Advanced Macro

Assignment 2

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Competitive equilibrium

Arrow-Debreu competitive equilibrium consists of prices $\{p_t, w_t, r_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$, allocations for the firm $\{y_t, k_t^d, l_t^d\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ and the allocations for household $\{c_t, k_t^s, l_t^s\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ such that,

(i) Given a sequence of prices $\{p_t, w_t, r_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$, the firm allocation $\{y_t, k_t^d, l_t^d\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ solves the firm problem,

$$\max_{\{y_t, k_t, l_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_t (y_t - r_t k_t - w_t l_t)$$
s.t. $y_t = z k_t^{\alpha} l_t^{1-\alpha}, \forall t \ge 0;$

$$y_t, k_t, l_t \ge 0, \forall t \ge 0.$$
(1)

(ii) Given a sequence of prices $\{p_t, w_t, r_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$, the household allocation $\{c_t, k_t^s, l_t^s\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ solves the household problem,

$$\max_{\{c_{t}, k_{t+1}, l_{t}\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^{t} \left(\frac{c_{t}^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \chi \frac{l_{t}^{1+\eta}}{1+\eta}\right)$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_{t} (c_{t} + K_{t+1} - (1-\delta)k_{t}) \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_{t} (r_{t}k_{t} + w_{t}l_{t});$$

$$0 \leq l_{t} \leq 1, 0 \leq k_{t} \leq k_{0}, c_{t} \geq 0, k_{t+1} \geq 0, \forall t \geq 0;$$

$$k_{0} \text{ given.} \tag{2}$$

(iii) The market clear conditions,

$$zk_t^{\alpha} l_t^{1-\alpha} + (1-\delta)k_t = c_t + k_{t+1};$$
$$l_t^d = l_t^s;$$
$$k_t^d = k_t^s.$$

Steady state

For firm problem,

$$r_t = z\alpha k_t^{\alpha - 1} l_t^{1 - \alpha}$$

$$w_t = z(1 - \alpha) k_t^{\alpha} l_t^{-\alpha}$$

$$r_t k_t + w_t l_t = z k_t^{\alpha} l_t^{1 - \alpha}$$
(3)

Then for household problem,

$$\mathcal{L}(\lbrace c_{t}, k_{t+1}, l_{t} \rbrace_{t=0}^{\infty}; \lambda_{t}) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^{t} \left(\frac{c_{t}^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \chi \frac{l_{t}^{1+\eta}}{1+\eta} \right) + \lambda_{t} \left(\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} p_{t} (z k_{t}^{\alpha} l_{t}^{1-\alpha} - c_{t} - k_{t+1} + (1-\delta) k_{t} \right)
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial c_{t}} = \beta^{t} c_{t}^{-\sigma} - \lambda_{t} p_{t} = 0,
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial l_{t}} = -\beta^{t} \chi l_{t}^{\eta} + \lambda_{t} p_{t} z (1-\alpha) k_{t}^{\alpha} l_{t}^{-\alpha} = 0,
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial k_{t}} = \lambda_{t} p_{t} (z \alpha k_{t}^{\alpha-1} l_{t}^{1-\alpha} + 1 - \delta) - \lambda_{t-1} p_{t-1} = 0,
c_{t} = z k_{t}^{\alpha} l_{t}^{1-\alpha} - k_{t+1} + (1-\delta) k_{t}$$
(4)

For Steady state, $p_0 = 1$, then,

$$c^{\sigma}l^{\eta} = z(1-\alpha)k^{\alpha}l^{-\alpha}/\chi$$

$$z\alpha k^{\alpha-1}l^{1-\alpha} = 1/\beta - 1 + \delta$$

$$c = zk^{\alpha}l^{1-\alpha} - \delta k$$
(5)

$$M = \frac{k}{l} = \left(\frac{z\alpha\beta}{1 - \beta + \beta\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{1 - \alpha}},$$

$$N = \frac{c}{l} = z(\frac{k}{l})^{\alpha} - \delta \frac{k}{l} = zM^{\alpha} - \delta M,$$

$$(lN)^{\sigma}l^{\eta} = z(1-\alpha)(\frac{k}{l})^{\alpha}/\chi \Rightarrow$$

$$l^{\sigma+\eta} = \frac{z(1-\alpha)M^{\alpha}}{\chi N^{\sigma}} \Rightarrow$$

$$l_{ss} = \left(\frac{z(1-\alpha)M^{\alpha}}{\chi N^{\sigma}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\sigma+\eta}},$$

Then,

$$k_{ss} = Ml$$

$$c_{ss} = Nl$$

$$y_{ss} = zk^{\alpha}l^{1-\alpha} = zM^{\alpha}l$$

$$r_{ss} = \alpha zk^{\alpha-1}l^{1-\alpha} = \alpha zM^{\alpha-1}$$

$$w_{ss} = (1-\alpha)zk^{\alpha}l^{\alpha} = (1-\alpha)zM^{\alpha}.$$

Social planner problem

The problem of the social planner is that, given the initial capital k_0 ,

$$w(k_0) = \max_{\{c_t, k_t, l_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left(\frac{c_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \chi \frac{l_t^{1+\eta}}{1+\eta} \right)$$
s.t. $zk_t^{\alpha} l_t^{1-\alpha} = c_t + k_{t+1} - (1-\delta)k_t, \ \forall t \ge 0$

$$c_t \ge 0, \ k_t \ge 0, \ 0 \le l_t \le 1, \ \forall t \ge 0$$

$$k_0 \text{ is given.}$$
(6)

Bellman equation,

$$V(k) = \max_{\substack{0 \le l \le 1\\ 0 \le k' \le zk^{\alpha}l^{1-\alpha} + (1-\delta)k}} \left\{ \frac{(zk^{\alpha}l^{1-\alpha} + (1-\delta)k - k')^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \chi \frac{l^{1+\eta}}{1+\eta} + \beta \mathbb{E}V(k') \right\}$$
(7)

\mathbf{VFI}

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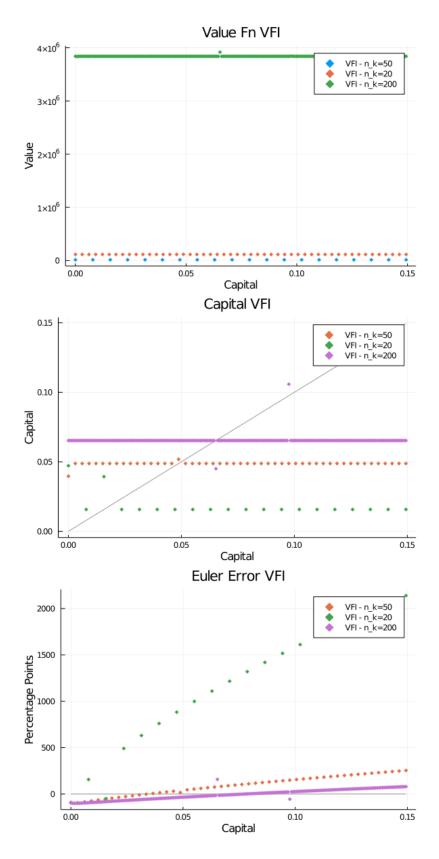


Figure 1: Plain VFI

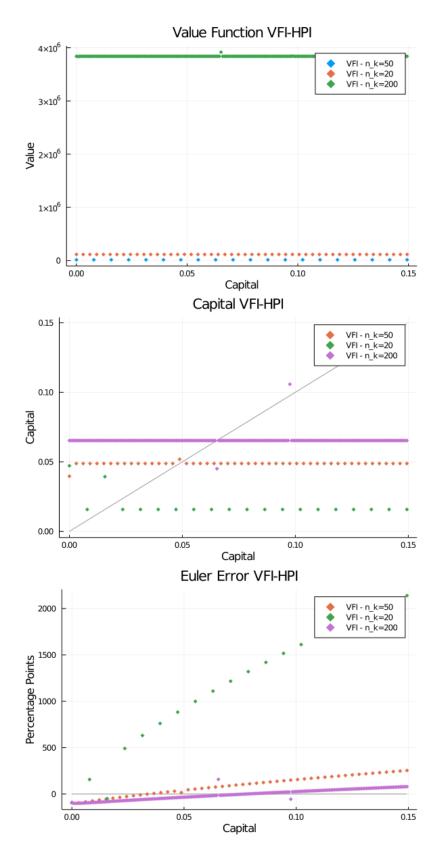


Figure 2: HPI-VFI