Supply and Demand in Disaggregated Keynesian Economies with an Application to the Covid-19 Crisis David Baqaee and Emmanuel Farhi

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Plans

- Initial plan :
- Sectoral effects of social distancing Jean-Noël Barrot, Basile Grassi and Julien Sauvagnat
- Other more interesting paper with an empirical approach :
- Barrot, J.-N. and J. Sauvagnat (2016). Input Specificity and the Propagation of Idiosyncratic Shocks in Production Networks.

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- Plenty of results and extensions :
 - (i) Quantitative model : need both supply shocks and agg. demand,
 - (ii) Demand spillovers, (iii) Policy responses

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Market clearing :

$$x_{0i} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} x_{ji} = y_i$$

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Model - Nominal rigidities for factors

Slackness constraints :

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_f - \bar{w}_f \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_f - \bar{L}_f \end{pmatrix} = 0, \qquad \bar{w}_f \le w_f, \qquad L_f \le \bar{L}_f \qquad L_f = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} L_{if}$$



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- Network definitions :
 - Input-Output matrix : $\Omega_{ij} = \frac{p_j x_{ij}}{p_i y_i} = \frac{p_j x_{ij}}{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N} + \mathcal{G}} p_k x_{ik}}$
 - Leontieff Inverse Matrix : $\Psi = (I \Omega)^{-1} = I + \Omega + \Omega^2 + \dots$
 - Domar weights : goods : $\lambda_i = \frac{p_i y_i}{E} = \frac{p_i y_i}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} p_i x_{0i}}$ $\lambda_f = \frac{w_f L_f}{\sum_{f \in \mathcal{G}} w_f L_f}$

Result – Local comparative statics :

Euler equation for output :

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Stagflationary effect of negative supply shocks,

▶ Prop. 1 :

$$d\log Y = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \lambda_i d\log A_i + \sum_{f \in \mathcal{G}} \lambda_f d\log L_f$$

=
$$\underbrace{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \lambda_i d\log A_i + \sum_{f \in \mathcal{G}} \lambda_f d\log \bar{L}_f}_{\text{neoclassical effect}} + \underbrace{\sum_{f \in \mathcal{L}} \lambda_f \min \left\{ d\log \lambda_f + d\log E - d\log \bar{L}_f, 0 \right\}}_{\text{Keynesian effect}}$$

Result – Local comparative statics : factor share and price

Prop 2 : Forward propagation vs. Backward propagation :

$$d\log p_{k} = -\sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \Psi_{ki} d\log A_{i} + \sum_{f \in \mathcal{G}} \Psi_{kf} \underbrace{\left(d\log \lambda_{f} + d\log E - d\log L_{f}\right)}_{=d\log w_{f}}$$
$$d\log \lambda_{k} = \theta_{0} \mathbb{C} \operatorname{ov}_{\Omega^{(0)}} \left(d\log \omega_{0}, \frac{\Psi_{(k)}}{\lambda_{k}}\right) + \sum_{j \in 1 + \mathcal{N}} \lambda_{j} \left(\theta_{j} - 1\right) \mathbb{C} \operatorname{ov}_{\Omega^{(j)}} \left(-d\log p, \frac{\Psi_{(k)}}{\lambda_{k}}\right)$$

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A simpler example : Horizontal economy



$$Y/\bar{Y} = \left(\sum_{i} \bar{\lambda}_{i} (y_{i}/\bar{y}_{i})^{\frac{\theta-1}{\theta}}\right)^{\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}}$$
$$y_{i}/\bar{y}_{i} = L_{i}/\bar{L}_{i},$$
$$L_{i} = \min\{\bar{L}_{i}, \lambda_{i}E/\bar{w}_{i}\}$$
$$w_{i} = \max\{\lambda_{i}E/\bar{L}_{i}, \bar{w}_{i}\}.$$

Change in labor in flexible and rigid sectors :

$$d\log L_{\mathcal{F}} = d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}} := \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{\lambda_f}{\lambda_F} d\log \bar{L}_f \qquad \quad d\log L_{\mathcal{R}} < d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{R}}$$

• By Proposition 2, the change in the share of a factor f is given by

$$\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \lambda_{\mathcal{F}} = -\frac{(1-\theta)\left(1-\lambda_{\mathcal{F}}\right)}{1-(1-\theta)\left(1-\lambda_{\mathcal{F}}\right)}\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}}$$

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Use the above relation : reallocation from rigid to flexible sectors :

$$\lambda_{\mathcal{R}} d \log L_{\mathcal{R}} = \sum_{f \in \mathcal{R}} \lambda_f d \log \lambda_f = -\sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \lambda_f d \log \lambda_f = -\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d \log \lambda_{\mathcal{F}}$$

Aggregate output change : Amplification through Keynesian channels :

$$d\log Y = \lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}} + \lambda_{\mathcal{R}} d\log L_{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}}}{1 - (1 - \theta)(1 - \lambda_{\mathcal{F}})}$$
$$= \underbrace{\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}} + \lambda_{\mathcal{R}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{R}}}_{\text{neoclassical effect}} + \underbrace{\sum_{f \in \mathcal{R}} \lambda_{f} \left(\frac{(1 - \theta)\lambda_{\mathcal{F}} d\log \bar{L}_{\mathcal{F}}}{1 - (1 - \theta)(1 - \lambda_{\mathcal{F}})} - d\log \bar{L}_{f}\right)}_{\text{Kevnesian effect}}$$

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- Prop 3 : (Global Sufficient Statistics).
- With log util $\rho = 1$, uniform elasticities of substitution $\theta_j = \theta, \forall j \in 1 + N$, and if shocks affect only factor supply shocks $\Delta \log \bar{L}$ and agg. demand $\Delta \log \zeta$ (not productivity *A* or demand composition ω), Then :

$$\Delta \log Y(\Delta \log \bar{L}, \Delta \log \zeta, \bar{\Omega}) = \Delta \log Y\left(\Delta \log \bar{L}, \Delta \log \zeta, \bar{\Omega}'\right)$$

 $\forall \, \bar{\Omega} \text{ and } \bar{\Omega}' \text{ such that } \bar{\lambda}_f = \bar{\Psi}_{0f} = \bar{\Psi}'_{0f} = \bar{\lambda}'_f \text{ for every } f \in \mathcal{G}$

AS-AD representation :



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Shock to one sector with Keynesian spillovers on aggregate supply

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Extensions :

Quantitative model :

- Between 4 and 12 % Keynesian unemployment
- Around 10% drop in real GDP (50%-100% more than in neoclassical model alone)

Extensions : endogenous demand spillovers and policy

- Constrained costumers
- Firm failures
- Policy responses : (less effective with complementarities)
 - Monetary policy
 - Payroll tax cut
 - Targeted fiscal policy