

# Choosing Technologies: Benefits of Investing into the Fourth Industrial Revolution

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## Fourth Industrial Revolution: Automation of the Economy

- **Technology trend across technology fields** (Ménière et al. (2017))
  - Driven by the internet of things
  - Allowing to build systems of smart connected objects
  - Enables use of further technology e.g. cloud computing, AI
- **Large-scale automation of task groups and *intellectual* tasks**

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## Key Take-Aways

- Significant **positive productivity effects** of **4IR and non-4IR technology**
- **Productivity effects** of developing **4IR** technology is **higher**
- Evidence of **installation phase** arguments:
  - **No productivity effects** of 4IR in **early periods**,
  - but **strong effects** in **later period**

## Theoretical Model: Overview

- **Extension of R&D choice models** (Aw et al. (2011), Peters et al 2017, 2020)
  - Model links R&D/innovation  $\longrightarrow$  productivity  $\longrightarrow$  short-run firm profits  $\longrightarrow$  long-run benefits
  - Extension allowing for R&D choice in different technology types
    - 4IR technology ( $d_{it}$ )
    - Non-4IR technology ( $n_{it}$ )

# Theoretical Model: Overview

- **Theoretical model consists of three parts**
  - 1) Consumer demand, short-term profits and price setting
  - 2) Productivity development
  - 3) Dynamic development decision and innovation cost



# Theoretical Model: Part 1 - Firm Profits

- **Revenues**

$$R_{it}(\omega_{it}) = \left( \frac{\eta_j}{1 + \eta_j} \right)^{1+\eta_j} \Phi_{jt} C(\cdot)^{1+\eta_j} e^{-(1+\eta_j)\omega_{it}} \quad (1)$$

- $\omega_{it}$  combines production efficiency and demand shifter into revenue productivity
- Firm **profits**

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## Theoretical Model: Part 2 - Productivity Development

- Technology development decision affects firm's productivity
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(3)

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## Theoretical Model: Part 3 - Long-run Benefit of Developing 4IR Technology

- **Marginal benefit** of technology development investment is given by the difference in expected future value of the firm:
  - **Developing 4IR technology**

$$\Delta_d E_t[V(s_{it+1})] = \delta E_t[V(s_{it+1}|\omega_{it}, n_{it}; d_{it} = 1)] - \delta E_t[V(s_{it+1}|\omega_{it}, n_{it}; d_{it} = 0)] \quad (6)$$

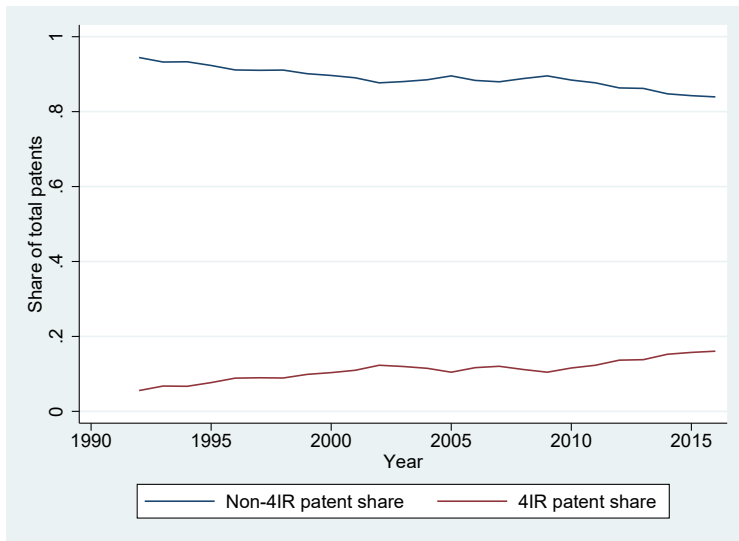
- **Developing non-4IR technology**

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# Data

- **Mannheim Innovation Panel (MIP)**
  - Representative survey of German innovative firms
  - Period 1993-2018
  - Information on firm variables (employees, material, capital, revenues, industry classification )
- **Patent data**
  - PATSTAT - Worldwide patent database
  - Large number of patent characteristics (patent holder, patent family, citations, etc.)
  - Patent classification from EPO for belonging to 4IR 4IR Classification
- Combined we have 45,401 observations (16,580 firms) between 1993 and 2016 Summary statistics

## Increasing Share of 4IR Patents over Time



## Estimation

- We estimate all model parameters in two stages
- 1<sup>st</sup> stage
  - Estimate the revenue function to get all static parameters using NLLS

$$r_{it} = \lambda_{jt} + (1 + \eta_j)(\beta_0 + \beta_k k_{it} + \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{az} A_{it}^z + \beta_e E_{it} - (\alpha_1 \omega_{it-1} + \alpha_2 \omega_{it-1}^2 + \alpha_3 \omega_{it-1}^3 + \alpha_4 d_{it-1} + \alpha_5 n_{it-1} + \alpha_6 d_{it-1} \cdot n_{it-1})) + \epsilon_{it}$$

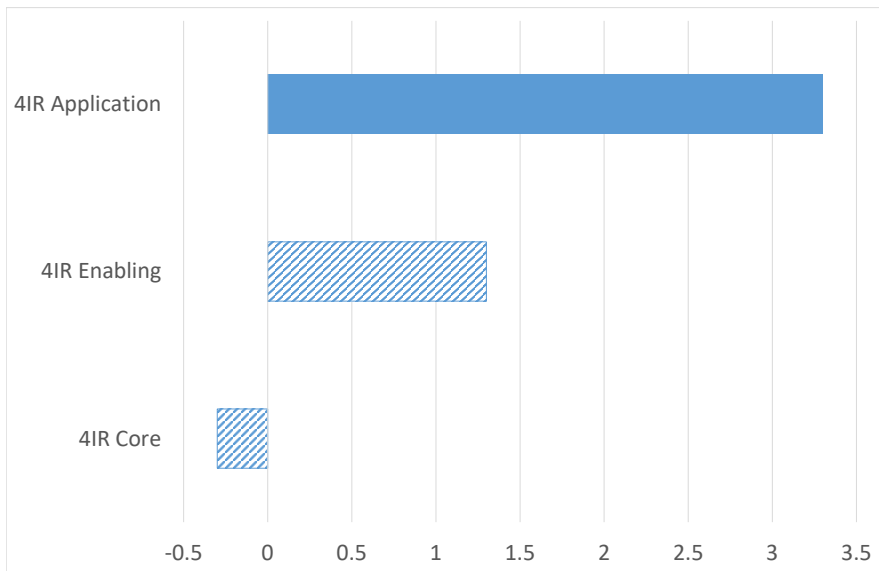
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> stage
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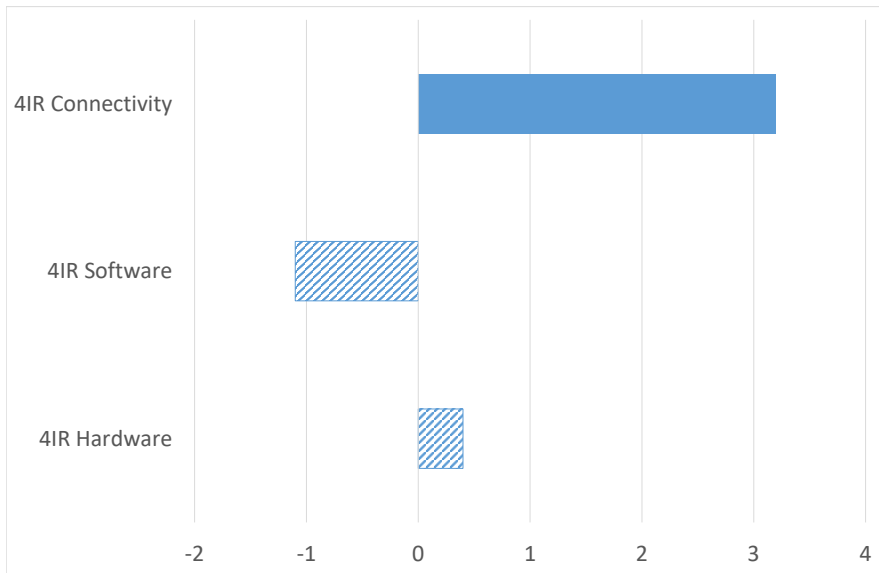
# Developing 4IR and Non-4IR Technologies Increases Productivity But ...

Variables	Digi and non-digi dummies			
	Full	Early	Middle	Late
$\omega_{t-1}$	0.639*** (0.0127)	0.679*** (0.0230)	0.652*** (0.0174)	0.672*** (0.0159)
$\omega_{t-1}^2$	0.162*** (0.00465)	0.152*** (0.00890)	0.173*** (0.00792)	0.150*** (0.00604)
$\omega_{t-1}^3$	-0.0296*** (0.000974)	-0.0318*** (0.00202)	-0.0361*** (0.00230)	-0.0296*** (0.00145)
4IR $_{t-1}$	0.0828*** (0.0192)	0.0258 (0.0404)	0.0404 (0.0348)	0.134*** (0.0277)
Non-4IR $_{t-1}$	0.0675*** (0.00457)	0.0574*** (0.00956)	0.0662*** (0.00749)	0.0711*** (0.00711)
4IR $_{t-1}$ · Non-4IR $_{t-1}$	-0.0609*** (0.0206)	0.0371 (0.0460)	-0.0379 (0.0371)	-0.113*** (0.0296)
Capital	-0.0890*** (0.00180)	-0.0570*** (0.00321)	-0.105*** (0.00318)	-0.100*** (0.00289)
Export	-0.0726*** (0.00659)	-0.0327*** (0.0126)	-0.0667*** (0.0111)	-0.104*** (0.0106)
A <sup>2</sup> : 10 – 19	-0.0133 (0.0145)	0.000608 (0.0324)	0.0262 (0.0222)	-0.0502** (0.0249)
A <sup>3</sup> : 20 – 49	-0.0603*** (0.0142)	-0.0474 (0.0302)	-0.0978*** (0.0239)	-0.0492** (0.0234)
A <sup>4</sup> : 50+	-0.146*** (0.0159)	-0.196*** (0.0300)	-0.170*** (0.0257)	-0.0898*** (0.0278)
N	21,509	5,093	6,944	9,472

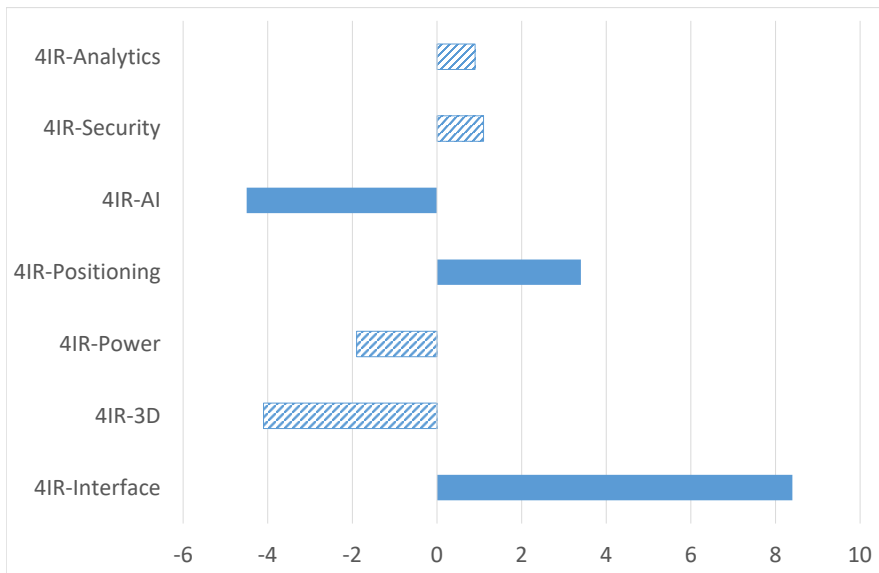
# Productivity Impact of Different Types of 4IR Technologies



# Productivity Impact of Core Technologies



# Productivity Impact of Enabling Technologies



## Conclusion and Outlook

- Constructed a structural model of firm's technology development choice
- Positive productivity effects of developing 4IR
- Early developers did not experience significant productivity effects
- Effect increases substantially over time
- Higher effect for 4IR technology than for non-4IR technology
- High productivity effects especially for 4IR applications (positioning, interface) and core technologies (connectivity)
- No average productivity returns yet to AI
- Outlook: Long-run benefits and policy simulations

Thanks for your attention!

## Appendix: Demand Elasticities

Industry	Full sample $\eta$	1993-2000 $\eta$	2001-2008 $\eta$	2009-2016 $\eta$
Food	-3.15***	-3.08***	-3.21***	-3.15***
Textiles	-3.64***	-3.73***	-3.78***	-3.49***
Paper/wood	-3.54***	-3.48***	-3.64***	-3.51***
Chemicals	-3.09***	-3.04***	-3.12***	-3.11***
Plastic	-3.69***	-3.52***	-3.87***	-3.77***
Minerals	-3.27***	-3.25***	-3.45***	-3.16***
Metal	-3.93***	-3.95***	-4.19***	-3.75***
Machinery	-3.99***	-4.01***	-4.08***	-3.90***
Electronics	-3.94***	-3.86***	-3.95***	-3.99***
Instruments	-3.56***	-3.73***	-3.76***	-3.34***
Vehicles	-4.37***	-4.44***	-4.42***	-4.29***
Misc. manuf.	-3.34***	-3.41***	-3.46***	-3.23***
<i>N</i>	51645	16712	14215	20718

Notes: Significance at the \* 5% level, \*\* 1% level, \*\*\* 0.1% level. Time and industry dummies variables are included in estimation but not reported.

## Appendix: Summary Statistics

Variable	Model	Unit	mean	med	sd	min	max
Revenues	$R$	mio €	384.955	6.564	2585.008	0	82106.4
Fixed capital	$K$	mio €	201.092	1.397	1710.461	0	61201.2
Material cost	$M$	mio €	254.934	2.285	1882.106	0	69101.4
Labor cost		mio €	56.916	1.96	375.290	0	13744.0
Total variable cost	$C^M_q$	mio €	311.851	4.645	2179.944	0	71090.0
Firm age							
0-9	$A^1$	0/1	.197	0	.398	0	1
10-19	$A^2$	0/1	.277	0	.447	0	1
20-49	$A^3$	0/1	.288	0	.453	0	1
50+	$A^4$	0/1	.219	0	.414	0	1
Exporter	$E$	0/1	0.548	1	0.498	0	1
Non-digital tech	$n$	0/1	0.074	0	0.261	0	1
Digital tech	$d$	0/1	0.024	0	0.153	0	1

Notes: Number of observations: 45589. Sample period: 1993-2016. For ease of representation, all monetary variables are in million euro, for estimation we use their log values.

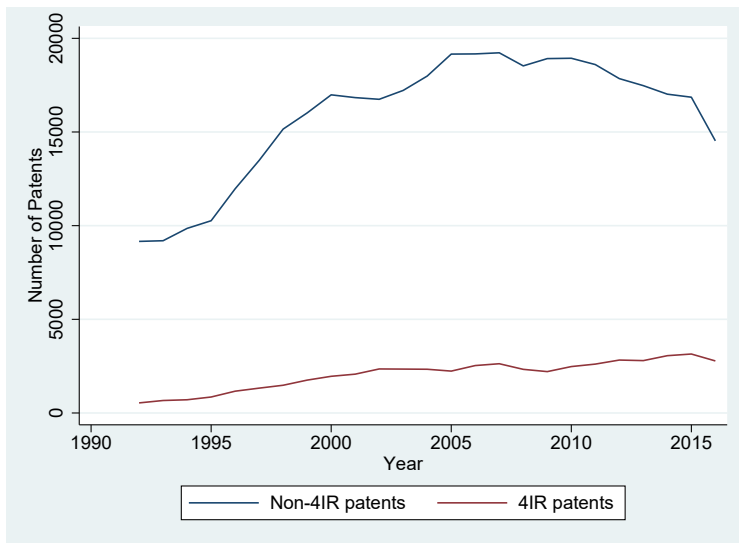


## 4IR Patent classification

- Developed by the European Patent Office in 2017
- Patent examiners from all technology fields identified 320 CPC fields they relate to building blocks of 4IR
- Three building blocks

Technologies	Description	Examples
Core technologies	Basic technologies to build 4IR technology on	sensors, cloud storage, adaptive databases
Enabling technologies	Build on core technologies and allow a variety of application domains	big data diagnostics, virtual reality, position determination sys.
Application domains	Applications using core- and enabling technologies	intelligent robotics, smart home sys., wearables

## Development of 4IR and Non-4IR Patents over Time



## Data: Patents per Industry

Industry	Non-4IR Patents	4IR Patents	% 4IR Patents	Total Patents
Food	474	9	.0186	483
Textiles	1,117	89	.0738	1,206
Paper/Wood	2,564	600	.1896	3,164
Chemicals	52,432	1,203	.0224	53,635
Plastic	4,616	130	.0274	4,746
Minerals	2,068	67	.0314	2,135
Metal	5,156	214	.0399	5,370
Machinery	38,392	3,318	.0795	41,710
Electronics	46,763	14,407	.2355	61,170
Instruments	11,421	2,936	.2045	14,357
Vehicles	26,518	7,658	.2241	34,176
Misc. manuf.	890	98	.0992	988
Total/Average	200,852	34,475	.1465	235,327

## Appendix: Theoretical Model: Part 1 - Consumer Demand

- Assume monopolistic competition (Dixit and Stiglitz (1977))
  - ▶ Allows for differentiated goods
  - ▶ Allows for short-term profits
  - ▶ No strategic interactions
- **Demand** for each firm  $i$ 's

$$q_{it} = \left( \frac{p_{it}}{P_{jt}} \right)^{\eta_j} \frac{I_{jt}}{P_{jt}} e^{\phi_{it}} = \Phi_{jt} p_{it}^{\eta_j} e^{\phi_{it}}, \quad (8)$$

- $P_{jt}$  : Industry  $j$ 's price index
- $I_{jt}$  : Market size
- $\eta_j$  : Demand Elasticity
- $\phi_{it}$  : Demand shifter

## Appendix: Theoretical Model: Part 1 - Price Setting

- **Marginal costs**

$$C_{it}^M = \frac{C(K_{it}, W_{it}, A_{it}, E_{it})}{e^{\psi_{it}}} \quad (9)$$

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- The **price setting rule** given by profit maximization

$$p_{it} = \frac{\eta_j}{1 + \eta_j} C_{it}^M \quad (11)$$

## Appendix: Theoretical Model: Part 1 - Firm Profits

- Revenues

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$$\pi_{it} = \pi(\omega_{it}) = R_{it} - C_{it}^M q_{it} = -\frac{1}{\eta_j} R_{it} \quad (14)$$



## Appendix: Theoretical Model: Part 2 - Productivity Development

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- Firms choose to develop  $d$  or  $n$  to maximize their discounted future value
- Their **value function** is

$$V(s_{it}) = \pi(\omega_{it}) + \delta E[V(s_{it+1} | \omega_{it}, d_{it}, n_{it})] - E[C_{it}^d \cdot d_{it}] - E[C_{it}^n \cdot n_{it}], \quad (17)$$

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- Developing non-4IR technology

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- We estimate all model parameters in two stages
- 1<sup>st</sup> stage
  - Estimate demand elasticity  $\eta_j$
  - Estimate the revenue function to get all static parameters
    - Deal with simultaneity issue
    - Calculate productivity ( $\omega_{it}$ )
- 2<sup>nd</sup> stage
  - Estimating dynamic parameters (cost parameters, value function and expected value function)

## Appendix: Empirical Model: Stage 1 - Demand Elasticities

- Using profit equation 14

$$\pi_{it} = \pi(\omega_{it}) = -\frac{1}{\eta_j} R_{it} \Leftrightarrow \frac{C_{it}^M q_{it}}{R_{it}} = 1 + \frac{1}{\eta_j} \quad (21)$$

- Regress total variable cost - revenue ration on industry-specific constants
- Back out industry demand elasticity  $\eta_j$  Results

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- Assume Cobb-Douglas type functional form of cost function
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- Inserting (23) into the revenue equation 13 and taking logs gives

$$r_{it} = \lambda_{jt} + (1 + \eta_j)(\beta_0 + \beta_k k_{it} + \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{az} A_{it}^z + \beta_e E_{it} - \omega_{it}) + \epsilon_{it} \quad (24)$$

- $\lambda_{jt}$  includes all factors constant over firms in each industry
- $\epsilon_{it}$  is an i.i.d, zero mean error term

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$$m_{it} = \beta_{jt} + (1 + \eta)\beta_k k_{it} + (1 + \eta) \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it}^z + (1 + \eta)\beta_e E_{it} - (1 + \eta)\omega_{it}$$

## Appendix: Empirical Model: Stage 1 - Static Parameters

- Problem: Productivity  $\omega_{it}$  is unobserved (simultaneity bias)
- Control function approach á la OP 1996, LP 2003 and ACF 2015  
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$$\Leftrightarrow \omega_{it} = \left( \frac{1}{1+\eta_j} \right) \beta_{jt} + \beta_k k_{it} + \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it}^z + \beta_e E_{it} - \left( \frac{1}{1 + \eta_j} \right) m_{it}$$

## Appendix: Empirical Model: Stage 1 - Static Parameters

- Assume functional form of productivity development process

$$\omega_{it} = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \omega_{it-1} + \alpha_2 \omega_{it-1}^2 + \alpha_3 \omega_{it-1}^3 + \alpha_4 d_{it-1} + \alpha_5 n_{it-1} + \alpha_6 d_{it-1} n_{it-1} + \xi_{it} \quad (25)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} r_{it} = & \lambda_0 + \lambda_{jt} + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_k k_{it} + (1 + \eta_j) \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it}^z + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_e E_{it} \\ & - \alpha_1 [\beta_{jt-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_k k_{it-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it-1}^z + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_e E_{it-1} - m_{it-1}] \\ & - \frac{\alpha_2}{1 + \eta_j} [\beta_{jt-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_k k_{it-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it-1}^z + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_e E_{it-1} - m_{it-1}]^2 \\ & - \frac{\alpha_3}{(1 + \eta_j)^2} [\beta_{jt-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_k k_{it-1} + (1 + \eta_j) \sum_{z=1}^Z \beta_{a_z} A_{it-1}^z + (1 + \eta_j) \beta_e E_{it-1} - m_{it-1}]^3 \\ & - (1 + \eta_j) [\alpha_4 d_{it-1} + \alpha_5 n_{it-1} + \alpha_6 d_{it-1} n_{it-1}] - (1 + \eta_j) \xi_{it} + \epsilon_{it} \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

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