

Trade, Jobs, and Worker Welfare

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Related Research

- **Local labor market approach on the effect of trade on labor market outcomes**

- ▶ Topalova (2010), Kovak (2013), Autor, Dorn, and Hanson (2013), Autor, Dorn, and Hanson (2015), McLaren and Hakobyan (2016), Dix-Carneiro and Kovak (2015), Dix-Carneiro and Kovak (2017) and Dix-Carneiro and Kovak (2019)
- ▶ We estimate the mobility friction and quantify welfare consequence of trade

- **Dynamic labor market adjustment to trade shocks**

- ▶ Artuc, Chaudhuri, and McLaren (2010, **ACM**), Dix-Carneiro (2014), Caliendo, Dvorkin, and Parro (2018, **CDP**), and Traiberman (2019)
- ▶ We capture both between- and within-labor-market labor mobility
- ▶ Search-based approach: Cosar et al. (2016), Fajgelbaum (2020)

- **(Modified) welfare consequences**

- ▶ Arkolakis, Costinot, and Rodriguez-Clare (2012), CDP (2018), Galle, Rodriguez-Clare, and Yi (2018)
- ▶ We derive welfare consequences of trade in a dynamic setting

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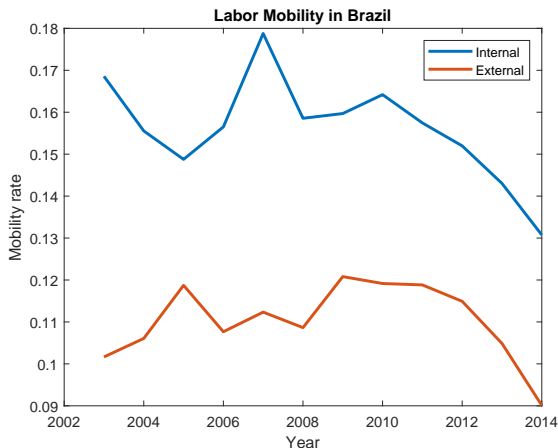
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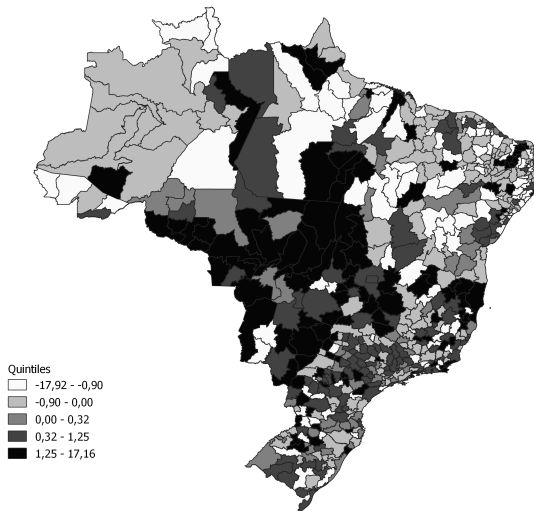
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- Within-labor market mobility is measured based on the # of workers who switch either 6-digit occupation or firm within the same labor market

Changes in Export Revenues by Microregion

- Changes in log export revenues 2004-2014



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Overview

1 International trade

- ▶ Building on Eaton and Kortum (2002)
- ▶ New elements: multiple sectors with IO linkages, multiple regions
- ▶ Producers have *love for variety of tasks*: more tasks are operated by producers in a larger region/sector

2 Labor mobility

- ▶ Workers endogenously choose the best job after comparing all job opportunities across all labor markets
- ▶ Each labor market offers a different # of job opportunities

- **General equilibrium**: trade patterns determine wages and the # of job opportunities which then affect labor allocation decision of workers

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 - ▶ workers' expected mobility decisions
 - ▶ expectation on aggregate shocks
- 4 Workers sample $N_{t+1}^k = \rho(O_{t+1}^k)$ job opportunities from each labor market k
- 5 Workers observe idiosyncratic utility for each job opportunity and the current job
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Equilibrium Trade Flows and Market Clearing

- The model delivers equilibrium gravity relationship for trade flows as in EK
 - ▶ Between region r of country 1 and country $n \neq 1$: $\lambda_{(1,r),n,t}^i$ and $\lambda_{n,(1,r),t}^i$
 - ★ $\lambda_{n,1,t}^i = \bar{R} \lambda_{n,(1,r),t}^i$ for aggregate imports of country 1
 - ▶ Between country $n \neq 1$ and country $n' \neq 1$: $\lambda_{n,n',t}$
- The exact price index for each sector and country also follows EK
- Labor market clearing: for $R^k = r$ and $I^k = i$ (\tilde{w} : nominal wage)

$$\tilde{w}_{1,t}^k L_{1,t}^k = \gamma_I \left(\sum_{r'} \lambda_{(1,R_k),(1,r'),t}^{S_k} X_{(1,r'),t}^{S_k} + \sum_{n' \neq 1} \lambda_{(1,R_k),n',t}^{S_k} X_{n',t}^{S_k} \right),$$

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Estimation Overview

- Data: RAIS from Brazil
 - ▶ The data covers only the formal labor market of Brazil
- Labor market: 558 microregions and 3 sectors
- An additional residual sector
 - ▶ Further assumption: no job switch within the residual sector
- Estimation process:
 - 1 Estimate moving probabilities \tilde{m}_t^{kl} along with $C_t(k, l)$ [Detail](#) [Results](#)
 - 2 Estimate the (inverse) labor supply elasticity $\nu = 0.484$ [Result detail](#)

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- Model-implied changes in relative welfare and the number of job opportunities

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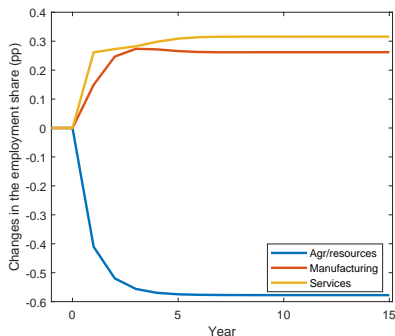
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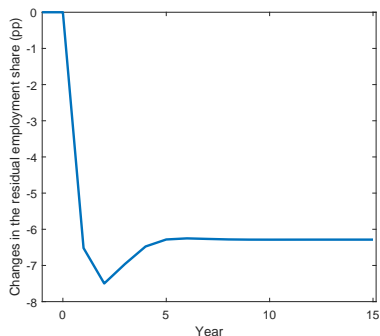
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Baseline Results: Labor Allocation

- **Benchmark counterfactual shock:** a 30% permanent decline of trade costs in the manufacturing sector from Brazil to each of its trading partner
- Between labor markets (aggregated to the sector level)



(a) within formal

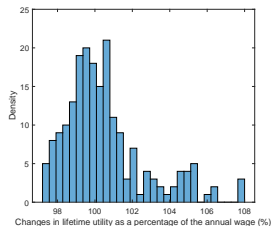


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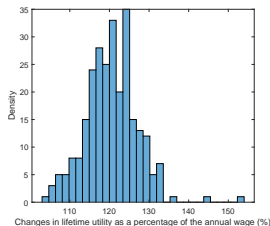
- Within labor markets (internal churning): AGR (+5.22%); MFG (+17.79%); SVC (+18.24%)

Welfare Effects between and within Sectors

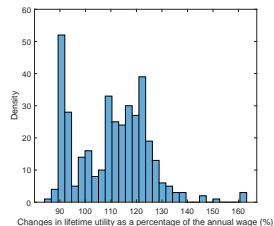
- Average lifetime utility of workers increase; equivalent to a one-time 120.43% increase of annual wage
- Sector-level average welfare gains:
 - ▶ MFG (124.39%) > SVC (120.21%) > AGR (100.78%)



(a) Agriculture



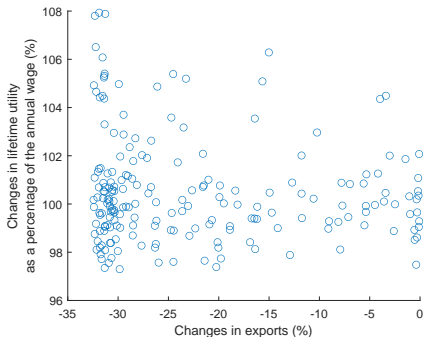
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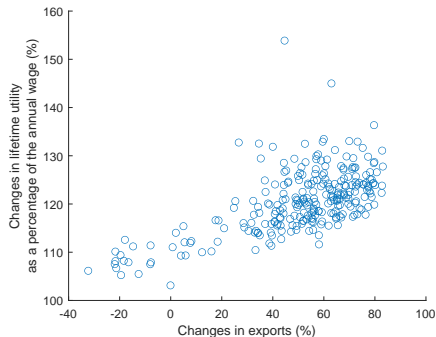
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Welfare Changes vs. Export Changes

- How much of the welfare change is explained by changes in exports induced by the counterfactual shock?



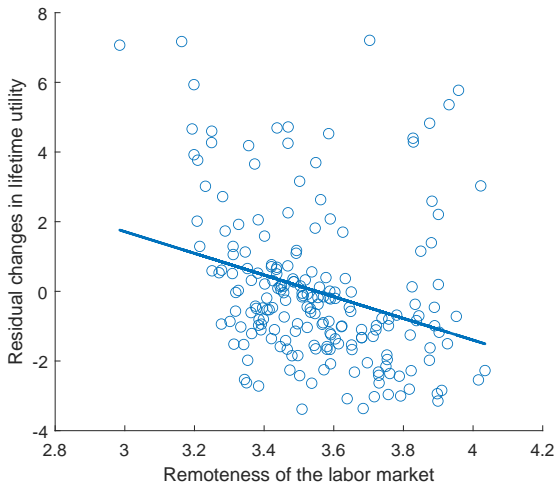
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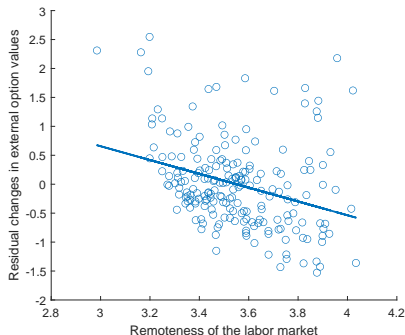
Residual Welfare Changes vs. Remoteness

- Residual welfare changes not explained by export changes are negatively associated with the remoteness of each agricultural labor market

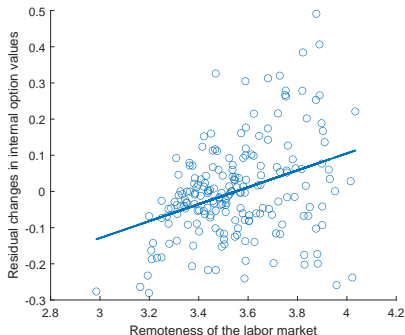


Residual Changes in Option Values vs. Remoteness

- Residual changes in external (internal) option values are negatively (positively) associated with the remoteness of the labor market



(a) External



(b) Internal

External vs. exports

Internal vs. exports

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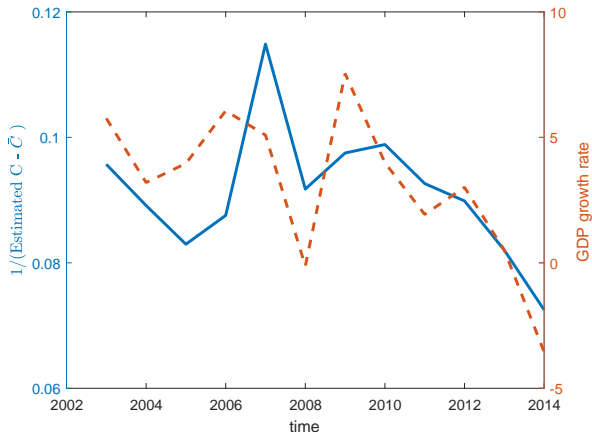
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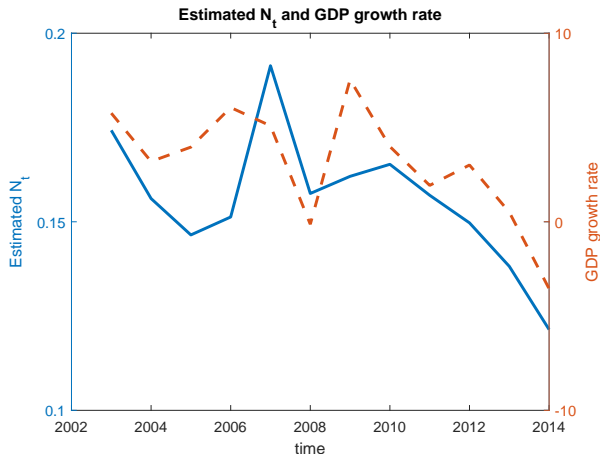
Estimated Moving Costs and Business Cycle

- Moving costs without taking into account the number of job opportunities (ACM and CDP) are negatively correlated with positive shocks



Estimated Job Opportunities and Business Cycle

- This correlation is from the positive correlation between changes in the number of job opportunities and positive shocks



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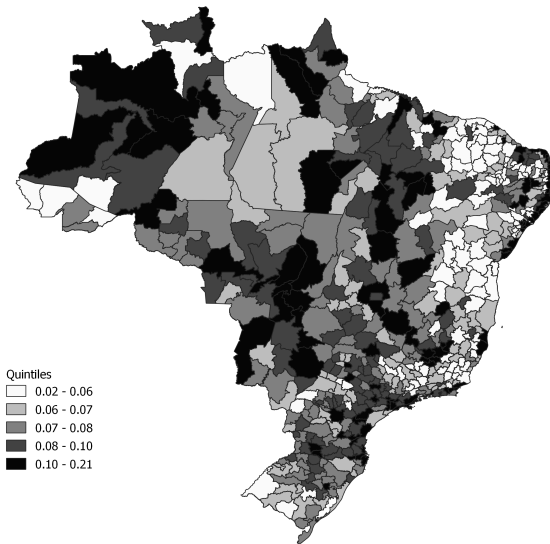
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Conclusion

- A new dynamic labor mobility model with trade featuring the endogenous number of job opportunities
- Trade shocks generate not only between-market but also within-market mobility
- A positive mfg export shock increases aggregate welfare but has distributional consequences between and within labor markets
- Workers initially in a better-connected market benefits more
- The job opportunity channel magnifies welfare gains from trade by 30%
- Lower between-market mobility frictions, especially across regions, increase welfare gains

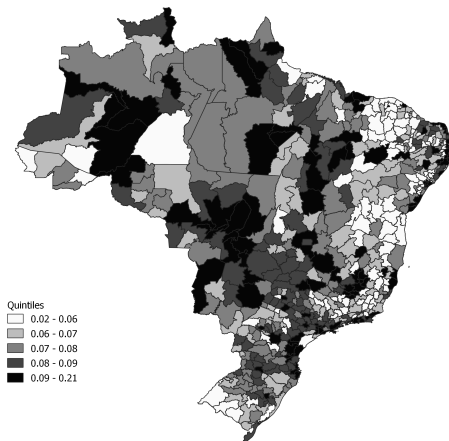
Gross Flow Rates

- Gross outflow rates by microregion 2004-2014



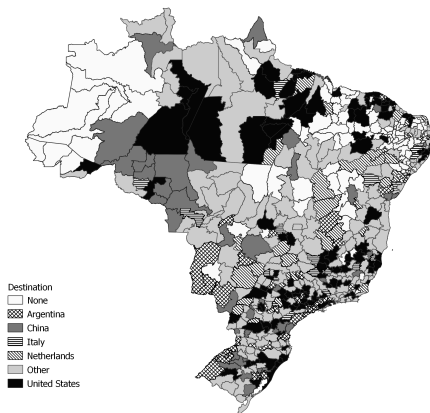
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Variation across Export Destinations

- Top export destination from each microregion in 2003



First-stage Result

- First-stage result between the export shock and the import demand

	ΔZ_t^k	s.e.	F-stat	# obs
$\Delta \bar{Z}_t^k$	0.7927	(0.0928)	29.8696	4008

- All variables are in log
- Standard errors are clustered by microregion \times year

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Production: Detail

- Production of variety ω in labor market k of country 1 at time t

$$Q_{1,t}^k(\omega) = z_1^k(\omega)(\tilde{l}_{1,t}^k)^{\gamma_l}(M_{1,t}^k)^{\gamma_m}(B_1^k)^{\gamma_b}$$

- ▶ $\tilde{l}_{1,t}^k$: aggregate efficiency units of labor (CES aggregate of tasks)
- ▶ $M_{1,t}^k$: composite intermediate goods
- ▶ B_1^k : fixed factor

- Production in all other countries ($n \neq 1$)

$$Q_{n,t}^k(\omega) = z_n^k(\omega)(\bar{L}_{n,t}^k)^{\bar{\gamma}_{n,l}}(M_{n,t}^k)^{1-\bar{\gamma}_{n,l}}$$

- Fréchet distribution for productivity with the scale parameter T_n^k and the shape parameter θ

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Labor Mobility Model: Details

- Cell-specific **expected present discounted utility** at the beginning of t

$$V_t^{s,K_j} = w_t^{K_j} + E_\varepsilon \max_{j'} \left\{ \beta E_t V_{t+1}^{K_{j'}} - (C_t(K_j, K_{j'}) + \delta_t) \mathbf{1}(j \neq j') + \varepsilon_t^{j',h} \right\}$$

- The equilibrium probability of type s workers moving from k to l

$$m_t^{kl} = \frac{\mathbf{1}_{l=k} \lambda_{0,t}^k + \mathbf{1}_{l \neq k \wedge l \neq 1} \lambda_{1,t}^l \exp\left(-\frac{C_t(k,l)}{\nu}\right) + \mathbf{1}_{l=1} \lambda_{l,t}^k}{\lambda_{0,t}^k + \lambda_{1,t}^k + \lambda_{2,t}^k + \lambda_{l,t}^k},$$

$$\lambda_{0,t}^k \equiv \exp\left(\frac{\beta}{\nu} E_t V_{t+1}^k\right)$$

$$\lambda_{1,t}^k \equiv N_t^k \exp\left(\frac{E_t \beta V_{t+1}^k - \delta_t}{\nu}\right)$$

$$\lambda_{2,t}^k \equiv \sum_{l' \neq k} N_t^{l'} \exp\left(\frac{\beta E_t V_{t+1}^{l'} - \delta_t - C_t(k, l')}{\nu}\right)$$

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Equilibrium Trade Flows

- Equilibrium trade flows

$$\lambda_{(1,r),(1,r'),t}^s = \frac{T_{1,t}^{(r,s)} (c_{1,t}^{(r,s)})^{-\theta}}{\sum_{r''} T_{1,t}^{(r'',s)} (c_{1,t}^{(r'',s)})^{-\theta} + \sum_{n' \neq 1} T_{n',t}^s (c_{n',t} d_{n'1,t}^s)^{-\theta}} = \frac{X_{(1,r),(1,r'),t}^s}{X_{(1,r'),t}^s}$$

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Exact Price Indices and Expenditure

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$$P_{1,t}^s = \bar{\Gamma} \left[\sum_{r''} T_{1,t}^{(r'',s)} (c_{1,t}^{(r'',s)})^{-\theta} + \sum_{n' \neq 1} T_{n',t}^s (c_{n',t} d_{n'1,t}^s)^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

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where $\bar{\Gamma} \equiv [\Gamma(\frac{\theta+1-\sigma}{\theta})]^{1/(1-\sigma)}$

- Aggregate price index

$$P_{n,t} = \prod_s \left(\frac{P_{n,t}^s}{\phi^s} \right)^{\phi^s}$$

Expenditures

- For country 1,

$$\begin{aligned} X_{(1,r),t}^s &= \phi^s \gamma_m \sum_{s'} \left(\sum_{r'} \lambda_{(1,r),(1,r'),t}^{s'} X_{(1,r'),t}^{s'} + \sum_{n' \neq 1} \lambda_{(1,r),n',t}^{s'} X_{n',t}^{s'} \right) \\ &\quad + \phi^s \left(\sum_{k \in \{k | R_k = r\}} (\tilde{w}_{1,t}^k L_{1,t}^k + D_{1,t}^k) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- For country $n' \neq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n,t}^s &= \phi^s (1 - \bar{\gamma}_l) \sum_{s'} \left(\sum_{r'} \lambda_{n,(1,r'),t}^{s'} X_{(1,r'),t}^{s'} + \sum_{n' \neq 1} \lambda_{n,n',t}^{s'} X_{n',t}^{s'} \right) \\ &\quad + \phi^s (\tilde{w}_{n,t} \bar{L}_{n,t} + D_{n,t}) \end{aligned}$$

Estimation of Moving Probabilities

- A simple bin-estimator for a moving probability works only with a large sample size and a small number of choices
 - ▶ Not feasible for \tilde{m}_t^{kl} in our case

- We estimate $\log \tilde{m}_t^{kl}$ by imposing a structure on the moving cost

$$\tilde{C}_t(j, k) = \tilde{c}_{1,t} D^{jk} + \tilde{c}_{2,t} \mathbf{1}_{l_j \neq l_k} + \tilde{c}_{3,t} \mathbf{1}_{l_j \neq l_k \& R_j \neq R_k},$$

- ▶ D^{jk} : the log of distance between labor markets j and k
 - ▶ $D^{jj} = 0$ for every j and $D^{jk} = 0$ if $R_j = R_k$
- Derive a gravity-like estimating equation from the model

$$\log \tilde{m}_t^{kl} = \tilde{V}_t^l - \tilde{C}_t(k, l) + \tilde{\Gamma}_t^k - \log \tilde{L}_t^k$$

and estimate it using PPML [Back](#)

Estimation of Moving Probabilities

- First, re-write

$$\log \tilde{m}_t^{kl} = \tilde{V}_t^l - \tilde{C}_t(k, l) + \tilde{\Gamma}_t^k - \log \tilde{L}_t^k,$$

where

$$\tilde{V}_t^l = E_t \frac{\beta}{\nu} V_{t+1}^l - \log \mu_{0,t}^l + \log \mu_{1,t}^l$$

$$\tilde{C}_t(k, l) = \frac{C_t(k, l)}{\nu}$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_t^k = -\log \sum_{l'} \exp \left(\tilde{V}_t^{l'} - \tilde{C}_t(k, l') \right) + \log \tilde{L}_t^k$$

- ▶ \tilde{L}_t^k : the number of job switchers who were in k at the beginning of t
- ▶ Define $\tilde{y}_t^{kl} \equiv \tilde{m}_t^{kl} \tilde{L}_t^k$

- Maximum likelihood based on the log-likelihood function

$$\log \mathcal{L} = \sum_k \sum_l \tilde{y}_t^{kl} \left[\tilde{\Gamma}_t^k + \tilde{V}_t^l - \tilde{C}_t(k, l) - \log(\tilde{L}_t^k) \right]$$

- Result: mobility friction is much larger *across regions* than across sectors

Estimated Moving Costs

Year	$\tilde{c}_{1,t}$	s.e.	$\tilde{c}_{2,t}$	s.e.	$\tilde{c}_{3,t}$	s.e.
2003	1.0775	(0.0008)	1.9983	(0.0048)	-0.2839	(0.0097)
2004	1.0602	(0.0008)	1.9275	(0.0049)	-0.2786	(0.0098)
2005	1.0473	(0.0008)	1.6034	(0.0047)	0.0507	(0.0099)
2006	1.0447	(0.0007)	1.8967	(0.0048)	-0.2808	(0.0093)
2007	1.0667	(0.0007)	2.0184	(0.0048)	-0.4659	(0.0091)
2008	1.0478	(0.0007)	1.9298	(0.0045)	-0.3153	(0.0086)
2009	1.0448	(0.0006)	1.7939	(0.0041)	-0.2755	(0.0079)
2010	1.0355	(0.0006)	1.8190	(0.0042)	-0.2546	(0.0080)
2011	1.0250	(0.0007)	1.8127	(0.0050)	-0.2146	(0.0094)
2012	1.0221	(0.0007)	1.8331	(0.0053)	-0.2194	(0.0098)
2013	1.0290	(0.0006)	1.8491	(0.0044)	-0.2546	(0.0083)
2014	1.0399	(0.0006)	1.9684	(0.0044)	-0.2752	(0.0083)
Average	1.0451		1.8709		-0.2556	

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Estimation of the Labor Supply Elasticity

- We estimate ν by using the same IV for equations derived from the model

$$\Delta y_t^k = \alpha + \frac{\beta}{\nu} \Delta Z_t^k + \lambda_t + \epsilon_t^k,$$

$$Z_t^k = w_t^k$$

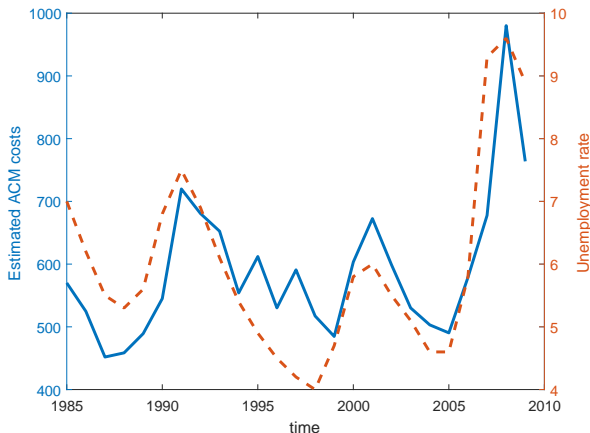
$$y_t^k = \tilde{V}_t^k + (\log \mu_{0,t}^k - \log \mu_{1,t}^k) - \beta \left[\tilde{V}_{t+1}^k + \log \mu_{1,t+1}^k \right]$$

- With $\beta = 0.95$, our estimate is $\nu = 0.484$

I. First stage		II. Second stage	
$\Delta(\text{import demand})$	0.412	ΔZ_t^k	1.962
	(0.028)		(0.757)
F-stat	138.480		

Moving Costs

- Estimated moving costs based on a model without the job opportunity channel (e.g., ACM/CDP) using the U.S. data vs. U.S. unemployment rate



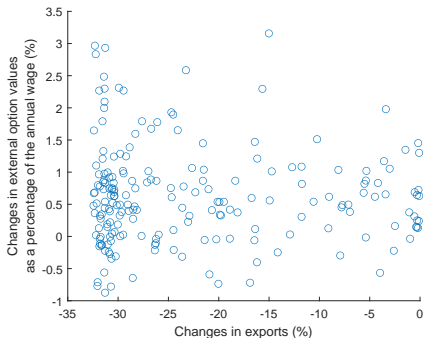
Solution Algorithm

- 1 Calibrate the model to the base year and the steady state moving probabilities
- 2 Guess changes in nominal factor prices $(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{-1}, \hat{\mathbf{b}})$
- 3 Solve for changes in goods prices $\hat{\mathbf{P}}$ and the number of jobs $\hat{\mathbf{N}}$
- 4 Solve for labor allocation \mathbf{L} and value changes $\hat{\mathbf{V}}$ conditional on price changes
- 5 Conditional on \mathbf{L} , calculate excess demand for each factor
- 6 Update the guess for factor prices accordingly and repeat 3-5 until the excess demand for each factor becomes sufficiently close to zero

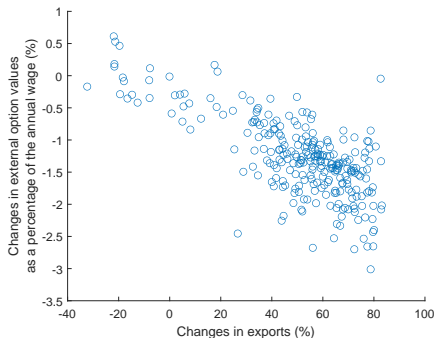
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Changes in External Option Values vs. Export Changes

- External option values decrease with an increase of exports



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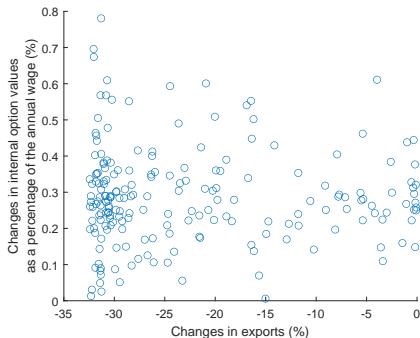


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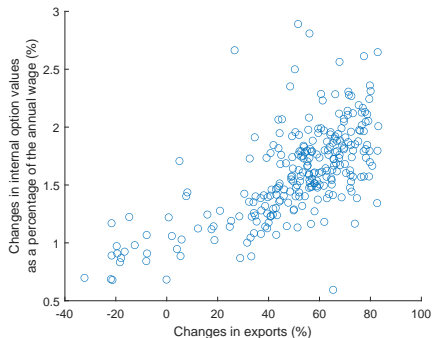
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Changes in Internal Option Values vs. Export Changes

- Internal option values increase with an increase of exports



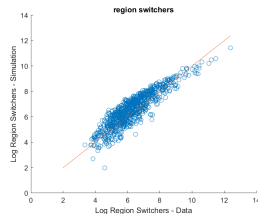
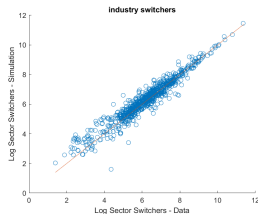
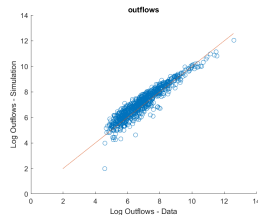
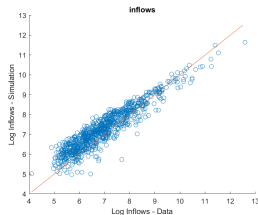
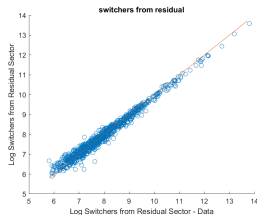
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Model Fit: Mobility



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