

Trade, Migration, and Unemployment

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Questions

- ▶ Why is unemployment different across places?
- ▶ How do foreign shocks affect the spatial distribution of unemployment?

Outline of the Model

- ▶ I integrate search and matching into Caliendo, Dvorkin & Parro (2019).
- ▶ Unemployment rates for newcomers and those who have been employed are different.

Preferences (1)

The employed in j in t have privilege.

- They will have a higher chance to be hired in j in $t + 1$.

The value of the employed:

$$\begin{aligned} v_t^{j,e} = & U \left((1 - l_t) \frac{w_t^j}{P_t^j} \right) \\ & + \max \left\{ \beta [e_{t+1}^{j,e} \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{j,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{j,e}) \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{j,u}] - \tau^{jj} + v \varepsilon_t^{jj}, \right. \\ & \left. \max_{n \neq j} \left\{ \beta [e_{t+1}^{n,N} \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N}) \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n} + v \varepsilon_t^{j,n} \right\} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Preferences (2)

The value of the unemployed:

$$v_t^{j,u} = U \left((1 - l_t) \frac{b^j w_t^j}{P_t^j} \right) + \max_n \left\{ \beta [e_{t+1}^{n,N} \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N}) \mathbb{E} v_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n} + v \varepsilon_t^{j,n} \right\} \quad (2)$$

Expected Values (1)

The expected value of the employed:

$$\begin{aligned} V_t^{j,e} = & U \left((1 - l_t) \frac{w_t^j}{p_t^j} \right) \\ & + v \log \left[\exp \left(\beta [e_{t+1}^{j,e} V_{t+1}^{j,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{j,e}) V_{t+1}^{j,u}] - \tau^{j,j} \right)^{1/v} \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{n \neq j} \exp \left(\beta [e_{t+1}^{n,N} V_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N}) V_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n} \right)^{1/v} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Expected Values (2)

The expected value of the unemployed:

$$V_t^{j,u} = U \left((1 - \iota_t) \frac{b^j w_t^j}{P_t^j} \right) + v \log \left[\sum_n \exp \left(\beta [e_{t+1}^{n,N} V_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N}) V_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n} \right)^{1/v} \right] \quad (4)$$

Migration of the Employed

The migration share from j to $n \neq j$ of the employed:

$$\mu_t^{j,n \neq j|e} = \frac{\exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{n,N} V_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N}) V_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n}\right)^{1/\nu}}{\exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{j,e} V_{t+1}^{j,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{j,e}) V_{t+1}^{j,u}] - \tau^{j,j}\right)^{1/\nu} + \sum_{k \neq j} \exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{k,N} V_{t+1}^{k,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{k,N}) V_{t+1}^{k,u}] - \tau^{j,k}\right)^{1/\nu}} \quad (5)$$

j to j :

$$\mu_t^{j,j|e} = \frac{\exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{j,e} V_{t+1}^{j,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{j,e}) V_{t+1}^{j,u}] - \tau^{j,j}\right)^{1/\nu}}{\exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{j,e} V_{t+1}^{j,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{j,e}) V_{t+1}^{j,u}] - \tau^{j,j}\right)^{1/\nu} + \sum_{k \neq j} \exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{k,N} V_{t+1}^{k,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{k,N}) V_{t+1}^{k,u}] - \tau^{j,k}\right)^{1/\nu}} \quad (6)$$

Migration of the Unemployed

The migration share from j to n of the unemployed:

$$\mu_t^{j,n|u} = \frac{\exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{n,N}V_{t+1}^{n,e} + (1 - e_{t+1}^{n,N})V_{t+1}^{n,u}] - \tau^{j,n}\right)^{1/v}}{\sum_k \exp\left(\beta[e_{t+1}^{k,N}V_{t+1}^k + (1 - e_{t+1}^{k,N})V_{t+1}^k] - \tau^{j,k}\right)^{1/v}} \quad (7)$$

Population Dynamics

Labor forces evolve as

$$L_t^j = \sum_n \mu_{t-1}^{n,j|e} E_{t-1}^n + \sum_n \mu_{t-1}^{n,j|u} U_{t-1}^n \quad (8)$$

"Newcomers" evolve as

$$\begin{aligned} N_t^j &= \sum_{n \neq j} \mu_{t-1}^{n,j|e} E_{t-1}^n + \sum_n \mu_{t-1}^{n,j|u} U_{t-1}^n \\ &= L_t^j - \mu_{t-1}^{j,j|e} E_{t-1}^j \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

The remaining is $EK + \text{job search}$.

Producers

- ▶ The unit cost of producing $x \in [0, 1]$ in region j is

$$\frac{(w_t^j + \Delta_t^j)^\beta (P_t^j)^{1-\beta}}{z_t^j(x)}. \quad (10)$$

- ▶ Δ_t^j : the cost of hiring one unit of labor
- ▶ $z_t^j(x) \sim F_t^j(x) = \exp \left[- \left(\frac{x}{T_t^j} \right)^{-\theta} \right]$.

Matching Function and Employment

- ▶ The matching function is

$$E_t^j = \Xi_t^j (a^e \mu_{t-1}^{j,j|e} E_{t-1}^j + a^N N_t^j)^\zeta (V_t^j)^{1-\zeta} \quad (11)$$

- ▶ presumably $a^e > a^N$.
 - ▶ constant returns to scale.
- ▶ Unemployment is

$$U_t^j = L_t^j - E_t^j \quad (12)$$

Expressions per Effective Job Seekers

- Define effective job seekers

$$\tilde{L}_t^j = a^e \mu_{t-1}^{j,j|e} E_{t-1}^j + a^N N_t^j. \quad (13)$$

- Let

$$m_t^j = \frac{E_t^j}{\tilde{L}_t^j}, \quad \lambda_t^j = \frac{V_t^j}{\tilde{L}_t^j}. \quad (14)$$

- Then the matching function is

$$m_t^j = \Xi^j (\lambda_t^j)^{1-\zeta}. \quad (15)$$

- The employment rates for the two classes are

$$e_t^{j,e} = a^e m_t^j, \quad e_t^{j,N} = a^N m_t^j. \quad (16)$$

Wage Bargaining

- ▶ Let $r_t^j(x)$ be the revenue of producer x from the marginal employee.
- ▶ Suppose that producer x in j and its employees have the equal bargaining power.
- ▶ Then the Nash bargaining problem is

$$\max_{w_t^j(x)} \left[r_t^j(x) - w_t^j(x) \right]^{1/2} \left[w_t^j(x) - b_t^j \right]^{1/2}. \quad (17)$$

- ▶ The non-cooperative foundation is from Brugemann, Gautier and Menzio (2020).
- ▶ The FOC is $w_t^j(x) - b_t^j = r_t^j(x) - w_t^j(x)$.
- ▶ Then $w_t^j(x) = b_t^j + \Delta_t^j \equiv w_t^j$. Proof
- ▶ Recall $b_t^j = b^j w_t^j$.
- ▶ The unit labor cost is $w_t^j + \Delta_t^j = (2 - b^j) w_t^j$.

Vacancy Posting

- ▶ A producer casts a vacancy by paying v_t^j in terms of final goods.
- ▶ An identity on the aggregate hiring costs:

$$\Delta_t^j E_t^j = v_t^j P_t^j V_t^j \quad (18)$$

Equivalently,

$$(1 - b_t^j) w_t^j E_t^j = v_t^j P_t^j \tilde{L}_t^j \lambda_t^j. \quad (19)$$

EK formulas

- ▶ Trade shares are

$$\pi_t^{n,j} = \frac{T_t^n [((2 - b^n)w_t^n)^\beta (P_t^n)^{1-\beta} d^{n,j}]^{-\theta}}{\sum_k T_t^k [((2 - b^k)w_t^k)^\beta (P_t^k)^{1-\beta} d^{k,j}]^{-\theta}} \quad (20)$$

- ▶ Price indices are

$$P_t^j = G \left(\sum_k T_t^k [((2 - b^k)w_t^k)^\beta (P_t^k)^{1-\beta} d^{k,j}]^{-\theta} \right)^{-1/\theta} \quad (21)$$

Federal Tax

Unemployment benefits are financed by the labor income tax.

$$l_t = \frac{\sum_n b^n w_t^n U_t^n}{\sum_n (w_t^n E_t^n + b^n w_t^n U_t^n)} \quad (22)$$

Balanced Trade

- Expenditures are

$$X_t^j = (w_t^j E_t^j + b^j w_t^j U_t^j) + \frac{1-\beta}{\beta} (2-b^j) w_t^j E_t^j. \quad (23)$$

- The labor cost is a constant share of revenue

$$(2-b^j) w_t^j E_t^j = \beta \sum_n \pi_t^{j,n} X_t^n. \quad (24)$$

Temporary Equilibrium

► Let $(\pi_t)_{n,j} = \pi_t^{n,j}$, $(w_t)_j = w_t^j$ and so on.

Given $\{\mu_{t-1}^e, \mu_{t-1}^u, L_t, E_{t-1}, U_{t-1}\}$, a temporary equilibrium is a tuple of $\{l_t, X_t, \pi_t^{n,j}, E_t, U_t, w_t, P_t, \lambda_t\}$ such that all static conditions hold.

Sequential Equilibrium

Given $\{L_0, E_0, U_0\}$, a sequential equilibrium is a tuple of $\{\mu_t^e, \mu_t^u\}_{t=0}^\infty$, $\{V_t^e, V_t^u\}_{t=1}^\infty$, $\{L_t, E_t, U_t\}_{t=1}^\infty$, $\{\iota_t, X_t, \pi_t, E_t, U_t, w_t, P_t, \lambda_t\}_{t=1}^\infty$ satisfying

1. dynamic location choices,
2. temporary equilibria

in any t .

Stationary Equilibrium

A stationary equilibrium is a sequential equilibrium such that all objects are time-invariant.

Wage Determination

Back

- Recall that the profits are

$$\Pi_t^j(x) = p_t^j(x)y_t^j(x) - [w_t^j(x) + \Delta_t^j]E_t^j(x) - P_t^jM_t^j(x). \quad (25)$$

- The FOC w.r.t. $E_t^j(x)$ is

$$r_t^j(x) \equiv \frac{\partial p_t^j(x)y_t^j(x)}{\partial E_t^j(x)} = w_t^j(x) + \Delta_t^j. \quad (26)$$

- Recall the FOC from the Nash bargaining

$$w_t^j(x) - b_t^j = r_t^j(x) - w_t^j(x). \quad (27)$$

- (26) and (27) imply

$$w_t^j(x) = b_t^j + \Delta_t^j. \quad (28)$$