

# Data Envelopment Analysis in Stata



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DEA in Stata®



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# 1. Why DEA in Stata?



## ☞ Software Tools for Frontier Analysis

| Method         | Data Envelopment Analysis   | Stochastic Frontier Analysis   |
|----------------|---|--|
| Language       | AMPL, GAMS, Mathematica, SAS, VBA   | SAS, Matlab, R   |
| Program        | DEA Excel Solver, DEAP(v 2.1), DEAQual, DEA-Solver-Pro, EMS, FEAR, Frontier Analyst, OnFront, PIM-DEAsoft, Pioneer, Warwick DEA, MaxDEA, KonSi DEA, ISYDS(SIAD), xIDEA, <b>LIMDEP</b> , <b>StoNED</b> | Stata, BSFM, Frontier(v 4.1), WinBUGS, <b>LIMDEP</b> , <b>StoNED</b> |
| Online Program | DEA Solver Online, iDEA   | .  |

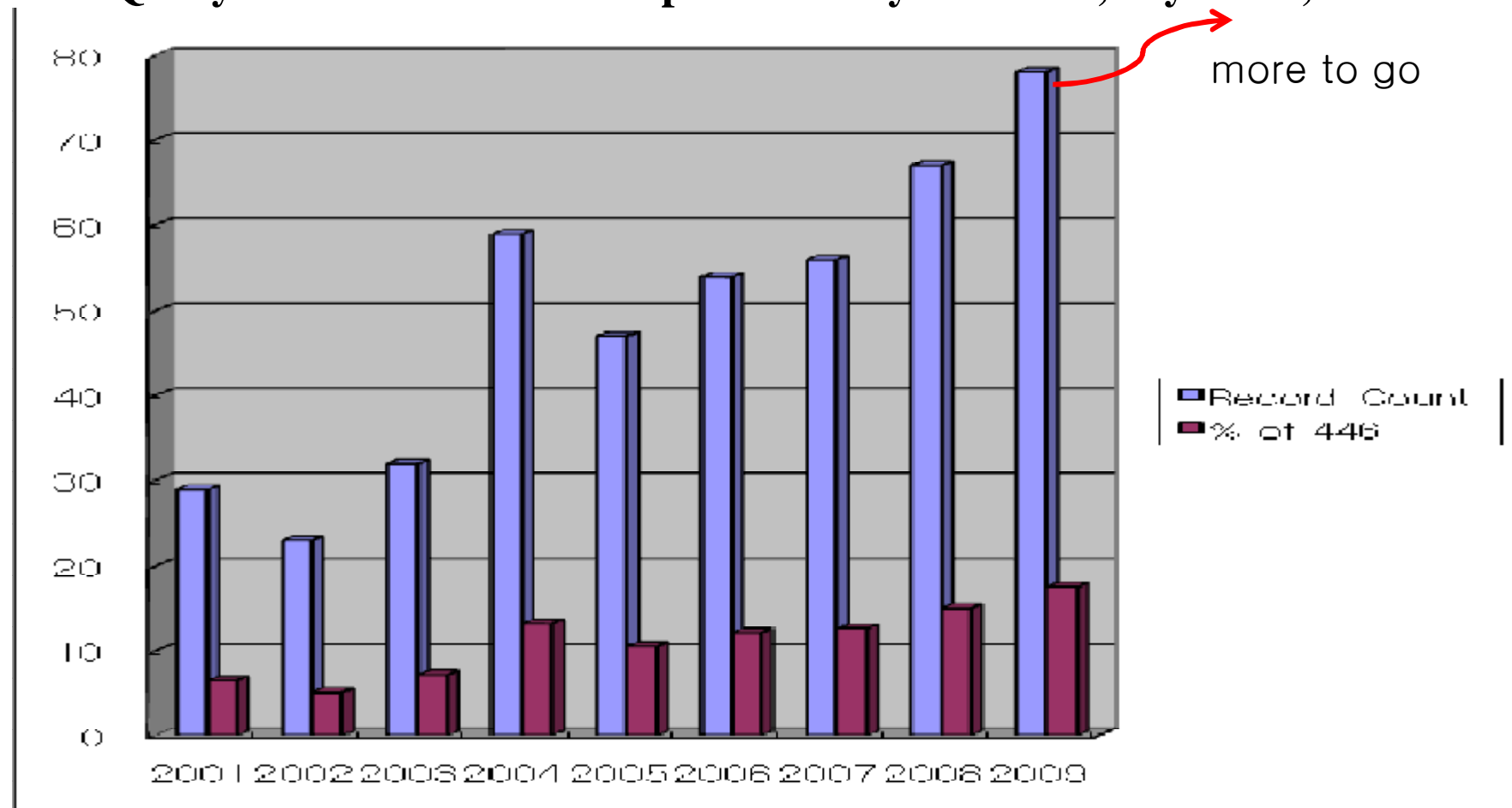
# 1. Why DEA in Stata? (cont.)



## ☪ DEA literatures by Year(2001-2009)

☞ D/B: Science Direct, EBSCO, Google scholar, \*SCI, SSCI

Query: DEA or Data Envelopment Analysis in title, key word, abstract



# 1. Why DEA in Stata? (cont.)



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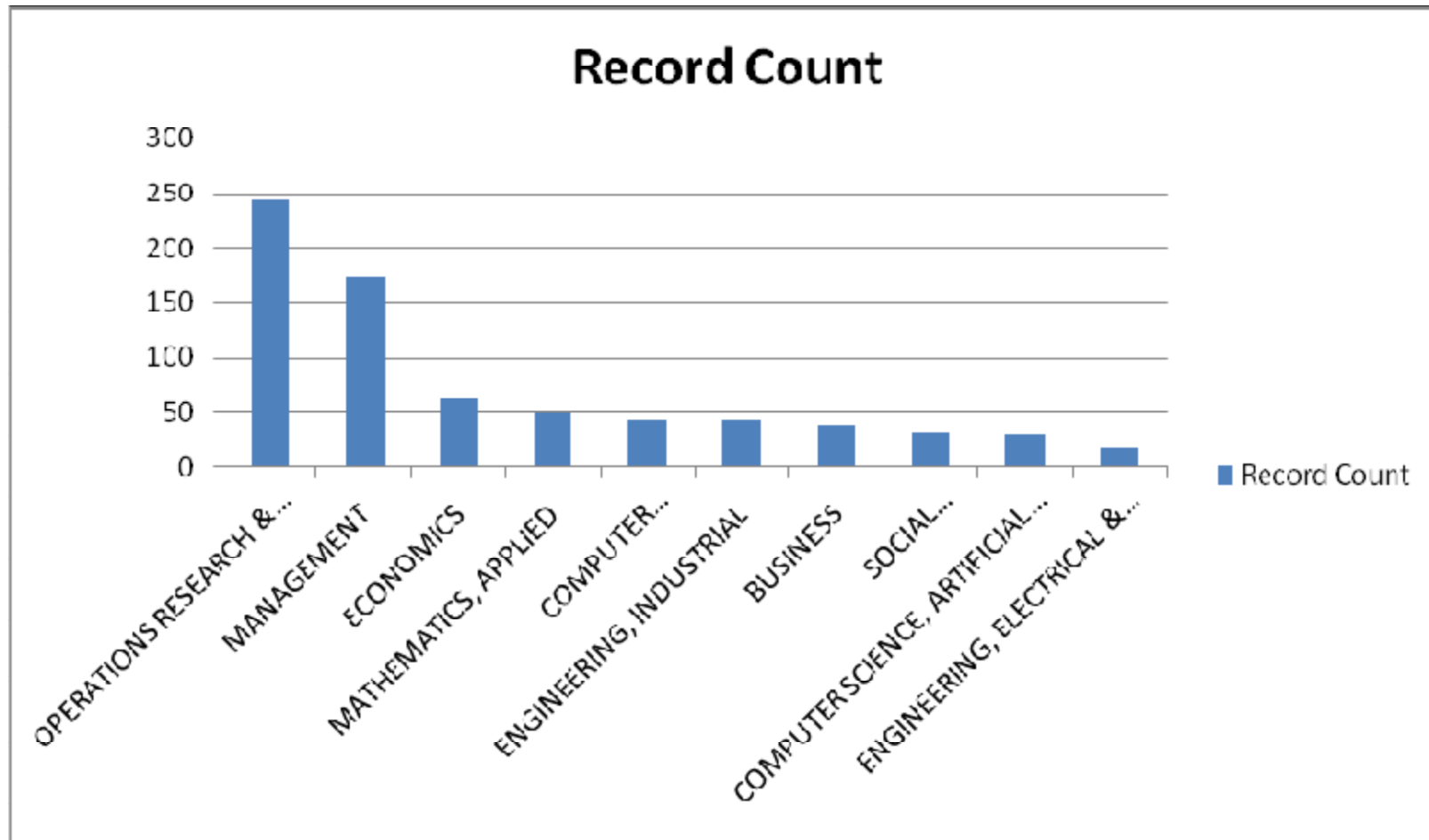
## ☪ DEA literatures by Journal(2001-2009)

| Source Title                              | Record Count | % of 446 |
|---|--------------|----------|
| European J. OF Oper. Res.                 | 93           | 20.8     |
| J. of the Oper. Res. Society              | 37           | 8.3      |
| App. Math. and Computation                | 36           | 8.1      |
| J. of Prod. Ana.                          | 30           | 6.7      |
| Omega-Int. of Management Sci.             | 21           | 4.7      |
| Comp. & Oper. Research                    | 15           | 3.3      |
| Expert Systems with Applications          | 13           | 2.9      |
| Annal of Oper. Res.                       | 10           | 2.2      |
| App. Economics                            | 10           | 2.2      |
| Int. J. of Infor. Tech. & Decision Making | 10           | 2.2      |

# 1. Why DEA in Stata? (cont.)



## ☺ DEA literatures by Subject(2001-2009)



# 1. Why DEA in Stata? (cont.)



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**... Stata is easy to use and powerful statistical software;  
Data Envelopment Analysis code in Stata will  
promote the efficiency in data management for DEA  
users and open new application areas in statistical  
inference for Stata users.**

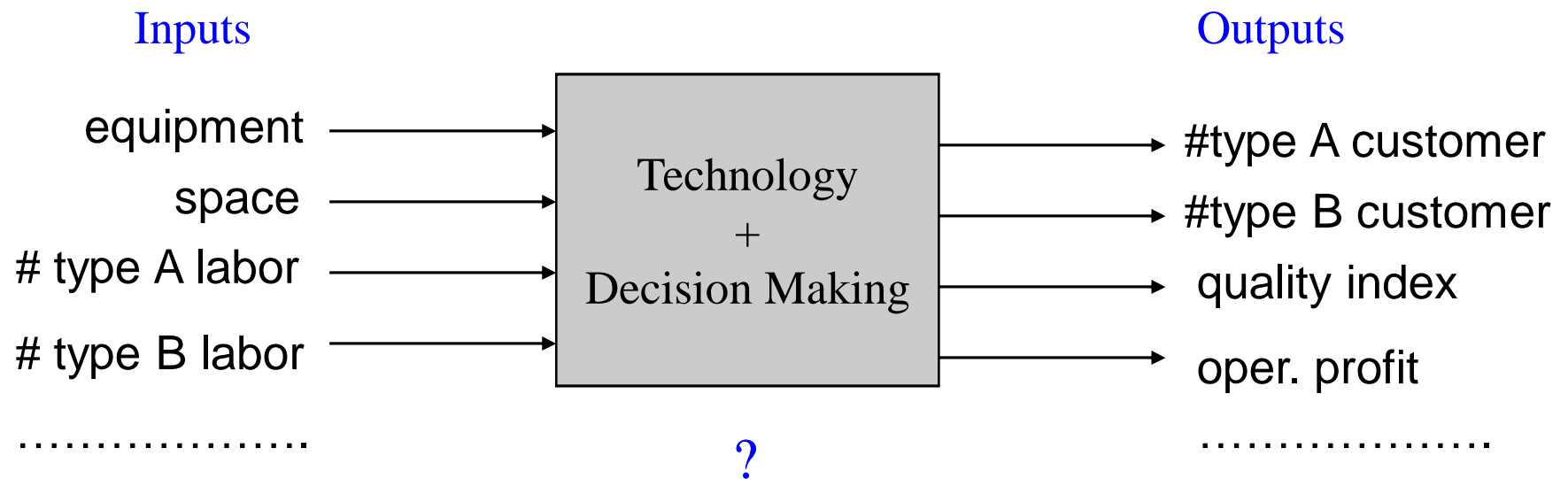
## 2. The Basics of DEA(cont.)



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### ☪ DEA Concept

$$\text{Performance(Efficiency, Productivity)} = \frac{\text{Outputs}}{\text{Inputs}}$$





## 2. The Basics of DEA(cont.)



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### ⌘ Assumptions to analyze the black box

- | Economic Behaviors: No input, no output!
- | (Free) Disposability
- | Convexity
- | Frontier Search: Piece-wise Linear Method
- | Scale Economy
- | Orientation: Input-based or Output-based Analysis
- | ...

### ⌘ Interpretation of DEA Results

- | X-inefficiency
- | Rational Choice of Input-Output Mixes
- | Performance
- | ...

## 2. The Basics of DEA(cont.)



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### ☪ Terms & Notations

- |  $(X, Y)$ : Input, output matrix
- |  $u, v$  : Row vector
- |  $l = (l_1, \dots, l_n)^T$  : Non-negativity vector
- |  $q, h$  : Real variable
- | Decision Making Units(DMUs)

## 2. The Basics of DEA(cont.)



### ☪ Basic DEA Models: CCR, BCC

| Orientation            | Primal   | Dual  |
|------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Input Oriented</b>  | $\begin{aligned} \max \quad & z = uy_j - (u_j)^* \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & vx_j = 1 \\ & -vX + uY - (u_j e)^* \leq 0 \\ & v \geq 0, \quad u \geq 0, \quad (u_j \text{ free in sign})^* \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} \min \quad & q \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & q x_j - X l \geq 0 \\ & Y l \geq y_j \\ & (e l = 1)^* \\ & l \geq 0 \end{aligned}$     |
| <b>Output Oriented</b> | $\begin{aligned} \min \quad & z = vx_j - (v_j)^* \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & uy_j = 1 \\ & vX - uY - (v_j e)^* \geq 0 \\ & v \geq 0, \quad u \geq 0, \quad (v_j \text{ free in sign})^* \end{aligned}$  | $\begin{aligned} \max \quad & h \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_j - X l \geq 0 \\ & h y_j - Y l \leq 0 \\ & (e l = 1)^* \\ & l \geq 0 \end{aligned}$ |

*( )\** is the additional constraint in BCC model

## 2. The Basics of DEA(cont.)



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### ☺ Characteristics of DEA

- | No assumption about Input-Output Function**
- | No limits to the number of inputs and outputs**
- | Not required to weight restrictions**
- | Provide reference sets for benchmarking**
- | Provide useful information for input-output mix decision**
- |  $n$  times computations for  $n$  DMUs**

## 3. The Stata/DEA program



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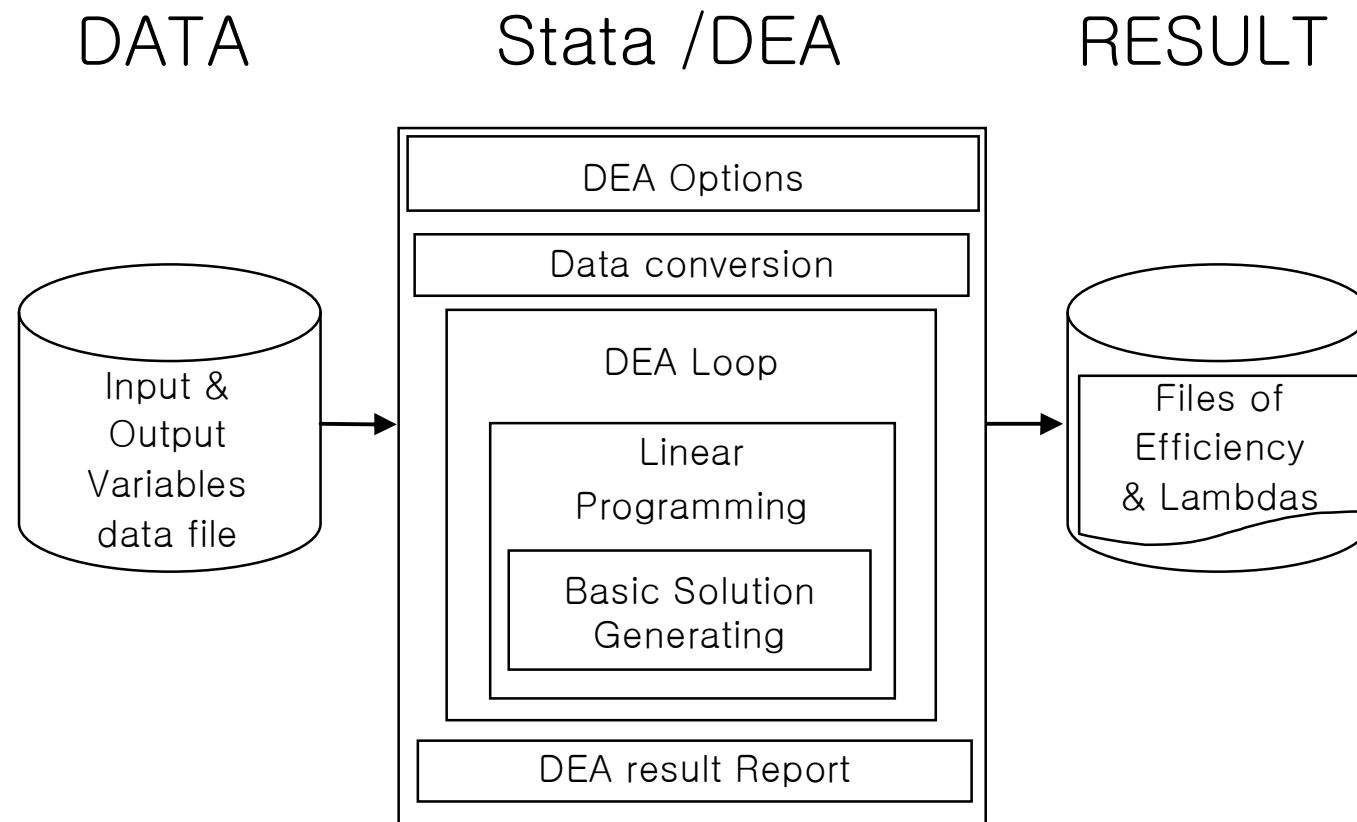
### ☪ User Written Stata/DEA Description

- | Considered the basic DEA models (CCR & BCC)**
- | Can handle both input minimization and output maximization problems**
- | The data flow in the Stata/DEA program**
  - i the input and output variables data sets required**
  - i the DEA options define the model**
  - i the “Stata/DEA” program consists of “basic” and “lp” subroutine**
  - i the result data sets available for print or further analysis**

### 3. The Stata/DEA program(cont.)



#### ☞ Diagram of Data flow in Stata/DEA program



### 3. The Stata/DEA program(cont.)



#### ☪ Stata/DEA Syntax (program code under Stata journal review)

- **dea** [, data(*string*) iotype(*string*) model(*string*) lambda]

| <i>options</i>                           | description  |
|--|--|
| <u>data</u> ( <i>filename</i> )          | Specifies the file name of input and output variables for observed units. The data describing inputs/outputs must be presented in the format that variables appear in rows and units in columns and saved as .csv file (Comma delimited MS Office Excel file). |
| <u>iotype</u> ( <i>input or output</i> ) | Specifies the orientation of DEA model to be solved. " <i>input</i> " for input minimization model and " <i>output</i> " for output maximization model.  |
| <u>model</u> ( <i>ccr or bcc</i> )       | Specifies the DEA model. " <i>ccr</i> " for Charnes-Cooper-Rhodes model and " <i>bcc</i> " for Banker-Charnes-Cooper model.  |
| <u>lambda</u>                            | Lists more information for lambdas and slacks than anyone probably wanted to know.   |

### ☪ **Example 1: Store's efficiency case(for model verification)**

**I Data: two inputs, two outputs, and 5 DMUs**

*※ Data imported from Cooper et al.(2006), p.75, Table 3.7*

**I The inputs are**

- i The number of employees (Employee)**
- i The floor area (Area)**

**I The outputs are**

- i The volume of sales (Sales)**
- i The volume of profits (Profits)**



## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



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### I The data file including input and output variables

| iotype | varname  | Store A | Store B | Store C | Store D | Store E |
|--------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| input  | Employee | 10      | 15      | 20      | 25      | 12      |
| input  | Area     | 20      | 15      | 30      | 15      | 9       |
| output | Sales    | 70      | 100     | 80      | 100     | 90      |
| output | Profits  | 6       | 3       | 5       | 2       | 8       |

※ *The input and output variables are saved in files "ta3\_7.csv"*

### I A user needs to set the options as required and run the following code for input orientation model

- **dea, data(ta3\_7) iotype(input) model(ccr) lambda**

# 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



## Ç The Result Window

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number of observations will be reset to 5
Press any key to continue, or Break to abort
obs was 0, now 5
c:\data
file eff_ta3_7.dta saved

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|    | DMU_No | Score    | rank | Refere~1 | Refere~2 | Refere~3 | Refere~4 |
|----|--------|----------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1. | 1      | .9333333 | 2    | DMU5     |          |          |          |
| 2. | 2      | .8888889 | 3    | DMU5     |          |          |          |
| 3. | 3      | .5333334 | 5    | DMU5     |          |          |          |
| 4. | 4      | .6666667 | 4    | DMU5     |          |          |          |
| 5. | 5      | 1        | 1    | DMU5     |          |          |          |

```

** input_oriented ccr_model DEA results **

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|     | optima~s | DMU1    | DMU2    | DMU3    | DMU4    | DMU5    |
|-----|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1.  | .9333333 | theta   |         |         |         |         |
| 2.  | .7777778 | lambda5 |         |         |         |         |
| 3.  | .2222222 | slack4  |         |         |         |         |
| 4.  | 11.66667 | slack2  |         |         |         |         |
| 5.  | .8888889 |         | theta   |         |         |         |
| 6.  | 5.888889 |         | slack4  |         |         |         |
| 7.  | 1.111111 |         | lambda5 |         |         |         |
| 8.  | 3.333333 |         | slack2  |         |         |         |
| 9.  | .5333334 |         |         | theta   |         |         |
| 10. | .8888889 |         |         | lambda5 |         |         |
| 11. | 2.111111 |         |         | slack4  |         |         |
| 12. | 8        |         |         | slack2  |         |         |
| 13. | .6666667 |         |         |         | theta   |         |
| 14. | 1.111111 |         |         |         | lambda5 |         |
| 15. | 6.888889 |         |         |         | slack4  |         |
| 16. | 3.333333 |         |         |         | slack1  |         |
| 17. | 1        |         |         |         |         | theta   |
| 18. | 1        |         |         |         |         | lambda5 |
| 19. | 0        |         |         |         |         | slack4  |
| 20. | 0        |         |         |         |         | slack2  |

## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



### I The result file including the efficiency score and reference set

| DMU_No | Score     | rank | Reference1 | Reference2 | Reference3 | Reference4 |
|--------|-----------|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1      | 0.9333333 |      | 2 DMU5     |            |            |            |
| 2      | 0.8888889 |      | 3 DMU5     |            |            |            |
| 3      | 0.5333334 |      | 5 DMU5     |            |            |            |
| 4      | 0.6666667 |      | 4 DMU5     |            |            |            |
| 5      |           | 1    | 1 DMU5     |            |            |            |

☞ Scores match with the results of Cooper et. al.(2006).

## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



### I The result file including detail values for the efficiency score and reference set (lambda option)

| optimal_solutions | DMU1    | DMU2  | DMU3 | DMU4 | DMU5 |
|-------------------|---------|-------|------|------|------|
| 0.9333333         | theta   |       |      |      |      |
| 0.7777778         | lambda5 |       |      |      |      |
| 0.2222222         | slack4  |       |      |      |      |
| 11.66667          | slack2  |       |      |      |      |
| 0.8888889         |         | theta |      |      |      |
| 5.888889          |         |       |      |      |      |

## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



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### ☪ Example 2: Weapons system construction efficiency

**I two inputs, three outputs, and 10 DMUs**

*※ Data from JAA fr( Jane's Armour and Artillery)*

**I The inputs are**

- i Combat weight**
- i Height**

**I The outputs are**

- i Power-to-weight ratio**
- i Max road speed**
- i Main armament diameter**

## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



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### I The data file including input and output variables

| iotype | varname                | M48A3 | M60  | T-62 | Leopard1A4 | T-72 | Leopard2 | M1   | K1   | Leclerc | T-90 |
|--------|------------------------|-------|------|------|------------|------|----------|------|------|---------|------|
| input  | Combat weight          | 46    | 40   | 41   | 40         | 41   | 55.2     | 54.5 | 51   | 54      | 46.5 |
| input  | Height                 | 3.124 | 3.27 | 3.33 | 2.76       | 2.19 | 2.64     | 2.44 | 2.24 | 2.46    | 2.2  |
| output | Power-to-weight ratio  | 16    | 16.2 | 14.5 | 19.7       | 19   | 27       | 27   | 23.5 | 27      | 17   |
| output | Max road speed         | 48    | 48   | 50   | 64         | 80   | 72       | 72.4 | 65   | 71      | 60   |
| output | Main armament diameter | 90    | 105  | 115  | 105        | 125  | 120      | 105  | 105  | 120     | 125  |

*※ The input and output variables are saved in files "t4\_2.csv"*



## 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



### I The result file including the efficiency score and reference set

|     | DMU_No | score    | rank | Refere~1 | Refere~2 | Refere~3 | Refere~4 | Refere~5 |
|-----|--------|----------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1.  | 1      | .716717  | 10   | DMU5     | DMU4     |          |          |          |
| 2.  | 2      | .8699198 | 9    | DMU5     | DMU4     |          |          |          |
| 3.  | 3      | .92      | 8    | DMU5     |          |          |          |          |
| 4.  | 4      | 1        | 4    | DMU4     |          |          |          |          |
| 5.  | 5      | 1        | 1    | DMU5     |          |          |          |          |
| 6.  | 6      | .979152  | 6    | DMU4     | DMU9     |          |          |          |
| 7.  | 7      | 1        | 3    | DMU7     |          |          |          |          |
| 8.  | 8      | .9735791 | 7    | DMU7     | DMU9     | DMU5     |          |          |
| 9.  | 9      | 1        | 2    | DMU9     |          |          |          |          |
| 10. | 10     | .9954545 | 5    | DMU5     |          |          |          |          |

\*\* output\_oriented ccr\_model DEA results \*\*



# 4. Stata/DEA Examples(cont.)



I The result file including detail values for the efficiency score and reference set (lambda option)

|     | optimal~s | DMU1    | DMU2 | DMU3 | DMU4 | DMU5 | DMU6 | DMU7 | DMU8 | DMU9 | DMU10 |
|-----|-----------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1.  | .716717   | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 2.  | .2775581  | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 3.  | .865503   | lambda4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 4.  | 10.6248   | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 5.  | .1273597  | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 6.  | .8699198  | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 7.  | .903642   | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 8.  | 21.83495  | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 9.  | 1.087427  | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 10. | .0737669  | lambda4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 11. | .92       | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 12. | 1         | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 13. | 25.65217  | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 14. | 3.23913   | slack3  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 15. | 1.14      | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 16. | 1         | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 17. | 1         | lambda4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 18. | 0         | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 19. | -4.44e-16 | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 20. | 0         | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 21. | 1         | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 22. | 1         | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 23. | -1.42e-14 | lambda9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 24. | 0         | lambda7 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 25. | 0         | slack5  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 26. | .979152   | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 27. | .0837379  | lambda4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 28. | .9601942  | lambda9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 29. | .0468058  | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 30. | 1.46076   | slack5  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 31. | 1         | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 32. | 1         | lambda7 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 33. | 0         | lambda9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 34. | 0         | slack5  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 35. | 0         | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 36. | .9735791  | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 37. | .2292651  | lambda7 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 38. | 2.313287  | slack1  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 39. | .5951521  | lambda9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 40. | .0988671  | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 41. | 1         | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 42. | 1         | lambda9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 43. | 0         | slack2  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 44. | 0         | lambda4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 45. | 0         | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 46. | .9954545  | theta   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 47. | 1.004566  | lambda5 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 48. | 20.09132  | slack4  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 49. | 2.009132  | slack3  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 50. | 5.312786  | slack1  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |

## 5. DEA Frontiers in Stata?



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- ☉ **The Stata/DEA program is a new application in Stata.**
- ☉ **DEA is a prevalent and powerful managerial tool for measuring the performance.**
- ☉ **The Stata/DEA program will provide Stata users with several opportunities :**
  - l **No extra cost to access DEA**
  - l **Flexible DEA model extension and development**
  - l **A powerful managerial tool as well as data management, statistical analysis, and optimization procedures**
- ☉ **The Stata/DEA program report's files can directly feed to other Stata routines for further analysis.**
- ☉ **Further Extensions to 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage Regression Analysis, DGP of DEA, Statistical Inferences of DEA, Case Specific DEA Models, and more are possible.**

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