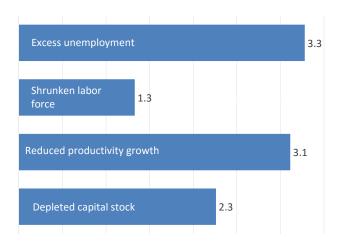
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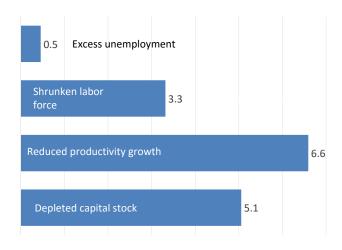
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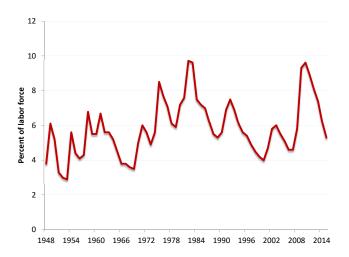
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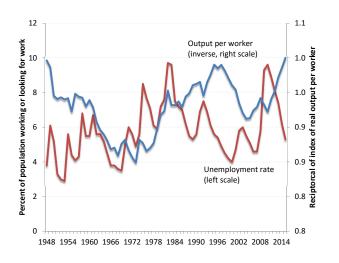
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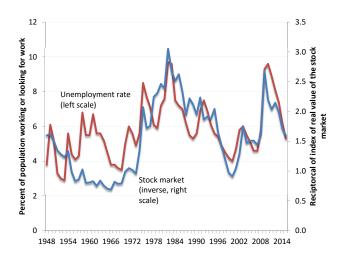
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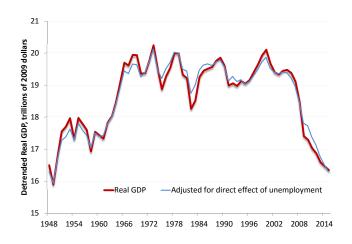
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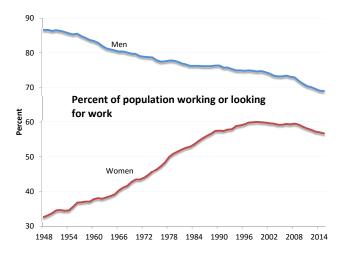
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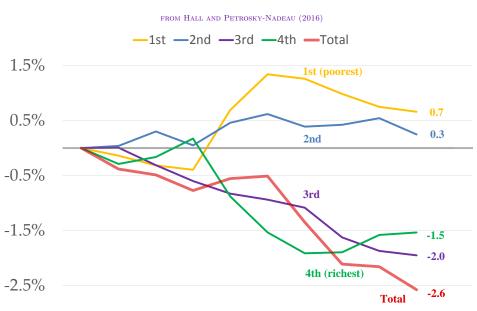
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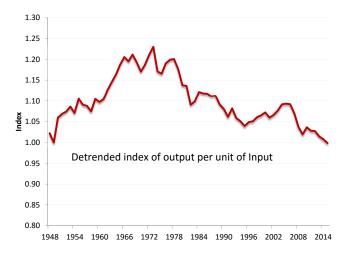
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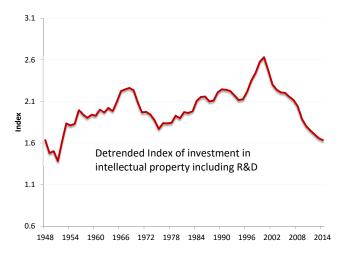
Changes in weekly hours of time use, 2003 to 2013, people 15 and older

	Personal care	Household work	Market work	Education	Leisure	Other
Men	1.3	0.1	-2.5	0.2	1.3	-0.4
Women	1.6	-0.7	-0.8	-0.1	0.8	-0.8

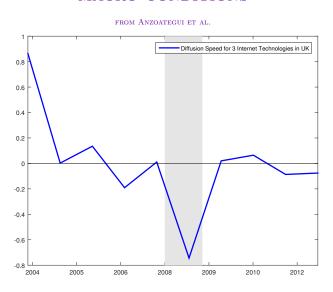
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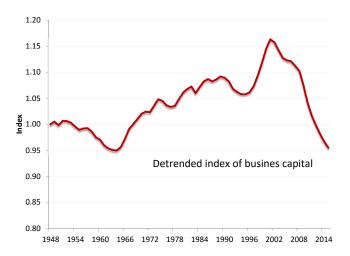
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TECHNOLOGY DIFFUSION IS SENSITIVE TO MACRO CONDITIONS



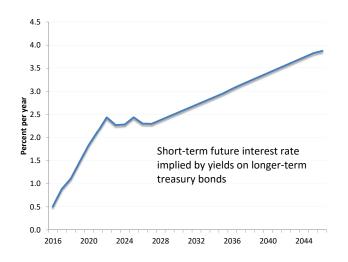
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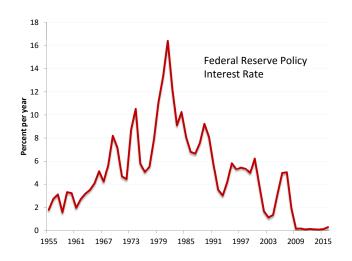
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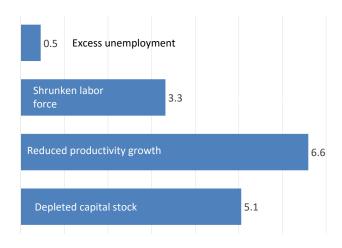
TOPIC 6: THE LOWER BOUND ON THE NOMINAL INTEREST RATE



MONETARY POLICY HAS MUCH LESS SCOPE FOR STIMULUS



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