

[Summary]

[Heckscher-Ohlin Theory & General Equilibrium Framework of International Trade]

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Summary:
Heckscher and Ohlin have given the modern version of the international trade theory
with the help of general equilibrium approach. According to this theorem, a nation will
export the commodity whose production requires the intensive use of nation's relatively
abundant factor and import the commodity whose production requires intensive use of
nation's relatively scarce factor. In other words, capital-rich nation exports capital-
intensive commodity and imports labor-intensive commodity. Similarly, labor-rich nation
exports labor-intensive commodity and imports capital intensive commodity.