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Abstract

Trade barriers due to transport costs are as large as those due to tariffs. This paper explicitly incorporates the transport sector into the framework of international oligopoly and studies the effects of trade and industrial policies. Transport firms need to commit to a shipping capacity sufficient for a round trip, with a possible imbalance of shipping volumes in two directions. Because of this “backhaul problem”, trade restrictions may backfire: domestic import restrictions may also decrease domestic exports, possibly harming domestic firms and benefiting foreign firms. In addition, trade policy in one sector may affect other independent sectors.

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1 Introduction

The recent literature on international trade documents the important role of transport costs in terms of both magnitude and economic significance (Estevadeordal et al., 2003; Anderson and van Wincoop, 2004; Hummels, 2007). According to Hummels (2007), studies examining customs data consistently find that transport costs pose a barrier to trade at least as large as, and frequently larger than, tariffs. Hummels (2007) also argues that, “[as] tariffs become a less important barrier to trade, the contribution of transportation to total trade costs—shipping plus tariffs—is rising.” Despite such clear presence in international trade, few attempts have been made to incorporate endogenous transport costs, along with underlying transport sectors, into trade theory in an explicit manner.

Although trade theory has incorporated transport costs for a long time, its treatment of these costs tends to be ad hoc. The standard way to incorporate transport costs is to apply the iceberg specification (Samuelson, 1952): the cost of transporting a good is a fraction of the good, where the fraction is given exogenously. Thus this specification implicitly assumes that transport costs are exogenous and symmetric across countries. However, several trade facts indicate that such assumptions are not ideal when studying the impacts of transport costs on international trade. In particular, market power in the transport sector and the asymmetry of trade costs are key characteristics of international transport, as detailed below.

Among the various modes of transport, maritime (sea) transport is the most dominant. Liner shipping, which accounts for about two-thirds of U.S. waterborne foreign trade by value (Fink et al., 2002), is oligopolistic. The top five firms account for more than 45% of the global liner fleet capacity. Liner shipping firms form “conferences,” where they agree on the freight rates to be charged on any given route. An empirical investigation by Hummels et al. (2009) find that ocean cargo carriers charge higher prices when transporting goods with higher product prices, lower import demand elasticities, and higher tariffs, and when facing fewer competitors on a trade route—all indicating market power in the shipping industry.

Air cargo, whose share in the value of global trade has been increasing, is also oligopolistic
with two major alliances (SkyTeam Cargo and WOW Alliance) exerting market power in the air shipping markets (Weiher et al., 2002). The prediction of standard trade theory without a transport sector, with exogenously fixed transport costs, may be altered once we consider the markets for transportation explicitly by taking into account the market power of transport firms in influencing shipping costs.\(^6\)

Trade costs exhibit asymmetry in several dimensions. First, developing countries pay substantially higher transport costs than developed nations (Hummels et al., 2009). Second, depending on the direction of shipments, freight charges differ on the same route. For example, the market average freight rates for shipping from Asia to the United States was about 1.5 times the rates for shipping from the United States to Asia in 2009 (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2010).\(^7\) This fact is also at odds with the assumption of iceberg transport costs in the standard trade theory.

Such asymmetry of transport costs may have substantial economic consequences. For example, Waugh’s (2010) empirical analysis suggests that “[t]he systematic asymmetry in trade costs is so punitive that removing it takes the economy from basically autarky to over 50 percent of the way relative to frictionless trade” (p.2095). Asymmetric transport costs are associated with the “backhaul problem,” a widely known issue regarding transportation: shipping is constrained by the capacity (e.g., the number of ships) of each transport firm, and hence firms need to commit to the maximum capacity required for a round-trip. This implies an opportunity cost associated with a trip (the backhaul trip) with cargo that is under-capacity.\(^8\) This paper studies how trade policies perform given endogenous, and possibly asymmetric, transport costs in the presence of the backhaul problems.

Attempts to incorporate transportation in general equilibrium trade models show the challenges associated with defining simultaneous market clearing for the goods to be traded and the transport services to be required (Kemp, 1964; Wegge, 1993; Woodland, 1968). They assume a competitive transport sector without explicit attentions to shipping capacity constraints. Several recent studies have developed trade models that incorporate an explicit transport sector in a tractable manner. Behrens and Picard (2011) apply a new economic geography model with monopolistic competition in the output sector in order to study how the spatial distribution of economic activities is altered when the freight rates for shipping goods across two regions are determined endogenously, subject to backhaul problems. They

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\(^6\)Deardorff (2014) demonstrates that, even without an explicit transport sector, considering transport costs may alter the pattern of trade.

\(^7\)Takahashi (2011) and Behrens and Picard (2011) provide several examples where freight costs exhibit asymmetry.

\(^8\)Dejax and Crainic (1987) provide an early survey of the research on backhaul problems in transportation studies.
find that concentration of production in one region raises the freight rates for shipping from that region to the other. Therefore, consideration of the backhaul transport problem tends to weaken the specialization and agglomeration of firms: the more unequal are the exports of two countries are, the greater the idle capacity in transport, which tends to limit agglomeration.

A few other studies also address the implication of endogenous transport costs on economic geography (i.e., on agglomeration and dispersion forces). Behrens et al. (2009) apply a linear new economic geography model with monopolistic competition in the output sector and imperfectly competitive shipping firms, while Takahashi (2011) applies a Dixit-Stiglitz-Krugman model with income effects (with the transport firms conducting Bertrand competition). Both these studies find that imbalance of transport costs between two regions tends to induce dispersion of economic activities across regions. The pattern of geographical sorting of heterogeneous firms might differ if transportation exhibits scale economies (Forslid and Okubo, 2015). In the framework of international duopoly, Abe et al. (2014) focus on pollution from the international transport sector. They find that the optimal pollution regulation and the optimal tariff depend on the distance of transportation as well as the number of transport firms. Takauchi (2015) examines the relationship between freight rates and R&D efficiency in the presence of a monopolistic carrier in an international duopoly model.

Existing studies have not investigated the impacts of trade policies in the presence of a transport sector with backhaul problems (or with its capacity constraint). Our point of departure is an investigation of how the effects of trade policies change once the transport sector and its decision making are explicitly considered. Specifically, we address the following questions: how does a trade policy influence the volume of trade, the prices of traded goods, and economies and how do such effects depend on the nature of the transport sector? In the presence of the transport sector, how does a trade policy affect domestic and foreign oligopolistic firms?

To investigate these questions, we explicitly incorporate the transport sector into a standard framework of international oligopoly. In the basic model, we assume a monopolistic transport firm to capture market power in a simple manner. We investigate the effects of various trade policies on trade and the performance of trade-exposed firms. We do so by taking into account how each policy influences the volume of trade and the freight rates

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9As Demirel et al. (2010) argue, most studies that consider the backhaul problem assume that the transportation sector is competitive and hence predict that the equilibrium backhaul price is zero when there is imbalance in shipping volume in both directions over a given route. This is the case for Behrens and Picard (2011). Demirel et al. (2010) offer a matching model to generate equilibrium transport prices that may differ but are positive for both directions. Our model, with the transportation firms having market power, also supports positive equilibrium transport prices.
endogenously, with the backhaul problem being considered explicitly.

Our model with imperfect competition and bilateral trade illustrates how transport costs are determined endogenously, with possible asymmetry between domestic and foreign countries. In particular, when a gap in the demand size exists between the two countries, the country with the lower demand faces higher freight costs on shipping. This theoretical prediction is consistent with Waugh’s (2010) finding that countries with lower income tend to face higher export costs.

Our analysis demonstrates that an explicit consideration of a transport sector changes the prediction of the effects of trade policies based on standard trade models. In particular, a country’s trade policy may backfire: domestic import restrictions may also decrease domestic exports and could harm domestic manufacturing firms while benefiting foreign manufacturing firms. These results are due to transport firm’s endogenous response to trade policy. A transport firm with market power makes decisions on two margins: the freight rate to be charged for each direction, and the capacity for transport. With changes in trade restrictions, the transport firm makes adjustments only in the freight rates, or in the freight rates and the capacity, depending on the stringency of the trade policy. When shipping capacity is binding for transportation in both directions, a policy that affects one trip may influence the return trip through a linkage due to endogenous transport. Thus an increase in a country’s import tariff can reduce its exports, thereby generating the backfiring effect described above. We also demonstrate such policy linkages in the case of import quotas and production subsidies.

The impacts of trade policy differ substantially once we consider foreign direct investment (FDI). The option of FDI works as a threat against transport firms because it provides manufacturing firms with an opportunity to avoid shipping their outputs. Because high trade costs induce firms to choose FDI, a transport firm has an incentive to lower freight rates when trade restrictions increase trade costs. However, the decrease in the freight rates has different effects under tariffs and import quotas.

In our basic model, the transport firm is a monopolistic carrier and two manufacturing firms produce a homogeneous good. We then consider extensions and check the robustness of our results. In one extension, we investigate a case with multiple goods. In another extension, we consider multiple transport firms. In these extensions, besides the backfiring effects, we obtain a few additional results. In the case of multiple goods, for example, a tariff in one sector may affect other independent sectors. In particular, a domestic tariff in one sector could hurt domestic firms and benefit foreign firms in other independent sectors. In the case of multiple transport firms, the degree of the backhaul problem can be different for different transport firms. These extensions confirm that the backfiring effect of trade policies is robust under specifications with multiple goods or multiple transport firms.
In what follows, Section 2 describes our trade model with an endogenous transport sector. Section 3 studies the impacts of tariffs, import quotas, and production subsidies on trading firms’ profits and the equilibrium transport costs. We provide extensions of our analysis when exporting firms have an option to conduct foreign direct investment (Section 4), when multiple goods are traded (Section 5) and when there are multiple carriers (Section 6). Section 7 concludes the paper with a discussion on further research.

2 A trade model with a transport sector

There are two countries \( A \) and \( B \). There is a single manufacturing firm in each country (firm \( i; i = A, B \)) and a single transport firm: firm \( T \).\(^{10}\) Both firms \( A \) and \( B \) produce a homogeneous good and serve both countries. To serve the foreign country, transport services are required. The marginal cost (MC) of producing the good, \( c_i \) \((i = A, B)\), is constant.

The inverse demand for the good in country \( A \) and \( B \) are given by

\[
P_A = A - aX_A, \quad P_B = B - bX_B.
\]

where \( P_i \) and \( X_i \) are, respectively, the price of the good and the quantity of the good demanded in country \( i \). Parameters \( A, B, a, \) and \( b \) are positive scalars. It is assumed that the two markets are segmented and that the two firms engage in Cournot competition.

The profits of firm \( i \) \((i = A, B)\), \( \Pi_i \), are

\[
\Pi_A = (P_A - c_A)x_{AA} + (P_B - c_A - T_{AB})x_{AB}, \quad \Pi_B = (P_B - c_B)x_{BB} + (P_A - c_B - T_{BA})x_{BA}.
\]

where \( x_{ij} \) is firm \( i \)'s supply to country \( j \) and \( T_{ij} \) is the freight rate when shipping the good from country \( i \) to country \( j \). We assume that the freight rate is linear and additive by following the empirical findings supporting this specification.\(^{11}\)

In our setting, firm \( T \) first sets freight rates and makes a take-it-or-leave-it offer to manufacturing firms \( A \) and \( B \).\(^{12}\) Then firms \( A \) and \( B \) decide whether to accept the offer. If they accept the offer, then the firms engage in Cournot competition in each country. We

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\(^{10}\)Firm \( T \) may be located in country \( A \) or country \( B \) or in a third country. The location becomes crucial when analyzing welfare.

\(^{11}\)Using multi-country bilateral trade data at the 6-digit HS classification, Hummels and Skiba (2004) find that shipping technology for a single homogeneous shipment more closely resembles per unit, rather than ad-valorem, transport costs. Using Norwegian data on quantities and prices for exports at the firm/product/destination level, Irarrazabal et al. (2015) find the presence of additive (as opposed to iceberg) trade costs for a large majority of product-destination pairs.

\(^{12}\)In Behrens et al. (2009) and Behrens and Picard (2011), for example, the manufacturing firms determine their supplies by taking the freight rate as given.
solve the model with backward induction.

Given the freight rates, we obtain firm $i$’s supply to country $j$ ($i, j = A, B$) under Cournot competition as follows:

$$x_{AA} = \frac{A - 2c_A + c_B + T_{BA}}{3a}, x_{BA} = \frac{A + c_A - 2(c_B + T_{BA})}{3a},$$

$$x_{BB} = \frac{B - 2c_B + c_A + T_{AB}}{3b}, x_{AB} = \frac{B + c_B - 2(c_A + T_{AB})}{3b},$$

$$\Pi_A = ax_{AA}^2 + bx_{AB}^2, \Pi_B = bx_{BB}^2 + ax_{BA}^2.$$

We assume that $x_{AA}, x_{BB}, x_{AB},$ and $x_{BA}$ are positive. We will use the expressions $x_{BA}(T_{BA})$ and $x_{AB}(T_{AB})$ when we emphasize the trade volume’s dependence on the freight rates.

The costs of firm $T$, $C_T$, are given by

$$C_T = f_T + r_T k_T,$$

where $f_T, r_T,$ and $k_T$ are, respectively, the fixed cost, the marginal cost (MC) of operating a means of transport such as vessels, and the capacity, i.e., $\max\{x_{AB}, x_{BA}\} = k_T$. The profits of firm $T$ are:

$$\Pi_T = T_{AB} x_{AB} + T_{BA} x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T k_T).$$

In the following analysis, we assume $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$ under free trade without loss of generality. Then we have

$$\Pi_T = T_{AB} x_{AB} + T_{BA} x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T x_{AB})$$

$$= T_{AB} \frac{B + c_B - 2(c_A + T_{AB})}{3b} + T_{BA} \frac{A + c_A - 2(c_B + T_{BA})}{3a}$$

$$-(f_T + r_T \frac{B + c_B - 2(c_A + T_{AB})}{3b}).$$

To maximize its profits, firm $T$ sets$^{13}$

$$\tilde{T}_{AB}^F = \frac{1}{4} B - \frac{1}{2} c_A + \frac{1}{4} c_B + \frac{1}{2} r_T, \tilde{T}_{BA}^F = \frac{1}{4} A + \frac{1}{4} c_A - \frac{1}{2} c_B.$$

There are two cases. In Case 1, $x_{AB}(\tilde{T}_{AB}^F) = \frac{1}{6a} (B - 2c_A + c_B - 2r_T) > x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}^F) = \frac{1}{6a} (A + c_A - 2c_B)$ holds. This case is consistent with the assumption: $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$. In this

$^{13}$Tilde represents equilibrium values.
The case with $x_{AB}(\tilde{T}_{AB}^F) < x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}^F)$ is inconsistent with the assumption: $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$. With $x_{AB}(\tilde{T}_{AB}^F) \leq x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}^F)$, therefore, firm $T$ maximizes its profits subject to $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$, i.e.,

$$\max \Pi_T = \max \{T_{AB} B + c_B - 2(c_A + T_{AB}) + T_{BA} A + c_A - 2(c_B + T_{BA}) \}$$

$$- (f_T + r_T k_T)$$

s.t. $T_{AB} = \frac{1}{2a} (ac_B - 2ac_A - bc_A + 2bc_B + 2bT_{BA} - Ab + Ba) \Leftrightarrow x_{AB} = x_{BA}$.

Then we obtain the following equilibrium:

$$T_{AB}^F = \frac{1}{4(a + b)} (2ac_B - 4ac_A - 3bc_A + 3bc_B + 2br_T - Ab + 2Ba + Bb)$$

$$T_{BA}^F = \frac{1}{4(a + b)} (3ac_A - 3ac_B + 2bc_A - 4bc_B + 2ar_T + Ab + 2Ab - Bb)$$

$$x_{AB}^F = \frac{1}{6(a + b)} (A + B - 2r_T - c_A - c_B).$$

We thus obtain the following proposition.\(^{14}\)

**Proposition 1** Suppose $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$ holds under free trade (that is, $\frac{1}{6a} (B - 2c_A + c_B) \geq \frac{1}{6a} (A + c_A - 2c_B - 2r_T)$). If $\frac{1}{6a} (B - 2c_A + c_B - 2r_T) > \frac{1}{6a} (A + c_A - 2c_B)$, then $T_{BA}$ is independent of $r_T$. A change in $r_T$ does not affect the supply of either firm in country A. If $\frac{1}{6a} (B - 2c_A + c_B - 2r_T) \leq \frac{1}{6a} (A + c_A - 2c_B)$, both $T_{AB}$ and $T_{BA}$ depend on $r_T$ and $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ holds.

There are two types of equilibrium with $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$. Whereas $x_{AB} > x_{BA}$ holds in type-1 equilibrium, $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ holds in type-2 equilibrium. In type 1, there is a large demand gap between the two countries, implying that there is an excess shipping capacity from country $B$ to country $A$. That is, a full load is not realized for shipping from country $B$ to country $A$. In type 2, the demand gap is small. Thus, firm $T$ adjusts its freight rates so that it does

\(^{14}\) $x_{AB} < x_{BA}$ holds if and only if $\frac{1}{6a} (B - 2c_A + c_B) < \frac{1}{6a} (A + c_A - 2c_B - 2r_T)$. 

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not have an excess shipping capacity, or, it realizes a full load in both directions. Obviously, type-2 equilibrium arises if the two markets as well as the two manufacturing firms are identical. It should be noted that

\[ T_{AB}^{F1} + T_{BA}^{F1} = T_{AB}^{F2} + T_{BA}^{F2} = \frac{1}{4} (A + B - c_A - c_B + 2r) \]

holds.

### 3 Trade Policies

In this section, we explore the effects of import tariffs, import quotas and production subsidies and obtain some unconventional results. We still keep the assumption that \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \) holds under free trade. We also assume \( c_i = 0 \) (i = A, B) for simplicity in the following analysis.

#### 3.1 Tariffs

We begin with tariffs. When a specific tariff, the rate of which is \( \tau_i \) (i = A, B), is imposed by country i, the profits of firm i (i = A, B), \( \Pi_i \), are

\[
\Pi_A = P_A x_{AA} + (P_B - \tau_B - T_{AB}) x_{AB}, \quad \Pi_B = P_B x_{BB} + (P_A - \tau_A - T_{BA}) x_{BA}.
\]

Then (1) and (2) are modified as follows with \( c_i = 0 \) (i = A, B).

\[
x_{AA} = \frac{A + T_{BA} + \tau_A}{3a}, \quad x_{BA} = \frac{A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_A)}{3a},
\]

\[
x_{BB} = \frac{B + T_{AB} + \tau_B}{3b}, \quad x_{AB} = \frac{B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_B)}{3b}.
\]

We should note that even if \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \) holds with free trade, it may not hold with tariffs. First, suppose \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \) with tariffs. Firm T’s profits are then given by

\[
\Pi_T = T_{AB} \frac{B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_B)}{3b} + T_{BA} \frac{A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_A)}{3a} - (f_T + r_T) \frac{B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_B)}{3b}.
\]

Thus, we have

\[
T_{AB}^{\tau_T} = \frac{1}{4} B - \frac{1}{2} \tau_B + \frac{1}{2} r_T, \quad T_{BA}^{\tau_T} = \frac{1}{4} A - \frac{1}{2} \tau_A.
\]

Just as the free trade case, we have two cases. If \( x_{AB}(T_{AB}^{\tau_T}) > x_{BA}(T_{BA}^{\tau_T}) \) holds, the
equilibrium is given by

\[ T_{i} = \frac{1}{4} B - \frac{1}{2} \tau_{B} + \frac{1}{2} \tau_{T}, T_{j} = \frac{1}{4} A - \frac{1}{2} \tau_{A}, \]

\[ x_{ij} = \frac{1}{12a} (5A + 2\tau_{A}), x_{ij} = \frac{1}{6a} (A - 2\tau_{A}), \]

\[ x_{ij} = \frac{1}{12b} (5B + 2\tau_{B} + 2\tau_{T}), x_{ij} = \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2\tau_{B} - 2\tau_{T}). \]

This is type-1 equilibrium with tariffs, which corresponds to type-1 equilibrium under free trade. An increase in \( \tau_{1} \) decreases \( x_{ji} \) and increases \( x_{ii} (i, j = A, B, i \neq j) \) and affects neither \( x_{ij} \) nor \( x_{jj} \). This is the conventional effects of tariffs with market segmentation.

If \( x_{AB}(T_{AB}) \leq x_{BA}(T_{BA}) \) holds, firm \( T \) maximizes its profits subject to \( x_{AB} = x_{BA} \), i.e.,

\[ \max \Pi_{T} = \max \{ T_{AB} B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_{B}) + T_{BA} A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_{A}) - (f_{T} + r_{T} k_{T}) \} \]

\[ s.t. T_{AB} = \frac{1}{2a} (2b\tau_{A} - 2a\tau_{B} + 2bt_{BA} - Ab + Ba) \leftrightarrow x_{AB} = x_{BA} \]

Then we obtain the following equilibrium:

\[ T_{i} = \frac{1}{4(a + b)} (2b\tau_{A} - 4a\tau_{B} - 2b\tau_{B} + 2b\tau_{T} - Ab + 2Ba + Bb), \]

\[ T_{j} = \frac{1}{4(a + b)} (-2a\tau_{A} + 2a\tau_{B} - 4b\tau_{A} + 2ar_{T} + Aa + 2Ab - Ba), \]

\[ x_{ij} = \frac{1}{6(a + b)} (A + B - 2\tau_{A} - 2\tau_{B} - 2\tau_{T}), \]

\[ x_{ij} = \frac{1}{12a(a + b)} (2a\tau_{A} + 2a\tau_{B} + 2ar_{T} + 5Aa + 6Ab - Ba), \]

\[ x_{ij} = \frac{1}{12b(a + b)} (2b\tau_{A} + 2b\tau_{B} + 2br_{T} - Ab + 6Ba + 5Bb). \]

This is type-2 equilibrium with tariffs, which corresponds to type-2 equilibrium under free trade. In this equilibrium, the shipping capacity is binding in both directions. An increase in \( \tau_{1} \) decreases both \( x_{ji} \) and \( x_{ij} \) and increases both \( x_{ii} \) and \( x_{jj} \) (\( i, j = A, B, i \neq j \)). This is in contrast with type-1 equilibrium, in which an increase in \( \tau_{1} \) affects the supplies only in country \( i \), that is, an increase in \( \tau_{1} \) decreases \( x_{ii} \) and increases \( x_{ii} \). An increase in \( \tau_{1} \), decreases \( x_{ji} \) in both types of equilibrium. In type-2 equilibrium, however, the shipping capacity is reduced to be equal to \( x_{ij} \) and hence \( x_{ij} \) also decreases. Since \( x_{ji} (x_{ij}) \) and \( x_{ii} (x_{jj}) \) are strategic substitutes, a decrease in \( x_{ji} (x_{ij}) \) increases \( x_{ii} (x_{jj}) \).
Next suppose $x_{AB} < x_{BA}$ with tariffs. The profits of firm $T$ become

$$\Pi_T = T_{AB} \frac{B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_B)}{3b} + T_{BA} \frac{A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_A)}{3a} - (f_T + r_T) \frac{A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_A)}{3a}. $$

Thus, we have

$$\hat{T}_{AB}^r = \frac{1}{4} B - \frac{1}{2} \tau_B, \hat{T}_{BA}^r = \frac{1}{4} A - \frac{1}{2} \tau_A + \frac{1}{2} r_T. $$

If $x_{AB}(\hat{T}_{AB}^r) < x_{BA}(\hat{T}_{BA}^r)$ holds, the equilibrium is given by

$$T_{AB}^r = \frac{1}{4} B - \frac{1}{2} \tau_B, T_{BA}^r = \frac{1}{4} A - \frac{1}{2} \tau_A + \frac{1}{2} r_T, $$

$$x_{AA}^r = \frac{1}{12a} (5A + 2\tau_A + 2r_T), x_{BA}^r = \frac{1}{6a} (A - 2\tau_A - 2r_T), $$

$$x_{BB}^r = \frac{1}{12b} (5B + 2\tau_B), x_{AB}^r = \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2\tau_B). $$

This is type-3 equilibrium with tariffs. Just as in type-1 equilibrium, an increase in $\tau_i$ decreases $x_{ji}$, increases $x_{ii}$ ($i, j = A, B, i \neq j$) and affects neither $x_{ij}$ nor $x_{jj}$.

Figure 1 here
Figure 2 here

The above cases are illustrated in Figures 1 and 2. Figure 1 (Figure 2) shows the relationship between $\tau_B$ ($\tau_A$) and the volumes of trade (i.e. $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$) with $\tau_A = 0$ ($\tau_B = 0$). The free trade equilibrium is given by $F_A$ and $F_B$ in Figure 1 (a) and Figure 2 (a) and by $F$ in Figure 1 (b) and Figure 2 (b). In Figure 1 (a), as $\tau_B$ increases, $x_{AB}$ decreases with $0 \leq \tau_A < \frac{B}{2}$. Both with $0 \leq \tau_B < \frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab - 2ar_T)$ and with $\frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab + 2br_T) < \tau_B < \frac{B}{2}$, $x_{BA}$ is independent of $\tau_B$. With $\frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab - 2ar_T) \leq \tau_B \leq \frac{1}{2b} (Ba - Ab + 2br_T)$, $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ holds and an increase in $\tau_B$ decreases both $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$. In Figure 1 (b), with $0 \leq \tau_B \leq \frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab + 2br_T)$, both $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$ decrease together as $\tau_B$ increases. With $\frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab + 2br_T) < \tau_B < \frac{B}{2}$, when $\tau_B$ rises, $x_{BA}$ falls but $x_{BA}$ is constant. In Figure 1, type-1 equilibrium arises if $0 < \tau_B < \frac{1}{2b} (Ba - Ab + 2ar_T)$, type-2 equilibrium arises if $\max\{0, \frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab + 2ar_T)\} \leq \tau_B \leq \frac{1}{2b} (Ba - Ab + 2bt_T)$, and type-3 equilibrium arises if $\frac{1}{2a} (Ba - Ab + 2br_T) < \tau_B < \frac{B}{2}$.

In Figure 2 (a), an increase in $\tau_A$ decreases $x_{BA}$ with $0 \leq \tau_A < \frac{A}{2}$ but does not affect $x_{AB}$. In Figure 2 (b), with $0 \leq \tau_A \leq \frac{1}{2a} (Ab - Ba + 2ar_T)$, both $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$ decrease together as $\tau_A$ increases. With $\frac{1}{2b} (Ab - Ba + 2ar_T) < \tau_A < \frac{A}{2}$, when $\tau_A$ rises, $x_{BA}$ falls but $x_{AB}$ is

\footnote{If $x_{AB}(\hat{T}_{AB}) \geq x_{BA}(\hat{T}_{BA})$ holds, firm $T$ maximizes its profits subject to $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$. We have already obtained this case.}
constant. In Figure 2, type-1 equilibrium arises if \( \text{max}\{0, \frac{1}{25} (Ab - Ba + 2arT)\} < \tau_A < \frac{4}{25} \) and type-2 equilibrium arises if \( 0 < \tau_A \leq \frac{1}{25} (Ab - Ba + 2arT) \).

The above results are summarized in the following proposition.

**Proposition 2** If country \( i \) imposes a tariff, \( \tau_i \), firm \( T \) lowers the freight rate from country \( j \) to country \( i \), \( T_{ji} \) (\( i, j = A, B, i \neq j \)). That is, firm \( T \) mitigates the effects of tariffs. Suppose \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \) under the free-trade equilibrium. If \( \text{max}\{0, \frac{1}{25} (Ba - Ab - 2arT)\} < \tau_B \leq \frac{B}{25} \), then a tariff in country \( B \) increases the freight rate from country \( B \) to country \( A \) and decreases not only country \( B \)'s imports but also country \( B \)'s exports. If \( 0 < \tau_B \leq \frac{1}{25} (Ab - Ba + 2arT) \), then a tariff in country \( A \) increases \( T_{AB} \) and decreases country \( A \)'s exports as well as country \( A \)'s imports.

The impact of trade policy on the transport firm with market power in our model has some resemblance to the impact of the exporting country’s trade policy when the importer has market power (Deardorff and Rajaraman, 2009; Oladi and Gilbert, 2012). Deardorff and Rajaraman (2009) explain that “[t]he export tax allows the exporting country to extract a portion of the foreign monopsonist’s monopsony rent, albeit at the cost of further worsening the economic distortion caused by monopsony pricing” (p. 193).

It should be pointed out that the effects of a tax on firm \( T \) are somewhat similar to the effects of tariffs. Suppose that a specific tax, \( t \), is imposed on the capacity \( k_T \). Then the effective MC of firm \( T \) becomes \( r_T + t \). In type-1 equilibrium, only \( T_{AB} \) increases and hence only \( x_{AB} \) decreases. In type-2 equilibrium, both \( T_{AB} \) and \( T_{BA} \) increase and hence both \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) decrease. In type-1 and type-2 equilibria, if country \( B \) can impose the tax on firm \( T \), country \( B \) can substitute the tax for a tariff.

Next we analyze the effects of tariffs on the profits of firms \( A \) and \( B \). It is obvious in our model that firm \( B \) gains and firm \( A \) loses from an increase in country \( B \)'s tariff under both type-1 and type-3 equilibria as well as from the introduction of a small tariff by country \( B \) under type-1 free-trade equilibrium.\(^{16}\) However, this may not be true under type-2 equilibrium. In the following, we specifically show that there exist parameter values under which a tariff set by country \( B \) (country \( A \)) harms firm \( B \) (firm \( A \)) and/or benefits firm \( A \) (firm \( B \)) in type-2 free-trade equilibrium.

We first examine the case in which country \( B \) introduces a small tariff in type-2 free-trade equilibrium.\(^{17}\) The profits of firm \( B \) in type-2 equilibrium with \( \tau_A = 0 \) are

\[
\Pi_B^2 = \frac{1}{144b(a+b)^2} (2b\tau_B + 2br_T - Ab + 6Ba + 5Bb)^2 + \frac{a}{36(a+b)^2}(A + B - 2\tau_B - 2r_T)^2, \quad (3)
\]

\(^{16}\) A small tariff is unlikely to lead to type-3 equilibrium with \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \) under free trade.

\(^{17}\) This implies \( \tau_A = 0 \). The following argument is valid even with \( \tau_A > 0 \).
where the first and the second terms are the profits from country \(B\) and the profits from country \(A\), respectively. It is obvious form (3) that a tariff in country \(B\) increases the profits from country \(B\) but decreases the profits from country \(A\).

To examine the effect of a small tariff set by country \(B\) on the profits of firm \(B\), we differentiate (3) with respect to \(\tau_B\) and check the sign at \(\tau_B = 0:\)

\[
\frac{d\Pi_B^2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = \frac{1}{36 (a + b)^2} (8ar_T + 2br_T - 4Aa - Ab + 2Ba + 5Bb).
\]

If the sign is negative, then a small tariff imposed by country \(B\) decreases the profits of firm \(B\). Suppose \(a = 2b\). Then we check if \(\frac{d\Pi_B^2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = -\frac{1}{36b} (A - B - 2r_T) < 0\) holds. Moreover, we have to check if the case with \(a = 2b\) is consistent with type-2 equilibrium. In view of Figure 1, type-2 equilibrium arises under free trade if \(\frac{1}{6a} (A - 2r_T) < \frac{1}{6(a + b)} (A + B - 2r_T) < \frac{1}{6b}\). We can verify that these constraints are satisfied with, for example, \(A = 2B\). Thus, firm \(B\) actually loses from a tariff set by country \(B\) under some parameterization.

We next examine if firm \(A\) gains from a small tariff imposed by country \(B\) with \(\tau_A = 0\). The profits of firm \(A\) in type-2 equilibrium are

\[
\Pi_A^2 = \frac{1}{144a(a + b)^2} (2a\tau_B + 2ar_T + 5Aa + 6Ab - Ba)^2 + \frac{b}{36(a + b)^2} (A + B - 2\tau_B - 2r_T)^2, \tag{4}
\]

where the first and the second terms are the profits from country \(A\) and those from country \(B\), respectively. Country \(B\)'s tariff increases the profits from country \(A\) but decreases the profits from country \(B\). We differentiate (4) with respect to \(\tau_B\) and check if the following holds:

\[
\frac{d\Pi_A^2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = \frac{1}{36 (a + b)^2} (2ar_T + 8br_T + 5Aa + 2Ab - Ba - 4Bb) > 0.
\]

Again, supposing \(a = 2b\), we check if \(\frac{d\Pi_A^2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = \frac{1}{54b} (2A - B + 2r_T) > 0\) holds. If \(A = 2B\), this inequality holds and type-2 equilibrium is realized.\(^{18}\) This implies that firm \(A\) actually gains from a tariff set by country \(B\) under some parameterization.

Therefore, with \(a = 2b\) and \(A = 2B\), for example, a small tariff set by country \(B\) harms \(B\) and benefits firm \(A\). The economic intuition behind the result is as follows. The direct effect of a tariff in country \(B\) is a decrease in firm \(A\)'s exports. The direct effect is harmful for firm \(A\) and beneficial for firm \(B\). However, the tariff also restricts firm \(B\)'s exports to country \(A\) under type-2 equilibrium. This indirect effect benefits firm \(A\) and hurts firm \(B\). When country \(A\)'s market is larger than country \(B\)’s, the indirect effect could dominate the

\(^{18}\)If \(\frac{d\Pi_A^2}{d\tau_A} \bigg|_{\tau_A=0} > 0\), then \(\frac{d\Pi_A^2}{d\tau_A} > 0\) holds for \(\tau_B \geq 0\) and hence an increase in \(\tau_B\) also increases the profits of firm \(A\).
direct effect.\(^{19}\)

We can similarly show that a small tariff introduced by country \(A\) could harm firm \(A\) and benefit firm \(B\) in type-2 equilibrium. Moreover, if the two markets are identical (i.e., \(A = B\) and \(a = b\)), both \(\frac{d\Pi_i^2}{d\tau_i} > 0\) and \(\frac{d\Pi_A^2}{d\tau_i} > 0\) hold for \(\tau_i \geq 0\) (\(i = A, B\)). Thus, both firms gain not only from the imposition of a small tariff by either country but also from an increase in the tariff.

Thus, we obtain the following proposition.

**Proposition 3** When country \(i\) introduces a small import tariff in type-2 equilibrium, firm \(i\) may not gain and firm \(j\) may not lose. Depending on the parameter values, the following situations could arise: i) both firms gain; or ii) firm \(i\) loses while firm \(j\) gains.

Next we explore the welfare effects of tariffs. In our welfare analysis, we consider the introduction of a small tariff under free trade. Since type-3 equilibrium is unlikely to arise in this situation, we focus on type-1 and type-2 equilibria. Obviously, a tariff harms firm \(T\). Although the effects of a tariff on consumers are mitigated by the change in the freight rate(s), consumers still lose. Country \(A\)’s (\(B\)’s) tariff harms consumers in country \(A\) (country \(B\)) in type-1 equilibrium and consumers in both countries in type-2 equilibrium. In type-1 equilibrium, the effects of tariffs are the same as the well-known effects in a standard international oligopoly model.\(^{20}\) That is, when country \(B\) introduces a small tariff, firm \(B\) gains, consumers in country \(B\) and firm \(A\) lose, and the government obtains the tariff revenue. Thus, if the profits of firm \(T\) are not included in the welfare measurement, country \(B\) as a whole gains.

In the following, therefore, we first investigate the welfare effects of a tariff in country \(B\) in type-1 equilibrium when the profits of firm \(T\) are included in the welfare.\(^{21}\) In this case, country \(B\)’s welfare is

\[
W_B^* = CS_B^* + \Pi_B^* + TR_B^* + \Pi_T^*.
\]

The profits of firm \(T\) in type-1 equilibrium are

\[
\Pi_T^1 = \frac{1}{24} \left( B - 2\tau_B - 2\tau_T \right)^2 + \frac{1}{24} \left( A - 2\tau_A \right)^2 - f_T.
\]

Then we obtain

\[
\frac{d\Pi_T^1}{d\tau_B} = -\frac{1}{6} \frac{(B - 2\tau_B - 2\tau_T)}{b} < 0,
\]

\(^{19}\)If the market of country \(A\) is much larger than that of country \(B\), then type 2 equilibrium would not arise.

\(^{20}\)See Brander and Spencer (1984) and Furusawa et al. (2003) among others.

\(^{21}\)In our welfare analysis, we consider the introduction of a small tariff under free trade. Type-3 equilibrium is unlikely to arise in this situation. Thus, we focus on type-1 and type-2 equilibria here.
from which we can confirm that firm $T$ loses from the tariff.

The welfare effects are given by\textsuperscript{22}

$$
\frac{dW^\tau_1}{d\tau_B} = \frac{1}{24} \frac{B - 6\tau_B + 2r_T}{b}; \quad \frac{dW^\tau_1}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = \frac{1}{24} \frac{B + 2r_T}{b} > 0.
$$

Thus, even if the profits of firm $T$ are included in the welfare measurement, country $B$ as a whole gains from a small tariff.

In type-1 equilibrium with a tariff in country $B$ tariff, firm $A$’s trade costs consist of the tariff rate $\tau_B$ and the freight rate $T_{AB}$ which is decomposed into the MC $r_T$ and the markup, $m$. When the tariff is introduced, firm $T$ lowers its markup. However, from the viewpoint of country $B$ as a whole, $m + \tau_B$ can be regarded as the country’s “markup” and the effects of the small increase are essentially the same as the effects of a small increase in the tariff in a standard international oligopoly model without the transport sector.

In type-2 equilibrium, firm $B$ may lose from a tariff in country $B$. If the profits of firm $T$ are not included in the welfare measurement, then the welfare effects evaluated at $\tau_A = \tau_B = 0$ are given by

$$
\frac{dW^\tau_2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_A=\tau_B=0} = \frac{-8ar_T - 18br_T + 4Aa + 9Ab + 10Ba + 15Bb}{72(a + b)^2} > 0,
$$

which implies that a small tariff introduced with free trade benefits country $B$. This is the case even if firm $B$ loses from a tariff in country $B$. The gain for the government (i.e., the tariff revenue) exceeds the losses of consumers and firm $B$.

If the profits of firm $T$ are included in the welfare measurement, then the welfare effects evaluated at $\tau_A = \tau_B = 0$ are given by

$$
\frac{dW^\tau_2}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_A=\tau_B=0} = \frac{16ar_T + 6br_T - 8Aa - 3Ab - 2Ba + 3Bb}{72(a + b)^2},
$$

the sign of which is ambiguous in general. Thus, a small tariff introduced with free trade may make country $B$ worse off. We can verify that a tariff in country $B$ lessens its welfare if the tariff is harmful for firm $B$.

We next analyze the effects of a tariff in country $A$ on country $B$’s welfare. In type-1 equilibrium, a tariff in country $A$ harms firm $B$ and firm $T$ but does not affect consumers in country $B$. In type-1 equilibrium, therefore, a tariff in country $A$ makes country $B$ worse off whether or not the profits of firm $T$ are included in country $B$’s welfare.

\textsuperscript{22}If the profits of firm $T$ are not included in country $B$’s welfare, we have $\frac{dW^\tau_1}{d\tau_A} = \frac{1}{24b} (5B - 14\tau_B - 6r_T)$ and $\frac{dW^\tau_1}{d\tau_B} \bigg|_{\tau_B=0} = \frac{1}{24b} (5B - 6r_T) > 0$. 

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We now check the effects in type-2 equilibrium. In type-2 equilibrium, a tariff in country A harms consumers in both countries and firm T but may benefit firm B. If the profits of firm T are not included in country B’s welfare, the welfare effects evaluated at $\tau_A = \tau_B = 0$ are given by

$$\left. \frac{dW^2_B}{d\tau_A} \right|_{\tau_A = \tau_B = 0} = \frac{16ar_T + 6br_T - 8Aa - 3Ab - 2Ba + 3Bb}{72(a + b)^2},$$

(5)

which could be positive, meaning that a tariff in country A could make country B better off. Country B gains only if a tariff in country A benefits firm B.\(^{23}\) If the profits of firm T are included in the welfare measurement, on the other hand, the welfare effects evaluated at $\tau_A = \tau_B = 0$ are given by

$$\left. \frac{dW^2_B}{d\tau_A} \right|_{\tau_A = \tau_B = 0} = \frac{40ar_T + 30br_T - 20Aa - 15Ab - 14Ba - 9Bb}{72(a + b)^2} < 0.$$

Thus, country B as a whole, which includes firm T, loses from a small tariff in country A introduced under free trade.

The above results are summarized in Table 1.

### 3.2 Import Quotas

In this subsection, we investigate import quotas. In fact, the effects of import quotas are similar to those of tariffs. We begin with an import quota set by country B, the level of which is $q_B(> 0)$. As long as the quota is binding, it decreases $x_{BA}$ and may decrease $x_{AB}$.

We check whether the quota affects $x_{BA}$. As long as $q_B \geq x_{BA}(T^F_{BA}) = \frac{A}{6a}$ holds, there are no effects on $T_{BA}$ and $x_{BA}$. $T_{AB}$ is determined such that $q_B = \frac{B - 2T_{AB}}{2}$. Thus, we obtain type-1 equilibrium with quotas, which corresponds to type 1 with tariffs:

$$T^{Q1B}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B, \quad T^{Q1B}_{BA} = \frac{1}{4}A,$$

$$x^{Q1B}_{AA} = \frac{5A}{12a}, \quad x^{Q1B}_{BA} = \frac{A}{6a},$$

$$x^{Q1B}_{BB} = \frac{1}{2b}(B - bq_B), \quad x^{Q1B}_{AB} = q_B.$$

\(^{23}\)If $b = 2a$ and $B = 2A$, for example, type-2 equilibrium arises and firm B gains from a tariff in country A. With these parameter values, (5) becomes $\left. \frac{dW^2_B}{d\tau_A} \right|_{\tau_A = \tau_B = 0} = -\frac{2a}{72(a + b)^2}(3A - 14r_T)$, which is positive if $3A < 14r_T$.
An import quota set by country B affects supplies only in country B. Firm T adjusts $T_{AB}$ so that the quota is just binding. As a result, $T_{AB}$ falls.

Now suppose $x_{BA} > q_{B}$ holds with the quota. Then the profits of firm T become

$$\Pi_T = T_{AB}q_B + T_{BA} \frac{A - 2T_{BA}}{3a} - (f_T + r_T \frac{A - 2T_{BA}}{3a}).$$

Thus, we have

$$\tilde{T}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B, \tilde{T}_{BA} = \frac{1}{4}A + \frac{1}{2}r_T.$$ 

Just as in the free-trade case, there are two subcases depending on whether $x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}) = \frac{1}{6a}(A - 2r_T) > q_B$ or $x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}) = \frac{1}{6a}(A - 2r_T) \leq q_B(< \frac{A}{6a})$ holds. With $x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}) = \frac{1}{6a}(A - 2r_T) \leq q_B$, which is inconsistent with $x_{BA} > q_B$, we have $x_{AB} = x_{BA} = q_B$. The equilibrium is

$$\begin{align*}
x_{AB}^Q &= \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B, T_{BA}^Q = \frac{1}{2}A - \frac{3}{2}aq_B, \\
x_{AA}^Q &= \frac{1}{2a}(A - aq_B), x_{BA}^Q = q_B, \\
x_{BB}^Q &= \frac{1}{2b}(B - bq_B), x_{BA}^Q = q_B.
\end{align*}$$

This equilibrium is type 2 with country B’s quotas, which corresponds to type 2 equilibrium with tariffs. An import quota set by country B decreases both $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$ and increases both $x_{AA}$ and $x_{BB}$. Firm T sets the shipping capacity equal to the quota and adjusts both $T_{AB}$ and $T_{BA}$ so that the capacity is just binding in both directions.

If $x_{BA}(T_{BA}) = \frac{1}{6a}(A - 2r_T) > q_B$ holds on the other hand, the equilibrium can be obtained by substituting $\tilde{T}_{AB}^Q$ and $\tilde{T}_{BA}^Q$ in (1) and (2).

$$\begin{align*}
x_{AB}^Q &= \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B, T_{BA}^Q = \frac{1}{4}A + \frac{1}{2}r_T, \\
x_{AA}^Q &= \frac{1}{12a}(5A + 2r_T), x_{BA}^Q = \frac{1}{6a}(A - 2r_T), \\
x_{BB}^Q &= \frac{1}{2b}(B - bq_B), x_{BA}^Q = q_B.
\end{align*}$$

This equilibrium, which is type 3 with country B’s quotas, arises when $q_B$ is very small in the sense that the inequality in $x_{AB} \geq x_{BA}$ under free trade is reversed because of the quota. It should be noted that $T_{BA}$ is greater in this equilibrium than in the other two equilibria.

This is because firm T now sets the shipping capacity equal to $x_{BA}^Q$.

Figure 3 here
The three types of equilibrium with the quotas are depicted in Figure 3. In Figure 3 (a), \( x_{AB} > x_{BA} \) holds under free trade, which arises if \( \frac{A}{6a} < \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) \) holds. \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) under free trade are, respectively, indicated by \( F_A \) and \( F_B \). Since \( x_{AB} = q_B \) holds, \( x_{AB} \) with the quota is located on \( F_AO \) (i.e., the 45 degree line from the origin). \( x_{BA} \) with the quota is located on \( F_BB_1B_2B_0 \). If \( \frac{A}{6a} < q_B < \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) \), then type-1 equilibrium arises and hence \( q_B = x_{AB} > x_{BA} \) holds. For example, suppose that a quota, the level of which is \( q^* \), is imposed. Then \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) with the quota are, respectively, given by \( Q_A \) and \( Q_B \). If \( \frac{1}{6a} (A - 2r_T) \leq q_B \leq \frac{A}{6b} \), then type-2 equilibrium arises and hence \( q_B = x_{AB} = x_{BA} \) holds. When the quota level is given by \( q' \), for example, \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) with the quota are given by \( Q' \). If \( 0 < q_B < (A - 2r_T) \) holds, then type-3 equilibrium arises and hence \( q_B = x_{AB} < x_{BA} \) holds. When the quota level is given by \( q'' \), for example, \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) with the quota are, respectively, given by \( Q''_A \) and \( Q''_B \).

In Figure 3 (b), \( x_{AB} = x_{BA} \) holds under free trade, which arises if \( \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) < \frac{A}{6a} \) holds. \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) under free trade are indicated by \( F \). When the quota is introduced, \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) are located on \( FO \) and \( FB_2B_0 \), respectively. If \( \frac{1}{6a} (A - 2r_T) \leq q_B < \frac{1}{6(a+b)} (A + B - 2r_T) \), then type-2 equilibrium arises and hence \( q_B = x_{AB} = x_{BA} \) holds. If \( 0 < q_B < \frac{1}{6a} (A - 2r_T) \) holds, then type-3 equilibrium arises and hence \( q_B = x_{AB} < x_{BA} \) holds.

Thus, the following proposition is established.

**Proposition 4** Suppose that country B introduces an import quota, \( q_B(>0) \), under the free-trade equilibrium with \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \). The quota also decreases the exports from country B to country A if either \( q_B < \frac{A}{6a} < \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) \) holds or if \( \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) < \frac{A}{6a} \) holds.

We turn to an import quota set by country A, the level of which is \( q_A \). If \( \frac{A}{6a} (= x_{BA}(\tilde{T}_{BA}^A)) \leq \frac{1}{6b} (B - 2r_T) (= x_{AB}(\tilde{T}_{AB}^A)) \), then type-1 equilibrium arises under free trade. When an import quota is set, we have

\[
T_{AB}^{Q1A} = \frac{1}{4}B + \frac{1}{2}r_T, \quad T_{BA}^{Q1A} = \frac{1}{2}A - \frac{3}{2}aq_A, \\
x_{AA}^{Q1A} = \frac{1}{2a}(A - aq_A), \quad x_{BA}^{Q1A} = q_A, \\
x_{BB}^{Q1A} = \frac{1}{12b}(5B + 2r_T), \quad x_{AB}^{Q1A} = \frac{1}{6b}(B - 2r_T).
\]

The import quota does not affect \( T_{AB} \), \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BB} \), increases \( T_{BA} \) and \( x_{AA} \), and decreases \( x_{BA} \). This case is illustrated in Figure 4 (a). \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) under free trade are, respectively, indicated by \( F_A \) and \( F_B \) and those under the quota respectively lie on \( F_AA_0 \) and \( F_BO \).

Figure 4 here
If \( \frac{1}{66} (B - 2r_T) < \frac{A}{6a} \), on the other hand, type-2 equilibrium arises under free trade. This case is illustrated in Figure 4 (b). Whereas \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) under free trade are given by \( F \), those under the quota respectively lie on \( FA_1A_0 \) and \( FO \). If \( 0 < q_A \leq \frac{1}{66} (B - 2r_T) \), the equilibrium is the same as above. However, the import quota increases \( T_{AB} \), \( T_{BA} \), \( x_{AA} \), and \( x_{BB} \), and decreases both \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \). A decrease in \( x_{AB} \) is less than that in \( x_{BA} \). If \( \frac{1}{66} (B - 2r_T) < q_A < \frac{1}{6(a+b)} (A + B - 2r_T) \), then the equilibrium with the quota is given by

\[
\begin{align*}
T_{QAB} &= \frac{1}{2} B - \frac{3}{2} bq_A, \\
T_{QBA} &= \frac{1}{2} A - \frac{3}{2} aq_A, \\
x_{QA} &= \frac{1}{2} (A - aq_A), \\
x_{QB} &= \frac{1}{2} (bq_B), \\
x_{QA} &= q_A.
\end{align*}
\]

Therefore, we obtain

**Proposition 5** Suppose that country \( A \) sets an import quota, \( q_A \), under the free-trade equilibrium with \( x_{AB} \geq x_{BA} \). If \( \frac{1}{66} (B - 2r_T) < \frac{A}{6a} \) holds, then the import quota also decreases the exports from country \( A \) to country \( B \).

As in the case of tariffs, there exist parameter values under which firm \( B \) loses and/or firm \( A \) gains from an import quota in country \( B \) in type-2 equilibrium. First, we examine the effect of introducing a quota on the profits of firm \( B \) under type-2 free-trade equilibrium. The profits of firm \( B \) in type-2 equilibrium are

\[ \Pi_{QB}^T = \frac{1}{4b} (B - bq_B)^2 + aq_B^2, \]

where the first and the second terms are the profits from country \( B \) and those from country \( A \), respectively. We check if the following holds at \( q_B = x_{AB}^{F2} \):

\[ \frac{d\Pi_{QB}^T}{dq_B} = -\frac{1}{2} (B - 4aq_B - bq_B) > 0. \]

If it does, then the introduction of an import quota in country \( B \) (the level of which is close to the free trade level) under type-2 free-trade equilibrium reduces the profits of firm \( B \). At \( q_B = x_{AB}^{F2} \), we obtain

\[ \frac{d\Pi_{QB}^T}{dq_B} \bigg|_{q_B=x_{AB}^{F2}} = -\frac{1}{12(a+b)} (8ar_T + 2br_T - 4Aa - Ab + 2Ba + 5Bb). \]

\[ \text{We can verify} \quad \frac{1}{6(a+b)} (A + B - 2r_T) > \frac{1}{66} (B - 2r_T). \]
Again, suppose $a = 2b$. Then we need to check if 
\[
\frac{d\Pi^Q_{A}}{dq_{B}} \bigg|_{q_B = x_{A}^f} = \frac{1}{4}(A - B - 2r_T) > 0
\]
holds. With $A = 2B$, for example, this equality holds and the equilibrium is type 2. Thus, firm $B$ actually loses from an import quota set by country $B$ under some parameterization.

We next examine the effect of a quota in country $B$ on the profits of firm $A$ in type-2 free-trade equilibrium. The profits of firm $A$ in type-2 equilibrium are

\[
\Pi^Q_A = \frac{1}{4a}(A - aq_B)^2 + bq_B^2.
\]

If the following holds:

\[
\frac{d\Pi^Q_{A}}{dq_{B}} \bigg|_{q_B = x_{A}^f} = -\frac{1}{2}(A - aq_B - 4bq_B)
\]

\[
= -\frac{1}{12(a + b)}(2ar_T + 8br_T + 5Aa + 2Ab - Ba - 4Bb) < 0,
\]

then the introduction of an import quota in country $B$ (the level of which is close to the free trade level) increases the profits of firm $A$. Suppose $a = 2b$ and $A = 2B$. Then type-2 equilibrium arises and 
\[
\frac{d\Pi^Q_{A}}{dq_{B}} \bigg|_{q_B = x_{A}^f} < 0
\]
holds. Thus, firm $A$ actually gains from an import quota set by country $B$ under some parameterization.

The above shows that an import quota set by country $B$ (the level of which is close to the free trade level) in type-2 free-trade equilibrium harms firm $B$ and benefits firm $A$ with $a = 2b$ and $A = 2B$. The economic intuition behind this result is the same as that for tariffs. The direct effect of an import quota in country $B$ is a decrease in firm $A$’s exports. The direct effect harms firm $A$ and benefits firm $B$. However, the quota also restricts firm $B$’s exports to country $A$ under type-2 equilibrium. This indirect effect, which stems from the presence of the transport sector, benefits firm $A$ and harms firm $B$. Thus, an import quota set by country $B$ generates two conflicting effects on profits. When country $A$’s market is larger than country $B$’s, the indirect effect could dominate the direct effect. This actually arises with $a = 2b$ and $A = 2B$.

It is straightforward to confirm that an import quota set by country $A$ could harm firm $A$ and benefit firm $B$ in type-2 equilibrium. We can also verify that if the two markets are identical (i.e., $A = B$ and $a = b$), both firms $A$ and $B$ gain from either of the quotas.

Thus, we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 6** When country $B$ (country $A$) introduces an import quota, firm $B$ (firm $A$) may not gain and firm $A$ (firm $B$) may not lose. Depending on the parameter values, the following situations could arise: i) both firms gain; or ii) firm $B$ loses while firm $A$ gains. If the two countries are identical, an import quota in country $i$ benefits both firms $A$ and $B$. 

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harms consumers in both countries and firm T, and reduces the welfare of both countries.

3.3 Production Subsidies

In this subsection, we briefly examine production subsidies. When a specific subsidy, the rate of which is $s_i$ ($i = A, B$), is provided by country $i$, the profits of firm $i$ ($i = A, B$), $\Pi_i$, are

$$ \Pi_A = (P_A + s_A)x_{AA} + (P_B + s_A - T_{AB})x_{AB}, \Pi_B = (P_B + s_B)x_{BB} + (P_A + s_B - T_{BA})x_{BA}. $$

Then (1) and (2) are modified as follows with $c_i = 0$ ($i = A, B$).

$$ x_{AA} = \frac{A + 2s_A + (T_{BA} - s_B)}{3a}, x_{BA} = \frac{A - s_A - 2(T_{BA} - s_B)}{3a}, $$
$$ x_{BB} = \frac{B + 2s_B + (T_{AB} - s_A)}{3b}, x_{AB} = \frac{B - s_B - 2(T_{AB} - s_A)}{3b}. $$

As in the case of tariffs, we have three types of equilibrium. In type-1 equilibrium, we have

$$ T_{AB}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{4}B + \frac{1}{2}s_A - \frac{1}{4}s_B + \frac{1}{2}r_T, T_{BA}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{4}A - \frac{1}{4}s_A + \frac{1}{2}s_B, $$
$$ x_{AA}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{12a}(5A + 7s_A - 2s_B), x_{BA}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{6a}(A - s_A + 2s_B), $$
$$ x_{BB}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{12b}(5B - 2s_A + 7s_B + 2r_T), x_{AB}^{s_1} = \frac{1}{6b}(B + 2s_A - s_B - 2r_T). $$

In type-2 equilibrium, we have

$$ T_{AB}^{s_2} = \frac{1}{4(a + b)}(-2as_B + 4as_A + 3bs_A - 3bs_B + 2br_T - Ab + 2Ba + Bb), $$
$$ T_{BA}^{s_2} = \frac{1}{4(a + b)}(-3as_A + 3as_B - 2bs_A + 4bs_B + 2ar_T + Aa + 2Ab - Ba), $$
$$ x_{AA}^{s_2} = \frac{1}{12a(a + b)}(-as_B + 5as_A + 6bs_A + 2ar_T + 5Aa + 6Ab - Ba), $$
$$ x_{BB}^{s_2} = \frac{1}{12b(a + b)}(-bs_A + 6as_B + 5bs_B + 2br_T - Ab + 6Ba + 5Bb), $$
$$ x_{AB}^{s_2} = x_{BA}^{s_2} = \frac{1}{6(a + b)}(A + B - 2r_T + s_A + s_B). $$
In type-3 equilibrium, we have

\[
T_{AB}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{4} B + \frac{1}{2} s_A - \frac{1}{4} s_B, \quad T_{BA}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{4} A - \frac{1}{4} s_A + \frac{1}{2} s_B + \frac{1}{2} r_T,
\]

\[
x_{AA}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{12a} (5A + 7s_A - 2s_B + 2r_T), \quad x_{BA}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{6a} (A - s_A + 2s_B - 2r_T),
\]

\[
x_{BB}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{12b} (5B - 2s_A + 7s_B), \quad x_{AB}^{s_3} = \frac{1}{6b} (B + 2s_A - s_B).
\]

In any type of equilibrium, both \(T_{AB}\) and \(T_{BA}\) are affected by both \(s_A\) and \(s_B\). An increase in \(s_i\) increases \(T_{ij}\) and decreases \(T_{ji}\) (\(i = A, B, i \neq j\)). Thus, firm \(T\) adjusts the freight rates and shifts a part of the subsidy rent from the firm receiving the subsidy. It is straightforward to verify that an increase in \(s_A\) or \(s_B\) benefits firm \(T\) and consumers in both countries.

In type-1 and type-3 equilibria, a production subsidy provided by country \(i\) benefits firm \(i\) and harms firm \(j\) (\(i, j = A, B, i \neq j\)). In type-2 equilibrium, however, a production subsidy provided by country \(i\) could benefit both firms \(A\) and \(B\). Below, we show that firm \(B\) gains from a production subsidy provided by country \(A\). The profits of firm \(B\) with \(s_B = 0\) in type-2 equilibrium are

\[
\Pi_B^2 = \frac{1}{144b(a+b)^2} (-bs_A + 2br_T - Ab + 6Ba + 5Bb)^2 + \frac{a}{36(a+b)^2} (A + B - 2r_T + s_A)^2.
\]

Differentiating this with respect to \(s_A\), we have

\[
\frac{d\Pi_B^2}{ds_A} = \frac{1}{72(a+b)^2} (4as_A + bs_A - 8ar_T - 2br_T + 4Aa + Ab - 2Ba - 5Bb).
\]

Suppose \(a = 2\) and \(b = 1\). Then \(\frac{d\Pi_B^2}{ds_A} > 0\) if \(A - B - 2r_T > 0\), which holds with \(A = 2B\), for example. As was shown, \(a = 2\), \(b = 1\) and \(A = 2B\) are consistent with type-2 equilibrium.

Thus, with \(a = 2\), \(b = 1\) and \(A = 2B\), a production subsidy provided by country \(A\) is beneficial for firm \(B\) (as well as for firm \(A\)). The economic intuition behind the result is similar to that in the tariff case. A production subsidy in country \(A\) increases firm \(A\)’s total output. As a result, firm \(A\)’s exports increase and firm \(B\)’s domestic supply decreases, which is harmful for firm \(B\). However, firm \(B\)’s exports also increase in type-2 equilibrium. This benefits firm \(B\). When country \(A\)’s market is larger than country \(B\)’s, the latter effect could dominate the former.

Thus, we obtain the following proposition.

\(^{25}\)Since \(\frac{d\Pi_B^2}{ds_A} > 0\) holds even if \(s_A \neq 0\), not only the provision of the subsidy but also an increase in \(s_A\) increases the profits of firm \(B\).
Proposition 7 Suppose that country \( i \) provides a production subsidy, \( s_i \) \((i = A, B)\). Firm \( T \) raises the freight rate from country \( i \) to country \( j \), \( T_{ij} \), but lowers the freight from country \( j \) to country \( i \), \( T_{ji} \) \((i, j = A, B, i \neq j)\). Firm \( i \), firm \( T \) and consumers in both countries gain. In type-1 and type-3 equilibria, country \( i \)’s exports increase, its imports decrease, and firm \( j \) loses. In type-2 equilibrium, however, country \( i \)’s imports as well as its exports increase and firm \( j \) could gain.

4 Presence of FDI

In this section, we introduce the possibility of foreign direct investment (FDI) into the basic model and examine trade policies. We consider the standard trade-off between transport costs and FDI costs.\(^{26}\) When undertaking FDI, the investing firm \( i \) \((i = A, B)\) can save trade costs including transport costs \( T_{ij} \) \((j = A, B; i \neq j)\) but has to incur fixed costs for FDI, \( \Phi_i \). We assume that FDI does not affect the MCs of production (which are still assumed to be zero).

If firm \( A \) (firm \( B \)) undertakes FDI, then firm \( B \) (firm \( A \)) could lose from a decrease in the effective MC of firm \( A \) (firm \( B \)). Firm \( B \) (firm \( A \)) may also face an increase in \( T_{BA} \) \((T_{AB})\). Obviously, firm \( T \) loses from FDI and hence tries to prevent manufacturing firms from undertaking FDI. In this section, we specifically show that although in the previous section the effects of quotas and those of tariffs are similar, these effects are quite different with the possibility of FDI.

We begin with the case of tariffs. Suppose that country \( B \) sets a specific tariff, the rate of which is \( \tau_B \). Since an increase in the tariff rate decreases the profits of firm \( A \) in type-1 and type-3 equilibria, there may exist a critical tariff rate, \( \tau_B^{\max} \), at which firm \( A \) is indifferent between exports and FDI. With \( \tau_B > \tau_B^{\max} \), therefore, firm \( T \) has an incentive to lower the freight rate to prevent FDI. In fact, firm \( T \) sets the freight rate so that firm \( A \)’s trade cost which is the sum of the tariff and the freight rate equals \( \tau_B^{\max} + T_{AB}(\tau_B^{\max}) \). As long as the trade cost remains at the level of \( \tau_B^{\max} + T_{AB}(\tau_B^{\max}) \), firm \( A \) has no incentive for FDI. Thus, government \( B \) can raise the tariff without increasing the consumer price when \( \tau_B \geq \tau_B^{\max} \). There are no effects on firms \( A \) or \( B \) or on consumers. The tariff simply results in full rent-shifting from firm \( T \) to government \( B \).\(^{27}\)

It should be noted that \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \) may drop at some tariff levels. Figure 5 shows a possible case. When \( \tau_B > \tau_B^{\max} \), an increase in \( \tau_B \) decreases \( T_{AB} \) but the trade cost is

\(^{26}\)Daniels and Ruhr (2014) find that shipping costs have a positive and significant relationship with U.S. manufacturing foreign direct investment.

\(^{27}\)A similar argument is valid when country \( A \) imposes a tariff.
constant at $\tau_B^{\text{max}} + T_{AB}(\tau_B^{\text{max}})$. Suppose that $\tau_1$ is the tariff rate at which $T_{AB} = r_T$ holds. Then $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$, respectively, drop from $G_{A1}$ to $G_1$ and $G_{B1}$ to $G_1$, because firm $T$ cannot cover the MC, $r_T$, for the capacity beyond the level of $x_{AB}(\tau_1)$ with $\tau_B > \tau_1$. By reducing the capacity from $x_{AB}(\tau_B^{\text{max}})$ to $x_{AB}(\tau_1)$ to realize a full load in both directions, firm $T$ can cover the MC of the whole capacity. Now suppose that $\tau_2$ is the tariff rate at which $T_{AB} + T_{BA}(\tau_2) = r_T$ holds. Then $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$, respectively, drop from $G_2$ to $G_{A2}$ and $G_2$ to $G_{B2}$, because firm $T$ can no longer keep a full load in both directions with $\tau_B > \tau_2$.\textsuperscript{28} By reducing the capacity from $x_{AB}(\tau_1)$ to $x_{AB}(\tau_2)$ to realize a full load only in the direction from country $B$ to country $A$, firm $T$ can cover the MC of the capacity. $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$ are constant with $\tau_1 < \tau_B < \tau_2$ and with $\tau_B > \tau_2$.\textsuperscript{29}

Figure 5 here

We obtain the following proposition.

**Proposition 8** Suppose $\tau_B \geq \tau_B^{\text{max}}$. Then an increase in $\tau_B$ leads firm $T$ to lower the freight rate. Even if $\tau_B$ increases, the trade cost could be constant. If this is the case, firms $A$ and $B$ and consumers are not affected. Government $B$ gains but firm $T$ loses.

Next we examine the case of quotas. Suppose that country $B$ sets an import quota, the level of which is $q_B$. As was shown, the freight rate is $T_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B$. In type-1 and type-3 equilibria, firm $A$’s profits decrease as $q_B$ decreases. Thus, there may exist a critical quota level, $q_B^{\text{min}}$, at which firm $A$ is indifferent between exports and FDI. That is, with $q_B < q_B^{\text{min}}$, firm $A$ chooses FDI if $T_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}B - \frac{3}{2}bq_B$. Then firm $T$ has an incentive to lower the freight rate to prevent FDI. More specifically, firm $T$ sets the freight rate so that firm $A$ is indifferent between exports and FDI. Even if firm $T$ decreases the freight rate, the effects of a decrease in $q_B$ on firm $B$ and consumers remain the same; that is, a decrease in $q_B$ benefits firm $B$ and harms consumers in country $B$.

Interestingly, there may exist a situation in which the quota becomes unbinding as it becomes tighter. Figure 6 shows a possible case. Suppose $\frac{4}{6a} < q_1 < q_B^{\text{min}}$ where $q_1$ is the quota level at which $T_{AB} = r_T$ holds. At $q_B = q_1$, firm $T$ sets $k_T = \frac{4}{6a}(x_{Q2}^{BA})$, because firm $T$ cannot cover the MC, $r_T$, for capacity beyond the level of $\frac{4}{6a}(x_{Q2}^{BA})$. By reducing the capacity from $q_1$ to $x_{Q2}^{BA}$ to realize a full load in both directions, firm $T$ can cover the MC of the whole capacity. In the figure, $x_{AB}$ shifts from $Q_1$ to $Q_1'$ at $q_B = q_1$. This implies that the quota becomes unbinding and $x_{AB} = x_{BA} = \frac{4}{6a}$ holds. In the figure, the quota is unbinding with $\frac{4}{6a} < q_B < q_1$ and becomes binding again at $q_B = \frac{4}{6a}$.

\textsuperscript{28}With $\tau_1 < \tau_B < \tau_2$, $\frac{1}{m}(A - 2r_T) < x_{AB} = x_{BA} < \frac{4}{6a}$ holds.

\textsuperscript{29}Firm $T$ stops shipping the good from country $A$ to country $B$ at the tariff rate with which firm $T$ has to set $T_{AB} = 0$ to prevent FDI.

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As long as the quota is binding, a decrease in $q_B$ decreases the profits of firm $T$. It is also harmful for consumers in country $B$, because the imports decrease and the consumer price increases. $T_{BA}$ increases if $x_{AB} = x_{BA} = q_B$ but does not change otherwise.

Thus, we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 9** Suppose that country $B$ sets an import quota and $q_B \leq q_B^{\text{min}}$ holds. As the level of (binding) quota decreases, firm $T$ lowers the freight rate $T_{AB}$ to make firm $A$ indifferent between exports and FDI; and raises $T_{BA}$ if $x_{AB} = x_{BA} = q_B$. Firm $B$ gains, while consumers in country $B$ and firm $T$ lose. Tightening the quota may make the quota unbinding.

## 5 Multiple Goods

In this section, we extend the basic model with tariffs to the case with multiple final goods. We begin with a simple symmetric case. Suppose that there are $n$ independent goods produced by $n$ sectors in both countries. Each sector is characterized by the sector in the basic model. There is a single firm producing good $j$ ($j = 1, \ldots, n$) in each country. The inverse demand for good $j$ in countries $A$ and $B$ is given by

$$P_{Aj} = A_j - a_j X_{Aj}, P_{Bj} = B_j - b_j X_{Bj},$$

The profits of the firm manufacturing good $j$ in country $i$ ($i = A, B$), $\Pi_{ij}$, are

$$\Pi_{Aj} = P_{Aj} x_{jAA} + (P_{Bj} - \tau_{Bj} - T_{AB}) x_{jAB}, \Pi_{Bj} = P_{Bj} x_{jBB} + (P_{Aj} - \tau_{Aj} - T_{BA}) x_{jBA}.$$ 

Suppose that $n$ sectors are symmetric, that is, $A \equiv A_1 = \ldots = A_n$, $B \equiv B_1 = \ldots = B_n$, $a \equiv a_1 = \ldots = a_n$, $\tau_A \equiv \tau_{A1} = \ldots = \tau_{An}$, and $\tau_B \equiv \tau_{B1} = \ldots = \tau_{Bn}$. Then we can easily verify that the analysis and results are essentially the same as those in the basic model with a single good.

We next examine the case without symmetry. For this, we consider a simple model with two goods, goods $X$ and $Z$. As in the basic model, firms $A$ and $B$ produce good $X$ and supply it to both countries. Good $Z$ is produced only by firm $\alpha$ in country $A$ but is consumed in both countries. We take substitutability between goods $X$ and $Z$ into account.

We assume that the inverse demand for good $X$ in countries $A$ and $B$ is given by

$$P_{xA} = A_x - (x_{AA} + x_{BA}) - \phi z_{AA}, P_{xB} = B_x - (x_{AB} + x_{BB}) - \phi z_{AB},$$
where $\phi \in [0, 1)$ stands for the degree of substitutability between goods $X$ and $Z$. The extreme value 0 corresponds to the case of independent goods. Similarly the inverse demand for good $Z$ in countries $A$ and $B$ is given by

$$P_{zA} = A_z - z_{AA} - \phi(x_{AA} + x_{BA}), \quad P_{zB} = B_z - z_{AB} - \phi(x_{AB} + x_{BB}).$$

The profits of firm $T$ now become

$$\Pi_T = T_{AB}(x_{AB} + z_{AB}) + T_{BA}x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T k_T).$$

The profits of firm $\alpha$, $\Pi_\alpha$, are given by

$$\Pi_\alpha = P_{zA}z_{AA} + (P_{zB} - \tau_{zB} - T_{AB})z_{AB},$$

where $\tau_{zB}$ is a specific tariff on good $Z$ imposed by country $B$. Although no firm produces good $Z$ in country $B$, government $B$ has incentive to impose a tariff to shift the rent from firm $\alpha$ to government $B$.

Given the freight rates, we obtain the supplies with Cournot competition as follows

$$x_{AB} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \begin{pmatrix} 2B_x - 4\tau_{zB} - 4T_{AB} + \phi \tau_{zB} \\ -\phi B_z + \phi T_{AB} + \phi^2 \tau_{zB} + \phi^2 T_{AB} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$x_{BB} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \begin{pmatrix} 2\tau_{zB} + 2B_x + 2T_{AB} + \phi \tau_{zB} \\ -\phi B_z + \phi T_{AB} - \phi^2 \tau_{zB} - \phi^2 T_{AB} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$z_{AB} = \frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} (3B_x - 3B_z + 3T_{AB} - \phi \tau_{zB} + 2\phi B_x - \phi T_{AB}),$$

$$x_{BA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \begin{pmatrix} 2A_x - 4\tau_{zA} - 4T_{BA} - \phi A_z + \phi^2 \tau_{zA} + \phi^2 T_{BA} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$x_{AA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \begin{pmatrix} 2\tau_{zA} + 2A_x + 2T_{BA} - \phi A_z - \phi^2 \tau_{zA} - \phi^2 T_{BA} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$z_{AA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} (3A_z + \phi \tau_{zA} - 2\phi A_x + \phi T_{BA}).$$

First, we examine the case with $x_{AB} + z_{AB} > x_{BA}$. In this case, we have

$$\max \Pi_T = \max \{T_{AB}(x_{AB} + z_{AB}) + T_{BA}x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T (x_{AB} + z_{AB}))\}.$$
Solving this, we have

\[
T_{AB}^{M1} = \frac{1}{4\phi + 2\phi^2 - 14} \left( -2B_x - 3B_z + r_T (2\phi + \phi^2 - 7) - (\phi^2 + \phi - 4) \tau_{xB} + 2\phi B_x + \phi B_z - \phi \tau_{zB} + 3\tau_{zB} \right),
\]

\[
T_{BA}^{M1} = -\frac{1}{2\phi^2 - 8} \left( 2A_x - \phi A_z - 4\tau_{xA} + \phi^2 \tau_{xA} \right).
\]

Second, we consider the case with \(x_{AB} + z_{AB} < x_{BA}\).

\[
\max \Pi_T = \max \{ T_{AB}(x_{AB} + z_{AB}) + T_{BA}x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T x_{BA}) \}.
\]

Solving this, we have

\[
T_{AB}^{M3} = -\frac{1}{4\phi + 2\phi^2 - 14} \left( 2B_x + 3B_z + \phi \tau_{zB} - 2\phi B_x - \phi B_z - 3\tau_{zB} + (\phi^2 + \phi - 4) \tau_{xB} \right),
\]

\[
T_{BA}^{M3} = -\frac{1}{2\phi^2 - 8} \left( -2A_x + r (\phi^2 - 4) + \phi A_z + 4\tau_{xA} - \phi^2 \tau_{xA} \right).
\]

In both cases, therefore, an increase in \(\tau_{xB}\) or \(\tau_{zB}\) decreases \(T_{AB}\), while an increase in \(\tau_{xA}\) decreases \(T_{BA}\). Thus, an increase in \(\tau_{xB} (\tau_{zB})\) harms firm \(A\) (firm \(\alpha\)) but benefits firm \(A\) (firm \(\alpha\)). This is the case even with \(\phi = 0\). It is obvious that, with \(\phi = 0\), firm \(B\) gains from an increase in \(\tau_{xB}\) but loses from an increase in \(\tau_{zB}\).

If \(x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA}\) holds, then spillover effects do exist. That is, an increase in \(\tau_{xB}\) or \(\tau_{zB}\) not only decreases \(T_{AB}\) but also increases \(T_{BA}\) and an increase in \(\tau_{xA}\) not only decreases \(T_{BA}\) but also increases \(T_{AB}\). It should be noted that the spillover effects arise even if \(\phi = 0\).

With \(x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA}\), we have

\[
\max \Pi_T = \max \{ T_{AB}(x_{AB} + z_{AB}) + T_{BA}x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T (x_{AB} + z_{AB})) \}
\]

\[
\text{s.t.} x_{BA} = x_{AB} + z_{AB}
\]
With \( \phi = 0 \), we obtain\(^{30}\)

\[
T_{AB}^{M2} \big|_{\phi = 0} = \frac{1}{77} \left( 14 \tau - 7 A x + 18 B x + 27 B z + 14 \tau x A - 36 \tau z B - 27 \tau z B \right),
\]

\[
T_{BA}^{M2} \big|_{\phi = 0} = \frac{1}{44} \left( 14 \tau + 15 A x - 4 B x - 6 B z - 30 \tau x A + 8 \tau z B + 6 \tau z B \right),
\]

\[
x_{AB}^{M2} \big|_{\phi = 0} = -\frac{1}{231} \left( 28 \tau - 14 A x - 41 B x + 54 B z + 28 \tau x A + 82 \tau z B - 54 \tau z B \right),
\]

\[
z_{AB}^{M2} \big|_{\phi = 0} = -\frac{1}{154} \left( 14 \tau - 7 A x + 18 B x - 50 B z + 14 \tau x A - 36 \tau z B + 50 \tau z B \right),
\]

\[
x_{BA}^{M2} \big|_{\phi = 0} = -\frac{1}{66} \left( 14 \tau - 7 A x - 4 B x - 6 B z + 14 \tau x A + 8 \tau z B + 6 \tau z B \right).
\]

An increase in \( \tau xB \) (\( \tau zB \)) decreases \( x_{AB} \) (\( z_{AB} \)) and increases \( z_{AB} \) (\( x_{AB} \)). Since the decrease in \( x_{AB} \) (\( z_{AB} \)) dominates the increase in \( z_{AB} \) (\( x_{AB} \)), \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA} \) decreases. The economic intuition behind the spillover effects is as follows. When \( \tau xB \) or \( \tau zB \) rises, to keep a full load in both directions, firm \( T \) decreases the reduction of the load from country \( A \) to country \( B \) by lowering \( T_{AB} \) and decreases the load from country \( B \) to country \( A \) by raising \( T_{BA} \). Similarly, when the load from country \( B \) to country \( A \) falls because of an increase in \( \tau xA \), firm \( T \) increases \( T_{AB} \) to reduce the load from country \( A \) to country \( B \). As in the case with \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} \neq x_{BA} \), firm \( A \) (firm \( \alpha \)) necessarily gains from an increase in \( \tau zB \) (\( \tau xB \)). However, the gain for firm \( A \) is magnified, because \( \tau zB \) also increases \( T_{BA} \).\(^{31}\)

Table 2 here

The above results are summarized in the following proposition (see also Table 2).

**Proposition 10** If \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} \neq x_{BA} \), then an increase in \( \tau xB \) or \( \tau zB \) decreases \( T_{AB} \). An increase in \( \tau zB \) (\( \tau zB \)) harms firm \( A \) (firm \( \alpha \)) and benefits firm \( \alpha \) (firm \( A \)) even if \( \phi = 0 \). If \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA} \), then an increase in \( \tau xB \) or \( \tau zB \) decreases \( T_{AB} \) and increases \( T_{BA} \). An increase in \( \tau xB \) (\( \tau zB \)) benefits firm \( \alpha \) (firm \( A \)) even if \( \phi = 0 \). Firm \( B \) loses from an increase in \( \tau zB \) if \( \phi = 0 \).

When country \( B \) sets a tariff on good \( X \) or \( Z \), firm \( T \) lowers the freight rate \( T_{AB} \) and its profits decrease. Thus, firm \( T \) may stop serving firm \( A \) (firm \( \alpha \)) when \( \tau xB \) (\( \tau zB \)) is large enough. To verify this, we assume \( \phi = 0 \), \( \tau xB > 0 \), \( \tau zB = 0 \) and \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} < x_{BA} \) for the

\(^{30}\)Tedious calculations reveal that the spillover effects are qualitatively the same even with \( \phi \neq 0 \).

\(^{31}\)This is also the case for firm \( \alpha \) unless \( \phi = 0 \).
sake of simplicity.\textsuperscript{32} Then we have
\[
T_{AB}^{M3}|_{\phi=0, \tau_{x_B}=0} = \frac{1}{14} (2B_x + 3B_z - 4\tau_{x_B}),
\]
\[
x_{AB}^{M3}|_{\phi=0, \tau_{x_B}=0} = \frac{1}{3} (B_x - 2T_{AB} - 2\tau_{x_B}), \quad z_{AB}^{M3}|_{\phi=0, \tau_{x_B}=0} = \frac{1}{2} (B_z - T_{AB}).
\]
The profits of firm $T$ from serving both firms $A$ and $\alpha$ are $\frac{1}{168} (2B_x + 3B_z - 4\tau_{x_B})^2$. When firm $T$ serves only firm $\alpha$, we have $T_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} B_z$ and the profits from serving only firm $\alpha$ are $\frac{1}{8} B_z^2$. Thus, if $\tau_{xB} > \frac{1}{2} B_x + \frac{3}{4} B_z - \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{21} B_z$, then the profits from serving only firm $\alpha$ are greater than those from serving both firm $A$ and firm $\alpha$. Stopping serving firm $A$ makes firm $B$ a monopolist in country $B$.

It should be noted that even if $x_{AB} + z_{AB} > x_{BA}$ initially holds, stopping serving firm $A$ may lead to $x_{AB} + z_{AB} \leq x_{BA}$ (where $x_{AB} = 0$). If this is the case, $T_{BA}$ increases.

Thus, we obtain the following proposition.

\textbf{Proposition 11} An increase in $\tau_{xB}$ ($\tau_{zB}$) may lead firm $T$ to stop serving firm $X$ (firm $Z$). This may increase $T_{BA}$.

Next we introduce another asymmetry into the model. We specifically assume that firm $T$ price-discriminates across firms. With price discrimination, the profits of firm $T$ become
\[
\Pi_T = T_{AB} x_{AB} + \Gamma_{AB} z_{AB} + T_{BA} x_{BA} - (f_T + r_T k_T),
\]
where $\Gamma_{AB}$ is the freight rate for firm $\alpha$. Firm $T$ sets three freight rates, $T_{AB}$, $T_{BA}$ and $\Gamma_{AB}$. The profits of firm $\alpha$, $\Pi_\alpha$, are given by
\[
\Pi_\alpha = P_{zA} z_{AA} + (P_{zB} - \tau_{zB} - \Gamma_{AB}) z_{AB}.
\]
\textsuperscript{32}Even with $\phi \neq 0$ and $\tau_{zB} \neq 0$, the essence of the following argument holds.
Given the freight rates, the supplies in country $B$ are modified as follows

$$x_{AB} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( \begin{array}{c} 2B_x - 4\tau_{xB} - 4T_{AB} + \phi \tau_{xB} \\ -\phi B_x + \phi \Gamma_{AB} + \phi^2 \tau_{xB} + \phi^2 T_{AB} \end{array} \right),$$

$$x_{BB} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( \begin{array}{c} 2\tau_{xB} + 2B_x + 2T_{AB} + \phi \tau_{xB} \\ -\phi B_x + \phi \Gamma_{AB} - \phi^2 \tau_{xB} - \phi^2 T_{AB} \end{array} \right),$$

$$z_{AB} = \frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( 3\tau_{xB} - 3B_z + 3\Gamma_{AB} - \phi \tau_{xB} + 2\phi B_x - \phi T_{AB} \right),$$

$$x_{BA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( 2A_x - 4\tau_{xA} - 4T_{BA} - \phi A_z + \phi^2 \tau_{xA} + \phi^2 T_{BA} \right),$$

$$x_{AA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( 2\tau_{xA} + 2A_x + 2T_{BA} - \phi A_z - \phi^2 \tau_{xA} - \phi^2 T_{BA} \right),$$

$$z_{AA} = -\frac{1}{2(\phi^2 - 3)} \left( 3A_z + \phi \tau_{xA} - 2\phi A_x + \phi T_{BA} \right).$$

In the following, we show that the effects of tariffs depend on whether or not a full load occurs in both directions (i.e., $x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA}$). First, we examine the case with $x_{AB} + z_{AB} > x_{BA}$. In this case, we have

$$\max \Pi_T = \max \{T_{AB}x_{AB} + T_{BA}x_{BA} + \Gamma_{AB}z_{AB} - (f_T + r_T(x_{AB} + z_{AB}))\}.$$ 

Solving this, we have

$$T_{AB}^{m1} = \frac{1}{13\phi^2 - 48} \left( \begin{array}{c} (24 - 7\phi^2) \tau_{xB} - 3\phi \tau_{xB} \\ -12B_x - 24r_T + 3\phi B_x + 3\phi r_T + 2\phi^2 B_x + 7\phi^2 r_T \end{array} \right),$$

$$\Gamma_{AB}^{m1} = \frac{1}{13\phi^2 - 48} \left( \begin{array}{c} (24 - 7\phi^2) \tau_{xB} + \phi (-4 + \phi^2) \tau_{xB} - 24B_x - 24r_T \\ +14\phi B_x + 4\phi r_T - 4\phi^3 B_x + 7\phi^2 B_x + 7\phi^2 r_T - \phi^3 r_T \end{array} \right),$$

$$T_{BA}^{m1} = \frac{1}{2\phi^2 - 8} \left( 4\tau_{xA} - 2A_x + \phi A_z - \phi^2 \tau_{xA} \right).$$

These imply that an increase in $\tau_{xB}$ ($\tau_{zB}$) lowers $T_{AB}$ ($\Gamma_{AB}$) and raises $\Gamma_{AB}$ ($T_{AB}$) unless the two goods are independent (i.e., $\phi = 0$). The economic intuition is as follows. When $\tau_{xB}$ ($\tau_{zB}$) increases, the demand shifts from good $X$ (good $Z$) to good $Z$ (good $X$) with $\phi \neq 0$. Facing this shift, firm $T$ adjusts $T_{AB}$ and $\Gamma_{AB}$ to restore the balance between $x_{AB}$ and $z_{AB}$. We should note that an increase in $\tau_{xB}$ increases the effective marginal cost for firm $A$ (i.e., $\tau_{xB} + T_{AB}$) and an increase in $\tau_{zB}$ increases the effective marginal cost for firm $\alpha$ (i.e., $\tau_{zB} + \Gamma_{AB}$). Thus, the effective marginal costs of both firms increase when $\tau_{xB}$ or $\tau_{zB}$ rises, implying that firms $A$ and $\alpha$ lose and firm $B$ gains. If the two goods are independent
(i.e., $\phi = 0$), a change in $\tau_{x\beta}$ ($\tau_{z\beta}$) lowers $T_{AB}$ ($\Gamma_{AB}$) but does not affect $\Gamma_{AB}$ ($T_{AB}$).

Second, we consider the case with $x_{AB} + z_{AB} < x_{BA}$.

$$\max \Pi_T = \max \{T_{AB}x_{AB} + T_{BA}x_{BA} + \Gamma_{AB}z_{AB} - (f_T + r_T x_{BA})\}.$$ Solving this, we have

$$T_{AB}^{m3} = \frac{1}{13\phi^2 - 48} \left((24 - 7\phi^2) \tau_{x\beta} - 3\phi \tau_{z\beta} - 12B_x + 3\phi B_z + 2\phi^2 B_z\right),$$

$$\Gamma_{AB}^{m3} = \frac{1}{13\phi^2 - 48} \left(\phi (\phi^2 - 4) \tau_{x\beta} + (24 - 7\phi^2) \tau_{z\beta} - 24B_x + 14\phi B_z - 4\phi^3 B_x + 7\phi^2 B_z\right),$$

$$T_{BA}^{m3} = \frac{1}{2\phi^2 - 8} \left(-4r_T + 4\tau_{xA} - 2A_x + \phi A_z + r_T\phi^2 - \phi^2 \tau_{xA}\right).$$

Again, an increase in $\tau_{x\beta}$ ($\tau_{z\beta}$) leads firm $T$ to reduce $T_{AB}$ ($\Gamma_{AB}$) and raise $\Gamma_{AB}$ ($T_{AB}$) if $\phi \neq 0$.

We next consider the case with $x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA}$. Again we show that a change in the tariff in one sector affects not only that sector but also the other independent sector even if $\phi = 0$.

$$\max \Pi_T = \max \{T_{AB}x_{AB} + T_{BA}x_{BA} + \Gamma_{AB}z_{AB} - (f_T + r_T x_{BA})\}$$ $$s.t. x_{BA} = x_{AB} + z_{AB}$$

If $\phi = 0$ holds, we obtain

$$T_{AB}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = \frac{1}{44} (8r - 30\tau_{x\beta} + 8\tau_{xA} - 6\tau_{z\beta} - 4A_x + 15B_x + 6B_z),$$

$$\Gamma_{AB}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = \frac{1}{11} (2r - 2\tau_{x\beta} + 2\tau_{xA} - 7\tau_{z\beta} - A_x + B_z + 7B_z),$$

$$T_{BA}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = \frac{1}{44} (14r + 8\tau_{x\beta} - 30\tau_{xA} + 6\tau_{z\beta} + 15A_x - 4B_x + 6B_z),$$

$$x_{AB}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = -\frac{1}{66} (8r + 14\tau_{x\beta} + 8\tau_{xA} - 6\tau_{z\beta} - 4A_x - 7B_x + 6B_z),$$

$$z_{AB}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = -\frac{1}{22} (2r - 2\tau_{x\beta} + 2\tau_{xA} + 4\tau_{z\beta} - A_x + B_x - 4B_z),$$

$$x_{BA}^{m2}|_{\phi=0} = -\frac{1}{66} (14r + 8\tau_{x\beta} + 14\tau_{xA} + 6\tau_{z\beta} - 7A_x - 4B_x + 6B_z).$$

An increase in $\tau_{x\beta}$ or $\tau_{z\beta}$ decreases both $T_{AB}$ and $\Gamma_{AB}$ and increases $T_{BA}$ while an increase in $\tau_{xA}$ increases both $T_{AB}$ and $\Gamma_{AB}$ and decreases $T_{BA}$.\footnote{As in the case without price discrimination, the spillover effects are qualitatively the same even with $\phi \neq 0.$} In contrast to the case with
\( x_{AB} + z_{AB} \neq x_{BA} \), therefore, firm \( T \) adjusts \( T_{BA} \) as well as \( T_{AB} \) and \( \Gamma_{AB} \) to keep a full load in both directions. That is, when \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) or \( \tau_{z_{B}} \) rises, firm \( T \) avoids the reduction in the load from country \( A \) to country \( B \) by lowering \( \Gamma_{AB} \) and \( T_{AB} \) and decrease the load from country \( B \) to country \( A \) by raising \( T_{BA} \). Analogously, when the load from country \( B \) to country \( A \) falls because of an increase in \( \tau_{x_{A}} \), firm \( T \) increases both \( T_{AB} \) and \( \Gamma_{AB} \) to reduce the load from country \( A \) to country \( B \). The effects of tariffs on profits are not straightforward with \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA} \) but firm \( \alpha \) (firm \( A \)) necessarily gains from an increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) (\( \tau_{z_{B}} \)).

Thus, with respect to the tariffs imposed by country \( B \), we obtain the following proposition (see also Table 3).

**Proposition 12** Suppose that firm \( T \) price-discriminates across firms. If \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} \neq x_{BA} \) and \( \phi \neq 0 \), then an increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) (\( \tau_{z_{B}} \)) decreases \( T_{AB} \) (\( \Gamma_{AB} \)) but increases \( \Gamma_{AB} \) (\( T_{AB} \)). An increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) or \( \tau_{z_{B}} \) harms both firm \( A \) and firm \( \alpha \) and benefits firm \( B \). If \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} \neq x_{BA} \) and \( \phi = 0 \), then the effect of an increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) (\( \tau_{z_{B}} \)) is just to decrease \( T_{AB} \) (\( \Gamma_{AB} \)). An increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) harms firm \( A \) and benefits firm \( B \) while an increase in \( \tau_{z_{B}} \) harms firm \( \alpha \). If \( x_{AB} + z_{AB} = x_{BA} \), then an increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) or \( \tau_{z_{B}} \) decreases both \( T_{AB} \) and \( \Gamma_{AB} \) but increases \( T_{BA} \). Even if \( \phi = 0 \), an increase in \( \tau_{x_{B}} \) benefits firm \( \alpha \) and an increase in \( \tau_{z_{B}} \) benefits firm \( A \) and harms firm \( B \).

### 6 Multiple Carriers

In this section, we extend the basic model with tariffs to the case with multiple carriers. We assume that there are two transport firms: firm \( T_1 \) and firm \( T_2 \) and that these firms are engaged in Cournot competition. Without loss of generality, we assume that \( r_1 \leq r_2 \), where \( r_i \) (\( i = 1, 2 \)) is the MC of operating a means of transport for firm \( T_i \). The firms face the following derived demands.

\[
x_{AB} = \frac{B - 2(T_{AB} + \tau_{B})}{3b}, \quad x_{BA} = \frac{A - 2(T_{BA} + \tau_{A})}{3a}.
\tag{6}
\]

We have \( x_{AB} = x_{1AB} + x_{2AB} \) and \( x_{BA} = x_{1BA} + x_{2BA} \) (where a subscript \( i = 1, 2 \) stands for firm \( T_i \)).

The appendix shows that there are five possible equilibria with \( r_1 \leq r_2 \), which are stated in the following lemma (see Figure 7).
Lemma 1  1) $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ holds if $\Lambda(\equiv Ab - Ba + 2a \tau_B - 2b \tau_A) < 2a(r_1 - 2r_2)$, 2) $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ holds if $-2a r_1 \leq \Lambda \leq 2b r_1$, 3) $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ holds if $2b(2r_2 - r_1) < \Lambda$, 4) $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ holds if $2a(r_1 - 2r_2) \leq \Lambda < -2a r_1$, and 5) $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ if $2b r_1 < \Lambda \leq 2b(2r_2 - r_1)$.

Thus, we obtain the following proposition.

Proposition 13 With $r_1 < r_2$, the range of parameterization for operating without a full load is larger for firm $T_1$ than for firm $T_2$.

The economic intuition behind this result is as follows. The MC of operating a means of transport is lower for firm $T_1$ than for firm $T_2$, implying that the cost to operate shipping without a full load is lower for firm $T_1$ than for firm $T_2$. Thus, firm $T_1$ has less incentive to adjust freight rates to have a full load in both directions.

With $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$, we obtain

$$x_{1AB}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{9b}(B - 2\tau_B - 4r_1 + 2r_2), x_{2AB}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{9b}(B - 2\tau_B + 2r_1 - 4r_2),$$

$$x_{1AB}^{C_1} = x_{1AB}^{C_1} + x_{2AB}^{C_1} = \frac{2}{9b}(B - 2\tau_B - r_1 - r_2),$$

$$x_{1BA}^{C_1} = x_{2BA}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{9a}(A - 2\tau_A),$$

$$x_{1BA}^{C_1} = x_{1BA}^{C_1} + x_{2BA}^{C_1} = 2x_{1BA}^{C_1} = \frac{2}{9a}(A - 2\tau_A),$$

$$T_{AB}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{6}(B - 2\tau_B + 2r_1 + 2r_2), T_{BA}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{6}(A - 2\tau_A).$$

The characteristics of this equilibrium are essentially the same as those of type-1 equilibrium with a single carrier. A change in $\tau_B (\tau_A)$ affects only $x_{1AB}$ and $x_{2AB}$ ($x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2BA}$). We have $x_{1AB} > x_{2AB}$ and $x_{1BA} = x_{2BA}$. It should be noted that $x_{1BA} = x_{2BA}$ holds even if $x_{1AB} \neq x_{2AB}$. This is because $T_{BA}$ is independent of $r_1$ and $r_2$. Obviously, the characteristics of type-3 equilibrium are essentially the same as those of type-3 equilibrium with a single carrier.
With \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \), we have

\[
x_{1AB}^{C2} = \frac{1}{9(a + b)} (A + B - 2\tau_A - 2\tau_B - 4r_1 + 2r_2),
\]

\[
x_{2AB}^{C2} = \frac{1}{9(a + b)} (A + B - 2\tau_A - 2\tau_B - 4r_2 + 2r_1),
\]

\[
T_{2AB}^{C2} = \frac{1}{6(a + b)} (4\tau_A - 6a\tau_B - 2b\tau_B + 2br_2 - 2Ab + 3Ba + Bb),
\]

\[
T_{BA}^{C2} = \frac{1}{6(a + b)} (4\tau_B - 2a\tau_A - 6b\tau_A + 2ar_1 + 2ar_2 + Aa + 3Ab - 2Ba).
\]

The characteristics of this equilibrium are basically the same as those of type-2 equilibrium with a single carrier. A change in \( \tau_B \) or \( \tau_A \) equally affects all shipping volumes (i.e., \( x_{1AB}, x_{2AB}, x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2BA} \)).

With \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \), we have

\[
x_{1BA}^{C4} = -\frac{1}{18b(a + b)} (6a\tau_A - 2b\tau_A + 4b\tau_B + 6ar_1 - 4br_2 + 8br_1 + Ab - 3Ba - 2Bb),
\]

\[
x_{1BA}^{C4} = -\frac{1}{18a(a + b)} (4a\tau_A - 2ar_B + 6b\tau_A - 4ar_2 - 2Ar_1 - 2Aa - 3Ab + Ba),
\]

\[
x_{2AB}^{C4} = \frac{1}{9(a + b)} (A + B - 2\tau_A - 2\tau_B - 4r_2 + 2r_1),
\]

\[
x_{AB}^{C4} = -\frac{1}{18b(a + b)} (6a\tau_B + 2b\tau_A + 8b\tau_B + 6ar_1 + 4br_2 - Ab - 3Ba - 4Bb),
\]

\[
x_{BA}^{C4} = \frac{1}{18a(a + b)} (2ar_1 - 2a\tau_B - 6b\tau_A - 8a\tau_A - 4ar_2 + 4Aa + 3Ab + Ba),
\]

\[
T_{AB}^{C4} = \frac{1}{12(a + b)} (2b\tau_B - 6a\tau_B - 4b\tau_B + 6ar_1 + 4br_2 + 4br_1 - Ab + 3Ba + 2Bb),
\]

\[
T_{BA}^{C4} = -\frac{1}{12(a + b)} (4a\tau_A - 2a\tau_B + 6b\tau_A - 4ar_2 + 2ar_1 - 2Aa - 3Ab + Ba).
\]

Although \( x_{AB} > x_{BA} \) holds, the characteristics of this equilibrium are different from those of type-1 equilibrium with a single carrier. In this equilibrium, a change in \( \tau_A \) or \( \tau_B \) affects both \( x_{AB} \) and \( x_{BA} \), which does not occur in type-1 equilibrium with a single carrier. In particular, we should note that a change in \( \tau_A \) or \( \tau_B \) could affect both \( x_{1AB} \) and \( x_{1BA} \) even though \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) holds. The direct effect of an increase in \( \tau_B \) \((\tau_A)\) is to decrease \( x_{1AB} \) \((x_{1BA})\) and \( x_{2AB} \) \((x_{2BA})\). The indirect effect is to decrease \( x_{2BA} \) \((x_{2AB})\) because \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \), which in turn increases \( x_{1BA} \) \((x_{1AB})\), because \( x_{1BA} = x_{1AB} \) and \( x_{2BA} = x_{2AB} \) are strategic substitutes. The decrease in \( x_{2BA} \) \((x_{2AB})\) dominates the increase in \( x_{1BA} \) \((x_{1AB})\) and hence \( x_{BA} \) \((x_{AB})\) falls. We should note that since an increase in \( \tau_B \) \((\tau_A)\) decreases \( x_{BA} \) \((x_{AB})\) as well as \( x_{AB} \) \((x_{BA})\), both the decrease in the profits of firm \( A \) \((\text{firm } B)\) and the increase in the profits of
firm $B$ (firm $A$) are mitigated.

It is straightforward that the characteristics of this equilibrium (i.e., type-4 equilibrium) and those of type-5 equilibrium are similar. Thus, the following proposition is obtained.

**Proposition 14** Suppose $r_1 < r_2$. $x_{AB} > x_{BA}$ holds if $2a(r_1 - 2r_2) \leq \Lambda < -2ar_1$ and $x_{AB} < x_{BA}$ holds if $2br_1 < \Lambda \leq 2b(2r_2 - r_1)$. In these cases, although $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ does not hold, a tariff imposed by either country decreases both $x_{AB}$ and $x_{BA}$. As a result, the protection effect of a tariff is mitigated.

In section 3, we showed that a tariff set by country $B$ (country $A$) could harm firm $B$ (firm $A$) when $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ holds. Here we show that a tariff set by country $B$ (country $A$) even when $x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ does not hold. This is the case in which a tariff leads one of the carriers to exit from the market. To show this, we assume that country $A$ introduces a tariff with $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$, $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$, $f_1 < f_2$ and $\tau_B = 0$. Suppose that a tariff in country $A$ results in $\Pi_T < 0$ and firm $T_2$ exits. Then firm $T_1$ becomes the monopolist with $\tau_A > 0$.

Under free trade, both firms $T_1$ and $T_2$ operate. Thus, the profits of firm $A$ with $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ are given by

$$\Pi_A^{C1} = \frac{4}{81b} (B - r_1 - r_2)^2 + \frac{49A^2}{324a}.$$  

With $\tau_A > 0$, the equilibrium becomes type-1 of our basic model. The profits of firm $A$ with $\tau_A > 0$ are

$$\Pi_A^{\tau1} = \frac{1}{36b} (B - 2r_1)^2 + \frac{1}{144a} (5A + 2\tau_A)^2.$$  

Thus, we have

$$\Pi_A^{C1} - \Pi_A^{\tau1} = -\frac{1}{1296ab} (29bA^2 + 180bA\tau_A - 28aB^2 - 16aBr_1 + 128ab\tau^2 + 36br_A^2 + 80ar_1^2 - 128ar_1r_2 - 64ar_2^2),$$

which is more likely to be positive when $B$ is large relative to $A$ and/or $b$ is small relative to $a$.\textsuperscript{34}

Therefore, we obtain

**Proposition 15** If demand is much larger in country $B$ (country $A$) than in country $A$ (country $B$), then a tariff in country $A$ (country $B$) may lead one of the transport firms to exit and harm firm $A$ (firm $B$).

\textsuperscript{34}This is consistent with $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$. $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$.
7 Conclusion

This paper studied the effects of trade policies given endogenous transport costs. We developed a simple model that captures key stylized facts about international transportation: market power by transport firms and asymmetric transport costs across countries. Transport firms need to commit to a shipping capacity sufficient for a round trip. Given such “backhaul problems,” we demonstrated how the price of shipping from one country to another, as well as the price of the return trip, is determined and explored the effects of tariffs, import quotas and production subsidies.

Tariffs and import quotas, which benefit domestic firms and harm foreign firms in a standard international oligopoly model, can harm domestic firms and benefit foreign firms once transport costs are endogenized. It is also possible that both domestic and foreign firms gain from tariffs and import quotas. Moreover, production subsidies could benefit both domestic and foreign firms. These unconventional results occur because transport firms determine a shipping capacity and manufacturing firms cannot export beyond the shipping capacity.

The effects of tariffs and those of import quotas are similar. However, once we consider firms’ option to conduct FDI, they are no longer similar. A tighter import quota and a higher tariff rate both induce the transport firm to charge lower freight rates. However, because of their differential impacts on the transport firm’s capacity choice, these trade restrictions have different impacts on domestic firms and consumers.

The extensions of our basic model revealed that non-conventional impacts of trade policies also follow in richer contexts. We also obtained additional results in the extensions. In the presence of multiple goods, a tariff affects not only that sector but also other independent sectors. Furthermore, the effects of a tariff depend on whether a full load is realized in both directions. In the presence of multiple carriers, even if the shipping volumes are not balanced between the two directions, a tariff could decrease the shipping volumes of both directions.

In concluding this paper, three final remarks are in order. First, we focused on trade policies on the goods sector. We can easily explore policies on the transport sector. Obviously, a subsidy on shipping capacity encourages trade in goods, but the effect depends on whether a full load is realized in both directions. With a full load in both directions, the subsidy increases the shipping volume in both directions. Without a full load, however, the subsidy increases the shipping volume only in the direction with a full load. If a foreign country will not lower tariffs, the domestic country can increase its exports by providing export subsidies. However, export subsidies are prohibited by the WTO. As long as a full load is realized from the domestic country to the foreign country, the domestic country can increase its exports.
by providing subsidies to carriers. The subsidies may also increase domestic imports (i.e., foreign exports).

Second, we introduced the transport sector into a standard international oligopoly model. Even if the goods sectors are not oligopolistic, the basic feature of our model would not change. That is, if a full load is realized in both directions, domestic import restrictions decrease domestic exports as well as domestic imports. If the goods sectors are perfectly competitive, for example, domestic import restrictions increase the output and the producer surplus of the import sectors and decrease those of the export sectors.

Lastly, to explore the effects of various policies, we constructed a simple international duopoly model with a single carrier and a single good. Then we extended the basic model by introducing multiple carriers and multiple goods. A promising direction for future research is to investigate multiple countries.\(^{35}\)

### Appendix

In this appendix, we show Lemma 1. From (6), we have

\[
T_{AB} = \left(\frac{1}{2}B - \tau_B\right) - \frac{3}{2}b x_{AB} = \Omega_B - \mu_B x_{AB}, T_{BA} = \left(\frac{1}{2}A - \tau_A\right) - \frac{3}{2}a x_{BA} = \Omega_A - \mu_A x_{BA}.
\]

The two transport firms \(T_1\) and \(T_2\) compete in a Cournot fashion with these inverse demands.

There are nine possible combinations: \(x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}\); \(x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}\); \(x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}\); \(x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}\); \(x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}\); \(x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}\). As shown below, however, only five combinations occur in equilibrium.

We start by characterizing each equilibrium. First, suppose that \(x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}\) hold in equilibrium. Then the profits of firms \(T_1\) and \(T_2\) are given by

\[
\Pi_1 = T_{AB} x_{1AB} + T_{BA} x_{1BA} - r_1 x_{1AB} - f_1, \Pi_2 = T_{AB} x_{2AB} + T_{BA} x_{2BA} - r_2 x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]

In equilibrium, we have

\[
x_{1AB}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{3\mu_B} \left(\Omega_B - 2r_1 + r_2\right), x_{2AB} = \frac{1}{3\mu_B} \left(\Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1\right), x_{1BA}^{C_1} = x_{2BA}^{C_1} = \frac{1}{3\mu_A} \Omega_A.
\]

\(^{35}\)See Higashida (2015) for a three-country shipping model with capacity choice by transport firms with market power.
In equilibrium, we have $\Pi_1 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA})x_{1AB} - r_1x_{1AB} - f_1$, $\Pi_2 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA})x_{2AB} - r_2x_{2AB} - f_2$.

In equilibrium, we have

\[
x_{1AB}^{C2} = x_{1BA}^{C2} = \frac{1}{3(\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_1 + r_2),
\]
\[
x_{2AB}^{C2} = x_{2BA}^{C2} = \frac{1}{3(\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B + r_1 - 2r_2).
\]

Third, suppose that $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ hold in equilibrium. Then the profits of firms $T_1$ and $T_2$ are given by

\[
\Pi_1 = T_{AB}x_{1AB} + T_{BA}x_{1BA} - r_1x_{1AB} - f_1, \quad \Pi_2 = T_{AB}x_{2AB} + T_{BA}x_{2BA} - r_2x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]

In equilibrium, we have

\[
x_{1AB}^{C3} = x_{2AB}^{C3} = \frac{1}{3\mu_B} \Omega_B, \quad x_{1BA}^{C3} = \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A - 2r_1 + r_2), \quad x_{2BA}^{C3} = \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A + r_1 - 2r_2).
\]

Fourth, suppose that $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ hold in equilibrium. Then

\[
\Pi_1 = T_{AB}x_{1AB} + T_{BA}x_{1BA} - r_1x_{1AB} - f_1, \quad \Pi_2 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA})x_{2AB} - r_2x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]

In equilibrium, we have

\[
x_{1AB}^{C4} = -\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A \mu_B - 3\Omega_B \mu_A - 2\Omega_B \mu_B + 3\mu_A r_1 - 2\mu_B r_2 + 4\mu_B r_1),
\]
\[
x_{1BA}^{C4} = \frac{1}{6\mu_A (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (2\Omega_A \mu_A + 3\Omega_B \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + 2\mu_A r_2 - \mu_A r_1),
\]
\[
x_{2AB}^{C4} = x_{2BA}^{C4} = \frac{1}{3(\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1).
\]

Fifth, suppose that $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ hold in equilibrium. Then

\[
\Pi_1 = T_{AB}x_{1AB} + T_{BA}x_{1BA} - r_1x_{1AB} - f_1, \quad \Pi_2 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA})x_{2AB} - r_2x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]
In equilibrium, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
x_{1AB}^C &= \frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (3\Omega_B\mu_A - \Omega_A\mu_B + 2\Omega_B\mu_B - \mu_B r_1 + 2\mu_B r_2), \\
\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_B\mu_B - 3\Omega_A\mu_B - 2\Omega_A\mu_B + 4\mu_A r_1 - 2\mu_A r_2 + 3\mu_B r_2), \\
x_{2AB}^C &= x_{2BA} = \frac{1}{3 (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1). 
\end{align*}
\]

Sixth, suppose that \(x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}\) hold in equilibrium. Then

\[
\Pi_1 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA}) x_{1AB} - r_1 x_{1AB} - f_1, \quad \Pi_2 = T_{AB} x_{2AB} + T_{BA} x_{2BA} - r_2 x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]

In equilibrium, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
x_{1AB}^C &= x_{1BA}^C = \frac{1}{3 (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_1 + r_2), \\
\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (2\Omega_A\mu_A + 3\Omega_B\mu_B - \Omega_B\mu_B + 2\mu_A r_1 - \mu_A r_2). \\
x_{2AB}^C &= x_{2BA}^C = \frac{1}{3 (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1). 
\end{align*}
\]

Seventh, suppose that \(x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}\) hold in equilibrium. Then

\[
\Pi_1 = (T_{AB} + T_{BA}) x_{1AB} - r_1 x_{1AB} - f_1, \quad \Pi_2 = T_{AB} x_{2AB} + T_{BA} x_{2BA} - r_2 x_{2AB} - f_2.
\]

In equilibrium, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
x_{1AB}^C &= x_{1BA}^C = \frac{1}{3 (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A + \Omega_B - 2r_1 + r_2), \\
\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (3\Omega_B\mu_A - \Omega_A\mu_B + 2\Omega_B\mu_B + 2\mu_B r_1 - \mu_B r_2). \\
x_{2AB}^C &= x_{2BA}^C = \frac{1}{3 (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_B\mu_B - 3\Omega_A\mu_B + 2\Omega_A\mu_B - 2\mu_A r_1 + 4\mu_A r_2 + 3\mu_B r_2). 
\end{align*}
\]

It should be pointed out that the combination of \(x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}\) and \(x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}\) never arises in equilibrium. To show this, suppose in contradiction that the combination arises in equilibrium. Then we should have

\[
\begin{align*}
x_{1AB} &= \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B - 2r_1), \quad x_{2AB} = \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B + r_1), \\
x_{1BA} &= \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A + r_2), \quad x_{2BA} = \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A - 2r_2).
\end{align*}
\]

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Thus, the condition under which \( x_{1AB} - x_{1BA} = -\frac{1}{3\rho_A B} (\Omega_A B - \Omega_B A + 2\mu_A r_1 + \mu_B r_2) > 0 \), which implies \( \Omega_A B < \Omega_B A \). However, we also need \( x_{2BA} - x_{2AB} = -\frac{1}{3\rho_A B} (\Omega_B A - \Omega_A B - \mu_A r_1 + 2\mu_B r_2) > 0 \), which implies \( \Omega_A B > \Omega_B A \). Thus, the combination of \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) never arises. Similarly, the combination of \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) never arises.

We next examine the conditions under which the above equilibria are actually realized as Nash equilibria.

The condition under which \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) is that \( x_{2AB} = \frac{1}{3\rho_B} (\Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1) > x_{2BA} = \frac{1}{3\rho_A} (\Omega_A) \), which becomes \( \Omega_A B - \Omega_B A - \mu_A r_1 + 2\mu_B r_2 < 0 \). This condition is equivalent to \( \Lambda (\equiv 2a \tau_B - 2b \tau_A + Ab - Ba) < 2a(r_1 - 2r_2) \). Now the condition under which \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) arises given \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) is that \( x_{1AB} = \frac{1}{3\rho_B} (\Omega_B - 2r_1 + 2r_2) > x_{1BA} = \frac{1}{3\rho_A} (\Omega_A) \), which becomes \( \Omega_A B - \Omega_B A + 2\mu_A r_1 - \mu_B r_2 < 0 \). This condition is equivalent to \( \Lambda < 2a(r_2 - 2r_1) \). Since \( 2a(r_1 - 2r_2) < 2a(r_2 - 2r_1) \) with \( r_1 < r_2 \), the combination of \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) and \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) arises as a Nash equilibrium if \( \Lambda < 2a(r_1 - 2r_2) \).

The condition under which \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) is that neither \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) nor \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) holds given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \). Suppose \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \). Then

\[
x_{2AB} = -\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A B - 3\Omega_B A - 2\Omega_B B + 3\mu_A r_2 - 2\mu_B r_1 + 4\mu_B r_2)
\]

\[
> x_{2BA} = -\frac{1}{6\mu_A (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_B A - 3\Omega_A B - 2\Omega_A A - 2\mu_A r_1 + 4\mu_A r_2 + 3\mu_B r_2)
\]

Thus, the condition under which \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) does not hold given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) is \( x_{2AB} - x_{2BA} \leq 0 \), i.e., \( \Lambda \geq -2ar_2 \). Suppose \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \). Then

\[
x_{2AB} = \frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (3\Omega_B A - \Omega_A B + 2\Omega_B B + 2\mu_B r_1 - \mu_B r_2)
\]

\[
< x_{2BA} = \frac{1}{6\mu_A (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (2\Omega_A A + 3\Omega_B B - \Omega_A B + 2\mu_A r_1 - \mu_B r_2)
\]

Thus, the condition under which \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) does not hold given \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) is \( x_{2AB} - x_{2BA} \geq 0 \), i.e., \( \Lambda \leq 2br_2 \). The condition under which \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) arises given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) is that neither \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) nor \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) holds given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \). Suppose \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \). Then

\[
x_{1AB} = -\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A B - 3\Omega_B A - 2\Omega_B B + 3\mu_A r_1 - 2\mu_B r_2 + 4\mu_B r_1)
\]
Thus, the condition under which \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) does not hold given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) is \( x_{1AB} \leq x_{1BA} \), i.e., \( \Lambda \geq -2ar_1 \). Suppose \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \). Then

\[
x_{1BA} \left( = \frac{1}{6\mu_A (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (2\Omega_A \mu_A + 3\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + 2\mu_A r_2 - \mu_A r_1) \right).
\]

Thus, the condition under which \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) does not hold given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) is \( x_{1AB} \geq x_{1BA} \), i.e., \( \Lambda \leq 2br_1 \). Therefore, the combination of \( x_{1AB} = x_{1BA} \) and \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) arises as a Nash equilibrium if \(-2ar_1 < \Lambda < 2br_1\).

The condition under which \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) is that \( x_{2AB} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B)) < x_{2BA} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A + r_1 - 2r_2)) \), which becomes \( \Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + \mu_B r_1 - 2\mu_B r_2 > 0 \). This condition is equivalent to \( \Lambda > 2b(2r_1 - r_2) \). Now the condition under which \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) arises given \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) is that \( x_{1AB} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B) > x_{1BA} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A - 2r_1 + r_2)) \), which becomes \( (\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A - 2\mu_B r_1 + \mu_B r_2) > 0 \). This condition is equivalent to \( \Lambda > 2b(2r_1 - 2r_2) \). Since \( 2b(2r_2 - r_1) > 2b(2r_1 - 2r_2) \) with \( r_1 < r_2 \), the combination of \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) and \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) arises as a Nash equilibrium if \( \Lambda > 2b(2r_2 - r_1) \).

The condition under which \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) is that neither \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) nor \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) holds given \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \). Suppose \( x_{2AB} > x_{2BA} \) holds given \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \). Then we have \( x_{2AB} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1)) > x_{2BA} (= \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A)) \). As pointed out above, the combination of \( x_{2AB} < x_{2BA} \) and \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) never occurs. Thus, the condition under which \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) is that \( \frac{1}{3\mu_B} (\Omega_B - 2r_2 + r_1) < \frac{1}{3\mu_A} (\Omega_A) \) holds, that is, \( (\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A - \mu_A r_1 + 2\mu_B r_2) > 0 \) holds. Thus, the condition becomes \( 2a(r_1 - 2r_2) < \Lambda \). Now the condition under which \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) arises given \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) is that

\[
x_{1AB} \left( = -\frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} (\Omega_A \mu_B - 3\Omega_B \mu_A - 2\Omega_B \mu_B + 3\mu_A r_1 - 2\mu_B r_2 + 4\mu_B r_1) \right).
\]

which becomes \( (\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + \mu_A r_1) < 0 \). This condition is equivalent to \( \Lambda < -2ar_1 \). Thus, the combination of \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) and \( x_{1AB} > x_{1BA} \) arises as a Nash equilibrium if \( 2a(r_1 - 2r_2) < \Lambda < -2ar_1 \).

The condition under which \( x_{2AB} = x_{2BA} \) arises given \( x_{1AB} < x_{1BA} \) is that neither \( x_{2AB} >
$x_{2BA}$ nor $x_{2AB}$ holds given $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$. The combination of $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ and $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ never occurs. Suppose that $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ holds given $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$. Then we have $x_{2AB} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \Omega_B \right) < x_{2BA} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \left( \Omega_A - 2r_2 + r_1 \right) \right)$. Thus, the condition under which $x_{2BA} = x_{2BA}$ arises given $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ is that $\frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \Omega_B > \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \left( \Omega_A - 2r_2 + r_1 \right)$ holds, that is, $(\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + 2 \mu_B r_2 - \mu_B r_1) < 0$ holds. Thus, the condition becomes $\Lambda < 2b(2r_2 - r_1)$.

Now the condition under which $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ arises given $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ is that $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$.

\[
x_{1BA} \left(= \frac{1}{6 \mu_B \left( \mu_A + \mu_B \right)} \left(3 \Omega_B \mu_A - \Omega_A \mu_B + 2 \Omega_B \mu_B - \mu_B r_1 + 2 \mu_B r_2 \right) \right)
\]
\[
< x_{1BA} \left(= -\frac{1}{6 \mu_A \left( \mu_A + \mu_B \right)} \left(\Omega_B \mu_A - 3 \Omega_A \mu_B - 2 \Omega_A \mu_A + 4 \mu_A r_1 - 2 \mu_A r_2 + 3 \mu_B r_1 \right) \right),
\]

which becomes $(\Omega_B \mu_A - \Omega_A \mu_B + \mu_B r_1) < 0$. This condition is equivalent to $\Lambda > 2b r_1$.

Thus, the combination of $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ and $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ arises as a Nash equilibrium if $2b r_1 < \Lambda < 2b(2r_2 - r_1)$. The condition under which $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ arises given $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ is that neither $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ nor $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ holds given $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$. Suppose $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ holds given $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$. Then we have $x_{1AB} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \left( \Omega_B - 2r_1 + r_2 \right) \right) > x_{1BA} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \Omega_A \right)$. The combination of $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ never occurs. Thus, the condition under which $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ arises given $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ is that $\frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \Omega_B < \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \left( \Omega_A - 2r_1 + r_2 \right)$ holds, that is, $(\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A - \mu_A r_2 + 2 \mu_A r_1) < 0$ holds. Thus, the condition becomes $2a(r_2 - 2r_1) < \Lambda$. Now the condition under which $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ arises given $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ is that $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$.

\[
x_{2AB} \left(= -\frac{1}{6 \mu_B \left( \mu_A + \mu_B \right)} \left(\Omega_A \mu_B - 3 \Omega_B \mu_A - 2 \Omega_B \mu_B + 3 \mu_A r_2 - 2 \mu_B r_1 + 4 \mu_B r_2 \right) \right)
\]
\[
< x_{2BA} \left(= \frac{1}{6 \mu_A \left( \mu_A + \mu_B \right)} \left(2 \Omega_A \mu_A + 3 \Omega_B \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + 2 \mu_A r_1 - \mu_A r_2 \right) \right),
\]

which becomes $(\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A + \mu_A r_2) < 0$. This condition is equivalent to $\Lambda < -2a r_2$.

Since $-2a r_2 < 2a(r_2 - 2r_1)$ with $r_1 < r_2$, the combination of $x_{2AB} = x_{2BA}$ and $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ never arises as a Nash equilibrium.

The condition under which $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ arises given $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ is that neither $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ nor $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ holds given $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$. The combination of $x_{1AB} > x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ never occurs. Suppose $x_{1AB} < x_{1BA}$ holds given $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$. Then we have $x_{1AB} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \Omega_B \right) < x_{1BA} \left(= \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \left( \Omega_A - 2r_1 + r_2 \right) \right)$. Thus, the condition under which $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ arises given $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ is that $\frac{1}{3 \sigma_B} \Omega_B > \frac{1}{3 \sigma_A} \left( \Omega_A - 2r_1 + r_2 \right)$ holds, that is, $(\Omega_A \mu_B - \Omega_B \mu_A - 2 \mu_B r_1 + \mu_B r_2) < 0$ holds. Thus, the condition becomes $\Lambda < 2b(2r_1 - r_2)$.  

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Now the condition under which $x_{2AB} < x_{2BA}$ arises given $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ is that

$$x_{2AB} \left( = \frac{1}{6\mu_B (\mu_A + \mu_B)} \left( 3\Omega_B \mu_A - \Omega_A \mu_B + 2\Omega_B \mu_B + 2\mu_B r_1 - \mu_B r_2 \right) \right)$$

$$< x_{2BA} \left( = -\frac{1}{6\mu_A (\mu_A + \mu_B)} \left( \Omega_B \mu_A - 3\Omega_A \mu_B - 2\Omega_A \mu_A - 2\mu_A r_1 + 4\mu_A r_2 + 3\mu_B r_2 \right) \right),$$

which becomes $(\Omega_B \mu_A - \Omega_A \mu_B + \mu_B r_2) < 0$. This condition is equivalent to $\Lambda > 2b r_2$. Since $2b (2r_1 - r_2) < 2b r_2$ with $r_1 < r_2$, the combination of $x_{1AB} = x_{1BA}$ and $x_{2AB} > x_{2BA}$ never arises as a Nash equilibrium.

References


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($x_{AB} > x_{BA}$ with free trade)
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\[ \tau_B \]

$A'$

$B'$

Type 2B

Type 3B

\[ (A+B-2r_T)/6(a+b) \]

\[ (A-2r_T)/6a \]

\[ (B-a-Ab+2br_T)/2a \]

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$x_{AB}, x_{BA}$

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($x_{AB} = x_{BA}$ with free trade)
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