

Optimal Macroeconomic Growth

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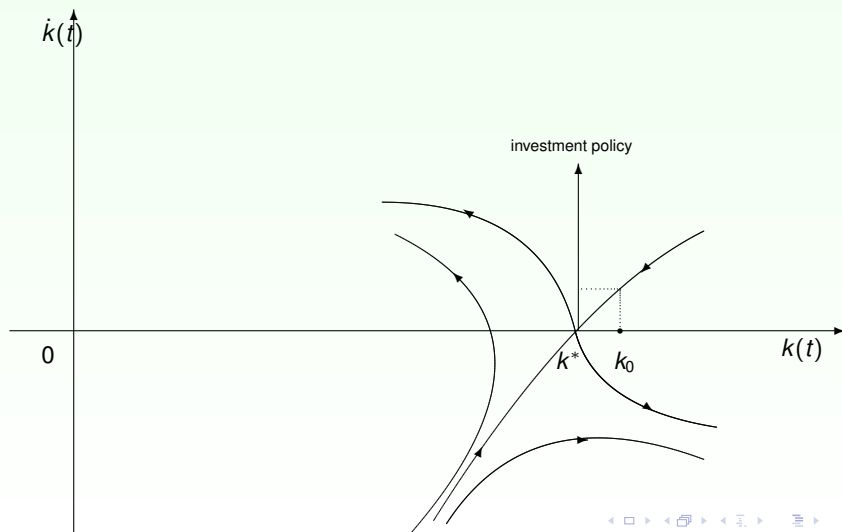
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- With some other space of curves :
... Euler-Lagrange + transversality condition.

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$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad C^1$$

$$\bar{x} \quad f(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$\dot{X} = df(\bar{x})X$$

\bar{x} hyperbolic : $\forall \lambda, \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \neq 0$

In a neighborhood of \bar{x} , the two dynamics are homeomorphic with conservation of the orientation of the trajectories.

Nemytski operator

$$f : \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

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$$\mathcal{N}_f(x(\cdot)) = f(\cdot, x(\cdot))$$

If $f(\cdot)$ is C^1 then \mathcal{N}_f too and

$$\mathcal{N}'_f(x(\cdot)).h(\cdot) = f'_x(\cdot, x(\cdot)).h(\cdot)$$