

Model Setup

Everything is the same as in the main document.

Bellman Equations

Worker

$$U_t^j(x) = \underbrace{b(x, j, z_t)}_{\text{instant utility}} + \beta \max_{\phi_u^j(x)} \left\{ \underbrace{-c(\phi_u^j(x))}_{\text{cost of search strategy}} + \right. \\ \left. \mathbb{E}_t \sum_{j' \in \mathcal{J}} \underbrace{\phi_u^j(x, j')}_{\text{weight by probability of search in } j'} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{no offer, stays unemployed now in } j' \\ \underbrace{(1 - p_{t+1}^{j'}) U_{t+1}^{j'}(x)} \end{array} \right] \right. \\ \left. + p_{t+1}^{j'} \underbrace{\int \max \{U_{t+1}^{j'}(x), W_{0,t+1}^{j \rightarrow j'}(x, y)\} \frac{v_{t+1}^{j'}(y)}{V_{t+1}^{j'}} dy}_{\text{if offer, pays cost, moves to } j \text{ and then is matched randomly with some firm}} \right] \Bigg\}$$

Value of a match

$$J_t^j(x, y) = \underbrace{f(x, y, j, z_t)}_{\text{match value added}} + \beta \mathbb{E}_t \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{match is destroyed} \\ \underbrace{(1 - \lambda_{t+1}^j(x, y))}_{\text{worker gets unemployment value}} \underbrace{U_{t+1}^j(x)} \end{array} + \right. \\ \underbrace{(\lambda_t^j(x, y)) \max_{\phi_s^j(x)} \left\{ -c(\phi_s^j(x)) + \sum_{j' \in \mathcal{J}} \phi_s^j(x, j') \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{no new offers} \\ \underbrace{(1 - sp_t^{j'})}_{\text{stays with same firm}} \underbrace{J_{t+1}^j(x, y)} \end{array} \right] \right\}}_{\text{match survives}} \left. + \right. \\ \left. sp_t^{j'} \underbrace{\int \max \{J_{t+1}^j(x, y), W_{1,t+1}^{j \rightarrow j'}(x, y', y)\} \frac{v_{t+1}^{j'}(x)}{V_{t+1}^{j'}} dy'}_{\text{worker only accepts new offers if value is greater than current match}} \right]$$

Bargaining

I use the same bargaining as in [\(Cahuc, Postel-Vinay, and Robin 2006\)](#) this have the following implications for the value that a worker gets from a match:

- Unemployed worker in location j when matched with firm y in location j' gets:

$$W_0^{j \rightarrow j'}(x, y) = (1 - \mu)U^{j'}(x) + \mu[J^{j'}(x, y) - F^{j' \rightarrow j}] = U^j(x) + \mu(J^{j'}(x, y) - [U^j(x) + F^{j' \rightarrow j}])$$

- Worker employed in location j by firm y when matched with firm y' in location j' gets:

$$W_1^{j \rightarrow j'}(x, y) = (1 - \mu)J^j(x, y) + \mu[J^{j'}(x, y') - F^{j' \rightarrow j}] = J^j(x, y) + \mu(J^{j'}(x, y') - J^j(x, y) - F^{j' \rightarrow j})$$

Plugging this into the Bellman equations we get:

Worker

$$\begin{aligned} U_t^j(x) &= b(x, j, z_t) + \beta \max_{\phi_u^j(x)} \left\{ -c(\phi_u^j(x)) + \mathbb{E}_t \sum_{j' \in \mathcal{J}} \phi_u^j(x, j') \left[(1 - p_{t+1}^{j'}) U_{t+1}^{j'}(x) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + p_{t+1}^{j'} \int \max \left\{ U_{t+1}^{j'}(x), U_{t+1}^j(x) + \mu \left(J_{t+1}^{j'}(x, y) - [U_{t+1}^j(x) + F^{j' \rightarrow j}] \right) \right\} \frac{v_{t+1}^{j'}(y)}{V_{t+1}^{j'}} dy \right] \right\} \\ &= b(x, j, z_t) + \beta \max_{\phi_u^j(x)} \left\{ -c(\phi_u^j(x)) + \mathbb{E}_t \sum_{j' \in \mathcal{J}} \phi_u^j(x, j') \left[(1 - p_{t+1}^{j'}) U_{t+1}^{j'}(x) + p_{t+1}^{j'} U_{t+1}^{j'}(x) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + p_{t+1}^{j'} \mu \int \max \left\{ 0, J_{t+1}^{j'}(x, y) - [U_{t+1}^j(x) + F^{j' \rightarrow j}] \right\} \frac{v_{t+1}^{j'}(y)}{V_{t+1}^{j'}} dy \right] \right\} \\ &= b(x, j, z_t) + \beta \max_{\phi_u^j(x)} \left\{ \mathbb{E} - c(\phi_u^j(x)) + \mathbb{E}_t \sum_{j' \in \mathcal{J}} \phi_u^j(x, j') \left[\right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + p_{t+1}^{j'} \mu \int \max \left\{ 0, J_{t+1}^{j'}(x, y) - [U_{t+1}^j(x) + F^{j' \rightarrow j}] \right\} \frac{v_{t+1}^{j'}(y)}{V_{t+1}^{j'}} dy \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Value of a match

References

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