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Adv. Macro: Heterogenous Agent Models

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 - Druedahl, Ravn, Sunder-Plassmann, Sundram, & Waldstrøm (2024) »The Transmission of Foreign Demand Shocks«
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- **Active decisions:** Consumption-saving, c_{it} (and a_{it})
- **Union decision:** Labor supply, ℓ_t
- **Aggregate Consumption:** $C_t^{hh} = \int c_{it} d\mathcal{D}_{it}$
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- Note: Usual macro convention, an increase in E_t corresponds to a **depreciation**
 - So $E_t = 7,46$ between DKK and EURO for instance

- Production and profits:

$$Y_t = L_t$$
$$\Pi_t = \frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t} Y_t - \frac{W_t}{P_t} L_t$$

- First order condition:

$$\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t} \frac{1}{\mu} = w_t$$

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- where $r_t = r_{t+1}^a$ the ex-ante interest rate, r_t^* is the foreign real interest rate, $Q_t = \frac{E_t}{P_t} P_t^*$ is the **real exchange rate**

- Everybody works the same:

$$\ell_t = L_t^{hh}$$

- Maximization subject to wage adjustment cost imply a **New Keynesian Wage (Phillips) Curve** (NKWPC or NKWC)

$$\pi_t^w = \kappa \left(\varphi (L_t^{hh})^\nu - \frac{1}{\mu} w_t (C_t^{hh})^{-\sigma} \right) + \beta \pi_{t+1}^w$$

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- Current account and net foreign asset position are related by [Walras]:

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Market clearing

1. Labor market: $L_t = L_t^{hh}$
2. Goods market (Version 1)

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3. Goods market (Version 2)

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- with $\chi = \eta(1 - \alpha) + \eta^*$ being the *trade elasticity*
 - Captures the elasticity of net exports to changes in relative prices (the real EXR Q)
 - Typically called *expenditure switching*
 - If the DKK appreciates ($d\mathbf{Q} \downarrow$) against the USD both DK HHs and US HHs will **substitute toward** US goods ($d\mathbf{Y} \downarrow$)

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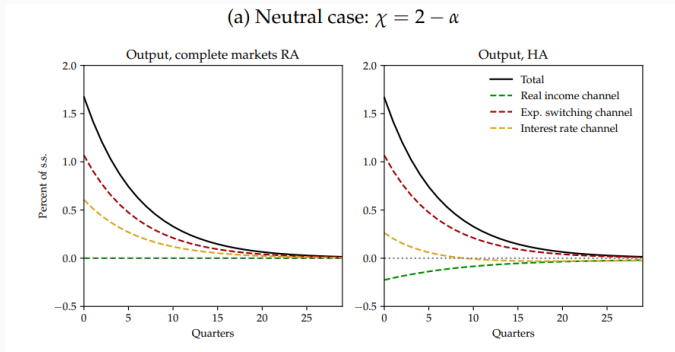
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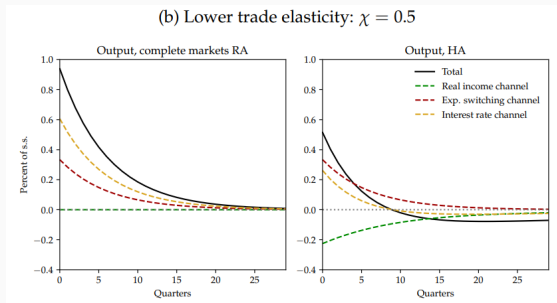
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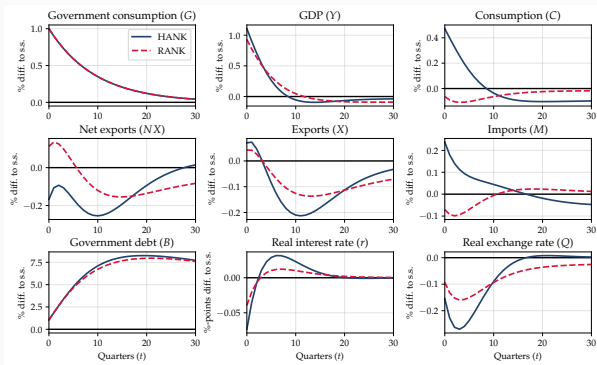
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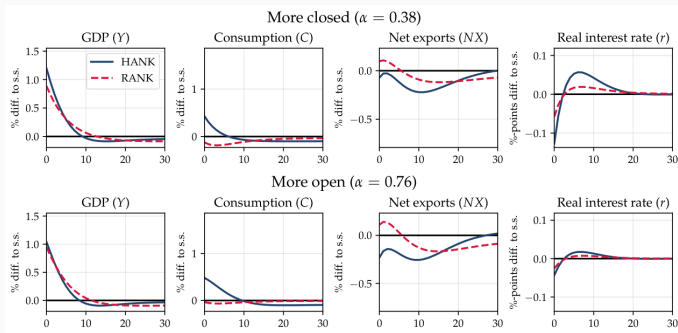
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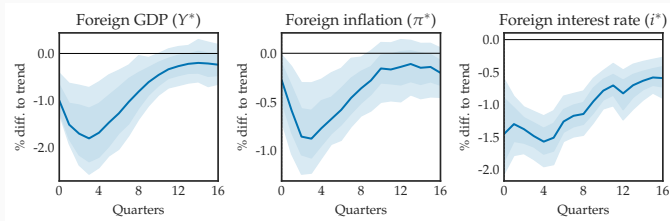
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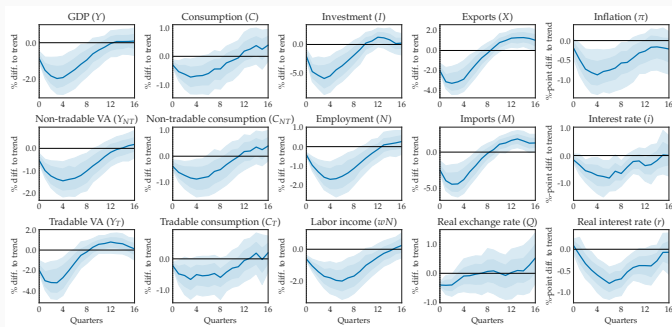
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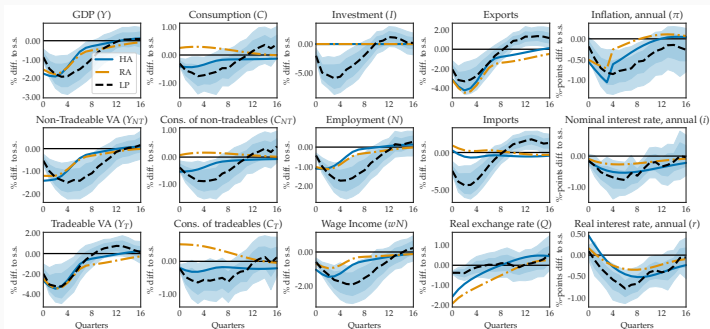
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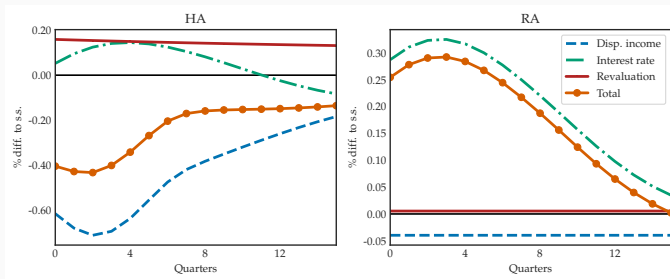
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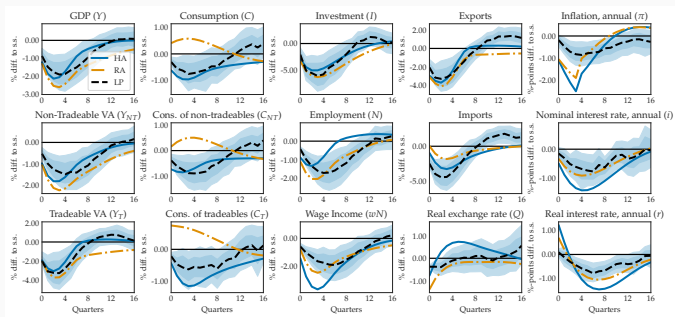
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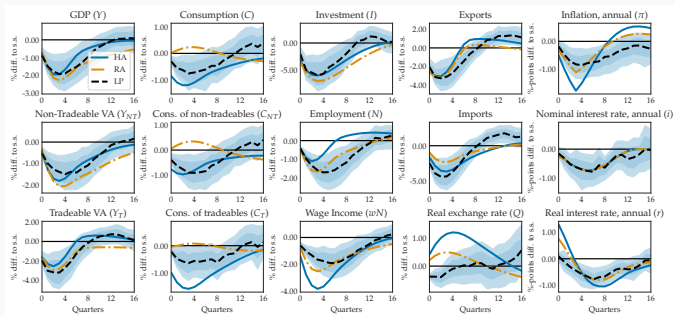
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- Fiscal policy loads on NT sector \Rightarrow Very asymmetric effects, barely helps HHs in T sector
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 - Need targeted transfers

Conclusion

- How does heterogeneity affect transmission of shocks and policies in SOEs?
 - Monetary policy - Likely to be less effective due to real income channel of EXR
 - Fiscal policy - Closer to RANK multipliers due to crowding out of NX
 - Foreign demand shocks - larger transmission to domestic spending

- Covered 3 papers here: Other papers in the literature on HANK in open economies include:
 1. Guo, X., Ottonello, P., & Perez, D. J. (2023) *Monetary policy and redistribution in open economies*
 - Redistributive effects of monetary policy in SOEs
 2. Aggarwal, R., Auclert, A., Rognlie, M., & Straub, L. (2023). *Excess savings and twin deficits: The transmission of fiscal stimulus in open economies*
 - Fiscal stimulus in a multi-country model
 3. De Ferra, S., Mitman, K., & Romei, F. (2020). *Household heterogeneity and the transmission of foreign shocks*
 - Effects of exchange rate depreciations when HHs have foreign currency debt
 4. Bayer, C., Kriwoluzky, A., Müller, G. J., & Seyrich, F. (2024). *A HANK² model of monetary unions*. *Journal of Monetary Economics*
 - A 2-country HANK model

Summary

Summary and next week

- **Today:** Small open economy HANK models
- **Next week:**
 - Advanced HANK topics (**research frontier**)
 - Q&A
 - Exam
- **Homework:**
 1. Work on assignment