

ECON 7115

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1 CES Utility ($\epsilon = 0$)

1.1 Derive D_n

Under CES, we have:

- $H'(x) = \frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} x^{\frac{-1}{\sigma}}$, where $x = \frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}$
- $\int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} H(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}) d\omega$.
- $D_n = \left[\int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} H'(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}) \frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n} d\omega \right]^{-1}$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \left[\int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} H'(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}) \frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n} d\omega \right]^{-1} \\ &= \left[\int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} \frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}} \frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n} d\omega \right]^{-1} \\ &= \left[\int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} \frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n} \right)^{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma}} d\omega \right]^{-1} \\ &= \left[\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} \int_{\omega \in \Omega_n} H(\frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}) d\omega \right]^{-1} \\ &= \frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1} \end{aligned}$$

1.2 The Aggregate Fixed Mkt Cost and Trade Value

In this section, we need to show:

$$\frac{w_n F_n (c_n^*)^\theta M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}}}{X_{kn}} = \text{const.}$$

1.2.1 Derive $s_{in}(\omega) = s_n(c_{in}(\omega))$

First, we let $s_{in}(\omega) = \frac{q_n(\omega)}{Q_n}$. Hence, we have:

$$p_{in}(\omega) = H'(s_{in}(\omega))D_n P_n = s_{in}(\omega)^{\frac{-1}{\sigma}} * P_n \quad (1)$$

Noted under $\epsilon = 0$, the markup $\mu = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}$, hence,

$$p_{in}(\omega) = \mu * c_{in}(\omega) = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1} c_{in}(\omega) \quad (2)$$

Combine equations (1) and (2), we have:

$$s_{in}(\omega) = \left(\frac{c_{in}(\omega)}{P_n}\right)^{-\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{-\sigma} = s_n(c_{in}(\omega)) \quad (3)$$

1.2.2 Derive $P_n^{1-\sigma}$

Also, we want to derive the expression of $P_n = \sum_i \nu_{in}^P M_i T_{in}^{\bar{\theta}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{in}^P &= \theta \int_0^{c_n^*} p_{in}(c) s_{in}(c) c^{\theta-1} dc \\ &= \theta \int_0^{c_n^*} \frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1} \times c \times \left(\frac{c}{P_n}\right)^{-\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{-\sigma} c^{\theta-1} dc \\ &= \theta \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{1-\sigma} P_n^\sigma \frac{1}{\theta - \sigma + 1} (c_n^*)^{\theta - \sigma + 1} \end{aligned}$$

We got:

$$P_n^{1-\sigma} = \frac{\theta}{\theta - \sigma + 1} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{1-\sigma} (c_n^*)^{\theta - \sigma + 1} \sum_i M_i T_{in}^{\bar{\theta}} \quad (4)$$

1.2.3 Combine the Numerator and Denominator

Define the cutoff profit $\pi_n(c_n^*) = \tilde{\pi}_n = w_n F_n = s_n(c_n^*)^{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma}} \frac{X_n}{\sigma}$ and plug in equation (4):

$$\begin{aligned} w_n F_n (c_n^*)^\theta &= s_n(c_n^*)^{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma}} \frac{X_n}{\sigma} (c_n^*)^\theta \\ &= \left(\frac{c_n^*}{P_n}\right)^{1-\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}\right)^{1-\sigma} \frac{X_n}{\sigma} (c_n^*)^\theta \\ &= \frac{X_n}{\sigma} \frac{\theta - \sigma + 1}{\theta} \frac{1}{\sum_k M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}}} \end{aligned}$$

The numerator is:

$$w_n F_n (c_n^*)^\theta M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}} = \frac{X_n}{\sigma} \frac{\theta - \sigma + 1}{\theta} \frac{M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}}}{\sum_k M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}}} = \frac{X_n}{\sigma} \frac{\theta - \sigma + 1}{\theta} \lambda_{kn}$$

The denominator is:

$$X_{kn} = \lambda_{kn} * X_n$$

Finally,

$$\frac{w_n F_n (c_n^*)^\theta M_k T_{kn}^{\bar{\theta}}}{X_{kn}} = \frac{\theta - \sigma + 1}{\theta \sigma} \quad (5)$$

1.3 Equilibrium Conditions under CES

- Labor Market clearing

$$w_i L_i = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sigma}\right) \sum_{n=1}^N X_{in} + \frac{\theta - \sigma + 1}{\theta \sigma} X_i + \frac{\sigma - 1}{\theta \sigma} \sum_{n=1}^N X_{in} \quad (6)$$

- The firm mass:

$$M_i w_i f^e = \frac{\sigma - 1}{\theta \sigma} \sum_{n=1}^N X_{in} \quad (7)$$

- Total expenditure:

$$X_i = w_i L_i \quad (8)$$

- Cutoff profit $\tilde{\pi}_n = w_n F_n$:

$$w_n F_n = \frac{1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma - 1} c_n^*\right)^{1-\sigma} P_n^{\sigma-1} X_n \quad (9)$$

- The cutoff cost c_n^* :

$$c_n^* = \frac{\sigma - 1}{\sigma} \left[\frac{\sigma w_n F_n}{P_n^{\sigma-1} X_n} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \quad (10)$$

- Price index P_n :

$$P_n^{1-\sigma} = \frac{\theta}{\theta - \sigma + 1} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma - 1}\right)^{1-\sigma} (c^*)^{\theta-\sigma+1} \sum_{i=1}^N M_i T_{in}^{\bar{\theta}} \quad (11)$$

1.4 Equilibrium Outcomes if $\epsilon = 0$ & $\tau_{in} = 2, i \neq n$

- $w = [0.5801; 0.4199]$
- $M = [2.5001; 1.6666]$
- $P = [0.4688; 0.3066]$
- $D = [\frac{4}{3}; \frac{4}{3}]$

2 General Utility ($\epsilon \neq 0$)

The equilibrium outcomes $(w_i, M_i, P_i, D_i, c_i^*)$:

- $w = [0.5801; 0.4199]$
- $M = [2.3926; 2.5416]$
- $P = [0.4326; 0.4376]$
- $D = [1.4314; 0.9976]$
- $c_i^* = [0.4559; 0.2830]$
- $welfare = [0.063; 0.0424]$
- We can also easily verify the $c_n^* < \min \left\{ \frac{1}{T_{in}}, \frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} \exp(\frac{1}{\epsilon}) D_n P_n \right\}$ (Please refer to the code)

By the Monte-Carlo integration, we have the aggregate markup $\bar{\mu}_i^D = \left[\frac{\theta}{\nu_n^P} \sum_{j=1}^J s_n^j (c_n^j)^\theta \right]^{-1}$:

- $\bar{\mu}_i^D = [0.0006; 0.0039]$

3 If $\tau_{in} = 1.5, i \neq n$

3.1 CES Utility

3.2 Non-CES Utility

3.3 Discussion