerning the domestic inputs of the shocked country  $i$ .

The direct impact of the appreciation of the shocked country  $i$  on the price of its inputs

corresponds, in national currency, to  $C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$  with:

$$C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} = \left( -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i}, \dots, 0, \dots, -\frac{c_{\$}^i}{1+c_{\$}^i} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots a_{ij,11} \dots & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & \dots a_{ij,IJ} \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

where each  $a_{ij,kl}$  element in the column block represents imports of inputs by sector  $j$  in country  $i$  from sector  $l$  of country  $k$ . We can then convert this direct impact in dollars, by multiplying it by the new value of the national currency in dollars,  $(1+c_{\$}^i)$ . The direct impact of the appreciation of the shocked country  $i$  on the price of its inputs corresponds, in dollars, to  $\tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$  with:

$$\tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} = (1+c_{\$}^i) \cdot C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} = (-c_{\$}^i \dots 0 \dots -c_{\$}^i) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots a_{ij,11} \dots & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & \dots a_{ij,IJ} \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

The direct effect on the world is therefore the sum of these vectors from equations 4 and 6, i. e.  $C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ .

An input price shock then spreads to all sectors in all countries via the global intersectoral exchanges transcribed by the matrix of technical coefficients of the large matrix  $\mathcal{A}$ . This process will be repeated several times, until the effects are completely exhausted. In the end, the total sectoral effect of the dollar shock is equal to the sectoral shock itself, incremented by changes in input prices due to changes in imported input prices, and by all marginal changes in output prices during the production processes, i. e.:

$$S_{\$}^i = \Delta P_{\$}^i = C_{\$}^i + \left( C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) + \left( C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) \mathcal{A} + \left( C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) \mathcal{A}^2 + \dots + \left( C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) \mathcal{A}^k + \dots$$

$$S_{\$}^i = C_{\$}^i + \left( C_{\$}^i \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} \quad (7)$$

With  $S_{\$}^i$  the total impact vector composed of the elements  $s_{\$kj}^i$  showing the total impact of the shock in the exchange rate of country  $i$  on country  $k$ 's sector  $j$ . Equation 7 gives the absolute evolution of sectoral prices in international currency. The study of this vector is the main objet of (13). //

In contrast, this paper focuses on the internal effect of an exchange rate shock. To obtain the absolute evolution of the sectoral prices of the shocked country in national currency, we remove the exchange rate shock in international currency, multiply the balance by the scalar of conversion equal to  $\frac{1}{1+c_{\$}^i}$  and add the initial exchange rate shock in national currency.

$$\begin{aligned}
S^i &= C^i + \left( \frac{1}{1 + c_{\$}^i} \right) * (S_{\$}^i - C_{\$}^i) \\
&= C^i + \left( \frac{1}{1 + c_{\$}^i} \right) * \left( C_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + \tilde{C}_{\$}^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} \\
&= C^i + \left( \hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1}
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Where  $\hat{C}_{\$}^i = \left( 0 \dots \frac{c_{\$}^i}{1 + c_{\$}^i}, \dots 0 \right)$  is the increase in dollar prices of goods from country  $i$  used as inputs in all other countries.

$S^i$  represents the overall impact of a shock on prices in each sector of each country expressed in the shocked currency. It is quite different from  $S$  defined in eq. (1), because in the case of  $S$ , the price shock affects all users, whereas in the case of  $S^i$ , the price shock affects only users that do not share a currency with country  $i$ . To illustrate the difference, the two country, one sector case is explored in Appendix 1.

To transform this vector in a price level shock in country  $i$ ,  $\bar{s}^i$ , we need to compute a weighted average of the sectoral effects of the shock. This paper focuses on the price of household consumption. Let  $HC^i$  be the vector of sectoral shares in country  $i$ 's consumption :

$$HC^i = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{hc_{11}^i}{hc^i} \\ \dots \\ \frac{hc_{kj}^i}{hc^i} \\ \dots \\ \frac{hc_{IJ}^i}{hc^i} \end{pmatrix}$$

Where  $hc_{kj}^i$  corresponds to household consumption in country  $i$  of goods produced by sector  $j$  from country  $k$  and  $hc^i$  represents the total household consumption of country  $i$ .

$\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  provides the average impact of the shock on the consumer price of country  $i$ .

$$\bar{s}_i^{i,HC} = S^i \cdot HC^i = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \dots J \\ k=1 \dots I}} s_{kj}^i \cdot \frac{hc_{kj}^i}{hc^i} \tag{9}$$

with  $s_{kj}^i$  is a coefficient of  $S^i$  for country  $i$ .

## 4 The impact of exchange rates fluctuations on consumer prices

### 4.1 Baseline results

We use the model presented in 3.3 to study the absolute value of  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  following a 100% appreciation of the domestic currency versus all other currencies. When the domestic currency appreciates, domestic prices expressed in domestic currency decrease, as imported inputs and imported consumer goods are cheaper. As our model is linear, the exact value of the shock does not matter: choosing 100% allows us to interpret  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  as an elasticity. As an illustration, using the WIOD database, we find that  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  is equal to  $-0.055$  for the USA in 2011, meaning that

a 100% appreciation of the dollar would reduce consumer prices by 5.5%. The following figures report the absolute value of this number (0.055).

Additionally, for Euro area members, we distinguish between the effect of the appreciation of the euro and the effect of the appreciation of a hypothetical national currency. For example, in the case of France, using WIOD in 2011, a 100% appreciation of the euro would lead to a reduction of domestic prices of 7.6%. A 100% appreciation of the hypothetical French national currency would lead to a reduction of domestic prices of 12.2%.

Figure 1, shows that, despite their differences, using WIOD or TIVA yields very similar results for consumer prices.

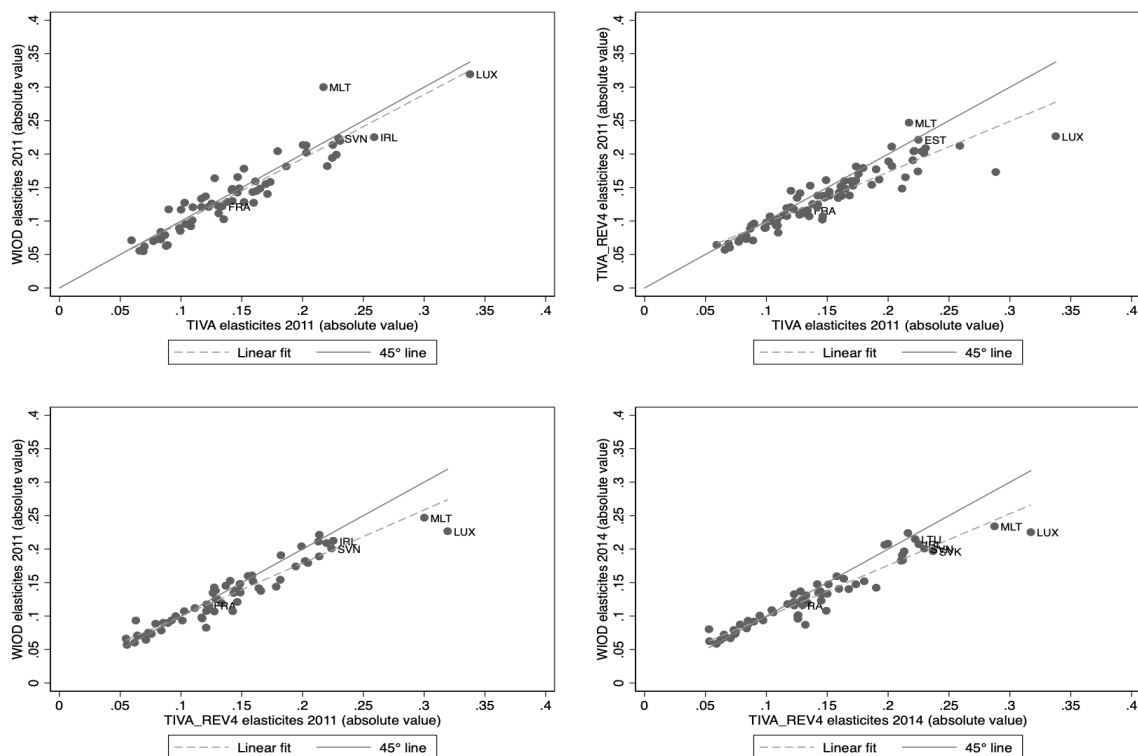


Figure 1: Comparing consumer price elasticity to an exchange rate appreciation of 100% for WIOD, TIVA and TIVA rev4, 2011 and 2014

Source: WIOD, TIVA rev3 and TIVA rev4

The evolution of consumer prices elasticity through time is very similar in all sources. However, computations based on TIVA rev3 yield a slightly higher elasticity than those based on TIVA rev4 and WIOD (see Figure 2).

Focusing on the 2014 WIOD results, Figure 3 shows that the absolute value of the elasticity is between .05 and .15 for most countries. Figure 4 shows it is closely, but not strictly, related to the share of imported goods and services in household consumption.

## 4.2 Contribution of different goods

Looking at the contribution of different types of goods to  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  helps understanding the mechanisms at work in PIWIM. One possibility is to look at the predicted effect on domestic goods

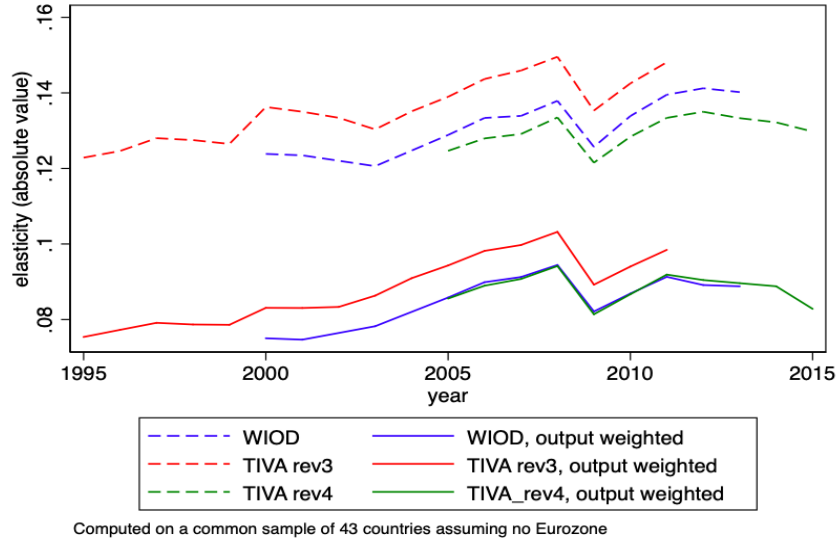


Figure 2: Comparing mean consumer price elasticity to an exchange rate appreciation of 100% for WIOD and TIVA, 1995-2014

Source: WIOD and TIVA

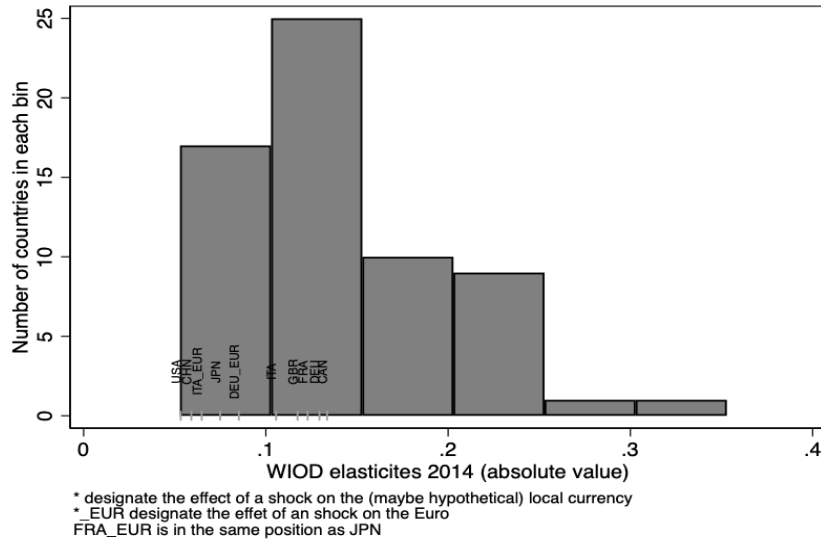


Figure 3: Distribution of consumer price elasticity to a 100% exchange rate appreciation for WIOD 2014

Source: WIOD

versus imported goods. We can define

$$\bar{s}_i^{i,HC} = \bar{s}_{i,imp}^{i,HC} + \bar{s}_{i,dom}^{i,HC} = S^i.HC^{i,dom} + S^i.HC^{i,imp} \quad (10)$$

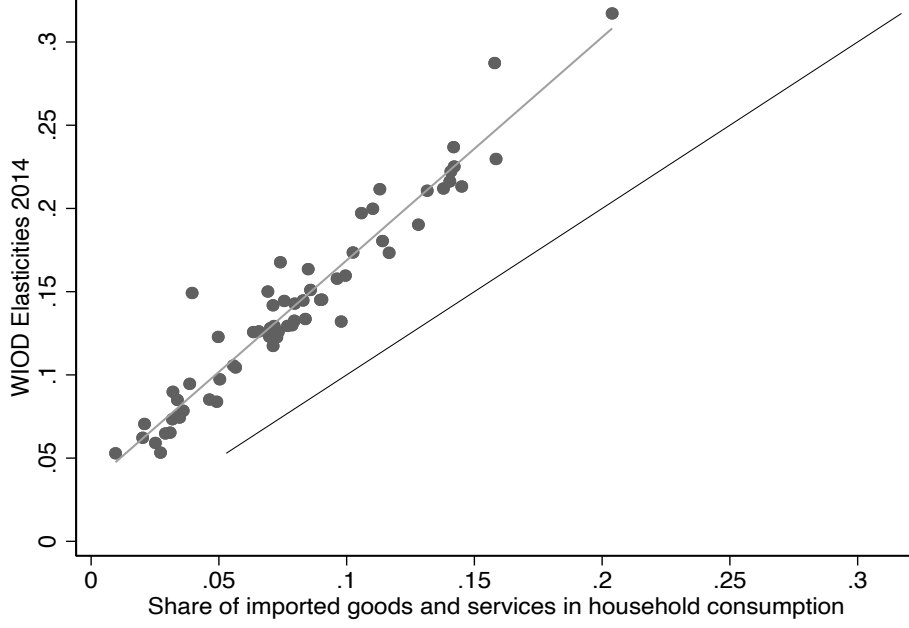


Figure 4: Comparing consumer price elasticity and consumer price elasticity and share of imported consumption for WIOD 2014

Where:

$$\begin{aligned}
 HC^i &= HC^{i,dom} + HC^{i,imp} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \dots \\ \frac{hc_{ij}^i}{hc^i} \\ \dots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{hc_{11}^i}{hc^i} \\ \dots \\ 0 \\ \dots \\ \frac{hc_{IJ}^i}{hc^i} \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

For example,

$$\bar{s}_{i,imp}^{i,HC} = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \dots J \\ k=1 \dots I \\ k \neq i}} s_{kj}^i \cdot \frac{hc_{kj}^i}{hc^i} \tag{12}$$

Figure 5 shows that the prices of imported final consumption have the largest contribution to total effect. Although they account for a smaller share of consumption, they are more susceptible to initial shock. They are also the ones who explain the variations in the magnitude of the elasticities between more or less open economies.

A major part of the shock comes from lower prices for service consumption (Figure 6). This is paradoxical since, on the one hand, services are not imported a lot and, on the other hand, domestic services do not use many imported inputs. Similarly, domestic core inflation accounts for most of the shock effect for the same reason (Figure 7). These two phenomena can be explained by the significant weight in the consumption of services on the one hand and domestic services and non-energy industrial goods on the other hand.

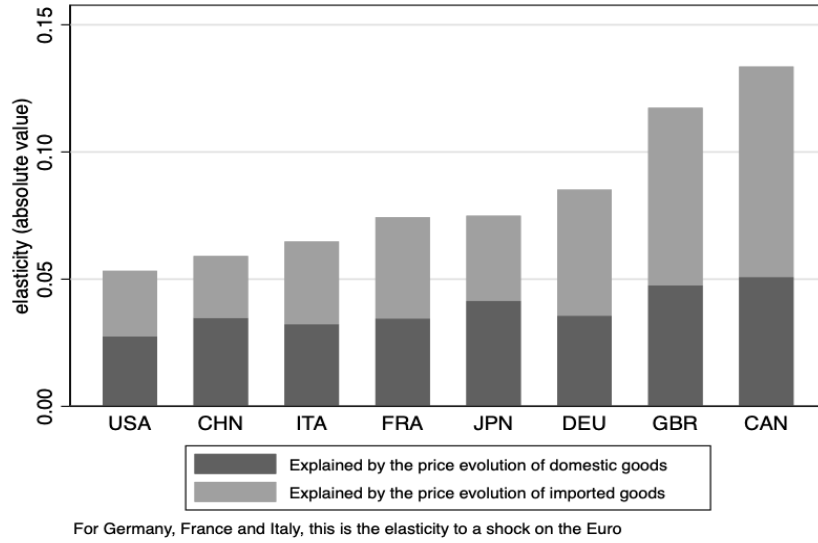


Figure 5: Contribution of imported and domestic goods to the effect on consumer price elasticity of an exchange rate appreciation of 100%

Source: WIOD, 2014

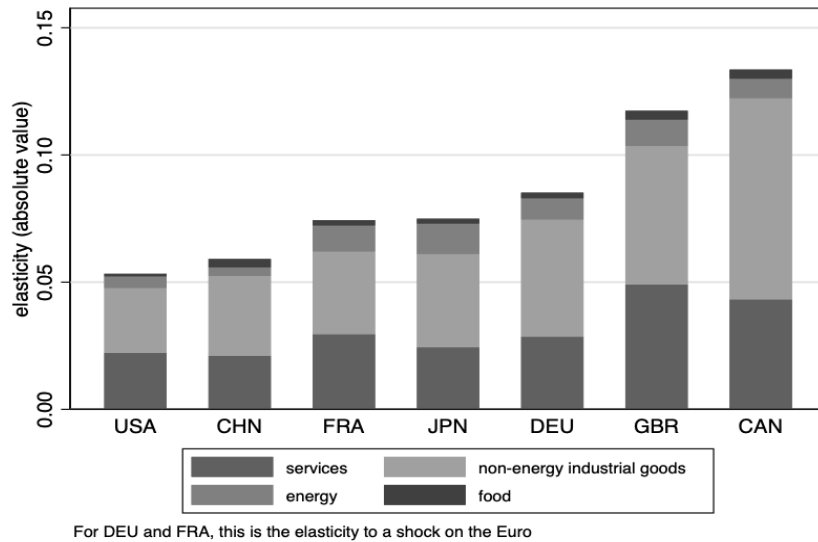


Figure 6: Contribution to consumer price elasticity of different sectors

Source: WIOD, 2014

## 5 Can we extrapolate the the consumer price elasticity?

### 5.1 Doing without the world input-output matrices

One might wonder whether using world input-output matrices provided by WIOD or TIVA to compute the effect of exchange rate shocks on household consumption prices is worth the wait (the latest year covered by WIOD is 2014, and 2015 for TIVA) and the computational complexity.



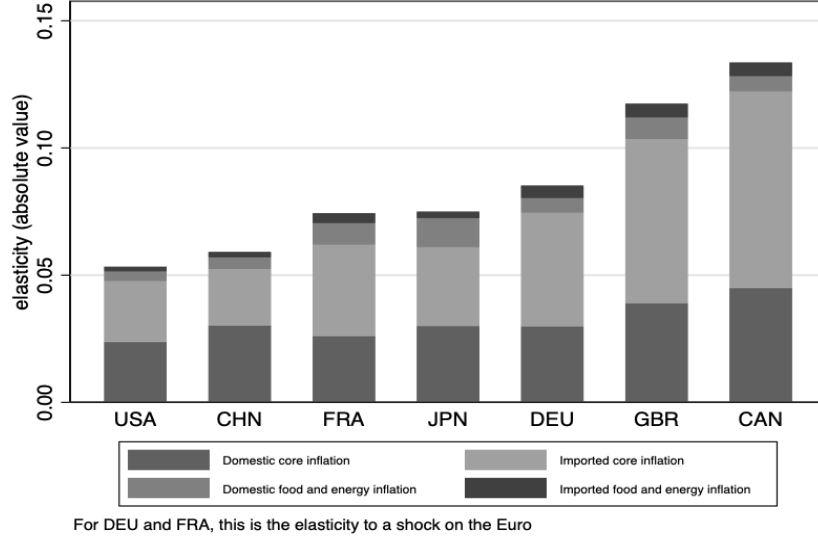


Figure 7: Contribution to consumer price elasticity of different imported or domestic sectors

Source: WIOD, 2014

To answer this question, we break down  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  into different elements classified by ease of use and computation. Let us start from equation 8. We can obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^i &= C^i + \left( \hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} \\
 S^i &= \underbrace{C^i}_{\text{(E1) direct effect through imported consumption goods}} + \underbrace{C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}}}_{\text{(E2) effect on domestic consumption goods through imported inputs}} + \underbrace{\hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B}}_{\text{(E3) effect on imported consumption goods through domestic inputs}} \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\left( \hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} * \mathcal{A}}_{\text{(E4) residual}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

$C^i$  and  $\hat{C}_{\$}^i$  have a large number of zeros. So, we have :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{s}_i^{i,HC} &= S^i \cdot HC^i = E1.HC^i + E2.HC^i + E3.HC^i + E4.HC^i \\
 &= E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom} + E3.HC^{i,imp} + E4.HC^i
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

When the shock corresponds to an appreciation of the domestic currency,  $E1$  and  $E2$  reduce country  $i$ 's household consumption prices and  $E3$  increases country  $i$ 's household consumption prices. Notice that  $E1$  and  $E2$  are easy to compute with national input-output matrices (and do not even require inverting any matrix), whereas world input-output matrices are needed for computing  $E3$  and  $E4$ .

Notice this decomposition is not the same as equation 10. In that equation, we were interested in the contribution of different types of goods to the computed effect of the initial shock. In this equation, we are interested in the different channel through which the shock has an effect.

A first appraisal to the contribution of PIWIM is to compute the share  $E1.HC^{i,imp}$ ,  $E2.HC^{i,dom}$ ,

$E3.HC^{i,imp}$  and  $E4.HC^i$  in  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$ . Figure 8 provides the result.  $E3.HC^{i,imp}$  is very small,  $E1.HC^{i,imp}$  dominates. But, for most countries,  $E4.HC^i$  represent between 10% and 30% of  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$ . China is an important exception.

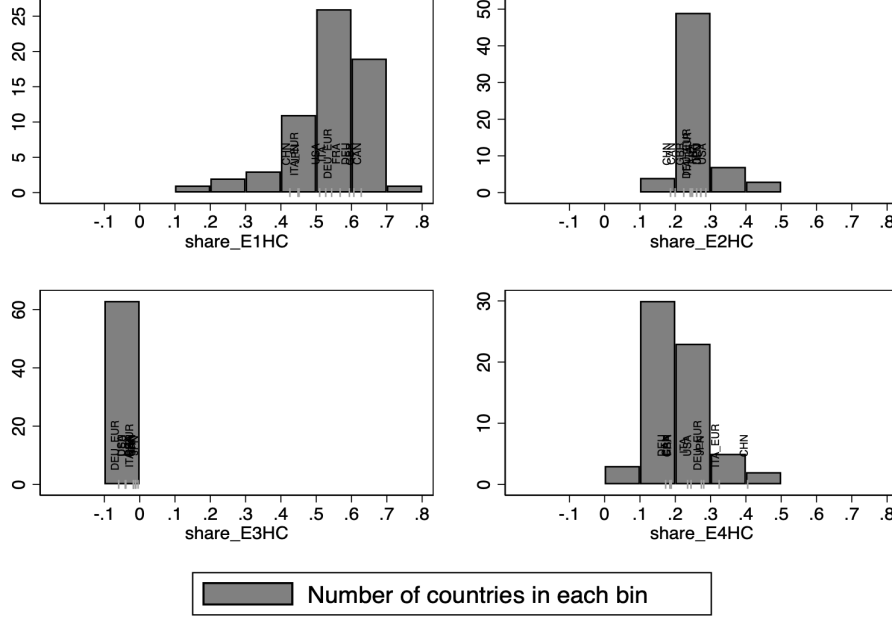


Figure 8: **Decomposition of  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$**

Source: WIOD, 2014

Yet, the relative importance of  $E4.HC^i$  might not be too much of an issue if it can be deducted from the easier-to-compute elements of  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$ .

$E3.HC^{i,imp}$  does not require inverting a matrix, but it is still quite data-intensive to compute. As a result, we study whether we can deduct  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  from  $E1.HC^{i,imp}$  and  $E2.HC^{i,dom}$ . Figure 9 depicts the relationship between  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  and  $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$  according to equation 15. It shows that  $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$  is a good predictor of  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  (the  $R^2$  is over 0.98).

$$\bar{s}_i^{i,HC} = \alpha + \beta \left( E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom} \right) + \varepsilon_i \quad (15)$$

We can check if that relationship is constant through time by estimating yearly cross-sections of 15. Excepting to some extent 2009, they show it is the case (see Figures 10 and 11).

The same results mostly stand using the TiVA databases (see Appendix C). The functional form might seem a bit counterintuitive (one might expect that the elasticity is affine function of openness as summarized by E1), but the analytical examination of the two countries, one sector case, shows that it is plausible (see Appendix D).

Back to the main point, it turns out that we do not gain much by inverting matrixes. Of course, this realization is only possible because we were able to compute  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  in the first place. Still, it suggests that we could extrapolate the elasticities for not-yet-released years, as long as we have the share of imported goods in household consumption and the share of imported inputs in household consumption of domestic goods.

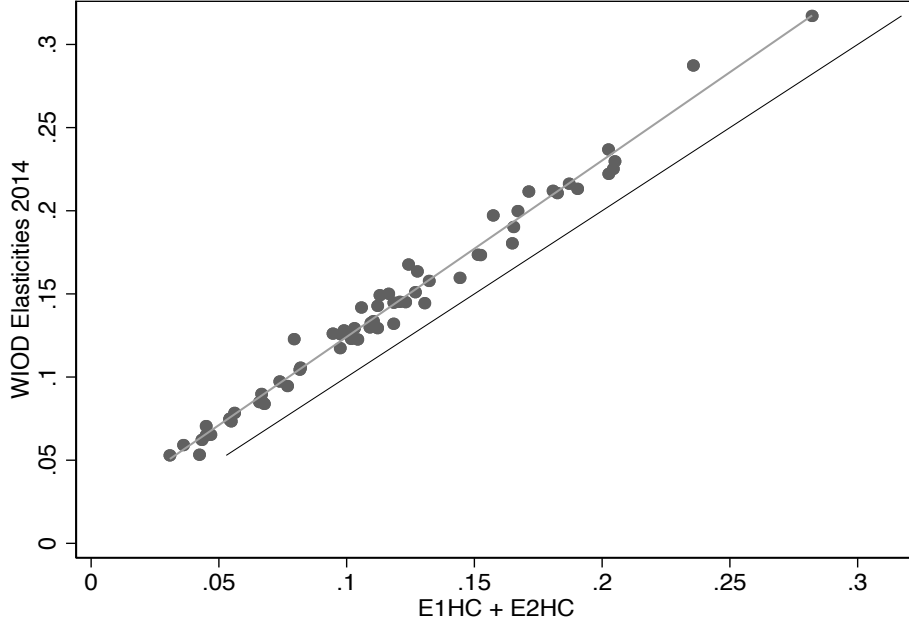


Figure 9: Comparing  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  and  $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$

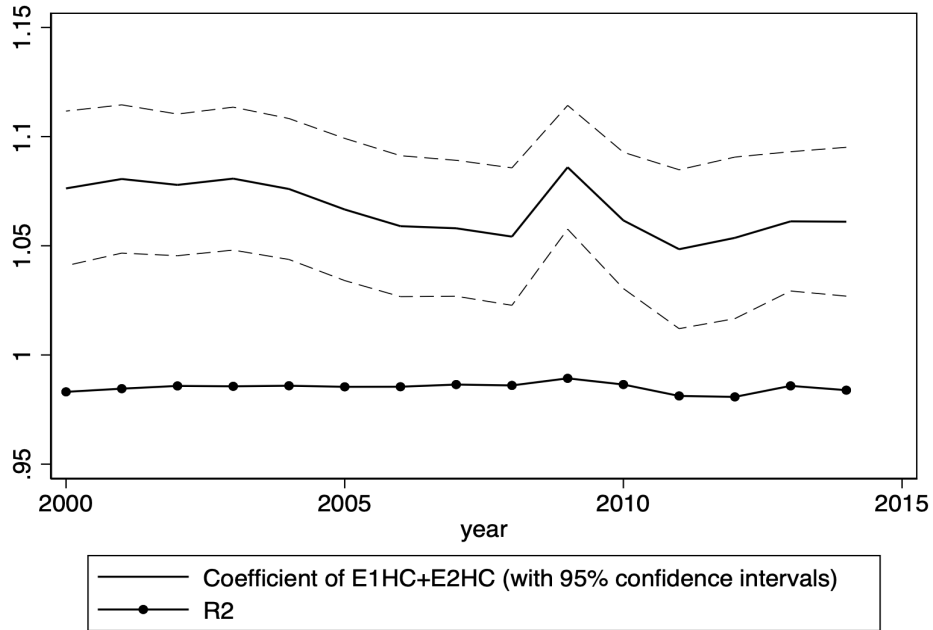


Figure 10: Evolution of  $\beta$  and  $R^2$  through time (WIOD)

## 5.2 Doing without TiVA and WIOD, but keeping Eurostat

Yet, these two data pieces are not actually easy to obtain for a large number of countries and a large number of years. They are not routinely computed by national statistical institutes. We have to use a proxy. It is fairly easy to identify consumption and intermediary goods imports using UN Comtrade data and the BEC classification. The World Bank provides regular estimates

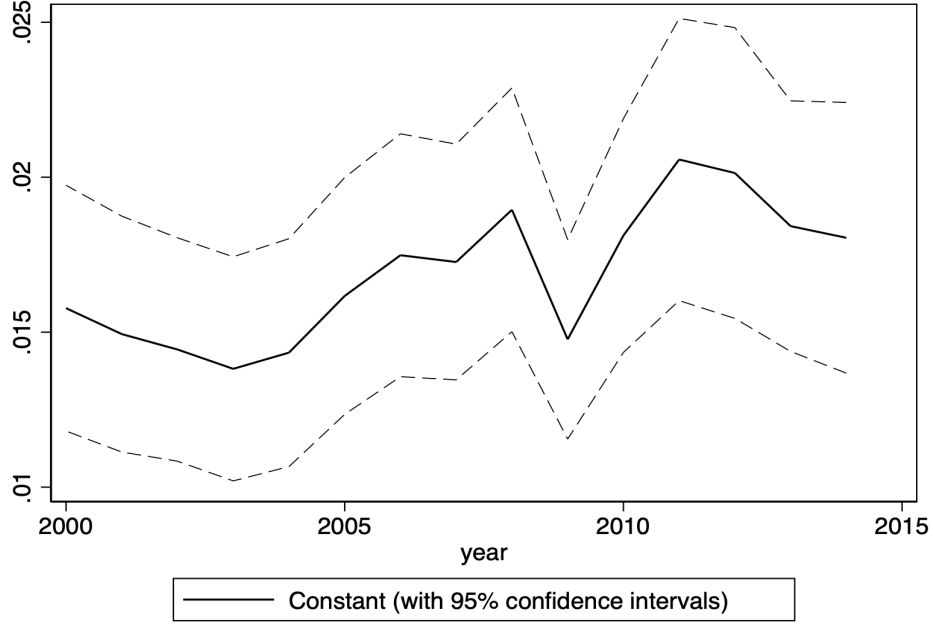


Figure 11: **Evolution of  $\alpha$  through time (WIOD)**

of household consumption.<sup>3</sup> It does not provide an estimate for intermediate consumptions. In the case of European countries<sup>4</sup>, Eurostat does provide this last number<sup>5</sup>.

Combining these three data sources allows the computation of the share of imported consumption goods in household consumption and the share of imported inputs in all inputs.

This allows the mimicking of equation 15 by equation 16. Again, we can estimate successive cross-sections of equation 16 to see if the proxy is good enough.

$$\bar{s}_i^{i,HC} = \alpha + \beta \left[ \frac{\text{imported consumption goods}_i}{\text{household consumption}_i} + \frac{\text{imported intermediate goods}_i}{\text{intermediate consumption}_i} * \left( 1 - \frac{\text{imported consumption goods}_i}{\text{household consumption}_i} \right) \right] + \varepsilon_i \quad (16)$$

In the same way, Figure 12 mimicks Figure 10. The results are not as encouraging : the  $R^2$  is smaller and declining through time, and the estimated coefficient is not constant.

Yet, estimating successive cross-sections is a pretty demanding test to establish a link between the elasticity computed by PIWIM based on WIOD data and "public" data assembled from various sources. It does not allow to exploit country-specific information of the link between the elasticity and public data. A less demanding test is to run a panel with country fixed-effects, assuming that  $\beta$  is constant through time but that it applies only to within-country variations of the proxy for E1HC + E2HC (see equation 17).

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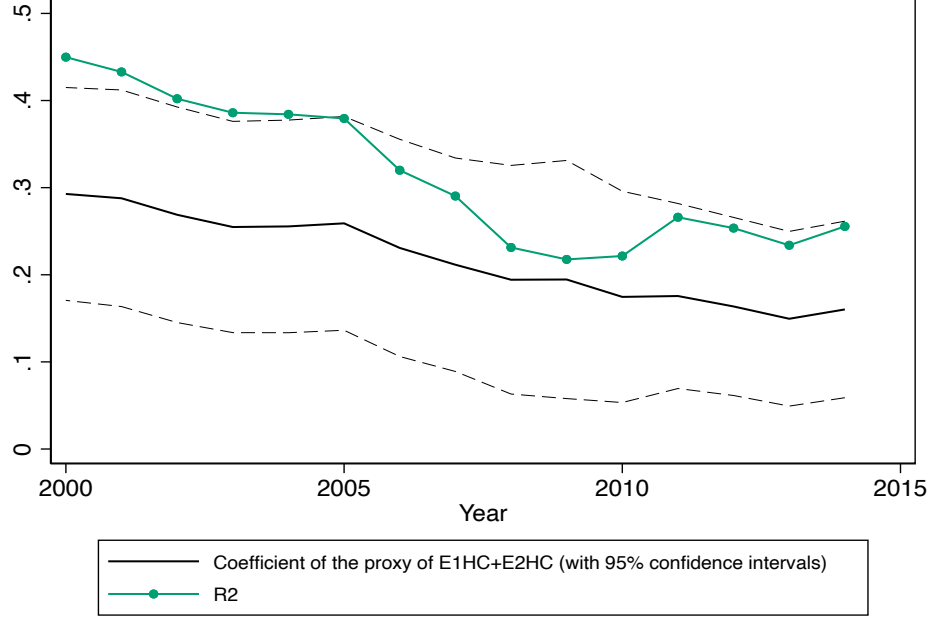


Figure 12: Evolution of  $\beta$  and  $R^2$  through time (WIOD) using Eurostat data to build a proxy of E1HC + E2HC (limited number of countries)

$$\bar{s}_{i,t}^{i,t,HC} = \alpha + \beta \left[ \frac{\text{imported consumption goods}_{i,t}}{\text{household consumption}_{i,t}} + \frac{\text{imported intermediate goods}_{i,t}}{\text{intermediate consumption}_{i,t}} * \left( 1 - \frac{\text{imported consumption goods}_{i,t}}{\text{household consumption}_{i,t}} \right) \right] + f e_i + \varepsilon_{i,t} \quad (17)$$

Running this panel from 2000 to 2008, we then estimate the out of sample elasticity for each country in 2014. This is very close from the WIOD-computed elasticity (see Figure 13). It is very encouraging: it suggests that the available data (2000-2014) could help predict the WIOD elasticities in 2020, making this an useful prediction tool.

### 5.3 Doing without Eurostat

We can go even further and notice that requiring data on both intermediate consumption and household consumption dramatically reduces the number of countries we can include in our exercise. It is possible to use an even simpler proxy for E1HC+E2HC that requires only trade data from Comtrade and GDP data from the World Bank. The use of this proxy allows us to include many more countries in the new panel (see equation 18).

$$\bar{s}_{i,t}^{i,t,HC} = \alpha + \beta \left[ \frac{\text{imported consumption goods}_{i,t}}{\text{GDP}_{i,t}} + \frac{\text{imported intermediate goods}_{i,t}}{\text{GDP}_{i,t}} \right] + f e_i + \varepsilon_{i,t} \quad (18)$$

The out-of-sample prediction is still pretty good even if the mean and the median errors are larger (see Figure 14). This result carries to the other two databases we are using (revision 3 and revision 4 of TIVA)<sup>6</sup>.

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<sup>6</sup>Results are available upon request

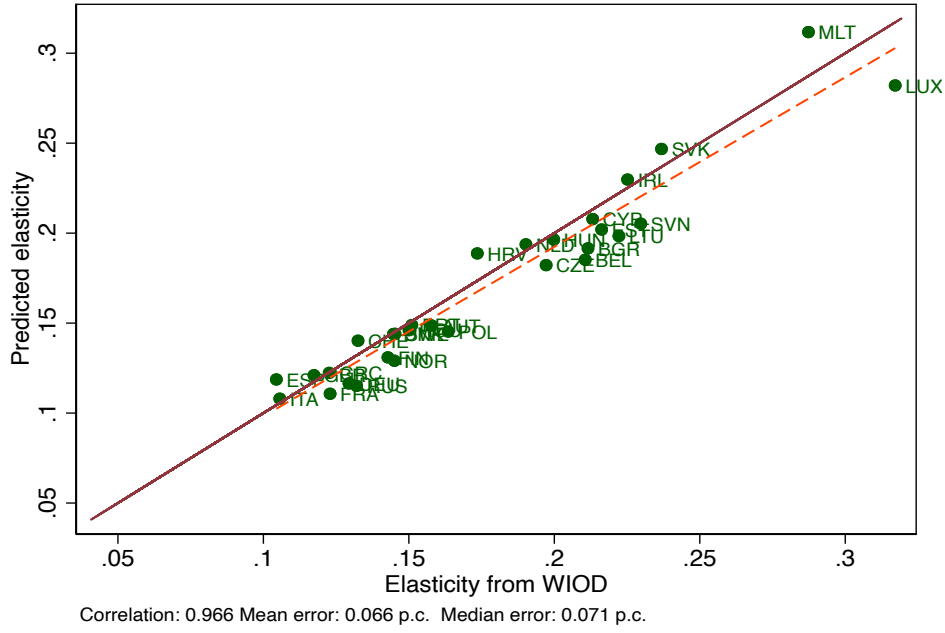


Figure 13: Comparing the elasticity computed from WIOD in 2014 with the one predicted from a panel regression between 2000 and 2008

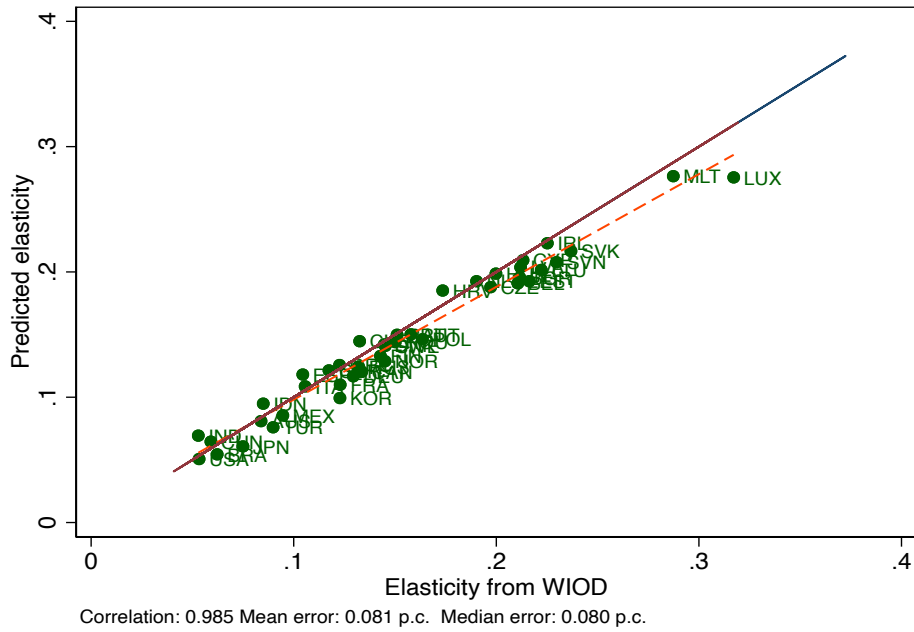


Figure 14: Comparing the elasticity computed from WIOD in 2014 with the one predicted from a panel regression between 2000 and 2008

## 6 Conclusion

This paper has measured the accounting effect of exchange rate fluctuations on consumer prices fully taking into account the existence global value chains over twenty years (from 1995 to 2005). This can be measured as an elasticity of domestic consumer prices to a shock on the value of

domestic currency. This elasticity varies between 0.05 and 0.35 depending on the countries of interest. It is directly correlated with the openness rate. It is higher for more open (and hence smaller) countries. The output weighted elasticity has been rising by 25 per cent from 1995 to 2008, from 0.08 to 0.1 according to the third revision of the TiVA database. It contracted in 2009 and stabilized at a smaller level than 2008's according to WIOD and the fourth revision of the TiVA database. WIOD and the fourth revision of TiVA yields very similar results for the level of the elasticity. These results are smaller than the ones obtained from the third revision of TiVA, but have a very similar time profile when comparison is possible.

A major part of the sensitivity of consumer prices to the exchange rates comes from prices for service consumption and prices of "domestic core" sectors. This can be easily explained by the large share of these sectors in household consumption.

The contribution of first-round effects on imported final and intermediate goods in domestic consumption, explains the bulk (around three-quarters) of the propagation of global shocks to domestic prices. By contrast, we find a limited role for the additional transmission of lower domestic input prices to other sectors of the domestic economy and other countries occurring during subsequent production cycles. The first-round effects are a good predictor of the total effects. Intriguingly, most of the non-first round effects add to the first round effects rather than amplifying them. We show numerically that something similar exists in the two-country, one sector case.

Finally, we show that the findings of the data-hungry exercise of computing the elasticity of domestic consumes prices to a shock on the exchange rate using the full set of World Input-Output tables can be extrapolated for periods when the World Input-Output tables are not available by using such easily obtainable statistics as GDP and BEC-classified trade statistics. This is good news for economic forecasters who want to evaluate the role of supply chains diffusion of price shocks in current economic events.

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## A WIOD Sectors

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<b>A01</b>	Crop and animal production, hunting and related service activities
<b>A02</b>	Forestry and logging
<b>A03</b>	Fishing and aquaculture
<b>B</b>	Mining and quarrying
<b>C10-C12</b>	Manufacture of food products, beverages and tobacco products
<b>C13-C15</b>	Manufacture of textiles, wearing apparel and leather products
<b>C16</b>	Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; articles of straw and plaiting materials
<b>C17</b>	Manufacture of paper and paper products
<b>C18</b>	Printing and reproduction of recorded media
<b>C19</b>	Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products
<b>C20</b>	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products
<b>C21</b>	Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations
<b>C22</b>	Manufacture of rubber and plastic products
<b>C23</b>	Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products
<b>C24</b>	Manufacture of basic metals
<b>C25</b>	Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment
<b>C26</b>	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products
<b>C27</b>	Manufacture of electrical equipment
<b>C28</b>	Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.
<b>C29</b>	Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers
<b>C30</b>	Manufacture of other transport equipment
<b>C31-C32</b>	Manufacture of furniture; other manufacturing
<b>C33</b>	Repair and installation of machinery and equipment
<b>D35</b>	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
<b>E36</b>	Water collection, treatment and supply
<b>E37-E39</b>	Sewerage and other waste management services
<b>F</b>	Construction
<b>G45</b>	Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
<b>G46</b>	Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles
<b>G47</b>	Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles
<b>H49</b>	Land transport and transport via pipelines
<b>H50</b>	Water transport
<b>H51</b>	Air transport
<b>H52</b>	Warehousing and support activities for transportation
<b>H53</b>	Postal and courier activities
<b>I</b>	Accommodation and food service activities
<b>J58</b>	Publishing activities
<b>J59-J60</b>	Motion picture, video and television programme production; programming and broadcasting activities
<b>J61</b>	Telecommunications
<b>J62-J63</b>	Computer programming, consultancy; information service activities
<b>K64</b>	Financial service activities, except insurance and pension funding
<b>K65</b>	Insurance, reinsurance and pension funding, except compulsory social security
<b>K66</b>	Activities auxiliary to financial services and insurance activities
<b>L68</b>	Real estate activities
<b>M69-M70</b>	Legal and accounting activities
<b>M71</b>	Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis
<b>M72</b>	Scientific research and development
<b>M73</b>	Advertising and market research
<b>M74-M75</b>	Other professional, scientific and technical activities; veterinary activities
<b>N</b>	Administrative and support service activities
<b>O84</b>	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
<b>P85</b>	Education
<b>Q</b>	Human health and social work activities
<b>R-S</b>	Other service activities
<b>T</b>	Activities of households as employers; producing activities of households for own use
<b>U</b>	Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies

Table 3: Industries in WIOD

## B Contrasting $S$ and $S^i$ in the two-country, one sector case

In this appendix, we illustrate in the two countries and one good case the difference between a simple price shock (section 3.1) and an exchange rate shock (section 3.3)

### B.1 Effect of a price shock based of VA contents

Using the notations of the paper, we have in the two countries and one good case:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{pmatrix} \\
 I - \mathcal{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - a_{1,1} & -a_{1,2} \\ -a_{2,1} & 1 - a_{2,2} \end{pmatrix} \\
 (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} &= \frac{1}{(1 - a_{1,1})(1 - a_{2,2}) - a_{2,1}a_{1,2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - a_{2,2} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & 1 - a_{1,1} \end{pmatrix} = z. \begin{pmatrix} 1 - a_{2,2} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & 1 - a_{1,1} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ w & x \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{Country 1 demand shares} &= d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - f \\ f \end{pmatrix} \\
 (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} d &= \begin{pmatrix} u - uf + vf \\ w - wf + xf \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

In that case, when a shock  $c$  occurs on the prices of country 2 (the currency does not matter here), we can write the following initial shock vector :  $C = (0, c)$ . In the first instance, this has an impact on prices  $C\mathcal{A}$ , and then  $C\mathcal{A}^2$ , etc. Hence the total effect of the shock  $S$  is:

$$S = C + C\mathcal{A} + C\mathcal{A}^2 \dots = C(I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} cw & cx \end{pmatrix}$$

To measure the effect on French consumption prices, we do a weighted sum of these effects.

$$\bar{s} = c. [(1 - f)w + xf] = c. \frac{(1 - f)a_{2,1} + f(1 - a_{1,1})}{(1 - a_{1,1})(1 - a_{2,2}) - a_{2,1}a_{1,2}} \quad (19)$$

If each nation's production only uses national inputs, we have a plausible :

$$\bar{s} = c. \frac{f}{1 - a_{2,2}}$$

### B.2 Exchange rate shock

Again using the notations in the paper, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
C &= \left(0, \frac{-c_{\$}}{1 + c_{\$}}\right) = (0, -c) \\
C_{\$} &= (c_{\$}, 0) \\
\tilde{C}_{\$} &= (0, -c_{\$}) \\
\hat{C}_{\$} &= \left(\frac{c_{\$}}{1 + c_{\$}}, 0\right) = (c, 0) \\
\mathcal{B} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{1,2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
\tilde{\mathcal{B}} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a_{2,1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= (0, c) + [(0, -c.a_{1,2}) + (c.a_{2,1}, 0)] * \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ w & x \end{pmatrix} \\
&= (0, c) + (c.a_{2,1}, -c.a_{1,2}) * \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ w & x \end{pmatrix} \\
&= (0, c) + (u.c.a_{2,1} - w.c.a_{1,2}, v.c.a_{2,1} - x.c.a_{1,2}) \\
&= (u.c.a_{2,1} - w.c.a_{1,2}, c + v.c.a_{2,1} - x.c.a_{1,2})
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{s} &= (u.c.a_{2,1} - w.c.a_{1,2}, c + v.c.a_{2,1} - x.c.a_{1,2}) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 - f \\ f \end{pmatrix} \\
\bar{s} &= c[f(1 + v.a_{2,1} - x.a_{1,2}) + (1 - f)(u.a_{2,1} - w.a_{1,2})]
\end{aligned}$$

If each nation's production only uses national inputs, we have a plausible

$$\bar{s} = c.f$$

This confirms that an exchange rate shock is not the same as a price shock.

### C Comparing $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$ and $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$ in the TIVA rev 3 and TIVA rev4 databases

Figures 15, 16 and 17 for TIVA rev3 and Figures 18, 19 and 20 for TIVA rev 4 show that one can get a good prediction of the accounting effects of an exchange rate shock on consumption prices by using simply the share of imported final consumption goods and services and the share of imported intermediary consumption goods in domestic final consumption goods and services.

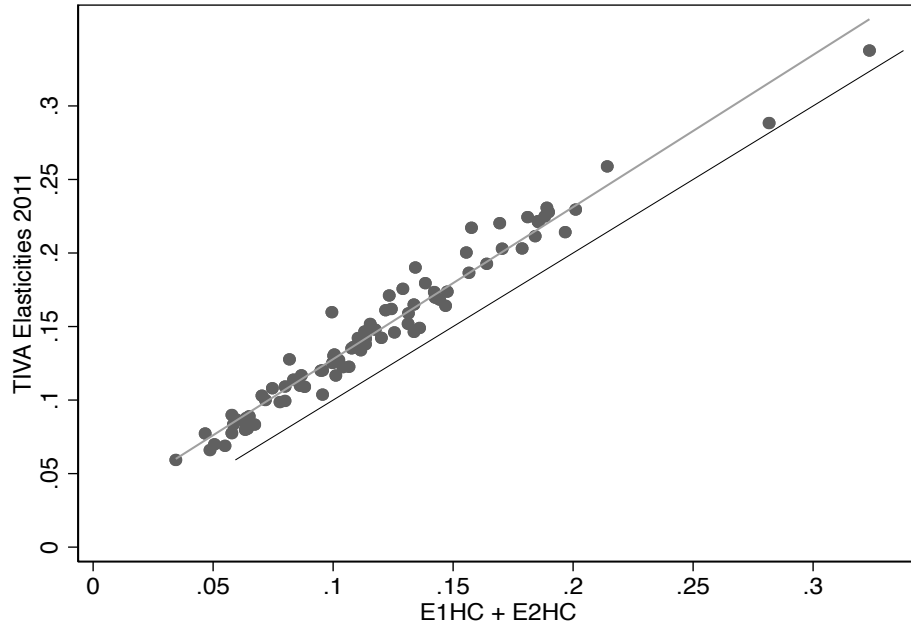


Figure 15: Comparing  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  and  $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$  (TIVA rev3)

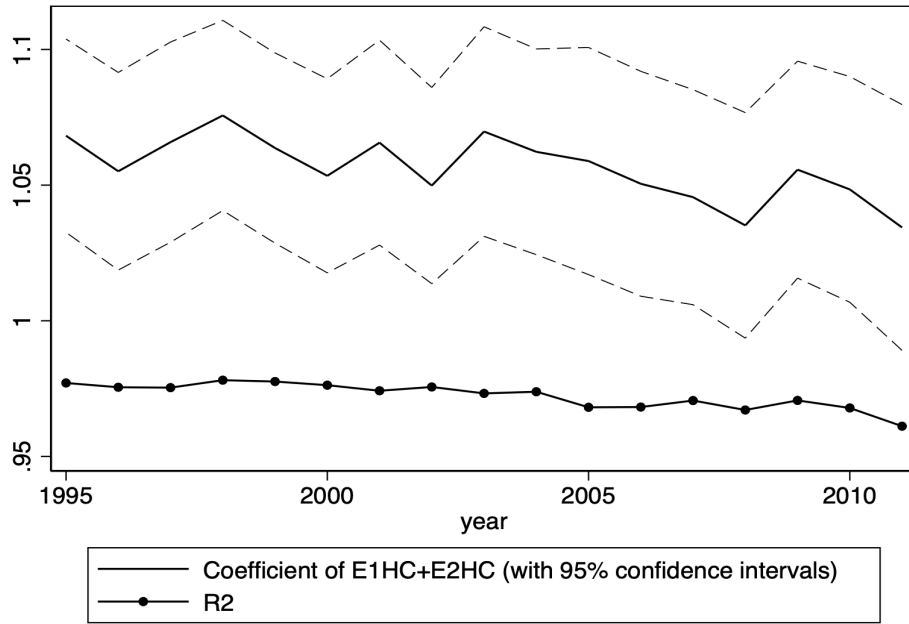


Figure 16: Evolution of  $\beta$  and  $R^2$  through time (TIVA rev3)

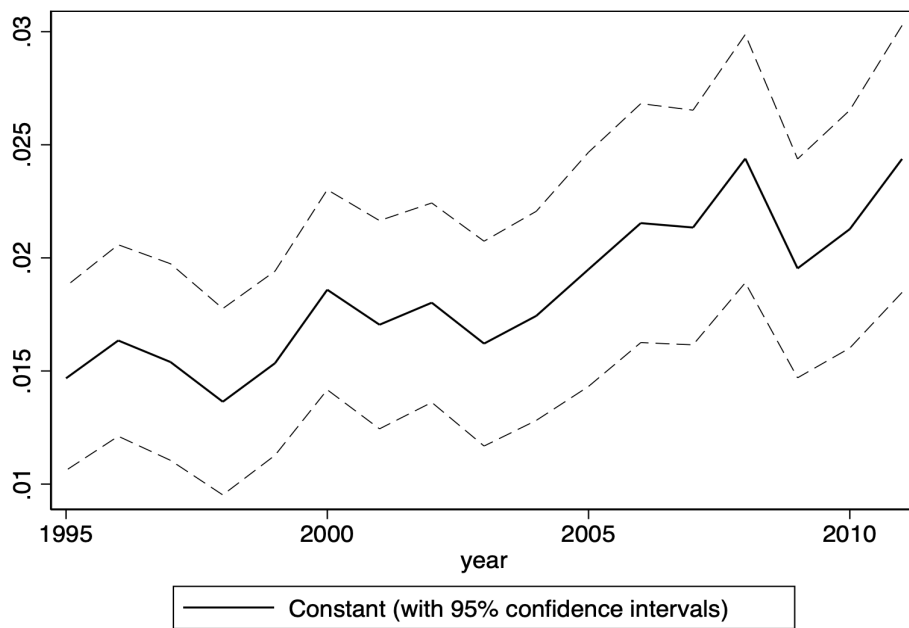


Figure 17: Evolution of  $\alpha$  through time (TIVA rev3)

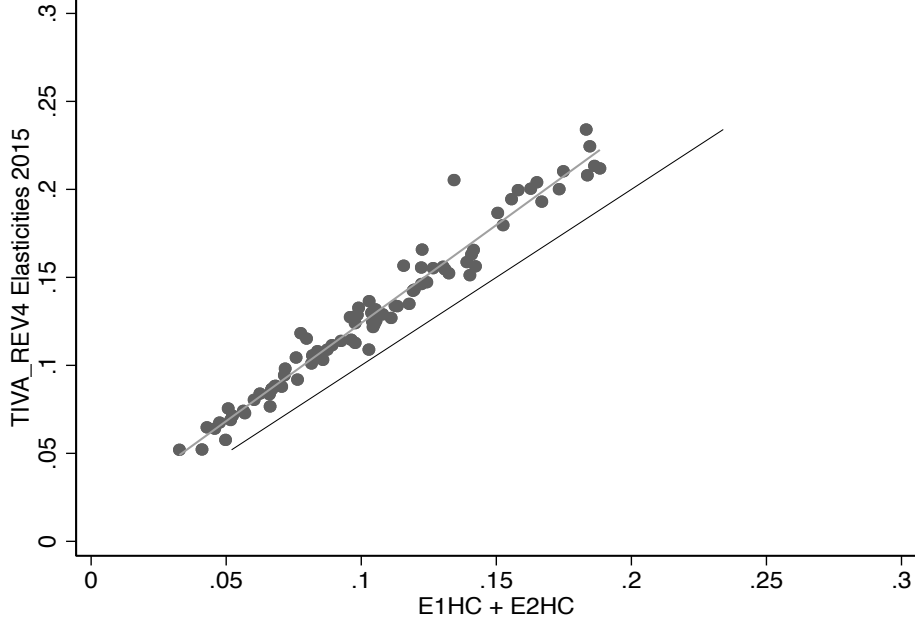


Figure 18: Comparing  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  and  $E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom}$  (TIVA rev 4)

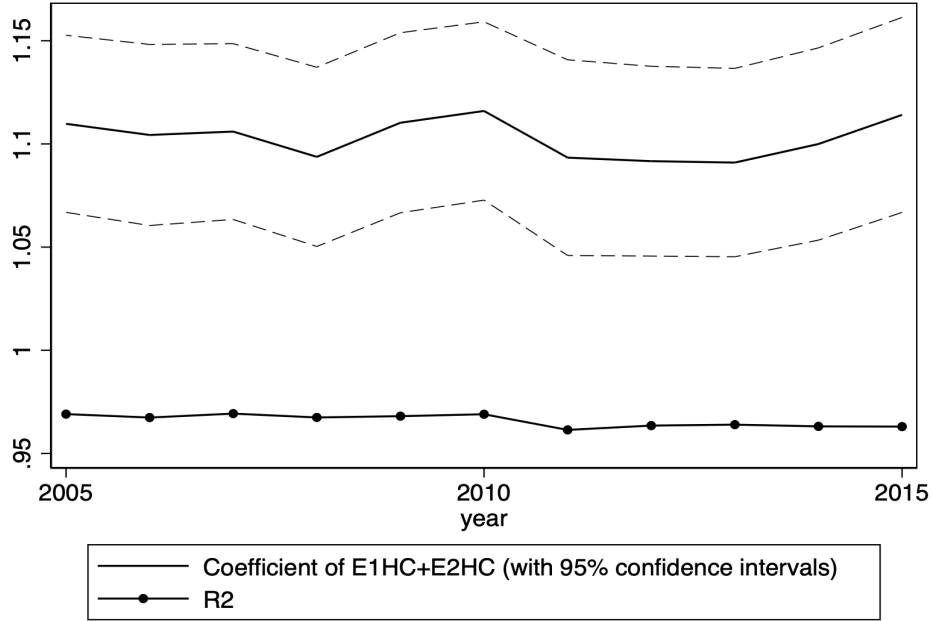


Figure 19: Evolution of  $\beta$  and  $R^2$  through time (TIVA rev 4)

## D Studying the decomposition of the shock in the two country one sector case

### D.1 Presenting the issue

As a reminder from the paper, where  $\bar{s}_i^{i,HC}$  is the effect of an exchange rate shock on consumption prices :

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{s}_i^{i,HC} &= S^i.HC^i = E1.HC^i + E2.HC^i + E3.HC^i + E4.HC^i \\ &= E1.HC^{i,imp} + E2.HC^{i,dom} + E3.HC^{i,imp} + E4.HC^i\end{aligned}\tag{20}$$



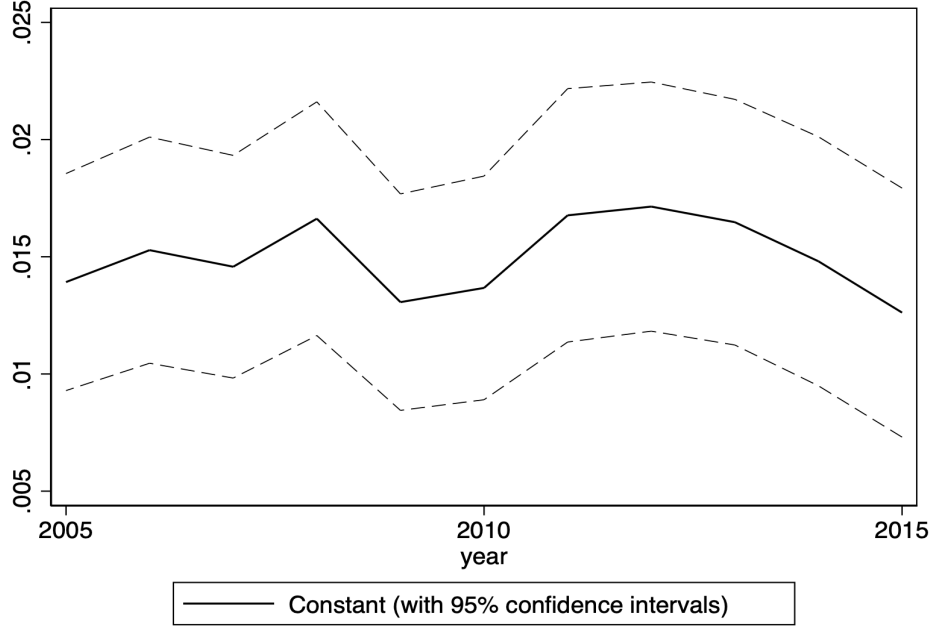


Figure 20: Evolution of  $\alpha$  through time (TIVA rev 4)

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^i &= C^i + \left( \hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} \\
 S^i &= \underbrace{C^i}_{\text{(E1) direct effect through imported consumption goods}} + \underbrace{C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}}}_{\text{(E2) effect on domestic consumption goods through imported inputs}} + \underbrace{\hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B}}_{\text{(E3) effect on imported consumption goods through domestic inputs}} \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\left( \hat{C}_{\$}^i \cdot \mathcal{B} + C^i \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \right) * (I - \mathcal{A})^{-1} * \mathcal{A}}_{\text{(E4) residual}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

When the shock corresponds to an appreciation of the domestic currency,  $E1$  and  $E2$  reduce country  $i$ 's household consumption prices and  $E3$  increases country  $i$ 's household consumption prices. Notice that  $E1$  and  $E2$  are easy to compute with national input-output matrices, whereas world input-output matrices are needed for computing  $E3$  and  $E4$ .

We have the strange result that  $E3 + E4$  seems to be constant, whatever the openness rate of the economy (see Figure 9)

Let us see what happens in a 2 country, 1 sector economy :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E1 &= C = (0, -c) \\
 E2 &= C \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{B}} = (0, -c) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a_{2,1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = (-c \cdot a_{2,1}, 0) \\
 E3 &= (c, 0) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{1,2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = (0, c \cdot a_{1,2})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E1.HC &= (0, -c) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1-f \\ f \end{pmatrix} = -f \cdot c \\
E2.HC &= (-c \cdot a_{2,1}, 0) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1-f \\ f \end{pmatrix} = -c \cdot a_{2,1} \cdot (1-f) \\
E3.HC &= (0, c \cdot a_{1,2}) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1-f \\ f \end{pmatrix} = f \cdot c \cdot a_{1,2}
\end{aligned}$$

We do not loose any generality by normalizing the shock  $c$  to 1.

And, developed from SAGE :

$$\bar{s} - E1.HC - E2.HC = \left( -\frac{a_{12}a_{21}^2 - a_{11}a_{21}a_{22} + (a_{11} - a_{12})a_{21} - (a_{12}a_{21}^2 - a_{11}a_{21}a_{22} - (a_{11} - 1)a_{12} + (a_{11} - 2a_{12})a_{21})f}{a_{12}a_{21} - (a_{11} - 1)a_{22} + a_{11} - 1} \right) f \quad (22)$$

In order to be able to study the symbolic form, we assume:  $\frac{a_{1,1}}{a_{2,1}} = \frac{1-f}{f}$  and  $a_{1,1} + a_{2,1} = a$ .  
So  $a_{1,1} = (1-f)a$  and  $a_{2,1} = fa$ .

Then:

$$\bar{s} - E1.HC - E2.HC = \left( -\frac{(a^2a_{12} + a^2a_{22} - a^2)f^3 - (2a^2a_{22} - 2a^2 + (a^2 + a)a_{12})f^2 + (a^2a_{22} - a^2 + a_{12})f}{(a-1)a_{22} - (aa_{12} + aa_{22} - a)f - a + 1} \right) \quad (23)$$

According to SAGE, the derivative of this according to  $f$  is:

$$\left( -\frac{((a^2a_{12} + a^2a_{22} - a^2)f^3 - (2a^2a_{22} - 2a^2 + (a^2 + a)a_{12})f^2 + (a^2a_{22} - a^2 + a_{12})f)(aa_{12} + aa_{22} - a)}{(a-1)a_{22} - (aa_{12} + aa_{22} - a)f - a + 1} - \frac{a^2a_{22} + 3(a^2a_{12} + a^2a_{22} - a^2)f^2 - a^2 - 2(2a^2a_{22} - 2a^2 + (a^2 + a)a_{12})f + a_{12}}{(a-1)a_{22} - (aa_{12} + aa_{22} - a)f - a + 1} \right)$$

The sign of this expression is difficult to study. We hence move to a numerical application.

## D.2 Numerical application

From WIOD2014, we can compute the ration between VA and production. The computation with the WIOD data is :  $\text{egen total} = \text{rowtotal}(\text{vAUS1} - \text{vROW})$  and then  $(161-74)/161=54\%$ .

For simplification, we assume that the ratio is equal to 0.5.

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{1,1} + a_{1,2} &= a_{2,1} + a_{2,2} = 50\% \\
\frac{a_{1,2}}{a_{1,1} + a_{1,2}} &= f \\
a_{2,1} &= 0.48 \\
a_{2,2} &= 0.02
\end{aligned}$$

In that case:

$$\bar{s} - E1.HC - E2.HC = \frac{-0.125 f^3 + 0.245 f^2 - 0.11 f}{-0.25 f - 0.26}$$

Which yields Figures 21 and 22.

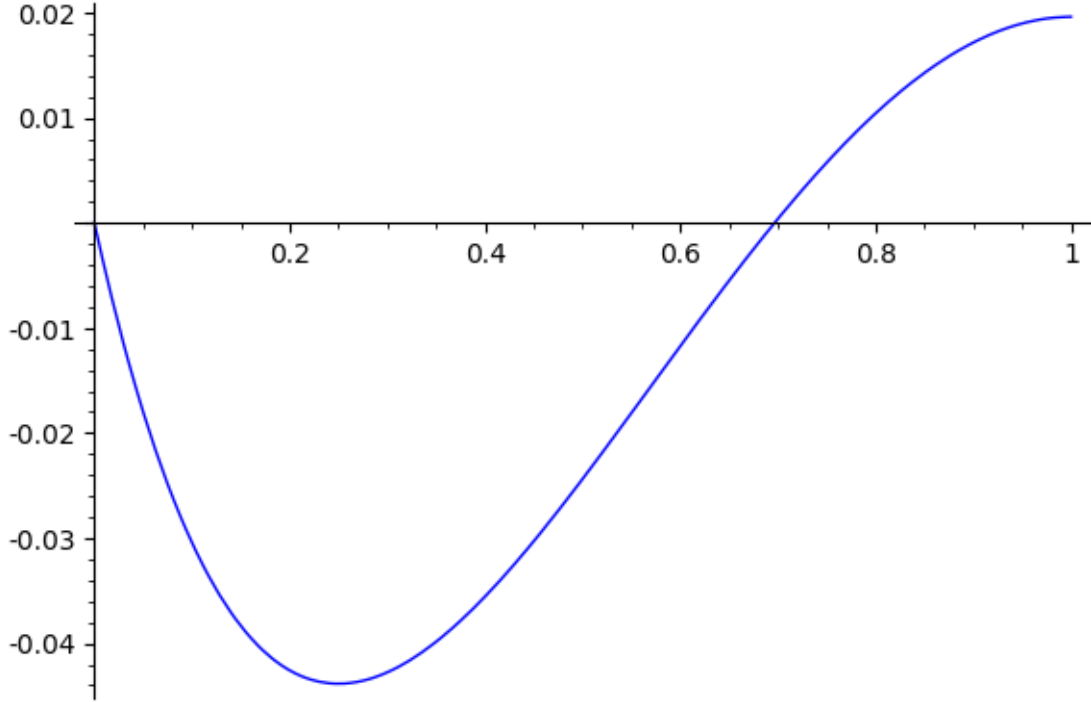


Figure 21:  $\bar{s} - E1.HC - E2.HC$  as a function of the openness rate

Actual openness rates in the sample vary between 0.15 and 0.5. In that zone, the relationship between the openness rate and the residual is not monotonous (see Figure 21).

Figure 22 confirms that, in that numerical exercise, the total effect is dominated by the direct effect through imported consumption goods and, to a lesser extent, the effect on domestic consumption goods through imported inputs. The other effects are approximately additive if the openness rate is between 0.15 and 0.5.

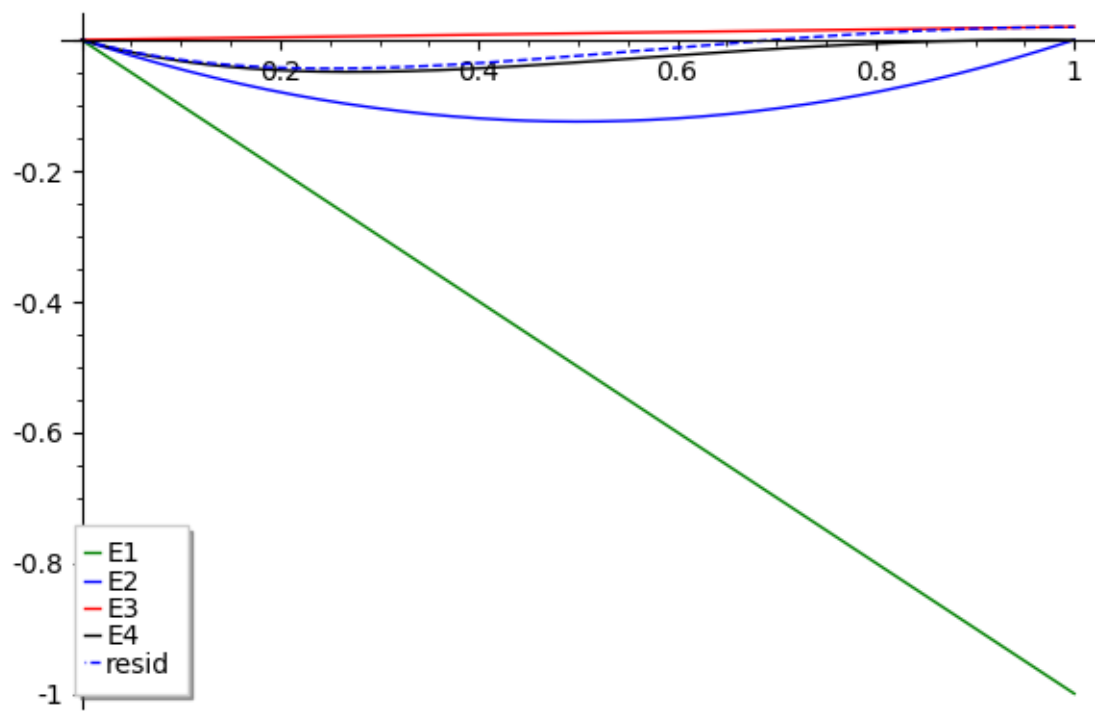


Figure 22: E1.HC, E2.HC, E3.HC, E4.HC and the "residual" ( $\bar{s} - E1.HC - E2.HC$ ) as a function of the openness rate