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Payoff functions to regional residents

We consider a situation in which each resident has a linear benefit function $u(x,a)=ax$ and $v(x,b)=bx$ and the cost function is $c(x)=\frac{1}{\alpha}x^\alpha$ ($\alpha \geq 2$). In the following, the first (second) line defines the payoff to a resident in region A (region B, respectively).

$$uA[x_, a_, T_, \alpha_] := a x - \frac{\gamma}{n_A \alpha} * x^\alpha + \frac{n_B}{n_A} * T$$

$$uB[x_, b_, T_, \alpha_] := b x - \frac{(1 - \gamma)}{n_B \alpha} * x^\alpha - T$$

Solving the model in Section 3 backward

Bargaining breakdown outcome

First, we derive the breakdown level of the project as follows:

`Solve[D[uA[x, aR, 0, alpha], x] == 0, x]`

$$\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow \left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right\} \right\}$$

Thus, $x^A(a_R, \gamma) = \left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}$. The first derivative of $x^A(a_R, \gamma)$ is $\frac{\left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}}{(-1+\alpha) a_R}$:

`Simplify[D[(aR nA / gamma)^(1/(-1+alpha)), aR], alpha >= 2]`

$$\frac{\left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}}{(-1 + \alpha) a_R}$$

The manipulability of breakdown outcome can be measured by $\frac{d^2 x^A}{da_R dy} = \frac{\left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}}{(-1+\alpha) a_R}$, which is shown to be negative as follows:

`Simplify[D[(aR nA / gamma)^(1/(-1+alpha)) / ((-1+alpha) aR), gamma]]`

$$-\frac{\left(\frac{a_R n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}}{(-1 + \alpha)^2 \gamma a_R}$$

Nash bargaining outcome

The Nash product is given as NP in the next line:

$$\begin{aligned}
 NP &= \beta \text{Log} \left[u_A[x, aR, T, \alpha] - u_A \left[\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}, aR, \theta, \alpha \right] \right] + \\
 &\quad (1 - \beta) \text{Log} \left[u_B[x, bR, T, \alpha] - u_B \left[\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}, bR, \theta, \alpha \right] \right] \\
 &\quad (1 - \beta) \text{Log} \left[-T + bR x - bR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \frac{x^\alpha (1 - \gamma)}{\alpha n_B} + \frac{(1 - \gamma) \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_B} \right] + \\
 &\quad \beta \text{Log} \left[aR x - \frac{x^\alpha \gamma}{\alpha n_A} - aR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + \frac{\gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_A} + \frac{T n_B}{n_A} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

In the next two lines, we differentiate NP with respect to x and T:

D[NP, x]

D[NP, T]

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left((1 - \beta) \left(bR - \frac{x^{-1+\alpha} (1 - \gamma)}{n_B} \right) \right) / \left(-T + bR x - bR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \frac{x^\alpha (1 - \gamma)}{\alpha n_B} + \frac{(1 - \gamma) \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_B} \right) + \\
 &\left(\beta \left(aR - \frac{x^{-1+\alpha} \gamma}{n_A} \right) \right) / \left(aR x - \frac{x^\alpha \gamma}{\alpha n_A} - aR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + \frac{\gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_A} + \frac{T n_B}{n_A} \right) \\
 &- \left((1 - \beta) / \left(-T + bR x - bR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \frac{x^\alpha (1 - \gamma)}{\alpha n_B} + \frac{(1 - \gamma) \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_B} \right) \right) + \\
 &(\beta n_B) / \left(n_A \left(aR x - \frac{x^\alpha \gamma}{\alpha n_A} - aR \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + \frac{\gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_A} + \frac{T n_B}{n_A} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The project level achieved through the Nash bargaining is calculated as

$$x^{nb}(aR, bR) = (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}$$

Solve[n_A * aR + n_B * bR == x^(α - 1), x]

$$\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right\} \right\}$$

In the next lines, the transfer level is calculated:

Solve[D[NP, T] == 0, T]

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left\{ \left\{ T \rightarrow -\frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(x^\alpha \beta - x^\alpha \gamma + aR x \alpha n_A - aR x \alpha \beta n_A - aR \alpha n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + aR \alpha \beta n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \right. \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. \left. \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR x \alpha \beta n_B + bR \alpha \beta \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} n_B \right) \right\} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(x^\alpha \beta - x^\alpha \gamma + aR x \alpha n_A - aR x \alpha \beta n_A - aR \alpha n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + aR \alpha \beta n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR x \alpha \beta n_B + bR \alpha \beta \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} n_B \right) / \cdot x \rightarrow (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}$$

Simplify[

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$$-\frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(-aR \alpha n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + aR \alpha \beta n_A \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + bR \alpha \beta \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} n_B + aR \alpha n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - aR \alpha \beta n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - bR \alpha \beta n_B (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} + \beta \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - \gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(\alpha \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} - \alpha \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} + \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + aR \alpha (-1 + \beta) n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR \alpha \beta n_B \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right) \right)$$

By the calculations above, we define the negotiated level of project $X_{nb}[aR, bR, \alpha]$ and transfers $T_{nb}[aR, bR, \beta, \gamma, \alpha]$ as follows:

$$X_{nb}[aR_, bR_, \alpha_] := (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}}$$

$$T_{nb}[aR_, bR_, \beta_, \gamma_, \alpha_] :=$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(\alpha \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} - \alpha \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} + \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + aR \alpha (-1 + \beta) n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR \alpha \beta n_B \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right) \right)$$

In the next lines, the first (second) line calculates the payoff to the median resident of region A (region B, respectively).

uA[Xnb[aR, bR, α], aM, Tnb[aR, bR, β, γ, α], α]

uB[Xnb[aR, bR, α], bM, Tnb[aR, bR, β, γ, α], α]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & aM (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \frac{\gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_A} + \\
 & \frac{1}{\alpha n_A} \left(\alpha \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} - \alpha \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} + \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + aR \alpha (-1 + \beta) n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR \alpha \beta n_B \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right) \right) \\
 & bM (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \frac{(1 - \gamma) \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha}{\alpha n_B} - \\
 & \frac{1}{\alpha n_B} \left(\alpha \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} - \alpha \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{-1+\alpha}} + \beta \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \gamma \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + aR \alpha (-1 + \beta) n_A (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - \beta \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \gamma \left((aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right)^\alpha - bR \alpha \beta n_B \left(\left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} - (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{\frac{1}{-1+\alpha}} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The calculation of equilibria when $\alpha = 2$ (quadratic cost)

The project level and the transfer level are calculated as follows:

Xnb[aR, bR, 2]

Simplify[Tnb[aR, bR, β, γ, 2]]

$aR n_A + bR n_B$

$$\frac{(\beta + \gamma) (aR (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bR \gamma n_B)^2}{2 \gamma^2 n_B}$$

The payoff to region A's median resident is derived in the next line.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Collect} \left[uA \left[Xnb[aR, bR, 2], aM, \frac{(\beta + \gamma) (aR (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bR \gamma n_B)^2}{2 \gamma^2 n_B}, 2 \right], aR \right] \\
 & aR^2 \left(-\frac{\gamma n_A}{2} + \frac{(-1 + \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_A}{2 \gamma^2} \right) + aM bR n_B - \frac{bR^2 \gamma n_B^2}{2 n_A} + \\
 & \frac{bR^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_B^2}{2 n_A} + aR \left(aM n_A - bR \gamma n_B + \frac{bR (-1 + \gamma) (\beta + \gamma) n_B}{\gamma} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D\left[u_A\left[X_{nb}[aR, bR, 2], aM, \frac{(\beta + \gamma)(aR(-1 + \gamma)n_A + bR\gamma n_B)^2}{2\gamma^2 n_B}, 2\right], aR\right]$$

$$aM n_A - \gamma(aR n_A + bR n_B) + \frac{1}{\gamma^2}(-1 + \gamma)(\beta + \gamma)(aR(-1 + \gamma)n_A + bR\gamma n_B)$$

In the next line, the best response function for region A's median resident is derived.

$$\text{Solve}\left[D\left[u_A\left[X_{nb}[aR, bR, 2], aM, \frac{(\beta + \gamma)(aR(-1 + \gamma)n_A + bR\gamma n_B)^2}{2\gamma^2 n_B}, 2\right], aR\right] == 0, aR\right]$$

$$\left\{\left\{aR \rightarrow -\left(\frac{\gamma(aM\gamma n_A - bR\beta n_B - bR\gamma n_B + bR\beta\gamma n_B)}{(\beta + \gamma - 2\beta\gamma - 2\gamma^2 + \beta\gamma^2)n_A}\right)\right\}\right\}$$

In the next line, the best response function for region B's median resident is derived.

$$\text{Solve}\left[D\left[u_B\left[X_{nb}[aR, bR, 2], bM, \frac{(\beta + \gamma)(aR(-1 + \gamma)n_A + bR\gamma n_B)^2}{2\gamma^2 n_B}, 2\right], bR\right] == 0, bR\right]$$

$$\left\{\left\{bR \rightarrow \frac{aR\beta n_A - aR\beta\gamma n_A + bM\gamma n_B}{(1 + \beta)\gamma n_B}\right\}\right\}$$

The equilibrium representatives are calculated in the next line.

$$\text{Solve}\left[\left\{aR == -\left(\frac{\gamma(aM\gamma n_A - bR\beta n_B - bR\gamma n_B + bR\beta\gamma n_B)}{(\beta + \gamma - 2\beta\gamma - 2\gamma^2 + \beta\gamma^2)n_A}\right), bR == \frac{aR\beta n_A - aR\beta\gamma n_A + bM\gamma n_B}{(1 + \beta)\gamma n_B}\right\}, \{aR, bR\}\right]$$

Simplify[

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$$\left\{\left\{aR \rightarrow -\left(\frac{-aM\gamma^2 n_A - aM\beta\gamma^2 n_A + bM\beta\gamma n_B + bM\gamma^2 n_B - bM\beta\gamma^2 n_B}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_A}\right), bR \rightarrow -\left(\frac{-aM\beta\gamma n_A + aM\beta\gamma^2 n_A + bM\beta n_B + bM\gamma n_B - 2bM\beta\gamma n_B - 2bM\gamma^2 n_B + bM\beta\gamma^2 n_B}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_B}\right)\right\}\right\}$$

$$\left\{\left\{aR \rightarrow \frac{\gamma(aM(1 + \beta)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma) - \gamma)n_B)}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_A}, bR \rightarrow -\left(\frac{aM\beta(-1 + \gamma)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma)^2 + \gamma - 2\gamma^2)n_B}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_B}\right)\right\}\right\}$$

By using the equilibrium representatives, the equilibrium level of the project and the equilibrium level of the transfers are derived in the next line.

$$\text{Simplify}\left[X_{nb}\left[\frac{\gamma(aM(1 + \beta)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma) - \gamma)n_B)}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_A}, -\left(\frac{aM\beta(-1 + \gamma)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma)^2 + \gamma - 2\gamma^2)n_B}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_B}\right), 2\right]\right]$$

$$\text{Simplify}\left[T_{nb}\left[\frac{\gamma(aM(1 + \beta)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma) - \gamma)n_B)}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_A}, -\left(\frac{aM\beta(-1 + \gamma)\gamma n_A + bM(\beta(-1 + \gamma)^2 + \gamma - 2\gamma^2)n_B}{(\beta + \gamma)(-1 + 2\gamma)n_B}\right), \beta, \gamma, 2\right]\right]$$

$$\frac{aM\gamma n_A + bM(-1 + \gamma)n_B}{-1 + 2\gamma}$$

$$\frac{\gamma^2(aM(-1 + \gamma)n_A + bM\gamma n_B)^2}{2(1 - 2\gamma)^2(\beta + \gamma)n_B}$$

The equilibrium payoffs of the median residents are calculated in the next two lines.

$$\begin{aligned}
& u_A \left[\frac{aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B}{-1 + 2\gamma}, aM, \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_B}, 2 \right] \\
& u_B \left[\frac{aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B}{-1 + 2\gamma}, bM, \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_B}, 2 \right] \\
& \frac{aM (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)}{-1 + 2\gamma} - \frac{\gamma (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)^2}{2 (-1 + 2\gamma)^2 n_A} + \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_A} \\
& \frac{bM (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)}{-1 + 2\gamma} - \frac{(1 - \gamma) (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)^2}{2 (-1 + 2\gamma)^2 n_B} - \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_B}
\end{aligned}$$

Table 1 in Section 4.2 of the main text

We examine what γ maximizes the payoff to region A's median resident. First, we differentiate the payoff to region A's median resident with respect to γ in the next line.

$$\begin{aligned}
& u_A \left[\frac{aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B}{-1 + 2\gamma}, aM, \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_B}, 2 \right] \\
& \frac{aM (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)}{-1 + 2\gamma} - \frac{\gamma (aM \gamma n_A + bM (-1 + \gamma) n_B)^2}{2 (-1 + 2\gamma)^2 n_A} + \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) n_A + bM \gamma n_B)^2}{2 (1 - 2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) n_A}
\end{aligned}$$

The function "MUA" is a reformulation of the above derivative coefficient of the payoff to region A's median resident.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{MUA}[aM_ , bM_ , nA_ , nB_ , \beta_] := \\
& \frac{1}{2 (\beta + \gamma)^2 (-1 + 2\gamma)^3 n_A} \left(aM^2 (\gamma^2 - 2\gamma^3 - 2\beta\gamma (-1 + \gamma + \gamma^2)) + \beta^2 (2 - 4\gamma + 3\gamma^2 - 2\gamma^3) \right) nA^2 - \\
& \frac{2 aM bM (\beta (2 - 3\gamma) \gamma + \gamma^2 - 2\gamma^3 + \beta^2 (-1 + \gamma)^2 (1 + 2\gamma))}{nA nB} + \\
& \frac{bM^2 (2\beta (-1 + \gamma)^2 \gamma + \gamma^2 - 2\gamma^3 + \beta^2 (1 - 2\gamma + 3\gamma^2 - 2\gamma^3))}{nB^2}
\end{aligned}$$

We calculate $\gamma[a_M]$ for all seven cases in Table 1. In this calculation, we assume that $n_B = 1$, $bM = 0.5$, and $\beta = 0.5$.

Case (1)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\left\{ \text{MUA} \left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2 \right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, nA = 1 \right\}, \gamma \right]$$

N[%]

$$nA = 1 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root} \left[-13 + 22 \#1 - 56 \#1^2 + 96 \#1^3 \ \&, 1 \right]$$

$$nA = 1. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.586363$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{n_A}{2}, 1/2, n_A, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] /. n_A \rightarrow 1 /. \gamma \rightarrow 0.5863632562813743`$$

-284.397

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.586363$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (1).

Case (2)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{n_A}{2}, 1/2, n_A, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, n_A = 3/2\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$n_A = \frac{3}{2} \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-730 + 640 \#1 - 2147 \#1^2 + 5262 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$n_A = 1.5 \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.595239$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{n_A}{2}, 1/2, n_A, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] /. n_A \rightarrow 3/2 /. \gamma \rightarrow 0.5952389761857527`$$

-577.565

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.595239$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (2).

Case (3)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{n_A}{2}, 1/2, n_A, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, n_A = 2\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$n_A = 2 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-113 + 62 \#1 - 271 \#1^2 + 806 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$n_A = 2. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.598785$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{n_A}{2}, 1/2, n_A, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] /. n_A \rightarrow 2 /. \gamma \rightarrow 0.5987851737135482`$$

-1014.3

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.598785$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (3).

Case (4)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, nA = 5/2\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$nA = \frac{5}{2} \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-3706 + 1408 \#1 - 7859 \#1^2 + 26286 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$nA = 2.5 \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.600621$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] \ /. \ nA \rightarrow 2.5 \ /. \ \gamma \rightarrow 0.6006210706462157 \\ -1615.51$$

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.600621$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (4).

Case (5)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, nA = 3\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$nA = 3 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-421 + 118 \#1 - 824 \#1^2 + 2976 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$nA = 3. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.601712$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] \ /. \ nA \rightarrow 3 \ /. \ \gamma \rightarrow 0.6017115778932084 \\ -2404.84$$

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.601712$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (5).

Case (6)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, nA = 7/2\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$nA = \frac{7}{2} \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-11258 + 2432 \#1 - 20851 \#1^2 + 79406 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$nA = 3.5 \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.602418$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] \ /. \ nA \rightarrow 3.5 \ /. \ \gamma \rightarrow 0.6024180908308389 \\ -3406.47$$

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.602418$ is the optimal γ for aM in Case (6).

Case (7)

Solving the FOC for region A's median resident yields

$$\text{Reduce}\left[\left\{\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right] = 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1, nA = 4\right\}, \gamma\right]$$

N[%]

$$nA = 4 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}\left[-1105 + 190 \#1 - 1967 \#1^2 + 7782 \#1^3 \ \&, 1\right]$$

$$nA = 4. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.602904$$

The solution satisfies the SOC because

$$D\left[\text{MUA}\left[1 + \frac{nA}{2}, 1/2, nA, 1, 1/2\right], \gamma\right] /. nA \rightarrow 4 /. \gamma \rightarrow 0.6029043597227752`$$

$$-4644.72$$

Thus, $\gamma[a_M]=0.602904$ is the optimal γ for a_M in Case (7).

Table 2 in Section 4.3 of the main text

The payoff to a resident in the regions are defined as follows in this section. The first (second) line is the payoff to a region A's (region B's, respectively) resident:

$$UA[x_, a_, T_, \alpha_, IA_, nA_, nB_] := a x - \frac{\gamma}{nA * \alpha} * x^\alpha + \frac{nB}{nA} * T + \frac{IA}{nA} + t a$$

$$UB[x_, b_, T_, \alpha_, IB_, nA_, nB_] := b x - \frac{(1 - \gamma)}{nB * \alpha} * x^\alpha - T + \frac{IB}{nB} + t (N - a)$$

We consider the case of $\alpha=2$. In this case, x^{nb} ("xnb" in the next line) and T^{nb} ("tnb" in the next line) are calculated as follows:

$$x_{nb} = \frac{aM \gamma nA + bM (-1 + \gamma) nB}{-1 + 2 \gamma}$$

$$t_{nb} = \frac{\gamma^2 (aM (-1 + \gamma) nA + bM \gamma nB)^2}{2 (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) nB}$$

$$\frac{bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma}{-1 + 2 \gamma}$$

$$\frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nB (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)}$$

$$\frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nB (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)}$$

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$$\frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nB (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)}$$

$$\frac{bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma}{-1 + 2 \gamma}$$

If $\alpha=2$, the payoffs are recalculated as follows:

UA[xnb, a, tnb, 2, IA, nA, nB]

UB[xnb, a, tnb, 2, IB, nA, nB]

$$\frac{IA}{nA} + a t + \frac{a (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)}{-1 + 2 \gamma} -$$

$$\frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1 + 2 \gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nA (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)}$$

$$\frac{IB}{nB} + (-a + N) t + \frac{a (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)}{-1 + 2 \gamma} -$$

$$\frac{(1 - \gamma) (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nB (-1 + 2 \gamma)^2} - \frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nB (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)}$$

The following line calculates the migration equilibrium condition: that is, "a" in the next line is the individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B.

Solve[UA[xnb, a, tnb, 2, IA, nA, nB] == UB[xnb, a, tnb, 2, IB, nA, nB], a]

$$\left\{ \left\{ a \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + N t - \frac{(1 - \gamma) (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nB (-1 + 2 \gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1 + \gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1 + 2 \gamma)^2} - \frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nA (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)} - \frac{\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1 + \gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2}{2 nB (1 - 2 \gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma)} \right) \right\} \right\}$$

The following calculation is done based on the assumption that $\beta = 1/2$ and $I_A = I_B$ (the same income across the regions).

The following function "Li" calculates the Lindahl price:

$$Li[aM_, nA_, bM_, nB_] := \frac{aM * nA}{aM * nA + bM * nB}$$

For each population distribution listed in Table 2, we derive the value of " γ " that stabilizes the population distribution. The calculation is done under the assumption that $n_B = 1$, $bM=1/2$, $\beta = 1/2$, $t=1$, and $I_A = I_B = 10$. Note that *under all population distributions in Table 2, the marginal individual is equal to 1*.

Case (1) $nA=1$, $aM=1.5$.

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

$$Li[1.5, 1, 1/2, 1]$$

0.75

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - ((1-\gamma)(bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2) / \right. \\ \left. (2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2) + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2) / (2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2) / (2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) \right) / . nA \rightarrow 1 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / . \\ bM \rightarrow 1/2 / . aM \rightarrow 3/2 / . \beta \rightarrow 1/2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(2t - \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2}\right)^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma\right)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{3\gamma}{2}\right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{3\gamma}{2}\right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

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$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(2t - \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2}\right)^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma\right)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{3\gamma}{2}\right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + \frac{3\gamma}{2}\right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right) = 1, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t > 0 \right\}, \gamma]$$

N[

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$$t > 0 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}[-1 + 8 \#1 - 48 \#1^2 + 64 \#1^3 \ \&, 1]$$

$$t > 0. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.581179$$

We find that $\gamma^S=0.581179$ in this case.

Case (2) nA=1.5, aM=1.75

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

$$Li [1.75, 1.5, 1 / 2, 1]$$

$$0.84$$

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - \left((1-\gamma) (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2 \right) / \left(2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2 \right) + \right. \\ \left. \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \left(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2 \right) / \right. \\ \left. \left(2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) \right) - \left(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2 \right) / \right. \\ \left. \left(2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta + \gamma) \right) \right) / . nA \rightarrow 1.5 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / .$$

$$bM \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . aM \rightarrow 1.75 / . \beta \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 2.5$$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(3.333333 + 2.5t - \frac{0.833333 (2.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \right. \\ \left. \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 2.625 \gamma \right)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{0.333333 \gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 2.625 \gamma \right)^2}{(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(3.3333333333333334 + 2.5t - \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left(0.8333333333333333 \left(2.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \right)^2 \gamma^2 \right) / \left((1-2\gamma)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \right) \right) - \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 2.625 \gamma \right)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \left(0.3333333333333333 \gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 2.625 \gamma \right)^2 \right) / \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. (-1+2\gamma)^2 \right) = 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right\}, \gamma]$$

$$t = 1. \&\& \gamma = 0.600014$$

We find that $\gamma^S=0.600014$ in this case.

Case (3) nA=2, aM=2

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

$N[\text{Li}[2, 2, 1/2, 1]]$

0.888889

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - \left((1-\gamma) (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma^2) \right) / \right. \\ \left. (2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2) + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma^2)}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma^2) / (2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma^2) / (2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma))) \right) / . nA \rightarrow 2 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / . \\ bM \rightarrow 1/2 / . aM \rightarrow 2 / . \beta \rightarrow 1/2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 3$$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(5 + 3t - \frac{3 \left(4(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \right)^2 \gamma^2}{4(1-2\gamma)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \right)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 4\gamma \right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 4\gamma \right)^2}{4(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

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$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(5 + 3t - \frac{3 \left(4(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \right)^2 \gamma^2}{4(1-2\gamma)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \right)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 4\gamma \right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 4\gamma \right)^2}{4(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right) = 1, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right\}, \gamma]$$

N[

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$t = 1 \ \&\& \ \gamma = \text{Root}[94 - 157 \#1 - 906 \#1^2 + 1443 \#1^3 \ \&, 3]$

$t = 1. \ \&\& \ \gamma = 0.638465$

We find that $\gamma^S=0.638465$ in this case.

Case (4) $nA=2.5, aM=2.25$

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

$N[\text{Li}[2.25, 2.5, 1/2, 1]]$

0.918367

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - \frac{((1-\gamma)(bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2)}{(2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2)} + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \frac{(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2)}{(2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma))} - \frac{(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2)}{(2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma))} \right) / . nA \rightarrow 2.5 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / .$$

bM → 1 / 2 / . **aM** → 2.25 / . **β** → 1 / 2 / . **IA** → 10 / . **IB** → 10 / . **N** → 3.5

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(6. + 3.5t - \frac{0.7 (5.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 5.625 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{0.2 \gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 5.625 \gamma)^2}{(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(6. + 3.5t - \frac{0.7 (5.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 5.625 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{0.2 \gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 5.625 \gamma)^2}{(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right) = 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right\}, \gamma \right]$$

N[
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t = 1. && $\gamma = 0.677132$

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We find that $\gamma^S=0.677132$ in this case.

Case (5) nA=3, aM=2.5

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

N[Li[2.5, 3, 1 / 2, 1]]

0.9375

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - ((1-\gamma)(bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2) / \right. \\ \left. (2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2) + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2) / (2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2) / (2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) \right) / . nA \rightarrow 3 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / . \\ bM \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . aM \rightarrow 2.5 / . \beta \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 4$$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(\frac{20}{3} + 4t - \frac{2 (7.5 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{3 (1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 7.5 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 7.5 \gamma)^2}{6 (-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(\frac{20}{3} + 4t - \frac{2 (7.5 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{3 (1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 7.5 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left. \frac{\gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 7.5 \gamma)^2}{6 (-1+2\gamma)^2} \right) = 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right\}, \gamma \right]$$

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t == 1. && \gamma == 0.712904

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We find that $\gamma^S=0.712904$ in this case.

Case (6) $nA=3.5, aM=2.75$

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

N[Li[2.75, 3.5, 1/2, 1]]

0.950617

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{nA} + \frac{IB}{nB} + Nt - \left((1-\gamma) (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2 \right) / \left(2 nB (-1+2\gamma)^2 \right) + \frac{\gamma (bM nB (-1+\gamma) + aM nA \gamma)^2}{2 nA (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \left(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2 \right) / \left(2 nA (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma) \right) - \left(\gamma^2 (aM nA (-1+\gamma) + bM nB \gamma)^2 \right) / \left(2 nB (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma) \right) \right) / . nA \rightarrow 3.5 / . nB \rightarrow 1 / .$$

$bM \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . aM \rightarrow 2.75 / . \beta \rightarrow 1 / 2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 4.5$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(7.14286 + 4.5t - \frac{0.642857 (9.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 9.625 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{0.142857 \gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 9.625 \gamma)^2}{(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

Reduce $\left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \left(7.142857142857143 + 4.5t - \left(\frac{0.6428571428571428 (9.625 (-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2 \right) / \left((1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma) \right) - \frac{(1-\gamma) (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 9.625 \gamma)^2}{2 (-1+2\gamma)^2} + \left(\frac{0.14285714285714285 \gamma (\frac{1}{2} (-1+\gamma) + 9.625 \gamma)^2 \right) / (-1+2\gamma)^2 \right) \right\} = 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right], \gamma]$

N[
%]

$t = 1. \&\& \gamma = 0.744515$

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We find that $\gamma^S=0.744515$ in this case.

Case (7) $nA=4, aM=3$

In this case, the Lindahl price is as follows:

$N[Li[3, 4, 1 / 2, 1]]$

0.96

In this case, the marginal individual that is indifferent between residing in region A and region B is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(-\frac{IA}{n_A} + \frac{IB}{n_B} + Nt - ((1-\gamma)(bM n_B (-1+\gamma) + aM n_A \gamma)^2) / \right. \\ \left. (2 n_B (-1+2\gamma)^2) + \frac{\gamma (bM n_B (-1+\gamma) + aM n_A \gamma)^2}{2 n_A (-1+2\gamma)^2} - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM n_A (-1+\gamma) + bM n_B \gamma)^2) / (2 n_A (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) - \right. \\ \left. (\gamma^2 (aM n_A (-1+\gamma) + bM n_B \gamma)^2) / (2 n_B (1-2\gamma)^2 (\beta+\gamma)) \right) / . n_A \rightarrow 4 / . n_B \rightarrow 1 / . \\ bM \rightarrow 1/2 / . aM \rightarrow 3 / . \beta \rightarrow 1/2 / . IA \rightarrow 10 / . IB \rightarrow 10 / . N \rightarrow 5$$

$$\frac{1}{2t} \left(\frac{15}{2} + 5t - \frac{5(12(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{8(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 12\gamma \right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 12\gamma \right)^2}{8(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right)$$

In the next line, we calculate the value of γ at which the marginal individual is equal to 1.

Reduce $\left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \right. \right.$

$$\left. \left(\frac{15}{2} + 5t - \frac{5(12(-1+\gamma) + \frac{\gamma}{2})^2 \gamma^2}{8(1-2\gamma)^2 (\frac{1}{2} + \gamma)} - \frac{(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 12\gamma \right)^2}{2(-1+2\gamma)^2} + \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}(-1+\gamma) + 12\gamma \right)^2}{8(-1+2\gamma)^2} \right) = \right.$$

$\left. 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < \gamma \leq 1, t = 1 \right\}, \gamma]$

N[
%]

$$t = 1 \ \&\ \gamma = \text{Root}[332 - 475 \#1 - 9444 \#1^2 + 12313 \#1^3 \ \&, 3]$$

$$t = 1. \ \&\ \gamma = 0.771707$$

We find that $\gamma^S=0.771707$ in this case.

Table 3 in Section A of Online Appendix

In this section, we consider the case of $\alpha=3$. x^{nb} and T^{nb} are calculated as follows:

Xnb[aR, bR, 3]

Simplify[Tnb[aR, bR, β , γ , 3]]

$$\sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}$$

$$\frac{1}{3 n_B} \left(\beta \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} + 2 \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} - 3 \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} + 3 aR (-1 + \beta) n_A \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} - \right.$$

$$\left. \beta (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2} + \gamma (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2} - 3 bR \beta n_B \left(\sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}} - \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} \right) \right)$$

The payoff function of region A's median resident aM , $U(x^{nb}, T^{nb}; aM)$, is calculated in the next line:

$u_A[X^{nb}[aR, bR, 3], aM, T^{nb}[aR, bR, \beta, \gamma, 3], 3]$

$$aM \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} - \frac{\gamma (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2}}{3 n_A} +$$

$$\frac{1}{3 n_A} \left(\beta \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} + 2 \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} - 3 \beta \gamma \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} + 3 aR (-1 + \beta) n_A \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} - \right.$$

$$\left. \beta (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2} + \gamma (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2} - 3 bR \beta n_B \left(\sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}} - \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} \right) \right)$$

The first derivative of $U(x^{nb}, T^{nb}; aM)$ with respect to aR is calculated in the next line:

$D[u_A[X^{nb}[aR, bR, 3], aM, T^{nb}[aR, bR, \beta, \gamma, 3], 3], aR]$

$$\frac{aM n_A}{2 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} +$$

$$\frac{1}{3 n_A} \left(3 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}} - \frac{9}{2} \beta n_A \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}} + \frac{3 \beta n_A \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}}}{2 \gamma} + \frac{3 aR (-1 + \beta) n_A^2}{2 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} + \right.$$

$$\left. 3 (-1 + \beta) n_A \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} - \frac{3}{2} \beta n_A \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} + \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{3}{2} \gamma n_A \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B} - 3 bR \beta n_B \left(\frac{n_A}{2 \gamma \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}}} - \frac{n_A}{2 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} \right) \right)$$

In the next line, the second derivative of $U(x^{nb}, T^{nb}; aM)$ with respect to aR is calculated and, then, it is evaluated at $aR=aM$ and $bR=bM$.

D[D[uA[Xnb[aR, bR, 3], aM, Tnb[aR, bR, β, γ, 3], 3], aR], aR]

Simplify[% /. aR → aM /. bR → bM]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{aM n_A^2}{4 (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2}} - \frac{\gamma n_A}{4 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} + \\
 & \frac{1}{3 n_A} \left(\frac{3 \beta n_A^2}{4 \gamma^2 \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}}} + \frac{3 n_A^2}{2 \gamma \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}}} - \frac{9 \beta n_A^2}{4 \gamma \sqrt{\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}}} - \frac{3 aR (-1 + \beta) n_A^3}{4 (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2}} + \frac{3 (-1 + \beta) n_A^2}{\sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} - \right. \\
 & \left. \frac{3 \beta n_A^2}{4 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} + \frac{3 \gamma n_A^2}{4 \sqrt{aR n_A + bR n_B}} - 3 bR \beta n_B \left(-\frac{n_A^2}{4 \gamma^2 \left(\frac{aR n_A}{\gamma}\right)^{3/2}} + \frac{n_A^2}{4 (aR n_A + bR n_B)^{3/2}} \right) \right) \\
 & \left(n_A \left(bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. aM n_A \left(2 (-2 + \beta) \gamma^2 \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + \beta \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + (2 - 3 \beta) \gamma \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) \right) \right) / \\
 & \left(4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging the second derivative of $U(x^{nb}, T^{nb}; aM)$ with respect to aR yields the formula in the next line:

Factor [

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(n_A \left(bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + aM n_A \left(2 (-2 + \beta) \gamma^2 \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + \beta \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + (2 - 3 \beta) \gamma \right. \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. \left. \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) \right) \right) / \left(4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right)] \\
 & \left(n_A \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) \right) / \left(4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

For each case of Cases (1)-(7) in Table 3, we calculate under which condition of γ the (local) second-order condition of region A's median resident is satisfied. In this calculation, we assume that $\beta=1/2$, $n_B=1$, and $bM=1/2$.

Case (1)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \right]$$

$$\beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& \ aM == 1.5 \ \&\& \ n_A == 1.0 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1.0, \ \gamma, \ \text{Reals}]$$

$$n_A == 1. \ \&\& \ n_B == 1. \ \&\& \ \beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ aM == 1.5 \ \&\& \ 0.458024 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.458024 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (2)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \ \&\&$$

$$\beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& \ aM == 1.75 \ \&\& \ n_A == 1.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1.0, \ \gamma, \ \text{Reals}]$$

$$n_A == 1.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1. \ \&\& \ \beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ aM == 1.75 \ \&\& \ 0.420769 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.420769 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (3)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \ \&\&$$

$$\beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& \ aM == 2. \ \&\& \ n_A == 2. \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1.0, \ \gamma, \ \text{Reals}]$$

$$n_A == 2. \ \&\& \ n_B == 1. \ \&\& \ \beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ aM == 2. \ \&\& \ 0.404444 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.404444 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (4)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \ \&\& \right. \\ \left. \beta = 0.5 \ \&\& 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& aM = 2.25 \ \&\& n_A = 2.5 \ \&\& bM = 0.5 \ \&\& n_B = 1.0, \ \gamma, \text{ Reals} \right]$$

$$n_A = 2.5 \ \&\& n_B = 1. \ \&\& \beta = 0.5 \ \&\& bM = 0.5 \ \&\& aM = 2.25 \ \&\& 0.395618 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.395618 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (5)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \ \&\& \right. \\ \left. \beta = 0.5 \ \&\& 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& aM = 2.5 \ \&\& n_A = 3. \ \&\& bM = 0.5 \ \&\& n_B = 1.0, \ \gamma, \text{ Reals} \right]$$

$$n_A = 3. \ \&\& n_B = 1. \ \&\& \beta = 0.5 \ \&\& bM = 0.5 \ \&\& aM = 2.5 \ \&\& 0.390245 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.390245 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (6)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left. \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \right]$$

$$\beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& \ aM == 2.75 \ \&\& \ n_A == 3.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1.0, \ \gamma, \ \text{Reals}]$$

$$n_A == 3.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1. \ \&\& \ \beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ aM == 2.75 \ \&\& \ 0.38671 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.38671 < \gamma \leq 1$.

Case (7)

$$\text{Reduce} \left[\frac{1}{4 \gamma^3 \left(\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B}} n_A \right. \\ \left(-4 aM \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + 2 aM \beta \gamma^2 n_A \sqrt{\frac{aM n_A}{\gamma}} + aM \beta n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + \right. \\ \left. \left. 2 aM \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} - 3 aM \beta \gamma n_A \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} + bM \beta \gamma n_B \sqrt{aM n_A + bM n_B} \right) < 0 \right]$$

$$\beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ 1 \geq \gamma > 0 \ \&\& \ aM == 3. \ \&\& \ n_A == 4. \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ n_B == 1.0, \ \gamma, \ \text{Reals}]$$

$$n_A == 4. \ \&\& \ n_B == 1. \ \&\& \ \beta == 0.5 \ \&\& \ bM == 0.5 \ \&\& \ aM == 3. \ \&\& \ 0.384251 < \gamma \leq 1.$$

Thus, the second-order condition for regino A's median resident holds if and only if $0.384251 < \gamma \leq 1$.