

Introducing Money

Cash-in-advance model:

Ignore uncertainty, labor/leisure choice

$$\max \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t U(C_{t+i})$$

$$(a_t) \text{ s.t. } P_t C_t + M_{t+1} + B_{t+1} + P_t K_{t+1} \\ = W_t + \Pi_t + M_t + (1+i_t) B_t + (1+r_t) P_t K_t + \bar{X}_t$$

$$(b_t) \text{ and } P_t C_t \leq M_t + \bar{X}_t$$

◦ P_t - price of goods

◦ M_t - money

◦ B_t - bonds

◦ K_t - capital

◦ Π_t, W_t - profits/wages

◦ r_t - rental rate

◦ i_t - nominal interest rate

◦ \bar{X}_t - nominal transfer from government

Clearly, the $P_t C_t \leq M_t + \bar{X}_t$ constraint will be important in explaining why people hold money.

◦ \bar{X}_t is independent of M_t . \bar{X}_t is determined before M_t needs to be decided.

FOCs:

$$(C_t): U'(C_t) = (\lambda_t + \mu_t) P_t \Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{P_t} U'(C_t)}_{\text{marginal utility from a dollar}} = \lambda_t + \mu_t$$

$$(M_{t+1}): \lambda_t = \beta (\lambda_{t+1} + \mu_{t+1})$$

$$(B_{t+1}): \lambda_t = \beta (1 + i_{t+1}) \lambda_{t+1}$$

$$(K_{t+1}): \lambda_t P_t = \beta (1 + r_{t+1}) \lambda_{t+1} P_{t+1}$$

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(*) \Rightarrow

$$\beta (1 + i_{t+1}) = \beta (1 + r_{t+1}) \underbrace{\frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t}}_{\substack{\equiv \frac{P_t}{P_t} + \frac{P_{t+1} - P_t}{P_t} \\ \equiv 1 + \pi_{t+1}}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + i_{t+1}) = (1 + r_{t+1}) (1 + \pi_{t+1})$$

First two:

$$\lambda_t = \beta \frac{U'(C_{t+1})}{P_{t+1}}, \quad \lambda_{t+1} = \beta \frac{U'(C_{t+2})}{P_{t+2}}$$

\Rightarrow From (B_{t+1}) :

$$\beta \frac{U'(C_{t+1})}{P_{t+1}} = \beta (1 + i_{t+1}) \beta \frac{U'(C_{t+2})}{P_{t+2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{U'(C_{t+1})}{P_{t+1}} = \beta (1 + i_{t+1}) \frac{U'(C_{t+2})}{P_{t+2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{U'(C_{t+1})}{1 + i_{t+1}} = \beta (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{U'(C_{t+2})}{1 + i_{t+2}}$$

since $\frac{P_{t+2}}{P_{t+1}} = \frac{1+i_{t+2}}{1+r_{t+2}}$

effective price of consumption is $1+i$, not 1.

From above, we have (using (M_{t+1}) and (B_{t+1})):

$$M_{t+1} = i_{t+1} \lambda_{t+1}$$

- if $i > 0$, the shadow value of the CIA constraint is positive \Rightarrow CIA will bind

$$\Rightarrow \frac{M_{t+1} + \bar{X}_t}{P_t} = C_t \quad \circ \text{ demand for money}$$

- no interest elasticity in the demand for money

In equilibrium:

- $P_t F_N(K_t, N_t) = W_t$

- $F_K(K_t, N_t) = r_t + \delta$

- $\Pi_t = 0$

- $N_t = 1$

- $M_{t+1} - M_t = \bar{X}_t$

- gov't can increase money in this way.

- $B_{t+1} = B_t = 0$

Plugging these in:

$$P_t C_t + P_t K_{t+1} = \underbrace{W_t}_{P_t F_N(K_t, 1)} + \underbrace{(1+r_t)}_{(1+F_K(K_t, 1)-\delta)} P_t K_t$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{t+1} = F(K_t, 1) + (1-\delta)K_t - C_t$$

Thus,

$$\frac{U'(C_{t+1})}{1+i_{t+1}} = \beta(1+r_{t+2}) \frac{U'(C_{t+2})}{1+i_{t+2}}$$

$$(1+i_t) = (1+r_t)(1+\pi_t)$$

$$(1+r_t) = 1 - \delta + F_K(K_t, 1)$$

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

$$K_{t+1} = F(K_t, 1) + (1-\delta)K_t - C_t$$

Steady state:

Let x - growth of money: $\frac{\Delta_t}{P_t} = \frac{M_{t+1} - M_t}{P_t} = x \frac{M_t}{P_t}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{M_{t+1} - M_t}{M_t} = \hat{\pi}_{t+1}$$

From FOC: $(1+r) = 1 + F_K(K, 1) - \delta = 1/\beta$

from modified golden rule:

\Rightarrow same level of capital

$$C = F(K, 1) - \delta K$$

In terms of real quantities, everything will look the same. (Superneutrality)

Thus, $i \approx \pi + r = x + r$. Fisher effect.
(from: $(1+i_t) = (1+r_t)(1+\pi_t)$)

Dynamics:

- Unexpected permanent increase in money growth leads to proportional increase in price level
 \Rightarrow No real changes.

Nothing we can really do to have consumption respond to growth in money? Not true.

Temporary increase in money growth \Rightarrow increase in interest rates \Rightarrow decrease in consumption.

\Rightarrow Wrong direction!

◦ Don't have neutrality for temporary changes in money growth.

Money in the utility function

$$\max \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \beta^i U(C_{t+i}, \frac{M_{t+i}}{P_{t+i}})$$

$$\text{s.t. } P_t(C_t + M_{t+1} + B_{t+1}) = W_t + \Pi_t + M_t + (1+i_t)B_t + X_t$$

$$\circ U_m > 0, U_{mc} \geq 0.$$

◦ having money makes consumption easier
 \Rightarrow more desirable.

FOCs:

$$(C_t): U_c(C_t, \frac{M_t}{P_t}) = \lambda_t P_t$$

$$(B_{t+1}): \lambda_t = \lambda_{t+1} \beta (1 + i_{t+1})$$

$$(M_{t+1}): \lambda_t = \beta \left[\lambda_{t+1} + \frac{1}{P_{t+1}} U_m \left(C_{t+1}, \frac{M_{t+1}}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right]$$

increases marginal utility in the future

Intertemporal:

$$U_c \left(C_t, \frac{M_t}{P_t} \right) = \beta (1 + r_{t+1}) U_c \left(C_{t+1}, \frac{M_{t+1}}{P_{t+1}} \right)$$

Intra-temporal:

$$\frac{U_m \left(C_t, \frac{M_t}{P_t} \right)}{U_c \left(C_t, \frac{M_t}{P_t} \right)} = i_t$$

opportunity cost of holding money is a function of nominal, not real, interest rates.

Assume:

$$U \left(C, \frac{M}{P} \right) = \ln C + a \ln \frac{M}{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{C_t} = \beta (1 + r_{t+1}) \frac{1}{C_{t+1}}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{M_t}{P_t} = a \left(\frac{C_t}{I_t} \right)$$

very primitive ISLM model.

Effects of money on steady state:

◦ $1 + F_K(K, 1) - \delta = 1/\beta \Rightarrow$ determines r

◦ $C = F(K, D) - \delta K \Rightarrow$ determines C

◦ $\frac{U_m(C, \frac{M}{P})}{U_c(C, \frac{M}{P})} = \underbrace{\bar{i}}_{\text{rate of money growth}} + r \Rightarrow$ determines $\frac{M}{P}$

◦ Money has no effect on real allocation.
What should the government do wrt optimal money growth?

◦ drive $U_m(C, \frac{M}{P})$ to zero

$\Rightarrow \bar{i} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow x = -r$

◦ nominal interest rate zero gives no opportunity cost of money.

◦ in this model, deflation is good.

◦ No liquidity trap. Otherwise, this would be bad.