

Trade stability in General Equilibrium Framework:

[Recap: For stability in Partial Equi Framework: $\frac{dED}{dP} < 0$]

Consider good X:

For stability we should have: $\frac{dED_x}{dp} < 0$ [where $p = \frac{P_x}{P_y}$]

$ED_x = M^* - X$ [& Given: $\frac{M}{X} = p \Rightarrow X = \frac{M}{p}$]

$ED_x = M^* - \frac{M}{p}$

$\frac{dED_x}{dp} = \frac{dM^*}{dp} - \frac{p \cdot \frac{dM}{dp} - M}{p^2} = \frac{dM^*}{dp} - \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{dM}{dp} + \frac{M}{p^2}$

For trade stability: $\frac{dED_x}{dp} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dM^*}{dp} - \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{dM}{dp} + \frac{M}{p^2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{-p dM^*}{M^* dp} \right) + \frac{1 \cdot p dM}{p M^* dp} - \frac{M \cdot p}{p^2 M^*} > 0$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon^* + \frac{1}{M^*} \cdot \frac{dM}{dp} - \frac{M}{M^*} \cdot \frac{1}{p} > 0$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon^* + \frac{1}{X} \cdot \frac{dM}{dp} - \frac{M}{X} \cdot \frac{1}{p} > 0$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon^* + \left(\frac{dM}{dp} \cdot \frac{p}{M} \right) - \frac{M}{p} \cdot \frac{p}{M} > 0$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon^* + \epsilon - 1 > 0$

$\epsilon = \frac{dM}{dp} \cdot \frac{p}{M}$

$\epsilon^* = - \frac{dM^*}{dp} \cdot \frac{p}{M^*}$

$X = M^*$

$M = X^*$

For Home:

$\frac{M}{X} = p$

$X = \frac{M}{p}$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^* + \epsilon - 1 > 0$$

or, $\{\epsilon + \epsilon^* > 1\} \Rightarrow$ Marshall-Lerner (ML) Conditions

For ensuring, int. relative price $p = \frac{P_X^*}{P_Y^*}$ is stable, above condition should be satisfied -

Theory of International Trade

(i) Trade occurs because Autarky prices differs.

(ii) Why does Autarky prices differs?

2 possibilities:

- ↳ Supply conditions differ b/w H & F (Assume DD remains same) [International Trade]
- ↳ Demand conditions differ b/w H & F (Assume SS remains same) [Open Eco Macroeconomics]

Supply conditions differ b/w H & F: $[q = f(L, K)]$.

- ↳ Technological Differences in prodn b/w H & F. (Absolute Adv - A. Smith, Comparative Adv - David Ricardo)
- ↳ Endowment Difference b/w H & F. [Endowment of factors of prodn differ b/w 2 countries].
Heckstein-Ohlin Model (HO Model) & Stolper-Samuelson Theorem (SS Theorem).

Absolute Advantage - Adam Smith

2x.2x1 Framework [2 countries, 2 commodities, 1 Factor of prodn]

2x1 framework [2 countries, 2 commodities,
1 Factor of Production (Labour)]

Assume that both H & F are endowed with \bar{L} units of labour. Consider the 2 goods to be X, Y

Technological differences in prodn is captured by factor coeffs.

Define: l_{xh} = Labour coeff for Good X in H = $\left(\frac{L_x}{X}\right)$

[To produce 1 unit of Good, how much Labour is reqd = l_{xh}]

Similarly define: l_{yh}, l_{xf}, l_{yf}

Assume: $l_{xh} < l_{xf}$ [H is more efficient in prodn of X]
 $l_{yh} > l_{yf}$ [F is more efficient in prodn of Y]

H is technologically superior in prodn of X
F is technologically superior in prodn of Y

Evaluate the pattern of trade under this situation:

(i) Obtain the autarky relative price for H & F (P_d, P_f):

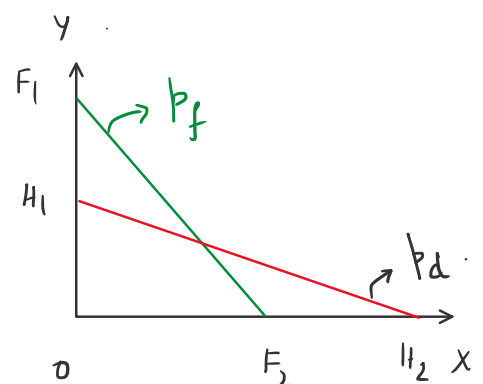
$$PPF_H: L_x + L_y = \bar{L} \Rightarrow l_{xh} \cdot X + l_{yh} \cdot Y = \bar{L} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$PPF_F: l_{xf} \cdot X + l_{yf} \cdot Y = \bar{L} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

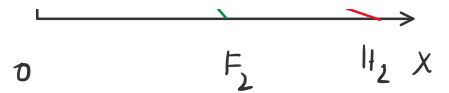
$$\text{Slope of } PPF_H: l_{xh} \cdot dX + l_{yh} \cdot dY = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{dY}{dX} \right|_{PPF_H} = - \frac{l_{xh}}{l_{yh}}$$

$$\text{Slope of } PPF_F: l_{xf} \cdot dX + l_{yf} \cdot dY = 0$$



slope of PPF_F: $l_{xf} \cdot dx + l_{yf} \cdot dy = 0$



$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{PPF_F} = - \frac{l_{xf}}{l_{yf}}$$

$$\left(\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_H \right) = \left(\frac{l_{xh} \downarrow}{l_{yh} \uparrow} \right) \downarrow \quad \left| \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_F = \left(\frac{l_{xf} \uparrow}{l_{yf} \downarrow} \right) \uparrow$$

Assumed:
 $l_{xh} < l_{xf}$
 $l_{yh} > l_{yf}$

\therefore PPF_F is steeper than PPF_H.

Given a competitive framework, in both H & F:

$P = AC$ in both sector X & Y.

For H: $P_x = AC_x = \frac{TC_x}{X} = \frac{w^H L_x}{X} = w^H \left(\frac{L_x}{X} \right) = w^H l_{xh}$

$$P_y = AC_y = w^H l_{yh}$$

\therefore Autarky relative price for H = $p_d = \frac{P_x}{P_y} = \left(\frac{l_{xh}}{l_{yh}} \right)$

$\therefore p_d = \left(\frac{l_{xh}}{l_{yh}} \right) = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_H = MRPT_H$

For F: similarly $p_f = \left(\frac{l_{xf}}{l_{yf}} \right) = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_F = MRPT_F$

Given the structure $p_d < p_f \Rightarrow$ Autarky prices differ.

\therefore When H & F will trade, international price p^*

will s.t $p_d < p^* < p_f$. [$\because p_d < p_f \Rightarrow$ Relative of

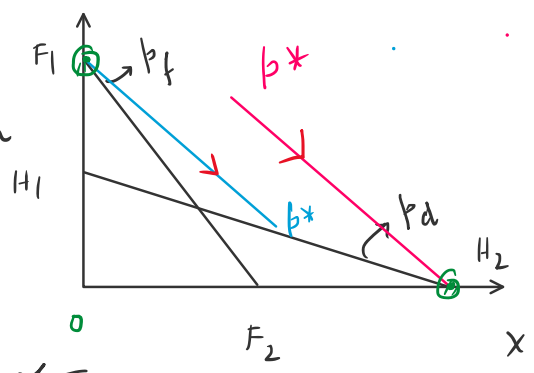
Good X is lesser in Home, H \rightarrow Export X, F \rightarrow Export F]

Under Trade:

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$H \rightarrow \text{only produces } X$
 $F \rightarrow \text{only produces } Y$

Complete specialization



$H \rightarrow \text{Export } X, \text{ Import } Y$
 $F \rightarrow \text{Export } Y, \text{ Import } X$

Pattern of Trade