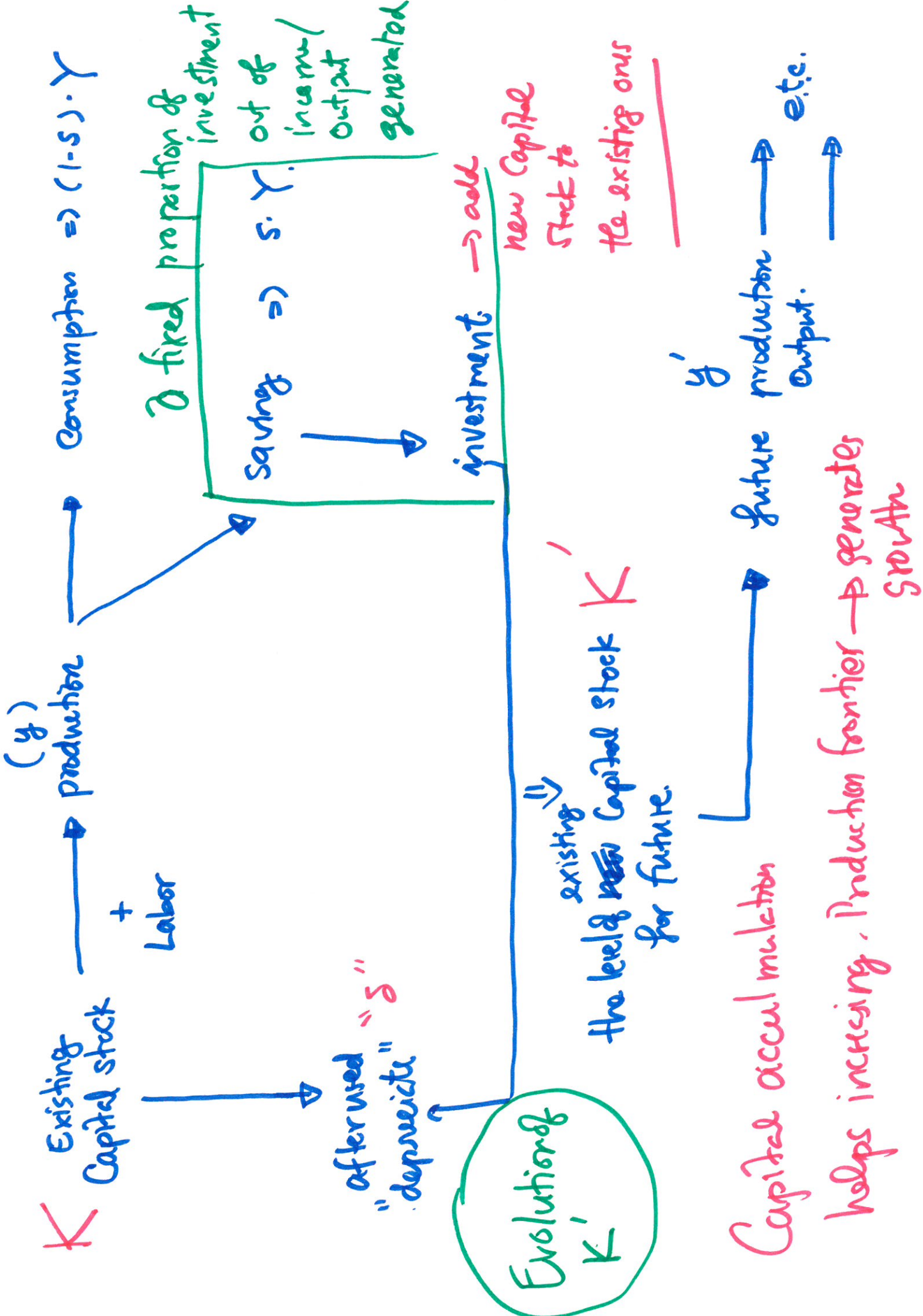


Reading in Williamson

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Chapter 4 (Skip Multithreaded Model)

Chapter 8



One Expressed Interm of per worker!

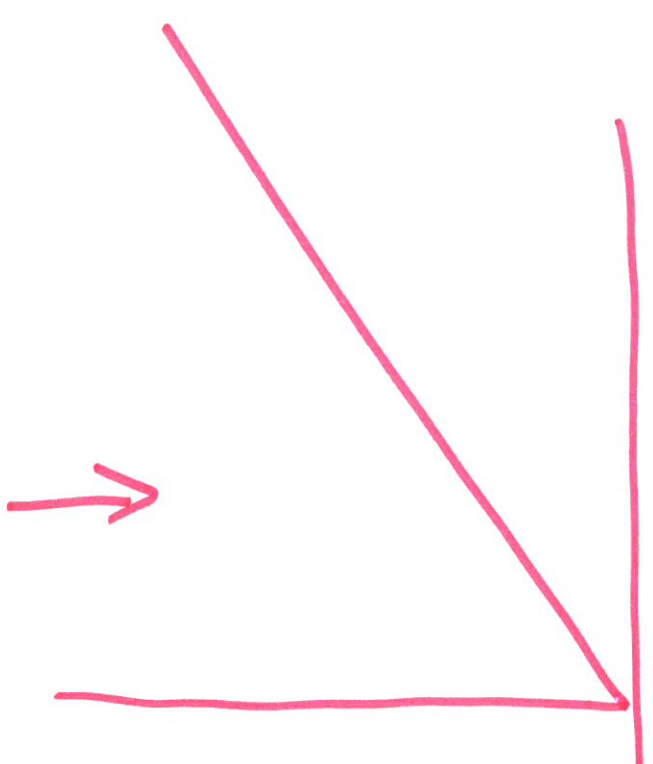
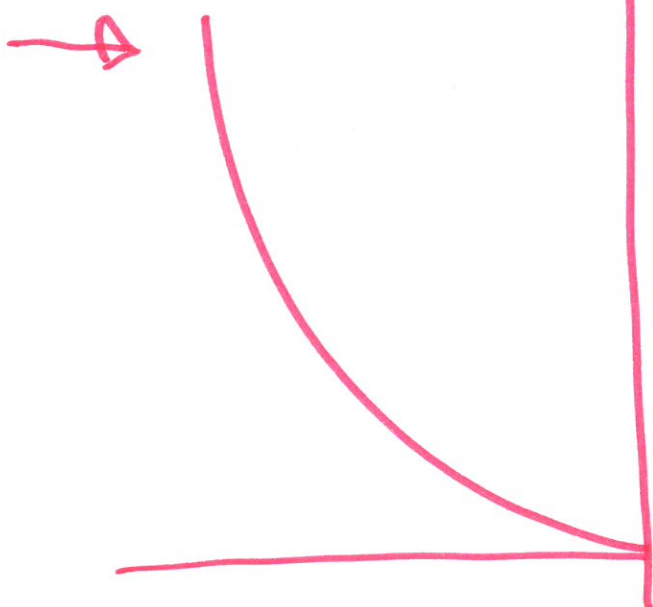
$$k; e, y$$
$$\frac{k}{N} \quad \frac{Y}{A}$$

$$k' = \frac{s \cdot z \cdot f(k)}{(1+n)} + \frac{(1-d) \cdot k}{1+n}$$

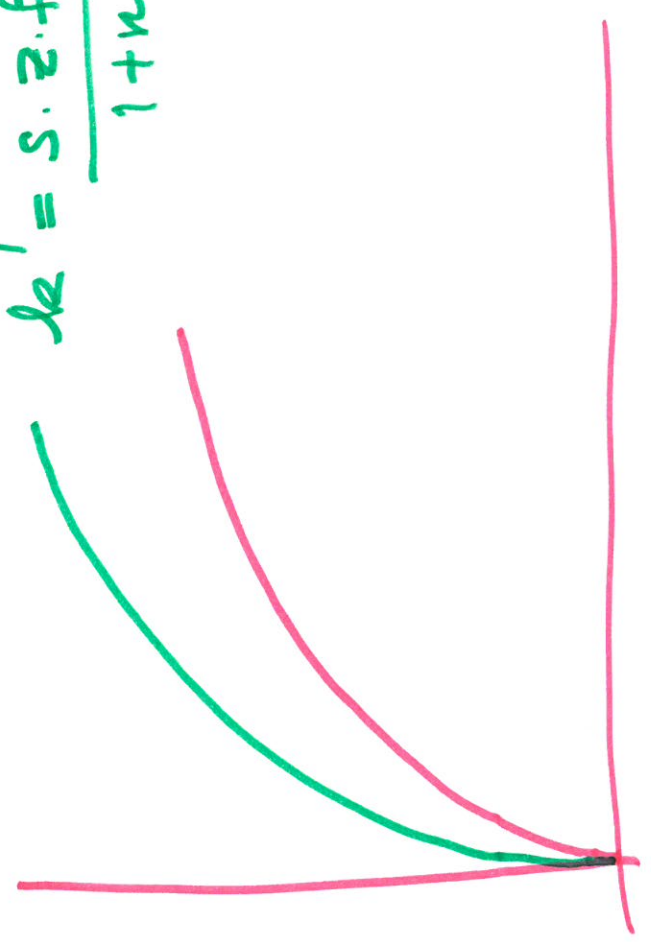
Current $k \rightarrow$ Output \rightarrow Saving = investment
 \rightarrow consumption

\rightarrow future k' for }
tomorrow

\rightarrow Production Capacity in future



$$k' = \frac{s \cdot z \cdot f(k)}{1+n} + \frac{(1-d) \cdot k}{1+n}$$



①

k can grow forever

$k^A \rightarrow k'^A \rightarrow$ future
capacity

②

\rightarrow True that $k' \rightarrow$ Limitation

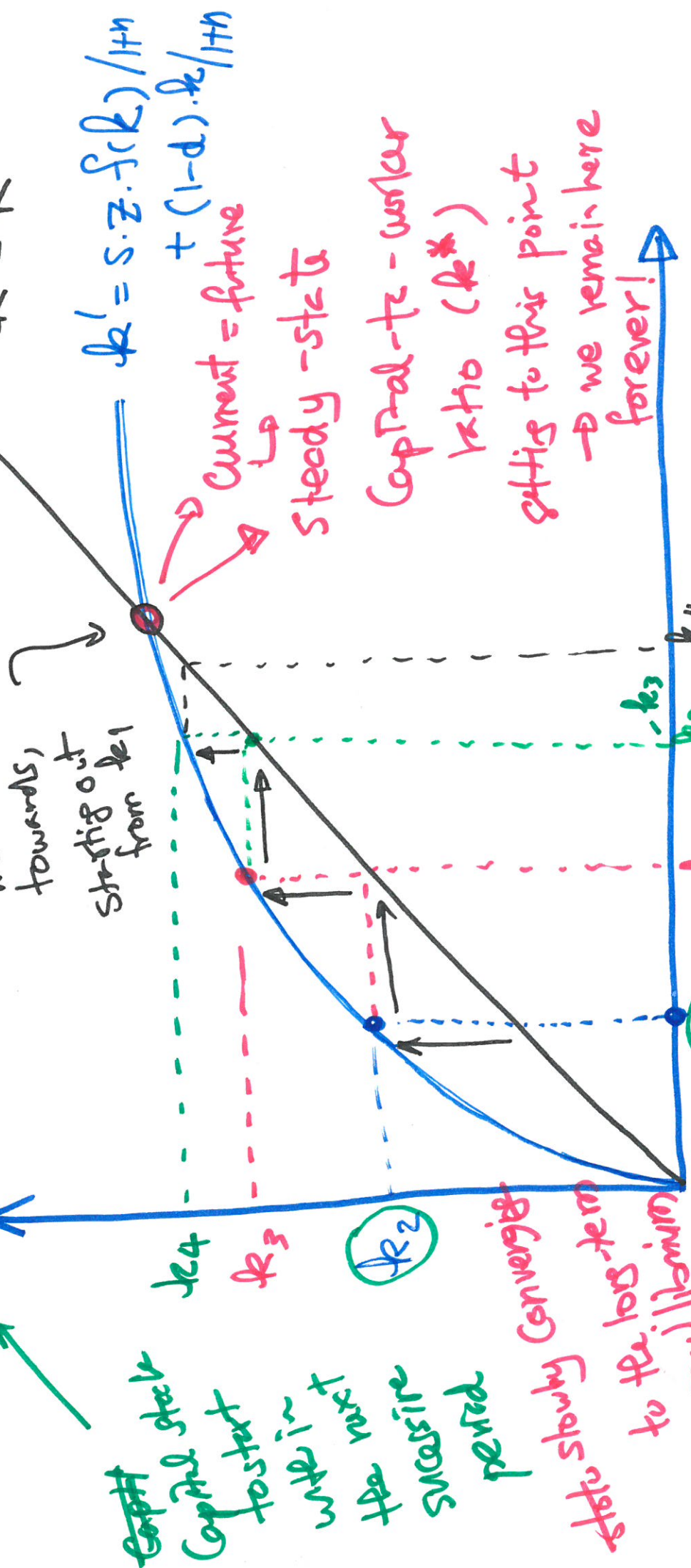
Time path of Capital over time into
the future.

$z f(k)$ increasing
 satisfying the law of
 diminishing marginal
 product

$$k' = \frac{s \cdot z \cdot f(k)}{1+n} + \frac{(1-d) \cdot k}{1+n}$$

future $k (k')$

45° degree line
 $k' = k$



$$k' = \frac{s \cdot z \cdot f(k)}{1+n} + \frac{(1-d) \cdot k}{1+n}$$

Current = future
Steady-state

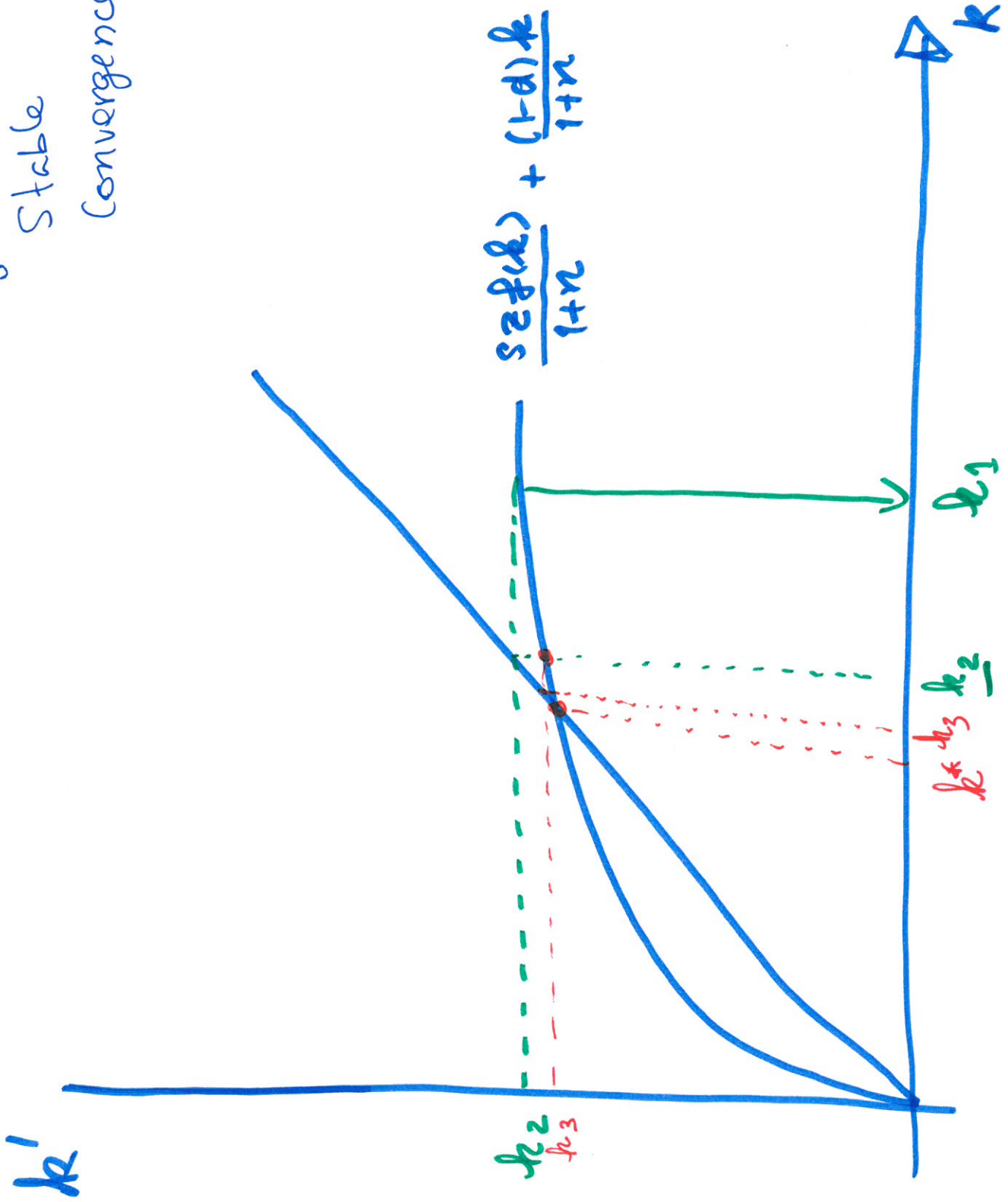
Capital-labour ratio (k^*)

settling to this point
→ we remain here forever!

Current k

Dynamic / Evolution of Capital Stock over time $t=1, t=2, t=3, \dots$

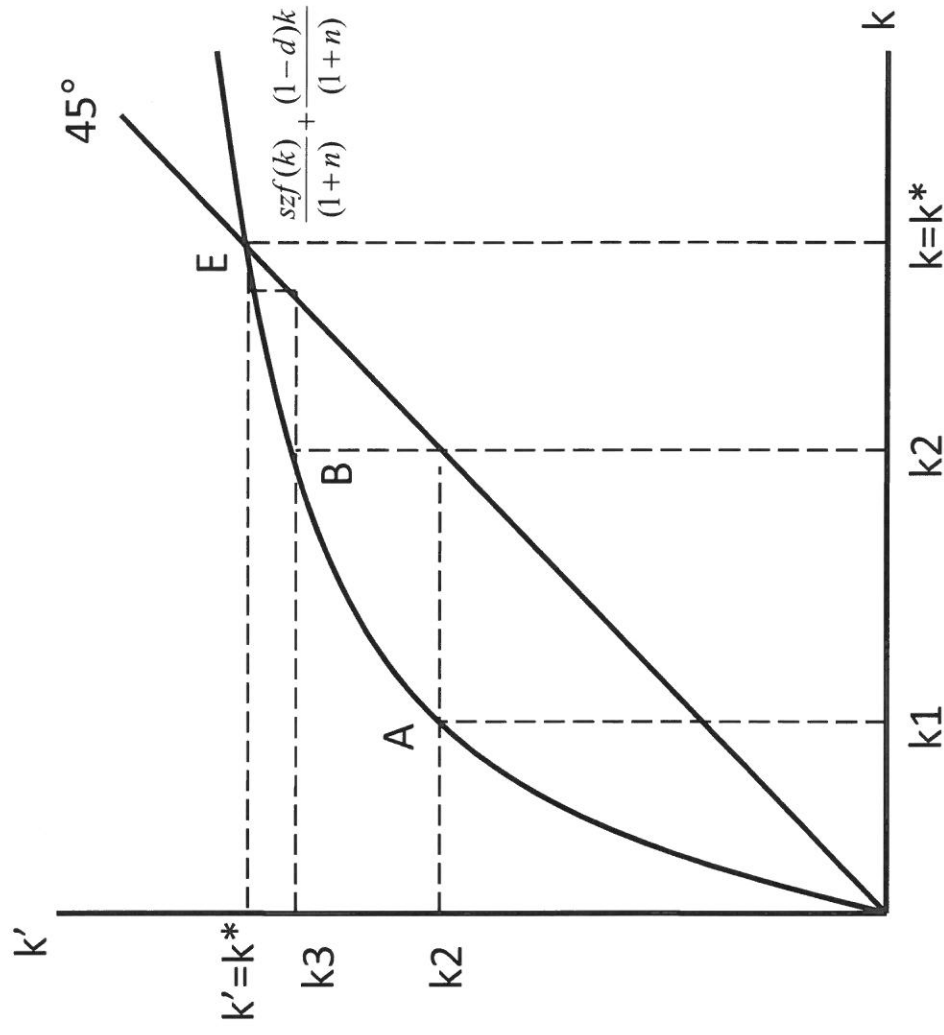
Stable
Convergence



↳ steady-state k^* (Capital-to-Worker ratio)

The steady-state capital per worker

- At A, $k_2 > k_1$; k is growing.
- At B, $k_3 > k_2$; k is growing.
- $k = k^*$; steady-state capital per worker.



Diminishing returns on k

$MP_k \downarrow$
as $k \uparrow$

- At E , $k = k' = k^*$ so that k^* is steady.
- To the left of k^* , $k' > k$ so that k is increasing.
- To the right of k^* , $k' < k$ so that k is decreasing.
- As k is increasing, MP_k is falling so that y is increasing at a decreasing rate.
- Finally, investment (or new capital) is just sufficient to keep up with population growth and depreciation, so that k (and y) is stagnant.

Per head = $\frac{\text{Aggregate}}{\# \text{ worker}} \rightarrow "n"$

Steady-state aggregates

fixed fixed fixed

• With k^* at the steady state, y^* , c^* and $szf(k^*)$ are all at the steady-state.

• No further improvement in output per worker (y).

• Given population growth (n), total factor

productivity (z) and the savings rate (s), the steady-state growth rate is 'n' for aggregate quantities:

- Capital stock (K) and output (Y);
- Consumption (C), savings (S) and investment (I).

K
 Y
 C
 I

"Balanced growth Path"

$$k' = \frac{s \cdot z \cdot f(k) + (1-d)k}{1+n}$$

Analysis of the steady-state

Steady State
Can be solved for

$$k' = k = k^*$$

$$k^* = \frac{szf(k^*)}{(1+n)} + \frac{(1-d)k^*}{(1+n)}$$

Multiplying k^* by $(1+n)$

$$szf(k^*) = (n+d)k^* \Rightarrow$$

investment

Ensuring
Condition for
the steady
state
Capital
Stack.

- Or steady-state savings = steady-state investment.

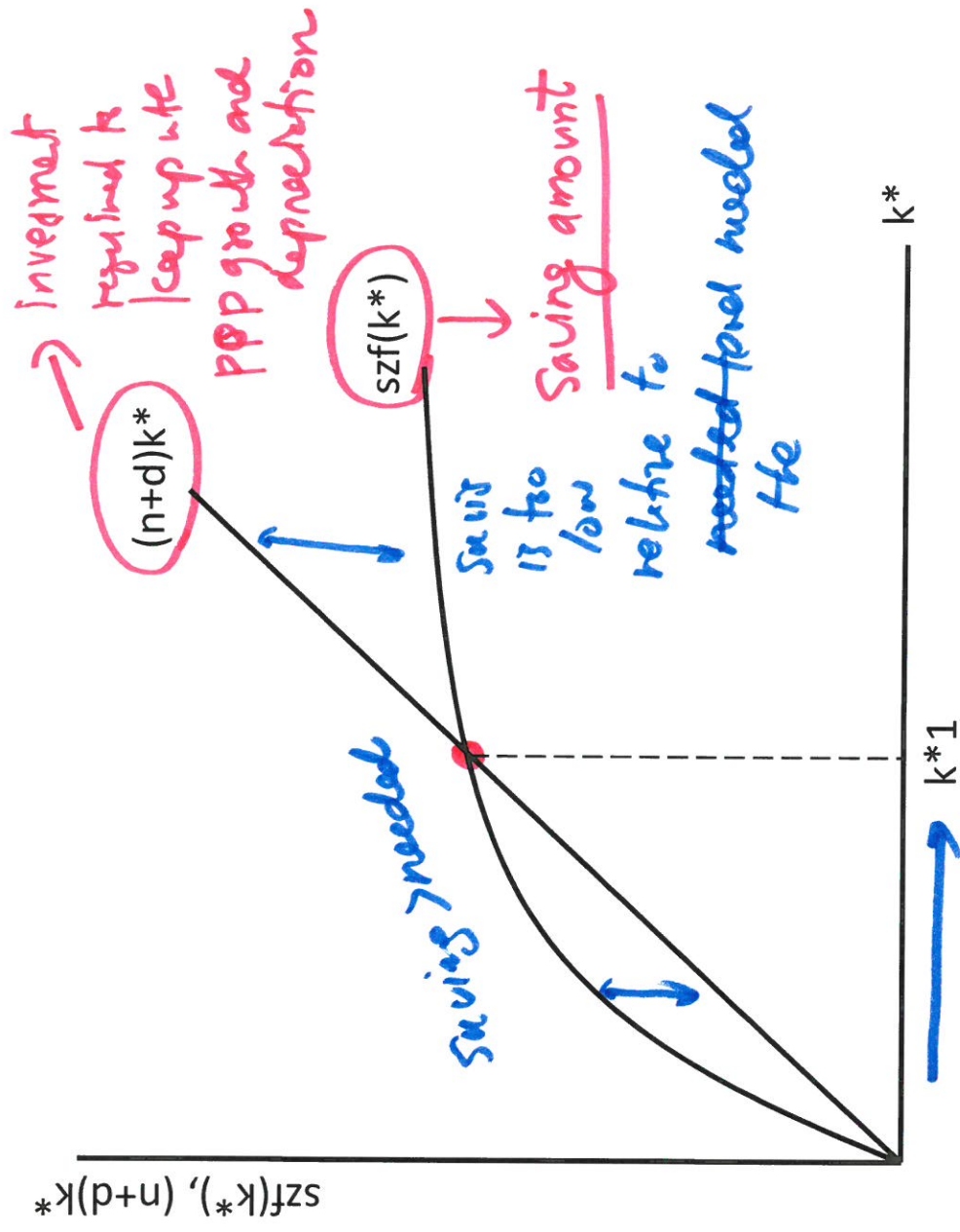
$$szf(k^*) = (n+d)k^*$$

- $szf(k^*)$ = savings per worker;
- $(n+d)k^*$ = investment per worker needed to keep up with population growth and depreciation.
- At k^* , the capital stock is still growing, but just sufficient to equip each worker with the same k and depreciation (so k^* is steady).
- ‘**Capital widening**’: growing K just to keep the steady k and y .

$$s \cdot z \cdot f(k^*) = (n+d) \cdot k^*$$

Determination of steady-state k^*

- $szf(k^*)$ is concave due to $zf(k^*)$.
- $(n+d)k^*$ has the slope = $(n+d)$.



Policy experiments

- Change in saving rate (s)
- Change in population growth (n)
- Change in the level of technology (z)

Effect of an increase in s

- Savings rate may increase due to changes in consumers' propensity or government policy.
- Assume a permanent increase in s :
 - $szf(k^*)$ rotates upwards.
 - Higher steady-state k^* and y^* (on a different 'growth path').
 - Higher growth of K and Y is transitional.
 - Convergence to the same steady-state growth rate of ' n '.

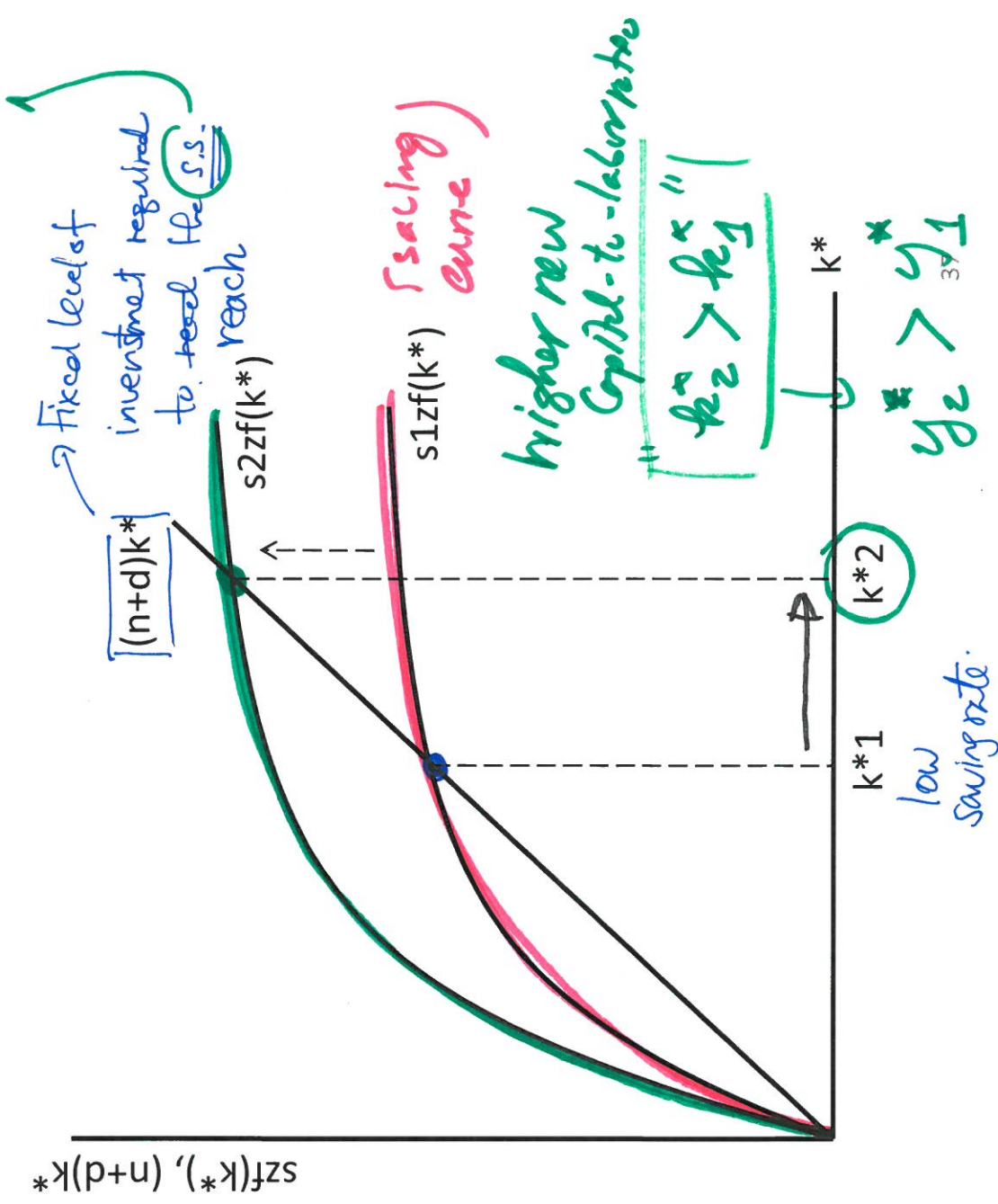
A rise in s raises k^* .

- Higher savings rate results in a higher k^* and y^* .

S_1 : original level of saving rate

S_2 : new higher level of the saving rate! (save more)

Steady state



Pop = 1 ppl.

Low Saving rate $\Rightarrow y^* = 100$

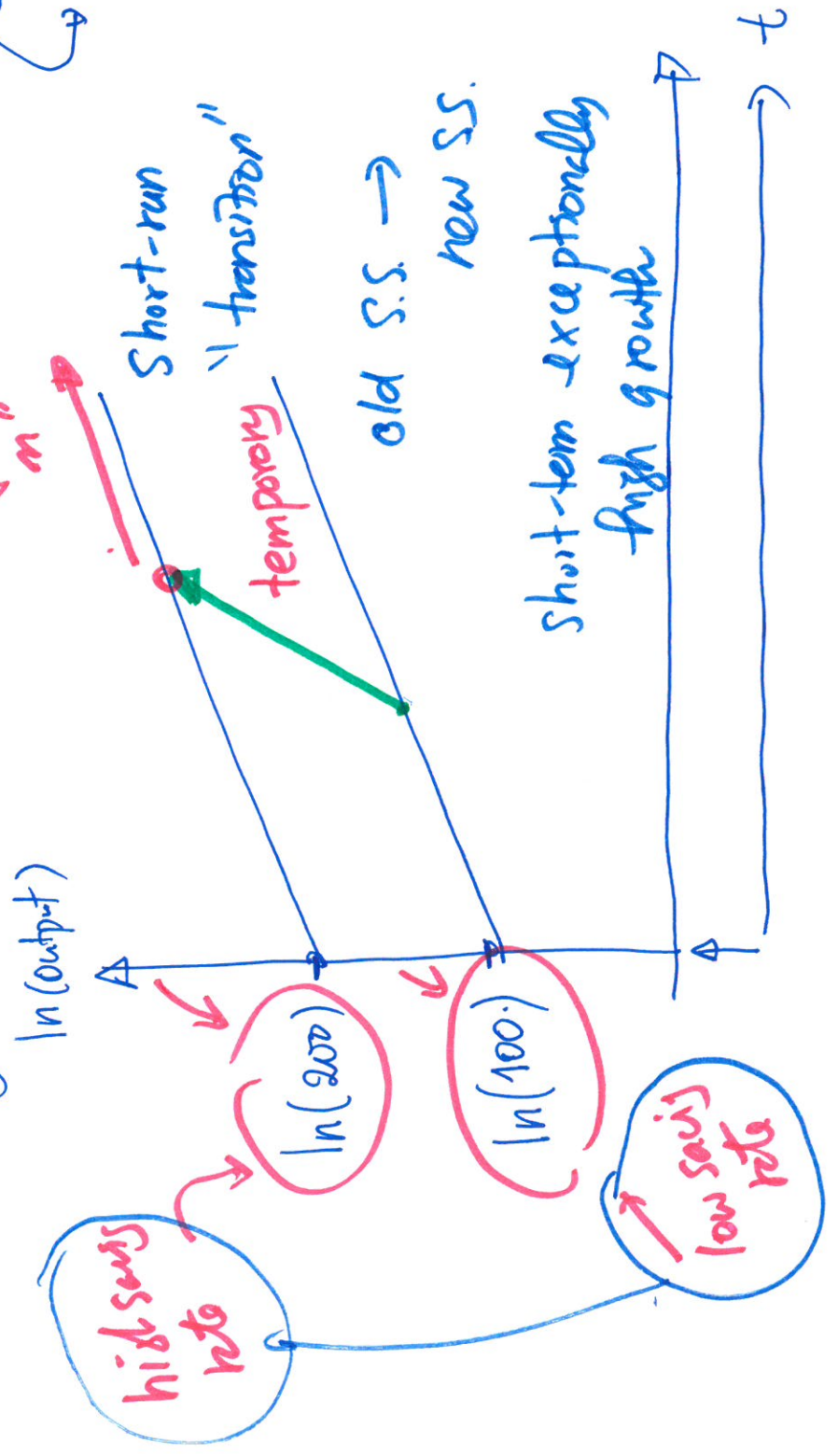
100 $\rightarrow (1+n)$

200 $\rightarrow (1+n)$

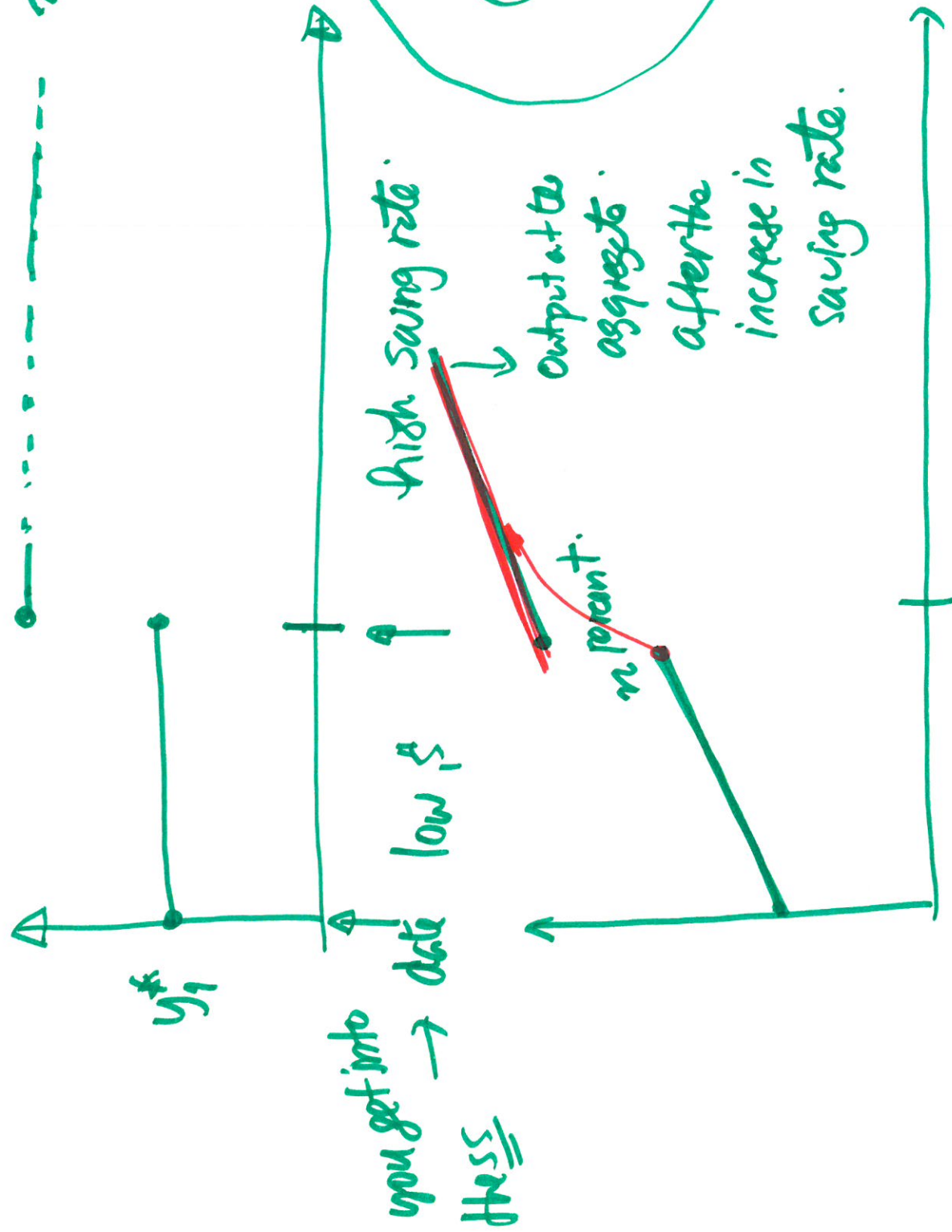
high saving rate $\Rightarrow y^* = 200$

low saving Economy

Encourage ppl to have the same rate of the ~~same~~ saving as the high-saving Economy



new y^*



Output to steady state
→ Output at the aggregate must be higher too

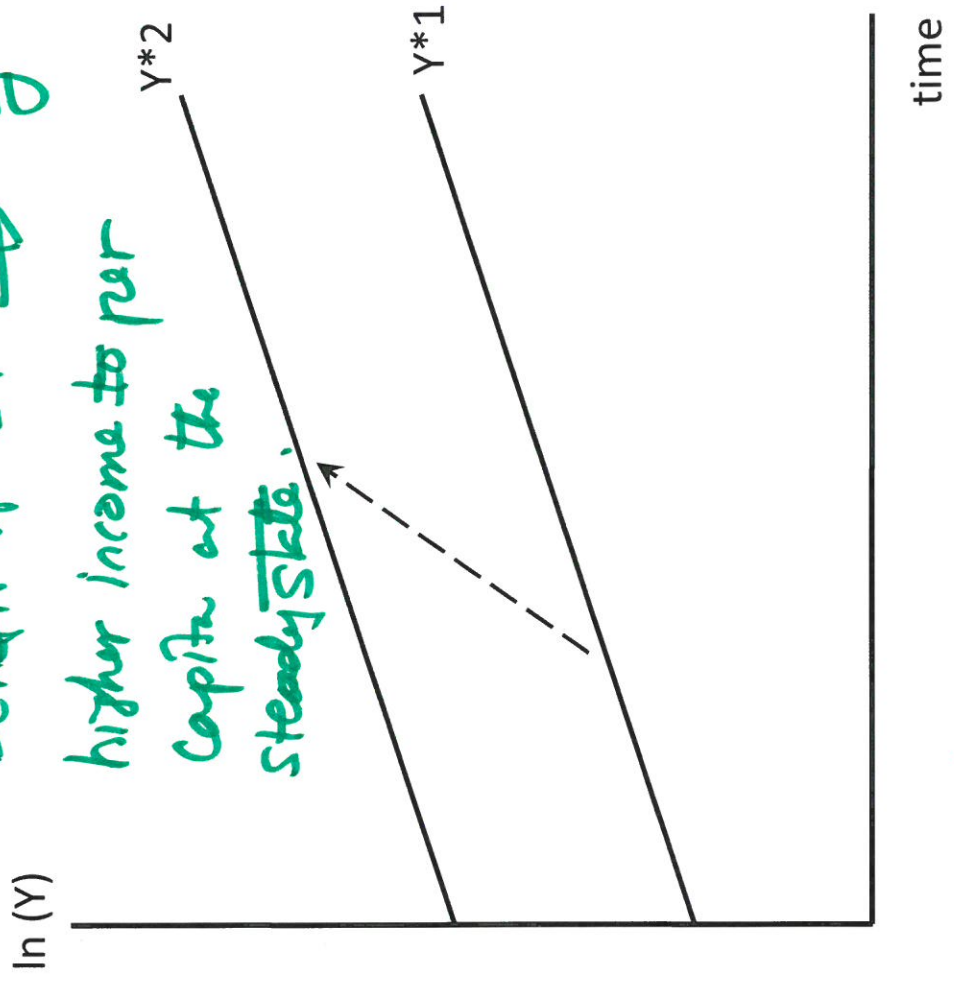
Output at the aggregate after the increase in saving rate.

growing Economy above the balanced growth path "n"

→ Where you eventually grow at the rate of "n" in the long-term

Temporary gain in growth rate

Benefit of $s \uparrow \Rightarrow y^* \uparrow$



• K and Y move to new 'growth paths'.

• Higher growth rates of K and Y are transitional, converging to n .

$\hookrightarrow K, Y \Rightarrow \uparrow n$