

# Analyzing Heterogeneous Agent Models in Sequence Space

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## Lectures

- **Lecture 1. Recap of consumption-saving and stationary equilibrium**

Concepts: Buffet-stock saving, stationary equilibrium, numerical dynamic programming, deterministic histogram simulation, endogenous grid point method

Material: *Slides*

- **Lecture 2. Transitional dynamics in sequence space**

Concepts: Sequence-space, blocks, DAG, Jacobian, fake-news algorithm, driving forces

Material: [Auclert et al. \(2021a\)](#)<sup>1</sup>; [Druehdahl \(2023\)](#)

- **Lecture 3. Aggregate risk, linearized dynamics and analytical analysis**

Concepts: First order solution, intertemporal Keynesian cross, simulation, estimation

Material: [Auclert et al. \(2021a\)](#); [Boppart et al. \(2018\)](#); [Auclert et al. \(2023\)](#)

- **Lecture 4. Examples: Open-Economy HANK + HANK with search-and-matching (SAM)**

Concepts: Policy analysis, endogenous idiosyncratic risk, discrete choices, bounded rationality

Material, Open-Economy:

[Auclert et al. \(2021b\)](#); [Druehdahl et al. \(2022\)](#); [Bellifemine et al. \(2023\)](#)

Material, HANK-SAM:

[Broer et al. \(2023a,b\)](#); [Bardóczy and Guerreiro \(2023\)](#)

Material: [Auclert et al. \(2020\)](#)

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<sup>1</sup> See the [SSJ toolkit](#).

# **Plan**

## **Monday**

- Lecture 1: 9:00 - 10:00
- Lecture 2: 10:00 - 12:00
- Introduction to code and exercises: 15:00 - 17:30

## **Tuesday**

- Lecture 3: 15:00 - 17:30

## **Thursday**

- Lecture 4: 14:00 - 17:00

## Suggested preparation

You should refresh the following economic and computational concepts:

1. **Economics:** Stationary equilibrium, transition path, New Keynesian model
2. **Computational:** Numerical dynamic programming, endogenous grid point method

The code examples given will be in Python. To work actively with these:

1. Look through [QuantEcon cheatsheet](#) for MATLAB vs. Python.
2. Install [Anaconda Individual Edition Python 3.11](#)
3. Install [VSCode](#)
4. Download or clone repository [GEModelTools](#)
5. Open Anaconda Prompt:
  - (a) Run *pip install QuantEcon, EconModel, ConSav*
  - (b) Locate folder with GEModelTools
  - (c) Run *pip install -e .*

### Notes:

1. For more on using Python see the course [Introduction to Programming and Numerical Analysis](#)
2. These lectures builds on the course [Advanced Macroeconomics: Heterogenous Agent Models](#)

## Code-packages

### 1. **GEModelTools:**

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/GEModelTools](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/GEModelTools)

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/GEModelToolsNotebooks](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/GEModelToolsNotebooks)

My version of the [SSJ](#) toolbox

### 2. **EconModel:**

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/EconModel](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/EconModel)

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/EconModelNotebooks](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/EconModelNotebooks)

### 3. **ConSav:**

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/ConsumptionSaving](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/ConsumptionSaving)

[github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/ConsumptionSavingNotebooks](https://github.com/NumEconCopenhagen/ConsumptionSavingNotebooks)

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