

Factor-Biased Multinational Production and the Labor Share

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 - Transfer of more advanced technologies
 - Technologies differ only in Hicks-neutral productivities

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- Quantification
 - Declining MP costs explain up to 60% of the average decline in labor shares in the past decade
 - Relatively more important in capital-scarce countries

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 - most are local independent firms
 - 60,000 are multinational affiliates

Empirical Fact 1: Size Effect

- Larger firms use more capital-intensive technologies
- Consistent with Oi and Idson (1999), Bernard et al. (2007)

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	All (1)	MNE (2)	All (3)	MNE (4)
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Standard errors are clustered at host country * industry and home country levels. + 0.10 * 0.05 ** 0.01 *** 0.001.

Empirical Fact 2: Technology Origin Effect

- Firms from capital-abundant countries use more capital-intensive technologies

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	All (1)	MNE (2)	All (3)	MNE (4)	All (5)	MNE (6)
Home log(cap stock/emp)	0.256*** (0.063)	0.292* (0.124)	0.172* (0.082)	0.277* (0.137)	0.158* (0.068)	0.291* (0.141)
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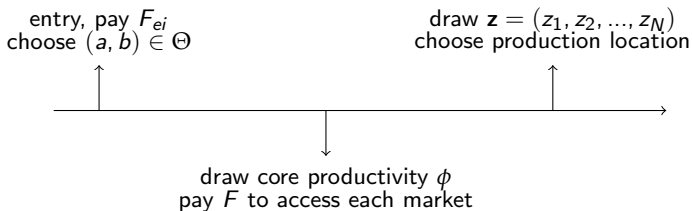
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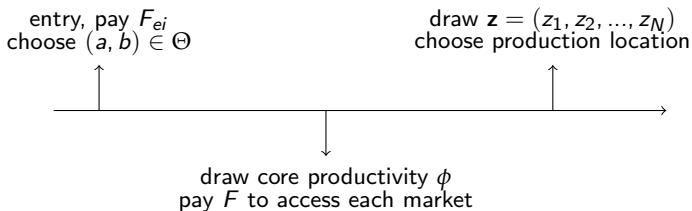
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- MP and trade structure follows Arkolakis et al. (2017)
 - A firm can headquarter in home country i , produce in host country l and sell to destination n
 - Trade is subject to iceberg trade costs τ_{ln} and fixed marketing costs
 - MP is subject to iceberg MP costs γ_{il}

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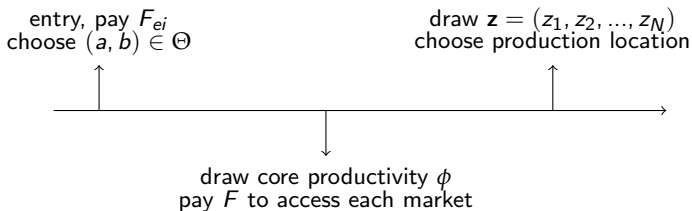
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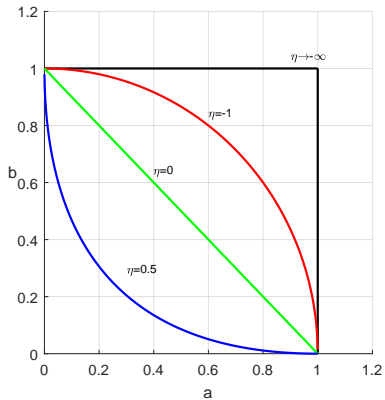
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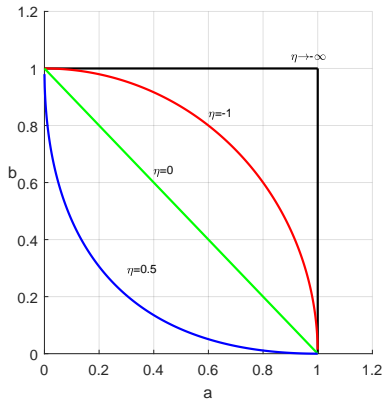
- Technology-capital complementarity: $\zeta(1-\varepsilon) > 0$, $|\zeta| < 2$ (Burstein and Vogel, 17)
- Endogenous technology choice: choose $(a, b) \in \Theta$

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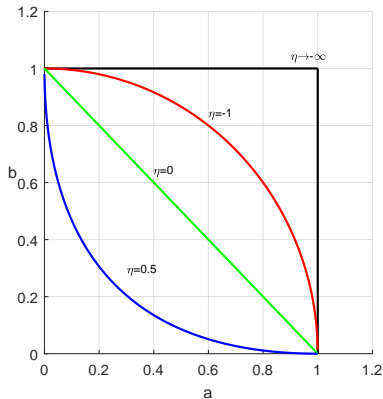
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- η controls for the flexibility of ex-ante technology choice

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- Using multinational firm data, I can distinguish between the two
 - variation within multinational firm across host countries → **intensive elasticity** ε
 - compare firms in the same host country but from different home countries → **extensive elasticity** η

Definition of General Equilibrium

Vectors of variables $\{a_i, b_i, r_i, w_i, P_i, X_i, M_i\}_{i=1}^N$ such that

- Technology choice is optimal

$$(a_i, b_i) \equiv \arg \max_{(a,b) \in \Theta} \pi_i(a, b)$$

- Zero expected profit due to free entry
- Capital, labor and the final good markets clear in all countries
- Price index is consistent with consumer optimization

Theory: Technology Origin Effect

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No technology-capital complementarity $\xi = 0$

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Proposition 1

If $\gamma \geq \tau > 1$ or $\tau = \infty$, $\gamma > 1$, and ϕ_{\min} is small enough so entrants with $\phi = \phi_{\min}$ do not sell in every market. Then in a symmetric equilibrium

- 1. North has relatively cheaper capital*
- 2. Northern firms use more capital-intensive technology*
- 3. Firms enjoy a within-region cost advantage*

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 - Bilateral trade shares λ_{in}^T , bilateral MP shares λ_{ij}^M
 - Endowment K_i and L_i from Penn World Table
 - Back out (r_i, w_i) from labor shares (Karabarbounis and Neiman, 14)

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Parameters	Targets
37×36 trade costs τ_{il}	bilateral trade shares
37×36 MP costs γ_{il}	bilateral MP shares
N Entry costs F_{ei}	prob serving home market 0.7
Extensive elasticity η	technology origin effect 0.28
Tech-capital complementarity ζ	size effect 0.05
Pareto k	unrestricted trade elasticity 4.3
Frechet θ	restricted trade elasticity 10.9
Capital share shifter λ	average labor share 0.52

Calibration - intensive elasticity ε

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- Estimation equation

$$\log \left(\frac{r_I K_f}{w_I L_f} \right) = \delta_{p \times s} + (1 - \varepsilon) \log \left(\frac{r_I}{w_I} \right) + u_f$$

- control for industry differences using fixed effects
- use firm-level wage bill to account for skill differences across firms
- instrument $\log(r_I/w_I)$ with $\log(K_I/L_I)$ for measurement errors

Calibration - intensive elasticity ε

Assumed Firm Age	Dependent Var: affiliates' $\log(rK/wL)$			
	10	5	20	40
$\log(r_I/w_I)$	0.49 (0.11)	0.46 (0.11)	0.52 (0.12)	0.55 (0.12)
Implied ε	0.51	0.54	0.48	0.45
N	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000
First-stage F	145.47	145.47	145.47	145.47
Parent-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at host and home country level.
I instrument $\log(r_I/w_I)$ with $\log(K_I/L_I)$ in all regressions.

- Similar estimates in Oberfield and Raval (14), Doraszelski and Jaumandreu (15)

Calibration results

Parameters	Values	Targets
ε	0.55	direct estimation
τ_{ij}		bilateral trade shares
γ_{ij}		bilateral MP shares
F_{ei}		prob serving home market 0.7
η	0.58	technology origin effect 0.28
ζ	0.55	size effect 0.05
k	4.21	unrestricted trade elasticity 4.3
θ	10.93	restricted trade elasticity 10.9
λ_k	0.29	average labor share 0.52
σ	4	Arkolakis et al. (14)

Untargeted moments:

- Cross-country variation in factor prices [▶ Details](#)
- Gravity in τ_{ij} and γ_{ij} [▶ Details](#)

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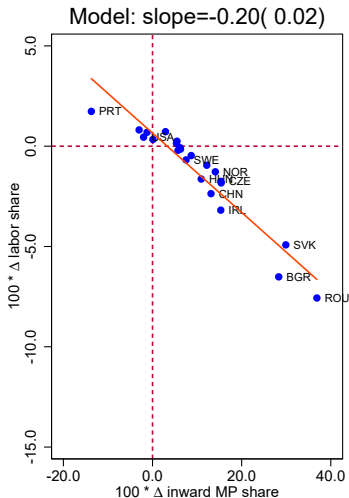
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 - Calculate "total inward MP shares" in 1996-2001 and 2006-2011

$$\text{total inward MP shares} = \sum_{l \neq i} \lambda_{il}^M$$

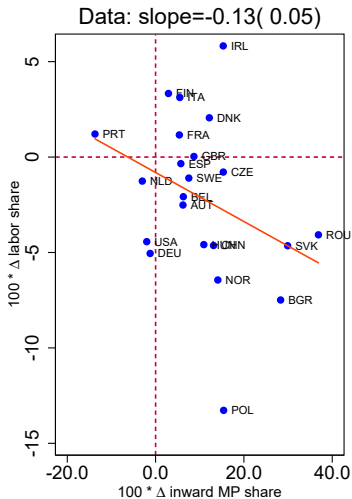
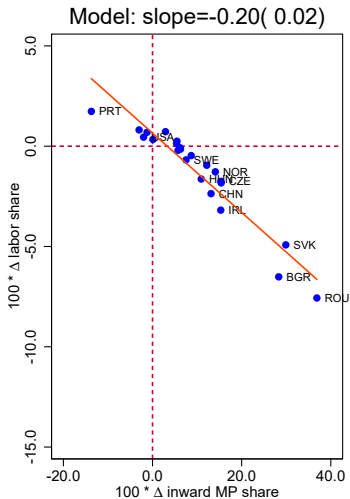
- Calibrate new MP costs γ'_{il} by matching the changes in total inward MP shares [▶ Details](#)
- Solve the new equilibrium with γ'_{il} and compare to the old one

Predicted decline in labor shares

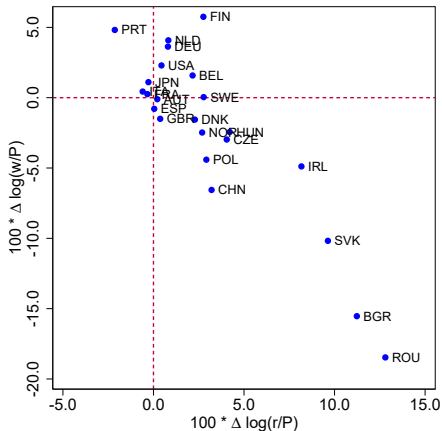


- Decline in labor shares in 15 out of 23 countries
- Average decline 1.2 p.p (data: 2.1 p.p) [▶ Compare](#) [▶ Sensitivity](#)
- Larger increase in MP → larger decline in labor shares

Increase in MP shares and decline in labor shares

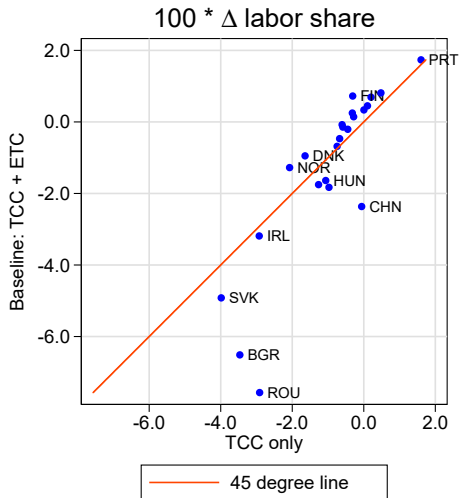


Real wage and real return to capital



- In 13 countries, capital gains and labor loses
- Changes in P cannot fully compensate workers
- At least one factor gains

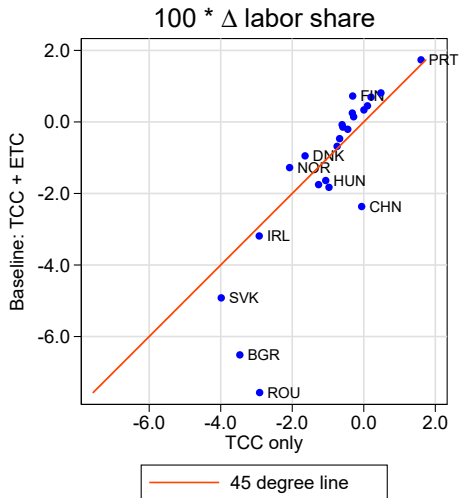
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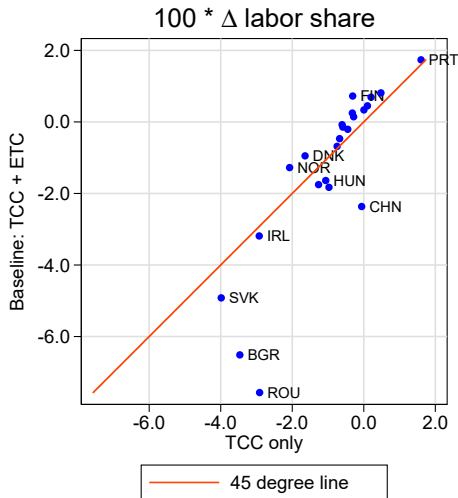
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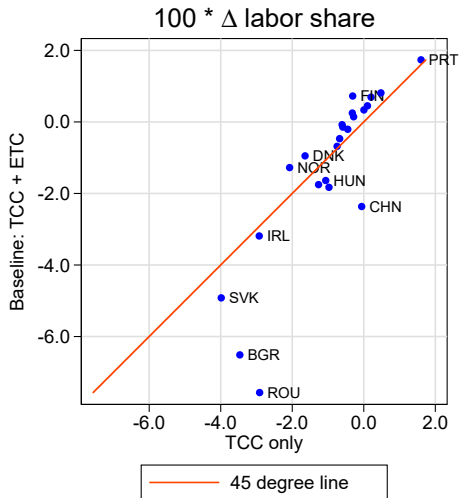
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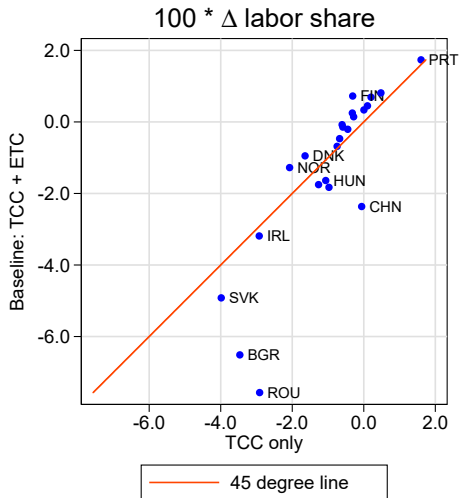
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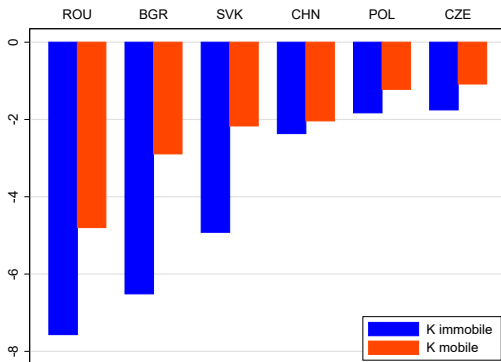
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Capital Mobility

- Allow capital to move across borders
 - r are equalized across countries, w are different (increasing return to scale)
 - recalibrate the model and conduct same counterfactual exercise
 - movements of capital dampen the impact of MP on labor shares



Conclusion

- Firm heterogeneity in factor bias → large impact of MP on income distribution, particularly in capital-scarce countries
- Quantitative framework can be used to study intensities of other inputs: skilled workers, intermediate inputs, etc
- Future research
 - Are "entry activities" more capital intensive than production activities? - may explain decline in labor shares in the US and Germany
 - Other vehicles of technology transfer: offshoring and spillover

Robustness

- Coverage of the Orbis database [▶ Results](#)
- Alternative definitions of home country [▶ Results](#)
- Fixed assets as a measure of K [▶ Results](#)
- Home country K/L v.s. weighted average of host country K/L
[▶ Results](#)
- Directly control for firm's relative factor prices [▶ Results 1](#) [▶ Results 2](#)

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Control for the coverage of multinational affiliates from i

	Dependent Var: log(total assets/wage bill)			
	All (1)	All (2)	Foreign Aff (3)	Foreign Aff (4)
log(K_i/L_i)	0.257* (0.101)	0.167+ (0.087)	0.238 (0.164)	0.182 (0.166)
log(Revenue)	0.100*** (0.026)	0.058** (0.022)	0.067*** (0.007)	0.057*** (0.010)
debt-to-equity ratio		0.005*** (0.001)		0.005*** (0.001)
Emp share (firms)	✓	✓		
Emp share (affiliates)			✓	✓
# of home countries	15	15	16	16
R-squared	0.35	0.41	0.45	0.48
N	1,912,000	1,407,000	27,000	21,000
Country-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at both home country and host country * industry levels. + 0.10 * 0.05 ** 0.01 *** 0.001. Number of observations is rounded to thousands of firms.

Alternative definitions of home country

	Dependent Var: log(deflated total assets/wage bill)					
	Alter Def 1		Alter Def 2		Alter Def 3	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\log(K_i/L_i)$	0.140 ⁺ (0.078)	0.175* (0.089)	0.233 ⁺ (0.139)	0.239 (0.149)	0.263* (0.134)	0.272 ⁺ (0.143)
log(Revenue)	0.080*** (0.013)	0.070*** (0.013)	0.070*** (0.009)	0.062*** (0.011)	0.069*** (0.009)	0.062*** (0.011)
debt-to-equity ratio		0.003** (0.001)		0.003*** (0.001)		0.003*** (0.001)
R-square	0.46	0.49	0.44	0.46	0.44	0.46
N	26,000	21,000	43,000	35,000	43,000	35,000

Def 1: closest same-industry foreign owner.

Def 2: closest industrial foreign owner within 3 layers of control.

Def 3: closest industrial foreign owner.

Using fixed assets to measure K

	Dependent Var: log(fixed assets/wage bill)					
	All (1)	MNE (2)	All (3)	MNE (4)	All (5)	MNE (6)
Home country log(K/L)	0.234*** (0.069)	0.445** (0.142)	0.176* (0.083)	0.427** (0.162)	0.193* (0.088)	0.424* (0.183)
log(Revenue)			0.046 (0.029)	0.101*** (0.016)	0.045+ (0.026)	0.112*** (0.020)
debt-to-equity ratio					-0.000 (0.002)	-0.003+ (0.002)
# of home countries	22	22	22	22	22	22
R-squared	0.232	0.370	0.236	0.378	0.255	0.397
N	2,536,000	54,000	2,400,000	51,000	1,879,000	42,000
Country-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓		

Standard errors are clustered at both home country and host country * industry levels. + 0.10 * 0.05
 ** 0.01 *** 0.001.

Home country or production center?

	Dependent Var: log(total assets/wage bill)			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Home country log(K/L)	0.284 ⁺ (0.146)	0.306* (0.151)	0.274 ⁺ (0.141)	0.285 ⁺ (0.146)
Largest host country log(K/L)	-0.021 (0.047)	-0.038 (0.050)		
Average log(K/L) of host countries			0.018 (0.046)	0.027 (0.048)
log(Revenue)	0.054*** (0.010)	0.042*** (0.010)	0.054*** (0.010)	0.042*** (0.010)
debt-to-equity ratio		0.004*** (0.001)		0.004*** (0.001)
# of home countries	22	22	22	22
R-squared	0.45	0.47	0.45	0.47
N	54,000	44,000	54,000	44,000
Country-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at both home country and host country * industry levels.
 + 0.10 * 0.05 ** 0.01 *** 0.001.

Directly controlling for r/w

	Dependent Var: $\log(\text{total assets}/\text{employment})$			
	All (1)	All (2)	MNE (3)	MNE (4)
Home country $\log(K/L)$	0.304*** (0.045)	0.307*** (0.037)	0.394*** (0.092)	0.372*** (0.092)
$\log(\text{Revenue})$	0.169*** (0.020)	0.144*** (0.018)	0.115*** (0.010)	0.104*** (0.011)
Firm's $\log(r/w)$	-0.142*** (0.029)	-0.147*** (0.026)	-0.126*** (0.023)	-0.136*** (0.024)
debt-to-equity ratio		0.002*** (0.000)		0.002** (0.001)
# of home countries	22	22	22	22
R-squared	0.46	0.46	0.49	0.51
N	1,554,000	1,304,000	39,000	33,000
Country-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at both home country and host country * industry levels. + 0.10 * 0.05 ** 0.01 *** 0.001.

Back out capital bias using K/L and r/w

	Dependent Var: $\log(K/L) + \varepsilon \log(r/w)$			
	All (1)	All (2)	MNE (3)	MNE (4)
Home country $\log(K/L)$	0.326*** (0.041)	0.351*** (0.037)	0.374*** (0.106)	0.366*** (0.105)
$\log(\text{Revenue})$	0.100*** (0.020)	0.073*** (0.016)	0.087*** (0.010)	0.075*** (0.012)
debt-to-equity ratio		0.002*** (0.001)		0.002** (0.001)
# of home countries	22	22	22	22
R-squared	0.40	0.41	0.44	0.47
N	1,554,000	1,304,000	39,000	33,000
Country-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Robustness of the estimated intensive elasticity ϵ

- Use K_f/L_f instead of $r_f K_f/w_f L_f$ [▶ Results](#)
- OLS instead of IV regressions [▶ Results](#)
- Estimates by industry [▶ Results](#)
- Assume r is the same within a multinational firm [▶ Results](#)

OLS instead of IV regressions

Assumed Firm Age	Dependent Var: affiliates' $\log(rK/wL)$			
	10	5	20	40
$\log(r_I/w_I)$	0.64 (0.07)	0.61 (0.07)	0.67 (0.07)	0.70 (0.08)
Implied ε	0.36	0.39	0.33	0.30
N	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000
Parent-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at host and home country level.

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Use K/L instead of rK/wL

Assumed Firm Age	Dependent Var: affiliates' $\log(K/L)$			
	10	5	20	40
$\log(r_I/w_I)$	-0.63 (0.13)	-0.66 (0.13)	-0.60 (0.14)	-0.58 (0.14)
Implied ε	0.63	0.66	0.60	0.58
N	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000
First-stage F	145.47	145.47	145.47	145.47
Parent-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at host and home country level.
I instrument $\log(r_I/w_I)$ with $\log(K_I/L_I)$ in all regressions.

Estimate by sector

	Dependent Var: affiliates' $\log(rK/wL)$				
	Mining and Construc- tion	Manufacturing	Wholesale, retail and repair	Transportation and storage	Other ser- vices
$\log(r_I/w_I)$	0.66 (0.09)	0.48 (0.10)	0.52 (0.12)	0.64 (0.12)	0.33 (0.18)
Implied ε	0.34	0.52	0.48	0.36	0.67
N	1,000	4,000	6,000	1,000	7,000
First-stage F	80.85	174.97	147.24	128.34	124.10
Parent-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at host and home country level. I instrument $\log(r_I/w_I)$ with $\log(K_I/L_I)$ in all regressions.

Assume same r within a multinational firm

Assumed Firm Age	Dependent Var: affiliates' $\log(rK/wL)$			
	10		20	
$\log(w_i)$	-0.54 (0.10)	-0.59 (0.15)	-0.58 (0.10)	-0.64 (0.16)
Implied ε	0.46	0.41	0.42	0.36
N	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000
First-stage F		57.5		57.5
Parent-industry FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

Standard errors are clustered at host and home country level.

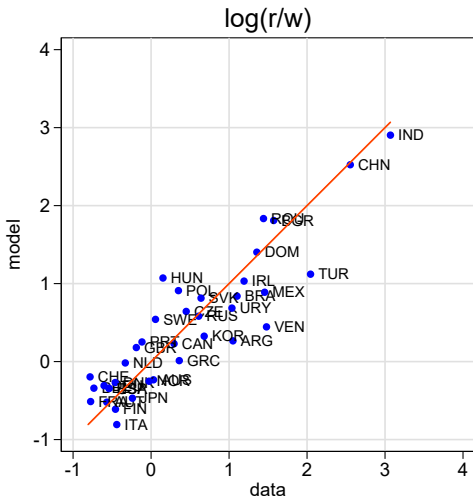
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Non-targeted Moments: “Gravity” in τ and γ

	trade cost		MP cost	
	$\log(\tau_{il})$	$\log(\tau_{il})$	$\log(\gamma_{il})$	$\log(\gamma_{il})$
log(distance)	0.28*** (0.02)	0.25*** (0.02)	0.27*** (0.02)	0.24*** (0.01)
contiguity		-0.08** (0.03)		-0.07* (0.03)
common language		-0.07 (0.04)		-0.09* (0.04)
colony		-0.08** (0.03)		-0.14*** (0.04)
N	1332	1332	1052	1052
R^2	0.99	0.99	0.94	0.94
Home FE	✓	✓	✓	✓
Host FE	✓	✓	✓	✓

MP and trade costs are lower if two countries (1) are close in distance (2) share border (3) share common language (4) have colonial relations

Non-targeted Moments: Factor Prices



- Calibration targets average labor shares
- Model captures cross-country variation ($corr = 0.9$)
- Endogenous technology choice improves the match [▶ Details](#)

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Non-targeted Moments: the relationship between aggregate factor prices and endowments

	Dependent var: $\log(r/w)$		
	Data	Model $\eta = 0.58$	Model $\eta \rightarrow -\infty$
$\log(K/L)$	-1.33 (0.07)	-1.30 (0.02)	-1.81 (0.01)
N	37	37	37

- In the calibration, $\eta = 0.60 \Rightarrow$ extensive substitution is at work
- Setting $\eta \rightarrow -\infty$ and recalibrating the model \Rightarrow shuts down endogenous technology choice
- The model without endogenous technology choice cannot match the relationship between factor prices and endowments!

Calibrated change in MP costs γ_{il}

- Calibrate $\hat{\gamma}_{il}$ to match change in total inward MP shares (under-identified)
 - for a particular host country l , $\hat{\gamma}_{il} = \hat{\gamma}_l$ for all $i \neq l$
 - for 14 countries without data, assume $\log(\hat{\gamma}_l)$ is global average

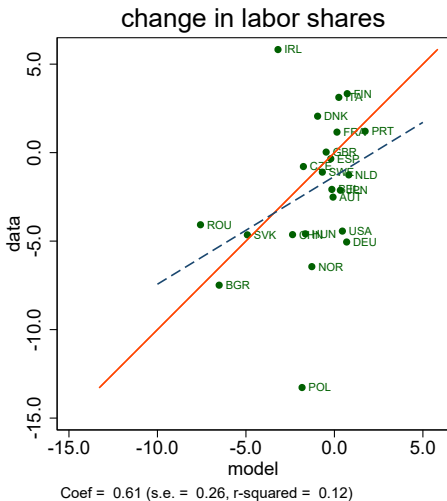
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Country	$\log(\hat{\gamma})$	Δ inward MP share	inward MP share 96-01	inward MP share 06-11
<u>Largest Declines</u>				
Romania	-33.9	36.9	5.6	42.4
Bulgaria	-33.9	28.3	3.5	31.8
China	-27.3	13.1	2.4	15.6
Slovakia	-15.9	29.9	20.0	49.9
Norway	-14.1	14.1	11.0	25.1
<u>Smallest Declines</u>				
Germany	-0.2	-1.2	23.7	22.4
Japan	0.8	0.1	3.9	4.0
US	1.5	-2.0	12.6	10.6
Netherland	1.5	-3.0	34.6	31.6
Portugal	8.8	-13.7	33.9	20.1
Average	-8.0	9.6	20.3	29.8

All numbers are in percentage points or $100 \times$ change in log points

Change in labor shares : model vs data



Sensitivity

1. Different values of ε [▶ Results](#)
2. Change the strength of technology-capital complementarity and endogenous technology choice (ξ, η) [▶ Results](#)

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Sensitivity to ϵ

ϵ	0.4	0.51 (baseline)	0.6
Δ labor share	-1.52	-1.24	-1.17

Each column corresponds to calibration with the intensive elasticity ϵ set to 0.4, 0.51 (baseline) and 0.6.

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Sensitivity to targeted regression coefficients

ζ	low	medium	high
η			
low	-0.73	-1.06	-1.25
medium	-0.92	-1.20	-1.37
high	-1.04	-1.26	-1.42

Low, medium and high η correspond to calibrations in which the technology origin effect is targeted at 0.1, 0.2 and 0.3, respectively. Low, medium and high ζ correspond to calibrations in which the size effect is targeted at 0.025, 0.05 and 0.075, respectively.