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# An Unified Consumption and Production Model for a Closed Economy

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Abstract: The article presents an unified consumption and production model for a closed economy.

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## 1. Introduction

Let consider n goods:  $G_1$ , ..., $G_n$  whose elasticity of utility is constant, their prices being  $p_1$ , ...,  $p_n$ . For a consumer whose available income is V, the utility function corresponding to the consumption of  $x_p$  units of good  $G_p$ ,  $p=\overline{1,n}$ :  $U(x_1,...,x_n)=Ax_1^{\alpha_1}...x_n^{\alpha_n}$  where  $\alpha_p$  is the elasticity of utility in relation to the good  $G_p$ , and A is a positive constant.

The issue of maximizing the utility relative to the restriction:  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} p_k x_k \le V$  is:

$$\begin{cases} \max U(x_1,...,x_n) \\ \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_k x_k \le V \\ x_1,...,x_n \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

Considering the Lagrangeian:

$$\Phi(x_1,...,x_n,\lambda) = U(x_1,...,x_n) + \lambda \left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_k x_k - V\right)$$

the maximum condition with restrictions must satisfy:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_{j}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x_{j}} + \lambda p_{j} = 0, j = \overline{1, n} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \lambda} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j} x_{j} - V = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_{j} A x_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} ... x_{j}^{\alpha_{j}-1} ... x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}} + \lambda p_{j} = 0, j = \overline{1, n} \\ \sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j} x_{j} - V = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_{j} A x_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} ... x_{j}^{\alpha_{j}-1} ... x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}} + \lambda p_{j} = 0, j = \overline{1, n} \end{cases}$$

$$-\sum_{j=1}^{n}\frac{\alpha_{j}Ax_{1}^{\alpha_{1}}...x_{j}^{\alpha_{j}-1}...x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}}}{\lambda}x_{j}-V=0 \iff \frac{Ax_{1}^{\alpha_{1}}...x_{j}^{\alpha_{j}}...x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}}}{\lambda}\sum_{j=1}^{n}\alpha_{j}+V=0 \iff \frac{Ax_{1}^{\alpha_{1}}...x_{j}^{\alpha_{n}}...x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}}}{\lambda}$$

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$$\lambda = -\frac{Ax_1^{\alpha_1}...x_j^{\alpha_j}...x_n^{\alpha_n}\sum_{j=1}^n\alpha_j}{V}\;.$$

By re-replacing, we get the optimal solution to the problem:

$$x_{j}^{*} = \frac{\alpha_{j}V}{p_{j}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{j}}, j = \overline{1,n}$$

Let us also consider a producer with a number of K capital units, having the price of  $p_K$  and L workers whose hourly wage is w for a working time t. If the elasticity of production in relation to capital and labor are constant, the function of production is:  $Q(t,K,L) = CK^{\beta}L^{\gamma}$  where  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the elasticities of production in relation to the capital, respectively the labor, C being a constant.

Total cost of production:  $CT = p_K K + twL$  leads to a gross profit corresponding to a sales price p:  $\pi(t,K,L) = pQ(t,K,L) - CT = CpK^{\beta}L^{\gamma} - p_K K - twL \; .$ 

For a given production  $Q_0$ , the profit maximization condition returns to minimizing the total cost, so to

the problem: 
$$\begin{cases} \min\left(p_KK + twL\right) \\ CK^{\beta}L^{\gamma} = Q_0 \\ K, L \ge 0 \end{cases}.$$

Considering the Lagrangeian:

$$\Phi(x_1,...,x_n,\lambda) = p_K K + twL + \lambda (CK^{\beta}L^{\gamma} - Q_0)$$

the minimum condition with restrictions must satisfy:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial K} = p_K + \lambda \beta C K^{\beta-1} L^{\gamma} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial L} = tw + \lambda \gamma C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma-1} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \lambda} = C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma} - Q_0 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -\frac{p_K}{\beta C K^{\beta-1} L^{\gamma}} \\ \lambda = -\frac{tw}{\gamma C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma-1}} \\ C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma} - Q_0 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{p_K}{\beta C K^{\beta-1} L^{\gamma}} = \frac{tw}{\gamma C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma-1}} \\ C K^{\beta} L^{\gamma} - Q_0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{p_K}{\beta L} = \frac{tw}{\gamma K} \\ CK^{\beta}L^{\gamma} - Q_0 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} L^* = \frac{Q_0}{C} \left(\frac{p_K\gamma}{\beta tw}\right)^{\frac{\beta}{\beta + \gamma}} \\ K^* = \frac{Q_0}{C} \left(\frac{p_K\gamma}{\beta tw}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}}, \text{ and the minimum total cost:} \end{cases}$$

$$CT^* = \frac{Q_0}{C} \left( p_K \left( \frac{p_K \gamma}{\beta t w} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}} + tw \left( \frac{p_K \gamma}{\beta t w} \right)^{\frac{\beta}{\beta + \gamma}} \right).$$

The maximum profit is:

$$\pi^* \left( t, K^*, L^* \right) = pQ_0 - \frac{Q_0}{C} \left( p_K \left( \frac{p_K \gamma}{\beta tw} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}} + tw \left( \frac{p_K \gamma}{\beta tw} \right)^{\frac{\beta}{\beta + \gamma}} \right)$$

## 2. The Model

Suppose there are a number of n firms:  $F_1$ , ..., $F_n$  each having a number of  $L_i$  employees, i=1,n where we will include, for simplification, the entrepreneur of the firm. Let  $w_i$  - the average hourly wage for  $F_i$ ,  $t_i$  - the working time during the analysis period in  $F_i$ . We will also assume that  $F_i$  produces a single good (of constant elasticity):  $G_i$  whose sales price is  $p_i$ .

From the total revenue received, each employee pays a tax quota to the state budget  $\gamma$ .

For health insurance, pensions and other services that will later be paid back to employees, they pay a share  $\xi$  of the salary received. Let us consider the providers of these services (a single service  $G_{n+j}$ ,  $j=\overline{1,m}$  for each firm) as being the firms  $F_{n+1}$ , ..., $F_{n+m}$  each having  $L_{n+j}$ ,  $j=\overline{1,m}$  employees (including the entrepreneur), with  $w_{n+j}$  - the average hourly wage corresponding to the company  $F_{n+j}$  and  $t_{n+j}$  - the working time worked during the analysis period in  $F_{n+j}$ . The service price offered by  $F_{n+j}$  will be  $p_{n+j}$ ,  $j=\overline{1,m}$ .

Therefore, the tax paid by each employee will be:  $T_b = \chi w_i t_i$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n+m}$  and for public services:  $T_s = \xi w_i t_i$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n+m}$ .

The revenues available to  $F_i$  staff are therefore (for each individual employee):  $V_i = (1 - \chi - \xi) w_i t_i$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n+m}$ .

On the other hand, the amount of salaries received by service providers comes from the share  $\xi$ 

$$\text{therefore: } \xi \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} w_i t_i L_i = \sum_{j=1}^m w_{n+j} t_{n+j} L_{n+j} \ \, \text{or: } \sum_{j=1}^m w_{n+j} t_{n+j} L_{n+j} = \frac{\xi}{1-\xi} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i t_i L_i \; .$$

The entrepreneur of  $F_i$ ,  $i=\overline{1,n+m}$  will allocate the profits made for investments that will be considered as goods produced by firms. Let us consider the output of  $F_i$  as:  $Q_i(t,K_i,L_i)=C_iK_i^{\beta_i}L_i^{\gamma_i}$  where  $\beta_i$  and  $\gamma_i$  represent the constantly assumed elasticities of production relative to  $K_i$ , respectively  $L_i$ ,  $C_i$  - positive constant. At a price of capital  $p_{K_i}$ , the total cost of production in  $F_i$  becomes:  $CT_i=p_{K_i}K_i+t_iw_iL_i$ . Therefore, at a sale price  $p_i$  of the  $G_i$  asset,  $F_i$ 's profit is:

$$\pi_i \!\!= \! p_i Q_i \! \left( t, K_i, L_i \right) \!\! - \! p_{K_i} K_i - t_i w_i L_i = \! p_i C_i K_i^{\beta_i} L_i^{\gamma_i} - \! p_{K_i} K_i - t_i w_i L_i$$

The  $F_i\mbox{'s}$  firm's entrepreneur income will therefore be just that  $\pi_i,\,i{=}\,1,n+m$  .

Let considering the set S of social assistants (pensioners, people without income etc.) with a number of M people whose incomes represents a share  $\rho$  of the taxes paid by employees (the remainder being allocated to government consumption, public works etc.). Their income will therefore be:  $\rho \left(TP_b + TS_b\right) = \rho \chi \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} w_i t_i L_i \text{ and the average income per person: } \frac{\rho \chi}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} w_i t_i L_i \text{ .}$ 

In the following, we will consider that the utility function of any employee of a production, service or social assistance company will be the same for all consumers within the category (it may be different from company to company – as an example, the utility of books is different for employees of an educational establishment and another for meat producers). In addition, we will assume that all the production of a company will be sold.

Consider the utility functions for an employee of F<sub>i</sub>:  $\widetilde{U}_i(x_{i1},...,x_{i,n+m}) = A_i x_{i1}^{\alpha_{i1}}...x_{i,n+m}^{\alpha_{i,n+m}}$ ,  $i = \overline{1,n+m}$ where  $x_{ij}$  represents the quantity of good  $G_j$  consumed by an employee of  $F_i$  and for social assistants:  $\widetilde{U}_S\big(x_1,...,x_{n+m}\big) = Ax_1^{\alpha_1}...x_{n+m}^{\alpha_{n+m}} \quad \text{where } x_j \text{ represents the amount of good } G_j \text{ consumed by a social } X_j = X_j + X_$ assistant.

of the entrepreneurs in the investment activity The utility functions  $\widetilde{\widetilde{U}}_i\big(y_{i_1},...,y_{i_n}\big) = B_iy_{i1}^{\delta_{i_1}}...y_{i_n}^{\delta_{i_n}} \text{ , } i = \overline{1,n+m} \text{ where } y_{ij} \text{ represents the amount of good } G_j \text{ consumed by the } i = \overline{1,n+m} \text{ or } i$ Fi's entrepreneur.

Every employee and entrepreneurs want to maximize their utilities in the context of disposable income, so problems arise:

$$\begin{cases} \underset{k=1}{\text{max }} \widetilde{U}_i \Big( x_{i1}, \dots, x_{i,n+m} \Big) = A_i x_{i1}^{\alpha_{i1}} \dots x_{i,n+m}^{\alpha_{i,n+m}} \\ \sum_{k=1}^{n+m} p_k x_{ik} \leq \Big( 1 - \chi - \xi \Big) w_i t_i & \text{- for company employees } F_i, \ i = \overline{1, n+m} \ ; \\ x_{i1}, \dots, x_{i,n+m} \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{split} \bullet & \quad \begin{cases} \underset{n+m}{\text{max }} \widetilde{U}_{S} \big( x_{1}, \! ..., x_{n+m} \big) \! = \! A x_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} ... x_{n+m}^{\alpha_{n+m}} \\ \underset{k=1}{\overset{n+m}{\sum}} p_{k} x_{k} \leq & \frac{\rho \chi}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} w_{i} t_{i} L_{i} \\ x_{i1}, ..., x_{i,n+m} \geq 0 \end{cases} & \quad \text{- for social assistants;} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} \max \widetilde{\widetilde{U}}_{i} \big( y_{i1}, ..., y_{in} \big) = B_{i} y_{i1}^{\delta_{i1}} ... y_{in}^{\delta_{in}} \\ \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{k} y_{ik} \leq p_{i} C_{i} K_{i}^{\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{\gamma_{i}} - p_{K_{i}} K_{i} - t_{i} w_{i} L_{i} \text{ , } i = \overline{1, n+m} \text{ - for entrepreneurs.} \\ y_{i1}, ..., y_{in} \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

It follows from the above that the optimum quantities of products are:

$$x_{ij}^* = \frac{\alpha_{ij} (1 - \chi - \xi) w_i t_i}{p_j \sum\limits_{k=1}^{n+m} \alpha_{ik}}, j = \overline{1, n+m} \text{ - for company employees } F_i, i = \overline{1, n+m} \ ;$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{j}^{*} = \frac{\alpha_{j} \frac{\rho \chi}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} w_{i} t_{i} L_{i}}{p_{j} \sum_{k=1}^{n+m} \alpha_{k}}, j = \overline{1, n+m} \text{ - for social assistants;}$$

$$\bullet \qquad \qquad y_{ij}^* = \frac{\delta_{ij} p_i C_i K_i^{\beta_i} L_i^{\gamma_i} - p_{K_i} K_i - t_i w_i L_i}{p_j \sum\limits_{k=1}^{n+m} \delta_{ik}}, j = \overline{1,n+m} \ \, \text{- for entrepreneurs.}$$

Therefore, the amount of required G<sub>j</sub> needed is:

$$Q_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} L_{i} x_{ij}^{*} + M \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} x_{j}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} y_{ij}^{*} =$$

$$\frac{1-\chi-\xi}{p_{j}}\sum_{i=1}^{m+n}L_{i}\frac{\alpha_{ij}w_{i}t_{i}}{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{n+m}\alpha_{ik}}+\frac{\rho\chi\alpha_{j}\left(m+n\right)\sum\limits_{i=1}^{n+m}w_{i}t_{i}L_{i}}{p_{j}\sum\limits_{k=1}^{n+m}\alpha_{k}}+\frac{1}{p_{j}}\sum_{i=1}^{m+n}\frac{\delta_{ij}p_{i}C_{i}K_{i}^{\beta_{i}}L_{i}^{\gamma_{i}}-p_{K_{i}}K_{i}-t_{i}w_{i}L_{i}}{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{n+m}\delta_{ik}}\;,\;j=\overline{1,n+m}\;.$$

Returning to the problem of maximizing  $F_j$ 's profit for the quantity  $Q_j$  we have:

$$\begin{cases} \min\left(p_{K_{j}}K_{j}+t_{j}w_{j}L_{j}\right)\\ C_{j}K_{j}^{\beta_{j}}L_{j}^{\gamma_{j}}=Q_{j} \end{cases}, \ j=\overline{1,n+m} \\ K_{j},L_{j}\geq0 \end{cases}$$

from where:

$$\begin{cases} L_{j}^{*} = \frac{Q_{j}}{C_{j}} \left( \frac{p_{K_{j}} \gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j} t_{j} w_{j}} \right)^{\frac{\beta_{j}}{\beta_{j} + \gamma_{j}}} \\ K_{j}^{*} = \frac{Q_{j}}{C_{j}} \left( \frac{p_{K_{j}} \gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j} t_{j} w_{j}} \right)^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j} + \gamma_{j}}} \end{cases}$$

Noting for simplicity:

$$g_{j} = \frac{\left(\frac{p_{K_{j}}\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}t_{j}w_{j}}\right)^{\frac{\beta_{j}}{\beta_{j}+\gamma_{j}}}}{C_{j}p_{j}} \Rightarrow \frac{p_{K_{j}}\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}t_{j}w_{j}} = g_{j}^{\frac{\beta_{j}+\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \left(C_{j}p_{j}\right)^{\frac{\beta_{j}+\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \text{ from where: } \frac{\left(\frac{p_{K_{j}}\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}t_{j}w_{j}}\right)^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}+\gamma_{j}}}}{C_{j}p_{j}} = g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \left(C_{j}p_{j}\right)^{\gamma_{j}}_{\beta_{j}-1}$$

we find that:

$$\begin{cases} L_{j}^{*} = g_{j} \Biggl( (1 - \chi - \xi) \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} r_{ij} L_{i}^{*} + u_{j} \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} s_{i} L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} \Biggl( v_{ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - z_{i} K_{i}^{*} - f_{i} L_{i}^{*} \Biggr) \Biggr) \\ K_{j}^{*} = g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \Biggl( C_{j} p_{j} e^{\mu_{j} t} \Biggr)^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}} - 1} \Biggl( (1 - \chi - \xi) \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} r_{ij} L_{i}^{*} + u_{j} \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} s_{i} L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} \Biggl( v_{ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - z_{i} K_{i}^{*} - f_{i} L_{i}^{*} \Biggr) \Biggr) \end{cases}$$

or, in other words:

$$\begin{cases} L_{j}^{*} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j} \Big( r_{ij} \Big( 1 - \chi - \xi \Big) + u_{j} s_{i} - f_{i} \Big) L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j} v_{ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j} z_{i} K_{i}^{*} \\ K_{j}^{*} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \Big( C_{j} p_{j} \Big)_{\beta_{j}}^{\gamma_{j}-1} \Big( r_{ij} \Big( 1 - \chi - \xi \Big) + u_{j} s_{i} - f_{i} \Big) L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{i}}} \Big( C_{j} p_{j} \Big)_{\beta_{j}}^{\gamma_{j}-1} v_{ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \Big( C_{j} p_{j} \Big)_{\beta_{j}}^{\gamma_{j}-1} z_{i} K_{i}^{*} \end{cases}$$

Noting again:

• 
$$Y_{1,ij} = g_j (r_{ij} (1 - \chi - \xi) + u_j s_i - f_i)$$

- $Y_{2,ij} = g_i V_{ii}$
- $Y_{3,ij} = g_i z_i$

$$\bullet \qquad \qquad Y_{4,ij} \! = \! g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \! \left(\! C_{j} p_{j} \! \right)^{\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\! \gamma_{j}-1}_{\beta_{j}} \! \left(\! r_{ij} \! \left(\! 1 \! - \! \chi - \! \xi \right) \! + u_{j} s_{i} - f_{i} \right)$$

$$\bullet \qquad Y_{5,ij} = g_j^{\frac{\gamma_j}{\beta_j}} \left( C_j p_j \right)_{\beta_j}^{\gamma_j - 1} v_{ij}^{\gamma_j}$$

$$\bullet \qquad \qquad Y_{6,ij} = g_{j}^{\frac{\gamma_{j}}{\beta_{j}}} \Big( C_{j} p_{j} \Big)_{\beta_{j}}^{\gamma_{j}} - 1} z_{i}$$

we obtain:

$$\begin{cases} L_{j}^{*} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{1,ij} L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{2,ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{3,ij} K_{i}^{*} \\ K_{j}^{*} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{4,ij} L_{i}^{*} + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{5,ij} K_{i}^{*\beta_{i}} L_{i}^{*\gamma_{i}} - \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} Y_{6,ij} K_{i}^{*} \end{cases}, \ j = \overline{1, n+m} \end{cases}$$

The system solution will provide the optimal number of employees of each firm as well as the required capital.

On the other hand, provided that:  $\sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{n+j} t_{n+j} L_{n+j} = \frac{\xi}{1-\xi} \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{i} t_{i} L_{i}$  follows:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{n+j} t_{n+j} L_{n+j}^* = \frac{\xi}{1-\xi} \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i t_i L_i^* .$$

By replacing the above optimal solutions, we obtain the link between the two quotas (the only ones that are imposed at government level):  $\chi$  (tax) and  $\xi$  - for health insurance, pensions and other services.

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