

Replicating package: *Should monetary policy care about redistribution? Optimal monetary and fiscal policy with heterogeneous agents.*

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This set of files replicates the graphs and data of *Should monetary policy care about redistribution? Optimal monetary and fiscal policy with heterogeneous agents*. Be careful of not mixing up these files with other replicating files and they should be located in an independent folder. Requires Matlab / Julia / Dynare. Tested on Matlab 2018b and Julia release v1.10.0.

1. All the .ipynb files are [Julia](#) notebooks.
2. All the .m files can be runned in Matlab or [Octave](#). Most of them also require [Dynare](#).

Quantitative assessment of the sticky-price model.

How to run?

1. Start with the computation of the steady state allocation:
 - Open `Sticky_Prices/steady_state/Main_SP.ipynb` and execute all cells. This computes the steady state.
2. Then, simulate the dynamics of the model (IRFs and second-order moments) in one of the following cases.
 - **Baseline calibration and the uniform truncation**
 - Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/main_SP.m`. This simulates the dynamics of the model (IRFs and second-order moments) for the baseline calibration and the uniform truncation.
 - Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/main_SP.m`. **Comment the line 3 “calib = baseline” and uncomment the line 4 “calib = refined”.** This simulates the dynamics of the model for the baseline calibration and the refined truncation.

- Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/main_taylor_SP.m`. This simulates the dynamics of the model for the baseline calibration and the refined truncation.
- Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/unequal.m`. This simulates the dynamics of the model in the case of the unequal profit distribution.

Output:

1. Figure 1: Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/Do_IRFs_SP_baseline.m`.
2. Tables 7/8: Run `Sticky_Prices/steady_state/Tables_SP.ipynb`.
3. Figure 7: Run `Sticky_Prices/dynamics/Do_IRFs_SP_unequal.m`.

The details

- The `Julia` files takes care of computing the steady state, while the `.m` file simulates the model in the presence of aggregate shocks.

The output of the `Julia` files is:

1. a file `todynare_SP_baseline.mat`
2. a file `todynare_SP_refined.mat`
3. a file `To_IRFs_SP_unequal.mat`

Those files will be used by `main.m`, `main_taylor.m`, `unequal.m`

- The outputs of the `Octave` / `Matlab` files are:
 - `To_IRFs_SP_baseline.mat`
 - `To_IRFs_SP_taylor.mat`
 - `To_IRFs_SP_unequal.mat`

Then:

- `Do_IRFs_SP_baseline.m` generate the Figure 1: `IRFs_SP_Eco_1\2_taylor.png`
- `Do_IRFs_SP_unequal.m` generate the Figure 7: `IRFs_SP_uneq_Eco_1\2.png`

The output of the `Julia` file is also:

1. 6 files: `moments_eco1/2_baseline`, `moments_taylor`, `moments_eco1/2_refined`

Those files will be used by the `Julia` file `Tables.ipynb` to display the tables for First- and second-order moments for key variables.

The steady state computation

The steady state is computed thanks to nine `Julia` notebooks. Each of above files are commented and self-explained.

- `Main.ipynb`: Solves the steady-state model and returns the truncated model (as `steady_state_dynare.mat` for Dynare, saved in the current folder);
- `Structures.ipynb`: Structures and parameter calibration from targets;
- `Utils.ipynb`: Contains some useful functions;
- `SolveAiyagari.ipynb`: Solves the Aiyagari model;
- `Projection.ipynb`: Computes the steady-state truncated model;
- `Projection_ref.ipynb`: Computes the steady-state redined truncated model;
- `Ramsey.ipynb`: Computes the steady-state Lagrange multipliers.
- `Simulation.ipynb`: : Contains a function used to display tables of first and second order moments of key variables;
- `Tables.ipynb`: Display tables of first and second order moments of key variables;

Simulating the model with aggregate shocks,

- The file `main.m` simulates the model for the first two economies of the paper. For the baseline truncation or the refined truncation depending on the line 3 and 4 of the file.
 - Economy 1: optimal inflation
 - Economy 2: constant inflation
- The file `main_taylor.m` simulates the model for third economy of the paper:
 - Economy 3: Taylor Rule

The outcomes of the program can be parametrized as follows:

- The Octave / Matlab actually writes different Dynare codes
 - `code_dynare_baseline1.mod`, `code_dynare_baseline2.mod`, `code_dynare_taylor.mod` which correspond to the three economies of the baseline specification.
 - `code_dynare_refined1.mod`, `code_dynare_refined2.mod`.
 - `code_dynare_unequal1.mod`, `code_dynare_unequal2.mod`

Each of this code is then solved in Dynare. These files, as interim Dynare files are created in the current folder.

Comparisons with the Reiter method

How to run?

In this order:

1. Open `Reiter/steady_state/Main_Reiter_Comp.ipynb` and execute all cells.
2. Run `Reiter/dynamics/reiter_comp.m`.
3. Run `Reiter/dynamics/refined_comp.m`.
4. Run `Reiter/dynamics/code_difference.m`.

Output:

- Figure 8: run `Reiter/dynamics/fig_Comp_Reiter_Trunc.m`
- Table 11: run `Reiter/steady_state/Tables_Reiter_Comp.ipynb` cells 1 to 4
- Table 12 : run `Reiter/steady_state/Tables_Reiter_Comp.ipynb` cell 5

The details

The output of the Julia files is:

- a file `todynare_Comp_Reiter.mat`
- a file `todynare_Comp_Refined.mat`

Those files will be used by `reiter_comp.m`, `refined_comp.m`

- The outputs of the Octave / Matlab files are:
 - `todiff_Reiter_IRFs.mat` save the IRFs of the Reiter simulation
 - `todiff_Comp_Refined.mat` save the IRFs of the refined truncation
 - `moments_Comp_Reiter.mat` save the moments of the Reiter simulation
 - `moments_Comp_Refined.mat` save the moments of model with the refined truncation
 - `to_code_difference_reiter.mat` save the result of the Reiter simulation
 - `to_code_difference_refined.mat` save the result of the refined truncation simulation
 - Then those files will be used by `code_difference.m` to generate `diff_Reiter.mat`: save the result for table 12.
- Finally:

- `Reiter/steady_dynamics/fig_Comp_Reiter_Trunc.m` generates the Figure 8: `Comp_Reiter_Trunc.png`
- `Reiter/steady_state/Tables_Reiter_Comp.m` displays Table 11 and 12.

Quantitative assessment of the sticky-wage model.

How to run?

In this order:

1. Open `Sticky_Wages/steady_state/Main_SW.ipynb` and execute all cells.
2. Run `Sticky_Wages/dynamics/main_SW.m`.
3. Run `Sticky_Wages/dynamics/main_taylor_SW.m`.

Output

1. Graph : Run `Sticky_Wages/dynamics/Do_IRFs_SW_baseline.m`

The details

- The `Julia` files takes care of computing the steady state, while the `.m` file simulates the model in the presence of aggregate shocks.
 - The output of the `Julia` file is a file `todynare_SW.mat` that will be used by `Octave` / `Matlab`.
- The outputs of the `.m` are:
 - `To_IRFs_SW.mat`
 - `To_IRFs_SP_taylor.mat`
- `Do_IRFs_SP_baseline.m` generate `IRFs_SW_Eco_1_4_taylor.png`

The steady state computation

The steady state is computed thanks to seven `Julia` notebooks. Each of above files are commented and self-explained.

- `Main.ipynb`: Solves the steady-state model and returns the truncated model (as `steady_state_dynare.mat` for `Dynare`, saved in the current folder);
- `Structures.ipynb`: Structures and parameter calibration from targets;
- `Utils.ipynb`: Contains some useful functions;
- `SolveAiyagari.ipynb`: Solves the Aiyagari model;

- `Projection.ipynb`: Computes the steady-state truncated model;
- `Ramsey_SP.ipynb`: Computes the steady-state Lagrange multipliers.
- `ToDynare_SW`: Generate the output of the Julia file: `todynare_SW.mat` that will be used by `Octave` / `Matlab`.

Simulating the model with aggregate shocks,

- The file `main_SW.m` simulates the model for the first two economies of the section:
 - Economy 1: optimal inflation
 - Economy 2: constant wage inflation
- The file `main_SW_taylor.m` simulates the model for third economy of the paper:
 - Economy 3: Taylor Rule

The outcomes of the program can be parametrized as follows:

- The `Octave` / `Matlab` actually writes three `Dynare` codes `code_dynare_SW1.mod`, `code_dynare_SW4.mod`, `code_dynare_SW_taylor.mod` which correspond to the three economies. Each of this code is then solved in `Dynare`. These files, as interim `Dynare` files are created in the current folder.