

## EXPERIENCE OF THE INPUT-OUTPUT MODELS APPLICATION TO THE MOLDOVAN ECONOMY

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The main goal of this article is to present an overview of the input-output models which have been applied to Moldovan economy development study. We examined: static input-output model, dynamic input-output model restricted by limited energy resources, and the Markov chain approach based on the input-output tables. All these models have been examined using statistic data referring to the input-output table, constructed on the base of 19 and 16 aggregated branches of the national economy. Static and dynamic optimization models were formulated, simulation calculation was done and analysed. Input-output table balancing problem was solved using RAS method. For dynamic model matrix of the investment coefficients was constructed. The emphasis was put on the problem of applying the theory of Markov chain for examination of the 19 and 16 branches in the framework of the input-output model for Republic of Moldova. A square exchange matrix of order  $n \times n$  has been constructed. Every branch was considered as one state of the Markov chain with  $n$  states. We introduced a new  $(n + 1)$ -th absorption state so that the examined matrix became of the order  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$ . The obtained transition matrix – probabilities matrix has been used for forecasting.

**Keywords:** input-output models, static optimization model, dynamic optimization model, Markov chain, exchange matrix, investment matrix, transition matrix, forecasting.

Obiectivul principal al acestui articol constă în prezentarea unei sinteze asupra modelelor interramurale utilizate în studierea dezvoltării economice a Moldovei. Au fost examinate modelul de optimizare static și modelul de optimizare dinamic restricționat de resurse energetice limitate, la fel și abordarea stocastică bazată pe lanțurile Markov, obținute în baza tabelor intrări-ieșiri. Modelele menționate au fost dotate cu date statistice în vederea construirii tabelor intrări-ieșiri, având la bază 19 și 16 ramuri agregate ale economiei naționale. Modelul static și modelul dinamic de optimizare au fost formulate, calculele de simulare în baza lor au fost efectuate și analizate. Problema balansării tabelor intrări-ieșiri a fost soluționată prin aplicarea metodei RAS. Pentru modelul dinamic s-a construit matricea coeficienților investiționali. Accentul a fost pus pe problema aplicării lanțurilor Markov la examinarea a 19 și 16 ramuri în cadrul modelului intrări-ieșiri pentru Republica Moldova. Matricea pătrată a cheltuielilor materiale directe de ordinul  $n \times n$  a fost construită. Fiecare ramură fiind considerată ca o stare a unui lanț Markov cu  $n$  stări. A fost adăugată o stare absorbantă încât matricea de tranziție s-a transformat într-o matrice de ordinul  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$ . Matricea de tranziție obținută – matricea de probabilități, s-a folosit în scopuri de previziune.

**Cuvinte-cheie:** modele intrări-ieșiri, model de optimizare static, model de optimizare dinamic, lanțuri Markov, matricea cheltuielilor materiale directe, matricea investițională, matricea de tranziție, previziune.

Главная цель настоящей статьи заключается в предоставлении обзора межотраслевых моделей, используемых для изучения экономического развития Молдовы. Были рассмотрены оптимизационная статическая модель и динамическая модель с ограничениями на энергетические ресурсы, а также стохастическая модель, основывающаяся на цепях Маркова, построенных на основе таблиц затраты-выпуск. Рассмотренные модели были снабжены статистическими данными, необходимыми для построения таблиц затраты-выпуск по 19 и 16 агрегированным отраслям национальной экономики. Были сформулированы статическая и динамическая оптимизационные модели, по которым были проведены и проанализированы имитационные расчеты. Таблицы затраты-выпуск были сбалансированы с помощью метода RAS. Для динамической модели была построена матрица коэффициентов инвестиционных затрат. Основной акцент был поставлен на применение Марковских цепей для изучения

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19 и 16 агрегированных отраслей в рамках модели затраты-выпуск для Республики Молдова. Каждая отрасль ассоциировалась с одним из состояний цепи Маркова с  $n$  состояниями. К рассматриваемой цепи добавилось еще одно, абсорбированное состояние так, что переходная матрица приобрела порядок  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$ . Построенная переходная матрица – вероятностная матрица была использована в целях прогнозирования.

**Ключевые слова:** модели затраты-выпуск, статическая оптимизационная модель, динамическая оптимизационная модель, цепи Маркова, технологическая матрица, инвестиционная матрица, переходная матрица, прогнозирование.

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**Introduction.** For empirical applications, the input-output table has the same importance as a mathematical model. Most analyses start from tables in money units and devote a great deal of effort to making sure that the total money value of each row is equal to that of the corresponding column before deriving a coefficient matrix. By contrast, Leontief [1-4] stressed the technological interpretation of each column of coefficients and urged the collaboration of economists with engineers and other technological experts to project, column by column, coefficient matrices representing hypothetical changes in technologies in different industries based on the information in physical units.

**Scientific approach** is based on the modeling modern theory, relied on the input-output tables approach. Interbranch models are made up from matrices of direct material expenditure of one producing industry for other producing industries. Method for interbranch balances construction has been proposed and implemented by Russian scientist Vasilii Leontief [1-2]. In the year 1972 V. Leontief was awarded the Nobel Prize in economic science “for elaboration of the input-output method and its application for solving important economic problems”. In time interbranch models passed through spectacular evolution, being studied both deterministic and stochastic models; static and dynamic models with lagged capital investment (one or more years), simulation and optimization models. Interbranch models are largely applied to economic development examination taking in account environmental medium. Such models have been used for world and regional economy evaluation, as a forecasting and indicative planning tool for medium and long term. Now these models are used in many industrial developed countries, but also in some less developed countries.

### The purpose and scientific basis of the research

The present research deals with the overview of author’s research experience in the interbranch modeling and the last research related to the Markov chain applications relied on input-output table. They studied deterministic static [6-8] and dynamic [9-10] optimization models, general equilibrium models, stochastic models [11]. Empirical researches, simulation calculations and obtained results analysis have been effectuated. Father, general theory of the input-output models will be followed [18].

Scientific basis of the research is the input-output Leontief model [4], which consists of  $n$  industries  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . The  $i$ -th industry requires an amount  $0 \leq a_{ij} \leq 1$  of goods (in physical units) from industry  $j$  to produce 1 dollar's worth of goods. The external demand for the industries goods, in physical units, is given by the vector  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ .

Let  $A$  be the  $(n \times n)$  matrix of inter-industry coefficients  $a_{ij}$ , the industries produce total amounts given by the vector  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and  $F$  is the matrix  $(k \times n)$  of factor input per output (one row for each factor), and  $f$  is total factor use. Then the basic static input-output model looks as:  $(I - A)x = y$ , or

$$x = (I - A)^{-1} y \quad (1)$$

$$f = Fx. \quad (2)$$

The amounts of goods which the industries will need just to meet their internal demands, is given by the vector  $x_A$ . In order to meet the external demand  $y$  and the internal demands the industries must produce total amounts given by a vector  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , which satisfies the equation  $x = x_A + y$ .

The inverse matrix  $(I - A)^{-1}$  has been called the Leontief inverse, also known as the multiplier matrix or matrix of multipliers.

Equations (1) and (2) are a quantity input-output model, and the coefficients in  $A$  and  $F$  matrices are ratios of physical units. If  $y$  is given, the solution vector  $x$  represents the quantities of sector's outputs.

Assume that each industry's output is measured in a unit appropriate for that sector. A mixed-unit flow table accommodates variables measured in different units and can be constructed with no conceptual difficulty. In the coefficient matrix  $A$  derived from such a flow table, the  $ij$ -th element is equal to the  $ij$ -th element of the flow table divided by the  $i$ -th row total. So, mixed unit  $A$  matrix may be constructed as columns of coefficients.

Equations (1) and (2) represent an abbreviation of the basic input-output model. The full model involves two additional equations (where  $(\cdot)'$  indicates transposition):

$$p'(I - A) = v' = \pi'F \quad \text{or}$$

$$p' = v'(I - A)^{-1} = \pi'F(I - A)^{-1} \quad (3)$$

$$p'y = v'x = \pi'Fx \quad (4)$$

Here,  $p$  is the vector of goods unit prices,  $v$  is value-added, the total money value of factor inputs per unit of output, and  $\pi$  is the vector of factors prices.

Equation (4), called the income equation, is derived from Equations (1) and (3), the GDP identity assures that the value of final deliveries is equal to total value-added

The Leontief inverse is strictly positive, i.e., each element is positive. It follows from basic economic logic which requires that an increase  $\Delta y > 0$  in final demand in Equation (1) should result in an increase  $\Delta x > 0$  in total output. If the matrix  $(I - A)^{-1}$  was not strictly positive, this logic could be violated. In consequence, Equation (1) always has a solution  $x > 0$  for  $y > 0$ . There are a number of equivalent statements about  $A$ :

1.  $(I - A)^{-1} > 0$ .
2.  $(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots$  (The series  $\sum A^k$  is convergent).
3. The successive principal minors of  $(I - A)^{-1}$  are positive.
4. There exists a choice of units such that all row sums or all column sums of  $A$  are smaller than unity.
5. The matrix  $A$  has a dominant eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .
6. A dominant eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$  is larger if one element of  $A$  is increased, and  $\lambda$  gets smaller if one element of  $A$  is decreased.

Statement 2 is important for distinguishing the industries contributing output in different phases of production. It says that output  $x = y + Ay + A(Ay) + \dots$ . So the quantity  $y$  must be produced, plus  $Ay$  which is the vector of input to produce  $y$ , etc. Statement 3 is the well-known Hawkins-Simon condition, which assures that each subsystem is productive; that is, each subgroup of industries  $i, j, k, \dots$  requires less input from the economic system than it produces in terms of outputs. According to statement 4, the Brauer-Solow condition, value-added in each sector is positive in coefficient matrices derived from input-output tables in (nominal) money values. Assuming that the matrix describes a viable economy, this property assures that if output is measured in any chosen physical units, there exists a set of prices such that each industry has a positive value-added (i.e., revenue left to pay for factor inputs).

The dominant eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is a measure of the size of the intermediate outputs produced in the economy relative to total production. That is,  $\lambda$  indicates the net surplus of an economy in the sense that the larger  $\lambda$  (within the bounds described by statement 5), the smaller the net output. The surplus so defined can be consumed, invested for growth, devoted to environmental protection, etc. Statement 6 is useful for interpreting the role of technological change. For example, a technological innovation that reduces the need for certain intermediate inputs results in a lower dominant eigenvalue for the new coefficient matrix, leaving more surplus. Innovations that are not cost-reducing, on the other hand, will result in a larger  $\lambda$ . Input-output analysis can effectively identify those industries where increased technological efficiency would have a significant economy-wide impact. Thus,  $\lambda$  is a kind of efficiency indicator in that of two matrices describing two different economies, the one with a larger dominant eigenvalue represents the economy that is less efficient economically although it may have other desirable features. Eigenvalues also play an important role in dynamic models, where they have an interpretation

in terms of rates of growth or contraction and profit rates. If the economy does not produce a surplus (i.e.,  $y = 0$  in Equation (1)), we deal with a closed model of the following form  $x = Ax$ .

In this special case,  $A$  has a dominant eigenvalue equal to unity, and total output  $x$  is the Perron-Frobenius eigenvector of  $A$ . To solve this model for  $x$  means to solve it for this eigenvector. The solution provides only the production proportions; the scale has to be determined in other ways, such as external knowledge about the size of certain elements of  $x$ .

Above we interpreted the  $i_{th}$  column of the input coefficient matrices  $A$  and  $F$  as representing the technology to make good  $i$  and claimed that the coefficients represented an average technology. This interpretation allows for the existence of differences in technology among enterprises in the same industry. The use of an average avoids the complication of having to distinguish products and technologies where the distinction does not add much useful information for the purposes of the analysis. In terms of the model, it means that a one-to-one relation is established between the typical commodities and also average technology for producing it.

Suppose a new technology becomes available to produce the  $i - th$  good. The  $i_{th}$  columns of  $A$  and  $F$  will also be balanced if the new technology is adopted by this industry. If two technologies are available for producing the  $i_{th}$  good, the model can determine which technology is the lower-cost choice in terms of the overall use of factors. Equation (3) shows that the cost of factor use is equal to  $v'x$  or  $\pi'Fx$ . If the new technology is cheaper in terms of overall factor inputs, it is more efficient than the old one and in principle will be installed. Because each price is the sum of the costs of the primary resources used directly and indirectly in its production, introducing the new technology will assure minimal cost.

These considerations enable to formalize the economically most efficient choice of technology as a minimization problem. The non-substitution theorem formulated and proved in [7, 9] identifies the choice among several alternative technologies that minimizes the use of priced resources for each product. It can be shown that for a particular final demand  $y$ , there is a unique, cost-minimizing set of technologies, provided that the possibility of factor constraints is ignored.

There are three types of impact, propagated through economy: direct, indirect, and induced that could be estimated by input-output models. Economy wide shocks deal with changing in the initial expenditure. Impact of the input changing between industries contributing to modifications in one or more specific technologies can be estimated.

### Data sources and utilized methods

Direct material expenditure coefficients matrices were constructed on the National Accounts base in constant prices [8]. Direct investment expenditure coefficients matrix and limiting coefficients were constructed for the dynamic optimization model with one or more lags. Leontief inverse matrix was determined, Markov chain was constructed on the base of direct material expenditure coefficients matrix, transposing input-output matrices into transition one. Optimization methods, Solver application, RAS method software (proper elaboration) were utilized.

## 1. Own results and discussions

### 1.1. Static input-output model for the Republic of Moldova

Input-Output table elaboration in the Republic of Moldova has been started since USSR by the State Planning Institute. Our country at that time has occupied leading position at the diverse dimensions input-output table elaboration. After tearing of the USSR, this task was incumbent on the Institute of the Market Problems and to the National Bureau of Statistics. At present, principal elements of the input-output tables could be extracted from National Accounts. Regretfully, from the year 2015 this data for input-output table elaborating was ceased.

Researching of the interbranch models based on the input-output tables has been effectuated by the institutes of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova such as: Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science "Vladimir Andrunachievici", National Institute of Economic Research and the Institute of Energetic, which shows a major interest in the interbranch models examination.

Relying on the data in current prices for the 23 branches from the National Accounts of the Republic of Moldova, years 1996-2014, input-output table in constant prices in their classic form was constructed. Namely, for mentioned years, information was selected and processed. This data has formed I-III quadrant of the interbranch balances in constant prices.

Having input-output tables for year 2014 in the structure of the  $n$  (23) examined branches the model of the economic development will be formulated and solved. Four branches: Public administration and defense (L), Associate activities not included in other activities (O91), Recreation, culture and sport activities (O92) and Other activities and services (O93) are not productive branches. Having zero over the line, these branches consume only, so do not affect the matrix of direct material expenditure, thus may be excluded from the interbranch balance. The interbranch static and dynamic models have been studied in [6-11], based on it, much simulation was done. Further static optimization problem based on the input-output table for the year 2014 will be formulated.

An input-output table (year 2014) for the 19 productive aggregate industries of the Moldovan economy is principalelement when static optimization problem is formulated. Our country being in profound scarcity of the proper sources of energy, is imposed to import it in sufficient large proportions for covering own necessities. As a result, both growing of the world prices of energy resources and internal tariffs growing, contribute to the domestic prices of the energy resources changing. This in its turn affects both production sector in total and households dramatically influencing country energy security and wellbeing of the population, being on the limit of poverty. So, the problem of energy tariffs growth studying, in this context has major importance.

Interbranch balances can be very useful in the structure of 19 productive aggregate industries, from which aggregate industry of Electric energy, gase and water being one on the whole based on import. So, we will research the influence of the energy tariffs growing on the economy as a whole and on the population in special using interbranch static optimization models.

Suppose that energy tariffs grow 1.5 times, then components of technology vector will grow at the same rate. In such circumstances, what will be the impact on Gross Domestic Product? Knowing output volume  $x$  in the one specified year, having modified electric industry technology vector (E), mentioned problem will be formulated as a problem of final consumption optimization. It can be mentioned that both elements of the input-output tables, output vector, and final consumption vector are measured in constant prices. So, the following static optimization problem needs to be solved: maximize final consumption when energy resources tariffs are increasing (changing vector-column (E) and fixing output volume vector value). Then formalized model is written as:

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^{19} y_i, \quad (5)$$

$$\text{subject to the following restriction } (I - A)^{-1} Y = X, \quad (6)$$

here  $x$  is the output vector volume which is known and  $y$  is the final demand vector, that must be maximized or

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^{19} x_i \quad (7)$$

$$\text{subject to the following restriction } X - AX = Y. \quad (8)$$

Let's examined matrices of the direct material expenditure  $A$  in money values. Elements of these matrices are less than one and its sum along the column and line is strictly smaller than one. Matrix  $A$ , constructed from statistical data [8] for year 2014 satisfied partly the earlier exposed particularities, namely, the sum along the column is less than one, but the sum along the line for some industries for example (Processing industry) is greater than one. In such circumstances inverse matrix existence do not done. Such phenomena implies problem in satisfying restriction (6). This imposed to done simulations based on the problem (7), changing prices following restriction (8).

## 1.2. Simulation's calculations

**Table 1**

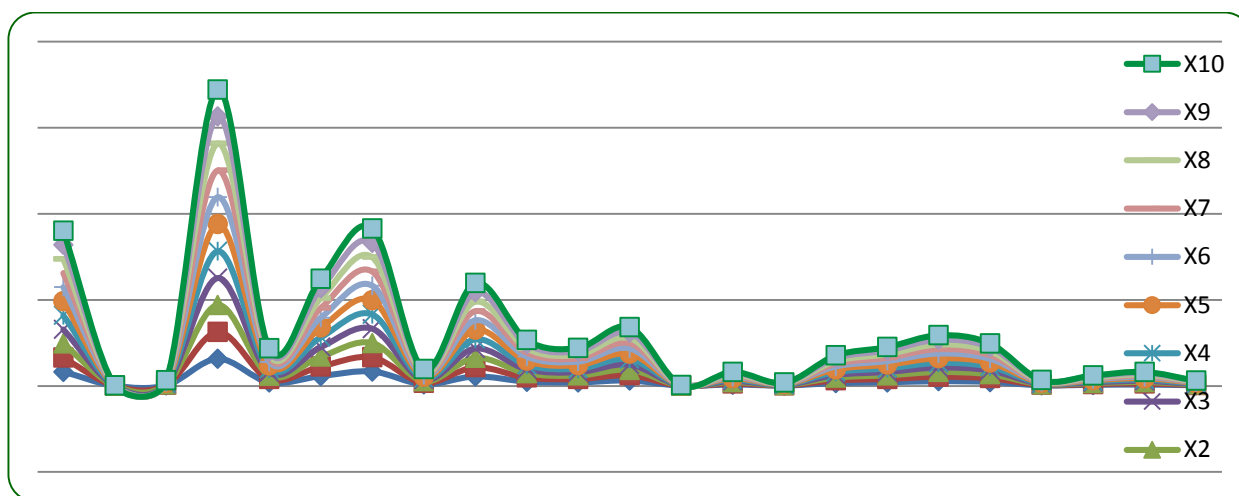
**Expenditure changes in respect to price modification**

Expenditure E	28500717	2843392	31307171	30698998	30359116	29846954	29211061	28548610	29411015	28962435
Resources X	221303904	4298115	1836452	192390282	201135294	218661243	221303904	227370333	236115346	244860358
Prices	1	1,05	1,1	1,15	1,2	1,25	1,3	1,4	1,45	1,5
Iterations	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Source: Author's calculations.

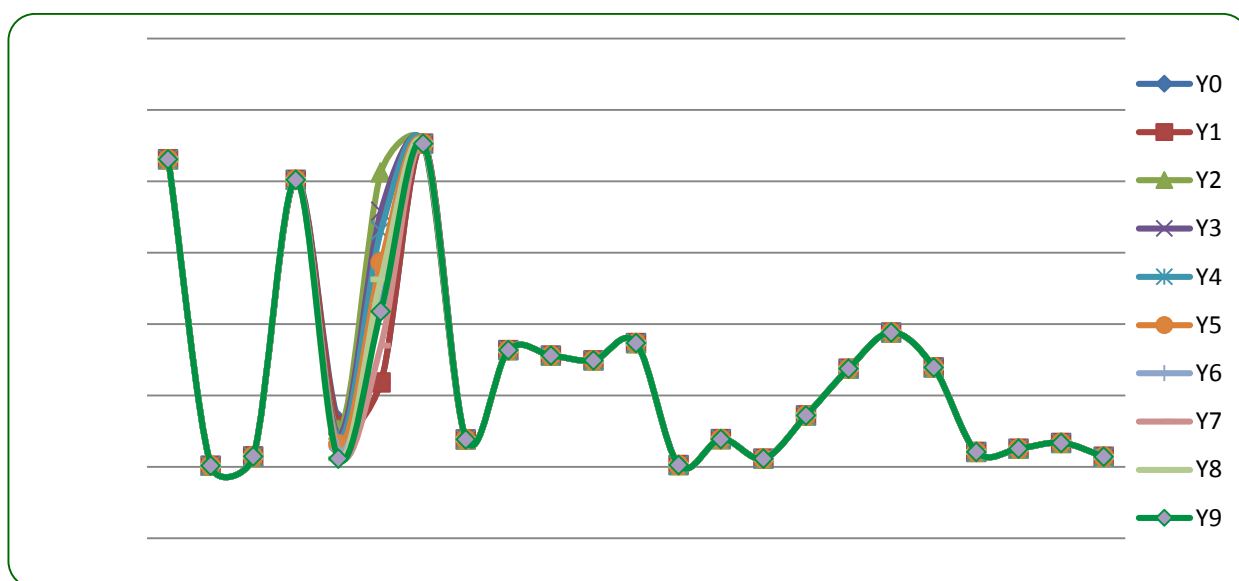


Simulation calculations effectuated in concordance with price modifications demonstrate that price growing can be only applied till 1,3 limit, after that some components of the Gross Domestic Product become negative, challenging economy collapse.



**Figure 1. Resource modification relative to price changing**

*Source: Author's calculations.*



**Figure 2. Modifications in Gross Domestic Product relative to price changing**

*Source: Author's calculations.*

### 1.3. Conclusions

It must be mentioned that through this study, the utility of the proposed tool, based on the input-output tables constructed on the money flows in constant prices [8] for years 1996-2014, was demonstrated. Two static optimization models (1)-(2) based on the data from year 2014 have been solved. The first model, given satisfied interbranch balance restrictions, starts with known volume of production in order to maximize final consumption. The second model deals with production volume maximizing, given known final consumption and interbranch restrictions satisfied. Calculations results have demonstrated that upper limits of the price increasing is equal to 30%, after that some components of the final demand become negative, which ascertained that final demand can not be satisfied. Using interbranch balance for 2014 year, it could be possible to demonstrate that energy resources tariffs growth, have negative impact on the Gross Domestic Product, which influences both economy as a hole and population especially. Such analysis can be effectuated for every industry from

those 19 examined in accordance with proposed objective. It is very unfortunate to know that beginning from year 2015 interbranch tables elaboration in the classical manner was ceased.

Another examined aspect is referred to the input-output tables unbalance namely that sum over line may be greater than one, as result it is not equal to the column sum, which is less than one. This industries utilized resources exceeding more production volume, using in plenty import resources (especially energy resources) surpassing domestic production. Input-output table balancing problem is possible to be solved by using RAS method. Next, RAS method description and application follows.

#### 1.4. Input-output matrices balancing

Table 2

Sum of the direct material expenditure matrices coefficients along the columns and lines

Aggregate branches	$\sum_i a_{ij}$	$\sum_j a_{ij}$	$x_i$	$x_i - \sum_i a_{ij} x_i$	$x_i - \sum_j a_{ij} x_j$
A Agriculture, hunting economy and forestry	0.65	0.47	8194443	4307985	3617782
B Fishing	0.01	0.45	27364.6	14925	26046
C Mining	0.44	0.52	303098.6	145482	1449980
<b>D Processing industry</b>	<b>5.94</b>	<b>0.74</b>	15657828	4022168	20667046
E Water distribution; waste administration	0.72	0.67	1985815	650721	1498246
F Construction	0.39	0.79	5660514	1185158	822897
G Wholesale and retail trading	0.07	0.46	8310259	4528646	237941
H Hotels and restaurants	0.16	0.57	892875.4	384848	287496
160-63 Transport and storing	0.63	0.70	5439666	1636009	2207758
164 Communications	0.45	0.36	2427941	1560084	862180
J Financial activity	0.35	0.26	2011364	1492015	934737
K70 Estate transactions	0.65	0.44	3103366	1735042	1474654
K71 Cars and equipments rent	0.02	0.39	38119.96	23372	16664
K72 Computers and adjoint activity	0.13	0.48	743423.5	387512	141666
K73 Investigations - elaborations	0.05	0.34	173374.3	113617	66855
K74 Other commercial activities	0.31	0.55	1611441	719303	862941
L Public administration and defense	0	0.33	2049550	1376683	73720
M Education	0.03	0.29	2680886	1884680	47213
N Health and social assistance	0.02	0.38	2241138	1391747	121516
O90 Recovering and waste removing	0.08	0.32	306535.1	208836	0
O91 Activities not included in other categories	0	0.55	558130.2	253929	0
O92 Recreation, cultural and sport activities	0	0.55	744108.9	336151	0
O93 Other activities and services	0	0.49	277459.9	141804	3617782

Source: Author's calculations.

Table 2 offers calculations of the sum direct material expenditure matrices coefficients along the columns and lines, effectuated in accordance with model data. Showed noticed from this table that column sum over the column is less than one for all examined branches but sum over line of the Processing industry exceeds much more one unit, in such a manner encroach upon productivity property of the direct material expenditure coefficients matrices. Second observation certified that double accounting rule don't have to stand. To surpass this phenomena one will appeal to the RAS [13] method, well known and wide utilized automation tool for balancing input-output matrices. Main objective of the RAS method consists in column and line balancing of the input-output matrices, in other words balancing demand and use through modification and revising of initial input-output table. Main equation which is cyclic dependent on the existing discrepancy can be written as:

$$X_C^{new}(t_n) \cdot X_C^{new}(t_{n-1}) \cdot \dots \cdot X_C^{new}(t_1) \cdot A \cdot X_R^{new}(t_1) \cdot \dots \cdot X_R^{new}(t_{n-1}) \cdot X_R^{new}(t_n) = A^{new}.$$

Here

$X_C^{new}(t_1)$  is the new volume production vector over column at the time  $t_1$ ,

$A$  is the direct material expenditure matrix,

$X_R^{new}(t_1)$  is the new volume production vector over line at the time  $t_1$ .

These equations have been easily solved with special software or by utilizing Excel applications.

Being known precise sums over columns and lines in practice this method is reduced to revising existent totals over columns and lines so as it coincides with that precise. The RAS adjustments can be seen as one iterative process in which columns and lines (lines and columns) have been modified successively in order to obtain correct balanced totals over columns and lines so as differences among two consecutive lines be equal to zero.

At the first step ( $t_1$ ) (first iteration), matrix  $A$  will be replaced by the line sum in concordance with the formula:  $A_R^{new}(t_1) = X_R^{new}(t_1) \cdot A$

Procedure is applied to all matrix  $A$  lines. At the second step (first iteration) all column sums are recalculated in concordance with formula:  $A_C^{new}(t_1) = X_C^{new}(t_1) \cdot A$ .

First iteration is finalized with the matrix  $A$  recalculated over columns and lines as follows:  $A^{new}(t_1) = X_C^{new}(t_1) \cdot A \cdot X_R^{new}(t_1)$ .

Table 3

**Input-output table initial data before applying RAS procedure mil lei**

Data in mil lei, constant prices	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	160-63	164	J
A Agriculture, hunting economy and forestry	1452154	4436	0	2000419	0	28031	29847	81591	0	0	0
B Fishing	0	1	0	20161	0	0	1890	1219	0	0	0
C Mining	57053	33	59	393858	322219	421803	53898	14088	17250	3304	1193
D Processing industry	2225370	6147	109014	7755851	542075	3567832	1315381	251983	2141284	325315	101408
E Electric energy, gase, water	41203	653	9484	320939	242408	26013	197846	47139	94006	146554	15007
F Construction	0	0	4076	194858	33087	103635	51275	15649	82651	53258	51162
G Wholesale and retail trading	0	0	0	66789	11179	6319	38772	2985	48556	8163	11803
H Hotels and restaurants	1564	38	521	24229	2951	35096	82510	762	71752	4154	2861
160-63Transport and storing	48850	166	30891	322883	34823	63718	564646	4542	889936	78445	16272
164 Communications	12232	165	511	88005	36106	39813	113264	22217	114752	153710	33824
J Financial activities	7177	92	701	71932	56425	27614	345550	8845	93080	13043	221442
K70 Estate transactions	13681	258	1657	167510	12464	128751	617018	23065	169002	19204	16641
K71 Cars and equipments rent	0	0	0	312	0	0	0	218	1089	65	41
K72 Computers and adjoint activity	4749	35	0	10232	5757	5489	0	4026	6928	8372	6614
K73 Investigations - elaborations	7879	0	0	30759	1819	636	0	520	2072	1408	698
K74 Other commercial activities	13756	398	545	132954	24649	6646	332874	16425	57195	40887	33512
M Education	0	6	129	8726	2396	1178	10600	1687	7788	8630	2332
N Health and social assistance	793	14	0	0	0	0	1643	0	0	0	0
O90 Recovering and waste removing	0	0	28	25243	6735	12782	24595	11066	6316	3346	4540
A Agriculture, hunting economy and forestry	3886462	12440	157617	11635660	1335093	4475356	3781612	508028	3803658	867859	519349
B Fishing	3886462	12440	157617	11635660	1335093	4475356	3781612	508028	3803658	867859	519349
C Mining	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Data in mil lei, constant prices	K70	K71	K72	K73	K74	M	N	O90	Line's sum	Correct sum
A	0	0	0	3762	0	7245	10298	0	3617782	3886462
B	0	0	0	0	0	626	2149	0	26046	12440
C	52932	50	1994	962	2208	57387	46117	3571	1449980	157617
D	666487	5071	153753	20905	494036	399234	538800	47098	20667046	11635660
E	171257	733	6897	3456	10361	105962	53869	4458	1498246	1335093
F	72239	345	795	11799	27980	70995	45663	3428	822897	4475356
G	14161	0	329	531	22631	1603	3974	147	237941	3781612
H	7707	44	3939	1084	20080	15227	4929	8050	287496	508028
160-63	25519	390	18008	3826	71576	15163	15754	2348	2207758	3803658
164	74832	157	57778	1416	79611	13721	13184	6883	862180	867859
J	28956	535	17736	893	12878	6272	13377	8188	934737	519349
K70	163450	6353	29377	1916	69923	23517	7954	2914	1474654	1368324
K71	127	0	0	62	77	4966	9600	108	16664	14748
K72	10639	299	51233	1032	4290	7479	12509	1984	141666	355942
K73	0	0	3078	5777	2730	4189	5291	0	66855	59757
K74	70470	483	8518	1799	60164	49925	8903	2839	862941	892138
M	1290	12	1240	107	9560	8896	7825	1317	73720	796206
N Health	0	0	0	0	0	0	44763	0	47213	849392
O90	8259	273	1267	429	4034	3799	4434	4368	121516	97699
Coloan's sum	1368324	14748	355942	59757	892138	796206	849392	97699		
Correct sum	1368324	14748	355942	59757	892138	796206	849392	97699		
Balancing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Source: Author's calculations.

Then equality of the new sums over columns and lines is verified. If the equality of the new sums over columns (or lines) doesn't exist, then matrix  $A^{new}(t_1)$  is copied and replaced instead of the matrix  $A$ . Iterations are repeated till both column sums and line sums coincide with that correct one, and namely with differences along the sum between last two iterations being equal to zero.

In conclusion, for RAS procedure application it is necessary to indicate data for direct material expenditure coefficients matrix  $A$  (with  $n$  lines and  $n$  columns) and correct sums over respective columns and lines. Then the balancing procedure realized in Excel application can be applied.

Table 4

Input-output table initial data after applying RAS procedure (mil lei)

Iteration 63. Line transformations	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	160-63	164	J
A	1785404	4510	0	1972238	0	33450	18718	64735	0	0	0
B	0	0	0	10872	0	0	648	529	0	0	0
C	7926	4	6	43874	33193	56872	3819	1263	1196	195	61
D	1680428	3838	54992	4696367	303547	2614945	506628	122790	807227	104328	28268
E	59883	785	9208	374035	261259	36695	146663	44211	68208	90459	8051
F	0	0	24377	1398725	219636	900423	234114	90401	369360	202468	169062
G	0	0	0	1441519	223125	165072	532281	51853	652450	93314	117271
H	4785	96	1064	59454	6697	104238	128782	1505	109614	5398	3232
160-63	147949	416	62501	784174	78210	187309	872266	8878	1345598	100901	18192
164	22464	251	627	129601	49171	70965	106096	26330	105208	119885	22931
J	7609	80	496	61149	44358	28414	186846	6051	49262	5873	86660

Iteration 63. Line transformations	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	160-63	164	J
K70	21687	338	1755	212928	14652	198093	498878	23594	133744	12928	9738
K71	0	0	0	771	0	0	0	433	1675	85	46
K72	22177	134	0	38315	19935	24879	0	12132	16151	16603	11402
K73	10685	0	0	33451	1829	837	0	455	1403	811	350
K74	25595	612	677	198367	34010	12002	315903	19722	53127	32309	23017
M	0	102	1891	153604	39001	25095	118695	23898	85350	80461	18897
N	89869	1275	0	0	0	0	95028	0	0	0	0
O90	0	0	24	26217	6469	16069	16248	9250	4084	1841	2171
<b>Coloan's sum</b>	3886462	12440	157617	11635660	1335093	4475356	3781612	508028	3803658	867859	519349
<b>Correct sum</b>	3886462	12440	157617	11635660	1335093	4475356	3781612	508028	3803658	867859	519349
<b>Balansing</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Iteration 63. Line transformations	K70	K71	K72	K73	K74	M	N	O90	Line's sum	Correct sum
A	0	0	0	1485	0	4267	1655	0	3886462	3886462
B	0	0	0	0	0	202	189	0	12440	12440
C	3968	4	147	43	127	3819	837	263	157617	157617
D	271589	2439	61812	5070	154948	144417	53176	18852	11635660	11635660
E	134315	679	5337	1613	6254	73773	10233	3434	1335093	1335093
F	348957	1969	3791	33920	104029	304437	53423	16264	4475356	4475356
G	205682	0	4712	4590	252999	20668	13981	2097	3781612	3781612
H	12726	86	6417	1065	25521	22321	1971	13057	508028	508028
160-63	41708	753	29037	3722	90039	21999	6236	3770	3803658	3803658
164	74160	184	56491	835	60725	12071	3165	6700	867859	867859
J	16565	361	10010	304	5670	3185	1853	4601	519349	519349
K70	139818	6413	24792	975	46037	17858	1648	2448	1368324	1368324
K71	211	0	0	61	98	7327	3865	176	14748	14748
K72	26810	889	127371	1548	8320	16731	7634	4910	355942	355942
K73	0	0	2223	2516	1538	2721	938	0	59757	59757
K74	70756	573	8437	1075	46494	44498	2165	2800	892138	892138
M	15287	174	14491	757	87169	93553	22452	15329	796206	796206
N Health	0	0	0	0	0	0	663220	0	849392	849392
O90	5773	225	874	179	2170	2357	751	2999	97699	97699
<b>Coloan's sum</b>	1368324	14748	355942	59757	892138	796206	849392	97699		
<b>Correct sum</b>	1368324	14748	355942	59757	892138	796206	849392	97699		
<b>Balansing</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Source: Author's calculations.

## 2. Dynamic input-output model for the Republic of Moldova

### 2.1. Model structure

Optimization models present special interest in its application for economic problems solving. Peculiarity of the optimization models consists in the possibility to elaborate methods for efficient using of the limited resources for maintaining sustainable economic development. Further, dynamic optimization model for Republic of Moldova will be presented. Input-output table's statistic data for Republic of Moldova have been collected from National Accounts (years 2000-2014) in the structure of 19 industrial branches) in concordance with European Union Standards. Objective function deals with maximizing the Gross Domestic Product restricted by limited energy consumption for the period of [1,T]:

$$\max f(x_t) = \sum_{t=1}^T e'(x_t - A_t x_t)$$

Here,  $x_t$  is the vector of the production volume,  $A_t$  is the matrix of the direct material expenditures and  $e$  is the unity vector.

Objective maximization function is followed to meet following restrictions:

$$\begin{aligned} C_t &\geq c'_t x_t \\ x_t &= A_t x_t + B_t (x_{t+1} - x_t) + y_{1t} + y_{2t}, \\ (s_t + s_{\beta}) e'(x_t - A_t x_t) &\geq e' B_t (x_{t+1} - x_t), \\ (1 - s_t) e'(x_t - A_t x_t) &\geq e' y_{1t}, \\ s_{\beta} e'(x_t - A_t x_t) &\geq -e' y_{2t}, \\ q_1 x_{t-1} &\geq x_t \geq q_2 x_{t-1}, \\ x_t, y_{1t} &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

In previous relationships  $c_t$  is the vector of energy consumption needed for production of the one unit of output in industries examined at the moment  $t$ ;  $B_t$  is the matrix of the investment coefficients;  $y_{1t}$  is the final consumption vector;  $y_{2t}$  is the vector of net export;  $s_t$  is the rate of internal savings, equal to (0.62),  $s_{\beta}$  is the weight of the foreign capital in GDP, equal to 0.67;  $q_1$  is the fast growth limited coefficient, equal to 1.127;  $q_2$  is the coefficient of economic recession limit, equal to 0.873. The investment coefficients of the matrix  $B_t$  were calculated according to the following formula:

$$b_{ijt} = \frac{\Delta s_{it} a_{ijt}}{\Delta x_{j(t+1)} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ijt}}$$

Optimization model formulated earlier, endowed with determined  $b_{ijt}$  coefficients, have been solved using Solver application and the following conclusions were done.

## 2.2. Calculating model parameters and forecasting

Table 6

Macroeconomic indicators values for  $st$  and  $stf$

Indices	Year 2010	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Mean
st	-0.6714	-0.6961	-0.6818	-0.4089	-0.6243	-0.6165
sft	0.6714	0.6961	0.6818	0.6478	0.6243	0.6643

Source: Author's calculations.

Table 7

Energy's Industry intermediate consumption

Years	Year 2010	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Max $C_t$
$C_t$	3664845.609	4152344	4421277	4867877	5373075	5373075

Source: Author's calculations.

Table 8

GDP forecasted values in (mil lei)

Objective function	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017	Year 2018
GDP	104512319.9	110708443.8	117496102.2	127693108.6

Source: Author's calculations.

## 2.3. Conclusions

Economic development scenario restricted by energy saving policies have been elaborated dealing with small changes, in the limits of existing possibilities. So, following results presented in Table 9, small diminishing of the energy industry volume in the Gross Domestic Product structure and increasing weight in the services industries were confirmed. In conclusion, to reach energy saving it is necessary to develop such services industries which consume a small volume of energy resources: only human resources and energy preserving technologies.

Table 9

## Forecasting results (year 2018)

Aggregate branches	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017	Year 2018
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	12,9178	14,0059	15,9075	15,9075
B Mining	0,4762	0,5163	0,5562	0,5864
C Processing industry	24,6010	20,6616	17,2410	14,0811
<b>D Production and supplying of electric energy</b>	<b>3,1200</b>	<b>2,6404</b>	<b>2,1866</b>	<b>1,7858</b>
E Water distribution; waste administration	1,3585	1,4730	1,5867	1,6729
F Construction	8,8936	9,6427	10,3874	10,9519
G Wholesale and retail trading	12,7075	13,7779	14,8419	15,6485
H Transport and storing	8,5466	9,6427	9,9821	10,5246
I Accommodation and public feed	1,4029	1,5210	1,6385	1,7275
J Information and communications	3,8597	2,5360	0,7761	0,8183
K Financial activity and insurance	2,4480	2,6541	2,8591	3,0145
L Estate transactions	4,8759	5,2866	5,6949	5,2798
M Professional, research and technical activities	0,2724	0,2953	0,3182	0,3354
N Professional services offer and support activities	1,9612	2,1264	2,2906	2,4151
O Public administration and defense	3,2202	3,4914	3,7611	3,9655
P Education	4,2121	4,5669	4,9196	5,1870
Q Health and social assistance	3,5212	3,8178	4,1126	4,3361
R Art, research and pleasure activity	1,1691	1,2676	1,3655	1,4397
S Other activities and services	0,4359	0,4727	0,3944	0,3221
N Professional services offer and support activities	1,9612	2,1264	2,2906	2,4151
M Professional, research and technical activities	0,2724	0,2953	0,3182	0,3354
O Public administration and defense	3,2202	3,4914	3,7611	3,9655
P Education	4,2121	4,5669	4,9196	5,1870
Q Health and social assistance	3,5212	3,8178	4,1126	4,3361
R Art, research and pleasure activity	1,1691	1,2676	1,3655	1,4397
S Other activities and services	0,4359	0,4727	0,3944	0,3221

Source: Author's calculations.

Table 10

## Direct investment expenditure coefficients matrix

Investment matrix Bt	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
A Agriculture, hunting economy and forestry	0,00015	0	2E-05	0	0	2E-06	9,2E-07	0	0,000168
B Mining	5,4E-10	2E-09	3E-10	2,56E-08	7,8E-09	2,8E-09	1,5E-10	7E-11	2,69E-09
C IProcessing industry	5,4E-05	0,008	2E-05	0,000109	0,00044	6E-05	9,2E-06	2E-05	0,000122
D Electric energy, thermic energy, gas, hot water, and conditional air production and supplying	1,3E-06	8E-04	9E-07	6,22E-05	7,6E-05	5,6E-07	1,8E-06	1E-06	2,91E-05
E Water distribution; sanitation, waste administration, decontamination activities	0	1E-05	3E-07	8,24E-06	5,9E-05	1,3E-06	1E-06	4E-07	3,25E-05
F Construction	0	0,005	7E-06	0,000111	0,00023	2,9E-05	6E-06	1E-05	0,000126

Investment matrix Bt	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
G Wholesale and retail trading; keeping and repairing of cars and motocars	0	0	8E-06	0,000121	3,3E-05	5,7E-06	1,4E-05	3E-05	8,33E-05
H Transport and storing	5,2E-06	0,01	3E-06	3,09E-05	5,8E-05	4,7E-06	1,7E-05	4E-05	9,69E-06
I Accomodation and public nourishment activities	1,9E-08	2E-05	2E-08	2,87E-07	1,2E-05	2,9E-07	2,8E-07	4E-07	1,78E-07
J Information and communication	4E-07	3E-05	2E-07	8,22E-06	2,3E-05	7,5E-07	7,7E-07	1E-06	1,24E-05
K Financial and asurance activities	7,2E-08	2E-05	6E-08	4,65E-06	7,5E-06	1,9E-07	9,8E-07	4E-07	1,75E-06
L Estate tranzactions	1,5E-06	5E-04	2E-06	1,13E-05	6,9E-05	9,8E-06	2E-05	8E-06	5,02E-05
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	1,6E-07	0	6E-08	3,17E-07	0	9,3E-09	0	2E-08	2,17E-07
N Activități de servicii Administration servivies and support servicies	2,1E-07	2E-05	2E-07	3,05E-06	8,5E-06	6,9E-08	1,4E-06	4E-07	4,88E-06
P Education	6,2E-09	4E-04	8E-07	2,22E-05	0,00011	9,1E-07	3,4E-06	4E-06	3,75E-05
Q Health and social assistance	6,4E-06	0	0	0	0	0	3,7E-06	0	0

Investment matrix Bt	J	K	L	M	N	P	Q
A Agriculture, hunting economy and forestry	0	0	0	2E-05	0	3,5E-06	1,6E-06
B Mining	9,09E-11	1,3E-11	2E-09	4E-10	1,05E-10	2,4E-09	5,5E-10
C IProcessing industry	2,083E-05	2,7E-06	6E-05	2E-05	5,96E-05	4,2E-05	1,6E-05
D Electric energy, thermic energy, gas, hot water, and conditional air production and supplying	8,512E-06	5,1E-07	2E-05	5E-06	1,6E-06	1,4E-05	2,1E-06
E Water distribution; sanitation, waste administration, decontamination activities	1,219E-06	7,3E-07	4E-06	3E-06	2,96E-06	2,4E-06	8,2E-07
F Construction	3,929E-05	2,3E-05	1E-04	0,0002	5,65E-05	0,00013	2,3E-05
G Wholesale and retail trading; keeping and repairing of cars and motocars	2,002E-05	1,7E-05	7E-05	4E-05	0,000148	3,7E-05	2,2E-05
H Transport and storing	1,852E-05	1,9E-06	1E-05	2E-05	3,82E-05	7,1E-06	2,1E-06
I Accomodation and public nourishment activities	1,7E-07	3,7E-08	3E-07	6E-07	1,17E-06	7,8E-07	7,2E-08
J Information and communication	1,151E-05	1E-06	7E-06	3E-06	9,89E-06	2,2E-06	7,6E-07
K Financial and asurance activities	5,477E-07	2,4E-06	1E-06	4E-07	6,36E-07	2,7E-07	1,7E-07
L Estate tranzactions	9,518E-06	2E-06	6E-05	1E-05	3,8E-05	1,1E-05	1,1E-06
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	1,69E-07	1,6E-08	0	6E-06	2,85E-07	3,8E-07	1,4E-07
N Activități de servicii Administration servivies and support servicies	1,32E-06	5,5E-07	4E-06	1E-06	4,46E-06	3,2E-06	1,7E-07
P Education	1,972E-05	2,8E-06	5E-06	6E-06	5,3E-05	4,3E-05	1,1E-05
Q Health and social assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,00045

Source: Author's calculations.

Calculations results, depicted in the considered table, also demonstrate considerable GDP growth during the examined years under sufficient decreasing of the energy resources weight of the energy industry.

For the dynamic model as well as for the static model, necessary data were gathered and processed. So the data from Statistic Yearbooks for the years 2000-2015 were selected, and were completed by specific features for dynamic model. Because since year 2015, Moldovan statistics has been changed in accordance with industrial structure of the European Union, the 19 industries structure instead of 23 was adopted. The new industry structure also looks like in table 9.

Examined model offered many opportunities for diverse scenario elaboration and solving both in order to modify rates of growth of the industries produce volumes, and to modify technology matrix structure, and also to increase profitability of the productive industries. Simulations calculations results obtained can be useful for decision making person's in formulating development polices in



particular at economy as a whole level and at the sector level in special.

### 3. Markov chains and exchange matrix for the Republic of Moldova

Let come back to the input-output model with 16 aggregate industries which described economy of the Republic of Moldova. Industry  $i$  necessitates the quantity  $0 \leq a_{ij} \leq 1$  of goods (in money value) from the industry  $j$  in one lei value. Let  $A$  be the direct material expenditure coefficients matrix with its elements  $a_{ij}$ ,  $16 \leq i, j \leq 16$ . Let the demand for final consumption be vector  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ . We will make up Markov chain taking as the states technology vectors in correspondence with examined industries, and as a transition probabilities  $a_{ij}$  elements. It is well known that the direct expenditure coefficients matrix (technology coefficients matrix) has satisfied conditions  $0 \leq a_{ij} \leq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  and line sum is equal to  $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} < 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and is strictly less than one.

Further transition – probabilities matrix will be constructed for the exchange matrix in the input-output model. For this purposes 16x16 exchange matrixes for Republic of Moldova (year 2014) were considered.

We examine stochastic matrix, which has nonnegative elements, each column of it sums to one. Economically, the system can be interpreted either as one in which there is no demand or one in which demand is considered as an industry which consumes all its own output.

Such matrices also arise in the analysis of finite Markov chains: stochastic processes in which the probability of being in a particular state at any step depends only on the state occupied at the previous step. More exactly, consider repetitive trials of an experiment with a finite number of possible outcomes  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$ . The sequence of outcomes is a Markov chain if there is a set of  $n^2$  numbers  $p_{ij}$  such that the conditional probability of outcome  $s_j$  on any trial, given outcome  $s_i$  on the previous trial, is  $p_{ij}$ ; that is  $p_{ij} = \Pr(S_j \text{ on trial } k+1 | S_i \text{ on trial } k)$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n, k = 1, 2, \dots$

The transition probabilities  $p_{ij}$  can be arranged in a stochastic matrix as follows:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{21} & \dots & p_{n1} \\ p_{12} & p_{22} & \dots & p_{n2} \\ & & \dots & \\ p_{1n} & p_{2n} & \dots & p_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $p_i^{(k)}$  be the probability that the outcome on the  $k$ th trial  $S_i$  and  $p^{(k)} = (p_1^{(k)}, p_2^{(k)}, \dots, p_n^{(k)})^T$  be the associated probability distribution vector. Then, for Markov processes, it is true that  $p^{(k+1)} = Pp^{(k)}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  Thus a Markov chain is completely characterized by its transition matrix  $P$  and an initial probability distribution  $p^{(0)}$  in the sense that  $p^{(k)} = P^k p^{(0)}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

In many applications of Markov processes, one is interested in the existence of equilibrium probability distributions; that is, vector  $p$  such that  $p = Pp$ . For example, if some positive power of  $P$  is strictly positive then it can shown that there is a unique strictly positive distribution  $p$  so that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P^k p^{(0)} = p \text{ for any initial distribution } p^{(0)}.$$

The existence of equilibrium distribution vectors can be proven using the Brouwer Fixed Point Theorem.

If  $s$  is the set of all probability distributions, then  $s$  forms the standard  $(n - 1)$  simplex in  $R^n$  and for  $p$  in  $s$ , we have:

$$\sum_i (Pp)_i = \sum_i \sum_j (p_{ij} p_j) = \sum_i \sum_j p_{ji} p_i = \sum_j p_j \sum_i p_{ji} = \sum_j p_j = 1,$$

so that  $Pp$  also lies in  $s$ . Thus, we can view  $P$  as a linear transformation from  $s$  to itself. Since  $P$  is continuous.

We can consider exchange matrix  $A$  as the transition matrix of a Markov chain provided only *normalized* price vector  $s$  productive whose components sum to one.

In the open model for an economy some output is accounted for by consumer demand. Every closed model may be considered as an open model too. In terms of matrix  $A$ , this means that some columns may sum to less than 1. The system, or the matrix  $A$ , is productive if there is a nonnegative vector  $X$  (output) such that  $X \geq AX$ . The vector  $X$  is a *production* vector.

*Theorem.* A substochastic matrix  $A$  is productive if and only if  $I - A$  is nonsingular.

*Corollary* If  $A$  is substochastic matrix, then the equation  $(I - A)X = D$  has a nonnegative solution if  $D \geq 0$ ; a positive solution if  $D > 0$ ; a strictly positive solution if  $D \gg 0$ . In the transition matrix of the Markov chain, sum over its columns is equal to one. In order to satisfy this condition by the exchange matrix  $A$ , we proceed in the following manner. An absorbent state 0, denoted as  $a_{i0} = 1 - \sum a_{ij}$  is added to exchange matrix  $A$ , obtaining the new matrix  $A'$ , line sum over every line be equal to 1.

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} & 1 - \sum_j a_{1j} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} & 1 - \sum_j a_{2j} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} & 1 - \sum_j a_{nj} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For columns sum to be equal to 1, it is needed to transpose the matrix  $A'$  and so transition matrix  $P$ , is obtained, in which column sum is equal to one.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{n1} & 0 \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{n2} & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{nn} & 0 \\ 1 - \sum_j a_{1j} & 1 - \sum_j a_{2j} & \cdots & 1 - \sum_j a_{nj} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Principal cofactor of the matrix  $P$  is equal to  $P_{nn} = (-1)^{(n+n)} |A(n, n)|$ , and  $|P| = 1 * P_{nn} = |A|$ . Suppose that  $x$  is the production volume vector in the year 2015, and  $y$  is the final demand vector in the same year (both normalized to one), then expression for the Gross Domestic Product is  $X - AX = Y$ , while vector  $t$  is absorption expectation time,  $t = Nc$ , where  $N = (I - A)^{-1}$  and  $c = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$  is the  $n$ -dimensional vector  $t = (3, 1, 1, 9, 2, 4, 4, 3, 1, 4, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1)$ .  $\det(I - A) = 0,097185947$ , then inverse matrix  $(I - A)^{-1}$  exists, and matrix  $A$  is productive.

There is not any positive power of  $P$  which is strictly positive for the matrix  $A$ . Right now we calculated a power of the matrix  $A$  equal to 15, for which  $p^{(15)} = P^{15} p^{(0)} \cong 0$ , then there is a unique strictly positive distribution  $p = 0$  so that

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P^k p^{(0)} = p$  for the initial distribution  $p^{(0)} = X$ , *normalised to one*. So, beginning from

the initial state  $X_{2015}$  and technology matrix  $A_{2015}$  examined economy has been tended to collapse.

### 3.1. Conclusions

Markov chain approach to the input-output models study was examined. Input-output table for year 2015 in 16 structure has been transformed into transition matrix by adding one additional column and then transposing it. After transposing transformed matrix became transition one with columns sum equal to 1. Applying known theory about Markov chain to the considered matrix, it was possible to study stability problem and time of transition from one state to another. So, effectuated calculations demonstrates that, it is strictly necessary to modernize the economy by implementing new contemporary technologies, the faster the better, because economy collapse can be happened in the following ten years.

#### General conclusions

Presented overview of the input-output models application to the concrete economy in transition like Moldovan economy, has demonstrated usefulness of this tool for empirical study. RAS method for input-output table balancing has been applied and realized as software program. Both static and dynamic optimization models can be implicated to elaboration of the diverse scenarios and their analysis. New technology proposed for implementation could be tested before it. Direct expenditure coefficients investment matrix has been constructed starting with settled down industries growth rate investment figures and then based on it, dynamic optimization model was solved using Solver procedure. The same procedure was also used for solving static and dynamic optimization models. Assumption about constancy of both technological and investment matrixes was made in order to effectuate calculation in time. This assumption was justified actually by small changes in time of technological and investment coefficients. Markov chain application to the input-output model treatment, appear to be very useful from the stability problem point of view. All together, examined methods are recommended for policy makers in order to consult alternative opinion when decisions are taking.

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