Global Economy Equilibrium Scenario Builder

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What Are We Developing?

- A modular framework rather than a single model
- Scenario builder based on a DSGE core
- Cover a wide spectrum of real and financial economy aspects, less emphasis on deep disaggregation
- Pragmatic features
- Balanced growth path
- Ease of operation and judgmental adjustments

Current Stage

- Work in progress, under continuous development
- Robust core engine
- A number of prototypes
- Would like to hear feedback about the GPMN member preferences

Key Modules

- Demography
- Households
- Production
- Non-Commodity Exports
- Commodities
- Monetary Policy
- Fiscal Policy

Demography

- Total population
- Working age population
- Labor force (labor participation)

Outside the demography module:

• Per-worker labor supply (e.g. per-worker hours worked)

Total Population

Global Population Trend Component

$$egin{align} \Delta \log n n_t^{gg} &=
ho_{nn^{gg}} \Delta \log n n_{t-1}^{gg} + (1-
ho_{nn^{gg}}) \Delta \log \kappa_{nn} \ & \kappa_{nn} &= rac{n n_{ ext{ss}}^{gg}}{n n_{ ext{ss}-1}^{gg}} \end{aligned}$$

Area/Country Total Population

$$nn_t = nr_t \cdot nn_t^{gg} \ \log(nr_t) =
ho_{nr} \log nr_{t-1} + (1-
ho_{nr}) \log nr_{ ext{ss}}$$

Labor Market Population

Working age population

$$egin{split} rac{nw_t}{nn_t} &=
ho_{nw} \, rac{nw_{t-1}}{nn_{t-1}} + \left(1 -
ho_{nw}
ight) \kappa_{nw} + \epsilon_{nw,t} \ \kappa_{nw} &= rac{nw_{ ext{ss}}}{nn_{ ext{ss}}} \end{split}$$

Labor force (participation rate)

$$egin{align} rac{nf_t}{nw_t} &=
ho_{nf} rac{nf_{t-1}}{nw_{t-1}} + \left(1 -
ho_{nf}
ight) \kappa_{nf} + \epsilon_{nf,t} \ \kappa_{nf} &= rac{nf_{ ext{ss}}}{nw_{ ext{ss}}} \end{aligned}$$

Households

- Representative household with a growing number of members
- Current income effect
- Net worth effect

Choices Made by Households

- Demand consumption goods
- Demand for investment goods and capital accumulation
- Utilization of capital
- Labor supply
- Demand for (bank) deposits
- Demand for (bank) loans

Lifetime Utility Function

Representative household with a growing number of members

$$ext{E}_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\log rac{ch_t - ch_t^{ ext{ref}}}{nn_t} - rac{1}{1+\eta} \cdot n{h_t}^{\eta} +
u_1 \cdot \log rac{netw_t}{pch_t \cdot nn_t}
ight) nn_t$$

Nominal net worth

$$netw_t = pkh_t \cdot kh_t + bd_t - bl_t$$

Point of reference in household consumption

$$ch_t^{ ext{ref}} = \chi \cdot rac{curr_t}{pch_t} \ \ curr_t = w_t \cdot nh_t \cdot nf_t - txl1_t$$

| Variable | Description |
|-----------------|--|
| ch_t | Household consumption |
| $ch_t^{ m ref}$ | Point of reference in household consumption |
| nf_t | Labor force |
| nh_t | Per-worker labor supply (e.g. per-worker hours worked) |
| $netw_t$ | Nominal net worth of households |
| $curr_t$ | Nominal current income of households |
| $txl1_t$ | Net lump-sum taxes (transfers) of type 1 |

Budget Constraint

$$egin{aligned} bd_t - bl_t &= rbd_{t-1} \cdot bd_{t-1} - rbl_{t-1} \cdot bl_{t-1} \ &+ w_t \cdot nh_t \cdot nf_t + puk_t \cdot u_t \cdot k_t + zy_t + zb_t \ &- pch_t \cdot ch_t - pih_t \cdot ih_t \ &- txl1_t - txl2_t - adj_t \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange multiplier associated with the budget constraint is denoted by vh_t (shadow value of nominal household wealth)

| Variable | Description |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| bd_t | Bank deposits |
| bl_t | Bank loans |
| w_t | Nominal wage rate |
| zy_t | Profits from producers |
| zb_t | Profits from financial sector |
| jh_t | Adjustment costs faced by households |
| $txl1_t$ | Type 1 net lump-sum taxes (transfers) |
| $txl2_t$ | Type 2 net lump-sum taxes (transfers) |

Household Adjustment Costs

- Investment adjustment costs
- Reference point in capital accumulation
- Cost of utilization of capital

$$egin{aligned} jh_t &= rac{1}{2} \; \xi_{ih} \cdot pih_t \cdot ih_t \; (\Delta \log ih_t - \log \kappa_{ih})^2 \ &+ rac{1}{2} \; \xi_k \cdot pkh_t \cdot kh_t \; igl(\log kh_t - \log kh_t^{ ext{ref}} igr)^2 \ &+ py_t \cdot kh_t \cdot igl(v_0 \cdot u_t igr)^{v_1} \end{aligned}$$

Point of reference in capital accumulation

$$kh_t^{ ext{ref}} = \mathrm{E}_t \Big[kh_{t+1} \cdot \kappa_{kh}^{-1} \Big]$$

Steady-state adjustment constants

$$\kappa_{ih} = rac{i h_{
m ss}}{i h_{
m ss-1}} \hspace{1cm} \kappa_{kh} = rac{k h_{
m ss}}{k h_{
m ss-1}}$$

Capital Accumulation

$$kh_t = (1-\delta)\ kh_{t-1} + ih_t$$

Lagrange multiplier associated with the capital accumulation constraint is denoted by pkh_t (shadow price of capital)

| Variable | Description |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| kh_t | Stock of production capital |
| ih_t | Investment in production capital |

Finance Contraint

Sufficient amount of means of payment needs to be held proportional to gross expenditures (consumption, investment, trade in capital)

$$bd_t = \phi \Big(pch_t \cdot ch_t + pih_t \cdot ih_t + \phi_k \cdot pkh_t \cdot kh_t \Big)$$

Real Wage Rigidities

Real wages are sluggish in their response to changes in optimal flexible wage rate; no expliciti microfoundations

$$\log rac{w_t}{pch_t} =
ho_w \, \log \Bigl(\kappa_w \cdot rac{w_{t-1}}{pch_{t-1}} \Bigr) + (1-
ho_w) \, \log rac{w0_t}{pch_t} + \epsilon_{w,t}$$

Steady-state adjustment constant

$$\kappa_w = rac{w_{ ext{ss}} \cdot pch_{ ext{ss}-1}}{w_{ ext{ss}-1} \cdot pch_{ ext{ss}}}$$

| Variable | Description |
|----------|--|
| $w0_t$ | Optimal flexible nominal wage rate as if optimized by households |
| w_t | Actual nominal wage rate |

Production

- Technology choice production function
- Several pairwise stages of production
- Input factors
 - Labor
 - Intermediate imports
 - Commodity inputs
 - Capital
- Real flexibilities to flatten the marginal cost schedule
 - Variable utilization of capital
 - Roundabout production
- Sticky prices

Productivity

Global productivity component

$$\Delta \log a_t^{gg} =
ho_a \ \Delta \log a_{t-1}^{gg} + (1-
ho_a) \log \kappa_a$$
 $\kappa_a = rac{a_{ ext{ss}}^{gg}}{a_{ ext{ss}-1}^{gg}}$

Area/Country relative productivity component

$$\log ar_t =
ho_{ar} \, \log ar_{t-1} + (1-
ho_a r) \, \log ar_{
m ss}$$

Area/Country productivity

$$a_t = aa_t^{gg} \cdot ar_t$$

Technology Choice Production Function

Short-run CES technology

$$y_t = F(ak_t \cdot k_t, an_t \cdot n_t)$$

subject to a long-run technology frontier

$$G(ak_t, an_t) = a_t$$

with adjustment costs

$$\frac{1}{2} \xi \cdot p y_t \cdot y_t \left(\log \frac{a k_t}{a n_t} - \log \frac{a k_{t-1}}{a n_{t-1}} \right)^2$$

Leontief-Cobb-Douglas Case

Short-run Leontief

$$y_t = ak_t \cdot k_t$$
$$y_t = an_t \cdot n_t$$

Long-run Cobb-Douglas

$$ak_t^{\gamma} \cdot an_t^{1-\gamma} = a_t$$

Without adjustment costs, this is perfectly equivalent (up to a scale constant) to

$$y_t = a_t \cdot k_t{}^{\gamma} \cdot n_t{}^{1-\gamma}$$

Production Stages

Combine imports from other areas

$$m_t = F_4\left(m_t^1, \ldots, m_t^A
ight) \ m_t = mm_t + mch_t + mih_t + mcg_t + mih_t + mxx_t$$

Combine non-commodity variable factors

$$y3_t = F_3 \Big[mm_t, \; \left(nh_t - \gamma_{n0} \cdot nh_{ ext{ss}}
ight) \cdot nf_t \Big]$$

Combine variable factors with capital

$$y2_t = F_2 \Big(ukh_t, \; kg_t, \; y3_t \Big) \ ukh_t = u_t \cdot kh_t$$

Add dependence on commodity inputs

$$y1_t = F_1\Big(y2_t,\ mq_t\Big)$$

Add a roundabout production layer and sticky prices

$$y_t - z_t = F_0(y1_t,\ z_t)$$
 $y_t = ych_t + yih_t + ycg_t + yig_t + yxx_t$

Sticky Prices

Maximize profits

$$py_t \cdot y_t \ (1+jp_t) - py0_t \cdot y0_t$$

with the price adjustment costs given by

$$jp_t = rac{1}{2} \; \xi_{py} \; \Bigl(\Delta \log p y_t - \Delta \log p y_t^{ ext{ref}} \Bigr)^2$$

Point of reference in price setting

$$egin{align} \Delta \log p y_t^{ ext{ref}} &= \zeta_{py} \Delta \log p y_{t-1} + (1-\zeta_{py}) \log \kappa_{py} \ & \kappa_{py} &= rac{p y_{ ext{ss}}}{p y_{ ext{ss}-1}} \end{aligned}$$

Production Sector Total Profits

$$zy_t = py_t \cdot y0_t \ (1-jy_t) - pm_t \cdot mm_t - w_t \cdot nh_t \cdot nf_t - puk_t \cdot uk_t - puk_t \cdot nf_t$$

Final Goods Assembly

$$ch = F\Big(ych_t,\ mch_t\Big)$$

Monetary Policy

- Inflation targeting reaction function
- Exchange rate peg
- Inflation targeting with exchange rate management

Fiscal

- Government consumpiton and investment
- Government debt placed locally
- Lump-sum taxes
- Crowding-in in the short run
- Crowding-out in the long run

Fiscal Budget Constraing

$$dg_t = rg_{t-1} \cdot dg_{t-1} + pcg_t \cdot cg_t + pig_t \cdot ig_t - txl1_t - txl2_t$$

Public Capital

$$kg_t = (1 - \delta) kg_{t-1} + ig_t$$

Target level for public capital

$$kg_t^{\mathrm{tar}} = \psi \cdot kh_t$$

Investment rule

$$\Delta \log i g_t = \log \kappa_{ig} + au_{ig} \left(\log k g_t - k g_t^{ ext{tar}}
ight)
onumber \ \kappa_{ig} = rac{i g_{ ext{ss}}}{i g_{ ext{ss}-1}}$$

Government Consumption and Taxes

 Stabilizing mechanism to keep debt at a target level as a ratio to nominal GDP

$$\frac{dg_t}{ngdp_t}$$

• A wide range of mechanisms to stabilize debt

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