

# EC400: DPDE

Class #2

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The evolution of  $x_t$  is described by a linear system

$$x_{t+1} = Ax_t, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -0.5 \\ -1 & 1.5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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1. Find the steady state of the system. Is it a source, a sink, or a saddle point?

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### ● Steady state:

$$A\bar{x} = \bar{x}$$

$$\iff (A - I)\bar{x} = 0$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -0.5 \\ -1 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}_1 \\ \bar{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- The only solution is  $\bar{x} = 0$ .

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- **eigenvalues:** An eigenvalue  $\lambda$  solves

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\iff \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -0.5 \\ -1 & 1.5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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- Solving,  $\lambda_1 = 2$  and  $\lambda_2 = 0.5$ .
- $|\lambda_1| > 1$  and  $|\lambda_2| < 1 \implies$  SS is a **saddle point**.

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2. Draw the iso-lines and show with arrows the directions of the trajectories.

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- From the first equation:

$$x_{1,t+1} = x_{1,t} - 0.5x_{2,t} \iff \boxed{\Delta x_{1,t+1} = -0.5x_{2,t}}.$$

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- Moreover,  $\boxed{\Delta x_{1,t+1} \geq 0 \iff x_{2,t} \leq 0}$  and

$$\boxed{\Delta x_{2,t+1} \geq 0 \iff x_{2,t} \geq 2x_{1,t}}$$

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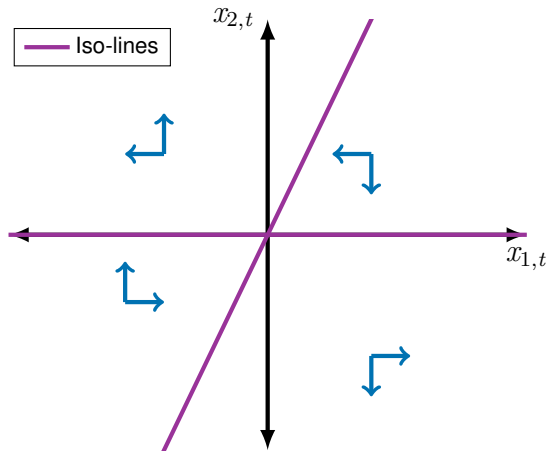
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3. Decompose matrix  $A$  and show the eigenvectors on the phase diagram.

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- If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue, its eigenvector  $v$  solves  $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$ .  
Thus

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- If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue, its eigenvector  $v$  solves  $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$ .

Thus

- For  $\lambda_1 = 2$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -0.5 \\ -1 & -0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\iff v_2 = -2v_1,$$

So  $v^1 = (1 \quad -2)'$ .

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- For  $\lambda_1 = 0.5$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Longleftrightarrow v_2 = v_1,$$

So  $v^2 = (1 \ 1)'$ .

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- The matrix of eigenvectors is then

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

with inverse

$$Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Finally, the decomposition of matrix  $A$  is

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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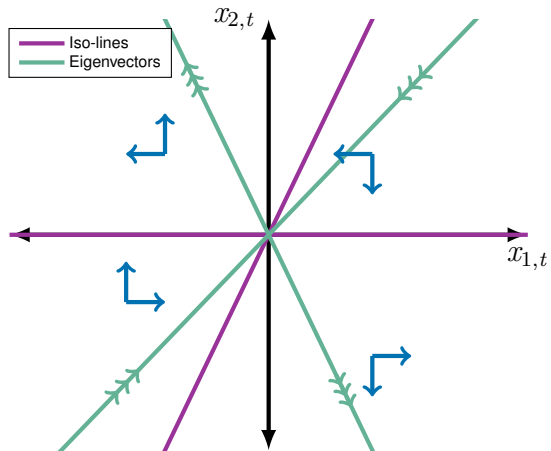
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4. Consider  $x_0 = (1 \ 0)'$ , compute  $y_0$  of the corresponding decoupled system, and show dynamics for periods  $t = 1$  and  $t = 2$  on the phase diagram.



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• Let  $y_t = Q^{-1}x_t \implies y_{t+1} = \Lambda y_t$ . Then,

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$$\bullet y_1 = \Lambda y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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$$\bullet x_1 = Qy_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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$$\bullet \quad y_2 = \Lambda y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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$$\bullet \quad y_2 = \Lambda y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\bullet \quad x_2 = Q y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ -\frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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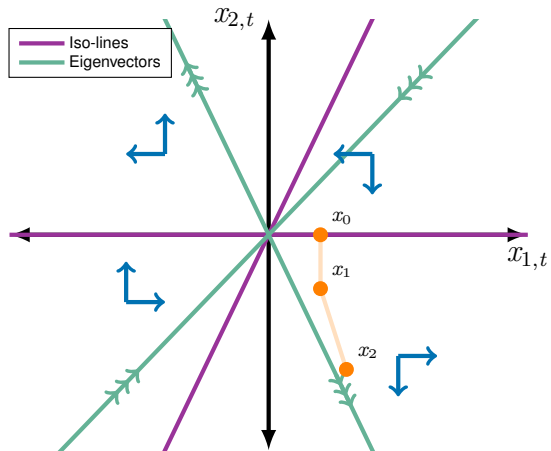
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Consider the investment problem from Problem Set 1: given initial value of capital  $K_0$ , a firm chooses investment path  $\{I_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$  to maximize profits

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left[ AK_t^{\alpha} - I_t - \frac{\phi}{2} \frac{I_t^2}{K_t} \right]$$

subject to the capital law of motion

$$K_{t+1} = (1 - \delta)K_t + I_t.$$

Assume that  $\delta = 0$  and define  $Q_t \equiv \beta^{-t} \lambda_t$ , where  $\lambda_t$  is the Lagrange multiplier from the optimization problem.

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1. Write down the (non-linear) system of equations for  $K_t$  and  $Q_t$ .

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- From PS1 and using  $\delta = 0$  :

$[I_t]$

$$-\beta^t \left( 1 + \phi \frac{I_t}{K_t} \right) + \lambda_t = 0$$

$$\iff 1 + \phi \frac{I_t}{K_t} = Q_t$$

$[K_{t+1}]$

$$-\lambda_t + \beta^{t+1} \left( \alpha A K_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + \frac{\phi}{2} \frac{I_{t+1}^2}{K_{t+1}^2} \right) + \lambda_{t+1} = 0$$

$$\iff \beta \left[ \alpha A K_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + \frac{\phi}{2} \frac{I_{t+1}^2}{K_{t+1}^2} + Q_{t+1} \right] = Q_t$$

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- From the capital law of motion:  $I_t = K_{t+1} - K_t$ . Substituting into the FOC:

$$[I_t] \quad 1 + \phi \frac{K_{t+1}}{K_t} - \phi = Q_t$$

$$[K_{t+1}] \quad \beta \left[ \alpha A K_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} + \frac{\phi (K_{t+2} - K_{t+1})^2}{K_{t+1}^2} + Q_{t+1} \right] = Q_t$$

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2. Determine the state variables and the control variables in this system.

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- $K_t$  is a state variable.

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- $K_t$  is a state variable.
- $Q_t$  is a control variable.

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3. Solve for the steady state.



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- In a SS  $K_t = \bar{K} \forall t$  and  $Q_t = \bar{Q} \forall t$ .

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- In a SS  $K_t = \bar{K} \forall t$  and  $Q_t = \bar{Q} \forall t$ .

- Imposing SS in  $[I_t]$ :  $\bar{Q} = 1 + \phi \frac{\bar{K}}{K} - \phi \iff \boxed{\bar{Q} = 1}$ .

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• Imposing SS in  $[K_{t+1}]$  and using  $\bar{Q} = 1$ :

$$1 = \beta \left[ \alpha A \bar{K}^{\alpha-1} + \frac{\phi}{2} \frac{(\bar{K} - \bar{K})^2}{\bar{K}^2} + 1 \right] \iff \boxed{\bar{K} = \left( \frac{\beta \alpha A}{1-\beta} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}}.$$

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4. Log-linearize the equations for  $K_t$  and  $Q_t$  around the steady state. Denote the log deviations with small letters  $k_t$  and  $q_t$ .

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- Let  $q_t \equiv \ln \left( \frac{Q_t}{\bar{Q}} \right)$  and note that

$$Q_t = \bar{Q} \frac{Q_t}{\bar{Q}} = \bar{Q} e^{\ln \left( \frac{Q_t}{\bar{Q}} \right)} = \bar{Q} e^{q_t} \approx \bar{Q} (1 + q_t) = (1 + q_t).$$

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- Similarly, let  $k_t \equiv \ln \left( \frac{K_t}{K} \right)$  and note that

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- $\frac{K_{t+1}}{K_t} = \frac{\bar{K} e^{k_{t+1}}}{\bar{K} e^{k_t}} = e^{k_{t+1} - k_t} \approx 1 + k_{t+1} - k_t.$



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$$\bullet \left( \frac{K_{t+2} - K_{t+1}}{K_{t+1}} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\bar{K} e^{k_{t+2}}}{\bar{K} e^{k_{t+1}}} - 1 \right)^2 = (e^{k_{t+2} - k_{t+1}} - 1)^2 \\ \approx (1 + k_{t+2} - k_{t+1} - 1)^2 = (k_{t+2} - k_{t+1})^2.$$

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$$\bullet \alpha A K_{t+1}^{\alpha-1} = \alpha A (\bar{K} e^{k_{t+1}})^{\alpha-1} = \alpha A \bar{K}^{\alpha-1} e^{(\alpha-1)k_{t+1}} \\ \approx \alpha A \frac{1-\beta}{\beta \alpha A} \left( 1 + (\alpha-1)k_{t+1} \right) = \frac{1-\beta}{\beta} - \kappa k_{t+1}, \text{ where } \kappa \equiv \frac{(1-\alpha)(1-\beta)}{\beta}.$$

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- Plugging these approximations into the non-linear system:

$$[I_t] \quad 1 + q_t = 1 + \phi(1 + k_{t+1} - k_t) - \phi$$

$$\iff k_{t+1} = k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t$$

$$[K_{t+1}] \quad 1 + q_t = \beta \left[ \frac{1 - \beta}{\beta} - \kappa k_{t+1} + \frac{\phi}{2} (k_{t+2} - k_{t+1})^2 + 1 + q_{t+1} \right]$$

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- Simplifying  $[K_{t+1}]$  by discarding the second-order term  $\frac{\phi}{2} (k_{t+2} - k_{t+1})^2$  and plugging in the expression for  $k_{t+1}$  from  $[I_t]$ , we arrive at the system

$$[I_t] \quad k_{t+1} = k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t$$

$$[K_{t+1}] \quad 1 + q_t = \beta \left[ \frac{1 - \beta}{\beta} - \kappa \left( k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t \right) + 1 + q_{t+1} \right]$$

$$\Longleftrightarrow q_{t+1} = \kappa k_t + \left[ \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} \right] q_t$$

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- Thus, the (log-linearized) dynamic system can be written as

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} k_{t+1} \\ q_{t+1} \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv x_{t+1}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{\phi} \\ \kappa & \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv A} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} k_t \\ q_t \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv x_t}.$$

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5. Is the Blanchard-Kahn condition for a unique solution satisfied?

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- **Blanchard-Kahn condition:** Let  $m$  be the # of control variables and  $n$  the number of eigenvalues outside the unit circle. Then,

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- **Blanchard-Kahn condition:** Let  $m$  be the # of control variables and  $n$  the number of eigenvalues outside the unit circle. Then,

- $m = n \implies$  unique solution;



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- **Blanchard-Kahn condition:** Let  $m$  be the # of control variables and  $n$  the number of eigenvalues outside the unit circle. Then,
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  - $m > n \implies$  multiple solutions; and
  - $m < n \implies$  no solution.
- Here, we have  $m = 1$ . Will need to look at the eigenvalues to find  $n$ .

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- **eigenvalues:** Let  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  represent the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$  (defined in previous question). An eigenvalue  $\gamma$  solves

$$|A - \gamma I| = 0$$

$$\iff \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \gamma & \frac{1}{\phi} \\ \kappa & \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} - \gamma \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\iff \gamma^2 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi}\right) \gamma + \frac{1}{\beta} = 0$$

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- Let  $f(\gamma) = \gamma^2 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi}\right) \gamma + \frac{1}{\beta}$  and note that

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- Let  $f(\gamma) = \gamma^2 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi}\right) \gamma + \frac{1}{\beta}$  and note that
  - $f(0) = \frac{1}{\beta} > 0$ .

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•  $f(\gamma)$  is a parabola with a min at  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{2\phi} > 1$ , so  $(0, f(0))$  and  $(1, f(1))$  lie on its decreasing side. Thus,  $\gamma_1 > 1$  and  $\gamma_2 \in (0, 1)$ , i.e.,  $n = 1$ .



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- For reference,

$$\gamma_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} \pm \sqrt{\left( 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} \right)^2 - \frac{4}{\beta}} \right).$$

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6. Solve for the saddle path using the Blanchard-Kahn method.

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- If  $\gamma$  is an eigenvalue, its eigenvector  $v$  solves

$$(A - \gamma I) v = 0$$

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- Let  $v_1 = 1$ . Then, from the 1<sup>st</sup> equation,  $v_2 = \phi(\gamma - 1)$ . Thus, the eigenvectors are of the form

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \phi(\gamma - 1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- The matrix of eigenvectors is then

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \phi(\gamma_1 - 1) & \phi(\gamma_2 - 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

with inverse

$$Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{\phi(\gamma_2 - \gamma_1)} \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\gamma_2 - 1) & -1 \\ -\phi(\gamma_1 - 1) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Let  $y_t = Q^{-1}x_t \iff x_t = Q y_t$ . The decoupled system is then

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_{1,t+1} \\ y_{2,t+1} \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv y_{t+1}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv \Lambda} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_{1,t} \\ y_{2,t} \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv y_t}.$$

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- Iterating forward the 1<sup>st</sup> equation (corresponding to  $\gamma_1 > 1$ ):

$$y_{1,t} = \gamma_1^{-1} y_{1,t+1}$$

$$= \gamma_1^{-2} y_{1,t+2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_1^{-j} y_{1,t+j}$$

$$= 0,$$

where we assume that the TVC requires convergence to the SS,  
so  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} y_{1,t+j} = 0$ .



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- Finally, going back to the original coordinates (i.e.,  $x_t = Qy_t$ ):

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_t \\ q_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \phi(\gamma_1 - 1) & \phi(\gamma_2 - 1) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y_{2,t} \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Plugging the 1<sup>st</sup> equation ( $k_t = y_{2,t}$ ) into the second one ( $q_t = \phi(\gamma_2 - 1) y_{2,t}$ ), we obtain

$$q_t = -\phi(1 - \gamma_2) k_t.$$

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7. Solve for the optimal dynamics of  $k_t$ .

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- Substituting the optimal  $q_t$  into the 1<sup>st</sup> eqn. of the original system:

$$k_{t+1} = k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t = k_t - (1 - \gamma_2) k_t \iff \boxed{k_{t+1} = \gamma_2 k_t}.$$

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- $\gamma_2 \in (0, 1) \implies k_t \rightarrow 0$  monotonically, i.e.,  $K_t$  monotonically converges to its steady state level.

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8. Draw a phase diagram.

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$$\bullet \quad k_{t+1} = k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t \iff \Delta k_{t+1} = \frac{1}{\phi} q_t .$$



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- Starting from the log-linearized system:

- $k_{t+1} = k_t + \frac{1}{\phi} q_t \iff \Delta k_{t+1} = \frac{1}{\phi} q_t .$

- $q_{t+1} = \kappa k_t + \left( \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} \right) q_t \iff \Delta q_{t+1} = \kappa k_t + \left( \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{\kappa}{\phi} - 1 \right) q_t .$

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- Thus, the iso-lines are  $q_t = 0$  and  $q_t = \frac{\kappa}{1 - \frac{1}{\beta} - \frac{\kappa}{\phi}} k_t .$

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