

- Aggregate supply/Phillips curve, model sticky prices
  - Relation between inflation and real activity
  - Inflation determined by inflation expectations, output gap/marginal cost, fluctuations in markups
  - Inflation expectations: Expectations matter, volatility, “credibility” (inflation expectations equal to inflation target)
  - Marginal cost: Activity, output gap, wages, cost of raw materials, intermediate goods, imported intermediate goods, exchange rates (depreciation), foreign price levels (inflation),...
  - Lags, shocks, imperfect information, fog of monetary policy

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- Aggregate demand, real activity
  - Flexible prices: Demand equals supply, potential output, “full” employment (if distortions, not socially optimal)
    - \* Vertical short-run Phillips curve
    - \* Prices/inflation determined by demand for real balances and money supply, no role for CBs’ influencing real aggregate demand
    - \* Exogenous money supply (growth) determines prices (inflation), nominal GDP (growth)
    - \* Nominal interest rates determined by real interest rates (independent of monetary policy) and expected inflation
  - Sticky prices
    - \* Output demand-determined in short and medium term, output deviates from potential output, output gap  $\neq 0$
    - \* Short real interest rates affected by short nominal interest rates
    - \* CBs control short interest rates, affect aggregated demand/output

- Models of aggregate demand
  - Nominal aggregate demand, exogenous velocity
  - Traditional IS
  - (Fuhrer-Moore)
  - Forward-looking (microfoundations)
    - \* Keeping up with the Joneses, habit formation
- Role of the money demand

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### Aggregate demand

- Nominal aggregate demand, exogenous velocity
  - Instrument: money supply (not interest rate)
  - Quantity equation (definition)

$$P_t Y_t \equiv M_t V_t$$

$$p_t + y_t \equiv m_t + v_t$$

Exogenous  $v_t$ ,  $p_t + y_t$  determined by  $m_t$ , separate effects on  $y_t$  and  $p_t$  determined by aggregate supply

Problems:

- Status of quantity equation? Definition, causal relation, long-run equilibrium relation?
- Instrument only very narrow monetary aggregate (monetary base, nonborrowed reserves) (check Mishkin textbook)
- Broad money supply (M2, M3) = money multiplier (endogenous) · monetary base
- Velocity endogenous
- Lags in effect of  $m$ , different lags for  $p$  and  $y$
- Frequent in earlier theoretical work, convenient
- Not practical use (except Bundesbank money-growth target/ECB reference value)
- Old-fashioned, outdated

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Now, more realism:

- Instrument: Short nominal interest rate,  $i_t$  (Fed: Fed funds rate, ECB: Main refinancing rate)
- Effect on *real* aggregate demand, via effect on real interest rate (interest rate channel, intertemporal substitution),

$$r_t \equiv i_t - \pi_{t+1|t} \quad (1)$$

( $i_t \equiv \ln(1 + i_t^e)$ ,  $r_t \equiv \ln(1 + r_t^e)$ , continuously compounded;  $i_t^e$ ,  $r_t^e$ , “effective”)

Expected inflation  $\pi_{t+1|t}$  sufficiently sticky, such that  $i_t$  has at least a temporary effect on  $r_t$ .

- Traditional AD (IS curve), with lag (Svensson EER 97)

$$\begin{aligned} y_{t+1} &= \beta_y y_t - \beta_r r_t + \eta_{t+1} \\ r_t &= i_t - \pi_{t+1|t} \end{aligned}$$

- [Fuhrer-Moore (AER 95)]

$$\begin{aligned} y_{t+1} &= \beta_y y_t - \beta_r r_t^L + \eta_{t+1} \\ r_t^L &= \frac{1}{1+D} \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{D}{1+D} \right)^{\tau} r_{t+\tau|t} \end{aligned}$$

$r_t^L$  real interest rate on long coupon bond,  $D$  is duration (measure of average maturity of coupon bond).

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- Forward-looking (King and Wolman 96, McCallum and Nelson 97, Woodford 96)  
Representative consumer, intertemporal CES,  $\sigma > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} &E_t \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} \delta^{\tau} [U(C_{t+\tau}) + V(\frac{M_{t+\tau}}{P_{t+\tau}})] \\ U(C_t) &= \begin{cases} A_t \frac{C_t^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} - 1}{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} & \sigma \neq 1 \\ A_t \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 1} \frac{C_t^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} - 1}{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} = A_t \ln C_t & \sigma = 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

( $A_t$  preference shock)

Euler condition, asset-pricing condition,  $i_t$  continuously compounded nominal interest rate,  $P_t$  price level

$$e^{-i_t} = \delta E_t \frac{U_{C,t+1}/P_{t+1}}{U_{C,t}/P_t} = \delta E_t \frac{A_{t+1} C_{t+1}^{-1/\sigma} / P_{t+1}}{A_t C_t^{-1/\sigma} / P_t}$$

Loglinear approximation:  $\ln E_t x_t = E_t \ln x_t$  (disregard Jensen’s inequality)

$c_t = \ln C_t$ ,  $p_t = \ln P_t$ ,  $\pi_t = p_t - p_{t-1}$ .

$$-i_t = \ln \delta + E_t (a_{t+1} - \frac{1}{\sigma} c_{t+1} - p_{t+1} - a_t + \frac{1}{\sigma} c_t + p_t)$$

Solve for  $c_t$

$$c_t = c_{t+1|t} - \sigma(i_t - \pi_{t+1|t}) + \sigma(a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta)$$

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Disregard investment and intermediate inputs. Identify  $c_t$  as (log) aggregate demand. Assume output demand determined,  $y_t$  (log) output,

$$y_t = c_t$$

Forward-looking aggregate demand equation

$$y_t = y_{t+1|t} - \sigma(i_t - \pi_{t+1|t}) + \sigma(a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta) \quad (2)$$

Assume exogenous potential output, exogenous stochastic process  $\{\bar{y}_t\}$ . Subtract from (2)

$$y_t - \bar{y}_t = y_{t+1|t} - \bar{y}_{t+1|t} - \sigma(i_t - \pi_{t+1|t}) + \sigma(a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta) + (\bar{y}_{t+1|t} - \bar{y}_t)$$

Introduce output gap

$$x_t \equiv y_t - \bar{y}_t \quad (3)$$

Natural real interest rate (Wicksell 1898) (exogenous stochastic process)

$$\bar{r}_t \equiv (a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta) + \frac{1}{\sigma}(\bar{y}_{t+1|t} - \bar{y}_t) \quad (4)$$

Forward-looking output-gap equation

$$x_t = x_{t+1|t} - \sigma(r_t - \bar{r}_t) \quad (5)$$

Natural interest rate: Real interest rate corresponding to zero output gap. (Includes transient components here. Alternatively:  $\bar{r}_t + \xi_t$  where  $\bar{r}_t$  more persistent.)

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Solve (5) forward

$$x_t = x_{t+T|t} - \sigma \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} (r_{t+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t}) \quad (\text{measure of monetary-policy stance}).$$

Assume  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} x_{t+T|t} = 0$ ,  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} (r_{t+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t})$  exists ( $r_{t+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t} \rightarrow 0$  sufficiently fast).

$$x_t = -\sigma \rho_t$$

$$\rho_t \equiv \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} (r_{t+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t}) \equiv \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} (i_{t+\tau|t} - \pi_{t+1+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t})$$

Long real (spot) rate  $r_t^T$ , maturity  $T$ . Long real natural rate,  $\bar{r}_t^T$ . Expectations hypothesis:

$$\exp(r_t^T T) = E_t \exp\left(\sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} r_{t+\tau}\right)$$

Loglinear approximation

$$E_t \exp\left(\sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} r_{t+\tau}\right) = \exp\left(E_t \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} r_{t+\tau}\right)$$

$$r_t^T = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} r_{t+\tau|t}, \quad \bar{r}_t^T = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} \bar{r}_{t+\tau|t},$$

$$\rho_t \approx T(r_t^T - \bar{r}_t^T)$$

– Output gap depends on long real rate

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- Long real rate depends on expected future short nominal rates (term structure) and inflation expectations
- Expectations matter
- CBs affect the output gap mostly by the expectations of future short nominal interest rate setting and future inflation

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- Current output/consumption not forward-looking, predetermined one period Euler condition

$$E_t e^{-i_{t+1}} = \delta E_t \frac{U_{C,t+2}/P_{t+2}}{U_{C,t+1}/P_{t+1}} = \delta E_t \frac{A_{t+2} C_{t+2}^{-1/\sigma} / P_{t+2}}{A_{t+1} C_{t+1}^{-1/\sigma} / P_{t+1}}$$

Same derivation results in

$$x_{t+1|t} = x_{t+2|t} - \sigma(r_{t+1|t} - \bar{r}_{t+1|t})$$

$$x_{t+1|t} = -\sigma \rho_{t+1|t}$$

$$\rho_{t+1|t} = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} (i_{t+1+\tau|t} - \pi_{t+2+\tau|t} - \bar{r}_{t+1+\tau|t})$$

Now  $i_{t+1|t}$ ,  $i_{t+2|t}$ , ..., matter, not  $i_t$

Current output, output gap,  $\eta_t$  unexplained shock,  $E_t \eta_{t+1} = 0$

$$y_t = y_{t|t-1} + \eta_t$$

$$x_t = y_t - \bar{y}_t = y_{t|t-1} + \eta_t - \bar{y}_{t|t-1} - (\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_{t|t-1})$$

$$= x_{t|t-1} + \eta_t - (\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_{t|t-1})$$

- More persistence: Keeping up with the Joneses (Abel 90) (external habit formation); (internal) habit formation (Fuhrer 98). External habit formation easiest  
 $\bar{C}_t$  aggregate consumption,  $\gamma \geq 0$

$$U(C_t, \bar{C}_{t-1}) = \begin{cases} A_t \frac{(C_t/\bar{C}_{t-1})^{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} - 1}{1-\frac{1}{\sigma}} & \sigma \neq 1 \\ A_t \ln(C_t/\bar{C}_{t-1}) & \sigma = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$e^{-i_t} = \delta E_t \frac{U_{C,t+1}/P_{t+1}}{U_{C,t}/P_t} = \delta E_t \frac{A_{t+1}[C_{t+1}^{-1/\sigma}/\bar{C}_t^{\gamma(1-\frac{1}{\sigma})}]/P_{t+1}}{A_t[C_t^{-1/\sigma}/\bar{C}_{t-1}^{\gamma(1-\frac{1}{\sigma})}]/P_t}$$

$$-i_t = \ln \delta + a_{t+1|t} - \frac{1}{\sigma} c_{t+1|t} - \gamma(1 - \frac{1}{\sigma}) \bar{c}_t - p_{t+1|t}$$

$$- a_t + \frac{1}{\sigma} c_t + \gamma(1 - \frac{1}{\sigma}) \bar{c}_{t-1} + p_t$$

$$c_t = -\gamma(1 - \sigma) \bar{c}_t + \gamma(1 - \sigma) \bar{c}_{t-1} + c_{t+1|t}$$

$$-\sigma(i_t - \pi_{t+1|t}) + \sigma(a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta)$$

In equilibrium,  $y_t = c_t = \bar{c}_t$  (disregard investment, intermediate inputs)

$$y_t = \beta y_{t-1} + (1 - \beta) y_{t+1|t} - \tilde{\sigma} [i_t - \pi_{t+1|t} - (a_t - a_{t+1|t} - \ln \delta)]$$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\gamma(1 - \sigma)}{1 + \gamma(1 - \sigma)} \quad \tilde{\sigma} \equiv \frac{\sigma}{1 + \gamma(1 - \sigma)}$$

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- Credit channel (Bernanke and Gertler JEP 95, Walsh chap. 7, Bernanke-Gertler-Gilchrist 99)

Parallel to interest rate/intertemporal substitution channel

– Bank-lending channel

$$i \uparrow, M \downarrow \Rightarrow \text{Bank deposits} \downarrow \Rightarrow \text{Bank lending} \downarrow \\ \Rightarrow \text{Loan interest rates} \uparrow \Rightarrow y \downarrow$$

– Balance-sheet channel, financial accelerator

$$i \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{Collateral} \downarrow, \text{External-finance premium} \uparrow \Rightarrow y \downarrow$$

- Summary of interest rate/credit channel

$$i \uparrow \Rightarrow r \uparrow \Rightarrow y \downarrow \Rightarrow \pi \downarrow$$

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- The role of money

- Suppose money additively separable

$$u\left(C, \frac{M}{P}\right) = U(C) + V\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)$$

$$\frac{V'\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)}{U'(C)} = \frac{i_t^e}{1 + i_t^e} = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + i_t^e} = 1 - e^{-i_t}$$

Just add money demand equation

$$\frac{M_t^d}{P_t} = L(C_t, i_t)$$

CB: Supply whatever money demanded at chosen  $i_t$ , money supply perfectly elastic

$$M_t^s = M_t^d$$

Use (narrow) money as an instrument to achieve given  $i_t$  (operating target).

Money no other role in the transmission mechanism

Svensson EER 97, 99, Rudebusch-Svensson 02 on money growth targeting vs. inflation targeting

- Suppose not additively separable,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial C \partial \frac{M}{P}} \neq 0$ ,

$$u\left(C, \frac{M}{P}\right)$$

Real balances affect  $U_C$  and aggregate demand

For reasonable parameters, quantitatively very small effect, disregard (Woodford 03-2, McCallum, Nelson)

- $P^*$  model, price gap, real money gap, alternative Phillips curve, no micro foundations  
Real money gap has some predictive power for future inflation, less than the output gap (Gerlach and Svensson 03).
- Nominal money growth has little predictive power for inflation (cf. Eurosystem monetary pillar)