

Growth and climate change: IAMs in Dynare

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Outline for today

- **Format:** 1 hour of lecture combined with 2 hours of practical work.
- **Objective:** This course is computational in nature. It introduces simple and practical methods to solve macroeconomic models, with a particular focus on the use of Dynare.
 - **Model setup in Dynare**
 - Application: a simple New Classical growth model
 - **Perturbation methods: short-run dynamics**
 - Application: a simple New Classical growth model
 - Exercise: Integrated Assessment Model (IAM) based on Heutel (2012)
 - **Perfect foresight simulations: long-run dynamics**
 - Application: a simple New Classical growth model
 - Exercise: IAM based on a toy DICE model

What is an integrated assessment model?

- IAMs bring together economics, climate science, and energy systems within a single quantitative framework.
- **Purpose:** Provide a tractable way to evaluate long-run interactions between the economy and the climate.
- **Institutional use:**
 - **IPCC** (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) relies on IAMs to define emission scenarios (e.g. SSP pathways).
 - **Central banks, NGFS, OECD, IEA, World Bank** use IAM-based tools for stress testing, policy design, and energy forecasts.
- IAMs are **quantitative tools** used for scenario design, policy evaluation, and to inform international climate negotiations.

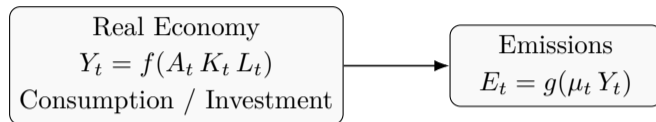
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Real Economy

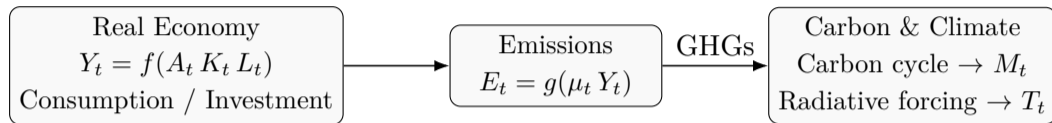
$$Y_t = f(A_t K_t L_t)$$

Consumption / Investment

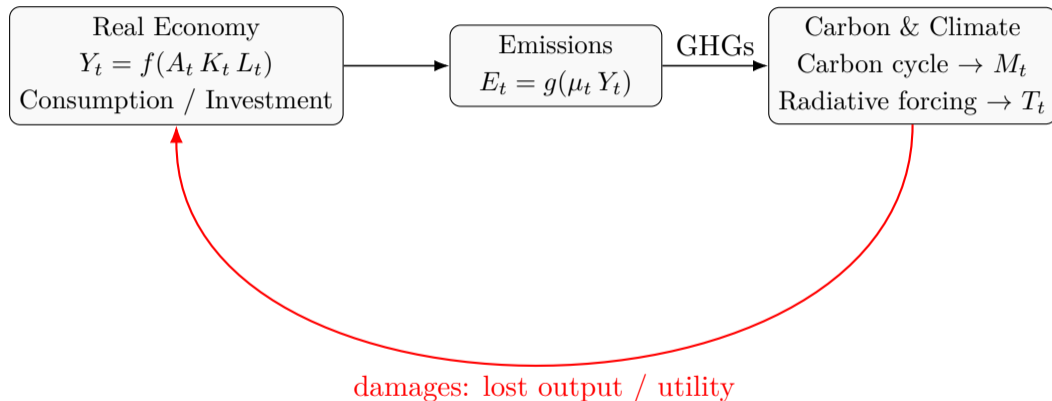
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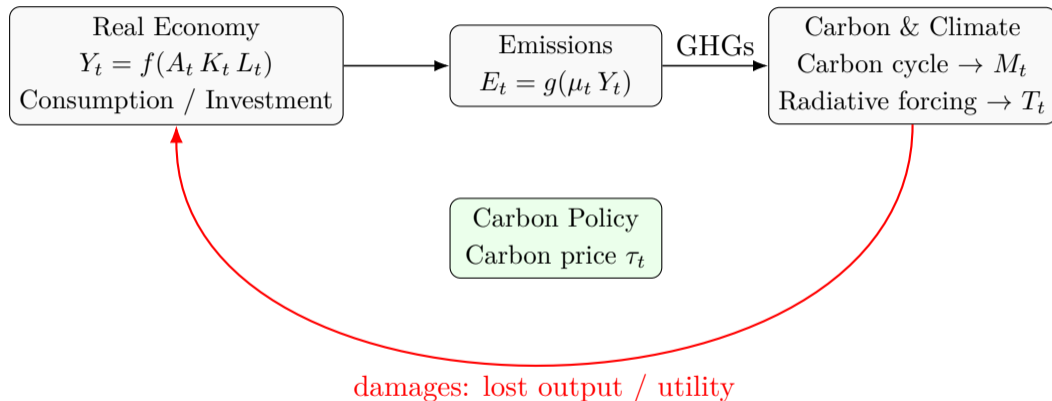
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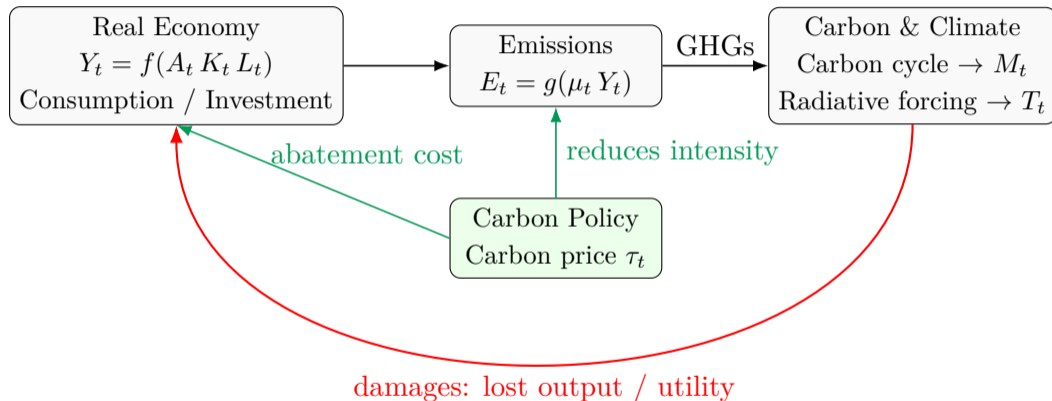
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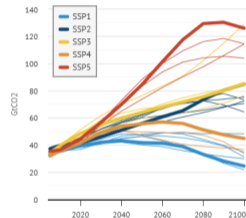


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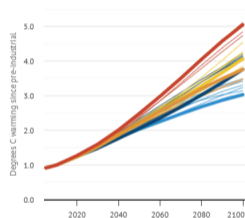


Intro: Illustration of IAM output

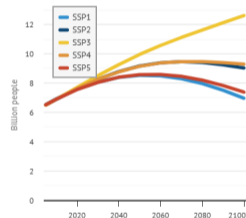
CO2 emissions for SSP baselines



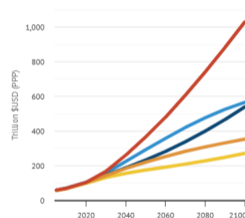
Global mean temperature



Global population



Global GDP



Notes: Illustrative SSP baseline trajectories across models.

Branch I: **Engineering-based IAMs**

- Examples: IMACLIM (CIRED), REMIND, GCAM
- Features:
 - Deterministic, large-scale, multi-sectoral
 - Frictionless (nominal rigidities, financial, etc.)
 - Backward-looking, non-optimizing
- But **not immune to Lucas critique**:
 - No expectations or uncertainty
 - No explicit optimization or welfare criterion

Branch II: **Long-run Mainstream Macro IAMs**

- Examples:
 - DICE/RICE [[Nordhaus, 1991, 2008, 2017](#); [Barrage and Nordhaus, 2023](#)]
 - Energy-augmented growth models [[Golosov et al. \(2014\)](#); [Hassler et al. \(2021\)](#)]
 - Directed technical change [[Acemoglu et al. \(2012, 2016\)](#)]
- Features:
 - Forward-looking, optimizing behavior
 - Deterministic models
 - Long run analysis

Branch III: **E-DSGE** models for policy analysis

- Examples:
 - NY Fed multi-sector DSGE model with energy sectors [Del Negro et al., 2023]
 - Medium-scale DSGE with green brown energy [Coenen et al., 2024]
 - IMF energy and Phillips curve [Erceg et al., 2024]
- Features:
 - Forward-looking, optimizing behavior
 - Stochastic in neighborhood of some steady state
 - No climate block, so not truly an IAM

Dynare: A toolbox for solving (climate) macroeconomic models

- All these models can be solved efficiently in Dynare.
- Dynare is a **MATLAB/Python/Julia package** that provides a high-level interface to define, solve, and simulate economic models written in *state-space form*.
- Founded by **Michel Juillard**, now hosted by **CEPREMAP** (based at PSE premise).
- Dynare serves as a **front-end** to numerical solvers:
 - *Perturbation methods* (first- or higher-order approximations)
 - *Perfect foresight* and *extended-path* deterministic solvers
 - Bayesian estimation and policy analysis
- **Dynare is the mother tongue of central banks and policy institutions.** Understanding its logic is a valuable skill for applied macro and

A toy model of the New Classical growth model

- To fix ideas, let us consider a **toy version of the New Classical growth model**:
- A representative, infinitely-lived household solves

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\{C_t, K_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \quad & \mathbb{E}_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \log(C_t) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & C_t + K_t = A_t K_{t-1}^{\alpha} + (1 - \delta) K_{t-1}, \end{aligned}$$

- The household chooses $\{C_t, K_t\}$ taking $\{A_t\}$ as given. The first-order condition (Euler equation) reads

$$\frac{1}{C_t} = \beta \mathbb{E}_t \left[\frac{1}{C_{t+1}} (1 - \delta + \alpha A_{t+1} K_t^{\alpha-1}) \right].$$

- The model is a 3 equation model

$$\begin{aligned}-\frac{1}{C_t} + \beta \mathbb{E}_t \left[\frac{1}{C_{t+1}} (1 - \delta + \alpha A_{t+1} K_t^{\alpha-1}) \right] &= 0 \\ -C_t - K_t + A_t K_{t-1}^\alpha + (1 - \delta) K_{t-1} &= 0 \\ -\log A_t + \rho_A \log A_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t &= 0\end{aligned}$$

with

- 3 endogenous variables $y_t = [C_t, K_t, A_t]'$
- 1 exogenous variable $\eta_t = [\varepsilon_t]$
- 5 structural parameters $\Theta = \{\beta, \delta, \alpha, \rho_A, \sigma\}$

A general formulation of a structural model

- Consider a structural model written in **state-space form**:

$$\mathbb{E}_t\{f_{\Theta}(z_{t-1}, z_t, z_{t+1}, \eta_t)\} = 0$$

- where:
 - z_t : vector ($N_z \times 1$) of endogenous variables,
 - η_t : vector ($N_{\eta} \times 1$) of Gaussian innovations, $\eta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$,
 - $f_{\Theta}(\cdot)$: system of nonlinear equilibrium conditions,
 - Θ : vector of structural parameters,
 - $\mathbb{E}_t[\cdot]$: expectation conditional on information available at t .
- This representation nests most macroeconomic models: RBC, NK, and E-DSGE.*

Steady State Determination

- The **steady state** is a fixed point of the model where all variables are constant and all expectations are realized.
- The steady state satisfies the system of **nonlinear algebraic equations** obtained by removing time indices and shocks:

$$f_{\Theta}(\bar{y}, \bar{y}, \bar{y}, 0) = 0$$

- It plays two key roles in Dynare:
 - As a **fixed point** around which perturbation methods are applied (`stoch_simul`).
 - As the **terminal condition** in perfect-foresight simulations (`perfect_foresight_solver`).
- The steady state can be found:
 - *analytically* (by hand or symbolic computation), or
 - *numerically* (using nonlinear solvers such as `fsolve`).

A model declaration in Dynare

- A Dynare model is written in a single `.mod` file.
- It follows a clear and standardized structure:

1) Declaration of variables

- `var [list of endogenous variables];`
- `varexo [list of exogenous shocks];`
- `parameters [list of structural parameters];`

2) Model definition

- Use the `model; ...end;` block to list the **dynamic equilibrium equations**.
- Equations can be written in **nonlinear (levels)** or **log-linearized** form.

3) Provide steady state

- `steady;` compute steady state

4) Solution and simulation (to come later)

- `stoch_simul(...);` perturbation methods
- `perfect_foresight_solver;` deterministic simulations

→ **Let's work on the exercise 1 of PC1.**

2 Short term IAMs in Dynare

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A model declaration in Dynare

- **E-DSGE** models extend standard DSGE frameworks to incorporate the **climate-economy link** (emissions, damages, and abatement decisions).
- They rely on the same **perturbation methods** used in business-cycle models (e.g. **Smets and Wouters (2007)**), which **linearize the true nonlinear model** around its deterministic steady state.
- The first stochastic E-DSGE implementation is **Heutel (2012)**, who solves an environmental DSGE model by perturbation methods in Dynare.
- **Perturbation methods require:**
 - A **stationary economy** (no unit roots or explosive trends),
 - A well-defined **balanced growth path** (variables scaled by trend growth),
 - **Stationary shocks**, typically AR(1) processes around zero mean.

- Consider a function $f(x)$. A Taylor expansion around a fixed point a reads as:

$$f(x) \simeq f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^2 + \dots$$

- Two natural questions:
 - Which order of approximation to consider?
 - Which value of a ?

A first order taylor expansion

- Macroeconomics still dominated by linearized models. This lecture will remain on the linear version of the true nonlinear model.
- Consider a first order taylor expansion:

$$F \cdot \mathbb{E}_t\{\hat{z}_{t+1}\} + G \cdot \hat{z}_t + H \cdot \hat{z}_{t-1} + M \cdot \eta_t = 0$$

where

- F , G , H and M are matrices stacking first order derivatives of f_Θ
- $\hat{z}_t = z_t - a$ is typically expressed in distance from steady state $a = z$. Why? linear model combined with gaussian stochastic shocks $\eta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$ implies that $z_t - z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_z)$. The smallest deviations $E((z_t - a)^2)$ are obtained when 1st order expansion computed around steady state.

A first order taylor expansion

- One looks for a recursive solution that would have the following form:

$$\hat{z}_t = P \cdot \hat{z}_{t-1} + Q \cdot \eta_t$$

where P and Q are two unknown matrices.

- To solve the problem, one must determine the expectation scheme. Lucas implements 'rational' expectations, i.e. model-based expectations:
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- One can find P and Q by substituting $E_t\{\hat{z}_{t+1}\}$ and \hat{z}_t :

$$\underbrace{\left[FP^2 + GP + H\right]}_{\text{determining } P} \hat{z}_{t-1} + \underbrace{(FPQ + GQ + M)}_{\text{determining } Q} \eta_t = 0$$

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- Puzzling aspect of linear rational expectations model: one path of the economy not stable.
- Once solved, a linear DSGE model has similar features as VAR(1) model (useful when it comes to its estimation).

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- Heutel (2012) develops the first fully stochastic **E-DSGE model**, built as a **stationarized version of DICE**.
- The framework introduces business-cycle dynamics into climate economics:
 - Short-run productivity shocks affect output, consumption, and emissions.
 - The model studies how optimal climate policy reacts to these fluctuations.
- A **centralized social planner** chooses consumption, investment, and abatement effort to maximize welfare, while internalizing the externality from the carbon stock.
- The model is **stationary** and solved by **perturbation method**.

The central planner's problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\{z_t, i_t, c_t, y_t, \mu_t, x_t, k_t\}} E_t \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s U(c_{t+s}) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{cases} c_t + i_t + z_t \leq y_t, \\ k_t = (1 - \delta_K)k_{t-1} + i_t, \\ x_t = (1 - \delta_X)x_{t-1} + e_t + e_t^{row}, \\ e_t = (1 - \mu_t)h(y_t), \\ z_t = g(\mu_t)y_t, \\ y_t = (1 - d(x_t))a_t f(k_{t-1}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- The planner's value for carbon reads as:

$$\lambda_t^x = \mathbf{1}_{\{\text{policy on}\}} \underbrace{\lambda_t^y \frac{d'(x_t)}{1 - d(x_t)} y_t}_{\text{marginal damage}} + \underbrace{(1 - \delta_X) \beta \frac{c_{t+1}^{-\phi}}{c_t^{-\phi}} \lambda_{t+1}^x}_{\text{continuation value}}$$

where $\mathbf{1}_{\{\text{policy on}\}}$ planner internalizes externality \rightarrow carbon price computed.

- Firms in response engage into abatement spending:

$$\mu_t = \left[\frac{\sigma}{\theta_1 \theta_2} \lambda_t^x y_t^{-\gamma} \right]^{1/(\theta_2 - 1)}$$

\rightarrow **Let's work on the exercise 3 of PC1.**

- Main contribution of Heutel (2012)
 - Introduces **business-cycle frequency** into climate-economy models.
 - Quantifies the **co-movement between output and emissions**.
 - Identifies an **optimal carbon price path** that is **procyclical**: rising in booms, falling in recessions.
- Limitations:
 - **Stationary treatment of carbon stock and emissions**: implies mean reversion, which leads to flawed medium- and long-term predictions.
 - The **carbon stock is highly abstract**: emissions are treated as a dimensionless flow, abatement = 1 yields 0 carbon stock!
 - As a result, the model is well suited for **short-run cyclical analysis**, but not for long-run climate dynamics.

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Integrated Assessment Models (IAMs)

- **Integrated Assessment Models (IAMs)** combine economic growth, the energy system, and the climate into a single dynamic framework.
- They study the **long-run interaction** between the economy and the climate under a **deterministic** environment - no stochastic shocks, no uncertainty.
- **Key characteristics:**
 - Deterministic **transition dynamics** toward a steady state.
 - Driven by **trends** - population, technology, productivity.
 - Often feature **unbalanced growth** between capital, output, and damages.
 - Carbon price and climate change implies structural change.
- Canonical example: the **DICE model** (Nordhaus).

A sketch of the numerical solution

- Our model, with no stochastic shocks→deterministic, reads as:

$$f_{\Theta}(z_{t+1}, z_t, z_{t-1}) = 0$$

- The problem becomes a two-point boundary value problem:
 - An **initial condition** z_0 given by the current state of the economy
 - A **terminal condition** requiring convergence to the steady state
- The algorithm searches for the entire **transition path** that connects these two bounds: the path of endogenous variables consistent with $f_{\Theta}(\cdot)$.
- In Dynare, this is solved using the `perfect_foresight_solver`; command:

A sketch of the numeric problem:

- Finite horizon problem for $t = 0, 2, \dots T + 1$;
- Terminal z_{T+1} and initial z_0 conditions are given \rightarrow need to numerically get $z_1, z_2, \dots z_T$;
- In absence of stochastic variables \rightarrow deterministic problem \rightarrow perfect foresight setup where any variable in z_{t+1} corresponds to the realized variable in $t + 1$;

- Over the time horizon $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$, stacking $F(Y)$ over time yields

$$F(Y) = \begin{bmatrix} f(z_2, z_1, z_0) \\ f(z_3, z_2, z_1) \\ \dots \\ f(z_{T+1}, z_T, z_{T-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

with $Y = [z'_t, z'_{t+1}, \dots, z'_T]'$ and $F : \mathbb{R}^{NT} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{NT}$

- Y and $F(Y)$ are two vectors of size $NT \times 1$.

- The goal is to numerically solve:

$$Y^* = \arg \min_{\{Y\}} |F(Y)|$$

- How? Newton–Raphson method very efficient as shown by [Laffargue \(1990\)](#), [Boucekkine \(1995\)](#) and [Juillard et al. \(1996\)](#). Basic idea:
 - Set an initial value $Y^{(0)}$.
 - n^{th} Newton iterations:

$$Y^{(n)} = Y^{(n-1)} - J_F \left(Y^{(n-1)} \right)^{-1} F(Y^{(n-1)})$$

where $J_F \left(Y^{(n-1)} \right)$ is Jacobian matrix of F of dimensions $NT \times NT$.

- Stop the iterations if $|F(Y^{(n-1)})| < \varepsilon$.

- Each iteration requires to solve:

$$\begin{bmatrix} J_{1,1} & J_{1,2} & \dots & 0_N & 0_N \\ J_{2,1} & J_{2,2} & \dots & 0_N & 0_N \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0_N & 0_N & \dots & J_{T-1,T-2} & J_{T-1,T} \\ 0_N & 0_N & \dots & J_{T-1,T-1} & J_{T,T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_1^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_2^{(n)} \\ \dots \\ \Delta y_{T-1}^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_T^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \dots \\ f_{T-1} \\ f_T \end{bmatrix}$$

- The (inefficient) brute force way:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_1^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_2^{(n)} \\ \dots \\ \Delta y_{T-1}^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_T^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = -J_F \left(\begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_1^{(n-1)} \\ \Delta y_2^{(n-1)} \\ \dots \\ \Delta y_{T-1}^{(n-1)} \\ \Delta y_T^{(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \dots \\ f_{T-1} \\ f_T \end{bmatrix}$$

- Laffargue (1990) proposes using a triangular expression of $J_F \left(Y^{(n)} \right)$ to allow backward induction.
- Linear algebra yields the following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_N & g_{1,2} & \dots & g_{1,T-1} & g_{1,T} \\ 0_N & I_N & \dots & g_{2,T-1} & g_{2,T} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0_N & 0_N & \dots & I_N & g_{T-1,T} \\ 0_N & 0_N & \dots & 0_N & I_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_1^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_2^{(n)} \\ \dots \\ \Delta y_{T-1}^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_T^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ \dots \\ d_{T-1} \\ d_T \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

- Principle: once matrices $g_{\tau,t}$ and d_t (for $\tau, t \in [1, T]$) are obtained, easy to get $\Delta y_t^{(n)}$ recursively by starting by last row of problem (1).

- Thanks to this transformation of the Jacobian, each Newton step is fast and is done through a loop.
- This allows macroeconomists to solve their models in a second, without suffering much the curse of dimensionality!

→ **Let's work on the exercise 4 of PC1.**

- To illustrate transition dynamics with climate, let's us consider a baby DICE model:
 - Productivity grows exogenously but converges to a steady state.
 - Output is affected by climate damages.
 - Planner allocates resources between consumption and abatement.
- The presence of large nonlinear transition dynamics in productivity, damages, and abatement renders perturbation methods unreliable. Perfect-foresight simulation in Dynare provides an appropriate global solution.

$$\frac{A_t}{A_{t-1}} = \exp \left[(1 - e^{-\delta}) \left(\frac{g}{\delta} - \log \left(\frac{A_{t-1}}{A_0} \right) \right) \right].$$

- A_0 : initial productivity.
- g : initial growth rate, δ : rate of decline.
- \Rightarrow Productivity converges to steady state $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} A_t = \bar{A}$.

Endowment output:

$$y_t = A_t(1 - \varphi(m_t)).$$

Damage function:

$$\varphi(m_t) = \xi (m_t - \bar{m})^2,$$

where:

- \bar{m} : pre-industrial carbon stock,
- ξ : elasticity of damage to excess carbon.

\Rightarrow Higher m_t permanently reduces effective output.

Carbon accumulation:

$$m_t - \bar{m} = \gamma(m_{t-1} - \bar{m}) + e_t,$$

- γ : persistence / rate of transfer to deep oceans,
- e_t : new emissions (in Gt of carbon).

Emissions:

$$e_t = \sigma(1 - \mu_t)A_t a_t,$$

- μ_t : abatement effort ($\mu_t = 1$ means zero emissions),
- σ : carbon intensity of production,
- a_t : exogenous activity index.

Resource allocation:

$$y_t = c_t + \theta_1 \mu_t^{\theta_2} A_t,$$

- c_t : consumption,
- $\theta_1 \mu_t^{\theta_2}$: abatement (green investment) cost

Preferences:

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\{c_t, m_t, \mu_t\}} \mathbb{E}_t \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} \beta^{\tau} \log(c_{t+\tau}) \\ & + \lambda_{t+\tau} \left[A_t \left(1 - \theta_1 \mu_t^{\theta_2} - \varphi(m_t) \right) - c_t \right] \\ & + \lambda_{t+\tau} q_{t+\tau} [m_t - \gamma m_{t-1} - \sigma(1 - \mu_t) A_t] \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore the first main equation is the social cost of carbon (ie the shadow value) that reflects the discounted sum of marginal damages of one carbon emission along its lifetime:

$$q_t = A_t \varphi'(m_t) + \gamma \beta \frac{\lambda_{t+1}}{c_{t+1}} q_{t+1} \quad (2)$$

- In addition, the optimal abatement rate reads as:

$$\theta_2 \theta_1 \mu_t^{\theta_2 - 1} = \sigma q_t \quad (3)$$

The marginal cost of reducing carbon must be equation to the expected saved output.

→ **Let's work on the exercise 5 of PC1.**

Thank you for your attention

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- 4 Appendix: an example of perfect foresight solution

To illustrate, consider $t = 1, 2, 3$, y_0 & y_4 given, $y_{1:3}$ unknown. We are at n -step update, $\hat{y}_t = y_t^{(n-1)}$:

$$F \left(\begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_1 \\ \hat{y}_2 \\ \hat{y}_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} f(\hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1, y_0) \\ f(\hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1) \\ f(y_4, \hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$J_F \left(Y^{(n-1)} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1, y_0)}{\partial \hat{y}_1} & \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1, y_0)}{\partial \hat{y}_2} & \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1, y_0)}{\partial \hat{y}_3} \\ \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1)}{\partial \hat{y}_1} & \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1)}{\partial \hat{y}_2} & \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_1)}{\partial \hat{y}_3} \\ \frac{\partial f(y_4, \hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2)}{\partial \hat{y}_1} & \frac{\partial f(y_4, \hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2)}{\partial \hat{y}_2} & \frac{\partial f(y_4, \hat{y}_3, \hat{y}_2)}{\partial \hat{y}_3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Percentage of zeros in $J_F \left(Y^{(n-1)} \right)$ grows in T . Note that $\frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_{t+1}, \hat{y}_t, y_{t-1})}{\partial \hat{y}_\tau}$ with $\tau \in t$ is a $N \times N$ matrix.

- Recall, each Newton iteration requires to solve:

$$J_F \left(Y^{(n-1)} \right)^{-1} \Delta Y^{(n)} = -F(Y^{(n-1)})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} J_{1,1} & J_{1,2} & 0_N \\ J_{2,1} & J_{2,2} & J_{2,3} \\ 0_N & J_{3,2} & J_{3,3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_1^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_2^{(n)} \\ \Delta y_3^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $J_{t,\tau} = \frac{\partial f(\hat{y}_{t+1}, \hat{y}_t, y_{t-1})}{\partial \hat{y}_\tau}$ and $f_t = f(\hat{y}_{t+1}, \hat{y}_t, \hat{y}_{t-1})$.

- Linear problem: triangular expression of J_F allows backward induction.

- 1. Solve first row to get $\Delta y_1^{(n)}$ as linear function of $\Delta y_2^{(n)}$.

$$\begin{array}{rclcl}
 I_n \Delta y_1^{(n)} & + g_1 \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + 0_N & = & -d_1 \\
 J_{2,1} \Delta y_1^{(n)} & + J_{2,2} \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + J_{2,3} \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = & -f_2 \\
 0_N & + J_{3,2} \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + J_{3,3} \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = & -f_3
 \end{array}$$

with $d_1 = J_{1,1}^{-1} f_1$ and $g_1 = J_{1,1}^{-1} J_{1,2}$.

- 2. Use first row $I_N \Delta y_1^{(n)} = -d_1 - g_1 \Delta y_2^{(n)}$ and replace to replace $\Delta y_1^{(n)}$:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr}
 I_N \Delta y_1^{(n)} & + g_1 \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + 0_N & = -d_1 \\
 0_N & + I_N \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + g_2 \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = -d_2 \\
 0_N & + J_{3,2} \Delta y_2^{(n)} & J_{3,3} \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = -f_3
 \end{array}$$

where $g_2 = (J_{2,2} - J_{2,1}g_1)^{-1}J_{2,3}$ and $d_2 = (J_{2,2} - J_{2,1}g_1)^{-1}(f_2 - J_{2,1}d_1)$.

- 3. Use second row $I_N \Delta y_2^{(n)} = -d_2 - g_2 \Delta y_3^{(n)}$ and replace to replace $\Delta y_2^{(n)}$:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} I_N \Delta y_1^{(n)} & + g_1 \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + 0_N & = -d_1 \\ 0_N & + I_N \Delta y_2^{(n)} & + g_2 \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = -d_2 \\ 0_N & + 0_N & + I_N \Delta y_3^{(n)} & = -d_3 \end{array}$$

where $d_3 = (J_{3,3} - J_{3,2}g_2)^{-1}(f_3 - J_{3,2}d_2)$.

- Going back to stacked matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_N & g_1 & 0_N \\ 0_N & I_N & g_2 \\ 0_N & 0_N & I_N \end{bmatrix} \Delta Y^{(n)} = - \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Backward induction by solving last row of $\Delta Y^{(n)}$ recursively.

- Generalization to a T horizon yields:

$$d_1 = J_{1,1}^{-1} f_1$$

$$d_2 = (J_{2,2} - J_{2,1}g_1)^{-1} (f_2 - J_{2,1}d_1)$$

$$g_t = (J_{t,t} - J_{t,t-1}g_{t-1})^{-1} J_{t,t+1} \quad \text{for } t \in [2, T-1]$$

$$d_t = (J_{t,t} - J_{t,t-1}g_{t-1})^{-1} (f_t - J_{t,t-1}d_{t-1}) \quad \text{for } t \in [2, T-1]$$

$$d_T = (J_{T,T} - J_{T,T-1}g_{T-1})^{-1} (f_{T-1} - J_{T,T-1}d_{T-1}).$$

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