

FIN 970: Final Exam

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1 Problem 1a

1. Using SDF approach:

Conjecture $P_t^n = \exp(A_n + B'_n X_t)$. Proof by induction.

For $n = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} P_t^1 &= E_t[M_{t+1} \cdot 1] \\ \implies \exp(A_1 + B'_1 X_t) &= E_t \left[\exp \left(-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - \lambda'_t \varepsilon_{t+1} \right) \right] \\ \implies E_t \left[-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - \lambda'_t \varepsilon_{t+1} \right] &= -\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t \\ \text{Var}_t \left[-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - \lambda'_t \varepsilon_{t+1} \right] &= \lambda'_t \lambda_t \\ \implies \exp(A_1 + B'_1 X_t) &= \exp \left(-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t \right) \\ \implies \begin{cases} A_1 = -\delta_0 \\ B_1 = -\delta'_1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For some n , the Euler equation holds:

$$\begin{aligned} P_t^n &= E_t[M_{t+1} P_{t+1}^{n-1}] \\ \exp(A_n + B'_n X_t) &= E_t \left[\exp \left(-r_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - \lambda'_t \varepsilon_{t+1} \right) \exp(A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} X_{t+1}) \right] \\ &= E_t \left[\exp \left(-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - \lambda'_t \varepsilon_{t+1} + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} (\mu + \Phi X_t + \Sigma \varepsilon_{t+1}) \right) \right] \\ &= E_t \left[\exp \left(-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu + B'_{n-1} \Phi X_t + [B'_{n-1} \Sigma - \lambda'_t] \varepsilon_{t+1} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& E_t \left[-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu + B'_{n-1} \Phi X_t + [B'_{n-1} \Sigma - \lambda'_t] \varepsilon_{t+1} \right] \\
& = -\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu + B'_{n-1} \Phi X_t \\
& Var_t \left[-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu + B'_{n-1} \Phi X_t + [B'_{n-1} \Sigma - \lambda'_t] \varepsilon_{t+1} \right] \\
& = [B'_{n-1} \Sigma - \lambda'_t] [B'_{n-1} \Sigma - \lambda'_t]' \\
& = B'_{n-1} \Sigma \Sigma' B_{n-1} + \lambda'_t \lambda_t - 2 B'_{n-1} \Sigma \lambda_t
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\exp(A_n + B'_n X_t) &= \exp \left(-\delta_0 - \delta_1 X_t - \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu + B'_{n-1} \Phi X_t \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} B'_{n-1} \Sigma \Sigma' B_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_t \lambda_t - B'_n \Sigma (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 X_t) \right) \\
&= \exp \left(-\delta_0 + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} \mu - B'_{n-1} \Sigma \lambda_0 + \frac{1}{2} B'_{n-1} \Sigma \Sigma' B_{n-1} + (-\delta_1 + B'_{n-1} \Phi - B'_{n-1} \Sigma \lambda_1) X_t \right) \\
&\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A_n = -\delta_0 + A_{n-1} + B'_{n-1} (\mu - \Sigma \lambda_0) + \frac{1}{2} B'_{n-1} \Sigma \Sigma' B_{n-1} \\ B_n = -\delta_1 + (\Phi - \Sigma \lambda_1)' B_{n-1} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$