

BANKING

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Textbook

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1- General Introduction and Empirical Findings

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2. Why Do Financial Intermediaries Exist?

- Economies of scale and economies of scope
- Assets transformation
- Liquidity
- Default risk
- Maturity
- Indivisibilities

Information and monitoring

The equilibrium level of financial intermediation

Competition in the deposit and loans markets

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Generalisation

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5. Equilibrium and Rationing in the Credit Market

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 - The dynamic approach

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Bank runs
The role of the central bank

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