

Homework 4

EE412

Consider the following sequential problem. Social planner maximizes the lifetime utility of the representative consumer

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t u(c_t)$$

subject to

$$c_t + i_t = y_t,$$

$$y_t = f(k_t),$$

$$k_{t+1} = (1 - \delta)k_t + i_t,$$

$$k_{t+1} \geq 0, \quad c_t \geq 0 \quad k_0 \text{ given}$$

- 1) Derive the recursive formulation of the same problem.
- 2) Derive F.O.C.
- 3) Obtain the Euler equation
- 4) Given that $\Delta t \simeq dt$, find the curves of $\dot{c}(t) = 0$ and $\dot{k}(t) = 0$ used in the phase diagram. Specify all the additional assumptions you needed. Draw the relevant saddle path for this case.