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Importer Heterogeneity and Exchange Rate Pass- through

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Main results of the paper

- Importer's size (=market share?) is an important determinant of the degree of exchange rate pass-through.
- Naturally, larger importers' products will have lower exchange rate pass-through.
- Found empirical evidence that support theoretical prediction.

Comments on theoretical model

- A search-matching model is little too abstract. Please suggest what kind of industries or transactions would fit to the search-matching model.
- What is the “market share” in this model? Are there multiple importers selling same good in this model?

Comments on theoretical model (continued)

- Why do we care so much about “market share”, instead of productivity?
- Why not examine the relationship between market share (productivity) and import volume?

Table 3: Import share and pass-through

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| $\log RER_{ct}$ | 0.233*** (31.48) | 0.273*** (31.15) | 0.149*** (9.27) |
| $S_{fpc}^{IM} \times \log RER_{ct}$ | | -0.372*** (-10.33) | -0.155*** (-2.77) |
| $\log(wage_{ct})$ | | | 0.213*** (11.70) |
| Constant | 4.864*** (1,144.93) | 4.883*** (1,017.10) | 4.425*** (52.02) |
| Fixed Effects | | | |
| FPC FE | Y | Y | Y |
| Time FE | Y | Y | Y |
| Observations | 9,413,242 | 9,413,242 | 3,123,605 |

Comments on empirical results

- Want to see the specification (1) and (2) for the sample for specification (3).
- Does the result of specification (3) suggest export side is more important in determining the degree of ERPT than import side?
- What will we find for the lowest S_{fpc} groups, if we estimate the regressions for different percentile groups, instead of using dummy variables as in Table 4?