

Solving the Household's Problem

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Household's problem (concave maximization problem):

$$\max_C \frac{X}{1+X} C^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} + \frac{1}{1+X} \left[\frac{w}{P} + f \cdot k - (1+r) C \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}}$$

Necessary & sufficient condition for the optimal c (c maximizing utility): derivative = 0

here: $\frac{x}{1+x} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon} \cdot c^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$

$$- \left[1 + \tau(x) \right] \frac{1}{1+x} \frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon} \left[\dots \right]^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = 0$$

$$\frac{u}{p} + \beta k - (1+\tau)c = \frac{m}{p}$$

$$x c^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = \left[1 + \tau(x) \right] \left[\frac{m}{p} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$$

\propto MCE of services price of services relative to real money balances \propto MU of real money balances / real wealth

$$c^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = \frac{1 + \tau(x)}{x} \left(\frac{m}{p} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$$

$$c = \left[\frac{x}{1 + \tau(x)} \right]^{\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{m}{p}$$

- c : consumption of service
- # services purchased by household: y

$$y = [1 + \tau(x)] \cdot c$$

- # visits by household: v

$$v = y / q(x) = c [1 + \tau(x)] / q(x)$$