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3. $\frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial L_t} = 0 \rightarrow w_t = (1 - \beta) A_t \left(\frac{K_t}{L_t}\right)^\beta$	w_t are equal to their marginal products, and they are decreasing (increasing) in k_t
4. $\frac{r_t^* K_t}{Y_t} = \beta \leftrightarrow r_t^* K_t = \beta Y_t$ 5. $\frac{w_t^* L_t}{Y_t} = (1 - \beta) \leftrightarrow w_t^* L_t = (1 - \beta) Y_t$	Substitute r_t^* , w_t^* into factor share equations and show factor shares equal their exponents. Rearrange so can substitute into Π equation
6. $r_t^* K_t \rightarrow \Pi, w_t^* L_t \rightarrow \Pi$ where $\Pi^* = 0$	Substituting into Π equation shows that with perfect competition, firms make zero profits. If not competitive/not constant returns to scale, would need to model firm entry/exit

Aggregation

1. Total supply of labour (by young individuals): N
 - a. Total demand of labour (by firms): L_t
2. Total supply of capital (by old individuals): $N\alpha_t$
 - a. Total demand of capital (by firms): K_t

Equilibrium (all markets clear; transition equation)

1. Labour market clearing:

$$\text{Demand} = \text{Supply}$$

$$L_t = N$$

- a. With pop. Growth:

$$L_t = N_t$$

2. Capital market clearing:

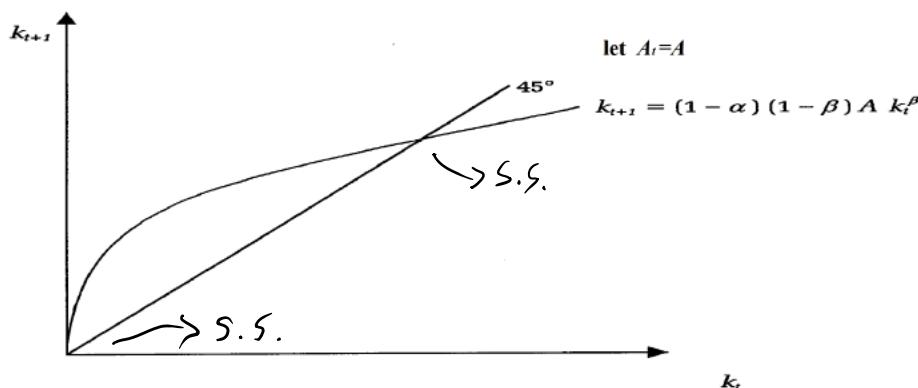
$$\text{Demand} = \text{Supply}$$

$$K_t = N\alpha_t^2$$

- a. With pop. growth (as it is the previous generation which saves to provide capital in next period):

$$K_t = N_{t-1}\alpha_t$$

Step 3: derive transition equation	
1. $K_{t+1} = N\alpha_{t+1}$	Capital in $t + 1$ is what the old generation invests
2. $k_{t+1} = \frac{K_{t+1}}{L_{t+1}} = \frac{K_{t+1}}{N_{t+1}} = \frac{N\alpha_{t+1}}{N_{t+1}} = \alpha_{t+1}$	Use labour and capital market clearing conditions
3. $k_{t+1} = \alpha_{t+1}^* = (1 - \alpha)w_t$	Use α_{t+1}^* from consumer problem ²
4. $k_{t+1} = (1 - \alpha)w_t^* = (1 - \alpha)(1 - \beta)A_t k_t^\beta$	Use w_t^* from firm problem



Can see how capital stock grows over time.

45° line is where $k_{t+1} = k_t$ or $\Delta k_t = 0$, i.e., steady state.

² α_t instead of α_{t+1} as it is the previous generation which supplies the capital

³ Can use α_{t+1} from BC_y if $\alpha = 0$

$$\pi_{t+1} = \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} - 1 = \frac{M_{t+1}}{M_t} - 1$$

Lecture 17: Is money neutral?

Transition equation with money

Deriving transition equation with money assuming $\alpha = 0$	
$K_{t+1} = N\alpha_{t+1}$	Capital in $t + 1$ is what the old generation invests
$k_{t+1} = \alpha_{t+1}$	Use labour and capital market clearing conditions
$k_{t+1} = w_t - \frac{m_{t+1}}{P_t}$ $= w_t - \gamma(i_{t+1})w_t$ $= [1 - \gamma(i_{t+1})]w_t$	Use α_{t+1} from BC_y Use $\frac{m_{t+1}}{P_t} = \gamma(i_{t+1})w_t$ Factorise
$k_{t+1} = [1 - \gamma(i_{t+1})](1 - \beta)A_t k_t^\beta$	Use w_t^* from firm problem as unchanged
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This equation can be expanded further using: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Money demand function $\gamma(i_{t+1}) \equiv \theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{i_{t+1}}\right)$; $i_{t+1} = \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t}(1 + r_{t+1}) - 1$; Price level and demand relation $P_t = \frac{M_t}{N(w_t - k_{t+1})}$ To yield: 	
$k_{t+1} = \left[1 - \theta \left(\frac{1}{\frac{\frac{M_{t+1}}{M_t} A(1 - \beta) k_t^\beta - k_{t+1}}{A(1 - \beta) k_{t+1}^\beta - k_{t+2}} (1 + A\beta k_{t+1}^{\beta-1}) - 1} \right) \right] A(1 - \beta) k_t^\beta$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With constant money supply $M_t = \bar{M}$ and all $k_t = \bar{k}$: $\bar{k} = \left[\frac{A(1 - \theta)\beta(1 - \beta)}{\theta + \beta(1 - \theta)} \right]^{\frac{1}{(1-\beta)}}$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can see \bar{k} does not depend on money constant money supply \bar{M}, implying L-R money neutrality <p>In L-R:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> k, Y, r, w are all constant Inflation rate is zero as equals rate of money supply growth, which is constant and equal to zero: $\pi_{t+1} = \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} - 1 = \frac{M_{t+1}}{M_t} - 1 = 0$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> $i_t = r_t$ through fisher relation, as $\pi = 0$ And steady state price level $\bar{P} = \frac{\bar{M}}{N(\bar{w} - \bar{k})}$ 	

Is money neutral in the long run

- Yes, as can see \bar{k} does not depend on money and;
- Through price level and demand relation $P_t = \frac{M_t}{N(w_t - k_{t+1})}$, can see a change in the money supply increases the price level (denominator of real variables) by the same percentage

Is money neutral in the short run

- One time increase in money supply, i.e., $M_t = \bar{M} + \Delta M$, $t \geq 2$
- As mentioned above, no real L-R effects as the change in money supply increases the price level by the same percentage
- S-R effects depend on what the newly printed money in $t = 2$, ΔM is used for: gov. buys goods in $t = 2$ and (1) transfers them to old (2) transfers them to young or (3) consumes the goods themselves: