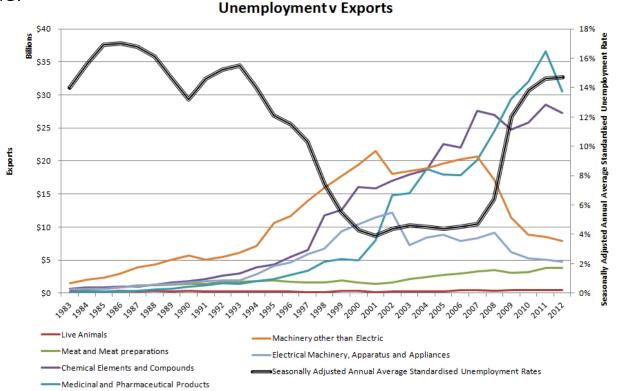
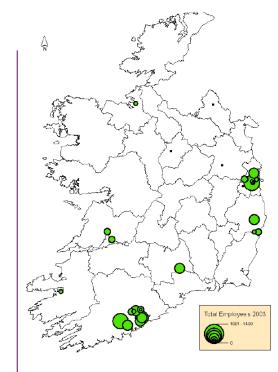
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•Industry Space - Spatial network representing firms in various industries.

•Skill Space - Spatial network representing universities with different graduate outputs.

•Firms grow due to growth in World GDP, agglomeration externalities & skilled labour:

$$n_t = Y_t H_t K_t n_{t-1} \left(1 - \frac{n_{t-1}}{N} \right).$$

Industry Space Network Generation

- 1. New node position is a random variable in the unit square.
- 2. Our new node, f, connects with each existing node, g, with probability

 $P(f,g) = \beta \ln(\hat{n}(g) + 1)e^{-\alpha_1 d_T(f,g)}e^{-\alpha_2 d_P(f,g)}.$

- 3. Our new node survives if and only if it forms a connection with at least one existing node.
- 4. Every *m* timesteps we allow connections to form between any pair of existing nodes.
- 5. We repeat this process until the desired number of nodes is reached.



