

Do Agglomeration Externalities Form Service Clusters? Evidence from a Location Lottery

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Do agglomeration externalities form clusters?

- Many cities have clusters of shops selling similar products.
- Why do they locate nearby even if competition intensifies?
 - ▶ Theories: positive spillovers via **agglomeration externalities** (Marshall, 1920)
 - ★ Demand: Clusters attract more customers
 - ★ Supply: Knowledge spillovers across shops
 - ▶ Empirical evidence suggesting presence of externalities (e.g. Shoag & Veuger, 2018; Benmelech et al. 2019; Nakajima & Teshima, 2020).
- Do **agglomeration externalities** across firms lead to **cluster formation**? How?

Do agglomeration externalities form clusters?

- Empirical/nontrivial question: Even in the presence of agglomeration externalities, several countervailing forces may prevent formation of clusters.
 - ▶ Agglomeration externalities (+)
 - ▶ Local competition (-)
 - ▶ Product switching costs (-)
 - ▶ Land lot/building ownership transaction costs (-)
- Policy relevance: whether proactive urban planning and zoning policies are needed for promoting efficient service agglomeration.
- Empirical challenge: observational data confounded by local amenities, infrastructure, supplier and consumer locations.

This study

- Setting: We focus on a large market building in Hanoi
 - ▶ Building hosts 1000+ apparel/fabric wholesale stores.
 - ▶ There was a fire in 1994, and the building was reconstructed and reopened (with a new layout) in 1997.
 - ▶ Store slots in the new building were allocated by a **lottery** to the store owners of the previous building.
 - ▶ Today, we observe many product clusters within the market.
- Data: We conducted a survey of shop owners
 - ▶ Current and past products, slot ownership, lottery participation, etc.

Preview of results

- While the initial slot allocation appears to be random, the clusters were formed soon and accumulated.
- Initial coincidental clusters \Rightarrow neighborhood shops selling the same products
 - ▶ Agglomeration externalities across stores \rightarrow clusters ✓
- Mechanism of product changes
 - ▶ Product switching within same store owners ✓
 - ▶ Ownership changes ✓
- Mechanism of agglomeration externality
 - ▶ Supply-side (knowledge) spillover appears to be small
 - ▶ Demand-side agglomeration (e.g. shopping externality) is a likely explanation

Literature

- ① Evidence of agglomeration externalities (in service sector): Arzaghi and Henderson (2008); Combes et al (2012); Shoag and Veuger (2018); Benmelech et al (2019); Bernstein et al. (2019); Koster et al. (2019); Nakajima and Teshima (2020); Atkin et al. (2022); Oh and Seo (2023); Baum-Snow et al (2024); Miyauchi et al. (2025)
- ② Empirical studies on cluster formation (firm location): Leonardi and Moretti (2023); Vitali (2024).
- Our contribution: Exogenous lottery-based initial allocation; causal evidence that store externalities form clusters.

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Setting: Dong Xuan Market in Hanoi

- One of the biggest wholesale markets in Hanoi (1 floor~9,000 m^2).
- 3-floors building hosting 1000+ apparel and fabric wholesale shops.
- Buyers
 - ▶ Apparel: Retail shop owners in/nearby Hanoi.
 - ▶ Fabric: Manufactures in/nearby Hanoi.

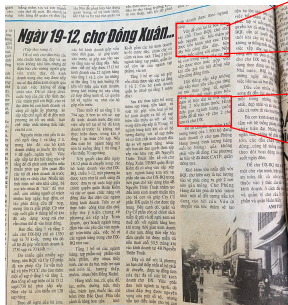


Institutional contexts

- We focus on shops in one marketplace
 - ▶ Influence of locations of other firms in the supply chain is naturally controlled.
 - ▶ There is no official area map, and search cost is high.
- Dong Xuan Corp. in charge of management of the market.
 - ▶ Collects monthly fees
 - ▶ Cleaning
 - ▶ Implements general rules/regulations
- “Ownership” (or usage right) of a slot is transferable.
 - ▶ Slot owners can transfer the “ownership” of the slot to another person and receive a transfer payment.
 - ▶ Corp does not coordinate or help finding new slot owners.

Slot assignments by lottery: History

- 1890: Market opened.
- 1994: Fire.
- 1995: Reconstruction. Shops operated in another market.
- 1996 December: Lottery to allocate slots to pre-fire shop owners.
- 1997 January: Business started in the new building.



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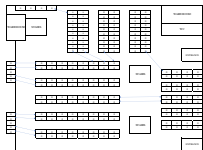
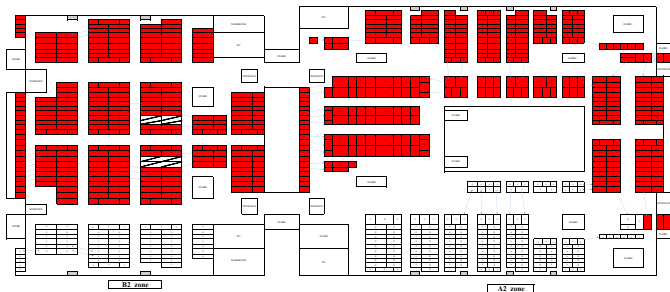
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"Lottery by apparel/fabric. Lottery on second floor first, and then third floor. Lottery was separated by corner slots and non-corner slots."

Source: Hà Nội Mới, No. 10010, 1996.

Lottery segmented by Apparel/Fabric zones

Assigned based on products sold in 1994.



As of 1997–2011

- Red: fabric zone
- White: apparel zone

By the Market Corp. regulation, slot owners were not allowed to change between apparel/fabric until 2012.

After 2012

Slot owners were allowed to change apparel/fabric.

Today, we see many product clusters (1)



Figure: Men's pants (3F)

Today, we see many product clusters (2)



Figure: Women's roomwear (2F)

Today, we see many product clusters (3)



Figure: Fabric for suits (2F)

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Surveys (2023 Sept-Oct)

- **Shop-owner survey** (response rate 73.8%).
 - ▶ In-person interviews of shop owners
 - ▶ Slot ownership, lottery participation, current/past products (**1994**, 1997-), business performance, etc.
- Photos of products as of 2023 (all slots)
- Neighborhood survey (non-missing slots = 91%)
 - ▶ In slots where owners have changed: difficult to know products in 1997 and 2010 from store owners
 - ▶ Ask about products sold in 1997 and 2010 from the neighboring shop owners

Product type codes (61 products)

A1: 0-18 months | baby

A2: 1.5-5 years | girl

A3: 1.5-5 years | boy

A4: 6-14 years | girl

A5: 6-14 years | boy

B1.1: T-shirt for young ladies

B1.2: Blouse/Shirts for young ladies

B1.3: Sweaters for young ladies

B1.4: Other tops for young ladies

B1.5: Pants for young ladies (other than suits)

B1.6: Jeans for young ladies

B1.7: Other pants for young ladies

B1.8: Skirts for young ladies (other than suits)

B1.9: Dress/One-piece for young ladies

B1.10: Jacket/coat for young ladies

B1.11: Roomwear for young ladies

B2.1: T-shirt for middle-aged ladies

B2.2: Blouse/Shirts for middle-aged ladies

B2.3: Sweaters for middle-aged ladies

B2.4: Other tops for middle-aged ladies

B2.5: Pants for middle-aged ladies

B2.6: Jeans for middle-aged ladies

B2.7: Other pants for middle-aged ladies

B2.8: Skirts for middle-aged ladies

B2.9: Dress/One-piece/Roomwear for middle-aged ladies

B2.10: Jacket/coat for young ladies

B3: Underwear for women

B4: Ao Dai for women

B5: Formal suits for women

B6: Sunscreen coat for women

B7: Sports clothes for women

B8: Mitten/scarf for women

D1: T-shirt for men

D2: Shirts for men

D3: Sweaters for men

D4: Other tops for men

D5: Pants for men (other than suits)

D6: Jeans for men

D7: Shorts for men

D8: Other pants for men

D9: Underwear for men

D10: Jacket/coat for men

D11: Formal suits for men

D12: Sports clothes for men

D13: Mitten/scarf for men

F1.1: Fabrics for men's shirts

F1.2: Fabrics for men's pants/suit (other than jeans)

F2.1: Fabrics for women's blouse/shirts

F2.2: Fabrics for women's pants/suit (other than jeans)

F2.3: Fabrics for women's dress

F2.4: Fabrics for women's roomwear

F2.5: Fabrics for Ao Dai and traditional formal wear

F3: Fabrics for jeans

F4: Fabrics for students' uniform

F5: Fabrics for soldiers' uniform

F6: Fabrics for curtain

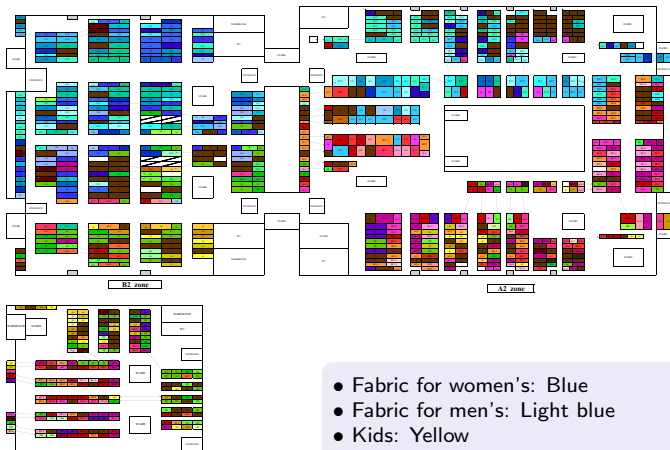
F7: Fabrics for bedding

F8: Lining fabrics

F10: Fabrics for worker cloth (excluding office cloth)

F11: Fabrics for others

Map of main products in 2023



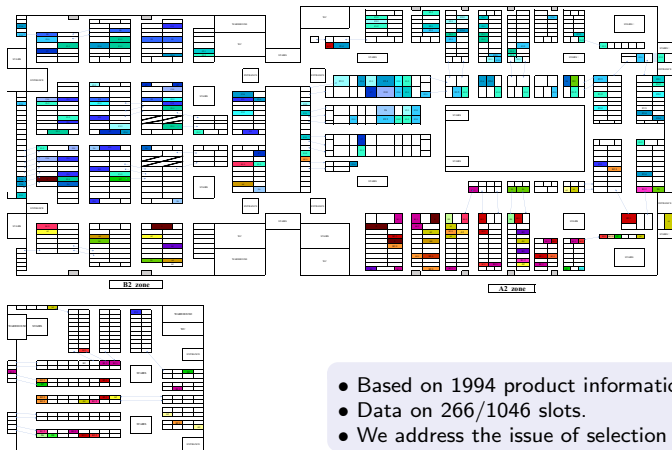
1997

2010

2023 winter

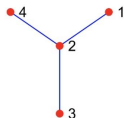
Remark

Lottery assignment



2023 (nonmiss in 1994 only)

Measuring distance between a pair of slots



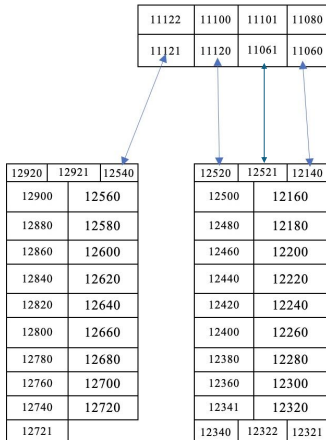
Adjacency list

Vertex	Neighbor(s)
1	2
2	1 3 4
3	2
4	2

Adjacency matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Distance matrix

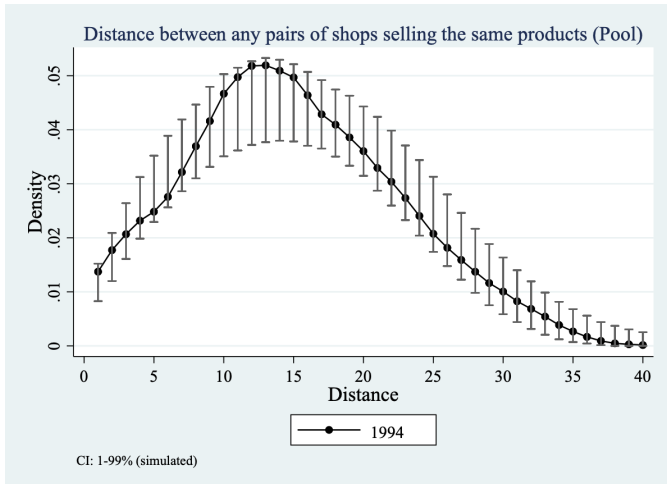
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Initial distance b/w slots selling same product

CI obtained by simulating the lottery for 1000 times

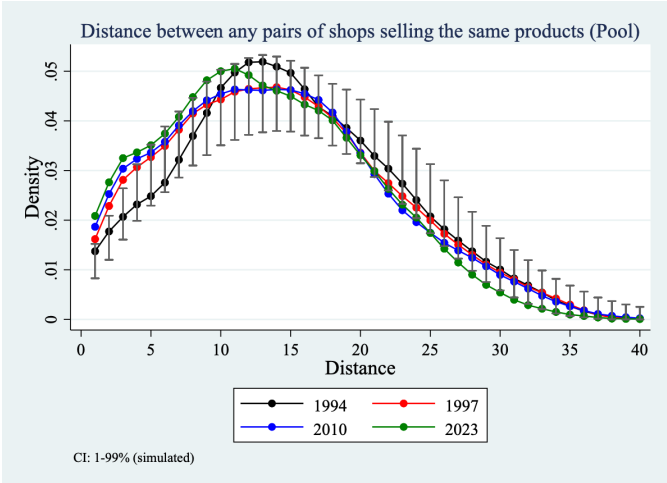
Simulation procedure

No exclusion



Distance b/w slots selling same product

CI obtained by simulating the lottery for 1000 times. No restriction



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Empirical specification

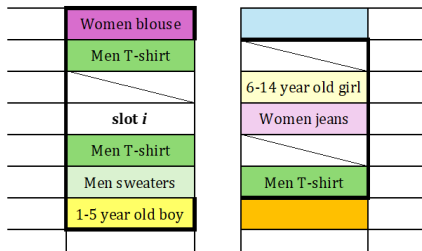
We examine the effect of “initial products” of the neighbors on cluster formation.

Pooling slots (i) and products (k); fixing year (t):

$$\text{Prod}_{i,k}^t = \beta^t \text{ProdNeig}_{i,k}^{1994} + \text{StrataProdFE}_{i,k} + \alpha_i + \varepsilon_{i,k}^t$$

- $\text{Prod}_{i,k}^t = 1$ if slot i sells product k in year t ; 0 otherwise.
- $\text{ProdNeig}_{i,k}^{1994}$: share of i 's neighbors who sold k pre-lottery.
 - ▶ Defining neighbors by a m -step neighbor ($m=2, \dots, 9$)
- $\text{StrataProdFE}_{i,k}$: lottery segment FE \times product FE.
- α_i : slot FE
- SEs clustered at slot level in baseline (results are robust when spatial cluster is used).

Illustration of $ProdNeig_{i,k}^{1994}$ construction



Share of 3-step neighbors

selling Men T-shirt = $3/8$

selling Men sweaters = $1/8$

selling Women jeans = $1/8$

selling Women blouse = $1/8$

selling 1-5 year old boy = $1/8$

selling 6-14 year old girl = $1/8$

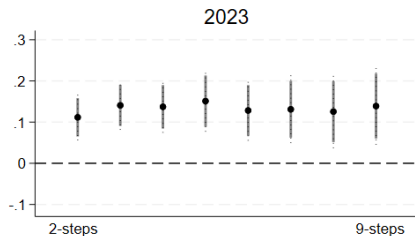
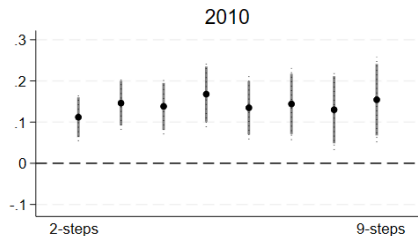
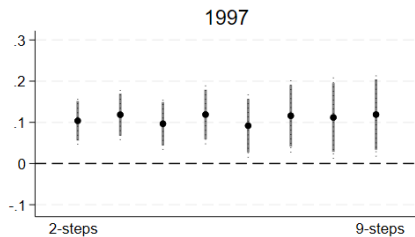
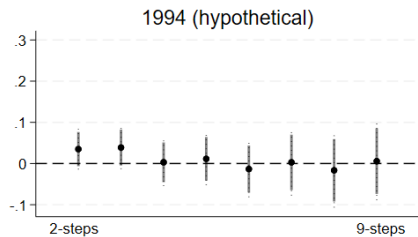
Effect of initial coincidental agglomeration

3-step neighbors

	(1) 1994 product	(2) 1997 product	(3) 2010 product	(4) 2023 product
<i>Panel A: Using sample of slots with non-missing 1994 info</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994	0.038 (0.026)	0.119*** (0.031)	0.147*** (0.033)	0.141*** (0.030)
Observations	11592	11546	11546	11592
<i>Panel B: Using sample of all available slots with info in each year</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994		0.100*** (0.016)	0.118*** (0.015)	0.099*** (0.013)
Observations		37996	41722	42596

Effect of initial coincidental agglomeration

Balanced-panel sample.



NonMissNeig x Prod(large cat) FE

Excl eroded area

Ring plot

Checks on possible sample selection biases

- What basic slot features predict non-missing? Result
 - ▶ Average distance to other slots, fabric-area slots - No
 - ▶ Corner slots, 2nd floor slots - Yes.
 - ★ We control for corner-slot FE \times floor FE \times product FE in empirical specification (as part of control for lottery segment).
- Observing coincidental agglomeration of k sellers in neighbor does not predict higher chance of observing product k seller (as of 1994 product).
 - ▶ If coincidental agglomeration of product k sellers in neighbor helps survival of product k sellers, we should observe correlation.
- Observing coincidental agglomeration of a product (vs. mixture of various products) in neighbor does not predict more/less missing. Result

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Product switching vs. ownership changes

Total effect (to be decomposed)

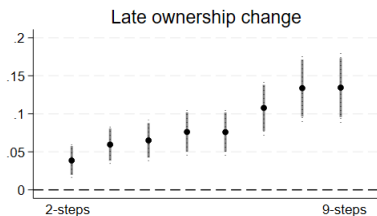
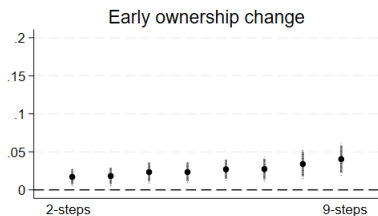
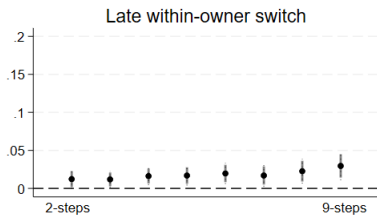
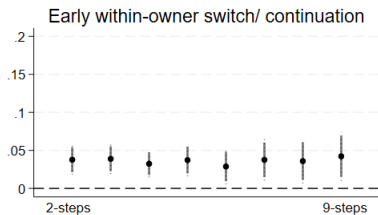
$$\text{Total}_{i,k} = \beta \text{ProdNeig}_{i,k}^{1994} + \text{Controls}_{i,k} + \varepsilon_{i,k}$$

where $\text{Total}_{i,k} = 1$ if product k is sold at slot i in **any year** between 1997–2023; 0 otherwise. Include slots missing 1994 product info.

Decompose $\text{Total}_{i,k}$ into mutually exclusive 4 cases:

- 1 (Early within-owner switch/continuation) Product k is sold at slot i in 1997 by the lottery-assigned owner
- 2 (Late within-owner switch) Product k is newly introduced at slot i in 1998–2023 by the lottery-assigned owner
- 3 (Early ownership change) Product k is sold at slot i in 1997 by a new owner
- 4 (Late ownership change) Product k is sold at slot i in 1998–2023 by a new owner

Product switching vs. ownership changes



Adjacent owner

Within-slot changes

Mechanism of agglomeration externalities

Positive agglomeration externalities can exist broadly in two channels

- **Demand-side:** clusters attract more customers
 - ▶ Lower price (Dudey 1990)
 - ▶ Product variety (Wolinsky 1983; Fischer and Harrington, 1996; Konishi 2005; Takahashi, 2013; Nakajima & Teshima, 2019)
 - ▶ Chain shopping (Miyauchi et al. 2025; Oh & Seo 2023)
- **Supply-side:** knowledge spillovers across firms in clusters (Arzaghi and Henderson, 2008; Atkin et al. 2022; Chaurey et al. 2025)
 - ▶ Learning which products have higher demand
 - ▶ Learning about input sources

Idea for empirical strategy

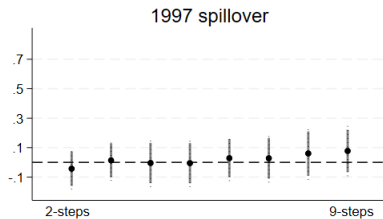
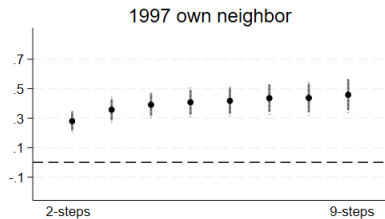
- Some owners own multiple slots, say, slots A and B.
- If supply-side spillover exists, products of slot A's neighbors should affect products sold at B (as well as those sold at A).

Examine spillover across slots within owners

$$\text{Prod}_{i,j,k}^t = \beta_1 \text{ProdNeig}_{i,j,k}^t + \beta_2 \text{ProdNeig}_{-i,j,k}^t + \text{Control}_{i,j,k} + \varepsilon_{i,j,k}$$

We observe only few multiple-slots owners with 1994 info, but we observe more of such owners in later years. [Summary stats](#)

→ Use 1997 product & ownership of neighbors (correlational evidence but biases are likely to be positive)



Conclusion

- Causal evidence: service clusters emerge from store-to-store externalities.
 - ▶ Initial coincidental clusters \Rightarrow neighborhood shops selling the same products
- Mechanisms:
 - ▶ Product switching + slot transfers, both at play.
 - ▶ Demand-side agglomeration force.
- Policy implications
 - ▶ Agglomeration force is strong enough to self-form service clusters.
 - ▶ Strict zoning policies could be detrimental.
- Next steps
 - ▶ Buyer survey (to explore demand-side mechanisms)
 - ▶ Tracking survey of past owners (to add more 1994 product data)

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5 Appendix

Lottery segmented by 3 slot positions

- Best corner = corner slots facing the main corridor
- Second best corner = corner slots not facing main corridor

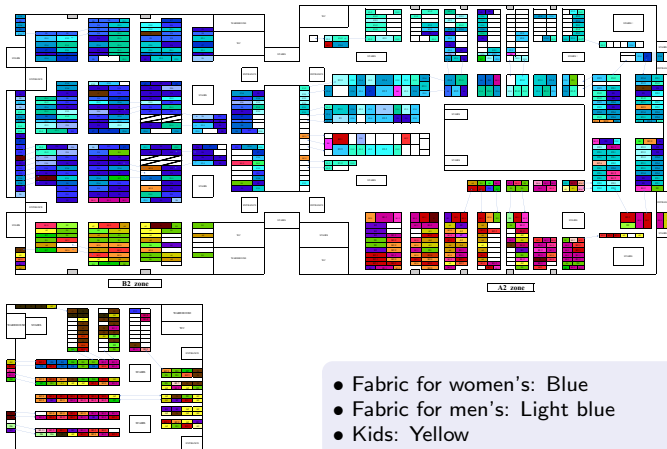
Assigned based on slot position in 1994.



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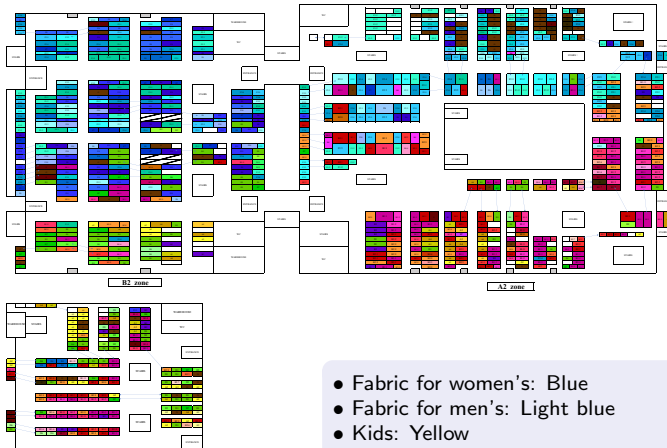
- For illustration, we colored the map by the main product type.
- In reality, shops have multiple product types.
- Mean # of product type
 - ▶ 1.60 in 1994
 - ▶ 1.53 in 1997
 - ▶ 1.52 in 2010
 - ▶ 1.53 in 2023
- We run slot $(i) \times$ product type (k) -level regression.

Map of main products in 1997



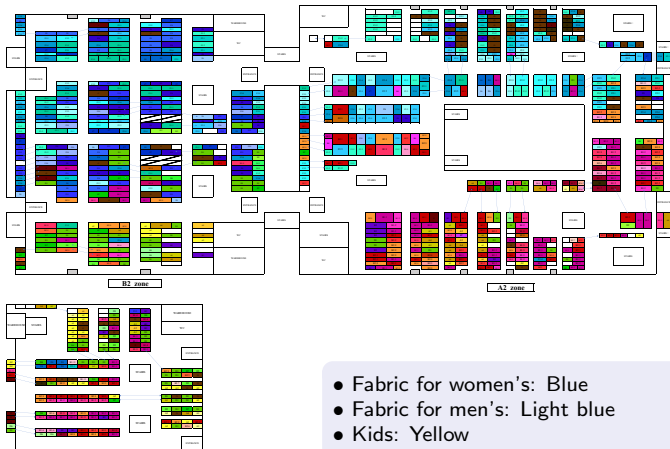
- Fabric for women's: Blue
- Fabric for men's: Light blue
- Kids: Yellow
- Young women's: Pink
- Mid-aged women's: Orange
- Men's: Green
- Warehouse/closed: Brown

Map of main products in 2010



- Fabric for women's: Blue
- Fabric for men's: Light blue
- Kids: Yellow
- Young women's: Pink
- Mid-aged women's: Orange
- Men's: Green
- Warehouse/closed: Brown

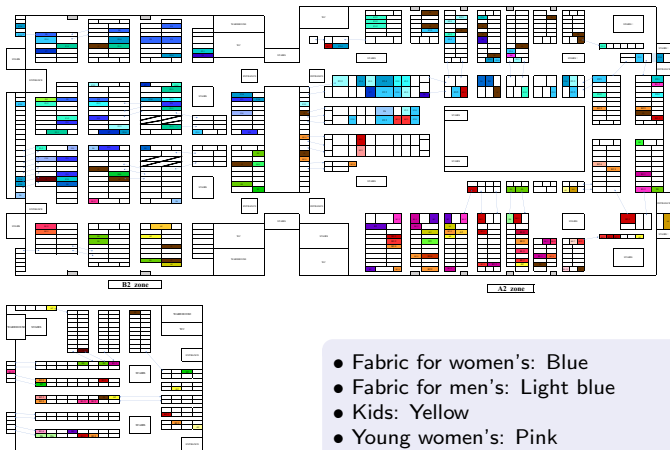
Map of main products in 2023 winter



- Fabric for women's: Blue
- Fabric for men's: Light blue
- Kids: Yellow
- Young women's: Pink
- Mid-aged women's: Orange
- Men's: Green
- Warehouse/closed: Brown

Map of main products in 2023

Slots with non-missing 1994 product info only



Fabric-area slots converted by apparel

Fabric area
(1997-2011)

↓ deregulation
(2012)

2023

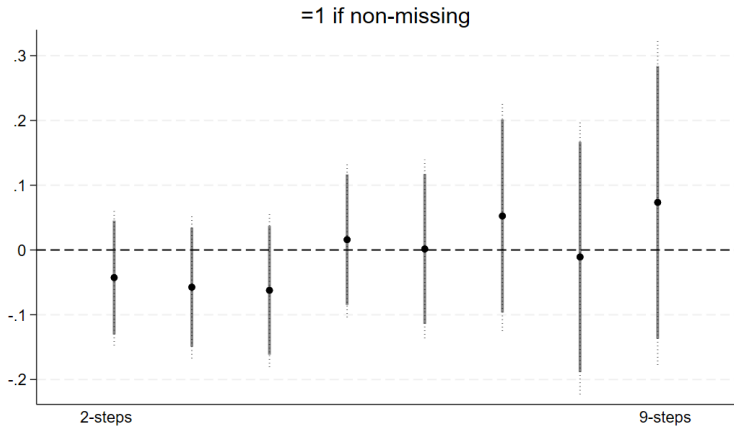
- Fabric (for men's; for women's; for others')
- Kids
- Young women's
- Mid-aged women's
- Men's
- Warehouse/closed



Sample selection check

	Non-missing 1994 information		
Best corner slot	0.156*** (0.033)	0.156*** (0.033)	0.158*** (0.033)
Second-best corner slot	0.040 (0.042)	0.039 (0.042)	0.048 (0.042)
Fabric area	-0.017 (0.033)	-0.012 (0.035)	0.019 (0.037)
3F	-0.133*** (0.037)	-0.119** (0.051)	-0.108** (0.050)
Average distance to other slots		0.001 (0.002)	0.001 (0.002)
Fabric area slot eroded by apparel			-0.104*** (0.037)
Observations	1046	1046	1046
Mean	0.229	0.229	0.229

Sample selection check (cont.)



Procedures for simulation to estimate CI

Following Duranton & Overman (2005) and Nakajima & Teshima (2019).

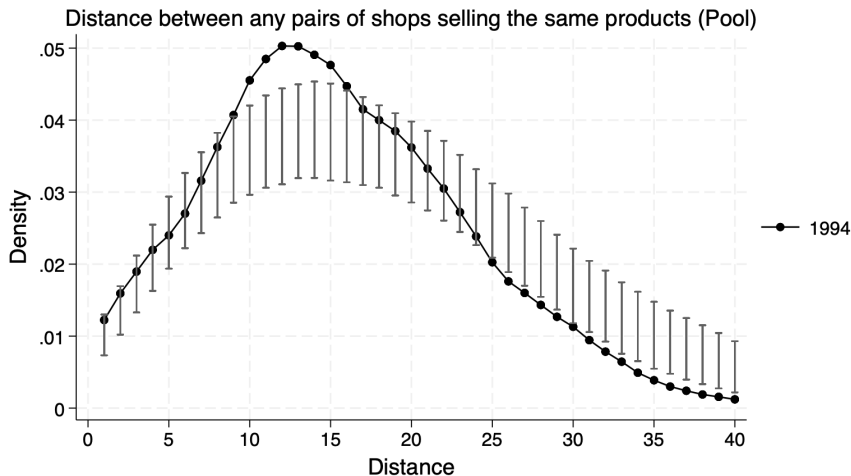
In each lottery segment h (floors \times fabric/apparel \times 3 slot ranks):

- Identify the set of firms that sold product k in 1994 and obtained a slot in this segment by the lottery: $n_{k,h}$ firms
- S_h : set of all possible slots in this segment
 - ▶ Include slots where 1994 product info of the owner is missing.
 - ▶ Adjustment: Exclude slots in fabric area converted to apparel by 2023. [Map](#) [Sample selection](#)

Simulation: 1000 times

- At each simulation
 - ▶ Randomly assign $n_{k,h}$ firms to S_h for each segment h .
 - ▶ Using simulated firm-slot matches from all h , estimate distance distribution (kernel density over distance $d=1,\dots,40$.)
- For each d , take 1 and 99 percentile of simulated density. [Back](#)

Initial distance: CI simulated with no restriction areas



CI: 1-99% (simulated)

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CI: 1-99% (simulated)

Summary statistics (balanced-panel sample)

Slots with non-missing 1994 prod info, prod observed in 1994 only

	count	mean	min	max
=1 if slot i sells product k in 1994	12098	0.029	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 1997	12006	0.029	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 2010	12052	0.028	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 2023	12098	0.026	0	1
=1 if slot is best corner	12098	0.35	0	1
=1 if slot is second best corner	12098	0.15	0	1
=1 if slot i is in fabric zone	12098	0.63	0	1
=1 if slot i is on the third floor	12098	0.11	0	1
Share of 2-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	10534	0.029	0	1
Share of 3-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	11592	0.027	0	1
Share of 6-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	12052	0.028	0	1
Share of 9-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	12098	0.029	0	1
Number of 2-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	2.02	0	6
Number of 3-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	3.36	0	10
Number of 6-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	8.49	0	22
Number of 9-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	15.9	1	39

Summary statistics (all available sample)

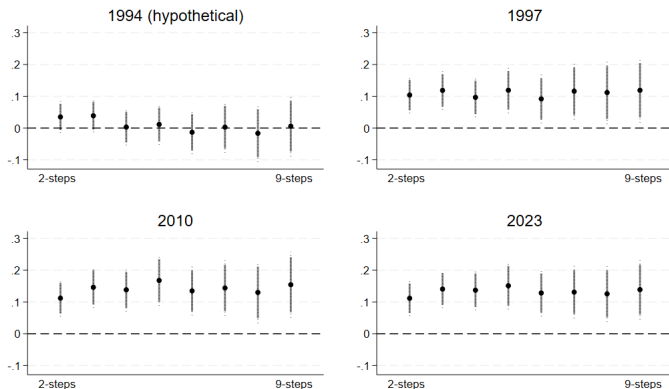
Including slots with prod info in 1997-2023, all products.

	count	mean	min	max
=1 if slot i sells product k in 1994	16043	0.022	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 1997	53924	0.024	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 2010	61305	0.021	0	1
=1 if slot i sells product k in 2023	63074	0.019	0	1
=1 if slot is best corner	63806	0.24	0	1
=1 if slot is second best corner	63806	0.13	0	1
=1 if slot i is in fabric zone	63806	0.59	0	1
=1 if slot i is on the third floor	63806	0.19	0	1
Share of 2-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	49288	0.022	0	1
Share of 3-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	57157	0.022	0	1
Share of 6-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	63379	0.022	0	1
Share of 9-step neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	63806	0.022	0	1
Number of 2-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	63806	1.68	0	7
Number of 3-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	63806	2.85	0	11
Number of 6-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	63806	7.79	0	23
Number of 9-step neighbors with pre-lottery product info	63806	15.0	1	41

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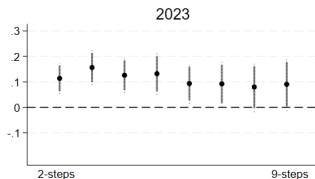
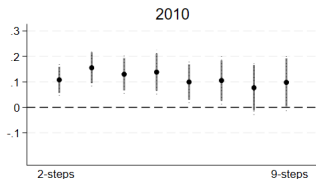
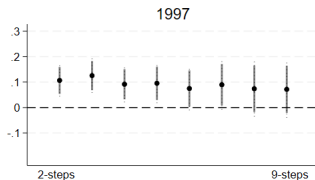
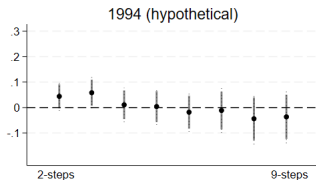
Effect of initial coincidental agglom.: robustness

- Add the interactions of the # of neighbor slots with non-missing 1994 info and the largely categorized product FE.
- Control for potential effects of firm closures happening more in certain products that have lower demand.



Effect of initial coincidental agglom.: robustness

- Excluding areas initially designated as fabric zone but converted to apparel



Effect of initial coincidental agglom.: Winter prod

3-step neighbors

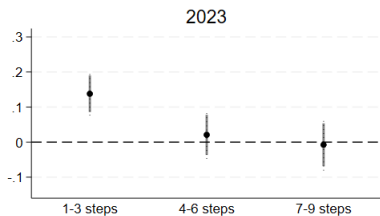
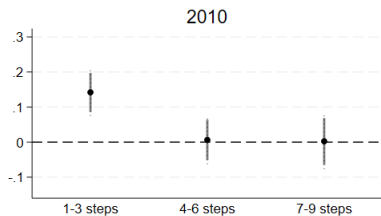
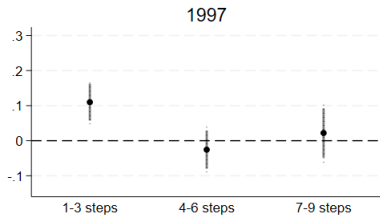
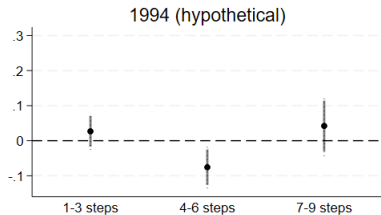
	(1) 1994 product	(2) 1997 product	(3) 2010 product	(4) 2023 product
<i>Panel A: Using sample of slots with non-missing 1994 info</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994	0.038 (0.026)	0.104*** (0.030)	0.123*** (0.031)	0.116*** (0.029)
Observations	11592	11546	11546	11592
<i>Panel B: Using sample of all available slots with info in each year</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994		0.094*** (0.015)	0.104*** (0.014)	0.088*** (0.013)
Observations		38778	41676	40802

Effect of initial coincidental agglom.: Spatial cluster

3-step neighbors

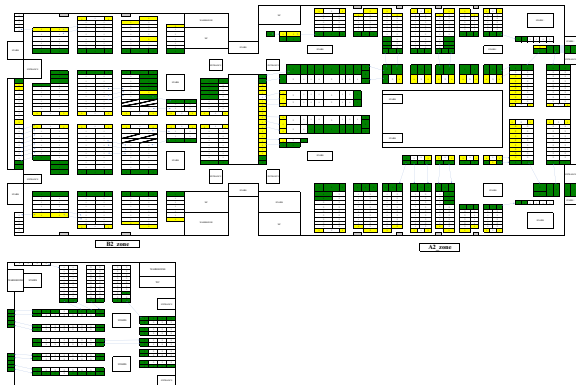
	(1) 1994 product	(2) 1997 product	(3) 2010 product	(4) 2023 product
<i>Panel A: Using sample of slots with non-missing 1994 info</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994	0.039 (0.024)	0.118*** (0.028)	0.146*** (0.030)	0.141*** (0.028)
Observations	15372	15311	15311	15372
<i>Panel B: Using sample of all available slots with info in each year</i>				
Share of neighbors selling k in 1994		0.100*** (0.015)	0.117*** (0.014)	0.099*** (0.012)
Observations		50386	55327	56486

Non-cumulative rings

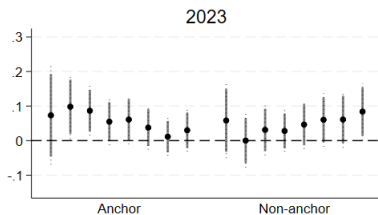
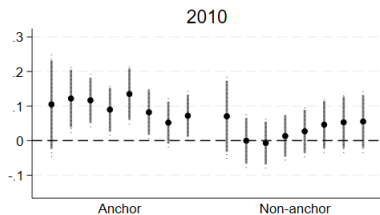
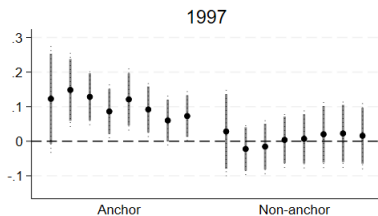
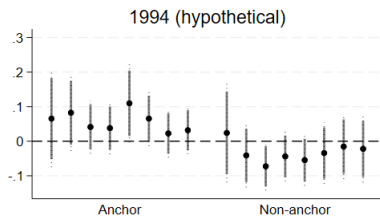


Effects of leading shops

- Corner slots: visible, influential, likely high-performing store owners pre-lottery.
- Anchor store theory (Konishi, 2005)
- Dedicated corner-slot lottery identifies exogenous anchors.
- Stronger effects by anchors?



Effect of initial coincidental agglomeration: by anchor/non-anchor



Summary statistics by anchor/non-anchor

Slots with available pre-lottery info only

	count	mean	min	max
Share of 2-step anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	5290	0.028	0	1
Share of 3-step anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	6670	0.027	0	1
Share of 6-step anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	9108	0.027	0	1
Share of 9-step anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	11270	0.027	0	1
Number of 2-step anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	0.82	0	6
Number of 3-step anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	1.36	0	6
Number of 6-step anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	3.34	0	11
Number of 9-step anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	6.05	0	18
Share of 2-step non-anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	7682	0.030	0	1
Share of 3-step non-anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	9154	0.029	0	1
Share of 6-step non-anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	11592	0.030	0	1
Share of 9-step non-anchor neighbors selling product k pre-lottery	12098	0.030	0	1
Number of 2-step non-anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	1.20	0	6
Number of 3-step non-anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	2.00	0	10
Number of 6-step non-anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	5.15	0	22
Number of 9-step non-anchor neighbors with pre-lottery product info	12098	9.87	1	33

Summary statistics for product switch

	count	mean
=1 if slot i added product k that was unsold pre-lottery by year 1997	16043	0.0060
=1 if slot i added product k that was unsold pre-lottery by year 2010	16043	0.0072
=1 if slot i added product k that was unsold pre-lottery by year 2023	16043	0.0079
=1 if slot i continued product k that was sold pre-lottery in year 1997	16043	0.016
=1 if slot i continued product k that was sold pre-lottery in year 2010	16043	0.014
=1 if slot i continued product k that was sold pre-lottery in year 2023	16043	0.011
=1 if slot i dropped product k that was sold pre-lottery by year 1997	16043	0.0053
=1 if slot i dropped product k that was sold pre-lottery by year 2010	16043	0.0069
=1 if slot i dropped product k that was sold pre-lottery by year 2023	16043	0.0098

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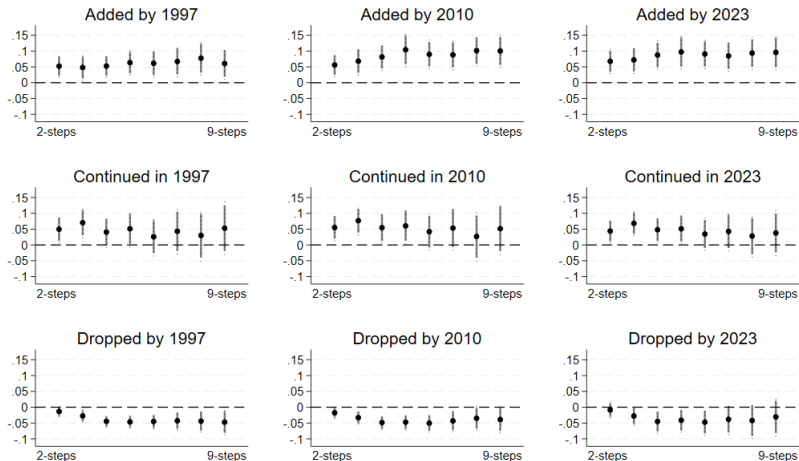
Decomposition

Decompose $\text{Total}_{i,k}$ into mutually exclusive 4 cases:

- ① (Early within-owner switch/continuation) Product k is sold at slot i in 1997 by the lottery-assigned owner
- ② (Late within-owner switch) Product k is newly introduced at slot i in 1998-2023 by the lottery-assigned owner
- ③ (Early ownership change) Product k is sold at slot i in 1997 by a new owner
- ④ (Late ownership change) Product k is sold at slot i in 1998-2023 by a new owner

Product switching within owners

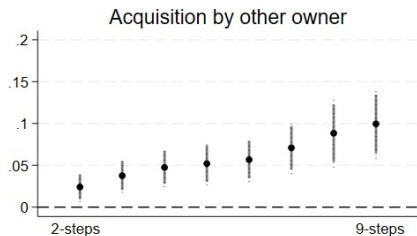
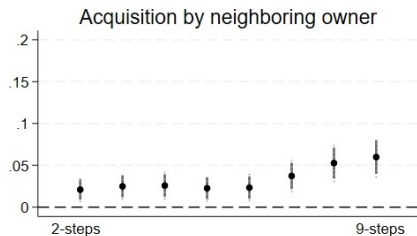
Added/continued/dropped compared to product set in 1994



Acquisition by adjacent owners

We combine Early ownership transfer and Late ownership transfer and then decompose them into:

- 1 **Acquisition by neighboring owners:** product k sold in 1997-2023 by a new owner who acquired the slot and who also held an adjacent slot obtained through the lottery;
- 2 **Acquisition by other owner:** product k sold in 1997-2023 by a new owner who acquired the slot but did not hold an adjacent lottery-assigned slot.



Summary statistics for spillover analysis

Slots with 2023 owner info only

Slots without pre-lottery info included [Back](#)

	count	mean	min	max
Share of 2-step neig of -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) selling k in 1997	2013	0.022	0	1
Share of 3-step neig of -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) selling k in 1997	2013	0.023	0	1
Share of 6-step neig of -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) selling k in 1997	2135	0.023	0	1
Share of 9-step neig of -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) selling k in 1997	2135	0.023	0	0.5
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) in 2-steps	27450	0.93	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) in 3-steps	27450	0.93	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) in 6-steps	27450	0.92	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on 1997 ownership) in 9-steps	27450	0.92	0	1
Share of 2-step neig of -i slots (based on 2023 ownership) selling k in 2023	4392	0.017	0	0.8
Share of 3-step neig of -i slots (based on 2023 ownership) selling k in 2023	4392	0.018	0	0.6
Share of 6-step neig of -i slots (based on 2023 ownership) selling k in 2023	4392	0.018	0	0.6
Share of 9-step neig of -i slots (based on 2023 ownership) selling k in 2023	4392	0.018	0	0.6
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on ownership in 2023) in 2-steps	55693	0.92	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on ownership in 2023) in 3-steps	55693	0.92	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on ownership in 2023) in 6-steps	55693	0.92	0	1
=1 if slot i has no -i slots (based on ownership in 2023) in 9-steps	55693	0.92	0	1
