The g3+ Model of the Czech National Bank

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Modeling in policy institutions

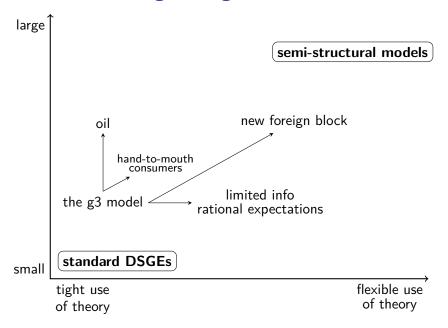
semi-structural models Introduce explicit large large size (detailed mapping VAR-based expectations to national accounts) FRB/US good data fit BdF FR-BDF expectations implicit ECB-base used for forecasting and BoC LENS policy scenarios standard DSGEs small size (misses several features) Dampen expectation channel tightly constrained by theory to address forward guidance puzzle central role for expectations used for inspection of new mechanisms and policy scenarios small flexible use

of theory

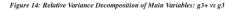
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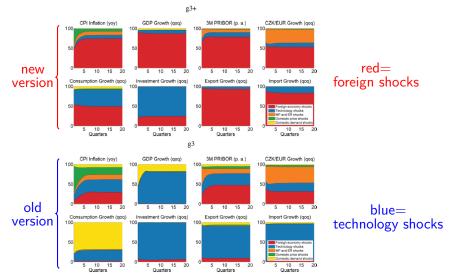
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The g3 and g3+ models



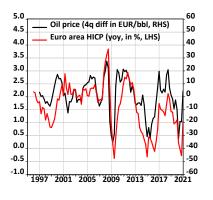
What the new foreign block brings to the model





Oil

Headline inflation is driven by oil



Strong impact on GDP as well

+10 EUR/bbl $\rightarrow +0.4\%$ on EA HICP $\rightarrow -0.4\%$ household real income

2015: oil dropped by 40 EUR/bbl $\rightarrow +1.6\%$ household real income

Oil enters production/consumption as a (near) perfect complement



households change consumption on non-oil goods

Oil and competitiveness in the Euro Area block

In principle, 2 channels for foreign prices in IS curve

• competitiveness: Y
$$\nearrow$$
 with $\frac{f(sp^{\text{RoW,non oil}}, p^{\text{oil}})}{f(p^{\text{EA,non oil}}, p^{\text{oil}})} \sim \frac{sp^{\text{RoW,non oil}}}{p^{\text{EA,non oil}}}$

• terms of trade: Y
$$\nearrow$$
 with $\frac{p^{\text{EA,non oil}}}{f(sp^{\text{RoW,non oil}}, p^{\text{oil}})}$

EA block of g3+ has a single channel that mixes the two

Y
$$\nearrow$$
 with $\frac{s}{f(p^{\text{EA},\text{non oil}},p^{\text{oil}})}$

Implicit restriction on elasticities of both channels

▶ try to model both channels separately?

Dampening the role of expectations

Forward-guidance puzzle: striking example of the strength of expectations in a DSGE

Theoretical proposals to fix the puzzle

- Discounting future variables (Gabaix, 2020)
- Lack of common knowledge (Angeletos and Lian, 2018)
- Level-k thinking (Farhi and Werning, 2019)
- Finite planning horizon (Woodford, 2018)

Additional constraint in practical forecasting setting:

expectation formation should have no impact on revisions b/w forecasting rounds

▶ LIRE in g3+: way of discounting future shocks s.t. constraint

FR-BDF: the new model of the French economy

Semi-structural model with explicit expectations (as in FRB-US)

- default expectations: based on small-size VAR (estimation & forecast)
- also possible to have forward-looking model-consistent expectations
- hybrid expectations: model-consistent for financial markets VAR-based for firms and households

Recent addition of a "Rest of the Euro Area" block

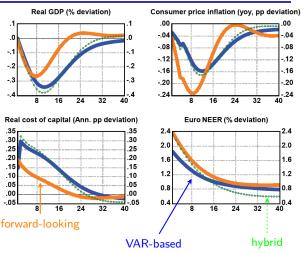
- same structure but smaller
- two-way trade interactions (thru volumes and prices)
- interaction through common monetary policy and exchange rate

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Expectations matter but differently for different agents

Temporary monetary policy shock

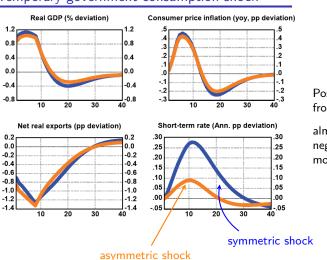


Response to shock is amplified by forward looking financial markets

— dampened by forward looking households & firms

Fiscal stimulus spillovers from rest of the Euro area

Temporary government consumption shock



Positive spillovers from trade

almost fully offset by negative spillovers from monetary policy