# Research Proposal: The Inheritance Tax in Germany, Pre- and Post-Notched Taxation

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## 1 Introduction

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Justify why it is interesting: bunching, is the gov aware of this? potential to increase revenue and increase efficiency

#### 1.1 Brief Overview of German Tax Scheme

Note figures, include background information

Value of the assets	Tax Class I				Tax Class II	Tax Class III		
minus the	Parnters	Children	Grandchildren	Parents	Siblings	all others		
allowance of:	307,000 €	205,000 €	51,200€	51,200€	10,300€	5,200 €		
	Tax rate with assests up to and including							
52,000€	€ :		7%		12%	17%		
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512,000€			15%		22%	29%		
5,113,000 €			19%		27%	35%		
12,783,000 €			23%		32%	41%		
25,565,000 €			27%		37%	47%		
25,565,000 €			30%		40%	50%		

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Value of the assets		Tax Class I				Tax Class III			
minus the	<b>Parnters</b>	Children	Grandchildren	Parents	Siblings	all others			
allowance of:	500,000€	400,000€	200,000 €	100,000 €	20,000 €	20,000 €			
	Tax rate with assests up to and including								
75,000 €	7%			30%	30%				
300,000€	11%			30%	30%				
600,000€	15%				30%	30%			
6,000,000€	19%			30%	30%				
13,000,000€	23%			50%	50%				
26,000,000€		27%			50%	50%			
26,000,000€			30%		50%	50%			

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Value of the assets	Tax Class I				Tax Class II	Tax Class III			
minus the	<b>Parnters</b>	Children	Grandchildren	Parents	Siblings	all others			
allowance of:	500,000€	400,000 €	200,000 €	100,000 €	20,000 €	20,000 €			
	Tax rate with assests up to and including								
75,000 €			7%		15%	30%			
300,000 €			11%		20%	30%			
600,000€			15%		25%	30%			
6,000,000 €			19%		30%	30%			
13,000,000 €			23%		35%	50%			
26,000,000 €			27%		40%	50%			
26,000,000 €			30%		43%	50%			

Figure 3: made by authors More Detail here

#### 1.2 How Do Notches Differ Than Kinks?

Cite Kleven and Slemrod

## 2 Research Question

State the question

## 3 State of the Art

More detail, paucity of research

Gaps in research? Connection to motivation. What has been done before, new data? Different approaches? Methodology for answering questions, potential methods.

#### 4 Methods

Blah, blah, blah

#### 4.1 Data

Two examples

#### 4.2 Empirical Strategy

Panel B: Empirical vs. Counterfactual Density

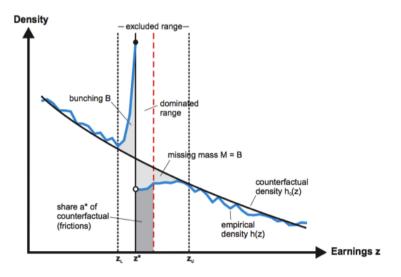


Figure 4: from Kleven Paper More Detail here

## 5 Questions and Limitations

Identify potential difficulties

## 6 Timeline: Going Forward from Here

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#### 6.1 Working Steps

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#### 6.2 Data Availability

#### 6.3 Second Best Approach

## 7 A Final Note on Reproducility

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## References

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