

# **ECON 204C - Macroeconomic Theory**

## **Equilibrium with Complete Markets**

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# Learning Objective

- Equilibrium with Complete Markets
  - ★ Date 0 trading: Arrow-Debreu securities
  - ★ Sequential trading: Arrow securities
  - ★ Recursive competitive equilibrium

# Stochastic Event

In each period  $t \geq 0$ , there is a realization of a stochastic event  $s_t \in S$ . Let the history of events up and until time  $t$  be denoted by  $s^t = (s_t, s_{t-1}, \dots, s_1, s_0) \in S^t$ .

- Unconditional probability of observing a particular sequence of events  $s^t$  is  $\pi_t(s^t)$ .
- Probability of observing  $s^\tau$  conditional on the realization of  $s^t$   $\pi_\tau(s^\tau | s^t)$ .

There are  $I$  agents named  $i \in \mathcal{I} = \{1, \dots, I\}$ .

- Agent  $i$  owns a stochastic endowment  $y_t^i(s^t)$  that depends on  $s^t$ .
- The history  $s^t$  is **publicly observable**.

# Preferences

Household  $i$  purchases a **history-dependent consumption plan**  $c^i = \{c_t^i(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ .

$$U(c^i) = \mathbb{E}_0 \left[ \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t u(c_t^i) \right] = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) \quad \text{where} \quad \beta \in (0, 1)$$

- $u$  is an increasing, twice continuously differentiable, and strictly concave function.
- The utility function satisfies the Inada condition.

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow 0} u'(c) = \infty$$

- We are imposing identical preference across all individuals  $i$  that can be represented in terms of discounted expected utility with common discount factor  $\beta$ , common Bernoulli utility function  $u$ , and common probability distributions  $\pi_t(s^t)$ .

## Date 0 Trading - Arrow-Debreu Structure

- Households trade dated history-contingent claims to consumption.
- There is a complete set of Arrow-Debreu securities.
- Trades occur at time 0, after  $s_0$  has been realized.
  - ★ we assume that  $\pi_0(s_0) = 1$  for the initially given value of  $s_0$ .

## Date 0 Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

Household  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  purchases a **history-dependent consumption plan**  $c^i = \{c_t^i(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ .

$$\max_{\{c_t^i(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) \quad s.t. \quad \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^i(s^t) \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t)$$

- $q_t^0(s^t)$  denotes the price of time  $t$  consumption contingent on history  $s^t$  at time  $t$  **in terms of an abstract unit of account or numeraire**.
  - ★ If we assume  $q_0^0(s_0) = 1$ , then  $c_0(s_0)$  is numeraire.
  - ★  $\frac{q_{\tau}^0(s^{\tau})}{q_t^0(s^t)}$  denotes the price of time  $\tau$  consumption contingent on history  $s^{\tau}$  at time  $\tau$  **in terms of time  $t$  consumption contingent on history  $s^t$  at time  $t$** .
- All trades occur at time 0. After time 0, trades that were agreed to at time 0 are executed, but no more trades occur.

## Date 0 Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

$$\mathcal{L}_{AD}^i = \max_{\{c_t^i(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}, \mu^i} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) + \mu^i \left( \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) - \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^i(s^t) \right)$$

$$\beta^t u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) = \mu^{i*} q_t^0(s^t) \quad (\text{FOC w.r.t. } c_t^i(s^t))$$

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^{i*}(s^t) \quad (\text{FOC w.r.t. } \mu^i)$$

$$\frac{\beta^{\tau} u'(c_{\tau}^{i*}(s^{\tau})) \pi_{\tau}(s^{\tau})}{\beta^t u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t)} = \frac{q_{\tau}^0(s^{\tau})}{q_t^0(s^t)} \quad (\text{within } i \text{ across histories})$$

$$\frac{u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t))}{u'(c_t^{j*}(s^t))} = \frac{\mu^{i*}}{\mu^{j*}} \quad (\text{given } s^t \text{ across individuals})$$

## Date 0 Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

Given two histories  $s^t$  and  $s^\tau$ , MRS of  $c_t(s^t)$  for  $c_\tau(s^\tau)$  is the same across individuals.

$$\frac{\beta^\tau u'(c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau)) \pi_\tau(s^\tau)}{\beta^t u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t)} = \frac{\beta^\tau u'(c_\tau^{j*}(s^\tau)) \pi_\tau(s^\tau)}{\beta^t u'(c_t^{j*}(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t)}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{MRS_{s^t, s^\tau}^i(c^{i*})} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{MRS_{s^t, s^\tau}^j(c^{j*})}$

Given two individuals  $i$  and  $j$ , the ratio of  $MU_{s^t}^i$  to  $MU_{s^t}^j$  is the same across histories.

$$\frac{u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t))}{u'(c_t^{j*}(s^t))} = \frac{u'(c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau))}{u'(c_\tau^{j*}(s^\tau))}$$



## Date 0 Trading - Competitive Equilibrium

**Definition** A competitive equilibrium is a price system  $\{q_t^0(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$  and allocation  $\{c^{i*}\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$  such that

1. Given a price system, each individual  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  solves the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \{c_t^{i*}(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty} &= \arg \max_{\{c_t^i(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^i(s^t) \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) \end{aligned}$$

2. On every history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ , market clears

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} c_t^{i*}(s^t) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} y_t^i(s^t)$$

## Date 0 Trading - Competitive Equilibrium

- Unknowns

$$\{q_t^0(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty} \quad \left\{ \{c_t^{i^*}(s^t)\}_{t=0}^{\infty} \right\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \quad \{\mu^{i^*}\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$$

- System of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} c_t^{i^*}(s^t) &= \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} y_t^i(s^t) \\ \beta^t u'(c_t^{i^*}(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) &= \mu^{i^*} q_t^0(s^t) \\ \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^i(s^t) &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) \\ q_0^0(s_0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Sequential Trading

- New one-period markets are re-opened for trading each period.
- In time  $t$ , history-dependent wealth is properly assigned to each agent.
- At each date  $t \geq 0$ , but only at the history  $s^t$  actually realized, trades occur in a set of claims to **one-period-ahead state-contingent consumption**.
- We build on an insight of Arrow (1964) that **one-period securities are enough to implement complete markets**.

## Sequential Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

On every history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ , household  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  purchases a **consumption plan**  $c_t^i(s^t)$  and **one-period-ahead state-contingent claims**  $\{a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)\}_{s_{t+1} \in S}$  subject to

$$c_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1} | s^t) \leq y_t^i(s^t) + a_t^i(s^t) \quad (\text{Budget constraint})$$

$$a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \geq -A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S \quad (\text{Borrowing limit})$$

- $a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)$  denotes the claims to time  $t + 1$  consumption, other than its time  $t + 1$  endowment  $y_{t+1}^i(s^{t+1})$ , that household  $i$  brings into time  $t + 1$  in history  $s^{t+1}$ .
- $Q_t(s_{t+1} | s^t)$  is the price of one unit of time  $t + 1$  consumption, contingent on the realization  $s_{t+1}$  at time  $t + 1$ .

## Sequential Trading - Natural Borrowing Limit (NBL)

Let  $q_\tau^t(s^\tau) = \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)}$  be the Arrow-Debreu price, denominated in units of the date  $t$ , history  $s^t$  consumption good.

$$A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) = \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | (s_{t+1}, s^t)} q_\tau^t(s^\tau) y_\tau^i(s^\tau)$$

- It is **the maximal value that agent  $i$  can repay starting from  $t + 1$** , assuming that his consumption is zero always.
- We shall require that household  $i$  at time  $t$  and history  $s^t$  cannot promise to pay more than  $A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)$  conditional on the realization of  $s_{t+1}$  tomorrow, because it will not be feasible to repay more.
- Household  $i$  at time  $t$  faces one such borrowing constraint for each possible realization of  $s_{t+1} \in S$  tomorrow.

# Sequential Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

$$\mathcal{L}_{Seq}^i = \max_{\{c_t^i(s^t), \{a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)\}_{s_{t+1} \in S}, \eta^i(s^t), \{\nu(s_{t+1}, s^t)\}_{s_{t+1} \in S}\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \left\{ \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) \right. \\ \left. + \eta^i(s^t) (y_t^i(s^t) + a_t^i(s^t) - c_t^i(s^t)) - \sum_{s_{t+1}} a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_{t+1}(s_{t+1}|s^t) \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{s_{t+1}} \nu_t^i(s^t; s_{t+1}) (a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) + A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)) \right\}$$

$$\beta^t u'(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t) = \eta_t^i(s^t) \quad (\text{FOC w.r.t. } c_t^i(s^t))$$

$$-\eta_t^i(s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) + \underbrace{\nu_t^i(s^t; s_{t+1})}_{\rightarrow 0} + \eta_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) = 0 \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S \quad (\text{FOC w.r.t. } a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t))$$

$\because \lim_{c \rightarrow 0} u'(c) = \infty$

$$c_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{s_{t+1}} a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) = y_t^i(s^t) + a_t^i(s^t) \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S \quad (\text{FOC w.r.t. } \eta^i(s^t))$$

## Sequential Trading - Household $i$ 's UMP

On every history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ , the following holds for all  $s_{t+1} \in S$ .

$$Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) = \frac{\beta^{t+1} u'(\tilde{c}_{t+1}^i(s^{t+1})) \pi_{t+1}(s^{t+1})}{\beta^t u'(\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t)}$$

$$Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) = \beta \frac{u'(\tilde{c}_{t+1}^i(s^{t+1}))}{u'(\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t))} \pi_t(s^{t+1}|s^t)$$

# Sequential Trading - Competitive Equilibrium

**Definition** A competitive equilibrium is a price system  $\{ \{ Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) \}_{s_{t+1} \in S} \}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ , an allocation  $\{ \{ \tilde{c}_t^i(s^t), \{ \tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \}_{s_{t+1} \in S} \}_{t=0}^{\infty} \}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ , an initial distribution of wealth  $\{ a_0^i(s_0) = 0 \}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ , and a collection of natural borrowing limits  $\{ \{ \{ A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \}_{s_{t+1} \in S} \}_{t=0}^{\infty} \}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$  such that

1. Given a price system, an initial distribution of wealth, and a collection of natural borrowing limits, each individual  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  solves the following problem:

$$\{ \tilde{c}_t^i(s^t), \{ \tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \}_{s_{t+1} \in S} \}_{t=0}^{\infty} = \arg \max_{\{ c_t^i(s^t), \{ a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \}_{s_{t+1} \in S} \}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} \beta^t u(c_t^i(s^t)) \pi_t(s^t)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad c_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) \leq y_t^i(s^t) + a_t^i(s^t)$$

$$a_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \geq -A_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S$$

2. On every history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ , markets clear.

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \tilde{c}_t^i(s^t) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} y_t^i(s^t) \quad (\text{Commodity market clearing})$$

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) = 0 \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S \quad (\text{Asset market clearing})$$



## Equivalence of Allocations

$$Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) = \frac{q_{t+1}^0(s^{t+1})}{q_t^0(s^t)} \Rightarrow \beta \frac{u'(\tilde{c}_{t+1}^i(s^{t+1}))}{u'(\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t))} \pi_t(s^{t+1}|s^t) = \beta \frac{u'(c_{t+1}^{i*}(s^{t+1}))}{u'(c_t^{i*}(s^t))} \pi_t(s^{t+1}|s^t)$$

## Guess for Portfolio

On every history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ ,

$$\tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) = \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | (s_{t+1}, s^t)} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_{t+1}^0(s^{t+1})} \left( c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau) \right) \quad \forall s_{t+1} \in S$$

Value of this portfolio expressed in terms of the date  $t$ , history  $s^t$  consumption good is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} \tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1} | s^t) &= \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | (s_{t+1}, s^t)} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_{t+1}^0(s^{t+1})} \left( c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau) \right) Q_t(s_{t+1} | s^t) \\ &= \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | (s_{t+1}, s^t)} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_{t+1}^0(s^{t+1})} \left( c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau) \right) \frac{q_{t+1}^0(s^{t+1})}{q_t^0(s^t)} \\ &= \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | s^t} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)} \left( c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau) \right) \end{aligned}$$

## Verify Portfolio

On history  $s^0 = s_0$  at time  $t = 0$ , assume that  $a_0^i(s_0) = 0$ . Then

$$\tilde{c}_0^i(s_0) + \sum_{s_1 \in S} \tilde{a}_1^i(s_1, s_0) Q_1(s_1 | s_0) = y_0^i(s_0) + 0$$

$$\tilde{c}_0^i(s_0) + \sum_{\tau=1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | s_0} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_0^0(s_0)} (c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_t^i(s^\tau)) = y_0^i(s_0) + 0$$

$$q_0^0(s_0) c_0^{i*}(s_0) + \sum_{\tau=1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau | s_0} q_\tau^0(s^\tau) (c_\tau^{i*}(s^\tau) - y_t^i(s^\tau)) = q_0^0(s_0) y_0^i(s_0) \quad (\text{if } \tilde{c}_0^i(s_0) = c_0^{i*}(s_0))$$

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^t} q_t^0(s^t) c_t^{i*}(s^t)$$

Therefore, given  $\tilde{c}_0^i(s_0) = c_0^{i*}(s_0)$ , portfolio  $\{\tilde{a}_1^i(s_1, s_0)\}_{s_1 \in S}$  is affordable.

## Verify Portfolio

On history  $s^t$  at time  $t$ , assume that  $\tilde{a}_t^i(s^t) = \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)} (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau))$ . Then

$$\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{s_{t+1} \in S} \tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t) Q_t(s_{t+1}|s^t) = y_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)} (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau))$$

$$\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)} (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau)) = y_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} \frac{q_\tau^0(s^\tau)}{q_t^0(s^t)} (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau))$$

$$q_t^0(s^t) c_t^{i^*}(s^t) + \sum_{\tau=t+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} q_\tau^0(s^\tau) (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau)) = q_t^0(s^t) y_t^i(s^t) + \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} q_\tau^0(s^\tau) (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau))$$

( if  $\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t) = c_t^{i^*}(s^t)$  )

$$\sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} q_\tau^0(s^\tau) (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau)) = \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\tau|s^t} q_\tau^0(s^\tau) (c_\tau^{i^*}(s^\tau) - y_\tau^i(s^\tau))$$

Therefore, given  $\tilde{c}_t^i(s^t) = c_t^{i^*}(s^t)$ , portfolio  $\{\tilde{a}_{t+1}^i(s_{t+1}, s^t)\}_{s_{t+1} \in S}$  is affordable.

## Equivalence of Allocations

- We have shown that the proposed portfolio strategy attains the same consumption plan as in the competitive equilibrium of the Arrow-Debreu economy.
- What precludes household  $i$  from further increasing current consumption by reducing some component of the asset portfolio?
  - ★ Natural borrowing limits
- These are all nice, but terribly abstract and complicated. So we impose a Markov structure, which admits a beautiful recursive structure.

## Household's Recursive Problem

$$V(a, s) = \max_{c, \{a'(s')\}_{s' \in S}} \left\{ u(c) + \beta \underbrace{\sum_{s' \in S} V(a'(s'), s') \pi(s'|s)}_{\mathbb{E}_s[V(a'(s'), s')]} \right\}$$

*s.t.*     $c + \sum_{s' \in S} Q(s'|s)a'(s') \leq y(s) + a$

$a'(s') \geq -A(s') \quad \text{where} \quad A(s') = y(s') + \sum_{s'' \in S} Q(s''|s')A(s'')$

$h(a, s)$  and  $\{g(a, s, s')\}_{s' \in S}$  are associated policy function for consumption and Arrow securities.

# Recursive Competitive Equilibrium (RCE)

**Definition** A recursive competitive equilibrium is a price kernel  $\{Q(s'|s)\}_{s',s \in S}$ , sets of value functions  $\{V^i(a, s)\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ , sets of policy functions  $\{h^i(a, s), \{g^i(a, s, s')\}_{s' \in S}\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ , an initial distribution of wealth  $\{a^i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$  where  $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} a^i = 0$ , and a collection of natural borrowing limits  $\{\{A^i(s')\}_{s' \in S}\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$  such that

1. The state-by-state borrowing constraints satisfy the recursion.

$$A(s') = y(s') + \sum_{s'' \in S} Q(s''|s')A(s'')$$

2. Given a price kernel, an initial distribution of wealth, and a collection of natural borrowing limits, each individual  $i \in \mathcal{I}$ 's value function and policy function solves the household's recursive problem.
3. On every state  $s$ , given  $a$ , markets clear.

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} c^i = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} y^i(s) \quad \text{where} \quad c^i = h(a, s) \quad (\text{Commodity market clearing})$$

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} a'^i(s') = 0 \quad \forall s' \in S \quad \text{where} \quad a'^i(s') = g(a, s, s') \quad (\text{Asset market clearing})$$

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