

ECON 210C-2 PS 4

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1 Productivity shocks in the Three Equations

(a) See attached notes for the work. Guess $\hat{y}_t = \Psi_{ya}\hat{a}_t$ and $\hat{\pi}_t = \Psi_{\pi a}\hat{a}_t$. Solve for Ψ_{ya} and $\Psi_{\pi a}$.

$$\Psi_{ya} = \frac{\kappa(1-\varphi)(1-\beta\rho)(\sigma\phi_\pi + \rho)}{(\gamma + \varphi)(1-\beta\rho)(\rho-1) - \kappa(\sigma\phi_\pi + \rho)}$$

$$\Psi_{\pi a} = \frac{\kappa(1-\varphi)(1-\beta\rho)(\rho-1)}{(\gamma + \varphi)(1-\beta\rho)(\rho-1) - \kappa(\sigma\phi_\pi + \rho)}$$

(b) IRFs:

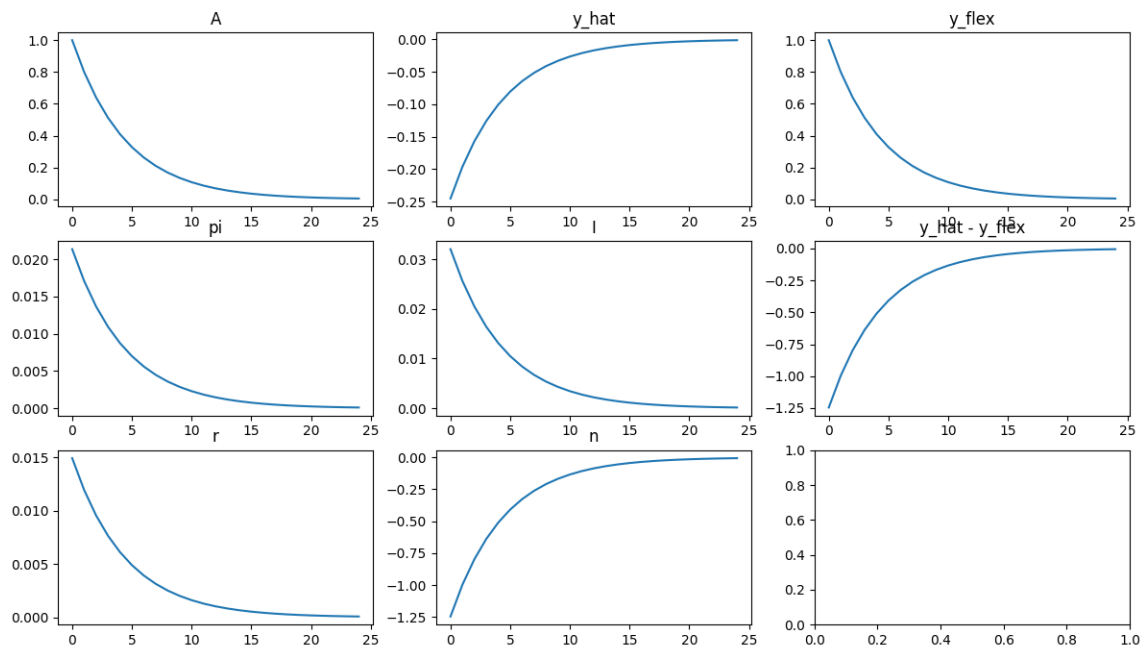


Figure 1: Q1.b

(c) First note that κ is a function of θ which describes what portion of firms can update their prices. A 1 unit increase in \hat{a} naturally causes \hat{y} to go up, because we assumed $\sigma = 1$, we are assuming log utilities,

thus there is no intertemporal substitution of labor as a function of A in a flexible environment, so \hat{y} tracks \hat{a} precisely.

As it is, prices are not fully flexible, so \hat{y} goes down, labor by more (the marginal return to labor is greater due to higher \hat{a} . $\hat{\pi}$ goes up, because prices are relatively higher. The real interest rate, which is $\hat{r}_t = \hat{i}_t - E\hat{\pi}_{t+1}$ goes up but not by as much as either inflation or the nominal interest rate.

- (d) My IRFs have π as positive, whereas the irfs in the jupyter notebook. This probably means there is an error in my psi algebra.

2 Non-linear NK model in Jupyter

- (a) *Why is the real reset price equation not recursive?* All of the pricing values within the expectation are just a weighting over the sum of all future (relative to price t , not $t+s$) weights. The denominator for any given $s > 0$ is backward and forward looking.

- (b) see figure 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \text{ b) } F_{2t} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+k} (P_{t+k}/P_t)^{\epsilon-1} Y_{t+k} \\
 &= Y_t + \theta \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_t} \right)^{\epsilon-1} Y_{t+1+k} \\
 &= Y_t + \theta \left(\frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right)^{\epsilon-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\epsilon-1} Y_{t+1+k} \\
 &= Y_t + \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\epsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t+1,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\epsilon-1} Y_{t+1+k} \\
 &= Y_t + \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\epsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} F_{2t+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure 2: 2.b

- (c) see figure 3
(d) see figure 4
(e) When $p^* > 1$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &> \theta \Pi_t^{\epsilon-1} + (1 - \theta) \\
 \theta &< \theta \Pi_t^{\epsilon-1} \\
 1 &> \Pi_t^{\epsilon-1} \\
 1 &< \Pi_t
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\epsilon < 1$

- (f) (See Code)
(g) (See Figure 5)
(h) If θ is close to zero, then the impulse response functions perfectly map to the changes in productivity. The prices nearly always change and are flexible. Where θ is close to 1, prices are very sticky, so inflation is practically zero.
(i) The same shock in an RBC model without capital would look like $\theta = 0.9999$ (or in fact, $\theta = 1$). The main difference is that in RBC you have competitive

$$\begin{aligned}
2c) \quad F_t &\equiv (1+\mu) \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t,t+s} Y_{t+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+s}}{P_t} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+s}/P_t}{A_{t+s}} \\
&= (1+\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + \\
&\quad (1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_t}{A_{t+1+s}} \\
&= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + \left[(1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t+1,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_{t+1}}{A_{t+1+s}} \cdot \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right] \\
&= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + \left[(1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t+1,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_{t+1}}{A_{t+1+s}} \right] \\
&= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + (1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon} \lambda_{t,t+1} F_{t+1}
\end{aligned}$$

Figure 3: 2.c

$$\begin{aligned}
2d: \quad P_t &= \left(\theta P_{t-1}^{1-\varepsilon} + (1-\theta) P_t^{*1-\varepsilon} \right)^{1/(1-\varepsilon)} \\
P_t^{1-\varepsilon} &= \theta P_{t-1}^{1-\varepsilon} + (1-\theta) P_t^{*1-\varepsilon} \\
1 &= \theta \pi^{\varepsilon-1} + (1-\theta) \frac{P_t^{*1-\varepsilon}}{P_t^{1-\varepsilon}} \\
\text{Now does} \\
\frac{P_t^*}{P_t} &= P_t^* ?
\end{aligned}$$

Figure 4: 2.d

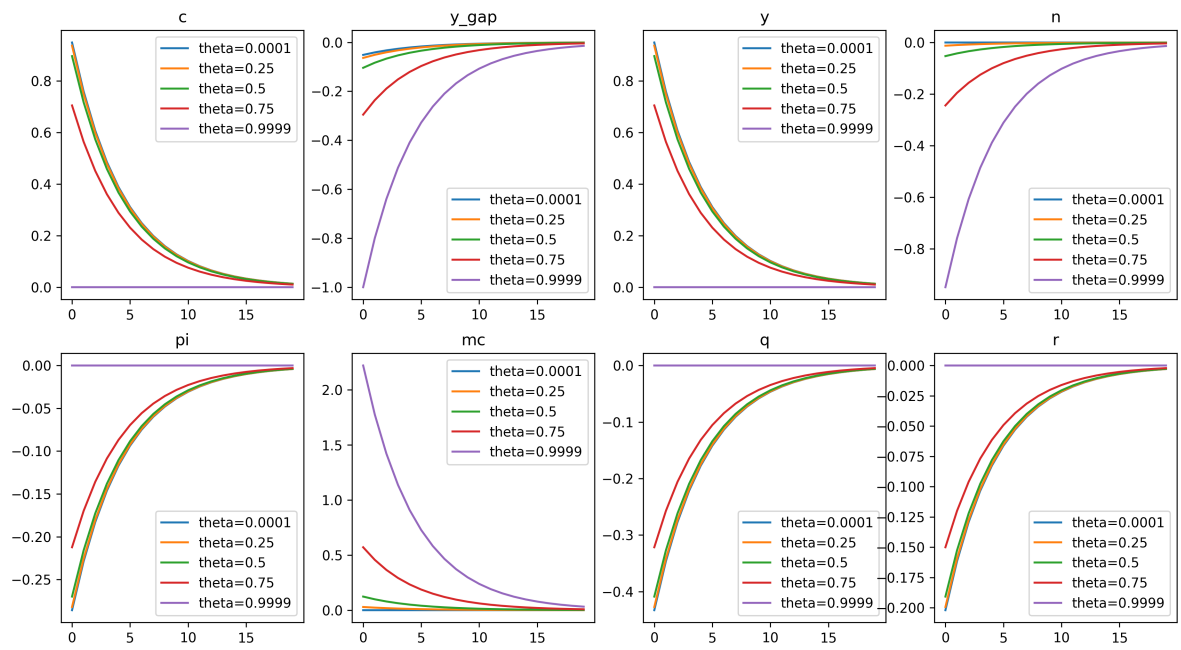


Figure 5: Q2.g

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Problem Set 4.

$$1) \hat{y}_t = -\sigma [\hat{z}_t - \mathbb{E} \{ \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \}] + \mathbb{E} \{ \hat{y}_{t+1} \}$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t = \kappa (\hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_t^{\text{flex}}) + \beta \mathbb{E} \{ \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \}$$

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

$$\hat{a}_t = \rho_a \hat{a}_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

guess $\hat{y}_t = \psi_{ya} \hat{a}_t$
 $\hat{\pi}_t = \psi_{\pi a} \hat{a}_t$

$$\psi_{ya} \hat{a}_t = \hat{y}_t = -\sigma [\phi_{\pi} \psi_{\pi a} \hat{a}_t - \mathbb{E} \{ \psi_{\pi a} \hat{a}_{t+1} \}]$$

$$+ \mathbb{E} \{ \psi_{ya} \hat{a}_{t+1} \}$$

$$= \hat{a}_t [-\sigma \phi_{\pi} \psi_{\pi a} - \psi_{\pi a} \rho + \psi_{ya} \rho]$$

$$\psi_{ya} = -\sigma \phi_{\pi} \psi_{\pi a} - \psi_{\pi a} \rho + \psi_{ya} \rho$$

$$\psi_{ya} = \frac{\psi_{\pi a} (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho)}{\rho - 1}$$

$$\psi_{\pi a} \hat{a}_t = \kappa [\psi_{ya} \hat{a}_t - \frac{1+\varphi}{\delta+\varphi} \hat{a}_t] + \beta \rho \hat{a}_t \psi_{\pi a}$$

$$\psi_{\pi a} (1 - \beta \rho) = \kappa [\psi_{ya} - \frac{1+\varphi}{\delta+\varphi}]$$

$$\psi_{\pi a} = \left[\frac{\kappa \psi_{\pi a} (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho)}{\rho - 1} - \kappa \frac{1+\varphi}{\delta+\varphi} \right] / (1 - \beta \rho)$$

$$\psi_{\pi a} \left(1 - \frac{\kappa (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho)}{(1 - \beta \rho)(\rho - 1)} \right) = \kappa \frac{1+\varphi}{\delta+\varphi}$$

$$\star \psi_{\pi a} = \frac{\kappa (1+\varphi) (1 - \beta \rho) (\rho - 1)}{(\delta + \varphi) (1 - \beta \rho) (\rho - 1) - \kappa (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho)}$$

$$\psi_{ya} = \frac{\kappa (1+\varphi) (1 - \beta \rho) (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho)}{(\delta + \varphi) ((1 - \beta \rho) (\rho - 1) - \kappa (\sigma \phi_{\pi} + \rho))}$$

$$2b) F_{2t} \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+k} (P_{t+k}/P_t)^{\varepsilon-1} Y_{t+k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \theta^0 \lambda_{t,t} P_t/P_t Y_t = Y_t \\ & = Y_t + \theta \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_t} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} Y_{t+1+k} \end{aligned}$$

$$= Y_t + \theta \left(\frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon} Y_{t+1+k}$$

$$= Y_t + \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta^k \lambda_{t+1,t+1+k} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+k}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} Y_{t+1+k}$$

$$= Y_t + \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} F_{2t+1}$$

$$2c) F_{1t} \equiv (1+\mu) \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t,t+s} Y_{t+s} (P_{t+s}/P_t)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+s}/P_t}{A_{t+s}}$$

$$= (1+\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} +$$

$$(1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right)^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_t}{A_{t+1+s}}$$

$$= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + \left[(1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon-1} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t+1,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right) \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_{t+1}}{A_{t+1}} \cdot \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right]$$

$$= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + \left[(1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon} \lambda_{t,t+1} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \theta^s \lambda_{t+1,t+1+s} Y_{t+1+s} \left(\frac{P_{t+1+s}}{P_{t+1}} \right) \frac{W_{t+1+s}/P_{t+1}}{A_{t+1}} \right]$$

$$= (1-\mu) Y_t \frac{W_t/P_t}{A_t} + (1-\mu) \theta \pi_{t+1}^{\varepsilon} \lambda_{t,t+1} F_{1t+1}$$

$$\text{Qd: } P_+ = [\theta P_{+,1}^{1-\varepsilon} + (1-\theta) P_+^*{}^{1-\varepsilon}]^{1/(1-\varepsilon)}$$

$$P_+^{1-\varepsilon} = \theta P_{+,1}^{1-\varepsilon} + (1-\theta) P_+^*{}^{1-\varepsilon}$$

$$1 = \theta \Pi^{\varepsilon-1} + (1-\theta) \frac{P_+^*{}^{1-\varepsilon}}{P_+^{1-\varepsilon}}$$

How does

$$\frac{P_+^*}{P_+} = p_+^*?$$

This doesn't track with other log linearization we have done...