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Today's Plan :-

1. Ramsey Problem
2. Chamley-Judd result
3. TDCE is not PO

TDCE allocation (given policy $\{\tau_{kt}, \tau_{nt}, g_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$) is characterized by :-

1) Normalise $p_0 = 1$:
$$P_t = \frac{\beta^t u'_c(t)}{u'_c(0)}$$

2)
$$\frac{u'_n(t)}{u'_c(t)} = F'_n(t) (1 - \tau_{nt})$$

3)
$$u'_c(t) = \beta u'_c(t+1) [F'_k(t+1) + 1 - \delta]$$

4)
$$F'_k = \frac{r_t}{P_t}$$

5)
$$F'_n = \frac{w_t}{P_t}$$

6)
$$n_t = n_t^f$$

7)
$$k_t = k_t^f$$

8)
$$c_t + g_t + x_t = F(k_t, n_t)$$

9)
$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} [P_t c_t + P_t x_t] = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} (r_t k_t (1 - \tau_{kt}) + w_t n_t (1 - \tau_{nt}))$$

10) Law of motion for k_t

$$k_{t+1} = (1 - \delta) k_t + x_t$$

Implementability Constraint:

(shrinking the 10 conditions in one constraint)

$$BC: \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_t c_t + p_t (k_{t+1} - (1-\delta)k_t) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} (1-\tau_{nt}) w_t n_t + (1-\tau_{kt}) r_t k_t$$

$$= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_t c_t = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} (1-\tau_{nt}) w_t n_t + (1-\tau_{k0}) r_0 k_0 + (1-\delta) k_0 p_0 + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} k_{t+1} \left[-p_t + p_{t+1} (1-\delta) + (1-\tau_{k,t+1}) r_{t+1} \right]$$

Cond 1

$$p_t = \frac{\beta^t u'_c(t)}{u'_c(0)}$$

= 0 from FOC (2 classes back)

From cond 2 b3 :-

$$(1-\tau_{nt}) w_t = \frac{u'_n(t)}{u'_c(t) f'_n(t)} \cancel{f'_n(t)} p_t$$

$$= \frac{u'_n(t)}{u'_c(t)} \beta^t \frac{u'_c(t)}{u'_c(0)}$$

$$= \beta^t \frac{u'_n(t)}{u'_c(0)}$$

(IC) :-

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \frac{u'_c(t)}{u'_c(0)} c_t - \beta^t \frac{u'_n(t)}{u'_c(0)} n_t = (1-\tau_{k0}) F'_k(0) p_0 k_0 + (1-\delta) k_0 p_0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t (u'_c(t) c_t - u'_n(t) n_t) = u'_c(0) [(1-\tau_{k0}) F'_k(0) p_0 k_0 + (1-\delta) k_0 p_0]$$

TDCE allocation (given the FP) has to satisfy:-

1) feasibility constraint: $c_t + x_t + g_t = f(k_t, n_t)$

2) law of motion: $k_{t+1} = (1-\delta)k_t + x_t$

3) Implementability

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t (u'_c(t)c_t - u'_n(t)n_t) = 0$$

This gives us a set of allocations. For any of these you can find a fiscal policy for which govt. budget is satisfied.

Conversely,

If an allocation $\{c_t, k_{t+1}, x_t, l_t, n_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies 1, 2, 3 \Rightarrow
 $\exists \{p_t, w_t, r_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ and $\{\tilde{r}_t, \tilde{\tau}_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ which
TDCE where govt. raises enough to finance $\{g_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$

* Remark: g is given. The govt does not decide g .

Ramsey Problem:—

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t u(c_t, 1-n_t) \longrightarrow \max_{\{c_t, k_t, n_t, x_t, k_{t+1}\}_{t=0}^{\infty}}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{aligned} c_t + x_t + g_t &= F(k_t, n_t) \\ k_{t+1} &= (1-\delta)k_t + x_t \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{t=0}^{\infty}} \right\} \rightarrow \text{same as SP}$$

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t (u'_c(t)c_t - u'_n(t)n_t) = A \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{t=0}^{\infty}} \right\} \rightarrow \text{New}$$

(As we have a new constraint now, the solⁿ to this may not be the same as SP's / PO).

Note:- The government spending does not go in consumer's utility fⁿ. It's all like govt is throwing away money in the ocean. (That's so strange!)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t u(c_t, 1-n_t) + \lambda \left[A - \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t (u'_c(t)c_t - u'_n(t)n_t) \right] \\ & + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma_t [F(k_t, n_t) - c_t - x_t - g_t] + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \eta_t [(1-\delta)k_t + x_t - k_{t+1}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \lambda A + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t B(c_t, n_t, \lambda) + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma_t [F(k_t, n_t) - c_t - x_t - g_t] + \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \eta_t [(1-\delta)k_t + x_t - k_{t+1}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where} \\ = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \underbrace{\left[u(c_t, 1-n_t) - \lambda (u'_c(t)c_t - u'_n(t)n_t) \right]}_{B(c_t, n_t, \lambda)} \end{aligned}$$

FOC :-

$$c: \beta^t B'_c(t) = r_t$$

$$n: \beta^t B'_n(t) = r_t F'_n(t)$$

$$x: -r_t + \eta_t = 0$$

$$k_{t+1}: -\eta_t + \eta_{t+1}(1-\delta) + r_{t+1}(F'_k(t+1)) = 0$$

$$\frac{B'_n(t)}{B'_c(t)} = F'_n(t)$$

$$\frac{\eta_t}{\eta_{t+1}} = F'_k(t+1) + 1-\delta$$

$$\frac{B'_c(t)}{\beta B'_c(t+1)} = F'_k(t+1) + 1-\delta$$

Assumption :-

$$\begin{array}{lcl} c_t^{RP} & \rightarrow & c_{\infty}^{RP} \\ x_t^{RP} & \rightarrow & x_{\infty}^{RP} \\ n_t^{RP} & \rightarrow & n_{\infty}^{RP} \\ k_t^{RP} & \rightarrow & k_{\infty} \end{array}$$

(Convergence to steady state)

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a constant level

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There is a path to the steady state.

(But it does not mean this is the only unique steady state).

As $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{B'_c(\infty)}{B'_n(\infty)} = F'_n(\infty)$$

$$\frac{1}{\beta} = 1 - \delta + F'_k(\infty)$$

TDCE Euler eq (given FP $\{P_{nt}, C_{ct}, q_t\}$)

$$u'_c(t) = \beta u'_c(t+1) [(1 - \tau_{kt+1}) F'_k(t+1) + 1 - \delta]$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{u'_c(\infty)}{\beta u'_c(\infty)} = (1 - \tau_{k\infty}) F'_k(\infty) + 1 - \delta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{\beta} = (1 - \tau_{k\infty}) F'_k(\infty) + 1 - \delta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\tau_{k\infty} = 0}$$

Concepts.

1. Euler Equation