Agglomeration in China

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Today's Lecture

First we'll discuss the reduced form empirical estimates from Combes, Demurger, and Li (EER 2015)

Next we'll discuss Au and Henderson, ReStud 2006

However, before discussing their paper I will provide a quick background on "system of cities" models

This follows up on the discussion from last class (microfoundations of agglomeration) but adds some more detail (developers, sectors) that can be useful for understanding Au and Henderson (2006)

I will discuss a model from Duranton and Puga (2013): don't worry much about the equations and notation, but focus on the how sectors can affect optimal city size and how a central planner can overcome the inefficient equilibrium city size problem

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Overview of Combes, Demurger, Li (2015)

Goal: estimate impact of (rural) migrants on local (urban hukou) wages

Separate effect into two channels: 1) complementarity/substitution 2) agglomeration effects

Use micro data from 2007 Urban Household Survey for wages and individual characteristics of urban hukou holders

Use 2005 1% sample of Chinese Census for migrant share

Results: Find strong positive impact of migrant share on wages, estimate about 2/3 due to complementarity, 1/3 agglomeration

Empirical Strategy: Basic Estimating Equations

Let $L_c^T = L_c^N + L_c^M$, then typical wage on migrant share equation:

$$log(w_i) = X_i \alpha + \lambda MigSh_c + \epsilon_i$$
 (1)

Let $Den_c^T = L_c^T/Area_c$, then typical wage agglomeration equation (note they were missing log on RHS):

$$log(w_i) = X_i \alpha + \beta log(Den_c^T) + \epsilon_i$$
 (2)

But:

$$Den_c^T = \frac{L_c^N + L_c^M}{Area_c} * \frac{L_c^N}{L_c^N} = \frac{Den_c^N}{1 - MigSh_c}$$
(3)

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Density and Migration in Same Wage Equation

$$Den_c^T = \frac{Den_c^N}{1 - MigSh_c}$$
 (3)

If we plug eq3 into agglomeration equation we have:

$$log(w_i) = X_i \alpha + \beta log(Den_c^N) - \beta log(1 - MigSh_c) + \epsilon_i$$
 (4)

To allow for complementarity/substitutability (eq1), assume this is also a function of $log(1 - MigSh_c)$, then:

$$log(w_i) = X_i \alpha + \beta log(Den_c^N) - (\beta + \tilde{\lambda})log(1 - MigSh_c) + \epsilon_i$$
 (6)

Complementarity/substition can be identified by subtracting coefficient on Den_c^N from $log(1 - MigSh_c)$

Two Step Estimation

Authors use two-step estimation to "simplify treatment of heteroscedasticity and endogeneity" (discussion in Combes and Gobillon 2015 handbook article—complication in standard errors due to both individual and location effects):

$$log(w_i) = X_i \alpha + L_{c(i)s(i)} \gamma + \delta_{c(i)} + \epsilon_i$$
 (8)

$$\delta_c = \beta \log(Den_c^N) - (\beta + \tilde{\lambda})\log(1 - MigSh_c) + U_c\eta + \nu_c \quad (9)$$

In first step estimate city fixed effects δ_c , controlling for individual characteristics X_i (including sectoral dummies) and characteristics of industry of worker i, $L_{c(i)s(i)}$ (including share of city's employment in worker's industry)

Second step then regresses city fixed effects on key variables and additional vector of city variables U_c

Are these equations identified?

Identification

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Discuss two endogeneity issues: 1) sorting of workers into cities (ex: higher skill workers sort into bigger cities) 2) reverse causality (high nominal wages attract migrants)

Instrument for employment density and migration share with:

- Treaty ports (Qian) and distance to ports: historically important cities will have persistent population, uncorrelated with contemporary productivity shocks
- 1990 city characteristics following Au and Henderson 2006: includes share of non-agricultural employment, doctors and telephones per capita, manufacturing share. Idea is that these characteristics helped determine migration flows, but shouldn't be correlated with contemporary characteristics causing migration
- 3. Bartik shift-share instrument to predict population using occupational structure

Evidence Against Spatial Sorting

Authors note that city effects and individual characteristics appear to be orthogonal: separate explanatory power of these effects very similar to explanatory power when both are included

 Table 1

 Explanatory power of various sets of right-hand side variables.

City effects	0.17
Individual characteristics	0.25
Firm characteristics	0.13
City effects and individual characteristics	0.41
City effects and firm characteristics	0.32
Individual characteristics and firm characteristics	0.28
All three sets	0.44

Notes: City effects include both city fixed effects and the specialisation variable.

Also run second step *without* individual controls and find similar estimates for density and migrant share

Large Positive Effects of $MigSh_c$ and Den_c^N

Using IV2-5, migrant share elasticity $(\beta + \tilde{\lambda})$ =0.32, density $\beta = 0.11$, thus $\tilde{\lambda} = 0.21$, or about 2/3

Table 2The migration impact – OLS and IV estimates for the second step.

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	(1) OLS1	(2) OLS2	(3) OLS3	(4) IV1	(5) OLS4	(6) IV2	(7) IV3	(8) IV4	(9) IV5
Migrants	0.405***		0.369***	0.394*** (0.074)	0.279***	0.326***	0.324*** (0.065)	0.325*** (0.073)	0.322***
Density	(0.042)	0.099***	(0.043) 0.046***	0.089***	0.067***	(0.077) 0.124***	0.105***	0.121****	(0.067) 0.105***
		(0.024)	(0.018)	(0.025)	(0.024)	(0.034)	(0.030)	(0.035)	(0.025)
Land area					0.103***	0.128***	0.118***	0.123***	0.119****
Diversity					(0.030) -0.014 (0.135)	(0.034) - 0.182 (0.153)	(0.033) -0.136 (0.142)	(0.034) -0.175 (0.147)	(0.044)
Market potential					0.182* (0.096)	0.050 (0.119)	0.081 (0.105)	0.010 (0.128)	
Distance to seaport					-0.005 (0.013)	0.005	0.002	0.002 (0.014)	
Instruments					(/	(/	()	(/	
Peripherality	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
Henderson occupations	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
Doctors per capita	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Telephones per capita	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N
Historic city	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Distance to historic c.	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Manufacturing share	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Non-agricultural share	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
R^2	0.54	0.18	0.57		0.65				

CDL Conclusions

Authors use estimate of $\beta+\tilde{\lambda}=0.32$ and summary statistics on $log(1-MigSh_c)$ (Table 4) to calculate that a move from the first decile of migrant share (0.09) to last decile (1.0) should increase wages of natives by 0.32*0.91, or roughly 33%

Also find that migrants have a larger positive effect on skilled workers' wages, but note that standard errors are large

Overall a nice paper with good discussion of estimation issues, also useful for thinking about some migration issues in China

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System of Cities Models

Models following Henderson (AER 1974) seek to answer a series of related questions:

- 1. What explains the size of a city?
- 2. Why do cities have different sizes?
- 3. Why do cities have different industry specializations?
- 4. Is there an efficient (optimal) city size?
- 5. Can we reach the efficient size without coordinated city creation?
- 6. If instead we have city creation, how do private city developers compare to local governments?

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Main Ideas

- Effect of population size on output reflects tradeoff between agglomeration and congestion
- 2. Agglomeration occurs only *within* sectors (sector employment size), congestion occurs across sectors (total population)
- Within sector agglomeration makes cities specialize in one sector
- 4. Different sectors may have different productivities, leads to different optimal and equilibrium population sizes
- If agglomeration is concave in population and congestion is convex we get an optimal city size at positive population level
- Cities can be too big because migrants don't consider externalities of location decision, stable point occurs when negative externality outweighs positive externality
- 7. Private developers and local governments can both coordinate city creation to reach optimal city size

Review: Basic Framework of Models

Have some form of agglomeration economies (IRS in population), often using CES production or utility

Also requires congestion costs; often these costs come from commuting as modeled with a simple version of the monocentric city model (fixed housing consumption)

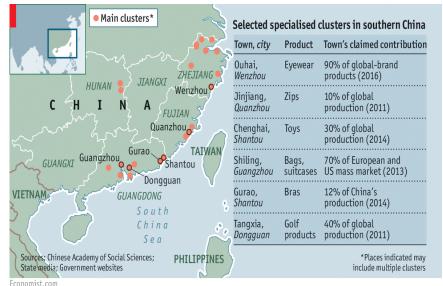
Important details are 1) who gets land rent 2) are there trade costs

Classic paper is Henderson (AER 1974), somewhat simpler version with CES is presented in Duranton and Puga (Handbook Economic Growth, 2013)

The model in Henderson and Au (2006) is quite similar

DP (2013) paper also discusses interesting empirical implications of model

Industrial clusters in Guangdong



Who Creates Cities?

So far we have a model of productivity and specialization but no way to determine number of cities

Consider two alternative mechanisms: 1) self-organization 2) city-developers

We study equilibrium outcomes under these different mechanisms

Important detail: who earns land rent?

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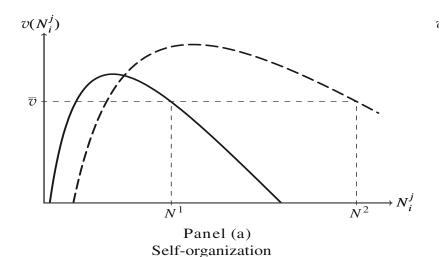
Equilibrium in Self-Organizing Cities

We assume land rents are divided among residents and then use numeraire consumption as a proxy for utility (fixed housing)

This yields the inverse U graph of utility against population: there will be an optimal city size but the stable size has too many people

In equilibrium all cities must offer same utility but cities with different specialities can have different populations

Self-organized City Has Too Many People



Land Developer

Using the notation from DP 2013, we can think about the land developer (P^{j} price of final good in sector j, N_{i} is pop of city i, γ is elasticity of commuting costs w.r.t distance)

Land developers create new cities and collect all land rents, $R_i = P^j * \tau * N_i^{\gamma+1}$; to attract migrants to a new city they can offer a payment of T_i

Land developer profit equation is thus:

$$\max_{T_i, N_i} \Pi_i = P^j \tau N_i^{1+\gamma} - T_i N_i$$
 (5.43)

However, migrants will not come to a new city unless they receive (at least) the same utility \bar{c} —wages minus housing plus commuting costs ($w(N_i) - P(0)$ —as other cities

$$P^{j}\beta^{j}N_{i}^{\sigma^{j}}+T_{i}-P^{j}\frac{1+\gamma}{\gamma}\tau N_{i}^{\gamma}=\bar{c}$$
 (5.44)

Land Developer's Problem

Minimum utility \bar{c} gives required transfer T_i :

Au Henderson

$$T_i = \bar{c} + P^j \left[rac{1+\gamma}{\gamma} au N_i^{\gamma} - eta^j N_i^{\sigma}
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Then (unconstrained) profit maximization problem is:

$$\max_{N_i} \Pi_i = P^j \beta^j N_i^{1+\sigma^j} - P^j \frac{\tau}{\gamma} N_i^{1+\gamma} - \bar{c} N_i$$
 (5.45)

DP point out that this equation shows land developers acting like owners of a "factory town": revenue is $P^j Y_i^j = P^j \beta^j N_i^{1+\sigma^j}$ and labor costs are $P^{j} \frac{\tau}{2} N_{i}^{1+\gamma} + \bar{c} N_{i}$

Solving for the FOC gives (in DP $\bar{v} = \bar{c}$):

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}} = \bar{\mathbf{c}} = P^{j} \left((1 + \sigma^{j}) \beta^{j} N_{i}^{\sigma^{j}} - \frac{1 + \gamma}{\gamma} \tau N_{i}^{\gamma} \right)$$
 (5.46)

Land Developer Internalizes Externality

Put FOC into profit to get maximized profits:

$$\Pi_i = P^j \tau N_i^{1+\gamma} - \sigma^j P^j \beta^j N_i^{1+\sigma^j}$$
 (5.47)

Then from 5.43 we know $T_i N_i = \sigma^j P^j \beta^j N_i^{1+\sigma^j}$, or

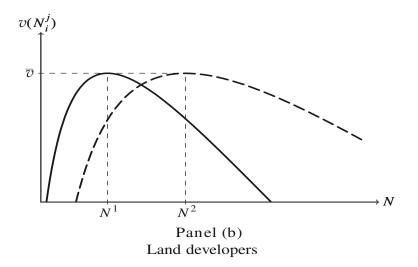
$$T_i = \sigma^j P^j \beta^j N_i^{\sigma^j} \tag{5.48}$$

Finally, with free entry $\Pi_i = 0$ in 5.47, which yields:

$$N_{i} = \left(\beta^{j} \frac{\sigma^{j}}{\tau}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma - \sigma^{j}}} \tag{5.49}$$

This is exactly the utility maximizing population!

Land Developers Can Choose Optimal Size



Free Entry and Equal Utility

Why do all sectors produce at efficient output level?

If not, additional developers could enter and make positive profits by producing at more efficient city size

If some sectors are more productive than others (higher β^j) or have greater agglomeration benefits (higher σ^j) won't land developers offer higher utility to residents?

Process: sectors with higher utility will have additional entry, entry increases production of product j, P^j declines, and thus transfers to workers must decline

Implications

- 1. Improvements in transportation technology (lower γ or τ) will increase city size
- 2. City size also increases with productivity gains (higher β^{j}) or stronger agglomeration forces (higher σ^{j})
- 3. In decentralized equilibrium cities will be too large
- 4. Possibility of using policy to improve welfare
- Lots of ongoing work: search "Henry George Theorem" and optimal city size

Au and Henderson: Motivation

The authors want to estimate the inverted U of population against utility (proxied with valued added per capita).

Why do the authors choose China to study this question?

China has two advantages: 1) GDP at the city (prefecture) level 2) migration restrictions which may cause some cities to be to the left of the peak

What data do we need?

What do we estimate?

What are the challenges?

Outline of Au and Henderson

This is a fairly difficult and complicated paper

Model: they take the basic System of Cities model but add 1) trade costs 2) geography (market potential) 3) CES consumers of final good

Empirics: estimate a structural model and thus forced to reconcile data with model variables (difficult)

Identification: authors note that estimating relationship between inputs and outputs of production function has many endogeneity problems, must instrument for *all* variables

Additional issues of non-linearity and functional form

There are lots of details to this paper, I will try to emphasize the main ideas

Production

Authors start with a model where each city specializes in one *type* of good; can be many symmetrically differentiated final good producers of this type

Uses Cobb-Douglas production function with embedded CES:

$$\tilde{y} = y - c_y = A(\cdot)k_y^{\alpha}l_y^{\beta} \left(\int_{s_x} x(i)^{\rho} di\right)^{\gamma/\rho} - c_y \tag{1}$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma =$$
 1, and 0 < ρ < 1

Term c_y represents fixed cost of entry in terms of output—what is point of this?

Intermediate suppliers have usual IRS production function (shown as conditional factor demand):

$$I_{x} = f_{x} + c_{x}X \tag{3}$$

Agglomeration Economies: Three Sources

First, as city *effective* labor size *L* increases, TFP (productivity) increases

$$A(\cdot) = AL^{\epsilon} \tag{2}$$

Microfoundations include spillovers, search, matching economies

Au Henderson

Second, sharing economies through CES production (number varieties s_x increases with city size)

Can see IRS effect by rewriting production function with symmetric intermediates: $y = A(\cdot)k_v^{\alpha}l_v^{\beta}(xs_x)^{\gamma}s_x^{\gamma(1-\rho)/\rho}$

Third, home-market effect: larger home markets will minimize trade costs (will discuss in greater detail when we read Krugman 1991)

Aggregate Demand for Final Good

Consumer utility:

$$U = \left(\int y(i)^{(\sigma_y - 1)/\sigma_y} di\right)^{\sigma_y/(\sigma_y - 1)} \tag{4}$$

From above we can derive aggregate demand (how?) as:

$$\rho_{y,j} = M P_j^{1/\sigma_j} (y - c_y)^{-1/\sigma_j}$$
 (5)

$$MP_j = \sum_{\nu} \frac{E_{\nu} I_{\nu}}{\tau_{j\nu}^{\sigma_y - 1}}, \text{ where } I = \left[\sum_{u} s_{y,u} (p_{y,u} \tau_{\nu u})^{1 - \sigma_y}\right]^{-1}$$
 (6)

Market Potential

$$MP_j = \sum_{\nu} \frac{E_{\nu} I_{\nu}}{\tau_{j\nu}^{\sigma_y - 1}}, \text{ where } I = \left[\sum_{u} s_{y,u} (\rho_{y,u} \tau_{\nu u})^{1 - \sigma_y}\right]^{-1}$$
 (6)

In above equation authors incorporate demand from all locations with positive trade costs

The I_{ν} term is a price index, takes into account trade costs

Implication: larger markets can consume own good with lower price (net of transporation costs); also, cities near large markets can export their goods at a lower net price

Urban Costs: Commuting

Assume commuting costs measured in time; time cost at location *b* is *tb*

Then if lot size is fixed at h=1, city is circular, and population is N the radius (fringe) of city is $\pi^{-1/2}N^{1/2}$

Can define effective labor as population's total time minus time spent commuting:

$$L = N - (2/3\pi^{-1/2}t)N^{3/2} \tag{7}$$

Also try specifications allowing for congestion: commuting costs increase with city size $L = N - (2/3\pi^{-1/2}t)N^z$, where z > 3/2

Net Output per Worker

Given setup can solve for net output per worker as function of:

Parameters σ_y (consumer subst. elasticity), α (capital share), β (labor share), ϵ (labor agglomeration), γ (intermediate share), ρ (producer subst. elasticity), and A (TFP)

Costs: f_X (intermediate fixed cost), c_X (variable cost), r (cost of capital), t (time commuting cost) as part of a_0 , τ (trade cost), c_Y (final good fixed cost)

Maximizing this gives optimal city size N^* ; note that σ is not part of expression for N^* (equation 9)

Total Value Added

Authors note that they can't estimate net output per worker because they don't have capital rents *r*

Instead they measure "total value-added", $p\tilde{y}s_y$:

$$VA = Q_3 M P^{1/\sigma_y} A K^{\alpha} (N - \alpha_0 N^{3/2})^{\epsilon + \beta + \gamma/\rho}$$
 (10)

Holding constant the capital stock per worker, K/N, eq 10) is maximized at N^*

Manufacturing to Service Ratio

Value added in y sector: $p_y(y - c_y)s_y$

Value added in x sector: $p_x s_x X$

Can show that ratio of these is:

$$MS = \frac{p_y(y - c_y)s_y}{p_x s_x X} = \frac{1 - \gamma}{\gamma}$$
 (A3)

Will use this to estimate intermediates share γ_g in different sectors

Note that they assume elasticity is constant across sectors; in other models differences in elasticity partly explain different city sizes for different sectors

Extend Model to Multiple Cities

First expand consumer utility function to incorporate taste heterogeneity

Au Henderson

Consumers consume *q* varieties of composite goods with Cobb-Douglas top level utility function

$$U = \Pi_g \left(\int y_g(i)^{(\sigma_g - 1)/\sigma_g} di \right)^{\mu_g \sigma_g(\sigma_g - 1)}$$
 (4a)

Assume elasticities don't vary by product, $\sigma_q = \sigma_V$

Main point is just to allow different consumption weights μ_a in different cities

Empirical Specification

Make usual assumption that agglomeration occurs within sector but congestion costs are across sectors

Then every city will specialize to some degree; this specialization is solely measured in MS ratio

Authors note that in China, and other countries, bigger cities have a smaller MS ratio (more employment in services compared to manufacturing)

Use this idea to define urban hierarchy in China

Then log VA for a given city is:

Data

Data for 225 prefectural cities for 2 years: 1990 and 1997

- MS defined as ratio of VA in 2nd to VA in 3rd sector
- Value Added is basically output minus input costs but without capital, GDP includes government taxes and subsidies
- Use proportion of population with high school education and cumulative foreign direct investment (FDI) divided by population as measure of TFP (A)
- To measure MP use GDP as measure of expenditure E_{ν}
- ullet Uses measure of rail transport costs in China to back out au
- Have no data on prices by city and so assume all prices $p_y=1$ in price index $I_\nu=1$

Identification

Authors argue that all 1997 variables could be endogenous

As instruments they use historical characteristics (1990 values), arguing that central planning in 1980's determined 1990 values and is uncorrelated with 1997 city shocks

Do you agree that these are good instruments?

Why do authors use non-linear least squares and IV?

Further identification: instrumenting for labor force

Use a migration model (from Au and Henderson, JDE 2006) to argue that amenities can predict city populations using rural populations within same municipality

Urban amenities include: library books, doctors, telephones, and roads, divided by city population

Therefore use urban amenities in 1990 plus rural municipality population in 1990 (assumed exogenous) to predict 1997 urban population

Discussion of Estimates

- High capital share in production $\alpha =$ 0.43–note that this is consistent with other estimates for China
- Writing production as $y = A(\cdot)k_y^\alpha l_y^\beta (xs_x)^\gamma s_x^{\gamma(1-\rho)/\rho}$ gives $\gamma(1-\rho)/\rho$ as elasticity of number of intermediates in production (sharing agglomeration). They estimate this value at 0.18 and note it's quite high and must be an important force in explaining Chinese city size
- Estimate for matching/search agglomeration is low: $\epsilon = 0.33$
- Estimate of a₀ gives commuting costs equal to 25% of labor force—very high. These estimates actually decrease when they allow congestion to vary with city size, implying more efficiency in commuting in larger cities (surprising result)

Urban Productivity Results

TABLE 2

Results for urban productivity (S.E. in parentheses)

	IV estimation structural model	Ordinary non-linear least squares structural model
a for capital	0·428** (0·0846)	0·417** (0·0442)
$(1-\alpha+\varepsilon)$	0·605** (0·182)	0·576** (0·874)
$(1-\rho)/\rho$	0·425** (0·187)	0·143* (0·0779)
$-a_0(=2/3\pi^{-1/2}t)$	-0.0347** (0.00494)	-0.00833 (0.0228)
% High-school education	0·000473 (0·00432)	0·00432 (0·00313)
FDI per worker	0·0793** (0·0272)	0·0727** (0·0166)
$1/\sigma_y$	0·650** (0·0987)	0·536** (0·0790)
E_R/σ_y	1·46 (2·91)	4·45** (2·01)
Constant	0·182 (1·13)	1·38* (0·741)
N	205	205
R^2	0.914	0.923
χ^2 -test statistics from specification test (critical value)	14·8 (16·9)	

Optimal Population Calculation

Find that cities with lowest MS (most advanced) have optimal population of 1.4 million people

Does this imply that Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, Chongqing, Tianjin way oversized?

Main point is that most cities are undersized: given MS they should be bigger

Estimates of Optimal Population

TABLE 3

Urban agglomeration: city employment at the peak to net output per worker

MS	0.6	1.0	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.5	3.0	4.0
Peak point in thousands	1441	1174	1019	926	849	744	663	544
Lower* 95% confidence interval	977	749	552	411	283	99		
Upper 95% confidence interval	1905	1598	1486	1441	1414	1390	1376	1360

^{*}A blank indicates a negative lower bound.

Discussion of Size Results

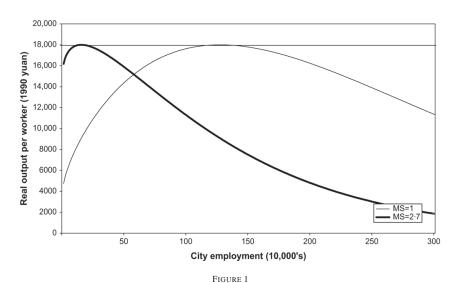
- "Enormous agglomeration economies": moving from 100,000 to 1.27 million for MS=1 raises real output by 83%
- Agglomeration benefits are concave: increase very quickly with population at first but then level out. Moving from 635,000 to 1.27 million only increases real output by 14%
- Agglomeration benefits accumulate quickly in small cities (high MS) compared to large cities (point of Figure 1)
- Asymmetric around peak size: being too big lowers output less than being equally too small; past the peak curve declines slowly
- Large potential benefits: "What is clear is that free migration would result in large increases in city sizes and productivity gains."

Agglomeration Benefits Estimation

TABLE 6
Agglomeration benefits (MS = 1)

					Emplo	yment	in thou	sands			
	20	50	100	320	635	950	1270	1590	1900	2490	3000
Per cent gain in net output per worker of moving to peak size $N^* = 1270$	133	103	83	40	14	2.9	0	2.3	8.0	26	46
Current city size as a per cent of peak size	1.6	3.9	7.9	25	50	75	0	125	150	196	236

Inverted U Estimate



The inverted U for cities

Flexible Form Estimates

TABLE 4
Flexible functional form specifications

	IV estimation	IV estimation		
	Generalized Leontief	Regular Taylor series (terms in square brackets)		
$\ln(K/N)$	0·362** (0·0916)	0·363** (0·0897)		
V ^{0.5} [N]	0·366** (0·116)	0·0102** (0·00230)		
$I[N^2]$	-0·00805** (0·00254)	-0.0000140** (0.00000394)		
$V^{0.5} \times MS^{0.5} [N \times MS]$	-0·184** (0·0872)	-0·00474** (0·00199)		
MS ^{0.5} [MS]	0·218 (1·93)	-0.128 (0.278)		
$MS[MS^2]$	0·206 (0·615)	0·0508 (0·0521)		
High-school education	0·00142 (0·00491)	0·00209 (0·00452)		
DI per worker	0·0683** (0·0286)	0·0652** (0·0291)		
$n(MP_{j,domestic}): \{1/\sigma_y\}$	0·680** (0·117)	0·746** (0·109)		
$MP_{j,\text{domestic}}(Ad_{j,\text{coast}}^{0.82}))^{-1}:\{E_R/\sigma_y\}$	3·94 (3·16)	3·94 (3·28)		
onstant	0·00576 (1·35)	0·593 (1·01)		
·	205	205		
2	0.550	0.530		
² -test statistics from specification test (critical value)	10·8 (16·9)	10·3 (16·9)		

Implications for China

- From Table 4 estimates: 51% of 205 cities in sample are too small
- Depending on estimates, 1%, 6%, or 3% of cities are too large—Shanghai?
- Able to estimate welfare as loss net real output from being below peak
- Estimates imply large welfare losses for significant number of cities; relaxing migration barriers would lead to huge increases in real wages for rural migrants

Next class: Ellison and Glaeser, JPE 1997

Next class we turn to measuring industry concentration, as predicted by agglomeration models