

ON THE ELASTICITY OF  
SUBSTITUTION BETWEEN LABOR  
AND ICT AND IP CAPITAL AND  
TRADITIONAL CAPITAL

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**Abstract:** I estimate CES aggregate production functions for the US, the UK, Japan, Germany, and Spain using data from the EU KLEMS database. I distinguish between three types of capital: information and communication technologies (ICT), intellectual property (IP) capital, and traditional capital. I assume that the aggregate output is produced using labor and these three types of capital and allow for differences in the elasticities of substitution between labor, an aggregate of ICT and IP capital, and traditional capital. The estimated elasticities of substitution between ICT and IP capital are strictly below one for all sample countries implying gross complementarity. ICT and IP capital together are gross substitutes for labor while traditional capital is a gross complement. The results for the US imply that the fast pace of technological progress in ICT and IP capital accumulation together are responsible for about 80 percent of the fall in labor income share.

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# 1 Introduction

Macro and growth models commonly use explicit production technologies that combine labor and capital. The appropriateness of these models depends on the assumptions regarding the production technology including the elasticity of substitution between labor and capital and the direction of technological change.

The values of the elasticity of substitution and the direction of technological change are important for explaining, for example, movements in factor income shares (e.g., Caballero and Hammour, 1998, Karabarbounis and Neiman, 2013). A large number of studies that focus on labor share document that it has fallen. The literature offers competing explanations for this. Karabarbounis and Neiman (2013) use cross-country data and find that labor and capital are gross substitutes. They attribute the fall in labor income share to the rapid fall in prices of capital and capital deepening. Glover and Short (2020) use similar data and challenge these estimates showing that they can be upward biased because of omitted variables. Their estimates indicate that labor and capital are gross complements.<sup>1</sup> The estimates of Glover and Short (2020) suggest that alternative explanations might be in order for the fall in labor income share such as, for example, the rise in product-market concentration and import competition (Autor, Dorn, Katz, Patterson, and van Reenen, 2017, Grossman, Helpman, Oberfield, and Sampson, 2017).

Two recent studies provide an in-depth analysis of the fall in labor income share in the US by differentiating types of capital (Eden and Gaggl, 2018, Koh, Santaaulàlia-Llopis, and Zheng, 2020). Eden and Gaggl (2018) attribute the fall in labor income share to the uptake of information and communication technologies (ICT) and the potential high substitutability of these technologies with labor because of, for example, the ease that routine tasks yield to automation (e.g., Acemoglu and Autor, 2011, Autor, Levy, and Murnane, 2003, Autor and Dorn, 2013, Jerbashian, 2019). In turn, Koh et al. (2020) perform an accounting exercise and show that the fall in labor income share can be attributed to the capitalization and the rise of compensation of intellectual property (IP)

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<sup>1</sup>Herrendorf, Herrington, and Valentinyi (2015) also estimate a below one elasticity of substitution between labor and capital. Gechert, Havranek, Irsova, and Kolcunova (2022) corroborate this evidence in their meta analysis of 121 studies.

capital, R&D before 1980 and software after 1980.

I use data from the EU KLEMS database for the US, the UK, Japan, Germany, and Spain and estimate a normalized CES production function for total industrial value added together with the corresponding, normalized first order conditions, for each country. In these estimations, I follow the approach developed and implemented by Grandville (1989), Klump, McAdam, and Willman (2007), and León-Ledesma, McAdam, and Willman (2010). The normalization is motivated by the observation that the elasticity of substitution is defined as a point elasticity and its identification needs benchmark values for the level of production and factor inputs and incomes. It represents the production function in a consistent indexed number form and facilitates the identification of parameters. León-Ledesma et al. (2010) use Monte Carlo simulations to provide comprehensive evidence regarding the superiority of this estimation method for identifying elasticities of substitution together with factor-biased technological change as compared to, for example, the estimation of first-order conditions only and a translog function. The use of this estimation method then can be especially relevant for this study because it attempts to identify these parameters for ICT that has been subject to exceptionally rapid technological progress.

I assume that the CES production technology utilizes labor,  $L$ , an aggregate of ICT and IP capital,  $IK$ , and the remainder of capital. The assumption that ICT and IP capital enter into production jointly is motivated by, for example, that computers and software have a joint use. The remainder of capital includes transport and machinery equipment and residential and non-residential structures, and I call it traditional capital,  $TK$ . The CES technology has the following form:

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} L I K_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( e^{\gamma_{TK} t} T K_t \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
LIK_t &= \left( \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L^t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}}, \\
IK_t &= \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma ICT^t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma IP^t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}},
\end{aligned}$$

and  $\varpi$ -s are share parameters,  $\varepsilon$ -s are elasticity of substitution parameters,  $\gamma$ -s are technological progress parameters, correspondingly.

The first order conditions that follow from a standard profit maximization problem are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} &= \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma TK^t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\
&\quad \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L^t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times \\
&\quad \frac{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma ICT^t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma ICT^t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma IP^t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \tag{2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{r_{IP,t} K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} &= \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma TK^t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\
&\quad \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L^t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times \\
&\quad \frac{\varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma IP^t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma ICT^t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma IP^t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \tag{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} &= \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma TK^t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\
&\quad \frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L^t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L^t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}, \tag{4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{r_{TK,t}TK_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t}TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t}TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}, \quad (5)$$

where  $r_{ICT}$ ,  $r_{IP}$ , and  $r_{TK}$  are rates of return on IP capital, ICT capital, and TK capital, respectively, and  $w$  is the wage rate.

There are data for labor and total capital compensation and total hours of employment in the EU KLEMS database. This allows recovering the rate of return on total capital,  $r$ , and wages. The EU KLEMS database also provides data on the stocks of various types of capital, the corresponding investment prices and depreciation rates. This allows obtaining the stocks of ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital, the prices of investments in these types of capital, and their rates of depreciation. I use data for the prices of investment in ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital and their depreciation rates, together with the rate of return on total capital, to obtain the values of  $r_{ICT}$ ,  $r_{IP}$ , and  $r_{TK}$ . In particular, I assume a non-arbitrage condition that the rate of return on total capital (investment) is equal to the rate of return on a unit of capital of type  $i \in \{ICT, IP, TK\}$ , which was purchased at the price  $p_{i,t-1}$ , rented out for a period and resold:

$$1 + r_t = \frac{r_{i,t} + (1 - \delta_i) p_{i,t}}{p_{i,t-1}}, \quad (6)$$

where  $\delta_i$  is the depreciation rate of capital type  $i$ .<sup>2</sup>

I follow León-Ledesma et al. (2010) and Herrendorf et al. (2015) in the estimations. More specifically, I normalize equations (1) and (2)-(5) using the geometric means of the variables. I take the logarithm of the normalized equations and estimate these transformed equations using the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares method.<sup>3</sup> Table 1 offers the estimation results for sample countries.

The estimated elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital is (sta-

<sup>2</sup>The Technical Appendix shows that this non-arbitrage condition can be derived from the problem of a firm that invests in IP, ICT, and TK. Similar a conditions are used, for example, by Caselli and Feyrer (2007) and Eden and Gaggli (2018). Figure 2 and Table I in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables use equation (6) and offer the shares of compensation of labor, ICT, IP capital, TK, total capital, and capital without IP in sample countries. They corroborate the accounting results of Koh et al. (2020) that the compensation share of capital without IP is virtually flat in the US.

<sup>3</sup>The Technical Appendix describes the normalization of equations (1), (2)-(5). The Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables provides further details about the data.

Table 1: Main Results

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.729*** (0.028)	0.590*** (0.039)	0.744*** (0.039)	0.694*** (0.058)	0.774*** (0.013)
$\varepsilon_2$	1.761*** (0.208)	1.304*** (0.066)	1.293*** (0.055)	1.122*** (0.039)	1.940*** (0.139)
$\varepsilon_3$	0.911*** (0.020)	0.935*** (0.011)	0.901*** (0.017)	0.934*** (0.014)	0.938*** (0.008)
$\gamma_L$	0.015*** (0.001)	0.018*** (0.002)	-0.007*** (0.002)	0.009*** (0.002)	0.012*** (0.001)
$\gamma_{ICT}$	0.413*** (0.111)	0.440*** (0.101)	0.367*** (0.066)	0.790*** (0.170)	0.611*** (0.085)
$\gamma_{IP}$	-0.095*** (0.023)	-0.273*** (0.053)	-0.202*** (0.025)	-0.158*** (0.027)	-0.164*** (0.032)
$\gamma_{TK}$	-0.022*** (0.004)	0.001 (0.001)	0.063*** (0.008)	-0.005 (0.003)	-0.026*** (0.003)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	288.016	242.386	241.07	294.107	278.839
AIC	-562.032	-470.772	-468.141	-574.214	-543.678
BIC	-554.394	-462.525	-460.192	-565.968	-535.730
R2					
Eq. (1)	0.988	0.987	0.181	0.956	0.974
Eq. (2)	0.986	0.937	0.912	0.975	0.857
Eq. (3)	0.765	-0.301	-1.012	-0.235	0.695
Eq. (4)	0.905	0.972	0.955	0.996	0.824
Eq. (5)	-0.038	0.698	-1.165	0.373	0.775

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of normalized and logarithmed equations (1), (2)-(5). Panel *A* offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years are given by the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel *B* offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the system of estimated equations (28), (30)-(33). The Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further details about the data.

tistically significantly) below 1 for all sample countries implying that labor and traditional capital are gross complements. It attains the lowest value in the UK, 0.590, and the highest value in Spain, 0.774. These minimum and maximum values are statistically significantly different. However, the estimates of  $\varepsilon_1$  in descending/acceding order are not

statistically distinguishable. The estimated elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital is significantly above 1 for all sample countries implying that labor and ICT and IP capital are gross substitutes.<sup>4</sup> It attains the lowest value in Germany, 1.122, and the highest value in Spain, 1.940. Similarly to the traditional capital, the minimum and maximum values of the estimate of  $\varepsilon_2$  are statistically significantly different. However, the estimates of  $\varepsilon_2$  in descending/acceding order are not statistically distinguishable. In turn, the estimates of the elasticity of substitution between ICT and IP capital,  $\varepsilon_3$ , are significantly below 1 implying that these are gross complements. The estimates of  $\varepsilon_3$  are statistically indistinguishable across sample countries.

The estimates of the labor augmenting technical change parameter  $\gamma_L$  are positive in all sample countries except Japan, where it is negative but very close to 0.<sup>5</sup> The estimates of the ICT capital augmenting technical change parameter  $\gamma_{ICT}$  are positive in all sample countries and  $\gamma_{ICT}$  is several orders of magnitude larger than  $\gamma_L$ . The high value of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  can reflect the fast technological progress in information and communication technologies. The estimates of IP capital augmenting technical change parameter  $\gamma_{IP}$  are negative in all sample countries and their absolute values are smaller than  $\gamma_{ICT}$ . In turn, the estimates of the traditional capital augmenting technical change parameter  $\gamma_{TK}$  are negative and statistically significant for the US and Spain. They are statistically insignificant and very close to 0 in the UK and Germany and positive and statistically significant in Japan.

The negative values of  $\gamma_{IP}$  and  $\gamma_{TK}$  are not straightforward to justify in a neoclassical setting (Herrendorf et al., 2015, Mućk, 2017, estimate a negative technical change parameter for total capital in a set of advanced countries). Such values suggest that the estimates of  $\gamma_{IP}$  and  $\gamma_{TK}$  can also identify processes not related to technological progress. In this regard, a potential explanation can be that some part of the accumulated IP capital and traditional capital cannot be put to proper use in the near term though the returns on these types of capital continue adhering to non-arbitrage condition (6). Admittedly,

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<sup>4</sup>Eden and Gaggl (2018) have similar a finding for ICT using US data and single equation/first order condition with no biased technological progress parameters. Antràs (2004) shows that this can introduce an upward bias in the estimates of the elasticity of substitution.

<sup>5</sup>Output has fallen in Japan during the sample years which can explain the negative value of  $\gamma_L$ . Figure 4 in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers normalized value added in sample countries together with predicted values.



equations (1) and (2)-(5) do not facilitate such a justification. Jiang and León-Ledesma (2018) incorporate variable markups using data from De Loecker, Eeckhout, and Unger (2020) in the estimation of value added and first order conditions for labor and total capital. They show that this can reverse the negative sign of the estimate of (total) capital augmenting technological change and can affect the estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and total capital. This strategy is currently not straightforward to implement in the multi-country setting of this study given data availability. It can also be subject to caveats. This study utilizes data from a single source that has harmonization/measurement principles across variables, and the use of markup measures from an external source can introduce measurement concerns.<sup>6</sup>

## 1.1 Labor Share in the US

Many papers document a fall in the labor income share in the US. This fall is visible in Figure 1 which offers the variation in labor income share in the EU KLEMS data, as well as the predicted labor income share using equation (4) and parameter estimates from Table 1. The results slightly over-predict the fall in labor share but are very close to the original data. Panel A of Table 2 provides the exact numbers.

Figure 1 and Panel B of Table 2 also offer counterfactual predictions for cases when there is no technological progress and changes in (1) ICT and IP capital, (2) traditional capital, (3) ICT, and (4) IP capital. I fix the corresponding trend index to its sample initial value to have no technological progress and set the value of capital stock equal to its sample initial value to have no changes in it. A rough interpretation of the counterfactual exercise, for example, for ICT is that it corresponds to fixing the number of computers and their productivity.<sup>7</sup>

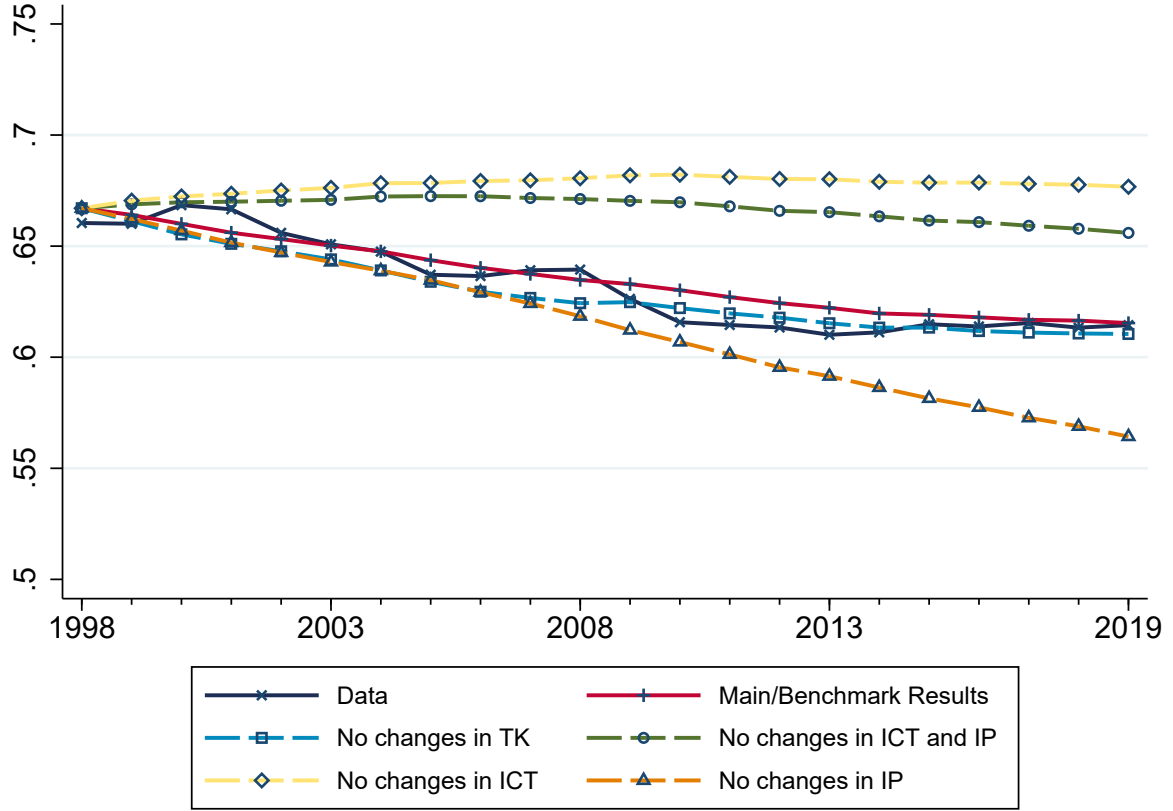
These counterfactual exercises suggest that both ICT and IP capital and traditional capital play a role in the fall in labor income share in the US. About 80 percent of the fall

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<sup>6</sup>The Appendix - Further Results shows that these markups can be eliminated using one of the first order conditions. It also shows that the estimates are broadly consistent with Table 1 when using this transformed system of equations.

<sup>7</sup>These counterfactual exercises do not accommodate potential adjustments in the supply of the free factors of production.

Figure 1: Labor Income Share in the US: Data, Predicted, and Counterfactual



Note: This figure illustrates the labor income share in the US computed using the data from the EU KLEMS database as well as the predicted labor income share using equation (4). The counterfactual predictions are for cases when there is no technological progress and changes in (1) ICT and IP capital, (2) traditional capital, (3) ICT, and (4) IP capital. The corresponding trend index is fixed to its sample initial value to have no technological progress in the type of capital and the value of capital stock is set equal to its sample initial value to have no changes in its level. All prediction results use parameter estimates from Table 1.

in labor income share can be attributed to the substitutability between labor and ICT and IP capital and the rapid technological progress in ICT and accumulation of IP capital according to columns 1 and 2 of Panel B, column 3 of Panel C, and column 4 of Panel D in Table 2. This is consistent with the juxtaposition of the results of Karabarbounis and Neiman (2013), Eden and Gaggl (2018), and Koh et al. (2020).

According to columns 1 and 2 of Panel B of Table 2, the remainder of the fall in the labor share in the US can be attributed to the complementarity between labor and traditional capital and the higher value of labor augmenting technological change than traditional capital augmenting technological change and the speed of its accumulation.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>8</sup>The counterfactual exercise that removes technological progress and accumulation of TK over-predicts the fall in labor share according to column 1 of Panel B of Table 2.

This is in-line with the evidence presented by Lawrence (2015) that the effective capital-labor ratios have fallen in industries that account for the largest portion of the fall in labor share.

Table 2: Labor Income Share in the US in 1998 and 2019: Data, Predicted, and Counterfactual

<i>A. Data and Main/Benchmark Prediction</i>				
Year	(1) Data	(2) Main/Benchmark		
1998	0.660	0.667		
2019	0.614	0.615		

<i>B. Counterfactual: No Technological Progress and Capital Accumulation</i>				
Year	(1) TK	(2) ICT and IP	(3) ICT	(4) IP
2019	0.610	0.656	0.677	0.564
% of Predicted $\Delta_{2019-1998}$	1.096	0.212	-0.192	1.981

<i>C. Counterfactual: No Technological Progress</i>				
Year	(1) TK	(2) ICT and IP	(3) ICT	(4) IP
2019	0.645	0.613	0.664	0.519
% of Predicted $\Delta_{2019-1998}$	0.423	1.038	0.058	2.846

<i>D. Counterfactual: No Capital Accumulation</i>				
Year	(1) TK	(2) ICT and IP	(3) ICT	(4) IP
2019	0.579	0.651	0.626	0.643
% of Predicted $\Delta_{2019-1998}$	1.692	0.308	0.788	0.462

Note: This table offers sample initial and end values of labor income share in the US computed using the EU KLEMS data. It also offers the predicted labor income share using equation (4) in Panel A. The counterfactual predictions are for (1) ICT and IP capital, (2) traditional capital, (3) ICT, and (4) IP capital. The counterfactual exercise in Panel B removes technological progress and changes in the level of corresponding capital. The counterfactual exercise in Panel C removes technological progress, and Panel D removes changes in the level of capital types. The trend index is fixed to its sample initial value to have no technological progress and the value of capital stock is set equal to its sample initial value to have no changes in it. The initial value in panels B-D is the same as the initial value in column 2 of Panel A because of this. The second row in panels B-D offers the change in labor income share as compared to the change predicted in column 2 of Panel A. All prediction results use parameter estimates from Table 1.

## 2 Concluding Remarks

This study explores the elasticities of substitution between labor, information and communication technologies (ICT) and intellectual property (IP) capital, and traditional

capital. It uses data from the EU KLEMS database and the estimation methodology developed and applied by Grandville (1989), Klump et al. (2007) and León-Ledesma et al. (2010). The estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital are coherently above 1 in all sample countries implying that labor and ICT and IP capital are gross substitutes. The estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital are below 1 implying that labor and traditional capital are gross complements. Similarly, the estimates of the elasticity of substitution between ICT and IP capital are below 1.

These results help to explain the fall in the share of labor income, for example, in the US. In particular, most of the fall in labor share in the US can be attributed to the fast technological progress in ICT and extensive IP capital accumulation according to the results in Table 2.

Can the estimates of the elasticities of substitution in Table 1 imply that the elasticity of substitution between labor and total capital is not stable in the light of increased investments in ICT and IP capital (see, e.g., Koh et al., 2020, and Figure 5 in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables)? I present estimates of elasticities of substitution between labor, total capital, ICT and IP capital, and traditional capital from various alternative CES aggregators for the production function in the Appendix - Further Results. On one hand, the estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and total capital in sample countries do not give support to such an inference notwithstanding large differences in the shares of ICT and IP capital stocks and investments between sample countries. On the other hand, the estimates from the various alternative CES aggregators suggest that the estimates presented in Table 1 are empirically plausible.

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## A Appendix - Further Results

This section presents further results. First, I show how it is possible to alleviate the effects of potential markups. It is straightforward to show that the standard profit maximization of a monopolistic price-setting firm implies the following first order conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_{ICT,t}K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} = & \mu_t \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\ & \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times \\ & \frac{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_{IP,t}K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} = & \mu_t \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\ & \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times \\ & \frac{\varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = & \mu_t \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\ & \frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{r_{TK,t}TK_t}{Y_t} = \mu_t \frac{\varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}, \quad (10)$$



where

$$\mu_t = 1 + \frac{Y_t}{p_t} \frac{\partial p_t}{\partial Y_t}, \quad (11)$$

is the markup and  $p$  is the price of  $Y$ .

The EU KLEMS database does not have data for  $\mu_t$ . One way to solve this issue is to follow Jiang and León-Ledesma (2018) and incorporate data for  $\mu_t$  from external sources. In particular, Jiang and León-Ledesma (2018) use data for  $\mu_t$  and the labor income share and recover capital income share as a residual using the following accounting identity:  $1 = \frac{1}{\mu_t} \frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} + \frac{1}{\mu_t} \frac{r_t K_t}{Y_t}$ , where  $K_t$  is total capital. An alternative is to eliminate the markups using one of the first order conditions. The markups are the same across the first order conditions and can be eliminated by taking the ratios of these conditions. This method entails trade-offs. It allows maintaining the coherency of the data source and the implied harmonization across variables and countries. In this regard, it allows avoiding measurement concerns. However, it also alters the system of estimated equations by reducing their number and introducing changes in the variables.

I derive returns on various types of capital using data on capital compensation. I use the first order condition for labor (9) to eliminate the markups because of this. More specifically, I normalize equations (7)-(10) using the sample geometric means, take their logarithms, and subtract the transformed equation (9) from equations (7), (8), and (10). I then estimate (1) together with 3 transformed first order conditions for ICT, IP, and TK as given by equations (28), (35), (36), and (37) in the Technical Appendix.<sup>9</sup> Table 3 offers the estimation results.

The estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional,  $\varepsilon_1$ , is below 1 in all sample countries. The estimate elasticity of substitution between ICT and IP capital,  $\varepsilon_2$ , is also below 1 in all countries. In turn, the estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital,  $\varepsilon_2$ , is above 1 in all countries. The estimates of  $\gamma_L$  and  $\gamma_{ICT}$  are consistently above 0. However, the estimates of  $\gamma_{IP}$  are below 0 in all countries. The estimates of  $\gamma_{TK}$  is below 0 in the US. It is statistically

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<sup>9</sup>The first order condition for labor (9) is left free and can be used to derive the markups.

almost indistinguishable from zero in the UK, Germany, and Spain. It is above 0 in Japan.

Table 3: Results with Treatment of Potential Markups

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.835*** (0.038)	0.435*** (0.065)	0.885*** (0.030)	0.771*** (0.054)	0.955*** (0.013)
$\varepsilon_2$	1.114*** (0.027)	2.112*** (0.549)	1.200*** (0.074)	1.363*** (0.172)	1.080*** (0.024)
$\varepsilon_3$	0.981*** (0.004)	0.873*** (0.024)	0.962*** (0.011)	0.908*** (0.021)	0.985*** (0.004)
$\gamma_L$	0.129*** (0.025)	0.014*** (0.002)	0.037*** (0.012)	0.011*** (0.001)	-0.044*** (0.014)
$\gamma_{ICT}$	1.833*** (0.321)	0.226*** (0.055)	0.809*** (0.231)	0.559*** (0.137)	3.509*** (0.890)
$\gamma_{IP}$	-1.124*** (0.181)	-0.140*** (0.033)	-0.800*** (0.222)	-0.141*** (0.028)	-0.261*** (0.066)
$\gamma_{TK}$	-0.103*** (0.029)	-0.002 (0.001)	0.053*** (0.013)	-0.006* (0.004)	0.006 (0.017)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	238.294	167.820	173.490	198.636	231.592
AIC	-462.588	-321.639	-332.979	-383.273	-449.184
BIC	-454.950	-313.393	-325.031	-375.026	-441.236
R2					
Eq. (28)	0.994	0.988	0.432	0.969	0.987
Eq. (35)	0.988	0.951	0.920	0.975	0.907
Eq. (36)	0.875	0.843	-3.987	-0.056	0.786
Eq. (37)	0.850	0.948	-0.027	0.836	0.993

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of normalized and logarithmed equations (28), (35), (36) and (37). Panel *A* offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years correspond to the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel *B* offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the exact system of estimated equations, and Table III in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further description of the data.

The estimates of the  $\varepsilon_1$  are higher in Table 3 as compared to the estimates in Table 1 in all countries except the UK. This is consistent with the findings of Jiang and León-

Ledesma (2018) that the estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and (total) capital increase when markups are taken into account. In turn, the estimates of the  $\varepsilon_2$  are lower in Table 3 as compared to the estimates in Table 1 in all countries except the UK and Germany. Nevertheless, the estimate of the  $\gamma_{ICT}$  is much higher in these countries.

When the magnitudes of these parameters are somewhat different from those presented in Table 1, the inference is the same: labor and traditional capital are gross complements and labor and ICT and IP capital are gross substitutes. In turn, the negative estimates of  $\gamma_{TK}$  and, especially,  $\gamma_{IP}$  in Table 3 suggest that the incorporation and treatment of markups is not sufficient for handling this result. They warrant further investigation.

## A.A One Type of Capital

I do not differentiate between capital types and assume that output is produced using a CES technology that combines labor and capital:

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_K^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_K t} K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}, \quad (12)$$

where

$$K = K_{ICT} + K_{IP} + TK.$$

I estimate parameters  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\gamma_L$ , and  $\gamma_K$  for all sample countries using normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  from equation (12) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order conditions as given by equations (39), (40) and (41) in the Technical Appendix. Table 4 reports the results.

In all sample countries, the estimated elasticity of substitution between labor and capital,  $\varepsilon_1$ , is statistically significantly below 1 which rules out the Cobb-Douglas production function assumption. However, the estimate of  $\varepsilon_1$  varies across countries. It is the lowest in the UK and the highest in Germany attaining values 0.689 and 0.978, correspondingly. All these estimates are statistically different from each other with the exception of the

Table 4: One Type of Capital

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.924*** (0.012)	0.689*** (0.004)	0.885*** (0.010)	0.978*** (0.009)	0.817*** (0.008)
$\gamma_L$	0.063*** (0.010)	0.005*** (0.001)	-0.026*** (0.005)	0.053*** (0.016)	0.023*** (0.001)
$\gamma_K$	-0.084*** (0.017)	0.011*** (0.002)	0.059*** (0.010)	-0.081** (0.034)	-0.037*** (0.002)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	239.958	244.377	208.902	256.778	254.854
AIC	-473.917	-482.753	-411.805	-507.557	-503.708
BIC	-470.643	-479.219	-408.398	-504.022	-500.302
R2					
Eq. (39)	0.990	0.970	0.119	0.983	0.991
Eq. (40)	0.954	0.989	0.853	0.911	0.929
Eq. (41)	0.858	0.290	0.883	0.666	0.881

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of normalized and logarithmed equations (39), (40) and (41). Panel *A* offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years correspond to the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel *B* offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the exact system of estimated equations, and Table III in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further description of the data.

estimates for Japan and the US.

The estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and total capital in Table 4 are significantly higher than the estimates of the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital in Table 1 in all sample countries except Spain. These estimates are not statistically distinguishable in Spain. The reason for the higher values in Table 4 can be that  $K$  includes  $K_{ICT}$  and  $K_{IP}$  pair that together are substitutes for  $L$  according to the results in Table 1. Nevertheless, the country-level variation in the estimates of  $\varepsilon_1$  in Table 4, as well as the ratio of estimates for total capital and traditional capital from Table 4 and Table 1, has almost no correlation with the share of ICT and IP capital in

total capital in sample countries. This share can be computed using data from Table III. This result holds because of very low share of ICT and IP capital in total capital in Germany but a relatively high estimated  $\varepsilon_1$  in Table 4.<sup>10</sup>

Is it possible to gauge whether this estimation provides a better explanation of the data than the one presented in Table 1 in the main text? The production function in equation (1) allows the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital to be different from the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital. This is motivated by the results of a growing literature that studies the effects of automation on wages and employment and shows that ICT and IP capital have competed away earnings and employment (e.g., Autor et al., 2003, Autor and Dorn, 2013, Acemoglu and Autor, 2011).<sup>11</sup> Eden and Gaggl (2018) also estimate a production function that allows the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital to be different from the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT capital. They use US data from the BEA and restrict the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital to be equal to 1 which seems to be a more accurate representation of their data. They also estimate the resulting first order conditions without technological change parameters. The estimation results in Table 1 use EU KLEMS data and show that there are significant differences between these elasticities. The elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital is significantly below 1 in sample countries, whereas the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital is significantly above 1.

A way to proceed further is to compare the measures of fit, albeit discerning between models solely on these is problematic since they are purely statistical measures. The estimation results presented in Table 4 under perform the estimation results presented

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<sup>10</sup>Herrendorf et al. (2015) use data from the US for 1947-2010 period and estimate a below 1 elasticity of substitution between labor and capital. Their data and estimation algorithm produces a below 1 elasticity of substitution in 1947-1980 period, before the “computer era”, and above 1 in 1981-2010. Sample split, however, matters for the value of the latter estimate. For example, an above 1 elasticity of substitution is obtained for 1985-2010 but not for initial years starting on 1980 and between 1981 and 1985.

<sup>11</sup>This literature particularly focuses on the high substitutability between occupations performing routine tasks and ICT and IP capital. I abstract from such considerations because of data limitations in the EU KLEMS database and the implied necessity for further nests in the production function. For the latter reason, I also abstract from differences in substitutability between labor and capital across skill-levels as considered, for example, by Krusell, Ohanian, Ríos-Rull, and Violante (2000).

in Table 1 for the US, Japan, Germany and Spain in terms of Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) and Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC). However, they have higher Log Likelihood, AIC and BIC measures for the UK and tend to have higher values of R-squared in individual equations in all sample countries.

These estimations are not easily and directly comparable in these statistical measures given the differences in the equations and their number. Arguably, a more comparable approach assumes that the production function has the following form:

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} T K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}. \quad (13)$$

When equation (1) allows for differences in substitutability between labor, ICT and IP capital, and traditional capital, the substitutability between labor and different types of capital is the same in equation (13). This elasticity of substitution is also equal to the elasticity of substitution between ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital. In turn, equation (12) imposes a restriction that ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital are perfect substitutes.

I estimate parameters  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\gamma_L$ ,  $\gamma_{ICT}$ ,  $\gamma_{IP}$ , and  $\gamma_{TK}$  for all sample countries using normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  from equation (13) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order conditions. The estimated system is given by equations (43), (44), (45), (46) and (47) in the Technical Appendix. Table 5 reports the results.

The estimated elasticity of substitution between labor, ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital,  $\varepsilon_1$ , is significantly below 1 in all sample countries. It is higher than the estimate of the elasticity between labor and traditional capital in Table 4 in all countries except Spain. The higher value of this elasticity can stem from fixing the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital to be equal to the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital in equation (13). The signs of directed technological change parameters coincide in Table 1 and Table 5 though there are a few differences in the magnitudes and statistical significance.

Table 5: Single Elasticity of Substitution

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.845*** (0.017)	0.662*** (0.014)	0.907*** (0.013)	0.932*** (0.015)	0.603*** (0.006)
$\gamma_L$	0.037*** (0.004)	0.005*** (0.001)	-0.038*** (0.008)	0.026*** (0.006)	0.013*** (0.001)
$\gamma_{ICT}$	0.109*** (0.026)	0.074*** (0.021)	0.418*** (0.071)	0.685*** (0.166)	0.013** (0.006)
$\gamma_{IP}$	-0.143*** (0.022)	-0.011*** (0.003)	-0.211*** (0.040)	-0.276*** (0.066)	-0.094*** (0.004)
$\gamma_{TK}$	-0.040*** (0.008)	0.001 (0.002)	0.151*** (0.020)	-0.026* (0.014)	-0.017*** (0.002)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	280.849	250.834	225.389	284.665	261.105
AIC	-551.698	-491.669	-440.777	-559.33	-512.209
BIC	-546.243	-485.779	-435.100	-553.44	-506.532
R2					
Eq. (43)	0.987	0.986	-1.022	0.943	0.981
Eq. (44)	0.991	0.893	0.792	0.905	0.796
Eq. (45)	-0.718	0.483	-1.923	0.617	0.064
Eq. (46)	0.945	0.990	0.872	0.905	0.845
Eq. (47)	0.153	0.708	-0.647	0.376	0.613

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of equations (43)-(47). Panel *A* offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years correspond to the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel *B* offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the exact system of estimated equations, and Table III in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further description of the data.

The estimation results presented in Table 5 under perform the estimation results presented in Table 1 on almost all measures of fit with the exception of R-squared of several equations and Log Likelihood, AIC, and BIC measures for the UK. Most notably, the R-squared of the first order conditions for IP capital is lower for the UK and Germany in Table 1 as compared to the R-squared in Table 5. The R-squared of the first order condition for labor is lower for the US and the UK in Table 1 as compared to the R-

squared in Table 5. The R-squared of the first order condition for traditional capital is also lower for the US, the UK, and Japan in Table 1 than the R-squared in Table 5.

## A.B Two Alternative Nests

I follow the literature on automation and labor demand and write the CES nests in production function in equation (1) so that the production function permits for a difference in the elasticities of substitution between labor and traditional capital and labor and ICT and IP capital. By construction, the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital and the elasticity of substitution between ICT and IP capital and traditional capital are the same in equation (1) and traditional capital is either a complement or a substitute for the combination of labor and ICT and IP capital. A potential rationale for this is that the aggregate of ICT and IP capital, being a substitute for labor, is used in similar tasks as labor. Nevertheless, various CES nests are possible, and I explore two alternatives in this section.

First, I assume that the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital is equal to the elasticity of substitution between traditional capital and ICT and IP capital. Moreover, the aggregate of ICT and IP capital is either a complement or a substitute for the combination of labor and traditional capital. I further assume that the production function is given by

$$Y_t = \left( \varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}, \quad (14)$$

where

$$LTK_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma TK t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}},$$

$$IK_t = \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma ICT t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma IP t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}}.$$

I estimate the parameters for all sample countries using normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  from equation (14) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order



conditions as given by equations (53)-(57) in the Technical Appendix. Table 6 reports the results.

Table 6: Separate Nests for Labor and Traditional Capital and for ICT and IP Capital

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.338*** (0.083)	0.417*** (0.082)	1.555*** (0.105)	0.808*** (0.095)	0.293** (0.120)
$\varepsilon_2$	1.381*** (0.065)	0.727*** (0.026)	2.602*** (0.539)	1.001*** (0.001)	1.031*** (0.003)
$\varepsilon_3$	0.833*** (0.020)	0.779*** (0.040)	0.873*** (0.022)	0.978*** (0.009)	0.880*** (0.030)
$\gamma_L$	0.000 (0.002)	0.006*** (0.001)	0.012*** (0.001)	-0.894** (0.412)	-0.089*** (0.010)
$\gamma_{ICT}$	0.133*** (0.036)	0.141*** (0.040)	0.298*** (0.056)	2.408** (0.936)	0.289*** (0.074)
$\gamma_{IP}$	-0.073*** (0.012)	-0.055*** (0.010)	-0.131*** (0.019)	-0.702** (0.273)	-0.170*** (0.034)
$\gamma_{TK}$	0.028*** (0.004)	0.004* (0.003)	-0.006* (0.003)	2.259** (1.028)	0.185*** (0.019)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	326.709	272.057	277.021	347.688	350.259
AIC	-639.418	-530.113	-540.042	-681.376	-686.519
BIC	-631.781	-521.867	-532.094	-673.130	-678.570
R2					
Eq. (53)	0.996	0.986	0.746	0.983	0.989
Eq. (54)	0.989	0.931	0.908	0.953	0.870
Eq. (55)	0.383	0.587	-1.044	0.777	0.842
Eq. (56)	0.964	0.989	0.979	0.927	0.934
Eq. (57)	0.493	0.718	0.486	0.331	0.833

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of equations (53)-(57). Panel A offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years correspond to the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel B offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the exact system of estimated equations, and Table III in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further description of the data.

The estimation of normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  from equation (14) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order conditions (53)-(57) does not seem to

yield coherent results across sample countries. The estimates of parameters vary significantly across countries in this case. The estimate of  $\varepsilon_1$ , the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital, is below 1 in the US, the UK, Germany, and Spain. It is above 1 in Japan. The estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital,  $\varepsilon_2$ , is above 1 in the US, Japan, and Spain. It seems though unreasonably high in Japan. Moreover, it is below 1 in the UK and very close to 1 and statistically indistinguishable from it in Germany. The estimates of  $\varepsilon_3$  display much firmer coherency across countries. They are below 1 in all countries. The estimates of labor augmenting technical change,  $\gamma_L$ , seem to be unreasonably low in all countries. The estimate of this parameter is not distinguishable from 0 in the US. It is below 0 in Germany and Spain. The estimates of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  and  $\gamma_{TK}$  also vary significantly. The estimates of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  and  $\gamma_{TK}$  attain very large values in Germany, and the estimate of  $\gamma_{TK}$  attains a large positive value in Spain. These estimated values seem to be hard to justify. Nevertheless, the estimation of normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  in equation (14) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order conditions attains higher values of statistical measures of fit than the estimation of  $Y_t$  in equation (1) according to Table 1 and Table 6.

Another specification of the production function nests first the different types of capital and then nests these with labor. It is given by

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}, \quad (15)$$

where

$$IKTK_t = \left[ \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}},$$

$$IK_t = \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}}.$$

This production function can be thought to be an extension of the production function in equation (12). It permits imperfect substitutability between traditional capital and ICT and IP capital.

I estimate the parameters for all sample countries using normalized and logarithmed  $Y_t$  from equation (15) and the corresponding normalized and logarithmed first order conditions as given by equations (63)-(67) in the Technical Appendix. Table 7 reports the results.

Table 7: One Nest for Capital Types

<i>A. Estimates</i>					
Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\varepsilon_1$	0.960*** (0.006)	0.710*** (0.053)	0.933*** (0.035)	1.185*** (0.040)	0.583*** (0.046)
$\varepsilon_2$	1.914*** (0.243)	1.558*** (0.359)	1.019*** (0.010)	1.183*** (0.040)	1.704*** (0.220)
$\varepsilon_3$	0.972*** (0.004)	0.902*** (0.018)	0.993*** (0.004)	0.923*** (0.009)	0.966*** (0.007)
$\gamma_L$	0.035*** (0.002)	0.007*** (0.001)	-0.056* (0.034)	0.010*** (0.001)	0.013*** (0.001)
$\gamma_{ICT}$	1.220*** (0.115)	0.334*** (0.060)	5.434** (2.687)	0.697*** (0.085)	1.109*** (0.263)
$\gamma_{IP}$	-0.578*** (0.047)	-0.125*** (0.019)	-0.082* (0.048)	-0.176*** (0.023)	-0.443*** (0.096)
$\gamma_{TK}$	0.004*** (0.002)	0.002 (0.001)	-0.392* (0.227)	-0.004 (0.003)	-0.015*** (0.001)
Sample Years	1998–2019	1996–2019	1996–2018	1996–2019	1996–2018
Obs. (per eq.)	22	24	23	24	23
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>					
Log Likelihood	279.795	254.987	243.876	288.799	253.022
AIC	-545.59	-495.973	-473.752	-563.599	-492.044
BIC	-537.953	-487.727	-465.804	-555.352	-484.096
R2					
Eq. (63)	0.997	0.985	0.728	0.957	0.945
Eq. (64)	0.989	0.945	0.878	0.972	0.856
Eq. (65)	0.493	-0.324	-3.817	0.165	0.828
Eq. (66)	0.815	0.982	0.883	0.918	0.818
Eq. (67)	0.527	0.869	0.492	0.839	0.938

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of equations (63)-(67). Panel *A* offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years correspond to the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel *B* offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the exact system of estimated equations, and Table III in the Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables offers further description of the data.

The elasticity of substitution between labor and capital  $\varepsilon_1$  is strictly below 1 in all countries except Germany. Similarly to the results reported in Table 4, it is higher than the estimates in Table 1 in all countries except Spain. The estimate of the elasticity of substitution between traditional capital and ICT and IP capital is significantly above 1 in all countries but Japan where it is statistically indistinguishable from 1. Importantly, these estimates can effectively rule out perfect substitutability between traditional capital and ICT and IP capital as assumed in the production function in equation (12). The estimates of  $\varepsilon_3$  are below 1 in all countries. The estimates of labor augmenting technical change,  $\gamma_L$ , seem to fall in a reasonable ballpark in all countries. Nevertheless, the estimates  $\gamma_{ICT}$ ,  $\gamma_{IP}$ , and  $\gamma_{TK}$  seem to be either rather too high or too low in a few countries. For example, the estimate of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  is 5.434 in Japan. Such an estimate implies extremely strong technological progress in ICT. In turn, the estimate of  $\gamma_{IP}$  is -0.578 in the US, and the estimate of  $\gamma_{TK}$  is -0.392 in Japan. It can be hard to justify such estimates.

The results from comparison of the measures of statistical fit are more mixed in this case as compared to the estimations presented in Table 6. Log Likelihood, AIC, and BIC measures are higher in all countries except the UK in estimations presented in Table 1 as compared to Table 7. The differences in the values of R-squared are also mixed. For example, the R-squared tends to be somewhat lower for value added in Table 1 than in Table 7. It tends to be somewhat higher for the compensation of labor.

All in all, the results of this exploration suggest that equations (1) and (2)-(5) provide economically and statistically sound explanation of the data.

## A.C Results for Additional Countries

The EU KLEMS database has the necessary data for estimation of the parameters in equations (1) and (2)-(5) also for Austria, Belgium, Czechia, Finland, France, Italy, the Netherlands, and Sweden. I present the results of estimation of normalized and logarithmed equations in Table 8 for these countries.

The estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and traditional capital,

$\varepsilon_1$ , is statistically significantly below 1 in all countries. The estimate of the elasticity of substitution between labor and ICT and IP capital,  $\varepsilon_2$ , is statistically significantly above 1 in all countries. In turn, the estimate of the elasticity of substitution between ICT and IP capital,  $\varepsilon_3$ , is statistically significantly below 1 in all countries. Taken together, these results support the inference in the main text that the substitutability between labor and ICT and IP capital is larger than the substitutability between labor and traditional capital. Moreover, labor and ICT and IP capital are gross substitutes and labor and traditional capital are gross complements  $\hat{\varepsilon}_2 > 1 > \hat{\varepsilon}_1$ .

The estimates of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  and  $\gamma_{IP}$  display a larger variability across countries. Most notably, the estimates of  $\gamma_{ICT}$  are very large in Finland and France and the estimates of  $\gamma_{IP}$  are negative and large in absolute value in Czechia and Finland.

The initial values of  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\varepsilon_2$ , and  $\varepsilon_3$  are set to 0.5, 1.5, and 0.5, correspondingly, in the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation algorithm in all estimations. The estimation algorithm fails to properly identify the values of parameters for France when the initial values of  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\varepsilon_2$ , and  $\varepsilon_3$  are set to 0.9, 1.1, and 0.9 instead of 0.5, 1.5, and 0.5. In general, there is a tendency that the estimates of parameters depend on the specified set of initial values because of high non-linearity of the estimated system of equations. The initial values for  $\varepsilon_1 = 0.5$  and  $\varepsilon_2 = 1.5$  are selected based on the evidence on complementary between total capital and labor and (a higher) substitutability between ICT and labor (e.g., Autor et al., 2003, Autor and Dorn, 2013, Gechert et al., 2022, Glover and Short, 2020). The motivation for the initial value of  $\varepsilon_3 = 0.5$  is that ICT and IP capital, that includes software, databases, and patents, tend to be complementary in their use.

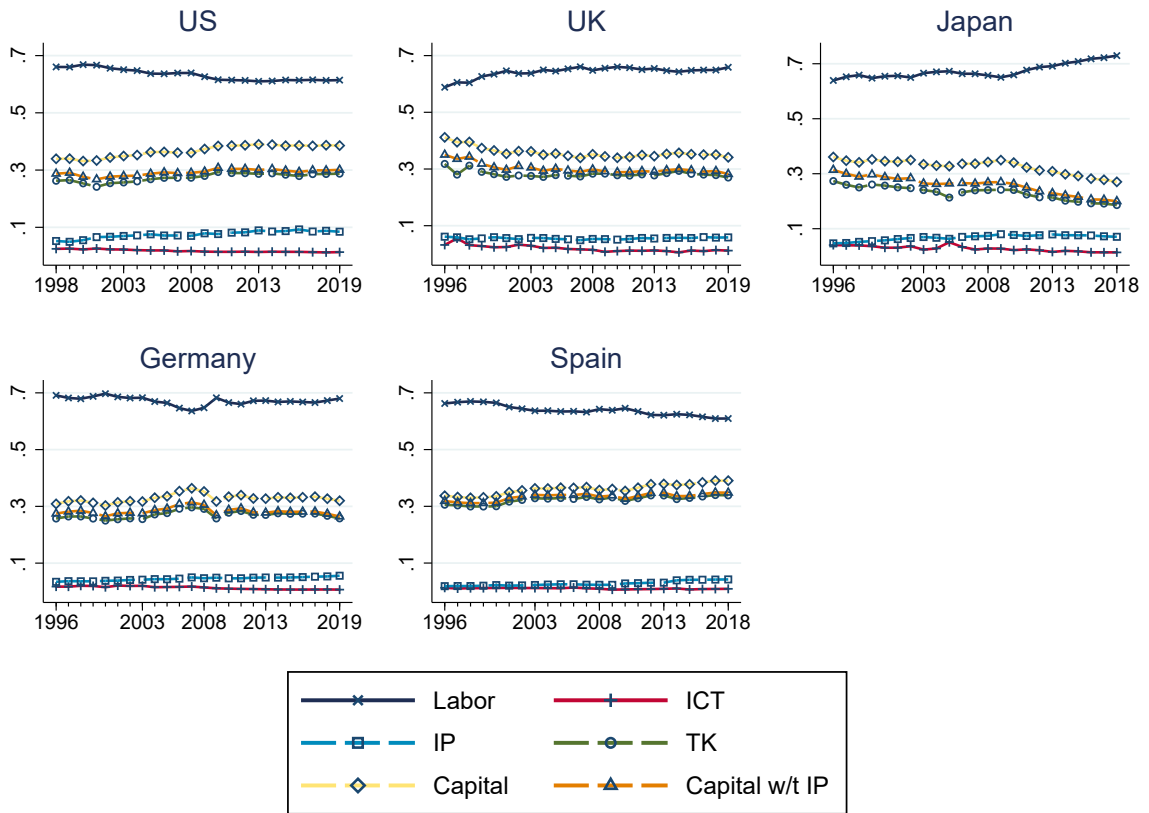
Table 8: Results for Additional Countries

<i>A. Estimates</i>										
Parameter	(1) Austria	(2) Belgium	(3) Czechia	(4) Finland	(5) France	(6) Italy	(7) Netherlands	(8) Portugal	(9) Sweden	
$\varepsilon_1$	0.360*** (0.032)	0.435*** (0.053)	0.801*** (0.014)	0.631*** (0.029)	0.948*** (0.015)	0.616*** (0.042)	0.833*** (0.033)	0.657*** (0.035)	0.598*** (0.040)	
$\varepsilon_2$	1.389*** (0.045)	1.598*** (0.116)	1.252*** (0.022)	1.235*** (0.018)	1.047*** (0.015)	1.030*** (0.004)	1.113*** (0.025)	1.376*** (0.071)	1.332*** (0.040)	
$\varepsilon_3$	0.940*** (0.007)	0.953*** (0.007)	0.973*** (0.005)	0.992*** (0.002)	0.991*** (0.002)	0.990*** (0.001)	0.976*** (0.004)	0.941*** (0.017)	0.933*** (0.006)	
$\gamma_L$	0.008*** (0.001)	0.005*** (0.001)	0.005 (0.003)	0.003** (0.002)	-0.021** (0.009)	-0.011*** (0.003)	-0.005 (0.004)	0.023*** (0.002)	0.013*** (0.002)	
$\gamma_{ICT}$	0.594*** (0.062)	0.575*** (0.084)	0.943*** (0.171)	2.927*** (0.545)	1.695*** (0.496)	1.224*** (0.230)	1.271*** (0.201)	0.753*** (0.205)	0.460*** (0.064)	
$\gamma_{IP}$	-0.191*** (0.023)	-0.214*** (0.040)	-0.482*** (0.085)	-0.430*** (0.088)	-0.053** (0.022)	-0.032 (0.065)	-0.139*** (0.020)	-0.423*** (0.147)	-0.107*** (0.015)	
$\gamma_{TK}$	-0.004*** (0.001)	-0.002** (0.001)	0.024*** (0.006)	0.003 (0.002)	0.053*** (0.015)	-0.009*** (0.001)	0.008** (0.004)	-0.040*** (0.006)	-0.002 (0.003)	
Sample Years	1996–2019	1997–2019	1996–2019	1996–2019	1996–2019	1996–2019	1996–2019	2001–2018	1996–2017	
Obs. (per eq.)	24	23	24	24	24	24	24	18	22	
<i>B. Measures of Fit</i>										
Log Likelihood	321.585	321.073	277.204	286.167	367.770	371.948	343.158	228.320	250.167	
AIC	-629.169	-628.146	-540.409	-558.335	-721.540	-729.897	-672.316	-442.640	-486.334	
BIC	-620.923	-620.197	-532.162	-550.088	-713.293	-721.650	-664.070	-436.407	-478.697	
R2										
Eq. (1)	0.983	0.991	0.968	0.914	0.981	0.858	0.988	0.488	0.977	
Eq. (2)	0.880	0.944	0.957	0.947	0.893	0.858	0.992	0.967	0.922	
Eq. (3)	0.733	0.563	0.973	0.928	0.942	0.724	0.614	0.068	0.855	
Eq. (4)	0.989	0.909	0.992	0.981	0.991	0.986	0.974	0.711	0.984	
Eq. (5)	0.673	0.780	0.762	0.672	0.835	0.942	0.117	0.878	0.804	

Note: This table offers the results from the estimation of normalized and logarithmed equations (1), (2)-(5). Panel A offers the estimates of the parameters for sample countries, sample years, and the corresponding number of observations in each equation. Sample years are given by the availability of data in the EU KLEMS database. Panel B offers various measures of fit including Log Likelihood, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), and R-squared of each equation. Negative R-squared indicates a negative correlation between the predicted variable (right-hand side) and the original data (left-hand side) at least for some sample years. All regressions use the feasible generalized non-linear least-squares estimation method. Standard errors are in parentheses and are robust to arbitrary heteroscedasticity and serial correlation. \*\*\* indicates significance at the 1% level, \*\* at the 5% level, and \* at the 10% level. The Technical Appendix offers the explicit system of estimated equations (28), (30)-(33).

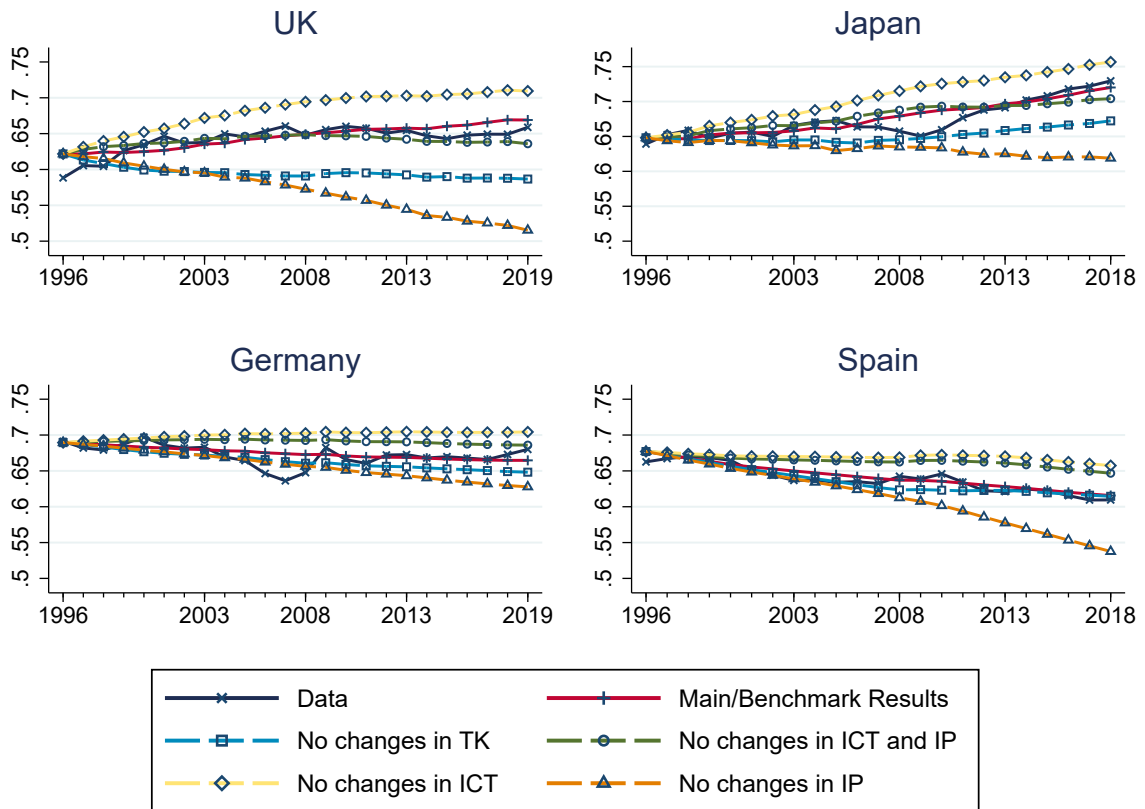
## B Data Appendix: Figures and Descriptive Tables

Figure 2: The Shares of Compensation of Labor, ICT, IP Capital, and Traditional Capital



Note: This figure illustrates the shares of compensation of labor, ICT, IP capital, traditional capital, total capital, and capital without IP capital out of value added in sample countries. Table I offers sample initial and end values.

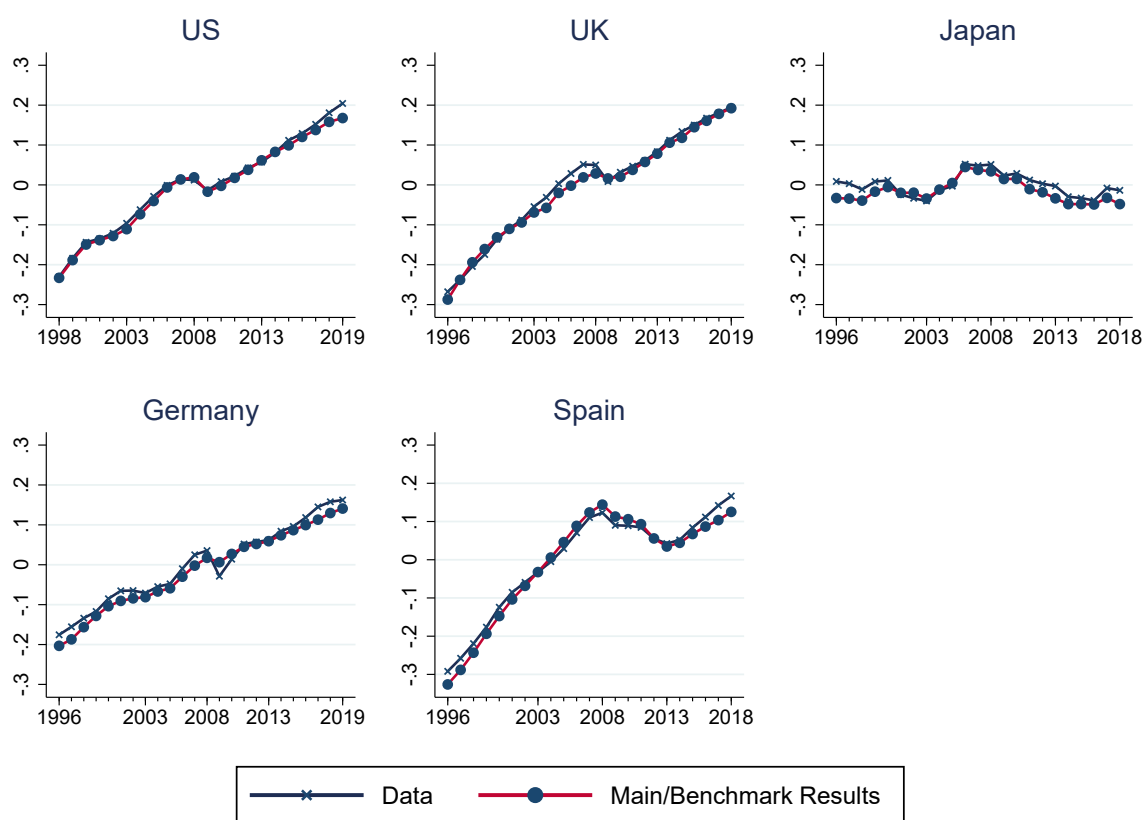
Figure 3: Labor Income Share: Data, Predicted, and Counterfactual



Note: This figure illustrates the labor income share in the UK, Japan, Germany and Spain computed using the data from the EU KLEMS database as well as the predicted labor income share using equation (4). The counterfactual predictions are for cases when there is no technological progress and changes in (1) ICT and IP capital, (2) traditional capital, (3) ICT, and (4) IP capital. The corresponding trend index is fixed to its sample initial value to have no technological progress in type of capital and the value of capital stock is set equal to its sample initial value to have no changes in its level. All prediction results use parameter estimates from Table 1.

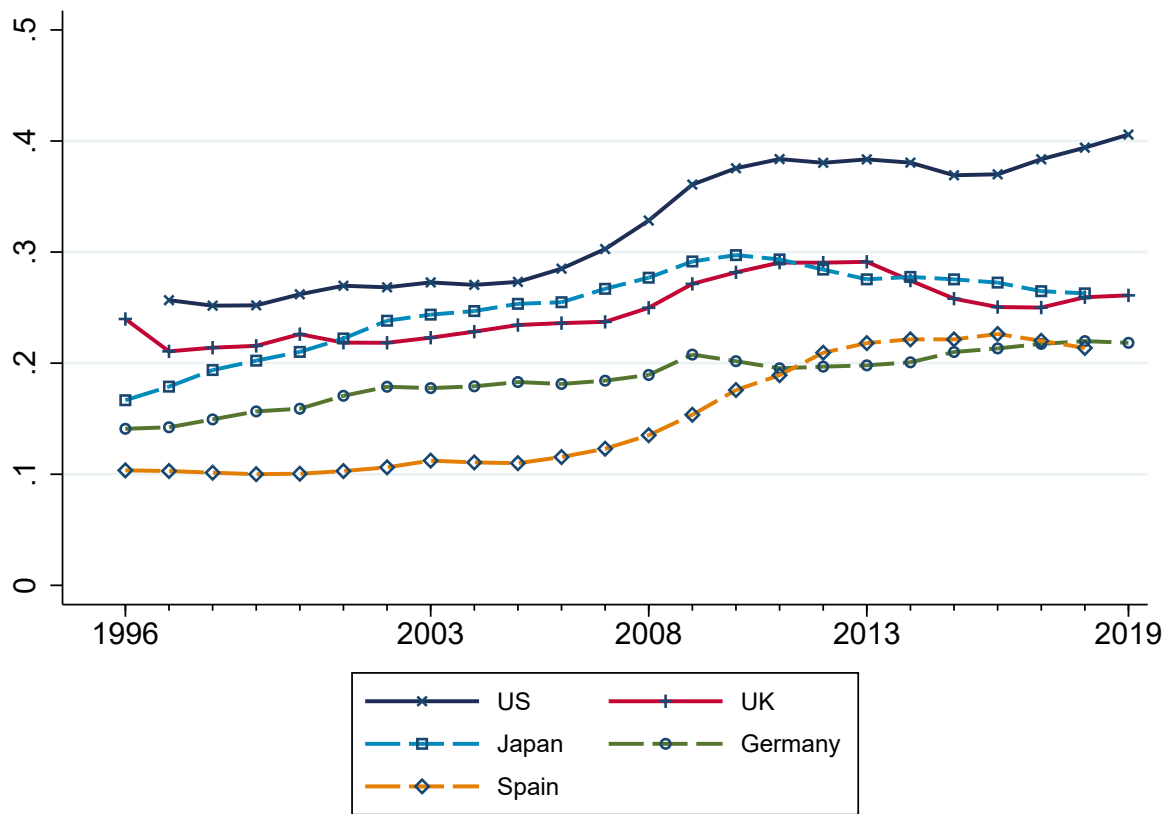


Figure 4: Normalized and Logarithmed Real Value Added: Data and Prediction



Note: This figure illustrates the evolution of the normalized and logarithmed real value added in sample countries computed using data from the EU KLEMS database. It also illustrates the predicted values of this variable using equation (1) and parameter estimates from Table 1.

Figure 5: Investments in ICT and IP Capital out of Total Investments



Note: This figure illustrates the evolution of real investments in ICT and IP capital out of total real investments in sample countries.

Table I: The Shares of Compensation of Labor, ICT, IP Capital, and Traditional Capital in Sample Countries

	US		UK		Japan		Germany		Spain	
	(1) 1998	(2) 2019	(3) 1996	(4) 2019	(5) 1996	(6) 2018	(7) 1996	(8) 2019	(9) 1996	(10) 2018
Share of Compensation										
Labor	0.660	0.614	0.588	0.659	0.639	0.730	0.691	0.680	0.663	0.610
ICT	0.025	0.013	0.032	0.012	0.041	0.014	0.017	0.007	0.013	0.009
IP	0.052	0.085	0.061	0.059	0.047	0.071	0.034	0.056	0.019	0.042
Traditional Capital	0.263	0.288	0.318	0.270	0.273	0.186	0.257	0.258	0.306	0.339
Capital	0.340	0.386	0.412	0.341	0.361	0.270	0.309	0.320	0.337	0.390
Capital w/t IP	0.288	0.301	0.350	0.282	0.314	0.200	0.274	0.265	0.319	0.348

Note: This table offers sample initial and end values of the shares of compensation of Labor, ICT, IP capital, and traditional capital out of value added. It also offers the shares of compensation of capital and capital without IP capital.

Table II: Derived Parameters

Derived Parameter	(1) US	(2) UK	(3) Japan	(4) Germany	(5) Spain
$\alpha_1$	0.726	0.717	0.769	0.730	0.676
$\alpha_2$	0.872	0.895	0.876	0.920	0.944
$\alpha_3$	0.187	0.231	0.272	0.210	0.270
$\delta_K$	0.051	0.047	0.110	0.041	0.035
$\delta_{ICT}$	0.167	0.223	0.207	0.207	0.187
$\delta_{IP}$	0.183	0.253	0.240	0.208	0.230
$\delta_{TK}$	0.034	0.034	0.068	0.032	0.029

Note: This table offers the values of parameters  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  and the values of depreciation rate parameters in sample countries. The values of  $\alpha$ -s are derived using equations (25), (26), and (27). The values of depreciation rate parameters are derived using information about the values of depreciation rate parameters of different types of capital from the 2017 release of the EU KLEMS database accessible at this link (last accessed: 29.08.2022). To construct these values, I take the averages of depreciation rates across industries (there is almost no variation across industries) and weighted averages using real capital stocks as weights. The values of depreciation rates of different types of capital are: information technology (IT) capital  $\delta_{IT} = 0.315$ , communications technology (CT) capital  $\delta_{CT} = 0.115$ , software and databases  $\delta_{SoftDB} = 0.315$ , transport equipment  $\delta_{TrEq} = 0.170$ , other machinery  $\delta_{OMach} = 0.129$ , other buildings and structures  $\delta_{OCon} = 0.024$ , dwellings  $\delta_{RStruc} = 0.011$ , other intellectual property  $\delta_{OIPP} = 0.129$ , and research and development IP  $\delta_{RD} = 0.2$ .

Table III: Basic Statistics

Variable	US			UK			Japan			Germany			Spain		
	(1) Mean	(2) 1998	(3) 2019	(4) Mean	(5) 1996	(6) 2019	(7) Mean	(8) 1996	(9) 2018	(10) Mean	(11) 1996	(12) 2019	(13) Mean	(14) 1996	(15) 2018
Value Added, NAC, current, bn	13753	8459	20016	1360	824	1977	420200	457100	404400	2293	1742	3106	828	452	1090
Total Labor Income, NAC, current, bn	8646	5587	12298	878	485	1303	282700	292200	295000	1539	1204	2112	525	299	664
Total Hours Worked, mn	252	243	274	49	45	55	116	125	114	59	58	63	31	24	34
Capital Stock, NAC, current, bn	44122	24472	64992	2991	1577	4622	137500	164900	109400	8246	6331	11444	3344	1644	4272
ICT Capital Stock, NAC, current, bn	684	526	874	57	49	75	9564	13460	5080	87	103	72	31	20	37
IP Capital Stock, NAC, current, bn	4188	2031	6259	204	115	321	25418	19838	25677	408	262	637	86	30	154
TK Stock, NAC, current, bn	39249	21915	57860	2729	1413	4226	102500	131600	78603	7750	5966	10735	3227	1594	4081
Value Added Price Index	0.930	0.735	1.126	0.887	0.719	1.087	1.037	1.118	1.011	0.916	0.840	1.068	0.898	0.673	1.025
Investment Price Index	0.954	0.816	1.095	0.876	0.722	1.104	1.023	1.096	1.007	0.926	0.881	1.093	0.968	0.732	1.041
ICT Investment Price Index	1.559	3.615	0.718	1.283	3.725	1.137	1.691	3.387	0.980	1.673	3.379	0.951	1.154	1.189	0.994
IP Investment Price Index	0.936	0.774	1.038	0.895	0.790	1.061	1.002	0.994	1.024	0.920	0.825	1.061	0.878	0.664	1.024
TK Investment Price Index	0.945	0.755	1.178	0.859	0.663	1.115	0.998	1.034	1.004	0.908	0.849	1.107	0.974	0.726	1.047

Note: This table offers the averages and sample initial and end values of the variables used in estimations. Nominal variables are in national currency units. Price indices are normalized to 1 in 2015. ICT capital includes information technologies (IT) and communication technologies (CT). IP capital includes software, organizational capital, and R&D capital. All data are from the 2021 release of the EU KLEMS database by the Luiss Lab of European Economics at Luiss University in Rome, Italy accessible at this link (last accessed: 29.08.2022). This database includes information on investment in capital stocks across both tangible and intangible assets. It is often used to study productivity and output, employment, labor income dynamics.

## C Technical Appendix

I consider an infinitely lived firm that discounts its profits at the rate of return  $r$  and produces its output  $Y$  with the following technology:

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} L I K_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} T K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}, \quad (16)$$

where

$$L I K_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} I K_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}},$$

$$I K_t = \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}},$$

and  $\varpi$ -s are share parameters,  $\varepsilon$ -s are elasticity of substitution parameters,  $\gamma$ -s are technological progress parameters,  $L$  is labor,  $K_{ICT}$  is ICT capital,  $K_{IP}$  is intellectual property capital, and  $TK$  is traditional capital.

The firm decides how much to invest in  $K_{ICT}$ ,  $K_{IP}$  and  $TK$  taking the prices of investments  $p_{ICT}$ ,  $p_{IP}$ , and  $p_{TK}$ , and  $r$  as given and solves the following problem:

$$\max_{\{L_t, I_{ICT,t}, I_{IP,t}, I_{TK,t}\}_{t=0}^{+\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{1}{1+r_t} \right)^t (Y_t - w_t L_t - p_{ICT,t} I_{ICT,t} - p_{IP,t} I_{IP,t} - p_{TK,t} I_{TK,t}) \quad (17)$$

*s.t.*

$$I_{ICT,t} = K_{ICT,t+1} - (1 - \delta_{ICT}) K_{ICT,t},$$

$$I_{IP,t} = K_{IP,t+1} - (1 - \delta_{IP}) K_{IP,t},$$

$$I_{TK,t} = TK_{t+1} - (1 - \delta_{TK}) TK_t,$$

where  $\delta$ -s are depreciation rate parameters.

The first order conditions that follow from this problem are given by

$$\frac{r_{ICT,t}K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \quad (18)$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}},$$

$$\frac{r_{IP,t}K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}},$$

$$\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \quad (20)$$

$$\frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}},$$

$$\frac{r_{TK,t}TK_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LIK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}, \quad (21)$$

where

$$r_{ICT,t} = [(1 + r_t) p_{ICT,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{ICT}) p_{ICT,t}], \quad (22)$$

$$r_{IP,t} = [(1 + r_t) p_{IP,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{IP}) p_{IP,t}], \quad (23)$$

$$r_{TK,t} = [(1 + r_t) p_{TK,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{TK}) p_{TK,t}]. \quad (24)$$

I normalize the system of equations (16)-(21) using sample averages of the variables following León-Ledesma et al. (2010). I use geometric averages as in Herrendorf et al. (2015).

I denote by  $S_{IK_t,LIK_t}$  the share of compensation of ICT and IP capital out of the compensation of labor and ICT and IP capital and use  $S_{LIK_t,Y_t}$  to denote the share of labor, IP capital, and ICT capital compensation in value added:

$$S_{IK_t,LIK_t} = \bar{\omega}_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \left( \frac{IK_t}{LIK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}},$$

$$S_{LIK_t,Y_t} = \bar{\omega}_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{LIK_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}.$$

I also use  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  to denote the following expressions:

$$\alpha_1 = \bar{\omega}_{LIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{LIK_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}, \quad (25)$$

$$\alpha_2 = \bar{\omega}_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_L t} L_t}{LIK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}, \quad (26)$$

$$\alpha_3 = \bar{\omega}_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t}}{IK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}, \quad (27)$$

where  $\bar{z}$  is the geometric average of a variable  $z$ .

I use  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  and write the logarithm of the normalized equation for output in the following way:

$$\ln \frac{Y_t}{\bar{Y}} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \ln \left[ \alpha_1 \left( \frac{LIK_t}{\bar{LIK}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + (1 - \alpha_1) \left( e^{\gamma_{TK} t} \frac{TK_t}{\bar{TK}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right], \quad (28)$$

where

$$\frac{LIK_t}{\bar{LIK}_t} = \left[ \alpha_2 \left( e^{\gamma_L t} \frac{L_t}{\bar{L}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + (1 - \alpha_2) \left( \frac{IK_t}{\bar{IK}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}},$$

$$\frac{IK_t}{\bar{IK}_t} = \left[ \alpha_3 \left( e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} \frac{K_{ICT,t}}{\bar{K}_{ICT,t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + (1 - \alpha_3) \left( e^{\gamma_{IP} t} \frac{K_{IP,t}}{\bar{K}_{IP,t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}},$$



and  $\hat{t}$  is demeaned trend,

$$\hat{t} = t - \frac{1}{T} \sum t. \quad (29)$$

I write the normalized equations corresponding to the first order conditions in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{ICT,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{ICT,t} &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) + \\ &\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{IK_t, LIK_t}}{\bar{S}_{IK_t, LIK_t}}\right) + \\ &\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{ICT} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left(\frac{K_{ICT,t} / \bar{K}_{ICT,t}}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{IP,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{IP,t} &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) + \\ &\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{IK_t, LIK_t}}{\bar{S}_{IK_t, LIK_t}}\right) + \\ &\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{IP} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left(\frac{K_{IP,t} / \bar{K}_{IP,t}}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) + \\ &\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_L \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{L_t / \bar{L}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

$$\ln r_{TK,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{TK,t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{TK} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left(\frac{TK_t / \bar{TK}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right). \quad (33)$$

I use equations (28)-(33) in the empirical estimations. The values of  $r_t$ ,  $S_{IK_t, LIK_t}$  and  $S_{LIK_t, Y_t}$  are needed in the empirical exercise. I use the following expressions to determine the values of  $r_t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t - w_t L_t &= [(1 + r_t) p_{ICT,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{ICT}) p_{ICT,t}] K_{ICT,t} + \\ &[(1 + r_t) p_{IP,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{IP}) p_{IP,t}] K_{IP,t} + \\ &[(1 + r_t) p_{TK,t-1} - (1 - \delta_{TK}) p_{TK,t}] TK_t, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$1 + r_t = \frac{Y_t - w_t L_t}{p_{ICT,t-1} K_{ICT,t} + p_{IP,t-1} K_{IP,t} + p_{TK,t-1} T K_t} + \frac{(1 - \delta_{ICT}) p_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t} + (1 - \delta_{IP}) p_{IP,t} K_{IP,t} + (1 - \delta_{TK}) p_{TK,t} K_{TK,t}}{p_{ICT,t-1} K_{ICT,t} + p_{IP,t-1} K_{IP,t} + p_{TK,t-1} T K_t}. \quad (34)$$

The values of  $S_{IK_t, LIK_t}$  and  $S_{LIK_t, Y_t}$  are given by

$$S_{IK_t, LIK_t} = \frac{r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t} + r_{IP,t} K_{IP,t}}{w_t L_t + r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t} + r_{IP,t} K_{IP,t}},$$

$$S_{LIK_t, Y_t} = \frac{w_t L_t + r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t} + r_{IP,t} K_{IP,t}}{Y_t},$$

where  $r_{ICT,t}$  and  $r_{IP,t}$  are given by equations (22) and (23).

In turn, I predict labor income share using the following expression:

$$\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\alpha_1 \left( \frac{LIK_t}{LIK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\alpha_1 \left( \frac{LIK_t}{LIK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + (1 - \alpha_1) \left( e^{\gamma_{TK} \hat{t} \frac{TK_t}{TK_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \frac{\alpha_2 \left( e^{\gamma_L \hat{t} \frac{L_t}{L_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\alpha_2 \left( e^{\gamma_L \hat{t} \frac{L_t}{L_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} + (1 - \alpha_2) \left( \frac{IK_t}{IK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}}}.$$

It can be derived from equation (32).

It is straightforward to show that the first order conditions of a monopolistic, price-setting firm are given by (7), (8), (9), and (10). I write the normalized equations corre-

sponding to these first order conditions in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}
(\ln r_{ICT,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{ICT,t}) - (\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t) &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) + \\
&\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{IK_t, LIK_t}}{\bar{S}_{IK_t, LIK_t}}\right) + \\
&\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{ICT} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left(\frac{K_{ICT,t}/\bar{K}_{ICT,t}}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right) - \\
&\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) - \\
&\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_L \hat{t} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{L_t/\bar{L}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right), \tag{35}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\ln r_{IP,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{IP,t}) - (\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t) &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) + \\
&\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{IK_t, LIK_t}}{\bar{S}_{IK_t, LIK_t}}\right) + \\
&\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{IP} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left(\frac{K_{IP,t}/\bar{K}_{IP,t}}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right) - \\
&\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) - \\
&\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_L \hat{t} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{L_t/\bar{L}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right), \tag{36}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\ln r_{TK,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{TK,t}) - (\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t) &= \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{TK} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left(\frac{TK_t/\bar{TK}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right) - \\
&\left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LIK_t, Y_t}}{\bar{S}_{LIK_t, Y_t}}\right) - \\
&\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_L \hat{t} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{L_t/\bar{L}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t}\right), \tag{37}
\end{aligned}$$

Markups  $\mu_t$  do not appear in these equations because they are the same across the first order conditions.

## C.A One Type of Capital

I consider an infinitely lived firm that has the following production technology

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_K^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_K t} K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1-1}}. \quad (38)$$

where  $K$  is total capital stock.

The firm discounts its profits at the rate of return  $r$  and solves the following problem:

$$\max_{\{L_t, I_t\}_{t=0}^{+\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{1}{1+r_t} \right)^t (Y_t - w_t L_t - p_t I_t)$$

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$$I_t = K_{t+1} - (1 - \delta) K_t.$$

The first order conditions that follow from this problem are given by

$$\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_K^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_K t} K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}$$

$$\frac{r_t K_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_K^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_K t} K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_K^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_K t} K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}$$

I use  $\alpha_{1,R1}$  to denote

$$\alpha_{1,R1} = \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{A_{L,t} L_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} = \frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t},$$

and the estimations use the following system of normalized equations:

$$\ln \frac{Y_t}{\bar{Y}} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \ln \left[ \alpha_{1,R1} \left( e^{\gamma_L \hat{t}} \frac{L_t}{\bar{L}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + (1 - \alpha_{1,R1}) \left( e^{\gamma_K \hat{t}} \frac{K_t}{\bar{K}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right], \quad (39)$$

$$\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_L \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{L_t / \bar{L}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right), \quad (40)$$

$$\ln r_t - \ln \bar{r}_t = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_K \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{K_t / \bar{K}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right). \quad (41)$$

The values of  $r$  are determined using  $r_t = (Y_t - w_t L_t) / K_t$ .

## C.B Single Elasticity of Substitution

The firm solves problem (17) where production function is now given by

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} T K_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}}. \quad (42)$$

The first order conditions that follow from this problem are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} &= \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}, \\ \frac{r_{IP,t} K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} &= \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}, \\ \frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} &= \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_L t} L_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}, \\ \frac{r_{TK,t} T K_t}{Y_t} &= \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{TK} t} T K_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $r_{ICT,t}$ ,  $r_{IP,t}$ , and  $r_{TK,t}$  are given by equations (22)-(24) and  $r_t$  is given by equation (34).

I use  $\alpha_{1,R2}$ ,  $\alpha_{2,R2}$ , and  $\alpha_{3,R2}$  to denote the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{1,R2} &= \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} = r_{ICT,t} \frac{K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t}, \\ \alpha_{2,R2} &= \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} = r_{IP,t} \frac{K_{IP,t}}{Y_t}, \\ \alpha_{3,R2} &= \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{TK} t} T K_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} = r_{TK,t} \frac{T K_t}{Y_t}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, I estimate the following system of normalized equations:

$$\ln \frac{Y_t}{\bar{Y}} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \ln \left[ (1 - \alpha_{1,R2} - \alpha_{2,R2} - \alpha_{3,R2}) \left( e^{\gamma_L \hat{t}} \frac{L_t}{\bar{L}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \right. \\ \left. \alpha_{1,R2} \left( e^{\gamma_{ICT} \hat{t}} \frac{K_{ICT,t}}{\bar{K}_{ICT,t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \alpha_{2,R2} \left( e^{\gamma_{IP} \hat{t}} \frac{K_{IP,t}}{\bar{K}_{IP,t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \right. \\ \left. \alpha_{3,R2} \left( e^{\gamma_{TK} \hat{t}} \frac{TK_t}{\bar{TK}_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right], \quad (43)$$

$$\ln r_{ICT,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{ICT,t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{ICT} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{K_{ICT,t} / \bar{K}_{ICT,t}}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right), \quad (44)$$

$$\ln r_{IP,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{IP,t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{IP} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{K_{IP,t} / \bar{K}_{IP,t}}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right), \quad (45)$$

$$\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_L \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{L_t / \bar{L}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right), \quad (46)$$

and

$$\ln r_{TK,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{TK,t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{TK} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{TK_t / \bar{TK}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t} \right). \quad (47)$$

### C.C Separate Nests for Labor and Traditional Capital and for ICT and IP

The firm solves problem (17) where production function is now given by

$$Y_t = \left( \varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}}, \quad (48)$$

where

$$LTK_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L \hat{t}} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} \hat{t}} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}}, \\ IK_t = \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} \hat{t}} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} \hat{t}} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3 - 1}}.$$

The first order conditions that follow from this problem are given by

$$\frac{r_{ICT,t}K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \frac{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \quad (49)$$

$$\frac{r_{IP,t}K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \frac{\varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT}t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP}t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \quad (50)$$

$$\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}, \quad (51)$$

and

$$\frac{r_{TK,t}TK_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} LTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \frac{\varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK}t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}. \quad (52)$$

I denote by  $S_{LTK_t, Y_t}$  and  $S_{IK_t, Y_t}$  the shares of compensation of labor and traditional capital and ICT and IP capital in value added:

$$S_{LTK_t, Y_t} = \varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{LTK_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}},$$

$$S_{IK_t, Y_t} = \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \left( \frac{IK_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}.$$

I also use  $\alpha_{1,R3}$ ,  $\alpha_{2,R3}$ , and  $\alpha_{3,R3}$  to denote the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{1,R3} &= \varpi_{LTK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \frac{\overline{LTK_t}^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{Y_t}, \\ \alpha_{2,R3} &= \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \frac{\overline{e^{\gamma_L \hat{t}} L_t}^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\overline{LTK_t}}, \\ \alpha_{3,R3} &= \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} \frac{\overline{e^{\gamma_{ICT} \hat{t}} K_{ICT,t}}^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{IK_t}.\end{aligned}$$

I use  $\alpha_{1,R3}$ ,  $\alpha_{2,R3}$ , and  $\alpha_{3,R3}$  and write the logarithm of the normalized equation for output in the following way:

$$\ln \frac{Y_t}{\overline{Y}_t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \ln \left[ \alpha_{1,R3} \left( \frac{\overline{LTK_t}}{\overline{LTK_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + (1 - \alpha_{1,R3}) \left( \frac{IK_t}{\overline{IK_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right], \quad (53)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\overline{LTK_t}}{\overline{LTK_t}} &= \left[ \alpha_{2,R3} \left( e^{\gamma_L \hat{t}} \frac{L_t}{\overline{L_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + (1 - \alpha_{2,R3}) \left( \frac{TK_t}{\overline{TK_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2-1}}, \\ \frac{IK_t}{\overline{IK_t}} &= \left[ \alpha_{3,R3} \left( e^{\gamma_{ICT} \hat{t}} \frac{K_{ICT,t}}{\overline{K_{ICT,t}}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + (1 - \alpha_{3,R3}) \left( e^{\gamma_{IP} \hat{t}} \frac{K_{IP,t}}{\overline{K_{IPP,t}}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3-1}},\end{aligned}$$

and  $\hat{t}$  is demeaned trend.

I write the normalized equations corresponding to the first order conditions in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln r_{ICT,t} - \ln \overline{r_{ICT,t}} &= \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IK_t, Y_t}}{\overline{S_{IK_t, Y_t}}} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{ICT} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left( \frac{K_{ICT,t} / \overline{K_{ICT,t}}}{Y_t / \overline{Y}_t} \right),\end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ln r_{IP,t} - \ln \overline{r_{IP,t}} &= \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IK_t, Y_t}}{\overline{S_{IK_t, Y_t}}} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{IP} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left( \frac{K_{IP,t} / \overline{K_{IPP,t}}}{Y_t / \overline{Y}_t} \right),\end{aligned} \quad (55)$$



$$\begin{aligned} \ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LTK_t, Y_t}}{S_{LTK_t, \bar{Y}_t}}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_L \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{L_t / \bar{L}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{TK,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{TK,t} &= \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}\right) \ln \left(\frac{S_{LTK_t, Y_t}}{S_{LTK_t, \bar{Y}_t}}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_{TK} \hat{t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left(\frac{TK_t / \bar{TK}_t}{Y_t / \bar{Y}_t}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

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The firm solves problem (17) where production function is now given by

$$Y_t = \left[ \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1}}, \quad (58)$$

where

$$IKTK_t = \left[ \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}},$$

and

$$IK_t = \left[ \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3 - 1}}.$$

The first order conditions that follow from this problem are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_{ICT,t} K_{ICT,t}}{Y_t} &= \frac{\varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma_L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \\ &\quad \frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times \\ &\quad \frac{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}}}, \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

$$\frac{r_{IP,t}K_{IP,t}}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \quad (60)$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}} \times$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}}{\varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}} + \varpi_{IP}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} (e^{\gamma_{IP} t} K_{IP,t})^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}},$$

$$\frac{w_t L_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}, \quad (61)$$

and

$$\frac{r_{TK,t}TK_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}}{\varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} (e^{\gamma L t} L_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}} + \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} IKTK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}}} \times \quad (62)$$

$$\frac{\varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}{\varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} IK_t^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}} + \varpi_{TK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} (e^{\gamma_{TK} t} TK_t)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}}.$$

I denote by  $S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}$  and  $S_{IK_t, IKTK_t}$  the following expressions:

$$S_{IKTK_t, Y_t} = \varpi_{TKIK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{IKTK_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}},$$

$$S_{IK_t, IKTK_t} = \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \left( \frac{IK_t}{IKTK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}}.$$

I also use  $\alpha_{1,R4}$ ,  $\alpha_{2,R4}$ , and  $\alpha_{3,R4}$  to denote the following expressions:

$$\alpha_{1,R4} = \varpi_L^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma L t} L_t}{Y_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1-1}{\varepsilon_1}},$$

$$\alpha_{2,R4} = \varpi_{IK}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}} \left( \frac{IK_t}{IKTK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2-1}{\varepsilon_2}},$$

$$\alpha_{3,R4} = \varpi_{ICT}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3}} \left( \frac{e^{\gamma_{ICT} t} K_{ICT,t}}{IK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3-1}{\varepsilon_3}}.$$

I use  $\alpha_{1,R4}$ ,  $\alpha_{2,R4}$ , and  $\alpha_{3,R4}$  and write the logarithm of the normalized equation for

output in the following way:

$$\ln \frac{Y_t}{\bar{Y}_t} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \ln \left[ \alpha_{1,R4} \left( e^{\gamma_{L\hat{t}} \frac{L_t}{\bar{L}_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} + (1 - \alpha_{1,R4}) \left( \frac{IKTK_t}{IKTK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1}} \right], \quad (63)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{IKTK_t}{IKTK_t} &= \left[ \alpha_{2,R4} \left( \frac{IK_t}{IK_t} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} + (1 - \alpha_{2,R4}) \left( e^{\gamma_{TK\hat{t}} \frac{TK_t}{TK_t}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1}}, \\ \frac{IK_t}{IK_t} &= \left[ \alpha_{3,R4} \left( e^{\gamma_{ICT\hat{t}} \frac{K_{ICT,t}}{K_{ICT,t}}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} + (1 - \alpha_{3,R4}) \left( e^{\gamma_{IP\hat{t}} \frac{K_{IP,t}}{K_{IP,t}}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3}} \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon_3}{\varepsilon_3 - 1}}. \end{aligned}$$

I write the normalized equations corresponding to the first order conditions in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{ICT,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{ICT,t} &= \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}}{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}} \right) + \\ &\quad \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1} \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IK_t, IKTK_t}}{S_{IK_t, IKTK_t}} \right) + \\ &\quad \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{ICT\hat{t}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left( \frac{K_{ICT,t}/\bar{K}_{ICT,t}}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{IP,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{IP,t} &= \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}}{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}} \right) + \\ &\quad \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2 - 1} \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IK_t, IKTK_t}}{S_{IK_t, IKTK_t}} \right) + \\ &\quad \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \gamma_{IP\hat{t}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3} \ln \left( \frac{K_{IP,t}/\bar{K}_{IP,t}}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

$$\ln w_t - \ln \bar{w}_t = \frac{\varepsilon_1 - 1}{\varepsilon_1} \gamma_{L\hat{t}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \ln \left( \frac{L_t/\bar{L}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t} \right), \quad (66)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \ln r_{TK,t} - \ln \bar{r}_{TK,t} &= \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1 - 1} \frac{\varepsilon_3 - 1}{\varepsilon_3} \right) \ln \left( \frac{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}}{S_{IKTK_t, Y_t}} \right) + \\ &\quad \frac{\varepsilon_2 - 1}{\varepsilon_2} \gamma_{TK\hat{t}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} \ln \left( \frac{TK_t/\bar{TK}_t}{Y_t/\bar{Y}_t} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$