

OLG

$$\text{Max } U(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))$$

$$\text{S.T. } (e_0 - c_0(t)) \rho_t = (c_1(t+1) - e_1)$$

FOC:

$$\frac{U_0(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))}{U_1(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))} = \rho_t$$

$$(e_0 - c_0(t)) \left(\frac{U_0(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))}{U_1(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))} \right) = (c_1(t+1) - e_1)$$

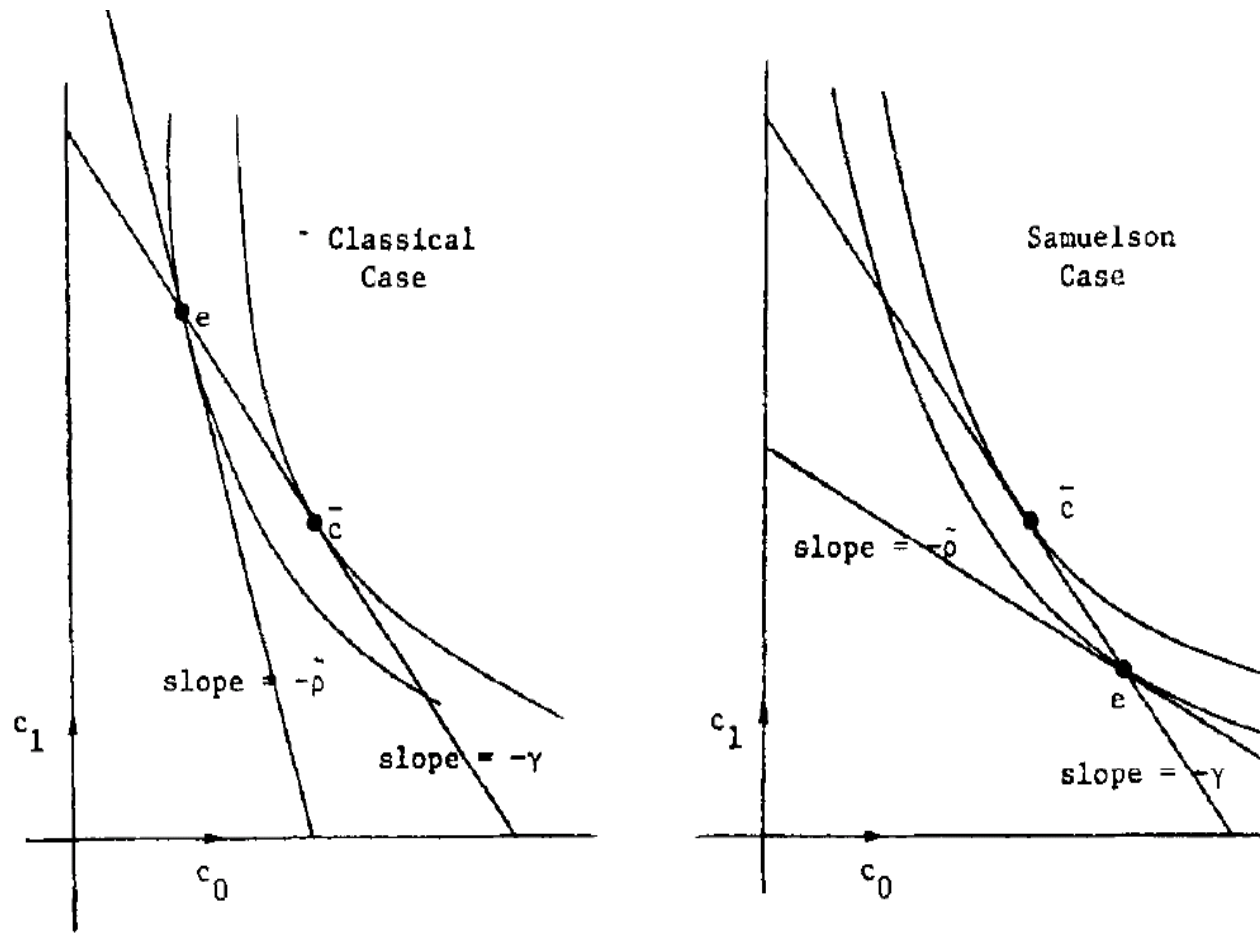
Market Clearing:

$$c_0(t) + c_1(t) = e_0 + e_1$$

$$e_0 - c_0(t) = c_1(t) - e_1$$

Equilibrium:

$$\begin{aligned} & (e_0 - c_0(t)) \left(\frac{U_0(c_0(t), e_0 + (e_1 - c_0(t+1)))}{U_1(c_0(t), e_0 + (e_1 - c_0(t+1)))} \right) \\ &= (e_0 - c_0(t+1)) \end{aligned}$$



Under some assumptions, this is a first order difference equation:

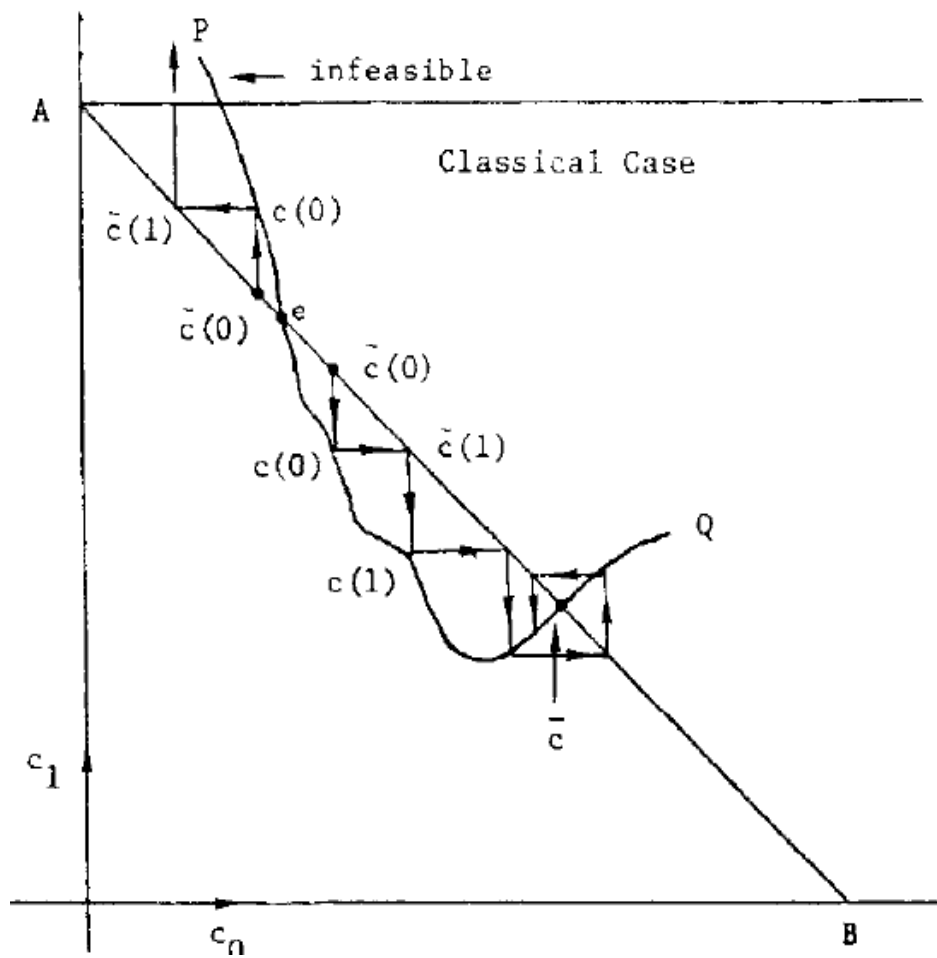
Note: if

$$U(c_0(t), c_1(t+1)) = V(c_0(t)) + W(c_1(t+1)),$$

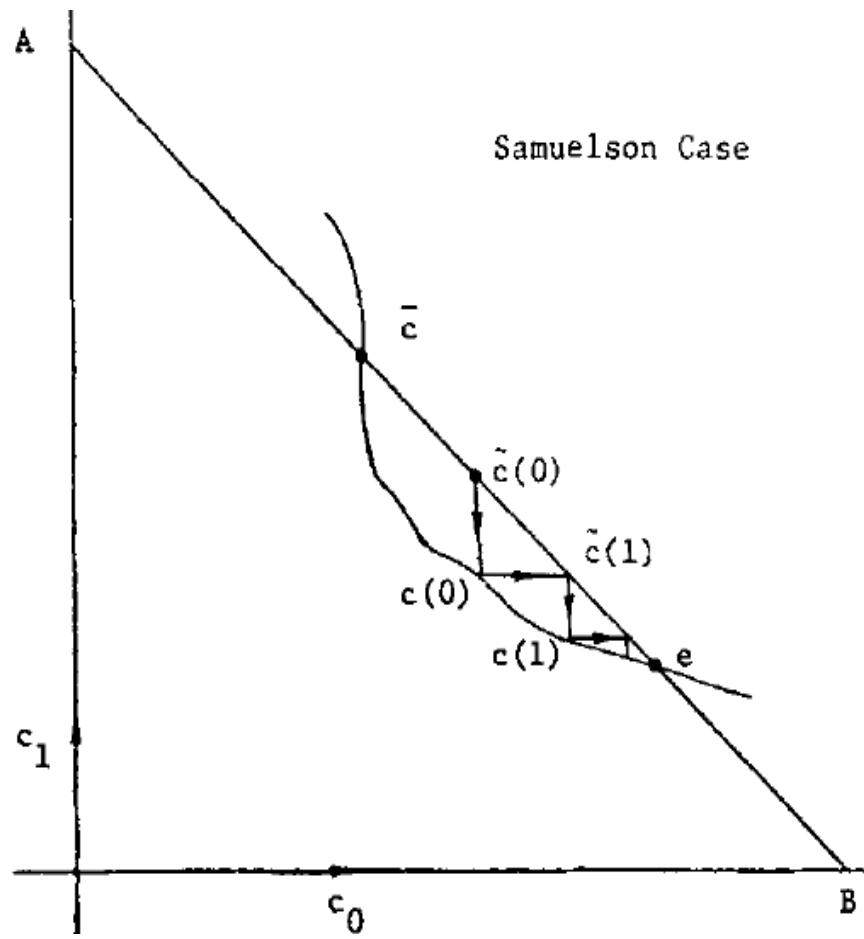
then

$$(c_0(t) - e_0) V'(c_0(t)) = W'(c_1(t+1)) (e_1 - c_1(t+1))$$

If $(c_0(t) - e_0) > 0$ (implying $(e_1 - c_1(t+1)) > 0$) RHS is large for small positive $c_1(t+1)$ and decreasing, so that by the implicit function theorem, $c_1(t+1) = F(c_0(t))$. Similar argument if utility is homothetic, that is U_0/U_1 is a decreasing function of (c_0/c_1) .



Let $\gamma = 1$, that is Population growth is zero.



Steady States:

1. Autarkic, $(e_0 - c_0) = 0$;

2. Trading $\rho = \left(\frac{U_0(c_0, e_0 + e_1 - c_0)}{U_1(c_0, e_0 + e_1 - c_0)} \right) = 1$, golden rule.

TRY

$$1. U = ac_0 - b(c_0)^2 + c_1$$

$$a, b > 0, (e_0, e_1) = (0, w), w > \frac{a}{b}.$$

Try $a = 4, 2, 1.5$

$$2. U = \frac{\lambda(c_0 + b)^{1-a}}{1-a} + c_1,$$

$$a > 0, a \neq 1, \lambda, b > 0;$$

Let $c_0 - e_0 > 0$. Try $\lambda = 51, a = 5.1$

OLG WITH GOVERNMENT

$$\text{Max } V(c_0(t)) + c_1(t+1)$$

S.T.

$$e_0 + e_1 - g = c_0(t) + c_1(t)$$

$$c_1(t) - e_1 = e_0 - c_0(t) - g$$

$$\begin{aligned}(e_0 - c_0(t+1) - g) &= V_0(c_0(t))(e_0 - c_0(t)) \\ x(t+1) &= x(t)V_0(e_0 - x(t)) + g\end{aligned}$$

Does an increase in government expenditures and taxes increase or decrease savings?

Try interpretation with money:

$$m_t = p_t (e_0 - c_0(t))$$

$$r_t m_t + p_{t+1} e_1 = p_{t+1} (c_1(t+1))$$

$$\frac{r_t p_t}{p_{t+1}} (e_0 - c_0(t)) = (c_1(t+1) - e_1)$$

$$\text{Max } U \left(c_0(t), e_1 + \frac{r_t p_t}{p_{t+1}} (e_0 - c_0(t)) \right)$$

$$\frac{r_t p_t}{p_{t+1}} = \frac{U_0(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))}{U_1(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))}$$

$$e_0 - c_0(t+1) = \frac{U_0(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))}{U_1(c_0(t), c_1(t+1))} (e_0 - c_0(t))$$

$$\frac{m_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} = \frac{U_0 \left(e_0 - \frac{m_t}{p_t}, e_1 + \frac{m_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} \right)}{U_1 \left(e_0 - \frac{m_t}{p_t}, e_1 + \frac{m_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} \right)} \left(\frac{m_t}{p_t} \right)$$

	Trading	Autarkic
Samuelsonian	Unstable, PO	Stable, Not PO
Classical	Stable, Not PO	Unstable, Not PO
	$\rho = 1, e_0 \neq c_0$	$\rho \neq 1, e_0 = c_0$

DIAMOND

$$\text{Max } (1 - \beta) \ln c_0 + \beta \ln (w - c_0) (1 + R)$$

FOC

$$\frac{1 - \beta}{c_0} = \frac{\beta}{w - c_0}$$

$$(1 - \beta)(w - c_0) = \beta c_0; \quad (w - c_0) = \beta w$$

$$f(k) = k^\alpha + (1 - \delta)k$$

$$k_{t+1} = \frac{\beta w}{1 + n} = \frac{\beta}{1 + n} (f - f'k) = \frac{\beta}{1 + n} (1 - \alpha) k^\alpha$$

SS (Why only one?)

$$k = \left(\frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)}{1 + n} \right) k^\alpha$$

$$\bar{k} = \left(\frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)}{1 + n} \right)^{\frac{1}{1 - \alpha}}$$

Golden Rule:

$$(1 + n) k_{t+1} = (k_t)^\alpha + (1 - \delta) k_t - c_t$$

$$c_t = (k_t)^\alpha + (1 - \delta) k_t - (1 + n) k_{t+1}$$

$$c' = \alpha k^{\alpha-1} - (\delta + n) = 0$$

$$k^* = (\alpha^{-1} (\delta + n))^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}$$

Note possible inefficiency ($\alpha k^{\alpha-1}$ does not contain δ):

$$\alpha k^{\alpha-1} = \alpha \left(\frac{(1+n)}{\beta(1-\alpha)} \right) \geq (\delta+n)$$

$$\bar{k} = \left(\frac{\beta(1-\alpha)}{1+n} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \geq (\alpha^{-1}(\delta+n))^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}} = k^*$$

Stability of SS

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dk_{t+1}}{dk_t} &= \frac{\alpha\beta(1-\alpha)}{1+n} k^{\alpha-1} \\ &= \alpha \left(\frac{\beta(1-\alpha)}{1+n} \right) \left(\frac{\beta(1-\alpha)}{1+n} \right)^{-1} = \alpha < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Simple OLG:

$$k_{t+1} = S(r(k_t), w(k_t))$$

$$\frac{dk_{t+1}}{dk_t} = \frac{1 - s_r r'}{w'} > 0 \quad s_r, w' > 0, r' < 0$$

OLG with endogenous labor, consumption in second period:

$$\text{Max } U(w_t L_t R_{t+1}) - V(L_t)$$

FOC and Dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned} U'(w(k_t, L_t), L_t R(k_{t+1}, L_{t+1})) w(k_t, L_t) R(k_{t+1}, L_{t+1}) \\ = V'(L_t) \end{aligned}$$

$$k_{t+1} = w(k_t, L_t) L_t$$

These are two difference equations in (k_t, L_t) .

Simplify by assuming log utility:

$$\text{Max} (1 - \beta)\ln(1 - L_t) + \beta\ln(L_t w_t R_t)$$

FOC

$$\frac{1 - \beta}{1 - L_t} = \frac{\beta}{L_t}; \quad L_t = \beta$$

Production (note change in exponents of Prod. fn): Golden Rule

$$\text{Max}_k \quad c(k) = k^{1-\alpha}\beta^\alpha + (1 - \delta)k - k$$

$$\delta = (1 - \alpha)k^{-\alpha}\beta^\alpha$$

$$k^* = \delta^{-\frac{1}{\alpha}} (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta$$

Dynamics

$$k_{t+1} = w_t L_t = \alpha (k_t)^{1-\alpha} \beta^\alpha$$

Steady State

$$\bar{k} = (\alpha \beta^\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta$$

Stability

$$\frac{dk_{t+1}}{dk_t} = \alpha (1 - \alpha) (\bar{k})^{-\alpha} \beta^\alpha = 1 - \alpha < 1$$

Note: With log utility, dimension is reduced by 1.

OLG with Money

$$\text{Max } U(c_{t+1}) - V(L_t)$$

S.T.

$$k_{t+1} + M_{t+1}Q_t = w_t L_t$$

$$c_{t+1} = R_{t+1}k_{t+1} + M_{t+1}Q_{t+1}$$

FOC and dynamics

$$R_{t+1}w_t U'(R_{t+1}w_t L_t) = V'(L_t)$$

$$k_{t+1} + M_{t+1}Q_t = w_t L_t$$

$$Q_{t+1} = R_{t+1}Q_t$$

These are three difference equations in (L, k, Q)

Note that there are two steady states, with $Q = 0$ and with $Q \neq 0$, $R = 1$ (golden rule).

Simplify with Log Utility and $F = k^{1-\alpha}\beta^\alpha + (1 - \delta)k$. Then $L = \beta$.

Dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}k_{t+1} &= \alpha (k_t)^{1-\alpha} \beta^\alpha - M_{t+1}Q_t \\Q_{t+1} &= R_{t+1}Q_t\end{aligned}$$

At golden rule steady state:

$$\begin{aligned}R(\hat{k}, \beta) &= (1 - \alpha) (\hat{k})^{-\alpha} \beta^\alpha = 1 \\ \hat{k} &= (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta\end{aligned}$$

Note that $MQ \geq 0$ since:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{k} &= \alpha (\hat{k})^{1-\alpha} \beta^\alpha - MQ \\ \alpha (\hat{k})^{1-\alpha} \beta^\alpha &= \alpha \left((1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta \right)^{1-\alpha} \beta^\alpha \\ &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} \right) (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta \geq (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \beta = \hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

0.1 Stationary Sunspot Eq. In a Finance Constrained Economy, JET 1986 (Hand to Mouth Workers?)

(Hand to Mouth?)Workers:

$$Max_{\{c_t\}} \sum_1^{\infty} \gamma^{t-1} u(c_t^w) - \gamma^t v(n_t)$$

$$u' + cu''(c) > 0, v(0) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_t (c_t^w + (k_t^w - dk_{t-1}^w)) &\leq M_t^w + r_t k_{t-1}^w \\ p_t (c_t^w + (k_t^w - dk_{t-1}^w)) + M_{t+1}^w &\leq M_t^w + r_t k_{t-1}^w + w_t n_t \\ u(c_t^w) = u_t^w &\left(\frac{M_t^w + r_t k_{t-1}^w + w_t n_t - M_{t+1}^w - p_t (k_t^w - dk_{t-1}^w)}{p_t} \right) \\ -u'(c_t^w) \frac{1}{p_t} + \gamma E u'(c_{t+1}^w) \frac{1}{p_{t+1}} &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

First constraint is a finance constraint stating that a given period's expenditures must be financed either out of money held at the **beginning** of the period, or by borrowing against the value of capital held then. (Both the rents $r_t k_{t-1}^w$ and wages $w_t n_t$, are received only at the **end of period** t but the former can be borrowed against by pledging the capital as collateral, while future wage payments cannot be borrowed against, because of moral hazard problems.) The depreciation factor is d , where a fraction $1 - d$ of capital depreciates. Second constraint is the usual budget constraint.

FOC with respect to k_{t+1} . Look at equilibria such that:

$$u'(c_t^w) > \gamma_t E \left[u'(c_{t+1}^w) \left(\frac{r_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} + d \right) \right]$$

Also return to holding money $\frac{p_t}{p_{t+1}}$ is less than return capital $\frac{r_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} + d$

$$r_{t+1} + dp_{t+1} > p_t, \quad \frac{r_{t+1}}{p_{t+1}} + d > \frac{p_t}{p_{t+1}}$$

so workers set $k_t^w = 0$ since current marginal utility of forgoing a unit of current consumption exceeds discounted expected utility obtained by investing it (they can't borrow to consume more today), even though the net return on investing capital is positive: $\frac{r_{t+1} + dp_{t+1}}{p_t} > 1$. Then they maximize a static labor market problem

$$Max_{n_t} E [u(c_{t+1}) - v(n_t)] \quad S.T. \quad p_{t+1} c_{t+1} = w_t n_t$$

to get (since workers set $k_t^w = 0$, $c_{t+1} = \frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} = \frac{M_{t+1}^w}{p_{t+1}}$, $u'(c_{t+1}) \frac{w_t}{p_{t+1}} = v'(n_t)$):

$$n_t v'(n_t) = V(n_t) = E \left(u'(c_{t+1}) \frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} \right) = E [c_{t+1} u'(c_{t+1})] = E \left[U \left(\frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} \right) \right]$$

where (bad notation!) $U(c) = cu'(c)$. (Like olg with a month; workers consume their wage bill $\frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} = \frac{M_{t+1}}{P_{t+1}}$!)

Capitalists

$$\sum_1^{\infty} \beta^{t-1} \ln c_t^c$$

ST

$$p_t (c_t^c + (k_t^c - dk_{t-1}^c)) + M_{t+1}^c \leq M_t^c + r_t k_{t-1}^c$$

Solution:

$$c_t^c = (1 - \beta) \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right) k_{t-1}$$

$$k_t = \beta \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right) k_{t-1}$$

with

$$\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d > bd, \quad b = \beta^{-1},$$

$$\text{so } k_t = \beta \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right) k_{t-1} > \beta (\beta^{-1} d) k_{t-1} = dk_{t-1}$$

so that $k_t > dk_{t-1}$, all capital from last period is held and then added to—no decumulation. Thus Capitalists hold no money if $\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d > bd$.

Fixed Coeff. production: Must use m units of labor with each unit of capital to produce $a > b - d$ units of new output plus d units of old undepreciated capital. (Needed so steady state capital > 0).

EQ:

$$w_t n_t = M_{t+1}^w = M : \text{ Money Market}$$

$$n_t = m k_{t-1} \quad \text{Labor Market}$$

Since $p_t c_t^w = M_t^w = w_{t-1} n_{t-1}$ and $c_t^c = (1 - \beta) \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right) k_{t-1} = (1 - \beta) \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right) \frac{k_t}{\beta \left(\frac{r_t}{p_t} + d \right)} = (b - 1) k_t$,

$$c_t^w + c_t^c + k_t = \frac{M}{p_t} + b k_t = (a + d) k_{t-1} = \text{output}$$

$$\frac{M}{p_t} = (a + d) k_{t-1} - b k_t = c_t^w$$

Using these in $V(n_t) = E \left[U \left(\frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} \right) \right]$ we obtain

$$V(n_t) = E \left[U \left(\frac{w_t n_t}{p_{t+1}} \right) \right] = E [U(c_{t+1})]$$

$$V(m k_{t-1}) = E_t (U((a + d) k_t - b k_{t+1}))$$

$$V(mk_{t-1}) = E_t(U((a+d)k_t - bk_{t+1}))$$

Difference eq. that can produce indeterminacy and sunspots. See Reichlin (JET 1986, set $b = 1$), Benhabib and Laroque (JET 1988) for more general setups. Let the elasticity of labor supply $\varepsilon = \left(\frac{w}{n}\right) \left(\frac{\partial n}{\partial w}\right) = \left[\frac{(n)V'}{cU'} - 1\right]^{-1}$. The unique steady state k^* is stable if:

$$\varepsilon > \frac{a+d-b}{2b-a-d}$$

giving indeterminacy: for initial k_0 locally all trajectories of $\{k\}_{t=1}^{\infty}$ converge to k^* .

If we assign the pure rates the values $\rho = 0.04/year$, $g = 0.33/year$ (reciprocal of the U.S. capital/output ratio), and $\delta = 0.10/year$, then for $\Delta = 3months$, indeterminacy requires $\varepsilon > 0.05$. For smaller values of Δ , the required elasticity is even smaller.

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Utility

$$\text{Max}_{c(\cdot)} \int_0^T \alpha(t) g(c(t)) dt$$

Wealth is accumulated savings, on which interest is earned:

$$S(t) = \int_0^t e^{\int_\tau^t j(x) dx} (m(\tau) - c(\tau)) d\tau$$

where $m(\tau)$ is earnings, $c(\tau)$ is consumption, and $j(\tau)$ is the interest rate and $S(T) \geq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S} &= j(t) \int_0^t e^{\int_\tau^t j(x) dx} (m(\tau) - c(\tau)) d\tau + m(t) - c(t) \\ &= j(t) S(t) + m(t) - c(t) \\ c(t) &= j(t) S(t) + m(t) - \dot{S}(t) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\text{Max}_{S(\cdot)} \int_0^T \alpha(t) g [j(t) S(t) + m(t) - \dot{S}(t)] dt$$

ST

$$\int_0^T e^{\int_\tau^t j(x) dx} (m(\tau) - c(\tau)) d\tau \geq 0$$

$$\text{Max}_{S(\cdot)} \int_0^T \alpha(t) g [j(t) S(t) + m(t) - \dot{S}(t)]$$

Use calculus of variations:

$$F(\dot{S}, S, t) = \alpha(t) g [j(t) S(t) + m(t) - \dot{S}(t)]$$

$$F_S = \alpha g' j = -\dot{\alpha} g' - \alpha g'' \dot{c} = \dot{F}_{\dot{S}}$$

$$\dot{c} = -\frac{\dot{\alpha} g'}{\alpha g''} - \frac{g'}{g''} j = \frac{g'}{g''} \left(-j - \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha} \right)$$

$$\frac{\dot{c}}{c} = \left(\frac{g'}{g'' c} \right) \left(-j - \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha} \right)$$

Note: if $\alpha = e^{-\delta t}$, $\frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha} = -\delta$.

Random Death

$$T \in [0, \bar{T}] ; \text{ Density : } \pi(t) \geq 0$$

$$\int_0^{\bar{T}} \pi(t) dt = 1$$

Define

$$\Omega(t) = \int_t^{\bar{T}} \pi(t) dt ; \quad \pi_t(\tau) = \frac{\pi(\tau)}{\Omega(t)}$$

$\pi_t(\tau)$ is the conditional density of $\pi(\tau)$ given that death must occur in $[t, \bar{T}]$. So $\Omega(t)$ is the probability that death occurs after t , or the probability of being alive at t .

Utility:

$$EV = \int_0^{\bar{T}} \pi(t) \int_0^t \alpha(t) g(c(t)) d\tau dt$$

Utility mass up to t multiplied by probability of being alive until t (dying at t). Let $\alpha(t) g(c(t)) = f(t)$. Let

$$\int_0^t f(s) = F(t) - F(0)$$

Then

$$EV = \int_0^T \pi(t) (F(t) - F(0)) dt$$

Now integrate by parts ($u = (F(t) - F(0))$, $dv = \pi(t)$)

$$(1 - \Omega(t)) (F(t) - F(0)) \Big|_0^{\bar{T}} - \int_0^T (1 - \Omega(t)) f(t) dt$$

$$= F(\bar{T}) - F(0) - \int_0^{\bar{T}} f(t) dt + \int_0^T \Omega(t) f(t) dt$$

$$= F(\bar{T}) - F(0) - F(\bar{T}) + F(0) + \int_0^T \Omega(t) f(t) dt$$

So

$$EV = \int_0^T \Omega(t) \alpha(t) g(c(t)) dt$$

So

$$F(\dot{S}, S, t) = \Omega(t) \alpha(t) g(c(t))$$

$$F_S = \Omega(t) \alpha g' j = -\dot{\Omega}(t) \alpha(t) g' - \Omega(t) \dot{\alpha} g' - \Omega$$

$$\dot{c} = \frac{-g'}{g''} \left(j + \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha} + \frac{\dot{\Omega}(t)}{\Omega(t)} \right)$$

But

$$\Omega(t) = \int_t^{\bar{T}} \pi(t) dt; \quad \dot{\Omega}(t) = -\pi(t)$$

$$\frac{\dot{\Omega}(t)}{\Omega(t)} = \frac{-\pi(t)}{\Omega(t)} - \pi_t(t)$$

So

$$\dot{c} = \frac{-g'}{g''} \left(j + \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha} - \pi_t(t) \right)$$

So the discount rate can be interpreted as $(\pi_t(t) - \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha})$: the standard discount rate $(-\frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha})$ plus an adjustment for the possibility of death (hazard rate) at t .