Tariffs, Competition, and the Long of Firm Heterogeneity Models

Alan Spearot[*]

University of California - Santa Cruz

March 2014

Abstract

I derive a novel solution for the long run, competitive effects of tariffs that is general for many countries, robust to rich cross-country heterogeneity, and a function of only aggregate trade data and country-by-industry Pareto shape parameters. To obtain shape estimates, I estimate a structural trade growth equation that is a function of shape parameters, trade flows and tariff cuts. The shape estimates indicate that larger and more developed exporters have, on average, bigger surviving firms, and when evaluated on a common import market, exporters with a better shape earn larger trade revenues. Using the shape estimates, I return to the model to back-out measures of relative competition across countries, where within-industries, smaller countries with a relatively poor shape of firms tend to have less competitive markets. However, I find that countries with less competitive markets experience a greater increase in competition over the sample period, suggesting that firms enter where competition is less fierce. Finally, counterfactuals indicate that tariff cuts over 1994-2000 increased competition in 85% of markets, and that the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership would increase competition within the agreement, but decrease competition outside of it.

Key Words: Firm-heterogeneity, Free Entry, Productivity Estimation, Tariffs, Trade agreements

1 Introduction

Tariff liberalization is often cited as a way to discipline domestic firms to the benefit of consumers, either by lowering the price of imported goods or making feasible the import of new varieties. However, the ultimate effects of trade liberalization depend on the presence of firms, and their entry and exit choices. For example, classical wisdom suggests that lower tariffs within an import-competing sector will reduce the domestic relative price of that good as long as preliminaries of the model preclude the presence of a Metzler paradox (Metzler (1949)). In new trade models, while classical wisdom is valid in the short-run, firms may adjust entry choices in the long-run. Initially discussed in Venables (1985), a common prediction in many new trade models is one in which unilateral tariff liberalization *decreases* competition in the liberalizing market due to a particularly strong exit of firms. Indeed, the disciplining effect of tariff cuts may go too far, and ultimately hurt consumers in the long-run.[1]

How general are these long-run results? As much of the received literature is based on quasi-symmetric models with relatively few trading partners, the implications of a large tariff shock for the world economy are not yet clear. This is especially the case if variation in country-level characteristics, such as productivity distributions, lead certain countries to be less responsive to shocks and the actions of other firms.[2] Beyond the theoretical results, how do we characterize the effects of entry empirically? If we are to evaluate the effects of entry on the welfare of consumers, we need an empirically feasible model that accounts for the long-run decisions of firms across countries and industries.

In this paper, I examine the long-run effects of tariffs within a common firm-heterogeneity model, but in the presence of rich cross-country heterogeneity. The primary theoretical contribution is showing that while the link between tariffs and free entry depends on how countries vary in their underlying characteristics such as productivity distributions and tastes, there exists a simple structural relationship between tariffs and competition that is a function of only a bilateral trade matrix and a vector of country-by-industry Pareto distribution shape parameters. Accounting for this relationship alongside a standard trade growth equation, I structurally estimate these shape parameters using trade flows and tariff cuts subsequent to the

---

[1] See Melitz and Ottaviano (2008). The response of free entry to tariffs is documented from a historical perspective in Inwood and Keay (2013) for the Canadian Pig Iron Industry.

[2] Any adjustment in the labor market (Demidova and Rodriguez-Clare (2011)) or the nature of competition (de Blas and Russ (2012)) can produce additional mechanisms that change the long-run effects of liberalization.

Uruguay Round. Armed with the shape estimates, I use trade data to back-out estimates of within-industry relative competition across countries, and counterfactuals related to tariff shocks. The latter suggest that multilateral liberalization subsequent to the Uruguay Round increased competition in 85% of markets.

I introduce these issues by employing an extended version of Melitz and Ottaviano (2008), which produces variable demand elasticities similar to those empirically supported in Foster, Haltiwanger, and Syverson (2008).[3] The main innovation in my framework is allowing for variation in the shape of the Pareto distribution that governs productivity draws by country and industry.[4] Indeed, shape heterogeneity in the presence of elasticity variation is important on three levels. First, the setup can match the empirical relationship between larger export flows and larger surviving exporting firms.[5] Second, shape variation yields tariff elasticity differences across exporting countries that match the empirical results presented in Spearot (2013). Finally, shape variation affects average profit margins of surviving firms, the probability of survival itself, and the elasticity of survival to shocks, all of which critical for entry decisions.

However, shape heterogeneity complicates the assessment of free entry conditions in that the elasticity of the extensive margin to shocks now varies by location. As a result, the system of free entry conditions that pins down long-run demand within each market is highly non-linear, and may be satisfied by multiple candidate solutions on the interior.[6] To work around this issue, I exploit a simple link between expected profits and expected trade values. Specifically, when using the Pareto distribution, expected profits and expected trade values are proportional to each other, and this proportion is a simple function of the Pareto shape parameter. Subsequently, a percent shock to a tariff or demand parameter within expected profits is also proportional to trade value to that market. Using this link, I show that despite the highly non-linear system of free entry conditions, the long-run response of demand in each market to trade shocks is a simple function of the matrix of trade flows and a vector of productivity shape parameters. For any

---

[3]I also discuss how the results relate to CES models similar to Melitz (2003), Helpman, Melitz, and Yeaple (2004), Chaney (2008), Arkolakis, Costinot, and Rodriguez-Clare (2011), and Melitz and Redding (2013). Atkeson and Burstein (2008) also produces variable demand elasticities, but the cournot competition assumption is intractable in my setting.

[4]This is consistent with the class of productivity variation modeled in Demidova (2008), but different from variation in the upper bound of the cost distribution as in Melitz and Ottaviano (2008), Hsieh and Ossa (2011), and Bombardini, Kurz, and Morrow (2012).

[5]Using Columbian transaction level import data for 2003, I reject the assumption that average exporter-size is constant within import categories to Colombia. See section two.

[6]Similar complications would arise in other models with adjustments that are not elasticity neutral - for example, Helpman, Melitz, and Rubinstein (2008). However, in these papers free entry is not modeled. Other multi-region models, such as Combes, Duranton, Gobillon, Puga, and Roux (2012), do not allow for such productivity shape heterogeneity.

non-degenerate matrix of trade flows, the long-run demand response to tariffs is unique.

To evaluate the model empirically, I outline a simple procedure to estimate a log-differentiated trade flow equation, and utilize the demand response to tariffs via free entry conditions to pin down fixed effects consistent with long-run free entry. To structurally estimate the shape parameters, I use sectoral trade flow and tariff cut data that occurred subsequent to the period of Uruguay Round tariff negotiations. To my knowledge these are the first estimates of country-by-industry Pareto shape parameters using a common dataset, and despite using aggregate data, the estimates are within sensible bounds and in the vicinity of parameters estimated using firm-level data (eg. Eaton, Kortum, and Kramarz (2011) and Di Giovanni, Levchenko, and Ranciere (2011)).[7] In terms of the relationship to country and industry observables, I find that larger, more developed markets are associated with a better shape of firms in terms of productivity. However (surprisingly), I do not find a relationship between estimated shape parameters and country-industry measures of capital and input intensity, suggesting that production technology is not driving the variation in shape. Finally, I find that model's structural predictions regarding entry growth match observed establishment growth, but only when allowing for shape heterogeneity.

Armed with the shape estimates, I return to the model to back-out measures of relative competition across markets, and the response of competition to tariff shocks. In terms of the former, I show that using the shape estimates as "data" within a traditional gravity context, an importer-specific coefficient on the shape estimates is precisely equal to the level of competition within that market. Inputing the shape estimates, trade data, observed tariff cuts, and traditional gravity factors, I employ a Poisson esitmator to measure competition within industries relative to the US (the benchmark). The results indicate that countries with a better shape of domestic firms, as well as countries that are larger, have a more competitive market relative to the US. Further, I find that countries with less competitive markets experience a greater increase in competition over the sample period, suggesting that firms enter where competition is less fierce.

To close the paper, I use the estimates to evaluate three counterfactual predictions related to tariffs and competition. First, focusing on multilateral liberalization, I calculate the role of changing competitiveness during the course of Uruguay Round tariff cuts. I find that the Uruguay Round increased competition

---

[7]Okubo and Tomiura (2013) do provide regional estimates of productivity distributions in Japan using firm-level data, and find that productivity is more left-skewed in agglomerated regions. Newer work is moving toward using the log-normal distribution to better match the moments of the data. See Head, Mayer, and Thoenig (2013).

across 85% of country-industry pairs, with this effect most likely in developed markets such as the US, UK, and Germany.[8] Next, I use the structural model and estimates to evaluate the extent to which unilateral liberalization increases competition, where I find the striking result that in nearly every country-industry pair, unilateral tariff cuts decrease long-run competition. In the few instances that it does not, this occurs in very small and under-developed countries. Finally, I assess the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership, where I find that competition is predicted to increase strongly within the agreement, but that outsiders will experience a fall in competition.

Overall, this paper adds a new tool in the evaluation of tariffs and other trade shocks. The structural estimation is related to Eaton and Kortum (2002), Eaton, Kortum, and Kramarz (2011), Caron, Fally, and Markusen (2012), Edmond, Midrigan, and Xu (2012), and Breinlich and Cuñat (2013), though it is most like Dekle, Eaton, and Kortum (2008) and Caliendo and Parro (2012) in that changes to aggregate terms are a simple function of observable data. However, the simple relationship I uncover works through the proportionality of average profits and average revenues, which is distinct from Dekle, Eaton, and Kortum (2008) and Caliendo and Parro (2012), and may vary country-by-industry with the shape of the Pareto distribution. Hsieh and Ossa (2011) also allow for country-by-industry heterogeneity, though focus on the support of the distribution rather than the shape.[9]

The paper is also related to Arkolakis, Costinot, and Rodriguez-Clare (2011), Arkolakis, Costinot, Donaldson, and Rodríguez-Clare (2012), Costinot and Rodríguez-Clare (2012) and Burstein and Cravino (2012), which examine the welfare gains from trade for a wide class of models. My approach is distinct in that it focuses on only entry as the conduit for aggregate effects. However, my paper exploits proportionality in average profits and average revenues at the bilateral level, which is similar to the aggregate restrictions in Arkolakis, Costinot, and Rodriguez-Clare (2011). More importantly, I do not evaluate aggregate gains from trade but rather on how firms-respond to a give tariff shock in terms of entry decisions. Indeed, combining all approaches may yield future gains in terms of unpacking the components of firm-heterogeneity models and their impact on economic aggregates. Finally, my paper provides two ways to view selection and the response of selection to shocks, complementing the theoretical treatment in Mrázová and Neary (2013).

---

[8]This is consistent with the empirical work in Feenstra and Weinstein (2010), which estimates that mark-ups in the US have fallen over this period.

[9]Recent work in Feenstra (2014) examines the role of the Pareto distribution bounds for the sources of gains from trade.

2 General Setup and Motivation

In terms of the general setup, I will utilize the framework in Melitz and Ottaviano (2008) as the base model. However, I will adjust this particular firm-heterogeneity model to account for differences in productivity distributions across supplying countries, in tastes across consuming countries, and for differences in the level of "internal" mark-up within each market. Further, I will discuss how other models (eg. constant elasticity demand) relate to the structural relationships presented in the manuscript.

Consumers

Consumer preferences in each country are specified according to the following form

$$U_l = x_{0,l}^c + \theta_l \int_{i \in \Omega_l} q_{i,l}^c di - \frac{1}{2}\eta \left(\int_{i \in \Omega_l} q_{i,l}^c di \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\gamma \int_{i \in \Omega_l} \left(q_{i,l}^c \right)^2 di, \tag{1}$$

where Ω_l represents the measure of varieties available in country l, $q_{i,l}^c$ is the consumption of variety i by the representative consumer in l, and the parameters θ_l (> 0) and η (> 0) determine the substitution pattern between the differentiated industry and the outside good, $x_{0,l}^c$. Note that I allow θ_l to differ across countries, which implies that countries may differ fundamentally in their valuation for the differentiated good relative to the numeraire. Finally, γ (> 0) represents the degree to which varieties are substitutable. If γ were zero, all firms would price at the same level, since products would be homogeneous in the eyes of the consumer.

The budget constraint faced by consumers in country l is written as:

$$x_{0,l}^c + \int_{i \in \Omega_j} p_{i,l}^c q_{i,l}^c di \leq I_l \tag{2}$$

where $p_{i,l}^c$ is the delivered consumer price of variety i to l. Note that implicit in this budget constraint is the assumption that the numeraire is freely traded. As in the existing literature, I will assume that income I_l is such that consumers have positive consumption in both the outside good and differentiated industries.

Hence, the inverse demand function for a given variety i in country l is derived as:

$$p_{i,l}^c = \underbrace{\theta_l - \eta Q_l^c}_{A_l} - \underbrace{\frac{\gamma}{L_l}}_{b_l} q_{i,l} = A_l - b_l q_{i,l} \tag{3}$$

In (3), $q_{i,l}$ is total quantity sold of i to all consumers in l, Q_l^c is the total quantity sold by all firms to the representative consumer in l, and A_l contains all aggregate terms within the demand curve for each variety in l. The focus of the paper will be how competition changes with tariffs as reflected in A_l. Finally, b_l will measure the slope of the aggregate demand curve for each variety in l, which is γ scaled inversely by the number of consumers in l.

Firms

The characterization of firms in each country j is relatively simple. Firms enter under uncertainty, paying a fixed entry cost F_j. Upon entry, firms from country j draw a marginal cost c from a country-specific Pareto distribution, which I will detail shortly. Then, amongst M total markets, firms serve all profitable markets and earn profits. I introduce the firm's problem by backward induction.

Post-entry Production

Each firm from a given country j may sell one variety to each market, paying an ad-valorem tariff τ_{jl} on the value of each unit sold from j to l. Note that I allow this tariff to be negative, in that case implying an import subsidy, and that $\tau_{jl} = 0$ when $j = l$. In addition to the tariff, all firms selling to market l will be subject to an ad-valorem sales tax $\tilde{s}_l$. Though I refer to it as a sales tax for exposition, I will later discuss how other domestic characteristics have a similar effect on demand.[10] The relationship between the consumer price for variety i detailed in (3) and the price that the foreign producer of i receives is $p_{i,jl}^c = (1 + \tau_{jl})(1 + \tilde{s}_l)p_{i,jl}^s$. This yields the following inverse demand function that supplier i from country

---

[10] And though it may seem superfluous for a majority of the theory, $\tilde{s}_l$ will be crucial in terms of deriving an empirical specification that is robust to unobserved market-specific shocks.

j uses to optimally set production for market l.

$$p_{i,jl}^s = \frac{1}{t_{jl}s_l}(A_l - b_l q_{i,jl})$$

where, $t_{jl} = (1 + \tau_{jl})$ and $s_l = (1 + \tilde{s}_l)$.

Firms choose quantities to maximize profits, where the maximization problem for firm i from j exporting to l is written as:

$$\pi_{i,jl}(c_i) = \max_{q_{i,jl}} \left\{ \frac{1}{t_{jl}s_l}(A_l - b_l q_{i,jl}) \cdot q_{i,jl} - c_i q_{i,jl} \right\}.$$

Suppressing i's for the remainder of the paper, the optimal quantity in selling to l from j is written as,

$$q_{jl}(c) = \frac{A_l - ct_{jl}s_l}{2b_l},$$

producer revenues are written as

$$v_{jl}(c) = \frac{A_l^2 - (ct_{jl}s_l)^2}{4b_l t_{jl}s_l},$$

and profits are written as

$$\pi_{jl}(c) = \frac{(A_l - ct_{jl}s_l)^2}{4b_l t_{jl}s_l}.$$

Productivity and Entry

As stated above, when firms enter they receive a draw of productivity from a country-specific productivity distribution. Specifically, we assume that firms draw from the following Pareto distribution with parameters that vary by country within the differentiated industry.

$$g(c) = k_j \frac{c^{k_j-1}}{(c_j^m)^{k_j}} \quad, \quad c \in [0, c_j^m] \tag{4}$$

In (4), there are two-layers of productivity heterogeneity across countries. First, slightly more standard in the literature is variation in the upper-bound of the distribution c_j^m, which we henceforth assume to

be non-binding for any country selling to any market.[11] The second-layer, which is non-standard (other than a similar class of heterogeneity in Demidova (2008) and Demidova and Rodriguez-Clare (2011)), is variation in the Pareto parameter, k_j. Variation in this parameter across countries will be crucial for the results, and we will discuss the empirical implications of this parameter shortly.

Although the literature almost generally assumes that Pareto shape is constant across countries within an industry, there is growing evidence that productivity distributions may differ in nuanced ways within industries. For example, in Bremus, Buch, Russ, and Schnitzer (2013), there exist significant differences in the firm-size distribution within the banking industry. Further, in the World Bank Exporter Dynamics Database, described in Cebeci, Fernandes, Freund, and Pierola (2012), there are significant differences in within-HS4 exporter size distributions.[12]

To further motivate these more nuanced differences in productivity distribution, I now solve for the average (surviving) firm-level export value from country j to import market l. Precisely, given that a firm from j can serve market l if $c < \frac{A_l}{t_{jl}s_l}$, I integrate firm-level revenues, $v_{jl}(c)$, over $[0, \frac{A_l}{t_{jl}s_l}]$ subject to the truncated productivity distribution, $\frac{g_j(c)}{G_j(\frac{A_l}{t_{jl}s_l})}$:

$$E\left[v_{jl} \mid c < \frac{A_l}{s_l t_{jl}}\right] = \int_0^{\frac{A_l}{s_l t_{jl}}} \frac{\left(A_l^2 - (cs_l t_{jl})^2\right)}{4b_l s_l t_{jl}} \frac{g_j(c)}{G_j(\frac{A_l}{s_l t_{jl}})} = \frac{A_l^2}{2b_l s_l t_{jl}(k_j + 2)} \tag{5}$$

In (5), the average surviving firm-level export value *does not* depend on the upper bound of the Pareto parameter. This is due to average export value being a truncated average (conditional on export status). Thus, when imposing the Pareto distribution, and after controlling for tariffs, average exporter size within an industry does not vary across exporters unless the Pareto parameter k_j differs across j. Further, given the monotone relationship between revenues and elasticities, average elasticities do not vary when k_j is homogenous since average firm-level revenues do not vary.[13]

In Figure 1, I present evidence using transaction-level import data from Colombia that is not consistent with the assumption of constant k_j across exporters. Specifically, I show that within HS6 products, there

---

[11]For example, see Melitz and Ottaviano (2008), Hsieh and Ossa (2011) and Bombardini, Kurz, and Morrow (2012).

[12]Specifically, by regressing log of the 3rd quartile of exporter value with the median on country and HS4 fixed effects, we only capture 25% of the variation in exporter size distributions.

[13]See Spearot (2013).

Figure 1: Total Exports and Average Firm-level Exports to Colombia - Within HS6
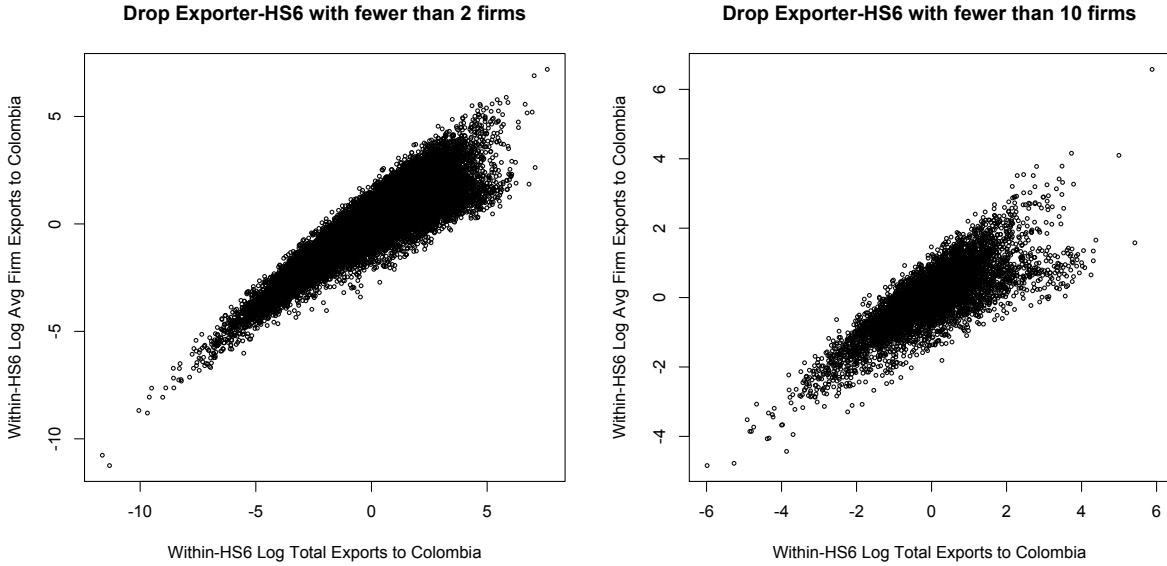
Notes: This figure plots the log of average firm-level exports to Colombia by Exporter-HS6 group against the log of total exports to Colombia by Exporter-HS6 group. All data de-meaned by HS6 product. Left-panel requires two or more firms to construct Exporter-HS6 average, and right-panel requires 10 or more firms. All data from 2003.

is a strong and positive relationship between total export value to Colombia by Exporter-HS6 group (V_{jl}), and the average revenues earned by the successful exporting firms $(\overline{v}_{jl})$ within the same Exporter-HS6 group. While this relationship is intuitive, with no variation in k_j, there should be no such relationship in the data. Further, in Spearot (2013), I provide evidence the rejects the assumption of constant tariff elasticities when evaluating MFN tariff cuts and imports to the US. On both levels, allowing for k_j's to differ by country and industry is important to capture the composition of exporting firms across countries, and the response of these firms to shocks.

Long Free Entry

With the basics of the model and the motivation for varying Pareto shape parameters in-hand, I now turn to the free entry conditions, where firms enter until the expected profits are equal to a fixed cost of entry,

F_j. By imposing the Pareto assumption in (4), the expected profits of selling from j to l are written as:

$$\overline{\pi}_{jl} = \frac{A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+2)(k_j+1)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j+1}s_l^{k_j+1}}.$$

Aggregating over all available markets, the free entry condition for country j is written as:

$$\sum_l \frac{A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+2)(k_j+1)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j+1}s_l^{k_j+1}} = F_j. \tag{6}$$

In (6), the key issue is that if k_j's are identical across countries and equal to k, then the long-run equilibrium consists of a system of equations which are linear in A_l^{k+2} for all l. However, when k_j's vary, the system of free entry conditions will exhibit a different degree of non-linearity for each country. Indeed, this can lead to multiple solutions to the system of free entry conditions such that $A_l > 0$ for all l.[14] However, there exists a simple solution to how this system changes with tariffs, which I now derive.[15]

2.1 Tariffs and Free Entry conditions.

I now examine how the system of free entry conditions in (6) responds to an arbitrary group of tariff shocks. Specifically, I will focus on how the A's respond to tariffs, within an industry and subject to an arbitrary number of trading partners. Indeed, the A's are an important measure (in some cases a sufficient statistic) to evaluate welfare within firm heterogeneity models (Melitz and Ottaviano, 2008; Melitz and

[14] An earlier working paper details these issues using a two-country model in which two solutions are possible, and numerically solves a three-country model in which 6 candidate solutions exist on the interior.

[15] Though only used in the Appendix for extended intuition within a two-country model, the final component of the equilibrium is the number of firms that enter each country, which given the solution(s) to the system of free entry conditions, are pinned down using the definition of A_l. To back-out the number of entering firms, note that $\overline{q}_{jl}^c$, the expected quantity sold to the representative consumer in l by a given entrant in j, is written as:

$$\overline{q}_{jl}^c = \frac{A_l^{k_j+1}}{\gamma(k_j+1)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j}s_l^{k_j}}$$

Using $A_l = \theta_l - \eta\sum_j N_j \overline{q}_{jl}^c$, where N_j is the number of firms that have entered j, N_j's are linked to A_l via

$$A_l = \theta_l - \eta\sum_j N_j \frac{A_l^{k_j+1}}{\gamma(k_j+1)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j}s_l^{k_j}}. \tag{7}$$

In equilibrium, this linear system of equations in N_j (given A_l's) will determine when a candidate solution to free entry conditions in (6) is consistent with $N_j > 0$ for all j.

Redding, 2013). Below, I provide a general solution to how the A's change with tariffs, and also provide a simple formula that maps a matrix of trade flows within an industry to a unique set of changes to A's after a trade shock.[16]

To begin, fully differentiating the free entry condition for j with respect to all A_l's and t_{jl}'s, we get:

$$\sum_l \frac{A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+1)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j+1}s_l^{k_j+1}}\frac{dA_l}{A_l} = \sum_l \frac{A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+2)(c_j^m)^{k_j}t_{jl}^{k_j+1}s_l^{k_j+1}}\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} \tag{8}$$

Multiplying both sides by $N_j\frac{(k_j+1)}{(k_j+2)}$, and noting that trade value from j to l can be written as,

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l s_l^{k_j+1}t_{jl}^{k_j+1}(k_j+2)(c_j^m)^{k_j}}, \tag{9}$$

equation (8) can be simplified as:

$$\sum_{l=1..M} V_{jl}\frac{dA_l}{A_l} = \frac{(k_j+1)}{(k_j+2)}\sum_l V_{jl}\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}}. \tag{10}$$

Note that the direct impact of t_{jl} is a function of the value of trade, V_{jl}, and a function of the Pareto shape parameter, $\frac{(k_j+1)}{(k_j+2)}$. The former governs the size of shocks relative to other markets that j serves. In terms of the latter, the shape correction $\frac{(k_j+1)}{(k_j+2)}$ governs the average elasticity of producers in j on any market, and hence, the responsiveness of producers from j to demand shocks within each market.[17]

Stacking all differentiated free entry conditions in matrix form, and solving for $\frac{dA_l}{A_l}$'s, we have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{dA_1}{A_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dA_l}{A_l} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dA_m}{A_m} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{11} & \cdots & V_{1l} & \cdots & V_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ V_{l1} & \cdots & V_{ll} & \cdots & V_{1l} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ V_{m1} & \cdots & V_{lm} & \cdots & V_{mm} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{k_1+1}{k_1+2}\sum_{r=1..m}V_{1r}\frac{dt_{1r}}{t_{1r}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{k_l+1}{k_l+2}\sum_{r=1..m}V_{lr}\frac{dt_{lr}}{t_{lr}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{k_m+1}{k_m+2}\sum_{r=1..m}V_{mr}\frac{dt_{mr}}{t_{mr}} \end{pmatrix} \tag{11}$$

The power of this transformation is that the movement of the demand curve in each country subsequent to

---

[16]For those readers interested in extended intuition from a two-country framework, see Appendix D.

[17]This is similar to the type of demand shock that is identified in Foster, Haltiwanger, and Syverson (2008).

an arbitrary group of trade shocks is a simple structural function of (in theory) observable trade and pro-
ductivity data. With regard the former, one needs domestic sales by domestic firms along with trade data
to fill the square matrix of trade flows. There are additional terms related to the shape of the productivity
distribution, but these can be estimated using firm-level data, and later, I detail a strategy to estimate these
shape parameters structurally using aggregate data. Using both trade data and the structural estimates,
I can then predict in which countries and industries a trade shock increases competition.

Comparison to Constant-elasticity Demand

As (11) is derived using a fairly specific preference structure, a natural question is to what degree the
relationship between competition and tariffs is general for other demand systems, and other assumptions
over trade costs. In Appendix A, I derive a similar result for CES demand system of the form,

$$q_{i,l} = \frac{I_l p_i^{-\sigma_l}}{\int_{i \in \Omega_l} p_s^{1-\sigma_l} ds}$$

where σ_l is the elasticity of substitution within the differentiated sector in country l, I_l is income in country
l spent on the differentiated industry, $\int_{i \in \Omega_l} p_s^{1-\sigma_l} ds$ is a transformation of the CES-type price index for
country l, and p_i is the price of each variety. I allow for arbitrary bilateral ad-valorem tariffs (t_{jl}) and
fixed costs (F_{jl}) in serving each market. Further, I make no assumptions over the cost distribution other
than that it is well-behaved. Defining $B_l = \frac{I_l}{\int_{i \in \Omega_l} p_s^{1-\sigma} ds} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1} \right)^{1-\sigma}$ as the analogous demand level within
the CES setup, we can write profits of j selling to l as $\pi_{jl}^{ces} = B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c_i^{1-\sigma_l} - F_{jl}$, and firm-level trade value
as $v_{jl}^{ces} = \sigma_l B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c_i^{1-\sigma_l}$. Given these assumptions, the link between an arbitrary set of trade shocks and
demand level changes in each country is written as:

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} \frac{dB_1}{B_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{\sigma_r} \frac{dB_r}{B_r} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{\sigma_m} \frac{dB_m}{B_m} \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
V_{11} & \cdots & V_{1r} & \cdots & V_{1m} \\
\vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
V_{r1} & \cdots & V_{rr} & \cdots & V_{1r} \\
\vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
V_{m1} & \cdots & V_{rm} & \cdots & V_{mm}
\end{pmatrix}^{-1}
\begin{pmatrix} \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{1l}}{t_{1l}} V_{1l} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{rl}}{t_{rl}} V_{rl} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{ml}}{t_{ml}} V_{ml} \end{pmatrix}
$$

12

Hence, the effect of tariffs for CES has the same basic form as the quasi-linear quadratic preferences used in this paper, and in some cases is more general since no distributional assumptions have been used. However, since demand elasticities in CES are constant across markets, there are no differential effects of demand shocks on average profits across exporters within markets, and hence, no Pareto or other distributional correction is needed. Indeed, this is what distinguishes the variable-elasticity demand system from others, and the remainder of the paper will be focused on analytical results and empirical implementation of this demand system to evaluate the long-run effects of tariffs.

3   Theory to Empirics

Moving back to the quasi-linear quadratic model, the key to using (11) to generate a tariff counterfactual is the proxy for, or the estimation of, the unobserved Pareto shape parameters. Unfortunately, existing firm-level studies such as Di Giovanni, Levchenko, and Ranciere (2011) and Eaton, Kortum, and Kramarz (2011) do not provide Pareto shape estimates that vary by both industry and country, and thus I must find another way to account for the shape parameters.[18] Below, I outline an approach that treats the shape parameters as the primary object of estimation. Indeed, this is sensible given that the shape parameters are the only free parameters other than trade data and trade shocks in (11).

To begin, defining $\Lambda \equiv V^{-1}$, and Λ_{ls} representing the lth row and s^{th} column of Λ, one can expand the solution for $\frac{dA_l}{A_l}$ from (11) as follows:

$$\frac{dA_l}{A_l} = \sum_{s=1..m} \Lambda_{ls} \frac{k_s+1}{k_s+2} \sum_{r=1..m} V_{sr} \frac{dt_{sr}}{t_{sr}}$$

Log-differentiating (9) with respect to A_l, t_{jl}, and N_j, and substituting for $\frac{dA_l}{A_l}$, we get:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = (k_j+2)\left(\sum_{s=1..m} \Lambda_{ls} \frac{k_s+1}{k_s+2} \sum_{r=1..m} V_{sr} \frac{dt_{sr}}{t_{sr}}\right) - (k_j+1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} \tag{12}$$

In (12) there are M Pareto parameters to estimate. Further, we can also employ M exporter fixed effects

---

[18]Further, their estimates are scaled by the elasticity of substitution, and hence, additional estimates of demand elasticities are required to recover the fundamental productivity parameters.

to absorb the changes to the number of entering firms, $\frac{dN_j}{N_j}$. However, as long as there are more than $2M$ trading relationships (there is a maximum of MxM), one can estimate these parameters and fixed effects by using variation across trading partners within each exporter.

Other Importer and Exporter Shocks

We have yet to account for other shocks, such as changes in market size L_l, the internal tax s_l, or shifts in the upper-bound of the cost distribution, c_j^m. Further, though not modeled due to the presence of the outside good, there may also be changes in wages in supplying markets or the marginal utility of income in consuming markets. All of these shocks affect trade growth as well as the structural relationship within the free entry conditions, and complicate the estimation of shape parameters required for counterfactuals.[19]

By adopting a similar approach as in (12) - that is, expanding $\frac{dA_l}{A_l}$ to include all other shocks - we can estimate shape parameters and other shocks using the following (rather complicated) equation.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} &= (k_j+2)\left(\sum_{s=1..m}\Lambda_{ls}\frac{k_s+1}{k_s+2}\left(\sum_{r=1..m}V_{sr}\left(\frac{dt_{sr}}{t_{sr}}-\frac{1}{k_s+1}d_r^m+\frac{1}{k_s+1}d_s^x\right)\right)\right) \\
&\quad - (k_j+1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}}+d_l^m-d_j^x+n_j^x
\end{aligned}
\tag{13}
$$

In (13), given data to construct $\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}}$, Λ, V_{sr}, and $\frac{dt_{sr}}{t_{sr}}$, we are left to estimate M separate d_j^x's, d_l^m's, n_j^x's and finally, k_j's. In terms of model parameters, $d_l^m = s_l - b_l$, $d_j^x = k_j\frac{dc_j^m}{c_j^m}+\frac{dF_j}{F_j}$ and $n_j^x = \frac{dN_j}{N_j}+\frac{dF_j}{F_j}$. However, to avoid such a complicated estimating equation, there exists a simple transformation on the model that consistently estimates shape parameters and satisfies the long-run aspects of the model.

To begin, define $C_l = \frac{A_l}{s_l}$, which is precisely the least productive domestic firm in l. Hence, $\frac{dC_l}{C_l} = \frac{dA_l}{A_l} - \frac{ds_l}{s_l}$ is the percent change in the least productive firm that operates in country l. Importantly, if s_l is changing, we can only identify changes to $\frac{A_l}{s_l}$. However, this is not so bad since C_l still a valid measure of competition on market l via selection. Log-differentiating trade values, and adding error in the

---

[19]See Simonovska (2010) for an analysis of income effects within trade models, and Cosar and Fajgelbaum (2012) and Atkin and Donaldson (2012) for the effects of internal frictions.

14

measurement of trade growth, we get:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = (k_j + 2)\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - (k_j + 1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{ds_l}{s_l} - \frac{db_l}{b_l} - k_j\frac{dc_j^m}{c_j^m} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \varepsilon_{jl}$$

By log-differentiating the free entry condition for country j, we get:

$$\sum_{l=1}^{M} V_{jl}\left((k_j + 2)\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - (k_j + 1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{ds_l}{s_l} - \frac{db_l}{b_l} - k_j\frac{dc_j^m}{c_j^m} - \frac{dF_j}{F_j}\right) = 0$$

Note that log-differentiated trade value and the log differentiated free-entry condition share many of the same common terms. This motivates a simple "two-step" procedure to estimate shape parameters but also quantify the fixed effects that satisfy the long-run structure of the model.

For the first step, using a non-linear estimator, and data for $\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}}$ and $\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}}$, we estimate a trade growth equation as a function of k_j's, $\frac{dC_l}{C_l}$'s, d_l's and d_j's.

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = (k_j + 2)\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - (k_j + 1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + d_l + d_j + \varepsilon_{jl} \tag{14}$$

Since there will be bilateral variation in tariffs, t_{jl}, the trade growth equation can identify values of $(k_j + 1)$ as an exporter-specific coefficient on $\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}}$. However, to successfully identify $\frac{dC_l}{C_l}$'s, we must exclude at least one group in the importer and exporter fixed effects (d_l and d_j).[20]

To satisfy the long-run structure of the model, step two simply requires rearranging (14) after collecting residuals, $\widehat{\varepsilon}_{jl}$, and solving for implied changes to entry conditions:

$$\sum_{l=1}^{M} V_{jl}\left(\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} - \widehat{\varepsilon}_{jl} - \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - \frac{dF_j}{F_j}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \widehat{n}_j = \frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \frac{dF_j}{F_j} = \frac{dV_j}{V_j} - \sum_{l=1}^{M} s_{jl}\widehat{\varepsilon}_{jl} \tag{15}$$

where $s_{jl} = \frac{V_{jl}}{\sum_{l=1}^{M} V_{jl}}$ is the share of j's sales that go to l. Interestingly, this technique is equivalent to

---

[20]Within a CES context, this equation would be $\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = k_j\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j\frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma-1}\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + d_l + d_j + \varepsilon_{jl}$, though the importer and exporter fixed effects would have a slightly different interpretation. Specifically, internal tax plays no role in the import market fixed effect, and one needs to make precise assumptions regarding any shocks to the fixed costs of entry. See Appendix C.

expanding the solution for $\frac{dC_l}{C_l}$ to account for all shocks (this is made clear in appendix B). However, the presented two-step procedure is much more revealing in that all exporter and importer shocks are the same in both trade values and free entry conditions with the exception of N_j and F_j. Hence, we can use the residuals from the trade growth equation along with the structure of the free entry conditions to solve for the implied changes to entry conditions that satisfy the long-run structure of the model. Later, we will compare $\frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \frac{dF_j}{F_j}$ to observed changes in the number of establishments to the test the validity of this approach.[21]

I now outline the data to be used in estimation, and present the results from estimation using a case study of tariff cuts subsequent to the Uruguay round.

4   The Long of Manufacturing in the 90's

In this section, I structurally estimate trade flows, and the Pareto parameters that govern them, using sectoral data during the implementation period of Uruguay Round WTO tariff cuts. The primary data I use is sourced from the Trade, Production, and Protection database from the World Bank, as described in Nicita and Olarreaga (2007). The dataset itself consists of two files, both reported at the 3-digit ISIC classification (revision 2). The first is a bilateral trade dataset that includes importer and exporter-reported trade values. The second is a country-level dataset that reports output by industry, along with aggregate exports and imports, and trade protection measures.[22] Tariff data at the ISIC level is obtained from the Worldbank TRAINS dataset, where for each exporter-importer-ISIC group, I use the average applied tariff across corresponding HS6 products. If the applied tariff is not reported, I use the importer-ISIC most-favored nation tariff as a substitute. I now describe the construction of the sample, by industry.

The primary requirements for the empirical strategy outlined in the previous section are a matrix of trade values prior to liberalization, tariff growth rates, and the subsequent growth rates in trade. All growth rates are measured in log changes. To define the set of countries active in a given industry i in a given year, I first restrict the sample to those countries that report output in that industry in that year (ie. countries within which firms have entered). Then, subject to this restricted set of countries, compare

---

[21]Unlike Step 1, Step 2 is the exact same under a CES model. See Appendix C.

[22]Since New Zealand and China do not report the required data within the World Bank dataset, I obtain supplemental information from the CEPII "TradeProd" dataset as described in De Sousa, Mayer, and Zignago (2012).

exporter-reported exports and importer-reported imports for each country pair. I keep bilateral trade data in the sample if both the importer and exporter report that trade occurred. I assign domestic sales from j to j as total output in that industry i in that year minus total exports. For exports from j to l in industry i, I use the exporter reported FOB trade values.

The two years I use to construct growth rates in trade are 1994 and 2000. The motivation for these two years is that Uruguay Round tariff cuts were implemented in large part over this period, and hence, this is a period of large and quasi-exogenous changes to tariffs that provide useful variation for estimating the parameters in (14). All initial conditions are measured in 1994. When trade data is missing for 1994 or 2000, I use averages from 1993 and 1995 for the former, and 1999 and 2001 for the latter. While not ideal, this choice is made on the side of caution so as to include as many trading relationships as possible, independent of whether a country reports trade values in 1994 or 2000. When tariff data is missing for 1994, I take the maximum applied tariff over the period 1990-1994 (Uruguay Round negotiation period). When tariff data is missing in 2000, I use the minimum tariff over the period 2000-2004. The final sample includes 58 countries, which is slightly larger than the sample in Dekle, Eaton, and Kortum (2008). However, not all countries will be available for every industry.

Estimation

To estimate M Pareto shape parameters, M exporter shocks, M importer shocks, and M changes in competition for each industry, I estimate (14) via non-linear least squares (NLS). Given the large number of parameters to estimate, I use a simulated annealing algorithm to ensure that the estimates do not converge at a local minimum (rather than global).[23] Since Pareto shape parameters should be positive for a properly defined PDF, I use constrained NLS to ensure that the estimates are consistent with a properly defined productivity distribution. I will report the degree to which the estimates are at the bounds. Indeed, this is the working assumption in trade theory. I also bound the exporter and importer shocks to lie between -5 and 5 (log growth) to reduce the size of the parameter space. Finally, since the trade equation outlined in (14) is primarily driven by an interaction of variables that vary (individually)

---

[23]Simulated annealing is essentially a "smart" grid search that randomly chooses points within a pre-defined space and builds up picture of the estimating surface. The algorithm slowly reduces the search space as good candidate solutions arise. The procedure I use is described by the coding authors in Xiang, Gubian, Suomela, and Hoeng (2013).

in j and l, I cannot identify all exporter and importer shocks while still being able to recover $\frac{dA_l}{A_l} - \frac{ds_l}{s_l}$. Hence, for one country within each industry, I normalize the d_j and d_l shocks to zero.

Once all k_j's have been estimated, I examine the validity of the procedure by associating the estimated k_j's with outside measures, such as development, country size, and production technology by country-industry.[24] Then, I return to the main question of the paper - the link between tariffs and competition. First, I derive a technique to use the shape estimates to measure relative competition across markets. Finally, using the solution in (11), I calculate the contribution of tariff cuts over the period 1994 to changes in A's, and also use the model to generate the predicted effects of unilateral liberalization and proposed trade agreements.

4.1 Results

To begin, Table 1 reports the average and median k_j estimates by industry, the share of those estimates that hit the lower bound (zero), and the number of countries used within each industry for estimation. In the last row of the table, which tabulates the average and median shape estimates across all manufacturing industries, we find that the median shape estimate of 1.47 is in the vicinity of estimates of the firm-size distribution for France, as discussed in Eaton, Kortum, and Kramarz (2011) and Di Giovanni, Levchenko, and Ranciere (2011).[25] However, it is notable that approximately 10% of estimates are predicted to be at the lower bound of the constrained NLS procedure (zero).

In terms of goodness of fit, I present two diagnostic measures related to the improvement in the sum of squared residuals (SSR) when allowing for shape heterogeneity. First, I report the simple improvement (reduction) in SSR when allowing for shape variation, which will obviously be positive since we are allowing for a more flexible model with such variation. However, the improvement in SSR is substantial, where in the column labeled "% Improve", the sum of squared error falls by around 22% on average, with some industries exhibiting massive reductions in SSR ("Manufacture of miscellaneous products of petroleum and coal" falls 66%, for example). More rigorously, in the last column of Table 1, I compare the shape heterogeneity model with the homogeneous shape model using a Wald statistic. Though the results are a

---

[24]The Pareto shape estimates are available at the author's website.

[25]For example, in Eaton, Kortum, and Kramarz (2011), the shape estimate for export values is 1.25, and is an estimate of $\frac{k}{\sigma-1}$, where σ is the elasticity of substitution. Adjusting using the median elasticity of substitution estimate of 2.2 from Broda and Weinstein (2006), the implied Pareto parameter of the productivity distribution is 1.04.

Figure 2: Estimate Pareto Shape Parameters, Development, and Country Size
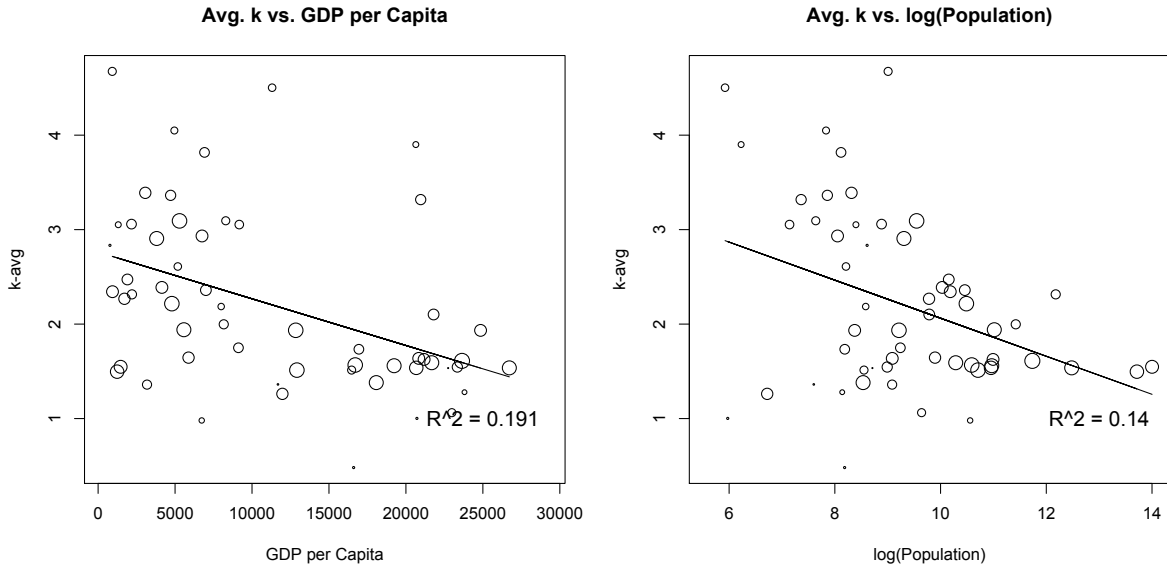
Notes: The left-hand figure is average k by country and GDP per capita, and the right-hand figure is average k by country and log of Population. Bubble size is proportional to number of observations per country.

bit noisy, for 12 of 28 industries we find a significant difference between the model with shape heterogeneity and the model without. Overall, I find that the shape estimates are sensible on average, but differ in a way meaningful for capturing trade flows.

Next, I present the tabulated results by country in Table 2. Again, there is wide variation across countries in the shape estimates, and these differences are economically meaningful. For example, while Chile has a mean shape estimate of 3.09, Canada has a mean shape estimate of 1.67. It terms of average exporter size as derived in (5), this difference implies that observed exporters from Canada are 38.6% larger than observed exporters from Chile when measured on a common market.

This heterogeneity more coherent in Figure 2, where in the left-hand panel there is a noticeable (and statistically significant) downward relationship between GDP per capita and average shape estimates by country.[26] In the right-hand panel of Figure 2, we find another negative (and significant) relationship between the log of population and average shape estimates. Hence, the results in Figure 2 suggest that developed and large countries tend to have a better shape of firms. An interesting implication of the

---

[26]GDP per capita and population data are sourced from the *Penn World Tables.*

Table 1: **Pareto Shape Estimates and Estimation Diagnostics - by Manufacturing Industry**

ISIC	Manufacturing Industry	# Ctry	Shape Estimates Avg.	Med.	at lower	at upper	SSR % Imp	$\Pr(\mathbf{W} > \chi^2_{\mathbf{q}})$
311	Food	53	0.93	0.47	0.19	0.02	0.14	1.000
313	Beverage industries	48	1.55	0.59	0.17	0.04	0.26	0.035**
314	Tobacco	39	2.13	1.52	0.23	0.03	0.37	0.000***
321	Textiles	48	2.77	2.63	0.08	0.04	0.22	0.986
322	Wearing apparel, except footwear	28	2.45	2.09	0.11	0.00	0.34	0.062*
323	Leather, products of leather, leather substitutes and fur, except footwear and wearing apparel	25	3.85	3.85	0.08	0.08	0.34	0.000***
324	Footwear, except vulcanized or moulded rubber or plastic footwear	37	2.37	1.20	0.11	0.08	0.30	0.000***
331	Wood and cork products, except furniture	45	1.82	0.74	0.13	0.09	0.22	1.000
332	Furniture and fixtures, except primarily of metal	44	1.26	0.90	0.07	0.02	0.20	1.000
341	Paper and paper products	51	2.24	1.57	0.16	0.06	0.22	1.000
342	Printing, publishing and allied industries	51	1.65	0.88	0.16	0.06	0.23	1.000
351	Industrial chemicals	35	1.17	1.01	0.14	0.00	0.25	0.978
352	Other chemical products	44	2.30	1.90	0.07	0.04	0.21	1.000
353	Petroleum refineries	32	3.93	3.87	0.12	0.06	0.34	0.000***
354	Misc. products of petroleum and coal	10	4.17	3.71	0.10	0.10	0.67	0.000***
355	Rubber products	36	2.39	1.85	0.03	0.03	0.23	0.000***
356	Plastic products not elsewhere classified	49	2.20	1.59	0.08	0.04	0.22	1.000
361	Pottery, china and earthenware	32	3.26	2.05	0.16	0.09	0.27	0.000***
362	Glass and glass products	43	2.24	1.66	0.07	0.02	0.22	0.685
369	Other non-metallic mineral products	47	2.37	1.86	0.13	0.06	0.24	1.000
371	Iron and steel basic industries	36	2.67	2.13	0.06	0.03	0.26	0.000***
372	Non-ferrous metal basic industries	26	2.70	2.08	0.15	0.04	0.28	0.446
381	Fabricated metal products (no machinery/equip.)	45	1.09	0.54	0.13	0.02	0.21	1.000
382	Machinery except electrical	30	0.69	0.30	0.13	0.00	0.25	0.000***
383	Electrical machinery, appliances and supplies	41	1.95	1.39	0.10	0.05	0.22	1.000
384	Transport equipment	38	2.13	1.29	0.13	0.05	0.18	1.000
385	Scientific/measuring/controlling/photographic equip.	29	1.62	1.41	0.17	0.03	0.27	0.978
390	Other Manufacturing Industries	22	1.81	1.05	0.14	0.04	0.29	0.000***

Notes: The column "lower" reports the share of estimates that are at the NLS estimation bound of k=0, and "upper" reports those at the upper bound of k=10. "# Cntry" reports the number of countries in the sample for each industry. "Improve" reports the percent improvement in SSR when allowing for shape heterogeneity. "$\Pr(\mathbf{W} > \chi^2_{\mathbf{q}})$" reports the p-value from a Wald test from restricting the coefficients with shape heterogeneity to the estimates assuming shape homogeneity. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

Table 2: **Average and Median Pareto Shape - by Country**

Country	#ISIC	Avg.	Med.	at lower	at upper	Country	#ISIC	Avg.	Med.	at lower	at upper
Argentina	20	2.94	2.19	0.10	0.05	**Latvia**	13	4.05	1.93	0.00	0.23
Australia	20	1.87	1.13	0.05	0.05	**Lithuania**	14	2.86	1.16	0.14	0.07
Austria	19	1.20	1.34	0.10	0.00	**Macedonia**	4	1.60	1.90	0.25	0.00
Belgium-Lux.	4	1.07	0.91	0.00	0.00	**Malaysia**	21	2.14	1.66	0.05	0.00
Benin	4	1.75	1.01	0.25	0.00	**Malta**	14	4.07	2.41	0.29	0.29
Bolivia	18	3.08	1.83	0.11	0.17	**Mexico**	17	1.57	1.64	0.12	0.00
Canada	26	1.67	1.40	0.04	0.00	**Moldova**	11	2.05	0.63	0.36	0.09
Chile	27	3.09	1.95	0.15	0.07	**Morocco**	20	2.57	1.86	0.10	0.05
China	24	1.62	1.52	0.00	0.00	**Netherlands**	15	1.28	1.21	0.00	0.00
Colombia	27	2.07	1.51	0.26	0.00	**New Zealand**	4	0.54	0.29	0.25	0.00
Costa Rica	18	3.94	3.78	0.22	0.11	**Norway**	22	1.66	1.41	0.04	0.00
Cyprus	21	2.45	1.42	0.24	0.14	**Oman**	15	2.39	0.81	0.27	0.07
Ecuador	26	2.24	1.92	0.19	0.08	**Panama**	19	2.96	1.63	0.32	0.16
Finland	26	1.62	1.63	0.12	0.00	**Poland**	10	1.02	0.70	0.00	0.00
France	22	1.47	1.50	0.00	0.00	**Portugal**	27	1.40	1.34	0.18	0.00
Germany	24	1.42	1.45	0.00	0.00	**Qatar**	11	3.69	1.94	0.27	0.27
Great Britain	26	1.50	1.58	0.04	0.00	**Romania**	22	1.95	1.39	0.14	0.00
Hungary	18	1.76	1.42	0.06	0.00	**Senegal**	15	3.30	2.81	0.40	0.13
India	25	1.57	1.56	0.04	0.00	**Slovakia**	12	0.81	0.66	0.42	0.00
Indonesia	17	2.30	1.58	0.00	0.06	**Slovenia**	3	1.86	0.91	0.00	0.00
Ireland	18	1.84	1.22	0.11	0.06	**Spain**	27	1.67	1.62	0.04	0.00
Israel	15	1.26	0.90	0.07	0.00	**Sri Lanka**	21	1.92	1.33	0.14	0.00
Italy	25	1.35	1.24	0.00	0.00	**Sweden**	22	1.56	1.49	0.04	0.00
Japan	28	1.61	1.27	0.00	0.00	**Trinidad and Tob.**	16	2.56	1.84	0.12	0.06
Jordan	21	2.54	1.96	0.19	0.05	**Tunisia**	17	2.38	1.57	0.12	0.00
Kenya	22	2.43	1.15	0.27	0.09	**Turkey**	26	2.04	1.79	0.15	0.00
Korea	27	2.01	1.61	0.07	0.00	**United States**	26	1.49	1.46	0.00	0.00
Kuwait	19	3.02	0.35	0.32	0.16	**Uruguay**	22	3.57	2.33	0.23	0.18
						Total	28	2.09	1.47	0.12	0.04

Notes: This table presents mean and median shape estimates by country. "at lower" reports the share of estimates that are at the NLS estimation bound of k=0. "at upper" reports those estimates that are at the upper bound k=10. "# ISIC" reports the number of ISIC industries for each country.

results for less-developed countries is that higher shape parameters may yield an additional component of volatility along with institutions or the natural implications of differences in country size as discussed in di Giovanni and Levchenko (2012). Indeed, within industries, countries with higher k estimates will be more responsive to shocks at the intensive and extensive margin, the former being related to higher absolute demand elasticities, and the latter due to the higher elasticity of survival to shocks.

To dig deeper into the associations between country and industry characteristics, I regress the shape estimates for industry i in country j against the log of country j GDP per capita and population, including industry fixed effects.

$$\widehat{k}_{ij} \quad = \quad \alpha_1 \log(GDPPC_j) + \alpha_2 \log(Population_j) + \alpha_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

The results from estimating (16) are presented in the first two columns of Table 3. Again, the results indicate that there is a negative and statistically significant relationship between Pareto shape parameters and both development and population. However, since we are using industry-fixed effects, we are absorbing all variation related to productivity distributions that may be specific to each industry.

To evaluate the robustness of these relationships, I now add measures of capital and input intensity, which are country-by-industry characteristics that may correlate with population and development, but also influence how cost draws govern profitability. For example, perhaps the cost-variation that is heterogeneous across firms is skewed toward capital (within a Cobb-Douglas aggregator), and hence, variation in cost draws may be amplified or mitigated via capital intensity. In terms of recovering shape parameters and associating them with development, if developed countries are more capital intensive, we may be erroneously associating higher development and lower k when in fact capital intensity is playing a role. Similarly, if larger, more developed countries have a larger cost share in outsourcing, but cost-variation is only applied to the cost share of final assembly, then again it is possible that we are erroneously associating shape estimates with these country-by-industry technology parameters.

To test for these possibilities, I acquire country-industry specific capital-labor and input-output ratios for 1994, and add them to the estimating equation. These ratios are obtained from the Trade, Production, and Protection dataset. To calculate the capital-labor ratio, I use the ratio of gross fixed capital formation

Table 3: Pareto Shape Estimates, Country and Industry Characteristics

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
log(GDP per Capita)	-0.278***	-0.366***	-0.344***	
	(0.089)	(0.059)	(0.081)	
log(Population)		-0.271***	-0.258***	
		(0.044)	(0.049)	
$\log(\frac{\text{Gross Fixed Capital}}{\text{Wages}})$			0.042	0.133
			(0.090)	(0.162)
$\log(\frac{\text{Output - Value Added}}{\text{Output}})$			-0.528	-0.212
			(0.409)	(0.426)
Observations	1,036	1,036	697	700
R^2	0.114	0.150	0.140	0.182
Industry Fixed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Country Fixed?	No	No	No	Yes

Notes: The dependent variable is the estimated Pareto shape parameter for industry i in country j. GDP per Capita and Population data sourced from the *Penn World Tables*. Output, Value Added, Gross Fixed Capital, and Wage data sourced from the Trade, Production, and Protection Database. Robust Standard Errors, exporter clusters. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

to wages. To calculate the input-output ratio, I take the difference between Output and Value-Added of industry i in country j and divide this measure by the output of industry i in country j. Adding these measures to the estimating equation, the results are presented in column (3) of Table 3. Here, we find no appreciable relationship between capital intensity or input intensity and estimated shape parameters. However, despite the much smaller sample (due to the availability of capital and labor data), the relationships of shape estimates to development and country size still remain. Finally, I test the relationships when including industry and country fixed effects, thereby leaving only variation in capital and input intensity. The coefficients are again insignificant. Hence, the results do not indicate that the variation in k_{ij} across countries within industries is associated with factor intensities.

Pareto Shape and Trade Flows

In Spearot (2013), I derive how countries are less responsive to trade shocks when their exporting firms are relatively large. To test the model, I use 10-digit data on imports to the US. Absent data on exporter-product Pareto shape parameters or average exporter size at that level of disaggregation, I discuss some conditions under which total export value from each exporter-product group is positively correlated with average exporting-firm size. In the current exercise, I evaluate whether within the market for industry i in country l, higher Pareto shape parameters of export suppliers correlate negatively with the value of trade. If so, this not only would confirm the strategy used in Spearot (2013), but would also provide a useful proxy for k_{ij}'s and average exporter size, since the domestic output data required to estimate these measures is not widely available across countries at more disaggregate levels than ISIC.

To test for this relationship, I regress the log of exports in industry i from exporter j to importer l in 1994 on the estimated shape parameter for industry i in exporter j, development in exporter j, population of exporter j, industry-importer (i, l) fixed effects, and eventually, bilateral (j, l) fixed effects.

$$\log(V_{ijl}) \quad = \quad \alpha_1 \widehat{k}_{ij} + \alpha_2 \log(GDPPC_j) + \alpha_3 \log(Population_j) + \alpha_{il} + \alpha_{jl} + \varepsilon_{ijl}$$

The results are presented in Table 4, where across all specifications, within importer-industry groups, the results indicate a strong and negative relationship between the Pareto shape parameter and total imports in industry i from exporter j. Though one-third the size, the association is still highly significant when controlling for exporter size and development. Notably, in columns (5) and (6), the relationship is enhanced when adding bilateral fixed effects to the specification (thereby controlling for gravity factors). Overall, it appears that lower shape values do correlate with larger trade flows within import markets, and the implied responsiveness is consistent with a better group of exporting firms producing farther down the representative demand curve in that market.

Fixed Effects and Establishment Growth

In section three, I show how the long-run structure of the model is satisfied by estimating a trade growth equation, and then solving for the implied changes to entry conditions, including the number of entering

Table 4: Pareto Shape Estimates and Relative Exporter Size

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\widehat{k}_{ij}$	-0.266***	-0.327***	-0.063***	-0.098***	-0.087***	-0.102***
	(0.017)	(0.015)	(0.016)	(0.013)	(0.010)	(0.011)
$\log(GDPPC_j)$			1.285***	1.489***		
			(0.035)	(0.027)		
$\log(Population_j)$			0.782***	0.884***		
			(0.018)	(0.014)		
Observations	26,565	25,501	25,440	24,404	26,565	25,501
ISIC-Imp Fixed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Imp-Exp Fixed?	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Domestic Trade?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

Notes: 21,887 Observations, 1,064 importer-industry fixed effects. The dependent variable is $\log(V_{i,j,l})$, which is the log of exports in industry i from exporter j to importer l in 1994. $\widehat{k}_{ij}$ are shape estimates for industry i in country j. Robust Standard Errors, exporter clusters. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

firms. I now use this latter relationship as a test of external validity, comparing the implied changes in the number of entering firms to observed establishment growth by country and industry. Establishment growth itself is not reported for many countries and industries, and also may not be specific to domestic firms entering each market. However, given that establishment growth is likely correlated with $\frac{dN_{ij}}{N_{ij}} + \frac{dF_{ij}}{F_{ij}}$, we use it as a proxy for domestic entry. In Table 5, I regress the implied changes in entry, $\frac{dN_{ij}}{N_{ij}} + \frac{dF_{ij}}{F_{ij}}$ via (15), on the observed changes to establishment growth over 1994-2000. In the first three columns, I do so using a model in which I constrain productivity shape to be homogeneous within an industry. Here, I find no significant relationship between implied entry growth and actually entry growth (with the sign also being incorrect). In the second three columns, I run the model allowing for shape variation, where I find that there is a significant and positive relationship between observed establishment growth and implied establishment growth by the model. Overall, the results in Table 5 provide external confirmation of the importance of shape heterogeneity in matching establishment growth, as well as the empirical implementation of the free-entry condition to capture changes in long-run entry patterns.

Table 5: Fixed Effects and Establishment Growth

| | $\frac{dN_{ij}}{N_{ij}} + \frac{dF_{ij}}{F_{ij}}$ | | | | | |
| | without Shape Variation | | | with Shape Variation | | |
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\log\left(N_{ij}^{00}/N_{ij}^{94}\right)$	-1.355	-0.593	-0.247	0.339***	0.304***	0.343***
	(0.883)	(0.626)	(0.977)	(0.063)	(0.063)	(0.096)
R^2	0.003	0.476	0.534	0.046	0.113	0.252
Industry Fixed?	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Country Fixed?	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes

Notes: The dependent variable is the predicted changes in entry conditions, $\frac{dN_{ij}}{N_{ij}} + \frac{dF_{ij}}{F_{ij}}$, over the period 1994-2000. The independent variable, $\log\left(N_{ij}^{00}/N_{ij}^{94}\right)$, is predicted establishment growth for industry i in country j. 813 Observations. Robust Standard Errors. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

5   Competition and Tariff Counterfactuals

In sections two and three, I derive how the effects of a set of tariff shocks can be written as a function of bilateral trade data and a vector of productivity shape parameters. In the appendix, I derive how within a two-country model the effects of a tariff cut can also be expressed using the shape parameters and the relative competitiveness of the countries involved in the liberalization. With the Pareto shape estimates by country-industry in-hand, I now use the shape parameters to estimate relative competition by country and industry, as well as changes to competition in response to tariff cuts.

5.1   Measuring Relative Competition

I utilize a standard gravity model to estimate relative competition across markets, using the shape estimates that were presented in section four as data. By doing so, we can calibrate trade flows to estimate relative competition across markets. To begin, by adding an iceberg distance cost from j to l, δ_{jl}, we can write

trade values as,

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j \left(\frac{A_l}{s_l}\right)^{k_j+2} s_l}{2b_l t_{jl}^{k_j+1}(k_j+2)\delta_{jl}^{k_j}(c_j^m)^{k_j}},$$

where the nature of competition will be reflected in the ratio $\frac{A_l}{s_l}$. While this is slightly different from the definition of competition in (3), it corresponds precisely with the domestic cost cutoff in country l. And ultimately, in the procedure outlined below, relative values of $\frac{A_l}{s_l}$ are the limit of what these techniques can identify.

In terms of δ_{jl}, we employ a typical gravity approach to iceberg distance costs, assuming that,

$$\delta_{jl} = \exp\left(\beta_1 col_{jl} + \beta_2 contig_{jl} + \beta_3 lang_{jl} + \beta_d \log(dist_{jl})\right),$$

where col_{jl} is a dummy identifying a common colonizer, $contig_{jl}$ is a dummy identifying border countries, $lang_{jl}$ is a dummy identifying a common language, and $dist_{jl}$ is the distance between capital cities.

Multiplying both sides of trade value by $t_{jl}^{k_j+1}$, and rearranging the right-hand side yields the following equation:

$$V_{jl} t_{jl}^{k_j+1} = \exp\left(\log\left(\frac{A_l}{s_l}\right)\cdot(k_j+2) + \beta_1 k_j col_{jl} + \beta_2 k_j contig_{jl} + \beta_3 k_j lang_{jl} + \beta_d k_j \log(dist_{jl}) + I_j^x + I_l^m\right)$$

where $I_j^x = \log N_j - \log(k_j+2) - k_j \log c_j^m$ and $I_l^m = \log s_l - \log 2 - \log b_l$. To fit the model, we use a Psuedo-Poisson Maximum Likelihood estimator as in Silva and Tenreyro (2006) and Fally (2012), including coefficients on (k_j+2) that vary by l. Recovering the estimates provides a measure of log differences of $\frac{A_l}{s_l}$ relative to some base group (which will be the US).

In Table 6, we regress the estimated relative values of competition for each market on productivity shape for that market, development, and country size. The results, though a bit noisy, are intuitive, where a higher shape (less productive firms) is associated with a less competitive market. In contrast, more developed markets and especially larger markets are associated with greater degrees of competition.

Next, having shown that the estimates for relative competition are sensible when compared with shape parameters and development, I now compare the estimates of relative competition with the fitted changes

Table 6: Competition and Country-Industry Characteristics

| | $\log(A_{il}/s_{il}) - \log(A_{iUS}/s_{iUS})$ | | | | | |
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\widehat{k}_{il}$	0.097***	0.036	0.029	0.169***	0.077*	0.061
	(0.036)	(0.028)	(0.023)	(0.050)	(0.040)	(0.037)
$\log(\text{GDP per Capita}_l)$		-0.159			-0.193	
		(0.132)			(0.137)	
$\log(\text{Population}_l)$		-0.440***			-0.446***	
		(0.079)			(0.084)	
Observations	1,004	1,004	1,004	830	830	830
R^2	0.441	0.519	0.655	0.443	0.522	0.680
Industry Fixed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Country Fixed?	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Include k=0 and k=10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

Notes: The dependent variable is $\log(A_{il}/s_{il}) - \log(A_{iUS}/s_{iUS})$, the estimated competitiveness of country l in industry i relative to the US. $\widehat{k}_{il}$ are shape estimates for industry i in country l. GDP per Capita and Population data sourced from the *Penn World Tables*. Robust Standard Errors, Exporter clusters. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

in competition from (14). Note that this is *not* a counterfactual related to the Uruguay Round tariff changes since we are including all shocks and their contribution to $\frac{dA_l}{A_l} - \frac{ds_l}{s_l}$ as estimated in (14). However, it is useful to compare these measures since it will give a sense of where competition changed relative to initial conditions. The correlations between relative competition and changes in competition are presented in Table 7. Clearly, there is a significant negative correlation between initial competition and changes in competition during the period 1994-2000. That is, less competitive markets (higher A) experienced larger percent reductions in A, suggesting that firms enter in markets where competition is less fierce.

5.2 Counterfactuals - Multilateral and Unilateral Tariff Cuts

I now use the shape estimates in conjunction with trade data and tariff cuts over 1994-2000 to run two counterfactual experiments. In the first, I evaluate a hypothetical, unilateral change in tariffs. Though multilateral changes in tariffs are the predominant focus within current rounds of trade negotiations, unilat-

Table 7: Initial Competition and Competition Growth

	$\Delta \log (A_{il}/s_{il})$			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
$\log (A_{il}/s_{il}) - \log (A_{iUS}/s_{iUS})$	-0.065***	-0.096***	-0.070***	-0.108***
	(0.017)	(0.022)	(0.020)	(0.025)
Observations	1,004	1,004	830	830
R^2	0.062	0.134	0.069	0.160
Industry Fixed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Country Fixed?	No	Yes	No	Yes
Include obs with k=0 and k=10	Yes	Yes	No	No

Notes: The dependent variable is $\Delta \log (A_{il}/s_{il})$, the estimated change to the domestic productivity cutoff of industry i in country l as calculated in stage one. $\log \left(\frac{A_{il}/s_{il}}{A_{iUS}/s_{iUS}} \right)$ is the estimated competitiveness of country l in industry i relative to the US. Robust Standard Errors. *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

eral tariff changes are an important input for the tariff-based prisoner's dilemma that trade agreements are designed to alleviate (Bagwell and Staiger (2009), Ossa (2010), and Bagwell and Staiger (2012)). Further, from Venables (1985) to Melitz and Ottaviano (2008), the literature makes the clear point that unilateral liberalization may lead to a less competitive market in the long-run. In section two, the answer is made precise by inputing a unilateral tariff cut in equation (11). Using this measure, in the right-most column for each country in Table 8, I calculate the percentage of industries for which unilateral liberalization increases competitiveness. The striking result in this column is that despite productivity heterogeneity, unilateral liberalization rarely increases competitiveness. When it does, this tends to happen in under-developed countries. Hence, at least via this particular counterfactual and the presented structural estimates, the data indicate that unilateral liberalization does in fact lead to a broad reduction in competition.

In the next exercise, I abstract from the estimated exporter and importer non-tariff shocks to calculate the degree to which tariff cuts increased or decreased competition over the period 1994-2000. Specifically, I am calculating the percent change in the demand level, $\frac{dA_l}{A_l}$, as presented in equation (11). In Table 8, for each country, I calculate the share of ISIC industries such that A falls due to the tariff cuts that occurred over this period. Overall, we find that A falls for 85% of country-industry pairs within the sample.

Developed nations such as the US exhibit a fall in A in all or nearly all industries.[27] Smaller, less-developed countries benefit to a lesser-degree in terms of the level of competitiveness on the domestic market.

As a final exercise, I simulate the proposed tariff cuts that are part of the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which is a large proposed regional free-trade area between Australia, Brunei, Chile, Canada, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the United States, and Vietnam. Although a few of the smaller countries within the proposed agreement are not available in the World Bank dataset, I use the proposed tariff cuts to predict changes in competition for member countries and outside countries. The results are presented in Table 9, where I have calculated the long-run impact of the tariff cuts for the TPP on its own and also including the proposed tariff cuts under the US-Korea Bilateral Free Trade Agreement. Since Korea chose *not* to participate in the TPP (for the medium-term at least), it is interesting to see what happens to competition on the Korean market when including the impact of the US-Korea bilateral agreement. Clearly, in the row labeled "Korea", without the US-Korea agreement the Korean domestic market becomes almost uniformly less competitive under the TPP. When including the US-Korea agreement, Korea becomes almost uniformly more competitive. As for the US, they become more competitive in most industries with the TPP alone, and modestly more competitive when including the US-Korea bilateral FTA. As for other countries with the TPP, the impacts are positive to mixed. Competition increases substantially in Australia, as well as in Chile, Mexico, Malaysia, and Japan. On the other hand, New Zealand and Canada see mixed changes to competition. What is not mixed, however, is the uniform reduction in competition in other large markets in Asia and Europe. For example, China, France, Germany, and Great Britain all see an almost uniform reduction in competition. Overall, the results suggest that reduced tariffs within the agreement are de-locating firms from markets not participating in these same tariff cuts.

6   Conclusion

This paper has evaluated the effect of tariffs when allowing for variation in a broad set of domestic characteristics, especially the shape of the productivity distribution. I provide a novel structural measure for changes to competitiveness that is a function of a trade matrix and Pareto shape parameters. I find

---

[27]This is consistent with the empirical work in Feenstra and Weinstein (2010), which shows that mark-ups in the US have fallen over this period.

Table 8: **Counterfactuals - Multilateral and Unilateral Tariff Cuts**

Country	#ISIC	1994-2000	Unilateral	Country	#ISIC	1994-2000	Unilateral
Argentina	20	0.95	0.00	**Latvia**	13	0.62	0.00
Australia	20	0.95	0.00	**Lithuania**	14	0.86	0.07
Austria	19	0.84	0.00	**Macedonia**	4	1.00	0.00
Belgium-Lux	4	0.25	0.00	**Malaysia**	21	0.81	0.00
Benin	4	0.75	0.25	**Malta**	14	0.36	0.00
Bolivia	18	0.94	0.00	**Mexico**	17	1.00	0.00
Canada	26	1.00	0.00	**Moldova**	11	0.36	0.00
Chile	27	1.00	0.04	**Morocco**	20	0.50	0.00
China	24	0.88	0.00	**Netherlands**	15	0.93	0.00
Colombia	27	0.89	0.00	**New Zealand**	4	1.00	0.00
Costa Rica	18	0.67	0.00	**Norway**	22	0.95	0.00
Cyprus	21	0.62	0.00	**Oman**	15	0.80	0.07
Ecuador	26	0.96	0.00	**Panama**	19	0.84	0.00
Finland	26	1.00	0.00	**Poland**	10	0.50	0.00
France	22	0.95	0.00	**Portugal**	27	0.78	0.00
Germany	24	1.00	0.00	**Qatar**	11	0.64	0.09
Great Britain	26	1.00	0.00	**Romania**	22	0.91	0.00
Hungary	18	0.83	0.00	**Senegal**	15	0.53	0.13
India	25	0.84	0.04	**Slovakia**	12	1.00	0.00
Indonesia	17	0.94	0.06	**Slovenia**	3	0.00	0.00
Ireland	18	0.89	0.00	**Spain**	27	0.93	0.00
Israel	15	1.00	0.00	**Sri Lanka**	21	0.81	0.05
Italy	25	1.00	0.00	**Sweden**	22	1.00	0.00
Japan	28	0.96	0.00	**Trinidad and Tob.**	16	0.56	0.06
Jordan	21	0.90	0.05	**Tunisia**	17	0.65	0.06
Kenya	22	0.59	0.05	**Turkey**	26	0.81	0.04
Korea	27	0.96	0.00	**United States**	26	1.00	0.00
Kuwait	19	0.68	0.00	**Uruguay**	22	0.95	0.00
				Total	28	0.85	0.01

Notes: This table presents the counterfactual estimates of the influence of tariff cuts during the Uruguay Round (absent other shocks), and hypothetical unilateral reductions in tariffs. "Uruguay Rnd" reports the share of ISIC industries within a country in which markets were more competitive due to Uruguay Round tariff cuts. "Unilateral" reports the share of ISIC industries within a country in which markets are more competitive after a unilateral tariff cut.

Table 9: **Simulated Impacts of the Trans-Pacific Partnership**

Country	Share $dA < 0$		Country	Share $dA < 0$	
	TPP	TPP with US-Korea		TPP	TPP with US-Korea
Argentina	0.05	0.00	Latvia	0.77	0.77
Australia	0.85	0.85	Lithuania	0.71	0.71
Austria	0.26	0.26	Macedonia	0.50	0.50
Belgium-Lux.	0.75	0.75	Malaysia	0.95	0.95
Benin	0.75	0.75	Malta	0.86	0.86
Bolivia	0.11	0.06	Mexico	0.82	0.82
Canada	0.58	0.58	Moldova	0.64	0.64
Chile	0.96	0.96	Morocco	0.60	0.60
China	0.04	0.04	Netherlands	0.20	0.20
Colombia	0.96	0.96	New Zealand	0.50	0.50
Costa Rica	0.00	0.00	Norway	0.32	0.32
Cyprus	0.62	0.62	Oman	0.53	0.60
Ecuador	0.00	0.00	Panama	0.16	0.21
Finland	0.23	0.19	Poland	0.60	0.60
France	0.05	0.05	Portugal	0.41	0.33
Germany	0.04	0.04	Qatar	0.73	0.73
Great Britain	0.04	0.04	Romania	0.36	0.36
Hungary	0.28	0.28	Senegal	0.60	0.60
India	0.12	0.12	Slovakia	0.50	0.58
Indonesia	0.06	0.06	Slovenia	0.67	0.67
Ireland	0.22	0.22	Spain	0.07	0.07
Israel	0.27	0.20	Sri Lanka	0.33	0.29
Italy	0.12	0.12	Sweden	0.09	0.05
Japan	0.82	0.82	Trinidad and Tob.	0.13	0.13
Jordan	0.38	0.38	Tunisia	0.76	0.71
Kenya	0.45	0.45	Turkey	0.19	0.15
Korea	0.04	0.93	United States	0.85	0.88
Kuwait	0.58	0.58	Uruguay	0.05	0.09

Notes: This table presents the counterfactual estimates of proposed tariff cuts under the Trans-Pacific Partnership. Each cell tabulates the share of industries for which A falls as a result of the TPP. I also include a counterfactual of the TPP and tariff cuts from the US-Korea bilateral free trade agreement.

that larger and more developed markets are associated with firms skewed toward higher productivity, and that these markets with a better shape of firms also earn higher revenues on common markets. Using the shape estimates, I estimate relative competition across countries, where within-industries, smaller and less-developed countries with a poor shape of firms tend to have less competitive markets. However, these markets experienced the largest predicted improvement in competition over the sample period, suggesting that firms enter where competition is less fierce. Counterfactuals indicate that tariff cuts over 1994-2000 increased competition in 85% of liberalizing markets, unilateral tariff cuts rarely increase competition, and that the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership will have strong competitive effects, but only inside the agreement.

I plan to extend this framework along a few dimensions. The first is evaluating the efficacy of this structural approach in the presence of FDI, as in Helpman, Melitz, and Yeaple (2004) and more recently Tintelnot (2012). Indeed, it is possible that the lower shape estimates for more developed countries are contaminated to some degree by these countries leveraged in higher levels of FDI. The second extension is related to exchange rates, and more macro-oriented models. While tariffs and other shocks are often stagnant, exchange rate movements and currency crises may have profound effects on entry, and over time, help identify the underlying fundamentals of firm movements in the international economy.

References

ARKOLAKIS, C., A. COSTINOT, D. DONALDSON, AND A. RODRÍGUEZ-CLARE (2012): "The Elusive Pro-Competitive Effects of Trade," *Unpublished, MIT*.

ARKOLAKIS, C., A. COSTINOT, AND A. RODRIGUEZ-CLARE (2011): "New Trade Theories, Same Old Gains?," *American Economic Review*.

ATKESON, A., AND A. BURSTEIN (2008): "Pricing-to-market, trade costs, and international relative prices," *The American Economic Review*, 98(5), 1998–2031.

ATKIN, D., AND D. DONALDSON (2012): "Whos Getting Globalized? The Size and Nature of Intranational Trade Costs," Discussion paper.

BAGWELL, K., AND R. STAIGER (2009): "Delocation and trade agreements in imperfectly competitive markets," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

BAGWELL, K., AND R. W. STAIGER (2012): "The economics of trade agreements in the linear cournot delocation model," *Journal of International Economics*.

BOMBARDINI, M., C. J. KURZ, AND P. M. MORROW (2012): "Ricardian trade and the impact of domestic competition on export performance," *Canadian Journal of Economics/Revue canadienne d'économique*, 45(2), 585–612.

BREINLICH, H., AND A. CUÑAT (2013): "Tariffs, Trade and Productivity: A Quantitative Evaluation of Heterogeneous Firm Models," Discussion paper, CESifo Working Paper.

BREMUS, F., C. BUCH, K. RUSS, AND M. SCHNITZER (2013): "Big banks and macroeconomic outcomes: Theory and cross-country evidence of granularity," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

BRODA, C., AND D. E. WEINSTEIN (2006): "Globalization and the Gains from Variety," *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 121(2), 541–585.

BURSTEIN, A., AND J. CRAVINO (2012): "Measured Aggregate Gains from International Trade," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

CALIENDO, L., AND F. PARRO (2012): "Estimates of the Trade and Welfare Effects of NAFTA," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

CARON, J., T. FALLY, AND J. R. MARKUSEN (2012): "Skill premium and trade puzzles: A solution linking production and preferences," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

CEBECI, T., A. M. FERNANDES, C. FREUND, AND M. D. PIEROLA (2012): "Exporter dynamics database," .

CHANEY, T. (2008): "Distorted gravity: the intensive and extensive margins of international trade," *The American Economic Review*, 98(4), 1707–1721.

COMBES, P.-P., G. DURANTON, L. GOBILLON, D. PUGA, AND S. ROUX (2012): "The productivity advantages of large cities: Distinguishing agglomeration from firm selection," *Econometrica*, 80(6), 2543–2594.

COSAR, A. K., AND P. D. FAJGELBAUM (2012): "Internal Geography, International Trade, and Regional Outcomes," .

COSTINOT, A., AND A. RODRÍGUEZ-CLARE (2012): "Trade Theory with Numbers: Quantifying the Consequences of Globalization," .

DE BLAS, B., AND K. N. RUSS (2012): "Understanding Markups in the Open Economy," *manuscript University of California at Davis.*

DE SOUSA, J., T. MAYER, AND S. ZIGNAGO (2012): "Market access in global and regional trade," *Regional Science and Urban Economics.*

DEKLE, R., J. EATON, AND S. KORTUM (2008): "Global Rebalancing with Gravity: Measuring the Burden of Adjustment," *IMF Staff Papers*, 55(3), 511–540.

DEMIDOVA, S. (2008): "Productivity improvements and falling trade costs: boon or bane?," *International Economic Review*, 49(4), 1437–1462.

DEMIDOVA, S., AND A. RODRIGUEZ-CLARE (2011): "The simple analytics of the Melitz model in a small open economy," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

DI GIOVANNI, J., AND A. A. LEVCHENKO (2012): "Country Size, International Trade, and Aggregate Fluctuations in Granular Economies," *Journal of Political Economy*, 120(6), 1083–1132.

DI GIOVANNI, J., A. A. LEVCHENKO, AND R. RANCIERE (2011): "Power laws in firm size and openness to trade: Measurement and implications," *Journal of International Economics*, 85(1), 42–52.

EATON, J., AND S. KORTUM (2002): "Technology, geography, and trade," *Econometrica*, 70(5), 1741–1779.

EATON, J., S. KORTUM, AND F. KRAMARZ (2011): "An anatomy of international trade: Evidence from French firms," *Econometrica*, 79(5), 1453–1498.

EDMOND, C., V. MIDRIGAN, AND D. Y. XU (2012): "Competition, markups, and the gains from international trade," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

FALLY, T. (2012): "Structural gravity and fixed effects," Discussion paper, Working paper, University of Colorado-Boulder.

FEENSTRA, R. C. (2014): "Restoring the product variety and pro-competitive gains from trade with heterogeneous firms and bounded productivity," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

FEENSTRA, R. C., AND D. E. WEINSTEIN (2010): "Globalization, markups, and the US price level," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

FOSTER, L., J. HALTIWANGER, AND C. SYVERSON (2008): "Reallocation, Firm Turnover, and Efficiency: Selection on Productivity or Profitability?," *The American Economic Review*, pp. 394–425.

HEAD, K., T. MAYER, AND M. THOENIG (2013): "Welfare and Trade Without Pareto," .

HELPMAN, E., M. MELITZ, AND Y. RUBINSTEIN (2008): "Estimating trade flows: Trading partners and trading volumes," *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 123(2), 441–487.

HELPMAN, E., M. J. MELITZ, AND S. R. YEAPLE (2004): "Export versus FDI with Heterogeneous Firms," *American Economic Review*, pp. 300–316.

HSIEH, C.-T., AND R. OSSA (2011): "A global view of productivity growth in China," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

INWOOD, K., AND I. KEAY (2013): "Trade policy and industrial development: iron and steel in a small open economy, 1870- 1913," *Canadian Journal of Economics/Revue canadienne d'économique*, 46(4), 1265–1294.

MELITZ, M. (2003): "The impact of trade on aggregate industry productivity and intra-industry reallocations," *Econometrica*, 71(6), 1695–1725.

MELITZ, M., AND G. OTTAVIANO (2008): "Market size, trade, and productivity," *The review of economic studies*, 75(1), 295–316.

MELITZ, M. J., AND S. J. REDDING (2013): "Firm Heterogeneity and Aggregate Welfare," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

METZLER, L. (1949): "Tariffs, International Demand, and Domestic Prices," *Journal of Political Economy.*

MRÁZOVÁ, M., AND J. NEARY (2013): "Selection effects with heterogeneous firms," .

NICITA, A., AND M. OLARREAGA (2007): "Trade, production, and protection database, 1976–2004," *The World Bank Economic Review*, 21(1), 165–171.

OKUBO, T., AND E. TOMIURA (2013): "Skew productivity distributions and agglomeration: Evidence from plant-level data," *Regional Studies*, (ahead-of-print), 1–15.

OSSA, R. (2010): "A 'new trade' theory of GATT/WTO negotiations," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

SILVA, J. S., AND S. TENREYRO (2006): "The log of gravity," *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 88(4), 641–658.

SIMONOVSKA, I. (2010): "Income differences and prices of tradables," Discussion paper, National Bureau of Economic Research.

SPEAROT, A. (2013): "Variable Demand Elasticities and Tariff Liberalization," *Journal of International Economics*.

TINTELNOT, F. (2012): "Global Production with Export Platforms," Discussion paper, mimeo Pennsylvania State University.

VENABLES, A. J. (1985): "Trade and trade policy with imperfect competition: The case of identical products and free entry," *Journal of International Economics*, 19(1), 1–19.

XIANG, Y., S. GUBIAN, B. SUOMELA, AND J. HOENG (2013): "Generalized Simulated Annealing for Global Optimization: the GenSA Package," *R Journal*.

A Derivation for Constant-elasticity models

In this appendix, I derive the effects of a tariff shock on free entry for a constant elasticity demand system similar to Melitz (2003) and Chaney (2008).

To begin, assume that demand for each variety in country l is written as:

$$q_{i,l} = \frac{I_l p_i^{-\sigma}}{\int_{i \in \Omega_l} p_s^{1-\sigma} ds}$$

We hold I_l constant, which requires that I_l is the income spent on the differentiated sector in l, with another sector pinning down the wage.

Suppose that a firm serving market l from market j pays two costs in serving that market - a tariff τ_{jl} and a fixed cost F_{jl}.

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi_{i,jl} &= \underbrace{\frac{I_l}{\int_{i \in \Omega_l} p_s^{1-\sigma} ds} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{1-\sigma}}_{B_l} t_{jl}^{-\sigma} c^{1-\sigma} - F_{jl} \\
&= B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma} c_i^{1-\sigma} - F_{jl}
\end{aligned}$$

where $t_{jl} = 1 + \tau_{jl}$. Given the properties of CES, trade value from l to j for firm i is written as:

$$v_{i,jl} = \sigma \pi_{i,jl}$$

Firms in j can earn profits in market l if profits are positive in doing so: $B_l c^{1-\sigma} > F_{jl}$. For any well-defined productivity distribution, this yields:

$$\overline{\pi}_{jl} = \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma}{1-\sigma}}} B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma} c^{1-\sigma} - F_{jl} g_j(c) dc$$

Aggregating over all markets, allowing for a country specific elasticity of substitution, σ_l, and setting equal

to a fixed cost of entry, we get:

$$\sum_{l=1..M} \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma_l}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma_l}{1-\sigma_l}}} \left(B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c^{1-\sigma_l} - F_{jl}\right) g_j(c)dc = F_j$$

Differentiating with respect to all t_{jl} and A_l's, we get:

$$\sum_{l=1..M} \frac{1}{\sigma_l}\frac{dB_l}{B_l} \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma_l}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma_l}{1-\sigma_l}}} \sigma_l B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c^{1-\sigma_l} g_j(c)dc - \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma_l}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma_l}{1-\sigma_l}}} \sigma_l B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c^{1-\sigma_l} g_j(c)dc = 0$$

Of note, changes to the limits of integration are irrelevant since the integrands are equal to zero at the limits. Rearranging so there is a σ_l leading each integrand, and then multiplying both sides by N_j, we get:

$$\sum_{l=1..M} \frac{1}{\sigma_l}\frac{dB_l}{B_l} N_j \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma_l}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma_l}{1-\sigma_l}}} \sigma_l B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c^{1-\sigma_l} g_j(c)dc - \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} N_j \int_0^{\left(\frac{F_{jl}}{B_l}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma_l}} t_{jl}^{\frac{\sigma_l}{1-\sigma_l}}} \sigma_l B_l t_{jl}^{-\sigma_l} c^{1-\sigma_l} g_j(c)dc = 0$$

Writing as trade values:

$$\sum_{l=1..M} \frac{1}{\sigma_l}\frac{dB_l}{B_l} V_{jl} = \sum_{l=1..M} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} V_{jl}$$

Putting in matrix form, we have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1}\frac{dB_1}{B_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{\sigma_r}\frac{dB_r}{B_r} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{\sigma_m}\frac{dB_m}{B_m} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{11} & \cdots & V_{1r} & \cdots & V_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ V_{r1} & \cdots & V_{rr} & \cdots & V_{1r} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ V_{m1} & \cdots & V_{rm} & \cdots & V_{mm} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{l=1..M}\frac{dt_{1l}}{t_{1l}} V_{1l} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{l=1..M}\frac{dt_{rl}}{t_{rl}} V_{rl} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{l=1..M}\frac{dt_{ml}}{t_{ml}} V_{ml} \end{pmatrix}$$

B   Estimation with income effects and wages

In this technical appendix, I show that the strategy to estimate productivity shape parameters is the exact same without a numeraire outside good, and that the technique to control for other importer and exporter shocks properly controls for all importer and exporter shocks in the model.

To see this, suppose that our utility function did not have a numeraire good, and was written as:

$$U_l = \theta_l \int_{i \in \Omega_l} q^c_{i,l} di - \frac{1}{2}\eta \left(\int_{i \in \Omega_l} q^c_{i,l} di \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\gamma \int_{i \in \Omega_l} \left(q^c_{i,l} \right)^2 di,$$

Note that we could also aggregate over a number of differentiated industries, though the analysis is the exact same. The budget constraint faced by consumers in country l is written as:

$$\int_{i \in \Omega_j} p^c_{i,l} q^c_{i,l} di \leq w_l$$

where $p^c_{i,l}$ is the delivered consumer price of variety i to l, and w_l is the wage earned by the representative consumer in l. Under this setup, the inverse demand function for a given variety i is derived as:

$$p^c_{i,l} \quad = \quad \frac{1}{\lambda_l} \left(A_l - b_l q_{i,l} \right)$$

where the only change from (3) is the addition of the marginal utility of income, λ_l, which is no longer pinned down by a numeraire.

Firms

Without the numeraire that pins down wages internationally, we must re-write the firm's problem when wages must be paid for marginal and fixed costs. Firms still choose quantities to maximize profits in serving each market, where the maximization problem for firm i from j exporting to l is written as:

$$\pi_{i,jl}(c_i) = \max_{q_{i,jl}} \left\{ \frac{1}{t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l} \left(A_l - \frac{\gamma}{L_l} q_{i,jl} \right) \cdot q_{i,jl} - w_j c_i q_{i,jl} \right\}.$$

41

Note that this maximization problem is adjusted in two ways. First, demand is now subject to the marginal utility of income in l, λ_l, which has a similar effect to s_l. Second, marginal costs are now scaled by w_j, which assumes that the only factor of production is labor, and c_i the unit labor requirement of firm i. Hence, the optimal quantity in selling to l from j is written as,

$$q_{jl}(c) = \frac{A_l - w_j c t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l}{2b_l},$$

producer revenues are written as

$$v_{jl}(c) = \frac{A_l^2 - (w_j c t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l)^2}{4b_l t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l},$$

and profits are written as

$$\pi_{jl}(c) = \frac{(A_l - w_j c t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l)^2}{4b_l t_{jl} s_l \lambda_l}.$$

Aggregation and Free Entry

Imposing the Pareto assumption in (4), and also noting that fixed costs of entry are also paid in units of labor, the free entry condition for firms in country j is written as:

$$\sum_l \frac{A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+2)(k_j+1)w_j^{k_j}(c_j^m)^{k_j} t_{jl}^{k_j+1}(\lambda_l s_l)^{k_j+1}} = w_j F_j$$

Next, we transform variables to into like components. First, defining $C_l = \frac{A_l}{\lambda_l s_l}$, the free entry condition can be re-written as:

$$\sum_l \frac{C_l^{k_j+2} \lambda_l s_l / b_l}{2(k_j+2)(k_j+1)w_j^{k_j}(c_j^m)^{k_j} t_{jl}^{k_j+1}} = w_j F_j$$

Next, dividing both sides by $w_j F_j$, we have:

$$\sum_l \frac{C_l^{k_j+2} \lambda_l s_l / b_l}{2(k_j+2)(k_j+1)w_j^{k_j+1}(c_j^m)^{k_j} F_j t_{jl}^{k_j+1}} = 1$$

Collecting importer terms and writing as $m_l = \lambda_l s_l / b_l$, and (some) exporter terms as $x_j = w_j^{k_j+1}(c_j^m)^{k_j}F_j$, we have:

$$\sum_l \frac{C_l^{k_j+2}m_l}{2(k_j+2)(k_j+1)x_j t_{jl}^{k_j+1}} = 1 \tag{16}$$

Next, the value of trade is written as:

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j A_l^{k_j+2}}{2b_l(k_j+2)(w_j c_j^m)^{k_j} t_{jl}^{k_j+1}(\lambda_l s_l)^{k_j+1}}.$$

Using similar transformations as above, we get:

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j w_j F_j C_l^{k_j+2}m_l}{2(k_j+2)x_j t_{jl}^{k_j+1}}.$$

Empirical Specification Equivalence

To derive our empirical specification, log differentiate all non-shape terms in (17) to get

$$\sum_l \frac{C_l^{k_j+2}m_l}{2(k_j+2)x_j t_{jl}^{k_j+1}}\frac{k_j+2}{k_j+1}\frac{dC_l}{C_l} = \sum_l \frac{C_l^{k_j+2}m_l}{2(k_j+2)x_j t_{jl}^{k_j+1}}\left(\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{1}{k_j+1}\frac{dx_j}{x_j} - \frac{1}{k_j+1}\frac{dm_l}{m_l}\right)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(k_j+1)N_j w_j F_j$, imposing values, and rearranging, we get:

$$\sum_l V_{jl}\left((k_j+2)\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - (k_j+1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} - \frac{dx_j}{x_j} + \frac{dm_l}{m_l}\right) = 0$$

Next, log differentiating the trade flow equation and adding error, we get:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = (k_j+2)\frac{dC_l}{C_l} - (k_j+1)\frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{dm_l}{m_l} - \frac{dx_j}{x_j} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \frac{dw_j}{w_j} + \frac{dF_j}{F_j} + \varepsilon_{jl}$$

Defining $d_j = \frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \frac{dw_j}{w_j} + \frac{dF_j}{F_j} - \frac{dx_j}{x_j}$ and $d_l = \frac{dm_l}{m_l}$, the extended trade growth and free entry conditions are equivalent to (14) and (15). Precisely, step two solves for $\frac{dN_j}{N_j} + \frac{dw_j}{w_j} + \frac{dF_j}{F_j}$ under the extended model.

C Estimation within a CES model

In this appendix, I derive the two-step estimation approach using a CES model.

Trade Growth

Using the same structure for CES as in Appendix A, and including a domestic friction as in the draft, aggregate trade value from j to l is written as:

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j k_j}{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)} \frac{\sigma_l^{-\frac{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)}{\sigma_l - 1}}}{(c_m^j)^{k_j}} B_l^{\frac{k_j}{\sigma_l - 1}} (t_{jl} s_l)^{-k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}} F_{jl}^{-\frac{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)}{\sigma_l - 1}}$$

Noting that the domestic cost cutoff in country l is written as $C_l \equiv \frac{B_l^{\frac{1}{\sigma_l - 1}}}{\sigma_l^{\frac{1}{\sigma_l - 1}} F_{ll}^{\frac{1}{\sigma_l - 1}} s_l^{\frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}}}$, we can simplify the equation for trade value as:

$$V_{jl} = \frac{N_j \sigma_l k_j}{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)} \frac{C_l^{k_j}}{(c_m^j)^{k_j}} t_{jl}^{-k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}} \left(\frac{F_{ll}}{F_{jl}} \right)^{\frac{k_j}{\sigma_l - 1}} F_{jl}$$

Clearly, if we are to estimate a log-growth version of this equation, we will have to make assumptions over the fixed costs of market entry. In particular, since these are currently allowed to vary in a bilateral fashion, they cannot be absorbed by any fixed effects. However, note that if we assume that tastes and technology do not change over time, there is no need to have importer fixed effects is the growth regression. Precisely:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = k_j \frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - k_j \frac{dc_m^j}{c_m^j}$$

However, suppose that we allow the fixed operating costs of export market entry to have the following form

$$F_{jl} = \delta_{jl} F_l,$$

where $\delta_{jl} > 0$ for $j \neq l$ and $\delta_{jl} = 1$ for $j = l$. Now only holding δ_{jl} fixed, allowing F_l to vary, and adding measurement error, we can write the trade growth equation as:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = k_j \frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - k_j \frac{dc_m^j}{c_m^j} + \frac{dF_l}{F_l} + \varepsilon_{jl} \tag{17}$$

Free Entry

Using a similar substitution for the domestic cutoff, the free entry condition for firms in country j can be written as:

$$\sum_l \frac{\sigma_l - 1}{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)} \frac{C_l^{k_j}}{(c_m^j)^{k_j}} t_{jl}^{-k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}} \left(\frac{F_{ll}}{F_{jl}} \right)^{\frac{k_j}{\sigma_l - 1}} F_{jl} = F_j^E$$

Using the above parameterization for F_{jl}, and dividing by F_j^E, we can write:

$$\sum_l \frac{\sigma_l - 1}{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)} \frac{C_l^{k_j}}{(c_m^j)^{k_j}} t_{jl}^{-k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}} \left(\frac{1}{\delta_{jl}} \right)^{\frac{k_j}{\sigma_l - 1}} \frac{\delta_{jl} F_l}{F_j^E} = 1$$

Differentiating, multiplying by $N_j k_j$, and rearranging, we get:

$$\sum_l \frac{(\sigma_l - 1) N_j k_j}{k_j - (\sigma_l - 1)} \frac{C_l^{k_j}}{(c_m^j)^{k_j}} t_{jl}^{-k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}} \left(\frac{1}{\delta_{jl}} \right)^{\frac{k_j}{\sigma_l - 1}} \frac{\delta_{jl} F_l}{F_j^E} \left(k_j \frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} - k_j \frac{dc_m^j}{c_m^j} + \frac{dF_l}{F_l} - \frac{dF_j^E}{F_j^E} \right) = 0$$

Substituting for V_{jl} under CES, and rearranging, we get:

$$\sum_l \frac{(\sigma_l - 1)}{\sigma_l} V_{jl} \left(k_j \frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j \frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} - k_j \frac{dc_m^j}{c_m^j} + \frac{dF_l}{F_l} - \frac{dF_j^E}{F_j^E} \right) = 0$$

Substituting the trade growth equation and residuals, we get:

$$\sum_l \frac{(\sigma_l - 1)}{\sigma_l} V_{jl} \left(\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} - \widehat{\varepsilon}_{jl} - \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - \frac{dF_j^E}{F_j^E} \right) = 0 \tag{18}$$

45

Comparison to estimation with the linear model

Equations (17) and (18) represent the analogous steps 1 and 2 from estimating the linear model. Clearly, they are not equivalent without additional assumptions, since the elasticity of demand is not endogenous as in the linear case. However, (17) can be estimated with M $\frac{dC_l}{C_l}$'s, k_j's, $\frac{\sigma_l}{\sigma_l - 1}$'s, and then M importer and M exporter fixed effects. However, if we are willing to assume that demand elasticities are constant across countries within an industry, (17) and (18) can be written as:

$$\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} = k_j \frac{dC_l}{C_l} - k_j \frac{\sigma}{\sigma - 1} \frac{dt_{jl}}{t_{jl}} + \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - k_j \frac{dc_m^j}{c_m^j} + \frac{dF_l}{F_l} + \varepsilon_{jl} \tag{19}$$

$$\sum_l V_{jl} \left(\frac{dV_{jl}}{V_{jl}} - \widehat{\varepsilon}_{jl} - \frac{dN_j}{N_j} - \frac{dF_j^E}{F_j^E} \right) = 0 \tag{20}$$

In this case, though (19) is still slightly different, (20) is identical to the linear demand case.

D   Two-country Model: Online Only

In this appendix, I restrict the model from section two such that trade occurs between two countries, labeled 1 and 2. Focusing on changes to tariffs levied by country 1, and writing the elasticity of the demand level in l with respect to the tariff in country 1 as ϵ_{A_l,t_1} the solution to (11) is written as:

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{A_1,t_1} \\ \epsilon_{A_2,t_1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} \\ V_{21} & V_{22} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{k_2+1}{k_2+2} V_{21} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{k_2+1}{k_2+2} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{V_{12}V_{21}}{V_{11}V_{22}-V_{12}V_{21}} \\ \frac{V_{11}V_{21}}{V_{11}V_{22}-V_{12}V_{21}} \end{pmatrix}
\tag{21}
$$

Clearly, changes to the demand intercepts in countries 1 and 2 depend on the sign of the determinant of V, $V_{11}V_{22} - V_{12}V_{21}$. This result is summarized in the following Lemma.

Lemma 1 *If $V_{11}V_{22} > V_{12}V_{21}$, then higher tariffs in country 1 makes country 1 more competitive and country 2 less competitive. Precisely, if $V_{11}V_{22} > V_{12}V_{21}$, then $\epsilon_{A_1,t_1} < 0$ and $\epsilon_{A_2,t_1} > 0$.*

Proof. Immediate from (21). ∎

The intuition for the result in Lemma 1 relates to how the demand shocks subsequent to liberalization affect each country. As detailed in the derivation of (11), the effect of demand shocks on expected profits are proportional to firm-level revenues in serving each market. Focusing on expected profits for firms in country 2, a demand shock in country 1 has a larger effect than a demand shock in country 2 if $V_{21} > V_{22}$. A similar condition exists for expected profits in country 1. Overall, within the employed Pareto specification, it follows that $V_{11}V_{22} > V_{12}V_{21} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial E\Pi_{11}}{\partial A_1} \frac{\partial E\Pi_{22}}{\partial A_2} > \frac{\partial E\Pi_{12}}{\partial A_2} \frac{\partial E\Pi_{21}}{\partial A_1}$. Shocks to expected profits determine the Jacobian of the expected profit matrix with respect to aggregate terms, and these shocks determine the overall effect of liberalization.

Though proven rigorously in a moment, $V_{11}V_{22} > V_{12}V_{21}$ will hold in equilibrium under quite reasonable circumstances. For example, similar to the assumptions used in Venables (1985), Bagwell and Staiger (2009), Ossa (2010), and Bagwell and Staiger (2012), if there are positive trade costs though otherwise identical markets, then $V_{11}V_{22} > V_{12}V_{21}$. Hence, the obvious next step is evaluating under what conditions (if any) it is possible that $V_{12}V_{21} > V_{11}V_{22}$. To begin, note that $\frac{V_{12}V_{21}}{V_{11}V_{22}}$ can be written as a function of

model parameters as:

$$\frac{\frac{\partial E\Pi_{12}}{\partial A_2}\frac{\partial E\Pi_{21}}{\partial A_1}}{\frac{\partial E\Pi_{11}}{\partial A_1}\frac{\partial E\Pi_{22}}{\partial A_2}} = \frac{V_{12}V_{21}}{V_{11}V_{22}} = \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} \tag{22}$$

The term in (22) evaluates the geometric "average" of demand shocks on exporters, $\frac{\partial E\Pi_{12}}{\partial A_2} \cdot \frac{\partial E\Pi_{21}}{\partial A_1}$, against the geometric average of demand shocks on home firms $\frac{\partial E\Pi_{11}}{\partial A_1} \cdot \frac{\partial E\Pi_{22}}{\partial A_2}$. Within the parameterized model, this comparison will be a function of the effective size of the shock through relative demand, $\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}$ and the relative elasticity of entering firms through the Pareto shape parameter, $k_2 - k_1$. If shape parameters are the same across countries, then the demand shock in country 1 is effectively the same for countries 1 and 2, and the term in (22) is determined by whether or not tariffs mute the effect of the demand shock on exporters. However, if country 2 has an inferior shape of the productivity distribution, the effective demand shock will not be the same due to the elasticity of the extensive margin (survival in any given market) being larger in country 2 (ie. $k_2 > k_1$). A similar issue is also present for any subsequent shocks in country 2, and hence, the question is how the relative shock in each market interacts with the elasticity of survival for exporters and domestic firms.

In terms of the response to the demand shock, suppose that $1 > \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}$. This condition is satisfied when tariffs are relatively high or the market is relatively competitive in country 1 (A_1/s_1 is small compared to A_2/s_2). We discuss the role of market competition in a moment, but supposing that $1 > \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}$ is satisfied, the increase in competitiveness subsequent to liberalization has a larger effect on profits in country 1, thereby reducing the number of entrants into country 1. The opposite happens in country 2, where additional firms enter by virtue of higher export profits and lower competition from country 1 firms. This cycle continues until a new equilibrium is reached, resulting in a higher A_1 and lower A_2. Alternatively, when $\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} > 1$, the initial increase in competitiveness in 1 has a larger effect on firms in country 2, and the cycle is reversed, resulting in a lower A_1 and higher A_2. Overall, the effects of liberalization depend on the type of equilibrium we are in, and hence, we need to evaluate all equilibrium conditions to ascertain whether unilateral liberalization makes a market more or less competitive.

Equilibrium Effects of Tariffs

To prove that both types of equilibria are possible - thus justifying the structural approach to facilitate counterfactual analysis - I now focus on the role of taste variation across countries via θ_1 and θ_2. Recall from above that θ_1 and θ_2 measure the fundamental willingness to pay for the differentiated good in each country, relative to the numeraire. While these terms are completely subsumed by A's in the free entry conditions, they affect when the free entry solution is consistent with a positive number of entering firms in each country. The following proposition, proven below, details when values of relative taste parameters are consistent with the equilibrium response to tariffs described above:

Proposition 1 *Suppose that $t_l = 1$ and $s_l = 1$ for all l. There exists a range of $\theta_2 > \theta_1$ such that a trading equilibrium with $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$ exists and yields $\epsilon_{A_1,t_1} < 0$. In contrast, there exists a range of $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ such that a trading equilibrium with $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$ exists and yields $\epsilon_{A_1,t_1} > 0$*

In Proposition 1, the differences in the equilibrium response to tariffs are driven by the relative competitiveness of country 1 to country 2 in the differentiated industry. Normally, the country with the more competitive sector is the country with the more productive firms. All else equal, this yields an effectively smaller market for each variety, or lower A. Indeed, this is crucial as the relative size of A's dictate the sign of ϵ_{A_1,t_1} in the presence of shape heterogeneity. However, when allowing for differences in tastes, one can decouple the relationship between average productivity and A's. That is, the relatively unproductive country can have a smaller effective market when taste for the differentiated good is relatively low. And, when the country with the poorly shaped firms has a *smaller* effective market for each variety, the importance of foreign shocks on that country's exporters are relatively pronounced.

Proof of Proposition 1

To prove Proposition 1 in the paper, we first need to prove an auxiliary result identifying the necessary and sufficient conditions for $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$. Using the equation in (7) for country 1 and 2, the following Lemma details precisely when $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$:

Lemma 2 $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$ if and only if either of the following conditions hold:

$$\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \quad < \quad \frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} < t_2^{k_1} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{23}$$

$$\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \quad > \quad \frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} > t_2^{k_1} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{24}$$

To prove this lemma, we first solve for N_1 and N_2 using (7) for countries 1 and 2 as follows:

$$N_1 \quad = \quad \frac{\gamma(k_1+1)c_m^{k_1}s_1^{k_1}\left(Y_1 - Y_2\frac{s_1}{s_2}\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1}\right)}{A_1^{k_1+1}\left(1 - \frac{1}{t_1^{k_1}}\frac{1}{t_2^{k_2}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}\right)} \tag{25}$$

$$N_2 \quad = \quad \frac{\gamma(k_2+1)c_m^{k_2}s_2^{k_2}\left(Y_2 - Y_1\frac{s_2}{s_1}\frac{1}{t_2^{k_1}}\left(\frac{A_2/s_2}{A_1/s_1}\right)^{k_1+1}\right)}{A_2^{k_2+1}\left(1 - \frac{1}{t_1^{k_1}}\frac{1}{t_2^{k_2}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}\right)} \tag{26}$$

Here, we have defined $Y_1 = \theta_1 - A_1$ and $Y_2 = \theta_2 - A_2$. In Lemma 2, (23) is written as:

$$\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \quad < \quad \frac{Y_1}{Y_2} < t_2^{k_1} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{27}$$

The lower-bound of (23) can be rearranged as

$$\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}} \frac{s_1}{s_2}Y_2 \quad < \quad Y_1$$

which is the condition such that the numerator of N_1 is positive. The upper bound of (23) is written as

$$Y_1 < Y_2 t_2^{k_1} \frac{s_1}{s_2} \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{28}$$

which is the condition such that the numerator of N_2 is positive. Finally, note that the upper-bound is higher than the lower-bound in (23) if:

$$\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1}\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}}\frac{s_1}{s_2} < t_2^{k_1}\frac{s_1}{s_2}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{29}$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+k_1}\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}t_2^{k_1}} < 1 \tag{30}$$

This is precisely when the denominator of N_1 and N_2 are positive. Hence, if (23) holds, then $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$. A similar proof applies for (24), except all inequalities are reversed and the numerators and denominators of N_1 and N_2 are negative, leading to $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$.

To show that these are also necessary conditions, suppose that $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$. This requires that if $1 > \frac{1}{t_1^{k_1}}\frac{1}{t_2^{k_2}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}$, then $Y_1 > \left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1}\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}}\frac{s_1}{s_2}Y_2$ and $Y_2 t_2^{k_1}\frac{s_1}{s_2}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1} > Y_1$. As above, these latter two inequalities yield (23). However, $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$ also imply that if $\frac{1}{t_1^{k_1}}\frac{1}{t_2^{k_2}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} > 1$, then $\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2+1}\frac{1}{t_1^{k_2}}\frac{s_1}{s_2}Y_2 > Y_1$ and $Y_1 > Y_2 t_2^{k_1}\frac{s_1}{s_2}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_1+1}$. These latter two inequalities yield (24).

Proposition 1

With Lemma 2 in hand, we can now prove Proposition 1. Recall that as a function of model parameters, the condition on the determinant of the trade matrix in (21) is written as:

$$D = 1 - \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1}$$

The Proposition indicates that any equilibria subject to $t_2 > 1$ and $t_1 > 1$ and constant θ's must yield $D = 1 - \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} > 0$. We will label this condition as type A, and the alternative type B.

$$1 > \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} \quad \textit{Type A}$$

$$1 < \frac{1}{t_1^{k_2+1}t_2^{k_1+1}}\left(\frac{A_1/s_1}{A_2/s_2}\right)^{k_2-k_1} \quad \textit{Type B}$$

The overall goal of the proof is show how the conditions in (23) and (24) that guarantee $N_1 > 0$ and $N_2 > 0$ correspond with the sign of the determinant (and hence the effects of unilateral liberalization).

Restricting the model to free trade, $t_1 = 1$ and $t_2 = 1$, we find that type A equilibria occur when $\frac{A_2}{A_1} > 1$. Again recalling the two conditions that (individually) yield a positive number of entering firms in each country.

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \quad < \quad \frac{Y_1}{Y_2} < \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{31}$$

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \quad > \quad \frac{Y_1}{Y_2} > \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1} \tag{32}$$

It is clear that (31) is the relevant condition for Type A equilibria, since $\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1} > \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1}$. Under what conditions is $\frac{Y_1}{Y_2}$ within this range? Substituting the definition for $\frac{Y_1}{Y_2}$, we get:

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \quad < \quad \frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} < \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1}$$

Since the right-hand bound is now below 1, $\frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} < 1$ for there to be a positive number of firms entering in each country in equilibrium. Hence, since $\frac{A_1}{A_2} < 1$, the only values of θ_1 and θ_2 that satisfy $\frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} < 1$ are those such that $\theta_1 < \theta_2$. Moving to type B equilibria, it must be the case that $\frac{A_1}{A_2} > 1$, and hence the condition for a positive number of entering firms is:

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \quad > \quad \frac{Y_1}{Y_2} > \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1}$$

Imposing the definition of $\frac{Y_1}{Y_2}$, we get:

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_2+1} \quad > \quad \frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} > \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{k_1+1}$$

Since $A_1 > A_2$, the only values of θ_1 and θ_2 that satisfy $\frac{\theta_1 - A_1}{\theta_2 - A_2} > 1$ are those such that $\theta_1 > \theta_2$.