# Financial Risk Capacity

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- Explain why banks aren't quickly recapitalized during crisis
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- Lab to analyze
  - 1. Shocks that affect financial sector's equity
  - 2. Analyze government policies

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### Assumption

 $\{f_{\phi}\}$  satisfies  $E_{\phi}[\lambda(\tilde{\omega})|\tilde{\omega} < \omega]$  decreasing in  $\phi, \forall \omega$ .

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 sales of quality  $\omega$ 

•  $\omega$  private information.

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Intermediaries own banks

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- Can inject equity e to increase n
- Can pay dividends d reducing n

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• State: 
$$X = (A, \phi, \kappa)$$

# Stage 1: Capital Sales





### Stage 2: Realization of Shock and Resale



# Stage 2: Consumption Goods Settlements


Stage 1 balance sheet:

Assets	Liability
n	
	Net-worth
	n

Initial Balance Sheet

Assets	Liability
n+e-d	рQ
рQ	<u>Net-worth</u>
	n + e - d
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Balance Sheet S1

Q amount of capital units purchased

► Stage 1 balance sheet:

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Stage 2 balance sheet:

Assets Liability			
n'	рQ		
$q(\phi)\lambda(\phi)Q$	Net-worth		
	$n' + \left[ q(\phi) \lambda \left( \phi  ight) - p  ight] Q$		
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### Problem (Stage 1)

$$V_{1}^{f}(n,X) = \max_{Q,e \in [0,\bar{e}], d \in [0,n]} c + \mathbb{E}\left[V_{2}^{f}(n' + \Pi(X,X')Q,X')|X\right]$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} s.t. & - \Pi \left( X, X' \right) Q & \leq & n + e - d, \; \forall X' \\ c & = & \left( \bar{e} - e \right) + \left( 1 - \tau \right) d \\ n' & = & n + e - d \end{array}$$

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• Stage 2:  $V_2^f(n, X) = \beta^F \mathbb{E}\left[V_1^f(\mathbb{R}^b n, X')|X\right]$ 

### Problem (c-producer's stage 1)

$$V_{p}^{1}(k,X) = \mathbb{E}\left[V_{p}^{2}\left(k'\left(\phi'\right),x,X'\right)|X\right]$$
  
s.t. x = Ak and k' (\phi') = k  $\int \lambda\left(\omega\right) f_{\phi'}\left(\omega\right) d\omega$ 

#### Problem (c-producer stage 2)

$$V_{p}^{2}(k, x, X) = \max_{c \ge 0, i \le 0, k^{b} \ge 0} \log(c) + \beta \mathbb{E} \left[ V_{j}^{1}(k', X') | X \right], j \in \{i, p\}$$
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### k-producer Problems

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### Definition (RCE)

A RCE are policy functions,  $e,d,Q,\omega,k^b,i$  and prices (q,p), and a l.o.m. for X s.t.:

- 1. Given p,q, and l.o.m., e,d and Q are solutions to intermediaries problem.
- 2. Given p and l.o.m.,  $\omega$  solves the i-problem in s1.
- 3. Given  $\phi$  and l.o.m., policies solves producer problems in s2.
- 4. Markets clear in both stages.
- 5. L.o.m. is internally consistent.

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Defines p(ω\*) increasing supply schedule

► S2 price of capital q :

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$$Q = \arg \max_{\tilde{Q}} \mathbb{E} \left[ v_{2}^{f} \left( X' \right) \Pi \left( X, X' \right) | X \right] \tilde{Q}$$
  
subject to 
$$\underbrace{\min_{X'} - \Pi \left( X, X' \right)}_{Marginal \ Leverage} \tilde{Q} \leq n'.$$

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► Fixed point problem:

• 
$$\kappa \Rightarrow \omega^*$$
  
•  $\omega^* \Rightarrow e, d \Rightarrow n' \Rightarrow \kappa'$ 

# without Adverse Selection...



## Example I - Risky intermediation without Adverse Selection



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## Financial Variables (before equity adjustments)



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- 1. Intermediation,  $\omega$  increasing in  $\kappa.$
- 2. Profitability,  $\Pi$  decreasing in  $\kappa$ .
- 3. In equilibrium:
  - $\kappa' \in [\underline{\kappa}, \overline{\kappa}].$ •  $\omega \in [\underline{\omega}, \overline{\omega}]$ .

# Adverse Selection...

# Model with Asymmetric Information



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### **Real Side Variables**



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- 4.  $\kappa$  grows only through retained earnings

# In a richer version of the model...



## Invariant Distribution



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## Dynamic Setup - Response to Dispersion Shock



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  - ► Capital requirements, dividend policies, government equity, CoCo.

## Financial Risk Capacity

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