Cocco, Gomes, and Maenhout (2005) REMARK

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Abstract

This paper contains the highlights from the REMARK file in Code>Python folder.

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GitHub: http://github.com/econ-ark/REMARK/REMARKS/CGMPort
(In GitHub repo, see `/Code` for tools for solving and simulating the model)

CLICK HERE for an interactive Jupyter Notebook that uses the Econ-ARK/HARK toolkit to produce our figures (warning: it may take several minutes to launch). Information about citing the toolkit can be found at Acknowleding Econ-ARK.

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1 Introduction

2 The Problem

2.1 Setup

The consumer solves an optimization problem from period t until the end of life at T defined by the objective

$$\max \ \mathbb{E}_t \left[\sum_{n=0}^{T-t} \beta^n \mathrm{u}(\mathbf{c}_{t+n}) \right] \tag{1}$$

where $\mathrm{u}(\bullet) = \bullet^{1-\rho}/(1-\rho)$ is a constant relative risk aversion utility function with $\rho > 1$.[1,2] The consumer's initial condition is defined by market resources $\mathbf{m}_t$ and permanent noncapital income $\mathbf{p}_t$.

[1] The main results also hold for logarithmic utility which is the limit as $\rho \to 1$ but incorporating the logarithmic special case in the proofs is cumbersome and therefore omitted.

[2] We will define the infinite horizon solution as the limit of the finite horizon problem as the horizon $T-t$ approaches infinity.