APPENDIX A – Application of the methodology of Chapter 3

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Table A-1 allocates competition coefficients to each company. Both sides of the diagonal line in the middle of the table are symmetrical. This is because if one company affects another, the opposite is also a possibility. Competition is fierce within each strategic group, and the more similar the product or service from each company within each group is, the fiercer the competition becomes. In this case, the competition between them and other groups decreases, to the point where some products and services do not have any effect.

Strategic Group	Compet	tition Coefficient
Same strategic group (Similar product)	\rightarrow	0.20
Same strategic group	\rightarrow	0.10
Other group (When the effect can't be ignored)	\rightarrow	0.02 ~ 0.05
Other group (When the effect can be ignored)	\rightarrow	0.00
Other group (When companies cooperate with each other)	\rightarrow	-0.05 ~ -0.10

	а	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i
а		0.10	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.02	0.10	0.00	0.00
b	0.10		0.20	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00
С	0.20	0.20		0.10	0.10	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00
d	0.10	0.20	0.10		0.10	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00
е	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.10		0.20	0.20	-0.05	-0.05
f	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.20		0.20	0.00	0.00
g	0.10	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.20	0.20		-0.10	-0.10
h	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.05	0.00	-0.10		0.20
i	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.05	0.00	-0.10	0.20	

Table A-1

The growth coefficient and management vision was determined as below (*Table A-2*) based on the time passed since entering the market and the results of a survey that was conducted in 2001. For the management vision, suppliers *d*, *e* and *g* were focused on expanding internationally, which is represented here as K_3 . Supplier *d* is a new entrant in the Japanese market, which is reflected by its low starting value (no profits yet), however *K* was increased to reflect their significant performance overseas. Other suppliers were only focused on the domestic market, and so they were given K_2

Table A-2

Supplier	G	rowth Rate	Management Goal (hundred million yen)		
а	r 1	0.20	K 1	15	
b	ľ 2	0.60	K2	20	
с	ľз	0.20	Kз	12	
d	ľ 4	0.70	K4	30	
е	ľ 5	0.50	K5	15	
f	ľ 6	0.40	K6	3	
g	ľ 7	0.60	K 7	15	
h	r 8	0.50	K8	5	
i	r 9	0.50	K9	4	

With this, all the necessary parameters are in place. The differential equation (3.1) can be applied to the nine companies and expanded as in (a-1). While it looks complex, the competition coefficients are simply increased by the number of players ($x_1 \sim x_9$), and are fundamentally the same as (2.1) in *Chapter 2*.

$$dx_{1}/dt = r_{1}x_{1}(1 - (x_{1}+b_{1}x_{2}+c_{1}x_{3}+d_{1}x_{4}+e_{1}x_{5}+f_{1}x_{6}+g_{1}x_{7}+h_{1}x_{8}+i_{1}x_{9})/K_{1})$$

$$dx_{2}/dt = r_{2}x_{2}(1 - (a_{2}x_{1}+x_{2}+c_{2}x_{3}+d_{2}x_{4}+e_{2}x_{5}+f_{2}x_{6}+g_{2}x_{7}+h_{2}x_{8}+i_{2}x_{9})/K_{2})$$

$$dx_{3}/dt = r_{3}x_{3}(1 - (a_{3}x_{1}+b_{3}x_{2}+x_{3}+d_{3}x_{4}+e_{3}x_{5}+f_{3}x_{6}+g_{3}x_{7}+h_{3}x_{8}+i_{3}x_{9})/K_{3})$$

$$dx_{4}/dt = r_{4}x_{4}(1 - (a_{4}x_{1}+b_{4}x_{2}+c_{4}x_{3}+x_{4}+e_{4}x_{5}+f_{4}x_{6}+g_{4}x_{7}+h_{4}x_{8}+i_{4}x_{9})/K_{4})$$

$$dx_{5}/dt = r_{5}x_{5}(1 - (a_{5}x_{1}+b_{5}x_{2}+c_{5}x_{3}+d_{5}x_{4}+x_{5}+f_{5}x_{6}+g_{5}x_{7}+h_{5}x_{8}+i_{5}x_{9})/K_{5})$$

$$dx_{6}/dt = r_{6}x_{6}(1 - (a_{6}x_{1}+b_{6}x_{2}+c_{6}x_{3}+d_{6}x_{4}+e_{6}x_{5}+x_{6}+g_{6}x_{7}+h_{6}x_{8}+i_{6}x_{9})/K_{6})$$

$$dx_{7}/dt = r_{7}x_{7}(1 - (a_{7}x_{1}+b_{7}x_{2}+c_{7}x_{3}+d_{7}x_{4}+e_{7}x_{5}+f_{7}x_{6}+x_{7}+h_{7}x_{8}+i_{7}x_{9})/K_{7})$$

$$dx_{8}/dt = r_{8}x_{8}(1 - (a_{8}x_{1}+b_{8}x_{2}+c_{8}x_{3}+d_{8}x_{4}+e_{8}x_{5}+f_{8}x_{6}+g_{8}x_{7}+x_{8}+i_{8}x_{9})/K_{8})$$

$$dx_{9}/dt = r_{9}x_{9}(1 - (a_{9}x_{1}+b_{9}x_{2}+c_{9}x_{3}+d_{9}x_{4}+e_{9}x_{5}+f_{9}x_{6}+g_{9}x_{7}+h_{9}x_{8}+x_{9})/K_{9})$$

Figure A-1 shows the results of substituting the parameters from Table 14 into the equations (3.2) and calculating the results in Excel. The initial value was set as the sales revenue in 2001, which was between 1 and 9 hundred million yen for all of the companies. However, 10 years later it can be seen that each company had varying results, and the results vary between 0 and 2.5 billion yen. **Table A-3** shows the results of the calculation compared to the results of a survey conducted of actual results in 2011. The calculated trends and the real life trends are more or less the same. , and it seems to be possible to predict the sales of each company 10 years in advance.





Table A-3

2001 Sales (million y	hundred 'en)		2011 Sales (hundred million yen)				
Supplier	Perform ance Value		Calculated value $ earrow T$	Calculate d trend	Performance value ②	Actual trend	Difference ①-②
а	9.0	\rightarrow	10.2	\rightarrow	9.0	\rightarrow	1.2
b	9.0	\rightarrow	12.6	1	12.0	1	0.6
С	7.5	\rightarrow	3.7	\downarrow	5.0	→	-1.3
d	3.0	\rightarrow	24.6	1	25.0	1	-0.4
е	5.2	\rightarrow	8.2	↓	4.0	↓	4.2
f	1.2	\rightarrow	0.0	↓	0.0	\rightarrow	0.0

g	6.7	\rightarrow	13.4	1	11.3	↑	2.1
h	2.0	\rightarrow	5.8	↑	4.5	Ť	1.3
i	1.5	\rightarrow	4.6	↑	3.0	↑	1.6

The results of the survey gave insight into the reasons behind the larger discrepancies between calculated and actual values.

① Supplier **b** was significantly impacted by supplier **d** entering the market, and the discount sale tactics employed by another company that was not part of the survey.

(2) The calculated value for *supplier* **e** was several times higher than the actual value. This was because the supplier was developing sales in South East Asia in 2001, but control of this region was relinquished and the supplier became limited to the Japanese domestic market.

③ For supplier g, the calculated value was about 20% higher than the actual value. This was found to be because they had stopped expanding into overseas markets.

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