

# 1 Gross and Value Added Production functions

Gross value added:

$$\tilde{Y}_j = \tilde{A}_j \left[ k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \right]^{1-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j}$$

$$x_j = \left[ \sum_i (\omega_{ij}^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma^X}{\sigma^X - 1}}$$

Accounting identity (real terms)

$$\tilde{Y}_j = \sum_i x_{ji} + C_j + I_j$$

Demand of  $x_j$

$$x_j = \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{\tilde{P}_x} \tilde{Y}_j$$

Demand of  $x_{ij}$

$$x_{ij} = \omega_{ij}^X \left( \frac{\tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_x} \right)^{-\sigma^X} x_j$$

Combining these expressions:

$$x_{ij} = \omega_{ij}^X \left( \frac{\tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_x} \right)^{-\sigma^X} \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{\tilde{P}_x} \tilde{Y}_j$$

Substitute in the accounting identity for output of sector  $j$ :

$$\tilde{Y}_j = \sum_i \nu_i \omega_{ji}^X \left( \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{\tilde{P}_x} \right)^{-\sigma^X} \frac{\tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_x} \tilde{Y}_i + C_j + I_j$$

Simplifying example without investment

$$\tilde{Y}_j = \sum_i \nu_i \omega_{ji}^X \left( \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{\tilde{P}_x} \right)^{-\sigma^X} \frac{\tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_x} \tilde{Y}_i + C_j$$

Consumption aggregator

$$C = \left[ \sum_j (\omega_j^C)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^C}} C_j^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma^C}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma^C}{\sigma^C - 1}}$$

## 2 Solving the simplified model

Aggregation of intermediates for sector  $j$  :

$$\max_{(x_{ij})_i} P_{xj} \left[ \sum_i (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma^X}{\sigma^X-1}} - \sum_i \tilde{P}_i x_{ij}$$

FOCs:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{xj} \left[ \sum_i (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} \right]^{\frac{\sigma^X}{\sigma^X-1}-1} (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} &= \tilde{P}_i \\ P_{xj} \left[ \sum_i (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X-1}} (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} &= \tilde{P}_i \\ P_{xj} x_j^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (\omega_i^X)^{\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} (x_{ij})^{-\frac{1}{\sigma^X}} &= \tilde{P}_i \\ x_{ij} &= \omega_{ij}^X \left( \frac{P_{xj}}{\tilde{P}_i} \right)^{\sigma^X} x_j \\ P_{xj} &= \left[ \sum_i \omega_{ij}^X \left( \tilde{P}_i \right)^{1-\sigma^X} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma^X}} \end{aligned}$$

Producer's problem sector  $j$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x_j} \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \right)^{1-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j} - P_{xj} x_j, \\ \nu_j \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \right)^{1-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j-1} &= P_{xj} \\ x_j &= \left( \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{P_{xj}} \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\nu_j}} k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \end{aligned}$$

Define value-added production as the problem where we have solved-out intermediates. We start from the accounting definition of nominal value added being equal to nominal gross output minus intermediate expenditures and rearrange

$$\begin{aligned} P_j Y_j &= \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{P_{xj}} \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{\nu_j}{1-\nu_j}} k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} - P_{xj} \left( \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{P_{xj}} \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\nu_j}} k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \\ &= \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{P_{xj}} \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{\nu_j}{1-\nu_j}} (1 - \nu_j) k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j} \end{aligned}$$

We want to obtain an expression for “real” value added:

$$Y_j = A_j k_j^{\alpha_j} l_j^{\eta_j} n_j^{1-\alpha_j-\eta_j}$$

We start from the nominal expression and check which parts need to be equal in the VA value added representation and definition:

$$\begin{aligned} P_j A_j &= \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( \nu_j \frac{\tilde{P}_j}{\left[ \sum_i \omega_{ij}^X \left( \tilde{P}_i \right)^{1-\sigma^X} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma^X}}} \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{\nu_j}{1-\nu_j}} (1 - \nu_j) \\ &= \left( \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\nu_j}} \left( \frac{\nu_j}{\left[ \sum_i \omega_i^X \left( \tilde{P}_i \right)^{1-\sigma^X} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma^X}}} \right)^{\frac{\nu_j}{1-\nu_j}} (1 - \nu_j) \\ \left( \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\nu_j}} &= \frac{P_j A_j}{1 - \nu_j} \left( \frac{\left[ \sum_i \omega_i^X \left( \tilde{P}_i \right)^{1-\sigma^X} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma^X}}}{\nu_j} \right)^{\frac{\nu_j}{1-\nu_j}} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, think about a firm combining intermediates and VA to produce gross output. Solving the problem of a firm combining value added and the intermediate aggregate of sector  $j$  we obtain the price deflator for VA

$$\begin{aligned} \max & \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j y_j^{1-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j} - P_j y_j - P_{xj} x_j \\ (1 - \nu_j) \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j y_j^{-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j} &= P_j \\ \nu_j \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j y_j^{1-\nu_j} x_j^{\nu_j-1} &= P_{xj} \\ \frac{1 - \nu_j}{\nu_j} \frac{x_j}{y_j} &= \frac{P_j}{P_{xj}} \\ (1 - \nu_j) \tilde{P}_j \tilde{A}_j \left( \frac{\nu_j}{1 - \nu_j} \frac{P_j}{P_{xj}} \right)^{\nu_j} &= P_j \\ \tilde{P}_j &= \frac{1}{\tilde{A}_j} \left( \frac{P_j}{1 - \nu_j} \right)^{1-\nu_j} \left( \frac{P_{xj}}{\nu_j} \right)^{\nu_j} \\ \tilde{P}_j &= \frac{1}{\tilde{A}_j} \left( \frac{P_j}{1 - \nu_j} \right)^{1-\nu_j} \left( \frac{\left[ \sum_i \omega_{ij}^X \left( \tilde{P}_i \right)^{1-\sigma^X} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma^X}}}{\nu_j} \right)^{\nu_j} \end{aligned}$$

[there may be some typos, inconsistencies, please point them out if you find them]