



Constructing Global Physical Input-Output Tables for Iron & Steel

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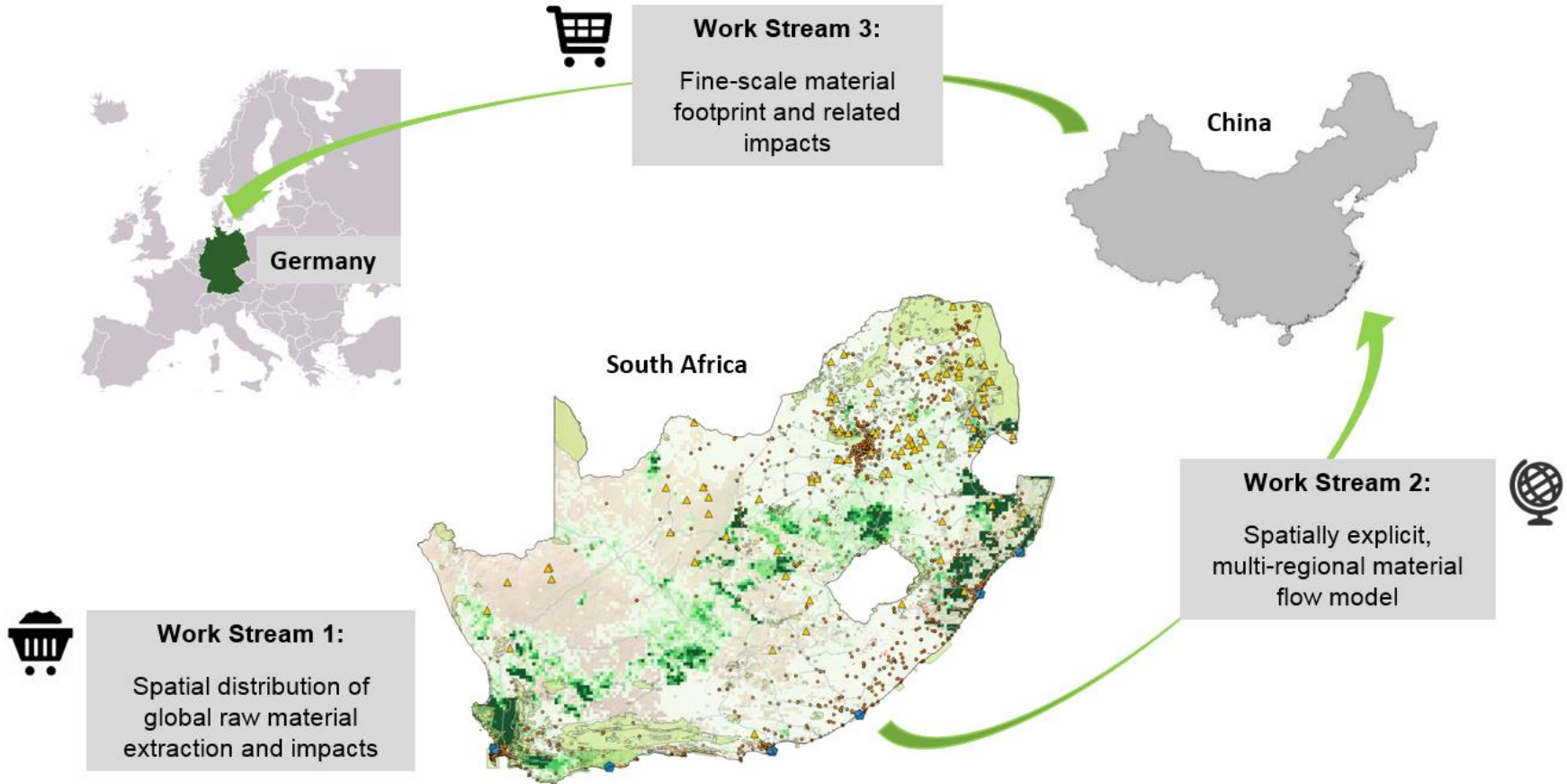
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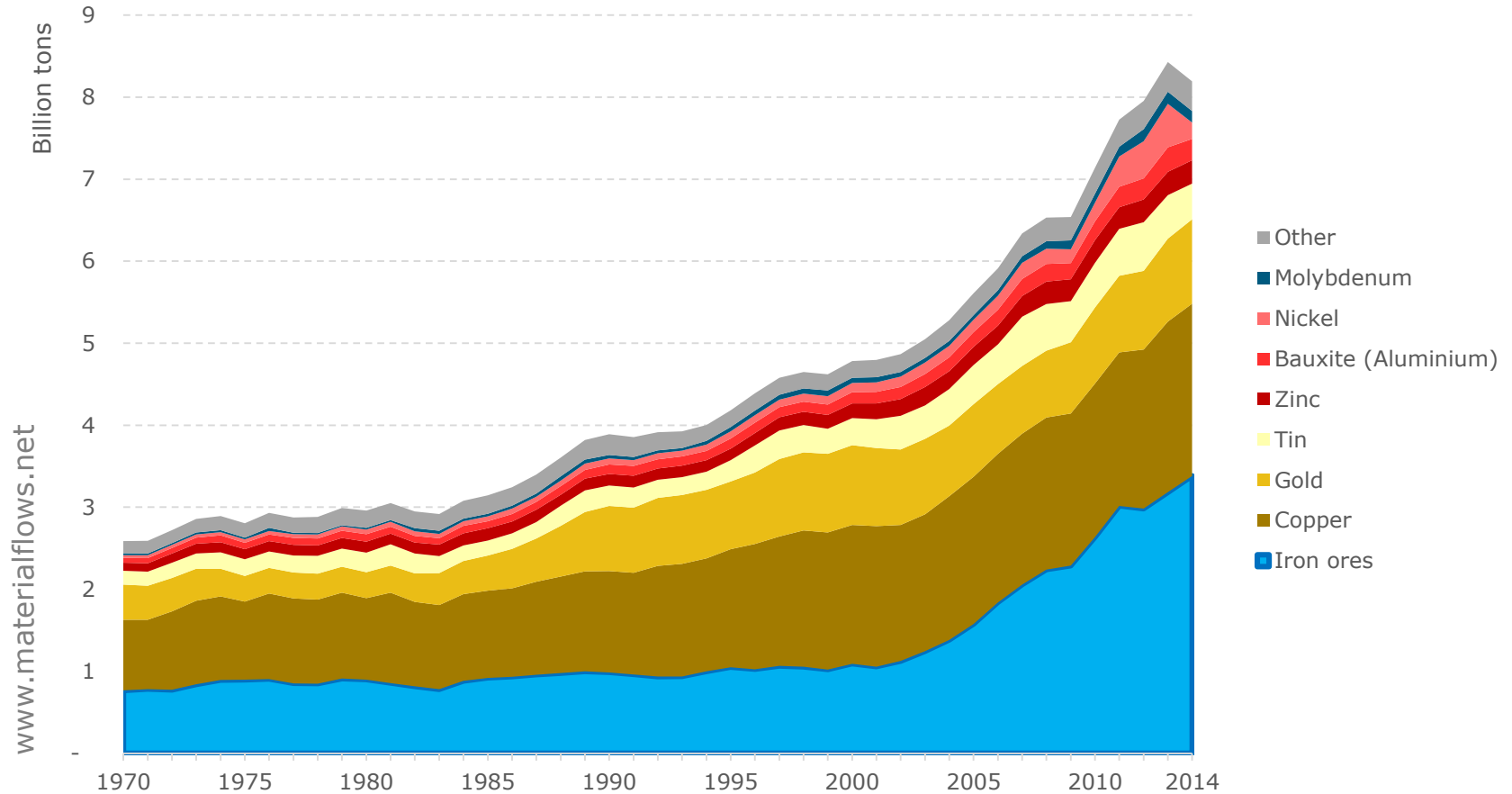
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Starting point: ERC-FINEPRINT



Global crude metal ore extraction

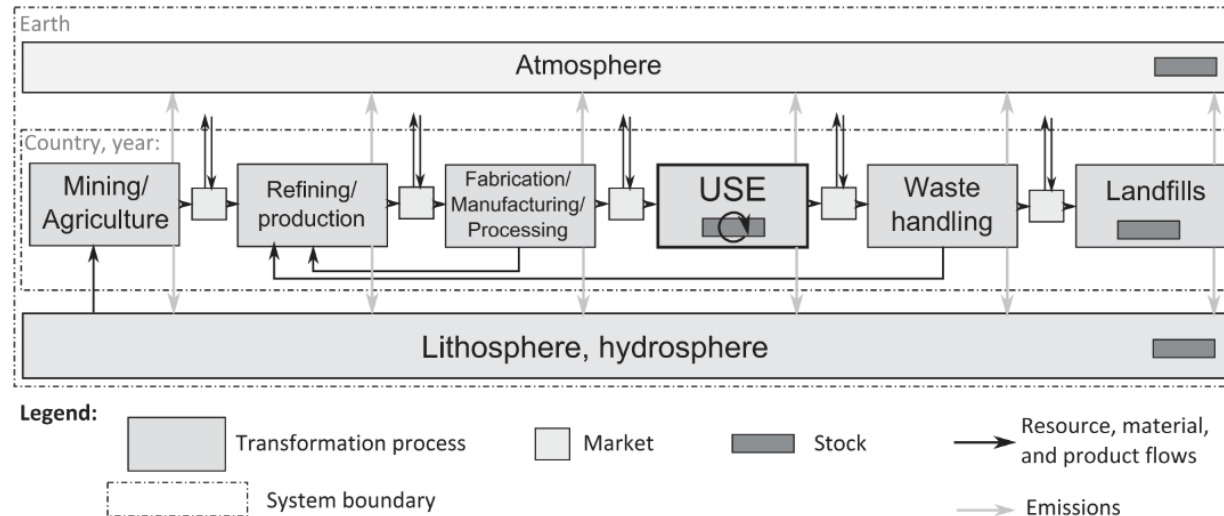


Socioeconomic metabolism (SM)

A graph visualization

- Comprises All biophysical **transformation/distribution processes/flows**, controlled by humans.
- Constitutes the self-reproduction/evolution of the **biophysical structures (BS) of human society** ('in use stocks').

SM & BS together form the **biophysical basis of society!**



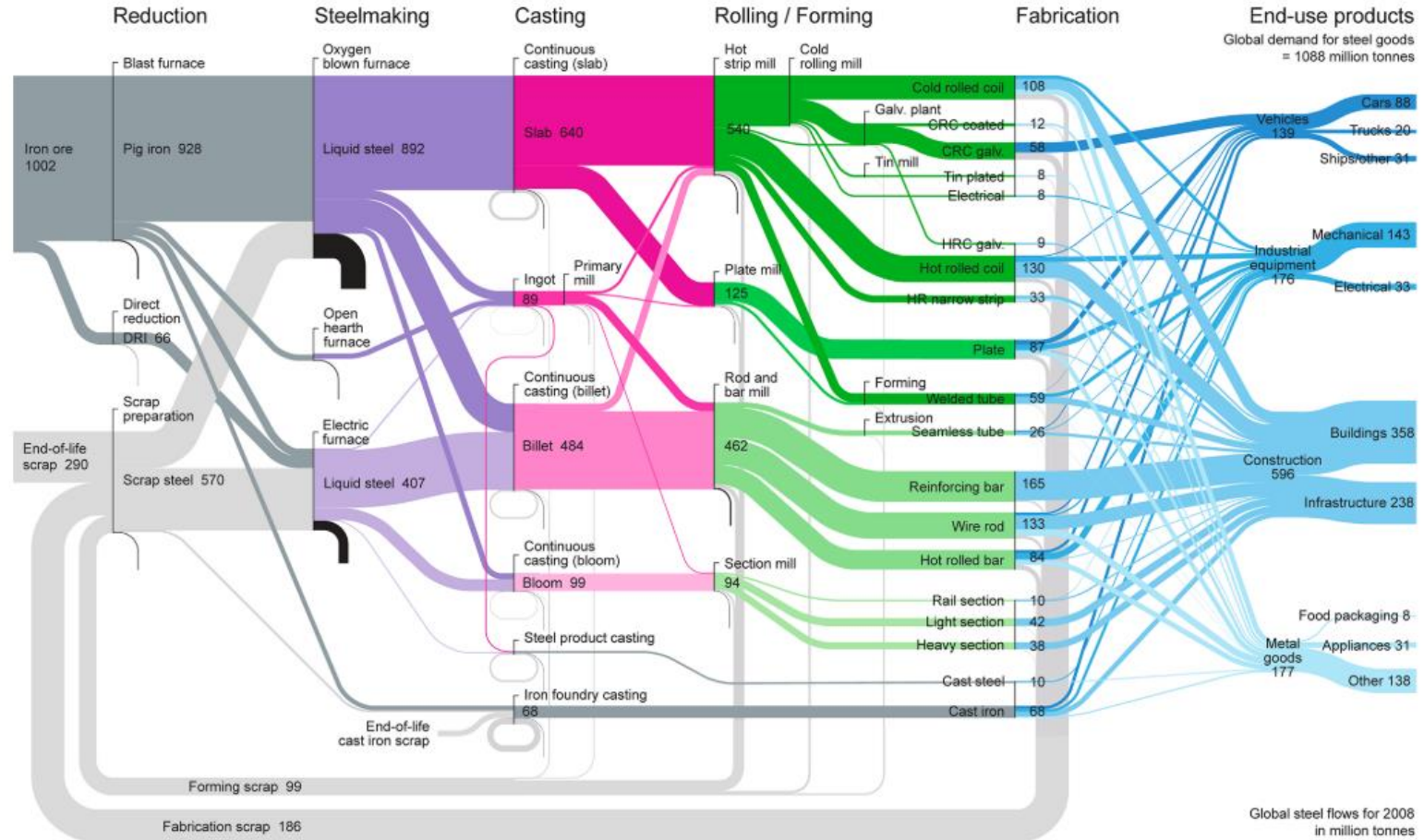
„Shortcomings“ of MIOTs for assessing physical supply chains



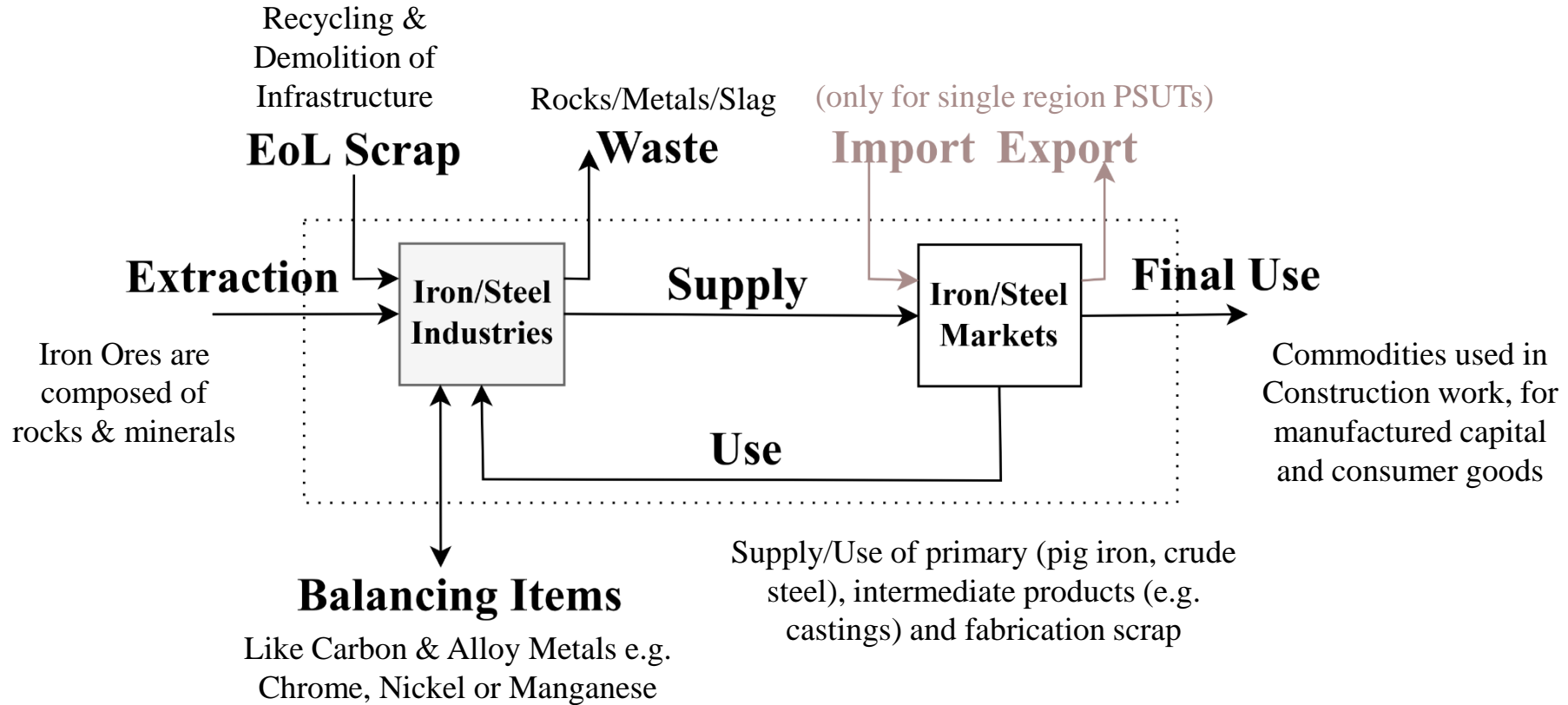
1. First processing steps are highly aggregated in monetary IOTs
2. Assume proportionality between physical and monetary flows
3. Low prices for bulk materials adds uncertainty
4. Assume that materials and money always (!) flow in opposing direction
5. MIOTs do not include non-market flows.
6. Treat capital formation as final demand: Endogenization?

Example study: (Cullen et al. 2012)

Material flow analysis (MFA) of steel



From Extraction to Fabrication using physical supply-use tables



→ Flow of Commodities System boundary

■ Transformation nodes

□ Distribution nodes

From manufacturing to final demand

Waste IO-MFA approach and MRIO

How to synthesize a „PIOT“ from a MIOT:

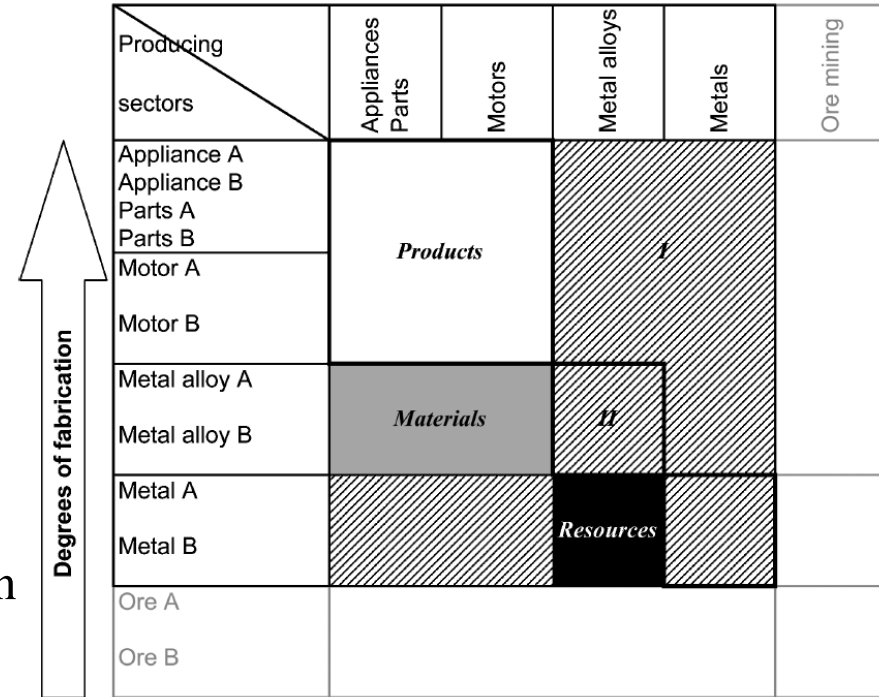
1. Filter matrix removes non-physical flows.

→ Apply power-series if necessary (L)

→ Calculate new gross production vector (x)

→ Allocate physical flows to final demand

2. Yield matrix is used to model **scrap flows** in manufacturing



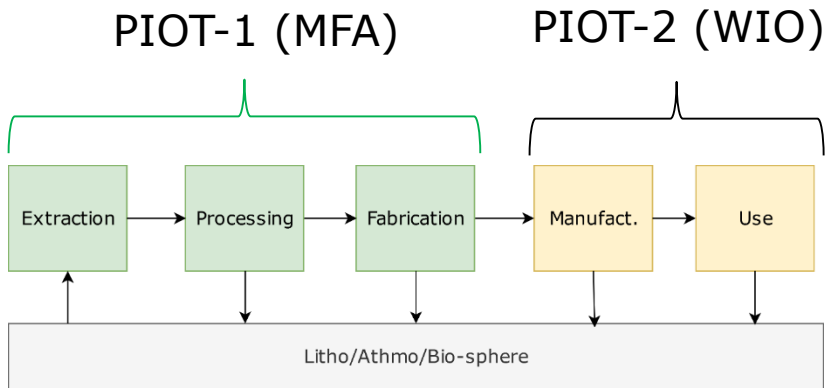
Producing sectors	Appliances Parts	Motors	Metal alloys	Metals	Ore mining
Appliance A	<i>Products</i>		<i>I</i>		
Appliance B					
Parts A					
Parts B					
Motor A					
Motor B					
Metal alloy A	<i>Materials</i>		<i>II</i>		
Metal alloy B					
Metal A			<i>Resources</i>		
Metal B					
Ore A					
Ore B					

(Nakamura 2007)

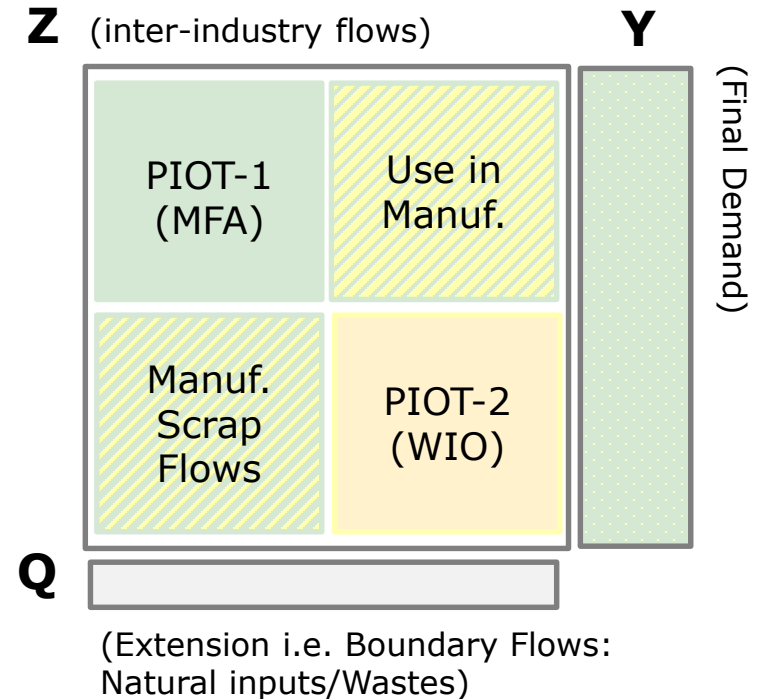
From extraction to final demand

Linking the two PIOTs

Graph View

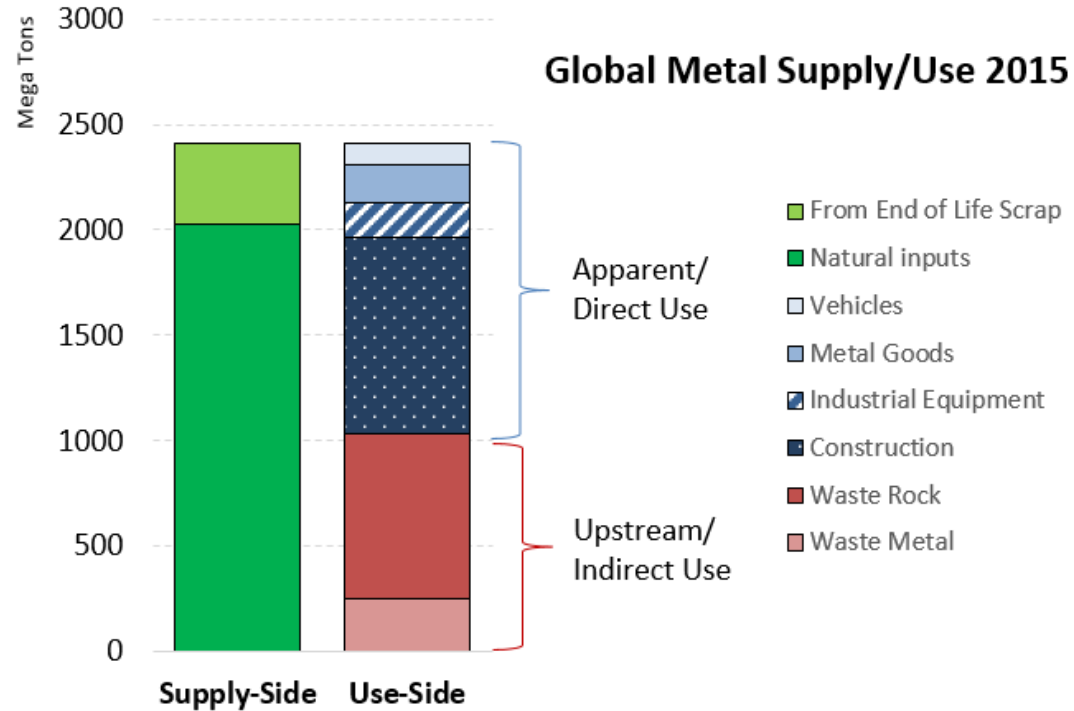


Tabular View



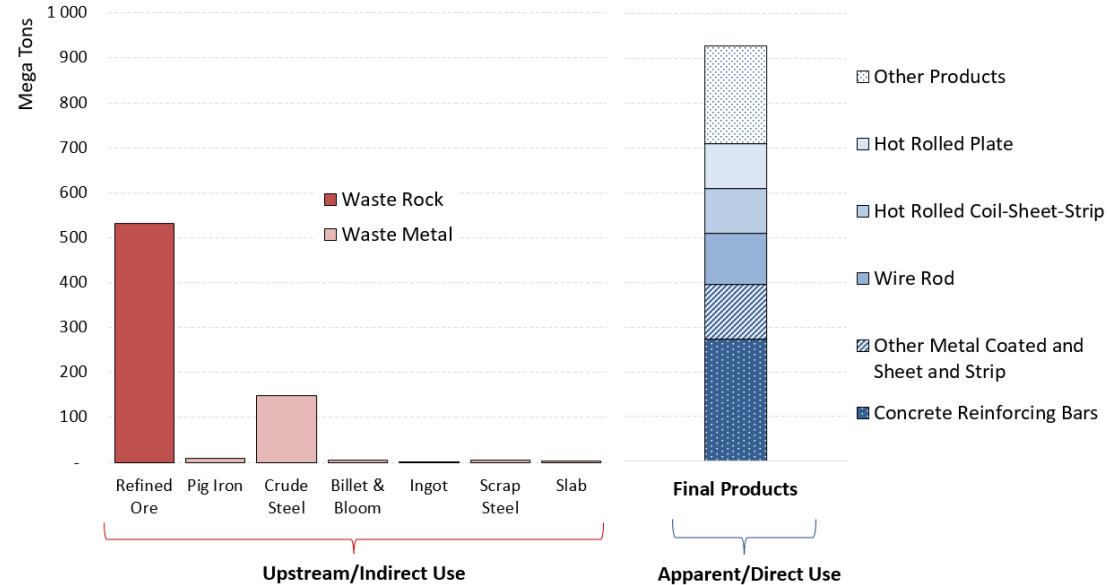
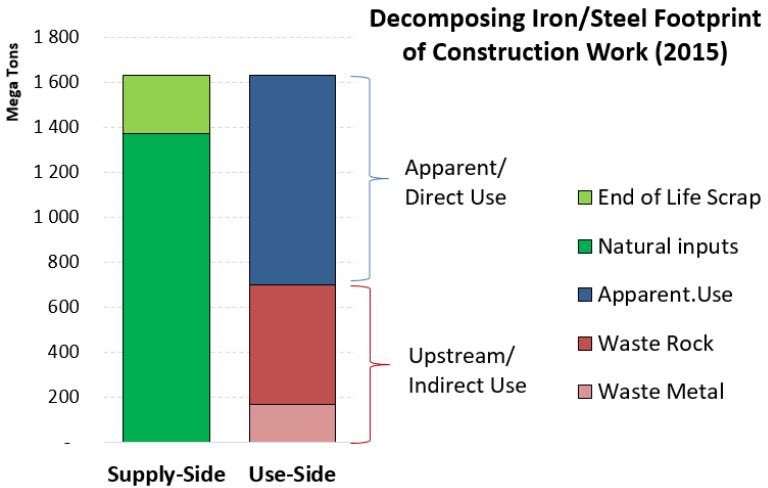
First Results of Global Pilot PIOT-1

From Extraction to Fabrication (Iron & Steel)



First Results of Global Pilot PIOT-1

Iron & Steel Footprint of Construction




- **Hybrid IOT to track economic use of manufactured capital!**
 - Endogenization of capital
 - Allocating means of production to non-metal industries
- **High detail metal PIOT for major metals** (iron, aluminum, copper,...)
- **„PIOT light“ for other metals** (for example rare earths or alloying metals)

„Dreams of the future“:
Integrated global physical IO tables covering flows of...

Biomass (FABIO)
Metals (FINEPRINT)
Energy (MF-GLOBE)



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