

Multiperiod Competitive Supply Chain Networks with Inventorying and A Transportation Network Equilibrium Reformulation

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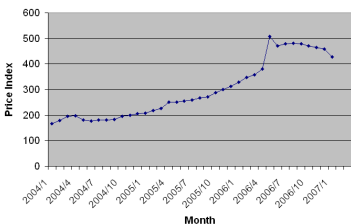
Dynamic Supply Chains

- A supply chain is a network of manufacturers, storage facility managers, transporters and retailers that perform the functions of production, storage, transportation, and sale of a particular product (cf. Nagurney (2006b), Ganeshan and Harrison (1995), Lee and Billington (1995), and Swaminathan, Sadeh, and Smith (1995))
- The fundamental function of a supply chain is to match supply with demand at the lowest cost (cf. Cachon and Terwiesch (2005))
- Highly dynamic and competitive business environments
 - Fluctuating costs and demands

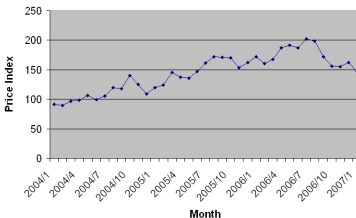
Varying Costs

- In the past three years, iron and steel prices increased by 47%
- The price of industrial chemicals increased by 51%
- Prices of natural gas and crude petroleum increased by 68%, and 112%, respectively
- Truck freight transportation cost increased by 6% annually
- Water freight transportation cost increased by only 2% annually (source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (2007))

Monthly Copper Price Index



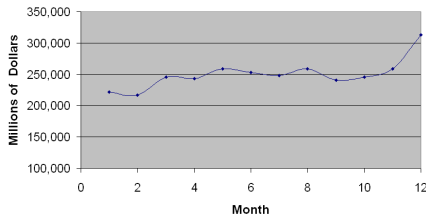
Monthly Crude Oil Price Index



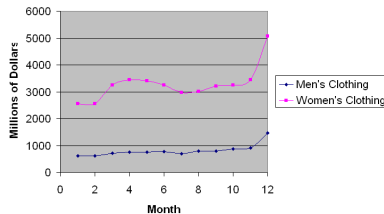
Fluctuating Demands

- Seasonal fluctuations
 - E.g. The US automobile market: sales in summer 25 – 35% higher than that in winter
 - E.g. Many products such as TV, sporting goods and electronics soar by more than 100% during the holiday season (sources: U.S. Census Bureau (2007))

2006 Total Retail Sales in US



2006 Clothing Sales in US



Some of the Related Literature

- Decentralized decision-making and competition
 - Lederer and Li (1997), Cachon and Zipkin (1999), Cachon and Netessine (2003), Geunes and Pardalos (2003), etc.
- Dynamic production, inventory, and pricing models
 - Hafsi and Bai (1998), Federgruen and Tzur (1991), Stadtler (2000), Goyal and Giri (2001), Teng et al. (2002), Perakis and Sood (2003, 2006), and Bernstein and Federgruen (2003), etc.
- Multiperiod spatial pricing models
 - Nagurney and Aronson (1988, 1989)

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Multiperiod Supply Chain Networks with Inventorying

- Focuses on the supply chain planning process
- Captures the changing costs and demands
- Provides a flexible platform so that perishable products and transportation delays can be easily incorporated
- The transportation network reformulation provides novel theoretical insights and efficient computational methods for the multiperiod supply chain network equilibrium model

Manufacturer's Maximization Problem

$$\text{Max} \quad \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_{1ijt}^* q_{ijt} - \sum_{t=1}^T f_{it}(q_t) - \sum_{t=1}^T cv_{it}(u_{it}) - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ijt}(q_{ijt})$$

subject to

$$\sum_{j=1}^n q_{ij1} + u_{i1} = q_{i1},$$

$$u_{it} + \sum_{j=1}^n q_{ijt} = q_{it} + u_{i(t-1)}, \quad t = 2, \dots, T-1,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n q_{ijT} = q_{iT} + u_{i(T-1)},$$

$$q_{ijt} \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n; \quad t = 1, \dots, T,$$

$$q_{it} \geq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, T,$$

$$u_{it} \geq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, T-1$$

- We assume that the cost functions of the manufacturers are convex and continuously differentiable and that the manufacturers compete with one another in a noncooperative manner

The Optimal Conditions for All Manufacturers

Determine: $(q^*, u^{1*}, Q^{1*}) \in \mathcal{K}^1$ satisfying:

$$\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f_{it}(q_t^*)}{\partial q_{it}} \times [q_{it} - q_{it}^*] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\frac{\partial c_{ijt}(q_{ijt}^*)}{\partial q_{ijt}} - \rho_{1ijt}^* \right] \times [q_{ijt} - q_{ijt}^*] \\
 + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial cv_{it}(u_{it}^*)}{\partial u_{it}} \times [u_{it} - u_{it}^*] \geq 0, \quad \forall (q, u^1, Q^1) \in \mathcal{K}^1,$$

where $\mathcal{K}^1 \equiv \{(q, u^1, Q^1) | (q, u^1, Q^1) \in R_+^{Tm(2+n)} \text{ and the conservation of flow equations hold}\}$

Retailer's Maximization Problem

$$\text{Max} \quad \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^o \rho_{2jt}^* q_{jkt} - \sum_{t=1}^T c_{jt}(h_t) - \sum_{t=1}^T cv_{jt}(u_{jt}) - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_{1ijt}^* q_{ijt}$$

subject to

$$h_{jt} = \sum_{i=1}^m q_{ijt}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T,$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^o q_{jk1} + u_{j1} = \sum_{i=1}^m q_{ij1},$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^o q_{jkt} + u_{jt} = \sum_{i=1}^m q_{ijt} + u_{j(t-1)}, \quad t = 2, \dots, T-1,$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^o q_{jkT} = \sum_{i=1}^m q_{ijT} + u_{j(T-1)},$$

$$q_{ijt} \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m; t = 1, \dots, T,$$

$$q_{jkt} \geq 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, m; t = 1, \dots, T,$$

$$u_{jt} \geq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, T$$

- We assume that the cost functions of the retailers are convex and continuously differentiable and that the retailers compete with one another in a noncooperative manner

The Optimal Conditions for All Retailers

determine $(Q^{1*}, h^*, u^{2*}, Q^{2*}) \in \mathcal{K}^2$ satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial c_{jt}(h_t^*)}{\partial h_{jt}} \times [h_{jt} - h_{jt}^*] \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_{1ijt}^* \times [q_{ijt} - q_{ijt}^*] - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^o \rho_{2jkt}^* \times [q_{jkt} - q_{jkt}^*] \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial cv_{jt}(u_{jt}^*)}{\partial u_{jt}} \times [u_{jt} - u_{jt}^*] \geq 0, \quad \forall (Q^1, h, u^2, Q^2) \in \mathcal{K}^2, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{K}^2 \equiv \{(Q^1, h, u^2, Q^2) | (Q^1, h, u^2, Q^2) \in R_+^{Tn(m+o+2)} \text{ and the conservation of flow equations hold}\}$

The Equilibrium Conditions for Consumers at the Demand Markets

The equilibrium conditions for consumers at demand market k , take the form:
 for all retailers j ; $j = 1, \dots, n$ and time periods t ; $t = 1, \dots, T$:

$$\rho_{2jt}^* + \hat{c}_{jkt}(Q_t^{2*}) \begin{cases} = \rho_{3kt}^*, & \text{if } q_{jkt}^* > 0, \\ \geq \rho_{3kt}^*, & \text{if } q_{jkt}^* = 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$d_{kt}(\rho_{3t}^*) \begin{cases} = \sum_{j=1}^n q_{jkt}^*, & \text{if } \rho_{3kt}^* > 0, \\ \leq \sum_{j=1}^n q_{jkt}^*, & \text{if } \rho_{3kt}^* = 0 \end{cases}$$

Equilibrium Conditions of the Multiperiod Supply Chain Network

Definition: Multiperiod Supply Chain Network Equilibrium

The equilibrium state of the multiperiod supply chain network is one where the flows of the product between the tiers of the decision-makers coincide and the flows and prices satisfy the sum of the optimality conditions and equilibrium conditions so that no decision-maker has any incentive to alter his transactions.

Theorem: Variational Inequality Formulation of the Multiperiod Supply Chain Network Equilibrium

Determine: $(q^*, h^*, u^{1*}, Q^{1*}, u^{2*}, Q^{2*}, d^*, \rho_3^*) \in \mathcal{K}^3$ satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f_{it}(q_t^*)}{\partial q_{it}} \times [q_{it} - q_{it}^*] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial c_{ijt}(q_{ijt}^*)}{\partial q_{ijt}} \times [q_{ijt} - q_{ijt}^*] \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial c_{jt}(h_t^*)}{\partial h_{jt}} \times [h_{jt} - h_{jt}^*] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial cv_{it}(u_{it}^*)}{\partial u_{it}} \times [u_{it} - u_{it}^*] \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial cv_{jt}(u_{jt}^*)}{\partial u_{jt}} \times [u_{jt} - u_{jt}^*] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^o \hat{c}_{jkt}(Q_t^{2*}) \times [q_{jkt} - q_{jkt}^*] \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^o \rho_{3kt}^* \times [d_{kt} - d_{kt}^*] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^o [d_{kt}^* - d_{kt}(\rho_{3t}^*)] \times [\rho_{3kt} - \rho_{3kt}^*] \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall (q, h, u^1, Q^1, u^2, Q^2, d, \rho_3) \in \mathcal{K}^3,$$

where $\mathcal{K}^3 \equiv \{(q, h, u^1, Q^1, u^2, Q^2, d, \rho_3) | (q, h, u^1, Q^1, u^2, Q^2, d, \rho_3) \in R_+^{T(2m+mn+2n+no+2o)}$ and the conservation of flow equations hold}

Transportation Network Equilibrium Model with Known Demand Functions (Dafermos and Nagurney (1984))

- Define the set of origin/destination (O/D) pairs W with Z elements; the set of paths P with Q elements; the set of links L with K elements
- The conservation of flow equations must hold:

$$d_w = \sum_{p \in P_w} x_p, \quad \forall w \in W$$

$$f_a = \sum_{p \in P} x_p \delta_{ap}, \quad \forall a \in L$$

- The user cost on a path is equal to the sum of user costs on links the path consists of

$$C_p = \sum_{a \in L} c_a \delta_{ap}, \quad \forall p \in P$$

Transportation Network Equilibrium Model with Known Demand Functions

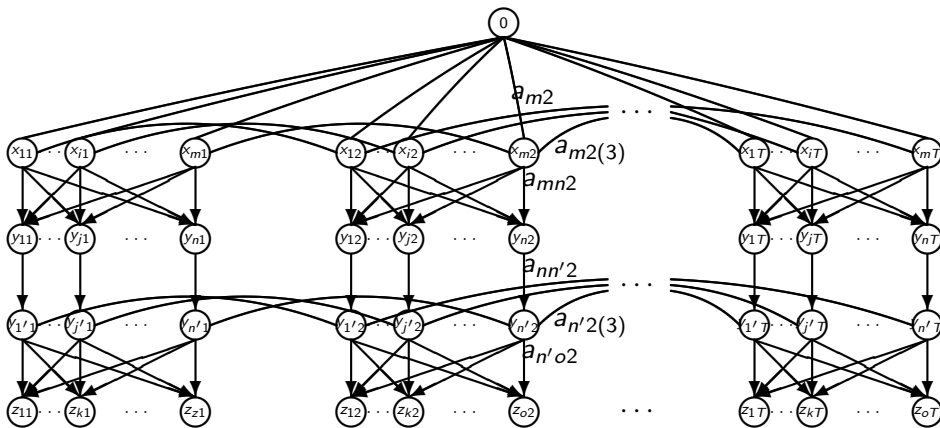
Theorem

A travel link flow pattern and associated travel demand and disutility pattern is a transportation network equilibrium if and only if it satisfies the variational inequality problem: determine $(f^, d^*, \lambda^*) \in \mathcal{K}^4$ satisfying*

$$\sum_{a \in L} c_a(f^*) \times (f_a - f_a^*) - \sum_{w \in W} \lambda_w^* \times (d_w - d_w^*) + \sum_{w \in W} [d_w^* - d_w(\lambda^*)] \times [\lambda_w - \lambda_w^*] \geq 0, \quad \forall (f, d, \lambda) \in \mathcal{K}^4,$$

where $\mathcal{K}^4 \equiv \{(f, d, \lambda) \in R_+^{K+2Z} \mid$
there exists an x satisfying the conservation of flow equations $\}$

The \mathcal{G}_S Supernetwork Representation of the Multiperiod Supply Chain Network



Transportation Network Equilibrium Reformulation of the Multiperiod Supply Chain Network

- New interpretation of the supply chain network equilibrium in terms of paths and path flows
- Competition among end-to-end supply chains
- Efficient computational method

The Euler Method

Let \mathcal{T} denote an iteration counter

Step 0: Initialization

Set $X^0 \in \mathcal{K}$

Let $\mathcal{T} = 1$ and set the sequence $\{\alpha_{\mathcal{T}}\}$ so that $\sum_{\mathcal{T}=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{\mathcal{T}} = \infty$, $\alpha_{\mathcal{T}} > 0$ for all \mathcal{T} , and $\alpha_{\mathcal{T}} \rightarrow 0$ as $\mathcal{T} \rightarrow \infty$

Step 1: Computation

Compute $X^{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathcal{K}$ by solving the variational inequality subproblem:

$$\langle X^{\mathcal{T}} + \alpha_{\mathcal{T}} F(X^{\mathcal{T}-1}) - X^{\mathcal{T}-1}, X - X^{\mathcal{T}} \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{K}$$

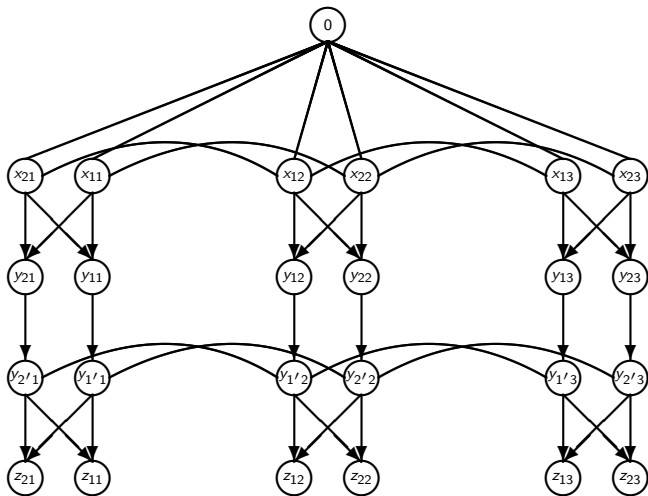
Step 2: Convergence Verification

If $|X^{\mathcal{T}} - X^{\mathcal{T}-1}| \leq \epsilon$, with $\epsilon > 0$, a pre-specified tolerance, then stop; otherwise, set $\mathcal{T} := \mathcal{T} + 1$, and go to Step 1

Numerical Examples 1 and 2

- Example 1 has 2 manufacturers, 2 retailers, 2 demand markets and 3 periods
- Example 2 has the same data as Example 1 except that the product in Example 2 is perishable ($L = 2$)

Supernetwork Structure of the Transportation Network Equilibrium Reformulation of Examples 1 and 2



Cost Functions of Examples 1 and 2

- The production cost functions:

$$f_{1t}(q_{1t}) = 0.1q_{1t}^2 + 5q_{1t} + 20, \quad f_{2t}(q_{2t}) = 0.15q_{2t}^2 + 4q_{2t} + 10, \quad t = 1, 2, 3$$

- The transaction/transportation cost functions:

$$\begin{aligned} c_{11t}(q_{11t}) &= 0.005q_{11t}^2 + q_{11t}, & c_{12t}(q_{12t}) &= 0.005q_{12t}^2 + q_{12t}, \\ c_{21t}(q_{21t}) &= 0.005q_{21t}^2 + q_{21t}, & c_{22t}(q_{22t}) &= 0.005q_{22t}^2 + q_{22t}, \end{aligned} \quad t = 1, 2, 3$$

- The handling costs of the retailers:

$$c_{1t}(h_{1t}) = 0.05h_{1t}^2 + 1.5h_{1t} + 20, \quad c_{2t}(h_{2t}) = 0.1h_{2t}^2 + h_{2t} + 30, \quad t = 1, 2, 3$$

Cost Functions of Examples 1 and 2 (Cont')

- The inventory cost functions of the manufacturers:

$$cv_{1t}(u_{1t}) = 0.025u_{1t}^2 + 0.5u_{1t} + 10, \quad cv_{2t}(u_{2t}) = 0.025u_{2t}^2 + 0.5u_{2t} + 20, \quad t = 1, 2$$

- The inventory costs functions of the retailers:

$$cv_{1t}(u_{1t}) = 0.025u_{1t}^2 + 0.5u_{1t}, \quad cv_{2t}(u_{2t}) = 0.025u_{2t}^2 + 0.5u_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2$$

- The demand functions:

$$d_{11}(\rho_{311}) = 15 - \frac{1}{2}\rho_{311}, \quad d_{12}(\rho_{312}) = 20 - \frac{1}{3}\rho_{312}, \quad d_{13}(\rho_{313}) = 80 - \frac{1}{10}\rho_{313},$$
$$d_{21}(\rho_{321}) = 10 - \frac{1}{2}\rho_{321}, \quad d_{22}(\rho_{322}) = 15 - \frac{1}{3}\rho_{322}, \quad d_{23}(\rho_{323}) = 90 - \frac{1}{10}\rho_{323}$$

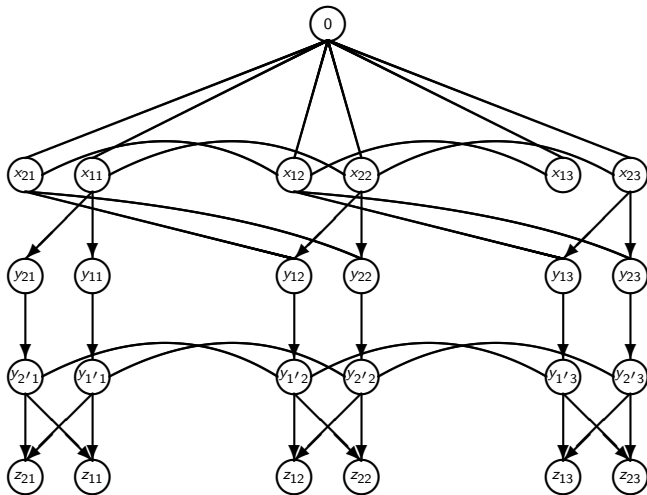
Equilibrium Solutions of Examples 1 and 2

Variable	Example 1			Example 2		
	t = 1	t = 2	t = 3	t = 1	t = 2	t = 3
$f_{a1t}^* = q_{1t}^*$	32.6997	36.3997	40.5709	18.5877	45.5601	49.1646
$f_{a2t}^* = q_{2t}^*$	25.2589	27.7443	30.5455	15.7721	33.9027	36.3221
$f_{a11t}^* = q_{11t}^*$	16.6645	21.3144	29.6492	11.2588	24.2616	33.5997
$f_{a12t}^* = q_{12t}^*$	11.2351	13.2002	17.6067	7.3289	16.8807	19.9826
$f_{a21t}^* = q_{21t}^*$	12.8955	16.9915	24.6881	9.8501	18.3844	27.2268
$f_{a22t}^* = q_{22t}^*$	7.4509	8.8588	12.6637	5.9219	11.0021	13.6114
$f_{a11't}^* = h_{1t}^*$	29.5601	38.3060	54.3373	21.1089	42.6460	60.8265
$f_{a22't}^* = h_{2t}^*$	18.6860	22.0591	30.2705	13.2509	27.8829	33.5940
$f_{a1'1t}^* = q_{11t}^*$	5.4186	12.8893	38.7451	6.4787	5.2527	46.0004
$f_{a1'2t}^* = q_{12t}^*$	0.9186	8.2277	56.0039	2.4797	6.8976	57.4722
$f_{a2'1t}^* = q_{21t}^*$	0.0000	0.1694	38.9204	0.8006	9.2310	31.4244
$f_{a2'2t}^* = q_{22t}^*$	0.0000	0.1643	31.7615	0.2996	2.9194	30.0525
$f_{a1t(t+1)}^* = u_{1t}^*$	4.8001	6.6850	0.0000	0.0000	4.4177	0.0000
$f_{a2t(t+1)}^* = u_{2t}^*$	4.9124	6.8063	0.0000	0.0000	4.5162	0.0000
$f_{a1't(t+1)}^* = u_{1t}^*$	23.2227	40.4117	0.0000	12.1504	42.6460	0.0000
$f_{a2't(t+1)}^* = u_{2t}^*$	18.6860	40.4114	0.0000	12.1505	27.8829	0.0000
$d_{w1t}^* = d_{1t}^*$	5.4186	13.0587	77.6655	7.2794	14.4838	77.4248
$d_{w2t}^* = d_{2t}^*$	0.9186	8.3920	87.7655	2.7794	9.8171	87.5248
$\lambda_{w1t}^* = \rho_{31t}^*$	19.1626	20.8237	23.3443	15.4410	16.5485	25.7515
$\lambda_{w2t}^* = \rho_{32t}^*$	18.1626	19.8237	22.3443	14.4410	15.5485	24.7515

Numerical Examples 3 and 4

- Examples 3 and 4 have inseparable cost functions
- Example 3 has the same network structure as Examples 1 and 2
- In Example 4, manufacturer 1 has one-period transportation delay

Supernetwork Structure of the Transportation Network Equilibrium Reformulation of Example 4



Cost Functions of Examples 3 and 4

- The production cost functions:

$$f_{1t}(q_{1t}, q_{2t}) = 5 + q_{1t} + 0.4q_{1t}^2 + 0.2q_{1t}q_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2, 3,$$

$$f_{2t}(q_{1t}, q_{2t}) = 10 + 2q_{2t} + 1.5q_{2t}^2 + 0.4q_{1t}q_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2, 3$$

- The transaction/transportation cost functions:

$$c_{11t}(q_{11t}) = 3q_{11t} + 0.1q_{11t}^2, \quad c_{12t}(q_{12t}) = 3q_{12t} + 0.1q_{12t}^2,$$

$$c_{21t}(q_{21t}) = q_{21t} + 0.1q_{21t}^2, \quad c_{22t}(q_{22t}) = q_{22t} + 0.1q_{22t}^2, \quad t = 1, 2, 3$$

- The handling costs of the retailers:

$$c_{1t}(h_{1t}, h_{2t}) = 0.1h_{1t}^2 + 0.1h_{1t}h_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2, 3, \quad c_{2t}(h_{1t}, h_{2t}) = 0.1h_{2t}^2 + 0.1h_{1t}h_{2t},$$

Cost Functions of Examples 3 and 4 (Cont')

- The inventory cost functions of the manufacturers:

$$cv_{1t}(u_{1t}) = 0.2u_{1t}^2 + u_{1t}, \quad t = 1, 2, \quad cv_{2t}(u_{2t}) = 0.5u_{2t}^2 + 2u_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2$$

- The inventory costs functions of the retailers:

$$cv_{1t}(u_{1t}) = 0.05u_{1t}^2 + u_{1t}, \quad t = 1, 2, \quad cv_{2t}(u_{2t}) = 0.02u_{2t}^2 + u_{2t}, \quad t = 1, 2.$$

- The demand functions:

$$d_{11}(\rho_{311}) = 70 - \rho_{311}, \quad d_{12}(\rho_{312}) = 80 - \rho_{312}, \quad d_{13}(\rho_{313}) = 90 - \rho_{313}, \\ d_{21}(\rho_{321}) = 55 - 0.2\rho_{321}, \quad d_{22}(\rho_{322}) = 55 - 0.2\rho_{322}, \quad d_{23}(\rho_{323}) = 60 - 0.2\rho_{323}$$

Equilibrium Solutions of Examples 3 and 4

	Example 3			Example 4		
Variable	$t = 1$	$t = 2$	$t = 3$	$t = 1$	$t = 2$	$t = 3$
$f_{a_1t}^* = q_{1t}^*$	50.8291	51.9564	53.1257	49.4331	53.4121	0.0000
$f_{a_2t}^* = q_{2t}^*$	9.1084	9.3028	9.5044	30.4517	9.7468	16.4581
$f_{a_{11}t}^* = q_{11t}^*$	25.4145	25.9782	26.5628	24.7165	26.7060	0.0000
$f_{a_{12}t}^* = q_{12t}^*$	25.4145	25.9782	26.5628	24.7165	26.7060	0.0000
$f_{a_{21}t}^* = q_{21t}^*$	4.5542	4.6514	4.7522	15.2258	4.8734	8.2290
$f_{a_{22}t}^* = q_{22t}^*$	4.5542	4.6514	4.7522	15.2258	4.8734	8.2290
$f_{a_{11}'t}^* = h_{1t}^*$	29.9688	30.6296	31.3150	15.2258	29.5900	34.9351
$f_{a_{22}'t}^* = h_{2t}^*$	29.9688	30.6296	31.3150	15.2258	29.5900	34.9351
$f_{a_1't}^* = q_{11t}^*$	2.3862	6.3799	14.7593	0.0000	7.6204	12.3561
$f_{a_1'2t}^* = q_{12t}^*$	21.2911	23.0842	24.0125	15.2258	20.8777	23.6708
$f_{a_2'1t}^* = q_{21t}^*$	6.0551	10.8097	11.1321	0.0000	7.9223	12.1430
$f_{a_2'2t}^* = q_{22t}^*$	21.3970	19.3536	23.1657	15.2258	21.2307	23.2289
$f_{a_1t(t+1)}^* = u_{1t}^*$	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
$f_{a_2t(t+1)}^* = u_{2t}^*$	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
$f_{a_1't(t+1)}^* = u_{1t}^*$	6.2914	7.4568	0.0000	0.0000	1.0917	0.0000
$f_{a_2't(t+1)}^* = u_{2t}^*$	2.5165	2.9827	0.0000	0.0000	0.4368	0.0000
$d_{w_1t}^* = d_{1t}^*$	8.4413	17.1897	25.8914	0.0000	15.5428	24.4991
$d_{w_2t}^* = d_{2t}^*$	42.6882	42.4379	46.3314	30.4517	42.1085	46.8998
$\lambda_{w_1t}^* = \rho_{31t}^*$	61.5586	62.8102	64.1085	70.0000	64.4571	65.5008
$\lambda_{w_2t}^* = \rho_{32t}^*$	61.5586	62.8102	64.1085	122.7413	64.4571	65.5008

Conclusions

- Developed the multiperiod competitive supply chain network model with varying costs and demands
- Established the supernetwork equivalence between transportation networks and multiperiod competitive supply chain networks
- The model provides a flexible platform so that perishable products and transportation delays can be easily incorporated
- The transportation network reformulation provides novel theoretical insights and efficient computational methods for the multiperiod supply chain network equilibrium model

Thank You!

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