

## 4: Uncertainty and the Neoclassical growth model 4-1

I assume that households and firms have rational expectations.

subjective probability over future events are consistent with the actual probabilities for these events.

### 4.1 Maximization under Uncertainty

example: 2-period economy,  $t=0, 1$

- a household in a large economy.

- consumes in both period.

- faces earnings risk in his second period when he works.

in period 1:  $n$  possible states of the world, the real wage varies across these states,  $w \in \{\tilde{w}_1, \dots, \tilde{w}_n\}$

The probability of state  $i$  is  $\pi_i = \Pr(w = \tilde{w}_i), i=1, \dots, n$   
with  $\sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i = 1$

- The household maximizes expected lifetime utility, that is he has a Von Neumann-Morgenstern utility function:

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i u(c_0, c_{1i}, n_i) \equiv E[u(c_0, c_{1i}, n_i)]$$

where  $u(c_0, c_{1i}, n_i)$  is his utility given a specific bundle of consumption in period 0 and 1, and work in period 1 when the state of the world is  $i$ .

理解: 可以将  $c_{1i}$  和  $c_{1j}$ ,  $i \neq j$  想象成不同的产品, 即, 可以想象家庭面对一个静态问题, 选择  $n+1+n$  种产品.

## 不完全市场 (incomplete market).

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household's choice of  $C_0$  and  $\{C_{it}, n_i\}_{i=1}^n$  will depend on what assets are available to the household.

One extreme example of incomplete markets is: Only a single risk-free asset,  $a$ , with discount price  $q = \frac{1}{R}$ .

• ~~date~~ period 0 budget constraint:

$$C_0 + qA = \underbrace{I}_{\text{initial income (初始收入)}}$$

• There are  $n$  separate period 1 budget constraints:

$$C_{it} = a + w_i \cdot n_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

• markets are incomplete, because we don't have as many assets as state-of-nature, therefore we cannot use  $a$  to derive a single ~~the~~ lifetime budget constraint.   
  $\downarrow$   
the asset

• 换句话说, 如果我们用  $i=1$  时的 period 1 budget constraint, 有  $a = C_{11} - w_1 \cdot n_1$  并将  $a$  代入 period 1 budget constraint when  $i \neq 1$ , 那么, 当  $i \neq 1$  时,  $C_{it} = C_{11} - w_1 \cdot n_1 + w_i \cdot n_i$ , 那对  $C_{11}$  的选择影响了  $C_{it}$ ,  $i \neq 1$ 。我们说, 对  $C_{it}$  的选择不是独立的。这即造成了市场的不完全性。

• 假设:  $U(C_0, C_{it}, n_i) = U(C_0) + \beta U(C_{it}) + \beta V(n_i)$ , where  $V'(n_i) < 0$

the household solves:

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$$\max_{C_0, a, \{C_{i1}, n_{i1}\}_{i=1}^n} U(C_0) + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i [U(C_{i1}) + V(n_{i1})]$$

subject to

$$C_0 + qa = I$$

$$C_{i1} = a + w_i n_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

let  $\lambda, \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be the multipliers.

$$\text{FOC: } [C_0]: U'(C_0) = \lambda$$

$$[a]: \lambda q = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$$

$$[C_{i1}]: \beta \cdot \pi_i U'(C_{i1}) = \lambda_i$$

$$[n_i]: \beta \cdot \pi_i V'(n_i) = -\lambda_i \cdot w_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{w_i \cdot U'(C_{i1})}_{\substack{\text{the marginal value} \\ \text{of another unit of time} \\ \text{devoted to work}}} = - \underbrace{V'(n_i)}_{\substack{\text{marginal utility of Leisure}}}, \quad i=1, \dots, n, \quad \text{labor-leisure condition.}$$

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$$\text{also } \Rightarrow \underbrace{q U'(C_0)}_{\substack{\text{marginal cost of} \\ \text{savings } q, \text{ valued in} \\ \text{units of period 0} \\ \text{consumption}}} = \underbrace{\beta \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i U'(C_{i1})}_{\substack{\text{discounted expected} \\ \text{marginal benefit}}}, \quad \text{Euler equation.}$$

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marginal benefit.

Euler equation.

A unit more of saving raises consumption in every state-of-the-world, next period, no matter the shock is high or low, which is not ~~optimal~~ ideal because consumption is not smoothed.

假设  $u(c) = \log c$ ,  $v(n) = \log(1-n)$

labor-leisure condition  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{w_i}{c_{i,i}} = \frac{1}{1-n_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_{i,i} = w_i(1-n_i), \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

period 1 budget constraint becomes:

$$c_{i,i} = a + w_i \cdot n_i = a + w_i - c_{i,i}$$

$\Rightarrow c_{i,i} = \frac{a+w_i}{2}$ , consumption in each state  $i$  fluctuates with the wage shock. Thus, not fully insured against consumption risk.

This is a consequence of incomplete market.

from Euler equation:

$$\frac{q}{1-qa} = \beta \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i \frac{2}{a+w_i}$$

we can solve for  $a$ .

## 1.2 完全市场

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Instead of a single risk-free asset, there are state-contingent claims,  $n$  separate assets traded at date 0. Name: Arrow securities, the  $j$ -th asset is bought at price  $q_j$ , where  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and pays 1 unit of consumption only if in date 1 the state of the world is  $j$ . If in date 1 the event  $j$  does not occur, the household receives 0 per unit of the  $j$ -th asset that it holds. It is in this sense that these are ~~conting~~ contingent-claims.

period 0 budget constraint is

$$C_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i = I.$$

period 1 budget constraint is

$$C_{1i} = a_i + w_i n_i$$

The risk-free asset can be reconstructed 1 unit of each  $a_i$ .

$$\Rightarrow q = \sum_{i=1}^n q_i$$

Now, we can derive a single lifetime budget constraint.

$$\Rightarrow C_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n q_i C_{1i} = I + \sum_{i=1}^n q_i w_i n_i$$

Now, we have a single ~~lag~~ Lagrange multiplier  $\lambda$ .

$$FOCs: [C_0]: u'(C_0) = \lambda$$

$$[C_{1i}]: \beta \pi_i u'(C_{1i}) = \lambda q_i$$

$$[n_i]: \beta \pi_i v'(n_i) = -\lambda q_i w_i$$

Labor-Leisure condition:

$$w_i u'(C_{ii}) = -v'(n_i)$$

Euler equations:

$$q_i u'(C_0) = \beta \pi_i u'(C_{ii}), \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

Assume actuarially fair asset prices,  $q_i = \pi_i q$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$

Then,  $u'(C_0) \cdot q = \beta \cdot u'(C_{ii})$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$ .

$\Rightarrow C_{ii} = C$ , a constant over states of nature

This is the result that a risk-averse consumer with fair insurance will ~~be~~ fully insure himself.

Complete markets gives a marginal rate of substitution between  $C_0$  and each  $C_{ii}$  as  $q_i$

The marginal rate of substitution between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$  is.

$$\frac{u'(C_{ii})}{u'(C_{jj})} = \frac{q_i}{q_j}$$

assume  $u(C_0) = \log(C_0)$ ,  $U(n) = \log(1-n)$ . we have

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$\beta \pi_i C_0 = q_i C_{ii}$$

$$\beta \pi_i C_0 = q_i w_i (1-n_i)$$

The lifetime budget constraint.

$$C_0 + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i C_0 = I + \sum_{i=1}^n (q_i w_i - \beta \pi_i C_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0(1+2\beta) = I + \sum_{i=1}^n q_i w_i$$

and from Euler equations.

$$C_{ii} = \beta \cdot \frac{\pi_i}{q_i} \cdot C_0$$

- If the prices of securities do not reflect the probability of payment the higher is  $q_i$  relative to  $\pi_i$ , the less is  $a_i$  and therefore  $C_{ii}$ .
- 因此, 完全市场并不是以得出 full insurance.

## 4.2 Markov Chains

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**Def:** A stochastic process that the probability distribution of the random variable next period depends only on its current value.

**Def:**  $X_t \in X$ . A stationary Markov Chain is a stochastic process  $\{X_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$  defined by  $X, P, \pi_0$ , such that there exist a stationary (invariant) distribution ~~for~~ (a probability vector)  $\pi = \pi P$ .

where,  ~~$P$~~   $X$  is  $1 \times n$  set of values.,  $X = \{\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{X}_2, \dots, \tilde{X}_i, \dots, \tilde{X}_n\}$

$P$  is a  $n \times n$  transition matrix

$\pi_0$  is a  $1 \times n$  initial probability distribution for  $X_0$ .

where,  $P_{i,j} = \text{probability } \{X_{t+1} = \tilde{X}_j | X_t = \tilde{X}_i\}$

This implies probability  $\{X_{t+2} = \tilde{X}_j | X_t = \tilde{X}_i\} = \sum_{k=1}^n P_{i,k} \cdot P_{k,j} \equiv [P^2]_{i,j}$ .

Given  $\pi_0$ , the probability distribution of  $X_1$  is  $\pi_1$ , given by,

$$\pi_1 = \pi_0 P$$

~~An~~ Analogously,

$$\pi_2 = \pi_1 P = \pi_0 P^2$$

$\vdots$

$$\pi_t = \pi_{t-1} P = \pi_0 P^t$$

• A stationary distribution satisfies

$$\pi I = \pi P, \quad I \text{ is the identity matrix.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi(I - P) = 0.$$

This defines  $\pi$  as an eigenvector of  $P$  associated with eigenvalue  $\lambda = 1$



例:  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.6 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$

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$$\pi = (\pi_1, \pi_2) = (\pi_1, \pi_2) \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.6 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (0.7\pi_1 + 0.6\pi_2, 0.3\pi_1 + 0.4\pi_2)$$

$$\text{And } \pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\pi_1, \pi_2) = (2/3, 1/3)$$

#### 4.3 The neoclassical Growth model with uncertainty

下面我们将讨论如何在新古典增长模型下引用不确定性。

- 技术冲击 (Total Factor Productivity shock)
- 以  $z$  来代表外生的随机的技术
- 以大写  $\mathbb{Z}$  来代表技术  $z$  所有可能的取值, 即  $\mathbb{Z}$  是  $\mathbb{R}_+$  下的一个可数子集
- $z_t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\forall t$  be a random variable following a stationary stochastic process.
- $\mathbb{Z}^t = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}$  为  $t$  重 笛卡尔积.

例:  $X \times Y$ , 第一个对象是  $X$  中元素, 第二个对象是  $Y$  中元素.

例  $X = \{a, b\}$ ,  $Y = \{1, 2, 3\}$

- $z^t = \{z_0, z_1, \dots, z_t\} \in \mathbb{Z}^{t+1}$  为  $t+1$  期的冲击历史,

记其概率  $\Pr\{z^t\} \equiv \pi(z^t)$

即  $\pi(z^t)$  表示在  $t+1$  期观察到历史  $z^t = \{z_0, z_1, \dots, z_t\}$  的概率

- 我们记  $z^t \prec z^{t+s}$ , 若  $z^{t+s} = (z^t, z_{t+1}, z_{t+2}, \dots, z_{t+s})$  for some  $s > 0$ .  
即  $z^{t+s}$  的前  $t+1$  个元素是由  $z^t$  来表示的.

例若  $z^t \prec z^{t+1}$ , 则  $z^{t+1} = (z^t, z_{t+1})$

- 下面, 我们来讨论一下状态的概率.

$$Pr\{z_{t+1} | z^t\} = \pi\{z_{t+1} | z^t\}$$

$$\text{由 } \underbrace{Pr\{z^{t+1} | z^t\}} = \underbrace{Pr\{z_{t+1} | z^t\}}.$$

给定已经观察到  
历史  $z^t$  后, 能够  
观察到历史  $z^{t+1}$  的  
概率.

如果我们 ~~再~~ 假定 ~~和~~ 随机过程是 Markov Process, 我们有

$$Pr\{(z_{t+1}, z^t) | z^t\} = Pr\{z_{t+1} | z^t\} = \pi\{z_{t+1} | z^t\}$$

- 由条件期望概率: 有, 若  $z^t \prec z^{t+1}$ ,  $\pi(z^{t+1}) = \pi(z_{t+1} | z^t) \cdot \pi(z^t)$

### 4.3. 1. The planner's problem.

- 产出 at  $z^t$ ,  $y_t(z^t) = z_t F(k_t(z^t), n_t(z^t))$

- $U(\{C(z^t), 1 - n_t(z^t)\}_{z^t \in z^{t+1}}) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \sum_{z^t \in z^{t+1}} \pi(z^t) U(C_t(z^t))$

- $k_{t+1}(z^t) = (1 - \delta) k_t(z^{t+1}) + i_t(z^t)$

- $C_t(z^t) + i_t(z^t) \leq y_t(z^t)$

- $n_t(z^t) \in [0, 1]$

- $U(\cdot), F(\cdot)$  are strictly increasing, concave and twice continuously differentiable

- $\beta \in (0, 1), \delta \in (0, 1)$

由于闲暇不产生效用,  $\Rightarrow n_t(z^t) = 1$ , for each  $z^t$ ,

令  $\lambda_t(z^t)$  为资源约束在  $z^t$  状态下的拉格朗日乘子:

$$\cancel{G_t(z^t)} + k_{t+1}(z^t) \leq z_t F(k_t(z^{t+1}), n_t(z^t)) + (1-\delta)k_t(z^{t+1})$$

given  $k(z^1) = k_0 (z^1 = \{\phi\})$

planner chooses  $G_t(z^t), n_t(z^t), k_{t+1}(z^t)$  at each  $z^t \in \mathcal{Z}^{t+1}$ , for  $t=0, 1, \dots$

$$\alpha = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \sum_{z^t \in \mathcal{Z}^{t+1}} \pi(z^t) [u(G_t(z^t)) + \lambda_t(z^t) (z_t F(k_t(z^{t+1}), 1) + (1-\delta)k_t(z^{t+1}) - G_t(z^t) - k_{t+1}(z^t))]$$

F.O.C for some specific event  $\bar{z}^t$  are:

$$[G_t(\bar{z}^t)]: u'(G_t(\bar{z}^t)) = \lambda_t(\bar{z}^t) \quad (1)$$

$$[k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t)]: \pi(\bar{z}^t) \lambda_t(\bar{z}^t) = \beta \sum_{z^{t+1} \in \mathcal{Z}^{t+2}} \pi(z^{t+1}) \lambda_{t+1}(z^{t+1}) (z_{t+1} F_1(k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t), 1) + 1 - \delta) \quad (2)$$

以及市场出清:  $z_t F(k_t(\bar{z}^{t+1}), 1) + (1-\delta)k_t(\bar{z}^{t+1}) - G_t(\bar{z}^t) - k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t) = 0$

注意:  $[k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t)]$  的一阶条件只对包含历史  $\bar{z}^t$  的  $z^{t+1}$  成立,  $\bar{z}^t \prec z^{t+1}$

利用:  $\frac{\pi(z^{t+1})}{\pi(\bar{z}^t)} = \pi(z_{t+1} | \bar{z}^t)$

我们将 (2) 式化为

$$\lambda_t(\bar{z}^t) = \beta \sum_{z^{t+1} \in \mathcal{Z}^{t+2}} \pi(z_{t+1} | \bar{z}^t) \lambda_{t+1}(z^{t+1}) (z_{t+1} F_1(k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t), 1) + 1 - \delta)$$

$$= \beta \sum_{z^{t+1} \in \mathcal{Z}} \pi(z_{t+1} | \bar{z}^t) \lambda_{t+1}(z^{t+1}) (z_{t+1} F_1(k_{t+1}(\bar{z}^t), 1) + 1 - \delta).$$

ady state and linearization

steady-state: is a "constant solution"

$$k_t = k^*, \forall t$$

$$c_t = c^*, \forall t$$

~~For~~ example: Neoclassical Growth model

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \log c_t$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{Euler: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{c_t} - \beta \frac{1}{c_{t+1}} [2k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta] = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

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

steady state:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{c^*} - \beta \frac{1}{c^*} (2k^{*\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta) = 0 \\ c^* + k^* - (1-\delta)k^* = k^{*\alpha} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 = \beta (2k^{*\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta) \Rightarrow k^* = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\beta} - (1-\delta) \right] \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}} \\ c^* = k^{*\alpha} - \delta k^* \end{array} \right.$$

Log-linearization:

for a variable  $x_t$ , its log-deviation from steady state is

$$\hat{x}_t = \log \frac{x_t}{x_{ss}} \text{, so, } x_t = x_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{x}_t} \approx x_{ss} (1 + \hat{x}_t)$$

linearization the simple model

or equation:

$$C_{t+1} = \beta C_t [\alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta] = \beta C_t X_t, \text{ where } X_t \equiv \alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta$$

$$C_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{C}_{t+1}} = \beta C_{ss} \cdot X_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{C}_t + \hat{X}_t}$$

since from steady-state relations.

$$C_{ss} = \beta C_{ss} \cdot X_{ss} \Rightarrow X_{ss} = \frac{1}{\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\hat{C}_{t+1}} = e^{\hat{C}_t + \hat{X}_t}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \hat{C}_{t+1} = 1 + \hat{C}_t + \hat{X}_t$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{C}_{t+1} = \hat{C}_t + \hat{X}_t$$

then  $X_t = \alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta$ , steady state  $X_{ss} = \alpha k_{ss}^{\alpha-1} + 1 - \delta \Rightarrow \alpha k_{ss}^{\alpha-1} = \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta$

$$X_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{X}_t} = \alpha k_{ss}^{\alpha-1} e^{\hat{X}_t} + 1 - \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\beta} (1 + \hat{X}_t) = (\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta) \cdot (1 + \alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}) + 1 - \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\beta} \hat{X}_t = (\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta) \cdot (\alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{C}_{t+1} = \hat{C}_t + \beta (\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta) \cdot (\alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}) \quad (1)$$

Budget constraint.

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

$$C_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{C}_t} + k_{ss} \cdot e^{\hat{k}_{t+1}} - (1 - \delta) k_{ss} e^{\hat{k}_t} = k_{ss}^\alpha \cdot e^{2\hat{k}_t}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{ss} \cdot \hat{C}_t + k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1} - (1 - \delta) \cdot k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_t = k_{ss}^\alpha \cdot 2 \cdot \hat{k}_t$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{ss} \cdot \hat{C}_t = [2 k_{ss}^\alpha + (1 - \delta) k_{ss}] \cdot \hat{k}_t - k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1} \quad (2)$$

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$$C_{ss} + k_{ss} - (1-\delta)k_{ss} = k_{ss}^2$$

$$C_{ss} = k_{ss}^2 - \delta k_{ss} = (k_{ss}^{\alpha-1} - \delta) \cdot k_{ss} = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta \right) - \delta \right] \cdot k_{ss}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C_{ss}}{k_{ss}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta \right) - \delta$$

$$C_{ss} \cdot \hat{C}_t = [2k_{ss}^{\alpha-1} + (1-\delta)] \cdot k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_t - k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1}$$

$$C_{ss} \cdot \hat{C}_t = \frac{1}{\beta} \cdot k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_t - k_{ss} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1}$$

$$\hat{C}_t = \frac{1}{\beta} \cdot \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \hat{k}_t - \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \hat{k}_{t+1} \quad (3)$$

combine (1), (3)

$$\frac{1}{\beta} \cdot \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1} - \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+2} = \frac{1}{\beta} \cdot \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \hat{k}_t - \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1} + \beta \left( \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta \right) (\alpha - 1) \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k_{ss}}{C_{ss}} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\beta} + 1 \right) \cdot \hat{k}_{t+1} - \hat{k}_{t+2} - \frac{1}{\beta} \hat{k}_t \right] = \beta \left( \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + \delta \right) (\alpha - 1) \hat{k}_{t+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{k}_{t+2} - \phi \hat{k}_{t+1} + \frac{1}{\beta} \hat{k}_t = 0, \text{ where } \phi \text{ is a function of } \alpha, \beta, \delta.$$

2. solving difference equations.

$$\hat{k}_{t+2} - \phi \hat{k}_{t+1} + \frac{1}{\beta} \hat{k}_t = 0, \quad (4)$$

assume,  $\hat{k}_0 \neq 0$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $\phi > 1 + \frac{1}{\beta}$

$$f(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \phi \lambda + \frac{1}{\beta}, \text{ two roots: } \lambda_1, \lambda_2$$

$$(4) \text{ 式的通解为: } \hat{k}_t = (\hat{k}_0 - a) \lambda_1^t + a \lambda_2^t$$

$a$  为某-常数.

• minimal state variable (MSV) solution: a solution with the least number of state variables

a solution is "non-explosive" if  $\hat{k}_t \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

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(i)  $|\lambda_1| > 1, |\lambda_2| < 1$  : ~~0/1~~ non-explosive ~~解~~,  $a = \hat{k}_0$

(ii)  $|\lambda_1| > 1, |\lambda_2| > 1$  : ~~无~~ non-explosive ~~解~~.

(iii)  $|\lambda_1| < 1, |\lambda_2| < 1$  : all solutions are non-explosive

## 2.1. Deterministic Case

$$\vec{a}_0 X_{t+2} + \vec{a}_1 X_{t+1} + \vec{a}_2 X_t = 0, \quad t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$X_{t+1}$  is  $n \times 1$  vector of time  $t$  endogenous variables.

$\vec{a}_i$  are known  $n \times n$  matrices.

$0$  is  $n \times 1$  vector of zeros.

~~$X_0$~~  are given

$$\text{记 } Y_t = \begin{pmatrix} X_{t+1} \\ X_t \end{pmatrix}, \quad a = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}_0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

则有,

$$a Y_{t+1} + b Y_t = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

### 2.1.1. $a$ is invertible

$$\Rightarrow Y_t = \Pi^t Y_0, \quad \Pi = -a^{-1}b$$

we assume the eigenvalues of  $\Pi$  are distinct, which guarantees that  $\Pi$  has the following eigenvector-eigenvalue decomposition.

$$\Pi = P \Lambda P^{-1}$$

$$\text{where } P = (P_1 \dots P_{2n}), \quad P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{P}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{P}_{2n} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_{2n} \end{pmatrix}$$

where, the elements  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $\Pi$ .

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The column vectors,  $P_i$  are the right eigenvectors of  $\Pi$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^p$

$$\Pi P_i = \lambda_i P_i, i=1, \dots, 2n.$$

$\tilde{P}_i$  are the left eigenvectors of  $\Pi$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^p$

$$\tilde{P}_i \cdot \Pi = \lambda_i \cdot \tilde{P}_i, i=1, \dots, 2n$$

$$\Pi^t = P \Lambda^t P^{-1}$$

then if we define  $\tilde{Y}_t = P^{-1} \cdot Y_t$ .

we have, 
$$\underbrace{P^{-1} Y_t}_{\tilde{Y}_t} = P^{-1} \Pi^t Y_0 = P^{-1} P \cdot \Lambda^t \cdot \underbrace{P^{-1} Y_0}_{\tilde{Y}_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{Y}_t = \Lambda^t \cdot \tilde{Y}_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{Y}_{i,t} = \lambda_i^t \tilde{Y}_{i,0} \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, 2n \quad (5)$$

where 
$$\tilde{Y}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Y}_{1,t} \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{Y}_{2n,t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, find the non-explosive solutions.

Note:  $\tilde{Y}_t \rightarrow 0$  if and only if  $Y_t \rightarrow 0$ .

当某一个  $|\lambda_i| > 1$  时, 我们需要选择  $Y_0$ , 使得  $\lambda_i$  对应的解被 "extinguished" "熄灭".

从(5)式得知, 当  $\tilde{P}_i Y_0 = 0$  时,  $\lambda_i$  对解无影响.

记  $q$  为 explosive eigenvalue 的数量.

注意:  $Y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_0 \end{pmatrix}$ , 由于  $X_0$  给定, 我们只能选择  $X_1$ , 即有  $n$  个变量的自由度.



case 1:  $n=q$ , 有唯一 non-explosive 解.

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即找出这  $n$  个 eigenvalue 对应的 left-eigenvectors.

组成  $n \times 2n$  的矩阵  $D$ .

令  $DY_0 = 0$ .

再将  $D$  分块:  $D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & D_2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $n \times q \quad n \times (2n-q)$

则有  $\begin{bmatrix} D_1 & D_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_0 \end{pmatrix} = D_1 X_1 + D_2 X_0 = 0$ .

若  $D_1$  invertible,  $A = -D_1^{-1} D_2$  real

则  $X_1 = AX_0$  为 (actual) MSV.

case 2:  $n < q$ , 自由度不够多, 无 non-explosive solution.

case 3:  $n > q$ , 有多个 non-explosive solution.

2.2. Stochastic Case, Invertible  $a$ .

$$E[\alpha_0 X_{t+2} + \alpha_1 X_{t+1} + \alpha_2 X_t + \beta_0 s_{t+1} + \beta_1 s_t | s_t] = 0$$

$$s_t = \rho s_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t.$$

可以将以上表达式记为

$$\alpha_0 X_{t+2} + \alpha_1 X_{t+1} + \alpha_2 X_t + \beta_0 s_{t+1} + \beta_1 s_t = \varepsilon_{t+1} \quad (n \times 1)$$

where  $E_t \varepsilon_{t+1} = 0$ , 注意满足这一条件的  $\varepsilon_{t+1}$  有很多.

$$\text{记 } Y_{t+} = \begin{pmatrix} X_{t+1} \\ X_t \\ s_t \end{pmatrix}, \quad a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_0 & 0 & \beta_0 \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_1 \\ -I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\rho \end{pmatrix}, \quad w_t = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{t+1} \\ 0 \\ \varepsilon_{t+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a Y_{t+1} + b Y_t = w_{t+1}$$

when  $a$  is invertible.

$$\text{记 } \pi = -a^{-1}b$$

$$\Rightarrow Y_t = \pi^t Y_0 + a^{-1}w_t + \pi a^{-1}w_{t-1} + \dots + \pi^{t-1}a^{-1}w_1$$

the space of solution is characterized by the choice of  $Y_0, \{z_{t+1}\}$ , where  $Y_0$  has  $n$  free elements and  $\{z_{t+1}\}$  also has  $n$  free elements.

~~Case~~ Define non-explosive solution:

$$E_0 Y_t \rightarrow 0$$

$\text{Var}_0(Y_t)$  bounded.

记  $q$  为 explosive eigenvalue 的数量.

Case 1:  $q=n$ , 唯一 non-explosive 解.

即找出这  $n$  个 eigenvalue 对应的 left-eigenvectors.

组成  $n \times (2n+ns)$  矩阵  $D$ , s.t.

$$D Y_t = 0, \quad t=1, 2, \dots$$

然后 construct  $z_t$ , s.t.

$$D a^{-1}w_t = 0_{n \times 1}.$$

Case 2:  $q > n$  无 non-explosive 解

Case 3:  $q < n$  multiple non-explosive 解.

## 2.3. The Non-Invertible a Case

$$aY_{t+1} + bY_t = 0, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (6)$$

now  $a$  is not invertible.

$Y_t$  is  $2n \times 1$  vector, let  $m = 2n$ , let  $a_{m \times m}$  矩阵的秩为  $L < m$

The QZ decomposition of  $a$  and  $b$  is:

$$QaZ = H_0, \quad QbZ = H_1,$$

where  $Q, Z$  are unitary matrices

$H_0, H_1$  are upper triangular matrices

unitary matrices:  $Q$  is unitary if its conjugate transpose  $Q^*$  is its inverse  
i.e.  $QQ^* = I$

conjugate transpose:  $Q^* = (\bar{Q})^T = \overline{(Q^T)}$   
(共轭转置)

即转置之后每个元素取其复数的共轭数, 即  
若元素为  $a+bi$ , 则取  $a-bi$

It is possible to order the rows of  $H_0$  so that the  $L$  zeros on its diagonal are located in the ~~right~~ lower right part of  $H_0$ . Denote the upper  $(m-L) \times (m-L)$  block of  $H_0$  by  $G_0$ . denote the upper corresponding left  $(m-L) \times (m-L)$  ~~block~~ block in  $H_1$  be  $G_1$ , 注意  $G_0$  is invertible

$$H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} G_0 (m-L \times m-L) \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} G_1 \\ \boxed{\begin{matrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{matrix}} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{non-zero.}$$

令  $Z$  的共轭转置  $Z^* = \begin{pmatrix} L_1 (m-L) \times m \\ L_2 L \times m \end{pmatrix}$

在(6)式中插入  $ZZ^*(=I)$  before  $Y_{t+1}$  and  $Y_t$ , 然后左乘  $Q$ .

$$\underbrace{QAZ}_{H_0} Z^* Y_{t+1} + \underbrace{QbZ}_{H_1} Z^* Y_t = 0, t \geq 0$$

记  $\tilde{Y}_t \equiv Z^* Y_t$

$$\Rightarrow H_0 \tilde{Y}_{t+1} + H_1 \tilde{Y}_t = 0 \quad (7)$$

对  $\tilde{Y}_t$  分块, 得

$$\tilde{Y}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Y}_t^1 \\ \tilde{Y}_t^2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } \tilde{Y}_t^1 \text{ is } (m-l) \times 1, \tilde{Y}_t^2 \text{ is } l \times 1$$

it can be verified that (7) 式 implies  $\tilde{Y}_t^2 = 0, t \geq 0$ , 即  $L_2 Y_t = 0, t \geq 0 \rightarrow$  represents  $l$  restrictions on  $Y_0$  (8)

$$\Rightarrow G_0 \tilde{Y}_{t+1}^1 + G_1 \tilde{Y}_t^1 = 0, t \geq 0$$

由于  $G_0$  is invertible

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{Y}_t^1 = (-G_0^{-1} G_1)^t \tilde{Y}_0^1, t \geq 0$$

$$\text{记 } -G_0^{-1} G_1 = P \Lambda P^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} \tilde{Y}_t^1 = \Lambda^t P^{-1} \tilde{Y}_0^1$$

由于(8)式中包含了对  $Y_0$  的  $l$  个约束条件, 我们还有  $n-l$  个自由变量.

所以, 记  $q$  为  $-G_0^{-1} G_1$  的 explosive eigenvalue 的个数

Case 1:  $q = n-l$ , 有唯一 non-explosive 解.

记  $\tilde{P}$  为这  $q$  个 explosive eigenvalue 的右左特征向量.

$$\text{则构造 } D = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{P} L_1 \\ L_2 \end{pmatrix}, D Y_0 = 0 \Rightarrow D Y_0 = [D_1 : D_2] \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_0 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Case 2:  $q > n-l$ , 无 non-explosive 解  $\Rightarrow X_1 = -D_1^{-1} D_2 X_0$

### 4.3 Recursive formulation of the Neoclassical Growth Model with Uncertainty 4-21

The planner's problem in recursive version is:

$$V(k, z) = \max_{k'} \{ u[zf(k) - k' + (1-\delta)k] + \beta \sum_{z' \in Z} \pi(z'|z) V(k', z') \}.$$

where we have assumed a first order Markov process for  $\{z_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ .

The solution to this problem involves the policy rule:

$$k' = g(k, z)$$

如果我们进一步假设  $Z$  有有限个元素,

$$Z = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$$

则上述问题可以写成如下形式:

$$V_i(k) = \max_{k'} \{ u[z_i f(k) - k' + (1-\delta)k] + \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_{ij} V_j(k') \},$$

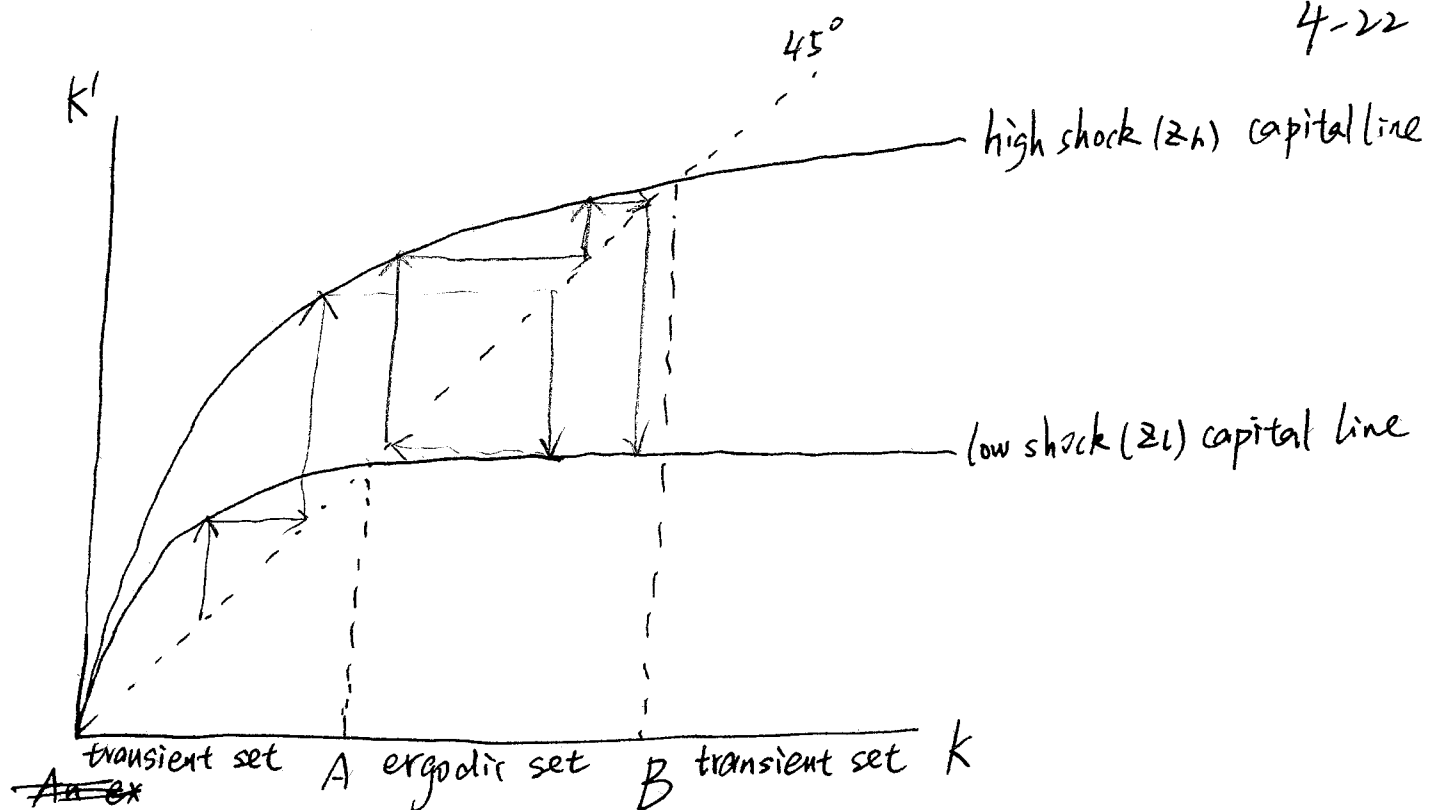
$$\text{where } \pi_{ij} \equiv \pi(z_{t+1} = z_j | z_t = z_i)$$

#### 4.3.1 Stationary stochastic process for $(k, z)$

We want to find the probability distribution over values of  $(k, z)$ , which is preserved at  $t+1$  if applied at time  $t$ .

Example:  $z$  takes two values,  $z \in \{z_L, z_H\}$

概念: transient set: a set of values of capital, which cannot occur in the long run  
ergodic set: a set, that the capital will never leave once it is there.



· An example of  $(k, z)$  stochastic process when  $z \in (z_l, z_h)$

· 记  $P(k, z)$  为 joint density, 平稳的随机过程要求这一密度函数不随时间变化

· 由于  $z$  只有两个可能的取值, 可记  $P(k, z) = (P_h(k), P_l(k))$

· 由于  $P(k, z)$  为平稳状态下的密度函数, 只有在资本  $k$  属于上述讨论的 ergodic set 中,  $P(k, z)$  的取值不为零

·  $P(k, z)$  满足如下属性:

1.  $\int (P_h(k) + P_l(k)) dk = 1$ , 即在  $(z, k)$  空间中的概率为 1

2.  $\int P_h(k) dk = \pi_h$

$\int P_l(k) dk = \pi_l$

where  $\pi_l$  and  $\pi_h$  are invariant probabilities of  $z_l$  and  $z_h$

3.  $\text{Prob}\{k \leq \bar{k}, z = z_h\} = \int_{k \leq \bar{k}} P_h(k) dk = \left[ \int_{k: g_h(k) \leq \bar{k}} P_h(k) dk \right] \pi_{hh} + \left[ \int_{k: g_l(k) \leq \bar{k}} P_l(k) dk \right] \pi_{lh}$

$\text{Prob}\{k \leq \bar{k}, z = z_l\} = \int_{k \leq \bar{k}} P_l(k) dk = \left[ \int_{k: g_h(k) \leq \bar{k}} P_h(k) dk \right] \pi_{hl} + \left[ \int_{k: g_l(k) \leq \bar{k}} P_l(k) dk \right] \pi_{ll}$

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Solving the model: linearization of the Euler equation

The planner's problem can give us the following Euler equation.

$$\underbrace{U'[z f(k) + (1-\delta)k - k']}_{LHS} = \underbrace{\beta E_z[U'[z' f(k') + (1-\delta)k' - k''] \cdot [z' f'(k') + 1-\delta]}_{RHS}$$

example: suppose that  $\{z_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$  follows an AR(1) process.

$$z_{t+1} = \rho z_t + (1-\rho)\bar{z} + \varepsilon_{t+1}$$

where  $|\rho| < 1$ ,  $E(\varepsilon_t) = 0$ ,  $E(\varepsilon_t^2) = \sigma^2 < \infty$ ,  $E(\varepsilon_t \varepsilon_{t+j}) = 0 \quad \forall j \geq 1$

~~记  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z_t$~~

by  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z_t = \bar{z}$ , i.e. the long run value of  $z_t$

给定  $z_t$  的 long run value, the associated steady state level of capital  $\bar{k}$  is solved from the usual deterministic Euler equation.

$$U'(\bar{c}) = \beta U'(\bar{c}) [\bar{z} f(\bar{k}) + 1 - \delta]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\beta} = \bar{z} f(\bar{k}) + 1 - \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{k} = f^{-1}\left(\frac{\beta^{-1} - (1-\delta)}{\bar{z}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{c} = \bar{z} f(\bar{k}) - \delta \bar{k}$$

记  $\hat{k} \equiv k - \bar{k}$ ,  $\hat{z} \equiv z - \bar{z}$  即 deviations from steady state values.

(注意, 这里我们用线性化而不是之前的对数线性化。事实上, 这两种方法在实践中都很常用。)

· 我们利用一阶泰勒展开:

$$LHS \approx a_L \cdot \hat{z} + b_L \cdot \hat{k} + c_L \cdot \hat{k}' + d_L$$

$$RHS \approx E_z [a_R \cdot \hat{z}' + b_R \cdot \hat{k}' + c_R \cdot \hat{k}'] + d_R$$

where, the coefficients  $a_L, a_R, b_L$ , etc. are the derivatives of the expressions LHS and RHS with respect to the corresponding variables, evaluated at the steady state, for example.  $a_L = u''(\bar{c}) \cdot f(\bar{k})$

另外,  $LHS = RHS$  在  $\hat{z} = \hat{z}' = \hat{k} = \hat{k}' = \hat{k}'' = 0$  (the steady state) 时成立  
 所以有  $d_L = d_R$

· 我们可以利用差分方程的方法解, 也可以采用 guess and verify 的方法, 即, 猜测

$$\hat{k}' = g_k \cdot \hat{k} + g_z \cdot \hat{z}$$

$$\text{则 } LHS \approx a_L \cdot \hat{z} + b_L \cdot \hat{k} + c_L \cdot g_k \cdot \hat{k} + c_L \cdot g_z \cdot \hat{z} + d_L$$

$$RHS \approx a_R \cdot E_z[\hat{z}'] + b_R \cdot g_k \cdot \hat{k} + b_R \cdot g_z \cdot \hat{z} + c_R \cdot g_k^2 \cdot \hat{k} + c_R \cdot g_k \cdot g_z \cdot \hat{z} + c_R \cdot g_z \cdot E_z[\hat{z}'] + d_R$$

$LHS = RHS$  对任意  $\hat{k}, \hat{z}$  都成立, 则

$$\hat{z} \cdot A + E_z[\hat{z}'] \cdot B + \hat{k} \cdot C = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\text{where } A = a_L + c_L \cdot g_z - b_R \cdot g_z - c_R \cdot g_k \cdot g_z$$

$$B = -a_R - c_R \cdot g_z$$

$$C = b_L + c_L \cdot g_k - b_R \cdot g_k - c_R \cdot g_k^2$$



由于我们假设:  $z_{t+1} = \rho z_t + (1-\rho)\bar{z} + \varepsilon_{t+1}$

then,  $\hat{z}' \equiv z' - \bar{z}$

$$= \rho z + (1-\rho)\bar{z} + \varepsilon' - \bar{z}$$

$$= \rho \underbrace{(z - \bar{z})}_{\hat{z}} + \varepsilon'$$

$$\Rightarrow E_z(\hat{z}') = \rho \hat{z}$$

利用上式, 我们把 (\*) 式写为:

$$\hat{z}A + \hat{k}B = 0$$

where  $A = a_L + C_L g_z - a_K \rho - b_K g_z - C_K g_K g_z - C_K g_z \rho$

$$B = b_L + C_L g_K - b_K g_K - C_K g_K^2$$

则解满足:  $A = 0$

$$B = 0$$

### 4.3.3. Simulation and impulse response

· 给定我们解出  $g_K, g_z$  后, 我们可以通过随机抽取  $\{\hat{\varepsilon}_t\}$  对模型进行数值模拟

· 假设我们对一个一次性的技术冲击感兴趣, 则  $\hat{\varepsilon}_0 = \Delta$ ,  $\hat{\varepsilon}_{t+1} = \rho \hat{\varepsilon}_t$ ,

则我们有:  $\hat{k}_0 = 0$

$$\hat{k}_1 = g_z \cdot \Delta$$

$$\hat{k}_2 = g_K \cdot \hat{k}_1 + g_z \cdot \rho \cdot \Delta = (g_K g_z + g_z \rho) \Delta$$

$\vdots$

$$\hat{k}_t = (g_K^{t-1} + g_K^{t-2} \rho + \dots + g_K \rho^{t-2} + \rho^{t-1}) \cdot g_z \cdot \Delta$$

and  $|g_K| < 1, |\rho| < 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \hat{k}_t = 0$



# Recursive formulation issue

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There is one more issue to discuss: it involves the choice of state variable in recursive formulation. 选择状态变量的技巧.

考虑如下问题:

$$\max_{\{C_t(z^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} \beta^t \pi(z^t) u(C_t(z^t))$$

$$s.t. \quad z^t = (z_L, z^{t+1}): C_t(z^t) + q_{h,t}(z^t) a_{h,t+1}(z^t) + q_{L,t}(z^t) a_{L,t+1}(z^t) = W_t(z^t) + a_{L,t}(z^{t-1}), \forall t, z$$

$$z^t = (z_h, z^{t+1}): C_t(z^t) + q_{h,t}(z^t) a_{h,t+1}(z^t) + q_{L,t}(z^t) a_{L,t+1}(z^t) = W_t(z^t) + a_{h,t}(z^{t-1}), \forall t, z$$

and no-Ponzi-game condition

where  $z_t$  follows a first order Markov process and  $z_t \in \{z_h, z_L\}$ .

To simplify matters, suppose that.

$$z_t = z_L: W_t(z^t) = W_L$$

$$z_t = z_h: W_t(z^t) = W_h$$

那么, 哪些变量是状态变量?  $z_t$  自然是其中之一。

另一个状态变量则为 wealth, 记为  $x$ , 我们将其定义为:

$$z_t = z_L: x_t(z^t) = W_L + a_{L,t}(z^{t-1})$$

$$z_t = z_h: x_t(z^t) = W_h + a_{h,t}(z^{t-1})$$

即, the sum of the endowment and the income from asset holdings.

The recursive formulation is now.

$$V(x, z_i) \equiv V_i(x) = \max_{a'_i, a'_h} \{ u(x - q_{ih} a'_h - q_{iL} a'_L) + \beta [\pi_{ih} V_h(\underbrace{W_h + a'_{h,i}}_{x'_h}) + \pi_{iL} V_L(\underbrace{W_L + a'_{L,i}}_{x'_L})] \}$$

where the policy rules are now

$$a'_h = g_{ih}(w)$$

$$a'_L = g_{iL}(w), \quad i = L, h$$

是否可以用  $a$  作为状态变量? 是! 但是在那种情况下我们将不得不使用两个状态变量.  $n, \ln n$ . 所以显然让状态变量是 wealth,  $x$

## 4.3 Competitive equilibrium under uncertainty

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### 4.3.1 The neoclassical growth model with complete markets

#### Arrow-Debreu date-0 trading

The Arrow-Debreu date-0 competitive equilibrium is

$$\{C_t(z^t), k_{t+1}(z^t), l_t(z^t), p_t(z^t), r_t(z^t), w_t(z^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$$

such that

1. Consumer's problem is to find  $\{C_t(z^t), k_{t+1}(z^t), l_t(z^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$  which solve

$$\max_{\{C_t(z^t), k_{t+1}(z^t), l_t(z^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} \beta^t \pi(z^t) u(C_t(z^t), 1-l_t(z^t))$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} p_t(z^t) [C_t(z^t) + k_{t+1}(z^t)] \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} p_t(z^t) [(r_t(z^t) + 1-\delta)k_t(z^t) + w_t(z^t) \cdot l_t(z^t)]$$

2. First-order conditions from firm's problem are:

$$r_t(z^t) = z_t F_k(k_t(z^{t-1}), l_t(z^t))$$

$$w_t(z^t) = z_t F_L(k_t(z^{t-1}), l_t(z^t))$$

3. Market clearing is

$$C_t(z^t) + k_{t+1}(z^t) = (1-\delta)k_t(z^{t-1}) + z^t F(k_t(z^{t-1}), l_t(z^t)), \forall t, \forall z^t$$

You should be able to show the Euler equation in this problem is identical to the Euler equation in the planner's problem.

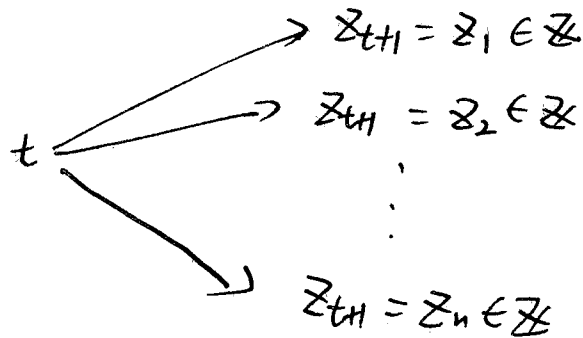
我们将上述问题中, 所有关于  $k_{t+1}(z^t)$  的项整理到一起!

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} k_{t+1}(z^t) [-p_t(z^t) + \sum_{z^{t+1} \in Z^{t+1}} p_{t+1}(z^{t+1}, z^t) [r_{t+1}(z^{t+1}, z^t) + 1-\delta]]$$

If  $-p_t(z^t) + \sum_{z^{t+1} \in Z^{t+1}} p_{t+1}(z^{t+1}, z^t) [r_{t+1}(z^{t+1}, z^t) + 1-\delta] \geq 0$ , then  $k_{t+1}(z^t) = \infty$  or  $-\infty$  gives unbounded wealth. 所以, 在均衡中, 上述式子等于零。这一条件称为 no-arbitrage condition, stating in equilibrium the price of a unit of capital must equal its future value, summed across all states

# Sequential trade

- We assume the existence of one-period assets, and  $\mathcal{Z}$  is a finite set with  $n$  possible shock values:



- Assume there are  $q$  assets, with asset  $j$  paying off  $r_{ij}$  consumption units in  $t+1$  if the realized state is  $z_i$ . The following matrix shows the payoff of each asset for every realization of  $z_{t+1}$ :

$$\begin{matrix} & a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_q \\ \begin{matrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1q} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & \dots & r_{2q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{n1} & r_{n2} & \dots & r_{nq} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \equiv R$$

- Then the portfolio  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_q)'$  pays  $p$  (in terms of consumption goods at  $t+1$ ), where

$$p = R \cdot a$$

$\begin{matrix} n \times 1 & n \times q & q \times 1 \end{matrix}$

and each component  $p_i = \sum_{j=1}^q r_{ij} a_j$  is the amount of consumption goods obtained in state  $i$  from holding portfolio  $a$ .

- If  $\text{rank}(R) = n$ , then the market structure is complete.

example, Arrow security with  $q < n \Rightarrow$  incomplete

$$\begin{matrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_q \\ z_{q+1} \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_q \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### 4.3.2 General equilibrium under uncertainty: the case of two agents types in a two-period setting 4-29

Assumptions:

1) Random shock:  $z \in \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n\}$   
 $\pi_j = \Pr(z = z_j)$

$$\bar{z} = \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j z_j, \text{ the expected value of } z$$

2) preference.  $U_i = U_i(c_0^i) + \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j U_i(c_j^i)$ ,  $i=1,2$

where  $U_1(x) = x$ ,  $U_2(x)$  is strictly concave ( $U_2' > 0$ ,  $U_2'' < 0$ ). we also assume that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} U_2'(x) = \infty$ .

That is, Agent 1 is risk neutral and Agent 2 is risk averse.

3) Endowments: No consumption goods in period 0.  
one unit of labor in period 1.

4) Technology:  $y_j = z_j k^{\alpha} \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{1-\alpha}$

we know that  $n=2$ , so

$$y_j = z_j k^{\alpha}$$

$\Rightarrow$  in period 1, if state  $j$  is realized, we have

$$r_j = z_j \alpha k^{\alpha-1}$$

$$w_j = z_j \frac{(1-\alpha)}{2} k^{\alpha}$$

Structure 1 - one asset. (incomplete market)

Capital is the only asset that is traded in this setup.

with  $K$  denotes the aggregate capital stock,  $a_i$  denotes the capital stock held by agent  $i$ , so the asset market clearing requires that:

$$a_1 + a_2 = K$$

the budget constraints for each agent is:

$$c_0^i + a_i = w_0 \rightarrow \text{endowment}$$

$$c_j^i = a_i r_j + w_j \rightarrow \text{wage rate}$$

Agent 1: The maximized utility function and the constraints are linear in this case. We therefore use the no-arbitrage condition to express optimality. (注: 亦可通过 Euler 方程得到类似结论)

$$[-1 + \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j r_j] a_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j \alpha z_j K^{\alpha-1} = \alpha \beta K^{\alpha-1} \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j z_j}_{\bar{z}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The optimal choice of aggregate capital  $K$ , from Agent 1's preferences is given by:

$$K^* = (\bar{z} \alpha \beta)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$$

注: 只有随机冲击的均值有关, 这是因为 Agent 1 是 risk neutral.

Agent 2: Euler equation:

$$u_2'(w_0 - a_2) = \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_j u_2'(a_2 r_j^* + w_j^*) r_j^*$$

Given  $K^*$  from Agent 1's problem, we have the values of  $r_j^*$  and  $w_j^*$ .

we can solve for  $a_2^*$ , and  $a_1^* = K^* - a_2^*$ ,  $c_0^i = w_0 - a_i^*$

More importantly, Agent 2 will face a stochastic consumption prospect for period 1. 4-31

$$C_j^2 = a_2^* \cdot r_j^* + w_j^*, \text{ where } r_j^* \text{ and } w_j^* \text{ are stochastic.}$$

This implies that Agent 1 has NOT provided full insurance to Agent 2.

Structure 2 - Arrow securities (complete market)

- It is allowed to trade in  $n$  different Arrow securities in this setup.
- Let  $a_j$  denote the Arrow security paying off one unit of the realized state is  $z_j$  and zero otherwise. Let  $q_j$  denote the price of  $a_j$ .

- Total savings are thus given by

$$S \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n q_j (a_{1j} + a_{2j})$$

- Investment is the accumulation of capital,  $K$ . Then clearing of the savings-investment market requires that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n q_j (a_{1j} + a_{2j}) = K$$

- Total remuneration to capital services in state  $j$  is  $r_j K$   
clearing of (all of) the Arrow security markets requires that

$$a_{1j} + a_{2j} = K r_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n q_j (a_{1j} + a_{2j}) = K \sum_{j=1}^n q_j r_j$$

$$\Rightarrow K = K \sum_{j=1}^n q_j r_j$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n q_j r_j = 1, \text{ a no-arbitrage condition.}$$

The budget constraint of each Agent  $i$  is

$$C_0^i + \sum_{j=1}^n q_j a_{ij} = W_0$$

$$C_j^i = a_j + w_j, \text{ for } j=1, \dots, N$$

using the first-order conditions of Agent 1's problem, the equilibrium prices are:

$$q_j = \beta \pi_j$$

$$\text{and } K^* = (\bar{z} 2\beta)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \quad (\text{check derive it yourself})$$

Agent 2's problem yields the Euler equation.

$$U_2'(C_0^2) = \lambda = q_j^{-1} \beta \pi_j U_2'(C_j^2)$$

$$\text{since } q_j = \beta \pi_j$$

$$\Rightarrow U_2'(C_0^2) = U_2'(C_j^2), \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

Therefore, with the new market structure, Agent 2 is able to obtain full insurance from Agent 1.



General equilibrium under uncertainty: multiple-period model with two agent types.

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Structure 1 - one asset

Agent 1's problem is

$$\max \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t$$

$$\max \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{z^t \in Z^t} \beta^t \pi(z^t) C_t(z^t)$$

$$\text{s.t. } C_t(z^t) + a_{t+1}(z^t) = r_t(z^t) a_{t+1}(z^{t+1}) + w_t(z^t)$$

Firm's problem yields

$$r_t(z^t) = z_t \alpha k_t^{\alpha-1}(z^{t-1}) + 1 - \delta$$

$$w_t(z^t) = z_t \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{2} \right) k_t^{\alpha}(z^{t+1})$$

Market clearing condition is (for capital)

$$a_{t+1}(z^t) + a_{t+1}(z^t) = k_{t+1}(z^t)$$

F.O.C w.r.t.  $a_{t+1}(z^t)$  gives us

$$1 = \beta \sum_{z^{t+1}} \frac{\pi(z^{t+1}, z^t)}{\pi(z^t)} r_{t+1}(z^{t+1}, z^t)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \beta E_{z^{t+1}|z^t}(r_{t+1})$$

Using the formula for  $r_{t+1}$  from firm's first-order conditions, we get

$$1 = \beta \sum_{z^{t+1}} \pi(z^{t+1}|z^t) (z_{t+1} \alpha k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}(z^t) + 1 - \delta)$$

$$= \alpha \beta k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}(z^t) \underbrace{\sum_{z^{t+1}} \pi(z^{t+1}|z^t) z_{t+1}}_{E(z_{t+1}|z^t)} + \beta(1 - \delta)$$

$$\Rightarrow k_{t+1}(z^t) = \left[ \frac{1/\beta - 1 + \delta}{2E(z_{t+1}|z^t)} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}} \quad (1)$$

Agent 2's utility function is  $u(c_{2t}(z^t))$  and his first-order conditions yield:

$$u'(c_{2t}(z^t)) = \beta E_{z_{t+1}|z^t} [u'(c_{2,t+1}(z^{t+1})) (1 - \delta + 2z_{t+1} k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}(z^t))]. \quad (2)$$

利用 (1), (2) 式以及 Agent 2 的预算约束, 可以解出  $c_{2t}(z^t)$  以及  $k_{t+1}(z^t)$ 。进一步, 利用市场出清可以解出  $c_{1t}(z^t)$

Structure 2 - Arrow securities

这一建模方式下, 只有预算约束有相应改变:

$$c_t'(z^t) + \sum_{j=1}^n q_j(z^t) a_{j,t+1}'(z^t) = a_{1t}'(z^{t-1}) + u_t(z^t)$$

由于我们这里有多种资产, 无套利条件需要成立 (no-Arbitrage)

$$\sum_{j=1}^n q_j(z^t) a_{j,t+1}'(z^t) = k_{t+1}(z^t) \quad (\text{注: 这一式中都没有上标, 即 } a_{j,t+1} \text{ 和 } k_{t+1} \text{ 均表示总量, 是 aggregate variables.})$$

(上式亦可看作资本市场出清)

$$a_{j,t+1}'(z^t) = [1 - \delta + z_j 2 k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}(z^t)] \cdot k_{t+1}(z^t)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \sum_{j=1}^n q_j(z^t) [1 - \delta + z_j 2 k_{t+1}^{\alpha-1}(z^t)]$$

solving the first-order condition of Agent 1 w.r.t.  $a_{j,t+1}'(z^t)$  yields

$$q_{j,t}(z^t) = \beta \frac{\pi(z_j, z^t)}{\pi(z^t)} = \beta \pi(z_j | z^t) \quad (3)$$

Agent 2:

The first-order condition w.r.t.  $a_{j,t+1}^2(z^t)$  yields

$$0 = -\beta^t \pi(z^t) q_{jt}(z^t) u'(C_t^2(z^t)) + \beta^{t+1} \pi(z_j, z^t) u'(C_{t+1}^2(z_j, z^t))$$

把 (3) 式代入, 得

$$0 = -\beta^t \pi(z^t) \beta \frac{\pi(z_j, z^t)}{\pi(z^t)} u'(C_t^2(z^t)) + \beta^{t+1} \pi(z_j, z^t) u'(C_{t+1}^2(z_j, z^t))$$

$$\Rightarrow u'(C_t^2(z^t)) = u'(C_{t+1}^2(z_j, z^t))$$

$$\Rightarrow C_t^2(z^t) = C_{t+1}^2(z_j, z^t)$$

Agent 2 insures completely and his consumption does not vary across ~~the~~ states.