

Public Goods

Dolbear Triangle;

$$\begin{aligned}
 &u_1(x_1, g) \\
 &u_2(x_2, g) \\
 &\mathcal{F} = \{(x_1, x_2, g) \\
 &\quad = \{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 | x_1 + x_2 + g = 10\} \\
 &\omega_1 = \omega_2 = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 &u_1(x_1, g) = 8x_1 + 5g \\
 &u_2(x_2, g) = 8x_2 + 5g \\
 &\mathcal{F} = \{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 | 10 - (x_1 + x_2) = g\} \\
 &u_2^{ADJ}(x_1, g) = u_2(10 - x_1 - g, g) \\
 &\quad = 80 - 8x_1 - 3g \\
 &PE = \{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathcal{F} | x_1 = 0 \vee x_2 = 0\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\max_{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3} \alpha(8x_1 + 5g) + \beta(8x_2 + 5g) \\
 &\quad s.t. \quad x_1 + x_2 + g = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\max_{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3} 8\alpha x_1 + 8\beta x_2 + 5(\alpha + \beta)g \\
 &\quad s.t. \quad x_1 + x_2 + g = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that if $\alpha > \beta, x_2 = 0$ and if $\alpha < \beta, x_1 = 0$ and if $\alpha = \beta, x_1 = x_2 = 0, g = 10$

NOw if $\alpha > \beta$ then $8\alpha > 5(\alpha + \beta)$

Lindahl equilibrium

(p_1^*, p_2^*)

Question 1

Find the competitive equilibrium in the following economy;

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x_1, g) &= 8x_1 + 5g & \omega_1 &= 4 \\ u_2(x_2, g) &= 8x_2 + 5g & \omega_2 &= 6 \\ g &= f(x_0) = x_0 \\ \mathcal{F} &= \{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 \mid x_1 + x_2 + g = 10\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(p_1^*, p_2^*) = \left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$$

How to check if it is correct?

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{(x_1, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2} \quad & 8x_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \end{aligned}$$

First Welfare Theorem for Lindahl Equilibrium;

$$\begin{aligned} & u_1(x_1, g) \quad g = f(x_0) \quad (\omega_1, \omega_2) \\ & u_2(x_2, g) \quad (\theta_1, \theta_2) \\ \mathcal{F} &= \{(x_1, x_2, g) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 \mid f(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - x_1 - x_2) = g\} \\ & u_1, u_2 \text{ are increasing} \end{aligned}$$

Proof Suppose $((p_1^*, p_2^*), (x_1^*, x_2^*, g^*))$ is the Lindahl equilibrium, and suppose (x_1^*, x_2^*, g^*) is not Pareto efficient.

So there must exist $(x'_1, x'_2, g') \in \mathcal{F}$ such that,

1. $u_1(x'_1, g') \geq u_1(x_1^*, g^*)$ and $u_2(x'_2, g') \geq u_2(x_2^*, g^*)$
2. $u_1(x'_1, g') > u_1(x_1^*, g^*)$ and $u_2(x'_2, g') > u_2(x_2^*, g^*)$

By 1, $x'_1 + p_1^* g' \geq \omega_1 + \theta_1 \pi^*(p_1^* + p_2^*)$ and $x'_2 + p_2^* g' \geq \omega_2 + \theta_2 \pi^*(p_1^* + p_2^*)$

By 2, $x'_1 + p_1^* g' > \omega_1 + \theta_1 \pi^*(p_1^* + p_2^*)$ and $x'_2 + p_2^* g' > \omega_2 + \theta_2 \pi^*(p_1^* + p_2^*)$

Question 2

Find the Lindahl Equilibrium;

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x_1, g) &= x_1 + 2\sqrt{g} & \omega_1 &= 2 \\ u_2(x_2, g) &= x_2 + 4\sqrt{g} & \omega_2 &= 1 \\ u_3(x_3, g) &= x_3 + 4\sqrt{g} & \omega_3 &= 1 \\ g &= f(x_0) = x_0 \end{aligned}$$

First we solve the firm's profit maximization problem;

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{(g, x_0)} \quad & (p_1 + p_2)g - x_0 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g \leq x_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{(g)} (p_1 + p_2 + p_3)g - g \\ g^* & \in \begin{cases} \phi & \text{if } p_1 + p_2 + p_3 > 1 \\ \{0\} & \text{if } p_1 + p_2 + p_3 < 1 \\ \mathbb{R}_+ & \text{if } p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$