

THE NEW RIMES MODEL

**Modeling the energy transition in a multiregional input-output approach
– Compilation of input-output tables and a scenario analysis framework**

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Background information

Collaborative Project: Info-EW – Promoting the clean energy transition in Germany (2023 – 2026)

- ▶ Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK, synthetic population/households),
- ▶ EWAS-Institute (Stakeholder process)
- ▶ HahnIT (Dashboard development)

What do we do?

- ▶ Combination of synthetic population (38 million households) and MRIO modeling
- ▶ Analysis of economic, social and structural impacts of decarbonisation
- ▶ Results at fine regional scale (NUTS 3 level)
- ▶ Development of an interactive dashboard for regional energy transition analysis
- ▶ Open-access tool for policy- and decision-makers

What makes the project unique?

- ▶ Household-level and economic integration
- ▶ High spatial resolution and actionable insights
- ▶ Create a standardized scenario analysis framework for municipal stakeholders
- ▶ Systematic transfer of scientific results into the practice of municipal actors in a transdisciplinary and participatory process.

RIMES – a new subnational multiregional Input-Output model

▶ New MRIO features:

- Interlinkages with **INFORGE/LÄNDER** enable the compilation of historical and projected data
- **Regional resolution:** 400 NUTS 3 regions (districts) of Germany
- **Economic resolution:** 37 industries

▶ Six steps of compilation:

- Preparation of **regionalisation factor:** Employment data
- **Step A:** Regionalised production and intermediate uses

- **Step B:** Regionalised final demand
- **Step C:** International exports and imports

Where in Germany are
which goods in
demand and used?

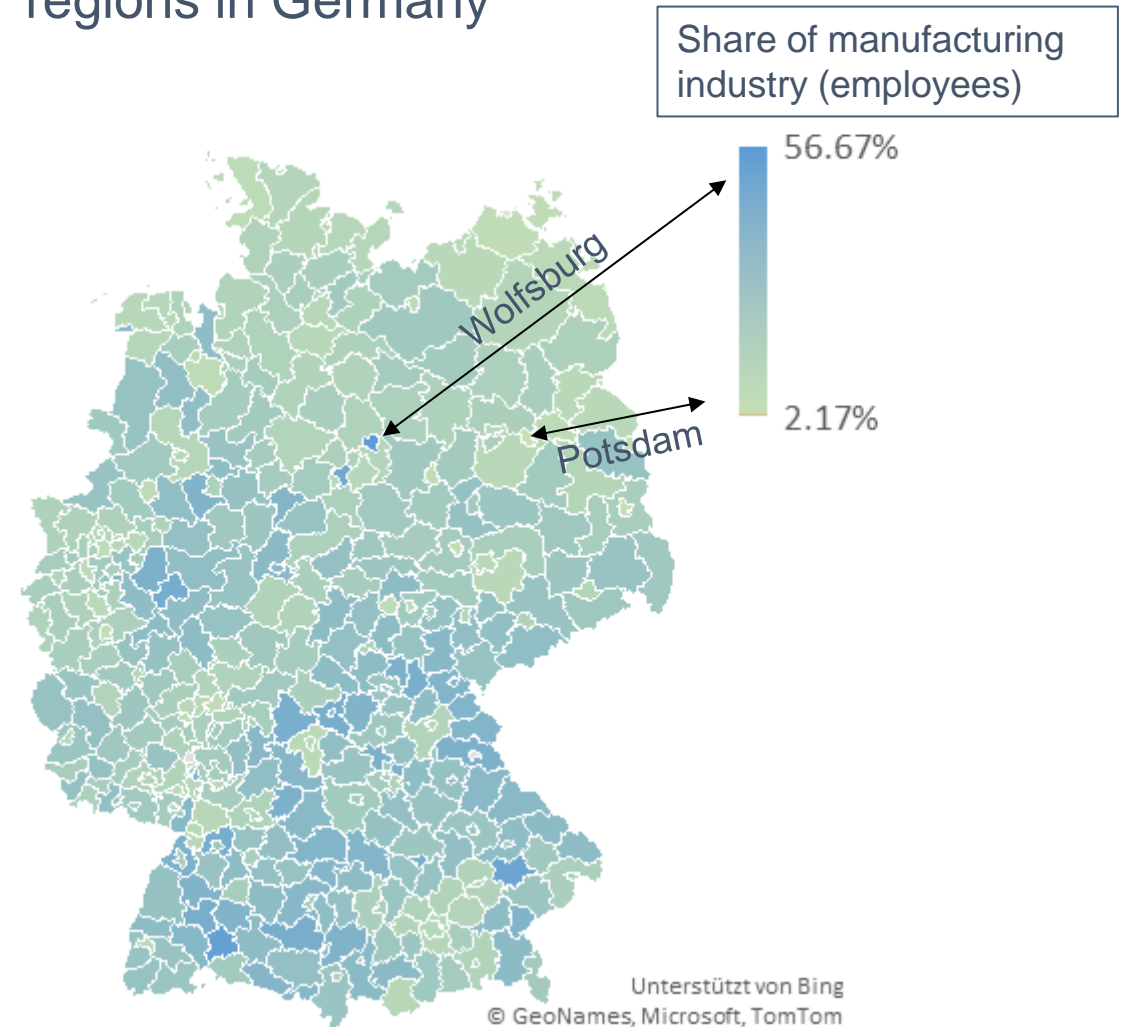
- **Step D:** Inter- and intra-regional trade flows within Germany
- **Step E:** Harmonisation and model closure

Where in Germany do
the demanded and used
goods come from?

Preparation of regionalisation factor

- ▶ **Data:** Employment statistics by Federal Employment Agency
 - ⇒ **Best level of detail** on industry structures in Germany on NUTS 3 level
- ▶ **Number of employees** for 37 industries available for all 400 NUTS 3 regions
 - ⇒ **2023** as base year
 - ⇒ **Statistical disclosure control** meant 960 out of 14,800 entries were blanks
 - ⇒ **Gap-filling routine** based on adjustments to known subtotals and totals
 - ⇒ Calculation of **regional employment share per industry**

- ▶ **Diverse economic structures of the regions in Germany**



Source: Own image; Data: BA, employment statistics 2023

Step A: Regionalised production and intermediate uses

- ▶ Production for 37 industries in all 16 German Federal states (NUTS 1) is known from the GWS model INFORGE/LÄNDER
- ▶ **Regionalisation of production** is based on regional employment share:

$$yg_{k,i} = yg_{l,i} * emp_{k,i} / emp_{l,i}$$

yg: production

emp: employment

k: NUTS 3 region

l: associated NUTS 1 region

i: industry

- ▶ **Regionalisation of intermediate uses** by 37 industries
 - ⇒ Assumption: No regional differences in input structures
 - ⇒ Average input structure of the respective industry in Germany is applied to all 400 regions

Step B: Regionalised final demand

	Cons. exp. private households R1 ... R400	Cons. exp. NPISH R1 ... R400	Cons. exp. government R1 ... R400	GFCF equipment R1 ... R400	GFCF construction R1 ... R400	CIV R1 ... R400
Industry 1	Income and Expenditure Survey (EVS), Destatis: Assign consumer purposes to 37 industries Regionalisation based on SynPop (PIK)	INFORGE/LÄNDER Weighted consumption patterns Same per capita values as averages of the respective federal state; Same consumption patterns as in national average for all regions		INFORGE/LÄNDER	INFORGE/LÄNDER	Share of production is assumed to be equal to national average in all NUTS 3 regions
...				National investment patterns between industries &	Product group structure of respective investment activities &	
...						
...				Regionalised production (Step A)	Regionalisation based on NUTS 3 statistics on construction completion, Destatis	
...						
Industry 37						

Step C: International trade

▶ Exports

- ⇒ Assumption: Share of export use in production is equal to **national average** in all regions
- ⇒ Specific weights for industrial products based on federal states' statistics

▶ Imports

- ⇒ Assumption: Import share in total domestic use is equal to **national average** in all regions
- ⇒ Different weights for
 - **Intermediate use** ⇒ Regionalised production (Step A)
 - **Final demand** ⇒ Regionalised final demand (Step B)

► Gravity model with a two-step approach

1. Intra-regional trade shares: What share of used products originates from the local NUTS 3 region?

- **Assumption:** Share of intra-regional trade is higher, the higher the local production
- **Goods group-specific approach:** EU FIGARO data on trade by goods
- **Coefficients estimated based on national market shares at EU level:** Probability of intra-regional trade depends on the good

2. Inter-regional trade flows: Which other NUTS 3 regions in Germany supply the used products not sourced locally?

- **Assumption:** Share of goods that is not provided locally or internationally is sourced by inter-regional trade
- Use of EU trade shares to estimate origin of goods
- **Regional distance matrix:** Estimation of good specific distance-decay functions with EU Figaro data and distance matrix

Step D: Trade within Germany

▶ Good-group dependent differences

1. Intra-regional trade shares

- ▶ Some goods and most services are highly local

	Intra-regional trade	
Industry	Max.	Min.
Construction	99.6%	75.6%
IT Equipment	32.8%	23.5%

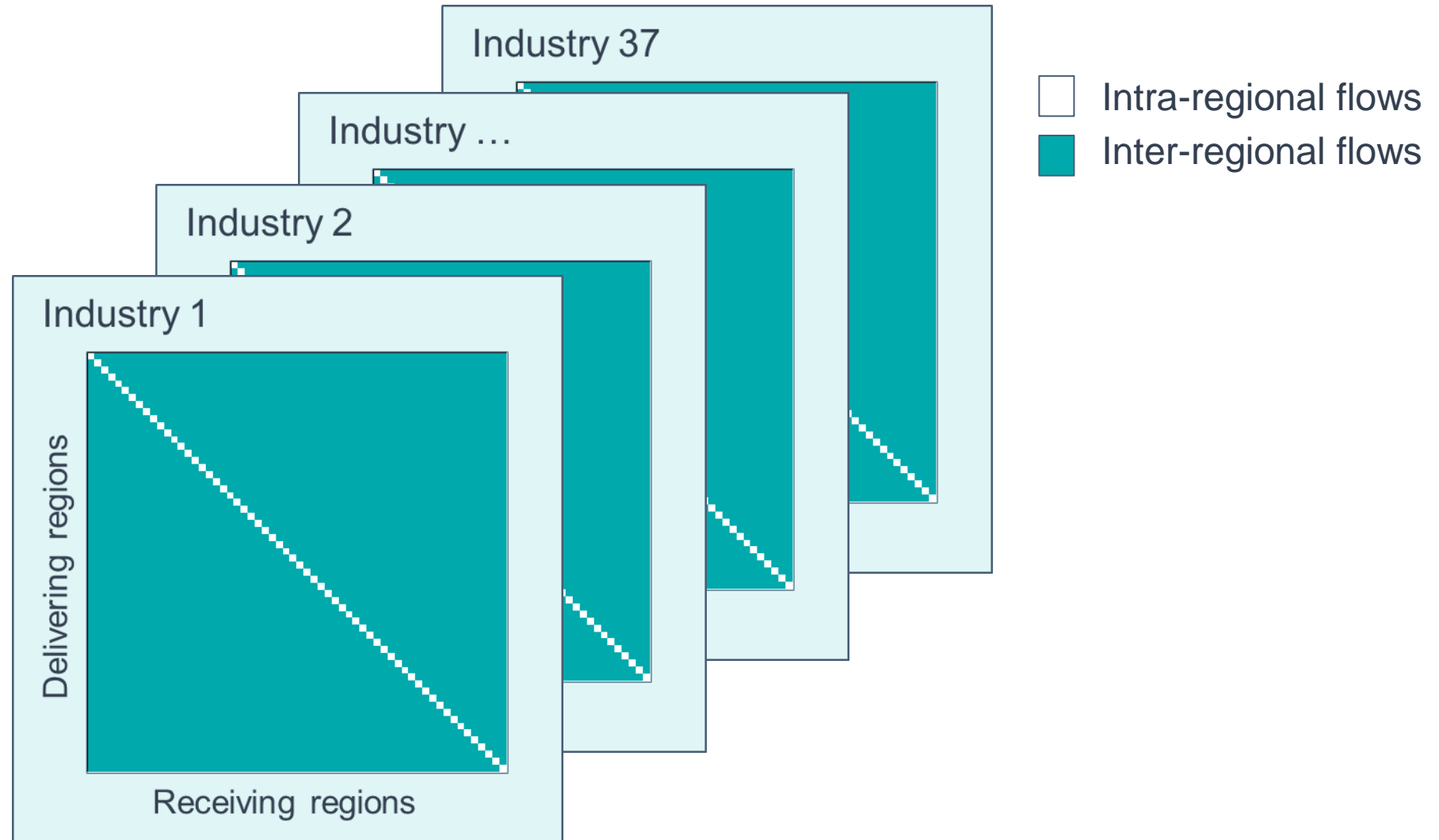
2. Inter-regional trade flows

- ▶ Trade shares of goods and services show strongly diverging distance dependencies

Inter-regional trade	
Max.	Min.
2.0%	0.0%
58.9%	0.0%

Step D: Trade within Germany

- ▶ **Preliminary trade matrices** of 400 by 400 regions for all 37 industries



Step D: Balancing and harmonisation

- ▶ **Trade matrices are preliminary**

- ⇒ Initial imbalance between total use and total supply due to unbalanced regional allocation

- ▶ Marginal totals based on initial assessment of total domestic use and supply

- ⇒ **Assumption:** CIV and exports are not traded among regions

- **Point of production equals point of use**

- ▶ **Trade share assessment** for total use patterns across all 400 regions

- ⇒ **Rebalancing process**

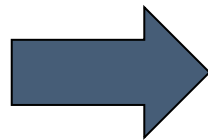
- Adjust domestic trade flows and reallocate among regions through an iterative process

- ⇒ **Result:** Balanced trade share matrices ensuring consistent regional supply and use patterns

Step E: Model closure

► RIMES Model closure

1. Compute inter-industry transactions (1st quadrant of the MRIO)
2. Calculate the technology coefficients
3. Derive the Leontief inverse matrix
4. Calculate the multi-regional final demand matrix (2nd quadrant of the MRIO)
5. Assess the Leontief inverse and derive resulting production values



		← Target regions →																			
		Region 1			Region 2			Region 400			Sum	Consumption expenditures			Gross fixed capital formation			CIV	Exports	Final use total	Total use
		IN 1	...	IN 37	IN 1	...	IN 37	IN 1	...	IN 37		R 1	...	R 400	R 1	...	R 400				
↑ Source regions ↓	Region 1	IN 1																			
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		IN 37																			
	Sum																				
	Gross value added																				
	Imports of same kind																				
Total supply																					

Source: Own image

Outlook

Scenario analysis based on RIMES

- ▶ Development of scenarios for clean energy and heat transition in Germany
- ▶ Regionalization of private consumption based on demographic development (2030, 2040, 2050)

Application-oriented use of scenario results



Thank you for your attention!

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