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Technical Efficiency of the Crop Farms under the Various CAP Reforms: Empirical Studies for Germany, the Netherlands and Sweden

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Abstract

We analyse the impacts of the CAP reforms on the technical efficiency of the crop farms. We use an output distance function and an inefficiency effects model which incorporates the influences of exogenous variables on farm efficiency. We formulate policy variables (e.g. the CAP subsidies) and producer characteristics as explanatory variables in the inefficiency effects model. We use the 1995-2004 FADN data to estimate the production frontiers of the crop farms in Germany, Netherlands and Sweden, to derive their technical efficiency, and to determine the effects of the explanatory variables. The study shows that the 10-year average technical efficiency of crop farms is 59% in Germany, 75% in Netherlands, and 70% in Sweden. The average annual technical efficiency change is 0.1%, 0.7% and 2.7% respectively for Germany, Netherlands and Sweden

Key words: technical efficiency, the CAP reform, frontier models, crop farming

1. Introduction

The European Union (EU) has adopted *a series of reforms* of its Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) since 1992: the MacSharry reform (1993-1999), the Agenda 2000 (2000-2004), and the 2003 reform (after 2005 onwards). The various CAP reforms have undergone a long process from price support, to the production-related subsidies, and eventually to the decoupled payments. In response to these various reforms of the EU agricultural policies, how the farmers change their economic performance becomes an interesting question.

Theoretically, there are four mechanisms by which coupled and decoupled subsidies can have impacts on production: (i) by changing relative prices of inputs and outputs (Oude Lansink and Peerlings, 1996; Bezlepkina and Oude Lansink, 2006) (ii) through an income effect changing on- and off-farm labour supply (e.g. Newbery and Stiglitz, 1981; Hennessy, 1998; Findeis, 2002), (iii) through an income effect on investment decisions (e.g. Young and Westcott, 1994; Hubbard, 1998), and (iv) through farm growth and exit (e.g. Ahearn et al., 2005; Goodwin and Mishra, 2006). Subsidies influence farmers' behaviors due to the income effect. The income effect combined with the farm specific characteristics (e.g. managerial ability and preferences) change farmers' working motivation (i.e. on- or off-farm labour supply or leisure), investments in new technologies and reallocation of inputs and outputs. Consequently, this will change the economic and technical performance of the farms.

We may expect positive or negative effects of subsidies associated with a policy change on efficiency and productivity under different conditions. Subsidy increases technical efficiency if it provides farmers an incentive to innovate or switch to new technologies. However, technical efficiency might also decrease with the increase of subsidies, if farmers prefer more leisure with a higher income from subsidies. Thus, the income transfers *have* impacts on farms decisions through income effect but how much and in what direction in the context of CAP reform is the subject of empirical study.

Although many studies have been conducted to study the impacts of the CAP reforms at different levels, only few studies on the impacts of the CAP reforms on farm economic performance in terms of efficiency and productivity (see e.g. Brümmer et al., 2002; Hadley, 2005; Ooms and Peerlings, 2005; Coelli et al. 2006). Therefore, the objective of this paper is to analyse the impact of subsidies on technical efficiency. We employ stochastic frontier analysis (SFA) rather than a nonparametric approach (e.g. DEA), because SFA models offer a rich specification, particularly in the case of panel data and because agricultural production is likely stochastic due to unpredictable weather, disease and pest infestation. SFA offers a framework for linking the efficiency estimates of individual producers to a set of exogenous variables including producer characteristics (e.g. size, organizational type, and other structural factors such as level of human capital) and policy measures in an inefficiency effects model.

In this paper, we use an output distance function and an inefficiency effects model which incorporates the influences of exogenous variables on farm efficiency. We formulate policy variables (e.g. the CAP subsidies) and producer characteristics as explanatory variables in the inefficiency effects model. The application focuses on FADN data of crop farms in Germany, Netherlands and Sweden over the period 1995-2004. From the estimated output distance functions, we obtain the technological properties such as production elasticities, returns to scale, and technical change. Furthermore, we decompose the technical efficiency change into the contribution of each explanatory variable and the unspecified factors.

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents the SFA model and the decomposition of technical efficiency change. This is followed by a description of the data in section 3. Section 4 gives the estimated results. Finally in section we conclude.

2 A Model for Technical Efficiency

2.1 Output distance function and inefficiency effects model

The production frontier model with inefficiency effects model allows for a simultaneous estimation of technical efficiency and the impact of factors determining technical efficiency. Considering the multi-outputs nature of agricultural production, we employ an output distance function for efficiency analysis.

The vector of outputs $y \in \mathbb{R}_+^M$ and each output is indexed by m or n , m or $n=1, 2, \dots, M$. The vector $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$ and each input is indexed by j or k , j or $k=1, 2, \dots, N$. The vector of exogenous variables $z \in \mathbb{R}^J$ and each variable is indexed by p , $p=1, 2, \dots, J$. Considering the homogeneity of output distance function in outputs, we use the normalized form (see Coelli and Perelman, 1999). This leads to the following Translog specification for the i -th firm:

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln y_{1i}^t &= \beta_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \ln x_{ki}^t + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_{kj} \ln x_{ki}^t \ln x_{ji}^t \\
&+ \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_m \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=2}^M \sum_{n=2}^M \beta_{mn} \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} \ln \frac{y_{ni}^t}{y_{1i}^t} + \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_{km} \ln x_{ki}^t \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} \\
&+ \beta_t t + \frac{1}{2} \beta_{tt} t^2 + \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_{kt} \ln x_{ki}^t t + \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_{mt} \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} t + v_{it} - u_{it},
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where u_{it} is defined by:

$$u_{it} = z_{it} \delta + w_{it} = \delta_0 + \sum_{p=1}^J \delta_p z_{pit} + w_{it}. \tag{2}$$

The distributions of the error terms in the above model have the assumptions: i.e. $v_{it} \sim iid N(0, \sigma_v^2)$, $u_{it} \sim N(z_{it} \delta, \sigma_u^2)$ and $w_{it} \sim N(0, \sigma_w^2)$. The output distance function (1) and the inefficiency effects model (2) account for both technical change and time-varying inefficiency effects. *Technical efficiency (TE)* is defined (Kumbhakar and Lovell, 2000) as:

$$TE_{it} = \exp(-u_{it}). \tag{3}$$

Taking the derivative of the definition of technical efficiency (equation 3) with respect to t gives:

$$TEC = -\frac{\partial u_{it}}{\partial t} = \frac{dTE_{it}}{dt} \frac{1}{TE_{it}} = \dot{TE}_{it}. \tag{4}$$

After estimating the parameters in the above model, we can calculate some technological parameters such as the scale elasticity (elasticity of multiple outputs with respect to each input) ε_k , the returns to scale of the production RTS , technical change TC , and technical efficiency change TEC (Färe and Primont, 1995), i.e.

$$\varepsilon_k = \frac{\partial \ln D_0(x_i^t, y_i^t)}{\partial \ln x_{ki}^t} = \beta_k + \sum_j \beta_{kj} \ln x_{ji}^t + \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_{km} \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} + \beta_{kt} t \tag{5}$$

$$RTS = \sum_k^N \{ \beta_k + \sum_j \beta_{kj} \ln x_{ji}^t + \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_{km} \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} + \beta_{kt} t \} = \sum_k^N \varepsilon_k \tag{6}$$

$$TC = -\frac{\partial \ln D_{0i}^t}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \ln y_{1i}^t}{\partial t} = \beta_t + \beta_{tt} t + \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_{kt} \ln x_{ki}^t + \sum_{m=2}^M \beta_{mt} \ln \frac{y_{mi}^t}{y_{1i}^t} \tag{7}$$

$$TEC = -\frac{\partial u_{it}}{\partial t} = \frac{dTE_{it}}{dt} \frac{1}{TE_{it}} \tag{8}$$

In a discrete time context (8) becomes:

$$TEC = \frac{TE_{it} - TE_{it-1}}{TE_{it}} = 1 - \frac{TE_{it-1}}{TE_{it}} \tag{8a}$$

2.3 Decomposition of technical efficiency change

Technical inefficiency or technical efficiency is explained by a set of specified exogenous variables (vector z) and the error term w captures the influences of the other unspecified factors in the above model (equation 2). In a dynamic environment these exogenous variables are also changing over time. Therefore, technical efficiency change can also be explained by the change of z 's. Naturally, we decompose the *technical efficiency change* (TEC) into the change of these variables (z 's) and the change of the unspecified factors (w) in an inefficiency effects model. Using the definition of technical efficiency (3) and equation (2), technical efficiency can be written as: $TE_{it} = \exp(-u_{it}) = \exp(-\delta_1 z_{1it} - \delta_2 z_{2it} - \dots - w_{it})$. Totally differentiating it with respect to time t gives:

$$\frac{dTE_{it}}{dt} = TE_{it} \left(-\delta_1 \frac{dz_{1it}}{dt} - \delta_2 \frac{dz_{2it}}{dt} - \dots - \frac{dw_{it}}{dt} \right) \quad (9)$$

Rearranging (9) and using (4), we obtain

$$TEC = \dot{TE}_{it} = -\delta_1 \frac{dz_{1it}}{dt} - \delta_2 \frac{dz_{2it}}{dt} - \dots - \frac{dw_{it}}{dt}. \quad (10)$$

We use a slightly different expression for the technical efficiency change in a discrete time context ($t=1, 2, \dots, T$), i.e.

$$TEC' = \frac{TE_{it} - TE_{it-1}}{TE_{it-1}} = \frac{TE_{it}}{TE_{it-1}} - 1. \quad (11)$$

The technical efficiency change can be further decomposed as:

$$TEC'_{it} = \left(-\delta_1 \frac{dz_{1it}}{dt} - \delta_2 \frac{dz_{2it}}{dt} - \dots - \frac{dw_{it}}{dt} \right) \frac{TE_{it}}{TE_{it-1}} = tz_{1it} + tz_{2it} + \dots + tz_{Jit} + to_{it}, \quad (12)$$

where $tz_{1it} = -\delta_1 (z_{1it} - z_{1it-1}) \frac{TE_{it}}{TE_{it-1}}$, ..., and $tz_{Jit} = -\delta_J (z_{Jit} - z_{Jit-1}) \frac{TE_{it}}{TE_{it-1}}$ denote the contributions

of explanatory variables and $to_{it} = \frac{dw_{it}}{dt} \frac{TE_{it}}{TE_{it-1}}$ the contribution of unspecified factors to

technical efficiency change.

3 Data

In order to assess the change in farm's economic performance, we need farm level panel data. A consistent database for the estimation of the frontier models is the European Community's Farm Accounting Data Network (FADN). The FADN database (EU-FADN-DG AGRI-3 European

Commission, Directorate-General Agriculture, Unit AGRI.G.3 The FADN data set contains information on revenues, expenses and information on farm's structure (e.g. farm size, land use, labour use and capital stock). In order to obtain the quantity of inputs and outputs, we use the price indexes from EUROSTAT. We derive implicit quantities of inputs and outputs as the ratios of values to price indexes.

Considering the information available at the FADN database and the production structure of the crop farms, we distinguish four outputs: cereals, root crops (aggregated by potatoes and sugar beets), other crops and other products. Furthermore, we categorise three variable inputs: seeds, chemicals (aggregated by fertilisers and pesticides) and other variable inputs, and three factor inputs: capital, labour and land. Exogenous variables which may influence farm efficiency include structural variables, management variables as well as public policies (e.g. subsidies). For technical efficiency analysis, we retrieve as much information as possible from the FADN. This includes the subsidy information as above, the farm taxes paid, the farm size, the farm decision on the percentage of crop production, on labour use, land use and their financial decisions such as long-term and short term debts. Besides, the regional differences might also play a role in farmer's production efficiency; therefore it is also important to give an explicit indication of the location of the farms, which is indicated by regional dummies. Specifically, we use the explanatory variables shown in Table 1 in the empirical study. A descriptive statistics for the data are shown in Table 2.

Table 1 Variables in the inefficiency effect model and definitions

| <i>Variables (vector z)</i> | <i>Definition</i> |
|-----------------------------|--|
| z1: subsidy composition | Ratio of crop subsidies and total subsidies |
| z2: revenue composition | Ratio of total subsidy and total revenue |
| z3: farm taxes | Farm taxes and other dues |
| z4: Farm size | Farm size calculated in terms of European size units (ESU) |
| z5: specialisation | Ratio of crop production and total production |
| z6: family labour | Ratio of unpaid labour and total labour |
| z7: rented land | Ratio of rented land and total utilised land |
| z8: long term debt | Ratio of long and intermediate run loans to total assets |
| z9: short run debt | Ratio of short run loans to total assets |

Table 2 Statistical description for outputs and inputs based on FADN data

| | Mean | Std. Dev. | Minimum | Maximum |
|--|--------|-----------|---------|----------|
| Germany (Based on 1182 farms and 4755 observations) | | | | |
| <i>Outputs</i> | | | | |
| Cereals (€) | 65691 | 162584 | 60 | 2716982 |
| Root crops (€) | 57732 | 87096 | 0 | 1310043 |
| Other crops (€) | 36080 | 84833 | 0 | 1000335 |
| Other products (€) | 101876 | 311302 | 0 | 5751433 |
| <i>Variable and factor inputs</i> | | | | |
| Seeds (€) | 14402 | 29788 | 0 | 611867 |
| Chemicals (€) | 33585 | 68808 | 0 | 883116 |
| Other variable inputs (€) | 114888 | 283211 | 4369 | 5058386 |
| Capital stock (€) | 438097 | 1171747 | 2606 | 20247558 |
| Labour (hours) | 7988 | 19170 | 2208 | 313599 |
| Land (ha) | 175 | 432 | 6 | 6263 |
| Netherlands (Based on 424 farms and 1966 observations) | | | | |

| <i>Outputs</i> | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|-------|---------|
| Cereals (€) | 19579 | 19626 | 61 | 197932 |
| Root crops (€) | 141521 | 141748 | 0 | 985566 |
| Other crops (€) | 43587 | 75311 | 0 | 1210160 |
| Other products (€) | 29807 | 58196 | 0 | 775097 |
| <i>Variable and factor inputs</i> | | | | |
| Seeds (€) | 27006 | 27526 | 0 | 231492 |
| Chemicals (€) | 421621 | 363903 | 6875 | 3629547 |
| Other variable inputs (€) | 3851 | 2623 | 100 | 31846 |
| Capital stock (€) | 71 | 51 | 10 | 348 |
| Labour (hours) | 7988 | 19170 | 2208 | 313599 |
| Land (ha) | 175 | 432 | 6 | 6263 |
| Sweden (Based on 333 farms and 1009 observations) | | | | |
| <i>Outputs</i> | | | | |
| Cereals (€) | 33149 | 36301 | 5 | 272627 |
| Root crops (€) | 47203 | 66624 | 0 | 610558 |
| Other crops (€) | 15681 | 50968 | 0 | 687191 |
| Other products (€) | 39829 | 70641 | 0 | 693803 |
| <i>Variable and factor inputs</i> | | | | |
| Seeds (€) | 9200 | 12032 | 0 | 109546 |
| Chemicals (€) | 19032 | 19726 | 0 | 141428 |
| Other variable inputs (€) | 63579 | 76606 | 3385 | 660951 |
| Capital stock (€) | 295854 | 286988 | 17423 | 1909601 |
| Labour (hours) | 2808 | 2267 | 100 | 15000 |
| Land (ha) | 115 | 131 | 9 | 1523 |

4 Estimation results

4.1 Technical Efficiency (TE)

We estimate the output distance function and inefficiency effects model (see Appendix for the estimated parameters) and obtain the estimates of technical efficiency and technical efficiency change. The results are shown in Table 3.

Table 3 shows that the mean technical efficiency of the crop farms in 1995-2004 is 59% in Germany, 75% in Netherlands, and 70% in Sweden. The parameter sign of inefficiency effects model show that the ratio of the crop subsidy to the total subsidies have positive impacts on the technical efficiency of crop farms in Netherlands and Sweden, but not significant in Germany, and the ratio of the total subsidies received to the total revenue has negative impacts on the technical efficiency in three countries.

The former indicates that crop subsidy (which can be translated into *coupled subsidies*) has positive impacts on the technical efficiency indicating the motivation of improving technical efficiency is higher when farmers obtain specific coupled subsidies, while the latter (which can be translated into *decoupled subsidies*) shows that the motivation for improving technical efficiency is lower when farmers obtain higher extra income from subsidies. *This implies that coupled subsidies increase technical efficiency whereas decoupled subsidies decrease technical efficiency.*

Table 3 Technical efficiency and technical efficiency change in 1995-2004

| Year | Germany | | Netherlands | | Sweden | |
|-------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| | TE | TEC | TE | TEC | TE | TEC |
| 1995 | 0.562 | - | 0.729 | - | 0.647 | - |
| 1996 | 0.604 | 0.053 | 0.739 | 0.004 | 0.755 | 0.134 |
| 1997 | 0.591 | -0.005 | 0.746 | 0.008 | 0.744 | 0.021 |
| 1998 | 0.564 | -0.039 | 0.732 | -0.018 | 0.675 | -0.045 |
| 1999 | 0.586 | 0.025 | 0.752 | 0.008 | 0.640 | -0.013 |
| 2000 | 0.612 | 0.036 | 0.765 | 0.017 | 0.742 | 0.181 |
| 2001 | 0.614 | -0.015 | 0.736 | 0.020 | 0.686 | -0.041 |
| 2002 | 0.569 | -0.045 | 0.775 | 0.066 | 0.706 | 0.020 |
| 2003 | 0.570 | 0.006 | 0.765 | -0.013 | 0.737 | 0.087 |
| 2004 | 0.585 | 0.025 | 0.746 | -0.024 | 0.680 | -0.057 |
| Total | 0.587 | 0.001 | 0.748 | 0.007 | 0.701 | 0.027 |

4.2 Elasticity, Return to Scale (RTS) and Technical Change (TC)

The production elasticity with respect to each input for each country is reported in Table 4. We also obtain the parameters for return to scale (RTS) for each country in each year in Table 5.

Table 4 Production elasticity with respect to each of the six inputs (ε_k)

| | Germany | Netherlands | Sweden |
|-----------|---------|-------------|--------|
| Seeds | 0.029 | 0.048 | 0.008 |
| Chemicals | 0.067 | 0.050 | 0.163 |
| Others | 0.139 | 0.264 | 0.235 |
| Capital | 0.028 | 0.143 | 0.166 |
| Labour | -0.022 | 0.046 | 0.028 |
| Land | 0.628 | 0.663 | 0.426 |

Note: estimation on the mean values of the data.

Table 5 Return to Scale (RTS) and Technical Change (TC) in 1995-2004

| Year | Germany | | Netherlands | | Sweden | |
|---------|--------------|-------|--------------|--------|--------------|-------|
| | RTS | TC | RTS | TC | RTS | TC |
| 1995 | 0.935 | - | 1.258 | - | 1.045 | - |
| 1996 | 0.935 | 0.027 | 1.247 | 0.0227 | 1.042 | 0.001 |
| 1997 | 0.936 | 0.023 | 1.237 | 0.0227 | 1.038 | 0.005 |
| 1998 | 0.937 | 0.020 | 1.227 | 0.0227 | 1.034 | 0.009 |
| 1999 | 0.938 | 0.017 | 1.216 | 0.0227 | 1.031 | 0.012 |
| 2000 | 0.939 | 0.014 | 1.206 | 0.0228 | 1.027 | 0.016 |
| 2001 | 0.939 | 0.011 | 1.196 | 0.0228 | 1.024 | 0.020 |
| 2002 | 0.940 | 0.008 | 1.185 | 0.0228 | 1.020 | 0.024 |
| 2003 | 0.941 | 0.004 | 1.175 | 0.0228 | 1.017 | 0.027 |
| 2004 | 0.942 | 0.001 | 1.165 | 0.0229 | 1.013 | 0.031 |
| Average | 0.938 | 0.013 | 1.214 | 0.023 | 1.026 | 0.020 |

Table 4 shows that the production elasticity of output with respect to each input is generally positive as expected, except for the elasticity with respect to labour in Germany. This is probably due to the overuse of labour on the big German farms. Table 5 shows that crop farms in the Netherlands and Sweden exhibit increasing returns to scale, whereas those in Germany exhibit decreasing returns to scale.

The annual average technical change in the period of 1995-2004 is 1.3% for Germany, 2.3% for the Netherlands and 2.0% for Sweden. Technical change in each country has different patterns. Technical change slows down over time in Germany, although it is positive in the whole period. In the Netherlands, it is almost constant whereas in Sweden technical change increases in the period 1995-2004.

4.3 Technical Efficiency Change and its decomposition

Technical efficiency also changes over time, following the trend of the different CAP reforms. The results show that the mean technical efficiency change in the 10-year period is 0.1%, 0.7 % and 2.7% respectively for Germany, Netherlands and Sweden. That is, Sweden on average has the highest improvement in technical efficiency, while the Netherlands has the lowest increase in technical efficiency over time. However, the technical efficiency change is fluctuating over time with increase in some years but decrease in other years.

The change in technical efficiency can also be decomposed into different components. The contributions of the specified exogenous variables and the other unspecified variables to the technical efficiency change are presented in Table 6. For Germany, the contribution from the specified variables is 1.1%, while from the unspecified factors is -1.0%. Both together contribute to an average technical efficiency change of 0.1% in the time period of 1995-2004. In Netherlands, technical efficiency change in the time period of 1995-2004 is on average 0.7%, of which 2.0% is explained from the change in the specified variables and -1.3% is due to change in the unspecified factors. In Sweden, the average technical efficiency change is 2.6%, which is largely explained by the change of specified variables (2.8%); only -0.2% is explained by the change of unspecified factors.

Table 6 Contributions of specified variables and unspecified factors to tec

| | Specified variables (z) | Unspecified factors (w) | TEC |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| Germany | 0.011 | -0.010 | 0.001 |
| Netherlands | 0.020 | -0.013 | 0.007 |
| Sweden | 0.028 | -0.002 | 0.026 |

Table 7 decomposes technical efficiency change into the contributions of each specified variable. It shows in Germany the main contribution among the specified variables is from the change of z_2 (the ratio of the total subsidies to the total farm revenue) and z_5 (the degree of specialization). In Netherlands, the contribution from the specified variables is 0.1% from the change of z_1 (ratio of crop subsidy to total subsidy), -0.6% from z_2 (ratio of total subsidies to farm revenues), 0.5% from z_3 (farm tax), -0.1% from z_4 (farm size), 2.2% from z_5 (specialisation), -0.1% from z_7 (rented land). In the Netherlands, the main contributor to technical efficiency changes is therefore the degree of

specialization in crop production. In Sweden, the main contributors to technical efficiency change are the degree of specialization (1.6%), farm size (0.6%) and ratio of total subsidy to revenues (0.8%).

Table 7 Contributions of exogenous variables to TEC in 1995-2004

| | Δz_1 | Δz_2 | Δz_3 | Δz_4 | Δz_5 | Δz_6 | Δz_7 | Δz_8 | Δz_9 | Δz |
|----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| GE | -0.000 | 0.008 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.003 | 0.000 | -0.000 | -0.000 | 0.000 | 0.011 |
| NL | 0.001 | -0.006 | 0.005 | -0.001 | 0.023 | 0.000 | -0.001 | 0.000 | -0.000 | 0.020 |
| SW | -0.004 | 0.008 | 0.001 | 0.006 | 0.016 | 0.000 | 0.001 | -0.001 | 0.001 | 0.028 |

We have to acknowledge that the discussion on the technical efficiency change so far is only based on a 10-year average rate of technical efficiency change. However in different years, technical efficiency change exhibits both positive and negative rates due to the fact that the subsidies received and taxes paid over time change with CAP reforms; also the degree of specialization in crop production is changeable as a response to changes in the production environment.

5 Discussion and conclusions

We apply the stochastic frontier framework and FADN data of crop farms in three EU countries to estimate output distance functions and inefficiency effects model in the period 1995-2004, when different CAP reforms take place. We also calculate the yearly technical efficiency change and decompose the change of technical efficiency into the components of specified explanatory variables and the unspecified variables.

We find that the average technical efficiency is 59% in Germany, 75% in Netherlands and 70% in Sweden in the period of 1995-2004. The ratio of crop subsidy to the total subsidy has positive impacts on the technical efficiency in the Netherlands and Sweden but no significant impacts in Germany. The ratio of total subsidy to total farm revenue has significantly negative impacts on the technical efficiency in the three countries investigated. The study suggests that the 2003 CAP reforms (from coupled subsidy to decoupled subsidy) have profound impacts on the technical efficiency and technical efficiency change. Coupled subsidies (e.g. crop subsidy) have positive impacts on technical efficiency, whereas decoupled subsidies (e.g. part of the total subsidy in his total revenue) as an extra income reduce the motivation of the crop farmers in the sample to work efficiently.

The average annual technical efficiency change is 0.1% in Germany, 0.7% in the Netherlands and 2.6% in Sweden. Over time technical efficiency change can be explained by the change of a set of specified explanatory variables and the unspecified factors. Those specified variables (e.g. subsidy's, taxes, farm size, hired labour, and rented land as well as debts) have different contributions to the technical efficiency change in different countries. In Germany the main contributor to technical efficiency change among the specified variables is the share of crop subsidy in total subsidies. In the Netherlands specialisation is the main positive contributor, followed by farm tax, whereas the ratio of total subsidy to total revenues has a negative impact on the technical efficiency change. In Sweden the main positive contributor is specialisation, followed by the ratio of total subsidy to total revenue.

Although the impacts of crop subsidy on technical efficiency are both positive in the Netherlands and Sweden, the impacts on the technical efficiency change are not necessarily in the same direction because the latter also depends on the change rate of subsidy, which might have different signs. The important role of farm size in changing technical efficiency in the Netherlands and Sweden can be explained by the fact that crop farms in both countries exhibit increasing returns to scale.

We may draw some policy implication of the CAP reform based on this empirical study. The decoupled subsidy might not have positive impacts on the technical efficiency in the case study countries, while coupled subsidy might have positive impacts in at least the Netherlands and Sweden.

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Appendix Estimation results of output distance functions

Germany

| | Coef. | Std. Err. | z | P> z | [95% Conf. Interval] | |
|---------|----------|-----------|-------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| Lx1 | -0.10877 | 0.083749 | -1.3 | 0.194 | -0.27292 | 0.055374 |
| Lx2 | 0.47311 | 0.076145 | 6.21 | 0 | 0.323868 | 0.622352 |
| Lx3 | -0.15862 | 0.160133 | -0.99 | 0.322 | -0.47248 | 0.155233 |
| Lx4 | -0.49659 | 0.1171 | -4.24 | 0 | -0.7261 | -0.26708 |
| Lx5 | -0.65313 | 0.176531 | -3.7 | 0 | -0.99913 | -0.30714 |
| Lx6 | 1.835653 | 0.181739 | 10.1 | 0 | 1.47945 | 2.191856 |
| Ly21 | -0.43502 | 0.058599 | -7.42 | 0 | -0.54987 | -0.32016 |
| Ly31 | 0.20298 | 0.041721 | 4.87 | 0 | 0.12121 | 0.284751 |
| Ly41 | -0.57507 | 0.060435 | -9.52 | 0 | -0.69352 | -0.45662 |
| t | 0.040257 | 0.018944 | 2.13 | 0.034 | 0.003128 | 0.077385 |
| Lx1Lx1 | 0.00125 | 0.003198 | 0.39 | 0.696 | -0.00502 | 0.007517 |
| Lx1Lx2 | 0.006944 | 0.004173 | 1.66 | 0.096 | -0.00124 | 0.015123 |
| Lx1Lx3 | 0.003171 | 0.011604 | 0.27 | 0.785 | -0.01957 | 0.025913 |
| Lx1Lx4 | -4.9E-05 | 0.009115 | -0.01 | 0.996 | -0.01792 | 0.017816 |
| Lx1Lx5 | 0.02667 | 0.012133 | 2.2 | 0.028 | 0.00289 | 0.050449 |
| Lx1Lx6 | -0.04383 | 0.010792 | -4.06 | 0 | -0.06498 | -0.02267 |
| Lx1Ly21 | -0.03247 | 0.005179 | -6.27 | 0 | -0.04262 | -0.02232 |
| Lx1Ly31 | -0.01224 | 0.003168 | -3.86 | 0 | -0.01845 | -0.00603 |
| Lx1Ly41 | 0.022923 | 0.003955 | 5.8 | 0 | 0.015172 | 0.030675 |
| Lx2Lx2 | 0.019091 | 0.002267 | 8.42 | 0 | 0.014647 | 0.023534 |
| Lx2Lx3 | -0.0571 | 0.010281 | -5.55 | 0 | -0.07725 | -0.03695 |
| Lx2Lx4 | -0.01879 | 0.008283 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.03502 | -0.00255 |
| Lx2Lx5 | -0.02956 | 0.010907 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.05094 | -0.00818 |
| Lx2Lx6 | 0.030621 | 0.009947 | 3.08 | 0.002 | 0.011126 | 0.050116 |
| Lx2Ly21 | -0.01352 | 0.005182 | -2.61 | 0.009 | -0.02368 | -0.00336 |
| Lx2Ly31 | -0.00023 | 0.003166 | -0.07 | 0.941 | -0.00644 | 0.005971 |
| Lx2Ly41 | 0.03701 | 0.003805 | 9.73 | 0 | 0.029553 | 0.044467 |
| Lx3Lx3 | 0.046772 | 0.015513 | 3.01 | 0.003 | 0.016367 | 0.077178 |
| Lx3Lx4 | 0.022424 | 0.016412 | 1.37 | 0.172 | -0.00974 | 0.054591 |
| Lx3Lx5 | 0.002817 | 0.021957 | 0.13 | 0.898 | -0.04022 | 0.045851 |
| Lx3Lx6 | -0.04555 | 0.025847 | -1.76 | 0.078 | -0.09621 | 0.005112 |
| Lx3Ly21 | 0.027113 | 0.008927 | 3.04 | 0.002 | 0.009617 | 0.044608 |
| Lx3Ly31 | -0.02329 | 0.005275 | -4.42 | 0 | -0.03363 | -0.01295 |
| Lx3Ly41 | 0.062193 | 0.009812 | 6.34 | 0 | 0.042963 | 0.081423 |
| Lx4Lx4 | 0.012756 | 0.00628 | 2.03 | 0.042 | 0.000448 | 0.025065 |

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|----------|-----------|----------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Lx4Lx5 | 0.052947 | 0.016805 | 3.15 | 0.002 | 0.02001 | 0.085884 |
| Lx4Lx6 | -0.04877 | 0.019341 | -2.52 | 0.012 | -0.08667 | -0.01086 |
| Lx4Ly21 | 0.003017 | 0.008126 | 0.37 | 0.71 | -0.01291 | 0.018944 |
| Lx4Ly31 | -0.02616 | 0.003665 | -7.14 | 0 | -0.03334 | -0.01897 |
| Lx4Ly41 | 0.012531 | 0.005808 | 2.16 | 0.031 | 0.001148 | 0.023915 |
| Lx5Lx5 | 0.043893 | 0.013676 | 3.21 | 0.001 | 0.017088 | 0.070697 |
| Lx5Lx6 | -0.11273 | 0.023399 | -4.82 | 0 | -0.15859 | -0.06687 |
| Lx5Ly21 | 0.029098 | 0.008715 | 3.34 | 0.001 | 0.012018 | 0.046179 |
| Lx5Ly31 | -0.03349 | 0.005618 | -5.96 | 0 | -0.0445 | -0.02248 |
| Lx5Ly41 | 0.005745 | 0.008237 | 0.7 | 0.485 | -0.0104 | 0.02189 |
| Lx6Lx6 | 0.063451 | 0.018576 | 3.42 | 0.001 | 0.027042 | 0.099859 |
| Lx6Ly21 | -0.0114 | 0.008833 | -1.29 | 0.197 | -0.02871 | 0.005914 |
| Lx6Ly31 | 0.083428 | 0.006021 | 13.86 | 0 | 0.071627 | 0.095228 |
| Lx6Ly41 | -0.14508 | 0.0093 | -15.6 | 0 | -0.16331 | -0.12685 |
| Ly21Ly21 | -0.04321 | 0.002029 | -21.29 | 0 | -0.04719 | -0.03923 |
| Ly21Ly31 | 0.0152 | 0.002513 | 6.05 | 0 | 0.010275 | 0.020124 |
| Ly21Ly41 | 0.033578 | 0.003381 | 9.93 | 0 | 0.026952 | 0.040205 |
| Ly31Ly31 | -0.02218 | 0.000931 | -23.84 | 0 | -0.02401 | -0.02036 |
| Ly31Ly41 | 0.023673 | 0.002066 | 11.46 | 0 | 0.019623 | 0.027722 |
| Ly41Ly41 | -0.06295 | 0.001873 | -33.62 | 0 | -0.06662 | -0.05928 |
| tLx1 | 0.005424 | 0.001745 | 3.11 | 0.002 | 0.002004 | 0.008845 |
| tLx2 | -0.00161 | 0.001574 | -1.03 | 0.305 | -0.0047 | 0.001472 |
| tLx3 | -0.00622 | 0.003163 | -1.97 | 0.049 | -0.01242 | -1.8E-05 |
| tLx4 | 0.005648 | 0.002292 | 2.46 | 0.014 | 0.001157 | 0.01014 |
| tLx5 | -0.00418 | 0.002755 | -1.52 | 0.129 | -0.00958 | 0.00122 |
| tLx6 | 0.001734 | 0.003318 | 0.52 | 0.601 | -0.00477 | 0.008236 |
| tLy21 | 0.005214 | 0.001362 | 3.83 | 0 | 0.002544 | 0.007885 |
| tLy31 | -0.00262 | 0.000745 | -3.52 | 0 | -0.00408 | -0.00116 |
| tLy41 | 0.00205 | 0.001159 | 1.77 | 0.077 | -0.00022 | 0.004322 |
| tsquare | -0.00158 | 0.000457 | -3.45 | 0.001 | -0.00248 | -0.00068 |
| _cons | 4.319181 | 0.710978 | 6.07 | 0 | 2.92569 | 5.712673 |
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| mu | | | | | | |
| z1 | 0.016359 | 0.027243 | 0.6 | 0.548 | -0.03704 | 0.069755 |
| z2 | 3.065657 | 0.077777 | 39.42 | 0 | 2.913217 | 3.218098 |
| z3 | -8.85E-06 | 1.75E-06 | -5.05 | 0 | -1.2E-05 | -5.42E-06 |
| z4 | -5.2E-05 | 4.15E-05 | -1.26 | 0.206 | -0.00013 | 2.89E-05 |
| z5 | 1.108325 | 0.065568 | 16.9 | 0 | 0.979814 | 1.236836 |
| z6 | 0.106567 | 0.020352 | 5.24 | 0 | 0.066679 | 0.146455 |
| z7 | 0.048754 | 0.014318 | 3.41 | 0.001 | 0.020692 | 0.076816 |
| z8 | 0.030548 | 0.021218 | 1.44 | 0.15 | -0.01104 | 0.072134 |
| z9 | 0.114855 | 0.023256 | 4.94 | 0 | 0.069273 | 0.160437 |
| Dum2 | 0.025486 | 0.023681 | 1.08 | 0.282 | -0.02093 | 0.0719 |
| Dum3 | -0.00941 | 0.02488 | -0.38 | 0.705 | -0.05818 | 0.039352 |
| Dum4 | 0.013778 | 0.025486 | 0.54 | 0.589 | -0.03617 | 0.063729 |
| Dum5 | 0.092401 | 0.02705 | 3.42 | 0.001 | 0.039385 | 0.145418 |
| Dum6 | -0.10685 | 0.026967 | -3.96 | 0 | -0.15971 | -0.054 |
| Dum7 | -0.08237 | 0.024432 | -3.37 | 0.001 | -0.13026 | -0.03448 |
| Dum8 | 0.036625 | 0.088052 | 0.42 | 0.677 | -0.13595 | 0.209203 |
| Dum9 | 0.250104 | 0.03309 | 7.56 | 0 | 0.185249 | 0.31496 |
| Dum10 | 0.117077 | 0.047065 | 2.49 | 0.013 | 0.024831 | 0.209323 |
| Dum11 | 0.05201 | 0.030409 | 1.71 | 0.087 | -0.00759 | 0.111611 |
| Dum12 | 0.08442 | 0.031467 | 2.68 | 0.007 | 0.022745 | 0.146095 |
| Dum13 | -0.04275 | 0.038778 | -1.1 | 0.27 | -0.11875 | 0.033257 |
| _cons | -0.7831 | 0.079718 | -9.82 | 0 | -0.93934 | -0.62685 |

Netherlands

| | Coef. | Std. Err. | z | P> z | [95% Conf. Interval] | |
|----------|----------|-----------|--------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| Lx1 | 0.42966 | 0.170049 | 2.53 | 0.012 | 0.096371 | 0.76295 |
| Lx2 | 0.191188 | 0.136347 | 1.4 | 0.161 | -0.07605 | 0.458423 |
| Lx3 | 0.04392 | 0.225264 | 0.19 | 0.845 | -0.39759 | 0.48543 |
| Lx4 | -0.06308 | 0.152051 | -0.41 | 0.678 | -0.36109 | 0.234936 |
| Lx5 | -0.4961 | 0.143546 | -3.46 | 0.001 | -0.77745 | -0.21476 |
| Lx6 | -0.51044 | 0.24919 | -2.05 | 0.041 | -0.99885 | -0.02204 |
| Ly21 | -0.5669 | 0.073192 | -7.75 | 0 | -0.71036 | -0.42345 |
| Ly31 | -0.01108 | 0.025259 | -0.44 | 0.661 | -0.06058 | 0.03843 |
| Ly41 | -0.27136 | 0.056635 | -4.79 | 0 | -0.38236 | -0.16036 |
| t | 0.144064 | 0.033979 | 4.24 | 0 | 0.077466 | 0.210662 |
| Lx1Lx1 | 0.045116 | 0.012813 | 3.52 | 0 | 0.020003 | 0.070229 |
| Lx1Lx2 | -0.07672 | 0.025592 | -3 | 0.003 | -0.12688 | -0.02656 |
| Lx1Lx3 | -0.01157 | 0.036171 | -0.32 | 0.749 | -0.08247 | 0.05932 |
| Lx1Lx4 | 0.085679 | 0.026542 | 3.23 | 0.001 | 0.033657 | 0.137701 |
| Lx1Lx5 | -0.1289 | 0.027492 | -4.69 | 0 | -0.18278 | -0.07502 |
| Lx1Lx6 | -0.00909 | 0.03677 | -0.25 | 0.805 | -0.08116 | 0.062981 |
| Lx1Ly21 | 0.010976 | 0.011987 | 0.92 | 0.36 | -0.01252 | 0.034471 |
| Lx1Ly31 | -0.00179 | 0.004937 | -0.36 | 0.718 | -0.01146 | 0.007891 |
| Lx1Ly41 | 0.012504 | 0.009592 | 1.3 | 0.192 | -0.0063 | 0.031304 |
| Lx2Lx2 | 0.038019 | 0.008405 | 4.52 | 0 | 0.021546 | 0.054493 |
| Lx2Lx3 | -0.04841 | 0.030633 | -1.58 | 0.114 | -0.10845 | 0.011626 |
| Lx2Lx4 | -0.01911 | 0.024682 | -0.77 | 0.439 | -0.06748 | 0.02927 |
| Lx2Lx5 | -0.01081 | 0.01743 | -0.62 | 0.535 | -0.04497 | 0.023355 |
| Lx2Lx6 | 0.076745 | 0.034227 | 2.24 | 0.025 | 0.009661 | 0.143829 |
| Lx2Ly21 | 0.002732 | 0.012451 | 0.22 | 0.826 | -0.02167 | 0.027135 |
| Lx2Ly31 | 0.035857 | 0.008537 | 4.2 | 0 | 0.019125 | 0.052589 |
| Lx2Ly41 | 0.026696 | 0.008891 | 3 | 0.003 | 0.009269 | 0.044123 |
| Lx3Lx3 | 0.025193 | 0.030448 | 0.83 | 0.408 | -0.03448 | 0.084869 |
| Lx3Lx4 | -0.04985 | 0.039862 | -1.25 | 0.211 | -0.12798 | 0.028272 |
| Lx3Lx5 | 0.073998 | 0.034354 | 2.15 | 0.031 | 0.006665 | 0.141332 |
| Lx3Lx6 | 0.006559 | 0.051112 | 0.13 | 0.898 | -0.09362 | 0.106738 |
| Lx3Ly21 | 0.026108 | 0.020127 | 1.3 | 0.195 | -0.01334 | 0.065557 |
| Lx3Ly31 | -0.00554 | 0.007613 | -0.73 | 0.467 | -0.02046 | 0.009386 |
| Lx3Ly41 | 0.000975 | 0.014037 | 0.07 | 0.945 | -0.02654 | 0.028487 |
| Lx4Lx4 | -0.01277 | 0.017675 | -0.72 | 0.47 | -0.04741 | 0.021876 |
| Lx4Lx5 | 0.048877 | 0.027401 | 1.78 | 0.074 | -0.00483 | 0.102582 |
| Lx4Lx6 | 0.022287 | 0.036735 | 0.61 | 0.544 | -0.04971 | 0.094286 |
| Lx4Ly21 | -0.02946 | 0.014846 | -1.98 | 0.047 | -0.05856 | -0.00036 |
| Lx4Ly31 | 0.008569 | 0.006197 | 1.38 | 0.167 | -0.00358 | 0.020715 |
| Lx4Ly41 | 0.017587 | 0.009528 | 1.85 | 0.065 | -0.00109 | 0.036261 |
| Lx5Lx5 | 0.009456 | 0.01442 | 0.66 | 0.512 | -0.01881 | 0.037719 |
| Lx5Lx6 | 0.055769 | 0.037006 | 1.51 | 0.132 | -0.01676 | 0.1283 |
| Lx5Ly21 | 0.06652 | 0.016795 | 3.96 | 0 | 0.033603 | 0.099437 |
| Lx5Ly31 | -0.04323 | 0.006624 | -6.53 | 0 | -0.05621 | -0.03025 |
| Lx5Ly41 | 0.010582 | 0.009454 | 1.12 | 0.263 | -0.00795 | 0.029111 |
| Lx6Lx6 | 0.021633 | 0.04037 | 0.54 | 0.592 | -0.05749 | 0.100756 |
| Lx6Ly21 | -0.04234 | 0.02074 | -2.04 | 0.041 | -0.08299 | -0.00169 |
| Lx6Ly31 | 0.007533 | 0.008823 | 0.85 | 0.393 | -0.00976 | 0.024826 |
| Lx6Ly41 | -0.1065 | 0.014578 | -7.31 | 0 | -0.13507 | -0.07793 |
| Ly21Ly21 | -0.07164 | 0.004217 | -16.99 | 0 | -0.07991 | -0.06338 |
| Ly21Ly31 | 0.016804 | 0.003103 | 5.42 | 0 | 0.010722 | 0.022886 |
| Ly21Ly41 | 0.01945 | 0.004225 | 4.6 | 0 | 0.01117 | 0.027731 |

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|----------|----------|----------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Ly31Ly31 | -0.00434 | 0.000237 | -18.29 | 0 | -0.0048 | -0.00387 |
| Ly31Ly41 | -0.00088 | 0.001577 | -0.56 | 0.577 | -0.00397 | 0.002211 |
| Ly41Ly41 | -0.02892 | 0.001981 | -14.6 | 0 | -0.03281 | -0.02504 |
| tLx1 | 0.001241 | 0.004927 | 0.25 | 0.801 | -0.00842 | 0.010898 |
| tLx2 | 0.014154 | 0.005767 | 2.45 | 0.014 | 0.002852 | 0.025457 |
| tLx3 | -0.00675 | 0.005691 | -1.19 | 0.236 | -0.0179 | 0.004408 |
| tLx4 | -0.01036 | 0.00462 | -2.24 | 0.025 | -0.01941 | -0.0013 |
| tLx5 | -0.01172 | 0.005158 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.02184 | -0.00161 |
| tLx6 | 0.003085 | 0.006981 | 0.44 | 0.659 | -0.0106 | 0.016766 |
| tLy21 | 0.002643 | 0.002885 | 0.92 | 0.36 | -0.00301 | 0.008298 |
| tLy31 | -0.00282 | 0.001041 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.00487 | -0.00078 |
| tLy41 | 0.001428 | 0.001682 | 0.85 | 0.396 | -0.00187 | 0.004725 |
| tsquare | 1.36E-05 | 0.000782 | 0.02 | 0.986 | -0.00152 | 0.001545 |
| _cons | 3.857728 | 0.603985 | 6.39 | 0 | 2.67394 | 5.041516 |
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| mu | <hr/> | | | | | |
| z1 | -0.06737 | 0.040257 | -1.67 | 0.094 | -0.14627 | 0.011531 |
| z2 | 1.624251 | 0.141716 | 11.46 | 0 | 1.346493 | 1.902009 |
| z3 | -1.4E-05 | 2.96E-06 | -4.73 | 0 | -2E-05 | -8.21E-06 |
| z4 | 0.001492 | 0.000234 | 6.38 | 0 | 0.001034 | 0.00195 |
| z5 | 1.915545 | 0.223415 | 8.57 | 0 | 1.47766 | 2.353429 |
| z6 | 0.023949 | 0.036078 | 0.66 | 0.507 | -0.04676 | 0.09466 |
| z7 | -0.10614 | 0.023093 | -4.6 | 0 | -0.1514 | -0.06088 |
| z8 | -0.00316 | 0.023957 | -0.13 | 0.895 | -0.05011 | 0.043797 |
| z9 | 0.038211 | 0.06438 | 0.59 | 0.553 | -0.08797 | 0.164393 |
| _cons | -1.58985 | 0.212288 | -7.49 | 0 | -2.00593 | -1.17378 |

Sweden

| | Coef. | Std. Err. | z | P> z | [95% Conf. Interval] | |
|---------|----------|-----------|-------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| Lx1 | 0.600359 | 0.195411 | 3.07 | 0.002 | 0.217361 | 0.983356 |
| Lx2 | 0.442107 | 0.16957 | 2.61 | 0.009 | 0.109756 | 0.774458 |
| Lx3 | 0.419447 | 0.292895 | 1.43 | 0.152 | -0.15462 | 0.99351 |
| Lx4 | 0.325965 | 0.255107 | 1.28 | 0.201 | -0.17404 | 0.825966 |
| Lx5 | 0.661596 | 0.254662 | 2.6 | 0.009 | 0.162468 | 1.160725 |
| Lx6 | -0.79015 | 0.282642 | -2.8 | 0.005 | -1.34412 | -0.23618 |
| Ly21 | -0.49278 | 0.185171 | -2.66 | 0.008 | -0.85571 | -0.12985 |
| Ly31 | -0.0285 | 0.029992 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.08728 | 0.030284 |
| Ly41 | -0.40636 | 0.146334 | -2.78 | 0.005 | -0.69316 | -0.11955 |
| t | 0.004662 | 0.057665 | 0.08 | 0.936 | -0.10836 | 0.117682 |
| Lx1Lx1 | 0.002941 | 0.008177 | 0.36 | 0.719 | -0.01308 | 0.018968 |
| Lx1Lx2 | 0.013069 | 0.011326 | 1.15 | 0.249 | -0.00913 | 0.035266 |
| Lx1Lx3 | -0.0765 | 0.027134 | -2.82 | 0.005 | -0.12968 | -0.02332 |
| Lx1Lx4 | 0.03747 | 0.023668 | 1.58 | 0.113 | -0.00892 | 0.083857 |
| Lx1Lx5 | -0.10071 | 0.023627 | -4.26 | 0 | -0.14702 | -0.05441 |
| Lx1Lx6 | 0.063706 | 0.026845 | 2.37 | 0.018 | 0.01109 | 0.116322 |
| Lx1Ly21 | -0.00752 | 0.019859 | -0.38 | 0.705 | -0.04644 | 0.031407 |
| Lx1Ly31 | 0.005188 | 0.003657 | 1.42 | 0.156 | -0.00198 | 0.012355 |
| Lx1Ly41 | 0.033399 | 0.011253 | 2.97 | 0.003 | 0.011344 | 0.055455 |
| Lx2Lx2 | 0.046733 | 0.007292 | 6.41 | 0 | 0.032441 | 0.061025 |
| Lx2Lx3 | -0.08756 | 0.023381 | -3.74 | 0 | -0.13338 | -0.04173 |
| Lx2Lx4 | -0.02939 | 0.021164 | -1.39 | 0.165 | -0.07087 | 0.012087 |
| Lx2Lx5 | 0.004362 | 0.021208 | 0.21 | 0.837 | -0.0372 | 0.045928 |
| Lx2Lx6 | 0.00264 | 0.023741 | 0.11 | 0.911 | -0.04389 | 0.049172 |
| Lx2Ly21 | -0.01953 | 0.017979 | -1.09 | 0.277 | -0.05477 | 0.015711 |
| Lx2Ly31 | 8.33E-05 | 0.003627 | 0.02 | 0.982 | -0.00703 | 0.007193 |

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| Lx2Ly41 | 0.056086 | 0.0113 | 4.96 | 0 | 0.033938 | 0.078233 |
| Lx3Lx3 | 0.067637 | 0.034026 | 1.99 | 0.047 | 0.000947 | 0.134328 |
| Lx3Lx4 | -0.18072 | 0.041606 | -4.34 | 0 | -0.26226 | -0.09917 |
| Lx3Lx5 | 0.024327 | 0.045124 | 0.54 | 0.59 | -0.06411 | 0.112767 |
| Lx3Lx6 | 0.238703 | 0.056942 | 4.19 | 0 | 0.127099 | 0.350307 |
| Lx3Ly21 | 0.035651 | 0.029571 | 1.21 | 0.228 | -0.02231 | 0.093609 |
| Lx3Ly31 | 0.00555 | 0.004261 | 1.3 | 0.193 | -0.0028 | 0.0139 |
| Lx3Ly41 | 0.051683 | 0.021081 | 2.45 | 0.014 | 0.010365 | 0.093001 |
| Lx4Lx4 | 0.0421 | 0.021058 | 2 | 0.046 | 0.000828 | 0.083373 |
| Lx4Lx5 | -0.02191 | 0.034163 | -0.64 | 0.521 | -0.08886 | 0.045052 |
| Lx4Lx6 | 0.085072 | 0.041126 | 2.07 | 0.039 | 0.004467 | 0.165677 |
| Lx4Ly21 | -0.02559 | 0.026002 | -0.98 | 0.325 | -0.07655 | 0.025375 |
| Lx4Ly31 | 0.002192 | 0.002578 | 0.85 | 0.395 | -0.00286 | 0.007245 |
| Lx4Ly41 | -0.0092 | 0.014899 | -0.62 | 0.537 | -0.0384 | 0.019999 |
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| Lx5Lx6 | 0.16198 | 0.040502 | 4 | 0 | 0.082598 | 0.241361 |
| Lx5Ly21 | 0.095625 | 0.02526 | 3.79 | 0 | 0.046115 | 0.145134 |
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| Ly31Ly31 | -0.00132 | 0.000197 | -6.72 | 0 | -0.00171 | -0.00094 |
| Ly31Ly41 | 0.001992 | 0.001574 | 1.27 | 0.206 | -0.00109 | 0.005077 |
| Ly41Ly41 | -0.04059 | 0.005002 | -8.11 | 0 | -0.05039 | -0.03079 |
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| tLx2 | -0.00486 | 0.004461 | -1.09 | 0.276 | -0.01361 | 0.00388 |
| tLx3 | -0.01957 | 0.008327 | -2.35 | 0.019 | -0.03589 | -0.00325 |
| tLx4 | 0.011404 | 0.006918 | 1.65 | 0.099 | -0.00215 | 0.024962 |
| tLx5 | 0.000348 | 0.008178 | 0.04 | 0.966 | -0.01568 | 0.016376 |
| tLx6 | 0.006775 | 0.009242 | 0.73 | 0.463 | -0.01134 | 0.02489 |
| tLy21 | 0.010453 | 0.004258 | 2.46 | 0.014 | 0.002108 | 0.018798 |
| tLy31 | 0.000645 | 0.000803 | 0.8 | 0.422 | -0.00093 | 0.002219 |
| tLy41 | 0.002776 | 0.003296 | 0.84 | 0.4 | -0.00368 | 0.009236 |
| tsquare | 0.00189 | 0.001508 | 1.25 | 0.21 | -0.00107 | 0.004845 |
| _cons | -2.57023 | 1.099141 | -2.34 | 0.019 | -4.7245 | -0.41595 |
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| mu | | | | | | |
| z1 | -0.69179 | 0.166121 | -4.16 | 0 | -1.01738 | -0.36619 |
| z2 | 2.651806 | 0.245326 | 10.81 | 0 | 2.170976 | 3.132636 |
| z3 | 5.01E-05 | 2.45E-05 | 2.05 | 0.04 | 2.20E-06 | 9.81E-05 |
| z4 | -0.0044 | 0.00106 | -4.15 | 0 | -0.00648 | -0.00232 |
| z5 | 1.135637 | 0.158628 | 7.16 | 0 | 0.824732 | 1.446541 |
| z6 | 0.059561 | 0.140071 | 0.43 | 0.671 | -0.21497 | 0.334095 |
| z7 | -0.27406 | 0.087812 | -3.12 | 0.002 | -0.44616 | -0.10195 |
| z8 | -0.15633 | 0.096106 | -1.63 | 0.104 | -0.3447 | 0.032034 |
| z9 | 0.20524 | 0.178031 | 1.15 | 0.249 | -0.14369 | 0.554173 |
| Dum1 | -0.19945 | 0.081366 | -2.45 | 0.014 | -0.35893 | -0.03998 |
| Dum2 | -0.18071 | 0.090163 | -2 | 0.045 | -0.35742 | -0.00399 |
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