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IT Spillovers in TFP

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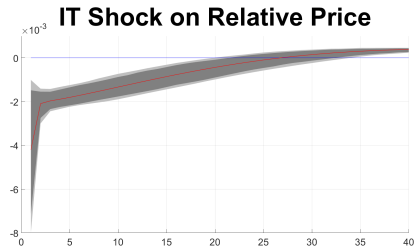
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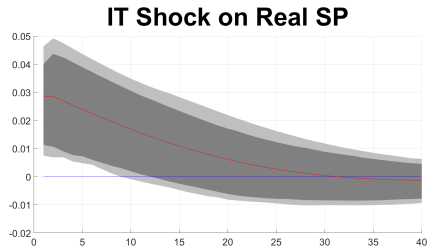
Topics of today's discussion

- ① L'Huillier's structure-related comment: disentangling news shocks is just a robustness check
- ② \hookrightarrow taking up on that, a “just IT” identification in the VAR
- ③ the structural model: implementing a noise shock

2) “Just IT” identification

A rotation of shocks that maximizes the impact effect on IT investment s.t. a 0 impact response on TFP.





3) Model

$$y_{c,t} = N_t \Gamma_{c,t} k_{i,t}^\gamma h_{1,t}^{1-a-b} k_{c,1,t}^a k_{i,1,t}^b \quad (1)$$

$$y_{i,t} = N_t \Gamma_{i,t} k_{i,t}^\gamma h_{2,t}^{1-a-b} k_{c,2,t}^a k_{i,2,t}^b \quad (2)$$

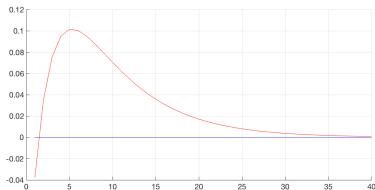
The uses of the outputs are

$$y_{c,t} = c_t + i_{c,t} \quad \text{and} \quad y_{i,t} = i_{i,t}$$

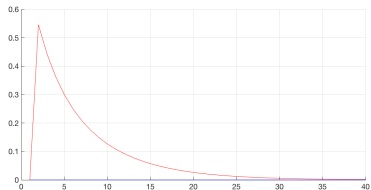
- Noise shock (contemporaneous) is η , $E_t \Gamma_{i,t} = \Gamma_{i,t} + \eta_t$

Model responses

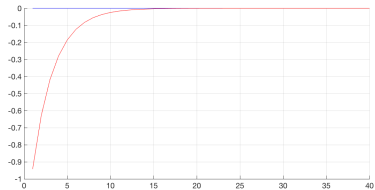
Noise on C



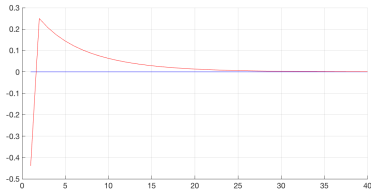
Noise on KI



Noise on P



Noise on YC



- Estimate the spillover parameter γ through IR-matching
- Robustness checks / improving the VAR / completing the VECM
- Your thoughts?