

# Outroduction

Introduction to Programming and Numerical Analysis

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Introduction

# Introduction

- We are almost at the end!
- We hope that you have enjoyed the course, and will use programming in your further economics education/work.
- The final exam is a portfolio exam
  - The 3 projects you have created during the course.
  - A new exam assignment, you'll have 48 hours to answer.

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**Course overview** 

### Course overview

- Fundamentals: Print, plot, optimize, simulate, structure, document, work-flow.
- Working with data: Fetch, combine, split-apply-combine, visualize.
- Algorithms: Pseudo code, algorithms, complexity, solve, optimization, symbolic.
- Further perspectives: Structural estimation, vectorization, parallelization, timing, numba.

While working with the material, you should hopefully also have gained the ability to **reformulate** mathematical models into code.

**All model notebooks** (ASAD, Labor supply, Consumer problem, Production economy, Random numbers example, OLG, Ramsey) are relevant to revisit.

**E**xam project

# **Problems**

- **Structure:** 3 problems with 3-6 sub-questions. Most problems are on solving and simulating models and analyzing their implications graphically and numerically. There can also be problems on working with data, and on algorithms.
- Examples of a model problems
  - 1. Solve consumer or firm problems (with non-standard constraints)
  - 2. Solve and simulate an AS-AD model
  - 3. Solve for the Walras-equilibrium in an exchange economy
  - 4. Solve an extended Solow model
  - 5. Solve a two period dynamic optimization problem
  - ⇒ similar to the problems in the problem sets
- Curriculum: Lecture notebooks (except notebooks and sections marked with +)
- Packages: No new packages are required, and using non-standard packages are actively discouraged.

# **Answering**

- 1. Focus on answering the questions nothing more, nothing less
- 2. Explain your **method in words** (or with an algorithm)
- 3. Structure and comment your code!
- 4. Explain your results in words
- 5. Partial answers, attempts and considerations are also awarded (something on everything is better than a lot on a few questions)
  - If you think there is an error in your code, but you can't/don't have time to fix it, addressing this in words is a **huge** plus.

**Disclaimer:** Solving the full exam project in depth will be hard.

Use of AI is allowed. Guide to integrate with VS Code in the bottom of this page.

# Hand-in

- You should hand-in a single zip-file named with your groupname only.
- The zip-file should contain:
  - 1. A general README.md for your portfolio
  - 2. Your inaugural project (in the folder /inauguralproject)
  - 3. Your data analysis project (in the folder /dataproject)
  - 4. Your model analysis project (in the folder /modelproject)
  - 5. Your exam project (in the folder /examproject)
- If you've uploaded everything to GitHub, you can download a zip of your repository from there (press the green 'code'-button)



Your to-do

# To-do before the exam

- 0. Please answer the course evaluation you have gotten over mail.
- 1. Model project peer feedback before May 19.
- 2. **Polish up** your 3 projects so they are ready for the exam.
- 3. Exam problems preparation.

Many ways to do that:

- Look at earlier exams to get a sense of the kind of questions you'll get
- Get an overview of the contents of the lecture and exercise notebooks. → Fill knowledge gaps.
- Go through the lectures that cover solving economic models (ASAD, Labor supply, Consumer problem, Production economy, Random numbers example, OLG, Ramsey).
  - Make sure you understand them, for example by changing them or rewriting the code to solve them yourself.
- Resolve the exercises.
- Try to solve earlier exams.

# Questions

- Any questions now?
- Online: https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/IntroProg-lectures/issues

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https://sites.google.com/view/numeconcph/home

Forms questions

Exercises 6 and 7

# 2023 exam examples