

Exploring green technologies through patent data

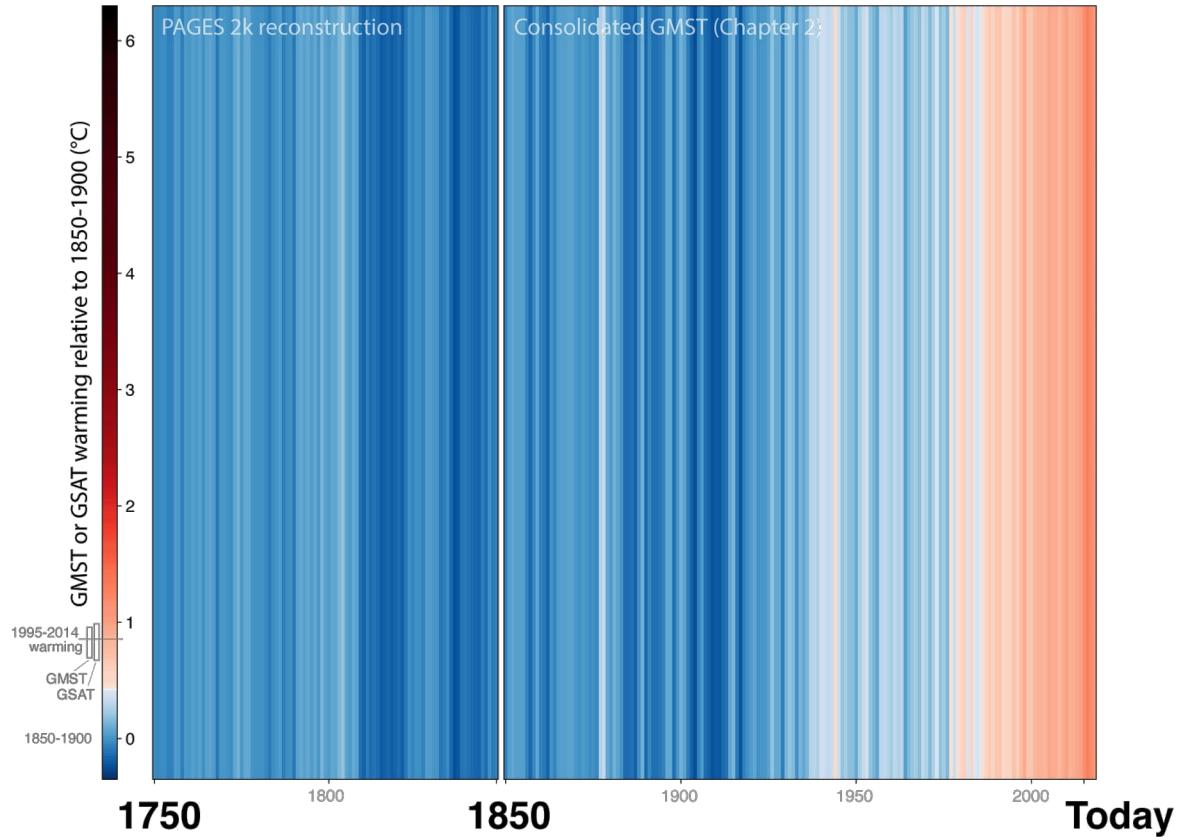
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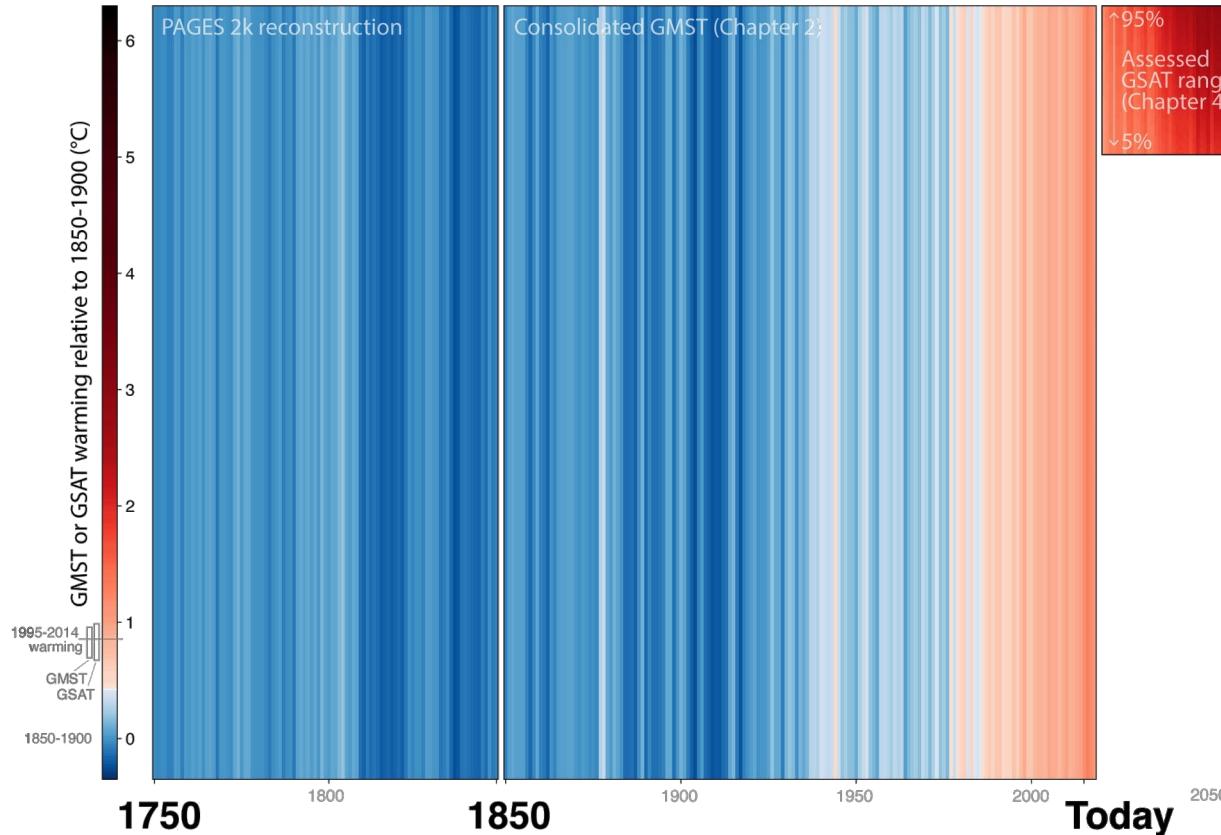
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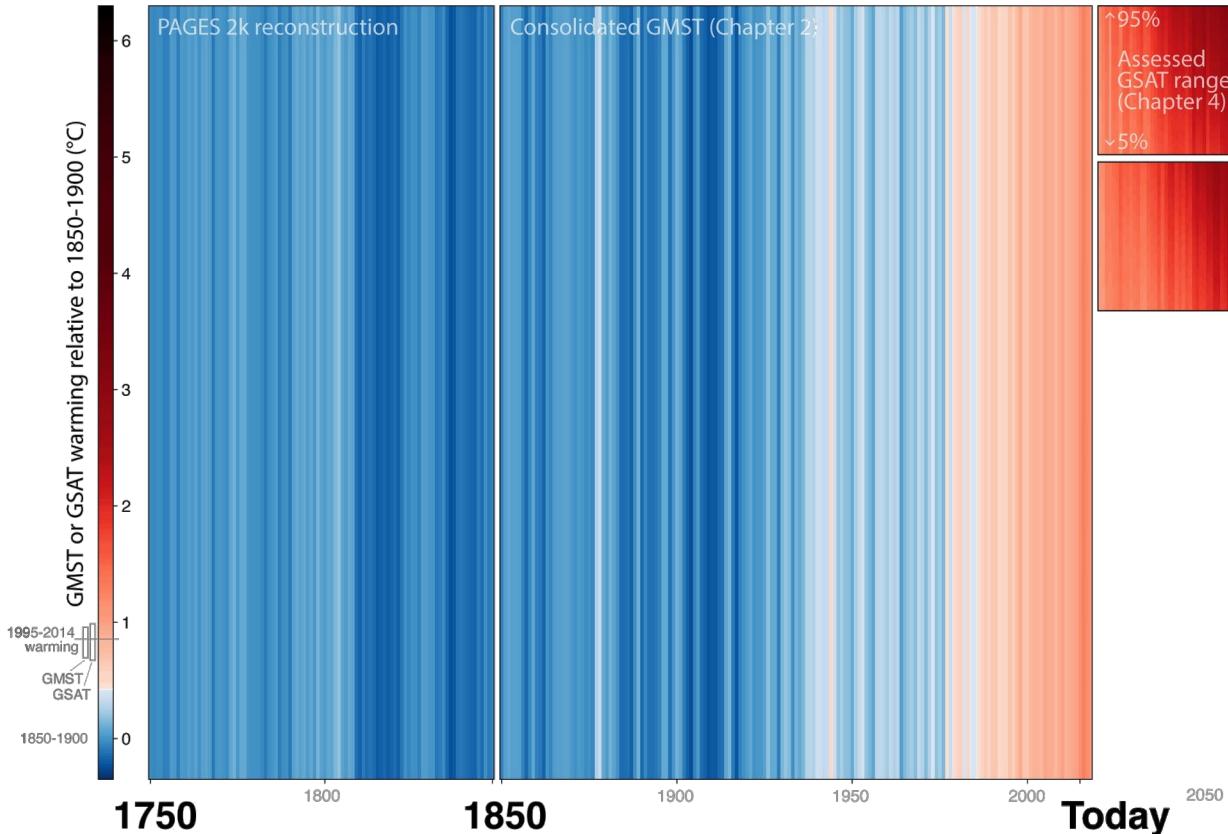
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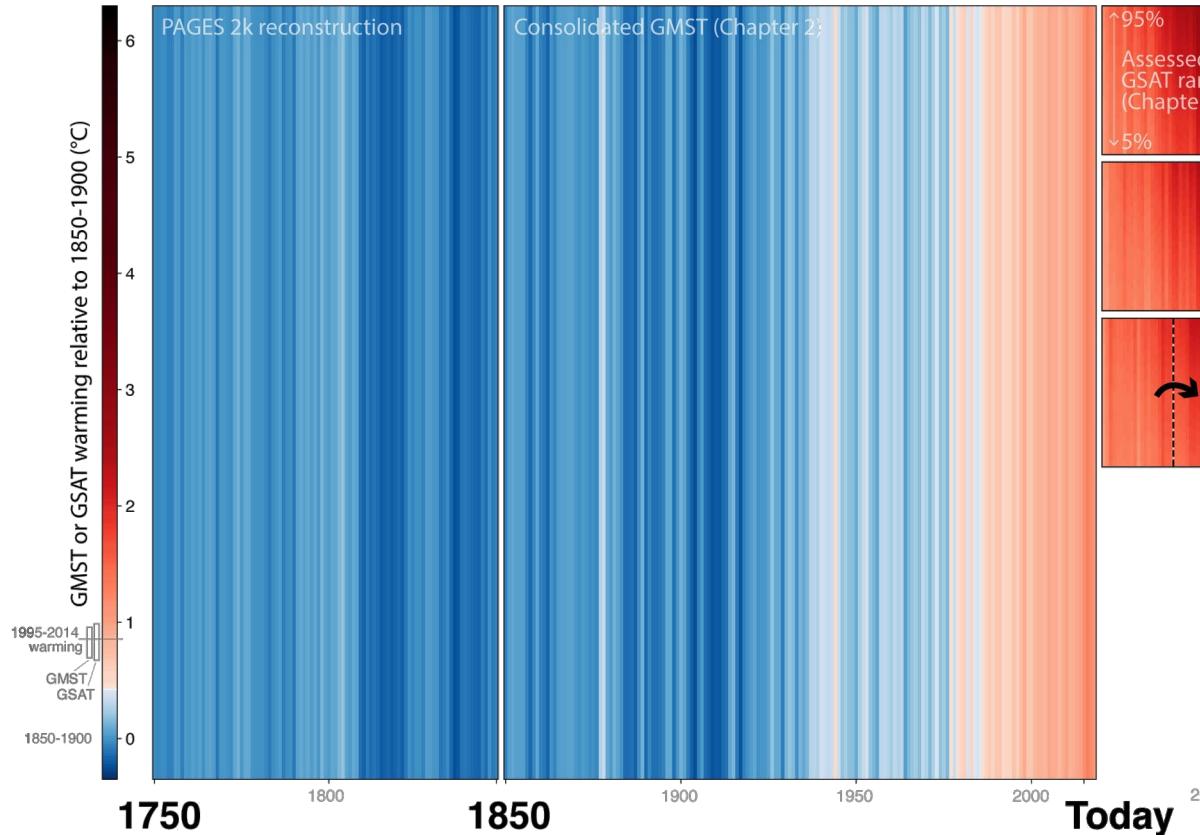
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Peaking
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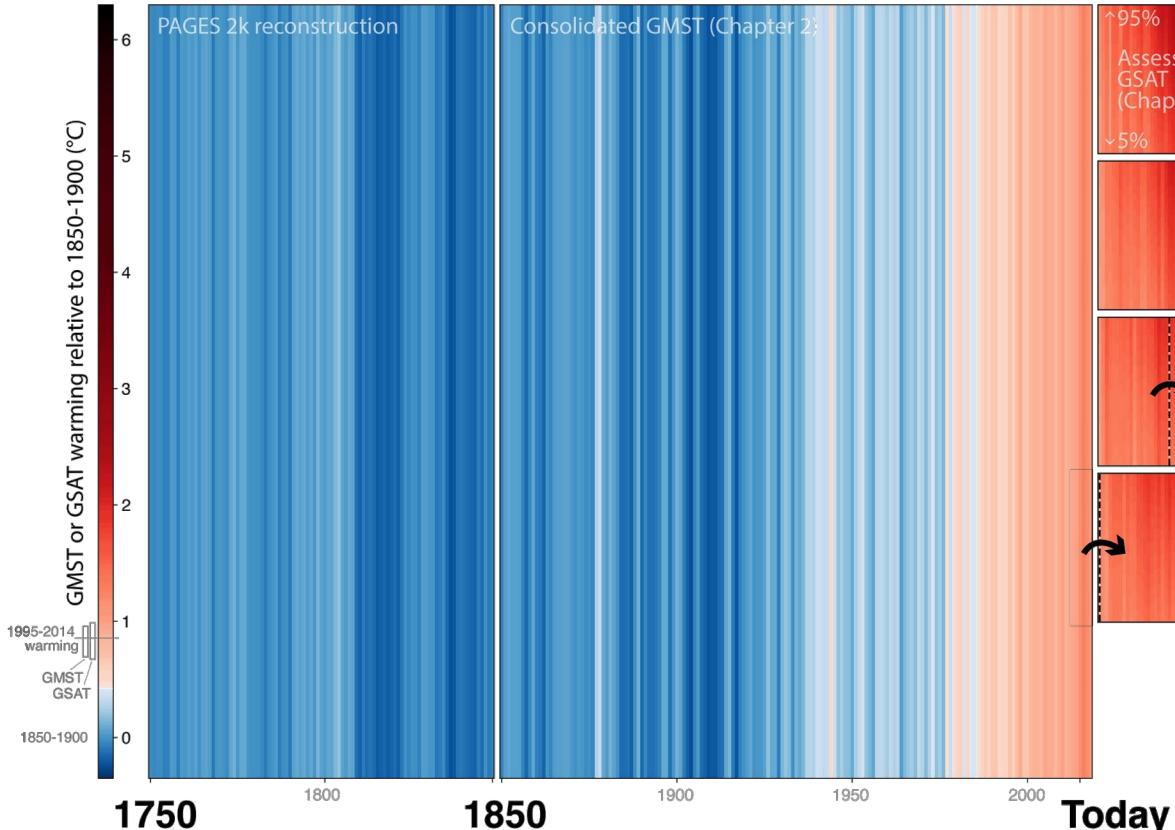
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"Regional rivalry"
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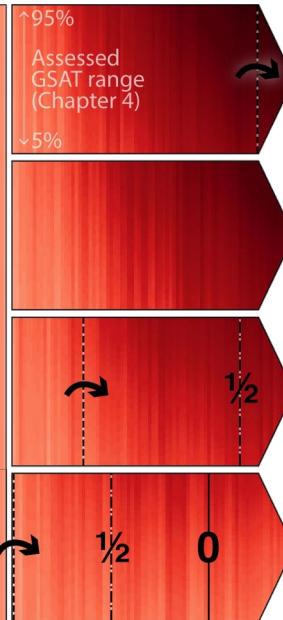
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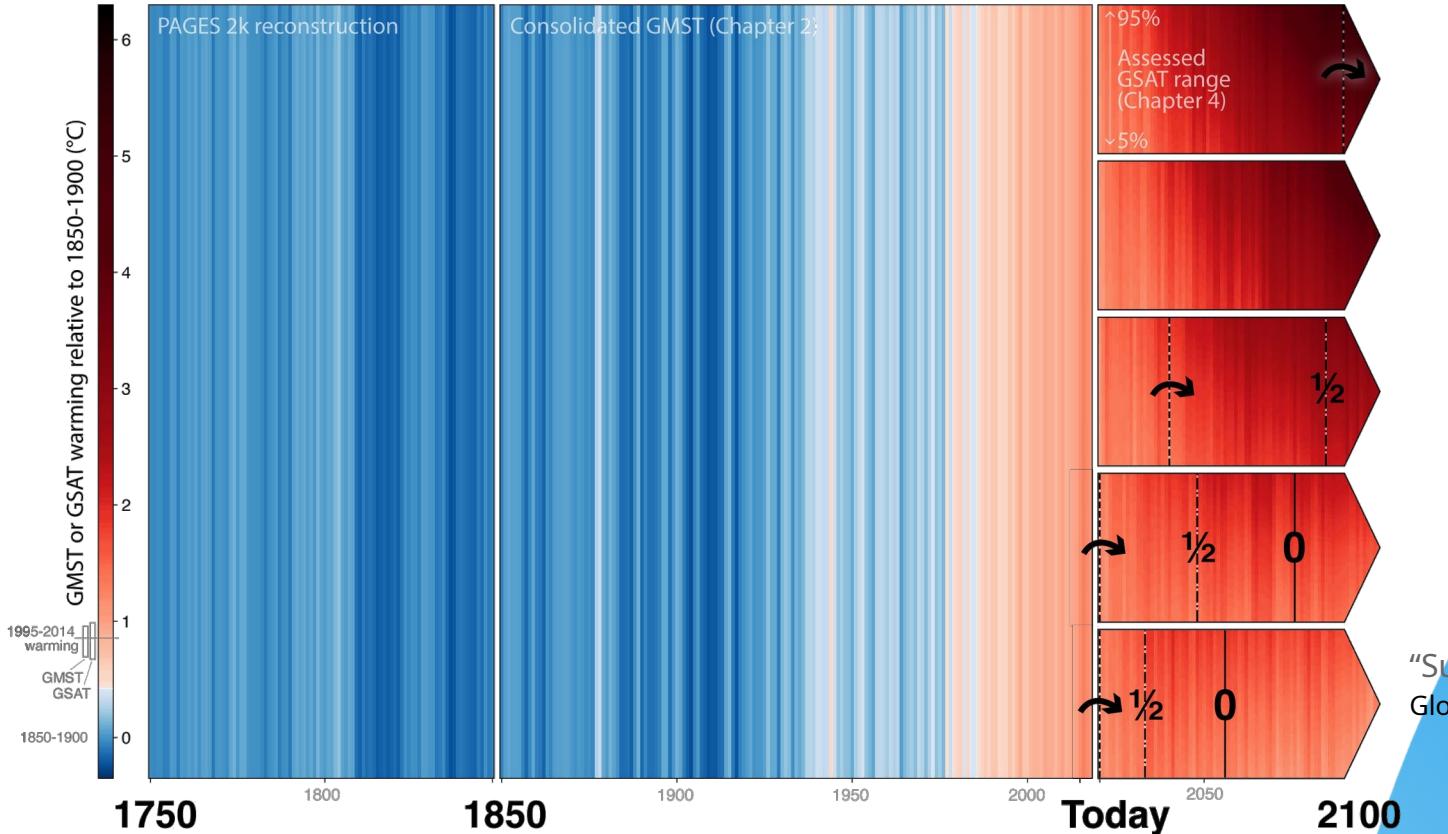


"Middle of the road"

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in Spain - 2050: $+2.3^{\circ}\text{C}$, 2100: $+2^{\circ}\text{C}$

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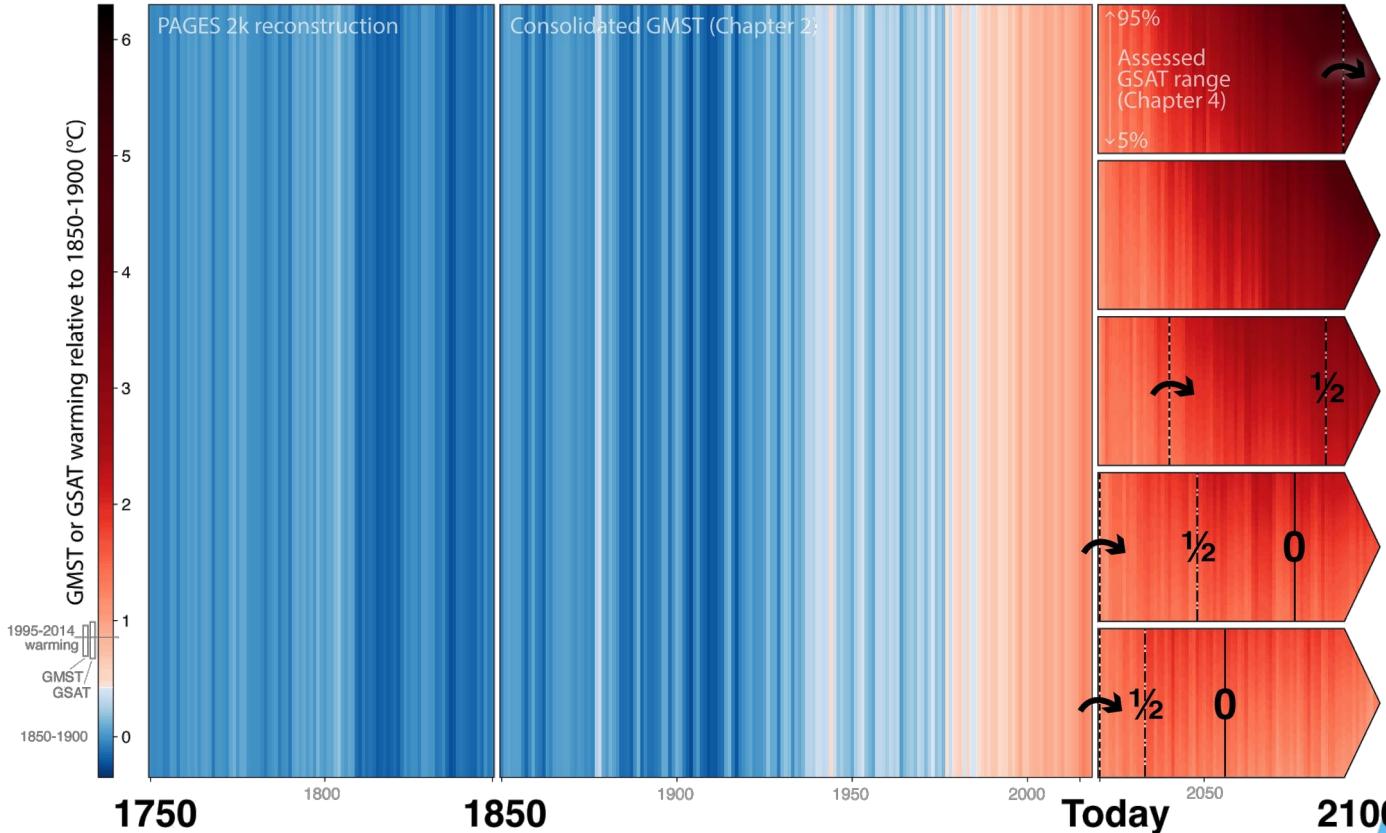
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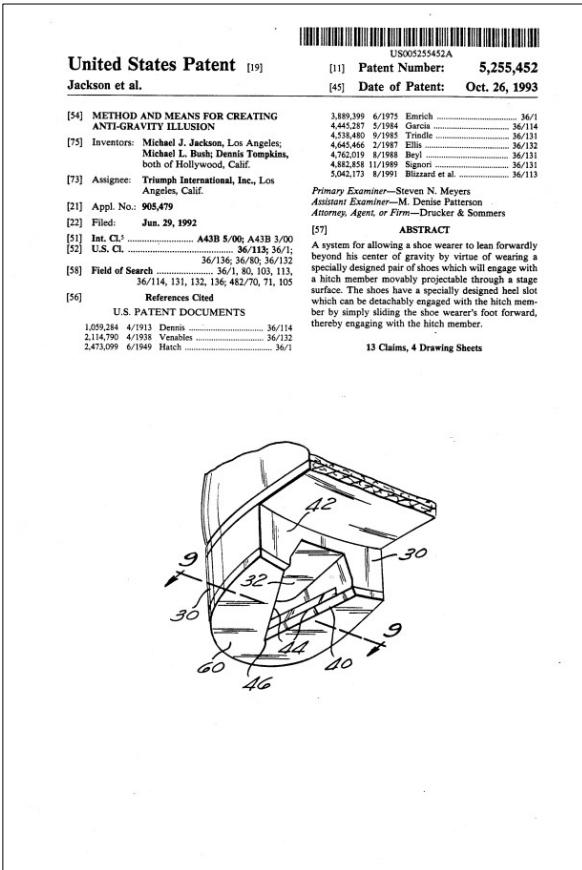


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Green technologies
are required to
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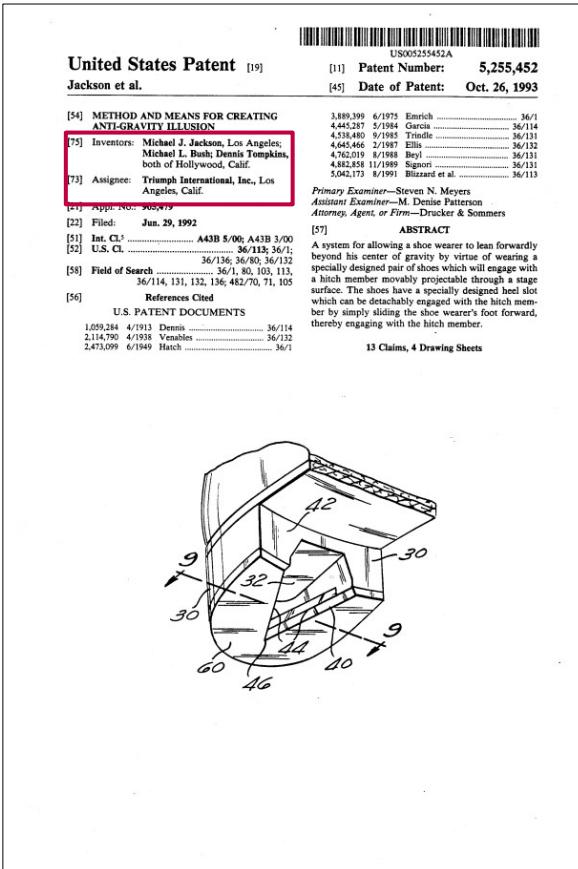
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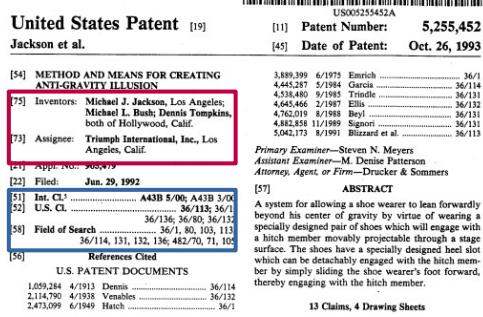
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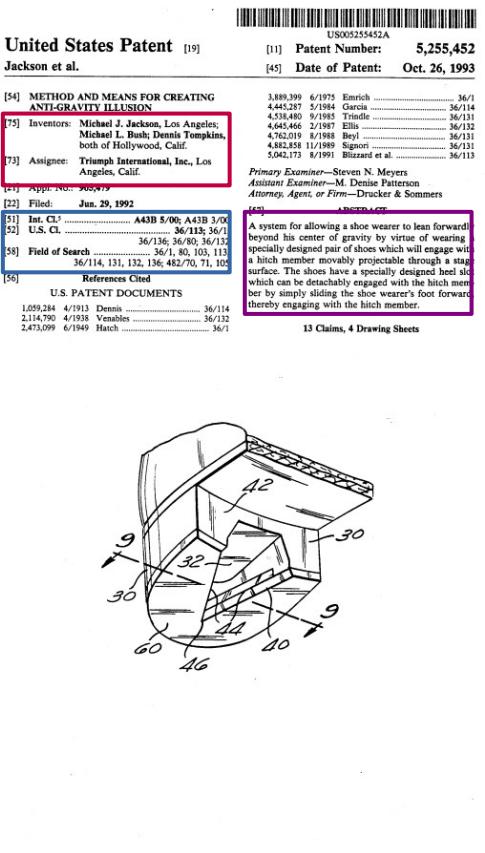
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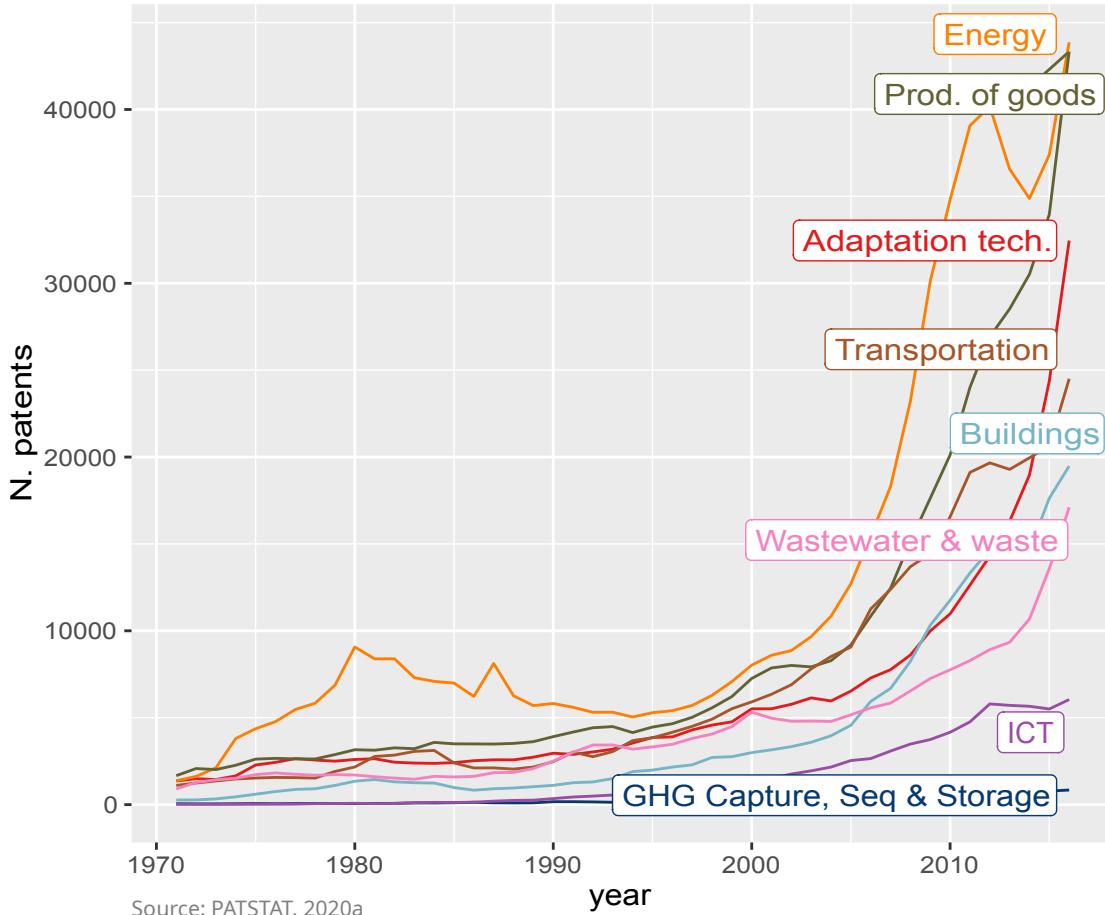
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 - Textual information (title and description)

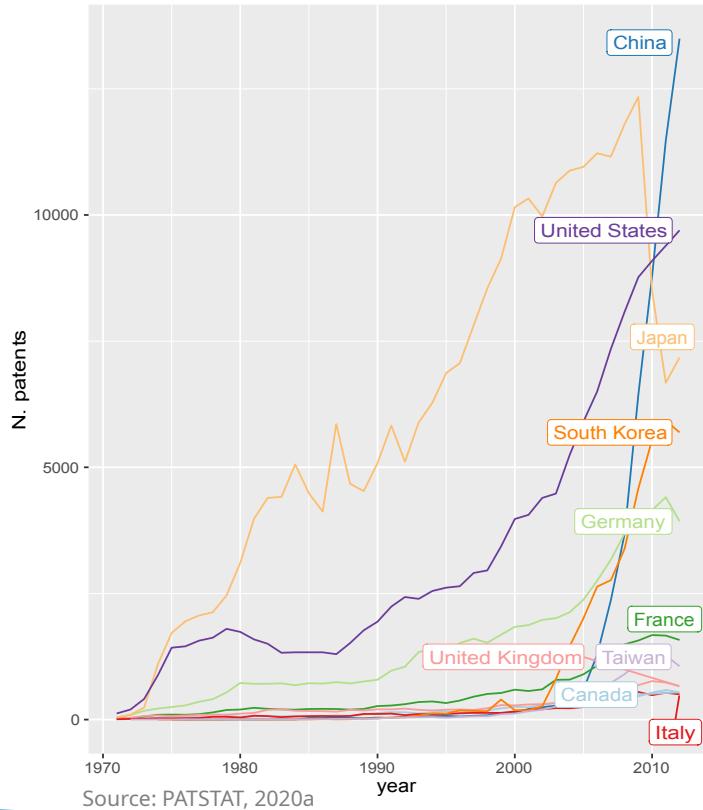
Evolution of green technologies



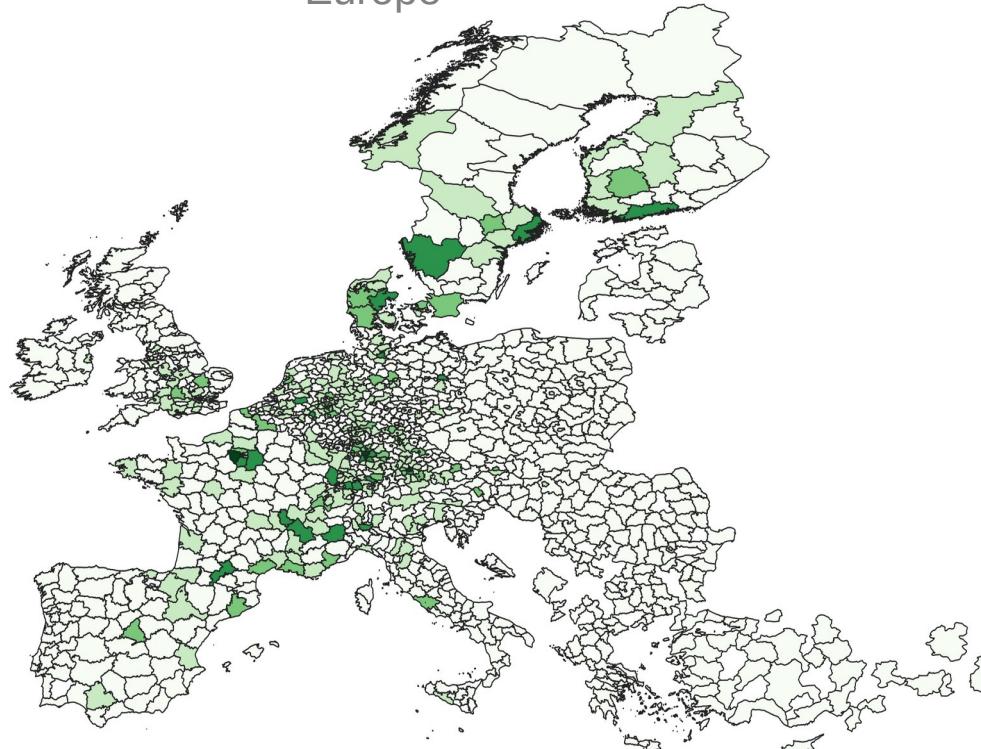
- Green technologies are aiming at **reducing** (mitigating) emissions or **adapting** to climate change.
- 8 groups
 - **Adaptation tech.**
 - Mitigation tech. in 6 different sectors (**Energy**, Prod. of goods, **Transport**, **Buildings**, **Waste**, **ICT**)
 - Capture, Sequestration & Storage of greenhouse gases

Where developments take place

Worldwide (top 10 countries)

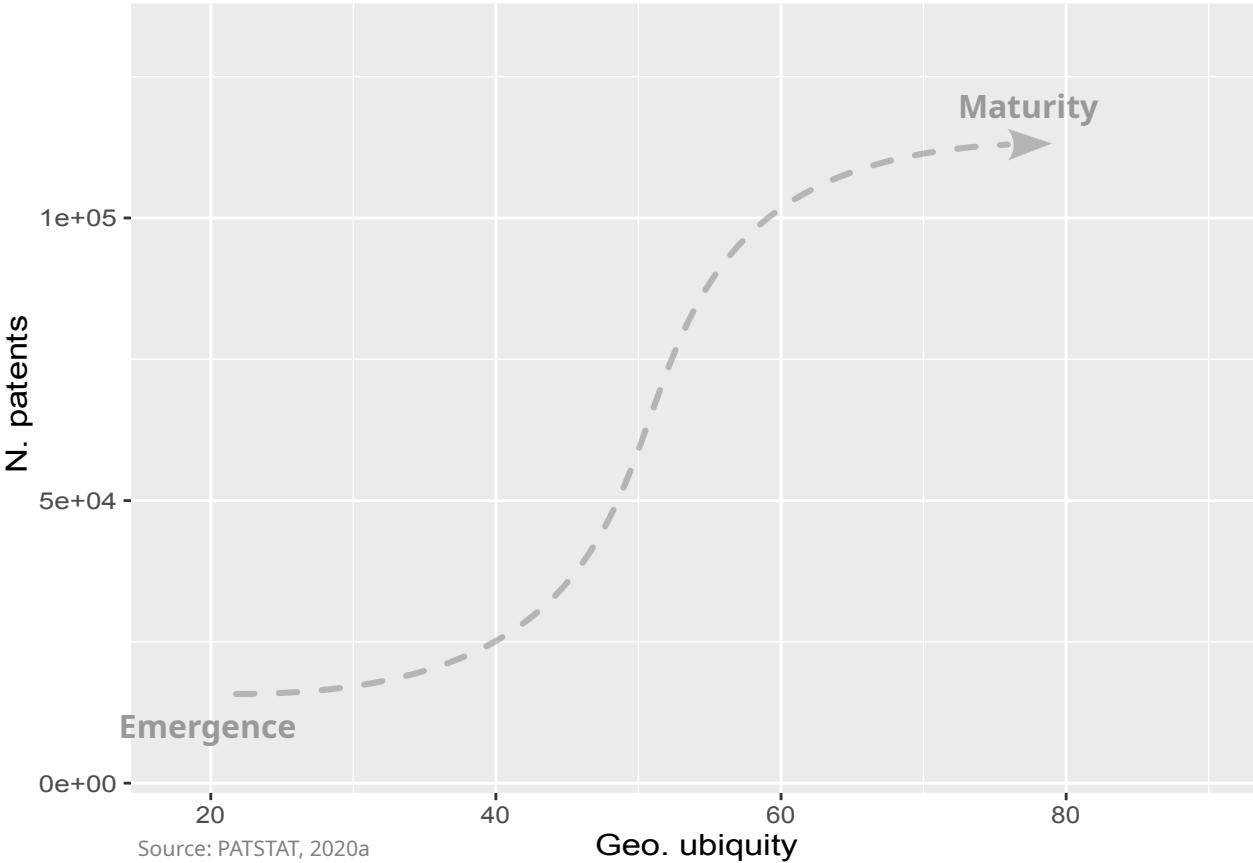


Europe



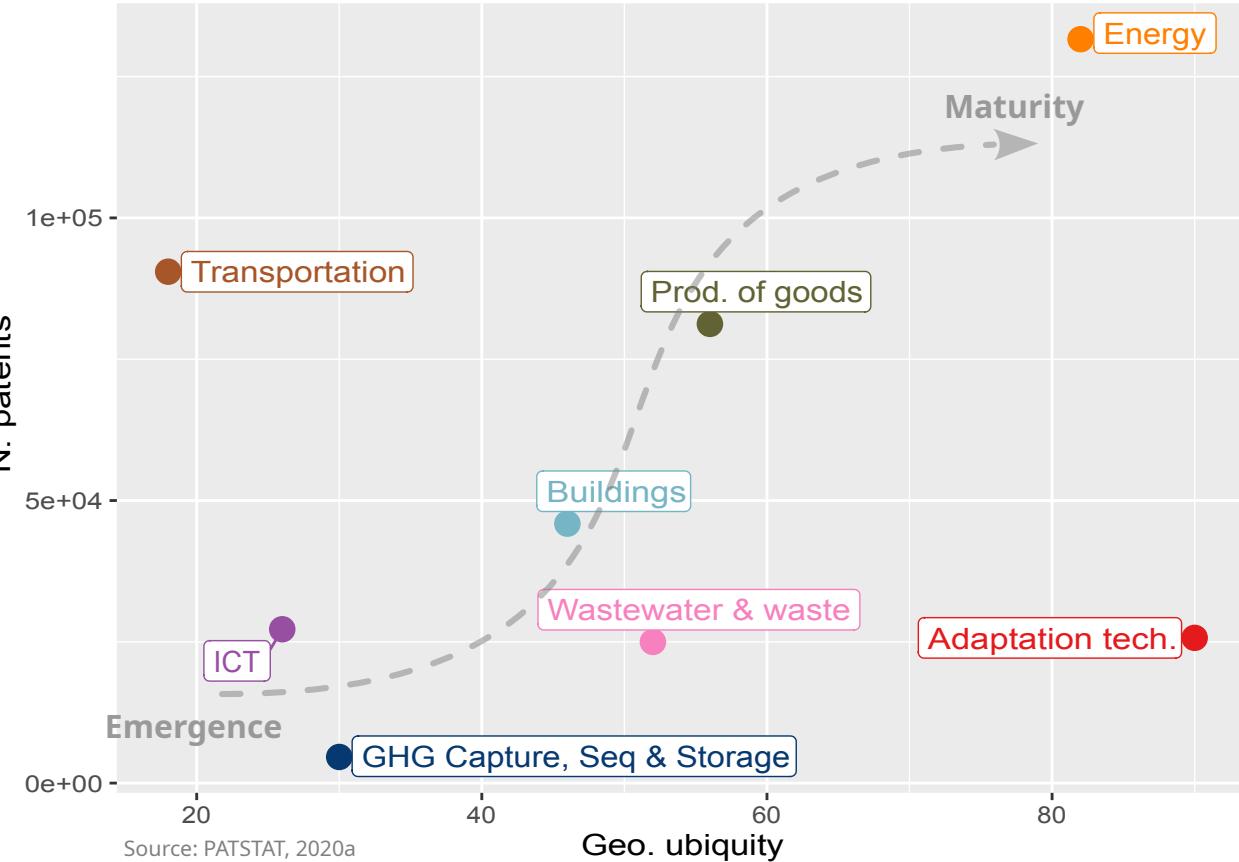
Source: PATSTAT, 2020a & EUROSTAT, 2016

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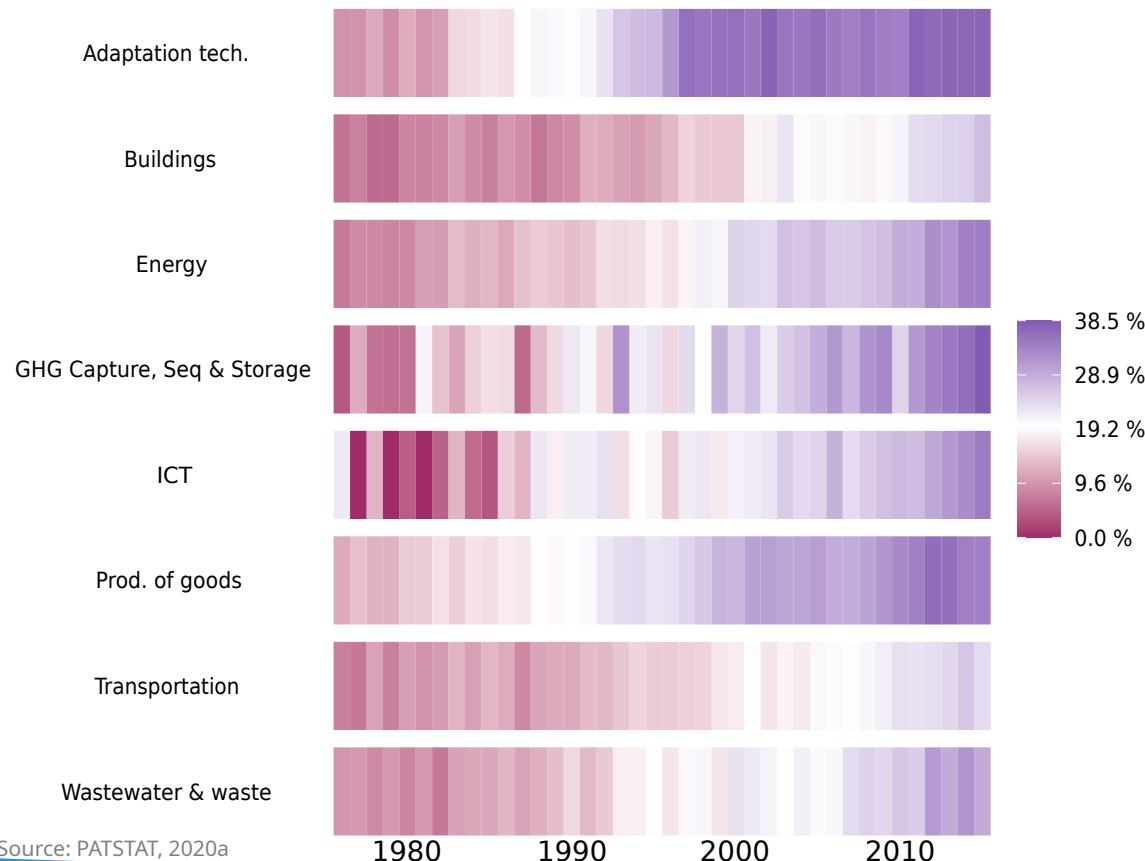
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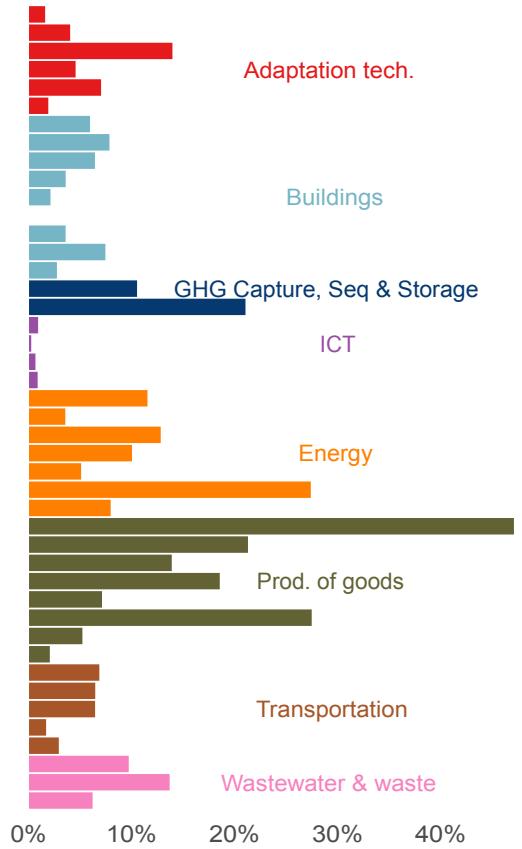
Share of patents with at least one woman among inventors



- Inventors names → detection of gender
- Participation of woman in green invention is increasing over time
- Important disparities among technologies

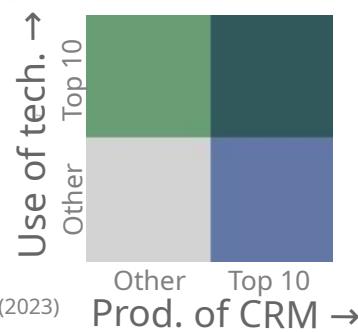
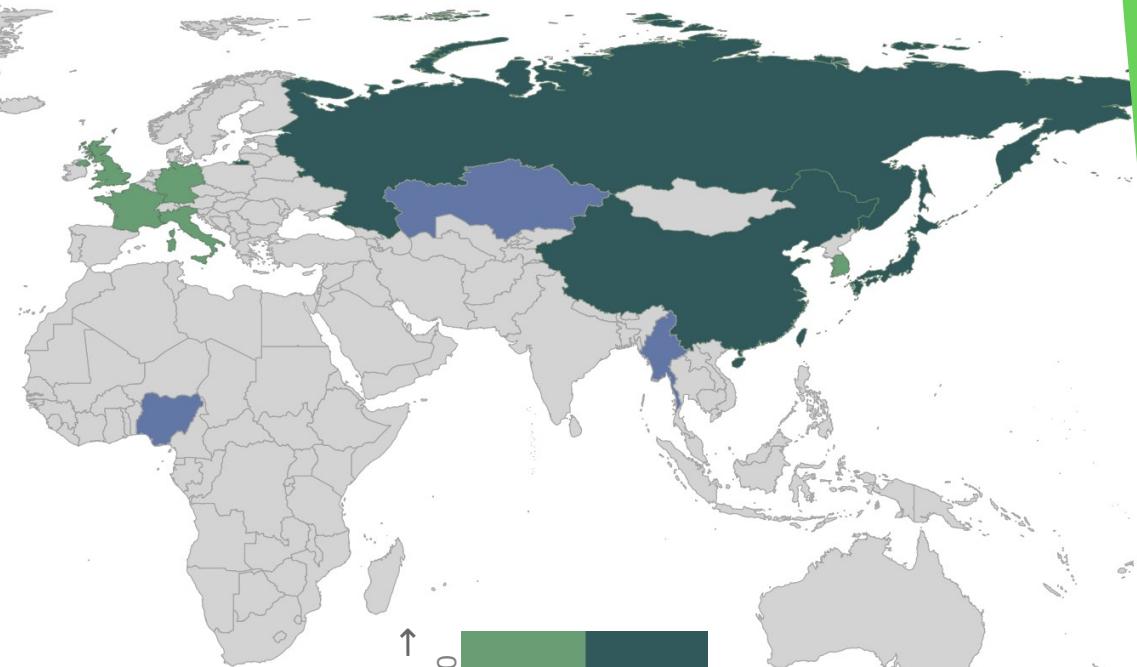
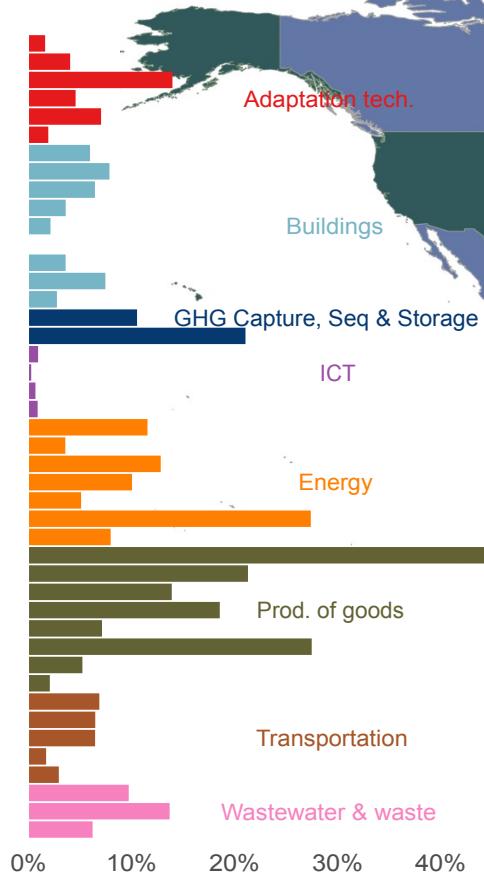
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