

MONETARY ECONOMICS: 3
GENERATION 3: DIVISIBLE ASSETS
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Replace with $m \in \{0, 1\}$ with $m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ or $m \in [0, \infty)$.

Issue: how do we handle the dist'n of liquidity $G(m)$?

- ▶ Computational work by Molico, Chiu, Wallace, Zhu etc.
- ▶ Theoretical devices by Shi, Menzio, Lagos-Wright etc.

Computation is great, but simple models are also useful for deriving results and developing intuition.

Here we mainly study the LW alternating-market model.

- ▶ It is realistic, tractable, easy to integrate with standard macro or GE, and amenable to quantitative analysis;
- ▶ It captures the asynchronicity of expenditures and receipts key to any analysis of money or credit.

The Molico Model

$$\begin{aligned} V(m) &= \alpha_1 \int \{u[q(m, \tilde{m})] + \beta V[m - d(m, \tilde{m})]\} dG(\tilde{m}) \\ &\quad + \alpha_0 \int \{-c[q(\tilde{m}, m)] + \beta V[m + d(\tilde{m}, m)]\} dG(\tilde{m}) \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_0)\beta V(m), \end{aligned}$$

assuming stationarity, where $\alpha_1 = \text{prob}(\text{buy})$, $\alpha_0 = \text{prob}(\text{sell})$, and:

- ▶ $q(m, \tilde{m})$ and $d(m, \tilde{m})$ are quantity of goods and dollars if you buy from seller with \tilde{m} ;
- ▶ $q(\tilde{m}, m)$ and $d(\tilde{m}, m)$ are similar if you sell to buyer with \tilde{m} ;

Note: we do not include barter or a return $\rho(m)$, but one could.

Simplification

$$\begin{aligned}V(m) &= \alpha_1 \int \{u[q(m, \tilde{m})] + \beta V[m - d(m, \tilde{m})]\} dG(\tilde{m}) \\ &\quad + \alpha_0 \int \{-c[q(\tilde{m}, m)] + \beta V[m + d(\tilde{m}, m)]\} dG(\tilde{m}) \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_0)\beta V(m)\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow

$$V(m) = \alpha_1 \int S_1(m, \tilde{m}) dG(\tilde{m}) + \alpha_0 \int S_0(\tilde{m}, m) dG(\tilde{m}) + \beta V(m)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}S_1(m, \tilde{m}) &= u[q(m, \tilde{m})] + \beta V[m - d(m, \tilde{m})] - \beta V(m) \\ S_0(m, \tilde{m}) &= c[q(\tilde{m}, m)] + \beta V[m + d(\tilde{m}, m)] - \beta V(m)\end{aligned}$$

Terms of Trade in Molico Model

- ▶ In a meeting where buyer has m and seller has \tilde{m} , Nash bargaining implies

$$\max_{q,d} S_1(m, \tilde{m})^\theta S_0(m, \tilde{m})^{1-\theta}$$
$$\text{st } 0 \leq q \leq \bar{q} \text{ and } 0 \leq d \leq m$$

- ▶ Solution is $q = q(m, \tilde{m})$ and $d = d(m, \tilde{m})$.
- ▶ Other solution concepts can be used
- ▶ In fact Molico used take-it-or-leave-it offers by buyers.

Equilibrium in Molico Model

A stationary equil is a list of time-invariant functions

$$\langle V(m), q(m, \tilde{m}), d(m, \tilde{m}), G(m) \rangle$$

such that

1. $V(m)$ solves the DP eqn;
2. $q(m, \tilde{m})$ and $d(m, \tilde{m})$ solves the bargaining problem;
3. $G(m)$ is a stationarity distribution for the process

$$m' = \begin{cases} m - d(m, \tilde{m}) & \text{w/prob } \alpha_1 G'(\tilde{m}) \\ m + d(\tilde{m}, m) & \text{w/prob } \alpha_0 G'(\tilde{m}) \\ m & \text{w/prob } 1 - \alpha_0 - \alpha_1 \end{cases}$$

Applications

Molico solves the model on the computer and studies:

- ▶ price dispersion where $p(m, \tilde{m}) = d(m, \tilde{m}) / q(m, \tilde{m})$;
- ▶ monetary policy – lump sum transfers of m

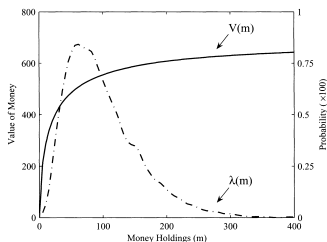


FIGURE 1

EQUILIBRIUM VALUE FUNCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY HOLDINGS

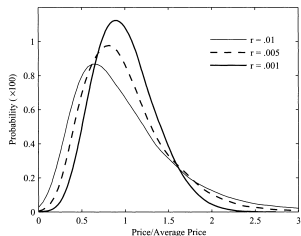
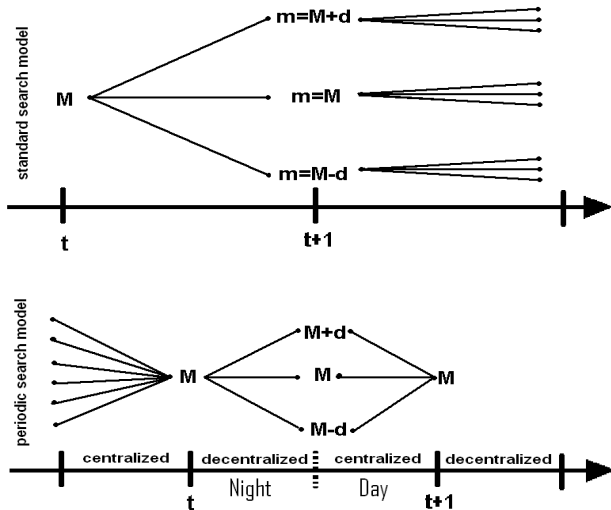


FIGURE 7

NORMALIZED DISTRIBUTION OF PRICES

Understanding the Distribution



The LW Alternating-Market Model

Each period $t = 0, 1, \dots$ there are two subperiods and two markets:

- ▶ DM similar to earlier models, with value fn $V(m)$
- ▶ CM similar to standard GE, with value fn $W(m)$

In CM agents trade a numeraire good, labor and assets:

$$W(m) = \max_{x, \ell, \hat{m}} \{ \tilde{U}(x, 1 - \ell) + \beta V(\hat{m}) \} \quad \text{st } x = \ell + \phi(m - \hat{m}) - T$$

Lemma: Suppose $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$. Then the the CM problem satisfies:

1. history independence, $\hat{m} \perp m$;
2. linearity, $W'(m) = \phi$.

If agents are homogeneous part 1 \Rightarrow dist'n $G(m)$ is degenerate.

A Nice Class of Preferences

Wong (RES): The class \mathcal{U} contains any \tilde{U} with $\tilde{U}_{11}\tilde{U}_{22} = \tilde{U}_{12}^2$, including, e.g.,

1. Quasi-linear: $\tilde{U} = U(x) + 1 - \ell$ or $\tilde{U} = x + U(1 - \ell)$
2. Cobb-Douglas: $\tilde{U} = x^a(1 - \ell)^{1-a}$
3. CES: $\tilde{U} = [x^a + (1 - \ell)^a]^{1/a}$

The results also hold for any increasing, concave \tilde{U} in models with indivisible labor, $\ell \in \{0, 1\}$; more on this below

Caveat: In any case, Lemma assumes interior solutions, *at least in some periods*.

Proof of Lemma: For simplicity consider $\tilde{U} = U(x) - \ell$ so that

$$W(m) = \max_{x, \ell, \hat{m}} \{U(x) - \ell + \beta V_+(\hat{m})\} \text{ st } x = \ell + \phi(m - \hat{m}) - T$$

Eliminate ℓ using budget equation to get

$$W(m) = \phi m - T + \max_x \{U(x) - x\} + \max_{\hat{m}} \{-\phi \hat{m} + \beta V_+(\hat{m})\}$$

Hence $W'(m) = \phi$ and FOC $\phi = \beta V'_+(\hat{m})$ implies $\hat{m} \perp m$. ■

Alternative Proof: FOC from the general case imply

$$\frac{\partial \hat{m}}{\partial m} = A (\tilde{U}_{11} \tilde{U}_{22} - \tilde{U}_{12}^2),$$

where $A = \dots$ ■

DM Terms of Trade

Consider Nash bargaining

$$\max [u(q) - \phi d]^\theta [-c(q) + \phi d]^{1-\theta} \text{ st } d \leq m,$$

This is simple because, by above Lemma, the surpluses are

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= u(q) + W(m-d) - W(m) = u(q) - \phi d \\ S_0 &= W(m+d) - W(m) - c(q) = \phi d - c(q). \end{aligned}$$

Note: different from Molico model, sol'n (q, d) does not depend on seller's \tilde{m} , and depends on buyer's m iff $d \leq m$ binds.

Lemma: $d \leq m$ binds on the equilibrium path (but for one exceptional case)

DM Value

Given $d = m$, the Nash bargaining solution is $z = v(q)$ where $z \equiv \phi m$ denotes real money and

$$v(q) = \frac{\theta u'(q) c(q) + (1 - \theta) c'(q) u(q)}{\theta u'(q) + (1 - \theta) c'(q)}$$

Note this looks like the model with indivisible money with z replacing Δ

We can use various other mechanisms, e.g., Kalai bargaining is

$$v(q) = \theta c(q) + (1 - \theta) u(q).$$

Or just leave $v(q)$ as any function with $v(0) = 0$ and $v'(q) > 0$.

Monetary Mechanisms

Let q^* solve $u'(q^*) = c'(q^*)$ and define d^* by $\phi d^* = v(q^*)$.

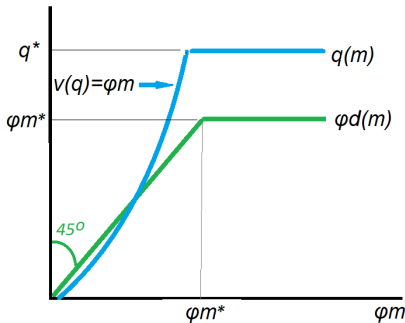
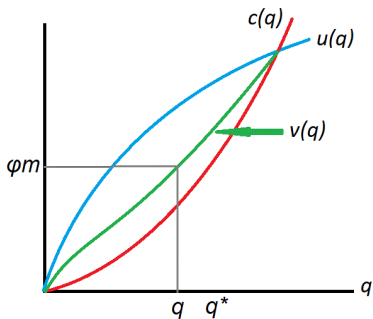
Then impose $c(q) \leq v(q) \leq u(q)$ plus:

- ▶ if $m \geq d^*$ then $q = q^*$ and $d = d^*$.
- ▶ if $m < d^*$ then $d = m$ and q solves $v(q) = \phi m$.

Intuition:

- ▶ If you can afford q^* take it, and payment $p^* = v(q^*)$ is determined by v .
- ▶ Otherwise pay what you can $d = m$, and $q = v^{-1}(\phi m)$ is determined by v

These properties of $v(q)$ hold for Nash, Kalai, Walras, HKW and can also be derived from simple axioms.



Marginal Value of Money

For any bargaining sol'n $\phi m = v(q)$,

$$V(m) = W(m) + \alpha_1 \{u[q(m)] - v[q(m)]\} \\ + \alpha_0 \{-c[q(M)] - v[q(M)]\}.$$

Since the last term depends on $\tilde{m} = M$ but not m ,

$$V'(m) = W'(\hat{m}) + \alpha_1 [u'(q) - v'(q)] q'(m).$$

Now plug in $W'(m) = \phi$ and, from bargaining sol'n,

$$q'(m) = \begin{cases} \phi/v'(q) & \text{if } q < q^* \\ 0 & \text{if } q \geq q^* \end{cases}$$

Demand for Money

$$V'(m) = \phi + \alpha_1 [u'(q) - v'(q)] \frac{\phi}{v'(q)} = \phi [1 + \alpha_1 \lambda(q)]$$

where $\lambda(q) = \text{liquidity premium} = \text{Lagrange multiplier on } d \leq m$,

$$\lambda(q) \equiv \begin{cases} u'(q) / v'(q) - 1 & \text{if } q < q^* \\ 0 & \text{if } q \geq q^* \end{cases}$$

Update one period and plug in $\phi = V'_+(m) \Rightarrow$ Euler eqn

$$\phi_t = \beta \phi_{t+1} [1 + \alpha_1 \lambda(q_{t+1})].$$

Given path for ϕ_t this \Rightarrow demand for q_t and $m_t = v(q_t) / \phi_t$.

Asset-Pricing Equation

Use $v(q) = \phi m$, let $L(\phi m) = \lambda \circ v^{-1}(\phi m)$ and set $m = M$ to get

$$\phi_t = \beta \phi_{t+1} [1 + \alpha_1 L(\phi_{t+1} M_{t+1})].$$

Given path for M this is a DE in asset price ϕ .

Or, assume $M_+ = (1 + \mu) M$ to get

$$z_t = \frac{\beta z_{t+1}}{1 + \mu_t} [1 + \alpha_1 L(z_{t+1})].$$

Given path for μ this is a DE in liquidity (real balances) z .

Equilibrium

Given a path for M equil is a nonnegative, bdd path for ϕ , or equivalently z , solving DE.

From ϕ or z , get q from BS, x from $U'(x) = 1$ and

$$\ell = x - \phi m + \phi M_+ + T$$

Given gov't budget eqn $G = T + \mu\phi M$ implies

$$\ell = x + G + \phi(m - M)$$

Obviously in the aggregate $\bar{\ell} = x + G$.

Money can be injected by $G > T$ or withdrawn by $T > G$.

Stationary Monetary Equilibrium

$$z_t = \Phi(z_{t+1}) \equiv \frac{\beta z_{t+1}}{1 + \mu_t} [1 + \alpha_1 L(z_{t+1})].$$

If μ_t is constant, consider SME, or steady state, $z = \Phi(z)$.

z constant $\Rightarrow 1 + \pi = \phi/\phi_+ = 1 + \mu$ (quantity theory).

One sol'n is $z = 0$; other sol'ns satisfy

$$1 = \frac{\beta}{1 + \mu} [1 + \alpha_1 L(z)]$$

where we impose $\mu > \beta - 1$, for this to make sense, but also consider the limit $\mu \rightarrow \beta - 1$.

Interest rates

- ▶ Let $1 + r$ define a real interest rate by asking how much x agents would give in CM_{t+1} for a unit of x in CM_t .
- ▶ Let $1 + i$ define a nominal interest rate by asking how much m agents would give in CM_{t+1} for a unit of m in CM_t .

Answers: $1 + r = U'(x_t) / \beta U'(x_{t+1})$, and the Fisher equation

$$1 + i = (1 + \pi)(1 + r)$$

In SME $1 + r = 1/\beta$ – also true out of SME bc $U'(x_t) = 1$.

In SME $\pi = \mu$, so $\mu > \beta - 1 \Leftrightarrow i > 0$ (the ZLB) and $i \rightarrow 0$ is the Friedman rule

Interpretation

SME condition can now be rewritten

$$i = \alpha_1 L(z)$$

which *simply* equates the MC and MB of money, but don't forget:

- ▶ i is the opportunity cost of foregone lending
- ▶ $\alpha_1 = \alpha\sigma$ incorporates search and matching probabilities
- ▶ $L = \lambda \circ v^{-1}$ is a multiplier that depends on u and v
- ▶ v incorporates the mechanism – eg, Nash, Kalai, Walras ...
- ▶ and behind it all is imperfect commitment/information.

Existence and Uniqueness

Prop: SME, $z > 0$ solving $i = \alpha_1 L(z)$, exists iff $i < \hat{i}$.

- ▶ Sometimes (eg Nash bargaining) $\hat{i} = \infty$
- ▶ Sometimes (eg Kalai bargaining) $\hat{i} < \infty$.

Clearly $L'(z) < 0 \Rightarrow$ uniqueness.

- ▶ Sometimes (eg Kalai bargaining) $L'(z) < 0$
- ▶ Sometimes (eg Nash bargaining) we're not sure

Prop: Even without $L'(z) < 0$, generically SME is unique and $\partial z / \partial i < 0$.

Simple Example

Kalai sol'n: $v(q) = \theta c(q) + (1 - \theta) u(q) \Rightarrow$

$$\lambda(q) = \frac{u'(q)}{v'(q)} - 1 = \frac{\theta[u'(q) - c'(q)]}{\theta c'(c) + (1 - \theta) u'(q)}$$

Easiest case: $\theta = 1$ (Kalai same as Nash) $\Rightarrow v(q) = c(q)$

$c(q) = q \Rightarrow \lambda(q) = u'(q) - 1$, $L(z) = u'(z) - 1$, MSS solves

$$i = \alpha_1 u'(q) \text{ or } i = a_1 u'(z).$$

MSS exists uniquely $\forall i > 0$, with $\partial q / \partial i < 0$, $q \rightarrow q^*$ as $i \rightarrow 0$.

General Kalai

$$i = \alpha_1 \lambda(q) = \frac{\alpha_1 \theta [u'(q) - c'(q)]}{\theta c'(c) + (1 - \theta) u'(q)}$$

Easy to check $\lambda'(q) \simeq c'(q) u''(q) - u'(q) c''(q) < 0$.

MSS exists uniquely iff $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \lambda(q) > i/\alpha_1$ iff

$$i < \frac{\alpha_1 \theta [1 - \frac{c'(q)}{u'(q)}]}{\theta \frac{c'(q)}{u'(q)} + 1 - \theta} = \frac{\alpha_1 \theta}{1 - \theta} \equiv \hat{i}.$$

Also $\partial q / \partial i = 1 / \alpha_1 \lambda'(q) < 0$ and $q \rightarrow q^*$ as $i \rightarrow 0$.

Nash

$$v(q) = \frac{\theta u'(q) c(q) + (1 - \theta) c'(q) u(q)}{\theta u'(q) + (1 - \theta) c'(q)}$$

Implies

$$v'(q) = \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)(u - c)(u'c'' - c'u'') + u'c'[\theta u' + (1 - \theta)c']}{[\theta u' + (1 - \theta)c']^2}$$

Now $\forall \theta > 0$ existence follows from $\lambda(q) \rightarrow \infty$ as $q \rightarrow 0$.

But λ' depends on u''' and c''' so uniqueness is trickier.

One can show $\partial q / \partial i < 0$ and $q \rightarrow q^*$ as $i \rightarrow 0$ iff $\theta = 1$.

Reformulating the Problem

$$\begin{aligned}W(z) &= \max_{x, \ell, \hat{z}} \{U(x) - \ell + \beta V_+(\hat{z})\} \text{ st } x = \ell + z - (1 + \pi) \hat{z} - T \\ &= A_1 + \max_{\hat{z}} \{- (1 + \pi) \hat{z} + \beta V_+(\hat{z})\}\end{aligned}$$

Use $V_+(\hat{z}) = A_2 + \alpha_1 v(\hat{z}) + (1 - \alpha_1) \hat{z}$ where $v(\hat{z}) = u \circ v^{-1}(z)$,

$$\begin{aligned}W(z) &= A_3 + \max_{\hat{z}} \{- (1 + \pi) \hat{z} + \beta \alpha_1 v(\hat{z}) + \beta (1 - \alpha_1) \hat{z}\} \\ &= A_3 + \beta \max_{\hat{z}} \{- (1 + \pi) (1 + r) \hat{z} + \alpha_1 v(\hat{z}) + (1 - \alpha_1) \hat{z}\} \\ &= A_3 + \beta \max_{\hat{z}} \{- (\alpha_1 + i) \hat{z} + \alpha_1 v(\hat{z})\}.\end{aligned}$$

This *decision problem* implies same z as SME.

Can it have multiple sol'n's? Not generically – if there are, say, 2 sol'n's, just tweak i and get back to 1 sol'n.

$\Rightarrow \exists! z > 0$ with $i = \alpha L(z)$ for generic i , with $\partial z / \partial i < 0$ i , except it may jump.

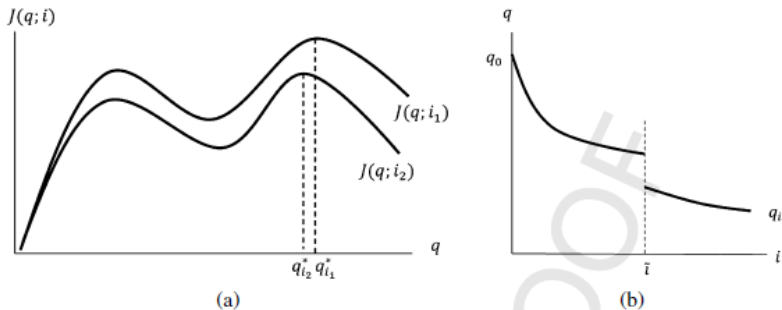


Fig. 1. (a) The objective function. (b) The solution q_i vs i .

Policy

- ▶ In SME higher $i \Rightarrow$ lower z and lower q .
- ▶ By Fisher eqn i moves one-for-one with π in SME.
- ▶ By def'n of SME π moves one-for-one with μ .

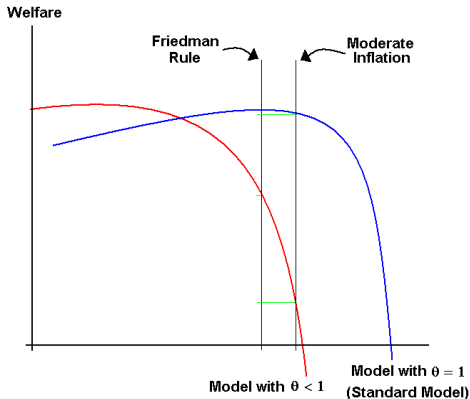
Hence it is equivalent in SME to target μ or π or i .

Standard mechanisms (Nash, Kalai, Walras...) $\Rightarrow q < q^* \forall i > 0$.

Since $\partial q / \partial i < 0$, optimal monetary policy is Friedman rule, $i = 0$, but that may or may not achieve q^* :

- ▶ $q = q^*$ at $i = 0$ with Kalai bargaining $\forall \theta > 0$
- ▶ $q = q^*$ at $i = 0$ with Nash bargaining iff $\theta = 1$.

This implies the ZLB problem can be big and the cost of inflation can be really big.



Quantifying the Effect

Consider $U(x) = \log(x)$, $c(q) = q$ and $u(q)$ like CRRA utility except $u(0) = 0$:

$$u(q) = A \frac{(q+b)^{1-a} - b^{1-a}}{1-a}$$

Set $\beta = 1/(1+r)$ to match (some) real interest rate, (a, A) to match money demand, and θ to match retail markup.

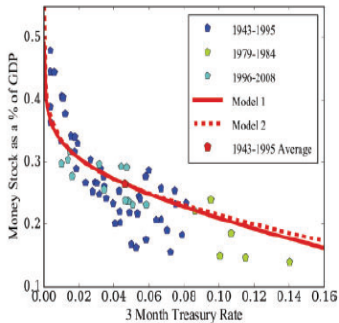
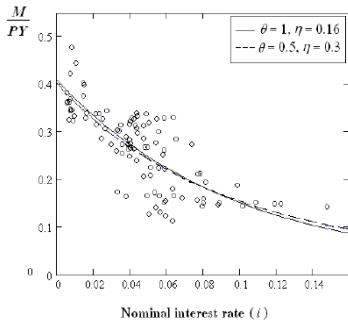
Set $\alpha\sigma$ arbitrarily but check how it matters.

Cost of $\pi = 10\%$ instead of Friedman rule: 5.0% of cons.

Standard finding CIA or MUF models: 0.5% of cons.

Microfoundations matter!

Empirical Money Demand



Interest on Money

Andolfatto (JET) pays interest \tilde{i} on money, so

$$W(m) = \max \{ \dots \} \text{ st } x = \ell + \phi m (1 + \tilde{i}) - \phi \hat{m} - T.$$

EC is $W'(m) = \phi (1 + \tilde{i})$, BS is $v(q) = \phi m (1 + \tilde{i})$ and EE is

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{-1} &= \beta \phi (1 + \tilde{i}) [1 + \alpha \lambda(q)] \\ (1 + \mu) M_{-1} \phi_{-1} &= \beta M \phi (1 + \tilde{i}) [1 + \alpha \lambda(q)] \end{aligned}$$

Only $(1 + \tilde{i}) / (1 + \mu)$ matters for the equil set, and, in particular, in SME

$$\frac{1 + \mu}{1 + \tilde{i}} = \beta [1 + \alpha \lambda(q)]$$

Generalized Friedman Rule

Any (\tilde{i}, μ) with same $(1 + \mu) / (1 + \tilde{i}) \Rightarrow$ same q but different $z = v(q) / (1 + \tilde{i})$.

Note $\lambda(q) = 0$ at $(\tilde{i}, \mu) = (0, \beta - 1)$ and $(1/\beta - 1, 0)$.

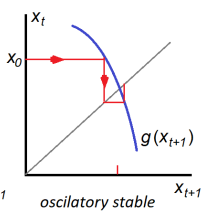
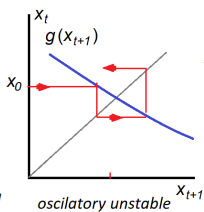
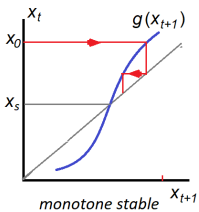
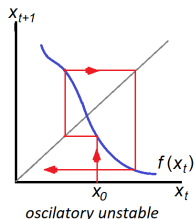
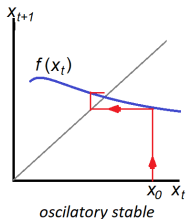
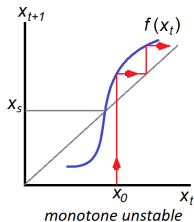
Any (\tilde{i}, μ) that gives the same q also implies the same

$$T = G + (\tilde{i} - \mu) \phi M = G + \frac{i - \mu}{1 + i} v(q).$$

- ▶ $\forall \mu \lambda(q) = 0$ iff $\tilde{i} = i$ (same rate on liquid and illiquid assets)
- ▶ $\tilde{i} = \mu$ (pay for interest on M by printing M) is super neutral

Dynamics

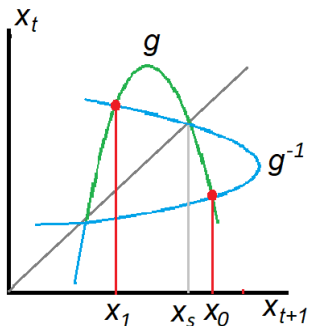
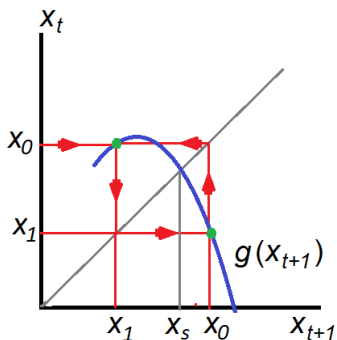
Theory \Rightarrow dynamic system, $x_{t+1} = f(x_t)$ or $x_t = g(x_{t+1})$, with a few possibilities shown (see Azariadis 1993).



Dynamics: Cycles

Left: A 2-cycle, $x_1 = g(x_0)$ and $x_0 = g(x_1)$, i.e., a sol'n $x \neq x_s$ to $x = g^2(x)$, $g^2(x) \equiv g \circ g(x)$

Right: Clearly $g'(x_s) < -1 \neq$ there is a 2-cycle around x_s



Dynamics: 2-Cycles

Left: g^2 has three fixed points, x_s and the points of a 2-cycle

Right: 2-cycle is where g and g^{-1} intersect off the 45° line

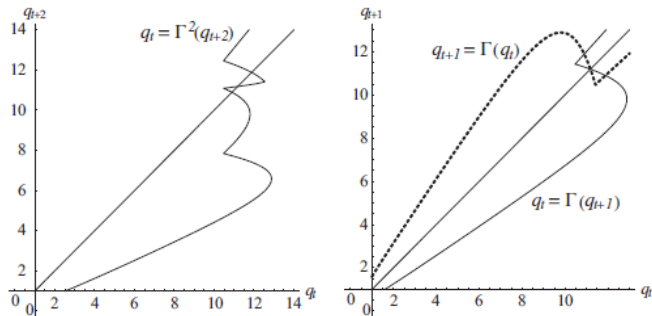


Fig. 7. Two-period cycles.

Dynamics: 3-Cycles

Here g^3 has seven fixed points, x_s and a pair of 3-cycle

Theorem: if there is a 3-cycle there are n -cycles $\forall n$, including $n = \infty$ (chaos)

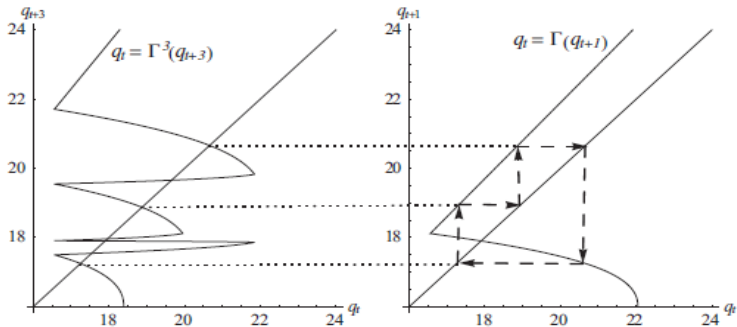


Fig 9. Three-period cycles.

Chaotic Dynamics in 1st-Order System

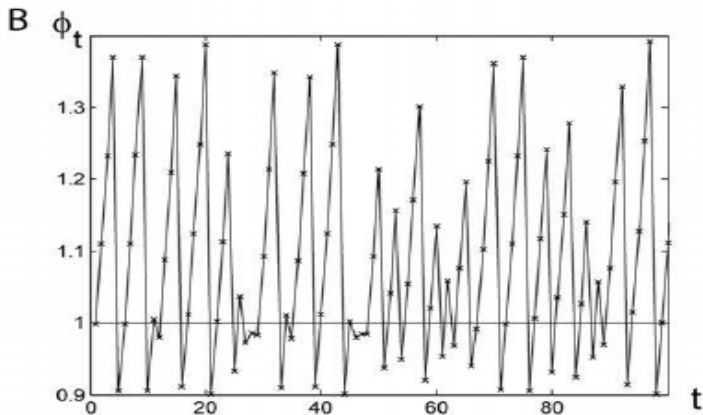
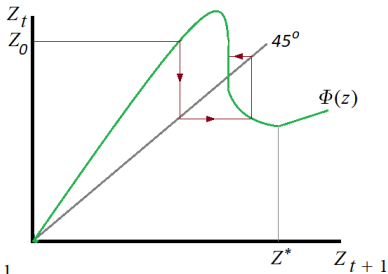
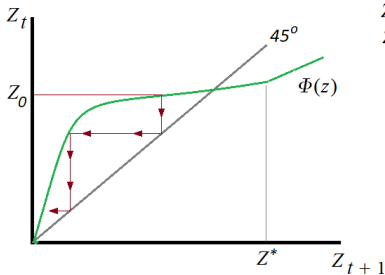


FIG. 4.—A, A three-period cycle; B, chaotic dynamics

Dynamics: Alternating-Market Asset-Pricing Model

There exist ME with $z_t \rightarrow 0$, and sometimes with z_t cycling.
Also notice the kink in $\Phi(z)$ at $z^* = v(q^*)$.



Alternative Specification

In LW, as in 1st and 2nd generation models, agents are buyers or sellers in DM depending on who they meet.

In RW, some are *always* buyers and others *always* sellers in DM.

- ▶ That cannot work in models with no CM because...

CM: same as before except sellers choose $\hat{m} = 0$

DM: arrival rates $\alpha_0 = \alpha(n)$ for sellers and $\alpha_1 = \alpha(n)/n$ for buyers where $n = n_1/n_0$ is tightness.

SME condition:

$$i = \frac{\alpha(n)}{n} L(z)$$

Now we can endogenize n with entry by one side of the market, say $k_s = V^s$.

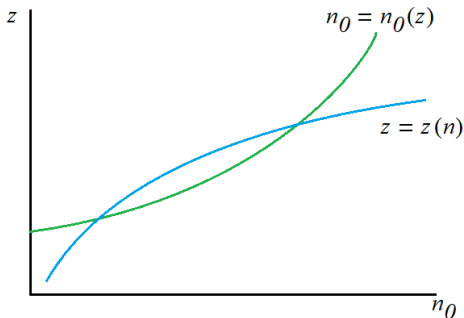


Figure: Multiple equil with entry by sellers in RW model

Real Assets

Geromichalos et al. replace fiat m with real asset a in fixed supply A , with price ψ and dividend ρ .

- ▶ Standard assets $\rho > 0$; toxic assets $\rho < 0$; fiat money $\rho = 0$.

$$W(a) = \max_{x, \ell, \hat{a}} \{U(x) - \ell + \beta V(\hat{a})\} \text{ st } x = \ell + \rho a + \psi(a - \hat{a}) - T$$

We still get $\hat{a} \perp a$, and linearity with $W'(m) = \rho + \psi$.

BS $v(q) = (\rho + \psi)p$, but $p \leq a$ may or may not bind:

$$a \geq p^* \Rightarrow p = p^* \text{ and } q = q^*$$

$$a < p^* \Rightarrow p = a \text{ and } q = v^{-1}(a) < q^*$$

Results with Real Assets

Asset-pricing eqn changes as follows:

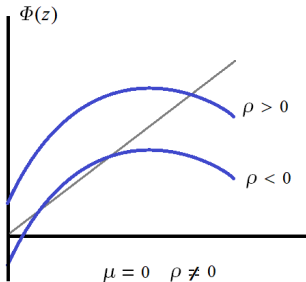
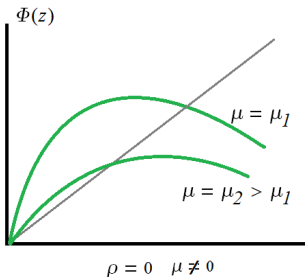
$$\begin{aligned}\phi_t &= \beta \phi_{t+1} [1 + \alpha \sigma L (\phi_{t+1} M_{t+1})] \\ \psi_t &= \beta (\rho + \psi_{t+1}) [1 + \alpha \sigma L (\rho A + \psi_{t+1} A)]\end{aligned}$$

Now $z_t = (\rho + \psi_t) A$ gives total liquidity, and dynamic system changes as follows:

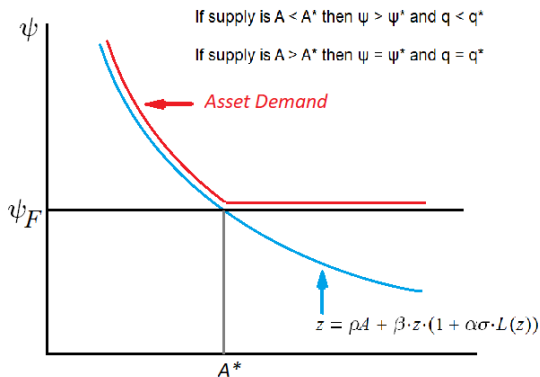
$$\begin{aligned}z_t &= \Phi(z_{t+1}) = \beta \frac{z_{t+1}}{1 + \mu} [1 + \alpha \sigma L (z_{t+1})] \\ z_t &= \Phi(z_{t+1}) = \rho A + \beta z_{t+1} [1 + \alpha \sigma L (z_{t+1})]\end{aligned}$$

Note: μ affects the slope and ρ affects the intercept of the system – important for steady state and dynamics.

Dynamic system: left shows fiat money, for two money growth rates; right shows real assets, both standard and toxic.



Equil asset price is bounded below by fundamental $\psi_F = \rho/r$.



Lagos Asset Pricing Papers

- ▶ In several papers Lagos uses a variant with three goods:
 - ▶ q traded in DM; y and c traded in CM.
- ▶ Utility of q is $u(q)$, utility of y is y ; utility of c is $U(c)$.
- ▶ q produced 1-for-1 with DM labor; y produced 1-for-1 with CM labor; c is *stochastic* dividend ρ on fixed-supply asset a .
- ▶ Labor gives constant marginal disutility 1.
- ▶ Use y as numeraire, p and ϕ for prices of c and a .
- ▶ Compared to baseline model, c and y are different goods.

Lagos Asset Pricing Model

- ▶ In the CM

$$\begin{aligned} W(a) &= \max_{c, y, h, \hat{a}} \{U(c) + y - h + \beta \mathbb{E} V(\hat{a})\} \\ \text{st } pc &= h - y + (p\rho + \phi)a - \phi\hat{a}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow W'(a) = p\rho + \phi, \quad p = U'(c) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = \beta \mathbb{E} V'(\hat{a})$$

- ▶ In the DM

$$V(a) = W(a) + \alpha [u(q) - (p\rho + \phi)d].$$

where $v(q) = d(p\rho + \phi)$ and $d \leq a$ binds for low but not high realizations of ρ .

$$V'(a) = (p\rho + \phi) [1 + \alpha \lambda(q)].$$

Lagos Asset Pricing Equation

$$\phi = \beta \mathbb{E}(\rho_+ \rho_+ + \phi_+) [1 + \alpha \lambda (q_+)]$$

- ▶ Equilibrium: $\hat{a} = A$, $c = \rho A$, $p = U'(\rho A)$, q solves bargaining and ϕ solves EE.
- ▶ If ρ iid, could say ϕ constant, but we don't need that.
- ▶ Actually, Lagos writes it in terms of c not y using $\psi = \phi / \rho$,

$$U'(A\rho) \psi = \beta \mathbb{E} U'(A\rho_+) (\rho_+ + \psi_+) [1 + \alpha \lambda (q_+)]$$

which looks like std asset-pricing, with U' on BS.

- ▶ Either version differs from $\phi = \beta \mathbb{E}(\rho_+ + \phi_+) [1 + \alpha \lambda (q_+)]$.
- ▶ Reason: Here c is random; baseline had x constant with h adjusting so $U'(x) = 1$.

Another Asset Pricing Equation

Go back to baseline but with ρ , ω and maybe even B random:

$$W(a) = \max_{x, h, \hat{a}} \{U(x) - Bh + \mathbb{E}\beta V_+(\hat{a})\} \text{ st } x = \omega h + \rho a + \phi a - \phi \hat{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow W'(a) = (\rho + \phi) B/\omega, \quad U'(x) = B/\omega, \quad \phi B/\omega = \mathbb{E}\beta V'_+(\hat{a}).$$

In the DM, $v(q) = d(\rho + \phi) B/\omega$ and $d \leq a$, so

$$V(a) = W(a) + \alpha [u(q) - d(\rho + \phi) B/\omega]$$

Hence EE is

$$\phi(B/\omega) = \mathbb{E}(B_+/\omega_+) (\rho_+ + \phi_+) [1 + \alpha \lambda(q_+)]$$

Or, using $U'(x) = B/\omega$,

$$U'(x)\phi = \mathbb{E}U'(x_+) (\rho_+ + \phi_+) [1 + \alpha \lambda(q_+)]$$

Safe and Risky Assets Lagos Model

$$\begin{aligned} W(a, b, \rho) &= \max_{c, y, h, \hat{a}, \hat{b}} \{ U(c) + y - h + \beta \mathbb{E} V(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{\rho}) \} \\ \text{st } p c &= h - y + \phi_a a + p \rho a + b - T - \phi_a a - \phi_b b \end{aligned}$$

where a is a tree-like asset with random ρ and b is a safe real bond.

FC's are

$$p = U'(c), \phi_a = \beta \mathbb{E} V_1(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{\rho}) \text{ and } \phi_b = \mathbb{E} V_2(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{\rho})$$

EC's are

$$W_1(a, b, \rho) = \phi_a + p \rho \text{ and } W_2(a, b, \rho) = 1$$

DM with Safe and Risky Assets

$$V(a, b, \rho) = (a, b, \rho) + \alpha [u(q) - p], \quad v(q) = p \leq \bar{p}$$

where $\bar{p} = \chi_a (\rho\rho + \phi_a) a + \phi_b b$. Assuming $p \leq \bar{p}$ binds,

$$\phi_a = \beta \mathbb{E} (\rho\rho + \phi_a) [1 + \alpha \chi_a \lambda(q)]$$

$$\phi_b = \beta \mathbb{E} [1 + \alpha \chi_a \lambda(q)].$$

If a is safe then

$$r_a = \frac{\rho U'(c)}{\phi_a} = \frac{r + \alpha \chi_a \lambda(q)}{1 + \alpha \chi_a \lambda(q)} \quad \text{and} \quad r_b = \frac{1}{\phi_b} - 1 = \frac{r + \alpha \chi_b \lambda(q)}{1 + \alpha \chi_b \lambda(q)},$$

and $\chi_a = \chi_b \Rightarrow r_a = r_b$. Things are more interesting when a is not safe.