### Heterogeneous Multinational Firms and Productivity Gains from Falling FDI Barriers

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### Introduction

- Globalization anxiety
  - Declining international barriers to economic activity
  - Firms move their factory abroad freely
  - Entry of foreign firms drives out domestic firms
- Concerns about rising multinational firms
  - A few global firms dominate a market
  - Displacement of small and medium firms

### Introduction

- Impacts of FDI globalization
  - Critical issues for policy makers
  - Key questions:
    - Which firms seize global opportunities?
    - Which firms lose from global competition?
    - Is there any productivity gain?

#### However,

- Quantitative assessment is difficult for:
  - Global firms compete multilaterally via FDI
  - Individual firms respond to aggregate shocks abroad
  - Counterfactual analysis is needed

### Introduction

- This paper seeks to quantify:
  - Individual-firm response to aggregate FDI barriers
  - Resulting changes in market-share reallocation
  - Aggregate productivity improvements

#### By:

- Calibrate firm-heterogeneity model of trade to Japanese multinationals
- Validate the estimated model for data
- Use the validated model for counterfactuals

### Data for Japanese Multinationals

- Kigyou Katsudou Kihon Chousa
  - All firms with over 50 employees or 30 mil. Yen of capital
- Kaigai Jigyo Katsudo Kihon Chousa
  - Foreign affiliates owned by Japanese parent firms

#### Sample for 2006

- 2032 multinational parents in original data
  - 1656 parent firms have both sales at home and abroad
- 7626 manufacturing foreign affiliates across 70 countries
- Average Multinational Parent:
  - 4.6 foreign affiliates
  - 5.7 billion (yen) sales abroad per an affiliate



Table 1. Firm Entry and Exit by Initial Size in 1996 and 2006

	# All Firms			# Multinationals		
Initial Size Interval	<u>Y</u> 6	ear_	Change from	<u>Y</u> 6	ear_	Change
(percentile)	1996	2006	1996	1996	2006	from 1996
0 to 10	1,411	1,376	-35	0	3	3
10 to 20	1,410	1,276	-134	5	13	8
20 to 30	1,411	1,178	-233	3	20	17
30 to 40	1,412	1,229	-183	11	40	29
40 to 50	1,412	1,202	-210	16	36	20
50 to 60	1,414	1,191	-223	27	73	46
60 to 70	1,411	1,299	-112	51	113	62
70 to 80	1,413	1,229	-184	75	185	110
80 to 90	1,412	1,409	-3	184	359	175
90 to 99	1,270	1,309	39	464	677	213
99 to 100	141	157	16	124	137	13
Total	14,117	12,855	-1,262	960	1,656	696

*Notes*: Percentile bins are determined by parent firms' global sales in 1996; all firms include domestic and multinational firms in manufacturing; we drop firms with *missing* domestic sales.

Source: Basic Survey of Japanese Business Structure and Activities, and Basic Survey of Overseas Business Activities from Japanese METI.

### Theoretical Framework

- Trade model of Eaton, Kortum, Kramarz (2011)
  - Monopolistic competition, N markets (Melitz model)
  - Firm heterogeneity
    - Stochastic firm-level efficiency
    - Stochastic shock to export entry/sales by market
- To apply EKK model to multinational production
  - Firms draw efficiency, stochastic FDI entry/sales shocks
    - Produce in domestic and/or foreign markets
    - No export choice (future work)

## **Entry and Sales Conditions**

 Firm enters market n if and only if its unit cost is below threshold unit cost:

$$c_n(j) \le \overline{c}_{ni}(j)$$

where

$$\overline{c}_{ni}(j) = \left(\eta_n(j) \frac{X_n}{\sigma E_{ni}}\right)^{1/(\sigma-1)} \frac{P_n}{\overline{m}}$$

Latent sales conditional upon entry

$$X_{ni}(j) = \frac{\alpha_n(j)}{\eta_n(j)} \sigma E_{ni} \left(\frac{\overline{c}_{ni}(j)}{c_n(j)}\right)^{\sigma-1}$$

## Theoretical Implications

- More productive firms tend to be multinational
- More productive firms tend to
  - Invest in a larger set of markets
  - Generate more sales per each market
  - Penetrate less attractive markets

- Weak pecking order
  - Strict pecking order
    - Productivity dictates sorting of firms into international markets
  - Entry and demand shocks allow for deviations from strict form

# **Empirical Regularities**

- Consistency with the model
  - Empirical regularities of French exporting firms support EKK model
  - Do we find similar regularities for Japanese multinationals?
- Supporting evidence for the model
  - Market entry and market size
  - Sales distribution
  - Market entry and sales in Japan
  - Multinational production intensity

### Calibration

- 1. Set particular values for structural parameters
- 2. Simulate artificial firms from entry/sales conditions
- Calculate moments of artificial firms
  - Moments describe features of their activities
  - Match moments of real and simulated firms
- Search for optimal parameters by simulated method of moments
  - Repeat until best fit between artificial and real moments

2006

No Pecking Order

String

1.95

(0.64)

1.66

(0.08)

0.34

(0.42)

-0.64

(0.51)

**(4)** 

Markets with over 10

affiliates

1996

All

2.13

(0.53)

1.36

(0.11)

0.45

(0.43)

-0.99

(0.56)



Year

**Moments** 

size dispersion

variance of sales shock

variance of entry shock

Correlation of sales

and entry shocks

Variable

### Parameter Estimates

2006

All

2.12

(0.95)

1.64

(0.10)

0.52

(0.16)

-0.55

(0.25)

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	(1)	(2)	(3)		
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2006

All

1.99

(0.43)

1.64

(0.07)

0.39

(0.31)

-0.62

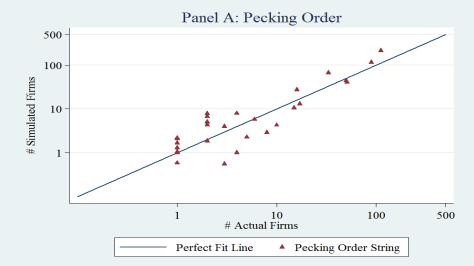
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#### Model Validation

- Predictive accuracy of the model
  - Can model replicate firm activities in various environments?
- Internal model validation
  - Simulate a new set of firms and compare with JP MNCs in 2006
  - Samples are identical in estimation and validation
    - Useful, but policy may change an environment
- External model validation
  - Use year 2006 parameters to simulate JP MNCs in 1996
  - Simulate MNCs in significantly different environments

## Out-of-Sample Predictions

Figure 6b. Out-Of-Sample Predictions for 1996



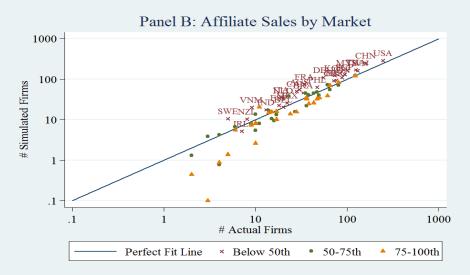
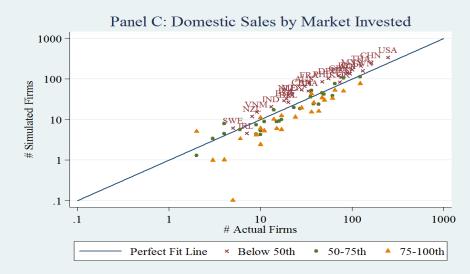
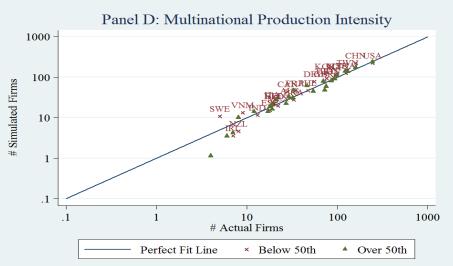


Figure 6c. Out-Of-Sample Predictions for 1996





### Counterfactual Analysis

- Step 1: Baseline
  - Simulate artificial multinationals
- Step 2: Counterfactuals
  - Set counterfactual scenarios
    - Global 20% drop in FDI costs
  - Simulate aggregate changes (global general equilibrium)
  - Simulate firm-level changes given aggregate changes
- Step 3: Analysis
  - Compare baseline and counterfactuals



### Changes in Aggregate FDI Barriers

	Host Country 1	Host Country 2	Host Country 3
Home Country 1	0%	-20% <b>(B)</b>	-20% <b>(B)</b>
Home Country 2	-20% ( <b>A</b> )	0%	-20% <b>(C)</b>
Home Country 3	-20% ( <b>A</b> )	-20% <b>(C)</b>	0%

- Effects on firms in home country 1 (Japan)
  - (A) increased inward FDI
  - (B) increased outward FDI
  - (C) increased FDI competition abroad

## Aggregate Results for JP Firms

Variable	Baseline	Counterfactual Change from Baseline	% Change from Baseline
Number of Firms:			
All	13,123	-350	-2.67
Multinationals	1,511	1,004	66.4
Aggregate Production: (Trillion Yen)			
Domestic	394.3	-13.6	-3.45
Foreign	99.8	107.1	107.3
Total	494.1	93.5	18.9



# Results for Extensive Margin

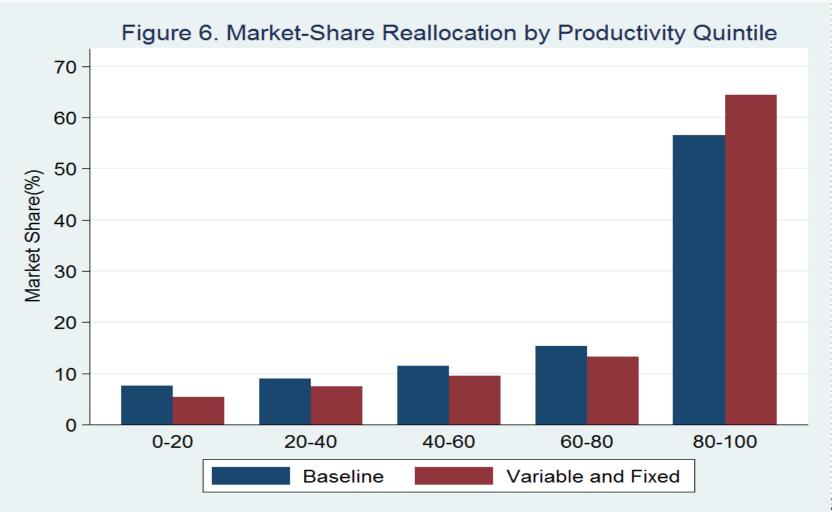
	# Multinational		#All Firms	
Initial Productivity Group (percentile)	Baseline	Counterfactual Change from Baseline	Baseline	Counterfactual Change from Baseline
0-10	0	6	1,313	-345
10-20	0	21	1,312	-2
20-30	0	34	1,313	-1
30-40	2	53	1,312	-1
40-50	22	62	1,312	-1
50-60	45	82	1,312	0
60-70	79	118	1,312	0
70-80	146	177	1,313	0
80-90	322	259	1,312	0
90-99	766	191	1,181	0
99-10	130	0	130	0
Total	1,511	1,004	13,123	-350



# Results for Intensive Margin

	Foreign Production per Multinational		Total Production per Firm	
Initial Productivity Group (percentile)	Baseline	Counterfactual Change from Baseline	Baseline	Counterfactual Change from Baseline
0-10	0.00	1.34	13.7	-0.13
10-20	0.00	1.27	14.6	-0.35
20-30	0.00	1.54	16.0	-0.38
30-40	0.69	0.90	17.9	-0.45
40-50	0.75	1.31	19.5	-0.36
50-60	1.04	1.50	22.0	-0.29
60-70	1.58	1.92	26.2	-0.24
70-80	2.36	3.14	31.7	0.42
80-90	5.01	6.16	42.6	2.84
90-99	32.0	31.44	97.3	29.1
99-100	563.2	486.7	855.4	481.3
All	66.1	16.22	37.7	8.4

### Market-Share Reallocation



## Aggregate Productivity Growth

- Decomposition of aggregate productivity changes
  - **1. No** within-firm effects: firm-level efficiency is held constant
  - 2. No entry effects: no firm enters the market
  - 3. Reallocation effects in market share:
    - Expansion of high productive firms
    - Contraction of low productive firms

#### 4. Exit effects

Exit of low productive firms

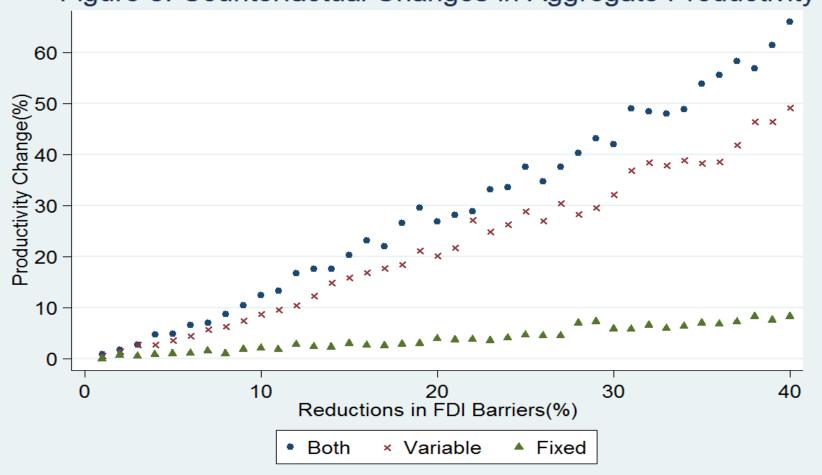
#### Results

Total effects	30.7%
Reallocation effects	29.6%
Exit effects	1.2%



# Aggregate Productivity Growth





# Concluding Remarks

- Impacts of FDI globalization
  - Falling FDI barriers cause large market-share reallocation
  - Large gains for aggregate productivity
  - Largest firms grow at the expense of small firms
- Future agenda
  - Exporting and FDI
  - Multinationals in service sector