

# Uncertainty and the Inequality of Climate Change

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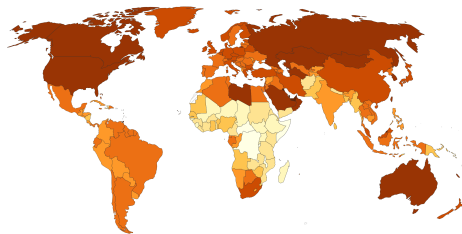
## Introduction – Motivation

Global warming is caused by greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) generated by human economic activity :

- ***Unequal causes*** : Developed economies account for over 65% of cumulative GHG emissions ( $\sim 25\%$  each for the EU and the US)
- ***Unequal consequences*** : Increase in temperatures disproportionately affects developing countries where the climate is already warm

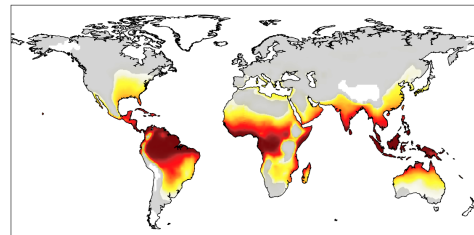
Per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, 2021

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions from fossil fuels and industry<sup>1</sup>. Land use change is not included.



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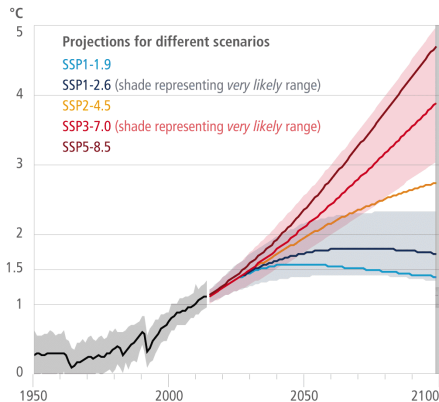
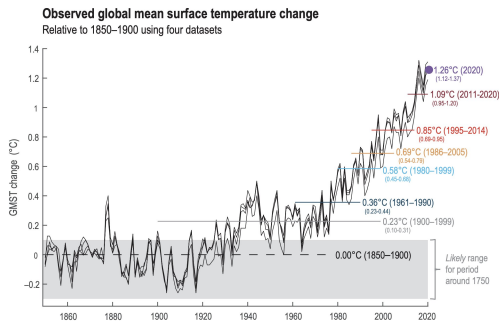


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Number of days per year above deadly threshold

## Introduction – Uncertainty

- ▶ However, the impact of climate change is uncertain for several reasons :
  - (i) Climate forecasts : temperature trajectories for a given path of emissions
  - (ii) Future growth : levels of future output for given damages
  - (iii) Path of emissions : Likelihood that pledges/mitigation policies will be implemented.



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- Evaluate the heterogeneous welfare costs of global warming
  - Local Social Cost of Carbon can vary tenfold across countries
  - ... and  $> 50\%$  across states of the world (within countries).

## Introduction – related literature

- ▶ Classic Integrated Assessment models (IAM), without or with country heterogeneity :
  - Nordhaus' Multi-regions DICE (2016), Golosov Hassler Krusell Tsyvinski (2014), Dietz van der Ploeg, Rezai, Venmans (2021), among others
  - Kotlikoff, Kubler, Polbin, Scheidegger (2021), Hassler, Krusell, Olovsson, Smith (2019-2021), Cruz, Rossi-Hansberg (2022), Rudik et al (2022)
    - *This project : Studies uncertainty with heterogeneity*
- ▶ Climate models with risk & uncertainty :
  - Cai, Lontzek, Judd (2019), Barnett, Brock, Hansen (2022), Bilal, Rossi-Hansberg (2023)
    - *This project : Includes heterogeneity and redistribution effects of climate & carbon taxation*
- ▶ Heterogeneous Agents models with Aggregate Risk
  - Krusell-Smith (1998), Bhandari, Evans, Golosov, Evans (2018-), Proehl (2020), Schaab (2020), Fernandez-Villaverde et al (2022), Bilal (2022)  
***Proba. approach to MFG*** : Carmona, Delarue (2018) and many more
    - *This project : Studies climate externalities and Pigouvian taxation*



## Model

- ▶ Neoclassical economy, in continuous time
  - countries/regions  $i \in \mathbb{I}$  : ex-ante heterogeneous : productivity  $z_i$
  - ex-post heterogeneity in capital and temperature  $x_i = \{k_i, \tau_i\}$
  - Aggregate variable : carbon Stock in atmosphere :  $\mathcal{X} = \{S\}$
- ▶ Household problem in country  $i$  :

$$\max_{\{c_{i,t}, e_{i,t}^f, e_{i,t}^r\}} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} e^{-\rho t} u(c_{i,t}) dt$$

- ▶ Dynamics of capital in every country  $i$  :

$$dk_{i,t} = (\mathcal{D}^y(\tau_{i,t}) z_{i,t} f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}^f, e_{i,t}^r) - \bar{\delta} k_{i,t} - q_t^f e_{i,t}^f - q_t^r e_{i,t}^r - c_{i,t}) dt$$

- Damage function  $\mathcal{D}^y(\tau_t)$  affect country's production
- Energy mix : fossil  $e_t^f$  – emitting carbon – vs. renewable  $e_t^r$
- Prices, fossil  $q_t^f$  and non-carbon  $q_t^r$ , exogenous (energy firms with linear production fct)

## Climate model :

- ▶ Fossil energy input  $e_t^f$  causes climate externality

$$\mathcal{E}_t = \int_{\mathbb{I}} \xi e_{i,t}^f di$$

- ▶ World climate – cumulative GHG in atmosphere  $\mathcal{S}_t$  leads to increase in temperature

$$d\mathcal{S}_t = (\mathcal{E}_t - \delta_s \mathcal{S}_t) dt$$

- ▶ Impact of climate on country's local temperature :

$$d\tau_{i,t} = \zeta(\Delta_i \chi \mathcal{S}_t - \tau_{i,t}) dt + \Delta_i \sigma dB_t^0$$

- ▶ Aggregate risk  $\sigma dB_t^0$

- ▶ Simple model :

- Climate sensitivity to carbon  $\chi$ , Climate reaction/inertia  $\zeta$ , Carbon content of fossils  $\xi$ , Country scaling factor  $\Delta_i$ , Carbon exit for atmosphere  $\delta_s$
- Possibility of a more detailed Climate model : Detailed climate model

## Model Solution :

- ▶ Global method :
  - Aggregate risk pushes the equilibrium far away from steady state
  - Impossibility to use first/second order Taylor (local) approximations
- ▶ Sequential approach
  - Relying on Pontryagin Maximum Principle (PMP)
  - Extension to the stochastic case and mean-field / heterogeneous agents
- ▶ Numerical method :
  - Shooting algorithm
- ▶ Possibility to handle Optimal Policy and Ramsey Problem Social Planner

## Model solution – general formulation

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## Application to climate models

- ▶ States  $x_{i,t} = (k_{i,t}, \tau_{i,t})$  and  $\mathcal{X}_t = \mathcal{S}_t$
- ▶ Costates  $(y_{i,t}, \mathcal{Y}_{i,t}) = (\lambda_{i,t}^k, \lambda_{i,t}^\tau, \lambda_{i,t}^S)$
- ▶ Controls  $c_{i,t} = (c_{i,t}, e_{i,t}^f, e_{i,t}^r)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_i(x, \mathcal{X}, \{c, e^f, e^r\}, \{\lambda^k, \lambda^\tau, \lambda^S\}) &= u(c_i) + \lambda_{i,t}^k \left( \overbrace{\mathcal{D}(\tau_{it})f(k_t, e_{it}^f, e_{it}^r) - \bar{\delta}k_t - q_t^f e_{it}^f - q_{it}^r e_{it}^r - c_t}^{=b_1(x_{i,t}, \mathcal{X}_i, c_{i,t}^*)} \right) \\ &\quad + \lambda_{i,t}^\tau \zeta \left( \overbrace{\Delta_i \chi \mathcal{S}_t - (\tau_{it} - \tau_{i0})}^{b_2(x_{i,t}, \mathcal{X}_i, c_{i,t}^*)} \right) + \lambda_{i,t}^S \left( \overbrace{\mathcal{E}_t - \delta^S \mathcal{S}_t}^{=\bar{b}(P_x, \mathcal{X}_{i,t})} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Optimal controls :

$$\lambda_{i,t}^k = u'(c_{i,t})$$

$$q_t^f = MPe_{it}^f$$

$$q_{it}^r = MPe_{it}^r$$

- ▶ Dynamics of costates

- More details : [More details PMP](#)

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- BSDE theory : keep the co-state measurable w.r.t.  $dB_t^0$ , despite running backward.  
 $\Rightarrow$  **Intuition** : even if agents are forward-looking, they can't know the future.
- Advantage : Numerically Feasible via Monte Carlo or Tree Methods

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► Aggregate shocks : Complexity and Infinite dimensionality

- The number of sequences of states/costates  $(\{x_{i,t}, y_{i,t}, \mathcal{Y}_{i,t}\}, \mathcal{X}_t)$  grows with the number of trajectories, i.e. states of the world  $t \rightarrow dB_t^0$

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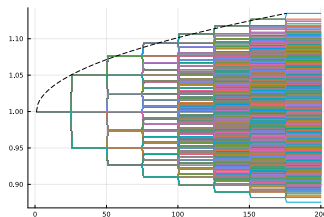
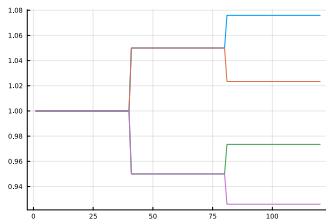


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- Each wave consist of  $K$  “states of the world”  $\epsilon$  for  $dB_t^0$
- Complexity  $(B_t^0)_t$  is approximated with sequences of  $K^M$  values



Brownian motion approximated with a tree

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4. Redo the Forward-Backward steps 1-3 for all the waves until convergence.

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- What is the impact of aggregate risk ?
1. Direct effect : Saving/consumption on impact  $\mathbf{z}_{i,t}$
  2. Indirect effect : Precautionary saving motive :  $\mathbf{z}_{i,t}^2$  and prudence  $1 + \eta$



## Impact of increase in temperature

- ▶ Using Nordhaus' Damage function  $\mathcal{D}^y(\tau_{i,t}) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma_i(\tau_{i,t}-\tau_i^*)^2}$
- ▶ Marginal values of the climate variables :  $\lambda_{i,t}^S$  and  $\lambda_{i,t}^\tau$

$$d\lambda_{i,t}^\tau = \left[ \lambda_{i,t}^\tau(\tilde{\rho} + \zeta) + \overbrace{\gamma_i(\tau_{i,t} - \tau_i^*)\mathcal{D}^y(\tau_{i,t})}^{-\partial_\tau \mathcal{D}^y(\tau_{i,t})} f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}) \lambda_{i,t}^k \right] dt + z_{i,t}^\tau dB_t^0$$

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- ▶ Costate  $\lambda_{i,t}^S$  : marg. cost of 1Mt carbon in atmosphere, for country  $i$ . Increases with :
  - Temperature gaps  $\tau_{i,t} - \tau_i^*$  & damage sensitivity of TFP  $\gamma_i$
  - Development level  $f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t})$
  - Climate params :  $\chi$  climate sensitivity,  $\Delta_i$  “catching up” of  $\tau_i$  and  $\zeta$  reaction speed
  - Aggregate risk  $z_{i,t}^\tau$  and  $z_{i,t}^S$

## Local Social cost of carbon

- The marginal “externality damage” or “local social cost of carbon” (SCC) for region  $i$  :

$$LSCC_{i,t} := -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}_{i,t} / \partial \mathcal{S}_t}{\partial \mathcal{V}_{i,t} / \partial c_{i,t}} = -\frac{\lambda_{i,t}^S}{\lambda_{i,t}^k}$$

- Ratio of marg. cost of carbon vs. the marg. value of consumption/capital

- Theorem : **Stationary LSCC** :

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- More general formula : [Here](#), Proof : [Here](#) + What determine temperatures ? [Details Temperature](#)

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- This, Global SCC becomes :

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- ⇒ If **damages** are concentrated in high- $\hat{\lambda}_{i,t}^k$  / poorer countries, it exacerbates the global SCC !  
i.e. higher than the representative agent  $SCC_t > \mathbb{E}_j[LSCC_{it}]$

## Climate uncertainty and the Cost of Carbon :

- ▶ Stochastics : for any shock  $\epsilon$  with distribution  $\epsilon \sim \varphi(\epsilon)$
- ▶ New measure for **inequalities** :

$$\widehat{\lambda}_{it}^k(\epsilon) = \frac{\lambda_{it}^k(\epsilon)}{\mathbb{E}_{k,\epsilon}[\lambda_{i,t}^k(\epsilon)]} = \frac{\omega_i u'(c_{i,t}(\epsilon))}{\int_{\epsilon} \int_j \omega_j u'(c_{j,t}(\epsilon)) dj d\varphi(\epsilon)}$$

- ▶ Uncertainty-adjusted SCC writes :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon}[SCC] &= \int_{\mathcal{E}} \int_{\mathbb{I}} \widehat{\lambda}_{it}^k(\epsilon) LSCC_{it}(\epsilon) d\varphi(\epsilon) \\ &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_j \left[ \text{Cov}_{\epsilon} \left( \widehat{\lambda}_{it}^k(\epsilon), LSCC_{jt}(\epsilon) \right) \right]}_{=\text{effect of aggregate risk } \epsilon} + \underbrace{\text{Cov}_j \left[ \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon} \left( \widehat{\lambda}_{it}^k(\epsilon) \right), \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon} \left( LSCC_{jt}(\epsilon) \right) \right]}_{=\text{effect of heterogeneity across } j} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{j,\epsilon} [LSCC_{jt}(\epsilon)]}_{=\text{average exp. damage}} \end{aligned}$$

$$> \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon}[\overline{SCC}(\epsilon)] \quad \& \quad > SCC_t$$

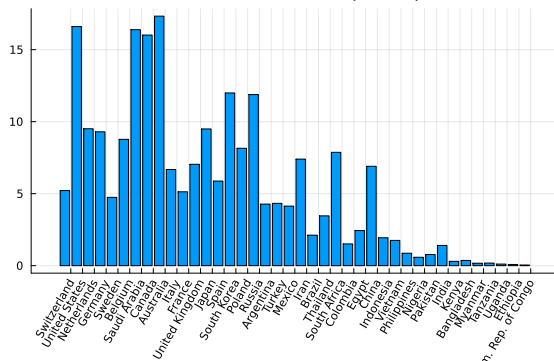
⇒ Climate uncertainty reinforces the unequal costs of climate change !

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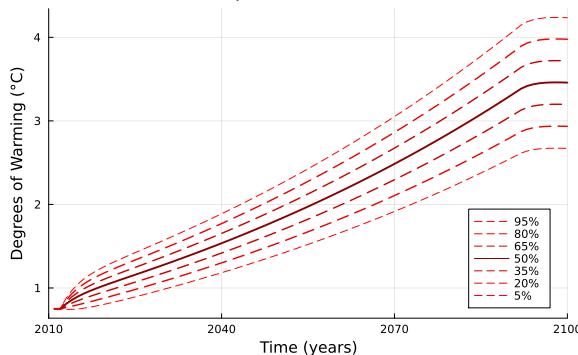
# Numerical Application

- ▶ Data : 40 countries
- ▶ Temperature (of the *largest city*), GDP, energy, population
- ▶ Calibrate  $z$  to match the distribution of output per capita at steady state

CO2 Emissions (Tons of CO2 per capita, 2011)



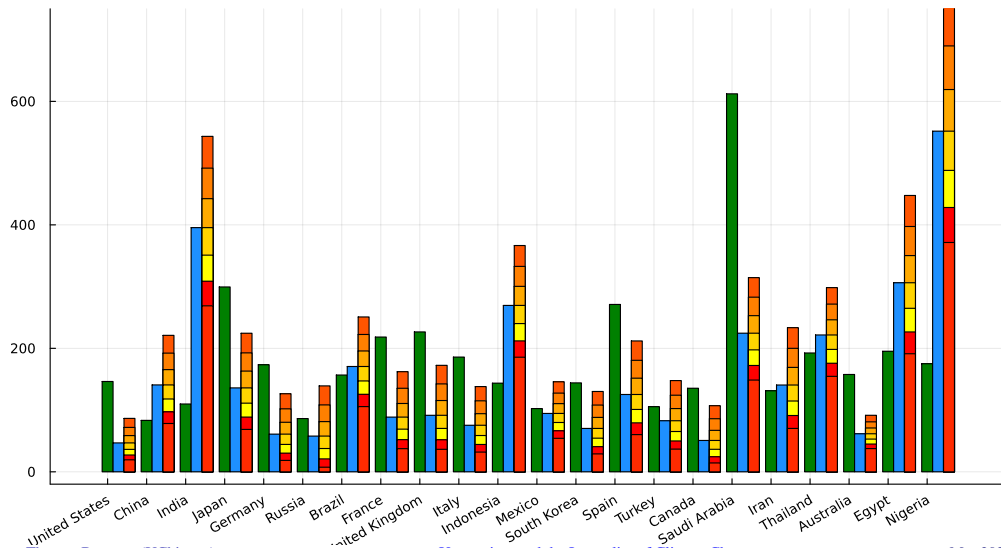
Temperature Scenarios





# Distribution of carbon prices without and with uncertainty

LSCC with Climate Risk



## Conclusion

- ▶ Climate change has redistributive effects
  - Cost of carbon very heterogeneous across countries
  - Climate risk amplifies the impact on inequality
  
- ▶ New methodology to simulate aggregate risk globally
  - Rely on the Sequential method and shooting algorithm
  - Adapt it to aggregate risk using discretization with a tree
  
- ▶ Future plans :
  - More developed climate model
  - Different sources of uncertainty,
    - growth in TFP  $z$
    - fossil/renewable price difference  $g^f$  vs  $g^r$ .

# Appendices

## Climate model : Extension

- Future : more sophisticated climate block – Nordhaus (2016), Cai, Lontzek, Judd (2018)
  - Emissions come from Land and Fossil

$$\mathcal{E}_t = \mathcal{E}_{\ell,t}(\mathcal{T}) + \mathcal{E}_{f,t}$$

- World divided in “boxes” :  $AT$  : atmosphere,  $UO$  Upper Ocean+Biosphere,  $LO$  Lower Ocean

$$\mathcal{M}_t = (M_{AT,t}, M_{UO,t}, M_{LO,t}) \quad \mathcal{T}_t = (T_{AT,t}, T_{LO,t})$$

- Carbon Cycle, Radiative forcing and Temperature dynamics

$$d\mathcal{M}_t = \left( \Phi_M \mathcal{M}_t + (\mathcal{E}_t, 0, 0)^T \right) dt$$

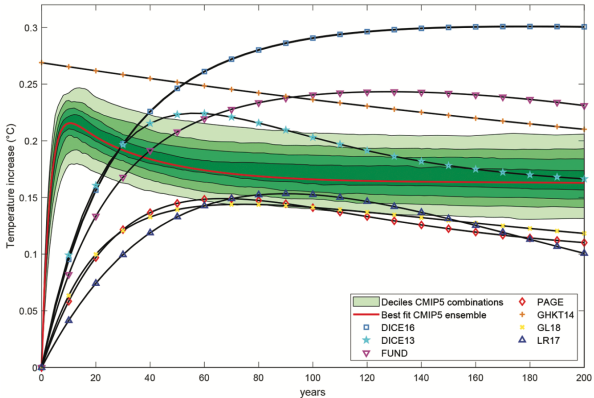
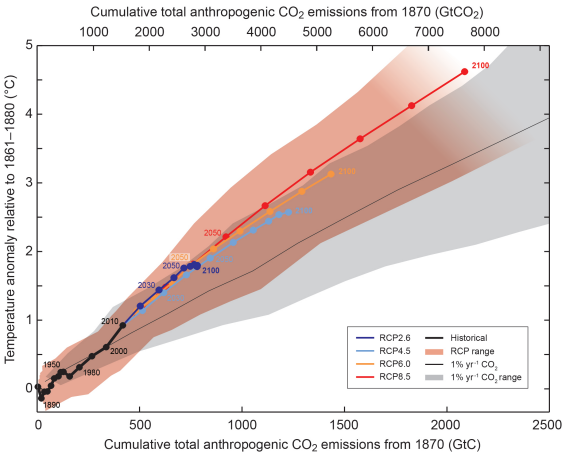
$$\mathcal{F}_t = \eta \log \left\{ \frac{M_{AT,t}}{\bar{M}_{AT}} \right\} + \mathcal{F}_{ex,t}$$

$$d\mathcal{T}_t = \left( \Phi_T \mathcal{T}_t + (\zeta \mathcal{F}_t, 0)^T \right) dt$$

with  $\Phi_M$  and  $\Phi_T$  Markovian matrices

- Adding 5-6 states variables : No challenge for the sequential method at hand ! [back](#)

# Temperature dynamics



Linear temperature model – IPCC report / Dietz, van der Ploeg, Rezai, Venmans (2021)

## Cost of carbon / Marginal value of temperature

- Solving for the cost of carbon and temperature  $\Leftrightarrow$  solving ODE

$$\dot{\lambda}_{i,t}^{\tau} = \lambda_t^{\tau}(\tilde{\rho} + \Delta\zeta) + \gamma(\tau - \tau^*)\mathcal{D}^y(\tau)f(k, e)\lambda_t^k + \phi(\tau - \tau^*)\mathcal{D}^u(\tau)u(c)$$

$$\dot{\lambda}_t^S = \lambda_t^S(\tilde{\rho} + \delta^s) - \int_{\mathbb{I}} \Delta_i \zeta \chi \lambda_{i,t}^{\tau}$$

- Solving for  $\lambda_t^{\tau}$  and  $\lambda_t^S$ , in stationary equilibrium  $\dot{\lambda}_t^S = \dot{\lambda}_t^{\tau} = 0$

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► Closed form solution for CC :

- In stationary equilibrium :  $\dot{\lambda}_t^S = \dot{\lambda}_t^T = 0$
- Fast temperature adjustment  $\zeta \rightarrow \infty$
- no internalization of externality (business as usual)

$$LSCC_{i,t} \equiv \frac{\Delta_i \chi}{\rho - n + \bar{g}(\eta - 1) + \delta^s} (\tau_\infty - \tau^*) \left( \gamma \mathcal{D}^y(\tau_\infty) y_\infty + \phi \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_\infty) \frac{c_\infty}{1 - \eta} \right)$$

► Heterogeneity + uncertainty about models [Back](#)

## Social cost of carbon & temperature

- Cost of carbon depends only on final temperatures and path of emissions :

$$\tau_T - \tau_{t_0} = \Delta \chi \xi \omega \int_{t_0}^T e^{(n+\bar{g})t - \delta_s(T-t)} q_t^f - \sigma_e \int_{j \in \mathbb{I}} (z_j z_{j,t}^e \mathcal{D}(\tau_{j,t}))^{\sigma-1} y_{j,t} q_{j,t}^{\sigma_e - \sigma} dj dt$$

- Geographical factors determining warming  $\Delta_i$
- Climate sensitivity  $\chi$  & carbon exit from atmosphere  $\delta_s$
- Growth of population  $n$ , aggregate productivity  $\bar{g}$
- Deviation of output from trend  $y_i$  & relative TFP  $z_j$
- Directed technical change  $z_t^e$ , elasticity of energy in output  $\sigma$
- Fossil energy price  $q^{ef}$  and Hotelling rent  $g^{qf} \approx \dot{\lambda}_t^R / \lambda_t^R = \rho$
- Change in energy mix, renewable share  $\omega$ , price  $q_t^r$  & elasticity of source  $\sigma_e$

- Approximations at  $T \equiv$  Generalized Kaya (or  $I = PAT$ ) identity [More details](#)

$$\frac{\dot{\tau}_T}{\tau_T} \propto n + \bar{g}^y - (1 - \sigma)(g^{z^e} - \tilde{\gamma}) + (\sigma_e - \sigma)(1 - \omega)g^{q^r} - (\sigma_e(1 - \omega) + \sigma\omega)g^{q^f}$$



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  - Intuition : shifting the distribution of states  $x$  for all other agents  $\tilde{x}$
  - $D_\mu H$  is the L-derivative w.r.t the measure  $\mu \equiv P_{x,t}$
  - Idea : lifting of the function  $H(x, \mu) = \hat{H}(x, \hat{X})$  where  $\hat{X} \sim \mu$  and hence  $D_\mu H(x, \mu)(\hat{X}) = D_{\hat{x}} \hat{H}(x, \hat{X})$
  - Probabilistic approach : easy to compute  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D_\mu H(\tilde{x}_t, \mu)] = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D_{\hat{x}} H(\tilde{x}_t, \hat{X})]$
  - Here : effects are homogeneous for all agents : interaction with measure  $P_x$  is non-local !
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## More details – PMP – Competitive equilibrium

- ▶ Household problem : State variables  $x_{i,t} = (k_i, \tau_i)$

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- ▶ Pontryagin Maximum Principle

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(x, \{c, e^f, e^r\}, \{\lambda^k, \lambda^\tau, \lambda^s\}) = & u(c_i, \tau_i) + \lambda_{i,t}^k \left( \mathcal{D}(\tau_{it}) f(k_t, e_t) - (n + \bar{g} + \delta) k_t - q_t^f e_{it}^f - q_{it}^r e_{it}^r - c_t \right) \\ & + \lambda_{i,t}^\tau \left( \Delta_i \chi \mathcal{S}_t - (\tau_{it} - \tau_{i0}) \right) + \lambda_{i,t}^s \left( \mathcal{E}_t - \delta^s \mathcal{S}_t \right) \end{aligned}$$

## More details – PMP – Competitive equilibrium

- Household problem : State variables  $x_{i,t} = (k_i, \tau_i)$

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- Pontryagin Maximum Principle

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(x, \{c, e^f, e^r\}, \{\lambda^k, \lambda^\tau, \lambda^s\}) = & u(c_i, \tau_i) + \lambda_{i,t}^k \left( \mathcal{D}(\tau_{it}) f(k_i, e_i) - (n + \bar{g} + \delta) k_i - q_{it}^f e_{it}^f - q_{it}^r e_{it}^r - c_i \right) \\ & + \lambda_{i,t}^\tau \zeta \left( \Delta_i \chi \mathcal{S}_t - (\tau_{it} - \tau_{i0}) \right) + \lambda_{i,t}^s \left( \mathcal{E}_t - \delta^s \mathcal{S}_t \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$u'(c_{it}) = \lambda_{i,t}^k$$

$$[e_t^f] \quad MPe_{it}^f = \mathcal{D}(\tau_{i,t}) \zeta \partial_{e^f} f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}) \left( \frac{e_{i,t}^f}{\omega e_{i,t}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sigma_e}} = q_t^f$$

$$[e_t^r] \quad MPe_{it}^r = \mathcal{D}(\tau_{i,t}) \zeta \partial_{e^r} f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}) \left( \frac{e_{i,t}^r}{(1 - \omega) e_{i,t}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sigma_e}} = q_{it}^r$$

$$[k_{i,t}] \quad \dot{\lambda}_t^k = \lambda_t^k (\rho - \partial_k f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}))$$

$$[\tau_{i,t}] \quad \dot{\lambda}_{i,t}^\tau = \lambda_{i,t}^\tau (\tilde{\rho} + \zeta) + \overbrace{\gamma_i (\tau_{i,t} - \tau_i^*) \mathcal{D}^y(\tau_{i,t}) f(k_{i,t}, e_{i,t}) \lambda_{i,t}^k}^{-\partial_\tau \mathcal{D}^y} + \overbrace{\phi_i (\tau_{i,t} - \tau_i^*) \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_{i,t}) u(c_{i,t})}^{\partial_\tau \mathcal{D}^u}$$

$$[\mathcal{S}_t] \quad \dot{\lambda}_{i,t}^s = \lambda_{i,t}^s (\tilde{\rho} + \delta^s) - \zeta \chi \Delta_i \lambda_{i,t}^\tau$$

## More details – PMP – Ramsey Optimal Allocation

► Hamiltonian :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H}^{sp}(s, \{c\}, \{e^f\}, \{e^r\}, \{\lambda\}, \{\psi\}) = & \int_{\mathbb{I}} \omega_i \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_{it}) u(c_i) p_i di + \\
 & + \psi_{i,t}^k \left( \mathcal{D}(\tau_{it}) f(k_t, e_t) - (n + \bar{g} + \delta) k_t + \theta_i \pi(E_t^f, \mathcal{I}_t, \mathcal{R}_t) - q_t^f e_{it}^f - q_{it}^r e_{it}^r - c_t \right) \\
 & + \psi_t^S \left( \mathcal{E}_t - \delta^S S_t \right) + \psi_{it}^\tau \zeta \left( \Delta_i \chi S_t - (\tau_{it} - \tau_{i0}) \right) + \psi_{it}^{\mathcal{R}} \left( -E_t^f + \delta^R \mathcal{I}_t \right) \\
 & + \psi_{i,t}^{\lambda^k} \left( \lambda_t^k (\rho - r_t) \right) + \psi_t^{\lambda^R} \left( \rho \lambda_t^R + \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{R}}^f(E_t^f, \mathcal{I}_t, \mathcal{R}_t) \right) \\
 & + \phi_{it}^c \left( \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_{it}) u'(c_i) - \lambda_{it}^k \right) + \phi_{it}^{ef} \left( M P e_{it}^f - q_t^f \right) + \phi_{it}^r \left( M P e_{it}^r - q_{it}^r \right) \\
 & + \phi_t^{Ef} \left( q_t^f - \mathcal{C}_E^f(\cdot) - \lambda_t^{\mathcal{R}} \right) + \phi_t^{\mathcal{I}f} \left( \delta \lambda_t^{\mathcal{R}} - \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{I}}^f(\cdot) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



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# Ramsey Optimal Allocation - FOCs

## ► FOCs

$$[c_{it}] \quad \psi_{it}^k = \underbrace{\omega_i \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_{it}) u'(c_i) p_i}_{=\text{direct effect}} + \underbrace{\phi_{it}^c \mathcal{D}^u(\tau_{it}) u''(c_i)}_{=\text{effect on savings}}$$

$$\text{Define :} \quad \widehat{\phi}_{it}^e = \phi_{it}^f MPe_t^f + \phi_{it}^r MPe_t^r$$

$$[e_{it}^f] \quad \psi_{i,t}^k \left( MPe_{it}^f - q_t^f \right) + \xi_{it} p_i \psi_t^S + p_i \partial_E \pi^f(\cdot) \int_{\mathbb{I}} \theta_j \psi_{jt}^k dj + \partial_{e^f} \widehat{\phi}_{it}^e - p_i \phi_t^{Ef} \partial_{EE} \mathcal{C}(\cdot) = 0$$

$$[e_{it}^r] \quad \psi_{i,t}^k \left( MPe_{it}^r - q_{it}^r \right) + \partial_{e^r} \widehat{\phi}_{it}^e = 0$$

$$[\mathcal{I}_t] \quad \delta \psi_t^{\mathcal{R}} + \partial_{\mathcal{RI}}^2 \mathcal{C}(\cdot) \psi_t^{\lambda, \mathcal{R}} - \phi_t^{\mathcal{I}} \partial_{\mathcal{II}}^2 \mathcal{C}(\cdot) = 0$$

$$[q_t^f] \quad \phi_t^{Ef} = \int_{\mathbb{I}} e_{it}^f \psi_{jt}^k dj + \int_{\mathbb{I}} \phi_{jt}^f dj - \partial_{q^f} \pi^f(\cdot) \int_{\mathbb{I}} \theta_j \psi_{jt}^k dj$$

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## Ramsey Optimal Allocation - FOCs

► Backward equations for planner's costates

$$[k_i] \quad \dot{\psi}_{it}^k = \psi_{it}^k(\tilde{\rho} - r_{it} + \partial_k MPk_i)\psi_{it}^k - \partial_k \widehat{\phi}_{it}^e$$

$$[\mathcal{S}_i] \quad \dot{\psi}_t^{\mathcal{S}} = (\tilde{\rho} + \delta^s)\psi_t^{\mathcal{S}} - \int_{\mathbb{I}} \Delta_j \zeta \chi \psi_{jt}^{\tau} dj$$

$$[\tau_i] \quad \dot{\psi}_t^{\tau} = (\tilde{\rho} + \zeta)\psi_t^{\tau} - \left( \omega_i \mathcal{D}'(\tau_{it})u(c_{it}) + \psi_{it}^k \mathcal{D}'(\tau_{it})f(k_{it}, e_{it}) + \phi_{it}^c \mathcal{D}'(\tau_{it})u'(c_i) + \partial_{\tau} \widehat{\phi}_{it}^e \right)$$

$$[\mathcal{R}] \quad \dot{\psi}_t^{\mathcal{R}} = \psi_t^{\mathcal{R}} \left( \tilde{\rho} - \partial_{\mathcal{R}\mathcal{R}}^2 \mathcal{C}(\cdot) \right) - \phi_t^{Ef} \partial_{\mathcal{R}E}^2 \mathcal{C}(\cdot)$$

$$[\lambda_i^k] \quad \dot{\psi}_t^{\lambda, k} = \tilde{\rho} \psi_t^{\lambda, k} - (\rho - r_{i,t})\psi_t^k + \phi_{i,t}^c$$

$$[\lambda_i^{\mathcal{R}}] \quad \dot{\psi}_t^{\lambda, \mathcal{R}} = \psi_t^{\lambda, \mathcal{R}}(\tilde{\rho} - \rho) + \phi_t^{Ef} - \delta \phi_t^{\mathcal{I}f}$$

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