

Problem Set #2

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Exercise 1

For the Brock and Mirman model, using Uhlig's notation, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned}F &= \beta \frac{\alpha \bar{K}^{\alpha-1}}{\bar{K}^\alpha - \bar{K}}, \\G &= -\beta \frac{\alpha \bar{K}^{\alpha-1} (\alpha + \bar{K}^{\alpha-1})}{\bar{K}^\alpha - \bar{K}}, \\H &= \beta \frac{\alpha^2 \bar{K}^{2(\alpha-1)}}{\bar{K}^\alpha - \bar{K}}, \\L &= -\beta \frac{\alpha \bar{K}^{2\alpha-1}}{\bar{K}^\alpha - \bar{K}}, \\M &= \beta \frac{\alpha^2 \bar{K}^{2(\alpha-1)}}{\bar{K}^\alpha - \bar{K}}, \\N &= \rho,\end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{K} = A^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$ and $A = \alpha\beta$. The policy function is given by

$$K_{t+1} = \bar{K} + P (K_t - \bar{K}) + Qz_t,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}P &= \frac{-G \pm \sqrt{G^2 - 4FH}}{2F}, \\Q &= -\frac{LN + M}{FN + FP + G}.\end{aligned}$$

From Exercise 1 in Problem Set # 1, we know that the algebraic solution is given by $K_{t+1} = \alpha\beta e^{z_t} K_t^\alpha$.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS2.ipynb”.

Exercise 2

From the previous exercise we know that $K_{t+1} = \bar{K} + P (K_t - \bar{K}) + Qz_t$. Substituting $K \equiv \ln k$, we have that $k_{t+1} = \exp\{\bar{K} + P (\ln k_t - \bar{K}) + Qz_t\}$.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS2.ipynb”.

Exercise 3

We know that

$$E_t \left\{ F\tilde{X}_{t+1} + G\tilde{X}_t + H\tilde{X}_{t-1} + L\tilde{Z}_{t+1} + M\tilde{Z}_t \right\} = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{Z}_t &= N\tilde{Z}_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \\ \tilde{X}_t &= P\tilde{X}_{t-1} + Q\tilde{Z}_t.\end{aligned}$$

With some tedious algebra we have that

$$\begin{aligned}E_t \left\{ F\tilde{X}_{t+1} + G\tilde{X}_t + H\tilde{X}_{t-1} + L\tilde{Z}_{t+1} + M\tilde{Z}_t \right\} &= 0, \\ \iff E_t \left\{ F \left(P\tilde{X}_t + Q\tilde{Z}_{t+1} \right) + G \left(P\tilde{X}_{t-1} + Q\tilde{Z}_t \right) + H\tilde{X}_{t-1} + L \left(N\tilde{Z}_t + \varepsilon_{t+1} \right) + M\tilde{Z}_t \right\} &= 0, \\ \iff FP \left(P\tilde{X}_{t-1} + Q\tilde{Z}_t \right) + FQN\tilde{Z}_t + GP\tilde{X}_{t-1} + GQ\tilde{Z}_t + H\tilde{X}_{t-1} + LN\tilde{Z}_t + M\tilde{Z}_t &= 0, \\ \iff \left[FPP + GP + H \right] \tilde{X}_{t-1} + \left[FPQ + FQN + GQ + LN + M \right] \tilde{Z}_t &= 0, \\ \iff \left[(FP + G)P + H \right] \tilde{X}_{t-1} + \left[(FQ + L)N + (FP + G)Q + M \right] \tilde{Z}_t &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4

This problem is the same presented in Problem Set #1, Exercise 6.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS1.ipynb”.

Exercise 5

This problem is the same presented in Problem Set #1, Exercise 7.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS1.ipynb”.

Exercise 6

For the numerical solution of this exercise, I strictly follow the Jupyter Notebook “DSGEexample_key.ipynb” provided in the GitHub repository for the course.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS2.ipynb”.

Exercise 7

For the numerical solution of this exercise, I strictly follow the Jupyter Notebooks “DSGEexample_key.ipynb” and “DSGE_LinApp.ipynb” provided in the GitHub repository for the course.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS2.ipynb”.

Exercise 9

For the numerical solution of this exercise, I strictly follow the Jupyter Notebook “DSGEexample_key.ipynb” provided in the GitHub repository for the course.

Please, look at the computational part on the Jupyter Notebook “PS2.ipynb”.