

1 LW(2003) Structural Model and standard SSM Form

LW use the following standard State-Space Form (SSF) (see their LW_Code_Guide.pdf file LW_replication.zip from the NYFED website):

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Measurement : } \mathbf{y}_t &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{H}\xi_t + \mathbf{R}^{1/2}\varepsilon_t^y \\ \text{State : } \xi_t &= \mathbf{F}\xi_{t-1} + \mathbf{Q}^{1/2}\varepsilon_t^\xi\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y}_t &= \begin{bmatrix} y_t & \pi_t \end{bmatrix}', \\ \mathbf{x}_t &= \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1} & y_{t-2} & r_{t-1} & r_{t-2} & \pi_{t-1} & \pi_{t-2,4} & \pi_{t-5,8} & (\pi_{t-1}^0 - \pi_{t-1}) & (\pi_t^m - \pi_t) \end{bmatrix}', \\ \xi_t &= \begin{bmatrix} y_t^* & y_{t-1}^* & y_{t-2}^* & g_{t-1} & g_{t-2} & z_{t-1} & z_{t-2} \end{bmatrix}', \\ \mathbf{A} &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \frac{a_3}{2} & \frac{a_3}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_1 & b_2 & (1 - b_1 - b_2) & b_4 & b_5 \end{bmatrix}', \\ \mathbf{H} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & -4c\frac{a_3}{2} & -4c\frac{a_3}{2} & -\frac{a_3}{2} & -\frac{a_3}{2} \\ 0 & -b_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

Note: $\mathbf{H}(1, 4 : 5)$ entries corresponding to trend growth cg_t are ‘annualized’ (multiplied by 4) in the code that performs the estimation (see `unpack.parameters.stage3.R` in `LW_replication.zip` files, line 24, which reads: `H[1,4:5] <- -parameters[9]*parameters[3]*2 ## c, a_3 (annualized)`).

The measurement equation is:

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{H}\xi_t + \mathbf{R}^{1/2}\varepsilon_t^y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t \\ \pi_t \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \frac{a_3}{2} & \frac{a_3}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_1 & b_2 & (1 - b_1 - b_2) & b_4 & b_5 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1} \\ y_{t-2} \\ r_{t-1} \\ r_{t-2} \\ \pi_{t-1} \\ \pi_{t-2,4} \\ \pi_{t-5,8} \\ (\pi_{t-1}^0 - \pi_{t-1}) \\ (\pi_t^m - \pi_t) \end{bmatrix} \quad (1a)$$

$$+ \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & -4c\frac{a_3}{2} & -4c\frac{a_3}{2} & -\frac{a_3}{2} & -\frac{a_3}{2} \\ 0 & -b_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{H}} \begin{bmatrix} y_t^* \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-1} \\ g_{t-2} \\ z_{t-1} \\ z_{t-2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1b)$$

The state equation is:

$$\xi_t = \mathbf{F}\xi_{t-1} + \mathbf{Q}^{1/2}\varepsilon_t^\xi$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t^* \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-1} \\ g_{t-2} \\ z_{t-1} \\ z_{t-2} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{F}} \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ y_{t-3}^* \\ g_{t-2} \\ g_{t-3} \\ z_{t-2} \\ z_{t-3} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_3 & \sigma_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{5t-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2) \quad \text{state1}$$

Expanding the relations in (1) and (2) and re-arranging yields:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t \\ \pi_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_t^* + a_1 (y_{t-1} - y_{t-1}^*) + a_2 (y_{t-2} - y_{t-2}^*) + \frac{1}{2}a_3 ([r_{t-1} - 4cg_{t-1} - z_{t-1}] + [r_{t-2} - 4cg_{t-2} - z_{t-2}]) + \sigma_1 \varepsilon_{1t} \\ b_3 (y_{t-1} - y_{t-1}^*) + b_1 \pi_{t-1} + b_2 \pi_{t-2,4} + (1 - b_1 - b_2) \pi_{t-5,8} + b_4 (\pi_{t-1}^0 - \pi_{t-1}) + b_5 (\pi_t^m - \pi_t) + \sigma_2 \varepsilon_{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t^* \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-1} \\ g_{t-2} \\ z_{t-1} \\ z_{t-2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1}^* + \overbrace{g_{t-2} + \sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t-1} + \sigma_3 \varepsilon_{3t}}^{g_{t-1}} \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-2} + \sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t-1} \\ g_{t-2} \\ z_{t-2} + \sigma_5 \varepsilon_{5t-1} \\ z_{t-2} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where the shock labels are: } \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t} \\ \varepsilon_{5t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_t^y \\ \varepsilon_t^\pi \\ \varepsilon_t^{y^*} \\ \varepsilon_t^g \\ \varepsilon_t^z \end{bmatrix}.$$

2 Shock recovery SSM

2.1 SSM with lagged states

SSM Kurz's (2018) SSM has the following general form:

$$\text{Measurement : } Z_t = D_1 X_t + D_2 X_{t-1} + R \varepsilon_t \quad (3a) \quad \text{ssm1}$$

$$\text{State : } X_t = A X_{t-1} + C \varepsilon_t, \quad (3b) \quad \text{ssm2}$$

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

2.2 LW03 equations

LW03's SSM written out equation by equation is:

$$y_t = y_t^* + a_1 (y_{t-1} - y_{t-1}^*) + a_2 (y_{t-2} - y_{t-2}^*) + \frac{1}{2}a_3 ([r_{t-1} - r_{t-1}^*] + [r_{t-2} - r_{t-2}^*]) + \sigma_1 \varepsilon_{1t} \quad (4a) \quad \text{LW03a}$$

$$\pi_t = b_3 (y_{t-1} - y_{t-1}^*) + b_1 \pi_{t-1} + b_2 \pi_{t-2,4} + (1 - b_1 - b_2) \pi_{t-5,8} + b_4 (\pi_{t-1}^0 - \pi_{t-1}) + b_5 (\pi_t^m - \pi_t) + \sigma_2 \varepsilon_{2t} \quad (4b) \quad \text{LW03b}$$

$$y_t^* = y_{t-1}^* + g_{t-1} + \sigma_3 \varepsilon_{3t} \quad (4c) \quad \text{LW03c}$$

$$g_{t-1} = g_{t-2} + \sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t-1} \quad (4d) \quad \text{LW03d}$$

$$z_{t-1} = z_{t-2} + \sigma_5 \varepsilon_{5t-1}, \quad (4e) \quad \text{LW03e}$$

where $r_t^* = 4cg_t + z_t$. Note that this can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} r_t^* &= 4cg_t + z_t \\ \Leftrightarrow \Delta r_t^* &= 4c \underbrace{\Delta g_t}_{\sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t}} + \underbrace{\Delta z_t}_{\sigma_5 \varepsilon_{5t}} \\ \Delta r_t^* &= 4c\sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t} + \sigma_5 \varepsilon_{5t}. \end{aligned} \quad (5) \quad \text{Drstar}$$

2.3 LW03 SSM for shock recovery

To assess recovery, re-write the model in ‘*shock recovery*’ form. That is, collect all observables in Z_t , and all shocks (and other state variables) in state vector X_t . The relations in (4), incorporating (5) then become:

$$\text{Measurement : } Z_{1t} = y_t^* - a_1 y_{t-1}^* - a_2 y_{t-2}^* - \frac{1}{2}a_3 (r_{t-1}^* + r_{t-2}^*) + \sigma_1 \varepsilon_{1t} \quad (6a)$$

$$Z_{2t} = -b_3 y_{t-1}^* + \sigma_2 \varepsilon_{2t} \quad (6b)$$

$$\text{State : } \Delta y_t^* = g_{t-1} + \sigma_3 \varepsilon_{3t} \quad (6c)$$

$$\Delta g_t = \sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t} \quad (6d)$$

$$\Delta r_t^* = 4c\sigma_4 \varepsilon_{4t} + \sigma_5 \varepsilon_{5t}, \quad (6e)$$

with the observables Z_t in the measurement equations defined as:

$$Z_{1t} = y_t - a_1 y_{t-1} - a_2 y_{t-2} - \frac{1}{2}a_3 (r_{t-1} + r_{t-2})$$

$$Z_{2t} = \pi_t - b_1 \pi_{t-1} - b_2 \pi_{t-2,4} - (1 - b_1 - b_2) \pi_{t-5,8} - b_4 (\pi_{t-1}^0 - \pi_{t-1}) - b_5 (\pi_t^m - \pi_t) - b_3 y_{t-1}.$$

The ‘*shock recovery*’ SSF corresponding to (6) is then:

Measurement : $Z_t = D_1 X_t + D_2 X_{t-1} + R \varepsilon_t$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} Z_{1t} \\ Z_{2t} \end{bmatrix}}_{Z_t} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -b_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{D_1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_t^* \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ g_t \\ r_t^* \\ r_{t-1}^* \\ \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t} \\ \varepsilon_{5t} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_t} \quad (7a)$$

$$+ \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -a_1 & -a_2 & 0 & -\frac{a_3}{2} & -\frac{a_3}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{D_2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-1} \\ r_{t-1}^* \\ r_{t-2}^* \\ \varepsilon_{1t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{3t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{4t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{5t-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_{t-1}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{0}_{2 \times 5}}_R \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t} \\ \varepsilon_{5t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\varepsilon_t} \quad (7b)$$

State : $X_t = A X_{t-1} + C \varepsilon_t$,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_t^* \\ y_{t-1}^* \\ g_t \\ r_t^* \\ r_{t-1}^* \\ \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t} \\ \varepsilon_{5t} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_t} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1}^* \\ y_{t-2}^* \\ g_{t-1} \\ r_{t-1}^* \\ r_{t-2}^* \\ \varepsilon_{1t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{2t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{3t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{4t-1} \\ \varepsilon_{5t-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{X_{t-1}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4c\sigma_4 & \sigma_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_C \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{1t} \\ \varepsilon_{2t} \\ \varepsilon_{3t} \\ \varepsilon_{4t} \\ \varepsilon_{5t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\varepsilon_t} \quad (7c)$$

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

$$\text{diag}(P_{t|t}^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9995 \\ 0.2006 \\ 0.1608 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{diag}(P_{t|T}^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9439 \\ 0.0561 \\ 0.0561 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (8)$$