

Appendices to:

**Social Norms and the Time Allocation of Women's Labor in Burkina Faso\***

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Appendix 1

The maximization problem (2) in the text has first order conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{L_a} &+ a_a(L_a + \bar{L}_a) \ddot{\epsilon} &= 0 \\ H_{L_h} &+ a_h(L_h + \bar{L}_h) \ddot{\epsilon} &= 0 \\ pm &+ a_m(L_m + \bar{L}_m) \ddot{\epsilon} &= 0 \\ T &- L_a - L_h - L_m &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{A1}$$

where  $\ddot{\epsilon}$  is the Lagrange multiplier on the time constraint. From the first order conditions we may derive a set of reduced form equations for the allocation of time into each of the three activities. Time in each activity will depend on the level of household capital, the price of the market product, the extent of conformity to social norms, and intensity of penalties from deviating or rewards for conforming.

To examine whether activity-regulating social norms influence the time allocation of women, the first order conditions (3) for the woman can be totally differentiated to yield comparative statics showing how time allocation varies with changes in household capital. The matrix notation of (A2) presents the totally differentiated first order conditions (where we have dropped the subscripts on the labor variables for simplicity):

$$\begin{matrix}
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & A_{LL} & a_a & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & 0 & H_{LL} & a_h & 0 & 1 \\
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & 0 & 0 & a_m & 1 & * \\
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & * \\
* & * & * & * & * & *
\end{matrix}
\begin{matrix}
* & * \\
* & \frac{ML_a}{MK} \\
* & * \\
* & \frac{ML_h}{MK} \\
* & * \\
* & \frac{ML_m}{MK} \\
* & * \\
* & \frac{M\ddot{e}}{MK} \\
* & *
\end{matrix}
\begin{matrix}
* & * \\
* & A_{LK} \\
* & * \\
* & H_{LK} \\
* & * \\
* & 0 \\
* & * \\
* & * \\
* & 0
\end{matrix}
,
\tag{A2}$$

To derive the comparative statics, we first find an expression for the Hessian determinant:

$$|H| = (A_{LL}a_a)(H_{LL}a_h)a_m - (H_{LL}a_h)a_m \tag{A3}$$

or,

$$|H| = H_{LL}A_{LL}a_aH_{LL}a_ha_m - A_{LL}a_ha_m < 0 \tag{A4}$$

Next we use Cramer's rule:

$$\frac{ML_a}{MK} = \frac{1}{|H|}
\begin{matrix}
* & * & * & * \\
* & A_{LK} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
* & * & * & * & * \\
* & H_{LK} & H_{LL} & a_h & 0 & 1 \\
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & 0 & 0 & a_m & 1 & * \\
* & * & * & * & * & * \\
* & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & *
\end{matrix}
\tag{A5}$$

which simplifies to:

$$\frac{ML_a}{MK} = \frac{1}{|H|} (A_{LK}(H_{LL}a_ha_m) - a_mH_{LK}) \tag{A6}$$

or:

$$\frac{ML_a}{MK} \cdot \frac{1}{|H|} (A_{LK}H_{LL} + A_{LK}a_h + a_m(H_{LK} + A_{LK})) > 0 \quad \text{if } A_{LK} > H_{LK} \quad (A7)$$

Similarly, we have:

$$\frac{ML_h}{MK} \cdot \frac{1}{|H|} ((A_{LL} + a_a)H_{LK} + a_m(A_{LK} + H_{LK})) \quad (A8)$$

Under the assumption that  $A_{LK} > H_{LK}$  the second term is positive, while the first is negative, so the sign of the expression is not determinate.

Finally, we have:

$$\frac{ML_m}{MK} \cdot \frac{1}{|H|} (A_{LK}H_{LL} + a_hA_{LK} + H_{LK}a_a + H_{LK}A_{LL}) < 0 \quad (A9)$$

Now we see how the responsiveness (to changes in the farm capital of her husband) of a women's allocation of time to home and market activities varies across the two ethnic groups. Following the assumptions in the text that  $a_a$  is zero for the Bwa while  $a_m$  is large; and  $a_a$  is large for the Mossi while  $a_m$  is zero, and  $a_h$  is zero for both groups, we may compare the responsiveness of time at home to changes in farm capital. The comparison in responses (when  $a_h$  equals zero) reduces to whether the LHS (representing the change in time allocated to home with a change in in farm capital for a Bwa women) is less than the RHS (the change for a Mossi woman):

$$\frac{H_{LK}A_{LL}a_m(A_{LK}H_{LK})}{A_{LL}H_{LL}a_m(A_{LL}H_{LL})} \text{ for a Bwa woman} < \frac{H_{LK}A_{LL}H_{LK}a_a}{A_{LL}H_{LL}a_aH_{LL}} \text{ for a Mossi woman} \quad (A10)$$

Under the assumption that  $A_{LK} > H_{LK}$ , the expression for the Bwa woman gets smaller and becomes negative as  $a_m$  increases, while the expression for the Mossi woman approaches a positive number in the limit as  $a_a$  increases.

Finally to consider how the magnitude of the negative effect of farm capital on time allocated to income-generating activities changes across ethnic groups (whether absolute value  $\frac{ML_m^{Bwa}}{MK} > \frac{ML_m^{Mossi}}{MK}$ ), note that under the assumptions in the text the relevant comparison is:

$$\frac{H_{LK}A_{LL}A_{LK}H_{LL}}{A_{LL}H_{LL}a_m(A_{LL}H_{LL})} \text{ for a Bwa woman} < \frac{H_{LK}A_{LL}A_{LK}H_{LL}a_aH_{LK}}{A_{LL}H_{LL}a_aH_{LL}} \text{ for a Mossi woman} \quad (A11)$$

Since as  $a_a$  increases the RHS approaches a finite number, while as  $a_m$  increases for the Bwa the LHS approaches zero, we expect that for Bwa women time in income-generating activities is less responsive to changes in farm capital than for Mossi women.

Appendix 2: Estimations with sample broken down by time period

Results of estimations with percent time allocated to activity as dependent variable, with separated according to market days or week days												
	Week days						Market days					
	home time		income-generating		husband's field		home time		income-generating		husband's field	
	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat
Constant	0.168	1.59	0.740	6.95***	0.063	0.70	0.313	2.68***	0.676	5.66***	-0.034	-0.64
CHILDBF	-0.091	-2.53**	0.046	1.28	0.049	1.59	0.001	0.04	-0.000	-0.01	0.003	0.14
CHILD210	0.013	0.80	-0.005	-0.29	-0.003	-0.23	0.002	0.12	-0.009	-0.50	0.007	0.83
OLDERG	-0.035	-1.72*	-0.008	-0.40	0.038	2.17**	-0.088	-3.94***	0.074	3.27***	0.010	0.99
OLDERB	0.017	0.98	-0.008	-0.45	-0.010	-0.64	0.048	2.53**	-0.044	-2.27**	-0.002	-0.23
BD	0.003	1.77*	-0.003	-2.20**	0.000	0.17	-0.001	-0.56	-0.001	-0.31	0.001	1.58
WID	0.065	1.50	0.017	0.38	-0.108	-2.79***	-0.013	-0.28	0.015	0.30	-0.012	-0.51
SCHYR	0.008	0.47	0.003	0.16	-0.006	-0.46	0.001	0.08	0.008	0.45	-0.010	-1.14
OXEN	0.011	0.36	-0.004	-0.14	-0.002	-0.06	0.107	3.26***	-0.113	-3.36***	0.011	0.77
OXSQ	-0.001	-0.40	-0.001	-0.17	0.001	0.41	-0.012	-3.07***	0.012	3.05***	-0.001	-0.60
BWA	0.231	3.91***	-0.097	-1.63*	-0.221	-4.26***	0.275	4.20***	-0.180	-2.69***	-0.137	-4.39***
OBWA	-0.078	-2.04**	-0.021	-0.55	0.149	4.31***	-0.116	-2.74***	0.072	1.67*	0.070	3.34***
OXSQBWA	0.010	1.91*	0.004	0.82	-0.021	-4.30***	0.013	2.44**	-0.008	-1.40	-0.009	-3.15***
EDU	0.001	0.59	0.001	0.47	-0.003	-1.37	0.000	0.10	-0.000	-0.08	-0.001	-0.56
FCHIEF	-0.080	-1.42	0.080	1.41	-0.000	-0.01	0.024	0.39	-0.020	-0.32	0.000	0.00
BROS	0.004	0.55	0.000	0.01	-0.004	-0.79	-0.001	-0.19	0.007	0.90	-0.005	-1.52
SALAR	-0.004	-0.08	-0.069	-1.42	0.058	1.46	0.044	0.83	-0.043	-0.79	-0.001	-0.04
FARMEE	-0.120	-2.46**	0.042	0.86	0.075	1.81*	-0.058	-1.08	0.011	0.20	0.036	1.48
HOMETOT	-0.016	-1.33	0.016	1.29	0.002	0.16	-0.014	-1.03	0.021	1.55	-0.005	-0.82
COWI	0.036	1.13	-0.031	-0.97	-0.004	-0.14	-0.005	-0.14	0.000	0.01	0.004	0.24
PEAK	-0.032	-1.11	-0.178	-6.18***	0.202	8.08***	-0.004	-0.13	-0.086	-2.65***	0.090	6.10***
R-square	0.210		0.290				0.260		0.240			
Log-likelihood					-5.877						20.100	

\*significant at 10% level, \*\*significant at 5% level, \*\*\*significant at 1% level.

Table 3a: Results of estimations with percent time allocated to activity as dependent variable, with separated according to market days or week days

Results of estimations with percent time allocated to activity as dependent variable, with sample separated according to peak or off-peak time												
	Peak days						Off-peak days					
	home time		income-generating		husband's field		home time		income-generating		husband's field	
	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat	coefficient	t-stat
Constant	0.340	3.08***	0.569	5.20***	0.048	0.58	0.172	1.50	0.768	6.76***	0.017	0.31
CHILDBF	-0.041	-1.09	0.023	0.63	0.023	0.82	-0.049	-1.24	0.023	0.58	0.021	1.19
CHILD210	0.011	0.70	-0.014	-0.85	0.005	0.37	0.003	0.18	0.000	0.02	0.000	0.01
OLDERG	-0.053	-2.54**	0.012	0.58	0.040	2.55***	-0.069	-3.15***	0.054	2.50**	0.008	0.70
OLDERB	0.019	1.03	-0.011	-0.59	-0.010	-0.64	0.047	2.49***	-0.041	-2.23**	-0.001	-0.13
BD	-0.001	-0.43	-0.001	-0.75	0.002	1.53	0.002	1.47	-0.003	-1.66*	0.000	0.12
WID	-0.007	-0.17	0.014	0.31	-0.013	-0.38	0.059	1.25	0.017	0.38	-0.080	-3.39***
SCHYR	0.007	0.39	-0.001	-0.04	-0.004	-0.35	0.003	0.14	0.012	0.66	-0.008	-0.99
OXEN	0.053	1.70*	-0.027	-0.89	-0.023	-1.06	0.065	2.01**	-0.090	-2.81***	0.023	1.67*
OXSQ	-0.006	-1.64*	0.002	0.64	0.003	1.30	-0.007	-1.91*	0.009	2.44**	-0.002	-1.33
BWA	0.236	3.82***	-0.025	-0.41	-0.295	-6.18***	0.270	4.19***	-0.252	-3.96***	-0.074	-2.42**
OBWA	-0.062	-1.55	-0.091	-2.28**	0.209	6.66***	-0.133	-3.17***	0.142	3.44***	0.027	1.29
OXSQBWA	0.006	1.12	0.012	2.40**	-0.026	-6.05***	0.017	3.16***	-0.016	-3.02***	-0.006	-1.92*
EDU	0.001	0.56	0.001	0.40	-0.003	-1.79*	0.000	0.11	-0.000	-0.02	-0.000	-0.38
FCHIEF	0.015	0.26	0.018	0.32	-0.026	-0.57	-0.071	-1.16	0.041	0.68	0.015	0.51
BROS	0.005	0.77	0.000	0.06	-0.005	-0.97	-0.003	-0.43	0.006	0.89	-0.004	-1.24
SALAR	-0.000	-0.01	-0.027	-0.54	0.018	0.49	0.041	0.77	-0.086	-1.65*	0.027	1.13
FARMEE	-0.100	-1.97**	0.017	0.34	0.086	2.30**	-0.078	-1.47	0.036	0.68	0.026	1.06
HOMETOT	-0.003	-0.26	0.008	0.65	-0.002	-0.19	-0.027	-2.01**	0.029	2.21**	-0.002	-0.35
COWI	-0.025	-0.77	0.016	0.49	0.010	0.42	0.056	1.64*	-0.047	-1.38	-0.008	-0.52
WEEK	-0.064	-2.14**	-0.099	-3.34***	0.166	7.35***	-0.036	-1.16	-0.007	-0.22	0.043	2.96***
R-square	0.220		0.260				0.250		0.220			
Log-likelihood					30.960						-8.360	

\*significant at 10% level, \*\*significant at 5% level, \*\*\*significant at 1% level.

Table 3b: Results of estimations with percent time allocated to activity as dependent variable, with sample separated according to peak or off-peak time