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1 Consumer

Consumer solves

$$V_t = \max_{C_s} \int_t^{\infty} \exp(-\rho(s-t)) \ln C_s ds \quad (1)$$

The Bellman reads

$$V_t(A_t) = \max_{C_s} \ln C_s + \exp(-\rho)V(A_{t+1}) \quad (2)$$

Set up the Hamiltonian

2 Final Producer

Final producer solves

$$\max_{y_{jt}} P_t Y_t - \int_0^1 p_{jt} y_{jt} dj \quad \text{subject to } \ln Y_t = \int_0^1 \ln y_{jt} dj$$

The marginal profit of the Final producer should equal the marginal cost:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial P_t Y_t}{\partial y_{jt}} &= p_{jt} \\
\Rightarrow P_t \times \exp\left(\int_0^1 \ln y_{jt} dj\right) \times \frac{1}{y_{jt}} &= p_{jt} \\
\Rightarrow P_t Y_t &= p_{jt} y_{jt} \\
\Rightarrow \ln Y_t &= \int_0^1 \ln \frac{P_t Y_t}{p_{jt}} dj \\
&= \ln P_t Y_t - \int_0^1 \ln p_{jt} dj \\
\Leftrightarrow \ln P_t &= \int_0^1 \ln p_{jt} dj \tag{3}
\end{aligned}$$

which is the optimal demand.

3 Sectoral intermediate production

On sectoral level, the intermediate production's optimal supply of products solves

$$\max_{y_{ijt}, y_{-ijt}} P_{jt} Y_{jt} - (p_{ijt} y_{ijt} + p_{-ijt} y_{-ijt}) \quad \text{subject to } Y_{jt} = (y_{ijt}^\beta + y_{-ijt}^\beta)^{1/\beta}$$

Setting marginal cost and product equal yields

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{jt} \frac{\partial Y_{jt}}{\partial y_{ijt}} &= p_{ijt} \\
P_{jt} \frac{1}{\beta} (y_{ijt}^\beta + y_{-ijt}^\beta)^{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}} \cdot \beta y_{ijt}^{\beta-1} &= p_{ijt} \\
y_{ijt} &= \left(\frac{p_{ijt}}{P_{jt}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta-1}} \cdot Y_{jt}
\end{aligned}$$

Symmetry gives

$$y_{-ijt} = \left(\frac{p_{-ijt}}{P_{jt}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta-1}} \cdot Y_{jt}$$

Substituting into