



Solving rational expectations models at first order: what Dynare does

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Dynare Model Framework

$$E \left[f_{\theta} (y_{t-1}, y_t, y_{t+1}, u_t | \Omega_t) \right] = 0$$

$$u_s \sim WN(0, \Sigma_u)$$

$t, s \in \mathbb{T}$: discrete time set, typically \mathbb{N} or \mathbb{Z}

y_t : n endogenous variables (declared in *var* block)

u_t : n_u exogenous variables (declared in *varexo* block)

Σ_u : covariance matrix of invariant distribution of exogenous variables (declared in *shocks* block)

θ : n_{θ} model parameters (declared in *parameters* block)

f : n model equations (declared in *model* block)

f_{θ} is a continuous non-linear function indexed by a vector of parameters θ

$$E \left[f_{\theta} (y_{t-1}, y_t, y_{t+1}, u_t | \Omega_t) \right] = 0$$

$$u_s \sim WN(0, \Sigma_u)$$

Ω_t : information set (*filtration*, i.e. $\Omega_t \subseteq \Omega_{t+s} \forall s \geq 0$)

$E[\cdot | \Omega_t]$: conditional expectation operator, typically we use shorthand E_t

Rational expectations:

- ▶ information set includes model equations f , value of parameters θ , value of current state y_{t-1} , value of current exogenous variables u_t , invariant distribution (but not values!) of future exogenous variables u_{t+s}
- ▶ $\Omega_t = \{f, \theta, y_{t-1}, u_t, u_{t+s} \sim N(0, \Sigma)\}$ for all $t \in \mathbb{T}, s > 0$

$$E_t \left[f(y_{t-1}, y_t, y_{t+1}, u_t) \right] = 0$$

$$E_t \left[f \left(y_{t-1}^*, y_t, y_{t+1}^{***}, u_t \right) \right] = 0$$

Typology and ordering of variables

$$n = n^{static} + n^{pred} + n^{fwr} + n^{both}$$

static: appear only at t , not at $t - 1$, not at $t + 1$

predetermined: appear at $t - 1$, not at $t + 1$, possibly at t

forward: appear at $t + 1$, not at $t - 1$, possibly at t

mixed: appear at $t - 1$ and $t + 1$, possibly at t

Typology and ordering of variables

y_t^* are the *state variables*: predetermined and mixed variables (n^{spred})

y_t^{**} are the *jumper variables*: mixed and forward variables (n^{sfwrd})

Typology and ordering of variables

Declaration order: as you declare in *var* block

DR (decision-rule) order: used for perturbation

$$y_t = \begin{pmatrix} \textit{static} \\ \textit{predetermind} \\ \textit{mixed} \\ \textit{forward} \end{pmatrix} \quad y_t^* = \begin{pmatrix} \textit{predetermind} \\ \textit{mixed} \end{pmatrix} \quad y_t^{**} = \begin{pmatrix} \textit{mixed} \\ \textit{forward} \end{pmatrix}$$

Perturbation approach

General idea

Step 1: Introduce perturbation parameter

- ▶ scale u_t by a parameter $\sigma \geq 0$: $u_t = \sigma \varepsilon_t$ with $\varepsilon_t \sim WN(0, \Sigma_\varepsilon)$
- ▶ note that this implies $\Sigma_u = \sigma^2 \Sigma_\varepsilon$
- ▶ σ is called the *perturbation parameter*
 - ▶ non-stochastic, i.e. static model: $\sigma = 0$
 - ▶ stochastic, i.e. dynamic model: $\sigma > 0$

General idea

Step 2: define dynamic solution

- ▶ find an invariant mapping between y_t and (y_{t-1}^*, u_t) :

$$y_t = g(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma)$$

- ▶ $g(\cdot)$ is called the *policy-function* or *decision rule*
- ▶ $g(\cdot)$ is unknown, i.e. we need to solve a *functional equation*

General idea

Idea: Maybe we can get g from $E_t \left[f(y_{t-1}^*, y_t, y_{t+1}^{**}, u_t) \right] = 0$?

Define

$$\blacktriangleright y_t = g(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma) \quad y_t^* = g^*(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma) \quad y_t^{**} = g^{**}(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma)$$

$$\blacktriangleright y_{t+1}^{**} = g^{**}(y_t^*, u_{t+1}, \sigma) = g^{**}(g^*(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma), u_{t+1}, \sigma)$$

General idea

Rewrite dynamic model:

$$f\left(y_{t-1}^*, y_t, y_{t+1}^{***}, u_t\right)$$

$$= f\left(y_{t-1}^*, g(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma), g^{***}(g^*(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma), u_{t+1}, \sigma), u_t\right)$$

$$\equiv F(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, u_{t+1}, \sigma)$$

General idea

Perturbation is based on the *implicit function theorem*:

$$E_t F(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, u_{t+1}, \sigma) = 0 \quad [\text{known}]$$

implicitly defines

$$g(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma) \quad [\text{unknown}]$$

General idea

We know how to solve for the non-stochastic ($\sigma = 0$) steady-state \bar{y} by solving the *static* model:

$$\bar{f}(\bar{y}) \equiv f(\bar{y}^*, \bar{y}, \bar{y}^{**}, 0) = F(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0, 0) = 0$$

which provides us with the non-stochastic steady-state for \bar{y} , \bar{y}^* and \bar{y}^{**}

Even though we do not know $g(\cdot)$ explicitly, we do know its value at \bar{y} , \bar{y}^* and \bar{y}^{**} :

$$\bar{y}^* = g^*(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{y} = g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)$$

Taylor approximation of g

Let's approximate $g(\cdot)$ around \bar{y} with a 1st order Taylor expansion:

$$y_t = g(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, \sigma)$$

$$y_t \approx \bar{y} + \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial y_{t-1}^*} \right] (y_{t-1}^* - \bar{y}^*) + \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial u_t} \right] (u_t - 0) + \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial \sigma} \right] (\sigma - 0)$$

Some progress: instead of an infinite unknown number of parameters for g , we have now only three unknown matrices

Taylor approximation of g

But: how do we obtain these?

➡ Let's approximate $F(\cdot)$ around \bar{y} with a 1st order Taylor expansion!

Notation Variable Vectors

$$y_0 := y_t, y_0^* := y_t^*, y_0^{**} := y_t^{**}, u := u_t, u_+ := u_{t+1}$$

$$y_- := y_{t-1}, y_-^* := y_{t-1}^*, y_-^{**} := y_{t-1}^{**}, y_+ := y_{t+1}, y_+^* := y_{t+1}^*, y_+^{**} := y_{t+1}^{**}$$

$$x := y_{t-1}^* \text{ denotes } \underline{\textit{previous states}}$$

$$r := \begin{pmatrix} x \\ u \\ u_+ \\ \sigma \end{pmatrix} \quad z := \begin{pmatrix} y_-^* \\ y \\ y_+^{**} \\ u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ g(x, u, \sigma) \\ G(x, u, u_+, \sigma) \\ u \end{pmatrix}$$

Notation Jacobian Matrices

$$g_x := \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial y_{t-1}^*} \right], \quad g_u := \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial u_t} \right], \quad g_\sigma := \left[\frac{\partial g(\bar{y}^*, 0, 0)}{\partial \sigma} \right] \text{ [unknown]}$$

$$f_{y_-^*} := \left[\frac{\partial f(\bar{z})}{\partial y_{t-1}^*} \right], \quad f_{y_0} := \left[\frac{\partial f(\bar{z})}{\partial y_t} \right], \quad f_{y_+^{**}} := \left[\frac{\partial f(\bar{z})}{\partial y_{t+1}^{**}} \right], \quad f_u := \left[\frac{\partial f(\bar{z})}{\partial u_t} \right] \text{ [known]}$$

$$F_x := \left[\frac{\partial F(\bar{r})}{\partial y_{t-1}^*} \right], \quad F_u := \left[\frac{\partial F(\bar{r})}{\partial u_t} \right], \quad F_{u_+} := \left[\frac{\partial F(\bar{r})}{\partial u_{t+1}} \right], \quad F_\sigma := \left[\frac{\partial F(\bar{r})}{\partial \sigma} \right] \text{ [implicit]}$$

All derivatives are evaluated at the non-stochastic steady-state

Taylor approximation of F

Let's approximate $F(y_{t-1}^*, u_t, u_{t+1}, \sigma) = F(r)$ around \bar{r} at 1st order:

$$F(r) \approx F(\bar{r}) + F_x \hat{x} + F_u \hat{u} + F_{u_+} \hat{u}_+ + F_\sigma \hat{\sigma}$$

where $\hat{x} = (x - \bar{x})$, $\hat{u} = (u - 0) = u$, $\hat{u}_+ = (u_+ - 0) = u_+$, $\hat{\sigma} = (\sigma - 0) = \sigma$

The dynamic model implies that $E_t F(r) = 0$. So let's take the conditional expectation and set to 0.

Taylor approximation of F

$$0 = E_t F(r) \approx 0 + F_x \hat{x} + F_u u + F_{u_+} E_t \sigma \varepsilon_+ + F_\sigma \sigma$$

$$0 \approx F_x \hat{x} + F_u u + \left(F_\sigma + F_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ \right) \sigma$$

This equation needs to be satisfied for any value of \hat{x} , u and σ .

Therefore:

$$F_x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad F_u = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad F_\sigma + F_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ = 0$$

Taylor approximation of F

$$F_x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad F_u = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad F_\sigma + F_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ = 0$$

We have 3 (multivariate) equations and 3 (multivariate) unknowns!

We can recover:

► g_x from $F_x = f_z z_x = f_{y_-^*} + f_{y_0} g_x + f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} g_x^* = 0$

► g_u from $F_u = f_z z_u = f_{y_0} g_u + f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} g_u^* + f_u = 0$

► g_σ from $F_\sigma + F_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ = f_z z_\sigma + f_z z_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ = f_{y_0} g_\sigma + f_{y_+^{**}} (g_x^{**} g_\sigma^* + g_\sigma^{**}) + f_{y_+^{**}} g_u^{**} E_t \varepsilon_+ = 0$

Recovering g_σ

Recovering g_σ

First order Taylor expansion of

$$F = f(\underbrace{x}_{y_-^*}, \underbrace{g(x, u, \sigma)}_{y_0}, \underbrace{g^{**}(g^*(x, u, \sigma), u_+, \sigma)}_{y_+^{**}}, u)$$

with respect to σ yields:

$$F_\sigma = f_{y_0} g_\sigma + f_{y_+^{**}} (g_x^{**} g_\sigma^* + g_\sigma^{**})$$

with respect to u_+ yields:

$$F_{u_+} = f_{y_+^{**}} g_u^{**}$$

Recovering g_σ

$$F_\sigma + F_{u_+} E_t \varepsilon_+ = f_{y_0} g_\sigma + f_{y_+^{**}} (g_x^{**} g_\sigma^* + g_\sigma^{**}) + f_{y_+^{**}} g_u^{**} E_t \varepsilon_+ = 0$$

Let's introduce auxiliary perturbation matrices:

$$A = f_{y_0} + \begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{0}_{n \times n^{static}} & \vdots & \underbrace{f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**}}_{n \times n^{spred}} & \vdots & \underbrace{0}_{n \times n^{fwrd}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{0}_{n \times n^{static}} & \vdots & \underbrace{0}_{n \times n^{pred}} & \vdots & \underbrace{f_{y_+^{**}}}_{n \times n^{sfwrd}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Recovering g_σ

$$f_{y_0}g_\sigma + f_{y_+^{**}}(g_x^{**}g_\sigma^* + g_\sigma^{**}) + f_{y_+^{**}}g_u^{**}E_t\varepsilon_+ = 0$$

$$(A + B)g_\sigma + f_{y_+^{**}}g_u^{**}E_t\varepsilon_+ = 0$$

$$g_\sigma = (A + B)^{-1}f_{y_+^{**}}g_u^{**}E_t\varepsilon_+$$

Of course, we know that $E_t\varepsilon_{t+1} = 0$ which implies:

$$g_\sigma = 0$$

Certainty Equivalence $g_\sigma = 0$

When we derived the optimality conditions (aka model equations) agents do take into account the effect of future uncertainty when optimizing their objective functions.

BUT: the policy function is independent of the size of the stochastic innovations:

$$y_t = g_x y_{t-1}^* + g_u u_t$$

Future uncertainty does not matter for the decision rules of the agents!

Certainty equivalence is a result of the first-order perturbation approximation, we can break it with e.g. higher-order perturbation approximation

Recovering g_u

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First order Taylor expansion of

$$F = f(\underbrace{x}_{y_-^*}, \underbrace{g(x, u, \sigma)}_{y_0}, \underbrace{g^{**}(g^*(x, u, \sigma), u_+, \sigma)}_{y_+^{**}}, u)$$

with respect to u yields:

$$F_u = f_{y_0} g_u + f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} g_u^* + f_u = A g_u + f_u$$

$F_u = 0$ implies:

$$g_u = -A^{-1} f_u$$

Recovering g_u

$$g_u = -A^{-1}f_u$$

This is a linear equation which requires the inverse of A

$$A = f_{y_0} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vdots & f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} & \vdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Once we know $g_{x'}$ we can easily compute g_u .

Recovering g_x

Quadratic Equation

First order Taylor expansion of

$$F = f(\underbrace{x}_{y_-^*}, \underbrace{g(x, u, \sigma)}_{y_0}, \underbrace{g^{**}(g^*(x, u, \sigma), u_+, \sigma)}_{y_+^{**}}, u)$$

with respect to x and setting it to zero yields:

$$F_x = f_{y_-^*} + f_{y_0} g_x + f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} g_x^* \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

This is a *quadratic equation*, but the unknown g_x is a matrix!

It is generally impossible to solve this equation analytically, but there are several ways to deal with this as this boils down to solving so-called *Linear Rational Expecations Models*

Linear Rational Expectations Model

Re-consider original dynamic model:

$$E_t f(y_{t-1}^*, y_t, y_{t+1}^{**}, u_t) = 0$$

Take first-order Taylor expansion:

$$f_{y_-}^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + f_{y_0} \hat{y}_t + f_{y_+}^{**} E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} + f_u u_t = 0$$

In the literature this is known as a *Linear Rational Expectations Model*

Linear Rational Expectations Model

$$f_{y_-}^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + f_{y_0} \hat{y}_t + f_{y_+}^{**} E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^* + f_u u_t = 0$$

From the policy functions we know:

$$\hat{y}_t = g_x \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + g_u u_t \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{y}_t^* = g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + g_u^* u_t$$

$$E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = g_x^{**} \hat{y}_t^* + g_u^{**} E_t u_{t+1} = g_x^{**} \hat{y}_t^* = g_x^{**} (g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + g_u^* u_t) = g_x^{**} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + g_x^{**} g_u^* u_t$$

Connection to perturbation:

$$\underbrace{(f_{y_-}^* + f_{y_0} g_x + f_{y_+}^{**} g_x^{**} g_x^*)}_{F_x=0} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = - \underbrace{(f_{y_0} g_u + f_{y_+}^{**} g_x^{**} g_u^* + f_u)}_{F_u=0} u_t = 0$$

Structural State-Space System

$$f_{y_-^*} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + f_{y_0^{static}} \hat{y}_t^{static} + f_{y_0^{pred}} \hat{y}_t^{pred} + f_{y_0^{**}} \hat{y}_t^{**} + f_{y_+^{**}} E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = -f_u u$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_{y_0^{static}} & f_{y_0^{pred}} & 0 & f_{y_+^{**}} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=\tilde{D}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_t^{static} \\ \hat{y}_t^{pred} \\ \hat{y}_t^{mixed} \\ E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=\tilde{Y}_t} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -f_{y_-^*} & -f_{y_0^{**}} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=\tilde{E}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^{static} \\ \hat{y}_{t-1}^* \\ \hat{y}_t^{**} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=\tilde{Y}_{t-1}} + \underbrace{-f_u u_t}_{\tilde{U}_t}$$

$$\tilde{D} \cdot \tilde{Y}_t = \tilde{E} \cdot \tilde{Y}_{t-1} + \tilde{U}_t$$

Getting rid of static variables

We usually have *a lot of static* variables

To compute g_x^{**} and g_x^* , we don't need the entries corresponding to the static variables in the Jacobian, so we can reduce the size of the matrices considerably

From a theoretical point of view this step is optional

From a numerical point of view this enables one to deal with very large models efficiently

Getting rid of static variables

Let S be the submatrix of f_{y_0} with columns for static endogenous variables only

Do a QR decomposition: $S = Q_s R_s$

Q_s is orthogonal ($Q_s Q_s' = I$ and $Q_s' = Q_s^{-1}$) and R_s is upper triangular

$$Q_s' f_{y_-} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \textcolor{red}{Q_s' f_{y_0^{static}} \hat{y}_t^{static}} + \textcolor{red}{Q_s' f_{y_0^{pred}} \hat{y}_t^{pred}} + \textcolor{red}{Q_s' f_{y_0^{**}} \hat{y}_t^{**}} + Q_s' f_{y_+^{**}} E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = - Q_s' f_u u_t$$

By construction, columns of static variables in $Q_s' f_{y_0}$ are zero in their lower part

Getting rid of static variables

Denote the lower rows of $Q'_s f_{y_-^*}$, $Q'_s f_{y_0}$, $Q'_s f_{y_+^{**}}$, $Q'_s f_u$ by $f_{y_-^*}^Q$, $f_{y_0}^Q$, $f_{y_+^{**}}^Q$, f_u^Q

We can focus on the reduced system:

$$f_{y_-^*}^Q \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + f_{y_0^{pred}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{pred} + f_{y_0^{**}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{**} + f_{y_+^{**}}^Q E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = -f_u^Q u_t$$

Static endogenous variables do not appear anymore

Again this step is theoretically optional, but numerically more efficient

Structural State-Space System

$$f_{y_-^*}^Q \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + f_{y_0^{pred}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{pred} + f_{y_0^{**}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{**} + f_{y_+^{**}}^Q E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = -f_u^Q u_t$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_{y_0^{pred}}^Q & 0 & f_{y_+^{**}}^Q \\ 0 & I & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{:=D} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_t^{pred} \\ \hat{y}_t^{mixed} \\ E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -f_{y_-^*}^Q & -f_{y_0^{mixed}}^Q & -f_{y_0^{fwr}}^Q \\ 0 & I & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{:=E} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* \\ \hat{y}_t^{mixed} \\ \hat{y}_t^{fwr} \end{pmatrix} - f_u^Q u_t$$

$$\underbrace{D \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_t^* \\ E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=Y_t} = \underbrace{E \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* \\ \hat{y}_t^{**} \end{pmatrix}}_{:=Y_{t-1}} + \underbrace{-f_u^Q u_t}_{:=U_t}$$

Stability

$$D \cdot Y_t = E \cdot Y_{t-1} + U_t$$

D and E are by construction square matrices

IF D is invertible, then:

$$Y_t = (D^{-1}E)Y_{t-1} + D^{-1}U_t$$

$$= (D^{-1}E)^0 D^{-1}U_t + (D^{-1}E)^1 D^{-1}U_{t-1} + (D^{-1}E)^2 D^{-1}U_{t-2} + (D^{-1}E)^3 D^{-1}U_{t-3} + \dots$$

Stable solution if and only if Eigenvalues of $(D^{-1}E)$ are inside unit circle

BUT: D is typically singular and non-invertible!

Generalized Schur Decomposition

Instead of inverse we'll use a Schur decomposition on matrix pencil $\langle D, E \rangle$:

$$D = QTZ \quad \text{and} \quad E = QSZ$$

Q is orthogonal: $Q' = Q^{-1}$ and $Q'Q = QQ' = I$

Z is orthogonal: $Z' = Z^{-1}$ and $Z'Z = ZZ' = I$

T is upper triangular and S is quasi-upper triangular

MATLAB: `qz(D,E)` provides the transposed decomposition $D = Q'TZ'$ and $E = Q'SZ'$

Generalized Eigenvalues

Enforce stability: look at *Generalized Eigenvalues* of D and E :

$$\lambda_i D v_i = E v_i$$

which can be found on the diagonal of S and T : $\lambda_i = \frac{S_{ii}}{T_{ii}}$

If $T_{ii} = 0$, then: $S_{ii} > 0 \rightarrow \lambda_i = \infty$ and $S_{ii} < 0 \rightarrow \lambda_i = -\infty$

Schur Decomposition on Structural State-Space System

$$QTZ \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_t^* \\ E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} \end{pmatrix} = QSZ \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* \\ \hat{y}_t^{**} \end{pmatrix} - f_u^Q u_t$$

Inserting the policy functions we can simplify:

$$TZ \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = SZ \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \widetilde{U}_t$$

where \widetilde{U}_t collects all terms involving u_t .

Note that $\widetilde{U}_t = 0$, because $F_u = 0$ (see previous slide on Linear Rational Expectations Solution)

Re-ordering of Schur decomposition

Order stable generalized eigenvalues $\lambda_i < 1$ in the upper left corner of T and S :

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ 0 & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^*$$

T_{11} and S_{11} are square matrices and contain stable generalized eigenvalues

T_{22} and S_{22} are square matrices and contain unstable generalized eigenvalues

Impose Stability

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ \textcolor{red}{0} & \textcolor{blue}{T}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ \textcolor{red}{0} & \textcolor{blue}{S}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^*$$

We *DON'T WANT* an explosive solution, so we rule this out by **imposing**:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \textcolor{violet}{XXX} \\ \textcolor{green}{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

such that the lower (explosive) rows are always zero:

$$\textcolor{red}{0} \cdot \textcolor{violet}{XXX} + \textcolor{blue}{T}_{22} \cdot \textcolor{green}{0} = \textcolor{red}{0} \cdot \textcolor{violet}{XXX} + \textcolor{blue}{S}_{22} \cdot \textcolor{green}{0} = 0$$

Impose Stability

$$Z \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} XXX \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Pre-multiply by Z' :

$$\underbrace{Z'Z}_I \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z'_{11} & Z'_{21} \\ Z'_{12} & Z'_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} XXX \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Focusing on the upper rows we get

$$XXX = (Z'_{11})^{-1}$$

Recovering g_x^{**}

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (Z'_{11})^{-1} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the lower rows we can recover g_x^{**} :

$$Z_{21}I + Z_{22}g_x^{**} = 0$$

$$g_x^{**} = -(Z_{22})^{-1}Z_{21}$$

Blanchard & Khan (1980) conditions

1. Order condition:
Squareness of Z_{22} , i.e. requirement to have as many explosive Eigenvalues as forward or mixed endogenous variables
2. Rank condition:
Invertibility of Z_{22} , i.e. full rank of Z_{22}

Blanchard & Khan (1980) conditions

Provided that the rank condition is satisfied, three cases are possible:

UNIQUE STABLE SOLUTION

Number of forward or mixed variables == Number of explosive Eigenvalues

INDETERMINACY

Number of forward or mixed variables > Number of explosive Eigenvalues

EXPLOSIVENESS

Number of forward or mixed variables < Number of explosive Eigenvalues

Recovering g_x^*

Combining $\begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (Z'_{11})^{-1} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ with

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ 0 & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ g_x^{**} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* \text{ we get}$$

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From the first rows we can recover g_x^* :

$$T_{11}(Z'_{11})^{-1} g_x^* = S_{11}(Z'_{11})^{-1}$$

$$g_x^* = (Z'_{11}) T_{11}^{-1} S_{11} (Z'_{11})^{-1}$$

Recovering g_x^{static}

$$Q'_s f_{y_-^*} y_{t-1}^* + Q'_s f_{y_0^{static}} \hat{y}_t^{static} + Q'_s f_{y_0^{pred}} \hat{y}_t^{pred} + Q'_s f_{y_+^{**}} \hat{y}_t^{**} + Q'_s f_{y_+^{**}} E_t y_{t+1}^{**} = - Q'_s f_u u_t$$

Now we focus on the n^{static} lines in $Q' f_{y_0}$ (notation is with inverted hat):

$$\check{f}_{y_-^*}^Q \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \check{f}_{y_0^{static}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{static} + \check{f}_{y_0^{ns}}^Q \hat{y}_t^{ns} + \check{f}_{y_+^{**}}^Q E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}^{**} = - \check{f}_u^Q u_t$$

\hat{y}_t^s are static and \hat{y}_t^{ns} are non-static (i.e. \hat{y}_t^* and \hat{y}_t^{**} combined) variables

Recovering g_x^{static}

Mixed variables appear both in g_x^{**} and g_x^* ; the corresponding lines will be equal, let's call these $\hat{y}_t^{nonstatic}$

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$$\check{f}_{y_-^*}^Q \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \check{f}_{y_0^{static}}^Q g_x^{static} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \check{f}_{y_0^{nonstatic}}^Q g_x^{nonstatic} \hat{y}_{t-1}^* + \check{f}_{y_+^{**}}^Q g_x^{**} g_x^* \hat{y}_{t-1}^* = 0$$

$$g_x^{static} = - \left(\check{f}_{y_0^{static}}^Q \right)^{-1} \left(\check{f}_{y_-^*}^Q + \check{f}_{y_0^{nonstatic}}^Q g_x^{nonstatic} + \check{f}_{y_+^{**}}^Q g_x^{**} g_x^* \right)$$

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Policy function / decision rule: $y_t = \bar{y} + g_x(y_{t-1}^* - \bar{y}^*) + g_u u_t$

1. do a QR decomposition on dynamic Jacobian to get rid of static variables
2. set up the D and E matrices and do a QZ/Schur decomposition with re-ordering
3. $g_x^{**} = -(Z_{22})^{-1}Z_{21}$ $g_x^* = (Z'_{11})T_{11}^{-1}S_{11}(Z'_{11})^{-1}$
 $g_x^{static} = -\left(\check{f}_{y_0^{static}}^Q\right)^{-1} \left(\check{f}_{y_-^*}^Q + \check{f}_{y_0^{nonstatic}}^Q g_x^{nonstatic} + \check{f}_{y_+^{**}}^Q g_x^{**} g_x^*\right)$
4. $g_u = -A^{-1}f_u$ where $A = f_{y_0} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vdots & f_{y_+^{**}} g_x^{**} & \vdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$