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INTERNATIONAL MONETARY THEORY

- LECTURE 2 -

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|| Motivation

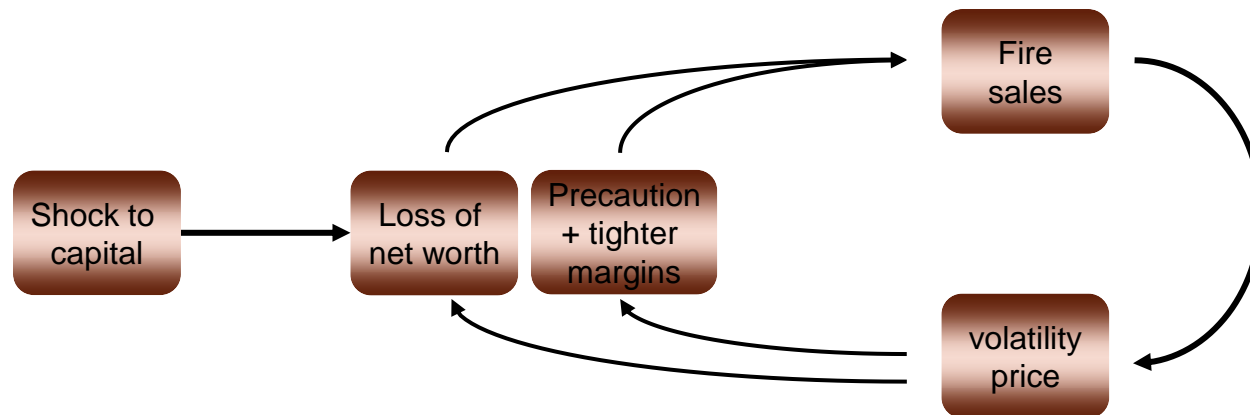
- Aim: Bridge the gap between
 - Macro/monetary research
 - Finance research
- Financial sector helps to
 - overcome financing frictions and
 - channels resources
 - creates money

... but

 - Credit crunch due to adverse feedback loops & liquidity spirals
 - Non-linear dynamics
- New insights to monetary and international economics

Systemic risk – a broad definition

- Systemic **risk build-up** during (credit) **bubble** ... and materializes in a crisis
 - “Volatility Paradox” → contemp. measures inappropriate
- Spillovers/contagion – **externalities**
 - Direct contractual: domino effect (interconnectedness)
 - Indirect: price effect (fire-sale externalities)
credit crunch, liquidity spirals



- *Adverse GE response* → **amplification, persistence**

|| Minsky moment – Wile E. Coyote Effect



|| Instruments

- Output (gap)



- Price stability
Monetary policy

- Financial stability
Macroprudential policy

- Short-term interest
- Policy rule
(terms structure)



- Reserve requirements
- Capital/liquidity requirements.
- Collateral policy
Margins/haircuts
- Capital controls

Methodology – relation to finance

timeline

Verbal Reasoning (qualitative)

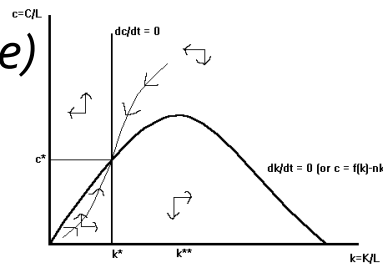
Fisher, Keynes, ...

Macro

Finance

Growth theory

- Dynamic (cts. time)
- Deterministic

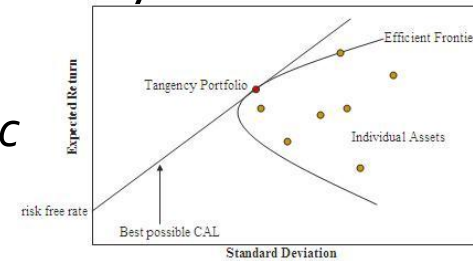


Introduce stochastic

- Discrete time
 - Brock-Mirman, Stokey-Lucas
 - DSGE models

Portfolio theory

- Static
- Stochastic



Introduce dynamics

- Continuous time
 - Options Black Scholes
 - Term structure CIR
 - Agency theory Sannikov

Cts. time macro with financial frictions

Heterogeneous agents + frictions

- Lending-borrowing/insuring since agents are different

- Poor-rich
- Productive
- Less patient
- Less risk averse
- More optimistic

← Limited direct lending
due to frictions

- Rich-poor
- Less productive
- More patient
- More risk averse
- More pessimistic

- Friction → $p_s MRS_s$ different even after transactions
- **Wealth distribution matters!** (net worth of subgroups)
- Financial sector is not a veil



LIQUIDITY – PERSISTENCE & AMPLIFICATION

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Liquidity Concepts

- Financial instability arises from the fragility of liquidity

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Technological liquidity

- Reversibility of investment

Market liquidity

- Specificity of capital
Price impact of capital sale

Funding liquidity

- Maturity structure of debt
 - Can't roll over short term debt
- Sensitivity of margins
 - Margin-funding is recalled

~~Liquidity~~
Maturity mismatch

- Liquidity mismatch* determines severity of amplification₉

Types of Funding Constraints

- Equity constraint

- “Skin in the game constraint”

- + Debt constraints

- None

BruSan, He-Krishnamurthy

- Costly state verification a la Townsend

CF, BGG

- Borrowing cost increase as net worth drops

- Collateral/leverage/margin constraints

KM, BP, G

- Quantity constraint on borrowing

- Incomplete contracts a la Hart-Moore

- Commitment problem

- Credit rationing a la Stiglitz-Weiss

Macro-literature on Frictions

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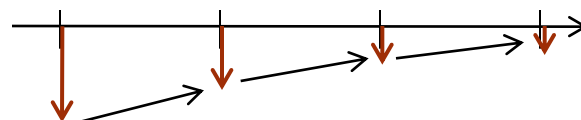
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4. Financial intermediaries & Theory of Money

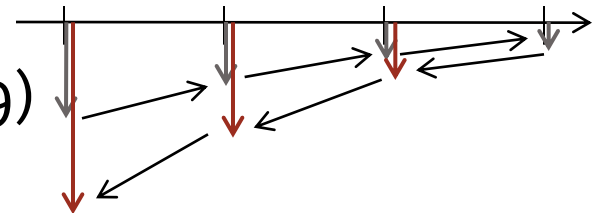
Amplification & Instability - Overview

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- Kiyotaki & Moore (1997), BGG (1999)
 - Technological/market illiquidity
 - KM: Leverage bounded by margins; BGG: Verification cost (CSV)
 - Stronger **amplification** effects through **prices** (low net worth reduces leveraged institutions' demand for assets, lowering prices and further depressing net worth)
- Brunnermeier & Sannikov (2010)
 - Instability and volatility dynamics, volatility paradox
- Brunnermeier & Pedersen (2009), Geanakoplos
 - Volatility interaction with margins/haircuts (leverage)

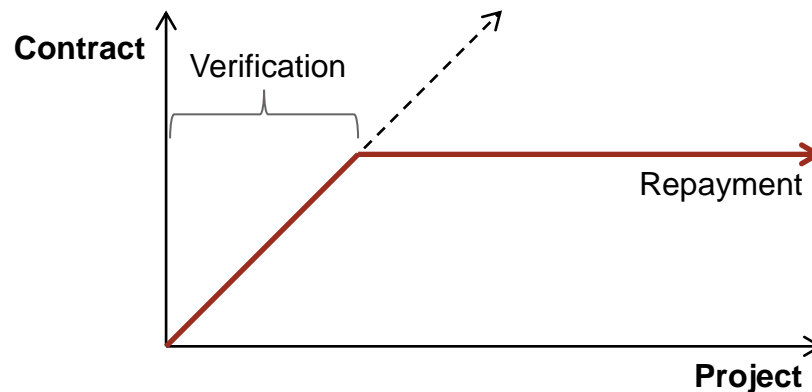


|| Persistence

- Even in standard real business cycle models, temporary adverse shocks can have long-lasting effects
- Due to feedback effects, persistence is much stronger in models with *financial frictions*
 - Bernanke & Gertler (1989)
 - Carlstrom & Fuerst (1997)
- Negative shocks to net worth exacerbate frictions and lead to lower capital, investment and net worth in future periods

Costly State Verification

- Key friction in previous models is costly state verification, i.e. CSV, a la Townsend (1979)
- Borrowers are subject to an idiosyncratic shock
 - Unobservable to lenders, but can be verified at a cost
- Optimal solution is given by a contract that resembles standard debt

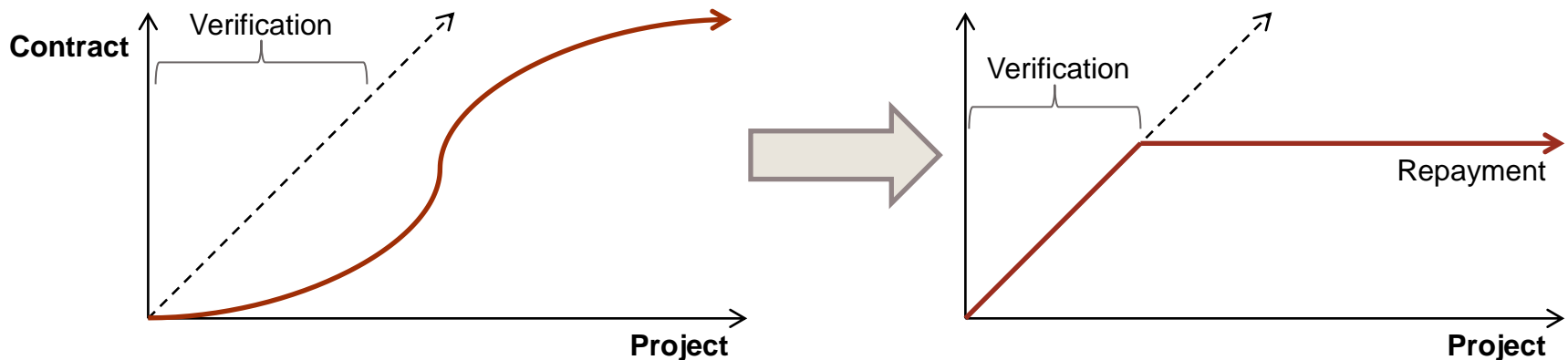


|| CSV: Contracting

- Competitive market for capital
 - Lender's expected profit is equal to zero
 - Borrower's optimization is equivalent to minimizing expected verification cost
- Financial contract specifies:
 - Debt repayment for each reported outcome
 - Reported outcomes that should be verified

CSV: Optimal Contract

- Incentive compatibility implies that
 - Repayment outside of VR is constant
 - Repayment outside of VR is weakly greater than inside
- Maximizing repayment in VR reduces the size and thus the expected verification cost



Carlstrom & Fuerst

- Output is produced according to $Y_t = A_t f(K_t)$
- Fraction η of entrepreneurs and $1 - \eta$ of households
 - Only entrepreneurs can create new capital from consumption goods
- Individual investment yields ωi_t of capital
 - Shock is given by $\omega \sim G$ with $E[\omega] = 1$
 - This implies consumption goods are converted to capital one-to-one in the *aggregate*
 - *No technological illiquidity!*

CF: Costly State Verification

- Households can verify ω at cost μi_t
 - Optimal contract is debt with audit threshold $\bar{\omega}$
 - Entrepreneur with net worth n_t borrows $i_t - n_t$ and repays $\min\{\omega_t, \bar{\omega}\} \times i_t$
- Auditing threshold is set by HH breakeven condition
 - $$\left[\int_0^{\bar{\omega}} (\omega - \mu) dg(\omega) + (1 - G(\bar{\omega}))\bar{\omega} \right] i_t q_t = i_t - n_t$$
 - Here, q_t is the price of capital
- No positive interest (within period borrowing) and no risk premium (no aggregate investment risk)

CF: Supply of Capital

- Entrepreneur's optimization:
 - $\max_{i_t} \int_{\bar{\omega}_t}^{\infty} (\omega - \bar{\omega}_t) dG(\omega) i_t q_t$
 - Subject to HH breakeven constraint
- Linear investment rule $i_t = \psi(q_t) n_t$
 - Leverage $\psi(q_t)$ is increasing in q_t
- Aggregate supply of capital is increasing in
 - Price of capital q_t
 - Aggregate net worth N_t

CF: Demand for Capital

- Return to holding capital:

- $$R_{t+1}^k = \frac{A_{t+1}f'(K_{t+1}) + (1-\delta)q_{t+1}}{q_t}$$

- Risk averse HH have discount factor β

- Standard utility maximization

- Budget constraint:

$$c_t \leq A_t f'(K_t) k_t + q_t [(1 - \delta)k_t - k_{t+1}]$$

- Euler equation: β $E_t [R_{t+1}^k u'(c_{t+1})]$

CF: Demand for Capital

- Risk-neutral entrepreneurs are less patient, $\beta < \underline{\beta}$
 - Euler equation: $1 = \beta E_t [R_{t+1}^k \rho(q_t)]$
 - Return on internal funds:
$$\rho(q_t) \equiv \int_{\bar{\omega}_t}^{\infty} (\omega - \bar{\omega}_t) dG(\omega) \psi(q_t) q_t$$
- Aggregate demand for capital is decreasing in q_t

CF: Persistence & Dampening

- Negative shock in period t decreases N_t
 - This increases financial friction and decreases I_t
- Decrease in capital supply leads to
 - Lower capital: K_{t+1}
 - Lower output: Y_{t+1}
 - Lower net worth: N_{t+1}
 - Feedback effects in future periods $t + 2, \dots$
- Decrease in capital supply also leads to
 - Increased price of capital q_t
 - Dampening effect on propagation of net worth shock

Dynamic Amplification

- Bernanke, Gertler and Gilchrist (1999) introduce *technological illiquidity* in the form of nonlinear adjustment costs to capital
- Negative shock in period t decreases N_t
 - This increases financial friction and decreases I_t
- In contrast to the dampening mechanism present in CF, decrease in capital supply leads to
 - Decreased price of capital due to adjustment costs
 - *Amplification* effect on propagation of net worth shock

|| Bernanke, Gertler & Gilchrist

- BGG assume separate investment sector
 - This separates entrepreneurs' capital decisions from adjustment costs
- $\Phi(\cdot)$ represents *technological illiquidity*
 - Increasing and concave with $\Phi(0) = 0$
 - $K_{t+1} = \Phi\left(\frac{I_t}{K_t}\right) K_t + (1 - \delta)K_t$
- FOC of investment sector
 - $\max_{I_t} \{q_t K_{t+1} - I_t\} \Rightarrow q_t = \Phi' \left(\frac{I_t}{K_t}\right)^{-1}$

[jump to KM97](#)

||| BGG: Entrepreneurs

- Entrepreneurs alone can hold capital used in production
- At time t , entrepreneurs purchase capital for $t + 1$
 - To purchase k_{t+1} , an entrepreneur borrows $q_t k_{t+1} - n_t$
 - Here, n_t represents entrepreneur net worth
- Assume gross return to capital is given by ωR_{t+1}^k
 - Here $\omega \sim G$ with $E[\omega] = 1$ and ω i.i.d.
 - R_{t+1}^k is the endogenous aggregate equilibrium return

|| BGG: Costly State Verification

- Entrepreneurs borrow from HH in a CSV framework
- If R_{t+1}^k is deterministic, then threshold satisfies:
 - $\left[(1 - \mu) \int_0^{\bar{\omega}} \omega dG(\omega) + (1 - G(\bar{\omega}))\bar{\omega} \right] R_{t+1}^k q_t k_{t+1} = R_{t+1} (q_t k_{t+1} - n_t)$
 - Here, R_{t+1} is the risk-free rate and $\mu\omega$ the verification cost
- If there is aggregate risk in R_{t+1}^k then BGG argue that entrepreneurs will insure HH against risk
 - This amounts to setting $\bar{\omega}$ as a function of R_{t+1}^k
 - As in CF, HH perfectly diversify against entrepreneur idiosyncratic risk

|| BGG: Supply of Capital

- Entrepreneurs solve the following problem:
 - $\max_{k_{t+1}} E \left[\int_{\bar{\omega}}^{\infty} (\omega - \bar{\omega}) dG(\omega) R_{t+1}^k q_t k_{t+1} \right]$
 - Subject to HH breakeven condition (state-by-state)
- Optimal leverage is again given by a linear rule
 - $q_t k_{t+1} = \psi \left(\frac{E[R_{t+1}^k]}{R_{t+1}} \right) n_t$
 - In a log-linearized solution, the remaining moments are insignificant
- Aggregate capital supply is increasing in $E[R_{t+1}^k]$ and aggregate net worth N_t

|| BGG: Demand for Capital

- Return on capital is determined in a general equilibrium framework

- Gross return to holding a unit of capital

- $$E[R_{t+1}^k] = E\left[\frac{A_{t+1}f'(K_{t+1}) + q_{t+1}(1-\delta) + q_{t+1}\Phi\left(\frac{I_{t+1}}{K_{t+1}}\right) - \frac{I_{t+1}}{K_{t+1}}}{q_t}\right]$$

- Capital demand is decreasing in expected return $E[R_{t+1}^k]$

|| BGG: Persistence & Amplification

- Shocks to net worth N_t are persistent
 - They affect capital holdings, and thus N_{t+1}, \dots
- *Technological illiquidity* introduces amplification effect
 - Decrease in capital leads to reduced price of capital from
$$q_t = \Phi' \left(\frac{I_t}{K_t} \right)^{-1}$$
 - Lower price of capital further decreases net worth

|| Kiyotaki & Moore 97

- Kiyotaki, Moore (1997) adopt a
 - collateral constraint instead of CSV
 - *market illiquidity* – second best use of capital
- Output is produced in two sectors, differ in productivity
- Aggregate capital is fixed, resulting in extreme *technological illiquidity*
 - Investment is completely irreversible
- Durable asset has two roles:
 - Collateral for borrowing
 - Input for production

|| KM: Amplification

- *Static* amplification occurs because fire-sales of capital from productive sector to less productive sector depress asset prices
 - Importance of *market liquidity* of physical capital
- *Dynamic* amplification occurs because a temporary shock translates into a persistent decline in output and asset prices

|| KM: Agents

- Two types of infinitely-lived risk neutral agents
- Mass η of productive agents
 - Constant-returns-to-scale production technology yielding $y_{t+1} = ak_t$
 - Discount factor $\beta < 1$
- Mass $1 - \eta$ of less productive agents
 - Decreasing-returns-to-scale production $y_{t+1} = F(k_t)$
 - Discount factor $\underline{\beta} \in (\beta, 1)$

|| KM: Frictions

- Since productive agents are less patient, they will want to borrow b_t from less productive agents
 - However, friction arises in that each productive agent's technology requires *his* individual human capital
 - Productive agents cannot pre-commit human capital
- This results in a collateral constraint
$$Rb_t \leq q_{t+1}k_t$$
 - Productive agent will never repay more than the value of his asset holdings, i.e. collateral

KM: Demand for Assets

- Since there is no uncertainty, a *productive agent* will borrow the maximum quantity and will not consume any of the output
 - Budget constraint: $q_t k_t - b_t \leq (a + q_t)k_{t-1} - Rb_{t-1}$
 - Demand for assets: $k_t = \frac{1}{q_t - \frac{q_{t+1}}{R}} [(a + q_t)k_{t-1} - Rb_{t-1}]$
- Unproductive agents are not borrowing constrained
 - $R = \underline{\beta}^{-1}$ and asset demand is set by equating margins
 - Demand for assets: $R = \frac{F'(k_t) + q_{t+1}}{q_t}$

$$\text{Rewritten to } \frac{1}{R} F'(k_t) = q_t - \frac{1}{R} q_{t+1}$$

|| KM: Equilibrium

- With fixed supply of capital, market clearing requires $\eta K_t + (1 - \eta) \underline{K}_t = \bar{K}$
 - This implies $M(K_t) \equiv \frac{1}{R} F' \left(\frac{\bar{K} - \eta K_t}{1 - \eta} \right) = q_t - \frac{1}{R} q_{t+1}$
 - Note that $M(\cdot)$ is increasing
- Iterating forward, we obtain: $q_t = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{R^s} M(K_{t+s})$

|| KM: Steady State

- In steady state, productive agents use tradable output a to pay interest on borrowing:
- This implies that steady state price q^* must satisfy:
 - $q^* - \frac{1}{R}q^* = a$
- Further, steady state capital K^* must satisfy:
 - $\frac{1}{R}F' \left(\frac{\bar{K} - \eta K^*}{1 - \eta} \right) = a$
 - This reflects inefficiency since marginal products correspond only to *tradable* output

|| KM: Productivity Shock

- Log-linearized deviations around steady state:
 - Unexpected one-time shock that reduces production of all agents by factor $1 - \Delta$
- %-change in assets for given change in asset price:
 - $\hat{K}_t = -\frac{\xi}{1+\xi} \left(\Delta + \frac{R}{R-1} \hat{q}_t \right), \hat{K}_{t+s} = \frac{\xi}{1+\xi} \hat{K}_{t+s-1}$
 - $\frac{1}{\xi} = \frac{d \log M(K)}{d \log K} \Big|_{K=K^*}$ (elasticity)
- Reduction in assets comes from two shocks:
 - Lost output Δ
 - Capital losses on previous assets $\frac{R}{R-1} \hat{q}_t$, amplified by leverage
 - $\frac{\xi}{1+\xi}$ terms dampens effect since asset can reallocated

KM: Productivity Shock

- Change in price for given change in assets:
 - Log-linearize the equation $q_t = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{R^s} M(K_{t+s})$
 - This provides: $\hat{q}_t = \frac{1}{\xi} \frac{R-1}{R} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{R^s} \hat{K}_{t+s}$
- Combining equations:

Multiplier	static	dynamic
$\hat{K}_t =$	$-\Delta$	$-\frac{1}{(\xi + 1)(R - 1)} \Delta$
$\hat{q}_t =$	$-\frac{(R - 1)}{R} \frac{1}{\xi} \Delta$	$-\frac{1}{R} \frac{1}{\xi} \Delta$

- Static effect results from assuming $q_{t+1} = q^*$

||| BruSan10: Instability & Non-Linear Effects

- Previous papers only considered log-linearized solutions around steady state
- Brunnermeier & Sannikov (2010) build a continuous time model to study full dynamics
 - Show that financial system exhibits inherent instability due to highly non-linear effects
 - These effects are asymmetric and only arise in the downturn
- Agents choose a *capital cushion*
 - Mitigates moderate shocks near steady state
 - High volatility away from steady state

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4. Financial intermediaries & Theory of Money

|| Credit Rationing – Quantity Rationing

- Credit rationing refers to a failure of market clearing in credit
 - In particular, an excess demand for credit that fails to increase market interest rate
 - Pool of loan applicants worsens
 - Stiglitz & Weiss (1981) show how asymmetric information on risk can lead to credit rationing

Stiglitz, Weiss

- Entrepreneurs borrow from competitive lenders at interest rate r
 - Risky investment projects with $R \sim G(\cdot | \sigma_i)$
 - Mean preserving spreads, so heterogeneity is only in risk
- Assume entrepreneur borrows B
- Entrepreneur's payoff is convex in R
 - $\pi_e(R, r) = \max\{R - (1 + r)B, 0\}$
- Lender's payoff is concave in R
 - $\pi_l(R, r) = \min\{R, (1 + r)B\}$

SW: Adverse Selection

- Due to convexity, entrepreneur's expected payoff is increasing in riskiness σ_i
 - Only entrepreneurs with sufficiently risky projects will apply for loans, i.e. $\sigma_i \geq \sigma^*$
- Zero-profit condition: $\int \pi_e(R, r) dG(R|\sigma^*) = 0$
 - This determines cutoff σ^*
 - Note that σ^* is increasing in r
- Lender's payoff is not monotonic in r
 - Ex-post payoff is increasing in r
 - Higher cutoff σ^* leads to riskier selection of borrowers

SW: Credit Rationing

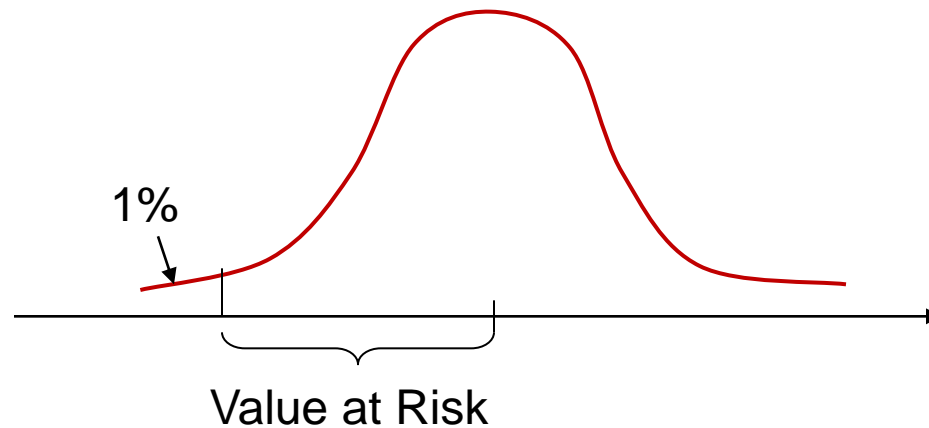
- Lenders will only lend at the profit maximizing interest rate r
- Excess demand for funds from borrowers will not increase the market rate
 - There exist entrepreneurs who would like to borrow, willing to pay a rate higher than the prevailing one
- Adverse selection leads to failure of credit markets

|| Brunnermeier-Pedersen: Margin Spiral

- For collateralized lending, debt constraints are directly linked to the **volatility of collateral**
 - Constraints are more binding in volatile environments
 - **Feedback effect** between **volatility and constraints**
- These margin spirals force agents to delever in times of crisis
 - Collateral runs counterparty bank run
 - Multiple equilibria

BP: Margins – Value at Risk (VaR)

- How are margins set by brokers/exchanges?
 - **Value at Risk:** $\Pr(-(p_{t+1} - p_t) \geq m) = 1\% = \pi$



BP: Leverage and Margins

- Financing a *long position* of $x_t^{j+} > 0$ shares at price $p_t^j = 100$:
 - Borrow \$90\$ dollar per share;
 - Margin/haircut: $m_t^{j+} = 100 - 90 = 10$
 - Capital use: $\$10 x_t^{j+}$
- Financing a *short position* of $x_t^{j-} > 0$ shares:
 - Borrow securities, and lend collateral of 110 dollar per share
 - Short-sell securities at price of 100
 - Margin/haircut: $m_t^{j-} = 110 - 100 = 10$
 - Capital use: $\$10 x_t^{j-}$
- Positions frequently marked to market
 - payment of $x_t^j (p_t^j - p_{t-1}^j)$ plus interest
 - margins potentially adjusted – *more later on this*
- Margins/haircuts must be financed with capital:

$$\sum_j (x_t^{j+} m_t^{j+} + x_t^{j-} m_t^{j-}) \leq W_t, \text{ where } x_t^j = x_t^{j+} - x_t^{j-}$$

with perfect cross-margining: $M_t(x_t^1, \dots, x_t^J) \leq W_t$

BP: Liquidity Spirals

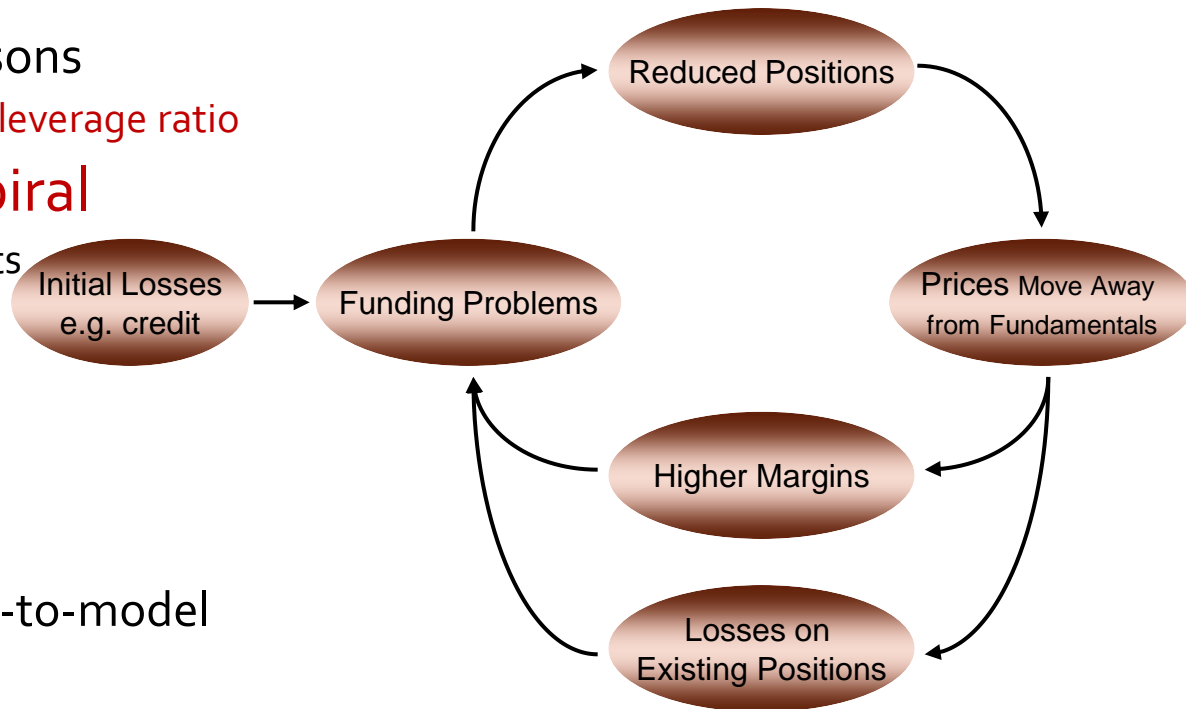
■ Borrowers' balance sheet

□ Loss spiral – net worth drops

- Net wealth $> \alpha \times$
for asym. info reasons
- constant or increasing leverage ratio

□ Margin/haircut spiral

- Higher margins/haircuts
- No rollover
- redemptions
- forces to delever

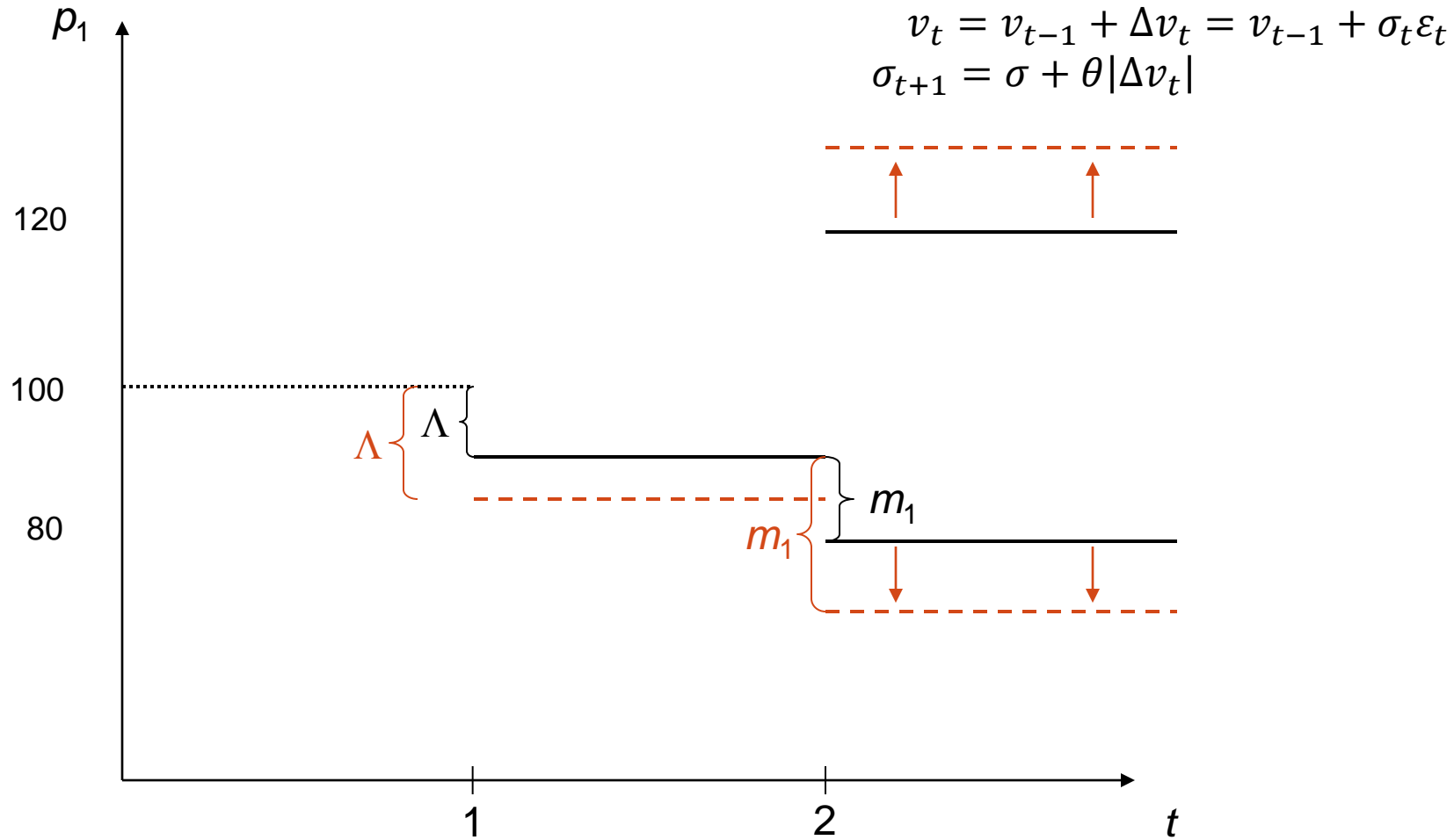


■ Mark-to-market vs. mark-to-model

- worsens loss spiral
- improves margin spiral

• Both spirals reinforce each other

BP: Margin Spiral – Increased Volatility



Selling pressure
initial customers

complementary
customers

BP: Margin Spirals - Intuition

1. Volatility of collateral increases

- Permanent price shock is accompanied by higher future volatility (e.g. ARCH)
 - Realization how difficult it is to value structured products
- Value-at-Risk shoots up
- Margins/haircuts increase = collateral value declines
- **Funding liquidity dries up**
- Note: all “expert buyers” are hit at the same time, SV 92

2. Adverse selection of collateral

- As margins/ABCP rate increase, selection of collateral worsens
- SIVs sell-off high quality assets first (empirical evidence)
- Remaining collateral is of worse quality

BP: Model Setup

- Time: $t=0,1,2$
- Asset with final asset payoff v follows ARCH process
 - $v_t = v_{t-1} + \Delta v_t = v_{t-1} + \sigma_t \varepsilon_t$, where $v_t := E_t[v]$
 - $\sigma_{t+1} = \sigma + \theta |\Delta v_t|$
- Market illiquidity measure: $\Lambda_t = |v_t - p_t|$
- Agents:
 - *Initial customers* with supply $S(z, v_t - p_t)$ at $t=1,2$
 - *Complementary customers'* demand $D(z, v_2 - p_2)$ at $t=2$
 - Risk-neutral *dealers* provide *immediacy* and
 - face capital constraint:

$$xm(\sigma, \Lambda) \leq W(\Lambda) := \max\{0, \underbrace{B}_{\text{cash}} + \underbrace{x_0(E[v_1] - \Lambda)}_{\text{"price" of stock holding}}\}$$
 - *Financiers* set margins

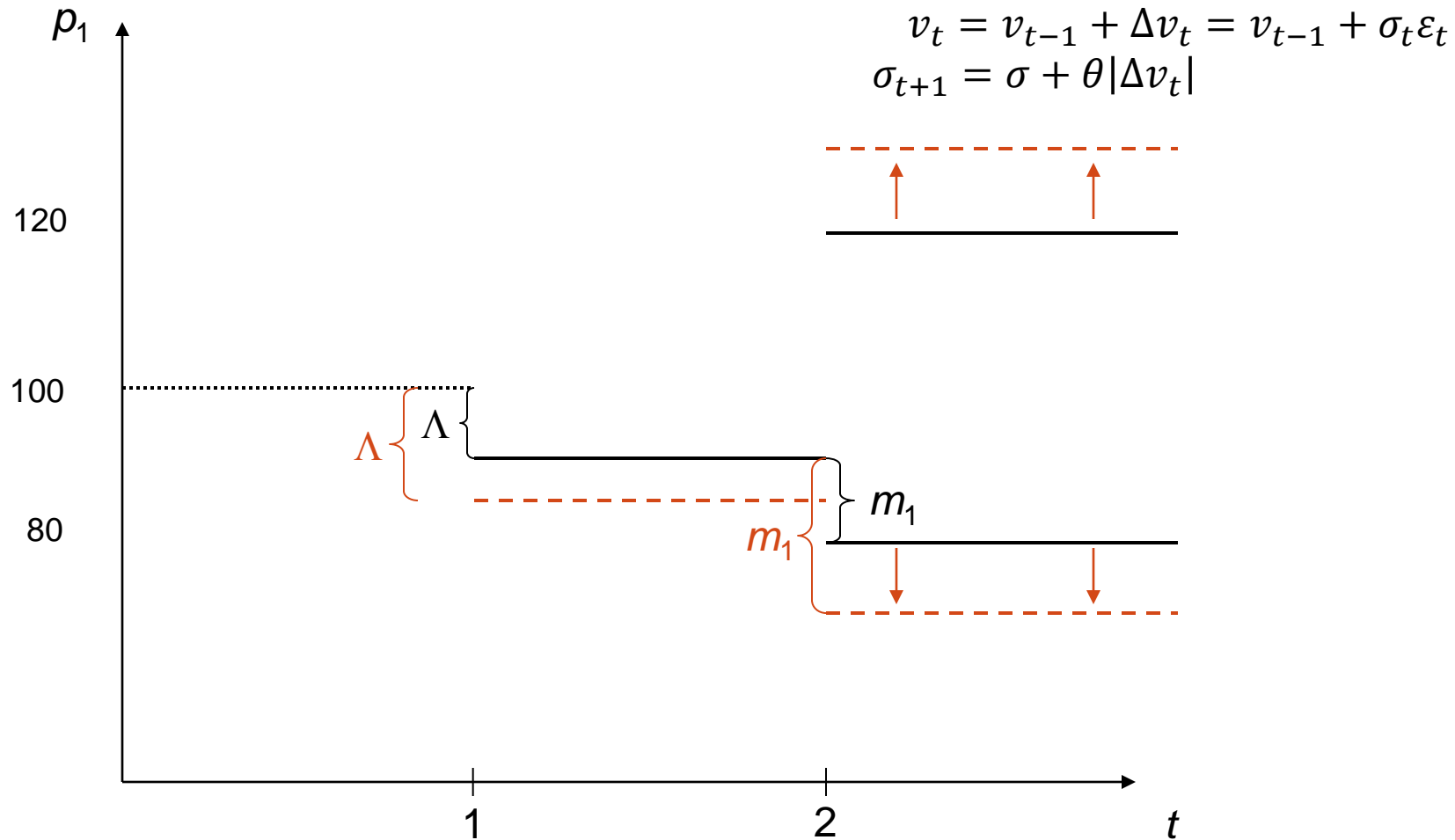
BP: Financiers' Margin Setting

- Margins are set based on Value-at-Risk
- *Financiers* do not know whether price move is due to
 - *Likely*, movement in fundamental (based on ARCH process)
 - *Rare*, Selling/buying pressure by customers who suffered asynchronous endowment shocks.

$$m_1^+ = \underbrace{\Phi^{-1}(1 - \pi)}_{\text{CDF}} \sigma_2 = \bar{\sigma} + \bar{\theta} |\Delta p_1| = m_1^-$$

Recall $\sigma_{t+1} = \sigma + \theta |\Delta v_t|$

BP: Margin Spiral – Increased Volatility

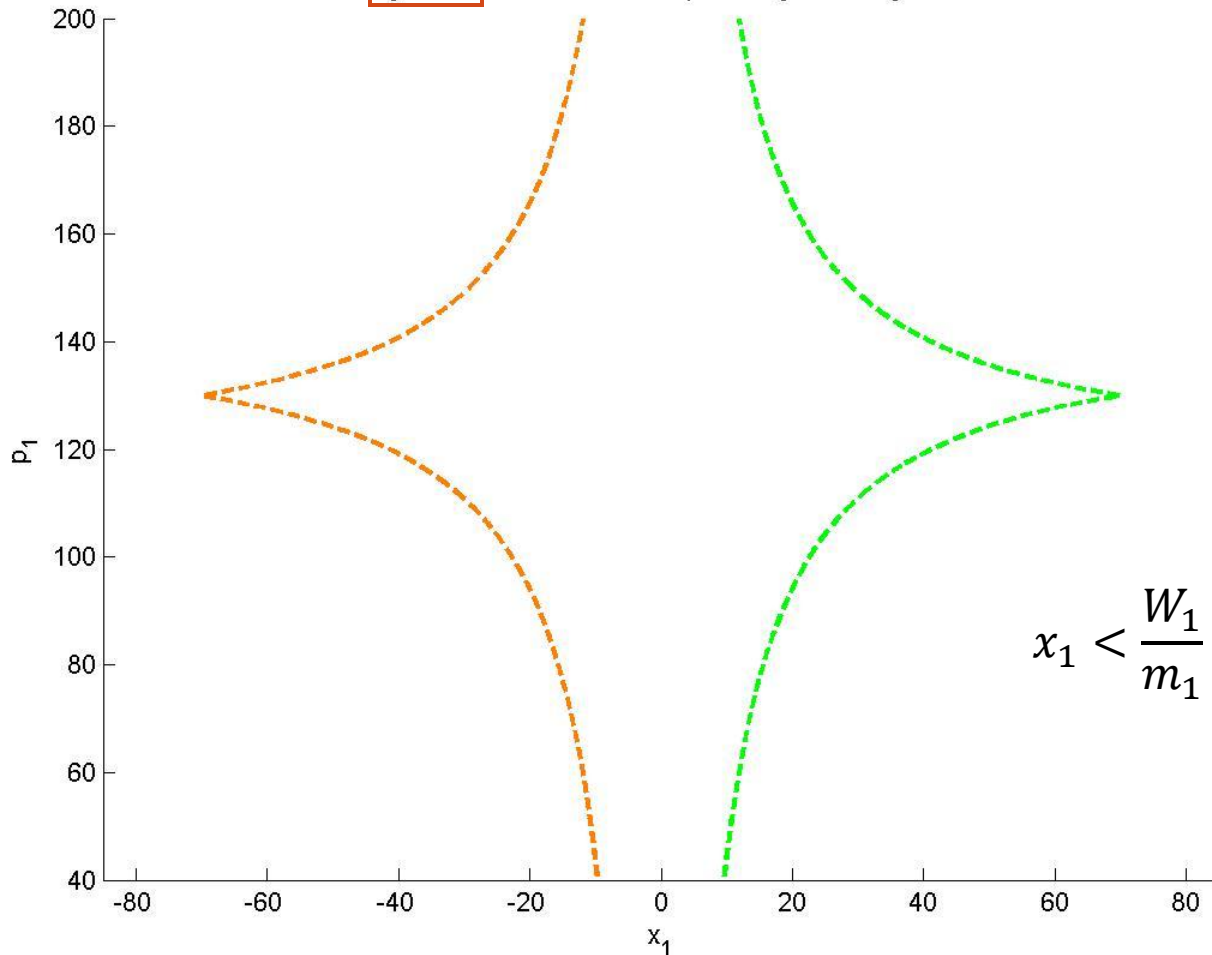


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1. Margin Spiral – Increased Volatility

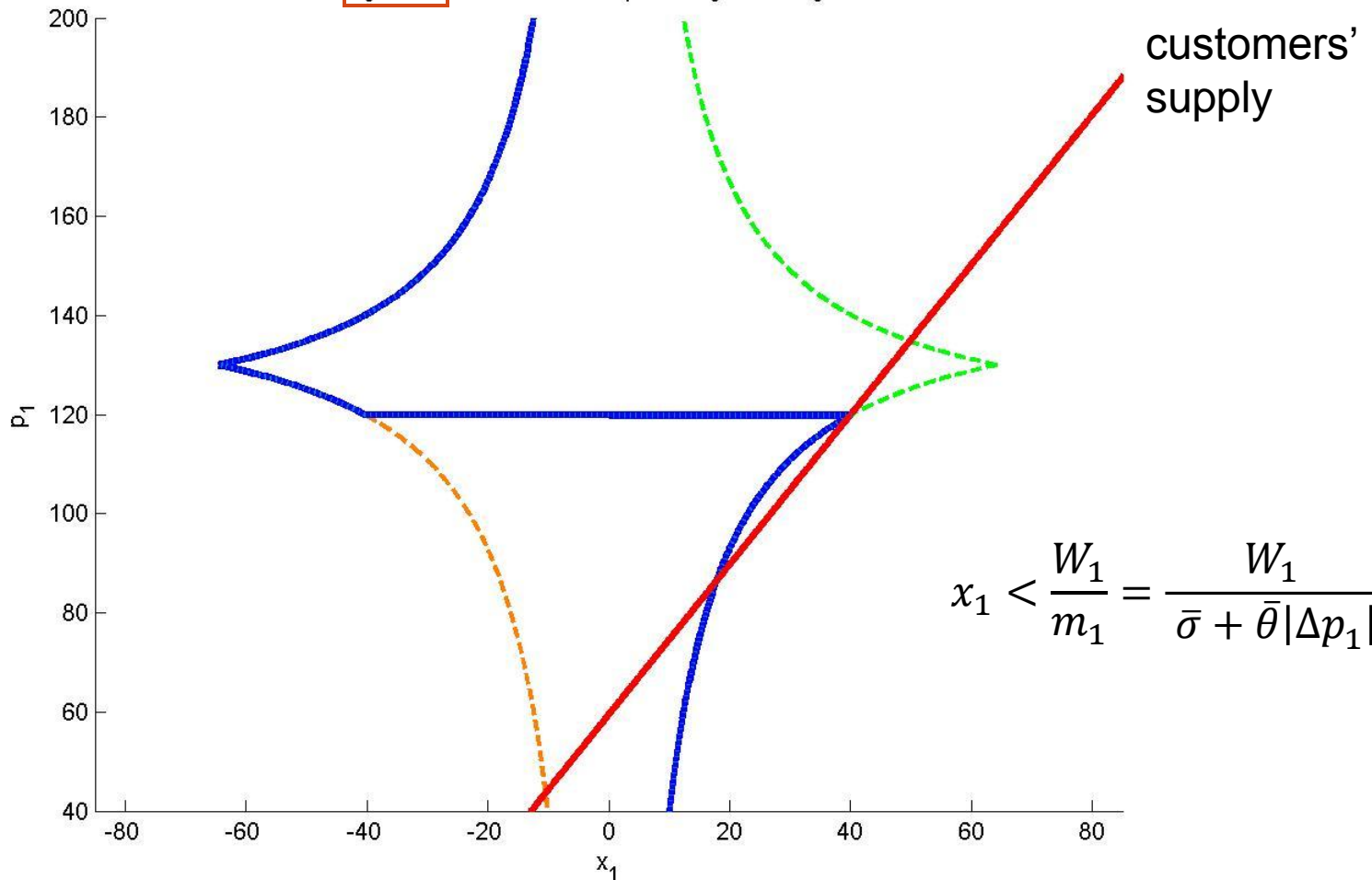
$\gamma = 0.01$ $\sigma^2 = 16$ $z_0 = 20$ $z_1 = 20$ $v_0 = 140$ $v_1 = 120$
 $p_0 = 130$ $k = 10$ $\theta = 0.3$ $\eta_1 = 0$ $W_0 = 700$ $x_0 = 0$



$$x_1 < \frac{W_1}{m_1} = \frac{W_1}{\bar{\sigma} + \bar{\theta} |\Delta p_1|}$$

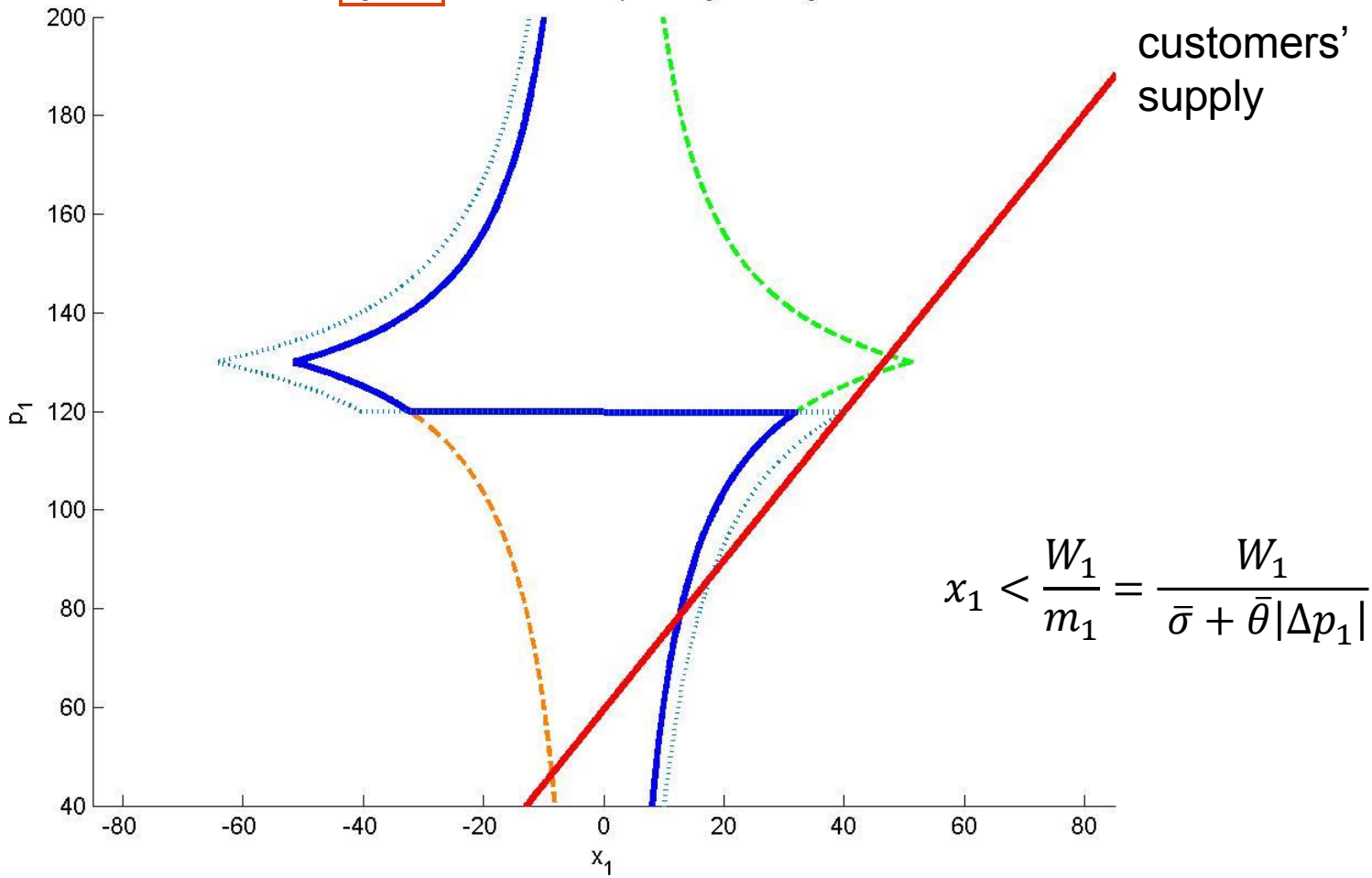
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$\gamma = 0.025$ $\sigma^2 = 11$ $z_0 = 20$ $z_1 = 20$ $v_0 = 140$ $v_1 = 120$
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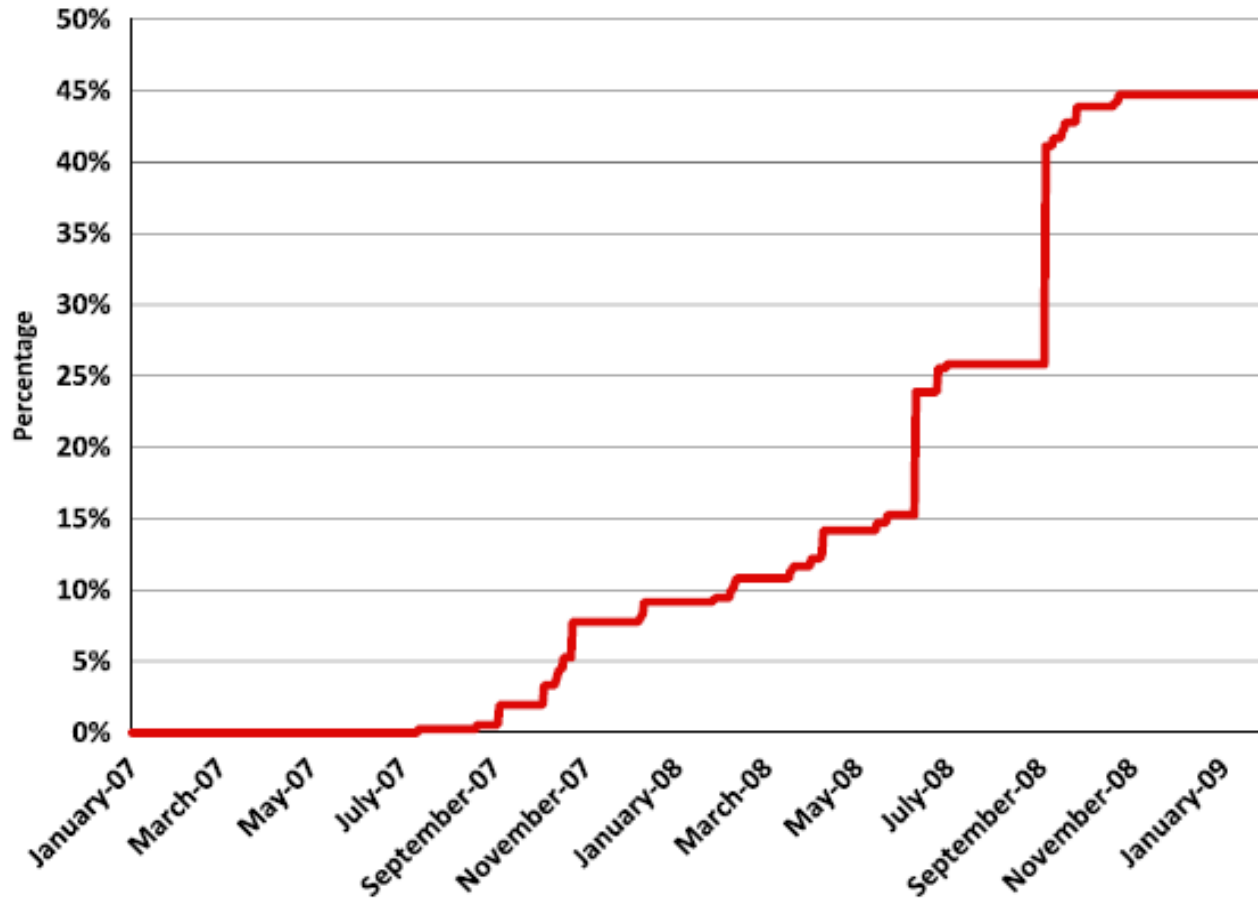
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$$x_1 < \frac{W_1}{m_1} = \frac{W_1}{\bar{\sigma} + \bar{\theta}|\Delta p_1|}$$

Data Gorton and Metrick (2011)

Haircut Index



“The Run on Repo”

Copeland, Martin, Walker (2011)

Margins **stable** in tri-party repo market

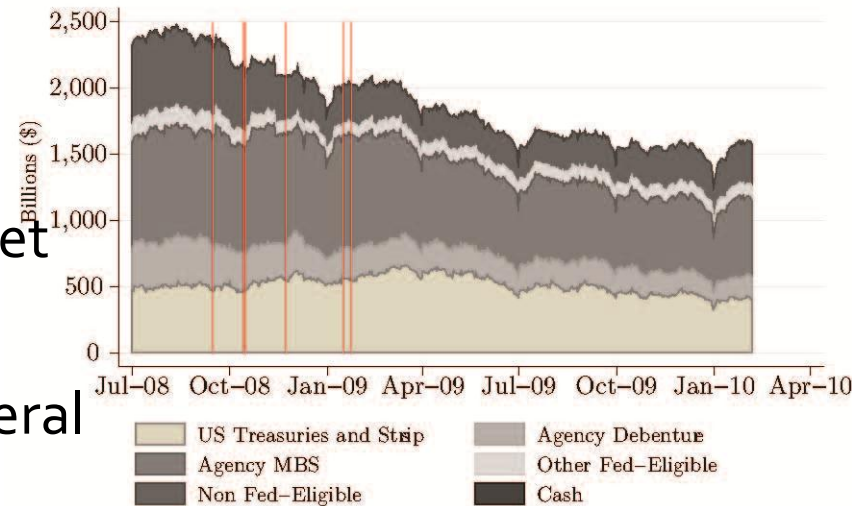
- contrasts Gorton and Metrick
- no general run on certain collateral

Run (non-renewed financing) only on select **counterparties**

- Bear Stearns (anecdotally)
- Lehman (in the data)

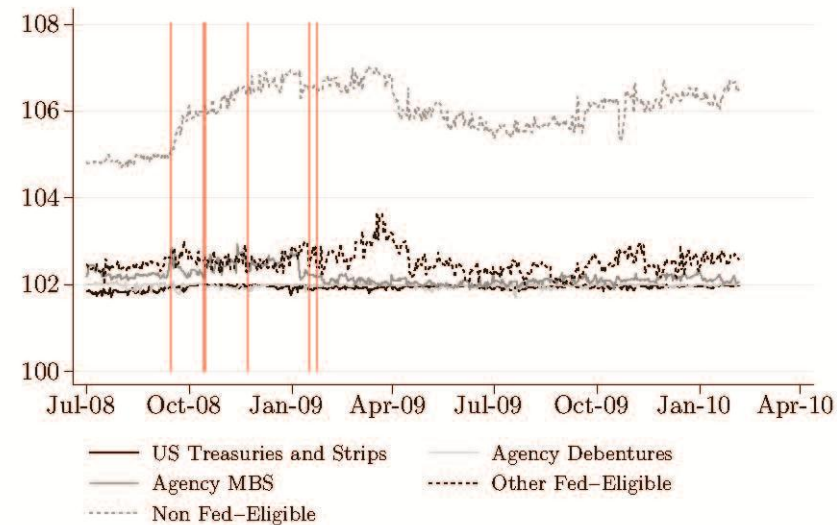
Like 100% haircut...
(counterparty specific!)

Figure 6: Stacked Graph of Collateral



Note: July 17, 2008 excluded because no data was available for BNYM on that date. Red lines correspond to important market events. From left to right: 9/15/08 (Lehman), 10/14/08 (9 banks receive aid), 10/16/08 (UBS), 11/23/08 (Citi), 1/16/09 (B of A), 1/24/09 (Citi).

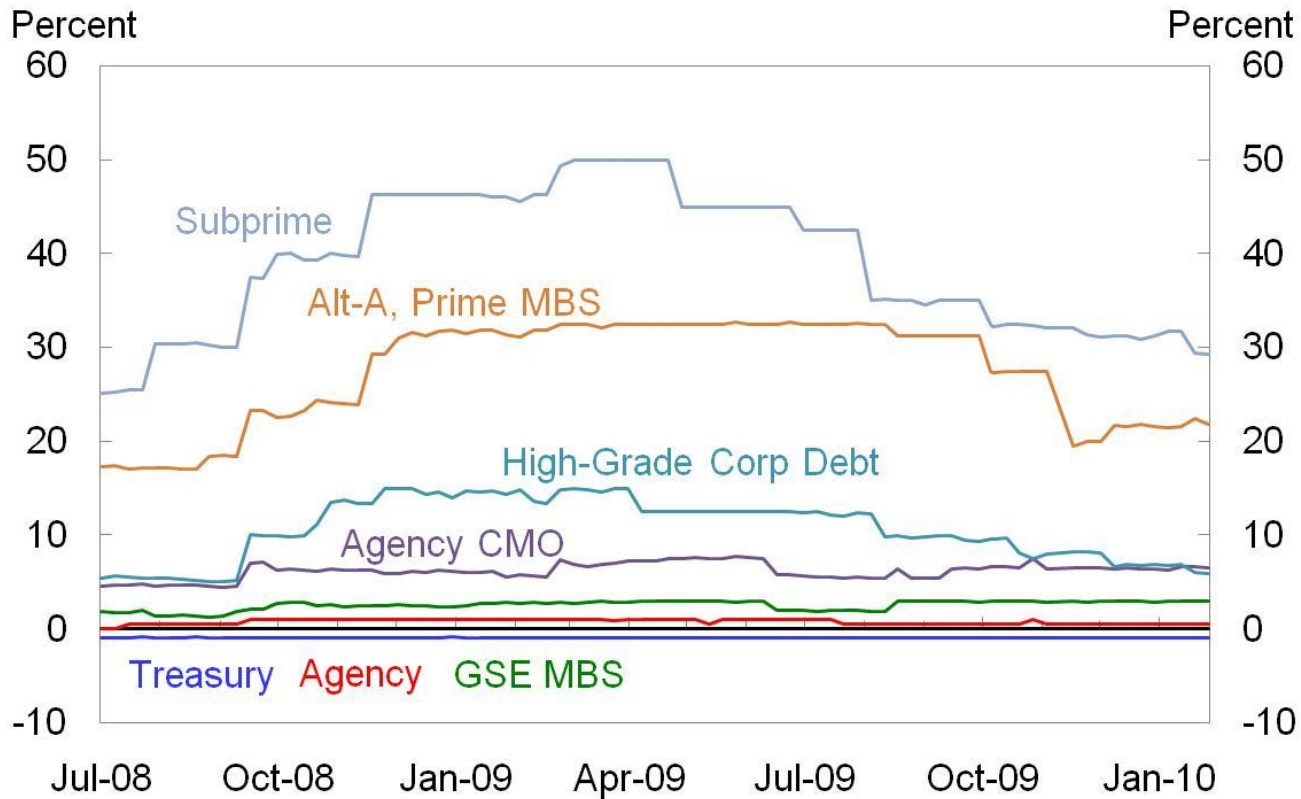
Figure 7: Median Haircuts by Asset Type



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|| Bilateral and Tri-party Haircuts?

Differences in Median Haircuts



Source: FRBNY Calculations

BP: Multiple Assets

- Dealer maximizes expected profit per capital use
 - Expected profit $E_1[v^j] - p^j = \Lambda^j$
 - Capital use m^j
- Dealers
 - Invest only in securities with highest ratio Λ^j/m^j
- Hence, illiquidity/margin ratio Λ^j/m^j is constant

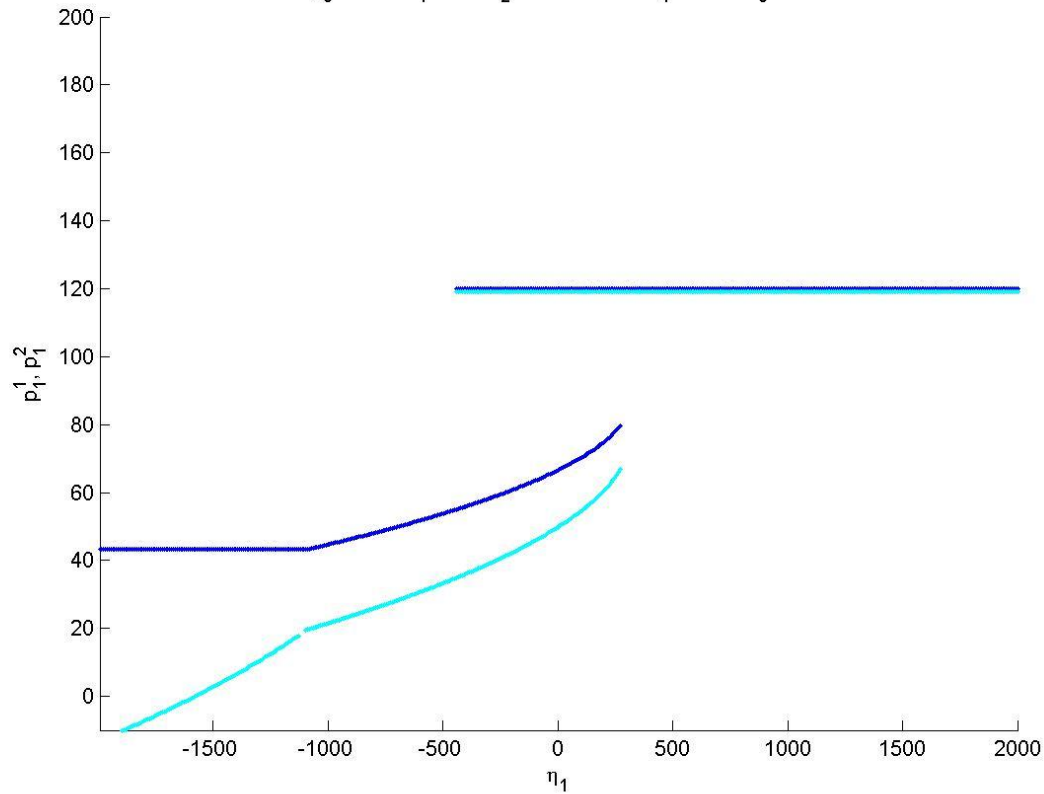
BP: Commonality & Flight to Quality

- Commonality
 - Since funding liquidity is driving common factor
- Flight to Quality
 - Quality=Liquidity
Assets with lower fund vol. have better liquidity
 - Flight
liquidity differential widens when funding liquidity becomes tight

BP: Flight to Quality

$m^2 = \text{Volatility of Security 2} = 2 > 1 = \text{Volatility of Security 1} = m^1$

$\gamma = 0.015$ $z_0 = 20$ $z_1 = 20$ $v_0 = 140$ $v_1 = 120$
 $p_0 = 130$ $\sigma_1 = 10$ $\sigma_2 = 15$ $\theta = 0.3$ $\eta_1 = 2000$ $x_0 = 0$



Overview

1. Net worth effects:

- a. Persistence: Carlstrom & Fuerst
- b. Amplification: Bernanke, Gertler & Gilchrist
- c. Instability: Brunnermeier & Sannikov

2. Volatility effects: Credit quantity constraints

- a. Margin spirals : Brunnermeier & Pederson
- b. Endogenous constraints: Geanakoplos

3. Demand for liquid assets & Bubbles – “self insurance”

- a. OLG, Aiyagari, Bewley, Krusell-Smith, Holmstrom Tirole,...

4. Financial intermediaries & Theory of Money