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# 5 Appendixes

### 5.1 Appendix of Chapter 1

# 5.1.1 The Model of Huang and Liu (2001)

In the model economy, the production of a final consumption good requires N stages of processing. The production of each good at stage 1 requires labor services only, with a constant-returns-to-scale technology given by  $Y_1(j) = H_1(j)$ , where  $H_1(j)$  is the labor input and  $Y_1(j)$  is the output. The production of each good at stage  $n \in \{2, ..., N\}$  uses labor and all goods produced at the previous stage as inputs according to the following technology

$$Y_{n}(j) = \left[\int_{0}^{1} Y_{n-1}(j,z)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} dz\right]^{r\mu} H_{n}(j)^{1-r},$$

where  $Y_n(j)$  is the output of a stage-*n* firm of type j,  $Y_{n-1}(j, z)$  is the input supplied to j by a stage-(n - 1) firm of type  $z, \mu > 1$  is function of the elasticity of substitution between such goods,  $H_n(j)$  is the labor input used by j, and  $r \in (0, 1)$  is the share of composite of stage-(n - 1) goods in j'production. Firms behave as imperfect competitors in their output markets and are pricetakers in their input markets. Given the constant-returns-to-scale technologies, the unit cost is also the marginal cost and is firm-independent. The optimal price decision under flexible prices is just a mark-up over marginal costs

$$P_{n}(j) = \mu \left[ \bar{r} \left( P_{n-1} \right)^{r} \left( W \right)^{1-r} \right], \qquad (5-1)$$

where  $\bar{r} \equiv r^{-r} (1-r)^{-(1-r)}$ ,  $P_{n-1} \equiv \left[\int_0^1 P_{n-1} (z)^{\frac{1}{1-\mu}} dz\right]^{1-\mu}$  is a price index for goods produced at stage n-1, and W is nominal wage per hour.

The representative household is infinitely lived and maximizes expected life utility. The following equation describes the labor supply decision of the household W

$$\frac{W}{P_N} = C,\tag{5-2}$$

Parameter	Description	Interval
$\alpha$	Private information precision	[0.10, 50.0]
$\beta$	Public or Semi-public information precision	[0.10, 50.0]
r	Share of goods produced at stage $(n-1)$	
	in the production of stage $n$	[0.10, 0.90]

Table 5.1: Parameter Values

where consumption C is a Dixit and Stiglitz (1977) composite of the final-stage goods

$$C = \left[\int_{0}^{1} Y_{N}(z)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} dz\right]^{\mu} \equiv Y_{N},$$
(5-3)

where  $Y_N(z)$  is a type z good produced at stage N. We combine equations (5-1), (5-2), and (5-3) to obtain

$$\frac{P_n(j)}{P_N} = \mu \left(\frac{P_{n-1}}{P_N}\right)^r (Y_N)^{1-r},$$

which log-linearized yields  $p_n^* \equiv rP_{n-1} + (1-r)\theta$ , where  $\theta \equiv Y_N + P_N$  is nominal aggregate demand.

# 5.1.2 Simulation

We simulate the model in order to understand the evolution of semipublic information precision  $\hat{\beta}_n$ . The model's structural parameters are  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and r. For ease of reference, we group all primitive parameter definitions and values in Table 5.1. We avoid extreme values of r even tough results don't change dramatically in these cases. We comment about the extreme cases r = 0and r = 1 bellow.

# $\hat{\beta}^*$ limit

Substitute the lag of the expression for  $\hat{\lambda}_n$  at (1-13) in (1-12) to obtain a recursive expression for  $\hat{\beta}_n$ 

$$\hat{\beta}_{n} = \frac{\left[\beta\left(\alpha + \hat{\beta}_{n-1}\right)\right]^{2}\hat{\beta}_{n-1}}{\beta\left(\alpha + \hat{\beta}_{n-1}\right)^{2}\hat{\beta}_{n-1} + \left[(\beta - r\alpha)\hat{\beta}_{n-1} + r\alpha\beta\right]^{2}}.$$
(5-4)

If we set  $\hat{\beta}_n = \hat{\beta}_{n-1} = \hat{\beta}^*$ , we obtain

$$\hat{\beta}^* = \frac{\left[\beta\left(\alpha + \hat{\beta}^*\right)\right]^2 \hat{\beta}^*}{\beta\left(\alpha + \hat{\beta}^*\right)^2 \hat{\beta}^* + \left[\left(\beta - r\alpha\right)\hat{\beta}^* + r\alpha\beta\right]^2},$$

which is a root of the third degree equation

$$f(X) \equiv (X)^{3} + c_{1}(X)^{2} + c_{2}X + c_{3}, \qquad (5-5)$$

where

$$c_{1} \equiv \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \left[ 2\beta \left( 1 - r \right) + r^{2} \alpha \right] > 0,$$
  

$$c_{2} \equiv \alpha \left[ \alpha \left( 1 - 2r^{2} \right) - 2\beta \left( 1 - r \right) \right],$$
  

$$c_{3} \equiv -\alpha^{2} \beta \left( 1 - r^{2} \right) < 0.$$

Considering the parameter values of Table 3.1,  $\hat{\beta}_n$  decreases monotonically to  $\hat{\beta}^*$ , the unique positive root of (5-5) when stage *n* increases.

#### Extreme values of r

If r = 1, zero is necessarily one of the roots of f(X) and thus we must define  $\hat{\beta}^*$  as the unique strict positive root of (5-5). For values of r very close to zero, we need an extra condition regarding the exogenous precisions  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and r to guarantee monotonicity. If r = 0, for example, we need  $\alpha \leq \frac{3}{4}\beta$ . To see this, consider (5-5) when r = 0

$$f(X) \equiv (X)^3 + 2\alpha (X)^2 + \alpha (\alpha - 2\beta) X - \alpha^2 \beta.$$
(5-6)

In order to  $\hat{\beta}_n$  converges monotonically to  $\hat{\beta}^*$ , the first derivative of (5-4) must be non-negative on  $\hat{\beta}^*$ 

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\beta}_n}{\partial \hat{\beta}_{n-1}} \bigg|_{\hat{\beta}_{n-1} = \hat{\beta}^*} = \frac{\beta^2 ((\hat{\beta}^*)^2 - \alpha^2)}{\left[ (\alpha + \hat{\beta}^*)^2 + \beta \hat{\beta}^* \right]^2} \ge 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}^* \ge \alpha.$$

If we substitute  $\hat{\beta}^* = \alpha$  in the third degree equation (5-6), we obtain the result

$$f(\alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{3}{4}\beta.$$

# 5.2 Appendix of Chapter 2

# 5.2.1 Proofs of Results

#### Proof 19 (Proof of Result 12: ERPT under Complete Information)

If information is complete, the external price of a given exporter is

$$p_f^* = (1 - r^*) \,\theta^* + r^* P_F^*.$$

Because firms are identical, all set the same price. As a result,

$$P_F^* = (1 - r^*) \,\theta^* + r^* P_F^* \Rightarrow P_F^* = \theta^*,$$

and the price of an imported good is  $p_f = P_F = e + \theta^*$ . Now, consider the prices of domestic firms. Under complete information, all final goods' firms set the same price

$$p_h = (1-r)\theta + r\left[e + \theta^*\right].$$

Setting r = 1 establishes the result

$$p_h = P_F = e + \theta^*.$$

**Proof 20 (Proof of Result 13: Incomplete ERPT (Morris and Shin (2002)))** Under dispersed information, the optimal response for an exporter is

$$p_f^* = E\left[ (1 - r^*) \,\theta^* + r^* P_F^* \mid \Im_f^* \right].$$

After iterating and writing  $E[\theta^* | \mathfrak{T}^*]$  for the average expectation of  $\theta^*$  across exporters, we have

$$p_{f}^{*} = (1 - r^{*}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (r^{*})^{k} E\left[E^{k}\left[\theta^{*} \mid \Im^{*}\right] \mid \Im_{f}^{*}\right].$$
(5-7)

Given the signals, it is straightforward to compute the high-order beliefs. The average expectation of  $\theta^*$  across exporters is

$$E\left[\theta^* \mid \Im^*\right] \equiv \int_{f \in [0,1]} E\left[\theta^* \mid \Im^*_f\right] df$$
$$= (1 - \lambda^*) \int_{f \in [0,1]} x_f^* df + \lambda^* \left[\int_{f \in [0,1]} y_f^* df - e\right]$$
$$= (1 - \lambda^*) \theta^* + \lambda^* \left[\theta - e\right].$$

Now, the expected value of the average expectation for a given exporter is

$$\begin{split} E\left[E\left[\theta^*\mid\Im^*\right]\mid\Im^*_f\right] &= E\left[\left(1-\lambda^*\right)\theta^* + \lambda^*\left[\theta-e\right]\mid\Im^*_f\right]\\ &= \left(1-\lambda^*\right)E\left[\theta^*\mid\Im^*_f\right] + \lambda^*\left[E\left[\theta\mid\Im^*_f\right] - e\right]\\ &= \left[1-\lambda^*\left(\frac{1-\left(1-\lambda^*-\eta^*\right)^2}{\lambda^*+\eta^*}\right)\right]x^*_f\\ &+ \lambda^*\left(\frac{1-\left(1-\lambda^*-\eta^*\right)^2}{\lambda^*+\eta^*}\right)\left[y^*_f - e\right]. \end{split}$$

More generally, we have

$$E\left[E^{k}\left[\theta^{*}\mid\Im^{*}\right]\mid\Im_{f}^{*}\right] = \left[1-\lambda^{*}\left(\frac{1-(1-\lambda^{*}-\eta^{*})^{k+1}}{\lambda^{*}+\eta^{*}}\right)\right]x_{f}^{*}$$
$$+\lambda^{*}\left(\frac{1-(1-\lambda^{*}-\eta^{*})^{k+1}}{\lambda^{*}+\eta^{*}}\right)\left[y_{f}^{*}-e\right].$$
(5-8)

If we replace (5-8) in (5-7), we obtain

$$p_f^* = (1 - r^*) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (r^*)^k \left[ 1 - \lambda^* \left( \frac{1 - (1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*)^{k+1}}{\lambda^* + \eta^*} \right) \right] x_f^*$$
$$+ (1 - r^*) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (r^*)^k \lambda^* \left( \frac{1 - (1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*)^{k+1}}{\lambda^* + \eta^*} \right) \left[ y_f^* - e \right]$$
$$= (1 - \delta^*) x_f^* + \delta^* \left[ y_f^* - e \right].$$

where

$$\delta^* \equiv \frac{\lambda^*}{1 - r^* (1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*)} \\ = \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_x^{2*}}{\sigma_{x^*}^2 + \sigma_{y^*}^2 + (1 - r^*) \sigma_e^2}}_{0, 1} \in (0, 1)$$

 $: signal \ effect \ for \ exporters$ 

As a result, import prices are

$$p_f = e + p_f^*$$
  
=  $e + (1 - \delta^*) x_f^* + \delta^* [y_f^* - e]$   
=  $(1 - \delta^*) [x_f^* + e] + \delta^* y_f^*.$ 

Setting  $r^* = 0$  establishes our result.

Proof 21 (Proof of Result 14: ERCP Puzzle) Given Result 13, aggre-

gate imports' prices are

$$P_F \equiv \int_{f \in [0,1]} p_f df$$
  
=  $(1 - \delta^*) \left[ \int_{f \in [0,1]} x_f^* df + e \right] + \delta^* \int_{f \in [0,1]} y_f^* df$   
=  $(1 - \delta^*) \left[ \theta^* + e \right] + \delta^* \theta.$ 

As a result, domestic prices are

$$p_{h} = E \left[ (1-r) \theta + rP_{F} \mid \Im_{h} \right]$$
  
=  $E \left[ (1-r) \theta + r \left[ (1-\delta^{*}) \left[ \theta^{*} + e \right] + \delta^{*} \theta \right] \mid \Im_{h} \right]$   
=  $\left[ 1 - r \left( 1 - \delta^{*} \right) \right] E \left[ \theta \mid \Im_{h} \right] + r \left( 1 - \delta^{*} \right) E \left[ \theta^{*} + e \mid \Im_{h} \right]$   
=  $(1-\delta) x_{h} + \delta \left[ y_{h} + e \right],$ 

where

$$\begin{split} \delta &\equiv \lambda + r \left( 1 - \delta^* \right) \left( 1 - \lambda - \eta \right) \\ &= 1 - \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_y^2 + \left[ 1 - r \left( 1 - \delta^* \right) \right] \sigma_e^2}{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2}}_{\text{J}} \end{split}$$

: signal effect for domestic firms

Setting r = 1 establishes our result.

**Proof 22 (Proof of Result 15: Macroeconomic Stability and ERPT)** Given Result 14, the first derivative of  $\delta$  with respect to  $\sigma_e^2$  is

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \sigma_e^2} = \frac{r\left(1 - \delta^*\right)\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2\right) - r\frac{\partial \delta^*}{\partial \sigma_e^2}\sigma_e^2\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right) - \sigma_x^2}{\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)^2},$$

where

$$\frac{\partial \delta^*}{\partial \sigma_e^2} = -\frac{(1-r^*)\,\sigma_{x^*}^2}{\left[\sigma_{x^*}^2 + \sigma_{y^*}^2 + (1-r^*)\,\sigma_e^2\right]^2}.$$

If we set  $\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_{x^*}^2$ ,  $\sigma_y^2 = \sigma_{y^*}^2$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \sigma_e^2} > 0 \Leftrightarrow r \left\{ \left[ \sigma_y^2 + (1 - r^*) \, \sigma_e^2 \right] \left( 1 + \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\sigma_x^2} \right) + \frac{(1 - r^*) \, \sigma_e^2 \left( \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2 \right)}{\left[ \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + (1 - r^*) \, \sigma_e^2 \right]} \right\} > 1.$$

If we also set r = 1,  $r^* = 0$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \sigma_e^2} = \frac{\left(\sigma_y^2 - \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2\right)}{\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)^3} > 0 \Leftrightarrow \sigma_e^2 > \sigma_x^2 - \sigma_y^2.$$

If instead we have  $r = r^*$ 

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \sigma_e^2} = \frac{1}{\left(\Delta\right)^2 \left(\Lambda\right)^2} \left[ 2r\left(1-r\right) \sigma_x^2 \sigma_e^2 \left(\Delta - \frac{r}{2} \sigma_e^2\right) + \left(r \sigma_y^2 - \sigma_x^2\right) \left(\Lambda\right)^2 \right],$$

where

$$\begin{split} \Delta &\equiv \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2, \\ \Lambda &\equiv \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + (1-r) \, \sigma_e^2. \end{split}$$

Note that if

$$r > \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_y^2} \in (0,1) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \sigma_e^2} > 0.$$

Note also that

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial r \partial \sigma_e^2} &= \frac{(1 - \delta^*) \left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2\right) - \frac{\partial \delta^*}{\partial \sigma_e^2} \sigma_e^2 \left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)}{\left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)^2} > 0, \\ \frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial r^* \partial \sigma_e^2} &= \frac{r \sigma_{x^*}^2 \sigma_e^2}{\left[\sigma_{x^*}^2 + \sigma_{y^*}^2 + (1 - r^*) \sigma_e^2\right]^2 \left(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)^2} \\ &\times \left[\frac{(1 - r^*) \sigma_e^4 - \left[\sigma_{x^*}^2 + \sigma_{y^*}^2\right] \left(2\sigma_x^2 + 2\sigma_y^2 + \sigma_e^2\right)}{\left[\sigma_{x^*}^2 + \sigma_{y^*}^2 + (1 - r^*) \sigma_e^2\right]}\right]. \end{split}$$

# 5.2.2 Production Chains

For n = 1, domestic prices are

$$p_{H,1} = E \left[\theta \mid \Im_{1}\right] = (1 - \lambda) x_{1} + \lambda \left[y_{1} + e\right],$$
  
$$p_{F,1}^{*} = E \left[\theta^{*} \mid \Im_{1}^{*}\right] = (1 - \lambda^{*}) x_{1}^{*} + \lambda^{*} \left[y_{1}^{*} - e\right].$$

Then, foreign prices are

$$p_{H,1}^* = p_{H,1} - e = (1 - \lambda) [x_1 - e] + \lambda y_1,$$
  
$$p_{F,1} = e + p_{F,1}^* = (1 - \lambda^*) [x_1^* + e] + \lambda^* y_1^*.$$

If we aggregate:

$$P_{H,1} \equiv \frac{1}{m} \int_0^m p_{H,1}(j) \, dj = (1-\lambda) \,\theta + \lambda \left[\theta^* + e\right],$$
$$P_{F,1}^* \equiv \frac{1}{1-m} \int_m^1 p_{F,1}^*(j) \, dj = (1-\lambda^*) \,\theta^* + \lambda^* \left[\theta - e\right],$$

and then

$$P_{H,1}^* \equiv P_{H,1} - e = (1 - \lambda) [\theta - e] + \lambda \theta^*,$$
  
$$P_{F,1} \equiv e + P_{F,1}^* = (1 - \lambda^*) [\theta^* + e] + \lambda^* \theta.$$

The countries price levels are

$$P_{1} \equiv (1 - \chi) P_{H,1} + \chi P_{F,1}$$
  
=  $(1 - \chi) [(1 - \lambda) \theta + \lambda [\theta^{*} + e]] + \chi [(1 - \lambda^{*}) [\theta^{*} + e] + \lambda^{*} \theta]$   
=  $(1 - \delta_{1}) \theta + \delta_{1} [\theta^{*} + e],$   
$$P_{1}^{*} \equiv (1 - \chi^{*}) P_{F,1}^{*} + \chi^{*} P_{H,1}^{*}$$
  
=  $(1 - \chi^{*}) [(1 - \lambda^{*}) \theta^{*} + \lambda^{*} [\theta - e]] + \chi^{*} [(1 - \lambda) [\theta - e] + \lambda \theta^{*}]$   
=  $(1 - \delta_{1}^{*}) \theta^{*} + \delta_{1}^{*} [\theta - e],$ 

where

$$\delta_1 \equiv (1 - \chi) \lambda + \chi (1 - \lambda^*),$$
  
$$\delta_1^* \equiv (1 - \chi^*) \lambda^* + \chi^* (1 - \lambda).$$

Now, consider n = 2:

$$p_{H,2} = E [(1-r)\theta + rP_1 | \Im_2]$$
  
=  $E [(1-r)\theta + r [(1-\delta_1)\theta + \delta_1 [\theta^* + e]] | \Im_2]$   
=  $(1-r\delta_1) E [\theta | \Im_2] + r\delta_1 E [\theta^* + e | \Im_2]$   
=  $(1-\lambda_2) x_2 + \lambda_2 [y_2 + e],$   
 $p_{F,2}^* = E [(1-r^*)\theta^* + r^*P_1^* | \Im_2^*]$   
=  $E [(1-r^*)\theta^* + r^* [(1-\delta_1^*)\theta^* + \delta_1^* [\theta - e]] | \Im_2^*]$   
=  $(1-r^*\delta_1^*) E [\theta^* | \Im_2^*] + r^*\delta_1^* E [\theta - e | \Im_2^*]$   
=  $(1-\lambda_2^*) x_2^* + \lambda_2^* [y_2^* - e].$ 

Foreign prices are

$$p_{H,2}^* = p_{H,2} - e = (1 - \lambda_2) [x_2 - e] + \lambda_2 y_2,$$
  
$$p_{F,2} = e + p_{F,2}^* = (1 - \lambda_2^*) [x_2^* + e] + \lambda_2^* y_2^*,$$

$$\lambda_2 \equiv (1 - r\delta_1) \lambda + r\delta_1 (1 - \eta),$$
  
$$\lambda_2^* \equiv (1 - r^*\delta_1^*) \lambda^* + r^*\delta_1^* (1 - \eta^*).$$

If we aggregate

$$P_{H,2} \equiv \frac{1}{m} \int_0^m p_{H,2}(j) \, dj = (1 - \lambda_2) \, \theta + \lambda_2 \left[ \theta^* + e \right],$$
$$P_{F,2}^* \equiv \frac{1}{1 - m} \int_m^1 p_{F,2}^*(j) \, dj = (1 - \lambda_2^*) \, \theta^* + \lambda_2^* \left[ \theta - e \right],$$

and then

$$P_{H,2}^* \equiv P_{H,2} - e = (1 - \lambda_2) \left[ \theta - e \right] + \lambda_2 \theta^*,$$
  
$$P_{F,2} \equiv e + P_{F,2}^* = (1 - \lambda_2^*) \left[ \theta^* + e \right] + \lambda_2^* \theta.$$

The countries price levels are

$$P_{2} \equiv (1 - \chi) P_{H,2} + \chi P_{F,2}$$
  
=  $(1 - \chi) [(1 - \lambda_{2}) \theta + \lambda_{2} [\theta^{*} + e]] + \chi [(1 - \lambda_{2}^{*}) [\theta^{*} + e] + \lambda_{2}^{*} \theta]$   
=  $(1 - \delta_{2}) \theta + \delta_{2} [\theta^{*} + e],$   
$$P_{2}^{*} \equiv (1 - \chi^{*}) P_{F,2}^{*} + \chi^{*} P_{H,2}^{*}$$
  
=  $(1 - \chi^{*}) [(1 - \lambda_{2}^{*}) \theta^{*} + \lambda_{2}^{*} [\theta - e]] + \chi^{*} [(1 - \lambda_{2}) [\theta - e] + \lambda_{2} \theta^{*}]$   
=  $(1 - \delta_{2}^{*}) \theta^{*} + \delta_{2}^{*} [\theta - e],$ 

where

$$\delta_2 \equiv (1 - \chi) \lambda_2 + \chi \left(1 - \lambda_2^*\right),$$
  
$$\delta_2^* \equiv (1 - \chi^*) \lambda_2^* + \chi^* \left(1 - \lambda_2\right).$$

For a generic  $n \ge 1$ :

$$p_{H,n} = (1 - \lambda_n) x_n + \lambda_n [y_n + e],$$
  

$$p_{F,n}^* = (1 - \lambda_n^*) x_n^* + \lambda_n^* [y_n^* - e],$$
  

$$p_{H,n}^* = (1 - \lambda_n) [x_n - e] + \lambda_n y_n,$$
  

$$p_{F,n} = (1 - \lambda_n^*) [x_n^* + e] + \lambda_n^* y_n^*,$$

$$\lambda_n \equiv \lambda + r \left(1 - \lambda - \eta\right) \delta_{n-1}, \ \lambda_1 = \lambda,$$
  
$$\lambda_n^* \equiv \lambda^* + r^* \left(1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*\right) \delta_{n-1}^*, \ \lambda_1^* = \lambda,$$

and

$$\delta_n \equiv (1 - \chi) \lambda_n + \chi (1 - \lambda_n^*),$$
  
$$\delta_n^* \equiv (1 - \chi^*) \lambda_n^* + \chi^* (1 - \lambda_n).$$

If we aggregate

$$P_{H,n} = (1 - \lambda_n) \theta + \lambda_n [\theta^* + e],$$
  

$$P_{F,n}^* = (1 - \lambda_n^*) \theta^* + \lambda_n^* [\theta - e],$$
  

$$P_{H,n}^* = (1 - \lambda_n) [\theta - e] + \lambda_n \theta^*,$$
  

$$P_{F,n} = (1 - \lambda_n^*) [\theta^* + e] + \lambda_n^* \theta,$$

which yields

$$P_n \equiv (1 - \delta_n) \theta + \delta_n \left[ \theta^* + e \right],$$
$$P_n^* \equiv (1 - \delta_n^*) \theta^* + \delta_n^* \left[ \theta - e \right].$$

We can obtain recursive expressions for  $(\lambda_n,\lambda_n^*)$ 

$$\lambda_n \equiv \lambda + r \left(1 - \lambda - \eta\right) \delta_{n-1}$$
  
=  $\lambda + r \left(1 - \lambda - \eta\right) \left[ (1 - \chi) \lambda_{n-1} + \chi \left(1 - \lambda_{n-1}^*\right) \right],$   
$$\lambda_n^* \equiv \lambda^* + r^* \left(1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*\right) \delta_{n-1}^*$$
  
=  $\lambda^* + r^* \left(1 - \lambda^* - \eta^*\right) \left[ (1 - \chi^*) \lambda_{n-1}^* + \chi^* \left(1 - \lambda_{n-1}\right) \right]$ 

Write the weights in matrix format

$$\Delta_n = \Delta + A\Lambda_n,$$
  
$$\Lambda_n = \Lambda + B\Delta_{n-1},$$

$$\Delta_{n} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{n} \\ \delta_{n}^{*} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda_{n} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{n} \\ \lambda_{n}^{*} \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\Delta \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \chi \\ \chi^{*} \end{bmatrix} \neq \Delta_{1} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{1} \\ \delta_{1}^{*} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ \lambda^{*} \end{bmatrix} = \Lambda_{1},$$
$$A \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \chi & -\chi \\ -\chi^{*} & 1 - \chi^{*} \end{bmatrix}, \dots B \equiv \begin{bmatrix} r (1 - \lambda - \eta) & 0 \\ 0 & r^{*} (1 - \lambda^{*} - \eta^{*}) \end{bmatrix}.$$

If we combine the two equations

$$\Delta_n = \Delta + A \left[ \Lambda + B \Delta_{n-1} \right]$$
$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} C^j \Delta_1,$$

where

$$\Delta_1 \equiv \Delta + A\Lambda$$
$$C \equiv AB.$$

In order to solve the matricial difference equation, we must obtain the inverse of I - C and calculate the powers of C. Under our simplifying assumptions  $(r = r^*, \sigma_x^2 = \sigma_{x^*}^2, \sigma_y^2 = \sigma_{y^*}^2)$ , the weights on e are  $\lambda = \lambda$  and  $\eta = \eta^*$ . As a result

$$C = \tilde{r} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \chi & -\chi \\ -\chi^* & 1 - \chi^* \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\tilde{r} \equiv r (1 - \lambda - \eta)$ .

We can show that matrix I - C is invertible. Just note that

$$|I - C| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \tilde{r} (1 - \chi) & \tilde{r}\chi \\ \tilde{r}\chi^* & 1 - \tilde{r} (1 - \chi^*) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

if and only if

$$(1 - \tilde{r}) [1 - \tilde{r} (1 - \chi - \chi^*)] = 0.$$

Thus, matrix I - C is invertible as long as  $\tilde{r} \neq \{1, (1 - \chi - \chi^*)^{-1}\}$ . This condition is not restrictive because  $\tilde{r} \in (0, 1)$ . In this case

$$(I-C)^{-1} = \frac{1}{(1-\tilde{r})\left[1-\tilde{r}\left(1-\chi-\chi^*\right)\right]} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1-\tilde{r}\left(1-\chi^*\right) & -\tilde{r}\chi \\ -\tilde{r}\chi^* & 1-\tilde{r}\left(1-\chi\right) \end{array} \right].$$

We must also calculate the powers of C. The eigenvalue  $\phi$  is such that

$$\begin{vmatrix} \tilde{r}(1-\chi) - \phi & -\tilde{r}\chi \\ -\tilde{r}\chi^* & \tilde{r}(1-\chi^*) - \phi \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

or

$$[\tilde{r}(1 - \chi - \chi^*) - \phi] [\tilde{r} - \phi] = 0.$$

As a result, we obtain

$$\phi = \left\{ \tilde{r}, \tilde{r} \left( 1 - \chi - \chi^* \right) \right\}.$$

The eigenvectors  $\{v\}$  are

$$\tilde{r} \begin{bmatrix} 1-\chi & -\chi \\ -\chi^* & 1-\chi^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} \\ v_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{r} \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} \\ v_{21} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\tilde{r} \begin{bmatrix} 1-\chi & -\chi \\ -\chi^* & 1-\chi^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{12} \\ v_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{r} (1-\chi-\chi^*) \begin{bmatrix} v_{12} \\ v_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

or

$$v_{21} = -v_{11},$$
  
 $v_{22} = \frac{\chi^*}{\chi} v_{12}.$ 

If we set  $v_{11} = v_{12} = 1$ , we can rewrite C as

$$C \equiv TDT^{-1},$$

where

$$T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1\\ -1 & \frac{\chi^*}{\chi} \end{bmatrix}, T^{-1} \equiv \frac{\chi}{\chi + \chi^*} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\chi^*}{\chi} & -1\\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$D \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{r} & 0\\ 0 & \tilde{r} (1 - \chi - \chi^*) \end{bmatrix},$$

and then

$$C^{n} = TD^{n}T^{-1}$$
  
=  $\tilde{r}^{n}\frac{\chi}{\chi + \chi^{*}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\chi^{*}}{\chi} + (1 - \chi - \chi^{*})^{n} & -[1 - (1 - \chi - \chi^{*})^{n}] \\ -\frac{\chi^{*}}{\chi}[1 - (1 - \chi - \chi^{*})^{n}] & 1 + \frac{\chi^{*}}{\chi}(1 - \chi - \chi^{*})^{n} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Finally, we obtain

$$\Delta_n = (I - C^n) \left( I - C \right)^{-1} \Delta_1.$$

If we ignore home-bias  $(\bar{\chi} = \bar{\chi}^* = 1)$ , then  $\chi + \chi^* = 1$ . We can rewrite  $(I - C)^{-1}$  and  $C^n$  as

$$(I-C)^{-1} = \frac{1}{1-\tilde{r}} \begin{bmatrix} 1-\tilde{r}\chi & -\tilde{r}\chi \\ -\tilde{r}(1-\chi) & 1-\tilde{r}(1-\chi) \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$C^{n} = \tilde{r}^{n} \begin{bmatrix} (1-\chi) & -\chi \\ -(1-\chi) & \chi \end{bmatrix}.$$

After tedious calculation, we obtain

$$\delta_{n} = \chi + (\chi^{*} - \chi) \left(\frac{1 - \tilde{r}^{n}}{1 - \tilde{r}}\right) \lambda$$

$$< \delta_{n-1} \Longleftrightarrow \chi^{*} < \chi,$$

$$\delta_{n}^{*} = \chi^{*} - (\chi^{*} - \chi) \left(\frac{1 - \tilde{r}^{n}}{1 - \tilde{r}}\right) \lambda$$

$$< \delta_{n-1}^{*} \Longleftrightarrow \chi^{*} > \chi,$$

$$\lambda_{n} \equiv \lambda + \tilde{r} \delta_{n-1}$$

$$< \lambda_{n-1} \Leftrightarrow \delta_{n-1} < \delta_{n-2} \Leftrightarrow \chi^{*} < \chi,$$

$$\lambda_{n}^{*} \equiv \lambda + \tilde{r} \delta_{n-1}^{*}$$

$$< \lambda_{n-1}^{*} \Leftrightarrow \delta_{n-1}^{*} < \delta_{n-2}^{*} \Leftrightarrow \chi^{*} > \chi.$$

# 5.3 Appendix of Chapter 3

**Proof 23 (Proof of expression (3-21): Equilibrium Aggregate Price Level)** *First, we replace (3-1) in (3-7) to obtain:* 

$$P_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{t-j}} E\left[rP_{t} + (1-r)\theta_{t} \mid \Im_{t-j}(z)\right] dz$$
  
=  $r\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{t-j}} E\left[P_{t} \mid \Im_{t-j}(z)\right] dz + (1-r)\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{t-j}} E\left[\theta_{t} \mid \Im_{t-j}(z)\right] dz.$ 

From the definition of the average  $1^{st}$  order belief in (3-8):

$$P_t = r\bar{E}\left[P_t\right] + (1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right].$$

If we iterate one time, we obtain:

$$\begin{split} P_t &= r\bar{E}\left[r\bar{E}\left[P_t\right] + (1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right]\right] + (1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right] \\ &= r^2\bar{E}\left[\bar{E}\left[P_t\right]\right] + r\,(1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right]\right] + (1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right] \\ &= r^2\bar{E}^2\left[P_t\right] + r\,(1-r)\,\bar{E}^2\left[\theta_t\right] + (1-r)\,\bar{E}\left[\theta_t\right]. \end{split}$$

If we iterate N times:

$$P_{t} = r^{N} \bar{E}^{N} [P_{t}] + (1 - r) \sum_{k=1}^{N} r^{k-1} \bar{E}^{k} [\theta_{t}]$$

Taking the limit as  $N \to \infty$ , we obtain expression (3-9):

$$P_t = (1-r) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} r^{k-1} \bar{E}^k \left[\theta_t\right],$$

which proves the result.

**Proof 24 (Obtaining the Expectations)**  $E[\theta_{t-m} | \Im_{t-j}(z)]$  : First, we calculate the distribution of the fundamental  $\theta_{t-j}$  given that the firm updated its information set at period t - j. We can compute  $f(\theta_{t-j} | \Theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j})$  as

$$f(\theta_{t-j} \mid \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j}) = \frac{f(\theta_{t-j}, \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j})}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta_{t-j}, \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j}) d\theta_{t-j}}$$
  
=  $\frac{f(\theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j} \mid \theta_{t-j}) f(\theta_{t-j})}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta_{t-j}, \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j}) d\theta_{t-j}}$   
=  $\frac{f(\theta_{t-j-1} \mid \theta_{t-j}) f(x_{t-j} \mid \theta_{t-j}) f(\theta_{t-j})}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta_{t-j}, \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j}) d\theta_{t-j}}$ 

where the last equality holds due to the independence of  $\xi_t(z)$  and  $\epsilon_{t-j}$ . As

$$x_{t-j}(z) = \theta_{t-j} + \xi_{t-j}(z),$$
$$\theta_{t-j-1} = \theta_{t-j} - \epsilon_{t-j},$$

where  $\xi_t(z) \sim N(0, \beta^{-1})$  and  $\epsilon_{t-j} \sim N(0, \alpha^{-1})$ , we have that  $f(x_{t-j} | \theta_{t-j}) = N(\theta_{t-j}, \beta^{-1})$  and  $f(\theta_{t-j-1} | \theta_{t-j}) = N(\theta_{t-j}, \alpha^{-1})$ . If the dynamics of  $\theta_t$  was

$$\theta_{t-j-1} = \rho \theta_{t-j} - \epsilon_{t-j},$$

we would have

$$E\left[\theta_{t-j}\right] = E\left[\theta_t\right] = \frac{E\left[\epsilon_t\right]}{1-\rho} = 0,$$
$$Var\left[\theta_{t-j}\right] = Var\left[\theta_t\right] = \frac{Var\left[\epsilon_t\right]}{1-\rho^2} = \frac{\alpha^{-1}}{1-\rho^2}.$$

Therefore, the distribution of  $\theta_{t-j}$  would be given by  $f(\theta_{t-j}) = N(0, \Psi^{-1})$ where  $\Psi = \alpha (1 - \rho^2)$ . Thus, we would obtain

$$\begin{split} f\left(\theta_{t-j},\theta_{t-j-1},x_{t-j}\right) &= c \times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{\left(x_{t-j}\left(z\right)-\theta_{t-j}\right)^{2}}{\beta^{-1}} + \frac{\left(\theta_{t-j-1}-\rho^{-1}\theta_{t-j}\right)^{2}}{\left(\rho^{2}\alpha\right)^{-1}} + \frac{\theta_{t-j}^{2}}{\Psi^{-1}}\right]\right\} \\ &= c \times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\left(\beta + \alpha + \Psi\right)\theta_{t-j}^{2} - 2\left(\beta x_{t-j}\left(z\right) + \alpha\rho\theta_{t-j-1}\right)\theta_{t-j}\right]\right\} \\ &\times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\beta x_{t-j}^{2}\left(z\right) + \alpha\rho^{2}\theta_{t-j-1}^{2}\right]\right\} \\ &= c \times d \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma\Sigma}} \times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\left(\theta_{t-j}-\mu\right)^{2}}{\Sigma^{2}}\right\}, \end{split}$$

where

$$c = (2\pi)^{-3/2} (\beta \alpha \Psi)^{1/2}, \qquad d = \sqrt{2\pi\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left[-\mu^2 \Sigma^{-2} + \beta x_{t-j}^2 (z) + \alpha \rho^2 \theta_{t-j-1}^2\right]\right\},$$
  

$$\mu = \left[\Delta x_{t-j} (z) + (1 - \Delta) z_{t-j-1}\right], \qquad \Delta = \beta (\beta + \alpha + \Psi)^{-1},$$
  

$$z_{t-j-1} = \Lambda \rho \theta_{t-j-1}, \qquad \Lambda = \alpha (\beta + \alpha)^{-1}.$$
  

$$\Sigma^2 = (\beta + \alpha + \Psi)^{-1},$$

As  $\rho \to 1$ , we have  $\Psi \to 0$ ,  $\Delta \to \delta$ , and  $\Sigma^2 \to (\beta + \alpha)^{-1}$ . Thus  $f(\theta_{t-j} | \theta_{t-j-1}, x_{t-j}) = N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  where  $\mu = [\delta x_{t-j}(z) + (1-\delta) \theta_{t-j-1}]$ , and  $\sigma^2 = (\beta + \alpha)^{-1}$ .

**Proof 25 (Proof of Lemma 17: Higher Order Beliefs)** In this Appendix we derive the general formula of the k-th order average expectation

$$\bar{E}^{k}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[\kappa_{m,k}\theta_{t-m} + \delta_{m,k}\theta_{t-m-1}\right]$$

with the weights  $(\kappa_{m,k}, \delta_{m,k})$  recursively defined for  $k \geq 1$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{m,k+1} \\ \delta_{m,k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\delta) \\ \delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \end{bmatrix}^k + A_m \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{m,k} \\ \delta_{m,k} \end{bmatrix},$$

where the matrix  $A_m$  is given by

$$A_m \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \left[ (1-\delta) \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] + \delta \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] & 0 \\ \delta \left[ \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] - \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] & \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] \end{bmatrix},$$

and the initial weights are  $(\kappa_{1,k}, \delta_{1,k}) \equiv (1 - \delta, \delta)$ . We start by computing  $\overline{E}^1[\theta_t]$  as

$$\bar{E}^{1}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{j}} E\left[\bar{E}^{0}\left[\theta_{t}\right] \mid \mathfrak{S}_{t-j}\left(z\right)\right] dz$$
$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{j}} E\left[\theta_{t} \mid \mathfrak{S}_{t-j}\left(z\right)\right] dz$$
$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{j}} \left[\left(1-\delta\right) x_{t-j}\left(z\right) + \delta\theta_{t-j-1}\right] dz$$
$$= \lambda \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[\left(1-\delta\right) \theta_{t-j} + \delta\theta_{t-j-1}\right].$$

We can use this result to obtain  $\bar{E}^2\left[\theta_t\right]$  as

$$\bar{E}^{2}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} E\left[\bar{E}^{1}\left[\theta_{t}\right] \mid \mathfrak{S}_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] dz$$
$$= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} E\left[\left(1-\delta\right)\theta_{t-j}+\delta\theta_{t-j-1} \mid \mathfrak{S}_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] dz.$$

We know that

$$E\left[\theta_{t-j} \mid \mathfrak{S}_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] = \begin{cases} (1-\delta) x_{t-m}\left(z\right) + \delta\theta_{t-m-1} & : m \ge j, \\ \theta_{t-j} & : m < j. \end{cases}$$

Thereafter,

$$\begin{split} \bar{E}^{2} \left[\theta_{t}\right] &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left\{ \left(1-\delta\right) E\left[\theta_{t-j} \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] + \delta E\left[\theta_{t-j-1} \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] \right\} dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=m+1}^{m-1} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) \theta_{t-j} + \delta \theta_{t-j-1} \right] dz \\ &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) x_{t-m}\left(z\right) + \delta \theta_{t-m-1} \right] dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) x_{t-m}\left(z\right) + \delta \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \right] dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=m+1}^{m-1} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) \theta_{t-j} + \delta \theta_{t-j-1} \right] dz \\ &= \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) \theta_{t-m} + \delta \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right) \theta_{t-m} + \delta \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \left[ 1-\left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \right] \\ &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t-m} + \left[1-\left(1-\delta\right)^{2}\right] \theta_{t-m-1} \right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[ \left(1-\delta\right)^{2} \theta_{t$$

We can write this expression as

$$\bar{E}^{2}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \lambda \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[\kappa_{j,2}\theta_{t-j} + \delta_{j,2}\theta_{t-j-1}\right],$$

$$\kappa_{j,2} = (1 - \delta^2) \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^j \right] + (1 - \delta)^2 \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^{j+1} \right]$$
  
=  $\left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^{j+1} \right] \kappa_{j,1}^2 + \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^j \right] \left( 1 - \delta_{j,1}^2 \right),$   
$$\delta_{j,2} = \delta^2 \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^j \right] + \left[ 1 - (1 - \delta)^2 \right] \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^{j+1} \right]$$
  
=  $\left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^{j+1} \right] \left( 1 - \kappa_{j,1}^2 \right) + \left[ 1 - (1 - \lambda)^j \right] \delta_{j,1}^2.$ 

Note that

$$\kappa_{j,2} + \delta_{j,2} = \sum_{n=0}^{1} \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^j \right]^n \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{j+1} \right]^{1-n}.$$

We use induction to obtain the general case. Suppose that (3-18) holds for k-1. Then

$$\bar{E}^{k-1}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[\kappa_{m,k-1}\theta_{t-m} + \delta_{m,k-1}\theta_{t-m-1}\right],$$

where

$$\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (1-\lambda)^j (\kappa_{j,k-1} + \delta_{j,k-1}) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right]^{k-1}.$$

As a result,

$$\begin{split} \bar{E}^{k} \left[\theta_{t}\right] &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} E\left[\bar{E}^{k-1}\left[\theta_{t}\right] \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] dz \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} E\left[\lambda \sum_{j=0}^{\infty}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[\kappa_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j}+\delta_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j-1}\right] \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] dz \\ &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left\{\kappa_{j,k-1}E\left[\theta_{t-j}\right] \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] + \delta_{j,k-1}E\left[\theta_{t-j-1}\right] \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] \right\} dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left\{\kappa_{m,k-1}E\left[\theta_{t-m}\right] \mid \Im_{t-m}\left(z\right)\right] + \delta_{m,k-1}\theta_{t-m-1} \right\} dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=m+1}^{m-1}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[\kappa_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j}+\delta_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j-1}\right] dz \\ &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left(\kappa_{j,k-1}+\delta_{j,k-1}\right) \left[\left(1-\delta\right)x_{t-m}\left(z\right)+\delta\theta_{t-m-1}\right] dz \\ &+ \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Lambda_{m}} \sum_{j=m+1}^{m-1}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left[\kappa_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j}+\delta_{j,k-1}\theta_{t-j-1}\right] dz \\ &= \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[\left(1-\delta\right)\theta_{t-m}+\delta\theta_{t-m-1}\right] \sum_{j=0}^{m-1}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{j} \left(\kappa_{j,k-1}+\delta_{j,k-1}\right) \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[\kappa_{m,k-1}\left(1-\delta\right)\theta_{t-m}+\left[\kappa_{m,k-1}\delta+\delta_{m,k-1}\right]\theta_{t-m-1}\right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[1-\left(1-\lambda\right)^{m}\right]^{k-1} \left[\left(1-\delta\right)\theta_{t-m}+\delta\theta_{t-m-1}\right] \\ &+ \lambda^{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\left(1-\lambda\right)^{2m} \left[\kappa_{m,k-1}\left(1-\delta\right)\theta_{t-m}+\left[\kappa_{m,k-1}\delta+\delta_{m,k-1}\right]\theta_{t-m-1}\right] \\ &+$$

We can rewrite the last three lines above as

$$\bar{E}^{k}\left[\theta_{t}\right] = \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(1-\lambda\right)^{m} \left[\kappa_{m,k}\theta_{t-m} + \delta_{m,k}\theta_{t-m-1}\right]$$

where

$$\begin{split} \kappa_{m,k} &\equiv (1-\delta) \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right]^{k-1} + \left[ (1-\delta) \lambda \left( 1-\lambda \right)^m + \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] \kappa_{m,k-1} \\ &= (1-\delta) \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right]^{k-1} \\ &+ \left[ (1-\delta) \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] + \delta \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] \kappa_{m,k-1}, \\ \delta_{m,k} &\equiv \delta \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right]^{k-1} + \delta \lambda \left( 1-\lambda \right)^m \kappa_{m,k-1} + \left[ \lambda \left( 1-\lambda \right)^m + \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] \delta_{m,k-1} \\ &= \delta \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right]^{k-1} \\ &+ \delta \left[ \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] - \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] \kappa_{m,k-1} + \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] \delta_{m,k-1}, \end{split}$$

since

$$\lambda (1 - \lambda)^m = [1 - (1 - \lambda)^{m+1}] - [1 - (1 - \lambda)^m]$$

Rewriting these weights in matrix format, we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{m,k+1} \\ \delta_{m,k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\delta) \\ \delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \end{bmatrix}^k + A_m \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{m,k} \\ \delta_{m,k} \end{bmatrix},$$

where the matrix  $A_m$  is given by

$$A_m \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \left[ (1-\delta) \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] + \delta \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] & 0\\ \delta \left[ \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] - \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^m \right] \right] & \left[ 1 - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right] \end{bmatrix},$$

which is exactly our result.