

ECON 6140 - Problem Set # 2

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Government expenditure, corruption and output

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$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{c_t, l_t, n_t, k_{t+1}, c_t^g, x_t} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \{u(c_t, l_t) + v(c_t^g)\} \\ \text{s. t. } & c_t + x_t + g_t \leq z f(n_t, k_t) \\ & k_{t+1} \leq (1 - \delta_k) k_t + x_{kt} \\ & n_t + l_t \leq 1 \\ & c_t^g \leq \theta g_t \\ & c_t, l_t, n_t, k_{t+1}, c_t^g, x_t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & c_t : u_c(c_t, l_t) - \lambda_t = 0 \\ & c_t^g : v_c(c_t^g) - \eta_t = 0 \\ & n_t : \lambda_t z f_n(n_t, k_t) - \psi_t = 0 \\ & l_t : u_l(c_t, l_t) - \psi_t = 0 \\ & x_t : \mu_t - \lambda_t = 0 \\ & k_{t+1} : \beta \lambda_{t+1} z f_n(n_{t+1}, k_{t+1}) + \beta \mu_{t+1} (1 - \delta_k) - \mu_t = 0 \\ & \quad : c_t + x_t + g_t \leq z f(n_t, k_t) \\ & \quad : k_{t+1} \leq (1 - \delta_k) k_t + x_{kt} \\ & \quad : n_t + l_t \leq 1 \\ & \quad : c_t^g \leq \theta g_t \\ & TVC : \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \beta^T u_c(c_T, l_T) k_{T+1} = 0 \\ & \quad + \text{ complementary slackness conditions} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_c(c_t, 1 - n_t) &= \lambda_t \\
v_c(\theta g_t) &= \eta_t \\
\lambda_t z f_n(n_t, k_t) &= \psi_t \\
u_l(c_t, 1 - n_t) &= \psi_t \\
\mu_t &= \lambda_t \\
\beta \lambda_{t+1} z f_n(n_{t+1}, k_{t+1}) + \beta \mu_{t+1} (1 - \delta_k) &= \mu_t \\
c_t + k_{t+1} - (1 - \delta_k) k_t + g_t &= z f(n_t, k_t) \\
\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \beta^T u_c(c_T, 1 - n_T) k_{T+1} &= 0
\end{aligned}
\tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_c(c, 1 - n) &= \lambda \\
v_c(\theta g) &= \eta \\
\lambda z f_n(n, k) &= u_l(c, 1 - n) \\
\beta [z f_n(n, k) + (1 - \delta_k)] &= 1 \\
c + \delta_k k + g &= z f(n, k)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} z f_n(n_t, k_t) &> \frac{1}{\beta} - (1 - \delta_k) \\
\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z f_n(n_t, k_t) &< \frac{1}{\beta} - (1 - \delta_k)
\end{aligned}$$

$$z f(n, k) > \delta_k k$$

$$z f_k(n, k) > \delta_k$$

(4) (a)

$$\beta \left[z f_n \left(1, \frac{k}{n} \right) + (1 - \delta_k) \right] = 1$$

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(5) (a)

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Skill-biased technical change

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$$f_k(z, k_t, n_s, n_u) = \mu \lambda z (\lambda (\mu (k_t)^\rho + (1 - \mu) (n_s)^\rho)^{\frac{\sigma}{\rho}} + (1 - \lambda) n_u^\sigma)^{\frac{1}{\sigma} - 1} (\mu (k_t)^\rho + (1 - \mu) (n_s)^\rho)^{\frac{\sigma}{\rho} - 1} k^{\rho - 1}$$

$$f_{n_s}(z, k_t, n_s, n_u) = (1 - \mu) \lambda z (\lambda (\mu (k_t)^\rho + (1 - \mu) (n_s)^\rho)^{\frac{\sigma}{\rho}} + (1 - \lambda) n_u^\sigma)^{\frac{1}{\sigma} - 1} (\mu (k_t)^\rho + (1 - \mu) (n_s)^\rho)^{\frac{\sigma}{\rho} - 1} n_s^{\rho - 1}$$

$$\frac{f_k}{f_{n_s}} = \frac{\mu}{1 - \mu} \left(\frac{k}{n_s} \right)^{\rho - 1}$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{f_k}{f_{n_s}} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{\mu}{1 - \mu} \right) + (1 - \rho) \ln \left(\frac{n_s}{k} \right)$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{n_s}{k} \right) = \frac{1}{1 - \rho} \ln \left(\frac{f_k}{f_{n_s}} \right) - \frac{1}{1 - \rho} \ln \left(\frac{\mu}{1 - \mu} \right)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\partial \ln \left(\frac{n_s}{k} \right)}{\partial \ln \left(\frac{f_k}{f_{n_s}} \right)} = \frac{1}{1 - \rho}$$

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(4) (a)

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(5) (a)

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