# Effect of quality-adjusted production function inputs

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#### Abstract

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#### 1. Introduction

This is a study of the effects of quality-adjusted production function inputs on the importance of energy in the production function.

#### 2. Coordinates of Analysis

This section describes the coordinates of analysis and briefly reviews literature related to each.

### 2.1. Mathematical Forms of the Energy-augmented Production Function

In this paper, we assess two prominent energy-augmented production functions that appear in the literature: Cobb-Douglas (CD) and Constant Elasticity of Substitution (CES). These production functions are assessed relative to a model of exponential growth only. The following subsections describe each.

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## 2.1.1. Cobb-Douglas Production Function

The Cobb-Douglas production function can be expressed as

$$y = \theta A k^{\alpha_1} l^{\alpha_2} ; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)} , \qquad (1)$$

where  $y \equiv Y/Y_0$ ,  $\theta$  is a scale parameter, e is the base of the natural logarithm,  $\lambda$  is represents the pace of technological progress, t (time) is measured in years,  $k \equiv K/K_0$ ,  $l \equiv L/L_0$ , Y (economic output) is represented by GDP, K (capital) is expressed in currency units, L (labor) is expressed in workers or work-hours/year, and the 0 subscript indicates values at an initial year. Constant returns to scale are represented by the constraint  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$ .

The capital-labor Cobb-Douglas production function shown in Equation 1 can be augmented to include an energy term:

$$y = \theta A k^{\alpha_1} l^{\alpha_2} e^{\alpha_3} \; ; \; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)} \; , \tag{2}$$

where  $e \equiv E/E_0$ , and E is in units of energy per time, typically TJ/year. The energy-augmented Cobb-Douglas production function is often assumed to have constant returns to scale for the three factors of production:  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1$ . The term A is known as total factor productivity, and  $\lambda$  is the Solow residual.

## 2.1.2. Constant Elasticity of Substitution Production Function (CES)

Other energy economists use an energy-augmented Constant Elasticity of Substitution (CES) production function to describe economic growth. The R package micEconCES estimates CES production functions of the following form

$$y = \gamma A \left\{ \delta \left[ \delta_1 x_1^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) x_2^{-\rho_1} \right]^{\rho/\rho_1} + (1 - \delta) x_3^{-\rho} \right\}^{-1/\rho}; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)}, (3)$$

where  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$  are factors of production and permutations of capital (k), labor (l), and energy (e).

The CES model without energy is given in Equation 4.

$$y = \gamma A \left[ \delta_1 k^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) l^{-\rho_1} \right]^{-1/\rho_1}; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)}.$$
 (4)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Dimensionless, indexed quantities are represented by lower-case symbols (y, k, l, e, q, x, and u), and dimensional quantities are represented by upper-case symbols (Y, K, L, E, Q, X, and U). Model parameters are represented by Greek letters  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \lambda, \theta)$ .

Equation 5 augments Equation 4 with energy using a (kl)(e) nesting structure, as is typical in the literature. Equation 4 is a degenerate form of Equation 5 where  $\delta \to 1$ .

$$y = \gamma A \left\{ \delta \left[ \delta_1 k^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) l^{-\rho_1} \right]^{\rho/\rho_1} + (1 - \delta) e^{-\rho} \right\}^{-1/\rho}; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)}. \quad (5)$$

In the CES production function,  $\gamma$  is a fitting parameter that accounts for an atypical first year. The fitting parameters  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho$  indicate elasticities of substitution  $(\sigma_1 \text{ and } \sigma)$ . The elasticity of substitution between capital (k) and labor (l) is given by  $\sigma_1 = \frac{1}{1+\rho_1}$ , and the elasticity of substitution between (kl) and (e) is given by  $\sigma = \frac{1}{1+\rho}$ . As  $\rho_1 \to 0$ ,  $\sigma_1 \to 1$ , and the embedded CES production function for k and l degenerates to the Cobb-Douglas production function. Similarly, as  $\rho \to 0$ ,  $\sigma \to 1$ , and the CES production function for (kl) and (e) degenerates to the Cobb-Douglas production function. As  $\sigma \to \infty$   $(\rho \to -1)$ , (kl) and (e) are perfect substitutes. As  $\sigma \to 0$   $(\rho \to \infty)$ , (kl) and (e) are perfect complements: no substitution is possible. Similarly, as  $\sigma_1 \to 0$   $(\rho_1 \to \infty)$ , k and l are perfect complements.  $\delta_1$  describes the relative importance of capital (k) and labor (l), and  $\delta$  describes the importance of (kl) relative to (e).

Constraints on the fitting parameters include  $\delta_1 \in [0, 1], \ \delta \in [0, 1], \ \rho_1 \in [-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ , and  $\rho \in [-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ .

Two other nestings of the factors of production (k, l, and e) are possible with the CES model.

$$y = \gamma A \left\{ \delta \left[ \delta_1 l^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) e^{-\rho_1} \right]^{\rho/\rho_1} + (1 - \delta) k^{-\rho} \right\}^{-1/\rho}; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)}$$
 (6)

$$y = \gamma A \left\{ \delta \left[ \delta_1 e^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) k^{-\rho_1} \right]^{\rho/\rho_1} + (1 - \delta) l^{-\rho} \right\}^{-1/\rho}; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t - t_0)}$$
 (7)

Note that  $\rho$  ( $\sigma$ ),  $\rho_1$  ( $\sigma_1$ ),  $\delta$ , and  $\delta_1$  have different meanings depending upon the nesting of the factors of production.

#### 2.1.3. Exponential Production Function

We define an exponential-only reference model for economic growth in Equation 8.

$$y = \theta A \; ; \; A \equiv e^{\lambda(t-t_0)} \; .$$
 (8)

The reference model is a degenerate case of the Cobb-Douglas production function wherein all factor shares are zero ( $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = 0$ ) and the constant returns to scale constraint is not respected.

We expect that the reference model will have a larger fitted Solow residual term than the Cobb-Douglas and CES models, because no factors of production are included in the reference model to drive growth. Indeed, in the reference model, all growth is attributed to the Solow residual.

In contrast, it is not necessarily true that Cobb-Douglas and CES models will exhibit lower mse than the reference model shown in Equation 8. The Cobb-Douglas and CES models have more fitting parameters, but they incorporate the factors of production at constant returns to scale. The reference model has  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$ , whereas our implementations of both the Cobb-Douglas and CES models requires constant returns to scale,  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1$ . Thus, if the factors of production  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \text{ and } \alpha_3)$  are poorly correlated to output (y), the constant returns to scale constraint may cause higher mse for the Cobb-Douglas or CES models relative to the reference model.

In the sections that follow, we assess the Cobb-Douglas and CES models relative to the reference model in terms of goodness of both goodness of fit (mse) and Solow residual  $(\lambda)$ .

#### 2.2. Economies

Discuss economies here. UK and Portugal.

#### 3. Sources of Data

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#### 3.1. Historical Data

Historical data are stored in the IST and Leeds data sets.

For unadjusted variables, we use the time series shown in Table 1.

For quality-adjusted variables, we use the time series shown in Table 2.

Unadjusted and quality-adjusted data for both Portugal and the United Kingdom are shown in Figure 1.

Table 1: Unadjusted time-series variables.

Variable	Portugal	UK
Output	iGDP	iGDP
Capital	iKstkS.L	iKstkO.WwithRD
Labor	iL	iL
Energy	iXpMP	iXp

Table 2: Quality-adjusted time series variables.

Variable	Portugal	UK
Output	iGDP	iGDP
Capital	iKservS.L	iKservO. Wwith RD
Labor	ihLest	ihLest
Energy	iUMP	iU

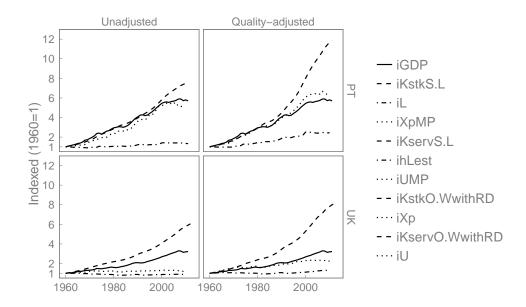


Figure 1: Historical data.

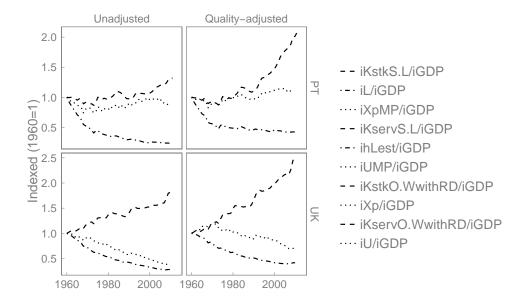


Figure 2: Pre-econometric data.

## 4. Parameter Estimation (Without Cost-share Theorem)

The models being fit can be described by the algebraic form of the model (Cobb-Douglas, CES, etc.) and a formula that enumerates which data variables are being used in which roles to fit the model. A formula of the form

$$y \sim x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + t, \tag{9}$$

or

$$y \sim x_1 + x_2 + t,$$
 (10)

describes the economic output variable (y, usually iGDP, indexed GDP) and the factors of production  $(x_1, x_2, and x_3, which will be some measure of capital, labor, and energy, but perhaps not in that order), and a time variable <math>(t, usually iYear, the number of years since the beginning of data collection).$  All of the models assume an error term that is additive on the logarithmic scale and are fit by the method of least squares. Model fitting provides estimates for all parameters in the model.

Table 3: Equations for  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  (factor shares for capital, labor, and energy, respectively) for the various CES nestings, provided that the formula is specified as  $y \sim k + 1 + e + time$ .

Nesting	nest	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3$
(kl) + ()	c(1,2)	$\delta_1$	$1-\delta_1$	0
(kl) + (e)	c(1,2,3)	$\delta\delta_1$	$\delta(1-\delta_1)$	$1 - \delta$
(le) + (k)	c(2,3,1)	$1 - \delta$	$\delta\delta_1$	$\delta(1-\delta_1)$
(ek) + (l)	c(3,1,2)	$\delta(1-\delta_1)$	$1 - \delta$	$\delta\delta_1$

For the CES model, values of  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  are calculated by  $\alpha_1 = \delta_1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 1 - \delta_1$ , and  $\alpha_3 = 0$  for the CES model with two factors of production and by  $\alpha_1 = \delta \delta_1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = \delta(1 - \delta_1)$ , and  $\alpha_3 = 1 - \delta$  for the CES model with three factors of production and the (kl)e nesting. The values of  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$  are interpreted as factor shares for capital, labor, and energy, respectively, as shown in Table 3, assuming factors of production are specified in the fitting formula as y  $\sim$  k + 1 + e + time.

## 5. Results

#### 5.1. Fits to historical data

Both historical GDP and fitted GDP are shown in Figures 3–6.

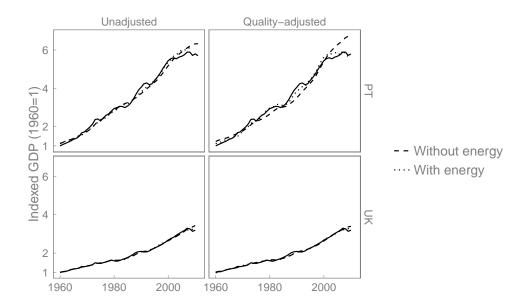


Figure 3: Cobb-Douglas models that reject the cost-share theorem. Solid line is historical GDP.

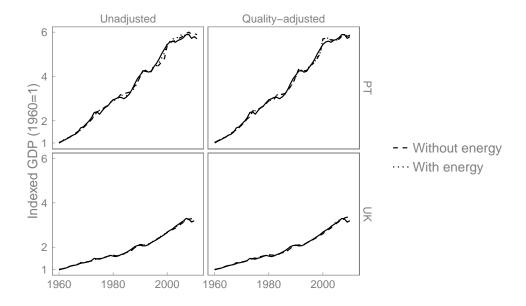


Figure 4: CES models with (kl)e nesting. Solid line is historical GDP.

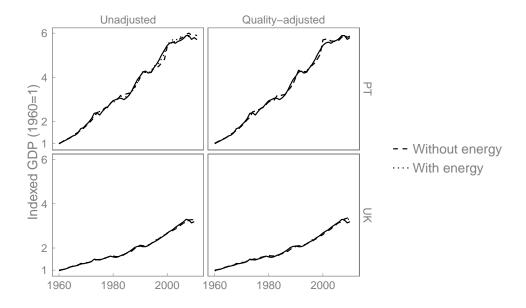


Figure 5: CES models with (le)k nesting. Solid line is historical GDP.

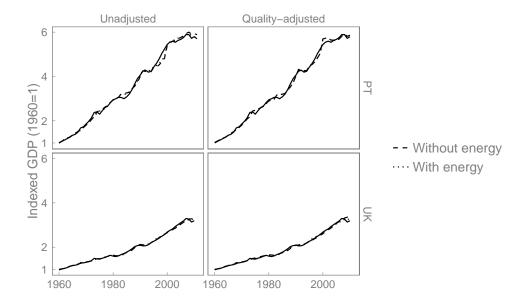


Figure 6: CES models with (ek)l nesting. Solid line is historical GDP.

### 5.2. Fitting residuals

Because we fit in log-space, fitting residuals  $(r_i)$  are defined as

$$r_i \equiv \ln(y_i) - \ln(\hat{y}_i) = \ln\left(\frac{y_i}{\hat{y}_i}\right),$$
 (11)

where  $r_i$  will be zero when there is agreement between historical  $(y_i)$  and fitted  $(\hat{y}_i)$  economic output.

The mean squared error (mse) for any fitted model can be calculated by

$$mse \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} r_i^2. \tag{12}$$

Figures 7–10 show fitting residuals for all models.

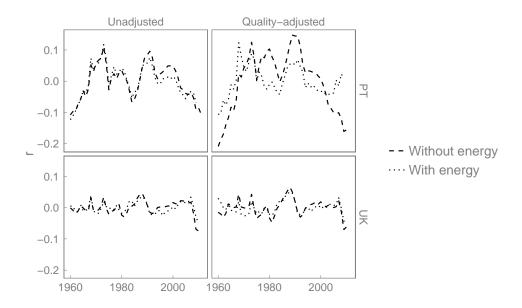


Figure 7: Fitting residuals for Cobb-Douglas models.

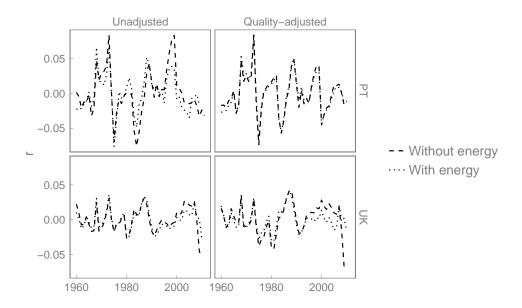


Figure 8: Fitting residuals for CES models with (kl)e nesting.

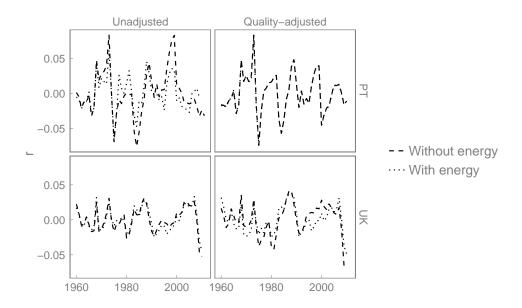


Figure 9: Fitting residuals for CES models with (le)k nesting.

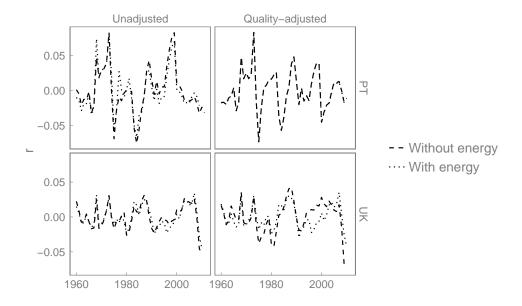


Figure 10: Fitting residuals for CES models with (ek)l nesting.

#### 6. Analysis

For now, I've organized the analysis around questions that we would like to answer.

# 6.1. Does rejecting the cost-share theorem decrease the mean squared error and/or the Solow residual?

Our hypothesis is that rejecting the cost-share theorem (CST) will decrease both mean squared error (mse) and the Solow residual  $(\lambda)$ . The mean squared error (mse) is expected to decrease because rejecting the CST adds one or more fitting parameters to the model. The Solow residual  $(\lambda)$  is expected to decrease because the factor shares for capital  $(\alpha_1)$  and labor  $(\alpha_2 = 1 - \alpha_1)$  are free to float, allowing each factor of production to contribute optimally toward production and bringing the model's prediction for economic output closer to historical output. In so doing, we expect less "unexplained" economic growth and a decreased Solow residual  $(\lambda)$ .

Table 4 shows the effect of the CST on fitted parameters for the Cobb-Douglas model and the exponential-only model. The Cobb-Douglas models show lower mse than the exponential-only models. The Cobb-Douglas models also reduce solow residual  $(\lambda)$  relative to the exponential-only case.

Table 4: Model parameters for Cobb-Douglas models with unadjusted factors of production,

without energy.

Country	$_{ m model}$	cst	scale	lambda	alpha_1	alpha_2	mse
PT	exp	Reject CST	1.283537	0.034507	0.000000	0.000000	0.013359
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Adhere to CST	1.328501	0.016080	0.300000	0.700000	0.011724
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Reject CST	1.113489	-0.005539	1.000000	0.000000	0.003190
UK	exp	Reject CST	1.021833	0.023565	0.000000	0.000000	0.001212
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Adhere to CST	1.032978	0.015510	0.300000	0.700000	0.000775
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Reject CST	1.000925	0.006654	0.544956	0.455044	0.000494

Table 5 shows the effect of the CST on fitted parameters for the CES model. The CES models show lower mse than the exponential-only models. The CES models also reduce solow residual ( $\lambda$ ) relative to the exponential-only case.

Table 5: Model parameters for CES models with unadjusted factors of production, without

energy.

Country	model	cst	gamma	lambda	alpha_1	alpha_2	$sigma_1$	mse
PT	exp	Reject CST		0.034507	0.000000	0.000000		0.013359
PT	CES	Adhere to CST	1.318284	0.018825	0.300000	0.700000	0.665163	0.011450
PT	CES	Reject CST	0.998729	0.012404	0.983352	0.016648	0.173623	0.001113
UK	exp	Reject CST		0.023565	0.000000	0.000000		0.001212
UK	CES	Adhere to CST	1.006734	0.020914	0.300000	0.700000	0.509524	0.000491
UK	CES	Reject CST	0.977872	0.017904	0.436298	0.563702	0.500000	0.000326

Both Cobb-Douglas and CES models do a better job of fitting historical data than an exponential-only model as evidenced by decreased mse values. Both Cobb-Douglas and CES models exhibit reduced Solow residual ( $\lambda$  compared to the exponential-only model. For both Cobb-Douglas and CES, rejecting the Cost Share Theorem yields decreased mean squared error (mse) and smaller Solow residual ( $\lambda$ , on an absolute-value basis), as expected.

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Note that in Table 5, we see  $\sigma_1 = 0.5$  for UK when the cost share theorem is rejected. This even-numbered result is coming from the grid search in  $\rho_1$ . For an unknown reason, the gradient search from the best grid search point fails. I will investigate.

This result means that we have found a set of fitting coefficients for this situation that is *close* to providing the minimum possible mse, but it may not be the *exact* minimum. Regardless, the point above (that mse and  $\lambda$  always decrease when rejecting the cost share theorem) remains valid. Investigating and fixing this problem will only serve to *further* reduce mse and  $\lambda$  from the values reported in Table 5.

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6.2. Does quality-adjusting the factors of production decrease the mean squared error and/or the Solow residual?

We can test our hypothesis that quality-adjusting the factors of production and including energy will both reduce the Solow residuals ( $\lambda$ ) and improve the fit to historical data (thereby reducing the fitting residuals,  $r_i$ , and mean squared error, mse) by calculating  $\Delta\lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$ , where

$$\Delta \lambda \equiv |\lambda| - |\lambda_{Unadjusted, Without \, energy, \, CST}| \tag{13}$$

and

$$\Delta mse \equiv mse - mse_{Unadjusted, Without energy, CST}. \tag{14}$$

where N is the number of years of data. On a percentage basis,

$$\Delta \lambda \left[\%\right] = \frac{100 \,\Delta \lambda}{\left|\lambda_{Unadjusted, Without \, energy, \, CST}\right|} = \frac{100 \,\left|\lambda\right|}{\left|\lambda_{Unadjusted, Without \, energy, \, CST}\right|} - 1 \tag{15}$$

When  $\Delta\lambda$ ,  $\Delta\lambda$  [%], or  $\Delta mse$  are negative, we observe reduction in the Solow residual ( $\lambda$ ) or the fitting residuals (mse) relative to the unadjusted, no-energy, CST case.

To calculate  $\Delta\lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$ , we need to fit all combinations of country, model, flavor, energy, nest, and CST. Table 6 shows coefficients for all fitted Cobb-Douglas models and the reference model (exponential-only).

Table 6: Model parameters for all Cobb-Douglas models.

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Country	model	flavor	energy	cst	scale	lambda	alpha_1	alpha_2	alpha_3	mse
PT	exp		Without energy	Reject CST	1.283537	0.034507	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.013359
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	1.328501	0.016080	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000	0.011724
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	1.113489	-0.005539	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.003190
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	With energy	Reject CST	1.130790	-0.004439	0.755978	0.000000	0.244022	0.002628
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	1.364226	0.004183	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000	0.011340
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	1.231989	-0.015079	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.008937
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy	Reject CST	1.111839	-0.004569	0.000000	0.000000	1.000000	0.002268
UK	exp		Without energy	Reject CST	1.021833	0.023565	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.001212
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	1.032978	0.015510	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000	0.000775
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	1.000925	0.006654	0.544956	0.455044	0.000000	0.000494
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	With energy	Reject CST	0.995030	0.018134	0.162500	0.460325	0.377175	0.000331
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	1.038384	0.008725	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000	0.001564
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	1.015146	-0.008149	0.751058	0.248942	0.000000	0.000720
UK	CD	Quality-adjusted	With energy	Reject CST	0.970614	0.001981	0.403433	0.330248	0.266319	0.000453

Tables 7 and 8 show coefficients for all fitted CES models and the reference model (exponential-only).

Table 9 shows  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  results for the Cobb-Douglas models.

Table 7: Model parameters for all CES models.

Country	model	flavor	energy	nest	cst	gamma	lambda	alpha_1	alpha_2	alpha_3
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PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	1.318284	0.018825	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	0.998729	0.012404	0.983352	0.016648	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	1.022631	0.009738	0.727922	0.000064	0.272014
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	1.005212	0.008318	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	1.009966	0.010742	0.983292	0.016708	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	1.335143	0.009131	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	1.017672	0.005739	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	1.027582	0.004508	0.902835	0.000000	0.097165
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	1.016454	0.005790	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	1.017327	0.005789	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000
UK	exp		Without energy		Reject CST		0.023565	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	1.006734	0.020914	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	0.977872	0.017904	0.436298	0.563702	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	0.989712	0.013857	0.445243	0.554757	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	0.982919	0.020230	0.570049	0.134387	0.295564
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	0.985088	0.022682	0.254298	0.738243	0.007460
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	1.008638	0.013592	0.300000	0.700000	0.000000
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	0.983725	0.001956	0.628728	0.371272	0.000000
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	0.980315	0.007103	0.426684	0.421804	0.151512
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	0.968799	0.007115	0.469167	0.144017	0.386817
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	0.981695	0.011338	0.305749	0.642022	0.052229

Tables 10–12 show  $\Delta\lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  results for CES models with various nestings.

Figures 11 and 12 summarize  $\Delta\lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  results for the Cobb-Douglas model.

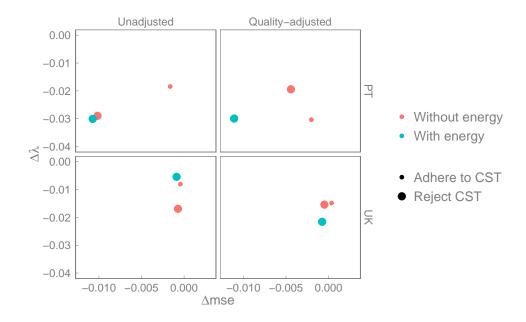


Figure 11: Change in Solow Residuals  $(\Delta \lambda)$  and mean squared error  $(\Delta mse)$  for the Cobb-Douglas model relative to the exponential-only model.

Table 8: Model parameters for all CES models.

Country     model     flavor     energy     nest     cst     sigma_1     sigma_1       PT     exp     Without energy     Reject CST	mse 0.013359
PT exp Without energy Reject CST	
PT CES Unadjusted Without energy kl Adhere to CST 0.665163	0.011450
PT CES Unadjusted Without energy kl Reject CST 0.173623	0.001113
PT CES Unadjusted With energy kle Reject CST 0.078512 1.747120	0.000746
PT CES Unadjusted With energy lek Reject CST 0.398887 0.013645	0.000588
PT CES Unadjusted With energy ekl Reject CST 0.005193 0.186281	0.000985
PT CES Quality-adjusted Without energy kl Adhere to CST 0.399944	0.009694
PT CES Quality-adjusted Without energy kl Reject CST 0.017511	0.000804
PT CES Quality-adjusted With energy kle Reject CST 0.017991 Inf	0.000792
PT CES Quality-adjusted With energy lek Reject CST 0.017595 0.005358	0.000812
PT CES Quality-adjusted With energy ekl Reject CST 0.017013	0.000817
UK exp Without energy Reject CST	0.001212
UK CES Unadjusted Without energy kl Adhere to CST 0.509524	0.000491
UK CES Unadjusted Without energy kl Reject CST 0.500000	0.000326
UK CES Unadjusted With energy kle Reject CST 0.720815 0.009391	0.000223
UK CES Unadjusted With energy lek Reject CST Inf 0.465188	0.000289
UK CES Unadjusted With energy ekl Reject CST 0.103338 1.340508	0.000281
UK CES Quality-adjusted Without energy kl Adhere to CST 0.545219	0.001207
UK CES Quality-adjusted Without energy kl Reject CST 0.607601	0.000571
UK CES Quality-adjusted With energy kle Reject CST 0.611818 0.014357	0.000267
UK CES Quality-adjusted With energy lek Reject CST Inf 0.611994	0.000380
UK CES Quality-adjusted With energy ekl Reject CST 0.190138 1.247783	0.000301

Table 9:  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  for Cobb-Douglas models.

Country	model	flavor	energy	cst	Dlambda	Dmse
PT	CD	Unadjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	-0.018427	-0.001635
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	-0.028968	-0.010168
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	With energy	Reject CST	-0.030068	-0.010730
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	-0.030324	-0.002019
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	-0.019428	-0.004422
PT	$^{\rm CD}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy	Reject CST	-0.029938	-0.011091
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	-0.008055	-0.000437
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	-0.016911	-0.000717
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Unadjusted	With energy	Reject CST	-0.005432	-0.000880
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Adhere to CST	-0.014840	0.000352
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	Reject CST	-0.015416	-0.000492
UK	CD	Quality-adjusted	With energy	Reject CST	-0.021584	-0.000758

Table 10:  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  for CES models with (kl)e nesting.

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Country	$_{ m model}$	flavor	energy	$_{ m nest}$	cst	Dlambda	Dmse
PT	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.015683	-0.001908
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.022103	-0.012246
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	-0.024769	-0.012613
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.025377	-0.003665
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.028768	-0.012555
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	-0.029999	-0.012566
UK	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.002651	-0.000721
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.005661	-0.000886
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	-0.009708	-0.000989
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.009973	-0.000004
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.021609	-0.000641
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	Reject CST	-0.016463	-0.000944

Table 11:  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  for CES models with (le)k nesting.

Country	model	flavor	energy	nest	cst	Dlambda	Dmse
PT	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.015683	-0.001908
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.022103	-0.012246
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	-0.026189	-0.012771
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.025377	-0.003665
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.028768	-0.012555
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	-0.028717	-0.012546
UK	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.002651	-0.000721
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.005661	-0.000886
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	-0.003335	-0.000923
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.009973	-0.000004
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.021609	-0.000641
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	Reject CST	-0.016450	-0.000831

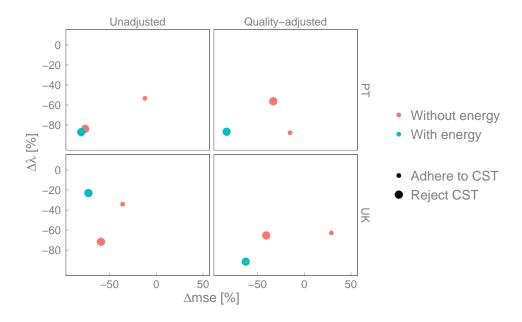


Figure 12: Percentage change in Solow Residuals  $(\Delta \lambda\, [\%])$  and mean squared error  $(\Delta mse\, [\%])$  for the Cobb-Douglas model relative to exponential-only models.

Table 12:  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  for CES models with (ek)l nesting.

Country	model	flavor	energy	nest	cst	Dlambda	Dmse
PT	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
PT	CÉS	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.015683	-0.001908
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.022103	-0.012246
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	-0.023766	-0.012374
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.025377	-0.003665
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.028768	-0.012555
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	-0.028718	-0.012542
UK	exp		Without energy		Reject CST	0.000000	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.002651	-0.000721
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.005661	-0.000886
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	-0.000883	-0.000930
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Adhere to CST	-0.009973	-0.000004
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	Reject CST	-0.021609	-0.000641
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	Reject CST	-0.012227	-0.000910

Figures 13 and 14 summarize  $\Delta \lambda$  and  $\Delta mse$  results for CES models.

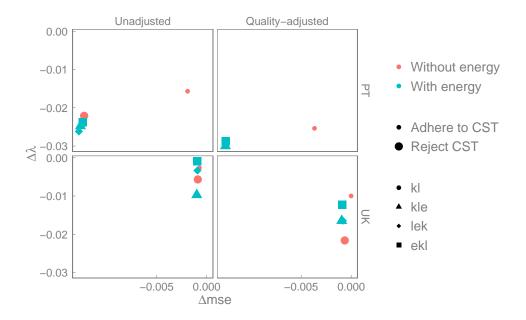


Figure 13: Change in Solow Residuals  $(\Delta \lambda)$  and mean squared error  $(\Delta mse)$  for the CES modles relative to the exponential-only model.

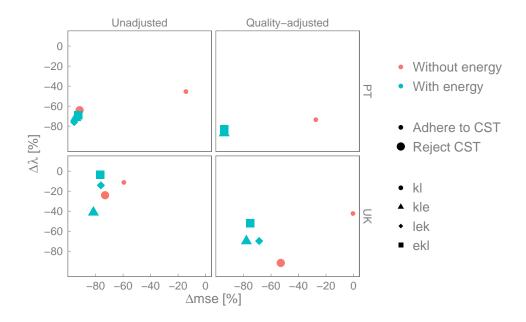


Figure 14: Percentage change in Solow Residuals  $(\Delta \lambda \, [\%])$  and mean squared error  $(\Delta mse \, [\%])$  for the CES models relative to the exponential-only model.

#### 6.3. Are the means of the fitting residuals significantly different from zero?

The set of fitting residual values  $(r_i)$  for each combination of country (PT or UK), model (Cobb-Douglas or CES), flavor (Unadjusted or Quality-adjusted), energy (with or without), and nest [(kl), (kl)e, (le)k, or (ek)l, for the CES models] can be assessed for statistical significance compared to zero by a t-test. The null hypothesis for the t-test is that the mean of each group is equal to zero, and the alternative hypothesis is that the mean is not equal to zero. Smaller p-values indicate increasing confidence that the mean is different from zero. We expect that p-values will be large (close to unity), because the mean of the residuals is expected to be small (close to zero). Indeed, that is the case. Table 13 summarizes the mean and associated p-values values for the fitting residuals  $(r_i)$ .

# 6.4. Does quality-adjusting the factors of production or including energy decrease the fitting residuals in a statistically-significant manner?

The set of annual  $\Delta r$  values for each combination of country (PT or UK), model (Cobb-Douglas or CES), flavor (Unadjusted or Quality-adjusted),

Table 13: Means and p-values for fitting residuals  $(r_i)$ .

Country	model	flavor	energy	nest	Residuals.mean	Residuals.p.value
PT	CD	Unadjusted	Without energy		-0.000000	1.000000
PT	CD	Unadjusted	With energy		-0.000000	1.000000
PT	$\overline{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy		0.000000	1.000000
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy		0.000000	1.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	0.000000	0.999999
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	-0.000000	0.999999
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	-0.000162	0.962887
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	-0.000080	0.985890
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.000025	0.997238
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	-0.000083	0.983608
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	-0.000007	0.998657
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	0.000001	0.999715
PT	exp		Without energy		-0.000000	1.000000
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	Without energy		0.000000	1.000000
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	With energy		-0.000000	1.000000
UK	$^{\rm CD}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy		0.000000	1.000000
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy		-0.000000	1.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.000000	1.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	-0.000037	0.986099
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	-0.000000	1.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	0.000000	0.999997
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	0.000000	0.999999
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	-0.000000	0.999998
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	0.000000	1.000000
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	0.000000	0.999998
UK	exp		Without energy		-0.000000	1.000000

energy (with or without), and nest [(kl), (kl)e, (le)k, or (ek)l, for the CES models] can be assessed for statistical significance compared to zero by a t-test. The null hypothesis for the t-test is that the mean of each group is equal to zero, and the alternative hypothesis is that the mean is less than zero. Smaller p-values indicate increasing confidence that the mean is actually less than zero. Table 14 summarizes the mean and associated p-values values for  $\Delta r$ .

## 6.5. What trends exist in factors shares?

Figures 15 and 16 show factor shares ( $\alpha$  values) for CES models for Portugal and the UK, respectively. See Table 3 for details.

Table 14: Means and p-values for  $\Delta r$ .

Country	model	flavor	energy	nest	Dr.mean	Dr.p.value
PT	CD	Unadjusted	Without energy		-0.025733	0.000000
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	With energy		-0.048181	0.000000
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy		-0.009587	0.003533
PT	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy		-0.051804	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.038049	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	-0.069223	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	-0.071483	0.000000
PT	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	-0.065928	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.042697	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	-0.067761	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	-0.067419	0.000000
PT	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	-0.067335	0.000000
PT	exp		Without energy		0.000000	
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	Without energy		-0.011254	0.000003
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Unadjusted	With energy		-0.014450	0.000000
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	Without energy		-0.004538	0.055557
UK	$^{\mathrm{CD}}$	Quality-adjusted	With energy		-0.012454	0.000072
UK	CES	Unadjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.013655	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	kle	-0.017349	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	lek	-0.015158	0.000000
UK	CES	Unadjusted	With energy	ekl	-0.015557	0.000000
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	Without energy	kl	-0.007222	0.003270
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	kle	-0.016547	0.000000
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	lek	-0.013366	0.000007
UK	CES	Quality-adjusted	With energy	ekl	-0.014973	0.000000
UK	exp		Without energy		0.000000	

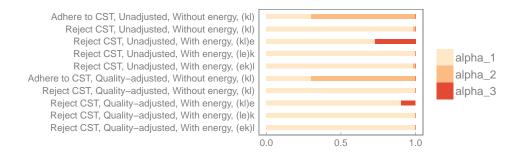


Figure 15: Factor shares ( $\alpha$  values) for CES models for Portugal.

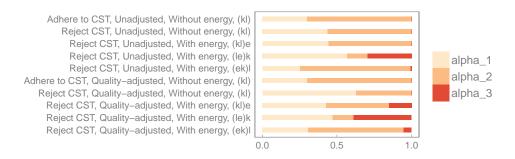


Figure 16: Factor shares ( $\alpha$  values) for CES models for the UK.

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#### References

# Appendix A. Derivation of dynamic Solow residual for the CD equation

Assuming that parameters  $\theta$ ,  $\alpha$ , and  $\beta$  in Equation 2 are known from parameter estimation, we can estimate the value of  $\lambda$  as follows. First, assume constant returns to scale such that  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ , and calculate  $\gamma = 1 - \alpha - \beta$ . Then, take the natural logarithm (ln) of Equation 2 to obtain

$$\ln y = \ln \theta + \ln A + \alpha \ln k + \beta \ln l + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \ln e. \tag{A.1}$$

By taking the derivative of Equation A.1 with respect to time (t) and noting that model parameters  $\theta$ ,  $\alpha$ , and  $\beta$  are constant with respect to time, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{y}\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{A}\frac{\mathrm{d}A}{\mathrm{d}t} + \alpha \frac{1}{k}\frac{\mathrm{d}k}{\mathrm{d}t} + \beta \frac{1}{l}\frac{\mathrm{d}l}{\mathrm{d}t} + (1 - \alpha - \beta)\frac{1}{e}\frac{\mathrm{d}e}{\mathrm{d}t}.$$
 (A.2)

Solving for the total factor productivity term gives

$$\frac{1}{A}\frac{\mathrm{d}A}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{y}\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} - \left[\alpha \frac{1}{k}\frac{\mathrm{d}k}{\mathrm{d}t} + \beta \frac{1}{l}\frac{\mathrm{d}l}{\mathrm{d}t} + (1 - \alpha - \beta)\frac{1}{e}\frac{\mathrm{d}e}{\mathrm{d}t}\right]. \tag{A.3}$$

Recognizing that  $A \equiv e^{\lambda(t-t_0)}$  gives

$$\frac{1}{A}\frac{\mathrm{d}A}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{\mathrm{e}^{\lambda(t-t_0)}} \lambda \mathrm{e}^{\lambda(t-t_0)} = \lambda , \qquad (A.4)$$

which can be substituted into Equation A.3 to find

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{y} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} - \left[ \alpha \frac{1}{k} \frac{\mathrm{d}k}{\mathrm{d}t} + \beta \frac{1}{l} \frac{\mathrm{d}l}{\mathrm{d}t} + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \frac{1}{e} \frac{\mathrm{d}e}{\mathrm{d}t} \right] . \tag{A.5}$$

Equation A.5 applies for any instant in time.

If we approximate derivatives in Equation A.5 with forward differences between times i and j, we find

$$\lambda_{i,j} = \frac{1}{y_i} \frac{y_j - y_i}{t_j - t_i} - \left[ \alpha \frac{1}{k_i} \frac{k_j - k_i}{t_j - t_i} + \beta \frac{1}{l_i} \frac{l_j - l_i}{t_j - t_i} + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \frac{1}{e_i} \frac{e_j - e_i}{t_j - t_i} \right], \tag{A.6}$$

where  $\lambda_{i,j}$  approximates the true, instantaneous value of  $\lambda$  from Equation A.5 between times i and j.

Interestingly,

$$\lambda_{1,n} \neq \sum_{i=2}^{n} \lambda_{i,i-1} . \tag{A.7}$$

Rather,

$$\lambda_{1,n} = \frac{1}{y_1} \frac{y_n - y_1}{t_n - t_1} - \left[ \alpha \frac{1}{k_1} \frac{k_n - k_1}{t_n - t_1} + \beta \frac{1}{l_1} \frac{l_n - l_1}{t_n - t_1} + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \frac{1}{e_1} \frac{e_n - e_1}{t_n - t_1} \right], \tag{A.8}$$

which will become increasingly inaccurate over large time spans, because  $y_1$ ,  $k_1$ ,  $l_1$ , and  $e_1$  will be less representative of the average value of y, k, l, and e in the time span, respectively. This suggests that an averaging approach such as

$$\lambda_{1,n} = \frac{\sum_{i=2}^{n} \lambda_{i,i-1}}{n-1} \tag{A.9}$$

is a better approximation of Equation A.8, which is, itself, an approximation of the true value of  $\lambda$  given by Equation A.5.

The fraction (f) of GDP growth explained by the Solow residual for the CD model can be given as

$$f \equiv \frac{\lambda}{\frac{1}{y}\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t}} = 1 - \frac{\alpha \frac{1}{k}\frac{\mathrm{d}k}{\mathrm{d}t} + \beta \frac{1}{l}\frac{\mathrm{d}l}{\mathrm{d}t} + (1 - \alpha - \beta)\frac{1}{e}\frac{\mathrm{d}e}{\mathrm{d}t}}{\frac{1}{y}\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t}} . \tag{A.10}$$

Using forward differences to estimate f yields

$$f_{i,j} = \frac{\lambda_{i,j}}{\frac{1}{y_i} \frac{y_j - y_i}{t_j - t_i}} = 1 - \frac{\alpha \frac{1}{k_i} \frac{k_j - k_i}{t_j - t_i} + \beta \frac{1}{l_i} \frac{l_j - l_i}{t_j - t_i} + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \frac{1}{e_i} \frac{e_j - e_i}{t_j - t_i}}{\frac{1}{y_i} \frac{y_j - y_i}{t_j - t_i}} .$$
(A.11)

Cancelling  $t_j - t_i$  terms and simplifying gives

$$f_{i,j} = 1 - \frac{\alpha \left(\frac{k_j}{k_i} - 1\right) + \beta \left(\frac{l_j}{l_i} - 1\right) + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \left(\frac{e_j}{e_i} - 1\right)}{\left(\frac{y_j}{y_i} - 1\right)}, \quad (A.12)$$

which is an estimate of the instantaneous value of f given by Equation A.10.

# Appendix B. Derivation of dynamic Solow residual for the CES equation

In this section, we derive the dynamic Solow residual  $(\lambda)$  for the CES equation with three generic factors of production, namely  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$ .

We can define

$$a \equiv \delta b^{\rho/\rho_1} + (1 - \delta) x_3^{-\rho}$$
 (B.1)

and

$$b \equiv \delta_1 x_1^{-\rho_1} + (1 - \delta_1) x_2^{-\rho_1} , \qquad (B.2)$$

such that Equation 3 can be restated as

$$y = \gamma A a^{-1/\rho} . (B.3)$$

Taking the natural logarithm of Equation B.3 and realizing that  $\gamma$  is not a function of time, we find

$$\frac{1}{y}\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{A}\frac{\mathrm{d}A}{\mathrm{d}t} + \left(-\frac{1}{\rho}\right)\frac{1}{a}\frac{\mathrm{d}a}{\mathrm{d}t} \,. \tag{B.4}$$

By Equation A.4, and after rearranging, the dynamic Solow residual for the CES equation can be stated as

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{y} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\mathrm{d}a}{\mathrm{d}t} \,. \tag{B.5}$$

To find  $\frac{da}{dt}$  and  $\frac{db}{dt}$ , we take the time derivatives of Equations B.1 and B.2 and rearrange slightly to obtain

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{da}{dt} = \delta b^{(\rho/\rho_1 - 1)} \frac{1}{\rho_1} \frac{db}{dt} - (1 - \delta) x_3^{-(\rho + 1)} \frac{dx_3}{dt}$$
 (B.6)

and

$$\frac{1}{\rho_1} \frac{\mathrm{d}b}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\delta_1 x_1^{-(\rho_1 + 1)} \frac{\mathrm{d}x_1}{\mathrm{d}t} - (1 - \delta_1) x_2^{-(\rho_1 + 1)} \frac{\mathrm{d}x_2}{\mathrm{d}t} . \tag{B.7}$$

Equations B.5–B.7 can be used to calculate a dynamic time series for  $\lambda$  given fitted parameters from the CES model  $(\rho, \rho_1, \delta, \text{ and } \delta_1)$  and time series for economic output (y) and factors of production  $(x_1, x_2, \text{ and } x_3)$ . The time derivatives  $(\frac{dy}{dt}, \frac{dx_1}{dt}, \frac{dx_2}{dt}, \text{ and } \frac{dx_3}{dt})$  can be approximated from historical data by forward finite differences in a manner similar to Equation A.6.

## Appendix C. Thoughts on the "dynamic" Solow residual

Appendix A and Appendix B derived expressions for a "dynamic" Solow residual for Cobb-Douglas and CES production functions, respectively. However, these approaches conflate stochastic error terms and the time-dependent contribution of "technology" to economic growth in one variable  $(\lambda_{i,j})$ . In this appendix, we let the Solow residual (expressed as time-independent  $\lambda$ ) stand on its own and try to separate the stochastic and time-dependent aspects of the fitting residuals  $(r_i)$ . Note: this section is speculative, and we need feedback from Marco and Randy before moving ahead with a presentation or publication based on this work.

We can re-state the models (in general) as

$$y_i = \hat{y}_i \epsilon_i \tag{C.1}$$

where  $\epsilon_i$  is a multiplicative error term,  $\hat{y}_i$  is the predicted economic output, and  $\hat{y}_i \equiv f(\theta, \lambda, \alpha, \beta, \gamma; t_i)$ . (For the Cobb-Douglas model,  $f = \theta A k^{\alpha} l^{\beta} e^{\gamma}$ .) Taking the natural logarithm (ln) of Equation C.1 yields

$$ln y_i = ln \hat{y}_i + ln \epsilon_i ,$$
(C.2)

which can be rearranged to show

$$\ln y_i - \ln \hat{y}_i = \ln \epsilon_i \ . \tag{C.3}$$

Using Equation 11, we can write

$$r_i = \ln \epsilon_i$$
 (C.4)

Our concern is that the residuals  $(r_i)$  may have a time-dependent component in addition to a stochastic component. To decompose, we can define

$$\epsilon_i = e^{m(t_i - t_0)} e^{\varepsilon_i^*} . (C.5)$$

Substituting Equation C.5 into C.4 yields

$$r_i = m(t_i - t_0) + \varepsilon_i^* . (C.6)$$

where m is a slope and captures the linear (in natural logarithmic space), time-dependent component of  $r_i$ .  $\varepsilon_i^*$  is a variable that captures a stochastic component of  $\epsilon_i$ . Equation C.6 can be fitted via linear regression in time  $(t_i)$  as

$$r_i = m(t_i - t_0) + b + \varepsilon_i^* . \tag{C.7}$$

In Equation C.7, b is the y-intercept of the regression and captures a time-independent offset of  $r_i$ . Recall that  $\epsilon_i$  is related to the fitting residuals  $(r_i)$  by Equation C.4. Thus, obtaining estimates of m and b and values for  $\varepsilon_i^*$  is equivalent to estimating the time-dependent, time-independent, and stochastic components, respectively, of the multiplicative errors  $(\epsilon_i)$ . This regression is equivalent to performing a linear fit to data in Figures 7–10.

For PT, Cobb-Douglas, unadjusted, without energy, we obtain the following:

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Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

(Intercept) -1.366e-17 1.575e-02 0 1

mod$data$iYear 3.847e-19 5.322e-04 0 1

Residual standard error: 0.0576 on 50 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 5.069e-32,Adjusted R-squared: -0.02

F-statistic: 2.535e-30 on 1 and 50 DF, p-value: 1
```

Note that the estimate for the coefficient in front of mod\$data\$iYear (m in Equation C.6) is incredibly small relative to the scale of the residuals ( $r_i$ ),  $3.8468693 \times 10^{-19}$ , indicating that there is little linear time-dependent information in the residuals ( $r_i$ ). This result is the same as saying that the slope of a line fitted through the PT, Unadjusted, Without energy data in Figure 7 is (effectively) zero. There is (effectively) no linear time trend in the residuals.

Furthermore, the intercept (b in Equation C.6) is very small relative to the scale of the residuals  $(r_i)$ ,  $-1.3658522 \times 10^{-17}$ , indicating that there is little time-independent information in the residuals  $(r_i)$ . This result is the same as saying that the line fitted to the PT, Unadjusted, Without energy data in Figure 7 is nearly coincident with the x-axis.

Almost all of the information in the residuals  $(r_i)$  is stochastic and captured by the  $\varepsilon_i^*$  term.

Perhaps Marco can help us interpret the rest of the output here (F-statistic, p-value, etc.). (An aside: what about fitting a quadratic curve, instead of a line, through the  $r_i$  values in Figure 7?)

We can compare  $r_i$  and  $\varepsilon_i^*$ , graphically, but the result is uninteresting. We would expect  $r_i$  and  $\varepsilon_i^*$  to be equal to each other by Equation C.7, because (a)  $m(t_i - t_0) \ll \max(r_i)$  for any value of  $t_i$  and (b)  $b \ll \max(r_i)$ . Indeed, Figure C.17 shows this is the case.

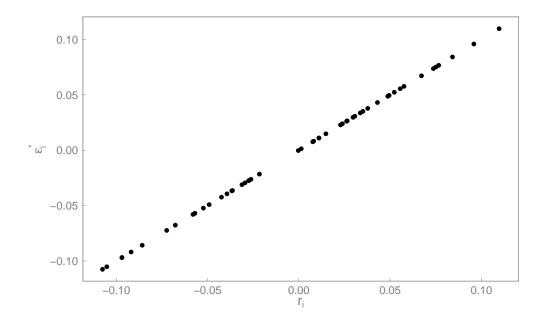


Figure C.17: Comparison between  $\varepsilon_i^*$  and  $r_i$ 

I'm not sure where this leaves us. Marco and I agreed that I would re-derive the "dynamic" Solow residual equation while properly including the multiplicative error term  $(\epsilon_i)$ . I think I have done that, but the results aren't terribly interesting. There is little (linear) time-dependent (m) or time-independent (b) information in the residuals  $(r_i)$ , as evidenced by Figures 7–10.

Perhaps there is another direction in which I should go with this analysis?

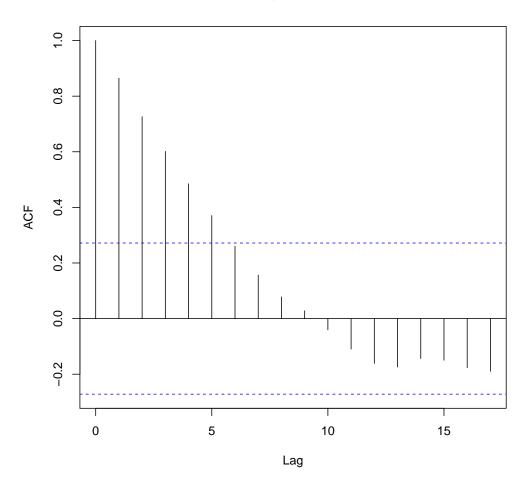
## Appendix D. Correlograms

This appendix contains correlograms for all models.

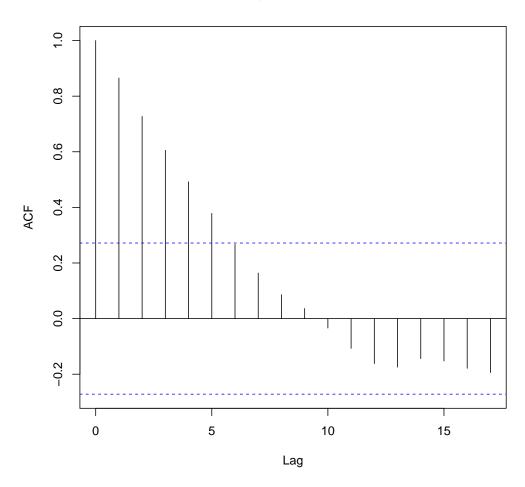
Appendix D.1. Correlograms for models respecting the cost-share theorem

In this section we present correlograms for all models that respect the cost-share theorem.

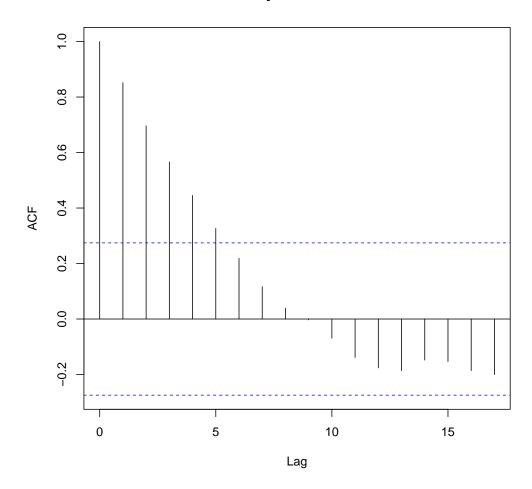
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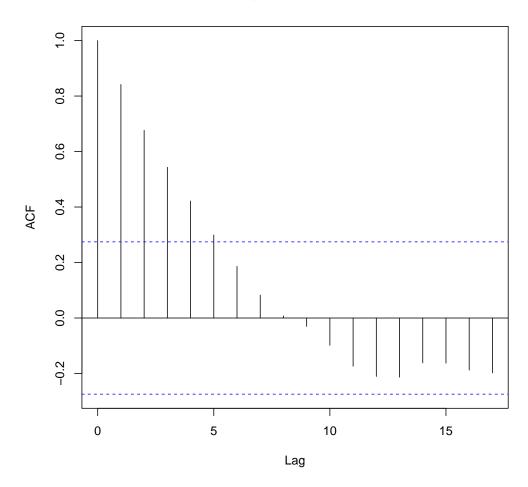
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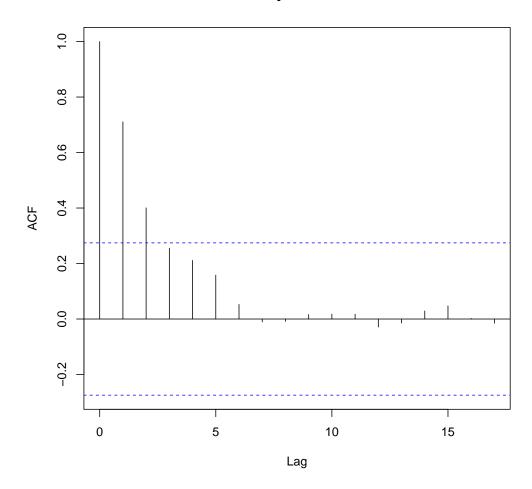
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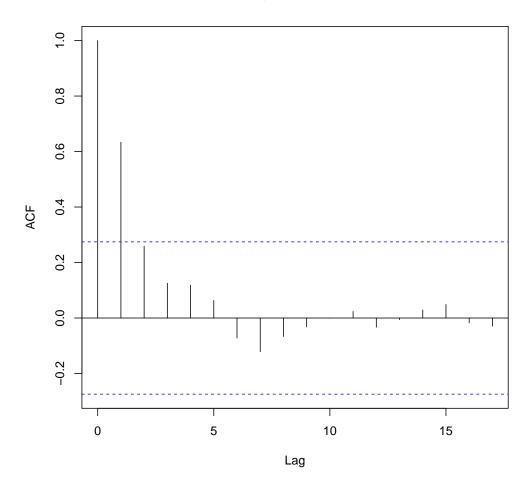
# PT.adjusted.noE.CES.kl



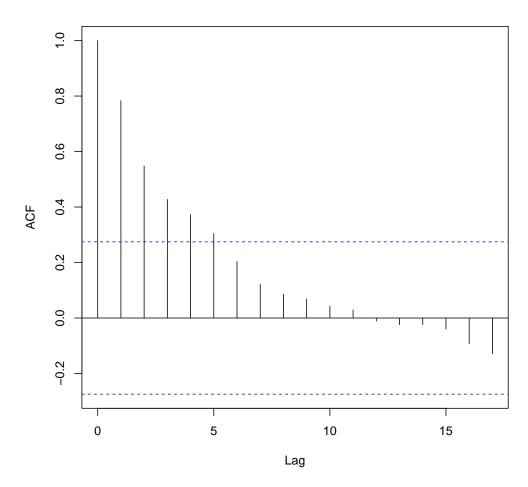
# UK.unadjusted.noE.CD



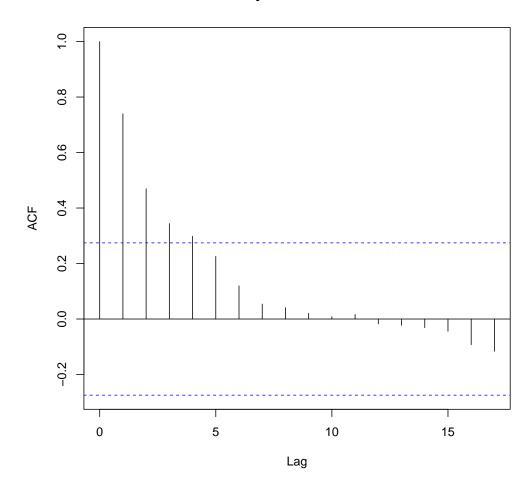
## UK.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl



## UK.adjusted.noE.CD



#### UK.adjusted.noE.CES.kl



\$PT.unadjusted.noE.CD Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag 1.000 0.865 0.726 0.601 0.485 0.371 0.260 0.157 0.078 0.028 -0.041 -0.110 -0.161 -0.174 -0.144 -0.150 -0.177 -0.190

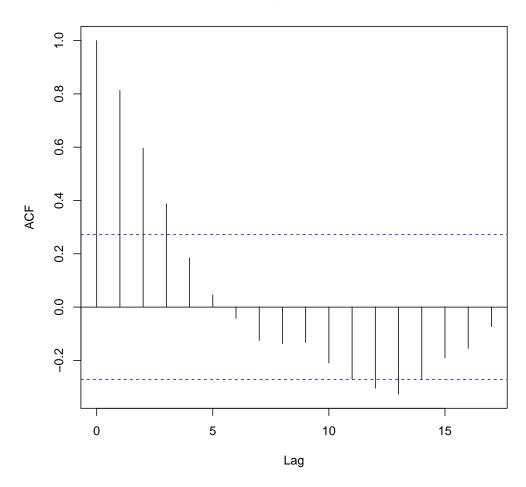
```
$PT.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                         3
                                                 7
                               4
                                     5
                                            6
 1.000 \quad 0.865 \quad 0.727 \quad 0.605 \quad 0.492 \quad 0.379 \quad 0.267 \quad 0.164 \quad 0.086 \quad 0.036
                 12
                              14
          11
                        13
                                     15
                                            16
-0.034 -0.107 -0.162 -0.175 -0.144 -0.152 -0.179 -0.194
$PT.adjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                   5 6 7
                         3
                               4
 1.000 \quad 0.852 \quad 0.696 \quad 0.566 \quad 0.445 \quad 0.326 \quad 0.219 \quad 0.116 \quad 0.039 \quad -0.003
                 12
                      13
                             14
                                    15
                                            16
-0.069 -0.139 -0.176 -0.186 -0.148 -0.154 -0.186 -0.200
$PT.adjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                 2
                       3
                               4
                                    5
                                           6 7
 1.000 0.842 0.676 0.543 0.422 0.299 0.186 0.083 0.008 -0.030
          11
                 12
                    13
                              14
                                     15
                                            16
-0.098 -0.174 -0.211 -0.213 -0.162 -0.163 -0.188 -0.198
$UK.unadjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                  2
                         3
                               4
                                      5
                                             6
                                                  7
 1.000 0.711 0.401 0.255 0.211 0.158 0.053 -0.011 -0.009 0.016
                12
                    13
                              14
                                     15
    10
          11
                                            16
                                                   17
 $UK.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl
```

```
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                      3
                                             7
                           4
                                 5
1.000 0.634
           0.259
                  0.125
                        0.119
                             0.063 -0.072 -0.121 -0.067 -0.032
   10
         11
               12
                     13
                           14
                                 15
                                      16
0.000 0.024 -0.033 -0.006
                        0.029 0.049 -0.018 -0.030
$UK.adjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
    0
                      3
                           4
                                 5
                                       6
                                             7
1.000
      0.784 0.548
                  0.427
                        0.373 0.304
                                    0.203
                                         0.123
                                               0.086 0.068
   10
         11
               12
                     13
                           14
                                15
                                      16
                                            17
$UK.adjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
    0
          1
                2
                      3
                           4
                                 5
                                       6
                                             7
1.000 0.740 0.470 0.344 0.298
                             0.226
                                   0.120 0.054 0.041 0.021
               12
                     13
                           14
   10
         11
                                 15
                                      16
                                            17
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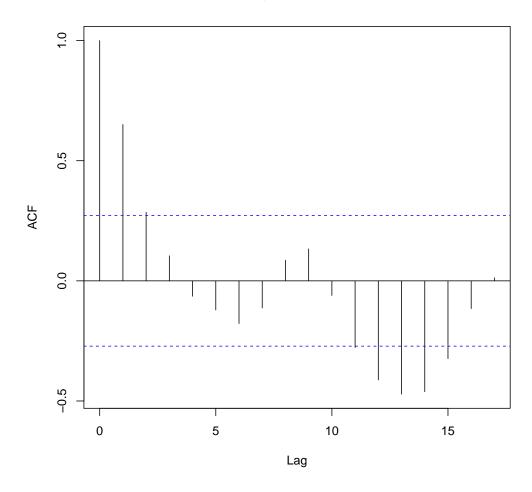
Appendix D.2. Correlograms for models reject the cost-share theorem

In this section we present correlograms for all models that do not adhere to the cost-share theorem.

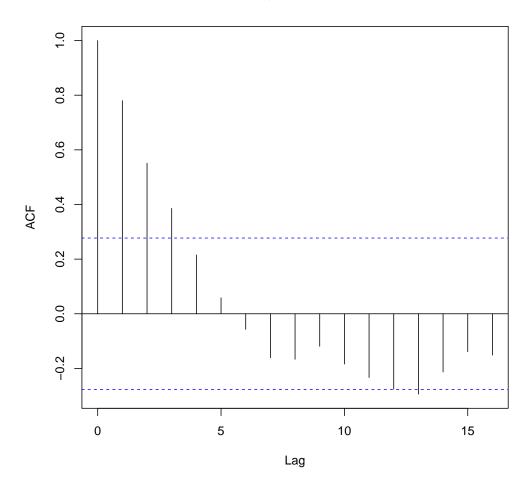
## PT.unadjusted.noE.CD



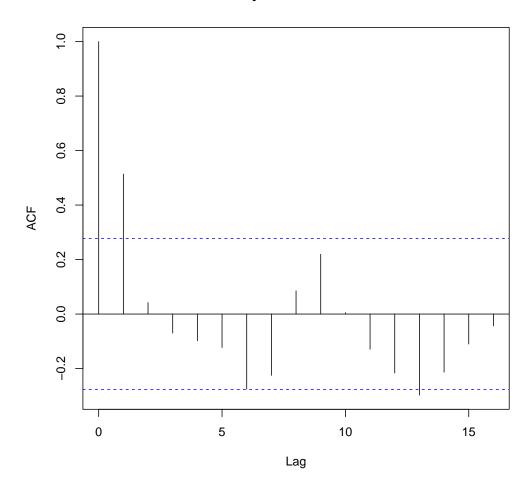
#### PT.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl



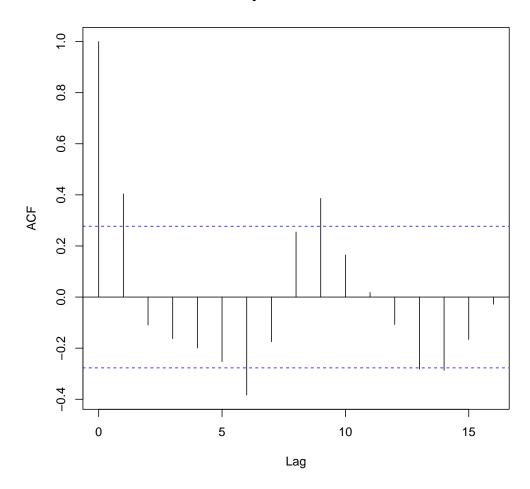
## PT.unadjusted.withE.CD



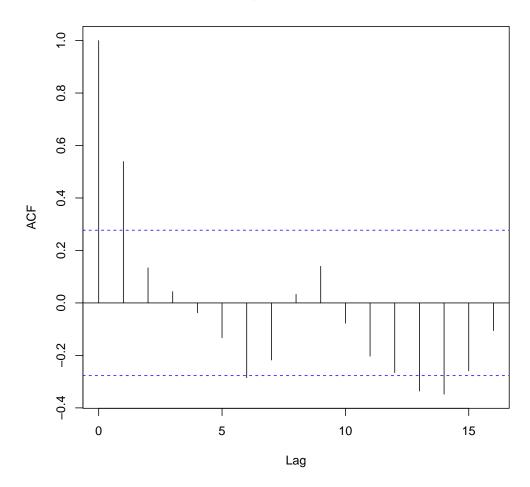
## PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.kle



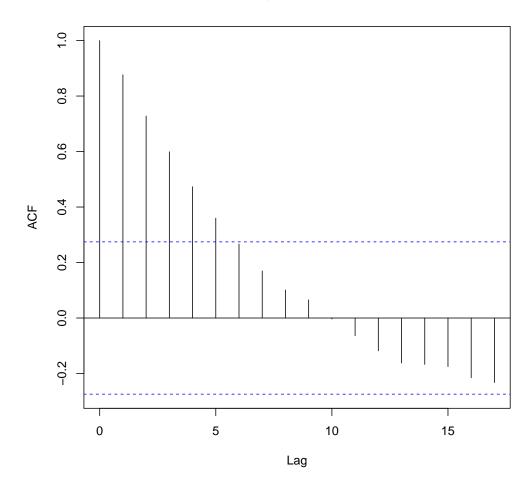
## PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.lek



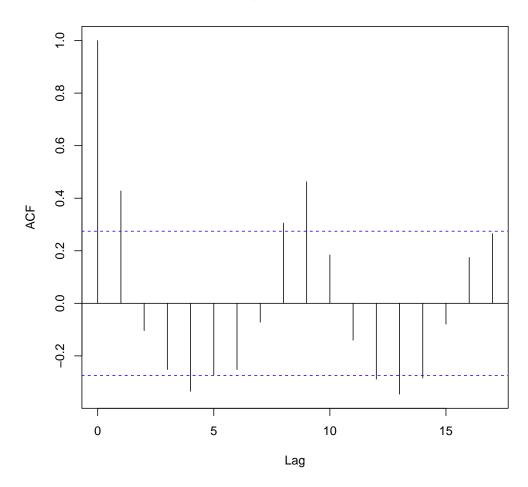
## PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.ekl



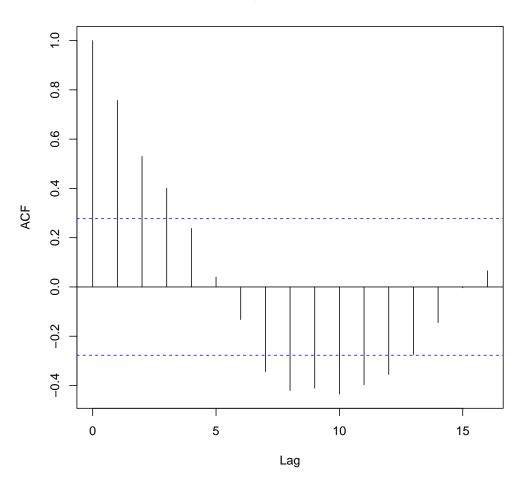
## PT.adjusted.noE.CD



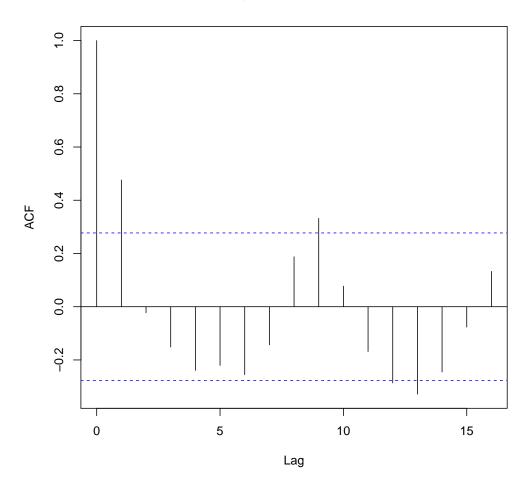
## PT.adjusted.noE.CES.kl



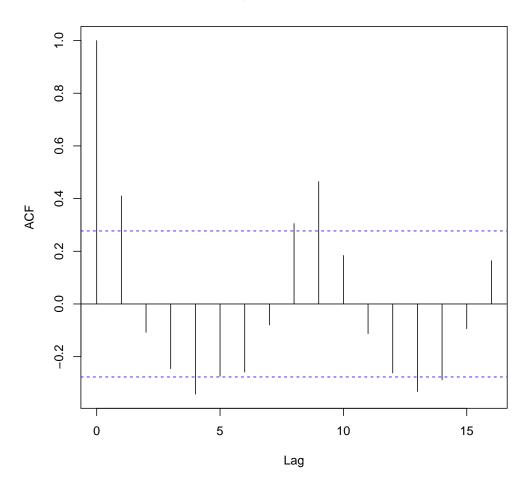
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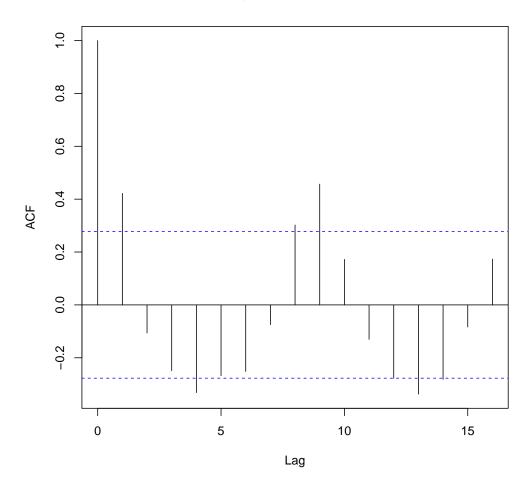
#### PT.adjusted.withE.CES.kle



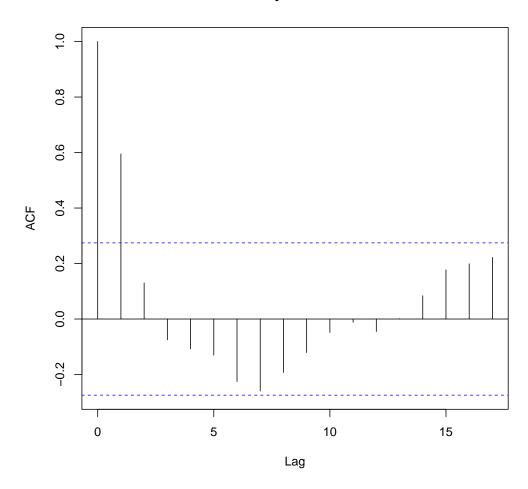
#### PT.adjusted.withE.CES.lek



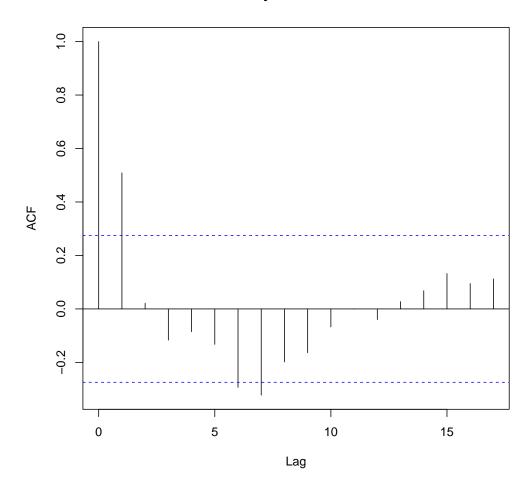
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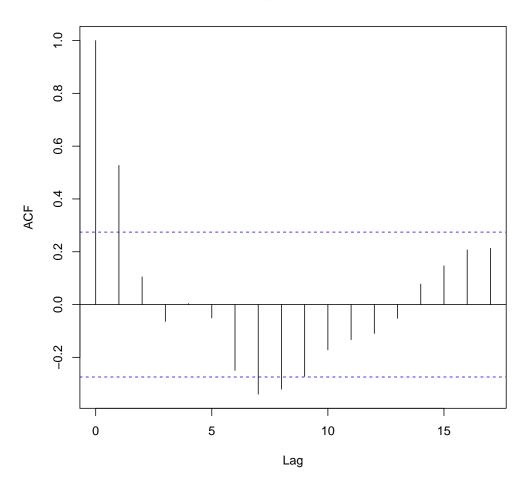
## UK.unadjusted.noE.CD



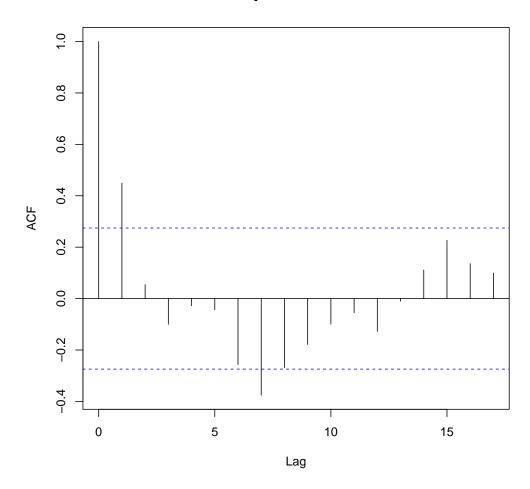
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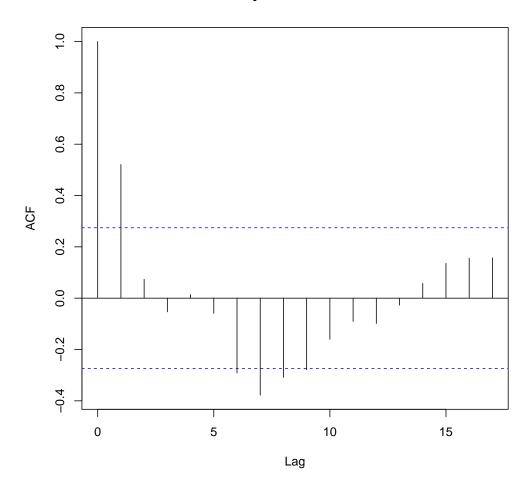
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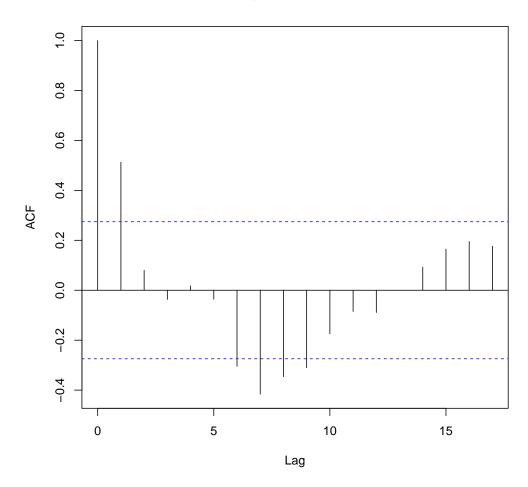
#### UK.unadjusted.withE.CES.kle



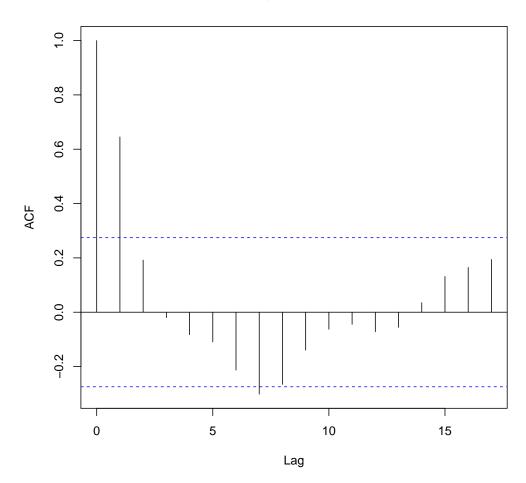
## UK.unadjusted.withE.CES.lek



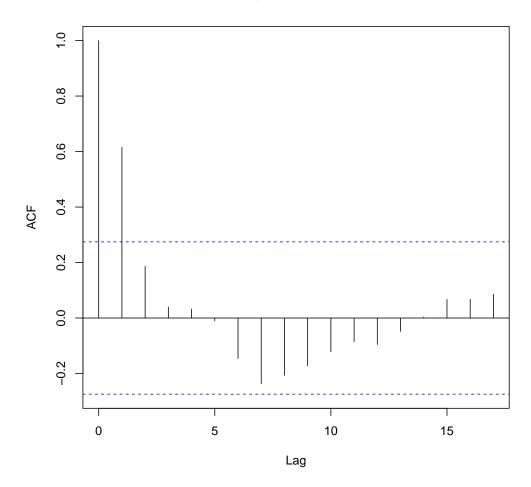
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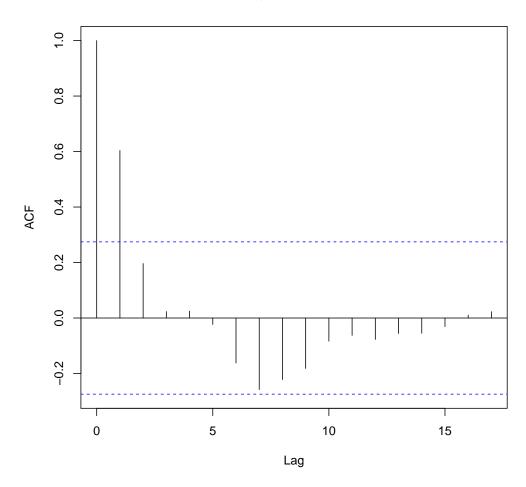
## UK.adjusted.noE.CD



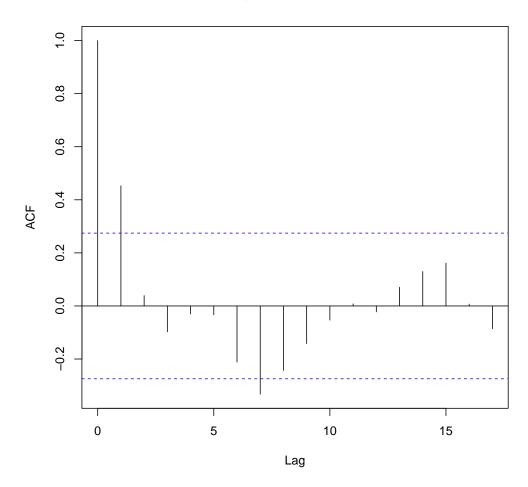
## UK.adjusted.noE.CES.kl



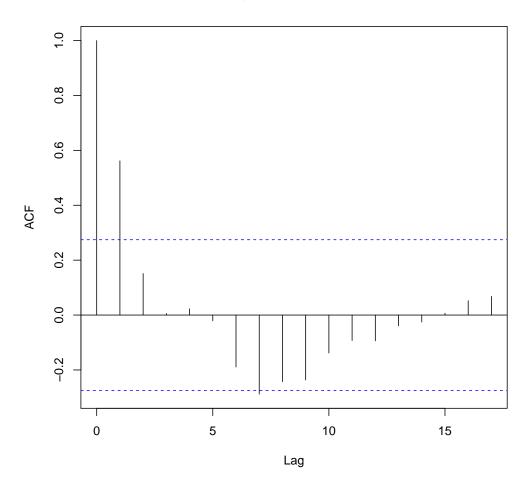
## UK.adjusted.withE.CD



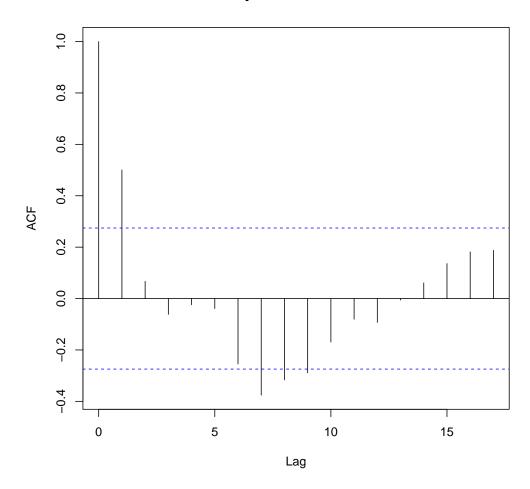
#### UK.adjusted.withE.CES.kle



#### UK.adjusted.withE.CES.lek



#### UK.adjusted.withE.CES.ekl



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$PT.unadjusted.noE.CD

Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag

0    1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9
1.000    0.813    0.597    0.388    0.185    0.045    -0.042    -0.125    -0.137    -0.133
        10    11    12    13    14    15    16    17
-0.210 -0.270 -0.304 -0.327 -0.270 -0.191 -0.155 -0.073
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```
$PT.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                       3
                             4
                                  5
                                             7 8
                                         6
 1.000 0.651 0.285 0.104 -0.064 -0.121 -0.178 -0.113 0.085 0.133
                12
                      13
                            14
                                  15
          11
                                      16
-0.061 -0.278 -0.413 -0.472 -0.461 -0.324 -0.116 0.013
$PT.unadjusted.withE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                            4 5 6 7
                       3
 1.000 \quad 0.780 \quad 0.551 \quad 0.386 \quad 0.215 \quad 0.058 \quad -0.057 \quad -0.161 \quad -0.167 \quad -0.119
                12
                     13
                           14
                                  15
-0.184 -0.233 -0.276 -0.294 -0.213 -0.139 -0.151
$PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.kle
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
          1
                2
                     3 4 5 6 7
 1.000 0.514 0.042 -0.070 -0.098 -0.123 -0.275 -0.225 0.085 0.219
                12
                     13
                            14
                                  15
          11
 0.005 -0.129 -0.217 -0.298 -0.213 -0.110 -0.043
$PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.lek
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                 2
                       3
                             4
                                   5
                                         6
                                              7
 1.000 0.404 -0.109 -0.163 -0.199 -0.253 -0.384 -0.175 0.255 0.386
              12
                   13
                           14
                                  15
   10
          11
 $PT.unadjusted.withE.CES.ekl
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Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                        3
                           4 5
                                        6
                                               7
 1.000 0.539 0.134 0.043 -0.038 -0.133 -0.285 -0.218 0.033 0.139
                 12
                       13
                             14
                                    15 16
-0.077 -0.203 -0.265 -0.336 -0.348 -0.259 -0.105
$PT.adjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                        3
                              4
                                    5
                                        6 7
 1.000 \quad 0.877 \quad 0.728 \quad 0.599 \quad 0.473 \quad 0.360 \quad 0.267 \quad 0.170 \quad 0.101 \quad 0.066
          11
                12
                    13
                              14
                                    15
                                          16
-0.004 -0.064 -0.118 -0.162 -0.167 -0.175 -0.216 -0.232
$PT.adjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
           1
                2
                       3
                              4 5 6 7
 1.000 0.428 -0.104 -0.252 -0.335 -0.273 -0.252 -0.072 0.305 0.463
         11 12 13 14 15
                                           16
 0.184 -0.140 -0.289 -0.346 -0.284 -0.079 0.175 0.265
$PT.adjusted.withE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                               7
           1
                  2
                        3
                               4
                                     5
                                         6
 1.000 \quad 0.757 \quad 0.530 \quad 0.401 \quad 0.237 \quad 0.040 \quad -0.133 \quad -0.343 \quad -0.420 \quad -0.411
          11
               12 13
                            14
                                    15 16
-0.435 -0.397 -0.355 -0.274 -0.145 -0.004 0.065
$PT.adjusted.withE.CES.kle
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
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2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 1.000 0.476 -0.023 -0.152 -0.239 -0.221 -0.255 -0.143 0.188 0.332
       11
             12
                  13
                         14
                              15
 0.077 -0.169 -0.286 -0.329 -0.245 -0.077 0.133
$PT.adjusted.withE.CES.lek
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
              2
                    3
                          4
                                5
                                      6
         1
                                            7
 1.000 0.410 -0.108 -0.246 -0.342 -0.275 -0.259 -0.080 0.305 0.465
         11
              12
                 13 14 15
 0.184 -0.113 -0.262 -0.332 -0.288 -0.094 0.165
$PT.adjusted.withE.CES.ekl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                         4
                               5
              2
                     3
                                   6 7
 1.000 0.422 -0.106 -0.249 -0.332 -0.268 -0.252 -0.075 0.302 0.457
                                15
               12
                          14
         11
                    13
 0.172 -0.130 -0.278 -0.338 -0.282 -0.084 0.173
$UK.unadjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                          7
                     3
                           4
                                5
                                   6
 1.000 0.595 0.130 -0.075 -0.107 -0.130 -0.225 -0.260 -0.193 -0.121
               12
                          14
                                15
                  13
                                      16
-0.048 -0.012 -0.045 0.001 0.084 0.177 0.199 0.222
$UK.unadjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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```
1.000 0.509 0.021 -0.117 -0.085 -0.133 -0.294 -0.323 -0.198 -0.164
                12
                   13
                           14
                                   15
                                       16 17
-0.068 -0.001 -0.040 0.027 0.068 0.132 0.095 0.112
$UK.unadjusted.withE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                 2
                        3
                              4
                                   5
                                          6
                                                7
 1.000 0.527 0.105 -0.064 0.004 -0.051 -0.249 -0.339 -0.321 -0.272
               12 13 14 15 16
         11
-0.172 -0.133 -0.109 -0.052 0.078 0.147 0.207 0.213
$UK.unadjusted.withE.CES.kle
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                       6 7
                 2.
                        3
                           4
                                   5
 1.000 0.449 0.055 -0.100 -0.028 -0.044 -0.257 -0.376 -0.268 -0.179
                12
                      13
                            14
                                   15
          11
                                         16
-0.099 -0.055 -0.128 -0.010 0.111 0.227 0.136 0.099
$UK.unadjusted.withE.CES.lek
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                             7
                        3
                              4
                                   5
                                       6
 1.000 0.521 0.074 -0.053 0.014 -0.059 -0.291 -0.378 -0.309 -0.279
         11
                12
                   13
                             14
                                    15
                                       16
-0.161 -0.091 -0.099 -0.027 0.058 0.136 0.156 0.157
$UK.unadjusted.withE.CES.ekl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                              4 5 6 7
 1.000 \quad 0.513 \quad 0.080 \quad -0.037 \quad 0.017 \quad -0.036 \quad -0.304 \quad -0.416 \quad -0.346 \quad -0.311
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
-0.174 -0.085 -0.089 0.000 0.092 0.165 0.195 0.176
$UK.adjusted.noE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                                           7 8
                   3
                         4 5
                                     6
 1.000 0.645 0.192 -0.020 -0.083 -0.109 -0.213 -0.302 -0.266 -0.140
         11
                12
                   13
                            14
                                  15
                                        16
-0.063 -0.045 -0.072 -0.056 0.035 0.132 0.165 0.194
$UK.adjusted.noE.CES.kl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                            4 5 6 7
 1.000 \quad 0.615 \quad 0.186 \quad 0.039 \quad 0.032 \quad -0.010 \quad -0.146 \quad -0.237 \quad -0.207 \quad -0.172
               12
        11
                  13
                           14
                                 15
                                       16
-0.122 -0.085 -0.096 -0.048 0.003 0.067 0.067 0.085
$UK.adjusted.withE.CD
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                2
                     3
                          4
                                5 6 7
 1.000 0.604 0.196 0.023 0.025 -0.023 -0.162 -0.258 -0.222 -0.182
       11
               12 13
                            14
                                 15
                                       16
-0.084 -0.063 -0.077 -0.056 -0.055 -0.031 0.011 0.023
$UK.adjusted.withE.CES.kle
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                2
                       3
                             4
                                  5
                                        6
                                             7
 1.000 0.453 0.039 -0.098 -0.030 -0.034 -0.212 -0.332 -0.243 -0.142
   10
         11
                12
                      13
                          14 15
                                        16
                                             17
```

```
-0.053 0.008 -0.022 0.071 0.130 0.161 0.007 -0.086
$UK.adjusted.withE.CES.lek
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                   2
                          3
                                 4
                                        5
                                                6
                                                       7
 1.000
       0.562 0.151
                      0.006
                             0.023 -0.021 -0.189 -0.288 -0.243 -0.236
           11
                  12
                         13
                                 14
                                        15
                                               16
                                                      17
-0.138 -0.093 -0.094 -0.039 -0.025 0.007 0.052 0.068
$UK.adjusted.withE.CES.ekl
Autocorrelations of series 'resid(model)', by lag
                          3
                                 4
                                                       7
                                         5
 1.000
        0.500
              0.067 -0.062 -0.024 -0.039 -0.255 -0.376 -0.316 -0.289
    10
           11
                  12
                         13
                                14
                                        15
                                               16
                                                      17
-0.169 -0.080 -0.093 -0.006 0.061 0.136 0.182 0.188
```

#### Appendix E. Statistical details on all models

In this section, we present statistical details of all models.

At the moment, this is a simple example of two models. I hope to develop a table later, after I figure out some things. Both models are CES models with energy fitted to Quality-adjusted data using the (kl)(e) nesting. In Table E.15, Model 1 is for Portugal, and Model 2 is for the UK.

Table E.15: Example output from texreg.

	Model 1	Model 2
gamma	1.027582***	0.980315***
	(0.011759)	(0.012946)
lambda	0.004508***	0.007103***
	(0.001169)	(0.001737)
delta_1	1.000000***	0.502875***
	(0.000000)	(0.036155)
delta	0.902835***	0.848488
	(0.161689)	(0.661918)
rho_1	54.581844	0.634472***
	(119.786669)	(0.138784)
rho	-1.000000	68.650078
	(6.852668)	(115.484907)
$\mathbb{R}^2$	0.997138	0.997823
Num. obs.	50	51

p < 0.001, p < 0.01, p < 0.05