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Lecture 2

- Time (Intertemporal economics)
 - Future markets
 - Money markets & spot markets
- Uncertainty
 - Contingent claims markets
 - “Arrow-Debreu”
 - Securities Markets & Spot Markets
 - Arrow
- Reference
 - Arrow Paper in RES
 - Translated from CNRS
 - Translated from mimeo

Future Markets

- Time, $t = 1, 2$
- Commodity $l = 1$ per period
- $x_h^t > 0, \omega_h^t > 0$ for $t = 1, 2$;
 $h = 1, \dots, n$
- p^t price of commodity at time 1
to be delivered at time t
- Present prices
 - $p^1 = 1$
 - $p^2 = \frac{1}{1+r} = \frac{1}{R}$

Futures Markets

$$p^1 x_h^1 + p^2 x_h^2 = p^1 \omega_h^1 + p^2 \omega_h^2$$

$$p^1 (x_h^1 - \omega_h^1) + p^2 (x_h^2 - \omega_h^2) = 0$$

$$z_h^1 + \left(\frac{1}{1+r}\right) z_h^2 = 0$$

$$h = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\sum_{h=1}^n z_h^t = 0 \quad t = 1, 2$$

- Expectations are not up front because all trading is at time 1
 - No re-trading at time t
 - By assumption
- or
- By perfect foresight

Perfect Borrowing and Lending (Money Market)

- Futures market for commodities is closed
- Saving through lending money
- Dis-saving is through borrowing money
- Spot markets meet in $t = 1$ and
 $t = 2$
- Reasons money market is not “perfect”
 - DSGE (RBC)
 - DSGE with borrowing constraints
- Remarks on RCK

Inside Money

- AX traveler checks
- Here extended
- Isomorphic to Arrow article
- Irving Fisher

Inside Money (continued)

- Holdings of inside money

- Purchase of inside money

$$\text{money} = m_h^t \quad t = 1, 2; h = 1, \dots, n$$

- $\sum_{h=1}^n m_h^t = 0 \quad t = 1, 2$

- Outside money is created by the government and the banking system

- Present price of money

$$p^{mt} \geq 0 \quad t = 1, 2$$

Monetary Equilibrium

- Consumer Problem

$$\max V_h(x_h^1, x_h^2)$$

subject to

$$x_h^1 + p^{m1} m_h^1 = \omega_h^1$$

$$p^2 x_h^2 + p^{m2} m_h^2 = p^2 \omega_h^2$$

$$m_h^1 + m_h^2 = 0$$

for $h = 1, 2$

- Special Case

- $V_h(x_h^1, x_h^2) = U(x_h^1) + \beta U(x_h^2)$

- Perfect Foresight about

$$p^2 > 0 \text{ and } p^{m2} > 0$$

- Materials Balance

$$\sum_h x_h^t = \sum_h \omega_h^t, \quad \sum_{h=1}^n m_h^t = 0 \quad \text{for } t = 1, 2$$

- Solve for p^2 , p^{m1} , and p^{m2}

Monetary Equilibrium (continued)

- Rewriting constraints
 - $z_h^1 = -p^{m1} m_h^1$
 - $p^2 z_h^1 = p^{m2} m_h^1$
- $z_h^1 + p^2 z_h^1 = (p^{m2} - p^{m1}) m_h^1$
- Hence, $p^{m2} = p^{m1} = p^m \geq 0$
- Equilibrium allocation $x_h \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^{2n}$
is the same as for Future Market if $p^m > 0$

Uncertainty (isomorphic to intertemporal)

- See Arrow article
- 2 states of nature $s = \alpha, \beta$
- $h = 1, \dots, n$ consumers
- Contingent commodity $x_h(s) > 0$
delivered only in state s
- Contingent endowments $\omega_h(s) > 0$
- Preferences
 $V_h(x_h(\alpha), x_h(\beta))$
 $= \pi(\alpha)U_h(x_h(\alpha)) + \pi(\beta)U_h(x_h(\beta))$

Contingent Claims (continued)

- Consumer Problem

$$\max \pi(\alpha)U_h(x_h(\alpha)) + (1 - \pi(\alpha))U_h(x_h(\beta))$$

Subject to

$$\begin{aligned} p(\alpha)x_h(\alpha) + p(\beta)x_h(\beta) \\ = p(\alpha)x_h(\alpha) + p(\beta)\omega_h(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

Or $p(\alpha)z_h(\alpha) + p(\beta)z(\beta) = 0$

Find $(p(\alpha), p(\beta))$ such that

- CP determines $x_h(\alpha), x_h(\beta)$

and materials balance

- $\sum_h x_h(s) = \sum_h \omega_h(s)$ for $s = \alpha, \beta$

Arrow Securities

- $b_h(s)$ is the quantity bought of security s
- Security s pays 1 unit of account in state s ; otherwise, nothing
- $p_b(s)$ is the price of security s
- $p_b(\alpha)b_h(\alpha) + p_b(\beta)b_h(\beta) = 0$
- Purchase of security is financed by sale of other security (not necessary)

Arrow Securities (continued)

- CP

$$\max \pi(\alpha)U_h(x_h(\alpha)) + (1 - \pi(\alpha))U_h(x_h(\beta)) \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$1) \quad p(\alpha)x_h(\alpha) = p(\alpha)\omega_h(\alpha) + b_h(\alpha)$$

$$2) \quad p(\beta)x_h(\beta) = p(\beta)\omega_h(\beta) + b_h(\beta)$$

$$3) \quad p_b(\alpha)b_h(\alpha) + p_b(\beta)b_h(\beta) = 0$$

- Multiply (1) by $p_b(\alpha)$ and (2) by $p_b(\beta)$

$$1) \quad p_b(\alpha)p(\alpha)z_h(\alpha) = p_b(\alpha)b_h(\alpha)$$

$$2) \quad p_b(\beta)p(\beta)z_h(\beta) = p_b(\beta)b_h(\beta)$$

But by 3) we have

$$\hat{p}(\alpha)z_h(\alpha) + \hat{p}(\beta)z_h(\beta) = 0$$

Where $p_b(s)p(s) = \hat{p}(s)$ for $s = \alpha, \beta$

Arrow Securities (continued)

• CE is $(\hat{p}(\alpha), \hat{p}(\beta)) \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^{2n}$ in which

$(x_h(\alpha), x_h(\beta)) \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^2$ solves

PC for $h = 1, \dots, n$

and

$\sum_h z_h(s) = 0$ for $s = \alpha, \beta$

Conclusion

- Every contingent claims equilibrium allocation is also an Arrow securities equilibrium allocation
- Every AS equilibrium in which $p_b(s) > 0$ for $s = \alpha, \beta$ is also CC equilibrium allocation
- Every FM equilibrium allocation is also an MM equilibrium allocation
- Every MM equilibrium allocation in which $p^m > 0$ is also an FM equilibrium allocation
- But interpretations of MM differ widely from interpretations of FM