



# Measuring technical efficiency and total factor productivity change with undesirable outputs in Stata

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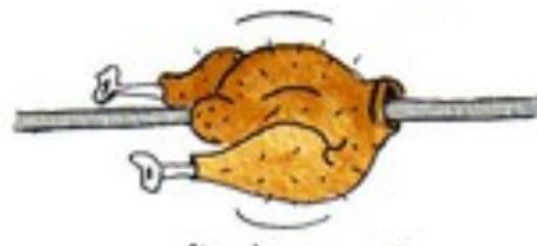
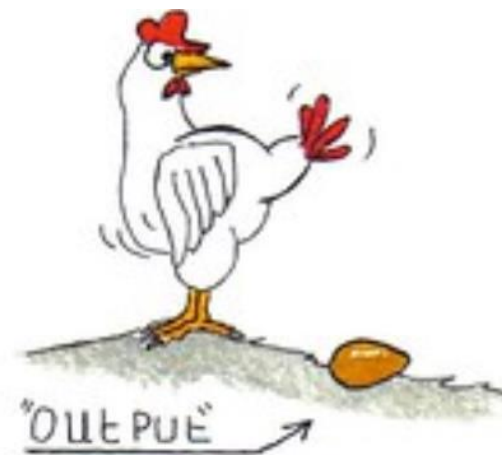
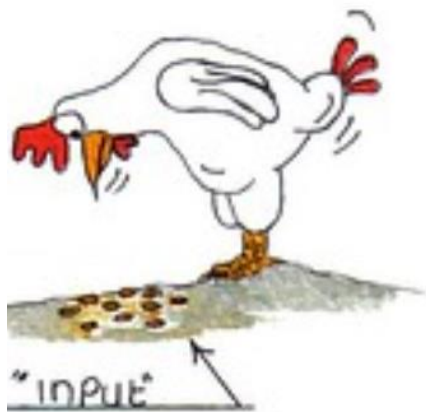
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# Introduction

## Efficiency



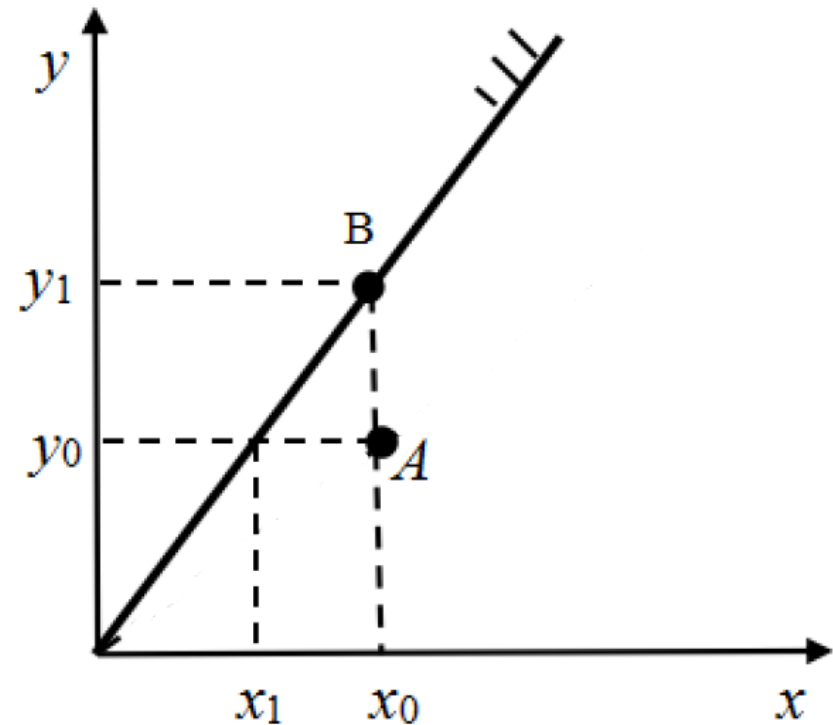


# Introduction

## Some basic concepts

- Decision-Making Unit (DMU)
  - firms, cities, provinces
- Production Frontier
- Production Possibility Set (PPS)/  
Technology set

$$T = \{(x, y) : x \text{ can produce } y\}$$





# Introduction

## Distance function

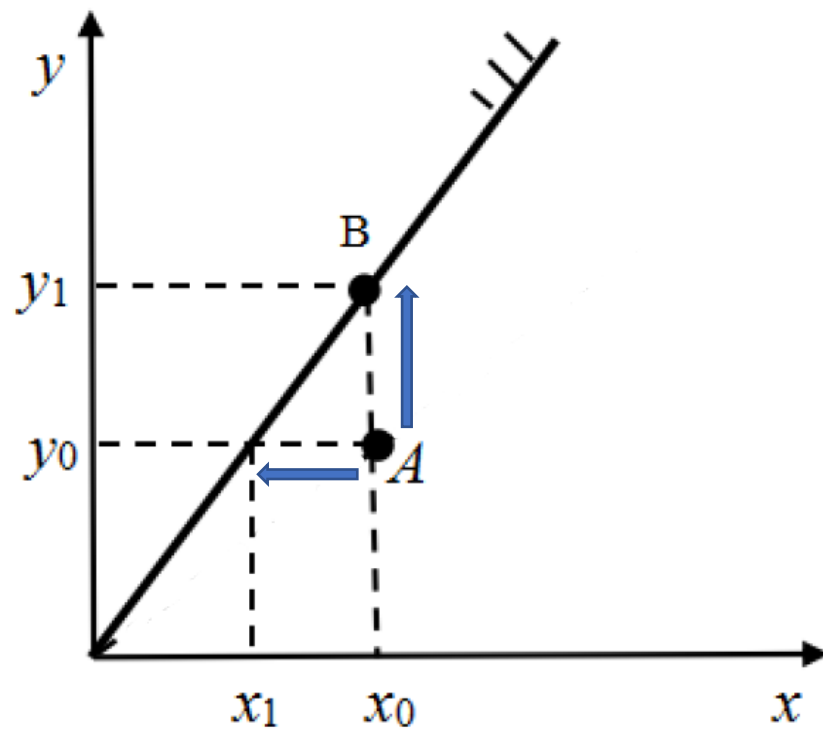
- The output-oriented measure

$$D_o(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sup\{\beta : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \beta(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{y})) \in T\}$$

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$$D_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sup\{\beta : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \beta(-\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{0})) \in T\}$$

$$D_r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; \mathbf{g}) = \sup\{\beta : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \beta\mathbf{g}) \in T\}$$





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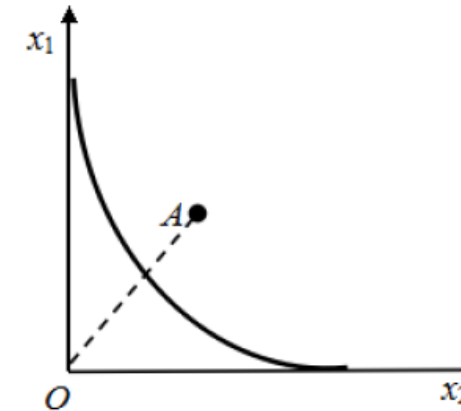
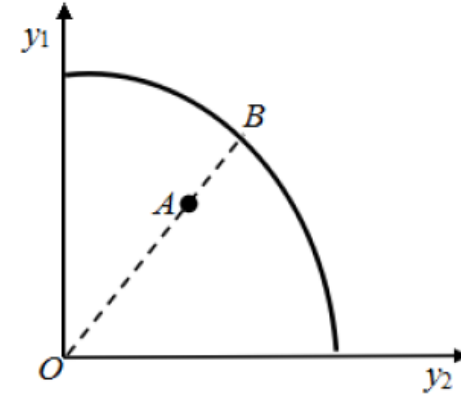
## Radial measure

- The output-oriented measure

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# Introduction

## Slack in radial measure

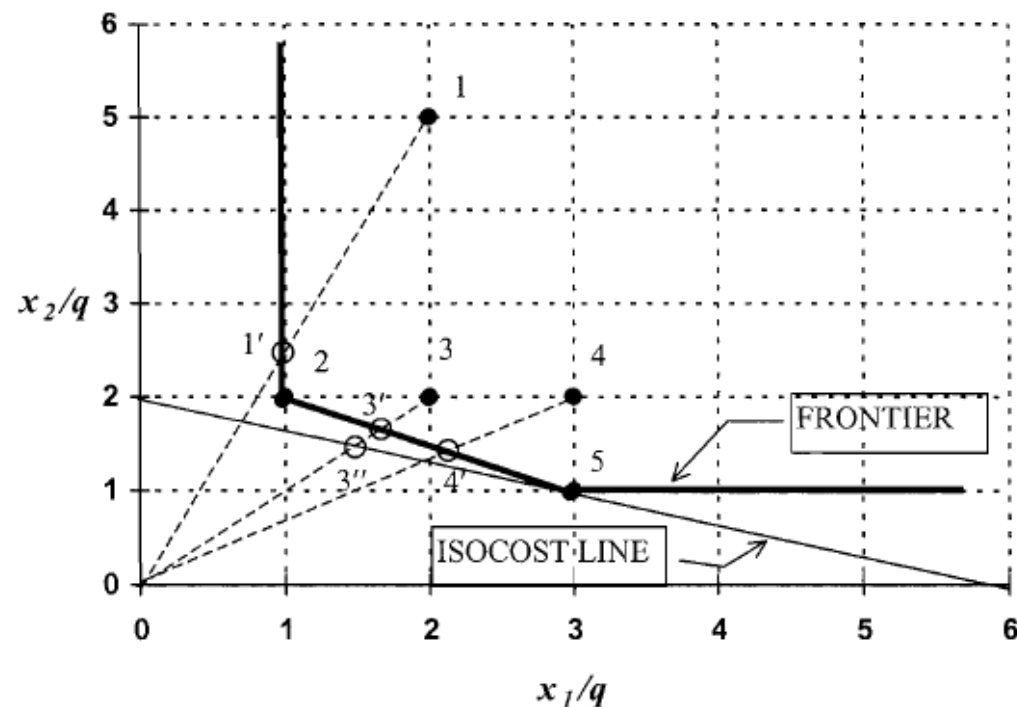
- The input-oriented measure

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## Non-radial measure

$$D_{nr}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; \mathbf{g}) = \sup\{\mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \cdot \mathbf{g}) \in T\}$$

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# Introduction

## Undesirable outputs

- Sustainability
- Environmental regulation







# Introduction

## Directional distance functions with undesirable outputs

- Technology set

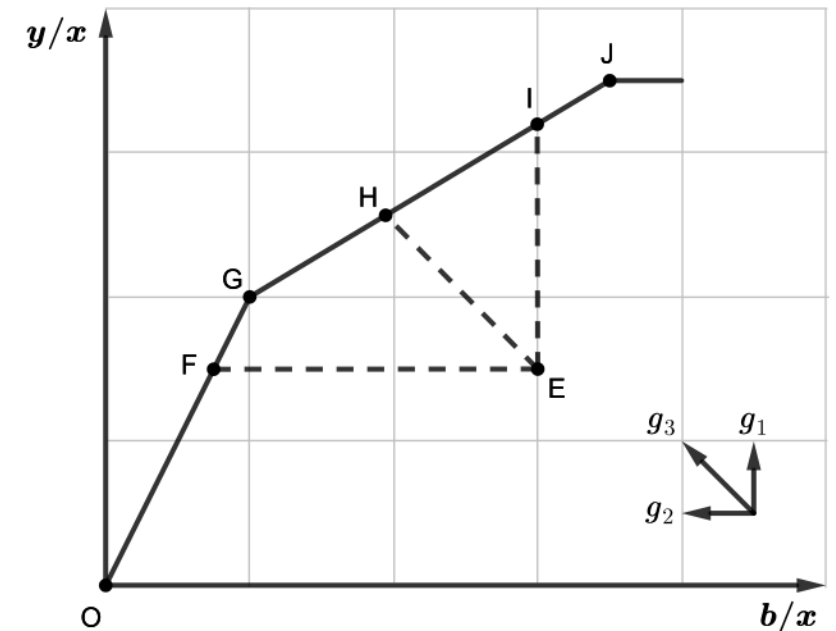
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# Model

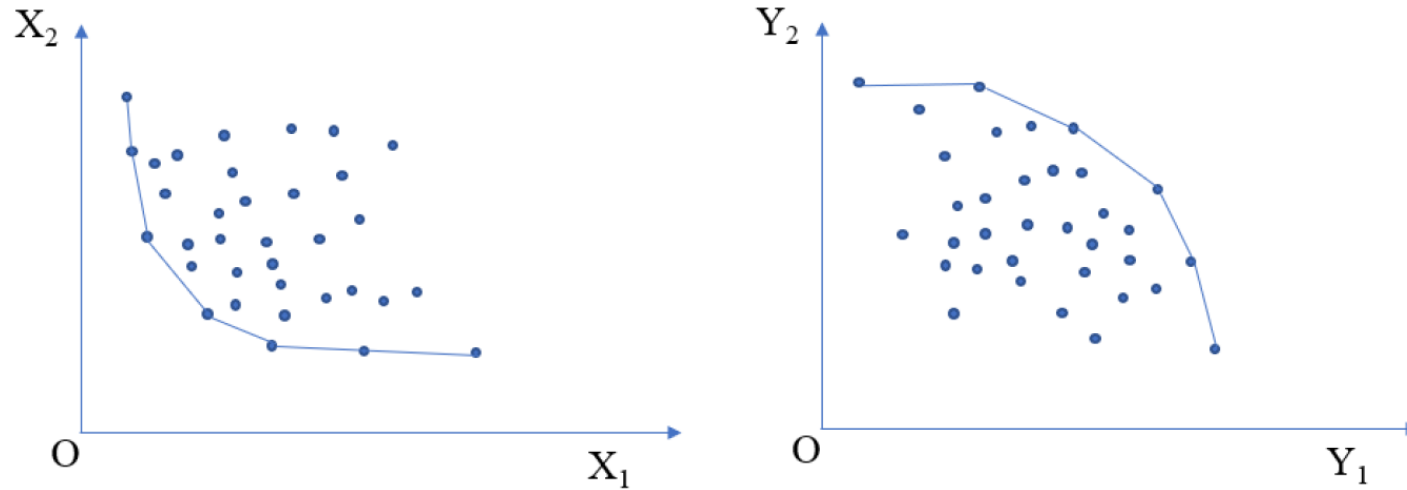
## Estimation of **technology set**

- Parametric methods
  - describe the frontier in some specific functional form
  - use econometric methods to obtain the unknown parameters
- Nonparametric methods
  - use observed data to construct the frontier



# Model

- Estimation of **technology set**



$$T = \left\{ (x, y, b) : \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j x_j \leq x, \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j y_j \geq y, \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j b_j = b, \&\lambda \geq 0 \right\}$$



# Model

- Estimation of **radial DDF**

$$D_r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{g}) = \sup\{\beta : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}) + \beta\mathbf{g}) \in T\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{g}) &= \max_{\beta, \lambda} \beta \\ \text{s.t. } &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{x}_j \leq \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{g}_x, \\ &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{y}_j \geq \mathbf{y} + \beta \mathbf{g}_y, \\ &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{b} + \beta \mathbf{g}_b, \\ &\lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, J. \end{aligned}$$



# Model

- Estimation of **non-radial DDF**  $D_{nr}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{g}) = \sup\{\mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} : ((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}) + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \cdot \mathbf{g}) \in T\}$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{nr}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{g}) &= \max_{\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}} \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ \text{s.t. } &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{x}_j \leq \mathbf{x} + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_x) \cdot \mathbf{g}_x, \\ &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{y}_j \geq \mathbf{y} + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_y) \cdot \mathbf{g}_y, \\ &\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{b} + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_b) \cdot \mathbf{g}_b, \\ &\boldsymbol{\beta} \geq 0; \lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, J. \end{aligned}$$



# Model

- **Malmquist–Luenberger productivity index** (Chung, 1997)

$$ML = \left[ \frac{1 + D_r^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g})}{1 + D_r^s(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})} \times \frac{1 + D_r^t(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g})}{1 + D_r^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})} \right]^{1/2} \quad \mathbf{g} = (\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{y}, -\mathbf{b})$$

$$MLEFFCH = \frac{1 + D_r^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g})}{1 + D_r^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})}$$

$$MLTECH = \left[ \frac{1 + D_r^t(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g})}{1 + D_r^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g})} \times \frac{1 + D_r^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})}{1 + D_r^s(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})} \right]^{1/2}$$



# Model

- **Luenberger productivity indicator** (Färe and Grosskopf, 2010)

$$L = \left[ (D_{nr}^t(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g}) - D_{nr}^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})) \times \frac{1}{2} \right. \\ \left. + [D_{nr}^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g}) - D_{nr}^s(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g}))] \times \frac{1}{2} \right] \quad \mathbf{g} = (\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{y}, -\mathbf{b})$$

$$LEFFCH = D_{nr}^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g}) - D_{nr}^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})$$

$$LTECH = [D_{nr}^t(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g}) - D_{nr}^s(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t, \mathbf{b}^t; \mathbf{g})] \times \frac{1}{2} \\ + [(D_{nr}^t(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g}) - D_{nr}^s(\mathbf{x}^s, \mathbf{y}^s, \mathbf{b}^s; \mathbf{g}))] \times \frac{1}{2}$$



# Stata commands

- **teddf** estimates directional distance function with undesirable outputs.
  - radial Debreu-Farrell measures, non-radial Russell measures
  - different production technology, e.g., sequential, global
- **gtfpch** estimates total factor productivity change with undesirable outputs
  - Malmquist-Luenberger productivity index
  - Luenberger indicator





# Stata commands

- The **teddf** command

```
teddf Xvarlist = Yvarlist:Bvarlist [if][in], dmu(varname) [  
  time(varname) gx(varlist) gy(varlist) gb(varlist) nonradial  
  wmat(name) vrs window(#) biennial sequential global tol(real)  
  maxiter(#) saving(filename[,replace]) ]
```



# Stata commands

- The **gtfpch** command

```
gtfpch Xvarlist = Yvarlist:Bvarlist [if][in], [ dmu(varname) luenberger  
  ort(string) gx(varlist) gy(varlist) gb(varlist) nonradial wmat(name)  
  window(#) biennial sequential global fgnz rd tol(real)  
  maxiter(#) saving(filename[,replace]) ]
```



# Illustrative Example

- a data set of China's provinces (Yan et al., 2020)

```
.  
. use example.dta
```

```
.  
. describe
```

```
Contains data from example.dta
```

```
obs:          90  
vars:          7          6 Aug 2020 12:12
```

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variable name	storage type	display format	variable label
Province	str12	%12s	province name
year	int	%10.0g	year
K	float	%9.0g	capital stock (in 100 million 1997 CNY)
L	double	%10.0g	employment (in 10 thousand persons)
E	double	%10.0g	energy consumption (in million tons of standard coal)
Y	float	%9.0g	real GDP (in 100 million 1997 CNY)
CO2	float	%15.1f	carbon dioxide emission (in kg)

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# Illustrative Example

- Estimation of **radial DDF** (Chung et al., 1997)

```
. teddf K L= Y: CO2, dmu( Province ) time(year) sav(ex1result,replace)
The diectinal vector is (-K -L Y -CO2)

Directional Distance Function Results:
(Row: Row # in the original data; Dval: Estimated value of DDF.)
```

	Row	Province	year	Dval
1.	1	Anhui	2013	0.2917
2.	2	Anhui	2014	0.3589
3.	3	Anhui	2015	0.3735
4.	4	Beijing	2013	-0.0000
5.	5	Beijing	2014	-0.0000
6.	6	Beijing	2015	-0.0000
7.	7	Chongqing	2013	0.2068
8.	8	Chongqing	2014	0.2362
9.	9	Chongqing	2015	0.2570
10.	10	Fujian	2013	0.0877
11.	11	Fujian	2014	0.1423
12.	12	Fujian	2015	0.1482
13.	13	Gansu	2013	0.2894
14.	14	Gansu	2014	0.3679
15.	15	Gansu	2015	0.4425
16.	16	Guangdong	2013	-0.0000
17.	17	Guangdong	2014	0.0372
18.	18	Guangdong	2015	0.0487

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$$\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{b} + \beta \mathbf{g}_b,$$

$$\lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, J.$$



# Illustrative Example

- Estimation of **non-radial DDF**

```
teddf K L= Y: CO2, dmu( Province ) time(year) nonr sav(ex2result,replace)
The weight vector is (1 1 1 1)
The diectional vector is (-K -L Y -CO2)
Non-raidal Directional Distance Function Results:
(Row: Row # in the original data; Dval: Estimated value of DDF.)
```

	Row	Province	year	Dval	B_K	B_L	B_Y	B_CO2
1.	1	Anhui	2013	1.6710	0.4594	0.7225	0.0000	0.4890
2.	2	Anhui	2014	1.7823	0.5293	0.7198	0.0000	0.5331
3.	3	Anhui	2015	1.8210	0.5827	0.7181	0.0000	0.5202
4.	4	Beijing	2013	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
5.	5	Beijing	2014	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
6.	6	Beijing	2015	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
7.	7	Chongqing	2013	1.3031	0.4994	0.5887	0.0000	0.2149
8.	8	Chongqing	2014	1.3988	0.5415	0.5781	0.0000	0.2792
9.	9	Chongqing	2015	1.3936	0.5777	0.5661	0.0000	0.2499
10.	10	Fujian	2013	0.7968	0.3578	0.4363	0.0000	0.0026
11.	11	Fujian	2014	1.0092	0.4289	0.4426	0.0000	0.1377
12.	12	Fujian	2015	0.9997	0.4915	0.4581	0.0000	0.0500
13.	13	Gansu	2013	1.9927	0.5204	0.7853	0.0000	0.6869
14.	14	Gansu	2014	2.2088	0.0000	0.4725	1.4444	0.2920
15.	15	Gansu	2015	2.3532	0.0000	0.3980	1.7971	0.1580
16.	16	Guangdong	2013	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
17.	17	Guangdong	2014	0.6215	0.1373	0.4425	0.0000	0.0417
18.	18	Guangdong	2015	0.6649	0.1980	0.4420	0.0000	0.0250
19.	19	Guangxi	2013	1.5334	0.4916	0.7061	0.0000	0.3357
20.	20	Guangxi	2014	1.6170	0.5515	0.7041	0.0000	0.3613

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$$\sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \mathbf{b}_j = \mathbf{b} + \text{diag}(\beta_b) \cdot \mathbf{g}_b,$$

$$\beta \geq 0; \lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, J.$$



# Illustrative Example

- Estimation of **Malmquist–Luenberger productivity index**

```
. egen id=group(Province)
. xtset id year
    panel variable:  id (strongly balanced)
    time variable:  year, 2013 to 2015
                delta:  1 unit

. gtfpch K L= Y: CO2, dmu( Province ) global sav(ex3result,replace)
The diectional vector is (0 0 Y -CO2)

Total Factor Productivity Change:Malmquist-Luenberger Productivity Index
(Row: Row # in the original data; Pdwise: periodwise)
```

	Row	Province	id	Pdwise	TFPCH	TECH	TECCH
1.	2	Anhui	1	2013_2014	0.9832	0.9179	1.0711
2.	3	Anhui	1	2014_2015	0.9853	0.9027	1.0916
3.	5	Beijing	2	2013_2014	1.0383	1.0000	1.0383
4.	6	Beijing	2	2014_2015	1.0620	1.0000	1.0620
5.	8	Chongqing	3	2013_2014	1.0029	0.9788	1.0246
6.	9	Chongqing	3	2014_2015	1.0476	0.9348	1.1207
7.	11	Fujian	4	2013_2014	0.9707	0.9248	1.0496
8.	12	Fujian	4	2014_2015	1.0327	0.9665	1.0685
9.	14	Gansu	5	2013_2014	0.9721	0.9011	1.0788
10.	15	Gansu	5	2014_2015	0.9791	0.8768	1.1167
11.	17	Guangdong	6	2013_2014	1.0221	0.9556	1.0695
12.	18	Guangdong	6	2014_2015	1.0175	0.9823	1.0358
13.	20	Guangxi	7	2013_2014	1.0076	0.9709	1.0378
14.	21	Guangxi	7	2014_2015	1.0750	0.9640	1.1152



# Illustrative Example

- Estimation of **Luenberger productivity indicator**

```
. gtfpch K L= Y: CO2, dmu( Province ) nonr global sav(ex4result,replace)
```

The weight vector is (0 0 1 1)

The diectional vector is (0 0 Y -CO2)

Total Factor Productivity Change:Luenberger Productivity Index (base on nonrial DDF)  
(Row: Row # in the original data; Pdwise: periodwise)

	Row	Province	id	Pdwise	TFPCH	TECH	TECCH
1.	2	Anhui	1	2013_2014	-0.0676	-0.2281	0.1605
2.	3	Anhui	1	2014_2015	0.0214	-0.0597	0.0811
3.	5	Beijing	2	2013_2014	0.0832	-0.0000	0.0832
4.	6	Beijing	2	2014_2015	0.1705	0.0000	0.1705
5.	8	Chongqing	3	2013_2014	0.0175	-0.0564	0.0738
6.	9	Chongqing	3	2014_2015	0.0178	-0.1079	0.1257
7.	11	Fujian	4	2013_2014	-0.0378	-0.0947	0.0569
8.	12	Fujian	4	2014_2015	0.0640	-0.0590	0.1230
9.	14	Gansu	5	2013_2014	-0.1748	-0.3039	0.1291
10.	15	Gansu	5	2014_2015	-0.1423	-0.2188	0.0765



# Outlook

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \text{ or } \max_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x}'$$

$$\text{such that } \mathbf{A}_{EC}\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{b}_{EC}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{IE}\mathbf{x}' \leq \mathbf{b}_{IE}$$

$$\mathbf{lowerbd} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{upperbd}$$

- **help mata** linearprogram (Mehrotra, 1992)

Step 1: Initialization

Step 2: Definition of linear programming problem

Step 3: Perform optimization

Step 4: Display or obtain results





# Outlook

- `help mata` linearprogram (Mehrotra, 1992)

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{x_1, x_2} 5x_1 + 3x_2 \\ \text{such that } & -x_1 + 11x_2 = 33 \\ & 0.5x_1 - x_2 \leq -3 \\ & 2x_1 + 14x_2 \leq 60 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 14.5 \\ & x_1 - 0.4x_2 \leq 5 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

```
mata:
  c = (5, 3)
  Aec = (-1, 11)
  bec = 33
  Aie = (0.5, -1 \ 2, 14 \ 2, 1 \ 1, -0.4)
  bie = (-3 \ 60 \ 14.5 \ 5)
  lowerbd = (0, 0)
  upperbd = (., .)
  q = LinearProgram()
  q.setCoefficients(c)
  q.setEquality(Aec, bec)
  q.setInequality(Aie, bie)
  q.setBounds(lowerbd, upperbd)
  q.optimize()
  q.parameters()
end
```



# Outlook

- <https://github.com/kerrydu/>

The screenshot shows the GitHub profile page for Kerry Du (kerrydu). The profile includes a bio, location (Xiamen University, Xiamen, China), and a list of popular repositories. The repositories listed are:

- gtfpch**: Total Factor Productivity with Undesirable Outputs in Stata. 8 stars, 5 forks.
- malmq2**: Malmquist Productivity index in Stata. 7 stars, 2 forks.
- ddfef**: Directional Distance Function for Efficiency/Productivity Analysis in Stata. 4 stars, 2 forks.
- sbmeff**: Slacks-based Measure of Efficiency in Stata. 4 stars, 2 forks.
- xtplfc\_Stata**: Stata module for estimating partially linear functional-coefficient panel data models. 3 stars, 3 forks.
- DEAMATLAB**: Data Envelopment Analysis Toolbox for MATLAB. 3 stars, 2 forks.

- <https://github.com/daopingw/>



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