The impact of High Speed Rail on industry clustering and housing market

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#### HSR movement

- 250 km per hour, International Union of Railway
- First wave: 1964, Japanese Shinkansen (Tokyo and Osaka)
- Second wave: 1980s, 1990s, European countries, France (TGV), Spanish, German...
- Third wave: 2000 -, China, South Korea, India...
- Substantial development cost, about \$25-30 million per km
- Agglomeration economics

# HSR development in China

- 2004, 4+4 networks, 12000 km
- 2009, Speed up due to 4 trillion stimulus package
- 2016, 8+8 networks, 38000km
- 2019, 35000 km, 2/3 world network

HSR network and stops in China in 2013 (11,000 km in 97 cities)



#### Literatures

- Urban and regional growth (Ahlfeldt and Feddersen, 2017; Shao et al., 2017, Meng et al. 2018; Monzon et al. 2013; Qin, 2017.).
- Accessibility (Jiao et al. 2014, Shaw et al, 2014, Diao, 2018)
- Housing market (Diao et al. 2017, Zheng & Kahn, 2013)
- Rail-air competition (Chen, 2017; Zhang et al, 2017; Jiang et al. 2017)
- Planning and implementation: China Railway, Provincial government, local government
- Many under-developed local governments take HSR as a economic development engine and tend to fully leverage the spatial spillover benefits of HSR
- Location choice of HRS is related to cost-benefit analysis

# Spatial spillover effect of HSR

- The intensities of nighttime light image was increased by 27%
- Zheng et al (2019)



# HSR and new firm establishment

- Agglomeration benefits VS cost
- Urbanization economics versus localization economics
- Data source: firm registration data, 2004-2016





# Empirical strategy

• Two way fixed effect DID (Difference-in-differences)  $Y_{it} = a_0 + a_1 HSR_{it} + a_2 X_{it} + \mu_i + v_t + \varepsilon_{it}$ (1)

Dependent variable is the number of new firms in county i at the year t.



### Baseline results

		Pooled OLS		Difference-in-differences				PSM & Difference-in-differences			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	
Treat	-0.0194	0.0478	-0.0183								
	(0.0365)	(0.0372)	(0.0162)								
Treat×After				0.134***	-0.102***	-0.105***	-0.044***	-0.130***	-0.132***	-0.0612***	
				(0.0212)	(0.0183)	(0.0183)	(0.0149)	(0.0211)	(0.0207)	(0.0180)	
L.Plant Stock			0.796***				0.538***			0.544***	
			(0.0208)				(0.0216)			(0.0386)	
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
County effects	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year effects	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Province trend	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
R2	0.784	0.809	0.920	0.769	0.839	0.839	0.851	0.838	0.838	0.854	
Observation	26715	26715	24660	26715	26715	26715	24660	10400	10400	9600	

Event study

$$Y_{it} = b_0 + \sum_{\tau} B_T H S R_j \times \mathbf{1}[\tau = T] + b_2 X_{it} + \mu_j + \tau_t + \varepsilon_{it} \qquad (2)$$



#### Falsification test



### Urban vs suburban

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
HSR	-0.0436***	-0.0609***		
	(0.0149)	(0.0154)		
Nearby		-0.0557***		
		(0.0131)		
HSR×Urban			0.00600	-0.00916
			(0.0190)	(0.0195)
Nearby ×Urban				-0.0407
				(0.0426)
HSR×Suburban			-0.0732***	-0.0917***
			(0.0196)	(0.0201)
Nearby ×Suburban				-0.0574***
				(0.0135)
L.Plant Stock	0.538***	0.534***	0.537***	0.533***
	(0.0216)	(0.0216)	(0.0217)	(0.0216)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Province linear trend	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.851	0.852	0.852	0.852
Observation	24660	24660	24660	24660

# Excluding provincial capital cities

• Inconsequential place approach (Redding and Turner, 2015)

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
HSR	-0.0444***	-0.0613***		
	(0.0168)	(0.0172)		
Nearby		-0.0564***		
		(0.0140)		
HSR×Urban			0.00880	-0.00653
			(0.0228)	(0.0232)
Nearby×Urban				-0.0434
				(0.0444)
HSR×Suburban			-0.0722***	-0.0897***
			(0.0214)	(0.0218)
Nearby×Suburban				-0.0577***
				(0.0145)
L.Plant Stock	0.539***	0.535***	0.539***	0.535***
	(0.0202)	(0.0202)	(0.0202)	(0.0202)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Province linear trend	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850
Obs	22440	22440	22440	22440

#### New versus renew

	1	<b>A</b> 11	N	ew	Renew		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
HSR	-0.0436***		-0.0535***		-0.0187		
	(0.0149)		(0.0173)		(0.0252)		
HSR×New		-0.0530***					
		(0.0172)					
HSR×Re_New		-0.0157					
		(0.0254)					
HSR×Urban				-0.0068		0.0130	
				(0.0260)		(0.0257)	
HSR×Suburban				-0.0713***		-0.0860	
				(0.0210)		(0.0540)	
L.Plant Stock	0.538***	0.538***	0.532***	0.531***	0.533***	0.533***	
	(0.0216)	(0.0216)	(0.0225)	(0.0225)	(0.0208)	(0.0208)	
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
County effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
<b>Province linear</b>	Vas	Vac	Vas	Vac	Vos	Voc	
trend	1 05	1 55	1 5	1 5	105	105	
<b>R2</b>	0.851	0.851	0.849	0.849	0.851	0.851	
Observation	24660	24660	23329	23329	21119	21119	

# Heterogeneity by regions

	East	ern	Cen	tral	West	tern	Northe	eastern
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
HSR	-0.0226		0.0391*		-0.215***		-0.00307	
	(0.0222)		(0.0233)		(0.0397)		(0.0374)	
HSR×Urban		-0.0056		0.0909**		-0.112**		0.0441
		(0.0263)		(0.0379)		(0.0561)		(0.0443)
HSR×Suburban		-0.0329		0.0102		-0.271***		-0.0378
		(0.0300)		(0.0282)		(0.0490)		(0.0508)
L.Plant Stock	0.726***	0.725***	0.386***	0.384***	0.538***	0.537***	0.541***	0.548***
	(0.0412)	(0.0412)	(0.0334)	(0.0335)	(0.0401)	(0.0404)	(0.0466)	(0.0475)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Province linear trend	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.874	0.874	0.882	0.882	0.830	0.830	0.888	0.889
Obs	6540	6540	6756	6756	9240	9240	2124	2124

# Heterogeneity by regions- cons

	(1)	(2)
HSR×Eastern	-0.0438*	
	(0.0224)	
HSR×Central	0.0417*	
	(0.0225)	
HSR×Western	-0.159***	
	(0.0350)	
HSR×Northeastern	-0.0952***	
HSR×Eastern×Urban		-0.0156
		(0.0252)
HSR×Central×Urban		0.0947***
		(0.0332)
HSR×Western×Urban		-0.0697
		(0.0475)
HSR×Northeastern×Urban		-0.0415
		(0.0426)
HSR×Eastern×Suburban		-0.0598*
		(0.0315)
HSK×Central×Suburban		0.0109
USPyMostornySuburban		(0.0288)
		-0.207
HSRxNortheasternxSuburban		-0 139***
		(0.0483)
L.Plant Stock	0.537***	0.537***
	(0.0219)	(0.0220)
	()	()
Controls	Yes	Yes
County effects	Yes	Yes
Year effects	Yes	Yes
Province linear trend	Yes	Yes
R2	0.852	0.852
Obs	24660	24660

# Heterogeneity by sectors

	Tot	tal	Prin	nary	Manufa	acturing	Services	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
HSR	-0.0436***		-0.171***		-0.134***		0.00837	
	(0.0149)		(0.0290)		(0.0228)		(0.0163)	
HSR×Urban		0.00600		-0.175***		-0.149***		0.0480**
		(0.0190)		(0.0429)		(0.0331)		(0.0218)
HSR×Suburban		-0.0732***		-0.168***		-0.125***		-0.0151
		(0.0196)		(0.0369)		(0.0296)		(0.0216)
L.Plant Stock	0.538***	0.537***	0.398***	0.398***	0.300***	0.300***	0.320***	0.318***
	(0.0216)	(0.0217)	(0.0110)	(0.0110)	(0.0133)	(0.0133)	(0.0239)	(0.0239)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Province linear trend	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>R</b> 2	0.851	0.852	0.824	0.824	0.513	0.513	0.812	0.812
Obs	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660

# Heterogeneity by region and sector

	То	tal	Prin	tal Primary Manufacturing		cturing	Service	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
HSR×Eastern	-0.0438*		-0.280***		-0.107***		0.0258	
	(0.0224)		(0.0503)		(0.0374)		(0.0238)	
HSR×Central	0.0417*		-0.0583		-0.0420		0.115***	
	(0.0225)		(0.0446)		(0.0349)		(0.0242)	
HSR×Western	-0.159***		-0.211***		-0.289***		-0.108**	
	(0.0350)		(0.0538)		(0.0510)		(0.0421)	
HSK×Northeastern	$-0.0952^{***}$		-0.0203		-0.242***		$-0.184^{***}$	
	(0.0340)	0.0156	(0.0077)	0 0 1 7 * * *	(0.0400)	0 107**	(0.0317)	0.0415
HSK×EdStern×Orban		-0.0150		-0.247		-0.127		0.0415
		(0.0252)		(0.0797)		(0.0530)		(0.0274)
HSR×Central×Urban		0.0947***		-0.0810		-0.0691		0.157***
		(0.0332)		(0.0663)		(0.0570)		(0.0388)
HSR×Western×Urban		-0.0697		-0.212***		-0.254***		-0.0191
		(0.0475)		(0.0662)		(0.0731)		(0.0599)
HSR×Northeastern×Urban		-0.0415		-0.136		-0.277***		-0.118***
		(0.0426)		(0.0894)		(0.0751)		(0.0379)
HSR×Eastern×Suburban		-0.0598*		-0.301***		-0.0947*		0.0174
		(0.0315)		(0.0630)		(0.0503)		(0.0337)
HSR×Central×Suburban		0.0109		-0.0449		-0.0263		0.0900***
		(0.0288)		(0.0583)		(0.0430)		(0.0299)
HSR×Western×Suburban		-0.207***		-0.210***		-0.307***		-0.155***
		(0.0455)		(0.0735)		(0.0669)		(0.0546)
HSR×Northeastern×Suburban		-0.139***		0.0744		-0.214***		-0.239***
		(0.0483)		(0.0882)		(0.0527)		(0.0419)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.852	0.852	0.824	0.825	0.514	0.514	0.812	0.813
Obs	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660	24660

# Conclusion

- New firm establishment is declined about 4.4% after HSR
- The effect is entirely captured by suburban/rural areas
- Great heterogeneities: regions and sectors.
- Our results show the HSR can change the industrial clustering pattern and strengthen the regional inequality.
- Our study enriches literatures in HSR planning and accessibility, TOD, polycentric development and place-based policy.

# HSR and city cluster strategy





# Stylized fact- manufacturing

Source: Industry survey data, 1998-2013



Panel 2-B The ratio of employment in 2013 to 2009 (ranging from 0.8-6)



Panel 2-A Number of employment in 2009 (ranging from 139-2252215)



160



Panel 3-D: Real Estate (ranging from 1.89-12.47)

160

120

Panel 3-C: Hotel (ranging from 1.42-27.77)

# HSR and manufacturing

$$Y_{it} = a_0 + a_1 HSR_{it} + a_2 X_{it} + \mu_i + \upsilon_t + \varepsilon_{it}$$
(3)

$$LQ_{it} = \frac{\frac{e_{it}}{e_t}}{\frac{E_{it}}{E_t}}$$

(4)

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	log(Emp)	log(Emp)	log(Firm)	log(Firm)	LQ_Emp	LQ_Emp	LQ_Firm	LQ_Firm
HSR	-0.0758		-0.165***		-0.0096		-0.0011	
	(0.0571)		(0.0618)		(0.0072)		(0.0079)	
HSR_Urban		-0.0855		-0.181***		-0.011		-0.0045
		(0.0589)		(0.0626)		(0.007)		(0.007)
HSR_Suburb		0.0582		0.0520		0.0098		0.0472***
		(0.0576)		(0.0456)		(0.0109)		(0.0108)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.966	0.966	0.980	0.980	0.934	0.934	0.933	0.933
Observations	836	836	836	836	836	836	836	836

# HSR and service sector

	Transport		IT		Retail		Hotel		Finance		Real Esta	ite	Edu	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
HSR	0.0660		0.0865*		0.0094		0.0864		-0.0551		-0.0500		0.266**	
	(0.0528)		(0.0504)		(0.056)		(0.0624)		(0.0546)		(0.0401)		(0.104)	
HSR_Urban		0.131**		0.214***		0.121*		0.247***		-0.0122		-0.128***		0.352***
		(0.0605)		(0.0582)		(0.0694)		(0.0736)		(0.0729)		(0.0471)		(0.116)
HSR_Suburban		-0.0414		-0.124*		-0.173***		-0.178***		-0.126**		0.0785*		0.124
		(0.0901)		(0.0632)		(0.0512)		(0.0601)		(0.0554)		(0.0447)		(0.187)
Control	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County Fixed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R-squared	0.988	0.988	0.987	0.988	0.981	0.981	0.979	0.980	0.975	0.976	0.989	0.989	0.951	0.951
Observations	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303	1,303

#### Robustness check- industry transfer park policy

Industry transfer parks: 34 parks established from 2005 to 2012 13 counties with ITPs have HRS service

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	log(Emp)	log(Firm)	LQ_Emp	LQ_Firm
HSR	-0.0947	-0.185**	-0.0133	0.0006
	(0.0671)	(0.0750)	(0.0085)	(0.0079)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	0.961	0.977	0.932	0.928
Observations	745	745	745	745

#### Robustness check- land development

Land leasing data: 125,000 parcels transacted from 2007-2018. Dependent variable: log (Land size x floor area ratio)

	Commercial		Industry		Residential	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
HSR	1.0262		0.358		0.0920	
	(0.6276)		(0.598)		(0.569)	
HSR_Urban		1.2904		-0.00471		-0.601
		(0.7968)		(0.697)		(0.581)
HSR_Suburb		0.5449		1.019		1.354
		(0.854)		(0.933)		(0.997)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
County fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
R-squared	0.4512	0.4515	0.520	0.521	0.544	0.547
Observations	1,398	1,398	1,398	1,398	1,398	1,398

# Conclusion

- HSR has causal impact on industry clustering
- Large scale manufacturing moves out from central GBA
- Service sectors cluster in
- Urban and suburban districts exhibit reverse trends
- The moving out of R.E has implications on housing market

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# HSR and metro ridership

	Number of Lines	Length (km)	Ridership (million)	Ridership per km (million)	Population (million)
2005	2	22	57.66	2.62	8.28
2006	2	23	89.9	3.91	8.71
2007	2	24	117.65	4.90	9.12
2008	2	25	135.5	5.42	9.54
2009	2	25	138.23	5.53	9.95
2010	4	64	162.71	2.54	10.37
2011	5	177	459.85	2.60	10.47
2012	5	177	781.29	4.41	10.55
2013	5	177	917.15	5.18	10.63
2014	5	177	1036.75	5.86	10.78
2015	5	177	1121.88	6.34	11.38
2016	8	285	1297.13	4.55	11.91
2017	9	297	1655.45	5.57	12.53
2018	9	297	1886.51	6.35	13.03

#### Table 1: Shenzhen Metro network extension

### Research design

The metro network remains unchanged from 2011-2015.

The first HSR line was operated at the end of 2011, and its extension was in service at the end of 2015.

HSR Station	Opening Time	Line	Location	Connected to Metro network
Shenzhen North	26-Dec-11	First and Second	Suburb	Yes
GM station	26-Dec-11	First	Rural	No
Futian	30-Dec-15	First	Urban CBD	Yes
Pingshan	28-Dec-13	Second	Rural	No

#### Table 2: Characteristics of HSR stations

We choose to study the causal impact of the city's second HSR line to the housing market from 2012-2015.

#### Metro network and the spatial distribution of housing complex



#### The direct impact of HSR to housing values

$$P_{ijt} = a_0 + a_1 HSR_j * After_t + a_2 X_{ijt} + \mu_j + \tau_t + \varepsilon_{it}$$
(1)

Treatment group: housing complex located with 2 km of HSR stations Control group: housing complex located between 2-4 km of HSR stations

	Pingshan (small)				Shenzhen North (HSR hub)			
	(1) within 6	(2) within	(3) within	(4) within	(5)within 6	(6) within	(7) within	(8) within
	months	12 months	18 months	24 months	months	12 months	18 months	24 months
HSR x After	-0.0443	-0.0470	-0.0150	-0.0141	-0.133***	-0.115***	-0.127***	-0.119***
	(0.0739)	(0.0682)	(0.0275)	(0.0338)	(0.0341)	(0.0242)	(0.0285)	(0.0293)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Housing fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Time fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Observations	5,354	8,175	11,729	13,905	12,370	15,676	18,522	21,024
R-squared	0.935	0.938	0.931	0.934	0.969	0.972	0.976	0.980

### Robustness check

#### We know number of High Speed trains for each station Continuous version DID regression

	Pingshan (small)				Shenzhen North (HSR hub)			
	(1) within 6	(2) within	(3) within	(4) within	(5)within 6	(6) within	(7) within	(8) within
	months	12 months	18 months	24 months	months	12 months	18 months	24 months
HSR x log(Train+1)	-0.0150 (0.0251)	-0.0160 (0.0232)	-0.00508 (0.00591)	-0.00804 (0.00620)	-0.166** (0.0549)	-0.141*** (0.0411)	-0.0760* (0.0400)	-0.0736* (0.0387)
Controls	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Housing fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Time fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Observations	5,354	8,175	11,729	13,905	12,370	15,676	18,522	21,024
R-squared	0.935	0.938	0.931	0.934	0.969	0.972	0.976	0.980

### The overall network effect

Treatment group: 1 km catchment area of metro stations Control group: 1-2 km far away from metro stations

	(1) 6 months	(2) 12 months	(3) 18 months	(4) 24 months	
	0.0230	0.0322	0.0633*	0.0697*	
Metro x After	(0.0240)	(0.0264)	(0.0365)	(0.0383)	
Housing characteristics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Housing complex fixed effect	Yes	Yes Yes		Yes	
Time fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
R-squared	0.978	0.979	0.979	0.978	
Observations	69,764	88,911	109,568	132,410	



# Redistribution effect

	(1) 5-15 minutes	(2) 15-25 minutes	(3) 25-35 minutes	(4) 35-45 minutes	(5) 45-55 minutes	(6) >55 minutes
Metro x After	-0.0769** (0.0362)	0.636* (0.346)	0.166*** (0.0452)	0.292*** (0.0323)	-0.0712 (0.127)	-0.0140 (0.0447)
Housing characteristics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Housing complex fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Time fixed effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Observations	28,092	16,860	22,554	18,569	14,326	10,424
R-squared	0.980	0.979	0.986	0.989	0.978	0.978

# Conclusion

- We measure redistribution effect of HSR on housing values though metro network
- Large scale HSR station drives down nearby housing values, while small HSR station has no effect
- The overall network effect is positive, indicating the benefits of improved inter-city accessibility can be capitalized into housing values
- However, there is a strong redistribution effect through metro networks.

#### **Contribution:**

- We identify the impact of inter-city transportation on intra-city housing market through two channels.
- This study contributes to the literatures in network effect.
- This study is also related whether the benefits of HSR are generative or redistributive.



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