

# Exam 2 Main Concepts

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## 1 Lesson 4

### 1.1 Job Finding Rate

Probability of find a job

$$f = \frac{H(U, V)}{U}$$

$$f = \gamma\sqrt{\theta}$$

$\frac{1}{f}$  - average length of unemployment

### 1.2 Vacancy Filling Rate

Probability of filling a vacancy

$$q = \frac{H(U, V)}{V}$$

$$q = \gamma(\theta)^{-1/2}$$

$\frac{1}{q}$  - average length of vacancy (time to fill)

### 1.3 Steady-State Unemployment

Natural rate of unemployment when  $f * U = s * E$ :

$$u^* = \frac{s}{(s + f(\theta))}$$

This is known as the Beveridge curve.

### 1.4 Vacancy-Supply Curve

$$\theta(w) = \left( \frac{\gamma * (y - w)}{s * k} \right)^2$$

### 1.5 Wage-Setting Curve

Will be given as  $w(\theta)$

## 2 Lesson 5

### 2.1 IBL

Find equation of consumption values from preferences and plug into  $PVLC = PVLR$

$$C_1 + \frac{C_2}{(1+r)} = (Y_1 + W_1) + \frac{(Y_2 + W_2)}{(1+r)}$$

- Y-intercept = Only Future consumption ( $C_2$ )
- X-intercept = Only Current consumption ( $C_1$ )
- intersection of IBL and  $y = x$  is  $C_1 = C_2$  (Consumption Smoothing)
- No-Lending/No-Borrowing Point
  - $C_1 = Y_1 + W_1$
  - $C_2 = Y_2 + W_2$
- Slope =  $-(1+r)$ 
  - $r$  = real interest rate

## 3 Lesson 6

### 3.1 UC = MPK

Firms will choose a level of capital (K) that maximizes profit by reaching the condition  $MB = MC$

MB = Expected marginal product of capital ( $MPK^e$ )

MC = User-cost of capital (UC)

$\pi_{max}$  when  $UC = MPK^e$

User Cost depends on:

- Real Price of capital ( $P_k$ )
- The depreciation rate ( $\delta$ )
- The real interest rate ( $r$ )
- The business tax on revenue ( $\tau$ )
- Investment Tax Credit (ITC)

$$UC = \frac{(r + \delta)(1 - ITC)P_k}{(1 - \tau)}$$

## 3.2 Savings and Investment

$I_t$  = Gross investment in year  $t$   $K_t$  = capital stock at beginning of year  $t$   $K_{t+1}$  = capital stock at beginning of year  $t + 1$

- Net investment =  $\Delta K$  during year  $t$   
 $- K_{t+1} - K_t$
- Net investment = gross investment - depreciation

### 3.2.1 Goods Market Equilibrium

- We are in a closed economy so  $NX = 0$
- Savings = Investment

$$I = Y - C - G$$

### 3.2.2 Savings Function

$$S = Y - C - G$$

- $Y$  +
- $Y_2$  -
- $W_1$  -
- $W_2$  -
- $T$  +
- Autonomous Consumption -
- Consumer confidence -
- $G$  -

### 3.2.3 Investment Function

$$I = K^* - K_t + \delta K_t$$

- $A$  +
- $AS$  +
- $\tau$  -
- $\delta$  -
- $P_k$  -
- ITC +

## 4 Lesson 7

### 4.1 Notation

- $L_t$  - Number of workers
- $n$  - growth rate of work force
  - population growth rate
- $K_t$  - capital stock
- $\delta$  - depreciation rate
- $Y_t$  - output (GDP)
- $C_t$  - consumption
- $I_t$  - gross investment
  - $C_t = Y_t - I_t$
- $y_t = \frac{Y_t}{L_t}$  - output per worker
- $c_t = \frac{C_t}{L_t}$  - consumption per worker
- $k_t = \frac{K_t}{L_t}$  - capital per worker (capital-labor ratio)
- $i_t = \frac{I_t}{L_t}$  - investment per worker

### 4.2 Steady-State

$$i = (n + \delta)k$$

$$y_t = Af(k_t)$$

$$c = Af(k) - (n + \delta)k$$

STEADY STATE CONDITION

$$sf(k) = (n + \delta)k$$

There are three main factors that change the solow model

1. Changes in TFP ( $A$ ) change  $sf(k)$
2. Changes in savings rate ( $s$ ) change  $sf(k)$
3. Changes in the population growth rate ( $n$ ) change  $(n + \delta)k$