Research on Economic Growth and Information Exchange Based on B2B E-commerce

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Abstract: This paper studies the relationship between B2B e-commerce transaction volume and GDP by using co-integration relation test and Engel-Granger test methods. The result shows that long-term stable co-integration relationship did not exist: B2B causes the growth of GDP, but GDP is not the reason for the increase in B2B transactions. Meanwhile, this article also aimed to study the influence of B2B e-commerce information retrieval and communication, and extracted different B2B e-commerce mode of information retrieval and communication mode to improve the efficiency of information retrieval and communication, making the business flow, logistics, and cash flow more smooth.

Keywords: B2B, communication, e-commerce, GDP, information retrieval.

1. INTRODUCTION

B2B i.e. Business to Business, and B2B e-commerce refer to the electronic business activities such as exchange of products services and information between enterprises through the Internet [1].

In 2011, China’s volume of B2B transaction was 4.9 trillion yuan, and in 2012, the deal size was expected to reach 7.5 trillion yuan. At present, e-commerce has been gradually penetrated into all aspects of economy and society. With a number of factors [2], driven by China’s B2B, e-commerce development will witness a blowout, highlighting the relationship between B2B electronic commerce and economic development.

Firstly, dissertation analysed the factors of electronic commerce impacting on Economic growth and cost-effective identification method in E-commerce transaction. But there is a difference in different stages. In accordance with the economic theory of E-commerce, cost-effective identification in E-commerce transaction is different from that of investment projects in traditional technical economics. The value of their products and services is fixed. The accounting research on the E-commerce transaction cost-effectiveness requires aid from traditional finance theory and E-commerce economic theory [3].

Secondly, the dissertation studied the interaction between the growth of electronic commerce and economic development, and plotted a development trend curve. Following this, the dissertation puts forward the view not to develop E-commerce and e-business in the beginning of industrialization, pointing to the trend curve of interaction between E-commerce and economic growth. A mutual interaction exists was observed having mutual promotion and constraints between E-commerce and economic growth. The changing regulation presented a “U” type trend.

2. ECONOMIC GROWTH AND B2B E-COMMERCE

The overall volume of B2B transactions is much higher than the volume of B2C transactions. The primary reason for this is that in a typical supply chain, there will be many B2B transactions involving sub components or raw materials, and only one B2C transaction, specifically sale of the finished product to the end customer. For example, an automobile manufacturer makes several B2B transactions such as buying tires, glass for windscreen, and rubber hoses for its vehicles. While in the final transaction, a finished vehicle sold to the customer, is a single (B2C) transaction [4, 5].

B2B is also used in the context of communication and collaboration. Many businesses are now using social media to connect with their consumers (B2C); however, they now use similar tools within the business so that employees can connect with one another. When communication takes place amongst employees, this can be referred to as "B2B" communication [6].

Table 1 shows the data of China’s B2B e-commerce transactions and gross domestic product (GDP) in 2000-2011. B2B e-commerce transactions emerged in 1990s in China. After more than ten years of development, B2B trade had already begun to take shape, from 76.8 billion in 2000 to 4.9 trillion in 2011, nearly 64 times; B2B transactions as a share of GDP increased from 0.77% in 2000 to 10.39% in 2011 (Fig. 1). With the improvement in e-commerce trading environment and the development of the virtual economy, the development scale of B2B e-commerce transactions will be larger, and its share in the GDP will be higher.

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Table 1. B2B e-commerce transactions and GDP.

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<th>Year</th>
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Source: statistical yearbook, China statistical yearbook, e-commerce industry development report.

3. B2B E-COMMERCE TRANSACTIONS AND GDP CORRELATION ANALYSIS

In this study, with the help of econometrics and time series method, relationship of B2B trading with economy for empirical was analysed empirically.

The study used ADF to test B2B e-commerce transactions and GDP in 2000-2011. Suppose Y stands for B2B transactions (Y) and GDP(x), the following three model of unit root test sequence can be used:

\[ \Delta Y_t = \omega Y_{t-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_i \Delta Y_{t-i} + \epsilon_t \]  \hspace{1cm} (1)

\[ \Delta Y_t = \alpha + \omega Y_{t-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_i \Delta Y_{t-i} + \epsilon_t \]  \hspace{1cm} (2)

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\[ \ln Y = \alpha + \beta x + \mu \]  \hspace{1cm} (4)

Among them: \( \epsilon \sim (0, \sigma^2) \)

Model (1) was used to test sequence without intercept and trend; Model (2) was used to test sequence with intercept item but without trend; Model (3) tested the sequence with both intercept and trend. Before testing GDP (x) and B2B e-commerce transactions (y) with ADF inspection, one should first observe the sequence diagram (see Fig. 2).

Fig. (2) shows that the x and y had a rising trend and intercept, therefore, model (3) was used to test sequence. ADF test results are shown in Table 2.

The results show that the two variables of ADF T statistic values were greater than the critical value with 5% significant level, therefore null hypothesis was accepted. These two variables represent the unit root, and were not stable.

In 2014, according to the CNNIC: the 33rd China’s Internet network development state statistics report is shown in Fig. (3). In December 2013, there were 618 million Internet users in China, and a total of 53.58 million Internet users were further estimated throughout the year. Internet penetration rate was 45.8%, a 3.7% increase compared with Fig. (1). B2B e-commerce transactions’ proportion in GDP.

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2012. There were 500 million mobile phone Internet users, highlighting an increase of 80.09 million compared with the end of 2012. Cellphone netizens account increased by 81.0% in the whole Internet users. Internet penetration is steadily increased, but compared with the developed countries, Internet penetration in China is still at a very low level. Therefore, according to the present development in the use of Internet in our country, the future of our country electronic commerce has broad prospects for development.

4. THE INFLUENCE FACTORS OF E-COMMERCE BENEFITS

Due to the different level of economic growth, the electronic commerce development has shown different effect on economic growth, therefore different stages of the electronic commerce cause different changes.

There are some major factors affecting the initial stage of e-commerce development in China.

In general, at the initial stage of e-commerce development, factors like enterprise information flow, capital and cash-flow directly affect the level of electronic commerce technology development and the balance of supply and demand in market application. However, the core elements in the development of e-commerce applications are in demand [7].

In addition, there are some factors affecting the takeoff stage of e-commerce development in China.

E-commerce, from the beginning, entered the stage of development, with positive contribution to economic growth. At this time, the major influence factors are internal...
elements of e-commerce system; meanwhile, factors outside the country's economic system are also very important [8].

To sum up, the development in electronic commerce for many years, and in many countries, including China, has entered the take-off stage. According to practical experience, the development of e-commerce market, talent, technology, finance, international and institutional environment are the important influencing factors as mentioned in Table 3.

5. INFORMATION RETRIEVAL AND COMMUNICATION AND B2B E-COMMERCE

Information retrieval and communication hold immense importance in a country's economic development.

Because of the lack of information sharing, production and demand are not symmetric, thus causing shortage and excess of products at the same time.

Because the buyers are limited, many buyers and sellers form multi-level sales chain, making a lot of intermediate links, therefore the cost of sales becomes higher. Because of the limitation of buyers and sellers, buying and selling bids are inadequate, which effects transaction efficiency and does not help to create a fair market environment;

Analysis of information retrieval and communication in online business

Information reflects recent changes and features in the objective world. Information is reflected through certain forms of material carrier, and is the state of substance, the form and law of movement. Therefore, the concept of network business information can be defined from the above definition of business information and network information: it refers to the information that can reflect various features in operational activities, precisely and timely, by means of digital network, storage, transmission and management. Business information plays a determinant role in the discovery of business opportunities [9].

Due to increased information sources, access to information is easy and online information has also increased exponentially. At present, the number of databases that only connect to the Internet is tens of thousands, other information is more difficult to calculate. There are a variety
of forms of information including, network publications, dynamic information, all kinds of databases, software resources and other information. In addition, information is stored in different formats including; text, images, audio and video information and each includes a variety of file access formats. The Internet itself is an institution without special management. Free connection, free release information, free extension, widely used service mode and free service content are the biggest characteristics of Internet. Therefore, through network, information resources are distributed, with no fixed order, and without a unified system and structure [10].

CONCLUSION

In today’s competitive business environment, companies seek ways to perform transactions efficiently and effectively. The Internet has created a flexible platform for the buying and selling of products and services. Internet is an open global network with heterogeneous, dynamic, interoperability and other features. Every site on the Internet is a Data Source. The types of information and ways of organization are different from site to site. And these sites form a huge heterogeneous information resource environment that contains structured, semi-structured and unstructured Information resources. Information has its value. Through useful information, one can eliminate the uncertainty of economic decision-making, reduce the cost of economic behavior, increase the proceeds of economic behavior, and thus enhance economic efficiency.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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