Economics 266: International Trade — Lecture 9: Increasing Returns to Scale and Monopolistic Competition (Empirics) —
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As discussed in Lecture 8, there are two fundamental reasons for why countries trade:

1. Countries are **ex ante** different (so they trade according to the traditional theory of comparative advantage).

2. Countries are **ex ante** identical, but due to increasing returns to scale (ITRS) they specialize and become different **ex post**. (One could actually think of this as a particularly extreme form of comparative advantage, and one that is endogenously-driven.)

It is important to know (for both positive and normative reasons) how relatively important these two forces of trade are in the real world.

- For example: presence of IRTS could justify industrial policy, “infant industry” argument, import protection as export promotion, etc.
Attempts to Answer This Question

- We will review 6 different types of empirical predictions that show some promise for testing between CA and IRTS:
  1. The existence of Intra-industry trade (IIT).
  2. Most trade is between similar-looking countries.
  3. The gravity equation fits well.
  5. The home market effect.

- Ironically, it is often claimed that “New” Trade theory came about because neoclassical trade models couldn’t explain 1-4.
  - Unfortunately, this is not true, as we’ll discuss. (But of course NTT has many attractions even absent the question of whether it can uniquely explain facts 1-4.)
  - So we need better tests. Findings 5-6 offer more hope.
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Finding 1: Intra-Industry Trade

  - Grubel-Lloyd index (for country $i$ in industry $k$): $GL^k_i \equiv 1 - \frac{|X^k_i - M^k_i|}{X^k_i + M^k_i}$.
  - Typically takes values higher than 0.5, and this has been growing since 1975 (see, eg, Helpman (JEP, 1998)).

- Bhagwati and Davis (1993) discuss the issues involved in inferring what IIT implies for the importance of IRTS.
What is an industry? Two typical definitions

- Goods that are close substitutes in consumption (closer within than between).
  - This is probably (?) closest to how statistical agencies construct industry groupings.

- Goods that use similar factor intensities in production.
  - This is probably not how statistical agencies construct industry groupings.
  - But Finger (1975): K/L ratios differ more within 3-digit industries than between them. (Though Maskus (1991) updated this and found there to be slightly more between than within.)

- Strict interpretation of industries in the data as “goods/products” in model would mean both of these.
GL (1975) noted that IIT is clearly very sensitive to aggregation.

Aggregation at what level?

- Most obvious issue is aggregation over goods (see below).
- But can also have aggregation over time ("seasonal trade"—where trade goes from country A to B in one season, but from B to A in another season) or over space ("border trade"; hypothetical example would be where Seattle sells cars to Vancouver, but Toronto sells cars to Detroit).

Chipman (1992) has looked at the extent of IIT over different levels of SITC groupings.

- Fitting an equation and extrapolating it, he finds that all IIT would disappear by 18-digit goods. (But note that the finest international trade data is at the 10-digit level.)
- But if the existing industry categories are not appropriately defined in the context of a given theory, then it is hard to know what to make of these results.
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Finding 2: Most trade is North-North; or, most trade is between similar-looking countries.

- It was never formally claimed that this could never happen in a neoclassical model.

- Key obstacle is that, with more than 2 countries, neoclassical models typically don’t make bilateral predictions about who trades with whom.
  - Though non-FPE versions of the H-O model, like that in Helpman (1984), are exception, and do make bilateral statements.

- Davis (JPE, 1997):
  - Showed in an elegant and transparent manner how endowment differences translate into trade flow differences.
  - He hence documented the conditions under which, even in a pure HO model, similarly-endowed countries trade less with one another than do differently-endowed countries.
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The Gravity Equation

- The gravity equation is one of the best fitting and most established empirical relationships in all of Trade.
  - Though as an aside (which we will see more of in Lecture 16), Trefler and Lai (2002) demonstrate how the segments of the variation that the gravity equation fits well require only assumptions that virtually any economic model would maintain (eg market clearing).

- For a long time, the impressive fit of the gravity equation was seen as evidence for the importance of IRTS in trade.
  - This is partly because Helpman (1987) and Bergstrand (ReStat, 1989) showed how elegantly the monopolistic competition theory of trade (eg Helpman and Krugman (1985)) could be manipulated into a gravity equation form.
  - But really, the field had known since at least Anderson (AER, 1979) that the so-called “Armington” model could deliver a gravity equation, and the Armington model is really just an extreme Ricardian model. (We’ll see more of the Armington model in a later lecture.)
It is now widely recognized that the key to a gravity equation-style relationship is just specialization.

This point was very nicely made in Deardorff (1998).

We will see in Lecture 14 how a wide range of very applicable trade models all predict the gravity equation:

- Armington (i.e. Anderson, 1979).
- Krugman (1980).
- Ricardian model as in Eaton and Kortum (2002). (Or DFS (1977) in the 2-country case.)
- Special cases of Melitz (2003).

Anderson and van Wincoop (JEL, 2004) provide sufficient conditions for a gravity equation.
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Finding 4: Market Size matters

- Two tests of this:
  - Redding and Venables (JIE, 2004): does measured “market access” (as measured from the fixed effects in a gravity equation) predict Y/L? Yes.
  - Redding and Sturm (AER, 2008): When Germany was partitioned, did cities on the Eastern edge of West Germany (who lost market access) suffer? Did they recover when Germany was re-unified? Does “market access” predict the magnitude of these effects? Yes, yes and yes.

- Unfortunately, the models used to generate a ‘market access’ term in these papers are all effectively gravity models, which (as discussed above) is a class of models that includes both IRTS and neoclassical variants. So the demonstrated evidence that market size matters can’t be taken as evidence for IRTS over neoclassical forces.
Redding and Venables (2004): Results

MA (“Market access”) is constructed using an inverse trade-cost weighted sum of gravity equation fixed effects.

We now move on to present our preferred specification of the relationship between economic geography and per capita income, where we control for cross-country variation.

Fig. 2. GDP per capita and MA: \( \text{DMA}(1) + \text{FMA} \).

Fig. 3. GDP per capita and MA: \( \text{DMA}(2) + \text{FMA} \).

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\text{In MA} = \ln(\text{DMA}(1) + \text{FMA})
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Fig. 2. GDP per capita and MA = DMA(1) + FMA.
Redding and Sturm (2008): Results
The Partition of Germany: some Western Germany cities (i.e. those near the E-W border) lost a great deal of market access

Map 1: The Division of Germany after the Second World War

Notes: The map shows Germany in its borders prior to the Second World War (usually referred to as the 1937 borders) and the division of Germany into an area that became part of Russia, an area that became part of Poland, East Germany and West Germany. The West German cities in our sample which were within 75 kilometers of the East-West German border are denoted by squares, all other cities by circles.
Redding and Sturm (2008): Results
‘Treatment’ cities are in West Germany, but within 75km of East-West border

Figure 3: Indices of Treatment & Control City Population

Figure 4: Difference in Population Indices, Treatment − Control
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Finding 5: The Home Market Effect

Recall the HME (as in Krugman, 1980):

In a 2-country world, with at least one sector featuring IRTS and transport costs, and with elastic factor supply to that sector in each country (driven in Krugman (1980) by the assumption of a perfectly competitive, homogeneous, zero-trade cost outside good), the country with higher relative demand for the IRTS good will export that good.
Finding 5: The Home Market Effect

As we saw in Lecture 8, the HME is one particularly novel finding to emerge from IRTS theories of trade.

- In particular, in a CRTS world (with trade costs or not), it would be strange for an increase in a country’s relative demand for a good to cause that country to export more of the good.

HME is important, not just for distinguishing IRTS from CRTS in Trade theory:

- Important policy ramifications if HME is true.
- Much of the modern approach to Economic Geography (since Krugman, 1991) relies on the HME.
Finding 5: The Home Market Effect

- So testing for the HME is attractive as a test for the importance of IRTS in trade.
  - Unfortunately, testing for it is not trivial.
  - We would like to nest it in an otherwise standard neoclassical model, which is hard.
  - We would like to generalize it to many countries/industries, which is hard.
  - We would like to drop the elastic labor supply assumption but this is also hard.

- Despite these difficulties, researchers have made progress here. Prominent examples include:
  - Davis and Weinstein (JIE, 2003)
  - Hanson and Xiang (AER, 2004)
  - Behrens et al (2009)
Davis and Weinstein (2003)

- NB: A lengthier discussion can be found in DW (1996, working paper).
- DW (2003) use data on OECD manufacturing and try to nest H-O with a version of Krugman (1980) that delivers an HME.
- They focus on the implications of the HME for production rather than exporting behavior, but the same intuition goes through for exporting.
Model 1: Pure HO:

- HO working at the 4-digit industry level, with $G = F$.
- Let $n$ index ‘industries’, which DW take to be 3-digit industries.
- And let $g$ index ‘goods’ within these 3-digit industries, which are then 4-digit industries.
- A result from HO theory (that you will see next quarter with Kyle) establishes that when $F = G$, we can write: $X_{ngc} = R_{ng} V_c$, where:
  - $R_{ng}$ is the (row corresponding to good $g$ in industry $n$ of the) what is often called “the Rybczinski matrix.”
  - $X_{ngc}$ refers to output in country $c$ of good $g$ in industry $n$.
  - $V_c$ is the vector of factor endowments in country $c$. 
Model 2: Krugman-HO:

- HO now is assumed to work at the 3-digit level.
- And (with CES preferences, iceberg trade costs, and the assumption that both fixed and marginal production costs use the same bundle of factors), all goods $g$ inside an industry $n$ will use the same factor bundles, so $R_{ng}$ continues to convert factors into production.
- But production within industries is indeterminate. So DW assume that, absent idiosyncratic demand differences, each country will allocate factors across goods within an industry in the same proportion as all other countries: $X_{ngc} = \frac{X_{ng,ROW}}{X_{n,ROW}} \times X_{nc}$. Define $SHARE_{ngc} \equiv \frac{X_{ng,ROW}}{X_{n,ROW}} \times X_{nc}$.
- Idiosyncratic demand differences will tilt this. A country that has higher demand for a good will produce more of the good (how much more depends on whether we have a HME or not).
- Define this ‘tilt’ as $IDIODEM_{ngc} = (\frac{\tilde{D}_{ngc}}{D_{nc}} - \frac{\tilde{D}_{ng,ROW}}{D_{n,ROW}})X_{nc}$, where $\tilde{D}$ is absorption, to be defined shortly.
Based on the above logic, DW (2003) argue that:

- Production \( (X_{ngc}) \) should depend on fundamental HO forces (ie \( X_{ngc} = R_{ng} V_c \)).
- But we should also allow for a potential adjustment to this that is increasing in \( SHARE_{ngc} \) and \( IDIODEM_{ngc} \).
- So assume that production is simply linear in these last 2 terms and estimate:
  \[
  X_{ngc} = \alpha_{ng} + \beta_1 SHARE_{ngc} + \beta_2 IDIODEM_{ngc} + R_{ng} V_c + \varepsilon_{ngc}.
  \]

We expect the following:

- \( \beta_2 = 0 \): zero-trade costs world (IRTS or CRTS).
- \( \beta_2 \in (0, 1] \): CRTS with trade costs.
- \( \beta_2 > 1 \): IRTS (HME).
How do we measure a country’s total ‘demand’ (really, absorption—i.e. final plus intermediate demand) for a good, ie $\tilde{D}_{ngc}$?

- DW (1996) used simply the amount of local demand in country $c$ for this good $g$ in industry $n$.
- DW (2003) instead use the derived demand for country $c$’s goods both at home and in its trading partners as well. To measure this they first regress, industry-by-industry, a gravity equation to get the effect of distance on demand. From this they can sum over all trade partners, down-weighting by distance, to get a sense of the ‘market size’ for $g, n$ faced by country $c$.
- This distinction turns out to have big effects.

An important concern is simultaneity bias: do un-modeled production differences drive idiosyncratic demand differences (for example, by changing prices, or even tastes?)

- DW use lagged (by 15 years) demand data to try to mitigate this.
- Various other discussions in text.
Table 1
Pooled runs (Dependent variable is 4-digit output; standard errors below estimates)

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IDIODEM is idiosyncratic demand, SHARE is the share of 4-digit output in 3-digit output in the rest of the world, EXPORTD is a dummy variable that is one if the country is a net exporter of the good, and FACTORS indicates whether the coefficients on factor endowments were allowed to differ across 4-digit sectors. No indicates that the coefficients on factor endowments were constrained to be the same for every 3-digit sector; Yes means they varied by 4-digit sector.
Strong evidence for $\beta_2 > 1$, so an HME.

- Endowments account for around 50% of production variation, and CRTS around 30%.
- Running this regression industry-by-industry reveals that $\beta_2 > 1$ in around half of the industries.

This contrasts starkly with DW (1996), which used only local demand to construct $D$, where $\beta_2 = 0.3$.

In parallel work, DW (EER, 1999) did a similar exercise to DW (1996) on Japanese regions and estimated $\beta_2 = 0.9$, which suggests greater scope for an HME within countries.

Though these results are hard to compare with DW (1996, 2003) since the Japanese data are at a coarser level of industry aggregation.
HX construct a Krugman (1980)-style model that makes predictions about which industries are more likely exhibit an HME, and then looks for that in export data.

- A nice feature is its ‘difference-in-difference’ design, which is there to try to difference out some unobserved and/or endogenous terms.
HX (2004): 2-country model

- HX build intuition for their main, multi-country empirical specification by developing a 2-country model with many industries.
  - 2 countries (H and F), with $L_H > L_F$.
  - A continuum of industries ($z$), each of which is a Krugman (1980) sector (i.e. inside $z$ are a continuum of varieties, with CES preference parameter $\sigma(z)$ and trade costs $\tau(z)$.)
  - Have to restrict technologies a bit to simplify the cross-industry specialization. Recall the goal here is to get an industry-level prediction on how much HME there is in industry $z$. 
Difficult to make predictions about total output in each country/sector here. But HX show how one can get predictions about the relative sales between two types of industries:

1. “T” industries: high scope for product differentiation (i.e. low $\sigma(T)$) and high transport costs (i.e. high $\tau(T)$)
2. “C” industries: high $\sigma(C)$ and low $\tau(C)$

HX show that there is a larger HME in industry $T$ than in $C$:

- That is, $n_H(T)/n_F(T) > n_H(C)/n_F(C) > L_H/L_F$.
- (Recall that $n$ is the number of varieties, and since with CES the output per variety is the same everywhere, so counting varieties is the same as counting dollars of sales.)
HX (2004): N-country model

HX (2004) then consider an N-country model, with a discrete number of industries.

The only other modification is to write trade costs (from country $i$ to country $j$ in industry $k$) as: $\tau_{ij}^k = t_{ij}^k (d_{ij})^{\gamma_k}$, where $t_{ij}^k$ is the tariff on this trade and $d_{ij}$ is the distance between $i$ and $j$.

They then show the following (which is a simple matter of writing down CES demand functions and substituting in the supply side of a Krugman (1980) model) holds for exports from any pair of countries ($i$ and $m$) to any destination $j$:

$$\frac{S_{ij}^T / S_{mj}^T}{S_{ij}^C / S_{mj}^C} = \frac{n_i^T / n_m^T (w_i^T / w_m^T)^{1-\sigma_T}}{n_i^C / n_m^C (w_i^C / w_m^C)^{1-\sigma_C}} (d_{ij} / d_{mj})^{(1-\sigma_T)\gamma_T - (1-\sigma_C)\gamma_C}$$
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\frac{S_{ij}^T / S_{mj}^T}{S_{ij}^C / S_{mj}^C} = \frac{n_i^T / n_m^T}{n_i^C / n_m^C} \left( \frac{w_i^T / w_m^T}{w_i^C / w_m^C} \right)^{1-\sigma_T} \left( \frac{d_{ij} / d_{mj}}{(1-\sigma_T)\gamma_T - (1-\sigma_C)\gamma_C} \right)
\]

- Here, \( S_{ij}^T \) is the total sales (ie exports) of country \( i \) in country \( j \) in industry \( T \), and \( w_i^T \) is the total factor input cost in country \( i \) and industry \( T \).

- Note that tariffs dropped out, because of the double differencing—that is, by making this a comparison of country \( j \)’s exports to \( k \) relative to country \( h \)’s exports to \( k \) (the first difference), and then all of this in industry \( T \) relative to industry \( C \) (the second difference).
Recall that, in the 2-country, one-factor model, HX show that:

\[ L_i > L_m \Rightarrow \frac{n_i^T}{n_m^T} \frac{n_i^C}{n_m^C}. \]

HX argue that it is therefore plausible that the following regression captures the essence of the extension to a real world with many countries and factors:

\[
\ln\left( \frac{S_{ij}^T}{S_{mj}^T} \frac{S_{ij}^C}{S_{mj}^C} \right) = \alpha + \beta f\left( \frac{Y_i}{Y_m} \right) + \phi(X_i - X_m) + \theta \ln\left( \frac{d_{ij}}{d_{mj}} \right) + \varepsilon_{TCimj}
\]

Where

- \( \phi(X_i - X_m) \) denotes a set of controls for cost differences between countries \( i \) and \( m \) (meant as a proxy for \( \frac{(w_i^T/w_m^T)^{1-\sigma_T}}{(w_i^C/w_m^C)^{1-\sigma_C}} \)).
- \( f(\cdot) \) is some increasing function (in the empirical application, HX use a set of polynomials).

Here, the model prediction is that \( \beta > 0 \).
Require empirical estimates of $\sigma(k)$ and $\tau(k)$ for all industries $k$ in order to group industries into $T$ and $C$ groups.

For $\tau(k)$:
- Use estimates of reported freight (and insurance) payments, as fraction of “FOB” import value, for US imports. From Feenstra (1996).
- Then regress those on log distance (and a constant) from origin country to US, separately by industry.
- Then resulting predicted value from this regression (at median distance within HX sample countries) is used as proxy for $\tau(k)$ for each industry $k$. 
HX (2004): Empirical Implementation

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- For $\sigma(k)$:
  - Use estimates from Hummels (1999), which regresses log imports on log freight costs (using same data as described in previous slide). This uncovers the parameter $\sigma(k)$ in the present Krugman (1980) model.
  - But that same regression can have other interpretations (as we have seen in our discussion of Ricardian models, and as we shall see when we add firm heterogeneity to the Krugman model in our next lecture).

- Resulting $T$ and $C$ groups chosen by quantiles of both $\sigma(k)$ and $\tau(k)$—though note that strict application of theory would suggest the use of scalar $\tau(k)^{1-\sigma(k)}$ to group industries.
### Table 2—Industry Freight Costs and Substitution Elasticities (σ)

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### Table 5—Difference-in-Difference Gravity Equation, Pooled Sample of Industries

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**Notes:** This table shows estimation results for the specification in equation (11), in which the dependent variable is, for a pair of countries, log relative exports in a treatment industry minus log relative exports in a control industry. GDP is the GDP ratio for a country pair. Other variables are expressed as differences (Common language, Common border) or log differences (all other variables) for a country pair. T-statistics (calculated from standard errors that have been adjusted for correlation of the errors across observations that share the same pair of exporting countries) are in parentheses. The sample is exports by 107 country pairs to 58 importing countries pooled across the 273 treatment-control industry matches in the data (N = 1,396,395).
### Table 6—Difference-in-Difference Gravity Equation, Additional Results

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**Notes:** This table shows results in which the sample or specification is modified relative to the regression in column (3) of Table 5, which we refer to as the preferred regression. See notes to Table 5 for other details on the estimation. Column (1) adds log relative market potential to the preferred regression. Columns (2) and (3) change the sample in the preferred regression by restricting importers to be the 15 [column (2)] or 7 [column (3)] largest importing countries. Columns (4), (5), and (6) change the sample in the preferred regression by restricting treatment-control industry matches to be more restrictive treatment to more restrictive control industries (4), more restrictive treatment to all control industries (5), or all treatment to more restrictive control industries (6). Columns (7) and (8) change the sample and specification in the preferred regression by randomly matching industries [where industry pairs are either the full set of possible industry matches (7) or the initial treatment-control industry matches (8)], rerunning the difference-in-difference gravity regression, and then repeating the exercise 1,000 times.
## Table 7—Summary of Industry-by-Industry Regression Results

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**Notes:** This table summarizes the coefficient estimates on log relative exporter GDP for the specification in column (3) of Table 5, in which we reestimate the regression separately for each of the 273 treatment-control industry matches in the data (N = 5,115 for each industry pair). It shows, for all industry matches or subsets of industry matches, shares of regressions with a positive coefficient estimate and with a positive and statistically significant at the 10-percent level. The more restrictive treatment industries are 666, 678, 625, 676, 677, 672, 673, 661, and 662. The less restrictive treatment industries are 671, 621, 674, 679, 665, 663, 642, 812, 641, 635, 821, and 634. The more restrictive control industries are 541, 752, 761, 764, 762, and 759. The less restrictive control industries are 884, 514, 881, 751, 882, 885, and 726.
Other work on the HME

- Head and Ries (AER, 2001):
  - Studying which firms expanded and contracted in Canada around NAFTA.

- Behrens, Lamorgese, Ottaviano and Tabuchi (2009):
  - Point out that extending Krugman (1980) from 2 to N countries is hard, and that the simple HME doesn’t survive.
  - This also casts doubt on Hanson and Xiang (2004) extension from 2 to N countries.
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Test 6: Path Dependence

- Under certain conditions, models of IRTS can generate path dependence: initial, random advantage can become permanent.
  - This is what happens when the HME (in Krugman 1980) is combined with factor mobility (as Krugman (JPE, 1991) did to great effect).

- Tests of path dependence (have been contradictory!):
  - Davis and Weinstein (AER, 2002): Did city population shares in Japan return to normal after WWII bombing? Yes.
  - Davis and Weinstein (JRS, 2008): Did city-by-industry manufacturing output/employment shares do the same? Yes.
  - Bleakley and Lin (2010): Is current US population clustered in places that have natural resources that were *previously* productive, but are no longer of any productive use? Yes.

- What follows are just teasers. We will discuss these papers in more detail in Lectures 16-18 (on Economic Geography).
Davis and Weinstein (2002)
The big two returned to normal

**FIGURE 2. POPULATION GROWTH**

The diagram shows the population growth trends for Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The graph plots the log of the population against the year, from 1925 to 1975. Two lines are depicted:

- **1925-1940 Hiroshima Trend**
- **1925-1940 Nagasaki Trend**

The data indicates a clear indication that these cities returned to their prewar growth trends, although the process took longer in Hiroshima compared to other cities, which is not surprising given the level of destruction.
And in general, we see mean reversion (i.e. the opposite of path dependence)

\[ \text{Sit} + 1 = \text{Sit} + 12\text{it}^\text{I*} \]

If \( p \in [0, 1) \), then city share is stationary and any shock will dissipate over time. In other words, these two hypotheses can be distinguished by identifying the parameter \( p \).

One approach to investigating the magnitude of \( p \) is to search for a unit root. It is well known that unit root tests usually have little power to separate \( p < 1 \) from \( p = 1 \). This is due to the fact that in traditional unit root tests the innovations are not observable and so identify \( p \) with very large standard errors. A major advantage of our data set is that we can easily identify the innovations due to bombing. In particular, since by hypothesis the innovation, \( v_t \), is uncorrelated with the error term (in square brackets), then if we can identify the innovation, we can obtain an unbiased estimate of \( p \).

An obvious method of looking at the innovation is to use the growth rate from 1940 to 1947. However, this measure of the innovation may contain not only information about the bombing but also past growth rates. This is a measurement error problem that could bias our estimates in either direction depending on \( p \). In order to solve this, we instrument the growth rate from 1940-1947 with buildings destroyed per capita and deaths per capita.

We can obtain a feel for the data by considering the impact of bombing on city growth rates. As we argued earlier, if city growth rates follow a random walk, then all shocks to cities should be permanent. In this case, one should expect to see no relationship between historical shocks and future growth rates. Moreover, if one believes that there is positive serial correlation in the data, then one should expect to see a positive correlation between past and future growth rates. By contrast, if one believes that location-specific factors are crucial in understanding the distribution of population, then one should expect to see a negative relationship between a historical shock and the subsequent growth rate. In Figure 1 we present a plot of

**Figure 1. Effects of Bombing on Cities with More than 30,000 Inhabitants**

*Note:* The figure presents data for cities with positive casualty rates only.
FIGURE 7: Mean-Differenced Industry Growth Rates.

In this section, we present our threshold regression results. Because it is possible that multiple equilibria arise at one level of aggregation even if not at another, we consider this at various levels of aggregation. We consider it first using the city population data considered in Davis and Weinstein (2002). The analysis of that data is augmented here by our new approach which sharpens the contrast between the theory of unique versus multiple equilibria and which also places the theories on a more even footing in our estimation approach. Thereafter, we consider the same questions using data on city aggregate manufacturing and city-industry observations for eight manufacturing industries. Since manufacturing is less than half of all economic activity within a typical city, it should be clear that even if population in a city were to recover from the shocks, this need not be true of aggregate city-manufacturing. The same point holds a fortiori for particular industries within manufacturing, which we also examine.

We begin by considering city population data. Column 1 of Table 4 replicates the Davis and Weinstein (2002) results using population data. The IV estimate in column 1 tests a null of a unique stable equilibrium by asking if we can reject...
FIGURE 8: Prewar vs Postwar Growth Rate.

Normalized Growth (1938 to 1948)

that the coefficient on the wartime (1940–1947) growth rate is minus unity. We cannot reject a coefficient of minus unity, hence cannot reject a null that there is a unique stable equilibrium. We also find that regionally-directed government reconstruction expenses following the war had no significant impact on city sizes 20 years after the war.

We next apply our threshold regression approach described above to testing for multiple equilibria. This places unique and multiple equilibria on an even footing. The results are reported in the remaining columns of Table 4. In column 2 of Table 4, we present the results for the estimation of equation (11) in the case in which there is a unique equilibrium. Given how close our previous estimate of \( \beta \) was to 0 (minus unity on wartime growth), it is not surprising that the estimates of the other parameters do not change much when we constrain \( \beta \) to take on this value.

Columns 3–5 present the results for threshold regressions premised on various numbers of equilibria. In principle, we could have considered the possibility of more than four equilibria. However, neither the data plots nor any of the regression results suggested that raising the number of potential equilibria was likely to improve the results.
The ‘fall line’ is a geological feature. If one were traveling upstream from the ocean prior to the use of locks/canals, it the first point at which one would have had to engage in ‘portage’ (ie unload the boat and re-load a different boat upstream).

Appendix Figure A: The density of economic activity near intersections between the fall line and fall-line rivers

Notes: this map shows the contemporary distribution of economic activity across the southeastern U.S., measured by the 1996-7 nighttime lights layer from NationalAtlas.gov. The nighttime lights are used to present a nearly continuous measure of present-day economic activity at a high spatial frequency. The fall line (solid) is digitized from Physical Divisions of the United States, produced by the U.S. Geological Survey. Major rivers (dashed gray) are from NationalAtlas.gov, based on data produced by the U.S. Geological Survey. Many fall line-river intersections lie in present-day metropolitan areas, including (from the northeast) New Brunswick, Trenton, Philadelphia, Washington, Richmond, Fayetteville, Columbia, Augusta, Macon, Columbus, Tuscaloosa, Little Rock, Fort Worth, Austin, and San Antonio.
Panel A: Average by absolute distance from the fall line
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An Aggregation Theorem I

Chipman (1991) proved an ‘Aggregation theorem’ about IIT:

- In a conventional HO economy with $G$ goods, $F$ factors and $N$ countries, with $G = F$,
- And with the world economy inside the FPE set,
- Given any aggregation of the $G$ goods into $\tilde{G} < G$ groupings,
- There exists an allocation of world endowments such that any given share of trade is intra-industry trade.

Note that the aggregation scheme here is unspecified.

So it could be based on consumption similarity, production similarity, or any other dimension of similarity (eg, ease of data collection, idiosyncratic whims of the person who created SITC classifications...) you want.
The intuition behind this result:

- Imagine a perfectly symmetric world in which there is no trade.
- Now let the countries exchange some of their relative endowments such that incomes (and hence consumption patterns) remain unchanged. Production, however, will change.
- If the endowment change promotes production of good X in one country and good Y in the other country, and if goods X and Y are two goods that we’ve chosen to be inside the same ‘industry’ grouping, then the only trade that emerges is ‘intra-industry’.

Note that ‘inside the FPE set’ is not innocuous here.

- It requires that the $A(w)$ matrix is non-singular, which requires that each good $G$ is using (even slightly) different factor intensities at $w$.
- So the two goods aggregated together into an industry can have ‘similar’, but not identical, factor intensities.
Chipman (1992)

- Chipman (1991) said that it is possible to get IIT in an HO model. But how much IIT should we expect in a ‘typical’ HO model?
- Chipman (1992) works with a simple example, but the intuition that emerges is, ‘a lot’.
  - That is, IIT is likely to be the rule rather than the exception in an HO-style model.
  - The basic intuition is that as the technologies for making 2 goods become more similar, the PPF becomes flatter, which gives rise to more specialization.
  - So if we group goods into ‘industries’ based on production similarity, there will be lots of scope for intra-industry specialization within these groupings, and hence lots of scope for IIT.
- Rodgers (1988) extended this in a more formal direction, defining production similarity on a Euclidian norm operating on Cobb-Douglas elasticities.
Davis (JIE, 1995)

- Davis (1995) provides what is probably the best-known result about IIT in neoclassical settings.

- The above examples suggested that intra-industry specialization (IIS) is the key to generating IIT.
  - Scale economies generate IIS, but so too can Ricardian forces of differential technologies (in a simple Ricardian model, if we define the entire economy as one ‘industry’ then there is clearly both IIS and IIT).

- So Davis develops a HO-Ricardian model in which there is an arbitrary amount of IIT.
  - This is true even though the aggregation of goods into industries is based on identical factor intensities.
  - This is different from Chipman’s (1991, 1992) pure-HO cases in which the aggregation had to be over ‘similar’, but non-identical, factor intensities.
3 goods: $X_1, X_2,$ and $Y$.
- $X_1$ and $X_2$ are the 2 goods in an ‘industry’, with identical factor intensities.

2 countries:
- Country 1: $X_1 = AF(K_{X_1}, L_{X_1}), \ X_2 = F(K_{X_2}, L_{X_2})$ and $Y = G(K_Y, L_Y)$.
- Country 2: $X_1 = F(K_{X_1}, L_{X_1}), \ X_2 = F(K_{X_2}, L_{X_2})$ and $Y = G(K_Y, L_Y)$.

So $A > 1$ is the essential Ricardian element of this otherwise HO model.

Davis solves for the Integrated Equilibrium (IE):
- And shows that it will always involve techniques such that country 1 is capable of producing the entire world supply of good $X_1$. 
The FPE set

Point $V(1)$ is the vector of factors the IE would use to make good 1, which is then the new origin for country 1.

Fig. 1. The integrated equilibrium.
Generating Arbitrary Amounts of IIT
Consider moving from endowments at A, B, C and D. The slope of the A-D line is \( \frac{-w}{r} \), so incomes (and hence the factor content of consumption) are constant. As we move from A to D, country 2 produces less Y and more X₂.
It has often been argued that product differentiation and IIT go hand in hand.

Eg: Grubel-Lloyd (1975) subtitle: *The theory and measurement of international trade in differentiated products.*

And product differentiation and IRTS are often argued to go hand in hand.

But Davis (1995) points out that a rise in the number of products $G$ relative to factors $F$ (ie the presence of $G > F$, which we might think of as ‘product differentiation’) also makes any technology differences across countries more likely to generate IIT (even with CRTS).
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Consider a $4 \times 4 \times 4$ framework:

- 2 Northern countries, 2 Southern countries.
- Northern countries relatively endowed with ‘North-type’ factors. Endowments inside FPE set.
- 2 ‘North-type’ industries (to be defined shortly), and 2 ‘South-type’ industries.
Let technology-techniques matrix, \( A(w) \) be given by:

\[
A(w) = B + \delta \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\
-1 & -1 & 1 & 1
\end{bmatrix} + \epsilon \begin{bmatrix}
e_1 & -e_1 & e_2 & -e_2 \\
-e_1 & e_1 & -e_2 & e_2 \\
e_2 & -e_2 & e_1 & -e_1 \\
-e_2 & e_2 & -e_1 & e_1
\end{bmatrix}
\]

\( \equiv D \)

\( \equiv E \)

Here, first 2 columns are goods in North-type industries; first 2 rows are North-type factors.
\[ A = B + \delta D + \epsilon E \]

- So the B matrix represents ‘average’ input coefficients.
- The D matrix represents technological dispersion between industries.
- The E matrix represents technological dispersion within industries.
- And then the notion of an ‘industry’ (based on technological similarity) comes from conditions which (are not unambiguous but) generally require \( \delta \) to exceed a mixture of \( \epsilon \) and \( e_1 \) and \( e_2 \).
  - That is, there is more dispersion in \( A \) between industries than within.
Davis (1997): Results

From this, Davis (1997) shows that the HOV equations imply the following:

1. \( V^N - V^S = 2t^{NS}\delta D_1 \) (where \( t^{NS} \) is the total trade volume of the North with the South, and \( D_1 \) is the first row of \( D \)).

2. \( V^N - V^N = 2t^{NN}\epsilon E_1 \) (defined similarly).

Hence, for fixed endowment differences, the volumes of trade depend critically on \( \delta \) and \( \epsilon \).

1. If the goods in which N and S specialize are very different in their input intensities (high \( \delta \)) then only a small amount of trade (low \( t^{NS} \)) is needed to accomplish the required amount of factor trade.

2. If the goods in which N and N’ specialize are very similar (low \( \epsilon \)) then even though the net content of factor services traded will be small, there is lots of back-and-forth factor services trade, which is accomplished by lots of goods trade (high \( t^{NN} \)).
From this framework, Davis (1997) constructs an example in which $t^{NN} > t^{NS} > t^{SS}$, which is roughly what we see in the world today.

But note how this was achieved without allowing for:

- Higher levels of trade protection in the South (leading to little N-S or S-S trade).
- Non-homothetic tastes (which might make consumption patterns in the North relatively similar, promoting N-N trade).
- The North to be richer, and hence to trade more with anyone (leading to more N-N trade).
- Trade costs that are proportional to distance (to allow for the fact that, in the real world, ‘N’ countries are probably closer to other ‘N’ countries than ‘S’ countries.)
DW (2003) explore the factor content of N-N trade empirically.

They use the data (from DW (AER, 2001)) on actual, reported $\bar{B}^c(w^c)$ matrices in each country.

- So there is no real HO model content here. (This is not a test of HO.)

- Their interest here is in how to decompose entirely, tautologically, accurate measures of $F_c \equiv \bar{B}^c(w^c)E_c - \sum_{c'} \bar{B}^{c'}(w^{c'})M_{cc'}$, where $E_c$ is net exports from country $c$, and $M_{cc'}$ is net imports into country $c$ from country $c'$. 
The pure intra-industry component of $F_c$ is significant (42 % of all $F_c$).

- In a conventional HO model (with FPE) there is no IIT FCT.
- In fact, as discussed above, the existence of IIT has been taken as evidence against the HO model.
- But in this setting, where the $\bar{B}^c(w^c)$ matrices are allowed to differ (and, strikingly, do differ) we see that, even within the richest countries in the OECD, IIT is a conduit for much factor services trade.

For the median G10 country, lots of factor services trade is within the North.

- For K: 48 % is within North.
- For L: 37 % is within North.
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Deardorff (1998) also discusses how the HO model has gravity-like features to it.

- At first glance this is surprising, since bilateral trade isn’t pinned down in the HO model.
- But Deardorff points out that bilateral trade isn’t determined because buyers are indifferent about where they buy from.
- So if buyers (somewhat plausibly?) settled this indifference randomly, and in proportion to the ‘number’ of sellers offering them goods from each country, the resulting bilateral trades would be gravity-like.
Evenett and Keller (JPE, 2002)

- EK (2002) go beyond simply estimating a gravity equation across all country pairs.

- Instead, they note that:
  - While both IRTS and HO can predict gravity, they have different predictions on where (ie for which country pairs) we’re likely to see it at work.

- The EK (2002) argument:
  - IRTS (a la Krugman (1980)) always predicts gravity. And IRTS predicts high IIT. So in country pairs with ‘high IIT’, we should see gravity holding well.
  - HO (simple $2 \times 2$) predicts gravity only to the extent there is specialization. Specialization rises in the difference between the 2 countries’ endowments. So in country pairs with wide endowment differences, we should also see gravity holding. But HO does not predict IIT, so this should be true even in the ‘low IIT’ country pairs.
Evenett and Keller: 4 Models

They compare 4 models:

1. Pure-IRTS: Complete specialization, so \( M_{ij} = \alpha \frac{Y_i Y_j}{Y_W} \) with \( \alpha = 1 \). This is true in high-IIT samples, and more true as IIT rises.

2. Pure-HO with complete specialization (‘multicone HO’): so again \( \alpha = 1 \). But this is in low-IIT samples, and more true as endowment differences (‘FDIF’) rise.

3. Mix HO-IRTS (a la Helpman and Krugman (1985)): now \( \alpha = 1 - \gamma^i \), and \( \gamma^i \) being the share of GDP that is in the CRTS sector. This is true in high-IIT samples, and more true as IIT rises.

4. Pure HO with incomplete specialization (‘unicone HO’): now \( \alpha = \gamma^i - \gamma^j \), with \( \gamma^i \) being the share of GDP in one of the 2 sectors. This is in low-IIT samples, and more true as endowment differences (‘FDIF’) rise.
Estimates of $\alpha_v$, for each quintile $v$ based on either IIT-ness (GL index) or FDIF-ness

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**Ranked by Grubel-Lloyd Index**

| $v$ = 1 | 0.016 | 0.012 | 0.078 | 0.072 |
|         | (.012) | (.044) | (.005) | (.087) |
| $v$ = 2 | 0.044 | 0.036 | 0.053 | 0.047 |
|         | (.005) | (.052) | (.005) | (.060) |
| $v$ = 3 | 0.139 | 0.120 | 0.117 | 0.112 |
|         | (.013) | (.164) | (.009) | (.141) |
| $v$ = 4 | 0.069 | 0.049 | 0.123 | 0.109 |
|         | (.017) | (.097) | (.005) | (.124) |
| $v$ = 5 | 0.099 | 0.083 | 0.128 | 0.119 |
|         | (.015) | (.125) | (.006) | (.134) |
| All observations | 0.087 | 0.076 | 0.086 | 0.079 |
|         | (.009) | (.104) | (.004) | (.092) |

Only perfect specialization of production: yes reject | no reject | yes | reject | no | reject

$H_0$: $\alpha_i = \alpha \forall i$ reject | reject | reject | do not reject | reject

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Share of bilateral comparisons correct: N.A. | 9/10 | N.A. | 9/10

**Note.**—Standard errors are in parentheses.
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