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I.

In input-output analysis the concept of total (direct and indirect) requirements is usually related to sectoral final outputs. For each particular final product Y_i total output requirements and total primary input requirements are measured respectively by:

$$X_Y^{(i)} = (I - A)^{-1} Y^{(i)} \quad (1a)$$

and

$$W_Y^{(i)} = A_w (I - A)^{-1} Y^{(i)} \quad (1b)$$

where

$X_Y^{(i)}$ = vector of sectoral gross outputs required directly and indirectly by $Y^{(i)}$;

$W_Y^{(i)}$ = vector of primary inputs required directly and indirectly by $Y^{(i)}$;

A = intermediate input coefficient matrix;

A_w = primary input coefficient matrix;

$Y^{(i)}$ = vector of elements equal to zero except the i -th one, which is equal to Y_i .

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The total requirements $X_Y^{(i)}$ and $W_Y^{(i)}$ appeared for the first time in the well-known empirical investigations of Leontief⁽¹⁾ and are also indicated as « sub-systems »⁽²⁾ or as « vertically integrated sectors »⁽³⁾. They permit us to split the economic system into ideal self-sufficient sectors which produce final commodities and all their necessary intermediate inputs. The i -th column of the Leontief inverse $(I - A)^{-1}$ contains the quantities of commodities that are directly and indirectly required to obtain one unit of the i -th final output⁽⁴⁾.

In this paper we present a measure of total requirements relative to *gross* outputs rather than *final* outputs. To our knowledge this concept has never been explicitly developed in input-output analysis although it can be related to the global effects on the economy stemming from the existence of certain domestic industries. In particular it may be interesting to compute total requirements of an industry even in the case where its production does not include any final commodities⁽⁵⁾.

II.

Let us divide the n industries of the input-output table into two groups: the group 1 consisting of the first l industries (where $1 < l < n$) and the group 2 consisting of the last $m = (n - l)$ industries. The input coefficient matrices can then be partitioned as follows:

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ \hline A_{21} & A_{22} \end{array} \right] \quad \text{and} \quad A_w = [A_{w1} | A_{w2}]$$

where

A_{ij} = intermediate input coefficient matrix relative to group j and to inputs supplied by group i ;

A_{wj} = primary input coefficient matrix relative to group j ;

⁽¹⁾ See, for example, Leontief (1941), (1953), (1956).

⁽²⁾ See Sraffa (1960, p. 89).

⁽³⁾ See, among others, Pasinetti (1973).

⁽⁴⁾ Parikh (1975) gives a survey of various alternative specifications of this concept.

⁽⁵⁾ In this case the computation of total requirements for final output is of course ruled out since in the traditional Leontief's formulae (1a) and (1b) $Y_i = 0$ and therefore $X_Y^{(i)} = 0$ and $W_Y^{(i)} = 0$.

and we have the following partitioned input-output system in reduced form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (I_l - A_{11}) & -A_{12} \\ -A_{21} & (I_m - A_{22}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2a)$$

and

$$W = [A_{w1} \mid A_{w2}] \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2b)$$

where

Y_i = vector of final outputs of group i ;

X_j = vector of total outputs of group j required by Y_1 and Y_2 ;

W = vector of primary inputs required by Y_1 and Y_2 .

Applying Frobenius-Schur's formulae for the inversion of partitioned matrices, the system (2a) can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} N & NT_1 \\ T_2 N & T + T_2 NT_1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3a)$$

or, in other terms,

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B + B_2 MB_1 & B_2 M \\ MB_1 & M \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3b)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B &= (I_l - A_{11})^{-1}; & T &= (I_m - A_{22})^{-1}; & B_1 &= A_{21}B; & B_2 &= BA_{12}; \\ T_1 &= A_{12}T; & T_2 &= TA_{21}; & N &= LB; & L &= (I_l - B_2T_2)^{-1}; \\ M &= KT; & K &= (I_m - T_2B_2)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} N \\ T_2 N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B + B_2 MB_1 \\ MB_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the traditional total output-requirement matrix for one unit of the first l final commodities, while the matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} NT_1 \\ \dots \\ T + T_2 NT_1 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} B_2 M \\ \dots \\ M \end{array} \right]$$

is the traditional total output-requirement matrix for one unit of the last $(n-l)$ final commodities. Moreover B and T are what Miyazawa (1966) called « internal matrix multipliers » relative only to internal propagation activities inside the 1st and the 2nd groups of industries respectively, while L and K are what Miyazawa (1966) called « external matrix multipliers » relative to external propagation activities between the 1st and the 2nd groups of industries. $T_2 NT_1 = (I_m - A_{22})^{-1} A_{21} N A_{12} (I_m - A_{22})^{-1}$ and $B_2 M B_1 = (I_l - A_{11})^{-1} A_{12} M A_{21} (I_l - A_{11})^{-1}$ are induced sub-matrix multipliers which measure the production of one group of industries required indirectly by the same group of industries through the inputs provided directly and indirectly by the other group of industries.

The solutions (3a) and (3b) are economically significant if and only if the Hawkins-Simon (H-S) conditions are satisfied, that is the vector $[X_1 \mid X_2]'$ is non-negative for any set of non-negative vectors $[Y_1 \mid Y_2]'$ (and the Leontief inverse $(I_n - A)^{-1}$ is a non-negative matrix) if and only if the upper left-hand principal minors of the matrix $(I_n - A)$ are positive. As often recognized, the meaning of these conditions is not immediate⁽⁶⁾. However the partitioned form of the input-output system permits a clear reading of their economic implications. Consider the first group as formed by only one industry ($l = 1$) and the second group as formed by the remaining $(n - 1)$ industries. Then we have

$$(I - A) = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 - a_{11} & -a'_{12} \\ \dots & \dots \\ -a_{21} & I_{n-1} - A_{22} \end{array} \right]$$

where the matrix symbols are self-explanatory and of proper order.

In (3a), from the definition of the inverse matrix,

$$N = \frac{|I_{n-1} - A_{22}|}{|I_n - A|}$$

⁽⁶⁾ On this subject Woods (1978), for example, claims: « conditions involving the signs of principal minors are notoriously difficult to explain » (p. 4).

It can be shown that (7)

$$N^{-1} = \frac{|I_n - A|}{|I_{n-1} - A_{22}|} = 1 - a_{11} - a'_{12}(I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1}a_{21}.$$

If the H-S conditions are satisfied,

$$|I_{n-1} - A_{22}| > 0$$

and

$$|I_n - A| > 0.$$

Therefore

$$1 > a_{11} + a'_{12}(I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1}a_{21}$$

which means that the unit of gross output of a commodity must use less than one unit of itself as direct (a_{11}) and indirect ($a'_{12}(I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1}a_{21}$) input (8). This guarantees, for every $X_1 > 0$, the positivity of net output given by $[1 - a_{11} - a'_{12}(I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1}a_{21}]X_1$. From (3a) it is evident that

$$[1 - a_{11} - a'_{12}(I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1}a_{21}]X_1 = F_1$$

where $F_1 = Y_1 + T_1 Y_2$. In other terms, the net output has to satisfy what can be defined as « total external demand » of the industry, i.e. the own final demand (Y_1) plus the demand of the other industries ($T_1 Y_2 = a'_{12} \cdot (I_{n-1} - A_{22})^{-1} Y_2$).

Returning to the general case in which $1 < l < n$ and $m = (n - l)$, in (3a) and (3b) total gross outputs are given by $X_1 = [N \mid NT_1][Y_1 \mid Y_2]'$ and $X_2 = [MB_1 \mid M][Y_1 \mid Y_2]'$. Therefore total gross outputs can be divided into two parts: the direct and indirect output requirements (NY_1 and MY_2) for the own final demand and the direct and indirect output

(7) See the matrix definitions given for (3a).

(8) The economic interpretation of the H-S conditions in production activities should in fact be referred, for each industry, to direct and indirect requirements of its own product per unit of gross output (not per unit of final or net output). (See, for example, Baumol, 1979 and Jeong, 1982 for a correct economic interpretation of the H-S conditions).

requirements (NT_1Y_2 and MB_1Y_1) for final demand of the other industries. Moreover, the total output of one group of industries induced directly and indirectly by the production activities of the other group is given by:

$$X_2^{(1)} = T_2 X_1 = [T_2 N \mid T_2 NT_1] \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \dots \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4a)$$

and

$$X_1^{(2)} = B_2 X_2 = [B_2 MB_1 \mid B_2 M] \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \dots \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4b)$$

where $T_2 = (I_n - A_{22})^{-1} A_{21}$ is the total requirement matrix for the output of the last $(n-l)$ industries relative to one unit of gross output of the first l industries, and $B_2 = (I_l - A_{11})^{-1} A_{12}$ is the total requirement matrix for the output of the first industries relative to one unit of gross output of the last $(n-l)$ industries.

Taking account of (4a) and (4b) total output requirements for gross production of one industry or of one group of industries can be computed simply by eliminating the internal matrix multipliers of the other group of industries from the Leontief inverse⁽⁹⁾:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} N & NT_1 \\ T_2 N & T + T_2 NT_1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T \end{bmatrix} \right\} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5a)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1^{(2)} \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} B + B_2 MB_1 & B_2 M \\ MB_1 & M \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5b)$$

where $\begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ X_j^{(i)} \end{bmatrix}$ = vector of total output requirements for gross output of industry i .

Total intermediate input requirements for gross outputs X_1 and X_2 are, therefore, obtained by subtracting the net output from the total

⁽⁹⁾ This method corresponds to the hypothetical extraction method set up by Strassert (1968) and Schultz (1976), (1977) for the identification of linkages of key sectors in the economy. They removed the column and the row relative to a particular industry from the Leontief matrix and subtracted the corresponding reduced inverse matrix from the original one.

output requirements:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1^{(1)} \\ X_2^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 + T_1 Y_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (6a)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1^{(2)} \\ X_2^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1^{(2)} \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ B_1 Y_1 + Y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (6b)$$

where $(Y_1 + T_1 Y_2)$ and $(B_1 Y_1 + Y_2)$ are equal to the net outputs of the first and the second group of industries respectively, and $X_1^{(1)}$ and $X_2^{(2)}$ are the direct and indirect requirements of the first and the second group of industries for their own products.

Total primary factor requirements of gross outputs are computed by premultiplying (5a) and (5b) by the matrices of primary input coefficients A_{w1} and A_{w2} :

$$W^{(1)} = [A_{w1} \mid A_{w2}] \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (7a)$$

$$W^{(2)} = [A_{w1} \mid A_{w2}] \begin{bmatrix} X_1^{(2)} \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (7b)$$

which can be subdivided into direct factor requirements ($A_{w1}X_1$ and $A_{w2}X_2$) and indirect factor requirements ($W^{(1)} - A_{w1}X_1 = A_{w2}X_2^{(1)}$ and $W^{(2)} - A_{w2}X_2 = A_{w1}X_1^{(2)}$).

While in (1a)-(1b) $\sum_i X_Y^{(i)} = X$ and $\sum_i W_Y^{(i)} = W$, the sum of total output and primary input requirements for gross output, which are given by (5a)-(5b) and (7a)-(7b), leads to a double counting procedure because some direct requirements of one industry are indirect requirements of other industries which use part of the output of that industry as an intermediate input. Nevertheless the concept of total requirements for gross output may be helpful in the analysis of the influence of one single industry or one group of industries on the rest of the economy.

III.

The method described above has been applied to the Italian input-output table for 1975 in order to estimate total employment requirements

TABLE 1 - DIRECT AND INDIRECT EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS OF INDUSTRIAL BRANCHES OF THE ITALIAN ECONOMY, YEAR 1975 (EMPKEPS)

BRANCHES	NACE -CLASSIF. CODE	TOTAL	TOTAL	(A)	DIRECT	(C)	INDIRECT	(E)
		EMPLOYM. REQUIREM. OF FINAL OUTPUT (A)	EMPLOYM. REQUIREM. OF GROSS OUTPUT (B+C+D)	OF GROSS OUTPUT (A)	EMPLOYM. REQUIREM. OF GROSS OUTPUT (C)	OF GROSS OUTPUT (E)	OF GROSS OUTPUT (E)	
1 AGRICULTURAL, FORESTRY AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	(01)	1574840	3269443	40.2	3047000	91.7	222443	6.8
2 COAL, LIGNITE (BROWN COAL) AND BRIOUETTES	(03)	0	1132	0.0	562	70.9	330	29.1
3 PRODUCTS OF COALING	(05)	2793	12628	22.1	2975	15.6	10530	81.4
4 CRUDE PETROLEUM, NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	(07)	35995	72523	49.6	27451	37.9	45213	62.1
5 ELECTRIC POWER, GAS, STEAM AND WATER	(09)	33962	216976	15.7	145520	54.9	67456	31.1
6 PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS & ORES (11)	(11)	0	0	---	0	---	0	---
7 FERROUS AND NON-FERROUS ORES AND METALS	(13)	26670	446679	19.7	234111	56.6	210568	43.4
8 NON-METAL MINERAL PRODUCTS	(15)	126422	557598	22.7	433577	74.2	143721	25.8
9 CHEMICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS	(17)	319261	622983	52.9	327555	51.1	295328	44.9
10 METAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	(19)	280576	653770	43.4	472254	64.6	221516	35.4
11 AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY	(21)	659670	757602	88.4	492916	51.2	394456	46.8
12 OFFICE AND DATA PROCESSING MACHINES, PRECISION INSTRUM.	(23)	112176	140225	79.9	64735	63.2	51510	36.4
13 ELECTRICAL GOODS	(25)	446419	604257	73.9	364449	65.4	205508	31.6
14 MOTOR VEHICLES	(27)	425059	497414	87.2	242529	49.8	244785	50.2
15 OTHER TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	(29)	177902	220687	80.6	131025	59.4	89652	40.6
16 MEAT, MEAT PREPARATIONS AND PRESERVES	(31)	59181	641665	84.4	46758	10.1	59492	89.9
17 MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS	(33)	298724	350393	85.3	45055	12.9	305338	87.1
18 OTHER FOOD PRODUCTS	(35)	875632	1130283	77.5	279402	24.7	850781	75.3
19 BEVERAGES	(37)	60226	130794	61.3	49596	37.9	81176	62.1
20 TEXTILE PRODUCTS	(39)	35919	35941	99.9	13371	37.2	22570	62.8
21 TEXTILES AND CLOTHING	(41)	1295809	1404605	92.3	1185710	66.4	218899	15.4
22 LEATHERS, LEATHER AND SKIN GOODS, FOOT-WEAR	(43)	317299	337878	53.9	244724	72.4	93155	27.6
23 TIMBER, WOODEN PRODUCTS AND FURNITURE	(45)	402900	614154	65.6	495526	60.7	118628	19.3
24 PAPER AND PRINTING PRODUCTS	(47)	127365	370447	33.7	260435	48.8	118112	31.2
25 RUBBER AND PLASTICS	(49)	125990	340870	37.0	214308	67.0	126561	37.0
26 OTHER MANUFACTURES	(51)	119997	125770	95.4	42320	65.5	43450	34.5
27 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION	(53)	2229741	2565129	86.9	1749144	69.2	815445	31.8
28 RECOVERY AND REPAIR SERVICES	(55)	283659	670741	41.8	506533	74.6	122208	25.4
29 WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	(57)	2318635	2842722	81.6	2398957	64.0	453765	16.0
30 LOGGING AND CATERING SERVICES	(59)	954574	1068625	89.5	505808	54.8	462817	45.2
31 INLAND TRANSPORT	(61)	445011	856683	52.2	702994	82.2	152689	17.8
32 SHIPPING AND AIR TRANSPORT	(63)	110145	122100	50.2	64125	52.5	56035	47.5
33 AUXILIARY TRANSPORT SERVICES	(65)	49438	207395	23.8	140370	67.7	67025	32.3
34 COMMUNICATIONS	(67)	101426	282345	35.9	226775	69.1	56672	19.9
35 SERVICES OF CREDIT AND INSURANCE INSTITUTIONS	(69)	25721	401075	6.4	265348	68.2	135727	33.8
36 BUSINESS SERVICES PROVIDED TO ENTERPRISES	(71)	119942	512865	23.4	432216	84.9	37449	15.1
37 SERVICES OF RENTING OF IMMovable GOODS	(73)	187154	232887	80.4	0	0.0	232887	100.0
38 MARKET SERVICES OF EDUCATION AND RESEARCH	(75)	80602	138915	58.5	126760	91.8	11255	8.2
39 MARKET SERVICES OF HEALTH	(77)	167692	198832	84.3	169513	85.3	29319	14.7
40 RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL AND OTHER MARKET SERVICES	(79)	463091	546838	84.7	464470	86.9	82368	15.1
41 GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICES	(81)	1046668	1851796	59.8	1503824	81.2	347972	18.8
42 NON-MARKET SERVICES OF EDUCATION AND RESEARCH	(83)	815837	822795	99.2	759676	92.3	63119	7.7
43 NON-MARKET SERVICES OF HEALTH	(85)	547543	549367	99.7	392500	71.4	156867	28.6
44 DOMESTIC SERVICES AND OTHER NON-MARKET SERVICES N.E.C.	(93)	535142	535142	100.0	506400	94.6	28742	5.4
TOTAL	(99)	19825764	(00)	--	19825764	--	(00)	--

(01) GENERAL INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - INPUT-OUTPUT CLASSIFICATION

(00) THIS TOTAL IS NOT GIVEN BECAUSE IT CONTAINS DOUBLE-COUNTED ELEMENTS

of final and gross outputs of each industry⁽¹⁰⁾. The computations were made for one industry at a time by applying (1b) and (7b) in which $l = 1$ and $m = (n - 1)$. The results are shown in the first and second columns of Table 1 where the two concepts of total labor requirements can be empirically compared. For further information, the fourth and sixth columns of Table 1 contain the breakdown of total labor requirements of gross outputs into direct and indirect labor requirements. As might be expected, the higher differences between the total labor requirements of gross and final outputs are found in basic industries which sell most of their outputs as intermediate inputs to other industries, while small differences are found in industries which mainly produce for final demand. The first group of industries include « Products of coking », « Electric power, gas, steam and water », « Ferrous and non-ferrous ores and metals », « Non-metallic mineral products », where total labor requirements of final output is less than 30 per cent of those of gross output. The second group of industries include « Motor vehicles », « Meat, meat preparations and preserves », « Other food products », « Textiles and clothing », « Leather and skin products, footwear » with labor requirements of final output very close to those of gross output. In conclusion, these empirical findings confirm that the direct and indirect effects on production and on factor employment originating from the existence of particular domestic industries cannot be exhaustively estimated by applying the traditional concept of total requirements for final output. They imply that many studies on interindustry relations, such as those on the interdependence between service and goods-producing sectors, might conveniently be carried out using the concept of direct and indirect requirements for gross output.

⁽¹⁰⁾ This table and the sectoral employment data have been published by Italy's Central Statistical Office (see ISTAT, 1981).

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