(and inequality) "capital in the 21st century", thomas piketty

DEFINITIONS

alpha: capital share in national income beta: total capital / annual income

C: capital (wealth)
CD: capital, domestic
CF: capital, foreign

CI: capital, immaterial (patents, etc) CN: capital, national (wealth)

CP: capital, physical

FLI: flow of inheritance (b-sub-y)

IC: income, capital ID: income, domestic IG: income, global IF: income, foreign IL: income, labor IN: income, national growth rate g: OD: output, domestic OG: output, global

GDP: gross domestic product

m: mortality rate

mu: wealth at death / average wealth

NDP: net domestic product PD: product, domestic r: return on capital s: savings rate

RELATIONSHIPS

alpha = r * betabeta = CN / IN

beta = s / g (asymptote)

C = CP + CI CN = CD + CF DP = NDP DP = .90 * GDP GI = GO

FLI = mu * m * beta

 $\begin{array}{ll} ID & = DO \\ ID & = IC + IL \\ IN & = ID + IF \end{array}$

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