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Abstract

The cross-country growth literature commonly uses aggregate economy datasets such as the Penn World Table (PWT) to estimate homogeneous production function or convergence regression models. Against the background of a dual economy framework this paper investigates the potential bias arising when aggregate economy data instead of sectoral data is adopted in macro production function regressions. Using a unique World Bank dataset we estimate production functions in agriculture and manufacturing for a panel of 41 developing and developed countries (1963-1992). We employ novel empirical methods which can accommodate technology heterogeneity, variable nonstationarity and the breakdown of the standard cross-section independence assumption. We focus on technology heterogeneity across sectors and countries and the potential for biased estimates due to aggregation and empirical misspecification, relying on both theory and empirical evidence. Using data for a stylised aggregate economy made up of agricultural and manufacturing sectors we confirm substantial bias in the technology coefficients and thus any total factor productivity measures computed. Our empirical findings imply that sectoral structure is of crucial importance in the analysis of growth and development, thus strengthening the recent revival of research on structural change in development economics.

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1 Introduction

In the early literature on developing countries a distinction was made between the processes of economic development and of economic growth. Economic development was seen to be a process of structural transformation by which in Arthur Lewis' frequently cited phrase an economy which was "previously saving and investing 4 or 5 percent of its national income or less, converts itself into an economy where voluntary savings is running at about 12 to 15 percent of national income" (Lewis, 1954, p.155). An acceleration in the investment rate was only one part of this process of structural transformation; of equal importance was the process by which an economy moved from a dependence on subsistence agriculture to one where an industrial modern sector absorbed an increasing proportion of the labour force (e.g. Jorgensen, 1961; Ranis & Fei, 1961; Robinson, 1971). In contrast to these models of "development for backward economies" (Jorgensen, 1961, p.309), where duality between the modern and traditional sectors was a key feature of the model, was the analysis of economic growth in developed economies.¹ Here the processes of factor accumulation and technical progress occur in an economy which is already 'developed', in the sense that it has a modern industrial sector and agriculture has ceased to be a major part of the economy (e.g. Solow, 1956; Swan, 1956).

The literature begun in the early 1990s has yielded a large array of models in which there has been increasing interaction between the theory and the empirics (Durlauf & Quah, 1999; Easterly, 2002; Durlauf, Johnson, & Temple, 2005). The latter continue to be dominated by an empirical version of the aggregate Solow-Swan model (Temple, 2005) with much of the empirical debate focusing on the roles of factor accumulation versus technical progress (Young, 1995; Klenow & Rodriguez-Clare, 1997a, 1997b; Easterly & Levine, 2001; Baier, Dwyer, & Tamura, 2006). While there is some new theoretical and empirical work using a dual economy model (e.g. Vollrath, 2009a, 2009b; Lin, 2011; McMillan & Rodrik, 2011; Page, 2011), this is largely absent from textbooks on economic growth and has not been the central focus of attention for most of the empirical analyses (Temple, 2005). A primary reason for the focus has been the availability of data. The Penn World Table (PWT) dataset (most recently, Heston, Summers, & Aten, 2011) and the Barro-Lee data on human capital (most recently, Barro & Lee, 2010) have supplied macro-data which ensure that the aggregate human capital-augmented Solow-Swan model can be readily estimated. However, somewhat underappreciated by the applied empirical literature, a team at the World Bank has developed comparable sectoral data for agriculture and manufacturing (Crego, Larson, Butzer, & Mundlak, 1998) that enables a closer matching between a dual economy framework and the data, which we seek to exploit in this paper.

Cross-country growth regressions represent one of the most active fields of empirical analysis within applied development economics, however the viability of this empirical approach has been seriously questioned over the past decade and at present these methods are deeply unfashionable. We have argued elsewhere that much can be learned from cross-country empirics provided the empirical setup allows for greater flexibility in the estimation equation and recognises the salient data properties of macro panel datasets (Eberhardt & Teal, 2011). Methods developed in the emerging panel time series literature (Coakley, Fuertes, & Smith, 2006; Pesaran, 2006; Bai, 2009) can go further in providing robust estimation and inference for nonstationary panel data where variable series may be correlated across countries and

¹We refer to 'dual economy models' as representing economies with two stylised sectors of production (agriculture and manufacturing). 'Technology' and 'technology parameters' refer to the coefficients on capital and labour in the production function model (elasticities with respect to capital and labour), *not* Total Factor Productivity (TFP) or its growth rate (technical/technological progress).

where global shocks such as the recent financial crisis are likely to impact all countries in the sample, albeit to a different extent.

This paper, providing empirical analysis of panel data for developing and developed economies, sets out to address two main objectives: (i) rather than using a calibrated dual economy model for quantitative analysis we provide empirical estimates for technology coefficients in sectoral production functions. Our main concern here is the assumption of common technology parameters across countries, which is questionable from an economic theory standpoint and can be investigated in the data. (ii) We estimate a ‘stylised’ aggregate production function model from agriculture and manufacturing data, and compare results with those from disaggregated regressions. This will allow us to judge whether neglecting a dual economy structure leads to bias in the empirical technology coefficients. We use ‘true’ aggregate data from PWT to indicate whether this behaves in a similar fashion to our aggregated data.

Our findings indicate that allowing sectors and countries to have different technology from each other is important to obtain unbiased parameter estimates and by implication reliable TFP estimates. Our aggregation analysis shows that there is a systematic bias in the capital coefficient when aggregate rather than sector-level data are used. It is thus crucial to take account of the sectoral structure of an economy even when the research question investigated does not explicitly relate to this. Our empirical analysis was enabled by the unique World Bank dataset on agriculture and manufacturing, it is however important to stress from the outset that we do not call for a replacement of aggregate economy studies with parallel sectoral investigation. For alternative research questions the use of data from *one or the other sector* in addition to aggregate economy data may be sufficient. There are at least two existing data sources, namely the FAO for data on agriculture and UNIDO for data on manufacturing, which are ideally suited to carry out this type of analysis that can account for sectoral structure, for a large number of countries and over a substantial time period. A recent example in this vein is the work on aid, Dutch Disease and manufacturing exports by Rajan and Subramanian (2010).

The remainder of the paper is organised as follows: Section 2 motivates technology heterogeneity across sectors and countries. In Section 3 we introduce an empirical specification of our dual economy framework, discuss the data and briefly review the empirical methods and estimators employed. Section 4 reports and discusses empirical findings at the sector-level. Section 5 then reviews the existing literature on potential bias in aggregate economy data and presents empirical findings from stylised and PWT aggregate data. Section 6 summarizes and concludes.

2 Technology heterogeneity

2.1 Technology Heterogeneity across Sectors

From a technical point of view, an aggregate production function only offers an appropriate construct in cross-country analysis if the economies investigated do not display large differences in sectoral structure (Temple, 2005), since a single production function framework assumes common production technology across all ‘firms’ facing the same factor prices. Take two distinct sectors within this economy, assuming marginal labour product equalisation and capital homogeneity across sectors, and Cobb-Douglas-type production technology. Then if technology parameters differ between sectors, aggregated production technology cannot be of the (standard) Cobb-Douglas form (Stoker, 1993; Temple & Wölßmann, 2006). Finding

differential technology parameters in sectoral production function estimation thus is potentially a serious challenge to treating production in form of an aggregated function.

An alternative motivation for a focus on sector-level rather than aggregate growth across countries runs as follows: it is common practice to exclude oil-producing countries from any aggregate growth analysis, since “the bulk of recorded GDP for these countries represents the extraction of existing resources, not value added” (Mankiw, Romer, & Weil, 1992, p.413). The underlying argument is that sectoral ‘distortions’, such as resource wealth, justify the exclusion of the country observations. By extension of the same argument, we could suggest that given the large share of agriculture in GDP for countries such as Malawi (25-50%), India (25-46%) or Malaysia (8-30%) over the period 1970-2000, these countries should be excluded from any *aggregate* growth analysis since a significant share of their *aggregate* GDP derives from a single resource, namely land.² Sector-level analysis, in contrast, does not face these difficulties, since sectors such as manufacturing or agriculture are defined closely enough to represent a reasonably homogeneous conceptual construct.

2.2 Technology Heterogeneity across Countries

A theoretical justification for heterogeneous technology parameters *across countries* can be found in the ‘new growth’ literature. This strand of the theoretical growth literature argues that production functions differ across countries and seeks to determine the sources of this heterogeneity (Durlauf, Kourtellos, & Minkin, 2001). As Brock and Durlauf (2001, p.8/9) put it: “. . . the assumption of parameter homogeneity seems particularly inappropriate when one is studying complex heterogeneous objects such as countries”. The model by Azariadis and Drazen (1990) can be seen as the ‘grandfather’ for many of the theoretical attempts to allow for countries to possess different technologies from each other (and/or at different points in time). Further theoretical papers lead to multiple equilibria interpretable as factor parameter heterogeneity in the production function (e.g. Murphy, Shleifer, & Vishny, 1989; Durlauf, 1993; Banerjee & Newman, 1993). Further challenge to the assumption of common technology is provided by the ‘appropriate technology’ literature, which argues that different technologies are appropriate to different factor endowments (e.g. Basu & Weil, 1998). Under this explanation, global R&D leaders develop productivity-enhancing technologies that are suitable for their own capital-labour ratios and cannot be used effectively by poorer countries and so the latter do not develop. Empirical evidence which lends some support to this hypothesis can be found, among others, in Clark (2007) and Jerzmanowski (2007). A simpler justification for heterogeneous production functions is offered by Durlauf et al. (2001, p.929): the Solow model was never intended to be valid in a homogeneous specification for *all* countries, but may still be a good way to investigate *each* country, i.e. if we allow for parameter differences *across* countries. Recent empirical evidence employing specifications that support technology heterogeneity includes Pedroni (2007) and Cavalcanti, Mohaddes, and Raissi (forthcoming).

²The quoted shares are from the World Development Indicators database (World Bank, 2008). For comparison, maximum share of oil revenue in GDP, computed as the difference between ‘industry share in GDP’ and ‘manufacturing share in GDP’ from the same database yields the following ranges for some of the countries omitted in Mankiw et al. (1992): Iran (12-51%), Kuwait (15-81%), Gabon (28-60%), Saudi Arabia (29-67%).

3 An Empirical Model of A Dual Economy

In seeking to understand processes of growth at the macro-level, empirical work has focused primarily on an aggregate production specification (Temple, 1999). While duality has featured prominently in theoretical developments there has been only a very limited matching of this theory to empirical models. This disjunction between theory and testing has reflected in large part the availability of data. In this paper we employ a large-scale cross-country dataset made publicly available by the World Bank in 2003 (Crego et al., 1998) which allows us to specify manufacturing and agricultural production functions and thus provides a macro-model of a dual economy that can be compared with the single sector models dominating the empirical literature. In the following we first present a general empirical specification for our sector-specific analysis of agriculture and manufacturing. Next we review a number of empirical estimators, focusing on those arising from the recent panel time series literature, before we briefly discuss the data.

3.1 Empirical Specification

Our empirical framework adopts a ‘common factor’ representation for a standard log-linearised Cobb-Douglas production function model. Each sector/level of aggregation (agriculture, manufacturing, aggregate(d) data) is modelled separately — for ease of notation we do not identify this multiplicity in our general model. Let

$$y_{it} = \beta'_i x_{it} + u_{it} \quad u_{it} = \alpha_i + \lambda'_i f_t + \varepsilon_{it} \quad (1)$$

$$x_{mit} = \pi_{mi} + \delta'_{mi} g_{mt} + \rho_{1mi} f_{1mt} + \dots + \rho_{nmi} f_{nmt} + v_{mit} \quad (2)$$

$$f_t = \varrho' f_{t-1} + \omega_t \quad \text{and} \quad g_t = \kappa' g_{t-1} + \epsilon_t \quad (3)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, N$ countries, $t = 1, \dots, T$ time periods and $m = 1, \dots, k$ inputs.³ Equation (1) represents the production function model, with y as sectoral or aggregated value-added and x as a set of inputs: labour, physical capital stock, and a measure for natural capital stock (arable and permanent crop land) in the agriculture specification (all variables are in logs). We consider additional inputs (human capital, livestock, fertilizer) as robustness checks for our general findings (results available on request). The output elasticities associated with each input (β_i) are allowed to differ across countries.

For unobserved TFP we employ the combination of a country-specific TFP level (α_i) and a set of common factors (f_t) with country-specific factor loadings λ_i — TFP is thus in the spirit of a ‘measure of our ignorance’ (Abramowitz, 1956), driven by some ‘latent’ processes that are either difficult to measure or truly unobservable. Equation (3) provides some structure for these unobserved common processes, which are modelled as simple AR(1) processes, where we do not exclude the possibility of unit root processes ($\varrho = 1, \kappa = 1$) leading to nonstationary observables and unobservables. Note that from this the potential for spurious regression results arises if the empirical equation is misspecified.

Equation (2) details the evolution of the set of inputs; crucially, some of the same processes determining the evolution of inputs are also assumed to be driving TFP in the production function equation. Economically, this implies that the processes that make up TFP (e.g. knowledge, innovation or absorptive capacity) are affecting choices over inputs, i.e. the accumulation of capital stock, the evolution of the

³Further, $f_{-mt} \subset f_t$ and the error terms $\varepsilon_{it}, v_{mit}, \omega_t$ and ϵ_t are white noise.

labour force and (in the agriculture equation) the area of land under cultivation, while at the same time affecting the production of output directly. Simply put, technical progress (often taken as a synonym for TFP) affects both production and the choice of productive inputs. Econometrically, this setup leads to endogeneity whereby the regressors are correlated with the unobservables, making it difficult to identify β_i separately from λ_i and ρ_i (Kapetanios, Pesaran, & Yamagata, 2011).⁴ A conceptual justification for the pervasive character of unobserved common factors is provided by the nature of macro-economic variables in a globalised world, where economies are strongly connected to each other and latent forces drive all of the outcomes. The presence of such latent factors makes it difficult to argue for the validity of traditional approaches to causal interpretation of cross-country empirical analyses. Instrumental variable estimation in cross-section growth regressions or Arellano and Bond (1991)-type lag-instrumentation in pooled panel models are both invalid in the face of common factors and/or heterogeneous equilibrium relationships (Pesaran & Smith, 1995; Lee, Pesaran, & Smith, 1997). Although we consider these types of estimators in our study, our focus is on the recent panel time series estimators which address nonstationarity, parameter heterogeneity and cross-section dependence. The following section introduces these methods in some more detail.

3.2 Empirical Implementation

Our empirical setup incorporates a large degree of flexibility with regard to the impact of observable and unobservable inputs on output. Empirical implementation will necessarily lead to different degrees of restrictions on this flexibility, which will then be formally tested: the emphasis is on comparison of different empirical estimators allowing for or restricting the heterogeneity in observables and unobservables outlined above. The following 2×2 matrix indicates the assumptions implicit in the various estimators implemented below.⁵ We confine results for the estimators marked with stars to the Technical Appendix to save space.

<i>Impact of Unobservables:</i>		
	COMMON	IDIOSYNCRATIC
<i>Production Technology:</i>	COMMON	POLLS, 2FE, GMM*, PMG*
		CCEP CPMG*
	IDIOSYNCRATIC	MG, FDMG
		CMG

The panel time series econometric approach is given particular attention in this study for a number of reasons (for a detailed discussion see Eberhardt & Teal, 2011). *Firstly*, we know that many macro variables are potentially nonstationary (e.g. Nelson & Plosser, 1982; Granger, 1997; Pedroni, 2007), which is confirmed for the variables in our data in the Technical Appendix. When variables are nonstationary, standard regression output has to be treated with extreme caution, since results are potentially spurious. Provided variables are cointegrated we can nevertheless establish long-run equilibrium relationships in the

⁴This is the same concern that micro econometricians refer to as ‘transmission bias’ in the analysis of firm-level productivity. See Eberhardt and Helmers (2010) for a detailed review of the micro literature.

⁵Abbreviations: POLS — Pooled OLS, 2FE — 2-way Fixed Effects, GMM — Arellano and Bond (1991) Difference GMM and Blundell and Bond (1998) System GMM, MG — Pesaran and Smith (1995) Mean Group (with linear country trends), FDMG — dto. with variables in first difference and country drifts, PMG — Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999) Pooled Mean Group estimator, CPMG — dto. augmented with cross-section averages following Binder and Offermanns (2007), CCEP/CMG — Pesaran (2006) Common Correlated Effects estimators. Note that our POLS model is augmented with $T - 1$ year dummies.

data. The practical indication of cointegration is when regressions yield stationary residuals, whereas non-stationary residuals indicate a potentially spurious regression. Panel time series estimators can address the concern over spurious regression and we investigate the residuals of each empirical model using panel unit root tests. *Secondly*, panel time series methods allow for parameter heterogeneity across countries, which as motivated above is of great interest in our analysis. *Thirdly*, panel time series methods can address the problems arising from cross-section correlation. Whether this is the result of common economic shocks or local spillover effects, cross-section correlation can potentially induce serious bias in the estimates, since the impact assigned to an observed covariate in reality confounds its impact with that of the unobservable processes. A recent empirical illustration for this is provided in Eberhardt, Helmers, and Strauss (forthcoming), showing that conventional approaches to measuring the impact of R&D on industry productivity actually yield the combined effect of R&D and ‘knowledge spillovers’ between industries. Although the panel time series approach does not allow us to quantify their impact, common shocks and local spillovers can be accommodated in the empirical analysis to obtain unbiased technology coefficients for the observable inputs. We will employ diagnostic tests to analyse each model’s residuals for the presence/absence of cross-section dependence.

In the following we introduce the Common Correlated Effects (CCE) estimators developed in Pesaran (2006) and extended to nonstationary variables in Kapetanios et al. (2011) since there are at present relatively few applied studies which employ them (examples include Cavalcanti et al., forthcoming; Eberhardt et al., forthcoming; Holly, Pesaran, & Yamagata, 2010; Moscone & Tosetti, 2010).⁶ The CCE estimators augment the regression equation with cross-section averages of the dependent (\bar{y}_t) and independent variables (\bar{x}_t) to account for the presence of unobserved common factors with heterogeneous impact. For the Mean Group version (CMG), the individual country regression is specified as

$$y_{it} = a_i + \mathbf{b}'_i \mathbf{x}_{it} + c_{0i} \bar{y}_t + \sum_{m=1}^k c_{mi} \bar{x}_{mt} + e_{it} \quad (4)$$

whereupon the parameter estimates $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_i$ are averaged across countries akin to the Pesaran and Smith (1995) Mean Group estimator. The pooled version (CCEP) is specified as

$$y_{it} = a_i + \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{x}_{it} + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{0i} (\bar{y}_t D_j) + \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^N c_{mi} (\bar{x}_{mt} D_j) + e_{it} \quad (5)$$

where the D_j represent country dummies.⁷

In order to get an insight into the workings of this approach, consider the cross-section average of our model in equation (1): as the cross-section dimension N increases, given $\bar{e}_t = 0$, we get

$$\bar{y}_t = \bar{a} + \bar{\beta}' \bar{x}_t + \bar{\lambda}' \mathbf{f}_t \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{f}_t = \bar{\lambda}^{-1} (\bar{y}_t - \bar{a} - \bar{\beta}' \bar{x}_t) \quad (6)$$

This simple derivation indicates a powerful insight: working with cross-sectional means of y and x can account for the impact of unobserved common factors (TFP) in the production process. Given the assumed

⁶We abstract from discussing the standard panel estimators here in great detail and refer to the overview articles by Coakley et al. (2006), Bond and Eberhardt (2009) and Bond (2002) for more information. We also investigate the Pooled Mean Group (PMG) estimator by Pesaran et al. (1999). We further implement a simple extension to the PMG where we include cross-section averages of the dependent and independent variables (CPMG), as suggested in Binder and Offermanns (2007).

⁷Thus in the MG version we have N individual country regressions with $2k + 2$ RHS variables and in the pooled version a single regression equation with $k + (k + 2)N$ RHS variables.

heterogeneity in the impact of unobserved factors across countries (λ_i) the estimator is implemented in the fashion detailed above, which allows for each country i to have different parameter estimates on \bar{y}_t and the \bar{x}_t . Simulation studies (Pesaran, 2006; Coakley et al., 2006; Kapetanios et al., 2011; Pesaran & Tosetti, 2011) have shown that this approach performs well even when the cross-section dimension N is small, when variables are nonstationary, cointegrated or not, subject to structural breaks and/or in the presence of local spillovers and global/local business cycles. In the present study we implement two versions of the CCE estimators in the sector-level regressions: a standard form as described above; and a variant which includes the cross-section averages of the input and output variables in the own *as well as* the other sector. The latter specification allows for cross-section dependence *across* sectors, albeit at the cost of a reduction in degrees of freedom. It is conceivable that the evolution of the agricultural sector of developing countries influences that of the wider economy in general and the manufacturing sector in particular, such that this extension is sensible in the dual economy context.

This completes our discussion of the empirical implementation within each sector/level of aggregation. It is important to emphasise that our empirical results do not represent some form of (econometric) methodology-based data mining: we have clearly set out that each of the estimators employed implies specific assumptions about the empirical equation, which translate one-to-one into economic theory. Heterogeneity in the impact of observables and unobservables across countries can be directly interpreted as differences in the production technology and common/differential TFP evolution across countries. The above discussion suggests that from an economic theory standpoint there are reasons to prefer a more flexible approach, however we do not impose this on the data. Instead we use established econometric diagnostics (tests for residual stationarity and cross-section independence) to identify the models that are rejected and those that are supported by the data.

3.3 Data

Descriptive statistics and a more detailed discussion of the data can be found in the Appendix. We conduct all empirical analysis with four datasets:

- (1) for the agricultural sector, building on the sectoral investment series developed by Crego et al. (1998) and output from the World Development Indicators (WDI; World Bank, 2008), as well as sectoral labour and land data from FAO (2007);
- (2) for the manufacturing sector, building on the sectoral investment series developed by Crego et al. (1998), output data from the WDI and labour data from UNIDO (2004);
- (3) for a stylised aggregate economy made up of the aggregated data for the agriculture and manufacturing sectors;⁸
- (4) for the aggregate economy, building on data provided by the Penn World Table (PWT; we use version 6.2, Heston, Summers, & Aten, 2006).

The capital stocks in the agriculture, manufacturing and PWT samples are constructed from investment series following the perpetual inventory method (see Klenow & Rodriguez-Clare, 1997b, for details), for the aggregated sample we simply added up the sectoral capital stocks. Comparison across sectors and with the stylised aggregate sector is possible due to the efforts by Crego et al. (1998) in providing sectoral investment data for agriculture and manufacturing. All monetary values in the sectoral and stylised aggregated datasets are transformed into US\$ 1990 values (in the capital stock case this transformation

⁸We sum the values for value-added, capital stock (both in per worker terms) and labour and then take the logarithms.

is applied to the investment data), following the suggestions in Martin and Mitra (2002). Given concerns that the stylised aggregate economy data may not represent a sound representation of true aggregate economy data we have adopted the PWT data, which measures monetary values in International \$ PPP as a benchmark for comparison — despite a number of vocal critics (e.g. Johnson, Larson, Papageorgiou, & Subramanian, 2009) the latter is without doubt the most popular macro dataset for cross-country empirical analysis.⁹

Our sample is an unbalanced panel¹⁰ for 1963 to 1992 made up of 41 developing and developed countries with a total of 928 observations (average $T = 22.6$) — our desired aim to compare estimates across the four datasets requires us to match the same sample, thus reducing the number of observations to the smallest common denominator. Only eight countries in our sample are in Africa, while around half are present-day ‘industrialised economies’ — these numbers are however deceiving if one recalls that structural change and development in many of the latter has been primarily achieved during our period of study. For instance, it bears reminding that prior to 1964, GDP per capita was higher in Ghana than in South Korea. In 1970 the share of agricultural value-added in GDP for Finland, Ireland, Portugal and South Korea amounted to 13%, 16%, 31% and 26% respectively, while the 1992 figures are 5%, 8%, 7% and 8% — strong evidence of economies undergoing structural change. A detailed description of our sample is available in Table A-I, descriptive statistics are provided in Table A-II for each sample.

4 Empirical Results

Panel unit root and cross-section dependence tests have been confined to the Technical Appendix of the paper. We adopt the Pesaran (2007) CIPS panel unit root test to analyse the time series properties of each variable series. Results (see Table TA-1) strongly suggest that variables in levels for the agriculture and manufacturing data as well as the two aggregate economy representations are nonstationary.

A number of formal and informal procedures to investigate cross-section correlation in the data were carried out. Results (see Table TA-2) indicate high average absolute correlation coefficients for the data in log levels and even in the data represented as growth rates. Formal tests for cross-section dependence (Pesaran, 2004; Moscone & Tosetti, 2009) reject cross-section independence in virtually all variable series tested.

In the following we discuss the empirical results from sectoral production function regressions for agriculture and manufacturing respectively, first assuming technology parameter homogeneity (Section 4.1) and then allowing for differential technology across countries (Section 4.2). For all regression models we report residual diagnostic tests including the Pesaran (2007) panel unit root test (we summarise results using $I(0)$ for stationary, $I(1)$ for nonstationary residuals, with $I(1)/I(0)$ indicating ambiguous results) and the Pesaran (2004) CD test (H_0 : cross-section independence), which we take to build our judgement for a preferred empirical model.

⁹We are of course aware that the difference in deflation between our sectoral and stylised aggregated data on the one hand and PWT on the other makes them conceptually very different measures of growth and development: the former emphasise tradable goods production whereas the latter puts equal emphasis on tradable and non-tradable goods and services. However, we believe that these differences are comparatively unimportant for estimation and inference in comparison to the distortions introduced by neglecting the sectoral makeup and technology heterogeneity of economies at different stages of economic development.

¹⁰We do not account for missing observations in any way. The preferred empirical specifications presented below are based on heterogeneous parameter models, where arguably the unbalancedness (25% of observations in the balanced panel are missing) comes less to bear than in the homogeneous models due to the averaging of estimates.

Note that the empirical model implemented expresses all variables in per worker terms (in logs). The inclusion of the log labour variable then indicates/tests the deviation from constant returns to scale (i.e. $\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K (+\hat{\beta}_N) - 1$): a positive (negative) significant coefficient on log labour points to increasing (decreasing) returns, an insignificant one to constant returns. The coefficient on labour in the regression is *not* the output elasticity with respect to labour, which we also report in a lower panel of each table ('Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ '), along with the returns to scale ('Implied RS'). This setup allows for an easy imposition of constant returns by dropping the log labour variable from the model. In each table Panel (A) shows results with no restrictions on returns to scale, whereas Panel (B) imposes CRS.

4.1 Pooled Models

Table 1 presents the empirical results for agriculture and manufacturing. Beginning with *agriculture*, the empirical estimates for the models [1] and [2] neglecting cross-section dependence are quite similar, with the capital coefficient around .63 and statistically significant decreasing returns to scale. The land coefficient is insignificant except in the 2FE model, where it carries a negative sign. Diagnostic tests indicate that the residuals in these models are cross-sectionally dependent, and that the levels models (POLS, 2FE) have nonstationary residuals and thus may represent spurious regressions. In the presence of nonstationary residuals the t -statistics in the levels models are invalid (Kao, 1999) and have commonly been found to vastly overstate the precision of the estimates (Bond & Eberhardt, 2009). The two CCEP models yield stationary and cross-sectionally independent residuals, capital coefficients of around .5 and insignificant land coefficients. Imposition of CRS (Panel (B)) does not change these results substantially, with the exception of the 2FE estimates, where the land variable (previously negative and significant) is now insignificant and the capital coefficient has become further inflated. Land is still insignificant, but at least in model [3] has a plausible coefficient estimate.

In the *manufacturing* data the models [5] and [6] ignoring cross-section dependence yield increasing returns to scale and capital coefficients in excess of .85. Residuals again display nonstationarity but the CD tests now imply that they are cross-sectionally independent. Surprisingly the standard CCEP model in [7], with a capital coefficient of around .5 (like in agriculture) does not pass the cross-section correlation test. However, further accounting for cross-sector dependence in [8] yields favourable diagnostics and a similar capital coefficient. Following imposition of CRS all models reject cross-section independence, while parameter estimates are more or less identical to those in the unrestricted models. Based on these pooled regression results, the diagnostic tests (stationary and cross-section independent residuals) favour the CRS CCEP results in [3] and [4] for the agriculture data, while in the manufacturing data the unrestricted CCEP model which accounts for cross-sectoral impact [8] emerges as preferred specification. All other results must be regarded as potentially spurious or biased due to the presence of nonstationary and/or correlated residuals.¹¹

In summary, based on diagnostic testing the alternative CCEP estimator arises as the preferred estimator for both the agriculture and manufacturing samples — in the former case the imposition of CRS seems

¹¹We conduct a number of robustness checks, including further covariates in the agriculture equations (livestock per worker, fertilizer per worker) in the pooled regression framework. Results (available on request) did not change from those presented above. We also conduct robustness checks including human capital in the estimation equation of both sectors (linear and squared terms) — results are confined to the Technical Appendix. Results for agriculture follow similar patterns to those in the unaugmented models, with the human capital proxies insignificant in the preferred CCEP specification. For manufacturing the standard CCEP yields favourable diagnostics and significant human capital coefficients: returns to education follow a concave function (wrt years of schooling). Capital coefficients in the preferred models are close to .5 in both sectors.

valid, whereas in the latter case this is rejected by the data. Across preferred specifications it is notable that the mean capital coefficients are quite similar for agriculture and manufacturing, around .5. Our shift to heterogeneous technology models in the next section will allow us to judge whether these results are representative of the underlying technology: although the CCEP imposes common technology coefficients, theory and simulations (Pesaran, 2006) have shown that results nevertheless reflect the *mean* coefficient across countries; outliers may however exert undue influence on this mean and our heterogeneous parameter models therefore account for this possibility and reports outlier-robust average coefficients.¹²

4.2 Averaged Country Regressions

Table 2 presents the robust means for each regressor across N country regressions for the unrestricted (Panel (A)) and CRS models (Panel (B)) respectively. The t -statistics reported for each average estimate test whether the average parameter is statistically different from zero, following Pesaran and Smith (1995).

Beginning with the unrestricted models in Panel (A), we can see that MG and FDMG suffer from high imprecision in both agriculture and manufacturing equations. This aside, in the agriculture model MG yields decreasing returns to scale that are nonsensical in magnitude — simulations for nonstationary and cross-sectionally dependent data (Coakley et al., 2006; Bond & Eberhardt, 2009) show that MG estimates are severely affected by their failure to account for cross-section dependence and this is likely the cause for the results. Standard CMG in agriculture and manufacturing yields a similar capital coefficient of around .5, while the alternative CMG results (recall that these allow for agriculture sectors to influence manufacturing ones and vice-versa) provide somewhat lower estimates, around .3. Diagnostics are sound in case of the two CMG results in agriculture, but only for the alternative CMG estimator in manufacturing (cross-sectionally dependent residuals in model [7]). Panel (B) shows how imposition of constant returns affects the results: MG and FDMG in both sectors are generally more sensible, however the diagnostic tests indicate cross-section correlation which may indicate serious misspecification. The CMG estimates for agriculture are now very similar; land coefficients are still insignificant but positive and of a more sensible magnitude. Manufacturing results for standard CMG are virtually unchanged from the unrestricted model, but this includes the rejection of cross-sectionally independent residuals. The same caveat applies to the alternative CMG for manufacturing.

In summary, the diagnostic tests point to the CRS versions of the CMG estimators in the agricultural data and the unrestricted returns to scale version of the ‘alternative’ CMG estimator in the manufacturing data. These preferred models suggest that average technology differs across sectors, with the manufacturing capital coefficient around .3 and the agriculture one around .5.^{footnote}We further implemented alternative specifications for both sectors which include the level and squared human capital terms (average years of schooling in the adult population) as additional covariates (see Table TA-V in the Technical Appendix). In the agriculture data augmentation with human capital did not lead to statistically significant results (available on request). Manufacturing results for the MG and FDMG mirror those in the unaugmented models presented above. For the standard CMG models we find capital coefficients somewhat below those in the unaugmented models, but still within each other’s 95% confidence intervals.¹³ Average education

¹²We use robust regression to produce a robust estimate of the mean — see Hamilton (1992) for details.

¹³The ‘alternative CMG estimator’ addressing cross-sectoral correlation leads to a considerable increase in covariates, resulting in a dimensionality problem where we have very few degrees of freedom in each country regression. As a result we decided not to implement this estimator in the human capital specifications.

coefficients are significant and indicate high returns to education in manufacturing: 11% and 12% in the unrestricted and CRS model respectively.

Two brief comments on the land coefficient: our preferred estimates indicate a positive albeit statistically insignificant average coefficient. Given the relative persistence of area under cultivation the short time-series dimension of the data may be responsible for this outcome. It is important to note that any form of quality adjustment of land would require time-varying information on land quality, which is difficult to obtain at an annual rate over a long time horizon.¹⁴ Time-invariant adjustments would be accounted for by a country fixed effect.

Given the aim of our study, we do not want to focus narrowly on the best estimate what the ‘true’ sectoral technology coefficients could be, but instead want to highlight the discrepancy between the results in the present section and those we turn to when analysing aggregate economy data in the next section. Before we do so we discuss the issue of aggregation bias conceptually.

5 Aggregation bias

5.1 Aggregation Bias — Conceptual Development

Given that we use annual data in our analysis and in the interest of space we abstract from issues surrounding temporal aggregation, although we acknowledge their importance for empirical analysis (Rossana & Seater, 1992; Madsen, 2005). Much of the *theoretical literature* on ‘cross-sectional’ aggregation considers issues across a moderate to large number of ‘individuals’ or ‘families’, as is conceptually appropriate when investigating the micro-foundations of single aggregate/macro variables and the implications for forecasting arising in this process (Granger, 1987; Biørn, Skjerpen, & Wangen, 2006). In the *applied literature*, however, these concerns about aggregation bias and the ‘correct’ empirical specification for aggregate data are largely ignored (van Garderen, Lee, & Pesaran, 2000; Blundell & Stoker, 2005).

Perhaps most relevant for the present analysis of sectoral heterogeneity versus aggregation in a large number of economies are the studies by van Garderen et al. (2000) and Hsiao, Shen, and Fujiki (2005). The former derive expressions for the ‘optimal aggregate specification’ which in the case of log-linear equations for the underlying micro units (e.g. sector-level production functions) and parameter heterogeneity *across* these units include both the aggregated variables and their cross-product terms (all in logs). They illustrate their findings by estimating sectoral production functions for 8 UK industries (1954-1995) and providing estimates for various model specifications using the aggregated data, including the ‘analogue form’ which simply uses the aggregated variables in the same empirical specification. Three of their findings are particularly noteworthy: firstly, the results for the aggregated data differ considerably depending on the inclusion of productivity dummies (indicating shocks such as the oil crisis, strikes and severe weather) and/or the cross-product terms: labour coefficients range from .16 to .67. Secondly, the estimates from the aggregated models seem out of line with the sector-based ones, regardless of the inclusion or exclusion of the cross-product terms and productivity dummies. Thirdly, the cross-product terms included in two of their aggregate models, although having considerable impact on the technology parameter estimates, turn out statistically insignificant. An implication of these results is that the empirical findings are not in line

¹⁴It can be argued that the CCE approach accounts for the induced bias for systematic distortion of the land variable: in Eberhardt et al. (forthcoming) we suggest that similar ‘mismeasurement’ of R&D investments leading to ‘expensing’ and ‘double-counting’ bias can be addressed in a common factor approach to the Griliches knowledge production function.

with the theoretical predictions, and our conclusion from this is that assumptions made in van Garderen et al. (2000) may not translate well into empirical practice.

Hsiao et al. (2005, p.579) note that the use of aggregate versus disaggregate (prefecture-level) data to investigate money demand in Japan “can yield diametrically opposite results” if heterogeneity across ‘micro units’ is ignored. An interesting contribution of their paper is the discussion of nonstationarity and cointegration in the context of cross-section aggregation: if variable series are nonstationary and cointegrated at the micro unit level, then aggregation is only going to yield stable macro relations if either all technology parameters are the same across units or provided there is no change in their weighting to make up the aggregate economy series. With reference to our own empirical question of interest the latter would imply the absence of any structural change in the economy over time.

It is difficult to draw any conclusions from this literature for our present empirical problem. Although the discussion and empirical examples in van Garderen et al. (2000) and Hsiao et al. (2005) offer some useful insights, they analyse data within single countries (UK, Japan) rather than in a large panel of developing and developed economies. In terms of their theoretical contribution, it needs to be stressed that they do not consider the arguably crucial question of cross-section dependence.

5.2 Aggregation Bias — Empirical Evidence

In this section we provide practical evidence that the use of an aggregate production function will lead to seriously biased technology estimates. We carry out this analysis by creating a stylised ‘aggregated economy’ from our data on agriculture and manufacturing. Since it might be suggested that results could be severely distorted by the overly simplistic nature of our setup, we compare results with those from a matched sample of aggregate economy data from the PWT. Pre-estimation testing revealed that both datasets employed in this section are made up of nonstationary series which are cross-sectionally correlated — see Tables TA-1 and TA-2 in the Technical Appendix for details.¹⁵

We begin our discussion with the pooled models in Table 3. Across all specifications the estimated capital coefficients in the stylised aggregated data far exceed those derived from the respective agriculture and manufacturing samples in Table 1. Furthermore, the patterns across estimators are replicated one-to-one in the PWT data, which also yields excessively high capital coefficients across all models. All models suffer from cross-sectional dependence in the residuals, while there are also indications that the residuals in the CCEP model for the aggregated data are nonstationary (those in the two other levels specifications are *always* nonstationary). We also investigated the impact of human capital (proxied via average years of schooling attained in the population over 15 years of age) in these aggregate economy data models, but as Table TA-VI in the Technical Appendix reveals the basic bias remains.

Turning to the results from averaged country regressions in Table 4: the MG and FDMG model point to some differences between the aggregated and PWT data, whereby the capital coefficients in the former are estimated very imprecisely but seem to centre around .3, whereas in the latter they are considerably higher at around .7 to .9. Results for the conceptually superior CMG, however, are again very consistent

¹⁵The Technical Appendix also contains details of an extensive simulation exercise, where we formulate a number of production technologies for agriculture and manufacturing reflecting our insights into the effects of parameter heterogeneity, variable nonstationarity and cross-section dependence and analyse stylised aggregate data constructed from these two sectors. This exercise suggests that more than any other feature the introduction of common factors (even different ones across sectors) creates the biggest problems in the aggregate empirical results.

between the two samples and across unrestricted and CRS models, with capital coefficients around .7. Residual testing suggests that all specifications yield stationary residuals. Cross-section correlation tests reject independence in all residual series tests — in case of the stylised aggregated data the CMG rejects marginally.

For ease of comparison, Table 5 provides an overview of the preferred empirical results at the sectoral and aggregate data level, assuming common technology (top panel) or technology differences across countries (bottom panel).¹⁶ Thus across a large number of empirical specifications we have found there to be a systematic difference between results for the sectoral data on the one hand and those for the stylised aggregated and aggregate economy data on the other.

6 Concluding Remarks

In this paper we employed unique panel data for agriculture and manufacturing to estimate sector-level and aggregate production functions. Our empirical analysis emphasised the contribution of the recent panel time-series econometrics literature and in particular the concerns over cross-sectional dependence commonly found in macro panel data. In addition we took the nonstationarity of observable and unobservable factor inputs into account and emphasised the importance of parameter heterogeneity — across countries as well as sectors.

We draw the following conclusions from our first, crude attempts at highlighting the importance of structural makeup and change in the empirical analysis of cross-country growth and development: *firstly*, duality matters. Empirical analysis of growth and development across countries gains considerably from the consideration of modern and traditional sectors that make up the economy. Our analysis of agriculture and manufacturing versus a stylised aggregated economy suggests that the latter yields severely distorted empirical results with serious implications for estimates of TFP derived from aggregate analysis. Analysis of PWT data in parallel with the aggregated data suggested that this finding is not an artefact of our stylised empirical setup.

Secondly, focusing on technology and TFP within each sector, we found the data rejected empirical specifications that impose common technology, TFP evolution and independence of shocks and evolution of observables and unobservables across countries. That is to say a standard assumption in existing work on the dual economy model using growth accounting methods, namely that of common technology within a sector across countries, is not in line with the data. If these restrictions were correct we should be able to find pooled technology models satisfying the most basic assumptions of stationary and cross-sectionally independent residuals — in practice, however, we find results much more in line with the notion of differential technology across countries, for which we have provided support from economic theory.

Thirdly, the presence of unobserved common factors, both as latent variables driving all observables and as a conceptual framework for TFP, has been shown to have a substantial impact on empirical results. Much of the cross-country empirical literature still assumes away the presence of global economic shocks and spillovers across country borders; arguably, with the experience of the recent global financial crisis it

¹⁶As a further robustness check we ran regressions where rather than aggregate the data we forced manufacturing and agriculture production to follow the same technology, using a Seemingly Unrelated Regression model. Results (available on request) did not differ qualitatively from the aggregated results presented above. In addition we estimated dynamic pooled models (introducing the PMG and CPMG estimators) in Table TA-VIII in the Technical Appendix — all of these results more or less confirm the patterns across sectoral and aggregated data described above.

is now more evident than ever that economic performance in a globalised world is highly interconnected, that domestic markets cannot ‘de-couple’ from the global financial and goods markets and, in econometric terms, that latent forces drive all of the observable and unobservable variables and processes we are trying to model. One important implication is that commonly applied instruments in cross-country growth regressions are invalid — a sentiment echoed in recent work by Clemens and Bazzi (2009). We argue that panel time series methods allow us to develop a new type of cross-country empirics, which is more informative and more flexible in the problems that it can address than its critics have allowed.

Fourthly, we are aware of the serious data limitations for sectoral data from developing economies, in particular regarding the high data requirements of panel time series methods. The Crego et al. (1998) dataset allowed us to make sectoral analysis directly comparable between manufacturing and agriculture, however for alternative research questions the use of data from *one or the other sector* may be sufficient. There are at least two existing data sources, namely FAO data for agriculture and UNIDO data for manufacturing, which are ideally suited to inform this type of analysis at the sector-level, for a large number of countries and over a substantial period of time.

Cross-country panel data plays a crucial role in policy analysis for development. The present work is only a first step in establishing an empirical version of a dual economy model to inform this literature. From the perspective of dual economy theory, we have only analysed one aspect of the canon, namely technology heterogeneity between traditional and modern sectors of production. In future work we will implement empirical tests to investigate the suggested sources of growth arising from this literature, including marginal factor product differences as well as heterogeneous TFP levels or growth across sectors.

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TABLES AND FIGURES

Table 1: Pooled regression models for agriculture and manufacturing

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE

	<i>Agriculture</i>				<i>Manufacturing</i>			
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] CCEP ^b	[5] POLS	[6] 2FE	[7] CCEP	[8] CCEP ^b
log labour	-0.059	-0.205	-0.203	-0.080	0.043	0.069	0.089	0.022
$\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K (+\hat{\beta}_N) - 1$	[7.06]**	[10.03]**	[1.73]	[0.40]	[3.56]**	[3.68]**	[1.77]	[0.39]
log capital pw	0.618	0.654	0.484	0.533	0.897	0.855	0.511	0.497
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[74.18]**	[42.29]**	[11.24]**	[6.88]**	[55.53]**	[32.93]**	[8.90]**	[8.93]**
log land pw	0.012	-0.151	-0.092	0.094				
$\hat{\beta}_N$	[1.07]	[4.89]**	[0.64]	[0.45]				
Implied RS [†]	DRS	DRS	CRS	CRS	IRS	IRS	CRS	CRS
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	0.323	0.346	0.516	0.467	0.146	0.214	0.489	0.503
\hat{e} integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.57	0.38	0.44	0.55	0.00	0.59
R-squared	0.94	0.86	1.00	1.00	0.84	0.67	1.00	1.00

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED

	<i>Agriculture</i>				<i>Manufacturing</i>			
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] CCEP ^b	[5] POLS	[6] 2FE	[7] CCEP	[8] CCEP ^b
log capital pw	0.644	0.724	0.493	0.514	0.920	0.865	0.510	0.499
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[85.54]**	[48.86]**	[11.84]**	[8.61]**	[71.30]**	[34.11]**	[11.75]**	[11.22]**
log land pw	0.009	-0.005	0.108	0.123				
$\hat{\beta}_N$	[0.70]	[0.15]	[1.57]	[1.15]				
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	0.348	0.281	0.399	0.486	0.080	0.135	0.490	0.501
\hat{e} integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)/I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.71	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
R-squared	0.94	0.85	1.00	1.00	0.84	0.66	1.00	1.00

Notes: $N = 41$ countries, 928 observations, average $T = 22.6$. Dependent variable: value-added per worker (in logs). All variables are suitably transformed in the 2FE equation. Estimators: POLS — pooled OLS, 2FE — 2-way Fixed Effects, CCEP — Common Correlated Effects Pooled version (see below). We omit reporting the estimates on the intercept term. t -statistics reported in brackets are constructed using White heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors. *, ** indicate significance at 5% and 1% level respectively. Time dummies are included explicitly in [1] and [5] or implicitly in [2] and [6]. Cross-section average augmentation in [3],[4],[7] and [8]. ^b The model includes cross-section average for *both* the agricultural and manufacturing sector variables respectively. [†] Returns to scale, based on significance of log labour estimate. [‡] Based on returns to scale result. [‡] Order of integration of regression residuals, determined using Pesaran (2007) CIPS (full results available on request). [‡] Pesaran (2004) CD-test (full results for this and other CSD tests available on request).

Table 2: Heterogeneous parameter models (robust means)

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE

	Agriculture				Manufacturing			
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] CMG ^b	[5] MG	[6] FDMG	[7] CMG	[8] CMG ^b
log labour	-1.936	-0.414	-0.533	0.009	-0.125	-0.154	0.094	0.012
$\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K (+\hat{\beta}_N) - 1$	[2.50]*	[0.48]	[0.91]	[0.01]	[0.90]	[1.36]	[1.12]	[0.14]
log capital pw	-0.053	0.135	0.526	0.292	0.214	0.139	0.545	0.341
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[0.28]	[0.61]	[2.76]**	[1.32]	[1.38]	[0.84]	[6.34]**	[4.30]**
log land pw	-0.334	-0.245	-0.352	-0.318				
$\hat{\beta}_N$	[1.09]	[0.85]	[1.12]	[1.01]				
country trend/drift	0.018	0.010			0.014	0.019		
	[1.81]	[1.22]			[2.54]*	[3.35]**		
Implied RS [†]	DRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	n/a	n/a	0.474	0.708	n/a	n/a	0.455	0.659
reject CRS (10%)	27%	12%	20%	12%	44%	12%	39%	15%
sign. trends/drifts (10%)	20	7			19	10		
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
avg. abs. correl. coeff.	0.23	0.22	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.22	0.23	0.23
CD-test (p) [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.63	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.09
Observations	928	879	928	928	928	879	928	928

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED

	Agriculture				Manufacturing			
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] CMG ^b	[5] MG	[6] FDMG	[7] CMG	[8] CMG ^b
log capital pw	-0.012	0.297	0.547	0.578	0.320	0.388	0.550	0.424
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[0.07]	[2.14]*	[4.66]**	[3.00]**	[2.74]**	[4.02]**	[6.33]**	[6.43]**
log land pw	0.360	0.138	0.163	0.208				
$\hat{\beta}_N$	[1.30]	[0.71]	[0.90]	[1.04]				
country trend/drift	0.016	0.014			0.011	0.011		
	[2.89]**	[3.09]**			[2.63]*	[3.06]**		
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	1.012	0.703	0.453	0.422	0.680	0.612	0.450	0.567
sign. trends/drifts (10%)	22	6			31	15		
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
avg. abs. correl. coeff.	0.23	0.22	0.26	0.26	0.29	0.22	0.26	0.23
CD-test (p) [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Observations	928	879	928	928	928	879	928	928

Notes: $N = 41$ countries, average $T = 22.6$ (21.4 for FD). Dependent variable: value-added per worker (in logs). All variables are suitably transformed in the FD equations. Estimators: MG — Mean Group, FDMG — MG with variables in first difference, CMG — Common Correlated Effects Mean Group version. We report outlier-robust means; estimates on intercept terms are not shown. t -statistics in brackets following Pesaran and Smith (1995). *, ** indicate significance at 5% and 1% level respectively. Estimates on cross-section averages in [3],[4],[7] and [8] not reported. ^b The model includes cross-section average for both the agricultural and manufacturing sector variables respectively. [†] Returns to scale, based on significance of log labour estimate. [‡] Based on returns to scale result. [‡] Order of integration of regression residuals, determined using Pesaran (2007) CIPS (full results available on request). [‡] Based on Pesaran (2004) CD-test (full results for this and other CSD tests available on request).

Table 3: Pooled regression models for aggregated and PWT data

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE

	<i>Aggregated data</i>			<i>Penn World Table data</i>		
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] POLS	[5] 2FE	[6] CCEP
log labour	0.011	-0.096	0.036	0.034	-0.138	-0.201
$\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K - 1$	[1.50]	[4.49]**	[0.52]	[7.43]**	[4.74]**	[1.75]
log capital pw	0.829	0.792	0.655	0.742	0.700	0.684
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[108.41]**	[64.71]**	[21.71]**	[114.77]**	[49.71]**	[16.90]**
Implied RS [†]	CRS	DRS	CRS	IRS	DRS	CRS
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	0.171	0.111	0.345	0.292	0.162	0.316
$\hat{\epsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(1)/I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(1)/I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.98	0.01	0.07	0.02	0.00	0.02
R-squared	0.96	0.88	1.00	0.96	0.82	1.00
Observations	928	928	928	922	922	922

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED

	<i>Aggregated data</i>			<i>Penn World Table data</i>		
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] POLS	[5] 2FE	[6] CCEP
log capital pw	0.825	0.823	0.672	0.730	0.745	0.656
$\hat{\beta}_K$	[120.85]**	[72.25]**	[23.14]**	[130.53]**	[62.33]**	[20.61]**
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	0.175	0.177	0.328	0.270	0.256	0.344
$\hat{\epsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(1)/I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.91	0.86	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.03
R-squared	0.96	0.88	1.00	0.96	0.81	1.00
Observations	928	928	928	922	922	922

Notes: $N = 41$ countries, average $T = 22.6$. Dependent variable: value-added per worker (in logs). All variables are suitably transformed in the 2FE equations. Estimators: POLS — pooled OLS, 2FE — 2-way Fixed Effects, CCEP — Common Correlated Effects Pooled version. We omit reporting the estimates for the intercept term. t -statistics reported in brackets are constructed using White heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors. Time dummies are included explicitly in [1] and [4] or implicitly in [3] and [5]. Cross-section average augmentation in [3] and [6]. *, ** indicate significance at 5% and 1% level respectively. † Returns to scale, based on significance of log labour estimate. ‡ Based on returns to scale result. ‡ Order of integration of regression residuals, determined using Pesaran (2007) CIPS (full results available on request). ‡ Pesaran (2004) CD-test (full results for this and other CSD tests available on request).

Table 4: Heterogeneous parameter models (robust means)

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE

	Aggregated data			Penn World Table data		
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] MG	[5] FDMG	[6] CMG
log labour $\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K - 1$	-0.233 [0.55]	-0.169 [0.51]	0.057 [0.31]	-0.442 [0.74]	-1.089 [2.35]*	-0.172 [0.45]
log capital pw $\hat{\beta}_K$	0.233 [1.28]	0.289 [1.71]	0.651 [7.00]**	0.625 [4.64]**	0.976 [6.40]**	0.715 [5.49]**
country trend/drift	0.026 [2.93]**	0.022 [2.57]*		0.011 [1.12]	-0.005 [0.83]	
Implied RS [†]	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	DRS	CRS
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	n/a	n/a	0.349	0.375	n/a	0.285
reject CRS (10%)	56%	15%	29%	74%	26%	51%
sign. trends/drifts (10%)	27	13		30	12	
$\hat{\epsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
abs correl.coeff.	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.25	0.19	0.24
CD-test (p) [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Observations	928	928	879	922	922	873

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED

	Aggregated data			Penn World Table data		
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] MG	[5] FDMG	[6] CMG
log capital pw $\hat{\beta}_K$	0.324 [2.12]*	0.222 [2.09]*	0.745 [11.78]**	0.681 [8.38]**	0.892 [7.47]**	0.785 [12.59]**
country trend/drift	0.013 [2.69]*	0.018 [4.65]**		0.001 [0.23]	-0.004 [1.24]	
Implied $\hat{\beta}_L$ [‡]	0.676	0.778	0.255	0.319	0.108	0.215
sign. trends/drifts (10%)	25	11		27	12	
$\hat{\epsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
abs correl.coeff.	0.29	0.23	0.26	0.32	0.23	0.30
CD-test (p) [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Observations	928	928	879	922	922	873

Notes: $N = 41$, average $T = 22.6$ (21.4 for FDMG). Dependent variable: value-added per worker (in logs). All variables are suitably transformed in the FD equations. Estimators: MG — Mean Group, FDMG — MG with variables in first difference, CMG — Common Correlated Effects Mean Group version. We report outlier-robust means; estimates for intercept terms are not shown. t -statistics in brackets following Pesaran and Smith (1995). *, ** indicate significance at 5% and 1% level respectively. Estimates on cross-section averages in [3] and [6] not reported. † Returns to scale, based on significance of log labour estimate. ‡ Based on returns to scale result. ‡ Order of integration of regression residuals, determined using Pesaran (2007) CIPS (full results available on request). ‡ Based on Pesaran (2004) CD-test (full results for this and other CSD tests available on request).

Table 5: Comparison of preferred models

PANEL (A): HOMOGENEOUS TECHNOLOGY

	<i>Sectoral data</i>		<i>Aggregate data</i>	
	Agri [1]	Manu [2]	Stylised [3]	PWT [4]
	CCEP^b	CCEP^b	CCEP	CCEP
log labour $\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K (+\hat{\beta}_N) - 1$		0.022 [0.39]	0.036 [0.52]	
log capital pw $\hat{\beta}_K$	0.514 [8.61]**	0.497 [8.93]**	0.655 [21.71]**	0.656 [20.61]**
log land pw $\hat{\beta}_N$	0.123 [1.15]			
Implied RS [†]	n/a	CRS	CRS	n/a
Implied β_L [‡]	0.486	0.503	0.381	0.344
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(1)/I(0)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.58	0.59	0.07	0.03

PANEL (B): HETEROGENEOUS TECHNOLOGY

	<i>Sectoral data</i>		<i>Aggregate data</i>	
	Agri [1]	Manu [2]	Stylised [3]	PWT [4]
	CMG^b	CMG^b	CMG	CMG
log labour $\hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K (+\hat{\beta}_N) - 1$		0.012 [0.14]		
log capital pw $\hat{\beta}_K$	0.578 [3.00]**	0.341 [4.30]**	0.651 [7.00]**	0.785 [12.59]**
log land pw $\hat{\beta}_N$	0.208 [1.04]			
Implied RS [†]	n/a	CRS	n/a	n/a
Implied β_L [‡]	0.422	0.659	0.349	0.215
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
CD-test (p) [‡]	0.76	0.09	0.00	0.00

Notes: Panel (A) of this table combines regression results from (from left to right) Table 1 Panel (B) column [4] and Panel (A) column [8], Table 3 Panel (A) column [3] and Panel (B) column [6]. Panel (B) combines results from (from left to right) Table 2 Panel (B) column [4] and Panel (A) column [8] and Table 4 Panel (B) columns [3] and [6]. In the agricultural regressions where the CCEP and CCEP^d both had sound diagnostics (and very similar coefficient estimates) we report the latter since it allows for greater flexibility. *, ** indicate significance at 5% and 1% level respectively. $N = 41$, average $T = 22.6$. ^b Model includes cross-section average for *both* the agricultural and manufacturing sector variables respectively. [†] Returns to scale, based on significance of log labour estimate. [‡] Based on returns to scale result. [‡] Order of integration of regression residuals, determined using Pesaran (2007) CIPS. [‡] Based on Pesaran (2004) CD-test.

APPENDIX

A-1 Data construction and descriptives

We use a total of four datasets in our empirical analysis, comprising data for agriculture and manufacturing (Crego et al., 1998; UNIDO, 2004; FAO, 2007), an ‘aggregated dataset’ where the labour, output and capital stock values for the two sectors are added up, and finally a Penn World Table (PWT 6.2) dataset (Heston et al., 2006) for comparative purposes. It is important to stress that the former three datasets differ significantly in their construction from the latter, primarily in the choice of exchange rates and deflation: the former use international (US\$-LCU) exchange rates for the year 1990, whereas the Penn World Table dataset comprises Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) adjusted International Dollars taking the year 2000 as the comparative base. The former thus put an emphasis on traded goods, whereas the latter are generally perceived to account better for non-tradables and service. Provided that all monetary values making up the variables used in each regression are comparable (across countries, times), and given that the comparison of sectoral and aggregated data with the PWT is for illustrative purposes, we do not feel there is an issue in presenting results from these two conceptually different datasets.

In all cases the results present are for matched observations across datasets: the four datasets are identical in terms of countries and time-periods — we prefer this arrangement for direct comparison despite the fact that more observations are available for individual data sources, which may improve the robustness of empirical estimates. We provide details on the sample makeup in Table A-I. The next two subsections describe data construction. Descriptive statistics for all variables in the empirical analysis are presented in Table A-II.

Table A-I: Descriptive statistics: Sample makeup for all datasets

#	WBCODE	COUNTRY	OBS	#	WBCODE	COUNTRY	OBS
1	AUS	Australia	20	22	JPN	Japan	28
2	AUT	Austria	22	23	KEN	Kenya	29
3	BEL	Belgium-Luxembourg	22	24	KOR	South Korea	29
4	CAN	Canada	30	25	LKA	Sri Lanka	17
5	CHL	Chile	20	26	MDG	Madagascar	20
6	COL	Colombia	26	27	MLT	Malta	23
7	CRI	Costa Rica	10	28	MUS	Mauritius	16
8	CYP	Cyprus	18	29	MWI	Malawi	23
9	DNK	Denmark	26	30	NLD	Netherlands	23
10	EGY	Egypt	24	31	NOR	Norway	22
11	FIN	Finland	28	32	NZL	New Zealand	19
12	FRA	France	23	33	PAK	Pakistan	24
13	GBR	United Kingdom	22	34	PHL	Philippines	24
14	GRC	Greece	28	35	PRT	Portugal	20
15	GTM	Guatemala	19	36	SWE	Sweden	23
16	IDN	Indonesia	22	37	TUN	Tunisia	17
17	IND	India	29	38	USA	United States	23
18	IRL	Ireland	23	39	VEN	Venezuela	19
19	IRN	Iran	25	40	ZAF	South Africa	26
20	ISL	Iceland	20	41	ZWE	Zimbabwe	25
21	ITA	Italy	21		Total	928	

Table A-II: Descriptive statistics

AGRICULTURE DATA						MANUFACTURING DATA					
PANEL (A): VARIABLES IN UNTRANSFORMED LEVEL TERMS											
Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.	Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.
Output	1.74E+10	5.91E+09	2.95E+10	3.54E+07	2.24E+11	Output	7.47E+10	8.31E+09	2.07E+11	7.20E+06	1.43E+12
Labour	9.51E+06	1.21E+06	3.45E+07	3.00E+03	2.33E+08	Labour	1.73E+06	4.75E+05	3.42E+06	9.56E+03	1.97E+07
Capital	6.42E+10	1.01E+10	1.45E+11	2.90E+07	8.64E+11	Capital	1.33E+11	1.91E+10	2.97E+11	1.41E+07	1.81E+12
Land	1.73E+07	3.50E+06	4.06E+07	6.00E+03	1.91E+08						
<i>in logarithms</i>											
Output	22.369	22.500	1.737	17.382	26.134	Output	22.812	22.840	2.292	15.790	27.991
Labour	13.984	14.006	2.011	8.006	19.267	Labour	13.081	13.072	1.653	9.166	16.794
Capital	22.933	23.037	2.276	17.183	27.485	Capital	23.619	23.675	2.269	16.462	28.222
Land	15.089	15.068	1.986	8.700	19.066						
<i>in growth rates</i>											
Output	1.75%	1.94%	10.36%	-41.54%	53.86%	Output	4.45%	3.83%	10.09%	-40.91%	84.23%
Labour	-0.63%	0.00%	3.00%	-28.77%	13.35%	Labour	1.96%	1.13%	6.83%	-38.84%	78.12%
Capital	1.89%	1.25%	3.61%	-5.13%	31.40%	Capital	4.84%	3.62%	4.97%	-5.10%	53.03%
Land	0.06%	0.00%	2.17%	-23.06%	13.57%						
PANEL (B): VARIABLES IN PER WORKER TERMS											
Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.	Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.
Output	12,615.6	6,419.6	13,130.6	44.2	57,891.3	Output	26,898.2	20,212.6	22,071.3	753.0	101,933.8
Capital	51,847.1	9,661.9	63,427.8	13.1	222,396.5	Capital	63,080.3	42,543.9	64,355.0	1,475.5	449,763.4
Land	9.57	2.94	20.25	0.29	110.00						
<i>in logarithms</i>											
Output	8.385	8.767	1.817	3.788	10.966	Output	9.731	9.914	1.084	6.624	11.532
Capital	8.950	9.176	2.694	2.573	12.312	Capital	10.538	10.658	1.083	7.297	13.016
Land	1.105	1.078	1.404	-1.244	4.701						
<i>in growth rates</i>											
Output	2.33%	2.52%	10.49%	-43.67%	55.98%	Output	2.51%	2.48%	9.00%	-66.95%	73.01%
Capital	2.47%	2.00%	4.17%	-7.83%	31.12%	Capital	2.90%	2.91%	6.59%	-71.65%	42.44%
Land	0.70%	0.50%	3.40%	-18.37%	28.77%						
AGGREGATED DATA						PENN WORLD TABLE DATA					
PANEL (A): VARIABLES IN UNTRANSFORMED LEVEL TERMS											
Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.	Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.
Output	9.22E+10	1.69E+10	2.31E+11	1.14E+08	1.55E+12	Output	4.24E+11	1.27E+11	1.01E+12	1.34E+09	7.98E+12
Labour	1.12E+07	2.31E+06	3.55E+07	2.23E+04	2.40E+08	Labour	5.05E+07	1.30E+07	1.19E+08	2.12E+05	8.54E+08
Capital	1.97E+11	2.79E+10	4.31E+11	1.02E+08	2.25E+12	Capital	1.21E+12	3.25E+11	2.93E+12	3.30E+09	2.27E+13
<i>in logarithms</i>											
Output	23.470	23.553	2.016	18.552	28.069	Output	25.423	25.564	1.716	21.018	29.708
Labour	14.640	14.653	1.736	10.011	19.297	Labour	16.469	16.380	1.627	12.266	20.565
Capital	24.078	24.052	2.213	18.438	28.442	Capital	26.359	26.506	1.801	21.918	30.753
<i>in growth rates</i>											
Output	3.17%	3.15%	7.37%	-33.87%	42.14%	Output	4.00%	4.00%	4.96%	-37.12%	26.63%
Labour	0.19%	0.49%	2.56%	-11.39%	19.30%	Labour	1.56%	1.43%	1.14%	-1.87%	4.82%
Capital	3.57%	2.73%	3.62%	-5.00%	25.14%	Capital	4.60%	4.19%	2.84%	-1.30%	16.43%
PANEL (B): VARIABLES IN PER WORKER TERMS											
Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.	Variable	mean	median	std. dev.	min.	max.
<i>in levels</i>											
Output	19,327.1	10,736.2	19,174.0	72.5	76,031.1	Output	11,396.7	10,308.1	8,162.3	594.3	31,074.1
Capital	49,187.4	22,087.4	55,406.5	52.7	236,312.1	Capital	36,832.4	32,026.3	31,668.2	660.8	136,891.2
<i>in logarithms</i>											
Output	8.830	9.281	1.845	4.284	11.239	Output	8.945	9.241	1.016	6.387	10.344
Capital	9.438	10.003	2.191	3.964	12.373	Capital	9.868	10.374	1.365	6.493	11.827
<i>in growth rates</i>											
Output	2.95%	3.30%	7.04%	-31.02%	44.49%	Output	2.44%	2.57%	4.96%	-41.22%	23.19%
Capital	3.38%	3.14%	3.74%	-18.43%	22.16%	Capital	3.04%	2.77%	2.87%	-4.23%	14.26%

Notes: We report the descriptive statistics for value-added (in US\$1990 or PPP I\$2000), labour (headcount), capital stock (same monetary values as VA in each respective dataset) and land (in hectare) for the full regression sample ($n = 928$; $N = 41$).

A-1.1 Sectoral and aggregated data

Investment data Data for agricultural and manufacturing investment (AgSEInv, MfgSEInv) in constant 1990 LCU, the US\$-LCU exchange rate (Ex_Rate, see comment below) as well as sector-specific deflators (AgDef, TotDef) were taken from Crego et al. (1998).¹⁷ Note that Crego et al. (1998) also provide capital stock data, which they produced through their own calculations from the investment data. Following Martin and Mitra (2002) we believe the use of a single year exchange rate is preferable to the use of annual ones in the construction of real output (see next paragraph) and capital stock (see below).

Output data For manufacturing we use data on aggregate GDP in current LCU and the share of GDP in manufacturing from the World Bank World Development Indicators (WDI) (World Bank, 2008). For agriculture we use agricultural value-added in current LCU from the same source. We prefer the latter over the share of GDP in agriculture for data coverage reasons (in theory coverage should be the same, but it is not). The two sectoral value-added series are then deflated using the Crego et al. (1998) sectoral deflator for agriculture and the total economy deflator for manufacturing, before we use the 1990 US\$-LCU exchange rates to make them comparable across countries.

Note that the currencies used in the Crego et al. (1998) data differ from those applied in the WDI data for a number of European countries due to the adoption of the Euro: for the latter we therefore need to use an alternative 1990 US\$-LCU exchange rate for these economies.¹⁸

Labour data For agriculture we adopt the variable ‘economically active population in agriculture’ from the FAO’s PopSTAT (FAO, 2007). Manufacturing labour is taken from UNIDO’s INDSTAT (UNIDO, 2004).

Additional data The land variable is taken from ResourceSTAT and represents arable and permanent crop land (originally in 1000 hectare) (FAO, 2007). For the robustness checks (results available on request): the livestock variable is constructed from the data for asses (donkeys), buffalos, camels, cattle, chickens, ducks, horses, mules, pigs, sheep & goats and turkeys in the ‘Live animals’ section of ProdSTAT. Following convention we use the below formula to convert the numbers for individual animal species into the livestock variable:

$$\text{livestock} = 1.1 * \text{camels} + \text{buffalos} + \text{horses} + \text{mules} + 0.8 * \text{cattle} + 0.8 * \text{asses} \\ + 0.2 * \text{pigs} + 0.1 * (\text{sheep} + \text{goats}) + 0.01 * (\text{chickens} + \text{ducks} + \text{turkeys})$$

The fertilizer variable is taken from the ‘Fertilizers archive’ of ResourceSTAT and represents agricultural fertilizer consumed in metric tons, which includes ‘crude’ and ‘manufactured’ fertilizers. For human capital we employ years of schooling attained in the population aged 25 and above from Barro and Lee (2001).

¹⁷Data is available in excel format on the World Bank website at <http://go.worldbank.org/FS3FXW7461>. All data discussed in this appendix are linked at <http://sites.google.com/site/medevecon/devecondata>. Stata code for empirical estimators and tests is available from SSC: `pescadf`, `xtmg`, `xtcd`.

¹⁸In detail, we apply exchange rates of 1.210246384 for AUT, 1.207133927 for BEL, 1.55504706 for FIN, 1.204635181 for FRA, 2.149653527 for GRC, 1.302645017 for IRL, 1.616114954 for ITA, 1.210203555 for NLD and 1.406350856 for PRT. See Table A-1 for country codes.

Capital stock We construct capital stock in agriculture and manufacturing by applying the perpetual inventory method described in detail in Klenow and Rodriguez-Clare (1997b) using the investment data from Crego et al. (1998), which is transformed into US\$ by application of the 1990 US\$-LCU exchange rate. For the construction of sectoral base year capital stock we employ average sector value-added growth rates g_j (using the deflated sectoral value-added data), the average sectoral investment to value-added ratio $(I/Y)_j$ and an assumed depreciation rate of 5% to construct

$$\left(\frac{K}{Y}\right)_{0j} = \frac{IY_j}{g_j + 0.05}$$

for sector j . This ratio is then multiplied by sectoral value-added in the base year to yield K_{0j} . Note that the method deviates from that discussed in Klenow and Rodriguez-Clare (1997b) as they use *per capita* GDP in their computations and therefore need to account for population growth in the construction of the base year capital stock.

Aggregated data We combine the agriculture and manufacturing data to produce a stylised ‘aggregate economy’: for labour we simply add up the headcount, for the monetary representations of output and capital stock we can do so as well. We are afforded this ability to simply add up variables for the two sectors by the efforts of Crego et al. (1998), who have built the first large panel dataset providing data on investment in agriculture for a long timespan.

A-1.2 Penn World Table data

As a means of comparison we also provide production function estimates using data from PWT version 6.2. We adopt real per capita GDP in International \$ Laspeyeres (rgdpl) as measure for output and construct capital stock using investment data (derived from the investment share in real GDP, k_i , and the output variable, rgdpl) in the perpetual inventory method described above, adopting again 5% depreciation (this time we need to use the data on population from PWT, pop, to compute the average annual population growth rate).

TECHNICAL APPENDIX

TA-1 Time-series properties of the data

Table TA-I: Second generation panel unit root tests

PANEL (A): AGRICULTURE DATA

<i>Variables in levels</i>						<i>Variables in growth rates</i>					
log VA pw		log Labour		log Cap pw		VA pw		Labour		Cap pw	
lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)
0	-0.662 (.25)	7.869 (1.00)	7.182 (1.00)	7.182 (1.00)	7.182 (1.00)	0	-16.230 (.00)	-2.829 (.00)	-1.550 (.06)	-1.550 (.06)	-1.550 (.06)
1	-0.326 (.37)	5.392 (1.00)	3.871 (1.00)	3.871 (1.00)	3.871 (1.00)	1	-9.960 (.00)	3.394 (1.00)	-0.359 (.36)	-0.359 (.36)	-0.359 (.36)
2	2.911 (1.00)	7.550 (1.00)	5.490 (1.00)	5.490 (1.00)	5.490 (1.00)	2	-4.970 (.00)	5.639 (1.00)	4.161 (1.00)	4.161 (1.00)	4.161 (1.00)
3	4.817 (1.00)	9.859 (1.00)	5.417 (1.00)	5.417 (1.00)	5.417 (1.00)	3	-1.474 (.07)	6.238 (1.00)	5.171 (1.00)	5.171 (1.00)	5.171 (1.00)
Land pw						Land pw					
lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)
0	9.432 (1.00)	9.432 (1.00)	9.432 (1.00)	9.432 (1.00)	9.432 (1.00)	0	-9.704 (.00)	-9.704 (.00)	-9.704 (.00)	-9.704 (.00)	-9.704 (.00)
1	7.223 (1.00)	7.223 (1.00)	7.223 (1.00)	7.223 (1.00)	7.223 (1.00)	1	-3.433 (.00)	-3.433 (.00)	-3.433 (.00)	-3.433 (.00)	-3.433 (.00)
2	6.069 (1.00)	6.069 (1.00)	6.069 (1.00)	6.069 (1.00)	6.069 (1.00)	2	1.324 (.91)	1.324 (.91)	1.324 (.91)	1.324 (.91)	1.324 (.91)
3	3.266 (1.00)	3.266 (1.00)	3.266 (1.00)	3.266 (1.00)	3.266 (1.00)	3	3.132 (1.00)	3.132 (1.00)	3.132 (1.00)	3.132 (1.00)	3.132 (1.00)

PANEL (B): MANUFACTURING DATA

<i>Variables in levels</i>						<i>Variables in growth rates</i>					
log VA pw		log Labour		log Cap pw		VA pw		Labour		Cap pw	
lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)
0	0.903 (.82)	2.539 (.99)	1.668 (.95)	1.668 (.95)	1.668 (.95)	0	-18.029 (.00)	-11.824 (.00)	-9.259 (.00)	-9.259 (.00)	-9.259 (.00)
1	2.631 (1.00)	1.971 (.98)	0.667 (.75)	0.667 (.75)	0.667 (.75)	1	-8.603 (.00)	-6.586 (.00)	-4.928 (.00)	-4.928 (.00)	-4.928 (.00)
2	2.513 (.99)	4.240 (1.00)	2.060 (.98)	2.060 (.98)	2.060 (.98)	2	-3.585 (.00)	-3.700 (.00)	-2.263 (.01)	-2.263 (.01)	-2.263 (.01)
3	4.022 (1.00)	4.066 (1.00)	3.240 (1.00)	3.240 (1.00)	3.240 (1.00)	3	-1.059 (.14)	-0.176 (.43)	0.847 (.80)	0.847 (.80)	0.847 (.80)

PANEL (C): AGGREGATED DATA

<i>Variables in levels</i>						<i>Variables in growth rates</i>					
log VA pw		log Labour		log Cap pw		VA pw		Labour		Cap pw	
lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)
0	2.558 (.99)	6.950 (1.00)	5.920 (1.00)	5.920 (1.00)	5.920 (1.00)	0	-15.283 (.00)	-5.625 (.00)	-4.489 (.00)	-4.489 (.00)	-4.489 (.00)
1	3.112 (1.00)	4.292 (1.00)	3.668 (1.00)	3.668 (1.00)	3.668 (1.00)	1	-8.185 (.00)	-2.324 (.01)	-1.073 (.14)	-1.073 (.14)	-1.073 (.14)
2	5.190 (1.00)	4.906 (1.00)	4.177 (1.00)	4.177 (1.00)	4.177 (1.00)	2	-3.429 (.00)	0.035 (.51)	1.154 (.88)	1.154 (.88)	1.154 (.88)
3	5.361 (1.00)	5.131 (1.00)	4.307 (1.00)	4.307 (1.00)	4.307 (1.00)	3	-0.640 (.26)	2.637 (1.00)	3.472 (1.00)	3.472 (1.00)	3.472 (1.00)

PANEL (D): PENN WORLD TABLE DATA

<i>Variables in levels</i>						<i>Variables in growth rates</i>					
log VA pw		log Labour		log Cap pw		VA pw		Labour		Cap pw	
lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	lags	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)	Ztbar (p)
0	4.544 (1.00)	-1.069 (.14)	2.802 (1.00)	2.802 (1.00)	2.802 (1.00)	0	-14.287 (.00)	0.711 (.76)	-4.690 (.00)	-4.690 (.00)	-4.690 (.00)
1	6.126 (1.00)	7.647 (1.00)	6.097 (1.00)	6.097 (1.00)	6.097 (1.00)	1	-6.603 (.00)	-1.977 (.02)	-2.437 (.01)	-2.437 (.01)	-2.437 (.01)
2	6.581 (1.00)	7.215 (1.00)	7.215 (1.00)	7.215 (1.00)	7.215 (1.00)	2	-4.112 (.00)	1.784 (.96)	-1.801 (.04)	-1.801 (.04)	-1.801 (.04)
3	7.772 (1.00)	6.475 (1.00)	7.576 (1.00)	7.576 (1.00)	7.576 (1.00)	3	-1.050 (.15)	2.205 (.99)	-0.468 (.32)	-0.468 (.32)	-0.468 (.32)

Notes: We report test statistics and p -values for the Pesaran (2007) CIPS panel unit root test of the variables in our four datasets. In all cases we use $N = 41$, $n = 928$ for the levels data.

TA-2 Cross-section dependence in the data

Table TA-II: Cross-section correlation analysis

	<i>Variables in levels</i>				<i>Variables in first differences</i>			
	$\bar{\rho}$	$ \bar{\rho} $	CD	CDZ	$\bar{\rho}$	$ \bar{\rho} $	CD	CDZ
AGRICULTURE DATA								
log VA pw (<i>p</i>)	0.41	0.57	57.65 (.00)	74.45 (.00)	0.05	0.23	6.57 (.00)	6.59 (.00)
log Labour (<i>p</i>)	-0.01	0.76	-1.10 (.27)	0.45 (.65)	0.12	0.52	14.50 (.00)	22.60 (.00)
log Cap pw (<i>p</i>)	0.41	0.72	56.06 (.00)	97.01 (.00)	0.08	0.40	9.09 (.00)	11.26 (.00)
log Land pw (<i>p</i>)	0.02	0.72	2.90 (.00)	3.49 (.00)	0.04	0.28	4.96 (.00)	5.67 (.00)
MANUFACTURING DATA								
log VA pw (<i>p</i>)	0.43	0.63	66.34 (.00)	84.24 (.00)	0.05	0.21	6.27 (.00)	6.49 (.00)
log Labour (<i>p</i>)	0.26	0.60	38.19 (.00)	54.53 (.00)	0.14	0.25	17.82 (.00)	18.98 (.00)
log Cap pw (<i>p</i>)	0.61	0.77	86.11 (.00)	136.03 (.00)	0.07	0.22	8.22 (.00)	9.04 (.00)
AGGREGATED DATA								
log VA pw (<i>p</i>)	0.61	0.69	83.57 (.00)	118.17 (.00)	0.08	0.23	10.65 (.00)	11.23 (.00)
log Labour (<i>p</i>)	0.01	0.72	1.36 (.18)	6.42 (.00)	0.06	0.31	8.24 (.00)	9.47 (.00)
log Cap pw (<i>p</i>)	0.76	0.85	97.16 (.00)	188.46 (.00)	0.07	0.29	7.99 (.00)	9.81 (.00)
PENN WORLD TABLE DATA								
log VA pw (<i>p</i>)	0.72	0.74	111.55 (.00)	170.81 (.00)	0.14	0.20	21.89 (.00)	19.07 (.00)
log Labour (<i>p</i>)	0.95	0.95	149.58 (.00)	298.19 (.00)	0.11	0.38	16.80 (.00)	17.57 (.00)
log Cap pw (<i>p</i>)	0.76	0.86	116.84 (.00)	219.82 (.00)	0.26	0.38	39.69 (.00)	38.66 (.00)

Notes: In all cases we use $N = 41$, $n = 928$ for the levels data. We report the average correlation coefficient across the $N(N - 1)$ variable series $\bar{\rho}$, as well as the average absolute correlation coefficient $|\bar{\rho}|$. CD and CDZ are formal cross-section correlation tests introduced by Pesaran (2004) and Moscone and Tosetti (2009). Under the H_0 of cross-section independence both statistics are asymptotically standard normal. We investigated two further tests introduced by Moscone and Tosetti (2009), namely CD-LM and CD-ABS, which yield the same conclusions as the tests presented (detailed results available on request).

TA-3 Monte Carlo Simulations: Data Generating Process

We run $M = 1,000$ replications of the following DGP for $N = 50$ cross-section elements and $T = 30$ time periods. Our basic setup for the DGP closely follows that of Kapetanios et al. (2011), albeit with a single rather than two regressors. For notational simplicity we do not identify the different sectors (agriculture and manufacturing) in the following, but all processes and variables are created independently across sectors, unless otherwise indicated.

$$y_{it} = \beta_i x_{it} + u_{it} \quad u_{it} = \alpha_i + \lambda_{i1}^y f_{1t} + \lambda_{i2}^y f_{2t} + \varepsilon_{it} \quad (7)$$

$$x_{it} = a_{i1} + a_{i2} d_t + \lambda_{i1}^x f_{1t} + \lambda_{i3}^x f_{3t} + v_{it} \quad (8)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, N$ unless indicated below and $t = 1, \dots, T$.

The common deterministic trend term (d_t) and individual-specific errors for the x -equation are zero-mean independent AR(1) processes defined as

$$\begin{aligned} d_t &= 0.5d_{t-1} + v_{dt} & v_{dt} &\sim N(0, 0.75) & t &= -48, \dots, 1, \dots, T & d_{-49} &= 0 \\ v_{it} &= \rho_{vi} v_{i,t-1} + v_{it} & v_{it} &\sim N(0, (1 - \rho_{vi}^2)) & t &= -48, \dots, 1, \dots, T & v_{i,-49} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\rho_{vi} \sim U[0.05, 0.95]$. The common factors are nonstationary processes

$$\begin{aligned} f_{jt} &= \mu_j + f_{j,t-1} + v_{ft} & j &= 1, 2, 3 & v_{ft} &\sim N(0, 1) & t &= -49, \dots, 1, \dots, T & (9) \\ \mu_j^a &= \{0.01, 0.008, 0.005\}, \mu_j^m = \{0.015, 0.012, 0.01\} & f_{j,-50} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where we deviate from the Kapetanios et al. (2011) setup by including drift terms. Unless indicated the sets of common factors differ between sectors.

Innovations to y are generated as a mix of heterogeneous AR(1) and MA(1) errors

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{it} &= \rho_{i\varepsilon} \varepsilon_{i,t-1} + \sigma_i \sqrt{1 - \rho_{i\varepsilon}^2} \omega_{it} & i &= 1, \dots, N_1 & t &= -48, \dots, 0, \dots, T \\ \varepsilon_{it} &= \frac{\sigma_i}{\sqrt{1 + \theta_{i\varepsilon}^2}} (\omega_{it} + \theta_{i\varepsilon} \omega_{i,t-1}) & i &= N_1 + 1, \dots, N & t &= -48, \dots, 0, \dots, T \end{aligned}$$

where N_1 is the nearest integer to $N/2$ and $\omega_{it} \sim N(0, 1)$, $\sigma_i^2 \sim U[0.5, 1.5]$, $\rho_{i\varepsilon} \sim U[0.05, 0.95]$, and $\theta_{i\varepsilon} \sim U[0, 1]$. ρ_{vi} , $\rho_{i\varepsilon}$, $\theta_{i\varepsilon}$ and σ_i do not change across replications. Initial values are set to zero and the first 50 observations are discarded for all of the above.

Regarding parameter values, $\alpha_i \sim N(2, 1)$ and $a_{i1}, a_{i2} \sim \text{iid}N(0.5, 0.5)$ do not change across replications. To begin with TFP levels α_i are specified to be the same across sectors. The slope coefficient β can vary across countries and across sectors (see below). In case of cross-country heterogeneity we have $\beta_i = \beta + \eta_i$ with $\eta_i \sim N(0, 0.04)$. If the mean of the slope coefficient β is the same across sectors we specify $\beta = 0.5$, otherwise $\beta^a = 0.5$ and $\beta^m = 0.3$ for agriculture and manufacturing respectively.

For the factor loadings may be heterogeneous and are distributed

$$\lambda_{i1}^x \sim N(0.5, 0.5) \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{i3}^x \sim N(0.5, 0.5) \quad (10)$$

$$\lambda_{i1}^y \sim N(1, 0.2) \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{i2}^y \sim N(1, 0.2) \quad (11)$$

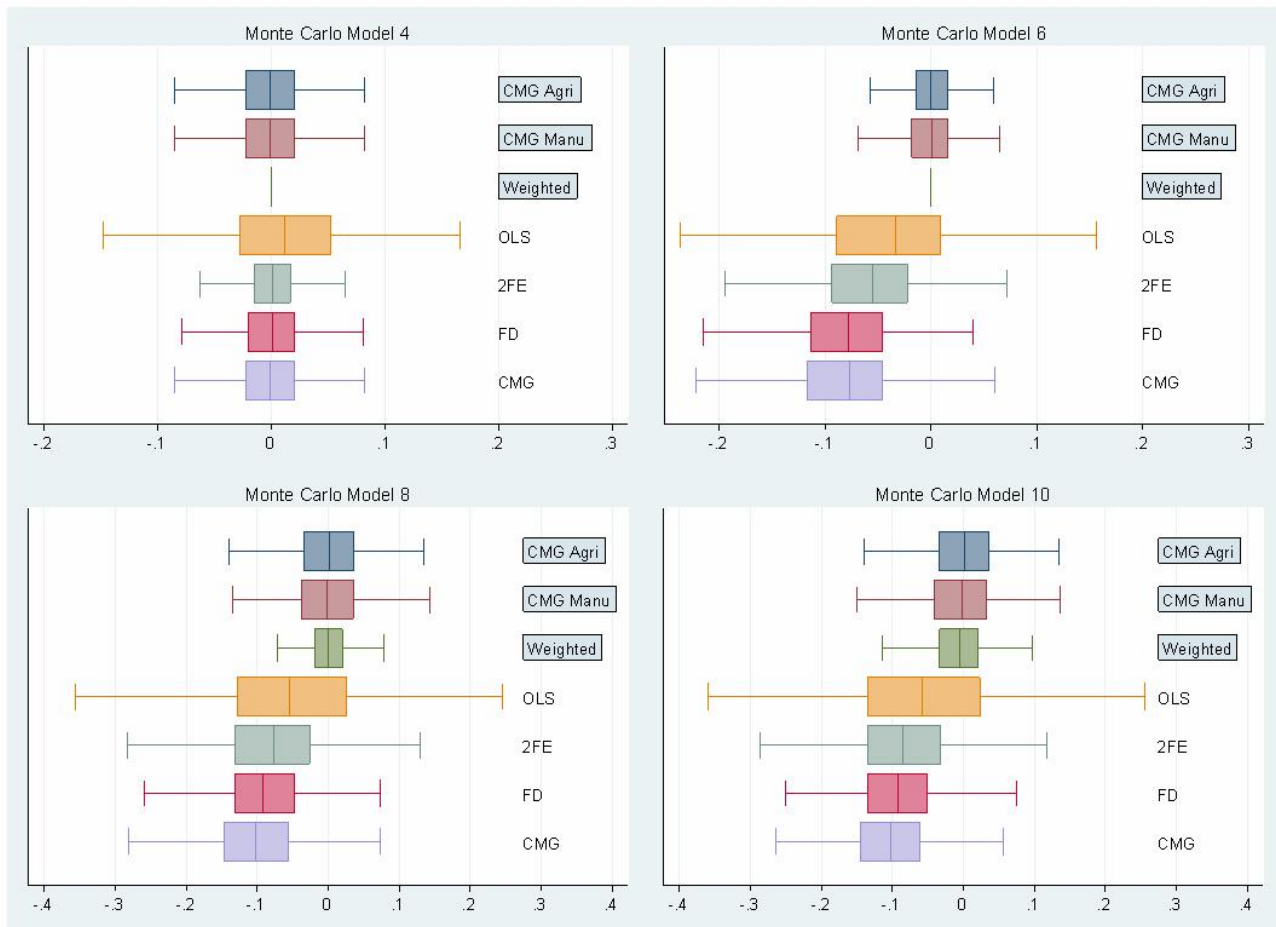
The above represents our basis DGP for the simulations carried out. We investigate the following ten models (the focus of the main text is on those marked with stars):

- (1) Cross-country homogeneity (β) and no factors. We set all λ_i to zero such that x and y are stationary and cross-sectionally independent; technology is the same across countries and sectors.
- (2) As Model (1) but now we have heterogeneous β across countries.
- (3) As Model (2) but with substantially larger heterogeneity in TFP levels across countries.
- (4) ★ As Model (2) but with TFP levels in manufacturing are now 1.5 times those in agriculture. We keep this feature for the remainder of setups.
- (5) This sees the introduction of common factors (f_{2t} and f_{3t}) albeit with homogeneous factor loadings across countries. Both factors and loadings are independent across sectors. The absence of f_{1t} means there is no endogeneity problem.
- (6) ★ As Model (5) but now we have factor loading heterogeneity across countries.
- (7) As Model (6) but with factor-overlap between x and y equations: f_{1t} is contained in both of these, inducing endogeneity in a sectoral regression.
- (8) ★ As Model (7) but slope coefficients now differ across countries and sectors — for the latter we specify $\beta_i^m = 1 - \beta_i^a$.
- (9) As Model (8) except we now have independent slope coefficients across sectors with means $\beta^m = 0.3$ and $\beta^a = 0.5$.
- (10) ★ As Model (9) but we now have the same factor f_{1t} contained in y and x -equations of both sectors, although with differential (and independent) factor loadings.

Models (1) to (4) analyse a homogeneous parameter world without common factors, where aggregation should lead to no problems for estimation. Models (5) to (7) show what happens when factors are introduced. Models (8) and (9) introduce parameter heterogeneity across sectors and Model (10) adds factor-overlap between sectors (on top of overlap across variables within sector).

TA-4 Monte Carlo simulations: overview of results

Figure TA-I: Box plots — Simulation results



Notes: We present box plots for the $M = 1,000$ estimates using various estimators under 4 DGP setups. In all cases the true coefficient is subtracted from the estimates, such that the plots are centred around zero.

The estimators are as follows: ‘CMG Agri’ and ‘CMG Manu’ — Pesaran (2006) CMG regressions on the *sector-level* data; Weighted — this is *not* an estimator but the weighted average $\beta^a s_i^a + \beta^m s_i^m$ with β^j the mean sectoral slope coefficient and s_j the sectoral share of total output; the remaining four estimators use the aggregated data: OLS — pooled OLS with $T - 1$ year dummies; 2FE — OLS with country and time dummies; FD — OLS with variables in first differences (incl. time dummies); CMG — Pesaran (2006) CMG. We omit the results for the Pesaran and Smith (1995) MG estimator as these are very imprecise and would counter the readability of the graphs. The MC setups are described in detail in Section TA-3 of the Appendix.

TA-5 Monte Carlo simulations: detailed results

Table TA-III: Simulation results

	MODEL 1					MODEL 2			
	mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b		mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b
CMG Agri	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG Agri	0.5007	0.4996	0.0425	0.0424
CMG Manu	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG Manu	0.5007	0.4996	0.0425	0.0424
Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000		Weighted	0.5007	0.4998	0.0289	
POLS	0.5054	0.5064	0.0462	0.0298	POLS	0.5058	0.5065	0.0572	0.0304
2FE	0.5002	0.5005	0.0248	0.0226	2FE	0.5014	0.5007	0.0392	0.0232
FD	0.5000	0.5007	0.0295	0.0257	FD	0.5014	0.5014	0.0441	0.0262
CCEP	0.4996	0.4997	0.0292	0.0271	CCEP	0.5008	0.5001	0.0424	0.0276
MG	0.4993	0.4987	0.0276	0.0283	MG	0.5001	0.4993	0.0389	0.0399
CMG	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG	0.5007	0.4996	0.0425	0.0424
	MODEL 3					MODEL 4			
	mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b		mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b
CMG Agri	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG Agri	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324
CMG Manu	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG Manu	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324
Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000		Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000	
POLS	0.5310	0.5280	0.1968	0.1128	POLS	0.5119	0.5112	0.0593	0.0365
2FE	0.5002	0.5005	0.0248	0.0226	2FE	0.5002	0.5005	0.0248	0.0226
FD	0.5000	0.5007	0.0295	0.0257	FD	0.5000	0.5007	0.0295	0.0257
CCEP	0.4996	0.4997	0.0292	0.0271	CCEP	0.4996	0.4997	0.0292	0.0271
MG	0.4993	0.4987	0.0276	0.0283	MG	0.4993	0.4987	0.0276	0.0283
CMG	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324	CMG	0.4999	0.4990	0.0318	0.0324
	MODEL 5					MODEL 6			
	mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b		mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b
CMG Agri	0.4993	0.4987	0.0299	0.0298	CMG Agri	0.5005	0.5002	0.0238	0.0233
CMG Manu	0.5000	0.5014	0.0311	0.0321	CMG Manu	0.4994	0.5004	0.0253	0.0246
Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000		Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000	
POLS	0.4936	0.4936	0.0753	0.0432	POLS	0.4558	0.4669	0.1059	0.0197
2FE	0.4563	0.4571	0.0331	0.0266	2FE	0.4382	0.4450	0.0588	0.0176
FD	0.4427	0.4416	0.0418	0.0268	FD	0.4181	0.4224	0.0517	0.0219
CCEP	0.4516	0.4502	0.0327	0.0278	CCEP	0.4231	0.4326	0.0522	0.0186
MG	0.4663	0.4687	0.3257	0.0369	MG	0.4305	0.4333	0.1816	0.0496
CMG	0.4498	0.4497	0.0362	0.0379	CMG	0.4161	0.4226	0.0516	0.0342
	MODEL 7					MODEL 8			
	mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b		mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b
CMG Agri	0.5000	0.4998	0.0448	0.0436	CMG Agri	0.5009	0.5020	0.0528	0.0520
CMG Manu	0.4979	0.4972	0.0454	0.0445	CMG Manu	0.4986	0.4978	0.0550	0.0528
Weighted	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000		Weighted	0.5007	0.4998	0.0289	
POLS	0.4405	0.4469	0.1212	0.0236	POLS	0.4459	0.4452	0.1299	0.0248
2FE	0.4143	0.4161	0.0700	0.0210	2FE	0.4217	0.4234	0.0807	0.0220
FD	0.4027	0.4011	0.0541	0.0238	FD	0.4106	0.4073	0.0635	0.0245
CCEP	0.3956	0.3987	0.0619	0.0227	CCEP	0.4040	0.4047	0.0702	0.0233
MG	0.6759	0.6585	0.2510	0.0782	MG	0.6826	0.6644	0.2532	0.0828
CMG	0.3897	0.3928	0.0584	0.0496	CMG	0.3985	0.3976	0.0650	0.0560
	MODEL 9					MODEL 10			
	mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b		mean	median	ste ^a	ste ^b
CMG Agri	0.5009	0.5020	0.0528	0.0520	CMG Agri	0.5009	0.5020	0.0528	0.0520
CMG Manu	0.2961	0.2972	0.0543	0.0526	CMG Manu	0.2961	0.2972	0.0543	0.0526
Weighted	0.3924	0.3928	0.0391		Weighted	0.3939	0.3946	0.0391	
POLS	0.3383	0.3388	0.1324	0.0246	POLS	0.3400	0.3415	0.1322	0.0246
2FE	0.3151	0.3127	0.0814	0.0217	2FE	0.3163	0.3144	0.0816	0.0217
FD	0.3074	0.3053	0.0625	0.0242	FD	0.3086	0.3071	0.0626	0.0242
CCEP	0.2963	0.2973	0.0666	0.0229	CCEP	0.2976	0.2986	0.0667	0.0229
MG	0.5793	0.5562	0.2558	0.0814	MG	0.5796	0.5561	0.2558	0.0815
CMG	0.2956	0.2962	0.0625	0.0543	CMG	0.2970	0.2976	0.0627	0.0544

Notes: See Section TA-3 in the Appendix for details on the estimators and the DGP in each of the experiments. ste^a marks the empirical standard error and ste^b the mean standard error from 1,000 replications. ‘CMG Agri’ and ‘CMG Manu’ employ the sector-level data, ‘Weighted’ calculates the aggregate slope coefficient based on the size (output) and slope of the respective sector, the remaining six estimators use the aggregated data.

TA-6 Additional tables and figures

Table TA-IV: Pooled regression models (HC-augmented)

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE										
	Agriculture					Manufacturing				
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] CCEP ^b	[5] FD	[6] POLS	[7] 2FE	[8] CCEP	[9] CCEP ^b	[10] FD
log labour	-0.079 [11.71]**	-0.151 [4.35]**	-0.457 [1.54]	-0.557 [1.46]	-0.085 [1.46]	0.005 [0.62]	0.029 [0.88]	0.121 [1.91]	-0.048 [0.47]	0.162 [4.62]**
log capital pw	0.471 [61.84]**	0.671 [27.20]**	0.554 [4.51]**	0.676 [4.32]**	0.595 [12.60]**	0.692 [44.38]**	0.851 [22.14]**	0.533 [8.00]**	0.446 [4.52]**	0.654 [14.56]**
log land pw	0.018 [1.17]	-0.020 [0.48]	-0.154 [0.56]	-0.174 [0.50]	0.111 [1.14]					
Education	0.241 [9.95]**	0.087 [3.12]**	0.007 [0.07]	-0.068 [0.40]	0.101 [1.30]	0.226 [11.91]**	-0.006 [0.21]	0.152 [2.04]*	-0.017 [0.16]	0.095 [1.53]
Education ²	-0.010 [4.73]**	-0.007 [4.15]**	-0.003 [0.49]	0.005 [0.50]	-0.006 [1.23]	-0.009 [6.22]**	0.002 [1.39]	-0.006 [1.32]	-0.004 [0.66]	-0.005 [1.10]
Implied RS [†]	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	IRS	CRS	CRS	CRS		IRS
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	0.529	0.329	0.446	0.324	0.321	0.308	0.149	0.467		0.508
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(1)/I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.11	0.09	0.14	0.21	0.00	0.87	0.18	0.58	0.84	0.00
Mean Education	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.94	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.94
Returns to Edu	13.3%	0.7%	-2.9%	-0.7%	3.0%	12.3%	1.9%	8.5%	-6.6%	4.1%
[t -statistic] ^b	[15.71]**	[0.50]	[0.68]	[0.11]	[0.78]	[19.88]**	[1.30]	[3.11]**	[1.56]	[1.54]
R-squared	0.91	0.57	1.00	1.00	-	0.91	0.57	1.00	1.00	-
Observations	830	830	830	775	793	860	860	860	775	817

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED										
	Agriculture					Manufacturing				
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] CCEP ^b	[5] FD	[6] POLS	[7] 2FE	[8] CCEP	[9] CCEP ^b	[10] FD
log capital pw	0.502 [59.09]**	0.720 [33.18]**	0.592 [5.32]**	0.709 [5.08]**	0.611 [13.29]**	0.695 [49.18]**	0.839 [24.30]**	0.472 [8.87]**	0.463 [5.59]**	0.558 [13.85]**
log land pw	0.014 [0.71]	0.078 [2.23]*	0.144 [0.99]	0.122 [0.69]	0.124 [1.27]					
Education	0.278 [11.54]**	0.069 [2.48]*	-0.003 [0.03]	-0.031 [0.23]	0.107 [1.38]	0.226 [11.80]**	0.014 [0.71]	0.234 [3.67]**	0.036 [0.38]	0.220 [3.91]**
Education ²	-0.012 [6.17]**	-0.005 [3.19]**	0.000 [0.06]	0.002 [0.28]	-0.006 [1.26]	-0.009 [6.11]**	0.001 [0.98]	-0.010 [2.55]*	-0.007 [1.22]	-0.010 [2.41]*
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	0.498	0.202	0.408	0.291	0.389	0.305	0.162	0.528	0.537	0.443
Mean Education	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.94	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.94
Returns to Edu	13.9%	0.8%	-0.7%	-0.3%	3.4%	12.3%	2.7%	11.7%	-4.3%	10.5%
[t -statistic] [♠]	[16.25]**	[0.52]	[0.18]	[0.07]	[0.90]	[20.20]**	[2.30]*	[5.25]**	[1.18]	[4.62]**
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(1)/I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(1)/I(0)	I(0)
CD test p -value [‡]	0.29	0.23	0.07	0.23	0.00	0.88	0.04	0.08	0.02	0.00
R-squared	0.91	0.57	1.00	1.00	-	0.91	0.57	1.00	1.00	-
Observations	830	830	830	775	793	860	860	860	775	817

Notes: We include our proxy for education in levels and as a squared term. Returns to Education are computed from the sample mean (\bar{E}) as $\beta_E + 2\beta_{E^2}\bar{E}$ where β_E and β_{E^2} are the coefficients on the levels and squared education terms respectively. ♠ computed via the delta-method. For more details see Notes of Table 1 of the main text.

Table TA-V: Heterogeneous Manufacturing models (HC-augmented)

	PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED			PANEL (B): CRS IMPOSED		
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] MG	[5] FDMG	[6] CMG
log labour	-0.305 [1.20]	-0.293 [1.50]	0.097 [0.62]			
log capital pw	0.059 [0.22]	0.144 [0.74]	0.426 [3.73]**	0.352 [3.25]**	0.347 [3.66]**	0.386 [3.95]**
Education	-0.478 [1.02]	0.237 [0.81]	1.248 [2.66]*	-0.228 [0.62]	0.085 [0.29]	0.668 [2.43]*
Education squared	0.050 [1.38]	0.011 [0.35]	-0.098 [2.67]*	0.005 [0.13]	-0.019 [0.67]	-0.042 [1.95]
country trend/drift	0.016 [1.55]	0.020 [2.44]*		0.008 [1.16]	0.013 [2.23]*	
reject CRS (10%)	38%	8%	38%			
Implied β_L^\ddagger	n/a	0.857	0.574	0.648	0.653	0.614
Mean Education	5.82	5.91	5.82	5.87	5.94	5.87
Returns to Edu	-6.3%	-1.3%	10.9%	-6.2%	-2.1%	11.9%
[t -statistic] ^b	[1.01]	[0.25]	[1.89]	[1.00]	[0.47]	[1.70]
panel- t Labour	4.49**	-2.51*	1.81			
panel- t Capital	0.30	-0.25	8.62**	7.52**	5.48**	10.19**
panel- t Edu	2.08*	0.93	3.58**	3.08**	0.88	3.38**
panel- t Edu ²	1.93	-0.91	3.31**	2.47*	0.97	2.67**
panel- t trend/drift	12.59**	6.41**		13.89	7.05	
sign. trends (10%)	15	9		17	7	
\hat{e} integrated [§]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
abs correl. coeff.	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22
CD-test (p) [¶]	0.00	0.00	0.71	0.00	0.00	0.27
Obs (N)	775 (37)	732 (37)	775 (37)	775 (37)	732 (37)	775 (37)

Notes: All averaged coefficients presented are robust means across i . ^b The returns to education and associated t -statistics are based on a two-step procedure: first the country-specific mean education value (\bar{E}_i) is used to compute $\beta_{i,E} + 2\beta_{i,E^2}\bar{E}_i$ to yield the country-specific returns to education. The reported value then represents the robust mean of these N country estimates, s.t. the t -statistic should be interpreted in the same fashion as that for the regressors, namely as a test whether the average parameter is statistically different from zero, following Pesaran and Smith (1995). For other details see Notes for Tables 2 (main text) and TA-IV above.

Table TA-VI: Aggregate & PWT data: Pooled models (HC-augmented)

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS								
	Aggregated data				Penn World Table data			
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] FD	[5] POLS	[6] 2FE	[7] CCEP	[8] FD
log labour	-0.001 [0.14]	-0.058 [1.97]*	0.566 [4.13]**	0.083 [2.50]*	0.040 [8.99]**	-0.064 [3.27]**	-0.193 [1.49]	-0.032 [1.11]
log capital pw	0.662 [97.95]**	0.782 [31.50]**	0.677 [7.25]**	0.766 [25.24]**	0.725 [72.79]**	0.680 [24.79]**	0.601 [9.12]**	0.676 [18.96]**
Education	0.243 [16.97]**	-0.004 [0.15]	0.086 [1.24]	0.065 [1.22]	0.041 [3.42]**	0.043 [2.86]**	0.032 [0.80]	0.103 [3.41]**
Education squared	-0.010 [8.05]**	0.003 [1.82]	-0.007 [1.57]	-0.003 [0.77]	-0.001 [1.77]	-0.002 [2.97]**	-0.002 [0.83]	-0.006 [2.94]**
Implied RS [†]	CRS	DRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	DRS	CRS	CRS
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	0.337	0.160	0.890	0.318	0.315	0.256	0.206	0.292
Mean Education	5.824	5.824	5.824	5.885	5.822	5.822	5.822	5.883
Returns to Edu	12.9%	2.5%	1.0%	3.4%	2.4%	1.9%	0.9%	3.3%
[<i>t</i> -statistic] ^b	[22.35]**	[1.68]	[0.37]	[1.40]	[6.82]**	[2.02]*	[0.56]	[2.26]*
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(1)/I(0)
CD test <i>p</i> -value [‡]	0.00	0.02	0.59	0.00	0.34	0.22	0.01	0.00
R-squared	0.98	0.87	1.00	-	0.97	0.78	1.00	-
Observations	775	775	775	732	769	769	769	726

PANEL (B): CONSTANT RETURNS TO SCALE IMPOSED								
	Aggregated data				Penn World Table data			
	[1] POLS	[2] 2FE	[3] CCEP	[4] FD	[5] POLS	[6] 2FE	[7] CCEP	[8] FD
log capital pw	0.662 [102.10]**	0.798 [35.45]**	0.485 [7.03]**	0.744 [25.48]**	0.694 [73.08]**	0.706 [27.73]**	0.611 [10.05]**	0.691 [21.13]**
Education	0.243 [16.98]**	-0.016 [0.62]	0.210 [3.00]**	0.111 [2.21]*	0.043 [3.30]**	0.037 [2.44]*	0.016 [0.48]	0.092 [3.22]**
Education squared	-0.010 [8.17]**	0.004 [2.75]**	-0.013 [2.92]**	-0.005 [1.37]	-0.001 [0.97]	-0.002 [2.12]*	-0.002 [0.95]	-0.006 [2.79]**
Constant	1.586 [21.62]**				1.843 [20.44]**			
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	0.338	0.203	0.515	0.256	0.306	0.294	0.390	0.309
Mean Education	5.824	5.824	5.824	5.885	5.822	5.824	5.824	5.883
Returns to Edu	12.9%	2.6%	6.5%	5.8%	3.3%	2.0%	-0.6%	2.7%
[<i>t</i> -statistic] ^b	[22.41]**	[1.68]	[2.56]**	[2.56]**	[8.62]**	[1.99]*	[0.42]	[1.98]*
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)	I(1)	I(1)	I(0)	I(0)
CD test <i>p</i> -value [‡]	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.25	0.57	0.02	0.00
R-squared	0.98	0.86	1.00		0.97	0.78	1.00	
Observations	775	775	775	732	769	769	769	726

Notes: We include our proxy for education in levels and as a squared term. Returns to Education are computed from the sample mean (\bar{E}) as $\beta_E + 2\beta_{E^2}\bar{E}$ where β_E and β_{E^2} are the coefficients on the levels and squared education terms respectively. ^b computed via the delta-method. For more details see Notes for Tables 3 (in the main text) and (for the education variables) TA-IV above.

Table TA-VII: Aggregate & PWT data: Heterogeneous models with HC

PANEL (A): UNRESTRICTED RETURNS TO SCALE						
	Aggregated data			Penn World Table data		
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] MG	[5] FDMG	[6] CMG
log labour	-0.066 [0.16]	0.269 [0.57]	-0.428 [1.22]	-1.609 [1.97]	-2.478 [3.76]**	-1.324 [2.79]**
log capital pw	-0.070 [0.26]	-0.021 [0.07]	0.453 [2.47]*	0.963 [4.44]**	1.245 [5.99]**	1.122 [5.52]**
Education	0.601 [1.29]	0.637 [1.75]	0.489 [0.98]	0.123 [0.52]	0.004 [0.02]	-0.012 [0.05]
Education squared	-0.089 [1.76]	-0.065 [1.70]	-0.063 [1.48]	-0.002 [0.11]	0.004 [0.25]	-0.001 [0.03]
country trend/drift	0.005 [0.33]	0.005 [0.29]		0.021 [2.25]*	0.008 [0.77]	
Mean Education	5.72	5.84	5.72	5.72	5.84	5.72
Returns to edu	-7.1%	-3.2%	-11.1%	-4.5%	0.5%	1.3%
[<i>t</i> -statistic] ^b	[1.33]	[0.65]	[1.24]	[1.33]	[0.18]	[0.43]
Implied RS [†]	CRS	CRS	CRS	CRS	DRS	DRS
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	n/a	n/a	0.547	n/a	n/a	n/a
reject CRS (10%)	38%	3%	19%	38%	18%	33%
panel- <i>t</i> Labour	-1.77	0.16	-1.42	-6.37**	-5.60**	-7.30**
panel- <i>t</i> Capital	0.58	0.94	2.79**	15.62**	13.48**	14.39**
panel- <i>t</i> Edu	0.26	1.21	0.86	0.89	0.23	0.68
panel- <i>t</i> Edu ²	-1.07	-1.87	-1.26	-1.55	-0.35	-0.72
panel- <i>t</i> trends	14.73**	10.93**		11.09**	5.83**	
# sign. trends	18	13		18	4	
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
abs correl.coeff.	0.24	0.24	0.22	0.23	0.24	0.22
CD-test (<i>p</i>) [‡]	7.23(.00)	7.88(.00)	-0.50(.61)	7.59(.00)	9.29(.00)	0.98(.33)

PANEL (B): CRS IMPOSED						
	Aggregated data			Penn World Table data		
	[1] MG	[2] FDMG	[3] CMG	[4] MG	[5] FDMG	[6] CMG
log capital pw	0.093 [0.49]	0.151 [0.90]	0.528 [4.90]**	0.779 [5.75]**	1.052 [6.43]**	0.906 [5.86]**
Education	0.075 [0.18]	0.260 [0.99]	0.683 [1.73]	-0.215 [1.25]	-0.134 [0.84]	0.089 [0.42]
Education squared	-0.023 [0.65]	-0.023 [0.89]	-0.075 [1.57]	0.013 [0.82]	0.014 [1.13]	-0.023 [1.16]
country trend/drift	0.017 [1.96]	0.015 [1.33]		-0.001 [0.21]	-0.010 [2.08]*	
Implied β_L^{\ddagger}	n/a	n/a	0.472	0.221	n/a	0.094
Mean Education	5.79	5.84	5.79	5.79	5.84	5.79
Returns to edu	-9.3%	-4.0%	3.2%	-1.4%	0.3%	-0.2%
[<i>t</i> -statistic] ^b	-1.34	-0.88	0.50	0.50	0.16	0.05
panel- <i>t</i> Capital	2.96**	1.84	7.63**	16.24**	11.99**	15.70**
panel- <i>t</i> Edu	-2.05*	1.97*	3.78**	-1.80	-1.23	0.74
panel- <i>t</i> Edu ²	0.79	-2.77**	-3.83**	1.20	0.96	-1.11
panel- <i>t</i> trends	15.65**	12.21**		11.57**	7.84**	
# sign. trends	15	13		15	14	
$\hat{\varepsilon}$ integrated [‡]	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)	I(0)
abs correl.coeff.	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.26	0.24	0.22
CD-test (<i>p</i>) [‡]	8.05(.00)	8.59(.00)	0.11(.92)	9.75(.00)	10.84(.00)	3.12(.00)

Notes: All averaged coefficients presented are robust means across *i*. ^b The returns to education and associated *t*-statistics are based on a two-step procedure: first the country-specific mean education value (\bar{E}_i) is used to compute $\beta_{i,E} + 2\beta_{i,E^2}\bar{E}_i$ to yield the country-specific returns to education. The reported value then represents the robust mean of these *N* country estimates, s.t. the *t*-statistic should be interpreted in the same fashion as that for the regressors, namely as a test whether the average parameter is statistically different from zero, following Pesaran and Smith (1995). For other details see Notes for Tables 2 (in the main text) and TA-V above.

Table TA-VIII: Alternative dynamic panel estimators

PANEL (A): AGRICULTURE												
	Dynamic FE			PMG				CPMG*			DGMM	SGMM
	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]
EC [y_{t-1}]	-0.293 [11.80]**	-0.312 [12.43]**	-0.300 [11.91]**	-0.460 [10.63]**	-0.459 [9.34]**	-0.624 [14.29]**	-0.466 [10.44]**	-0.482 [10.06]**	-0.503 [9.74]**	-0.455 [9.34]**	-1.087 [2.60]**	-0.432 [5.38]**
capital pw	0.672 [12.47]**	0.684 [12.69]**	0.582 [7.50]**	0.652 [20.16]**	0.714 [18.52]**	0.036 [0.57]	0.132 [3.01]**	0.501 [10.78]**	0.464 [11.05]**	0.530 [10.83]**	1.135 [2.85]**	0.776 [12.59]**
land pw	0.124 [1.30]	0.121 [1.29]	0.135 [1.45]	0.136 [2.90]**	0.367 [6.43]**	0.867 [8.27]**	0.361 [8.05]**	0.247 [5.03]**	0.494 [8.95]**	0.228 [4.73]**	0.083 [0.35]	-0.247 [1.17]
trend(s)†			0.001 [1.59]			0.008 [3.36]**	0.012 [12.26]**					
Constant	0.667 [5.03]**	0.679 [4.75]**	0.896 [4.58]**	1.072 [10.48]**	0.644 [7.53]**	4.273 [13.11]**	3.084 [10.27]**	1.545 [10.38]**	1.402 [9.69]**	1.298 [9.94]**		0.714 [4.21]**
lags [trends]‡	1	2	1 [1-r]	1	2	1 [s-r]	1 [1-r]	1	2	1	i: 2-3	i: 2-3
impl. labour	0.328	0.316	0.418	0.212	-0.081	0.098	0.507	0.253	0.042	0.242	-0.135	0.224
obs	894	857	894	894	857	894	894	894	857	872	857	894

PANEL (B): MANUFACTURING												
	Dynamic FE			PMG				CPMG*			DGMM	SGMM
	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]
EC [y_{t-1}]	-0.196 [9.40]**	-0.195 [9.16]**	-0.195 [9.31]**	-0.219 [6.59]**	-0.181 [5.97]**	-0.543 [4.04]**	-0.214 [4.13]**	-0.245 [7.16]**	-0.194 [6.45]**	-0.272 [7.33]**	-2.196 [0.72]	-0.041 [0.65]
capital pw	0.711 [12.96]**	0.708 [12.34]**	0.637 [6.85]**	1.016 [29.64]**	1.044 [33.09]**	0.298 [5.34]**	1.379 [26.80]**	0.598 [11.58]**	1.264 [22.28]**	0.505 [9.47]**	1.866 [3.25]**	-1.515 [0.40]
trend(s)†			0.001 [1.00]			0.001 [0.24]	-0.010 [6.77]**					
Constant	0.452 [3.87]**	0.456 [3.73]**	0.588 [3.29]**	-0.212 [5.43]**	-0.228 [4.95]**	3.493 [3.87]**	-0.977 [4.18]**	0.225 [5.68]**	-0.434 [5.77]**	0.372 [6.48]**		1.042 [1.80]
lags [trends]‡	1	2	1 [1-r]	1	2	1 [s-r]	1 [1-r]	1	2	1	i: 2-3	i: 2-3
impl. labour	0.289	0.292	0.363	-0.016	-0.044	0.702	-0.379	0.402	-0.264	0.495	-0.866	2.515
obs	902	880	902	902	880	902	902	902	880	879	880	902

PANEL (C): AGGREGATED DATA												
	Dynamic FE			PMG				CPMG*			DGMM	SGMM
	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]
EC [y_{t-1}]	-0.172 [8.59]**	-0.176 [8.39]**	-0.173 [8.59]**	-0.279 [6.89]**	-0.277 [7.25]**	-0.429 [9.55]**	-0.284 [6.72]**	-0.292 [6.98]**	-0.294 [7.38]**	-0.317 [7.48]**	-0.380 [0.71]	-0.243 [4.21]**
capital pw	0.705 [15.25]**	0.709 [14.65]**	0.668 [8.17]**	0.974 [36.86]**	1.015 [37.38]**	0.128 [1.90]	0.899 [21.11]**	0.891 [24.84]**	0.949 [24.92]**	0.905 [27.54]**	0.271 [0.27]	0.896 [22.80]**
trend(s)†			0.000 [0.54]			0.011 [6.07]**	0.004 [2.42]*					
Constant	0.390 [4.96]**	0.393 [4.62]**	0.446 [3.42]**	-0.100 [3.73]**	-0.200 [5.18]**	3.061 [9.30]**	0.082 [4.20]**	-0.062 [2.53]*	-0.169 [4.97]**	-0.145 [4.58]**		0.120 [1.44]
lags [trends]‡	1	2	1 [1-r]	1	2	1 [s-r]	1 [1-r]	1	2	1	i: 2-3	i: 2-3
impl. labour	0.295	0.292	0.332	0.026	-0.015	0.872	0.102	0.109	0.051	0.095	0.729	0.104
obs	879	836	879	879	836	879	879	879	836	879	836	879

PANEL (D): PENN WORLD TABLE DATA												
	Dynamic FE			PMG				CPMG*			DGMM	SGMM
	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]
EC [y_{t-1}]	-0.098 [5.82]**	-0.101 [6.01]**	-0.107 [6.22]**	-0.333 [6.70]**	-0.138 [4.37]**	-0.567 [12.63]**	-0.392 [7.88]**	-0.338 [6.63]**	-0.081 [2.56]*	-0.347 [8.24]**	0.835 [1.07]	0.031 [0.49]
capital pw	0.538 [8.14]**	0.553 [8.66]**	0.356 [3.44]**	0.923 [130.34]**	0.916 [71.72]**	0.698 [65.10]**	0.652 [67.96]**	0.903 [52.90]**	-0.125 [1.81]	0.731 [86.83]**	0.604 [0.60]	0.863 [1.88]
trend(s)†			0.001 [2.44]*			0.002 [2.57]*	0.006 [19.84]**					
Constant	0.363 [5.38]**	0.360 [5.29]**	0.567 [5.28]**	-0.122 [4.44]**	-0.020 [1.63]	1.085 [13.05]**	0.935 [7.79]**	-0.071 [3.47]**	0.456 [2.99]**	0.504 [8.29]**		0.010 [0.07]
lags [trends]‡	1	2	1 [1-r]	1	2	1 [s-r]	1 [1-r]	1	2	1	i: 2-3	i: 2-3
impl. labour	0.462	0.447	0.645	0.077	0.084	0.302	0.349	0.097	1.125	0.270	0.396	0.137
obs	914	904	914	914	904	914	914	914	904	873	904	914

Notes: We report the long-run coefficients on capital per worker (and in the agriculture equations also land per worker). EC [y_{t-1}] refers to the Error-Correction term (speed of adjustment parameter) with the exception of Models [11] and [12], where we report the coefficient on y_{t-1} — conceptually, these are the same, however in the latter we do not impose common factor restrictions like in all of the former models. Note that in the PMG and CPMG models the ECM term is heterogeneous across countries, while in the Dynamic FE and GMM models these are common across i . † In model [6] we include *heterogeneous* trend terms, whereas in [7] a *common* trend is assumed (i.e. linear TFP is part of cointegrating vector). ‡ ‘lags’ indicates the lag-length of first differenced RHS variables included, with the exception of Models [11] and [12]: here ‘i:’ refers to the lags (levels in [11], levels and differences in [12]) used as instruments. * In the models in [8] and [9] the cross-section averages are only included for the long-run variables, whereas in the model in [10] cross-section averages for the first-differenced dependent and independent variables (short-run) are also included. Note that in the agriculture equation for Model [10] we drop CRI ($n = 7$) as otherwise no convergence would occur.