

# Macroeconomic Theory: Assignment 1

**Exercise 1.** (20%) Consider the Solow growth model we discussed in class. Let the production be  $f(k) = Ak^\alpha$ , and  $A = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.3$ ,  $\delta = 0.5$ ,  $s = 0.5$ . Suppose that the economy was at the steady state for  $t = -5, -4, -3, -2, -1$ . At  $t = 0$ , the TPF ( $A$ ) increases to 1.5 permanently. Using programming software to plot the exact dynamic path of capital, output, consumption, and investment from the old steady state to the new steady state (for  $t = -5, \dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots, 20$ )

**Exercise 2.** (20%) Now consider that at  $t = 0$ , the saving rate ( $s$ ) decreases to 0.3 permanently (but the productivity remains unchanged:  $A = 1$ ). Using programming software to plot the exact Plot the dynamic path of capital, output, consumption, and investment from the old steady state to the new steady state (for  $t = -5, \dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots, 20$ )