

## 1.

Apply the equilibrium condition

$$S = I(r) + F(r) \quad (1)$$

$$X(\varepsilon) = F(r) \quad (2)$$

and analyze with the  $\varepsilon - r$  figure.

### (1).

A business-friendly party taking power means the national saving will decrease. To satisfy (1),  $r$  has to increase. Then  $\varepsilon$  increases, according to (2). To conclude, both the real interest rate and the real exchange rate will increase.

### (2).

Increasing tariffs on goods from a major trading partner results in that for any given  $\varepsilon$ ,  $X(\varepsilon)$  increases. To satisfy (2),  $r$  has to decrease. That is, the curve of  $X(\varepsilon) = F(r)$  shifts to the left. Since there is nothing to do with the vertical curve of  $S = I(r) + F(r)$ , the result is a higher real exchange rate and an unchanged real interest rate.

### (3).

Country's going to war leads to a higher government expenditure, decreasing the national saving  $S$ . To satisfy (1),  $r$  has to rise. According to (2),  $\varepsilon$  rises as well. In conclusion, going to war results in both higher real interest rate and real exchange rate.

## 2.

### (a).

Using the constant return-to-scale assumption, define the per capita production function

$$f(k) \equiv y = \frac{Y}{L} = \left( \frac{K}{L} \right)^\alpha = k^\alpha.$$

When the economy reaches the steady state, we have

$$\dot{k} = \frac{dk}{dt} \Big|_{k=k^*} = sf(k^*) - (n + \delta)k^* = sk^{*\alpha} - (n + \delta)k^* = 0 \implies k^* = \left( \frac{n + \delta}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}.$$

Thus, we can also compute that

$$y^* = k^{*\alpha} = \left( \frac{n + \delta}{s} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}},$$
$$c^* = y^* - i^* = (1 - s)y^* = (1 - s) \left( \frac{n + \delta}{s} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}}.$$

(b).

To maximize the consumption, take the derivative of  $c^* = y^* - sy^* = f(k^*) - (n + \delta)k^*$ ,

$$\frac{dc^*}{dk^*} = f'(k^*) - (n + \delta) = \alpha k^{*\alpha-1} - (n + \delta).$$

Apply the first-order condition,

$$\left. \frac{dc^*}{dk^*} \right|_{k^*=k_g^*} = 0 \implies k_g^* = \left( \frac{n + \delta}{\alpha} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}},$$

which is the golden-rule level for  $k^*$ .

(c).

To find the golden-rule saving rate, just let  $k^* = k_g^*$  and solve it. Since  $\partial k^* / \partial s > 0$ ,

$$s_g^* = \alpha.$$

**3.**

Since  $h$  is differentiable and  $k^*$  is a stable point, there exists a neighbourhood of  $k^*$ , denoted by  $I$ , in which there is only one stable point  $k^*$ . For all  $\epsilon > 0$  satisfying  $k_1 = k^* - \epsilon \in I$  and  $k_2 = k^* + \epsilon \in I$ ,

$$h(k_1) > 0, \quad h(k_2) < 0.$$

According to the mean value theorem,  $\exists \xi \in (k_1, k_2)$ , s.t.

$$h'(\xi) = \frac{h(k_2) - h(k_1)}{k_2 - k_1} < 0.$$

Therefore,

$$h'(k^*) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} h'(\xi) < 0.$$