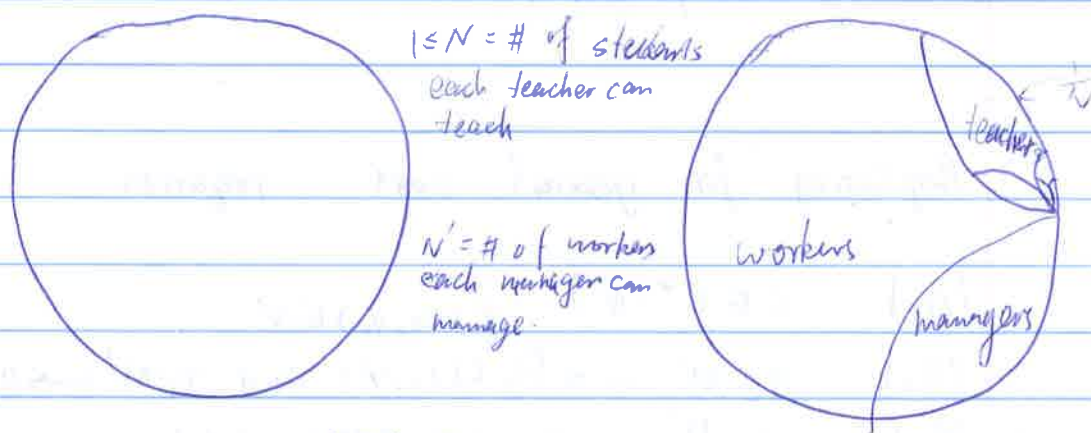


Steady state competitive equilibrium coupling academic to labor market

$$\max_{u \in \mathcal{U}^+ \text{ on } M^+} \int s(x,y) d\mu(x,y) = \inf_{\substack{s(x,y) \leq u(x) + v(y) \\ \text{① stability}}} \int u d\mu^+ + v d\mu^-$$

② supply = demand

= γ -u.e. for optimizer
③ budget constraint



$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^1 &= \pi^1 \# \varepsilon & \pi^1(k,a) &= k \\ \varepsilon^2 &= \pi^2 \# \varepsilon & \pi^2(k,a) &= a \end{aligned}$$

Model:

skill: $K = [0, \bar{K}]$, $a \in A$

$\mu \in \mathcal{P}(K)$

$\uparrow$ prior distribution of student skills

$$b_\theta(k,a) = (1-\theta)k + \theta a$$

skill occupied when student k study with a

$ce^a = w(a) =$ intrinsic satisfaction generated by having $a \in A$

$e^{b_\theta(k,a)} = S(k,a) =$ surplus generated when worker $k \in K$ work with manager $a \in A$

steady state competitive equilibrium

- each individual wants to maximize net utility
- students choose how much to invest in education
- adults choose whether to teach, manage or work, and who to match with in each case
- no individual has market power.
- adults skill distribution $\alpha \geq 0$, unknown, but self-reproducing

i.e. need to find $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{P}(K \times A)$ who studies with ^{which} teacher
 $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}(A \times A)$ who works with ^{which} manager

+ payoffs $v(a) = \text{wages of adult } a \in A$ $u, v \in C(A)$
 $u(k) = \text{net lifetime utility of } \underset{\text{student}}{k} \in K$

Competitive
stable

$$(a) \quad u(k) + \frac{v(a)}{N} \geq v(b_0(k, a)) + e^{b_0(k, a)} \quad \forall k, a \in A$$

$$(b) \quad v(k) + \frac{v(a)}{N} \geq e^{b_0(k, a)}$$

steady
state

$$2a) \quad \varepsilon' = k$$

$$2b) \quad \alpha = b_0 \# \varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{N} + \lambda' + \frac{\lambda^2}{N}$$

equilibrium

$$3a) \quad (1a)'' = \varepsilon - a.e.$$

$$3b) \quad (1b)'' = \lambda - a.e.$$

Variational Approach

$$\inf_{u, \lambda \text{ satisfying } \textcircled{1}} \int_K u(k) dk(k) = \int_{K \times A} u(k) d\varepsilon(k, a)$$

$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}$

$$\geq \sup_{\varepsilon, \lambda \text{ satisfying } \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}} \int ce^{b\theta(k, a)} d\varepsilon(k, a) + \int e^{b\theta'(k, a)} d\lambda(k, a)$$

Thm 1

In fact, "=" holds and maximal is obtained

Q: [Is the min. attained?]

WLOG have a bound on $u \in L'(dk)$

$$(1a) \text{ with } k=a \Rightarrow w(a) \geq u(a)(1 - \frac{1}{N}) + ce^a$$

$$\Rightarrow u \in L'(dk) \text{ also bounded}$$

would like something better, must accommodate possible singular behaviour at $\bar{k}$

- duality result assumes k to be doubling at $\bar{k}$.

and $c \geq 0$, $\theta, \theta', N, N' > 0$ with $\max\{\theta, \theta'\} < 1 < N$

Thm 2 (singularity result)

Under various hypothesis a singularity occurs near $\bar{k}$, most likely:

$$N\theta > 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dk}(\bar{k} - \Delta k) = \left(\frac{\text{const}}{\Delta k} \right)^{\text{power}} \left(1 + \frac{\log \theta}{\log N} \right)$$

$$N\theta < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dk}(\bar{k} - \Delta k) \rightarrow \text{const} < \infty \text{ as } \Delta k \rightarrow 0$$

Thm 3

Under the same hypothesis as Thm 1

$\exists (u, v) \in C(A^0)^2$ and $(\varepsilon, 1)$ satisfying (1-3) (a, b)

$$u(k) = \sup_{a \in A} (e^{b\theta(k, a)} + v((1-\theta)k + \theta a) - \frac{v(a)}{N})$$

$$v = \max \{v_w, v_m, v_t\} \text{ where } v_t(a) = N \sup_{k \in K} \{e^{b\theta(k, a)} + v((1-\theta)k + \theta a) - u(k)\}$$

$$v_w(a) = \sup_{a' \in A} e^{b\theta'(a, a')} - \frac{v(a')}{N'}$$

$$v_m(a) = N' \sup_{a' \in A} e^{b\theta'(a', a)} - v(a)$$

are both convex non-decreasing.

In fact, $\min \{u', u'', v', v''\} > 0$ if $c > 0$, or $N\theta^2 > 1$.

With (ε, λ) have non-decreasing spt.

If (*) holds, any equilibrium $(\hat{\varepsilon}, \hat{\lambda})$ have non-decreasing spt.

If also k has no atoms, then $(\hat{\varepsilon}, \hat{\lambda}) = (\varepsilon, \lambda)$ are unique

If also $c > 0$ and $N\theta > 1 \Rightarrow u' = \tilde{u}' \quad k\text{-a.e.}$
 $v' = \tilde{v}' \quad d := b\theta \# \varepsilon \quad \text{-a.e.}$

If also $k \geq \tilde{k} < \mathcal{H}'$, spt $\hat{k} = \tilde{k}$, then $u = \tilde{u} \quad k\text{-a.e.}$

Prop:

$$CN\theta \geq N'P^{\bar{k}} \Rightarrow \underline{a}_t \geq \max \{\bar{a}_w, \bar{a}_m\}$$

$$N'\theta' \geq e^{\bar{k}} \Rightarrow \underline{a}_m \geq \bar{a}_w$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} N\theta \geq e^{\bar{k}} \\ N'\theta' \geq e^{\bar{k}} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{least skill teacher of manager} \quad \underline{a}_t \geq \bar{a}_m$$

$$v_t \geq 1 \Rightarrow \text{education always improves skills}$$