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## Abstract

This dissertation is a collection of two essays on the Mongolian monetary policy, organized in the form of two chapters.

In the first chapter, we proposed two hypothesis on the Mongolian monetary policy rule. In order to answer the hypothesis we estimate a New Keynesian dynamic stochastic general equilibrium model (DSGE) model of a small open economy (SOE) via the Bayesian estimation technique. We use the posterior odds test focusing on the modified generic Taylor-rule monetary policy, where the monetary authority reacts in response to inflation deviations from inflation target rates, output gaps, and exchange-rate movements. The main result is that the central bank of Mongolia (Bank of Mongolia - BoM) do not concern inflation target rates and systematically respond to nominal exchange rate (NER) changes when setting its monetary policy rule. We also find that terms-of-trade (ToT) movements do not contribute significantly to domestic business cycles.

The second chapter analyzes the monetary policy rule for Mongolia by comparing the corresponding social welfare losses for alternative monetary policy rules. In order to calculate the welfare losses, we use simulation, which is based on the Bayesian estimates, of the same DSGE model for each alternative monetary policy rules and the social welfare losses function. This function is a measurement of the second-order approximation for domestic representative

consumer's utility losses due to deviations from the optimality conditions for the SOE. By our calculation results, the domestic inflation based Taylor rule (DITR) reacting to the domestic inflation and NER changes would be delivered the highest welfare than in other rules, however, if we consider only total or CPI inflation, it turns to CPI inflation based Taylor rule reacting to inflation and NER changes. We proved this result is a robust by using household utility computations under various main parameter assumptions.

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## List of Abbreviations

AR	Autoregressive
BoM	Bank of Mongolia
CES	Constant Elasticity of Substitution
CITR	CPI Inflation-Based Taylor Rule
CPI	Consumer Price Index
DIS	Dynamic IS
DITR	Domestic Inflation-Based Taylor Rule
DSGE	Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium
FOC	First Order Condition
HPD	Highest Posterior Density
LHS	Left Hand-Side
LRE	Linear Rational Expectations
NEER	Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index
NER	Nominal Exchange Rate
NIR	Nominal Interest Rate
NK	New Keynesian
NKPC	New Keynesian Phillips Curve
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
RBC	Real Business Cycle

RER	Real Exchange Rate
RIR	Real Interest Rate
SOE	Small Open Economy
ToT	Terms of Trade
UIP	Uncovered Interest Parity
VAR	Vector Autoregression

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# Chapter I

## Introduction

### Objectives

The DSGE model, which is constituted from a generic Taylor-rule and the New Keynesian macroeconomic theory, are dominating in the recent monetary policy research. Its versions with nominal rigidities, flexible exchange rates and inflation targeting produce desirable macroeconomic results in open economies and therefore, many central banks are building and estimating their DSGE models with nominal rigidities and are using them for monetary policy analysis.

As the DSGE models have the power to explain monetary policy implications and business cycles of a country, it would be important to apply this research framework to the current Mongolian monetary policy analysis. This dissertation contributes to the discussion by studying the monetary policy rules in Mongolia. In particular, we determine whether the central bank of Mongolia (Bank of Mongolia -BoM) really concern inflation target rates on its monetary policy rule setup and whether recent official exchange rate regime - a managed floating by the BoM and a floating by the IMF - is actually effective in the Mongolian economy or not. The result would be useful for future monetary policy settings and to find optimal policy rule for the current economic situations.

Mongolia has been pursuing a form of implicit or informal inflation targeting framework from 2000s. In the end of every year, the Parliament of Mongolia resolves the annual Monetary Guidelines which includes the next year's inflation target rate and a provision that the BoM mandatorily to follow or concern this rate on their policy setting. From this conflicted fact, we can realize a research issue that whether the BoM really concern this inflation target rates on its monetary policy rule setup

or not.

Mongolia may not a floating regime country due to the main conclusion of [Calvo and Reinhart \(2002\)](#) - Fear of Floating - that the most exchange rate regimes described as a floating under the IMF classification are actually characterized by heavy exchange rate management by the monetary policy authorities. As our calculation based on the approach of the article, the probabilities of variability of the interest rates and the international reserves of Mongolia have much more variability than in the US which is considered as a pure floating regime; thus, we can propose the latter issue.

Finally, we can aim to determine the optimal monetary policy rule for Mongolia based on the results from these first two issues. In general, the main goal of any central bank is to determine the optimal monetary policy and to implement it. In regarding with the BoM, as we determine the current effective monetary policy rule, we need to determine whether it is an optimal or not by basing on the corresponding welfare measures.

## **Main findings**

We analyze monetary policy in Mongolia by using a DSGE model, quarterly macroeconomic data from 2000Q1 to 2014Q3 collected from the BoM's database, and the Bayesian estimation technique and a stochastic simulation approach.

In Chapter [II](#), we estimate a DSGE model by [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) that extend the benchmark New Keynesian DSGE model to a SOE setting by using Bayesian estimation technique. We perform the posterior odds test using the estimation results and we found that the BoM do not concern inflation target rates and systematically respond to NER changes when setting its monetary policy rule. Moreover, due to the estimated impulse response function, terms-of-trade movements do not contribute significantly to domestic business cycles in Mongolia.

In Chapter [III](#), we analyze the optimal monetary policy rule Mongolia. As the

main result Chapter II, the current effective monetary policy rule in Mongolia is the total inflation based Taylor rule (CITR) without inflation target rates. In order to find the optimal monetary policy rule for Mongolia, we determine alternative policy rules based on the possible Taylor-type rules, CITR and DITR, and to rank them by the corresponding welfare losses. By following research framework of Gali and Monacelli (2005), we show the conditions for optimal monetary policy rule and derivations the welfare loss function that is a measurement by the second-order approximation for domestic representative consumer's utility losses due to deviations from the optimality conditions for the SOE. We show that how to derive this function by different approach from in the article. We used simulation analysis on the same DSGE model based on the corresponding Bayesian estimates for each alternative monetary policy rules and obtained values that need in calculations of the welfare losses. By our calculation results, the domestic inflation based Taylor rule (DITR) reacting to the domestic inflation and NER changes would be delivered the highest welfare than in other rules, however, if we consider only total or CPI inflation, it turns to CPI inflation based Taylor rule reacting to inflation and NER changes. We proved this result is a robust by using household utility computations under various main parameter assumptions.

### **Organization of the dissertation**

Chapter II, entitled “An essay on the inflation targeting and exchange rate regime”, analyzes the monetary policy rule using a DSGE model and the Bayesian inferences. Chapter III, entitled “An essay on the monetary policy rule” analyzes the optimal monetary policy rule for Mongolia using a same DSGE model and stochastic simulation approach. The last Chapter IV contains conclusions.

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## Chapter II

# An essay on the inflation targeting and exchange rate regime

## 1 Introduction

A recent trend in the monetary policy research is to use a generic Taylor-rule for the setting of interest rate policy. The Taylor-rule theory and the New Keynesian macroeconomic theory constitute the new macroeconomic research framework named as DSGE models. According to [Clarida \(2014\)](#), the Taylor-rule framework is a convergence result of many theories for conducting, evaluating monetary policy over the past twenty years. In DSGE models with nominal rigidities, flexible exchange rates and inflation targeting produce desirable macroeconomic results in open economies. Moreover, with its crucial advantages, the Taylor-rule framework will be dominating theory for monetary policy research. Following the influential work of [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#) and [Adolfson et al. \(2008\)](#), the central banks are building and estimating their DSGE models with nominal rigidities and are using them for monetary policy analysis.

As the DSGE models have the power to explain monetary policy implications and business cycles of a country, it would be important and interesting to apply this research framework to the monetary policy of the BoM. To do so, we reviewed the recent Mongolian monetary policy facts and obtained the following two issues that can motivate this research.

First, Mongolia has been pursuing a form of implicit or informal inflation targeting framework from 2000s. As mentioned in [Hammond \(2012\)](#) and other similar documents, recently there are 27 countries in the world have a formal inflation tar-

getting regime. On other hand, in every end of year, the Parliament of Mongolia resolves the annual Monetary Guidelines which includes the next year's inflation target rate<sup>1</sup> and a provision that the BoM mandatorily to follow or concern this rate on their policy setting. From this conflicted fact, we can realize our first research issue that whether the BoM really concern this inflation target rates on its monetary policy rule setup or not. The result would be useful for future monetary policy settings and to find optimal policy rule for the current economic situations.

Second, the recent official exchange rate regime - a managed floating by the BoM and a floating by the IMF - is actually effective in the Mongolian economy? [Calvo and Reinhart \(2002\)](#) show that most exchange rate regimes described as a floating under the IMF classification, are actually characterized by heavy exchange rate management by the monetary policy authorities. Using exchange rates, NIRs, international reserves and commodity prices as indicators of policy intervention and external shocks, they demonstrate that a floating regimes of most emerging market economies more closely utilize a fixed exchange rate regimes than actual float. We have calculated the probabilities of variability of the interest rates and the international reserves of Mongolia<sup>2</sup> by following the approach in the article. As our results, Mongolia has much more variability than in the US which is considered as a pure floating regime. It means that Mongolia may not a floating regime and may be a PEG as a shown in the graph since it is located more close to the PEG.

On the other hand, the exchange rate is one of the important ingredients of monetary policy when a country chooses from the non-fixed exchange rate regimes. As discussed in [Taylor \(2001\)](#), the long-run monetary policy in a such country is based on the trinity of (i) a flexible exchange rate, (ii) an inflation target, and (iii) a monetary policy rule. These policy implications differ to each other based on the issue about how exchange rates should be include in monetary policy and

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<sup>1</sup>In Appendix 1, Table [A.1](#) summarizes inflation target rates, monetary policy and exchange rate regimes of Mongolia over the observation period, 2000-2014.

<sup>2</sup>The corresponding figures are in the Appendix 1.

how should the instruments of monetary policy (the interest rate or a monetary aggregate) react to the exchange rate. According to [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#), these issues can be transferred to an important research question of what extent a central bank responds to exchange rate movements when making monetary policy? Answers to these two questions may be one because a pure floating means that a central bank do not respond systematically to exchange rate movements and vice versa.

Finally, we can summarize the main purpose of this chapter is to answer these two questions by estimating a DSGE model of a SOE for Mongolia. For the theoretical framework, we use [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#) which is derived from [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) that extend the benchmark New Keynesian DSGE model to a SOE setting. Open economies have a possibility to participate in inter-temporal as well as intra-temporal trade in order to keep consumption above and beyond what is possible in a closed economy. Moreover, foreign shocks, such as the terms of trade, can change domestic business cycle fluctuations which may lead the monetary authority to explicitly take into account international variables. The model consists of a forward-looking (open economy) dynamic IS equation (DIS) and a New Keynesian Phillips curve (NKPC) relationship. The DIS is derived from a consumption Euler equation when households consume both domestically produced and imported goods. The NKPC is obtained from the optimal price setting decisions of domestic producers. Monetary policy is described by the modified Taylor-type rule, while the exchange rate is introduced via the definition of the consumer price index (CPI) and under the assumption of purchasing power parity (PPP).

The chapter is organized as follows. The section 2 summarizes the related literature review. In section 3, the structural SOE model is derived from the mentioned DSGE model, which we proceed to estimate. In Section 4, we discuss the estimation approach - Bayesian method, estimation results, and the results on the proposed hypothesis testings. Section 5 contains our conclusions.

## 2 Literature review

In this chapter, we use the following three broad concepts, i) DSGE modeling, ii) Bayesian estimation and inference, and iii) some related empirical facts of Mongolia; therefore, it may more convenient to organize this section by these three parts.

### 2.1 DSGE modeling

As described in [Negro and Schorfheide \(2010\)](#) the DSGE models are a research framework to study macroeconomic issues in dynamic horizon. It implies that the main decision rules of economic agents are originated from the solution of intertemporal optimization problems as same as in the RBC theory. In economy, there are also many uncertainties, for example total factor productivity, nominal interest rates and its deviations, that can influence agents, and these uncertainties are usually generated from exogenous stochastic processes.

According to [Gali \(2008\)](#), the New Keynesian (NK) and the Real Business Cycle (RBC) theories are the most influential developments in macroeconomics for the last three decades. The RBC revolution had a impact on both of methodological and conceptual areas, and the most important one is that the RBC theory constituted the use of dynamic stochastic general equilibrium (DSGE) models as “workhorse” for macroeconomic analysis. However, in the empirical area or among the central banks and other policy institutions, the RBC approach and its version with money referred as to the classical monetary model were not perceived as yielding a framework that was relevant for policy analysis. This kind of model generally predicts neutrality (or near neutrality) of monetary policy with respect to real variables, such as output and employment. That result is an opposite to central bankers’ view that monetary policy has an influence output and employment, at least in the short run. Moreover, the classical monetary models generally yield a normative implication that the only one optimal monetary rule is to keep the short term nominal rate constant at a

zero level (the Friedman rule) even though this policy is not consistent with the implementing desirable monetary policy by the central banks. The conflict between theoretical predictions and evidence, and between normative implications and policy practice, can be viewed as a symptom that some elements that are important in actual economies may be missing in classical monetary models. Those shortcomings are the main motivation behind the introduction of some Keynesian assumptions, while maintaining the RBC apparatus as an underlying structure.

As concluded in many recent research studies, the New Keynesian framework is established to understand relationship between monetary policy, inflation, and the business cycle and has been the main tool for the recent research on the theory and practice of monetary policy. Recently, this framework has been used to research on monetary policy in the open economy as well.

## 2.2 Bayesian estimation technique and inference

As mentioned in [Herbst and Schorfheide \(2016\)](#), the Bayesian technique has been used as an estimation tool for DSGE models since 15 years ago and examples of pioneers are [DeJong et al. \(2000\)](#), [Schorfheide \(2000\)](#), and [Otrok \(2001\)](#). To date, DSGE models cover a broad area of macroeconomic research fields in particular monetary policy issues, and consequently the literature is becoming an abundant.

[Geweke et al. \(2011\)](#) summarizes the main important contributions of Bayesian analysis and explains a rapid growth of estimated DSGE models as follows.

First, [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#) is the one of influential research works that shows how to derive a DSGE model from the neoclassical growth model. It improves the model by introducing a habit formation in consumption, capital adjustment costs, variable factor utilization, nominal price and wage stickiness, behavioral rules for government spending and monetary policy. DSGE models are usually criticized on their fitting and forecasting performance of key macroeconomic variables,

but by introducing potential exogenous shocks into the model, these disadvantages could be solved that is comparable to VAR and make DSGE models a powerful competitor within macroeconomic research frameworks. Bayesian methods updates estimation results using non-sample information, which is through specification of prior distributions, is one reason to use it widely.

Second, the many latest researches have devoted to invent the importance of various pass-through mechanisms that are useful for explaining empirical facts of business cycle fluctuations. The posterior odd test procedure that is based on Bayesian posterior model probabilities are commonly used to compare competing model specifications. One of a good example is [Rabanal and Rubio-Ramirez \(2005\)](#) which shows how to use this comparison method for determining the relative importance of wage and price rigidities. We can use it for a comparison analysis even if the model specifications are non-nested, for example, a DSGE model with sticky wages versus a DSGE model with sticky prices.

Finally, DSGE models with nominal rigidities are becoming a “workhorse” for a monetary policy research. According to [Adolfson et al. \(2007\)](#), many central banks of the world have been using DSGE models as their main research framework. This kind of models usually have a unique stable rational expectations solution for the main monetary policy rule coefficients that are satisfying the following common properties: i) to maximize the welfare of a representative consumer or minimize a inflation and output gap, ii) to determine welfare maximizing mechanism between the state variables of the economy and the monetary policy instruments. The key elements for the determination of such optimal policy problems are always unknown parameters of firm’s technology and consumer’s preference. Then, the main advantage of the Bayesian method is determined as availability for researchers to find these parameters through maximizing expected posterior welfare.

## 2.3 Empirical facts of the Mongolian monetary policy

As a result of the democratic revolution and transition to the market economy in 1990, a two-tiered banking system, which is comprising of the (central) BoM and commercial banks, established in 1991. The main objective of the BoM's monetary policy is to sustain stability of national currency Togrog in the external and internal markets. The stability of Togrog refers to the stable exchange rate in the external market and to the stable CPI or price stability in the domestic market.

As published in the official website of the BoM<sup>3</sup>, the BoM had a monetary aggregate targeting framework in between mid of 1990s and mid 2000s. In this period, the BoM was implementing policy by controlling reserve money as the operating target and M2 as the intermediate target. However, since mid 2000s, the BoM have faced the difficulties on implementing this type of policy due to the instability on the velocity of money, money demand, and money multiplier resulting from the ongoing remonetization process in the economy. Because of these difficulties, the BoM has been shifting their monetary policy to inflation targeting framework since 2007 based on the mid-term plan. By the this plan, the intermediate target of the framework is inflation rates and the final purpose is the stability of price.

In order to achieve desired objective, the BoM has been trying to implement the following conceptions under the inflation targeting monetary policy framework: i) announcing mid-term targeted inflation to the public, ii) defining price stability as the BoM's main and long-term objective of monetary policy and taking every possible measures to maintain inflation rate within its targeted range, iii) utilizing all available information (not only regarding monetary aggregates) in the process of monetary policy decision-making, iv) ensuring transparency of the monetary policy strategy by publicizing and introducing the objectives and operational plans of the monetary policy-makers, and v) coordinating the responsibility of the BoM with

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<sup>3</sup><https://mongolbank.mn/eng/listmonetarypolicy.aspx>

inflation performance.

The announcement of mid-term inflation target rate to the public is one of the main components of the this policy framework. The main purpose are i) to reduce agent's uncertainty for the decision making process and ii) to ensure the central bank's transparency tend to be have conventional channels to deliver their decision plans to the public.

Moreover, the BoM has used one-week central banks' bill as the policy rate since 2007. By managing the policy rate, the BoM can influence on the expectations of the deposit rate and thus the lending rate of commercial banks. Policy rate movements are an indicator of the monetary policy direction (easing or tightening) and thus it is also main leading factor for interbank market rates. It means that the weighted average rate of interbank market trading is expected to be an approximately same level of the policy rate. Based on this correlation, when the economy have a high inflationary pressure the BoM increase policy rate intends to slow down the rapid growth of monetary and credit aggregates, to keep them at an optimal level and to avoid overheating. In contrast, when the economy faces difficulties on the economic growth, the BoM lower policy rate or the cost of money in order to support loans and spending, to recover the economy.

### **Standard policy activities**

According the [MongolBank \(2015\)](#), the BoM has been implementing the following standard money market operations since established date as similar as the most other country's central banks.

- **Central bank bill:** The main instrument of manage liquidity of the banking system. The two types of bills, CBB with maturity of 7 days and 28 days, are regularly auctioned with the commercial banks on the basis of reserve demand and supply. To maintain CBB rates consistent with market condition



and provide the means for equilibrating Togrog and foreign exchange returns, CBBs have been being auctioned three times a week since March, 2013.

- **Central bank financing:** In order to implement the monetary policy and manage the appropriate level of cash in the banking system the BoM uses intraday credit, overnight repo financing, repo trading and secured loan lending. These instruments are differentiated based on their tenor, interest rate and specification. All financing done by the BoM are collateral and included in the list of assets pledged by Risk Management Unit of the BoM.
- **Government bill:** In order to improve financial management of the Government and to diversify monetary policy instrument, Ministry of Finance and the BoM jointly passed the “Regulation of Government securities issuance and auction” in October 2012 and plans to introduce “Primary dealer system” on the government bonds market. The BoM believes that the introduction of the primary dealer system will significantly improve the liquidity of government securities and will increase the efficiency and competition of the entire market.
- **Foreign exchange market intervention:** The BoM has been persistent in pursuing a floating exchange rate regime that is consistent with macroeconomic fundamentals and supports Togrog’s stability and balanced development of the national economy. The BoM has been taking active participatory role in the domestic foreign exchange market through the foreign exchange auction, in order to mitigate fluctuations in the exchange rate arising from the changes of short term imbalance in foreign exchange supply and demand and to stabilize market participant’s expectation errors in the foreign exchange market. In order to improve efficiency of operational engagement in the domestic foreign exchange market, the BoM has activated FX Platform System.
- **Gold purchasing from domestic market:** The BoM purchase gold from

domestic gold miners and artisanal miners further to refine the gold at foreign refinery up to international standard level, and increase foreign exchange reserves.

### **Special policy activities**

The BoM and Government of Mongolia have been jointly implementing “The medium term price stabilization program” since October, 2012 in order to reduce supply driven inflation and to maintain low and stable inflation. This program has implemented to the private sector loans provided by commercial banks for mid-term period and consists of the following sub-programs:

- Food price stabilization subprogram: Prepare reserves and price stabilization on the strategic foods, like as meat, flour etc.
- Fuel retail price stabilization subprogram: To reduce retail price of fuel goods which are the main source of the inflation.
- Price stabilization and lowering costs of main importing goods subprogram
- Construction sector support and housing price stabilization subprogram: Support the domestic production of basic construction materials; to reduce seasonal supply importing construction materials; to encourage advanced and nature friendly construction technology.
- Accumulation of coal reserves and energy price stabilization subprogram

In general, the repayment of the loan and schedule are fixed or unchangeable in the contract between implementing private firms and commercial banks. To date, the most of these subprograms are terminated and the whole program tend to be finished by the end of 2016.

The result of this price stabilization program is not yet to be observable clearly, however, the BoM has been concluding that as a result of the program i) supply

driven inflation has been significantly reduced annual inflation by 3 percentage point within the last two years, ii) difficulties on balance-of-payments are eliminating by substantially reducing growing prices of meat, flour and retail gasoline, iii) the BoM provide more positive environment for inflation target at 7 percent. Moreover, in the mid-term, the market based efficient sustainable supply mechanism on the main consumer's goods would be established due to this program by promoting domestic producers for expanding production capacity for construction materials, for farming enterprises, entities which operate in food storage and warehouse. In addition, the program has played crucial role to prevent potential risk of unemployment, maintaining employment in these industrial sectors.

### **Empirical studies based on the DSGE modeling**

Studies on the Mongolian monetary policy that applied the DSGE modeling and the Bayesian technique are very rare. It is very difficult to access to reports of this kind studies due to the lack of official published journals and databases in Mongolia. However, we could obtain two of them.

[Dutu \(2012\)](#) is a report of project implemented in the Ministry of Finance of Mongolia. It builds a large-scale New Keynesian DSGE model of a SOE interacting with the rest of the world. The model's parameters are estimated via Bayesian techniques using seven quarterly Mongolian time series, three quarterly Chinese time series, and one quarterly commodity price index starting from 2001:Q2. In regarding with monetary policy rule, it assume that the BoM follows a Taylor-rule for deciding on the interest rate as in [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#).

[Bumchimeg et al. \(2014\)](#) represents the medium-run forecasting "GAP" model used for monetary policy analysis in the BoM. The main purpose of study is to explain calibrations of the model, impulse response analysis, and influences of shocks of the modified a New Keynesian structural model to the Mongolian economy. The model consists of 6 set of structural equations and one of them is an equation of

monetary policy rule. The assumption on the monetary policy rule is an almost same in [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#) that is the BoM reacts to the inflation deviation from its targeting rates, the output gap, and the nominal exchange rate changes when setting their policy rates.

An important result from this part is that to follow [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#) for determining the modified monetary policy rule satisfying the current Mongolian specifications may be a rationale.

### 3 A small open economy model

In this section we show how to derive the linear DSGE model in [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#) from the small open economy model in [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#). We estimate this model by using Mongolian data in the next section. We use model explanations in [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) without any changes, but we add some derivations of equations basing in [Bergholt \(2012\)](#).

The model has four sectors of households, firms, monetary authority and foreign economy. It assumes that the world economy consists of a continuum of small open economies represented by the unit interval. Every single economy has zero share of world economy, so its domestic policy decisions do not have any impact on the rest of the world. However, different economies are correlated through productivity shocks, and they have identical preferences, technology, and market structure. Notice that goods produced in home country denoted with subscript  $h$ , imported goods related variables denoted with subscript  $f$ , and foreign economy variables are denoted with superscript\*.

#### 3.1 Households

The domestic economy is inhabited by a representative household who attempts to maximize her lifetime utility

$$E_t \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right) \quad (1)$$

where  $N_t$  is labor hours and,  $C_t$  is a consumption bundle;  $\sigma$  is the inverse elasticity of inter-temporal substitution and  $\varphi$  is the inverse elasticity of labour supply to real wage.

The consumption bundle,  $C_t$  is defined as a composite consumption index defined

by a constant elasticity of substitution (CES) form,

$$C_t \equiv \left[ (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} + \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} \right]^{\frac{\eta}{\eta-1}} \quad (2)$$

where  $\eta$  is the elasticity of substitution of domestic goods to foreign goods, from the side of the domestic consumer;  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  is share of imported consumption goods and inverse related to the degree of home bias in preferences, and is thus a natural index of openness.  $C_{h,t}$  and  $C_{f,t}$  are indices of domestic goods and foreign goods, which both are given by the CES functions,

$$C_{h,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 C_{h,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}, \quad C_{f,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} di \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$$

where  $j \in [0, 1]$  denotes the good variety.  $C_{i,t}$  is, in turn, an index of the quantity of goods imported from country  $i$  and consumed by domestic households. It is given by an analogous CES function:

$$C_{i,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$$

where parameter  $\varepsilon > 1$  denotes the elasticity of substitution between varieties (produced within any given country).

Utility maximization problem of (1) subjects to a sequence of budget constraints of the form

$$\int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j) C_{h,t}(j) dj + \int_0^1 \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j) C_{i,t}(j) dj di + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1} D_{t+1}\} \leq D_t + W_t N_t + T_t \quad (3)$$

for all  $t$ . The domestic price on good  $j$  denoted  $P_{h,t}(j)$  while the price on good  $j$  imported from country  $i$  is denoted  $P_{i,t}(j)$ .  $D_{t+1}$  is the nominal payoff in period  $t+1$  from a portfolio held at the end of period  $t$ .  $Q_{t,t+1}$  is the stochastic discount factor for one-period forward nominal payoffs of the domestic household. The nominal

wage is denoted  $W_t$  while lump-sum transfers/taxes is denoted  $T_t$ . In here, domestic currency is a common measurement of these variables.

We assume that households can access completely to international financial markets and have a complete set of contingent claims. It implies that monetary policy can be specified in terms of an interest rate rule directly and indirectly. Thus, we do not need to introduce money explicitly in either the utility function or budget constraint.

In order to use the budget constraint to maximization problem, first we need to determine the demand functions based on the optimal allocation of any given expenditure within each category as follows<sup>4</sup>. The optimal demand for home good  $j$ :

$$C_{h,t}(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} \quad (4)$$

In a similar way, the aggregate price index for imported goods from country  $i$  is given by:

$$P_{i,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$$

The optimal consumption of good  $j$  imported from country  $i$  is given by:

$$C_{i,t}(j) = \left( \frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{i,t} \quad (5)$$

The aggregate price index for all imported goods is given by:

$$P_{f,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}}$$

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<sup>4</sup>The details are in the Appendix 2.

The optimal basket of import consumption from country  $i$  is:

$$C_{i,t} = \left( \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}} \right)^{-\gamma} C_{f,t} \quad (6)$$

Finally, the aggregate consumption price index (CPI) in the home country is given by:

$$P_t \equiv [(1 - \alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]^{\frac{1}{1-\eta}}$$

It follows from (4) - (6) that<sup>5</sup>

$$\int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)C_{h,t}(j)dj = P_{h,t}C_{h,t}; \quad \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)C_{i,t}(j)dj = P_{i,t}C_{i,t}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 P_{i,t}C_{i,t}di = P_{f,t}C_{f,t}.$$

By analogously, the optimal allocation of expenditures between domestic and imported goods is determined by

$$C_{h,t} = (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t; \quad C_{f,t} = \alpha \left( \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \quad (7)$$

Notice that, when the price indexes for domestic and foreign goods are equal (as in the steady state described below), parameter  $\alpha$  corresponds to the share of domestic consumption allocated to imported goods. It is also in this sense that  $\alpha$  represents a natural index of openness.

It follows from (7) and the given CPI definition that

$$P_{h,t}C_{h,t} = (1 - \alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta}P_t^\eta C_t; \quad P_{f,t}C_{f,t} = \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}P_t^\eta C_t$$

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<sup>5</sup>The details are in the Appendix 2.



$$\begin{aligned}
P_{h,t}C_{h,t} + P_{f,t}C_{f,t} &= (1 - \alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta}P_t^\eta C_t + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}P_t^\eta C_t \\
&= P_t^\eta C_t \underbrace{[(1 - \alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]}_{=P_t^{1-\eta}} \\
&= P_t^\eta C_t P_t^{1-\eta} = P_t C_t
\end{aligned}$$

If we combine above results into the period budget constraint definition we have

$$\begin{aligned}
D_t + W_t N_t + T_t &\geq \underbrace{\int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)C_{h,t}(j)dj}_{=P_{h,t}C_{h,t}} + \int_0^1 di \underbrace{\int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)C_{i,t}(j)dj}_{=P_{i,t}C_{i,t}} + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\} \\
&\geq P_{h,t}C_{h,t} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 P_{i,t}C_{i,t}di}_{=P_{f,t}C_{f,t}} + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\} \\
&\geq P_{h,t}C_{h,t} + P_{f,t}C_{f,t} + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\} \\
&\geq P_t C_t + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\}
\end{aligned}$$

Then, the aggregated household maximization problem becomes

$$E_t \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right)$$

such that

$$P_t C_t + E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\} \leq D_t + W_t N_t + T_t \quad (8)$$

The corresponding Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L} = \max_{C_t, N_t, D_{t+1}} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left[ \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right) + \lambda_t (D_t + W_t N_t + T_t - P_t C_t - E_t \{Q_{t,t+1}D_{t+1}\}) \right]$$

The FOC s are

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial C_t} = C_t^{-\sigma} - \lambda_t P_t = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{C_t^{-\sigma}}{P_t} = \lambda_t$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial N_t} = -N_t^\varphi + \lambda_t W_t = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{N_t^\varphi}{W_t} = \lambda_t$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial D_{t+1}} = -\lambda_t Q_{t,t+1} + \beta \lambda_{t+1} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_t Q_{t,t+1} = \beta \lambda_{t+1}$$

Then, the optimality conditions for the household's problem become

$$\frac{C_t^{-\sigma}}{P_t} = \frac{N_t^\varphi}{W_t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_t^\sigma N_t^\varphi = \frac{W_t}{P_t} \quad (9)$$

which is a standard intra-temporal optimality condition, and

$$\frac{C_t^{-\sigma}}{P_t} = \lambda_t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_{t+1} = \frac{C_{t+1}^{-\sigma}}{P_{t+1}}$$

$$\lambda_t Q_{t,t+1} = \beta \lambda_{t+1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{C_t^{-\sigma}}{P_t} Q_{t,t+1} = \beta \frac{C_{t+1}^{-\sigma}}{P_{t+1}}$$

$$\beta \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) = Q_{t,t+1} \quad (10)$$

Taking conditional expectations on both sides of (10) and rearranging terms, we obtain a conventional stochastic Euler equation,

$$\beta R_t E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right\} = 1 \quad (11)$$

where  $R_t = \frac{1}{E_t\{Q_{t,t+1}\}}$  is the gross yield on a risk-less one-period bond paying off one unit of domestic currency in  $t + 1$  (with  $E_t\{Q_{t,t+1}\}$  being its price).

Then (9) and (11) can be respectively written in log-linear form as<sup>6</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned} w_t - p_t &= \sigma c_t + \varphi n_t \\ c_t &= E_t\{c_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\} - \rho) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where lower case letters denote the logs of the respective variables,  $\rho = -\ln \beta$ , which is the usual definition of the time discount rate, and  $\pi_t \equiv p_t - p_{t-1}$  is CPI inflation (with  $p_t \equiv \ln P_t$ ). The nominal interest rate (NIR) is defined here as  $r_t = \ln(R_t) = -\ln(E_t\{Q_{t,t+1}\})$ .

## 3.2 The inflation, the exchange rate, and the terms of trade

### 3.2.1 The terms of trade

Bilateral terms of trade between the domestic economy and country  $i$  is defined as the price of country  $i$ 's goods in terms of home goods:

$$\mathcal{S}_{i,t} = \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{h,t}}$$

The effective terms of trade are thus given by:

$$\mathcal{S}_t \equiv \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_{h,t}} = \frac{\left(\int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}}}{P_{h,t}} = \left(\int_0^1 \left(\frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{h,t}}\right)^{1-\gamma} di\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} = \left(\int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} \quad (13)$$

A first-order approximation around a symmetric steady state satisfying  $\mathcal{S}_{i,t} = \mathcal{S}_i = 1$  for  $\forall i$  gives us:

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<sup>6</sup>The details are in the Appendix 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{S}_t &\approx \left( \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_i^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} + \frac{1}{(1-\gamma)} \left( \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_i^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \left( \int_0^1 (1-\gamma) \mathcal{S}_i^{-\gamma} (\mathcal{S}_{i,t} - \mathcal{S}_i) di \right) \\
&\approx 1 + \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_{i,t} - 1) di \\
&\approx \mathcal{X} + \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_{i,t} di - \mathcal{X} \\
&\approx \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_{i,t} di
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow s_t = p_{f,t} - p_{h,t} &\approx \ln \left( \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}_{i,t} di \right) \\
&\approx \int_0^1 s_{i,t} di
\end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

where  $s_t \equiv p_{f,t} - p_{h,t}$  denotes the log-linear effective terms of trade, i.e. the price of foreign goods in terms of home goods.

### 3.2.2 Domestic and CPI inflation

If we describe the log-linear form of the CPI around the same symmetric steady state satisfying the PPP condition  $P_{h,t} = P_{f,t} = P$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_t &\equiv \left[ (1-\alpha) P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\eta}} \\
&\approx \left[ (1-\alpha) P^{1-\eta} + \alpha P^{1-\eta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\eta}} + \frac{1}{1-\eta} \left[ (1-\alpha) P^{1-\eta} + \alpha P^{1-\eta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\eta}-1} \times \\
&\quad \times \left[ (1-\alpha) (1-\eta) P^{-\eta} (P_{h,t} - P) + \alpha (1-\eta) P^{-\eta} (P_{f,t} - P) \right] \\
&\approx P + P^\eta \left[ (1-\alpha) P^{-\eta} (P_{h,t} - P) + \alpha P^{-\eta} (P_{f,t} - P) \right] \\
P_t - P &\approx \left[ (1-\alpha) (P_{h,t} - P) + \alpha (P_{f,t} - P) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \frac{P_t - P}{P} &= (1 - \alpha) \frac{P_{h,t} - P}{P} + \alpha \frac{P_{f,t} - P}{P} \\
p_t - p &= (1 - \alpha)(p_{h,t} - p) + \alpha(p_{f,t} - p) \\
p_t - p &= (1 - \alpha)p_{h,t} + \alpha p_{f,t} - p(1 - \alpha + \alpha) \\
p_t - p &= (1 - \alpha)p_{h,t} + \alpha p_{f,t} - p
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
p_t &\equiv (1 - \alpha)p_{h,t} + \alpha p_{f,t} \\
&= p_{h,t} + \alpha s_t
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Domestic inflation is defined as the rate of change in the index of domestic goods prices:

$$\pi_{h,t} \equiv p_{h,t} - p_{h,t-1}$$

Thus, using (15) CPI inflation is given by:

$$\pi_t = \pi_{h,t} + \alpha \Delta s_t \tag{16}$$

It shows that the difference between domestic inflation and CPI inflation is proportional to the percentage change in ToT and the index of openness  $\alpha$  (the coefficient of proportionality).

### 3.2.3 The nominal and real exchange rate (RER)

Define  $\mathcal{E}_{i,t}$  as the bilateral NER, i.e. the price of country  $i$ 's currency in terms of domestic currency and  $P_{i,t}^i(j)$  is the price of country  $i$ 's good  $j$  expressed in the producer's (i.e. country  $i$ 's) currency. Thus,  $\mathcal{E}_{i,t}$  measures how many domestic currency units one country  $i$ 's currency unit is worth. Assume that the law of one price holds for individual goods at all times for both import and export prices. Thus,

for all goods  $j \in [0, 1]$  in every country  $i \in [0, 1]$ :

$$P_{i,t}(j) = \mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{i,t}^i(j)$$

where  $P_{i,t}^i \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^i(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$  is defined as the aggregate price level in country  $i$  in terms of country  $i$  currency, i.e. country  $i$ 's domestic price index.

Aggregation across all goods using a price index for goods imported from country  $i$ :  $P_{i,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$  gives:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{i,t} &= \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \\ &= \left[ \int_0^1 (\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{i,t}^i(j))^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} = \left[ \mathcal{E}_{i,t}^{1-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^i(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \\ &= \mathcal{E}_{i,t} \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^i(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \\ &= \mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{i,t}^i \end{aligned}$$

In turn, by substituting into the definition of  $P_{f,t}$  and transforming in log-linear form around the symmetric steady state,  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $P^i$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P_{f,t} &= \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} = \left( \int_0^1 (\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{i,t}^i)^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} \\ &\approx \left( \int_0^1 (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} + \frac{1}{(1-\gamma)} \left( \int_0^1 (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \times \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_0^1 (1-\gamma) \left[ (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{-\gamma} P^i (\mathcal{E}_{i,t} - \mathcal{E}) + (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{-\gamma} \mathcal{E} (P_{i,t}^i - P^i) \right] di \right) \\ &\approx \mathcal{E} P^i + (\mathcal{E} P^i)^\gamma \left( \int_0^1 (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{1-\gamma} \left[ \frac{(\mathcal{E}_{i,t} - \mathcal{E})}{\mathcal{E}} + \frac{(P_{i,t}^i - P^i)}{P^i} \right] di \right) \\ &\approx \mathcal{E} P^i + (\mathcal{E} P^i)^\gamma (\mathcal{E} P^i)^{1-\gamma} \left( \int_0^1 [e_{i,t} - e + p_{i,t} - p^i] di \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{P_{f,t}^* - \mathcal{E}P^i}{\mathcal{E}P^i} &\approx \left( \int_0^1 [e_{i,t} - e + p_{i,t} - p^i] di \right) \\
p_{f,t} - \phi - \not{p}^i &\approx \int_0^1 (e_{i,t} + p_{i,t}) di - \phi - \not{p}^i \\
p_{f,t} &\approx \int_0^1 (e_{i,t} + p_{i,t}^i) di = \int_0^1 e_{i,t} di + \int_0^1 p_{i,t}^i di \\
&\approx e_t + p_t^*
\end{aligned}$$

where  $e_t \equiv \int_0^1 e_{i,t} di$  is the (log) nominal effective exchange rate,  $p_{i,t}^i \equiv \int_0^1 p_{i,t}^i(j) dj$  is the (log) domestic price index for country  $i$  (expressed in terms of its currency), and  $p_t^* \equiv \int_0^1 p_{i,t}^i di$  is the (log) world price index. Notice that for the world as a whole there is no distinction between CPI and domestic price level, nor for their corresponding inflation rates.

Combining the previous result with the definition of the terms of trade we obtain the relationship between home and world price:

$$s_t = e_t + p_t^* - p_{h,t} \quad (17)$$

Next, we derive a relationship between the ToT and the RER. Define the bilateral RER with country  $i$  as  $\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_t^i}{P_t}$ , i.e. the ratio of the two countries' CPIs, both expressed in domestic currency. Let  $q_t \equiv \int_0^1 q_{i,t} di$  be the (log) effective RER, where  $q_{i,t} \equiv \ln \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
q_t &= \int_0^1 (e_{i,t} + p_t^i - p_t) di \\
&= e_t + p_t^* - p_t \\
&= s_t + p_{h,t} - p_t \\
&= (1 - \alpha) s_t
\end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where the last equality holds only up to a first order approximation when  $\eta \neq 1$ .

### 3.3 International financial market

#### 3.3.1 International risk sharing

Under the assumption of complete securities markets for securities traded internationally, a condition analogous to (10) must also hold for the representative household in any other country, say country  $i$ :

$$1 = \beta E_t \left\{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_t^i} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t^i}{P_{t+1}^i} \right) \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_t^i}{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}^i} \right) \right\} \quad (19)$$

Divide (10) by (19) and solve for  $C_t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \frac{\beta E_t \left\{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right\}}{\beta E_t \left\{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_t^i} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t^i}{P_{t+1}^i} \right) \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_t^i}{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}^i} \right) \right\}} = \frac{E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right\}}{E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_t^i} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t^i}{P_{t+1}^i} \right) \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_t^i}{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}^i} \right) \right\}} \\ &= E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_t^i} \right)^\sigma \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}^i P_{t+1}^i}{\mathcal{E}_t^i P_t^i} \right\} \\ &\Rightarrow C_t^{-\sigma} = E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_{t+1}} \right)^\sigma (C_t^i)^{-\sigma} \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}^i P_{t+1}^i}{\mathcal{E}_t^i P_t^i} \right\} = E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_{t+1}} \right)^\sigma (C_t^i)^{-\sigma} \frac{\mathcal{Q}_{t+1}^i}{\mathcal{Q}_t^i} \right\} \\ &\Rightarrow C_t = E_t \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{t+1}^i}{C_{t+1}} \right)^\sigma (C_t^i)^{-\sigma} \frac{\mathcal{Q}_{t+1}^i}{\mathcal{Q}_t^i} \right\}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}} = E_t \left\{ \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_{t+1}^i} C_t^i (\mathcal{Q}_{t+1}^i)^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}} (\mathcal{Q}_t^i)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}} \right\} \\ &= E_t \left\{ \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_{t+1}^i (\mathcal{Q}_{t+1}^i)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}}} \right\} C_t^i (\mathcal{Q}_t^i)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}} \\ &C_t = \vartheta^i C_t^i \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\sigma}} \quad (20) \end{aligned}$$



for all  $t$ .  $\vartheta_i = E_t \left\{ \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_{t+1}^i (Q_{t+1}^i)^{\frac{1}{\sigma}}} \right\}$  is some constant which will generally depend on initial conditions regarding relative net asset positions. For simplicity and generality, we assume that there is symmetric initial conditions, for example zero net foreign assets and same expected conditions. This implies  $\vartheta_i = \vartheta = 1$  for all  $i$ . Then, if we take logs on both sides of (20) we have:

$$c_t = c_t^i + \frac{1}{\sigma} q_{i,t} \quad (21)$$

Equation (21) is determined at the household level. Note that world consumption is given by  $c^* \equiv \int_0^1 c_t^i di$ . Integrating (21) over all  $i$  and using  $q_t \equiv \int_0^1 q_{i,t} di$  and (18) yields:

$$\begin{aligned} c_t &= \int_0^1 \left( c_t^i + \frac{1}{\sigma} q_{i,t} \right) di = c_t^* + \frac{1}{\sigma} q_t \\ &= c_t^* + \left( \frac{1 - \alpha}{\sigma} \right) s_t \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

This equation express the relationship between domestic and world consumption by the ToT under an assumption of complete markets at the international level. It shows that if the ToT increases which means that domestic price to world price decreases, domestic consumption would be increased.

### 3.3.2 Uncovered interest parity (UIP) and the ToT

Allow households to invest both in domestic and foreign bonds;  $B_t$  and  $B_t^*$ . The budget constraint may be written as:

$$P_t C_t + Q_{t,t+1} B_{t+1} + Q_{t,t+1}^* \mathcal{E}_{t+1} B_{t+1}^* \leq B_t + \mathcal{E}_t B_t^* + W_t N_t + T_t$$

The optimality conditions with respect to these assets are:

$$1 = \beta E_t \left\{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right\} \quad (23)$$

$$1 = \beta E_t \left\{ (Q_{t,t+1}^*)^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}}{\mathcal{E}_t} \right) \right\} \quad (24)$$

Divide (23) by (24) to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \frac{\cancel{\beta E_t \left\{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \right\}}}{\cancel{\beta E_t \left\{ (Q_{t,t+1}^*)^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right) \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}}{\mathcal{E}_t} \right) \right\}}} = \frac{E_t \{ Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \}}{E_t \left\{ (Q_{t,t+1}^*)^{-1} \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}}{\mathcal{E}_t} \right\}} \\ &= E_t \left\{ \frac{Q_{t,t+1}^* \mathcal{E}_t}{Q_{t,t+1} \mathcal{E}_{t+1}} \right\} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{E_t \{ Q_{t,t+1}^* \}}{E_t \{ Q_{t,t+1} \}} = E_t \left\{ \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}}{\mathcal{E}_t} \right\} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{R_t}{R_t^*} = E_t \left\{ \frac{\mathcal{E}_{t+1}}{\mathcal{E}_t} \right\}, \text{ where } R_t = \frac{1}{E_t \{ Q_{t,t+1} \}} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Transforming to the log-linear form of (25) gives:

$$r_t - r_t^* = E_t \{ e_{t+1} - e_t \} = E_t \{ \Delta e_{t+1} \} \quad (26)$$

Now, from (17) we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} E_t s_{t+1} - s_t &= E_t e_{t+1} - e_t + E_t p_{t+1}^* - p_t^* - E_t p_{h,t+1} + p_{h,t} \\ &= E_t \{ \Delta e_{t+1} \} + E_t \{ \Delta \pi_{t+1}^* \} - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} \\ \Rightarrow s_t &= -E_t \{ \Delta e_{t+1} \} - E_t \{ \Delta \pi_{t+1}^* \} + E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} + E_t \{ s_{t+1} \} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, using (26) we get the following stochastic difference equation:

$$s_t = (r_t^* - E_t \{\pi_{t+1}^*\}) - (r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\}) + E_t \{s_{t+1}\} \quad (27)$$

Given that the terms of trade are pinned down uniquely in the perfect foresight steady state, and given the assumptions of stationarity in the models driving forces and unit relative prices in steady state, it follows that  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} E_t \{s_T\} = 0$ . Hence, (27) can be solved forward to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} s_t &= (r_t^* - E_t \{\pi_{t+1}^*\}) - (r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\}) + E_t \{s_{t+1}\} + \\ &\quad + E_t \{(r_{t+1}^* - E_t \{\pi_{t+2}^*\}) - (r_{t+1} - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+2}\}) + (r_{t+2}^* - E_t \{\pi_{t+3}^*\}) - \\ &\quad - (r_{t+2} - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+3}\}) + \dots\} \\ &\Rightarrow s_t = E_t \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [(r_{t+k}^* - \pi_{t+k+1}^*) - (r_{t+k} - \pi_{h,t+k+1})] \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Equation (28) expresses the terms of trade as the expected sum of real interest rate (RIR) differentials between the world market and the home market.

## 3.4 Firms

### 3.4.1 Technology

A domestic firm produces a differentiated good with a linear technology represented by the production function

$$Y_t(j) = A_t N_t(j) \quad (29)$$

where  $j \in [0, 1]$  is a firm-specific index and  $a_t \equiv \ln A_t$  follows the  $AR(1)$  process  $a_t = \rho_1 a_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{a,t}$ . The real marginal cost (expressed in terms of domestic prices)

will be common across domestic firms and defined by:<sup>7</sup>

$$mc_t = -\nu + w_t - p_{h,t} - a_t \quad (30)$$

where  $\nu \equiv \ln(1 - \tau)$ , with  $\tau = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$  being an employment subsidy.

Let  $Y_t \equiv \left[ \int_0^1 Y_t(j)^{1-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$  represent an index for aggregate domestic output, analogous to the one introduced for consumption. If we assume that the market clearing in the labor market, we have

$$N_t \equiv \int_0^1 N_t(j) dj$$

In order to find the approximate aggregate production function we will rearrange the production function as follows:

$$Y_t(j) = A_t N_t(j) \quad \Rightarrow \quad N_t(j) = \frac{Y_t(j)}{A_t}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} N_t &= \int_0^1 N_t(j) dj = \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{A_t} dj = \frac{1}{A_t} \int_0^1 Y_t(j) dj \\ &= \frac{Y_t}{A_t} \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj = \frac{Y_t Z_t}{A_t} \end{aligned}$$

where  $Z_t \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj$ . Thus,

$$Y_t = \frac{A_t N_t}{Z_t}$$

and the log-linear form becomes:

$$y_t = a_t + n_t - z_t$$

where  $z_t = \ln \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj$ .

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<sup>7</sup>The details are in the Appendix 2.

In the Appendix 2, we showed that  $z_t \approx 0$  because  $Z_t \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj \approx 1$  up to a first-order approximation around  $P_{h,t}(j) = P_{h,t}$ . Thus, the above log-linear aggregate production function becomes:

$$y_t = a_t + n_t \tag{31}$$

### 3.4.2 Price-setting

Following staggered price setup in [Calvo \(1983\)](#), define  $\theta$  the probability for a firm of keeping the price fixed and  $(1 - \theta)$  the probability for a firm of changing the price. In other words, in each period there is a constant probability  $(1 - \theta)$  that the firm will be able to adjust its price, independently of past history. Since we assume a continuum of firms of measure one, by the law of large numbers it follows that the fraction of retailers setting their price at  $t$  is  $(1 - \theta)$ . Thus, only a fraction of firms is setting its price at a certain period in time allowing for inflation dynamics.

We use Appendix B of [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) and home firm's optimal price is determined by the following rule:

$$\bar{p}_{h,t} = \mu + (1 - \beta\theta) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\beta\theta)^k E_t \{ mc_{t+k}^n \} \tag{32}$$

for all  $t$ .  $\bar{p}_{h,t}$  denotes the (log) of newly set domestic prices, and  $\mu \equiv \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}\right)$  is the log of the steady state mark-up.

We can see from (32) that firms will set price that corresponds to the desired mark-up plus a weighted average of their current and expected nominal marginal costs, with the weights being proportional to the probability of the price remaining effective at each horizon  $\theta^k$ .

## 3.5 Market equilibrium

### 3.5.1 Demand side: Aggregate demand and output

Market clearing for good  $j$  in the home economy implies:

$$Y_t(j) = C_{h,t}(j) + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i(j) di \quad (33)$$

The supply of domestically produced good  $j$  is denoted  $Y_t(j)$ , the domestic demand is denoted  $C_{h,t}(j)$ , and country  $i$ 's demand for good  $j$  produced in the home economy is denoted  $C_{h,t}^i(j)$  for all  $j \in [0, 1]$  and all  $t$ . Due to the nested structure one can express demand in sub-markets in terms of total demand by combining all demand functions from each level. For instance, insert (7) into (4) and get:

$$C_{h,t}(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} = (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \quad (34)$$

Furthermore, the demand for domestically produced good  $j$  in country  $i$  is expressed by nesting up across different demand layers in country  $i$ . First, note that the consumption of domestically produced good  $j$  in country  $i$  is a function of country  $i$ 's consumption of goods produced in the home economy, given as in (4):

$$C_{h,t}^i(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t}^i$$

Second, note that country  $i$ 's consumption of goods produced in the home economy is a function of country  $i$ 's consumption of foreign goods, given as in (6):

$$C_{h,t}^i = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} C_{f,t}^i$$

Third, note that consumption of imported goods in country  $i$  is a function of

total consumption in that country, given as in (7):

$$C_{f,t}^i = \alpha \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i$$

Combining all these yields the demand for domestically produced good  $j$  in country  $i$  as a function of total consumption in that country:

$$C_{h,t}^i(j) = \alpha \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i \quad (35)$$

Thus, we can insert (34) and (35) into (33) and get another form of domestic supply of goods  $j$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t(j) &= (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \int_0^1 \alpha \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left[ (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Plugging (36) into the definition of aggregate domestic output  $Y_t \equiv \left[ \int_0^1 Y_t(j)^{1-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$ , we obtain<sup>8</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= (1 - \alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} \left[ (1 - \alpha) C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^\eta C_t^i di \right] \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \left[ (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_t^i \mathcal{S}_{i,t})^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right] \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

where the last equality follows from (20), and where  $(\mathcal{S}_t^i)$  denotes the effective terms of trade of country  $i$ , while  $\mathcal{S}_{i,t}$  denotes the bilateral terms of trade between the home

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<sup>8</sup>The details are in the Appendix 2.

economy and foreign country  $i$ . Notice that in the particular case of  $\sigma = \eta = \gamma = 1$  the previous condition can be written exactly as

$$Y_t = C_t \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha \quad (38)$$

More generally, and recalling that  $\int_0^1 s_t^i di = 0$ , we can derive the following first order log-linear approximation to (37) around the symmetric steady state:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= c_t + \alpha\gamma s_t + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q_t \\ &= c_t + \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

where  $\omega \equiv \sigma\gamma + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1)$ . Notice that  $\sigma = \eta = \gamma = 1$  implies  $\omega = 1$ .

A condition analogous to the one above will hold for all countries. Thus, for a generic country  $i$  it can be rewritten as  $y_t^i = c_t^i + \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t^i$ . By aggregating over all countries we can derive a world market clearing condition as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t^* &\equiv \int_0^1 y_t^i di \\ &= \int_0^1 c_t^i di + \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} \int_0^1 s_t^i di \\ &= \int_0^1 c_t^i di = c_t^* \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

where  $y_t^*$  and  $c_t^*$  are indexes for world output and consumption (in log terms), and where the main equality follows, once again, from the fact that  $\int_0^1 s_t^i di = 0$ .

Combining (39) with (21) and (40), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= c_t^* + \frac{1 - \alpha}{\sigma} s_t + \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t = y_t^* + \frac{1 - \alpha + \alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t \\ &= y_t^* + \frac{(1 - \alpha) + \alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t \\ &= y_t^* + \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} s_t \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$



where  $\sigma_\alpha \equiv \frac{\sigma}{1+\alpha(\omega-1)} > 0$ .

Finally, combining (39) with Euler equation (12), we get

$$\begin{aligned} y_t - \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma}s_t &= E_t \left\{ y_{t+1} - \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma}s_{t+1} \right\} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} - \rho) \\ y_t &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma}E_t \{ \Delta s_{t+1} \} \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

This IS equation is similar to the one in a closed economy except that now there is an additional term linking domestic output to the international environment. An alternative representation including domestic goods inflation is found by inserting (15) into (42):

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} + \alpha\Delta s_{t+1} \} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma}E_t \{ \Delta s_{t+1} \} \\ &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha(\omega-1)}{\sigma}E_t \{ \Delta s_{t+1} \} \\ &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha\Theta}{\sigma}E_t \{ \Delta s_{t+1} \} \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

where  $\Theta \equiv (\sigma\gamma - 1) + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1) = \omega - 1$ .

Inserting  $s_t$  from (41) into (43) we get:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha\Theta}{\sigma}\sigma_\alpha E_t \{ (y_{t+1} - y_{t+1}^*) - (y_t - y_t^*) \} \\ &= \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma} \right) E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho) + \frac{\alpha\Theta}{\sigma}\sigma_\alpha E_t \{ \Delta y_{t+1}^* \} + \frac{\alpha\Theta}{\sigma}\sigma_\alpha y_t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma} \right) y_t &= \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma} \right) E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma}(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho) + \frac{\alpha\Theta}{\sigma}\sigma_\alpha E_t \{ \Delta y_{t+1}^* \} \\ y_t &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho)}{\left( 1 - \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma} \right) \sigma} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{ \Delta y_{t+1}^* \}}{\left( 1 - \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma} \right) \sigma} \\ &= E_t \{ y_{t+1} \} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} - \rho)}{(\sigma - \alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha)} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{ \Delta y_{t+1}^* \}}{(\sigma - \alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

Use  $\Theta = \omega - 1$  and  $\sigma_\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{1+\alpha(\omega-1)}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
y_t &= E_t \{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho)}{\left(\sigma - \alpha(\omega - 1)\frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}}{\left(\sigma - \alpha(\omega - 1)\frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} \\
&= E_t \{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\}) - \rho}{\left(\frac{[1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)]\sigma - \alpha(\omega - 1)\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}}{\left(\frac{[1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)]\sigma - \alpha(\omega - 1)\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} \\
&= E_t \{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\}) - \rho}{\left(\frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}}{\left(\frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)}\right)} \\
&= E_t \{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{(r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\}) - \rho}{\sigma_\alpha} + \frac{\alpha\Theta\sigma_\alpha E_t \{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}}{\sigma_\alpha} \\
&= E_t \{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t \{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t \{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \tag{44}
\end{aligned}$$

The expectation of the world output growth in one period forward,  $E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}$ , is exogenous to domestic allocations. In general, the degree of openness  $\alpha$  influences the responsibility of output to any given change in the domestic real rate  $r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\}$ . Also note from (43) that if  $\Theta \equiv \omega - 1 > 0$  (i.e. if  $\gamma$  and  $\eta$  are sufficiently high) we have that  $\sigma_\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{1+\alpha(\omega-1)} < \sigma$ , and output is more responsible to real rate changes than in the closed economy case.

### 3.5.2 The trade balance

Next, we can define net exports  $nx_t$  as the difference between total domestic production and total domestic consumption, relative to steady state output  $Y$ :

$$nx_t \equiv \left(\frac{1}{Y}\right) \left(Y_t - \frac{P_t}{P_{h,t}} C_t\right) \tag{45}$$

A first-order approximation around a symmetric steady state with price level  $P_t = P_{h,t} = P$  and output level  $Y_t = C_t = Y$ , i.e. zero net export, yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
nx_t &\approx \frac{1}{Y} \left( Y - \frac{P}{P} Y \right) + \frac{1}{Y} \left[ (Y_t - Y) - \frac{P}{P} (C_t - C) - \frac{1}{P} C (P_t - P) + \frac{1}{P^2} PC (P_{h,t} - P) \right] \\
&= \frac{Y_t - Y}{Y} - \frac{C_t - C}{Y} - \frac{P_t - P}{P} + \frac{P_{h,t} - P}{P} \\
&= (y_t - \bar{y}) - (c_t - \bar{c}) - (p_t - \bar{p}) + (p_{h,t} - \bar{p}) = y_t - c_t - p_t + p_{h,t} \\
&= y_t - c_t - \alpha s_t \text{ (using 15)}
\end{aligned}$$

which combined with (39) implies:

$$\begin{cases} nx_t = y_t - c_t - \alpha s_t \\ y_t = c_t + \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t \end{cases} \Rightarrow nx_t = \frac{\alpha\omega}{\sigma} s_t - \alpha s_t$$

$$\Rightarrow nx_t = \alpha \left( \frac{\omega}{\sigma} - 1 \right) s_t \tag{46}$$

Again, in the special case of  $\sigma = \eta = \gamma = 1$  we have  $nx_t = 0$  for all  $t$ , though the later property will also hold for any configuration of those parameters satisfying  $\sigma(\gamma - 1) + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1) = 0$ . More generally, the sign of the relationship between the terms of trade and net exports is ambiguous, depending on the relative size of  $\sigma$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\eta$ .

### 3.5.3 The supply side: Marginal cost and inflation dynamics

From the Appendix B of [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#), we can see that the dynamics of domestic inflation in terms of real marginal cost are given as follows:

$$\pi_{h,t} = \beta E_t \{ \pi_{h,t+1} \} + \lambda \widehat{m}c_t \tag{47}$$

where  $\lambda \equiv \frac{(1-\beta\theta)(1-\theta)}{\theta}$ .

The real marginal cost is determined in our model as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
mc_t &= -\nu + (w_t - p_{h,t}) - a_t \\
&= -\nu + (w_t - p_t) + (p_t - p_{h,t}) - a_t \\
&= -\nu + \sigma c_t + \varphi n_t + \alpha s_t - a_t \\
&= -\nu + \sigma y_t^* + \varphi y_t + s_t - (1 + \varphi)a_t
\end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

where (31) and (22) are used in the derivation.

An economy becomes an open implies that world prices and output have begun to influence home variables. As we can see from the equation, the ToT (home price relative to world price) and world output will increase home real marginal cost. Moreover, these two foreign variables influence on the home consumption and consequently, home labor supply will be changed and so will the real wage. Technology and home output have similar influences as in the closed economy, technology has a direct impact on labor productivity while home output level determines employment and the real wage.

Finally, using (41) to substitute for  $s_t$ , we can rearrange the previous expression in terms of the domestic output, world output, and technology:

$$mc_t = -\nu + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* - (1 + \varphi)a_t \tag{49}$$

Notice that in the special cases  $\alpha = 0$  and/or  $\sigma = \eta = \gamma = 1$ , which imply  $\sigma = \sigma_\alpha$ , the domestic real marginal cost is completely insulated from movements in foreign output.

### 3.5.4 Equilibrium dynamics: the NKPC and the DIS

In this section we show that the linearized equilibrium dynamics for the small open economy have a representation in terms of output gap and domestic inflation dy-

namics. That representation, which we refer to as the canonical one, has provided the basis for the analysis and evaluation of alternative policy rules.

First, we define the domestic output gap  $x_t$  as the deviation of (log) domestic output  $y_t$  from its natural level  $y_t^n$ , where the latter is in turn defined as the equilibrium level of output in the absence of nominal rigidities (and conditional on world output  $y_t^*$ ). Formally,

$$x_t \equiv y_t - y_t^n \quad (50)$$

The domestic natural level of output can be found after imposing  $mc_t = -\mu$  for all  $t$  and solving for domestic output in equation (49):

$$-\mu = -\nu + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t^n + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* - (1 + \varphi)a_t \quad (51)$$

Solve this for  $y_t^n$  and use that  $\sigma_\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha\Theta}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t^n &= \nu - \mu + (1 + \varphi)a_t - (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* \\ y_t^n &= \frac{\nu - \mu}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} + \frac{1 + \varphi}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi}a_t - \frac{\sigma - \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha\Theta}}{(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)}y_t^* \\ &= \frac{\nu - \mu}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} + \frac{1 + \varphi}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi}a_t - \frac{\alpha\Theta \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha\Theta}}{(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)}y_t^* \\ &= \frac{\nu - \mu}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} + \frac{1 + \varphi}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi}a_t - \alpha \frac{\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)}y_t^* \\ &\Rightarrow y_t^n = \Omega + \Gamma a_t + \alpha\Psi y_t^* \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

where  $\Omega \equiv \frac{\nu - \mu}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi}$ ,  $\Gamma \equiv \frac{1 + \varphi}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} > 0$ , and  $\Psi \equiv -\frac{\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi}$ .

Second, if we subtract (51) from (49) gets the real marginal cost gap as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\widehat{mc}_t &= -\nu + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* - (1 + \varphi)a_t - \\
&\quad - [-\nu + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t^n + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* - (1 + \varphi)a_t] \\
&= (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)(y_t - y_t^n) \\
&\Rightarrow \widehat{mc}_t = (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)x_t
\end{aligned}$$

which we can combine with (47) to derive a version of the NKPC for the small open economy in terms of the output gap:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi_{h,t} &= \beta E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} + \lambda(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)x_t \\
&= \beta E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} + \kappa_\alpha x_t
\end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

where  $\kappa_\alpha \equiv \lambda(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)$ . Note that (53) nests the special case of a closed economy because  $\alpha = 0$  implies that  $\sigma_\alpha = \sigma$  (or  $\sigma = \eta = \gamma = 1$ ) and then the slope coefficient is given by  $\lambda(\sigma + \varphi)$  as in the standard, closed economy NKPC. In general, the relation between the degree of openness parameter  $\alpha$ , an increase in the output gap, and domestic inflation, depends on the sign on  $\Theta$  because  $\sigma_\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{1+\alpha\Theta}$ . If  $\Theta > 0$  (i.e. if  $\eta$  and  $\gamma$  are sufficiently high), an increase in the openness will make domestic inflation less responsive to change in the output gap. On the other hand, if  $\Theta < 0$ , then more openness will make domestic inflation more responsive to output gap changes.

To derive the open economy DIS we define the RIR as

$$rr_t = r_t - E_t\pi_{h,t+1}$$

Then, IS equation given in (44) can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \\ &= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (rr_t - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \end{aligned}$$

In similar way, the natural output is defined as a function of the natural RIR as follows:

$$y_t^n = E_t\{y_{t+1}^n\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (rr_t^n - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \quad (54)$$

The DIS yields by subtracting (54) from (44):

$$\begin{aligned} x_t = y_t - y_t^n &= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} - \\ &\quad - \left[ E_t\{y_{t+1}^n\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (rr_t^n - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow x_t = E_t\{x_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - rr_t^n) \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

If we solve  $rr_t^n$  from (55) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} rr_t^n &= r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \sigma_\alpha (E_t\{x_{t+1}\} - x_t) \\ &= r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \sigma_\alpha (E_t\{y_{t+1} - y_{t+1}^n\} - (y_t - y_t^n)) \\ &= r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \sigma_\alpha (E_t\{y_{t+1} - y_t\} - E_t\{y_{t+1}^n - y_t^n\}) \\ &= r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \sigma_\alpha (E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}\} - E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^n\}) \end{aligned}$$

From equation (52) and (44) we have  $E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^n\} = \Gamma E_t\{\Delta a_{t+1}\} + \alpha\Psi E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}$  and  $E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}\} = \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) - \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}$ , respectively, and by

substituting these we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
rr_t^n &= r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \sigma_\alpha \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) - \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} - \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \Gamma E_t\{\Delta a_{t+1}\} - \alpha\Psi E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \right) \\
&= \rho + \sigma_\alpha \Gamma E_t\{\Delta a_{t+1}\} + \alpha\sigma_\alpha(\Theta + \Psi) E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \\
&= \rho + \sigma_\alpha \Gamma E_t\{\rho_a a_t - a_t\} + \alpha\sigma_\alpha(\Theta + \Psi) E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \\
\Rightarrow rr_t^n &= \rho - \sigma_\alpha \Gamma(1 - \rho_a) a_t + \alpha\sigma_\alpha(\Theta + \Psi) E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \tag{56}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we see that the NKPC and the DIS equations in the small open economy equilibrium is similar to the counterparts in the closed economy. A couple of differences appear however. First, the degree of openness influences the sensitivity of the output gap to interest rate changes. Second, openness generally makes the natural RIR depend on expected world output growth, in addition to domestic productivity.

### 3.6 A small, structural open economy model

In this section we summarize the above small, open model into the structural model, which is same in [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#). The model consists of a forward-looking DIS equation and a NKPC. Monetary policy is described by the modified interest rate rule satisfied the current Mongolian monetary policy specifications. All exogenous shocks are assumed as given by the corresponding  $AR(1)$  process, respectively. Moreover, we determine steady states of the model.

*The DIS curve:* Combining equation (16) into IS equation (44) we have:

$$\begin{cases} y_t = E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} (r_t - E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \\ \pi_t = \pi_{h,t} + \alpha\Delta s_t \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$



$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow y_t &= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha}(r_t - E_t\{\pi_{t+1} - \alpha\Delta s_{t+1}\} - \rho) + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \\
&= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha}(r_t - E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\} - \rho) - \frac{\alpha}{\sigma_\alpha}E_t\{\Delta s_{t+1}\} + \alpha\Theta E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{1+\alpha\Theta}$  and  $\Theta \equiv (\sigma\gamma - 1) + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1)$ . If we denote as  $\tau \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma}$  the inter-temporal substitution elasticity and assume that  $\eta = \gamma = 1$  for simplicity we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha\Theta &= \alpha(\sigma - 1 + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma - 1)) = \alpha((\sigma - 1)(1 + 1 - \alpha)) \\
&= \alpha(\sigma - 1)(2 - \alpha) = \alpha(2 - \alpha) \left(\frac{1}{\tau} - 1\right) \\
&= \alpha(2 - \alpha) \left(\frac{1 - \tau}{\tau}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_\alpha &= \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha\Theta} = \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\sigma - 1)(2 - \alpha)} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sigma} + \alpha\frac{(\sigma - 1)}{\sigma}(2 - \alpha)} \\
&= \frac{1}{\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)}
\end{aligned}$$

As result of these calculations, the IS equation becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
y_t &= E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - [\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)](r_t - E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\} - \rho) - \\
&\quad - \alpha[\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)]E_t\{\Delta s_{t+1}\} + \alpha(2 - \alpha) \left(\frac{1 - \tau}{\tau}\right) E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \quad (57)
\end{aligned}$$

As discussed in [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2005\)](#), in order to guarantee stationary of the model, real variables are expressed in terms of percentage deviations from  $A_t$ .

Thus, we need to modify the IS becomes:

$$y_t = E_t\{y_{t+1}\} - [\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)](r_t - E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\}) - \rho_a a_t - \alpha[\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)]E_t\{\Delta s_{t+1}\} + \alpha(2 - \alpha)\left(\frac{1 - \tau}{\tau}\right)E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\} \quad (58)$$

**The NKPC:** If we combine (16) into the NKPC (53) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{h,t} &= \beta E_t\{\pi_{h,t+1}\} + \lambda(\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)x_t \\ \pi_t - \alpha\Delta s_t &= \beta E_t\{\pi_{t+1} - \alpha\Delta s_{t+1}\} + \lambda\left(\frac{1}{\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)} + \varphi\right)x_t \\ \pi_t &= \beta E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\} - \alpha\beta E_t\{\Delta s_{t+1}\} + \alpha\Delta s_t + \frac{\kappa}{\tau + \alpha(1 - \tau)(2 - \alpha)}(y_t - y_t^n) \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

where  $y_t^n = -\alpha(2 - \alpha)\left(\frac{1 - \tau}{\tau}\right)y_t^*$  is potential output in the absence of nominal rigidities. The slope coefficient  $\kappa > 0$  is a function of underlying structural parameters, such as labor supply and demand elasticities and parameters capturing the degree of price stickiness. Since we do not use any additional information from the underlying model we treat  $\kappa$  as structural.

**Monetary policy rule:** In order to complete or close the model, we need to determine the NIR. In here, we do not use the monetary rule function in [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) and [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#) due to the our interesting hypothesis. We assume that the BoM follows a generalized Taylor-rule as in [Smets and Wouters \(2003\)](#) for deciding on the the interest rate. Based on the hypothesis and the Monetary Policy Guidelines of Mongolia, it is assumed that, in addition to smoothing the interest rate,  $\rho_R r_{t-1}$ , the interest rate is decided in reaction to CPI deviation from the inflation target,  $\pi_{t-1} - \pi_t^T$ , the output growth,  $\Delta y_t$ , and the nominal exchange rate changes,  $\Delta e_t$ . We also assume that there are two monetary policy shocks: one is a persistent shock to inflation target, which is assumed to follow

a  $AR(1)$  process  $\pi_t^T = \rho_\pi \pi_{t-1}^T + \varepsilon_{\pi,t}$ ; the other is a temporary identically independent distributed (i.i.d) normal interest rate shock,  $\varepsilon_{R,t}$ . The latter will also be denoted a monetary policy shock. Then, the log-linear policy function for the BoM is given by

$$r_t = \rho_R r_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) [\pi_t^T + \psi_1 (\pi_{t-1} - \pi_t^T) + \psi_2 \Delta y_t + \psi_3 \Delta e_t] + \varepsilon_{R,t} \quad (60)$$

In this specification,  $\psi_1$ ,  $\psi_2$  and  $\psi_3$  are, respectively, the responses of the BoM to deviations of inflation from its target rates and the output growth, and smoothing nominal effective exchange rate volatility. As  $\psi_1 \rightarrow \infty$  the central bank would be strictly targeting the inflation; or  $\psi_2 \rightarrow \infty$  it would be a strict output growth targeting; or  $\psi_3 \rightarrow \infty$  it would be exchange rate targeting. If  $\psi_1$  is finite and  $\psi_3 > 0$  a managed float is being implemented.  $\rho_R$  controls for the degree of NIR smoothing, which is an important variable for the conduct of monetary policy due to imperfect asset substitution, where  $0 < \rho_R < 1$ .

Due to the small scale model or a few endogenous pass through relation model, we are unable to expand this rule by including all influencing policy instruments (described in the section about Mongolian monetary policy) on these main policy variables: inflation, economic growth, and exchange rate. It is possible when we use a large-scale DSGE model consists of the enough auxiliary endogenous transmission relations on the variables.

**Nominal exchange rate:** We can introduce the NER policy by combining (16) and (17), which the later satisfies the relative PPP condition, as follows:

$$s_t = e_t + p_t^* - p_{h,t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta s_t = \Delta e_t + \pi_t^* - \pi_{h,t}$$

Then,

$$\begin{cases} \Delta s_t = \Delta e_t + \pi_t^* - \pi_{h,t} \\ \pi_t = \pi_{h,t} + \alpha \Delta s_t \end{cases} \Rightarrow \Delta s_t = \Delta e_t + \pi_t^* - \pi_t + \alpha \Delta s_t \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow e_t = e_{t-1} + \pi_t - (1 - \alpha) \Delta s_t - \pi_t^* \quad (61)$$

where  $\pi_t^*$  is a world inflation shock which we treat as an unobservable.

**The terms of trade (ToT):** Instead of solving endogenously for the terms of trade, we add a law of motion for their growth rate to the system by the following  $AR(1)$  process:

$$\Delta s_t = \rho_s \Delta s_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{s,t} \quad (62)$$

**Others:** We assume that all other variables in the model,  $a_t$ ,  $y_t^*$ , and  $\pi_t^*$ , will be determined exogenously by  $AR(1)$  process, respectively.

$$a_t = \rho_a a_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{a,t} \quad (63)$$

$$y_t^* = \rho_{y^*} y_{t-1}^* + \varepsilon_{y^*,t}$$

$$\pi_t^* = \rho_{\pi^*} \pi_{t-1}^* + \varepsilon_{\pi^*,t}$$

Equations from (58) to (63) form the linear rational expectation model which can be solved with standard techniques, for example, described in Sims (2001).

### 3.6.1 Equilibrium determinacy

This section is mainly based on the Herbst and Schorfheide (2016). Four structural equations, the DIS, the NKPC, the Taylor-type monetary policy rule, and the NER, and 5 exogenous  $AR(1)$  processes,  $a_t$ ,  $\Delta s_t$ ,  $\pi_t^T$ ,  $y_t^*$ , and  $\pi_t^*$ , form a LRE system that

determines the evolution of

$$f_t = [y_t, \pi_t, r_t, e_t, \varepsilon_{R,t}, a_t, \Delta s_t, \pi_t^T, y_t^n, y_t^*, \pi_t^*] \quad (64)$$

In order to solve for the law of motion of  $f_t$  it is convenient to augment  $f_t$  by the expectations  $E_t\{y_{t+1}\}$  and  $E_t\{\pi_{t+1}\}$ , defining the  $n \times 1$  vector

$$\xi_t = [f_t', E\{y_{t+1}\}, E\{\pi_{t+1}\}]' \quad (65)$$

If we follow the solution method in [Sims \(2001\)](#), first we need transform the log-linear DSGE model into the canonical LRE form:

$$M_0 \xi_t = M_1 \xi_{t-1} + K \epsilon_t + X \delta_t \quad (66)$$

where  $\epsilon_t = [\varepsilon_{\pi^*,t}, \varepsilon_{y^*,t}, \varepsilon_{\pi,t}, \varepsilon_{s,t}, \varepsilon_{a,t}, \varepsilon_{R,t}]'$ . The vector  $\delta_t$  captures one-step ahead rational expectations forecast errors. To write the equilibrium conditions of the model in the form of (66), we begin by replacing  $E_t\{\Delta s_{t+1}\}$  and  $E_t\{\Delta y_{t+1}^*\}$  with  $\rho_s \Delta s_t$  and  $\rho_{y^*} \Delta y_t^*$ , respectively. We then note expectations errors for inflation and output as:

$$\delta_{y,t} = y_t - E_{t-1}\{y_t\}, \quad (67)$$

$$\delta_{\pi,t} = \pi_t - E_{t-1}\{\pi_t\}$$

and define  $\delta_t = [\delta_{y,t}, \delta_{\pi,t}]$ . Using these definitions, the rational expectational log-linear model can be written as (66). The system matrices  $M_0$ ,  $M_1$ ,  $K$ , and  $X$  are functions of the DSGE model parameters  $\theta$ .

Characterizations of a solution of this DSGE model is realized when the corresponding set of transversality conditions are satisfied. It implies that the law of motion should be non-explosive. This stability requirements restricts the set of solu-

tions to (66). In general, the system have the following three possible solutions: i) no non-explosive (non-existence), ii) exactly one solution (uniqueness), and iii) many stable solutions (indeterminacy). The solution depends on the system matrices  $M_0$ ,  $M_1$ , and  $K$ .

There are many alternative solution methods for the LRE systems and one of them is provided by Sims (2001). It shows that the LRE system can be transformed through a generalized complex Schur decomposition ( $QZ$ ) of  $M_0$  and  $M_1$ , where  $Q$ ,  $Z$ ,  $\Lambda$ , and  $\Omega$  are  $n \times n$  matrices, such that  $Q'\Lambda Z' = M_0$ ,  $Q'\Omega Z' = M_1$ ,  $QQ' = ZZ' = I$ , and  $\Lambda$  and  $\Omega$  are upper-triangular. Then, if we let  $w_t = Z'\xi_t$  and pre-multiply (66) by  $Q$  to obtain:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{11} & \Lambda_{12} \\ \Lambda_{21} & \Lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,t} \\ w_{2,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_{11} & \Omega_{12} \\ 0 & \Omega_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,t-1} \\ w_{2,t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix} (K\epsilon_t + X\delta_t) \quad (68)$$

The second set of equations can be written as:

$$w_{2,t} = \Lambda_{22}^{-1}\Omega_{22}w_{2,t-1} + \Lambda_{22}^{-1}Q_2(K\epsilon_t + X\delta_t) \quad (69)$$

where  $w_{2,t}$  is ordered by purely explosive  $m \times 1$  vector ( $0 \leq m \leq n$ ).

Then, if  $w_{2,0} = 0$ , the LRE system given in (66) has a non-explosive solution of  $\xi_t$ . It means that there is one can find a  $k \times 1$  vector of rational expectations errors  $\delta_t$  offsets the impact of  $l \times 1$  vector of structural shock innovations  $\epsilon_t$  on  $w_{2,t}$ :

$$\underbrace{Q_2K}_{m \times l} \underbrace{\epsilon_t}_{l \times 1} + \underbrace{Q_2X}_{m \times k} \underbrace{\delta_t}_{k \times 1} = \underbrace{0}_{m \times 1} \quad (70)$$

If  $m = k$  and the matrix  $Q_2X$  is invertible, then the unique set of expectational errors that satisfy the stability of the system is given by

$$\delta_t = -(Q_2X)^{-1} Q_2K\epsilon_t$$

In general, it is not guaranteed that the vector  $\delta_t$  need is uniquely determined by  $\epsilon_t$ . An example of non-uniqueness (or indeterminacy) is the case in which the number of expectation errors  $k$  exceeds the number of explosive components  $m$  and (70) does not provide enough restrictions to uniquely determine the elements of  $\delta_t$ . The set of non-explosive solutions (if it is non-empty) to the LRE system (66) can be obtained from  $\xi_t = Zw_t$ , (70).

In order to see how additional variables, the NER and the time-varying inflation target rate, influence to the equilibrium conditions, we summarize the different dimensions in the following Table 3.1.

Table 3.1: The equilibrium conditions of Sims approach

	$n$	$m$	$l$	$k$	
Benchmark	11	3	5	2	$\underbrace{Q_2 K}_{3 \times 5} \underbrace{\epsilon_t}_{5 \times 1} + \underbrace{Q_2 X}_{3 \times 2} \underbrace{\delta_t}_{2 \times 1} = \underbrace{0}_{3 \times 1}$
+ Exchange rate	12	4	5	2	$\underbrace{Q_2 K}_{4 \times 5} \underbrace{\epsilon_t}_{5 \times 1} + \underbrace{Q_2 X}_{4 \times 2} \underbrace{\delta_t}_{2 \times 1} = \underbrace{0}_{4 \times 1}$
+ Inflation target	12	3	6	2	$\underbrace{Q_2 K}_{3 \times 6} \underbrace{\epsilon_t}_{6 \times 1} + \underbrace{Q_2 X}_{3 \times 2} \underbrace{\delta_t}_{2 \times 1} = \underbrace{0}_{3 \times 1}$
+ ER & IT	13	4	6	2	$\underbrace{Q_2 K}_{4 \times 6} \underbrace{\epsilon_t}_{6 \times 1} + \underbrace{Q_2 X}_{4 \times 2} \underbrace{\delta_t}_{2 \times 1} = \underbrace{0}_{4 \times 1}$

In our case,  $m$  can be 4 at the maximum because  $y_t$ ,  $\pi_t$ ,  $r_t$ , and  $e_t$  are the aggregate macroeconomic variables, and these tend to be an non-stationary or an explosive. The number of expectations error is always 2, so  $k = 2$ . The dimensions of vector of structural shock innovations  $l$  depends on these additional variables are in the model or not. The benchmark model means that the using DSGE model is described without the exchange rate and the inflation target.

As we can see from the table, there is always possibility to have a non-explosive solution because  $m > k$  in every case. The corresponding numerical analysis of equilibrium will be performed in the next section by estimating the model.

### 3.6.2 Steady states

In this section, we describe the steady state relations and values of the main variables of the model which will be an important initial guess in the Bayesian estimation. In order to find these values, we use the assumptions when we made for building the model in the previous section.

The consumption Euler equation implies that the domestic NIR is  $r = -\ln(\beta)$ ; thus, we can find  $\beta = \exp(-r) = \exp(-0.17) = 0.84$  by using the average RIR of the observation period, which was approximately 17 percent quarterly. In here, we are following [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#), in which parameterization is based on the terms of the steady state RIR.

We assumed that the model has the symmetric steady state satisfying the PPP condition  $P_{h,t} = P_{f,t} = P$ . Then, at the steady state, we have zero domestic and foreign goods inflation rates,  $\pi_h = \pi_f^* = 0$ . Moreover, we have  $\mathcal{S} = 1$  or  $s = 0$  since  $\mathcal{S}_t = \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_{h,t}}$ , which is given by equation (13).

Using the relationship between domestic and CPI inflation in equation (16), we can determine the steady state CPI inflation is also zero.

$$\pi_t = \pi_{h,t} + \alpha \Delta s_t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi = 0$$

If we take a first-order difference from equation (17), we have  $\Delta s_t = \Delta e_t + \pi_t^* - \pi_{h,t}$  and so, in the steady state, it will be  $\Delta e = -\pi^*$ . Since we are assuming that the foreign inflation dynamic is given as  $AR(1)$ , its steady state value would be zero, so  $\Delta e = 0$ . Then, the equation of UIP (26) determines the steady state foreign



interest rate as equal to the domestic interest rate.

$$r_t - r_t^* = E_t\{\Delta e_{t+1}\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad r = r^*$$

According to the small open economy assumption  $y = c$  which is used in transforming to log-linear form of aggregate demand and output. By the market equilibrium condition given by equation (41), the steady state foreign economy output equals to the domestic output.

$$y_t = y^* + \frac{1}{\sigma_\alpha} s_t, \quad s = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = y^*$$

Finally, we can determine  $y$  from the marginal cost condition given in equation (49) as follows,

$$mc_t = -\nu + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y_t + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y_t^* - (1 + \varphi)a_t$$

where, in the steady state,  $mc = \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - 1}\right)$  and  $\nu \equiv \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - 1}\right) &= -\ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon}\right) + (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi)y + (\sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y \\ \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - 1}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon}\right) &= (\sigma_\alpha + \varphi + \sigma - \sigma_\alpha)y \\ \ln\left(\frac{\cancel{\varepsilon}}{\cancel{\varepsilon - 1}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{\varepsilon - 1}}{\cancel{\varepsilon}}\right) &= (\sigma + \varphi)y \\ \ln(1) &= (\sigma + \varphi)y \\ y &= \frac{0}{(\sigma + \varphi)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

## 4 Estimation

In this section we present our estimation methodology and explain the results estimation of monetary policy rules. We also explain our observations of the data sets and how to choose prior distributions for the Bayesian analysis. At end of the section, we present the estimation results, its explanations and results of robustness analysis. The estimations are performed in the Dynare 4.4 with the Matlab 2015b by referring the code in [Wieland et al. \(2012\)](#), which is related to [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#).

### 4.1 Methodology: Bayesian inference

We use Bayesian approach in estimation procedure because of the main purpose of this research that to estimate of the monetary policy rule (60) of the DSGE model of SOE.

The monetary policy rule parameters of the DSGE model are collected into the  $4 \times 1$  vector  $\psi = [\psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_3, \rho_R]$  and the non-policy parameters and the shock standard deviations are collected in the  $12 \times 1$  vector  $\theta$ . If we use the common assumption on structural shocks that is normal i.i.d (identically, independently distributed) we can have a joint probability distribution for the endogenous model variables. The vector of observables  $Y_t$  consists of annualized interest rates, annualized inflation rates, annualized inflation targets, output growth, nominal depreciation rates, and terms of trade changes.

$$Y_t = [4R_t, 4\pi_t, 4\pi_t^T, \Delta y_t, \Delta e_t, \Delta s_t]'$$

In the Bayesian approach, a prior distribution is determined with density  $p(\psi, \theta) = p(\psi)p(\theta)$  on the structural parameters. The observed data set update the prior through the likelihood function of the DSGE model which is denoted by  $\mathcal{L}_D(\psi, \theta|Y^T)$ ,

where  $Y^T = \{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_T\}$ . Due to the Bayesian Theorem the posterior distribution of the parameters is given by:

$$p_D(\psi, \theta | Y^T) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_D(\psi, \theta | Y^T) p(\psi) p(\theta)}{\int \mathcal{L}_D(\psi, \theta | Y^T) p(\psi) p(\theta) d(\psi, \theta)} \quad (71)$$

Schorfheide (2000) and An and Schorfheide (2007) explain how Bayesian simulation technique generates posteriors. In general, the Bayesian estimation technique has benefits of that we can estimate all model parameters not only policy rule parameters. Moreover, the estimation approach can determine the dynamic properties of the DSGE model through impulse response functions and variance decompositions, thus we are possible to do some conclusions on the importance of structural shocks.

We are interested in the following two hypothesis. First, whether the BoM concern the inflation target announcement when they setting their monetary policy rule or not. It is given by equation (60) in which the NIR reacts to the inflation target rates and the deviation of total inflation from the inflation target. Second, whether the BoM react systematically to exchange rate movements or do not? In order to answer these hypothesis, we estimate a version  $\mathcal{M}_1$  of the DSGE model in which the inflation target and the NER changes include in the monetary policy rule ( $\psi_3 > 0$ ) and two different second version of  $\mathcal{M}_0$  which expresses an alternative in each hypothesis. In other words, for the first hypothesis, a version  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  does not include the inflation target variable and for the second hypothesis,  $\mathcal{M}_0^2$  is expressed when  $\psi_3$  is restricted to be zero. Then, the posterior odds of each  $\mathcal{M}_0^j$  versus  $\mathcal{M}_1$  are given by

$$\frac{\pi_{0,T}^j}{\pi_{1,T}} = \underbrace{\frac{\pi_{0,0}}{\pi_{1,0}}}_{\text{Prior Odds}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{p(Y^T | \mathcal{M}_0^j)}{p(Y^T | \mathcal{M}_1)}}_{\text{Bayes' factor}}, \quad j = 1, 2 \quad (72)$$

The first factor is the prior odds ratio to accept  $\mathcal{M}_0^j$ . The second term is called the Bayes' Factor and summarizes the sample evidence to accept  $\mathcal{M}_0^j$  version. The term

$p(Y^T|\mathcal{M}_i)$  is called marginal data density and appears as normalizing constant in the denominator of (71).

The logarithm of the marginal data density can be interpreted as maximized log-likelihood function penalized for model dimensionality. Under a 0 – 1 loss function, the loss attached to choosing the wrong model is 1 and the optimal decision is to select the highest posterior model probability:

$$PO_{01}^j = \frac{p(Y^T|\mathcal{M}_0^j)\pi_{0,0}}{p(Y^T|\mathcal{M}_1)\pi_{1,0}} = \frac{p(\mathcal{M}_0^j|Y^T)}{p(\mathcal{M}_1|Y^T)}, \quad j = 1, 2$$

If we assume that we have two models, then

$$p(\mathcal{M}_0^j|Y^T) + p(\mathcal{M}_1|Y^T) = 1, \quad j = 1, 2$$

Then,

$$p(\mathcal{M}_0^j|Y^T) = \frac{PO_{01}^j}{1 + PO_{01}^j}, \quad p(\mathcal{M}_1|Y^T) = 1 - p(\mathcal{M}_0^j|Y^T)$$

## 4.2 Data description

We use observations on real output growth, inflation, NIRs, exchange rate changes, and terms of trade changes in our empirical analysis. All series, except of the inflation targets, are seasonally adjusted and at quarterly frequencies for the period 2000Q1 to 2014Q3 and are obtained from the BoM statistic database. Inflation target rates are observed from the annual Monetary Guidelines which are resolved from the Mongolian Parliament on the country's monetary policy between 2000 – 2014<sup>9</sup>.

Output growth rates are computed as log differences of real GDP and scaled by 100 to convert them into quarter-to-quarter percentages. Inflation rates are defined as log differences of the CPI and multiplied by 400 to obtain annualized percentage

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<sup>9</sup>The summarized table is attached in the Appendix 1.

rates. The series of ToT are calculated by the ratio of price indices of exports and imports, and converted in log differences (scaled by 100) to obtain percentage changes in the terms of trade. The weighted average loan rates represent NIR and scaled by 400 to obtain annualized percentage rates. NER changes are defined as log differences of the nominal effective exchange rate index (NEER) and scaled by 100 to convert the indices into depreciation rates. All series are demeaned before estimation.

### 4.3 Choice of prior

As consistent with [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#) we can divide all parameters in the model into three groups. First, theoretical structural parameters which do not depend on the country's characteristics:  $\psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_3, \rho_R, \kappa, \tau$ , and  $\varepsilon^R$ . These coefficients are usually common in the related literatures. Second, country specific structural parameters:  $\alpha, \rho_a, \rho_s, \rho_\pi, \varepsilon_{a,t}, \varepsilon_{s,t}$ , and  $\varepsilon_{\pi,t}$ . Third, structural parameters of the world economy:  $\rho_{y^*}, \rho_{\pi^*}, \varepsilon_{y^*}$ , and  $\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$ , which are also do not depend on the country's characteristics. The following Table 4.1 shows values of prior for Mongolia.

Assumptions and prior values of the theoretical structural parameters are same as in the article. These parameters are based on the common literatures related to Taylor-rule and the Phillips curve. The only change made in this group is that we increase the mean value of  $\tau$  to 0.90 due to the assumption of unit substitution elasticity ( $\sigma = \frac{1}{\tau}$ ) which will be used in the next chapter of the optimality analysis on the monetary policy. Moreover, in order to get the tight estimate we choose a relatively small standard deviation 0.05 on the prior distribution of  $\tau$ .

We defined  $\beta = 0.84$  in the previous section. The country specific parameter  $\alpha$ , import share, is defined by the average import share of the observed period, which is about 60 percent. To specify  $\rho_s$  and  $\varepsilon_{s,t}$ , we estimate  $AR(1)$  processes to growth rates of ToT, and obtain 0.94 and 0.10 respectively. These estimated parameters are

little bit higher and tighter than the usual values, we assume that it centers at 0.90 with the standard error of 0.20, which allows it to vary widely. For the technological process, even we tried to obtain  $\rho_a$  and  $\varepsilon_a$  by estimating  $AR(1)$  processes to the growth rate of Mongolian economy, we obtained a negative estimated value same as in the article for the UK and Australia; thus, we follow the article and choose the positive values in the article.

Table 4.1: Prior distributions for Mongolia

	Name	Domain	Density	Prior		
				P(1)	P(2)	
Theoretical parameters	$\psi_1$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	1.54	0.50	from <a href="#">Lubik and Schorfheide (2007)</a>
	$\psi_2$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	
	$\psi_3$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	
	$\rho_R$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.50	0.20	
	$\kappa$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.50	0.25	
	$\varepsilon^R$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.50	4.00	
	$\tau$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.90	0.05	Due to the assumption of an unit substitution elasticity
Country specific parameters	$\alpha$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.60	0.20	An average import share of Mongolia during the observed period
	$\rho_a$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.20	0.10	from <a href="#">Lubik and Schorfheide (2007)</a>
	$\varepsilon_a$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.00	4.00	
	$\rho_s$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.90	0.20	from $AR(1)$ processes on the Mongolian ToT and inflation target rates
	$\varepsilon_s$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.10	4.00	
	$\rho_\pi$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.97	0.05	
	$\varepsilon_\pi$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.21	4.00	
World economy's parameters	$\rho_{y^*}$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.97	0.05	from <a href="#">Lubik and Schorfheide (2007)</a>
	$\rho_{\pi^*}$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.46	0.10	
	$\varepsilon_{y^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.29	4.00	
	$\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	2.00	4.00	

Notes: P(1) and P(2) list the means and the standard deviations for beta, gamma, and normal distributions.

In order to input inflation target observations into the estimation process, we

estimate  $AR(1)$  processes to the seasonally adjusted quarterly inflation target values, which is built by dividing annual value into four equal parts. We obtained  $\rho_{\pi T} = 0.97$  and  $\varepsilon_{\pi T} = 0.21$ .

In regarding to the world economy's parameters, we choose the estimated posterior values in the article. The article uses data between 1983 :  $Q1$  and 2002 :  $Q4$ , so this is a pre-sampling period for our data period; thus the estimated posterior values can be a good representative prior values for our model.

#### 4.4 Estimation results

The following Table 4.2 summarizes the Bayesian estimates of parameters of  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  models for Mongolia. In other words, these two models represent the cases when the BoM concern inflation target ( $\mathcal{M}_1$ ) and when they do not concern it ( $\mathcal{M}_0^1$ ).

In here, the point estimates are the corresponding posterior means. The estimated results for two models are almost same, all parameters have a same sign and almost same standard deviations.

We use the results of  $\mathcal{M}_1$  model for the explanations because this model includes all empirical variables that influence the NIR. Our findings mean that the BoM follows a moderately anti-inflationary policy,  $\psi_1 = 1.0636$ , and implements a concern for output,  $\psi_2 = 0.1764$ . The main interested parameter,  $\psi_3$ , is estimated as 0.7048 means that the bank relatively more concerns on the exchange rate movements when they implements interest-smoothing policy. There is also a reasonably high degree of interest-smoothing with an estimate of  $\rho_R = 0.8862$ . The preference parameter  $\alpha$  is estimated as 0.8922 means that it is a higher than observable Mongolian import share.

The estimates of the stochastic processes shows that technology growth and inflation target rates have a relatively high degree of autocorrelations than in the prior means,  $\rho_a = 0.7818$  and  $\rho_\pi = 0.9963$  respectively. The rest of the stochastic

Table 4.2: Parameter estimation results of  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  models

	Prior		Posterior ( $\mathcal{M}_1$ )			Posterior ( $\mathcal{M}_0^1$ )		
	Mean	Std.dev	Mean	St.dev	90% HPD interval	Mean	St.dev	90% HPD interval
$\psi_1$	1.54	0.50	1.0636	0.19	[0.87 1.31]	0.9112	0.21	[0.57 1.22]
$\psi_2$	0.25	0.13	0.1764	0.09	[0.04 0.30]	0.1558	0.08	[0.05 0.27]
$\psi_3$	0.25	0.13	0.7048	0.16	[0.43 0.98]	0.6711	0.15	[0.44 0.89]
$\rho_R$	0.50	0.20	0.8862	0.02	[0.86 0.92]	0.8665	0.03	[0.83 0.91]
$\varepsilon_R$	0.50	4.00	0.6571	0.09	[0.51 0.79]	0.6694	0.08	[0.54 0.78]
$\kappa$	0.50	0.25	3.5937	0.27	[3.16 3.96]	3.6024	0.22	[3.22 3.96]
$\tau$	0.90	0.05	0.8419	0.04	[0.77 0.91]	0.8432	0.05	[0.77 0.91]
$\alpha$	0.60	0.20	0.8922	0.06	[0.81 0.97]	0.8787	0.06	[0.80 0.97]
$\rho_a$	0.20	0.10	0.7818	0.05	[0.69 0.87]	0.7803	0.04	[0.70 0.86]
$\rho_s$	0.90	0.20	0.1716	0.06	[0.06 0.26]	0.1657	0.06	[0.06 0.25]
$\rho_\pi$	0.97	0.05	0.9963	0.01	[0.99 1.00]	0.9959	0.003	[0.99 1.00]
$\rho_{y^*}$	0.97	0.05	0.8448	0.11	[0.65 1.00]	0.8282	0.14	[0.62 1.00]
$\rho_{\pi^*}$	0.46	0.10	0.3314	0.08	[0.20 0.44]	0.3400	0.07	[0.22 0.44]
$\varepsilon_a$	1.00	4.00	1.8149	0.44	[0.88 2.82]	1.6391	0.43	[0.85 2.59]
$\varepsilon_s$	0.10	4.00	12.2025	1.13	[10.04 14.23]	12.2839	0.95	[9.97 14.55]
$\varepsilon_\pi$	0.21	4.00	0.2185	0.02	[0.19 0.25]	0.2175	0.02	[0.18 0.25]
$\varepsilon_{y^*}$	1.29	4.00	36.2324	5.34	[17.69 53.24]	36.3648	11.63	[16.96 54.60]
$\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$	2.00	4.00	5.0084	0.59	[4.02 5.96]	4.9340	0.50	[4.09 5.74]

Notes: HPD - Highest Posterior Density

processes have a smaller degree of autocorrelations, for instance the terms of trade processes has much smaller,  $\rho_s = 0.1716$ .

The influence of the individual shock is expressed by computing variance decompositions. Table 4.3 summarizes the results. In order to see short-term and long-term impacts, we compute it with conditional on different time horizons, 1 quarter, 1 year, 3 year, and many years. However, the most driving shock for each variables is same in the both horizons, and this is indicated as the same bolded shock impacts in each variable's column of the table. Thus, we use the long-term or final results of variance decompositions for the further explanations.



Table 4.3: Variance decompositions of  $\mathcal{M}_1$  model, in percent

Variables Shocks	Forecast horizon	Output	Inflation	Interest rate	Exchange rate
Monetary policy	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	0.44	17.29	38.96	17.54
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	0.19	16.95	8.25	16.01
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	0.14	16.87	6.73	15.93
	$t = \infty$ (final)	0.13	16.16	5.10	15.38
Terms of trade	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	9.35	5.17	1.60	0.85
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	4.41	5.98	1.12	2.29
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	3.43	5.95	0.91	2.28
	$t = \infty$ (final)	3.17	5.60	0.66	2.17
Technology	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	1.91	<b>57.91</b>	<b>41.02</b>	<b>59.33</b>
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	0.81	57.48	85.40	55.34
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	0.60	57.60	86.79	55.45
	$t = \infty$ (final)	0.54	<b>55.62</b>	<b>71.42</b>	<b>53.76</b>
Inflation target	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	0.004	0.21	0.06	0.20
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	0.002	0.23	0.43	0.20
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	0.001	0.28	1.25	0.25
	$t = \infty$ (final)	0.003	3.97	19.09	3.69
World output	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	<b>87.88</b>	1.03	8.10	1.11
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	94.42	1.06	2.55	1.07
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	95.69	1.09	2.47	1.09
	$t = \infty$ (final)	<b>96.04</b>	1.07	2.28	1.08
World inflation	$t = 1$ (1 quarter)	0.41	18.38	10.26	20.98
	$t = 4$ (1 year)	0.18	18.29	2.24	25.10
	$t = 12$ (3 year)	0.13	18.21	1.84	25.01
	$t = \infty$ (final)	0.12	17.59	1.46	23.92

Notes: Table reports posterior means of variances based on the model  $\mathcal{M}_1$ . Bold means the highest contributions.

The only interesting results of comparison between different time horizon's impacts is relating to the shocks on inflation targeting rates. The influences of the shock are almost zero for all variables in the short-term but eventually increases in the long-term, for example, it explains only 0.06 percent of changes in interest rates in the short-term but in the long-term it will explain 19.09 percent of the changes. This result suggests that inflation target rates may have an influences on the long-term.

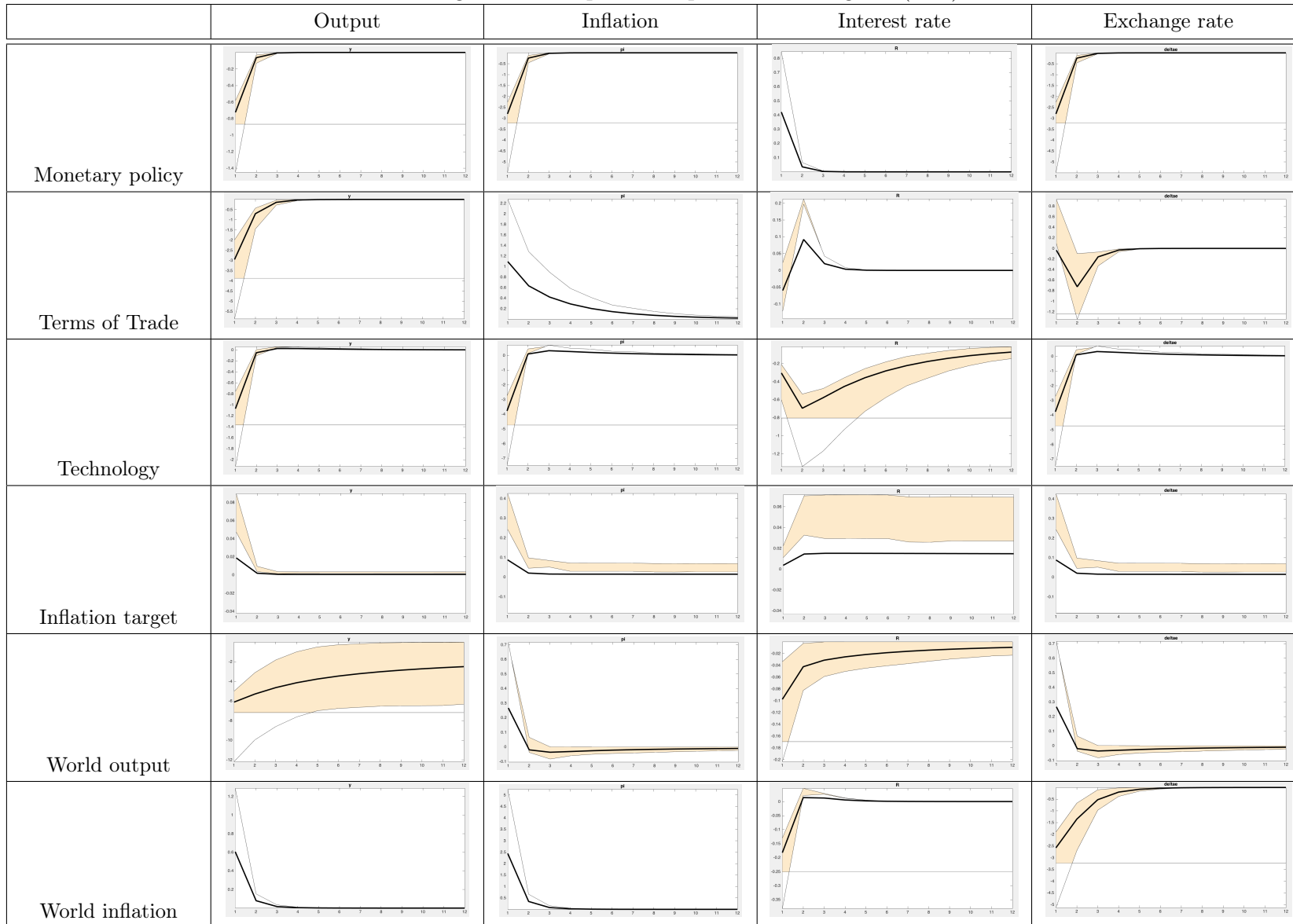
The changes in Mongolian GDP are almost fully, 96 percent, driven by the world

output. This fact is consistent with the current Mongolian economic situation that the economic growth is highly depending on the foreign economies, in especially on the mining sector exports. The technology shock is the most influencing factor for the inflation, interest rate, and exchange rate change volatilities. The world inflation has a larger contribution than the monetary policy on the inflation (18 and 17 percent respectively) in long-term is likely the results of model misspecification as the the unobserved process including the effects of other foreign variables. Moreover, the world inflation shocks are the second driving factors for the exchange rate changes. If we follow [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#) about the assumption on world inflation expression, which is  $\pi_t^*$  is interpreted as measurement error designed to capture deviations from PPP, then our model explains roughly about 21 percent (the difference between the world inflation and the ToT contribution percents) of Mongolian exchange rate movements.

In regarding with the ToT, it does not have a significant contribution to the domestic business cycles, between 0.7 and 5.6 percent, stands in consistent with the fact that ToT has a less than 10 percent explanatory power, for example [Lubik and Teo \(2005\)](#) which is mentioned in the article. As concluded in the article, the minor role of the ToT is not an undoubted results in international RBC literature, while some researchers prove that up to 50 percent of domestic GDP fluctuations to the ToT.

In order to describe the dynamic effects of the shocks, we compute impulse response functions, which are reported in [Figure 4.1](#). The figure shows posterior means (thick lines) and 90% HPD intervals (tiny lines) for impulse responses of output, inflation, interest rate, and exchange rate changes to one-standard deviation structural shocks. We can see from these graphs which posterior mean is i) not significant when the 90% HPD intervals overlap, for example monetary shock on the interest rate, ii) strongly significant when the 90% percent HPD intervals include the posterior mean (most of them), and iii) weakly significant when the posterior

Figure 4.1: Impulse Responses of Mongolia ( $\mathcal{M}_1$ )



mean does not lie within the 90% HPD interval, for example inflation target rate shocks on the all variables.

An positive shock in the interest rate or contractionary monetary policy lowers output and inflation and appreciates the currency. In Mongolian economy, an improvement in the terms of trade (decreasing the domestic price) increases output and inflation level on impact via a nominal appreciation. The decline in the exchange rate prompts the BoM to decrease their policy rate which has an additional expansionary effect on output.

The technology is assumed as difference stationary innovations; thus, an positive technology shock should have an positive effect on production. However, we obtained an negative effects on output which is same as in the  $AR(1)$  estimation on the Mongolian economic growth rates in when choosing the priors. For other variables, an positive technology shocks lower inflation and interest rates and thereby appreciate the currency. An positive shock in the inflation target would increase the output and inflation rates on impact via a lowering NIR. It means that the total effect of the inflation target terms in the monetary policy rule is an negative to the NIR, and a lower NIR will prompt to increase the output and so is inflation.

In regarding with the effect of rest of the world, we conclude that the world demand shocks would decrease output and interest rate in company with an increase in inflation and an exchange rate depreciation. Since world output shocks lower domestic potential output (equation (52)), we can see that the excess demand arises in equation (59), and as a result, inflation will be increased. By the monetary policy rule, these permanently increasing inflation leads central bank to raise NIR; however, on the other hand, an decreasing output lowers NIR due to this rule, so in Mongolian economy, the lowering effects dominate the increasing effect, and at the end the NIR decreases. An positive shock in world price inflation appreciate exchange rate (equation (61)) and raise inflation because the central bank reacts to this negative changes and to try to keep NIR without changes.

In the next, we answer two hypothesis described in the beginning of this section. We estimate two models,  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0^2$ . In order to find answer we test the following two set of hypothesis by computing the posterior odds ratio, respectively. The results are reported in Table 4.4.

Table 4.4: Posterior odds

	Log marginal data densities		Odds
	$\mathcal{M}_0^j$	$\mathcal{M}_1$	
Inflation target hypothesis ( $j = 1$ )	-1044.84	-1045.41	1.7653
Exchange rate hypothesis ( $j = 2$ )	-1082.57	-1045.41	0.0000

Notes: The table reports posterior odds of the hypothesis  $H_0$  vs  $H_1$ , assuming that the prior odds are one.

For the inflation target hypothesis, the marginal data density of the restricted model is 0.5683 smaller on a log-scale which translates into posterior odds ratios of 1.7653. If we calculate the posterior model probability as described in the above, we have

$$p(\mathcal{M}_0^1|Y^T) = \frac{PO_{01}^1}{1 + PO_{01}^1} = \frac{1.7653}{1 + 1.7653} \approx 63.84\%$$

$$p(\mathcal{M}_1|Y^T) = 1 - p(\mathcal{M}_0^1|Y^T) \approx 36.16\%$$

The result says that the optimal model for the observation is  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  means that the BoM does not concern the inflation target rate when setting the nominal interest rate.

In case of the exchange rate hypothesis, the marginal data density of the model is 37.16 larger on a log-scale which translates into a posterior odds ratio of almost zero ( $7e - 17$ ), and the corresponding posterior model probability is:

$$p(\mathcal{M}_0^2|Y^T) = \frac{PO_{01}^2}{1 + PO_{01}^2} = \frac{0.0000}{1 + 0.0000} \approx 0.00\%$$

$$p(\mathcal{M}_1|Y^T) = 1 - p(\mathcal{M}_0^2|Y^T) \approx 100.00\%$$

The result says that, in this case, the optimal model for the observation is  $\mathcal{M}_1$

which is  $\psi_3 > 0$ . This leads us to conclude that the BoM pays very close attention to exchange rate movements when they are formulating their monetary policy in the Taylor-type rule.

## 4.5 Robustness

In general, there are two main approaches to robustness in the DSGE literature, i) to estimate in parallel a VAR (or a BVAR) and ii) to compare priors and posteriors within the DSGE model to assess mean and standard deviation, and overall reasonableness.

We use a second type of robustness approach based on the main restriction of the unit substitution elasticity assumption. We modified the prior on the elasticity due to the assumption; thus, we assess the robustness of the baseline results by relaxing the priors on  $\tau$ . Since we chose  $\tau = 0.90$  or a relatively high value in the estimation section, now we decrease this value to 0.80, 0.70, 0.50, and 0.30 and re-estimate the model on these alternative values of  $\tau$  and all other priors are same as in the baseline model (Table 4.1). Table 4.5 provides information about the alternative priors and the resulted posteriors.

If we compare alternative estimates to the corresponding baseline estimates, we can see that the estimates of the  $\tau$  are decreasing or shifted same direction in response to the prior mean changes. The estimated values of  $\tau$ s are close to the corresponding priors and sensitive to the changes in the prior mean. However, the differences in other policy parameter estimates are a relatively small; therefore, there would be no drastic changes in the conclusions based on the baseline posterior estimates.

Table 4.5: Alternative priors and posteriors for Mongolia

Name	Domain	Density	Prior mean (with st.dev 0.05)				
			Baseline	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4
$\tau$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.90	0.80	0.70	0.50	0.30

Name	Posterior mean				
	Baseline	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4
$\psi_1$	1.0636	1.1073	1.0660	1.0815	1.1900
$\psi_2$	0.1764	0.2088	0.1901	0.1689	0.1700
$\psi_3$	0.7048	0.7017	0.7133	0.7255	0.7562
$\rho_R$	0.8862	0.8884	0.8908	0.8847	0.8923
$\varepsilon_R$	0.6571	0.6638	0.6735	0.6703	0.6508
$\kappa$	3.5937	3.5774	3.6607	3.5682	3.5471
$\tau$	<b>0.8419</b>	<b>0.7701</b>	<b>0.6903</b>	<b>0.4771</b>	<b>0.2700</b>
$\alpha$	0.8922	0.8771	0.8751	0.8750	0.8725
$\rho_a$	0.7818	0.7949	0.8111	0.7919	0.7900
$\rho_s$	0.1716	0.1632	0.1602	0.1841	0.1700
$\rho_\pi$	0.9963	0.9966	0.9959	0.9949	0.9965
$\rho_{y^*}$	0.8448	0.9791	0.8299	0.7813	0.8122
$\rho_{\pi^*}$	0.3314	0.3287	0.3396	0.3284	0.3179
$\varepsilon_a$	1.8149	1.6514	1.4951	1.6096	1.7331
$\varepsilon_s$	12.2025	12.1504	12.12428	12.0422	12.1314
$\varepsilon_\pi$	0.2185	0.2150	0.2153	0.2144	0.2237
$\varepsilon_{y^*}$	36.2324	23.5542	14.1405	5.7761	2.3431
$\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$	5.0084	5.0693	5.0563	5.0994	4.9581

## 5 Conclusion

In this chapter, we estimate the modified small-scale DSGE of SOE setting using Bayesian methods for the Mongolian data. In order to answer to proposed hypothesis, we modified a generic Taylor-rule to one that consistent with the current Mongolian monetary policy regime.

Our main conclusion is that the BoM do not concern the time-varying inflation target rates on its policy rates and the BoM responds to exchange rate movements systematically. Our findings suggest that Mongolia is a managed flexible exchange rate regime country and the CPI inflation-based Taylor rule (CITR, for short) forms the current effective policy rule. Moreover, the shocks of the ToT do not have a significant contribution to the business cycle and stands in consistent with the fact that the ToT has a less than 10 percent explanatory power.

As consistent with [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#), we agree that our used model may be misspecified because of the lack of imperfect pass-through of NER changes into domestic import prices and our assumption of exogenous ToT movements. Moreover, our finding that the ToT has an almost negligible influence in the output is a conflicted result with studies based on VAR, in particular, calibration studies. The model has a weak endogenous transmission mechanism on the ToT; thus, introducing additional dynamics through capital accumulation, different production sectors and internationally incomplete asset markets would prove that the ToT's different character.



## 6 Appendix 1

Table A.1: Inflation target rates and Monetary and Exchange rate regimes of Mongolia, 2000-2014

	Bank of Mongolia		IMF	
	Inflation target (%)	Exchange rate policy	Exchange rate regime	Monetary policy framework
2000	15			
2001	max 9	Managed flexible		
2002	6–8	Managed flexible	Managed floating with no pre-announced path	IMF-supported or other monetary program
2003	5	Managed flexible		
2004	5	Flexible		Monetary aggregate target
2005	5			
2006	7–9	Floating	Conventional pegged arrangement	Exchange rate anchor
2007	5	Floating		
2008	6	Managed floating	Floating	Monetary aggregate target
2009	max 9	Managed floating	Floating	
2010	max 9	Managed floating		
2011	max 9			
2012	max 9	Managed floating	Floating	Monetary aggregate target
2013	8	Managed floating	Floating	Monitor various monetary indicators
2014	7	Managed floating		

## The results by Calvo and Reinhart (2002) approach

Figure A.1: Variability of interest rates against exchange rate changes of Mongolia

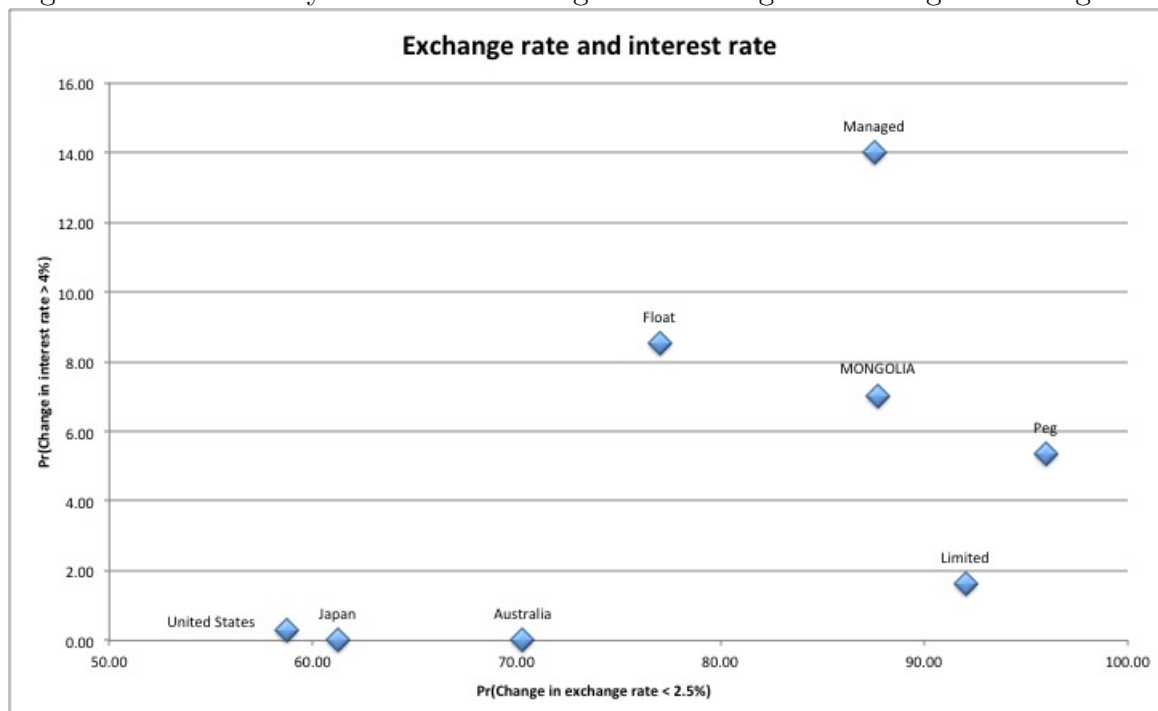
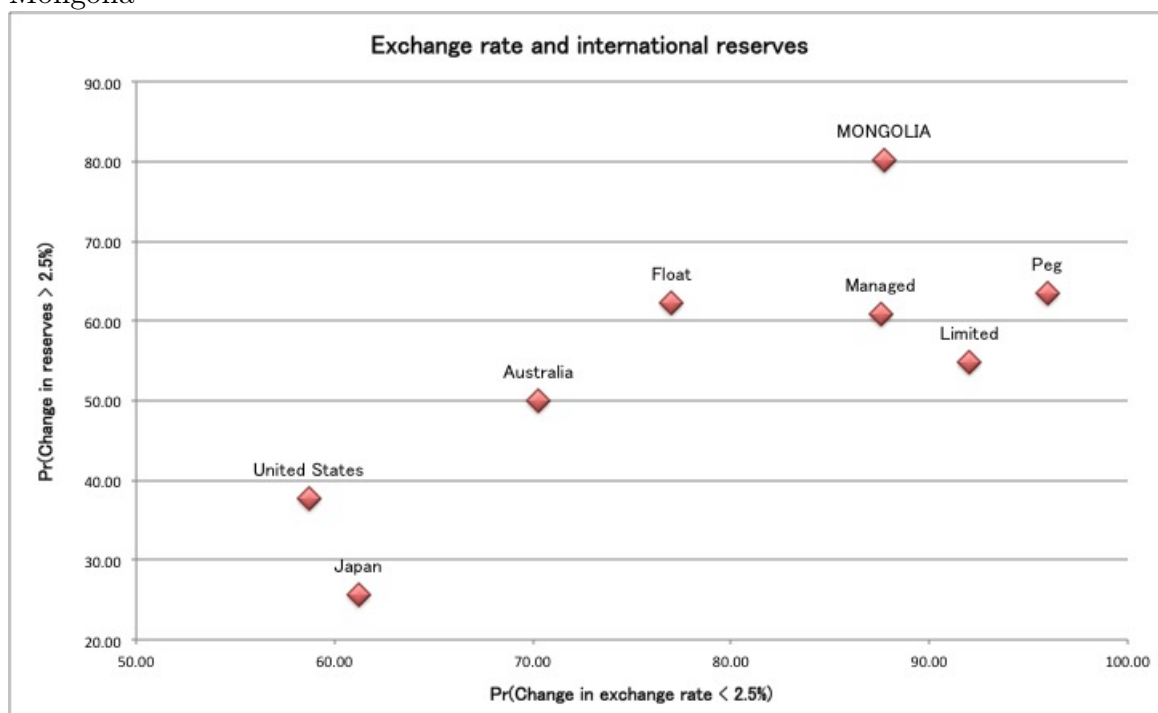


Figure A.2: Variability of international reserves against exchange rate changes of Mongolia



## 7 Appendix 2

In this appendix, we show the derivations of the main structural equations and how to transfer those into the log-linear type.

### Optimal allocation condition

In this section, we show the derivations of equations from (4) and (7). In order to find these, we use the following optimal allocation condition for goods that maximizing the utility in the given expenditure.

$$\frac{MU_i}{MU_j} = \frac{p_i}{p_j}$$

In our model,

$$U(C_t, N_t) = \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right)$$

$$C_t = \left[ (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} + \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} \right]^{\frac{\eta}{\eta-1}}$$

$$C_{h,t} = \left( \int_0^1 C_{h,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$$

$$C_{h,t} = \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} di \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$$

$$C_{i,t} = \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$$

Thus, the marginal utilities for each goods become

$$MU_{C_{h,t}} = \frac{dU}{dC_{h,t}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{h,t}}$$

$$MU_{C_{h,t}(j)} = \frac{dU}{dC_{h,t}(j)} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{h,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{h,t}}{\partial C_{h,t}(j)} = MU_{C_{h,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{h,t}}{\partial C_{h,t}(j)}$$

$$MU_{C_{f,t}} = \frac{dU}{dC_{f,t}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{f,t}}$$

$$MU_{C_{i,t}} = \frac{dU}{dC_{i,t}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{f,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{f,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}} = MU_{C_{f,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{f,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}}$$

$$MU_{C_{i,t}(j)} = \frac{dU}{dC_{i,t}(j)} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{f,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{f,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{i,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)} = MU_{C_{i,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{i,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)}$$

In order to find the marginal utilities we need to find each partial derivatives separately.

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} = \frac{\cancel{(\eta-1)}^\sigma}{\cancel{(\eta-1)}^\sigma} C_t^{-\sigma} = C_t^{-\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{h,t}} &= \left( \frac{\cancel{\eta}}{\cancel{\eta-1}} \right) \left[ (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} + \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\eta-1}} \left( \frac{\cancel{\eta-1}}{\cancel{\eta}} \right) (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \\ &= (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C_{h,t}}{\partial C_{h,t}(j)} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial C_{h,t}(j)} \left( \int_0^1 C_{h,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} = \left( \frac{\cancel{\varepsilon}}{\cancel{\varepsilon-1}} \right) \left( \int_0^1 C_{h,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon-1}} \\ &\quad \cdot \left( \frac{\cancel{\varepsilon-1}}{\cancel{\varepsilon}} \right) C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \\ &= C_{h,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{f,t}} &= \left( \frac{\cancel{\eta}}{\cancel{\eta-1}} \right) \left[ (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} + \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{\frac{\eta-1}{\eta}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\eta-1}} \cdot \left( \frac{\cancel{\eta-1}}{\cancel{\eta}} \right) \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \\ &= \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial C_{f,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial C_{i,t}} \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} di \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} = \left( \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \right) \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} di \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} \left( \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \right) C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}} \\ &= C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial C_{i,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)} \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} = \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1} \right) \left( \int_0^1 C_{i,t}(j)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon-1}} \\ &\quad \cdot \left( \frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon} \right) C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \\ &= C_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}\end{aligned}$$

Then, the marginal utilities become

$$MU_{C_{h,t}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{h,t}} = C_t^{-\sigma} \cdot (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} = (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}MU_{C_{h,t}(j)} &= MU_{C_{h,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{h,t}}{\partial C_{h,t}(j)} = (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \cdot C_{h,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \\ &= (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{h,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}\end{aligned}$$

$$MU_{C_{f,t}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial C_t} \cdot \frac{\partial C_t}{\partial C_{f,t}} = C_t^{-\sigma} \cdot \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}MU_{C_{i,t}} &= MU_{C_{f,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{f,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\eta}} \cdot C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}} \\ &= \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
MU_{C_{i,t}(j)} &= MU_{C_{i,t}} \cdot \frac{\partial C_{i,t}}{\partial C_{i,t}(j)} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}} \cdot C_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \\
&= \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\gamma}} C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}
\end{aligned}$$

Define  $P_{h,t}$ ,  $P_{h,t}(j)$ ,  $P_{f,t}$ ,  $P_{i,t}$ , and  $P_{i,t}(j)$  as prices of the goods, then the optimal allocation conditions for each two goods, which are described in the model, become

- $C_{h,t}$  and  $C_{h,t}(j)$ :

$$\frac{MU_{C_{h,t}(j)}}{MU_{C_{h,t}}} = \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}}$$

$$\frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} = \frac{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{h,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}}{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{h,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\eta}}}} = \frac{C_{h,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}{C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}} = \left( \frac{C_{h,t}(j)}{C_{h,t}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$$

$$\left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} = \frac{C_{h,t}(j)}{C_{h,t}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_{h,t}(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t}$$

- $C_{i,t}$  and  $C_{i,t}(j)$ :

$$\frac{MU_{C_{i,t}(j)}}{MU_{C_{i,t}}} = \frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}}$$

$$\frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}} = \frac{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\gamma}} C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}}{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}-\sigma} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}-\frac{1}{\gamma}}}} = \frac{C_{i,t}(j)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}{C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}} = \left( \frac{C_{i,t}(j)}{C_{i,t}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$$

$$\left( \frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} = \frac{C_{i,t}(j)}{C_{i,t}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_{i,t}(j) = \left( \frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{i,t}$$

- $C_{f,t}$  and  $C_{i,t}$ :

$$\frac{MU_{C_{i,t}}}{MU_{C_{f,t}}} = \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}}$$

$$\frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}} = \frac{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}} C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \frac{1}{\sigma}} C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}}{\cancel{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}} \cancel{C_{f,t}^{\frac{1}{\eta}}}} = \frac{C_{i,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}}{C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}} = \left( \frac{C_{i,t}}{C_{f,t}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}$$

$$\left( \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}} \right)^{-\sigma} = \frac{C_{i,t}}{C_{f,t}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_{i,t} = \left( \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}} \right)^{-\sigma} C_{f,t}$$

- $C_t$  and  $C_{h,t}$ :

$$\frac{MU_{C_{h,t}}}{MU_{C_t}} = \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t}$$

$$\frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} = \frac{(1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} \cancel{C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}}{\cancel{C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}}} = (1-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{h,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}} = \left[ \frac{C_{h,t}}{(1-\alpha)C_t} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}$$

$$\left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\sigma} = \frac{C_{h,t}}{(1-\alpha)C_t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_{h,t} = (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\sigma} C_t$$

- $C_t$  and  $C_{f,t}$ :

$$\frac{MU_{C_{f,t}}}{MU_{C_t}} = \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_t}$$

$$\frac{P_{f,t}}{P_t} = \frac{\alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} \cancel{C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}}{\cancel{C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta} - \sigma}}} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_t^{\frac{1}{\eta}} C_{f,t}^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}} = \left[ \frac{C_{f,t}}{\alpha C_t} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\sigma}}$$

$$\left( \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\sigma} = \frac{C_{f,t}}{\alpha C_t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_{h,t} = \alpha \left( \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\sigma} C_t$$

## Consumption of domestic, imported, and country $i$ 's goods

- Consumption of domestic goods:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{h,t}(j) &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_{h,t}(j)} \right)^{\varepsilon} C_{h,t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad P_{h,t}(j)C_{h,t}(j) = P_{h,t}^{\varepsilon} P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} \end{aligned}$$

Taking integration from the both sides gives:

$$\int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)C_{h,t}(j)dj = \left( \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right) P_{h,t}^{\varepsilon} C_{h,t}$$

From the domestic price index, we have

$$P_{h,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj = P_{h,t}^{1-\varepsilon}$$

So,

$$\int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)C_{h,t}(j)dj = P_{h,t}^{1-\varepsilon} P_{h,t}^{\varepsilon} C_{h,t} = P_{h,t} C_{h,t}$$

- Consumption of country  $i$ 's goods:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{i,t}(j) &= \left( \frac{P_{i,t}(j)}{P_{i,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{i,t} \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{i,t}(j)} \right)^{\varepsilon} C_{i,t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad P_{i,t}(j)C_{i,t}(j) = P_{i,t}^{\varepsilon} P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} C_{i,t} \end{aligned}$$

Taking integration from the both sides gives:

$$\int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)C_{i,t}(j)dj = \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right) (P_{i,t})^{\varepsilon} C_{i,t}$$



From the price index for goods imported from country  $i$ , we have

$$P_{i,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \Rightarrow \int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj = P_{i,t}^{1-\varepsilon}$$

So,

$$\int_0^1 P_{i,t}(j) C_{i,t}(j) dj = P_{i,t}^{1-\varepsilon} P_{i,t}^{\varepsilon} C_{i,t} = P_{i,t} C_{i,t}.$$

- Consumption of imported goods:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{i,t} &= \left( \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{f,t}} \right)^{-\gamma} C_{f,t} \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_{i,t}} \right)^{\gamma} C_{f,t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad P_{i,t} C_{i,t} = P_{f,t}^{\gamma} P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} C_{f,t} \end{aligned}$$

Taking integration from the both sides gives:

$$\int_0^1 P_{i,t} C_{i,t} di = \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di \right) P_{f,t}^{\gamma} C_{f,t}$$

From the price index for imported goods, we have

$$P_{f,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} \Rightarrow \int_0^1 P_{i,t}^{1-\gamma} di = P_{f,t}^{1-\gamma}$$

So,

$$\int_0^1 P_{i,t} C_{i,t} di = P_{f,t}^{1-\gamma} P_{f,t}^{\gamma} C_{f,t} = P_{f,t} C_{f,t}$$

## Log-linearization of the Euler equation

With respect to the Euler equation, we define the following:

- $\rho \equiv -\ln(\beta)$
- $r_t \equiv -\ln(Q_{t,t+1})$
- $\Delta c_{t+1} \equiv c_{t+1} - c_t \equiv \ln C_{t+1} - \ln C_t = \ln \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)$
- $\pi_{t+1} \equiv p_{t+1} - p_t \equiv \ln P_{t+1} - \ln P_t = \ln \left( \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right)$

Using these, (11) can be rewritten to:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= E_t \left[ e^{\ln \left( \beta Q_{t,t+1}^{-1} \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right)^{-\sigma} \frac{P_t}{P_{t+1}} \right)} \right] = E_t \left( e^{\ln \beta - \ln Q_{t,t+1} - \sigma \ln \left( \frac{C_{t+1}}{C_t} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{P_{t+1}}{P_t} \right)} \right) \\ &= E_t \left( e^{-\rho + r_t - \sigma \Delta c_{t+1} - \pi_{t+1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

It is clear from the equation above that  $-\rho = -r + \sigma\gamma + \pi$  in steady state where  $\gamma \equiv \Delta c$ . Thus, a first-order Taylor expansion of the Euler equation around steady-state yields:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= E_t \left( e^{-\rho + r_t - \sigma \Delta c_{t+1} - \pi_{t+1}} \right) \approx E_t [1 + (\rho - r) + (r_t - r) - \sigma (\Delta c_{t+1} - \gamma) - (\pi_{t+1} - \pi)] \\ 1 &= (1 - r + \sigma\gamma + \pi) + (r_t - \sigma E_t \{ \Delta c_{t+1} \} - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \}) \\ \lambda &= \lambda - \rho + r_t - \sigma E_t \{ \Delta c_{t+1} \} - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} \\ 0 &= -\rho + r_t - \sigma E_t \{ c_{t+1} \} + \sigma E_t \{ c_t \} - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} \\ \sigma c_t &= -r_t + \rho + E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} + \sigma E_t \{ c_{t+1} \} \\ c_t &= E_t \{ c_{t+1} \} - \frac{1}{\sigma} (r_t - E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} - \rho) \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to equation (12) in the text.

## Firm's marginal cost

Firm  $i$ 's problem becomes:

$$\max_{P_{h,t}(j)} \left\{ P_{h,t}(j) Y_t(j) - \frac{W_t}{P_{h,t}} N_t(j) \right\}$$

If we substitute  $Y_t(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} Y_t$  and  $N_t(j) = \frac{Y_t(j)}{A_t}$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{P_{h,t}(j)} & \left\{ P_{h,t}(j) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} Y_t - \frac{W_t}{P_{h,t}} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \frac{Y_t}{A_t} \right\} \\ \Rightarrow \max_{P_{h,t}(j)} & \left\{ Y_t \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( P_{h,t}(j) - \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The FOC is:

$$(-\varepsilon) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon-1} \frac{Y_t}{P_{h,t}} \left( P_{h,t}(j) - \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} \right) + Y_t \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} = 0$$

$$\cancel{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\cancel{\varepsilon}} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\cancel{Y_t}}{P_{h,t}} \left( P_{h,t}(j) - \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} \right) = \cancel{Y_t} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\cancel{\varepsilon}}$$

$$\varepsilon \frac{\cancel{P_{h,t}}}{P_{h,t}(j)} \frac{1}{\cancel{P_{h,t}}} \left( P_{h,t}(j) - \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} \right) = 1$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{P_{h,t}(j)} \left( P_{h,t}(j) - \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} \right) = 1$$

$$\varepsilon - \frac{\varepsilon}{P_{h,t}(j)} \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{P_{h,t}(j)} \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}}$$

$$P_{h,t}(j) = \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - 1} \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}}$$

Let  $\tau$  denote the rate at which the cost of employment is subsidized, and let outlays associated with the subsidy be financed by a lump-sum tax. If the subsidy is set to

$\tau = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ , then  $(1 - \tau) = 1 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon}$ . Then,

$$P_{h,t}^*(j) = \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - 1} \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}} = (1 - \tau)^{-1} \frac{W_t}{A_t P_{h,t}}$$

The optimal price of the monopolistic firm equals to their marginal cost, so the log-linearized form becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} mc_t &= -\ln(1 - \tau) + w_t - p_{h,t} - a_t \\ &= -\nu + w_t - p_{h,t} - a_t \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nu = \ln(1 - \tau)$ . This result corresponds to equation (30) in the text.

## The log-linearized aggregate production function

As same as shown in the above, we can define the demand function for  $Y_t(j)$  as follows:

$$Y_t(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} Y_t$$

Then, rearranging gives:

$$\frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon}$$

and taking the integration from the both sides gives:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj$$

So,  $Z_t = \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{Y_t} dj$  becomes:

$$Z_t = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj$$

Recall that the domestic price index is given as  $P_{h,t} \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$  and rearranging gives:

$$1 = \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} = \left( \int_0^1 e^{(1-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$$

$$1 = \int_0^1 e^{(1-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})} dj$$

A second-order approximation of this gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\approx \int_0^1 \left[ e^0 + e^0(1-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t}) + \frac{1}{2}e^0(1-\varepsilon)^2(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 \right] dj \\ &\approx 1 + (1-\varepsilon) \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t}) dj + \frac{(1-\varepsilon)^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj \\ &\approx 1 - (1-\varepsilon)p_{h,t} + (1-\varepsilon) \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{(1-\varepsilon)^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow (1 - \varepsilon)p_{h,t} &\approx (1 - \varepsilon) \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj \\ \Rightarrow p_{h,t} &\approx \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $p_{h,t} \approx \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj$  up to a first-order approximation.

Now, let us do a second-order approximation of  $Z_t = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj$ :

$$\begin{aligned}Z_t &= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj = \int_0^1 [e^{(-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})}] dj \\ &\approx e^0 + \int_0^1 e^0 (-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t}) dj + \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} (-\varepsilon)^2 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 \right) dj \\ &\approx 1 + \int_0^1 (-\varepsilon)(p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t}) dj + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj \\ &\approx 1 + \varepsilon p_{h,t} - \varepsilon \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj\end{aligned}$$

If we substitute  $p_{h,t} \approx \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}&\approx 1 + \varepsilon \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)\varepsilon}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj - \varepsilon \int_0^1 p_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj \\ &\approx 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj [(1 - \varepsilon) + \varepsilon] \\ &\approx 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_0^1 (p_{h,t}(j) - p_{h,t})^2 dj\end{aligned}$$

From this result, we can conclude that up to the first-order approximation  $Z_t = 1$  and this implies that:

$$z_t = \ln Z_t = \ln 1 = 0$$

So, the log-linearized aggregate production function becomes:

$$y_t = a_t + n_t$$

which corresponds to equation (31) in the text.

## Aggregate demand and output

In this section we show how to derive equations (37) and (39).

Plugging (36) into the definition of aggregate domestic output  $Y_t \equiv \left[ \int_0^1 Y_t(j)^{1-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}}$  and solve out:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &= \left\{ \int_0^1 \left( \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right\}^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} \\
&= \left\{ \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon \frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} dj \right] \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon-1}{\varepsilon}} \right\}^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} \\
&= \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \\
&= P_{h,t}^\varepsilon \left[ \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon-1}} \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \\
&= P_{h,t}^\varepsilon \left( \left[ \int_0^1 P_{h,t}(j)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \\
&= P_{h,t}^\varepsilon P_{h,t}^{-\varepsilon} \left[ (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di \right] \\
&= (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i} \right)^{-\gamma} \left( \frac{P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i} \right)^{-\eta} C_t^i di
\end{aligned}$$

Next, factorize out the elements in the integral and insert for  $Q_{i,t} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_t^i}{P_t}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &= (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 P_{h,t}^{-\gamma} \mathcal{E}_{i,t}^\gamma (P_{f,t}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} (P_t^i)^\eta C_t^i di \\
&= (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 P_{h,t}^{-\gamma+\eta} P_{h,t}^{-\eta} \mathcal{E}_{i,t}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{E}_{i,t}^\eta (P_{f,t}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} (P_t^i)^\eta C_t^i di \\
&= (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 P_{h,t}^{-\eta} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma-\eta} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_t^i}{P_t} \right)^\eta P_t^\eta C_t^i di \\
&= (1-\alpha) \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t + \alpha \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{h,t}} \right)^\eta \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma-\eta} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_t^i}{P_t} \right)^\eta C_t^i di \\
&= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} \left( (1-\alpha) C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma-\eta} Q_{i,t}^\eta C_t^i di \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Define the effective terms of trade for country  $i$  as:

$$\mathcal{S}_t^i \equiv \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_t^i}$$

Use this, and also insert for the bilateral terms of trade between the home economy and country  $i$ :  $\mathcal{S}_{i,t} = \frac{P_{i,t}}{P_{h,t}}$ , and for (20):

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} \left( (1 - \alpha) C_t + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} C_t di \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{i,t} P_{f,t}^i P_t^i}{P_t^i P_{h,t}} \right)^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_t^i \mathcal{S}_{i,t})^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to equation (37) in the text.

In order to log-linearize around symmetric steady states,  $Y_t = C_t = Y$ ,  $P_t = P_{h,t} = P$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_t^i = \mathcal{S}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_{i,t} = \mathcal{S}^i = 1$ , and  $\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} = \mathcal{Q}$ , we use the following formula.

$$f(x_t, y_t) = f(x, y) + f_x(x, y)(x_t - x) + f_y(x, y)(y_t - y)$$

Then, the corresponding FOCs are:

$$\begin{aligned} f(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= \left( \frac{P}{P} \right)^{-\eta} C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S} \mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\ &= C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
f_{P_{h,t}}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= -\eta \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta-1} \frac{1}{\bar{P}} C \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\
&= -\eta \frac{C}{\bar{P}} \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{P_t}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= -\eta \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta-1} \left(-\frac{P}{\bar{P}^2}\right) C \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\
&= \eta \frac{C}{\bar{P}} \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{C_t}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta} \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\
&= \left( (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathcal{S}_t^i}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= \alpha \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta} C \int_0^1 (\gamma-\eta) (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta-1} \mathcal{S}^i \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \\
&= \alpha (\gamma-\eta) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta-1} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathcal{S}_{i,t}}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= \alpha \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta} C \int_0^1 (\gamma-\eta) (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta-1} \mathcal{S} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \\
&= \alpha (\gamma-\eta) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathcal{Q}_{i,t}}(P, C, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^i, \mathcal{Q}) &= \alpha \left(\frac{P}{\bar{P}}\right)^{-\eta} C \int_0^1 \left(\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}\right) (\mathcal{S}\mathcal{S}^i)^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}-1} di \\
&= \alpha \left(\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}\right) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}-1} di
\end{aligned}$$

Then, the log-linearizing becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t \approx & \underbrace{C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right)}_Y + \\
& + \eta \frac{C}{P} \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) [(P_t - P) - (P_{h,t} - P)] + \\
& + \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) (C_t - C) + \\
& + \alpha (\gamma - \eta) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta-1} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di (\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S}) + \\
& + \alpha (\gamma - \eta) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di (\mathcal{S}_{i,t} - 1) + \\
& + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) C \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}-1} di (\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})
\end{aligned}$$

Here, in order to satisfy the steady-state values the following condition must be satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y &= C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \text{ where } Y = C \text{ then,} \\
\mathcal{Y} &= \mathcal{Y} \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right) \\
\mathcal{I} &= \mathcal{I} - \alpha + \alpha \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \\
\mathcal{A} &= \mathcal{A} \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \\
1 &= \int_0^1 \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di = \mathcal{S}^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}}
\end{aligned}$$

Then, the above log-linearizing becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &\approx Y + \eta \frac{C}{P} \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} \right) (P_t - P_{h,t}) + \\
&\quad + \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} \right) (C_t - C) \\
&\quad + \alpha (\gamma - \eta) C \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta - 1} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} (\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S}) + \\
&\quad + \alpha (\gamma - \eta) C \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} (\mathcal{S}_{i,t} - 1) + \\
&\quad + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) C \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} - 1} (\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t - Y &\approx C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} \right) \left[ \eta \frac{(P_t - P_{h,t})}{P} + \frac{(C_t - C)}{C} \right] + \\
&\quad + \alpha C \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} \left[ (\gamma - \eta) \frac{(\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S}} + (\gamma - \eta) \frac{(\mathcal{S}_{i,t} - 1)}{1} + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) \frac{(\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})}{\mathcal{Q}} \right] \\
&\approx C \left( (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}} \right) \left[ \eta \frac{(P_t - P_{h,t})}{P} + \frac{(C_t - C)}{C} \right] + \alpha C \left[ (\gamma - \eta) \frac{(\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S}} + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) \frac{(\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})}{\mathcal{Q}} \right] \\
&\approx Y \left( \eta \frac{(P_t - P_{h,t})}{P} + \frac{(C_t - C)}{C} + \alpha \left[ (\gamma - \eta) \frac{(\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S}} + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) \frac{(\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})}{\mathcal{Q}} \right] \right) \\
\frac{Y_t - Y}{Y} &\approx \eta \frac{(P_t - P_{h,t})}{P} + \frac{(C_t - C)}{C} + \alpha \left[ (\gamma - \eta) \frac{(\mathcal{S}_t^i - \mathcal{S})}{\mathcal{S}} + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) \frac{(\mathcal{Q}_{i,t} - \mathcal{Q})}{\mathcal{Q}} \right] \\
y_t - y &\approx \eta (p_t - p_{h,t}) + c_t - c + \alpha (\gamma - \eta) (s_t - s) + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) (q_t - q)
\end{aligned}$$

From  $Y = C$  and  $1 = \mathcal{S}^{\gamma - \eta} \mathcal{Q}^{\eta - \frac{1}{\sigma}}$ , we have

$$\ln Y = \ln C$$

$$y = c$$

$$\ln 1 = (\gamma - \eta) s + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q$$

$$0 = (\gamma - \eta) s + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q$$

Also, using equation (15):  $p_t - p_{h,t} = \alpha s_t$ , we have

$$y_t = c_t + \alpha \gamma s_t + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q_t + \underbrace{\alpha \eta s_t - \alpha \eta s_t - \alpha \left( (\gamma - \eta) s + \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q \right)}_{=0}$$

$$y_t = c_t + \alpha \gamma s_t + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q_t$$

which corresponds to the first row equation (39) in the text.

Next, insert for (18):

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= c_t + \alpha \gamma s_t + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) q_t \\ &= c_t + \alpha \gamma s_t + \alpha \left( \eta - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right) (1 - \alpha) s_t \\ &= c_t + \frac{\alpha}{\sigma} s_t (\sigma \gamma + (\eta \sigma - 1)(1 - \alpha)) \\ &= c_t + \frac{\alpha \omega}{\sigma} s_t \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to the second row equation in (39) in the text.  $\omega \equiv \sigma \gamma + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma \eta - 1)$

## Chapter III

# An essay on the monetary policy rule

## 8 Introduction

In general, the main goal of any central bank is to determine the optimal monetary policy and to implement it. In regarding with the central bank of Mongolia, the BoM, we proved that the current effective monetary policy rule is a CTR without inflation targeting rates in the previous Chapter II. It means that in the current Mongolian macroeconomic environment, which is expressed by the used DSGE model, this rule is an effective or more fitted on the observations. Then, we need to judge this rule in terms of the optimality in order to determine whether the BoM achieves its main goal or not. We can formalize the research questions as follows: Does the current effective policy rule in Mongolia, CTR, an optimal or not? If not what alternative policy rule would be the optimal for Mongolia?, and consequently, the main purpose of this chapter is to perform a welfare evaluation analysis of alternative policy rules for Mongolia.

We follow welfare analysis in [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) which shows one of the influential ways to derive the welfare criteria that solve for optimal monetary policy in open economy. It follow [Woodford \(2003\)](#) and find welfare loss function that is a sum of variations of the domestic inflation and the output gap with weights as a function of deep parameters. However, we show a different derivation way of this welfare loss function than in [Woodford \(2003\)](#).

Moreover, [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) shows that under specific restriction that involve a unit elasticity of substitution between bundles of goods produced in different countries, the optimal policy requires that the output gap and the domestic price level is fully stabilized. However, as proved in Chapter 4 of [Gali \(2016\)](#), this result

is associated with an indeterminate equilibrium, and hence, does not guarantee that the outcome of fully price stability is attained. As shown there, the indeterminacy problem can be avoided, and the uniqueness of the price stability outcome restored by having the central bank follow a rule that makes the interest rate respond with sufficient strength to deviations of domestic inflation and/or the output gap from target.

The current effective rule in Mongolia, CITR, satisfies this condition in somewhat dimension, but we do not know about its optimality. We then determine the alternative policy rules that can be compared to the rule by the relative welfare losses. In addition to the CITR, the domestic inflation-based Taylor-rule (DITR, for short) is a possible rule to implement, and we can expand alternative policy rules by imposing restrictions on the policy parameters.

We determine the optimal monetary policy rule by ranking corresponding welfare losses derived from the calculations based on the welfare loss function. We use a simulation analysis based on the same DSGE model, prior assumption, and posterior estimates that are used and obtained in Chapter II. Why we are using same things are i) we compare the CITR from the previous chapter to other rules and ii) we are only possible to compare the welfare results from alternative policy rules in a same economic environment.

The remainder of the chapter is organized as follows. In section 9 we summarize the important research papers that supporting our following model and approach. In section 10 we explain the optimality condition and its implications. Section 11 derives the function for welfare costs of deviations from the optimality conditions. In section 12, we perform welfare evaluation analysis of the alternative monetary policy rules. Section 13 contains our concludes.

## 9 Literature review

Clarida (2014) documents that there are two ways to specify the central bank's objective function that to solve for optimal monetary policy in open economy. The first way is an assumption - as in the much of the "pre-Woodford" international monetary literature - that the objective function is quadratic in inflation and the output gap with arbitrary weight, for example  $\alpha$ , on stabilizing output at its natural level. The second way is derived in Gali and Monacelli (2005), to follow Woodford (2003) and solve for  $\alpha$  - and thus the optimal policy rule - as a function of deep parameters.

Gali and Monacelli (2005) is one of illustration for a SOE of the recent frameworks that have adopted the staggered price setting structure of Calvo. Their analysis is based on producer currency pricing, complete asset markets, log utility of consumption, and a unit elasticity of substitution between domestic and foreign goods and replicating the flexible price equilibrium allocation through full stabilization of domestic prices is optimal. An extension of that framework, incorporating cost-push shocks and featuring tradeoffs can be found in Clarida et al. (2001). Erceg et al. (2009) analyze the role of openness in the transmission of shocks using a version of the Gali - Monacelli model that incorporates staggered wage setting.

Many papers examined the consequences on optimal monetary policy based on the benchmark assumptions of the Gali - Monacelli model. They show that, in order to improve welfare, how the size of the elasticity of substitution between domestic and foreign goods affects the extent to which the central bank wants to stabilize the exchange rate. The main result suggest that the central bank should design the optimal monetary policy departing from strict domestic inflation targeting. Campolmi (2014) introduces staggered wage setting in a small open economy. She shows that the presence of sticky wages generally makes CPI inflation targeting more desirable than domestic inflation targeting.

In contrast with the Gali - Monacelli framework, which study monetary policy in a small open economy, a number of papers have framed their analysis of monetary policy design in the context of two-country models with staggered price setting of Calvo. The papers by [Pappa \(2004\)](#) and [Benigno and Benigno \(2006\)](#) provide examples of that literature, with a special focus on the gains from cooperation, and under the assumption of producer currency pricing. [Engel \(2011\)](#) studies the implications for optimal monetary policy of assuming local currency pricing instead in an otherwise similar framework, showing how that modification warrants a focus on CPI rather than domestic price-stabilization. [Benigno \(2009\)](#) studies the implications of incomplete asset markets and financial imbalances in a similar environment, showing that those factors may justify a deviation from a strict domestic inflation targeting policy.



## 10 An optimality condition of the SOE model

In this section we characterize the condition for an optimal monetary policy on the SOE model. At the end of model section of Chapter II, we used simplification of parameter  $\eta = \gamma = 1$  in order to obtain the model determined in Lubik and Schorfheide (2007) which is estimated by the Bayesian technique in the section 4. By following Gali and Monacelli (2005) we set  $\sigma = 1$  in addition above restriction.

First we characterize the optimal allocation from the viewpoint of the social planner. The optimal allocation maximizes household utility (1) subject to the technological constraint (29), a consumption/output possibilities (20), and the market clearing condition (37), which is in the following form:

$$Y_t = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t} \right)^{-\eta} C_t \left[ (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_t^i \mathcal{S}_{i,t})^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right]$$

This constraint becomes  $Y_t = C_t \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha$  under the parameter restriction above<sup>10</sup>.

Then, the period optimization problem of the social planner follows as:

$$\max_{C_t, N_t} \left\{ E_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} U(C_t, N_t) \right\} \quad (73)$$

subject to

$$Y_t(j) \leq A_t N_t(j)$$

$$C_t = E_t \vartheta^i C_t^i \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\frac{1}{\sigma}}$$

$$Y_t = C_t \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha$$

It is useful to make the problem simpler by getting rid of some constraints. Insert  $\mathcal{S}_t = \left( \frac{C_t}{C_t^*} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$ <sup>11</sup> into output constraint above and combine with (40), which states that  $C_t^* = Y_t^*$ . The result is an equilibrium identity linking domestic consumption

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<sup>10</sup>Details are in the Appendix 3.

<sup>11</sup>Derivations are in the Appendix 3.

to domestic and world output:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &= C_t \left( \frac{C_t}{C_t^*} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} = C_t^{1+\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} (C_t^*)^{-\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} = C_t^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} (Y_t^*)^{-\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \\
\Rightarrow \quad C_t^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} &= Y_t (Y_t^*)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \\
C_t &= Y_t^{1-\alpha} (Y_t^*)^\alpha \tag{74}
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, to achieve an consumption expression useful to the social planner we insert (29) into (74) and use that the optimal allocation implies  $N_t(j) = N_t$  just as in the closed economy case:

$$C_t = (A_t N_t)^{1-\alpha} (Y_t^*)^\alpha \tag{75}$$

The period optimization problem of the social planner now becomes a problem in  $N_t$  only:

$$\max_{N_t} \left\{ E_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} U(C_t, N_t) \right\} = \max_{N_t} \left\{ E_0 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} U \left[ (A_t N_t)^{1-\alpha} (Y_t^*)^\alpha, N_t \right] \right\} \tag{76}$$

The FOC in terms of  $N_t$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
U_{C_t} (1 - \alpha) (A_t N_t)^{-\alpha} (Y_t^*)^\alpha A_t + U_{N_t} &= 0 \\
U_{C_t} (1 - \alpha) \frac{(A_t N_t)^{1-\alpha} (Y_t^*)^\alpha}{N_t} + U_{N_t} &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \quad -\frac{U_{N_t}}{U_{C_t}} &= (1 - \alpha) \frac{C_t}{N_t} \\
&= (1 - \alpha) MPN_t \tag{77}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the specified utility with  $\sigma = 1$ , which implies that  $U(C_t, N_t) = \ln C_t - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi}$ ,

the left hand-side (LHS) of (77) becomes:

$$\frac{N_t^\varphi}{\frac{1}{C_t}} = (1 - \alpha) \frac{C_t}{N_t}$$

$$\Rightarrow N_t^{1+\varphi} = 1 - \alpha$$

$$N_t = (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{1+\varphi}} \quad (78)$$

Thus, the optimal employment is constant.

From home firm's optimization problem in flexible price, free competition, we also have the following:

$$\max_{N_t} \{P_t Y_t - W_t N_t\} = \max_{N_t} \{P_t A_t N_t - W_t N_t\} \quad (79)$$

The FOC in terms of  $N_t$  gives us:

$$P_t A_t - W_t = 0$$

$$MPN_t \equiv A_t = \frac{W_t}{P_t} \quad (80)$$

From (77) and (80) we get the optimal allocation of domestic quantities in the economy:

$$-\frac{U_{N_t}}{U_{C_t}} = (1 - \alpha) MPN_t = (1 - \alpha) \frac{W_t}{P_t} \quad (81)$$

In order to do a comparison, we need determine the distortion in a market equilibrium where firms have monopolistic power, but where prices are flexible. This is what we refer to as the natural equilibrium (illustrated by under bar  $\bar{y}$ ). Home firms' maximization problem follows from firm production,  $C_{h,t}(j) = \left(\frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}}\right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t}$  given by equation (4), the aggregated version of  $Y_t(j) = A_t N_t(j)$  in equation (29), and finally market clearing conditions,  $\bar{Y}_t(j) = \bar{C}_t(j)$ . We know from the closed

economy case that monopolistic competition yields a distorted equilibrium which, in the absence of sticky prices, can be fixed by labor subsidy. Thus, we also add the labor subsidy with size yet to be determined:

$$\begin{aligned}
\max_{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \{ \bar{P}_{h,t}(j) \bar{Y}_t(j) - (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \bar{N}_t(j) \} &= \max_{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \left\{ \bar{P}_{h,t}(j) \bar{Y}_t(j) - (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \frac{\bar{Y}_t(j)}{A_t} \right\} \\
&= \max_{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \left\{ \bar{P}_{h,t}(j) \bar{C}_{h,t}(j) - (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \frac{\bar{C}_{h,t}(j)}{A_t} \right\} \\
&= \max_{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \left\{ \bar{P}_{h,t}(j) \left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \bar{C}_{h,t} - (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \frac{\left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \bar{C}_{h,t}}{A_t} \right\} \\
\Rightarrow \max_{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \left\{ \bar{P}_{h,t}(j) \left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} A_t \bar{N}_t - (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \bar{N}_t \right\} & \quad (82)
\end{aligned}$$

The FOC in terms of  $\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 - \varepsilon) \left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} A_t \bar{N}_t + (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \varepsilon \left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon-1} \bar{N}_t \frac{1}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} &= 0 \\
\left( \frac{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)}{\bar{P}_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \bar{N}_t [(1 - \varepsilon) A_t + \varepsilon (1 - \tau) \bar{W}_t \bar{P}_{h,t}^{-1}(j)] &= 0 \\
(1 - \tau) \frac{\bar{W}_t}{A_t \bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} &= \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon} \equiv \overline{MC}_t
\end{aligned}$$

The LHS can be written by inserting for (9) and the new aggregate output  $Y_t = C_t \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon} &= (1 - \tau) \frac{1}{A_t} \frac{\bar{P}_t}{\bar{P}_{h,t}(j)} \frac{\bar{W}_t}{\bar{P}_t} = -(1 - \tau) \frac{1}{A_t} \frac{\bar{Y}_t}{\bar{C}_t} \bar{C}_t \bar{N}_t^\varphi \\
&= -(1 - \tau) \frac{1}{A_t} \bar{N}_t \bar{N}_t^\varphi \\
&= -(1 - \tau) \bar{N}_t^{1+\varphi} \quad (83)
\end{aligned}$$

If we insert (78) to get the social planner's solution, the optimal subsidy is found as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon} &= (1 - \tau) \left[ (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{1+\varphi}} \right]^{1+\varphi} = (1 - \tau)(1 - \alpha) \\ \Rightarrow \tau &= 1 - \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon} \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} = \frac{\varepsilon(1 - \alpha) - \varepsilon + 1}{\varepsilon(1 - \alpha)} = \frac{1 - \alpha\varepsilon}{\varepsilon(1 - \alpha)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - \alpha \right) \end{aligned} \quad (84)$$

Note that (84) nests the closed economy case where  $\alpha = 0$  in which (84) collapses to  $\tau = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . In addition, and because  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ , a sufficiently open economy (and  $\varepsilon > 1$ ) implies a wage tax as the optimal fiscal policy instead of the subsidy.

With the optimal subsidy in place, and as in the closed economy, the optimal monetary policy requires stabilizing the output gap, i.e.  $x_t = 0$ . On the other hand, the optimal employment is a constant means that the total output tends to be stabilized at the optimal condition. Then, the NKPC given by (53) implies domestic prices are also stabilized under that optimal policy,  $\pi_{h,t} = 0$  for all  $t$ . Thus, in the special case under consideration,  $x_t = \pi_{h,t} = 0$  is the optimality conditions of a SOE model.

From the DIS equation (55) we see that  $x_t = \pi_{h,t} = 0$  implies  $r_t = rr_t^n$  in equilibrium, with all variables matching their natural levels at all times. As proved in Chapter 4 of Galí (2016), an interest rate rule of the form  $r_t = rr_t^n$  is associated with an indeterminate equilibrium, and hence, does not guarantee that the outcome of full price stability is attained or these results are not about an optimal policy. That result follows from the equivalence between the dynamical system describing the equilibrium of the SOE. As shown there, the indeterminacy problem can be avoided, and the uniqueness of the price stability outcome restored by having the central bank follow a rule that makes the interest rate respond with sufficient strength to deviations of domestic inflation and/or the output gap from target.

## 11 Welfare costs of deviations from the optimality conditions

In this section we will derive a welfare loss function that able to measure welfare deviations from the optimal conditions derived in the previous section.

Lets denote the period  $t$  utility as  $U_t \equiv U(C_t, N_t)$  and the steady state utility as  $U \equiv U(C, N)$ . We will use the following second order approximation of relative deviation in consumption from its steady state counterpart, where logged consumption is approximated around logged steady state consumption:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_t - C}{C} &= \frac{e^{\ln C_t} - C}{C} \approx \frac{e^{\ln C} - C}{C} + \frac{1}{C} e^{\ln C} (\ln C_t - \ln C) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{C} e^{\ln C} (\ln C_t - \ln C)^2 \\ &= \frac{C - C}{C} + \frac{1}{C} e^{\ln C} (c_t - c) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{C} e^{\ln C} (c_t - c)^2, \text{ since } e^{\ln C} = C \\ &= (c_t - c) + \frac{1}{2} (c_t - c)^2 \\ &= \bar{c}_t + \frac{1}{2} \bar{c}_t^2 \end{aligned}$$

The same kind of second order approximation is performed on labor  $N_t$ , so that:

$$\frac{N_t - N}{N} \approx \bar{n}_t + \frac{1}{2} \bar{n}_t^2$$

We need some more results as well. From (1) we have that<sup>12</sup>

$$-\frac{U_{CC}}{U_C} C = -\frac{-\sigma C^{-\sigma-1}}{C^{-\sigma}} C = \sigma$$

$$\frac{U_{NN}}{U_N} N = \frac{\varphi N^{\varphi-1}}{N^\varphi} N = \frac{\varphi N^{\varphi-1+1}}{N^\varphi} = \varphi$$

and from the market clearing condition we have that  $\bar{c}_t = \bar{y}_t$ . Using all these results, a second-order Taylor approximation of  $U_t$  around steady state  $(C, N)$  leads us to

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<sup>12</sup>Details are in the Appendix 3.

the following criterion for welfare losses:

$$\begin{aligned}
U_t - U &\approx U_C C \frac{C_t - C}{C} + U_N N \frac{N_t - N}{N} + \frac{1}{2} U_{CC} C^2 \left( \underbrace{\frac{C_t - C}{C}}_{\approx \ln C_t - \ln C} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} U_{NN} N^2 \left( \underbrace{\frac{N_t - N}{N}}_{\approx \ln N_t - \ln N} \right)^2 \\
&\approx U_C C \left( \bar{c}_t + \frac{1}{2} \bar{c}_t^2 \right) + U_N N \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} U_{CC} C^2 \bar{c}_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} U_{NN} N^2 \bar{n}_t^2 \\
&\approx U_C C \left( \bar{c}_t + \frac{1 + \frac{U_{CC} C}{U_C}}{2} \bar{c}_t^2 \right) + U_N N \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1 + \frac{U_{NN} N}{U_N}}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx \bar{c}_t + \frac{1 + \frac{U_{CC} C}{U_C}}{2} \bar{c}_t^2 + \frac{U_N N}{U_C C} \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1 + \frac{U_{NN} N}{U_N}}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) \quad (85)
\end{aligned}$$

Our goal is to find a way to express (85) in terms of steady state deviations only, that is with the gap in output from natural output and the gap in inflation from zero inflation. The way to such a representation contains several steps. First, notice that in the special case considered here, (41) can be rewritten to:

$$s_t = y_t - y_t^*$$

where we have used that the parameter restrictions above implies:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_\alpha &\equiv \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\omega - 1)} = \frac{\sigma}{1 + \alpha(\sigma\gamma + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1) - 1)} \\
&= \frac{1}{1 + \alpha(1 + (1 - \alpha)(1 - 1) - 1)} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, (22) becomes:

$$c_t = c_t^* + (1 - \alpha) s_t = c_t^* + (1 - \alpha) (y_t - y_t^*) = (1 - \alpha) y_t + \alpha y_t^* \quad (86)$$

Insert (86) into (85) and use that  $\frac{U_{CC}}{U_C} C = -1$  (where  $\sigma = 1$ ) in the log consumption case:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx (1 - \alpha) \bar{y}_t + \alpha \bar{y}_t^* + \frac{1 - 1}{2} ((1 - \alpha) \bar{y}_t + \alpha \bar{y}_t^*)^2 + \frac{U_N}{U_C} \frac{N}{C} \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) \\ &\approx (1 - \alpha) \bar{y}_t + \frac{U_N}{U_C} \frac{N}{C} \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) + t.i.p \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

where  $t.i.p \equiv \alpha \bar{y}_t^*$  stands for terms independent of policy.

The next step is to rewrite  $\bar{n}_t$  as a function of the output gap and price dispersion. From the production function (29),  $N_t(j) = \frac{Y_t(j)}{A_t}$ . Thus, using (4), market clearing in the labor market and the goods market requires:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Labor clearing: } N_t &= \int_0^1 N_t(j) dj \\ \text{Market clearing: } Y_t(j) &= C_{h,t}(j) + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i(j) di \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
N_t &= \int_0^1 N_t(j) dj = \int_0^1 \frac{Y_t(j)}{A_t} dj = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{C_{h,t}(j) + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i(j) di}{A_t} \right) dj \\
&= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} + \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t}^i di}{A_t} \right) dj, \text{ since } C_{h,t}^i(j) = \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t}^i \\
&= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} C_{h,t} + \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i di}{A_t} \right) dj \\
&= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} \left( \frac{C_{h,t} + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i di}{A_t} \right) dj \\
&= \left( \frac{C_{h,t} + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i di}{A_t} \right) \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj \\
&= \frac{Y_t}{A_t} \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj
\end{aligned}$$

where,  $Y_t = C_{h,t} + \int_0^1 C_{h,t}^i di$  which means that the total domestic production is sum of the total domestic consumption and total domestic export. Then, we have the following log-linear expression.

$$\Rightarrow n_t = y_t - a_t + \ln \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj \right] = y_t - a_t + d_t \quad (88)$$

The next step is to get an alternative expression for  $d_t$ . In the welfare analysis we do a second-order approximation. Thus, while we earlier found that  $d_t \approx 0$  up to a first-order, this result can no longer be used. The following second-order approximation of  $\left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{1-\varepsilon}$  will be useful, where  $P_{h,t}(j) = P_{h,t}$  or  $\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) \equiv p_{h,t}(j) -$

$p_{h,t}$  is approximated around zero.

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{1-\varepsilon} &= e^{(1-\varepsilon)\bar{p}_{h,t}(j)} \approx e^0 + e^0(1-\varepsilon)\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{1}{2}e^0(1-\varepsilon)^2\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \\ &= 1 + (1-\varepsilon)\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon)^2\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \end{aligned} \quad (89)$$

Note that from the definition of  $P_t \equiv \left( \int_0^1 P_t^{1-\varepsilon}(j) dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$ , we have that  $1 = \left( \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_t(j)}{P_t} \right)^{1-\varepsilon} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon}}$ . Thus, when taking expectations on both sides of the above, where  $E_j$  denotes the expectations operator with respect to good  $j$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} E_j \left[ \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right]^{1-\varepsilon} &\approx E_j \left[ 1 + (1-\varepsilon)\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon)^2\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \right] \\ 1 &\approx 1 + (1-\varepsilon)E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}(j)] + \frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon)^2 E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \\ \Rightarrow E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}(j)] &\approx -\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] = -\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) \end{aligned} \quad (90)$$

The price dispersion is denoted  $\text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j))$ . Next, let us do a second-order approximation of  $\left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon}$  in  $d_t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} &= e^{-\varepsilon\bar{p}_{h,t}(j)} \approx e^0 - \varepsilon e^0\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{1}{2}(-\varepsilon)^2 e^0\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \\ &\approx 1 - \varepsilon\bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \end{aligned} \quad (91)$$

Finally, insert (90) and (91) into the expression of  $d_t$  to get the following second-

order approximation:

$$\begin{aligned}
d_t &= \ln \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{P_{h,t}(j)}{P_{h,t}} \right)^{-\varepsilon} dj \right] \approx \ln \left\{ \int_0^1 \left( 1 - \varepsilon \bar{p}_{h,t}(j) + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^2 \bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) \right) dj \right\} \\
&\approx \ln \left\{ \int_0^1 1 dj - \varepsilon \int_0^1 \bar{p}_{h,t}(j) dj + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \int_0^1 \bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j) dj \right\} \\
&\approx \ln \left( 1 - \varepsilon E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}(j)] + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \right) \\
&\approx \ln \left( 1 - \varepsilon \left( -\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \right) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \right) \\
&\approx \ln \left( 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \right) \\
&\approx \ln \left( 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} E_j [\bar{p}_{h,t}^2(j)] \right) \\
&\approx \ln \left[ 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j (p_{h,t}(j)) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have that (when  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j (p_{h,t}(j)) \rightarrow 0$ )

$$d_t \approx \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j (p_{h,t}(j)) \quad (92)$$

Then, we define the employment gap from steady state employment by combining (88) and (92) as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{n}_t &\equiv n_t - n = (y_t - y) - (a_t - a) + (d_t - d) \\
&\approx \bar{y}_t - a_t + d_t \\
&\approx \bar{y}_t - a_t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j (p_{h,t}(j))
\end{aligned} \quad (93)$$

The next step is to insert (93) into (87):

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx (1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t + \frac{U_N N}{U_C C} \left( \bar{n}_t + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} \bar{n}_t^2 \right) + t.i.p \\
&\approx (1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t + \frac{U_N N}{U_C C} \left[ \bar{y}_t - a_t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} \left( \bar{y}_t - a_t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) \right)^2 \right] + t.i.p \\
&\approx (1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t + \frac{U_N N}{U_C C} \left[ \bar{y}_t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} (\bar{y}_t - a_t)^2 \right] + t.i.p
\end{aligned}$$

From the steady state version of (77), we can get the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{U_{N_t}}{U_{C_t}} &= (1 - \alpha) \frac{C_t}{N_t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{U_N}{U_C} = -(1 - \alpha) \frac{C}{N} \\
&\Rightarrow \quad \frac{U_N N}{U_C C} = -(1 - \alpha)
\end{aligned}$$

When we insert this, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx (1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t - (1 - \alpha) \left[ \bar{y}_t + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + \frac{1 + \varphi}{2} (\bar{y}_t - a_t)^2 \right] + t.i.p \\
&= \cancel{(1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t} - \cancel{(1 - \alpha)\bar{y}_t} - \frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t - a_t)^2] + t.i.p \\
&= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t^2 - 2\bar{y}_t a_t + a_t^2)] + t.i.p \\
&= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) \bar{y}_t^2 - 2(1 + \varphi) \bar{y}_t a_t] + t.i.p \quad (94)
\end{aligned}$$

To proceed, note that with parameter restriction above, the log of natural output in equation (52) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
y_t^n &= \frac{\nu - \mu}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} + \frac{1 + \varphi}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} a_t - \alpha \frac{\Theta \sigma_\alpha}{\sigma_\alpha + \varphi} y_t^* \\
\sigma_\alpha &= \sigma = 1, \quad \nu = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y_t^n = -\frac{\mu}{1 + \varphi} + a_t \\
\Theta &= (\sigma\gamma - 1) + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, from the definition of the natural output gap from its steady state counterpart we have:

$$\bar{y}_t^n = y_t^n - y^n = \left( a_t - \frac{\mu}{1 + \varphi} \right) - \left( 0 - \frac{\mu}{1 + \varphi} \right) = a_t \quad (95)$$

Insert (95) into (94):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) \bar{y}_t^2 - 2(1 + \varphi) \bar{y}_t \bar{y}_t^n] + t.i.p \\ &= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t^2 - 2\bar{y}_t \bar{y}_t^n)] + t.i.p \\ &= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t^2 - 2\bar{y}_t \bar{y}_t^n + (\bar{y}_t^n)^2 - (\bar{y}_t^n)^2)] + t.i.p \\ &= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_t^n)^2 - (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t^n)^2] + t.i.p \\ &= -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_t^n)^2 - (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t^n)^2] + t.i.p \\ \\ \Rightarrow \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) (\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_t^n)^2] + t.i.p \\ &\approx -\frac{(1 - \alpha)}{2} [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) x_t^2] + t.i.p \end{aligned}$$

where  $(\bar{y}_t - \bar{y}_t^n) = (y_t - y) - (y_t^n - y^n) = y_t - y_t^n \equiv x_t$ .

When we write up a discounted sum of lifetime welfare losses as a function of output gap from natural output and inflation gap from zero inflation:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &\approx -\frac{1 - \alpha}{2} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t [\varepsilon var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) x_t^2] + t.i.p \\ &= -\frac{1 - \alpha}{2} \left[ \varepsilon \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t var_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1 + \varphi) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t x_t^2 \right] + t.i.p \quad (96) \end{aligned}$$

As we can see, we need to rewrite the terms involving price dispersion in (96) as a function of inflation. Note that because a fraction  $(1 - \theta)$  of firms are able to reset their price in period  $t$  while the remaining  $\theta$  firms are stuck with last periods price,

we can rewrite the expected price for good  $j$  to:

$$E_j [p_t(j)] = (1 - \theta)p_t^* + \theta E_j [p_{t-1}(j)]$$

Rewrite this:

$$\begin{aligned} p_t^* &= \frac{1}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_t(j)] - \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_{t-1}(j)] \\ \Rightarrow p_t^* - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)] &= \frac{1}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_t(j)] - \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_{t-1}(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)] \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_t(j)] - \frac{\theta + (1 - \theta)}{1 - \theta} E_j [p_{t-1}(j)] \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \theta} (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)]) \end{aligned} \quad (97)$$

Using  $var(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$ , the variance expression of the random variable,  $X$ , with the mean  $\mu = E[X]$ , we can write price dispersion as:

$$var_j (p_t(j)) = E_j [(p_t(j) - E[p_{t-1}(j)])^2] - (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \quad (98)$$

Furthermore, because only an exogenous draw of  $(1 - \theta)$  firms are able to reset their price:

$$E_j [(p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2] = [\theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + (1 - \theta) (p_t^* - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2] \quad (99)$$

Insert (99), and then (97), into (98), then simply:

$$\begin{aligned}
var_j p_t(j) &= [\theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + (1 - \theta) (p_t^* - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2] - \\
&\quad - (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&= \theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + (1 - \theta) \left( \frac{E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)]}{1 - \theta} \right)^2 - \\
&\quad - (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&= \theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + \frac{1}{1 - \theta} (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 - \\
&\quad - (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&= \theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + \frac{\lambda - (\lambda - \theta)}{1 - \theta} (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&= \theta E_j (p_t(j) - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&= \theta var_j (p_{t-1}(j)) + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} (E_j [p_t(j)] - E_j [p_{t-1}(j)])^2 \\
&\approx \theta var_j (p_{t-1}(j)) + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2
\end{aligned}$$

Iterating backward, and collecting terms for every period  $s$ , yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
var_j (p_t(j)) &= \theta \left( \theta var_j (p_{t-2}(j)) + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-1}^2 \right) + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2 \\
s = 2 : &= \theta^2 var_j (p_{t-2}(j)) + \theta \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-1}^2 + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2 \\
&= \theta^2 \left( \theta var_j (p_{t-3}(j)) + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-2}^2 \right) + \theta \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-1}^2 + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2 \\
s = 3 : &= \theta^3 var_j (p_{t-3}(j)) + \theta^2 \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-2}^2 + \theta \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-1}^2 + \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2 \\
&\vdots \\
s = s : &= \theta^s var_j (p_{t-s}(j)) + \sum_{s=0}^t \theta^s \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-s}^2 \\
&\approx \sum_{s=0}^t \theta^s \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_{t-s}^2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, if one takes the discounted value of these terms over all periods:

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t var_j (p_t(j)) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \theta^t \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \pi_t^2 = \frac{\theta}{(1 - \theta)(1 - \beta\theta)} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \pi_t^2 \quad (100)$$

Now, we can write the discounted lifetime welfare losses in (96) as a function of inflation gap and output gap, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \frac{U_t - U}{U_C C} &= -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \left[ \varepsilon \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \text{var}_j(p_{h,t}(j)) + (1+\varphi) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t x_t^2 \right] + t.i.p \\
&= -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \left[ \varepsilon \frac{\theta}{(1-\theta)(1-\beta\theta)} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \pi_{h,t}^2 + (1+\varphi) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t x_t^2 \right] + t.i.p \\
&= -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left[ \varepsilon \frac{\theta}{(1-\theta)(1-\beta\theta)} \pi_{h,t}^2 + (1+\varphi) x_t^2 \right] + t.i.p \\
&= -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left[ \frac{\varepsilon}{\lambda} \pi_{h,t}^2 + (1+\varphi) x_t^2 \right] + t.i.p \tag{101}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda = \frac{(1-\theta)(1-\beta\theta)}{\theta}$ . Thus, we can write the second-order approximation to the utility losses of the domestic representative consumer resulting from deviations in optimal policy, expressed as a fraction of steady state consumption, as:

$$\mathbb{W} = -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t \left[ \frac{\varepsilon}{\lambda} \pi_{h,t}^2 + (1+\varphi) x_t^2 \right] \tag{102}$$

Taking unconditional expectations on (102) and letting  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ , the expected welfare losses for any policy that deviates from strict inflation targeting can be written in terms of the variances of inflation and the output gap:

$$\mathbb{L} = -\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \left[ \frac{\varepsilon}{\lambda} \text{var}(\pi_{h,t}) + (1+\varphi) \text{var}(x_t) \right] \tag{103}$$

In the next section, we use this approximation to assess the welfare implications of alternative monetary policy rules, and to rank those rules on welfare losses.



## 12 Welfare evaluation analysis

In the present section we do welfare analysis of alternative monetary policy rules based on the welfare losses function derived in the previous section. In order to find the corresponding variations of output gap and domestic inflation, first we estimate the same model in the Chapter II by using Bayesian estimation technique under the additional assumptions. By obtaining parameter estimates, we simulate the model for each form of purposed monetary policy rules. Then, the optimal rule for Mongolia will be determined based on the ranking of their corresponding welfare losses. At the end, we check robustness of the result based on the household utility computations.

### 12.1 Alternative monetary policy rules

In regarding with monetary policy rules, the following two form of Taylor-type rule are available due to the indeterminacy of the model mentioned in the optimality condition section. As mentioned there, the indeterminacy problem can be avoided, and the uniqueness of the price stability outcome restored by having the central bank follow a rule that makes the interest rate respond with sufficient strength to deviations of total inflation, domestic inflation, and the output from target.

1. CPI inflation-based Taylor rule (CITR), which is proved that the current effective rule in Mongolia in Chapter II.

$$r_t = \rho_R r_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) [\psi_1 \pi_{t-1} + \psi_2 \Delta y_t + \psi_3 \Delta e_t] + \epsilon_{R,t}$$

2. Domestic inflation-based Taylor rule (DITR),

$$r_t = \rho_R r_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) [\psi_1 \pi_{h,t-1} + \psi_2 \Delta y_t + \psi_3 \Delta e_t] + \epsilon_{R,t}$$

Table 12.1: Alternative monetary policy rules for Mongolia

Rules	Implications
Benchmark (CITR): $\psi_1 > 1, \psi_2 > 0, \psi_3 > 0$	BoM reacts CPI inflation, output growth and exchange rate changes
DITR $\psi_1 > 1, \psi_2 > 0, \psi_3 > 0$	BoM reacts domestic inflation, output growth and exchange rate changes
$\psi_2 = 0$	BoM reacts to CPI inflation (domestic inflation when DITR) and exchange rate changes
$\psi_3 = 0$	BoM reacts CPI inflation (domestic inflation when DITR) to output growth
$\psi_2 = 0$ and $\psi_3 = 0$	BoM only reacts to CPI inflation (domestic inflation when DITR)

We can derive possible alternative policy rules from these Taylor-type rules by imposing restrictions on the policy parameters,  $\psi_1$ ,  $\psi_2$ , and  $\psi_3$ . The following Table 12.1 summarizes these possibilities and implications. The parameter indicating a response of inflation term,  $\psi_1$ , should be higher than 1 which is the fundamental determinacy condition of the model as shown in Chapter 4 of Gali (2016). Thus, we cannot assume that  $\psi_1 = 0$ .

## 12.2 Simulation analysis of welfare losses

We use  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  as the benchmark model (the model without inflation targeting rates) and baseline priors described in Chapter II for the estimations since the observations are more fitted in this model. However, the following assumptions and relations include in addition to the model due to the assumptions used in the derivation of the welfare losses function.

1. An assumption of unit elasticity on  $\sigma = 1$ . The DIS equation given by (58) includes  $\sigma$  as a form of  $\tau \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma}$  the inter-temporal substitution elasticity; thus, we need to restrict  $\tau = 1$  in the estimation.
2. In order to find a variation of domestic inflation we add the relationship between CPI inflation and domestic inflation,  $\pi_t = \pi_{h,t} + \alpha \Delta s_t$  given by equation

(16).

3. Due to the unit elasticity assumptions, the natural level of output given by equation (52) becomes

$$y_t^n = \Omega + \Gamma a_t + \alpha \Psi y_t^* \quad \Rightarrow y_t^n = a_t$$

where, with parameter restrictions,  $\Omega \equiv \frac{\nu+\mu}{\sigma_\alpha+\varphi} = 0$ ,  $\Gamma \equiv \frac{1+\varphi}{\sigma_\alpha+\varphi} = \frac{1+\varphi}{1+\varphi} = 1$ , and  $\Psi \equiv -\frac{\Theta\sigma_\alpha}{\sigma_\alpha+\varphi} = 0$  since  $\Theta = (\sigma\gamma - 1) + (1 - \alpha)(\sigma\eta - 1) = 0$ .

Next, we proceed to estimate the model under the additional assumptions and then, simulate the models that differs on only their monetary policy rules by using the Bayesian posterior estimates<sup>13</sup>.

Table 12.2 summarizes the standard deviations of several key variables and the corresponding welfare losses. By following a comparison analysis of Gali and Monacelli (2005) we can conclude that the critical element that distinguishes each rule relative to the optimal policy is an excess smoothness of the output and nominal exchange rate changes in Mongolia. In general, this in turn often reflected in too high a volatility of the output gap and domestic inflation. In particular, the CITR rule with restrictions of  $\psi_3 = 0$  and  $\psi_2 = \psi_3 = 0$  are the cases that increases both output gap and domestic inflation volatility to the largest extent.

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<sup>13</sup>The estimated posterior means are in Table A.2 of the Appendix 3.

Table 12.2: Properties of alternative policy rules

	CITR				DITR			
	Benchmark	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_1 > 1,$ $\psi_2 > 0,$ $\psi_3 > 0$	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$
$\sigma(y_t)$	0.8899	0.9014	1.3545	1.3601	0.6984	0.7045	0.7470	0.7470
$\sigma(x_t)$	1.3841	1.3848	1.7009	<b>1.7015</b>	1.2859	<b>1.2827</b>	1.3245	1.3206
$\sigma(\pi_{h,t})$	0.5451	0.5447	<b>0.9419</b>	0.9300	0.4523	<b>0.4485</b>	0.4983	0.4937
$\sigma(\pi_t)$	0.4833	0.4833	0.8414	0.8310	0.4758	0.4721	0.5240	0.5215
$\sigma(\Delta e_t)$	0.6576	0.6568	1.0603	1.0485	0.5676	0.5643	0.6661	0.6615
$\mathbb{L}_1$	5.7021	5.6987	14.3951	14.1029	4.2378	4.1843	4.9072	4.8375
	VI	V	VIII	VII	II	I	IV	III

Note: Bold and bold italics indicate the lowest and highest values within alternative policy rules, respectively.

In calculation of the corresponding welfare losses of alternative policy rules, we need to determine  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varphi$  and  $\lambda$  which are not known from the estimation and the restriction. In regarding with  $\varphi$  and  $\varepsilon$ , we follow [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) and choose same values for these parameters,  $\varphi = 3$  (labor supply elasticity is  $\frac{1}{3} \approx 0.33$ ) and  $\varepsilon = 6$  (the elasticity of substitution between differentiated goods of the same origin). For  $\lambda$ , we use a parameter definition in [\(53\)](#) under elasticity restrictions:

$$\kappa = \lambda(1 + \varphi) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda = \frac{\kappa}{(1 + \varphi)}$$

In the last row of [Table 12.2](#) we report the welfare losses associated with the alternative policy rules expressed as a percentage of steady state consumption.

The results suggest that the DITR with policy parameter restriction of  $\psi_2 = 0$ , which implies a case when the BoM only reacts to the domestic inflation and NER changes, would deliver the smallest welfare losses. However, if the BoM observes only total/CPI inflation in a reality, then the optimal policy form would be determined as the CITR with restriction of  $\psi_2 = 0$ , which implies that the BoM reacts to CPI inflation and NER changes. In this case, the BoM do not need to concern the output

growth rates.

### 12.3 Simulation analysis of household utility

In this section, we also use  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  model in the Chapter II but we do not impose the additional unit substitution elasticity assumption on  $\sigma$  (or  $\tau$ ). The main reasons for performing utility based analysis are i) to try weakening the strong restriction and ii) to check robustness of the previous welfare losses ranking results based on  $\sigma = 1$ .

We can use posterior estimates of  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  model presented in Table 4.2 because we do not modified priors. By using these estimates, we simulate the models that differ on only their monetary policy rules which are described in the above. Then, we compute the corresponding representative household utility given in equation (1) by using values of simulated variables.

$$\sum_{t=0}^{280} \beta^t \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right)$$

In here, we choose simulation period as  $t = 280$  because we assume that the average life expectancy of the representative household is 70 years. Moreover,  $\sigma = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{0.8432} = 1.1859$  and  $\varphi = 3$  (the last is same as in the welfare loss analysis). The following Table 12.3 summarizes the final results of utility computations.

Table 12.3: Household utility under alternative policy rules

	CITR				DITR			
	Benchmark	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_1 > 0,$ $\psi_2 > 0,$ $\psi_3 > 0$	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$
$U_t$	-44.14	-44.15	-62.33	-62.63	-37.41	-37.38	-41.03	-41.10
	V	VI	VII	VIII	II	I	III	IV

If we compare two ranking results we can conclude that, in general, the monetary policy based on DITRs would provide a higher well-being to households and whole society than in based on CITRs. In other words, the conclusion that DITRs are

better than CITRs do not depend on the unit substitution elasticity assumption on  $\sigma$ . In either case, the DITR with policy parameter restriction of  $\psi_2 = 0$ , which implies a case when the BoM reacts to the domestic inflation and NER changes, is proved as the best monetary policy rule.

Next, we check the sensitivity of the utility results with the different values of  $\tau$ . We perform the same simulation analysis on the household utility based on the much smaller prior mean of  $\tau = 0.50$  which is used in the robustness analysis in Chapter II. In order to get posterior estimates under this assumption, we re-estimate the  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  model<sup>14</sup>. In this case, since the posterior mean of  $\tau$  is estimated as 0.4804, we have  $\sigma = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{0.4804} = 2.0814$ . Then, we simulate the models under alternative policy rules and compute the corresponding household utility same as the previous computations. The following Table 12.4 summarizes the results.

Table 12.4: Household utility under  $\tau = 0.50$

	CITR				DITR			
	Benchmark	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_1 > 0,$ $\psi_2 > 0,$ $\psi_3 > 0$	$\psi_2 = 0$	$\psi_3 = 0$	$\psi_2 = 0,$ $\psi_3 = 0$
$U_t$	-71.81	-71.04	-181.91	-183.32	-60.74	-59.88	-110.08	-110.34
	IV	III	VII	VIII	II	I	V	VI

As we see from the table, now all DITRs are not better than CITRs. The rank of benchmark and the CITR with  $\psi_2 = 0$  are improving by the two positions. However, we can conclude that the DITR with  $\psi_2 = 0$  and the non-restricted DITR are the best policy rules within these alternative policy rules in terms of the both welfare measurements. This conclusion does not change by depending on the different values of  $\tau$ .

If the BoM only concern the total inflation, the CITR with  $\psi_2 = 0$ , which implies a case when the BoM reacts to the total inflation and NER changes, and

<sup>14</sup>The estimated posterior means are in Table A.3 of the Appendix 3.

the non-restricted CTR have an almost same welfare/utility results and either of them would be a better policy rule.

## 13 Conclusion

In this chapter we showed how to derive a second order approximation to the utility of the small open economy's consumer and the welfare level implied by alternative monetary policy rules can be evaluated.

The welfare loss function penalizes fluctuations in domestic inflation and the output gap. Under the special restriction, the strict domestic inflation targeting becomes the conditions for optimal policy rule.

By following research framework of [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) we found that if the BoM do not concern output growth rates and reacts to domestic inflation and NER changes would deliver the highest welfare than in all other alternative policy rules. However, if the BoM only consider the CPI inflation (includes foreign goods prices), then the optimal policy rule form will turn to the case when reacting to the total inflation and NER changes. The robustness of these conclusions is proved based on the household utility measurements with non-restricted, various substitution elasticity assumptions.

As consistent with [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#), we point that, in order to solve its disadvantages and limitations, the used research framework can be extended through the ways mentioned in the literature review section that are i) to weaken the specific restriction and to use more general preferences, ii) to use two-country version of the framework that would allow us to analyze a number of issues that cannot be addressed with the present model, including the importance of spillover effects in the design of optimal monetary policy, the potential benefits from monetary policy coordination, and the implications of exchange rate stabilization agreements, iii) to introduce a sticky nominal wages along with sticky prices, iv) to complete exchange rate pass-through of nominal exchange rate changes to prices of imported (or exported) goods.



## 14 Appendix 3

### Derivation of output constraint

In this section, we show how to derive output constraint in the social planner problem (73).

From (22) and  $\sigma = 1$  implies that:

$$c_t = c_t^* + (1 - \alpha)s_t$$

Then, since  $c_t \equiv \ln C$ ,  $c_t^* = \ln C^*$ , and  $s_t = \ln \mathcal{S}_t$ , we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\ln C_t &= \ln C_t^* + (1 - \alpha) \ln \mathcal{S}_t \\ &= \ln C_t^* + \ln \mathcal{S}_t^{1-\alpha} \\ &= \ln (C_t^* \mathcal{S}_t^{1-\alpha}) \\ &\Rightarrow C_t = C_t^* \mathcal{S}_t^{1-\alpha} \\ &\Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_t = \left( \frac{C_t}{C_t^*} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, when  $\eta = 1$ , the CPI given by  $P_t \equiv [(1 - \alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]^{\frac{1}{1-\eta}}$  takes the Cobb-Douglas form<sup>15</sup>:

$$P_t = P_{h,t}^{1-\alpha} P_{f,t}^\alpha$$

When we rewrite the Cobb-Douglas price index, and then insert the effective ToT,  $\mathcal{S}_t \equiv \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_{h,t}}$  given as in (13):

$$\frac{P_t}{P_{h,t}} = P_{h,t}^{-\alpha} P_{f,t}^\alpha = \left( \frac{P_{f,t}}{P_{h,t}} \right)^\alpha = \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha$$

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<sup>15</sup>Details are in the next.

Thus, (37) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &= \left(\frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t}\right)^{-\eta} C_t \left[ (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_t^i \mathcal{S}_{i,t})^{\gamma-\eta} \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^{\eta-\frac{1}{\sigma}} di \right] \\
&= \left(\frac{P_{h,t}}{P_t}\right)^{-1} C_t \left[ (1-\alpha) + \alpha \int_0^1 (\mathcal{S}_t^i \mathcal{S}_{i,t})^0 \mathcal{Q}_{i,t}^0 di \right] \\
&= \frac{P_t}{P_{h,t}} C_t [1 - \alpha + \alpha] = \frac{P_t}{P_{h,t}} C_t \\
\Rightarrow Y_t &= C_t \mathcal{S}_t^\alpha
\end{aligned}$$

## Derivation of Cobb-Douglas type price index

In here, we show how to derive equation the Cobb-Douglas price index above. This function is a special case of the CES function where  $(1-\eta) = 0$  in the CPI equation, although the equation is undefined when  $\eta = 1$  because division by zero is not possible. Nevertheless, we can demonstrate that as  $\eta \rightarrow 1$  or  $(1-\eta) \rightarrow 0$  the CES function approaches the Cobb-Douglas function. To do this we need to use L'Hopital's rule which holds that the ratio of two functions  $m(x)$  and  $n(x)$  approaches the ratio of their derivatives with respect to  $x$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{m(x)}{n(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{m'(x)}{n'(x)}$$

When we take the logarithm from the price index equation we obtain

$$\ln(P_t) = \frac{\ln [(1-\alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]}{1-\eta} = \frac{m(\eta)}{n(\eta)}$$

for which  $m'(\eta)$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
m'(\eta) &= \frac{1}{[(1-\alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]} \frac{d}{d\eta} [(1-\alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}] \\
&= \frac{-(1-\alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} \ln P_{h,t} - \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta} \ln P_{f,t}}{[(1-\alpha)P_{h,t}^{1-\eta} + \alpha P_{f,t}^{1-\eta}]}
\end{aligned}$$

which, in the limit as  $(1 - \eta) \rightarrow 0$  becomes

$$m'(\eta) = \frac{-[(1 - \alpha) \ln P_{h,t} + \alpha \ln P_{f,t}]}{[1 - \alpha + \alpha]} = -[(1 - \alpha) \ln P_{h,t} + \alpha \ln P_{f,t}]$$

Since  $n'(\eta) = -1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(1-\eta) \rightarrow 0} \ln P_t &= \lim_{(1-\eta) \rightarrow 0} \frac{m'(\eta)}{n'(\eta)} = \frac{-[(1 - \alpha) \ln P_{h,t} + \alpha \ln P_{f,t}]}{-1} \\ &= (1 - \alpha) \ln P_{h,t} + \alpha \ln P_{f,t} \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$P_t = P_{h,t}^{1-\alpha} P_{f,t}^\alpha$$

## Marginal utilities

In here, we show that how to derive the ratios of marginal utilities which are used in the welfare losses function. The corresponding steady state utility function of (1) becomes:

$$U_t(C_t, N_t) = \left( \frac{C_t^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N_t^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right) \stackrel{s.s}{\Rightarrow} U(C, N) = \left( \frac{C^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} - \frac{N^{1+\varphi}}{1+\varphi} \right)$$

Thus, the first and second order derivations will be:

$$U_C = C^{-\sigma} \text{ and } U_{CC} = -\sigma C^{-\sigma-1}$$

$$U_N = N^\varphi \text{ and } U_{NN} = \varphi N^{\varphi-1}$$

and so, the ratios in the text become:

$$-\frac{U_{CC}}{U_C} C = -\frac{-\sigma C^{-\sigma-1}}{C^{-\sigma}} C = \frac{\sigma C^{-\sigma-1+1}}{C^{-\sigma}} = \sigma$$

$$\frac{U_{NN}}{U_N} N = \frac{\varphi N^{\varphi-1}}{N^{\varphi}} N = \frac{\varphi N^{\varphi-1} \cancel{N}}{\cancel{N^{\varphi}}} = \varphi$$

Table A.2: Parameter estimation results of  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  model under  $\tau = 1$ 

Name	Domain	Density	Prior		Posterior		
			Mean	Std.dev	Mean	St.dev	90% HPD interval
$\psi_1$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	1.54	0.50	1.0933	0.2782	[0.73 1.45]
$\psi_2$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	0.2767	0.1217	[0.12 0.44]
$\psi_3$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	0.4233	0.1464	[0.19 0.61]
$\rho_R$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.50	0.20	0.8982	0.0190	[0.87 0.93]
$\varepsilon_R$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.50	4.00	0.6009	0.0684	[0.47 0.73]
$\kappa$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.50	0.25	0.4233	0.0900	[0.25 0.60]
$\alpha$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.60	0.20	0.5347	0.1061	[0.38 0.68]
$\rho_a$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.20	0.10	0.1110	0.0474	[0.05 0.18]
$\rho_s$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.90	0.20	0.9762	0.0179	[0.96 1.00]
$\rho_{y^*}$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.97	0.05	0.9704	0.0680	[0.92 1.00]
$\rho_{\pi^*}$	$(0, 1)$	Beta	0.46	0.10	0.2590	0.0646	[0.17 0.36]
$\varepsilon_a$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.00	4.00	9.9908	1.3512	[6.48 13.43]
$\varepsilon_s$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.10	4.00	0.7559	0.0799	[0.62 0.90]
$\varepsilon_{y^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.29	4.00	1.1095	1.4820	[0.37 2.15]
$\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	2.00	4.00	4.5113	0.4726	[3.76 5.17]

Table A.3: Parameter estimation results of  $\mathcal{M}_0^1$  model under  $\tau = 0.50$

Name	Domain	Density	Prior		Posterior		
			Mean	Std.dev	Mean	St.dev	90% HPD interval
$\psi_1$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	1.54	0.50	0.9121	0.2064	[0.51 1.28]
$\psi_2$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	0.1685	0.0617	[0.05 0.25]
$\psi_3$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.25	0.13	0.8249	0.0794	[0.68 0.99]
$\rho_R$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.50	0.20	0.8799	0.0291	[0.84 0.91]
$\varepsilon_R$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.50	4.00	0.6735	0.0910	[0.56 0.77]
$\kappa$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	Gamma	0.50	0.25	3.6190	0.1651	[3.25 3.95]
$\tau$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.50	0.05	0.4804	0.0409	[0.38 0.55]
$\alpha$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.60	0.20	0.8806	0.0625	[0.80 0.97]
$\rho_a$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.20	0.10	0.8223	0.0470	[0.76 0.88]
$\rho_s$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.90	0.20	0.1587	0.0641	[0.07 0.27]
$\rho_{y^*}$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.97	0.05	0.9609	0.0243	[0.89 1.00]
$\rho_{\pi^*}$	$[0, 1)$	Beta	0.46	0.10	0.3025	0.0602	[0.21 0.41]
$\varepsilon_a$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.00	4.00	1.2772	0.5958	[0.74 1.79]
$\varepsilon_s$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	0.10	4.00	12.4719	1.1917	[10.38 14.30]
$\varepsilon_{y^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	1.29	4.00	6.2434	1.6134	[3.75 8.19]
$\varepsilon_{\pi^*}$	$\mathbb{R}^+$	InvGamma	2.00	4.00	5.0676	0.6194	[4.23 5.90]

## Chapter IV

# Summary and Conclusion

The dissertation aims to study the current Mongolian monetary policy by using the New Keynesian DSGE model of SOE and the Bayesian estimation technique. We propose three research questions: i) Do the BoM really concern inflation target rates on its monetary policy rule setup or not?, ii) Does the recent official exchange rate regime - a managed floating by the BoM and a floating by the IMF - actually effective in the Mongolian economy?, and iii) Does the current effective policy rule in Mongolia an optimal or not? If not what alternative policy rule would be the optimal for Mongolia?

This study is timely and important for two reasons. First, the economics is one of newly developing social sciences in Mongolia, and consequently macroeconomic research studies using general equilibrium models and Bayesian estimation technique have rarely been developed. This study can be a contribution to literature of this kind study. Second, a high level quantitative study of the significance, timing and effect of monetary policy rule's instruments will benefit the Mongolian policy makers in formulating and implementing monetary policy.

In Chapter II, we introduce a DSGE model by [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#) that extend the benchmark New Keynesian DSGE model to a SOE setting and estimate it with Mongolian quarterly data from 2000Q1 to 2014Q3 using Bayesian estimation technique by following [Lubik and Schorfheide \(2007\)](#). We perform the posterior odds test using the estimation results and we found that the BoM do not concern inflation target rates and systematically respond to NER changes when setting its monetary policy rule. Moreover, due to the estimated impulse response function, terms-of-trade movements do not contribute significantly to domestic business cycles in Mongolia.

Chapter III is devoted to an analysis of the optimal monetary policy rule Mongolia. As the main result Chapter II, the current effective monetary policy rule in Mongolia is the total inflation based Taylor rule (CITR) without inflation target rates. In order to find the optimal monetary policy rule for Mongolia, we determine alternative policy rules based on the possible Taylor-type rules, CITR and DITR, and to rank them by the corresponding welfare losses. By following research framework of [Gali and Monacelli \(2005\)](#), we show the conditions for optimal monetary policy rule and derivations the welfare loss function that is a measurement by the second-order approximation for domestic representative consumer's utility losses due to deviations from the optimality conditions for the SOE. We show that how to derive this function by different approach from in the article. We used simulation analysis on the same DSGE model based on the corresponding Bayesian estimates for each alternative monetary policy rules and obtained values that need in calculations of the welfare losses. By our calculation results, the domestic inflation based Taylor rule (DITR) reacting to the domestic inflation and NER changes would be delivered the highest welfare than in other rules, however, if we consider only total or CPI inflation, it turns to CPI inflation based Taylor rule reacting to inflation and NER changes. We proved this result is a robust by using household utility computations under various main parameter assumptions.

There are many possibility to extend the used model based on its limitations and disadvantages, and to improve overall model's explanation power and some conflicted results, for example an negligible influence of the ToT to the output. Introducing additional dynamics through capital accumulation, different production sectors and internationally incomplete asset markets would prove that the ToT's different character. In recent literatures, to weaken the specific restriction and to use more general preferences, to use two-country version of the framework that would allow to analyze a number of issues that cannot be addressed with the present model, to introduce a sticky nominal wages along with sticky prices, and to complete



exchange rate pass-through of nominal exchange rate changes to prices of imported (or exported) goods are concluded as the most important and the well developed extension ways.

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