PS1 Solutions

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1 Consumption Allocation

Problem Setup

The Home agent's consumption basket is given by

$$C_t = \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1-\gamma}\right)^{1-\gamma},$$

where:

- $C_{T,t}$ is the quantity of the traded good (its price is normalized to 1),
- $C_{N,t}$ is the quantity of the domestic non-traded good (price $P_{N,t}$),
- γ is the expenditure share on the traded good.

The consumer minimizes total expenditure subject to attaining a given consumption level C_t . The problem is

$$\min_{C_{T,t}, C_{N,t}} P_t C_t = C_{T,t} + P_{N,t} C_{N,t}$$
s.t.
$$C_t = \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1-\gamma}\right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

Define the Lagrangian function:

$$\mathcal{L} = C_{T,t} + P_{N,t} C_{N,t} + \lambda \left(C_t - \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma} \right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1 - \gamma} \right)^{1 - \gamma} \right).$$

The FOCs with respect to $C_{T,t}$ and $C_{N,t}$ are:

$$\mathcal{L}_{C_{T,t}} = 1 - \lambda \gamma \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma - 1} \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1 - \gamma}\right)^{1 - \gamma} = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{C_{N,t}} = P_{N,t} - \lambda \left(1 - \gamma\right) \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \frac{1}{1 - \gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1 - \gamma}\right)^{-\gamma} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{P_{N,t}} = \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma} \frac{C_{N,t}}{C_{T,t}}.$$

The dual (expenditure) minimization problem yields the unit cost function (composite price index) for the consumption bundle:

$$P_t C_t = \min \left\{ C_{T,t} + P_{N,t} C_{N,t} : C_t = \left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1-\gamma}\right)^{1-\gamma} \right\}.$$

So, we have:

$$P_t C_T = C_{T,t} + P_{N,t} C_{N,t}$$

$$= C_{T,t} + \frac{1 - \gamma}{\gamma} C_{T,t}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{T,t} = \gamma P_t C_t$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{N,t} = \frac{1 - \gamma}{\gamma} \frac{C_{T,t}}{P_{N,t}}$$

$$= (1 - \gamma) P_t C_t.$$

As P_t is the minimum expenditure required to attain the given consumption level $C_t = 1$, we have:

$$\left(\frac{C_{T,t}}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{C_{N,t}}{1-\gamma}\right)^{1-\gamma} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (P_t C_t)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{P_t C_t}{P_N, t}\right)^{1-\gamma} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}.$$

Analogously, for the Foreign agent, we have

$$C_{T,t}^* = \gamma P_t^* C_t^*$$

$$C_{N,t}^* = (1 - \gamma) P_t^* C_t^*$$

$$P_t^* = (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma}.$$

Economic Intuition

- The parameter γ reflects the expenditure share on the traded good.
- Since the traded good is the numéraire (price normalized to 1), its cost enters directly, while the cost of the non-traded good is weighted by its price $P_{N,t}$.
- The composite price index P_t is a weighted geometric mean of the individual prices. With the traded goods price equal to 1, we have $P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}$.
- The optimal consumption choices allocate expenditure in a way that equates the marginal rate of substitution to the ratio of prices.

2 Market Clearing

Under market clearing, the quantities of traded and non-traded goods produced must equal the quantities consumed. We have:

Non-Traded Goods Market

For Home, market clearing in non-traded goods is:

$$n C_{N,t} = A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}.$$

Substituting $C_{N,t} = (1 - \gamma) \frac{P_t C_t}{P_{N,t}}$ with $P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}$, we obtain:

$$n(1-\gamma) (P_{N,t})^{-\gamma} C_t = A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}.$$

For Foreign, the market clearing condition is: $(1-n)C_{N,t}^* = A_{N,t}^*(L_{N,t}^*)^{(1-\alpha)}$

$$(1-n)(1-\gamma) (P_{N,t}^*)^{-\gamma} C_t^* = A_{N,t}^* (L_{N,t}^*)^{1-\alpha}.$$

Traded Goods Market

Global market clearing for traded goods is:

$$n C_{T,t} + (1-n) C_{T,t}^* = A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,t}^* ((1-n) - L_{N,t}^*)^{1-\alpha}.$$

Substituting $C_{T,t} = \gamma P_t C_t$ with $P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}$ (and similarly for Foreign), we have:

$$n\gamma (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma} C_t + (1-n)\gamma (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma} C_t^* = A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,t}^* ((1-n) - L_{N,t}^*)^{1-\alpha}.$$

Intuition: Non-traded goods are produced and consumed domestically, while traded goods are balanced across countries.

3 Intertemporal Allocation

Home Optimization

The Home agent maximizes:

$$U_t = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (\beta_{H,t+s})^s \ln C_{t+s},$$

subject to the period-t budget constraint:

$$n P_t C_t + n B_{t+1} = A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + P_{N,t} A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + n(1+r_t) B_t.$$

Focusing on a single period (the infinite-horizon structure is standard), we write:

$$\mathcal{L} = \ln C_t + \beta_{H,t+1} \ln C_{t+1} - \lambda_t \left[A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + P_{N,t} A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + n(1+r_t) B_t - n P_t C_t - n B_{t+1} \right].$$

Take the FOCs:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial C_t} = \frac{1}{C_t} - \lambda_t n P_t = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_t = \frac{1}{n P_t C_t}$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial B_{t+1}} = -\lambda_t + \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) \lambda_{t+1} = 0.$$

Substitute the expressions for λ_t and λ_{t+1} :

$$\frac{1}{nP_t C_t} = \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{1}{nP_{t+1} C_{t+1}}.$$

Cancel n and rearrange:

$$\frac{1}{C_t} = \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \frac{1}{C_{t+1}}.$$

Set:

$$1 + r_{t+1}^C \equiv (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}},$$

so the Euler equation becomes:

$$C_{t+1} = \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}^C) C_t.$$

From Question (1), we know that $P_t = (P_{N,t})^{(1-\gamma)}$, so, we have:

$$1 + r_{t+1}^C = (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} = (1 + r_{t+1}) \left(\frac{P_{N,t}}{P_{N,t+1}}\right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

Since

$$C_{T,t} = \gamma P_t C_t$$

it follows that

$$C_{T,t+1} = \gamma P_{t+1} C_{t+1} = \gamma P_{t+1} \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}^C) C_t.$$

As we note that

$$\beta_{H,t+1}(1+r_{t+1}^C) = \beta_{H,t+1}(1+r_{t+1})\frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}},$$

so simplifying, we obtain:

$$C_{T,t+1} = \beta_{H,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) C_{T,t}.$$

Remark. The Foreign agent's optimization yields analogous Euler equations:

$$C_{t+1}^* = \beta_{F,t+1} (1 + r_{C,t+1}^*) C_t^*, \quad C_{T,t+1}^* = \beta_{F,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) C_{T,t}^*,$$

with

$$1 + r_{t+1}^{*C} = (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{P_t^*}{P_{t+1}^*}.$$

Foreign Optimization

Similarly, for the Foreign country:

$$C_{t+1}^* = \beta_{F,t+1} (1 + r_{C,t+1}^*) C_t^*, \qquad C_{T,t+1}^* = \beta_{F,t+1} (1 + r_{t+1}) C_{T,t}^*,$$

with

$$1 + r_{t+1}^{*C} = (1 + r_{t+1}) \left(\frac{P_{N,t}^*}{P_{N,t+1}^*} \right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

Intuition: Households equate the marginal utility cost of consuming today versus tomorrow, with intertemporal decisions affected by relative price changes.

4 Labor Allocation

The production functions are given by:

$$Y_{T,t} = A_{T,t}(n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}, \quad Y_{N,t} = A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}.$$

Compute the marginal product of labor in each sector:

$$\frac{\partial Y_{T,t}}{\partial (n - L_{N,t})} = (1 - \alpha) A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{-\alpha},$$

$$\frac{\partial Y_{N,t}}{\partial L_{N,t}} = (1 - \alpha) A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{-\alpha}.$$

The Home agent allocates labor so that the marginal value product in the traded sector equals the marginal value product (adjusted by the non-traded price) in the non-traded sector:

$$(1 - \alpha)A_{T,t}(n - L_{N,t})^{-\alpha} = P_{N,t}(1 - \alpha)A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{-\alpha}.$$

Cancel the common factor $1 - \alpha$ and rearrange:

$$A_{T,t}(n-L_{N,t})^{-\alpha} = P_{N,t} A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{-\alpha}.$$

The analogous condition for the Foreign country is:

$$A_{T,t}^* ((1-n) - L_{N,t}^*)^{-\alpha} = P_{N,t}^* A_{N,t}^* (L_{N,t}^*)^{-\alpha}.$$

5 Resource Constraints and the Real Exchange Rate

Resource Constraints

Recall the Home budget constraint:

$$n P_t C_t + n B_{t+1} = A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + P_{N,t} A_{N,t} (L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + n(1+r_t) B_t.$$

From Question 1, we have:

$$C_{N,t} = (1 - \gamma) \frac{P_t}{P_{N,t}} C_t.$$

Since $P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}$, then:

$$C_{N,t} = (1 - \gamma)(P_{N,t})^{-\gamma}C_t.$$

Given that non-traded goods are produced solely for domestic consumption, we also have the production identity (from Question 2):

$$n(1-\gamma)(P_{N,t})^{-\gamma}C_t = A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}.$$

Thus, the expenditure on traded goods (which uses the consumption price index) plus net asset accumulation must equal traded output plus bond returns:

$$n\gamma (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}C_t + n B_{t+1} = A_{T,t}(n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + n(1+r_t)B_t.$$

Similarly, for Foreign we obtain:

$$(1-n)\gamma (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma}C_t^* - n B_{t+1} = A_{T,t}^* ((1-n) - L_{N,t}^*)^{1-\alpha} - n(1+r_t)B_t.$$

Then, we define the real exchange rate as the ratio of Foreign to Home consumption price indices:

$$Q_t \equiv \frac{P_t^*}{P_t}.$$

Since

$$P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}$$
 and $P_t^* = (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma}$,

we have:

$$Q_t = \left(\frac{P_{N,t}^*}{P_{N,t}}\right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

6 Steady State

In steady state, consumption is constant so that $C_{t+1} = C_t$. The Euler equation for the Home agent is

$$C_{t+1} = \beta_0 (1 + r_{t+1}^C) C_t.$$

But by definition the real return in consumption units is

$$1 + r_{t+1}^C = (1 + r_{t+1}) \left(\frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}}\right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

In steady state prices do not change $(P_t = P_{t+1})$ so that

$$1 + r_{t+1}^C = 1 + r_{t+1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_t = \beta_0 (1 + r_0) C_t.$$

Dividing by $C_t > 0$ yields:

$$1 = \beta_0 (1 + r_0).$$

Step 2. Price Normalization

By convention we normalize the steady state price of non-tradables to one:

$$P_{N,0} = 1$$
, and similarly $P_{N,0}^* = 1$.

Then the consumption price indices become

$$P_0 = (P_{N,0})^{1-\gamma} = 1, \quad P_0^* = 1.$$

Step 3. Labor Allocation in the Home Country

The Home intratemporal labor allocation condition is:

$$A_{T,0} (n - L_{N,0})^{-\alpha} = P_{N,0} A_{N,0} (L_{N,0})^{-\alpha}.$$

Since $P_{N,0} = 1$, this simplifies to:

$$A_{T,0} (n - L_{N,0})^{-\alpha} = A_{N,0} (L_{N,0})^{-\alpha}$$

Rearrange by dividing both sides by $A_{T,0}$ and by $(L_{N,0})^{-\alpha}$:

$$\left(\frac{n-L_{N,0}}{L_{N,0}}\right)^{-\alpha} = \frac{A_{N,0}}{A_{T,0}}.$$

Taking the reciprocal and then the $1/\alpha$ -th root,

$$\frac{n - L_{N,0}}{L_{N,0}} = \left(\frac{A_{T,0}}{A_{N,0}}\right)^{1/\alpha}.$$

Now, using the calibration

$$A_{N,0} = A_{T,0} \left(\frac{1 - \gamma}{\gamma} \right)^{\alpha},$$

we have

$$\frac{A_{T,0}}{A_{N,0}} = \left(\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}\right)^{\alpha}.$$

Then,

$$\frac{n - L_{N,0}}{L_{N,0}} = \left[\left(\frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma} \right)^{\alpha} \right]^{1/\alpha} = \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma}.$$

Thus,

$$L_{N,0} = n(1 - \gamma).$$

By symmetry, the corresponding condition for Foreign is:

$$A_{T,0}^* \Big((1-n) - L_{N,0}^* \Big)^{-\alpha} = P_{N,0}^* A_{N,0}^* (L_{N,0}^*)^{-\alpha}.$$

Since $P_{N,0}^* = 1$, the same steps lead to:

$$\frac{(1-n) - L_{N,0}^*}{L_{N,0}^*} = \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma},$$

so that

$$L_{N,0}^* = (1-n)(1-\gamma).$$

We derive the steady-state consumption from the market clearing conditions for non-traded and traded goods. The non-traded goods clearing condition is

$$n C_{N,0} = A_{N,0} (L_{N,0})^{1-\alpha}.$$

From Question 1 we have

$$C_{N,0} = (1 - \gamma) \frac{P_0}{P_{N,0}} C_0.$$

Since $P_0 = 1$ and $P_{N,0} = 1$, it follows that

$$C_{N,0} = (1 - \gamma) C_0.$$

Substitute into the clearing condition:

$$n(1-\gamma)C_0 = A_{N,0}(L_{N,0})^{1-\alpha}$$
.

Recall that $L_{N,0} = n(1 - \gamma)$, so

$$n(1-\gamma) C_0 = A_{N,0} [n(1-\gamma)]^{1-\alpha}$$
.

Solve for C_0 :

$$C_0^N = A_{N,0} \left[n(1-\gamma) \right]^{-\alpha}.$$

We then derive from the traded goods clearing condition:

$$n\gamma (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma} C_t + (1-n)\gamma (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma} C_t^* = A_{T,t} (n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,t}^* \left((1-n) - L_{N,t}^* \right)^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma} A_{N,0}^* (L_{N,0}^*)^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n - L_{N,0})^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0}^* (1-n - L_{N,0}^*)^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma} A_{N,0}^* (1-n)^{1-\alpha} (1-\gamma)^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n - n(1-\gamma))^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0}^* (1-n - (1-n)(1-\gamma))^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma} A_{N,0}^* (1-n)^{1-\alpha} (1-\gamma)^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n\gamma)^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0}^* \left[(1-n)\gamma \right]^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma} A_{T,0} \left(\frac{1-n}{n} \right)^{\alpha} \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{\gamma} \right)^{\alpha} (1-n)^{1-\alpha} (1-\gamma)^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n\gamma)^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0} \left(\frac{1-n}{n} \right)^{\alpha} \left[(1-n)\gamma \right]^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + A_{T,0} (1-n)n^{-\alpha} \gamma^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n\gamma)^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0} (1-n)n^{-\alpha} \gamma^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\gamma C_0 + A_{T,0} (1-n)n^{-\alpha} \gamma^{1-\alpha} = A_{T,0} (n\gamma)^{1-\alpha} + A_{T,0} (1-n)n^{-\alpha} \gamma^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0^T = A_{T,0} (n\gamma)^{-\alpha}.$$

We take a weighted geometric mean with weights γ and $1 - \gamma$. That is,

$$C_0 = (C_0^N)^{1-\gamma} \cdot (C_0^T)^{\gamma},$$

so that

$$C_0 = [A_{N,0} n^{-\alpha} (1 - \gamma)^{-\alpha}]^{1-\gamma} [A_{T,0} n^{-\alpha} \gamma^{-\alpha}]^{\gamma}.$$

We obtain:

$$C_0 = (A_{T,0})^{\gamma} (A_{N,0})^{1-\gamma} \left[n \gamma^{\gamma} (1-\gamma)^{1-\gamma} \right]^{-\alpha}.$$

A similar derivation for Foreign (noting that the population is 1-n) gives:

$$C_0^* = (A_{T,0}^*)^{\gamma} (A_{N,0}^*)^{1-\gamma} \left[(1-n)\gamma^{\gamma} (1-\gamma)^{1-\gamma} \right]^{-\alpha}.$$

Because of the calibration (and the fact that the relative productivities satisfy

$$\frac{A_{N,0}}{A_{T,0}} = \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{\gamma}\right)^{\alpha} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{A_{N,0}^*}{A_{T,0}^*} = \left(\frac{1-n}{n}\right)^{\alpha} \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{\gamma}\right)^{\alpha},$$

we can check that indeed

$$\frac{C_0}{C_0^*} = 1.$$

7 Log-Linear Approximation

We linearize the equilibrium conditions around the steady state. Denote for any variable x_t its deviation from steady state by

$$\hat{x}_t = \frac{x_t - x_0}{x_0}.$$

We also define cross-country differences later but for now we linearize the Home equations.

A. Non-Traded Goods Market

The Home non-traded goods market clearing condition is:

$$n(1-\gamma)(P_{N,t})^{-\gamma}C_t = A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha}.$$

Taking logarithms, we have

$$\ln n + \ln(1 - \gamma) - \gamma \ln P_{N,t} + \ln C_t = \ln A_{N,t} + (1 - \alpha) \ln L_{N,t}$$

Linearizing around the steady state (and noting that constants vanish in the difference), we obtain:

$$-\gamma \,\hat{P}_{N,t} + \hat{C}_t = \hat{A}_{N,t} + (1 - \alpha) \,\hat{L}_{N,t}.$$

B. Resource Constraint

The Home resource constraint is:

$$n\gamma (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}C_t + nB_{t+1} = A_{T,t}(n - L_{N,t})^{1-\alpha} + n(1+r_t)B_t.$$

Taking logs and linearizing (and assuming that in steady state $B_t = 0$, so only percentage deviations matter), we have:

$$(1 - \gamma) \hat{P}_{N,t} + \hat{C}_t + \hat{B}_{t+1} = \hat{A}_{T,t} - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(n - L_{N,0})}{n - L_{N,0}} \hat{L}_{N,t} + \frac{1}{\beta_0} \hat{B}_t.$$

Since in steady state $n - L_{N,0} = n\gamma$, the coefficient on $\hat{L}_{N,t}$ becomes $(1 - \alpha)$. Thus,

$$(7b) \hat{P}_{N,t} + \hat{C}_t + \hat{B}_{t+1} = \hat{A}_{T,t} - (1 - \alpha) \hat{L}_{N,t} + \frac{1}{\beta_0} \hat{B}_t.$$

C. Euler Equation

The Home Euler equation is:

$$C_{t+1} = \beta_0 (1 + r_{t+1}^C) C_t.$$

Taking logs,

$$\ln C_{t+1} - \ln C_t = \ln \beta_0 + \ln(1 + r_{t+1}^C).$$

Linearizing (and noting $\ln \beta_0$ is constant), we have

$$\hat{C}_{t+1} - \hat{C}_t = \hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} + \beta_0 \, \hat{r}_{C,t+1}.$$

Recall that the real rate in consumption terms is related to the non-traded price by

$$1 + r_{t+1}^C = (1 + r_{t+1}) \left(\frac{P_{N,t}}{P_{N,t+1}}\right)^{1-\gamma}.$$

Taking logs and linearizing,

$$\ln(1 + r_{t+1}^C) \approx \ln(1 + r_{t+1}) + (1 - \gamma)(\ln P_{N,t} - \ln P_{N,t+1}),$$

so that

$$\hat{r}_{C,t+1} \approx \hat{r}_{t+1} + (1 - \gamma)(\hat{P}_{N,t} - \hat{P}_{N,t+1}).$$

Thus, we can write the Euler equation as:

$$\hat{C}_{t+1} - \hat{C}_t = (1 - \gamma)(\hat{P}_{N,t} - \hat{P}_{N,t+1}) + \hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} + \beta_0 \,\hat{r}_{t+1}.$$
(7c)

D. Labor Allocation

The intratemporal condition is:

$$A_{T,t}(n-L_{N,t})^{-\alpha} = P_{N,t} A_{N,t}(L_{N,t})^{-\alpha}.$$

Taking logarithms:

$$\ln A_{T,t} - \alpha \ln(n - L_{N,t}) = \ln P_{N,t} + \ln A_{N,t} - \alpha \ln L_{N,t}.$$

Linearize around steady state:

$$\hat{A}_{T,t} - \alpha \frac{n - L_{N,t}}{n - L_{N,0}} (n - \hat{L}_{N,t}) = \hat{P}_{N,t} + \hat{A}_{N,t} - \alpha \hat{L}_{N,t}.$$

Using the fact that in steady state $n - L_{N,0} = n\gamma$, a careful linearization (which involves the derivative of $\ln(n - L_{N,t})$) yields:

$$\hat{A}_{T,t} + \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \hat{L}_{N,t} = \hat{P}_{N,t} + \hat{A}_{N,t}.$$
(7d)

E. Real Exchange Rate

Since

$$P_t = (P_{N,t})^{1-\gamma}, \quad P_t^* = (P_{N,t}^*)^{1-\gamma},$$

taking logs gives

$$\hat{P}_t = (1 - \gamma) \, \hat{P}_{N,t}, \quad \hat{P}_t^* = (1 - \gamma) \, \hat{P}_{N,t}^*.$$

Thus, the log deviation of the real exchange rate defined by

$$Q_t = \frac{P_t^*}{P_t}$$

is

$$\hat{Q}_t = \hat{P}_t^* - \hat{P}_t = (1 - \gamma)(\hat{P}_{N,t}^* - \hat{P}_{N,t}).$$

8 Worldwide Equilibrium

Define world aggregates as population-weighted averages (e.g., $\hat{C}_t^W = n \, \hat{C}_t + (1-n) \, \hat{C}_t^*$). Then, from the above log-linearized equations one can show:

- $\hat{L}_{N,t}^W = 0$, i.e., aggregate non-traded labor remains fixed.
- The world non-traded price satisfies

$$\hat{P}_{N,t}^{W} = \hat{A}_{T,t}^{W} - \hat{A}_{N,t}^{W}.$$

• World consumption is given by

$$\hat{C}_{t}^{W} = \gamma \, \hat{A}_{T,t}^{W} + (1 - \gamma) \, \hat{A}_{N,t}^{W}.$$

• The world Euler equation becomes

$$\beta_0 \, \hat{r}_{t+1} = -\hat{\beta}_{t+1}^W + \left(\hat{A}_{T,t+1}^W - \hat{A}_{T,t}^W \right).$$

Intuition: World aggregates respond only to symmetric shocks, with the real interest rate driven by global productivity changes and aggregate patience.

9 Cross-Country Differences

Define differences as (Home minus Foreign) for a variable x by $\tilde{x}_t = \hat{x}_t - \hat{x}_t^*$. Then: Non-Traded Goods Market (Difference):

$$\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}\,\hat{Q}_t + \tilde{C}_t = \tilde{A}_{N,t} + (1-\alpha)\,\tilde{L}_{N,t}.\tag{9a}$$

Resource Constraints (Difference):

$$-\hat{Q}_t + \tilde{C}_t + \frac{\hat{B}_{t+1}}{1-n} = \tilde{A}_{T,t} - \frac{(1-\alpha)(1-\gamma)}{\gamma} \tilde{L}_{N,t}.$$
 (9b)

Euler Equation (Difference):

$$\tilde{C}_{t+1} - \tilde{C}_t = (1 - \gamma) \left[(\hat{P}_{N,t} - \hat{P}_{N,t}^*) - (\hat{P}_{N,t+1} - \hat{P}_{N,t+1}^*) \right] + (\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} - \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1}) + \beta_0 \left(\hat{r}_{C,t+1} - \hat{r}_{C,t+1}^* \right). \tag{9c}$$

Labor Allocation (Difference):

$$\frac{\alpha}{\gamma}\,\tilde{L}_{N,t} = -\frac{1}{1-\gamma}\,\hat{Q}_t - \tilde{A}_{N,t}.\tag{9d}$$

Intuition: These equations link cross-country differences in consumption, labor, and the real exchange rate to differences in productivity and intertemporal preferences.

10 Long-Run Allocation (Period t+1)

Assume that from t+1 onward the economy reaches a new steady state with no further discount factor shocks $(\hat{\beta}_{H,t+2} = \hat{\beta}_{F,t+2} = 0)$. Taking the cross-country asset position \hat{B}_{t+1} as given, one can show:

$$\hat{Q}_{t+1} = -(1 - \gamma) \left[(\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^*) - (\hat{A}_{N,t+1} - \hat{A}_{N,t+1}^*) \right] - \frac{\alpha(1 - \gamma)}{1 - \beta_0} \frac{1}{\beta_0} \frac{\hat{B}_{t+1}}{1 - n},$$

$$\tilde{L}_{N,t+1} = \frac{\gamma}{1 - \beta_0} \frac{1}{\beta_0} \frac{\hat{B}_{t+1}}{1 - n},$$

$$\tilde{C}_{t+1} = \gamma \left(\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^* \right) + (1 - \gamma) \left(\hat{A}_{N,t+1} - \hat{A}_{N,t+1}^* \right) + \frac{\gamma}{1 - \beta_0} \frac{1}{\beta_0} \frac{\hat{B}_{t+1}}{1 - n}.$$

Interpretation:

• A positive \hat{B}_{t+1} (Home wealthier) implies higher relative consumption and a lower Q_{t+1} (Homes goods become relatively more expensive).

 Permanent productivity differences affect steady state consumption and prices directly.

11 Short-Run Allocation (Period t)

Assume initially $\hat{B}_t = 0$. Solving the system (starting with the labor and non-traded market conditions, then using the resource constraint and Euler equations) yields:

$$\frac{\hat{B}_{t+1}}{1-n} = \frac{\beta_0}{\gamma + \alpha(1-\gamma)} \Big[(\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} - \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1}) - (\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^*) + (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) \Big], \quad (11a)$$

$$\tilde{C}_t = \gamma (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) + (1-\gamma) (\hat{A}_{N,t} - \hat{A}_{N,t}^*) - \frac{\gamma \beta_0}{\gamma + \alpha(1-\gamma)} \Big[(\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} - \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1}) - (\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^*) + (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) \Big], \quad (11b)$$

$$\hat{Q}_t = -(1-\gamma) (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) + (1-\gamma) (\hat{A}_{N,t} - \hat{A}_{N,t}^*) + \frac{(1-\gamma)\alpha\beta_0}{\gamma + \alpha(1-\gamma)} \Big[(\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} - \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1}) - (\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^*) + (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) \Big]. \quad (11c)$$

$$\tilde{L}_{N,t} = -\frac{\gamma\beta_0}{\gamma + \alpha(1-\gamma)} \Big[(\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} - \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1}) - (\hat{A}_{T,t+1} - \hat{A}_{T,t+1}^*) + (\hat{A}_{T,t} - \hat{A}_{T,t}^*) \Big]. \quad (11d)$$

Interpretation:

- A temporary increase in Home patience (i.e. $\hat{\beta}_{H,t+1} \hat{\beta}_{F,t+1} > 0$) leads to $\hat{B}_{t+1} > 0$ (Home runs a current account surplus), lower relative consumption, and a real exchange rate movement consistent with a trade surplus.
- Temporary traded or non-traded productivity shocks affect the current account and labor allocation differently.
- For permanent shocks $(\hat{A}_{T,t} = \hat{A}_{T,t+1})$, intertemporal balance is restored with $\hat{B}_{t+1} = 0$ and immediate adjustment to the new steady state.

12 Summary of Key Economic Insights

- Consumption and Prices: The structure of the consumption basket implies that a rise in the nontraded good price $P_{N,t}$ increases the overall consumption price P_t and shifts the consumption mix.
- Market Clearing: Non-traded goods are produced and consumed domestically, whereas traded goods are allocated internationally, linking domestic production choices to the real exchange rate.

• Intertemporal Choices: The Euler equations show that higher patience or higher real returns lead to deferred consumption. Cross-country differences in patience drive current account imbalances.

- Labor Allocation: Labor is reallocated across sectors until the marginal value products are equalized; productivity shifts affect both output composition and relative prices.
- Steady State and Log-Linearization: In a symmetric steady state, relative prices and allocations are balanced. Log-linearization permits analysis of small shocks and their propagation.
- Short-Run vs. Long-Run Dynamics: Temporary shocks generate current account imbalances and short-run reallocation, while permanent shocks adjust consumption and prices directly with no asset accumulation.
- Wealth Effects: A positive net asset position (Home wealthier) implies higher steady-state consumption and a relatively stronger (appreciated) currency.