

A DSGE Model of the Czech Inflation Targeting and Monetary Policy: Solving and Estimating

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The Linearized System

Transformation of the variables:

$$y_t = Y_t/Z_t, c_t = C_t/Z_t, \lambda_t = Z_t/\Lambda_t, z_t = Z_t/Z_{t-1} \text{ (with a reference to } Z_t) \\ \text{and } \pi_t = \Pi_t/\Pi_t^*, r_t = R_t/\Pi_t^* \text{ and } \pi_t^* = \Pi_t^*/\Pi_{t-1}^* \text{ (with a reference to } \Pi_t^*).$$

Conditions that hold in steady state:

$$a = 1, \pi^* = 1, v = 1, \pi = 1, g^\pi = 1, g^r = 1, a_t = \theta, z_t = z \text{ and after next cal-} \\ \text{culations we get: } g^y = z, \lambda = \theta/(\theta-1), y = \{(\theta-1)/\theta\} \{(z-\beta\gamma)/(z-\gamma)\}, \\ r = z/\beta \text{ and } r^{r\pi} = z/\beta \text{ for } t = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Percentage deviation of the variable from steady state value:

$$\hat{y}_t = \ln(y_t/y), \hat{c}_t = \ln(c_t/c), \hat{\pi}_t = \ln(\pi_t), \hat{r}_t = \ln(r_t/r), \hat{g}_t^y = \ln(g_t^y/g^y), \hat{g}_t^\pi = \\ \ln(g_t^\pi), \hat{y}_t = \ln(y_t/y), \hat{g}_t^r = \ln(g_t^r), \hat{r}_t^{r\pi} = \ln(r_t^{r\pi}/r^{r\pi}), \hat{\lambda}_t = \ln(\lambda_t/\lambda), \hat{a}_t = \\ \ln(a_t), \hat{\theta}_t = \ln(\theta_t/\theta), \hat{z}_t = \ln(z_t/z), \hat{v}_t = \ln(v_t), \text{ and } \hat{\pi}_t^* = \ln(\pi_t^*).$$

The system of the stationary equations log-linearized around the steady state. A first-order approximation of equations imply (for all $t = 1, 2, \dots$)

$$(z-\gamma)(z-\beta\gamma) = \gamma z \hat{y}_{t-1} + \beta \gamma z E_t \hat{y}_{t+1} - (z^2 + \beta \gamma^2) \hat{y}_t + (z-\gamma)(z-\beta\gamma\rho_a) \hat{a}_t - \gamma z \hat{z}_t \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_t = E_t \hat{\lambda}_{t+1} + \hat{r}_t - E_t \hat{\pi}_{t+1} \quad (2)$$

$$(1 + \beta\alpha) \hat{\pi}_t = \alpha \hat{\pi}_{t+1} + \beta E_t \hat{\pi}_{t+1} + \psi(\hat{a}_t - \hat{\lambda}_t) - \hat{e}_t - \alpha \hat{\pi}_t^* \quad (3)$$

$$\hat{r}_t - \hat{r}_{t-1} = \rho_\pi \hat{\pi}_t + \rho_{gy} \hat{g}_t^y - \pi_t^* + \hat{v}_t \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{\pi}_t^* = \sigma_\pi \epsilon_{\pi t} - \delta_e \epsilon_{et} - \delta_z \epsilon_{zt} \quad (5)$$

$$\hat{g}_t^y = \hat{y}_t - \hat{y}_{t-1} + \hat{z}_t \quad (6)$$

$$\hat{g}_t^\pi = \hat{\pi}_t - \hat{\pi}_{t-1} + \hat{\pi}_t^* \quad (7)$$

$$\hat{r}_t^{r\pi} = \hat{r}_t - \hat{\pi}_t \quad (8)$$

$$\hat{a}_t = \rho_a \hat{a}_{t-1} + \sigma_a \epsilon_{at} \quad (9)$$

$$\hat{e}_t = \rho_e \hat{e}_{t-1} + \sigma_e \epsilon_{et} \quad (10)$$

$$\hat{z}_t = \sigma_z \epsilon_{zt} \quad (11)$$

$$\hat{v}_t = \rho_v \hat{v}_{t-1} + \sigma_v \epsilon_{vt} \quad (12)$$

The new variables are:

$$\hat{e}_t = (1/\phi)\hat{\theta}_t, \psi = (\theta - 1)/\phi, \delta_e = \delta_\theta \text{ and } \sigma_e = \sigma_\theta/\phi.$$

The first five equations are the ground of the model:

- Marginal utility of households' consumption (1)
- New Keynesian IS curve (2)
- New Keynesian Phillips curve (3)
- Monetary policy (4) – (5)

The subsequent three equations (6) – (8) state the definitions of the growth rate for the output, the inflation rate and the nominal interest rate to the inflation.

The rest equation describes

- shock to the households' preference (9)
- cost-push shock (10)
- technology shock (11)
- monetary shock (12).

There are 17 parameters:

$$z, \beta, \psi, \gamma, \alpha, \rho_\pi, \rho_{gy}, \rho_a, \rho_e, \rho_v, \sigma_a, \sigma_e, \sigma_z, \sigma_v, \sigma_\pi, \delta_e \text{ and } \delta_z$$

and 3 observable variables

- the growth rate of the output ($g_t^y = y_t/y_{t-1}$),
 - the growth rate of the inflation ($g_t^\pi = \pi_t/\pi_{t-1}$) and
 - the growth rate of the nominal interest rate to the inflation ($r_t^{\pi} = r_t/\pi_t$).
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Solving the Model

Let

$$s_t^0 = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1} & \hat{\pi}_{t-1} & \hat{r}_{t-1} & \hat{q}_{t-1} & \hat{\lambda}_t & \hat{y}_t & \hat{\pi}_t & \hat{q}_t \end{bmatrix}^T$$

and

$$\xi_t = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{a}_t & \hat{e}_t & \hat{z}_t & \hat{v}_t & \hat{\pi}_t^* \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Then (1) , (2), (3) and (4)

$$AE_t s_{t+1}^0 = Bs_t^0 + C\xi_t \quad (13)$$

Meanwhile (5), (9), (10), (11) and (12)

$$\xi_t = P\xi_{t-1} + X\varepsilon_t \quad (14)$$

where

$$\varepsilon_t = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{at} & \varepsilon_{et} & \varepsilon_{zt} & \varepsilon_{vt} & \varepsilon_{\pi t} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Equation (13) takes the form of *linear expectational difference equations*, driven by the *exogenous shocks* in (14).

The system can be solved by uncoupling *the unstable* and *stable components* and than solving unstable component forward.

The approach taken here uses the methods outlined by Klein.

Klein`s method relies on *the complex generalized Schur decomposition*, which identifies unitary matrices Q and Z such than

$$QAZ = S$$

and

$$QBZ = T$$

are both upper triangular, where the generalized eigenvalues of B and A can be recovered as the ratios the diagonal elements of T and S

$$\lambda(B, A) = \{t_{ii} / s_{ii} \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, 8\}$$

There are four predetermined variables in the vector s_t^0 . Thus, if *four* generalized eigenvalues in $\lambda(B, A)$ lie *inside* the unit circle and *four* of the generalized eigenvalues lie outside the unit circle, then the system has *a unique solution*.

If *more than four* generalized eigenvalues in $\lambda(B, A)$ lie *outside* the unit circle, then the system has *no solution*.

If *less than four* generalized eigenvalues in $\lambda(B, A)$ lie outside the unit circle, then solution has *multiple solutions*.

See Blanchard and Kahn (1980) and Klein (2000).

Assumed from now on that there exactly four generalized eigenvalues that lie outside the unit circle, and partition the matrices Q , Z , S , and T

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where Q_1 and Q_2 are both 4 x 8, and

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ 0_{(4 \times 4)} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad T = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ 0_{(4 \times 4)} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution to be written more conveniently as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\lambda}_t \\ \hat{y}_t \\ \hat{\pi}_t \\ \hat{q}_t \end{bmatrix} = M_1 \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1} \\ \hat{\pi}_{t-1} \\ \hat{r}_{t-1} \\ \hat{q}_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + M_2 \xi_t \quad (15)$$

$$M_1 = Z_{21} Z_{11}^{-1}$$

$$M_2 = - [Z_{22} - Z_{21} Z_{11}^{-1} Z_{12}] T_{22}^{-1} R$$

Substitute results to obtain the solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\lambda}_t \\ \hat{y}_t \\ \hat{\pi}_t \\ \hat{q}_t \end{bmatrix} = M_3 \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_{t-1} \\ \hat{\pi}_{t-1} \\ \hat{r}_{t-1} \\ \hat{q}_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + M_4 \xi_t \quad (16)$$

$$M_3 = Z_{11} S_{11}^{-1} T_{11} Z_{11}^{-1}$$

$$M_4 = Z_{11} S_{11}^{-1} (T_{11} Z_{11}^{-1} Z_{12} T_{22}^{-1} R + Q_1 C + S_{12} T_{22}^{-1} R P - T_{12} T_{22}^{-1} R) - Z_{12} T_{22}^{-1} R P$$

To complete the construction of the solution, let

$$s_t = [\hat{y}_{t-1} \quad \hat{\pi}_{t-1} \quad \hat{r}_{t-1} \quad \hat{q}_{t-1} \quad \hat{a}_t \quad \hat{e}_t \quad \hat{z}_t \quad \hat{v}_t \quad \hat{\pi}_t^*]^T$$

$$\Pi = \begin{bmatrix} M_3 & M_4 \\ 0_{(5 \times 4)} & P \end{bmatrix} \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(5 \times 4)} \\ X \end{bmatrix}$$

The compactly solution

$$s_{t+1} = \Pi s_t + W \varepsilon_{t+1} \quad (17)$$

Estimation of the Model

The empirical model has 19 parameters

$z, \beta, \gamma, \alpha, \psi, \varsigma_\pi, \varsigma_x, \varsigma_{gy}, \varsigma_a, \varsigma_e, \varsigma_v, \sigma_a, \sigma_e, \sigma_z, \sigma_v, \sigma_\pi, \delta_a, \delta_e$ and δ_z

Data:

$$d_t = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{g}_t^y \\ \hat{g}_t^\pi \\ \hat{g}_t^{r\pi} \end{bmatrix}$$

The empirical model for estimating

$$s_{t+1} = A s_t + B \varepsilon_{t+1} \quad (18)$$

$$d_t = C s_t \quad (19)$$

where

$$A = \Pi, \quad B = W$$

Note (19) that

$$\hat{d}_{t|t-1} = C\hat{s}_{t|t-1}$$

Hence

$$u_t = d_t - \hat{d}_{t|t-1} = C(s_t - s_{t|t-1})$$

in such that

$$Eu_t u_t^T = C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T$$

Hamilton`s formula for updating a linear projection

$$\hat{s}_{t|t} = \hat{s}_{t|t-1} + \Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \left(C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \right)^{-1} u_t$$

Hence from (18)

$$\hat{s}_{t+1|t} = A\hat{s}_{t|t-1} + A\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \left(C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \right)^{-1} u_t .$$

Using this last result, along with (18)

$$s_{t+1} - \hat{s}_{t+1|t} = A\hat{s}_{t|t-1} + A(s_t - s_{t|t-1}) + B\varepsilon_t - A\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \left(C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \right)^{-1} u_t$$

Hence

$$\Sigma_{t+1|t} = BVB^T + A\Sigma_{t|t-1}A^T - A\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \left(C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T \right)^{-1} C\Sigma_{t|t-1}A^T$$

The results can be summarized as follows.

$$s_t = \hat{s}_{t|t-1} = E(s_t | d_{t-1}, d_{t-2}, \dots, d_1)$$

and

$$\Sigma_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1} = E(s_t | d_{t-1}, d_{t-2}, \dots, d_1)_{t|t-1} = E(s_t - \hat{s}_{t|t-1})(s_t - \hat{s}_{t|t-1})^T$$

Then

$$\hat{s}_{t+1} = A\hat{s}_t + K_t u_t$$

$$d_t = C\hat{s}_t + u_t \quad \text{and}$$

where

$$u_t = d_t - E(d_t | d_{t-1}, d_{t-2}, \dots, d_1)$$

$$Eu_t u_t^T = C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T = \Omega_t$$

the sequences for K_t and Σ_t can be generated recursively

$$K_t = A\Sigma_t C^T (C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T)^{-1}$$

and

$$\Sigma_t = BVB^T + A\Sigma_{t|t-1}A^T - A\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T (C\Sigma_{t|t-1}C^T)^{-1}C\Sigma_{t|t-1}A^T,$$

and initial conditions

$$\hat{s}_{1|0} = Es_1 = 0_{(9 \times 1)},$$

$$\text{vec}(\Sigma_{1|0}) = \text{vec}(Es_1 s_{1|0}^T).$$

The innovations $\{u_t, t = 1, 2, \dots, T\}$ can then be used to form the log likelihood function for $\{d_t, t = 1, 2, \dots, T\}$ as

$$\ln L = -(3T/2\pi)\ln(2\pi) - 1/2 \sum \ln |\Omega_t| - 1/2 \sum u_t \Omega_t^{-1} u_t^T$$

Results of Estimation

Estimates of the Model with Endogenous Target

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Deviations Target
z	1.0057	0
β	0.99778	0
γ	0.91272	0.025536
α	0	*
ψ	0.1	0
ς_{π}	0.30946	0.080288
ς_{gy}	0.023574	0.069327
ς_a	0	*
ς_e	0	*
ς_v	0	*
σ_a	0.0240390	0.0062766
σ_e	0.0041403	0.0018223
σ_z	0.0311820	0.0052965
σ_v	0.0049429	0.0006269
σ_{π}	0.0024665	**
δ_e	0.0023736	0.0006249
δ_z	0.0020351	0.0009140

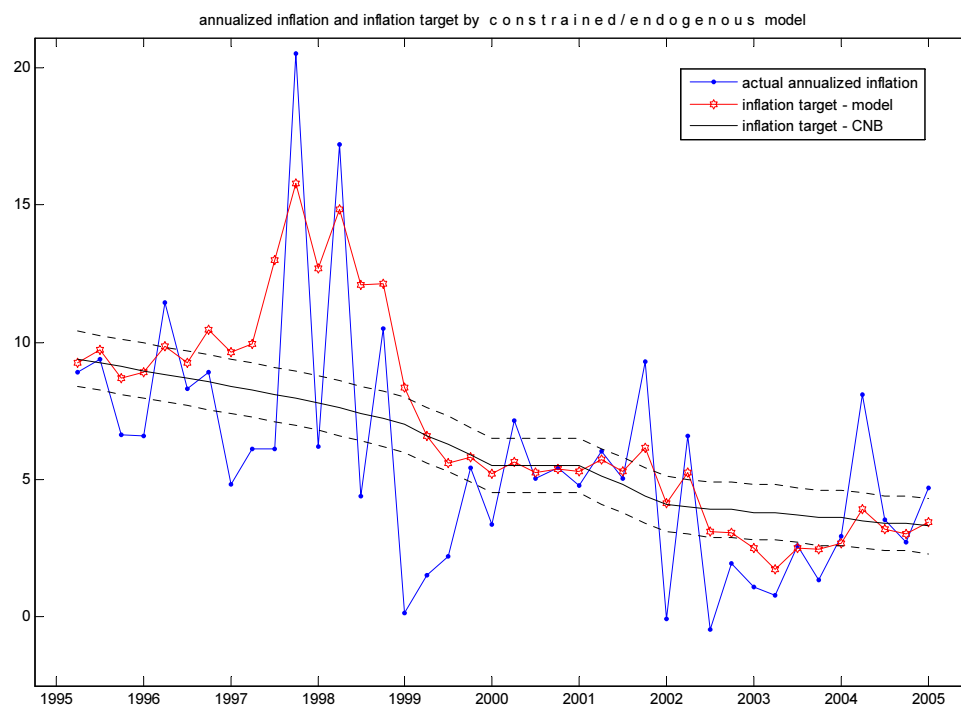
$$J = 456.871$$

* the estimate lies up against the boundary of the parameter space,

** the calibrated value

J the maximum value of log likelihood function

Consumer price inflation and inflation target (annualized)



Impulse responses (percentage-point) to a one standart deviation shocks

