

Mathematical Modelling of a Deregulated Electricity Market With Different Production Capacities

Research Practise 2 Final Presentation

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$$E_{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n, \dots, F_N}(u_n) \geq E_{F_1, F_2, \dots, \tilde{F}_n, \dots, F_N}(u_n)$$

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Thus, we have to find an explicit formula for $\Phi_n(p)$, which is necessary if we want to obtain the equilibrium strategies F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n , solving the differential equations system $\frac{d}{dp} \Phi_n(p) = 0$, and once the F 's are obtained, is possible to analyze how each type of firm plays.

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- Propose a structure of the formula for $\Phi_n(p)$, when $N = 4$ using ideas of the previous case.

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Strategy Spaces

We noted that the pure strategy space for the player g_i is $S_i = [0, \bar{p}]$, and the mixed strategy space is

$$\Sigma_i = \{F : [0, \bar{p}] \rightarrow [0, 1] \mid F \text{ is a cumulative distribution function}\}$$

Now, if we consider that there could be ties between prices offered, the coordinator becomes another player, and its pure strategy space is given by

$$S_c = \{R : [0, \bar{p}]^N \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, N\}^2 \mid R(p_1, \dots, p_N) \text{ is a ranking of lowest prices}\}$$

- We could obtain $\Phi_n(p)$, when $N = 2$.
- Then, we focused on the problem of obtaining the differential equations system $\frac{d}{dp}\Phi_n(p) = 0$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dp}\Phi_j(p) = & \sum_{A \cup \{j\} \cup B = \{1, \dots, N\}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k_j} i \pi_{K_A+i} \right) \frac{d}{dp} \left\{ (p - c_j) \prod_{a \in A} F_a(p) \prod_{b \in B} \left[\sum_{b \in B} \frac{1 - F_b(\bar{p}-)}{F_b(\bar{p}-) - F_b(p)} + 1 \right] (F_b(\bar{p}-) - F_b(p)) \right\} - \\ & \sum_{A \cup \{c\} \cup B = \{1, \dots, N\}, j \in A} \left\{ k_j (p - c_j) F'_c(p) \prod_{a \in A, a \neq j} F_a(p) \prod_{b \in B} (F_b(\bar{p}-) - F_b(p)) \left[\sum_{b \in B} \frac{1 - F_b(\bar{p}-)}{F_b(\bar{p}-) - F_b(p)} + 1 \right] \right\} * \\ & \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k_c} \pi_{K_A+i} \right); \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, N\}. \end{aligned}$$

- Once we got it, we solved and implemented it on *Mathematica 10.4*.

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Computational implementation

Here, we show the behavior of the F_1, F_2, F_3 , in the case of $N = 3$,
 $(c_1, c_2, c_3) = (0, 0, 0)$, $(k_1, k_2, k_3) = (1, 2, 3)$,
 $\pi = (0.1, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.3, 0.2)$ and considering that the firm F_3 is which
jump at \bar{p} , with different values of $F_3(\bar{p}-) := \lim_{p \rightarrow \bar{p}-} F_3(p)$

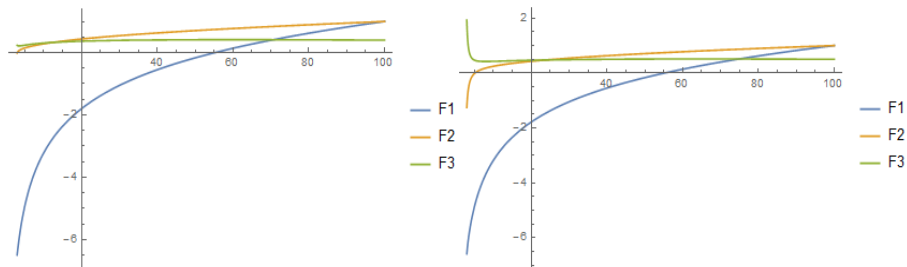


Figure: Left: $F_3(\bar{p}-) = 0.4$; Right: $F_3(\bar{p}-) = 0.5$

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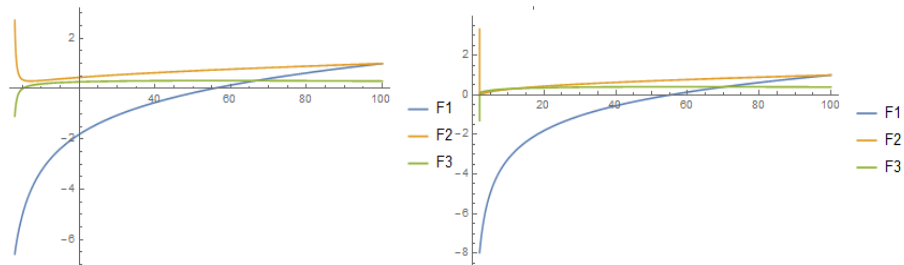


Figure: Left: $F_3(\bar{p}-) = 0.3$; Right: $F_3(\bar{p}-) = 0.395135$

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