

Agricultural Technology and Structural Change

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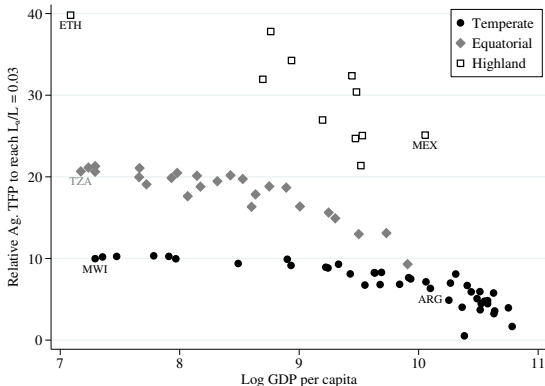
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- **Findings (ii):** technology heterogeneity accounts for between one-fifth and one-third of observed differences in aggregate income pc across countries



Notes: The figure shows the ratio that agricultural TFP (A) would have to increase by to reach $L_a/L = 0.03$ in each country. The 78 countries are from Caselli (2005), who provides the starting level of L_a/L and output per capita.

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- UN FAO data on inputs and output in **128 countries**.
- Time dimension: annual data **1961 to 2002** (fertilizer as constraint), average T 40.3.
- **Output**: Real agricultural net output (in thousand International \$) based on all crops and livestock products adjusted for fodder and seed.
- **Inputs**: total economically active population in agriculture (L), tractor count (K), livestock ($Live$), fertilizer weight (F) and arable and permanent crop land (N).
- Large proportion of **estimated K** but absence of correlation with technology estimates indicates no systematic over-/underreporting.
- **Further data sources** include Mayer and Zignago (2006) and Caselli (2005).

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Identification strategy for β

Pesaran (2006) insight (for illustration applied to simpler setup)

$$y_{it} = \beta_i x_{it} + \alpha_i + \gamma_i f_t + \varepsilon_{it} \quad (3)$$

Proxy unobservable factors using cross-section averages (CA)

$$\bar{y}_t = \bar{\beta} \bar{x}_t + \bar{\alpha} + \bar{\gamma} f_t \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad f_t = \bar{\gamma}^{-1} (\bar{y}_t - \bar{\beta} \bar{x}_t - \bar{\alpha}) \quad (4)$$

... then augment models with these CA...

$$y_{it} = a_i + \beta'_i x_{it} + c_{0i} \bar{y}_t + c_i \bar{x}_t + e_{it} \quad (5)$$

... using heterogeneous parameters to capture γ_i .

Country regressions by OLS and averaging across i for consistent estimate of average β_i : Pesaran (2006) Common Correlated Effects Mean Group (CMG) estimator [More](#)

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Technology Heterogeneity Across Climate Zones

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Production

$$y_{it} = \beta_{Li} \ln L_{a,it} + \beta'_i \mathbf{x}_{it} + u_{it} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad Y_{it} = A_{it} L_{a,it}^{\beta_{Li}} \quad (6)$$

Production function in agriculture and non-agriculture ($\forall i, t$)

$$Y_a = AL_a^{\beta_L} \quad Y_n = wL_n \quad \text{with } L = L_a + L_n \quad (7)$$

Preferences and Individual Optimization

Utility over agricultural (c_a) and non-agricultural good (c_n)

$$U = \alpha \ln (c_a - \bar{c}_a) + (1 - \alpha) \ln (c_n + \bar{c}_n) \quad (8)$$

where \bar{c}_a is subsistence constraint and \bar{c}_n is an endowment.

$$w = p_a c_a + c_n \quad (9)$$

is the budget constraint, with w equal to income, p_a the relative price of agricultural good.

Preferences and Individual Optimization

Expenditures on the two goods

$$p_a c_a = \alpha(w - p_a \bar{c}_a + \bar{c}_n) + p_a \bar{c}_a \quad (10)$$

$$c_n = (1 - \alpha)(w - p_a \bar{c}_a + \bar{c}_n) - \bar{c}_n.$$

Equilibrium Allocation of Labour

Free movement between sectors, assume agricultural wage is equal to the average product: no rents. Common setup in models of structural change. Here: removes the impact of β_L on labour allocation, s.t.

$$w = p_a \frac{Y_a}{L_a} \quad (11)$$

Equating supply and demand in both sectors we can then solve for the optimal allocation of labour L_a/L .

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β_L affects the magnitudes of these changes

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Counterfactual Exercise (i)

- For otherwise identical economies, how does β_L affect response to an increase in ★ (a) A , or (b) in L ?

Heterogeneous Technology and Structural Change

Outcome	Baseline	Equilibrium outcomes from:					
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		0.15	0.35	0.55	0.15	0.35	0.55
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Ag. relative price (p_a)	1.000	0.432	0.629				
Ag. labour productivity (Y_a/L_a)	1.000	2.314	1.591				
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Ag. relative price (p_a)	1.000	0.432	0.629	0.729			
Ag. labour productivity (Y_a/L_a)	1.000	2.314	1.591	1.371			
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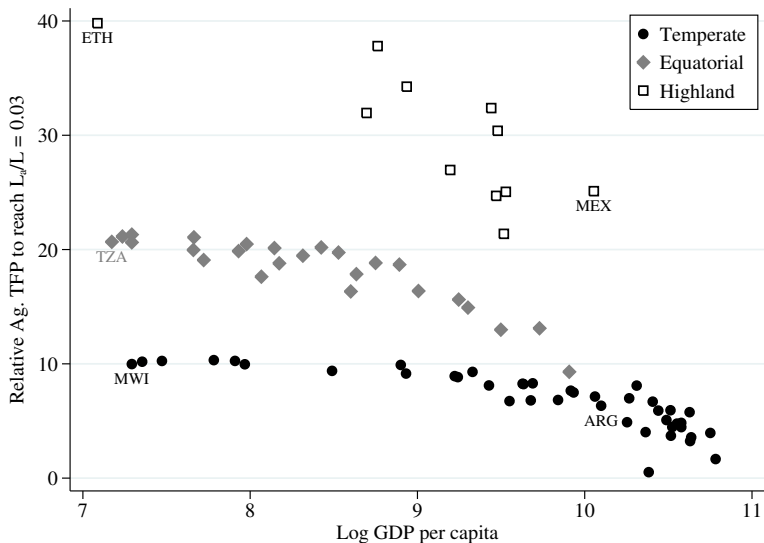
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Real income p.c. (y)	1.000	1.485	1.306	1.221	0.849	0.945	0.975

Counterfactual Exercise (ii)

- Adopt a sample of 78 countries from Caselli (2005) — overlap with our data; three groups: 11 equat./highland, 25 equat., 42 arid/temperate or temperate; pick representative β_L of $\{.55, .35, .15\}$ respectively.
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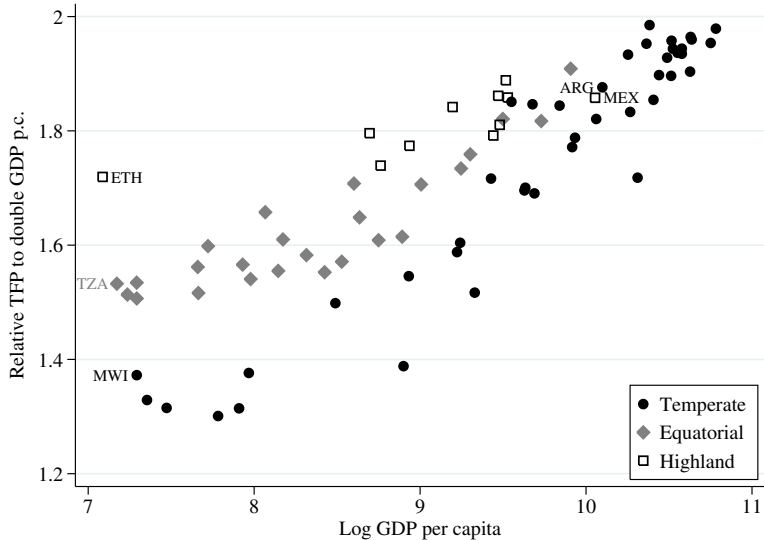
Relative Ag. TFP Increase to Reach $L_a/L = .03$



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Relative TFP Increase to Double Income pc



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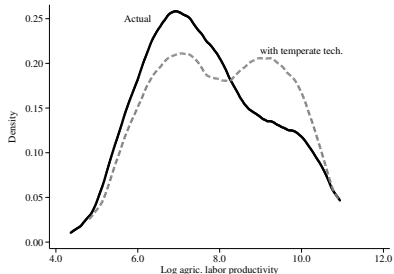
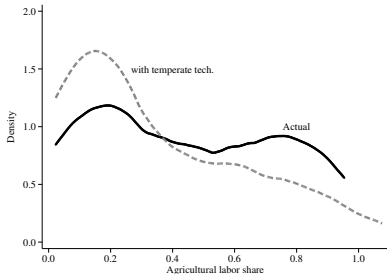
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Counterfactual Exercise (iii)

- How much variation in output pc remains once we eliminate heterogeneity in agricultural technology?
- “Apples and Oranges” problem (Bernard and Jones, 1996): counter-factual analysis where we set $A_1 = A_2$ for $\beta_{L,1} \neq \beta_{L,2}$ is not meaningful. [More](#)

Income Dispersion, Actual and Counterfactual

	Output per capita:		Ag. labour productivity:	
	$Var(\ln y)$	90/10 ratio	$Var(\ln Y_A/L_A)$	90/10 Ratio
Actual	1.185	21.7	2.206	46.0
Temperate technology	0.996	14.8	2.217	44.1



Notes: The figures show the actual distribution of the agricultural labor share and agricultural labour output for a sample of 78 countries from Caselli (2005) as well as the counterfactual values for the same countries when they are given a temperate-zone agricultural technology with $\beta = 0.15$.

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The Quantitative Significance of Technology Heterogeneity

- **Agricultural technology varies widely** across countries. Seems to follow a pattern linked to agro-climatic conditions.
- Effect of technology heterogeneity in a standard two-sector model is **significant**.
- **No ‘geographic determinism’**: fact that agricultural technology differs by climate does not imply anything about TFP or population levels.
- Short of fundamentally altering production technology — which may be biologically impossible and/or economically inefficient — **tropical countries will be slower to emulate the structural change witnessed in temperate regions** such as Korea or Japan.

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Appendix: Identification Problem [Return](#)

Simplified model setup

$$y_{it} = \beta_i x_{it} + \alpha_i + \gamma_i f_t + \varepsilon_{it} \quad (12)$$

$$x_{it} = \eta_i + \phi_i f_t + \psi_i g_t + \epsilon_{it} \quad (13)$$

Solving the regressor for the common factor f and plugging into the production function yields

$$\begin{aligned} y_{it} &= \beta_i x_{it} + \alpha_i + \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} (x_{it} - \eta_i - \psi_i g_t - \epsilon_{it}) + \varepsilon_{it} \\ &= \underbrace{(\beta_i + \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1})}_{\varrho_i} x_{it} + \underbrace{\alpha_i + \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} \alpha_i - \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} \eta_i}_{\varpi_i} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\varepsilon_{it} - \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} \psi_i g_t - \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} \epsilon_{it}}_{s_{it}} = \varrho_i x_{it} + \varpi_i + s_{it} \end{aligned}$$

Since in the standard case $\varrho_i = \beta_i + \gamma_i \phi_i^{-1} \neq \beta_i$ the slope coefficient on our regressor is not identified.

- **Pesaran and Smith (1995):** If true model is heterogeneous, then any pooled model misspecified by construction and there exists no instrument which is both valid and informative.
- **Price to pay for CMG:** unless T large difficult to estimate $\hat{\beta}_i$ precisely – weak signal-to-noise ratio. Averaging across i boosts the signal. Instead of full sample average we compute averages for specific subsamples.
- **CMG methodology and its consistency:** extends to multivariate and multifactor setup, nonstationary factors, structural breaks, and cointegration or noncointegration (Chudik, Pesaran and Tosetti, 2011; Kapetanios, Pesaran and Yamagata, 2011; Pesaran and Tosetti, 2011).

Appendix: Weak exogeneity testing

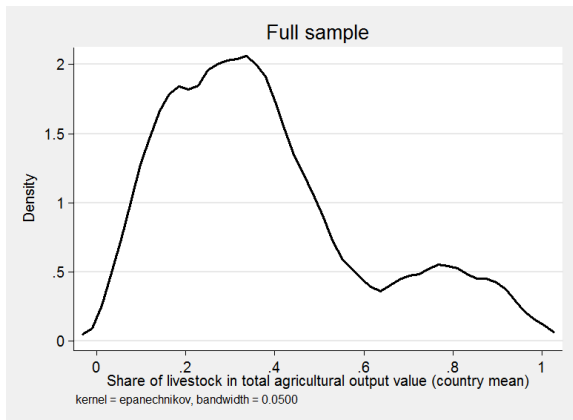
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2FE	<i>GM</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>Fisher</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>mean</i> $\hat{\lambda}_i$	<i>t-ratio</i>	<i>Verdict</i>
output equation	-0.97	0.00	485.2	0.00	-0.142	-7.91	$x \rightarrow y$
tractor equation	0.18	0.17	456.2	0.00	0.024	1.81	$x_{-tr}, y \rightarrow x_{tr}$
livestock equation	0.38	0.00	351.0	0.00	0.043	3.77	$x_{-live}, y \rightarrow x_{live}$
fertilizer equation	0.10	0.42	432.3	0.00	0.141	1.82	$x_{-f}, y \rightarrow x_f$
land equation	0.37	0.00	395.2	0.00	0.011	1.91	$x_{-n}, y \rightarrow x_n$
MG	<i>GM</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>Fisher</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>mean</i> $\hat{\lambda}_i$	<i>t-ratio</i>	<i>Verdict</i>
output equation	-2.93	0.00	1,612.1	0.00	-0.976	-24.00	$x \rightarrow y$
tractor equation	-0.16	0.87	274.7	0.20	-0.029	-0.98	$x_{-tr}, y \nrightarrow x_{tr}$
livestock equation	0.03	0.98	307.6	0.01	0.015	0.55	$x_{-live}, y \rightarrow x_{live}$
fertilizer equation	-0.06	0.96	257.2	0.47	-0.116	-0.85	$x_{-f}, y \nrightarrow x_f$
land equation	-0.06	0.95	286.5	0.09	-0.004	-0.33	$x_{-n}, y \rightarrow x_n$
CMG agro-climate	<i>GM</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>Fisher</i>	(<i>p</i>)	<i>mean</i> $\hat{\lambda}_i$	<i>t-ratio</i>	<i>Verdict</i>
output equation	-2.25	0.02	1,035.5	0.00	-0.935	-20.16	$x, \text{TFP} \rightarrow y$
tractor equation	-0.02	0.98	241.8	0.53	-0.013	-0.42	$x_{-tr}, y, \text{TFP} \nrightarrow x_{tr}$
livestock equation	0.15	0.88	380.0	0.00	0.048	1.23	$x_{-live}, y, \text{TFP} \rightarrow x_{live}$
fertilizer equation	0.07	0.94	242.5	0.52	-0.004	-0.02	$x_{-f}, y, \text{TFP} \nrightarrow x_f$
land equation	-0.09	0.93	227.3	0.77	-0.001	-0.08	$x_{-n}, y, \text{TFP} \nrightarrow x_n$

Appendix: Livestock rearing distorts estimates

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Using average 60% share of VA from livestock as cut-off:



Who drops out? Except for small number of LICs (e.g. Lesotho, Mongolia, Somalia) predominantly developed economies in the temperate or cold climate zones, including Denmark, Germany, and the United Kingdom.

Appendix: Further analysis of endogeneity concerns

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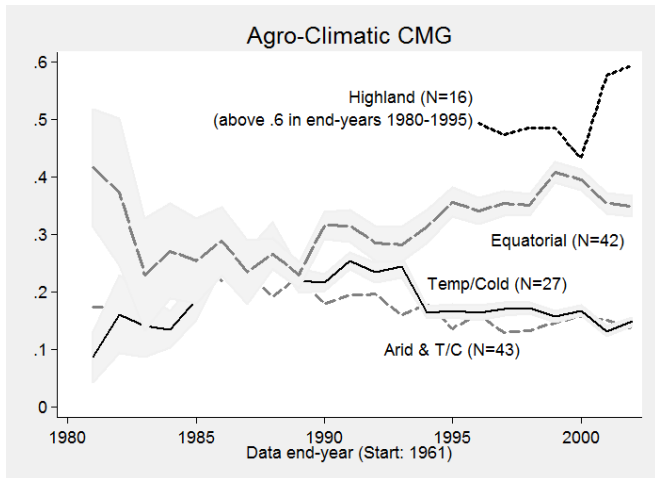
Correlation matrix: variable series averages and CMG estimates

<i>Variable averages</i>	\bar{y}_i	$\bar{l}r_i$	$\bar{l}live_i$	$\bar{l}f_i$	$\bar{l}n_i$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Tr}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Live}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^F$	$\hat{\beta}_i^N$
Output pw \bar{y}_i	1								
Tractors pw $\bar{l}r_i$	0.911	1							
Livestock pw $\bar{l}live_i$	0.816	0.738	1						
Fertilizer pw $\bar{l}f_i$	0.902	0.917	0.695	1					
Land pw $\bar{l}n_i$	0.780	0.718	0.677	0.673	1				
<i>Standard CMG</i>	\bar{y}_i	$\bar{l}r_i$	$\bar{l}live_i$	$\bar{l}f_i$	$\bar{l}n_i$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Tr}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Live}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^F$	$\hat{\beta}_i^N$
$\hat{\beta}_i^{Tr}$	0.089	0.124	0.052	0.072	0.051	1			
$\hat{\beta}_i^{Live}$	0.003	-0.015	0.153	-0.051	-0.119	-0.330	1		
$\hat{\beta}_i^F$	0.115	0.123	0.075	0.223	0.116	-0.067	-0.119	1	
$\hat{\beta}_i^N$	0.105	0.139	0.076	0.203	0.108	-0.203	0.007	0.124	1
<i>Agro-climatic CMG</i>	\bar{y}_i	$\bar{l}r_i$	$\bar{l}live_i$	$\bar{l}f_i$	$\bar{l}n_i$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Tr}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^{Live}$	$\hat{\beta}_i^F$	$\hat{\beta}_i^N$
$\hat{\beta}_i^{Tr}$	0.128	0.138	0.106	0.150	0.008	1			
$\hat{\beta}_i^{Live}$	0.040	0.024	0.126	-0.047	-0.007	-0.238	1		
$\hat{\beta}_i^F$	0.148	0.168	0.100	0.282	0.138	-0.002	-0.218	1	
$\hat{\beta}_i^N$	0.098	0.125	0.037	0.128	0.145	-0.062	-0.053	0.094	1

Appendix: Further analysis of endogeneity concerns

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Average β_L by Climate Zone: Recursive Estimates



Appendix: Cluster makeup (examples)

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Panel A: Four Clusters

<i>Climate Zone</i>	A	B	C/D	H	N
<i>Cluster</i>					
Arid & Temperate/Cold	0.059 [0.215]	0.443 [0.396]	0.403 [0.411]	0.094 [0.214]	43
Temperate/Cold	0.004 [0.015]	0.037 [0.101]	0.920 [0.141]	0.038 [0.096]	27
Equatorial	0.799 [0.231]	0.099 [0.181]	0.074 [0.139]	0.028 [0.075]	42
Equatorial & Highland	0.668 [0.307]	0.023 [0.060]	0.050 [0.193]	0.260 [0.256]	16

Panel B: Five Clusters

<i>Climate Zone</i>	A	B	C/D	H	N
<i>Cluster</i>					
Arid & Temperate/Cold	0.072 [0.262]	0.285 [0.371]	0.589 [0.409]	0.053 [0.130]	28
Temperate/Cold	0.003 [0.013]	0.023 [0.065]	0.933 [0.121]	0.041 [0.099]	25
Arid	0.091 [0.140]	0.723 [0.228]	0.131 [0.214]	0.055 [0.149]	18
Equatorial	0.837 [0.202]	0.057 [0.107]	0.078 [0.142]	0.029 [0.077]	40
Equatorial & Highland	0.570 [0.357]	0.044 [0.094]	0.047 [0.188]	0.340 [0.301]	17

Appendix: Comparing Apples and Oranges

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