

Finding Another Linkage between the Short Run and the Long Run in a Macroeconomy*

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This paper presents a model which can explain basic aspects of a macroeconomy in the short run and in the long run at the same time. It is based simply on such principles as profit maximization of firms and utility maximization of households. The way the macro model is constructed is much the same as in microeconomics. The model used is only one. Nevertheless, it provides some new insight into the theories of consumption and investment. The model represents an attempt to unify Keynesian economics and neoclassical economics in a way different from Samuelson's neoclassical synthesis and Solow's proposal.

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1. Introduction

More than half a century ago, Samuelson (1955) made an attempt to reconcile Keynesian economics in which prices and wages are supposed to be fixed or sticky with neoclassical economics in which prices and wages are supposed to be flexible under the assumption that monetary and fiscal policies are effective. He called it a grand neoclassical synthesis. At first

his optimistic neoclassical synthesis received much attention and won popularity. But in the course of time it was not taken so seriously in academic studies partly because of its logical inconsistency and partly because of the revival of neoclassical economics. Macroeconomics was divided again into Keynesian economics and neoclassical economics and he also quitted using the term. Although various theories have appeared since then, the situation remains unchanged. Then, should we regard macroeconomics as a science in which incompatible views can coexist?

Solow, the finisher of the neoclassical model of economic growth as well as a Keynesian, does not think so. In his Radcliffe Lectures, Solow (1970, p.92) said, "There is an additional obvious need for someone to synthesize the theory of growth, which takes full employment for

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granted, with the shorter-run macroeconomics whose main subject is variation of the volume of employment.” In his Nobel Lecture, Solow (1988, p. 310) stated, “The problem of combining long-run and short-run macroeconomics has still not been solved.” Solow (1997, 2000) himself accepts something like the *IS-LM* model for a short-run analysis and his own growth model for describing a long-run economy. And he thinks that the fix-price approach or the imperfect-competition approach is useful to construct a medium-run macro model. I agree with him on the synthesis of macroeconomics. But I have another macro model, which is simpler, to solve the same problem. The purpose of this paper is to unify macroeconomics by presenting such a model.¹

It should be noticed here that today Samuelson’s idea of a neoclassical synthesis is deeply rooted in textbooks, the most fundamental body of science. Most of recent macroeconomics textbooks adopt the theoretical structure consisting of three basic models, i.e., the *IS-LM* model, the *AD-AS* model, and the Solow model to explain the short run, the medium run, and the long run, respectively.² Such a structure is considered to essentially be based on Samuelson’s idea and also to be close to what Solow proposes for the synthesis as seen above. Thus it can be said that Samuelson’s neoclassical synthesis is still alive at the basic level and that macroeconomists accept the three-model structure similar to Solow’s proposal as a solution to a neoclassical synthesis. When the renowned textbook reached its golden birthday, Samuelson and Nordhaus (1998, p. 372) wrote, “One of the major break-

throughs of twentieth-century economics has been the development of macroeconomics.” They are quite right. Probably the three-model structure is included in the “development of macroeconomics.” Indeed at present there is no alternative but to rely on it. It deserves a grand prix in that sense.

Nonetheless, I am not satisfied with the way to synthesize macroeconomics. The reason is simple: Why are three models necessary for one economy? As is well known, the *IS-LM* model and neoclassical growth models such as the Solow model have quite different backgrounds. And the rationale of the current *AS* curve in the *AD-AS* model is based mainly on the theory of monetarists. Is it, therefore, natural to think that the three-model structure as a whole is theoretically inconsistent? If so, (and I do believe so, which is the very motive of this paper,) it does not provide a sound foundation for the synthesis. In my opinion, the problem is that there is no model in macroeconomics which can analyze basic aspects of a macroeconomy in the short run and in the long run *at the same time*. What is needed is *one* model which can do so.

I do not at all, however, intend to destroy all of the three “stylized” models. What can be regarded as useful should be used. My main proposals for a new macro model are as follows:

1. For the *IS-LM* model, the *IS* part should be used, while the *LM* part should be abandoned.
2. The *AD-AS* model should be abandoned.
3. The Solow model should be accepted.

4. The production sector should be divided into two industries, i.e., the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector.

Proposal 1 implies that money is demanded only as a medium of exchange as in the Solow model.³ Proposal 4 leads to a two-sector model. It seems to be a *long-run* growth model as Proposal 3 appears to suggest, but it is not necessarily.⁴ The model constructed on the basis of the above proposals is *only one*. The two-sector model is applicable to the short run, the medium run, and the long run without modification. The dynamics of an economy is always described as a series of the short-run market equilibria represented by the *IS* part in which full employment is not always guaranteed. Full employment is realized in the long run, but the long-run state is theoretically a special case of the short-run equilibrium state. The medium run is regarded only as a transitional process from the short-run equilibrium state to the long-run equilibrium state, which is what Proposal 2 suggests.⁵

The model, which shall be explained in detail below, is both tractable and trustworthy in the sense that it is composed of only a few equations and that it can give quite new and consistent answers to important problems in macroeconomics. For example, it sheds new light on the interpretation of the relationship between a short-run and a long-run consumption functions which is nowadays thought to completely be solved, and also that of the effects of inflation on economic growth which seem to perplex macroeconomists. Such paradoxical problems can be resolved only by considering an economy as a whole, not by focusing on

a particular aspect.

This paper is organized as follows. The next section provides the outline of the model. The short-run equilibrium state and the long-run equilibrium state are also defined in the section. Sections 3–5 are concerned with the short-run equilibrium state. Section 3 explains how the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector behave, while Section 4 describes the equilibrium of the investment-goods market and that of the consumption-goods market. The short-run equilibrium state is not completely understood until the roles of the central bank and the household sector are discussed in Section 5. Sections 6–9 are concerned with the long-run equilibrium state. Section 6 defines again the long-run equilibrium state using notations of the model. Section 7 characterizes the long-run equilibrium state and, using the results, Section 8 finds the long-run steady state in which macro variables are growing at a constant rate. Section 9 analyzes the golden-rule state, a special case of the long-run steady state, in which current consumption is maximized. In this paper it is the golden-rule state which is considered useful for analyzing an actual macroeconomy, though it is not thought much of in modern macroeconomics. In order to show the relevancy of the model, the consumption function controversy is reconsidered in Section 10. Section 11 concludes this paper. In appendices Tobin's *q* theory and the Modigliani-Miller theorem are considered through the model and their equivalence is shown.

As the above proposals suggest, the model presented is based largely on the old but still unbeatable work of Keynes (1936)

and Solow (1956). Thus, it is appropriate to call it the Keynes-Solow model (or the KS model for short) throughout.⁶

2. Outline of the Keynes-Solow Model

This paper deals with a basic case in which a macroeconomy is made up of the household sector, the production sector, the central bank, and commercial banks. The government sector and the foreign sector are left out, the introduction of which changes the situation considerably. The production sector consists of the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector. The KS model is a discrete-time model and, correctly speaking, each period is divided into three subperiods.

At the first *subperiod* of each period, the production sector makes investment goods and consumption goods using labor the household sector supplies and capital stock the household sector holds. Labor is supposed to be homogeneous, while capital stock malleable. The household sector receives income in the form of money from the production sector and buys goods of the two types. Under the assumption that money is not held as wealth (or an asset in the same meaning),⁷ the household sector uses all of income received and thus all of goods are sold out, that is, both the investment-goods market and the consumption-goods market are cleared every period.⁸ At the end of the first subperiod the household sector holds capital stock available for production of the next period.

The second *subperiod* is that of portfolio selection. In this basic case there is only

one kind of wealth, i.e., real capital. Households have four choices as asset holders. On one hand, they can hold capital stock as that of the investment-goods sector or that of the consumption-goods sector. On the other hand, they can hold the capital stock of each sector directly as equity holders or indirectly as depositors through commercial banks. When they hold capital stock as depositors, the nominal rate of return is a fixed *rate of interest* which is determined, for example, by monetary policy of the central bank or by negotiations between commercial banks and the production sector. In the KS model commercial banks are institutions that hold capital stock, which bears interest at the fixed rate, on behalf of households as depositors. All interest income earned belongs to depositors.⁹ Households as equity holders have to expect the rates of return on equities which depend on both how much capital stock exists in each sector and how much the prices and nominal wage rate of the next period are expected to be, which is not known until the third subperiod.¹⁰ The price of asset is that of investment goods as existing capital stock, and it is unique in this case. It is assumed that the asset price and the configuration of capital stock tend to be so determined as to make all rates of return equal. Thus the price of investment goods is determined *twice* during a period, as that of output produced (or flow) at the first subperiod and as that of an asset (or stock) at this second subperiod.

The third *subperiod* is that of a production plan for the next period. There already exists capital stock in each sector as a result of portfolio selection during the previous subperiod. Nominal wage rate

paid at the next period is determined, for example, by negotiations between the production sector and the household sector, and prices of investment goods and consumption goods at the next period are expected by the production sector. Once expected prices are fixed, the production sector can calculate profit-maximizing output (and also the corresponding demand for labor) using the existing capital stock, the nominal wage rate, and the expected prices. Hence a certain amount of money as a medium of exchange which realizes the calculated optimal production. The central bank is a unique institution that can supply money. The expected prices and the planned production are realized if the central bank promises the production sector that it will issue the same amount of money as the production sector requires.¹¹ If the central bank announces that it will issue less money than the production sector desires, expected prices and planned production are adjusted downward according to recalculation.¹²

The first subperiod of the next period comes, and the same processes are repeated again and again. An economy is said to be in the *short-run equilibrium state* if expectations of prices and the corresponding production plan are realized. In this paper only the short-run equilibrium state is analyzed. Thus, the *short run* always means a period in which an economy is in the short-run equilibrium state. Note that goods markets are always cleared whereas labor market is not always. An economy in the short-run equilibrium state is also said to be in the *long-run equilibrium state* if labor market is cleared and the interest rate (or deposit rate) is equal to the rates

of return on equities. In this paper the *long run* always means periods in which an economy is in the long-run equilibrium state. The Solow model works only in the long run, not to mention. It should be emphasized that a period in which an economy is in the long-run equilibrium state is just a special case of the short run.¹³ This is why two models are not needed for one economy.

As is well known, the rate of economic growth is determined in the long-run steady state by the sum of the growth rate of labor supply and that of technology, which is called the natural rate of growth. It holds in the Keynes-Solow model, too. In this situation the household sector alone can control the economy in the sense that it can change the ratio of consumption goods produced to investment goods produced through the rate of consumption (or the rate of saving in familiar terms). It is assumed in the KS model that the rate of consumption is so determined as to maximize current consumption the household sector enjoys each period. This means that a long-run macroeconomy is not in the modified golden-rule state but in the “true” golden-rule state. Under the assumption that an actual economy is approximated by the golden-rule state, the once-disputed relationship between a short-run and a long-run consumption functions can be reinterpreted.

3. The Production Sector

3.1. The Investment-Goods Sector

Suppose that an economy is at the third subperiod of period $t-1$. As was explained

in the previous section, this is the subperiod of a production plan for period t . First consider the investment-goods sector planning production of period t . Capital stock of the investment-goods sector, K_{1t} , consists of K_{1t}^d and K_{1t}^h . The former is held by households as depositors, while the latter as equity holders. A subscript 1 represents the investment-goods sector.

The technology of the investment-goods sector at t is given by the Cobb-Douglas production function:

$$Q_{1t} = K_{1t}^\alpha (A_t N_{1t})^{1-\alpha}, \quad K_{1t} = K_{1t}^d + K_{1t}^h, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1, \quad (1)$$

$$A_t = (1+g)A_{t-1}, \quad g > -1, \quad (2)$$

where Q_{1t} , N_{1t} , and A_t are respectively output, labor used, and the effectiveness of labor of the investment-goods sector at t . The effectiveness of labor or “knowledge” is assumed to grow at an exogenous rate g as in (2).¹⁴

The nominal interest rate, i_t , and the asset price of the investment goods, \tilde{p}_{1t-1} , have already been determined during the second subperiod of period $t-1$. Thus, after the nominal wage rate, w_t , has been determined, the investment-goods sector must make a production plan under the following budget constraint:¹⁵

$$p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} + p_{1t}^e (1-\delta) K_{1t} = w_t N_{1t} + (1+i_t) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d + (1+h_{1t}^e) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h, \quad (3)$$

where p_{1t}^e , h_{1t}^e , and δ are respectively the expected price of investment goods produced at period t , the expected nominal rate of return on equities, and the capital depreciation rate which is assumed as usual to be a positive constant.¹⁶ A superscript e means an expected or planned value in what follows. $\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d$ is the amount of bank deposits related to K_{1t}^d , while $\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h$ is the nominal value of equities related to K_{1t}^h .

Rewriting (3) yields

$$p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} = w_t N_{1t} + i_t \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d + h_{1t}^e \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h + p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}, \quad (4)$$

where $\pi_t^e = 1 - (\tilde{p}_{1t-1} / p_{1t}^e)$. π_t^e is approximately equal to $(p_{1t}^e - \tilde{p}_{1t-1}) / \tilde{p}_{1t-1}$, when it is not far from zero. For simplicity let us call π_t^e the expected inflation rate in what follows. Then $\delta - \pi_t^e$ can be called the “inflation-adjusted depreciation rate.”¹⁷ Taking into account the usual observation that the share of capital consumption in GDP is positive, it is assumed that

$$\delta - \pi_t^e > 0. \quad (5)$$

The purpose of the investment-goods sector is to maximize h_{1t}^e in (4) subject to the production technology (1). From (4), h_{1t}^e can be written as

$$h_{1t}^e = \frac{p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} - w_t N_{1t} - i_t \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h}. \quad (6)$$

Since the right-hand side of (6) is a function of N_{1t} alone, the investment-goods sector has only to find the level of labor, N_{1t}^e , which maximizes h_{1t}^e . Substituting (1) into (6) and differentiating (6) with respect to N_{1t} yield

$$\frac{dh_{1t}^e}{dN_{1t}} = \frac{p_{1t}^e (1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} N_{1t}^{-\alpha} K_{1t}^\alpha - w_t}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h}.$$

Then N_{1t}^e can easily be obtained by solving $dh_{1t}^e/dN_{1t} = 0$ and $d^2 h_{1t}^e/dN_{1t}^2 < 0$ as follows:

$$N_{1t}^e = \left[(1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} \frac{p_{1t}^e}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} K_{1t}. \quad (7)$$

And the output of investment-goods which also maximizes h_{1t}^e is calculated as follows:¹⁸

$$Q_{1t}^e = K_{1t}^\alpha (A_t N_{1t}^e)^{1-\alpha} = \left[(1-\alpha) A_t \frac{p_{1t}^e}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{1t}. \quad (8)$$

The maximization of h_{1t}^e looks like the short-run profit maximization in microeconomics.¹⁹ Let MPL_{1t} be the marginal product of labor at t . Then, since $MPL_{1t} \equiv$

$\partial Q_{1t}/\partial N_{1t}$, the familiar-looking profit-maximizing condition holds:

$$MPL_{1t} = (1-\alpha)A_t^{1-\alpha}N_{1t}^{-\alpha}K_{1t}^\alpha = \frac{w_t}{p_{1t}^e}, \quad (9)$$

which is equivalent to (7). It should be noticed, however, that the right-hand side is *not* the real wage rate in a usual sense. The marginal product of capital at t , MPK_{1t} , is

$$MPK_{1t} = \alpha K_{1t}^{\alpha-1}(A_t N_{1t})^{1-\alpha}. \quad (10)$$

When the investment-goods sector expects that investment goods will be sold at the price p_{1t}^e , it is ready to distribute the value added, $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e$, among the factors of production according to (4). Hence nominal income in the investment-goods sector Y_{1t}^e :²⁰

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{1t}^e &= w_t N_{1t}^e + i_t \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d + h_{1t}^e \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h \\ &= p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

(11) means that the magnitude of Y_{1t}^e depends crucially on the *expected* price p_{1t}^e . This is one of the remarkable characteristics of the KS model.

3.2. The Consumption-Goods Sector

Next consider the consumption-goods sector planning production of period t .²¹ The explanation of the consumption-goods sector proceeds along much the same line as in the investment-goods sector, a subscript 1 being replaced by a subscript 2 which represents the consumption-goods sector. Therefore, it suffices to show main features and results in turn.

The production function of the consumption-goods sector:

$$Q_{2t} = K_{2t}^\alpha (A_t N_{2t})^{1-\alpha}, \quad K_{2t} = K_{2t}^d + K_{2t}^h, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1. \quad (12)$$

The budget constraint on the consumption-goods sector:

$$\begin{aligned} p_{2t}^e Q_{2t} + p_{1t}^e (1-\delta) K_{2t} \\ = w_t N_{2t} + (1+i_t) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^d + (1+h_{2t}^e) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^h, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} p_{2t}^e Q_{2t} &= w_t N_{2t} + i_t \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^d + h_{2t}^e \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^h \\ &\quad + p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{2t}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

The demand for labor in the consumption-goods sector:

$$N_{2t}^e = \left[(1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} \frac{p_{2t}^e}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} K_{2t}. \quad (14)$$

The planned output of consumption goods for the expected price p_{2t}^e :

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{2t}^e &= K_{2t}^\alpha (A_t N_{2t}^e)^{1-\alpha} \\ &= \left[(1-\alpha) A_t \frac{p_{2t}^e}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

The profit-maximizing condition:

$$MPL_{2t} = (1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} N_{2t}^{-\alpha} K_{2t}^\alpha = \frac{w_t}{p_{2t}^e}. \quad (16)$$

The marginal product of capital:

$$MPK_{2t} = \alpha K_{2t}^{\alpha-1} (A_t N_{2t})^{1-\alpha}. \quad (17)$$

Nominal income distributed in the consumption-goods sector:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{2t}^e &= w_t N_{2t}^e + i_t \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^d + h_{2t}^e \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{2t}^h \\ &= p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{2t}. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

(2) and (5) are assumed in the consumption-goods sector, too. The consumption-goods sector resembles the investment-goods sector in formal structure, but there is a difference in the budget constraints. The budget constraint on the investment-goods sector (4) has one expected price, p_{1t}^e , while the budget constraint on the consumption-goods sector (13) has two expected prices, p_{1t}^e and p_{2t}^e . The relationship between the two and also that between the two sectors are found out in the next section.²²

4. Market Equilibrium

Consider how the investment-goods mar-

ket and the consumption-goods market reach each equilibrium. It is the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector that decide how much should be so produced as to maximize the rates of return on equities each period. The source of the demand for goods as a whole is gross national income which is the sum of national income and capital consumption. Nominal national income at t , Y_t^e , is the sum of Y_{1t}^e and Y_{2t}^e . From (11) and (18),

$$Y_t^e = p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t, \quad (19)$$

where $K_t = K_{1t} + K_{2t}$ and $p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t$ represents capital consumption. It follows from (19) that it is also the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector that decide how much income is paid to the household sector.

The household sector receives national income in return for labor and capital stock and decides to use it either for consumption or for saving.²³ The decision is described by two alternative ways. One is the consumption function:

$$C_t^e = c Y_t^e, 0 < c < 1, \quad (20)$$

where C_t^e is the planned expenditure on consumption goods, and c is called the rate of consumption in what follows.²⁴ The other is the saving function:

$$S_t^e = (1 - c) Y_t^e, \quad (21)$$

where S_t^e is the amount the household sector plans to save, and $1 - c$ is of course the rate of saving. Although the Keynesian school stressed (20) and the neoclassical school laid weight on (21), the two functions are on an equal footing in the KS model.

Output levels of investment goods and consumption goods are determined when supply and demand coincide in each market. The equilibrium of the consumption-

goods market is described as follows:

$$p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e = C_t^e. \quad (22)$$

Substituting (20) and then (19) into (22) gives the equilibrium amount of production of consumption goods:

$$p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e = \frac{c}{1-c} [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t], \quad (23)$$

and also the equilibrium national income:

$$Y_t^e = \frac{1}{1-c} [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t], \quad (24)$$

where $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t$ is nominal *net* investment and it must be positive for the economy (or the household sector) to be sustainable.²⁵

The equilibrium price and output of consumption goods can be obtained by substituting (15) into (23) as follows:

$$p_{2t}^e = \left[\frac{w_t}{(1-\alpha)A_t} \right]^{1-\alpha} \left[\frac{1}{K_{2t}} \right]^\alpha \times \left\{ \frac{c}{1-c} [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t] \right\}^\alpha, \quad (25)$$

and

$$Q_{2t}^e = \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{1-\alpha} K_{2t}^\alpha \times \left\{ \frac{c}{1-c} [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t] \right\}^{1-\alpha}. \quad (26)$$

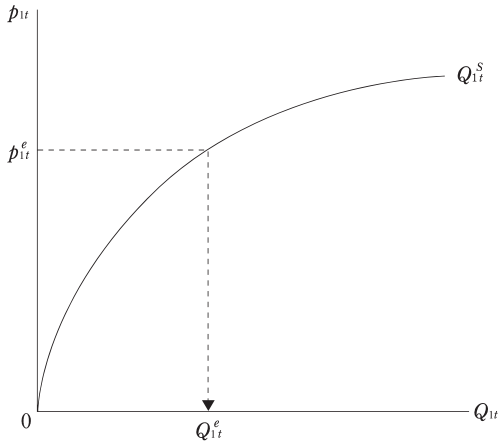
How about the investment-goods market? To answer it, the following lemma is needed.

Lemma: Money hoarding implies shutdown.

Proof: See Appendix A.

The above lemma says that Y_t^e becomes zero if part of saving S_t^e in (21), however small it may be, is not spent for investment goods. The KS model cannot deal with the case of money hoarding, where the economy is not sustained. It is assumed, therefore, that money is not held as wealth.²⁶ It means that S_t^e in (21) is all spent for investment goods. Under the assumption it is

Figure 1. Equilibrium of the Investment-Goods Market.



straightforward to show the following theorem:

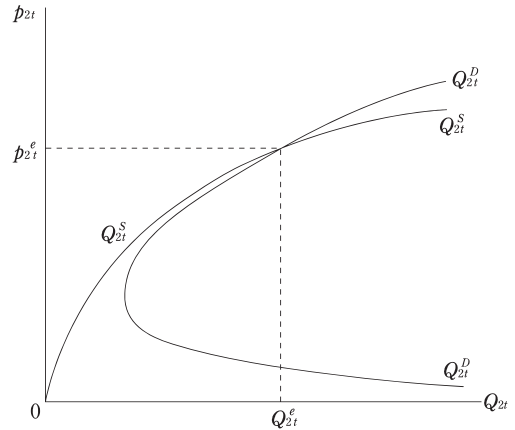
Theorem 1: If money is not hoarded, the investment-goods market always reaches equilibrium with positive price and output. Proof: See Appendix B.

Positive price and output in Theorem 1 are exactly p_{1t}^e and Q_{1t}^e used so far. Furthermore, from (8), (24), (25), (26), and Theorem 1 follows the proposition which appeals to common sense:²⁷

Proposition 1: In the short run an increase in prices leads to that in production and income in both nominal and real terms.

The formal argument above can easily be understood by a familiar method using a supply curve and a demand curve. Figures 1 and 2 represent respectively the investment-goods market and the consumption-goods market. The strictly concave curves with upward slope in those figures are the supply curves. In Figure 1 once expected price p_{1t}^e is fixed, the

Figure 2. Equilibrium of the Consumption-Goods Market.



planned output Q_{1t}^e is known through the supply curve Q_{1t}^S . Information about the demand for investment goods is not necessary due to Theorem 1. In Figure 2 the consumption-goods demand curve is needed to discover expected price p_{2t}^e and planned output Q_{2t}^e in addition to the supply curve Q_{2t}^S . It is derived from the consumption function which in turn depends on output of investment goods through national income. The unfamiliar forward bending curve in Figure 2 is the demand curve Q_{2t}^D . Both p_{2t}^e and Q_{2t}^e are determined in the intersection of two curves Q_{2t}^S and Q_{2t}^D .²⁸

5. Roles of the Central Bank and the Household Sector

As was shown in the previous section, main features of the short-run macroeconomy can be grasped by seeing the levels of p_{1t}^e , Q_{1t}^e , p_{2t}^e , Q_{2t}^e , etc. with capital stock as given. But p_{1t}^e is the most important because all other variables are functions of p_{1t}^e . They respond to any change in p_{1t}^e . In other words the economy is dominated by

p_{1t}^e .

There is, however, an obstacle to realization of p_{1t}^e . For p_{1t}^e , the value added in the economy as a whole is calculated as $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e$ according to (8), (25), and (26). But whether p_{1t}^e is realized is another problem.²⁹ Transactions represented by $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e$ is possible only if an appropriate amount of a medium of exchange, i.e., money, is supplied by the central bank. Such an amount M_t is, for example, $(p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e)/V_t$ with V_t as the income velocity of money at t . Hence

$$M_t V_t = p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e. \quad (27)$$

(27) reminds us of the traditional quantity theory of money. But it is assumed in the KS model that in general the causal relationship between prices and money supply is opposite. M_t determines p_{1t}^e and p_{2t}^e in the quantity theory of money, whereas p_{1t}^e and p_{2t}^e determines M_t in the KS model.

It is necessary to explain correctly. If the central bank promises the production sector that it will supply just the same amount of money as the production sector desires, then the original production plan comes true at the first subperiod of period t . Let a superscript * designate a value realized, i.e., that in the *short-run equilibrium state*. Then $p_{1t}^e = p_{1t}^*$. And therefore, $Q_{1t}^e = Q_{1t}^*$, $p_{2t}^e = p_{2t}^*$, $Q_{2t}^e = Q_{2t}^*$, etc. The central bank may reject the request of the production sector. If the central bank announces that it will issue less money than the production sector requires, p_{1t}^e has to be recalculated. But the modified production plan due to the downward revision of expected prices comes true at t , too. What about the case where the central bank is going to issue more money than the production sector wants? Although there is no theoretical

reason why the production sector declines such an offer, a pessimistic production sector may actually do so. As a result, the central bank is obliged to supply money passively according to the demand of the production sector. In this case, too, the original production plan comes true at t . In sum, money supply is determined by the “short-side principle.”³⁰

The price mechanism explained above means that the KS model needs no fictitious auctioneer in a Walrasian sense. The production sector is assumed to be able to know the short-run equilibrium state using all information available including the quantity of money the central bank is scheduled to supply. Therefore, the production plan is always realized, and (27) can be written as

$$M_t V_t = p_{1t}^* Q_{1t}^* + p_{2t}^* Q_{2t}^*.$$

As a result, the Fisher equation of exchange formally holds even in the short run. The KS model needs no time-consuming tâtonnement process. But, as was stated above, the causal relation depends upon circumstances. Anyway the short-run market equilibrium is accomplished *not by the flexibility of prices*, but by the correctness of the production plan by each sector based on the expected (and realized) supply of money. I believe that this is a practical view.

The household sector plays an interesting role in a production plan. It comes from the consumption function (20) (or the saving function (21)). It goes without saying that the consumption function describes the behavior of the household sector, but the consumption-goods sector cannot make a production plan without it. It is obvious from (25) and (26). Conversely,

the consumption function makes no sense unless it is used by the consumption-goods sector. To put it in another way, it looks as if the consumption-goods sector made a production plan in cooperation with the household sector. In the final analysis the role played by the household sector can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_t^*}{S_t^*} &= \frac{c}{1-c} \\ &= \frac{p_{2t}^* Q_{2t}^*}{p_{1t}^* Q_{1t}^* - p_{1t}^* (\delta - \pi_t^*) K_t}. \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Again it is convenient to classify two cases to understand correctly what (28) means. When money is so supplied as to satisfy the need of the production sector, output level of investment goods determines that of consumption goods through (28). This case holds in the traditional Keynesian economics which teaches that, say, an increase in investment gives rise to a multiplier times as much as that in income.³¹ On the other hand, when money supply falls short of the need of the production sector, “rationing” occurs. The investment-goods sector can not produce as much as it likes, and it is obliged to reduce output according to (28).³² In this case the household sector has influence on output level of investment goods, too. Money certainly matters. In both cases the household sector determines the ratio of Q_{2t}^* to Q_{1t}^* , and capital is accumulated each period according to

$$K_{t+1} = (1 - \delta)K_t + Q_{1t}^*. \quad (29)$$

6. Definition of the Long-Run Equilibrium State

Since the short-run equilibrium state has been characterized, this section begins a

consideration of the long-run equilibrium state. As said in Section 2, an economy in the short-run equilibrium state is also said to be in the long-run equilibrium state if the labor market is cleared and the interest rate (or deposit rate) equals the rates of return on equities.

To analyze the long-run economy, it is necessary to define the long-run equilibrium state using notations of the KS model. First, derive the difference between h_{1t}^e and i_t . Rewriting (4) yields

$$\begin{aligned} p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e &= w_t N_{1t}^e + p_{1t}^e (r_t^e + \delta) K_{1t} \\ &\quad + (h_{1t}^e - i_t) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h, \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

where $r_t^e = [(1 + i_t) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} / p_{1t}^e] - 1$. r_t^e is the real interest rate, which is approximately equal to $i_t - \pi_t^e$ when the nominal interest rate i_t and the inflation rate π_t^e are not far from zero.³³ By rearranging (30), the difference between h_{1t}^e and i_t is written as

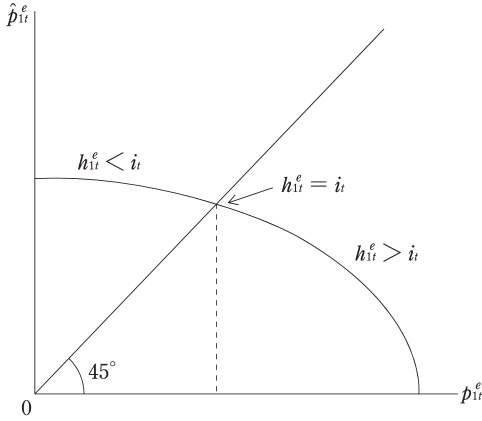
$$h_{1t}^e - i_t = \frac{p_{1t}^e (r_t^e + \delta) K_{1t}}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h} \left[\left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - 1 \right], \quad (31)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}_{1t}^e &= \left[\frac{(1 + i_t) \tilde{p}_{1t-1} - (1 - \delta) p_{1t}^e}{\alpha} \right]^{\alpha} \left[\frac{w_t}{A_t (1 - \alpha)} \right]^{1 - \alpha} \\ &= p_{1t}^e \left[\frac{r_t^e + \delta}{\alpha} \right]^{\alpha} \left[\frac{\frac{w_t}{p_{1t}^e}}{A_t (1 - \alpha)} \right]^{1 - \alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

\tilde{p}_{1t}^e may be called the expected “normal supply price” of investment goods.³⁴ It is pictured in Figure 3 as a function of p_{1t}^e . The graph is a strictly concave curve with downward slope. p_{1t}^e and \tilde{p}_{1t}^e coincide on the intersection of the graph and the 45° line. When p_{1t}^e exceeds (falls short of) \tilde{p}_{1t}^e , $h_{1t}^e > (<) i_t$. This means that the higher the expected price of investment goods becomes, the more profitable equities grow. \tilde{p}_{1t}^e is also a function of \tilde{p}_{1t-1} , i_t , w_t , etc. The graph shifts according as these parameters change.

Figure 3. The Expected Normal Supply-Price of Investment Goods.



From Section 3 the economy is assumed to be at the third subperiod of period $t-1$. From now on, suppose that the economy is always in the short-run equilibrium state, which means that the production plan made each third subperiod are always realized at the first subperiod of the next period. The focus of analysis shifts from the short-run equilibrium state to the long-run equilibrium state.

In the short-run equilibrium state the difference (31) can be written simply by replacing a superscript e with a superscript $*$:

$$h_{1t}^* - i_t = \frac{p_{1t}^*(r_t^* + \delta)K_{1t}}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}K_{2t}^h} \left[\left(\frac{p_{1t}^*}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^*} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - 1 \right], \quad (32)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{p}_{1t}^* &= \left[\frac{(1+i_t)\tilde{p}_{1t-1} - (1-\delta)p_{1t}^*}{\alpha} \right]^{\alpha} \left[\frac{w_t}{A_t(1-\alpha)} \right]^{1-\alpha} \\ &= p_{1t}^* \left[\frac{r_t^* + \delta}{\alpha} \right]^{\alpha} \left[\frac{w_t}{A_t(1-\alpha)} \right]^{1-\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

The derivation of the difference between h_{2t}^* and i_t in the short-run equilibrium state is a little bit complicated, but it can be obtained using (13) and (25):

$$\begin{aligned} h_{2t}^* - i_t &= \frac{p_{2t}^*(r_t^* + \delta)K_{2t}}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}K_{2t}^h} \left[\left(\frac{p_{2t}^*}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^*} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{p_{1t}^*(r_t^* + \delta)}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}K_{2t}^h} \left\{ \frac{c}{1-c} \left[\left(\frac{p_{1t}^*}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^*} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - (\delta - \pi_t^*) \frac{\alpha}{r_t^* + \delta} \right] K_{1t} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left[1 + \frac{c}{1-c} (\delta - \pi_t^*) \frac{\alpha}{r_t^* + \delta} \right] K_{2t} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Next consider the following price trend:

$$\frac{1}{1-\pi} p_{1t}^{**} = \frac{1}{1-\pi} \tilde{p}_{1t-1}^{**} = p_{1t}^{**}, \quad (35)$$

where π is a constant value of the inflation rate.³⁵ A superscript $**$ represents the long-run equilibrium state in what follows. (35) means that the rate of change of the price of investment goods as flow is equal to the inflation rate. Let us call such a situation as (35) the long-run price condition. This condition leads to the equality of the price of investment goods produced and the asset price during the same period.

Lastly, it is assumed, as usual in modern macroeconomics, that there is the natural level of employment, N_t , where

$$N_t = (1+n)N_{t-1}, \quad n > -1. \quad (36)$$

Now the long-run equilibrium state can be defined. An economy is in the long-run equilibrium state at t if the four conditions below are all satisfied:

1. The economy is in the short-run equilibrium state.
2. Full employment is realized, i.e., $N_{1t}^* + N_{2t}^* = N_t$.
3. The rates of return are all equal, i.e., $h_{1t}^* = i_t = h_{2t}^*$.
4. The long-run price condition (35) holds.

For simplicity let us call the long-run equilibrium state just the *long-run state* in what follows.

Condition 1 says that the long-run state is a special case of the short-run equilibrium state where goods markets are cleared. A period in which an economy is in the long-run state is necessarily a period in which the economy is in the short-run equilibrium state. Never forget the previous short-run analysis!

Condition 2 means that labor market is also cleared in the long-run state, not to mention. Condition 3 implies that it is indifferent whether households hold an asset (i.e., capital) as depositors or equity holders in the long-run state. From Condition 4 there is no distinction between the output price of investment goods and the asset price. I think that Conditions 2-4 are usually taken for granted to define the long run in macroeconomics. In fact the three conditions all stand and fall together. The next section explains how they are satisfied, and characterizes the long-run state.

7. The Long-Run State

Taking (32) and the first half of (34) into consideration, Conditions 3 and 4 imply that

$$\frac{1}{1-\pi} p_{1t-1}^{**} = p_{1t}^* = \hat{p}_{1t}^* = p_{2t}^* = p_{1t}^{**}. \quad (37)$$

Hence the following theorem concerning output prices:

Theorem 2: In the long-run state prices of investment goods and consumption goods coincide and change at the same rate.

In the short-run equilibrium state it is necessary to distinguish the two prices, but

it is not in the long-run state. Therefore, it is convenient in what follows to write both prices only as p_{1t}^{**} , in which case a nominal value divided by p_{1t}^{**} can be interpreted as a “real” value in a usual sense.

Theorem 2 makes it possible to describe the two-sector KS model in the long-run state as if it were a one-sector model like the Solow model. Let Q_t^{**} be defined as the long-run-state total amount of production divided by p_{1t}^{**} . Then, real GDP is expressed simply as

$$Q_t^{**} = Q_{1t}^{**} + Q_{2t}^{**}. \quad (38)$$

But it should be emphasized that there is a crucial difference between a two-sector model and a one-sector model: The latter divides output into consumption goods and investment goods *after* production is finished, whereas the former distinguishes the two goods *from beginning to end*. Which one do you like? I, for one, don't like to eat a machine.

From (37), the demand for labor in the investment-goods sector (7) can be written as

$$N_{1t}^* = \left[(1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} \frac{p_{1t}^{**}}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} K_{1t},$$

and similarly that in the consumption-goods sector (14) as

$$N_{2t}^* = \left[(1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} \frac{p_{1t}^{**}}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} K_{2t}.$$

Since $K_{1t} + K_{2t} = K_t$, Condition 2 leads to the following equality:

$$\left[(1-\alpha) A_t^{1-\alpha} \frac{p_{1t}^{**}}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} K_t = N_t. \quad (39)$$

(39) gives the long-run-state real wage rate:

$$\frac{w_t^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}} = (1-\alpha) A_t \left(\frac{K_t}{A_t N_t} \right)^{\alpha}. \quad (40)$$

w_t^{**} is the long-run-state nominal wage rate, and it is determined on the values of

p_{1t}^{**} , K_t , A_t , N_t , and α which are all known at the third subperiod of period $t-1$.³⁷ Let capital per effective labor in the right-hand side of (40) be designated by k_t , and that in the investment-goods sector and in the consumption-goods sector respectively by k_{1t} and k_{2t} :

$$k_t = \frac{K_t}{A_t N_t},$$

$$k_{1t} = \frac{K_{1t}}{A_t N_{1t}^{**}},$$

and

$$k_{2t} = \frac{K_{2t}}{A_t N_{2t}^{**}},$$

where $N_{1t}^{**} + N_{2t}^{**} = N_t$. Then (40) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{w_t^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}} &= (1-\alpha)A_t k_t^\alpha \\ &= (1-\alpha)A_t k_{1t}^\alpha \\ &= (1-\alpha)A_t k_{2t}^\alpha. \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

Therefore the following theorem holds:

Theorem 3: In the long-run state capital per effective labor coincides in the investment-goods sector and in the consumption-goods sector.

$(1-\alpha)A_t k_t^\alpha$ in (41) may be called the marginal product of labor as a whole. Denote it by MPL_t^{**} . Then, it follows from (9), (16), and (41) that $MPL_t^{**} = MPL_{1t}^{**} = MPL_{2t}^{**}$, and that they are all equal to the real wage rate w_t^{**}/p_{1t}^{**} .

Condition 3 holds as a result of arbitrage at the second subperiod of period $t-1$. The arbitrage takes place using (32) and (34) in the situation where $p_{1t}^* = p_{1t}^{**}$ and $w_t = w_t^{**}$ with i_t as given. It is possible only in the long-run state. It is reasonable to think that the asset price, \tilde{p}_{1t-1} , and capital stock in each sector, K_{1t} and K_{2t} , are adjusted at the second subperiod as follows. If $h_{1t}^* >$

$(<)i_t$, \tilde{p}_{1t-1} rises (falls).³⁸ And if $h_{2t}^* >$ $(<)i_t$, the ratio of K_{2t} to K_{1t} rises (falls). As a result, $h_{1t}^* = i_t = h_{2t}^*$ holds.³⁹ I will elaborate on this.

In the long-run state, the real interest rate as defined and Assumption (5) are respectively simplified as

$$\begin{aligned} r_t^{**} &= \frac{(1+i_t^{**})\tilde{p}_{t-1}^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}} \\ &= (1+i_t^{**})(1-\pi)-1, \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

and

$$\delta - \pi > 0, \quad (43)$$

because of Condition 4. And, taking (37) and (41) into consideration, (33) leads to

$$r_t^{**} + \delta = \alpha k_t^{\alpha-1} = \alpha k_{1t}^{\alpha-1} = \alpha k_{2t}^{\alpha-1}. \quad (44)$$

Call $\alpha k_t^{\alpha-1}$ in (44) the marginal product of capital as a whole, and denote it by MPK_t^{**} . Then, it is found from (10), (17), and (44) that $MPK_t^{**} = MPK_{1t}^{**} = MPK_{2t}^{**}$, and that they are all equal to the sum of the real interest rate and the capital depreciation rate.

More important, the first half of (44) means that the level of capital per effective labor as a whole determines the long-run-state real interest rate, which in turn specifies the long-run-state nominal interest rate i_t^{**} through (42) as follows:

$$i_t^{**} = \frac{1}{1-\pi} [\alpha k_t^{\alpha-1} - (\delta - \pi)]. \quad (45)$$

i_t^{**} is approximately equal to the difference between the marginal product of capital as a whole and the inflation-adjusted depreciation rate when the inflation rate is not far from zero. Once i_t is set at i_t^{**} as in (45), e.g., by the central bank, on the values of π , K_t , A_t , N_t , δ , and α which are all known at the second subperiod of period $t-1$, the asset price \tilde{p}_{1t-1}^{**} is so determined as to make h_{1t}^{**} and i_t^{**} equal with the result that the inflation rate takes a value of π .

Condition 4 consists of two parts, $[1/(1-\pi)]p_{1t}^{**}=p_{1t}^{**}$, and $[1/(1-\pi)]\tilde{p}_{1t}^{**}=p_{1t}^{**}$. It is found from the above argument that it is the nominal interest rate that determines the long-run-state inflation rate as in the latter part.⁴⁰ The former part may also come true, e.g., by means of monetary policy of the central bank.

(37) and (43) simplify (34) as

$$\frac{c}{1-c}\left[1-(\delta-\pi)\frac{\alpha}{r_t^{**}+\delta}\right]K_{1t}^{**}-\left[1+\frac{c}{1-c}(\delta-\pi)\frac{\alpha}{r_t^{**}+\delta}\right]K_{2t}^{**}=0. \quad (46)$$

Then, substituting $r_t^{**}+\delta=ak_t^{\alpha-1}$ in (44) into (46) and some calculations yield the ratios:

$$\frac{N_{1t}^{**}}{N_t}=\frac{K_{1t}^{**}}{K_t^{**}}=(1-c)+c(\delta-\pi)(k_t^{**})^{1-\alpha}, \quad (47)$$

and

$$\frac{N_{2t}^{**}}{N_t}=\frac{K_{2t}^{**}}{K_t^{**}}=c-c(\delta-\pi)(k_t^{**})^{1-\alpha}, \quad (48)$$

where $K_t^{**}=K_{1t}^{**}+K_{2t}^{**}$ and $K_t^{**}=K_t^{**}/A_tN_t$. The rightmost-hand sides of (47) and (48) include two terms. The former is the sum of the rate of saving $1-c$ and the term related to the inflation-adjusted depreciation rate $\delta-\pi$, while the latter is the difference between the rate of consumption c and the same term related to the inflation-adjusted depreciation rate. This inflation-adjusted depreciation rate plays a very important role in the analysis below.

Capital stock in each sector is adjusted during the second subperiod according to (47) and (48) with the result that $h_{2t}^{**}=i_t^{**}$ holds. K_{1t}^{**} and K_{2t}^{**} are determined on the values of π , K_t , A_t , N_t , δ , and α which are all known at the time and that of c which

must be known too. (47) and (48) show that N_{1t}^{**} and N_{2t}^{**} are also determined before the third subperiod of period $t-1$.⁴¹ It turns out that the long-run state is a kind of the Nash equilibrium.

8. Analysis of the Long-Run Steady State

The KS model in the long-run state is represented by capital per effective labor, k_t^{**} , as in usual growth models. The problem is what value k_t^{**} takes in this two-sector model. The answer is, however, just simple because the familiar method to analyze the long-run state which was developed by Solow (1956) can be used without reservation.⁴²

The equation of capital accumulation in the short run (29) also holds in the long-run state as follows:

$$K_{t+1}^{**}=(1-\delta)K_t^{**}+Q_{1t}^{**}. \quad (49)$$

Dividing both sides of (49) by $A_{t+1}N_{t+1}$ gives

$$k_{t+1}^{**}=\frac{(1-\delta)+c(\delta-\pi)}{(1+g)(1+n)}k_t^{**}+\frac{1-c}{(1+g)(1+n)}(k_t^{**})^\alpha, \quad (50)$$

because of (2), (36), and (47).⁴³ The long-run-state capital accumulation equation (50) is much the same as that of Solow (1956). A difference is the term $c(\delta-\pi)$, which comes from the budget constraints of the two sectors (4) and (13).

The economy is said to be in the long-run *steady* state when $k_{t+1}^{**}=k_t^{**}$, and the analysis focuses on the state. Let a subscript S represent the long-run steady state of the economy in what follows. Furthermore, let us drop “long-run” in the “long-run steady state” unless it involves ambi-

guity. Then it is easy to obtain the steady-state capital per effective labor:

$$k_S^{**} = \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}. \quad (51)$$

Here is a crucial assumption for the steady-state analysis:

$$g+n+\pi > 0, \quad (52)$$

which roughly asserts that the sum of the natural rate of growth and the inflation rate should be positive.⁴⁵ Assumptions (43) and (52) make k_S^{**} always positive. They also imply that $g+n+\delta > 0$.

Theorem 3 assures that

$$k_S^{**} = k_{S1}^{**} = k_{S2}^{**},$$

where

$$k_S^{**} = \frac{K_{St}^{**}}{A_t N_t},$$

$$k_{S1}^{**} = \frac{K_{S1t}^{**}}{A_t N_{S1t}^{**}},$$

$$k_{S2}^{**} = \frac{K_{S2t}^{**}}{A_t N_{S2t}^{**}},$$

$$K_{St}^{**} = K_{S1t}^{**} + K_{S2t}^{**},$$

and

$$N_t = N_{S1t}^{**} + N_{S2t}^{**}.$$

The KS model in the steady state is, therefore, completely characterized by k_S^{**} .

As for capital stock,

$$K_{St}^{**} = \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (53)$$

$$K_{S1t}^{**} = \frac{(1-c)(g+n+\delta)}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} K_{St}^{**}, \quad (54)$$

and

$$K_{S2t}^{**} = \frac{c(g+n+\pi)}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} K_{St}^{**}, \quad (55)$$

because of (47), (48), and (51).

As for output,

$$Q_{S1t}^{**} = A_t N_{S1t}^{**} (k_{S1}^{**})^\alpha$$

$$= A_t N_{S1t}^{**} (k_S^{**})^\alpha$$

$$= (g+n+\delta) \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (56)$$

$$Q_{S2t}^{**} = A_t N_{S2t}^{**} (k_{S2}^{**})^\alpha$$

$$= A_t N_{S2t}^{**} (k_S^{**})^\alpha$$

$$= (g+n+\pi) \frac{c}{1-c} \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (57)$$

and

$$Q_{St}^{**} = Q_{S1t}^{**} + Q_{S2t}^{**}$$

$$= A_t N_t (k_S^{**})^\alpha$$

$$= \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (58)$$

from (1), (12), (47), (48), and (51).⁴⁶

Finally, as for national income and saving in real terms,

$$\frac{Y_{St}^{**}}{p_{it}^{**}} = Q_{S1t}^{**} + Q_{S2t}^{**} - (\delta-\pi) K_{St}^{**}$$

$$= \frac{g+n+\pi}{1-c} \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (59)$$

and

$$\frac{S_{St}^{**}}{p_{it}^{**}} = \frac{(1-c) Y_{St}^{**}}{p_{it}^{**}}$$

$$= (g+n+\pi) \left[\frac{1-c}{g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (60)$$

because of (19) and (21).

Note that these macro variables are all influenced by the inflation rate π even in the long-run steady state unlike in usual growth models. Particularly it is easily shown from (53) and (58) that

$$\frac{\partial K_{St}^{**}}{\partial \pi} < 0, \quad (61)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial Q_{St}^{**}}{\partial \pi} < 0. \quad (62)$$

I think that these are very interesting facts which have not been established. Therefore, these results are worthy to be written down as the following proposition:⁴⁷

Proposition 2: In the long-run steady state economic growth is adversely affected by inflation.

Proposition 2 appears to contradict Proposition 1 because an increase in prices has a

favorable influence on an economy in the latter whereas the opposite is claimed in the former. Why? It is because an increase in prices has direct influence on production with capital stock as given in the latter, while capital stock and labor in each sector are adjusted to the inflation rate according to (47) and (48) in the former. In the long-run steady state the production sector retains $(\delta - \pi)K_{st}^{**}$ in real terms for capital depreciation each period. This constitutes the demand for investment goods. Therefore, the higher the inflation becomes, the lower the demand for investment goods, *ceteris paribus*. This long-run-state effect appears in (47). And capital accumulation is decelerated due to the effect in the first term of the right-hand side of (50).

In other words it is the household sector that is responsible. The result obtained in the short-run equilibrium state (28) still holds in the long-run steady state in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_{st}^{**}}{S_{st}^{**}} &= \frac{c}{1-c} \\ &= \frac{Q_{s2t}^{**}}{Q_{s1t}^{**} - (\delta - \pi)K_{st}^{**}}. \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

Intuitively speaking, since the ratio of consumption to saving is fixed *by the household sector*, an increase in π crowds out a part of Q_{s1t}^{**} from the denominator of (63), which in turn causes K_{st}^{**} to fall because output of investment goods is the source of capital stock itself. In due course Q_{st}^{**} is reduced.⁴⁸

Nevertheless Proposition 2 certainly breaks the law of superneutrality of money which is now recognized by most macroeconomists as true in the long run. Why? It is because the analysis is not yet com-

pleted.

9. Analysis of the Golden-Rule State

Consider the long-run steady state represented by (53)–(60). It is interesting to note that it is the household sector that is in a position to “control” the economy. If g , n , π , δ , and α are supposed to be given, only the rate of consumption c is variable. And it is the household sector that can change it. Then, what is the optimal rate of consumption for the household sector?

The rate that comes into my mind naturally is that which maximizes the *current* real consumption *every* period. The long-run steady state where current consumption is maximized is called the *golden-rule state* among macroeconomists. Needless to say, the golden rule was discovered by Oiko in Phelps (1961). The golden rule focuses simply on current consumption. What a nice idea! I remember that the Solovians were satisfied with that simple rule. However, recent textbooks of macroeconomics as well as academic researches are generally based on the rate which realizes the modified golden-rule state, in which an infinite-lived household maximizes a sum of discounted utilities in the infinite horizon subject to a resource constraint. Such an idea goes back to Ramsey (1928). One of the reasons why a sum of discounted utilities was recommended in his one-sector model is that the rate of saving is too high (or equivalently, the rate of consumption is too low) in terms of reality if utilities are not discounted.⁴⁹ The golden-rule state is regarded as an “undiscounted” case which is, according to Ram-

sey (1928, p. 543), “ethically indefensible.”

For example, in the case of the Cobb-Douglas production function, the golden-rule-state rate of consumption is calculated at $1-\alpha$, or the golden-rule-state rate of saving at α , as in Phelps (1961). On the other hand, it is well known that an actual value of α is around $\frac{1}{3}$. Therefore, the golden-rule-state rate of consumption (saving) turns out to be about $\frac{2}{3}$ ($\frac{1}{3}$). But this result does not fit the macro fact that an actual value of c is usually over 0.8 on average. Too low a rate of consumption and too high a rate of saving made the golden rule unrealistic. That is, I think, why the golden rule has been ignored in macroeconomics. Indeed the modified golden rule may make the rate of consumption a realistic value, but what if the golden rule can do it, too? If so, (and that is shown below,) there is not any reason, according to the principle of Occam’s razor, why the simple “true” golden rule is not used for analysis.⁵⁰

In the case considered in this paper the maximization of current consumption in the steady state is equivalent to that of output of consumption goods Q_{S2t}^{**} in (57). Let a subscript G represent the golden-rule state. Then, the golden-rule-state rate of consumption can be obtained by solving $dQ_{S2t}^{**}/dc=0$ and $d^2Q_{S2t}^{**}/dc^2 < 0$:⁵¹

$$c_G = \frac{(1-\alpha)(g+n+\delta)}{g+n+\pi+(1-\alpha)(\delta-\pi)}. \quad (64)$$

If the household sector chooses the rate of consumption c_G following the golden rule, it can always enjoy the maximum consumption the production technologies available make possible.⁵² What a wonder-

ful world!

Put, e.g., $g=0.01$, $n=0.005$, $\delta=0.06$, $\alpha=\frac{1}{3}$, and $\pi=0.01$. Then c_G is something like 0.86, which is plausible enough. I do not think that this example alone convinces macroeconomists, mainly because this paper deals only with a case without the government sector or the foreign sector. Anyway it can be said in this basic case that c_G is more than $1-\alpha$ under Assumptions (43) and (52) since

$$c_G = (1-\alpha) \left[1 + \frac{\alpha(\delta-\pi)}{g+n+\pi+(1-\alpha)(\delta-\pi)} \right] > 1-\alpha.$$

Similarly the golden-rule-state rate of saving is calculated at

$$1-c_G = \frac{\alpha(g+n+\pi)}{g+n+\pi+(1-\alpha)(\delta-\pi)}, \quad (65)$$

which is of course less than α .

When $c=c_G$, k_S^{**} in (51) is simplified as

$$k_G^{**} = \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}, \quad (66)$$

where $k_G^{**} = K_{Gt}^{**}/A_t N_t$, a subscript S being replaced by a subscript G .⁵³ Then the KS model in the golden-rule state is completely characterized by k_G^{**} .

As for capital stock,

$$K_{Gt}^{**} = \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \quad (67)$$

$$K_{G1t}^{**} = \alpha K_{Gt}^{**}, \quad (68)$$

and

$$K_{G2t}^{**} = (1-\alpha)K_{Gt}^{**}. \quad (69)$$

As for output,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{G1t}^{**} &= A_t N_{G1t}^{**} (k_{G1}^{**})^\alpha \\ &= A_t N_{G1t}^{**} (k_G^{**})^\alpha \\ &= (g+n+\delta) \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \end{aligned} \quad (70)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{G2t}^{**} &= A_t N_{G2t}^{**} (k_{G2}^{**})^\alpha \\ &= A_t N_{G2t}^{**} (k_G^{**})^\alpha \\ &= \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} (g+n+\delta) \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} A_t N_t, \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{Gt}^{**} &= Q_{G1t}^{**} + Q_{G2t}^{**} \\
 &= A_t N_t (k_C^{**})^\alpha \\
 &= \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{1-\alpha} A_t N_t. \quad (72)
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, as for national income and saving in real terms,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{Y_{Gt}^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}} &= Q_{G1t}^{**} + Q_{G2t}^{**} - (\delta - \pi) K_{Gt}^{**} \\
 &= \frac{g+n+\pi+(1-a)(\delta-\pi)}{a} \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{1-\alpha} A_t N_t, \quad (73)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{S_{Gt}^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}} &= (1 - c_G) Y_{Gt}^{**} \\
 &= (g+n+\pi) \left[\frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta} \right]^{1-\alpha} A_t N_t. \quad (74)
 \end{aligned}$$

In the long-run steady state macro variables are generally influenced by the inflation rate π as was seen from (53)–(60) in the previous section, while in the golden-rule state levels of capital stock and output are independent of it as is seen from (67)–(72). The superneutrality of money obtains. Hence the following proposition:

Proposition 3: In the golden-rule state money (or the inflation rate) does not influence real economy.

This is precisely what is called the neoclassical world. The law of superneutrality of money is kept due to the consumption-maximizing behavior of the household sector. Putting Propositions 1–3 together gives us a consistent understanding of the rather paradoxical relationship between prices and real economy.⁵⁴

Proposition 3 is easy to understand by seeing the golden-rule-state version of (63):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{C_{Gt}^{**}}{S_{Gt}^{**}} &= \frac{c_G}{1 - c_G} \\
 &= \frac{Q_{G2t}^{**}}{Q_{G1t}^{**} - (\delta - \pi) K_{Gt}^{**}}. \quad (75)
 \end{aligned}$$

Intuitively speaking again, an expansion of the denominator of (75) due to an increase in π causes the household sector to lower the rate of consumption because maximized output of consumption goods in the numerator is unchanged to π . It is the rate of consumption that is adjusted to inflation in the golden-rule state while it was output in the steady state as was seen in (63).

There remains to be considered the relationship appearing in (73) and (74). The next section discusses it in connection with an old controversy in macroeconomics.

10. Consumption Function Controversy Revisited

10.1. The Permanent Income Hypothesis

“Once upon a time,” there was a consumption function controversy among macroeconomists. It began when Kuznets (1942) found out the fact of and asked the reason for the secular stability in division of national income (or net national product) between consumption and investment, or the secular constancy of the rate of saving. The discovery of a “long-run” consumption function led to the re-examination of a “short-run” consumption function according to which the rate of saving should rise with income and in fact it had done so. Some new hypotheses appeared, trying to explain why a long-run consumption function is steeper than a short-run consumption function. Time has passed, and it is the permanent income hypothesis by Friedman (1957) that survived most influentially.⁵⁵

According to it, income can be divided into two components, permanent and transitory. Households tend to spend a certain

fraction of permanent (or expected) income. Variation in income as a whole is caused by that in transitory (or unexpected) income. The two components of income are not correlated, and the increase (decrease) in transitory income leads to the increase (decrease) in saving because consumption depends on permanent income which is assumed to be stable. As a result, when transitory income is positive (negative), the rate of consumption becomes lower (higher) than a long-run average. Hence the crossing of a short-run consumption function with a steeper long-run consumption function. Now the paradox is thought to completely be solved.⁵⁶

But the KS model sheds new light on this problem. Remember that in the KS model the economy is assumed to be always in the short-run equilibrium state. This means that unexpected income like transitory income never happens. The amount of national income paid at period t is determined at the third subperiod of period $t-1$ in the process of a production plan. The production plan is made on the basis of all information then available including the rate of consumption c of the household sector. Period t comes, and national income is paid as is planned. And income paid is divided into two parts, the purchasing power for consumption goods and that for investment goods as is expected at the previous period. The household sector does not change the rate of consumption, and all expectations are realized.

The permanent income hypothesis pays attention to the reaction of the household sector to an unexpected variation in income. In other words the household sector is permitted to change the rate of consump-

tion *after* period t has come. It seems that the hypothesis is based on a one-sector model and it may be assumed that the rate of consumption is easy to change because it is equivalent to a change in the division of a single-type good between consumption and investment. If corn is in a good harvest, store the surplus! In the light of the two-sector KS model, however, the permanent income hypothesis is tantamount to the claim that an unexpected variation in income comes from unplanned production of investment goods since production of consumption goods is assumed to be realized as planned. Indeed unexpected shocks to an economy appear to play a temporary part in the short-run consumption behavior, it may not be convincing to claim that unexpected shocks continued to generate pretty regular pattern of the short-run consumption behavior for decades. Nowadays it is widely agreed among macroeconomists that economic agents form expectations rationally using all information available and they do not repeat systematic failures. Thus it will be more convincing if the paradox of consumption functions is made clear on the assumption of nonexistence of unexpected factors. The KS model can do this.

10.2. The True Golden-Rule Hypothesis

Let us think of the golden-rule-state rate of consumption c_G as the slope of a long-run consumption function. This means that the long-run consumption behavior is the result of the optimal behavior of the household sector. This is a natural starting point. But it is also the end of argument. That is, in order to explain the consumption puzzle the KS model assumes that the

economy is always in the golden-rule state. It should be stressed at once that I do not argue that an actual economy always grows precisely on the golden-rule-state path. It is too apparent that the golden-rule state is an ideal one and that an economy diverges from it or even from the steady state. I just say that an economy tends to be in the neighborhood of the golden-rule state, so it is convenient and useful to analyze the economy as if it were exactly in the golden-rule state. If such principle is accepted, the slope of a short-run consumption function is also analyzed using c_G . The upshot is that the distinction between a short-run and a long-run consumption functions itself must be made obsolete.

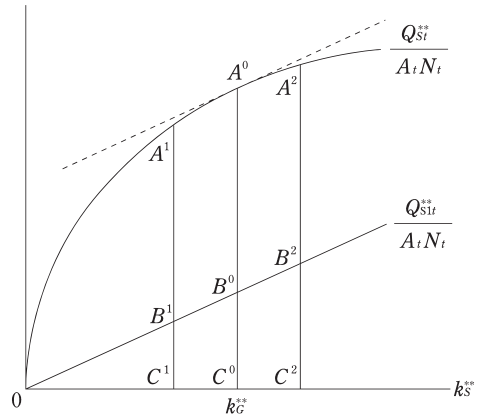
As is seen from (64), c_G is calculated on the basis of such information as g , n , δ , α , and π . Therefore, c_G , the slope of the consumption function, varies according as these parameters change. The slope of a “long-run” consumption function is the average value of c_G . Which parameter, then, dominates a “short-run” change in c_G ? The most plausible is the inflation rate π , which can vary during a comparatively short period. Thus, let us focus on the relationship between c_G and π with other parameters as fixed.⁵⁷

(64) tells us that in the golden-rule state the rate of consumption is a decreasing function of the inflation rate. In other words,

Proposition 4: Inflation (deflation) implies the lower (higher) rate of consumption and the higher (lower) rate of saving.

One may be under the impression that inflation (deflation) causes the increase

Figure 4. The Golden-Rule State.



(decrease) in real consumption level. It does *not*. The permanent income hypothesis was quite right concerning the stability of consumption level. As is obvious in (71), real consumption level is not at all affected by the inflation rate. It is real national income that varies with the inflation rate. (73) shows that inflation leads to an increase in real national income. Since real consumption is independent of the inflation rate, the ratio of consumption to national income, i.e., the rate of consumption, decreases as the inflation rate rises.⁵⁸

With regard to the rate of saving, both real saving (74) and real national income increase with the inflation rate. But (64) and (65) teach us that the rate of increase in saving is faster than that in national income.⁵⁹

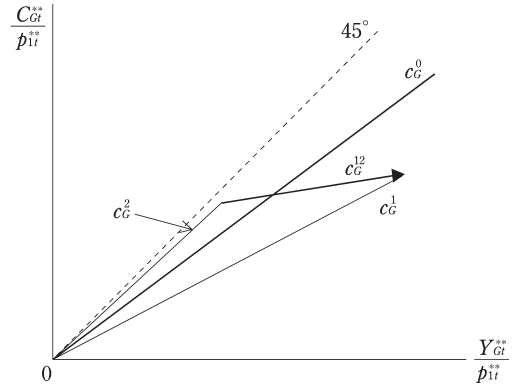
The argument above is made clear graphically. In Figure 4 is shown the golden-rule state in terms of effective labor.⁶⁰ Consider three values of the inflation rate, $\pi^1 > \pi^0 > \pi^2$, and the corresponding golden-rule-state rates of consumption, $c_G^1 < c_G^0 < c_G^2$. When $c = c_G^0$, the economy lies on Point A^0 , where consumption takes the maximum value $A^0 B^0$. $B^0 C^0$ is the corresponding output of investment goods.

Assume that the inflation rate rises to π^1 . What happens? If the economy diverges from the golden-rule state but remains in the long-run steady state, it shifts leftward, say, to Point A^1 due to (61) and (62). Both consumption and output of investment goods decrease to A^1B^1 and B^1C^1 , respectively. Then, what should the household sector do in order to make the maximum consumption possible again. The answer is very simple: Accumulate capital. To do so the household sector has only to lower the rate of consumption from c_G^0 to c_G^1 . Then the economy returns to the original golden-rule state (Point A^0) with a smaller c_G and a larger $1 - c_G$. This is a transitional process of adjustment to a rise in the inflation rate.

Next suppose that the inflation rate falls from π^0 to π^2 . π^2 may be negative, i.e., a case of deflation. Similarly, the economy shifts rightward, say, to Point A^2 . Consumption decreases to A^2B^2 while output of investment goods increases to B^2C^2 . What the household sector should do is to decumulate capital. This time the household sector has only to raise the rate of consumption from c_G^0 to c_G^2 . Then the economy comes back to the golden-rule state with a larger c_G and a smaller $1 - c_G$. This is a transitional process of adjustment to a fall of the inflation rate including deflation.⁶¹

Finally let us make clear what has been called the “marginal propensity to consume” for a long time, using the above graphical example again. Take two periods. One is period t with the inflation rate π^2 , and the other is the next period $t+1$ with the inflation rate π^1 . And assume that $g+n > 0$. Then this economy is character-

Figure 5. The “Short-Run” and the “Long-Run” Consumption Functions.



ized by a positive growth rate and an accelerating inflation rate which were typical of prosperity. Let c_G^{12} be

$$\frac{\frac{C_{Gt+1}^{**}}{p_{1t+1}^{**}} - \frac{C_{Gt}^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}}}{\frac{Y_{Gt+1}^{**}}{p_{1t+1}^{**}} - \frac{Y_{Gt}^{**}}{p_{1t}^{**}}}$$

c_G^{12} is the ratio of an increase in real consumption to that in real income. It is my opinion that c_G^{12} can be identified as the marginal propensity to consume which of course Keynes (1936) invented and became one of the symbols of Keynesian economics. c_G^{12} is also the slope of an observed “short-run” consumption function.

Simple calculations show that

$$c_G^{12} = \frac{(1-a)(g+n+\delta)}{g+n+\pi^2+(1-a)(\delta-\pi^2)+a(\pi^1-\pi^2)\frac{(1+g)(1+n)}{g+n}} \tag{76}$$

because of (22), (71), and (73). Hence the proposition concerning the “marginal propensity to consume:”

Proposition 5: The “marginal propensity to consume” is positive when the economy is growing and the inflation rate is accelerating.

Since $\pi^1 > \pi^0 > \pi^2$, it is found that $c_G^0 > c_G^{12}$. Figure 5 shows this situation.⁶² If c_G^0 is regarded as the average value of c_G , i.e., the slope of an observed “long-run” consumption function, the following proposition has been established:⁶³

Proposition 6: In the golden-rule state the slope of a “long-run” consumption function is steeper than that of a “short-run” consumption function.

Proposition 6 means a settlement of the consumption function controversy by the KS model.

The permanent income hypothesis explains the paradox of consumption functions exclusively within consumption behavior. Saving is regarded only as a “residual.”⁶⁴ And investment plays no part despite the literally long-run data analysis. On the contrary, the KS model solves the puzzle within the unified structure of consumption on one hand and, saving and investment on the other hand. It should be remembered that a macroeconomy is an organism like a human body, and therefore a one-sided analysis may be misleading.

11. Conclusion

There is a serious problem to academic researchers relying on Keynesian economics. The problem is that there is no basic model in Keynesian economics which is comparable to the Solow model in classical economics. It used to be the *IS-LM* model. And it was a basic model for the neoclassical synthesis, too. Admittedly it works even now to a certain extent. For

example, Blanchard (1997 b, p.101) supports it, saying, “to most economists, the *IS-LM* model still represents an essential building block-one that, despite its simplicity, captures much of what happens in the economy in the short and medium run.” But Krugman’s (1998, pp. 142-143) view is directly opposite: “Many macroeconomists believe that *IS-LM* is too ad hoc to be worthy of serious consideration.” Which one in the world should we believe? The problem is that opinions differ among economists as to it. It never obtains in the case of the Solow model. That is why the *IS-LM* model is today hard to regard as a basic model in Keynesian economics at least at the academic level.

In this paper I presented a model which can explain basic aspects of a macroeconomy both in the short run and in the long run. It is based simply on such principles as profit maximization of firms and utility maximization of households. The way the macro model is constructed is much the same as in microeconomics. It is based on various ideas of great macroeconomists, but no new concepts are introduced. The model used is *only one*. Nevertheless, it provides some new insight into the theories of consumption and investment. The model named the Keynes-Solow model is an attempt to unify the short-run macroeconomics (Keynesian economics) and the long-run macroeconomics (neoclassical economics) in a way different from Samuelson’s neoclassical synthesis and Solow’s proposal mentioned in Introduction.

Having studied the relationship between the short run and the long run in macroeconomics in one and the same model,

I'd like to make two remarks on how to see the short run and the long run. Firstly, it is important to recognize that even the short run involves dynamic decisions. The short run is often defined as a situation in which firms can make a production plan with capital stock as given. The short run in such a usual sense may correspond to two subperiods in the KS model, viz., the third subperiod of, say, period $t-1$ where capital stock K_{1t} and K_{2t} are already fixed, and the first subperiod of period t where the production plan is realized. In fact Sections 3-5 gave an analysis in such a traditional framework. Indeed capital stock K_{1t} and K_{2t} are taken as given at the third subperiod, but they are also the results of arbitrage at the second subperiod. And in the process of the arbitrage, K_{1t} and K_{2t} are adjusted on the basis of the expected values of nominal wage rate and expected price of investment goods which are determined at the third subperiod.⁶⁵ Thus, capital stock should be regarded as endogenous variables even in a short-run model. It is not correct to consider it literally given from outside the model.⁶⁶

Secondly, in my opinion, a macro model which lacks the *short-run foundation* is theoretically incomplete even if it has the long-run *microeconomic foundation*. It must always be prepared to explain what happens if a macroeconomy diverges from the long-run equilibrium state. Macroeconomics becomes more reliable if macroeconomists honestly admit that involuntary unemployment can exist. Nevertheless, it is often more appropriate to analyze an actual macroeconomy within the *long-run* framework because, as all macroeconomists will agree, a macroeconomy is a

truly dynamic phenomenon. It is quite possible that what appears to be a short-run phenomenon can be understood only from a long-run perspective. For example, it has been shown that the marginal propensity to consume, which is usually treated as a short-run concept, can be reinterpreted as a long-run one.

This paper dealt with the basic KS model in which a macroeconomy is made up of the production sector, the household sector, the central bank, and commercial banks. The KS model is not completed until both of the government sector and the foreign sector are introduced in it. Further results are expected from the complete KS model.

Appendices A-F

A. Proof of Lemma

Let $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ be the ratio of saving that goes to the purchase of investment goods at t . Then θS_t^e constitutes the expenditure on investment goods, while $(1-\theta)S_t^e$ is hoarded. On the other hand the production sector withholds the amount $p_{it}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t$ for capital depreciation. Thus, the total expenditure on investment goods is the sum of θS_t^e and $p_{it}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t$. The equilibrium of the investment-goods market is described by

$$p_{it}^e Q_{it}^e = \theta S_t^e + p_{it}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t.$$

Taking (21) and (24) into account, the equilibrium condition can be written as

$$(1 - \theta)[p_{it}^e Q_{it}^e - p_{it}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t] = 0.$$

When $0 \leq \theta < 1$, money is hoarded. In that case $p_{it}^e Q_{it}^e - p_{it}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t = 0$. It follows from (24) that the equilibrium national income vanishes, and therefore production is stopped. Q.E.D.

B. Proof of Theorem 1

For an arbitrary positive value of p_{1t}^e such that $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t > 0$, the amount of production of investment goods is $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e$, while the total expenditure on investment goods is the sum of S_t^e and $p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t$. But, from (21) and (24), this sum is always equal to $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e$. Whatever prices in the range specified above are expected, investment goods produced are always sold out. Q.E.D.

C. Derivation of Supply Curves Q_{1t}^S and Q_{2t}^S , and Demand Curve Q_{2t}^D

The consumption-goods supply curve Q_{2t}^S is none other than (15). To express it in a usual way, replace Q_{2t}^e and p_{2t}^e in (15) respectively with Q_{2t}^S and p_{2t} . Then,

$$Q_{2t}^S = p_{2t}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t}.$$

To examine the shape of the graph, differentiate Q_{2t}^S w.r.t. p_{2t} once and twice. Then,

$$\frac{dQ_{2t}^S}{dp_{2t}} = \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} p_{2t}^{\frac{1-2\alpha}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t} > 0,$$

and

$$\frac{d^2 Q_{2t}^S}{dp_{2t}^2} = \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \frac{1-2\alpha}{\alpha} p_{2t}^{\frac{1-3\alpha}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t} \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } 0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2} \\ = 0 & \text{if } \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \\ < 0 & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 1. \end{cases}$$

The shape of the supply curve in Figure 2 reflects the macro fact that α is around $\frac{1}{3}$.

The above argument on Q_{2t}^S applies to that on Q_{1t}^S in the same fashion.

Next consider the consumption-goods demand curve Q_{2t}^D . Needless to say, the demand for consumption goods is represented by the consumption function

(20). Substituting (19) into (20) gives

$$\begin{aligned} C_t^e &= c Y_t^e \\ &= c [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e + p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t] \\ &= c [p_{2t}^e Q_{2t}^e + p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t]. \end{aligned}$$

But it is measured in nominal terms. The *real* demand for consumption goods is obtained simply by dividing it by price:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{2t}^D &= \frac{C_t^e}{p_{2t}} \\ &= c Q_{2t}^e + \frac{c [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t]}{p_{2t}}. \end{aligned}$$

This is the demand for consumption goods in a usual way. Keep the above-mentioned macro fact in mind and differentiate Q_{2t}^D w.r.t. p_{2t} once and twice. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dQ_{2t}^D}{dp_{2t}} &= c \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} p_{2t}^{\frac{1-2\alpha}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t} \\ &\quad - \frac{c [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t]}{p_{2t}^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 Q_{2t}^D}{dp_{2t}^2} &= c \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \frac{1-2\alpha}{\alpha} p_{2t}^{\frac{1-3\alpha}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-\alpha)A_t}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{2t} \\ &\quad + \frac{2c [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t]}{p_{2t}^3} > 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from these results that demand curve Q_{2t}^D is bending forward and that it changes the sign of the slope at $p_{2t} = \bar{p}_{2t}$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{p}_{2t} &= \left[\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \frac{1-c}{c} \right]^\alpha \left[\frac{w_t}{(1-\alpha)A_t} \right]^{1-\alpha} \left[\frac{1}{K_{2t}} \right]^\alpha \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{c}{1-c} [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e(\delta - \pi_t^e)K_t] \right\}^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

The position of the demand curve in Figure 2 reflects another macro fact that $\alpha < c$. This means that \bar{p}_{2t} , not shown in the figure, is smaller than p_{2t}^e in (25).

D. Derivation of Capital Accumulation Equation (50)

$$\begin{aligned} h_{t+1}^{**} &= \frac{1-\delta}{(1+g)(1+n)} h_t^{**} + \frac{A_t N_{1t}^{**}}{A_{t+1} N_{1t+1}^{**}} (h_{1t}^{**})^\alpha \\ &= \frac{1-\delta}{(1+g)(1+n)} h_t^{**} + \frac{1}{(1+g)(1+n)} \frac{N_{1t}^{**}}{N_t^{**}} (h_{1t}^{**})^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1-\delta}{(1+g)(1+n)} k_t^{**} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{(1+g)(1+n)} [(1-c) + c(\delta-\pi)(k_t^{**})^{1-\alpha}] (k_t^{**})^\alpha \\
 &= \frac{(1-\delta) + c(\delta-\pi)}{(1+g)(1+n)} k_t^{**} + \frac{1-c}{(1+g)(1+n)} (k_t^{**})^\alpha.
 \end{aligned}$$

E. On Tobin's q

Tobin's q theory has been a very stimulating theme in macroeconomics as well as the paradox of a short-run and a long-run consumption functions. It was first proposed by Tobin (1969), and researchers such as Yoshikawa (1980) and Hayashi (1982) strengthened the theoretical ground with the help of the concept of adjustment costs introduced by Uzawa (1969). In general, analyses of the q theory are rather neoclassical long-run ones and they are very sophisticated as compared with simplicity of the original idea of Tobin. But an answer the KS model gives is very simple: Tobin's (average and also marginal) q is $(p_{1t}^e/\hat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$. The short run will do. No adjustment costs need to be relied on.

Here is the proof. Multiplying each side of (8) by p_{1t}^e yields the planned amount of production of investment goods

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e &= p_{1t}^e \left[(1-\alpha) A_t \frac{p_{1t}^e}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} K_{1t} \\
 &= \left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\hat{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \frac{r_t^e + \delta}{\alpha} p_{1t}^e K_{1t}. \tag{77}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\hat{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \frac{p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e}{p_{1t}^e K_{1t}}. \tag{78}$$

The denominator of the right-hand side of (78) represents the value of existing capital stock evaluated at the expected price p_{1t}^e of investment goods as flow at the first subperiod of period t , and p_{1t}^e is the replacement cost of capital stock. $p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e$

is the expected gross return on existing capital stock because

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - w_t N_{1t}^e &= p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (1-\alpha) Q_{1t}^e \\
 &= p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e,
 \end{aligned}$$

due to (9). Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{1t}^e \frac{\alpha Q_{1t}^e}{r_t^e + \delta} &\approx \frac{(1+\pi_t^e) p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e}{1+i_t + \delta} \\
 &+ \frac{(1+\pi_t^e)^2 p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e}{(1+i_t + \delta)^2} + \frac{(1+\pi_t^e)^3 p_{1t}^e \alpha Q_{1t}^e}{(1+i_t + \delta)^3} + \dots,
 \end{aligned}$$

the numerator of the right-hand side of (78) may be thought of as the discounted present value of the gross return on capital, or the value of capital stock, though some qualifications are required. Thus, $(p_{1t}^e/\hat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$, in my view, can be considered what Tobin (1969, p. 21) called q which is "the value of capital relative to its replacement cost."

Obviously the right-hand side of (78) represents Tobin's average q . But it is also marginal q because

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\left(p_{1t}^e \frac{\alpha Q_{1t}^e}{r_t^e + \delta}\right)}{d(p_{1t}^e K_{1t})} &= \frac{d(\alpha Q_{1t}^e)}{dK_{1t}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\hat{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},
 \end{aligned}$$

due to (77). Therefore, Tobin's q , average and marginal, is $(p_{1t}^e/\hat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$.

$(p_{1t}^e/\hat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$ is an increasing function of p_{1t}^e . (See Figure 3.) When the investment-goods sector expects the price of investment goods to rise faster (less fast) than the expected normal supply price \hat{p}_{1t}^e , it tends to accelerate (decelerate) production, *ceteris paribus*. In other words, $q > (<) 1$ implies the acceleration (deceleration) of production. When $p_{1t}^e = \hat{p}_{1t}^e$, i.e., $q = 1$, the investment-goods sector will not be tempted to alter the rate of growth of production. Someone may think of the effect of nominal interest rate on production of investment goods. But, as is appar-

ent from (8), nominal interest rate has no influence on production of investment goods. Indeed production of investment goods is superficially affected by a change of real interest rate, but it is the expected price of investment goods that has direct influence on production of investment goods.

Tobin's q represented by $(p_{1t}^e/\widehat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$ is defined both in the short run and in the long run. But, as is obvious, the q theory comes into its own in the short run or in the *non*-neoclassical environment where $q \neq 1$ in general. In the long-run state or in the neoclassical environment q always equals unity. (See (37).) In fact Tobin (1969, p. 23) wrote, "... $q=1$. This may be regarded as a condition of equilibrium in the long run." In such a situation the relation between price and production is quite different. Recall Propositions 2 and 3.

The KS model gives further insight into the original Tobin's q . There are two qs in fact. They may be called q_1 and q_2 , where

$$q_1 = \left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\widehat{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},$$

and

$$q_2 = \left(\frac{p_{2t}^e}{\widehat{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \frac{p_{2t}^e \frac{\alpha Q_{2t}^e}{r_t^e + \delta}}{p_{1t}^e K_{2t}^e}.$$

q_1 is the original q , while q_2 is that of the consumption-goods sector. q_1 and q_2 appeared respectively in (32) and the first half of (34) where e is replaced with $*$. The above argument on q (or q_1) similarly applies to that on q_2 , i.e., $q_2 > (<) 1$ implies the acceleration (deceleration) of production of consumption goods. Thus, the q theory is applicable not only to investment goods but also to consumption goods. However, it is p_{1t}^e that counts, because p_{2t}^e

is an increasing function of p_{1t}^e . (See (25).) An increase in p_{1t}^e leads to an increase in both q_1 and q_2 , which in turn causes an increase of production in both the investment-goods sector and the consumption-goods sector. This is the interpretation of Proposition 1 by Tobin's q .

F. On the MM Theorem

To me, including related literature such as Stiglitz (1969), the MM theorem has been difficult and thus mysterious except for an impression that it was a declaration of triumph of economic theory over contemporary doctrines on corporate investment policy. To be honest, I have not dwelt on it as an essential part of macroeconomics. In fact, Modigliani (1980, p. xiii) says, "the issue examined and the method of attack fall somewhat outside traditional macroeconomics" However, having constructed the KS model, I have noticed that the MM theorem and the KS model are closely connected, though at a macroeconomic level, and as a corollary that so are the MM theorem and Tobin's q theory. In this final appendix I will show these relationships.

Modigliani and Miller (1958) concentrated on a group of firms or an industry which is characterized by ρ_k with k as a class of the group. ρ_k is the expected rate of return on equities in the absence of debt-financing, where all of profit earned belongs to equity holders. They showed three propositions concerning the cost of capital. So let us proceed in turn.

First take the investment-goods sector as an industry examined here and let k be 1. (In the case of the consumption-goods

sector $k=2$.) Then, in the KS model,

$$\rho_{1t} \equiv \frac{p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - w_t N_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}} \quad (79)$$

$$= \frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}} \left[\left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} (r_t^e + \delta) - (\delta - \pi_t^e) \right], \quad (80)$$

because of (7) and (8). In the MM theorem ρ_k appears only as a “constant,” while the KS model can specify ρ_{1t} as in (80).

Let \bar{X}_{1t} stand for the expected return on the assets used by the investment-goods sector. Denote by D_{1t} the market value of the debts of the sector; by S_{1t} the market value of its equities; and by $V_{1t} \equiv S_{1t} + D_{1t}$ the market value of the sector. In terms of the KS model, $\bar{X}_{1t} = p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - w_t N_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}$, $D_{1t} = \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d$, and $S_{1t} = \tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h$, where $K_{1t}^h + K_{1t}^d = K_{1t}$. Then, the budget constraint on the investment-goods sector (4) can be written as:

$$V_{1t} \equiv S_{1t} + D_{1t} = \frac{\bar{X}_{1t}}{\rho_{1t}}. \quad (81)$$

(81) is a macro version of Proposition I of Modigliani and Miller (1958, p. 268). But (81) is only a budget constraint, while their proposition states that the market value of any firm in class k is independent of its capital structure as a result of arbitrage. The average cost of capital of the investment-goods sector is defined as the ratio of the expected return to the market value. Then, (81) can also be expressed as:

$$\frac{\bar{X}_{1t}}{V_{1t}} = \rho_{1t}.$$

That is, the average cost of capital of the investment-goods sector is completely independent of its capital structure and is equal to the capitalization rate ρ_{1t} of a pure equity stream of the sector.

Next consider the relationship among h_{1t}^e , i_t , and ρ_{1t} . From (30),

$$h_{1t}^e - i_t = \{ [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - w_t N_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t} - p_{1t}^e (r_t^e$$

$$+ \pi_t^e) K_{1t}] / (\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}) \} / [(\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}) / (\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h)]. \quad (82)$$

Substituting (79) into (82) and remembering the definitions of D_{1t} and S_{1t} lead to

$$h_{1t}^e = \rho_{1t} + (\rho_{1t} - i_t) \frac{D_{1t}}{S_{1t}}.$$

That is, the expected rate of return on equities h_{1t}^e is equal to the capitalization rate ρ_{1t} for a pure equity stream, plus a premium related to financial risk equal to the debt-to-equity ratio times the spread between ρ_{1t} and i_t . This result corresponds to Proposition II of Modigliani and Miller (1958, p. 271).

Proposition III of Modigliani and Miller (1958, p. 288) can be rephrased in terms of the KS model as follows: If the investment-goods sector is acting in the best interest of the equity holders, the marginal cost of capital (or equivalently, the rate of return on the investment) should be equal to the average cost of capital, which is in turn equal to the capitalization rate ρ_{1t} for an unlevered stream in the sector. The marginal cost of capital may be defined as $d\bar{X}_{1t}/dV_{1t}$, though they did not define it explicitly. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\bar{X}_{1t}}{dV_{1t}} &= \frac{d[p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - w_t N_{1t}^e - p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}]}{d[\tilde{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}]} \\ &= \frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}} \frac{d[aQ_{1t}^e - (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}]}{dK_{1t}} \\ &= \frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t-1}} \left[\left(\frac{p_{1t}^e}{\tilde{p}_{1t}^e} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} (r_t^e + \delta) - (\delta - \pi_t^e) \right] \\ &= \rho_{1t}. \end{aligned}$$

As is apparent, $d\bar{X}_{1t}/dV_{1t}$ is also the rate of return on the investment. Remember that the investment-goods sector maximizes h_{1t}^e in (4). Therefore, Proposition III also obtains in the KS model. Similar arguments apply to the consumption-goods sector.

Like the q theory, the MM theorem also

has its *raison d'être* in the short run, where $h_{1t}^e \neq \rho_{1t}$ and $\rho_{1t} \neq i_t$ in general. In the long run $h_{1t}^e = \rho_{1t} = i_t$ holds, and it degenerates into tautology. Modigliani and Miller (1958, p. 264) rightly recognized it, saying, “the approach is essentially a partial-equilibrium one focusing on the firm and “industry.” Accordingly, the “prices” of certain income streams will be treated as constant and given from outside the model, just as in the standard Marshallian analysis of the firm and industry the prices of all inputs and of all other products are taken as given.”

Now the relationship between the MM theorem and Tobin's q theory can be made clear. From the previous appendix, $(p_{1t}^e / \hat{p}_{1t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$ and $(p_{2t}^e / \hat{p}_{2t}^e)^{1/\alpha}$ are two qs , q_1 and q_2 , respectively. Taking account of (80), the following simple relations hold:

$$q_1 \cong 1 \Leftrightarrow \rho_{1t} \cong i_t,$$

and

$$q_2 \cong 1 \Leftrightarrow \rho_{2t} \cong i_t.$$

That is, the MM theorem and Tobin's q theory are mathematically equivalent. Both of them are a short-run partial-equilibrium approach and deal with a production sector that maximizes the rate of return on equities. A difference from an economic point of view lies in how to see investment behavior. The q theory sees it through a production function while the MM theorem through a budget constraint.

Notes

1 It is hard to find macroeconomists but Solow who regard the synthesis of macroeconomics as the most urgent need. As far as I know, Blanchard (1997a) thinks of a neoclassical synthesis as a core of macroeconomics.

2 See intermediate textbooks such as Dorn-

busch and Fischer (1994), Mankiw (1994), Sachs and Larrain (1993), and Blanchard (1997b).

- 3 There have been different views on money among macroeconomists. Needless to say, Keynes (1936) himself emphasized the role of money (or correctly speaking, cash) as a means of store of value in the short run. His proponents such as Tobin (1955, 1965), Mundell (1971), and recently Ono (2001) attached importance to the influence of money on a macroeconomy even in the long run or in a dynamic setting. On the other hand, old and new Keynesians such as Klein (1947) and Romer (2000), and neoclassical economists such as Viner (1937) cast doubt on the relevancy of Keynes's liquidity preference theory (or the LM curve).
- 4 The earliest studies on two-sector growth models include Shinkai (1960), Meade (1961), and Uzawa (1961-62, 1963). Particularly under the stimulus of interesting features of Uzawa's neoclassical model immediately followed further investigations including Solow (1961-62), Inada (1963), and Takayama (1963). Since then neoclassical two-sector models have been examined thoroughly and extended by Foley and Sidrauski (1971), Boldrin and Montrucchio (1986), and recently Benhabib et al. (2002), to name only a few. There are also studies on Keynesian two-sector models such as Mackay and Waud (1975), Benavie (1976), and Chakrabarti (1979). However, no one made an attempt to analyze a macroeconomy both in the short run and in the long run using a two-sector model.
- 5 There are the pros and cons of the use of the $AD-AS$ model even as a teaching tool. For example, Blanchard and Fischer (1989) and Mankiw (1998) are for it, while Barro (1994) and most writers in Rao (1998) against it.
- 6 On the second page of his famous paper, Hicks (1937) made a two-sector model to compare Keynes's (1936) theory and a (neo) classical one. To make a long story short, the KS model here can be regarded as the exten-

sion and refinement of the *second-page* model, not the *IS-LM* model starting on the third page. Meade (1936-37) also formulated Keynes (1936) in the form of the two-sector model very similar to that of Hicks, whereas Meade (1961) examined a two-sector neoclassical growth model, taking no account of the relationship between the two two-sector models. The KS model is an attempt to combine two Meades, too.

Recently Goodfriend and King (1997) advanced a “new neoclassical synthesis,” which builds on the combination of New Classical macroeconomics, real-business-cycle theory, and New Keynesian economics, in order to analyze short-run economic fluctuations and monetary policy. Because of its theoretical rigor and modernity, it now constitutes a consensus view among a young generation of macroeconomists. But, as Goodfriend and King admit, the models of the new neoclassical synthesis are complex. I intend to make the KS model as simple as the Solow model. For the evaluation of the old and new neoclassical syntheses in a history of macroeconomics, see Mankiw (2006).

- 7 As will be shown in the lemma in Section 4, this assumption is not a mere one but an indispensable one to the KS model.
- 8 As will be discussed in Section 5, the market equilibrium is attained neither through the Walrasian price adjustment process nor through the Marshallian (or so-called Keynesian) quantity adjustment process. It is assumed to be realized by a correct production plan by each sector, or to put it in a modern way, rational expectations, which are “essentially the same as the predictions of the relevant economic theory,” as Muth (1961, p. 316) proposed.
- 9 “Bank deposits” can be replaced by “corporate bonds.” The point is that households have a means of store of value which makes the nominal rate of return certain.
- 10 For a mathematical description, see (31), (32), and (34) in Section 6.
- 11 Time-inconsistency is excluded.
- 12 What if the central bank offers to issue more money than the production sector needs? According to the quantity theory of money, expected prices and planned production should be adjusted *upward* accordingly. It is interesting to point out that Adam Smith (1776, p. 323) argued for the “reverse” quantity theory of money, in which “The quantity of money, therefore, which can be annually employed in any country, must be determined by the value of the consumable goods annually circulated within it. ... The quantity of money ... must in every country naturally increase as the value of the annual produce increases.” It may be comparable to the relationship between the number of books students demand to borrow and that which a university library holds (and can supply). In this paper I take a compromise between the two, as will be discussed in Section 5. For “reverse causation,” see also King and Plosser (1984) who, using a real business cycle model, found empirically that the expansion of *inside* money (bank deposits) followed that of output, while changes in *outside* money (currency or high-powered money) and real activity resulted in inflation.
- 13 These definitions of the short run and the long run can also be applied in their own right to the argument on the Phillips curve pioneered by Friedman (1966, 1968) and Phelps (1967, 1968).
- 14 I know well that this assumption dissatisfies endogenous growth theorists.
- 15 It should be noted that this constraint is a nominal one, not a real one as a resource constraint.
- 16 As said in the previous section, investment goods of, say, period $t - 1$ have two prices, i.e., that of investment goods as flow (or equivalently, output price), and that of investment goods as stock (or asset price). The latter is distinguished by a superimposed tilde as in \tilde{p}_{1t-1} .
- 17 Allow me to use the term “inflation rate” for $(p_{1t}^e - \tilde{p}_{1t-1})/\tilde{p}_{1t-1}$ since I don’t think of a proper name for it. It is usual to define the

inflation rate as the rate of change of a weighted average of prices of investment goods and consumption goods. In fact this problem disappears in the long run because all prices are assumed to change at the same rate.

18 It is assumed that the investment-goods sector is always on the labor demand curve.

19 But what is profit in macroeconomics? Strange to say, macroeconomics textbooks do not define it clearly. In order to discuss it, it is advisable to wait until the real interest rate appears. See note 33 below for the definitions of profit.

20 A rate of return is usually defined as the ratio of income gains and capital gains to the asset price. As is seen from (3), however, rates of return in this paper are concerned with income gains only. It is not appropriate to include capital gains taking place at the second subperiod because they are not income defined as in (11).

21 Remember that the economy is at the third subperiod of period $t-1$. Period t has not come yet.

22 Kurz (1963) extended Swan's model and investigated a two-sector neoclassical growth model when the two sectors have the Cobb-Douglas production functions with different exponents.

23 In this basic case national income equals disposable income of the household sector.

24 c corresponds to the *average* propensity to consume in a usual sense, but it is different from the *marginal* propensity to consume. This is fully discussed in Section 10.

25 Substituting (22) into (19) yields

$$Y_t^e = C_t^e + [p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}^e - p_{2t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_t].$$

This equation and the consumption function (20) constitute what Samuelson (1948, p. 135) called the "nucleus of the Keynesian reasoning."

26 This may be called the no-Pope's-father condition. See Keynes (1936, p. 221). Keynes argued that the *high* propensity to hoard depresses economy. The above lemma says that even the *low* propensity to hoard col-

lapses economy. In his article approved by Keynes, Lerner (1936, p. 443) wrote as follows: "The total income of society (Y) is made up of the income earned in making consumption goods (C) and the income earned in making investment goods (I). $Y=C+I$. Now C , which stands for income earned in making consumption goods, must also stand for the amount spent on buying consumption goods, since these two are in fact the same thing. (Similarly I stands also for the amount of *money spent on investment goods*.)" (Italics added by me.) This statement is also a proof of the lemma, though against their will.

27 Proposition 1 is related with the famous Tobin's q theory of investment. The q theory has been studied in a long-run neoclassical environment, but in my opinion it should be understood within a short-run partial-equilibrium framework. This is discussed in Appendix E. Furthermore, in Appendix F (the last appendix) the Modigliani-Miller theorem, which is also well-known in investment theory, is restated within the same framework as Appendix E, and it is concluded that the q theory and the MM theorem are theoretically equivalent against Tobin's (1980, p. 90) negation. You are rather recommended to read Appendixes E and F after the conclusion (Section 11) of this paper in order to be able to know the relationship between the short run and the long run.

28 Supply curves Q_{1t}^S and Q_{2t}^S , and demand curve Q_{2t}^D are derived in Appendix C. In passing, as far as I know, no supply curve or demand curve with such shape as in Figures 1 and 2 has not been drawn in macroeconomics.

29 Remember once again that the economy is still at the third subperiod of period $t-1$. Period t has not come yet.

30 This principle implies that the central bank can check inflation but cannot stop deflation. Thus, Friedman (1966, p. 24) is right in saying, "Since inflation results from unduly rapid monetary expansion, the government is responsible for any inflation that occurs," but it is not the case with deflation.

31 See also (24).

32 See also (27).

33 As was suggested in note 20, the definition of profit is ambiguous in macroeconomics. I doubt if macroeconomists have the definition of profit in common. In microeconomics profit is always defined as the difference between total revenue and total cost. And total cost is the sum of variable cost and fixed cost. But even in the light of this definition the profit of, say, the investment-goods sector can be interpreted twofold. One is $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} - w_t N_{1t} - [i_t \bar{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d + p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}] (= h_{1t}^e \bar{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h)$, while the other is $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} - w_t N_{1t} - p_{1t}^e (r_t^e + \delta) K_{1t} (= (h_{1t}^e - i_t) \bar{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^h)$. In both cases the total revenue and the variable cost are respectively $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t}$ and $w_t N_{1t}$. The difference is the fixed cost. It is $i_t \bar{p}_{1t-1} K_{1t}^d + p_{1t}^e (\delta - \pi_t^e) K_{1t}$ in the former case while $p_{1t}^e (r_t^e + \delta) K_{1t}$ in the latter case. The former case is more faithful to the microeconomics definition, but the latter is often to be seen and more convenient because a usual microeconomic analysis can directly be applied. When it comes to the rate of profit, the suitable definition is $p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} - w_t N_{1t} - p_{1t}^e \delta K_{1t}$ where $p_{1t}^e \delta K_{1t}$ is the “true” capital consumption, not the inflation-adjusted capital consumption. According to it, the rate of profit is defined as $(p_{1t}^e Q_{1t} - w_t N_{1t} - p_{1t}^e \delta K_{1t}) / p_{1t}^e K_{1t}$. Fortunately the maximization of any “profit” mentioned above leads to the first-order condition (9). The same argument holds in the consumption-goods sector.

34 See Keynes (1936, p. 228).

35 Remember that the expected inflation rate was defined as $\pi_t^e = 1 - (\bar{p}_{1t-1} / p_{1t}^e)$ in Section 3.

36 Considering (8), (15), (37), and (39), (38) can also be written as

$$Q_t^{**} = A_t^{1-a} N_t^{1-a} K_t^a.$$

This may be regarded as the original Cobb-Douglas production function. A_t^{1-a} corresponds to what Cobb and Douglas (1928, p. 155) called a “catch-all.”

37 Using (7), (14), and (25), the demand for labor can generally be written as follows:

$$N_{1t}^* + N_{2t}^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[(1-a) A_t^{1-a} \frac{p_{1t}^*}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{a}} K_{1t} + \left[(1-a) A_t^{1-a} \frac{p_{2t}^*}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{a}} K_{2t} \\ &= (p_{1t}^*)^{\frac{1}{a}} \left[(1-a) A_t^{1-a} \frac{1}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1}{a}} K_{1t} \\ &\quad + \frac{c}{1-c} \frac{1-a}{w_t} \left\{ (p_{1t}^*)^{\frac{1}{a}} \left[(1-a) A_t \frac{1}{w_t} \right]^{\frac{1-a}{a}} K_{1t} - p_{1t}^* (\delta - \pi_t^*) K_{1t} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the demand for labor is a decreasing function of the nominal wage rate w_t . It happens that labor market is cleared even in the short run, but it is not usually so because the price of investment goods is assumed to be known after the nominal wage rate is determined. The price can be expected for certain in the long-run state.

38 See Figure 3. The graph of \bar{p}_{1t}^e shifts upward (downward) when \bar{p}_{1t-1} rises (falls). When \bar{p}_{1t}^e coincides with p_{1t}^e on the 45° line, $h_{1t}^e = i_t$ holds. In the short-run equilibrium state $\bar{p}_{1t}^e = \bar{p}_{1t}^*$ and $h_{1t}^e = h_{1t}^*$.

39 An important point is that the asset price must always be so determined as to satisfy the budget constraints. In this respect so-called asset bubble can be directly caused only by a sharp rise in the expected price of investment goods *as flow*, not as stock, of the next period.

40 It has been claimed in the name of the Fisher effect that the nominal interest rate is determined as the sum of the real interest rate and the inflation rate in the long run. I argue for the opposite, i.e., the claim that the inflation rate is determined as the difference between the nominal interest rate and the real interest rate in the long run.

41 It is easy to show that in the long-run state the budget constraints of the two sectors can be unified into the following equation:

$$p_{1t}^{**} Q_{1t}^{**} = w_t^{**} N_t^{**} + p_{1t}^{**} (r_t^{**} + \delta) K_t,$$

where $p_{1t}^{**} (r_t^{**} + \delta)$ corresponds to what Jorgenson (1963, p. 249) called the user cost of capital. On the basis of (44), someone may say that Condition 3 means the equality of the capital demand by firms with existing capital through the adjustment of the real interest rate, as is often argued. But it doesn't. In the KS model it is households that demand capital (as a means of store of value). Firms are merely institutions that produce goods using

existing capital for profit maximization. Condition 3, or correctly speaking $h_{1t}^{**} = i_t^{**} = h_{2t}^{**}$, is the result of arbitrage as said in the text.

42 We have already celebrated “the 50 th anniversary of the neoclassical model of growth; astonishingly, it is still alive and well. There is not really any competing model. In the broad sense in which I use the term, the “endogenous growth” models of Romer and Lucas and their successors are entirely neoclassical. So the *basic* model has survived for 50 years.” (Solow, 2005, p. 4, the italics in the original.) Macroeconomists have not gotten a more robust growth model than the Solow model.

43 Appendix D shows how to derive (50).

44 For convenience’ sake $g+n+gn$ is written simply as $g+n$ in what follows. Thus $g+n$ such as that in the denominator of (51) must be read as $g+n+gn$.

45 For the implication of Condition (52), see note 61.

46 (53) and (58) yield $Q_{st}^{**}/K_{st}^{**} = g+n+\pi+(1-c)(\delta-\pi)$. This is one of “fundamental growth equations” Hahn and Matthews (1964, p. 824) enumerated in their survey of the theory of economic growth, if $g=\pi=0$.

47 Moreover it is obvious that $\partial K_{st}^{**}/\partial\pi < 0$, $\partial Q_{st}^{**}/\partial\pi < 0$, $\partial(K_{st}^{**}/K_{st}^{**})/\partial\pi < 0$, and $\partial(K_{st}^{**}/K_{st}^{**})/\partial\pi > 0$, but the signs of $\partial K_{st}^{**}/\partial\pi$ and $\partial Q_{st}^{**}/\partial\pi$ are not determinate.

48 Based on a statistical analysis of roughly a hundred countries since 1965, Barro (1997) obtained the result that higher inflation leads to a lower rate of economic growth. But no theoretical grounds are provided. Proposition 2 may serve as a clue.

49 See Ramsey (1928, pp. 548–549).

50 The golden rule may be rather for “rich” countries if Harrod (1969, p. 200) is right to say, “Opinions differ about how important a part ... preference for present over future utilities, called by Pigou ‘lack of telescopic faculty,’ plays in the individual’s saving schedule. I would suppose it to play an unimportant part, except in the case of very poor, and thereby improvident, societies.”

51 In fact it is easier to get c_c from the fact that $Q_{st}^{**} = [(k_s^{**})^\alpha - (g+n+\delta)k_s^{**}]A_t N_t$, which is derived immediately from (56)–(58).

52 There were also economists who, on the contrary, paid attention to the “optimum propensity to consume” which maximizes production of investment goods. For details, see Lange (1938).

53 Note that the golden-rule state is a special case of the steady state which is a special case of the long-run equilibrium state which is a special case of the short-run equilibrium state. The KS model, basic building blocks of which are (1), (2), (4), (12), (13), (19), and (20), is only one throughout.

54 It is also important to point out the following facts in the golden-rule state: As to the ratio of the investment-goods sector to the consumption-goods sector,

$$\frac{K_{G1t}^{**}}{K_{G2t}^{**}} = \frac{Q_{G1t}^{**}}{Q_{G2t}^{**}} = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha},$$

and as to the capital-output ratio as a whole,

$$\frac{K_{Gt}^{**}}{Q_{Gt}^{**}} = \frac{\alpha}{g+n+\delta}.$$

The latter result can also be written as $K_{Gt}^{**} = [\alpha/(g+n+\delta)]Q_{Gt}^{**}$. This may be the relationship between capital stock and output from which the acceleration principle and the capital stock adjustment principle have been derived. Particularly the value of the coefficient of Q_{Gt}^{**} is around 4.4, using the example given in the text.

55 For example, Deaton (1992), a critical survey of the modern consumption theories, is for the most part related with the permanent income hypothesis. For the consumption function controversy, see Ackley (1961, Chapter 10).

56 The terms “permanent” and “transitory” components were originally used by Friedman and Kuznets (1945) in their study of incomes of professions such as physicians, dentists, lawyers, and certified public accountants. It is interesting to note that Friedman (1957) focused on consumption, whereas Kuznets (1952) placed emphasis on the saving process, to explain essentially the same thing, the secular stability of the rate of consump-

tion or saving.

57 RBC theorists shall not miss g .

58 On the basis of the life cycle-permanent income hypothesis, Hall (1978) established empirically the famous “random walk hypothesis.” According to it, future consumption is unrelated to current income, and only current consumption has the predictive power with respect to future consumption. From the viewpoint of the KS model, his result reflects the stability of consumption trend as shown in (71) and the variability of income in response to inflation as shown in (73). He also found that changes in stock prices have a measurable value in predicting changes in consumption. This result can be explained by Proposition 1 to some extent.

59 How about labor share? Labor share here is the ratio of real labor income to real national income. Golden-rule-state labor income is calculated at $(1-\alpha)Q_{c_t}^{**}$ using (9) and (16). It is constant irrespective of the inflation rate. Then it is conjectured that inflation (deflation) gives rise to lower (higher) labor share.

60 See also note 51.

61 Deflation was a rare phenomenon after World War II. Thus, unlike inflation, it was not a main theme in macroeconomics until Krugman (1998) revived the concept of the liquidity trap. Certainly deflation of Japan since the mid-1990s is a new challenge to macroeconomists. Two comments on deflation can be made, though it is not the subject of this paper. First, the KS model is able to give a numerical example. Put $g=0.015$, $n=0$, $\delta=0.06$, $\alpha=\frac{1}{3}$, and $\pi=-0.01$. Then c_G is around 0.97, and $1-c_G$ is around 0.03. This example seems to represent very recent experience of Japan. Second, deflation is quite different from inflation. Recall the assumption that $g+n+\pi>0$ in (52). Now imagine a situation in which the value of $g+n+\pi$ is approaching 0 due to deflation. It is found from (57) and (59) that national income as well as consumption is vanishing simultaneously. Furthermore, by using (45) and (66) the golden-rule-state *nominal* interest rate

can be calculated as $i_c^*=(g+n+\pi)/(1-\pi)$. Thus the aggravation of deflation is also a process in which the nominal interest rate tends to 0, which may cause money hoarding. See again the lemma in Section 4. And in the limiting case where $g+n+\pi=0$, the golden rule makes no sense. Deflation is really a serious problem.

62 The reader is urged to compare this figure with Figure 13 in Friedman (1957, p. 117). See also Figure 4 in Duesenberry (1949, p. 114).

63 Let us make a numerical example using the same parameter values as in the previous section: $g=0.01$, $n=0.005$, $\delta=0.06$, and $\alpha=\frac{1}{3}$.

Set $\pi^1=0.02$, $\pi^0=0.01$, and $\pi^2=0.00$. 0.01 was used in the previous section as a value for π . Then approximately $c_c^1=0.81$, $c_c^0=0.86$, and $c_c^2=0.91$. c_c^{12} turns out, in this case, to be about 0.1. Certainly $c_c^{12}<c_c^0$. But this value may be too low as compared with an example often cited in textbooks like 0.75. Nevertheless, it should be added that the marginal propensity to consume out of *current* income is fairly lower than is generally recognized. For example, Friedman and Becker (1957) estimated it at 0.29, while Blanchard (1997b, p. 71) at 0.17.

64 See Friedman (1957, p. 28). This view coincides with that of Keynes (1936, pp. 64, 210).

65 In other words, K_{1t} and K_{2t} are adjusted on information that are not fixed until the third subperiod. Thus the adjustment of asset market is more difficult than that of labor market.

66 The short-run approach suggested in the text can be called the profit maximization after portfolio selection. I think that it explains why a linear homogeneous production function like the Cobb-Douglas can be used in a macro analysis. Mathematically it is well known that a two-variable function homogeneous of degree one can not be maximized with respect to the two variables, but it seems to me that the important fact is usually ignored especially in a neoclassical analysis. See, for example, Blanchard and Fischer (1989, p. 49) and Jones (2002, pp. 22-23). Then it may not be meaningless to stress

that profit calculated from a linear homogeneous function is *not* maximized with respect to labor *and* capital. It is correct to say that the profit is maximized with respect to labor *after* capital is adjusted through portfolio selection. See (7) and (14) again.

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