

Notes, Baumol Chapter 15

- (1)  $y_t = y_{pt} + y_{it}$  total R+D = price-sensitive R+D + price-insensitive R+D
- (2)  $g_{t+1} = S + by_t$  growth rate in other industries = constant + increasing in R+D
- (3)  $P_{t+1} = P_t + v g_{t+1} \cdot P_t$  price of R+D rises in  $g$  - more R+D in  $t$  will lead to higher price of R+D in  $t+1$ .
- (5)  $y_{it+1} = h y_t$  as R+D in  $t$  increases, price insensitive R+D <sub>$t+1$</sub>  just increases proportionally

$y_{pt+1} = a y_t - E \frac{P_{t+1} - P_t}{P_t} a y_t$  price sensitive R+D is also based on a proportionate target but is sensitive to changes in price based on a "bastard intertemporal demand elasticity."

$y_{pt+1} = a y_t - E v g_{t+1} a y_t$  subbing (3) into above

$y_{pt+1} = a y_t - k(s + by_t) a y_t$  let  $E v = k$  and sub (2) into above

$y_{pt+1} = (a - aks) y_t - abk y_t^2$  rearranging

(12)  $y_{t+1} = y_{pt+1} + y_{it+1} = (a + h - aks) y_t - abk y_t^2$  feedback relationship

(13)  $y_{t+1} = y_t \Rightarrow y = 0$  or  $y = \frac{a + h - aks - 1}{abk}$  steady states

(14)  $\frac{dy_{t+1}}{dy_t} = a + h - aks - 2abk y_t$

(15)  $\left. \frac{dy_{t+1}}{dy_t} \right|_{y_t=0} = a + h - aks$

(16)  $\left. \frac{dy_{t+1}}{dy_t} \right|_{y_t = \frac{a+h-aks-1}{abk}} = 2 - a - h + aks$

} stability conditions for equilibria

$a < 1, h < 1$  because they are target shares of R+D

$S$  is small because it's the rate of growth in the absence of R+D

$b < 1$  to keep growth rates in reasonable bounds

assume  $k < 1$  <sup>or not too much more</sup> because plausible  $E < 2$  and plausible  $v$  "small". This assumption seems much less certain to me.

So  $y = 0$ ,  $\left. \frac{dy_{t+1}}{dy_t} \right|_{y=0} = a + h - aks > 0$  but  $< 1$  unless  $h$  is large enough  
 $\Rightarrow$  stable unless  $h$  large

so in steady state, R+D declines to 0 unless there is a good deal of independent, price-insensitive innovation.

At  $y = \frac{a+h-aks-1}{abk}$ ,  $\frac{dy_{t+1}}{dy_t} = 2 - a - h + aks > 0$  and  $> 1$  unless  $h$  large

so for the small  $h$  case, this is a negative, unstable equilibrium and not meaningful

for the large  $h$  case, this could be stable and positive

