

1 SSMs with lagged states following Kurz (2018)

SSM

Kurz's SSM takes the following general form:

$$\text{Measurement : } Z_t = D_1 X_t + D_2 X_{t-1} + R \varepsilon_t \quad (1a) \quad \text{ssm1}$$

$$\text{State : } X_t = A X_{t-1} + C \varepsilon_t, \quad (1b) \quad \text{ssm2}$$

where $\varepsilon_t \sim MN(0, I_m)$, D_1, D_2, A, R are conformable system matrices, Z_t the observed variable and X_t the latent state.

2 HP97

HPO

The HP-Filter of Hodrick and Prescott (1997) can be expressed as an SSM following a UC model structure as:

$$y_t = y_t^* + y_t^c \quad (2a) \quad \text{HP0a}$$

$$\Delta^2 y_t^* = \varepsilon_{1t} \quad (2b) \quad \text{HP0b}$$

$$y_t^c = \phi \varepsilon_{2t}, \quad (2c) \quad \text{HP0c}$$

where y_t is (generally 100 times) the log of GDP, and ε_{1t} and ε_{2t} are $N(0, 1)$. The standard deviation ϕ is the (square root of the) smoothing parameter, generally set to 40, implying a value of ' λ ' of 1600.

To assess recovery, re-write the model in '*shock recovery*' state-space form (SSF). That is, collect all observables in Z_t and all shocks (and other state variables) in X_t . The relation in (2) can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 y_t &= \Delta^2 y_t^* + \Delta^2 y_t^c \\ &= \varepsilon_{1t} + \phi \Delta^2 \varepsilon_{2t} \\ Z_t &= \varepsilon_{1t} + \phi \varepsilon_{2t} - 2\phi \varepsilon_{2t-1} + \phi \varepsilon_{2t-2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3) \quad \text{Z}$$

where $Z_t = \Delta^2 y_t$ is the observed variable.

KOSSM

The Measurement and State equations corresponding to (1) are:

$$Z_t = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & -2\phi \end{bmatrix}}_{D_1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_t} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \phi \end{bmatrix}}_{D_2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-2} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_{t-1}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_R \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\varepsilon_t} \quad (4a)$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_t} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-2} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_{t-1}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_C \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\varepsilon_t} \quad (4b)$$

The Kalman Filter and Smoother based steady-state $\text{diag}(P)$ are, respectively:

$$\text{diag}(P_{t|t}^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9995 \\ 0.2006 \\ 0.1608 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{diag}(P_{t|T}^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9439 \\ 0.0561 \\ 0.0561 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5)$$