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Here are the classes, structs, unions and interfaces with brief descriptions:	
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2.1 File List

Here is a list of all documented files with brief descriptions:

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Class Documentation

3.1 parameters Class Reference

Object to store parameter values for VFI problem.

```
#include <global.h>
```

Public Member Functions

• void load (const char *)

Function to load VFI parameter values to parameters object.

Public Attributes

• REAL eta

Coefficient of relative risk aversion.

• REAL beta

Time discount factor.

• REAL alpha

 ${\it Share\ of\ capital\ in\ the\ production\ function.}$

• REAL delta

Rate of capital depreciation.

• REAL mu

TFP mean.

• REAL rho

TFP persistence.

• REAL sigma

TFP volatility.

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• REAL lambda

Number of standard deviations for AR1 approximation.

• int nk

Number of values in capital grid.

• int nz

Number of values in TFP grid.

• REAL tol

Tolerance for convergence.

• char maxtype

Maximization method - choices are 'g' (grid) and 'b' (binary search).

• int howard

Number of howard steps to perform between maximizations - set howard = 1 if max = 'b'.

3.1.1 Member Function Documentation

3.1.1.1 void parameters::load (const char * fileName)

This function is a parameters class method which loads parameter values from a text file for storage in the object. The input file must have 13 lines, each line beginning with a parameter value, followed by a comma and a character string describing the parameter. The order of the parameters must correspond to the order in the parameters class description.

Parameters:

← *fileName* Name of file storing parameter values.

Returns:

Void.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- global.h
- parameters.cpp

File Documentation

4.1 ar1.cpp File Reference

File containing AR1 function for the VFI problem. #include #global.h#

Functions

• void ar1 (const parameters ¶m, REAL *Z, REAL *P)

Function to compute discrete AR1 approximation values and transition matrix.

4.1.1 Detailed Description

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4.1.2 Function Documentation

4.1.2.1 void ar1 (const parameters & param, REAL * Z, REAL * P)

This function that computes a discrete AR1 approximation and transition matrix using the method of Tauchen (1986).

Parameters:

- ← param Object of class parameters.
- \rightarrow **Z** Grid of AR1 values.
- \rightarrow **P** AR1 transition matrix values.

Returns:

4.2 auxFuncs.h File Reference

Simple auxiliary functions. #include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>

Functions

template<class T >
 void printMatrix (const bool colMaj, const int M, const int N, const REAL *X, const int printRows,
 const int printCols, const int digits)

Function to print the elements of a matrix.

template < class T >
 void print Vector (const int N, const REAL *X, const int digits)
 Function to print the elements of a vector.

4.2.1 Detailed Description

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4.2.2 Function Documentation

4.2.2.1 template < class T > void printMatrix (const bool colMaj, const int M, const int N, const REAL * X, const int printRows, const int printCols, const int digits) [inline]

This functions prints a subset of the elements of a matrix to the screen.

Parameters:

- \leftarrow *colMaj* Boolean indicating if the matrix is stored in column-major format.
- $\leftarrow M$ Number of rows in the data matrix.
- $\leftarrow N$ Number of columns in the data matrix.
- $\leftarrow X$ Array of matrix values.

- ← printRows Number of rows to print.
- \leftarrow *printCols* Number of columns to print.
- ← *precision* Number of significant digits to print.

Returns:

Void.

4.2.2.2 template < class T > void printVector (const int N, const REAL * X, const int digits) [inline]

This functions prints a subset of the elements of a vector to the screen.

Parameters:

- $\leftarrow N$ Number of elements in the data matrix.
- $\leftarrow X$ Array of vector values.
- ← precision Number of significant digits to print.

Returns:

4.3 global.h File Reference

Global header file.

Classes

· class parameters

Object to store parameter values for VFI problem.

Typedefs

• typedef double **REAL**

Functions

- double curr_second (void)

 **Basic timer function.
- void ar1 (const parameters ¶m, REAL *Z, REAL *P)

 Function to compute discrete AR1 approximation values and transition matrix.
- void kGrid (const parameters ¶m, const REAL *Z, REAL *K)

 Function to compute the values of an equally spaced capital grid.
- void vfInit (const parameters ¶m, const REAL *Z, REAL *V) Function to initialize value function.

Variables

- const float singletype
- const double doubletype
- const REAL realtype

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4.3.2 Function Documentation

4.3.2.1 void ar1 (const parameters & param, REAL * Z, REAL * P)

This function that computes a discrete AR1 approximation and transition matrix using the method of Tauchen (1986).

Parameters:

- ← param Object of class parameters.
- \rightarrow **Z** Grid of AR1 values.
- \rightarrow **P** AR1 transition matrix values.

Returns:

Void.

4.3.2.2 curr_second (void)

Returns:

Double precision value representing time.

4.3.2.3 void kGrid (const parameters & param, const REAL * Z, REAL * K)

This function computes an equally spaced capital grid. The upper and lower bounds are the deterministic steady-state values of capital at the highest and lowest values of the TFP process (respectively), scaled by 0.95 and 1.05 (respectively).

Parameters:

- ← param Object of class parameters.
- \leftarrow **Z** Grid of TFP values.
- \rightarrow **K** Grid of capital values.

Returns:

Void.

4.3.2.4 void vfInit (const parameters & param, const REAL * Z, REAL * V)

This function initializes the value function at the deterministic steady state values for each level of TFP: conditional on a TFP level, the deterministic steady-state value of capital is computed, as well as the associated value function value.

Parameters:

- \leftarrow param Object of class parameters.
- \leftarrow **Z** Grid of TFP values.
- \rightarrow V Matrix of value function values.

Returns:

4.4 kGrid.cpp File Reference

```
File containing function to create capital grid. #include "global.h" #include <math.h>
```

Functions

• void kGrid (const parameters ¶m, const REAL *Z, REAL *K)

Function to compute the values of an equally spaced capital grid.

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4.4.2 Function Documentation

4.4.2.1 void kGrid (const parameters & param, const REAL * Z, REAL * K)

This function computes an equally spaced capital grid. The upper and lower bounds are the deterministic steady-state values of capital at the highest and lowest values of the TFP process (respectively), scaled by 0.95 and 1.05 (respectively).

Parameters:

- ← param Object of class parameters.
- \leftarrow **Z** Grid of TFP values.
- \rightarrow K Grid of capital values.

Returns:

4.5 parameters.cpp File Reference

File containing parameters class method for loading VFI parameter values. #include "global.h"

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <vector>
#include <fstream>
```

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```

4.6 timer.cpp File Reference

File containing basic timer function. #include <stddef.h>
#include <sys/time.h>

Functions

• double curr_second (void)

**Basic timer function.

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4.6.2 Function Documentation

4.6.2.1 double curr_second (void)

Returns:

Double precision value representing time.

4.7 vfInit.cpp File Reference

 $File \ containing \ function \ to \ initialize \ the \ value \ function. \ \# \verb"include" \ "global.h"$

```
#include <math.h>
```

Functions

• void vfInit (const parameters ¶m, const REAL *Z, REAL *V) Function to initialize value function.

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4.7.2 Function Documentation

4.7.2.1 void vfInit (const parameters & param, const REAL * Z, REAL * V)

This function initializes the value function at the deterministic steady state values for each level of TFP: conditional on a TFP level, the deterministic steady-state value of capital is computed, as well as the associated value function value.

Parameters:

- ← param Object of class parameters.
- \leftarrow **Z** Grid of TFP values.
- $\rightarrow V$ Matrix of value function values.

Returns: