

Model with Discrete Housing Choice

Given choice of housing, the choice specific value function is given by

$$v(m_t, y_t) = \max_{c_t} u(c_t) + \kappa h_{t+1} + \beta \mathbb{E}_t \left[V(m_{t+1}, y_{t+1}, h_{t+1}) \right] \quad (1)$$

s.t.

$$m_{t+1} = (1 + r)(m_t - c_t) + y_t \quad (2)$$

$$m_t \geq c_t \quad (3)$$

The continuation value if $h_{t-1} = 0$ is given by

$$V(m_t, y_t | h_{t-1} = 0) = \max_{h_t \in \{0,1\}} v(m_t - p_h h_t, y_t, h_t) \quad (4)$$

s.t

$$m_t \geq p_h h_t$$

while the continuation value if $h_{t+1} = 1$ is

$$V(m_t, y_t | h_{t-1} = 1) = \max_{h_t \in \{0,1\}} v(m_t + p_h, y_t, h_t) \quad (5)$$