

Problem 1:

Write eqn (1) as

$$K_{t+2} - \phi K_{t+1} + \frac{1}{\beta} K_t = U_{t+2} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{where } \phi \equiv 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + a, b_3 \quad (3)$$

Consistent with our solution to Problem 2 Section IC

I will use the term "inverse roots" to refer to the values  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  that solve

$$1 - \phi z + \frac{1}{\beta} z^2 = 0 \quad (4)$$

In Problem 2 Section IC we showed that  $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{z_2}$  and $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{z_1}$ , but I present an ~~alternative~~ a useful alternative proof here.

Factor (4) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \phi z + \frac{1}{\beta} z^2 &= (1 - \lambda_1 z)(1 - \lambda_2 z) \\ &= \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - z \right) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - z \right) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Clearly, two values of  $z$  solve (4):

$$z_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \text{ and } z_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \text{ or, generally,}$$



$$\lambda = Z^{-1} \quad (6)$$

Return to (4). Multiply Through by  $Z^{-2}$  to get

$$Z^{-2} - \phi Z^{-1} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 0 \quad \text{or, using (6),}$$

$$\lambda^2 - \phi \lambda + \frac{1}{\beta} = 0 \quad (7)$$

Thus, the roots  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  solve (7), or

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \phi \pm \left[ \phi^2 - 4 \frac{1}{\beta} \right]^{1/2} \right\} \quad (8)$$

Now, write (2) as

$$\left( 1 - \phi L + \frac{1}{\beta} L^2 \right) K_{t+2} = u_{t+2} \quad (2')$$

Compare (2') to the first equality in (5)

$$\left( 1 - \phi Z + \frac{1}{\beta} Z^2 \right) = (1 - \lambda_1 Z)(1 - \lambda_2 Z) \quad (5')$$

And we can write (2') as

$$(1 - \lambda_1 L)(1 - \lambda_2 L) K_{t+2} = u_{t+2} \quad (2'')$$

Comparing (2'') to (2') and using (3) we have



$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \phi = 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + a.b_3 \quad (9)$$

and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{\beta} \quad (10)$

Choosing Subscripts (ARBITRARILY) so that  $|\lambda_1| \leq |\lambda_2|$ ,

we can use (10), (8) and (3) to prove that

$$0 < \lambda_1 < 1 < \frac{1}{\beta} < \lambda_2$$

which is the Desired Result.

(a) First Show  $\frac{1}{\beta} < \lambda_2$  (This is the HARD PART.)

We must show that  $\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \phi + \left[ \phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} \right]^{1/2} \right\} > \frac{1}{\beta}$

or, that  $\phi + \left[ \phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} \right]^{1/2} > \frac{2}{\beta} \quad (11)$

From (3) it follows that

$$\phi + \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 - a.b_3 = \frac{2}{\beta} \quad (12)$$

So to ESTABLISH (5) it is SUFFICIENT TO SHOW THAT

$$\left[ \phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} \right]^{1/2} > \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 - a.b_3 \quad (13)$$

Proof of (13):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} &= \left(1 + a, b_3 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} \\
 &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2 + (a, b_3)^2 + 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)a, b_3 - \frac{4}{\beta} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2 + \frac{2}{\beta} + 1 - \frac{4}{\beta} + (a, b_3)^2 + 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)a, b_3 \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2 - \frac{2}{\beta} + 1 + (a, b_3)^2 + 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)a, b_3 \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1\right)^2 + (a, b_3)^2 + 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)a, b_3 \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1\right)^2 + (a, b_3)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1\right)a, b_3 + 4a, b_3 \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + a, b_3\right)^2 + 4a, b_3
 \end{aligned}$$

Collecting, we have

$$\phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta} = \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + a, b_3\right)^2 + 4a, b_3 \quad (14)$$

Since  $a, b_3 > 0$  it follows from (14) that

$$\left[\phi^2 - \frac{4}{\beta}\right]^{1/2} > \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 + a, b_3\right) > \frac{1}{\beta} - 1 - a, b_3$$

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Thus we have  $\lambda_2 > \frac{1}{\beta}$  and, since  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,

$$1 < \frac{1}{\beta} < \lambda_2 \quad (15)$$

⑥ From (10), since  $\frac{1}{\beta} > 0$  we have  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 > 0$

and, since (15) gives  $\lambda_2 > 0$ , we have

That

$$\lambda_1 > 0 \quad (16)$$

⑦ Finally, (10) gives  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{\beta}$  so

Discussion 4.8

This basic model allowed for some limited mobility of the labor force. It did not necessarily allow for the mobility of capital. In the future, research on mobility of capital might be useful. It is also possible that the model could be extended to include human capital. The model also provides an active role for the government. The model also provides an active role for the government. The model also provides an active role for the government.

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Thus  $\lambda_1 > \frac{1}{\beta \lambda_2}$  we have

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{\beta \lambda_2} < 1 \quad (17)$$

② Collecting, (15), (16), and (17) ESTABLISH

$$0 < \lambda_1 < 1 < \frac{1}{\beta} < \lambda_2$$

which is the Result we seek

Comparing eqns (7) and (3) here TO, SAY, Eqn (12)

From Prob 3, Sect IC we see that, if  $a_1$  and

$b_3$  are the same across the 2 problems and

if  $b_1$  in Prob 3 Sect IC is  $\frac{1}{\beta}$ , if  $b_1 = \frac{1}{\beta}$ ,

Then the Roots of Eqn (2) here are the same as

the Roots of the system formed by  $(1a, b)$  in

Prob 3 Sect IC.

Note then that the 2<sup>nd</sup> order DE here, ~~and the~~ eqn (1),  
and the system of 2 first-order DE's in Prob 3 Sect IC

both have one stable root,  $|\lambda_1| < 1$ , and one unstable

root  $|\lambda_2| > 1$ . This, as we will see, is the basis

for the Saddle Path Equilibrium that (famously)

characterizes the Ramsey-GSS-Kaplan's model of growth.

Problem 2 (Hamilton p 29.)

Consider  $y_t = a_0 \phi^t + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-i} \quad (1)$

Let a soln to  $y_t = \phi y_{t-1} + w_t \quad (2)$

From (1)  $y_{t-1} = a_0 \phi^{t-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-1-i} \quad (1')$

Subst From  $y_{t-1}$  into (2) and the result is

$$y_t = \phi \left[ a_0 \phi^{t-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-1-i} \right] + w_t \quad \text{or}$$

$$y_t = a_0 \phi^t + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^{i+1} w_{t-1-i} + w_t \quad \text{or}$$

$$y_t = a_0 \phi^t + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-i} \quad \text{subscript change}$$

which using (1) gives  $y_t = y_t$

which is clearly true. So (1) solves (2).



To evaluate the boundedness of  $\{y_t\}_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}$  begin with the 2<sup>nd</sup> term on the RHS of (1). Since  $\{w_t\}_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}$  is bounded it is true by definition that  $\exists$  a  ~~$\bar{w} > 0$~~  positive constant,  $\bar{w} > 0$ ,  $\exists -\bar{w} \leq w_t \leq \bar{w} \forall t$ . Since  $|\phi| < 1$  it follows that

$$\frac{-1}{1-\phi} \bar{w} \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-i} \leq \frac{1}{1-\phi} \bar{w}.$$

Thus  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i w_{t-i}$  is bounded.

Next consider the term  $a_0 \phi^t$ . Since  $|\phi| < 1$  then  $|\phi^{-1}| > 1$ . Since the range of  $y_t$  includes  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} y_t$  we must consider  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} |a_0 \phi^t|$ .

With  $|\phi^{-1}| > 1$ , if  $a_0 \neq 0$  then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} |a_0 \phi^t| = +\infty$ .

So, unless  $a_0 = 0$  the sequence of solutions,

$\{y_t\}_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}$  is not bounded.



Problem 3: (a) If  $|\phi| < 1$  Then we can write

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-\phi L}\right)c = \left[1 + \phi L + (\phi L)^2 + (\phi L)^3 + \dots\right]c \propto$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-\phi L}\right)c = c + \phi Lc + \phi^2 L^2 c + \phi^3 L^3 c + \dots \quad (1)$$

As  $c$  is a constant  $Lc = L^2 c = L^3 c = \dots = c$

Thus (1) gives

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-\phi L}\right)c = [c + \phi c + \phi^2 c + \dots] = [1 + \phi + \phi^2 + \phi^3 + \dots]c$$

which, since  $|\phi| < 1$  gives

$$\boxed{\left(\frac{1}{1-\phi L}\right)c = \left[\frac{1}{1-\phi}\right]c}$$

(b) If  $|\phi| > 1$  Then  $|\phi^{-1}| < 1$  and we can write

$$\left(\frac{-\phi^{-1} L^{-1}}{1-\phi^{-1} L^{-1}}\right)c = -\phi^{-1} \left[1 + (\phi^{-1} L^{-1}) + (\phi^{-1} L^{-1})^2 + \dots\right] L^{-1} c$$

Note that  $L^{-1}c = c$ , because  $c$  is constant, and we have that

$$\left( \frac{-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}}{1-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}} \right) c = \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ c + \phi^{-1}L^{-1}c + \phi^{-2}L^{-2}c + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ c + \phi^{-1}c + \phi^{-2}c + \phi^{-3}c + \dots \right]$$

Since  $|\phi^{-1}| < 1$  we then have

$$\left( \frac{-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}}{1-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}} \right) c = \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ \frac{1}{1-\phi^{-1}} \right] c$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{\phi}} \right] c = \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ \frac{1}{\frac{\phi-1}{\phi}} \right] c$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\phi} \left[ \frac{\phi}{\phi-1} \right] c \quad \text{and then}$$

$$\left( \frac{-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}}{1-\phi^{-1}L^{-1}} \right) c = \left( \frac{1}{1-\phi} \right) c$$