宏观经济学

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上次课上的思考题

- (Boy born on a Tuesday) A family has two children. One is a boy born on a Tuesday. What is the probability that the family has two boys?
- (Monty Hall Problem) On a game show, you're given the choice of three doors. Behind one door is a car, and the others, goats. You pick a door, say #1. The host, who knows what's behind the doors, opens another door, say #3, which has a goat. He then says to you, "Do you want to pick door #2?" Is it to your advantage to switch your choice?

Boy born on a Tuesday

Our goal is to compute the conditional probability:

•
$$P(B = 2|BT \ge 1) = \frac{P(B=2 \cap BT \ge 1)}{P(BT \ge 1)} = \frac{P(BT \ge 1|B=2)P(B=2)}{P(BT \ge 1)}$$

First, let's compute the probability that at least one boy is born on a Tuesday. It is equal to the probability that the first kid is a boy born on Tuesday (1/14) plus the probability that the first child is **not** a boy born on Tuesday but the second child is (13/14*1/14):

$$P(BT \ge 1) = \frac{1}{14} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{14}\right)\frac{13}{14} = \frac{27}{196}$$

Boy born on a Tuesday

The probability that the family has two boys **and** at least one of them is born on a Tuesday is equal to:

$$P(B = 2 \cap BT \ge 1) = P(BT \ge 1|B = 2)P(B = 2)$$

$$= \left[1 - \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{2}\right] \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{13}{196}$$

Boy born on a Tuesday

Finally, the conditional probability we want is

$$P(B = 2|BT \ge 1) = \frac{P(B = 2 \cap BT \ge 1)}{P(BT \ge 1)} = \frac{13}{27}$$

Monty Hall Problem

We want to compute the conditional probability that the car is behind the second door, after the host opens the third door:

$$P(C=2|O=3) = \frac{P(C=2 \cap O=3)}{P(O=3)} = \frac{P(O=3|C=2)P(C=2)}{P(O=3)}$$

First compute the probability that the game host opens door 3:

$$P(O = 3) = P(O = 3|C = 1)P(C = 1) + P(O = 3|C = 2)P(C = 2) + P(O = 3|C = 3)P(C = 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} + 1 \times \frac{1}{3} + 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Monty Hall Problem

Why does P(0 = 3 | C = 2) = 1? Because if you choose door #1 and the car is behind door #2, the host has no choice but to open door #3. He can't open the door you picked or open the door with the car; otherwise he is ruining the game.

The conditional probability we want is:

$$P(C = 2|O = 3) = \frac{P(O = 3|C = 2)P(C = 2)}{P(O = 3)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

一个带有风险的两期模型

- 第0期,无任何风险。代理人可以购买债券 b_0 (利率为 r)
- 第1期,经济体可能处在好的状态(概率 π_g),或坏的状态(概率 π_b); $\pi_b + \pi_g = 1$
- 效用函数:

$$U(c_0, c_g, c_b) = u(c_0) + \beta \mathbb{E}[u(c_1)]$$

= $u(c_0) + \beta [\pi_g u(c_g) + \pi_b u(c_b)]$

• 第1期的消费 c_1 表示为 c_g 和 c_b , 取决于下期状态

模型求解

• 预算约束:

$$c_0 + b_0 = y_0$$

 $c_g = y_g + (1+r)b_0$
 $c_b = y_b + (1+r)b_0$

• 代入 $b_0 = y_0 - c_0$

$$c_g = y_g + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0)$$

$$c_b = y_b + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0)$$

拉格朗日函数 (简单)

$$\mathcal{L} = u(c_0) + \beta [\pi_g u(c_g) + \pi_b u(c_b)] + \lambda_g [y_g + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0) - c_g] + \lambda_b [y_b + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0) - c_b]$$

• 一阶条件

$$u'(c_0) = [\lambda_g + \lambda_b](1+r)$$
$$[c_g] \quad \pi_g \beta u'(c_g) = \lambda_g$$
$$[c_b] \quad \pi_b \beta u'(c_b) = \lambda_b$$

欧拉方程与利息

• 欧拉方程:

$$u'(c_0) = \beta(1+r)[\pi_g u'(c_g) + \pi_b u'(c_b)]$$

• 从市场出清条件得知 $c_0 = y_0, c_b = y_b, c_g = y_g$,那么利率满足

$$1 + r = \frac{u'(y_0)}{\beta[\pi_g u'(y_g) + \pi_b u'(y_b)]} = \frac{u'(y_0)}{\beta \mathbb{E}[u'(y_1)]}$$

利息的决定

$$1 + r = \frac{u'(y_0)}{\beta [\pi_g u'(y_g) + \pi_b u'(y_b)]} = \frac{u'(y_0)}{\beta \mathbb{E}[u'(y_1)]}$$
$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial y_g} > 0, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial y_b} > 0$$
$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial y_0} < 0, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial \pi_g} > 0$$

如果明天的预期收入相对今天增加,家庭的储蓄欲望会降低,也就是说需要更高的利率才能使得市场出清!

风险资产

• 刚才模型中的债券 b_0 算是一种"安全资产",不管世界是好与坏的 状态下,都会给出同样的回报。

•除了这种稳定的资产以外,许多生活中常见的资产是具有风险的(股票、基金、人力资本)。

• 问题: 如何给这些风险资本定价?

State contingent claims(或有索取权)

• 假设有 S 种可能不同的状态,以 $\{1,2,...,S\}$ 表示。

• 定义: A **state-contingent claim (bond)** is an asset that delivers one unit of a good in a future state *s* and 0 otherwise.

Contingent (adj.) 依情况而定的

• Denote the price of a state s bond to be q(s)

资产定价

- 假设我们知道所有的state-contingent claims的价格 q(s)
- 那么我们可以对下面的资产进行尝试定价:
 - Pays 1 unit of good in state 1? q(1)
 - Pays 2 units of good in state 1? 2q(1)
 - Pays 1 unit of good in state 1, and 1 unit of good in state 2? q(1) + q(2)
 - Pays x(s) units in state s, for each state s=1,2,...,S? $\sum_{s=1}^{s} q(s)x(s)$
- 理论上,我们可以用state-contingent claims 对任何的风险资产进行定价。

资产定价-2

- 问题:如何给state contingent claims定价?
- 框架: 回到两期模型的例子:
- 第0期收入 y_0 固定,第1期两种可能的状态 $\{g,b\}$,对应的收入分别为 $\{y_g,y_b\}$.
- 假设有如下三种资产可以购买:
 - A safe bond with price 1, which pays 1 + r units of good regardless of state
 - A good state claim, that only pays 1 in good state
 - A bad state claim, that only pays 1 in bad state

资产定价-3

Asset	p ₀	payout in g	payout in b	Quantity
Bond	1	1+r	1 + r	b_1
Claim(good)	q_g	1	0	x_g
Claim(bad)	q_b	0	1	Хb

• 大家认为哪种资产价格更高?猜一下:

Good state claim or bad state claim?

资源约束

$$BC_0: c_0 + b_1 + q_g x_g + q_b x_b = y_0$$

$$BC_g: c_g = y_g + (1+r)b_1 + x_g$$

$$BC_b: c_b = y_b + (1+r)b_1 + x_b$$

$$c_g = y_g + x_g + (1+r)[y_0 - c_0 - q_g x_g - q_b x_b]$$

$$c_b = y_b + x_b + (1+r)[y_0 - c_0 - q_g x_g - q_b x_b]$$

解出模型

$$\mathcal{L} = u(c_0) + \beta [\pi_g u(c_g) + \pi_b u(c_b)] + \lambda_g [y_g - c_g + x_g + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0 - q_g x_g - q_b x_b)] + \lambda_b [y_b - c_b + x_b + (1+r)(y_0 - c_0 - q_g x_g - q_b x_b)]$$

一阶条件:

[
$$c_0$$
]: $u'(c_0) = (\lambda_g + \lambda_b)(1 + r)$
[c_g]: $\beta \pi_g u'(c_g) = \lambda_g$
[c_b]: $\beta \pi_b u'(c_b) = \lambda_b$
[x_g]: $\lambda_g [1 - (1 + r)q_g] = \lambda_b (1 + r)q_g$
[x_b]: $\lambda_b [1 - (1 + r)q_b] = \lambda_g (1 + r)q_b$

解出模型-2

• $[c_0]$, $[c_g]$, $[c_b]$ 一欧拉方程

$$u'(c_0) = (1+r)\beta[\pi_g u'(c_g) + \pi_b u'(c_b)]$$

• 调整[x_q] 和 [x_b], 得到

$$q_b = \frac{\lambda_b}{(1+r)(\lambda_g + \lambda_b)}$$

解出模型-3

• 把 $[c_g][c_b]$ 代入上页最后两个公式,得到

$$q_g = \frac{\beta \pi_g u'(c_g)}{u'(c_0)}$$

$$q_b = \frac{\beta \pi_b u'(c_b)}{u'(c_0)}$$

• 调整公式,得到:

$$\pi_i \frac{1}{q_i} = \frac{u'(c_0)}{\beta u'(c_i)}$$

• 左边: state i claim 的预期回报率;

• 右边: 当下期状态为i时, 两期消费的MRS

理解资产价格

• 以good state claim举例:

$$q_g = \frac{\beta \pi_g u'(c_g)}{u'(c_0)}$$

- 如果 $\pi_g = 0$,good state claim的价格为0, 因为明天永远不会更好(!)
- 如果 $\pi_g = 1$,

$$q_g = \frac{\beta u'(c_g)}{u'(c_0)} = \frac{1}{1+r}$$

第二个等式来自于欧拉方程,此时不存在不确定性, good state claim和债券 等价

市场出清

• 在竞争均衡条件下, 市场出清条件依然成立:

$$b_1 = 0$$
, $x_g = x_b = 0$, $c_g = y_g$, $c_b = y_b$, $c_0 = y_0$

• 资产价格表示为:

$$q_g = \frac{\beta \pi_g u'(y_g)}{u'(y_0)}$$
$$q_b = \frac{\beta \pi_b u'(y_b)}{u'(y_0)}$$

比较两种风险资产的价格

• 如果 $u(c) = \log(c)$, 那么

$$q_g = \frac{\beta \pi_g y_0}{y_g}, q_b = \frac{\beta \pi_b y_0}{y_b}$$

• 假设 $\pi_g = \pi_b = 0.5$,两种状态发生的可能性相等。

• 因为 $y_g > y_b$,我们可以得到 $q_g < q_b$

• 思考: Why does the state-contingent claim for good state is **cheaper** than the one for bad state?

比较风险资产的价格-2

• 两种风险资产的预期收益都是 $\frac{1}{2}$, 因为 $\pi_g = \pi_b = 0.5$ 。

• 但是, bad-state claim的价格更高, 因为它可以被看做一种保险, 在形势不好的时候依然支付1单位消费品。

• 风险厌恶偏好, 使得代理人相比"锦上添花"更喜欢"雪中送炭"。

回到模型

• 我们已经算出了两种风险资产的价格 q_b 和 q_g 。那稳定债券 b_0 的价格如何计算?

• 答案:可以从两种风险资产的价格推算。

$$q = (1+r)q_b + (1+r)q_g$$

$$= (1+r) \left[\frac{\beta \pi_g u'(y_g) + \beta \pi_b u'(y_b)}{u'(y_0)} \right]$$

$$= (1+r) \left[\frac{1}{1+r} \right] (from Euler Equation)$$

$$= 1$$

• 结果符合我们初始的假设

例子

- 刚才的例子里, 稳定债券可以由两种具有风险的资产组合得来。
- 当然, 我们也可以依此计算其他任何风险资产的价格
- 例子: $\pi_g = 0.5, u(c) = log(c), \beta = 0.95, y_0 = 1, y_g = 1.2, y_b = 0.8$
- •问题:一支股票在经济形势好的时候会支付1.5单位消费品,经济形势坏的时候会支付1单位消费品。请问,这支股票的价格是多少?

例子

• 在这个特定的例子中,因为效用给出了具体形式,我们知道

$$q_g = \frac{\beta \pi_g y_0}{y_g}, q_b = \frac{\beta \pi_b y_0}{y_b}$$

• 可以计算

$$p_{s} = 1.5q_{g} + q_{b}$$

$$= 1.5 \left[\beta \pi_{g} \frac{y_{0}}{y_{g}}\right] + \left[\beta \pi_{b} \frac{y_{0}}{y_{b}}\right]$$

$$= 1.1875$$

以及

$$q_g = 0.396, q_b = 0.594$$

预期回报率

• 股票的预期回报率为:

$$\frac{E[\text{payoff}]}{p_s} = \frac{0.5 * 1.5 + 0.5 * 1}{1.1875} = 1.0526$$

也就是说这支股票的预期回报率为5.2%

• 稳定债券的回报率是多少? 1 1

$$1 + r = \frac{1}{q_g + q_b} = \frac{1}{0.396 + 0.594} = 1.011$$

也就是1.1%

风险与收益

- 我们从刚才的例子观察到, 这支股票的预期收益要高于稳定债券
- 风险越大, 收益就越大?
- 例子:另一支股票在经济形势好的时候会支付1单位消费品,经济形势坏的时候会支付1.5单位消费品。
- 这支股票的价格是 $p_{s2} = q_g + 1.5q_b = 1.2865 > p_s$, 而且收益率为

$$\frac{0.5 * 1.5 + 0.5 * 1}{1.2865} = 0.9716 < 1$$

风险资产的定价

• In this example, price of an asset that pays x_g and x_b in good and bad states are given by

$$P = x_g q_g + x_b q_b$$

$$= x_g \pi_g \frac{\beta u'(y_g)}{u'(y_0)} + x_b \pi_b \frac{\beta u'(y_b)}{u'(y_0)}$$

• 资产价格取决于今天和明天消费的边际替代率 $\frac{\beta u'(y_i)}{u'(y_0)}$ 。这个系数在有时候也会被称为定价核(pricing kernel)或者随机贴现因子(stochastic discount factor)

收益的周期性

• 我们看到,相比稳定债券来说,如果资产的收益多少和经济形势的好坏正相关,这样的资产价格往往会更低,预期回报会更高

• 这样的资产无法帮助投资者"对冲风险",反而会加剧风险的影响程度。因此,投资者需要更高的回报率来补偿承担的额外风险

需要多高的回报率,由投资者的风险厌恶程度决定。风险厌恶程度越强的投资者,会要求风险资产有更高的回报率。

完全市场(complete market)

• If there exists a contingent claim for **every state of nature**, we say the markets are **complete**.

当市场不完全时,无法完美地对每一种风险资产定价,可能会产生套利机会(arbitrage opportunity)

• 现实生活中,风险资产的种类是有限的,因此市场可能是不完全的。

例子: Equity Premium Puzzle

- "股权溢价之谜",由 Mehra 和 Prescott 1985年的论文提出
- 两位作者基于一般均衡模型,计算了1889-1978年美国股票的历史平均收益与无风险国债的平均收益之差,发现这一差值在6%左右
- 如此大的收益率差距,无法通过合理的风险厌恶偏好来解释。

许多国家都发现了类似的观察结论,如英国这一差值在4.6%左右,日本在3.3% (Mehra and Prescott (2003))

例子: Equity Premium Puzzle

• 有许多论文针对这一问题进行了后续的研究,到今天也是在学界被不断讨论的问题之一

- 可能的原因:
 - 不完全市场
 - 流动性不同
 - 非CRRA或异质性偏好
 - 损失厌恶

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Mean Preserving Spread

• 回到一个两期模型, $\pi_g = \pi_b = 0.5$,假设第1期的收入为 $y_g = \overline{y} + a$ (good state) or $y_b = \overline{y} - a$ (bad state)

• 第1期的预期收入是 $E[y_1] = \overline{y}$, 与a 无关

• However, if a increase, there's more **variance** in y_1 . This is called a "mean-preserving spread" for y_1 .

社会风险对资产价格的影响

• 假设效用函数是 $u_c = \log(c)$ 。两种state-contingent claims 的价格分别是

$$q_g = \beta \pi_g \frac{y_0}{\overline{y} + a}$$

$$q_b = \beta \pi_b \frac{y_0}{\overline{y} - a}$$

• 当 a 上升时, q_b 会变得更高, q_g 会变得更低,规避风险的需求催生了价格的变化

社会风险对利率的影响

• 无风险的债券利率为: 1+r

$$= \frac{1}{q_b + q_g}$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.5\beta y_0 \left(\frac{1}{\overline{y} + a} + \frac{1}{\overline{y} - a}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\overline{y}^2 - a^2}{\beta y_0 \overline{y}}$$

• 当社会风险程度越高时, 利率越低(为什么?)

预防性储蓄 (Precautionary Savings)

- 上节课,我们讨论过预期收入对利率的影响;预期收入越高,家庭的 跨期储蓄欲望越低,需要更高的利率使市场出清
- 这里、社会风险增加不影响预期收入水平、却可以影响家庭的储蓄欲望和利率水平
- 从经济学直觉上说,这是由于家庭有"预防性储蓄"动机,即通过储蓄为明天可能出现的坏结果做出准备。如果明天可能的坏结果更差,家庭则有动机增加储蓄,未雨绸缪;这种增加的储蓄动机降低了利率水平。

风险对预期回报的影响

• 假设一种风险资产的回报是:

Pays x + b in good times pays x - b in bad times

- E(payoff) = 0.5(x + b) + 0.5(x b) = x
- 可以计算这种风险资产的期望回报:

$$E[1 + \tilde{r}] = \frac{x}{q_g(x+b) + q_b(x-b)} = \frac{x}{(q_g + q_b)x_b - b(q_b - q_g)}$$

• 如果b > 0,那么风险越大,资产的预期回报率越高!

Exercise: Pricing a "Lucas Tree"

Professor Robert Lucas Jr. in his 1978 *Econometrica* paper introduced a model to price "trees", which are assets that provide dividend each period. Let's practice with a simplified version of the famous "Lucas Tree" model.

Start with an infinite-period economy with a fixed supply of 1 tree, which produces non-storable consumption good (fruit) d_t each period, where d_t follows a Markov process with $Pr(d_{t+1}|d_t)$. The tree can be traded in perfectly competitive market at P_t in each period t. The representative household's problem is

$$\max_{\{c_t, a_{t+1}\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \qquad \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t u(C_t) \right]$$
s.t.
$$C_t + P_t a_{t+1} = (P_t + d_t) a_t$$

Exercise: Pricing a "Lucas Tree"

- 1. Write down the market clearing condition for trees and consumption good (fruit). (Hint: fruits are not storable.)
- 2. From (2) to (4), suppose that d_t is known for all t (i.e. there is no uncertainty about the dividend). Write down the Lagrangian of the problem.
- 3. Solve the first order condition and find the Euler Equation between consumption c_t and c_{t+1} , and find an expression of P_t as a function of C_t , C_{t+1} , P_{t+1} and d_{t+1} .
- 4. Recursively substitute P_{t+1} to the P_t equation you acquired in last part, and show that

$$P_{t} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^{j} \frac{U'(C_{t+j})}{U'(C_{t})} d_{t+j}$$

5. Compute the price of a Lucas tree with **fixed** dividend $d_t = d$ each period.