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# A Flexible Modeling Framework to Estimate Interregional Trade Patterns and Input-Output Accounts

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#### Abstract

This study implements and tests a mathematical programming model to estimate interregional, interindustry transaction flows in a national system of economic regions based on an interregional accounting framework and initial information of interregional shipments. A complete national IO table, regional sectoral data on gross output, value-added, exports, imports and final demand are used as inputs to generate an interregional input-output system that reconciles regional market data and interregional transactions. The analytical and empirical properties of the model are discussed in detail. The model is tested by a 3-region 10-sector example against data aggregated from the version 4 GTAP database. It shows that the model has remarkable capacity to discover the true interregional trade pattern from highly distorted initial estimates. The paper also discusses an application of the model to estimate an interregional input-output account for the US economy based on the BEA 1997 national benchmark IO table and detailed state level data from the 1997 economic Census and other sources.

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#### I. Introduction

A major obstacle in regional economic analysis is the lack of consistent, reliable regional data, especially data on interregional trade and inter-industrial transactions. Despite decades of efforts by regional economists, data analogous to national input-output accounts and international trade accounts, which have become increasingly available to the public today, still are generally not available even for well defined sub-national regions in many developed countries. Therefore, regional economists have had to develop various non-survey methods to estimate such data.

This paper present a flexible modeling framework to estimate interregional trade flows and input–output accounts for a national system of economic regions. The approach employed simultaneously optimizes the information gained by data available from different sources in a consistent interregional accounting system. Typically, data from different statistical sources have substantial gaps and inconstancies that preclude routine solutions from being obtained without modification. Our approach allows all relevant information to be incorporated in the data adjustment process in an internally consistent manner with an objective ranking of their relative reliabilities, and is also flexible enough in the model specification to use useful information from all possible sources. While the applications of this modeling framework may be quite broad, its design has been specifically targeted to the problem of developing spatial enhancements to a national input-output account for economies with well-defined economic sub-regions.

This paper is organized as follows. Section II specifies the modeling framework and discusses its theoretical and empirical properties. Section III tests the model by using a 3- region, 10-sector data set aggregated from the version 4 GTAP database. Test results from seven experiments were evaluated against eight Mean Absolute Percentage Error indexes. Section IV

discusses the empirical issues involved in applying such a modeling framework to estimate a 51region (50 states plus Washington DC), 38 sector inter-state input-output account for the US economy based on the BEA 1997 national benchmark IO table and detailed state level data from the 1997 economic Census and other ancillary data sets. The paper ends with conclusions and direction for future research. Appendix A contains a brief discussion of constrained matrix balancing literature. Appendix B lists the GAMS code of the model and data processing program.

# **II. A Mathematical Programming Model for Estimating Interregional Trade and Interindustrial Transaction Flows**<sup>1</sup>

Consider a national economy consisting of N sectors that are distributed over M regions. The sectors use each other's products as inputs for its own production, which is in turn used up either in further production or by consumers. Each region exports some of its products to other regions and some to other nations. They also import products from other regions and nations to meet their intermediate and final demand. Assuming a predetermined location of production that defines the structure of the national economic system of regions, the shipments of goods and services are determined by imbalances between supply and demand inside the different regions. Denote STX<sub>ir</sub>, STY<sub>ir</sub>, SVA<sub>ir</sub>, SEX<sub>ir</sub>, and SMX<sub>ir</sub> as sector i's total output, final demand, value-added, exports, and imports in region r respectively, and denote TX<sub>i</sub>, TY<sub>i</sub>, VA<sub>i</sub>, EX<sub>i</sub>, and MX<sub>i</sub> as their respective national counterparts. Also denote SHIP<sub>isr</sub> as shipment of sector i's products from region s to region r, SIX<sub>iir</sub> and IX<sub>ii</sub> as regional and national intermediate transaction from

sector i to sector j respectively. All variables are measured in annual values. In such a static national system of economic regions, the following accounting identities must hold at each given year for all  $i \in N$  and  $s, r \in M$ .

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} SIX_{jir} + SVA_{ir} = STX_{ir}$$
<sup>(1)</sup>

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} SIX_{ijr} + STY_{ir} = \sum_{s=1}^{m} SHIP_{isr} + SMX_{ir}$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

$$\sum_{s=1}^{m} SHIP_{irs} + SEX_{ir} = STX_{ir}$$
(3)

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} SIX_{ijr} = IX_{ij}$$
(4)

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} STX_{ir} = TX_i \tag{5}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} SVA_{ir} = VA_i \tag{6}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} STY_{ir} = TY_i \tag{7}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} SEX_{ir} = EX_i \tag{8}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} SMX_{ir} = MX_i \tag{9}$$

The economic meanings of each of the nine equations are straightforward: equation (1) defines the sum of sector i's intermediate and primary factor inputs equals the sector's total output in each region. Equation (2) states the sum of each region's intermediate and final demand

<sup>1</sup> The modeling framework is also a special case of constrained matrix balancing problem from mathematical perspective. It is a core mathematical structure for diverse empirical applications. See

must be met by shipments from all regions (including from its own) within the nation plus imports from other nations. Equation 3 defines a region can only ship to all regions within the nation and export to other nations what it produces<sup>2</sup>, while equations (4) –(9) are simply the facts that sums of all the region's economic activities within a nation must equal to the national totals. Having those accounting identities in mind, the estimation problem can be formally stated as follows:

Given a  $n \times m \times m$  non-negative array  $SHIP^0 = \{ship_{isr}^0\}$  and a  $n \times n \times m$  non-negative array  $SIX^0 = \{six_{ijr}^0\}$ , determine a non-negative array  $SHIP = \{ship_{isr}\}$  and a non-negative array  $SIX = \{six_{ijr}\}$  that is close to  $SHIP^0$  and  $SIX^0$  such that equations (1) to (9) are satisfied, where  $s \in M$  denotes the shipping regions,  $r \in M$  denotes the receiving regions, and  $i, j \in N$  denotes the make and use sectors respectively.

In plain English, the estimation problem is to modify a given set of prior inter-regional and interindustrial transaction estimates to satisfy the above nine known accounting constraints. The mathematical programming model conducting the estimation uses an objective function that penalizes the deviations of the estimated array SHIP and SIX from the initial array SHIP<sup>0</sup> and SIX<sup>0</sup>. Two types of alternative functional forms could be used:

(i) Quadratic function:

$$\operatorname{Min} \ Z = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=l}^{m} \sum_{r=l}^{m} \frac{(SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0})^{2}}{SW_{isr}} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=l}^{n} \sum_{r=l}^{m} \frac{(SIX_{ijr} - six_{ijr}^{0})^{2}}{Wi_{ijr}} \right\}$$
(10)

(ii) Entropy function:

$$\operatorname{Min} Z = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \frac{SHIP_{isr}}{sw_{isr}} \bullet LN(SHIP_{irs} / ship_{irs}^{0}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \frac{SIX_{isr}}{wi_{isr}} \bullet LN(SIX_{ijr} / six_{ijr}^{0})$$
(11)

There are desirable theoretical properties of the above estimation framework that are well documented in the literature. Firstly, it is a separable nonlinear programming problem subject to

appendix A for details.

linear constraints. The entropy function is motivated from information theory and is the objective function underlying the well-known RAS procedure with row and column totals known with certainty (Senesen and Bates, 1988). It measures the information surprise contained in SHIP and SIX given the initial estimates  $ship^0$  and  $six^0$ . The quadratic penalty function is motivated by statistical arguments. There are different statistical interpretations underlying the model by choices of different reliability weights sw<sub>isr</sub> and wi<sub>iir</sub>. When the weights are all equal to one, solution of this model gives a constrained least square estimator. When the initial estimates are taken as the weights, solution of the model gives a weighted constrained least square estimator, which is identical to the Friedlander-solution, and a good approximation of the RAS solution. When those weights are proportional to the variances of the initial estimates and the initial estimates are statistically independent (the variance and covariance matrix of ship<sup>0</sup> and six<sup>0</sup> are diagonal), the solution of the model yields best linear unbiased estimates of the true unknown matrix (Byron, 1978), which is identical to the Generalized Least Squares estimator if the weights equal to the variance of initial estimates (Stone, 1984, Ploeg, 1984). Furthermore, as noted by Stone *et al.* (1942) and proven by Weale (1985), in cases where the error distributions of the initial estimates are normal, the solution also satisfies the maximum likelihood criteria. The corresponding likelihood function can be written as:

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^{m} \prod_{j=1}^{n} (2\pi_{WS_{isr}})^{-\frac{n \cdot m \cdot m}{2}} (2\pi_{Wi_{ijr}})^{\frac{n \cdot m \cdot m}{2}} \cdot \exp^{\left\{\frac{(SHIP_{sr} - Ship_{isr}^{0})^{2}}{2ws_{sr}} + \frac{(SIX_{ir} - six_{ijr}^{0})^{2}}{2wi_{ijr}}\right\}}$$
(12)

<sup>2</sup> Put another way,  $SHIP_{isr}$  describes the process of transforming sector output i of region s into either an input of any sector j or the property of any final user in region r.

Secondly, the quadratic and entropy objective functions are equivalent in the neighborhood of initial estimates, under a properly selected weighing scheme. By taking second order Taylor expansion of the likelihood function (12) at point *(ship<sub>isr</sub>, six<sub>ijr</sub>)* we have

$$Z = \sum_{i=i}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \{SHIP_{isr} - Ship_{isr}^{0} + \frac{(ship_{isr}^{0} - SHIP_{isr})^{2}}{2ship_{isr}^{0}}\} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \{SIX_{ijr} - six_{ijr}^{0} + \frac{(six_{ijr}^{0} - SIX_{ijr})^{2}}{2six_{ijr}^{0}}\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \frac{(SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0})^{2}}{ship_{isr}^{0}} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \frac{(SIX_{ijr} - six_{ijr}^{0})^{2}}{six_{ijr}^{0}}\} + R$$

$$(13)$$

This is the quadratic function (10) plus a remainder term R. As long as the posterior estimates and the prior estimates are close and the prior estimates are used as reliability weights<sup>3</sup>, the term R will be very small and the two objective functions thus can be regarded as approximating one another.

Thirdly, as proved by Harrigan (1990), in all but the trivial case, posterior estimates derived from entropy or quadratic loss minimand will always better approximate the unknown, true values than do the associated initial estimates. In this framework, information gain is interpreted as the imposition of additional valid constraints or the narrowing of bounds on existing constraints as long as the true but unknown values belong to the feasible solution set. This is because adding valid constraints or further restricting the feasible set through the narrowing of interval constraints cannot move the posterior estimates away from the true values, unless the additional constraints are non-binding (have no information value). Although the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The quadratic functional form has a numerical advantage in implementing the model. It is easier to solve than the entropy function in very large models because they can be solved by software specifically designed for quadratic programming.

posterior estimates may not always be regarded as providing a "reasonable" approximation to the true value<sup>4</sup>, the resulting constrained estimates are always better than the initial estimates in the sense the former is closer to the true value than the later, so long as the imposed constraints are true. In other words, the optimization process has the effect of reducing, or at least not increasing, the variance of the estimates. This property is simple to show by using matrix notation. Define W as the variance matrix of initial estimates ship<sup>0</sup>, A as the coefficient matrix of all linear constraints. The least squares solution (equivalent to the quadratic minimand as noted above) to the problem of adjusting ship<sup>0</sup> to SHIP, which satisfies the linear constraint, A•SHIP = 0 can be written as:

$$SHIP = (I - WAT(AWAT)-1A)SHIP0$$
(14)

Thus 
$$\operatorname{var}(\operatorname{SHIP}) = (I - WA^{\mathrm{T}}(AWA^{\mathrm{T}})^{-1}A)W = W - WA^{\mathrm{T}}(AWA^{\mathrm{T}})^{-1}A)W$$
 (15)

since  $WA^{T}(AWA^{T})^{-1}A)W$  is a positive semi-definite matrix, the variance of posterior estimates will always be less, or at least not greater than the variance of the initial estimates as long as  $A \bullet SHIP^{true} = 0$  holds. This is the fundamental reason why such an estimating framework will provide better posterior estimates. Imposing accounting relationship's (1)–(9) will definitely improve, or at least not worsen the initial estimates, since we are sure from economics those constraints are identities and must be true for any national system of economic regions.

Finally, the choice of weights in the objective function has very important impacts on the estimation results. For instance, using the initial estimates as weights has the nice property that each entry of the array is adjusted in proportion to its magnitude in order to satisfy the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The minimand objective function reflects the principle that the 'distance' between the posterior and prior estimates should be minimized. While what we would like is to minimize is the 'distance' between the posterior estimates and the unknown true values. This 'distance' can not be measured, but a good estimation procedure should have a desirable influence on it.

accounting identities, and the variables can not change sign and that large variables are adjusted more than small variables. However, the adjustment relates directly to the size of the initial estimates  $ship^{0}_{isr}$  and  $six^{0}_{ijr}$ , and does not force the unreliable prior to absorb the bulk of the required adjustment. Furthermore, only under the assumptions: (1) the initial estimates for different elements in the array are statistically independent, and (2) each error variance is proportional to the corresponding initial estimates, this commonly used weighing scheme (underlying RAS) can obtain best unbiased estimates, while those assumptions may not hold in many cases. Fortunately, the model is not restricted to use a diagonal-weighing matrix such as the priors only. When a variance-covariance matrix of the initial estimates is available, it can be incorporate into the model by modifying the objective function as follows:

$$\operatorname{Min} Z = (SHIP - SHIP^{0})WS^{1}(SHIP - SHIP^{0}) + (SIX - SIX^{0})^{T}WI^{1}(SIX - SIX^{0}) \quad (16)$$

The efficiency of the resulting posterior estimator will be further improved if the error structure of the priors is available, because such a weighting scheme makes the adjustment independent of the size of the priors. The larger the variance, the smaller its contribution to the objective function, and hence the less punishment for ship<sub>isr</sub> and six<sub>ijr</sub> to move away from their priors (only the relative, not the absolute size of the variance affects the solution). A small variance of the priors indicates they are very reliable data and thus should not change by much, whilst a large variance of the priors indicates unreliable data and will be adjusted considerably in the solution process. Therefore, this weighing scheme gives the best-unbiased estimates of the true, unknown inter-regional and inter-industrial transaction value under the assumption that initial estimates for different elements in the array are statistically independent. Although there is not much difficulty to solve such a nonlinear programming problem like this today, the major problem is lack of data to estimate the variance-covariance matrix associate with the priors.

Stone (1982) proposed to estimate the variance of  $six_{ijr}^0$  as  $var(six_{ijr}^0) = (\theta_{ijr}six_{ijr}^0)^2$ , where  $\theta_{ij}$  is a subjectively determined reliability rating, expressing the percentage ratio of the standard error to  $six_{ijr}^0$ . Weale (1989) had used time series information on accounting discrepancies to infer data reliability. The similar methods can be used to derive variances associated with those initial estimates in our model.

Despite the difficulties in obtaining data for the best weighting scheme, advantages of such a model in estimating inter-regional shipments and inter-industrial transactions are still obvious from an empirical perspective. Firstly, it is very flexible regarding the required know information. For example, it allows for the possibility that the state total of output, value-added, exports, imports and final demands are not known with certainty. In the real world, these regional totals typically have substantial gaps and inconstancies with the national total. Incorporating associated terms similar to SHIP<sup>0</sup> and SIX<sup>0</sup> in the objective function to penalize solution deviations from the initial estimates from statistical sources allows the estimation of those regional totals, together with entries in the inter-regional shipping and inter-industrial transaction array. With the use of upper and lower bounds, this fact can also be modeled by specifying ranges rather than precise values for the linear constraints (1) - (3). In addition, the estimation of SHIP or SIX will be a special case of the framework when only one set of additional data is available.

Secondly, it permits a wider variety and volume of information to be brought to bear on the estimation process than what is possible with scaling methods. For example, the ability of introducing upper and/or lower bounds on those regional totals is one of the flexibilities not offered by commonly used scaling procedures such as RAS. The gradient of the entropy function tends to infinity as  $ship_{isr}$  and  $six_{ijr} \rightarrow 0$ , and hence restricts the value of the posterior estimates to nonnegative. This is a desirable property of estimating inter-regional trade data. Such nonnegativity requirements can be enforced in the case of quadratic penalties through the use of lower bounds on the values of ship<sub>isr</sub> and six<sub>ijr</sub>.

Thirdly, the weights in the objective function reflect the relative reliability of a given set of priors. The interpretation of the reliability weights is straightforward. Entries with higher reliability should be changed less than entries with a lower reliability. The choice of those weights is also very flexible. They will use the best available information to insure that reliable data in the prior estimates are not being modified by the optimization model as much as unreliable data. In practice, such reliability weights can be put into a second array that has the same dimension and structure as the priors. The inverted variance-covariance matrix of the priors can be interpreted as the best index of the reliability for the initial data by statistics.

Finally, solution of this estimation problem exactly provide the data needed to construct a so called multi-regional input-output (MRIO) model in the IO literature (Miller and Blair, 1985, Isard, et al. 1998), which was pioneered by professor Polenske and her associates at MIT in the 1970's (Polenske, 1980), and is still widely used in regional economic impact analysis today.

The above model could be easily extended to further allocate SIX and SHIP to distinguish intermediate and final delivery of good and services within a national system of economic regions. The extended model will be similar in many aspects with the interregional accounting framework proposed by David F. Batten (1982) two decades ago. However, as we will show later in this paper, it becomes more operational and provides much better empirical estimation results on interregional shipments because of the explicit incorporation of interregional trade flow information into both the initial estimates and the accounting framework.

To demonstrate, denote  $SX_{ijsr}$  as intermediate inputs delivered from sector i in region s to sector j in region r within a nation, and  $SY_{ihsr}$  as final goods and services delivered from sector i in region s to type h final demand in region r. Further, denote  $SIM_{ijr}$  and  $SIY_{ihr}$  as imported (from other nations) intermediate and final goods and services delivered to sector j or final demand type h in region r respectively. Other notation regarding state total output, intermediate inputs, value-added, exports and imports are the same with the aggregated model. Then the accounting framework for the national system of economic regions can be defined as follows:

$$\sum_{j=l}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} SX_{jisr} \sum_{j=1}^{n} SIM_{jir} + SVA_{ir} = STX_{ir}$$
(17)

$$\sum_{j=l}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} SX_{ijrs} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} SIM_{ijr} + \sum_{h=l}^{h} \sum_{s=1}^{m} SY_{ihrs} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} SIY_{ihr} + SEX_{ir} = STX_{ir} + SMX_{ir}$$
(18)

$$\sum_{h=1}^{h} \sum_{s=1}^{m} SY_{ihsr} + \sum_{h=1}^{h} SIY_{ihr} = STY_{ir}$$
(19)

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} SX_{ijsr} + \sum_{h=1}^{h} SY_{ihsr} = SHIP_{isr}$$
(20)

$$\sum_{s=1}^{m} SX_{ijsr} = SIX_{ijr}$$
(21)

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} SIM_{ijr} + SIY_{ir} = SMX_{ir}$$
(22)

Adding a quadratic penalty objective function, we have an extended model to estimate a detailed interregional input-output account based on the results from the earlier model<sup>5</sup>.

<sup>5</sup> By incorporated the 6 accounting identities that the sum of all regions in the nation should equals their national totals defined in equation (4-9), the model could be solved independently without use of the earlier model, however, the dimension of the model will be much higher and data requirements will be much larger than the earlier model.

$$\operatorname{Min} Z = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\left( SX_{ijsr} - sx_{ijsr}^{0} \right)^{2}}{wx_{ijsr}} + \sum_{n=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{h=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{h} \frac{\left( SY_{ihsr} - sy_{ihsr}^{0} \right)^{2}}{wy_{ihjr}} + \sum_{r=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{h=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\left( SIM_{ijr} - sim_{ijr}^{0} \right)^{2}}{wix_{ijr}} + \sum_{n=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{h=1}^{h} \frac{\left( SIY_{ihr} - siy_{ihr}^{0} \right)^{2}}{wiy_{ihr}} \right\}$$

$$(23)$$

This model has the theoretical and empirical properties similar to the earlier model, but with much higher details. The solution to 23, subject to constraints 17-22, provides a complete set of data for a so called inter-regional input-output (IRIO) model with imports endogenous in the IO literature (Miller and Blair, 1985, Isard, et al. 1998).

#### **III. Empirical Test of the Model and Evaluation Measures**

#### 3.1 The testing data set

How does the model specified above perform when applied to data from the real world? In order to evaluate the models' performance, a benchmark data set from the real world is needed. Because good interregional trade data is quite rare and very difficulty to obtain in any countries of the world, a natural place to find such data sets is existing global production and trade databases such as the GTAP (Global Trade Analysis Project) database. For instance, version 4 GTAP database contains detailed bilateral trade, transportation, and individual country's input-output data covering 45 countries and 50 sectors (McDougall, Elbehri, and Truong, 1998). For our particular purpose, version 4 GTAP database was first aggregated into a 4-region, 10-sector data set. Then three of the four regions (the United States, European Union and Japan) were further aggregated into a single open economy which engages in both interregional trade among its 3 internal regions and international trade with rest of the world. We will use this partitioned data set as the benchmark multi-regional input-output account for a hypothetical national economy, and attempt to use our model to replicate the underlying intercontinental trade flows among Japan, EU and the United Sates as well as the individual country's input-output account.

## 3.2 Experiment design

In the first experiment, we do this without use of the region-specific input-output coefficients as the situation encountered in the real world, where only the national IO table is available to economists (it is the three region's weighted average in our experiment). Using initial estimates of interregional commodity flow that are distorted from the 'true' interregional trade data in the GTAP data by a normal distributed random error term with zero mean and the size of standard deviation as large as 5 times the "true" trade data. The solution from the model is compared with the benchmark data set for both the inter-regional shipment and inter-sector transaction flows.

In the second experiment, we use the region-specific input-output coefficients as constant in the model. We re-estimate the interregional shipment data as the first experiment, and compare the model solution with the benchmark data set for the inter-regional trade data only.

In the third experiment, we assume the interregional shipment pattern is known with certainty, we use the three region's weighted average IO coefficients as priors (which is defined as  $IX_{ij}/(TX_{ij}-VA_i) * (STX_{ir} -SVA_{ir})$  to make full use of the known information) to estimate the region-specific input-output account.

In the fourth experiment, David F. Batten's model was used to estimate the interregional shipment and individual region IO flows. In the fifth to the seventh experiments, experiments 1-3 were repeated by using the extended model. Solution from both models is compared with the

"true" interregional trade and inter-sector IO flow data in the aggregated GTAP data set. The assumptions, initial estimate and expected model solution are summarized in table 1.

Table I Ex	periment Design		
Experiment number	Data Know with Certainty <sup>1</sup>	Initial Estimates	What is estimated by the model
1	None	<i>Ship</i> <sup><math>r</math></sup> <sub><i>isr</i></sub> is distorted from the "true" data <i>ship</i> <sup><math>\theta</math></sup> <sub><i>isr</i></sub>	SHIP and SIX
		$Six^{r}_{ijr} = IX_{ij}/(TX_{ij}-VA_{i}) \times (STX_{ir}-SVA_{ir})$	
2	$SIX = SIX^0$	<i>Ship</i> <sup><i>r</i></sup> <sub><i>isr</i></sub> is distorted from the "true" data <i>ship</i> <sup><math>\theta</math></sup> <sub><i>isr</i></sub>	SHIP only
3	$SHIP = SHIP^0$	$Six^{r}_{ijr} = IX_{ij}/(TX_{ij}-VA_{i}) \times (STX_{ir}-SVA_{ir})$	SIX only
4	None	$sx^{0}_{ijsr} = \left[ (STX_{is} + SMX_{is} - SEX_{is}) / (TX_{I} + MX_{i} - EX_{i}) \right] \times \left[ (STX_{jr} - SVA_{jr}) / (TX_{j} - VA_{j}) \right]^{*} IX_{ij}$ $sy^{0}_{isr} = \left[ (STX_{is} + SMX_{is} - SEX_{is}) / (TX_{i} + MX_{i} - EX_{i}) \right] \times STY_{ir}  \text{Eqs. (16) and (17) in Batten (1982)}$	SHIP and SIX
5	None	$sx_{ijsr}^{0} = \left[ \left( Six_{ijr}^{r} / \left( \sum_{j} Six_{ijr}^{r} + STY_{ir} \right) \right] \times Ship_{isr}^{r}$ $sy_{isr}^{0} = \left[ \left( STY_{ir} / \left( \sum_{j} Six_{ijr}^{r} + STY_{ir} \right) \right] \times Ship_{isr}^{r}$	SHIP and SIX
6	$SIX = SIX^0$	$sx^{0}_{ijsr} = \left[ \left( Six^{0}_{ijr} / \left( \sum_{j} Six^{0}_{ijr} + STY_{ir} \right) \right] \times Ship^{r}_{isr} sy^{0}_{isr} = \left[ \left( STY_{ir} / \left( \sum_{j} Six^{0}_{ijr} + STY_{ir} \right) \right] \times Ship^{r}_{isr} \right]$	SHIP only
7	$SHIP = SHIP^0$	$sx^{0}_{ijsr} = [(Six^{r}_{ijr} / (\sum_{j} Six^{r}_{ijr} + STY_{ir})] \times Ship^{0}_{isr}$ $sy^{0}_{isr} = [(STY_{ir} / (\sum_{j} Six^{r}_{ijr} + STY_{ir})] \times Ship^{0}_{isr}$	SIX only
Note			

Table 1 Experiment Design

Note:

1. In all experiments, national totals: IX<sub>ij</sub>, TX<sub>i</sub>, TY<sub>i</sub>, VA<sub>i</sub>, EX<sub>i</sub>, and MX<sub>i</sub> are known with certainty, i.e. they enter the model as constant. It is not necessary for the state totals: STX<sub>ir</sub>, STY<sub>ir</sub>, SVA<sub>ir</sub>, SEX<sub>ir</sub>, and SMX<sub>ir</sub> to be know as certainty in the model, however, in all experiment reported in this paper, they enter the model as constant. The relative importance of the different items of regional totals will be explored in the next set of experiments.

2. In experiment 5-7, we did not distinguish different final demand types when the extended model is used.

### 3.3 Measures to evaluate test results

Each experiment produces a different set of estimates, and it is desirable to know how much each set of estimates differs from the true, known data. However, it is difficult to use a single measure to compare the estimated results. Since there are so many dimensions in the model solution sets, a particular set of estimates may score well on one region or commodity but badly on others. It is meaningful to use several measures to gain more insight on the model performance in different experiments. Generally speaking, it is the large proportionate errors but not the large absolute error that matter, therefore, the "Mean absolute Percentage Error" with respect to the true data will be calculated for different commodity and regional aggregations. The following eight index measures will be used in evaluating the model solution:

(1) Total Mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) of shipment estimates:

$$MAPE^{ship} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} ship_{isr}^{0}}$$
(24)

(2) Total Mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) of IO transaction estimates:

$$MAPE^{six} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SIX_{ijr} - Six_{ijr}^{0}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} six_{ijr}^{0}}$$
(25)

(3) Mean absolute percentage error of shipment estimates by commodities:

$$MAPE_{i}^{ship} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0}|}{\sum_{s=1}^{m} \sum_{r=1}^{m} ship_{isr}^{0}}$$
(26)

(4) Mean absolute percentage error of shipment estimates by shipping regions

$$MAPE_{s}^{ship} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} ship_{isr}^{0}}$$
(27)

(5) Mean absolute percentage error of shipment estimates by receiving regions

$$MAPE_{r}^{ship} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} |SHIP_{isr} - ship_{isr}^{0}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{m} ship_{isr}^{0}}$$
(28)

(6) Mean absolute percentage error of IO transaction estimates by inputs

$$MAPE_{j}^{six} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SIX_{jir} - Six_{jir}^{0}|}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} Six_{jir}^{0}}$$
(29)

(7) Mean absolute percentage error of IO transaction estimates by use

$$MAPE_{i}^{six} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} |SIX_{ijr} - SiX_{ijr}^{0}|}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{r=1}^{m} six_{ijr}^{0}}$$
(30)

(8) Mean absolute percentage error of IO transaction estimates by region

$$MAPE_{r}^{six} = \frac{100 \bullet \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |SIX_{ijr} - six_{ijr}^{0}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} six_{ijr}^{0}}$$
(31)

The model and all test experiments are implemented in GAMS and the complete GAMS program is listed in Appendix B.

### 4.4 Testing results

Table 2 summarizes all the eight measurement indexes from the seven testing experiments listed in Table 1. The accuracy of the estimates is judged by their closeness to the true interregional trade and individual region's input–output flows aggregated from the GTAP database.

## (Insert Table 2 here)

Generally speaking, the model has remarkable capacity to rediscover the true interregional trade flows from the highly distorted data. The estimated shipment data are very close to the true data by the eight types of measurement in all testing experiments except the Batten model. Most of the mean absolute percentage errors are about 4-7 percent of the true data value, which implies the model has great potential in the application of estimating interregional trade flows. In contrast, recovering the individual region's input-output flows from national average values only obtained very limited success, indicating national detailed IO coefficients may be the best place to start in building regional IO account if there is no additional prior information on regional technology or cost structure available.

Comparing estimates from different test experiments, there are several interesting observations. First, when there is no additional information that could be incorporated into the estimation framework, a more detailed model may not perform better than a simpler model (compare results from Exp-1 and Exp-5, the more sophisticated extended model actually bring less accurate estimates overall because of losing degrees of freedom). However, as results in Experiments 2-3 and 6-7 show, the estimation accuracy does improve by a more detailed model when more useful data become available. Second, the marginal accuracy gained from actual individual regional IO flows is significant in estimating interregional trade flow using the

extended model, but quite small in the aggregate version. In contrast, the marginal value of accurate interregional shipment data is rather small in estimating individual regional IO coefficients under both versions of the model. Finally, Batten's model performed poorly in interregional shipment estimation, but obtained very similar estimates on individual regional IO flows as our model, providing further evidence that there *may* be no high dependency between individual regional IO coefficients and interregional trade flows. However, caution may be needed for a firm conclusion because the particular data set used to test the model in this paper may be part of the problem. Since the United States, EU and Japan are all large economies, their intermediate demands are largely meet by their own production. Therefore, the correlation between their individual inter-industrial flow and inter-regional shipments may be particular low. This may be responsible for the insensitivity of their IO flow estimates to changes in interregional shipment data. In most single country regional models, inter-regional trade flows are likely to provide a substantial share of intermediate and final demand needs within the region.

Because the extended model only provide better estimates of interregional shipments when individual regional IO data are available, the aggregate version of the model specified in this paper may be the best practitioner's tool in estimating interregional trade flows. It not only demands less statistical information, but also has a smaller model dimension, which will facilitate the implementation and computation process<sup>6</sup>.

<sup>6</sup> The aggregate model only has  $N(NM+M^2+5M)$  variables and N(3M+N+5) constraints, while the extended model has  $(N^2M + NHM)(M+1)$  variables and  $N(M^2+NM+N+5)$  constraints. This is a much larger model, having  $NM^2(N-1) + NM(HM-5)$  more variables and MN(M+N-3) additional constraints.

<b>Table 2 Mean Abso</b>	lute Perc	entage E	rror fro	m the T	rue Data	%						
Experiment #	Distorted	1 priors	Exp-		Exp-2	Exp-3	Exp-4 Batte	in model	ExJ	o-5	Exp-6	Exp-7
Indexes	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	Ave. IO	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	six <sub>ijr</sub>	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	SİX <sub>ijr</sub>	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	six <sub>ijr</sub>	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	six <sub>ijr</sub>	Ship <sub>isr</sub>	six <sub>ijr</sub>
Total MAPE	399.75	21.79	6.38	20.58	5.69	19.30	126.13	18.54	7.34	22.04	2.05	18.17
Receiving region MAPE												
United States	265.83	19.63	9.31	21.05	8.68	17.29	129.88	16.49	10.75	26.15	3.90	14.94
European Union	447.06	16.87	4.64	15.38	3.61	15.44	111.73	16.51	5.28	15.43	0.74	15.62
Japan	494.73	33.26	5.53	29.38	5.34	28.68	145.59	24.68	6.39	28.95	1.86	26.68
Sector MAPE I		Inputs										
Primary agriculture	304.53	29.86	6.19	30.58	5.19	30.32	125.51	34.92	8.42	33.34	1.67	32.11
Processed agriculture	319.40	21.65	9.20	17.12	10.67	15.80	129.42	13.06	9.86	18.21	2.97	13.35
Resource based sectors	392.24	18.26	8.78	15.36	5.52	14.90	135.00	13.28	10.16	15.12	2.15	13.03
Non-durable goods	312.28	12.50	4.47	10.40	3.85	11.29	127.87	11.44	5.39	11.08	3.36	8.76
Durable goods	413.91	16.42	4.54	15.50	4.36	14.69	121.60	14.06	4.89	15.83	3.38	11.46
Utility	774.76	33.00	6.54	30.74	1.40	28.87	121.86	24.73	7.24	31.80	0.95	26.56
Construction	484.64	34.41	1.71	27.66	2.61	28.48	133.12	22.53	6.15	28.18	0.01	27.41
Trade and Transport	406.12	30.23	12.70	30.95	12.68	27.23	130.52	20.83	13.07	33.02	3.08	25.67
Private services	245.15	13.71	5.38	16.60	5.07	14.38	126.71	20.30	6.46	20.28	1.17	18.85
Public services	539.32	37.84	4.11	31.53	1.30	30.57	118.65	29.77	4.28	32.72	0.62	25.01
Shipping region MAPE												
United States	264.78		9.83		9.08		130.65		10.60		2.90	
European Union	445.56		4.60		3.65		111.83		5.69		1.57	
Japan	495.24		4.96		4.80		144.28		5.93		1.75	
Sector MAPE II		Use										
Primary agriculture		32.55		18.54		19.54		12.03		17.38		17.62
Processed agriculture		17.39		24.60		19.03		18.90		28.64		18.47
Resource based sectors		23.05		22.63		21.23		21.81		23.24		20.57
Non-durable goods		12.21		11.13		11.55		12.32		12.20		10.39
Durable goods		11.79		11.88		11.53		12.40		11.30		9.65
Utility		40.51		32.93		33.87		29.16		30.23		26.15
Construction		54.23		49.58		46.69		46.29		47.20		40.67
Trade and Transport		19.81		20.10		18.19		20.88		28.91		17.86
Private services		25.88		24.24		22.19		16.68		24.94		23.48
Public services		37.50		35.59		34.11		50.94		35.51		26.18

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### V. Empirical Issues when the Model is applied to the US Economy

To implement the model in the context of the United States, the first task is assembling data from different sources. This data will be used to specify the national input-output account, sector totals of output, value-added, exports, imports and final demand at the state level as well as initial information of inter/intra-state commodity shipments. Much of this information is available directly from official statistical sources.

The Detailed Benchmark Input-Output Account of the United States<sup>7</sup> is estimated every five years, with the most recent benchmark having been published in December of 2002 by the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), based on calendar year 1997 economic statistics. As is true for the majority of nations who maintain official national economic accounting systems, the U.S. system of official economic statistics does not include an interregional, inter-industry accounting system.

The benchmark account coincides with the calendar year economic statistics of the Economic Census and Census of Governments (U.S. Dept. of Census), Census of Agriculture (U.S. Dept. of Agriculture), and other ancillary U.S. regional economic accounts. State level statistics on gross output, value added and/or total wage-bill are, for the most part, routinely extracted from these sources. Other relevant statistics include annual industry gross state product accounts (BEA), 'origin of movement' State export statistics and import statistics by port of entry into the U.S. (Census)<sup>8</sup>. Finally, depending on the emphasis of the modeler's application,

<sup>7</sup> This 'detailed' account characterizes all U.S. domestic inter-industry activities for calendar year 1997, as summarized into 491 industry aggregates, 483 commodity aggregates, and U.S. GDP by commodity, broken out into personal consumption, gross private investment, net exports, inventory change, and government investment and consumption.

<sup>8</sup> Equations (2) and (3) can be modified to be consistent with those officially published export and import statistics.

other Federal and State Government statistics, trade association data, and proprietary data have useful information that will complement the primary official data sources.

State final demand statistics are the only data items that are not as routinely extracted from primary data sources. Important indirect information that can be used to estimate State consumer expenditures include the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Consumer Expenditure Survey (CES), the decennial Census of Population, and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) statistics on income. For example, using BLS regional CES tables, one can allocate U.S. expenditure data out to one of four U.S. regions. Next, using CES expenditure statistics by household income, and by other socioeconomic categories, one can use Census of Population State statistics to further allocate regional expenditure estimates out to States.

For gross private investment, BEA produces detailed wealth account statistics that include annual gross private investment by major industry groups. The Internal Revenue Service publishes State investment and depreciation statistics that allow one to infer the level and type of investments that business' and households are making in each state. Combining these data with the national private investment statistics by detailed commodity groups, one can develop regional estimates of gross private state investment. Federal and State procurement data are available from two comprehensive sources, the General Services Administration and the U.S. Census of Governments. Perhaps the most elusive information is that on State inventory change. State level information does exist for some of the 483 Commodity aggregates, and this data can supplement estimates that assume, at the detailed commodity level, that inventory change is a constant percentage of both national and State final demand.

The confidence of the developer in their estimates may depend on their abilities to obtain relevant data not typically available. This data can be used to fill data gaps created by

deficiencies of the conventional data sources. If that confidence exists, estimates of State level data on output, value added, imports, exports, and total final demand, by commodity, can be used as the 'true' identities in solving the national system of regional input-output accounts. To the extent that a subset of this data is considered unreliable, employing methods of attaching reliability weights (Stone, 1982, 1988) to these suspect data points can facilitate the more general specification of the models presented in the previous section.

Whichever approach one takes, the most challenging empirical obstacle to solving an U.S. balanced IRIO from the model is the development of regional technical input-output coefficient priors, and inter/intra-regional shipment data priors. Two very useful 'rules of thumb' can be applied to this problem and when applied together, can reinforce each other.

One often-applied 'rule' is known as the product mix approach (Miller & Blair, 1985, p. 70). This approach requires that, in lieu of other information on the regional technical coefficients, estimates of the product mix for the detailed industries that map into a regional commodity aggregate should be used. With this information, a weighted average of the national input-output coefficients of these products, where the weights are the share of regional aggregate commodity gross output that each detailed industry represents, produces a unique regional coefficient for each commodity aggregate represented in the regional system.

Another useful 'rule' pertains to the use of aggregate transportation data. This rule states that in lieu of detailed transportation statistics on inter/intra regional commodity flows, a regional input-output system should be solved at a level of aggregation most closely aligned with the aggregation reported in the transportation data. While this aggregation may be insufficient for the specific purposes of the developer, it is likely that the developer knows of other unique data sources related to transportation in the sectors of particular relevance to their research and this

data can be incorporated. For other sectors that the developer has little familiarity with, the aggregated data will probably end up providing more information than if it was used, for example, to move all subcategories of each commodity aggregate.

To illustrate how to use both of these 'rules' could complement each other, consider the following example. Suppose annual state-to-state transportation statistics were available to a developer designing an U.S. MRIO system for use in energy analysis. If this transportation data described the value of shipments within and between states on 'Food and Kindred Products', commodities as diverse as cotton and ice would belong to this industry aggregate. Suppose a particular region of an MRIO system produces food and kindred products that predominantly have similar cost structures as ice, and another region has products in this category that predominantly have similar cost structures as cotton. Using the product mix approach, the former region would end up with an aggregate food industry I-O coefficient for electricity that would be considerably higher than in the later region.

Now suppose that after doing the work of developing detailed regional output data for the product mix approach, the developer decided to keep the detail in the model they are trying to solve. Typically, this would mean that if transportation data indicated 20-percent of region I food and kindred product shipments went to region II, than a prior for each detailed commodity would have 20-percent going to region II. In solving a system with such priors, it is very likely that a substantial amount of product will be redirected, while a more aggregated system would most likely not have as much redirection. The significance of this result is illustrated in the following scenario.

Suppose an U.S. MRIO system includes regions of Florida and California, and one of the commodities modeled was 'canned fruits and vegetables'. While this is typically viewed as a

detailed commodity category, there is a large product variety within this group, including fresh orange juice—a product almost unique to Florida. California produces a substantial share of the canned vegetables. Using the aggregated transportation data priors to move canned fruits and vegetables, both Florida and California will initially have too much canned products remaining in State. Further, from an optimization perspective, it will be very efficient to diminish or sever the bilateral flows of canned products between California and Florida. A developer specializing in the energy industry is unlikely to notice this outcome. On the other hand, using the aggregated sectors, the CA/FL trade linkage is more likely to be preserved. For most energy issues, it's not important to know that Florida and California are trading orange juice and canned vegetables, but it is important to know that the two economies have a strong direct economic linkage.

Appendix III reports an U.S. MRIO system with 51 regions and 38 sectors based on the data and approaches discussed in this section [forthcoming]. While such a system is likely to have too much industry aggregation for most practical applications, extensions of this data set using the procedures discussed above for the sectors of interest to the developer's application would be a routine extension of this approach. Evaluating the accuracy for this MRIO system is an important topic, but is beyond the scopes of present inquiry.

#### **VI.** Conclusions and Direction for Future Research

This study constructed a mathematical programming model to estimate interregional trade patterns and input-output accounts based on an interregional accounting framework and initial estimates of interregional shipments in a national system of economic regions. The model is quite flexible in its data requirement and has desirable theoretical and empirical properties. An empirical test on the model using a 3-region, 10-sector example aggregated from version 4

GTAP database show that the model performed remarkably well in discovering the true patterns of interregional trade from highly distorted initial estimates on interregional shipments. It shows the model may have great potential in the application of estimating and reconciliation of interregional trade flow data, which often are the most difficult part in assembling the equilibrium base year data set for interregional CGE models. In addition, solutions from the aggregated model exactly provide the data needed for a MRIO model and solution from the extended model exactly provide the data needed for an IRIO model. This will greatly reduce the data processing burden in such analysis. Therefore, application of the model will further facilitate quantitative economic analysis in regional sciences.

However, there are important questions not yet answered by the current study. First, test results from the data set aggregated from GTAP also show that our model's ability to improve the IO transaction estimates of individual regions from national average may be limited. Continuing research on the real underlying causes and ways of improvement are needed to further enhance the model's capacity as an estimating and reconciliation tool in building interregional production and trade accounts. Second, the relative importance of regional sector output, value-added, exports, imports and final demand as model input in the accuracy of a model solution is also not analyzed yet, and could be addressed with minor changes of the current model. Finally, the robustness of the model performance needs further testing by using other data sets.

#### **Appendix A: Constraint Matrix Balancing problem**

The model is a special case of the constrained matrix-balancing problem from a mathematical perspective. It is so named because it involves the computation of the best estimate of an unknown matrix from a given matrix, with some prior information to constrain the solution It appears as a core structure in diverse applications. These applications include the set. estimation of input-output tables (Bachem and Korte, 1981; Harrigan and Buchanan, 1984; Miller and Blair, 1985; Kaneko, 1988; Nagurney, 1989; Antonello, 1990) and inter-regional trade flows in regional science (Batten, 1982; Byron et al., 1993), balancing of social/national accounts in economics (Byron, 1978; Van der Ploeg, 1982, 1984, 1988; Zenios, Drud, and Mulvey, 1989; Nagurney, Kim, and Robinson, 1990), estimating interregional migration in demography (Plane, 1982), the analysis of voting patterns in political science (Johnson, Hay, and Taylor, 1982), the treatment of census data and estimation of contingency tables in statistics (Friedlander, 1961), the estimation of transition probabilities in stochastic modeling (Theil and Rey, 1966), and the projection of traffic within telecommunication and transportation networks (Florian, 1986; Klincewicz, 1989). A comprehensive survey can be found in Schneider and Zenios (1990).

Methods for matrix balancing can be classified into two broad classes -- bi-proportional scaling and optimization. The scaling methods are based on the adjustments of the initial matrix to multiplying its row and column by positive constants until the matrix is balanced. It was developed by Stone and other members of the Cambridge Growth Project (Stone et al., 1963) and is usually known as RAS. The basic method was originally applied to known row and column totals but had been extended to cases where the totals themselves are not known with certainty (Senesen and Bates, 1988). Optimization methods are based on mathematical

programming, usually minimizing a penalty function, which measures the deviation of the candidate balanced matrix from the initial matrix subject to a set of balance condition.

The scaling methods such as RAS have been one of the most widely applied computational algorithms for the solution of the constrained matrix balancing problems. They are simple, iterative, and require minimal programming effort to implement. However, as pointed out by van der Ploeg (1982), they are not straightforward to use when including more general linear restrictions and when allowing for different degrees of uncertainty in the initial estimates and restraints. They also lack a theoretical interpretation of the adjustment process. Those aspects are crucial for an adjustment procedure to improve the information content of the balanced estimates rather than only adjusting the initial estimates mechanically. Mohr, Crown and Polenske (1987) discussed the problems encountered when the RAS procedure is used to adjust trade flow data. They pointed out that the special properties of interregional trade data increase the likelihood of non-convergence of the RAS procedure and proposed a linear programming approach that incorporate exogenous information to override the unfeasibility of the RAS problem.

Since the 1980s more and more researchers have tended to formulate constrained matrix balancing problems as mathematical programming problems (var der Ploeg, 1988, Nagurney and Robinson, 1989, Bartholdy, 1991, Byron *et al.*, 1993), with an objective function that forces "conservatism" on the process of rationalizing X from the initial estimate  $X^0$ . The theoretical foundation for the approach can be viewed from both the perspectives of mathematical statistics and information theory. When a quadratic penalty function is used, the solution of this mathematical programming problem gives a minimum variance unbiased linear estimate of the unknown matrix X (Byron, 1978, Van der Ploeg, 1982, 1984); while when a entropy function is

used, its solution gives the estimate of X which minimizes the "information added" to  $X^0$  needed to conform to the constraints (Wilson 1970). In addition, the solution of the RAS method is equivalent to constrained entropy minimization with fixed prior row and column totals, as shown by Bregman (1967), thus can been seen as a special case of the optimization methods.

Another important advantage of mathematical programming models over scaling methods in applied matrix balancing problems is that it permits one to introduce relative degree of reliability for the initial estimates. Further, additional constraints may be imposed on the data adjustment process, such as allowing precise upper and lower bounds to be placed on unknown elements, or incorporating an associated term in the objective function to penalize solution deviations from the initial row or column total estimates when they are not known with certainty. Therefore, it provides more flexibility to the matrix balancing procedure. This flexibility is very important in terms of improving the information content of the balanced estimates.

The idea of including reliability of the initial estimate in the matrix balancing process can be traced back half a century to Richard Stone and his colleagues (1942) when they explored procedures for compiling national income accounts. Their ideas were formalized into a mathematical procedure to balance the system of accounts after assigning reliability weights to each entry in the system. The minimization of the sum of squares of the adjustments between initial entries and balanced entries in the system, weighted by the reliabilities or the reciprocal of the variances of the entries is carried out subject to linear (accounting) constraints. This approach had first been operationlized by Byron (1978) and applied to the System of National Accounts of UK by Ploeg (1982, 1984). Zenios and his collaborators (1989) further extended this approach to balance a large social accounting matrix in a nonlinear network-programming framework. Although computational burden is no longer a problem today, the difficulty of estimating the error variances with this method still remains unsolved.

### Appendix B GAMS Program for the 3-region, 10-sector Example

#### 1. Data processing program

\*This program produces a test data set for the minimum information gain model \*\*from a 4-region 10-sector aggregation version 4 GTAP database

\*\*## SECTORS

SETS

- IS / AGR, PFD, RES, CON, DUR, UTL, CNS, TAT, PSV, GSV, CGD, total /
- I(IS) / AGR AGRICULTURE PFD FOOD PROCESSING RES RESOURCE BASED SECTOR CON NON-DURABLE CONSUMER GOODS
  - DUR DURABLE GOODS
  - UTL UTILITY
  - CNS CONSTRUCTION
  - TAT TRADE AND TRANSPORT
  - PSV PRIVATE SERVICE
  - GSV PUBLIC SERVICE
  - CGD INVESTMENT GOODS /

TTS(IS) / AGR, PFD, RES, CON, DUR, UTL, CNS, TAT, PSV, GSV, total /

T(I) / AGR, PFD, RES, CON, DUR, UTL, CNS, TAT, PSV, GSV /

II(T) / AGR,PFD,RES,CON,DUR,UTL,CNS,PSV,GSV /

JJ(T) / PFD,RES,CON,DUR,UTL,CNS,TAT,PSV,GSV / JI(T) / PFD,CON,DUR,UTL,CNS,TAT,PSV,GSV /

IOM(T) / DUR,TAT,PSV / ISV(T) / UTL,CNS,TAT,PSV,GSV / MFL(T) / PFD,CON / MFH(T) / DUR / KK(T) / res / IAG(T) / agr / IAG1(T) / agr,pfd /

\*\*## REGIONS

rs / USA,EEC,JPN,ROW,tot /

r(rs) REGIONS / USA UNITED STATES EEC European Union JPN JAPAN ROW REST OF THE WORLD /

rr(r) / USA,EEC,JPN /

\*\*## FACTORS OF PRODUCTION

IIF FACTORS / LND LAND AGLB RURAL-LABOR ULB UNSKILLED-LABOR SLB SKILLED-LABOR CAP CAPITAL NRS SECTOR SPECIFIC RESOURCES /

F / LND,ULB,SLB,CAP,NRS /

FF(IIF) / LND,ULB,SLB,CAP,NRS / FF0(FF) / LND,ULB,SLB,CAP / FC(FF) / LND,SLB,CAP / FF1(FF) / ULB,SLB,CAP / FF2(FF) / ULB,SLB,CAP,NRS / FL(F) / ULB,SLB / FR(F) / LND,CAP,NRS / FB(FF) / LND,SLB,CAP / ;

#### SETS

\*\*## SET FOR CET FUNCTION CONTROL

IE1(T,R) CET AGGREGATE EXPORT SECTORS

IE2(T,R) COMPETITIVE EXPORT SECTORS

/ (agr).

(USA,EEC,JPN,ROW) /

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ALIAS (FF,FFC),(FF0,FFC0),(FF1,FFC1),(FF2,FFC2),(JJ,JJC),(FC,FCC); ALIAS (R,RT,S,ST), (rr,ss),(I,IT), (F,FT),(FL,FLT),(T,K,KC);

SETS

\*\*## OTHER SETS

MAC MACRO VARIABLES / SAVE Regional savings VDEP Capital Depreciation VKB Capital stock in the beginning period HTAX Household income tax / ; SETS MISX(T,R,S) ZERO TRADE MISE(T,R) ZERO EXPORT

MISE(T,R) ZERO EXPORT MISM(T,R) ZERO IMPORT MISQ(T,R) ZERO PRODUCTION MISDF(FF,T,R) ZERO FACTOR DEMAND MISVA(T,R) ZERO VALUE-ADDED QOUTA(T,R,S) TRADE FLOWS SUBJECT IMPORT QOUTAS ;

\*----- BASIC DATA FROM GTAP GLOBAL TRADE DATA BASE -----\*

\$INCLUDE data\gtap4.DAT

PARAMETER

VFA(T,I,R)	PRODUCER COST ON INTEMEDIATE INPUTS T BY INDUSTRY I IN REGION R AT AGENT'S PRICE
VFM(T,I,R)	PRODUCER COST ON INTEMEDIATE INPUTS T BY INDUSTRY I IN REGION R AT MARKET PRICE
VOA(I,R)	TOTAL PRODUCTION COST OF SECTOR I IN REGION R AT AGENT'S PRICE
VOM(I,R)	TOTAL VALUE OF OUTPUT I IN REGION R AT MARKET PRICE
EVOM(F,R)	TOTAL VALUE ADDED FOR FACTOR F AT MARKET PRICE
VDM(T,R)	DOMESTIC SALES OF COMMODITY T IN REGION R AT MARKET PRICE
VDA(T,R)	DOMESTIC SALES OF COMMODITY T IN REGION R AT AGENT PRICE
VPA(T,R)	HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITY T IN REGION R VALUED AT AGENT'S PRICE
VPM(T,R)	HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITY T IN REGION R VALUED AT MARKET PRICE
VIM(T,R)	VALUE OF TOTAL IMPORTS OF COMMODITY T BY REGION R
HEXP(R)	HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE IN REGION R
VGA(T,R)	GOVERNMENT HOUSE HOLD EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITY T IN REGION R AT AGENT'S PRICE
VGM(T,R)	GOVERNMENT HOUSE HOLD EXPENDITURE ON COMMODITY T IN REGION R AT MARKEY PRICE
GEXP(R)	GOVERNMENT CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE ON REGION R

VTW(T,R,S) TRANSPORTATION COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE SHIPMENT OF COMMODITY T FROM REGION R TO S DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL IMPORTS AND DOMESTIC ABSORBTION ER(T,R)OF IMPORT GOODS, SHOULD BE ZERO BOT(R)BALANCE OF TRADE IN REGION R CHECKA(T,R)CHECKC(T,R) TOTAL COST OF INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES VT HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS SAVE(R) DEPRECIATION VDEP(R) CAPITAL STOCK VKB(R) REGINV(R) GROSS REGIONAL INVESTMENT IN REGION R GSAV(R) GOVERNMENT SAVING OR DEFICIT; PARAMETERS SAVE(R) Expenditures on net savings (AP) VDEP(R) Value of capital depreciation (AP) Value of beginning-of-period capital stock (AP) VKB(R) GOVERNMENT SAVING OR DEFICIT GTRANS0(R) SAVE(R) = MACRO(R, "save");VDEP(R) = MACRO(R, "vdep");VKB (R) = MACRO(R, "vkb");VFA(T,I,S) = VDFA(T,I,S) + VIFA(T,I,S);VFM(T,I,S) = VDFM(T,I,S) + VIFM(T,I,S);VOA(I,R) = SUM(T, VFA(T,I,R)) + SUM(F, EVFA(F,I,R));VDM(T,R) = VDPM(T,R) + VDGM(T,R) + SUM(I, VDFM(T,I,R));VDA(T,R) = VDPA(T,R) + VDGA(T,R) + SUM(I, VDFA(T,I,R));VOM("CGD",R) = VOA("CGD",R);VOM(T,S) = VDM(T,S) + SUM(R, VXMD(T,S,R)) + VST(T,S);EVOM(F,R) = SUM(I, EVFM(F,I,R));VPA(T,S) = VDPA(T,S) + VIPA(T,S);VPM(T,S) = VDPM(T,S) + VIPM(T,S);HEXP(R) = SUM(T, VPA(T,R));VGA(T,S) = VDGA(T,S) + VIGA(T,S);VGM(T,S) = VDGM(T,S) + VIGM(T,S);GEXP(R) = SUM(T, VGA(T,R));SAVE(R) = MACRO(R, "SAVE");VDEP(R) = MACRO(R,"VDEP"); VKB(R) = MACRO(R,"VKB"); VTW(T,R,S) = VIWS(T,R,S) - VXWD(T,R,S);BOT(R) = SUM(T,VST(T,R)) + SUM((T,S), VXWD(T,R,S)) - SUM((T,S), VIWS(T,S,R));VT = SUM((T,S,R), VTW(T,R,S));\* DISPLAY VDM, VFA, VFM, VPA, VPM, VGA, VGM; DISPLAY VOA, VOM; \* DISPLAY EVOM, HEXP, GEXP, VTW, BOT, VT; PARAMETER PTAX(I,R) VALUE OF PRODUCT TAX DPTAX(T,R)VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF DOMESTIC GOODS BY HOUSEHOLD IPTAX(T,R)VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF IMPORTS BY HOUSEHOLD VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF DOMESTIC GOODS BY GOVERNMENT DGTAX(T.R)VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF IMPORTS BY GOVERNMENT IGTAX(T,R)DFTAX(T,I,R) VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF DOMESTIC GOODS BY FIRMS VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAX OF IMPORTS BY FIRMS IFTAX(T,I,R)

XTAX(T,R,S) VALUE OF EXPORT TAX

MTAX(T,S,R) VALUE OF TARRIFF

ETAX(F,R)VALUE OF FACTOR TAXHTAX(R)VALUE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME TAXITAX(I,R)VALUE OF FIRM INPUT TAXCTAX(T,R)VALUE OF CONSUMPTION TAXKTAX(T,R)VALUE OF CAPITAL GOODS TAX;

$$\begin{split} DPTAX(T,R) &= VDPA(T,R) \cdot VDPM(T,R);\\ IPTAX(T,R) &= VIPA(T,R) \cdot VIPM(T,R);\\ DGTAX(T,R) &= VDGA(T,R) \cdot VDGM(T,R);\\ IGTAX(T,R) &= VIGA(T,R) \cdot VIGM(T,R);\\ DFTAX(T,I,R) &= VDFA(T,I,R) \cdot VDFM(T,I,R);\\ IFTAX(T,I,R) &= VIFA(T,I,R) \cdot VIFM(T,I,R); \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} PTAX(I,R) &= VOM(I,R) \cdot VOA(I,R); \\ XTAX(T,R,S) &= VXWD(T,R,S) \cdot VXMD(T,R,S); \\ MTAX(T,S,R) &= VIMS(T,S,R) \cdot VIWS(T,S,R); \end{split}$$

ETAX(F,R) = SUM(I, (EVFA(F,I,R) - EVFM(F,I,R)));HTAX(R) = SUM(F, (EVOM(F,R) - EVOA(F,R)));

$$\begin{split} CTAX(T,R) &= DPTAX(T,R) + IPTAX(T,R) + DGTAX(T,R) + IGTAX(T,R) \\ &+ IFTAX(T,"CGD",R) + DFTAX(T,"CGD",R); \\ ITAX(T,R) &= SUM(K, (IFTAX(K,T,R) + DFTAX(K,T,R))); \end{split}$$

DISPLAY PTAX,XTAX,MTAX,ETAX,HTAX,CTAX,ITAX;

\*----- CHECKING THE BENCHMARK DATA FROM GTAP DATABASE ------\*

PARAMETER

PROFITS(I,R)<br/>SURPLUS(R)PROFITS INSECTOR I OF REGION R, SHOULD BE ZERO<br/>ECONOMIC SUPLUS IN REGION R, SHOULD BE ZEROACTER(T,R)<br/>RESBOTESIDUAL OF INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY, SHOULD BE ZERO;

PROFITS(I,R) = VOA(I,R) - SUM(T,VFA(T,I,R)) - SUM(F, EVFA(F,I,R));ACTER(T,R) = VOM(T,R) - VDM(T,R) - SUM(S, VXMD(T,R,S)) - VST(T,R);

VIM(T,R) = SUM(I, VIFM(T,I,R)) + VIPM(T,R) + VIGM(T,R);ER(T,R) = VIM(T,R) - SUM(S, VIMS(T,S,R));

$$\begin{split} SURPLUS(R) &= SUM(F,EVOA(F,R)) - VDEP(R) + SUM(I,PTAX(I,R)) + SUM(T,CTAX(T,R)) \\ &+ SUM(T,ITAX(T,R)) + SUM((T,S), (XTAX(T,R,S) + MTAX(T,S,R))) \\ &+ SUM(F,ETAX(F,R)) + HTAX(R) - SUM(T,(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R))) - SAVE(R); \end{split}$$

TSR=SUM((T,R), VST(T,R)) - VT; RESBOT=SUM(R, BOT(R));

DISPLAY RESBOT, TSR, ER, PROFITS, ACTER, SURPLUS;

$$\begin{split} &GSAV(R) = SUM(T, PTAX(T,R)) + SUM((K,S), (MTAX(K,S,R) + XTAX(K,R,S))) \\ &+ SUM(T, (CTAX(T,R) + ITAX(T,R))) + SUM(F, ETAX(F,R)) + HTAX(R) - GEXP(R); \end{split}$$

\*## eliminate intra-regional trade flows

PARAMETERS

INTSHIPW(T,R) INTRA-REGIONAL SHIPPING SERVICES AT WORLD PRICE INTTAXM(T,R) INTRA-REGIONAL IMPORT TAX INTTAXE(T,R) INTRA-REGIONAL EXPORT TAX VIA(T,R) VALUE OF INVESTMENT BY SECTOR AND BY REGION VPAWT(T,R)SHARE OF HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION IN FINAL DEMAND BY SECTORVGAWT(T,R)SHARE OF GOVERNMENT SPENDING IN FINAL DEMAND BY SECTORVIAWT(T,R)SHARE OF INVESTMENT IN FINAL DEMAND BY SECTOR;

VPAWT(T,R)(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R)) = VPA(T,R)/(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R));VGAWT(T,R)(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R)) = VGA(T,R)/(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R));VIAWT(T,R)(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R)) = VFA(T,"CGD",R)/(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R)+VFA(T,"CGD",R));

INTSHIPW(T,R) = VIWS(T,R,R)-VXWD(T,R,R); INTTAXM(T,R) = VIMS(T,R,R) - VIWS(T,R,R); INTTAXE(T,R) = VXWD(T,R,R) - VXMD(T,R,R); VST("tat",R) = VST("tat",R) - SUM(T,INTSHIPW(T,R)); CTAX(T,R) = CTAX(T,R) + INTTAXM(T,R) + INTTAXE(T,R); VDM(T,R) = VDM(T,R) + VXWD(T,R,R) - INTTAXE(T,R); VDM("tat",R) = VDM("tat",R) + SUM(T,INTSHIPW(T,R)); VDM("tat","ROW") = VDM("tat","ROW") + TSR; VST("tat","ROW") = VST("tat","ROW") - TSR; VDA(T,R) = VDA(T,R) + VXWD(T,R,R) - INTTAXE(T,R); VDA(T,R) = VDA(T,R) + VXWD(T,R,R) - INTTAXE(T,R);VDA("tat",ROW") = VDA("tat","ROW") + TSR;

$$\begin{split} & \text{VPA}(T,R) = \text{VPA}(T,R) \cdot \text{VPAWT}(T,R)*\text{INTSHIPW}(T,R); \\ & \text{VIPM}(T,R) = \text{VIPM}(T,R) \cdot \text{VPAWT}(T,R)*\text{VIMS}(T,R,R); \\ & \text{VGA}(T,R) = \text{VGA}(T,R) \cdot \text{VGAWT}(T,R)*\text{INTSHIPW}(T,R); \\ & \text{VIGM}(T,R) = \text{VIGM}(T,R)\cdot\text{VGAWT}(T,R)*\text{VIMS}(T,R,R); \\ & \text{VIFM}(T,"\text{CGD}",R) = \text{VIFM}(T,"\text{CGD}",R) \cdot \text{VIAWT}(T,R)*\text{VIMS}(T,R,R); \end{split}$$

VFA(T,"CGD",R) = VFA(T,"CGD",R) - VIAWT(T,R)\*INTSHIPW(T,R); VPA("tat",R) = VPA("tat",R) + SUM(T,VPAWT(T,R)\*INTSHIPW(T,R)); VGA("tat",R) = VGA("tat",R) + SUM(T,VGAWT(T,R)\*INTSHIPW(T,R)); VFA("tat","CGD",R) = VFA("tat","CGD",R) + SUM(T,VIAWT(T,R)\*INTSHIPW(T,R)); VIA(T,R) = VFA(T,"CGD",R); DISPLAY INTTAXM,INTTAXE,INTSHIPW, VGA,VPA,VIA;

VIMS(T,R,R) = 0.0; VIWS(T,R,R) = 0.0; VXMD(T,R,R) = 0.0; VXWD(T,R,R) = 0.0; XTAX(T,R,R) = 0.0; MTAX(T,R,R) = 0.0;VTW(T,R,R) = 0.0;

VT = SUM((T,S,R), VTW(T,R,S)); TSR=SUM((T,R), VST(T,R)) - VT ; DISPLAY TSR;

save(r) = save(r) + surplus(r);

#### \*## RE-CHECK DATA CONSISTANCY AFTER ADJUSTMENTS

$$\begin{split} SURPLUS(R) &= SUM(F,EVOA(F,R)) - VDEP(R) + SUM(I,PTAX(I,R)) + SUM(T,CTAX(T,R)) \\ &+ SUM((T,S), (XTAX(T,R,S) + MTAX(T,S,R))) \\ &+ SUM(F,ETAX(F,R)) + HTAX(R) - SUM(T,(VPA(T,R)+VGA(T,R))) - SAVE(R); \\ VIM(T,R) &= SUM(I, VIFM(T,I,R)) + VIPM(T,R) + VIGM(T,R); \\ ER(T,R) &= VIM(T,R) - SUM(S, VIMS(T,S,R)); \end{split}$$

DISPLAY ER, SURPLUS;

\*## RE-CALCULATION GOVERNMENT TRANSFER AND BALANCE OF TRADE AFTER ADJUSTMENTS

GTRANS0(R) = SUM(T, PTAX(T,R)) + SUM((K,S),(MTAX(K,S,R)+XTAX(K,R,S))) + SUM(T,CTAX(T,R)) + SUM(F,ETAX(F,R)) + HTAX(R) - GEXP(R);

BOT(R) = SUM(T, VST(T,R)) + SUM((T,S), VXWD(T,R,S)) - SUM((T,S), VIWS(T,S,R));

\*-----CONSTRUCTION OF SOCIAL ACCOUNTING MATRIX-----\*

SETS

SI / ACT,COMD,FLD,FLB,FK,ENT,PH,GV,KA,WT,ITR,TOTAL/ SIT(SI) /TOTAL/ S1(SI) / ENT,GV,PH,KA,WT,ITR / SSI(S1) / WT,ITR / SI1(SI);

ALIAS(SI1,SI2);

PARAMETER

SAM(R,SI,SI) SOCIAL ACCOUNTING MATRIX RES(SI,R) RESIDUAL OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, SHOULD BE ZERO;

SI1(SI) = NOT SIT(SI);

\* FIRST BLOCK: ACTIVITIES. DOMESTIC SUPPLY, EXPORT SUBSIDY, EXPORTS AT MP \* EXPORTS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION.

$$\begin{split} & SAM(R, "ACT", "COMD") = SUM(T, VDM(T,R)) ; \\ & SAM(R, "ACT", "GV") = -SUM((T,S), (VXWD(T,R,S) - VXMD(T,R,S))); \\ & SAM(R, "ACT", "WT") = SUM((T,S), VXWD(T,R,S)); \\ & SAM(R, "ACT", "ITR") = SUM(T, VST(T,R)); \end{split}$$

\* SECOND BLOCK: COMMODITIES. INTERMEDIATE DEMAND, HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION, \* COVERNMENT CONSUMPTION DIVESTMENT

\* GOVERNMENT CONSUMPTION, INVESTMENT.

 $\begin{aligned} & SAM(R, "COMD", "ACT") = SUM((T,K), VFA(T,K,R)); \\ & SAM(R, "COMD", "PH") = SUM(T, VPA(T,R)); \\ & SAM(R, "COMD", "GV") = SUM(T, VGA(T,R)); \\ & SAM(R, "COMD", "KA") = SUM(T, VFA(T, "CGD",R)); \end{aligned}$ 

\* THIRD BLOCK: VALUE ADDED SAM(R,"FLD","ACT") = SUM(I, EVFM("LND",I,R)); SAM(R,"FLB","ACT") = SUM(I, EVFM("ULB",I,R)) + SUM(I, EVFM("SLB",I,R)); SAM(R,"FK","ACT") = SUM(I, EVFM("CAP",I,R)) + SUM(I, EVFM("NRS",I,R));

\* FOURTH BLOCK: ENTERPRISE. CAPITAL INCOME AND DEPRECIATION.

SAM(R,"ENT","FK") = EVOM("CAP",R) + EVOM("NRS",R); SAM(R,"ENT","PH") = VDEP(R);

\* FIFTH BLOCK: HOUSEHOLDS. INCOME FROM FACTORS.

$$\begin{split} & SAM(R,"PH","FLD") = & EVOM("LND",R); \\ & SAM(R,"PH","FLB") = & SUM(T,EVFM("ULB",T,R)) + & SUM(T,EVFM("SLB",T,R)); \\ & SAM(R,"PH","ENT") = & EVOM("CAP",R) + & EVOM("NRS",R); \end{split}$$

\* SIXTH BLOCK: GOVERNMENT. INDIRECT TAX,TARIFFS,FACTOR TAX,CAPITAL RETURN \* HOUSEHOLD TAX,NET TRANSFER AMONG GOVERNMENT.

SAM(R,"GV","FLD") = ETAX("LND",R); SAM(R,"GV","FLB") = ETAX("ULB",R) + ETAX("SLB",R); SAM(R,"GV","FK") = ETAX("CAP",R) + ETAX("NRS",R); SAM(R,"GV","PH") = HTAX(R) - GSAV(R);  $\begin{aligned} SAM(R,"GV","ACT") &= SUM(T, PTAX(T,R)); \\ SAM(R,"GV","COMD") &= SUM((T,S), MTAX(T,S,R)) + SUM(T,CTAX(T,R)) + SUM(T,ITAX(T,R)); \end{aligned}$ 

\* SEVENTH BLOCK: CAPITAL ACCOUNT. ENTERPRISE SAVEINGS, HOUSEHOLD SAVEINGS,

\* GOVERNMENT SAVEING AND NET CAPITAL INFLOW

\* (BANLANCE OF TRADE + NET FOREIGHN INVESTMENT)

$$\begin{split} & SAM(R,"KA","ENT") = VDEP(R); \\ & SAM(R,"KA","PH") = SAVE(R); \\ & SAM(R,"KA", "WT") = - BOT(R) - SUM((T,S),VTW(T,S,R)) + SUM(T,VST(T,R)); \\ & SAM(R,"KA","ITR") = SUM((T,S),VTW(T,S,R)) - SUM(T,VST(T,R)); \end{split}$$

\* EIGTH BLOCK: REST OF THE WORLD. IMPORTS

SAM(R, "WT", "COMD") = SUM((T,S), VXWD(T,S,R));

\*NINTH BLOCK: INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SEVERCE. COST

SAM(R,"ITR","COMD") = SUM((T,S),VTW(T,S,R));

\* TENTH BLOCK: SUM OF COLUMN. EXPENDITURE

SAM(R,"TOTAL","COMD") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"COMD")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","ACT") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"ACT")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","FLD") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"FLD")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","FLB") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"FLB")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","FK") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"FK")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","ENT") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"ENT")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","ENT") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"ENT")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","GV") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"CV")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","GV") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"GV")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","KA") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"KA")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","KA") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"KA")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","WT") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"WT")); SAM(R,"TOTAL","ITR") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI1,"ITR"));

\* SUM OF ROW: REVENUE

SAM(R,SI2,"TOTAL") = SUM(SI1,SAM(R,SI2,SI1)); RES(SI,R) = SAM(R,"TOTAL",SI) - SAM(R,SI,"TOTAL");

OPTION EJECT; OPTION SAM:3:1:1; DISPLAY SAM; OPTION DECIMALS=3; DISPLAY RES; PARAMETER SMRES(SI); SMRES(SI) = SUM(R, RES(SI,R));

OPTION DECIMALS=3; DISPLAY SMRES;

$$\begin{split} & \text{CHECKA}(T,R) = \text{SUM}(K, \text{VFM}(K,T,R)) + \text{SUM}(F, \text{EVFM}(F,T,R)) + \text{PTAX}(T,R) + \text{ITAX}(T,R) \\ & \quad - \text{VDM}(T,R) - \text{SUM}(S, \text{VXMD}(T,R,S)) - \text{VST}(T,R); \\ & \text{CHECKC}(T,R) = \text{SUM}(K, \text{VFM}(T,K,R)) + \text{VPA}(T,R) + \text{VGA}(T,R) + \text{VFA}(T,"\text{CGD}",R) \\ & \quad - \text{VDM}(T,R) - \text{SUM}(S,\text{MTAX}(T,S,R)) - \text{CTAX}(T,R) - \text{SUM}(S,\text{VXWD}(T,S,R)) \\ & \quad - \text{SUM}(S,\text{VTW}(T,S,R)); \end{split}$$

DISPLAY CHECKA, CHECKC ;

\*## Create data sets for Minimum information gain model

sets DF final demand categories /

hhs household consumption

gov government spending

inv investment

exp exports

imp imports output gross output lab conpensation to employee cap capital tax other value-added / fd(df) / hhs,gov,inv / va(df) / lab,cap,tax /; parameter stateinf(r,t,df), NX(t,k),NFD(t,df) ship0(t,s,r) total shipment from region s to region r NTX(i) National total gross output in sector i NEX(i) National exports in sector i NMX(i) National imports in sector i NTY(i) National total final demand for sector i NVA(i) National value-added in sector i STX0(i,r) State total gross output in sector i SEX0(i,r) State exports in sector i SMX0(i,r) State imports in sector i STY0(i,r) State total final demand for sector i SVA0(i,r) State value-added in sector i chkrows(i) Row residuals chkcols(i) Column residuals chkship(i,r) stateinf(r,t,"hhs") = VPA(t,r);stateinf(r,t,"gov") = VGA(t,r);stateinf(r,t,"inv") = VFA(T,"CGD",r); stateinf(r,t,"exp") = VIMS(t,r,"row"); stateinf(r,t,"imp") = VIMS(T,"row",R); stateinf(r,t,"lab") = SUM(fl, EVFA(fl,T,R)); stateinf(r,t,"cap") = SUM(fr, EVFA(fr,T,R)); stateinf(r,t,"tax") = PTAX(t,r); stateinf(r,t,"output") = VOM(t,r); ship0(t,s,r) = VIMS(T,S,R);ship0(t,r,r) = VDA(t,r); STXO(t,r) = STATEINF(r,t,"output"); SEXO(t,r) = STATEINF(r,t,"exp")SMX0(t,r) = MAX(0,STATEINF(r,t,"imp")); SVA0(t,r) = sum(va, STATEINF(r,t,va));STY0(t,r) = SUM(fd,STATEINF(r,t,fd)); positive variables STX(t,r) State total gross output in sector i SEX(t,r) State exports in sector i SMX(t,r) State imports in sector i STY(t,r) State total final demand for sector i SVA(t,r) State value-added in sector i SHIP(t,s,r) STIO(t,k,r); Variables IOQ(t,k,r)txq(t,r) exq(t,r)mxq(t,r) vaq(t,r) fdq(t,r) spq(t,s,r)

ss1;

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STX.L(t,r) = STX0(t,r);
SEX.L(t,r) = SEX0(t,r);
SMX.L(t,r) = SMX0(t,r);
STY.L(t,r) = STYO(t,r);
SVA.L(t,r) = SVA0(t,r);
STIO.L(t,k,r) = VFA(t,k,r);
SHIP.L(t,s,r) = ship0(t,s,r);
Equations
colbal(t,r)
rowbal(t,r)
shipbal(t,r)
ioeq(t,k,r)
txeq(t,r)
exeq(t,r)
mxeq(t,r)
vaeq(t,r)
fdeq(t,r)
spqeq(t,s,r)
obj;
colbal(t,r). SUM(k, stio(k,t,r)) + SVA(t,r) = E = STX(t,r);
rowbal(t,rr). SUM(k, stio(t,k,rr)) + STY(t,rr) = E= SMX(t,rr) + SUM(ss,ship(t,ss,rr));
shipbal(t,rr).. SUM(ss,ship(t,rr,ss)) + SEX(t,rr) = E= STX(t,rr);
ioeq(t,k,r). IOQ(t,k,r) = E = stio(t,k,r) - VFA(t,k,r);
txeq(t,r).. txq(t,r) = E = STX(t,r) - STXO(t,r);
exeq(t,r).. exq(t,r) = E = SEX(t,r) - SEXO(t,r);
mxeq(t,r).. mxq(t,r) = E = SMX(t,r) - SMX0(t,r);
vaeq(t,r).. vaq(t,r) = E = SVA(t,r) - SVA0(t,r);
fdeq(t,r).. fdq(t,r) =E = STY(t,r) - STYO(t,r);
spqeq(t,ss,rr). spq(t,ss,rr) = E = ship(t,ss,rr) - ship0(t,ss,rr);
          SS1 =E= SUM((t,k,r)$VFA(t,k,r),SQR(IOQ(t,k,r))/VFA(t,k,r))
obj..
         + SUM((t,r)$STX0(t,r), SQR(txq(t,r))/stx0(t,r))
        + SUM((t,r)SEX0(t,r), SQR(exq(t,r))/sex0(t,r))
        + SUM((t,r)SMX0(t,r), SQR(mxq(t,r))/smx0(t,r))
        + SUM((t,r)$SVA0(t,r), SQR(vaq(t,r))/sva0(t,r))
        + SUM((t,r)$STY0(t,r), SQR(fdq(t,r))/sty0(t,r))
         + SUM((t,ss,rr)$ship0(t,ss,rr),SQR(SPQ(t,ss,rr))/ship0(t,ss,rr));
*## Model solusion
 OPTIONS ITERLIM=1500000,LIMROW=0,LIMCOL=0,SOLPRINT=OFF;
 MODEL databal / colbal
          rowbal
          shipbal
          ioeq
          txeq
          exeq
          mxeq
          vaeq
          fdeq
          spqeq
          obj /;
OPTIONS NLP=pathnlp;
DATAbal.OPTFILE=1;
SOLVE databal USING NLP MINIMIZING SS1;
NX(t,k) = SUM(rr, STIO.L(t,k,rr));
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 $\begin{array}{lll} NTX(t) &= SUM(rr, STX.L(t, rr));\\ NEX(t) &= SUM(rr, SEX.L(t, rr));\\ NMX(t) &= SUM(rr, SMX.L(t, rr));\\ NVA(t) &= SUM(rr, SVA.L(t, rr));\\ NTY(t) &= SUM(rr, STY.L(t, rr)); \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} chkrows(t) &= SUM(k, NX(t,k)) + NEX(t) + NTY(t) - NMX(t) - NTX(t); \\ chkcols(t) &= SUM(k, NX(k,t)) + NVA(t) - NTX(t); \\ chkship(t,rr) &= SUM(ss, ship.l(t,rr,ss)) + SEX.L(t,rr) - STX.L(t,rr); \end{aligned}$ 

\*chkrows(t) = round (chkrows(t),2); \*chkcols(t) = round (chkcols(t),2); DISPLAY chkrows, chkcols,chkship;

\*---Putting the GTAP data to GAMS data file -----file DATAOUT / E:\GAMSMO~1\region\data\GTAPtest.DAT / ; DATAOUT.PW = 255 ; PUT dataout ; PUT '\*## DATA FROM GTAP95 DATA BASE ' //; PUT '\*CREATED FROM '; PUT SYSTEM.IFILE; PUT ' ON '; PUT SYSTEM.DATE ; PUT ' AT '; PUT SYSTEM.TIME //;

\* National IO flows

```
PUT 'TABLE NX(i,j) IO flows at national level' // ;
PUT @10, LOOP( k, PUT k.TL:>20); PUT //;
LOOP(t,
PUT t.TL @10 ;
LOOP(k, PUT NX(t,k):20:8 ) ;
PUT / ;
);
PUT /;
PUT @3,',' ; PUT / ;
PUT /;
```

```
* regional IO flows
```

```
PUT 'Table STIO0 (i,j,r) Initial regional IO flows ' // ;
PUT @14, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;
LOOP((t,k), PUT t.TL @6 ; PUT "." @7 ;
PUT k.TL @14 ;
LOOP(rr, PUT stio.l(t,k,rr):23:11 ) ;
PUT / ;
);
PUT /;
PUT @3,';' ; PUT / ;
PUT /;
```

```
* regional value-added
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```
PUT 'Table SVA0(i,r) regional value-added by sector' // ;

PUT @10, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;

LOOP(t,

PUT t.TL @10;

LOOP(rr, PUT SVA.L(t,rr):23:11);

PUT /;

PUT /;

PUT /;

PUT /;

PUT /;
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\* regional final demand

```
PUT 'Table STY0(i,r) regional final demand by sector' // ;

PUT @10, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;

LOOP(t,

PUT t.TL @10 ;

LOOP(rr, PUT STY.L(t,rr):23:11 ) ;

PUT /;

PUT /;

PUT @3,',' ; PUT / ;

PUT /;
```

\* regional total output

```
PUT 'Table STX0(i,r) regional total output by sector' // ;
PUT @10, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;
LOOP(t,
    PUT t.TL @10 ;
    LOOP(rr, PUT STX.L(t,rr):23:11 ) ;
    PUT / ;
);
PUT /;
PUT @3,';' ; PUT / ;
PUT /;
```

\* regional exports

```
PUT 'Table SEX0(i,r) regional exports by sector' // ;

PUT @10, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;

LOOP(t,

PUT t.TL @10 ;

LOOP(rr, PUT SEX.L(t,rr):23:11 ) ;

PUT /;

PUT /;

PUT @3,';' ; PUT / ;

PUT /;
```

\* regional imports

```
PUT 'Table SMX0(i,r) regional imports by sector' // ;

PUT @10, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;

LOOP(t,

PUT t.TL @10 ;

LOOP(rr, PUT SMX.L(t,rr):23:11 ) ;

PUT /;

);

PUT /;

PUT @3,';'; PUT / ;

PUT /;
```

\* Inter-regional trade flows

```
PUT 'Table ship0(i,s,r) original inter-regional trade flow data ' // ;
PUT @14, LOOP( rr, PUT rr.TL:>23); PUT //;
LOOP((ss,t), PUT t.TL @6 ; PUT "." @7 ;
PUT ss.TL @14 ;
LOOP(rr, PUT ship.l(T,SS,RR):23:11 ) ;
PUT / ;
);
PUT /;
PUT @3,';' ; PUT / ;
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PUT /;

#### 2. The minimum information gain model program

```
$OFFSYMLIST OFFSYMXREF
*## This program implement minimum information gain procedure
*## to estimate interregional, interindustry transaction flows in a national system
*## of regions based on a regional accounting framework and limited regional statistic
*## data. The complete national IO table, regional sectoral data on gross output,
*## value-added, exports, imports and final demand are used as inputs to generate
*## interregional pattern of shipment from limited information.
*-----* SET DEFINITION -----*
$INCLUDE setgtap.inc
*----- READ US 1997 BENCHMARK IO TABLE FROM BEA -----*
PARAMETERS
*NX(i,j) National IO flows (input from sector i to sector j)
          National total gross output in sector i
NTX(i)
           National exports in sector i
NEX(i)
NMX(i)
           National imports in sector i
NTY(i)
           National total final demand for sector i
NVA(i)
           National value-added in sector i
chkrows(i) Row residuals
chkcols(i) Column residuals
chkship(i,r) residual of shipment ;
$INCLUDE data/GTAPTEST.dat
NX(i,j) = SUM(r, STIOO(i,j,r));
        = SUM(r, STX0(i, r));
NTX(i)
        = SUM(r, SEXO(i, r));
NEX(i)
NMX(i)
       = SUM(r, SMXO(i, r));
       = SUM(r, SVAO(i, r));
NVA(i)
NTY(i)
       = SUM(r, STY0(i, r));
*# Check balance of the national IO table
chkrows(i) = SUM(j, NX(i,j)) + NEX(i) + NTY(i) - NMX(i) - NTX(i);
chkcols(i) = SUM(j, NX(j,i)) + NVA(i) - NTX(i);
chkship(i,r) = SUM(s, ship0(i,r,s)) + SEX0(i,r) - STX0(i,r) ;
*chkrows(t) = round (chkrows(t),2) ;
*chkcols(t) = round (chkcols(t),2);
DISPLAY chkrows, chkcols, chkship ;
*## assign coefficient in the objective function for QP
parameters
TXQ(i,r)
TYQ(i,r)
EXQ(i,r)
MXQ(i,r)
VAQ(i,r)
SPQ(i,s,r)
IOQ(i,j,r);
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SCALAR Qscal 'coefs of Q range from [Qscal - 1/Qscal]' / 1e-3 /; TXQ(i,r)\$STX0(i,r) = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(STX0(i,r),Qscal)]; TYQ(i,r)\$STYO(i,r) = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(STY0(i,r),Qscal)]; EXQ(i,r)\$SEX0(i,r) = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(SEX0(i,r),Qscal)]; = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(SMX0(i,r),Qscal)]; MXQ(i,r)\$SMX0(i,r) VAQ(i,r)\$SVA0(i,r) = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(SVA0(i,r),Qscal)]; = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(SHIPO(i,s,r),Qscal)]; = MAX[Qscal,1/MAX(STIOO(i,j,r),Qscal)]; SPQ(i,s,r)\$ship0(i,s,r) IOQ(i,j,r)\$stio0(i,j,r) \*----- READ KNOWN REGIONAL DATA FROM VARIOUS SOURCES -----\* PARAMETERS checka(i,r) checkc(i,r) chkship(i,r) shipr(i,s,r) Distored interregional shipment data stior(i,j,r) regional IO flows by aveage IO coefficients error term er(i,s,r) ; \*## generate distored data er(i,s,r) = 5\*ship0(i,s,r);shipr(i,s,r) = ship0(i,s,r) + abs(normal(0,er(i,s,r))); \*shipr(i,s,r)\$(shipr(i,s,r) le 0) = ship0(i,s,r) + abs(normal(0,er(i,s,r))); stior(i,j,r)= (STX0(i,r)-SVA0(i,r))\*(NX(i,j)/(NTX(i)-NVA(i))); display ship0, shipr; positive variables STX(i,r) State total gross output in sector i SEX(i,r) State exports in sector i SMX(i,r) State imports in sector i State total final demand for sector i STY(i,r) State value-added in sector i SVA(i,r) SHIP(i,s,r) Inter-state shipment STIO(i,k,r) Indivadual region IO flows; Variables QIX(i,j,r) Qtx(i,r) Oex(i,r) Qmx(i,r) Qva(i,r) Qfd(i,r) Qsp(i,s,r) ss1 ; \*## Variable initiation STX.L(i,r) = STXO(i,r);SEX.L(i,r) = SEXO(i,r);SMX.L(i,r) = SMXO(i,r);STY.L(i,r) = STYO(i,r);SVA.L(i,r) = SVAO(i,r);STIO.L(i,j,r) = stior(i,j,r);SHIP.L(i,s,r) = shipr(i,s,r);Equations colbal(i,r) Sum of intermediate and factor input equals each sector output in each region

rowbal(i,r) Sum of intermediate and final demand equals shipment from all region plus imports shipbal(i,r) Sum of shipment to all region and export equals the region's output NIOBAL(i,j) Sum IO flows from sector i to sector j for all state equal the national totals Sum final demand of commodity i delivered by each state equal to national totals NFDBAL(i) NMAKBAL(i) Sum of output for sector i by each state equal to national output in sector i NEXPBAL(i) Sum of exports of commodity i by each state equal to total national exports NTMPBAL(i) Sum of imports of commodity i by each state equal to total national imports Sum of value-added of each state equal to total national exports NVABAL(i) ioeq(i,k,r) txeq(i,r) exeq(i,r) mxeq(i,r) vaeq(i,r) fdeq(i,r) spqeq(i,s,r) obj objetr objqp; colbal(i,r).. SUM(j, stio(j,i,r)) + SVA(i,r) = E= STX(i,r); rowbal(i,r).. SUM(j, stio(i,j,r)) + STY(i,r) = E= SMX(i,r) + SUM(s,ship(i,s,r)); shipbal(i,r).. SUM(s,ship(i,r,s)) + SEX(i,r) = E= STX(i,r) ; NIOBAL(i,j).. NX(i,j) =E= SUM(r, STIO(i,j,r)) ; NFDBAL(i).. =E= SUM(r, STY(i,r)) ; NTY(i) NMAKBAL(i).. NTX(i) =E= SUM(r, STX(i,r)) ; =E= SUM(r, SEX(i,r)); =E= SUM(r, SMX(i,r)); NEXPBAL(i).. NEX(i) NIMPBAL(i).. NMX(i) =E= SUM(r, SVA(i,r)) ; NVABAL(i).. NVA(i) ioeq(i,j,r).. QIX(i,j,r) =E= stio(i,j,r)- stior(i,j,r); spqeq(i,s,r).. Qsp(i,s,r) =E= ship(i,s,r)- shipr(i,s,r); txeq(i,r).. Qtx(i,r) =E=STX(i,r) - STXO(i,r); exeq(i,r).. Qex(i,r) =E=SEX(i,r) - SEXO(i,r); mxeq(i,r).. =E= SMX(i,r) - SMX0(i,r); Omx(i,r) vaeq(i,r).. Qva(i,r) =E= SVA(i,r) - SVAO(i,r); fdeq(i,r).. Qfd(i,r) =E= STY(i,r) - STYO(i,r); obj.. SS1 =E= SUM((i,j,r)\$STIOr(i,j,r),SQR(QIX(i,j,r))/stior(i,j,r)) + SUM((i,s,r)\$shipr(i,s,r),SQR(QSP(i,s,r))/shipr(i,s,r)) + SUM((i,r)\$STX0(i,r), SQR(Qtx(i,r))/stx0(i,r)) + SUM((i,r)\$SEX0(i,r), SQR(Qex(i,r))/sex0(i,r)) + SUM((i,r)\$SMX0(i,r), SQR(Qmx(i,r))/smx0(i,r)) + SUM((i,r)\$SVA0(i,r), SQR(Qva(i,r))/sva0(i,r)) + SUM((i,r)\$STY0(i,r), SQR(Qfd(i,r))/sty0(i,r)); OBJQP.. SS1 =E= 0 ; \*## Model solusion OPTIONS ITERLIM=1500000, LIMROW=0, LIMCOL=0, SOLPRINT=OFF; MODEL databal / colbal rowbal shipbal NIOBAL, NFDBAL NMAKBAL, NEXPBAL, NIMPBAL, NVABAL, ioea txeq exeq mxea vaeq

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fdeq
                    spqeq
                    obj
                             / ;
  MODEL databaletr / colbal
                     rowbal
                     shipbal
                     NIOBAL, NFDBAL
NMAKBAL, NEXPBAL, NIMPBAL, NVABAL,
                     objetr
                              / ;
  MODEL databalqp / colbal
                    rowbal
                    shipbal
                    NIOBAL, NFDBAL
                    NMAKBAL, NEXPBAL, NIMPBAL, NVABAL,
                    ioeq
                    txeq
                    exeq
                    mxeq
                    vaeq
                    fdeq
                    spqeq
                    objqp
                               /;
file qp / qmatrix.txt /;
qp.pc=5;qp.nr=2;qp.nd=10;qp.nw=0;
put qp 'Q Matrix for %system.fn%';
loop{(i,j,s,r),
   put / 'QIX' i.tl j.tl r.tl 'QIX' i.tl j.tl r.tl IOQ(i,j,r);
};
loop{(i,s,r),
   put / 'QSP' i.tl s.tl r.tl 'QSP' i.tl s.tl r.tl SPQ(i,s,r);
};
loop{(i,r),
   put / 'QTX' i.tl r.tl 'QTX' i.tl r.tl TXQ(i,r);
};
loop{(i,r),
   put / 'QEX' i.tl r.tl 'QEX' i.tl r.tl EXQ(i,r);
};
loop{(i,r),
   put / 'QMX' i.tl r.tl 'QMX' i.tl r.tl MXQ(i,r);
};
loop{(i,r),
   put / 'QVA' i.tl r.tl 'QVA' i.tl r.tl VAQ(i,r);
};
loop{(i,r),
   put / 'QTY' i.tl r.tl 'QTY' i.tl r.tl TYQ(i,r);
};
putclose;
OPTIONS NLP=pathnlp;
* DATAbal.OPTFILE=1;
* SOLVE databal USING NLP MINIMIZING SS1;
* OPTIONS NLP=conopt2;
* OPTIONS NLP=snopt;
SOLVE databal USING NLP MINIMIZING SS1;
*SOLVE databalgp USING LP MINIMIZING SS1;
*ship.fx(i,s,r) = ship0(i,s,r) ;
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*stio.fx(i,j,r) = stio0(i,j,r) ;
STX.fx(i,r) = STXO(i,r);
SEX.fx(i,r) = SEXO(i,r);
SMX.fx(i,r) = SMXO(i,r);
STY.fx(i,r) = STYO(i,r);
SVA.fx(i,r) = SVAO(i,r);
*## calculate MAPE index
parameters serror0(i,s,r), serror(i,s,r), ierror0(i,j,r), ierror(i,j,r);
ierror0(i,j,r)$stio0(i,j,r) = 100*ABS(stior(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r))/stio0(i,j,r);
ierror(i,j,r)$stio.l(i,j,r) = 100*ABS(stio.l(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r))/stio0(i,j,r);
serror0(i,s,r)$ship0(i,s,r) = 100*ABS(shipr(i,s,r)-ship0(i,s,r))/ship0(i,s,r);
serror(i,s,r)$ship0(i,s,r) = 100*ABS(ship.l(i,s,r)-ship0(i,s,r))/ship0(i,s,r);
DISPLAY serror0, serror, ierror0, ierror;
parameters MAPE(*)
                            Total mean absolute percentage error
            MAPERS(r,*)
                              Mean absolute percentage by sending region
            MAPERR(r,*)
                              Mean absolute percentage error by receiving region
            MAPEI(i,*)
                              Mean absolute percentage error by commodity
            MAPEU(i,*) ;
MAPE("distored s")
                      = 100*SUM((i,s,r),ABS(shipr(i,s,r)-
ship0(i,s,r)))/SUM((i,s,r),ship0(i,s,r));
                      = 100*SUM((i,s,r),ABS(ship.l(i,s,r)-
MAPE("estimate s")
ship0(i,s,r)))/SUM((i,s,r),ship0(i,s,r));
MAPERs(r, "distored s") = 100*SUM((i,s), ABS(shipr(i,r,s)-ship0(i,r,s)))/SUM((i,s), ship0(i,r,s));
MAPERs(r,"estimate s") = 100*SUM((i,s),ABS(ship.l(i,r,s)-ship0(i,r,s)))/SUM((i,s),ship0(i,r,s));
MAPERr(r,"distored s") = 100*SUM((i,s),ABS(shipr(i,s,r)-ship0(i,r,s)))/SUM((i,s),ship0(i,s,r));
MAPERr(r,"estimate s") = 100*SUM((i,s),ABS(ship.l(i,s,r)-ship0(i,s,r)))/SUM((i,s),ship0(i,s,r));
MAPEI(i, "distored s") = 100*SUM((s,r),ABS(shipr(i,s,r)-ship0(i,s,r)))/SUM((s,r),ship0(i,s,r));
MAPEI(i, "estimate s") = 100*SUM((s,r),ABS(ship.l(i,s,r)-ship0(i,s,r)))/SUM((s,r),ship0(i,s,r));
MAPE("distored i") = 100*SUM((i,j,r),ABS(stior(i,j,r)-
stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((i,j,r),stio0(i,j,r));
MAPE("estimate i")
                      = 100*SUM((i,j,r),ABS(stio.l(i,j,r)-
stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((i,j,r),stio0(i,j,r));
MAPERr(r,"distored i") = 100*SUM((i,j),ABS(stior(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((i,j),stio0(i,j,r));
MAPERr(r,"estimate i") = 100*SUM((i,j),ABS(stio.l(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((i,j),stio0(i,j,r));
MAPEI(i,"distored i") = 100*SUM((j,r),ABS(stior(j,i,r)-stio0(j,i,r)))/SUM((j,r),stio0(j,i,r));
MAPEI(i, "estimate i") = 100*SUM((j,r),ABS(stio.l(j,i,r)-stio0(j,i,r)))/SUM((j,r),stio0(j,i,r));
MAPEu(i, "distored u") = 100*SUM((j,r),ABS(stior(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((j,r),stio0(i,j,r));
MAPEu(i, "estimate u") = 100*SUM((j,r),ABS(stio.l(i,j,r)-stio0(i,j,r)))/SUM((j,r),stio0(i,j,r));
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DISPLAY MAPE, MAPERs, MAPERr, MAPEI, MAPEU ;
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