

Appendix A: A single rotation

1. Basic model

1.1. A private optimum

The problem of the aquaculture producer can be written as:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T))e^{-rT}] \quad (\text{A.1})$$

With T as control variable, the first-order condition becomes:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} P(T, q(T)) = 0 \quad (\text{A.2})$$

(A.2) can be reduced to:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} = 0 \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Rewriting (A.3) gives:

$$\frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}}{P(T, q(T))} = r - \frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T}}{P(T, q(T))} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

1.2. A social optimum

The social planner problem is:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T))e^{-rT} - \int_0^T e^{-rx} D(x) dx] \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Using T as control variable, the first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} P(T, q(T)) - e^{-rT} D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.6})$$

(A.6) can be rewritten as:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} - D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.7})$$

We can also rewrite (A.7) as:

$$\frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}}{P(T, q(T))} = r - \frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T}}{P(T, q(T))} + \frac{D(T)}{P(T, q(T))} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

1.3. Optimal regulation

By comparing (A.3) and (A.7), we find that the optimal marginal tax becomes:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = D(T) \quad (\text{A.9})$$

2. Relaxing some of the basic assumptions

2.1. Incorporating pollution

2.1.1. A private optimum

The aquaculture producer now solves:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T), s_t)e^{-rT}] \quad (\text{A.10})$$

With T and s_t as control variables, the following first-order conditions are reached:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} P(T, q(T), s_t) = 0 \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial s_t} e^{-rT} = 0 \quad (\text{A.12})$$

(A.11) and (A.12) can be reformulated as:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T), s_t) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} = 0 \quad (\text{A.13})$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial s_t} = 0 \quad (\text{A.14})$$

To find the private optimal pollution level, \bar{s} , and rotation time, T_p^* , we need to solve (A.13) and (A.14) as two equations with two unknowns.

2.1.2. A social optimum

Now the objective function is:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T), s_t)e^{-rT} - D(s_t)e^{-rT}] \quad (\text{A.15})$$

When using T and s_t as control variables, the first-order conditions are obtained:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} P(T, q(T), s_t) + re^{-rT} D(s_t) = 0 \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial s_t} - D'(s_t) \right) e^{-rT} = 0 \quad (\text{A.17})$$

(A.16) and (A.17) can be reduced to:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T), s_t) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} + rD(s_t) = 0 \quad (\text{A.18})$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial s_t} - D'(s_t) = 0 \quad (\text{A.19})$$

To find the social optimal pollution level, s_t^* , and rotation time, T_s^* , we have to solve (A.18) and (A.19) as two equations with two unknowns. Furthermore, comparing (A.14) and (A.19), we observe that $s_t^* < \bar{s}$, and by comparing (A.13) and (A.18), we find that $T_s^* > T_p^*$.

2.1.3. Optimal regulation

Since $T_s^* > T_p^*$, we need a marginal subsidy to increase the rotation time. Comparing (A.14) and (A.18), the marginal subsidy is:

$$-\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = rD(s_t) \quad (\text{A.20})$$

Because $s_t < \bar{s}$ a tax on pollution is required to adjust behavior, and by comparing (A.13) and (A.18), we get the following marginal tax:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial s_t} = D'(s_t^*) \quad (\text{A.21})$$

(A.21) is a Pigovian tax.

2.2. Fixed costs

2.2.1. A private optimum

The aquaculture producer now solves:

$$\text{Max}[(P(T, q(T)) - FP)e^{-rT}] \quad (\text{A.22})$$

With T as control variable, the first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} (P(T, q(T)) - FP) = 0 \quad (\text{A.23})$$

(A.23) can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T)) + rFP + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} = 0 \quad (\text{A.24})$$

2.2.2. A social optimum

The social planner objective function becomes:

$$\text{Max}[(P(T, q(T)) - FS)e^{-rT} - \int_0^T e^{-rx} D(x) dx] \quad (\text{A.25})$$

With T as control variable, the first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T}\right]e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} (P(T, q(T)) - FS) - e^{-rT} D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.26})$$

(A.26) reduces to:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - rP(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} + rFS - D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.27})$$

2.2.3. Optimal regulation

By comparing (A.24) and (A.27), we find the marginal tax:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = D(T) - r(FS - FP) \quad (\text{A.28})$$

2.3. Running costs

2.3.1. A private optimum

The aquaculture producer now maximize:

$$\text{Max}[R(T, q(T))e^{-rT} - \int_0^T e^{-ry} CP(y)dy] \quad (\text{A.29})$$

Using T as control variable, the following first-order condition applies:

$$\left[\frac{\partial R}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T}\right]e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} (R(T, q(T)) - CP(T)) = 0 \quad (\text{A.30})$$

(A.30) can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial T} - rR(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial R}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} - CP(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.31})$$

2.3.2. A social optimum

The present value of the current and future welfare becomes:

$$\text{Max}[R(T, q(T))e^{-rT} - \int_0^T e^{-ry} CS(y)dy - \int_0^T e^{-rx} D(x)dx] \quad (\text{A.32})$$

With T as control variable, the first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial R}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T}\right]e^{-rT} - re^{-rT} R(T, q(T)) - e^{-rT} CS(T) - e^{-rT} D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.33})$$

(A.33) reduces to:

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial T} - rR(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial R}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} - CS(T) - D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.34})$$

3.3.3. Optimal regulation

By comparing (A.31) and (A.34), we get the marginal tax:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = D(T) + CS(T) - CP(T) \quad (\text{A.35})$$

2.4. Another formulation of quality

2.4.1. A private optimum

The aquaculture producer now solves:

$$\text{Max}[(RP(T) - C(T))e^{-rT}] \quad (\text{A.36})$$

The following first-order condition is obtained:

$$[RP'(T) - C'(T)]e^{-rT} - re^{-rT}(RP(T) - C(T)) = 0 \quad (\text{A.37})$$

(A.37) can be written as:

$$RP'(T) - C'(T) - rRP(T) + rC(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.38})$$

2.4.2. A social optimum

The discounted welfare maximization problem is:

$$\text{Max}[(RS(T) - C(T))e^{-rT} - \int_0^T e^{-rx} D(x) dx] \quad (\text{A.39})$$

Using T as control variable, we obtain the following first-order condition:

$$[RS'(T) - C'(T)]e^{-rT} - re^{-rT}(RS(T) - C(T)) - e^{-rT} D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.40})$$

(A.40) reduces to:

$$RS'(T) - C'(T) - rRS(T) + rC(T) - D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.41})$$

2.4.3. Optimal regulation

Now from (A.38) and (A.41), we get the marginal tax:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = D(T) - RS'(T) + RP'(T) + r(RS(T) - RP(T)) \quad (\text{A.42})$$

2.5. Private and social discount rates

2.5.1. A private optimum

The aquaculture producer maximizes:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T))e^{-r_p T}] \quad (\text{A.43})$$

With T as control variable, the first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-r_p T} - r_p e^{-r_p T} P(T, q(T)) = 0 \quad (\text{A.44})$$

(A.44) can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - r_p P(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} = 0 \quad (\text{A.45})$$

2.5.2. A social optimum

The social planner's objective function becomes:

$$\text{Max}[P(T, q(T))e^{-r_s T} - \int_0^T e^{-r_s x} D(x) dx] \quad (\text{A.46})$$

The first-order condition is:

$$\left[\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} \right] e^{-r_s T} - r_s e^{-r_s T} P(T, q(T)) - e^{-r_s T} D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.47})$$

(A.47) reduces to:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} - r_s P(T, q(T)) + \frac{\partial P}{\partial q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial T} - D(T) = 0 \quad (\text{A.48})$$

2.5.3. Optimal regulation

By comparing (A.45) and (A.48), we obtain the following marginal tax:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = D(T) + (r_s - r_p) P(T, q(T)) \quad (\text{A.49})$$