

# Emerging “South” and Ageing “North” – A Case for South-South Trade Diversification for Turkey

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# **NTA Turkey – 3 studies**

- 1. National Transfer Accounts (NTA) for Turkey: A First Step – The Life Cycle Deficit**
- 2. Demographic shock in Turkey: Economic and fiscal impacts of UN medium and high fertility scenarios**
  - Small open economy, OLG-CGE**
  - Calibration to some NTA Turkey features**
- 3. Emerging “South and Ageing “North” –A Case for South-South Trade Diversification for Turkey**
  - Multi-country, OLG-CGE model with international trade**

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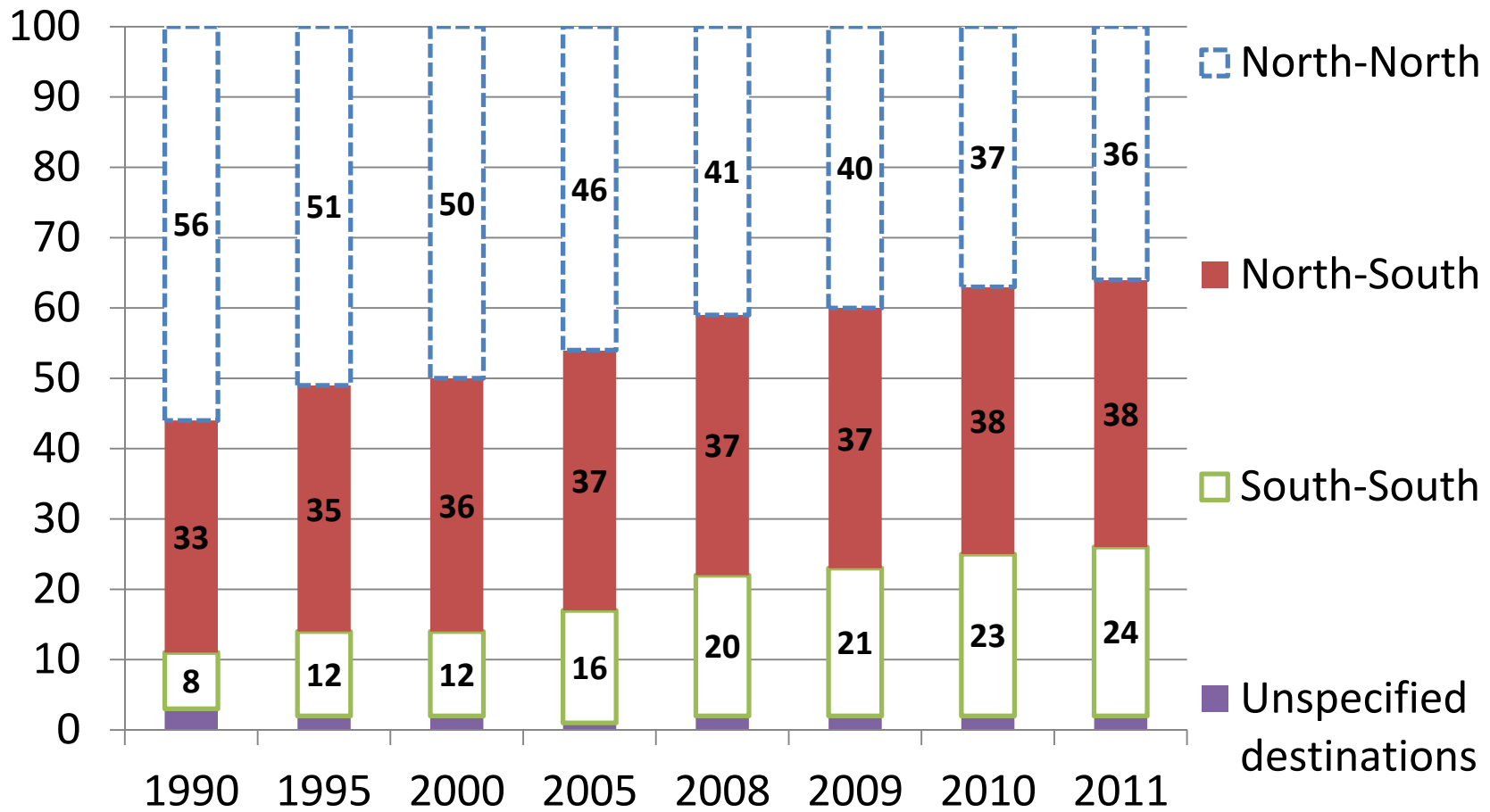
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# Trends in Global Trade Flows

## (last 20 years)

- ***Share of North-North*** Trade: decreased
- Share of ***North-South*** Trade: slight increase
- Share of ***South-South*** Trade: Impressive increase

**Fig. 1 Shares of North-North, North-South and South-South trade in world merchandise exports, 1990-2011  
(% of world trade)**



# Trends in Global Trade Flows

- « *Naïve* » *trend projection*:  
By 2050, *South-South share =50%* of global trade flows  
(compared to 24% today)
- *Danger of extrapolating* past trends, but:
  - South is benefitting from a *demographic dividend*
    - Increasing *number of workers* and *consumers*
  - *South* is a source of *major trade & growth opportunity* for the *South!*

# Trade Policy Debate in Turkey

- ***Big question:***

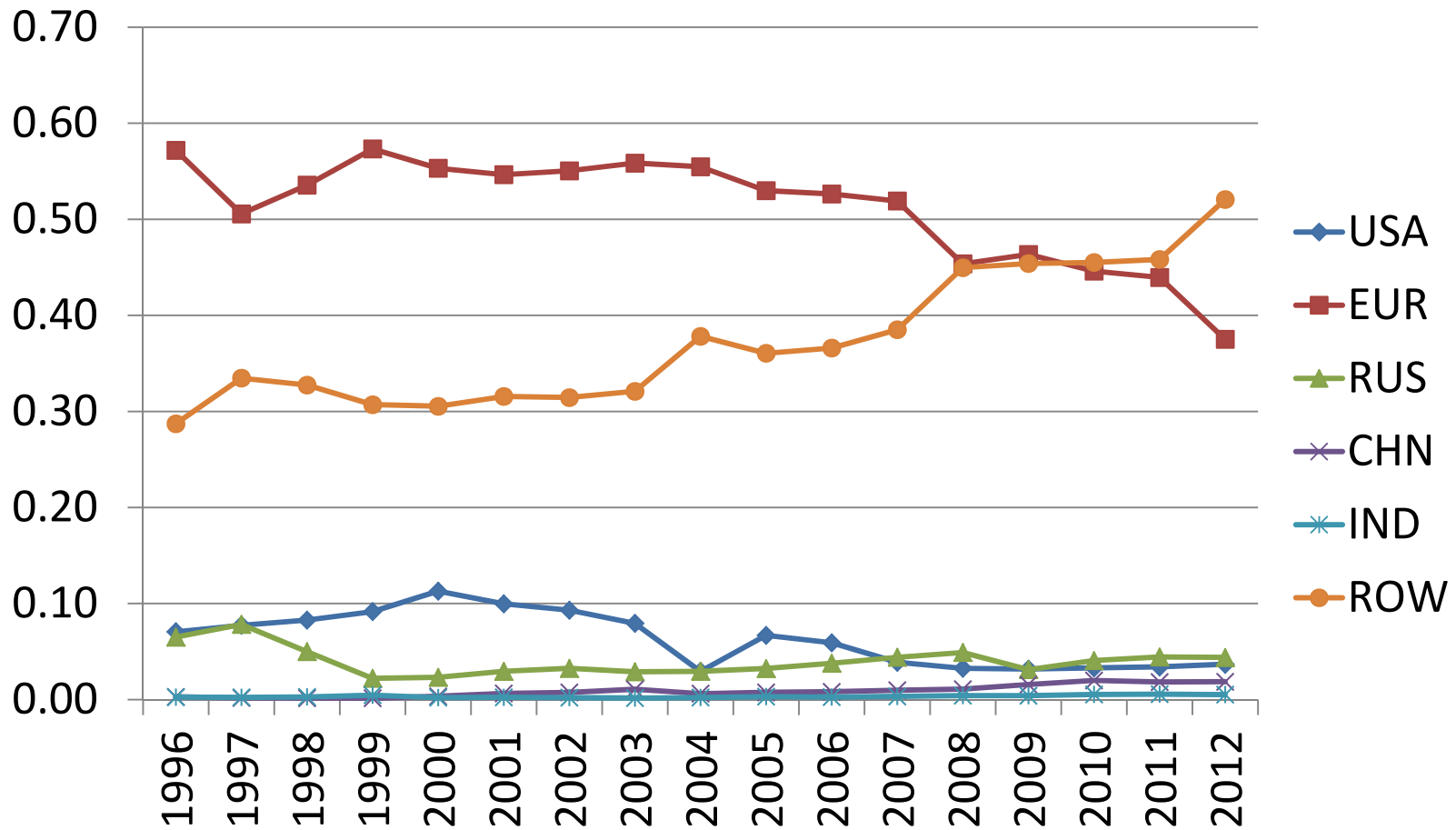
Benefits for Turkey of developing further trade links with

- MENA (Midde East and North Africa)
- Russia and CIS (Commonwealth of Indep't states)
- Turkic countries (Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan...)
- India, China?

- ***One obvious fact:***

***Share of Europe in Turkish overall trade flows has fallen since the 1996 Customs Union EU-Turkey***

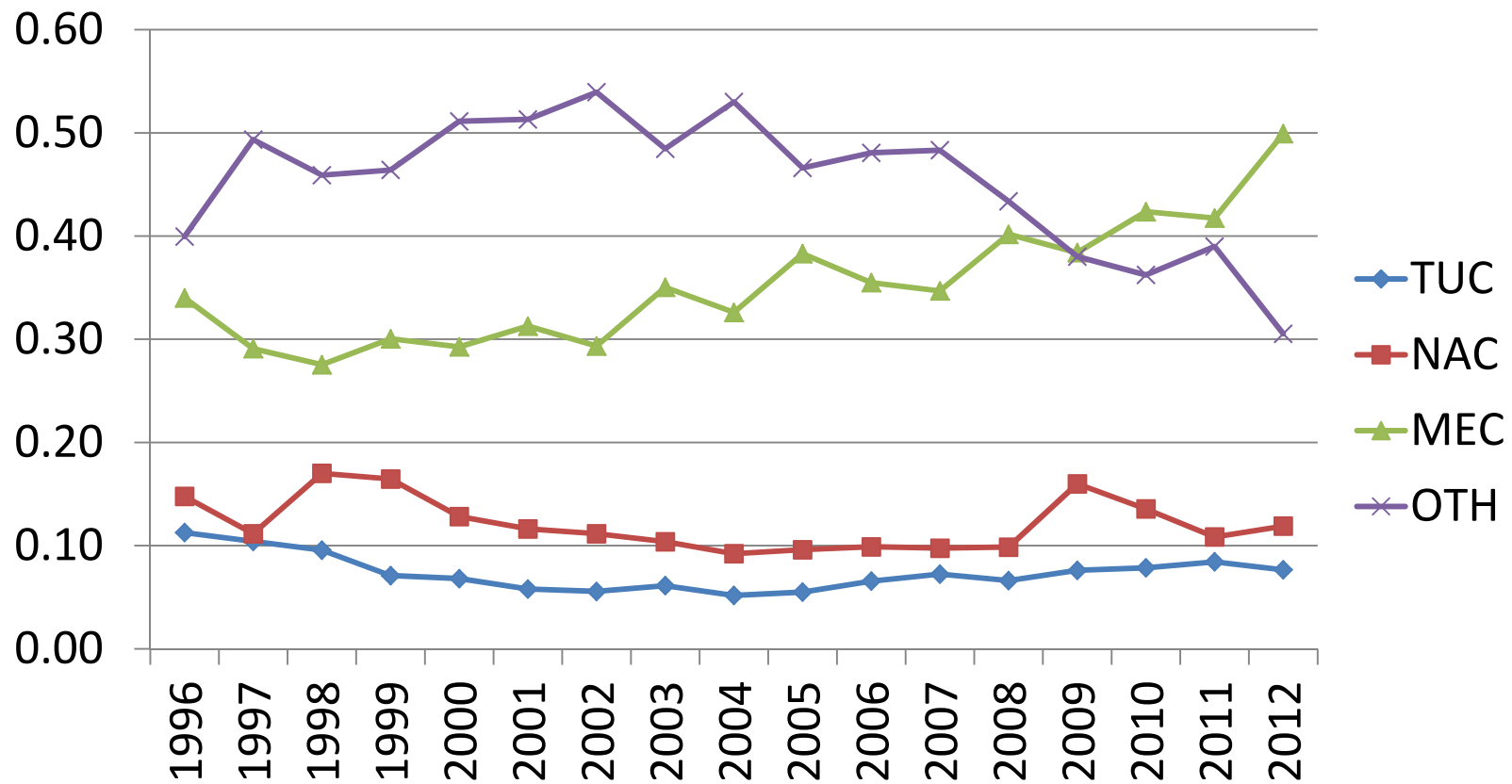
# Where does Turkey export?



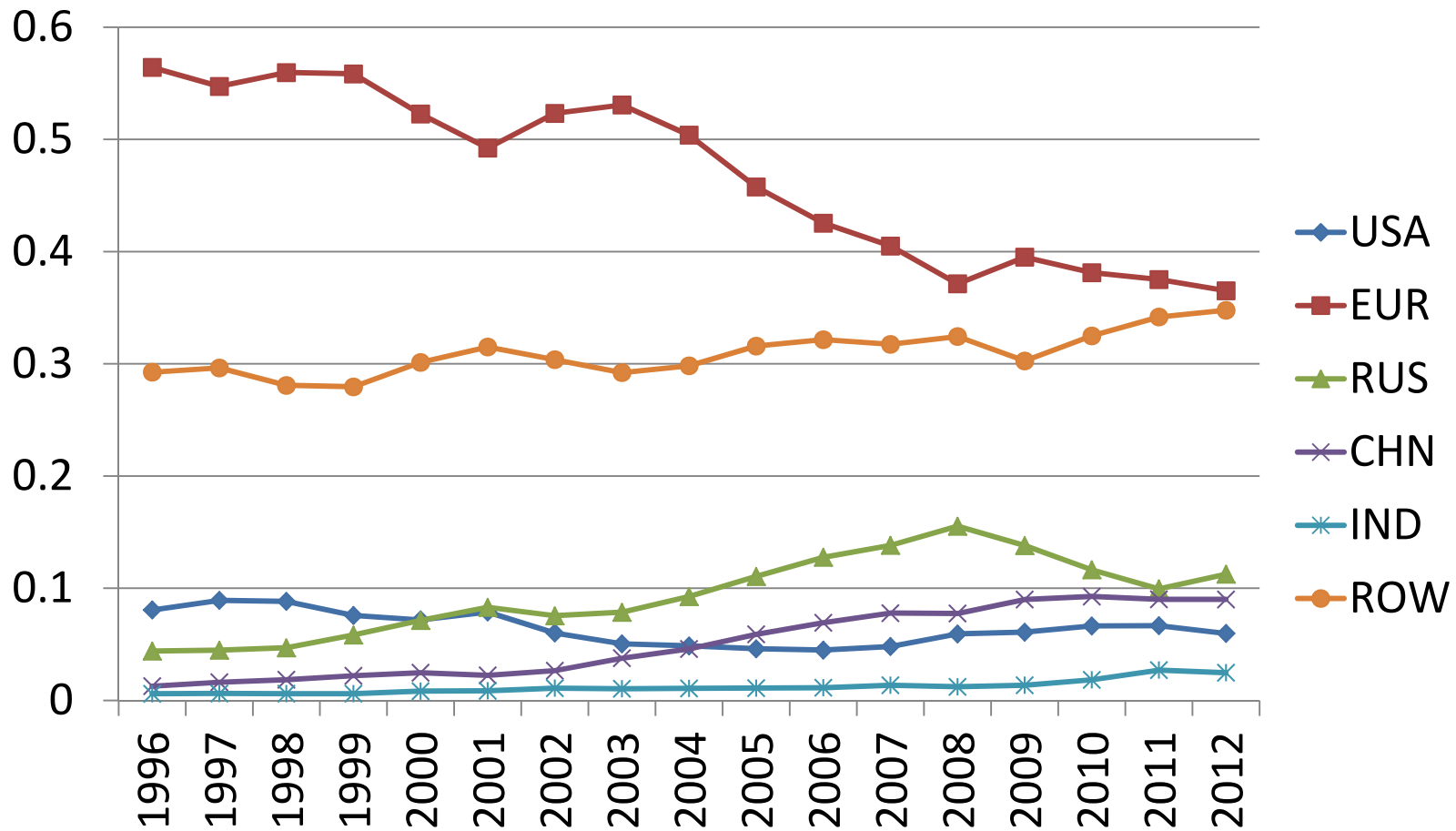


# Where does Turkey export?

Decomposing the ROW share of Turkish export



# From where does Turkey import?



# Trade Policy Debate in Turkey

- ***EU membership*** candidacy? — Disillusion
- ***Customs Union*** with EU? – Scrap it(?)
  - Falling trade shares with EU
  - Turkey lose the ability to negotiate FTAs with new partners (separately from EU)
  - “EU-USA” Transatlantic FTA negotiations:
    - Turkish tariffs on US goods must be eliminated
    - US tariffs on Turkish goods must be negotiated separately
- ***Look “East”*** (MENA, CIS, Turkic countries)

# Trade Policy Debate in Turkey

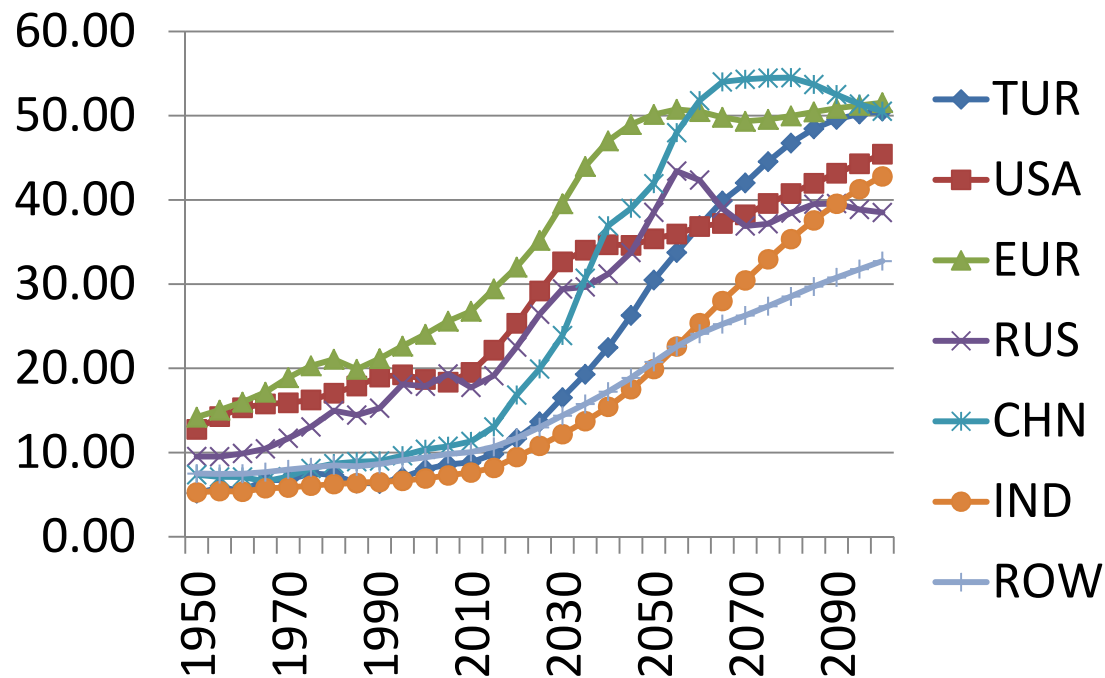
- ***Demographic trends*** emphasized:
  - In Turkey:
    - Working age population/total population*** is growing
  - EU is ageing, (this is the opposite)

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***Population ageing*** will be a ***defining feature*** of ***most countries*** during the 21<sup>st</sup> century

**Old-Age Dependency Ratio (%) [65+/(15 – 64)]**



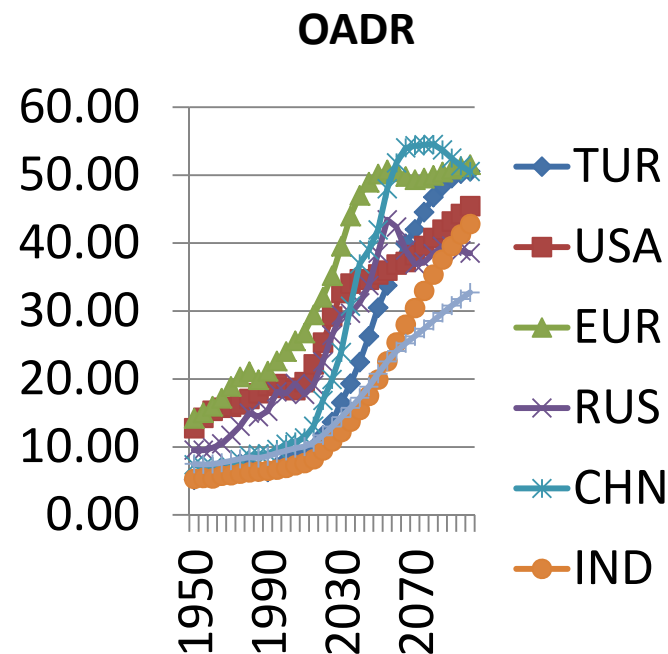
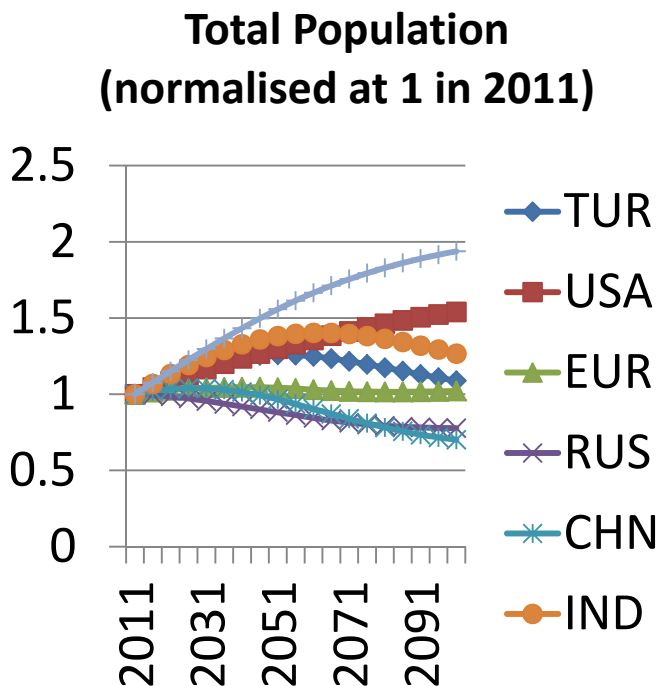
- ***Economic/fiscal impact of ageing?***
- ***Use of a Dynamic global OLG CGE model***
  - *Georges and Mérette (2010),*
  - *Mérette and Georges (2010)*
  - ***Dynamic***: demographic transition:1930 – 2100
    - Forward looking agents
  - ***Global***: Turkey, USA, EU, Russia, China, India, ROW
    - All 7 countries/regions are fully modeled
  - ***OLG***: 7 generations (age groups) alive at each point in time
    - 15-24 // 25-34 // 35-44 // 45-54 // 55-64 // 65-74 // 75-84
 

← 5 working-age generations →

← 2 retired generations →
    - ***One representative agent per age group*** who maximizes lifetime utility (7 representative households in each region)

# Calibration, Shock

- **Calibration (in part) to GTAP-8 trade data, OECD pension benefit rates**
- **For the Future: use of NTA data as well**
- **Shock: demographic projections of the UN (medium variant) (*exogenous* to the model)**





# Impact of Pop ageing on GDP/Capita



Less productive



Part time



Discrimination against older

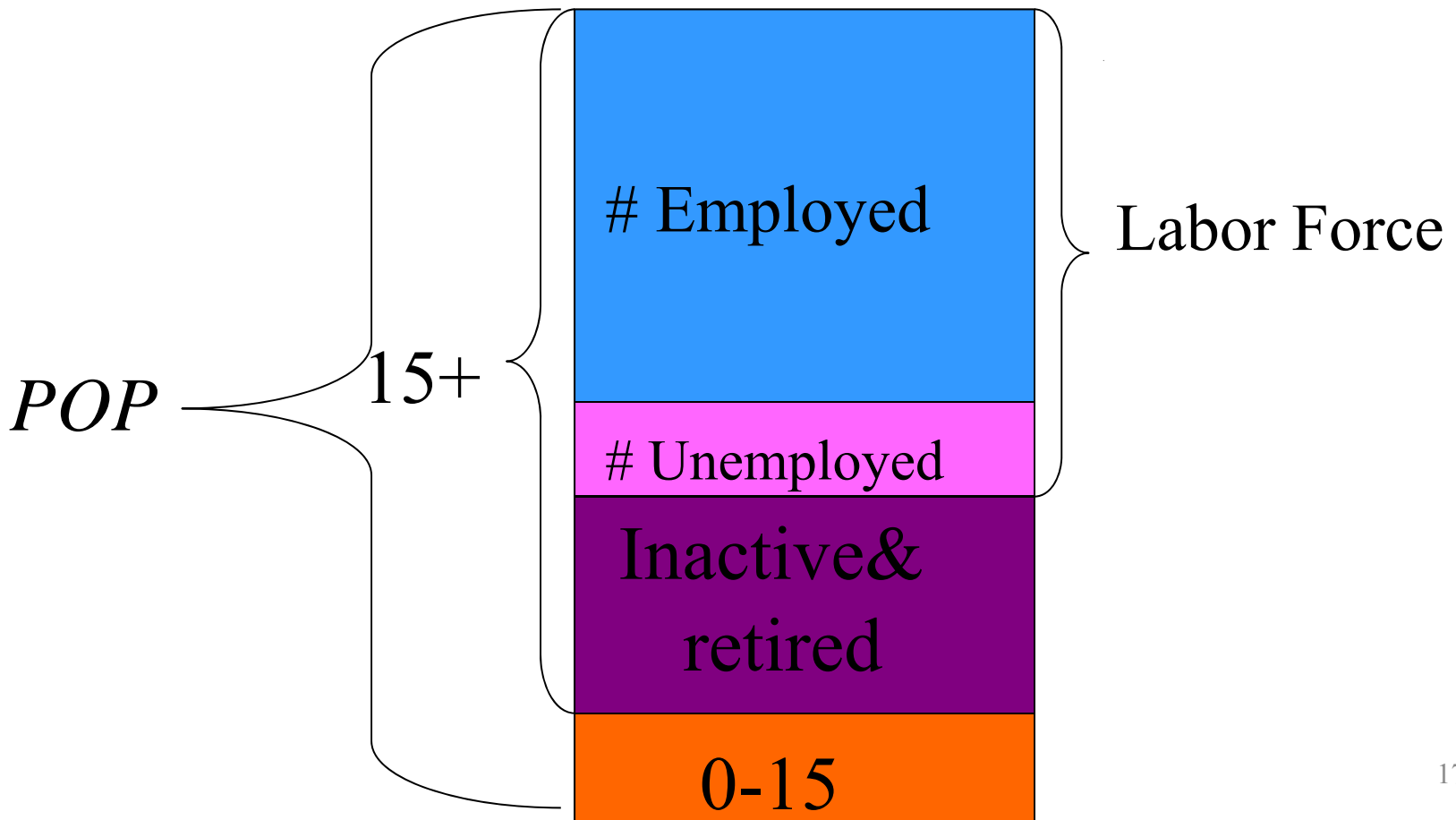


Retirement



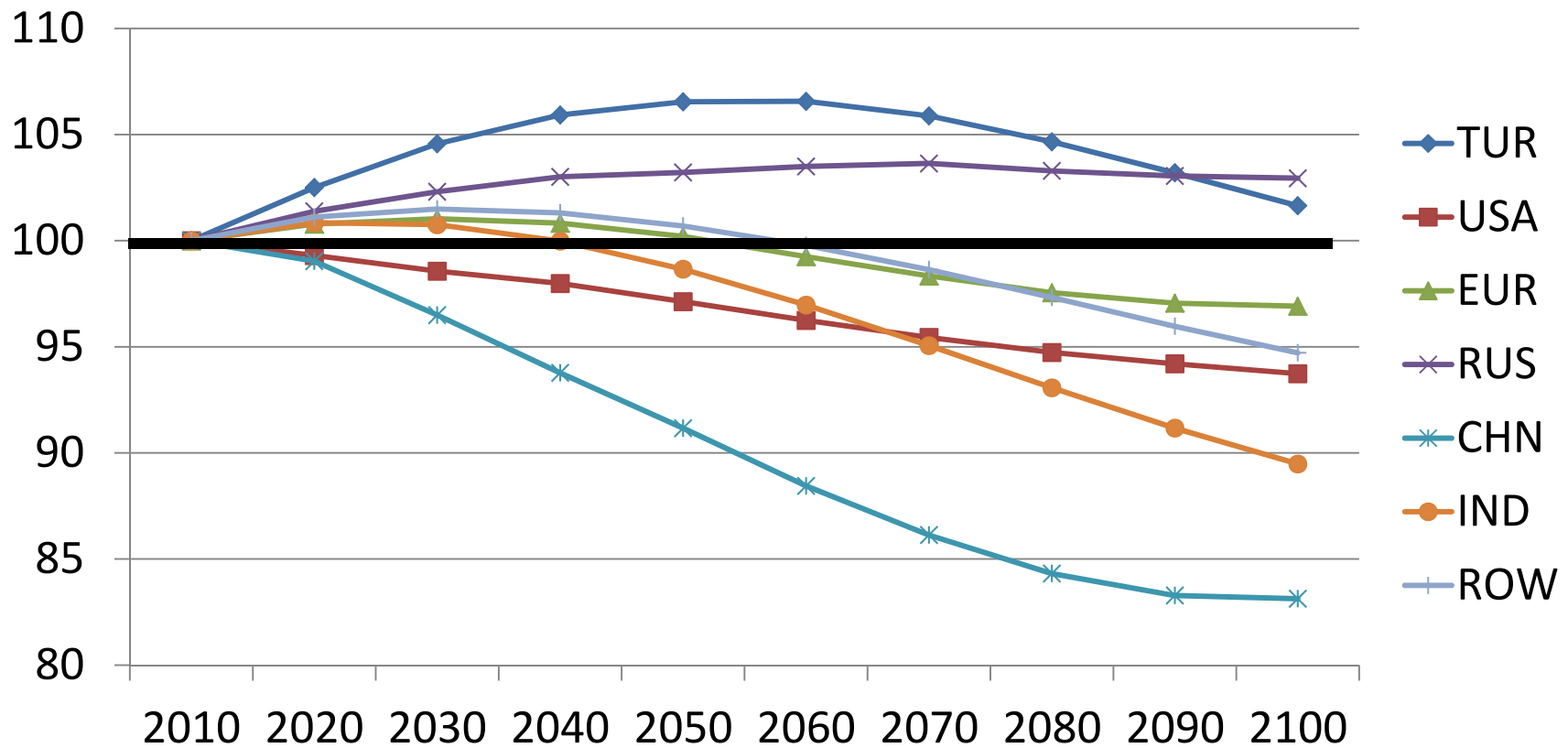
Less young (smaller Pop size)

$$\frac{GDP}{POP} = \underbrace{\frac{GDP}{Hours}}_{\text{Productivity}} \times \underbrace{\frac{Hours}{\# \text{ Employed}}}_{\text{Effort}} \times \underbrace{\frac{\# \text{ Employed}}{\text{Labor Force}}}_{\text{Employment Rate}} \times \underbrace{\frac{\text{Labor Force}}{15+}}_{\text{Labor Force Participation}} \times \underbrace{\frac{15+}{POP}}_{\text{Adult over Total Pop}}$$



# (PRELIMINARY!) Demographically-driven real GDP/POP

(abstracting from technical progress)



# Real Consumption per Capita

- **Real Consumption** is the difference between **real Production** (GDP) and **Saving**

$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \frac{P_Q}{\underbrace{P_{CON}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{Saving}{POP} \right\}$$

- **Increase in GDP/POP increases CON/POP**
- In a close economy with a single good,  $P_{con} = P_Q$
- In an open economy,  $P_{con} \neq P_Q$

# Real Consumption per Capita (Turkey)

$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \frac{P_Q}{\underbrace{P_{CON}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{Saving}{POP} \right\}$$

↑                      ? ↓                      ↑

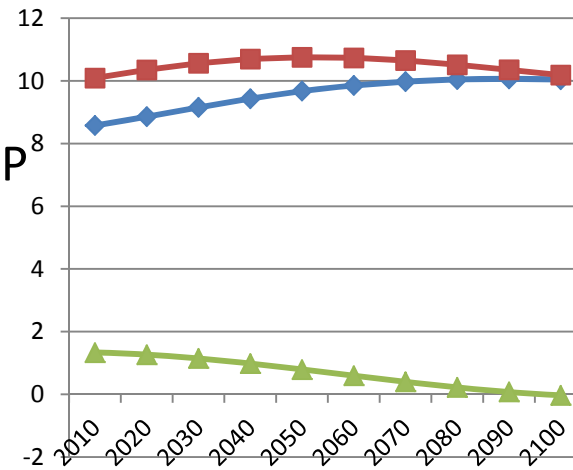
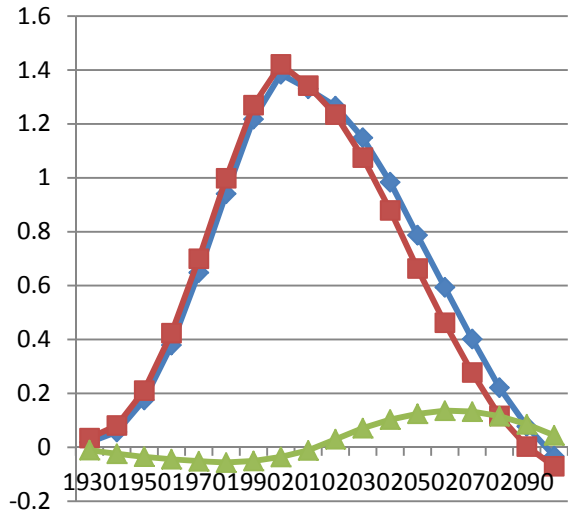
- If Europe *ages faster*, the *goods* produced by EU would become *relatively “rare”* in world markets.
- And the *price of EU goods* would *increase* relative to those produced in younger countries.
- When Turkey imports from EU,  $P_{CON} \uparrow$
- **Deterioration in the “Terms of trade” (TOT) for Turkey**

$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \frac{P_Q}{\underbrace{P_{CON}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{Saving}{POP} \right\}$$

- ***If the TOT effect is sufficiently strong: ageing North could lead to “Immiserizing growth” in the South***
- Bhagwati, 1958
- Acemoglu and Ventura (2002) (TFP shock)
- Here: Demographic variant:  
***cost of ageing North is diffused throughout the South through TOT adjustments***
- ***???Demographic Dividends in the South?***

• *But what will happen to savings?*

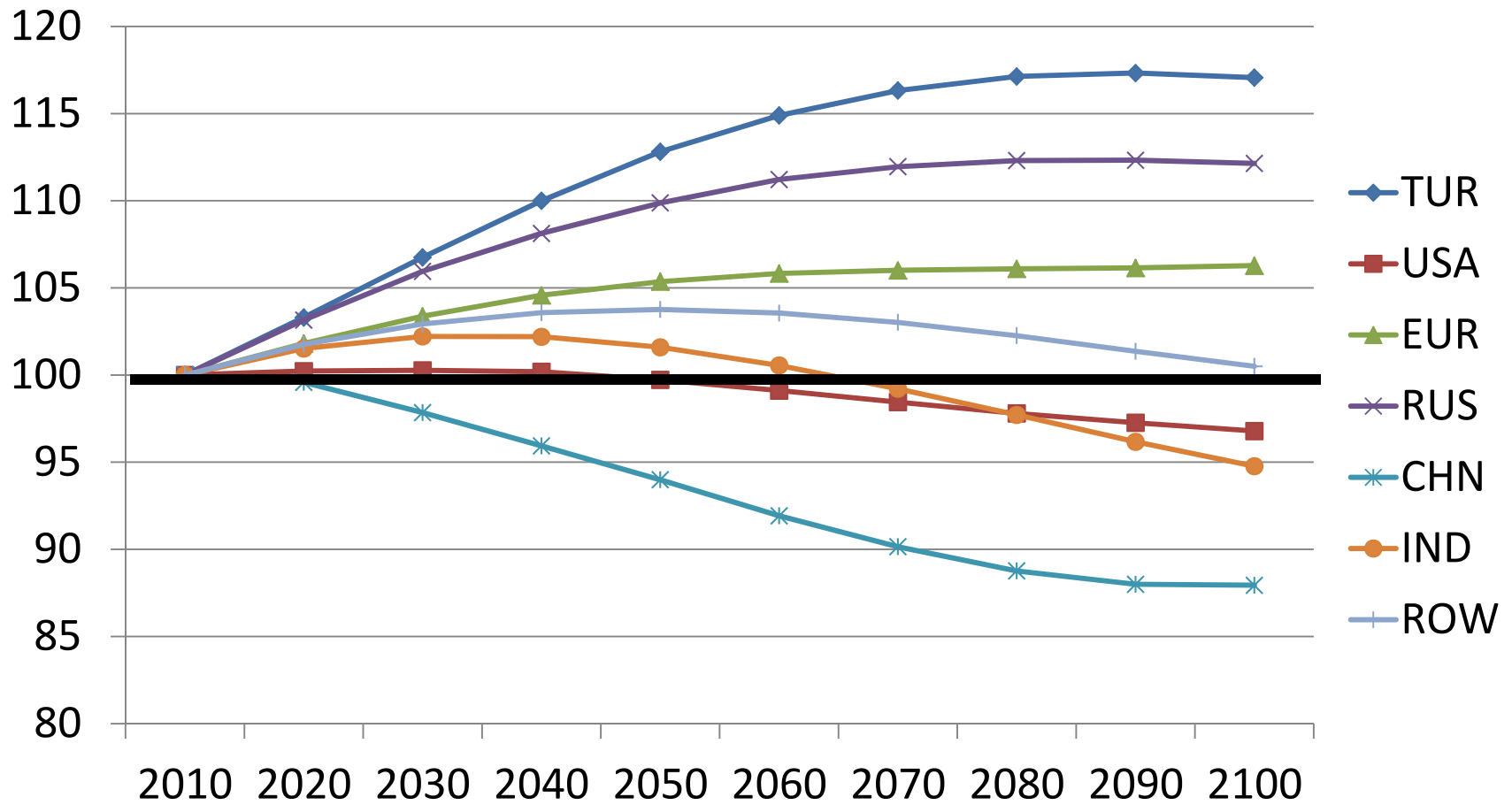
$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \underbrace{\frac{P_Q}{P_{CON}}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{Saving}{POP} \right\}$$



**After 2050**

$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \underbrace{\frac{P_Q}{P_{CON}}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{Saving}{POP} \right\}$$

# Demographically-driven CON/POP

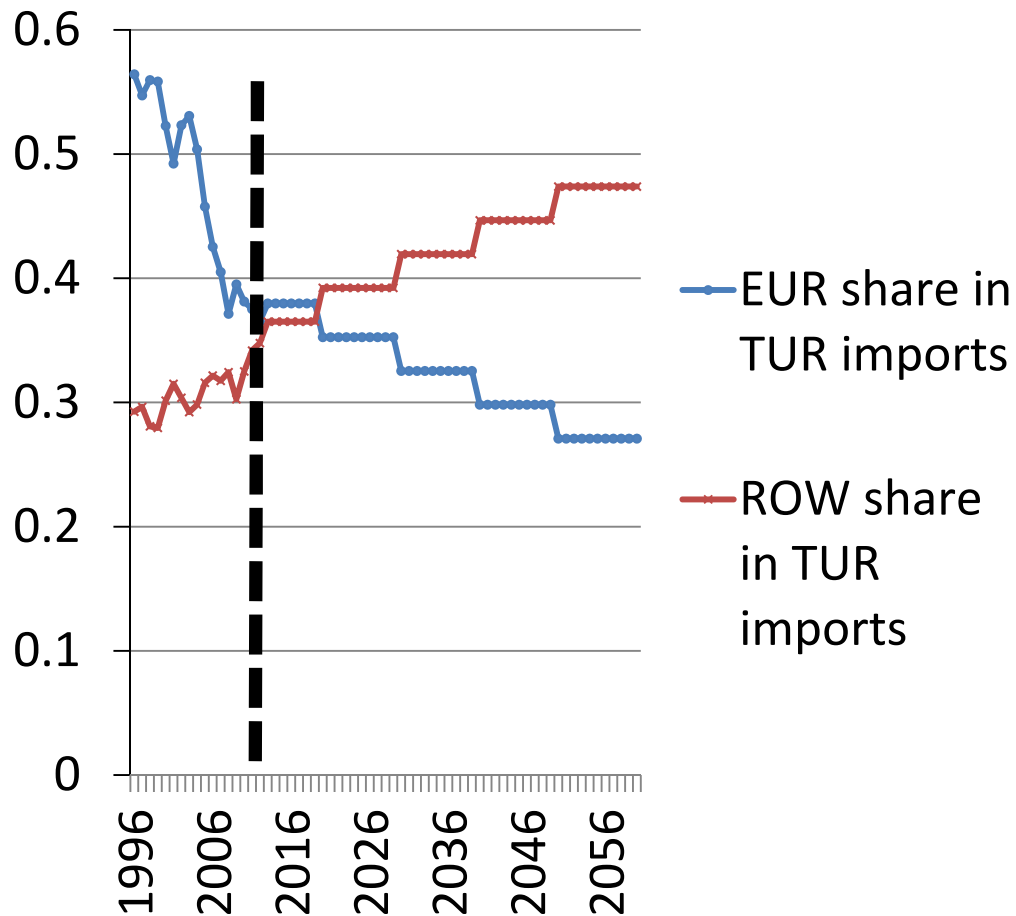


# Trade Diversification

- ***impact on Turkey's CON/POP if we diversify away from the EU in favor of specific trade partners (MENA/CIS)?***



# Trade diversification



Change in shares is

– *incremental*

(roughly 2.5% points every 10 year (2010-2050))

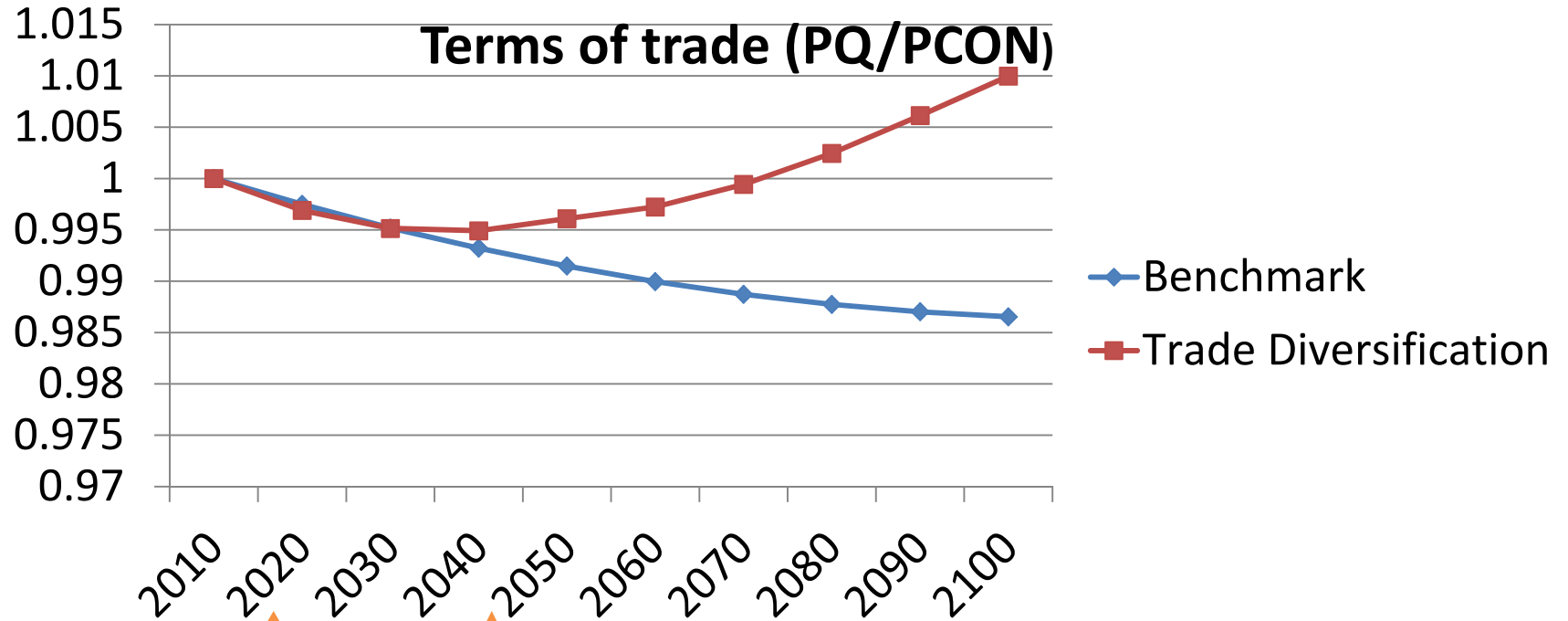
– *Permanent*

# Current and counterfactual country shares in Turkey's import

↓	Benchmark import shares	Diversification to ROW
USA	5.4	5.4
EU	40.7	27.1
RUS	11.4	11.4
CHN	7.4	7.4
IND	1.3	1.3
ROW	33.8	47.4
Total	100.0	100.0

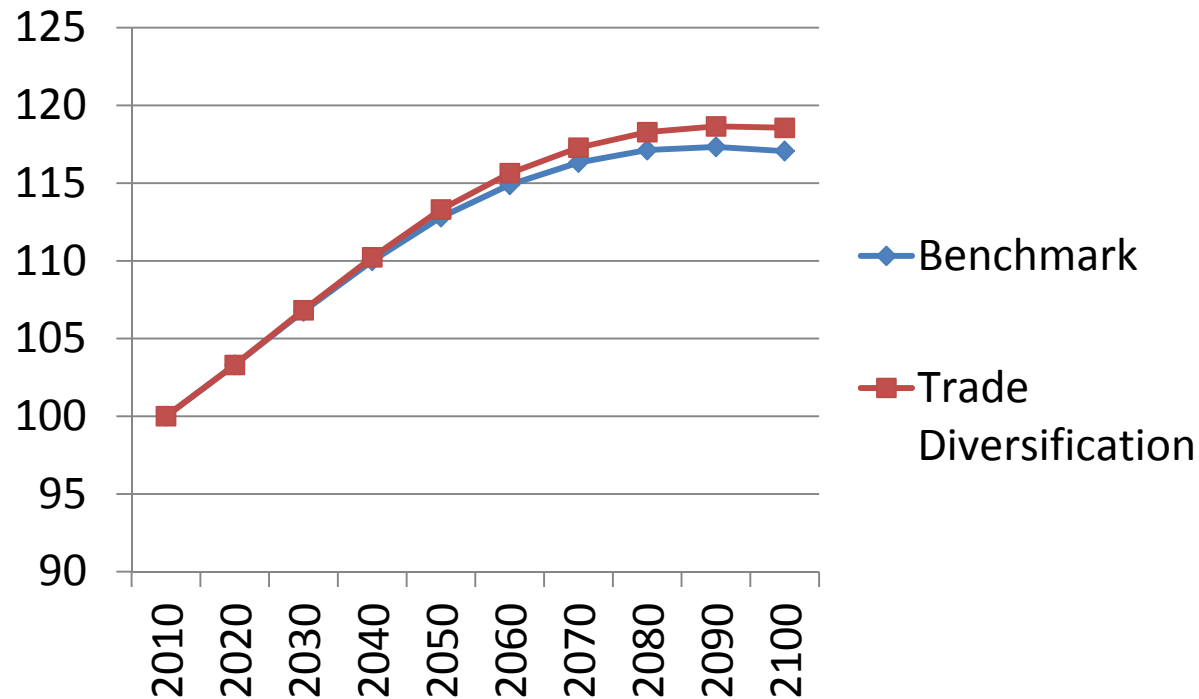
Source: GTAP 8 and Authors' computations

# Trade Diversification and Terms of Trade effect



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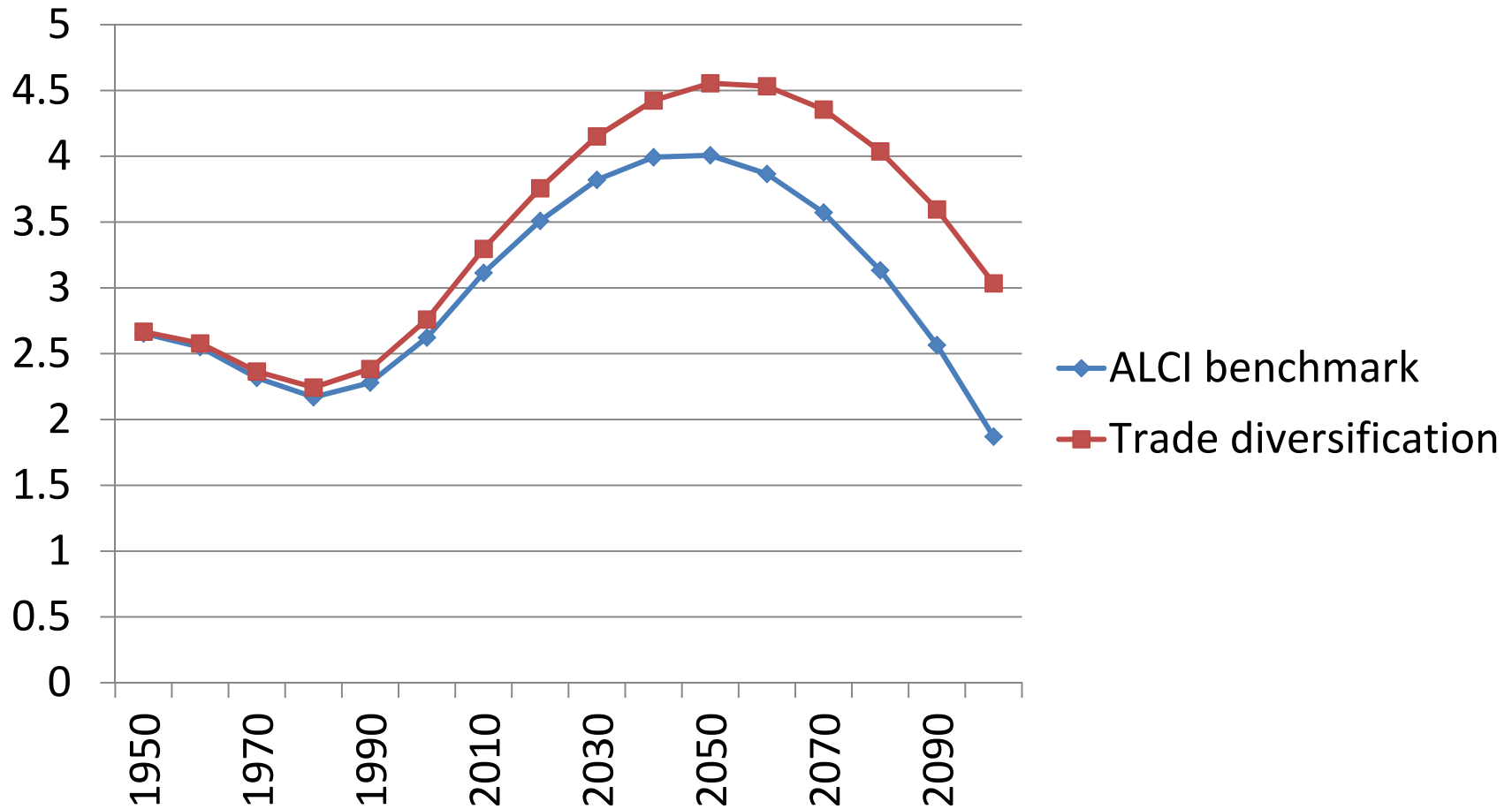
# Diversification scenario: CON/POP (Turkey)



**But, in an OLG model, ...different age groups  
So, who gains, who loses?**

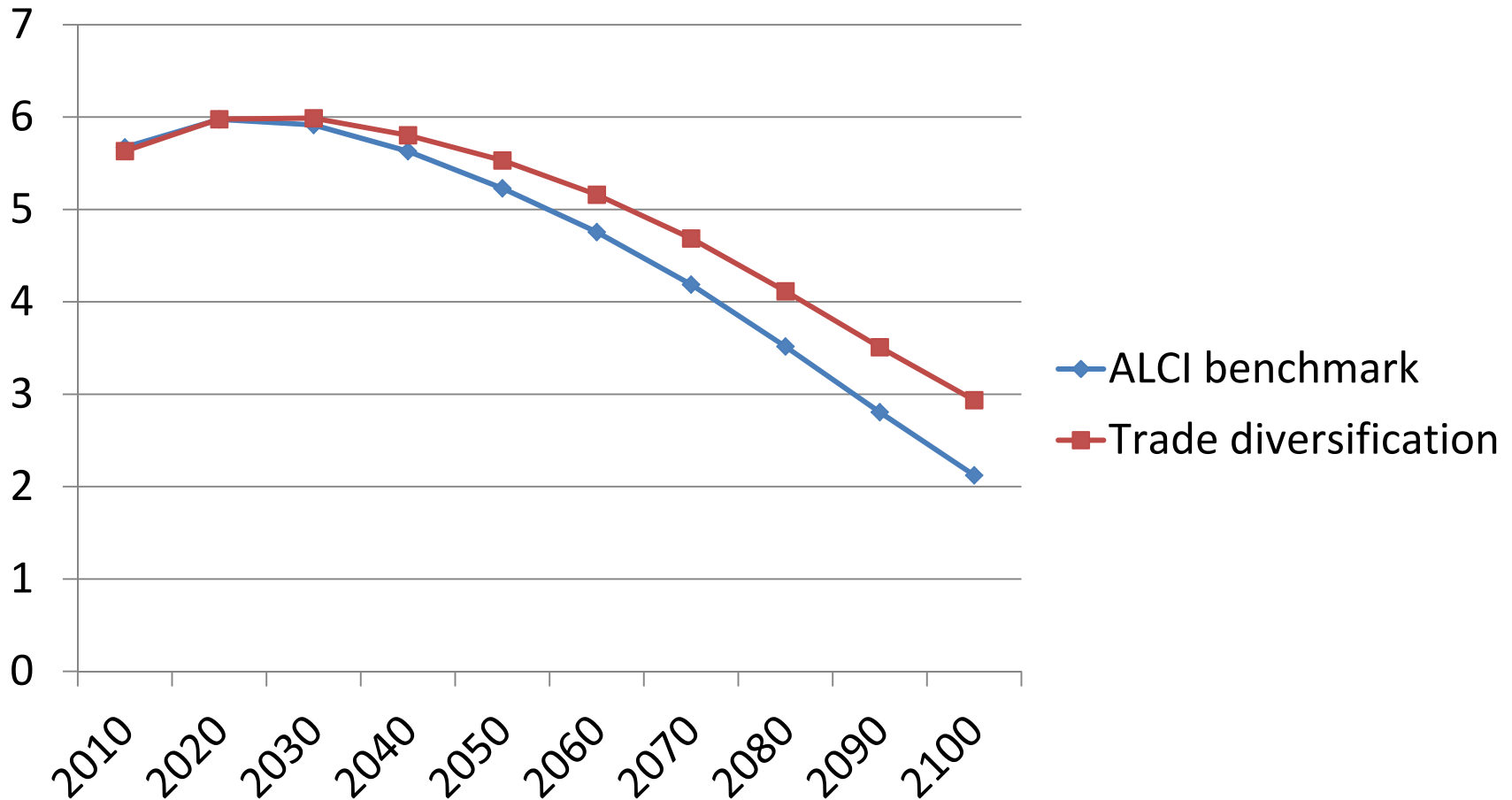
# Welfare of individual cohorts

PV of current and future consumption of cohorts  
(as of their first active working period)



# Social Welfare Function

Sum of welfare indices over cohorts alive during a specific period



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- **Objective of paper**
  - Scenarios of **trade diversification *in the perspective of an ageing world***
    - Georges and Mérette (2010);
    - Mérette and Georges (2010);
- **Results**
  - ***South-South trade diversification could be beneficial to Turkey***



# Caveats/Next Steps

1. ***only one good*** per country
  - Multisectoral analysis
2. Assumption of ***imperfect substitution*** (some market power)
  - Important feature of international trade theory
3. ***Exogenous change in trade shares***
  - What might cause ***endogenous changes in shares***
    - FTA with MENA/CIS?
    - Building networks and establishing trust
4. Multi-country calibration to NTA – NEXT

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## Laursen-Metzler debate:



- If TOT deterioration is *transitory*: (Laursen-Metzler effect)
  - Saving ↓ (CA ↓) and CON constant

$$\frac{\overline{CON}}{POP} = \underbrace{\frac{P_Q}{P_{CON}}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{\overline{Saving}}{POP} \right\}$$

- If TOT deterioration is *permanent*: (Obstfeld, 1982)
  - CON decreases. *Demographic shock* (long-lasting)

$$\frac{CON}{POP} = \underbrace{\frac{P_Q}{P_{CON}}}_{\text{Terms of Trade}} \times \left\{ \frac{GDP}{POP} - \frac{\overline{Saving}}{POP} \right\}$$

# Household inter-temporal problem

		Generations $g \in G$ ; $g_j \in GJ$ ; $g_m \in GM$						
		----- GJ -----					----- GM -----	
ORD (TTP)	TTP	g1 (GI)	g2	g3	g4	g5	g6	g7 (GN)
1	1870							
2	1880							
3	1890							
4	1900							
5	1910							
6	1920							
		Generations alive at time $t$						
7	1930(TI)	Pop <sub>t,g</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+1</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+2</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+3</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+4</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+5</sub>	Pop <sub>t,g+6</sub>
8	1940	Pop <sub>t+1,g</sub>	Pop <sub>t+1,g+1</sub>					
9	1950	Pop <sub>t+2,g</sub>		Pop <sub>t+2,g+2</sub>				
10	1960	Pop <sub>t+3,g</sub>			Pop <sub>t+3,g+3</sub>			
11	1970	Pop <sub>t+4,g</sub>				Pop <sub>t+4,g+4</sub>		
12	1980						Pop <sub>t+5,g+5</sub>	
13	1990							Pop <sub>t+6,g+6</sub>
14	2000							
15	2010							
...	...							
...	...							
35	2210							
36	2220							
= CARD (TTP)								

# Household inter-temporal problem

- Household chooses a *profile of consumption over its life-cycle* in order to maximize its *lifetime utility* under a *dynamic budget constraint*

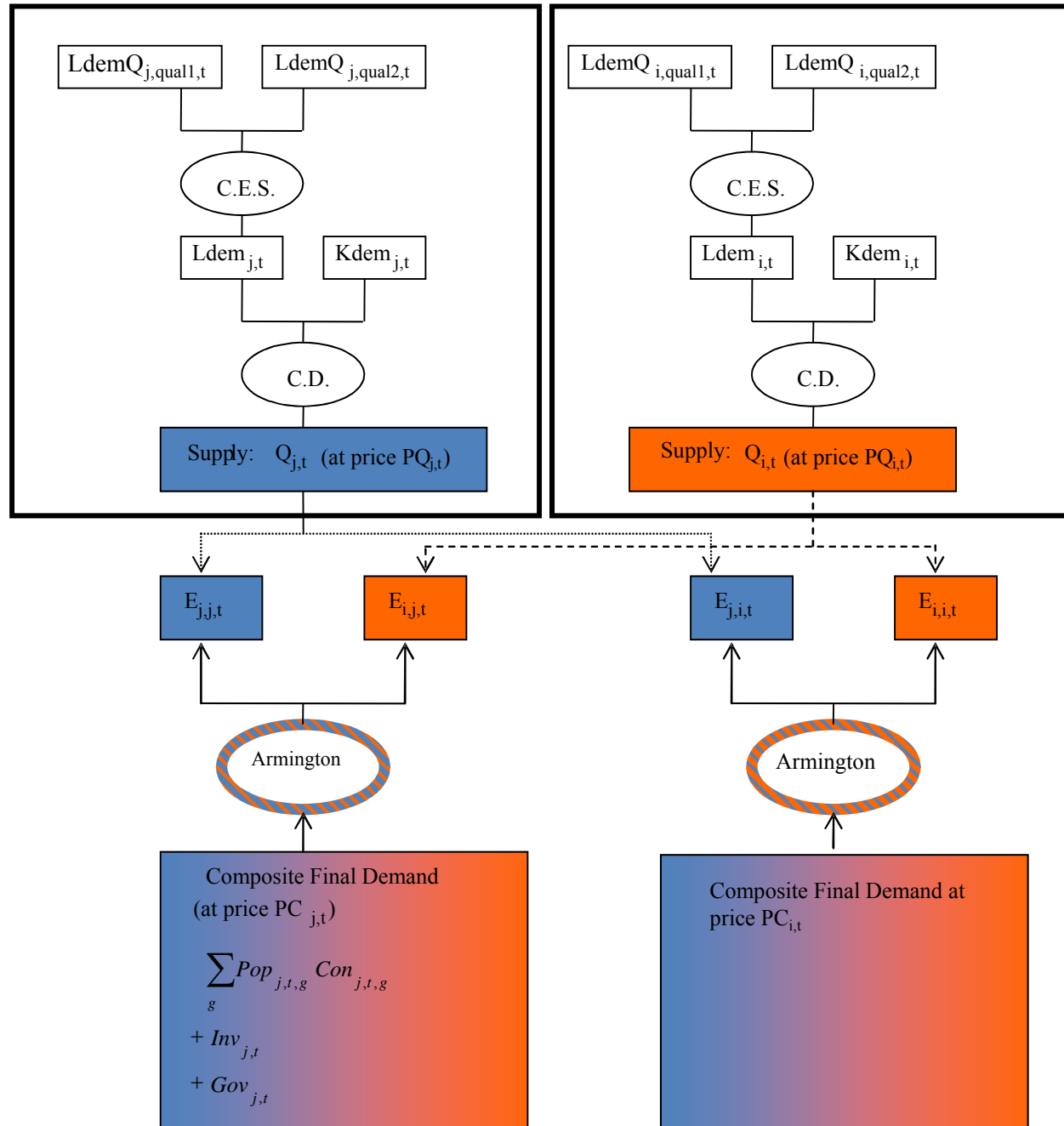
$$U_j = \frac{U(\text{Con}_{j,t,g})}{1+\psi_j} + \frac{U(\text{Con}_{j,t+1,g+1})}{(1+\psi_j)^2} + \frac{U(\text{Con}_{j,t+2,g+2})}{(1+\psi_j)^3} + \dots + \frac{U(\text{Con}_{j,t+6,g+6})}{(1+\psi_j)^7}$$
$$U_j = \sum_{k=0}^6 \frac{U(\text{Con}_{j,t+k,g+k})}{[1+\psi_j]^{k+1}}$$

$U_j$  is a weighted sum of *periodic* utility function  $U(.)$

$\psi_j =$  *subjective rate of time preference* (the higher  $\psi$  and the higher the *bias for present consumption*)

$k$  indexes the increment in the period and the generation

# Intratemporal problem of household and firms



# Pension System -- Pay as You Go

