

A Simple SFC Macroeconomic Model

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Two kinds of Money:

- Outside/High-Powered Money—>Created by government
- Inside Money—> Created by banks when they make loans
- Simple model with only outside money



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How do the balance sheets and the transaction-flow matrix look like?





	Households	Production	Government	\sum
Cash-Money Stock	+H	0	-H	0
Sum (net worth)	NW_h	$NW_f = 0$	NW_g	0

Table: Balance-sheet matrix



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Wages	$+W \times N_s$	$-W \times N_d$		0
Taxes-transfers	$-T_s$		$+T_d$	0
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So we need to specify the same number of equations



Demand=Supply 1 Model SIM

- $C_s = C_d$
- $G_s = G_d$
- $T_s = T_d$
- $N_s = N_d$



How do markets adjust so that Demand=Supply?

- Price clearing
- Rationing—when Supply≠Demand—>Rigidities—>adjustment is done on the short side of the market
- Inventories
- Output adjustment

- Disposable Income: $YD = W \times N_s T_s$
- Taxes are a fixed proportion of income: $T_d = \theta Y = \theta \times W \times N_s$, where $\theta < 1$



Consumption Function

1 Model SIM

$$C_d = a_1 \times YD + a_2H_{h-1}$$

where
$$0 < a_1 < a_2 < 1$$



Change in demand and Supply of Financial Assets

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Change in demand and Supply of Financial Assets 1 Model SIM

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$$\Delta H_s = H_h - H_{h-1} = YD - C_d$$

Output and Employment 1 Model SIM

$$Y = C_s + G_s$$

$$Y = W \times N_d$$

so
$$N_d = Y/W$$

11 equations for 11 unknowns

1.
$$C_s = C_d$$

2.
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3.
$$T_s = T_d$$

4.
$$N_s = N_d$$

5.
$$YD = W \times N_s - T_s$$

6.
$$T_d = \theta Y = \theta \times W \times N_s$$

7.
$$C_d = a_1 \times YD + a_2H_{h-1}$$

8.
$$H_s = H_{s-1} + G_d - T_d$$

9.
$$H_h = H_{h-1} + YD - C_d$$

10.
$$Y = C_s + G_s$$

11.
$$N_d = Y/W$$



The solution for each period depends on the stock variables created in the previous period; and will create the stock variables necessary for the solution of the next period....



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- Walras' law—>Redundant equation: $\Delta H_s = \Delta H_d$
- We have to drop it because system would otherwise be over-determined

o Levy Economics o Institute Short-run equilibrium of Bard College 1 Model SIM

Let $\theta = 0.2$, $a_1 = 0.6$ and $a_2 = 0.4$

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	G	0	20		
	Y = G + C	0	?		
	$T = \theta Y$	0	?		
	YD = Y - T	0	?		
	$C = a_1 Y D + a_2 H_{h-1}$	0	?		
	$\Delta H_s = G - T$	0	?		
	$\Delta H_h = YD - C$	0	?		
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Short-run equilibrium 1 Model SIM

- Solve for Y
- Let $\theta = 0.2$, $a_1 = 0.6$ and $a_2 = 0.4$
- Solve it in .R!!!



Short-run equilibria

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Period	1	2	3	∞
\overline{G}	0	20	20	20
Y = G + C	0	38.5	47.9	100
$T = \theta Y$	0	7.7	9.6	20
YD = Y - T	0	30.8	38.3	80
$C = a_1 Y D + a_2 H_{h-1}$	0	18.5	27.9	80
$\Delta H_s = G - T$	0	12.3	10.4	0
$\Delta H_h = YD - C$	0	12.3	10.4	0
$H = \Delta H + H_{-1}$	0	12.3	22.7	80



- The long run equilibrium is defined as the state where the various-stock flow ratios remain stable
- In this simple model the long-run equilibrium is stationary; the output does not grow
- So, in the long run equilibrium the stocks are constant.

• What is the long run value of income?

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- So, $\Delta H_s = 0 \Longrightarrow G T = 0 \Longrightarrow G = T = \theta Y \Longrightarrow Y^* = G/\theta$
- G/θ is sometimes called fiscal stance

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Also,
$$\Delta H_h = 0 \Longrightarrow YD - C = 0 \Longrightarrow YD = C \Longrightarrow YD^* = \frac{G(1-\theta)}{\theta}$$

• What is the long run value of the money stock?

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- $C = a_1 YD + a_2 H_{-1} \Longrightarrow YD = a_1 YD + a_2 H \Longrightarrow$

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$$\Longrightarrow H^* = \left[\frac{1-a_1}{a_2}\right] Y D^* = a_3 Y D^* = a_3 \frac{G(1-\theta)}{\theta}$$

- Plot Y
- Plot, YD, C
- Plot Wealth (H), Hhold Saving (ΔH)

The Cons. Fnc as a Wealth Accumulation fnc

- $C = YD \Delta H_h$
- $C = YD \Delta H_h = a_1 YD + a_2 H_{h-1} \Longrightarrow$
- $\Delta H_h = (1 a_1)YD a_2H_{h-1} \Longrightarrow$
- $\Delta H_h = a_2 \left[a_3 Y D H_{h-1} \right]$

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$$\Delta H_h = a_2 \left[a_3 Y D - H_{h-1} \right] = a_2 \left(V^T - H_{h-1} \right)$$

- Households adjust their wealth towards a certain proportion of their disposable income $a_3 = \frac{1-a_1}{a_2}$
- a_2 is the adjustment parameter
- Plot V^T , C, W



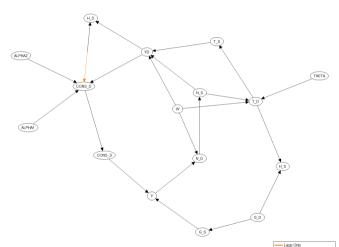
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- Calculate and plot C, YD, Wealth (H) when a_1 increases from 0.6 to 0.7



Dependency Graph 1 Model SIM



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- $\bullet \quad C_d = a_1 Y D^e + a_2 H_{h-1}$
- What else changes?

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- $H_h H_d = YD YD^e$



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- $\bullet \quad \Delta H_d = H_d H_{d-1} = YD^e C_d$
- And a specification for expectations: $YD^e = YD_{-1}$



1 Model SIM

Expectations—Short-run equilibria

Period	1	2	3	∞	
T T	0	20			
V = G + C	0	?			
$T = \theta Y$	0	?			
YD = Y - T	0				
$YD^e = YD_{-1}$	0				
$C = a_1 Y D^e + a_2 H_{h-1}$	0				
$\Delta H_s = G - T$	0				
$\Delta H_h = YD - C$	0				
$H = \Delta H + H_{-1}$	0				
$\Delta H_d = YD^e - C$	0				
$H_d = \Delta H_d + H_{-1}$	0				> ← ∅ > ← ≧ > ← ≧



- Assume that expectations do not change
- What happens?
- Start from the previous equilibrium and assume G=25 and YD^e is constant



$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Dependency Graph} \\ {}^{1} \ \operatorname{Model SIM} \end{array}$

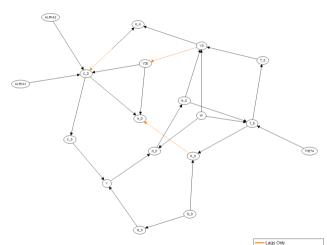




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Steps to simulate a time-series macro-model

1. Specification of time range

2 Simulations

- 2. Definition of variables
- 3. Definition of equations
- 4. Calibration/Estimation
- 5. Initialization
- 6. Solve!!!



- 1. Changes in exogenous variables/parameters.
- 2. Solve again!!!
- 3. (Baseline+Scenarios)

- 1. How may of the properties of the model depend on the specific calibration
- 2. Possibility of multiple equilibria
- 3. Thus, initial values matter...



In the model SIM of chapter 3, starting from a stationary state simulate the effect of an increase in government expenditure under four variations of the model:

- 1. the simple deterministic model of the book
- 2. a model with simple adaptive expectations $YD^e = YD_{-2}$
- 3. a model where expected disposable income depends upon its past value net of the increase in government deficit disposable income: $YD^e = YD_{-1} (G T)$
- 4. a model where expected disposable income is always constant and equal to 25: $YD^e=25$

Plot $in\ the\ same\ graph$ the trajectory of output from the original stationary state to the new one.

Discuss.





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