

Firms Problem with CES Production and Ownership of Capital

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Denote the stock of bonds issued by the firm as b^F . T^F denotes taxes on the firm. Firm ι 's maximization problem is:

$$V_\iota(k_{\iota,t}^F, b_{\iota,t}^F, \Omega_t) = \max_{n_{\iota,t}^F, k_{\iota,t+1}^F, b_{\iota,t+1}^F} e_{\iota,t}^F + \frac{1}{1+r_{t+1}} V_\iota(k_{\iota,t+1}^F, b_{\iota,t+1}^F, \Omega_{t+1}) \quad (1)$$

$$e_{\iota,t}^F = p_{\iota,t} y_{\iota,t}^F - w_t n_{\iota,t}^F + (1-\delta)k_{\iota,t}^F - (1+r_t)b_{\iota,t}^F - k_{\iota,t+1}^F + b_{\iota,t+1}^F - T_{\iota,t}^F \quad (2)$$

$$y_{\iota,t}^F = f(z_t, k_{\iota,t}^F, n_{\iota,t}^F) = z_t [\zeta(k_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta + (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta]^{\frac{1}{\eta}} \quad (3)$$

The first-order conditions are:

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\iota,t} z_t [\zeta(k_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta + (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta]^{\frac{1-\eta}{\eta}} (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^{\eta-1} - w_t - \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial n_{\iota,t}^F} &= 0 \\ -1 - \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial k_{\iota,t+1}^F} + \frac{1}{1+r_{t+1}} \frac{\partial V_\iota}{\partial k_\iota^F}(t+1) &= 0 \\ 1 - \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial b_{\iota,t+1}^F} + \frac{1}{1+r_{t+1}} \frac{\partial V_\iota}{\partial b_\iota^F}(t+1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Envelope conditions are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial V_\iota}{\partial k_\iota^F}(t) &= p_{\iota,t} z_t [\zeta(k_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta + (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta]^{\frac{1-\eta}{\eta}} \zeta(k_{\iota,t}^F)^{\eta-1} + 1 - \delta - \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial k_{\iota,t}^F} \\ \frac{\partial V_\iota}{\partial b_\iota^F}(t) &= - \left(1 + r_t + \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial b_{\iota,t}^F} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Euler equations are:

$$p_{\iota,t} z_t [\zeta(k_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta + (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^\eta]^{\frac{1-\eta}{\eta}} (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t}^F)^{\eta-1} = w_t + \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t+1}^F}{\partial n_{\iota,t+1}^F} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\iota,t+1} z_{t+1} [\zeta(k_{\iota,t+1}^F)^\eta + (1-\zeta)(n_{\iota,t+1}^F)^\eta]^{\frac{1-\eta}{\eta}} \zeta(k_{\iota,t+1}^F)^{\eta-1} \\ = \left(1 + \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t+1}^F}{\partial k_{\iota,t+1}^F} \right) (1+r_{t+1}) - 1 - \delta - \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial k_{\iota,t+1}^F} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$r_{t+1} = - \frac{\frac{\partial T_{\iota,t+1}^F}{\partial b_{\iota,t+1}^F} + \frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial b_{\iota,t+1}^F}}{\frac{\partial T_{\iota,t}^F}{\partial b_{\iota,t+1}^F}} \quad (6)$$

Starting with a values for $k_{\iota,1}^F$, $b_{\iota,1}^F$, w_t , $p_{\iota,t}$ and z_t , we get $n_{\iota,t}^F$ from equation (4). Equations (5) and (6) then give $k_{\iota,t+1}^F$ and $b_{\iota,t+1}^F$ using the known value of r_{t+1} . This allows us to iteratively solve for labor hired, capital and outstanding debt for firm ι over time.

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