

# 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 [1]: using Plots, NLSolve, ForwardDiff, DataFrames, LinearAlgebra, QuantEcon, Plots
, Optim, Statistics
#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 #Productivitu growth rate
gss = 0.1 #average g
τxss = 0.05 #average τx
thss = 0.02 #average τh
zss = 0.0 #average z (z is in logs)

#Parameters to be estimated
ρg = 0.8
ρx = 0.5
ρh = 0.7
ρz = 0.9

σg = 0.02
σx = 0.01
σz = 0.02
σh = 0.01

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Out[1]: 0.01

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

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In [2]: #Function with the FOCs
zss = exp(zss)

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/θ) -
    (β*(1+γz)^(-σ) * c1^(-σ) * (1-h1)^(ψ*(1-σ)) * θ*(z1*h1)^(1-θ))^(-1/θ)* k1
    return eq
end

kss = (θ*β)^(1/θ)

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[2]: 2-element Array{Float64,1}:
 0.06450057178639043
 0.8483596073490938

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= E_t[a_1\tilde{k}_t + a_2\tilde{k}_{t+1} + a_3\tilde{h}_t + a_4\tilde{z}_t + a_5\tilde{\tau}_{ht} + a_6\tilde{g}_t] \\
 0 &= E_t[b_1\tilde{k}_t + b_2\tilde{k}_{t+1} + b_3\tilde{k}_{t+2} + b_4\tilde{h}_t + b_5\tilde{h}_{t+1} + b_6\tilde{z}_t + b_7\tilde{\tau}_{xt} + b_8\tilde{g}_t + b_9\tilde{z}_{t+1} + b_{10}\tau_{xt+1} + b_{11}\tilde{g}_{t+1}]
 \end{aligned}$$

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:



```

In [3]: function loglineq1(vector::Vector)
        k,k1,h,z,th,g= vector

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

        return eq
    end
    function loglineq2(vector::Vector)
        k,k1,k2,h,h1,z,tx,g,z1,tx1,g1 = (vector)
        c = k * ((z *h)^(1-θ))^(1/θ) - ((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k1-(1-δ)*k+ g )^(1/θ)
        c1 = k * ((z1 *h1)^(1-θ))^(1/θ) - ((1+γz)*(1+γn)*k2-(1-δ)*k1+ g1 )^(1/θ)
        eq = (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/θ) -
            (β*(1+γz)^(-σ) * c1^(-σ) * (1-h1)^(ψ*(1-σ)) * θ*(z1*h1)^(1-θ))^(-1/θ)* k1
        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,gs
    s])
    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 0;
    b[6] 0 b[7] b[8] b[9] 0 b[10] b[11]]

    A1,A2

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Out[3]: ([1.0 0.0 0.0; 0.0 0.0 0.0; 0.0 0.15248 1.12256], [0.0 -1.0 0.0; -1.0 0.16145
4 -10.5341; -1.0 -0.24338 -0.186122])

```

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:

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

```
In [4]: eig = eigen(A1,-A2)
V=eig.vectors
Π = eig.values
#Sorting
for j=1:3
for i=1:2
    if eps(Float64)<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]) < eps(Float64)
        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)
```

```
Out[4]: 3×3 Diagonal{Float64,Array{Float64,1}}:
 0.273179      .      .
      .    -0.632321      .
      .      .    5.12332e-20
```

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In [5]: A = V[1,1]*Π[1,1]*inv(V[1,1])
C = V[2:end,1]*(V[1,1])
C = hcat(C,zeros(2,1))
```

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Out[5]: 2×2 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.273179      0.0
-0.00289734    0.0
```

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In [6]: P = [pz 0 0 0;
0 ph 0 0 ;
0 0 px 0 ;
0 0 0 pg]
Q = [sz 0 0 0;
0 oh 0 0 ;
0 0 ox 0 ;
0 0 0 og]
```

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Out[6]: 4x4 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.02  0.0   0.0   0.0
 0.0   0.01  0.0   0.0
 0.0   0.0   0.01  0.0
 0.0   0.0   0.0   0.02
```

Finally, to get the matrices  $B$  and  $D$ , we just need to solve a linear system of equations (see Ellen's notes):

```
In [7]: 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]
```

```
Out[7]: 4-element Array{Float64,1}:
 -0.16820511698158988
 -0.002517589267184217
  0.0002701330297408085
  0.02143783795673327
```

Now, I will rewrite the model in the form of the exercise, namely:

$$X_{t+1} = AX_t + B\varepsilon_{t+1}$$

$$Y_t = CX_t + \omega_t$$

Where,  $X_t = [k_t, s_t]$ ,  $s_t = [z_t, \tau_{ht}, \tau_{xt}, g_t]$ ,  $Y_t = [y_t, x_t, h_t]$  and as before:

$$s_{t+1} = Ps_t + Q\varepsilon_{t+1}$$

We need to log linearize  $y, x$  since we already done it for labor:

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In [8]: #Rewritting to match Anmol's notation
A = hcat(vcat(C[1],zeros(4,1)),vcat(D[1,:]',P))
B = hcat(zeros(5,1),vcat(zeros(1,4),Q))

#We have h as function of states. To find the Matrix B, we need to find y and
x
#as a function of states

function kt1(vector::Vector)
    k,z,th,tx,g = vector
    tilde = log.([k,z,th,tx,g]).-log.([kss,zss,thss,txss,gss])
    for i = 1:length(tilde)
        if isnan(tilde[i])
            tilde[i] = 0
        end
    end
    k1= A[1,:]' * tilde
    return k1
end

function ht(vector::Vector)
    k,z,th,tx,g = vector
    tilde = log.([k,z,th,tx,g]).-log.([kss,zss,thss,txss,gss])
    for i = 1:length(tilde)
        if isnan(tilde[i])
            tilde[i] = 0
        end
    end
    h = C[2,1]*(log(k)-log(kss)) + D[2,:]' * tilde[2:end]
    return h
end

```

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Out[8]: ht (generic function with 1 method)

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In [9]: #Log-linearizing y as a function of states
function yt(vector::Vector)
    k,z,th,tx,g = vector
    h = exp(ht(vector)+log(hss))
    y = k^θ * (z*h)^(1-θ)
    return y
end

#GDP
yss = kss^(θ)*(zss*hss)^(1-θ)

T=ForwardDiff.gradient(yt,[kss,zss,thss,txss,gss])
ycoefs = [kss*T[1]/yss,zss*T[2]/yss,thss*T[3]/yss,txss*T[4]/yss,gss*T[5]/yss]

#Log linearizing x as function of states
function xt(vector::Vector)
    k,z,th,tx,g = vector
    k1 = exp(kt1(vector)+log(kss))
    x= (1+γn)*(1+γz)k1 - (1-δ)k

    return x
end
xss = (1+γz)*(1+γn)*kss-(1-δ)*kss
T=ForwardDiff.gradient(xt,[kss,zss,thss,txss,gss])
xcoefs = [kss*T[1]/xss,zss*T[2]/xss,thss*T[3]/xss,txss*T[4]/xss,gss*T[5]/xss]

#We have the matrix C!
C = [ycoefs[1] ycoefs[2] ycoefs[3] ycoefs[4] ycoefs[5];
xcoefs[1] xcoefs[2] xcoefs[3] xcoefs[4] xcoefs[5];
C[2,1] D[2,1] D[2,2] D[2,3] D[2,4]]

```

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Out[9]: 3×5 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.331402  0.55453  -0.00167839  0.000180089  0.0142919
 0.273179  1.41284  -0.000681521  0.0176249  -0.151655
-0.00289734 -0.168205  -0.00251759  0.000270133  0.0214378

```



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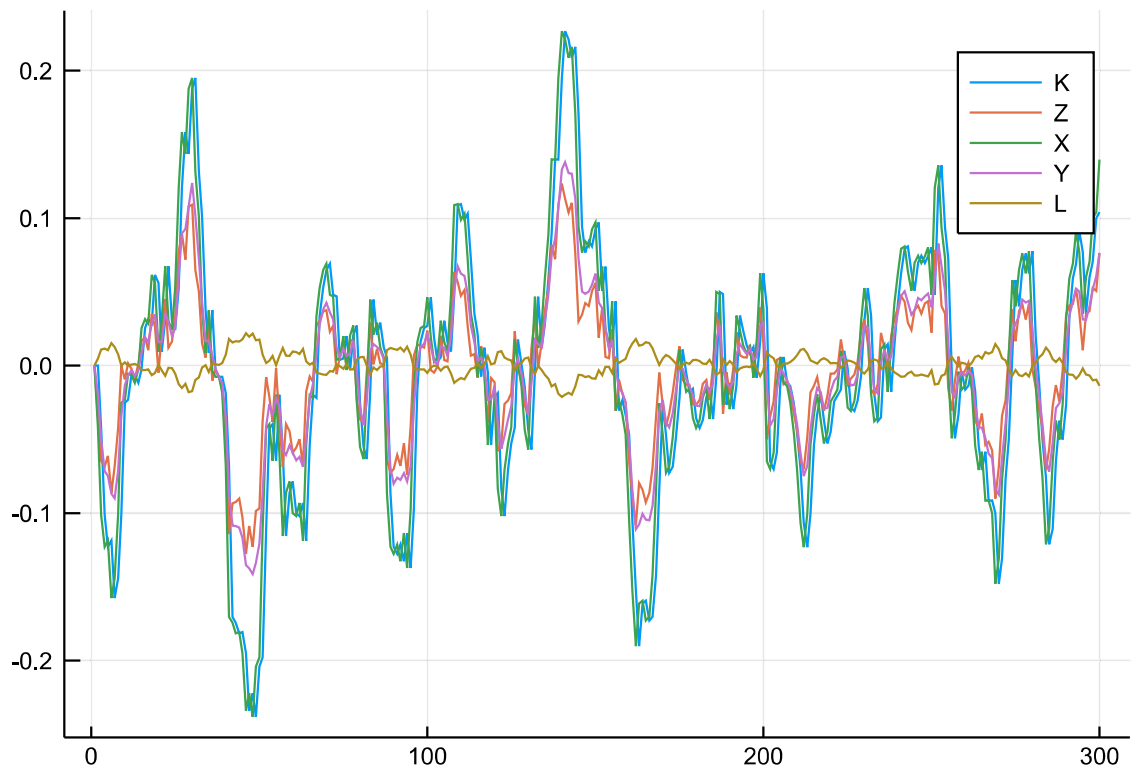
In [10]: #defining the vectors
T=300
X= ones(5,T).* [0,0,0,0,0]
Y = ones(3,T).*[0,0,0]

for t=1:T

    if t>1
        X[:,t] = A*X[:,t-1]+ B*randn(5,1)
    end
    Y[:,t] = C*X[:,t]
end
t=2
A*X[:,t-1]
plot([X[1,:],X[2,:],Y[2,:],Y[1,:],Y[3,:]],labels = ["K","Z","X","Y","L"])

```

Out[10]:



The code above is summarized in a function `State_Space` which returns the matrices A,B,C

```
In [47]: include("State_Space.jl")
```

Out[47]: `State_Space` (generic function with 2 methods)

## Question 2

## Data

We have quarterly data from Q3/1947 - Q4/2017

A brief description of data used is below:

h: Total hours per capita from Prescott, Ueberfeldt, and Cociuba

y: Real GDP from BEA NIPA table 1.1.6

g: Government consumption from BEA NIPA table 3.9.5 deflated by PCE

x: Real gross private domestic investment from BEA NIPA table 1.1.6 + government gross investment 3.9.5 (deflated by PCE)

y,g,x are in percapita terms (data was divided by population from Prescott, Ueberfeldt, and Cociuba)

We consider only logs and the trend of y,g and x was removed using HP filter 1600

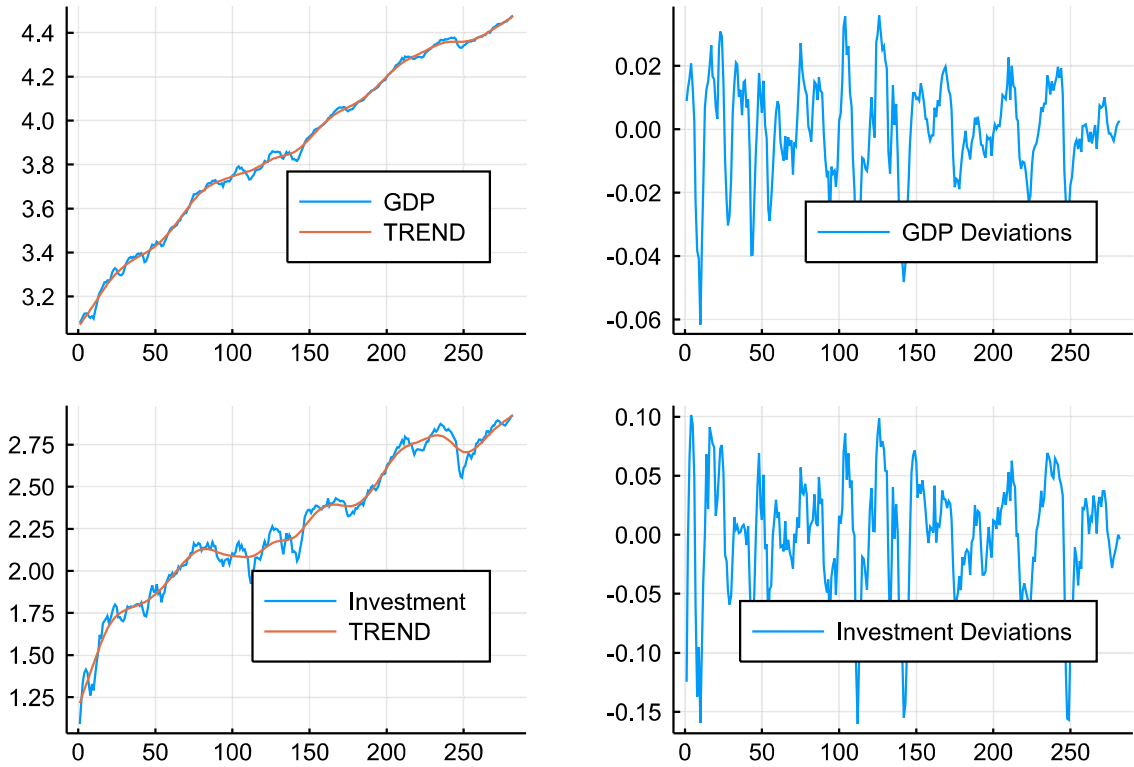
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In [12]: include("load_data.jl")
DATA = loaddata()
plot(
  plot([DATA[:GDP],DATA[:GDP_trend]],legend = :bottomright, label = ["GDP",
    "TREND"]),
  plot([DATA[:GDP_dev]], label = ["GDP Deviations"],legend = :bottomright),
  plot([DATA[:Investment],DATA[:Investment_trend]],legend = :bottomright, la
    bel = ["Investment","TREND"]),
  plot([DATA[:Investment_dev]],legend = :bottomright, label = ["Investment D
    eviations"]))

)

```

Out[12]:

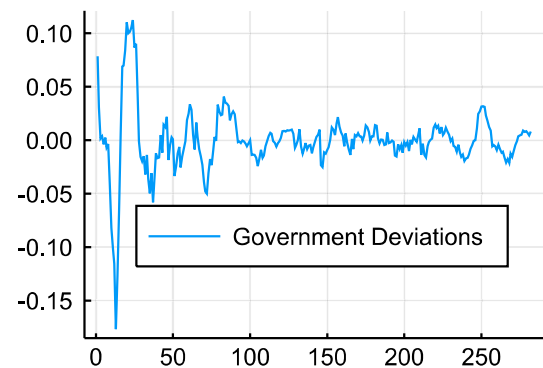
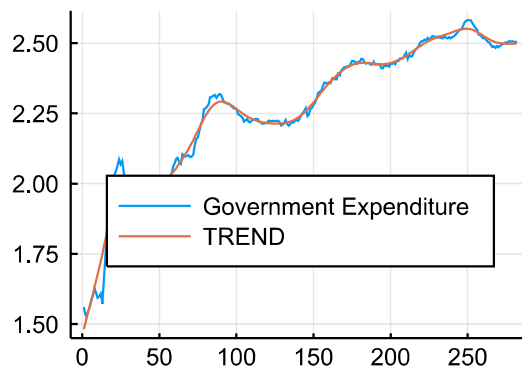
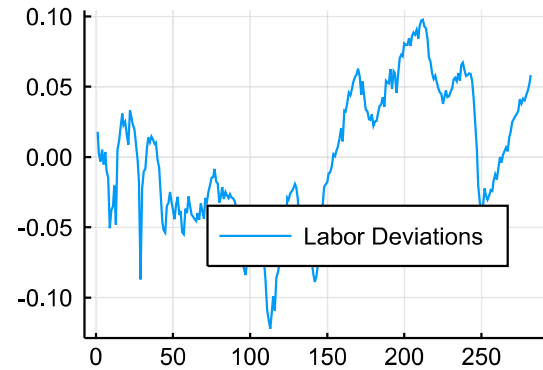
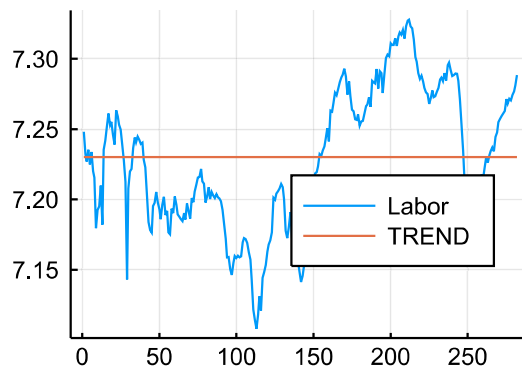


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In [13]: plot(      plot([DATA[:Labor],DATA[:Labor_trend]],legend = :bottomright, label
      = ["Labor","TREND"]),
      plot([DATA[:Labor_dev]],legend = :bottomright, label = ["Labor Deviations"]),
      plot([DATA[:GOV],DATA[:GOV_trend]],legend = :bottomright, label = ["Government Expenditure","TREND"]),
      plot([DATA[:GOV_dev]],legend = :bottomright, label = ["Government Deviations"]))
  )

```

Out[13]:



## Question 3

The Code below implements the Kalman Filter. I follow Ljungqvist and Sargent chapter 2 for that. We will plot the results below with the data above. Note that at this point I did not estimate P and Q.

```

In [14]: using Statistics
include("KalmanFilter.jl")
function KalmanFilter(Y,A,B,C)
  #Y: Observed variables

  n = size(A)[1] #number of state variables
  m = size(C)[1] #number of measurement variables
  T = size(Y)[2] #Sample size

  #Initializing the state variables
  X = zeros(n,T)
  #Variance initial guess
  Σ = ones(n,n)*ones(n,n)'
  d=10
  while d>10^(-15)
    Σ1 = A*Σ*A' + B*B'
    d = maximum(abs.(Σ-Σ1))
    Σ=Σ1
  end

  #Run the Kalman filter algorithm (see Ljunqvist Sargent)
  a=ones(m,T)
  Ω = C*Σ*C'
  for t = 1:T-1
    a[:,t] = Y[:,t] - C*X[:,t] #Error
    K = A*Σ*C' / (C*Σ*C') #Kalman Gain
    X[:,t+1] = A*X[:,t] +K*a[:,t] #Update the states
    Σ = B*B' + (A-K*C)*Σ*(A-K*C)' #Variance matrix
    Ω = [Ω C*Σ*C'] #store the relevant values
  end
  a[:,T] = Y[:,T] - C*X[:,T]
  Ω = [Ω C*Σ*C']

  return X, a, Ω
end

```

Out[14]: KalmanFilter (generic function with 1 method)

With the Kalman Filter, we get the Likelihood function:

```

In [15]: function likelihood(Y,Ω,a)
  m,T = size(Y)
  L = 0
  for t=1:T
    iteration = t
    L = L +(-T*m/2 * log(2*π)-0.5*log(det(Ω[:,m*t-(m-1):(m*t)]))) -
    0.5*a[:,t]'*(Ω[:,m*t-(m-1):(m*t)]\a[:,t]))
  end

  return L
end

```

Out[15]: likelihood (generic function with 1 method)

Now, we need to maximize it to get the estimates for P and Q, we assume that Q is a diagonal matrix. This code was also tested with simulated data and it works!

```
In [49]: include("KalmanFilter.jl")
initial = [0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.001,0.001,0.001,0.1,0.1,0.1,0.1,0.1] #pz,ph,px,p
g,σz,σh,σx,σg,gss,txss,thss,zss
DATA = loaddata()
Y = vcat(DATA[:GDP_dev]',DATA[:Investment_dev]',DATA[:Labor_dev]',DATA[:GOV_de
v]')
d=10
lower = zeros(12)
upper = [1.0,1,1,1,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5,0.5]
while d>10^(-7)
    global d, initial
    bla = optimize(maxloglikelihood,lower, upper, initial)
    d = maximum(abs.(initial - bla.minimizer))
    println(d)
    initial = bla.minimizer
end
pz,ph,px,pg,σz,σh,σx,σg,gss,txss,thss,zss = initial
P = [pz 0 0 0;
0 ph 0 0;
0 0 px 0;
0 0 0 pg]
```

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0.27845266514081085
0.28239040792151315
0.0
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Out[49]: 4×4 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.401329  0.0      0.0      0.0
 0.0      0.949834  0.0      0.0
 0.0      0.0      0.81503  0.0
 0.0      0.0      0.0      0.86479
```

```
In [50]: Q = [σz 0 0 0;
0 σh 0 0;
0 0 σx 0;
0 0 0 σg]
```

```
Out[50]: 4×4 Array{Float64,2}:
 0.0324907  0.0      0.0      0.0
 0.0      0.208172  0.0      0.0
 0.0      0.0      0.137513  0.0
 0.0      0.0      0.0      0.013652
```

Above are the estimated P and Q Matrices. I don't know why, the estimated variances for the investment and labour wedges are very high.

```
In [54]: steadystates = [gss,txss,thss,zss]
```

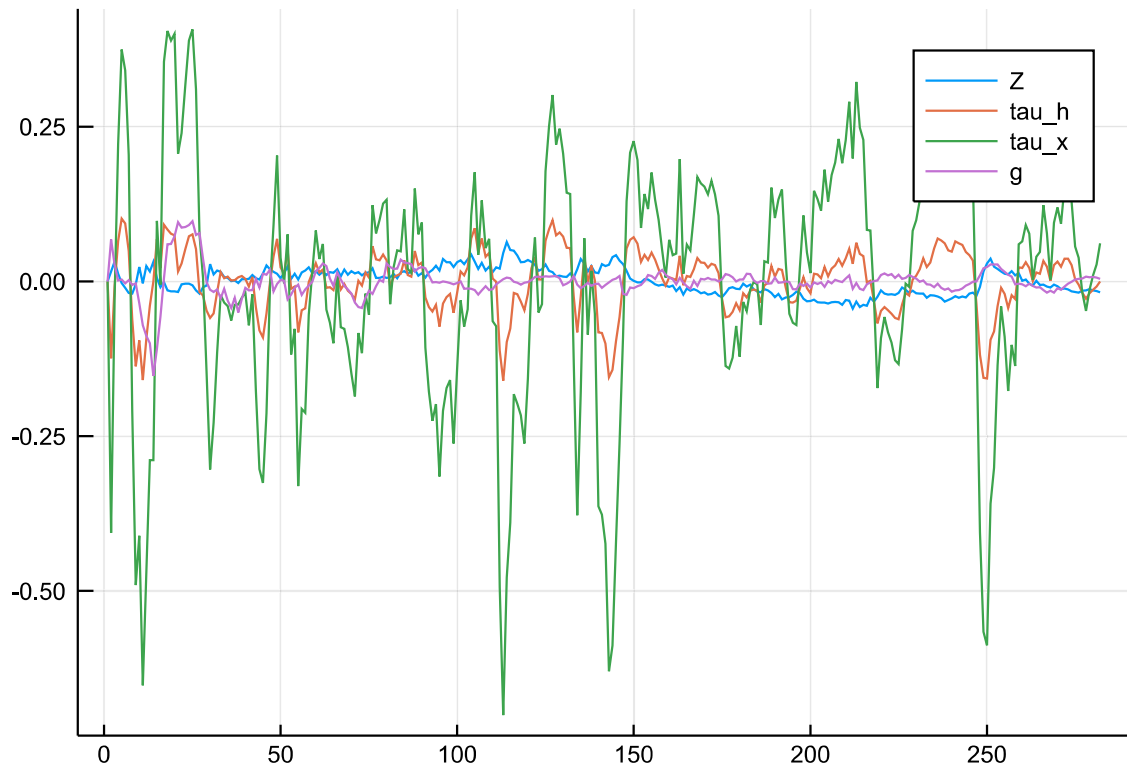
```
Out[54]: 4-element Array{Float64,1}:
 0.08932582477144198
 0.2623856718955942
 0.23590125815590599
 0.23506887642069707
```

## Question 4

Below are the simulated wedges

```
In [53]: using LaTeXStrings
params_calibrated = [ $\delta$ , $\theta$ , $\beta$ , $\sigma$ , $\psi$ , $\gamma_n$ , $\gamma_z$ ]
steadystates = [gss,txss,thss,zss]
A,B,C = State_Space(params_calibrated,steadystates, P,Q)
X, a,  $\Omega$  = KalmanFilter(Y,A,B,C)
plot([X[2,:],X[1,:],X[4,:],X[5,:]],labels = ["Z","tau_h","tau_x","g"])
```

Out[53]:



## Question 5