

NKM - SHORT REVIEW AND PRACTICE QUESTIONS

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PLAN FOR TODAY

1. Short review of the New Keynesian Model
2. Practice question I
3. Practice question II

THREE-EQUATION NK MODEL

The log-linearized NK model boils down to three equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{D-IS:} \quad & \hat{y}_t = -\sigma[\hat{i}_t - E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\}] + E_t\{\hat{y}_{t+1}\} \\ \text{NKPC:} \quad & \hat{\pi}_t = \kappa \underbrace{(\hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_t^{flex})}_{\text{Output Gap}} + \beta E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\} + u_t \\ \text{MR:} \quad & \hat{i}_t = \phi_\pi \hat{\pi}_t + v_t\end{aligned}$$

with

- three unknowns: \hat{i}_t , \hat{y}_t , and $\hat{\pi}_t$,
- productivity shocks drive the output gap $\hat{y}_t^{flex} = \frac{1+\varphi}{\gamma+\varphi} \hat{a}_t$,
- the monetary policy shock v_t .
- the cost push shock u_t

THREE-EQUATION NK MODEL - DYNAMIC IS

Dynamic IS: Relates output to future expectations of output and the real interest rate

1. Solve HH block for (non-linear) Euler:

$$1 = \beta E_t \left\{ (1 + i_t) \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \frac{C_{t+1}^{-\gamma}}{C_t^{-\gamma}} \right\} = E_t \{ \Lambda_{t,t+1} R_{t+1} \}$$

2. Log-linearize around zero-inflation steady state:

$$\hat{c}_t = -\frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\hat{i}_t - E_t \{ \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \} \right) + E_t \{ \hat{c}_{t+1} \}$$

3. Substitute with market clearing $Y = C$ and EIS $\sigma \equiv 1/\gamma$ (with iterated version):

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{y}_t &= -\sigma \left(\hat{i}_t - E_t \{ \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \} \right) + E_t \{ \hat{y}_{t+1} \} \\ \Rightarrow \hat{y}_t &= -\sigma E_t \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (\hat{r}_{t+s+1}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

THREE-EQUATION NK MODEL - NKPC

NKPC: inflation is expectations-augmented PDV of future marginal cost / markup deviations expressed in terms of output gap

1. Log-linearized price index (Dixit-Stiglitz + Calvo pricing)

$$P_t = \left[\theta P_{t-1}^{1-\epsilon} + (1-\theta) P_t^{*1-\epsilon} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\epsilon}} \Rightarrow \hat{\pi}_t = (1-\theta)(\hat{p}_t^* - \hat{p}_{t-1})$$

2. Log-linearized reset price from firm problem written recursively

$$P_t^* = (1+\mu)E_t \left\{ \frac{\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^s \Lambda_{t,t+s} Y_{t+s} P_{t+s}^{\epsilon-1}}{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \Lambda_{t,t+k} Y_{t+k} P_{t+k}^{\epsilon-1}} \frac{W_{t+s}}{A_{t+s}} \right\}$$
$$\Rightarrow \hat{p}_t^* = (1-\beta\theta)(\hat{p}_t + \hat{m}c_t) + \beta\theta E_t\{\hat{p}_{t+1}^*\}$$

3. Combine and iterate for inflation in terms of marginal cost deviation:

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \lambda \hat{m}c_t + \beta E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\}, \text{ where } \lambda = \frac{(1-\theta)(1-\beta\theta)}{\theta}$$
$$\Rightarrow \hat{\pi}_t = \lambda E_t \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s \hat{m}c_{t+s} \right\}$$

RTHREE-EQUATION NK MODEL - NKPC CONT.

4. Define marginal cost deviation in terms of output gap: output less natural (i.e., flexible price) level of output

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t^{flex} &= \varphi \hat{a}_t \quad \leftarrow \\
 \underline{\hat{m}c_t} &= \hat{w}_t - \hat{p}_t - \hat{a}_t = (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t - \varphi \hat{a}_t \\
 &\Rightarrow (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t^{flex} \equiv \varphi \hat{a}_t \text{ for } \hat{m}c_t^{flex} = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow \hat{m}c_t = (\gamma + \varphi) (\hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_t^{flex})
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Arrive at NKPC (with iterated version):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\pi}_t &= \kappa (\hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_t^{flex}) + \beta E_t \{ \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \} \text{ where } \kappa = \lambda(\gamma + \varphi) \\
 \hat{m}c_t &= (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t - \varphi \hat{a}_t \Rightarrow \hat{\pi}_t = \kappa E_t \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s (\hat{y}_{t+s} - \hat{y}_{t+s}^{flex}) \right\} \\
 &= (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t - (\gamma + \varphi) \hat{y}_t^{flex} \\
 &= (\gamma + \varphi) (\hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_t^{flex})
 \end{aligned}$$

THREE-EQUATION NK MODEL - MONETARY POLICY RULE

Central banks sets the nominal interest rate according to an interest rate (Taylor) rule

1. Log-linearized monetary rule:

$$\hat{i}_t = \phi_{\pi} \hat{\pi}_t + v_t$$

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

SPRING 2022 QUAL QUESTION

Consider the standard NK model with \hat{y}_t^{flex} normalized to zero:

$$\hat{y}_t = -\sigma[\hat{i}_t - E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\}] + E_t\{\hat{y}_{t+1}\}$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \kappa\hat{y}_t + \beta E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\}$$

$$\hat{i}_t = \phi_\pi\hat{\pi}_t + v_t$$

- a **(20pts)** Assume $v_t = \rho_v v_{t-1} + \epsilon_t^v$ with $\epsilon_t^v \sim N(0, \sigma_v^2)$. Solve for the equilibrium levels of \hat{y}_t , $\hat{\pi}_t$, \hat{i}_t , and $\hat{r}_t = \hat{i}_t - E_t\hat{\pi}_{t+1}$ as a function of v_t .
- b **(20pts)** Explain intuitively how a monetary policy shock affects the output, inflation, the nominal interest rate, and the real interest rate. (max 5 sentences)
- c **(15pts)** Briefly explain the identification problem in estimating the effect of monetary policy shocks on real output. (max 5 sentences)
- d **(30pts)** Briefly explain two approaches to solving the identification problem. (max 5 sentences each)

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$$\hat{y}_t = -\sigma[\hat{i}_t - E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\}] + E_t\{\hat{y}_{t+1}\} \quad D-IS$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \kappa\hat{y}_t + \beta E_t\{\hat{\pi}_{t+1}\} \quad NKPC$$

$$\hat{i}_t = \phi\pi\hat{\pi}_t + v_t \quad \pi Q$$

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Replace NK in D-IS:

$$\hat{y}_t = -\sigma[\phi\pi\hat{\pi}_t + v_t - E_t\hat{\pi}_{t+1}] + E_t\hat{y}_{t+1}$$

$$\hat{y}_t = -\sigma\phi\pi\hat{\pi}_t - \sigma v_t + \sigma E_t\hat{\pi}_{t+1} + E_t\hat{y}_{t+1}$$

+ NKPC

Guess:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y}_t &= \Psi_y v_t \\ \hat{\pi}_t &= \Psi_\pi v_t\end{aligned}$$

AR(1) for v_t

$$v_t = \rho v_{t-1} + \epsilon_t^v$$

How to get $E_t[\hat{x}_{t+1}]$?

$$E_t[\hat{x}_{t+1}] = E_t[\Psi_x v_{t+1}]$$

$$= \Psi_x E_t[v_{t+1}]$$

$$= \Psi_x E_t[\rho v_t + \epsilon_{t+1}^v]$$

$$= \Psi_x \rho \underbrace{E_t[v_t]} + \underbrace{E_t[\epsilon_{t+1}^v]}_0$$

$$E_t[\hat{x}_{t+1}] = \Psi_x \rho v_t$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \kappa \hat{y}_t + \beta E_t[\hat{\pi}_{t+1}]$$

$$\Psi_{\pi} v_t = \kappa \Psi_y v_t + \beta \rho \Psi_{\pi} v_t$$

$$[\Psi_{\pi} - \kappa \Psi_y - \beta \rho \Psi_{\pi}] v_t = 0 \quad \leftarrow$$

$$(1 - \beta \rho) \Psi_{\pi} = \kappa \Psi_y$$

$$\hookrightarrow \Psi_y = \frac{(1 - \beta \rho) \Psi_{\pi}}{\kappa}$$

$$\hat{y}_t = -\sigma \phi_\pi \hat{\pi}_t - \sigma v_t + \sigma E_t \hat{\pi}_{t+1} + E_t \hat{y}_{t+1}$$

$$\Psi_y v_t = -\sigma \phi_\pi \Psi_\pi v_t - \sigma v_t + \sigma \rho \Psi_\pi v_t + \rho \Psi_y v_t$$

$$\left[\Psi_y + \sigma \phi_\pi \Psi_\pi + \sigma - \sigma \rho \Psi_\pi - \rho \Psi_y \right] v_t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \rho) \Psi_y = \sigma (\rho - \phi_\pi) \Psi_\pi - \sigma$$

$$\Psi_y = \frac{\sigma (\rho - \phi_\pi)}{(1 - \rho)} \Psi_\pi - \frac{\sigma}{(1 - \rho)}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(p - \phi_{\pi})}{(1-p)} \Psi_{\pi} - \frac{\sigma}{(1-p)} = \frac{(1-\beta p)}{k} \Psi_{\pi}$$

$$\left[\frac{\sigma(p - \phi_{\pi})}{(1-p)} - \frac{(1-\beta p)}{k} \right] \Psi_{\pi} = \frac{\sigma}{1-p}$$

$$\frac{\sigma k (p - \phi_{\pi}) - (1-p)(1-\beta p)}{(1-p)k} \Psi_{\pi} = \frac{\sigma}{(1-p)}$$

$$\Psi_{\pi} = \frac{k \sigma}{\sigma k (p - \phi_{\pi}) - (1-p)(1-\beta p)}$$

$$\Psi_Y = \frac{(1 - \beta\rho)}{\cancel{k}} \frac{\cancel{k} \sigma}{\sigma k(\rho - \phi_\pi) - (1 - \rho)(1 - \beta\rho)}$$

Eq. Levels:

$$\hat{y}_t = \Psi_Y v_t ; \quad \hat{\pi}_t = \Psi_\pi v_t$$

$$\hat{c}_t = \phi_\pi \underbrace{\Psi_\pi v_t}_{\pi_t} + v_t = (1 + \phi_\pi \Psi_\pi) v_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{r}_t &= \hat{c}_t - E_t[\hat{\pi}_{t+1}] \\ &= (1 + \phi_\pi \Psi_\pi) v_t - \rho \Psi_\pi v_t \\ &= (1 + (\phi_\pi - \rho) \Psi_\pi) v_t \end{aligned}$$

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NEW KEYNESIAN MODEL - PRACTICE QUESTION

1. Cost-push shocks

Consider the standard new Keynesian model

$$\sigma = 1$$

$$\hat{x}_t = E_t \hat{x}_{t+1} - E_t (\hat{i}_t - \hat{\pi}_{t+1} - \hat{r}_{t+1}^n) \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \beta E_t \hat{\pi}_{t+1} + \kappa \hat{x}_t + u_t \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{i}_t = \phi_\pi \hat{\pi}_t, \quad \phi_\pi > 1 \quad (3)$$

- (a) Interpret each of the equations (1)-(3) (max 2 sentence each).
- (b) Assume $\hat{r}_t^n = 0$ and $u_t = \rho_u u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t^u$ with $\epsilon_t^u \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon^u}^2)$. Solve for the equilibrium levels of \hat{x}_t , $\hat{\pi}_t$, \hat{i}_t , and $\hat{r}_t = \hat{i}_t - E_t \hat{\pi}_{t+1}$ as a function of u_t .
- (c) Explain intuitively how a supply shock affects the output gap, inflation, the nominal interest rate, and the real interest rate. (4 sentences should suffice.)
- (d) Use your solution to express the loss function $L = \vartheta \text{var}(\hat{x}_t) + \text{var}(\hat{\pi}_t)$ as a function of the model parameters, where $\text{var}(\hat{x}_t)$ is the variance of the output gap and $\text{var}(\hat{\pi}_t)$ is the variance of inflation.
- (e) Show that the optimal interest rate rule satisfies $\phi_\pi = \rho_u + \frac{\kappa(1-\rho_u)}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)}$.
- (f) Using the optimal ϕ_π , show that $\hat{x}_t = -\frac{\kappa}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)} \hat{\pi}_t$.
- (g) The optimal monetary policy under discretion is $\hat{x}_t = -\frac{\kappa}{\vartheta} \hat{\pi}_t$. Does the optimal ϕ_π deliver a better, a worse, or the same loss? Explain intuitively. (No derivation should be necessary.)

(a) Interpret each of the equations (1)-(3)

Guess: $\hat{x}_t = \psi_x u_t$
 $\hat{\pi}_t = \psi_\pi u_t$

$$\psi_x = \frac{\rho_u - \phi\pi}{(1 - \beta\rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - \kappa(\rho_u - \phi\pi)}$$

$$\psi_\pi = \frac{1 - \rho_u}{(1 - \beta\rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - \kappa(\rho_u - \phi\pi)}$$

(b) Assume $\hat{r}_t^n = 0$ and $u_t = \rho_u u_{t-1} + e_t^u$. Solve for the equilibrium levels of \hat{x}_t , $\hat{\pi}_t$, \hat{i}_t and \hat{r}_t as a function of u_t .

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(c) Explain intuitively how a cost-push shock affects the output, inflation, the nominal interest rate, and the real interest rate. (max 4 sentences)



(d) Use your solution to express the loss function $L = \theta \text{var}(\hat{x}_t) + \text{var}(\hat{\pi}_t)$ as a function of the model parameters, where $\text{var}(\hat{x}_t)$ and $\text{var}(\hat{\pi}_t)$ are the variances of the output gap and inflation, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \theta \text{var}(\hat{x}_t) + \text{var}(\hat{\pi}_t) \\ &= \theta \text{var}(\Psi_x u_t) + \text{var}(\Psi_\pi u_t) \\ &= \theta \Psi_x^2 \text{var}(u_t) + \Psi_\pi^2 \text{var}(u_t) \end{aligned}$$

$$L = (\theta \Psi_x^2 + \Psi_\pi^2) \frac{\sigma_{\epsilon_u}^2}{(1 - \rho^2)}$$

$$V[u_t] = V[\rho u_{t-1}] + V[\epsilon_u]$$

$$V[u_t] = \rho^2 V[u_{t-1}] + \sigma_{\epsilon_u}^2$$

$$(1 - \rho^2) V[u_t] = \sigma_{\epsilon_u}^2$$

$$V[u_t] = \frac{\sigma_{\epsilon_u}^2}{1 - \rho^2}$$

(e) Show that the optimal interest rate rule satisfies $\phi_\pi = \rho_u + \frac{\kappa(1-\rho_u)}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)}$

minimize $L(\phi_\pi)$ wrt. to ϕ_π .

$$\min_{\phi_\pi} L(\phi_\pi) = \left(\theta \left[\frac{(1-\rho_u - \phi_\pi)}{(1-\beta\rho_u) - \kappa(1-\rho_u)} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{1-\rho_u}{(1-\beta\rho_u) - \kappa(1-\rho_u)} \right]^2 \right) A$$

$$A = \frac{\sigma_{\epsilon_u}^2}{1 - \rho_u^2}$$

loss function in terms of params.

$$= \frac{\theta (1-\rho_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1-\rho_u)^2}{[(1-\beta\rho_u)(1-\rho_u) - \kappa(1-\rho_u)]^2} A$$

$$L = \frac{\theta (p_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - p_u)^2}{[(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u) - \kappa (p_u - \phi_\pi)]^2} A$$

$$f(\phi_\pi) = \theta (p_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - p_u)^2$$

$$g(\phi_\pi) = [(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u) - \kappa (p_u - \phi_\pi)]^{-2}$$

$$L = f(\phi_\pi) g(\phi_\pi) \cdot A$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_\pi} = [f'(\phi_\pi) g(\phi_\pi) + f(\phi_\pi) g'(\phi_\pi)] A$$

$$f(\phi_\pi) = \theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - \rho_u)^2$$

$$g(\phi_\pi) = [(1 - \beta \rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - k(\rho_u - \phi_\pi)]^{-2}$$

$$L = f(\phi_\pi) g(\phi_\pi) \cdot A$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_\pi} = [f'(\phi_\pi) g(\phi_\pi) + f(\phi_\pi) g'(\phi_\pi)] A$$

$$f'(\phi_\pi) = -2\theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi)$$

$$g'(\phi_\pi) = -2k [(1 - \beta \rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - k(\rho_u - \phi_\pi)]^{-3}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_\pi} = \frac{-2\theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi)}{[(1 - \beta \rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - k(\rho_u - \phi_\pi)]^2} - \frac{2k [\theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - \rho_u)^2]}{[(1 - \beta \rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - k(\rho_u - \phi_\pi)]^3} = 0$$

$$= -\theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi) [(1 - \beta \rho_u)(1 - \rho_u) - k(\rho_u - \phi_\pi)] - k [\theta (\rho_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - \rho_u)^2] = 0$$

$$-\theta(p_u - \phi_\pi)[(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u) - \kappa(p_u - \phi_\pi)] - \kappa[\theta(p_u - \phi_\pi)^2 + (1 - p_u)^2] = 0$$

$$-\theta(p_u - \phi_\pi)(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u) + \cancel{\kappa\theta(p_u - \phi_\pi)^2} - \cancel{\kappa\theta(p_u - \phi_\pi)^2} - \kappa(1 - p_u)^2 = 0$$

$$p_u - \phi_\pi = - \frac{\kappa(1 - p_u)^2}{\theta(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u)}$$

$$\phi_\pi^* = \frac{\kappa(1 - p_u)^2}{\theta(1 - \beta p_u)(1 - p_u)} + p_u$$

(f) Using the optimal ϕ_π , show that $\hat{x}_t = -\frac{\kappa}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)} \hat{\pi}_t$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_t &= \Psi_x u_t \\ \hat{\pi}_t &= \Psi_\pi u_t\end{aligned} \rightarrow u_t = \frac{\hat{\pi}_t}{\Psi_\pi}$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \frac{\Psi_x}{\Psi_\pi} \hat{\pi}_t$$

$$\frac{\kappa(1-\rho_u)^*}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)(1-\rho_u)} + \rho_u$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \frac{\rho_u - \phi_\pi^*}{1 - \rho_u} \hat{\pi}_t$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \frac{\hat{\pi}_t}{1 - \rho_u} \left(\cancel{\rho_u - \rho_u} - \frac{\kappa(1-\rho_u)}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)} \right)$$

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$$\hat{x}_t = -\hat{\pi}_t \frac{\kappa}{\vartheta(1-\beta\rho_u)}$$

(g) The optimal monetary policy under discretion is $\hat{x}_t = -\frac{\kappa}{\theta} \hat{\pi}_t$. Does the optimal ϕ_π deliver a better, a worse or the same loss? Explain intuitively. (NO derivations needed)

$-\frac{\kappa}{\theta}$ discretion
 $\nwarrow \nearrow$
 $-\frac{\kappa}{\theta(1-\beta\rho_\pi)}$

A smaller coefficient, $|z| < 1$, on $x_t = z \pi_t$ implies a better trade-off for the CB.

note: same trade-off if cost-push shock has zero persistence. ($\rho_\pi = 0$)

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