

Notes on Asset Prices in the production economy-Qtheory

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- A representative household with utility function

$$E_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t [\log(c_t) - A_n \frac{n_t^{1+\gamma}}{1+\gamma}] \quad (1)$$

- The constraint:

$$c_t + V_t s_{t+1} + \frac{b_{t+1}}{R_{ft}} = (V_t + D_t) s_t + w_t n_t + b_t \quad (2)$$

- Notation: where c_t is consumption, w_t the really wage , n_t working hours , V_t the value of a standard share of the firm after dividend payment, and D_t is the dividend per share. The first order condition with respect to n_t and s_{t+1}, b_{t+1} are

- The foc

$$\frac{1}{c_t} = \lambda_t \quad (3)$$

$$\lambda_t w_t = A_n n_t^\gamma \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{1}{R_{ft}} \lambda_t = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} \quad (5)$$

$$V_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [V_{t+1} + D_{t+1}] \quad (6)$$

- Transversality conditions:

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} E_t \beta^j \lambda_{t+j} V_{t+j} s_{t+j+1} = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} E_t \beta^j \lambda_{t+j} \frac{b_{t+j+1}}{R_{ft+j}} = 0 \quad (8)$$

- Iterating forward we obtain

$$V_t = E_t \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} + \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} E_t \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} V_{t+j} \quad (9)$$

- In equilibrium $s_{t+1} = 1$, $b_{t+1} = 0$, so we have

$$V_t = E_t \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} \quad (10)$$

- the value of each share before the dividend payment is

$$V_t + D_t = E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} \quad (11)$$

The firms

- The representative firm's problem is maximize the expected discounted dividend or $(V_t + D_t)$

$$V_t + D_t = \max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} \quad (12)$$

- The firm hires labor n_t from the household, accumulate capital, decides dividend payment with the following flow of fund constraint

$$D_t + k_{t+1} - (1 - \delta)k_t = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} - w_t n_t \quad (13)$$

- Set the bellman equation

$$W_t(k_t, A_t) = \max D_t + \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} W_{t+1}(k_{t+1}, A_{t+1}) \quad (14)$$

- The first order condition with respect to n_t , are

$$w_t n_t = (1 - \alpha) y_t \quad (15)$$

- and

$$1 = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \frac{\partial W_{t+1}(k_{t+1}, A_{t+1})}{\partial k_{t+1}} \quad (16)$$

- Envelop theory:

$$\frac{\partial W_t(k_t, A_t)}{\partial k_t} = \alpha y_t / k_t + (1 - \delta) \quad (17)$$

- so we have

$$\lambda_t = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [\alpha y_{t+1} / k_{t+1} + (1 - \delta)] \quad (18)$$

The firms' value after dividend payment

- We have obtained

$$\lambda_t = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [\alpha y_{t+1} / k_{t+1} + (1 - \delta)] \quad (19)$$

- Multiply k_{t+1} to both side

$$\lambda_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [\alpha y_{t+1} + (1 - \delta) k_{t+1}] \quad (20)$$

- Use the law of capital

$$k_{t+2} = (1 - \delta) k_{t+1} + I_t \quad (21)$$

- we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_t k_{t+1} &= \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [\alpha y_{t+1} - I_{t+1} + k_{t+2}] \\ &= \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [D_{t+1} + k_{t+2}] \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

The firms' value after dividend payment

- This implies

$$k_{t+1} = E_t \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} = V_t \quad (23)$$

- Hence the value of firm before dividend is just k_{t+1}

$$k_{t+1} + D_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \delta)k_t \quad (24)$$

- Since

$$w_t = (1 - \alpha)A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{-\alpha} \rightarrow n_t = \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} k_t \quad (25)$$

- so we have

$$y_t = A_t \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} k_t \quad (26)$$

Then we have $\alpha y_t + (1 - \delta)k_t$ is proportional to firm's capital stock.

Equilibrium Condition

Equilibrium is defined in the usual way. Namely given the prices, household maximizes his utility and firm maximizes its objective function.

- The budget constraint:

$$c_t = D_t + w_t n_t = y_t - (k_{t+1} - (1 - \delta)k_t) - w_t n_t + w_t n_t \quad (27)$$

- or we have

$$c_t + k_{t+1} = y_t + (1 - \delta)k_t \quad (28)$$

- The asset value

$$\frac{1}{c_t} = \beta E_t \frac{1}{c_{t+1}} [\alpha y_{t+1} / k_{t+1} + (1 - \delta)] \quad (29)$$

- and the first order condition with labor

$$\frac{1}{c_t} w_t = A_n n_t^\gamma \quad (30)$$

- The production function

$$y_t = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} \quad (31)$$

Equilibrium Condition

Verify the model have the same equilibrium as the following planner's problem:

- Utility function

$$E_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t [\log(c_t) - A_n \frac{n_t^{1+\gamma}}{1+\gamma}] \quad (32)$$

- Constraint:

$$c_t + k_{t+1} = y_t + (1 - \delta)k_t \quad (33)$$

- production

$$y_t = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} \quad (34)$$

Investment adjustment cost and the Q-theory

The household's problem is the same as before. The firm's problem is changed. We assume the firm need to pay investment adjustment cost.

- More specifically a firm needs to pay $I_t[1 + \varphi(\frac{I_t}{k_t})]$ to increase capital by I_t units. The firm's objective function is still to maximize the max

$$\max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} \Leftrightarrow \max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \lambda_{t+j} D_{t+j} \quad (35)$$

- The cash-flow of the firm changes to

$$D_t + I_t[1 + \varphi(\frac{I_t}{k_t})] = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} - w_t n_t \quad (\lambda)$$

- And capital law of motion

$$k_{t+1} = (1 - \delta)k_t + I_t \quad (\mu)$$

Investment adjustment cost and the Q-theory

- The first order condition with respect to l_t , k_{t+1} yields

$$\lambda_t \left[1 + \varphi\left(\frac{l_t}{k_t}\right) + \frac{l_t}{k_t} \varphi'\left(\frac{l_t}{k_t}\right) \right] = \mu_t \quad (36)$$

- and

$$\mu_t = \beta E_t \left\{ (1 - \delta) \mu_{t+1} + \lambda_{t+1} \left[\frac{\alpha y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}^2} \varphi'\left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \right] \right\} \quad (37)$$

- Define a variable $q_t = \frac{\mu_t}{\lambda_t}$, the above two equations can be expressed as

$$1 + \varphi\left(\frac{l_t}{k_t}\right) + \frac{l_t}{k_t} \varphi'\left(\frac{l_t}{k_t}\right) = \frac{\mu_t}{\lambda_t} = q_t \quad (38)$$

- This is the marginal value of installed capital this period, which evolves according

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[(1 - \delta) q_{t+1} + \frac{\alpha y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}^2} \varphi'\left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \right] \quad (39)$$

An example

- To get a better understanding of q_t , take a special form of $\varphi\left(\frac{l_t}{k_t}\right) = b\frac{l_t}{k_t}$, we then have

$$2b\frac{l_t}{k_t} = q_t - 1 \quad (40)$$

- or

$$l_t = \frac{(q_t - 1)}{2b} k_t \quad (41)$$

we then have $l_t > 0$ if and only if $q_t > 1$.

- To increase one unit of installed capital, the firm needs to sacrifice $1 + 2b\frac{l_t}{k_t}$, so this is the marginal cost of installed capital. What is the gain? The cost-benefit analysis implies the marginal gain must equal to the marginal cost. So the gain would be q_t .

The value of firm in the example

- Using the equation for q_t , and the expression for I_t , we have

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[(1 - \delta) q_{t+1} + \frac{\alpha y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + \frac{I_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}^2} \varphi' \left(\frac{I_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \right] \quad (42)$$

- Multiply both sides by k_{t+1} and recall $\varphi' \left(\frac{I_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) = b$

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[(1 - \delta) q_{t+1} k_{t+1} + \alpha y_{t+1} + \frac{I_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} b \right] \quad (43)$$

- to get obtain the firm value, recall

$$(1 - \delta) k_{t+1} = k_{t+2} - I_{t+1} \quad (44)$$

The value of firm in the example

- to get obtain the firm value, recall

$$(1 - \delta)k_{t+1} = k_{t+2} - I_{t+1} \quad (45)$$

- and

$$q_t = 2b \frac{I_t}{k_t} + 1 \quad (46)$$

- so we have Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \delta)q_{t+1}k_{t+1} &= q_{t+1}k_{t+2} - q_{t+1}I_{t+1} \\ &= q_{t+1}k_{t+2} - \left(2b \frac{I_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + 1\right)I_{t+1} \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

- And

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[(1 - \delta)q_{t+1}k_{t+1} + \alpha y_{t+1} + \frac{I_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} b \right]$$

The value of firm in the example

- We now have

$$\begin{aligned}q_t k_{t+1} &= \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[(1 - \delta) q_{t+1} k_{t+1} + \alpha y_{t+1} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} b \right] \\ &= \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[q_{t+1} k_{t+2} + \alpha y_{t+1} - l_{t+1} \left(1 + b \frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \right] \\ &= \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [q_{t+1} k_{t+2} + D_{t+1}] \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

- so we have

$$q_t k_{t+1} + D_t = V_t + D_t \quad (49)$$

- Consider that the production function is

$$y_t = A_t F(k_t, n_t) \quad (50)$$

- where $F(k_t, n_t)$ exhibits constant return to scale. Given k_t , the decision for n_t is static.
- By CRS we can write

$$\max A_t F(k_t, n_t) - w_t n_t = \max_{\tilde{n}_t} [A_t F(1, \tilde{n}_t) - w_t \tilde{n}_t] k_t \quad (51)$$

where $\tilde{n}_t = \frac{n_t}{k_t}$. the above equation yields

$$A_t F_2(1, \tilde{n}_t) = w_t \quad (52)$$

- This implies that $A_t F(1, \tilde{n}_t) - w_t \tilde{n}_t$ would be a function of w_t and A_t , which does not depend on capital stock. We denote $A_t F(1, \tilde{n}_t) - w_t \tilde{n}_t = R_t$

- Notice by

$$A_t F_2(1, \tilde{n}_t) = w_t \quad (53)$$

- the labor-capital ratio does not depend on firm's capital, k_t , it only depends on wage and technology level.
- Hence

$$R_t = A_t F(1, \tilde{n}_t) - w_t \tilde{n}_t \quad (54)$$

is independent of firm's capital stock too.

- We now prove

$$R_t = AF'(K_t, N_t) \quad (55)$$

where K_t and N_t is the aggregate capital and labor. Notice in equilibrium $k_t = K_t, n_t = N_t$.

- first by CRS

$$A_t F\left(1, \frac{n_t}{k_t}\right) k_t = A_t F(k_t, n_t) \quad (56)$$

- so we have

$$w_t = A_t F_2\left(1, \frac{n_t}{k_t}\right) = A_t F_2(k_t, n_t) = A_t F_2(K_t, N_t) \quad (57)$$

- Take derivative with respect to k_t we have

$$A_t F\left(1, \frac{n_t}{k_t}\right) - A_t F_2\left(1, \frac{n_t}{k_t}\right) \frac{n_t}{k_t} = A_t F_1(k_t, n_t) = A_t F_1(K_t, N_t) \quad (58)$$

- or

$$R_t = A_t F\left(1, \tilde{n}_t\right) - A_t F_2\left(1, \tilde{n}_t\right) \tilde{n}_t = A_t F\left(1, \tilde{n}_t\right) - w_t \tilde{n}_t = A_t F_1(K_t, N_t) \quad (59)$$

- with R_t , we have

$$d_t + I_t \left[1 + \varphi \left(\frac{I_t}{k_t} \right) \right] = R_t k_t \quad (60)$$

The firm objective is

$$\begin{aligned} P_t &= \max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_{t+j} = D_t + \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} P_{t+1} \\ &= \max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} \left[R_t k_t - I_t \left[1 + \varphi \left(\frac{I_t}{k_t} \right) \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

s.t

$$k_{t+1} = (1 - \delta) k_t + I_t \quad (61)$$

- define the investment rate as

$$I_t = i_t * k_t \quad (62)$$

- And guessing

$$E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} \left[R_t k_t - I_t \left[1 + \varphi \left(\frac{I_t}{k_t} \right) \right] \right] = p_t k_t \quad (63)$$

- by definition we then must have

$$p_t k_t = \max \left[R_t k_t - I_t \left[1 + \varphi \left(\frac{I_t}{k_t} \right) \right] + \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} k_{t+1} \right] \quad (64)$$

$$= \max \left[R_t k_t - I_t \left[1 + \varphi \left(\frac{I_t}{k_t} \right) \right] + \beta (1 - \delta + i_t) k_t E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} \right] \quad (65)$$

- or we have

$$p_t = \max[R_t - i_t[1 + \varphi(i_t)] + \beta(1 - \delta + i_t)E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1}] \quad (66)$$

- Define $E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} = q_t$, so we have

$$\varphi'(i_t)i_t + \varphi(i_t) = [q_t - 1] \quad (67)$$

- And value of firm after dividend is

$$\beta(1 - \delta + i_t)k_t E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} = q_t k_{t+1} \quad (68)$$

- By definition we have

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} \quad (69)$$

- Now we need to calculate p_t , by definition we have

$$p_t = R_t - i_t[1 + \varphi(i_t)] + i_t q_t + (1 - \delta)q_t \quad (70)$$

- since $R_t = A_t F_1(k_t, n_t)$ and $q_t = \varphi'(i_t)i_t + \varphi(i_t) + 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_t &= R_t + (1 - \delta)q_t - i_t[1 + \varphi(i_t)] + i_t q_t \\ &= R_t + (1 - \delta)q_t - i_t[1 + \varphi(i_t)] + [1 + \varphi'(i_t)i_t + \varphi(i_t)] i_t \\ &= R_t + (1 - \delta)q_t + \varphi'(i_t)i_t^2 \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

- Hence we have

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left[A_{t+1} F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1}) + (1 - \delta)q_{t+1} + \varphi'\left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}^2} \right] \quad (72)$$

- multiply both sides by k_{t+1} we have

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [(1 - \delta) q_{t+1} k_{t+1} + A_{t+1} F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1}) k_{t+1} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} \varphi'(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}})] \quad (73)$$

- using

$$q_{t+1} = 1 + \varphi'(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}) \frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + \varphi(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}) \quad (74)$$

and

$$(1 - \delta) k_{t+1} = k_{t+2} - l_{t+1} \quad (75)$$

- We can rewrite

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 - \delta)q_{t+1}k_{t+1} + A_{t+1}F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1})k_{t+1} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} \varphi' \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \quad (76) \\
 = & q_{t+1}k_{t+2} - q_{t+1}l_t + A_{t+1}F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1})k_{t+1} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} \varphi' \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- recall

$$q_{t+1} = 1 + \varphi' \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + \varphi \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \quad (77)$$

- so

$$\begin{aligned}
 & q_{t+1}k_{t+2} - q_{t+1}l_t + A_{t+1}F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1})k_{t+1} + \frac{l_{t+1}^2}{k_{t+1}} \varphi' \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) \quad (78) \\
 = & q_{t+1}k_{t+2} - l_{t+1} - \varphi \left(\frac{l_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right) l_{t+1} + A_{t+1}F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1})k_{t+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Recall

$$A_{t+1}F_1(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1})k_{t+1} = A_t F(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1}) - w_{t+1}n_{t+1} \quad (79)$$

$$D_{t+1} = A_t F(k_{t+1}, n_{t+1}) - w_{t+1}n_{t+1} - I_{t+1} - \varphi\left(\frac{I_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right)I_{t+1} \quad (80)$$

- so we have

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [q_{t+1} k_{t+2} + D_{t+1}] \quad (81)$$

we established the proof.

- The firm's objective function is

$$\max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_t \quad (82)$$

- the dividend is

$$D_t = A_t F(k_t, n_t) - w_t n_t - I_t \quad (83)$$

- substitute the optimal labor choice as before

$$\max_{n_t} A_t F(k_t, n_t) - w_t n_t = R_t k_t \quad (84)$$

- And guessing the value function for the firm is linear

$$\max E_t \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j \frac{\lambda_{t+j}}{\lambda_t} D_t = p_t k_t \quad (85)$$

- by definition we have

$$p_t k_t = \max [R_t k_t - I_t + \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} k_{t+1}] \quad (86)$$

$$= \max [R_t k_t - I_t + \beta (1 - \delta + \varphi(\frac{I_t}{k_t})) k_t E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1}] \quad (87)$$

different form of capital adjustment cost

- as before define $\frac{I_t}{k_t} = i_t$, we have

$$p_t k_t = \max[R_t k_t - I_t + \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} k_{t+1}] \quad (88)$$

$$= k_t \max_{i_t} [R_t - i_t + \beta(1 - \delta + \varphi(i_t)) E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1}] \quad (89)$$

- define $\beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} p_{t+1} = q_t$. We have

$$1 = q_t \varphi'(i_t) \quad (90)$$

- hence we have

$$p_t = R_t - i_t + q_t(1 - \delta + \varphi(i_t)) \quad (91)$$

different form of capital adjustment cost

- To obtain q_t , we have

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [R_{t+1} - i_{t+1} + q_{t+1}(1 - \delta + \varphi(i_{t+1}))] \quad (92)$$

- or

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [R_{t+1} k_{t+1} - I_{t+1} + q_{t+1}(1 - \delta + \varphi(\frac{I_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}})) k_{t+1}] \quad (93)$$

- or we have

$$q_t k_{t+1} = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [D_{t+1} + q_{t+1} k_{t+2}] \quad (94)$$

- so we have

$$V_t = q_t k_{t+1} \quad (95)$$

Model setup-Bellman Equation

Now consider the centralized version with a special utility:

$$u_t = \log(c_t - hc_{t-1}) - a_L n_t$$

- There are $c_t, k_t, A_t,$, three state variables
- There are two constraints

$$c_t + i_t = y_t \quad (96)$$

$$k_{t+1} = (1 - \delta)k_t + \varphi\left(\frac{i_t}{k_t}\right)k_t \quad (97)$$

- Denote λ_t, χ_t are the Lagrangian multipliers of the above two constraints. Denote $q_t = \frac{\chi_t}{\lambda_t}$, we assume

$$y_t = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha}$$

Model setup-Bellman Equation

- So we set up the Bellman Equations as

$$\begin{aligned} V(c_{t-1}, k_t, A_t) = & \max_{c_t, n_t, i_t, k_{t+1}} \left\{ \frac{(c_t - hc_{t-1})^{1-\gamma}}{1-\gamma} - a_L n_t \right. & (98) \\ & + \beta E_t V(c_t, k_{t+1}, A_{t+1}) \\ & + \lambda_t [A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} - c_t - i_t] \\ & \left. + \lambda_t q_t [(1-\delta)k_t + \varphi(\frac{i_t}{k_t})k_t - k_{t+1}] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- first order condition with respect to c_t :

$$(c_t - hc_{t-1})^{-\gamma} + \beta E_t V'_c(c_t, k_{t+1}, A_{t+1}) = \lambda_t \quad (99)$$

- first order condition with respect to n_t :

$$\lambda_t \frac{(1 - \alpha)y_t}{n_t} = a_L \quad (100)$$

- first order condition with respect to i_t :

$$\lambda_t = \lambda_t q_t \varphi' \left(\frac{i_t}{k_t} \right) \quad (101)$$

- first order condition with respect to k_{t+1} :

$$\lambda_t q_t = \beta E_t V'_k(c_t, k_{t+1}, A_{t+1}) \quad (102)$$

- Envelop Theory

$$V'_c(c_{t-1}, k_t, A_t) = -h(c_t - hc_{t-1})^{-\gamma} \quad (103)$$

$$V'_k(c_{t-1}, k_t, A_t) = \lambda_t \frac{\alpha y_t}{k_t} + \lambda_t q_t [(1 - \delta) + \varphi(\frac{i_t}{k_t}) - \varphi'(\frac{i_t}{k_t}) \frac{i_t}{k_t}] \quad (104)$$

- So the first order conditions are summarized by

$$\lambda_t = (c_t - hc_{t-1})^{-\gamma} - \beta h E_t (c_{t+1} - hc_t)^{-\gamma} \quad (105)$$

$$\lambda_t \frac{(1-\alpha)y_t}{n_t} = a_L \quad (106)$$

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left\{ \frac{\alpha y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + q_{t+1} \left[(1-\delta) + \varphi\left(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) - \varphi'\left(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right] \right\} \quad (107)$$

$$1 = q_t \varphi'\left(\frac{i_t}{k_t}\right) \quad (108)$$

$$y_t = A_t k_t^\alpha n_t^{1-\alpha} = c_t + i_t \quad (109)$$

- and capital follows

$$k_{t+1} = (1-\delta)k_t + \varphi\left(\frac{i_t}{k_t}\right)k_t \quad (110)$$

- The only difference between the decentralized version and plan'er problem is equation regarding q_t

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} \left\{ \frac{\alpha y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} + q_{t+1} \left[(1 - \delta) + \varphi\left(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) - \varphi'\left(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} \right] \right\} \quad (111)$$

$$q_t = \beta E_t \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{\lambda_t} [R_{t+1} - i_{t+1} + q_{t+1}(1 - \delta + \varphi(i_{t+1}))] \quad (112)$$

- We now prove these two are the same. Notice

$$1 = q_t \varphi'\left(\frac{i_t}{k_t}\right) \quad (113)$$

- so we have

$$-i_{t+1} = -i_{t+1} q_{t+1} \varphi'\left(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}\right) \quad (114)$$

- Recall the risk free rate is

$$\lambda_t = \beta R_{ft} E_t \lambda_{t+1} \quad (115)$$

- and the stock price

$$\lambda_t V_t = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} [V_{t+1} + D_{t+1}] \quad (116)$$

- or

$$\lambda_t = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} \left[\frac{V_{t+1} + D_{t+1}}{V_t} \right] = \beta E_t \lambda_{t+1} R_{et+1} \quad (117)$$

Asset price implication

- The log linearize return

$$1 = \beta E_t \exp(\log \lambda_{t+1} - \log \lambda_t + r_{ft}) \quad (118)$$

- and the stock price

$$1 = \beta E_t [\log \lambda_{t+1} - \log \lambda_t + \log(V_{t+1} + D_{t+1}) - \log V_t] \quad (119)$$

- or

$$1 = \beta E_t \exp(\log \lambda_{t+1} - \log \lambda_t + r_{et+1}) \quad (120)$$

- we are interested in the risk premium

$$\Delta r = E_t r_{et+1} - r_{ft} \quad (121)$$

Direct log-linearization

- The log-linearization around the deterministic steady-state. In the deterministic steady-state, there is no uncertainty we must have

$$r_f = r_e = -\log(\beta) \quad (122)$$

- so the above two equations implies

$$E_t \hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + \hat{r}_{ft} = 0 \quad (123)$$

and

$$E_t \hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + E_t \hat{r}_{et+1} = 0 \quad (124)$$

- The premium is

$$\begin{aligned} E_t r_{et+1} - r_{ft} &= E_t r_{et+1} - r_e + r_e - r_{ft} \\ &= E_t \hat{r}_{et+1} - \hat{r}_{ft} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Indirect log-linearization

- We have seen that directly using log-linearization generates a zero risk premium. So we need to look at some other methods.
- We now look at the second order approximation. For R_{ft} , define $\bar{R}_f = ER_{ft}$ as the unconditional mean of the risk-free rate and $\bar{R}_e = ER_{et}$ similarly. We have

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ft} &= \frac{1}{\beta E_t \exp(\log \lambda_{t+1} - \log \lambda_t)} & (125) \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta E_t \exp(\log \lambda_{t+1} - \log \lambda - (\log \lambda_t - \log \lambda))} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \exp(-\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} + \hat{\lambda}_t) \end{aligned}$$

Indirect log-linearization

- for real variable we have

$$\hat{x}_t = \pi_k^x \hat{k}_t + \pi_A^x \hat{A}_t \quad (126)$$

$$\hat{k}_{t+1} = \pi_k^k \hat{k}_t + \pi_A^k \hat{A}_t$$

- where

$$\hat{A}_t = \rho \hat{A}_t + \varepsilon_t \quad (127)$$

- where ε_t is a normal distribution with standard deviation σ . Iteration we can write

$$\hat{k}_{t+1} = \frac{\pi_A^k \hat{A}_t}{1 - \pi_k^k L} = \frac{\pi_A^k}{1 - \pi_k^k L} \frac{\varepsilon_t}{1 - \rho L} \quad (128)$$

- so

$$\hat{x}_t = \frac{\pi_k^x \pi_A^k}{1 - \pi_k^k L} \frac{L \varepsilon_t}{1 - \rho L} + \frac{\pi_A^x \varepsilon_t}{1 - \rho L}$$

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- It implies we can write

$$\hat{x}_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j^x \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (130)$$

- so the log difference between a variable x_t and its deterministic steady-state are normally distributed.

Indirect log-linearization

- Using the above fact we have

$$\hat{\lambda}_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{\lambda,j} \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (131)$$

- and

$$\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{\lambda,j} \varepsilon_{t+1-j} \quad (132)$$

- The expected value

$$E_t \hat{\lambda}_{t+1} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{\lambda,j+1} \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (133)$$

- Conditional variance

$$\text{Var}_t(\hat{\lambda}_{t+1}) = \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (134)$$

Indirect log-linearization

- So the implied risk free rate is

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ft} &= \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{1}{E_t \exp\{\hat{\lambda}_t - \hat{\lambda}_{t+1}\}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta} \exp\{-E_t \hat{\lambda}_{t+1} + \hat{\lambda}_t - \frac{1}{2} \text{var}_t(\hat{\lambda}_{t+1})\} \end{aligned} \quad (135)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\beta} \exp\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2\right\} \quad (136)$$

- we take log and we then have

$$r_{ft} = -\log \beta + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (137)$$

- so the unconditional mean is

$$Er_{ft} = -\log \beta - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (138)$$

- which is different from the deterministic steady-state.

Indirect log-linearization

- To obtain the unconditional mean of R_{ft} we use

$$R_{ft} = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp\left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \right\} \quad (139)$$

- Again $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j}$ has normal distribution we have

$$ER_{ft} = \bar{R}_f = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2 \sigma^2\right) \quad (140)$$

- The volatility of risk free rate

$$r_{ft} = -\log \beta + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} + \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (141)$$

- so we have

$$\text{var}(r_{ft}) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2 \sigma^2 \quad (142)$$

Indirect log-linearization of risky return

- The risk return

$$1 = \beta E_t \exp\{\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + r_{et+1}\} \quad (143)$$

- Define $\bar{R}_e = E_t R_{et}$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \beta E_t \exp\{\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + r_{et+1}\} \\ &= \beta \bar{R}_e E_t \exp\{\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + \hat{r}_{et+1}\} \end{aligned} \quad (144)$$

Indirect log-linearization of risky return

- Using the property of normal distribution, the term $\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + \hat{r}_{et+1}$ is also normally distributed.
- Its mean

$$E_t[\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t] = \sum (\pi_{\lambda,j+1} - \pi_{\lambda,j} + \pi_{r,j}) \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (145)$$

- its variance is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}_t(\hat{\lambda}_{t+1} - \hat{\lambda}_t + \hat{r}_{et+1}) &= \text{Var}_t(\pi_{\lambda,0}\varepsilon_{t+1} + \pi_{r,0}\varepsilon_{t+1}) \\ &= (\pi_{\lambda,0}^2 + \pi_{r,0}^2 + 2\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0})\sigma^2 \end{aligned} \quad (146)$$

- so we have

$$\bar{R}_e = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp \left[\begin{array}{c} \sum (-\pi_{\lambda,j+1} + \pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{r,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} \\ -\frac{1}{2}(\pi_{\lambda,0}^2 + \pi_{r,0}^2 + 2\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0})\sigma^2 \end{array} \right] \quad (147)$$

Indirect log-linearization of risky return

- or we have

$$\log \bar{R}_e = -\log \beta - \sum (\pi_{\lambda,j+1} - \pi_{\lambda,j} + \pi_{r,j+1}) \varepsilon_{t-j} - \frac{1}{2} (\pi_{\lambda,0}^2 + \pi_{r,0}^2 + 2\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0}) \sigma^2 \quad (148)$$

- so we must have

$$\pi_{\lambda,j+1} - \pi_{\lambda,j} + \pi_{r,j+1} = 0 \quad (149)$$

- or we have

$$\log \bar{R}_e = -\log \beta - \frac{1}{2} (\pi_{\lambda,0}^2 + \pi_{r,0}^2 + 2\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0}) \sigma^2 \quad (150)$$

- and the risk rate is

$$\log \bar{R}_f = -\log \beta + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2 \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{\lambda,0}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (151)$$

- The premium

$$\log \bar{R}_e = -\log \beta - \frac{1}{2}(\pi_{\lambda,0}^2 + \pi_{r,0}^2 + 2\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0})\sigma^2 \quad (152)$$

$$\log \bar{R}_f = -\log \beta - \frac{1}{2}\pi_{\lambda,0}^2\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j=0}^{\infty}(\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2\sigma^2 \quad (153)$$

- or we have

$$\log \bar{R}_e - \log \bar{R}_f = -\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0}\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2}(r_{r,0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty}(\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2)\sigma^2 \quad (154)$$

Indirect log-linearization of risky return

- we have

$$\log \bar{R}_e - \log \bar{R}_f = -\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0}\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\pi_{r,0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty}(\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2)\sigma^2 \quad (155)$$

- Finally by

$$\pi_{\lambda,j+1} - \pi_{\lambda,j} + \pi_{r,j+1} = 0 \quad (156)$$

- we can write

$$\pi_{r,0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty}(\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2 = \pi_{r,0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{r,j+1}^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{r,j}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (157)$$

- The unconditional volatility of

$$\text{var}(\hat{r}_{et}) = \text{var}(r_{et}) = \text{var}\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{r,j}\varepsilon_{t-j}\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_{r,j}^2 \sigma^2 \quad (158)$$

A special case

- Consider a special case, with $h = 0$. So we have

$$\hat{\lambda}_t = -\gamma \hat{c}_t \quad (159)$$

- so we have

$$\hat{\lambda}_t = -\gamma \sum \pi_{c,j} \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (160)$$

- the consumption growth is

$$\hat{c}_{t+1} - \hat{c}_t = \pi_{c0} \varepsilon_{t+1} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{c,j+1} - \pi_{\lambda,j}) \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (161)$$

- The covariance between consumption growth and risky return is

$$\text{cov}_t(\hat{c}_{t+1} - \hat{c}_t, \hat{r}_{et+1}) = \text{cov}_t(\pi_{c0} \varepsilon_{t+1}, \pi_{r0} \varepsilon_{t+1}) = \pi_{c0} \pi_{r0} \sigma^2 \quad (162)$$

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- So the risk premium can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \log \bar{R}_e - \log \bar{R}_f &= -\pi_{\lambda,0}\pi_{r,0}\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\pi_{r0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2) \sigma^2 \\ &= \gamma\pi_{c0}\pi_{r0}\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\pi_{r0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2) \sigma^2 \\ &= \gamma\text{cov}_t(\hat{c}_{t+1} - \hat{c}_t, \hat{r}_{et+1}) - \frac{1}{2}\text{var}_t(r_{et+1}) \end{aligned}$$

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The role of habit

- The risk premium is

$$\log \bar{R}_e - \log \bar{R}_f = -\pi_{\lambda,0} \pi_{r,0} \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} (r_{r0}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi_{\lambda,j} - \pi_{\lambda,j+1})^2) \sigma^2 \quad (167)$$

- ignore the last term, we can see either we increase $\pi_{\lambda,0}$ or π_{r0} .
- In the case with habit

$$\hat{\lambda}_t = -\frac{(1 + \beta h^2) \gamma}{(1 - \beta h)(1 - h)} \hat{c}_t + \frac{h \gamma}{(1 - \beta h)(1 - h)} \hat{c}_{t-1} \quad (168)$$
$$+ \frac{\beta h \gamma}{(1 - \beta h)(1 - h)} E_t \hat{c}_{t+1}$$

- so we have

$$\pi_{\lambda,0} = -\frac{(1 + \beta h^2) \gamma}{(1 - \beta h)(1 - h)} \pi_{c,0} \quad (169)$$

The role of investment adjustment costs

- given $\pi_{c,0}$, the bigger is h , the bigger is $\pi_{\lambda,0}$
- However, in the production economy, h would have a feedback effect. A big h would implies more smoothed consumption. Namely it will reduce $\pi_{c,0}$. To prevent this to happen, we must add investment adjustment cost.
- investment adjustment cost would implies if big increases in investment is not desirable. And by

$$c_y \hat{c}_t + i_{yt} = \hat{y}_t \quad (170)$$

- an increase in output cuased by technology shock, must be forced to consumption due to the above resource constraint.

The role of investment adjustment costs

- Remember

$$\begin{aligned}R_{et+1} &= \frac{q_{t+1}k_{t+2} + d_{t+1}}{q_t k_{t+1}} \\ &= \frac{q_{t+1}[(1 - \delta)k_{t+1} + \varphi(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}})k_{t+1}] + \alpha y_{t+1} - i_{t+1}}{q_t k_{t+1}}\end{aligned}\quad (171)$$

- and by

$$1 = q_t \varphi'(\frac{i_t}{k_t}) \quad (172)$$

- We can have

$$R_{et+1} = \frac{q_{t+1}[(1 - \delta) + \varphi(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}})] + \alpha \frac{y_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} - \varphi'(\frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}}) \frac{i_{t+1}}{k_{t+1}} q_{t+1}}{q_t} \quad (173)$$

The role of investment adjustment costs

- Linearization yields

$$\hat{R}_{et+1} = [1 - \beta(1 - \delta)][\hat{y}_{t+1} - \hat{k}_{t+1}] + \beta\hat{q}_{t+1} - \hat{q}_t$$

- where \hat{q}_t

$$\hat{q}_t = -\delta\varphi''(\delta)[\hat{i}_t - \hat{k}_t] \quad (174)$$

- so we have

$$\pi_{r,0} = (1 - \beta(1 - \delta))\pi_{y,0} + \beta\pi_{q,0} \quad (175)$$

- output

$$\hat{y}_t = A_t + \alpha\hat{k}_t + (1 - \alpha)\hat{n}_t \quad (176)$$

- if we fix labor in the steady-state, we have

$$\pi_{y,0} = 1 \quad (177)$$

The role of investment adjustment costs

- so we have

$$\pi_{r,0} = (1 - \beta(1 - \delta)) + \beta\pi_{q,0} \quad (178)$$

- and

$$\pi_{q,0} = -\delta\varphi''(\delta)\pi_{i,0} \quad (179)$$

- so to generate big risk premium we requires a big adjustment cost, namely we requires $\varphi''(\delta)$ to be very negative given $\pi_{i,0}$.
- However in the general equilibrium model, the adjustment cost in capital would smooth investment and hence make $\pi_{i,0}$ smaller. To provent this, we need habit formation in consumption.