



Figure 12.1: Phase diagram for the Arrow model.

Steady state

In a steady state \tilde{c} and \tilde{k} are constant so that the growth rate of C as well as K equals $\dot{A}/A + n$, i.e.,

$$\frac{\dot{C}}{C} = \frac{\dot{K}}{K} = \frac{\dot{A}}{A} + n = \lambda \frac{\dot{K}}{K} + n.$$

Solving gives

$$\frac{\dot{C}}{C} = \frac{\dot{K}}{K} = \frac{n}{1 - \lambda}.$$

Thence, in a steady state

$$g_c = \frac{\dot{C}}{C} - n = \frac{n}{1 - \lambda} - n = \frac{\lambda n}{1 - \lambda} \equiv g_c^*, \quad \text{and} \quad (12.15)$$

$$\frac{\dot{A}}{A} = \lambda \frac{\dot{K}}{K} = \frac{\lambda n}{1 - \lambda} = g_c^*. \quad (12.16)$$

The steady-state values of r and \tilde{k} , respectively, will therefore satisfy, by (12.11),

$$r^* = f'(\tilde{k}^*) - \delta = \rho + \theta g_c^* = \rho + \theta \frac{\lambda n}{1 - \lambda}. \quad (12.17)$$

To ensure existence of a steady state we assume that the private marginal product of capital is sufficiently sensitive to capital per unit of effective labor,