# DETERMINANTS OF US FDI AND ECONOMIC GROWTH IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA 

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| ADF | Augmented Dickey-Fuller |
| :--- | :--- |
| BEA | Bureau of Economic Analysis, the US |
| BHT | Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) |
| BL1.3 | Educational Attainment Dataset version 1.3 published <br> by Barro and Lee (2013) |
| CCE | Common Correlated Effects |
| CCEMG | CCE Mean Group |
| CCEP | CCE Pooled |
| CEL | Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996) |
| CIF | Costs, Insurance and Freight |
| CTPA | Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD |
| DGMM | First-Differenced Generalised Method of Moments |
| DGMM2R | Two-step First-Differenced Generalised Method of |
|  | Moments with Windmeijer-Corrected Standard Errors |
| FDI | Foreign Direct Investment |
| FE | Fixed Effects |
| FOB | Free on Board |
| GDP | Gross Domestic Product |
| GMM | Generalised Method of Moments |
| HCASM | Human Capital Augmented Solow Model |
| I(1) | Integrated of Order One |
| IFS | International Financial Statistics, IMF |
| IMF | The International Monetary Fund |
| LLC | Levin, Lin and Chu |
| LSDVC | Bias-Corrected Least Square Dummy Variable |
| MG | Mean Group |
| MNF(s) | Multinational Firm(s) |
| MRW | Mankiw, Romer and Weil (1992) |
| M-W | Madala-Wu |
| OECD | Organisation for Economic Co-operation and |
| OECDStat | Development |
| OLS | Statistics Database, OECD |
|  | Ordinary Least Squares |
|  |  |


| POLS | Pooled OLS |
| :--- | :--- |
| PWT80 | Penn World Table version 8.0 published by Feenstra, |
|  | Inklaar and Timmer (2013) |
| RE | Random Effects |
| RMSE | Root Mean Squared Error |
| SGMM | System Generalised Method of Moments |
| SGMM2R | Two-step System Generalised Method of Moments with |
|  | Windmeijer-Corrected Standard Errors |
| UK | United Kingdom |
| UNCTAD | United Nations Conference on Trade and Development |
| UNCTADstat | Statistics Database, UNCTAD |
| US | United States of America |
| USD | United States Dollars |
| WDI | World Development Indicators, World Bank |
| WG | Within Groups |

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- As long as a branch of science offers an abundance of problems, so long is it alive - David Hilbert, 1900


#### Abstract

This thesis consists of two separate studies as follows. The first study uses macro panel data on US FDI in developed countries during 1982-2010 to empirically investigate the influence of host country characteristics on FDI. Differing from earlier panel data studies on FDI determinants which often impose the (standard) restrictions of the homogeneity of slope coefficients on the observed variables and the homogeneity of the factor loadings on the unobserved common factors in the empirical specification, this study uses the recently-introduced Common Correlated Effects Mean Group estimator to allow the effects of observed variables and unobserved common factors to vary across countries. In this research, the data seem to support the empirical specification allowing for slope heterogeneity across countries rather more than the standard ones imposing the restrictions of slope homogeneity. Empirical results indicate that the stock of US FDI in a given FDI recipient is likely to be significantly determined by market size, the fluctuations of the exchange rate, and risks in terms of the investment climate, corruption and the legal environment of the host country.

The second study uses an efficient two-step system GMM estimator with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors to test the human-capital augmented Solow model (HCASM). Empirical results in this study confirm conditional convergence as the HCASM predicts. However, the rate of convergence found ranges from about 0.3 to roughly 1 per cent a year, which is slower than found in previous cross-country research. The effect of the investment rate on the level of the growth path is found to be significant while that of the level of human capital is insignificant. Besides, this study finds that the HCASM seems to be unable to fully account for the contrasting growth of countries in subSaharan Africa and East Asia even when country-specific effects and endogeneity are taken into account. Further, the evidence indicates that the rates of technological progress between the two regions are likely to be different and this may help to explain the contrasting growth performance experienced by sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries.


STUDY I:
THE DETERMINANTS OF US OUTWARD FDI INTO DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SINCE 1982

## CHAPTER I.1:

## INTRODUCTION

The aim of this study is to investigate the influence of host country factors on foreign direct investment (FDI) from the United States (US) to developed countries in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) from 1982 until 2010. This study differs from previous panel data studies on FDI determinants in that it uses the recently-introduced Common Correlated Effects Mean Group (CCEMG) estimator to allow the effects of observed variables and unobserved common factors to vary across countries.

There are two major problems relating to the estimation methods in the FDIdeterminant literature using aggregate panel data at the country level. Firstly, earlier studies, for example Nigh (1985) and Koechlin (1992), often use standard panel estimation methods such as Pooled OLS (POLS) or Fixed Effects (FE). In these cases, the slope parameters for the observed explanatory variables are typically constrained to be constant across recipients. This restriction can be too strong since the impact of a given factor on FDI may be different for different recipients. Given that the observed panel samples have a long time series dimension in this study, it could be more informative to allow the parameters to be heterogeneous across recipients.

Secondly, previous macro-panel studies have often controlled for unobserved common factors with the restriction that the effect of the common factors is homogeneous across FDI recipients. However, common factors are likely to be diverse. For example, they may be global events such as the recent financial crisis. Additionally, in the context of investigation of the determinants of FDI from an investing country to a cross-section of host countries, the common factors could also be related to advanced knowledge, technological expertise or superior managerial systems of the investing country's firms. Those factors
may affect FDI and thus they should be accounted for. Using aggregate country-level panel data, it may be difficult to correctly measure the common factors, but failing to control for them could lead to misleading inference. Furthermore, since common factors are diverse, it is reasonable to believe that the impact of them could be heterogeneous across different host countries. ${ }^{1}$ This study aims to fill the gap in the literature by using the recently-developed CCEMG estimator to allow the influence of observed variables and unobserved common factors to vary across countries. To our knowledge, this estimator has not previously been applied in the context of FDI-determinant studies. ${ }^{2}$

There are three reasons why a panel sample of US FDI in developed OECD countries is used here. Firstly, according to statistical data from the UNCTADstat database of the United Nations, the US has been the world's largest investing country, in terms of FDI, for several decades. Secondly, developed OECD countries are the largest recipients for total global FDI. Data from the UNCTADstat database show that the stock of FDI in OECD countries accounts for approximately seventy percent of the total FDI stock of the world over the last thirty years. As for the overseas direct investment of US firms, OECD countries are also the largest destination, accounting for more than twothirds of the total stock of outbound US FDI for the last three decades according to the US Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). Thirdly, annual data on variables in our model are likely to be more reliable and available

[^0]consecutively for the developed countries in comparison with developing countries.

The focus of this study is the analysis of the determinants of US FDI to OECD countries rather than a two-way study. The reasons are as follows. Firstly, one of the limitations of such a two-way study is that the parameters for a given recipient country are likely to vary across investing countries, and hence in practice, a flexible approach to a two-way study is likely to require that models are estimated separately (investing) country-by-country. By focusing on just FDI from the US to host countries, this study can examine that case in more depth and allow for slope parameter heterogeneity in the estimates. Also, the focus on US FDI to a cross-section of countries enables us to control for factors such as the (average) relative knowledge or technology advantages of the investing country's firms as unobserved common factors in the analysis.

The remainder of this study is as follows. Chapter two presents the literature review. Chapter three discusses the model, data and empirical methods used in this study. Chapter four reports empirical results and, finally, chapter five provides the conclusion of the research.

## CHAPTER I.2:

## LITERATURE REVIEW

There are a number of theories of FDI. For example, the database of the Research Papers in Economics (RePEc) lists over eight thousand references for foreign direct investment. Therefore, this literature review can be only selective. Before the 1960s, most theories such as Iversen (1935) and Markowitz (1959) explained overseas investment based on the assumption of perfect markets. However, Hymer (1976) and Kindleberger (1969) argued that in a perfectly competitive market, all firms compete equally and have no advantages over each other, so that FDI has no reason to exist. In his doctoral thesis of 1960, later published in 1976, Hymer showed that firms operating in foreign markets often face a variety of disadvantages compared to indigenous firms, for example language differences or lack of customer tastes. Faced with these disadvantages, for a firm to engage in investment in foreign markets, it must possess specific ownership advantages such as knowledge or technology to balance the disadvantages of operation in a foreign country. Specificownership advantage is a source of market power to help a firm to expand its operation into foreign markets. This is a reason for foreign direct investment.

Despite pointing out the importance of the ownership advantage for FDI, Hymer (1976) and Kindleberger (1969) do not explain how multinational firms (MNFs) may benefit from such an advantage (Agarwal, 1980; Rugman, 1986). This point is addressed in the theory of internalisation proposed by Buckley and Casson (1976) which will be discussed below. However, firstly, this study reviews some major theoretical approaches to the debate on the theory of FDI.

Apart from the theory of market power proposed by Hymer and by Kindleberger, Vernon $(1966,1971)$ used the concept of the product life cycle to explain FDI. Vernon suggested that the production of a commodity goes
through three distinct stages, including the 'new', then the 'mature', and finally to the 'standardised' commodity. In the first stage when the product is new, it is firstly designed and manufactured in home developed markets whose infrastructure and market conditions can facilitate the innovation of new products. The second stage is when the product is maturing, the designs of new products become accepted and the production process is stabilised. At that time, demand would develop for the product in overseas markets where highincome customers welcome innovation and are willing to pay a high price for it. Therefore, firms should expand their sales by exporting their commodities to other developed countries whose consumers have similar purchasing power to that of the home country.

Finally, when the product is standardised in its production, technological inputs and market knowledge are not very important. At that time, firms search for lower-cost locations abroad, particularly in less developed countries, in order to obtain cost advantages. At this stage, the product is manufactured in the less developed countries to serve their domestic consumers and to export back to the home countries and other developed countries. The firm may thus be able to increase its market share.

However, the theory of a product life cycle is mainly restricted to industries characterised by a high level of innovation (Solomon, 1978). In addition, this theory most likely addresses the position of US firms in the 1950s and 1960s when they were leaders in production innovation. Today new products are introduced at the same time in many different countries and production facilities can be located in many countries right from the beginning, because the technology and income gap between the US and other countries has narrowed since the 1970s (Moosa, 2002). Therefore, this theory is likely to be
of lesser importance in the explanation of FDI activities of firms today (Giddy, 1978; Clegg, 1987).

Closely related to the product-life-cycle theory suggested by Vernon is the oligopolistic-reaction theory proposed by Knickerbocker (1973) which considers FDI as the response of a mature firm in an oligopolistic market to its competitors' decision to carry out direct investment overseas. In an oligopolistic environment, firms follow each other into foreign markets as a defensive strategy, because the firm that takes the first step in a new market exploiting any business opportunity draws the attention of similar firms that may exploit the same opportunities. However, the theory is sometimes said to be limited in explaining FDI, because it can only explain why oligopolistic firms invest defensively to counter the FDI of the initiating firm, but cannot explain the investment made by the initial firm.

A theory of currency area explains FDI based on the role of fluctuations of the exchange rate. This theory gives two different explanations of the effect of the exchange-rate fluctuations on FDI. The first argues that the exchange rate is often volatile, thus firms seek FDI to avoid the volatility of the exchange rate (Aliber, 1970; Cushman, 1985). A country with a high variation of its exchange rate may see an increase in inward FDI. In contrast, Kohlhagen (1977) and Benassy-Quere et al. (2001) argue that a host country with large fluctuations of the exchange rate may deter inward FDI because investors worry that these fluctuations may lead to uncertainty over the economic environment of that country.

Differentiating from the theory of currency area, Rugman (1976) and Lessard (1976) put forward another theory based on risk diversification. FDI in this theory is explained as a way for firms to spread risk from solely producing
domestically. However, Caves (1988) asserts that the diversification of MNFs is more likely to result from investments that were propelled by other motives.

Unlike the theories above, Kojima (1977) argues that FDI is a means to exploit factor endowments in the host country. He states that the flow of FDI should target countries which can be assisted by the inputs of the investing firm in industries where the home country is disadvantaged. Using the case of Japan, he argues that Japanese firms tend to launch FDI in industries such as textiles, iron and steel, and assembly of motor vehicles and electronics which are less well-suited for manufacturing in Japan because of the lack of labour and resources, and strict policies on pollution. Petrochilos (1989) criticises this theory in that it is mainly relevant to the Japanese context. Thus it does not provide a general explanation of FDI. However, to some extent, Kojima's theory seems to be within the notion of locational advantages in the eclectic theory which will be discussed below.

Closely related to Kojima's theory, Helpman (1984) proposes a theory of vertical FDI. This theory explains that vertical FDI is implemented by MNFs to exploit the differences in endowments (e.g. labour costs, tax rates) between the investing country and the host country in order to decrease production costs. Hence, FDI determinants in the theory of vertical FDI are likely to be consistent with those in Kojima's theory. Differentiating from the theory of vertical FDI, Markusen (1984) puts forward a theory of horizontal FDI. According to this theory, MNFs conduct FDI to serve the local market of the host country from local production in order to save on transport costs. In this theory, the motivation for the horizontal FDI is the host country's market size and transport costs. These motives could be considered as locational factors in the eclectic theory.

Another theoretical approach to explain FDI is the theory of internalisation as suggested by Buckley and Casson (1976). Whereas Hymer (1976) and Kindleberger (1969) emphasise the importance of ownership advantages, Buckley and Casson stress internalisation advantages as an explanation of overseas investment of MNFs. The idea of internalisation theory originated from Coase (1937) who used the concept to explain the growth of multi-plant domestic firms. He argued that if transaction costs in external markets - for instance, contractual obligations or contract prices - were high, firms would internally conduct these transactions within the firm at a lower cost.

Applying Coase's internalisation approach to explain FDI, Buckley and Casson (1976) argue that firms prefer to exploit their ownership advantages such as knowledge or technology by transferring them within an internal structure (e.g. from its headquarters to subsidiaries). When the internalisation is undertaken across national borders, FDI occurs. According to Buckley and Casson (1976), the internalisation process helps investors to be able to ensure product quality as well as to keep their ownership-specific advantages within their internal firms. In addition, through the internalisation, MNFs may avoid time lags and high transaction costs.

In general, along with the theory of market power suggested by Hymer and Kindleberger, internalisation theory offers an insight into the operations of MNFs. However, it cannot explain fully the aspects of FDI as a general theory (Parry, 1985; Dunning, 1988). Theories of market power and internalisation seem to be able to explain only why a firm seeks FDI (because it possesses one or some ownership-specific advantages) and how it can exploit ownership advantages (by internalisation), but cannot fully explain why the distribution of FDI varies across countries. In other words, the theories are likely to be unable to provide an 'explicit' explanation regarding the location of FDI. This is
addressed by the eclectic theory suggested by Dunning $(1981,1988)$ which is presented below.

The eclectic theory combines ownership, internalisation advantages and locational advantages within a single paradigm in order to interpret the main influences on FDI. According to the eclectic theory, for a firm to engage in FDI activities, the decision problem needs to satisfy the three following conditions. Firstly, a firm must possess certain advantages that provide it with comparative advantages in the host market. These advantages largely take the form of intangible assets (e.g. knowledge or technology) that are exclusive or specific to the firm possessing them, which are called ownership-specific advantages. Secondly, assuming a firm possesses one or some ownershipspecific advantages, it must be more efficient for the firm to internally exploit its specific ownership advantages overseas by itself, rather than to sell them to foreign firms through market transactions. This is called an internalisation advantage, which explains how a MNF can exploit the profitability from their ownership-specific advantages. Thirdly, the host country must possess location-specific advantages that help firms to be able to make profits when operating there. The locational advantages can explain the location of FDI.

Among the theories of FDI, the eclectic theory is widely accepted as a general theory of FDI because it synthesises different theories of FDI (Dunning, 1992; Moosa, 2002). The eclectic theory encompasses ownership advantages in Hymer (1976) and Kinderberger (1969), the process of internalisation in Casson and Buckley (1976) and location-specific advantages including FDI determinants suggested in Kojima's theory, theory of currency area, and theories of vertical and horizontal FDI. Therefore, it can give a comprehensive explanation for many aspects of FDI activities. In terms of determinants of FDI, it can be seen that the 'original' factors determining FDI in the
perspectives of ownership advantages and internalisation advantages are likely to be similar. They often are ownership-specific factors such as advanced technology or superior managerial systems, whereas locational advantages refer to factors relevant to the host countries' characteristics, for instance, market size or labour costs. A summary of the theories reviewed and their connections is presented in Table I.2.1.

Table I.2.1: Summary of theories and their connections

| Theory | Determinants | Link to other theory |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Market-power theory | Ownership advantages <br> (e.g. intangible assets such <br> as knowledge, technology) | Internalisation theory, <br> eclectic theory. |
| Product-life-cycle theory | Developmental <br> comparative advantages | No |
| Oligopolistic-reaction <br> theory | Follow the leader's <br> investment behaviours. | No |
| Currency area theory | Exchange-rate fluctuations | Eclectic theory |
| Risk diversification theory | Risk diversification | No |
| Kojima's theory | Relative endowments | Vertical FDI theory, <br> eclectic theory |
| Vertical FDI theory | Relative endowments | Kojima’s theory, <br> eclectic theory |
| Horizontal FDI theory | Market size and transport <br> costs | Eclectic theory <br> Internalisation theoryIntangible assets (e.g. <br> knowledge, technology) |
| Market-power theory, <br> eclectic theory |  |  |
| Eclectic theory | Ownership/internalisation <br> advantages and location- <br> specific advantages. | Market-power theory, <br> currency-area theory, <br> Kojima's theory, <br> vertical FDI theory, <br> horizontal FDI theory, <br> internalisation theory. |

In the empirical literature on FDI determinants, macro-panel analyses often include location-specific factors, or more specifically host-country factors, rather than ownership-specific factors, to explain the variation of FDI across countries. This is so because the characteristics of the host country play key roles in the location of FDI. Hence, the current research concentrates on locational factors to explain the variation in US FDI across OECD countries. The focus on locational determinants also arises from the difficulty in measuring correctly ownership-specific factors at the country level. In the eclectic theory, though there are many locational factors that may determine FDI, which ones are important remains an empirical matter. Given a number of potential locational determinants of FDI, the research in this thesis focuses on factors which are widely included in empirical studies. The factors that are used in this study are as follows.

## Market size

The size of the host country's market is generally considered as a potential locational factor determining FDI. Multinational firms often choose to invest in a country whose market is large enough, so that their turnover can exceed, at least, various costs of operating in an unfamiliar market (Davidson, 1980; Nigh 1985). A large market size of the host country can provide investors with the opportunity to capture economies of scale and to increase their profit (Scaperlanda and Mauer, 1969; Agarwal, 1980). However, evidence in some studies such as Clegg and Scott-Green (1998) and Yang et al. (2000) indicates an insignificant association between the host country's market size and FDI. Therefore, the hypothesis of a significant and positive association between the size of the host country's market size and FDI is not always supported in the empirical literature. This study includes market size in the model to test its effect on US FDI to OECD countries in the period 1982-2010.

## Relative tax rates

Along with the size of the market, the taxation of a country commonly appears as a potential factor that may impact on FDI. A country with high tax rates may deter investors from locating their FDI there because the high tax rates can increase their costs and decrease their after-tax profits. Thus, the tax rates of the host country are expected to influence FDI negatively. However, evidence in some empirical works such as Wheeler and Mody (1992) and Swenson (1992) does not support the hypothesis of a negative relationship between tax rates and FDI. The model in this study takes relative tax rates between the host country and the US into account to test the impact of relative tax rates on FDI from the US to the host country for 1982-2010.

## Relative labour costs

Labour costs frequently play an important role in determining FDI. Lower labour costs can help a firm to reduce its operation costs and production costs and thereby increase its profit. Therefore, higher labour costs in the host country relative to the investing country may lead to a decrease in FDI from the investing country to the host. Empirical evidence, however, does not always support the hypothesis of a negative relationship between labour costs and FDI in recipient countries. For example, works by Koechlin (1992) and Loree and Guisinger (1995) find an insignificant relationship between labour costs and US FDI. This study controls for relative labour costs between recipient countries and the US in the model and examines its influence on US FDI to the recipients.

## Relative skilled labour

Along with labour costs, the availability of skilled labour is commonly suggested as a potential factor that may determine the location of FDI. When

MNFs establish affiliates in a foreign location they often bring knowledge and technology, which may require skilled labour in the location where they operate. Therefore, a country with skilled labour in abundance may attract more inflows of FDI, other things equal. In the empirical literature, labour skills are often measured by the gross secondary school enrolment rate or the literacy rate. Empirical studies such as Narula (1996) and Noorbakhsh et al. (2001) show a significant and positive relationship between the skilled labour endowment and inward FDI, while other studies, for instance, Schneider and Frey (1985) and Wei (2000), find that this relationship is insignificant. In this study, we take account of the skilled labour abundance of the recipient country relative to that of the US to investigate its impact on FDI from the US to the recipient.

## Openness

Besides market size, tax rates, labour costs and skilled labour abundance, the openness of the host country is frequently mentioned as a potential factor that may affect the FDI decision-making of MNFs. Openness here is often a measure of the degree of openness of a country to international business. In empirical studies, the influence of openness on overseas direct investment seems to be ambiguous. Studies such as Culem (1988) and Moosa and Cardar (2006) find that the effect of openness on FDI is significant and positive while other studies such as Schmitz and Bieri (1972) and Wheeler and Mody (1992) find that this effect is insignificant. In this current study, we try to investigate the influence of the openness of the host country on US FDI to OECD countries. In view of the mixed results of the existing literature, the study tries to shed light on the significance of openness in the US-OECD context.

## Fluctuations of the exchange rate

Another factor often considered as a potential factor which may influence FDI is the fluctuations of the exchange rate. Yet the empirical literature provides mixed results on the association between exchange rate fluctuations and FDI. Some empirical studies, for example those by Cushman (1988) and Goldberg and Kolstad (1995), find that the effect of exchange rate variability on FDI is significantly positive, while other studies, for instance those by Itagaki (1981) and Benassy-Quere et al. (2001), find that the fluctuation of the exchange rate has a significantly negative influence on FDI. Some other studies, such as those by Gorg and Wakelin (2002) and Crowley and Lee (2003), report an insignificant association between exchange rate variability and FDI. The inclusion of the fluctuations of the exchange rate as a driver for FDI is also controversial from a theoretical point of view. FDI is a long-term investment while exchange rate fluctuations are short-term. Furthermore, over the last thirty years or so, financial markets have become quite sophisticated in that exchange rate risk can often be hedged at relatively low cost. Thus, whether exchange rate variation is still an important variable in determining FDI is largely an empirical matter. This study controls for the fluctuation of the exchange rate by including a measure of exchange rate variability in the model to check for its effect on FDI.

## Transport costs

Apart from the factors above, transport costs may be another factor affecting FDI. This is because if transport costs between the investing country and the host country are high, firms may switch from exports to FDI to serve the host country's market from local production. Hence, transports costs are included in the model to investigate their effect on FDI from US to the host countries.

## Political risks

Additional factors such as political risks are likely to be a potential factor which investors consider carefully before making a FDI decision. These risks are commonly related to the investment climate, corruption, internal conflicts, ethnic or religious tensions, external conflicts and the legal environment in the host country. Since firms tend to avoid uncertainty and risks, a host country with a high extent of political risk may discourage investors. Based on different proxies, some empirical studies, for example those by Schneider and Frey (1985), Nigh (1985), Lee and Mansfield (1996) and Janicki and Wunnava (2004), provide evidence that political risks significantly influence FDI, while some others, such as those by Bennett and Green (1972), Wheeler and Mody (1992) and Bevan and Entrin (2004), find little evidence for a correlation between political risks and FDI. In this study, since we are interested in FDI in developed countries where risks relevant to major ethnic or religious tensions, and severe external or internal conflicts are comparatively rare, these particular factors are excluded from the model. Nevertheless, there may remain some political risks, and the model takes account of the investment climate, corruption and the legal environment of the recipient country in order to check the effect of these risks on FDI from the US.

Above, this study discussed the FDI determinants to be investigated in the empirical analysis. Although all these observed variables are locational factors in the eclectic theory, some of them are also determinants in other theories. In particular, the host country's market size and transport costs are considered as FDI determinants in the theory of horizontal FDI. Relative labour costs and relative skilled labour are factors relevant to Kojima's theory while relative labour costs, relative skilled labour and relative tax rates are factors relevant to the theory of vertical FDI. Fluctuations of the exchange rate are the FDI
determinant suggested in the theory of currency area. A summary of the observed variables and relevant theories is presented in Table I. 2.2 below.

Table I.2.2: Summary of observed variables and relevant theories

| Variable | Theory |
| :--- | :--- |
| Market size | Eclectic theory, horizontal FDI <br> theory |
| Relative tax rates | Eclectic theory, vertical FDI <br> theory |
| Relative labour costs | Eclectic theory, Kojima's <br> theory, vertical FDI theory |
| Relative skilled labour | Eclectic theory, Kojima's <br> theory, vertical FDI theory |
| Openness | Eclectic theory |
| Fluctuations of exchange rate | Eclectic theory, currency area <br> theory |
| Transport costs | Eclectic theory, horizontal FDI <br> theory |
| Political risks | Eclectic theory |

## CHAPTER I.3:

## METHODOLOGY

This chapter includes two main sections and aims to discuss the model, data and empirical methods used in this study. The first section presents the model and data sources while the second section discusses the main empirical methods used in this study.

## I.3.1. The empirical model and data

The discussion of the determinants of FDI in the previous chapter suggests the following possible relationship:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{FDI}_{\mathrm{it}}=f\left(\mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{COST}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{SKILL}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{OPEN}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{it}}, \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{it}}\right) \tag{I.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $i$ and $t$ denote FDI-recipient country and time indexes respectively. FDI denotes US foreign direct investment in each recipient country; GDP proxies for the recipient country's market size, measured as total output. TAX, COST and SKILL denote the relative tax rates, relative unit labour costs and relative skilled labour abundance between the recipient country and the US respectively. TC denotes transport costs between the US and the recipient country. OPEN, FER and RISK denote the recipient country's openness, fluctuations of the exchange rate and political risks respectively.

The dependent variable in this study is measured by the real US FDI stock in each recipient country. Data on the nominal US FDI stock are from the BEA, and are converted into constant 2005 US dollars (in millions) using the GDP deflator. The latter is from the International Financial Statistics (IFS) provided by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Data on the US FDI stock from the BEA are available from 1982 onwards, only.

Real gross domestic product is used as a measure of the size of the host country's market. Data on GDP are collected from the World Economic Outlook of the IMF, and then are converted into constant 2005 US dollars (in millions) by using GDP deflators and corresponding exchange rates. Exchange rates are collected from the IFS.

We use the corporate income tax rate as a proxy for the tax rate in order to construct the relative tax rates between the host country and the US. Data on corporate income tax rates of the US and host countries were collected from the Centre for Tax Policy and Administration of the OECD.

The variable COST measures unit labour costs of the host country relative to those in the US. Data on unit labour costs were collected from the statistics database of the OECD. The relative skilled labour is proxied by the ratio of the secondary gross enrolment rate of the host country to that of the US in this study. Data on the secondary gross enrolment ratio of the US and recipients were collected from the WDI. The openness of the host country is measured by the ratio of exports to gross domestic product. Data on openness were obtained from the WDI.

We use the standard deviation of the real exchange rate as a proxy for the extent of exchange rate fluctuations. Data on the nominal exchange rate of the recipient country's currency against the US dollar were collected from the IFS, and then converted into a real exchange rate using GDP deflators. For Euroarea countries, exchange rates before 1999 were calculated based on the conversion rate between the Euro in 1999 and the country's currency. For example, for France, the exchange rate of the Euro against the US dollar in, say, 1990 is calculated by the 1990 Franc/USD exchange rate divided by the fixed conversion rate of Francs to Euros in 1999.

This study uses the CIF/FOB ratio reported in the Direction of Trade Statistics of the IMF as a proxy for transport costs. This ratio gives the value of imports including costs, insurance and freight (CIF) relative to their free on board (FOB) value, and thus it can reflect transport costs (for example, Limao and Venables, 2001; UNCTAD, 2006). With respect to political risks, this research constructs an index as the sum of ratings of the investment profile, corruption, and law and order provided by the International Country Risk Guide (ICRG). In the ICRG, the rating of investment profile of a country is scaled from 0 (very high risk) to 12 (very low risk), the rating of corruption from 0 (very high risk) to 6 (very low risk), and the rating of law and order from 0 (very high risk) to 6 (very low risk). We give equal weights to the investment profile, corruption, and law and order in the index by converting their ICRG ratings into a scale from 0 (very high risk) to 10 (very low risk) before taking the sum. This leads to an index ranging from 0 (very high risk) to 30 (very low risk). This index is used as a proxy of risks relevant to FDI decisions.

It is worth noting that some of the literature analyses additional (locational) variables that are not included in equation (I.1). These could be cultural differences, geographic distance and language differences between the host country and the investing country, all of which may affect FDI. These longterm factors are likely to be constant or approximately constant over time and will be treated as time-invariant, country-specific (fixed) effects in the empirical analysis.

This study uses a sample comprising twenty one developed OCED countries covering the period from 1982 to 2010. The countries are Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain,

Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. In some cases in the sample where data are missing, missing data were interpolated based on available data. Model (1) is conventionally expressed in multiplicative form as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{FDI}_{\mathrm{it}}=\operatorname{GDP}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{1 i}} \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{2 \mathrm{i}}} \operatorname{COST}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{3 i}} \operatorname{SKILL}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{4 i}} \operatorname{OPEN}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{5 i}} \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{6 \mathrm{i}}} \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{7 \mathrm{i}}} \operatorname{RISK}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\beta_{8 \mathrm{i}}} \exp \left(\varepsilon_{\mathrm{it}}\right) \tag{I.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the $\beta \mathrm{s}$ denote elasticities and $\varepsilon_{\mathrm{it}}$ denotes the error term.
Taking the natural logarithms of equation (I.2) yields a log-linear form as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \mathrm{FDI}_{\mathrm{it}} & =\beta_{1 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{2 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{3 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{COST}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{4 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{SKILL}_{\mathrm{it}} \\
& +\beta_{5 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{6 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{7 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{it}}+\beta_{8 \mathrm{i}} \ln \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{it}}+\varepsilon_{\mathrm{it}} \tag{I.3}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\ln$ denotes natural logarithm. This log-linear form allows us to interpret the coefficients as elasticities. In addition, it could help to reduce the potential problem of heteroscedasticity in the error variance.

Model (I.3) is a static model. However, information on FDI determinants often becomes available with a lag relative to the time of the investment decision. In addition, there may be an additional lag from the decision-making process to actual FDI. Therefore, the effects of explanatory variables in the model (I.3) could be expected to appear with a delay. For example, in year $t$ investors intend to invest overseas while the available information is from the previous year. Furthermore, the decision making process and the preparation for FDI such as the mobilization of funds, the building of partners, negotiations with the host country, etc., will take additional time. Overall, it may take two years or more before FDI is carried out in the host country. Hence, we experiment with two possible lag lengths, of one and two years. It is thought that a twoyear lag is likely to be sufficient, considering that the data are annual and the
sample size is relatively small. Even though there may be common-sense reasons for the variables to have delayed effects, there is no formal theory of dynamic adjustment in the literature and the determination of the appropriate lag length is an empirical matter. Further, lag specifications for the explanatory variables would also be useful in order to avoid the potential simultaneous influence of the dependent variable on the explanatory variables.

It may also be argued that leads (i.e., forward-looking variables) could be included to extend the dynamics in order to account for the role of expectations. For instance, it is reasonable to assume that investors may decide to invest in a country not only on the basis of past growth, but perhaps even more so based on future expected growth, since the latter may be regarded as more important for the success of the investment. However, including expectations of future growth is difficult in this setting due to the lack of availability of data on expected values of variables in the model for the entire group of countries over the period. Including leads, instead, may approximate expectations to some degree. However, the implication of the lead is perfect foresight which appears to be a rather strong assumption for the variables within the model. For instance, forecasts for GDP can be unreliable, particularly at long horizons, which are relevant for FDI decisions. Therefore, no experiment with the use of leads was attempted. This is also consistent with most of the existing literature on FDI.

## I.3.2. Empirical methods

Before discussing estimation methods, this study discusses three distinct unit root tests that will be applied in the empirical analysis to check for stationarity. This is necessary because the time-series dimension, $T$, of the sample used in this research is fairly large. The problem with thin and long panel data sets is that regression results may be spurious when variables are non-stationary.

Therefore, as a first step, variables need to be tested for stationarity and, should they be non-stationary, the relationship between them needs to be tested for cointegration. Only when there is cointegration can inferences reliably be made. Otherwise, the results may be spurious.

There are various panel unit-root tests in the econometric literature, of which the LLC test proposed by Levin and Lin (1992) and Levin, Lin and Chu (2002) is a popular one (Baltagi, 2008). The null hypothesis in this test is that all panels have a homogeneous unit root versus the alternative hypothesis that all panels are stationary. In comparison with other homogeneous panel unit-root tests such as the one by Harris and Tsavalis (1999), the LLC test is likely to be more appropriate for this research because it requires the time-series dimension of the dataset to be larger than the cross-section dimension.

The potential disadvantage of the LLC test is that it restricts all autoregressive coefficients to be homogeneous across all panels. This assumption may be too strong. Maddala and Wu (1999) propose a panel unit-root test (henceforth the M-W test) that allows the autoregressive coefficients to vary across panels. In particular, this test combines the significance levels of individual PhillipsPerron or ADF unit-root tests for each cross-section $i$ to construct an overall test statistic based on a test suggested by Fisher (1932):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda=-2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \ln \varphi_{i} \tag{I.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\varphi_{\mathrm{i}}$ is the p -value of a unit root test for country $i$.
This is used to test the null hypothesis that all panels have a unit root versus the alternative hypothesis that at least one panel is stationary. Since $\left(-2 \ln \varphi_{i}\right)$ is distributed as $\chi^{2}$ with two degrees of freedom, $\lambda$ has a $\chi^{2}$ distribution with $2 N$ degrees of freedom where $N$ denotes the number of panels.

Note that both the LLC and M-W tests are based on the potentially restrictive assumption that individual time series in the panel are cross-sectionally independent. Pesaran (2007) suggests a test that relaxes this assumption (henceforth the CIPS test) which controls for the possible presence of crosssection dependence. The null hypothesis in this test is that all panels (here, countries) have a unit root against the alternative hypothesis that a fraction of panels are stationary. In particular, the method of this test is based on augmenting the usual ADF regression with the cross-section averages of lagged levels and first-differences of the individual series to capture crosssectional dependence. Pesaran calls this a cross-sectionally augmented DickeyFuller (CADF) test. The simple CADF regression is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta z_{i t}=a_{i}+\rho_{i} z_{i, t-1}+b_{0} \bar{z}_{t-1}+b_{1} \Delta \bar{z}_{t}+\varepsilon_{i t} \tag{I.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{z}_{t}$ is the cross-section average of $z_{t}$ at time $t$. The presence of the lagged cross-section average and its first-difference can account for cross-section dependence. In the case that there is serial correlation in the errors, the regression is additionally augmented with the lagged first-differences of both $z_{i t}$ and $\bar{z}_{t}$ to control for serial correlation, which leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta z_{i t}=a_{i}+\rho_{i} z_{i, t-1}+b_{0} \bar{z}_{t-1}+\sum_{j=0}^{p} b_{j+1} \Delta \bar{z}_{t-j}+\sum_{k=1}^{p} c_{k} \Delta z_{i, t-k}+\varepsilon_{i t} \tag{I.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

After performing the CADF regression for each cross section, the CIPS test averages the $t$-ratio of the lagged value (henceforth $C A D F_{i}$ ) to construct the CIPS-statistic as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C I P S-\text { statistic }=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} C A D F_{i} \tag{I.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Pesaran (2007) also shows that the CIPS panel unit-root test has satisfactory size and power even for relatively small values of the cross-section dimension $N$ and time-series dimension $T$. Along with the LLC and M-W tests, the CIPS test is used to check for unit roots in the variables used in this study. Since the data on each variable used are yearly (not daily or monthly) and the time series dimension, $T$, is not very large, the maximum lag length is chosen to be three. Among the three unit-root tests, the CIPS approach is preferred because it allows for the heterogeneity of autoregressive coefficients across panels and can address cross-sectional dependence.

Next, we turn to the discussion of the estimation methods. In this section, estimation methods are discussed that address major potential problems of this study. Firstly, the panel data set has a reasonably long time dimension and thus non-stationarity of the variables in the model needs to be addressed. In addition, since this is a macroeconomic panel data study on FDI, where many of the determinants (as discussed in the literature review) cannot be included due to data availability, these effects need to be controlled for to avoid omitted variable bias. Also, we discuss methods to allow the effects of explanatory variables and unobserved common factors to vary across countries to fulfil the aims of this study.

Consider a form of an FDI model as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{i t}=\beta_{i}^{\prime} x_{i t}+\varepsilon_{i t} \tag{I.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y$ is the dependent variable, $x$ is a vector of observed explanatory variables and $\beta$ are the slope parameters for the elements of $x$. In this study, the explanatory variables are assumed to be exogenous.

In order to account for common factors such as a global financial crisis, this study introduces unobserved common factors $\left(w_{t}\right)$ into the model (I.8). In the context of investigation of FDI from the US to a cross-section of OECD countries, $w_{t}$ is also assumed to include the (average) ownership advantages of US firms such as advantages in technology, innovation or superior managerial skills which may affect US FDI to a cross section of OECD countries. The model is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{i t}=\beta_{i}^{\prime} x_{i t}+\gamma_{i}^{\prime} w_{t}+\varepsilon_{i t} \tag{I.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $w_{t}$ is assumed to be one or more latent factors capturing the effect of unobserved common factors, and $\gamma_{i}$ are the factor loadings which may vary across countries.

The formulation in (I.9) is sometimes called an interactive fixed effects specification, and it generalizes conventional country-specific (fixed) effects and conventional time dummies (e.g. if one of the $w_{t}$ factors is constant over time, that yields a set of country-specific effects; and if one of the factors has the same coefficients, that yields time effects, given that the time path of $w_{t}$ is not restricted). Therefore, model (I.9) can control for country-specific effects (e.g. cultural differences, geographic distances) and conventional time dummies, but is more general than either.

Now we discuss the estimation of model (I.9) by using different estimators. Firstly, it can be seen that the Pooled OLS (POLS) estimator uses a conventional least squares regression based on pooling all the observations without considering country-specific effects, which could lead to biased estimates. In addition, in the POLS estimates, the effects of the explanatory variables $(x)$ are restricted to be constant across countries $\left(\beta_{i}=\beta\right)$. Unobserved common factors $\left(w_{t}\right)$ might be taken into account by introducing
time dummies into the POLS regression model. However, the time dummies can only capture common shocks to FDI that have the same effects across countries, and thus the effects of $w_{t}$ on FDI are constrained to be homogeneous across countries $\left(\gamma_{i}=\gamma\right)$ in the POLS estimates.

In the Fixed Effects (FE) and Random Effects (RE) estimators, time-invariant country-specific effects are taken into account and treated as fixed and random in the regression respectively. To decide between the FE and the RE estimator, we can run a Hausman test where the null hypothesis is that the preferred model is RE versus the alternative being FE. However, in the FE and RE estimators, the slope parameters of $x$ are constrained to be identical across countries $\left(\beta_{i}=\beta\right)$. In addition, as in Pooled OLS estimation, $w_{t}$ may be taken into account by including time dummies in the FE and RE regression models, and thus the influence of $w_{t}$ on FDI is restricted to be constant across countries $\left(\gamma_{i}=\gamma\right)$ by both the FE and RE estimators.

Apart from the POLS, FE and RE estimators, the more recent Mean Group (MG) estimator, proposed by Pesaran and Smith (1995), relaxes the assumption of homogeneity of explanatory variables' parameters. The MG estimator allows the effects of explanatory variables to vary across countries by firstly estimating country-specific OLS regression models and then averaging the estimated parameters across countries to obtain an average effect. In addition, this estimation can capture country-specific effects as an intercept in each of the individual regression models (one per country). Unobserved common shocks $\left(w_{t}\right)$ may be controlled for by introducing a time trend in the regression model for each country, and thus the effect of $w_{t}$ is allowed to vary across countries (Eberhardt and Bond, 2009; Eberhardt, 2011). However, the use of the country-specific time trend will restrict the unobserved common factors to be (smoothly) increasing or decreasing over time. Note that
we cannot use a full set of time dummies (as in the POLS and FE estimators) in the regression model for each country because they would explain the dependent variable perfectly.

Recent work by Pesaran (2006), extended to non-stationary variables by Kapetanios, Pesaran and Yamagata (2011), suggests the use of Common Correlated Effects (CCE) estimators with cross-section averages of the dependent variable $\left(\bar{y}_{t}\right)$ and independent variables $\left(\bar{x}_{t}\right)$ to account for the presence of unobserved common factors ( $w_{t}$ ) with heterogeneous effects (Pesaran, 2006; Coakley, Fuertes and Smith, 2006; Kapetanios, Pesaran and Yamagata, 2011; Pesaran and Tosetti, 2011); then the model (I.9) becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{i t}=\beta_{i}^{\prime} x_{i t}+c_{i} \bar{y}_{t}+d_{i}^{\prime} \bar{x}_{t}+\varepsilon_{i t} \tag{I.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

In CCE estimates, the estimated country-specific parameters on $\bar{y}_{t}$ and $\bar{x}_{t}$ are not interpretable in a conventional way: their presence is only to control for the biasing effects of the unobserved common factors. There are two alternative methods to estimate model (I.10), namely the Common Correlated Effects Pooled (CCEP) and Common Correlated Effects Mean Group (CCEMG) estimators. Pesaran (2006), Stock and Watson (2008), Kapetanios, Pesaran and Yamagata (2011) and Pesaran and Tosetti (2011) show that the CCE estimators are robust to heteroskedasticity and serial correlation and to the presence of structural breaks. The CCEP estimator is a fixed effects regression where each country has a separate parameter for each of the cross-section averages. Therefore, the CCEP allows unobserved common factors to have heterogeneous effects across countries. However, in CCEP estimation, the parameters of the main explanatory variables (here, the $x$ 's) are restricted to be identical across countries $\left(\beta_{i}=\beta\right)$. Alternatively, we can relax the restriction of the homogeneity of the slope parameters by using a CCEMG estimator. The

CCEMG estimator, which is based on an MG estimation of model (I.10), can permit the observed explanatory variables' parameters to be varying across countries. As with CCEP, it also allows the unobserved common factors to have different effects on different countries.

It is worth noting that if variables are non-stationary, regression results could be spurious. However, this is not the case when the variables are cointegrated. Normally, when variables are non-stationary, their linear combination is also non-stationary which undermines inference and leads to spurious regression results. However, non-stationary variables may move together over time even though individually they are random walks. In other words, cointegration is a specific result which may occur in the presence of variables with unit roots. As a result of cointegration, the error term is stationary. An empirical indicator of cointegration is when a regression produces stationary residuals. As discussed, the current study accounts for unobserved common factors in the estimation, and thus they could be a part of a cointegrating vector. Since the way to control for unobservable common factors varies across estimators, this study will first estimate the model with the inclusion of unobserved common factors, and then check for the stationarity of the residuals. If observed explanatory variables (and unobserved common factors) are cointegrated, we can establish a long-run economic relationship between the variables which can be interpreted in relation to the economic theories of FDI presented in the literature review above.

Another problem is that the observed explanatory variables and unobserved common factors may have effects on US FDI to recipient countries to different degrees. The restrictions that those effects are homogeneous across countries may cause cross-section dependence among regression errors, leading to biased estimates, especially in a panel data analysis with long $T$. Therefore, this
study will check the cross-section independence of the residuals by using a cross-section dependence (CD) test suggested by Pesaran (2004). In this study, we use the unit-root and CD tests to choose the preferred empirical model.

In summary, this chapter provided a discussion of the model, data sources and empirical methods used in this study to investigate the influence of the host country factors on FDI from the United States (US) to developed OECD countries in the period 1982-2010. The empirical results will be presented in the next chapter.

## CHAPTER I.4:

## EMPIRICAL RESULTS

This chapter presents the empirical results of the research. In order to check the stationarity of the variables, this study plots variables and their first differences over time (see appendix I. 2 and appendix I.3). This is because the appropriate critical values of the unit root test statistics depend on the deterministic terms that are included. If the unit root test does not specify the deterministic terms correctly, then this may lead to an over- or under-rejection of the null hypothesis. A straightforward way to decide on what deterministic terms should be included in the unit root test is to look at the graphs of the individual series.

The graphs in appendix I. 2 show that the variables of foreign direct investment, $\ln$ FDI, market size, $\ln$ GDP, relative tax rates, $\ln$ TAX, relative skilled labour, ln SKILL, openness, ln OPEN, transport costs, ln TC, and political risks, ln RISK, are likely to be trended while the variables relative labour costs, $\ln$ COST, and fluctuations of the exchange rate, $\ln$ FER, are not likely to be trended. Therefore, this study adopts LLC, M-W and CIPS unitroot tests with a trend for the former and adopts those with a constant only for the latter. The p-values of the unit-root tests of all variables are reported in Table I.4.1. We can see from Table I.4.1 that the results of the LLC test reject the null hypothesis that variables $\ln$ FDI, $\ln$ TC and $\ln$ RISK have a unit root while those of the M-W and CIPS tests do not reject the null hypothesis.

With respect to the variables $\ln$ TAX, $\ln$ COST and $\ln$ OPEN, the results of the LLC and M-W tests reject that these variables are non-stationary at conventional levels of significance. However the use of the CIPS test does not reject the null hypothesis that they are non-stationary. Table I.4.1 also shows
that all three tests reject a unit root for the variable $\ln$ FER but they do not reject for variables $\ln$ GDP and $\ln$ SKILL. Among the three unit-root tests, the results of the CIPS are preferred because this test allows for the heterogeneity of autoregressive coefficients across panels and can control for cross-sectional dependence. Therefore, it can be seen that, apart from the variable ln FER, the other variables in the model are likely to be non-stationary.

Table I.4.1: Unit root tests for variables

|  | LLC (p-value) | M-W (p-value) | CIPS (p-value) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ln$ FDI | 0.04 | 0.65 | 0.64 |
| $\ln$ GDP | 0.42 | 0.80 | 0.72 |
| $\ln$ TAX | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.47 |
| $\ln$ COST | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.43 |
| $\ln$ SKILL | 0.43 | 0.99 | 0.84 |
| $\ln$ OPEN | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.85 |
| $\ln$ FER | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 |
| $\ln$ TC | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.85 |
| $\ln$ RISK | 0.01 | 0.62 | 0.31 |

Note: The lag length of the unit root tests is three. This study experimented with different lag lengths up to order three: the results did not change significantly.

Variables that are integrated of order one can be made stationary by taking first differences. Since the more reliable CIPS test suggests that all the variables except for fluctuations of the exchange rate, ln FER, may be non-stationary, the second step of the testing procedure is to find out whether the first differences are stationary. If this is the case, then the variables are integrated of order one, conventionally denoted as $I(1)$. Since unit root tests above indicate
that $\ln$ FER is stationary, there is no need to test the first difference of $\ln$ FER for stationarity.

The graphs in appendix I. 3 show that all the first differences of variables seem to be un-trended, and thus this study runs the tests with no trend for the first differences of variables. We can see that all the results of LLC, M-W and CIPS tests in Table I.4.2 reject that the first-differences of the variables have a unit root at the one or five percent levels of significance, indicating that the firstdifferences of the variables are stationary. Therefore, from the results in Tables I.4.1 and I.4.2, it is likely that the variable for exchange-rate fluctuations, $\ln$ FER, seems to be stationary while the others in the model are potentially I(1).

Table I.4.2: Unit root tests for the first difference of variables

|  | LLC (p-value) | M-W (p-value) | CIPS (p-value) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\Delta \ln$ FDI | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ GDP | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 |
| $\Delta \ln$ TAX | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ COST | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ SKILL | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ OPEN | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ TC | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| $\Delta \ln$ RISK | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |

$\underline{\text { Note: }}$ The lag length of the unit root tests is three. This study experimented with different lag lengths up to order three: the results did not change significantly.

Next, estimates of the model for FDI are reported. All the models assume that the explanatory variables are exogenous. This may be too strong an assumption. For instance, GDP is likely to be endogenous in a model that
explains FDI. The consequence of including endogenous variables in the model will be biased and inconsistent coefficient estimates. However, as discussed in chapter I.3, the use of lagged values of the explanatory variables as instruments (for the current values) in the model could help to reduce this potential problem. This study, in turn, experimented with one- and two-year lags as instruments. ${ }^{3}$ The POLS, FE, MG, CCEP and CCEMG results from the model using one-year lagged values for the explanatory variables are reported in Table I.4.3 while those from the model using two-year lagged values are reported in Table I.4.4.

The choices of the lag length and the estimation method have a strong impact on the estimation results. Turning to the results with the one-year lagged values depicted in Table I.4.3 first, none of the variables are significant across all estimates. There is some indication that market size, relative tax rates, relative labour costs, openness and the volatility of the exchange rate may be determinants of FDI. The results vary depending on the estimation method used. Turning to Table I.4.4, there is evidence that relative tax rates, relative labour costs, relative skilled labour, openness and political risks are associated with FDI. Again, the significance of the estimated coefficients on these variables seems to vary. However, the influence of market size and the fluctuations of the exchange rate on FDI are found to be significant when using most of the estimators.

[^1]Table I.4.3:
The estimation of the models using one-year lagged values for explanatory variables

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(1) \\ & \text { POLS } \end{aligned}$ | (2) <br> FE | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(3) \\ & M G \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (4) } \\ & \text { CCEP } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(5) \\ & \text { CCEMG } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.45^{* * *} \\ & (0.17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 2.01^{* * *} \\ & (0.69) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.93^{* * *} \\ & (0.35) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.36 \\ & (0.43) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.05 \\ & (0.91) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\text {t-1 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.72 * * * \\ & (0.17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.11 \\ & (0.23) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.28^{* *} \\ & (0.12) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.17 \\ & (0.12) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.08 \\ & (0.19) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{t-1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-1.98^{* *} \\ & (0.72) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.73^{*} \\ & (0.41) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.01 \\ & (0.16) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.40^{*} \\ & (0.24) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.41 \\ & (0.49) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln$ SKILL $_{\text {t-1 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.08 \\ & (1.16) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.75 \\ & (0.59) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.11 \\ & (0.34) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.01 \\ & (0.31) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.29 \\ & (0.51) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\text {t-1 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.66^{* * *} \\ & (0.52) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.20^{*} \\ & (0.58) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.06 \\ & (0.25) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.11 \\ & (0.26) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.36 \\ & (0.28) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.06 \\ & (0.09) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.05^{* *} \\ & (0.02) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.04 * * \\ & (0.01) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.02^{*} \\ & (0.01) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.02 \\ & (0.03) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\text {t-1 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.58 \\ & (0.44) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.32 \\ & (0.27) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.06 \\ & (0.13) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.72 \\ & (0.85) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.10 \\ & (0.13) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln$ RISK $_{\text {t-1 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.84 \\ & (1.14) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.04 \\ & (0.43) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.31 \\ & (0.33) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.39 \\ & (0.26) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.40 \\ & (0.53) \end{aligned}$ |
| Observations RMSE | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 588 \\ & 0.8699 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 588 \\ & 0.3542 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 588 \\ & 0.1325 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 588 \\ & 0.1692 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 588 \\ & 0.0890 \end{aligned}$ |

Note: *** denotes significance at the one percent level. ** denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Standard errors are reported in parentheses. In POLS and FE regressions, the reported standard errors are heteroskedasticity-robust and clustered by country. Hausman test suggests choose the FE estimator over the RE estimator (p-value=0.01). GDP denotes the host country's market size, TAX relative tax rates, COST relative labour costs, SKILL relative skilled labour, OPEN the host country's openness, FER fluctuations of the exchange rate, TC transport costs, RISK the host country's political risks. RMSE is root mean squared error. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix I.4.

Table I.4.4:
The estimation of the models using two-year lagged values for explanatory variables

|  | (1) POLS | (2) <br> FE | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(3) \\ & M G \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(4) \\ & \text { CCEP } \end{aligned}$ | (5) CCEMG |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.45^{* * *} \\ & (0.17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.97^{* *} \\ & (0.75) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.02^{*} \\ & (0.61) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.77^{* *} \\ & (0.38) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.53^{* *} \\ & (0.67) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\text {t-2 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.72^{* * *} \\ & (0.17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.17 \\ & (0.24) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.08 \\ & (0.15) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.34 * * * \\ & (0.11) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.31 \\ & (0.19) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{t-2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-1.98^{* *} \\ & (0.73) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.66 \\ & (0.44) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.40^{* *} \\ & (0.18) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.11 \\ & (0.21) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.30 \\ & (0.54) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln$ SKILL $_{\text {t-2 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.99 \\ & (1.17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.72 \\ & (0.68) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.32 \\ & (0.46) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.58^{* *} \\ & (0.27) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.38 \\ & (0.47) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\text {t-2 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.67 * * * \\ & (0.54) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.27^{* *} \\ & (0.61) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.31 \\ & (0.33) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.40 \\ & (0.25) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.12 \\ & (0.57) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.07 \\ & (0.09) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.05^{* *} \\ & (0.02) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.04^{* * *} \\ & (0.02) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.03 * * * \\ & (0.01) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.03^{*} \\ & (0.02) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.54 \\ & (0.46) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.42 \\ & (0.29) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.07 \\ & (0.15) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.03 \\ & (0.08) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.01 \\ & (0.10) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln$ RISK $_{\text {t-2 }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.99 \\ & (1.15) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.30 \\ & (0.41) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.45^{*} \\ & (0.25) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.27 \\ & (0.23) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.73 * * \\ & (0.35) \end{aligned}$ |
| Observations RMSE | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 567 \\ & 0.8733 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 567 \\ & 0.3490 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 567 \\ & 0.1236 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 567 \\ & 0.1332 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 567 \\ & 0.0627 \end{aligned}$ |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. In POLS and FE regressions, the reported standard errors are heteroskedasticity-robust and clustered by country. Hausman test suggests choose the FE estimator over the RE estimator ( p -value=0.01). GDP denotes the host country's market size, TAX relative tax rates, COST relative labour costs, SKILL relative skilled labour, OPEN the host country's openness, FER fluctuations of the exchange rate, TC transport costs, RISK the host country's political risks. RMSE is root mean squared error. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix I.5.

In order to discriminate between the one and two-year lagged models, this study compares the root mean square error (RMSE) of the two models. Except for POLS, the RMSE of all other regressions for the model with two-year lags is smaller than that of the model with one-year lags. Thus, the fit of the model is better in the two-year lagged form. The result suggests FDI may be best explained by two-year lagged information rather than one-year lagged information. The section below concentrates on discussing estimation results for the models using two-year lagged values of the explanatory variables in Table I.4.4.

In POLS estimation with assumptions on the homogeneity of slope parameters and factor loadings for unobserved common factors, the coefficients on the variables of market size, $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, the relative tax rates, $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, the relative labour costs, $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ and the host country's openness, $\ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are significant; the elasticities are $1.45,-0.72,-1.98$ and 1.67 , respectively. This result implies a one-percent increase in the market size and openness of the host country, on average, increases the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 1.45 and 1.67 per cent, respectively, while a one-percent increase in relative tax rate and relative labour costs, on average, decreases the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 0.72 and 1.98 percent, respectively. Other variables - the relative skilled labour, $\ln$ SKILL $_{t-2}$, the fluctuations of the exchange rate $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, transport costs, $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and the host country's political risks, $\ln$ RISK $_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are found to be insignificant in the OLS estimation. Note that the POLS estimator does not control for unobserved country-specific effects, for example, cultural differences or geographic distance between the investing country and host countries, which may influence US FDI to the host country. In addition, the results of the CIPS and LLC tests (see Table I.4.5, p.40) show that the residuals estimated by POLS
may contain a unit root. The implication is that the variables are not cointegrated and that the regression may be spurious. A further point is that the result of Pesaran (2004)'s cross-section dependence (CD) test (see Table I.4.6, p.41) indicates that the POLS residuals are cross-sectionally dependent. Therefore, the POLS estimation results are likely to be biased.

In order to control for country-specific effects, we can use FE and RE estimators where country-specific effects are taken into account and treated as fixed and random parameters in the regression respectively. To decide between the FE and the RE estimator, this study runs a Hausman test where the null hypothesis is that the preferred model is RE versus the alternative being FE. The result of the Hausman test rejects the null hypothesis at the one percent level of significance, implying that the FE model should be preferred over the RE model.

The results of FE estimation in Table I.4.4 show that the coefficients on variables for the host country's market size, $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, the host country's openness, $\ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and the variability of the exchange rate, $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are significant and the elasticities are approximately $1.97,1.27$ and -0.05 respectively. These results imply that a one percent increase in the host country's market size and openness, on average, increases the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 1.97 and 1.27 percent respectively while a one percent increase in fluctuations of the exchange rate, on average, decreases the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 0.05 per cent. The coefficients on the other variables including relative tax rates, $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, relative labour costs, $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, relative skilled labour, $\ln \mathrm{SKILL}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, transport costs, $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and political risks, $\ln \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are found to be insignificant. However, similar to the POLS estimation, the results of the M-W and CIPS tests (see Table I.4.5, p.40) do not reject the hypothesis of the presence of a
unit root in the FE residuals, implying that the FE regression may be spurious. In addition, the residuals estimated from the FE estimator are found to be cross-sectionally dependent on the basis of Pesaran's CD test (see Table I.4.6, p.41). Thus, the FE coefficients are likely to be biased.

In the MG estimation which allows the effects of the observed explanatory variables to vary across countries, the coefficients on the variables for market size, $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and political risks, $\ln \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are significant at the ten percent level with values 1.02 and 0.45 respectively whereas those on the variables for relative labour costs, $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ and the fluctuations of the exchange rate, $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$ are approximately -0.40 and -0.04 , and are significant at the one and five percent level respectively. In contrast to the results in the POLS and FE estimates, the coefficient on the variable for the host country's political risks, $\ln$ RISK $_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, in the MG estimates is found to be significant at the ten percent level and approximately 0.45 . These results imply that a one percent increase in the market size and the risk index of the host country, on average, increases the US FDI stock by 1.02 and 0.45 percent respectively, while a one percent increase in relative labour costs and the fluctuations of the exchange rate, on average, decreases the FDI stock by 0.40 and 0.04 percent respectively. Other variables, including relative tax rates, $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, relative skilled labour, $\ln$ SKILL $_{t-2}$, the host country's openness, $\ln$ OPEN $_{t-2}$ and transport costs, $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are found to have an insignificant effect on US FDI stock to the host country. Unlike the POLS and FE cases, all three unit-root tests suggest that the MG residuals are likely to be stationary (see Table I.4.5, p.40). This implies that there exists a cointegrating long-run relationship between the variables in the model. The CD test does not reject the null hypothesis of the absence of cross-section dependence in the MG residuals (see Table I.4.6, p.41). However, the p-value in the CD test is just 0.12 , and thus the
absence of cross-section dependence in the MG residuals seems not to be safely confirmed. Note that, in the MG estimation, unobserved common factors are controlled for by introducing a time trend in the regression model for each country, and thus the effect of unobserved common factors is allowed to vary across country. However, the use of the country-specific time trend restricts the unobserved common factors to be (smoothly) increasing or decreasing over time.

Table I.4.5: Unit root tests for the estimated residuals

|  | POLS | FE | MG | CCEP | CCEMG |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| LLC test (p-value) | 0.30 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| M-W test (p-value) | 0.22 | 0.11 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| CIPS test (p-value) | 0.95 | 0.73 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |

Note: The lag length of the unit root tests is three. This study experimented with different lag lengths up to order three: the results did not change significantly.

Next, this study uses the CCEP estimator in which the effects of unobserved common factors are permitted to be heterogeneous although the parameters of the explanatory variables are constrained to be identical across countries (as in POLS, RE and FE, but not MG). In the CCEP estimates, the variables for relative labour costs, $\ln \operatorname{COST}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, the host country's openness, $\ln \mathrm{OPEN}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, transport costs, $\ln \mathrm{TC}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and the political risks of the host country, $\ln \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are found to be insignificant while the variables for the host-country market size, $\quad \ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, relative tax rates $\ln \mathrm{TAX}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, relative skilled labour, $\ln$ SKILL $_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and the exchange-rate variability, $\ln \mathrm{FER}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are significant with their coefficients being approximately $0.77,-0.34,0.58$ and -0.03 respectively. The results indicate that a one percent increase in the relative tax rate and the fluctuation of the exchange rate, on average, reduces the US FDI stock by 0.34
and 0.03 per cent respectively, whereas a one-percent increase in the host country's market size and relative skilled labour, on average, raises the US FDI stock by 0.77 and 0.58 per cent respectively. Like the MG estimation, the results of LLC, M-W and CIPS unit-root tests indicate that the residuals estimated from the CCEP estimation are potentially stationary. However, the result of the CD test rejects the null hypothesis, implying that the CCEP residuals are potentially cross-sectionally dependent. Therefore, it is likely that the CCEP results could also be biased.

Table I.4.6: Cross dependence tests for the estimated residuals

|  | POLS | FE | MG | CCEP | CCEMG |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CD test (p-value) | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.59 |

Note: CD test is Pesaran (2004) test with the null hypothesis of cross-section independence.

This study continues to attempt to improve on the estimation approach by using the recently-developed CCEMG estimator, which allows the effects of the observed explanatory variables and the factor loadings on unobserved common factors to vary across individual countries. The CCEMG regression shows that the coefficients on the variables of the host country's market size, $\ln \mathrm{GDP}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, and the host country's political risks, $\ln \mathrm{RISK}_{\mathrm{t}-2}$, are found to be significant at the five percent level, with values approximately 1.53 and 0.73 respectively, whereas that on exchange-rate fluctuations is found to be significant at the ten percent level with a value of -0.03 . These estimation results imply that a one percent increase in the market size and the risk index of the host country will, on average, increase the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 1.53 and 0.73 per cent respectively, while a one percent increase in the fluctuations of the exchange rate will, on average, decrease the level of the US FDI stock in the host country by 0.03 per cent. Other
explanatory variables including relative tax rates, relative labour costs, relative skilled labour, the host country's openness and transports costs are found to have insignificant effects on the level of the US FDI stock in the host country in the CCEMG estimation. In addition, this study runs an F-test to test the joint significance of cross-section averages of variables which are used to capture the heterogeneous effects of unobserved common factors in the CCEMG estimator. The result of the F-test shows that the cross-section averages are jointly significant at the one percent level.

The results of the LLC, M-W and CIPS unit-root tests (see Table I.4.5) indicate that the estimated residuals from the CCEMG estimation are potentially stationary. This means that variables (including unobserved common factors) are likely to be cointegrated, implying the existence of a long-run relationship in the data. In addition, the result of the CD test does not reject the null hypothesis with the p-value being 0.59 (see Table I.4.6), implying that the hypothesis that the CCEMG residuals are cross-sectionally independent is not rejected at conventional levels. These results indicate that the CCEMG estimation is to be preferred to the previous ones, because the POLS, FE and CCEP residuals may be non-stationary and/or cross-sectionally dependent. Although CD tests do not reject the presence of cross-sectional dependence in the residuals estimated from the CCEMG and MG estimators, the p-value of the CD test for the CCEMG residuals (equal to 0.59 ) is much larger than that of the MG (equal to 0.12). Moreover, the RMSE of the CCEMG estimator is found to be smaller than that of the MG estimator, implying that the fit of the model estimated by CCEMG is better than that of the model fitted by the MG estimator. Therefore, the CCEMG estimator is preferred. In terms of theory, it can be seen that the significance of the host country's market size, political risks, and fluctuations of the exchange rate in
the CCEMG estimation supports the perspective of locational factors in the eclectic theory. Also, the significance of the market size variable for FDI supports the theory of horizontal FDI. In addition, a negative effect of exchange-rate fluctuations on FDI supports the theory of currency area, in that a host country with large fluctuations of the exchange rate deters inward FDI because investors may worry that those large fluctuations can lead to instability in the economic environment in that country.

Above, this chapter has reported empirical results where we in turn used POLS, FE, MG, CCEP and CCEMG estimators with different properties. The next chapter will provide the conclusion of this study.

## CHAPTER I.5:

## CONCLUSION

This study has used aggregate macro-panel data to investigate empirically the effects of market size, relative tax rates, relative labour costs, relative skilled labour, openness, fluctuations of the exchange rate, transport costs and political risks on US foreign direct investment to OECD countries in the period 19822010. In the study, we experimented with two groups of models, of which the first group consists of models using one-year lagged values of the explanatory variables and the second consists of models using two-year lagged values of the explanatory variables. This is because the explanatory variables are argued to react to FDI with a lag of one or two years. In addition, the use of lagged values could help to reduce the problem of a simultaneous effect of FDI on these variables. Empirical results in this study suggest using the models with two-year lags for explanatory variables, and thus the conclusion below is based on the estimation results from these models.

The empirical findings seem to reject the inferences from the POLS, FE and CCEP estimators because the estimated residuals achieved from these estimations are found to be cross-sectionally dependent and/or possibly nonstationary. It is possible that the cross-section dependence and/or nonstationarity of the residuals are potentially caused by the restrictions of the homogeneity of the slope coefficients on the observed explanatory variables, and the homogeneity of the factor loadings on the unobserved common factors. Unlike the POLS, FE and CCEP residuals, the MG and CCEMG residuals are found to be stationary and do not show serious evidence of cross-section dependence. In the MG estimation, which allows for the heterogeneity of the slope parameters on the observed explanatory variables, the market size of the host country was found to have a significant effect on US FDI stock to the host
country in the period 1982-2010, and relative labour costs, fluctuations of the exchange rate and the host country's political risks were also found to have significant effects on the US FDI stock. Although the CD test does not reject the null hypothesis of the absence of cross-section dependence in the MG residuals at conventional levels, the p -value in the CD test is just 0.12 ; and thus the absence of cross-section dependence in the MG residuals seems not to be safely confirmed. Note that in the MG estimation, unobserved common factors are controlled for by introducing country-specific time trends, and thus the factor loadings on unobserved common factors are allowed to vary across countries. However, the use of the country-specific time trend restricts the unobserved common factors to be (smoothly) increasing or decreasing over time.

In the CCEMG estimation, which allows for the heterogeneity of the slope parameters on the observed explanatory variables and in the factor loadings on the unobserved common factors, in order to fulfil the research aims set out in the introduction, the host country's market size was found to have a significant effect on US FDI stock to the host country in the period 1982-2010, and a political risk index of the host country and fluctuations of the exchange rate were also found to have a significant effect on the US FDI stock. These results are likely to be similar to those of the MG estimation. However, in the CCEMG estimation, relative labour costs were found to have an insignificant impact on the FDI stock. The result differs from MG estimation where the relative labour costs were found to be significant. The influences of other variables, including relative tax rates, relative skilled labour, the host country's openness and transport costs on the US FDI stock were also found to be insignificant in the CCEMG estimation. In addition, the result of the F-test rejects the exclusion of the cross-section averages of variables which are used
to capture the unobserved common factors with heterogeneous impacts on FDI from the CCEMG regression. Unlike the POLS, FE and CCEP cases, the inference from the CCEMG estimates should not be rejected because its estimated residuals were found to be stationary and cross-sectionally independent. Moreover, the inference from the CCEMG estimator is likely to be preferred over that of the MG because the p-value of the CD test for CCEMG residuals is larger than that for the MG residuals and additionally the fit of the CCEMG model was found to be better than that of MG.

In brief, the empirical results from the preferred CCEMG estimates indicate that US FDI seems to be attracted to host countries with a large market size, little risk in the investment climate, corruption or the legal environment, and stability of the exchange rate. The CCEMG regression can allow for common shocks, for example the global financial crisis, and/or average ownershipspecific advantages of US firms such as advanced technology or superior managerial systems that could affect FDI from the US to OECD countries. This could be reasonable because US firms are known as leading firms in innovation, knowledge and ways to efficiently operate. The significance of the variable for political risks may also reinforce this, because the FDI motivated by these factors may tend to attach importance to the host countries which have high transparency and efficiency in the investment and business environment, and are known for the impartiality of the legal system and the observance of the law (e.g. commercial dispute regulations, assets and property or intellectual property laws).

In terms of theory, the evidence that the host country's market size, fluctuations of the exchange rates and the host country's risks of investment climate, corruption and legal environment have significant effects on FDI in this study supports the perspective of locational factors in the eclectic theory.

On the other hand, although transport costs are found to be insignificant, the finding of the significance of the host country's market size for FDI is likely to support the theory of horizontal FDI to some extent. In addition, the finding of the negative effect of exchange-rate fluctuations on FDI also supports the theory of currency area, in that a host country with large fluctuations of the exchange rate discourages inward FDI because investors may worry that those large fluctuations can lead to uncertainty or instability in the economic environment in that country. Vertical FDI theory and Kojima's theory seem not to be supported, because of the finding of insignificance for the relativeendowment variables. It is worth noting that the significance of the host country's market size is robustly positive throughout all estimators (including the POLS, FE, MG, CCEP and CCEMG) while that of fluctuations of the exchange rate is robustly negative in all estimators, excepting the POLS.

It can be seen that this study makes the following contributions to the panel literature on determinants driving FDI from a country to a cross-section of host countries. Firstly, the empirical literature tends to apply standard panel data estimators that constrain the observed explanatory variables' parameters to be homogeneous across recipients. This assumption can be too strong, because the influence of a factor on FDI may be heterogeneous for different countries. In this research, the data seem to reject empirical specifications which impose homogeneity of the slope parameters.

Secondly, the empirical results in this study show that the exclusion of unobserved common factors, or a constraint of the homogeneity of the factor loadings for the unobserved common factors, may potentially produce serious biases in the findings. It is noteworthy that, in the context of the investigation on FDI from an investing country to a cross-section of host countries, besides global shocks, common factors could include the time-varying average
advanced knowledge, technology or innovation of the investing country's firms. Those factors seem to be likely to be relevant to ownership/internalization advantages that may influence FDI, as suggested in Hymer (1976), Kindleberger (1969), Buckley and Casson (1976) and Dunning (1977, 1981). Therefore, they should be carefully addressed in the estimation. This study adopted a new approach to address these two issues of the previous literature by employing the recent CCEMG estimator, in order to take unobserved common factors into account and permit heterogeneous effects of both observed variables and the unobserved common factors across recipients in the empirical estimation. The empirical results seem to support this approach rather than more standard ones and thereby indicate that this approach should be considered for future empirical analyses of the determinants of FDI. In addition, the panel dataset employed in this research is an additional contribution to the literature. To the best of our knowledge, the data used are more recent than in previous work on FDI from US to OECD countries. Thus, our findings are making use of additional information.

This study has the following limitations. Firstly, it does not deal with dynamics in detail. This is because the theoretical CCEMG set-up in Pesaran (2006) and Kapetanios, Pesaran and Yamagata (2011) does not allow for dynamics in the model. The CCEMG estimator was chosen because it allows for the heterogeneity of observed variables and unobserved common factors across countries. Standard dynamic panel estimators such as Anderson-Hsiao, Arellano-Bond ${ }^{4}$ or dynamic FE do not allow for the heterogeneity of the effects of the observed variables and unobserved common factors across countries.

[^2]A second limitation is that the assumption of the exogeneity of regressors in CCEMG could be too strong. The use of two-year lagged values for independent variables in this study may help to reduce the effect of the dependent variables on independent variables to some extent; however, this may not avoid the problem completely.

This study has examined how the results vary across different estimators and models. In an area like this one, models are approximations at best. In that case, it makes sense to report several different models, and readers can then gain a sense of the different findings implied by different models, and identify those findings that are sensitive to the precise model estimated. There is a recent working paper by Chudik and Pesaran (2013) which extends the CCEMG estimator to weakly exogenous regressors and allows for dynamics in the model. However, the theoretical results of the CCEMG in that paper are currently only for the case when the dependent variable and regressors are stationary. In our case, since the dependent variable and most regressors appear to be $\mathrm{I}(1)$, the existing results are not applicable, and otherwise the theoretical properties of the CCEMG estimator applied to dynamic models are not yet known. Future progress in this area will help to ensure that empirical work on the determinants of FDI will be increasingly informative.

STUDY II:
AN INVESTIGATION OF THE HUMAN-CAPITAL AUGMENTED SOLOW MODEL

## CHAPTER II.1:

## INTRODUCTION

This study aims to estimate the human-capital augmented Solow model (HCASM) which is proposed by Mankiw, Romer and Weil (1992) based on the work by Solow (1956) and Swan (1956). In particular, this study tests the effect of the investment rate, labour-force growth and the level of human capital on the level of the growth path of output per worker, as well as examining the HCASM's prediction of conditional convergence. This study differs from previous cross-country empirical studies partly in that it uses the newest version of the Penn World Table, version 8.0, recently published by Feenstra, Inklaar and Timmer (2013) and the newest Educational Attainment Dataset version 1.3 recently published by Barro and Lee (2013) to estimate the model. To our knowledge, these recent datasets have not yet been used to test the HCASM in the literature.

The second aim of this study is to test whether the HCASM can account for the growth of countries in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia - the two regions are often known as contrasting regions in terms of economic growth over recent decades.

The structure of this study is as follows. Chapter two presents the literature review. Chapter three discusses the empirical methods and data used in this study. Chapter four reports empirical results and, finally, chapter five provides the conclusion of the research.

## CHAPTER II.2:

## LITERATURE REVIEW

The literature on economic growth is extensive in terms of both the theory and empirics. Excellent surveys are found in many works such as those by Temple (1999), Barro and Sala-i-Martin (2004), and Durlauf, Johnson and Temple (2005). The growth literature is generally categorized into two main groups being the neoclassical models and the endogenous growth models. The neoclassical models with an exogenous saving rate rely on the studies proposed by Solow (1956) and Swan (1956). Assuming a production function with diminishing returns to capital, the Solow-Swan model (hereafter the Solow model) predicts that the saving rate has a positive effect, while the labour-force growth rate has a negative effect, on a country's steady-state output per worker. Further, it makes a prediction about conditional convergence, namely if structural parameters of countries are similar, those with a lower initial level of output per worker tend to grow faster than those with a higher initial level of output per worker. However, one debateable assumption made in the Solow model is that the long-run rate of growth is determined exogenously by the rate of technological change. By contrast, assuming non-diminishing returns to factors of production, endogenous growth models suggested in studies such as those by Romer (1986) and Lucas (1988) endogenously take the change of technology into account by introducing research and development into the model, treating human capital investment decisions as endogenous, or by assuming a learning-by-doing process. These models often do not support the convergence hypothesis (Mankiw, Romer and Wei, 1992; Barro and Sala-iMartin, 2004). Although the number of studies based on endogenous growth models increased in the 1980s and 1990s, the neo-classical model is still a popular model in the empirical study of growth. The theoretical framework of
the Solow model provides the fundamental specification for many empirical studies, for example those by Mankiw, Romer and Wei (1992) (hereafter MRW), Islam (1995), Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996), Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) and Hoeffler (2002). The studies commonly estimate the Solow model based on a Cobb-Douglass production function. More recently, Duffy and Papageorgiou (2000) and Masanjala and Papageorgiou (2004) extended the Solow model to a constant-elasticity-of-substitution production function. The purpose of this chapter is to focus on the review of the neoclassical model which relies on the Cobb-Douglas production function, which is investigated in our empirical study. This chapter consists of two sections. The first section reviews the basic Solow model, and then the second section reviews the human-capital augmented Solow model (HCASM) and major empirical studies on the HCASM.

## The basic Solow model

The basic Solow model ${ }^{5}$ assumes a neoclassical production at time $t$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y_{t}=F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right) \tag{II.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Y_{t}$ is output, $K_{t}$ is physical capital, $L_{t}$ is labour and $A_{t}$ is technology. $A_{t} L_{t}$ is referred to as effective labour, taking into account labour $\left(L_{t}\right)$ and technology $\left(A_{t}\right)$.

The neoclassical production function has three important assumptions (Barro and Sala-i-Martin, 2004; Romer, 2006). Firstly, it has constant returns to scale in its capital and labour input:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(a K_{t}, a A_{t} L_{t}\right)=a * F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right) \quad \text { for all } a \geq 0 \tag{II.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

[^3]Under the above assumption, setting $a=\frac{1}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ yields the intensive form of the production function

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}=F\left(\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}, 1\right)=\frac{1}{A_{t} L_{t}} F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right) \tag{II.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{t} \equiv \frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}, k_{t} \equiv \frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}} \text { and } f\left(k_{t}\right) \equiv F\left(k_{t}, 1\right) \tag{II.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y_{t} \equiv \frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ refers to output per effective worker and $k_{t} \equiv \frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ refers to capital per effective worker.

Then, equation (II.3) can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{t}=f\left(k_{t}\right) \tag{II.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

The second assumption for the production function is the rule of diminishing returns in capital and labour. This assumption implies that, holding labour and the level of technology constant, the marginal product of capital is positive but it decreases if capital increases. Similarly, under the assumption of diminishing returns to labour, the marginal product of labour is positive but it decreases if labour increases, holding capital and the level of technology constant.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial K_{t}}>0 \text { and } \frac{\partial^{2} F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial K_{\mathrm{t}}^{2}}<0 \\
& \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial L_{t}}>0 \text { and } \frac{\partial^{2} F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial L_{\mathrm{t}}^{2}}<0
\end{aligned}
$$

The third assumption is that the production function satisfies the Inada (1963) conditions as follows

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \lim _{K_{t} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial K_{t}}=\infty \text { and } \lim _{K_{t} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial K_{t}}=0 \\
& \lim _{L_{t} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial L_{t}}=\infty \text { and } \lim _{L_{t} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\partial F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)}{\partial L_{t}}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

The assumptions imply that the marginal product of capital (or labour) is very large if capital (or labour) is very small, and the marginal product becomes very small if capital (or labour) is very large.

Let us use the Cobb-Douglas production function as an example to illustrate the basic Solow model

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y_{t}=F\left(K_{t}, A_{t} L_{t}\right)=K_{t}^{\alpha}\left(A_{t} L_{t}\right)^{1-\alpha} \quad 0<\alpha<1 \tag{II.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Under the first neoclassical assumption, the Cobb-Douglas production function can be written in the intensive form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{t}=f\left(k_{t}\right)=k_{t}^{\alpha} \tag{II.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ and $k_{t}=\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$
It can be seen that equation (II.7) satisfies the second and third neoclassical assumptions.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial f\left(k_{t}\right)}{\partial k_{t}}=\alpha k_{t}^{\alpha-1}>0 \text { and } \frac{\partial^{2} f\left(k_{t}\right)}{\partial k_{\mathrm{t}}^{2}}=\alpha(\alpha-1) k_{t}^{\alpha-2}<0 \\
& \lim _{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial f\left(k_{t}\right)}{\partial k_{t}}=\lim _{k \rightarrow 0}\left(\alpha k_{t}^{\alpha-1}\right)=\infty \text { and } \lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\partial f\left(k_{t}\right)}{\partial k_{t}}=\lim _{k \rightarrow \infty}\left(\alpha k_{t}^{\alpha-1}\right)=0
\end{aligned}
$$

We now consider the Solow model in continuous time. Assuming that technology and labour force grow at rates $g$ and $n$ respectively

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{\dot{A_{t}}}{A_{t}}=g  \tag{II.8}\\
& \frac{\dot{L_{t}}}{L_{t}}=n \tag{II.9}
\end{align*}
$$

or equivalently

$$
\begin{align*}
& A_{t}=A_{0} e^{g t}  \tag{II.10}\\
& L_{t}=L_{0} e^{n t} \tag{II.11}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\dot{A_{t}}$ and $\dot{L_{t}}$ are derivatives of $A_{\mathrm{t}}$ and $L_{\mathrm{t}}$ with respect to time, $g$ and $n$ are exogenous parameters, and $A_{0}$ and $L_{0}$ are the values of $A$ and $L$ at $t=0$.

Then effective labour, $A_{t} L_{t}$, grows at rate $(n+g)$.

Suppose that a fixed fraction of output, $s$, is invested or saved. One unit of output is invested yields one unit of new capital. Additionally, existing capital depreciates at rate $\delta$. Therefore, the change of capital stock can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{K}_{t}=s Y_{t}-\delta K_{t} \tag{II.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\dot{K}_{t}$ is the derivative of $K_{t}$ with respect to time.
Dividing both sides of equation (II.12) by $A_{t} L_{t}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}=s \frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}-\delta \frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}} \tag{II.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}=s y_{t}-\delta k_{t} \tag{II.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

It can be seen that the left-hand side of equation (II.I4) is the instantaneous change in the capital stock, $\dot{K}_{t}$, divided by efficiency units of labour, which can be interpreted as net investment per effective worker. The right-hand-side
variables are quantities expressed in efficiency units of labour, and it would be useful to write the left-hand-side in terms of the growth rate of capital per effective worker, $k_{t}$. This can be done as follows:

Since $k_{t}=\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$, the time-derivative of $k_{t}$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
\dot{k}_{t}=\frac{\dot{K}_{t} A_{t} L_{t}-K_{t}\left(\dot{A}_{t} L_{t}+A_{t} \dot{L}_{t}\right)}{\left(A_{t} L_{t}\right)^{2}} & =\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}-\left(\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}} \frac{\dot{A}_{t}}{A_{t}}+\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}} \frac{\dot{L}_{t}}{L_{t}}\right) \\
& =\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}-\left(\frac{\dot{A}_{t}}{A_{t}}+\frac{\dot{L}_{t}}{L_{t}}\right) k_{t} \tag{II.15}
\end{align*}
$$

Substituting for $\frac{\dot{A}_{t}}{A_{t}}$ and $\frac{\dot{L}_{t}}{L_{t}}$ from (II.8) and (II.9) respectively into (II.15) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{k}_{t}=\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}-(g+n) k_{t} \tag{II.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $\frac{\dot{K}_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ from (II.14) into (II.16) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{k}_{t}=s y_{t}-(n+g+\delta) k_{t} \tag{II.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $y_{t}$ from (II.7) into (II.17) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{k}_{t}=s f\left(k_{t}\right)-(n+g+\delta) k_{t} \tag{II.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (II.18) provides an equation of motion for the capital stock per effective worker. It shows that the change in the capital stock per effective worker is equal to the actual investment per effective worker, $s f(k)$, minus the break-even investment per effective worker, $(n+g+\delta) k$. The break-even investment per effective worker can be interpreted as the amount of investment necessary to keep $k$ at the existing level. There are two reasons that some investment is needed to keep $k$ constant: firstly, since existing capital is
depreciating, $\delta k$ is needed to keep the capital stock from falling; secondly, because the quantity of effective labour is growing at rate $n+g$, the $(n+g) k$ is need to provide new capital for the new effective labour to hold $k$ steady (Romer, 2006).

Equation (II.18) implies that $k$ converges to its steady state, $k^{*}$. The steady state is determined by setting equation (II.18) equal to zero:

$$
\dot{k}_{t}=0
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
s f\left(k^{*}\right)=(n+g+\delta) k^{*} \tag{II.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (II.7) we have $f\left(k^{*}\right)=\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}$. Substituting for $f\left(k^{*}\right)$ into (II.19) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
s\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}=(n+g+\delta) k^{*} \tag{II.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
k^{*}=\left(\frac{s}{n+g+\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \tag{II.21}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (II.21), we can see the effects of the investment rate and the labour growth rate on output per worker in the steady state as follows. Firstly, take natural logarithms of equation (II.6)

$$
\ln Y_{t}=\alpha \ln K_{t}+(1-\alpha) \ln A_{t}+(1-\alpha) \ln L_{t}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)=\alpha \ln \left(\frac{K_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)+(1-\alpha) \ln A_{t} \tag{II.22}
\end{equation*}
$$

We have $k_{t}=\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ or $\frac{K_{t}}{L_{t}}=k_{t} A_{t}$
In the steady state: $k_{t}=k^{*}$, thus we substitute for $k_{t}$ from (II.21) into (II.23) which yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{K_{t}}{L_{t}}=\left(\frac{s}{n+g+\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_{t} \tag{II.24}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $\frac{K_{t}}{L_{t}}$ from (II.24) into (II.22) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)=\ln A_{t}+\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln s-\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.25}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $A_{t}$ from (II.10) into (II.25) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)=\ln A_{0}+g t+\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln s-\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.26}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (II.26) predicts that, in the steady state, the investment rate in capital, $s$, is positively correlated with output per worker while the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$, is negatively correlated with output per worker. This implies that a country with a higher the investment rate in capital will tend to be richer in terms of per worker output while a country with a higher growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) will tend to be poorer in per worker output in the steady state.

One concern of the Solow model is the rate at which an economy reaches its steady state. The convergence rate is determined as follows:

Recall equation (II.18) of the Solow model

$$
\dot{k}_{t}=s f\left(k_{t}\right)-(n+g+\delta) k_{t}
$$

Call the right-hand-side of the equation (II.18) as a function $z(k)$. The function $z(k)$ can be rewritten as

$$
\begin{equation*}
z\left(k_{t}\right)=z\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right)=s f\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right)-(n+g+\delta) e^{\ln k_{t}} \tag{II.27}
\end{equation*}
$$

Differentiating equation (II.27) with respect to $\ln k_{t}$ yields

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial z\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right)}{\partial \ln k_{t}} & =s f^{\prime}\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right) e^{\ln k_{t}}-(n+g+\delta) e^{\ln k_{t}} \\
& =s f^{\prime}\left(k_{t}\right) k_{t}-(n+g+\delta) k_{t} \tag{II.28}
\end{align*}
$$

The first-order Taylor series approximation of $z($.$) with respect to \ln k_{t}$ around the steady state $k_{t}=k^{*}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
z\left(k_{t}\right)=z\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right) \approx z\left(e^{\ln k^{*}}\right)+\left.\frac{\partial z\left(e^{\ln k}\right)}{\partial \ln k}\right|_{k=k^{*}}\left(\ln k-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.29}
\end{equation*}
$$

In the steady state: $\dot{k}_{t}=0$ and hence we have $z\left(k^{*}\right)=z\left(e^{\ln k^{*}}\right)=0$. Therefore, when the economy is close to the steady state, equation (II.29) becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.z\left(k_{t}\right) \approx \frac{\partial z\left(e^{\ln k_{t}}\right)}{\partial \ln k_{t}}\right|_{k_{t}=k^{*}}\left(\ln k_{t}-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.30}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $\frac{\partial z\left(e^{\ln k}\right)}{\partial \ln k}$ from (II.28) into (II.30) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
z\left(k_{t}\right) \approx\left[s f^{\prime}\left(k^{*}\right) k^{*}-(n+g+\delta) k^{*}\right]\left(\ln k-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.31}
\end{equation*}
$$

In addition, in the steady state, from (II.19) we have

$$
s f\left(k^{*}\right)=(n+g+\delta) k^{*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
s=\frac{(n+g+\delta) k^{*}}{f\left(k^{*}\right)} \tag{II.32}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $s$ from (II.32) into (II.31) gives

$$
\begin{gather*}
z\left(k_{t}\right) \approx\left[\frac{(n+g+\delta) k^{*}}{f\left(k^{*}\right)} f^{\prime}\left(k^{*}\right) k^{*}-(n+g+\delta) k^{*}\right]\left(\ln k-\ln k^{*}\right) \\
=-\left(1-\frac{f^{\prime}\left(k^{*}\right) k^{*}}{f\left(k^{*}\right)}\right)(n+g+\delta) k^{*}\left(\ln k-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.33}
\end{gather*}
$$

Since $z\left(k_{t}\right)=\dot{k}_{t}$, thus

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{k}_{t} \approx-\left(1-\frac{f^{\prime}\left(k_{t}\right) k_{t}}{f\left(k_{t}\right)}\right)(n+g+\delta) k_{t}\left(\ln k_{t}-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.34}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $k_{t}=\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$ and $\left(k_{t}\right)=y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$, the term $\frac{f^{\prime}(k) k}{f(k)}$ in (II.34) can be written as

$$
\frac{f^{\prime}(k) k}{f(k)}=\frac{f^{\prime}(k) \frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}}{\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}}=f^{\prime}(k) \frac{K_{t}}{Y_{t}}=r \frac{K_{t}}{Y_{t}}
$$

where $r$ is the return to capital.
Therefore, this term is the share of capital income in total income, $\alpha$.
Then, the growth rate of $k$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{k}_{t}}{k_{t}} \approx-(1-\alpha)(n+g+\delta)\left(\ln k_{t}-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.35}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda=(1-\alpha)(n+g+\delta) \tag{II.36}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then, equation (II.35) can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{k}_{t}}{k_{t}} \approx(-\lambda)\left(\ln k_{t}-\ln k^{*}\right) \tag{II.37}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (II.37) shows how quickly the capital stock per effective worker, $k$, approaches its steady state, $k^{*}$, thus $\lambda$ is called the rate of convergence. Similarly, we can find that $y$ also converges to its steady state at the same rate as follows: From (II.7), we have

$$
y_{t}=k_{t}^{\alpha}
$$

The above equation implies

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{y}_{t}}{y_{t}}=\alpha \frac{\dot{k}_{t}}{k_{t}} \tag{II.38}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $\frac{\dot{k}_{t}}{k_{t}}$ from (II.37) into (II.38), we find that output per effective worker, $y$, converges to its steady state at rate $\lambda$, the same rate as the convergence rate of the capital stock per effective worker, $k$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\dot{y}_{t}}{y_{t}}=\frac{d \ln y_{t}}{d t} \approx \alpha(-\lambda)\left(\ln k_{t}-\ln k^{*}\right) & =(-\lambda)\left(\alpha \ln k_{t}-\alpha \ln k^{*}\right) \\
& =(-\lambda)\left(\ln y_{t}-\ln y^{*}\right) \tag{II.39}
\end{align*}
$$

Equation (II.39) implies that $\ln y_{t}$ moves toward $\ln y^{*}$ at a speed approximately proportional to its distance from $\ln y^{*}$. That is, the growth rate of $\ln y_{t}-\ln y^{*}$ is approximately constant and equal to $-\lambda$ (Barro and Sala-i-Martin, 2004, pp.57-58; Romer, 2006, pp.25-26). This implies

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}+e^{-\lambda t} \ln y_{0} \tag{II.40}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y_{0}$ denotes initial output per effective worker.
Subtracting $\ln y_{0}$ from both sides of equation (II.40) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}-\ln y_{0}=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y_{0} \tag{II.41}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (II.7), we have $y_{t}=f\left(k_{t}\right)=k_{t}^{\alpha}$, thus $y^{*}=f\left(k^{*}\right)=\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}$

Substituting for $k^{*}$ from (II.21) into (II.42) yields $y^{*}=\left(\frac{s}{n+g+\delta}\right)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}}$
Substituting for $y^{*}$ from (II.43) into (II.41), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}-\ln y_{0}=-\rho \ln y_{0}+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (s)-\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.44}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)$.
The above equation expresses that the initial output per effective worker and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) are negatively correlated with the growth of output per effective worker, while the investment rate in capital is positively correlated with the growth of output per effective worker. Alternatively, equation (II.44) can be expressed in per worker terms instead of per effective worker terms. In addition, a formulation in per worker terms enables us to test the model empirically. We can reformulate equation (II.44) with respect to output per worker as follows:

We have $y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t} A_{t}}$. Substituting for $A_{t}$ from (II.10) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}\left(A_{0} e^{g t}\right)} \tag{II.45}
\end{equation*}
$$

Taking logs of both sides of equation (II.45) gives:
$\ln y_{t}=\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln A_{0}-g t \quad$ where $\left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)$ is the output per worker (II. 46)
Substituting for $\ln y_{t}$ from (II.45) into (II.46) yields:

$$
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)=-\rho \ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (s)-\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta)
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
+\rho \ln A_{0}+g t \quad \text { where } \rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda \tau}\right) \tag{II.47}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (II.47) implies that in the basic Solow model the growth rate of per worker output depends on initial output per worker, $\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}$, the investment rate in capital, $s$, the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$, the initial level of technology, $A_{0}$, and the rate of technological progress, $g$. Therefore, the basic Solow model predicts that initial output per worker and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) are negatively correlated with the growth of output per worker while the saving rate is positively correlated with the growth of output per worker. In addition, equation (II.47) indicates that the coefficient on the investment rate in capital is $\left(\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)$ while that on the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) is $\left(-\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)$, and thus the basic Solow model predicts that the coefficients on the investment rate in capital and the growth of the labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude and opposite signs.

## The human-capital augmented model (HCASM)

MRW argue that economists have long emphasized the importance of human capital to growth, and thus they suggest augmenting the basic Solow model by introducing human capital into the Solow model in order to consider the role of human capital in the process of growth. The Cobb-Douglas production function is then given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y_{t}=K_{t}^{\alpha} H_{t}^{\beta}\left(A_{t} L_{t}\right)^{1-\alpha-\beta} \quad(\alpha+\beta)<1 \tag{II.48}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are the exponents on physical and human capital respectively.
MRW assumed that there are diminishing returns to capital as a whole, and thus the sum of $\alpha$ and $\beta$ is less than one. Denote $s_{k}$ and $s_{h}$ as the proportions of output invested in physical and human capital respectively.

Assuming that physical capital and human capital depreciate at the same rate ${ }^{6}$, $\delta$, and using the same steps as in the previous section, the increase in physical capital per effective worker and human capital per effective worker at a point in time is

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{k}_{t}=s_{k} y_{t}-(n+g+\delta) k_{t}=s_{k} k_{t}^{\alpha} h_{t}^{\beta}-(n+g+\delta) k_{t}  \tag{II.49}\\
& \dot{h}_{t}=s_{h} y_{t}-(n+g+\delta) h_{t}=s_{h} k_{t}^{\alpha} h_{t}^{\beta}-(n+g+\delta) h_{t} \tag{II.50}
\end{align*}
$$

where
$k_{t}$ is defined as the stock of physical capital per effective worker, $k_{t}=\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$
$h_{t}$ is defined as the stock of human capital per effective worker, $h_{t}=\frac{H_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$,
and $y_{t}$ is defined as the level of output per effective worker, $y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}$.

Equation (II.49) and equation (II.50) imply that the physical capital per effective worker, $k_{t}$, and the human capital per effective worker, $h_{t}$, converge to their steady states, $k^{*}$ and $h^{*}$, respectively, where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \dot{k}_{t}=0 \\
& \dot{h}_{t}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

[^4]or
\[

$$
\begin{align*}
& s_{k}\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}\left(h^{*}\right)^{\beta}=(n+g+\delta) k^{*}  \tag{II.51}\\
& s_{h}\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}\left(h^{*}\right)^{\beta}=(n+g+\delta) h^{*} \tag{II.52}
\end{align*}
$$
\]

or

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}\left(h^{*}\right)^{\beta} & =\frac{(n+g+\delta) k^{*}}{s_{k}}  \tag{II.53}\\
\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}\left(h^{*}\right)^{\beta} & =\frac{(n+g+\delta) h^{*}}{s_{h}} \tag{II.54}
\end{align*}
$$

From equations (II.53) and (II.54), we have

$$
\frac{k^{*}}{s_{k}}=\frac{h^{*}}{s_{h}}
$$

or

$$
\begin{align*}
& k^{*}=h^{*} \frac{s_{k}}{s_{h}}  \tag{II.55}\\
& h^{*}=k^{*} \frac{s_{h}}{s_{k}} \tag{II.56}
\end{align*}
$$

Substituting for $h^{*}$ and $k^{*}$ from (II. 55) and (II. 56) into equations (II.51) and (II.52) respectively gives

$$
\begin{align*}
& k^{*}=\left[\frac{\left(s_{k}^{1-\beta} s_{h}^{\beta}\right)}{(n+g+\delta)}\right]^{1 /(1-\alpha-\beta)}  \tag{II.57}\\
& h^{*}=\left[\frac{\left(s_{k}^{\alpha} s_{h}^{1-\alpha}\right)}{(n+g+\delta)}\right]^{1 /(1-\alpha-\beta)} \tag{II.58}
\end{align*}
$$

The steady state output per worker can be determined by substituting equations (II.57) and (II.58) into the production function (II.48) and then taking logs

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)= & \ln A_{0}+g t+\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right) \\
& -\frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.59}
\end{align*}
$$

Equation (II.59) predicts that, in the steady state, the investment rate in physical capital, $s_{k}$, and the investment rate in human capital, $s_{h}$, are positively correlated with output per worker while the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$, is negatively correlated with output per worker. This implies that countries with higher investment rates in physical capital and human capital will tend to be richer while countries with a higher growth rate of the labour force will tend to be poorer in terms of output per worker in the steady state. MRW also present another way to consider the role of the human capital in the process of growth by using the level of human capital, $h^{*}$, instead of the rate of investment in the human capital, $s_{h}$, as follows.

Taking logs of both sides of equation (II. 58) yields

$$
\ln h^{*}=\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right)-\frac{1}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta)
$$

or

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{1}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right)= & \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \ln h^{*}-\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \frac{1}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.60}
\end{align*}
$$

Multiply both sides of equation (II.60) with $\beta$ to yield

$$
\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right)=\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \ln h^{*}-\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
+\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \frac{1}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.61}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for the term $\left[\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right)\right]$ from (II.61) into (II. 59) gives

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)= & \ln A_{0}+g t+\frac{\alpha}{(1-\alpha)} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \ln \left(h^{*}\right) \\
& -\frac{\alpha}{(1-\alpha)} \ln (n+g+\delta) \tag{II.62}
\end{align*}
$$

Equation (II.62) implies that a country with a higher investment rate in physical capital and a higher level of human capital will tend to be richer while a country with a higher growth rate of the labour force will tend to be poorer in terms of output per worker in the steady state.

Similarly as the previous section on the basic Solow model, in order to take into account transitional dynamics for equation (II.62), we call $y^{*}$ the steady state level of outcome per effective worker and $y_{t}$ as its actual value at time $t$. Approximating around the steady state, the convergence speed in the HCASM is computed by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d \ln \mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{t}}}{d t}=\lambda\left[\ln y^{*}-\ln y_{t}\right] \text { where } \lambda=(n+g+\delta)(1-\alpha-\beta) \tag{II.63}
\end{equation*}
$$

The equation (II.63) implies

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}+e^{-\lambda t} \ln y_{0} \tag{II.64}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y_{0}$ is the initial output per effective worker.
Subtracting $\ln y_{0}$ from both sides of the equation yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}-\ln y_{0}=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y_{0} \tag{II.65}
\end{equation*}
$$

We now try to compute $y^{*}$ as follows. Firstly, multiplying both sides of (II.48) by $\left(\frac{1}{A_{t} L_{t}}\right)$ yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{Y_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}=\left(\frac{K_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}\right)^{\alpha}\left(\frac{H_{t}}{A_{t} L_{t}}\right)^{\beta} \text { or } y_{t}=k_{t}^{\alpha} h_{t}^{\beta} \tag{II.66}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (II.66), $y^{*}$ is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
y^{*}=\left(k^{*}\right)^{\alpha}\left(h^{*}\right)^{\beta} \tag{II.67}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $k^{*}$ and $k^{*}$ from (II. 57) and (II. 58) respectively into (II. 67) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
y^{*}=\left[\frac{\left(s_{k}^{1-\beta} s_{h}^{\beta}\right)}{(n+g+\delta)}\right]^{\alpha /(1-\alpha-\beta)} *\left[\frac{\left(s_{k}^{\alpha} s_{h}^{1-\alpha}\right)}{(n+g+\delta)}\right]^{\beta /(1-\alpha-\beta)} \tag{II.68}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $y^{*}$ from (II. 68) into (II.65) yields

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln y_{t}-\ln y_{0}= & -\rho \ln y_{0}+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\rho \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right) \\
& -\rho \frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta) \text { where } \rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \tag{II.69}
\end{align*}
$$

Equation (II.69) expresses the correlation between the growth of output per effective worker and the initial output per effective worker, $y_{0}$, the investment rate in physical capital, $s_{k}$, the investment rate in human capital, $s_{h}$, and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$. Alternatively, equation (II.69) can be expressed in per worker terms instead of in per effective worker terms. In addition, a formulation in per worker terms enables us to test the model
empirically. We can reformulate equation (II.44) with respect to output per worker as follows:

We have

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{t}=\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t} A_{t}}=\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}\left(A_{0} e^{g t}\right)} \tag{II.70}
\end{equation*}
$$

Taking logs both side of equation (II.70) gives:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln y_{t}=\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln A_{0}-g t \quad \text { where }\left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right) \text { is output per worker } \tag{II.71}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting for $\ln y_{t}$ from (B.75) into equation (B.74) yields

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)= & -\rho \ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\rho \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right) \\
& -\rho \frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln (n+g+\delta)+\rho \ln A_{0}+g t \quad \text { (II. 72) } \tag{II.72}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)$ and $\lambda$ is the convergence rate to the steady state.
Equation (II.72) now represents the relationship between the growth of output per worker and the initial level of output per worker, $\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}$, the investment rate in physical capital, $s_{k}$, the investment rate in human capital, $s_{h}$, the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$, the initial level of technology, $A_{0}$, and the rate of technological progress, $g$, in the HCASM. The model predicts that the initial level of output per worker and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) negatively impact the growth rate of output per worker while the investment rate in physical capital and the investment rate in human capital positively impact the
growth rate of output per worker. In addition, equation (II.72) implies that the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital and the investment rate in human capital are $\left(\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha-\beta}\right)$ and $\left(\rho \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta}\right)$ respectively while that on the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) is $-\left(\rho \frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta}\right)$, and thus the HCASM further predicts that the sum of the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital, the investment rate in human capital and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) is zero.

Alternatively, the effect of human capital on the growth of output per worker can be analysed by using the level of human capital (instead of the investment rate in human capital). To consider the effect of the level of the human capital, we can substitute for the term $\left[\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha-\beta} \ln \left(s_{h}\right)\right]$ from (II.60) into equation (II.72). This leads to

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)= & -\rho \ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\rho \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \ln (h) \\
& -\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta)+\rho \ln A_{0}+g t \tag{II.73}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)$ and $\lambda$ is the convergence rate to the steady state.
In this study, the HCASM described by equation (II.73) is used in the empirical analysis. Equation (II.73) implies that in the HCASM the growth rate of output per worker depends on initial output per worker, $\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}$, the investment rate in physical capital, $s_{k}$, the level of human capital, $h$, the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $n+g+\delta$, the initial level of technology, $A_{0}$, and the rate of
technological progress, $g$. The model predicts that initial output per worker and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) are negatively correlated with the growth of output per worker while the investment rate in physical capital and the level of human capital are positively correlated with the growth of output per worker. In addition, equation (II.47) implies that the coefficient on the investment rate in physical capital is $\left(\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)$ while that on the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) is $\left(-\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)$, and thus the HCASM predicts that the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude and opposite signs. Equations (II.72) or (II.73) are used as a framework for empirical research in MRW, Islam (1995), Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996), Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) and Hoeffler (2002).

Using a cross-sectional sample including 98 countries over the period 19601985, MRW test the HCASM by using an OLS estimator. They (p.410) argue that $g$ reflects the advancement of knowledge which is not country-specific. And there is neither any strong reason to expect $\delta$ to vary greatly across countries, nor are there any reliable data that would allow us to estimate country-specific depreciation rates, and thus MRW assume the rate of technological progress, $g$, and the depreciation rate of capital, $\delta$, to be constant across countries (MRW, p.410). However, they allow the initial level of technology, $A_{0}$, to be different across countries:

$$
\ln \left(A_{0}\right)_{i}=c+\epsilon_{i}
$$

where $c$ is a constant, $\epsilon$ is a country-specific shock term, and the subscript $i$ denotes the country.

In the MRW, the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of the labour force are proxied by the average investment share in GDP and the average growth rate of the working-age population respectively while the investment rate in human capital is proxied by the secondary school enrolment rate of the population multiplied by the fraction of the working-age population that is of school age. Assuming that the investment rate in capital and the growth rate of labour are uncorrelated with the error term, $\epsilon$, they performed OLS to test the HCASM that has the form in (II. 72).

Empirical results in MRW support the HCASM: the coefficient on initial output per worker (i.e. the output per worker in 1960) is found to be significant and negative, implying evidence of conditional convergence. The conditional convergence implies that a country with a lower initial output per worker tends to grow faster than another country with higher initial output per workers once the other regressors including the saving rate, human capital and the growth of the labour force are held constant. ${ }^{7}$ The rate of the convergence ${ }^{8}, \lambda$, is found to

[^5]Therefore, the rate of convergence is computed as

$$
\lambda=-\frac{\ln (\eta+1)}{t}
$$

be about 1.4 percent a year. ${ }^{9}$ In addition, the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital, the investment rate in human capital and the growth of the labour force are significant with the expected signs, implying that the investment rates in the physical and human capital positively impact the growth of output per worker while the growth of the labour force negatively impacts the growth of output per worker. Also, the restriction that the sum of the coefficients on $\ln \left(s_{k}\right), \ln \left(s_{h}\right)$ and $\ln (n+g+\delta)$ is equal to zero is not rejected.

Islam (1995) shows that the assumption that the investment rate in capital and the growth of the labour force are independent of the country-specific shocks, $\epsilon$, in the cross-sectional regression using OLS in MRW may be too strong. This is because $\epsilon$ may reflect not only technology but also other factors such as resource endowment and institutions, and thus it may be potentially correlated with capital accumulation and the growth rate of the labour force. This potentially leads to bias in the estimates in the OLS estimation. Islam suggests using panel data by replacing MRW's single cross-section over the entire period with cross sections for shorter periods, and using a fixed effects (FE) estimator to control for country-specific intercepts ("fixed effects"). Using a sample including 79 countries over five-year intervals for the period 19601985, he tests the HCASM that has the form in (II.73) where the level of human capital is proxied by the average schooling years in the total population

[^6]over age 25 . Empirical results show the coefficients on the initial output per worker and population growth are significant and negative while that on the investment rate in physical capital is significant and positive. The rate of convergence to the steady state is found to be approximately 3.8 percent a year. However, the coefficient on the human capital is found to be significant but negative. Therefore, Islam concludes that the empirical results do not provide much support for the HCASM.

Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996) (hereafter CEL) show that the FE estimation may give biased estimates because the HCASM estimated is a dynamic model and $T$, the number of time periods, is small. In addition, the standard FE estimator cannot address the potential problem of endogeneity if one or more variables in the right-hand side of the growth models are endogenous. In order to address these problems, CEL suggest using Arellano and Bond (1991)'s first-differenced generalised method of moments (DGMM) estimator that uses the second and earlier lagged values of endogenous variables as instruments for the subsequent first-differences of the endogenous variables to test the HCASM. Using panel data at five-year intervals in a sample including 97 countries for 1960-1985, CEL estimate the HCASM that has the form in (II.72) where the investment rate in human capital is proxied by the secondary school enrolment rate (different from MRW). Empirical results in CEL show that the coefficient on initial output per worker is significant and negative, indicating the existence of conditional convergence. The convergence rate is found to be 6.8 percent a year. In addition, the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of the labour force are significant with the right signs as the HCASM predicts. However, the coefficient on the investment rate in human capital is found to be significant
and negative, implying that human capital negatively impacts the growth of output per worker. Therefore, CEL reject the HCASM.

However, Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) (hereafter BHT), based on the work by Blundell and Bond (1998), point out that the lagged levels of persistent variables are weakly correlated with their subsequent firstdifferences, and thus the instruments for the first-differences in the DGMM estimation of the HCASM in CEL are potentially weak. This may lead to bias for the estimates in CEL. Therefore, in order to deal with the problem of weak instruments in the DGMM estimator, BHT suggest using Blundell and Bond (1998)'s system generalised method of moments (SGMM) estimator that uses lagged first-differences of variables as instruments for equations in levels in addition to lagged levels of the endogenous variables as instruments for equations in first differences. Using the same sample as in Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996), BHT perform a one-step SGMM estimation for the HCASM. Empirical results in BHT show that the coefficients on initial output per worker, the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of the labour force are significant with the expected signs, implying that the investment rate in physical capital positively impacts the growth of output per worker while the initial output per worker and the growth of the labour force negatively impact the growth of output per worker. The implied rate of convergence is 1.7 percent a year. The coefficient on the investment rate in human capital is found to be insignificant.

Parallel to the above works, there are a number of empirical cross-country studies that extend the Solow growth model by introducing additional variables. Most of these works do not explicitly put forward a theoretical framework. Many of the models in these papers are constructed on an ad hoc basis. Typically these models embrace initial output per capita, investment rate
and additional variables that lie outside the Solow model such as human capital, and measures of policy outcomes in order to investigate different growth determinants or to explain the growth for a certain specific region; and the choice of variables to include varies greatly among works (Hoeffler, 1998; Temple, 1999; Durlauf, Johnson and Temple, 2005). For example, Barro (1991) uses a sample of 98 countries for 1960-1985 to investigate effects of initial GDP per capita, school enrolment, government expenditure, public investment, fertility, political instability and market distortions on the growth of GDP per capita. He includes dummies for sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America in growth models and finds that the coefficients on these two regional dummies are significant and negative in cross-sectional estimation results. Therefore, Barro (1991) concludes that the growth models in those papers do not fully explain the differences in growth between sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America and other regions and admits that some regularity may be missing from his regression model.

Another study by Levine and Renelt (1992) also extends normal growth models in earlier empirical growth studies, by introducing additional variables including government expenditure, economic policies, and political factors into the model, in many possible combinations. Dummies for countries in subSaharan Africa and Latin America are also added into their regression models. The sample used in Levine and Renelt (1992) includes 119 countries for 19601989 with two datasets: one from the World Bank and IMF and the other from Summers and Heston (1988). The cross-sectional regression results in the research by Levine and Renelt (1992) show that only a few explanatory variables are robustly correlated with growth. In particular, only initial GDP per capita and the investment rate are robust in their regressions.

Subsequent studies, for example those by Sachs and Warner (1997) and Easterly and Levine (1998), have focused on the slow growth of countries in the sub-Saharan African region. Sachs and Warner (1997) try to explain the abnormal growth performance of sub-Saharan African countries by introducing additional variables omitted in previous research into the neoclassical growth model. Using OLS to perform a cross-section regression for the growth model using a sample of 83 countries over the period 1965-1990, Sachs and Warner (1997) indicate that the lack of international trade openness, low life expectancy, and geographical factors, for example tropical climate and being landlocked, may cause the slow growth of sub-Saharan Africa countries.

Another study by Easterly and Levine (1998) uses a growth model including variables for initial GDP per capita, human capital, political instability, financial development, the black market exchange rate premium and the government surplus to GDP ratio to explain the slow growth in sub-Saharan African countries. Using a cross-sectional regression on the model for a sample of countries over the period from 1960 to 1990, Easterly and Levine (1998) find that the coefficient on the sub-Saharan African dummy is significant and negative. However, this dummy is found to be insignificant once the neighbours' growth rate is introduced into the regression model. Therefore, they argue that countries in a region that all have poor policies would each have poor growth performance not only due to their own poor policies, but also due to poor policies of their neighbours.

However, Hoeffler (2002) shows that once unobserved country-specific effects and endogeneity are controlled for, the sub-Saharan African dummy is insignificant even in the HCASM. She argues that the significance of the subSaharan African dummy is due to problems related to estimation methods, because earlier studies investigating the poor growth performance of countries
in sub-Saharan Africa have not taken account of unobserved country-specific effects. In addition, the earlier studies have not controlled for the potential problem of endogeneity. Using a sample comprising 85 countries for the period 1960-1990, Hoeffler (2002) performs a one-step SGMM estimator that is suggested by BHT to control for unobserved country-specific effects and endogeneity in the HCASM. ${ }^{10}$ Then, she regresses the residuals which are obtained from the one-step SGMM estimation on the dummy for sub-Saharan African countries. The estimation results show that the coefficient on subSaharan African dummy is insignificant. Therefore, Hoeffler concludes that the HCASM can account for the slower growth of sub-Saharan African countries.

In sum, this chapter provides a theoretical basis for the (human-capital augmented) Solow model. The major empirical studies on the human-capital augmented Solow model are also reviewed in the latter sections of this chapter. In the next chapter, we will discuss the methodology used to test the humancapital augmented Solow model in this study.

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## CHAPTER II.3:

## METHODOLOGY

This chapter consists of the following three sections. The first one discusses the estimation methods used to test the human-capital augmented Solow model (HCASM), and then the second one presents the method used to check whether the HCASM can explain the abnormal growth in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia. The third section describes the samples and data sources used in this study.

## II.3.1. Estimating the HCASM

In the early 1990s, empirical works on economic growth, typically similar to that by MRW, use a single cross-section estimation to analyse the HCASM. Such works often use average data for 25 or 30 years. In their single crosssection analysis, the regression model has the following form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta y_{i}=c+\eta y_{i, 0}+\theta^{\prime} X_{i}+\epsilon_{i} \quad \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \tag{II.74}
\end{equation*}
$$

where subscript $i$ denotes a country index, $c$ is the constant and $\epsilon_{i}$ is the error term; $\Delta y_{i}$ is the difference in the natural logarithm of GDP per worker over the entire period observed, e.g. in MRW, $\Delta y_{i}$ is the difference in the natural logarithm of GDP per worker over the period 1960-1985, $\Delta y_{i}=y_{i, 1985}-$ $y_{i, 1960} ; y_{i, 0}$ is the natural logarithm of GDP per worker at the start of the period observed, e.g. in MRW, $y_{i, 0}$ is the natural logarithm of GDP per worker in 1960; and $X_{i}$ is a vector of variables including the investment rate in physical capital, investment in human capital, the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation).

However, the single cross-section estimation will be not used in this study for the following reasons. Firstly, the use of a single cross-section means not all
available information is used (Hoeffler, 2002). It is clear that panel data can utilise more information than a single cross-section of data (Baltagi, 2008). In addition, in the empirical literature on the (human-capital augmented) Solow model, the rate of technological progress is typically assumed to be constant within a period; this assumption may be more realistic over shorter periods of time, e.g. five-year periods, in panel data analysis than over the entire period in a single cross-section analysis (Islam, 1995). Further, a single cross-section estimator cannot control for country-specific time-invariant effects and also makes it harder to address the potential endogeneity of regressors (CEL; Temple, 1999; BHT). These problems can be addressed in the dynamic panel data analysis which is discussed below.

Consider the HCASM from equation (II.73)

$$
\begin{align*}
\ln \left(\frac{Y_{t}}{L_{t}}\right)-\ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)= & -\rho \ln \left(\frac{Y_{0}}{L_{0}}\right)+\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln \left(s_{k}\right)+\rho \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \ln (h) \\
& -\rho \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \ln (n+g+\delta)+\rho \ln A_{0}+g t \tag{II.73}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\rho=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)$.
In order to test the HCASM, an alternative approach is to use panel data by splitting the single cross-section over the entire period into five-year intervals (Islam, 1995; CEL; BHT). The regression model in the panel estimation has the following generic form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta y_{i t}=\eta y_{i, t-1}+\theta^{\prime} X_{i t}+\mu_{i}+\omega_{t}+v_{i t} \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \text { and } t=2, \ldots, T \tag{II.75}
\end{equation*}
$$

where subscript $i$ denotes a country index and subscript $t$ denotes an interval index; $\Delta y_{i t}=y_{i t}-y_{i, t-1}$ is the difference in the natural logarithm of GDP per worker over a five-year interval, $y_{i, t-1}$ and $y_{i t}$ are the natural logarithm of

GDP per worker at the start and at the end of that interval respectively; $\mu_{i}$ denotes unobserved country-specific effects that partly reflect the difference in the initial level of technology; $\omega_{t}$ denotes the time effects capturing the impacts of technological progress and shocks that are common to all countries (Islam, 1995); $X_{i t}$ is a vector of variables including the investment rate in physical capital, human capital, the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation); $\eta$ and $\theta$ are the coefficients on $y_{i, t-1}$ and $X_{i t}$ respectively, and $v_{i t}$ are the transient errors.

Equation (II. 75) can be equivalently re-written as the following dynamic panel data model

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{i t}=\kappa y_{i, t-1}+\theta^{\prime} X_{i t}+\mu_{i}+\omega_{t}+v_{i t} \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \text { and } t=2, \ldots, T \tag{II.76}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\kappa=\eta+1$.
The model (II.76) is used as a regression model to test the HCASM in this study. ${ }^{11}$ It can be seen that in the Pooled OLS (POLS) estimator that uses a conventional least squares regression, pooling of all (five-year) observations

[^8]Therefore, the rate of convergence is calculated as

$$
\lambda=-\frac{\ln (\kappa)}{t}
$$

We use five-year-interval data, thus $t=5$. This yields

$$
\lambda=-\frac{\ln (\kappa)}{5}
$$

Note that if $\kappa$ is found to be significant and larger than one, then conditional convergence (as the HCASM predicts) is absent.
without considering country-specific effects $\left(\mu_{i}\right)$ could lead to biased estimates. This is because $y_{i t}$ is a function of $\mu_{i}$, thus $y_{i, t-1}$ is also a function of $\mu_{i}$, and the omission of $\mu_{i}$ leads the error term to become $\left(\mu_{i}+v_{i t}\right)$ and hence to be positively correlated with (at least) $y_{i, t-1}$. Therefore, the POLS estimate of the coefficient on the lagged dependent variable, $\hat{\kappa}$, is biased upwards (for example, Hsiao, 1986).

The fixed effects estimation method can control for country-specific effects, $\mu_{i}$, by using a Within Groups (WG) estimator that transforms the equation (II.76) in order to eliminate $\mu_{i}$. In the WG estimator, the average values of terms in the equation over time for each country $i$ are obtained, and the original observations are expressed as deviations from these averages; then OLS is used to estimate the transformed equation (for example, Bond, 2002; Baltagi, 2008). Because $\mu_{i}$ are invariant over time, these country-specific effects are eliminated from the transformed equation. However, this transformation process leads to a correlation between the transformed lagged dependent variable and the transformed error term. Particularly, in the WG estimator, the transformed lagged dependent variable is $y_{i, t-1}^{*}=y_{i, t-1}-$ $\frac{1}{T-1}\left(y_{i 1}+\cdots+y_{i t}+\cdots+y_{i, T-1}\right)$ whereas the transformed error term is $v_{i t}^{*}=v_{i t}-\frac{1}{T-1}\left(v_{i 2}+\cdots+v_{i, t-1}+\cdots+y_{i T}\right)$. The problem is that $y_{i, t-1}$ in $y_{i, t-1}^{*}$ correlates with $-\frac{1}{T-1} v_{i, t-1}$ in $v_{i t}^{*}$ while $-\frac{1}{T-1} y_{i t}$ in $y_{i, t-1}^{*}$ also correlates with $v_{i t}$ in $v_{i t}^{*}$. This leads to a bias downwards in the WG estimate of the coefficient on the lagged dependent variable, $\hat{\kappa}$ (Nickell, 1981; Bond, 2002; Baltagi, 2008). This bias is firstly found by Nickell (1981) who shows that the WG estimator is biased of $\mathrm{O}(1 / \mathrm{T})$. The Nickell (1981) bias does not vanish as the number of countries, $N$, in the sample increases, but it will tend to diminish as $T$ increases. The estimates in growth regressions using WG estimation are
likely to be biased substantially because the samples employed often have large $N$ but only small $T$, as in this study.

Kiviet (1995, 1999), Judson and Owen (1999) and Bun and Kiviet (2003) suggest using a bias-corrected least square dummy variable (LSDVC) estimator to correct for the Nickell (1981) bias in the WG (or least squares dummy variable, LSDV) estimator for balanced panel data samples with large $N$ and small $T .^{12}$ Later, Bruno (2005) extended the LSDVC estimator to unbalanced panels. The approximation to the bias that is used to make the correction requires a consistent estimator, which is often a first-differenced generalised method of moments estimator or a system generalised method of moments estimator, to start from. Since the first-differenced generalised method of moments estimator may suffer a bias due to weak instruments (Blundell and Bond, 1998; Bruno, 2005; see also the discussion on firstdifferenced and system generalised method of moments estimators below), the system generalised method of moments estimator is used to initialize the bias correction in LSDVC estimation in this study. The standard errors are bootstrapped based on 1000 replications (for example, Kiviet, 1995 and Judson and Owen, 1999). However, the LSDVC estimator, as well as the POLS and WG estimators, is based on an assumption that the explanatory variables (other than the lagged dependent variable) are strictly exogenous. Therefore, they cannot address the potential endogeneity of the explanatory variables. The problem can be addressed by using Arellano and Bond (1991)'s firstdifferenced generalised method of moments (DGMM) estimator as follows.

[^9]Consider the model (II.76) with $X_{i t}$ including $(k-1)$ explanatory variables

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{i t}=\kappa y_{i, t-1}+\theta^{\prime} X_{i t}+\mu_{i}+\omega_{t}+v_{i t}=\delta^{\prime} W_{i t}+\mu_{i}+\omega_{t}+v_{i t} \tag{II.77}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $W_{i t}=\left(y_{i, t-1} X_{i t}\right)^{\prime}$ is $k \times 1$.

The DGMM approach firstly differences the model (II.77) to remove the country-specific effects $\left(\mu_{i}\right)$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta y_{i t}=\kappa \Delta y_{i, t-1}+\delta^{\prime} \Delta W_{i t}+\Delta \omega_{t}+\Delta v_{i t} \tag{II.78}
\end{equation*}
$$

Assuming the error term to have finite moments and to be serially uncorrelated

$$
\begin{equation*}
E\left(v_{i t}\right)=E\left(v_{i t} v_{i s}\right)=0 \text { for } t \neq s \tag{II.79}
\end{equation*}
$$

and that the initial conditions satisfy

$$
\begin{equation*}
E\left(y_{i 1} v_{i t}\right)=0 \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \text { and } t=2, \ldots, T \tag{II.80}
\end{equation*}
$$

Under these assumptions, second and earlier lagged values of $y_{i t}$ are valid instruments for $\Delta y_{i, t-1}$ because the second and earlier lagged values of $y_{i t}$ are correlated with $\Delta y_{i, t-1}$ but are not correlated with $\Delta v_{i t}$. Therefore, the DGMM estimator uses the second and earlier lags of $y_{i t}$ as instruments for the equations in first-differences. With respect to $X_{i t}$, depending on $X_{i t}$ being treated as exogenous, predetermined or endogenous, the DGMM approach uses suitable lagged values of $X_{i t}$ as valid instruments for equations in first differences (Arellano and Bond, 1991; BHT; Hoeffler, 2002; Baltagi, 2008).

If $X_{i t}$ are predetermined: $E\left[X_{i t} v_{i s}\right] \neq 0$ for $s<t$ and $E\left[X_{i t} v_{i s}\right]=0$ for $s \geq t$, and then the first and earlier lagged values of $X_{i t}$ are valid instruments for equations in first differences. Namely, for $t=3,4, \ldots, T$, the model implies the following $(T-2)[(k-1)(T+1)+(T-1)] / 2$ moment restrictions

$$
\begin{equation*}
E\left[X_{i, t-s} \Delta v_{i t}\right]=0 \text { for } s=1, \ldots,(t-1) \text { and } t=3, \ldots, T \tag{II.81}
\end{equation*}
$$

The moment restrictions in (II.81) can be written in vector form as follows

$$
E\left[Z_{i}^{\prime} \Delta v_{i}\right]=0 \text { for } i=1,2, \ldots, N
$$

where $\Delta v_{i}=\left(\Delta v_{i 3}, \Delta v_{i 4}, \ldots, \Delta v_{i T}\right)^{\prime}, Z_{i}$ is a $(T-2) \times(T-2)[(k-1)(T+$ $1)+(T-1)] / 2$ block diagonal matrix whose sth block is given by $\left(y_{i 1} \ldots y_{i s} X_{i 1}^{\prime} \ldots X_{i s}^{\prime} X_{i, s+1}^{\prime}\right)$ for $s=1, \ldots, T-2$.

If $X_{i t}$ are strictly exogenous: $E\left[X_{i t} v_{i s}\right]=0$ for all $s$ and all $t$, then values of $X_{i t}$ are themselves valid instruments for equations in first differences. The model implies

$$
E\left[Z_{i}^{\prime} \Delta v_{i}\right]=0 \text { for } i=1,2, \ldots, N
$$

where $Z_{i}$ is a $(T-2) \times(T-2)[(k-1)(T+1)+(T-1)] / 2$ block diagonal matrix whose sth block is given by $\left(y_{i 1} \ldots y_{i s} X_{i 1}^{\prime} \ldots X_{i s}^{\prime} X_{i, s+1}^{\prime} X_{i, s+2}^{\prime}\right)$ for $s=1, \ldots, T-2$.

If $X_{i t}$ are endogenous: $E\left[X_{i t} v_{i s}\right] \neq 0$ for $s \leq t$ and $E\left[X_{i t} v_{i s}\right]=0$ for $s>t$, then the second and earlier lagged values of $X_{i t}$ are employed as valid instruments for equations in first differences. The model implies

$$
E\left[Z_{i}^{\prime} \Delta v_{i}\right]=0 \text { for } i=1,2, \ldots, N
$$

where $Z_{i}$ is a $(T-2) \times(T-2)[(k-1)(T+1)+(T-1)] / 2$ block diagonal matrix whose $s t h$ block is given by $\left(y_{i 1} \ldots y_{i s} X_{i 1}^{\prime} \ldots X_{i s}^{\prime}\right)$ for $s=1, \ldots, T-2$.

Note that $X_{i t}$ may include predetermined, exogenous and endogenous variables. In all cases, the first-differenced GMM estimator of the $k \times$ 1 coefficient vector $\delta$ has the following form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{\delta}=\left(\Delta W^{\prime} Z A_{N} Z^{\prime} \Delta W\right)^{-1} \Delta W^{\prime} Z A_{N} Z^{\prime} \Delta y \tag{II.82}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Delta W$ is a stacked $(T-2) N \times k$ matrix observations on $\Delta W_{i t}, Z=$ $\left(Z_{1}^{\prime}, \ldots, Z_{N}^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}$ and $\Delta y=\left(\Delta y_{i 2}, \Delta y_{i 3}, \ldots, \Delta y_{i, T-1}\right)^{\prime}$.

The choice of the weight matrix $A_{N}$ in (II.82) yields one-step or two-step estimators as follows.

The two-step estimator $\hat{\delta}_{2}$ is achieved by using the optimal weight matrix

$$
A_{2 N}=\left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(Z_{i}^{\prime} \widehat{\Delta v_{l}}{\widehat{\Delta v_{l}}}_{l}^{\prime} Z_{i}\right)\right]^{-1}
$$

where $\widehat{\Delta v}_{l}$ are consistent estimates of residuals achieved from an initial consistent estimator.

Assuming that $v_{i t}$ are independent and identically distributed, an asymptotically equivalent GMM estimator $\hat{\delta}_{1}$ can be achieved in one step using the following weight matrix

$$
A_{1 N}=\left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(Z_{i}^{\prime} H Z_{i}\right)\right]^{-1}
$$

where H is a $(T-2) \times(T-2)$ matrix

$$
H=\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr}
2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
-1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 2 & \cdots & 0 \\
\cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

When $v_{i t}$ is independently and identically distributed, one-step and two-step estimators are asymptotically equivalent (Blundell and Bond, 1998; Baltagi, 2008).

However, Blundell and Bond (1998) point out that, for finite samples, the lagged levels of highly persistent variables are only weakly correlated with their subsequent first-differences. Therefore, the instruments available for the equations in first differences are weak. This may lead to imprecision and finite sample bias in the estimates of the standard first-differenced GMM estimator. They suggest using a system GMM (SGMM) estimator to deal with the issue of weak instruments.

The SGMM estimator imposes the additional assumption

$$
\begin{equation*}
E\left[\mu_{i} \Delta y_{i 2}\right]=0 \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \tag{II.83}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
E\left[\mu_{i} \Delta X_{i t}\right]=0 \text { for } i=1, \ldots, N \text { and } t=2, \ldots, T \tag{II.84}
\end{equation*}
$$

and then the lagged first-differences of $y_{i t}$ and $X_{i t}$ can be used as valid instruments for the equations in levels (Arellano and Bover, 1995; Blundell and Bond, 1998). The system GMM estimator uses suitable lagged levels of the variables as instruments for the equations in first differences, as in Arellano and Bond, but also adds suitable lagged first-differences of variables as instruments for the equations in levels.

Notice that the assumption that the disturbance $v_{i t}$ is not serially correlated can be checked by performing an Arellano-Bond test to test for no second-order serial correlation in the first-differenced residuals. In addition, the validity of instruments used in the first-differenced equations can be checked by using a Hansen test of the overidentifying restrictions while the validity of additional instruments used in levels equations can be tested using a Difference Hansen test (Arellano and Bond, 1991; Blundell and Bond, 1998; Roodman, 2006).

Based on Monte Carlo simulations and asymptotic variance calculations, Blundell and Bond (1998) provided empirical evidence that system GMM can
produce dramatic efficiency gains in situations where first-differenced GMM performs poorly. In addition, it is noteworthy that the one-step and two-step first-differenced GMM estimators are equivalent to each other when the error terms are independently and identically distributed across countries and over time. Otherwise the two-step GMM is more efficient than the one-step one and this is always true for system GMM (Arellano and Bond, 1991; Blundell and Bond, 1998; BHT). However, the asymptotic standard errors in the two-step GMM estimators can be downward biased in finite samples (Blundell and Bond, 1998), and thus BHT and Hoeffler (2002) use one-step system GMM to estimate the HCASM. Windmeijer (2005) finds that the downward bias of the asymptotic standard errors in the efficient two-step GMM estimator is due to the estimation of the weight matrix and thus he suggests a correction term which relies on a Taylor series expansion that accounts for the estimation of the weight matrix (Baltagi, 2008). This procedure is advisable because the twostep GMM estimator is more efficient in comparison with the one-step one (Windmeijer, 2005; Roodman, 2006). Therefore, the two-step system GMM with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors (hereafter robust two-step SGMM) is used as a preferred estimation method in this study.

Furthermore, earlier empirical works on the HCASM using the system GMM estimator such as those by BHT and Hoeffler (2002) do not restrict the instrument set. A recent study by Roodman (2009) shows that the use of too many instruments (for endogenous/predetermined variables) in finite samples can overfit endogenous/predetermined variables, bias estimates of the optimal weighting matrix and weaken Hansen and Difference Hansen tests. Therefore, we should test for robustness to reductions in the instrument count (for endogenous/predetermined variables). Roodman suggests using two approaches to reduce the number of instruments. The first approach is to
'collapse' the standard instrument matrix by squeezing the matrix horizontally and adding together formerly distinct columns to decrease the number of instruments (Roodman, 2009, p.148). The second approach is to use only certain lags instead of all available lags for instruments. The robust two-step GMM estimation of the HCASM in this study will use these approaches to restrict the instrument count and check robustness.

In the GMM estimators, this study treats initial output per worker and the level of human capital that are measured at the beginning of each five-year period as predetermined variables. The investment rate in physical capital and the population growth rate are treated as endogenous variables because they could be determined by growth and vice versa. For example, it is likely to be a fairly robust stylized fact that growth increases the saving rate (Carroll and Weil, 1994). With imperfect capital mobility, this leads to a relationship between growth and investment even in the absence of any independent causal role for investment (Temple, 1999, p.129). Also, CEL (p.6) assert that there is by now both theoretical and empirical support for the view that economic growth impacts the population growth rate of an economy. In addition, a problem of endogeneity may arise if some omitted variable jointly affects both growth and the explanatory variables (Temple, 1999; Durlauf, Johnson and Temple, 2005).

## II.3.2. Testing the significance of sub-Saharan African and East Asian dummies

In order to check whether the HCASM explains the abnormal growth of the output per worker in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia, this study, in turn, adds dummy variables for sub-Saharan African (SSA) and East Asian (EA) countries into the HCASM and then uses the robust two-step SGMM to estimate the model; the coefficient on the regional dummy can be identified by its inclusion as a strictly exogenous variable in the levels equations of SGMM
estimation. In the regression, SSA and EA dummies will take the value equal to one if the country is located in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia respectively; otherwise the dummies will take the value zero. If the coefficients on the SSA or EA dummies are found to be significant, we can say that the HCASM cannot fully explain the differential in growth in output per worker of the sub-Saharan African or East Asian regions respectively.

Alternatively, we can use a two-step procedure as suggested in Hoeffler (2002) to check whether the HCASM explains the abnormal growth performance of countries in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia. The procedure includes two steps: the first step estimates the HCASM to compute the residuals, and then the second step will regress the estimated residuals on an SSA or EA dummy. If the coefficient on the SSA or EA dummy in the second step is significant, we can conclude that the HCASM does not fully explain the variation in the growth in sub-Saharan Africa or East Asian regions respectively, compared to other regions. However, different from Hoeffler (2002), this study uses efficient two-step SGMM with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors, instead of the one-step SGMM, to estimate the HCASM in the first step of the procedure.

## II.3.3. Sample and data

The data used in this study are collected from the newest Penn World Table version 8.0 recently published by Feenstra, Inklaar and Timmer (2013) (hereafter PWT80) and the newest Educational Attainment Dataset version 1.3 recently published by Barro and Lee (2013) (hereafter BL13). The PWT80 data set consists of 167 countries for 1950-2011 and the BL13 data set consists of 146 countries for 1950-2010. There are 33 countries which are present in the PWT80 but absent in the BL13, whereas there are also 12 countries which are present in the BL13 but absent in the BL13. Hence, when merging the PWT80
data set and the BL13 data set, there are 134 countries where data are available in both data sets. This leads to a sample which comprises 134 countries for 1950-2010 (hereafter Sample1). In order to avoid the potential sampleselection bias induced by data availability, this large Sample 1 is used in this study. In addition, this study sometimes excludes countries for which oil is the dominant industry, making the second sample which comprises 127 countries in the period 1950-2005 (hereafter Sample 2). These oil-producing countries are Bahrain, Gabon, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and Saudi Arabia. Sample 2 is also used in this study. Several empirical papers using OLS estimators often exclude small countries from the sample because the output of the countries may be affected by idiosyncratic factors (MRW, p. 413). However, this study controls for idiosyncratic factors as country-specific effects in the estimation, and thus we do not exclude small countries from our samples. It is noted that data are not available for all countries over the whole period 1950-2005, and thus Sample 1 and 2 used in this study will give rise to unbalanced panels, as in some earlier papers.

In empirical studies, the dependent variable, $y_{i t}$, in the regression humancapital augmented Solow model (II.76) is often measured by the natural logarithm of GDP per capita or the natural logarithm of GDP per worker. For example, MRW use GDP per worker while Islam (1995) uses GDP per capita. However, Durlauf, Jonson and Temple (2005) argue that the (human-capital augmented) Solow model is derived from a production function, and thus it is likely to be appropriate to use GDP per worker rather than GDP per capita because workers are the main force contributing to production. Therefore, this study uses the natural logarithm of GDP per worker. The size of the labour force is proxied by the number of persons engaged (in millions) which is
collected from the PWT80. Data on GDP (in millions constant 2005 US\$) are also collected from the PWT80.

In this study, the average growth rate of the labour force, $n$, over each quinquennial period is constructed by dividing the natural log difference in workforce between the beginning and the end of each five-year interval by five. This study follows MRW, Islam (1995) and CEL to choose 0.05 as an assessment of the sum of a common exogenous rate of technological change, $g$, and a common depreciate rate, $\delta$. However, this study also tried the alternative measure 0.08 . There was no considerable difference in the results.

In this study, the proportion of output invested in physical capital, $s_{k}$, is proxied by the share of gross capital formation in GDP, averaged over each five-year interval. Data on the gross capital formation share of GDP are collected from the PWT80.

MRW and Islam (1995) show that there are two ways to consider the role of human capital in the growth process, namely by using the rate of investment in human capital or the level of human capital. In the empirical literature, the investment rate in human capital and the level of human capital are often used to investigate the effect of human capital on growth [e.g. MRW and CEL employed the investment rate in human capital whereas Islam (1995) and Hoeffler (2002) employed the level of human capital]. Following Islam (1995) and Hoeffler (2002), this paper uses the level of human capital, $h$, that is proxied by the average years of total schooling for the population over age 15 at the beginning of each five-year interval. These data are collected from BL13.

In summary, this chapter has discussed the estimator and the data that will be used to test the HCASM. The method used to check whether the HCASM can
account for the unusual growth performance for sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia is also presented in the second section. Finally, the samples and data sources used in this study are described in the third section of this chapter. The next chapter will present the empirical results of this study.

## CHAPTER II.4:

## EMPIRICAL RESULTS

This chapter consists of two sections. The first section presents empirical results of the estimation of the HCASM. The second section reports empirical results of the investigation into whether the HCASM can account for the growth differential of sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries.

## II.4.1. Estimating the human-capital augmented Solow model (HCASM)

This section uses the regression model as described in (II.76) in chapter II. 3 to test the HCASM. The dependent variable is the natural logarithm of real GDP per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i t}$. It is regressed on the natural logarithm of initial real GDP per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, the natural logarithm of the investment rate, $\ln s_{i t}$, the natural logarithm of the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\right.$ $\delta$ ), and the average years of total schooling measured at the beginning of each five-year period, $\ln h_{i t}$. The econometric package used is STATA. All the regressions include period dummies.

Sample 1 is firstly used to test the HCASM. Table II.4.1 reports the results of regressions using Pooled OLS (POLS), Within Groups (WG), two-step firstdifferenced GMM estimation with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors (hereafter DGMM2R) and an efficient two-step system GMM estimation with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors (hereafter SGMM2R).

The DGMM2R in Table II.4.1 uses a standard instrument set suggested for conventional DGMM by Arellano and Bond (1991) (hereafter DGMM2R_SIS). In particular, it uses $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \ln s_{i, t-2}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\right.$
$\delta)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and all earlier lags as instruments for first differenced equations.

Table II.4.1: Estimation of the HCASM - Sample 1

|  | $(1)$ | $(2)$ | $(3)$ | $(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | POLS | WG | DGMM2R_SIS | SGMM2R_SIS |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.961^{* * *}$ | $0.770^{* * *}$ | $0.732^{* * *}$ | $0.943^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.008)$ | $(0.035)$ | $(0.059)$ | $(0.013)$ |
| $\ln s_{i t}$ | $0.073^{* * *}$ | $0.088^{* * *}$ | $0.069^{* *}$ | $0.106^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.016)$ | $(0.025)$ | $(0.029)$ | $(0.025)$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | $-0.105^{* * *}$ | $-0.109^{* * *}$ | $-0.097^{* * *}$ | $-0.149^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.024)$ | $(0.030)$ | $(0.036)$ | $(0.041)$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | $0.043^{* * *}$ | $-0.093^{* * *}$ | $-0.123^{* *}$ | $0.058^{* *}$ |
|  | $(0.017)$ | $(0.036)$ | $(0.059)$ | $(0.024)$ |
| Implied $\lambda$ | 0.008 | 0.052 | 0.062 | 0.012 |
|  | $(0.002)$ | $(0.009)$ | $(0.016)$ | $(0.003)$ |
| F-test (p-value) | 0.30 | 0.61 | 0.54 | 0.79 |
| m2 (p-value) | - | - | 0.37 | 0.44 |
| Hansen (p-value) | - | - | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | - | - | - | 1.00 |
| No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}$ | - | - | 242 | 285 |
| No. of observations | 1170 | 1170 | 1032 | 1170 |
| No. of countries | 134 | 134 | 134 | 134 |
| Average no. of periods | 8.7 | 8.7 | 7.7 | 8.7 |

Note: *** denotes significance at the one percent level. ** denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. $\lambda$ denotes convergence rate. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. POLS and FE use robust standard errors. DGMM2R_SIS and SGMM2R_SIS use Windmeijer-corrected standard errors. F-test is used to test the restriction that the coefficients on the physical investment rate and the growth of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude and opposite signs. $m_{2}$ is Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.5.

The SGMM2R in Table II.4.1 uses a standard instrument set suggested for conventional SGMM by Blundell and Bond (1998) (hereafter SGMM2R_SIS). Namely, it uses $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \ln s_{i, t-2}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and all earlier lags as instruments for first differenced equations, combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations.

Firstly, in the POLS regression, which uses a conventional least squares regression based on pooling all observations without considering countryspecific effects, the coefficient on the variable for initial output per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, is found to be significant at the one percent level with a value less than one. This implies an existence of conditional convergence as being predicted in the HCASM. The estimated rate of convergence, which is derived from the coefficient on initial output per worker, is approximately 0.8 percent per year ( $\lambda=0.8 \%$ ). The OLS regression in the first column of Table II.4.1 also shows that the coefficients on the variables for the investment rate in physical capital, $\ln s_{i t}$, and the level of human capital, $\ln h_{i t}$, are found to be significant and positive while that on the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$, is found to be significant and negative. These results support the HCASM in that the investment rate and the level of human capital impact output per worker positively while labour force growth impacts output per worker negatively. Further, the result of an F-test does not reject the restriction in the HCASM that the coefficients on the two variables for the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign.

In the WG regression in the second column of Table II.4.1, when countryspecific effects are controlled for, the coefficient on the variable for initial output per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, is also found to be less than one and significant, indicating an existence of conditional convergence as expected in the HCASM. However, the magnitude of the coefficient is found to be smaller than that in the POLS results, and thus the convergence rate found from the WG regression is higher than that estimated from the POLS. It is around 5.2 percent a year $(\lambda=5.2 \%)$. Variables for the investment rate in physical capital, $\ln s_{i t}$, and the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$, are found to have significant positive and negative effects, respectively, as predicted in the HCASM. In addition, the restriction in the HCASM that the coefficients of these two variables have the same magnitude and opposite signs is not rejected by the F-test. However, the coefficient on the variable for human capital, $\ln h_{i t}$, is found to be significant with the wrong sign. The result is similar to that in the research by Islam (1995) and CEL where they also uses fixed-effects estimations and finds a negative and significant coefficient on human capital. Note that the WG estimator is known to be likely to be biased in the presence of the lagged dependent variable (Nickell, 1981), especially in a sample with large $N$ and small $T$ as in this research. In addition, it does not address the potential endogeneity of the regressors. Therefore, these limitations may cause the significance of the human capital with the wrong sign.

Furthermore, as discussed in chapter II.3, the estimate of the coefficient on the lagged dependent variable, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, in the POLS is likely to be biased upwards while that in the WG is likely to be biased downwards. Therefore, the two estimates here may be useful since they provide the approximate upper and lower bounds for other estimations to some extent, as in BHT. One might
hope that a consistent estimate (of the coefficient on the lagged dependent variable) should lie between the OLS and WG estimates or should not be significantly higher than the former or significantly lower than the latter (Bond, 2002). Note that the bounds are only approximate because of the sample variability and presence of explanatory variables other than the lagged dependent variable, such as the investment rate, the growth rate of the labour force and the level of human capital. In addition, the explanatory variables are instrumented in the GMM estimations, but not in the POLS and WG estimations.

With respect to the DGMM2R and SGMM2R estimations using a standard instrument sets in column three of Table II.4.1, it can be seen that the number of instruments (for endogenous and predetermined variables) in these GMM estimations is large. The DGMM2R_SIS regression uses 242 instruments while the SGMM2R_SIS regression uses 285 instruments. These numbers of instruments used are much larger than the number of countries in the sample ( $N=134$ ). Roodman (2009) shows that the use of too many instruments (for endogenous/predetermined variables) may overfit endogenous/predetermined variables, bias estimates of the optimal weighting matrix and weaken Hansen and Difference Hansen tests. Clearly, the Hansen and Hansen tests the DGMM2R_SIS and SGMM2R_SIS regression give implausibly perfect pvalues. Therefore, these tests are likely to be weakened and thus we do not know whether the instrument sets used in the DGMM2R_SIS and SGMM2R_SIS regressions from Table II.4.1 are potentially valid or not. Therefore, this study experiments to reduce the number of instrument by 'collapsing' the standard instrument set or using one or several lags instead of all available lags to choose valid instrument sets for DGMM2R and SGMM2R estimation.

Table II.4.2: Experiment instrument sets in the DGMM2R estimation - Sample 1

| Instrument set |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. 'Collapse' the standard instrument set (used in the DGMM2R regression in Table II.4.1) | Hansen (p-value): 0.02 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 42 |
| 2. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \ln s_{i, t-2}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.03 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}: 42$ |
| 3. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-3}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.08 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 80 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4. Use } \quad \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2} \\ & \ldots \end{aligned} \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \quad \ln s_{i, t-2} \quad \ldots \quad \ln s_{i, t-4}, ~\left(\begin{array}{llll}  \\ \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right) \ldots & \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right) \text {, and } & \ln h_{i, t-1} & \ldots \\ \ln h_{i, t-3} \text { as instruments. } \end{array}\right.$ | Hansen (p-value): 0.31 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{\left({ }^{\text {a }}\right.}: 114$ |
| 5. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-3}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.02 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}$ : 38 |
| 6. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-2} \ldots$ $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.02 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}: 72$ |
| 7. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-4}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ and as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}: 34$ |
| 8. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-5}, \ln s_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-5}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-5}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-3} \ldots$ $\ln h_{i, t-4}$ as instruments. | Hansen (p-value): 0.07 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}: 64$ |

(a) The number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables.

Instrument sets are experimented with to reduce the instrument count in the DGMM2R estimates, with results that are presented in Table II.4.2. The left column of this table describes the instrument set used in each DGMM2R regression while the right column reports the corresponding result of a Hansen test and the number of instruments. The Hansen test is used to check the validity of instruments.

Roodman (2006, p.44) notes that 'do not take comfort in a Hansen test $p$ value somewhat above $0.1^{\prime}$. Among the instrument sets experimented with in Table II.4.2, only instrument set 4 is not rejected by a Hansen test ( $p$-value $=0.31$ ). Other instrument sets in Table II.4.2 are rejected by the results of Hansen tests. The instrument count in the DGMM2R regression using instrument set 4 [i.e. using $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2} \ldots \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-2} \ldots \ln s_{i, t-4}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right) \ldots$ $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1} \ldots \ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments] is 114 which is much smaller than in the DGMM2R using a standard instrument set as in Table II.4.1 (242). It is also smaller than the number of countries in Sample 1 ( $N=134$ ). The results of the DGMM2R regression using instrument set 4 are reported in column one of Table II.4.4.

With respect to the SGMM2 estimation, results of experiments to reduce the instrument count are presented in Table II.4.3. The left column of this table describes the instrument set used in each SGMM2R regression while the right column presents the corresponding result of Hansen and Difference Hansen tests and the number of instruments.

Table II.4.3:
Experiment instrument sets in the robust SGMM2R estimation - Sample 1

| Instrument set |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. 'Collapse' the standard instrument set (used in the SGMM2R regression in Table II.4.1) | Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.04 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{p})}: 47$ |
| 2. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \ln s_{i, t-2}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.03 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.14 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 85 |
| 3. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-3}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\right.$ $\delta)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.27 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.84 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}$ : 123 |
| 4. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2} \quad \ldots \quad \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-2} \quad \ldots \quad \ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right) \ldots \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1} \ldots$ $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\right.$ $\delta)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.95 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 1.00 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 157$ |
| 5. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-3}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.14 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.84 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 77 |
| 6. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\right.$ $\delta)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.27 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.48 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 111$ |
| 7. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-4}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-2}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.12 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 69 |
| 8. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-5}, \ln s_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-5}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-5}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-3} \cdots$ $\ln h_{i, t-4}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\right.$ $\delta)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.13 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.24 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 99 |

(a) The number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables.

Among instrument sets experimented with as summarised in Table II.4.3, only instruments sets 3, 5 and 6 are not rejected by Hansen and Difference Hansen test at the conventional levels. However, the p-value in the Hansen test for instrument set 5 is just 0.14 , and thus the validity of this instrument set seems not to be safely confirmed. As for instrument sets 3 and 6, Hansen and Difference Hansen tests imply that the instruments included in these sets are potentially valid (there is no evidence to reject their validity). The instrument count in the SGMM2 regression using instrument set 3 is 123 while that in the SGMM2R using set 6 is 111 . These instrument counts are much smaller than in the SGMM2R regression using a standard instrument set in column four of Table II.4.1 (285), and they are also smaller than the number of countries of the sample ( $N=134$ ). Results of the SGMM2 estimations using instrument set 3 and 6 are reported in column two and three of Table II.4.4.

The results of the DGMM2R estimation using $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2} \ldots \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}$, $\ln s_{i, t-2} \ldots \ln s_{i, t-4}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right) \ldots \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1} \ldots$ $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as valid instruments in column one of Table II.4.4 show that the estimated coefficient on the variable of initial output per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, is significant and equal to 0.61 , indicating conditional convergence as predicted in the HCASM. The estimated rate of convergence is found to be high, approximately 9.8 per cent a year. The investment rate is found to be weakly significant with the expected sign while the human capital level is found to be significant with the wrong (negative) sign. However, it can be seen that the estimate of the coefficient on $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ in the DGMM2R regression seems to be much lower than that in the corresponding WG estimate (see column two of Table II.4.1) which itself is likely to be biased downwards. Therefore, the DGMM2R estimate of the coefficient on initial output per worker is likely to be biased. This is consistent with the results of simulations
in econometric studies, for example Blundell and Bond (1998), which indicate that the first-differenced GMM estimator may be seriously biased due to the presence of weak instruments. Therefore, the finding on the significance of the human capital with a wrong sign may be a consequence of the presence of bias in first-differenced GMM regressions, and overall these results should be treated with caution.

Next, this study considers the result of the SGMM2R with valid instrument sets 3 and 6 in columns two and three of Table II.4.4. In particular, column two reports SGMM2R estimates using $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-3}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ as valid instruments for first differenced equations, combined with $\Delta \ln (Y /$ $L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as valid instruments for level equations (i.e. instrument set 3); whereas column three report SGMM2R estimates using $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as valid instruments for first differenced equations combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}$, $\Delta \ln s_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as valid instruments for level equations (i.e. instrument set 6).

Table II.4.4: The DGMM2R, SGMM2R and LSDVC estimation of the HCASM - Sample 1

|  | $(1)$ | $(2)$ | $(3)$ | $(4)$ | $(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | DGMM2R_IS4 | SGMM2R_IS3 | SGMM2R_IS6 | LSDVC1 | LSDVC2 |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.613^{* * *}$ | $0.949^{* * *}$ | $0.969^{* * *}$ | $0.997^{* * *}$ | $0.987^{* * *}$ <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> $\ln s_{i t}$$(0.078)$ |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Windmeijer-corrected standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ physical investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\right.$ $\delta$ ) growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. $\lambda$ denotes convergence rate. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. F-test is used to test the restriction that the coefficients on the physical investment rate and the growth of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude and opposite signs. $m_{2}$ is Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. DGMM2R_IS4 denotes DGMM2R using instrument set 4 in Table II.4.2. SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 denote SGMM2R using instrument sets 3 and 6 in Table II.4.3 respectively. LSDVC1 and LSDVC1 denote LSDVC initialized with SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 respectively. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.6.

Results of the SGMM2R estimations support the prediction of conditional convergence in the HCASM. The coefficients on the initial output per worker, $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, in the two SGMM2R estimations using instrument sets 3 and 6 are found to be significant and equal to 0.95 and 0.97 respectively, leading to slow rates of conditional convergence, as in BHT (2001) but here using a reduced instrument set, more countries and a longer span of data. The estimate of the coefficient in the SGMM2R regression using instrument set 3 (hereafter SGMM2R_IS3) lies within the approximate 'upper and lower bounds', but implies a relatively high coefficient on the variable $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$, similar to that found by the SGMM2R regression using instrument set 6 (hereafter SGMM2R_IS6). Although the estimate of the coefficient in the SGMM2R regression using instrument set 6 lies outside the approximate bounds, it is very close to the (approximate) upper bound. Note that the 'upper and lower bounds' are only approximate as discussed above. Arellano-Bond tests do not reject the null hypothesis of no second-order serial correlation in the regression models in the two estimations. Results of Hansen and Difference Hansen tests imply that the instrument sets used in the two SGMM2R estimations in Table II.4.4 are potentially valid (and the instrument counts are smaller than the number of countries, $N$, of the sample). Therefore, the SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimates are used as the preferred estimators for Sample 1 in this study.

The rate of convergence rate found in the SGMM2R_IS3 estimation is about one per cent a year $(\lambda=1 \%)$ while that found in the SGMM2R_IS6 is approximately 0.6 per cent a year $(\lambda=0.6 \%)$. With respect to explanatory variables, the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital, $\ln s_{i t}$, are strongly significant and positive in both the two SGMM2R estimations. This result supports the HCASM in that the effect of the investment rate in physical
capital on output per worker is positive. The effect of the growth of the labour force on output per worker is found to be negative as the HCASM predicts. This effect is significant at the one percent level of significance in the SGMM2R_IS3 estimates while it is significant at the ten percent level in the SGMM2R_IS6 estimates. F-tests do not reject the restriction that the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital and the growth of the labour force have the same magnitude and opposite signs at conventional levels, consistent with the HCASM.

Differentiating from the SGMM2R estimation using a standard instrument set in Table II.4.1, both the SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimations in Table II.4.4 show that the effect of the human capital on output is insignificant, but positively signed and with p-values of 0.25 and 0.40 respectively. This result is similar to that found in the system GMM estimation of the HCASM in BHT.

Further, this study performs LSDVC estimations initialized with the SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimates to correct the Nickell (1981) bias in WG estimation. The LSDVC estimations (see column four and five of Table II.4.4) show that the coefficient on the variable for the investment rate, $\ln s_{i t}$, is positive and significant while that on the growth of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation), $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$, is negative and significant at conventional levels. This result supports the prediction of the HCASM that the investment rate in physical capital has a positive effect on output per worker whereas the growth rate of the labour force has a negative effect on output per worker. The coefficient on the level of human capital, $\ln h_{i t}$, is found to be insignificant. The result of an F-test does not reject the restriction that the coefficients on the investment rate in physical capital and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate
of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude but are opposite in sign, as expected in the HCASM. In addition, the results of the LSDVC estimations support the conditional convergence prediction of the HCASM. The coefficients on the initial output per worker are found to be high, leading to slow rates of conditional convergence. In particular, the rates of convergence, derived from these estimated coefficients on initial output per worker in the LSDVC estimations, are about 0.1 and 0.3 percent a year.

It can be seen that the LSDVC estimates seem in line with our preferred SGMM2R estimates, in that the influence of the investment rate and the growth rate of the labour force (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) on the level of the growth path is significant, while that of the level of human capital is insignificant. They also suggest the rate of conditional convergence is very low. However, note that the LSDVC estimator assumes that the explanatory variables (other than the lagged dependent variable) are strictly exogenous. This assumption seems to be too strong in our case, and thus the SGMM2R estimator is still the preferred one.

This study also tests the robustness of the estimation results of the HCASM by using SGMM2R regressions for Sample 2. Instrument sets in Table II.4.3 are experimented with (see appendix II.4). Among them, only instrument set 6 is likely to be valid based on the results of Hansen and Difference Hansen tests and the comparison between the number of instruments (used for endogenous/predetermined variables) and the number of countries, $N$, of the sample. Therefore, the robust efficient two-step system GMM regression using instrument 6 (SGMM2R_IS6) is used as the preferred estimator for Sample 2.

Table II.4.5:
The SGMM2R estimation of the HCASM with valid instrument set - Sample 2

|  | SGMM2R_IS6 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.988^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.014)$ |
| $\ln s_{i t}$ | $0.075^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.029)$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | 0.026 |
|  | $(0.050)$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | 0.042 |
|  | $(0.037)$ |
| Implied $\lambda$ | 0.003 |
|  | $(0.003)$ |
| F-test (p-value) | 0.05 |
| m2 (p-value) | 0.21 |
| Hansen (p-value) | 0.38 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | 0.60 |
| No. of instr. ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | 111 |
| No. of observations | 1114 |
| No. of countries | 127 |
| Average no. of periods | 8.8 |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. $*$ denotes significance at the ten percent level. Windmeijer-corrected standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ physical investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. $\lambda$ denotes convergence rate. F-test is used to test the restriction that the coefficients on the physical investment rate and the growth of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) have the same magnitude and opposite signs. $m_{2}$ is Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. SGMM2R_IS6 denotes SGMM2R using instrument set 6 in Table II.4.3. STATA output of the regression is reported in appendix II.7.

The results of the SGMM2R_IS6 estimates in Table II.4.5 show the coefficient on the variable for initial output per worker is significant and less than one. This indicates conditional convergence as the HCASM predicts. The rate of conditional convergence is approximately 0.3 per cent a year $(\lambda=0.3 \%)$. The
investment rate is found to be highly significant and positive. The growth of the labour force and the level of human capital are found to be insignificant in the SGMM2R_IS6 regression using Sample 2. The F-test rejects the restriction that the coefficients on the physical investment rate and the growth rate of the labour force have the same magnitude and opposite signs.

In summary, the coefficient on initial output per worker is significantly different from zero, and less than one, in all regressions in this section, robustly confirming the conditional-convergence prediction in the HCASM. The investment rate is also found to be significant and positive in all regressions. This evidence supports the prediction of HCASM that the investment rate has a positive impact on output per worker. In our preferred regressions (SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 for Sample 1 and SGMM2R_IS6 for Sample 2), the rate of convergence rate found is from 0.03 to 1 percent a year. These rates of convergence are slower than found in the empirical estimation of the HCASM in previous research by MRW ( $\lambda=$ $1.4 \%$ ), Islam (1995) $(\lambda=3.8 \%)$, CEL $(\lambda=6.8 \%)$, BHT $(\lambda=1.7 \%)$ and Hoeffler (2002) ( $\lambda=3.3 \%$ ). The influence of the growth of the labour force on output is not robustly significant. It is found to be significant at the one percent level in the SGMM2R_IS3 using Sample 1 and weakly significant at the ten percent level in the SGMM2R_IS6 using Sample 1. However, it is not significant in the SGMM2R_IS6 using Sample 2. The effect of the human capital variable is found to be insignificant in the preferred SGMM2R regressions. This is a common finding in much of the literature that estimates cross-country panels with education data (Pritchett, 1996; Topel, 1999).

## II.4.2. Does the HCASM fully account for the differential growth of output per worker for sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries?

In this section, we investigate whether the HCASM accounts for the unusual growth of countries in sub-Saharan African (SSA) and East Asian (EA) - the two regions are often known as contrasting regions in terms of economic growth over the past fifty years. Descriptive statistics in Table II.4.6 show that eight out of the top ten slowest-growth countries for the period from 1950/1960 to 2010 come from sub-Saharan Africa. The eight countries are Congo D.R., Niger, Zimbabwe, Senegal, Zambia, Ghana, South Africa and Cote d'Ivoire. By contrast, five within the top ten countries with the highest growth rates over the past fifty years are EA countries. They are China, Taiwan, Korea, Singapore and Thailand (see Table II.4.7).

Our calculation based on data from PWT80 finds that the GDP per worker of SSA countries grows, on average, at approximately 0.3 per cent a year while that of EA countries grows, on average, at about 4.7 percent a year, for the period 1960-2010. The average growth rate of GDP per worker of countries in other regions in our sample is found to be around 1.7 per cent a year in the corresponding period. Therefore, it is likely that SSA countries experience a slower growth performance while, conversely, EA countries experience a faster growth performance in comparison with countries in other regions for the past fifty years.

Table II.4.6: Some descriptive statistics of the ten countries with the slowest growth rates for 1950/1960-2010

|  | Per worker <br> GDP growth <br> (a) | Initial GDP <br> per worker <br> $(2005$ US\$)(b) | Average ratio <br> of investment <br> to GDP(a) | Average <br> growth rate <br> of labour (a) | Initial years <br> of schooling <br> (b) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Congo D.R. | -0.0237 | 2273 | 0.2543 | 0.0282 | 0.81 |
| Niger | -0.0146 | 3534 | 0.2290 | 0.0340 | 0.38 |
| Zimbabwe | -0.0073 | 10032 | 0.1627 | 0.0319 | 2.52 |
| Senegal | -0.0009 | 3857 | 0.085 | 0.0275 | 1.85 |
| Zambia | 0.0002 | 3222 | 0.1057 | 0.0267 | 2.26 |
| Jamaica | 0.0019 | 10004 | 0.1778 | 0.0144 | 3.84 |
| Ghana | 0.0029 | 4063 | 0.2275 | 0.0283 | 1.08 |
| South Africa | 0.0041 | 17010 | 0.2544 | 0.0271 | 4.40 |
| Bolivia | 0.0056 | 6728 | 0.1307 | 0.0186 | 2.50 |
| Cote d`voire | 0.0056 | 2930 | 0.0889 | 0.0319 | 0.93 |
(a) Statistics are measured from the earliest available years (in 1950-1960) to 2010. (b) Statistics are measured from the earliest available years.

Table II.4.7: Some descriptive statistics of the top ten countries with the fastest growth rates for 1950/1960-2010

|  | Per worker <br> GDP growth <br> (a) | Initial GDP <br> per worker <br> (2005US\$) (b) | Average <br> ratio of <br> investment <br> to GDP (a) | Average <br> growth rate <br> of labour (a) | Initial years <br> of schooling <br> (b) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| China | 0.0526 | 817 | 0.2611 | 0.0227 | 1.86 |
| Romania | 0.0487 | 2249 | 0.2039 | -0.0071 | 5.24 |
| Taiwan | 0.0476 | 6661 | 0.2625 | 0.0232 | 4.98 |
| Korea | 0.0461 | 5842 | 0.2843 | 0.0253 | 4.34 |
| Thailand | 0.0460 | 1478 | 0.2534 | 0.0203 | 4.19 |
| Japan | 0.0422 | 5171 | 0.2936 | 0.0084 | 6.86 |
| Malta | 0.0388 | 7201 | 0.3639 | 0.0113 | 4.17 |
| Singapore | 0.0386 | 10365 | 0.4567 | 0.0358 | 3.66 |
| Turkey | 0.0375 | 4335 | 0.2170 | 0.0102 | 1.11 |
| Cyprus | 0.0366 | 9085 | 0.3851 | 0.0107 | 5.07 |

(a) statistics are measured from the earliest available years (in 1950-1960) to 2010. (b) statistics are measured from the earliest available years.

This study firstly starts the investigation on whether the HCASM fully explains the growth of output per worker in SSA and EA countries by adding a SSA dummy and an EA dummy to the HCASM and using our preferred robust SGMM2R estimators (SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 for Sample 1 and SGMM2R_IS6 for Sample 2) to estimate. In the regressions, the SSA dummy and the EA dummy take the value equal to one if the country is located in subSaharan Africa and East Asia respectively; otherwise the dummies take the value zero. The dummies are included in the levels equations of the SGMM estimator.

The SGMM2R results for Samples 1 and 2 are reported in Tables II.4.8 and II.4.9 respectively. In the tables, the estimated models in regressions one and four are the HCASM with an SSA dummy, in regressions two and five are the HCASM with an EA dummy, and in regressions three and six are HCASM with SSA and EA dummies. In Table II.4.8, regressions one, two and three use the SGMM2R_IS3 while regressions four, five and six use the SGMM2R_IS6. In Table II.4.9 regressions one, two and three use the SGMM2R_IS6.

Table II.4.8: SGMM2R estimation of the HCASM with SSA and EA dummies - Sample 1

|  | SGMM2R_IS3 <br> (1) <br> (2) |  |  | SGMM2R_IS6 <br> (4) <br> (5) |  | (6) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.929^{* * *} \\ & (0.018) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.957 * * * \\ & (0.017) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.941^{* * *} \\ & (0.017) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.949 * * * \\ & (0.017) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.969 * * * \\ & (0.015) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.953 * * * \\ & (0.016) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln S_{i t}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.097 * * * \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.100 * * * \\ & (0.030) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.088^{* * *} \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.081^{* * *} \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.079 * * * \\ & (0.027) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.076 * * * \\ & (0.028) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.171^{* * *} \\ & (0.065) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.220^{* * *} \\ & (0.063) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.191 * * * \\ & (0.066) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.109 \\ & (0.078) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.143 * * \\ & (0.069) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.121 \\ & (0.076) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.036 \\ & (0.026) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.023 \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.023 \\ & (0.025) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.038 \\ & (0.034) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.030 \\ & (0.032) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.035 \\ & (0.032) \end{aligned}$ |
| SSA dummy | $\begin{aligned} & -0.092^{* * *} \\ & (0.028) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.076 * * * \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.070^{* * *} \\ & (0.024) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.057 * * \\ & (0.026) \end{aligned}$ |
| EA dummy |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.065^{* *} \\ & (0.026) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.044 \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.068^{* * *} * \\ & (0.022) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.045^{*} \\ & (0.025) \end{aligned}$ |
| $m_{2}$ (p-value) | 0.44 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 0.44 | 0.44 | 0.44 |
| Hansen (p-value) | 0.23 | 0.27 | 0.28 | 0.24 | 0.27 | 0.26 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | 0.79 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 0.43 | 0.47 | 0.47 |
| No. of instr. ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | 123 | 123 | 123 | 111 | 111 | 111 |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level.
 $\delta$ ) growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. $m_{2}$ is Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. The number of observations in all columns is 1170 , the number of countries is 134 countries and the average number of periods is 8.7. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II. 8 .

Table II.4.9: The SGMM2R estimation of the HCASM with SSA and EA dummies -
Sample 2

|  | SGMM2R_IS6 <br> (1) |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.972^{* * *}$ | $0.987^{* * *}$ | $0.973^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.015)$ | $(0.013)$ | $(0.015)$ |
| $\ln s_{i t}$ | $0.072^{* *}$ | $0.068^{* *}$ | $0.068^{* *}$ |
|  | $(0.029)$ | $(0.028)$ | $(0.028)$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | 0.051 | 0.023 | 0.044 |
|  | $(0.054)$ | $(0.053)$ | $(0.059)$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | 0.044 | 0.047 | 0.045 |
|  | $(0.033)$ | $(0.035)$ | $(0.033)$ |
| SSA dummy | $-0.069^{* * *}$ |  | $-0.060^{* *}$ |
|  | $(0.023)$ |  | $(0.025)$ |
| EA dummy |  | $0.051^{* *}$ | 0.030 |
|  |  | $(0.021)$ | $(0.022)$ |
| $m_{2}$ (p-value) | 0.43 | 0.43 | 0.44 |
| Hansen (p-value) | 0.21 | 0.23 | 0.25 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | 0.35 | 0.47 | 0.47 |
| No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ | 111 | 111 | 111 |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Windmeijer-corrected standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ physical investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. $m_{2}$ is Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. The number of observations in all columns is 1114 , the number of countries is 127 countries and the average number of periods is 8.8 . STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.9.

Firstly, it can be seen that Arellano-Bond tests in Tables II.4.8 and II.4.9 do not reject the null hypothesis of no second-order serial correlation in the regression models. In Tables II.4.8, the coefficient on the SSA dummy is found to be significant and negative in regressions one and four while that on the EA dummy is found to be significant and positive in regressions two and five. When including both SSA and EA dummies into the HCASM, regressions
three and six of Table II.4.8 show the coefficient on the SSA dummy is still significant at conventional levels. However, the coefficient on the EA dummy is insignificant in regression three while weakly significant at the ten percent level in regression six. Similarly, the SGMM2R_IS6 regressions using sample 2 in Table II.4.9 also show that the SSA and EA dummies are significant when they are individually included into the HCASM. When the two dummies are included into the HCASM at the same time, the SSA dummy is found to be significant.

In general, the above results seem to indicate that the HCASM with variables including initial output per worker, the investment rate, labour force growth and human capital does not fully account for the growth of countries in subSaharan Africa and East Asia. Alternatively, this study checks this by using a two-step procedure suggested in Hoeffler (2002), by which a GMM estimator is used to estimate the HCASM in the first step to achieve consistent estimates of the coefficients on the regressors, and residuals are then calculated from the estimation. In the second step, we can check directly the correlation between the SSA/EA dummy and the residuals by regressing the residuals on the dummy variables. A finding on the significance of the SSA/EA dummy in the second step indicates that the HCASM cannot fully account for the variation in the growth of SSA/EA countries.

However, different from Hoeffler (2002), this study uses the efficient two-step SGMM with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors, instead of the one-step SGMM, to estimate the HCASM in the first step of the procedure. Moreover, the first step of the procedure is based on a reduced instrument set compared to Hoeffler (2002), as well as using more recent data. In particular, the preferred SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 regressions are used for sample 1 while SGMM2R_IS6 regression is used for sample 2 to estimate the HCASM in step
one. Results of the two-step procedure using Sample 1 are reported in Table II.4.10 while those using Sample 2 are reported in Table II.4.11. In regressions two, three, six and seven of Table II.4.10 and regressions two and three of Table II.4.11, this study regresses the residuals on the SSA/EA dummies individually while in regressions four and eight of Table II.4.10 and regression four of Table II.4.11, this study regresses the residuals on both the SSA and EA dummies at the same time.

In the two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS3 in Table II.4.10, the coefficients on the SSA and EA dummies are found to be significant at conventional levels in all the three regressions two, three and four. In the twostep procedure using SGMM2R_IS6 in the same table, the SSA and EA dummies are found to be significant when we regress the estimated residuals on them individually (see regressions six and seven); however, when regressing the estimated residuals on both dummies at the same time, the SSA dummy is weakly significant at the ten percent level while the EA dummy is insignificant (see regression eight in Table II.4.10).

With respect to Table II.4.11 using Sample 2, the SSA and EA dummies are again found to be significant at conventional levels when we regress the residuals (estimated from the SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the HCASM) on the dummies individually (see column two and three of Table II.4.11). When regressing the estimated residuals on both the SSA and EA dummies simultaneously, the SSA dummy is found to be weakly significant at the ten percent level while the EA dummy is still significant at the five percent level (see column four of Table II.4.11).

It can be seen that the significance of the SSA and EA dummies found in step 2 of most the two-step procedures show that the HCASM does not seem to be
able to fully account for the variation in the growth performance experienced by sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries.

As for the SSA dummy particularly, the empirical evidence in Tables II.4.10 and II.4.11 shows that it is significant at conventional levels in all the regressions when we regress the estimated residuals on it alone (see regressions two and five of Table II.4.10 and regression two of Table II.4.11). The results are different from those found in Hoeffler (2002) where she uses a standard one-step system GMM (in step 1 of the two-step procedure) based on a sample of 85 countries for 1960-1990 and establishes the insignificance of the dummy for sub-Saharan African countries. We would like to stress that our study uses two-step SGMM estimations with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors which is suggested to be more efficient in comparison with a standard one-step system GMM (Windmeijer, 2005; Roodman, 2006). In addition, the samples used in our study are larger and more recent than the sample used in Hoeffler (2002). Thus, our findings are making use of additional information.

Table II.4.10: Two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 - Sample 1


Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. $* *$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Standard errors that are asymptotically robust to both heteroscedasticity and serial correlation are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. The number of observations in all columns is 1170 , the number of countries is 134 countries and the average number of periods is 8.7 . STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.10.

Table II.4.11: Two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS6 - Sample 2

|  | Step 1 <br> SGMM2R_IS6 <br> $(1)$ | Step 2 <br> (2) | $(3)$ | $(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.988^{* * *}$ |  |  |  |
|  | $(0.014)$ |  |  |  |
| $\ln s_{i t}$ | $0.075^{* * *}$ |  |  |  |
|  | $(0.029)$ |  |  |  |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | 0.026 |  |  | $-0.031^{*}$ |
|  | $(0.050)$ |  |  | $(0.017)$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | 0.042 |  |  |  |
|  | $(0.037)$ | $-0.037^{* * *}$ |  | $0.048^{* *}$ |
| SSA dummy |  | $(0.017)$ |  | $(0.0198)$ |
|  |  |  | $(0.020)$ |  |
| EA dummy |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ${ }^{* *}$ denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Standard errors that are asymptotically robust to both heteroscedasticity and serial correlation are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. The number of observations in all columns is 1114, the number of countries is 127 countries and the average number of periods is 8.8 . STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.11.

## The HCASM and technological progress

The empirical evidence in the previous section indicates that the HCASM does not seem to fully explain the differences in the growth performance of SSA and EA countries. A potential reason explaining the abnormal growth of SSA and EA countries is that rates of technological progress of countries in subSaharan Africa and East Asia are different from those of countries in other regions.

It is worth noting that, in the HCASM, the rate of technological progress is assumed to be common to all countries. In this research, as well as in other panel work on the HCASM in the empirical studies, for example, Islam (1995) and CEL, a common but time-varying rate of technological progress is proxied by the period dummies $\left(\omega_{t}\right)$ in the regression model. In this sub-section, we further examine whether the differential technological progress of sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries affects their growth of output per worker.

We can do this by firstly creating interaction terms of the SSA and EA dummies with period dummies. In particular, we call interactions of the SSA dummy with period dummies SSAP and call interactions of the EA dummy with period dummies EAP, where

$$
\begin{gathered}
S S A P_{r t}=S S A * \omega_{t} \\
E A P_{r t}=E A * \omega_{t}
\end{gathered}
$$

Next, we use the preferred robust SGMM2R estimators to estimate the HCASM with dummies SSA and EA and interactions SSAP and EAP. The results of the SGMM2R estimation are reported in Table II.4.12 for Sample 1 and reported in Table II.4.13 for Sample 2.

In Table II.4.12 using Sample 1, the regression model in column one and four is the HCASM with the dummy SSA and interactions SSAP, that in column two and five is the HCASM with dummy EA and interactions EAP, and that in column three and six is the HCASM with dummies SSA and EA and interactions SSAP and EAP. Similarly, in Table II.4.13 using Sample 2, the regression model in column one is the HCASM with the dummy SSA and interactions SSAP, that in column two is the HCASM with dummy EA and interactions EAP, and that in column three is the HCASM with dummies SSA and EA and interactions SSAP and EAP. The results of Arellano-Bond tests do
not reject the null hypothesis of no second-order serial correlation in the regression models in the two tables.

Firstly, we look at the results of the SGMM2R in columns of Table II.4.12 and compare them with those in the corresponding columns of Tables II.4.8. In columns one and two of Table II.4.12, when we include SSAP or EAP individually into the HCASM with SSA or EA dummy (in table II.4.8), the coefficient on the SSA dummy in the HCASM with SSA and SSAP and that on the EA dummy in the HCASM with EA and EAP in Tables II.4.12 is still significant at conventional levels in the SGMM2R_IS3 estimation. Similarly, the coefficient on the EA dummy remains significant at conventional levels when interactions EAP are included into the HCASM in the SGMM2R_IS6 estimation (see column five of Tables II.4.12 and II.4.8). However, the results in column four of Tables II.4.12 and II.4.8 show that the coefficient on the SSA dummy becomes insignificant when we control for the technological change for SSA countries by introducing interactions SSAP into the regression model. We also find similar empirical evidence for Sample 2: the coefficient on the SSA dummy becomes insignificant when interactions SSAP are included in the HCASM (see column one of Tables II.4.13 and II.4.9) while that on the EA dummy becomes weakly significant at the ten percent level when interactions EAP are introduced into the regression model (see column two of Tables II.4.13 and II.4.9). Furthermore, when both interactions SSAP and EAP are introduced into the regression model to control for the technological progression of countries in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia, the coefficients on SSA and EA dummies are found not to be significant at the usual critical level in all the results of regressions (see columns three and six of Table II.4.12 and column three of Table II.4.13). Along with that, most results
of tests of joint significance of the interactions reject the exclusion of SSAP/EAP from the regression model.

These results may imply that when the difference in the rate of the technological progression among countries in sub-Saharan Africa, East Asian and other regions are taken into account, the HCASM seems to be able to explain the variation in the growth of SSA and EA countries to a greater extent and it may be a factor that helps to explain the contrasting growth performance of SSA and EA countries over the last fifty years.

Table II.4.12: SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the HCASM with SSA and EA dummies and interactions SSAP and EAP - Sample 1

|  | SGMM2R_IS3 <br> (1) <br> (2) <br> (3) |  |  | SGMM2R_IS6 <br> (4) <br> (5) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.920^{* * *} \\ & (0.019) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.957 * * * \\ & (0.016) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.944 * * * \\ & (0.023) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.940^{* * *} \\ & (0.018) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.972^{* * *} \\ & (0.015) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.947 * * * \\ & (0.024) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln S_{i t}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.094 * * * \\ & (0.032) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.094 * * * \\ & (0.027) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.076 * * * \\ & (0.028) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.082 * * * \\ & (0.022) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.083 * * * \\ & (0.027) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.071^{* * *} \\ & (0.026) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.142^{* *} \\ & (0.070) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.237^{* * *} \\ & (0.055) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.190^{* * *} \\ & (0.064) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.083 \\ & (0.068) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.159^{* *} \\ & (0.066) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.105 \\ & (0.076) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.051^{*} \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.017 \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.026 \\ & (0.035) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.056 \\ & (0.039) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.015 \\ & (0.037) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.041 \\ & (0.041) \end{aligned}$ |
| SSA dummy | $\begin{aligned} & -0.072 * * \\ & (0.033) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.019 \\ & (0.035) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.036 \\ & (0.033) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.027 \\ & (0.041) \end{aligned}$ |
| EA dummy |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.088^{* * *} \\ & (0.033) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.117^{*} \\ & (0.066) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.076 * * * \\ & (0.028) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.050 \\ & (0.034) \end{aligned}$ |
| Test joint sign. of SSAP (p-value) | 0.08 |  |  | 0.02 |  |  |
| Test joint sign. of EAP (p-value) |  | 0.02 |  |  | 0.01 |  |
| Test joint sign. of SSAP and EAP (p-val.) |  |  | 0.01 |  |  | 0.01 |
| $m_{2}$ (p-value) | 0.39 | 0.48 | 0.43 | 0.39 | 0.46 | 0.39 |
| Hansen (p-value) | 0.49 | 0.63 | 0.88 | 0.28 | 0.53 | 0.57 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | 0.99 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 0.59 | 0.81 | 0.98 |
| No. of instr. ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | 123 | 123 | 123 | 111 | 111 | 111 |

Note: ${ }^{* * *}$ denotes significance at the one percent level. ** denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Windmeijer-corrected standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. $m_{2}$ is the Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. Regressions one, two and three use SGMM2R_IS3. Regressions four, five and six use SGMMR_IS6. The number of observations in all columns is 1170 , the number of countries is 134 countries and the average number of periods is 8.7. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II. 12 .

Table II.4.13: SGMM2R estimation of the HCASM with SSA and EA dummies and interactions SSAY and EAY - Sample 2

|  | SGMM2R_IS6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $(1)$ |  |  |
| $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ | $0.965^{* * *}$ | $0.986^{* * *}$ | $0.969^{* * *}$ |
|  | $(0.016)$ | $(0.013)$ | $(0.017)$ |
| $\ln s_{i t}$ | $0.073^{* *}$ | $0.073^{* * *}$ | $0.065^{* *}$ |
|  | $(0.034)$ | $(0.027)$ | $(0.031)$ |
| $\ln \left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ | 0.065 | 0.000 | 0.054 |
|  | $(0.061)$ | $(0.056)$ | $(0.066)$ |
| $\ln h_{i t}$ | 0.055 | 0.034 | 0.045 |
|  | $(0.038)$ | $(0.037)$ | $(0.039)$ |
| SSA dummy | -0.024 |  | -0.013 |
|  | $(0.028)$ |  | $(0.033)$ |
| EA dummy |  | $0.064^{*}$ | $0.062^{*}$ |
|  |  | $(0.038)$ | $(0.036)$ |
| Test joint sign. of SSAP (p-value) | 0.01 |  |  |
| Test joint sign. of EAP (p-value) |  | 0.01 |  |
| Test joint sign. of SSAP and EAP (p-val.) |  |  | 0.01 |
| $m_{2}$ (p-value) | 0.38 | 0.44 | 0.45 |
| Hansen (p-value) | 0.55 | 0.45 | 0.72 |
| Dif.Hansen (p-value) | 0.73 | 0.85 | 0.97 |
| No. of instr. |  | a) | 111 |

Note: *** denotes significance at the one percent level. ** denotes significance at the five percent level. * denotes significance at the ten percent level. Windmeijer-corrected standard errors are reported in parentheses. $(Y / L)_{i, t-1}$ denotes initial output per worker, $s_{i t}$ investment rate, $\left(n_{i t}+g+\delta\right)$ growth rate of labour (adjusted by the rate of technological progress and the rate of depreciation) and $h_{i t}$ the level of human capital. (a) the number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables. $m_{2}$ is the Arellano-Bond test of second order serial correlation. Regressions one, two and three use the SGMM2R_IS6. The number of observations in all columns is 1114, the number of countries is 127 countries and the average number of periods is 8.8. STATA output of the regressions is reported in appendix II.13.

Above, this chapter reported empirical results of the estimation of the HCASM. Empirical results of the investigation on whether the HCASM can account for the growth of sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries were also reported in this chapter. The next chapter will provide the conclusion of this study.

## CHAPTER II.5:

## CONCLUSION

This study uses the newest version of the Penn World Table, version 8.0, recently published by Feenstra, Inklaar and Timmer (2013) and the newest Educational Attainment Dataset version 1.3 recently published by Barro and Lee (2013) to estimate the human-capital augmented Solow model and test whether the human-capital augmented Solow model can account for the growth of countries in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia - two regions which experienced contrasting growth performances over the past 50 years.

Using the efficient two-step system GMM estimator with Windmeijercorrected standard errors to estimate the human-capital augmented Solow model and checking robustness to reductions in the instrument count, as suggested in Roodman (2009), this study provides empirical evidence confirming the conditional-convergence hypothesis of the human-capital augmented Solow model. The rate of the convergence found in this study ranges from 0.3 to roughly 1 per cent a year, which is slower than found in research by Mankiw, Romer and Weil (1992) ( $\lambda=1.4$ \%), Islam (1995) ( $\lambda=3.8 \%$ ), Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort (1996) ( $\lambda=6.8 \%$ ), Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) $(\lambda=1.7 \%)$ and Hoeffler (2002) $(\lambda=3.3 \%)$. It is closest to the studies which have used system GMM as their main approach. The estimated rate of the convergence implies that the average time an economy takes to cover half of the distance between its position and its steady state ${ }^{13}$ ranges from 69 to 230 years. Empirical evidence shows that the coefficient on the investment rate in physical capital is robustly significant and positive in regressions. This stresses the important role of the investment rate in physical capital towards influencing the level of the growth path as the Solow model

[^10]predicts. The influence of the level of human capital on the level of the growth path is found to be insignificant while that of labour-force growth is found not to be robust.

In the second section, this study tests whether the human-capital augmented Solow model can account for the differential growth of countries in subSaharan Africa and East Asia by adding regional (SSA and/or EA) dummies into the human-capital Solow model and using a two-step procedure as in Hoeffler (2002). Using two-step system GMM estimation with Windmeijercorrected standard errors to address country-specific effects and endogeneity, we find that SSA and/or EA dummies are likely to be significant in most cases. This implies that the human-capital capital Solow model seems to be unable to fully account for the variation in unusual growth performance of sub-Saharan and East Asian countries even when country-specific effects and endogeneity are taken into account.

As for the SSA dummy, we find that it is significant in all cases when it is tested individually. This evidence is different from that in the research by Hoeffler (2002) who uses a standard one-step system GMM estimator based on a sample of 85 countries for 1960-1990. We would like to stress that our study uses the two-step SGMM estimations with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors which is suggested to be more efficient in comparison with a standard one-step system GMM (Windmeijer, 2005; Roodman, 2006). In addition, the samples used in our study are larger and the PWT data are more recent than the data and sample used in Hoeffler (2002). Thus, our findings are making use of additional information.

This study further allows for differences in the rate of the technological progress of SSA and EA countries by introducing interactions (SSAP/EAP) between the SSA/EA dummies and the period dummies into the regression
model, to consider the effect of technological progress on the growth of SSA and EA countries. We find that when both interactions SSAP and EAP are introduced into the regression model to control for the technological progress of countries in sub-Saharan Africa and East Asia, the coefficients on the SSA and EA dummies are found not to be significant at the usual critical levels in all the regressions. In addition, the results of tests of joint significance of the interactions reject the exclusion of SSAP and EAP from the regression models. This implies the rates of technological progress between the two regions are likely to be different and this may be a reason that helps to explain the contrasting growth performance experienced by sub-Saharan African and East Asian countries over the past fifty years.

Finally, it can be seen that one contribution of this study is the use of the newest Penn World Table version 8.0 recently published by Feenstra, Inklaar and Timmer (2013) and the newest Educational Attainment Dataset version 1.3 recently published by Barro and Lee (2013) in the research. Therefore, this study's findings are making use of additional information. The second contribution is that the estimation of the human-capital Solow model is much closer in line with current best practice, as set out by Windmeijer (2005) and Roodman (2006, 2009), when compared to the earlier literature, which was not. For example earlier papers, such as Bond, Hoeffler and Temple (2001) or Hoeffler (2002), did not restrict the instrument set, nor use efficient two-step system GMM with Windmeijer-corrected standard errors. Given what is now known about the performance of these estimators in such circumstances, the approach taken in this study is more likely to be informative.

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## APPENDICES OF STUDY I

Appendix I.1:
List of countries in the sample

| Australia | Germany | New Zealand |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Austria | Greece | Norway |
| Belgium | Ireland | Portugal |
| Canada | Italy | Spain |
| Demark | Japan | Sweden |
| Finland | Luxembourg | Switzerland |
| France | Netherlands | United Kingdom |

Appendix I.2: Plot of variables over time


Variable In COST




Appendix I.3:
Plot of first difference of variables over time




## Appendix I.4:

STATA output of regressions of the models using one-year lagged values for
independent variables

| //Pooled OLS <br> i.year <br> note: _Iyear <br> Linear regre | _Iyear_1 <br> omitted | $82-2010$ <br> cause of | natural <br> linear <br> d. Err. | coded y <br> adjuste | ```_Iyear_1982 Number of obs F ( 19, 20) Prob > F R-squared Root MSE for 21 clust``` | omitted) $\begin{array}{lr} = & 588 \\ = & \cdot \\ = & . \\ = & 0.7589 \\ = & .86988 \\ \text { ers } & \text { in id) } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| lnFDI | Coef. | Robust Std. Err. | t | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf | Interval] |
| lnGDPL1 | 1.44639 | . 1699709 | 8.51 | 0.000 | 1.091837 | 1.800943 |
| InTAXL1 | -. 7245821 | . 1703599 | -4.25 | 0.000 | -1.079947 | -. 3692176 |
| lncostLi | -1.978785 | . 7170996 | -2.76 | 0.012 | -3.474628 | -. 4829412 |
| lnSKILLL1 | 1.084278 | 1.155997 | 0.94 | 0.359 | -1.32709 | 3.495646 |
| lnOPENL1 | 1.662067 | . 5233484 | 3.18 | 0.005 | . 5703809 | 2.753752 |
| lnFERL1 | -. 0612462 | . 0906707 | -0.68 | 0.507 | -. 2503819 | . 1278894 |
| lnTCL1 | -. 579938 | . 4430588 | -1.31 | 0.205 | -1.504142 | . 3442664 |
| lnRISKL1 | 1.838127 | 1.140266 | 1.61 | 0.123 | -. 5404263 | 4.21668 |
| _Iyear_1983 | -. 5086486 | . 3055888 | -1.66 | 0.112 | -1.146096 | . 1287986 |
| _Iyear_1984 | -. 8575978 | . 3397246 | -2.52 | 0.020 | -1.566251 | -. 1489446 |
| _Iyear_1985 | -1.100724 | . 3753274 | -2.93 | 0.008 | -1.883643 | -. 3178049 |
| _Iyear_1986 | -1.109149 | . 3827567 | -2.90 | 0.009 | -1.907565 | -. 3107321 |
| _Iyear_1987 | -. 4523621 | . 3286724 | -1.38 | 0.184 | -1.137961 | . 2332365 |
| _Iyear_1988 | -. 064221 | . 3524549 | -0.18 | 0.857 | -. 799429 | . 670987 |
| _Iyear_1989 | . 0090001 | . 3684549 | 0.02 | 0.981 | -. 7595833 | . 7775835 |
| _Iyear_1990 | -. 1115786 | . 3594869 | -0.31 | 0.759 | -. 8614551 | . 6382979 |
| _Iyear_1991 | . 1734601 | . 3120333 | 0.56 | 0.584 | -. 4774299 | . 8243502 |
| _Iyear_1992 | . 1265151 | . 3451705 | 0.37 | 0.718 | -. 593498 | . 8465281 |
| _Iyear_1993 | . 1972271 | . 3123038 | 0.63 | 0.535 | -. 4542273 | . 8486815 |
| _Iyear_1994 | -. 0469462 | . 3622956 | -0.13 | 0.898 | -. 8026816 | .7087891 |
| _Iyear_1995 | . 0125299 | . 3769833 | 0.03 | 0.974 | -. 7738435 | . 7989033 |
| _Iyear_1996 | . 1430173 | . 3133828 | 0.46 | 0.653 | -. 5106877 | . 7967223 |
| _Iyear_1997 | . 0252312 | . 3056737 | 0.08 | 0.935 | -. 6123929 | . 6628553 |
| _Iyear_1998 | -. 2387615 | . 3556266 | -0.67 | 0.510 | -. 9805855 | . 5030625 |
| _Iyear_1999 | -. 2633391 | . 3688846 | -0.71 | 0.484 | -1.032819 | . 5061407 |
| _Iyear_2000 | -. 3636693 | . 3969089 | -0.92 | 0.370 | -1.191607 | . 4642683 |
| _Iyear_2001 | -. 7646149 | . 3906714 | -1.96 | 0.064 | -1.579541 | . 0503114 |
| _Iyear_2002 | -. 8824644 | . 396265 | -2.23 | 0.038 | -1.709059 | -. 0558701 |
| _Iyear_2003 | -. 6704537 | . 387297 | -1.73 | 0.099 | -1.478341 | . 1374336 |
| _Iyear_2004 | -. 1817926 | . 3371097 | -0.54 | 0.596 | -. 8849911 | . 5214059 |
| _Iyear_2005 | -. 0382072 | . 204 | -0.19 | 0.853 | -. 4637438 | . 3873293 |
| _Iyear_2006 | -. 1241344 | . 185993 | -0.67 | 0.512 | -. 512109 | . 2638402 |
| _Iyear_2007 | -. 2028052 | . 134699 | -1.51 | 0.148 | -. 4837823 | . 078172 |
| _Iyear_2008 | -. 0642716 | . 0511956 | -1.26 | 0.224 | -. 1710637 | . 0425205 |
| _ Iyear_2009 | (omitted) |  |  |  |  |  |
| _Iyear_2010 | . 1551716 | . 162653 | 0.95 | 0.351 | -. 1841165 | . 4944598 |
| _cons | -13.40555 | 3.989855 | -3.36 | 0.003 | -21.72824 | -5.082855 |



| / Mean Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All coefficients represent averages across groups (group variable: id) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coefficient averages computed as outlier-robust Mean Group type estimation <br> Group variable: id |  |  |  | means (using rreg) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Number | $f$ obs | = | 588 |
|  |  |  |  | Number of groups |  |  | 21 |
| Group variable: | id |  |  | Obs per | group: min |  | 28 |
|  |  |  |  |  | av | $=$ | 28.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  | max | $=$ | 28 |
|  |  |  |  | Wald ch | 2 (8) | $=$ | 21.25 |
|  |  |  |  | Prob > | hi2 | = | 0.0065 |
| lnFDI | Coef. | Std. Err. | z | $\mathrm{P}>\|\mathrm{z}\|$ | [95\% Con | . | Interval] |
| lnGDPL1 \| | . 9337245 | . 3463503 | 2.70 | 0.007 | . 2548904 |  | 1.612559 |
| lnTAXL1 \| | -. 2809236 | . 121019 | -2.32 | 0.020 | -. 5181164 |  | -. 0437308 |
| lncostur \| | -. 0074236 | . 1617816 | -0.05 | 0.963 | -. 3245096 |  | . 3096624 |
| $\operatorname{lnSKILLL1~\|~}$ | . 1070559 | . 3414711 | 0.31 | 0.754 | -. 5622152 |  | . 776327 |
| lnOPENL1 \| | -. 0648992 | . 2519963 | -0.26 | 0.797 | -. 5588029 |  | . 4290044 |
| InFERL1 \| | -. 0391874 | . 0144887 | -2.70 | 0.007 | -. 0675846 |  | -. 0107901 |
| lnTCL1 \| | . 0619102 | . 1347778 | 0.46 | 0.646 | -. 2022493 |  | . 3260698 |
| lnRISKL1 \| | . 3112536 | . 3275403 | 0.95 | 0.342 | -. 3307136 |  | . 9532208 |
| trend \| | . 043683 | . 012876 | 3.39 | 0.001 | . 0184465 |  | . 0689196 |
| _cons \| | -. 1945108 | 2.698804 | -0.07 | 0.943 | -5.484069 |  | 5.095047 |

Root Mean Squared Error (sigma): 0.1325


| IidXlnFD_8 | -. 0937484 | 1.539119 | -0.06 | 0.951 | -3.120238 | 2.932742 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IidXlnFD_9 | -. 8187847 | 1.681221 | -0.49 | 0.627 | -4.124701 | 2.487132 |
| _IidXlnFD_10 | -1.727446 | 1.544902 | -1.12 | 0.264 | -4.765308 | 1.310416 |
| _IidXlnFD_11 | -. 0751844 | 1.536378 | -0.05 | 0.961 | -3.096285 | 2.945916 |
| _IidXlnFD_12 | -. 0150126 | 1.542758 | -0.01 | 0.992 | -3.048658 | 3.018633 |
| _IidXlnFD_13 | 1.787026 | 1.537855 | 1.16 | 0.246 | -1.236979 | 4.811031 |
| _IidXlnFD_14 | 1.441059 | 1.530536 | 0.94 | 0.347 | -1.568556 | 4.450673 |
| _IidXlnFD_15 | -. 8373703 | 1.541376 | -0.54 | 0.587 | -3.868299 | 2.193559 |
| _IidXlnFD_16 | . 130952 | 1.538232 | 0.09 | 0.932 | -2.893794 | 3.155698 |
| _IidXlnFD_17 | -. 337674 | 1.558696 | -0.22 | 0.829 | -3.40266 | 2.727312 |
| _IidXlnFD_18 | . 7530994 | 1.528618 | 0.49 | 0.623 | -2.252744 | 3.758942 |
| _IidXlnFD_19 | . 9752705 | 1.534186 | 0.64 | 0.525 | -2.04152 | 3.992061 |
| _IidXlnFD_20 | -. 7806193 | 1.530549 | -0.51 | 0.610 | -3.790259 | 2.22902 |
| _IidXlnFD_21 | -. 9387065 | 1.527556 | -0.61 | 0.539 | -3.94246 | 2.065047 |
| lnGDPTL1 | -1.495047 | 2.697381 | -0.55 | 0.580 | -6.799121 | 3.809026 |
| IidXlnGD_2 | -. 9230403 | 3.86894 | -0.24 | 0.812 | -8.530842 | 6.684761 |
| IidXlnGD_3 | -1.850668 | 3.92809 | -0.47 | 0.638 | -9.57478 | 5.873444 |
| IidXlnGD_4 | 1.275685 | 3.969191 | 0.32 | 0.748 | -6.529247 | 9.080617 |
| _IidXlnGD_5 | . 5217547 | 3.89538 | 0.13 | 0.894 | -7.138037 | 8.181547 |
| IidXlnGD_6 | -6.020173 | 4.04401 | -1.49 | 0.137 | -13.97223 | 1.931882 |
| IidXlnGD_7 | 2.879254 | 3.816153 | 0.75 | 0.451 | -4.624748 | 10.38326 |
| IidXlnGD_8 | 1.581385 | 3.863206 | 0.41 | 0.683 | -6.015141 | 9.177911 |
| IidXlnGD_9 | 1.037854 | 4.29145 | 0.24 | 0.809 | -7.400763 | 9.476471 |
| _IidXlnGD_10 | 7.863764 | 4.01329 | 1.96 | 0.051 | -. 0278839 | 15.75541 |
| _IidXlnGD_11 | 1.828489 | 3.835006 | 0.48 | 0.634 | -5.712587 | 9.369564 |
| _IidXlnGD_12 | 2.535835 | 3.889826 | 0.65 | 0.515 | -5.113035 | 10.18471 |
| _IidXlnGD_13 | -. 9033872 | 3.882035 | -0.23 | 0.816 | -8.536938 | 6.730164 |
| _IidXlnGD_14 | -1.970146 | 3.846495 | -0.51 | 0.609 | -9.533813 | 5.593521 |
| _IidXlnGD_15 | 2.201788 | 3.837628 | 0.57 | 0.566 | -5.344443 | 9.74802 |
| _IidXlnGD_16 | -1.383831 | 3.837262 | -0.36 | 0.719 | -8.929342 | 6.16168 |
| _IidXlnGD_17 | 4.181273 | 3.912861 | 1.07 | 0.286 | -3.512894 | 11.87544 |
| _IidXlnGD_18 | 1.922777 | 3.852748 | 0.50 | 0.618 | -5.653185 | 9.498739 |
| _IidXlnGD_19 | . 463798 | 3.831114 | 0.12 | 0.904 | -7.069624 | 7.99722 |
| _IidXlnGD_20 | 4.645019 | 3.816453 | 1.22 | 0.224 | -2.859574 | 12.14961 |
| _IidXlnGD_21 | 3.292594 | 3.828219 | 0.86 | 0.390 | -4.235134 | 10.82032 |
| lnTAXTL1 | -. 6483291 | . 9519916 | -0.68 | 0.496 | -2.520305 | 1.223647 |
| IidXlnTA_2 | . 0492587 | 1.345497 | 0.04 | 0.971 | -2.596497 | 2.695015 |
| _IidXlnTA_3 | . 1043987 | 1.437044 | 0.07 | 0.942 | -2.721374 | 2.930171 |
| _IidXlnTA_4 | . 9550086 | 1.333959 | 0.72 | 0.474 | -1.66806 | 3.578078 |
| _IidXlnTA_5 | . 7295006 | 1.361646 | 0.54 | 0.592 | -1.94801 | 3.407012 |
| _IidXlnTA_6 | 2.35819 | 1.388454 | 1.70 | 0.090 | -. 3720367 | 5.088416 |
| _IidXlnTA_7 | . 9973145 | 1.332219 | 0.75 | 0.455 | -1.622332 | 3.616961 |
| _IidXlnTA_8 | 1.050908 | 1.359333 | 0.77 | 0.440 | -1.622055 | 3.723871 |
| IidXlnTA_9 | -1.209409 | 1.489742 | -0.81 | 0.417 | -4.138805 | 1.719988 |
| _IidXlnTA_10 | -. 3152447 | 1.370489 | -0.23 | 0.818 | -3.010145 | 2.379656 |
| _IidXlnTA_11 | 2.450563 | 1.348319 | 1.82 | 0.070 | -. 2007418 | 5.101868 |
| _IidXlnTA_12 | 1.150643 | 1.420845 | 0.81 | 0.419 | -1.643278 | 3.944563 |
| _IidXlnTA_13 | -. 5358673 | 1.360757 | -0.39 | 0.694 | -3.211631 | 2.139897 |
| _IidXlnTA_14 | 1.544755 | 1.328607 | 1.16 | 0.246 | -1.067791 | 4.1573 |
| _IidXlnTA_15 | 1.059558 | 1.352638 | 0.78 | 0.434 | -1.600242 | 3.719357 |
| _IidXlnTA_16 | -. 2299846 | 1.359234 | -0.17 | 0.866 | -2.902754 | 2.442784 |
| _IidXlnTA_17 | 3.031786 | 1.387379 | 2.19 | 0.029 | . 3036727 | 5.759899 |
| _IidXlnTA_18 | 2.112824 | 1.338241 | 1.58 | 0.115 | -. 5186639 | 4.744313 |
| _IidXlnTA_19 | 1.206638 | 1.382541 | 0.87 | 0.383 | -1.51196 | 3.925237 |
| _IidXlnTA_20 | . 1457851 | 1.340603 | 0.11 | 0.913 | -2.490348 | 2.781919 |
| _IidXlnTA_21 | . 2778047 | 1.372517 | 0.20 | 0.840 | -2.421085 | 2.976694 |
| lncostill | . 5399722 | . 6478116 | 0.83 | 0.405 | -. 7338708 | 1.813815 |
| _IidXlnco_2 | -. 7724987 | . 7762691 | -1.00 | 0.320 | -2.298938 | . 7539403 |
| _IidXlnCO_3 | -. 6888745 | . 7506082 | -0.92 | 0.359 | -2.164855 | . 7871056 |
| _IidXlnCO_4 | -1.059598 | . 7791694 | -1.36 | 0.175 | -2.591741 | . 4725437 |
| _IidXlnCO_5 | -1.098016 | . 7354975 | -1.49 | 0.136 | -2.544283 | . 3482506 |
| _IidXlnco_6 | -1.481916 | . 7945764 | -1.87 | 0.063 | -3.044355 | . 080522 |
| _IidXlnCO_7 | -. 4707906 | . 7736184 | -0.61 | 0.543 | -1.992017 | 1.050436 |


| _IidXlnCO_8 | -1.062325 | . 7539381 | -1.41 | 0.160 | -2.544853 | . 4202034 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IidXlnco_9 | . 0461204 | . 7746982 | 0.06 | 0.953 | -1.47723 | 1.569471 |
| _IidXlnCO_10 | -1.504738 | . 7933295 | -1.90 | 0.059 | -3.064725 | . 0552481 |
| IidXlnCO_11 | -1.548977 | . 7357196 | -2.11 | 0.036 | -2.99568 | -. 1022732 |
| IidXlnco_12 | -. 9965192 | . 8011001 | -1.24 | 0.214 | -2.571785 | . 578747 |
| _IidXlnCO_13 | -1.231598 | . 7375983 | -1.67 | 0.096 | -2.681996 | . 2187998 |
| _IidXlnCO_14 | -. 6115377 | . 7654382 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -2.116679 | . 8936037 |
| IidXlnCO_15 | . 3628905 | . 7755552 | 0.47 | 0.640 | -1.162145 | 1.887926 |
| IidXlnco_16 | . 5446965 | . 7401934 | 0.74 | 0.462 | -. 9108042 | 2.000197 |
| IidXlnco_17 | -1.569051 | . 7611218 | -2.06 | 0.040 | -3.065705 | -. 0723972 |
| IidXlnCO_18 | -1.790185 | . 8000277 | -2.24 | 0.026 | -3.363342 | -. 217027 |
| IidXlnCO_19 | -2.616833 | . 7317102 | -3.58 | 0.000 | -4.055652 | -1.178013 |
| _IidXlnCO_20 | -1.743917 | . 7415813 | -2.35 | 0.019 | -3.202147 | -. 2856874 |
| IidXlnCO_21 | -. 3618078 | . 7463644 | -0.48 | 0.628 | -1.829443 | 1.105827 |
| lnSKILLTL1 | . 4589098 | 1.649642 | 0.28 | 0.781 | -2.78491 | 3.70273 |
| IidXlnSk_2 | -. 8962645 | 2.232565 | -0.40 | 0.688 | -5.286333 | 3.493804 |
| IidXlnSK_3 | -. 6976459 | 2.442115 | -0.29 | 0.775 | -5.499769 | 4.104477 |
| IidXlnSK_4 | -. 4587543 | 2.287577 | -0.20 | 0.841 | -4.956997 | 4.039488 |
| IidXlnSk_5 | -1.89631 | 2.236637 | -0.85 | 0.397 | -6.294386 | 2.501767 |
| IidXlnSK_6 | . 5192336 | 2.312979 | 0.22 | 0.823 | -4.028959 | 5.067426 |
| IidXlnSk_7 | -. 8682793 | 2.651861 | -0.33 | 0.744 | -6.082843 | 4.346284 |
| IidXlnSK_8 | -2.795725 | 2.330001 | -1.20 | 0.231 | -7.37739 | 1.785941 |
| IidXlnSK_9 | 3.389335 | 2.5588 | 1.32 | 0.186 | -1.642236 | 8.420905 |
| _IidXlnSk_10 | -1.543376 | 2.289425 | -0.67 | 0.501 | -6.045254 | 2.958502 |
| IidXlnSK_11 | -1.335397 | 2.226497 | -0.60 | 0.549 | -5.713534 | 3.042739 |
| IidXlnSK_12 | -2.080725 | 2.270784 | -0.92 | 0.360 | -6.545946 | 2.384496 |
| _IidXlnSK_13 | . 8941616 | 2.252803 | 0.40 | 0.692 | -3.535703 | 5.324026 |
| _IidXlnSK_14 | -1.457289 | 2.192115 | -0.66 | 0.507 | -5.767817 | 2.853238 |
| _IidXlnSK_15 | 5.065931 | 2.202242 | 2.30 | 0.022 | . 7354896 | 9.396372 |
| IidXlnSK_16 | -2.665521 | 2.220953 | -1.20 | 0.231 | -7.032755 | 1.701713 |
| _IidXlnSK_17 | -. 48511 | 2.313764 | -0.21 | 0.834 | -5.034847 | 4.064627 |
| _IidXlnSK_18 | -1.799651 | 2.179605 | -0.83 | 0.410 | -6.085581 | 2.486279 |
| _IidXlnSK_19 | -. 7299224 | 2.337002 | -0.31 | 0.755 | -5.325353 | 3.865508 |
| _IidXlnSK_20 | -1.478153 | 2.264388 | -0.65 | 0.514 | -5.930798 | 2.974491 |
| IidXlnSK_21 | 1.141152 | 2.309376 | 0.49 | 0.622 | -3.399956 | 5.682261 |
| lnOPENTL1 | . 2092925 | 1.656578 | 0.13 | 0.900 | -3.048167 | 3.466752 |
| _IidXlnOP_2 | -. 6282647 | 2.063535 | -0.30 | 0.761 | -4.685955 | 3.429426 |
| IidXlnOP_3 | . 4226466 | 2.248769 | 0.19 | 0.851 | -3.999285 | 4.844579 |
| IidXlnOP_4 | -1.264846 | 2.019894 | -0.63 | 0.532 | -5.236724 | 2.707031 |
| IidXlnOP_5 | . 7039365 | 2.024563 | 0.35 | 0.728 | -3.277122 | 4.684995 |
| IidXlnOP_6 | 1.248455 | 2.106648 | 0.59 | 0.554 | -2.894012 | 5.390922 |
| IidXlnOP_7 | -. 3165895 | 2.034306 | -0.16 | 0.876 | -4.316806 | 3.683627 |
| IidXlnOP_8 | -. 4078095 | 2.032753 | -0.20 | 0.841 | -4.404972 | 3.589353 |
| IidXlnOP_9 | . 1524799 | 2.098515 | 0.07 | 0.942 | -3.973995 | 4.278955 |
| _IidXlnOP_10 | -. 1668731 | 2.023799 | -0.08 | 0.934 | -4.146428 | 3.812682 |
| _IidXlnOP_11 | -1.198781 | 2.036544 | -0.59 | 0.556 | -5.203397 | 2.805835 |
| _IidXlnOP_12 | -1.478381 | 2.178814 | -0.68 | 0.498 | -5.762756 | 2.805993 |
| _IidXlnOP_13 | . 257604 | 2.080654 | 0.12 | 0.902 | -3.83375 | 4.348958 |
| _IidXlnOP_14 | 1.7343 | 2.015027 | 0.86 | 0.390 | -2.228005 | 5.696606 |
| _IidXlnOP_15 | -. 2661102 | 2.035714 | -0.13 | 0.896 | -4.269094 | 3.736874 |
| _IidXlnOP_16 | . 8022899 | 2.028598 | 0.40 | 0.693 | -3.186701 | 4.791281 |
| _IidXlnOP_17 | -1.347482 | 2.080769 | -0.65 | 0.518 | -5.439063 | 2.744098 |
| _IidXlnOP_18 | -2.261378 | 2.072815 | -1.09 | 0.276 | -6.337317 | 1.814561 |
| IidXlnOP_19 | 1.349758 | 2.064271 | 0.65 | 0.514 | -2.70938 | 5.408896 |
| _IidXlnOP_20 | -2.631257 | 2.063315 | -1.28 | 0.203 | -6.688516 | 1.426002 |
| _IidXlnOP_21 | . 1212661 | 2.044023 | 0.06 | 0.953 | -3.898057 | 4.140589 |
| lnFERTL1 | -. 0260971 | . 1319125 | -0.20 | 0.843 | -. 2854871 | . 2332928 |
| _IidXlnFE_2 | . 077937 | . 1823683 | 0.43 | 0.669 | -. 2806682 | . 4365422 |
| _IidXlnFE_3 | . 0350623 | . 1880066 | 0.19 | 0.852 | -. 3346299 | . 4047545 |
| _IidXlnFE_4 | . 0760678 | . 1772959 | 0.43 | 0.668 | -. 272563 | . 4246986 |
| _IidXlnFE_5 | . 0964402 | . 1784497 | 0.54 | 0.589 | -. 2544596 | . 4473399 |
| IidXlnFE_6 | -. 0166957 | . 1781378 | -0.09 | 0.925 | -. 3669821 | . 3335907 |
| _IidXlnFE_7 | . 0477103 | . 1796726 | 0.27 | 0.791 | -. 3055941 | . 4010148 |




Root Mean Squared Error (sigma): 0.0890

## Appendix I.5:

## STATA output of regressions of the models using two-year lagged values for

independent variables

| //Pooled OLS <br> i.year <br> note: _Iyear <br> note: _Iyear <br> Linear regres | ```_Iyear_ 9 8 3 \text { omitted} 010 omitted ion``` | $82-2010$ <br> ecause of ecause of | natural <br> llinear <br> linear <br> d. Err. | code y $y$ <br> adjust | _Iyear_1982 <br> Number of obs <br> F (19, 20) <br> Prob > F <br> R-squared <br> Root MSE <br> for 21 clust | omitted) $\begin{array}{lr} = & 567 \\ = & . \\ = & . \\ = & 0.7556 \\ = & .87333 \end{array}$ <br> ers in id) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| lnFDI | Coef. | Robust Std. Err. | t | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf | Interval] |
| 1 nGDPL 2 | 1.446759 | . 1720259 | 8.41 | 0.000 | 1.087919 | 1.805598 |
| lnTAXL2 | -. 7185231 | . 1679924 | -4.28 | 0.000 | -1.068949 | -. 3680971 |
| lncostL2 | -1.977598 | . 7308324 | -2.71 | 0.014 | -3.502087 | -. 4531082 |
| lnSKILLL2 | . 9945309 | 1.171355 | 0.85 | 0.406 | -1.448873 | 3.437935 |
| lnOPENL2 | 1.67061 | . 5410285 | 3.09 | 0.006 | . 5420446 | 2.799176 |
| 1 nFERL 2 | -. 0663252 | . 0926897 | -0.72 | 0.483 | -. 2596725 | . 1270221 |
| lnTCL2 | -. 5438219 | . 4633337 | -1.17 | 0.254 | -1.510319 | . 4226752 |
| lnRISKL2 | 1.987067 | 1.154749 | 1.72 | 0.101 | -. 4216976 | 4.395832 |
| _Iyear_1983 | (omitted) |  |  |  |  |  |
| _Iyear_1984 | -. 6064064 | . 3215852 | -1.89 | 0.074 | -1.277221 | . 0644085 |
| _Iyear_1985 | -. 7574061 | . 3280504 | -2.31 | 0.032 | -1.441707 | -. 0731049 |
| _Iyear_1986 | -1.002393 | . 370315 | -2.71 | 0.014 | -1.774857 | -. 2299295 |
| _Iyear_1987 | -. 9193704 | . 390053 | -2.36 | 0.029 | -1.733007 | -. 105734 |
| _Iyear_1988 | -. 3955445 | . 3273194 | -1.21 | 0.241 | -1.078321 | . 2872318 |
| _Iyear_1989 | . 0095037 | . 3583258 | 0.03 | 0.979 | -. 7379508 | . 7569581 |
| _Iyear_1990 | .1816752 | . 379602 | 0.48 | 0.637 | -. 6101607 | . 973511 |
| _Iyear_1991 | -. 0766061 | . 3658901 | -0.21 | 0.836 | -. 8398395 | . 6866274 |
| _Iyear_1992 | . 2016471 | . 3273924 | 0.62 | 0.545 | -. 4812815 | . 8845758 |
| _Iyear_1993 | . 2235833 | . 358701 | 0.62 | 0.540 | -. 5246539 | . 9718205 |
| _Iyear_1994 | . 3306558 | . 3324517 | 0.99 | 0.332 | -. 3628263 | 1.024138 |
| _Iyear_1995 | . 1461187 | . 3711146 | 0.39 | 0.698 | -. 6280127 | . 9202501 |
| _Iyear_1996 | . 0976778 | . 3743799 | 0.26 | 0.797 | -. 683265 | . 8786207 |
| _Iyear_1997 | . 1883087 | . 3287021 | 0.57 | 0.573 | -. 4973518 | . 8739693 |
| _Iyear_1998 | . 2062839 | . 315377 | 0.65 | 0.521 | -. 451581 | . 8641488 |
| _Iyear_1999 | -. 0633298 | . 3630044 | -0.17 | 0.863 | -. 8205438 | . 6938842 |
| _Iyear_2000 | -. 1787825 | . 3797126 | -0.47 | 0.643 | -. 9708491 | . 6132841 |
| _Iyear_2001 | -. 2653926 | . 4172737 | -0.64 | 0.532 | -1.13581 | . 605025 |
| _Iyear_2002 | -. 6230466 | . 3931773 | -1.58 | 0.129 | -1.4432 | . 1971068 |
| _Iyear_2003 | -. 7897169 | . 3886244 | -2.03 | 0.056 | -1.600373 | . 0209394 |
| _Iyear_2004 | -. 4966694 | . 3877756 | -1.28 | 0.215 | -1.305555 | . 3122164 |
| _Iyear_2005 | -. 1661217 | . 3386248 | -0.49 | 0.629 | -. 8724807 | . 5402373 |
| _Iyear_2006 | . 0294854 | . 2166469 | 0.14 | 0.893 | -. 4224322 | . 4814029 |
| _Iyear_2007 | -. 0047519 | . 1751904 | -0.03 | 0.979 | -. 3701927 | . 3606889 |
| _Iyear_2008 | -. 1363905 | . 1401095 | -0.97 | 0.342 | -. 4286539 | . 1558728 |
| _Iyear_2009 | -. 0373946 | . 0504196 | -0.74 | 0.467 | -. 1425681 | . 0677788 |
| _Iyear_2010 | (omitted) |  |  |  |  |  |
| _cons | -13.89839 | 4.027941 | -3.45 | 0.003 | -22.30053 | -5.496254 |




Root Mean Squared Error (sigma): 0.1236


| _IidXlnFD_9 | -. 7157311 | . 8274783 | -0.86 | 0.388 | -2.343203 | . 9117403 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| _IidXlnFD_10 | -. 4896485 | . 8142556 | -0.60 | 0.548 | -2.091114 | 1.111817 |
| _IidXlnFD_11 | . 4927974 | . 7980638 | 0.62 | 0.537 | -1.076822 | 2.062417 |
| _IidXlnFD_12 | . 3241035 | . 8030961 | 0.40 | 0.687 | -1.255413 | 1.90362 |
| _IidXlnFD_13 | -. 5391123 | . 7920393 | -0.68 | 0.497 | -2.096883 | 1.018658 |
| _IidXlnFD_14 | 1.664173 | . 8071544 | 2.06 | 0.040 | . 0766745 | 3.251672 |
| _IidXlnFD_15 | . 843905 | . 8133324 | 1.04 | 0.300 | -. 7557445 | 2.443555 |
| _IidXlnFD_16 | . 2849263 | . 8179352 | 0.35 | 0.728 | -1.323776 | 1.893629 |
| _IidXlnFD_17 | -. 1043612 | . 8376088 | -0.12 | 0.901 | -1.751757 | 1.543035 |
| _IidXlnFD_18 | -. 2547224 | . 8132338 | -0.31 | 0.754 | -1.854178 | 1.344733 |
| _IidXlnFD_19 | -. 2648693 | . 7933988 | -0.33 | 0.739 | -1.825314 | 1.295575 |
| _IidXlnFD_20 | -1.093056 | . 8010892 | -1.36 | 0.173 | -2.668626 | . 4825139 |
| _IidXlnFD_21 | -. 4552581 | . 7954932 | -0.57 | 0.567 | -2.019822 | 1.109306 |
| lnGDPTL2 | -1.091033 | 1.856279 | -0.59 | 0.557 | -4.741933 | 2.559867 |
| _IidXlnGD_2 | -2.934775 | 2.655026 | -1.11 | 0.270 | -8.15664 | 2.287089 |
| IidXlnGD_3 | -1.558352 | 2.720792 | -0.57 | 0.567 | -6.909563 | 3.79286 |
| _IidXlnGD_4 | 2.235064 | 2.549149 | 0.88 | 0.381 | -2.778563 | 7.248691 |
| _IidXlnGD_5 | . 5274651 | 2.61867 | 0.20 | 0.840 | -4.622894 | 5.677825 |
| _IidXlnGD_6 | -7.968091 | 2.600363 | -3.06 | 0.002 | -13.08245 | -2.853737 |
| IidXlnGD_7 | -. 6633807 | 2.560684 | -0.26 | 0.796 | -5.699694 | 4.372933 |
| IidXlnGD_8 | -. 5505827 | 2.674043 | -0.21 | 0.837 | -5.80985 | 4.708685 |
| IidXlnGD_9 | 1.817338 | 2.755139 | 0.66 | 0.510 | -3.601426 | 7.236103 |
| _IidXlnGD_10 | 1.568255 | 2.686218 | 0.58 | 0.560 | -3.714956 | 6.851466 |
| _IidXlnGD_11 | . 1075906 | 2.553965 | 0.04 | 0.966 | -4.915509 | 5.13069 |
| _IidXlnGD_12 | . 4779906 | 2.57102 | 0.19 | 0.853 | -4.578651 | 5.534633 |
| _IidXlnGD_13 | 4.917629 | 2.620397 | 1.88 | 0.061 | -. 2361283 | 10.07139 |
| _IidXlnGD_14 | -3.323165 | 2.576556 | -1.29 | 0.198 | -8.390696 | 1.744365 |
| _IidXlnGD_15 | -2.488519 | 2.609765 | -0.95 | 0.341 | -7.621365 | 2.644328 |
| _IidXlnGD_16 | -2.707675 | 2.662224 | -1.02 | 0.310 | -7.943696 | 2.528346 |
| _IidXlnGD_17 | 2.6996 | 2.696126 | 1.00 | 0.317 | -2.603099 | 8.002298 |
| _IidXlnGD_18 | 4.884585 | 2.610378 | 1.87 | 0.062 | -. 2494669 | 10.01864 |
| _IidXlnGD_19 | 3.077586 | 2.595517 | 1.19 | 0.237 | -2.027237 | 8.182408 |
| _IidXlnGD_20 | 4.535132 | 2.595249 | 1.75 | 0.081 | -. 5691632 | 9.639428 |
| _IidXlnGD_21 | 2.098459 | 2.577805 | 0.81 | 0.416 | -2.971528 | 7.168446 |
| lnTAXTL2 | -. 7881775 | . 5703777 | -1.38 | 0.168 | -1.909988 | . 3336325 |
| _IidXlnTA_2 | . 1256738 | . 7887389 | 0.16 | 0.873 | -1.425606 | 1.676953 |
| IidXlnTA_3 | . 5343537 | . 81053 | 0.66 | 0.510 | -1.059784 | 2.128492 |
| _IidXlnTA_4 | . 245523 | . 7904589 | 0.31 | 0.756 | -1.309139 | 1.800185 |
| _IidXlnTA_5 | . 4900586 | . 7997481 | 0.61 | 0.540 | -1.082874 | 2.062991 |
| _IidXlnTA_6 | 1.619683 | . 813059 | 1.99 | 0.047 | . 0205716 | 3.218795 |
| _IidXlnTA_7 | 2.031485 | . 7871798 | 2.58 | 0.010 | . 4832723 | 3.579699 |
| _IidXlnTA_8 | 1.43655 | . 8053504 | 1.78 | 0.075 | -. 1474006 | 3.020501 |
| IidXlnTA_9 | -. 5801097 | . 8176104 | -0.71 | 0.478 | -2.188173 | 1.027954 |
| _IidXlnTA_10 | 1.509799 | . 8092866 | 1.87 | 0.063 | -. 0818933 | 3.101492 |
| _IidXlnTA_11 | 2.547232 | . 812526 | 3.13 | 0.002 | . 949168 | 4.145295 |
| _IidXlnTA_12 | 1.839628 | . 8054524 | 2.28 | 0.023 | . 2554766 | 3.423779 |
| _IidXlnTA_13 | -. 3159202 | . 8103519 | -0.39 | 0.697 | -1.909708 | 1.277867 |
| _IidXlnTA_14 | . 8941445 | . 7893973 | 1.13 | 0.258 | -. 6584299 | 2.446719 |
| _IidXlnTA_15 | 2.883219 | . 8106177 | 3.56 | 0.000 | 1.288908 | 4.477529 |
| _IidXlnTA_16 | . 3160387 | . 8016383 | 0.39 | 0.694 | -1.260611 | 1.892689 |
| _IidXlnTA_17 | 3.52611 | . 8399738 | 4.20 | 0.000 | 1.874062 | 5.178157 |
| _IidXlnTA_18 | 2.11301 | . 7898575 | 2.68 | 0.008 | . 5595309 | 3.66649 |
| _IidXlnTA_19 | . 2394833 | . 8138611 | 0.29 | 0.769 | -1.361206 | 1.840173 |
| _IidXlnTA_20 | . 8305762 | . 7900355 | 1.05 | 0.294 | -. 7232535 | 2.384406 |
| _IidXlnTA_21 | 1.319213 | . 8039389 | 1.64 | 0.102 | -. 2619619 | 2.900387 |
| lnCosttu2 | . 5611746 | . 4299008 | 1.31 | 0.193 | -. 2843478 | 1.406697 |
| _IidXlnCO_2 | -. 5367521 | . 4878255 | -1.10 | 0.272 | -1.4962 | . 4226957 |
| _IidXlnCO_3 | -. 5911753 | . 5030089 | -1.18 | 0.241 | -1.580485 | . 3981348 |
| _IidXlnCO_4 | -. 9062558 | . 5041282 | -1.80 | 0.073 | -1.897767 | . 0852558 |
| _IidXlnCO_5 | -. 2700905 | . 4803258 | -0.56 | 0.574 | -1.214788 | . 6746069 |
| _IidXlnCO_6 | -. 4817362 | . 4848666 | -0.99 | 0.321 | -1.435364 | . 4718918 |
| _IidXlnCO_7 | -. 3338866 | . 4944435 | -0.68 | 0.500 | -1.30635 | . 6385772 |
| _IidXlnCO_8 | -1.034463 | . 4932714 | -2.10 | 0.037 | -2.004622 | -. 0643047 |


| IidXlnCO_9 | -. 7298646 | . 538345 | -1.36 | 0.176 | -1.788673 | . 3289441 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| _IidXlnCO_10 | -. 6191171 | . 5185401 | -1.19 | 0.233 | -1.638974 | . 4007396 |
| _IidXlnco_11 | -1.31699 | . 4849049 | -2.72 | 0.007 | -2.270693 | -. 3632863 |
| _IidXlnCO_12 | -. 6970705 | . 5070844 | -1.37 | 0.170 | -1.694396 | . 3002552 |
| _IidXlnCO_13 | -. 5330109 | . 4829867 | -1.10 | 0.271 | -1.482942 | . 4169199 |
| _IidXlnCO_14 | -. 0275129 | . 4939434 | -0.06 | 0.956 | -. 9989932 | . 9439674 |
| _IidXlnCO_15 | . 8011863 | . 5050393 | 1.59 | 0.114 | -. 1921173 | 1.79449 |
| _IidXlnco_16 | . 566662 | . 4885764 | 1.16 | 0.247 | -. 3942626 | 1.527587 |
| _IidXlnCO_17 | -1.192849 | . 5074758 | -2.35 | 0.019 | -2.190945 | -. 1947538 |
| _IidXlnCO_18 | -1.915974 | . 4950568 | -3.87 | 0.000 | -2.889644 | -. 942304 |
| _IidXlnCO_19 | -2.522239 | . 4783071 | -5.27 | 0.000 | -3.462966 | -1.581512 |
| _IidXlnCO_20 | -1.616987 | . 4885647 | -3.31 | 0.001 | -2.577888 | -. 6560852 |
| _IidXlnCO_21 | -. 1668102 | . 4955661 | -0.34 | 0.737 | -1.141482 | . 8078616 |
| lnSKILLTL2 | -. 9837025 | 1.205216 | -0.82 | 0.415 | -3.354103 | 1.386698 |
| IidXlnSk_2 | . 7067086 | 1.669968 | 0.42 | 0.672 | -2.577759 | 3.991176 |
| _IidXlnSK_3 | -1.44655 | 1.711311 | -0.85 | 0.399 | -4.81233 | 1.91923 |
| IidXlnSK_4 | 1.451269 | 1.640473 | 0.88 | 0.377 | -1.775188 | 4.677727 |
| IidXlnSk_5 | 1.059546 | 1.618974 | 0.65 | 0.513 | -2.124628 | 4.243719 |
| IidXlnSK_6 | 1.081916 | 1.608482 | 0.67 | 0.502 | -2.081621 | 4.245453 |
| _IidXlnSK_7 | . 2307377 | 1.608832 | 0.14 | 0.886 | -2.933488 | 3.394964 |
| _IidXlnSK_8 | -. 3128141 | 1.67345 | -0.19 | 0.852 | -3.60413 | 2.978502 |
| IidXlnSk_9 | 5.788814 | 1.766065 | 3.28 | 0.001 | 2.315345 | 9.262284 |
| _IidXlnSk_10 | -. 4689307 | 1.644781 | -0.29 | 0.776 | -3.70386 | 2.765998 |
| _IidXlnSk_11 | -2.071723 | 1.622695 | -1.28 | 0.203 | -5.263214 | 1.119767 |
| _IidXlnSK_12 | -. 8043671 | 1.701324 | -0.47 | 0.637 | -4.150504 | 2.54177 |
| _IidXlnSK_13 | 2.915279 | 1.672478 | 1.74 | 0.082 | -. 3741239 | 6.204683 |
| _IidXlnSK_14 | -. 8008423 | 1.617523 | -0.50 | 0.621 | -3.982161 | 2.380476 |
| _IidXlnSK_15 | 3.723149 | 1.608521 | 2.31 | 0.021 | . 5595347 | 6.886763 |
| _IidXlnSK_16 | -1.490551 | 1.629515 | -0.91 | 0.361 | -4.695456 | 1.714355 |
| _IidXlnSK_17 | -3.045341 | 1.674933 | -1.82 | 0.070 | -6.339573 | . 2488903 |
| _IidXlnSK_18 | -. 7024391 | 1.611543 | -0.44 | 0.663 | -3.871996 | 2.467118 |
| _IidXlnSk_19 | -. 0560702 | 1.738304 | -0.03 | 0.974 | -3.47494 | 3.362799 |
| _IidXlnSK_20 | 1.829652 | 1.651219 | 1.11 | 0.269 | -1.41794 | 5.077245 |
| _IidXlnSK_21 | . 8309436 | 1.623789 | 0.51 | 0.609 | -2.362699 | 4.024586 |
| lnOPENTL2 | -. 8737359 | 1.056383 | -0.83 | 0.409 | -2.951414 | 1.203942 |
| _IidXlnOP_2 | -1.829181 | 1.461732 | -1.25 | 0.212 | -4.704093 | 1.045731 |
| _IidXlnOP_3 | -1.428909 | 1.491339 | -0.96 | 0.339 | -4.362051 | 1.504233 |
| IidXlnOP_4 | . 3172468 | 1.422982 | 0.22 | 0.824 | -2.481452 | 3.115946 |
| _IidXlnOP_5 | 3.098354 | 1.438376 | 2.15 | 0.032 | . 2693781 | 5.927329 |
| _IidXlnOP_6 | . 7788704 | 1.49481 | 0.52 | 0.603 | -2.161099 | 3.71884 |
| IidXlnOP_7 | -. 0357368 | 1.442575 | -0.02 | 0.980 | -2.87297 | 2.801497 |
| IidXlnOP_8 | -. 0255781 | 1.445749 | -0.02 | 0.986 | -2.869054 | 2.817898 |
| IidXlnOP_9 | -2.29562 | 1.53103 | -1.50 | 0.135 | -5.306826 | . 7155863 |
| _IidXlnOP_10 | 3.347031 | 1.427177 | 2.35 | 0.020 | . 5400805 | 6.153981 |
| _IidXlnOP_11 | -. 7786004 | 1.475463 | -0.53 | 0.598 | -3.680518 | 2.123317 |
| _IidXlnOP_12 | 1.055476 | 1.489593 | 0.71 | 0.479 | -1.874233 | 3.985186 |
| _IidXlnOP_13 | 2.273025 | 1.477361 | 1.54 | 0.125 | -. 6326259 | 5.178675 |
| _IidXlnOP_14 | 3.392489 | 1.423743 | 2.38 | 0.018 | . 5922939 | 6.192685 |
| _IidXlnOP_15 | -. 9081172 | 1.418757 | -0.64 | 0.523 | -3.698506 | 1.882271 |
| _IidXlnOP_16 | 1.758822 | 1.432426 | 1.23 | 0.220 | -1.058452 | 4.576097 |
| _IidXlnOP_17 | 1.29799 | 1.45631 | 0.89 | 0.373 | -1.566259 | 4.162238 |
| _IidXlnOP_18 | -1.754627 | 1.465417 | -1.20 | 0.232 | -4.636787 | 1.127533 |
| _IidXlnOP_19 | 1.675465 | 1.482431 | 1.13 | 0.259 | -1.240158 | 4.591088 |
| _IidXlnOP_20 | -1.046494 | 1.474658 | -0.71 | 0.478 | -3.946828 | 1.85384 |
| IidXlnOP_21 | . 9585003 | 1.433616 | 0.67 | 0.504 | -1.861114 | 3.778115 |
| lnFERTL2 | . 0531045 | . 07624 | 0.70 | 0.487 | -. 0968431 | . 2030522 |
| _IidXlnFE_2 | . 1507181 | . 1097454 | 1.37 | 0.171 | -. 0651275 | . 3665637 |
| _IidXlnFE_3 | . 0369502 | . 1087565 | 0.34 | 0.734 | -. 1769504 | . 2508507 |
| _IidXlnFE_4 | -. 1152803 | . 1073704 | -1.07 | 0.284 | -. 3264546 | . 0958941 |
| _IidXlnFE_5 | -. 2477329 | . 1085957 | -2.28 | 0.023 | -. 4613172 | -. 0341486 |
| _IidXlnFE_6 | . 175484 | . 1096034 | 1.60 | 0.110 | -. 0400822 | . 3910502 |
| _IidXlnFE_7 | . 0738626 | . 108987 | 0.68 | 0.498 | -. 1404913 | . 2882164 |
| IidXlnFE_8 | . 0111464 | . 1107759 | 0.10 | 0.920 | -. 2067259 | . 2290187 |


| _IidXlnFE_9 | -. 0693285 | . 1076073 | -0.64 | 0.520 | -. 2809688 | . 1423118 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| _IidXlnFE_10 | -. 0351531 | . 1075604 | -0.33 | 0.744 | -. 2467011 | . 176395 |
| _IidXlnFE_11 | . 0211681 | . 1087819 | 0.19 | 0.846 | -. 1927826 | . 2351187 |
| _IidXlnFE_12 | -. 0564374 | . 108994 | -0.52 | 0.605 | -. 2708051 | . 1579303 |
| _IidXlnFE_13 | -. 0081752 | . 1085299 | -0.08 | 0.940 | -. 2216301 | . 2052798 |
| _IidXlnFE_14 | . 0144987 | . 1080496 | 0.13 | 0.893 | -. 1980117 | . 2270091 |
| _IidXlnFE_15 | . 1085933 | . 1079752 | 1.01 | 0.315 | -. 1037706 | . 3209573 |
| _IidXlnFE_16 | -. 0057951 | . 108605 | -0.05 | 0.957 | -. 2193977 | . 2078075 |
| _IidXlnFE_17 | -. 0863754 | . 1094914 | -0.79 | 0.431 | -. 3017214 | . 1289706 |
| _IidXlnFE_18 | . 0173218 | . 1084975 | 0.16 | 0.873 | -. 1960695 | . 2307131 |
| _IidXlnFE_19 | -. 4474465 | . 1110387 | -4.03 | 0.000 | -. 6658357 | -. 2290573 |
| _IidXlnFE_20 | -. 0354079 | . 108855 | -0.33 | 0.745 | -. 2495022 | . 1786864 |
| _IidXlnFE_21 | -. 0406549 | . 1074275 | -0.38 | 0.705 | -. 2519416 | . 1706317 |
| lnTCTL2 | -. 6551358 | 1.118497 | -0.59 | 0.558 | -2.854979 | 1.544707 |
| _IidXlnTC_2 | 2.530407 | 1.573412 | 1.61 | 0.109 | -. 5641545 | 5.624969 |
| _IidXlnTC_3 | . 7323033 | 1.570311 | 0.47 | 0.641 | -2.356159 | 3.820766 |
| _IidXlnTC_4 | . 0771453 | 1.554278 | 0.05 | 0.960 | -2.979785 | 3.134076 |
| _IidXlnTC_5 | -1.068715 | 1.532797 | -0.70 | 0.486 | -4.083397 | 1.945967 |
| _IidXlnTC_6 | 2.017755 | 1.555822 | 1.30 | 0.196 | -1.042213 | 5.077722 |
| _IidXlnTC_7 | . 7059536 | 1.563723 | 0.45 | 0.652 | -2.369553 | 3.78146 |
| _IidXlnTC_8 | . 8348708 | 1.579305 | 0.53 | 0.597 | -2.271282 | 3.941024 |
| IidXlnTC_9 | -. 1647896 | 1.621976 | -0.10 | 0.919 | -3.354867 | 3.025288 |
| _IidXlnTC_10 | . 971268 | 1.569929 | 0.62 | 0.537 | -2.116445 | 4.058981 |
| _IidXlnTC_11 | . 3827959 | 1.546091 | 0.25 | 0.805 | -2.658032 | 3.423624 |
| _IidXlnTC_12 | 1.090268 | 1.554291 | 0.70 | 0.483 | -1.966687 | 4.147223 |
| _IidXlnTC_13 | 1.643676 | 1.570969 | 1.05 | 0.296 | -1.446082 | 4.733434 |
| _IidXlnTC_14 | 2.169522 | 1.539137 | 1.41 | 0.160 | -. 8576301 | 5.196673 |
| _IidXlnTC_15 | -1.598957 | 1.537865 | -1.04 | 0.299 | -4.623607 | 1.425692 |
| _IidXlnTC_16 | -3.090407 | 1.529921 | -2.02 | 0.044 | -6.099431 | -. 0813828 |
| _IidXlnTC_17 | 1.901606 | 1.581536 | 1.20 | 0.230 | -1.208934 | 5.012146 |
| _IidXlnTC_18 | 2.237671 | 1.575155 | 1.42 | 0.156 | -. 8603202 | 5.335661 |
| _IidXlnTC_19 | -. 2030253 | 1.564389 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -3.279841 | 2.873791 |
| _IidXlnTC_20 | . 506868 | 1.568523 | 0.32 | 0.747 | -2.578079 | 3.591815 |
| _IidXlnTC_21 | 1.365406 | 1.556177 | 0.88 | 0.381 | -1.695258 | 4.42607 |
| lnRISKTL2 | 1.150661 | 1.75828 | 0.65 | 0.513 | -2.307498 | 4.608819 |
| _IidXlnRI_2 | 2.499549 | 2.526616 | 0.99 | 0.323 | -2.469761 | 7.468859 |
| IidXlnRI_3 | -2.082396 | 2.493124 | -0.84 | 0.404 | -6.985834 | 2.821041 |
| _IidXlnRI_4 | 1.144597 | 2.47226 | 0.46 | 0.644 | -3.717806 | 6.007 |
| _IidXlnRI_5 | . 1990562 | 2.427103 | 0.08 | 0.935 | -4.574532 | 4.972645 |
| _IidXlnRI_6 | -2.822244 | 2.492679 | -1.13 | 0.258 | -7.724807 | 2.08032 |
| _IidXlnRI_7 | -2.172722 | 2.50419 | -0.87 | 0.386 | -7.097925 | 2.752481 |
| _IidXlnRI_8 | -2.454418 | 2.532909 | -0.97 | 0.333 | -7.436105 | 2.527269 |
| IidXlnRI_9 | 5.426003 | 2.475843 | 2.19 | 0.029 | . 5565537 | 10.29545 |
| _IidXlnRI_10 | -. 1651862 | 2.588172 | -0.06 | 0.949 | -5.255562 | 4.92519 |
| _IidXlnRI_11 | -5.253176 | 2.480045 | -2.12 | 0.035 | -10.13089 | -. 3754614 |
| _IidXlnRI_12 | -5.408094 | 2.6618 | -2.03 | 0.043 | -10.64328 | -. 1729064 |
| _IidXlnRI_13 | -3.498098 | 2.492013 | -1.40 | 0.161 | -8.399351 | 1.403156 |
| _IidXlnRI_14 | -1.598148 | 2.488449 | -0.64 | 0.521 | -6.492391 | 3.296095 |
| _IidXlnRI_15 | -4.969254 | 2.460031 | -2.02 | 0.044 | -9.807605 | -. 130904 |
| _IidXlnRI_16 | . 4780089 | 2.564217 | 0.19 | 0.852 | -4.565254 | 5.521272 |
| _IidXlnRI_17 | -7.920547 | 2.580239 | -3.07 | 0.002 | -12.99532 | -2.845773 |
| _IidXlnRI_18 | -. 3090946 | 2.460567 | -0.13 | 0.900 | -5.148499 | 4.53031 |
| _IidXlnRI_19 | -2.540486 | 2.475178 | -1.03 | 0.305 | -7.408628 | 2.327656 |
| _IidXlnRI_20 | 2.304269 | 2.466298 | 0.93 | 0.351 | -2.546407 | 7.154945 |
| _IidXlnRI_21 | -. 6061853 | 2.484125 | -0.24 | 0.807 | -5.491924 | 4.279554 |
| _cons | -. 0000725 | 4.156601 | -0.00 | 1.000 | -8.175212 | 8.175067 |
| sigma_u | 34.665942 |  |  |  |  |  |
| sigma_e | . 13319495 |  |  |  |  |  |
| rho | . 99998524 | (fraction of variance due to u_i) |  |  |  |  |



Root Mean Squared Error (sigma): 0.0627

## APPENDICES OF STUDY II

Appendix II.1:
List of countries in the sample 1

| Albania | Egypt | Liberia | Senegal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Argentina | El Salvador | Lithuania | Serbia |
| Armenia | Estonia | Luxembourg | Sierra Leone |
| Australia | Fiji | Macao | Singapore |
| Austria | Finland | Malawi | Slovak Republic |
| Bahrain | France | Malaysia | Slovenia |
| Bangladesh | Gabon | Maldives | South Africa |
| Barbados | Gambia, The | Mali | Spain |
| Belgium | Germany | Malta | Sri Lanka |
| Belize | Ghana | Mauritania | Sudan |
| Benin | Greece | Mauritius | Swaziland |
| Bolivia | Guatemala | Mexico | Sweden |
| Botswana | Honduras | Moldova | Switzerland |
| Brazil | Hong Kong | Mongolia | Syria |
| Brunei | Hungary | Morocco | Taiwan |
| Bulgaria | Iceland | Mozambique | Tajikistan |
| Burundi | India | Namibia | Tanzania |
| Cambodia | Indonesia | Nepal | Thailand |
| Cameroon | Iran | Netherlands | Togo |
| Canada | Iraq | New Zealand | Trinidad \&Tobago |
| Cen. African Rep. | Ireland | Niger | Tunisia |
| Chile | Israel | Norway | Turkey |
| China | Italy | Pakistan | Uganda |
| Colombia | Jamaica | Panama | Ukraine |
| Congo, Dem. Rep. | Japan | Paraguay | United Kingdom |
| Congo, Republic of | Jordan | Peru | United States |
| Costa Rica | Kazakhstan | Philippines | Uruguay |
| Cote d'Ivoire | Kenya | Poland | Venezuela |
| Croatia | Korea | Portugal | Vietnam |
| Cyprus | Kuwait | Qatar | Yemen |
| Czech Republic | Kyrgyzstan | Romania | Zambia |
| Denmark | Laos | Russia | Zimbabwe |
| Dominican Rep. | Latvia | Rwanda |  |
| Ecuador | Lesotho | Saudi Arabia |  |

*Sample 2 consists of the countries in Sample 1 excepting Bahrain, Gabon, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

Appendix II.2:
List of sub-Saharan African countries

| Burundi | Mauritania |
| :--- | :--- |
| Benin | Mauritius |
| Botswana | Malawi |
| Cen. African Rep. | Namibia |
| Cote d`Ivoire | Niger |
| Cameroon | Rwanda |
| Congo, Dem. Rep. | Sudan |
| Congo, Republic of | Senegal |
| Gabon | Sierra Leone |
| Ghana | Swaziland |
| Gambia, The | Togo |
| Kenya | Tanzania |
| Liberia | Uganda |
| Lesotho | South Africa |
| Mali | Zambia |
| Mozambique | Zimbabwe |

Appendix II.3:
List of East Asian countries

| Brunei | Macao |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cambodia | Malaysia |
| China | Mongolia |
| Fiji | Philippines |
| Hong Kong | Singapore |
| Indonesia | Taiwan |
| Korea | Thailand |
| Laos | Vietnam |

Appendix II.4: Experiment instrument sets in the SGMM2R estimation - Sample 2

| Instrument set |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. 'Collapse' the standard instrument set (used in the SGMM2R regression in Table II.4.1) | Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 47$ |
| 2. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \ln s_{i, t-2}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\quad \Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \quad \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \quad \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.03 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.57 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 85$ |
| 3. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-3}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.33 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.99 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(a)}: 123$ |
| 4. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2} \quad \ldots \quad \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \quad \ln s_{i, t-2} \quad \ldots \quad \ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right) \ldots \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-1}$ $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-1}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-1}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i t}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.96 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 1.00 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 157$ |
| 5. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \ln s_{i, t-3}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\quad \Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \quad \Delta \ln s_{i, t-2}, \quad \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.18 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.93 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 77$ |
| 6. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-3}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-4}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-2}$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-2}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-2}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.21 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.38 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}: 111$ |
| 7. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}, \ln s_{i, t-4}, \ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ and as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\quad \Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \quad \Delta \ln s_{i, t-3}, \quad \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-2}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.01 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.19 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 69 |
| 8. Use $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln (Y / L)_{i, t-5}, \ln s_{i, t-4}$ and $\ln s_{i, t-5}$, $\ln \left(n_{i, t-4}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\ln \left(n_{i, t-5}+g+\delta\right)$, and $\ln h_{i, t-3}$ $\ln h_{i, t-4}$ as instruments for first differenced equations; combined with $\Delta \ln (Y / L)_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln s_{i, t-3}, \Delta \ln \left(n_{i, t-3}+g+\delta\right)$ and $\Delta \ln h_{i, t-1}$ as instruments for level equations. | Hansen (p-value): 0.15 <br> Dif. Hansen (p-value): 0.26 <br> No. of instr. ${ }^{(\mathrm{a})}$ : 99 |

(a) The number of instruments used for endogenous and predetermined variables.

## Appendix II.5: STATA output - POLS, WG, DGMM2R_SIS and SGMM2R_SIS

## regressions of the HCASM - Sample 1


(Std. Err. adjusted for 134 clusters in id)

| ln_y | Robust |  |  | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf | Interval] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 7697616 | . 0346472 | 22.22 | 0.000 | . 7012309 | . 8382924 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 088309 | . 0247636 | 3.57 | 0.001 | . 0393276 | . 1372905 |
| ln_ngd | -. 1089469 | . 0304793 | -3.57 | 0.000 | -. 1692338 | -. 04866 |
| ln_h | -. 0928876 | . 0355852 | -2.61 | 0.010 | -. 1632736 | -. 0225015 |
| _Iperiod_2 | -. 2608081 | . 0660243 | -3.95 | 0.000 | -. 3914016 | -. 1302146 |
| _Iperiod_3 | -. 2607078 | . 0571316 | -4.56 | 0.000 | -. 373712 | -. 147703 |


| _Iperiod_4 | -. 1894486 | . 052112 | -3.64 | 0.000 | -. 292524 | -. 0863732 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iperiod_5 | -. 1356123 | . 0466465 | -2.91 | 0.004 | -. 2278773 | -. 0433473 |
| _Iperiod_6 | -. 1420974 | . 0370872 | -3.83 | 0.000 | -. 2154545 | -. 0687404 |
| _Iperiod_7 | -. 1137364 | . 0317811 | -3.58 | 0.000 | -. 1765981 | -. 0508747 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 1843301 | . 0270859 | -6.81 | 0.000 | -. 237905 | -. 1307551 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 1088204 | . 0245203 | -4.44 | 0.000 | -. 1573206 | -. 0603202 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 147929 | . 0320148 | -4.62 | 0.000 | -. 2112531 | -. 0846049 |
| _Iperiod_11 | -. 0413566 | . 0159542 | -2.59 | 0.011 | -. 0729133 | -. 0097999 |
| _Iperiod_12 | -. 006229 | . 011463 | -0.54 | 0.588 | -. 0289024 | . 0164445 |
| _Iperiod_13 | (omitted) |  |  |  |  |  |
| _cons | 2.373023 | . 4255527 | 5.58 | 0.000 | 1.531297 | 3.21475 |
| sigma_u | . 31316605 |  |  |  |  |  |
| sigma_e | . 14671756 |  |  |  |  |  |
| rho | . 82001489 | (fraction | vari | e due | u_i) |  |

## / /DGMM2R_SIS

Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted) Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations. Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.

Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step difference GMM


[^11]```
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed)
    L(1/12).ln_h
    L(2/12).(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
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Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.37 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.018$
Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.89 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.371$
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(238) $=508.13$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$
(Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(238) $=128.44$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$
(Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(2 .))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(62) $=74.96$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.125$
Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2(176) = 53.48 Prob > chi2 = 1.000
gmm(ln_h, lag(1.))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(172) $=127.57$ Prob > chi2 $=0.995$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(66) $=0.87$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$
iv(_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13)
Hansen test excluding group: $\operatorname{chi2(227)}=126 . \overline{0} 2$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$
Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2(11) $=2.42$ Prob > chi2 = 0.996
//SGMM2R SIS
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total
number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous
variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)
Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor
space , perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations.
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for two-
step estimation.
Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM



## Appendix II.6: STATA output - DGMM2R_IS4, SGMM2R_IS3, SGMM2R_IS6,

## LSDVC1 and LSDVC2 regressions of the HCASM with valid instrument sets -

## Sample1



Instruments for first differences equation
Standard
D. (_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13)
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(1/3).ln_h $\mathrm{L}(2 / 4)$. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

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Arellano-Bond test for AR(1) in first differences: z = -2.20 Pr > z = 0.028
Arellano-Bond test for AR(2) in first differences: z = 1.02 Pr > z = 0.307
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(110) = 388.04 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(110) = 116.77 Prob > chi2 = 0.311
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
```


D. ln_h
DL. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.55 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.011$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.77 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.442$

```
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) = 435.57 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
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    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
    Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=126.91$ Prob > chi2 $=0.271$
(Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=94.00$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.079$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (42) $=32.91$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.841$
gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(2 3))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(28) $=40.36$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.061$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (90) $=86.55$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.583$
gmm(ln_h, lag(1 2))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(86) $=104.85$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.082$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(32) $=22.05$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.906$
iv (_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(107) $=115.10$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.279$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(11) $=11.81$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.378$
/ /SGMM2R_IS6
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total
number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous
variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)
Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: matà set matafavor
space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for two-
step estimation.
Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM


| _Iperiod_10 | -.0662208 | .025535 | -2.59 | 0.011 | -.116728 | -.0157136 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| -Iperiod_11 | .0199016 | .0184698 | 1.08 | 0.283 | -.016631 | .0564342 |
| -Iperiod_12 | .0238217 | .0134517 | 1.77 | 0.079 | -.0027852 | .0504287 |
| __cons | .0974066 | .1690253 | 0.58 | 0.565 | -.2369189 | .4317322 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation Standard
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.51 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.012$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.78 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.438$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=350.80$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=114.27$ Prob > chi2 = 0.274 (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) $=75.55$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.222$
Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2 (39) $=38.72$ Prob > chi2 $=0.482$
gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) $=41.26$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.029$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (80) $=73.01$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.697$
gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=95.52$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.065$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (30) $=18.76$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.945$
iv (_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(95) $=103.58$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.257$
Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2 (11) $=10.70$ Prob > chi2 = 0.469
/ /LSDVC1
Note: Bias correction initialized by matrix my
note: Bias correction up to order O(1/T)
LSDVC dynamic regression
(bootstrapped SE)

| ln_y | Coef. | Std. Err. | z | $P>\|z\|$ | [95\% Conf. Interval] |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 997312 | . 02138 | 46.65 | 0.000 | . 9554081 | 1.039216 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 0822984 | . 0342961 | 2.40 | 0.016 | . 0150794 | . 1495175 |
| ln_ngd | -. 1194262 | . 0377542 | -3.16 | 0.002 | -. 1934231 | -. 0454293 |
| ln_h | -. 0327408 | . 0694815 | -0.47 | 0.637 | -. 1689221 | . 1034405 |
| p2 | . 0619562 | . 1003738 | 0.62 | 0.537 | -. 1347727 | . 2586852 |
| p3 | . 0237736 | . 093518 | 0.25 | 0.799 | -. 1595183 | . 2070655 |
| p4 | . 0537474 | . 0835714 | 0.64 | 0.520 | -. 1100494 | . 2175443 |
| p5 | . 0618511 | . 0763734 | 0.81 | 0.418 | -. 0878381 | . 2115403 |
| p6 | . 0009461 | . 0683759 | 0.01 | 0.989 | -. 1330682 | . 1349604 |
| p7 | -. 0024849 | . 0613415 | -0.04 | 0.968 | -. 1227121 | . 1177423 |
| p8 | -. 1076069 | . 0533309 | -2.02 | 0.044 | -. 2121335 | -. 0030802 |
| p9 | -. 0384971 | . 048259 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -. 133083 | . 0560888 |



## Appendix II.7: STATA output - SGMM2R_IS6 regression of the HCASM -

## Sample 2

Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted) Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM


Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h $\mathrm{L}(3 / 4)$. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.34 \mathrm{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.020$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=-0.79 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.430$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=324.28$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$
(Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)

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Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 117.75 Prob > chi2 = 0.205
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
    GMM instruments for levels
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) = 76.66 Prob > chi2 = 0.196
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(39) = 41.09 Prob > chi2 = 0.379
    gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) = 41.47 Prob > chi2 = 0.028
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(80) = 76.27 Prob > chi2 = 0.597
    gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) = 99.71 Prob > chi2 = 0.035
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(30) = 18.04 Prob > chi2 = 0.958
    iv(_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(95) = 109.94 Prob > chi2 = 0.140
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(11) = 7.81 Prob > chi2 = 0.730
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## Appendix II.8: STATA output - SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the

## HCASM with SSA and EA dummies - Sample 1

//SGMM2R_IS3
/*The HCASM with SSA dummy*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations.
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM



| ln_y | Coef. | Corrected Std. Err. | t | P>\|t| | [95\% Conf. Interval] |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9567263 | . 0168782 | 56.68 | 0.000 | . 9233419 | . 9901107 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 1001575 | . 0299246 | 3.35 | 0.001 | . 0409678 | . 1593472 |
| ln_ngd | -. 2195427 | . 0630245 | -3.48 | 0.001 | -. 3442026 | -. 0948827 |
| ln_h | . 0229296 | . 0289174 | 0.79 | 0.429 | -. 034268 | . 0801271 |
| ea | . 0647104 | . 0260391 | 2.49 | 0.014 | . 0132061 | . 1162146 |
| _Iperiod_2 | . 0767372 | . 0268392 | 2.86 | 0.005 | . 0236503 | . 129824 |
| _Iperiod_3 | . 0392211 | . 0224265 | 1.75 | 0.083 | -. 0051376 | . 0835798 |
| _Iperiod_4 | . 0908212 | . 0207663 | 4.37 | 0.000 | . 0497464 | . 1318961 |
| _Iperiod_5 | . 0990942 | . 0240864 | 4.11 | 0.000 | . 0514522 | . 1467362 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 0438772 | . 0224017 | 1.96 | 0.052 | -. 0004325 | . 0881868 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 037681 | . 0217402 | 1.73 | 0.085 | -. 0053202 | . 0806822 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 077437 | . 0184685 | -4.19 | 0.000 | -. 113967 | -. 040907 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 0047241 | . 017531 | -0.27 | 0.788 | -. 0393999 | . 0299516 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0899499 | . 0271746 | -3.31 | 0.001 | -. 1437002 | -. 0361996 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0124936 | . 0181104 | 0.69 | 0.491 | -. 023328 | . 0483153 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0173034 | . 0148761 | 1.16 | 0.247 | -. 012121 | . 0467278 |
| _cons | . 020034 | . 1666358 | 0.12 | 0.904 | -. 3095653 | . 3496332 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(1/2).ln_h L(2/3). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) D. 1 n_h
DL. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.55 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.011$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.75 \mathrm{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.454$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=420.09$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$
(Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=126.77$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.274$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=93.60$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.083$
Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2 (42) $=33.17$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.833$
gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(2 3))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(28) $=41.11$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.053$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (90) $=85.66$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.610$
gmm(ln_h, lag(1 2))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(86) $=105.29$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.077$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(32) $=21.48$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.921$
iv(ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_1 1 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(106) $=114.78$ Prob > chi2 $=0.263$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(12) $=11.99$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.447$
/*The HCASM with SSA and EA dummies*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.


Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(1/2).ln_h L(2/3). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard ssa ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) D.ln_h DL. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.53 \mathrm{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.011$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.75 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.453$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=428.56$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=126.35$ Prob > chi2 $=0.283$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets: GMM instruments for levels


Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3). ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation


| _Iperiod_4 | . 1095891 | . 0253987 | 4.31 | 0.000 | . 0593516 | . 1598267 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iperiod_5 | . 1155259 | . 028694 | 4.03 | 0.000 | . 0587703 | . 1722815 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 0479797 | . 0217407 | 2.21 | 0.029 | . 0049774 | . 0909819 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0360528 | . 0208777 | 1.73 | 0.087 | -. 0052426 | . 0773481 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0696327 | . 0211108 | -3.30 | 0.001 | -. 1113891 | -. 0278764 |
| Iperiod_9 | -. 0009688 | . 019786 | -0.05 | 0.961 | -. 0401048 | . 0381671 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0702431 | . 0256444 | -2.74 | 0.007 | -. 1209668 | -. 0195194 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 017083 | . 0179606 | 0.95 | 0.343 | -. 0184423 | . 0526083 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0218215 | . 0131614 | 1.66 | 0.100 | -. 0042113 | . 0478544 |
| _cons | . 0531623 | . 1736876 | 0.31 | 0.760 | -. 2903851 | . 3967096 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L ( $2 / 3$ ). ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $A R(1)$ in first differences: $2=-2.50$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.77 \operatorname{Pr}>z=$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=347.61$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=114.37$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.272$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) $=75.31$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.227$ Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2(39) = 39.06 Prob > chi2 = 0.467 gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) $=42.30$ Prob > chi2 $=0.023$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (80) $=72.07$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.724$ gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=97.06$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.052$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (30) $=17.31$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.969$ iv(ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(94) $=103.90$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.228$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(12) $=10.47$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.575$
/*The HCASM with SSA and EA dummies*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM

| Group variable: id | Number of obs | $=$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Time variable : period | Number of groups | $=$ |


| Number of instruments $=124$ |  |  |  | Obs per group: |  | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 8.73 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{F}(17,133)$ | 1401.92 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prob > F | 0.000 |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |
|  |  | Correcte |  | P>\|t| | [95\% Conf. Interval] |  |  |
| ln_y | Coef | Std. Er | t |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9528508 | . 0161521 | 58.99 | 0.000 | . 9209027 | . 984799 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 0761813 | . 0276202 | 2.76 | 0.007 | . 0215497 |  | 08129 |
| ln_ngd | -. 1210238 | . 0756872 | -1.60 | 0.112 | -. 2707301 |  | 86825 |
| ln_h | . 0353268 | . 0324488 | 1.09 | 0.278 | -. 0288557 |  | 95093 |
| ssa | -. 0567555 | . 0256735 | -2.21 | 0.029 | -. 1075368 | -. 0 | 59743 |
| ea | . 0449592 | . 024996 | 1.80 | 0.074 | -. 0044818 |  | 44003 |
| Iperiod_2 | . 0839192 | . 031492 | 2.66 | 0.009 | . 0216293 |  | 62092 |
| Iperiod_3 | . 0467064 | . 0283078 | 1.65 | 0.101 | -. 0092853 |  | 26982 |
| Iperiod_4 | . 0972525 | . 0259605 | 3.75 | 0.000 | . 0459036 |  | 86015 |
| Iperiod_5 | . 1056953 | . 0281712 | 3.75 | 0.000 | . 0499737 |  | 61417 |
| Iperiod_6 | . 0405524 | . 0216941 | 1.87 | 0.064 | -. 0023577 |  | 834625 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0292567 | . 0208935 | 1.40 | 0.164 | -. 0120699 |  | 05833 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0715881 | . 0207578 | -3.45 | 0.001 | -. 1126463 | -. 0 | 05299 |
| Iperiod_9 | -. 0063304 | . 0205824 | -0.31 | 0.759 | -. 0470415 |  | 343807 |
| Iperiod_10 | -. 0721553 | . 0269139 | -2.68 | 0.008 | -. 1253 | -. 0 | 89206 |
| Iperiod_11 | . 014033 | . 018759 | 0.75 | 0.456 | -. 023071 |  | 11375 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 021175 | . 0130222 | 1.63 | 0.106 | -. 0045825 |  | 69325 |
| _cons | . 2732402 | . 2268011 | 1.20 | 0.230 | -. 1753635 |  | 21844 |
| Instruments for first differences equation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ```GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments L(2/3).ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)``` |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Instruments for levels equation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for ea |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.51 \operatorname{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.012$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.77 \operatorname{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.442$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=348.79$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=114.84$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.262$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GMM instruments for levels |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen te | excluding | roup: | 22 (67) | 75 | Prob > | $=$ | 0.215 |
| Differenc | (null H = | genous) : | 2 (39) | $=39$. | Prob > | $2=$ | 0.469 |
| gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4)) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen te | excluding | roup: | 2(26) | $=42$ | Prob > | $=$ | 0.023 |
| gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3)) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen te | excluding | soup: | 2(76) | $=94$ | Prob > | $=$ | 0.070 |
| Differenc | (null H = | genous) : | i2 (30) | $=19$ | Prob > | $2=$ | 0.918 |
| iv(ssa ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ```_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level))``` |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen test excluding group: |  |  | 2 (93) | $=104$ | Prob > |  | 0.186 |
| Differenc | (null H = | genous) : | 2(13) | $=9$ | Prob > | $2=$ | 0.705 |

## Appendix II.9: STATA output - SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the HCASM with SSA

and EA dummies - Sample 2
/*The HCASM with SSA dummy*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM


Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h
L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard ssa _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2.(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.39 \mathrm{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.017$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=-0.78 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.434$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=315.59$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=117.66$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.207$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets: GMM instruments for levels Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) $=75.80$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.216$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(39) $=41.86$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.348$ gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) $=42.20$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.023$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (80) $=75.46$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.623$ gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=98.08$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.045$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (30) $=19.58$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.927$
iv(ssa _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(94) $=107.31$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.164$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (12) $=10.35$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.585$
/*The HCASM with EA dummy*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM

| Group variable: id |  |  |  | Numbe | $f$ obs | 1114 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time variable : period |  |  |  | Numbe | f groups | 127 |
| Number of instruments $=123$ |  |  |  | Obs p | group: min | 3 |
| $\mathrm{F}(16,126)=1342.60$ |  |  |  |  | avg | 8.77 |
| Prob > F | 0.000 |  |  |  | max | 12 |
| ln_y |  | Corrected |  |  |  |  |
|  | Coef. | Std. Err. | t | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf | Interval] |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9868521 | . 0132595 | 74.43 | 0.000 | . 9606119 | 1.013092 |
| ln_s | . 0676092 | . 0275091 | 2.46 | 0.015 | . 0131695 | . 1220489 |
| ln_ngd | . 0225654 | . 0525235 | 0.43 | 0.668 | -. 081377 | . 1265078 |
| ln_h | . 0466407 | . 034919 | 1.34 | 0.184 | -. 022463 | . 1157443 |
| ea | . 0514244 | . 0214913 | 2.39 | 0.018 | . 0088939 | . 093955 |
| _Iperiod_2 | . 1246037 | . 0319655 | 3.90 | 0.000 | . 0613449 | . 1878625 |
| _Iperiod_3 | . 081403 | . 0261391 | 3.11 | 0.002 | . 0296745 | . 1331316 |
| _Iperiod_4 | . 1178135 | . 0258386 | 4.56 | 0.000 | . 0666797 | . 1689474 |
| _Iperiod_5 | . 1266375 | . 0298628 | 4.24 | 0.000 | . 0675399 | . 1857351 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 042677 | . 022192 | 1.92 | 0.057 | -. 0012404 | . 0865943 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 032459 | . 0225166 | 1.44 | 0.152 | -. 0121008 | . 0770187 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0532998 | . 0197573 | -2.70 | 0.008 | -. 0923989 | -. 0142007 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 0179529 | . 0191372 | -0.94 | 0.350 | -. 055825 | . 0199191 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0723104 | . 0248493 | -2.91 | 0.004 | -. 1214864 | -. 0231344 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0059824 | . 0160541 | 0.37 | 0.710 | -. 0257882 | . 0377529 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0251703 | . 0136763 | 1.84 | 0.068 | -. 0018948 | . 0522353 |
| _cons | . 2930731 | . 1561005 | 1.88 | 0.063 | -. 0158452 | . 6019915 |



| ln_ngd | . 0442322 | 0586742 | 0.75 | 0.452 | -. 0718822 | 1603466 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ln_h | . 04451 | . 0328336 | 1.36 | 0.178 | -. 0204667 | 1094867 |
| ssa | -. 0596411 | . 0248332 | -2.40 | 0.018 | . 1087854 | -. 0104969 |
|  | 030376 | . 0223703 | 1.36 | 0.177 | -. 0138943 | . 0746462 |
| period_2 | . 1084335 | . 029345 | 3.70 | 0.000 | . 0503606 | 1665063 |
| period_3 | . 0643208 | . 0259142 | 2.48 | 0.014 | . 0130374 | 1156043 |
| Iperiod_4 | . 1036042 | . 0254833 | 4.07 | 0.000 | . 0531736 | . 1540349 |
| Iperiod_5 | . 1156804 | . 0291652 | 3.97 | 0.000 | . 0579634 | 1733974 |
| period_6 | . 0324907 | . 0222038 | 1.46 | 0.146 | -. 011450 | 0764314 |
| period_7 | . 0221485 | . 022874 | 0.97 | 0.335 | -. 0231185 | . 0674155 |
| Iperiod_8 | . 0560744 | . 0198646 | -2.82 | 0.006 | 0953858 | -. 0167629 |
| Iperiod_9 | . 0222966 | . 0194649 | -1.15 | 0.254 | 060817 | . 0162239 |
| Iperiod_10 | -. 0716756 | . 0256419 | -2.8 | 0.006 | -. 122420 | . 020931 |
| eriod_11 | . 0038915 | . 01636 | 0.24 | 0.812 | . 028484 | 0362674 |
| period_12 | . 0243638 | . 0135341 | 1. | 0.074 | -. 0024197 | 0511473 |
| cons | . 5069721 | . 1974733 | 2.57 | 0.011 | 1161783 | 897766 |
| ```Instruments for first differences equation GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(2/3).ln_h L(3/4).(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)``` |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ```Instruments for Standard ssa ea _Ip _Iperiod_8 _cons GMM-type (mi DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y``` | levels equ <br> riod_2 _Ipe <br> _Iperiod_9 <br> ing=0, sep <br> n_s ln_ngd) | ion <br> od_3 _Ipe period_10 <br> ate instr | d_4 <br> Iperiod <br> ents for | riod_ 1 _Ip each | Iperiod_6 od_12 _Ipe <br> iod unless | period_7 <br> od_13 <br> ollapsed) |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { rellano-Bond } \\ & \text { rellano-Bond } \end{aligned}$ | t for A <br> t for A | $\begin{aligned} & \text { in firs } \\ & \text { in firs } \end{aligned}$ |  | : z | $\begin{array}{ll} 2.35 & P \\ 0.78 & P \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =0.019 \\ & =0.436 \end{aligned}$ |
| Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=315.77$ Prob > chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=115.41$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.250$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GMM instruments for levels |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen tes | excluding | oup: | 2 (67) | 76 | Prob > | 0.203 |
| Difference gmm(ln_y ln | $\begin{gathered} \text { (null } H=e \\ \text { ln_ngd, la } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { genous) : } \\ & 3 \text { 4)) } \end{aligned}$ | i2 (39) | $=35$ | Prob > | $=0.467$ |
| Hansen tes | excluding | oup: | 2 (26) | 43 | Prob > | 0.018 |
| gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3)) |  |  |  |  |  | $=0.722$ |
| Hansen tes | excluding | oup: | $2(76)$ | - 98 | Prob > | 0.043 |
| Difference | (null H = ex | genous) : | 2(30) | $=17$ | Prob > | $=0.972$ |
| iv(ssa ea _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hansen test excluding group: |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2(93) \\ & 2(13) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} =106 \\ =\quad 9 . \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Prob > } \\ & \text { Prob > } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =0.163 \\ & =0.766 \end{aligned}$ |

## Appendix II.10: STATA output - Two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 - Sample 1




```
// Two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS6
/*Step1*/
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)
Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor
space, perm.
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
    Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for two-
step estimation.
    Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM
```



```
Instruments for first differences equation
    GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed)
        L(2/3).ln_h
        L(3/4).(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
    Standard
        _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
        _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13
            _cons
    GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed)
        DL.ln_h
        DL2.(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Arellano-Bond test for AR(1) in first differences: z = -2.51 Pr > z = 0.012
Arellano-Bond test for AR(2) in first differences: z = 0.78 Pr > z = 0.438
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 350.80 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 114.27 Prob > chi2 = 0.274
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
    GMM instruments for levels
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) = 75.55 Prob > chi2 = 0.222
```



## Appendix II.11: STATA output - Two-step procedure using SGMM2R_IS6

## - Sample 2




## Appendix II.12: STATA output - SGMM2R_IS3 and SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the HCASM with SSA and EA dummies and interactions SSAP and EAP - Sample 1



Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed)


| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| L1. | . 9571003 | . 0161086 | 59.42 | 0.000 | . 9252382 | . 9889625 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 0943832 | . 02717 | 3.47 | 0.001 | . 0406421 | . 1481243 |
| ln_ngd | -. 2365492 | . 0547604 | -4.32 | 0.000 | -. 3448631 | -. 1282353 |
| ln_h | . 0171147 | . 0293038 | 0.58 | 0.560 | -. 0408471 | . 0750764 |
| ea | . 0881995 | . 032844 | 2.69 | 0.008 | . 0232353 | . 1531637 |
| eap3 | -. 0233533 | . 0918772 | -0.25 | 0.800 | -. 2050828 | . 1583763 |
| eap4 | -. 1278697 | . 0618561 | -2.07 | 0.041 | -. 2502186 | -. 0055208 |
| eap5 | -. 0396525 | . 0678139 | -0.58 | 0.560 | -. 1737857 | . 0944807 |
| eap 6 | -. 0636569 | . 0831669 | -0.77 | 0.445 | -. 2281577 | . 1008439 |
| eap7 | -. 0288927 | . 0766445 | -0.38 | 0.707 | -. 1804924 | . 1227071 |
| eap8 | . 0497237 | . 0409802 | 1.21 | 0.227 | -. 0313336 | . 130781 |
| eap9 | . 0018238 | . 0463615 | 0.04 | 0.969 | -. 0898775 | . 0935251 |
| eap10 | . 0988027 | . 0624198 | 1.58 | 0.116 | -. 0246612 | . 2222666 |
| eap11 | -. 1095805 | . 0436375 | -2.51 | 0.013 | -. 1958937 | -. 0232673 |
| eap12 | . 0033402 | . 0169705 | 0.20 | 0.844 | -. 0302269 | . 0369073 |
| _Iperiod_2 | . 069615 | . 0268268 | 2.59 | 0.011 | . 0165526 | . 1226773 |
| _Iperiod_3 | . 0383126 | . 0251943 | 1.52 | 0.131 | -. 0115207 | . 088146 |
| _Iperiod_4 | . 0995105 | . 0231218 | 4.30 | 0.000 | . 0537764 | . 1452445 |
| _Iperiod_5 | . 0959182 | . 0222089 | 4.32 | 0.000 | . 0519899 | . 1398465 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 0467972 | . 024293 | 1.93 | 0.056 | -. 0012535 | . 0948478 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0438653 | . 0220042 | 1.99 | 0.048 | . 0003419 | . 0873887 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0868897 | . 0195725 | -4.44 | 0.000 | -. 1256035 | -. 048176 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 0101738 | . 0166216 | -0.61 | 0.542 | -. 0430507 | . 0227032 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0968527 | . 0262262 | -3.69 | 0.000 | -. 148727 | -. 0449784 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0231263 | . 0175884 | 1.31 | 0.191 | -. 0116629 | . 0579154 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0159447 | . 0146902 | 1.09 | 0.280 | -. 0131119 | . 0450013 |
| _cons | -. 0296421 | . 1635014 | -0.18 | 0.856 | -. 3530414 | . 2937573 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(1/2).ln_h
$\mathrm{L}(2 / 3)$. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ea eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12
eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) D.ln_h DL. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.55 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.011$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.71 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.481$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=417.69$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=112.18$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.634$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=87.40$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.175$ Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2 (42) $=24.78$ Prob > chi2 $=0.984$ gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(2 3))

Hansen test excluding group: chi2(28) $=41.60$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.047$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (90) $=70.58$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.935$
gmm(ln_h, lag(1 2))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(86) $=102.70$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.106$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(32) $=9.47$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$

```
    iv(ea eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8
_Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level))
    Hansen test excluding group: chi2(96) = 107.28 Prob > chi2 = 0.203
    Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(22) = 4.90 Prob > chi2 = 1.000
```

/*The HCASM with SSA, EA, SSAP and EAP*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted) Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on máta: mata set matafavor space, perm.
ssap2 dropped due to collinearity
ssap3 dropped due to collinearity
ssap13 dropped due to collinearity
eap2 dropped due to collinearity
eap13 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations. Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.

Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM

| Group variable: id |  |  |  | Numbe | $f$ obs | 1170 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time variable : period |  |  |  | Numbe | f groups | 134 |
| Number of instruments $=155$ |  |  |  | Obs p | group: min | 3 |
| $\mathrm{F}(36,133)=1141.6$ |  |  |  |  | av | 8.73 |
| Prob > F | 0.000 |  |  |  | ma | 12 |
| ln_y |  | Corrected |  |  |  |  |
|  | Coef. | Std. Err. | t | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Con | Interval] |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9440486 | . 0230319 | 40.99 | 0.000 | . 8984924 | . 9896048 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 0758957 | . 0281629 | 2.69 | 0.008 | . 0201905 | . 1316009 |
| ln_ngd | -. 1902365 | . 0640044 | -2.97 | 0.004 | -. 3168348 | -. 0636382 |
| ln_h | . 0260675 | . 0350114 | 0.74 | 0.458 | -. 0431837 | . 0953186 |
| ssa | -. 0194043 | . 0346092 | -0.56 | 0.576 | -. 08786 | . 0490514 |
| ea | . 1174195 | . 0659257 | 1.78 | 0.077 | -. 0129789 | . 2478179 |
| ssap4 | -. 0559741 | . 0496891 | -1.13 | 0.262 | -. 1542571 | . 0423089 |
| ssap5 | -. 0707453 | . 0462381 | -1.53 | 0.128 | -. 1622025 | . 0207119 |
| ssap6 | -. 0666102 | . 0466415 | -1.43 | 0.156 | -. 1588652 | . 0256449 |
| ssap7 | -. 1119356 | . 0501735 | -2.23 | 0.027 | -. 2111768 | -. 0126943 |
| ssap8 | . 0050054 | . 0499975 | 0.10 | 0.920 | -. 0938877 | . 1038986 |
| ssap9 | -. 0403042 | . 0434668 | -0.93 | 0.355 | -. 1262798 | . 0456715 |
| ssap10 | -. 0418139 | . 051086 | -0.82 | 0.415 | -. 14286 | . 0592323 |
| ssap11 | -. 0837606 | . 0430067 | -1.95 | 0.054 | -. 1688261 | . 0013049 |
| ssap12 | -. 0733667 | . 0347575 | -2.11 | 0.037 | -. 1421156 | -. 0046178 |
| eap3 | -. 0016996 | . 1779542 | -0.01 | 0.992 | -. 3536861 | . 3502868 |
| eap4 | -. 183798 | . 0805016 | -2.28 | 0.024 | -. 343027 | -. 024569 |
| eap5 | -. 0822151 | . 0861387 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -. 2525942 | . 088164 |
| eap6 | -. 0961377 | . 0923227 | -1.04 | 0.300 | -. 2787484 | . 086473 |
| eap7 | -. 076001 | . 0902997 | -0.84 | 0.401 | -. 2546103 | . 1026083 |
| eap8 | . 0085623 | . 0668337 | 0.13 | 0.898 | -. 1236322 | . 1407568 |
| eap9 | -. 0422978 | . 0703748 | -0.60 | 0.549 | -. 1814965 | . 0969009 |
| eap10 | . 0652984 | . 0733313 | 0.89 | 0.375 | -. 0797481 | . 2103448 |
| eap11 | -. 1467506 | . 069422 | -2.11 | 0.036 | -. 2840646 | -. 0094366 |
| eap12 | -. 1125601 | . 1090646 | -1.03 | 0.304 | -. 3282857 | . 1031655 |
| _Iperiod_2 | . 06985 | . 0259483 | 2.69 | 0.008 | . 0185252 | . 1211748 |


| _Iperiod_3 | . 0429499 | . 0254609 | 1.69 | 0.094 | -. 0074108 | . 0933107 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iperiod_4 | . 1050738 | . 0256286 | 4.10 | 0.000 | . 0543813 | . 1557663 |
| _Iperiod_5 | . 1126991 | . 0254437 | 4.43 | 0.000 | . 0623726 | . 1630257 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 05697 | . 0247165 | 2.30 | 0.023 | . 0080817 | . 1058583 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0656211 | . 027699 | 2.37 | 0.019 | . 0108335 | . 1204086 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0761402 | . 0229646 | -3.32 | 0.001 | -. 1215634 | -. 030717 |
| _Iperiod_9 | . 0023272 | . 0240803 | 0.10 | 0.923 | -. 0453027 | . 049957 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0752072 | . 031657 | -2.38 | 0.019 | -. 1378235 | -. 0125909 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0446751 | . 0192658 | 2.32 | 0.022 | . 0065681 | . 082782 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0492522 | . 0239344 | 2.06 | 0.042 | . 0019108 | . 0965936 |
| _cons | . 1756458 | . 2441401 | 0.72 | 0.473 | -. 3072539 | . 6585455 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L(1/2).ln_h L(2/3). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) D.ln_h DL. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.51 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.012$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.79 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.430$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=432.00$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(118) $=100.08$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.883$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=85.89$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.205$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (42) $=14.18$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$ gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(2 3)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(28) $=31.47$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.296$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (90) $=68.60$ Prob > chi2 $=0.955$ gmm(ln_h, lag(1 2)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(86) $=104.64$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.084$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(32) $=-4.57$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$ iv(ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level)) Hansen test excluding group: $\operatorname{chi2}(8 \overline{6})=96.23$ Prob $>\operatorname{chi2}=0.211$ Difference (null H = exogenous) : chi2 (32) $=3.85$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=1.000$
//SGMM2R_IS6
/*The HCASM with SSA and SSAP*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted) Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
ssap2 dropped due to collinearity
ssap3 dropped due to collinearity
ssap13 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM

| Group variable: id |  |  |  | Numbe | f obs | 1170 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time variable : period |  |  |  | Numbe | f groups | 134 |
| Number of instruments $=132$ |  |  |  | Obs p | group: min | 3 |
| $\mathrm{F}(25,133)=1728$ |  |  |  |  | avg | 8.73 |
| Prob > F | 0.000 |  |  |  | max | 12 |
|  | Coef. | Corrected Std. Err | t | $P>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf | Interval] |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9403775 | . 0183194 | 51.33 | 0.000 | . 9041425 | . 9766125 |
| ln_s | . 0818259 | . 0224134 | 3.65 | 0.000 | . 0374931 | . 1261586 |
| ln_ngd | -. 0834997 | . 0675402 | -1.24 | 0.219 | -. 2170917 | . 0500922 |
| ln_h | . 0555984 | . 0385557 | 1.44 | 0.152 | -. 0206632 | . 13186 |
| ssa | -. 0363492 | . 0330801 | -1.10 | 0.274 | -. 1017803 | . 029082 |
| ssap4 | -. 0247123 | . 050704 | -0.49 | 0.627 | -. 1250028 | . 0755783 |
| ssap5 | -. 0312887 | . 0520259 | -0.60 | 0.549 | -. 1341939 | . 0716165 |
| ssap6 | -. 0584573 | . 0469083 | -1.25 | 0.215 | -. 1512402 | . 0343255 |
| ssap7 | -. 11691 | . 0509311 | -2.30 | 0.023 | -. 2176497 | -. 0161704 |
| ssap8 | . 0066889 | . 0453822 | 0.15 | 0.883 | -. 0830753 | . 0964532 |
| ssap9 | -. 0116724 | . 0419211 | -0.28 | 0.781 | -. 0945908 | . 071246 |
| ssap10 | -. 0764421 | . 0491255 | -1.56 | 0.122 | -. 1736104 | . 0207262 |
| ssap11 | -. 0583116 | . 0415945 | -1.40 | 0.163 | -. 140584 | . 0239608 |
| ssap12 | -. 0650127 | . 0310074 | -2.10 | 0.038 | -. 1263442 | -. 0036811 |
| _Iperiod_2 | . 1002566 | . 0295882 | 3.39 | 0.001 | . 0417323 | . 158781 |
| _Iperiod_3 | . 0609134 | . 0259426 | 2.35 | 0.020 | . 0096001 | . 1122268 |
| _Iperiod_4 | . 1126172 | . 0245724 | 4.58 | 0.000 | . 0640139 | . 1612204 |
| _Iperiod_5 | . 1233092 | . 0281904 | 4.37 | 0.000 | . 0675497 | . 1790687 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 0568619 | . 0227287 | 2.50 | 0.014 | . 0119054 | . 1018183 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0488026 | . 0236011 | 2.07 | 0.041 | . 0021205 | . 0954847 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0780589 | . 0218905 | -3.57 | 0.001 | -. 1213575 | -. 0347604 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 0088402 | . 0206928 | -0.43 | 0.670 | -. 0497698 | . 0320895 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0515753 | . 0272125 | -1.90 | 0.060 | -. 1054006 | . 0022501 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0243368 | . 0171808 | 1.42 | 0.159 | -. 0096462 | . 0583198 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0368626 | . 0155101 | 2.38 | 0.019 | . 0061842 | . 0675409 |
| _cons | . 4660217 | . 2255757 | 2.07 | 0.041 | . 0198416 | . 9122018 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ssa ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10
ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5
_Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.56 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.011$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.87 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.385$

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Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 350.77 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 113.91 Prob > chi2 = 0.282
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
    GMM instruments for levels
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) = 77.64 Prob > chi2 = 0.176
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(39) = 36.28 Prob > chi2 = 0.595
    gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) = 30.87 Prob > chi2 = 0.233
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(80) = 83.04 Prob > chi2 = 0.386
    gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) = 88.42 Prob > chi2 = 0.156
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(30) = 25.49 Prob > chi2 = 0.701
    iv(ssa ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11 ssap12
ssap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7
_Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13,
eq(level))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(85) = 97.37 Prob > chi2 = 0.169
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(21) = 16.54 Prob > chi2 = 0.738
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/*The HCASM with EA and EAP*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total
number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous
variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)
Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor
space, perm.
eap2 dropped due to collinearity
eap13 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for two-
step estimation.
Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM


| eap12 | .0083604 | .025515 | 0.33 | 0.744 | -.0421072 | .058828 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| -Iperiod_2 | .0850859 | .0319526 | 2.66 | 0.009 | .0218848 | .148287 |
| -Iperiod_3 | .055 | .0321888 | 1.71 | 0.090 | -.0086682 | .1186681 |
| -Iperiod_4 | .1061222 | .0313713 | 3.38 | 0.001 | .044071 | .1681734 |
| -Iperiod_5 | .1060304 | .0346422 | 3.06 | 0.003 | .0375094 | .1745513 |
| -Iperiod_6 | .0463959 | .0241237 | 1.92 | 0.057 | -.0013199 | .0941117 |
| -Iperiod_7 | .0233487 | .0248503 | 0.94 | 0.349 | -.0258044 | .0725017 |
| -Iperiod_8 | -.0835545 | .0268892 | -3.11 | 0.002 | -.1367403 | -.0303688 |
| -Iperiod_9 | -.0062655 | .0214544 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -.0487015 | .0361706 |
| -Iperiod_10 | -.0839688 | .0287612 | -2.92 | 0.004 | -.1408573 | -.0270804 |
| -Iperiod_11 | .0216805 | .0178901 | 1.21 | 0.228 | -.0137055 | .0570665 |
| -Iperiod_12 | .0130359 | .0158141 | 0.82 | 0.411 | -.0182437 | .0443155 |
| _cons | .0240889 | .1729895 | 0.14 | 0.889 | -.3180776 | .3662555 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ea eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.52 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.012$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=0.73 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.464$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=343.47$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$ (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=104.15$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.533$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) $=72.89$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.291$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2(39) $=31.26$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.807$ gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) $=40.59$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.034$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (80) $=63.56$ Prob > chi2 $=0.911$ gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3)) Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) $=91.43$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.109$ Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (30) $=12.71$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.998$ iv(ea eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8
_Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(84) $=91.56$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.268$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (22) $=12.59$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.944$
/*The HCASM with SSA, EA, SSAP and EAP*/
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
ssap2 dropped due to collinearity
ssap3 dropped due to collinearity
ssap13 dropped due to collinearity
eap2 dropped due to collinearity
eap13 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations. Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.

Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM


Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L ( $2 / 3$ ). ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation

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    Standard
        ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10
        ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9
        eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5
        _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11
        _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13
        _cons
    GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed)
    DL.ln_h
    DL2.(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Arellano-Bond test for AR(1) in first differences: z = -2.53 Pr > z = 0.011
Arellano-Bond test for AR(2) in first differences: z = 0.85 Pr > z = 0.393
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 340.98 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 102.75 Prob > chi2 = 0.571
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
    GMM instruments for levels
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) = 79.91 Prob > chi2 = 0.134
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(39) = 22.83 Prob > chi2 = 0.982
    gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) = 30.46 Prob > chi2 = 0.249
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(80) = 72.29 Prob > chi2 = 0.718
    gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) = 87.84 Prob > chi2 = 0.166
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(30) = 14.90 Prob > chi2 = 0.990
    iv(ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11
ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8
_Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(74) = 82.93 Prob > chi2 = 0.223
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(32) = 19.82 Prob > chi2 = 0.954
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## Appendix II.13: STATA output - SGMM2R_IS6 estimation of the HCASM with SSA

 and EA dummies and interactions SSAP and EAP - Sample 2//The HCASM with SSA and SSAP
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.
i.period _Iperiod_1-13 (naturally coded; _Iperiod_1 omitted)

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor space, perm.
ssap2 dropped due to collinearity
ssap3 dropped due to collinearity
ssap13 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations.
Warning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
Using a generalized inverse to calculate optimal weighting matrix for twostep estimation.

Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM

| Group variable: id | Number of obs | $=$ | 1114 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Time variable $:$ period | Number of groups | $=$ | 127 |
| Number of instruments $=132$ | Obs per group: min | $=$ | 3 |
| F $(25, ~ 126)$ |  | avg $=$ | 8.77 |


| Prob > F | 0.000 |  |  |  | $\max =$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ln_y | Coef. | Corrected Std. Err. | t | $p>\|t\|$ | [95\% Conf. | Interval] |
| ln_y |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L1. | . 9647704 | . 0161069 | 59.90 | 0.000 | . 9328953 | . 9966455 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ln_s | . 0729427 | . 0339176 | 2.15 | 0.033 | . 0058208 | . 1400645 |
| ln_ngd | . 0646898 | . 0606806 | 1.07 | 0.288 | -. 0553953 | . 184775 |
| ln_h | . 0548874 | . 0380288 | 1.44 | 0.151 | -. 0203705 | . 1301452 |
| ssa | -. 0242439 | . 0280769 | -0.86 | 0.390 | -. 0798073 | . 0313195 |
| ssap4 | -. 0212314 | . 0445783 | -0.48 | 0.635 | -. 1094505 | . 0669877 |
| ssap5 | -. 0255802 | . 0483232 | -0.53 | 0.597 | -. 1212104 | . 0700499 |
| ssap6 | -. 0363158 | . 0526253 | -0.69 | 0.491 | -. 1404596 | . 067828 |
| ssap7 | -. 0928713 | . 049257 | -1.89 | 0.062 | -. 1903494 | . 0046068 |
| ssap8 | -. 0321516 | . 0502402 | -0.64 | 0.523 | -. 1315755 | . 0672723 |
| ssap9 | -. 0184361 | . 0421618 | -0.44 | 0.663 | -. 1018731 | . 0650008 |
| ssap10 | -. 1137105 | . 0463099 | -2.46 | 0.015 | -. 2053564 | -. 0220647 |
| ssap11 | -. 0674984 | . 0479209 | -1.41 | 0.161 | -. 1623324 | . 0273356 |
| ssap12 | -. 0914623 | . 0332575 | -2.75 | 0.007 | -. 1572779 | -. 0256467 |
| _Iperiod_2 | .1181104 | . 028137 | 4.20 | 0.000 | . 062428 | .1737927 |
| _Iperiod_3 | . 0766493 | . 0253201 | 3.03 | 0.003 | . 0265415 | . 1267571 |
| _Iperiod_4 | . 1167409 | . 0230881 | 5.06 | 0.000 | . 0710502 | . 1624316 |
| -Iperiod_5 | . 1326433 | . 0275837 | 4.81 | 0.000 | . 078056 | .1872305 |
| _Iperiod_6 | . 0473822 | . 020384 | 2.32 | 0.022 | . 007043 | . 0877214 |
| _Iperiod_7 | . 0434107 | . 0205735 | 2.11 | 0.037 | . 0026964 | . 084125 |
| _Iperiod_8 | -. 0479656 | . 022262 | -2.15 | 0.033 | -. 0920214 | -. 0039098 |
| _Iperiod_9 | -. 0150922 | . 0201649 | -0.75 | 0.456 | -. 0549981 | . 0248136 |
| _Iperiod_10 | -. 0358413 | . 0294067 | -1.22 | 0.225 | -. 0940363 | . 0223537 |
| _Iperiod_11 | . 0223891 | . 0161072 | 1.39 | 0.167 | -. 0094865 | . 0542646 |
| _Iperiod_12 | . 0454315 | . 0165896 | 2.74 | 0.007 | . 0126012 | . 0782617 |
| _cons | . 6198432 | . 2073501 | 2.99 | 0.003 | . 2095035 | 1.030183 |

Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L (2/3).ln_h
$\mathrm{L}(3 / 4)$. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ssa ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13 _cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.50 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.013$ Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(2)$ in first differences: $z=-0.87 \mathrm{Pr}>\mathrm{z}=0.384$

Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=313.78$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.000$
(Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) $=103.66$ Prob > chi2 $=0.546$ (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
GMM instruments for levels
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) $=70.40$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.365$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (39) $=33.27$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.728$
gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) $=32.02$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.192$
Difference (null $H=$ exogenous) : chi2 (80) $=71.64$ Prob $>$ chi2 $=0.736$

//The HCASM with EA and EAP
Note: The number of instruments is reported in the STATA output is the total number of instruments used for all endogenous, predetermined and exogenous variables.

Favoring speed over space. To switch, type or click on mata: mata set matafavor sace, perm.
eap2 dropped due to collinearity
_Iperiod_13 dropped due to collinearity
Warning: Number of instruments may be large relative to number of observations.
arning: Two-step estimated covariance matrix of moments is singular.
tep estimation
Difference-in-Sargan/Hansen statistics may be negative.
Dynamic panel-data estimation, two-step system GMM



Instruments for first differences equation
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) L ( $2 / 3$ ). ln_h L(3/4). (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)
Instruments for levels equation
Standard
ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10
ssap11 ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13 _Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13
_cons
GMM-type (missing=0, separate instruments for each period unless collapsed) DL.ln_h DL2. (ln_y ln_s ln_ngd)

Arellano-Bond test for $\operatorname{AR}(1)$ in first differences: $z=-2.44 \operatorname{Pr}>z=0.015$

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Arellano-Bond test for AR(2) in first differences: z = -0.75 Pr > z = 0.451
Sargan test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 305.10 Prob > chi2 = 0.000
    (Not robust, but not weakened by many instruments.)
Hansen test of overid. restrictions: chi2(106) = 97.28 Prob > chi2 = 0.716
    (Robust, but weakened by many instruments.)
Difference-in-Hansen tests of exogeneity of instrument subsets:
    GMM instruments for levels
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(67) = 73.05 Prob > chi2 = 0.286
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(39) = 24.24 Prob > chi2 = 0.969
    gmm(ln_y ln_s ln_ngd, lag(3 4))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(26) = 29.27 Prob > chi2 = 0.299
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(80) = 68.01 Prob > chi2 = 0.828
    gmm(ln_h, lag(2 3))
        Hansen test excluding group: chi2(76) = 87.18 Prob > chi2 = 0.179
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(30) = 10.10 Prob > chi2 = 1.000
    iv(ssa ea ssap2 ssap3 ssap4 ssap5 ssap6 ssap7 ssap8 ssap9 ssap10 ssap11
ssap12 ssap13 eap2 eap3 eap4 eap5 eap6 eap7 eap8 eap9 eap10 eap11 eap12 eap13
_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8
_Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13, eq(level))
        Hansen test excluding group: - chi2(74) = 82.54 Prob > chi2 = 0.232
        Difference (null H = exogenous): chi2(32) = 14.74 Prob > chi2 = 0.996
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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ For example, the average advantages of technology, knowledge and managerial skills of the US over Germany may be different from those of the US over Greece or Portugal. Thus, the impacts of the advantages of the technology, knowledge and managerial skills on US FDI to the host countries such as Germany, Greece and Portugal may be heterogeneous.
    ${ }^{2}$ The following key words were used in the database of the Research Papers in Economics ( RePEc ), the database Econlit and Google Scholar: "common correlated effects mean group", "foreign direct investment", "determinants"; "common correlated effects mean group", "foreign direct investment", "determinants", "United States"; "common correlated effects mean group", "foreign direct investment", "determinants", "United States", "OECD".

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ See pp.21-22 in chapter I. 3 for a discussion of the choice of the lag.

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ Also, the Anderson-Hsiao and Arellano-Bond estimators are intended for short-T panels and may be inappropriate for the sample with $\mathrm{T}>\mathrm{N}$ as in the case of this study (Baltagi, 2008).

[^3]:    ${ }^{5}$ The exposition of the basic Solow model in this section relies on Solow (1956), Mankiw, Romer and Weil (1992), Barro and Sala-i-Martin (2004) and Romer (2006).

[^4]:    ${ }^{6}$ This assumption could be restrictive. However, assuming different depreciation rates for physical capital and human capital is unlikely to make a great deal of difference in the MRW approach: as an empirical matter, it leads to a model with two labour-force growth terms which are almost perfectly correlated (Temple, 1998, p.42).

[^5]:    ${ }^{7}$ Note that according to the conditional convergence in the (human-capital augmented) Solow model a poor country may grow slower than a rich country does (MRW; Barro and Sala-iMartin, 2004). For example, suppose that there are two countries with differences in initial output per worker and investment rates in capital. If the rich country (i.e. the country with higher initial output per worker) has a higher investment rate in capital than the poor country does, the rich country would have a higher output per worker in the steady state, and thus the rich country may be proportionally further from its steady state. In this case, the growth of the output per worker of the rich country may be higher than that of the poor country.
    ${ }^{8}$ In the empirics of growth, a finding of a significantly negative relationship between the initial output per worker and the growth of the output per worker is evidence for conditional convergence (MRW; Durlauf, Johnson and Temple, 2005). The rate of convergence is calculated from the estimated coefficient on the initial output per worker as follows.
    From equation (II.72) [or equation (II.73)], we have that the coefficient on the initial output per worker in the human-capital augmented Solow model is $-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)$ where $\lambda$ is the rate of convergence and $t$ is the length of the time period.
    Set that the estimated coefficient on the initial output per worker in an empirical estimation of the human-capital augmented Solow model is $\eta$, and then:

    $$
    \eta=-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)
    $$

[^6]:    ${ }^{9}$ The convergence rate, $\lambda$, being 1.4 percent implies that the average time an economy takes to cover half of the distance between its initial position to its steady state (hereafter the half-life) is about 50 years.
    Generally, the half-life is calculated as follows: Recall equation (II.65): $\ln y_{t}-\ln y_{0}=$ $\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y_{0}$. This equation leads: $\ln y_{t}=\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right) \ln y^{*}+$ $e^{-\lambda t} \ln y_{0}$. The half-life, $t$, for which $\ln y_{t}$ is halfway between $\ln y_{0}$ and $\ln y^{*}$ satisfies the condition $e^{-\lambda t}=1 / 2$. Taking logs both sides yields: $t=-\ln (1 / 2) / \lambda=0.69 / \lambda$ (Caselli, Esquivel and Lefort, 1996; Barro and Sala-i-Martin, 2004; Romer, 2005). Therefore, if $\lambda=1.4$ percent per year, the half-life is about 50 years.

[^7]:    ${ }^{10}$ The one-step system GMM estimation of the HCASM in Hoeffler (2002) also indicates conditional convergence with the rate of convergence being 3.3 percent a year.

[^8]:    ${ }^{11}$ Based on the estimation of the regression model (II.75), to check whether the conditional convergence exists and calculate the convergence rate see footnote 8 on pp.73-74. In the case based on the estimation of the regression model (II.76) as in this study, if the coefficient on initial output per worker is found to be significant and less than one, there exists conditional convergence as the HCASM predicts. The rate of convergence is calculated from the estimated coefficient on the initial output per worker, $\kappa$, as follows.
    We have $\kappa=\eta+1$, leading $\eta=\kappa-1$. From footnote 8 , we have

    $$
    \eta=-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)
    $$

    or

    $$
    \kappa-1=-\left(1-e^{-\lambda t}\right)
    $$

[^9]:    ${ }^{12}$ Kiviet (1995, 1999), Judson and Owen (1999), and Bun and Kiviet (2003) also suggest approaches to correct bias in the WG or LSDV estimator for samples with small $N$ or with moderate $N$ and $T$.

[^10]:    ${ }^{13}$ See footnote 9 on p. 74 .

[^11]:    Instruments for first differences equation Standard
    D. (_Iperiod_2 _Iperiod_3 _Iperiod_4 _Iperiod_5 _Iperiod_6 _Iperiod_7 _Iperiod_8 _Iperiod_9 _Iperiod_10 _Iperiod_11 _Iperiod_12 _Iperiod_13)

