

Paper Notes Template

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1 Research Question

2 Conceptual Level Theory

2.1 What — Conceptual IV and DV

2.2 How — Mechanism

2.3 Why — Fundamental frictions or motivation

3 Stylized Facts

4 Formal Model

4.1 Setup

4.2 Key Assumptions

4.3 Solution Methodology

4.3.1 Equilibrium concept

4.3.2 Numerical or analytical approach

4.4 Main Results and Intuition

4.5 Predictions

5 Empirical Identification

5.1 Identification Challenge

5.2 Methodology

5.2.1 Identification strategy

5.2.2 Data source and sample

5.2.3 Measurement

5.2.4 Fixed effects

5.3 Testable Predictions (link back to theory)

5.4 Estimation Specification

6 Main Results

6.1 Key Findings

6.2 Economic Magnitude

7 Robustness & Alternative Explanations

7.1 Additional tests or specifications