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ABSTRACT

Examining the relationship between factor endowments and production patterns using international and Japanese regional data, we provide the first empirical confirmation of Ethier's correlation approach to the Rybczynski theorem. Moreover, we find evidence of substantial production indeterminacy. Prediction errors are six to thirty times larger for goods traded relatively freely. A compelling explanation of this phenomenon is the existence of more goods than factors in the presence of trade costs. This result implies that regressions of trade or output on endowments have weak theoretical foundations. Furthermore, since errors are largest in data sets where trade costs are small, we explain why the common methodology of imputing trade barriers from regression residuals often leads to backwards results.

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In fact, there are exactly 2,118 goods and 2,118 factors. You did know that, didn't you?
Edward Leamer (1984)

I. Introduction

Trade economists regularly build models in which the number of goods exceeds, equals, or is less than the number of factors. These seemingly innocuous variations in model structure have profound implications regarding the ability of general-equilibrium models to explain production patterns. In models where the number of goods exceeds the number of factors, output and hence trade flows can no longer be determined solely on the basis of a country's factor endowments. Indeed, it is precisely because of this potential indeterminacy of trade and production that many tests of the factor abundance theory have focused on the Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek (HOV) model. This formulation posits a relationship between factor endowments and the factor services that are embodied in goods trade. According to the HOV model, countries will export the services of relatively abundant factors and import the services of relatively scarce factors.

Though the HOV model generates precise predictions of trade in factor services, more often economists are interested in using factor endowments to estimate commodity trade flows. This task generally requires the existence of what we call the "factor-endowments-driven" (FED) model of production, which provides the foundation for a common, one-to-one mapping of factor endowments into outputs.¹ A necessary condition for this relationship to hold is the existence of an equal number of goods and factors. Consequently, the empirical literature has tended to rely implicitly or explicitly upon the "even case" or "square model," i.e., the implausible assumption that there are equal numbers of goods and factors. This assumption has troubled empirical trade economists, even though they often adopted it for convenience. As Leamer and Levinsohn (1995, p. 1363) remark in their survey of the empirical trade literature, "one rather awkward assumption

¹ By "common" we mean that the function linking outputs to endowments is the same across all countries and independent of factor endowments.

that cries out for change is that of equal numbers of commodities and factors. After all, we really don't know how to count either.”

While we agree that it is not possible to determine the number of goods and factors by counting them, we argue that the observed production patterns are consistent only with a world in which the number of goods exceeds the number of factors. Our claim is predicated on the following empirical prediction. Namely, if there are more goods than factors, then even in cases where the HOV model holds, it should not be possible to predict output on the basis of endowments—i.e., the FED model of production should fail. We implement this test on Japanese prefectural data, analyzing whether factor endowments determine the location of production or whether outputs are indeterminate. Even for this sample of Japanese regions in which the HOV model of production holds, we find that the FED model fails, as indicated by enormous indeterminacy in production patterns. This is the first empirical verification that production indeterminacy arising from the existence of more goods than factors is a major problem for predicting specialization.

Furthermore, we show that the estimated coefficients obtained from regressing output or trade on factor endowments, often called “Rybczynski derivatives,” are not linked to the underlying technology in the way required by theory. Therefore they cannot be interpreted as providing information about a structural relationship between output and factor endowments. This means that regressions of output or trade on factor endowments have weak theoretical foundations.

When we use an international data set, surprisingly much of the indeterminacy in the location of production disappears. That is, residuals from regressions of output on factor endowments are far larger for a data set of regions with negligible to low trade costs than for a data set of countries with presumably higher and more ubiquitous costs of trade. We interpret this finding as evidence in support of the hypothesis that trade costs help to render international production patterns determinate. However, the fact that the production patterns appear to be more predictable in the presence of trade costs undermines a major application of regressions of

trade on factor endowments: attempts to identify trade barriers on the basis of prediction errors from these regressions. Indeed, this phenomenon may explain the puzzle identified by Pritchett (1996), namely the significant *negative* correlations between conventional measures of protection and the estimated trade barriers derived from regressions of trade on factor endowments.

II. Background

The Heckscher-Ohlin-Samuelson model was originally formulated with two factors and two goods. In this simple 2×2 (two goods, two factors) world, it is easy to derive the major trade theorems (Factor Price Equalization, Rybczynski, Heckscher-Ohlin, and Stolper-Samuelson). Extensions of this model into multigood, multifactor versions are considerably more complicated, and even in the “square” $N \times N$ case, most of the strong results of the 2×2 model cannot be duplicated without exotic and often unrealistic assumptions on the structure of technology [see Ethier (1984)]. Nevertheless, the $N \times N$ model is analytically convenient, especially since in this case the effect of factor endowments on output (i.e., the Rybczynski derivatives or, equivalently, the Stolper-Samuelson effects) can be obtained by regressing output (or goods trade) on factor endowments.²

Economists have often conjectured, however, that there are more goods than factors [see, for example, Melvin (1968), Bhagwati (1972), Travis (1972), and Rader (1979)]. The reason is simple. One can easily imagine a myriad of different goods, but it is difficult to conceive of more than a handful of factors: several categories of labor, a few kinds of capital, various types of land, and several mineral and energy resources.³ Fortunately, the theoretical implications of having

²The Rybczynski derivatives are the result of first differentiating the revenue function with respect to price and second with respect to factor endowments. These derivatives relate how output moves when factor endowments change. The Stolper-Samuelson effects are simply the result of differentiating the revenue function with respect to factor endowments first and price second. These derivatives link wages and prices. Young’s theorem guarantees that the two sets of derivatives are the same.

³Of course, if factors are specific to industries, then the potential number of factors increases dramatically. Some canonical trade models are predicated upon a large number of factors, such as the pure exchange model, where all factors are sector-specific, or the Ricardo-Viner model, where there is one mobile factor in addition to sector-specific factors. But these models are not the subject of much empirical work, as Leamer and Levinsohn (1995, p. 1345) remark. Also, these models are usually thought to capture short-run behavior, and not the long-run determinants of comparative advantage.

more goods than factors are well-known. Ethier (1984) cites no fewer than nine works that deal with the issue, starting with Samuelson (1953).

Vanek (1968) examined extensions of the Heckscher-Ohlin model to cases in which there are more goods than factors.⁴ His main contribution was to demonstrate that it still was possible to obtain a version of the Heckscher-Ohlin theorem expressed in terms of trade in factor services: i.e., a country will be a net exporter of the services of factors in which it is relatively abundant. Unfortunately, in a world with more than two goods and factors, it becomes impossible to identify the factor intensity of industries and so the Rybczynski theorem and its corollary, the Heckscher-Ohlin theorem, can be expressed only as relationships between technology matrices, trade or output vectors, and factor endowment vectors. Still, as long as there are an equal number of goods and factors and the production techniques are common and independent, these theorems specify a unique mapping from factor endowments into output or trade.

With more goods than factors, however, most of the basic trade theorems no longer apply. The Factor Price Equalization theorem remains valid as long as endowments are not too dissimilar. Unfortunately, when there are more than two goods and factors, as Ethier (1984, p. 158) notes, “the strong Stolper-Samuleson property that commodity price changes produce unambiguous changes in all factor rewards runs into serious limitations,” and only a far weaker version of the Stolper-Samuelson theorem can be maintained. Most significant for our purposes, the existence of more goods than factors renders it impossible to achieve a common one-to-one mapping of endowments into outputs. Consequently, all attempts to predict trade flows on the basis of factor endowments have relied, at least implicitly, on the “square” assumption of equal numbers of goods and factors.

It is largely because of the fact that square models generate so many powerful results that these models hold a special place in international trade theory. Although many empirical papers have focused on the Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek (HOV) formulation of the model—which focuses on

⁴As Anderson (1981) points out, Travis (1964) also derived a similar result, but in the subsequent literature it has become commonly associated with Vanek's name.

trade in factor services rather than commodity trade—more often researchers have sought to generate estimates of trade or production on the basis of factor endowments, relying on what we call the “factor-endowments-driven” (FED) model of production.⁵ Three major users of this methodology are authors seeking to test trade models [e.g., Leamer (1984), Maskus (1991), Harrigan (1995), and Davis and Weinstein (1996)]; those attempting to identify trade barriers or industrial policy interventions [e.g., Saxonhouse (1983, 1986, 1989), Leamer (1988a, b), and Noland (1993)]; and consumers of the preceding literature, who employ their estimates of trade barriers in studies of trade policy and economic growth [e.g., Edwards (1992), Levine and Renelt (1992), and Gould and Gruben (1996)].

Many of these studies have tried to predict trade flows on the basis of factor endowments. However, Harrigan (1995) was the first to realize that one can estimate Heckscher-Ohlin-type relationships by focusing on production rather than trade.⁶ He examined whether the production patterns of 20 OECD countries could be predicted from their factor endowments. Using 16 years of annual data, he regressed 10 manufacturing sectors on seven factors. He found that differences in factor endowments accounted for much of the variation in output; however, expressed as a percent of actual production, the average prediction error was close to 40 percent. From this evidence Harrigan concluded that the factor-abundance production model had little explanatory power.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to identify in Harrigan’s work exactly why the fits were so poor. The theory is static and intended to explain cross-sectional variation, but Harrigan estimated it as a time series with country fixed effects. Consequently, his coefficient estimates are influenced by movements in technology which in general may be difficult to characterize. As Davis and Weinstein (1996) note, this makes it unclear whether the empirical failure described by

⁵See footnote 12 below for some examples of empirical investigations of the HOV equation.

⁶As Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) have noted, the intellectual capital of the HOV theory is staked on the production side. The Factor Price Equalization, Rybczynski, and Stolper-Samuelson theorems make no use of the consumption model at all, and the Heckscher-Ohlin theorem is basically a corollary to the Rybczynski theorem with the added assumption of identical homothetic preferences.

Harrigan is due to problems in the FED model of production itself or in the way in which the matrix of Rybczynski derivatives is constrained to vary across time.

The Harrigan study also raises the question of whether the FED model of production is inherently flawed because of a violation of a core assumption of the model, such as constant returns to scale or equal numbers of goods and factors, or whether there are problems in the data that prevent the model from fitting an international sample. Problems in the latter category include measurement error, missing factors, government policy, and the failure of factor price equalization in some of the countries in the sample.

The major insight in this paper is the recognition that by using Japanese prefectural data rather than cross-country data, we can substantially simplify the analysis and rule out most of the potential reasons why the FED production model might fail.⁷ We work with a set of regions for which there exists a technology matrix that accurately maps production into endowments. We can therefore largely rule out the possibility of failure due to scale economies, a lack of factor price equalization, measurement error, and government policy. Even in this best-case scenario, we find that the FED model of production performs miserably. This allows us to focus on two possible reasons for failure: missing factors and production indeterminacy arising from the existence of more goods than factors. Our inability to find additional factors that can help explain production patterns leads us to conclude that indeterminacy is the likely culprit.

Oddly enough, when we turn to international data which Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) found to be poorly described by the HOV model of production, we obtain significantly better fits from regressions of output on endowments. The fact that the FED model of production describes international data better than regional data supports the notion that trade costs work to constrain the range of possible production patterns. There is an important caveat, however. The errors in cross-sectional regressions are almost twice the magnitude of those calculated by Harrigan (1995)

⁷Krugman (1991, p. 3) argues for this kind of approach, writing that "one of the best ways to understand how the international economy works is to start by looking at what happens *inside* nations. . . The data will be better and pose fewer problems of compatibility, and the underlying economic forces will be less distorted by government policies."

using fixed-effects estimation. We interpret these results as evidence that trade costs help resolve indeterminacy but fail to produce neat linear mappings from factor endowments into output.

III. Dimensionality, Production, and Trade: Theory and Tests

In this section we illustrate how production and factor endowments are linked together in models where production is determinate and where production is indeterminate. The objective is to show how theory can help us distinguish between these two possible worlds. We begin by establishing some notation. Let N denote the number of goods, F represent the number of factors, and r index regions (where $r \in R$). For each region r , X^r is the $N \times 1$ vector of gross outputs, V^r the $F \times 1$ vector of factor endowments, and B^r the $F \times N$ matrix of direct factor input requirements.

A. Testing for Identical Production Techniques

We now make the standard assumptions about production inherent in the Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek model. First, we assume that technology is identical across regions and exhibits constant returns to scale. Furthermore, we assume that regional endowments are not too divergent so as to preclude factor price equalization (FPE), goods and factor markets are perfectly competitive, and the number of goods is at least as large as the number of factors ($N \geq F$). If these conditions are satisfied, then it can be shown that production techniques will be identical across regions, i.e. that $B^r = B \forall r \in R$. Moreover, for each prefecture we can write:⁸

$$BX^r = V^r \quad \forall r \in R \quad (\text{Dimension } F \times 1)$$

These R sets of equations can be expressed more compactly as

$$BX = V \quad (\text{Dimension } F \times R) \quad (1)$$

where B is the common $F \times N$ technology matrix, and X is an $N \times R$ matrix whose columns consist of the output vectors for each region, and V is a $F \times R$ matrix whose columns are the

⁸It is important to clarify one potential source of confusion about this equation. If we let J denote Japan as a whole, BX^J must equal V^J by definition. However, as Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) discuss in considerable detail, there is no guarantee that BX^r will equal V^r for each region within Japan.

endowment vectors for each region. The columns of the left-hand side of equation (1) represent the measured factor content of production for each region and the columns of the right-hand side are the actual factor endowment vectors.⁹ Hence equation (1) tells us that the measured factor content of production should equal the actual regional endowment.

We refer to equation (1) as the *Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek (HOV) model of production*. Notice that this relationship can fail because of technological differences, increasing returns, or any other reason why factor price equalization might not obtain. If we find that equation (1) does hold, however, then we can conclude that whatever violations of the HOV theorem's basic assumptions exist, they are not sufficient to undermine the theory's predictions about output.

We will take two strategies toward testing equation (1). First, following Harrigan (1995), we examine prediction errors; second, following Ethier (1984), we calculate Rybczynski "correlations."¹⁰ To do so, we note that equality of the BX and V matrices in equation (1) implies equality for each corresponding element of the two matrices; i.e., for each factor f and region r ,

$$[B^f X^r] = [V^{fr}] \quad (\text{Dimension } 1 \times 1) \quad (1')$$

where B^f denotes the f^{th} row of the technology matrix and V^{fr} the f^{th} element of V^r . Obviously it is too much to expect that equation (1') will hold exactly. Instead we look at the percentage deviation between the predicted factor content of production and the actual factor endowment. In practice, this involves first creating an $F \times R$ matrix, D , whose elements are defined below:

$$D^{fr} = |B^f X^r / V^{fr} - 1|.$$

If the errors are small, we conclude that the HOV model provides a reasonably accurate description of production structure. If there are substantial errors, we conclude that the model is deficient in some respect.

⁹Our nomenclature here follows the literature, in which the endowment estimates that are imputed from information on outputs and technology are referred to as the "measured" endowments, while the endowments taken from the data sample are termed the "actual" endowments.

¹⁰Strictly speaking, these are not true correlations but are "on average" relationships analogous to the well-known multigood comparative advantage "correlations" between exports and relative autarky prices derived by Dixit and Norman (1980) and Deardorff (1980).

We could in principle examine all of the elements of D at once, but it is analytically convenient to consider two types of average prediction errors. First, looking at the column of D corresponding to a given region r , we can compare the actual endowments and measured factor absorption for each region. Second, we can hold f fixed and consider the corresponding row of D , comparing the actual endowments and measured factor usage across all regions. In this way we distinguish how well the model fits individual regions as well as particular factors.

It is not sufficient to stop here, however. Tests of the HOV production model based on equation (1') are incomplete, since they could conceivably yield misleading conclusions in certain instances. For example, suppose that all regions had identical factor proportions but differed only in size. In this case prediction errors might be very small because larger regions just produce more of everything, but we might not have any information about whether differences in relative factor proportions are associated with outputs in the manner specified by theory. What we need is some way of addressing the question of whether differences in relative factor proportions translate into differences in observed production patterns as theory predicts.

Fortunately, this problem has already been largely worked out by Ethier (1984). With two goods and two factors, the Rybczynski theorem maintains that holding output prices constant, an increase in the endowment of some factor will generate a more-than-proportional increase in the output of the good that uses that factor intensively and a reduction in the output of the other good. In higher dimensions ($N > 2$ goods, $F > 2$ factors), the relationship between endowments and production must be stated quite differently.¹¹

In particular, our empirical tests impose restrictions based upon Ethier's multidimensional formulation of the Rybczynski relationship. Suppose for two regions r and $r' \in R$ we have $BX^r = V^r$ and $BX^{r'} = V^{r'}$. We can then subtract one equation from the other to get: $B(X^r - X^{r'}) = (V^r - V^{r'})$. Premultiplying both sides by the transpose of $(V^r - V^{r'})$ yields Ethier's Rybczynski "correlation":

¹¹Another test involves verifying that, for each industry and each factor, at least one Rybczynski derivative is negative. With the large number of sectors included in our study, this test is not particularly powerful.

$$(\mathbf{V}^r - \mathbf{V}^{r'})^T \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}^r - \mathbf{X}^{r'}) = (\mathbf{V}^r - \mathbf{V}^{r'})^T (\mathbf{V}^r - \mathbf{V}^{r'}) > 0 \quad (\text{Dimension } 1 \times 1) \quad (2)$$

For each pair of regions (r, r'), equation (2) says that regions with more (less) of a particular factor generally produce goods which use that factor relatively more (less) intensively. If we examine this relationship for all r and r' , we can group the left- and right-hand sides of equation (2) into two $R \times R$ symmetric matrices. According to theory, all the elements comprising these matrices should be non-negative, and the diagonal elements should be zeroes. For the matrix whose elements correspond to right-hand side of equation (2), it is a mathematical truism that these conditions are fulfilled. However, for the matrix comprised of the left-hand-side terms, there is no guarantee that the off-diagonal elements are non-negative.

We can improve Ethier's formulation with a slight modification. One drawback of the above approach is that it pools together information garnered from different factors. To see this, consider what theory tells us the relationship should look like for any factor f . Just as equation (1') describes the production equation of the HOV model in terms of a particular factor and region, there is an analogous expression for Ethier's multidimensional Rybczynski "correlation":

$$(\mathbf{V}^{fr} - \mathbf{V}^{fr'}) \mathbf{B}^f (\mathbf{X}^r - \mathbf{X}^{r'}) = (\mathbf{V}^{fr} - \mathbf{V}^{fr'})^2 > 0 \quad \forall f, r, \text{ and } r' \quad (\text{Dimension } 1 \times 1) \quad (2')$$

Equation (2') permits us to examine the data by factor and by region, whereas equation (2) pools together all of the factor evidence for any regional comparison. This is an important advantage, because if equation (2') holds for some factors but not others, then tests based on equation (2) might fail to detect failures in the theory for particular factors. This would occur if negative values on the left-hand side of equation (2') were eliminated in being summed together with one or more positive values.

How does one test a relationship like (2')? Since there are FR^2 relationships, it makes sense to try to place some structure on the results to make them more interpretable. As we noted above, for each factor f , we can arrange the results from each pairwise comparison generated by the left-hand side of equation (2') into a symmetric $R \times R$ matrix, P_{VX}^f . Similarly, employing this procedure for the right-hand side generates the symmetric $R \times R$ matrix, A_{VV}^f . We are left with F pairs of matrices, one pair for each factor f , as shown below:

$$P_{VX}^f = A_{VV}^f \quad (\text{Dimension } R \times R) \quad (3)$$

As with the aggregate matrices described above, these factor-specific matrices are symmetric and have zeroes along the diagonal. Moreover, the off-diagonal elements should be non-negative.

There are two types of tests we can conduct on these pairs of matrices. First are sign tests, which entail verifying that the off-diagonal elements of P_{VX}^f are all non-negative. (Those of A_{VV}^f are necessarily so.) Sign tests tell us whether prefectures that are relatively more endowed with a given factor tend, on average, to produce larger quantities of commodities that use that factor intensively. Unfortunately, sign tests are problematic as a test of the relationship in equation (3) because they are insensitive to magnitudes. For example, if prefectures are very similar in their endowments but there exists some measurement error, the sign test may fail even though BX may actually be very close to V in most instances.

To remedy this potential drawback and to bolster our analysis, we also conduct correlation tests. For each factor f , we can make $R(R - 1)/2$ pairwise comparisons between the elements comprising the symmetric matrices on the left- and right-hand sides of equation (3). The rank or raw correlation of these $R(R - 1)/2$ elements—what we call “within-factor” tests—indicate whether large differences in regional endowments of a given factor are reflected in large differences in outputs. Unfortunately, both the sign and within-factor correlation tests share the same problem inherent in tests of equation (1') outlined above: namely, success in these tests might arise simply from size variation across regions, rather than reflecting differences in factor proportions. Fortunately, we can control for the possible confounding effect of size by conducting “cross-factor” tests. For each pair of regions (r, r'), equation (2') gives us F comparisons of relative factor abundance and relative factor usage. By conducting rank and raw correlations of these $F \times 1$ vectors, we can determine if differences in *relative* factor abundances are reflected in corresponding *relative* outputs.

In sum, success on this battery of tests indicates that a set of regions has identical or nearly identical production techniques, whereas failure indicates that there must be substantial regional variation in unit input requirements. These tests of the HOV production model also serve as a

critical controlled experiment that we can draw upon in subsequent tests of the FED model. If all regions use identical production techniques, then we know that our inability to predict output on the basis of factor endowments cannot be the result of increasing returns, technological differences, fewer goods than factors, or any other reason that might cause factor-price equalization to fail. As we argue in the next section, this significantly reduces the possible causes of problems with the FED model.

B. Predicting Outputs From Factor Endowments

1. Theory

A major question in international trade is whether production levels and trade flows are determined by factor endowments. In this section we explore the conditions under which the Heckscher-Ohlin model guarantees such a relationship. Ultimately, we would like to write output as a linear function of factor endowments, i.e.

$$\mathbf{X}^r = \Omega \mathbf{V}^r \quad (\text{Dimension } F \times 1) \quad (4)$$

where the Ω matrix has dimension $N \times F$. Equation (4) is what we call the *factor-endowments-driven (FED) model of production*. In general, output can be written as a unique function of endowments, that is independent of the endowments, only if $N \leq F$. Furthermore there will be a common technology matrix B such that $B\mathbf{X}^r = \mathbf{V}^r \forall r \in R$ only if there is factor price equalization, which in turn requires that $N \geq F$. Hence a necessary condition for both relations holding is that there are an equal number of goods and factors.

An alternative way about thinking about the problem is that if $B\mathbf{X}^r = \mathbf{V}^r$, then a unique Ω will exist only if B is invertible. Invertibility in turn requires that B is of full rank and that there are an equal number of goods and factors; and in this case, Ω equals B^{-1} .

Notice that we have just derived a test of whether there are an equal number of goods and factors. If the HOV model of production works and B has full rank, then the FED model of production will fail if there are more goods than factors. To demonstrate this, consider what happens if $N < F$. If $N < F$, country endowments are not scalar multiples of each other, and there

is no international factor mobility, then factor price equalization will not obtain in general, and the HOV model of production will be violated.¹² In a one-good, two-factor model, for example, there is no linear relationship between endowments and output that is the same for all regions. On the other hand, if $N > F$ and the other conditions of the model are satisfied, the HOV model of production should apply: i.e., all regions will use identical production techniques. However, the equilibrium output vectors are no longer unique, B is not invertible, and there is no one-for-one mapping from endowments into production as postulated in (4). Thus, if there are more goods than factors we should expect equations (1') and (2') to hold but equation (4) to fail.¹³ This simple test based on the invertibility of B serves as our main mechanism for identifying if there are more goods than factors.

How do we assess a failure of equation (4)? Once again we are going to evaluate the success of the model by focusing on percentage prediction errors. Specifically we examine the magnitudes of $\left| \widehat{\Omega}^n V^r / X^{nr} - 1 \right|$, where \widehat{W}^n is our estimate of the n^{th} row of the Ω matrix and X^{nr} the n^{th} element of X^r . As in our tests of equation (1'), we generate average prediction errors across prefectures and across industries.

We also implement a second test, making use of the fact that somewhat more structure can be placed on the Ω matrix. Premultiplying equation (4) by B , we obtain $BX = B\Omega V$. Assuming that equation (1) holds, we can then substitute for BX to yield:

$$V = B\Omega V \quad \Rightarrow \quad B\Omega = I \quad (\text{Dimension } F \times F) \quad (5)$$

¹² Technically, in a world with $N < F$ and factor mobility, factors might migrate so that FPE obtains. Then both the HOV and FED models of production would hold, and we would not be able to distinguish between a world in which there are equal numbers of goods and factors and one in which there are fewer goods than factors. However, with fewer goods than factors, we would still not expect to see equation (1) hold and equation (4) fail.

¹³ Net trade in factor services, by contrast, will remain determinate even in a world where N exceeds M . In other words, the HOV trade equation remains valid. Using r to denote a country, W to denote the world, s^r to denote country r 's share of world spending, and T to denote trade, this can be formulated mathematically as $BT^r = V^r - s^r V^W$. Thus our results have no bearing on the studies which attempt to measure how well the HOV trade equation fits the empirical data.

In fact, there is a growing empirical literature on the predictive power of the HOV trade equation, and so far the reviews are mixed. Early studies, such as Maskus (1985) and Bowen, Leamer, and Sveikauskas (1987), unanimously found the model to be an empirical failure. Later studies offer a somewhat more equivocal assessment. Papers by Trefler (1993, 1995) and Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) have shown that when modified in minor ways the HOV model has considerable explanatory power.

where I is an $F \times F$ identity matrix.¹⁴ Similarly, it is possible to write

$$X = \Omega BX \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Omega B = I \quad (\text{Dimension } N \times N) \quad (6)$$

Now I is an $N \times N$ identity matrix. In a world where N exceeds F , equation (6) will never be satisfied because it imposes N^2 linear restrictions on only NF parameters. We therefore test only equation (5) to see if the estimated parameters of the Ω matrix are weakly related to the underlying technology by imposing F^2 restrictions on NF parameters.

Theory tells us that we should expect to see three possible outcomes from these experiments. If both the HOV and the FED models work, then we can conclude that endowments do determine the location of production. Similarly, if both models fail, then we can conclude that the world must violate a fundamental tenet of the HOV framework. The final possibility, that HOV works but the FED fails, indicates that the basic assumptions of the HOV model hold, but there are more goods than factors.

There are two different ways in which having more goods than factors can affect our results. First, it may be the case that there truly are fewer factors than goods. Second, it may be that we simply have omitted some important factors from our production specification. To see why this might matter, suppose that we are in a two-good, two-factor model but have data on only one factor. If one has the row of the B matrix corresponding to that factor and all the other conditions of the model are satisfied, then the HOV model would hold even with an omitted factor. On the other hand, it would not be possible to predict production structure without the missing factor. Since we do have not a complete list of potential factors, we must be open to the possibility that some factor endowments are not included in our analysis. Hence, if we find that equation (4) fails, our analysis must address the question of whether there are truly more goods than factors, or whether we have inadvertently omitted important factors. We will return to this issue in the empirical implementation.

¹⁴One could easily think of some particular vectors V for which the inference in equation (4) is not strictly correct, because there are matrices other than I for which the first equation holds. However, since this relationship has to hold for *any* V , the only possible solution is $B\Omega = I$.

C. Trade Cost Tests

Thus far, we have considered tests within the context of the success or failure of the HOV and FED models of production. A complementary approach asks what conditions will serve to eliminate production indeterminacy arising from the existence of more goods than factors.

One potential solution is to aggregate goods in such a way that $N = F$. It turns out, however, that aggregation solves the indeterminacy problem only in exceptional cases.¹⁵ One such stylized situation involves the existence of two factors and three goods (autos, brown shoes, and black shoes), with two goods (the shoe varieties) produced using identical techniques. In this case, it is not possible to predict how much of each type of shoe will be produced, but one could predict production of autos and total shoes by aggregating the two types of shoes. This kind of degenerate case is, of course, highly unlikely to prevail in practice. Particularly in our sample, where industries are defined at a relatively high degree of aggregation, the odds of any two industries employing exactly the same production techniques are remote, at best.¹⁶ Aside from these uninteresting and very implausible scenarios, the literature addressing the problem has typically concluded that aggregation does not offer a viable way of obtaining mappings from factor endowments into production, when $N > F$.¹⁷

¹⁵Of course, the B matrix provides a trivial set of weights for aggregating sectors, but weighting the outputs by their unit factor requirements reduces the FED model of production to a restatement of the HOV model.

¹⁶Indeed, we can and did check for this possibility by verifying that no two columns in the B matrix were identical.

¹⁷Leamer (1984) attempts to use aggregation to address the indeterminacy problem, forming commodity aggregates based on how production is correlated. However, this procedure biases the results in favor of fitting the model, as it uses information on the pattern of production to predict the pattern of production.

More generally, it can be demonstrated that it is impossible to aggregate while maintaining reasonable industry definitions. Our analysis, which parallels Chang (1979) and Leamer (1994), runs as follows. Suppose that no two goods are produced with the same technology so that we are not in a degenerate case. Then arbitrarily choose a set of F goods, X_1 , and separate the technology matrix into B_1 , an $F \times F$ matrix corresponding to X_1 , and B_2 , a matrix of dimension $M \times (N - F)$. The HOV production equation is now $B_1 X_1 + B_2 X_2 = V$. Since B_1 is invertible, this can be written as

$$X^* = X_1 + B_1^{-1} B_2 X_2 = B_1^{-1} V.$$

X^* is a set of F aggregated goods, but one cannot give this aggregate an interpretation since every element will be a linear combination (with, in general, some negative weights) of $N - F + 1$ goods. Furthermore, even if one tried to forge ahead by regressing X_1 on V and treating $B_1^{-1} B_2 X_2$ as part of the error term, the fact that X_2 is correlated with V means that one's estimates of B_1^{-1} will be biased and inconsistent.

A more promising candidate for eliminating indeterminacy, suggested by Leamer (1984), is trade costs: i.e., all transactions costs, including but not limited to transportation and information costs, entailed in exchanging a commodity across geographical boundaries.¹⁸ If trade flows minimize trade costs subject to the constraint that they satisfy the HOV trade equation, there may exist a linear relationship between factor endowments and trade (and hence production) patterns. For example, one can obtain such a relation by solving the following minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{T^r} \sum kT^r \\ \text{s. t. } BT^r = V^r - s^r V^W \quad \forall r \end{aligned}$$

where κ is a vector of trade costs, T^r a vector of net trade flows for country r , V^r country r 's endowment vector, s^r country r 's share in global consumption, and V^W the world endowment vector.

One problem with Leamer's approach is that it does not guarantee that the solution to the trade cost minimization problem will also cause goods markets to clear. For example, if the most capital and labor-intensive goods are traded costlessly but are only demanded in very small quantities in equilibrium, then the solution to the minimization problem will not be the solution to the general-equilibrium problem. Furthermore, as Anderson (1988) notes, Leamer's results are highly contingent on the functional form of trade costs. Leamer also implicitly assumes that international trade costs, which could drive a wedge between domestic and foreign prices, do not affect unit input requirements or consumer demands.

Although it is possible to identify theoretical problems with Leamer's approach, it is not hard to construct cases where his approach works nicely. In Figure 1 we present a model where there are two countries, three goods, and two factors (K and L). The countries' endowments are denoted by E , and their consumption points by C . If there are no trade costs, the factor-price

¹⁸Leamer actually frames the argument in terms of transportation costs, but it is more appropriate to think of these costs as international transactions costs, since distance does not enter the analysis. This framing of the issue is supported by McCallum's (1995) finding that Canadian provinces trade with each other 20 times more than they do with U.S. states located similar distances away.

equalization (FPE) set is described by the hexagonal region. Trade here is indeterminate, as there are an infinite number of ways that production can be divided between the two countries. Suppose, however, that good 1 is traded at some cost. In this case the FPE set collapses as shown in Figure 2. Output of good 1 in each country (indicated by the length of the stems from the origin) is determined by the relative income levels at home and abroad. Once this is determined, the factor content of trade must be accomplished solely via the exchange of goods 2 and 3. In this manner, it is possible for trade costs to render production patterns determinate without upsetting FPE. This solution will only work in the case in which the number of goods traded at cost exactly equals $N - F$. If fewer goods are subject to trade costs, then we obtain the result portrayed in Figure 3. Here there are two factors and four goods, only one of which (good 1) cannot be traded costlessly. Each region consumes and produces good 1 in proportion to its income share, but output of the other goods is indeterminate. Hence, with many more goods than factors, identical production techniques across regions (i.e., the HOV production model works), and trade costs on certain goods, then endowments should still be able to predict the output of non-tradable goods sectors, even if the FED model fails for tradable industries.

The above framework always features some nontraded goods, when in reality most commodities are traded at some cost. Hence we should also develop the theory for cases in which trade costs are ubiquitous. While it would take us too far afield to develop the topic fully, we would at least like to provide a heuristic account, based on the analysis of Xu (1993), of how trade costs could help to eliminate the production indeterminacy.¹⁹

Consider a Heckscher-Ohlin world with two countries whose endowments are not too dissimilar, two factors (capital and labor), and a continuum of industries indexed by $z \in [0,1]$.²⁰ Each industry z has a continuum of goods indexed by $j \in [z, 1 + z]$. We assume that j is a direct measure of the capital intensity of the good. We also assume that all goods have Samuelson

¹⁹Xu's model is actually more general than the one given below, as it incorporates differences in both factor abundances and technology. However, the essence of the model is captured in the version we present.

²⁰ We wish to thank Donald Davis for providing us with a clear and elegant explication of this point.

iceberg trade costs, so that if $t > 1$ units of a good are shipped, only 1 unit arrives. Suppose that the home country is more capital abundant than the foreign country and that initially trade costs are prohibitive. In this case the return to capital will be lower in the home country than in the foreign country. Now consider what happens if trade costs fall sufficiently to allow for trade. With lower trade costs, the home country will have a comparative advantage in the most capital-intensive goods due to the fact that capital is cheaper at home than abroad. Similarly, lower foreign wages will cause the foreign country to export the most labor-intensive goods. Goods of intermediate capital intensity will not be traded because the cost advantage in neither country will exceed the trade costs. In the limit as trade costs go to zero, FPE will obtain, and the range of non-traded goods will fall.

This structure suffices to make both production and trade determinate. There is a range of goods $[0, j^*]$ produced in and exported from only the foreign country. Likewise, there is a range of goods $[j', 2]$ produced in and exported from only the home country. All goods in the range $[j^*, j']$ are not traded in equilibrium, so each country produces these goods according to its own needs. The determination of the boundaries, j^* and j' , depends *inter alia* on the magnitude of trade costs, the equilibrium level of demand for the various goods, and the extent of differences in the countries' endowments. Note that although there is complete specialization in all goods traded in equilibrium, this need not suggest any specialization in the industrial aggregates (hence in real-world data), since each industry incorporates goods with a range of factor intensities. Nevertheless, one can sensibly talk about the typical factor intensity of an industry, and it will generally be the case that exports are higher for more capital-intensive industries in the capital-abundant country (and vice versa for the labor-abundant country).²¹

The upshot of this analysis is that trade costs may represent an important mechanism for generating production determinacy within the Heckscher-Ohlin framework. Indeed, in a world with trade costs and more goods than factors, one should expect two results. First, factor

²¹ It is worth noting that the relationship is not necessarily linear.

endowments should provide more accurate predictions of output for non-tradables than for traded goods if the latter are traded freely. Second, assuming that trade costs are more significant at the international level, but do not disturb FPE significantly, then the FED model should fit better on the international data set, *ceteris paribus*.²² We now turn to testing these propositions.

IV. Data Description

This paper makes use of two data sets. The first is a slightly modified version of the data set constructed in Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997). We obtained our technology matrix, B , from that paper, but augmented the regional data so that we had information on 47 Japanese prefectures rather than ten Japanese regions. The data appendix provides details on the construction of our data set. Summary statistics are provided in Table 1. As one can see there is a large amount of regional variation in endowments due in part to the tremendous size variation of Japanese prefectures.

The second data set we use is an international data set on endowments and industry sales at the ISIC three digit level of 22 OECD countries. Details on the construction of this data set are also discussed in the data appendix. As one might expect, there is greater dispersion in output (as measured by GDP) and endowments in the international data than in the regional. However, the difference is not as large as one might suspect. Typically the coefficient of variation is only about twice as large for the international data set as for the regional data.

More interesting is the evidence on the dispersion of industries at the regional level. Tables 2 through 4 present coefficients of variation calculated in two ways. First, we hold each industry fixed and calculate a coefficient of variation using region and country based variation of given industries. This type of dispersion is quite sensitive to the size distribution of regions and countries. Not surprisingly, the data reveals that there is about twice as much dispersion in

²²The qualification “*ceteris paribus*” is necessary because international data is likely to differ from regional data in dimensions other than trade costs. Indeed, as we discuss below, some of these differences (e.g., dissimilar production techniques across countries and larger measurement errors on international data) are likely to work in the opposite direction, impairing the performance of the FED model at the international level.

international sales than in regional output. Most of this is due to two large outliers, the US and New Zealand. If we hold countries or regions fixed and examine how much variation there is across different industries, we can obtain some sense of whether industries are more specialized on regional or international data. Krugman (1991) found that there was greater regional dispersion of industries in the US than in Europe. Comparing Tables 2 and 4 we find similar evidence for Japan vis-à-vis the OECD. There is far more specialization among Japanese regions than among countries. This is what one might expect if trade costs are higher for international than for interregional trade. We now turn to investigating the implications of this hypothesis more systematically in the next section.

V. Results

The box below summarizes the theoretical implications of production indeterminacy. As we mentioned above, we will use both regional and international data to test the theory. The use of regional data is important because it provides us with a data set in the HOV model of production is satisfied. This enables us to establish that failures in the FED model of production are not the result of differences in production techniques. Furthermore, the regional data also allow us to examine whether the FED model performs differently for tradables, which are traded relatively freely, than for non-tradables, which are traded at substantial cost. Next we turn to international data in which trade costs are presumably more pervasive and quantitatively significant than for tradables in the regional sample. Here we examine the theoretical prediction that the FED model of production yields more accurate forecasts in the presence of trade costs.

Implications of Production Indeterminacy

Suppose the HOV production model holds. Then $N \geq F$, leaving two possible scenarios:

If $N = F$ and B has full rank, then $W = B^{-1}$. Both the HOV and FED production models hold, meaning:

$$\begin{array}{ll} BX = V & \text{and} \quad X = WV \\ BW = I & \text{and} \quad WB = I \end{array}$$

If $N > F$, then the HOV model holds but the FED model does not. This implies:

$$\begin{array}{ll} BX = V & \text{but} \quad X^T \neq W^T V \quad \text{for goods traded at no cost*} \\ & \text{and} \quad X^{NT} = W^{NT} V \quad \text{for non-tradables or goods subject to trade costs} \\ WB \neq I & \text{and} \quad BW \neq I \end{array}$$

*assuming the number of traded goods exceeds the number of factors

A. The HOV Model of Production: Tests of Equations (1') and (2') on Regional Data

We begin our analysis by verifying that the Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek model of production is valid for our sample of Japanese regions. In particular, we confirm that $BX = V$, or that each region employs the same production techniques ($B^r = B \forall r \in R$). As we mentioned earlier, this relationship could fail to hold as a result of increasing returns, Ricardian technical differences across regions, fewer goods than factors, or any other reason that would cause factor price equalization to fail. In this sense, our test is similar in spirit to that used by Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997), with one difference. In that paper, it was crucial that households consumed in the same regions in which they produced, so regional trade vectors could be constructed. Since the consumption theory is irrelevant for our tests of the Rybczynski theorem, however, it is not essential that all workers in each prefecture conduct their consumption in that location. We need simply to have accurate production and factor endowment data for each prefecture. This enables us to use data from all 47 Japanese prefectures as opposed to the 10 aggregated regions used by Davis, Weinstein et al. Our X vector contained data on gross output for 29 sectors for each

prefecture, and our V vector included three factors: workers with less than a college education, college-educated workers, and capital.²³

Table 5 presents the average prediction errors of the HOV model of production. The prediction errors are generally quite small, averaging 13% across all observations (where each observation is prefecture-factor specific). As explained earlier, we also calculate average errors over each prefecture and over each factor. There are few outliers among the prefectures; only three have average errors in excess of 25%, and none has an average error greater than 33%. Among the factors, the model works best for capital and worst for non-college-educated labor.

Figures 4 and 5 present plots of the predicted and actual factor endowments for each prefecture. Since we do not want differences in prefectural size to affect our results, each observation is deflated by the total amount of the corresponding factor for Japan and also in Figure 5 by the square root of the region's GDP. The graphical evidence confirms our basic intuition from Table 1. To the extent that economies of scale or technological differences exist, they are not significant enough to invalidate the HOV production predictions. This evidence corroborates the findings of Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) for more aggregated regions in Japan: production techniques are (approximately) identical across Japanese prefectures, and the HOV model of production performs very well in areas where it is reasonable to assume factor price equalization.

We also conduct the sign and correlation tests suggested by Ethier. Recall that the sign test entails an examination of the off-diagonal elements of the three matrices (one for each factor) corresponding to the left-hand side of equation (3). According to theory, the $R(R-1)/2$ off-diagonal elements, which for our sample involves 1,081 possible pairwise comparisons of different prefectures for each factor, should all be non-negative. Once again, this is a test of whether prefectures that are relatively more endowed with a given factor tend to produce larger quantities of products that use that factor intensively.

²³See the Data Appendix for information on how the sample was constructed.

The results from these sign tests are presented in Table 6. Of the 3,243 possible sign checks, only 5.2% (168) were negative. Without a well-specified null, it is difficult to say whether predicting 95% of the signs correctly is good or bad. In order to get a sense of how a random mix of output and endowment vectors would perform, we randomly assigned actual endowment vectors to actual output vectors and reran the tests. These simulated results revealed that if outputs and endowments were independently distributed, slightly more than 50% of the signs were negative. While this experiment enables us to reject the hypothesis that the real data were generated by a coin flip, it is unfortunately not a very meaningful test, since no one believes that output and endowments are completely uncorrelated. However, based on the sign test, it seems reasonable to conclude that regions more endowed with a particular factor generally produce more outputs intensive in that factor. In this sense, the data corroborate Ethier's Rybczynski "correlation."

Our second test of Ethier's multidimensional Rybczynski formulation uses the correlations between the elements comprising the matrices on the left- and right-hand sides of equation (3). First, we conduct "within-factor" tests, holding f constant and examining the variation across prefectures in the endowment and utilization of a given factor. The results of this experiment are reported in the second panel of Table 6. The rank and raw correlations exceed 0.95, indicating that differences in production structures across prefectures are very tightly linked with differences in factor endowments, in a manner consistent with theory. Of course, it is possible that this result is being driven by size differences rather than differences in relative factor endowments.

To eliminate the possibly confounding influence of size-based variation, we also conduct "cross-factor" tests. Here we hold constant the prefecture pair and examine correlations between the measured and actual absorption of factors. In effect, this test tells us whether relative factor abundances translate into relative differences in production structure, in accordance with the HOV production model. The bottom panel of Table 2 reports the cross-factor correlations. The average raw correlation (averaged across all 1,081 prefecture pairs) was 0.84, and the average rank correlation was 0.78. Though somewhat lower than the within-factor correlations, these

results still manifest a close connection between outputs and factor endowments as posited by the HOV production model. We believe that this is the first empirical verification of the Ethier's multidimensional Rybczynski "correlation."

B. Assuming the Even Case: Tests of Equations (4) and (5) for Regional Data

Thus far we have established that the Heckscher-Ohlin-Vanek production model describes the regional data quite well. However, the links between endowments and production that we have explored so far have been "correlations" that one can derive from the assumptions of the HOV model. The question examined in this section is whether the data support a stronger relationship between factor endowments and production. In particular, is there a linear, one-to-one functional relationship between factor endowments and outputs, or are "correlations" between these two variables the most that we can expect to obtain? As noted earlier, this amounts to asking whether there are an equal number of goods and factors.

To examine this question, we regressed output on factor endowments. Before discussing the results, we need to address three minor econometric issues. First, our dependent variable is truncated at zero, and even though only nine observations were zeros, we decided to use a Tobit procedure to correct for a bias in these industries.²⁴ Second, larger regions are likely to have larger errors, so it is important to correct for heteroskedasticity. Following much of the literature, we deflated all observations by the square root of prefectural GDP.²⁵ Third is the issue of whether to include a constant term. In a model with equal numbers of goods and factors, a constant would not be necessary unless the error did not have a mean of zero. If we assume that the error incorporates omitted factors, then there is good reason for not forcing the error term to have a mean of zero. In a world with more goods than factors, the equation is misspecified with or without the constant. Since there seemed to be good arguments both for including and

²⁴The industries with zeros in them were rubber, leather, and non-ferrous metals.

²⁵In an alternative specification we adjusted for heteroskedasticity using endogenous weights, where the weights were chosen by assuming that the variance of the error term is proportional to GDP raised to some power. The results were qualitatively similar to those obtained using the square root of GDP as the weight.

excluding the constant, we ran the model both ways. We report only the results from the regressions with a constant, because the results without the constant were similar although the fits were somewhat worse.

The results of regressing X on V are presented in Table 7. We report standard errors to indicate the precision of the point estimates. It is often the case that one or more of the coefficients is statistically significant and in almost all specifications we can reject the hypothesis of zero slopes. It is important to recognize, however, that without an alternative hypothesis we cannot provide an interpretation of a coefficient that is statistically different from zero. As long as $BX = V$, output and factor endowments will be correlated, as Ethier has demonstrated theoretically and we have verified empirically. However, this does not imply that X is a well-behaved function of V .

In Table 8, prediction errors are expressed as percentages of the actual values.²⁶ We have calculated average deviations for each prefecture (across all industries) and for each industry (across all prefectures). Strikingly, the average error is more than an order of magnitude larger than that obtained when we compared BX and V . The typical error exceeds 300%—almost 25 times larger than the 13% average prediction error for factor endowments shown in Table 1. What makes this enormous discrepancy even more astonishing is the fact that our B matrix is given as data, while our Ω matrix was estimated in a way designed to minimize the residuals.²⁷

Figure 6 plots predicted and actual output levels. Output in every sector has been divided by the total Japanese amount in that sector, so all points are distributed between zero and one. The plots reveal several interesting features of the data that are harder to see in Tables 7 and 8.

²⁶We dropped the nine observations with zero reported output, for which this measure is undefined. We also acknowledge a potential problem with this measure: it may generate exceptionally large errors for observations in which actual production is close to zero and predicted production is negative. Although this possibility exists, it does not explain why we obtain such large average errors. Relatively few points (nineteen in Figure 5, three in Figure 6) fall into this category, and the average error for these observations is 348%, which is not much larger than the average error for the entire sample.

²⁷We also tried regressing V on X . In general, this produced tighter fits than those obtained from using the Japanese technology matrix and almost all coefficients could not be statistically distinguished from the values of the B matrix. Unfortunately with 30 parameters to estimate (29 coefficients plus a constant) and only 47 data points, the standard errors were quite large. Since our tests had very little power, we decided not report the results.

First, there is a lot more variance in the distribution of normalized output than in the distribution of normalized factor endowments. Indeed, the median variance of normalized output is 17 times larger than the median variance of normalized endowments. Second, there are many more extreme outliers in the production data than in the factor endowment data. The average maximum value in the production data was eleven times larger than the median value, while the maximum/median ratio for the endowment data was only about two. One possible reason for this difference in variances is the existence of Jones magnification effects. Alternatively, far greater variation in production patterns than in factor endowments is also consistent with production indeterminacy. Whatever the reason for these extreme outliers in virtually every industry, their existence means that the R^2 's tend to overstate the ability of regressions to fit the typical point.²⁸

We care not only about the accuracy of the model, but also about the interpretation of the coefficients. We argued previously that if $BX = V$ (as in our data set) and if $X = \Omega V$, then it must be the case that $B\Omega = I$. In other words, if there is a one-to-one relationship between factor endowments and outputs, then there should be a relationship between input requirements (the elements of B) and the coefficients obtained by regressing output on factor endowments. In order to test whether our coefficients are capturing the underlying technology, we regressed output on factor endowments and imposed the nine linear constraints implied by the relationship $B\Omega = I$. The appropriate test uses the Wald criterion, which has a χ^2 distribution with nine degrees of freedom. We used two estimating methods, iterative and non-iterative seemingly-unrelated regression. The critical value (1% level) of the Wald statistic was 22, but we obtained 1403 and 1053, for the iterative and non-iterative tests, respectively. The data clearly reject the hypothesis that our estimated coefficients are actually Rybczynski derivatives, since they are not related to technology in the manner required by theory.

Thus, our results using regional data demonstrate that the FED model fails to hold. Why is this so? Since previous studies have used international data, they have been unable to

²⁸One approach to dealing with these outliers is to use an estimator obtained by minimizing absolute deviations. We reran our tests using a minimum absolute deviations estimator, but the results remained qualitatively similar.

distinguish among the many potential reasons that the FED model of production might fail. However, $BX = V$ in our regional data, so we can eliminate virtually all of the problems that made Harrigan's (1995) results difficult to interpret. Technological differences (e.g., increasing returns), lumpy regions, regional industrial policy, or any other reason that might cause factor price equalization to fail within Japan would cause *both* $BX = V$ and $X = \Omega V$ to fail.²⁹ Similarly, if there were fewer goods than factors, we would either have found both relationships failing or, with factor mobility, both working. Since the first relationship holds and the second does not, either the B matrix is not invertible due to the existence of more goods than factors, or our analysis has omitted some important factors.

C. Missing Factors

Since it is impossible to be certain that all relevant factors have been included, there is no way to prove that the structure of production is indeterminate.³⁰ For example, college graduates who studied engineering may represent a different type of labor than those who majored in English. Indeed, every individual may constitute a different factor. However, there is a danger in using factors that are excessively disaggregated, since they may generate tautologically true relations between, say, agricultural workers and agricultural output. Moreover, if our tests fail because of the unavailability of data on finely specified factors, then the theory itself is ultimately not very useful, since researchers do not have access to this type of information in practice. We therefore focus on the set of factors that can be found in national or international data sets to see if these additional variables can improve the fit of the FED model.³¹

²⁹See Courant and Deardorff (1992) for a discussion of problems arising from lumpiness.

³⁰This is related to the more general problem of determining what are economically meaningful factors and goods. As Melvin (1968, p. 1265) and Leamer and Levinsohn (1995, p. 1363) acknowledge, we have not made much progress toward answering this fundamental question.

³¹One possible approach to searching for omitted factors is to test if the residuals have a factor analytic structure. The idea being that if there were omitted factors, they might turn up in the residuals. At the suggestion of a referee we conducted principal components analysis of the residuals. This did uncover a variety of correlations between residuals across sectors. Unfortunately, it is difficult to interpret these results. The problem with this approach can be seen by contemplating a three-good, two-factor model. While this is a classic case of indeterminacy the aggregate resource constraint will impose a clear structure on the residuals. If one region has low output in sectors one and three then output in sector two must be high and vice versa. Hence correlations

Previous studies using international data suggest that additional factors (for which we can obtain measures) are unlikely to provide great improvements of the fits of cross-sectional regressions of trade on factor endowments. For example, when Leamer (1988b) looked at the question of how many factors should be included in a model predicting international trade flows on the basis of factor endowments, he found that he could reject models using more than nine (out of eleven potential) factors. Many of the factors that Leamer considered potentially relevant for international trade, such as illiterate workers, tropical land, desert land, coal production, oil and gas production, and mineral production are either non-existent in Japan or exist only in extremely small amounts. Consequently, it is doubtful that these factors significantly affect Japanese production.³² Even before we begin the search for missing factors, then, there is reason to be skeptical that adding more factors will greatly improve the fits.

The most obvious missing factor is land. In principle, we could have used eight different land factors, but since many of the land categories just represent different types of fields or construction, we decided to use two aggregated land variables. The first category was usable urban and farm land, and the second consisted of undeveloped mountain and forest land. To consider the effects of using finer measures of human capital, we also decomposed our two measures of labor endowments into four educational classes: 4-year college and above, 2-year college, high school, and less than high school.

We considered three specifications: (1) the basic three-factor model, with unskilled labor, skilled labor, and capital; (2) a five-factor model, with the original three factors plus two types of land; and (3) a seven-factor model, with four categories of labor, two land variables, and capital.

Prediction errors and R^2 's for the last two specifications are presented in Tables 9a and 9b. (Complete regression results are reported in Table A1 and A2 of the Results Appendix.) Overall, there is some improvement in the adjusted R^2 's of the regressions, especially in land-

among residuals will quite naturally occur even in the absence of omitted factors. Thus, while factor analysis shows finds some correlation our residuals, we are hesitant to interpret this as evidence in favor of omitted factors.

³²Japan has no deserts or tropical land. Leamer (1984) reports that less than 1% of the labor force is illiterate in Japan. Furthermore, only 0.1% of the labor force is employed in mining.

intensive sectors like agriculture. However, the average prediction errors do not improve. Even after incorporating additional factors, the FED production model yields prediction errors that are around 25 times larger than those obtained from the HOV model of production. Thus, additional factors do not contribute to the predictive power of the FED production model.

Through statistical tests, we can determine more formally the optimal number of factors. In particular, we followed Bowen et al. (1987), Leamer (1988b), and Trefler (1995) in applying the Schwartz criterion:

$$\log(L_i) - p/2 * \log(n)$$

where L_i is the maximized likelihood under hypothesis i , p is the number of parameters and n is the number of observations. The preferred specification is the one with the largest Schwartz criterion. The Schwartz criterion has a number of inherent advantages: it is derivable from Bayesian principles, it performs well in Monte Carlo studies, and it asymptotically identifies the correct model with probability one.³³

Table 6 shows that the basic three-factor model is the preferred specification, as evaluated by the Schwartz criterion. Combined with the fact that equation-by-equation estimation using more factors did not produce better estimates of production, this evidence suggests that missing factors (at least those for which we can obtain data) cannot explain the poor fit of the FED production model. We conclude that production indeterminacy is a major problem for this data sample.

³³One referee made the useful suggestion that we employ the likelihood ratio test. By this standard, the seven-factor model performs best, with a test statistic of $\chi^2_{[116]} = 270$ (p-value = 0.000) relative to the three-factor model, and $\chi^2_{[58]} = 126$ (p-value = 0.000) relative to the five-factor model. This divergence between the results obtained from the likelihood ratio test and those from the Schwartz criterion is not unusual. Indeed, the authors of Bowen et al. (1987), Leamer (1988b), and Trefler (1995) would have all chosen more highly parameterized specifications had they used the likelihood ratio test rather than the Schwartz criterion. These discrepancies arise from the fact that the two procedures answer different questions. The likelihood ratio test gives the probability of finding points where our data are, *assuming that the null hypothesis is true*. By contrast, the Schwartz criterion *takes the data distribution as given* and asks which model specification best describes the data. Our analysis is more concerned with the latter question.

D. Trade Costs and Indeterminacy

We argued earlier that trade costs may help resolve production indeterminacy arising from the existence of more goods than factors. This provides us with two additional ways to analyze the data. First, we examine whether there are any differences between the performance of the FED model across tradable and non-tradable sectors in the regional data. Then we employ the same battery of tests used earlier on an international data set, where trade costs are likely to be ubiquitous, and compare the results with those obtained previously on regional data.

1. Trade Costs and Regional Data

Figure 3 demonstrates that in a data set where the number of traded goods exceeds the number of factors and in which certain sectors are traded at cost while other sectors are freely traded, the FED model should work for non-traded goods but not for tradables. This is precisely what we see in the regional data. The average prediction error for non-tradable sectors is only 20%, which is quite close in magnitude to the 13% average error obtained from tests of the HOV model of production. By contrast, the average prediction error for manufactures exceeds 400%, or 20 times that for non-tradables. This huge divergence is consistent with a world in which trade costs partially alleviate the production indeterminacy arising from the existence of more goods than factors.

2. Testing the HOV Model on International Data

We now examine how our results change when we apply the same tests used on Japanese prefectural data to cross-country data. There are two principal differences between the two types of data. First, technology differences, measurement errors, and other problems are likely to plague the HOV framework when applying it to international as opposed to regional data. Most of these problems are likely to generate worse fits for *both* the HOV and the FED models of production. The second important difference, higher trade costs at the international level, has differential effects on the two models. To the extent that trade costs mitigate indeterminacy, the

FED model may perform *better* on international than on regional data, even if the HOV model fails at the international level. Whether this is actually the case is an empirical question to which we now turn.

We begin by first examining how well the HOV model of production describes the international data. In Table 11, we calculate the average percentage deviations between BX and V for international data, just as we did for the regional sample in Table 5.³⁴ The fit of the HOV model is far worse at the international level. The average prediction error ($|BX - V|/V$) is 81% for international data, or about six times larger than the 13% obtained using regional data.³⁵ Notice that even the smallest error for the cross-country sample (22% for Finland) exceeds the average error for the regional data.

Reinforcing this point are the results obtained from running the Rybczynski “correlation” tests on the international data. Of course, given that $BX \neq V$, there is no sound theoretical foundation for performing these tests at the international level. However, when juxtaposed with the regional results, the international results provide a useful indication of the tests’ explanatory power. Table 12 shows that the multidimensional Rybczynski “correlation” performs relatively poorly at the international level. Of the 570 possible sign checks, 154 elements (27%) have the wrong sign, compared to only 5% in the tests using prefectural data. In general, the within-factor correlations are far lower than the extremely high values obtained for Japanese regions. More significantly, when we eliminate the influence of size by conducting cross-factor correlations, we obtain values approximating 0.35 rather than the 0.81 obtained using regional data. At the international level, there is not the tight link between technology, factor endowments, and outputs predicted by the HOV model and prevailing at the regional level. This tends to support the growing literature that suggests that there exist important differences in international production techniques.

³⁴We could not include Japan in our sample since it would fit by construction.

³⁵In an earlier draft, we reported a higher number for a sample that included the Netherlands. This was due to an incompatibility of the Netherlands data with the rest of the sample. We therefore have deleted the Netherlands from the sample.

3. Testing the FED Model on International Data

We next examine the FED model using a cross-section of countries. Having established that our sample of countries does not use identical production techniques and given that data problems such as measurement error are likely to be more severe for countries than for regions, we might reasonably expect the fits of the FED model to be worse on the international data. However, it is possible that higher trade costs at the international level could work in the opposite direction, leading to better fits of the FED model.

We address this empirical question by regressing output on factor endowments for the OECD, using the same set of *manufacturing* industries employed in the analysis of prefectures.³⁶ In our international regressions, we include the three factors used in our basic specification, as well as arable land and mineral endowments. We add the latter two factors because they have been used in previous studies, and because they are likely to be more relevant for international comparisons.

One striking feature of the results is that the explanatory power of these regressions, as measured by the adjusted R^2 , is much higher than those obtained for the regional sample (cf. Tables 9a and 9b). As Table 13 indicates, the regressions of output on factor endowments using international data have an average R^2 of 0.86 and an average adjusted R^2 of 0.84—almost double those of our five-factor runs on prefectures.³⁷ The high adjusted R^2 's obtained from the international regressions are of the same magnitude as those obtained in other studies of this type,

³⁶Note that the sample used in testing the FED model of production is different from that used to test the HOV model of production. The reason for the difference in sample coverage is as follows. To compare $BX = V$, we needed production data on all 29 sectors. Thus, we had to omit some OECD countries for which we did not have the necessary data (e.g., Great Britain), and we included a number of non-OECD countries for which we did have this data (e.g., Argentina). We could have included more nations in the regressions of X on V , but we elected to use only the OECD countries to facilitate comparisons with previous studies by Harrigan (1995) and Davis and Weinstein (1996).

³⁷We were also concerned that the higher R^2 's might be the result of using only 22 observations and 6 regressors, so we also reran our prefectural results with only 22 prefectures but obtained R^2 's and adjusted R^2 's similar to those obtained from runs with 47 prefectures.

such as Harrigan (1995) and Davis and Weinstein (1996), and provide a preliminary indication that the FED model performs better at the international level than at the regional level.³⁸

Turning to the prediction errors, which we consider to be a more telling measure of the model's accuracy, we find that the factor-endowment-driven production model fares worse than it did in previous studies of international data. The average prediction error is 67%, or more than 1.5 times the value reported by Harrigan in a time-series analysis of the same data.³⁹ The cross-sectional variation in OECD output appears even harder to explain than the time-series variation. Nonetheless, like the R^2 's, the prediction errors exhibit better performance for the international sample than for the regional sample. The 67% average prediction error is only *one-sixth* as large as that obtained for the same tradable industries using regional data. These results cast further doubt on the conjecture that missing factors may be explaining our regional results. If missing factors are important in explaining the poor fits of the regional runs, then these missing factors must be relatively unimportant in explaining international specialization. Since most missing factors that one might think of would matter more for international rather than intranational specialization, the possibility that missing factors are driving our results seems even more remote.

Trade costs, however, do offer a potential explanation for the superior international fits.⁴⁰ It is reasonable to conjecture that trade costs are larger and more pervasive at the international level, and thus eliminate more of the overall indeterminacy. If so, the high R^2 's obtained from international data may tell us less about the performance of the factor-endowments-driven production model *per se* than about the interaction between the production model, the consumption model, and trade costs.

³⁸Leamer (1984) obtained R^2 's of around 0.6, but his data sample included a much larger and more diverse set of countries than our study and the other two papers mentioned in the text.

³⁹ Aside from the fact that we use cross-sectional data and Harrigan used time-series, the main reason for the difference in the fits is that we include two countries that are large outliers in productivity and endowments that were dropped from Harrigan's analysis: Turkey and Yugoslavia. If we had dropped these countries our fits would have improved, but since our point was to show that the international fits are significantly better than the regional ones, we were hesitant to trim the sample in our favor.

⁴⁰ Another possibility is that the higher variance in the international data makes it easier to obtain higher R^2 . To correct for this possible bias, we deleted the largest and smallest countries in the sample (the US and New Zealand). As one can see in Table 3, this reduces the variation in the international sample to a level similar to that in the regional. Using this smaller variance sample had no impact or actually improved the international fits.

In summary, the production estimates derived from regressions of outputs on factor endowments are far from perfect at the international level, with an average prediction error of 67%. As at the regional level, there appears to be a significant amount of production indeterminacy, consistent with the existence of more goods than factors. However, the output estimates for the OECD sample are substantially more accurate than those obtained for the regional one. At first glance, this finding seems odd, since identical production techniques prevail across Japanese prefectures but not across countries. We can explain this discrepancy, along with the dramatically better fits of the FED model for non-tradables than for tradables within the regional sample, by invoking trade costs. In theory, trade costs can impose some structure on production patterns when there are more goods than factors; in practice, we find that production indeterminacy is lowest in contexts where we would expect trade costs to be highest.

Notice that this result is precisely the *opposite* of what is commonly assumed in empirical analysis. Several investigators [e.g., Saxonhouse (1983, 1986, 1989), Leamer (1988a, 1988b), and Noland (1993)] have regressed trade on factor endowments and then interpreted large residuals as an indication of trade barriers. Our results suggest that the residuals will be larger in the absence of trade barriers and other trade costs. Using these residuals to estimate trade barriers is therefore likely to produce a backward result. Indeed, our analysis provides an explanation for the puzzle identified by Pritchett (1996), namely the *negative* correlations between Leamer's (1988b) measures of openness and observed measures of tariffs, non-tariff barriers, and price distortions.

VI. Conclusion

Trade economists have long known that, if there were more goods than factors, it would be impossible to predict outputs solely on the basis of factor endowments. However, for the most part the implications of this theoretical conclusion have been disregarded. In empirical work, it is often assumed that the world behaves "as if" production were determinate. Theorists, too, have sometimes dismissed the possibility of production indeterminacy, as exemplified by Xu's (1993)

contention that “the problem of indeterminate trade pattern should be regarded as an intellectual curiosity, rather than a real world phenomenon.”

However, in this paper we demonstrate that production indeterminacy is substantial in the type of real-world data sets typically used by empirical trade economists. Moreover, we discover that the degree of indeterminacy is greatest when trade barriers and trade costs are relatively low, e.g., for regional data and for manufactured goods.

We arrived at these conclusions by utilizing both regional and international data. Using regional data, we verified the HOV model of production and the multidimensional Rybczynski relationship derived by Ethier. In doing so, we established that the regional data sample was not subject to many of the possible reasons that the HOV model might fail—e.g., scale economies, heterogeneous technologies, regional industrial policy, lumpy regions, and measurement error. Given this, our finding that the FED model of production performs terribly at the regional level suggests either that the world is best described as having more goods than factors, or that there are missing factors. Unable to identify additional factors that improved our predictions of production patterns, we therefore concluded that the “square” assumption of equal numbers of goods and factors does not provide a good approximation of reality.

For international data, by contrast, the HOV model of production is an empirical failure. Countries do not appear to use identical techniques of production. Nonetheless, when we used international data on factor endowments to predict outputs, the regression fits (as measured by R^2) were substantially better and the prediction errors much smaller than they were for the regional data set. We surmised that the improved ability to predict production patterns at the international level is the result of trade barriers and other international trade costs putting some structure on national production patterns. Much the same phenomenon was observed in the regional data, where prediction errors were 20 times lower for non-tradables than for tradables. These results thus support Leamer’s (1984) and Xu’s (1993) contention that trade costs act to reduce production indeterminacy. They do not completely eliminate the indeterminacy, however.

A practical implication of our results is that one should exercise great caution in interpreting regressions of production (or commodity trade) on factor endowments. These regressions typically generate high R^2 's on international data, but this result is merely reflective of the correlation between trade and factor endowments and of the interaction of these two elements with trade costs. The estimated coefficients do not correspond to Rybczynski derivatives in the theoretically specified manner.

A primary application of such regressions has been the estimation of trade barriers. Some previous researchers [e.g., Saxonhouse (1983, 1986, 1989) and Leamer (1988a, 1988b)] have regressed trade on factor endowments and then interpreted the residuals as an indication of trade barriers. Ironically, we find that the residuals are likely to be much larger in the *absence* of trade barriers and other trade costs. Our results therefore explain the disconcerting finding of Pritchett (1996): the observed *negative* correlation between Leamer's (1988b) measures of openness and conventional measures of tariffs, non-tariff barriers, and price distortions.

One important finding of ours is that, within sets of regions that are not separated by trade barriers or segmented by high trade costs, the strongest relationship between outputs and factor endowments that can be maintained is the HOV model of production. However, trade costs do render a certain degree of determinacy at the international level. This two-tiered structure of production suggests that theorists and empirical economists should try to build trade costs explicitly into their trade models.

In order to make progress in understanding the location of production (and hence patterns of commodity trade), it is necessary to acknowledge that the world is not square. Instead of treating production indeterminacy as a nuisance to be eliminated by assumption, we must confront this phenomenon directly.

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Figure 1: Trade Costs and Production Indeterminacy

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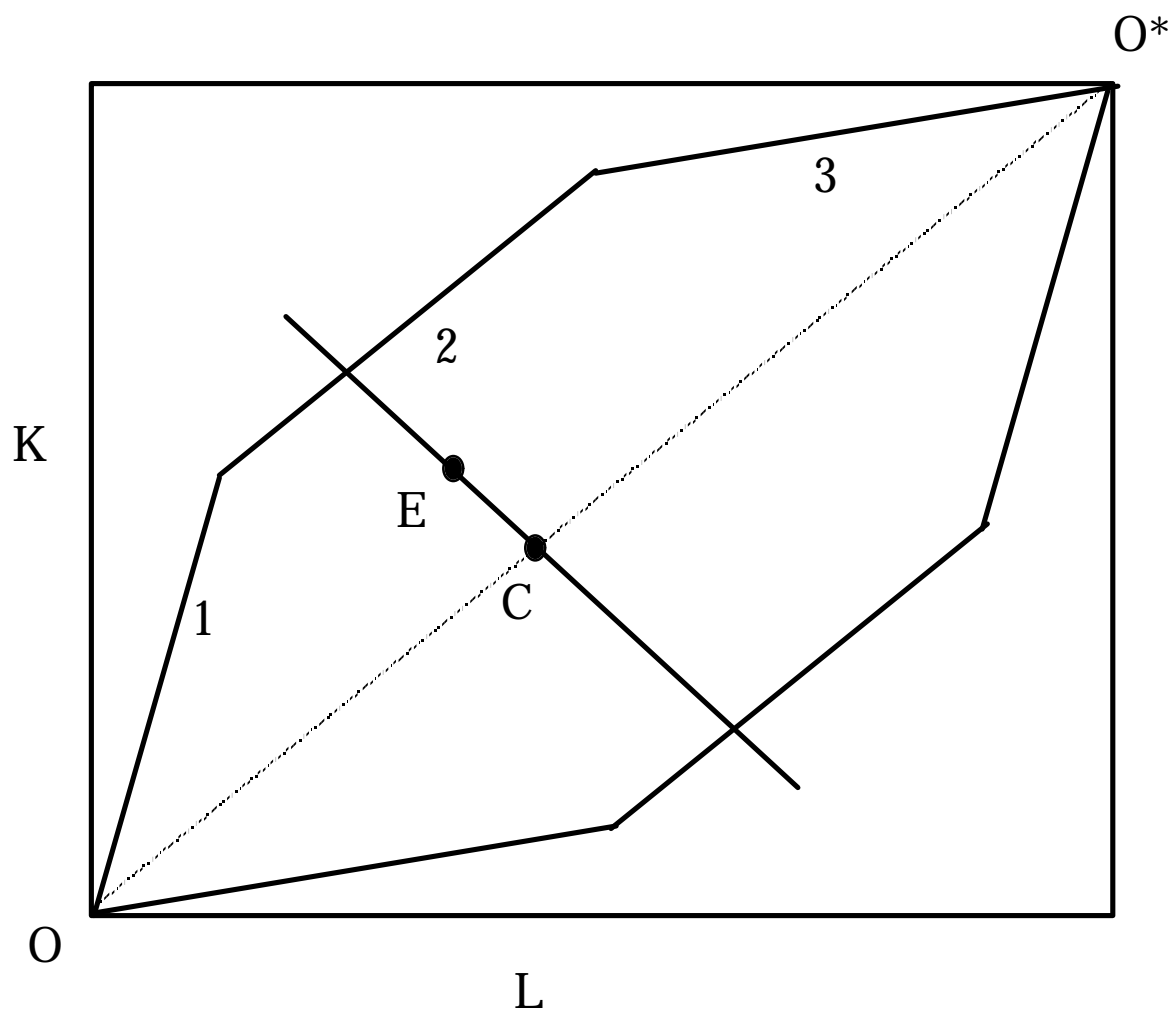


Figure 2: Trade Costs and Production Indeterminacy

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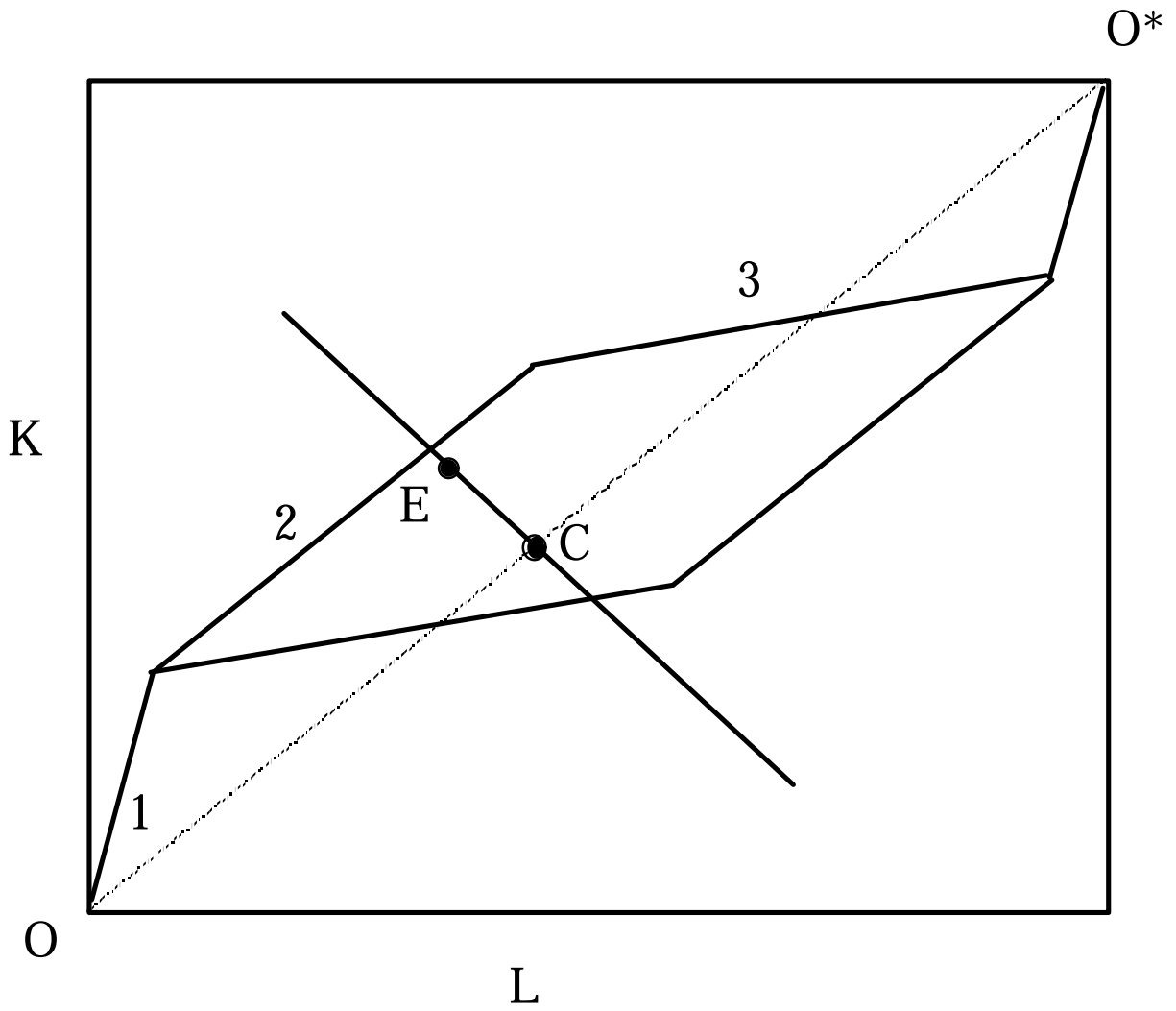


Figure 3: Trade Costs and Production Indeterminacy

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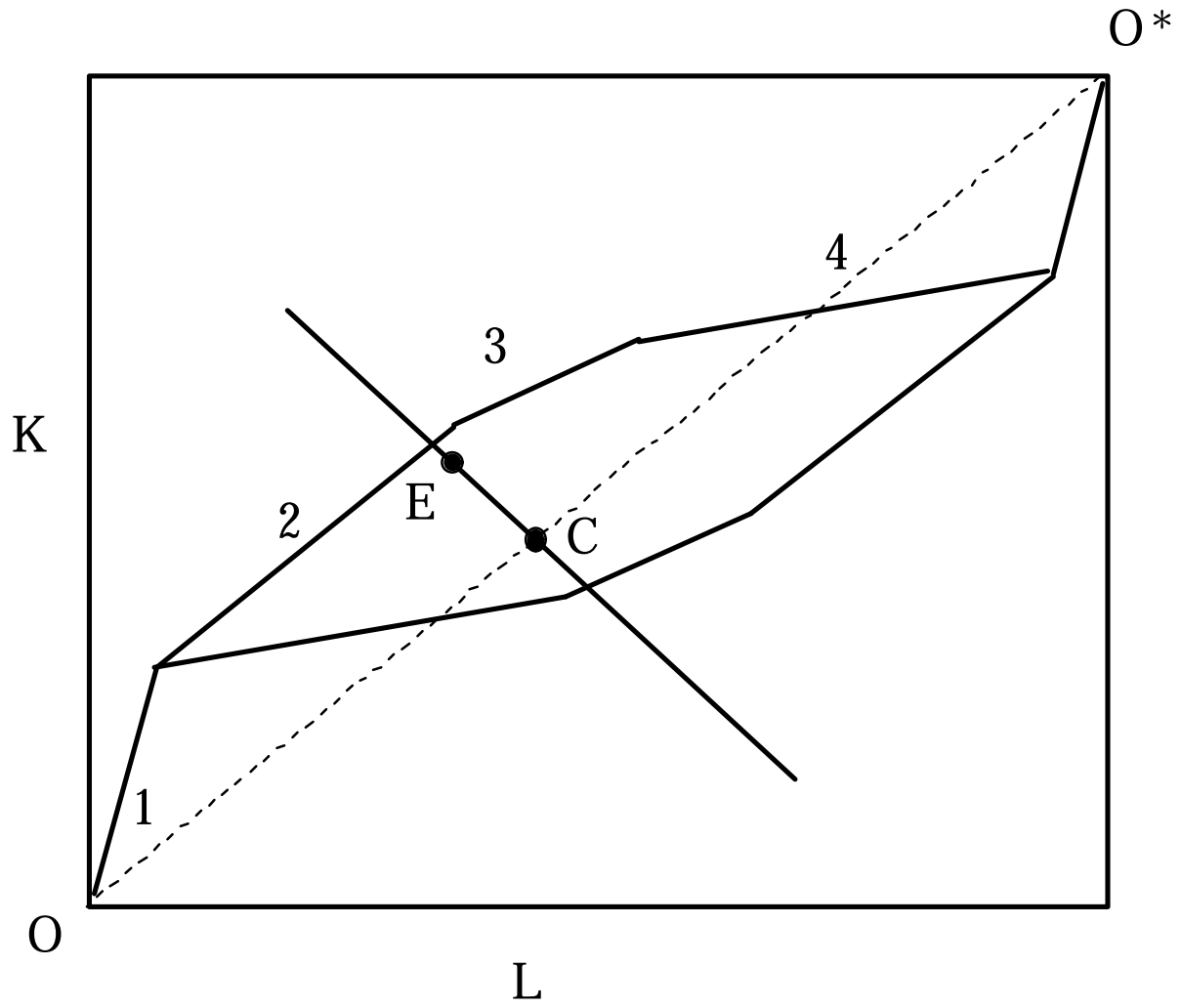


Figure 4: Predicted Versus Actual Endowment
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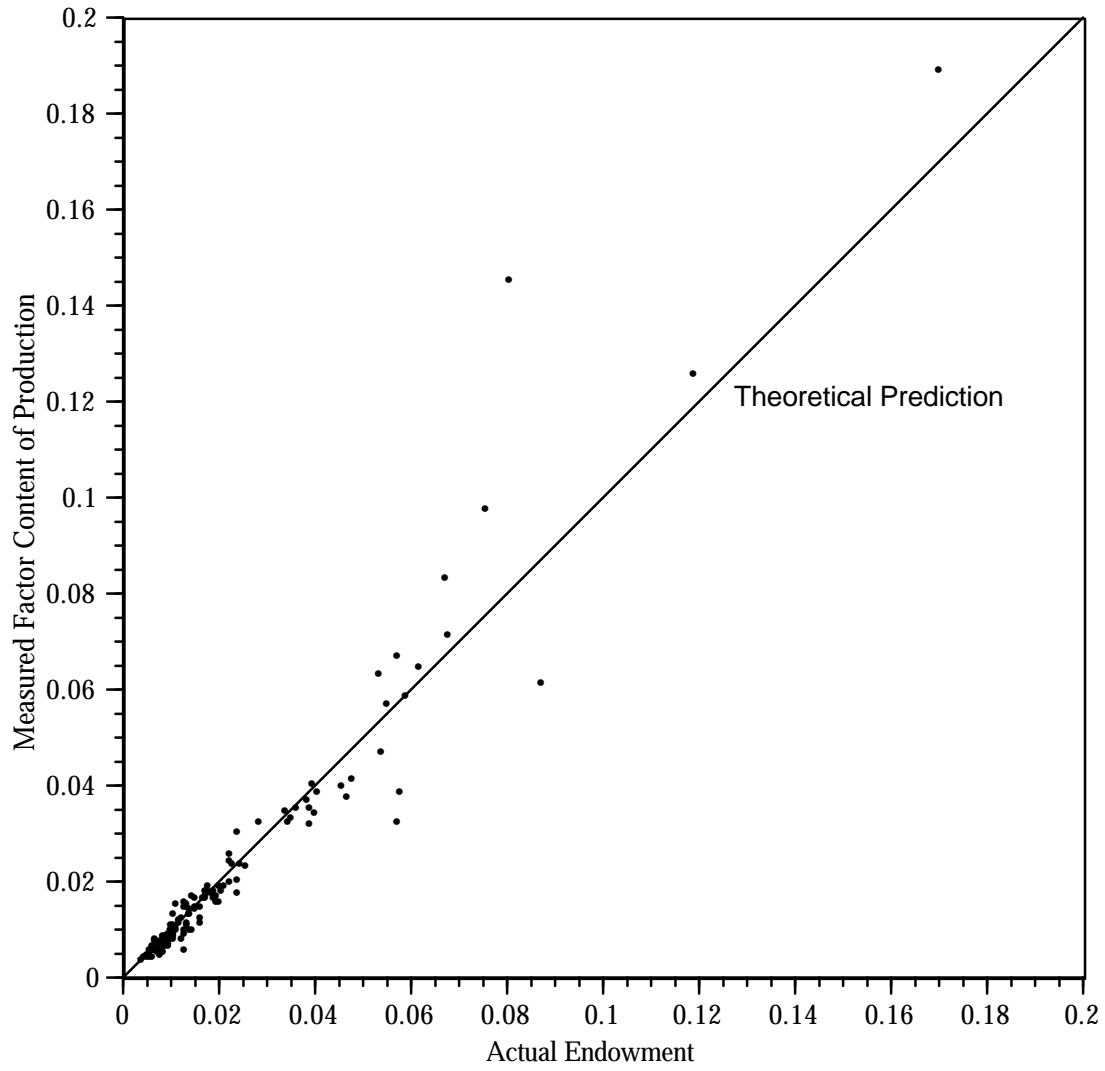


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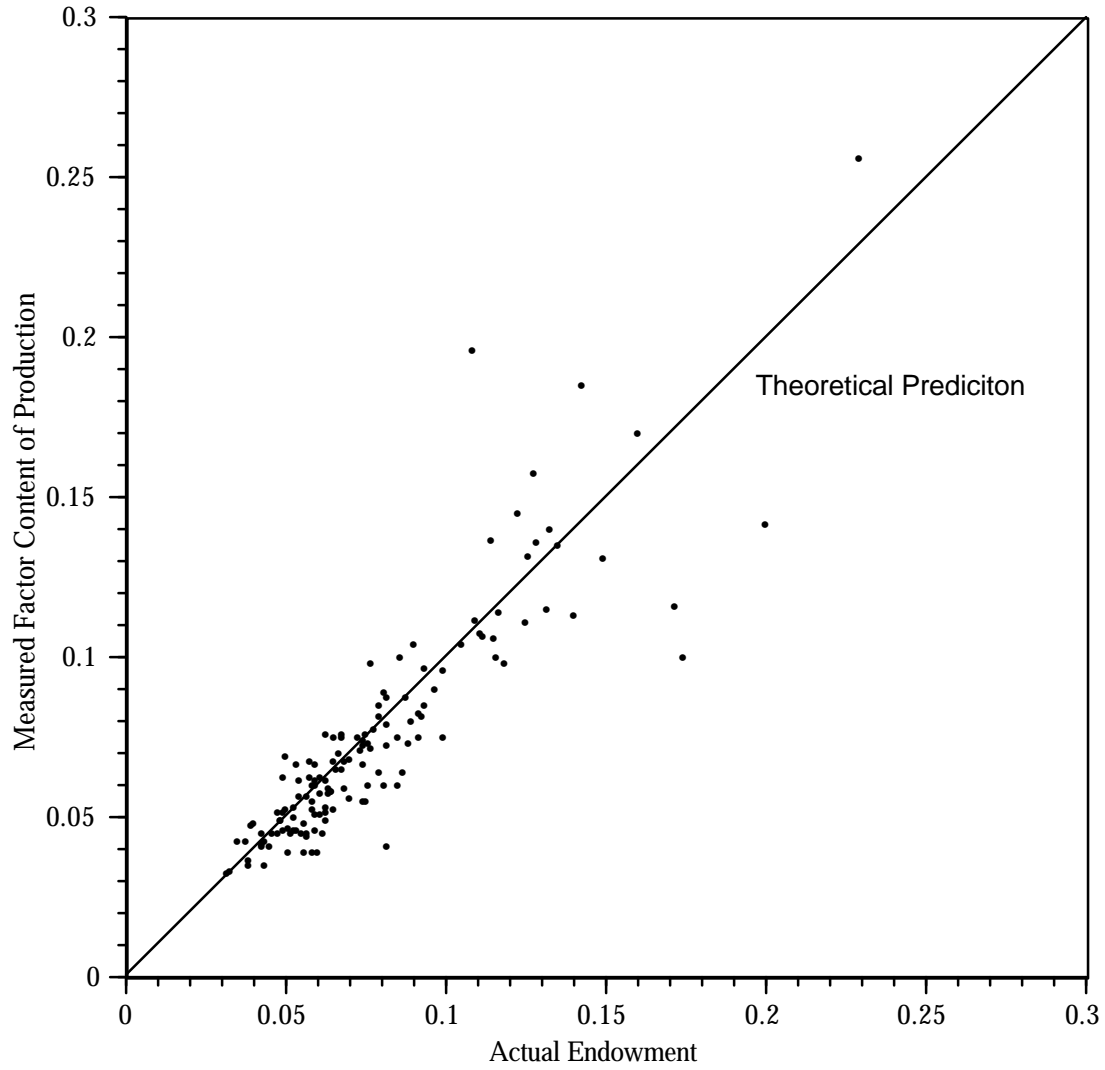


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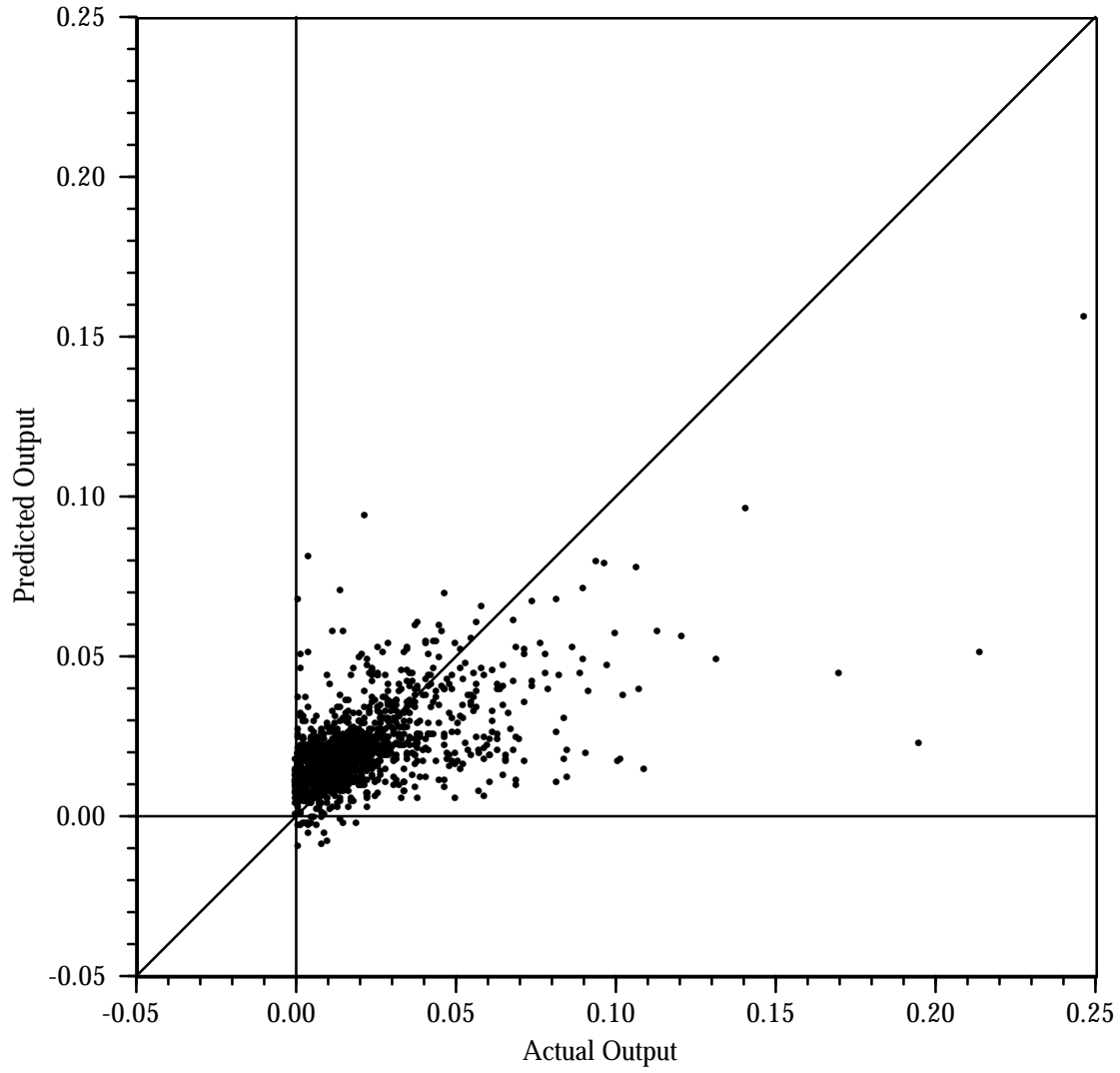


Table 1**Sample Statistics**

Japanese Regional Data

	Mean	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of Variation	Minimum	Maximum
Number of Non- College Graduates	1349475	1088710	0.81	372125	5098118
Number of College Graduates	363057	500328	1.38	62628	2898431
Capital Stock	6433723	6428413	1.00	1469625	35838100
Number of 4-year College Graduates	231057	342366	1.48	36324	1980297
Number of 2-year College Graduates	131999	158831	1.20	26304	918127
Number of High School Graduates	838674	752495	0.90	231544	3697818
Number with less than High School	510799	352666	0.69	140580	1491256
Arable and Urban Land	1731	2311	1.33	453	16487
Mountain and Forest Land	1803	1784	0.99	215	11873
GDP	6833167	9082048	1.33	1327762	55100600

Table 1 (Continued)

	International Data				
	Mean	Standard Dev	Coefficient of Variation	Minimum	Maximum
Number of Non College Graduates	14951523	19608955	1.31	992420	79190398
Number of College Graduates	3306250	8048680	2.43	73008	37609602
Capital Stock	753060000	1303170000	1.73	46403000	5714800000
Arable Land	18860	40437	2.14	771	189799
Mineral Output	146354	409690	2.80	22	1935810
GDP	459701000	855778000	1.86	25541100	3962220000

All nominal variables in the regional data set are expressed as millions of yen.

All nominal variables in the international data set are expressed as thousands of dollars.

Land is in square kilometers in the Japanese data and in thousands of hectares in the international data.

Table 2**Coefficient of Variation in Regional Output Data**

Hokkaido	1.70	Shiga	1.32
Aomori	1.83	Kyoto	1.08
Iwate	1.42	Osaka	0.91
Miyagi	1.45	Hyogo	1.05
Akita	1.36	Nara	1.34
Yamagata	1.57	Wakayama	1.57
Fukushima	1.43	Tottori	1.70
Ibaraki	1.12	Shimane	0.99
Tochigi	1.32	Okayama	1.11
Gumma	1.54	Hiroshima	1.41
Saitama	1.07	Yamaguchi	1.35
Chiba	1.23	Tokushima	1.22
Tokyo	1.25	Kagawa	0.96
Kanagawa	1.34	Ehime	1.07
Niigata	0.94	Kochi	1.04
Toyama	1.07	Fukuoka	0.97
Ishikawa	1.52	Saga	1.31
Fukui	1.50	Nagasaki	1.65
Yamanashi	1.76	Kumamoto	1.17
Nagano	1.68	Oita	1.12
Gifu	0.88	Miyazaki	1.60
Shizuoka	1.18	Kagoshima	2.36
Aichi	1.70	Okinawa	1.96
Mie	1.11	Total Average	1.35

Table 3**Coefficients of Variation for Regional Output or International Production Data**

Industry	Regional Data	International Data	Int'l Data w/o US & New Zealand
Agriculture/Fishery	0.75		
Mining	1.54		
Construction	0.87		
Processed Food	0.81	1.94	1.29
Textiles	1.18	1.88	1.38
Apparel	0.94	2.10	1.30
Lumber and Wood	0.67	1.94	1.36
Furniture	1.04	1.65	1.23
Paper & Pulp	1.08	2.37	1.37
Publishing	2.64	2.33	1.43
Chemicals	1.14	2.13	1.52
Petroleum & Coal	1.57	2.56	1.48
Rubber	1.22	2.22	1.98
Leather & Footwear	1.98	1.39	1.22
Ceramics & Glass	0.83	1.81	1.61
Iron & Steel	1.34	1.81	1.74
Non-Ferrous Metals	1.04	2.20	1.36
Metal Products	1.14	2.25	1.79
General Machinery	1.11	2.22	1.75
Electrical Machinery	1.07	2.26	2.23
Transport Machinery	1.91	2.21	1.83
Precision Instrument	1.51	2.58	2.54
Other Manufacturing	1.08		
Transportation/Communication	1.47		
Electricity/Gas/Water	0.93		
Wholesale/Retail	1.56		
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	1.40		
Other Services	1.60		
Public Administration	0.92		
Total Average	1.25	2.10	1.60

Table 4

Coefficients of Variation for Production by Country

Australia	0.88
Austria	0.79
Benelus	0.87
Canada	0.86
Denmark	1.52
Finland	0.97
France	0.93
Germany	0.86
Greece	1.06
Ireland	1.74
Italy	0.74
Japan	0.75
Netherlands	1.34
New Zealand	1.21
Norway	0.98
Portugal	0.89
Spain	0.88
Sweden	0.77
Turkey	1.17
United Kingdom	0.88
USA	0.80
Yugoslavia	0.65
Average	0.98

Table 5
Deviations from the HOV Model of Production

$$\left| \frac{BX}{V} - 1 \right|$$

Prefectural Averages

Hokkaido	9%	Shiga	7%
Aomori	17%	Kyoto	5%
Iwate	13%	Osaka	20%
Miyagi	7%	Hyogo	5%
Akita	16%	Nara	31%
Yamagata	14%	Wakayama	11%
Fukushima	18%	Tottori	9%
Ibaraki	12%	Shimane	17%
Tochigi	14%	Okayama	6%
Gumma	11%	Hiroshima	6%
Saitama	20%	Yamaguchi	8%
Chiba	21%	Tokushima	14%
Tokyo	33%	Kagawa	10%
Kanagawa	11%	Ehime	7%
Niigata	19%	Kochi	10%
Toyama	7%	Fukuoka	6%
Ishikawa	12%	Saga	12%
Fukui	14%	Nagasaki	11%
Yamanashi	10%	Kumamoto	8%
Nagano	14%	Oita	8%
Gifu	6%	Miyazaki	11%
Shizuoka	16%	Kagoshima	11%
Aichi	15%	Okinawa	27%
Mie	11%	Total Average	13%

Factor Averages

Non-college	17%
College	14%
Capital	7%
Total Average	13%

Table 6
Correlation Between Endowment Deviations and Factor Intensity of Production

Tests	Noncollege	College	Capital
<i>I. Sign Tests</i>			
$(V^i - V^j)T_B(X^i - X^j)$ Negative	61	75	32
% Negative	5.64	6.94	2.96
<i>II. Within-Factor Correlations</i>			
Raw Correlation	0.96	0.99	1.00
Rank Correlation	0.98	0.96	0.99
<i>III. Cross-Factor Correlations</i>			
Average Raw Correlation	= 0.84		
Average Rank Correlation	= 0.78		

Table 7: Three Factor Model, Weight = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{GDP}}}$ **(Standard Errors in Parentheses, Constant Not Reported)**

Dependent Variable	Non-College	College	Capital	Number of Positive Observations	R ²
Agriculture/Fishery	0.375 (0.152)	-1.548 (0.265)	0.060 (0.036)	47	0.511
Mining	-0.039 (0.024)	-0.122 (0.042)	0.022 (0.006)	47	0.290
Construction	0.157 (0.123)	-0.022 (0.215)	0.160 (0.029)	47	0.882
Processed Food	0.647 (0.192)	-0.524 (0.334)	0.019 (0.046)	47	0.566
Textiles	0.049 (0.194)	-0.124 (0.338)	0.020 (0.046)	47	0.006
Apparel	0.075 (0.043)	0.016 (0.075)	-0.009 (0.010)	47	0.014
Lumber and Wood	0.048 (0.041)	-0.247 (0.072)	0.016 (0.010)	47	0.226
Furniture	0.052 (0.026)	-0.001 (0.045)	-0.003 (0.006)	47	0.223
Paper & Pulp	0.297 (0.108)	-0.059 (0.187)	-0.028 (0.026)	47	0.236
Publishing	-0.475 (0.122)	0.677 (0.213)	0.094 (0.029)	47	0.629
Chemicals	0.585 (0.324)	1.152 (0.563)	-0.102 (0.077)	47	0.282
Petroleum & Coal	-0.071 (0.360)	0.837 (0.627)	0.014 (0.085)	47	0.123
Rubber	0.068 (0.047)	0.064 (0.081)	-0.005 (0.011)	45	0.250
Leather & Footwear	-0.004 (0.020)	0.102 (0.035)	-0.001 (0.005)	44	0.360
Ceramics & Glass	0.198 (0.110)	-0.065 (0.192)	-0.006 (0.026)	47	0.105
Iron & Steel	0.189 (0.315)	0.488 (0.548)	0.014 (0.075)	47	0.264
Non-Ferrous Metals	0.299 (0.076)	0.092 (0.132)	-0.030 (0.018)	43	0.278

Table 7 (Continued)

Dependent Variable	Non-College	College	Capital	Number of Positive Observations	R ²
Metal Products	0.335 (0.167)	0.438 (0.291)	-0.034 (0.040)	47	0.393
General Machinery	0.825 (0.324)	1.238 (0.565)	-0.115 (0.077)	47	0.446
Electrical Machinery	1.207 (0.478)	1.774 (0.831)	-0.201 (0.113)	47	0.331
Transport Machinery	1.125 (0.815)	0.470 (1.419)	-0.064 (0.194)	47	0.251
Precision Instrument	0.049 (0.092)	0.116 (0.161)	-0.0006 (0.022)	47	0.140
Other Manufacturing	0.526 (0.147)	0.601 (0.256)	-0.091 (0.035)	47	0.429
Transport & Com.	-0.682 (0.137)	0.904 (0.238)	0.205 (0.033)	47	0.852
Electricity/Gas/Water	-0.043 (0.159)	-0.131 (0.276)	0.079 (0.038)	47	0.338
Wholesale/Retail	-1.219 (0.398)	0.975 (0.694)	0.433 (0.095)	47	0.723
Finance/Ins./Real Est.	-0.626 (0.223)	2.082 (0.389)	0.214 (0.053)	47	0.857
Other Services	-2.078 (0.438)	2.141 (0.763)	0.600 (0.104)	47	0.788
Public Administration	-0.096 (0.095)	-0.170 (0.166)	0.141 (0.023)	47	0.796

Table 8
Errors in Prediction of Output

$$\left| \frac{\Omega V}{X} - 1 \right|$$

(Three Factors, 1/SQRT(GDP) Weighting)

Prefectural Averages

Hokkaido	503%	Shiga	120%
Aomori	575%	Kyoto	287%
Iwate	303%	Osaka	112%
Miyagi	115%	Hyogo	42%
Akita	161%	Nara	226%
Yamagata	167%	Wakayama	160%
Fukushima	75%	Tottori	423%
Ibaraki	50%	Shimane	279%
Tochigi	90%	Okayama	50%
Gumma	116%	Hiroshima	158%
Saitama	122%	Yamaguchi	187%
Chiba	124%	Tokushima	426%
Tokyo	271%	Kagawa	50%
Kanagawa	156%	Ehime	279%
Niigata	110%	Kochi	469%
Toyama	70%	Fukuoka	151%
Ishikawa	332%	Saga	384%
Fukui	241%	Nagasaki	2131%
Yamanashi	270%	Kumamoto	376%
Nagano	183%	Oita	68%
Gifu	165%	Miyazaki	523%
Shizuoka	60%	Kagoshima	1007%
Aichi	49%	Okinawa	2120%
Mie	53%	Total Average	304%

Table 8 (Continued)

Industry Averages

Agriculture/Fishery	56%
Mining	120%
Construction	9%
Processed Food	37%
Textiles	294%
Apparel	93%
Lumber and Wood	45%
Furniture	102%
Paper & Pulp	117%
Publishing	91%
Chemicals	406%
Petroleum & Coal	2165%
Rubber	419%
Leather & Footwear	539%
Ceramics & Glass	49%
Iron & Steel	312%
Non-Ferrous Metals	945%
Metal Products	82%
General Machinery	336%
Electrical Machinery	516%
Transport Machinery	556%
Precision Instrument	1266%
Other Manufacturing	141%
Transportation/Communication	20%
Electricity/Gas/Water	38%
Wholesale/Retail	26%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	15%
Other Services	23%
Public Administration	12%
Total Average	304%

Table 9a
Errors in Prediction of Output

$$\left| \frac{\Omega V}{X} - 1 \right|$$

(Five Factors, 1/SQRT(GDP) Weighting)

Prefectural Average Errors

Hokkaido	243%	Shiga	109%
Aomori	369%	Kyoto	282%
Iwate	239%	Osaka	86%
Miyagi	136%	Hyogo	46%
Akita	78%	Nara	233%
Yamagata	115%	Wakayama	161%
Fukushima	78%	Tottori	344%
Ibaraki	51%	Shimane	454%
Tochigi	78%	Okayama	51%
Gumma	93%	Hiroshima	176%
Saitama	108%	Yamaguchi	206%
Chiba	75%	Tokushima	463%
Tokyo	273%	Kagawa	52%
Kanagawa	158%	Ehime	286%
Niigata	144%	Kochi	776%
Toyama	76%	Fukuoka	184%
Ishikawa	353%	Saga	338%
Fukui	340%	Nagasaki	2253%
Yamanashi	231%	Kumamoto	345%
Nagano	196%	Oita	62%
Gifu	224%	Miyazaki	549%
Shizuoka	63%	Kagoshima	866%
Aichi	38%	Okinawa	2314%
Mie	55%	Total Average	305%

Table 9a (Continued)**Industry Average Errors and Regression R²'s**

Industry	Error	R ²
Agriculture/Fishery	35%	0.780
Mining	118%	0.349
Construction	9%	0.910
Processed Food	35%	0.584
Textiles	248%	0.207
Apparel	79%	0.172
Lumber and Wood	39%	0.346
Furniture	95%	0.365
Paper & Pulp	108%	0.252
Publishing	96%	0.637
Chemicals	334%	0.363
Petroleum & Coal	2244%	0.142
Rubber	398%	0.375
Leather & Footwear	533%	0.361
Ceramics & Glass	47%	0.173
Iron & Steel	298%	0.329
Non-Ferrous Metals	1117%	0.394
Metal Products	73%	0.545
General Machinery	294%	0.605
Electrical Machinery	540%	0.364
Transport Machinery	569%	0.405
Precision Instrument	1278%	0.146
Other Manufacturing	133%	0.553
Transportation/Communication	21%	0.859
Electricity/Gas/Water	35%	0.389
Wholesale/Retail	28%	0.767
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	15%	0.860
Other Services	24%	0.791
Public Administration	11%	0.852
Total Average	305%	0.478

Table 9b
Errors in Prediction of Output

$$\left| \frac{\Omega V}{X} - 1 \right|$$

(Seven Factors, 1/SQRT(GDP) Weighting)

Prefectural Average Errors

Hokkaido	279%	Shiga	65%
Aomori	432%	Kyoto	209%
Iwate	180%	Osaka	78%
Miyagi	150%	Hyogo	45%
Akita	123%	Nara	238%
Yamagata	193%	Wakayama	158%
Fukushima	79%	Tottori	771%
Ibaraki	48%	Shimane	653%
Tochigi	106%	Okayama	51%
Gumma	39%	Hiroshima	126%
Saitama	58%	Yamaguchi	206%
Chiba	55%	Tokushima	347%
Tokyo	190%	Kagawa	62%
Kanagawa	153%	Ehime	295%
Niigata	143%	Kochi	760%
Toyama	86%	Fukuoka	192%
Ishikawa	247%	Saga	403%
Fukui	448%	Nagasaki	1985%
Yamanashi	179%	Kumamoto	284%
Nagano	166%	Oita	76%
Gifu	86%	Miyazaki	567%
Shizuoka	51%	Kagoshima	928%
Aichi	41%	Okinawa	3014%
Mie	50%	Total Average	316%

Table 9b (Continued)**Industry Average Errors and Regression R²'s**

Industry	Error	R ²
Agriculture/Fishery	32%	0.798
Mining	115%	0.366
Construction	9%	0.928
Processed Food	35%	0.605
Textiles	300%	0.241
Apparel	79%	0.223
Lumber and Wood	39%	0.349
Furniture	94%	0.404
Paper & Pulp	131%	0.274
Publishing	104%	0.697
Chemicals	501%	0.474
Petroleum & Coal	2200%	0.370
Rubber	355%	0.405
Leather & Footwear	525%	0.362
Ceramics & Glass	47%	0.192
Iron & Steel	347%	0.523
Non-Ferrous Metals	852%	0.419
Metal Products	73%	0.547
General Machinery	316%	0.606
Electrical Machinery	406%	0.368
Transport Machinery	657%	0.417
Precision Instrument	1652%	0.171
Other Manufacturing	158%	0.570
Transportation/Communication	21%	0.866
Electricity/Gas/Water	36%	0.472
Wholesale/Retail	30%	0.784
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	16%	0.870
Other Services	23%	0.817
Public Administration	11%	0.872
Total Average	316%	0.517

Table 10

Comparison of Models Using the Schwartz Criterion

Model	Log-Likelihood	Schwartz Criterion
Three Factor Model	-11,502	-11,921
Five Factor Model	-11,430	-12,058
SevenFactor Model	-11,367	-12,205

The Schwartz criterion = $\log(\text{likelihood}) - p/2 \cdot \log(n)$, where p is the number of estimated parameters and n is the number of observations. Higher values are preferred.

3-factor model: non-college-educated labor, college-educated labor, and capital

5-factor model: same as above, plus usable land and undeveloped mountain/forest land

7-factor model: capital, the 2 land variables, and 4 labor variables corresponding to the level of education (below high school, high school, two-year college, four-year college)

Table 11

Average Prediction Error for Factor Endowments Using International Data

$$\left| \frac{BX}{V} - 1 \right|$$

Country Averages

Argentina	91%
Austria	171%
Canada	28%
Finland	22%
Germany (West)	333%
India	72%
Indonesia	61%
Ireland	80%
Israel	29%
Italy	110%
Mexico	56%
New Zealand	115%
Norway	59%
Philippines	53%
Portugal	42%
Singapore	101%
Spain	38%
Thailand	51%
Turkey	48%
U.S.A.	67%
Total Average	81%

Factor Averages

	Capital Stock	Non-College-Educated Labor	College Graduates	All Factors
All Countries	54%	71%	119%	81%

Table 12
Correlation Between Endowment Deviations and Factor Intensity of Production
for International Data

Tests	Noncollege	College	Capital
<i>I. Sign Tests</i>			
$(V^i - V^j)T_B(X^i - X^j)$ Negative	43	66	45
% Negative	22.6	34.7	23.7
<i>II. Within-Factor Correlations</i>			
Raw Correlation	0.21	0.24	0.20
Rank Correlation	0.60	0.34	0.75
<i>III. Cross-Factor Correlations</i>			
Average Raw Correlation	= 0.37		
Average Rank Correlation	= 0.34		

Table 13
Average Prediction Error for Outputs and Regression R²'s
Using International Data (5 Factors, 1/SQRT(GDP) Weighting)

Country Average Errors	
Australia	73%
Austria	26%
Belgium/Luxembourg	44%
Canada	31%
Denmark	64%
Finland	42%
France	43%
Germany (West)	45%
Great Britain	20%
Greece	66%
Ireland	101%
Italy	48%
Japan	14%
Netherlands	86%
New Zealand	76%
Norway	114%
Portugal	97%
Spain	41%
Sweden	50%
Turkey	308%
United States	7%
Yugoslavia	69%
Total Average	67%

Industry Average Errors and Regression R²'s		
Industry	Error	R²
Processed Food	25%	0.911
Textiles	43%	0.876
Apparel	50%	0.918
Lumber and Wood	50%	0.744
Furniture	34%	0.763
Paper & Pulp	98%	0.720
Publishing	42%	0.869
Chemicals	36%	0.960
Petroleum & Coal	111%	0.853
Rubber	50%	0.896
Leather & Footwear	78%	0.610
Ceramics & Glass	25%	0.896
Iron & Steel	50%	0.881
Non-Ferrous Metals	49%	0.942
Metal Products	35%	0.915
General Machinery	54%	0.954
Electrical Machinery	64%	0.873
Transport Machinery	53%	0.960
Precision Instrument	317%	0.863

Total Average	67%	0.863
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DATA APPENDIX

PREFECTURAL ENDOWMENTS

The numbers of workers by educational attainment were entered by prefecture directly from the *Employment Status Survey* of 1987 (*Shugyo Kozo Kihon Chosa Hokoku*). The capital stocks were imputed from prefectural investment data. Japan's yearly *Prefectural Accounts* (*Kenmin Keizai Keisan Nempo*) give investment flows for each prefecture from 1975 to 1985. These flows were used to impute capital stock levels for each prefecture in 1985, using capital goods price deflators from the *National Accounts* (*Kokumin Keizai Keisan Nempo*) and a rate of depreciation of 0.133 (This was the same rate of depreciation used by Bowen, Leamer, and Sveikauskas (1987)). Each year's flow was deflated using a capital deflator from the *National Accounts*.

WORLD ENDOWMENTS

World endowments of capital stocks were calculated using investment flows between 1975 and 1985 from the Summers and Heston (1988) data set. As in the prefectural data, we used a perpetual inventory method (with a depreciation rate of 0.133) and capital price deflators from Summers and Heston to calculate capital stocks. In order to maintain compatibility with Davis, Weinstein et al. (1997) world endowments of labor force by educational level were taken from the *UNESCO Statistical Yearbook*. Once again we had a scaling problem arising from the fact that the Summers and Heston numbers and the *UNESCO* numbers did not match the Japanese numbers exactly. We therefore scaled each country's capital stock by the ratio of our calculated Japanese capital stock to the Summers and Heston value for the Japanese capital stock. The imputed international labor endowments were similarly scaled by the proportional difference between the *UNESCO* numbers and the actual Japanese endowments. For our regressions of international output on endowments, land data was taken from Leamer (1984) and mineral output data from Davis and Weinstein (1996). Education data was taken from Reeve (1998). Reeve assembled a broad cross-section of education endowment data by using Barro and Lee data on shares of the population over 25 with various levels of education (from the *UNESCO* source above) and multiplying it by labor force numbers from Summers and Heston.

PREFECTURAL PRODUCTION

The gross output of 20 manufacturing sectors in each prefecture was taken from the Japanese *Census of Manufactures* for 1985. The gross output of 9 non-manufacturing sectors in each prefecture was taken from the *Prefectural Accounts* for 1985. Finally, these totals were scaled so that the 47-prefectural total for each sector exactly matched the total Japanese output as reported in the *1985 Input-Output Table of Japan*. Thus, in effect, the data from the *Census of Manufactures* and from the *Prefectural Accounts* was used in order to distribute total Japanese output for each sector across the 47 prefectures as accurately as possible.

WORLD PRODUCTION

Data on international levels of production used in tests of $BX = V$ came from the United Nations' *National Accounts Statistics: Main Aggregates and Detailed Tables, 1985*. These numbers differed slightly from the numbers reported in the Japanese IO table, so the output of each sector in every country's output was scaled by the factor necessary to make the international data on Japan match the IO data. Where countries only reported value added rather than gross output, we scaled the value added by the ratio of gross output to value added in that sector in Japan. The

data were then converted to Yen using exchange rate data from the *IMF's International Financial Statistics*.

Because the COMTAP database provides more detailed sales numbers than the UN, we used COMTAP data for our regressions. Data on OECD production was taken from the COMTAP Database. This data was graciously provided by James Harrigan and is available in Feenstra et al. (1997)

TECHNOLOGY

Each element of the 3x29 technology matrix B was calculated by dividing Japanese total output for the 29 sectors into the number of each factor present in each sector. Most of the data on college and non-college workers in each sector came from the 1988 *Wage Census*. There were some gaps in this data as follows: 1) There was no data for college and non-college workers for agriculture, forestry, and fisheries or for government. These numbers were taken from the 1987 *Employment Status Survey*. 2) There was also no data for the petroleum/coal and leather industries. Total employment for each of these sectors was taken from the 1985 *Census of Manufactures*. The number of college workers per unit output for each was then imputed by assuming that petroleum/coal has the same fraction of college workers as the chemicals sector and that leather has the same fraction as manufacturing overall. The capital stocks in each of the 29 sectors were imputed from investment numbers, using the *Annual Report of the Corporation Survey* for non-manufacturing and the *Census of Manufactures* for manufacturing.

RESULTS APPENDIX

The following tables give regression outputs for the indicated specifications.

Table A1: Prefectural Data, 5-Factor Model

Table A2: Prefectural Data, 7-Factor Model

Table A3: International Data, 5-Factor Model

Table A1: Prefectural Data, 5-Factor Model**(Standard Errors in Parentheses, Constant Not Reported)**

Dependent Variable	Non-College	College	Capital	Usable Land	Mountain or Forest	R ²
Agriculture/Fishery	0.303 (0.110)	-0.364 (0.252)	-0.262 (0.029)	110.6 (18.811)	-2.50 (16.622)	0.780
Mining	-0.043 (0.025)	-0.049 (0.058)	0.016 (0.007)	7.08 (4.31)	-0.556 (3.81)	0.172
Construction	0.132 (0.116)	0.584 (0.267)	0.113 (0.030)	66.2 (19.9)	-5.95 (17.6)	0.910
Processed Food	0.651 (0.203)	-0.221 (0.465)	-0.007 (0.053)	45.8 (34.6)	-27.4 (0.606)	0.584
Textiles	0.107 (0.184)	-1.10 (0.421)	0.092 (0.048)	-92.3 (31.4)	3.62 (27.7)	0.207
Apparel	0.074 (0.042)	-0.131 (0.097)	0.004 (0.011)	-21.0 (7.20)	11.3 (6.36)	0.172
Lumber and Wood	0.031 (0.041)	-0.155 (0.094)	0.012 (0.011)	-0.832 (7.03)	14.21 (6.21)	0.346
Furniture	0.057 (0.026)	-0.118 (0.058)	0.006 (0.007)	-11.6 (4.36)	1.47 (3.85)	0.365
Paper & Pulp	0.291 (0.115)	-0.142 (0.264)	-0.020 (0.030)	-16.8 (19.6)	13.9 (17.4)	0.252
Publishing	-0.461 (0.131)	0.497 (0.300)	0.106 (0.034)	-14.6 (22.3)	-2.95 (19.7)	0.637
Chemicals	0.601 (0.330)	0.160 (0.755)	-0.021 (0.086)	-128 (56.2)	56.6 (49.7)	0.363
Petroleum & Coal	-0.122 (0.386)	0.948 (0.882)	0.014 (0.100)	-25.1 (65.7)	54.0 (58.0)	0.142
Rubber	0.073 (0.045)	-0.123 (0.102)	0.010 (0.012)	-16.9 (7.59)	-1.25 (6.70)	0.375
Leather & Footwear	-0.006 (0.021)	0.100 (0.048)	-0.0007 (0.005)	-0.163 (3.55)	-5.09 (3.14)	0.361

Table A1 (Continued)

Dependent Variable	Non-College	College	Capital	Usable Land	Mountain or Forest	R ²
Ceramics & Glass	0.201 (0.114)	-0.340 (0.261)	0.017 (0.030)	-36.7 (19.5)	17.5 (17.2)	0.173
Iron & Steel	0.220 (0.326)	-0.441 (0.744)	0.087 (0.085)	-107 (55.5)	33.6 (49.0)	0.329
Non-Ferrous Metals	0.241 (0.070)	-0.136 (0.161)	-0.014 (0.018)	-13.4 (12.0)	-15.4 (10.6)	0.394
Metal Products	0.419 (0.157)	-0.315 (0.358)	0.014 (0.041)	-40.4 (26.7)	-44.3 (23.6)	0.545
General Machinery	0.951 (0.297)	-0.573 (0.678)	0.014 (0.077)	-157 (50.5)	-14.9 (44.6)	0.605
Electrical Machinery	1.30 (0.505)	0.730 (0.153)	-0.131 (0.131)	-72.3 (85.9)	-36.3 (75.9)	0.364
Transport Machinery	1.32 (0.788)	-3.36 (1.80)	0.222 (0.205)	-385 (134)	51.0 (118)	0.405
Precision Instrument	0.056 (0.100)	0.044 (0.228)	0.004 (0.026)	-4.85 (16.9)	-2.70 (15.0)	0.146
Other Manufacturing	0.589 (0.141)	-0.069 (0.322)	-0.047 (0.037)	-44.8 (24.0)	-25.6 (21.2)	0.553
Transportation & Communication	-0.685 (0.144)	0.674 (0.331)	0.225 (0.038)	-35.2 (24.7)	21.5 (21.8)	0.859
Electricity/Gas/Water	-0.016 (0.165)	-0.590 (0.377)	0.113 (0.043)	-44.4 (28.1)	3.39 (24.8)	0.389
Wholesale/Retail	-1.12 (0.396)	-0.677 (0.906)	0.553 (0.103)	-153 (67.5)	1.91 (59.6)	0.767
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	-0.623 (0.239)	1.77 (0.546)	0.240 (0.062)	-42.7 (40.7)	21.2 (35.9)	0.860
Other Services	-2.06 (0.471)	1.65 (1.08)	0.639 (0.123)	-59.5 (80.3)	21.9 (71.0)	0.791
Public Administration	-0.131 (0.088)	0.351 (0.200)	0.103 (0.023)	45.6 (14.9)	3.49 (13.2)	0.852

Table A2: Prefectural Data 7-Factor Model**(Standard Errors in Parentheses, Constant Not Reported)**

Dependent Variable	Less Than HS	High School	2-year College	College	Capital	Land in Use	Forest or Mount.	R ²
Agriculture/Fishery	0.563 (0.247)	-0.165 (0.261)	-2.99 (1.87)	0.791 (0.703)	-0.018 (0.029)	115 (18.7)	-7.08 (16.8)	0.798
Mining	0.004 (0.058)	-0.100 (0.062)	0.161 (0.442)	-0.068 (0.166)	0.017 (0.007)	6.77 (4.42)	-1.39 (3.96)	0.366
Construction	0.434 (0.244)	-0.400 (0.258)	5.80 (1.85)	-0.842 (0.695)	0.110 (0.028)	57.8 (18.5)	-21.1 (16.6)	0.928
Processed Food	0.439 (0.463)	1.08 (0.488)	-5.03 (3.51)	1.16 (1.31)	-0.003 (0.053)	53.6 (35.1)	-23.7 (31.4)	0.605
Textiles	0.581 (0.422)	-0.424 (0.444)	0.328 (3.19)	-1.08 (1.20)	0.098 (0.049)	-94.4 (31.9)	-4.62 (28.6)	0.241
Apparel	-0.042 (0.096)	0.162 (0.101)	0.465 (0.725)	-0.453 (0.272)	0.0008 (0.011)	-22.0 (7.25)	13.4 (6.50)	0.222
Lumber and Wood	-0.007 (0.096)	0.071 (0.101)	-0.219 (0.729)	-0.174 (0.273)	0.011 (0.011)	-0.749 (7.28)	14.9 (6.53)	0.349
Furniture	0.032 (0.044)	0.054 (0.038)	0.534 (0.326)	-0.363 (0.116)	0.005 (0.004)	-12.7 (3.34)	1.93 (3.71)	0.404
Paper & Pulp	0.242 (0.266)	0.245 (0.280)	1.94 (2.01)	-0.891 (0.755)	-0.024 (0.031)	-20.2 (20.1)	14.8 (18.0)	0.274
Publishing	-0.129 (0.280)	-1.02 (0.295)	5.76 (2.12)	-0.916 (0.795)	0.103 (0.032)	-23.1 (21.2)	-8.65 (19.0)	0.697
Chemicals	-0.220 (0.701)	2.03 (0.739)	-13.5 (5.31)	3.86 (1.99)	-0.013 (0.081)	-106 (53.1)	70.7 (47.6)	0.474
Petroleum & Coal	-1.00 (0.773)	1.68 (0.814)	-19.8 (5.85)	6.95 (2.20)	-0.033 (0.089)	8.58 (58.5)	69.1 (52.4)	0.370
Rubber	-0.007 (0.102)	0.182 (0.107)	-1.05 (0.770)	0.117 (0.289)	0.010 (0.012)	-15.4 (7.69)	-0.097 (6.89)	0.405
Leather & Footwear	0.0002 (0.049)	-0.859 (0.051)	0.011 (0.369)	0.137 (0.138)	-0.0004 (0.006)	-0.012 (3.69)	-0.623 (3.30)	0.362
Ceramics & Glass	0.338 (0.264)	0.133 (0.278)	-1.81 (2.0)	0.297 (0.751)	0.021 (0.031)	-34.2 (20.0)	15.1 (17.9)	0.192
Iron & Steel	-1.02 (0.642)	2.18 (0.676)	-16.9 (4.86)	3.75 (1.82)	0.093 (0.074)	-81.0 (48.6)	55.0 (43.6)	0.523
Non-Ferrous Metals	0.176 (0.161)	0.370 (0.170)	-1.59 (1.22)	0.283 (0.458)	-0.013 (0.018)	-11.1 (12.2)	-14.3 (10.9)	0.419
Metal Products	0.364 (0.366)	0.433 (0.385)	0.588 (2.77)	-0.676 (1.04)	-0.012 (0.042)	-41.9 (27.7)	-43.3 (24.8)	0.547

Table A2 (Continued)

Dependent Variable	Less Than HS	High School	2-year College	College	Capital	Land in Use	Forest or Mount.	R ²
General Machinery	0.993 (0.693)	0.856 (0.730)	0.615 (5.25)	-0.927 (1.97)	0.013 (0.080)	-159 (52.4)	-15.6 (47.0)	0.606
Electrical Machinery	0.870 (1.17)	1.87 (1.24)	-2.40 (8.90)	1.32 (3.34)	-0.133 (0.136)	-67.4 (89.0)	-28.8 (79.7)	0.368
Transport Machinery	2.77 (1.82)	-0.226 (1.92)	-.575 (13.8)	-2.76 (5.18)	0.240 (0.210)	-389 (138)	25.8 (124)	0.417
Precision Instrument	-0.76 (0.323)	0.119 (0.340)	1.53 (2.45)	-0.592 (0.918)	-0.0002 (0.037)	-7.38 (24.5)	-0.388 (21.9)	0.171
Other Manufacturing	0.716 (0.323)	0.336 (0.340)	2.77 (2.45)	-0.886 (0.918)	-0.050 (0.037)	-49.4 (24.5)	-27.8 (21.9)	0.570
Transport & Com.	-0.281 (0.33)	-1.12 (0.348)	1.61 (2.50)	0.789 (0.938)	0.230 (0.038)	-36.5 (25.0)	14.5 (22.4)	0.866
Electricity/Gas/ Water	0.442 (0.358)	-0.228 (0.378)	-5.93 (2.716)	1.68 (1.019)	0.128 (0.041)	-35.3 (27.1)	-4.70 (24.3)	0.472
Wholesale/Retail	-1.20 (0.891)	-1.56 (0.938)	11.2 (6.75)	-4.74 (2.53)	0.533 (0.103)	-173 (67.5)	3.64 (65.8)	0.784
Finance/Ins./Real Est.	-0.199 (0.538)	-1.32 (0.566)	7.90 (4.07)	0.165 (1.53)	0.237 (0.062)	-52.6 (40.7)	13.8 (36.5)	0.870
Other Services	-0.730 (1.03)	-4.04 (1.09)	16.3 (7.82)	-1.86 (2.93)	0.637 (0.119)	-82.9 (78.2)	-1.17 (70.0)	0.817
Public Administration	-0.003 (0.190)	-0.413 (0.200)	3.79 (1.44)	-0.663 (0.541)	0.010 (0.022)	40.1 (14.4)	1.30 (12.9)	0.872

Table A3: International Data 5-Factor Model
(Standard Errors in Parentheses, Constant Not Reported)

Dependent Variable	Non-College	College	Capital	Land	Fuel	R ²
Processed Food	-352 (262)	687 (1504)	0.046 (0.008)	-132 (121)	40.4 (19.1)	0.911
Textiles	-65.7 (71.8)	219 (412)	0.009 (0.002)	-7.42 (33.2)	-2.46 (5.23)	0.876
Apparel	-46.3 (31.7)	198 (182)	0.005 (0.001)	4.58 (14.6)	2.03 (2.31)	0.918
Lumber and Wood	-110 (63.6)	614 (365)	0.005 (0.002)	9.88 (29.4)	-0.204 (4.63)	0.744
Furniture	11.3 (32.9)	277 (189)	0.003 (0.001)	-13.0 (15.22)	-0.970 (2.40)	0.763
Paper & Pulp	-248 (154)	1460 (881)	0.009 (0.005)	-20.3 (70.9)	5.28 (11.2)	0.720
Publishing	-68.5 (98.0)	512 (562)	0.010 (0.003)	-43.4 (45.3)	16.2 (7.13)	0.869
Chemicals	1.16 (132)	1894 (759)	0.025 (0.004)	-259 (61.1)	25.6 (9.62)	0.959
Petroleum & Coal	-221 (311)	1989 (1783)	0.025 (0.010)	-86.2 (143)	143 (22.6)	0.853
Rubber	-128 (80.7)	245 (463)	0.014 (0.002)	-25.1 (37.3)	-1.56 (5.88)	0.896
Leather & Footwear	-5.87 (27.0)	-331 (155)	0.003 (0.0008)	11.9 (12.5)	-0.897 (1.96)	0.610
Ceramics & Glass	-61.3 (62.0)	-233 (356)	0.013 (0.002)	-9.67 (28.6)	-3.15 (4.51)	0.895
Iron & Steel	-12.30 (120)	-504 (691)	0.022 (0.004)	-61.5 (55.6)	-2.59 (8.76)	0.881
Non-Ferrous Metals	-109 (37.9)	129 (217)	0.007 (0.001)	26.8 (17.5)	5.84 (2.76)	0.942
Metal Products	-130 (124)	1977 (712)	0.015 (0.004)	-75.3 (57.3)	-0.001 (9.03)	0.915
General Machinery	-79.5 (144)	2831 (829)	0.024 (0.004)	-241 (66.7)	7.72 (10.51)	0.954
Electrical Machinery	-237 (224)	680 (1284)	0.033 (0.007)	-187 (103)	-3.81 (16.3)	0.873
Transport Machinery	-271 (176)	3925 (1008)	0.033 (0.005)	-154 (81.1)	-10.6 (12.79)	0.959
Precision Instruments	-29.6 (64.7)	908 (371)	0.005 (0.002)	-65.3 (29.9)	0.236 (4.71)	0.863