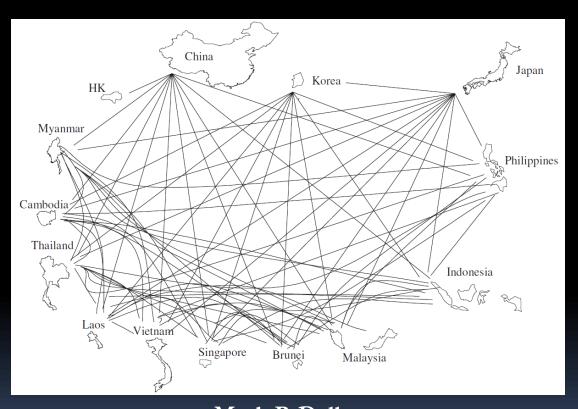
Fragmentation and Hierarchy in Global Production:

'Locating' China in the New International Division of Labor



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~Global Inequality~

In which country were you born? Dumb luck!



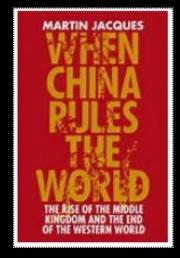


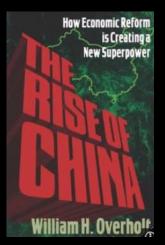




The "Rise of China" Literature





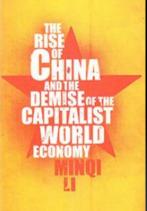
















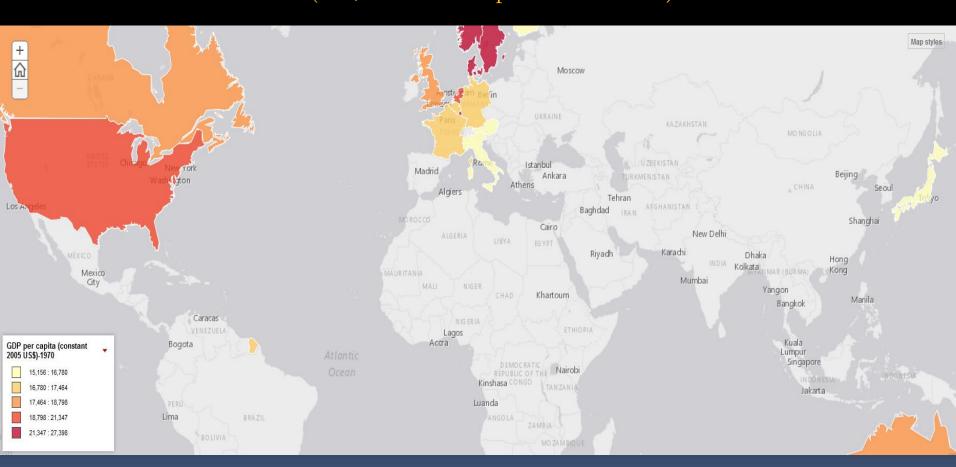




Macro-View

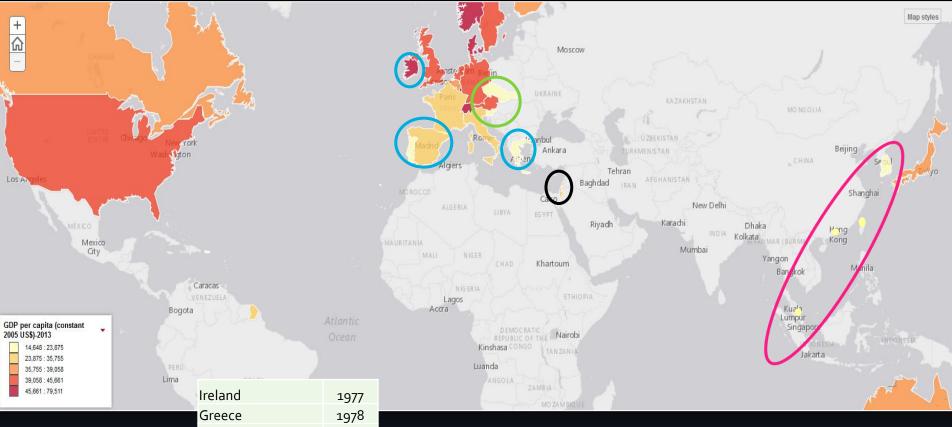
Advanced ('Rich') Countries ~ 1970

(\$15,000 GDP/capita in 2005 US\$)



Advanced ('Rich')Countries – 2013

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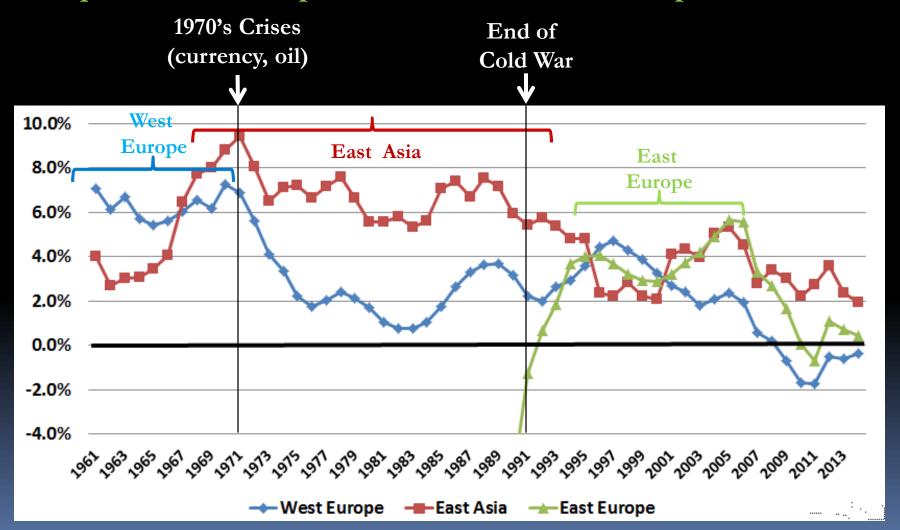
"Newly
Industrialized
Countries"
(NIC-12)

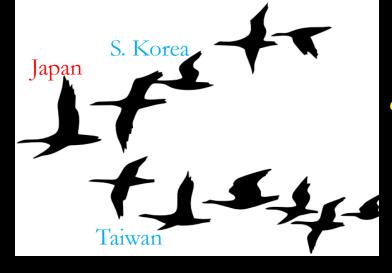
Spain 1983 Hong Kong, China 1987 Singapore 1989 Portugal 1992 Israel 1995 Korea, Rep. 2000 Slovenia 2000 Slovak Republic 2012 Czech Republic 2014 (Taiwan, ROC)

- ✓ Geographic Clustering: 'Periphery' of Advanced
- ✓ Small countries
- ✓ Deeply Integrated w/ Advanced: Trade & Investments

Steady High Growth Rates

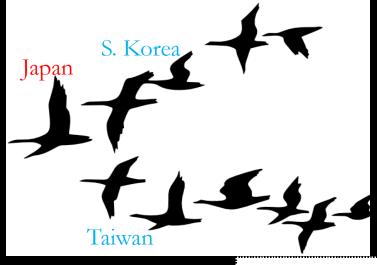
'Peripheral' West Europe: Spain, Portugal, Greece, Ireland (& Israel) East Asian 'Tigers': S. Korea, Hong Kong, Singapore & Taiwan 'Peripheral' East Europe: Slovenia, Czech, Slovak Republics



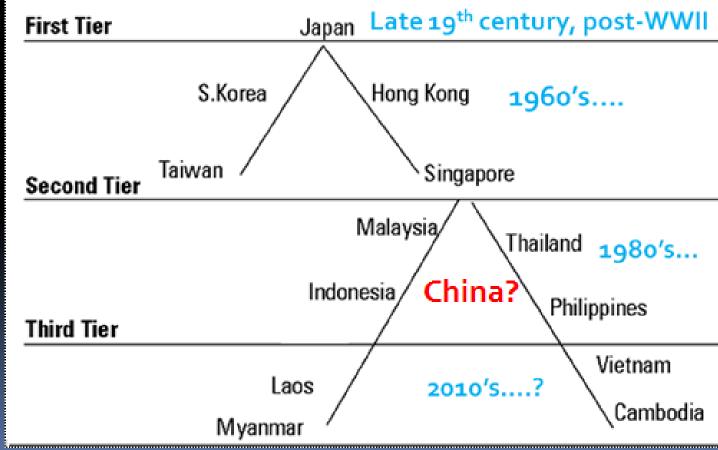


E.U. membership is very special....

'Flying Geese' Model of East Asian development



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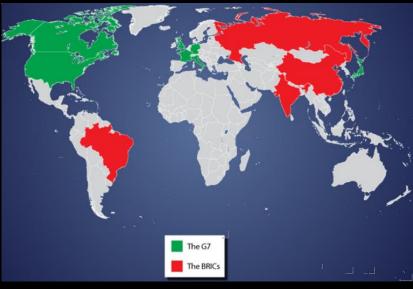
~International Hierarchy~

- ✓ Few countries have risen from 'middle' to 'high' income
- ✓ Peripheral countries have 'special' relationship with advanced countries
- ✓ 'Regional' factors? or Country-level factors?(e.g. East Asia, EU...) (Policies, resources, absence of social cleavages)

Where does China fit?

NICs...."BRICS"







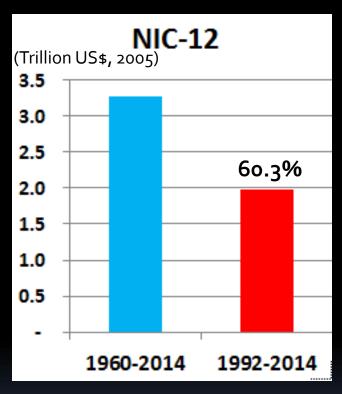






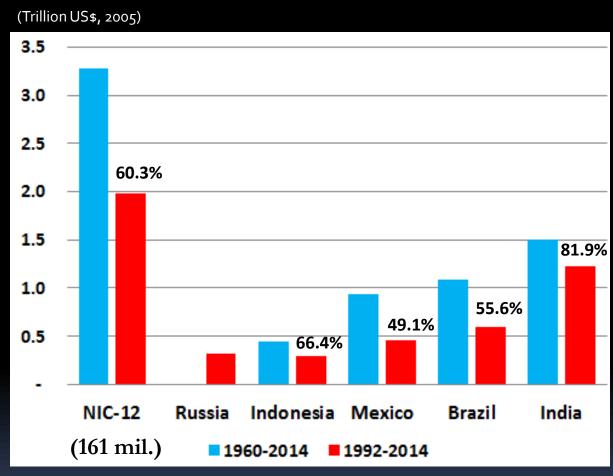


NIC-12 GDP Growth, 1960-2014



Post-Cold War

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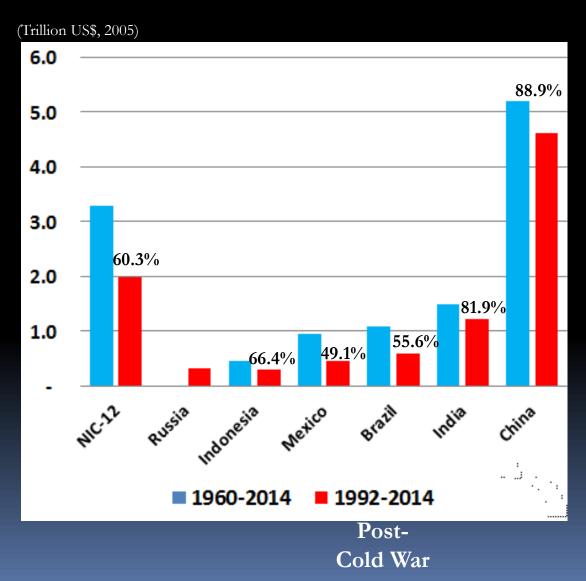


Post-Cold War

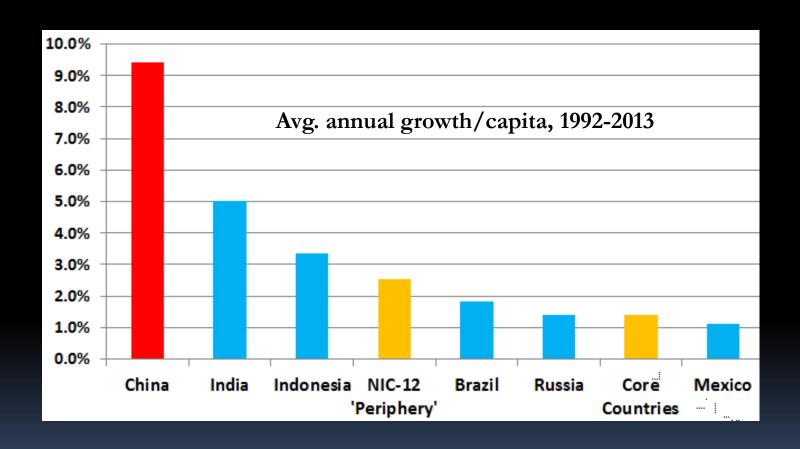
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China stands out....

1) Enormous contribution to global growth, esp Post-Cold War....

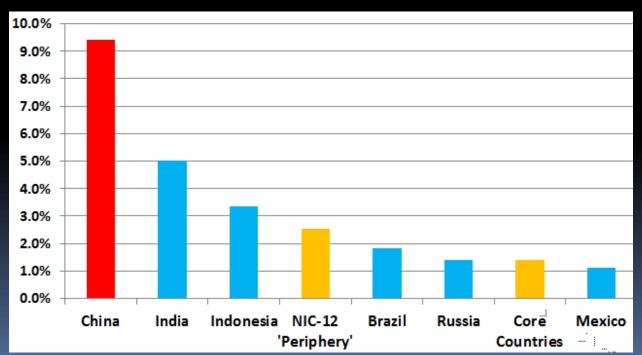


2) 'Catch-up'?
Steady annual growth....



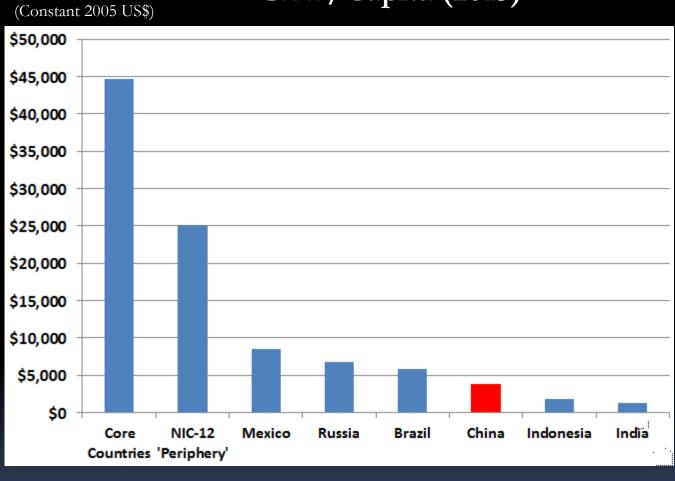
Headline News: China today....6.9%?6.8%?





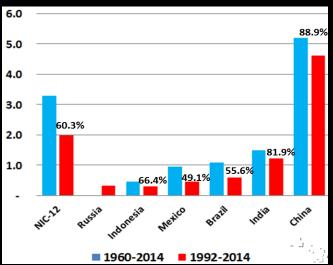
3) But, still low in the hierarchy.....

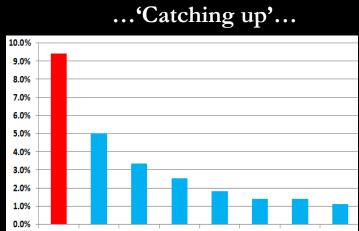




China







Indonesia NIC-12

'Periphery'

Brazil

Russia

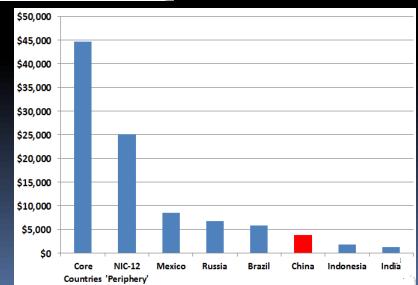
Core

Countries

China

India

...but low on hierarchy



Mexico

Micro-view

How does China fit into the international hierarchy?

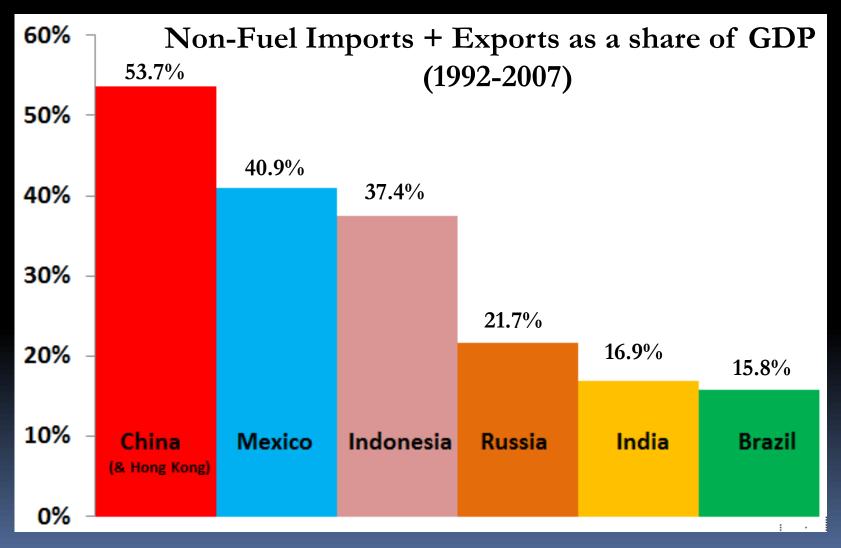
Is China on the NIC path, or not?

Why does China stand out among BRICs? (India vs. China)

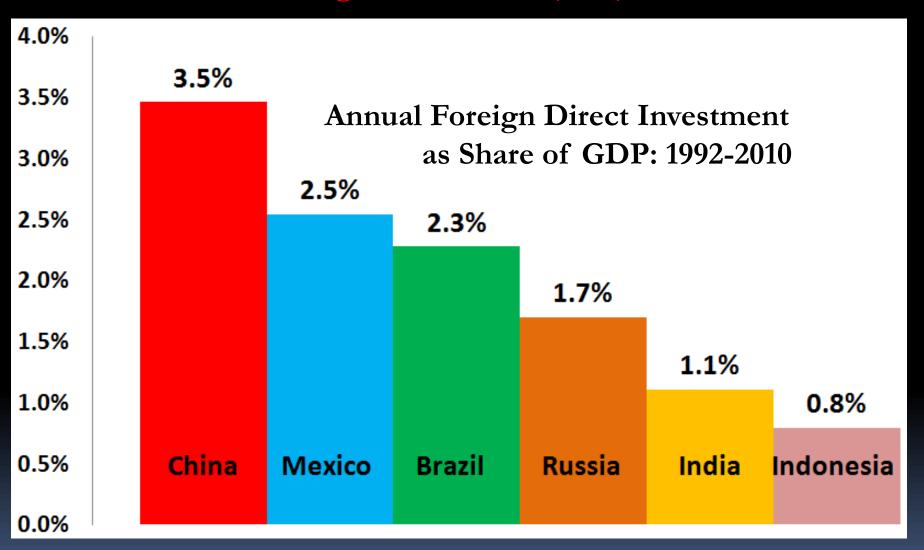
Role of East Asian region in China's rise? ('Flying Geese')

Relationship with Global Economy

China is more trade-oriented

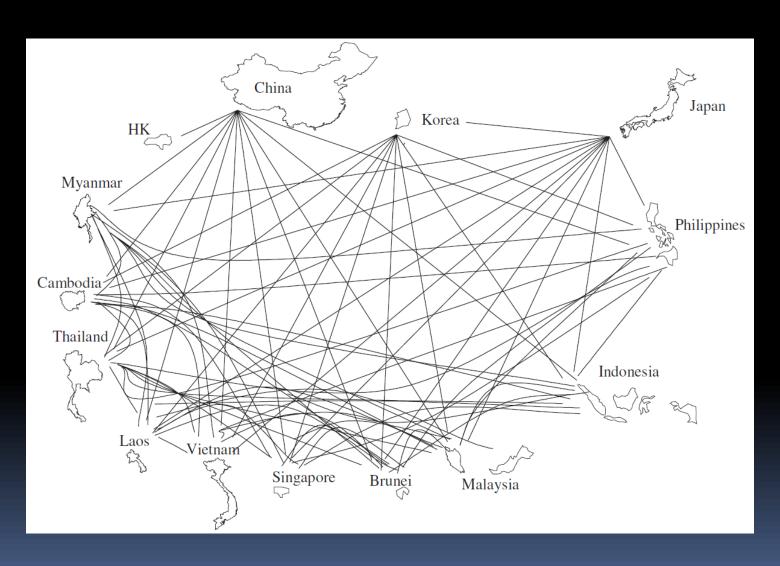


China's foreign investments (FDI) are outsized

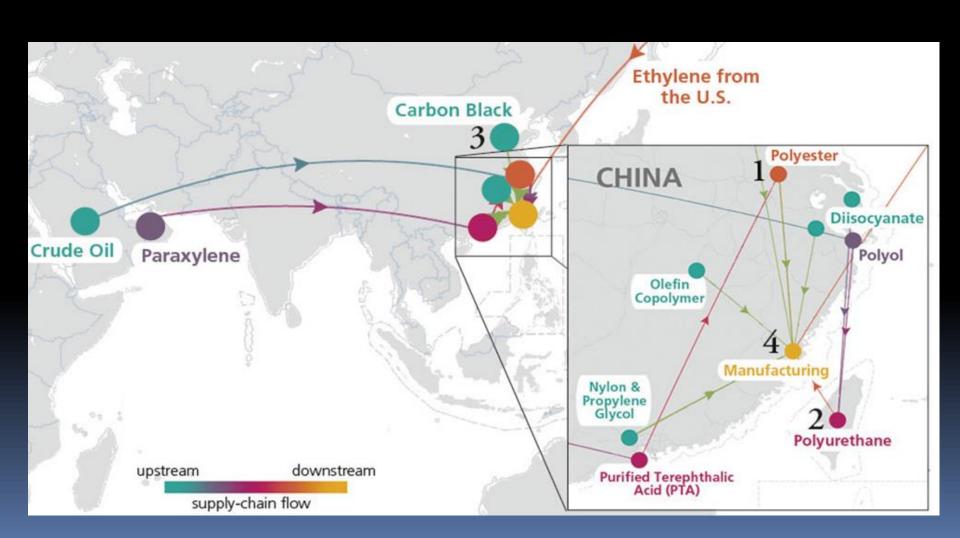


All Developing Economies excluding China = 2.7%

The New International Division of Labor



The Fragmentation of International Production & Information-Communications Technology Revolution



Production & Consumption Co-Located



...today's 'buy local,' 'eat local' movements

Late 19th and 20th Century Industrialization



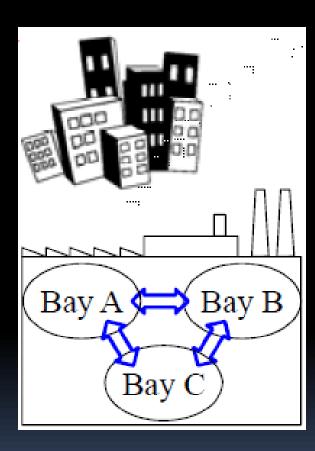
'Steam Revolution'

(Trains/Ships)



Consumption

Production



Factory

Henry Ford's River Rouge Factory Complex



1) Large, vertically-integrated factories

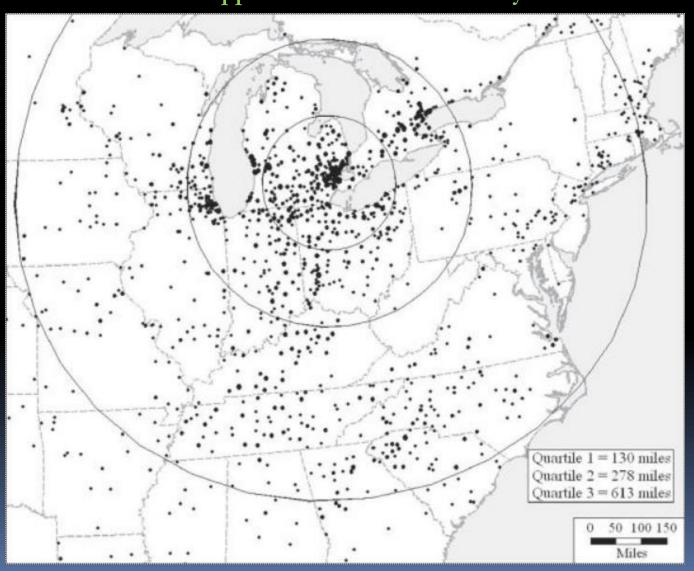






2) National Agglomeration - Detroit 'Motor City'

Ford's Suppliers Relative to Assembly Plants



3) Export 'Final Product'



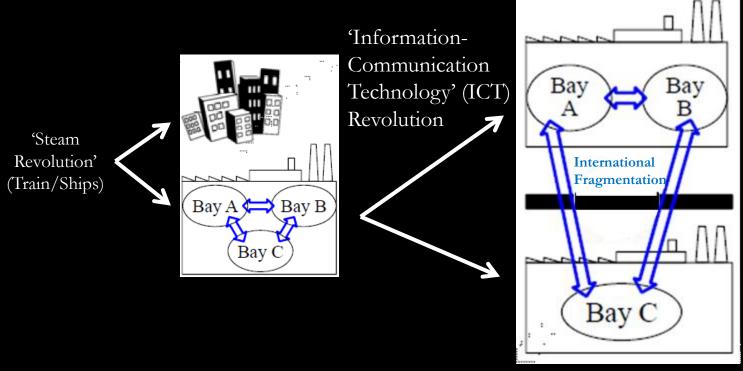








21st Century Industrialization

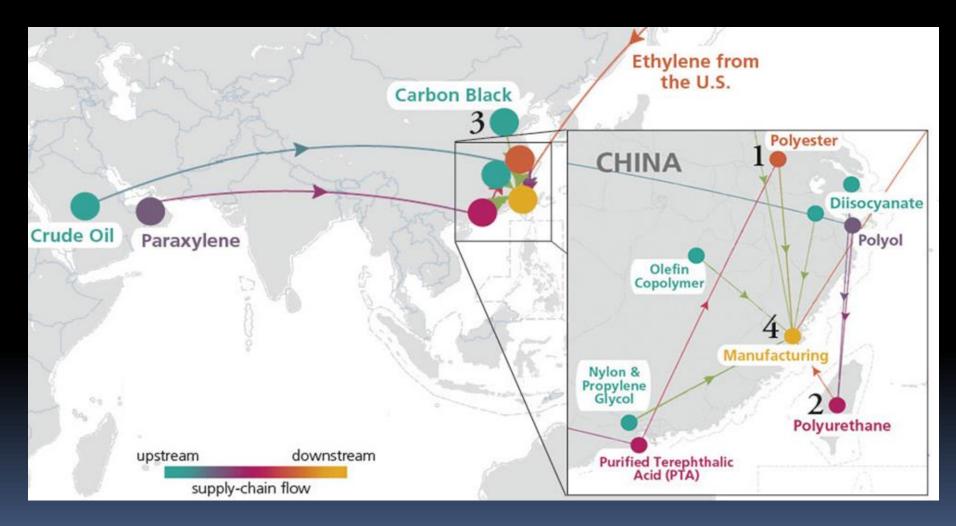


International Fragmented <u>Production</u>

- > De-Verticalization of firms
- > De-Agglomeration of industries
- > Internationalization
- ➤ Trade in 'Intermediate Goods' (parts/components 50%+ global trade)

Fragmentation of International Production &





Major Transformation in Production (~1980's – today)

Integrated & National Production



International& Fragmented Production



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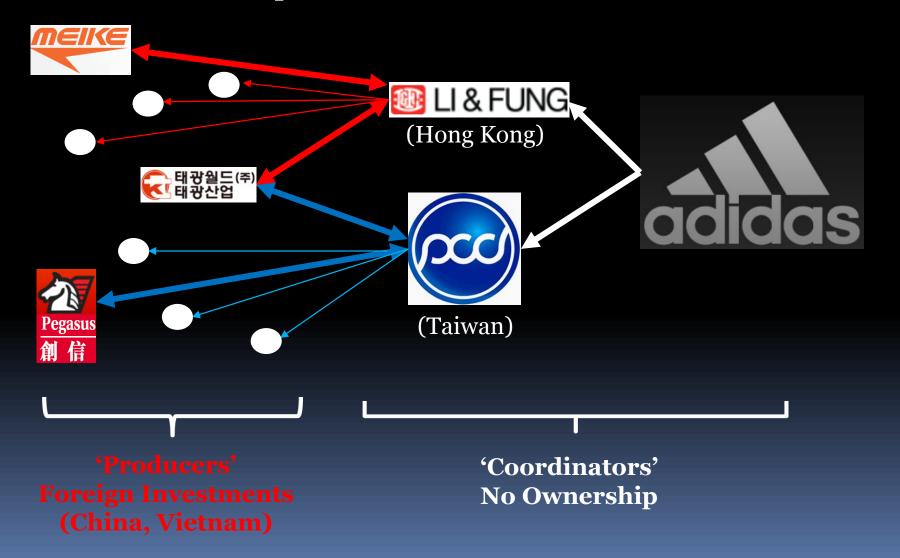


Year	Employees	# of Suppliers	Supplier Workforce	# of Supplier Countries
1998	2,572	7,500	~1,000,000+	26
2007	5,621	8,300	~2,000,000+	40
2014	25,781	~15,000	555	48



Year	Employees (mostly retail)	# of Suppliers	Supplier Workforce	% Female	# of Supplier Countries
2013	48,000	797	1,000,000+	72%	39

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Why important? Simple illustration....





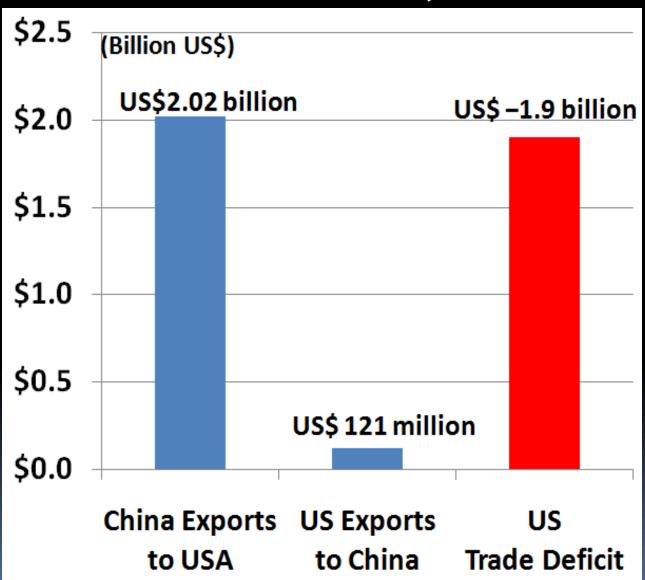


Reality is more complicated...



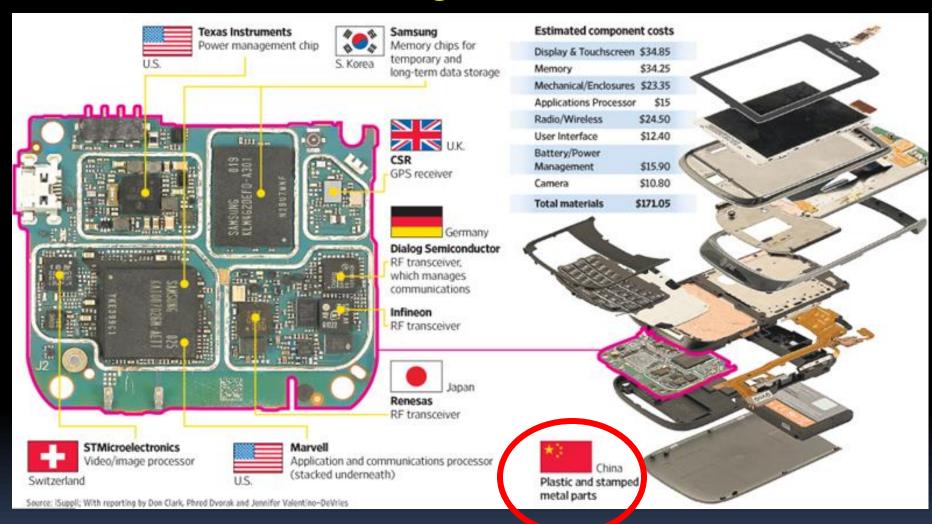
Traditional trade balance accounting....

iPhones net trade, 2009

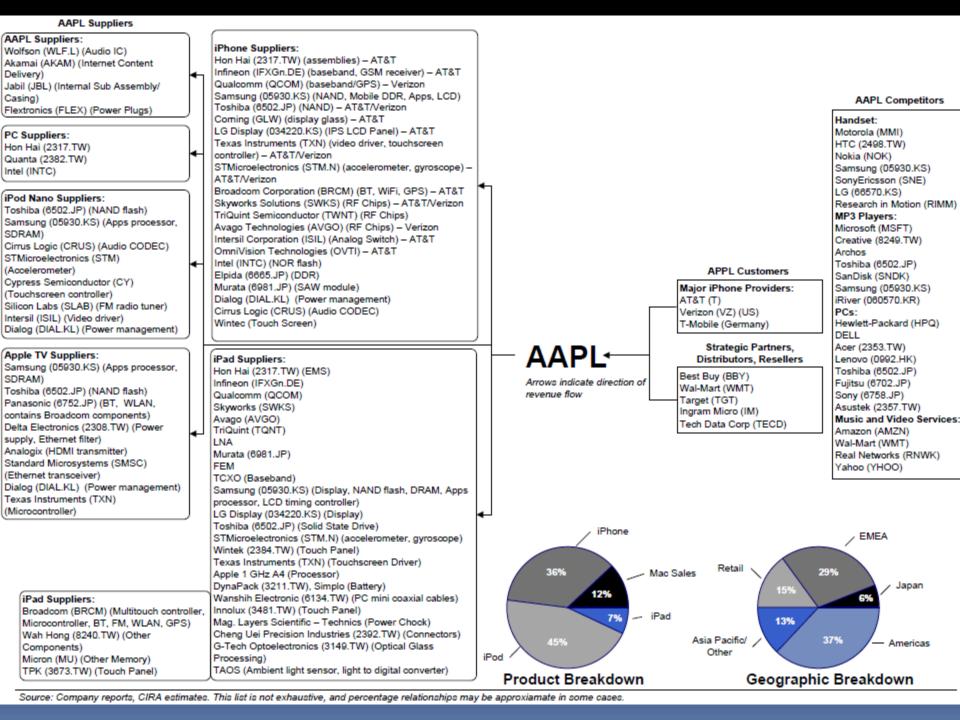


But, China does not receive \$1.9 billion....

"International Fragmented Production"

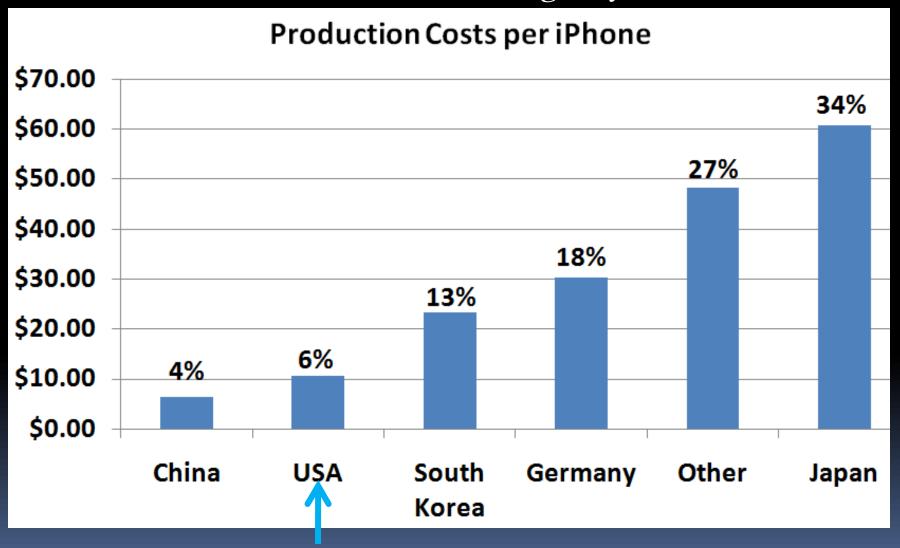


Plus, Chinese assembly...



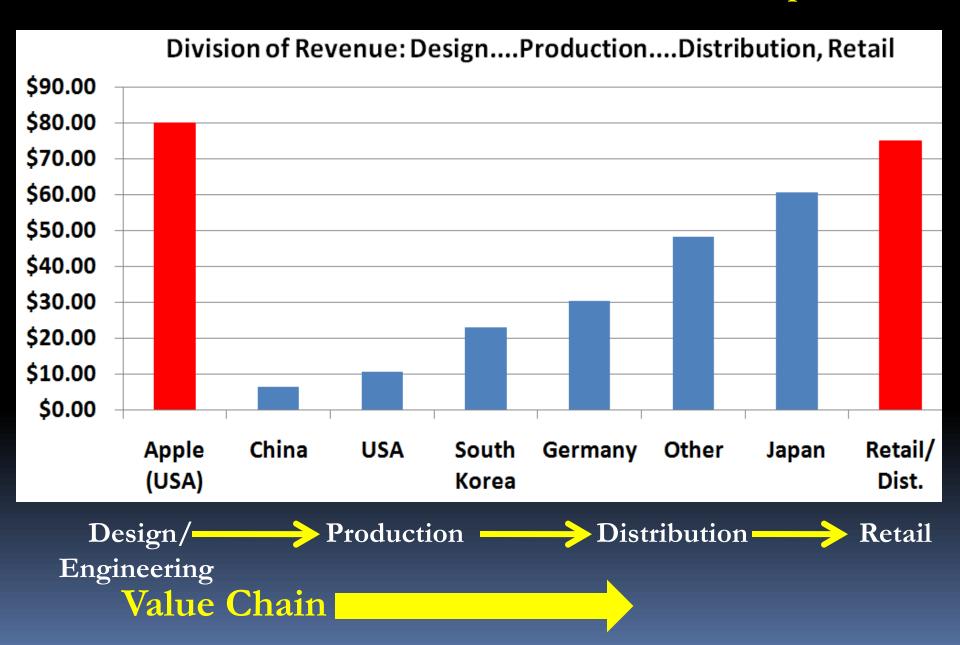
How much does China earn from 'Chinese' exports?

Division of Revenue, Manufacturing only: iPhone, 2009



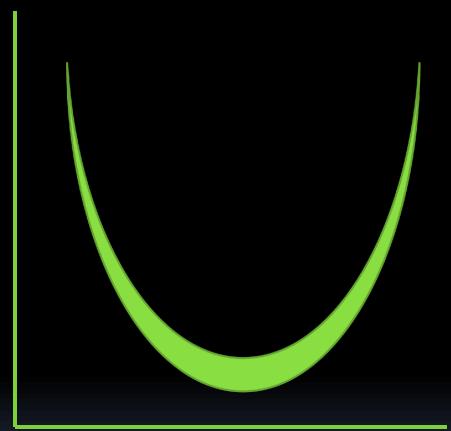
Component parts only

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The U-Shape of Value Added





Low Value-added

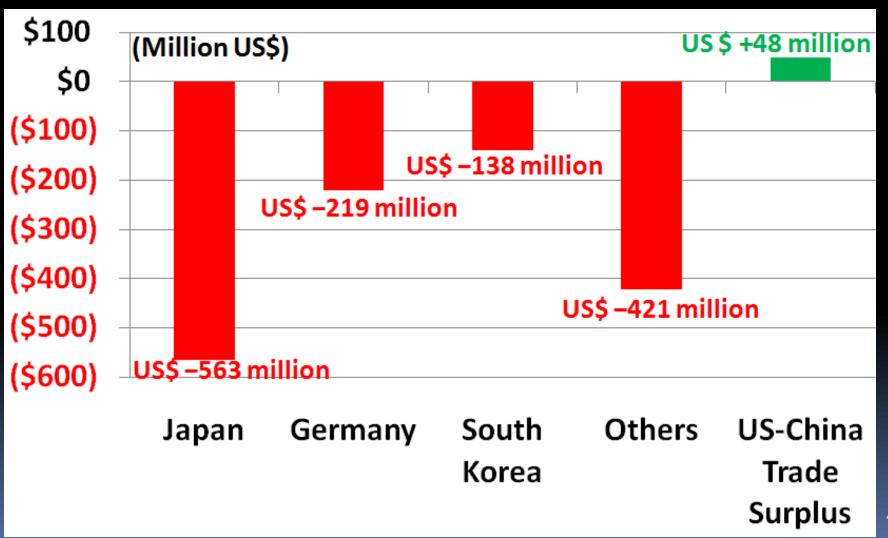
Engineering
Design
Brand name

Manufacturing

Distribution Retail After sales service

'Value-added' approach to US trade

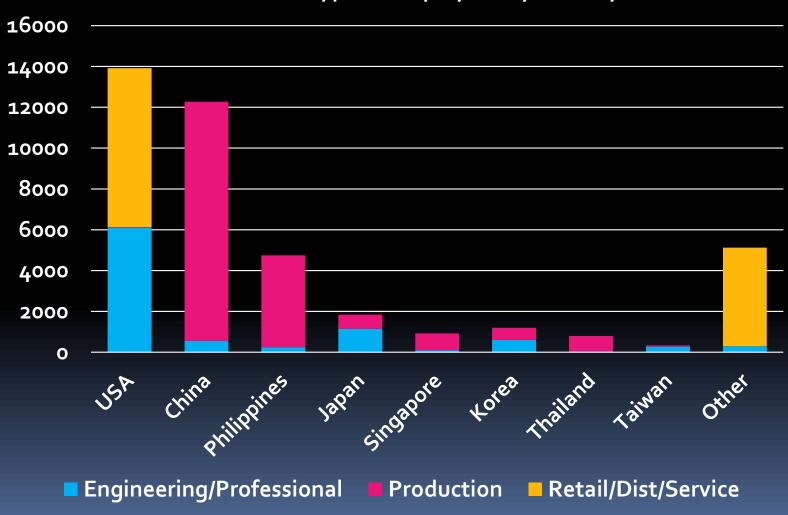
iPhone: US trade balance



Production of the iPod

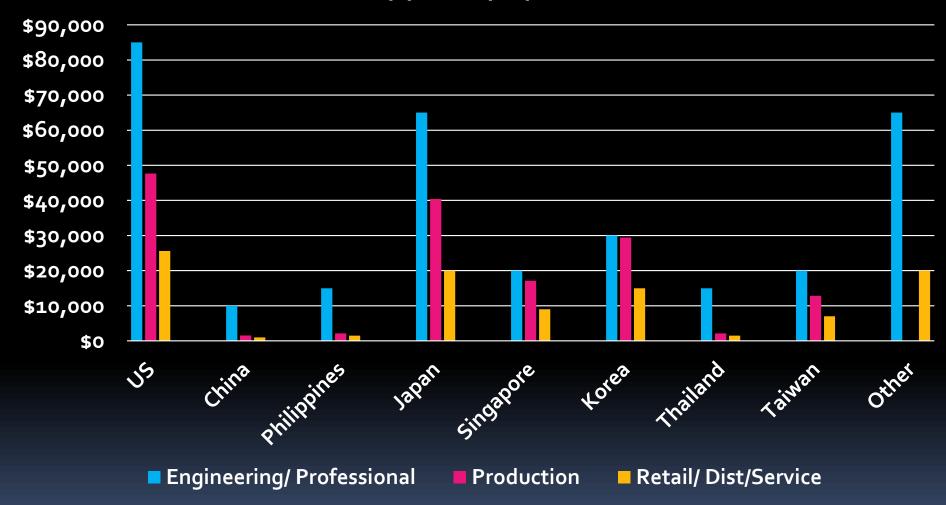
Where are the jobs created?

Number and Type of Employees by Country



How much does each employee earn?

Salary per Employee (US\$)







They both "make" our iPhones, iPods, iPads....



Terry Guo, CEO



- ✓ Owned by Taiwanese Company
 (Hon Hai Precision)
- Factory in Shenzhen: ~300,000 workers
- Employs 1.3 million worldwide



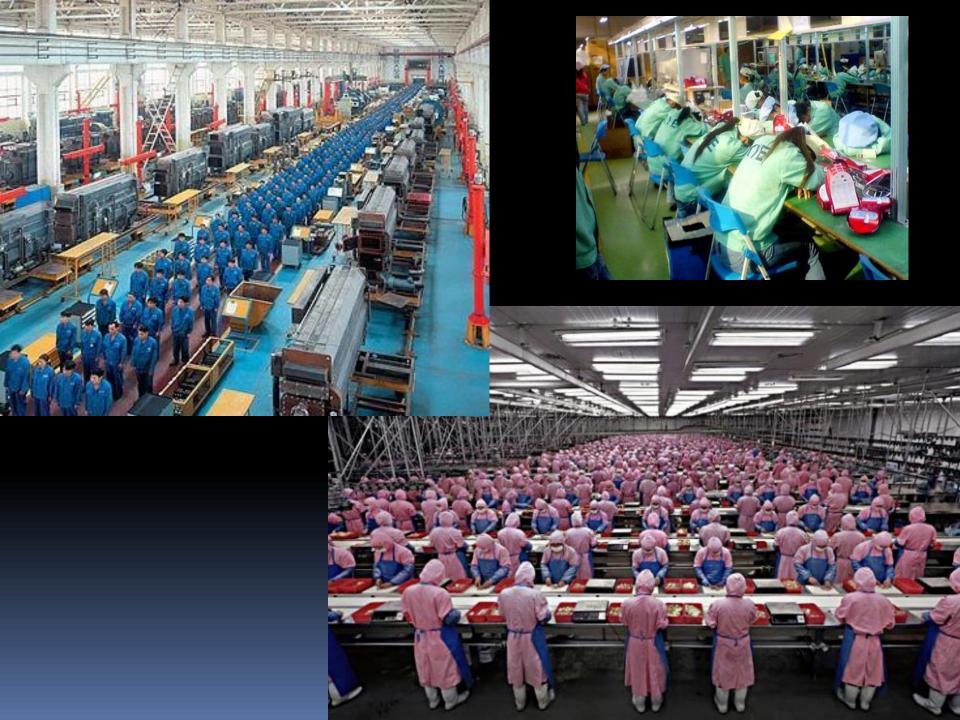




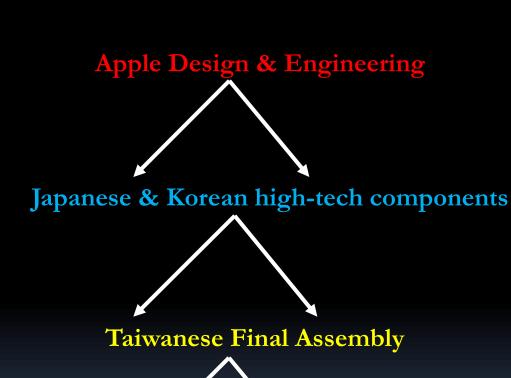
Photo by Kin Cheung / AP

Foxconn workers attend a rally Wednesday inside the Foxconn plant in Shenzhen, in south China's Guangdong province.



The New International Division of Labor

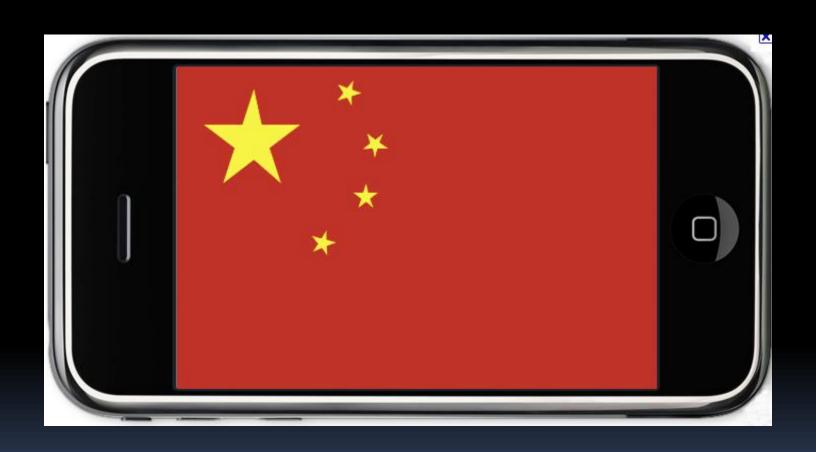
- ✓ International Fragmentation
 - ✓ Functional Integration



Located in China, using Chinese labor

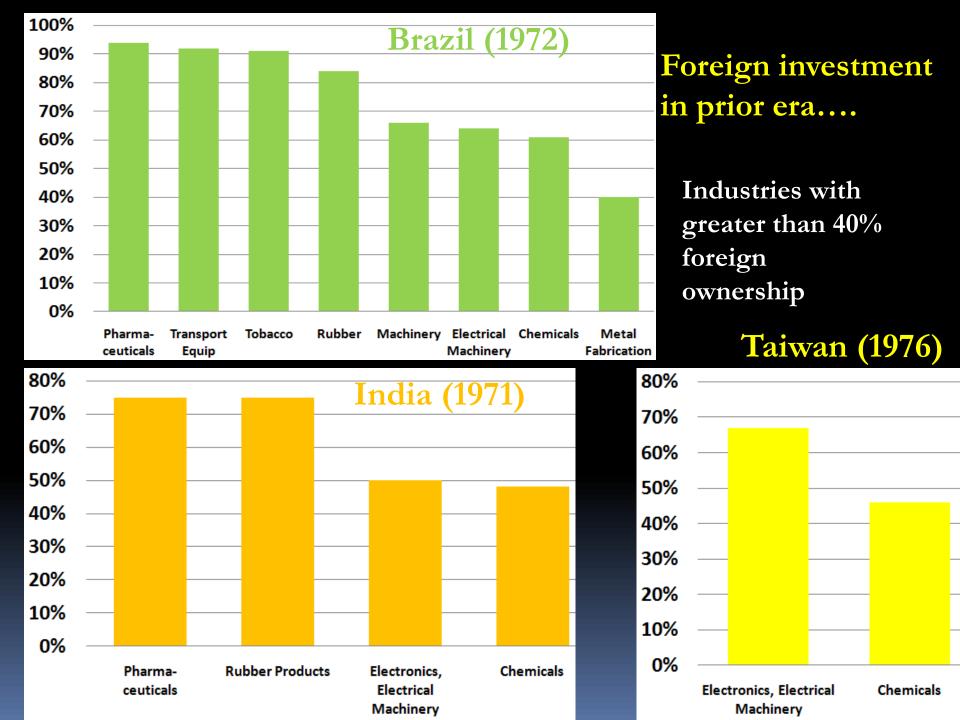


Propaganda or Reality? "Made in China"



How representative is the iPhone? Electronics are 'high-tech'

How about simpler 'low-tech' industries?

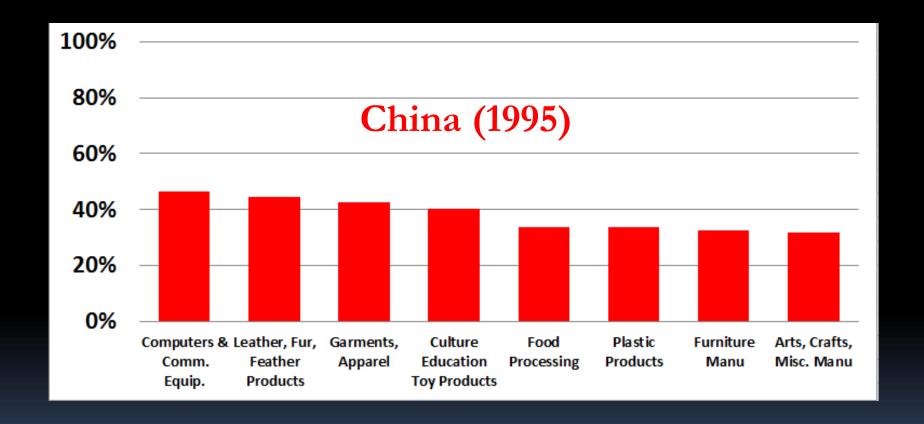


Heavy industry,
Capital-intensive,
& High tech Manufacturing

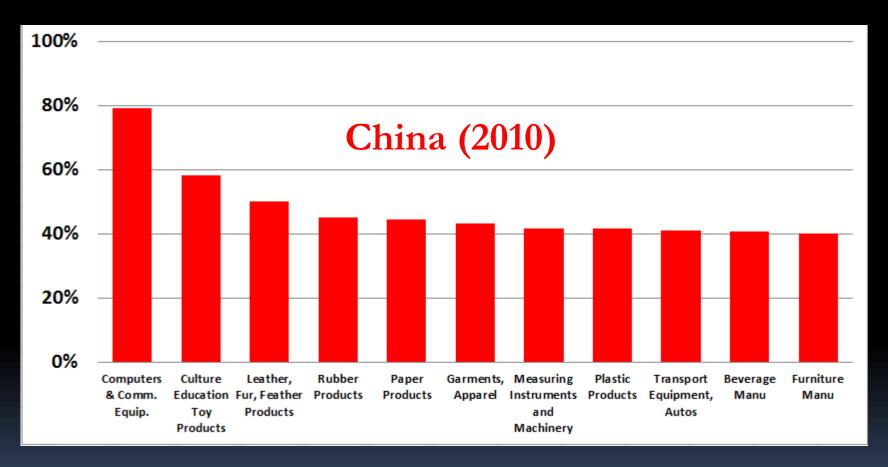
Explanation:
Foreign 'Ownership' advantages

Access to capital,
Advanced technology,
Knowledge, R&D,
International Oligopolies,
Managerial skill....

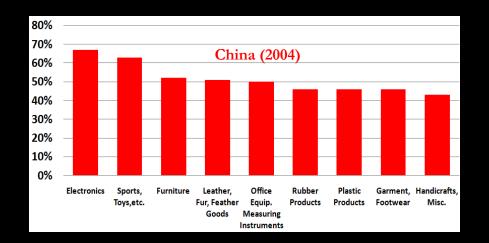
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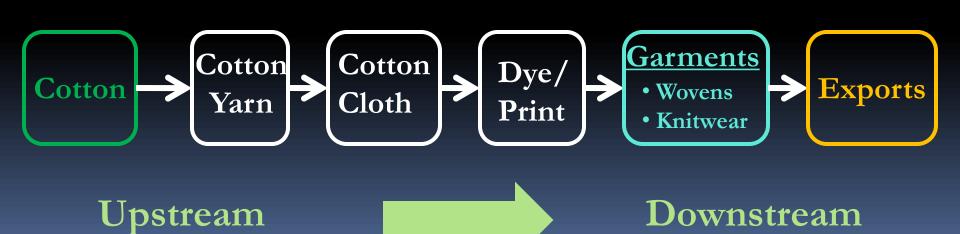
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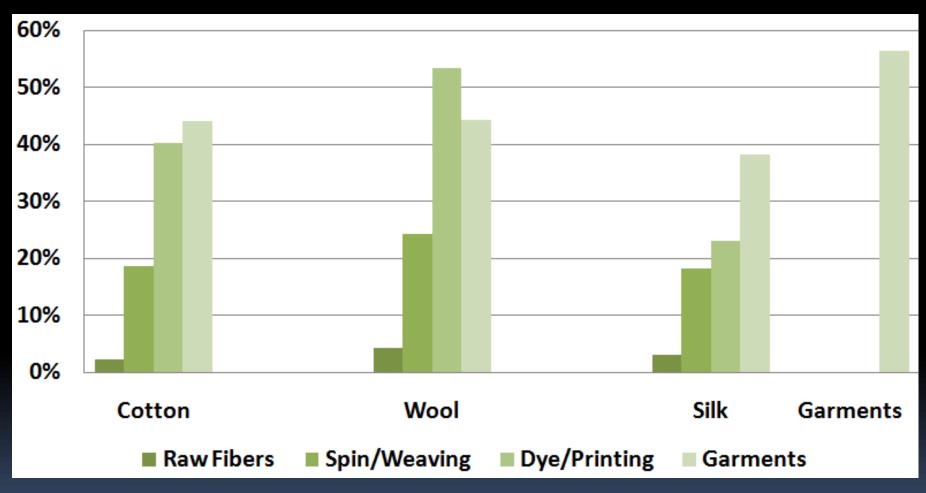
Two-digit level



Four-digit level ~Fragmented Industries



Textile & Garment Industry: Share of Assets owned by Foreign Firms



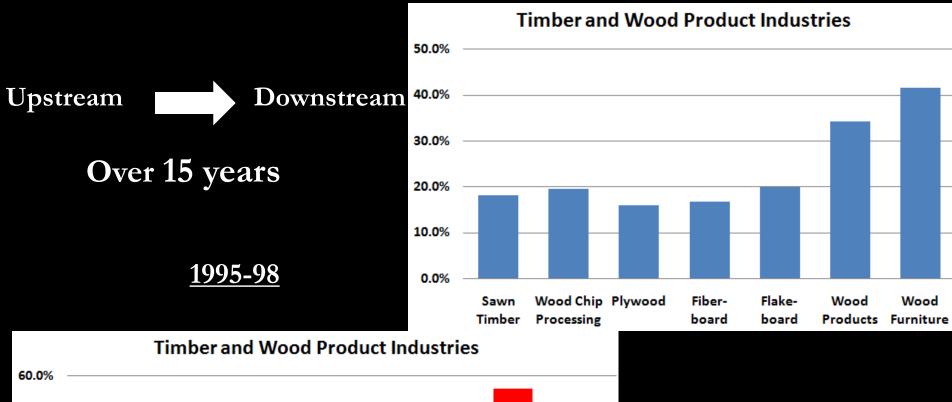
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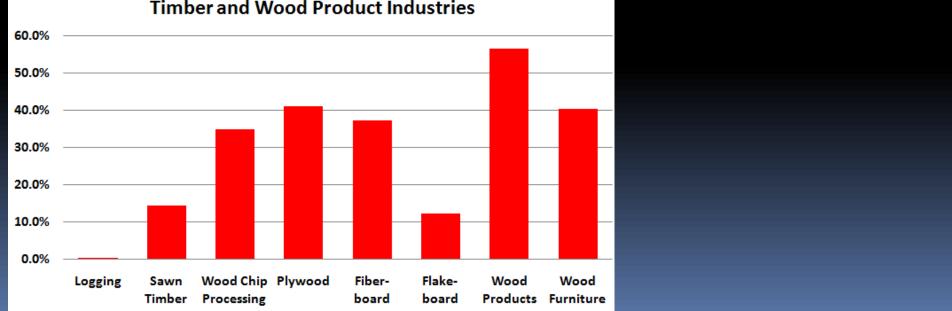


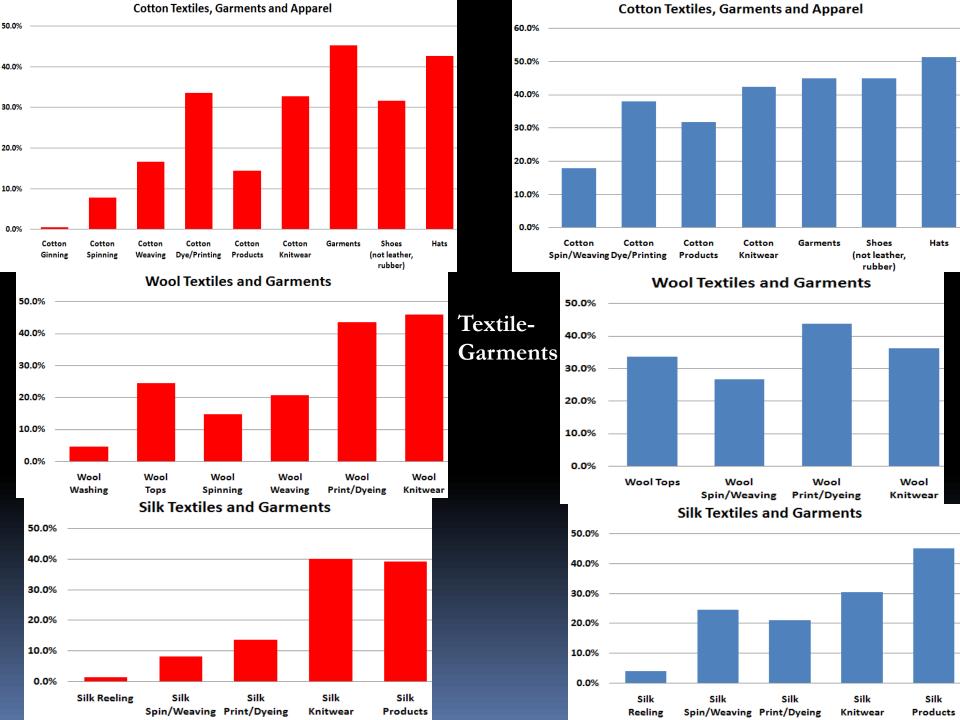
Downstream











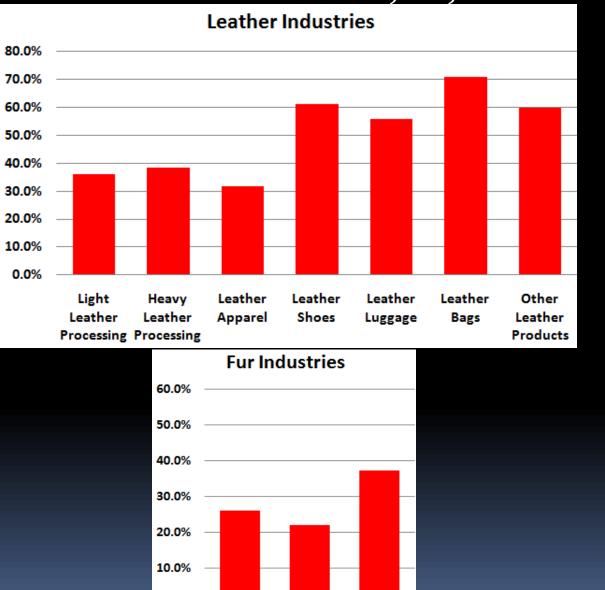
<u>1995-98</u>

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Fur Tanning

Share of Foreign Assets ~ Leather, Fur, Feather Products ~

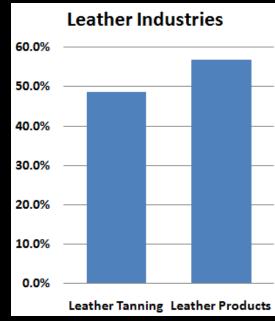
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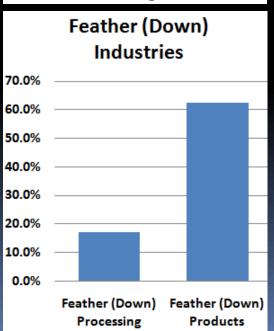


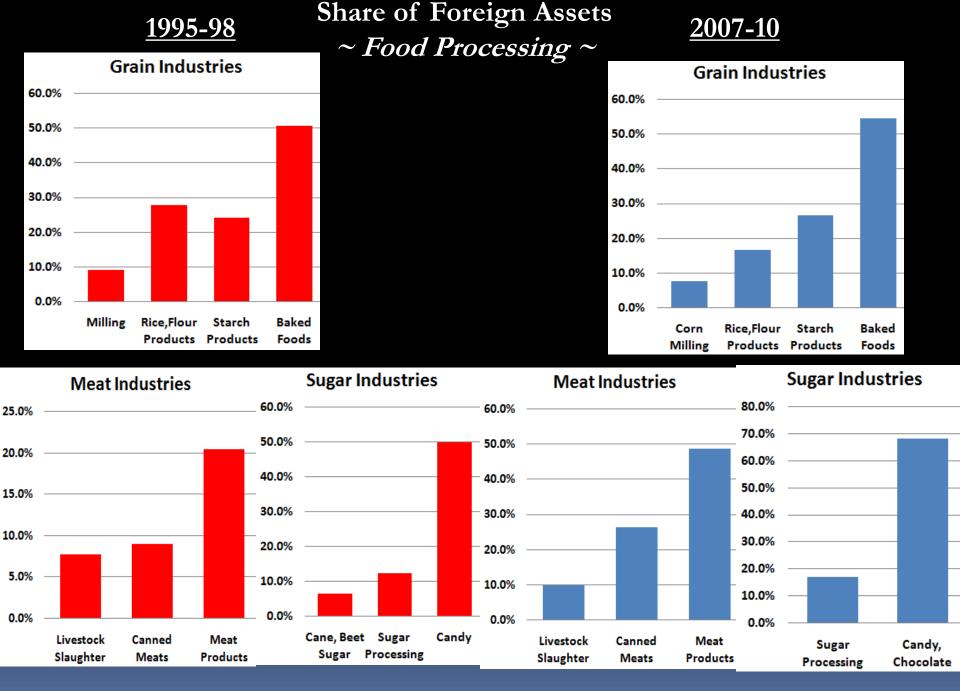
Other Fur

Products

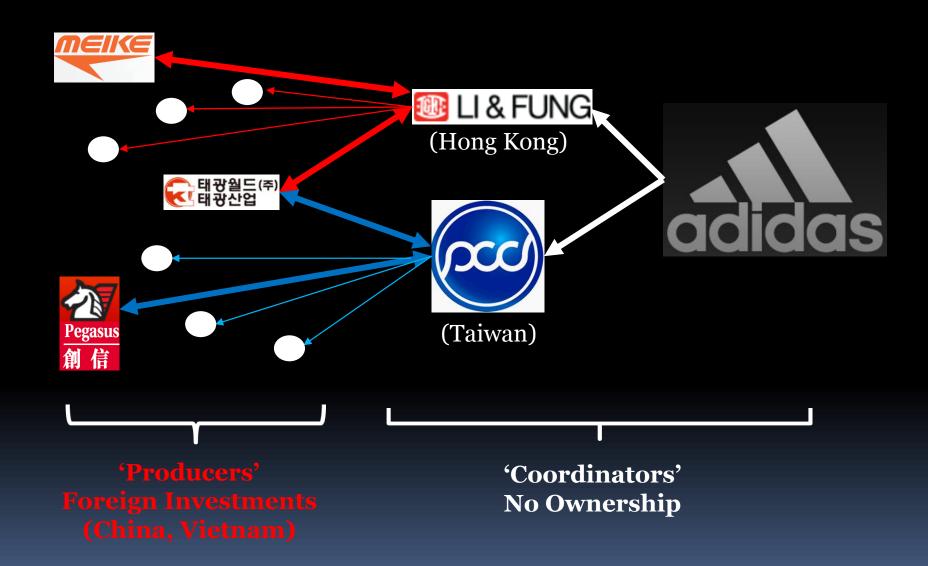
Fur Clothing







Why is this happening?



Conventional Trade Data

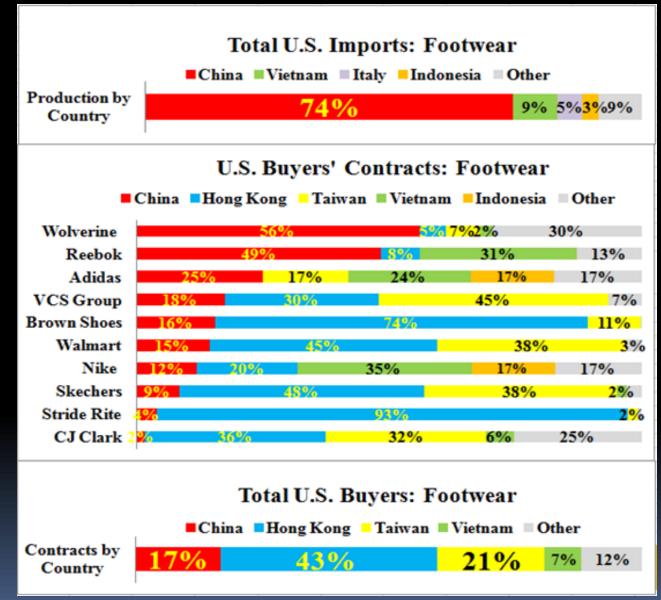
Footwear, 2007-2012





Manufacturing vs. Contracting: Footwear



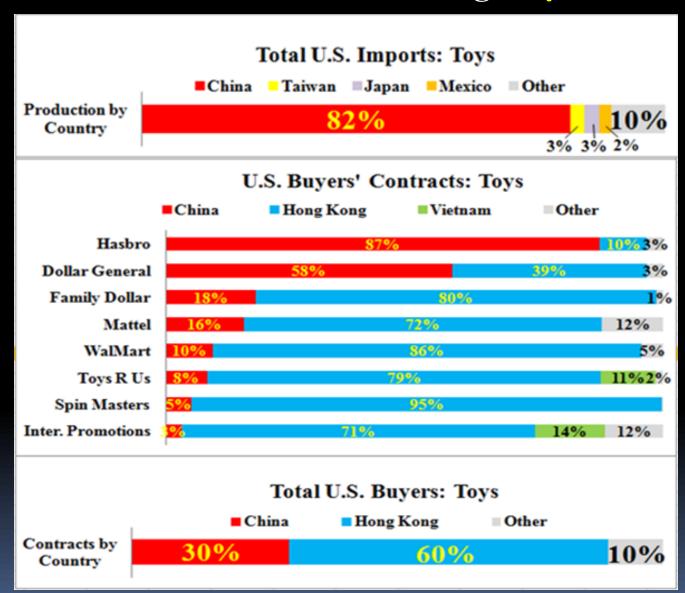


Contracting

Foreign firms in Manufacturing AND Contracting

Production vs. Contracting: Toys

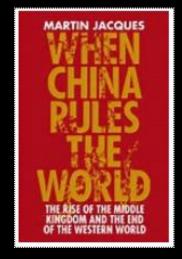
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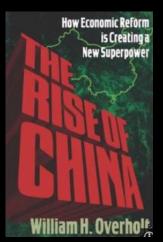


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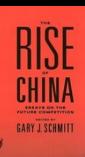


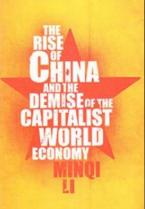




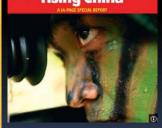














Is 'position' in the division of labor everything?

Does China's **SIZE** not matter?

Yes, SIZE matters...in certain arenas

SIZE Matters too...

Military Spending (2014, estimates)

	Country		Spending (\$ Bn.)	% of GDP
_	World total		1,776.0	2.3%
1	United States	555	610.0	3.5%
2	China	*3	216.0	2.1%
3	Russia		84.5	4.5%
4	Saudi Arabia	828 —	80.8	10.4%
5	France		62.3	2.2%
6	United Kingdom	AK	60.5	2.2%
7	India	0	50.0	2.4%
8	Germany		46.5	1.2%
9	Japan	•	45.8	1.0%
10	South Korea	(•)	36.7	2.6%
11	Brazil	(31.7	1.4%

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China's Quest for Natural Resources.....

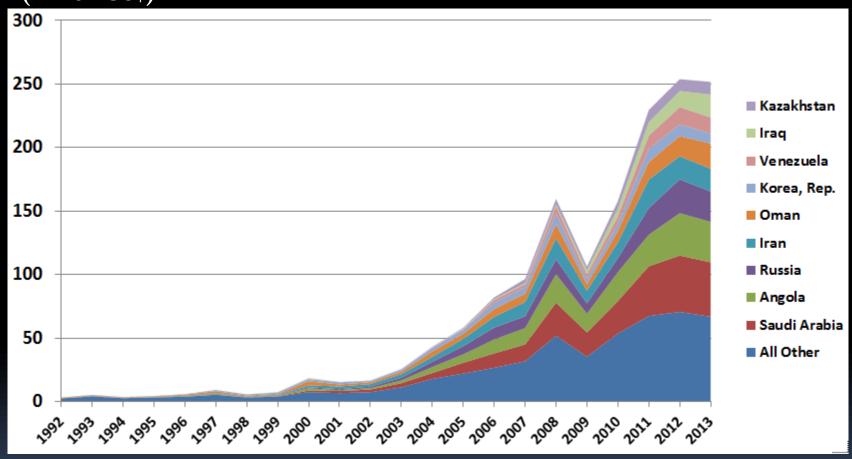




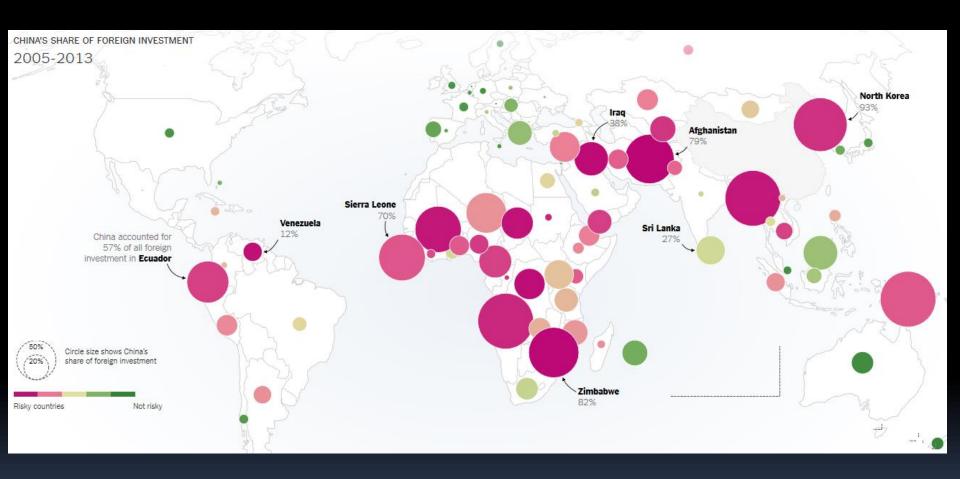


China's Imports of Crude Oil & Petroleum Fuels (1992 – 2013)

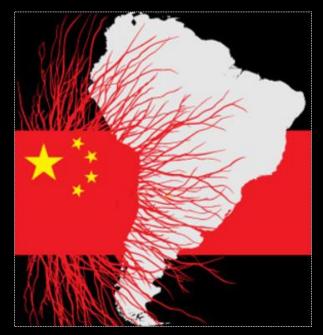




China's Outward Foreign Investments



Least Developed Countries & Fragile States







Mutual Benefit?

(Neo) Imperialism?

Great Power Rivalry?

CONCLUSIONS

International hierarchy is a key form of global inequality

Prospects for rising in international hierarchy:

Difficult but not impossible

Fragmentation & internationalization of production change the game of rising through the hierarchy

Data and observation are critical

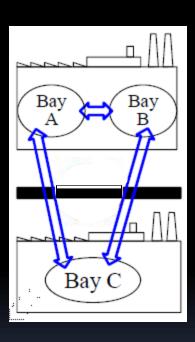
Interpretation of China's position is critical.

Prospects for other countries?

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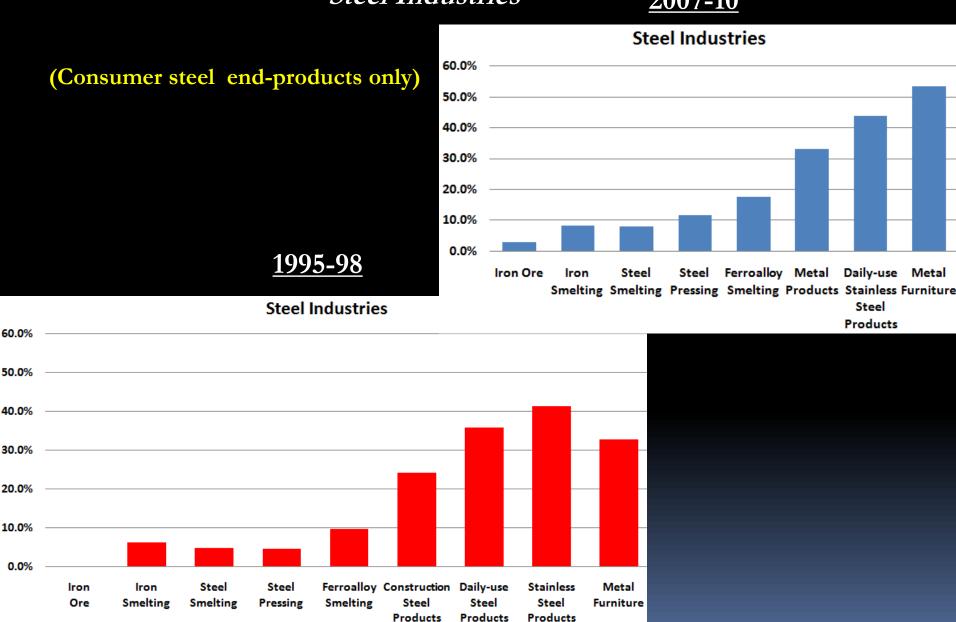
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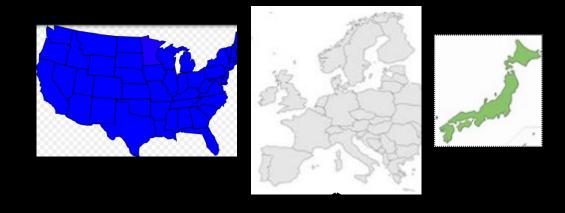
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Share of Foreign Assets ~ Steel Industries ~

2007-10























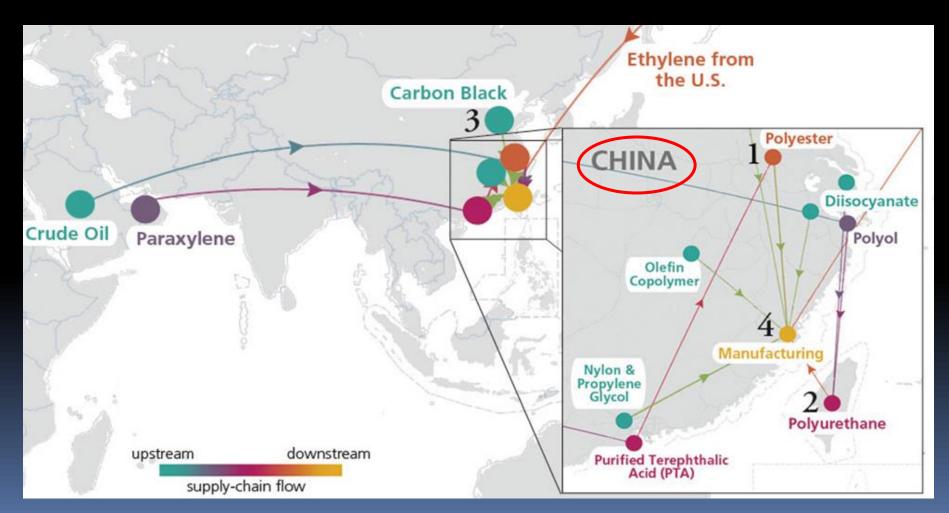
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Production Networks & Organization 'Lead' Firms (Coordinators)

'Subsidiaries' & Offshoring (FDI)

'Suppliers' & Outsourcing (Trade)

'Alliances' (Co-production)





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