Evolution of Knowledge-Intensive Business Services (KIBS) servicification in Sweden

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Servicification in manufacturing - some general facts

- manufacturing increasingly buys, produces and sells services
- reasons for servicification:
 - to become more productive
 - to participate in value chains
 - to increase the value of products to customers
 - overcome market access barriers
- servicification can be seen both as a statistical phenomenon and as a real change in the business models and core tasks of manufacturing

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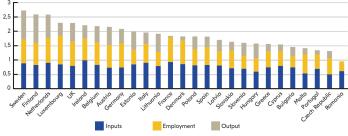
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- there is no official definition but most authors agree on the following:
 - IT professions (hardware, software, data)
 - research and development '
 - architectural and engineering activities
 - legal, accounting, book-keeping and auditing activities
 - advertising

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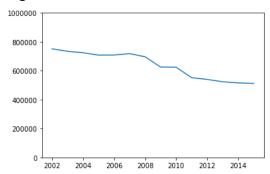
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Source: WIOD. EU-LFS and National Board of Trade calculations

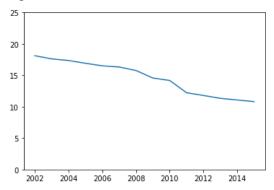
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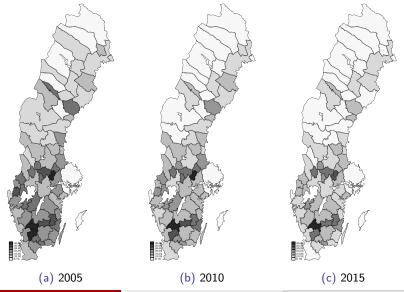


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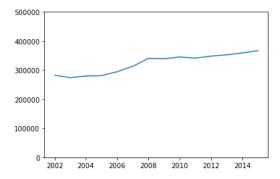


Manufacturing in Sweden, local labour markets



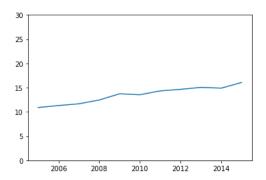
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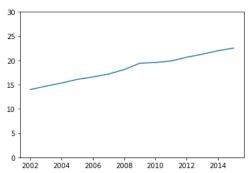
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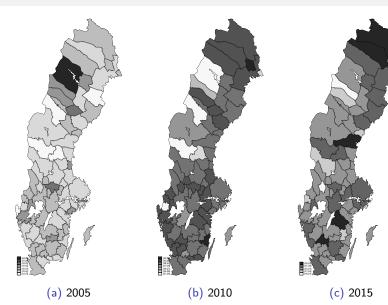
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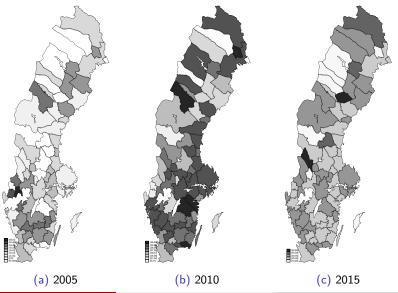
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