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## **ABSTRACT**

### **EMPIRICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS, GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION FOR DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, and EFFECT of THE KYOTO PROTOCOL ON DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

In this study, the relationship between income and environmental degradation is discussed. For developing countries, which are Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia and Nigeria, environmental Kuznets curve hypothesis is tested and rejected for all developing countries for the period between 1971 and 2014. For developed countries, which are Austria, Belgium, Sweden, Denmark, Spain and UK, environmental Kuznets curve hypothesis is tested and rejected for all developed countries for the period between 1960 and 2014. Relationship between income and environmental Kuznets curve is examined for developed and developing countries by ARDL model, NARDL model, bootstrap ARDL model and Johansen Cointegration tests. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is also tested besides environmental Kuznets curve for New Zealand and Finland by replacing CO<sub>2</sub> with coal consumption as dependent variable. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed for New Zealand and Finland for the period 1980 and 2015, and 1980 and 2013 respectively. Existence of coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve indicates the success of the relevant countries' policies for climate change. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is investigated by ARDL and bootstrap ARDL models.

Kyoto Protocol's effects for developing countries and developed countries are analyzed for the period between 1980 and 2014, and 1971 and 2014 respectively. Since no significant relationship between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub> is found for developed and developing countries in the analysis, it is concluded that Kyoto Protocol did not have a significant effect on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the relevant countries in the study.

**Keywords:** Environmental Kuznets curve, Developing countries, Developed countries, Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve, Kyoto protocol



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Bu çalışmada, kişi başına düşen milli gelir ile çevre kirliliği arasındaki ilişki incelenmiştir. Gelişmekte olan ülkeler için, Arjantin, Mısır, Gana, İran, Kenya, Malezya ve Nijerya, çevresel Kuznets eğrisi test edilmiş ve tüm bu gelişmekte olan ülkeler için 1971 ve 2014 arasını kapsayan zaman dilimi için çevresel Kuznets eğrisi hipotezi reddedilmiştir. Gelişmiş olan ülkeler için, Avusturya, Belçika, İsveç, Danimarka, İspanya ve İngiltere, çevresel Kuznets eğrisi test edilmiş ve tüm bu gelişmiş olan ülkeler için 1960 and 2014 arasını kapsayan zaman dilimi için çevresel Kuznets eğrisi hipotezi reddedilmiştir. Gelişmiş ve gelişmekte olan ülkeler için kişi başına düşen milli gelir ve çevre kirliliği arasındaki ilişki ARDL, NARDL, bootstrap ARDL modelleri ve Johansen eşbütünleşme testleri ile incelenmiştir. Kömür tüketimi çevresel Kuznets eğrisi, bu çalışmada çevresel Kuznets eğrisinin yanında, Yeni Zelanda ve Finlandiya için test edilmiştir kömür tüketiminin karbon emisyonunun bağımlı değişken olarak yerini alması ile. Kömür tüketimi çevresel Kuznets eğrisi Yeni Zelanda ve Finlandiya için sırası ile 1980 ve 2015 arası zaman dilimi ve 1980 ve 2013 arası zaman dilimi için doğrulanmıştır. Kömür tüketimi çevresel Kuznets eğrisinin bu ülkeler için doğrulanması bu ülkelerin kömür tüketimi ile ilgili olan iklim değişikliği politikalarının başarısını göstermektedir. Kömür tüketimi çevresel Kuznets eğrisi ARDL ve bootstrap ARDL modelleri ile incelenmiştir.

Kyoto Protokolünün gelişmiş ve gelişmekte olan ülkeler üzerindeki etkileri sırası ile 1971 ve 2014 arası zaman dilimi ve 1980 ve 2014 arası zaman dilimi için incelenmiştir. Kişi başına düşen milli gelir ve karbon salınımı arasında önemli bir ilişki bulunamadığı için, çalışma Kyoto Protokolünün karbon salınımı üzerine önemli bir etkisi olmadığı yönünde sonuçlandırılmıştır.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** Çevresel Kuznets eğrisi, Gelişmekte olan ülkeler, Gelişmiş ülkeler, Kömür tüketimi çevresel Kuznets eğrisi, Kyoto protokolü

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## ABBREVIATIONS

<b>AIC</b>	: Akaike Information Criteria
<b>ARDL</b>	: Autoregressive Distributed Lag
<b>BDD</b>	: Banerjee, Dolado and Mestre
<b>BEW</b>	: Block Exogeneity Wald
<b>CO</b>	: Breusch-Godfrey Serial Correlation LM Test
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	: Carbon dioxide emissions
<b>CS</b>	: Coal Consumption
<b>CSQM</b>	: Cusum Square Test
<b>CSSM</b>	: Cusum Test
<b>C.V.</b>	: Critical Value
<b>D.V.</b>	: Dependent Variable
<b>ECM</b>	: Error Correction Model
<b>EI.</b>	: Eigenvalue
<b>EKC</b>	: Environmental Kuznets Curve
<b>ENC</b>	: Energy consumption
<b>EXCL.</b>	: Excluded
<b>FPE</b>	: Final Prediction Error
<b>GDP</b>	: Gross domestic per capita
<b>HE</b>	: Heteroscedasticity Test Breusch-Pagan-Godfrey
<b>HQ</b>	: Hannan-Quinn Information Criterion
<b>IRRA</b>	: Impulse Response Analysis
<b>JCT</b>	: Johansen Cointegration Test
<b>LR</b>	: Sequential modified LR test statistic
<b>LRR</b>	: Long run results
<b>MAX. ER.</b>	: Maximum Eigenvalue
<b>MG</b>	: Mean Group
<b>NARDL</b>	: Non-linear Autoregressive Distributed Lag
<b>NO</b>	: Normality Test
<b>PB.</b>	: Probability
<b>PER.</b>	: Period
<b>PMG</b>	: Pooled Mean Group
<b>PSS</b>	: Pesaran, Shin and Smith
<b>RE</b>	: Ramsey Reset Test
<b>SC</b>	: Schwarz information criterion
<b>SQ</b>	: Square of gross domestic per capita
<b>SRR</b>	: Short run results
<b>TR</b>	: Trace
<b>TR. STAT.</b>	: Trace Statistics
<b>UCRT</b>	: Unrestricted Cointegration Rank Test

**UR** : Unit Root Test  
**VAR** : Vector Autoregressive Model  
**VDDA** : Variance Decomposition Analysis  
**VECM** : Vector Error Correction Model  
**VGC** : Var Granger Causality  
**VMSR** : VAR Model Stability Results  
**VRHT** : VAR Residual Heteroskedasticity Tests  
**VRSC** : VAR Residual Serial Correlation

## INTRODUCTION

Kuznets (1955) studied the relationship between income and income inequality. Kuznets discovered inverted U shape between income and income inequality. EKC which is named after Kuznets, is the study of relationship between income and environmental degradation. EKC is studied in the literature mainly with CO<sub>2</sub> being dependent variable and GDP is being the independent variable. The Kyoto Protocol is an agreement also discussed in the EKC literature. Effect of the Kyoto Protocol is discussed in the EKC literature. The Kyoto Protocol is an agreement that is signed by developed and developing countries to lower signing countries' current emissions by a certain level. Effectiveness of Kyoto Protocol is discussed in the literature that whether Kyoto Protocol had a significant impact on reducing CO<sub>2</sub> levels of signing countries. Since sustainability is the one of the main issues in the world, studies for EKC and the agreements for reduction of greenhouse gases carry importance. In this study, EKC hypothesis is examined for developed and developing countries by using examining the relationships such as asymmetric relationships between the variables with NARDL model by Shin, Yu and Greenwood-Nimmo (2014) to cover the current gaps in the EKC literature. In this study, the Kyoto Protocol is investigated by using Pooled Mean Group Estimator based on Error Correction Model by Pesaran, Shin and Smith (1999), Cross-Sectional Augmented Distributed Lag estimator (CS-DL) by Chudik, Mohaddes, Pesaran and Raissi (2016), Cross-Sectional ARDL estimator based on ARDL model by Chudik, Mohaddes, Pesaran and Raissi (2016) and Dynamic Common Correlated Effects Estimator model by Chudik and Pesaran (2015) to cover the gaps in the EKC literature.

Climate change is a topic worldwide discussed by scientists, politicians and individuals. Carbon dioxide is also discussed besides climate change since it is one of the major causes for climate change and one of main greenhouse gas emissions which are carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and Sulphur hexafluoride. To cope with climate change and reduce CO<sub>2</sub>, many initiatives take place on individual



country level and global level. For global initiatives Paris Agreement and Kyoto protocol can be mentioned as two of them.

Kyoto Protocol, as being one of the global initiatives, an international agreement which was signed and ratified with different parties on December 11, 1997 is one of the main efforts of humanity to cope with climate change and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Developing and developed countries aim to reduce their GHG (Green House Gases) emissions by taking place in global initiatives. The protocol was prepared under the guidance of United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). It was first started with 37 industrialized countries and the European Union but today almost all countries involved in the protocol. Not all countries ratified Kyoto Protocol such as United States of America (USA). Kyoto Protocol went into practice by 2005 and by having a common objective for GHG emissions reduction, it also provided each participant country with a different commitment for emissions. Kyoto Protocol's first commitment period for ratified parties was between 2008 and 2012. First commitment period required involved countries to reduce their GHG emissions by 5 percent below 1990 levels. Updates to protocol were made in 2011 in Morocco and in 2012 in Qatar. After 2012 meeting in Qatar, second commitment period was decided to be started between 2013 and end of 2020. New common objective was to reduce GHG emissions 18 percent below 1990 levels. Many discussions take place in the media and scientific community whether Kyoto Protocol is successful and its contribution to the reduction level in CO<sub>2</sub> and GHG worldwide.

Kyoto Protocol was not created just being a binding agreement by participant countries and the United Nations, but it was also created to set up new initiatives to cope with GHG emissions against climate change. These initiatives are carbon trading, Clean Development Mechanism and Joint Implementation. The main common point of these initiatives is the participant countries in the Kyoto Protocol can trade their excess carbon allowance on the carbon market and gain income. Also, in clean development mechanism, a participant country can make a green investment inside its borders to gain carbon credits in order to count in further commitment periods toward its

emissions allowances. In joint implementation, a participant country can make a green investment in another country's territory to gain carbon credits in order to count in further commitment periods toward its emissions allowances.

Kyoto Protocol is discussed besides Environmental Kuznets Curve (EKC), which states income increase with CO<sub>2</sub> to a certain level and after that level is reached CO<sub>2</sub> starts to decrease while income increases, as well as climate change. The impact of Kyoto Protocol on EKC is one of the determinants for countries that are involved in the protocol to determine their policy implications towards their coping strategy with climate change.

The main question of this study is that whether income has a significant effect on environmental degradation in the long run. The other question is that whether Kyoto Protocol has a significant effect on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Also, coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is investigated in this study. Hao, Liu, Weng and Gao (2016) analyzed coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve in China for a panel study. This is the only study in the EKC literature. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is investigated in New Zealand and Finland in this study to fill the gap in the EKC literature.

The limitations of this study are the studied countries and the time period studied for these studied countries.

In Chapter 1, literature review for single country studies are examined for the EKC literature. Studies for the effect of Kyoto Protocol on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are examined besides single country studies.

In Chapter 2, data used in the study and the methodology of the study are explained in detail. The period of the study is determined according to the availability of the data for the studied countries. Developing countries in the study are Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia and Nigeria. Developed countries in the study are Austria, Belgium, Sweden, Denmark, Spain and UK. New Zealand and Finland are examined for coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve. Developing countries in the panel study are

Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, India, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria and Turkey. Developed countries in the panel study are Sweden, Denmark, Australia, Portugal, Austria, Canada, Finland, Spain and UK.

In Chapter 3, EKC is examined for developing countries which are Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia and Nigeria. ARDL, NARDL and bootstrap ARDL models are used in this chapter.

In Chapter 4, EKC is examined for developed countries which are Austria, Belgium and Sweden. ARDL, NARDL and bootstrap ARDL models are used in this chapter. Finland is analyzed by bootstrap ARDL model.

In Chapter 5, EKC is examined for Denmark, UK and Spain. ARDL, NARDL and bootstrap ARDL models are used in this chapter. Toda and Yamamoto granger non-causality test and VAR granger causality test are used for causal relationships between the variables. Cointegration test by Johansen is used for UK.

In Chapter 6, coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is examined for New Zealand and Finland. ARDL, bootstrap ARDL and ARDL Dynamic Multiplier models are used in this chapter.

In Chapter 7, the effect of the Kyoto Protocol on developing countries are examined for Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, India, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria and Turkey.

In Chapter 8, the effect of the Kyoto Protocol on developed countries are examined for Sweden, Denmark, Australia, Portugal, Austria, Canada, Finland, Spain and UK.

Final parts of this study are discussion and conclusion parts. In discussion and conclusion parts, overall findings of the study are discussed.

## **CHAPTER 1**

### **LITERATURE REVIEW**

Single country studies in the literature of carbon Kuznets curve is discussed in part 1.1. Majority of the studies in the EKC literature analyzed multi-country studies and panel studies. Impact of the Kyoto Protocol studies in the literature of carbon Kuznets curve is discussed in part 1.2.

#### **1.1 Single country studies in the literature of Carbon Kuznets Curve**

For Austria, Benavides et al. (2017) used ARDL bounds test for the relationship between methane emissions, economic growth, electricity production from renewable resources except hydro and trade openness for the period 1970 and 2012. Benavides et al. (2017) verified EKC for Austria. Benavides et al. (2017) showed that there were long-run causality running from GDP, square of GDP, electricity production from renewable resources and trade openness to methane emissions for Austria.

For Canada, He and Richard (2010) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub> and GDP for Canada between 1948 and 2004, and did not confirm EKC for Canada and found positive correlation between CO<sub>2</sub> and GDP.

Day and Grafton (2003) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, carbon monoxide, TSP (Total Suspended Particulate Matter) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), and GDP, and found no long-run relationship between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub>, carbon monoxide, TSP (Total Suspended Particulate Matter) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) for Canada.

For Portugal, Shahbaz et al. (2010) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, energy consumption, trade openness and urbanization by ARDL model for the period between 1971 and 2008. EKC is confirmed for Portugal and long-run relationship is found between variables.

For USA, Dogan and Turkekul (2016) examined the relationship between GDP, square of GDP, CO<sub>2</sub>, energy consumption, trade openness, urbanization and financial development for USA between 1960 and 2010. ARDL model is used. Long-run relationship exists between variables. EKC is not confirmed for USA.

For India, Ahmad et al. (2016) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and energy consumption for India at aggregated and disaggregated levels. Long-run relationship between variables and EKC hypothesis are confirmed for India at aggregated and disaggregated levels of energy consumption (Coal, Gas, Electricity and Oil) in the long-run. In the short run EKC is valid only for gas energy consumption. Time period of the study is between 1971 and 2014 and ARDL model is used.

Kanjilal and Ghosh (2013) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, energy consumption and trade openness for India with ARDL model and threshold cointegration with structural breaks between 1971 and 2008. EKC hypothesis is confirmed for India.

Tiwari et al. (2013) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, coal consumption and trade openness for India between 1966 and 2011 by using ARDL model. EKC hypothesis is confirmed for India both in the short-run and long-run.

Boutabba (2014) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, energy consumption, financial development and trade openness between 1971 and 2008 for India. ARDL model is used. Long-run relationship is found between variables and EKC hypothesis is confirmed for India both in the short-run and long-run.

For Iran, Saboori and Soleymani (2011) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and energy consumption between 1971 and 2007. ARDL model is used. Long-run relationship between variables is found but EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Iran.

Taghvaei and Parsa (2015) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, and capital value added from manufacturing and mining, and services sectors and rural population in Iran. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed between value added in manufacturing and mining sectors and CO<sub>2</sub>, and between services sector and CO<sub>2</sub>.

Asghari (2012) examined the relationship between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub> in Iran by two-stage least squares method between 1980 and 2008. Asghari (2012) did not confirm EKC for Iran.

For Malaysia, Begum et al. (2015) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, population and energy consumption for Malaysia between 1980 and 2009. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Malaysia. ARDL model and dynamic ordinary least squared (DOLS) are used.

Azlina et al. (2014) examined the relationships between industrialization, GDP, CO<sub>2</sub>, renewable energy use and energy consumption in the transport sector for Malaysia between 1975 and 2011. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Malaysia.

Saboori et al. (2012) examined the relationships between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub> for Malaysia between 1980 and 2009. ARDL model is used. EKC hypothesis is confirmed for Malaysia.

Saboori and Sulaiman (2013) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and energy consumption at aggregated and disaggregated (oil, gas, electricity and gas) levels for Malaysia between 1980 and 2009. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed at aggregated level but confirmed at disaggregated levels.

Gill et al. (2017) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and renewable energy between 1970 and 2011 for Malaysia. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Malaysia. ARDL model is used.

Lau et al. (2014) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, FDI and trade openness for Malaysia between 1970 and 2008. EKC hypothesis is confirmed for Malaysia both in the long-run and short-run.

Sulaiman et al. (2013) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, trade openness and electricity generation from renewable energy supply between 1980 and 2009 for Malaysia. ARDL model is used. Long-run relationship between variables is confirmed and EKC hypothesis is confirmed for Malaysia.

For Morocco, Haq et al. (2016) examined the relationships between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, energy consumption and trade openness for Morocco between 1971 and 2011. Johansen cointegration model is used. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Morocco.

Kharbach and Chfadi (2017) examined the EKC hypothesis in the road transport sector in Morocco. Kharbach and Chfadi (2017) confirmed the EKC hypothesis in Morocco's road transport sector. Long run relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and energy consumption in the road transport sector (Diesel Consumption) is confirmed for the period between 1971 – 2011 by VECM model.

For Nigeria, Chuku (2011) examined the relationship between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub> by standard EKC equation and modified EKC equation. Johansen cointegration test is used. Chuku (2011) confirmed EKC hypothesis with standard EKC equation, and rejected EKC hypothesis with modified EKC equation (added several variables to the equation).

Oyinlola (2010) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, FDI, manufacturing, energy consumption and traded stock in Nigeria between 1980 and 2008. EKC is not confirmed for Nigeria.

Akpan and Chuku (2011) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub> and GDP between 1960 and 2008. ARDL model is used. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Nigeria.

Olusegun (2009) examined the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub> and GDP for Nigeria between 1970 and 2005. EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for Nigeria. Johansen cointegration model is used.

## **1.2 Impact of the Kyoto Protocol studies in the literature of Carbon Kuznets Curve**

Grunewald and Martinez-Zarzoso (2016) analyzed the impact of the Kyoto Protocol on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for 170 countries over the period 1992 and 2009. They found that ratifying Kyoto Protocol had a significant effect on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and countries emit on average 7% less emissions that signed the protocol than those without.

Aichele and Felbermayr (2013) found that Kyoto Protocol had a statistically significant negative effect on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The effect is close to 10 percent on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for panel countries.

Halkos and Tzeremes (2014) applied conditional full frontiers approach to analyze Kyoto Protocol's effect on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for a panel of 110 countries. They found a nonlinear relationship between the countries' duration in the protocol and their emission levels. They also found a nonlinear relationship between countries' agreement on emission level and their emission levels.

Kumazawa and Callaghan (2012) analyzed the impact of Kyoto Protocol on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for a panel of 177 countries for the period 1980 and 2006. They found structural breaks in the analysis of data which they mentioned as the effects of Kyoto Protocol. Panel version of Chow test is used. They also found that emissions decreased by increasing income in Annex B countries which signed the Kyoto Protocol. They also found industrial production negatively affected emissions in both Annex-B and non-Annex-B countries.



Mert and Çağlar (2017) analyzed the impact of Kyoto Protocol for 26 countries for the period 1960 and 2013 by using structural breaks. They found structural breaks between 1997 and 2006 for 19 countries in the study and mentioned them as the impact of Kyoto Protocol.

Almer and Winkler (2017) and Maamoun (2019) examined the effect of Kyoto Protocol by comparing the Kyoto Protocol scenario with no-Kyoto Protocol scenario. While Maamoun (2019) confirmed that the emission levels would be higher without the Protocol, Almer and Winkler (2017) found that there were no difference between the Kyoto Protocol scenario and no-Kyoto Protocol scenario.

## **CHAPTER 2**

### **METHODOLOGY AND DATA OF THE STUDY**

Data used in the study is explained in part 2.1. Methodology of the study is discussed in part 2.2. Methodology is explained in detail for each chapter.

#### **2.1 Data**

GDP is gross domestic product per capita. CO<sub>2</sub> is carbon dioxide emissions per capita. ENC is energy consumption (kg of oil equivalent per capita). SQ is the square of gross domestic product. CS is coal consumption (million tonnes of oil equivalent). Data for CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC is retrieved from World Bank website. Data for CS is retrieved from U.S. energy information administration website.

#### **2.2 Methodology**

For time series analysis of developing countries, ARDL model by Pesaran, Shin and Smith (2001), NARDL model by Shin, Yu and Greenwood-Nimmo (2014) and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of test by Banerjee, Dolado and Mestre (1998) and bound test by Pesaran, Shin, & Smith (2001). ARDL model is used to investigate the symmetric relationships between variables whereas NARDL model is used to investigate the asymmetric relationships between the variables. ADF unit root test by Dickey & Fuller (1981) is applied to determine the levels of unit roots of the variables. The EKC hypothesis is investigated for Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia and Nigeria for the period between 1971 and 2014. Second model is used for Nigeria. First model is used for Argentina, Egypt,

Ghana, Iran, Kenya and Malaysia. The stability of the models is examined by CSSM, CSQM, HE, CO, RE and NO tests.

$$\ln(CO2)_t = r_0 + r_1 \ln(GDP)_t + r_2 \ln(GDP)_t^2 + r_3 \ln(EN)_t + e_t \quad (1)$$

$$\ln(CO2)_t = r_0 + r_1 \ln(GDP)_t + r_2 \ln(GDP)_t^2 + e_t \quad (2)$$

$$\ln(CO2)_t = r_0 + r_1 \ln(GDP)_t + r_2 \ln(EN)_t + e_t \quad (3)$$

$$\ln(CS)_t = r_0 + r_1 \ln(GDP)_t + r_2 \ln(GDP)_t^2 + e_t \quad (4)$$

For all models  $e$  is the error term and  $r_0$ ,  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  and  $r_3$  are coefficients. For time series analysis in this study, ADF unit root test is used to determine the levels of unit roots of the variables.

For time series analysis of Austria and Belgium second model is used. ARDL model, NARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. ARDL model is used to investigate the symmetric relationships between variables whereas NARDL model is used to investigate the asymmetric relationships between the variables. The EKC hypothesis is investigated for Austria and Belgium for the period between 1960 and 2014. The stability of the models is examined by CSSM, CSQM, HE, CO, RE and NO tests.

For time series analysis of Sweden, first model is used. ARDL model, NARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. ARDL model is used to investigate the symmetric relationships between variables whereas NARDL model is used to investigate the asymmetric relationships between the variables. The EKC hypothesis is investigated for Sweden for the period between 1960 and 2014. The stability of the models is examined by CSSM, CSQM, HE, CO, RE and NO tests.

For time series analysis of Finland, first model is used. Bootstrap ARDL model is used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. The EKC hypothesis is investigated for Finland for the period between 1960 and 2014.

For time series analysis of Denmark, first and third models are used. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC nexus, ARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. Toda and Yamamoto (1995) granger non-causality test is applied to examine the causal relationships between the variables. HE, CO and NO tests are applied for stability of the model. For VAR model, that is established to apply Toda and Yamamoto granger non-causality test, VAR model stability tests are applied. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus, ARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. HE, CO and NO tests are applied for stability of the model. EKC hypothesis is investigated for Denmark for the period between 1960 and 2014.

For time series analysis of Spain, first and third models are used. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC nexus, ARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. Toda and Yamamoto granger non-causality test is applied to examine the causal relationships between the variables. HE, CO and NO tests are applied for stability of the model. For VAR model, that is established to apply Toda and Yamamoto granger non-causality test, VAR model stability tests are applied. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus, ARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. HE, CO and NO tests are applied for stability of the model. EKC hypothesis is investigated for Spain for the period between 1960 and 2014.

For time series analysis of UK, first and third models are used. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC nexus, cointegration test by Johansen (1991) is applied for the variables. IRRRA analysis and VDDA analysis are applied for the variables. VAR Granger causality test is applied to investigate the causal relationships between the variables. VAR stability tests are applied for the stability of VAR model. For CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus, cointegration test by Johansen is applied for the variables. EKC hypothesis is investigated for UK for the period between 1960 and 2014.

For time series analysis of New Zealand and Finland, fourth model is used. For CS-GDP-SQ nexus, ARDL model and bootstrap ARDL model are used. Bootstrap ARDL model used bootstrap versions of T test and F test. ARDL Dynamic Multiplier model is applied to calculate short run and long run coefficients of the variables. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is investigated for New Zealand and Finland for the period between 1980 and 2015, and the period between 1980 and 2013 respectively. The stability of the model is examined by CSSM, CSQM, HE, CO, RE and NO tests.

For panel data analysis, cross sectional dependency is tested in panel data. First generation panel unit root tests do not take cross sectional dependency into consideration. Since cross sectional dependency is found in panel data, second generation panel unit root tests are used. First generation panel unit root tests which are Im, Pesaran and Shin (2003) and Levin, Lin and Chu (2002) panel unit root tests are also used in the study. For second generation panel unit root tests, Pesaran (2004) cross section dependency test and Pesaran (2015) weak cross sectional dependency test are used. Panel cointegration test is optional so Westerlund (2007) Error Correction Based Bootstrap Panel Cointegration Test is applied only for developing countries for the period between 1971 and 1997 for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus and CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ nexus separately. Hausman (1978) test is applied first to decide between fixed effects and random effects model, then Hausman test is again applied to decide between mean group model and pooled mean group model.

For developing countries for the period between 1971 and 1997, Hausman test is applied separately for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus and CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ nexus. CS-ARDL and CCE-PMG models are applied for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ nexus, and CS-DL model is applied for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus.

Dynamic Common Correlated Effects Estimator model by Chudik and Pesaran (2015) is used since there is cross sectional dependency in the data. For a dynamic model, there are three models that are used to estimate the long run coefficients. First one is Pooled Mean Group Estimator based on Error Correction Model by Pesaran, Shin and Smith (1999). Second one is the

Cross-Sectional Augmented Distributed Lag estimator (CS-DL) by Chudik, Mohaddes, Pesaran and Raissi (2016) which estimates long run coefficients directly from a dynamic model. Third one is Cross-Sectional ARDL estimator based on ARDL model by Chudik, Mohaddes, Pesaran and Raissi (2016) which first estimates short run coefficients then long run coefficients from a dynamic model. Although Hausman test results indicate PMG model, since there is cross sectional dependency in panel data, all three models are used. All three models provide cross sectional dependency test results. At the end of the analysis, cross sectional dependency test results are also checked for that there is no cross-sectional dependency in the analysis.

For developed countries between 1971 and 1997, CS-ARDL model is not applied. CCE-PMG and CS-DL models are applied for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus.

## CHAPTER 3

### EKC FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus is examined for Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya and Malaysia. CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ nexus is examined for Nigeria. ARDL, NARDL and bootstrap ARDL models are used in the analysis.

#### 3.1 Argentina

##### 3.1.1 ARDL Model for Argentina

Unit root test results for Argentina are as in Table 1. According to unit root test results, CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC variables are at I(1) level. Lag length is determined according to lag length results in VAR model (see Table 2). F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 0.541522 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC by ARDL model. ARDL model for Argentina is stable according to stability test results (see Table 3, Figure 1 and Figure 2).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-0.903493	-5.614990 (1%)
GDP	-0.720451	-5.398824 (1%)
SQ	-0.696829	-5.398799 (1%)
ENC	0.110569	-6.524269 (1%)

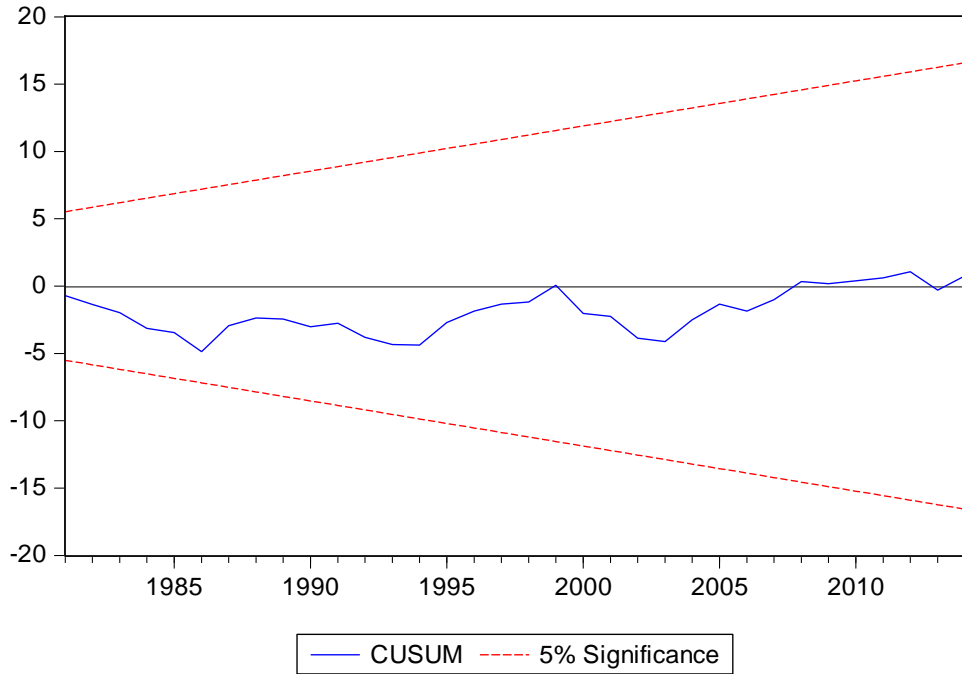
**Table 1:** UR Results for Argentina

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	251.8866	NA	4.87e-11	-12.39433	-12.22544	-12.33327
1	367.9539	203.1177*	3.29e-13*	-17.39769*	-16.55325*	-17.09237*
2	381.6901	21.29114	3.78e-13	-17.28451	-15.76451	-16.73492
3	390.1594	11.43355	5.88e-13	-16.90797	-14.71243	-16.11413
4	405.9224	18.12740	6.80e-13	-16.89612	-14.02502	-15.85802

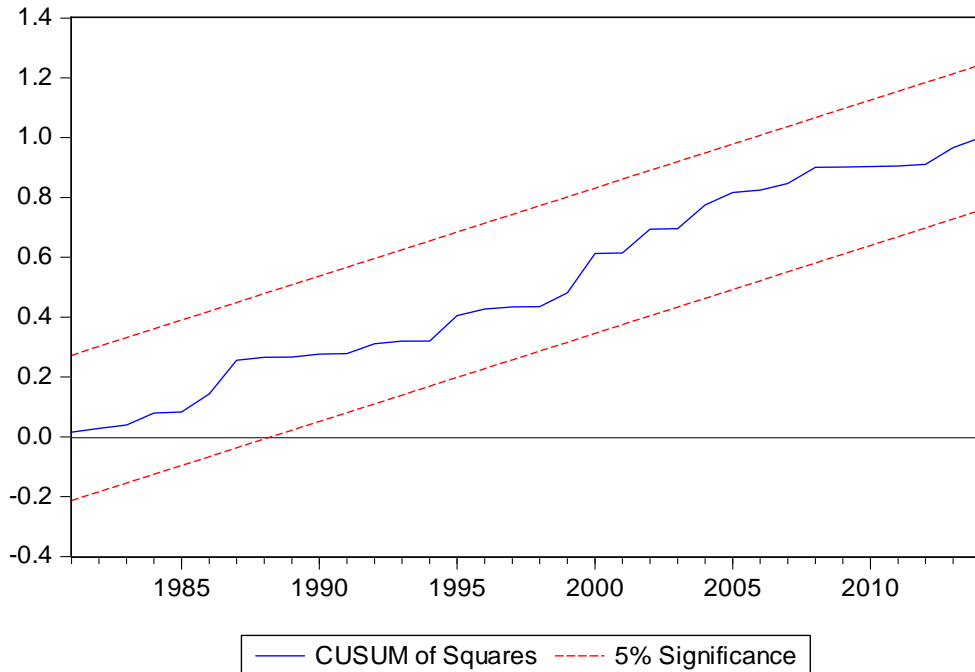
**Table 2:** Lag Length Results for Argentina

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.025491 (0.8740)	-
HE Test	1.889960 (0.1197)	-
CO Test	2.681161 (0.1103)	-
NO Test	-	2.661962 (0.264218)

**Table 3: Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Argentina**



**Figure 1: CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Argentina**



**Figure 2: CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Argentina**

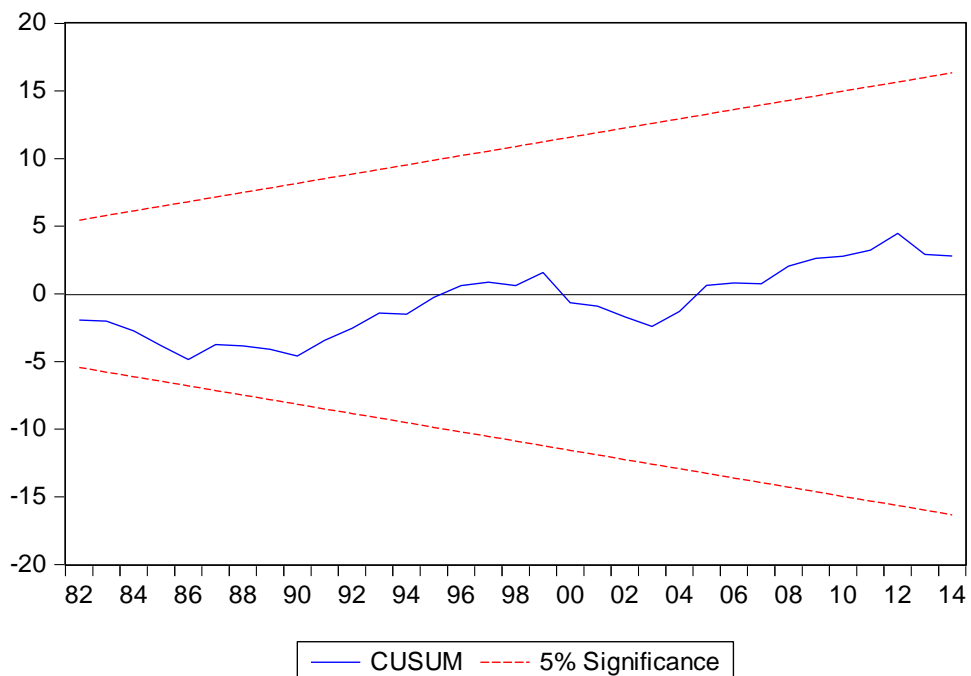


### 3.1.2 NARDL Model for Argentina

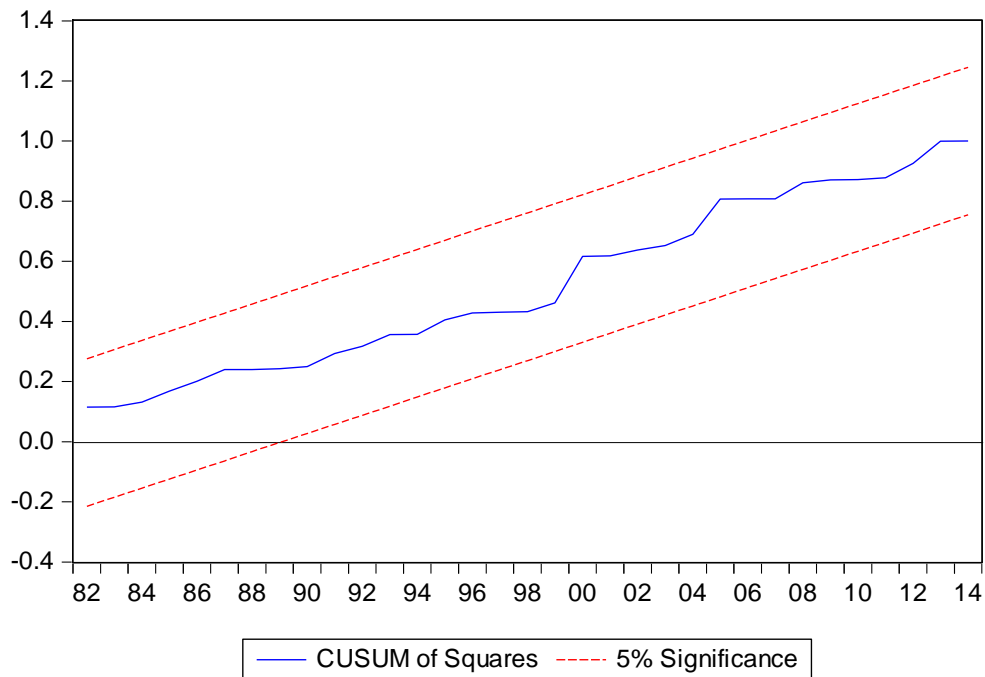
Non-linear relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC by NARDL model. F-statistics value of NARDL bounds test is 2.099869 which is less than 2.45 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC by NARDL model. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 4, Figure 3 and Figure 4).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.004902 (0.9446)	-
HE Test	0.689271 (0.6596)	-
CO Test	0.752316 (0.3918)	-
NO Test	-	0.678336 (0.776224)

**Table 4:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Argentina



**Figure 3:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Argentina



**Figure 4:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Argentina

### 3.1.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Argentina

Bootstrap ARDL model is applied to investigate the EKC relationship between variables which are CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. According to test results, no EKC relationship is found since F test statistics value which is 2.565 is lower than critical value of 10% which is 3.484 (see Table 5).

The EKC relationship for Argentina is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	5,991	4,391	3,484
2,565			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,256		
% of Failed Iterations	2,90		

**Table 5:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Argentina

## 3.2 Egypt

### 3.2.1 ARDL Model for Egypt

The EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC by ARDL Model. According to unit root test results, the variables are at I(1) levels (see Table 6). Lag length is determined according to lag

length results in VAR model (see Table 7). According to ARDL bounds test results, there is no cointegration between the variables since F-statistics value which is 3.427991 is less than 3.69 which is I0 bound value of 2.5%. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 8, Figure 5 and Figure 6).

	Level	First Difference
CO2	-2.017766	-7.416083 (1%)
GDP	-2.553432	-3.624684 (1%)
SQ	-2.246949	-3.695775 (1%)
ENC	-2.486051	-5.587300 (1%)

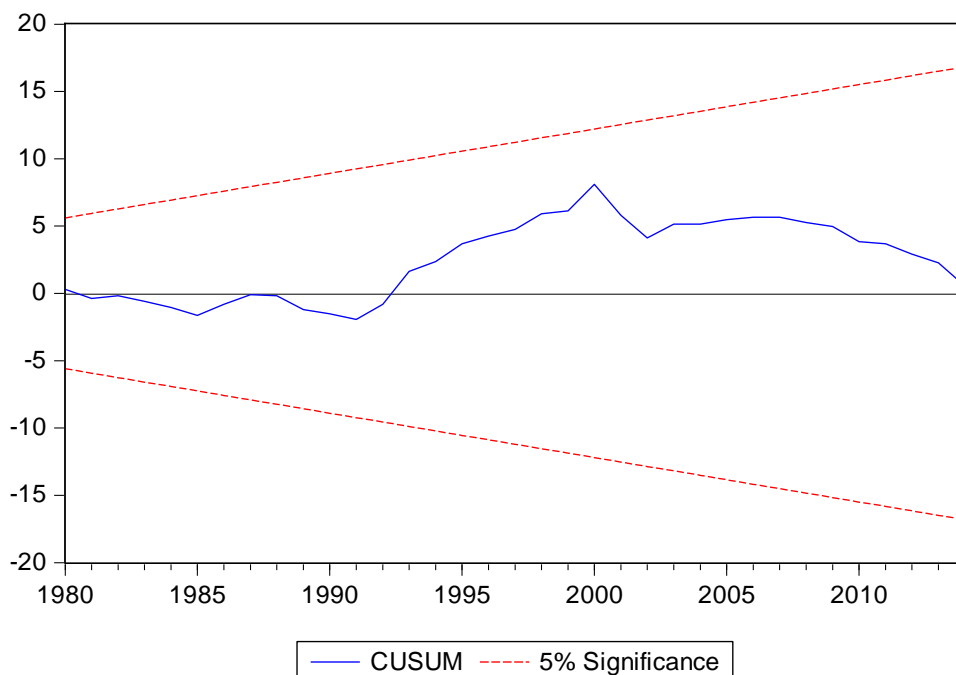
**Table 6:** UR Results for Egypt

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	142.8388	NA	1.14e-08	-6.941941	-6.773053	-6.880876
1	362.6861	384.7327	4.28e-13	-17.13430	-16.28986*	-16.82898*
2	379.8774	26.64660*	4.14e-13*	-17.19387*	-15.67388	-16.64429
3	392.2015	16.63745	5.31e-13	-17.01007	-14.81453	-16.21623
4	410.2491	20.75477	5.47e-13	-17.11246	-14.24136	-16.07436

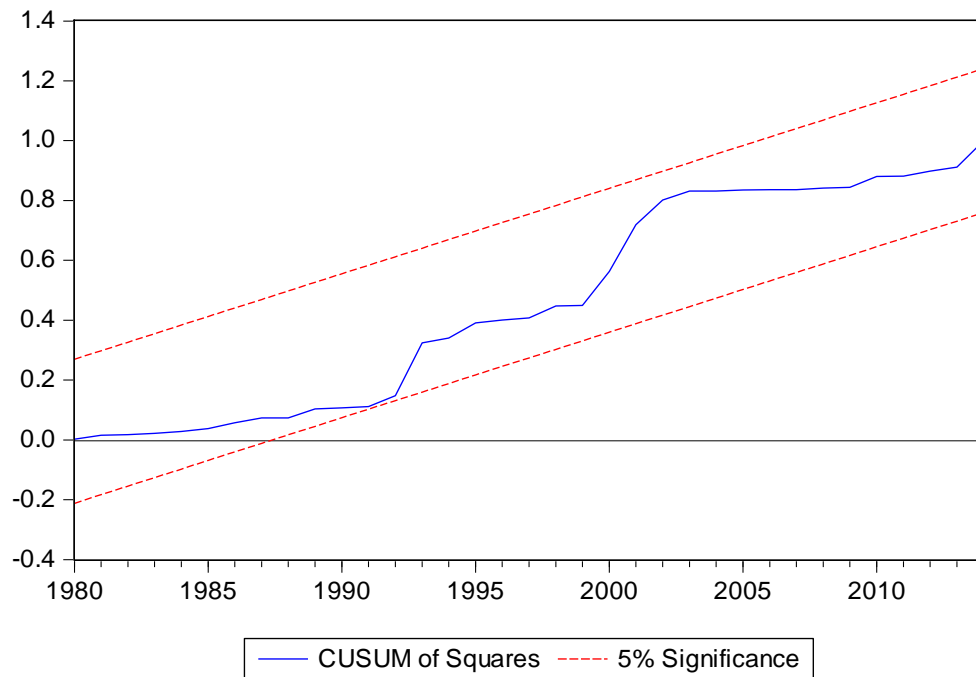
**Table 7:** Lag Length Results for Egypt

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.024178 (0.8774)	-
HE Test	1.735691 (0.1417)	-
CO Test	0.184517 (0.8324)	-
NO Test	-	3.431804 (0.179802)

**Table 8:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Egypt



**Figure 5:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Egypt



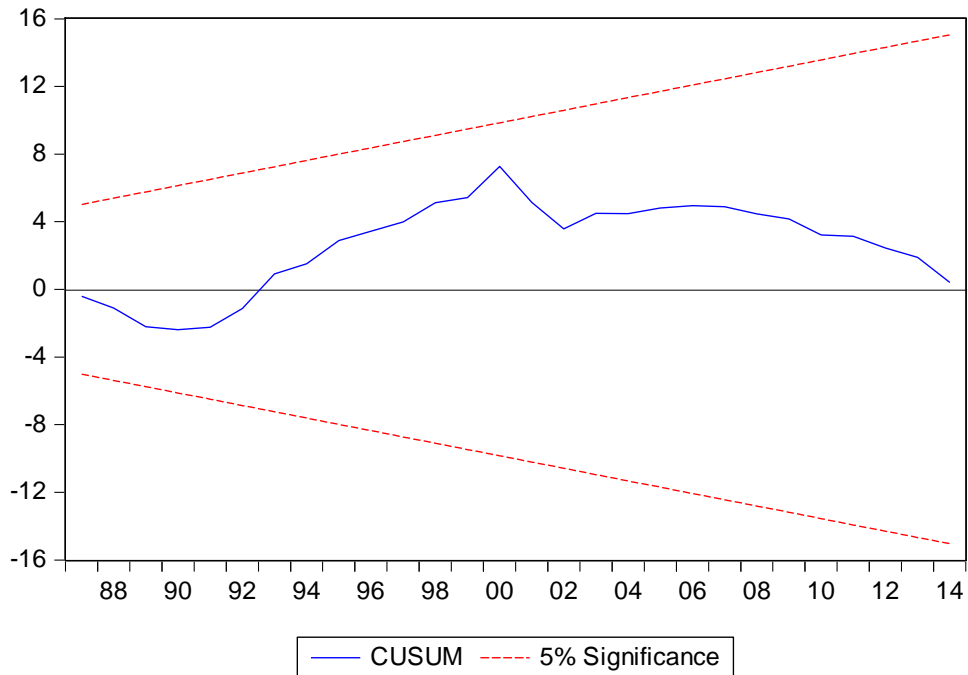
**Figure 6:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Egypt

### 3.2.2 NARDL Model for Egypt

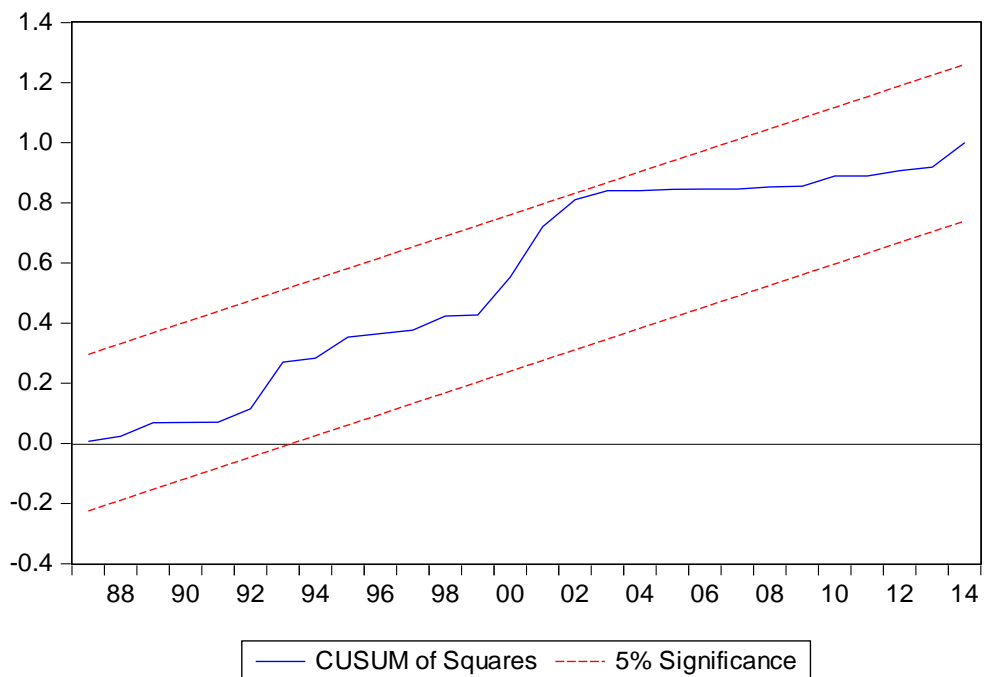
The EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC by NARDL model. According to test results, there is no cointegration between the variables, since F-statistics value which is 3.723612 is lower than 3.74 which is I0 value of 1%. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 9, Figure 7 and Figure 8).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.000566 (0.9812)	-
HE Test	1.738281 (0.1330)	-
CO Test	0.796803 (0.4595)	-
NO Test	-	4.882616 (0.087047)

**Table 9:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Egypt



**Figure 7:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Egypt



**Figure 8:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Egypt

### 3.2.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Egypt

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. According to test results, there is no cointegration between the variables, since F-statistics value which is 2.056 is lower than critical value of 10% which is 4.610 (see Table 10).

The EKC relationship for Egypt is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics			
2,056	6,795	5,404	4,610
Bootstrap P-Value	0,643		
% of Failed Iterations	0,70		

**Table 10:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Egypt

### 3.3 Ghana

#### 3.3.1 ARDL Model for Ghana

According to unit root test results, variables are at I(1) level (see Table 11). Lag length is determined according to lag length results in VAR model (see Table 12). F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 1.971845 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 13, Figure 9 and Figure 10).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-0.000784	-9.514818 (1%)
GDP	0.479792	-4.222747 (1%)
SQ	0.572594	-4.202418 (1%)
ENC	-1.614681	-5.961521 (1%)

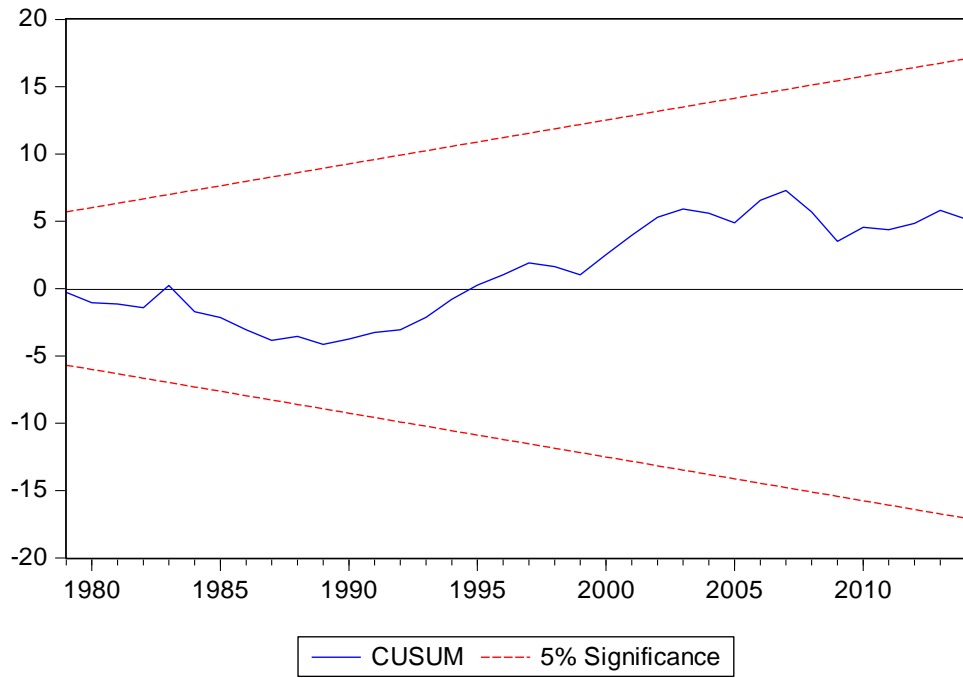
**Table 11:** UR Results for Ghana

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	126.4014	NA	2.58e-08	-6.120068	-5.951180	-6.059003
1	281.1669	270.8397*	2.52e-11*	-13.05835	-12.21391*	-12.75302*
2	297.3188	25.03536	2.57e-11	-13.06594*	-11.54595	-12.51636
3	303.3179	8.098795	4.52e-11	-12.56589	-10.37035	-11.77205
4	325.4893	25.49717	3.79e-11	-12.87447	-10.00337	-11.83637

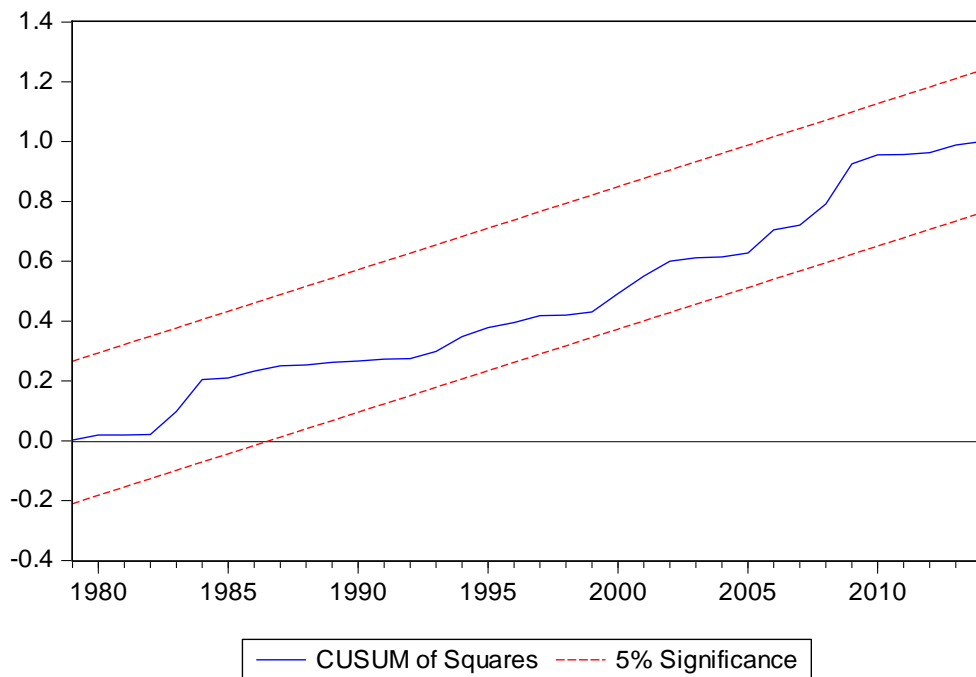
**Table 12:** Lag Length Results for Ghana

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.363239 (0.5506)	-
HE Test	1.599466 (0.1852)	-
CO Test	0.783942 (0.4647)	-
NO Test	-	1.790396 (0.408527)

**Table 13:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Ghana



**Figure 9:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Ghana



**Figure 10:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Ghana

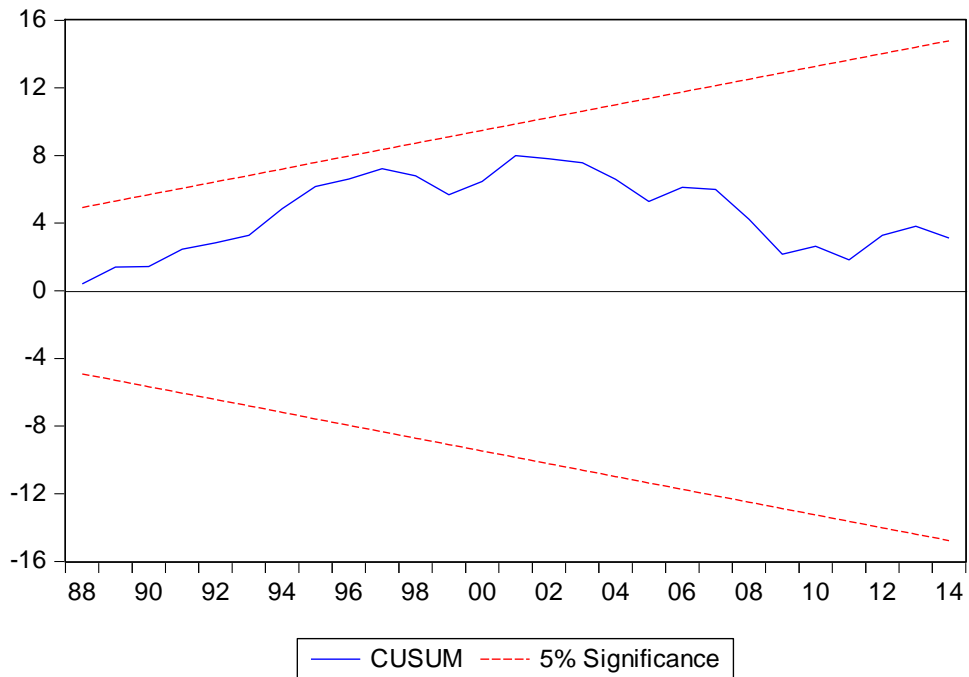
**3.3.2 NARDL Model for Ghana**

EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. According to bounds test results, F-statistics value is 2.203590 which is less than 2.45 which is I0 bound value of 10%. NARDL model is stable

according to stability test results (see Table 14, Figure 11 and Figure 12).

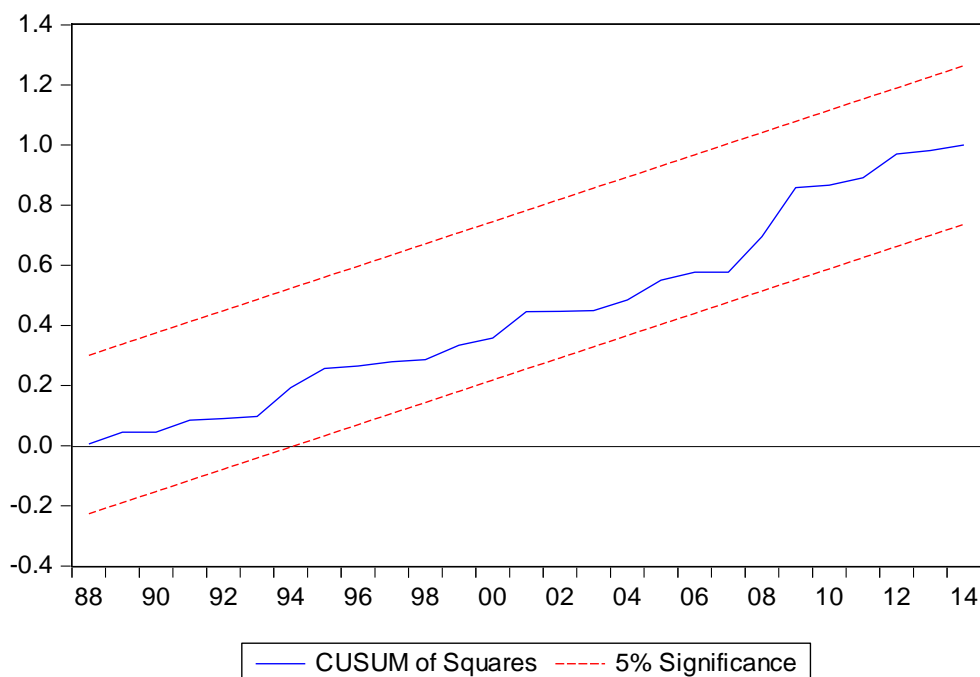
	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.641680 (0.4304)	-
HE Test	0.873340 (0.5877)	-
CO Test	0.111625 (0.8948)	-
NO Test	-	0.134238 (0.935084)

**Table 14:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Ghana



**Figure 11:** CUSUM Test Results for NARDL Model of Ghana





**Figure 12:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Ghana

### 3.3.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Ghana

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. According to test results, there is no cointegration between the variables, since F-statistics value which is 0.683 is lower than critical value of 10% which is 3.647 (see Table 15).

EKC relationship for Ghana is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics			
0,683	5,710	4,455	3,647
Bootstrap P-Value	0,947		
% of Failed Iterations	3,60		

**Table 15:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Ghana

### 3.4 Iran

#### 3.4.1 ARDL Model for Iran

F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 1.715465 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results.

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-0.257043	-5.177741 (1%)
GDP	-1.929386	-4.109133 (1%)
SQ	-1.950584	-4.085889 (1%)
ENC	-2.123782	-8.339386 (1%)

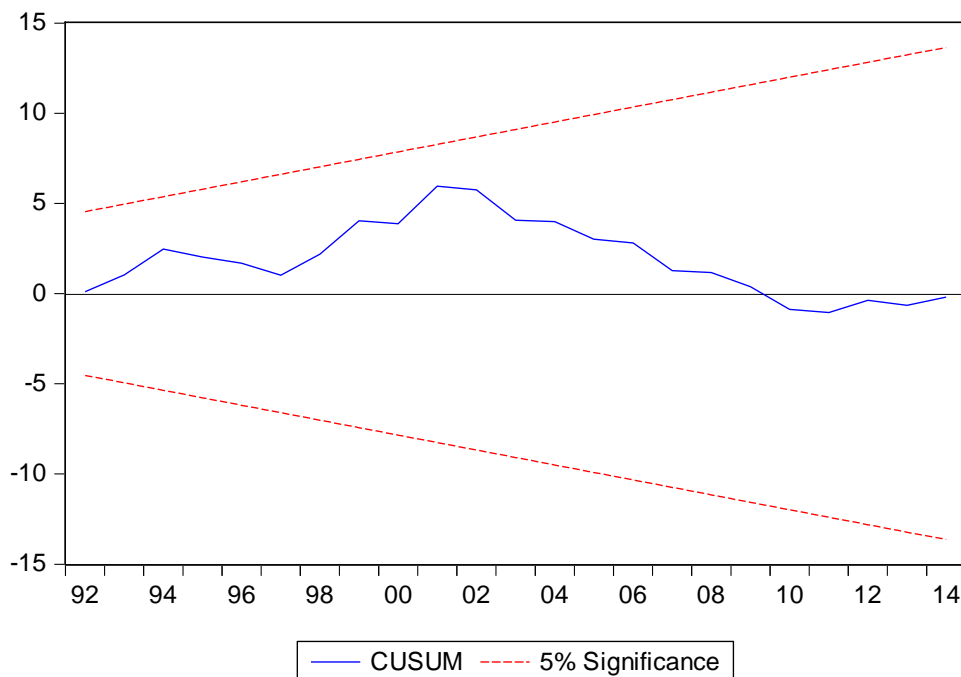
**Table 16:** UR Results for Iran

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	96.60388	NA	1.15e-07	-4.630194	-4.461306	-4.569130
1	244.3553	258.5649	1.59e-10	-11.21776	-10.37332*	-10.91244
2	267.9029	36.49876	1.12e-10	-11.59514	-10.07515	-11.04556*
3	281.7292	18.66551	1.33e-10	-11.48646	-9.290915	-10.69262
4	305.9535	27.85798*	1.01e-10*	-11.89767*	-9.026580	-10.85958

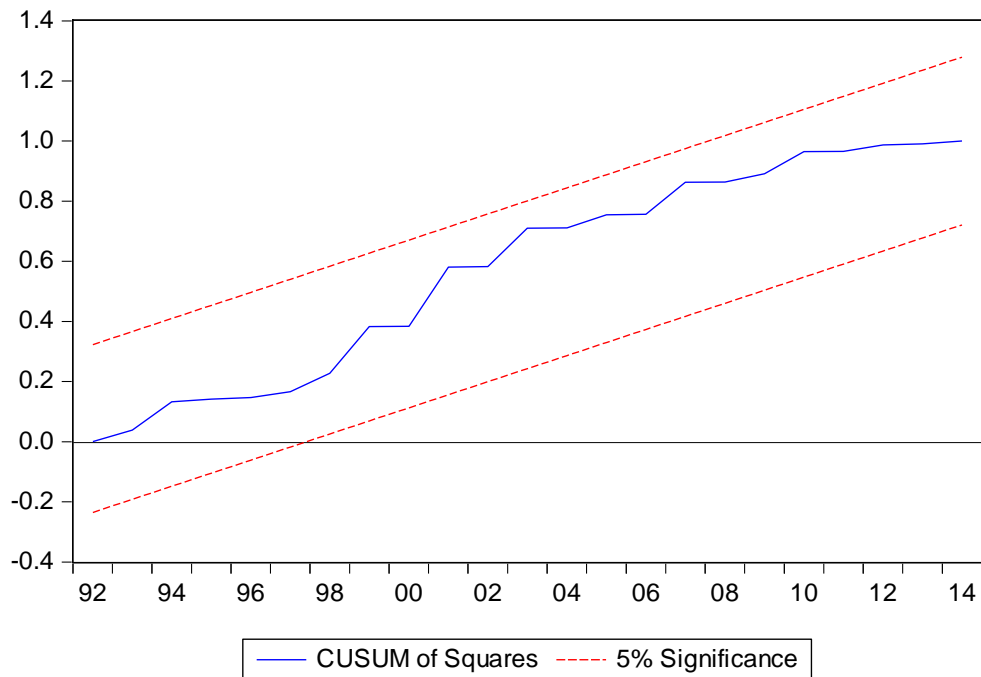
**Table 17:** Lag Length Results for Iran

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	2.964937 (0.0991)	-
HE Test	0.533684 (0.9005)	-
CO Test	0.276016 (0.8898)	-
NO Test	-	3.549376 (0.169536)

**Table 18:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Iran



**Figure 13:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Iran



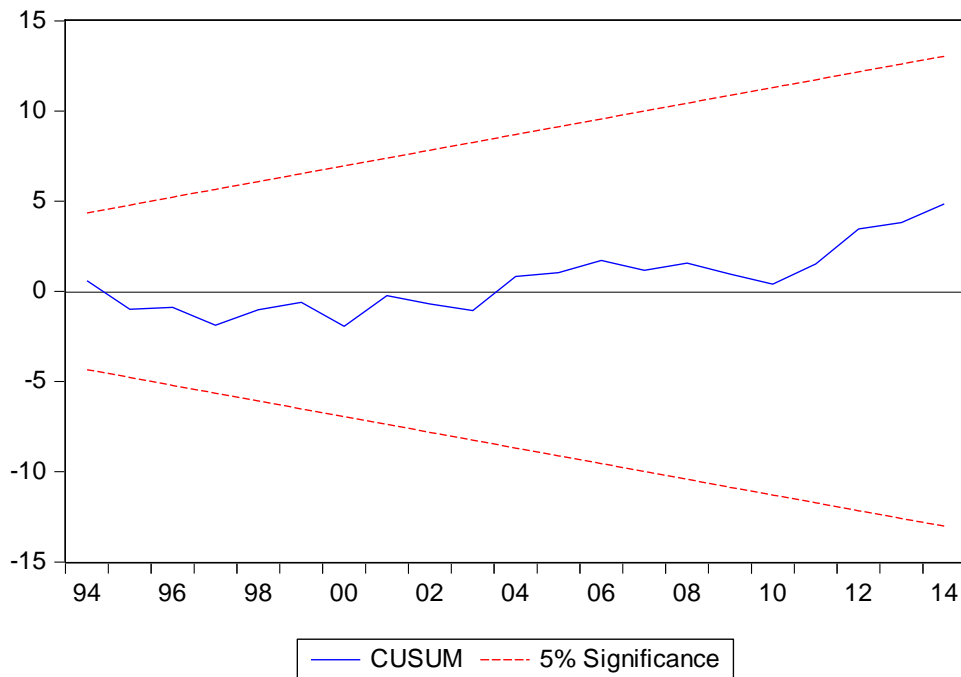
**Figure 14:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Iran

### 3.4.2 NARDL Model for Iran

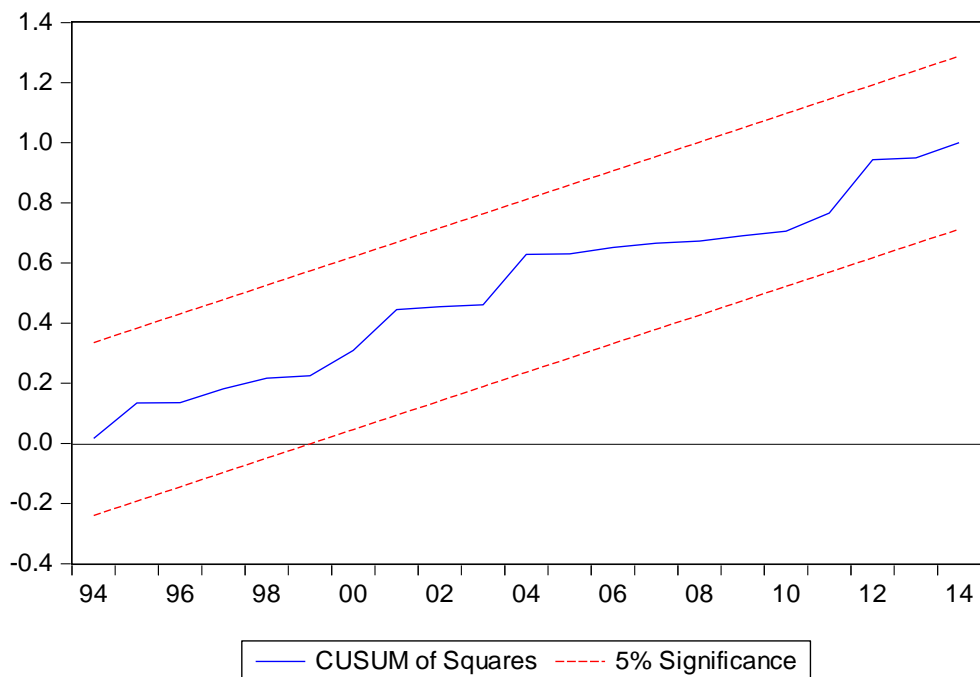
EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of NARDL bounds test is 3.434408 which is less than 3.74 which is I<sub>0</sub> bound value of 1%. No cointegration is found between the variables. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 19, Figure 15 and Figure 16).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.015553 (0.9020)	-
HE Test	0.981807 (0.5112)	-
CO Test	0.761533 (0.5645)	-
NO Test	-	1.769052 (0.412910)

**Table 19:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Iran



**Figure 15:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Iran



**Figure 16:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Iran

### 3.4.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Iran

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of bootstrap bounds test is 2.538 which is less than 3.808 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 20).

EKC relationship for Ghana is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	6,777	4,408	3,808
2,538			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,299		
% of Failed Iterations	1,70		

**Table 20:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Iran

### 3.5 Kenya

#### 3.5.1 ARDL Model for Kenya

F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 1.807908 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 23, Figure 17 and Figure 18).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-2.190654	-6.641608 (1%)
GDP	-0.056672	-5.677609 (1%)
GDP <sup>2</sup>	-0.029963	-5.584770 (1%)
ENC	0.258768	-3.588524 (5%)

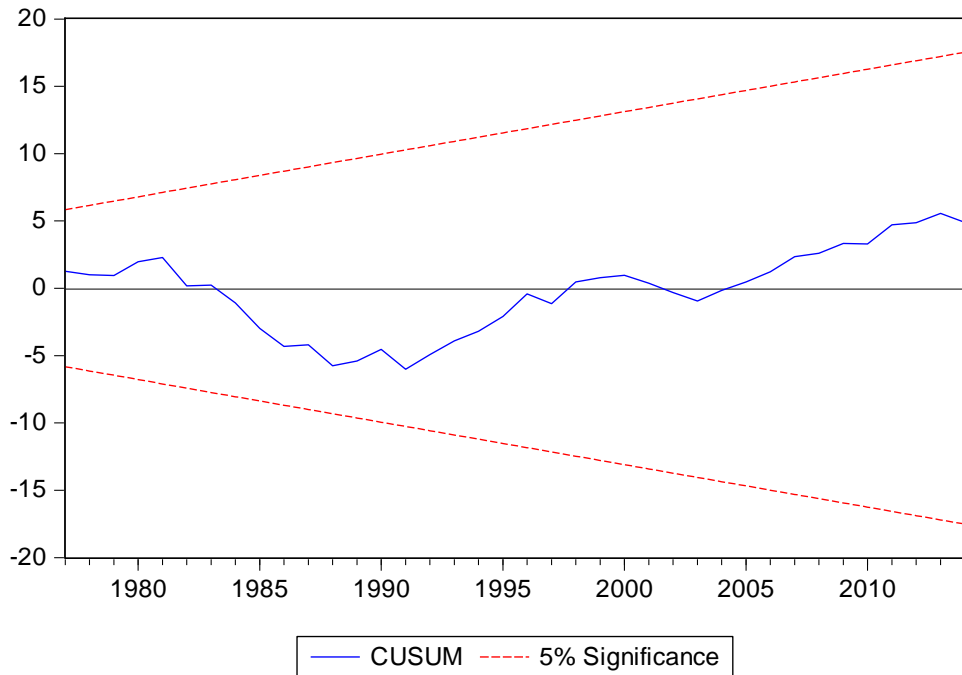
**Table 21:** UR Results for Kenya

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	310.5704	NA	2.59e-12	-15.32852	-15.15963	-15.26746
1	432.1279	212.7256*	1.33e-14*	-20.60639*	-19.76195*	-20.30107*
2	443.0417	16.91647	1.76e-14	-20.35209	-18.83210	-19.80251
3	453.4026	13.98718	2.49e-14	-20.07013	-17.87459	-19.27629
4	473.7524	23.40225	2.29e-14	-20.28762	-17.41652	-19.24952

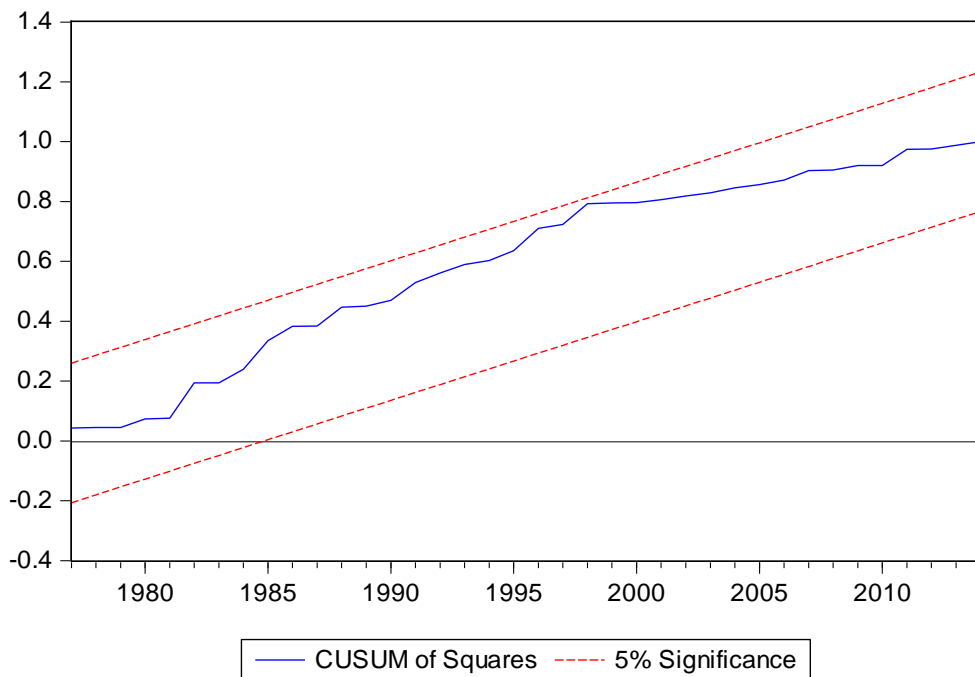
**Table 22:** Lag Length Results for Kenya

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.320785 (0.5746)	-
HE Test	0.873630 (0.4887)	-
CO Test	0.012183 (0.9127)	-
NO Test	-	1.431609 (0.488799)

**Table 23:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Kenya



**Figure 17: CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Kenya**



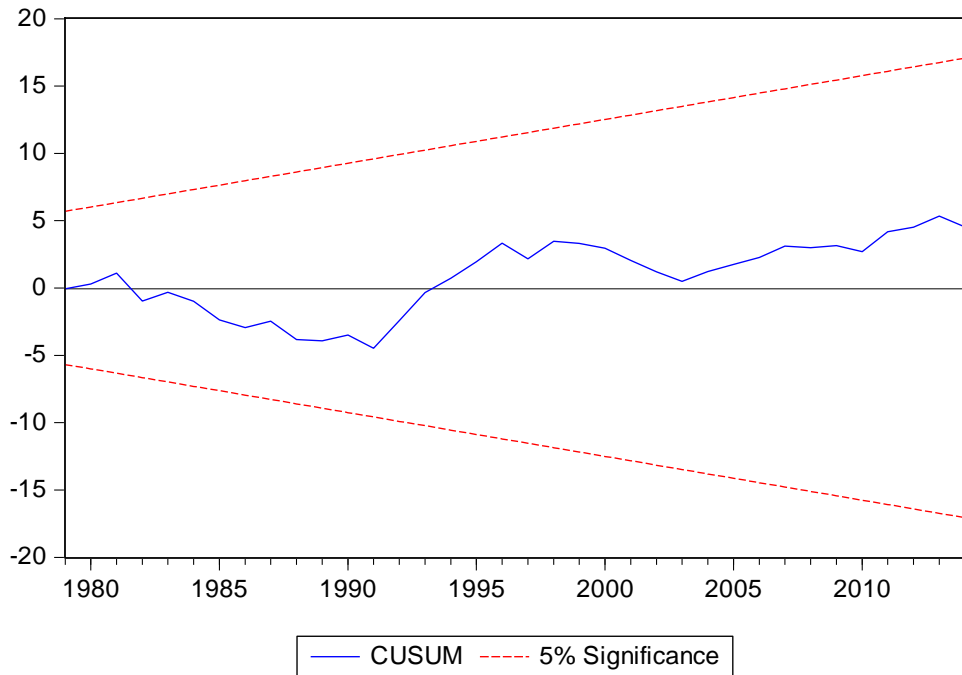
**Figure 18: CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Kenya**

### 3.5.2 NARDL Model for Kenya

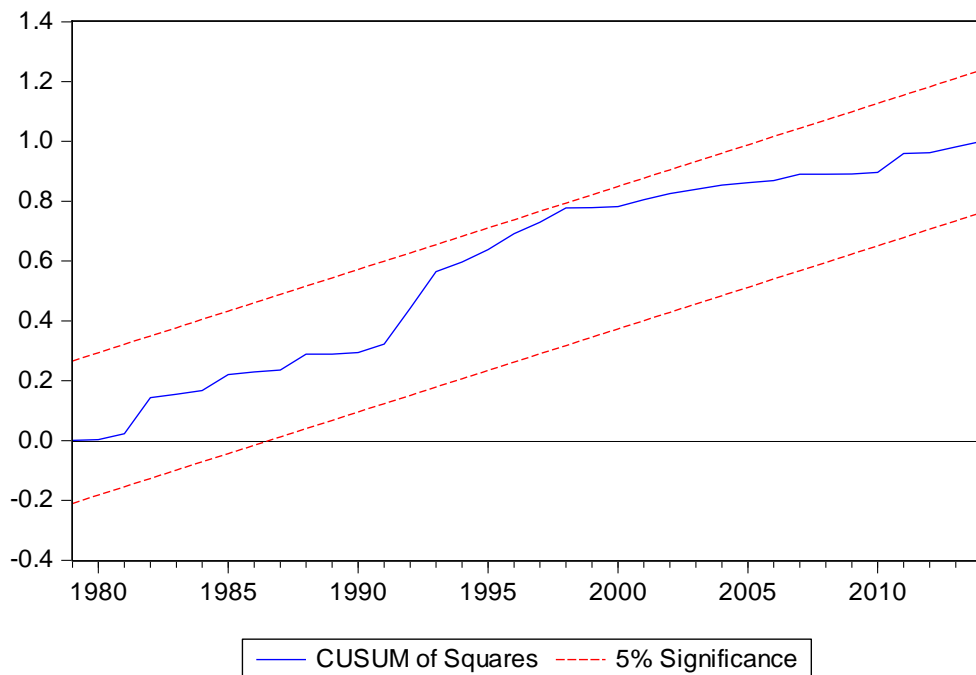
EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of NARDL bounds test is 1.522903 which is less than 2.45 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 24, Figure 19 and Figure 20).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.464467 (0.4999)	-
HE Test	1.501382 (0.2131)	-
CO Test	0.332723 (0.5676)	-
NO Test	-	0.580353 (0.748131)

**Table 24:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Kenya



**Figure 19:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Kenya



**Figure 20:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Kenya

### 3.5.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Kenya

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of bootstrap bounds test is 1.039 which is less than 3.017 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 25).

EKC relationship for Kenya is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	4,573	3,565	3,017
1,039			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,732		
% of Failed Iterations	5,01		

**Table 25:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Kenya

## 3.6 Malaysia

### 3.6.1 ARDL Model for Malaysia

F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 2.123685 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 28, Figure 21 and Figure 22).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-0.812087	-7.925199 (1%)
GDP	-1.609171	-5.623014 (1%)
SQ	-1.202713	-5.735102 (1%)
ENC	-1.100023	-6.933648 (1%)

**Table 26:** UR Results for Malaysia

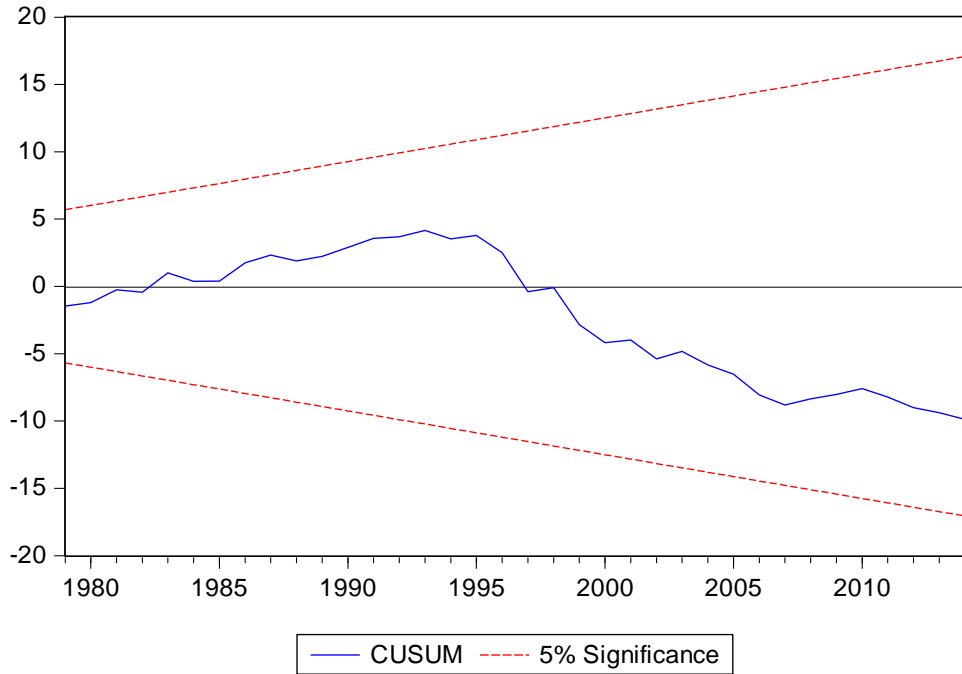
Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	107.7948	NA	6.55e-08	-5.189738	-5.020850	-5.128674
1	290.6584	320.0113*	1.57e-11*	-13.53292*	-12.68848*	-13.22760*
2	301.6118	16.97788	2.07e-11	-13.28059	-11.76060	-12.73101
3	310.7440	12.32840	3.12e-11	-12.93720	-10.74166	-12.14336
4	321.7938	12.70732	4.56e-11	-12.68969	-9.818597	-11.65159

**Table 27:** Lag Length Results for Malaysia

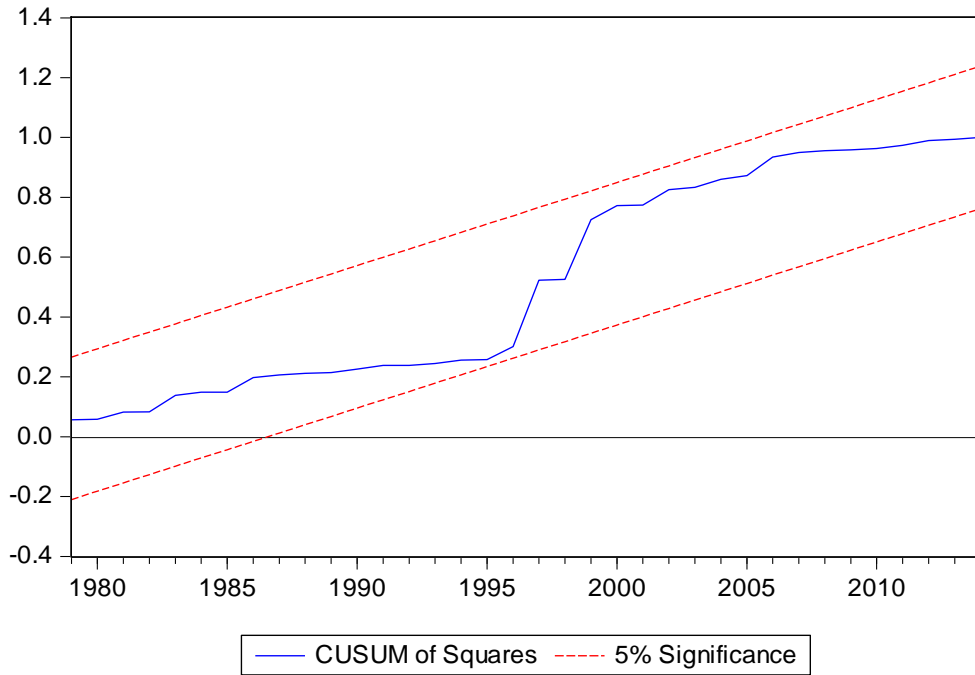


	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.316377 (0.5774)	-
HE Test	0.958484 (0.4667)	-
CO Test	0.953823 (0.3355)	-
NO Test	-	4.696089 (0.095556)

**Table 28:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Malaysia



**Figure 21:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Malaysia



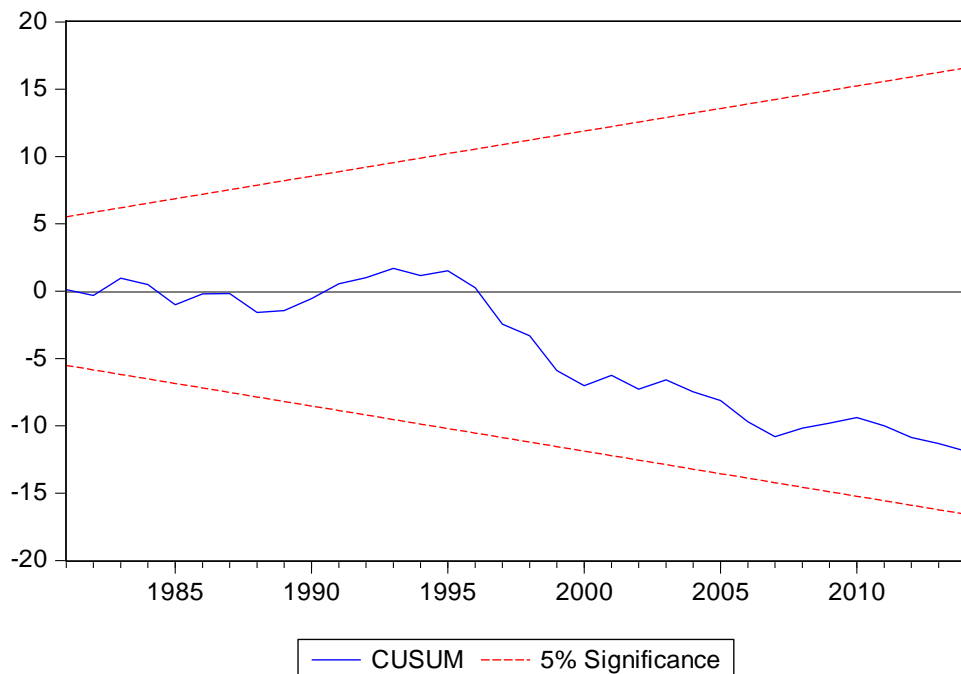
**Figure 22:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Malaysia

### 3.6.2 NARDL Model for Malaysia

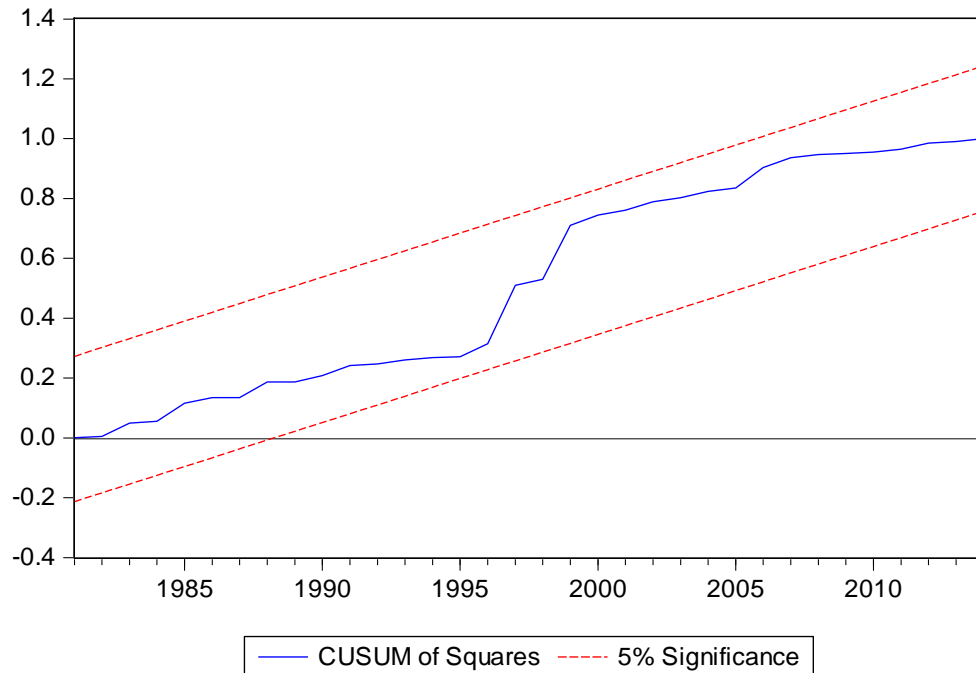
The EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of NARDL bounds test is 2.433700 which is less than 2.45 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 29, Figure 23 and Figure 24).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.106370 (0.7464)	-
HE Test	0.755498 (0.6277)	-
CO Test	0.149734 (0.7013)	-
NO Test	-	2.982530 (0.225088)

**Table 29:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Malaysia



**Figure 23:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Malaysia



**Figure 24:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Malaysia

### 3.6.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Malaysia

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of bootstrap bounds test is 1.734 which is less than 3.549 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 30).

The EKC relationship for Malaysia is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	5,835	4,158	3,549
1,734			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,634		
% of Failed Iterations	0,40		

**Table 30:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Malaysia

### 3.7 Nigeria

#### 3.7.1 ARDL Model for Nigeria

F-statistics value of ARDL bounds test is 2.514236 which is less than 3.17 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. ARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 33, Figure 25 and Figure 26).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-1.842214	-6.859844 (1%)
GDP	-0.043059	-5.388869 (1%)
SQ	0.007482	-5.409939 (1%)

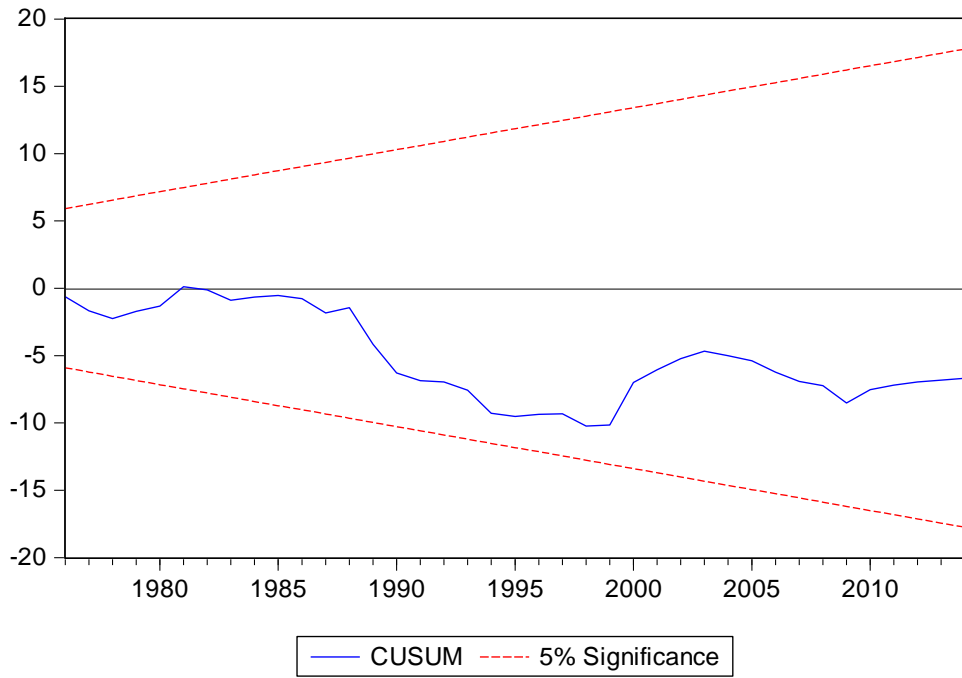
**Table 31: UR Results for Nigeria**

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	66.52077	NA	8.38e-06	-3.176038	-3.049373	-3.130240
1	164.9171	177.1134*	9.61e-08*	-7.645856*	-7.139192*	-7.462662*
2	170.6500	9.459327	1.14e-07	-7.482502	-6.595840	-7.161913
3	173.0940	3.665988	1.62e-07	-7.154702	-5.888042	-6.696718
4	180.8384	10.45489	1.80e-07	-7.091920	-5.445262	-6.496540

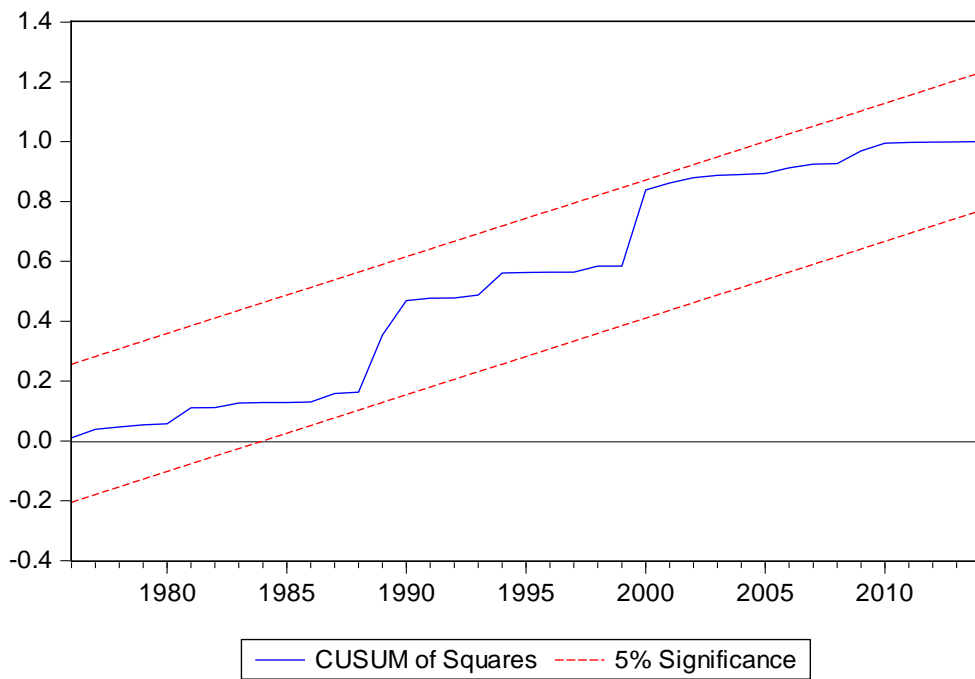
**Table 32: Lag Length Results for Nigeria**

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.565077 (0.4569)	-
HE Test	0.908781 (0.4456)	-
CO Test	0.075168 (0.7854)	-
NO Test	-	3.578386 (0.167095)

**Table 33: Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Nigeria**



**Figure 25: CUSUM Test Results for ARDL Model of Nigeria**



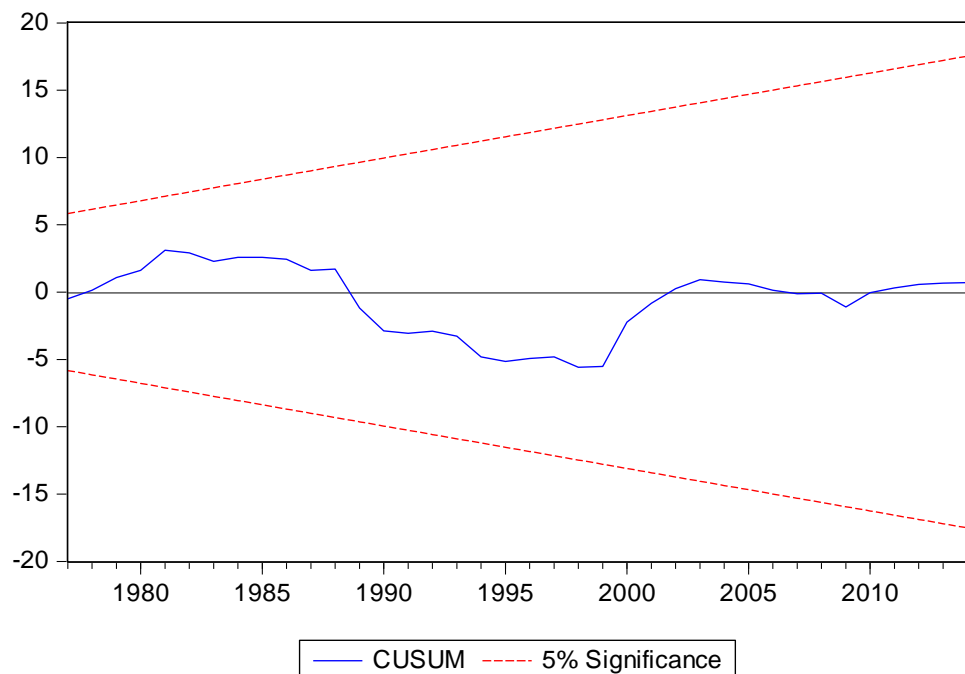
**Figure 26: CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Nigeria**

### 3.7.2 NARDL Model for Nigeria

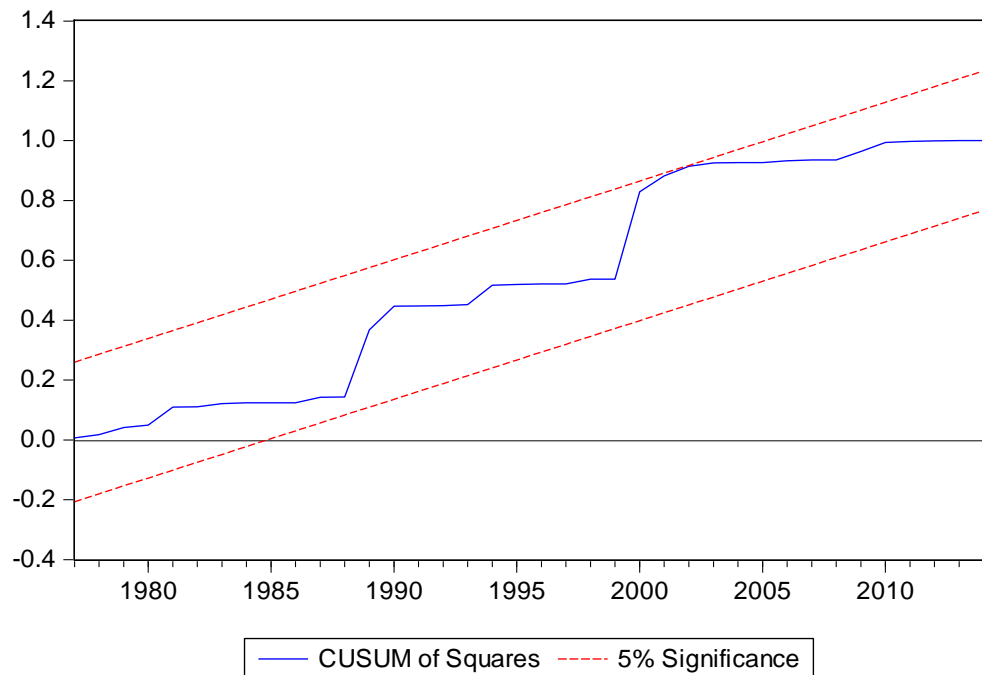
EKC relationship is investigated between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. F-statistics value of NARDL bounds test is 1.752091 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables. NARDL model is stable according to stability test results (see Table 34, Figure 27 and Figure 28).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	1.366422 (0.2499)	-
HE Test	0.972247 (0.4340)	-
CO Test	0.129758 (0.7207)	-
NO Test	-	3.816231 (0.148360)

**Table 34:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Nigeria



**Figure 27:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Nigeria



**Figure 28:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Nigeria

### 3.7.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Nigeria

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to investigate the relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. F-statistics value of bootstrap bounds test is 2.943 which is less than 4.084 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 35).

EKC relationship for Nigeria is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1971 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	6,799	4,701	4,084
2,943			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,273		
% of Failed Iterations	0,30		

**Table 35:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Nigeria

## CHAPTER 4

### EKC FOR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

EKC hypothesis is tested for Austria, Belgium, Sweden and Finland. CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ nexus is examined for Austria and Belgium. CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus is examined for Sweden and Finland. ARDL, NARDL, bootstrap ARDL models are used for Austria, Belgium and Sweden. Bootstrap ARDL model is used for Finland.

#### 4.1 Austria

##### 4.1.1 ARDL Model for Austria

CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ are at I(0) level according to unit root test results (see Table 36). Lag length is determined according to results in VAR model (see Table 37). F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 3.416260 which is less than 3.79 which is I0 bound value of 5%. No cointegration is found between the variables. The model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 38, Figure 29 and Figure 30).

	Level	First Difference
CO2	-3.133450 (5%)	-
GDP	-4.903690 (1%)	-
SQ	-4.436952 (1%)	-

**Table 36:** UR Results for Austria

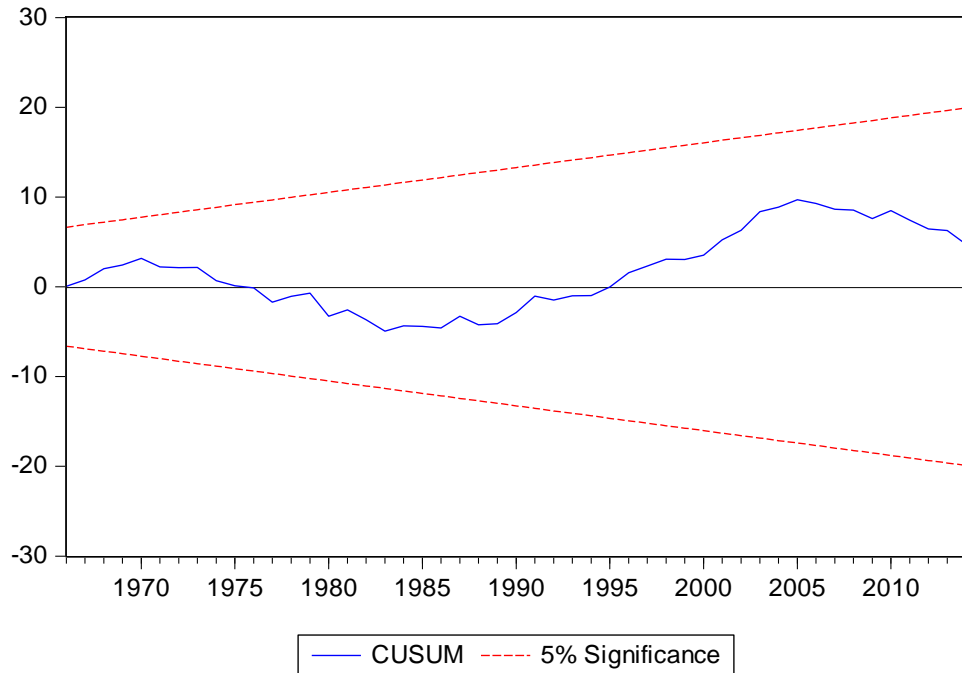
Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	86.53999	NA	7.58e-06	-3.276078	-3.162441	-3.232654
1	382.7950	546.0386*	9.73e-11*	-14.54098*	-14.08643*	-14.36728*
2	390.0355	12.49355	1.05e-10	-14.47198	-13.67652	-14.16801
3	397.1514	11.44119	1.14e-10	-14.39809	-13.26173	-13.96385
4	401.7567	6.862818	1.38e-10	-14.22575	-12.74848	-13.66124

**Table 37:** Lag Length Results for Austria

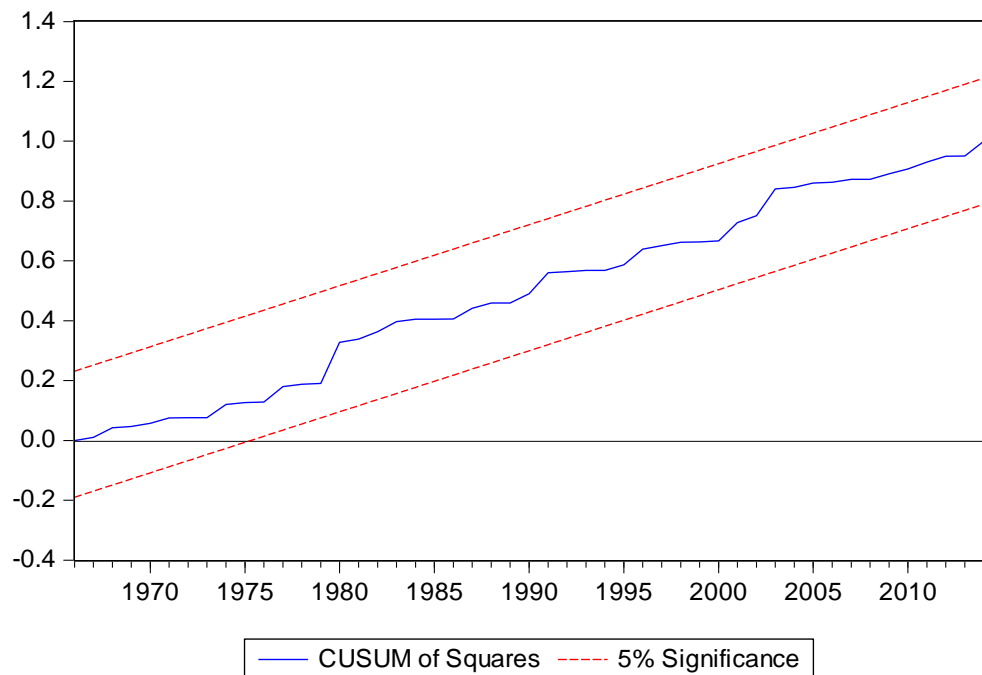


	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.247251 (0.6213)	-
HE Test	1.486298 (0.2208)	-
CO Test	2.280692 (0.1375)	-
NO Test	-	0.785855 (0.675078)

**Table 38:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Austria



**Figure 29:** CUSUM Test Results for ARDL Model of Austria



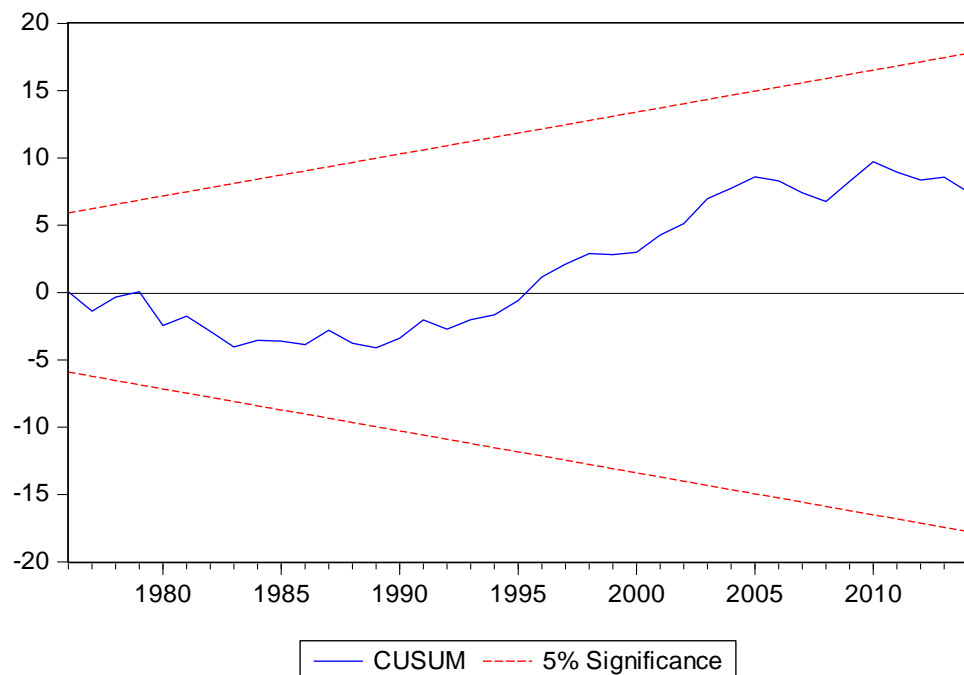
**Figure 30:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Austria

#### 4.1.2 NARDL Model for Austria

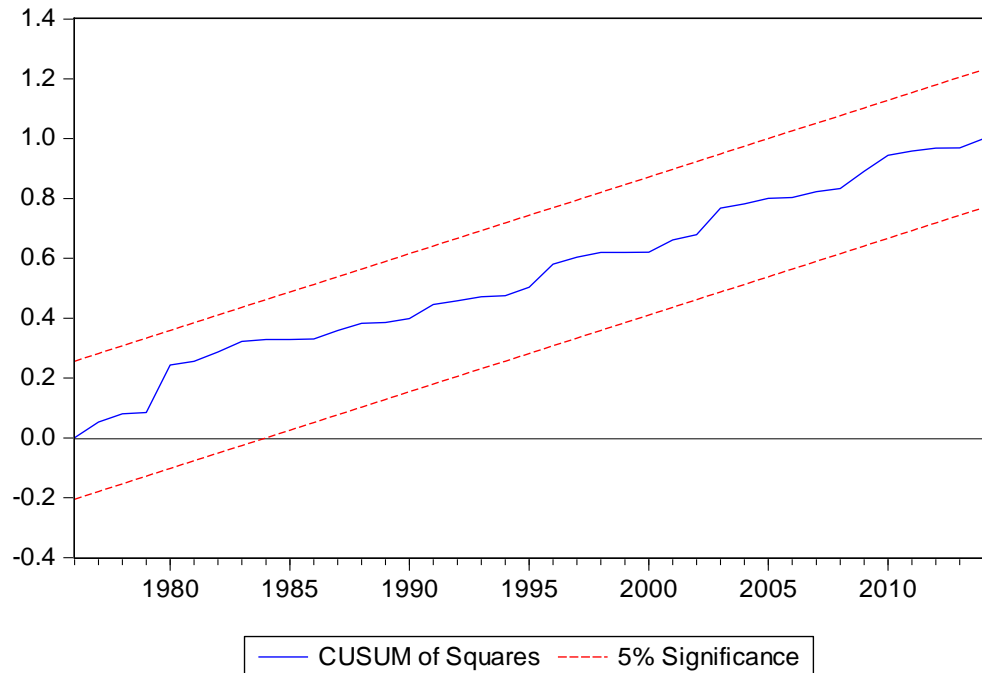
F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 3.414855 which is less than 3.69 which is I0 bound value of 2.5%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. NARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 39, Figure 31 and Figure 32).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	3.455631 (0.0693)	-
HE Test	1.289953 (0.2839)	-
CO Test	1.907379 (0.1738)	-
NO Test	-	0.491049 (0.782294)

**Table 39:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Austria



**Figure 31:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Austria



**Figure 32:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Austria

#### 4.1.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Austria

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to analyze the cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 1,326 which is less than 4,352 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 40). No cointegration is found between the variables.

The EKC relationship for Austria is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1960 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
1,326	6,801	5,113	4,352
Bootstrap P-Value	0,916		
% of Failed Iterations	0,30		

**Table 40:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Austria

## 4.2 Belgium

#### 4.2.1 ARDL Model for Belgium

CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ are at I(0) level according to unit root test results (see Table 41). Lag length is determined according to results in VAR model (see Table 42). F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is

2.391979 which is less than 3.17 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables. The model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 43, Figure 33 and Figure 34).

	Level	First Difference
CO2	-3.133450 (5%)	-
GDP	-4.903690 (1%)	-
SQ	-4.436952 (1%)	-

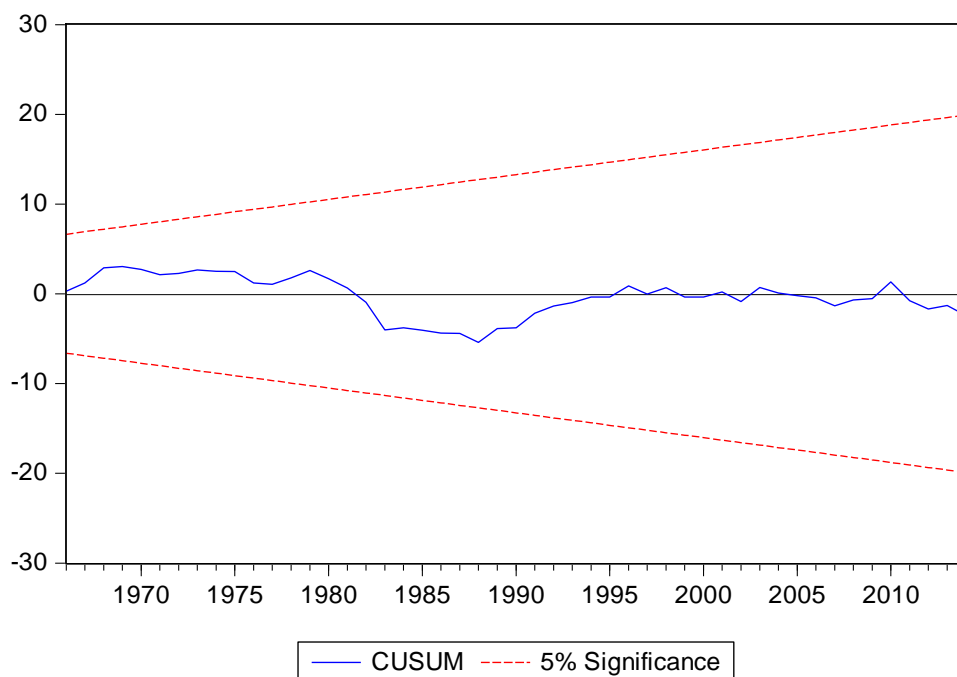
**Table 41:** UR Results for Belgium

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	86.53999	NA	7.58e-06	-3.276078	-3.162441	-3.232654
1	382.7950	546.0386*	9.73e-11*	-14.54098*	-14.08643*	-14.36728*
2	390.0355	12.49355	1.05e-10	-14.47198	-13.67652	-14.16801
3	397.1514	11.44119	1.14e-10	-14.39809	-13.26173	-13.96385
4	401.7567	6.862818	1.38e-10	-14.22575	-12.74848	-13.66124

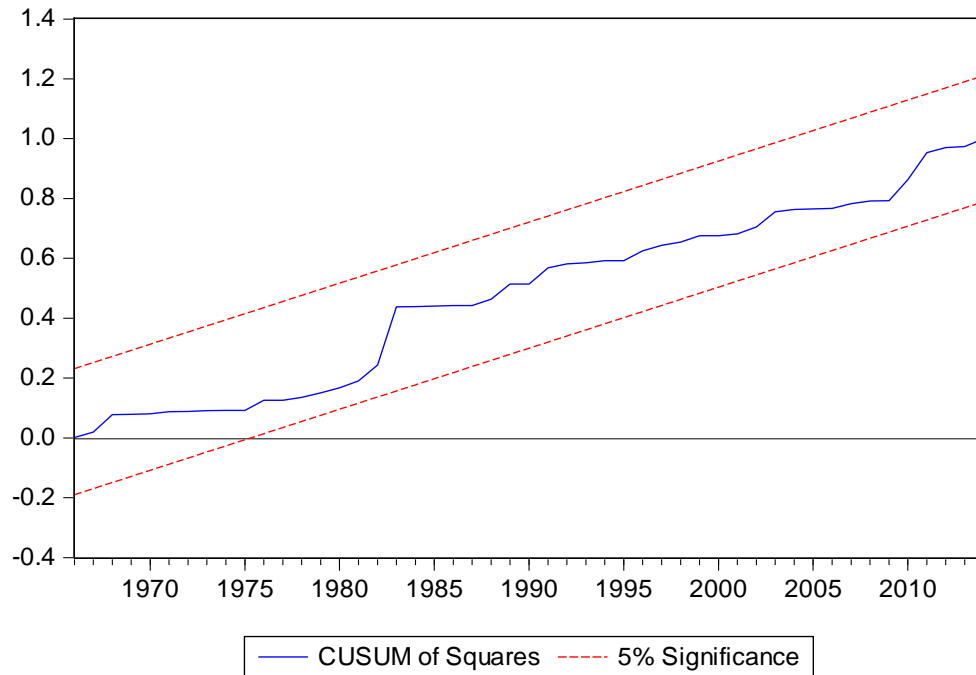
**Table 42:** Lag Length Results for Belgium

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.247251 (0.6213)	-
HE Test	1.486298 (0.2208)	-
CO Test	2.280692 (0.1375)	-
NO Test	-	0.785855 (0.675078)

**Table 43:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Belgium



**Figure 33:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Belgium



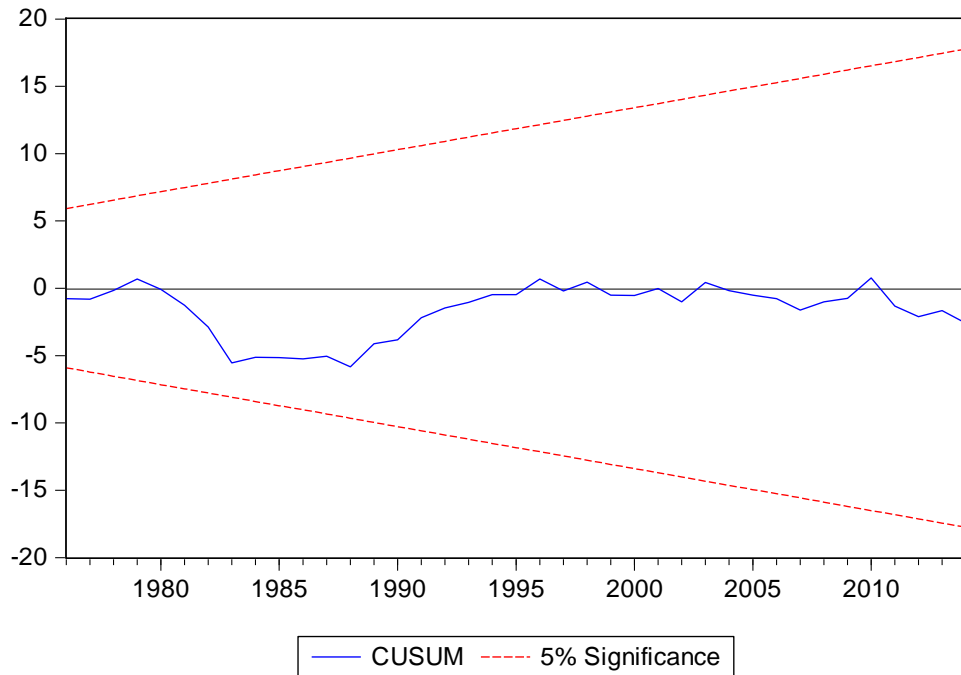
**Figure 34:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Belgium

#### 4.2.2 NARDL Model for Belgium

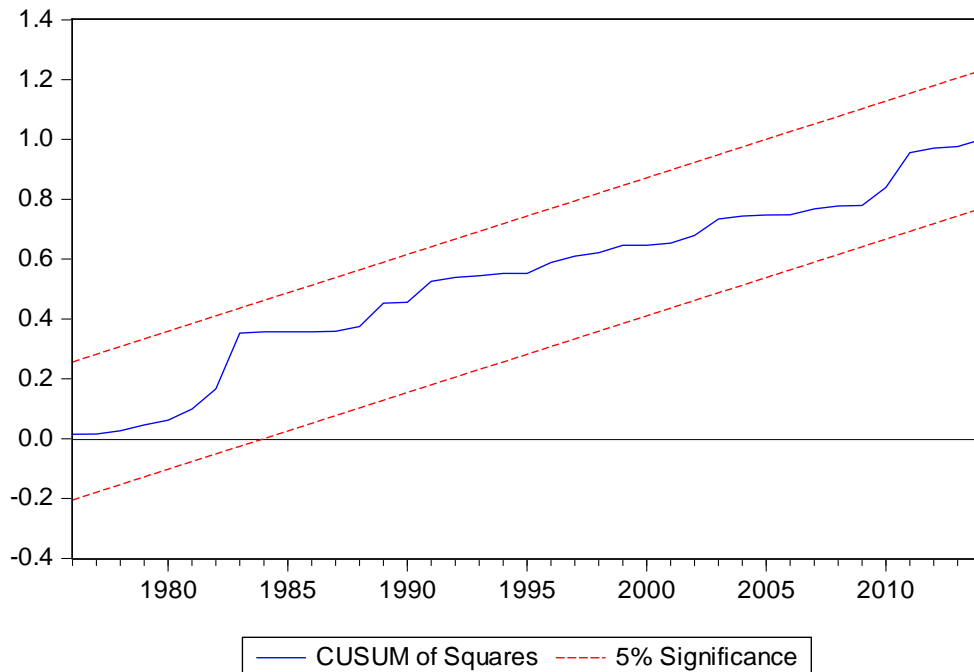
F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 3.414855 which is less than 3.69 which is I0 bound value of 2.5%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. NARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 44, Figure 35 and Figure 36).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.584362 (0.4484)	-
HE Test	0.523887 (0.7570)	-
CO Test	0.932986 (0.3390)	-
NO Test	-	0.277080 (0.870628)

**Table 44:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Belgium



**Figure 35:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Belgium



**Figure 36:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Belgium

#### 4.2.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Belgium

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to analyze the cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ. F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 2,410 which is less than 4,398 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 45). No cointegration is found between the variables.

EKC relationship for Belgium is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1960 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	6,367	5,059	4,398
2,410			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,530		
% of Failed Iterations	0,30		

**Table 45:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Belgium

### 4.3 Sweden

#### 4.3.1 ARDL Model for Sweden

CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and SQ at I(1) level according to unit root test results (see Table 46). ENC is at I(0) level according to unit root test results (see Table 46). Lag length is determined according to results in VAR model (see Table 47). F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 2.204793 which is less than 3.17 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables. The model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 48, Figure 37 and Figure 38).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-0.225651	-7.274891 (1%)
GDP	-2.615928	-5.158945 (1%)
SQ	-2.335217	-5.242850 (1%)
ENC	-3.727088 (1%)	-

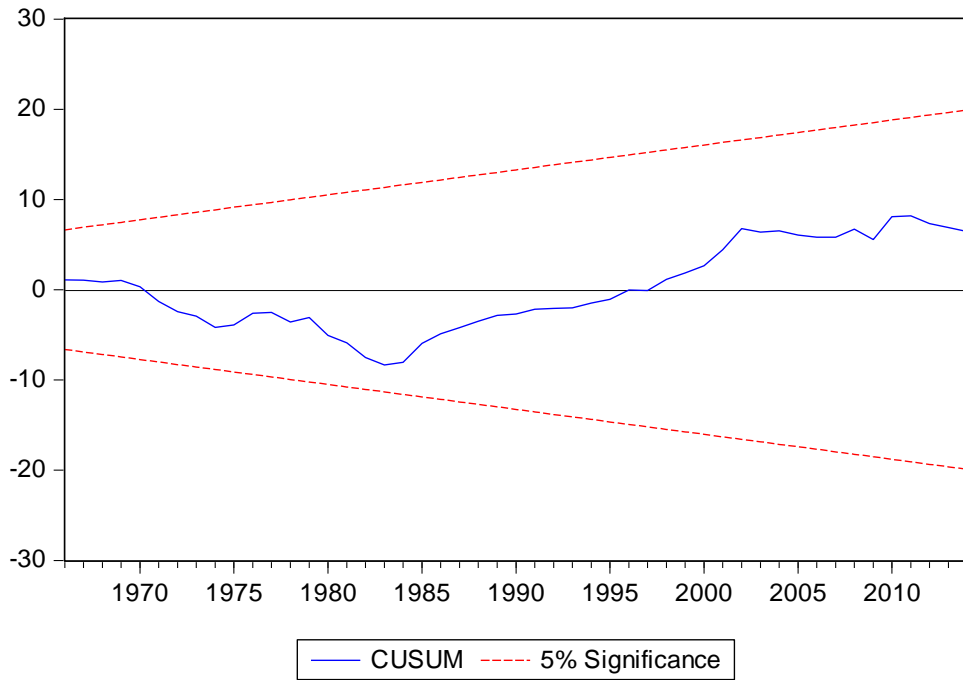
**Table 46:** UR Results for Sweden

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	195.1118	NA	6.54e-09	-7.494581	-7.343066	-7.436683
1	488.6087	529.4454	1.23e-13*	-18.37681*	-17.61923*	-18.08732*
2	495.5768	11.47685	1.78e-13	-18.02262	-16.65898	-17.50153
3	513.2730	26.37076*	1.71e-13	-18.08914	-16.11943	-17.33645
4	525.0277	15.67298	2.15e-13	-17.92266	-15.34689	-16.93838

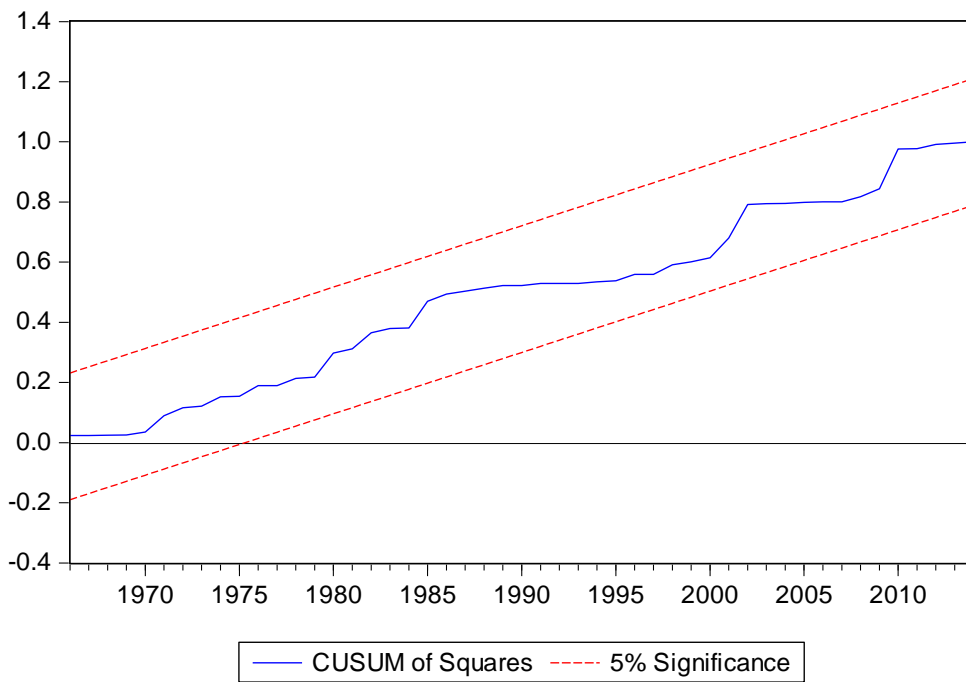
**Table 47:** Lag Length Results for Sweden

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	3.266973 (0.0770)	-
HE Test	0.354577 (0.8396)	-
CO Test	0.041909 (0.8387)	-
NO Test	-	2.646303 (0.266295)

**Table 48:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Sweden



**Figure 37:** CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Sweden



**Figure 38:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Sweden

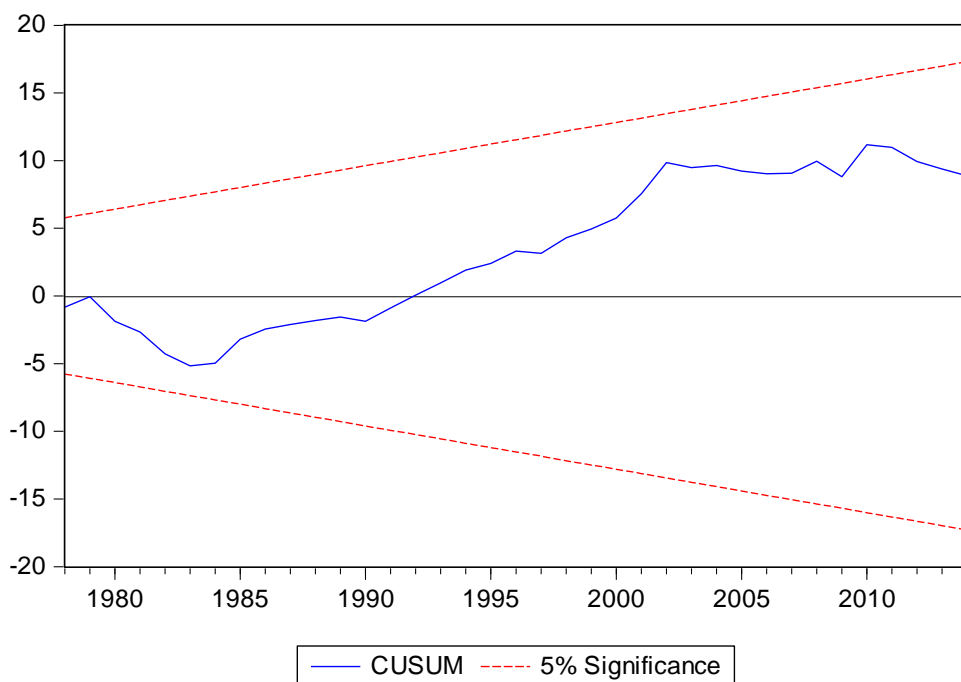


### 4.3.2 NARDL Model for Sweden

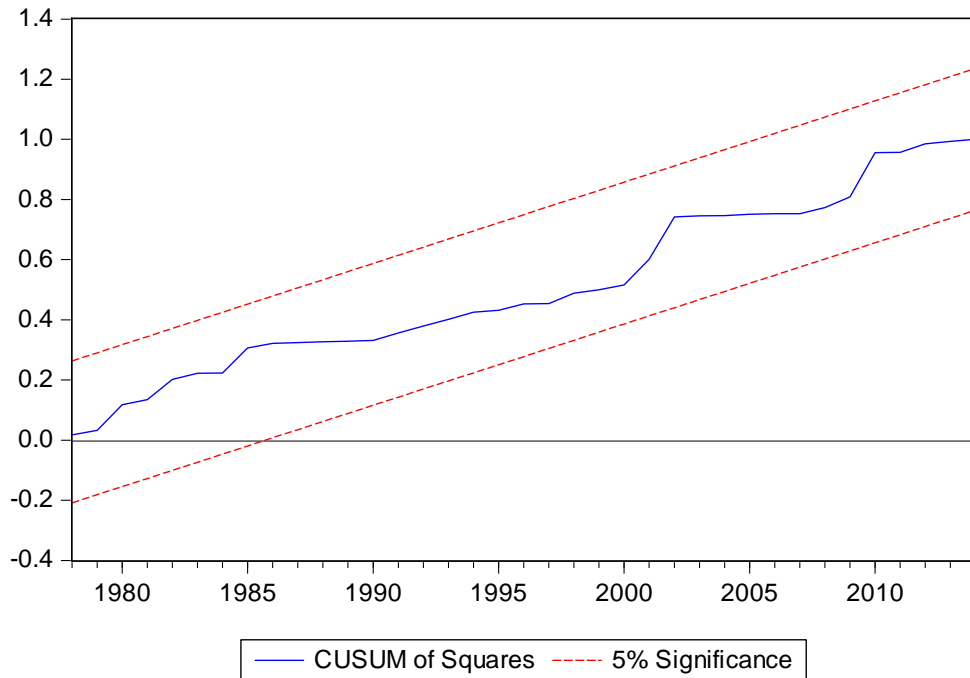
F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 2.443363 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. NARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 49, Figure 39 and Figure 40).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	3.899716 (0.0542)	-
HE Test	0.336214 (0.8885)	-
CO Test	0.077697 (0.7817)	-
NO Test	-	2.523376 (0.283176)

**Table 49:** Stability Test Results for NARDL Model of Sweden



**Figure 39:** CSSM Test Results for NARDL Model of Sweden



**Figure 40:** CSQM Test Results for NARDL Model of Sweden

#### 4.3.3 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Sweden

Bootstrap ARDL bounds test is applied to analyze the cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 2,894 which is less than 3,393 which is the critical value of 10% (see Table 50). No cointegration is found between the variables.

EKC relationship for Sweden is rejected by ARDL, NARDL and Bootstrap ARDL Models for the period between 1960 and 2014.

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics			
2,894	5,428	3,876	3,393
Bootstrap P-Value	0,179		
% of Failed Iterations	0,70		

**Table 50:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Sweden

## 4.4 Finland

### 4.4.1 Bootstrap ARDL Model for Finland

GDP and SQ at I(1) level according to unit root test results (see Table 51). CO2 and ENC is at I(0) level according to unit root test results (see Table 51). F-statistics value of bounds cointegration test is 3,079 which is less than 3,907 which is I0 bound value of 10%. No cointegration is found between the variables.

The EKC relationship for Finland is rejected by Bootstrap ARDL Model for the period between 1960 and 2014.

	Level	First Difference
CO2	-3.660118 (1%)	-
GDP	-1.906532	-4.664511 (1%)
SQ	-1.503688	-4.866067 (1%)
ENC	-3.611055 (1%)	-

**Table 51:** UR Results for Finland

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
3,079	6,629	4,644	3,907
Bootstrap P-Value	0,214		
% of Failed Iterations	1,60		

**Table 52:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Finland

## CHAPTER 5

### EKC: CASE OF DENMARK, SPAIN AND UK

CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC nexus and CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus are tested for Denmark, Spain and UK.

#### 5.1 Denmark

##### 5.1.1 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and ENC Nexus

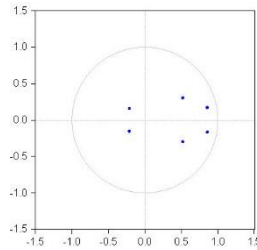
CO<sub>2</sub> is at I(1) level according to unit root test results. GDP, SQ and ENC are at I(0) level according to unit root test results (see Table 53). According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 1.304455 which is less than 3.17 which is I0 bound value of 10%. Also, according to Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 2,139 which is less than 4,016 which is the critical value of 10%. According to ARDL bounds test and Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, there is no cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and ENC (see Table 57). ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 54). The Toda and Yamamoto Granger non-causality test is applied to analyze the causal relationships between the variables. VAR model is stable according to the stability tests (see Figure 41 and Table 55). According to granger causality test results, there is unidirectional causality from energy consumption to CO<sub>2</sub>. No other causal relationships are found between the variables (see Table 56).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	-1.528636	-7.955326 (1%)
GDP	-3.623015 (1%)	-
SQ	-3.391508 (1%)	-
ENC	-4.039929 (1%)	-

**Table 53:** UR Results for Denmark

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
HE Test	2.194069 (0.0703)	-
CO Test	0.769838 (0.3847)	-
NO Test	-	0.078324 (0.961595)

**Table 54:** Stability Test Results for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for Denmark



**Figure 41:** VMSR of CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for Denmark

Lags	LM-Stat	Prob
1	11.89	0.21
2	12.74	0.17
3	4.39	0.88
4	8.63	0.47
5	21.30	0.01
6	2.61	0.97
7	8.85	0.45
8	2.90	0.96
9	11.24	0.25
10	8.77	0.45

**Table 55:** VRSC LM Test Results of CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for Denmark

D. V.: DLNCO <sub>2</sub>			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNEN	7.27	2	0.0263
LNGDP	1.31	2	0.5185
All	7.81	4	0.0985
D. V.: DLNEN			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNCO <sub>2</sub>	5.04	2	0.0804
LNGDP	0.33	2	0.8457
All	5.77	4	0.2170
D. V.: DLNGDP			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNCO <sub>2</sub>	0.39	2	0.8227
LNEN	0.74	2	0.6882
All	1.59	4	0.8092

**Table 56:** VGC Tests Results of CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for Denmark

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
2,139	6,177	4,552	4,016
Bootstrap P-Value	0,536		
% of Failed Iterations	0,40		

**Table 57:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for Denmark

### 5.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC Nexus

According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 1.668074 which is less than 2.72 which is I(0) bound value of 10%. Also, according to Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 1,961 which is less than 3,734 which is the critical value of 10%. According to ARDL bounds test and Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, there is no cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC (see Table 59). ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 58).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
HE Test	1.541021 (0.1775)	-
CO Test	3.249617 (0.0781)	-
NO Test	-	0.060910 (0.970004)

**Table 58:** Stability Test Results for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus for Denmark

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
1,961	5,503	4,422	3,734
Bootstrap P-Value	0,600		
% of Failed Iterations	0,60		

**Table 59:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus for Denmark

## 5.2 Spain

### 5.2.1 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and ENC Nexus

CO<sub>2</sub> and ENC are at I(0) level according to unit root test results. GDP and SQ are at I(1) level according to unit root test results (see Table 60). According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 0.485180 which is less than 3.17 which is I(0) bound value of 10%. Also, according to Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 4,338 which is less than 4,431 which is the critical value of 10%.

According to ARDL bounds test and Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, there is no cointegration between CO2, GDP and ENC (see Table 64). ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 61). The Toda and Yamamoto Granger non-causality test is applied to analyze the causal relationships between the variables. VAR model is stable according to the stability tests (see Figure 42 and Table 62). No causal relationships are found between the variables (see Table 63).

	Level	First Difference
CO2	-3.228253 (5%)	-
GDP	-2.245149	-3.518072 (5%)
SQ	-2.138252	-3.462570 (5%)
ENC	-5.484892 (1%)	-

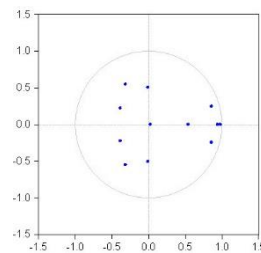
**Table 60:** UR Results for Spain

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
HE Test	1.671547 (0.1326)	-
CO Test	1.911894 (0.1604)	-
NO Test	-	0.365967 (0.832782)

**Table 61:** Stability Test Results for CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for Spain

Lags	LM-Stat	Prob
1	9.86	0.3616
2	7.68	0.5664
3	4.39	0.8839
4	15.14	0.0870
5	10.26	0.3298
6	5.63	0.7762

**Table 62:** VRSC LM Test Results of CO2-GDO-ENC Nexus for Spain



**Figure 42:** VMSR of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for Spain

D. V.: DLNCO2			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNEN	5.32	4	0.2556
LNGDP	3.09	4	0.5426
All	9.26	8	0.3208
D. V.: DLNEN			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNCO2	3.20	4	0.5245
LNGDP	6.30	4	0.1776
All	9.47	8	0.3036
D. V.: DLNGDP			
Excl.	Chi-sq	Df	Pb.
LNCO2	2.08	4	0.7198
LNEN	0.39	4	0.9826
All	2.94	8	0.9379

**Table 63:** VGC of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for Spain

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
4,338	6,868	5,251	4,431
Bootstrap P-Value	0,108		
% of Failed Iterations	0,80		

**Table 64:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for Spain

### 5.2.2 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC Nexus

According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 1.332407 which is less than 2.72 which is I0 bound value of 10%. According to Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 2,105 which is less than 4,111 which is the critical value of 10%. According to ARDL bounds test and Bootstrap ARDL bounds test results, there is no cointegration between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC (see Table 66). ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 65).

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
HE Test	1.547478 (0.1519)	-
CO Test	2.312284 (0.1125)	-
NO Test	-	2.791425 (0.247657)

**Table 65:** Stability Test Results for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus for Spain



PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
2,105	6,238	4,575	4,111
Bootstrap P-Value	0,594		
% of Failed Iterations	0,40		

**Table 66:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus for Spain

## 5.3 UK

### 5.3.1 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP and ENC Nexus

CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC are at I(1) level according to unit root test results (see Table 67). Johansen cointegration test is applied to examine the long run relationship between the variables. According to cointegration test results, there is no cointegration between the variables (see Table 68). Granger causality is examined between the variables (see Table 71). Unidirectional causality from CO<sub>2</sub> to EN is found for UK. No other causal relationship is found between the variables. VAR model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 69, Table 70 and Figure 43).

	Level	First Difference
CO <sub>2</sub>	1.783106	-8.822031 (1%)
GDP	-1.438637	-4.901942 (1%)
SQ	-1.299673	-4.886959 (1%)
ENC	-0.581018	-6.910146 (1%)

**Table 67:** UR Results for UK

UCRT (Tr.)				
Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Ei.	Tr. Stat.	0.05 C.V.	Prob.
None	0.24	24.61	29.79	0.1758
At most 1	0.17	10.18	15.49	0.2668
At most 2	0.001	0.07	3.84	0.7779
UCRT (Max. Ei.)				
Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Ei.	Tr. Stat.	0.05 C. V.	Prob.
None	0.24	14.4	21.13	0.3311
At most 1	0.17	10.1	14.26	0.2051
At most 2	0.001	0.079	3.84	0.7779

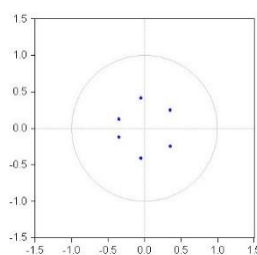
**Table 68:** Results for JCT of CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK

Lags	LM-Stat	Prob
1	8.19	0.5146
2	7.83	0.5509

**Table 69:** VRSC LM Test Results of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK

Joint test		
Chi-sq	Df	Prob.
83.06	72	0.1752

**Table 70:** VRHT of CO2-GDP-EN Nexus for UK



**Figure 43:** VMSR of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK

D. V.: DLNCO2			
Excl.	Chi-sq	df	Pb.
LNEN	3.61	2	0.1643
LNGDP	3.54	2	0.1700
All	8.33	4	0.0800
D. V.: DLNEN			
Excl.	Chi-sq	df	Pb.
LNCO2	7.27	2	0.0263
LNGDP	2.83	2	0.2418
All	8.54	4	0.0734
D. V.: DLNGDP			
Excl.	Chi-sq	df	Pb.
LNCO2	1.02	2	0.5976
LNEN	2.96	2	0.2274
All	5.59	4	0.2319

**Table 71:** VGC/BEW Tests Results of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK

Variance decomposition analysis and impulse response analysis are carried out to analyze the impact and influence of variables to each other. According

to variance decomposition analysis, CO2 can cause significant fluctuation in ENC and GDP in the short run and in the long run. According to impulse response analysis, CO2 and ENC have no impact on GDP in the long run.

Per.	S.E.	DLNCO2	DLNEN	DLNGDP
1	0.03	100.00	0.00	0.00
2	0.03	89.44	5.00	5.55
3	0.04	89.30	5.45	5.24
4	0.04	88.62	5.79	5.58
5	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60
6	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60
7	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60
8	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60
9	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60
10	0.04	88.49	5.89	5.60

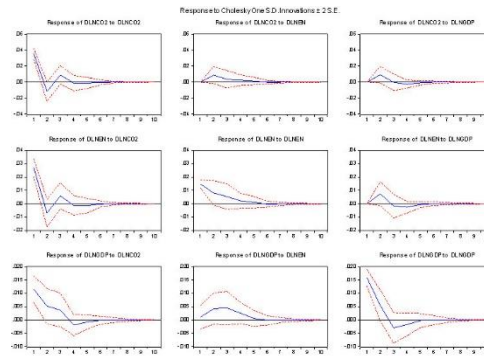
  

Per.	S.E.	DLNCO2	DLNEN	DLNGDP
1	0.03	76.83	23.16	0.00
2	0.03	69.54	25.46	4.99
3	0.03	68.61	26.40	4.97
4	0.03	67.98	26.52	5.49
5	0.03	67.94	26.54	5.51
6	0.03	67.93	26.54	5.51
7	0.03	67.93	26.54	5.51
8	0.03	67.93	26.54	5.51
9	0.03	67.93	26.54	5.51
10	0.03	67.93	26.54	5.51

Per.	S.E.	DLNCO2	DLNEN	DLNGDP
1	0.01	34.55	0.26	65.18
2	0.02	34.77	4.20	61.01
3	0.02	34.56	7.83	57.60
4	0.02	34.38	8.92	56.69
5	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.59
6	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.58
7	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.58
8	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.58
9	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.58
10	0.02	34.42	8.98	56.58

**Table 72:** VDDA of CO2, ENC and GDP of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK



**Figure 44:** IRRA of CO2-GDP-ENC Nexus for UK

### 5.3.2 CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC Nexus

Johansen cointegration test is applied to examine the long run relationship between CO<sub>2</sub>, GDP, SQ and ENC. According to Johansen cointegration test results, no cointegration is found between the variables (see Table 73).

UCRT (Tr.)				
Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Ei.	Tr. Stat.	0.05 C.V.	Prob.
None	0.31	38.41	47.85	0.2842
At most 1	0.25	18.28	29.79	0.5450
At most 2	0.04	2.81	15.49	0.9747
At most 3	0.006	0.33	3.84	0.5602
UCRT (Max. Ei.)				
Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Ei.	Tr. Stat.	0.05 C.V.	Prob.
None	0.31	20.13	27.58	0.3322
At most 1	0.25	15.47	21.13	0.2572
At most 2	0.04	2.47	14.26	0.9754
At most 3	0.006	0.33	3.84	0.5602

**Table 73:** Results for JCT of CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus of GDP for UK

## CHAPTER 6

### COAL CONSUMPTION ENVIRONMENTAL KUZNETS CURVE: CASE OF NEW ZEALAND AND FINLAND

Coal consumption-GDP-SQ nexus is examined for New Zealand for the period between 1980 and 2015. Coal consumption-GDP-SQ nexus is also examined for Finland for the period between 1980 and 2013. ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL and ARDL Dynamic Multiplier models are used in this chapter.

#### 6.1 New Zealand

##### 6.1.1 ARDL Model

CS, GDP and SQ are at I(1) level according to unit root test results (see Table 74). Lag length is determined according to results in VAR model (see Table 75). According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 7.541927 which is more than 6.36 which is I1 bound value of 1%. ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 76, Figure 45 and Figure 46). ARDL-ECM (ARDL Error Correction Model) is run and according to the results, coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed for New Zealand. The long run coefficient of GDP is positive and significant at 5%, and the long run coefficient of SQ is negative and significant at 5%.

	Level	First Difference
CS	-1.169973	-6.304463 (1%)
GDP	-0.662049	-3.789428 (1%)
SQ	-0.577469	-3.828574 (1%)

**Table 74:** UR Results for New Zealand

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	-18.06897	NA	0.000749	1.316810	1.454223	1.362359
1	73.21686	159.7502	4.39e-06	-3.826053	-3.276402	-3.643860
2	89.18937	24.95706*	2.89e-06	-4.261836	-3.299947*	-3.942997*
3	98.79603	13.20915	2.91e-06	-4.299752	-2.925624	-3.844267
4	109.3961	12.58764	2.86e-06*	-4.399759*	-2.613393	-3.807629

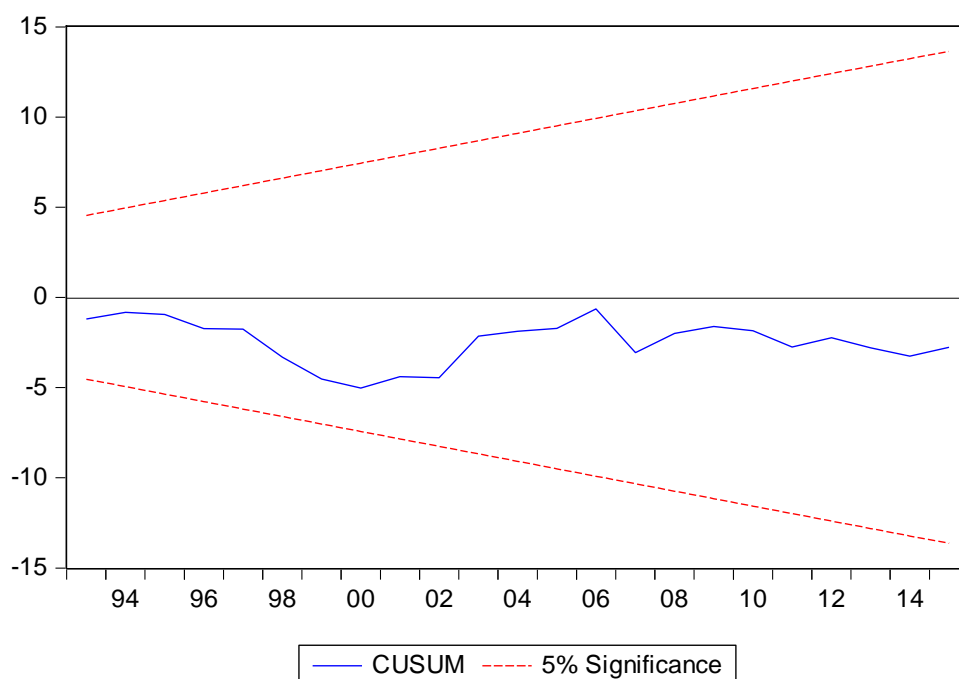
**Table 75:** Lag Length Results for New Zealand

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	1.476031 (0.2373)	-
HE Test	1.047418 (0.4348)	-
CO Test	0.758028 (0.5653)	-
NO Test	-	2.041149 (0.360388)

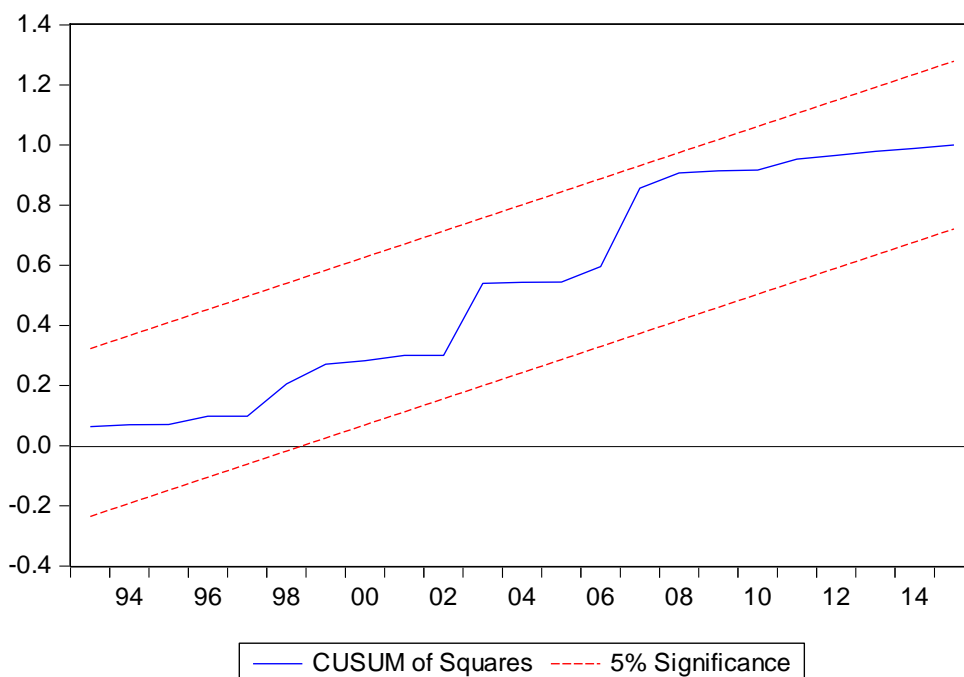
**Table 76:** Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of New Zealand

	Variable	Coef.	Standard Error	t-Stat.	Probability
Short-run Coefficients	D(CS(-1))	0.102793	0.157636	0.652091	0.5208
	D(CS(-2))	0.271383	0.144308	1.880587	0.0728
	D(GDP)	4.770916	3.168924	1.505532	0.1458
	D(GDP(-1))	-14.263593	3.857773	-3.697365	0.0012
	D(SQ)	-0.231627	0.161423	-1.434910	0.1648
	D(SQ(-1))	0.742427	0.197288	3.763160	0.0010
	CointEq(-1)	-0.442717	0.114486	-3.866995	0.0008
Long-run Coefficients	GDP	12.129168	3.458242	3.507322	0.0019
	SQ	-0.599427	0.177671	-3.373797	0.0026
	C	-60.796118	16.791139	-3.620726	0.0014

**Table 77:** ARDL-ECM Test Results for New Zealand



**Figure 45:** CUSUM Test Results for ARDL Model of New Zealand



**Figure 46:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of New Zealand

### 6.1.2 Bootstrap ARDL Model

According to Bootstrap ARDL Bounds Tests, there is long run relationship between CS, GDP and SQ (see Table 78, Table 79 and Table 80). ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Error Correction Model is run and coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed according to the results (see Table 81, Figure 47 and Figure 48).

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	6,308	4,550	3,919
5,702			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,032		
% of Failed Iterations	0,90		

**Table 78:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for New Zealand

BDM BS T Test	Critical Values		
	1%	5%	10%
Initial Test Statistics	11,258	7,405	6,122
8,390			
Bootstrap P-Value	0,033		
% of Failed Iterations	2,90		

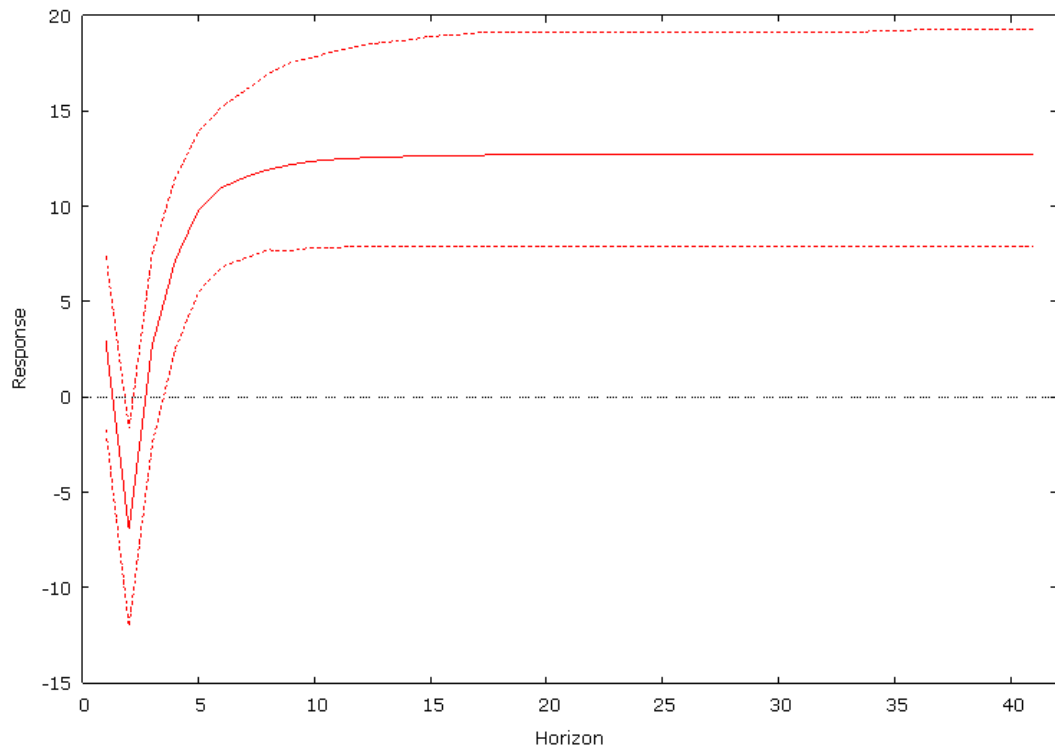
**Table 79:** BDM Bootstrap T-Test Based on ARDL Model for New Zealand

Lags	AIC	BIC	HQ
1	-1,2399	-0,9705	-1,1480
2	-1,4991*	-1,0951	-1,3613

**Table 80:** Lag Selection Results for New Zealand

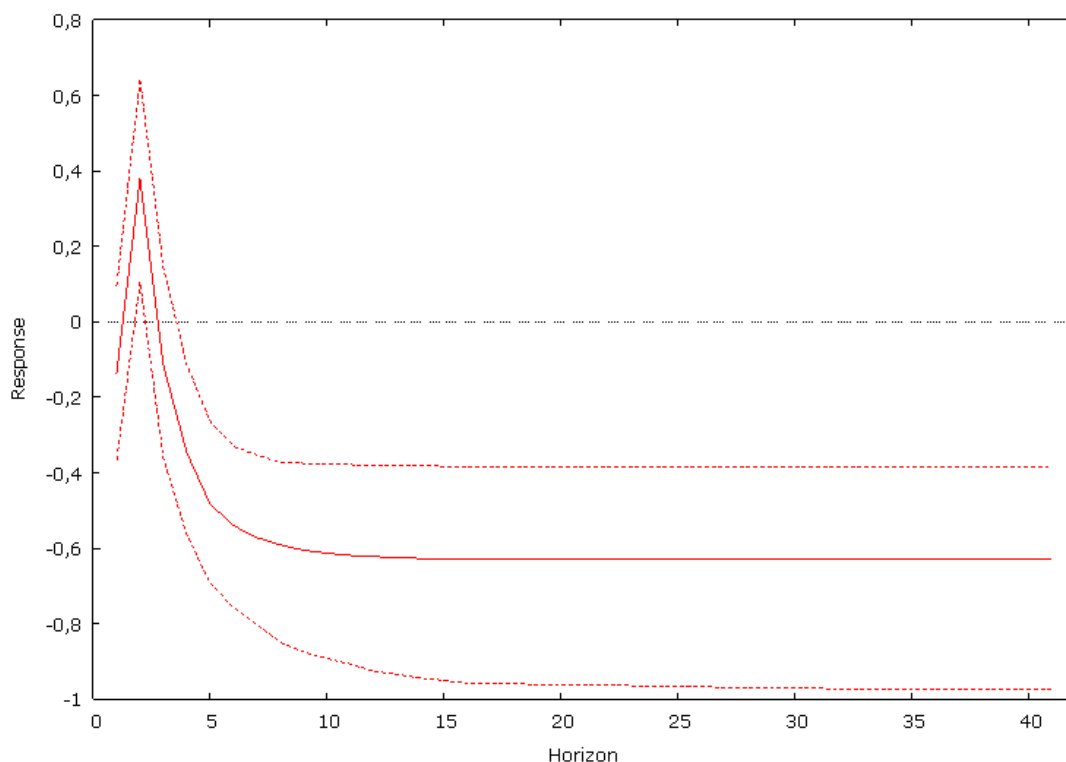
Error Correction Rho (Bootstrap Values)			
	Mean	Median	S.D.
Rho	-0,4839	-0,4679	0,1321
Long-Run Multipliers (Bootstrap Values)			
	Mean	Median	S.D.
CS	1,2333	1,1374	0,6671
GDP	13,0108	12,7031	3,3887
SQ	-0,6464	-0,6305	0,1747
Bewley's long-run multipliers (2SLS point estimates)			
	Coefficient	S.D.	
GDP	13,5888	3,3484	
SQ	-0,6772	0,1715	

**Table 81:** ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Model Error Correction Bootstrap Coefficient Estimates



**Figure 47:** Shock of GDP on CS for New Zealand





**Figure 48:** Shock of SQ on CS for New Zealand

## 6.2 Finland

### 6.2.1 ARDL Model

CS, GDP and SQ are at  $I(1)$  level according to unit root test results (see Table 82). ENC is at  $I(0)$  level according to unit root test results (see Table 82). Lag length is determined according to results in VAR model (see Table 83). According to ARDL bounds test results, F-statistics value is 6.625140 which is more than 5.61 which is  $I(1)$  bound value of 1%. ARDL model is stable according to the stability test results (see Table 84, Figure 49 and Figure 50). ARDL-ECM (ARDL Error Correction Model) is run and according to the results, coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed for Finland. The long run coefficient of GDP is positive and significant at 5%, and the long run coefficient of SQ is negative and significant at 5%.

	Level	First Difference
CS	-3.313695 (5%)	-
GDP	-0.935354	-4.091487 (1%)
SQ	-0.866728	-4.155341 (1%)
ENC	-1.568279	-6.613416 (1%)

**Table 82: UR Results for Finland**

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	-8.459043	NA	2.70e-05	0.830603	1.017429	0.890370
1	97.11426	175.9555	6.96e-08	-5.140950	-4.206819*	-4.842114
2	122.2977	35.25677*	4.02e-08*	-5.753178	-4.071741	-5.215272*
3	138.6355	18.51619	4.66e-08	-5.775698	-3.346956	-4.998723
4	156.0706	15.11048	6.08e-08	-5.871376*	-2.695329	-4.855332

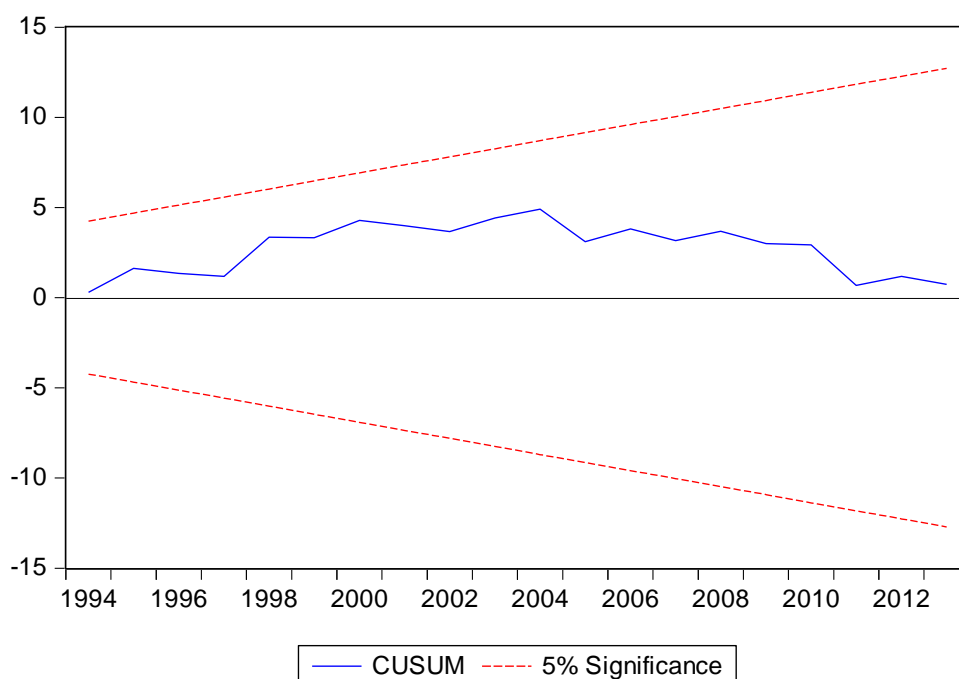
**Table 83: Lag Length Results for Finland**

	F-statistic	Jarque-Bera
RE Test	0.411273 (0.5290)	-
HE Test	0.350381 (0.9613)	-
CO Test	1.247566 (0.3109)	-
NO Test	-	1.445746 (0.485356)

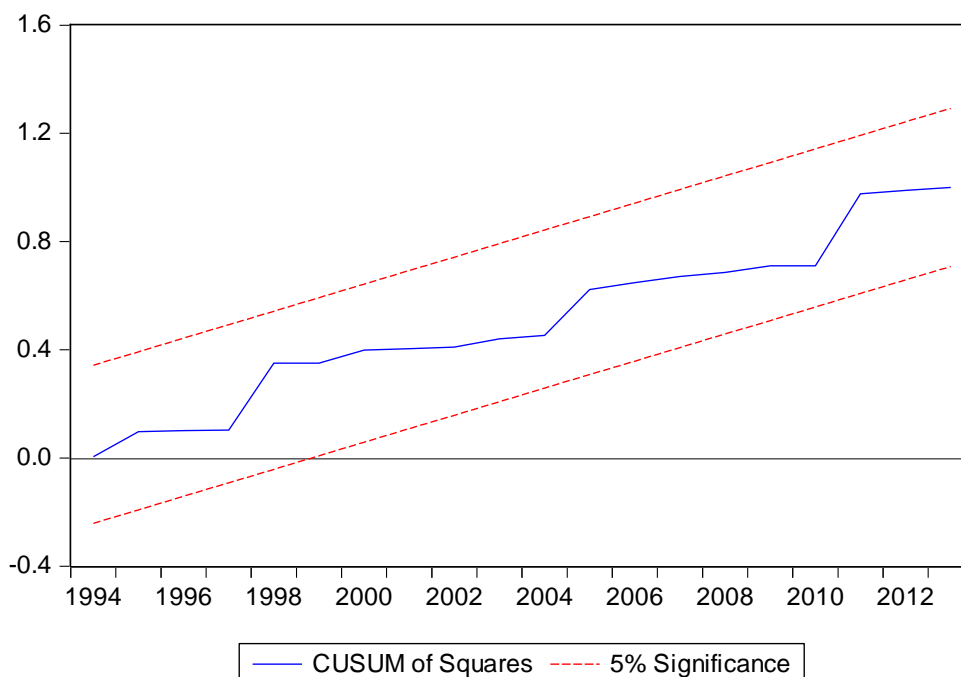
**Table 84: Stability Test Results for ARDL Model of Finland**

	Variable	Coef.	Standard Error	t-Stat.	Probability
Short-run Coefficients	D(CS(-1))	-0.173342	0.171012	-1.013626	0.3229
	D(GDP)	-15.432370	21.546929	-0.716221	0.4821
	D(GDP(-1))	-29.542696	25.161799	-1.174109	0.2541
	D(SQ)	0.779350	1.059203	0.735789	0.4704
	D(SQ(-1))	1.349766	1.238331	1.089988	0.2887
	D(ENC)	15.904177	2.359748	6.739777	0.0000
	D(ENC(-1))	1.400658	4.252801	0.329349	0.7453
	CointEq(-1)	-0.638493	0.141473	-4.513189	0.0002
Long-run Coefficients	GDP	53.568471	14.608278	3.666994	0.0015
	SQ	-2.598180	0.713300	-3.642481	0.0016
	ENC	22.500556	3.880123	5.798928	0.0000
	C	-442.005056	66.285110	-6.668241	0.0000

**Table 85: ARDL-ECM Test Results for Finland**



**Figure 49: CSSM Test Results for ARDL Model of Finland**



**Figure 50:** CSQM Test Results for ARDL Model of Finland

### 6.2.2 Bootstrap ARDL Model

According to Bootstrap ARDL Bounds Tests, there is long run relationship between CS, GDP and SQ (see Table 86, Table 87 and Table 88). ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Error Correction Model is run and coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed according to the results (see Table 89, Figure 51, Figure 52 and Figure 53).

PSS BS F Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
5,990	6,749	4,701	4,043
Bootstrap P-Value	0,015		
% of Failed Iterations	0,60		

**Table 86:** PSS Bootstrap F-Test Based on ARDL Model for Finland

BDM BS T Test	Critical Values		
Initial Test Statistics	1%	5%	10%
11,935	9,683	6,307	5,127
Bootstrap P-Value	0,002		
% of Failed Iterations	8,91		

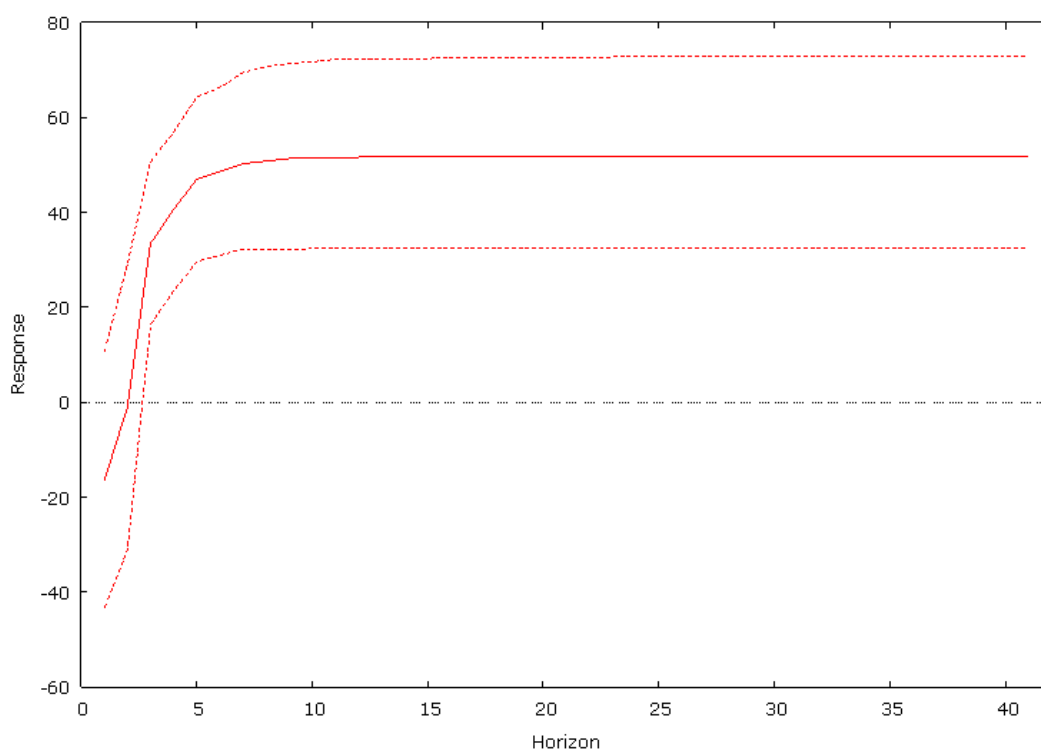
**Table 87:** BDM Bootstrap T-Test Based on ARDL Model for Finland

Lags	AIC	BIC	HQ
1	1,8348	2,2012	1,9562
2	1,6299*	2,1796	1,8121

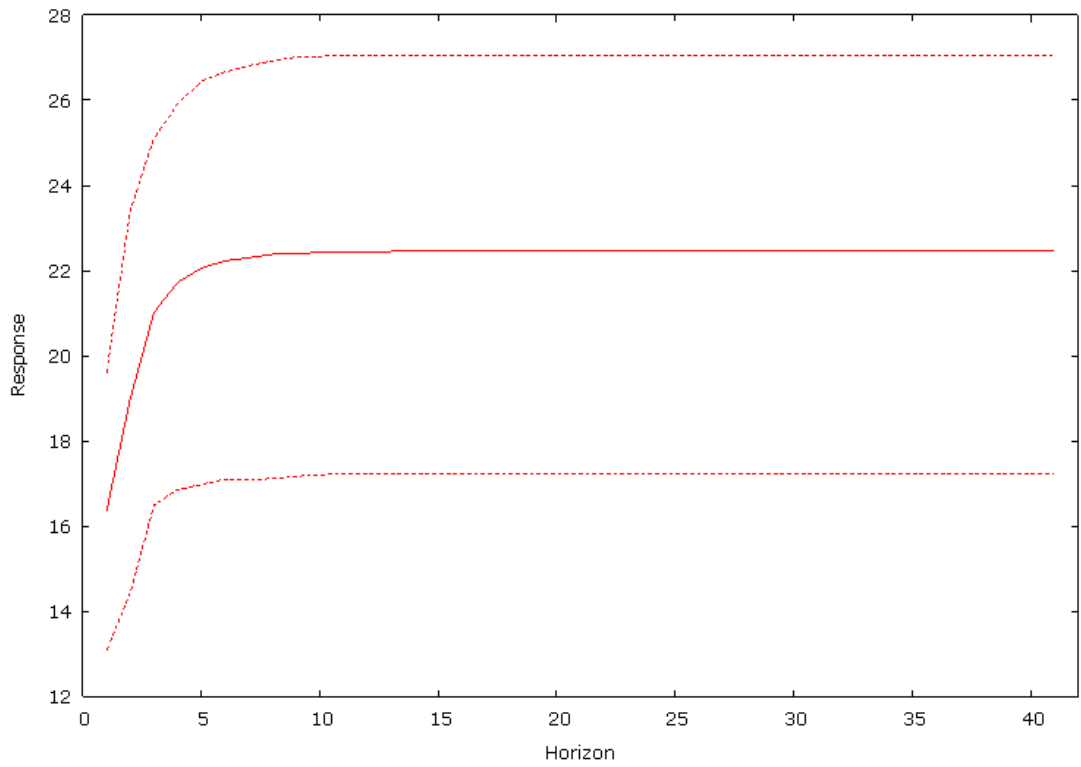
**Table 88:** Lag Selection Results for Finland

Error Correction Rho (Bootstrap Values)			
	Mean	Median	S.D.
Rho	-0,7133	-0,7036	0,1318
Long-Run Multipliers (Bootstrap Values)			
	Mean	Median	S.D.
CS	0,4525	0,4213	0,2854
GDP	52,1697	51,7253	12,1087
SQ	-2,5262	-2,4979	0,5904
EN	22,4001	22,4543	3,0780
Bewley's long-run multipliers (2SLS point estimates)			
	Coefficient	S.D.	
GDP	53,5685	8,9163	
SQ	-2,5982	0,4386	
EN	22,5006	2,4413	

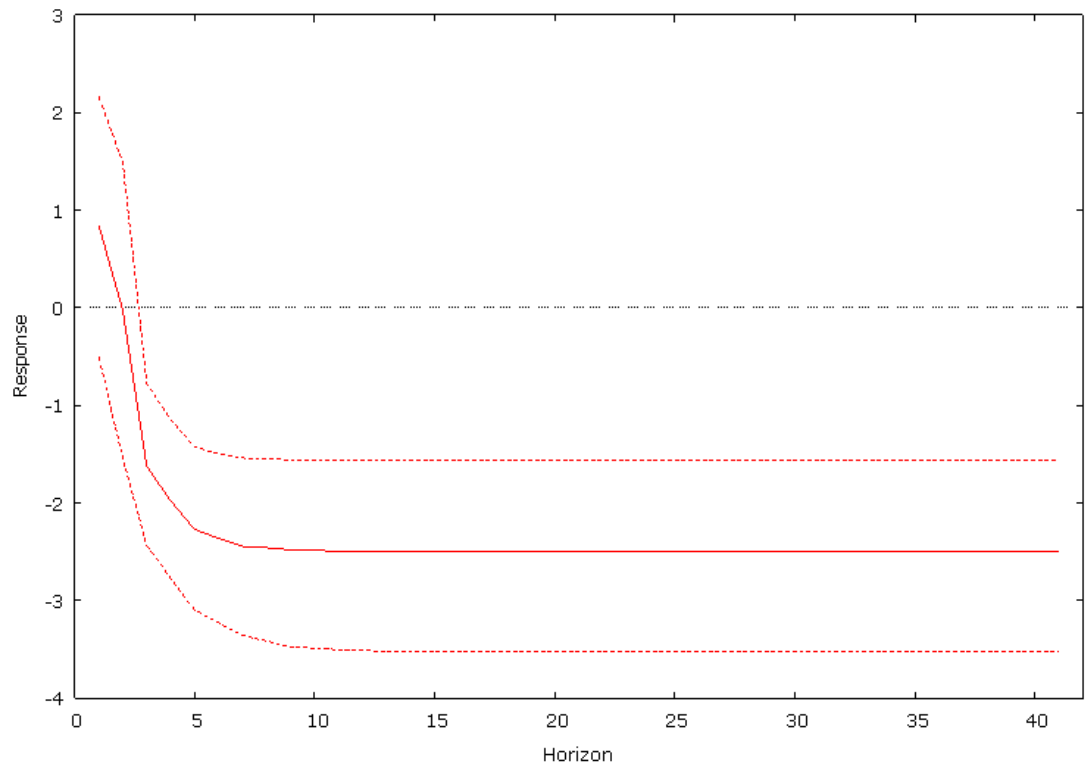
**Table 89:** ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Model Error Correction Bootstrap Coefficient Estimates



**Figure 51:** Shock of GDP on CS for Finland



**Figure 52:** Shock of ENC on CS for Finland



**Figure 53:** Shock of SQ on CS for Finland

## **CHAPTER 7**

### **EFFECT OF KYOTO PROTOCOL ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus is examined for the developing countries for the period between 1971 and 1997 in part 7.1, and for the period between 1997 and 2014 in part 7.2. Developing countries are Argentina, Egypt, India, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria and Turkey. Dynamic common correlated effects estimator pool mean group, cross-sectional augmented distributed lag, and cross-section ARDL models are used in this chapter.

#### **7.1 Developing Countries CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus Between 1971 and 1997**

Cross-sectional dependency tests are applied. According to cross-sectional dependency tests, there is cross-sectional dependency in panel data (see Table 90, Table 91 and Table 92). First generation panel unit root tests are applied. According to results, all variables are at I(1) level (see Table 93 and Table 94). Since cross-sectional dependency exists in panel data, second generation panel unit root test are applied (see Table 95 and Table 96). Westerlund cointegration test is applied to examine the cointegration between the variables. According to Westerlund cointegration test, there is no long-run relationship between the variables (see Table 97). Since cointegration test is optional, further analysis is applied. Hausman test is applied to test between fixed effect and random effect (see Table 98). After random effect is chosen as appropriate model, hausman test is applied again to decide between mean group and pooled mean group (see Table 99). CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG and CS-DL models are applied. According to CS-ARDL model results, although

cointegration exists between the variables, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 100). According to CCE-PMG model results, no cointegration exists between the variables and EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 101). According to CS-DL model results, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 102).

Variable	CD-test	p-value	Corr	abs(corr)
CO2	4.54	0.000	0.130	0.491
GDP	2.03	0.042	0.058	0.632
SQ	2.08	0.038	0.060	0.631
ENC	18.96	0.000	0.544	0.633

**Table 90:** Pesaran (2004) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	CD	P-Value
CO2	-1.854	0.064
GDP	34.833	0.000
SQ	34.761	0.000
ENC	34.838	0.000

**Table 91:** Pesaran (2015) test for weak cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	CD-Test	P-Value	Average Joint T	Mean P	Mean abs (p)
CO2	4.535	0.000	27.00	0.13	0.49
GDP	2.035	0.042	27.00	0.06	0.63
SQ	2.077	0.038	27.00	0.06	0.63
ENC	18.96	0.000	27.00	0.54	0.63

**Table 92:** Pesaran (2004) and Pesaran (2015) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	1.9569	0.9748	-8.9322	0.0000
GDP	2.2245	0.9869	-6.5064	0.0000
SQ	2.4575	0.9930	-6.4167	0.0000
ENC	1.1465	0.8742	-7.1331	0.0000

**Table 93:** Im-Pesaran-Shin UR Results for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	1.2348	0.8915	-7.9976	0.0000
GDP	0.1210	0.5482	-5.2594	0.0000
SQ	0.4546	0.6753	-5.1705	0.0000
ENC	-0.0957	0.4619	-6.8764	0.0000

**Table 94:** Levin-Lin-Chu UR Results for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	Level	First Difference	Critical Values		
	CIPS	CIPS	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-1.492	-5.246	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
GDP	-1.261	-4.180	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
SQ	-1.222	-4.169	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
ENC	-2.069	-4.564	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57

**Table 95:** Pesaran (2007) Panel UR for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	Level			First Difference			Critical Values		
	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-1.291	1.529	0.937	-3.919	-7.037	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
GDP	-1.118	2.092	0.982	-3.279	-4.593	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
SQ	-1.059	2.286	0.989	-3.226	-4.780	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
ENC	-2.329	-1.855	0.032	-3.839	-6.778	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570

**Table 96:** Pesaran (2003) Panel UR for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus				
Statistic	Value	Z-Value	P-Value	Robust P-Value
Gt	-1.611	0.305	0.620	0.387
Ga	-4.775	1.537	0.938	0.310
Pt	-5.285	-0.855	0.196	0.240
Pa	-2.775	0.748	0.773	0.520
CO2-GDP-SQ Nexus				
Statistic	Value	Z-Value	P-Value	Robust P-Value
Gt	-1.861	-1.448	0.074	0.077
Ga	-5.149	0.390	0.652	0.143
Pt	-6.125	-2.379	0.009	0.063
Pa	-.4.330	-1.181	0.119	0.160

**Table 97:** Westerlund (2007) Bootstrap Panel Cointegration Test for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus	
Chi2(3)	Prob
0.61	0.8932
CO2-GDP-SQ Nexus	
Chi2(2)	Prob
2.09	0.3513

**Table 98:** Hausman Test for Fixed Effect vs. Random Effect for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus	
Chi2(3)	Prob
1.57	0.6670
CO2-GDP-SQ Nexus	
Chi2(2)	Prob
2.67	0.2631

**Table 99:** Hausman Test for MG vs. PMG for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)



CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR						
Estimates						
MG						
L.CO2	0.1409255	0.1268518	1.11	0.267	-0.1076994	0.3895505
GDP	-17.01414	13.32609	-1.28	0.202	-43.13279	9.104514
SQ	1.323612	0.9848225	1.34	0.179	-0.6066045	3.253829
L.GDP	30.88922	23.01034	1.34	0.179	-14.21022	75.98866
L2.GDP	4.545223	7.737622	0.59	0.557	-10.62024	19.71068
L.SQ	-2.207253	1.701578	-1.30	0.195	-5.542286	1.127779
L2.SQ	-0.3855183	0.5198035	-0.74	0.458	-1.404314	0.6332779
LRR						
Estimates						
MG						
LR_CO2	-0.8590745	0.1268518	-6.77	0.000	-1.107699	-0.6104495
LR_GDP	38.73629	29.37179	1.32	0.187	-18.83137	96.30394
LR_SQ	-2.642682	2.112223	-1.25	0.211	-6.782563	1.497199
CD Statistic	-1.81	P-Value	0.0701			

**Table 100:** SRR and LRR Results for CS-ARDL for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

D.CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR						
Estimates						
MG						
D.GDP	-36.9613	23.96122	-1.54	0.123	-83.92442	10.00183
D2.GDP	28.58131	24.15473	1.18	0.237	-18.76109	75.9237
D.SQ	2.718548	1.724587	1.58	0.115	-0.6615807	6.098677
D2.SQ	-2.133922	1.793342	-1.19	0.234	-5.648808	1.380964
LRR						
Estimates						
Pooled						
L.CO2	-0.7003947	0.538322	-1.30	0.193	-1.755486	0.354697
GDP	1.657057	17.78836	0.09	0.926	-33.20749	36.5216
SQ	-0.0561204	1.266682	-0.04	0.965	-2.538771	2.42653
CD Statistic	-1.59	P-Value	0.1121			

**Table 101:** SRR and LRR Results for CCE-PMG for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
MG						
GDP	-27.99055	20.98552	-1.33	0.182	-69.12141	13.1403
SQ	2.097335	1.566263	1.34	0.181	-0.9724847	5.167154
ENC	0.5094035	0.3937138	1.29	0.196	-0.2622613	1.281068
D.GDP	-0.1424516	0.1638132	-0.87	0.385	-0.4635196	0.1786165
LD.GDP	-0.1944285	0.0991779	-1.96	0.050	-0.3888136	-0.0000435
D.ENC	0.1037665	0.2724869	0.38	0.703	-0.4302981	0.6378311
LD.ENC	1.000028	0.5630336	1.78	0.076	-0.1034971	2.103554
CD Statistic	-1.35	P-Value	0.1784			

**Table 102:** LRR Results for CS-DL (CCE-MG) for Developing Countries (1971 – 1997)

## 7.2 Developing Countries CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus Between 1997 and 2014

Cross-sectional dependency tests are applied. According to cross-sectional dependency tests, there is cross-sectional dependency in panel data (see

Table 103, Table 104 and Table 105). First generation panel unit root tests are applied. According to results, all variables are at I(1) level (see Table 106 and Table 107). Since cross-sectional dependency exists in panel data, second generation panel unit root test are applied (see Table 108 and Table 109). Hausman test is applied to test between fixed effect and random effect (see Table 110). After random effect is chosen as appropriate model, hausman test is applied again to decide between mean group and pooled mean group (see Table 111). CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG and CS-DL models are applied. According to CS-ARDL model results, although cointegration exists between the variables, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 112). According to CCE-PMG model results, cointegration exists between the variables and EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 113). According to CS-DL model results, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 114).

Variable	CD-test	p-value	Corr	abs(corr)
CO2	15.24	0.000	0.535	0.576
GDP	25.88	0.000	0.909	0.909
SQ	25.89	0.000	0.910	0.910
ENC	17.02	0.000	0.598	0.759

**Table 103:** Pesaran (2004) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	CD	P-Value
CO2	2.105	0.035
GDP	28.457	0.000
SQ	28.446	0.000
ENC	28.455	0.000

**Table 104:** Pesaran (2015) test for weak cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	CD-Test	P-Value	Average Joint T	Mean P	Mean abs (p)
CO2	15.238	0.000	18.00	0.54	0.58
GDP	25.878	0.000	18.00	0.91	0.91
SQ	25.894	0.000	18.00	0.91	0.91
ENC	17.023	0.000	18.00	0.60	0.76

**Table 105:** Pesaran (2004) and Pesaran (2015) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	1.5368	0.9378	-6.1165	0.0000
GDP	2.3604	0.9909	-4.7417	0.0000
SQ	2.5521	0.9946	-4.6998	0.0000
ENC	1.9941	0.9769	-5.2183	0.0000

**Table 106:** Im-Pesaran-Shin UR Results for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	-1.0196	0.1540	-10.2064	0.0000
GDP1	0.4504	0.6738	-4.0855	0.0000
GDP2	0.7472	0.7725	-4.0524	0.0000
EC	-0.2552	0.3993	-3.6947	0.0001

**Table 107:** Levin-Lin-Chu UR Results for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	Level	First Difference	Critical Values		
	CIPS	CIPS	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-2.288	-3.608	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
GDP	-1.540	-3.911	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
GDP2	-1.475	-3.850	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
EN	-1.884	-3.531	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6

**Table 108:** Pesaran (2007) Panel UR for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	Level			First Difference			Critical Values		
	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-2.288	-1.713	0.043	-3.608	-5.767	0.000	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
GDP	-1.566	0.503	0.692	-2.397	-2.047	0.020	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
GDP2	-1.509	0.678	0.751	-2.322	-1.818	0.035	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
EN	-2.069	-1.042	0.149	-2.802	-3.291	0.000	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600

**Table 109:** Pesaran (2003) Panel UR for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Chi2(3)	Prob
3.42	0.3307

**Table 110:** Hausman Test for Fixed Effect vs. Random Effect for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

Chi2(3)	Prob
2.19	0.5338

**Table 111:** Hausman Test for MG vs. PMG for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
CO2						
SRR Estimates						
MG						
L.CO2	0.0459495	0.1217254	0.38	0.706	-0.1926279	0.2845268
GDP	45.42324	27.79935	1.63	0.102	-9.062484	99.90896
SQ	-3.123152	1.948767	-1.60	0.109	-6.942664	0.6963604
ENC	1.515661	0.3124788	4.85	0.000	0.9032135	2.128108
L.GDP	-17.72587	24.95869	-0.71	0.478	-66.644	31.19226
L.SQ	1.118642	1.642941	0.68	0.496	-2.101462	4.338747
L.ENC	-0.167479	0.294033	-0.57	0.569	-0.7437731	0.408815
LRR Estimates						
Mean Group						
LR_CO2	-0.9540505	0.1217254	-7.84	0.000	-1.192628	-0.7154732
LR_ENC	1.426848	0.5716276	2.50	0.013	0.3064786	2.547218
LR_GDP	26.62014	32.41587	0.82	0.412	-36.91379	90.15408
LR_SQ	-1.901189	2.329932	-0.82	0.415	-6.467771	2.665394
CD Statistic	1.21	P-Value	0.2271			

**Table 112:** SRR and LRR Results for CS-ARDL for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

D.CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR						
Estimates						
MG						
D.GDP	21.931	10.37159	2.11	0.034	1.603046	42.25895
D.SQ	-1.456899	0.6689874	-2.18	0.029	-2.76809	0.1457078
D.ENC	0.5992738	0.1858947	3.22	0.001	0.2349268	0.9636207
LRR						
Estimates						
Pooled						
L.CO2	-0.5447766	0.2290375	-2.38	0.017	-0.9936819	-0.0958714
GDP	4.341269	16.90868	0.26	0.797	-28.79913	37.48167
SQ	-0.2528071	1.152087	-0.22	0.826	-2.510856	2.005242
ENC	1.185402	0.4793763	2.47	0.013	0.2458416	2.124962
CD Statistic	-1.13	P-Value	0.2578			

**Table 113:** SRR and LRR Results for CCE-PMG for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
MG						
GDP	30.72245	32.02246	0.96	0.337	-32.04042	93.48531
SQ	-2.199211	2.305576	-0.95	0.340	-6.718056	2.319634
ENC	1.444556	0.5072624	2.85	0.004	0.4503397	2.438772
D.GDP	-0.7209948	0.4066496	-1.77	0.076	1.518013	0.0760238
D.ENC	-0.0455901	0.2903816	-0.16	0.875	-0.6147276	0.5235473
CD Statistic	0.24	P-Value	0.8119			

**Table 114:** LRR Results for CS-DL (CCE-MG) for Developing Countries (1997 – 2014)

## **CHAPTER 8**

### **EFFECT OF KYOTO PROTOCOL ON DEVELOPED COUNTRIES**

CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC nexus is examined for the developed countries for the period between 1971 and 1997 in part 8.1, and for the period between 1997 and 2014 in part 8.2. Developed countries are Sweden, Denmark, Australia, Portugal, Austria, Canada, Finland, Spain and UK. Dynamic common correlated effects estimator pooled mean group, cross-sectional augmented distributed lag, and cross-section ARDL models are used in this chapter.

#### **8.1 Developed Countries CO<sub>2</sub>-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus Between 1971 and 1997**

Cross-sectional dependency tests are applied. According to cross-sectional dependency tests, there is cross-sectional dependency in panel data (see Table 115, Table 116 and Table 117). First generation panel unit root tests are applied (see Table 118 and Table 119). Since cross-sectional dependency exists in panel data, second generation panel unit root test are applied (see Table 120 and Table 121). Hausman test is applied to test between fixed effect and random effect (see Table 122). After random effect is chosen as appropriate model, hausman test is applied again to decide between mean group and pooled mean group (see Table 123). CCE-PMG and CS-DL models are applied. According to CCE-PMG model results, cointegration exists between the variables and EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 124). According to CS-DL model results, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 125).

Variable	CD-test	p-value	Corr	abs(corr)
CO2	1.77	0.077	0.057	0.431
GDP	30.03	0.000	0.963	0.963
GDP2	30.02	0.000	0.963	0.963
EN	18.43	0.000	0.591	0.591

**Table 115:** Pesaran (2004) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	CD	P-Value
CO2	30.861	0.000
GDP	31.176	0.000
GDP2	31.174	0.000
EN	31.170	0.000

**Table 116:** Pesaran (2015) test for weak cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	CD-Test	P-Value	Average Joint T	Mean P	Mean abs (p)
CO2	1.766	0.077	27.00	0.06	0.43
GDP	30.03	0.000	27.00	0.96	0.96
GDP2	30.024	0.000	27.00	0.96	0.96
EN	18.434	0.000	27.00	0.59	0.59

**Table 117:** Pesaran (2004) and Pesaran (2015) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	-2.0725	0.0191	-	-
GDP1	2.1539	0.9844	-5.8985	0.0000
GDP2	2.4605	0.9931	-5.8476	0.0000
EC	-0.5984	0.2748	-8.1445	0.0000

**Table 118:** Im-Pesaran-Shin UR Results for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	-1.6083	0.0539	-7.0450	0.0000
GDP1	-0.2969	0.3833	-7.8953	0.0000
GDP2	-0.1364	0.4457	-7.7625	0.0000
EC	-1.5628	0.0590	-8.2798	0.0000

**Table 119:** Levin-Lin-Chu UR Results for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	Level	First Difference	Critical Values		
	CIPS	CIPS	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-2.742	-	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
GDP	-2.091	-3.757	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
GDP2	-2.090	-3.740	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57
EN	-3.051	-	-2.21	-2.33	-2.57

**Table 120:** Pesaran (2007) Panel UR for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Variable	Level			First Difference			Critical Values		
	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-2.242	-1.490	0.068	-4.187	-7.506	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
GDP	-2.248	-1.509	0.066	-3.346	-4.905	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
GDP2	-2.243	-1.493	0.068	-3.356	-4.935	0.000	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570
EN	-2.881	-3.466	0.000	-	-	-	-2.210	-2.330	-2.570

**Table 121:** Pesaran (2003) Panel UR for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Chi2(3)	Prob
2.82	0.4195

**Table 122:** Hausman Test for Fixed Effect vs. Random Effect for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

Chi2(3)	Prob
4.93	0.1768

**Table 123:** Hausman Test for MG vs. PMG for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

D.CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR Estimates						
MG						
D.GDP	13.79361	23.56607	0.59	0.558	-32.39503	59.98225
D2.GDP	-27.34135	21.17659	-1.29	0.197	-68.8467	14.164
D.SQ	-0.6529917	1.145117	-0.57	0.569	-2.897379	1.591396
D2.SQ	1.299643	1.026713	1.27	0.206	-0.7126783	3.311963
D.ENC	-0.0089477	0.2336693	-0.04	0.969	-0.4669311	0.4490358
D2.ENC	0.0538146	0.1435071	0.37	0.708	-0.2274541	0.3350833
LRR Estimates						
Pooled						
L.CO2	-0.9032651	0.164308	-5.50	0.000	-1.225303	-0.5812274
GDP	4.715685	8.126694	0.58	0.562	-11.21234	20.64371
SQ	-0.234794	0.4029814	-0.58	0.560	-1.024623	0.555035
ENC	1.135476	0.3345297	3.39	0.001	0.4798099	1.791142
CD Statistic	-1.45	P-Value	0.1463			

**Table 124:** SRR and LRR Results for CCE-PMG for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
MG						
GDP	-84.08684	98.52261	-0.85	0.393	-277.1876	109.0139
SQ	4.008676	4.728724	0.85	0.397	-5.259453	13.2768
EN	-0.6135839	1.922031	-0.32	0.750	-4.380696	3.153528
D.GDP	-2.020389	2.547554	-0.79	0.428	-7.013502	2.972724
LD.GDP	-4.686748	5.1486	-0.91	0.363	-14.77782	5.404322
L2D.GDP	-0.4932242	1.235277	-0.40	0.690	-2.914323	1.927875
D.EN	1.764938	2.457257	0.72	0.473	-3.051198	6.581074
LD.EN	1.389798	1.88212	0.74	0.460	-2.29909	5.078686
L2D.EN	0.8760533	1.407772	0.62	0.534	-1.883129	3.635235
CD Statistic	-1.02	P-Value	0.3091			

**Table 125:** LRR Results for CS-DL (CCE-MG) for Developed Countries (1971 – 1997)

## 8.2 Developed Countries CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC Nexus Between 1997 and 2014

Cross-sectional dependency tests are applied. According to cross-sectional dependency tests, there is cross-sectional dependency in panel data (see Table 126, Table 127 and Table 128). First generation panel unit root tests are applied (see Table 129 and Table 130). Since cross-sectional dependency

exists in panel data, second generation panel unit root test are applied (see Table 131 and Table 132). Hausman test is applied to test between fixed effect and random effect (see Table 133). After random effect is chosen as appropriate model, hausman test is applied again to decide between mean group and pooled mean group (see Table 134). CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG and CS-DL models are applied. According to CS-ARDL model results, although cointegration exists between the variables, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 135). According to CCE-PMG model results, cointegration exists between the variables and EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 136). According to CS-DL model results, EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for panel countries (see Table 137).

Variable	CD-test	p-value	corr	abs(corr)
CO2	17.33	0.000	0.681	0.681
GDP	22.96	0.000	0.902	0.902
SQ	22.94	0.000	0.901	0.901
ENC	11.70	0.000	0.460	0.495

**Table 126:** Pesaran (2004) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	CD	P-Value
CO2	25.421	0.000
GDP	25.456	0.000
SQ	25.455	0.000
ENC	25.455	0.000

**Table 127:** Pesaran (2015) test for weak cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	CD-Test	P-Value	Average Joint T	Mean P	Mean abs (p)
CO2	17.33	0.000	18.00	0.68	0.68
GDP	22.961	0.000	18.00	0.90	0.90
SQ	22.937	0.000	18.00	0.90	0.90
ENC	11.697	0.000	18.00	0.46	0.49

**Table 128:** Pesaran (2004) and Pesaran (2015) test for cross-sectional dependence for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	2.3691	0.9911	-5.5762	0.0000
GDP	-4.2540	0.0000	-	-
SQ	-4.1752	0.0000	-	-
ENC	2.0173	0.9782	-5.7794	0.0000

**Table 129:** Im-Pesaran-Shin UR Results for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)



	Level		First Difference	
	Statistics	P-Value	Statistic	P-Value
CO2	4.3129	0.9653	-4.4668	0.0000
GDP	-4.4279	0.0000	-	-
SQ	-4.3941	0.0000	-	-
ENC	3.1410	0.9992	-4.8131	0.0000

**Table 130:** Levin-Lin-Chu UR Results for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	Level	First Difference	Critical Values		
	CIPS	CIPS	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-2.506	-	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
GDP	-0.625	-2.636	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
SQ	-0.616	-2.631	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6
ENC	-2.395	-	-2.21	-2.34	-2.6

**Table 131:** Pesaran (2007) Panel UR for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Variable	Level			First Difference			Critical Values		
	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	t-bar	Z-t-bar	P-Value	10%	5%	1%
CO2	-1.784	-0.158	0.437	-3.137	-4.097	0.000	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
GDP	-1.402	0.956	0.831	-2.636	-2.639	0.004	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
SQ	-1.380	1.018	0.846	-2.631	-2.623	0.004	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600
ENC	-1.673	0.165	0.565	-3.413	-4.902	0.000	-2.210	-2.340	-2.600

**Table 132:** Pesaran (2003) Panel UR for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Chi2(3)	Prob
5.16	0.1603

**Table 133:** Hausman Test for Fixed Effect vs. Random Effect for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

Chi2(3)	Prob
1.56	0.6688

**Table 134:** Hausman Test for MG vs. PMG for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR Estimates						
MG						
L.CO2	0.0916635	0.3228298	0.28	0.776	-0.5410712	0.7243983
L2.CO2	-0.0450127	0.1911582	-0.24	0.814	-0.4196758	0.3296504
L.GDP	-81.39829	99.87384	-0.82	0.415	-277.1474	114.3509
L.SQ	3.731951	4.570679	0.82	0.414	-5.226415	12.69032
L.ENC	0.0969654	0.422804	0.23	0.819	-0.7317153	0.9256461
LRR Estimates						
MG						
LR_CO2	-0.9533491	0.4688588	-2.03	0.042	-1.872295	-0.0344029
LR_ENC	1.323192	1.133478	1.17	0.243	-.8983836	3.544768
LR_GDP	181.4015	231.1606	0.78	0.433	-271.665	634.4681
LR_SQ	-9.182218	11.45932	-0.80	0.423	-31.64207	13.27763
CD Statistic	-1.52	P-Value	0.1292			

**Table 135:** SRR and LRR Results for CS-ARDL for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

D.CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
SRR						
Estimates						
MG						
D.GDP	-42.29384	49.06348	-0.86	0.389	-138.4565	53.86882
D.SQ	2.117144	2.406189	0.88	0.379	-2.598901	6.833188
D.ENC	0.3857655	0.0788855	4.89	0.000	0.2311528	0.5403783
LRR						
Estimates						
Pooled						
L.CO2	-0.6910798	0.1443157	-4.79	0.000	-0.9739333	-0.4082262
GDP	-24.12879	41.01917	-0.59	0.556	-104.5249	56.26731
SQ	1.135826	1.949824	0.58	0.560	-2.68576	4.957411
ENC	1.776108	0.8370756	2.12	0.034	0.1354699	3.416746
CD Statistic	-1.77	P-Value	0.0761			

**Table 136:** SRR and LRR Results for CCE-PMG for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

CO2	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
MG						
GDP	67.13724	69.76312	0.96	0.336	-69.59595	203.8704
SQ	-3.333865	3.425416	-0.97	0.330	-10.04756	3.379826
ENC	0.1805048	0.0827676	2.18	0.029	0.0182832	0.3427264
D.GDP	-0.0233179	0.2565432	-0.09	0.928	-0.5261333	0.4794975
D.ENC	1.433924	0.1643074	8.73	0.000	1.111888	1.755961
CD Statistic	-1.17	P-Value	0.2404			

**Table 137:** LRR Results for CS-DL (CCE-MG) for Developed Countries (1997 – 2014)

## DISCUSSION

In this study, no long run relationship is found between gross domestic product and carbon dioxide emissions. All the countries in the sample of developing and developed countries did not pass bounds test for emissions-growth nexus except UK which did not pass Johansen cointegration test instead of bounds test. No long run relationship between emissions and growth means that related countries are likely to maintain their growth levels without causing environmental degradation. The EKC hypothesis is examined in this study for developed and developing countries. Nonlinear ARDL methodology is also applied since generally in the literature only symmetric relationship between emissions and growth is examined. ARDL is the common methodology in environmental Kuznets literature according to Shahbaz and Sinha (2019). ARDL model is also used in this study to compare the results of this study with the similar studies in the literature.

For coal consumption, long run relationship is found between growth and coal consumption for New Zealand and Finland. Finding is important since countries like Finland is an experiment for bigger countries such as USA. Countries like USA can apply similar policies that are carried out by Finland. Current market mechanisms are in favor of renewable energy generation systems over fossil fuel systems such as coal. Renewable energy prices are falling and since consumers are becoming more aware of climate change, investing in coal-based energy plants are getting riskier. Since risk increases, investors are becoming less likely to invest in new coal-based energy plants. Current trend shows that closure of coal-based energy plants will exceed the opening of new coal-based energy plants. Energy generation from coal will not finish in the short run but energy generation from coal will likely decrease significantly and current growth levels of developed and developing countries are in favor of reduction of coal consumption. Finding inverted U curve between coal consumption and growth is important since coal consumption alone is responsible for 30% of energy related carbon dioxide emissions. General trend in the world is to increase growth levels for developed and

developing countries. Further investigation of coal consumption-growth nexus carries importance since the only study in the literature for coal consumption-growth nexus belongs to Hao et al. (2016) except this study.

For the effect of Kyoto protocol, CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG and CS-DL methodologies are all used although results of Hausman test are in favor of random effect model since Hausman test may not be sensitive to cross-sectional dependency in the data and the studies in the literature used CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG and CS-DL when Hausman test were in favor of random effect model in the case of cross-sectional dependency in the data. 1997 date is chosen as the beginning of the effect of Kyoto protocol in this study. There are studies in the literature that chose 1997 date as the beginning of the effect of Kyoto protocol and there are studies that chose different dates other than 1997. Commencement dates are different in the literature for Kyoto protocol. The results of this study for the effect of Kyoto protocol are in line with the current literature that Kyoto protocol did not decrease the emission levels of the related countries with the protocol. Most up to date studies in the literature also stated Kyoto protocol only prevented the emissions to become worse that would have happened in no-Kyoto protocol scenario. Although studies stated the emissions would be worse in no-Kyoto scenario, there are other factors such as rising of average temperatures around the world might have helped the emissions not to get worse. The overall economic recession in the world is another factor might have helped the emissions not to get worse. Overall emissions continued to rise in the case of Kyoto protocol.

## CONCLUSION

The EKC hypothesis is examined in this study for developed and developing countries.

Main findings of the study are;

- The EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for developing countries which are Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia and Nigeria.
- The EKC hypothesis is not confirmed for developed countries which are Austria, Belgium, Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Spain and UK.
- Unidirectional causality from ENC to CO<sub>2</sub> is found for Denmark and unidirectional causality from CO<sub>2</sub> to ENC is found for UK.
- Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve is confirmed for New Zealand and Finland.
- Effect of the Kyoto Protocol is not confirmed for developed and developing countries since the EKC hypothesis is not confirmed and no significant relationship is found between GDP and CO<sub>2</sub>.

Our results are in line for rejecting the EKC hypothesis for developing countries with Begum et al. (2015) and Gill et al. (2017) for Malaysia, Oyinlola (2010) and Akpan and Chuku (2011) for Nigeria, Asghari (2012) and Saboori and Soleymani (2011) for Iran, Twerefou, Adusah-Poku and Bekoe (2016), Appiah, Du, Musah and Afriyie (2017) and Muhammad, Solarin and Ozturk (2016) for Ghana, and Ibrahiem (2016), El-aasar and Hanafy (2018) and Alaoui (2017) for Egypt. Al-Mulali, Solarin and Ozturk (2016) confirmed the EKC hypothesis in Kenya which is the opposite result to our findings in Kenya.

For Sweden, Urban and Nordensvärd (2018) and Ankarhem (2005) confirmed the EKC hypothesis. Baek (2015) did not confirm EKC for Sweden. Iwata, Okada and Samreth (2012) rejected EKC for Sweden. Pilatowska, Wlodarczyk and Zawada (2015) confirmed EKC for Sweden. This study confirmed no EKC for Sweden.

For Finland, Urban and Nordensvärd (2018) confirmed EKC for per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions but not for total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Baek (2015) did not confirm EKC for Finland. Kunnas and Myllyntaus (2007) did not confirm EKC for Finland. Iwata, Okada and Samreth (2012) reject EKC for Finland. Pilatowska, Wlodarczyk and Zawada (2015) confirmed EKC for Finland. This study did not confirm EKC for Finland.

For Denmark, Baek (2015) did not confirm EKC. Pilatowska, Wlodarczyk and Zawada (2015) confirmed EKC for Denmark. This study did not confirm EKC for Denmark.

For UK, Bruyn, Bergh and Opschoor (1998) and Acaravci and Ozturk (2010) did not confirm EKC. Sephton and Mann (2016) and Fosten, Morley and Taylor (2012) confirmed EKC for UK. Iwata, Okada and Samreth (2012) reject EKC for UK. Pilatowska, Wlodarczyk and Zawada (2015) confirmed EKC for UK. This study did not confirm EKC for UK.

For Spain, Roca, Padilla, Farre and Galletto (2001) and Esteve and Tamarit (2012) did not confirm EKC. Iwata, Okada and Samreth (2012) reject EKC for Spain. Balaguer and Cantavella (2016) confirmed EKC for Spain. Sephton and Mann (2013) and Esteve and Tamarit (2012b) confirmed EKC for Spain. This study did not confirm EKC for Spain.

For Belgium, Iwata, Okada and Samreth (2012) reject EKC. Pilatowska, Wlodarczyk and Zawada (2015) confirmed EKC for Belgium. This study did not confirm EKC for Belgium.

Hao et al. (2016) confirmed coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve as this study confirmed in New Zealand and Finland. The study of Hao et al. (2016) is the only study in the literature for coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve. This study contributes to the current literature by verifying coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve for New Zealand and Finland.

Almer and Winkler (2017), Maamoun (2019) and Grunewald and Martinez-Zarzoso (2016) examined the effect of the Kyoto Protocol by using different methodologies. Maamoun (2019) used the generalized synthetic control method, Almer and Winkler (2017) used the synthetic control method and Grunewald and Martinez-Zarzoso (2016) used a difference-in-differences estimator method to analyze the sample countries in their studies. Maamoun (2019) and Grunewald and Martinez-Zarzoso (2016) found that the Kyoto Protocol was effective for preventing further emissions. Almer and Winkler (2017) found that there is no difference in emissions between the Kyoto Protocol scenario and no-Kyoto Protocol scenario. Almer and Winkler (2017), Maamoun (2019) and Grunewald and Martinez-Zarzoso (2016) confirmed that there were no reduction in emissions during the treatment of the Kyoto Protocol. This study confirmed that Kyoto protocol did not reduce the emissions and the results of this study are in line with the most current literature for the effect of Kyoto Protocol on emission levels.

For general policy implications for developing and developed countries, countries should increase efficiency of energy technologies and maintain policies to increase alternatives to replace oil usage. Incentives should be provided to increase the number of electric vehicles in the transport sector. The share of renewable energy consumption should be increased in the transport sector. The share of renewable energy consumption should be increased in the household sector as well. Energy efficiency policy for air transport should be maintained. Improving home insulation should be continued to contribute to overall energy efficiency policy. Fuel tax rates should be adjusted to contribute to overall energy efficiency policy. Vehicle incentive programs should be maintained to replace old cars with the new ones to decrease the average emission levels per car. Percentage of electricity consumption should be increased in the transport sector. Investment in energy conservation and emission reduction policies and increasing the use of natural gas in the transport sector should be maintained.

For future research directions, nonlinear relationships for EKC hypothesis may be analyzed since there are still gaps in the literature for nonlinear relationships for EKC hypothesis. Coal consumption environmental Kuznets curve may be analyzed for different countries and different regions by existing or new methodologies in the literature. Effect of external debt on emission levels within the EKC hypothesis may be analyzed in the future research especially for USA and China since effect of external debt on emission levels is not analyzed in the current literature. The limitation of this study is that further protocols may be analyzed such as Paris Agreement.

For ontological and epistemological sides of this study, this study adopts a realistic ontology. Ontology is concerned with what constitutes valid knowledge and how we can obtain it. Epistemology is concerned with what constitutes reality and how we can understand existence. Purpose of this study to investigate the impact of gross domestic product and energy consumption on carbon dioxide emissions and the impact of Kyoto protocol on carbon dioxide emissions. The reality of the current world trend is countries are aiming to increase gross domestic product continuously and these countries are increasing energy consumption mainly in terms of fossil fuel resources to meet the energy demand to grow further. This study tests that whether increase and decrease in carbon dioxide emissions could be explained in terms of gross domestic product and energy consumption. For realistic approach, it means the truth can be captured if the right methods are used. Epistemological stance of this study is objectivism. In objectivist reality, there are universal principles and facts which are independent of any consciousness. In this study, relationships between carbon dioxide emissions, gross domestic product and energy consumption are examined by econometric methodologies by being separate from researchers. Positivism is the theoretical perspective of this study. Positivism takes into consideration only observable facts to reach knowledge. This study investigated the relationships between emission, growth and energy consumption and investigated these relationships with econometric analysis by data.



Sample	Variables	Methodology	Time Period	Results
Argentina	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Egypt	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Ghana	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Iran	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Kenya	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Malaysia	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC
Nigeria	CO2-GDP-SQ	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1971 – 2014	No EKC

**Table 138: Main Findings-I**

Sample	Variables	Methodology	Time Period	Results
Austria	CO2-GDP-SQ	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1960 – 2014	No EKC
Belgium	CO2-GDP-SQ	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Sweden	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, NARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Finland	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	Bootstrap ARDL	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Denmark	CO2-GDP-ENC	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL, Toda and Yamamoto Granger Non-Causality Test	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Denmark	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Spain	CO2-GDP-ENC	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL, Toda and Yamamoto Granger Non-Causality Test	1960 - 2014	No EKC
Spain	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL	1960 - 2014	No EKC
UK	CO2-GDP-ENC	Johansen Cointegration Test, IRRA Analysis and VDDA Analysis	1960 - 2014	No EKC
UK	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	Johansen Cointegration Test	1960 - 2014	No EKC
New Zealand	CS-GDP-SQ	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL, ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Model	1980 - 2015	Coal Consumption EKC is confirmed
Finland	CS-GDP-SQ	ARDL, Bootstrap ARDL, ARDL Dynamic Multiplier Model	1980 - 2013	Coal Consumption EKC is confirmed
Developing Countries	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	CS-DL(CCE-MG)	1971 - 1997	No Effect of Kyoto Protocol
Developing Countries	CO2-GDP-SQ	CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG	1971 - 1997	No Effect of Kyoto Protocol
Developing Countries	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG, CS-DL(CCE-MG)	1997 - 2014	No Effect of Kyoto Protocol
Developed Countries	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	CCE-PMG, CS-DL(CCE-MG)	1971 - 1997	No Effect of Kyoto Protocol
Developed Countries	CO2-GDP-SQ-ENC	CS-ARDL, CCE-PMG, CS-DL(CCE-MG)	1997 - 2014	No Effect of Kyoto Protocol

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Dear Emrah Beşe

Your project “**Empirical Relationship Between Carbon Dioxide Emissions, Gross Domestic Product and Energy Consumption for Developing and Developed Countries, and Effect of Kyoto Protocol on Developing and Developed Countries**” has been evaluated. Since only secondary data will be used the project it does not need to go through the ethics committee. You can start your research on the condition that you will use only secondary data.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Direnç Kanol

Rapporteur of the Scientific Research Ethics Committee

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