GROSS AND NET EMPLOYMENT EFFECTS: MAIN DIFFERENCES AND INTERPRETATION

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Example: RET and Employment

Observation: Many impact studies, diverging results, different methodological approaches, system boundaries and assumptions \rightarrow review of impact studies (IEA-RETD Employ Project):

- lot of impact assessment studies have been conducted
- each defines gross or net impact individually → definition of gross and net impacts is necessary:
 - Gross impact studies are less complex and less expensive. These studies show only a part of the picture, but they are useful to show regional effects, required qualification (area), technology specific effects, ...
 - Net impact studies include positive and negative effects that occur beyond the RE industry and its upstream industry → they show a net benefit
- clearly formulated data requirements, but data availability is a problem



RET: overview of identified effects

Positive effects (+): \rightarrow job increases	Negative effects (-): \rightarrow job losses	effects
increase in investment in RET	displaced investment in conventional generation technology	direct \rightarrow indirect
increase in O&M in RE generation	displaced O&M in conventional power generation	direct $ ightarrow$ indirect
increase in fuel demand (biomass)	decrease in fossil fuel demand	direct $ ightarrow$ indirect
increase in trade of RE technology and fuel (biomass)	decrease in trade of conventional technology and fossil fuels	direct \rightarrow indirect
higher household income from employment in RE industry	lower household income from employment in CE industry	induced type 1
decreased electricity price for households and industry due to merit-order effect, CO ₂ pricing, etc.	increased electricity price for households (budget effect) and industry (cost effect) due to additional generation cost of RE-based power generation	induced type 2



RET: causal chain- from activities to impacts





RET: causal chain - from impulses to effects





RET: Causal Chain- from effects to impacts

Effects can be positive or negative:

- **direct** (within the RE or CE industry)
- **indirect** (in the upstream industry of the RE or CE industry)
- induced via prices and income generated in RE or CE industries affecting sectors (via consumption) beyond the RE or CE industry and its upstream industries

Effects add up to an impact:





RET: Deciding on modelling approaches





RET: Sectoral employment of selected countries



Assessment based on the gross IO-approach for RETD-countries (RET power generation, 2009)



Innovation and Employment?

Do we really capture all relevant impacts of innovation ?

- expenditures for R&D? \rightarrow activity
- lower technology costs? \rightarrow investment and O&M expenditures
- new products or processes \rightarrow ?

Which effects occur through innovation?

 the same as with RET deployment ? → check by an illustrative example e.g. ice harvesting industry



Example: Cooling industry and employment

Example "Ice harvesting industry" (II):

1811 - 1940

- harvesting: development of plough harvesting machines,
 → price decreases
- storing: standards for ice cubes
 → price decreases
- transporting: improvment in isolation and transportation
 → price decreases

radical innovation:

- freezer (1868), refrigerators (FT)
- 1940 no ice harvesting industry



Company



Cooling industry: overview of effects

Use the same effects as before,

only replace RE and CE by FT and II, **but**

Positive effects \rightarrow job increases	Negative effects \rightarrow job losses	Type of effect	
increase in investment in FT industry and upstream industry	displaced investment in II in- dustry and upstream industry	Investment effect	In/direct
increase in O&M services in FT industry/ services and upstream industry	displaced O&M services in II industry and upstream indus- try)	O&M effect (ser- vices)	In/direct
increase in trade of FT technol- ogy	decrease in trade of II technol- ogy (harvesting, technology)	Trade effect	In/direct
higher household income from employment in FT industry	lower household income from dismissals in II industry	Income effect	Induced effect type I
decreased cooling price for households and industry	-	Price effect	Induced effect type II
New production possibilities and higher comfort through FT	-	Production oppor- tunity effect	Induced ef- fect type II





FT: causal chain - from impulses to effects





Lesson learnt:



"new" impulse production opportunity: access to power in remote areas could also create new production opportunities and hence increase overall production and employment



- two principal employment effects of RET use:
 - gross (sectoral effects) employment
 - net (total economy) employment
- impact of innovation on employment can be captured by the same "approaches"



Thank you for your attention

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Outcome of review process



 \rightarrow definition of impact based on effects taken into account



Impacts of Innovation on employment?

Transilience map (tansient & resilience): market and technology dimension



Quelle: Abernathy & Clark, überarbeitet: Utterback, Radical product innovations

