# Distribution with One Period Policy Shift

This is the example vignette for function: snw\_ds\_main\_vec from the PrjOptiSNW Package.

## One-period Deviation from Steady-State given Alternative Policy Function

In addition to solving for distribution given one policy function, snw\_ds\_main\_vec can also solve for the distributional shift from "steady-state" with a one-period policy shift.

If a 6th parameter, PHI\_ADJ\_BASE, is provided to **snw\_ds\_main\_vec**, solve for next-period forward distribution conditional on PHI\_ADJ\_BASE, using the policy function provided to **snw\_ds\_main\_vec** as the 3rd and 4th parameters.

When PHI\_ADJ\_BASE is provided, if the AP\_SS, CONS\_SS policy functions inputs are from the same problem that generated PHI\_ADJ\_BASE, output PHI\_ADJ will be identical to PHI\_ADJ\_BASE. However, if AP\_SS, CONS\_SS are different policy functions from those that induced PHI\_ADJ\_BASE, PHI\_ADJ output will be different from PHI\_ADJ\_BASE input.

This allows for obtaining the distributional impact of a one period policy, allowing for deviation from "steady-state" distribution. This is used to solve for the distribution after one-period MIT shock, given stimulus checks provided in that period.

This is used to model the distributional effects of CARES Act, the two rounds of Trump Stimulus Checks, on household asset distribution when then receive the Biden stimulus checks from the the American Recovery Act. In effect, we have two MIT shock periods.

### Solve for "Steady-State" Policy and Value Functions

Steady-state policy and value functions

```
% mp_params = snw_mp_param('default_dense');
mp_params = snw_mp_param('default_docdense');
% mp_params = snw_mp_param('default_moredense_a65zh133zs5_e2m2');
mp_controls = snw_mp_control('default_test');
mp_controls('bl_print_vfi') = false;
mp_controls('bl_print_vfi_verbose') = false;
mp_controls('bl_print_ds') = false;
mp_controls('bl_print_ds_verbose') = false;
[V_ss,ap_ss,cons_ss,mp_valpol_more_ss] = snw_vfi_main_bisec_vec(mp_params, mp_controls);
```

Completed SNW\_VFI\_MAIN\_BISEC\_VEC;SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense;SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test;time=502.5538

## Solve for "Steady-State" Distribution

Solve for steady-state distributions, using steady-state policy functions.

```
[Phi_true_ss,Phi_adj_ss,A_agg_ss,Y_inc_agg_ss,~,mp_dsvfi_results_ss] = ...
snw_ds_main_vec(mp_params, mp_controls, ap_ss, cons_ss);
```

Completed SNW\_VFI\_MAIN\_BISEC\_VEC;SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense;SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test;time=519.8925 Completed SNW\_DS\_MAIN\_VEC;SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense;SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test;time=878.2485

```
% [Phi_true,Phi_adj] = snw_ds_main(mp_params, mp_controls);
Phi_true_ss = Phi_true_ss/sum(Phi_true_ss(:));
```

Show distributional results.

```
mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s = mp_dsvfi_results_ss('mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s');
disp(mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s('tb_outcomes'));
```

	mean	unweighted_sum	sd	coefofvar	gini	min	max	pYis0
a_ss	4.2486	2228	6.7963	1.5996	0.68054	0	135	0.122
ap_ss	4.3473	5.3198e+08	6.834	1.572	0.68147	0	163.7	0.1022
cons_ss	1.0676	5.0976e+07	0.69454	0.65055	0.3385	0.036717	141.66	
n_ss	2.3554	21	1.4375	0.61029	0.3128	1	6	
y_all	1.4672	8.3563e+07	1.4636	0.99755	0.44353	0.038108	50.873	
y_head_inc	1.1087	1.9253e+06	1.0092	0.91029	0.41889	0.038108	24.357	
y_head_earn	0.88655	19732	0.92804	1.0468	0.53121	0	18.957	0.201
y_spouse_inc	0.35849	4.8273e+05	0.95494	2.6638	0.85255	0	26.627	0.5249
yshr_interest	0.12214	3.8429e+06	0.16806	1.3759	0.66002	0	0.99299	0.122
yshr_wage	0.77513	8.8876e+06	0.33759	0.43553	0.2056	0	1	0.1058
yshr_SS	0.10273	30336	0.23637	2.3009	0.91226	0	1	0.798
yshr_tax	0.17862	2.8339e+06	0.03519	0.19701	0.11226	0.036506	0.2552	
yshr_nttxss	0.075896	2.8036e+06	0.25563	3.3681	1.3974	-0.89184	0.2552	

# **Solve for Policy Function Under Trump Stimulus**

Same continuation value as prior (steady-state continuation), but now solve for new policy (one round) due to Trump stimulus. Same tax rate in covid and other years, manna-from-heaven. This calls the snw\_vfi\_main\_bisec\_vec\_stimulus function, which provides the stimulus checks as a function of income and family status.

```
mp_params('a2_covidyr') = mp_params('a2_covidyr_manna_heaven');
[~,ap_trumpchecks,cons_trumpchecks, mp_valpol_more_trumpchecks] = ...
snw_vfi_main_bisec_vec_stimulus(mp_params, mp_controls, V_ss);
```

Completed SNW\_VFI\_MAIN\_BISEC\_VEC 1 Period Unemp Shock; SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense; SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test; time

## Solve for Updated Distribution given Trump Stimulus

Fixing mass at their steady-state distribution, policy functions shift to the Trump stimulus policies, resolve for one-period forward distribution. The distributional code is almost identical, except uses steady-state distribution as the "base" distribution via parameter PHI\_ADJ\_SS.

```
[Phi_true_trumpchecks,Phi_adj_trumpchecks,...
    A_agg_trumpchecks,Y_inc_agg_trumpchecks,~,mp_dsvfi_results_trumpchecks] = snw_ds_main_vec(...
    mp_params, mp_controls, ...
    ap_trumpchecks, cons_trumpchecks, ...
    mp_valpol_more_trumpchecks, ...
    Phi_adj_ss);
```

Completed SNW\_DS\_MAIN\_VEC;SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense;SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test;time=1049.9928

```
Phi_true_trumpchecks = Phi_true_trumpchecks/sum(Phi_true_trumpchecks(:));
```

```
mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s = mp_dsvfi_results_trumpchecks('mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s');
disp(mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s('tb_outcomes'));
```

	mean	unweighted_sum	sd	coefofvar	gini	min	max	pYis
a_ss	4.2915	2228	6.7897	1.5821	0.6715	0	135	0.033
_	4.4302	5.3248e+08	6.8215	1.5398	0.66507	0	163.7	0.0085
ap_ss								0.0003
cons_ss	1.0815	5.1068e+07	0.69017	0.63816	0.33191	0.048012	141.66	
n_ss	2.3554	21	1.4375	0.61029	0.3128	1	6	
y_all	1.4689	8.3563e+07	1.4635	0.9963	0.44301	0.038108	50.873	
y_head_inc	1.1104	1.9253e+06	1.0089	0.90858	0.41816	0.038108	24.357	
y_head_earn	0.88655	19732	0.92804	1.0468	0.53121	0	18.957	0.2
y_spouse_inc	0.35849	4.8273e+05	0.95494	2.6638	0.85255	0	26.627	0.52
yshr_interest	0.12399	3.8429e+06	0.16765	1.3521	0.64387	0	0.99299	0.033
yshr_wage	0.77361	8.8876e+06	0.33689	0.43548	0.21134	0	1	0.10
yshr_SS	0.1024	30336	0.23555	2.3004	0.91242	0	1	0.7
yshr_tax	0.17872	2.8339e+06	0.035121	0.19651	0.11197	0.036506	0.2552	
yshr_nttxss	0.076327	2.8036e+06	0.25478	3.338	1.3851	-0.89184	0.2552	

### Debug Check, SNW\_DS\_MAIN\_VEC with Steady State Policies

This is to confirm that code is working properly. If we use steady-state policy functions and also provide as a sixth parameter the steady-state distribution, PHI\_ADJ\_SS, to <a href="main\_vec">snw\_ds\_main\_vec</a>, we should get back the same distribution, PHI\_TRUE\_SS\_WITH\_EXISTDIST\_DEBUG, which is the same as PHI\_ADJ\_SS. See that the distributional outputs at the end of this subsection is the same as the distributional table before the table directly prior.

```
[Phi_true_ss_with_existdist_debug,~,~,~,~,mp_dsvfi_results_ss_with_existdist_debug] = snw_ds_ma
mp_params, mp_controls, ...
ap_ss, cons_ss, ...
mp_valpol_more_ss, ...
Phi_adj_ss);
```

Completed SNW\_DS\_MAIN\_VEC; SNW\_MP\_PARAM=default\_docdense; SNW\_MP\_CONTROL=default\_test; time=907.6063

Phi\_true\_ss\_with\_existdist\_debug = Phi\_true\_ss\_with\_existdist\_debug/sum(Phi\_true\_ss\_with\_existd

Show distributional results.

```
mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s = mp_dsvfi_results_ss_with_existdist_debug('mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s');
disp(mp_cl_mt_xyz_of_s('tb_outcomes'));
```

	mean	unweighted_sum	sd	coefofvar	gini	min	max	pYis0
a_ss	4.2486	2228	6.7963	1.5996	0.68054	0	135	0.1223
ap_ss	4.3473	5.3198e+08	6.834	1.572	0.68147	0	163.7	0.10225
cons_ss	1.0676	5.0976e+07	0.69454	0.65055	0.3385	0.036717	141.66	6
n_ss	2.3554	21	1.4375	0.61029	0.3128	1	6	6
y_all	1.4672	8.3563e+07	1.4636	0.99755	0.44353	0.038108	50.873	6
y_head_inc	1.1087	1.9253e+06	1.0092	0.91029	0.41889	0.038108	24.357	6
y_head_earn	0.88655	19732	0.92804	1.0468	0.53121	0	18.957	0.2016
y_spouse_inc	0.35849	4.8273e+05	0.95494	2.6638	0.85255	0	26.627	0.52499
yshr interest	0.12214	3.8429e+06	0.16806	1.3759	0.66002	0	0.99299	0.1223

yshr_wage	0.77513	8.8876e+06	0.33759	0.43553	0.2056	0	1	0.1058
yshr_SS	0.10273	30336	0.23637	2.3009	0.91226	0	1	0.798
yshr_tax	0.17862	2.8339e+06	0.03519	0.19701	0.11226	0.036506	0.2552	
yshr_nttxss	0.075896	2.8036e+06	0.25563	3.3681	1.3974	-0.89184	0.2552	