

Monetary Policy when the Phillips Curve is Quite Flat

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Introduction : Inflation

- ▶ US and EZ situation with low unemployment *and* low inflation was puzzling just before the COVID-19 outbreak.
- ▶ This is one in a set of puzzles in the behaviour of inflation over the last 20 years, when observed through the lens of a New Keynesian model
 - × missing deflation in the Great Recession
 - × missing volatility of inflation at the ZLB
 - × price puzzle following a monetary shock
 - × missing inflation in 2020 given supply shock and lax monetary policy
- ▶ We propose to revive an old idea (cost channel of monetary policy), and show that it can solve those puzzles and be empirically relevant.

Introduction

What we do

1. Theoretical exploration of a “3-equation” model in which the Phillips curve of the type

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- ▶ Nothing new!
- ▶ We find interesting theoretical results when “ γ_y is small as compared to γ_r ” (new)...
- ▶ ... but is that empirically relevant?

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2. Careful limited information estimation of a Phillips curve of the type

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- ▶ α_y can be arbitrarily close to 1.

A Condition on parameters

- ▶ Let's define a condition on parameters that has simple interpretation and that happens to be key (and not fully studied previously)

The Patman condition

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Phillips Curve (PC)

- ▶ $\gamma_r > \alpha_r \gamma_y$
- ▶ Congressman Wright Patman's critique of the Fed in the 70's: high interest rates cause inflation because they put pressure on firms financial costs.
- ▶ He pointed out " *...the senselessness of trying to fight inflation by raising interest rates. Throwing gasoline on fire to put out the flames would be as logical.*" [1970]
- ▶ Tobin [1980] : " *More fundamentally, heretics from the populist Texas Congressman, Wright Patman, to John Kenneth Galbraith have disputed the orthodox view that tight money policies are anti-inflationary, claiming that borrowers mark up interest charges like other cost.*"

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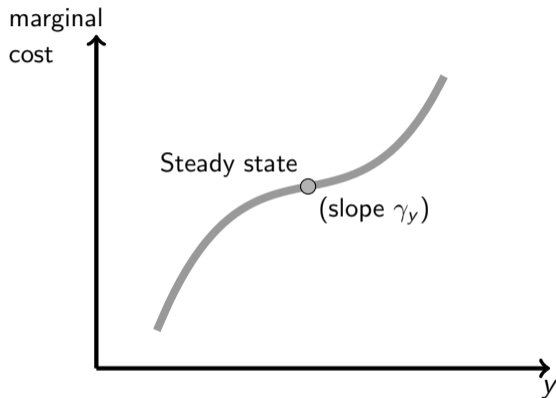
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- ▶ Note: this condition also describes what happens in equilibrium if shocks are iid ...
- ▶ ... because $E_t[\pi_{t+1}] = 0$ and $E_t[y_{t+1}] = 0$.
- ▶ In that case also a *General Equilibrium Patman Condition*

Remark: The Patman condition cannot hold globally

- ▶ Unlikely that the Phillips curve is flat for very positive or negative output gaps.
- ▶ Most likely,
marginal cost = $\Gamma(y) + \gamma_r r$
 - × $\Gamma'(y)$ minimum at zero
 - × $\Gamma'(0) = \gamma_y$
- ▶ The Patman condition is in essence a local condition.
- ▶ How local? Does it hold on average? Empirical work will tell us.
- ▶ We will mostly keep a linear approximation



The Patman condition

- ▶ In analytical models of the cost channel (e.g. Ravenna and Walsh, Surico, etc...), the model specification always implies that the Patman condition cannot hold.

Demand and markup shocks

- ▶ The response of the economy to demand and markup shocks, for standard Taylor rules, is qualitatively similar regardless of the Patman condition holding or not
- ▶ Patman condition matters for monetary policy and monetary shocks

Implication for monetary policy

- ▶ A lot of results that counter the intuition of the NK model, but not the facts
 - × How to stabilize inflation?
 - × ZLB trap and Lowflation
 - × Price puzzle
- ▶ (more in the paper)

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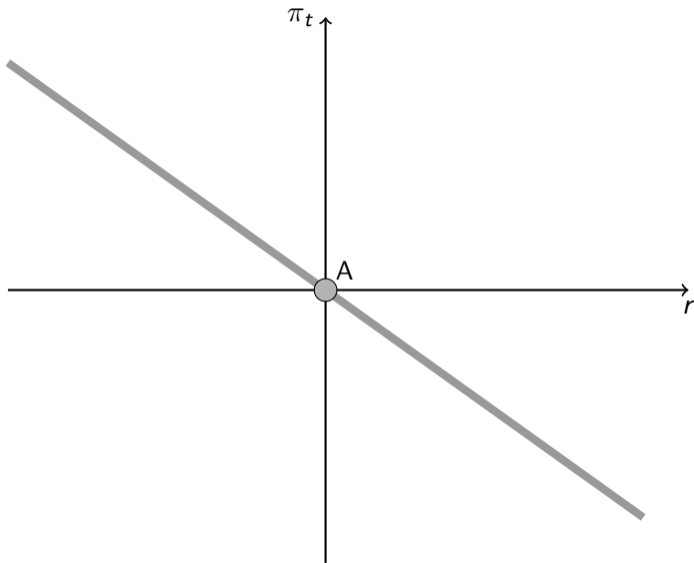
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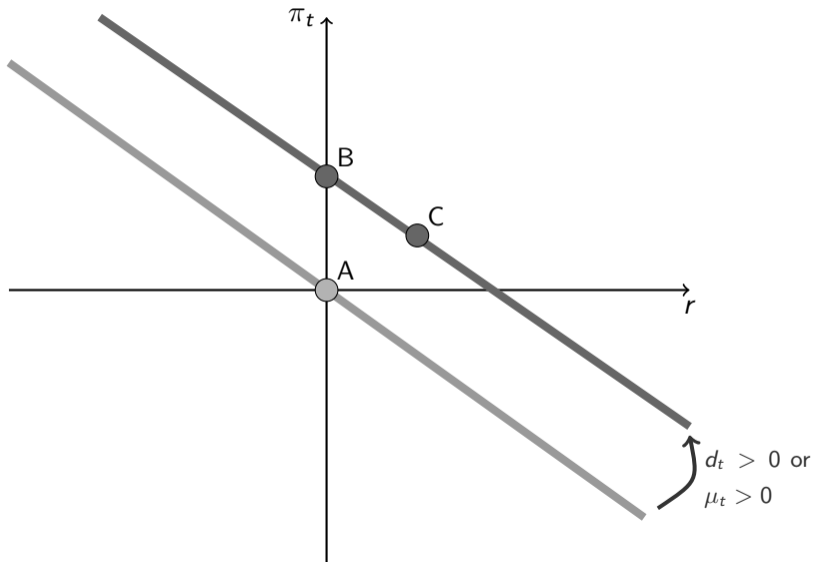
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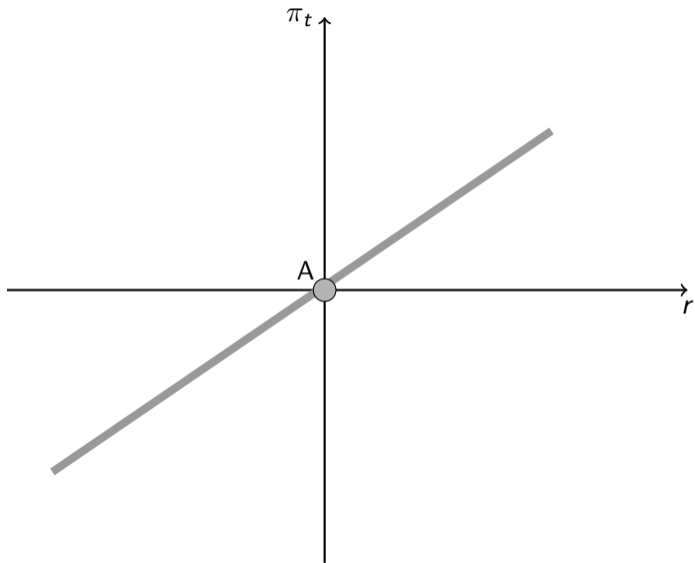
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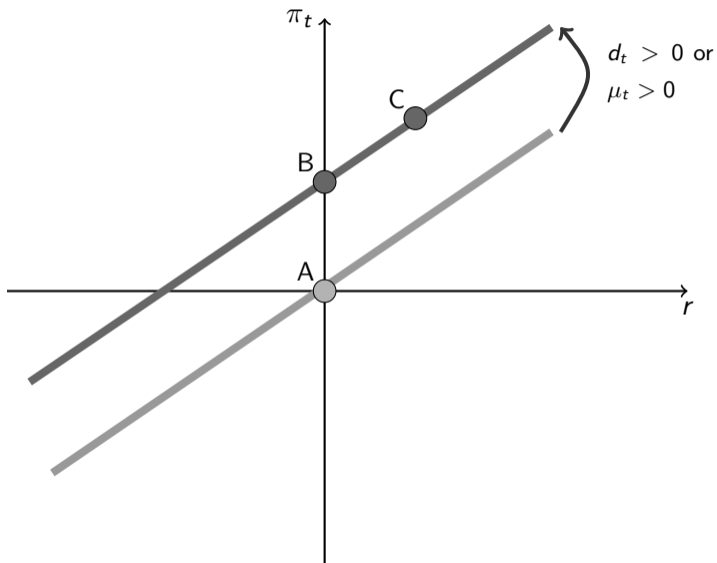
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The ZLB Trap and Lowflation

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- ▶ Under Patman condition, the ZLB is almost inevitable following a persistent fall in demand.
 - × Initial negative demand shock (*say a discount factor shock*) \rightsquigarrow
 - × Low activity and low inflation \rightsquigarrow
 - × Monetary expansion \rightsquigarrow
 - × Lower i and lower inflation \rightsquigarrow
 - × Calls for more monetary expansion \rightsquigarrow
 - × Even lower i \rightsquigarrow
 - × Very likely to hit the zero lower bound.
- ▶ Typically what will happen under price level targeting

The ZLB Trap and Lowflation

BERNANKE

“To be more concrete on how the temporary price-level target would be communicated, suppose that, at some moment when the economy is away from the ZLB, the Fed were to make an announcement something like the following:

- (...)

- The FOMC (...) agrees that, in future situations in which the funds rate is at or near zero, a necessary condition for raising the funds rate will be that average inflation since the date at which the federal funds rate first hit zero be at least 2 percent.”

BERNANKE [2017] (underlined by BERNANKE)

The ZLB Trap and Lowflation

iid + Flat PC

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_t &= \beta E_t \pi_{t+1} + \gamma_y y_t + \gamma_r (i_t - E_t \pi_{t+1}), \\ y_t &= \alpha_y E_t y_{t+1} - \alpha_r (i_t - E_t \pi_{t+1}) + d_t\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Assume iid shocks and flat Phillips Curve ($\gamma_y = 0$).

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_t &= \gamma_r i_t, \\ y_t &= -\alpha_r i_t + d_t\end{aligned}$$

The ZLB Trap and Lowflation Policy

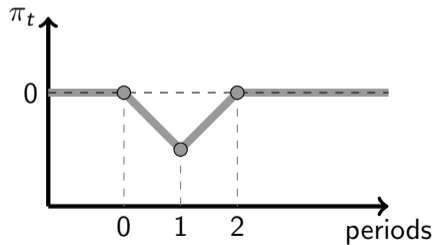
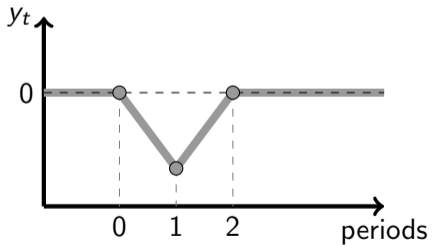
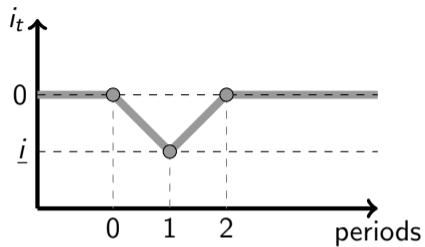
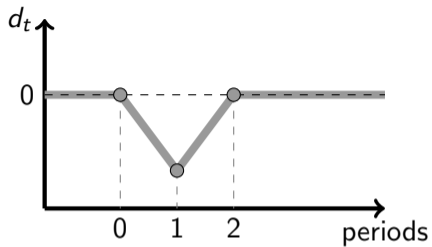
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- ▶ Aggressive Policy (Bernanke)

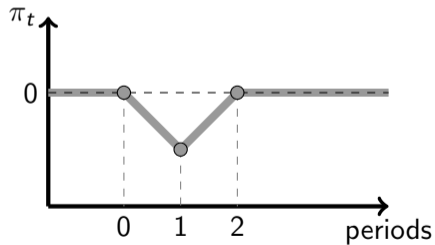
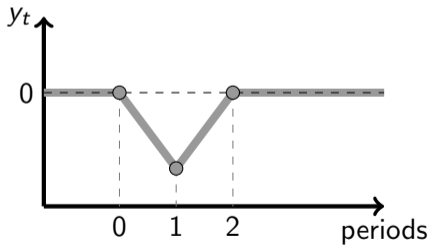
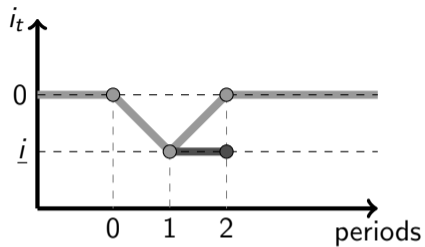
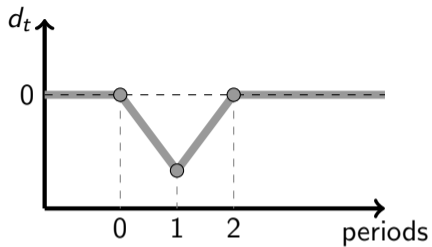
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The ZLB Trap and Lowflation



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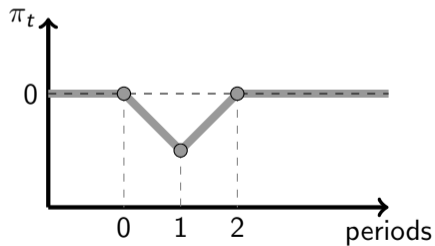
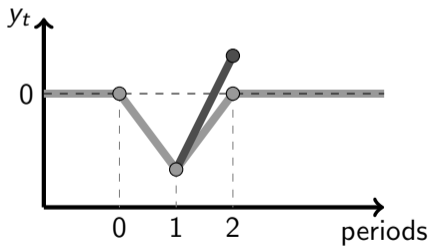
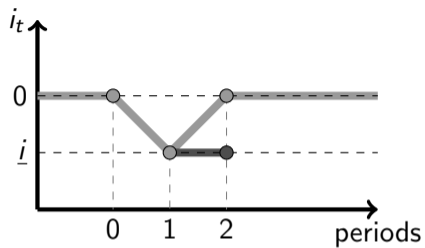
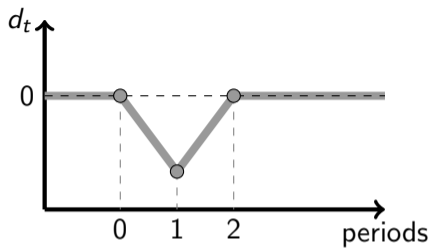
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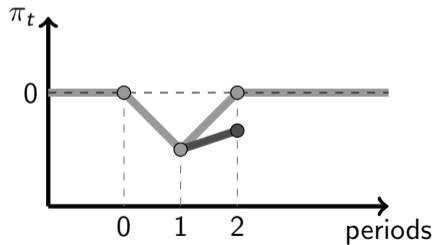
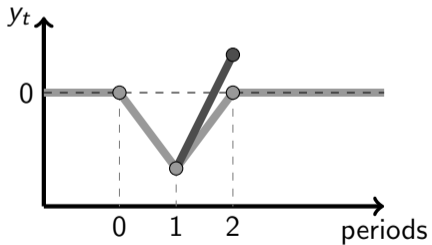
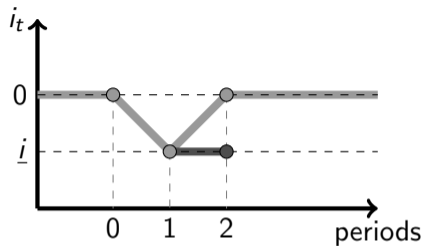
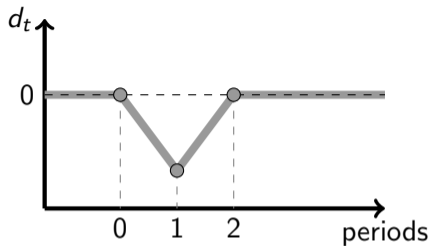
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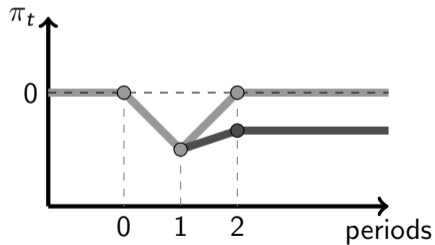
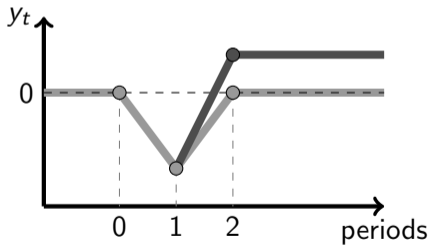
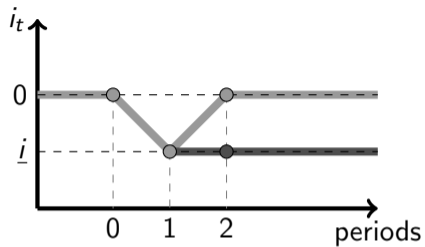
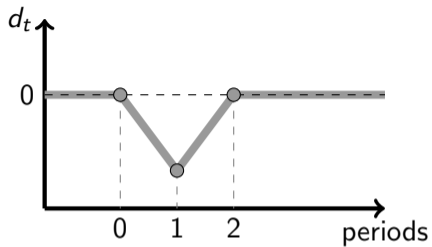
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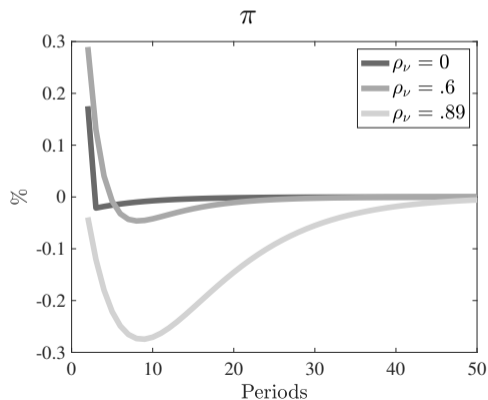
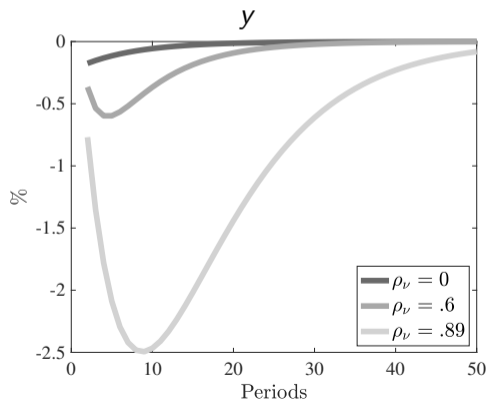
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Price puzzle

- ▶ If the Patman condition holds, we have a price “puzzle” .
- ▶ Only in the short run in a model with some endogenous propagation (habit persistence).

Impulse Responses to a Contractionary Monetary Shock



Roadmap

1. Theory
2. Phillips Curve Estimation
3. Full Information Estimation

- ▶ Here we build on the large literature that estimate single equation Phillips curves.

Phillips Curve Estimation

Measurement

$$\pi_t = \beta E_t \pi_{t+1} + \gamma_y y_t + \gamma_r (i_t - E_t \pi_{t+1}) + \theta z_t + \mu_t$$

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- ▶ First Pass:
- ▶ π_t : Headline CPI
- ▶ π_t^e : University of Michigan Survey of Consumers (MSC)
- ▶ x_t : *minus* Unemployment gap from U.S. Congressional Budget Office
- ▶ z_t : Oil price

Endogeneity

$$\pi_t = \beta\pi_{t+1}^e + \gamma_y x_t + \gamma_r(i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e) + \theta z_t + \mu_t$$

- ▶ Need to deal with endogeneity and measurement error for
 - × x
 - × $i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e$
 - × π_{t+1}^e
- ▶ Instrument: Romer & Romer [2004] monetary shocks (extended by Wieland & Yang [2020]), as suggested by Barnichon & Mesters [2020]

Phillips Curve Estimation: Basic - Headline CPI

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π^e	MSC		FIRE	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
β	1.12 (0.079)	1.18 (0.074)	0.81 (0.098)	0.98 (0.106)
γ_y	0.12 (0.047)	0.06 (0.053)	0.08 (0.071)	-0.07 (0.076)
γ_r		0.14 (0.041)		0.21 (0.062)

- × z: oil price,
- × Sample: 1969Q1-2017Q4,
- × Newey-West HAC standard errors,
- × for the γ s: ■ : significant at 1%

Phillips Curve Estimation: Core CPI

$$\pi_t = \beta\pi_{t+1}^e + \gamma_y x_t + \gamma_r(i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e) + \mu_t$$

π^e	MSC	FIRE
	(1)	(2)
β	0.97	0.74
γ_y	-0.05	0.00
γ_r	0.19	0.47

- × Sample: 1969Q1-2017Q4
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Phillips Curve Estimation: Some subtleties (1)

- ▶ Before 1983, the shelter component of the CPI was computed using an index of house prices, and an index of mortgage rates.
- ▶ Mortgage rates directly co-move with the effective federal funds rate, and indirectly, through discount rates, house prices do too.
- ▶ This would mechanically make CPI inflation reacting to the federal fund rate.
- ▶ Since 1983, the BLS adjusted its methodology, and changed the computation of the shelter component of the CPI in favour of a rental equivalence index.
- ▶ Core R-CPI does this adjustment retroactively back to 1978Q2

Phillips Curve Estimation: Some subtleties (2)

- ▶ The slope of the Phillips curve is notoriously hard to estimate on aggregate data.
- ▶ Using monetary shocks as instruments (Barnichon & Mesters [2020]) is a good solution, but there are other ones.
- ▶ Hazell, Herreño, Nakamura, and Steinsson [2020] exploit US regional variations to estimate γ_y
- ▶ We also repeat our estimations constraining γ_y to take their value.

Phillips Curve Estimation: Core R-CPI

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π^e	MSC		FIRE	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
β	0.91	0.95	0.98	1.01
γ_y	-0.08	0.0138 [†]	-0.03	0.0138 [†]
γ_r	0.12	0.20	0.06	0.10

- × Sample: 1978Q2-2017Q4,
- × Newey-West HAC standard errors,
- × for the γ s: ■ : significant at 1%

Phillips Curve Estimation: Iterating Forward the Phillips Curve

- ▶ In the spirit of Hazell, Herreño, Nakamura, and Steinsson [2020].
- ▶ Identification does not rely on the timing of inflation variations.
- ▶ Same results

Phillips Curve Estimation: Hybrid

$$\pi_t = \beta_{+1}\pi_{t+1}^e + \beta_{-1}\pi_{t-1} + \gamma_y x_t + \gamma_r(i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e) + \theta z_t + \mu_t$$

- ▶ We obtain similar results.

Some Further International Evidence

- ▶ Coibion, Gorodnichenko, and Ulate [2019] assemble time series of inflation expectations for 18 countries/regions.

$$\pi_{i,t} - \pi_{i,t+1}^e = \gamma_y y_{i,t} + c_i + \varepsilon_{i,t},$$

- ▶ Results “a robust and negative” γ_y
- ▶ We repeat their exercise with a cost channel.

$$\pi_{i,t} - \pi_{i,t+1}^e = \gamma_y y_{i,t} + \gamma_r (i_{i,t} - \pi_{i,t+1}^e) + c_i + \varepsilon_{i,t}.$$

γ_y	0.32	.019
	(0.10)	(0.17)
γ_r	–	0.20
	(–)	(0.07)
Adj. R ²	0.63	0.66
Observations	1062	1062

■ : significant at 1%, ■ : significant at 5%

Phillips Curve Estimation: Nonlinear estimation

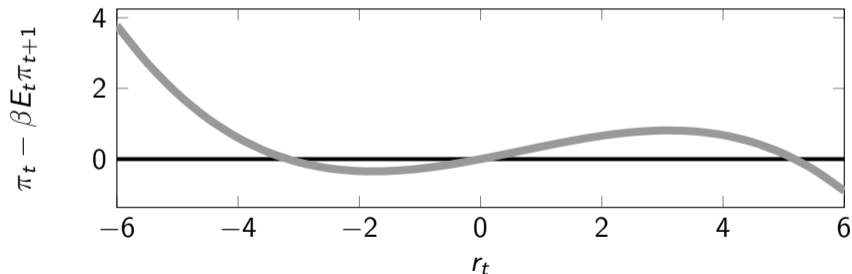
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- ▶ $\pi_t - \beta\pi_{t+1}^e$ as a function of r_t implied by the estimation:



- ▶ Patman zone for $r \in [-2\%, +3\%]$ around historical average value

Nominal versus Real Interest Rates in the Marginal Cost

- ▶ Both ways are theoretically possible
- ▶ It does not change the estimation, just the parameters interpretation

$$\pi_t = \beta \pi_{t+1}^e + \gamma_y y_t + \gamma_r (i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e)$$
$$\pi_t = \underbrace{(\beta - \gamma_r)}_{\hat{\beta}} \pi_{t+1}^e + \gamma_y y_t + \gamma_r i_t$$

- ▶ We estimate $\beta = .91$ and $\gamma_r = .12$ with the real interest rate model interpretation.
- ▶ $\beta = .99$ in calibrated models
- ▶ With the nominal interest rate model, one would estimate a smaller (too small) discount factor $\hat{\beta} = \beta - \gamma_r = .79$

Nominal versus Real Interest Rates in the Marginal Cost

- We can also directly compare the real and nominal rate specification if we set $\beta = .99$ and $\gamma_y = 0.0138$ and estimate the two following equations:

$$\pi_t = .99\pi_{t+1}^e + 0.0138x_t + \gamma_r(i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e) + \mu_t,$$

$$\pi_t = .99\pi_{t+1}^e + 0.0138x_t + \gamma_r i_t + \mu_t.$$

	With real interest rate	With nominal interest rate
β	.99 [†]	.99 [†]
γ_y	0.0138 [†]	0.0138 [†]
γ_r	0.20	0.09
R^2	0.250	0.022

Roadmap

1. Theory
2. Phillips Curve Estimation
3. Full Information Estimation

Simple Model

- ▶ To compare to existing literature, we estimate a local approximation of the model.

$$y_t = \alpha_y E_t[y_{t+1}] - \alpha_r (i_t - E_t[\pi_{t+1}]) + d_t, \quad (\text{EE})$$

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- ▶ We prove in the paper that such a real interest rate rule encompasses the traditional Taylor rule.

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Quasi-No Euler Discounting

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Estimated Parameters, Simple Model, ML

γ_y	0.013	γ_r	0.034
	(0.03)		(0.016)

Temp. Eq. Patman condition	0.034	(0.016)
Gen. Eq. Patman condition	0.089	(0.030)

Figure 1: Impulse Responses to Shocks, Simple Model, Baseline

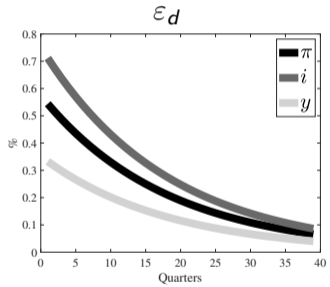


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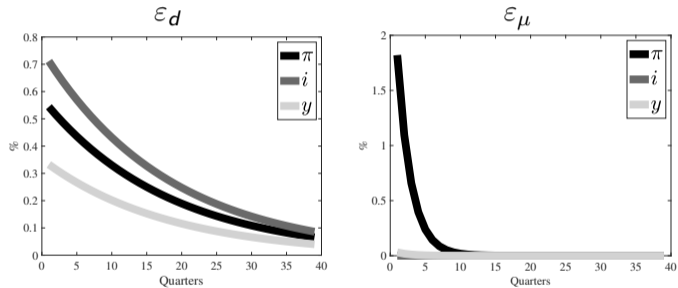
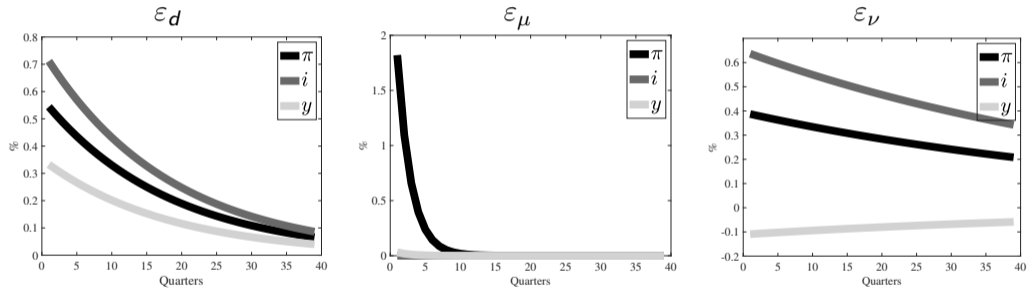


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Extended Model

- ▶ We add habit persistence, hybrid Phillips curve and persistence in policy rule.
- ▶ Estimation using Bayesian technique.

$$y_t = \alpha_y (\alpha_{y,+1} E_t[y_{t+1}] + (1 - \alpha_{y,+1}) y_{t-1}) - \alpha_r (i_t - E_t[\pi_{t+1}]) + \alpha_\mu \mu_t + d_t, \quad (\text{EE}')$$

$$\pi_t = \beta ((1 - \beta_{-1}) E_t[\pi_{t+1}] + \beta_{-1} \pi_{t-1}) + (\gamma_y y_t + \gamma_r (i_t - E_t[\pi_{t+1}])) + \mu_t, \quad (\text{PC}')$$

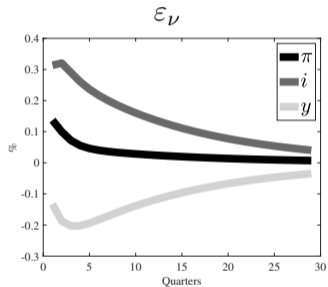
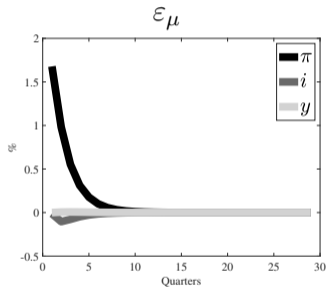
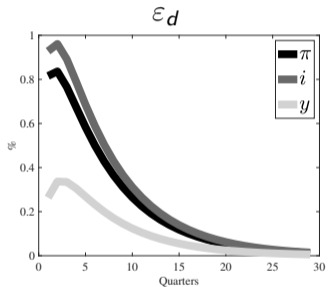
$$i_t = E_t[\pi_{t+1}] + \phi_{r,-1} (i_{t-1} - E_{t-1}[\pi_t]) + \phi_{\pi,-1} \pi_{t-1} + \phi_{y,-1} y_{t-1} + \phi_d d_t + \phi_\mu \mu_t + \nu_t. \quad (\text{Policy}')$$

Estimated Parameters, Extended Model

γ_y	-0.03	γ_r	0.07
	[-0.11, 0.04]		[0.03, 0.11]

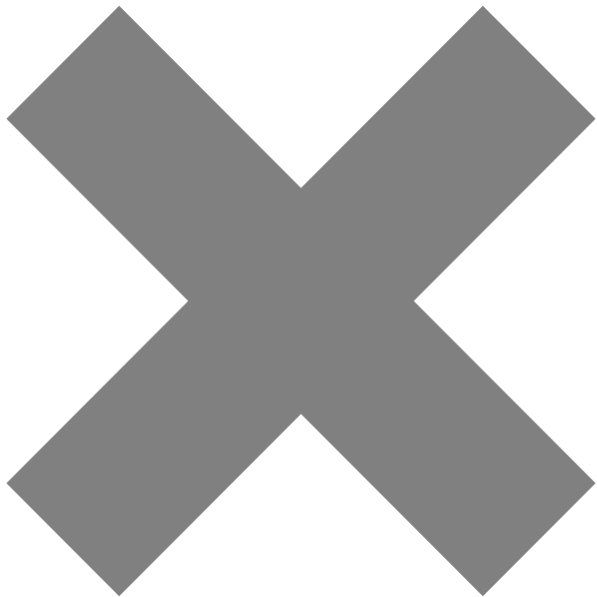
Temp. Eq. Patman condition	0.07	[0.03, 0.11]
Gen. Eq. Patman condition	0.10	[0.07, 0.13]

Figure 2: Impulse Responses to Shocks, Extended Model, Baseline



To conclude

- ▶ The cost channel is strong as compared to the slope of the Phillips curve (Patman condition holds)
- ▶ This is shown estimating simple DSGE-like models or Phillips curve alone.
- ▶ This has implications for the effect of monetary policy aiming at stabilizing inflation.



Coibion, Gorodnichenko, and Ulate [2019]

- ▶ Australia, Canada, Chile, Czechia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States, as well as the entire eurozone

Iterating forward the Phillips Curve

- ▶ Hazell, Herreño, Nakamura, and Steinsson [2020]
- ▶ Take the Phillips curve

$$\pi_t = \beta \pi_{t+1}^e + \gamma_y x_t + \gamma_r (i_t - \pi_{t+1}^e) + \mu_t$$

- ▶ and solve forward

$$\pi_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j (\gamma_y E_t x_{t+j} + \gamma_r E_t r_{t+j} + E_t \mu_{t+j}) + \underbrace{\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \beta^j E_t \pi_{t+j}}_{=0}$$

- ▶ Assume that x_t and r_t have a long-run and a transitory component so that $x_t = \tilde{x}_t + x_\infty$ and $r_t = \tilde{r}_t + r_\infty$.
- ▶ When $t \rightarrow \infty$ we have $E_t \pi_\infty = \frac{1}{1-\beta} (\gamma_y E_t x_\infty + \gamma_r E_t r_\infty)$.

Iterating forward the Phillips Curve

- ▶ Then the Phillips curve rewrites

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_t &= \gamma_y \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{x}_{t+j} + \gamma_r \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{r}_{t+j} + \frac{1}{1-\beta} (\gamma_y E_t x_{\infty} + \gamma_r E_t r_{\infty}) + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \mu_{t+j} \\ &= \gamma_y \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{x}_{t+j} + \gamma_r \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{r}_{t+j} + E_t \pi_{\infty} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \mu_{t+j}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Truncate the infinite time horizon at $T = 40$, and use the ten-year ahead CPI forecast from Cleveland Fed as a measure of $E_t \pi_{\infty}$.
- ▶ Replace $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{x}_{t+j}$ and $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j E_t \tilde{r}_{t+j}$ with $\sum_{j=0}^T \beta^j \tilde{x}_{t+j}$ and $\sum_{j=0}^T \beta^j \tilde{r}_{t+j}$
- ▶ Instrument with monetary shocks prior to time t .

Iterating forward the Phillips Curve

γ_y	0.0138 [†]
	(-)
γ_r	0.11
	(0.020)

- × Sample: 1982Q1–2017Q4,
- × Newey-West HAC standard errors,
- × ■ : significant at 1%