

A Technology-Gap Model of Premature Deindustrialization

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Introduction

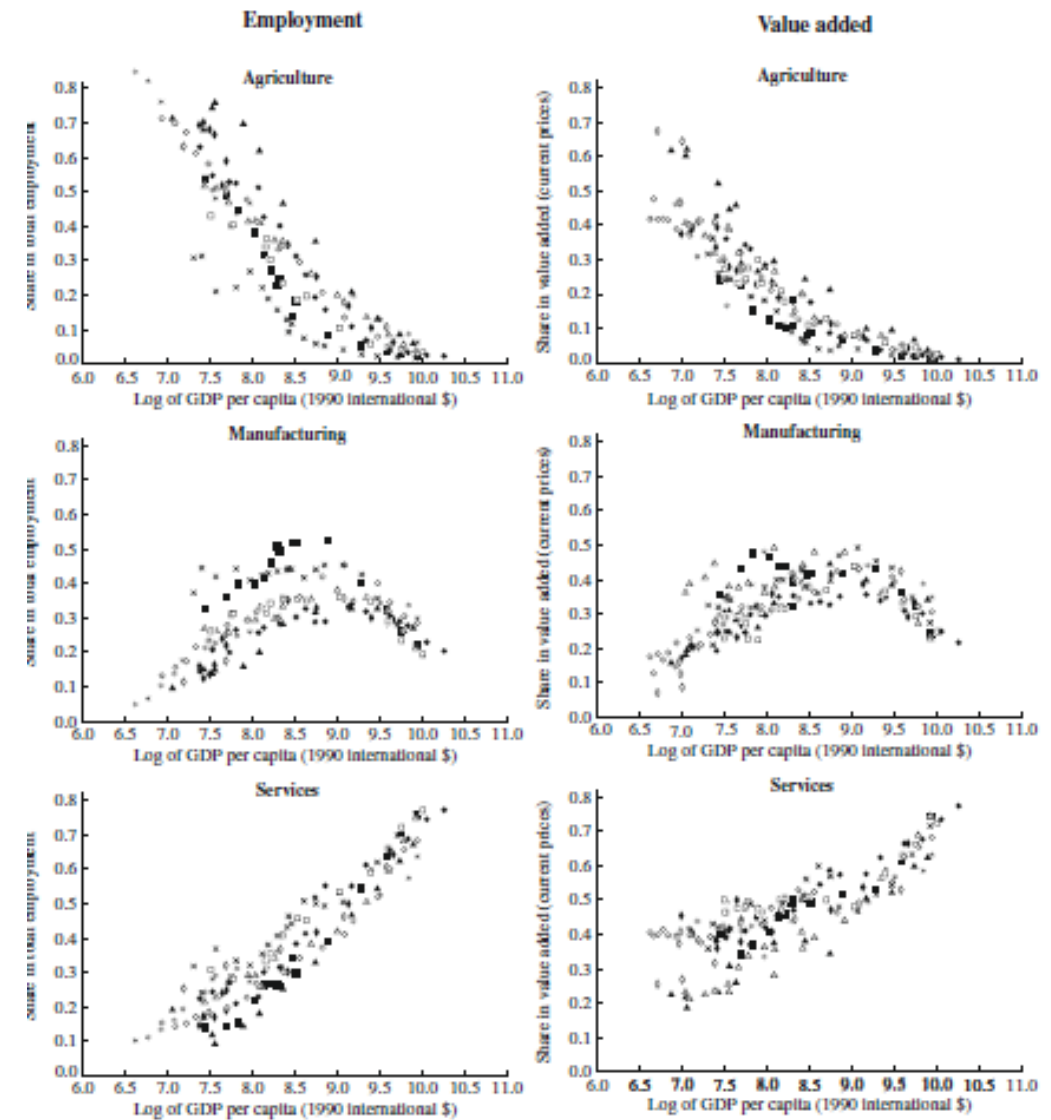
Structural Change

As per capita income rises, employment or value-added shares

- fall in Agriculture
- rise in Services
- rise and fall in Manufacturing

From Herrendorf-Rogerson-Valentinyi (2014)

Evidence from Long Time Series for the Currently Rich Countries (Belgium, Finland, France, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom, and United States) 1800-2000



Premature Deindustrialization (Rodrik, J. Econ Growth, 2016)

Late industrializers reach their M-peak and start deindustrializing

- *later* in time
- at *lower* per capita income levels
- with the *lower* peak M-sector shares, compared to early industrializers.

By “premature” no welfare connotations intended.

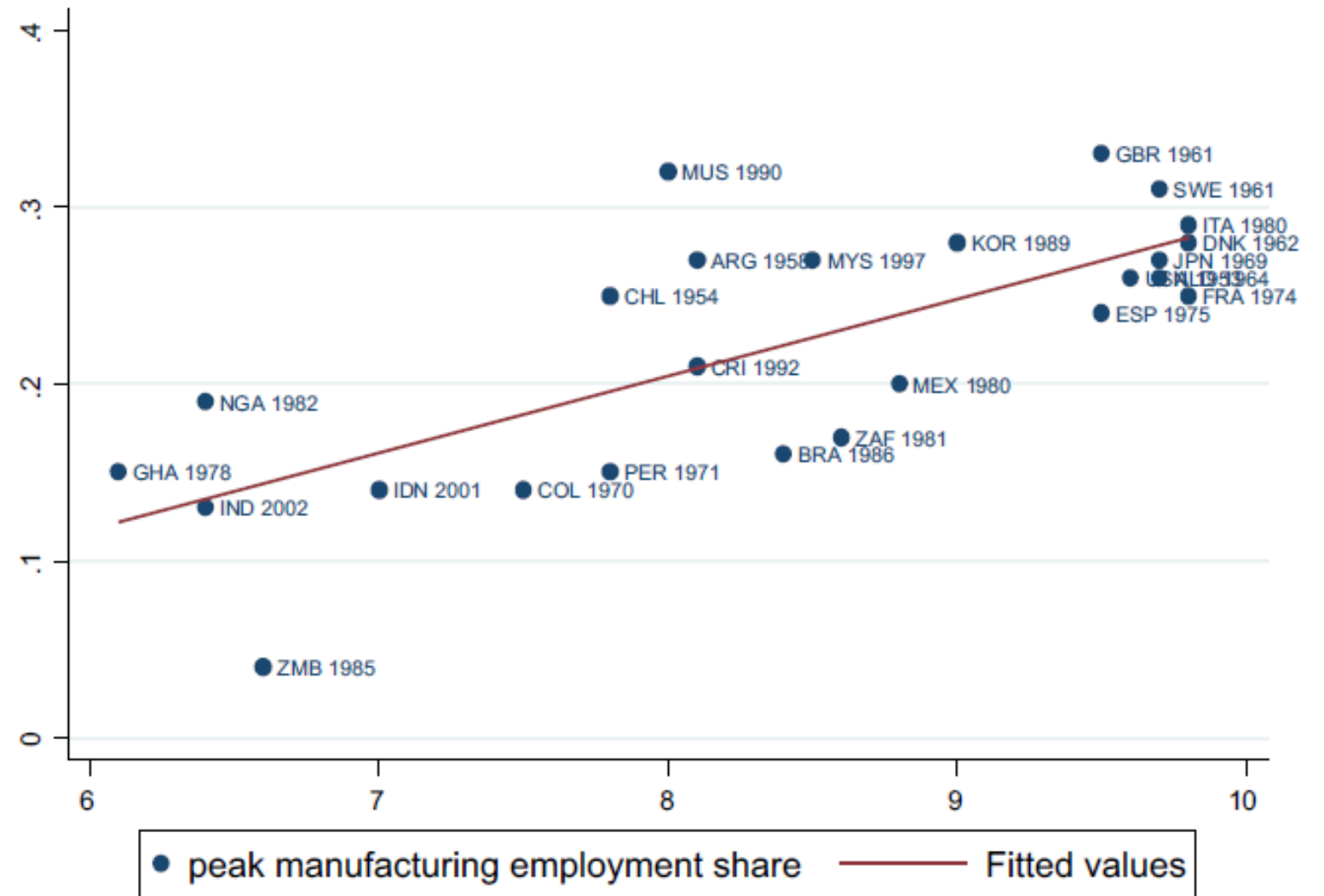


Fig. 5 Income at which manufacturing employment peaks (logs)

This Paper: A Simple Model of Premature Deindustrialization (PD)

Key Ingredients

3 Goods/Sectors, 1 = (A)griculture, 2 = (M)anufacturing, 3 = (S)ervices, *homothetic CES with gross complements*.

Frontier Technology: $\bar{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{g_j t}$, with $g_1 > g_2 > g_3 > 0 \Rightarrow$ a decline of A, a rise of S, and a hump-shaped of M in each country through **the Baumol (relative price) effect**, as in Ngai-Pissarides (2007)

Actual Technology Used: $\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j)$ due to **Adoption Lags**, $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)\lambda$

$\lambda \geq 0$: **Technology Gap: country-specific**, as in Krugman (1985)

$\theta_j > 0$: **sector-specific**, unlike Krugman (1985), common across countries

- **Countries differ only in one dimension**, $\lambda \geq 0$, in their ability to adopt the frontier technologies.
- $\theta_j > 0$ controls how much the technology gap affects the adoption lag and hence productivity in each sector.

$$\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j) = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{-\lambda_j g_j} e^{g_j t} = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{-g_j \theta_j \lambda} e^{g_j t} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \ln \left(\frac{\tilde{A}_j(t)}{\tilde{A}_k(t)} \right) = -(\theta_j g_j - \theta_k g_k)$$

λ has no “growth” effect, but negative “level” effects *proportional* to $\theta_j g_j$ in sector- j

Key Mechanisms:

- θ_j magnifies the impact of the technology gap on the adoption lag: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left(\frac{\partial \lambda_j}{\partial \lambda} \right) > 0$ (*supermodularity*)
- g_j magnifies the (negative) impact of the adoption lag on productivity: $\frac{\partial}{\partial g_j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_j} \ln e^{-\lambda_j g_j} \right) < 0$ (*log-submodularity*)

Main Results: PD occurs (i.e., A high- λ country reaches its peak later, with lower peak M-share at lower peak time per capita income) under the conditions:

i) $\theta_1 g_1 > \theta_3 g_3$: cross-country productivity difference larger in A than in S.

ii) $\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} > \frac{\theta_2 g_2 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_2 - g_3}$: technology adoption takes not too long in M.

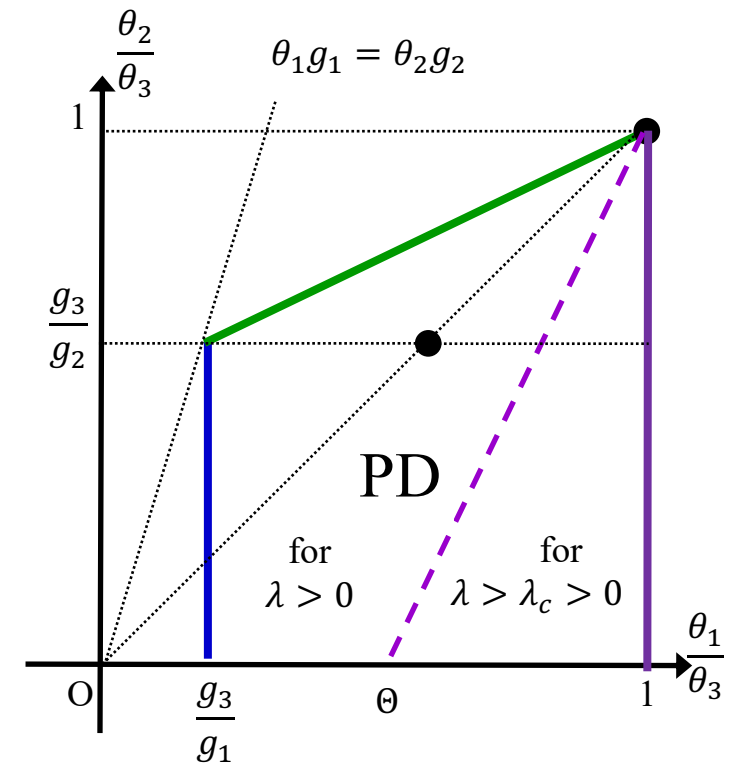
iii) $\theta_1 < \theta_3$: Technology adoption takes longer in S than in A.

i) & ii) $\Rightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_2 g_2, \theta_3 g_3$: cross-country productivity difference the largest in A.

ii) & iii) $\Rightarrow \theta_1, \theta_2 < \theta_3$: Technology adoption takes longest in S.

Two Extensions: We show these results are robust against introducing

- **The Engel (income) effect** (through nonhomothetic CES)
- But, the Engel effect alone could not generate PD without counterfactual implications.**
- **Catching-up** (with an exponential decay in λ), **unless the catching up speed is too large.**



Literature Review. Herrendorf-Rogerson-Valentinyi (14) for a broad survey on structural change

Related to The Baseline Model

Premature Deindustrialization, **Rodrik (16)**

The Baumol Effect: Baumol (67), **Ngai-Pissarides (07)**, Nordhaus (08)

Sectoral implications of cross-country heterogeneity in technology development

- *Log-supermodularity*: **Krugman (85)**, Matsuyama (05), Costinot (09), Costinot-Vogel (15)
- *Productivity difference across countries the largest in A*: Caselli (05), Gollin et.al. (14, AERP&P)
- *Small adoption lags in M*; Rodrik (2013)

Related to Two Extensions

The Engel Effect (Nonhomotheticity); Murphy et.al. (89), Matsuyama (92,02), Kongsamut et.al. (01), Foellmi-Zweimueller (08), Buera-Kaboski (09,12), Boppart (14), **Comin-Lashkari-Mestieri (21)**, Matsuyama (19), Lewis et.al. (21), Bohr-Mestieri-Yavuz (21)

Catching-Up/Technology Diffusion: Acemoglu (08), Comin-Mestieri (18)

The Issues We Abstract From

Sector-level productivity growth rate differences across countries: Huneus-Rogerson (20)

Open economy implications: Matsuyama (92,09), Uy-Yi-Zhang (13), Sposi-Yi-Zhang (19), Fujiwara-Matsuyama (WinP)

Endogenous growth, externalities, Matsuyama(92),

Sectoral wedges/misallocation: Caselli(05), Gollin et.al. (14 QJE) and many others

Nominal vs. Real expenditure; Employment vs. Value Added shares; Compatibility with aggregate balance growth, investment vs consumption, sector-specific factor intensities, skill premium, home production, productivity slowdown, etc.

Structural Change, the Baumol Effect, and Adoption Lags

Three Complementary Goods/Competitive Sectors, $j = 1, 2, 3$

Sector-1 = (A)griculture, Sector-2 = (M)anufacturing, Sector-3 = (S)ervices.

Demand System: L Identical HH, each supplies 1 unit of mobile labor at w ; κ_j units of factor specific to j at ρ_j .

Budget Constraint:

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 p_j c_j \leq E \equiv w + \sum_{j=1}^3 \rho_j \kappa_j$$

CES Preferences:

$$U(\mathbf{c}) = \left[\sum_{j=1}^3 (\beta_j)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}} (c_j)^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}}$$

with $\beta_j > 0$ and $0 < \sigma < 1$ (gross complementarity)

Expenditure Shares:

$$m_j \equiv \frac{p_j c_j}{E} = \frac{\beta_j (p_j)^{1-\sigma}}{\sum_{k=1}^3 \beta_k (p_k)^{1-\sigma}} = \beta_j \left(\frac{E/p_j}{U} \right)^{\sigma-1}$$

Three Competitive Sectors: Production

Cobb-Douglas

$$Y_j = A_j(\kappa_j L)^{\alpha} (L_j)^{1-\alpha}$$

$A_j > 0$: the TFP of sector- j ; $\alpha \in [0,1)$ the share of specific factor.

Employment Share

$$s_j \equiv \frac{L_j}{L}; \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 s_j = 1$$

Output per worker Output per capita

$$\frac{Y_j}{L_j} = \tilde{A}_j (s_j)^{-\alpha}; \quad \frac{Y_j}{L} = \tilde{A}_j (s_j)^{1-\alpha}$$

where $\tilde{A}_j \equiv A_j(\kappa_j)^{\alpha}$.

With Cobb-Douglas, $wL_j = (1 - \alpha)p_j Y_j$, implying the employment shares equal to

Value-Added Shares

$$\frac{p_j Y_j}{EL} = \frac{p_j Y_j}{\sum_{k=1}^3 p_k Y_k} = s_j = \frac{L_j}{L}$$

Equilibrium: The expenditure shares are equal to the employment and value-added shares.

$$m_j = \frac{p_j Y_j}{EL} = s_j$$

which lead to

Equilibrium Shares

$$s_j = \frac{\left[\beta_j^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_j \right]^{-a}}{\sum_{k=1}^3 \left[\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_k \right]^{-a}}$$

Per Capita Income

$$U = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^3 \left[\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_k \right]^{-a} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}}$$

where

$$a \equiv \frac{1 - \sigma}{1 - \alpha(1 - \sigma)} = - \frac{\partial \log(s_j/s_k)}{\partial \log(\tilde{A}_j/\tilde{A}_k)} > 0.$$

This captures how much relatively high productivity in a sector contributes to its relatively low equilibrium share.

Productivity Growth: $\{\tilde{A}_j(t)\}_{j=1}^3$ change according to:

$$\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j) = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{g_j(t-\lambda_j)} = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{-\lambda_j g_j} e^{g_j t}$$

$\bar{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{g_j t}$: **Frontier Technology** in j , with a constant **growth rate** $g_j > 0$.

$\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j)$; $\lambda_j =$ **Adoption Lag** in j .

- g_j and λ_j are sector-specific.
- λ_j has **no “growth” effect**.
- λ_j has **the “level” effect**, $e^{-\lambda_j g_j}$, which is decreasing in λ_j and the effect is proportional to g_j

Key: Log-submodularity, $\frac{\partial}{\partial g_j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_j} \ln e^{-\lambda_j g_j} \right) < 0$: g_j magnifies the negative effect of the adoption lag on productivity

A large adoption lag would not matter much in a sector with slow productivity growth.

Even a small adoption lag would matter a lot in a sector with fast productivity growth.

$$U(t) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^3 \left[\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_k \right]^{-a} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^3 \tilde{\beta}_k e^{-a g_k (t - \lambda_k)} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}}, \quad \text{where } \tilde{\beta}_k \equiv \left(\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \bar{A}_k(0) \right)^{-a} = \left(\frac{\beta_k^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}}{\bar{A}_k(0)} \right)^a > 0.$$

Longer adoption lags would shift down the time path of $U(t)$.

Relative Prices:

$$\left(\frac{p_j(t)}{p_k(t)}\right)^{1-\alpha(1-\sigma)} = \left(\frac{\beta_j}{\beta_k}\right)^\alpha \frac{\bar{A}_k(0)}{\bar{A}_j(0)} e^{(\lambda_j g_j - \lambda_k g_k)t} e^{(g_k - g_j)t}$$

Relative Growth Effect: $p_j(t)/p_k(t)$ is de(in)creasing over time if $g_j > (<)g_k$.

Relative Level Effect: A higher $\lambda_j g_j - \lambda_k g_k$ raises $p_j(t)/p_k(t)$ at any point in time.

Note: For a fixed λ_j , a higher g_j makes the relative price of j higher (though declining faster).

Relative Sector Shares:

$$\frac{s_j(t)}{s_k(t)} = \left[\frac{\beta_j^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j)}{\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \bar{A}_k(t - \lambda_k)} \right]^{-a} = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_j}{\tilde{\beta}_k} e^{a(\lambda_j g_j - \lambda_k g_k)t} e^{a(g_k - g_j)t}$$

Relative Growth Effect: $s_j(t)/s_k(t)$ is de(in)creasing over time if $g_j > (<)g_k$.

Shift from faster growing sectors to slower growing sectors over time.

Relative Level Effect: A higher $\lambda_j g_j - \lambda_k g_k$ raises $s_j(t)/s_k(t)$ at any point in time.

Note: For a fixed λ_j , a higher g_j makes the relative share of j higher (though declining faster).

Structural Change with the Baumol (Relative Price) Effect: Let $g_1 > g_2 > g_3 > 0$

Decline of Agriculture: $s_1(t)$ is decreasing in t , because

$$\frac{1}{s_1(t)} - 1 = \frac{s_2(t)}{s_1(t)} + \frac{s_3(t)}{s_1(t)} = \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_2}{\tilde{\beta}_1} e^{a(\lambda_2 g_2 - \lambda_1 g_1)} \right] e^{a(g_1 - g_2)t} + \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_1} e^{a(\lambda_3 g_3 - \lambda_1 g_1)} \right] e^{a(g_1 - g_3)t}$$

Rise of Services: $s_3(t)$ is increasing in t , because

$$\frac{1}{s_3(t)} - 1 = \frac{s_1(t)}{s_3(t)} + \frac{s_2(t)}{s_3(t)} = \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_3} e^{a(\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_3 g_3)} \right] e^{-a(g_1 - g_3)t} + \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_2}{\tilde{\beta}_3} e^{a(\lambda_2 g_2 - \lambda_3 g_3)} \right] e^{-a(g_2 - g_3)t}$$

Rise and Fall of Manufacturing: $s_2(t)$ is hump-shaped in t , because

$$\frac{1}{s_2(t)} - 1 = \frac{s_1(t)}{s_2(t)} + \frac{s_3(t)}{s_2(t)} = \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} e^{a(\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_2 g_2)} \right] e^{-a(g_1 - g_2)t} + \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_2} e^{a(\lambda_3 g_3 - \lambda_2 g_2)} \right] e^{a(g_2 - g_3)t},$$

where $\tilde{\beta}_k \equiv \left(\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \bar{A}_k(0) \right)^{-a} = \left(\frac{\beta_k^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}}{\bar{A}_k(0)} \right)^a > 0$.

$g_1 > g_2$ pushes labor out of A to M; $g_2 > g_3$ pulls labor out of M to S.

Manufacturing Peak: “^” indicates the peak. From $s_2'(\hat{t}) = 0$,

$$\hat{t} = \frac{\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} + \hat{t}_0, \quad \text{where } \frac{\bar{A}_1(\hat{t}_0)}{\bar{A}_3(\hat{t}_0)} = \frac{\bar{A}_1(0)}{\bar{A}_3(0)} e^{(g_1 - g_3)\hat{t}_0} \equiv \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_3}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \left(\frac{g_1 - g_2}{g_2 - g_3}\right)^{\frac{1}{a}}$$

Two Normalizations:

$$\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_3} \equiv \left\{ \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_3}\right)^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \frac{\bar{A}_1(0)}{\bar{A}_3(0)} \right\}^{-a} = \frac{g_2 - g_3}{g_1 - g_2} \Leftrightarrow \hat{t}_0 = 0$$

$$\tilde{\beta}_1 + \tilde{\beta}_2 + \tilde{\beta}_3 = 1$$

The calendar time is reset so that the country with $\lambda_j = 0$ reaches its M-peak at $\hat{t} = 0$.

The country with $\lambda_j = 0$ reaches its M-peak at $U(\hat{t}) = 1$.

Then,

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \frac{\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3}$$

Peak M-Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} - 1\right) e^{\frac{a(g_1 - g_2)(g_2 - g_3)}{(g_1 - g_3)} \left(\frac{\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} - \frac{\lambda_2 g_2 - \lambda_3 g_3}{g_2 - g_3}\right)}$$

Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$U(\hat{t}) = \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{-a g_1 g_3 \left(\frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_3}{g_1 - g_3}\right)} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-a g_2 \left(\frac{\lambda_1 g_1 - \lambda_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} - \lambda_2\right)} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}}$$

Technology Gaps and Premature Deindustrialization

Consider the world with many countries with

$$(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)\lambda$$

$\lambda \geq 0$: **Technology Gap, Country-specific**

$\theta_j > 0$: **Sector-specific**, capturing the inherent difficulty of technology adoption, common across countries

- **Countries differ only in one dimension**, λ , in their ability to adopt the frontier technologies.
- $\theta_j > 0$ determines how the technology gap affects the adoption lag in that sector.

$$\frac{\tilde{A}_j(t)}{\tilde{A}_k(t)} = \frac{\bar{A}_j(0)}{\bar{A}_k(0)} e^{-(\theta_j g_j - \theta_k g_k)\lambda} e^{(g_j - g_k)t} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \ln \left(\frac{\tilde{A}_j(t)}{\tilde{A}_k(t)} \right) = -(\theta_j g_j - \theta_k g_k)$$

Cross-country productivity difference is larger in sector- j than in sector- k if $\theta_j g_j > \theta_k g_k$.

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \lambda.$$

Peak M-Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} - 1 \right) e^{\frac{(g_1 - g_2)(g_2 - g_3)}{(g_1 - g_3)} \left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} - \frac{\theta_2 g_2 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_2 - g_3} \right) a \lambda}$$

Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$U(\hat{t}) = \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{-g_1 g_3 \left(\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{g_1 - g_3} \right) a \lambda} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-g_2 \left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} - \theta_2 \right) a \lambda} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}}$$

Figure 1: Conditions for Premature Deindustrialization (PD) only with the Baumol (Relative Price) Effect

$$\frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_3 g_3.$$

With $\theta_1 g_1 > \theta_3 g_3$, the price of A is high and the price of S is low relative to M in a high- λ country, which delays structural change.

$$\frac{\partial s_2(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} > \frac{\theta_2 g_2 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_2 - g_3}$$

With a low θ_2 , which has no effect on \hat{t} , the price of M is low relative to both A & S in a high- λ country, which keeps the M-share low.

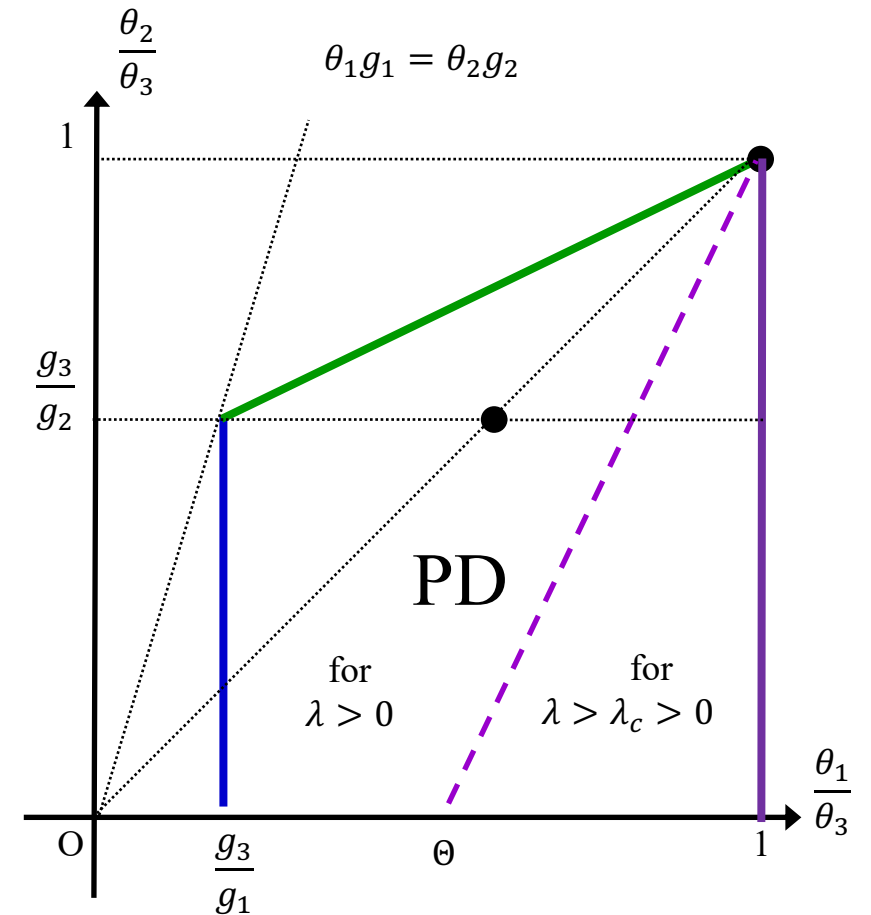
Under the above condition,

$$\frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0 \text{ for a sufficiently large } \lambda \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 < \theta_3$$

$$\frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow 0 < (1 - \Theta) \left(1 - \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3} \right) < \left(1 - \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} \right),$$

where $g_3/g_1 < \Theta < 1$.

These conditions jointly imply $\theta_1 g_1 > \theta_2 g_2, \theta_3 g_3$ (productivity differences the largest in A) and $\theta_1, \theta_2 < \theta_3$ (adoption lag the longest in S).



Some Examples

Example 1: No Premature Deindustrialization (PD)

Uniform Adoption Lags, as in Krugman (1985)

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 = \theta_3 = 1 \iff \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda > 0$$

$$\implies \hat{t} = \lambda; \quad s_2(\hat{t}) = \tilde{\beta}_2; \quad U(\hat{t}) = 1$$

- The country's technology gap causes a delay in the peak time, \hat{t} , by $\lambda > 0$.
- The peak M-share & per capita income at the peak time unaffected.

Each country follows exactly the same development path of early industrializers *with a delay*. No PD!!

Example 2: Premature Deindustrialization (PD)

$$\frac{g_3}{g_1} < \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} = \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3} \equiv \theta < 1$$

1st Inequality $\Rightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_3 g_3$ Equality: $\Rightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_2 g_2$

Cross-country productivity differences the largest in A. e.g., Caselli (2005), Gollin et.al. (2014, AERP&P)

2nd Inequality $\Rightarrow \theta_1, \theta_2 < \theta_3$

Technology adoption the hardest in S (due to its intangible nature of technology).

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \left(\frac{\theta g_1 - g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \right) \theta_3 \lambda \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0$$

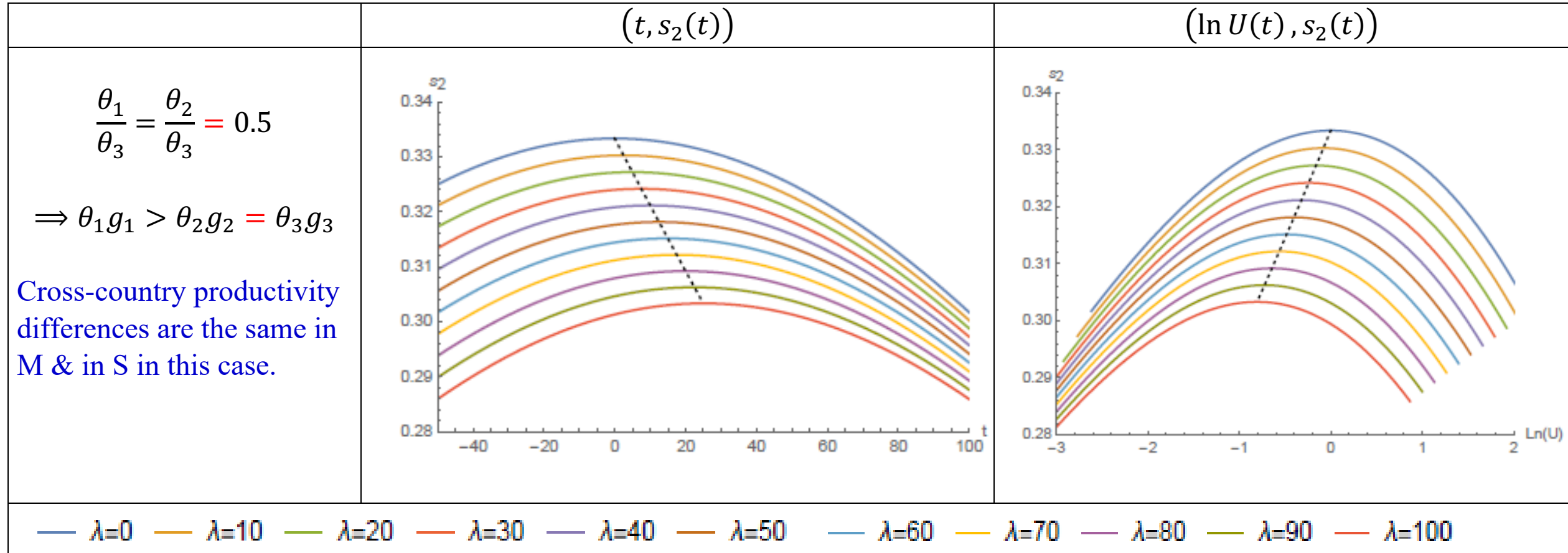
Peak M-Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} - 1 \right) e^{\frac{a(g_1 - g_2)g_3(1-\theta)\theta_3 \lambda}{g_1 - g_3}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial s_2(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0$$

Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$U(\hat{t}) = \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{\frac{g_1 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} (1-\theta)\theta_3 a \lambda} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{\frac{g_2 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} (1-\theta)\theta_3 a \lambda} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0$$

Example 2 Continued: Numerical Illustrations. In all cases, we use $g_1 = 3.6\% > g_2 = 2.4\% > g_3 = 1.2\%$; $\alpha = 1/3$, and $\sigma = 0.6$ (hence $a = 6/13$). $\tilde{\beta}_j = 1/3$ for $j = 1, 2, 3 \Rightarrow s_2(\hat{t}) = \tilde{\beta}_2 = 1/3$; $\hat{U}(\hat{t}) = 1$; $\hat{t} = 0$ for $\lambda = 0$.

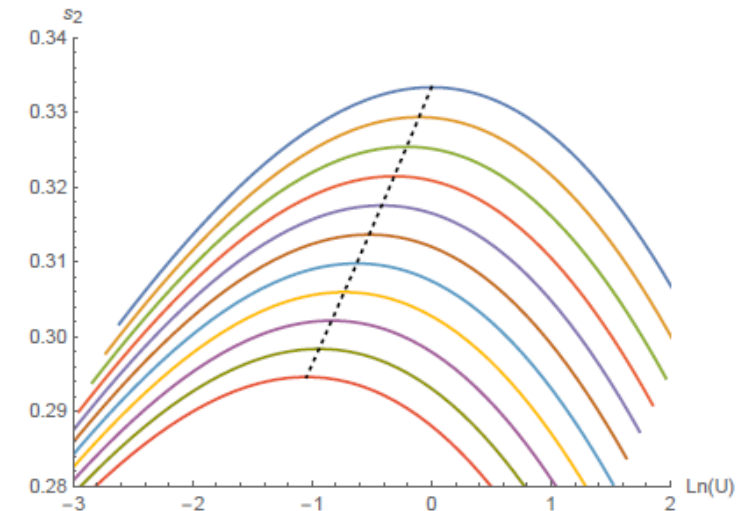
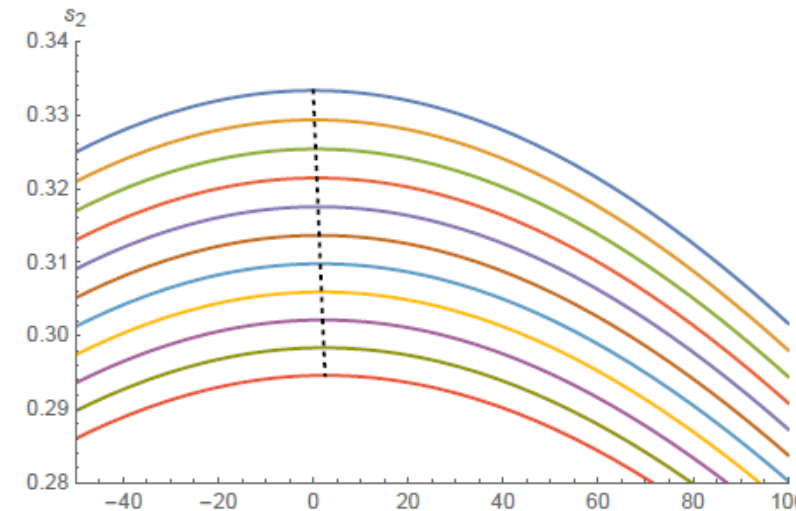


Example 2 Continued: Numerical Illustrations

$$\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} = \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3} = 0.35$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_3 g_3 > \theta_2 g_2$$

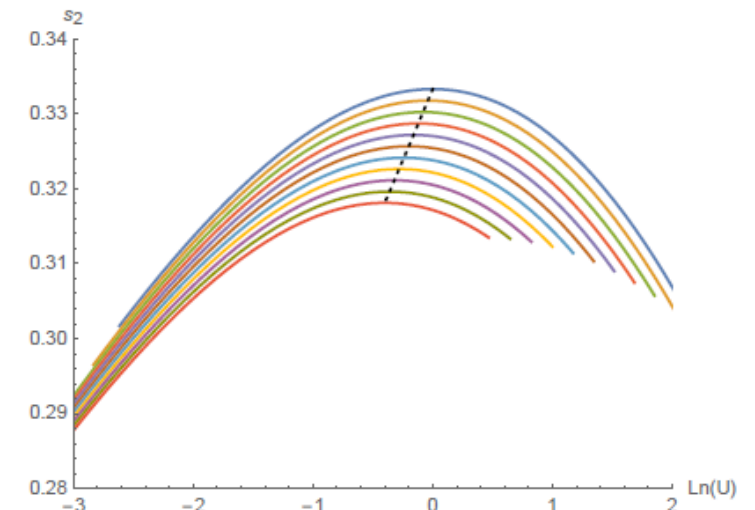
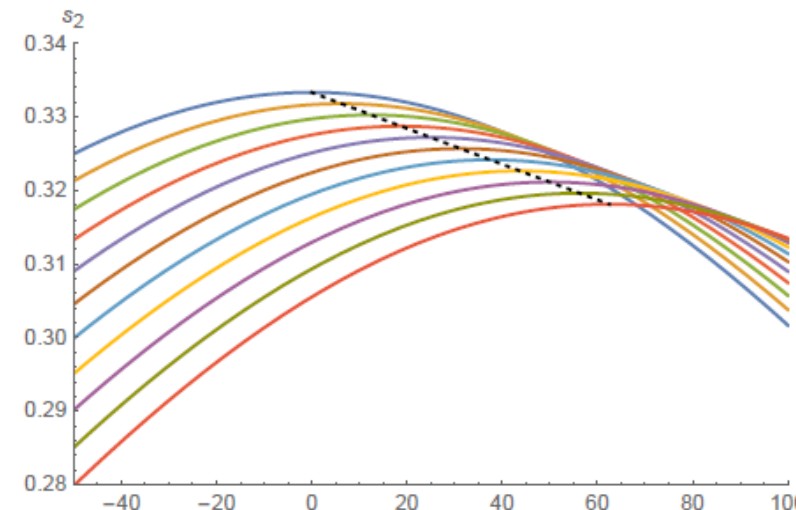
Cross-country productivity differences the smallest in M.



$$\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} = \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3} = 0.75$$

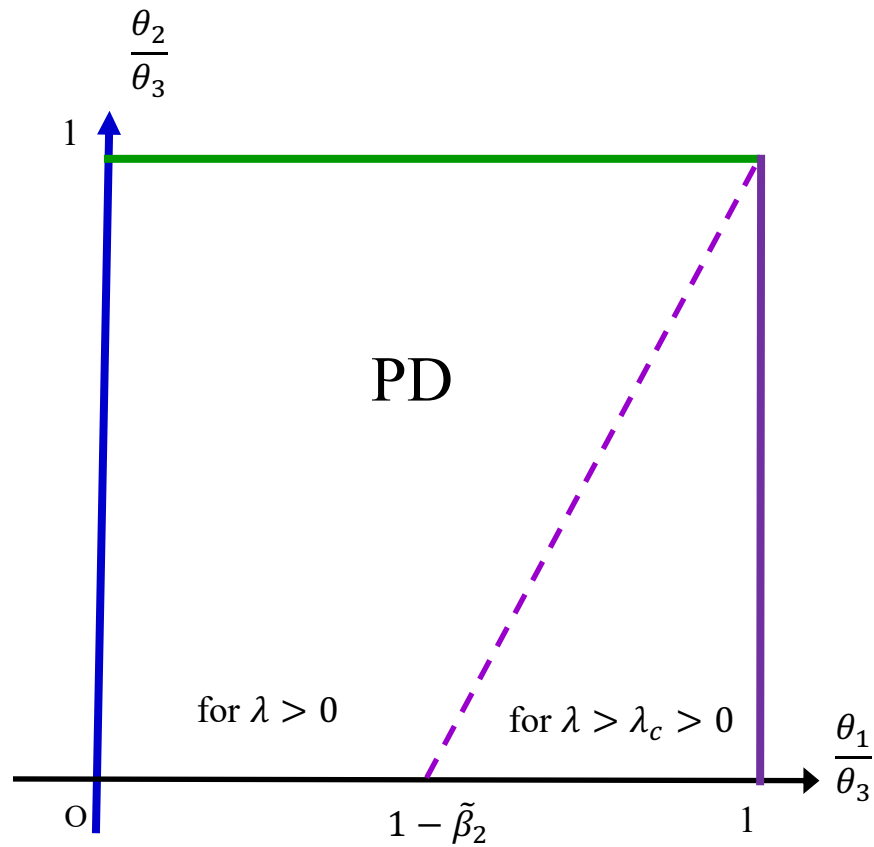
$$\Rightarrow \theta_1 g_1 > \theta_2 g_2 > \theta_3 g_3$$

Cross-country productivity differences the smallest in S.

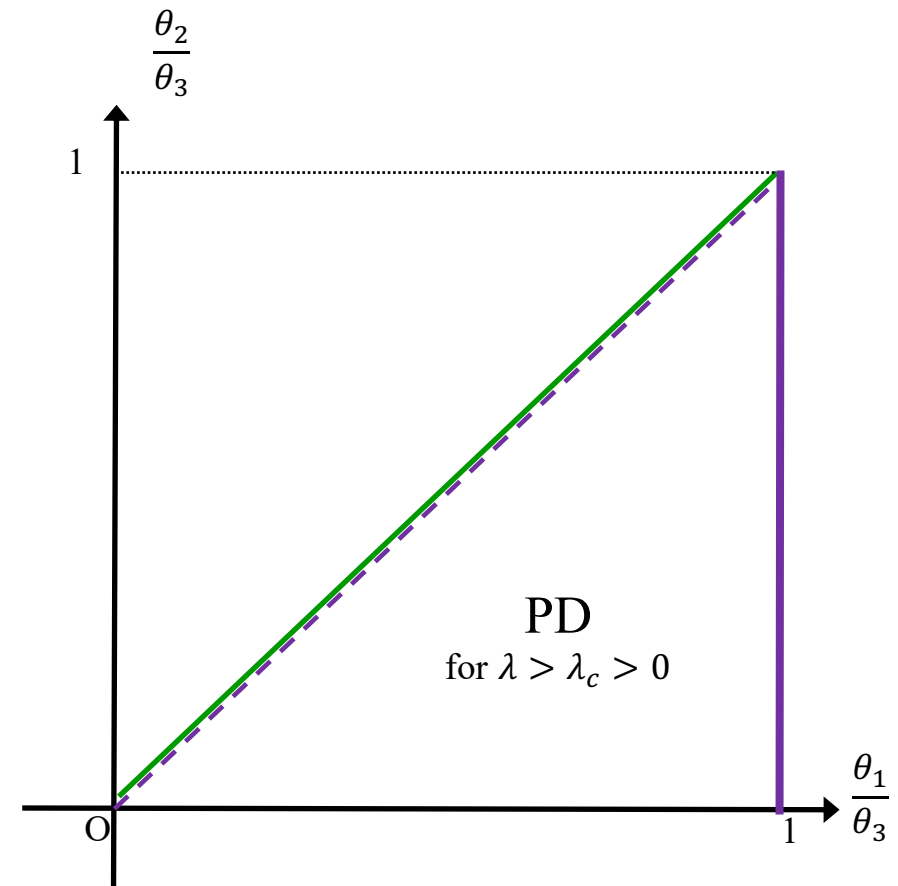


Some Limit Cases

For $g_3/g_1 \rightarrow 0; g_3/g_2 \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \Theta \rightarrow 1 - \tilde{\beta}_2$



For $g_3/g_1 \rightarrow 0; g_3/g_2 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Theta \rightarrow 0$



Introducing the Engel Effect

The Engel Law through Isoelastic Nonhomothetic CES; Comin-Lashkari-Mestieri (2021), Matsuyama (2019)

$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^3 (\beta_j)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}} \left(\frac{c_j}{U^{\varepsilon_j}} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}} \equiv 1$$

Normalize $\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 = 3$; with $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = \varepsilon_3 = 1$, we go back to the standard homothetic CES.

With $\sigma < 1$, $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2 < \varepsilon_3 \Rightarrow$ **the income elasticity the lowest in A and the highest in S.**

By maximizing U subject to $\sum_{j=1}^3 p_j c_j \leq E$,

Expenditure Shares
$$m_j \equiv \frac{p_j c_j}{E} = \frac{\beta_j (U^{\varepsilon_j} p_j)^{1-\sigma}}{\sum_{k=1}^3 \beta_k (U^{\varepsilon_k} p_k)^{1-\sigma}} = \beta_j \left(\frac{U^{\varepsilon_j} p_j}{E} \right)^{1-\sigma} \Rightarrow \frac{m_j}{m_k} = \frac{\beta_j}{\beta_k} \left(\frac{p_j}{p_k} U^{\varepsilon_j - \varepsilon_k} \right)^{1-\sigma}$$

Indirect Utility Function:
$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^3 \beta_j \left(\frac{U^{\varepsilon_j} p_j}{E} \right)^{1-\sigma} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \equiv 1$$

Cost-of-Living Index:
$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^3 \beta_j \left(\frac{U^{\varepsilon_j - 1} p_j}{P} \right)^{1-\sigma} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \equiv 1 \Leftrightarrow U \equiv \frac{E}{P}$$

Income Elasticity:
$$\eta_j \equiv \frac{\partial \ln c_j}{\partial \ln(U)} = 1 + \frac{\partial \ln m_j}{\partial \ln(E/P)} = 1 + (1 - \sigma) \left\{ \varepsilon_j - \sum_{k=1}^3 m_k \varepsilon_k \right\}$$

Structural Change with the Engel (Income) Effect: Let $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2 < \varepsilon_3 = 3 - \varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2$. Then, even with constant relative prices,

Decline of Agriculture: $s_1(t) = m_1(t)$ is decreasing in $U(t)$, because

$$\frac{1}{s_1(t)} - 1 = \frac{m_2(t)}{m_1(t)} + \frac{m_3(t)}{m_1(t)} = \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} U(t)^{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1} \right)^{1-\sigma} + \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_1} \left(\frac{p_3}{p_1} U(t)^{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1} \right)^{1-\sigma}$$

Rise of Services: $s_3(t) = m_3(t)$ is increasing in $U(t)$, because

$$\frac{1}{s_3(t)} - 1 = \frac{m_1(t)}{m_3(t)} + \frac{m_2(t)}{m_3(t)} = \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_3} \left(\frac{p_1}{p_3} U(t)^{\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_3} \right)^{1-\sigma} + \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_3} \left(\frac{p_2}{p_3} U(t)^{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_3} \right)^{1-\sigma}$$

Rise and Fall of Manufacturing: $s_2(t) = m_2(t)$ is hump-shaped in $U(t)$, because

$$\frac{1}{s_2(t)} - 1 = \frac{m_1(t)}{m_2(t)} + \frac{m_3(t)}{m_2(t)} = \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_2} \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} U(t)^{\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2} \right)^{1-\sigma} + \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_2} \left(\frac{p_3}{p_2} U(t)^{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2} \right)^{1-\sigma}.$$

$\varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$ pushes labor out of A to M; $\varepsilon_2 < \varepsilon_3$ pulls labor out of M to S.

The production side is the same as before. By following the same step, we obtain

Equilibrium Shares

$$s_j = \frac{\left[\beta_j^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_j \right]^{-a}}{\left[U^{\varepsilon_j} \right]^{-a}}, \quad \text{where } \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{\left[\beta_k^{\frac{1}{\sigma-1}} \tilde{A}_k \right]^{-a}}{\left[U^{\varepsilon_k} \right]^{-a}} \equiv 1$$

With $\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(t - \lambda_j) = \bar{A}_j(0)e^{g_j(t - \theta_j \lambda)}$,

$$s_2(t): \quad \frac{1}{s_2(t)} = U(t)^{a(\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2)} \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} e^{a(\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2)\lambda} \right] e^{-a(g_1 - g_2)t} + 1 + U(t)^{a(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2)} \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_2} e^{a(\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2 g_2)\lambda} \right] e^{a(g_2 - g_3)t}$$

$$U(t): \quad U(t)^{a\varepsilon_1} \tilde{\beta}_1 e^{-ag_1(t - \theta_1 \lambda)} + U(t)^{a\varepsilon_2} \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-ag_2(t - \theta_2 \lambda)} + U(t)^{a\varepsilon_3} \tilde{\beta}_3 e^{-ag_3(t - \theta_3 \lambda)} \equiv 1$$

$$s_2'(t) = 0: \quad (g_1 - g_2) = (g_2 - g_3) U^{a(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2)} \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_1} \right] e^{a(\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_1 g_1)\lambda} e^{a(g_1 - g_3)t}$$

$$+ \frac{\left\{ (\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2) + (\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2) U^{a(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1)} \left[\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_1} \right] e^{a(\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_1 g_1)\lambda} e^{a(g_1 - g_3)t} \right\} \left\{ g_1 U^{a(\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2)} \tilde{\beta}_1 e^{-ag_1(t - \theta_1 \lambda)} + g_2 \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-ag_2(t - \theta_2 \lambda)} + g_3 U^{a(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2)} \tilde{\beta}_3 e^{-ag_3(t - \theta_3 \lambda)} \right\}}{\varepsilon_1 U^{a(\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2)} \tilde{\beta}_1 e^{-ag_1(t - \theta_1 \lambda)} + \varepsilon_2 \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-ag_2(t - \theta_2 \lambda)} + \varepsilon_3 U^{a(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2)} \tilde{\beta}_3 e^{-ag_3(t - \theta_3 \lambda)}}.$$

\hat{t} and \hat{U} solve the equation for $U(t)$ and the equation for $s_2'(t) = 0$, simultaneously.

Then, \hat{s}_2 can be obtained by plugging \hat{t} and \hat{U} into the equation for $s_2(t)$

**(Analytically Solvable)
“Unbiased” Case**

$$0 < \mu \equiv \frac{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1}{g_1 - g_2} = \frac{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2}{g_2 - g_3} < \frac{1}{g_1 - \bar{g}}, \quad \text{where} \quad \bar{g} \equiv \frac{g_1 + g_2 + g_3}{3}$$

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \lambda - \ln \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{-g_1 g_3 \left(\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{g_1 - g_3} \right) a \lambda} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-g_2 \left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2}{g_1 - g_3} \right) a \lambda} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{\mu}{1 + \mu \bar{g}} \right)}$$

Peak M-Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} - 1 \right) e^{\frac{(g_1 - g_2)(g_2 - g_3)}{(g_1 - g_3)} \left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} - \frac{\theta_2 g_2 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_2 - g_3} \right) a \lambda}$$

Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$U(\hat{t}) = \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{-g_1 g_3 \left(\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{g_1 - g_3} \right) a \lambda} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-g_2 \left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2}{g_1 - g_3} \right) a \lambda} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \mu \bar{g}} \right)}$$

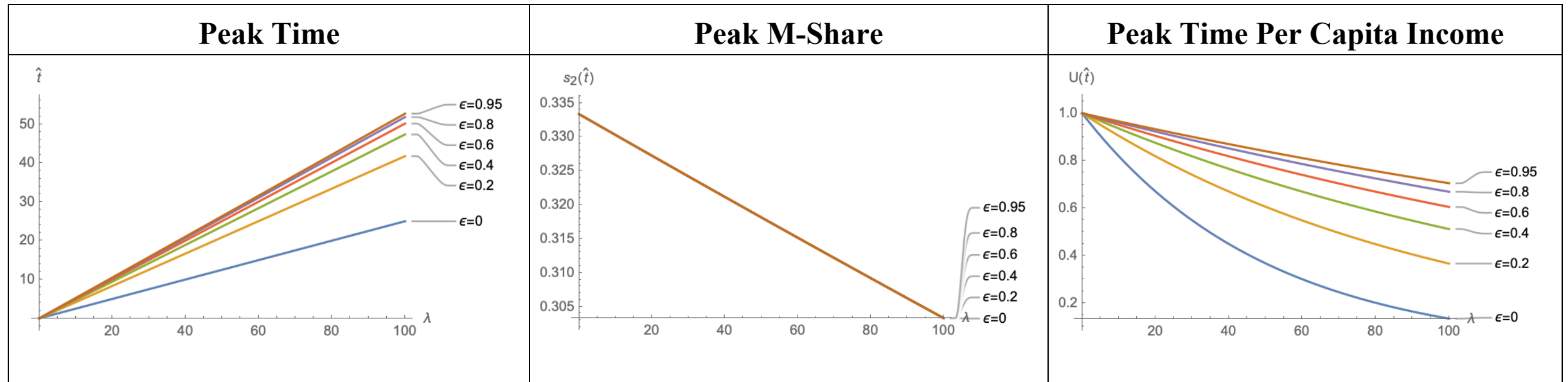
$\frac{\partial s_2(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0$; $\frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0$ under the same condition; $\frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0$ under a weaker condition. With g_1, g_2, g_3 fixed, a higher μ has

- **No effect** on $\hat{t}, s_2(\hat{t}), U(\hat{t})$ for the country with $\lambda = 0$.
- A further delay in \hat{t} for every country with $\lambda > 0$.
- **No effect on** $s_2(\hat{t})$ for every country with $\lambda > 0$.
- A smaller decline in $U(\hat{t})$ for each country with $\lambda > 0$.

(Analytically Solvable) “Unbiased” Case: A Numerical Illustration

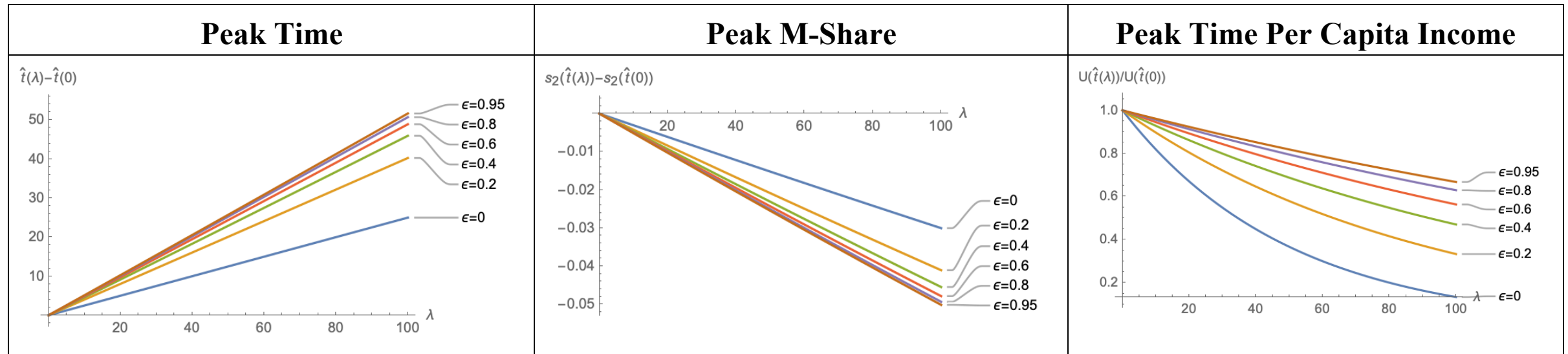
$g_1 = 3.6\% > g_2 = 2.4\% > g_3 = 1.2\%$, $\theta = 0.5$, $a = 6/13$; $\tilde{\beta}_j = 1/3$ for $j = 1, 2, 3$.

In this case, $g_1 - g_2 = g_2 - g_3 = \bar{g} = 1.2\% > 0 \implies \varepsilon_1 = 1 - \epsilon < \varepsilon_2 = 1 < \varepsilon_3 = 1 + \epsilon$ for $0 < \epsilon = (1.2\%)\mu < 1$



(Empirically More Plausible) Biased Case:

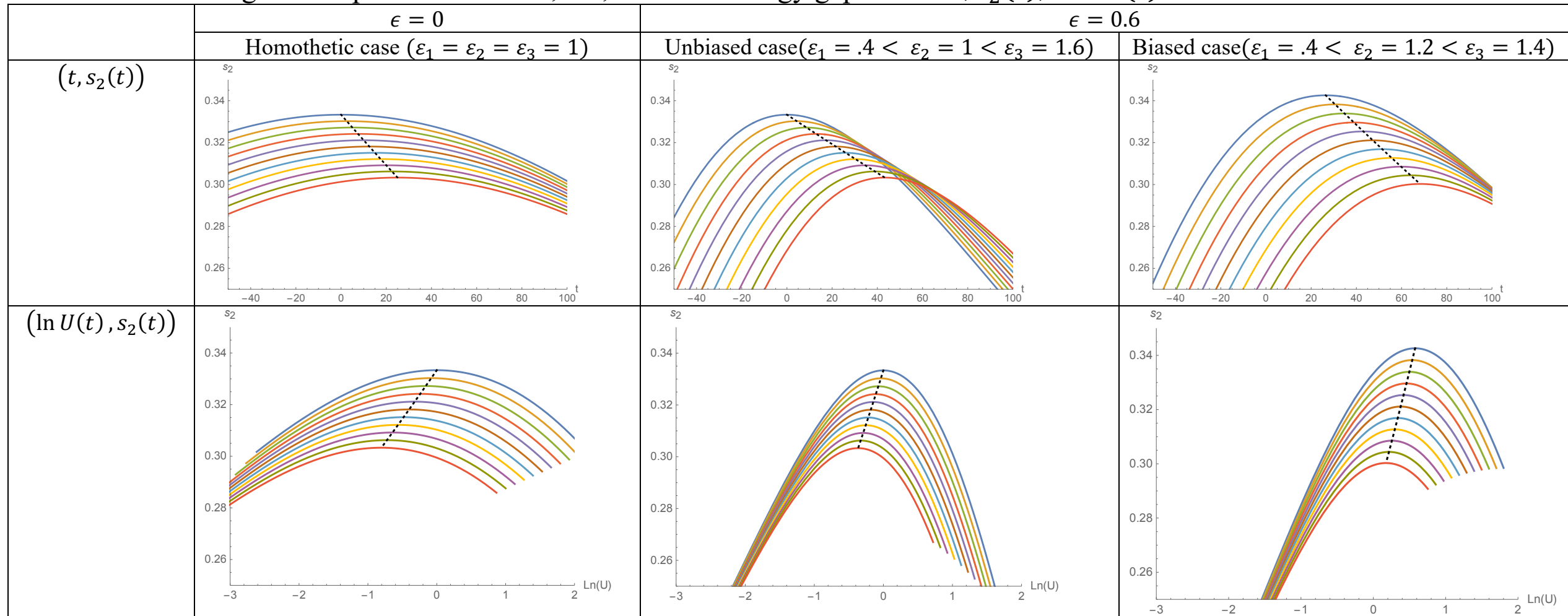
$$\varepsilon_1 = 1 - \varepsilon < \varepsilon_2 = 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \varepsilon_3 = 1 + \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} \text{ for } 0 < \varepsilon < 1 \implies \frac{g_1 - g_2}{g_2 - g_3} = 1 < \frac{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2} = 4, \text{ as in CLM (2021).}$$



PD ($\frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0, \frac{\partial s_2(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0, \frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0$). Relative to the frontier country, a higher ε causes a high- λ country to have

- A further delay in \hat{t}
- A *larger* decline in $s_2(\hat{t})$.
- A smaller decline in $U(\hat{t})$.

Stronger nonhomotheticity changes the shape of the time paths significantly.
 It does not change the implications on PD, i.e., how technology gaps affect \hat{t} , $s_2(\hat{t})$, and $U(\hat{t})$.



Premature Deindustrialization (PD) through the Engel (Income) Effect Only

What happens if we rely *entirely* on the Engel effect, by removing the Baumol effect with $g_1 = g_2 = g_3 = \bar{g} > 0$, while keeping $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2 < \varepsilon_3 = 3 - \varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2$?

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \frac{1}{a\bar{g}} \ln \left\{ (1 - \tilde{\beta}_2) e^{\frac{(\varepsilon_3\theta_1 - \varepsilon_1\theta_3)}{(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1)} a\bar{g}\lambda} + \tilde{\beta}_2 e^{\left(\theta_2 + \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_3)}{(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1)} \varepsilon_2\right) a\bar{g}\lambda} \right\}$$

Peak M-Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} - 1 = \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} - 1 \right) e^{\frac{\varepsilon_3\theta_3}{(\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1)} \left[\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3}\right) - \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3}\right) \right] a\bar{g}\lambda}$$

Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$\ln U(\hat{t}) = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_3}{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_1} \bar{g}\lambda$$

with the two normalizations

$$\left(\frac{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2} \right) \frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_3} = 1; \quad \tilde{\beta}_1 + \tilde{\beta}_2 + \tilde{\beta}_3 = 1$$

which ensures $U(\hat{t}) = 1$ and $\hat{t} = 0$ for $\lambda = 0$.

Conditions for Premature Deindustrialization (PD) only with the Engel Effect

$$\frac{\partial U(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow 0 < \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} < 1$$

With a low θ_1 and a high θ_3 , the price of the income elastic S is high relative to the income inelastic A in a high- λ country, which make it necessary to reallocate labor to S at earlier stage of development.

$$\frac{\partial s_2(\hat{t})}{\partial \lambda} < 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_2}{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1} > \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_3}{\varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2}$$

With a low θ_2 , which has no effect on $U(\hat{t})$, the price of M is low relative to both A & S in a high- λ country, which keeps the M-share low.

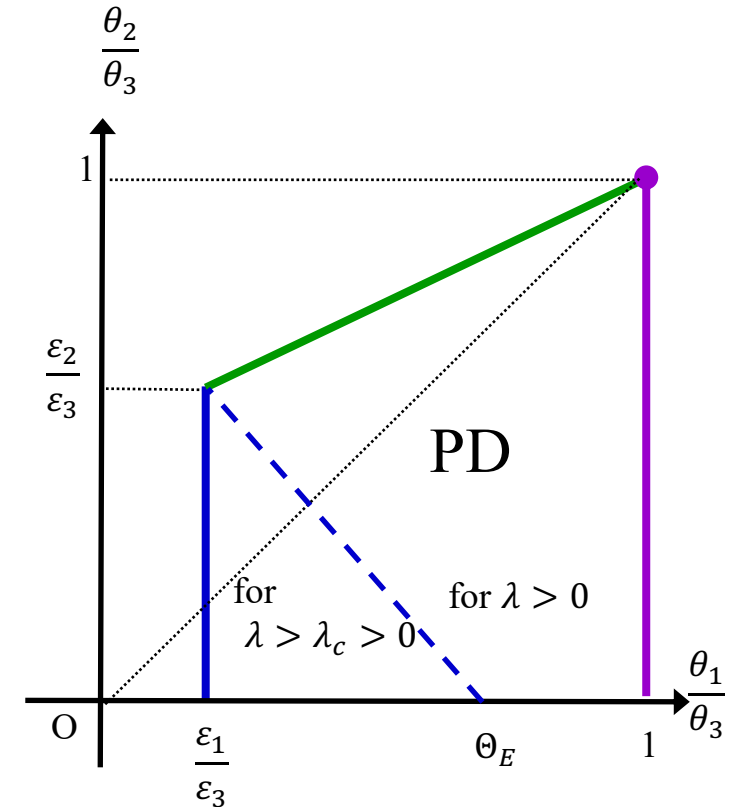
Under the above condition,

$$\frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0 \text{ for a sufficiently large } \lambda \Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} > \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3}$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \lambda} > 0 \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\Theta_E - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3}\right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_2}\right) \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3}\right] < \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3} < 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_3}$$

where $\varepsilon_1/\varepsilon_3 < \Theta_E < 1$.

With $g_1 = g_2 = g_3 = \bar{g}$, PD occurs only if $\theta_1 \bar{g}, \theta_2 \bar{g} < \theta_3 \bar{g}$, that is, when cross-country productivity difference is *the largest in S*.



Introducing Catching Up

Narrowing a Technology Gap

We assumed that λ is time-invariant. This implies

The sectoral productivity growth rate is constant over time & identical across countries.

[In contrast, the aggregate growth rate, $g_U(t) \equiv U'(t)/U(t) = \sum_{k=1}^3 g_k s_k(t)$, declines over time, $g'_U(t) = g_1 s'_1(t) + g_2 s'_2(t) + g_3 s'_3(t) = (g_1 - g_2) s'_1(t) + (g_3 - g_2) s'_3(t) < 0$, the so-called Baumol's cost disease.]

*What if technological laggards can **narrow a technology gap**, and hence achieve a higher productivity growth in each sector?*

Countries differ only in the *initial* value of lambda, λ_0 , converging exponentially over time at **the same rate,**

$$\tilde{A}_j(t) = \bar{A}_j(0) e^{g_j(t - \theta_j \lambda_t)}, \quad \text{where } \lambda_t = \lambda_0 e^{-g_\lambda t}, \quad g_\lambda > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{s_2(t)} = \left(\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1}{\tilde{\beta}_2} \right) e^{a[(\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2) \lambda_t - (g_1 - g_2)t]} + 1 + \left(\frac{\tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_2} \right) e^{a[(\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2 g_2) \lambda_t + (g_2 - g_3)t]}$$

Again, by setting the calendar time such that $\hat{t}_0 = 0$ for the frontier country with $\lambda_0 = 0$,

Peak Time

$$\hat{t} = \frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_3 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \lambda_{\hat{t}} + D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})$$

Peak Share

$$\frac{1}{s_2(\hat{t})} = 1 + \left(\frac{\tilde{\beta}_1 + \tilde{\beta}_3}{\tilde{\beta}_2} \right) \left[\frac{(g_2 - g_3)e^{a(g_2 - g_1)D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})} + (g_1 - g_2)e^{a(g_2 - g_3)D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})}}{g_1 - g_3} \right] \left[e^{\frac{a(g_1 - g_2)(g_2 - g_3)}{(g_1 - g_3)}} \right]^{\left(\frac{\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_1 - g_2} + \frac{\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2 g_2}{g_2 - g_3} \right) \lambda_{\hat{t}}}$$

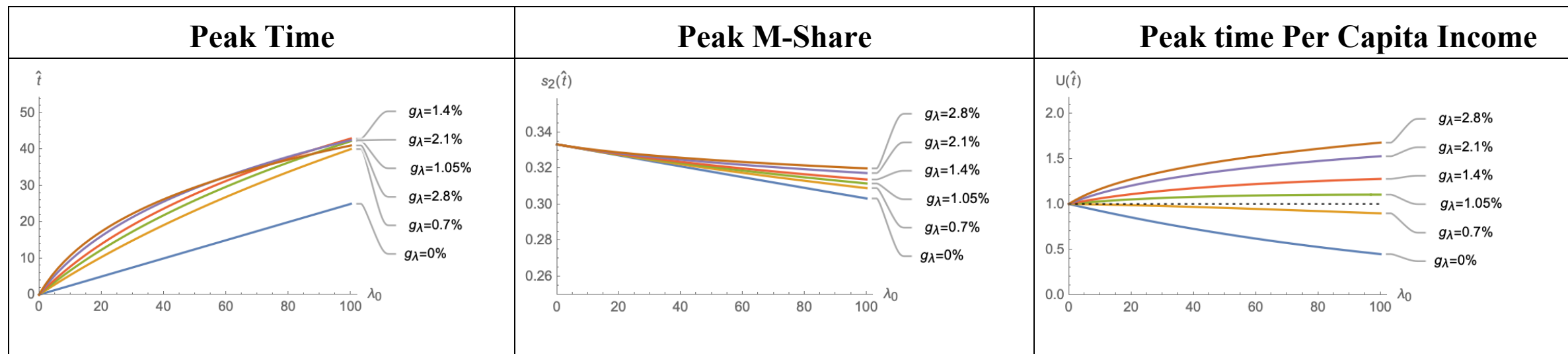
Peak Time Per Capita Income

$$U(\hat{t}) = \left\{ (\tilde{\beta}_1 e^{-a g_1 D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})} + \tilde{\beta}_3 e^{-a g_3 D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})}) e^{-a \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_3) g_1 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \lambda_{\hat{t}}} + (\tilde{\beta}_2 e^{-a g_2 D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}})}) e^{-a \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_2) g_1 g_2 + (\theta_2 - \theta_3) g_2 g_3}{g_1 - g_3} \lambda_{\hat{t}}} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{a}}$$

where

$$D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}}) = \frac{1}{a(g_1 - g_3)} \ln \left[\left(\frac{g_1 - g_2 + (\theta_1 g_1 - \theta_2 g_2) g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}}}{g_2 - g_3 - (\theta_3 g_3 - \theta_2 g_2) g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}}} \right) \left(\frac{g_2 - g_3}{g_1 - g_2} \right) \right].$$

For $g_\lambda = 0$, $D(g_\lambda \lambda_{\hat{t}}) = D(0) = 0$, and all the parts in red disappear, and we go back to the baseline model.



Technological laggards

- peak later in time,
- have lower peak M-shares
- have lower peak time per capita income, **unless g_λ is too large**: Comin-Mestieri (2018)

Concluding Remarks

A simple model of Rodrik's (2016) PD based on

- **Differential productivity growth rates across complementary sectors**, as in Baumol (67), Ngai-Pissarides (07).
- **Countries heterogeneous only in their technology gaps**, as in Krugman (1985).
- Sectors differ in the extent to which technology gap affects their adoption lags, unlike in Krugman (1985)

We find that PD occurs for

- cross-country productivity difference larger in A than in S.
- technology adoption takes not too long in M.
- Technology adoption takes longer in S than in A.

which implies that cross-country productivity difference the largest in A; that technology adoption the longest in S.

The baseline model assumes **homothetic CES** (to focus on the Baumol effect) and **no catching up** (to isolate the level effect from the growth effect).

In two extensions, we showed that the results are *robust* against introducing

- **The Engel effect** with income-elastic S & income-inelastic A, using nonhomothetic CES: CLM(21), Matsuyama(19)

The Engel effect changes the shape of the time paths, but not the implications on technology gaps on PD

The Engel effect *alone* could not generate PD w/o counterfactual implications on cross-country productivity differences

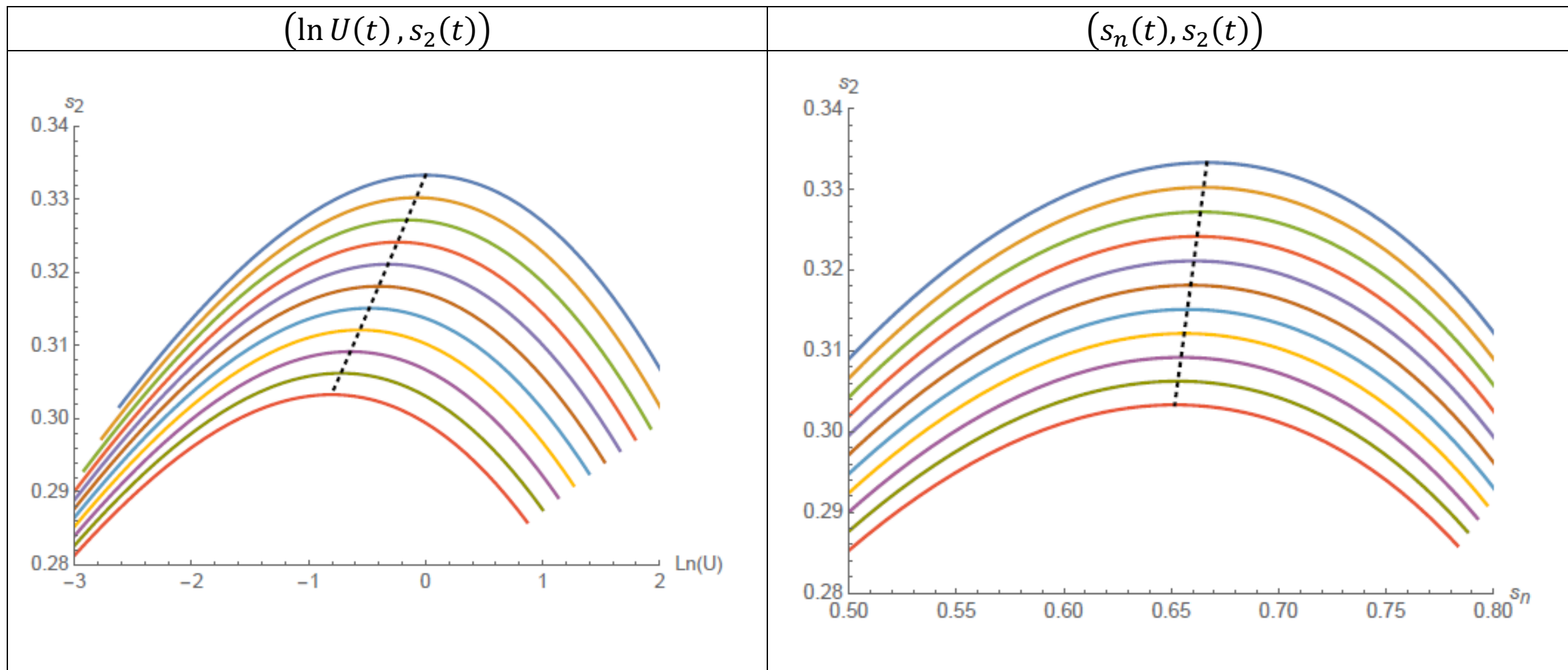
- **Narrowing a technology gap** to allow technological laggards to catch up

unless the catching-up speed is too large.

Appendix

Appendix: Non-agricultural share as another measure of development, $1 - s_1(\hat{t}) = s_2(\hat{t}) + s_3(\hat{t}) \equiv s_n(\hat{t})$

Baseline Homothetic Case:



Nonhomothetic Cases:

