Internet Appendix A108: Import Demand

A108.1 Illustrative Reverse Engineered Pitch Template Example

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(A) Working Title	Harb, N. (2005). Import demand in heterogeneous panel setting. Applied Economics, 37(20), 2407-2415. [reverse engineered]					
(B) Basic Research	How should the import demand function be estimated?					
Question						
(C) Key paper(s)	Pedroni, P. (2001). Purchasing power parity tests in cointegrated panels. <i>Review of Economics and Statistics</i> , 83(4), 727-731.					
	Pedroni, P. (2004). Panel cointegration: asymptotic and finite sample properties of pooled time series tests with an application to					
	the PPP hypothesis. <i>Econometric Theory</i> , 20(1), 597–627.					
	Reinhart, C. M. (1995). Devaluation, relative prices, and international trade	e: evidence from	n develo	ping countries. Staf	f Papers-	
	International Monetary Fund, 290-312.					
(D) Motivation/Puzzle	Import demand functions (IDF) form a basis of foreign trade policy. The va	lue of the impor	t elastic	ity (a portion of the	IDF	
	equation) in conjunction with other macroeconomic factors determines the	e level of devalu	uation tl	ne economy would	face if there	
	was an external market disturbance. There is a large body of literature on	IDF however the	ere is co	nfusion amongst th	e literature.	
THREE	Three core aspects of any empirical research project					
(E) Idea?	This paper puts into application previous primarily theoretical (and small s	ample size teste	ed) IDF c	oncepts and compa	ratively tests	
	them. In doing so it hypothesises (even though hypotheses are not directly	/ stated it is imp	lies that	:):		
	H1: Should GDP minus exports be used instead of GDP?					
	H2: Is there a difference between developing and developed countries inc	ome elasticities	?			
	H3: Is there a difference between developing and developed countries price	ce elasticities?				
	The model was primarily based off Pedroni (2000,2001) and Reinhart (199	5).				
(F) Data?	Annual, time-series, panel data at country level from 40 countries at varying	ng periods betw	een 196	0 and 1999 was use	d in this	
	paper. Testing periods for each country were continuous so missing data ju	ust shortened th	e testin	g period for that co	untry. Data	
	collection methods were not specified however it is assumed that seconda	ary was used bas	sed on t	ne comparative stud	dies	
	mentioned.					
(G) Tools?	IPS (1997) unit root tests were used for analysis. In addition, to overcome	an endogeneity	of regre	ssors problem FMC	LS and DOLS	
	(Pedroni, 2000) were used. OLS regression could not be used due to "the e	effect of superco	nsisten	cy may not dominat	e the	
	endogeneity effect of the regressors" (Harb, 2007). No software was state	d. Both IPS and	FMOLS/	DOLS were justified	by	
	comparing with alternatives.					

TWO	Two key questions		
(H) What's New?	This paper decreases the confusion in the literature by application testing and comparison testing.		
	DF Import elasticity Application testing		
(I) So What?	IDF forms the basis for economic policy decisions and firm strategy. IDF factors determine the devaluation an economy would face if there was an external market disturbance. For governments IDF is a factor in deciding on foreign trade policy; including, tariffs, quotas and free trade agreements. For firms government decisions and the security in market influence most international strategic decisions; primarily, FDI, exports and value chains.		
ONE	One bottom line		
(J) Contribution?	The paper contributes to the literature by application testing theoretical IDF concepts.		
(K) 3 Key Findings	The key findings from the paper were:		
	In terms of IDF components GDP performed better than GDP minus exports.		
	 Developing countries have higher income and price elasticities (in abs values) than developed countries. 		
	• FMOLS and DOLS adopted from Pedroni (2000, 2001) when individual estimates were used; however, FMOLS and DOLS		
	give conflicting results when between dimension estimators were used.		
	I nese findings help frame part of the model used in my research.		