

$$1. \quad Y(t) = K(t)^\alpha [A(t)L(t)]^{1-\alpha} \quad \alpha \in (0,1) \quad \delta \in (0,1)$$

$$\dot{K}(t) = sY(t) - \delta K(t) \quad \dot{A}(t) = g A(t) \quad g \in (0,1)$$

$$\dot{L}(t) = n L(t) \quad n \in (0,1)$$

intensive form:

$$L) \quad \frac{Y(t)}{A(t)L(t)} = \left( \frac{K(t)}{A(t)L(t)} \right)^\alpha$$

$$y(t) = k(t)^\alpha$$

$$a) \quad \dot{k}(t) = s k(t)^\alpha - (\delta + n + g) k(t)$$

on the balanced growth path,  $\dot{k}(t) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} s k^* = (\delta + n + g) k \\ k^* = \left( \frac{s}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \\ y^* = \left( \frac{s}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \\ c^* = (1-s) \left( \frac{s}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \end{cases}$$

$$b) \quad f'(k) = \delta + n + g = MPK$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \alpha k^{\alpha-1} = \delta + n + g$$

$$k^* = \left( \frac{\alpha}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$$

$$c) \quad \left( \frac{\alpha}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} = \left( \frac{s}{\delta + n + g} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{s = \alpha}$$

with a Cobb-Douglas production function, the saving rate needed to reach the golden rule is equal to the elasticity of output with respect to capital

$$2. \quad Y = \left[ a(bK)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)AL\}^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \quad \begin{array}{l} a \in (0,1) \\ b \in (0,1) \\ \sigma < 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad F(\lambda K, \lambda AL) &= \left[ a(b\lambda K)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)\lambda AL\}^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \left\{ \lambda^\sigma \left[ a(bK)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)AL\}^\sigma \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \lambda \left[ a(bK)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)AL\}^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \lambda F(K, AL) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad y &= \frac{Y}{AL} = \frac{1}{AL} \left[ a(bK)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)AL\}^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{AL}\right)^\sigma \left[ a(bK)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)AL\}^\sigma \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \left[ a\left(b\frac{K}{AL}\right)^\sigma + (1-a)\{(1-b)\frac{AL}{AL}\}^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= \left[ a(bk)^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} = f(k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c) \quad f'(k) &= \frac{1}{1-\sigma} \left[ a(bk)^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \cdot a \cdot \sigma (bk)^{\sigma-1} \cdot b \\ &= ab^\sigma \left[ a(bk)^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \cdot k^{\sigma-1} \\ &= ab^\sigma \left[ a(bk)^\sigma k^{-\sigma} + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma k^{-\sigma} \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= ab^\sigma \left[ ab^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \end{aligned}$$

d)  $\sigma \in (0,1)$ :

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} f'(k) = ab^\sigma \left[ ab^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \left(\frac{1}{0^+}\right)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} = +\infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f'(k) &= ab^\sigma \left[ ab^\sigma + (1-a)(1-b)^\sigma \left(\frac{1}{\infty}\right)^\sigma \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \\ &= ab^\sigma \left[ ab^\sigma + 0 \right]^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} = ab^\sigma a^{\frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}} b^{1-\sigma} \\ &= a^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} b > 0 \end{aligned}$$

c)  $\alpha < 0$  :

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} f'(k) &= ab^\alpha \left[ ab^\alpha + (1-a)(1-b)^\alpha \left(\frac{1}{0^+}\right)^\alpha \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= ab^\alpha \left[ ab^\alpha + 0 \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} = ab^\alpha a^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} b^{1-\alpha} \\ &= a^{1/\alpha} b < \infty\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f'(k) &= ab^\alpha \left[ ab^\alpha + (1-a)(1-b)^\alpha \left(\frac{1}{\infty}\right)^\alpha \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= ab^\alpha \left[ ab^\alpha + (1-a)(1-b)^\alpha (0)^\alpha \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= ab^\alpha \left[ ab^\alpha + 0 \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$3. Y(t) = F(K(t), A(t)L(t))$$

$$\frac{\partial F(K(t), A(t)L(t))}{\partial L(t)} = w(t) \rightarrow \text{"real wage" or the return to labor}$$

$$\frac{\partial F(K(t), A(t)L(t))}{\partial K(t)} - \delta = r(t) \rightarrow \text{return to capital}$$

implied by constant returns to scale

$$a) F(K(t), A(t)L(t)) = A(t)L(t)f(k(t))$$

$$\frac{\partial F(\cdot)}{\partial L(t)} = A(t) \left[ f(k(t)) + L(t) f'(k(t)) \cdot \frac{-K(t)}{(A(t)L(t))^2} \cdot A(t) \right]$$

$$= A(t) \left[ f(k(t)) - \frac{K(t)}{A(t)L(t)} \cdot f'(k(t)) \right]$$

$$= A(t) \left[ f(k(t)) - k(t) f'(k(t)) \right] = w(t)$$

$$b) \frac{\partial F(\cdot)}{\partial K(t)} = \cancel{A(t)L(t)} f'(k(t)) \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{A(t)L(t)}} = f'(k(t)) = r(t) + \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow w(t)L(t) + r(t)K(t) = A(t) \left[ f(k(t)) - k(t) f'(k(t)) \right] L(t) + \left[ f'(k(t)) - \delta \right] K(t)$$

$$= \frac{A(t)L(t)f(k(t))}{F(\cdot)} - \frac{A(t)L(t)k(t)f'(k(t))}{K(t)} + K(t)f'(k(t)) - \delta K(t)$$

$$= F(K(t), A(t)L(t)) - \cancel{K(t)f'(k(t))} + \cancel{K(t)f'(k(t))} - \delta K(t)$$

$$= F(K(t), A(t)L(t)) - \delta K(t)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r(t) = F'(k(t)) - \delta$$

on a balanced growth path  $k(t) = k^*$

$$\Rightarrow r(t) = r^* = F'(k^*) - \delta$$

So  $r(t)$  is constant on a balanced growth path

$$\gamma_r \equiv \frac{\dot{r}(t)}{r(t)} = \frac{F''(k(t)) \dot{k}(t)}{F'(k(t)) - \delta} \rightarrow \text{growth rate of the return to capital}$$

on a balanced growth path  $\dot{k}(t) \equiv 0$  and  $k(t) = k^*$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_r = \frac{F''(k^*) \cdot 0}{F'(k^*) - \delta} = 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  \* the return to capital is constant on a balanced growth path

$$w(t) = A(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))]$$

$$\dot{w}(t) = \dot{A}(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))] + A(t) [F'(k(t)) \dot{k}(t) - \dot{k}(t) F'(k(t)) - k(t) F''(k(t)) \dot{k}(t)]$$

$$= \dot{A}(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))] - A(t) k(t) F''(k(t)) \dot{k}(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_w \equiv \frac{\dot{w}(t)}{w(t)} &= \frac{\dot{A}(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))]}{A(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))]} - \frac{A(t) k(t) F''(k(t)) \dot{k}(t)}{A(t) [F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))]} \\ &= g - \frac{k(t) F''(k(t))}{F(k(t)) - k(t) F'(k(t))} \cdot \dot{k}(t) \end{aligned}$$

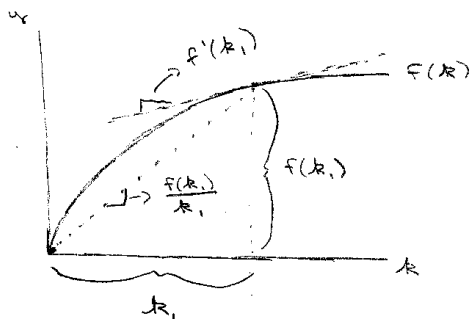
on a balanced growth path  $\dot{k}(t) \equiv 0$  and  $k(t) = k^*$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_w = g - \frac{k^* F''(k^*)}{F(k^*) - k^* F'(k^*)} \cdot 0 = g$$

$\hookrightarrow$  on a balanced growth path the real wage

\* grows at the rate of technological growth

$$\begin{aligned}
 d) \quad \gamma_w &= g - \frac{k(t) f''(k(t))}{f(k(t)) - k(t) f'(k(t))} \dot{k}(t) \\
 &= g - \underbrace{\frac{k(t)}{k(t)}}_{(+)} \cdot \frac{f''(k(t))}{\underbrace{\frac{f(k(t))}{k(t)} - f'(k(t))}}_{(-)} \dot{k}(t) \quad \begin{matrix} \rightarrow (-) \\ \rightarrow (+) \\ \text{when } k(t) < k^* \end{matrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



b/c  $f$  is a concave function,  $\frac{f(k)}{k} > f'(k) \quad \forall k > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{f(k)}{k} - f'(k) > 0 \quad \forall k > 0$

$$\therefore \gamma_w = g - \frac{f''(k(t))}{\frac{f(k(t))}{k(t)} - f'(k(t))} \dot{k}(t) > g$$

So when  $k < k^*$  (ie  $\dot{k}(t) > 0$ ) the growth rate of the real wage exceeds  $g$ . However, the growth rate  $\gamma_w$  gradually declines as  $k$  moves toward  $k^*$  and it stops falling once  $\gamma_w = g$ , or when the economy has reached a balanced growth path.

$$4. \quad Y(t) = K(t)^\alpha [A(t)L(t)]^\beta R^{1-\alpha-\beta} \quad \alpha, \beta \in (0,1)$$

$$L(t) = n L(t)$$

$$A'(t) = g A(t)$$

$$K'(t) = s Y(t) - \delta K(t)$$

$$R'(t) = 0$$

$$\alpha + \beta < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow Y(t) &= K(t)^{1-\beta} K(t)^{\beta-1} K(t)^\alpha [A(t)L(t)]^\beta R^{1-\alpha-\beta} \\ &= K(t)^{1-\beta} K(t)^{-(1-\alpha-\beta)} R^{1-\alpha-\beta} [A(t)L(t)]^\beta \\ &= K(t)^{1-\beta} \left[ \left\{ \frac{R}{K(t)} \right\}^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}} A(t) \right]^\beta L(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{define } X(t) \equiv A(t) \left( \frac{R}{K(t)} \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(t) = K(t)^{1-\beta} [X(t)L(t)]^\beta$$

Intensive form:

$$k(t) \equiv \frac{K(t)}{X(t)L(t)}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{Y(t)}{X(t)L(t)}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$y(t) = k(t)^{1-\beta}$$

Fundamental equation:

$$\dot{K}(t) = \frac{K'(t)}{X(t)L(t)} - \frac{K(t)}{(X(t)L(t))^2} \left\{ \dot{X}(t)L(t) + X(t)L'(t) \right\}$$

$$= s \frac{Y(t)}{X(t)L(t)} - \delta \frac{K(t)}{X(t)L(t)} - \frac{K(t)}{X(t)L(t)} \left\{ \frac{\dot{X}(t)}{X(t)} + \frac{L'(t)}{L(t)} \right\}$$

$$= s y(t) - \delta k(t) - k(t) \left[ n + \dot{X}(t)/X(t) \right]$$

$$= s k(t)^{1-\beta} - (\delta + n + \dot{X}(t)/X(t)) k(t)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\dot{X}(t)}{X(t)} = \frac{A(t) \left( R/K(t) \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}}}{A(t) \left( R/K(t) \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}}} - \frac{A(t)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}} \left( R/K(t) \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}-1} \left( R/K(t)^2 \right) \dot{K}(t)}{A(t) \left( R/K(t) \right)^{\frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta}}}$$

$$= g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \left( R/K(t) \right)^{-1} \left( R/K(t) \right) \frac{\dot{K}(t)}{K(t)}$$

$$= g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \frac{\dot{K}(t)}{K(t)}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \dot{K}(t) = s k(t)^{1-\beta} - \left( \delta + n + g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \frac{\dot{K}(t)}{K(t)} \right) k(t)$$

$$= s k(t)^{1-\beta} - \left[ \delta + n + g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} s \frac{Y(t)}{K(t)} + \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \delta \frac{K(t)}{K(t)} \right] k(t)$$

$$= s k(t)^{1-\beta} - \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} \delta + n + g \right] k(t) + \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} s \frac{Y(t)}{K(t)} \frac{K(t)}{X(t)L(t)}$$

$$= s k(t)^{1-\beta} - \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} \delta + n + g \right] k(t) + \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} s y(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{K}(t) = \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s k(t)^{1-\beta} - \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} \delta + n + g \right] k(t)$$

steady state:

$$\dot{k}(t) = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} = k^{1-\beta} = \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s + n + g \right) k$$

$$\left( \frac{\frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s}{\frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s + n + g} \right) = k^{\beta}$$

$$k^* = \left( \frac{\frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s}{\frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} s + n + g} \right)^{1/\beta}$$

balanced growth:

$$K(t) = X(t)L(t)k^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_K &\equiv \frac{\dot{K}(t)}{K(t)} = \frac{\dot{X}(t)}{X(t)} + n \\ &= g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \frac{\dot{K}(t)}{K(t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1-\alpha}{\beta} \gamma_K = n + g$$

$$\gamma_K = \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} (n+g)$$

$$Y(t) = X(t)L(t)y^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_Y &\equiv \frac{\dot{Y}(t)}{Y(t)} = \frac{\dot{X}(t)}{X(t)} + n \\ &= g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \gamma_K + n \\ &= n + g - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{\beta} \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} (n+g) \\ &= (n+g) - \frac{1-\alpha-\beta}{1-\alpha} (n+g) \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma_Y = \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} (n+g)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \alpha + \beta < 1$$

$$\beta < 1 - \alpha$$

$$\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} < 1$$

$$\therefore \gamma_K = \gamma_Y < n + g$$

The Malthusian assumption does not preclude growth. Although, the balanced growth rates are smaller than the ones under the standard Solow model w/ constant returns to scale