

# ECON 8185 - HW 2

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Incomplete Version

## Question 1

We'll consider the following Prototype model from Ellen's Homework 2, which is the same as CKM:

$$\max_{c_t, x_t, l_t} E \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \frac{(c_t l_t^\psi)^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} N_t$$

S.T.

$$\begin{aligned} c_t + (1 + \tau_{xt} x_t) &= r_t k_t + (1 - \tau_{ht}) w_t h_t + T_t \\ N_{t+1} k_{t+1} &= [(1 - \delta) k_t + x_t] N_t \\ h_t + l_t &= 1 \\ S_t &= P S_{t-1} + Q \epsilon_t, \quad S_t = [\ln z_t, \tau_{ht}, \tau_{xt}, \ln g_t] \\ c_t, x_t &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $N_t = (1 + \gamma_n)^t$  and firm technology is  $Y_t = K_t^\theta (Z_t L_t)^{1-\theta}$ .  $\gamma_z$  is the rate of labor-augmenting technical progress. The stochastic shocks hitting this economy affect technology, tax rates, and government spending and the stochastic processes are modeled as a VAR(1) process. The resource constraint is  $Y_t = N_t(c_t + x_t + g_t)$ . We must work with detrended variables, we should use "hat" variables, but typing this is time consuming so from now on all variables should be understood as detrended unless I say something about them.

The detrended FOC's of this model are:

$$\begin{aligned} c_t + (1 + \gamma_z)(1 + \gamma_n)k_{t+1} - (1 - \delta)k_t + g_t &= y_t = k_t^\theta (z_t h_t)^{1-\theta} \\ \psi \frac{c_t}{1 - h_t} &= (1 - \tau_{ht})(1 - \theta) \left( \frac{k_t}{h_t} \right)^\theta z_t^{1-\theta} \\ c_t^{-\sigma} (1 - h_t)^{\psi(1-\sigma)} (1 + \tau_{xt}) &= \beta (1 + \gamma_z)^{-\sigma} E_t c_{t+1}^{-\sigma} (1 - h_{t+1})^{\psi(1-\sigma)} (\theta k_{t+1}^\theta (z_{t+1} h_{t+1})^{1-\theta} + (1 - \delta)(1 + \gamma_n)k_{t+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Defining some parameters:



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In [64]: #Parameters:
δ = 1 #depreciation rate
θ = 1/3 #capital share of output
β = 0.9 #Discounting
σ = 2 #Elasticity of Intertemporal Substitution
ψ = 1 #Labor parameter
γn = 0.00 #Population growth rate
γz = 0.00 #Productivity growth rate
gss = 0.02 #average g
τxss = 0.02 #average τx
τhss = 0.03 #average τh
zss = 1 #average z

#Parameters to be estimated
ρg = 0.0
ρx = 0.0
ρh = 0.0
ρz = 0.8
σg = 0.025
σx = 0.02
σz = 0.01
σh = 0.03
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Out[64]: 0.03

Substituting for  $c$ , we get an equation for  $k$ , and one for  $h$ . Below, I find the Steady State values:

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In [65]: #Function with the FOCs
function SS!(eq, vector::Vector)
    k,h = (vector)
    k1 = k
    h1 = h
    g, τx,τh, z = gss,τxss,τhss, zss
    z1 = z
    τx1 = τx

    c = k * ((z * h)^(1-θ))^(1/θ) - (((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k1-(1-δ)*k+g)^(1/θ)
    c1 = c
    eq[1] = (ψ * c)^(1/θ) - (k/h)*((1-h)*(1-τh)*(1-θ)*z^(1-θ))^(1/θ)

    eq[2] = (c^(-σ) * (1-h)^(ψ*(1-σ))^(1+τx) - (1-δ)*(1+τx1)* β*(1+γz)^(-σ) *
    c1^(-σ) * (1-h1)^(ψ*(1-σ))^(1+τx1) -
    (β*(1+γz)^(-σ) * c1^(-σ) * (1-h1)^(ψ*(1-σ)) * θ*(z1*h1)^(1-θ))^(1/θ)* k1
    return eq
end

SteadyState = nlsolve(SS!, [0.2,0.8],ftol = :1.0e-20, method = :trust_region ,
    autoscale = true)
kss,hss = SteadyState.zero
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Out[65]: 2-element Array{Float64,1}:  
0.05412761744776807  
0.8500964718247656

Log-linearizing the equations we get the following system of equations:

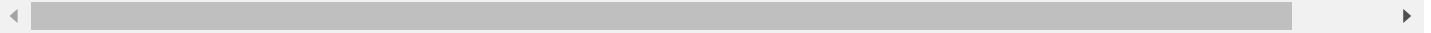
$$0 = E_t[a_1\tilde{k}_t + a_2\tilde{k}_{t+1} + a_3\tilde{h}_t + a_4\tilde{z}_t + a_5\tilde{\tau}_{ht} + a_6\tilde{g}_t]$$

$$0 = E_t[b_1\tilde{k}_t + b_2\tilde{k}_{t+1} + b_3\tilde{k}_{t+2} + b_4\tilde{h}_t + b_5\tilde{h}_{t+1} + b_6\tilde{z}_t + b_7\tilde{\tau}_{xt} + b_8\tilde{g}_t + b_9\tilde{z}_{t+1} + b_{10}\tau_{xt+1} + b_{11}\tilde{g}_{t+1}]$$

Where tilde variables are log deviations from Steady State. Stacking up the equations we get:

$$0 = E_t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_3 & b_5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{k}_{t+1} \\ \tilde{k}_{t+2} \\ \tilde{h}_{t+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{k}_t \\ \tilde{k}_{t+1} \\ \tilde{h}_t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_4 & a_5 & 0 & a_6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_6 & 0 & b_7 & b_8 & b_9 & 0 & b_{10} & b_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

We call the first matrix  $A_1$ , and the second  $A_2$ . The code below log-linearizes and find these matrices:



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In [68]: function loglineq1(vector::Vector)
           k,k1,h,z,th,g= vector

           c = k^θ * (z *h)^(1-θ) - ((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k1-(1-δ)*k+g)
           eq = ψ *c - (1-th)*(1-θ) *(k/h)^θ *z^(1-θ)*(1-h)

           return eq
       end
       function loglineq2(vector::Vector)
           k,k1,k2,h,h1,z,tx,g,z1,tx1,g1 = (vector)
           c = k^θ * (z *h)^(1-θ) - ((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k1-(1-δ)*k+g)
           c1 = k1^θ * (z1 *h1)^(1-θ) - ((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k2-(1-δ)*k1+g1)
           eq = c^(-σ) *(1-h)^(ψ*(1-σ))*(1+tx) - β*(1+γz)^(-σ) * c1^(-σ) * (1-h1)^(
ψ*(1-σ)) *(θ*k1^(-θ)*(z1*h1)^(1-θ)+(1-δ)*(1+tx1))
           return eq
       end

       #Log deviations
       T=ForwardDiff.gradient(loglineq1,[kss,kss,hss,zss,thss,gss])
       a =[-kss*T[1]/(kss*T[1]),-kss*T[2]/(kss*T[1]),-hss*T[3]/(kss*T[1]),
       -zss*T[4]/(kss*T[1]),-thss*T[5]/(kss*T[1]),-gss*T[6]/(kss*T[1])]
       if ψ==0
           a[1],a[2:end]=-1,zeros(5)
       end

       T=ForwardDiff.gradient(loglineq2,[kss,kss,kss,hss,hss,zss,txss,gss,zss,txss,gss])
       b = [kss*T[1]/(-kss*T[1]),kss*T[2]/(-kss*T[1]),kss*T[3]/(-kss*T[1]),hss*T[4]/(-kss*T[1]),
       hss*T[5]/(-kss*T[1]),zss*T[6]/(-kss*T[1]),txss*T[7]/(-kss*T[1]),gss*T[8]/(-kss*T[1]),
       zss*T[9]/(-kss*T[1]),txss*T[10]/(-kss*T[1]),gss*T[11]/(-kss*T[1])]

       A1 = [1 0 0; 0 0 0; 0 b[3] b[5]]
       A2 = [0 -1 0; a[1] a[2] a[3]; b[1] b[2] b[4]]
       U = [0 0 0 0 0 0 0;
       a[4] a[5] 0 a[6] 0 0 0;
       b[6] 0 b[7] b[8] b[9] 0 b[10] b[11]]

       A1,A2

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Out[68]: ([1.0 0.0 0.0; 0.0 0.0 0.0; 0.0 -0.333771 -3.78908], [0.0 -1.0 0.0; -1.0 0.53
9929 -4.57582; -1.0 1.44879 4.64888])

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In [63]: T[1]

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Out[63]: 0.0

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We look for a solution of the form:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{k}_{t+1} &= A\tilde{k}_t + BS_t \\ Z_t &= CX_t + DS_t \\ S_t &= PS_{t-1} + Q\epsilon_t\end{aligned}$$

Where  $Z_t = [\tilde{k}_{t+1}, \tilde{h}_t]'$  and  $S_t$  are the stochastic exogenous variables. We compute the generalized eigenvalues and eigenvectors for matrices  $A_1$  and  $-A_2$  because  $A_1$  is not invertible. Thus,  $A_2V = -A_1V\Pi$  and we can get  $A$  and  $C$  by:

$$\begin{aligned}A &= V_{11}\Pi_{1,1}V_{1,1}^{-1} \\ C &= V_{2,1}V_{1,1}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

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In [69]: eig = eigen(A1,-A2)
V=eig.vectors
Π = eig.values
#Sorting
for j=1:3
for i=1:2
    if 0<abs(Π[i+1])<abs(Π[i])
        Π[i],Π[i+1] = Π[i+1],Π[i]
        V[:,i],V[:,i+1] = V[:,i+1],V[:,i]
    elseif abs(Π[i]) == 0
        Π[i],Π[end] =Π[end],Π[i]
        V[:,i],V[:,end]=V[:,end],V[:,i]
    end
end
end
if abs(Π[1])>1
    error("All Eigen Values outside unit circle")
end
Π= Diagonal(Π)
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Out[69]: 3×3 Diagonal{Float64,Array{Float64,1}}:
-4.79325e-17  .  .
.  0.378704  .
.  .  1.02281
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In [70]: A = V[1,1]*Π[1,1]*inv(V[1,1])
C = V[2:end,1]*(V[1,1])
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Out[70]: 2-element Array{Float64,1}:
-1.5897533413258563e-16
1.400375515033149e-17
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In [71]: P = [pg 0 0 0;
0 px 0 0 ;
0 0 ph 0 ;
0 0 0 pz]
Q = [qg 0 0 0;
0 qx 0 0 ;
0 0 qh 0 ;
0 0 0 qz]
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Out[71]: 4x4 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.025  0.0   0.0   0.0
 0.0    0.02  0.0   0.0
 0.0    0.0   0.03  0.0
 0.0    0.0   0.0   0.01
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Finally, to get the matrices  $B$  and  $D$ , we just need to solve a linear system of equations (see Ellen's notes):

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In [72]: function system!(eq,vector::Vector)
    #vector = rand(8)
    #eq= rand(8)
    B=vector[1:4]'
    D2 = vector[5:8]'

    eq[1:4] = a[2].*B .+ a[3].*D2 .+ [a[4] a[5] 0 a[6]]
    eq[5:8] = b[2].*B .+ b[3].*A.*B .+ b[3].*B*P .+ b[4].*D2 .+ b[5].*C[2].*B
    .+ b[5].*B*P.+
    [b[6] 0 b[7] b[8]].+[b[9] 0 b[10] b[11] ]*P
    return eq
end

Sol = nlsolve(system!, ones(8),ftol = :1.0e-20, method = :trust_region , autos
cale = true)
D=ones(2,4)
D[1,:]= Sol.zero[1:4]
D[2,:]= Sol.zero[5:8]
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Out[72]: 4-element Array{Float64,1}:
 -0.19888682686145384
 -0.0018930454930331114
 -0.001358120833669497
 0.06906595292429356
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Just to check that the code works, We simulate a series for capital and labor with the parameters above.

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In [73]: T=100  
S= ones(4,T).* [0,0,0,zss]  
Z=ones(2,T).*[kss,hss]  
  
for t=2:T  
    S[:,t] = P*S[:,t-1]+Q*randn(4,1)  
    Z[:,t] = C*Z[1,t] + D*S[:,t]  
end  
  
plot([Z[1,:],Z[2,:]],labels = ["K","L"])
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Out[73]:

