"Fragmentation in East Asia: Further Evidence"*

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Abstract

The most salient phenomenon in recent international trade in East Asia is the formation of international production/distribution networks. This paper applies the two-dimensional fragmentation framework (Kimura and Ando (2005a)) to investigate the structure and characteristics of international production/distribution networks. Two important issues are investigated. The one is how the formation of international production/distribution networks, particularly in machinery industries, has changed the overall pattern in East Asian trade, both intra-regional and inter-regional. We find that about half of intra-regional export expansion in East Asian countries in 1990-2003 is due to an increase in trade of machinery parts and components, which suggests the existence of a large "magnification" effect in intra-regional trade volumes. The relative importance of markets outside East Asia, notably North American and EU markets, seems rather to decline a bit due to the expansion of East Asian markets themselves. The other issue is how corporate firms effectively combine two kinds of fragmentation, i.e., fragmentation in terms of geographical distance and disintegration. The statistical data of affiliates of Japanese firms in East Asia indicate that transactions with Japan are likely to be intra-firm, while transactions in local markets tend to be arm's-length (inter-firm), which is consistent with our analytical framework which explains the close link between geographical proximity and outsourcing.

1. Introduction

It has been widely recognized in academic/semi-academic literature of both international trade and development economics that the formation of international production/distribution networks in East Asia is an extremely important, novel phenomenon. The pattern of industrial location and international trade in East Asia is no longer a typical North-South pattern. Vertical intra-industry trade, particularly in machinery industries, is explosively increasing, while European-type horizontal intra-industry trade is rarely observed.¹ De facto economic integration proceeded without a doubt in East Asia, but it has not necessarily followed the experience of predecessors such as the EU. It is a challenge for both academicians and policy makers to understand what is taking place in East Asia.

The formation of international production/distribution networks is a quite recent phenomenon, only starting in the 1990s, and undermines or at least partially nullifies a large class of old theories and hypotheses. The influential "East Asian Miracle" report, i.e., the World Bank (1993), was written before the development of production networks, and thus the analysis failed to emphasize the crucial role of foreign direct investment (FDI) in development. The old "export platform" argument claimed that Japanese production operations in East Asia were a strategy for circumventing trade disputes with the U.S. and other markets. Such an idea, however, currently explains only a small portion of international production/distribution networks in East Asia. Nowadays, players in production networks are not only Japanese firms and the expansion of East Asian market itself is significant.

How about the flying geese pattern argument? It cannot be applied anymore to recent international location patterns of manufacturing sectors in the sense that they are dominated by more subtle production-process-wise location patterns, not by industry-by-industry location patterns. There is no longer a simple link between development stages and competitive industries. How about discussion on industrial promotion policies or MITI-type picking-winner policies? Such old-fashioned industrial policies for import substitution are not at the center of policy discussion

¹ Fukao, Ishito, and Ito (2003) provide extensive statistical data analysis of European-type horizontal intra-industry trade, while Ando (2006) further analyzes the characteristics of East Asian-type vertical intra-industry trade.

anymore. The focus of an industry promotion policy by developing countries is placed on how to connect indigenous firms with international production/distribution networks. What would be the desired format of economic integration in East Asia? A new policy package must be included in the FTA framework in order to further promote international production/distribution networks. These are all novel arguments and discussion in East Asia.

The authors proposed a conceptual framework of two-dimensional fragmentation in their previous work (Kimura and Ando (2005a)). It provided a useful analytical approach to understand the mechanics of international production/distribution networks in East Asia. It explained well location patterns of fragmented production blocks across countries with different location advantages, emphasizing the importance of a service link that connects remotely located production blocks. Moreover, it effectively described the logic of production/distribution networks extending beyond the boundary of a firm. Arm's-length (inter-firm) fragmentation is an essential element in the formation of agglomeration, and such sophisticated networks in turn provide opportunities for indigenous firms penetrating into production networks developed by multinational enterprises (MNEs).

As an extending analysis, this paper is devoted to some of the unsolved questions in connection with the conceptual framework and empirics of international production/distribution networks. The first is how the formation of international production/distribution networks, particularly in machinery industries, has changed the overall pattern of international trade, both intra-regional and inter-regional. Are U.S. and EU markets becoming less important along with the expansion of East Asian market itself? How big is the "magnification" effect of parts and components trade in the expansion of East Asian intra-regional trade? The paper looks into these issues to address the first question.

The second question is how corporate firms effectively combine two kinds of fragmentation. In transactions among Japan, NIEs, ASEAN, and China, is there any systemic pattern of intra-firm or arm's-length transactions? Do we observe significant changes over time? Although it is extremely difficult to comprehend these aspects of networks in statistics, analysis using the micro data of Japanese affiliates can provide us some clues.

The outline of the paper is as follows: the next section reviews the framework

of two-dimensional fragmentation and establishes a link with empirical studies conducted in the paper. Section 3 presents the overall picture of intra-regional and inter-regional trade of East Asian countries. Section 4 concentrates on machinery industries and analyzes the nature of fragmentation in two dimensions, i.e., distance and disintegration, by using the micro data of Japanese affiliates abroad. The last section concludes the paper.

2. Conceptual framework of two-dimensional fragmentation

The formation of international production/distribution networks has fundamentally changed the pattern of production location and international trade in East Asia. Although networks can be formulated in various industries, most important, both qualitatively and quantitatively, are those in machinery industries including general machinery, electric machinery, transport equipment, and precision machinery. Machinery industries deal with a large number of multi-layered vertical production/distribution processes, and East Asian firms including Japanese firms have a competitive edge in exploring modulation techniques and constructing vertical value chains. International production/distribution networks in East Asia are distinctive and most developed in the world at this point in time in (i) their significance in each economy in the region, (ii) their extensiveness covering a number of countries in the region, and (iii) their sophistication in subtle combinations of intra-firm and arm's-length (inter-firm) transactions.²

Literature on the fragmentation theory and its empirical applications has grown since a seminal work by Jones and Kierzkowski (1990) and has proved its applicability in analyzing cross-border production sharing at the production process level.³ International production/distribution networks in East Asia, however, have developed beyond the original idea of fragmentation, and some expansion of the analytical framework is needed in order to incorporate intra-firm and arm's-length transactions. Kimura and Ando (2005a) propose the concept of two-dimensional fragmentation, in particular to analyze the mechanics of production networks in East

² See Ando and Kimura (2005).

³ Also see Arndt and Kierzkowski (2001), Deardorff (2001), and Cheng and Kierzkowski (2001) for the fragmentation theory.

Asia.

Figure 1 illustrates a simple version of the Maquila operation in the U.S.-Mexico nexus. Cross-border production sharing between the U.S. and Mexico is mostly a simple intra-firm fragmentation, accompanied with back-and-forth intra-firm transactions between headquarters in the U.S. and an affiliate in Maquila, Mexico. A typical pattern is as follows: parts and components are sent from the U.S. headquarters to a factory in Mexico, the assembly process is conducted there, and the finished products are sent back to the U.S. headquarters. On the other hand, production/distribution networks in East Asia contain a much more complicated combination of intra-firm and arm's-length transactions across a number of countries in the region. Figure 2 is drawn with reference to an actual example of a Japanese manufacturer in the electronic machinery industry, extending production/distribution networks all over East Asia and the U.S. The framework of two-dimensional fragmentation tries to capture such a sophisticated structure of international production/distribution networks.

Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3 presents fragmentation in a two-dimensional space. The horizontal axis denotes geographical distance. From the original position, a production block can be detached and placed in geographical distance. The dotted line in the middle is a national border, which distinguishes cross-border fragmentation from domestic fragmentation. The vertical axis, on the other hand, represents the organization (integration and disintegration) of corporate activities. A fragmented production may be conducted by either intra-firm establishments or unrelated firms. The dotted line is a boundary of a firm, distinguishing arm's-length (inter-firm) fragmentation or outsourcing from intra-firm fragmentation.⁴

⁴ Disintegration and accompanied transaction costs have long been analyzed in industrial organization literature on vertical integration. For references on the Japanese subcontracting system, particularly corporate firms' choices over vertical integration, subcontracting, and spot market bidding in parts and components procurement, see

Figure 3

When do corporate firms choose fragmentation? First, there must be a substantial cost reduction in the production of fragmented production blocks (see Table 1). Geographical distance may provide opportunities to explore different production conditions. In particular, cross-border fragmentation enables firms to enjoy diversified location advantages including workers' wages, economic infrastructure, policy environment, and others. The disintegration axis yields chances to utilize business partners' strengths. Instead of doing everything in-house, arm's-length fragmentation or outsourcing may make the entire production blocks should not be too high. Fragmentation beyond national borders and/or a boundary of a firm is inevitably accompanied by substantial service link costs, but such costs must be low enough to result in total cost reduction.

Table 1

Service link costs change as illustrated in Figure 4 when fragmentation takes place along the distance or disintegration axis. When fragmentation occurs in the horizontal direction as [i] and [ii] in Figure 3, service link costs increase according to the distance from the original position. In particular, once fragmentation crosses a national border, service link costs jump because of the national border effect. When fragmentation takes place in the vertical direction as [iii] and [iv], service link costs increase as the controllability of a firm over the fragmented production block becomes weaker. Various types of outsourcing along the disintegration axis from subcontracting to internet auction are illustrated in Figure 4. An important observation here is that geographical proximity saves service link costs or transaction costs, as [iii] is drawn much lower than [iv].

Kimura (2002). For renewed interest in a global context, see, for instance, Antras (2005), Antras and Helpman (2004), and Grossman and Helpman (2005), which are based on the framework of contract theories.

Figure 4

In East Asia, geographical fragmentation and agglomeration go hand in hand. In contrast to market-oriented agglomeration in Europe, agglomeration in East Asia is often motivated by production-side logic.⁵ The forces of fragmentation and agglomeration are countervailing in the first place; they are vectors pointing in opposite directions. In particular, when a firm decides whether to make use of intra-firm fragmentation, fragmentation or agglomeration is a binary decision. However, at the industry/aggregate level, fragmentation and agglomeration may go together.

The concentration of fragmented production blocks occurs at least through the following two channels: first, two kinds of service link costs do not have a monotonic pattern, and local minimal points of service link costs tend to attract a large number of production blocks. Particularly in cases of less developed countries (LDCs), each country, each local province, each city, or each industrial estate has a different investment climate. Service link costs are not monotonic at all in both dimensions of distance and disintegration. Moreover, a service link is often accompanied with strong economies of scale. Therefore, when a country successfully reduces two kinds of service link costs with proper policies, fragmented production blocks may rush in, and service link costs may be pushed down even further.

Second, the concentration of production blocks may also take place due to the close relationship between the service link cost along the disintegration axis and geographical proximity as indicated in Figure 4. The service link cost in arm's-length fragmentation is extremely sensitive to geographical distance. The closer the distance with business partners, the smaller the service link cost in searching potential business partners, consulting detailed specs of products, managing product quality and delivery timing, solving disputes over contracts, monitoring, and others. The northwest area in Figure 4 is a hot spot of this type of agglomeration. Here, the concentration of production blocks would reduce the service link cost, and the low service link cost

⁵ For previous literature on agglomeration, mostly in the context of developed countries such as EU and the U.S., see Fujita, Krugman, and Venables (1999) and Baldwin, Forslid, Martin, Ottaviano, and Robert-Nicoud (2003).

would further attract production blocks; the arrows of causality would go in both directions. The concentrated production blocks in this mechanism generate interactive industrial structure among production blocks.

The two-dimensional fragmentation framework captures multilayered fragmentation as illustrated in Figure 5. By shifting the original position from the headquarters in the home country to an affiliate abroad, for example, the complicated structure of fragmentation with intra-firm and arm's-length transactions can be depicted.

Figure 5

3. The evolution of intra- and inter-regional trade

Now let us examine the first question: how the formation of international production/distribution networks in machinery industries has changed the overall pattern of international trade in East Asia, particularly the pattern of intra-regional and inter-regional trade.

Before focusing on intra- and inter-regional trade patterns, we demonstrate the significance of machinery trade in East Asia. Figures 6 and 7 present the shares of machinery goods and machinery parts and components in total exports to and imports from the world at the beginning of the 1990s and in 2003 for major economies in East Asia and other regions.⁶ The figures plot countries from the one with the highest export share of machinery parts and components, to address the relative significance of machinery intermediate goods trade.

Figure 6

Figure 7

As both figures vividly show, the share of machinery goods in East Asian countries drastically increased in both absolute and relative terms. At the beginning of the 1990s, most countries with relatively high shares of machinery parts and

⁶ See Table A.1 for the definition of machinery parts and components in this paper.

components were developed countries such as Japan, the United States, U.K, and Germany. In 2003, however, East Asian developing countries moved up to the left side, presenting high shares of both machinery intermediate exports and imports. This implies the existence of back-and-forth transactions and growing export-oriented operations in those countries. The trade pattern of Japan also suggests drastic changes in trade and production patterns in the region; while a large portion of its machinery exports composed of machinery final goods in 1990, half of its machinery exports composed of machinery trade patterns between developed and developing countries seem to have considerably changed, and international production/distribution networks in machinery industries have rapidly developed, involving a number of countries in the region.⁷

In other regions, in contrast, higher shares of machinery trade and those of machinery parts and components trade are observed for only some specific countries such as the U.S., Mexico, U.K, Germany, Hungary, the Czech Republic, and Slovakia. This suggests the development of production networks in machinery industries between the U.S. and Mexico and between U.K./Germany and Central and Eastern European countries, but these networks do not cover an extensive number of countries in the regions like East Asia. Other countries, particularly those in Latin America except Mexico, are found on the right side with far lower shares of machinery exports. In addition, the shares of machinery exports are much lower than those of imports, suggesting import-oriented operations.

Table 2, in turn, presents current-price exports of all products, machinery goods (total), final machinery goods, and machinery parts and components in East Asia including China, ASEAN4 (i.e., Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand), NIEs3 (i.e., Korea, Hong Kong, and Singapore), and Japan in 1990, 2001, and 2003, by

⁷ Ando (2006) analyzes changes in East Asian trade structure in the 1990s by decomposing each country's machinery trade (exports plus imports) with the world at the finely disaggregated level (HS six-digit) into one-way trade, vertical intra-industry trade (vertical IIT), and horizontal intra-industry trade (horizontal IIT), and emphasizes that vertical IIT, particularly vertical IIT in machinery parts and components, expanded. The explosive expansion of machinery intermediates trade indeed resulted in changes in the main trade pattern of East Asia from one-way trade to vertical IIT.

distinguishing intra-East Asian exports from inter-regional exports.⁸ To investigate the relative importance of the U.S. market for East Asian exports in particular, corresponding figures are also displayed in parenthesis. Note that Taiwan, one of the most important players in international production networks of machinery industries, is unfortunately not included in East Asia due to the lack of data available from UN COMTRADE, and thus the value and share of intra-East Asian trade would be underestimated in these tables.

Table 2

Clearly, the share of intra-East Asian exports in total exports (all products) by East Asia as a whole has risen, indicating its increasing relative importance compared to inter-regional exports. The increasing relative importance of intra-regional trade is more vividly observed in machinery trade. In the case of machinery intermediates exports in East Asia, the share of intra-regional trade climbed up to 58 percent in 2003 from 40 percent in 1990. The corresponding figures for Japan, NIEs3, ASEAN4, and China are 48 percent in 2003 (28 percent in 1990), 65 percent (54 percent), 60 percent (51 percent), and 56 percent (74 percent), respectively.⁹ Moreover, even focusing on finished machinery products, the portion of intra-regional exports increased, while that of inter-regional exports declined. These figures confirm the enhancing relative significance of intra-regional trade patterns to inter-regional trade patterns in machinery industries, particularly in machinery parts and components trade. In other words, the importance of markets outside the region for East Asian exports, including the U.S. market, has relatively declined. Considering the expansion in domestic demand accompanying economic growth in East Asian countries, which has not appeared in transactions beyond national borders, the relative importance of the intra-East Asian market would have been enhanced more notably than suggested by the figures above.

⁸ See Tables A.2-A.5 in the Appendix for the corresponding tables for Japan, NIEs3, ASEAN4, and China.

⁹ Although the share of intra-East Asian trade in machinery parts and components has declined in China, the value of machinery intermediate exports itself has explosively increased. Moreover, the U.S. share increased to over 20 percent at the end of the 1990s from a low share of 10 percent in 1992, but around a 20 percent-share of the U.S. market is more or less equivalent to the cases of other East Asian countries.

How fast has intra-East Asian trade (inter-regional trade) grown in absolute terms since the 1990s, and what induced such an expansion of intra-East Asian trade? Table 2 (b(i)) presents the growth from 1990 to 2003 in intra-East Asian exports and inter-regional exports for all products, total machinery goods, final machinery goods, machinery parts and components. During that period, intra-East Asian trade of all commodities expanded by two to three times in absolute terms: the growth rates are 191 percent for East Asia, 160 percent for Japan, 170 percent for NIEs3, 247 percent for ASEAN4, and 226 percent for China. For machinery trade as a whole and machinery parts and components trade, the corresponding figures are much higher; even in the short period from 2001 to 2003, surprisingly, drastic growth was observed (Table 2(a)).¹⁰ These figures imply that machinery trade has and will remain significant contributors to growth in intra-East Asian trade since the 1990s.

To what extent did machinery trade contribute to intra-regional export growth? Tables 2 (b(ii)) and Figure 8 show the percentage of the contribution of machinery trade to the growth in intra-East Asian exports of all products in the period between 1990 and 2003; 66 percent of the 191 percent growth in intra-East Asian exports during those 13 years can be explained by machinery trade. More importantly, over 70 percent of the growth in machinery trade, which is equivalent to half of the growth in total intra-East Asian exports, is explained by machinery parts and components. In other words, a large portion of the growth in intra-East Asian trade was induced by the expansion of machinery trade, mostly that of machinery parts and components in East Asia. This can be regarded as a sort of "magnification effect" of machinery intermediates trade, which is referred to by Yi (2003). In East Asia, back-and-forth transactions in international production networks exist, and they are reflected in this magnification effect.

Figure 8

In the case of inter-regional trade in East Asia, similarly, machinery trade

¹⁰ The growth rates in machinery trade as a whole and in machinery parts and components trade are 322 percent and 452 percent for East Asia, 163 percent and 261 percent for Japan, 310 percent and 429 percent for NIEs3, 828 percent and 886 percent for ASEAN4, and 640 percent and 992 percent for China, respectively.

explains over 60 percent of growth. The main factor of machinery trade which contributed to the growth, however, is different from the case of intra-East Asian trade; around 60 percent of the growth in machinery trade (i.e., over 30 percent of the growth in exports of all products) was induced by an expansion of final machinery goods, not that of machinery parts and components. This implies that final machinery goods produced in international production networks in East Asia are sold to the United States, Europe, and so on, though the relative importance of these markets are decreasing as discussed above.

4. Intra-firm and arm's-length transactions: changing behavior of Japanese firms

The second question is how corporate firms combine two kinds of fragmentation in production/distribution networks. The intensive use of disintegration-type fragmentation or outsourcing arrangements is one of the most salient phenomena in East Asia. Firms in East Asia have indigenous traditions of inter-firm linkages. An old legendary subcontracting system existed among Japanese firms, based on the dualistic structure of large firms in the downstream and small/medium enterprises Taiwan had a tradition of peculiar horizontal subcontracting in the upstream. arrangements among machinery manufacturers. The Hong Kong Guangdong nexus developed an innovative system of processing deal trade in textile and machinery These traditions perhaps worked as prototypes of disintegration-type industries. fragmentation in East Asia. The development of modulation technique was a technological backbone facilitating outsourcing arrangements.

Formal empirical analysis of intra-firm and arm's-length transactions is plagued by a serious deficiency of statistical data. The analysis using the micro data of Japanese affiliates abroad, however, provides some limited information on the characteristics of production/distribution networks.

The analysis in this section is based on the micro data compiled by the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (METI), Government of Japan (the former name was the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI)): *The 1993F/Y, 1996F/Y, 1999F/Y, and 2002F/Y Survey of Overseas Business Activities of Japanese Companies*. This database presents information on the performance of foreign affiliates of Japanese firms. In particular, the extensive surveys conducted every three years,

which are used in this section, include detailed information on overseas business activities such as intra-firm and arm's length transactions. In this data set, foreign affiliates include both "affiliates abroad" with no less than 10 percent ownership by Japanese parent firms and "affiliates of affiliates abroad" with no less than 50 percent ownership by "affiliates abroad," except those in finance, insurance, or real estate. We must note that the effective return ratios are unfortunately as low as 60 percent since the survey is voluntary (i.e., non-compulsory).

Table 3 presents the number of Japanese affiliates located in East Asia and their performance in terms of total sales/purchases, by-destination sales/by-origin purchases ratios, and intra-firm transaction ratios in 1992, 1995, 1998, and 2001. As Table 3 shows, machinery industries (industry 290 to 320) hold over 30 percent and approximately 40 percent of the total number of Japanese affiliates in East Asia and their total sales/purchases in 2001, respectively. In particular, electric machinery (300) and transport equipment (310) sectors compose of a large portion of Japanese machinery affiliates in East Asia in terms of their number and their activities. To clarify features of their transactions, Tables 4-5 focuses on intra-firm and arm's length transactions by Japanese electric machinery affiliates and Japanese transport equipment affiliates in East Asia, NIEs4, ASEAN4, and China, respectively, which are calculated based on Table 3 and corresponding tables to Japanese affiliates located in NIES4, ASEAN4, and China.¹¹ In the tables, "local" refers to the country in which the affiliate concerned is located, "third countries" are countries other than Japan and "local," and "East Asia" indicates countries in East Asia other than Japan and "local."

Table 3

Table 4

Table 5

The nature of fragmentation and its changes over time can be observed

¹¹ The corresponding tables on Japanese affiliates in NIES4, ASEAN4, and China are omitted from the paper, and are available upon request.

particularly in the largest sector, electric machinery (300), and patterns of by-destination sales and by-origin purchases vividly present the development of international production/distribution networks. The most salient phenomenon is the large and increasing share of sales/purchases with other East Asian countries, suggesting the extensiveness of networks and their development: shares of other East Asian countries increased from 18 percent (nine percent) in 1992 to 22 percent (20 percent) for sales and 15 percent (eight percent) in 1992 to 28 percent (20 percent) in the electric machinery sector (machinery sectors as a whole). In addition, increasing shares of Japan in sales and decreasing shares of Japan in purchases indicate the expansion of back-and-forth cross-border production sharing as well as the development of local vendors. The declining trend of local sales ratios suggests a shift in weight from import-substituting-type industries to export-oriented, network-forming industries.

Ratios of intra-firm/arm's-length transactions conform to our two-dimensional fragmentation framework. Intra-firm transaction ratios for transactions with Japan, other East Asian countries, and local become smaller in this order (Table 3). In other words, intra-firm transactions are large in transactions with Japan while arm's-length transactions are important in local transactions, and transactions with other East Asian countries are categorized in the middle. This observation proves a close link between geographical proximity and disintegration-type fragmentation, indicating the formation of agglomeration of fragmented production blocks, as discussed in Section 2.

The above-mentioned characteristics seem to be reflected most closely in the case of Japanese affiliates in ASEAN4. That is, intra-firm transactions are large in transactions with Japan while arm's-length transactions are important in local transactions, and transactions with other East Asian countries are categorized in the middle, reflecting a close link between geographical proximity (agglomeration) and arm's length fragmentation (Table 4). In the case of Japanese affiliates in China, we must note that operations by Japanese firms in China seriously started only recently (see values of sales and purchases in Tables 4 and 5).¹² Rapid increases in local purchases

¹² The performance of Japanese electric machinery affiliates in China drastically expanded from 70 billion JPY in 1992 to 1,298 billion JPY in 2001 for sales and from 47 billion JPY in 1992 to 919 billion JPY in 2001 for purchases. The number of affiliates also confirm the recent expansion of Japanese firms' operations in China: the number of Japanese electric machinery affiliates in China in the dataset is 30 (54) in

ratios from 16 percent in 1992 to 37 percent in 2001, eventually reaching up to the level of ASEAN4, with the rapid expansion of arm's length transactions in the local market, suggest the formation of local vertical links in agglomeration in China.

On the other hand, the declining trend in purchases from Japan, mostly intra-firm purchases, is clearly observed: shares of purchases from Japan (intra-firm purchases from Japan) in total purchases by Japanese electric machinery affiliates in China are 84 percent (78 percent) in 1992 and 38 percent (25 percent) in 2001. In China, purchases from Japan, particularly intra-firm purchases from Japan, seem to be significantly replaced by local arm's length purchases according to the above-mentioned development of agglomeration in the local market, and intra-firm purchases from other East Asian countries, probably mainly ASEAN countries. Although arm's length transaction ratios are large for transactions with other East Asian countries by Japanese electric machinery affiliates in ASEAN4, intra-firm transaction ratios are large by those in China. Such a difference in intra-firm transaction ratios with other East Asian countries may indicate proximity among ASEAN countries and remoteness of China from ASEAN4. Low intra-firm sales ratios in selling to the local market perhaps reflect regulations in the local distribution sector.

In contrast with the electric machinery sector, the transport equipment sector (310) has been heavily affected by import-substitution policies. Extremely high ratios of local sales in total sales in the 1990s reflect trade protection and import-substitution-type operations in most of the East Asian countries. The ratios, however, have been in a declining trend even in this sector, particularly in ASEAN4, reflecting trade liberalization and the removal of local contents requirements, which encourages exports of parts and components as well as built up cars.¹³

¹⁹⁹² and 281 (552) in 2001 in the electric machinery sector (machinery sectors as a whole), which accounts for around seven percent and 27 percent of Japanese electric machinery in East Asia, respectively.

¹³ Ando (2006) also demonstrates that even in the transportation equipment sector, in which one-way trade is still the main pattern of trade in the whole sector largely due to import substitution policies, vigorous transactions of parts and components across borders were observed in 2000, while they were seldom found at the beginning of the 1990s.

5. Concluding remarks

This paper applies the two-dimensional fragmentation framework to characteristics of empirically examine the structure and international production/distribution networks. The analysis on international trade data, particularly trade in machineries and machinery parts and components, verifies the importance of international production/distribution networks in East Asian economies, and the enhancing relative importance of intra-East Asian markets to other markets outside of the region including the U.S market for East Asian exports. The investigation of the data set of affiliates of Japanese firms in East Asia suggests the microstructure of vertical production chains effectively combining intra-firm and arm's-length transactions. The authors believe that the paper successfully reconfirms the distinctive characteristics of international production distribution networks; i.e., their significance, extensiveness, and sophistication.

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Figure 1 Typical maquila operation by the US MNEs: an illustration



The United States

Figure 2 Typical East Asian operation by Japanese MNEs: an illustration



Figure 3 Fragmentation in a two-dimensional space



Table 1	Tradeo	ffs in	two-dim	nensional	fragmentat	tion
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	Service link cost connecting production block	Production cost per se in production blocks
Fragmention	Cost due to geographical distance	Cost reduction from location advantages
along the distance axis	Elements (examples): transportation,	Elements (examples): wage level, access to
-	telecommunications, inefficiency in	resources, infrastructure service inputs such
	distribution, trade impediments,	as electricity, water, and industrial estates,
	coordination cost	technological capability
Fragmentation	Transaction cost due to losing controllability	Cost reduction from (dis)internalization
along the disintegration axis	Elements (examples): Information	Elements (examples): availability of
	gathering cost on potential business	various types of potential business partners
	partners, monitoring cost, risks on the	including foreign and indigenous firms,
	stability of contracts, immature dispute	development of supporting industry,
	settlement mechanism, other deficiency in	institutional capacity for various types of
	legal system and economic institutions	contracts, degree of incomplete information

Figure 4 Two kinds of service link cost



Figure 5 Multilayed fragmentation in East Asia: an illustration





Data source: Ando (2006).

Note: data is of 1990 or close to 1990. For instance, Japan 90 and U.S.A.91 indicate that data is of 1990 for Japan and 1991 for U.S.A.



Data source: Authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE.

(a) Intra- and inter	r-regional e	xports (n	nillions US\$)				(b) Factors of growth in exports (1990	-2003)
	1990		2001		2003			
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Machinery goods:	parts and c	omponer	nts				<intra-east asian="" exports=""></intra-east>	
Intra-East Asia	54,336	39.6	205,636	51.4	300,137	57.5	(i) Growth in intra-East Asian exports	
Inter-regional	82,915	60.4	194,805	48.6	221,637	42.5	All products	191%
(U.S.)	(39,624)	(28.9)	(81,426)	(20.3)	(82,543)	(15.8)	Machinery goods (total)	322%
Total	137,251	100.0	400,442	100.0	521,774	100.0	- Machinery final goods	183%
							- Machinery parts and components	452%
Machinery goods:	final goods							
Intra-East Asia	50,932	23.2	99,364	26.1	144,368	28.8	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	icts)
Inter-regional	168,597	76.8	281,492	73.9	356,732	71.2	Machinery goods (total)	66%
(U.S.)	(70,183)	(32.0)	(130,088)	(34.2)	(143,634)	(28.7)	- Machinery final goods	18%
Total	219,529	100.0	380,856	100.0	501,100	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	48%
Machinery goods:	total						<inter-regional exports=""></inter-regional>	
Intra-East Asia	105,268	29.5	305,001	39.0	444,505	43.5	(i) Growth in inter-regional exports	
Inter-regional	251,512	70.5	476,297	61.0	578,369	56.5	All products	125%
(U.S.)	(109,807)	(30.8)	(211,513)	(27.1)	(226,177)	(22.1)	Machinery goods (total)	130%
Total	356,780	100.0	781,297	100.0	1,022,875	100.0	- Machinery final goods	112%
							- Machinery parts and components	167%
All products								
Intra-East Asia	270,465	38.5	579,108	42.1	786,197	44.7	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	icts)
Inter-regional	432,736	61.5	795,192	57.9	973,074	55.3	Machinery goods (total)	60%
(U.S.)	(174,978)	(24.9)	(332,883)	(24.2)	(355,643)	(20.2)	- Machinery final goods	35%
Total	703,201	100.0	1,374,300	100.0	1,759,271	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	26%

Table 2 Development of intra-regional exports in East Asia

Data source: authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE

Note: "East Asia" here includes China, ASEAN4, NIES3, and Japan. Due to lack of data available from UN COMexports, (i) Taiwan is not included in East Asia, (ii) data for China in 1992 and Hong Kong in 1993 are used in calculating intra-East Asian exports in 1990, (iii) data for the Philippines are not included in calculating intra-East Asian exports in 1990.



Data source: Table 2(b) and Tables A.2(b)-A.5(b).

Note: "E.A." and "ROW" in the figure indicate intra-regional exports and inter-regional exports, respectively.

		Number		Total			By-des	stination	sales ra	atio (%)			Intra-fi	rm trans	action 1	ratio (%)	
		of		sales		Japan	Local	Third co	ountries			Japan	Local	Third co	ountries	5	
Year	Industry	affiliate s	%	(billion JPY)	%				East Asia	North America	Europe				East Asia	North America	Europe
(a) Sale	S									_						_	
	Manufacturing total	1,463	56.3	7,887	50.7	15.8	66.0	18.2	10.0	3.4	1.8	84.2	6.3	42.9	44.6	62.6	47.7
	Machinery total	715	27.5	5,202	33.4	16.8	66.2	17.0	9.4	4.0	1.8	90.5	7.8	57.7	53.9	76.6	65.0
	290	91	3.5	216	1.4	23.6	53.0	23.4	11.3	2.1	9.8	96.7	3.0	71.2	55.6	54.3	93.9
1992	300	416	16.0	2,872	18.5	27.2	45.7	27.1	17.7	4.9	2.1	90.0	8.0	56.2	53.5	82.6	58.0
	310	171	6.6	1,999	12.8	1.7	92.6	5.7	0.8	3.1	0.4	73.9	7.2	60.2	57.9	71.2	28.3
	320	37	1.4	115	0.7	51.8	36.9	11.3	1.6	4.5	3.3	96.5	32.4	46.6	77.9	51.1	50.8
	Total	2,597	100.0	15,556	100.0	21.8	59.4	18.8	9.3	2.4	1.2	64.1	4.7	28.9	33.1	53.5	44.8
	Manufacturing total	2,966	64.5	12,300	50.0	18.8	58.4	22.8	13.3	3.6	1.8	83.2	15.8	45.4	49.1	57.0	60.7
	Machinery total	1,428	31.0	9,080	36.9	20.8	56.6	22.6	12.8	4.0	1.9	90.6	19.9	55.4	60.2	64.8	71.5
	290	234	5.1	541	2.2	28.5	48.5	23.1	13.9	0.7	5.4	97.6	1.5	68.8	66.5	71.4	98.7
1995	300	755	16.4	5,107	20.8	28.7	38.0	33.2	19.6	5.6	2.2	88.9	9.0	52.6	59.5	56.7	58.4
	310	339	7.4	3,095	12.6	2.2	92.8	5.0	0.8	2.3	0.8	85.1	27.3	65.4	30.3	97.2	94.5
	320	100	2.2	337	1.4	51.2	27.7	21.1	15.9	1.9	2.2	98.9	66.6	74.7	76.6	69.3	75.5
	Total	4,600	100.0	24,579	100.0	17.8	54.7	27.5	13.5	2.5	1.4	67.6	10.4	24.3	31.2	49.1	58.3
	Manufacturing total	3,835	61.7	12,325	53.0	25.4	49.2	25.4	16.9	4.5	2.7	73.1	7.6	45.9	47.2	48.3	40.7
	Machinery total	1,809	29.1	8,485	36.5	44.1	38.6	17.3	15.4	1.1	0.4	80.6	15.6	48.7	47.5	50.8	63.7
	290	315	5.1	689	3.0	40.7	32.4	27.0	14.8	5.5	4.6	90.7	6.9	79.7	76.7	91.5	87.4
1998	300	916	14.7	5,192	22.3	32.9	32.3	34.8	24.9	5.3	3.0	73.6	14.5	51.4	55.4	46.0	37.4
	310	478	7.7	2,140	9.2	11.1	81.0	7.9	2.2	3.5	1.5	82.1	2.8	73.0	52.2	98.5	52.6
	320	100	1.6	464	2.0	45.9	27.2	26.9	23.1	1.5	2.0	70.6	26.8	16.3	15.9	11.3	18.6
	Total	6,213	100.0	23,235	100.0	21.9	49.6	28.4	21.2	3.4	2.6	62.7	5.6	32.3	30.1	47.4	34.1
	Manufacturing total	4,247	62.5	20,382	56.6	25.9	46.1	28.0	18.6	4.9	2.6	77.4	10.9	46.1	44.0	58.1	43.8
	Machinery total	2,121	31.2	14,826	41.2	29.1	40.1	30.9	19.9	5.8	2.9	79.3	13.7	52.6	51.6	62.4	47.6
	290	381	5.6	1,084	3.0	40.0	35.1	24.9	17.0	2.4	1.7	93.9	22.8	81.5	75.0	96.5	94.3
2001	300	1,041	15.3	8,539	23.7	34.4	31.2	34.4	22.0	7.4	2.8	77.6	15.6	54.3	55.8	55.7	52.4
	310	582	8.6	4,575	12.7	8.1	66.1	25.8	16.4	2.9	4.0	80.7	9.3	33.0	23.3	94.6	29.4
	320	117	1.7	628	1.7	40.4	42.5	17.2	12.7	2.9	1.3	72.2	14.1	79.7	78.0	91.4	74.4
	Total	6,799	100.0	35,984	100.0	25.0	47.5	27.5	18.8	4.2	2.5	67.2	8.2	39.5	34.6	60.0	40.7

Table 3 Sales and purchases by Japanese affiliates in East Asia

(Continu	ıe)																
		Number		Total			By-ori	igin purc	hases ra	atio (%)			Intra-fi	rm trans	action 1	atio (%)	
		of		purchases		Japan	Local	Third co	ountries			Japan	Local	Third c	ountries	6	
Year	Industry	affiliate s	%	(billions JPY)	%				East Asia	North America	Europe				East Asia	North America	Europe
(b) Pure	chases																
	Manufacturing total	1,463	56.3	3,384	43.3	37.9	48.4	13.7	8.1	1.6	0.0	78.2	4.2	42.7	50.2	47.7	-
	Machinery total	715	27.5	2,466	31.5	46.2	43.4	10.3	8.3	1.3	0.0	84.4	2.0	62.6	58.8	80.8	-
	290	91	3.5	138	1.8	47.8	49.0	3.3	0.7	1.1	0.3	93.9	4.5	49.7	84.8	80.3	23.9
1992	300	416	16.0	1,469	18.8	46.7	36.6	16.7	15.2	1.1	0.1	84.6	1.9	62.5	59.8	86.6	98.1
	310	171	6.6	790	10.1	43.8	52.9	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.4	81.7	0.6	76.7	34.6	76.2	86.2
	320	37	1.4	68	0.9	60.2	34.2	5.6	0.3	0.1	0.0	85.6	17.5	4.9	100.0	0.0	-
	Total	2,597	100.0	7,817	100.0	34.7	38.5	26.8	11.6	1.6	0.0	82.8	5.1	21.2	33.6	36.3	-
	Manufacturing total	2,966	64.5	6,914	47.5	40.3	40.3	19.4	14.4	1.4	0.7	76.5	15.1	40.8	44.9	32.6	50.7
	Machinery total	1,428	31.0	5,479	37.6	29.3	433	27.5	18.6	47	27	76.2	93	53.6	543	591	463
	290	234	5.1	380	2.6	44.0	42.9	13.2	12.6	1.1	1.0	82.9	1.6	25.7	35.4	25.1	13.2
1995	300	755	16.4	2,834	19.5	38.9	33.8	27.3	24.8	1.3	0.2	86.0	14.1	46.5	45.9	33.1	48.2
	310	339	7.4	2,008	13.8	51.6	45.6	2.8	1.0	0.8	0.7	73.6	16.1	68.8	39.9	97.2	85.2
	320	100	2.2	257	1.8	44.3	34.9	20.8	20.6	0.1	0.1	85.9	42.4	73.7	74.5	0.0	0.3
	Total	4,600	100.0	14,559	100.0	31.5	36.1	32.4	14.9	1.3	1.4	69.1	14.2	23.2	36.2	44.7	27.5
	Manufacturing total	3.835	61.7	7.502	49.3	35.1	43.3	21.6	18.6	1.5	0.6	58.7	7.1	44.9	47.0	44.7	31.6
	Machinery total	1,809	29.1	5,764	37.9	36.8	413	21.8	20.3	1.0	04	61.9	67	49 3	50.0	51.6	21.8
	290	315	5.1	401	2.6	32.2	57.7	10.1	8.8	0.8	0.4	79.1	3.4	76.1	85.1	21.2	0.0
1998	300	916	14.7	3,711	24.4	37.0	35.8	27.2	26.3	0.4	0.2	64.0	6.5	49.7	50.8	24.0	7.4
	310	478	7.7	1,381	9.1	37.2	53.4	9.4	6.1	2.5	0.7	43.8	5.2	48.4	36.2	89.5	17.0
	320	100	1.6	272	1.8	41.2	40.2	18.6	14.5	2.6	1.5	72.9	20.5	22.6	22.3	0.0	65.3
	Total	6,213	100.0	15,223	100.0	33.4	41.1	25.5	20.7	1.5	1.3	59.3	9.9	35.6	39.4	41.8	15.4
	Manufacturing total	4.247	62.5	13,781	51.5	35.8	43.3	21.0	18.6	1.0	0.6	66.0	9.5	42.0	42.6	43.1	19.2
	Machinerv total	2,121	31.2	10.417	38.9	38.0	40.3	21.7	20.2	0.7	0.3	60.0	10.1	<u> </u>	15.4	64.7	41.3
	290	381	5.6	786	2.9	36.2	59.0	4.8	4.3	0.7	0.1	67.1	9.8	48.3	48.7	40.9	56.5
2001	300	1.041	15.3	6.249	23.3	35.3	35.2	29.4	28.0	0.5	0.3	74.4	8.6	44.7	44.4	33.3	39.0
	310	582	8.6	2.945	11.0	46.5	47.3	6.2	3.9	1.6	0.4	59.6	13.7	71.4	65.4	98.2	46.2
	320	117	1.7	437	1.6	42.5	49.9	7.7	7.4	0.0	0.2	68.5	11.4	52.1	52.4	79.0	26.3
	Total	6,799	100.0	26,784	100.0	33.9	42.5	23.6	19.3	1.8	1.2	62.6	12.9	39.6	42.5	38.2	10.4

Data source: authors' calculation, based on METI database.

Note: machinery industries are general machinery (290), electric machinery (300), transport equipment (310), and precision machinery (320).

		Japane	se affiliat	tes in Eas	t Asia	ia Japanese affiliates in NIEs4 Ja			Japanese affiliates in ASEAN4				Japanese affiliates in China				
	-	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001
(a) Sales																	
Value (b	illions JPY)	2,872	5,107	5,192	8,539	1,706	2,793	2,161	3,542	1,083	1,984	2,235	3,595	70	311	750	1,298
G1 (6)																	
Share (%	o) _	25.2	20 7	22.0	24.4	24.5	22.6	20.1	20.2		26.2	41.0	40.0	01.0	20.7	<u> </u>	22.2
(i)	Japan	27.2	28.7	32.9	34.4	24.7	22.6	28.1	30.3	27.7	36.2	41.9	40.0	81.2	29.7	22.5	32.2
	-intra-firm	24.5	25.6	24.2	26.7	23.3	19.9	19.9	18.0	23.1	32.1	31.8	35.7	80.7	28.3	15.8	26.5
	-arm's length	2.7	3.2	8.7	7.7	1.4	2.7	8.2	12.3	4.6	4.1	10.1	4.4	0.4	1.4	6.7	5.8
(ii)	Local	45.7	38.0	32.3	31.2	52.2	45.4	44.2	41.4	38.4	29.3	17.2	18.5	13.4	34.1	40.8	37.2
	-intra-firm	3.7	3.4	4.7	4.9	5.0	3.2	5.6	4.1	2.3	3.8	3.7	5.6	0.0	2.5	4.5	5.7
	-arm's length	42.0	34.6	27.6	26.3	47.2	42.2	38.7	37.4	36.2	25.5	13.4	12.9	13.4	31.6	36.3	31.6
(iii)	Other East Asia	17.7	19.6	24.9	22.0	16.3	17.4	18.8	16.4	20.6	20.3	28.4	26.8	5.1	30.8	31.7	22.0
	-intra-firm	9.5	11.6	13.8	12.3	5.2	9.2	6.4	7.5	15.1	11.7	15.8	14.2	5.1	27.9	27.2	17.0
	-arm's length	8.2	7.9	11.1	9.7	11.0	8.1	12.3	8.9	5.4	8.6	12.6	12.6	0.0	2.9	4.5	5.0
(i+ii+iii)	East Asia (total)	90.6	86.3	90.1	87.6	93.1	85.3	91.1	88.1	86.7	85.9	87.4	85.3	99.8	94.6	95.0	91.4
	-intra-firm	37.6	40.6	42.7	43.9	33.5	32.3	31.9	29.6	40.5	47.6	51.3	55.4	85.9	58.6	47.5	49.1
	-arm's length	53.0	45.7	47.4	43.8	59.6	53.0	59.2	58.6	46.2	38.2	36.1	29.9	13.8	35.9	47.5	42.3
(b)Purcl	IASES																
Value		1,469	2,834	3,711	6,249	757	1,455	1,700	2,653	654	1,157	1,452	2,602	47	209	532	919
Share																	
(i)	Japan	46.7	38.9	37.0	35.3	48.7	37.8	42.5	40.8	42.1	37.1	33.7	28.3	83.6	53.3	33.3	38.3
	-intra-firm	39.5	33.5	23.7	26.3	43.2	33.6	27.8	33.1	32.8	30.7	21.7	19.4	78.4	45.1	19.4	24.9
	-arm's length	7.2	5.4	13.3	9.0	5.5	4.2	14.7	7.7	9.4	6.4	12.0	8.9	5.2	8.2	13.9	13.4
(ii)	Local	36.6	33.8	35.8	35.2	34.3	38.4	36.4	31.3	39.7	31.2	36.0	38.7	16.1	18.7	33.7	37.3
	-intra-firm	0.7	4.8	2.3	3.0	0.3	7.5	2.6	3.6	0.7	1.8	2.1	2.1	6.3	1.8	2.6	4.1
	-arm's length	35.9	29.0	33.5	32.2	33.9	30.8	33.8	27.7	39.0	29.4	33.9	36.6	9.9	16.9	31.1	33.2
(iii)	Other East Asia	15.2	24.8	26.3	28.0	15.9	20.4	20.7	26.3	15.9	30.1	29.1	31.2	0.1	27.0	32.1	23.8
()	-intra-firm	9.1	11.4	13.4	12.4	15.0	12.0	11.1	12.8	3.5	7.9	10.1	10.5	0.1	22.4	27.1	16.1
	-arm's length	6.1	13.4	12.9	15.6	1.0	8.4	9.6	13.5	12.5	22.2	19.0	20.7	0.0	4.6	5.0	7.8
(i+ii+iii)	East Asia (total)	98.5	97.5	99.1	98.5	98.9	96.6	99.5	98.4	97.8	98.4	98.8	98.2	99.8	99.0	99.1	99.5
()	-intra-firm	49.3	49.6	39.4	41.7	58.6	53.1	41.5	49.5	36.9	40.4	33.9	32.0	84.8	69.3	49.1	45.0
	-arm's length	49.2	47.9	59.8	56.8	40.4	43.5	58.1	48.9	60.9	58.0	64.8	66.2	15.0	29.7	50.0	54.4

Table 4 Intra-firm and arm's length transactions by Japanese electric machinery affiliates in East Asia

Data source: authors' calculation, based on METI database.

		Japane	se affiliat	tes in Eas	t Asia	Japanese affiliates in NIEs4				Japanese affiliates in ASEAN4				Japanese affiliates in China			
	-	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001	1992	1995	1998	2001
(a) Sale	5																
Value (t	oillions JPY)	1,999	3,095	2,140	4,575	811	758	557	829	974	1,920	843	2,379	35	145	281	696
Shame ((7																
Snare (<i>(</i> 0)	17	2.2	11 1	01	22	10	21	2.1	10	25	25.2	0.4	15	= =	7.0	14.0
(1)	Japan	1.7	2.2	0.1	0.1 6 5	23 1 1	1.9	3.1	3.1 2.7	1.0	2.5	25.5	9.4 7 1	1.5	5.5 5.2	7.9	14.0
	-intra-firm	1.5	1.9	9.1	0.5	1.1	1.0	1.4	2.7	1.7	2.1	21.0	7.1	1.2	5.2 0.2	7.0	12.2
	-arm's length	0.5	0.3	2.0	1.0	1.2	0.2	1./	0.4	0.1	0.5	4.3	2.3	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.8
(ii)	Local	92.0	92.8	81.0	00.1	92.2	92.8	91.0	84.1	92.3	91.9	59.9	54.4	92.4	87.9	88.4	82.4
	-intra-firm	6.7	25.3	2.3	6.1	0.6	22.7	5.3	6.3	11.8	34.3	3.2	8.7	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.8
	-arm's length	85.9	67.4	78.8	59.9	91.6	70.1	85.7	77.8	80.5	57.6	56.6	45.7	92.4	87.5	88.0	81.6
(iii)	Other East Asia	0.8	0.8	2.2	16.4	1.6	0.7	2.9	7.0	0.5	0.9	3.6	21.8	0.0	1.9	1.4	1.4
	-intra-firm	0.5	0.3	1.1	3.8	0.8	0.3	0.9	3.7	0.4	0.3	2.7	5.6	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2
	-arm's length	0.3	0.6	1.1	12.6	0.8	0.4	2.1	3.3	0.1	0.7	0.9	16.2	0.0	1.7	1.3	1.2
(i+ii+iii) East Asia (total)	95.1	95.8	94.3	90.6	96.1	95.4	97.0	94.2	94.6	95.3	88.7	85.7	93.9	95.2	97.7	97.9
	-intra-firm	8.4	27.5	12.5	16.5	2.5	24.6	7.5	12.7	13.8	36.6	27.0	21.5	1.2	5.7	7.5	13.2
	-arm's length	86.7	68.3	81.8	74.1	93.6	70.7	89.5	81.5	80.8	58.7	61.8	64.2	92.6	89.5	90.2	84.6
<u>(b)Purc</u>	hases																
Value		790	2,008	1,381	2,945	215	389	419	479	512	1,380	520	1,658	6	91	171	394
Share																	
(i)	Japan	43.8	51.6	37.2	46.5	38.3	34.6	31.7	22.6	45.0	61.1	41.0	54.8	39.3	52.9	43.0	38.4
	-intra-firm	35.8	38.0	16.3	27.7	16.9	19.0	13.0	18.2	43.5	50.3	25.5	32.5	38.2	45.0	9.8	19.7
	-arm's length	8.0	13.6	20.9	18.8	21.4	15.6	18.7	4.4	1.6	10.8	15.5	22.4	1.0	7.9	33.2	18.6
(ii)	Local	52.9	45.6	53.4	47.3	59.9	64.3	60.8	62.2	51.4	35.7	46.0	39.6	40.5	43.3	52.3	57.9
()	-intra-firm	0.3	7.3	2.8	6.5	0.0	0.4	5.6	0.5	0.5	9.5	4.9	10.2	0.0	24.1	0.1	0.5
	-arm's length	52.6	38.3	50.6	40.8	59.9	64.0	55.2	61.6	51.0	26.1	41.1	29.4	40.5	19.2	52.2	57.3
(iii)	Other East Asia	1.0	1.0	6.1	3.9	0.4	0.2	6.1	12.2	1.1	1.1	8.0	3.0	9.9	1.0	1.8	1.1
(111)	_intra_firm	0.4	0.4	2.2	2.6	0.3	0.1	1.1	9.1	0.3	0.6	4.2	2.0	9.9	0.7	1.7	0.7
	_arm's length	0.7	0.6	3.9	1.4	0.1	0.2	5.0	3.1	0.9	0.5	3.8	1.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.4
(11)) Fast Asia (total)	97.8	98.3	96.7	97.7	98.6	99.2	98.7	97.0	97.6	97.9	95.0	97.5	89.6	97.2	97.1	97.3
(1±11±111	_intra_firm	36.5	45.7	21.3	36.8	17.2	19.5	19.7	27.9	44.2	60.4	34.6	44.7	48.1	69.9	11.5	20.9
	-arm's length	61.3	52.6	75.4	61.0	81.4	79.7	79.0	69.1	53.4	37.4	60.4	52.8	41.5	27.3	85.6	76.4

Table 5 Intra-firm and arm's length transactions by Japanese transport equipment affiliates in East Asia

Data source: authors' calculation, based on METI database.

Table A.1 Definition of machinery parts and components

HS classification

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Source: Ando and Kimura (2005).

(a) Intra- and inter	-regional e	xports (r	nillions US\$)				(b) Factors of growth in exports (1990-	-2003)
	1990		2001		2003			
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Machinery goods:	parts and c	ompone	nts				<intra-east asian="" exports=""></intra-east>	
Intra-East Asia	21,217	27.5	55,797	40.1	76,645	47.6	(i) Growth in intra-East Asian exports	
Inter-regional	55,921	72.5	83,205	59.9	84,232	52.4	All products	160%
(U.S.)	(26,401)	(34.2)	(39,191)	(28.2)	(35,694)	(22.2)	Machinery goods (total)	163%
Total	77,138	100.0	139,002	100.0	160,877	100.0	- Machinery final goods	72%
							- Machinery parts and components	261%
Machinery goods: f	final goods							
Intra-East Asia	22,861	16.2	27,649	17.6	39,330	21.5	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	cts)
Inter-regional	118,560	83.8	129,165	82.4	143,856	78.5	Machinery goods (total)	65%
(U.S.)	(49,971)	(35.3)	(60,832)	(38.8)	(59,307)	(32.4)	- Machinery final goods	15%
Total	141,421	100.0	156,814	100.0	183,186	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	50%
Machinery goods: 1	total						<inter-regional exports=""></inter-regional>	
Intra-East Asia	44,078	20.2	83,446	28.2	115,974	33.7	(i) Growth in inter-regional exports	
Inter-regional	174,480	79.8	212,370	71.8	228,088	66.3	All products	34%
(U.S.)	(76,373)	(34.9)	(100,023)	(33.8)	(95,001)	(27.6)	Machinery goods (total)	31%
Total	218,559	100.0	295,815	100.0	344,062	100.0	- Machinery final goods	21%
							- Machinery parts and components	51%
All products								
Intra-East Asia	69,431	24.2	131,772	32.7	180,469	38.2	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	cts)
Inter-regional	217,517	75.8	271,591	67.3	291,527	61.8	Machinery goods (total)	72%
(U.S.)	(90,944)	(31.7)	(122,549)	(30.4)	(117,539)	(24.9)	- Machinery final goods	34%
Total	286,947	100.0	403,364	100.0	471,996	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	38%

Table A.2 Development of intra-regional exports in Japan

Data source: authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE.

Note:"Intra-East Asia" here includes China, ASEAN4, and NIES3. Due to lack of data available from UN COMTRADE, Taiwan is not included in East Asia.

(a) Intra- and inter-	regional exp	ports (m	illions US\$)				(b) Factors of growth in exports (1990	-2003)
	1990		2001		2003			
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Machinery goods: p	arts and co	mponen	ts				<intra-east asian="" exports=""></intra-east>	
Intra-East Asia	23,518	53.6	84,623	59.0	124,336	65.4	(i) Growth in intra-East Asian exports	
Inter-regional	20,357	46.4	58,739	41.0	65,738	34.6	All products	170%
(U.S.)	(9,600)	(21.9)	(20,881)	(14.6)	(21,247)	(11.2)	Machinery goods (total)	310%
Total	43,875	100.0	143,363	100.0	190,074	100.0	- Machinery final goods	160%
							- Machinery parts and components	429%
Machinery goods: fi	inal goods							
Intra-East Asia	18,499	30.1	34,740	28.8	48,111	32.1	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	icts)
Inter-regional	43,033	69.9	86,046	71.2	101,913	67.9	Machinery goods (total)	73%
(U.S.)	(17,336)	(28.2)	(32,909)	(27.2)	(36,329)	(24.2)	- Machinery final goods	17%
Total	61,532	100.0	120,786	100.0	150,024	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	57%
Machinery goods: to	otal						<inter-regional exports=""></inter-regional>	
Intra-East Asia	42,017	39.9	119,363	45.2	172,447	50.7	(i) Growth in inter-regional exports	
Inter-regional	63,390	60.1	144,785	54.8	167,651	49.3	All products	91%
(U.S.)	(26,936)	(25.6)	(53,790)	(20.4)	(57,576)	(16.9)	Machinery goods (total)	164%
Total	105,407	100.0	264,148	100.0	340,098	100.0	- Machinery final goods	137%
							- Machinery parts and components	223%
All products								
Intra-East Asia	104,639	41.3	213,351	46.1	282,712	49.9	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	icts)
Inter-regional	148,478	58.7	249,903	53.9	284,008	50.1	Machinery goods (total)	77%
(U.S.)	(61,841)	(24.4)	(92,466)	(20.0)	(96,642)	(17.1)	- Machinery final goods	43%
Total	253,116	100.0	463,254	100.0	566,720	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	33%

Table A.3 Development of intra-regional exports in NIEs3

Data source: authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE.

Note: "Intra-East Asia" here includes China, ASEAN4, and Japan. Due to lack of data available from UN COMTRADE, (i) Taiwan is not included in East Asia, and (ii) data for Hong Kong in 1993 are used in calculating intra-East Asian exports in 1990.

(a) Intra- and inter-	regional exj	ports (m	illions US\$)				(b) Factors of growth in exports (1990)-2003)
	1990		2001		2003			
-	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Machinery goods: p	oarts and co	mponen	ts				<intra-east asian="" exports=""></intra-east>	
Intra-East Asia	5,383	51.0	40,842	54.7	53,087	59.9	(i) Growth in intra-East Asian exports	
Inter-regional	5,170	49.0	33,851	45.3	35,583	40.1	All products	247%
(U.S.)	(3,162)	(30.0)	(14,335)	(19.2)	(13,102)	(14.8)	Machinery goods (total)	828%
Total	10,553	100.0	74,693	100.0	88,670	100.0	- Machinery final goods	683%
							- Machinery parts and components	886%
Machinery goods: fi	inal goods							
Intra-East Asia	2,187	34.7	15,005	34.2	17,129	34.9	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all produ	ucts)
Inter-regional	4,107	65.3	28,912	65.8	31,883	65.1	Machinery goods (total)	62%
(U.S.)	(2,004)	(31.8)	(12,776)	(29.1)	(15,157)	(30.9)	- Machinery final goods	15%
Total	6,293	100.0	43,918	100.0	49,012	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	48%
Machinery goods: to	otal						<inter-regional exports=""></inter-regional>	
Intra-East Asia	7,570	44.9	55,848	47.1	70,217	51.0	(i) Growth in inter-regional exports	
Inter-regional	9,276	55.1	62,763	52.9	67,466	49.0	All products	276%
(U.S.)	(5,166)	(30.7)	(27,110)	(22.9)	(28,259)	(20.5)	Machinery goods (total)	627%
Total	16,846	100.0	118,611	100.0	137,682	100.0	- Machinery final goods	676%
							- Machinery parts and components	588%
All products								
Intra-East Asia	40,548	51.9	114,181	47.3	140,831	49.9	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all prod	ucts)
Inter-regional	37,649	48.1	127,404	52.7	141,497	50.1	Machinery goods (total)	56%
(U.S.)	(13,594)	(17.4)	(47,819)	(19.8)	(48,835)	(17.3)	- Machinery final goods	27%
Total	78,197	100.0	241,584	100.0	282,327	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	29%

Table A.4	Development	of intra-	regional	exports	in ASEAN4

Data source: authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE.

Note: "Intra-East Asia" here includes China, NIES3, and Japan. Due to lack of data available from UN COMTRADE, (i) Taiwan is not included in East Asia, and (ii) data for the Philippines are not included in calculating intra-East Asian trade in 1990.

(a) Intra- and inter-	regional ex	ports (m	illions US\$)				(b) Factors of growth in exports (199	0-2003)
	1990	-	2001		2003			,
-	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Machinery goods: p	oarts and co	mponen	ts				<intra-east asian="" exports=""></intra-east>	
Intra-East Asia	4,218	74.2	24,374	56.2	46,069	56.1	(i) Growth in intra-East Asian exports	
Inter-regional	1,468	25.8	19,010	43.8	36,084	<u>43.9</u>	All products	226%
(U.S.)	(460)	(8.1)	(7,018)	(16.2)	(12,500)	(15.2)	Machinery goods (total)	640%
Total	5,685	100.0	43,384	100.0	82,154	100.0	- Machinery final goods	439%
							- Machinery parts and components	992%
Machinery goods: fi	inal goods							
Intra-East Asia	7,385	71.8	21,970	37.0	39,798	33.5	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all prod	lucts)
Inter-regional	2,898	28.2	37,369	63.0	79,080	66.5	Machinery goods (total)	59%
(U.S.)	(872)	(8.5)	(23,572)	(39.7)	(32,841)	(27.6)	- Machinery final goods	26%
Total	10,283	100.0	59,339	100.0	118,878	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	33%
Machinery goods: to	otal						<inter-regional exports=""></inter-regional>	
Intra-East Asia	11,603	72.7	46,344	45.1	85,868	42.7	(i) Growth in inter-regional exports	
Inter-regional	4,366	27.3	56,379	54.9	115,164	57.3	All products	780%
(U.S.)	(1,332)	(8.3)	(30,590)	(29.8)	(45,340)	(22.6)	Machinery goods (total)	2538%
Total	15,968	100.0	102,723	100.0	201,032	100.0	- Machinery final goods	2629%
							- Machinery parts and components	2358%
All products								
Intra-East Asia	55,848	65.7	119,804	45.0	182,185	41.6	(ii) Contribution to the growth (all prod	lucts)
Inter-regional	29,092	34.3	146,294	55.0	256,043	58.4	Machinery goods (total)	49%
(U.S.)	(8,599)	(10.1)	(70,050)	(26.3)	(92,626)	(21.1)	- Machinery final goods	34%
Total	84,940	100.0	266,098	100.0	438,228	100.0	- Machinery parts and components	15%

Table A.5 Development of intra-regional exports in China

Data source: authors' calculation, based on UN COMTRADE.

Note: "Intra-East Asia" here includes ASEAN4, NIES3, and Japan. Due to lack of data available from UN COMTRADE, (i) Taiwan is not included in East Asia, and (ii) data for China in 1992 are used in calculating intra-East Asian trade in 1990.