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James Tobin's contributions to economics

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- Tobin received the 1981 Nobel Memorial Prize "for his analysis of financial markets and their relations to expenditure decisions, employment, production and prices".
- Well-known contributions included: foundations of modern portfolio theory (with Markowitz), in particular the Separation Theorem (1958), life-cycle model of consumption, Tobit estimator, Tobin's q, Tobin's tax, ...
- Key forgotten contribution: financial intermediation, portfolio balances, flow of funds models and the credit channel.



Tobin 1969: A General Equilibrium Approach to Monetary Theory

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- Specification of (i) a menu of assets, (ii) the factors that determine the demands and supplies of the various assets, and (iii) the manner in which asset prices and interest rates clear these interrelated markets.
 - Spending decisions are independent from portfolio decisions.
 - Each asset i has a rate of return r_i and each sector j has a net demand f_{ij} for asset i.
 - Adding up constraint: for each rate of return r_k ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial f_{ij}}{\partial r_k} = 0.$$

- Paper proceeds to analyze several special cases: money-capital, money-treasuries-capital, banks, etc.
- Victim of the Microfoundations Revolution.



SMD theorem: something is rotten in GE land

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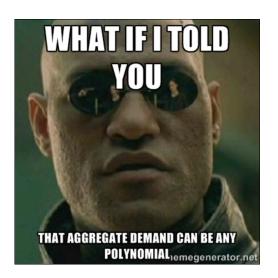
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Stock-Flow Consistent models

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- Stock-flow consistent models emerged in the last decade as a common language for many heterodox schools of thought in economics.
- They consider both real and monetary factors simultaneously.
- Specify the balance sheet and transactions between sectors.
- Accommodate a number of behavioural assumptions in a way that is consistent with the underlying accounting structure.
- Reject the RARE individual (representative agent with rational expectations) in favour of SAFE (sectoral average with flexible expectations) modelling.
- See Godley and Lavoie (2007) for the full framework.



Balance Sheets

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Balance Sheet	Households	Fir	rms Banks		nks Central Bank Governmer		Sum
		current	capital				
Cash	$+H_h$			$+H_b$	-H		0
Deposits	$+M_h$		$+M_f$	-M			0
Loans			-L	+L			0
Bills	$+B_h$			$+B_b$	$+B_c$	− <i>B</i>	0
Equities	$+p_f E_f + p_b E_b$		$-p_f E_f$	$-p_bE_b$			0
Advances				-A	+A		0
Capital			+pK				pΚ
Inventory			+cV				cV
Sum (net worth)	X_h	0	X_f	X_b	0	− <i>B</i>	Χ

Table: Balance sheet in an example of a general SFC model.



Transactions

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Transactions	Households		Firms	Banks	Central Bank	Government	Sum	
		current	capital					
Consumption	$-pC_h$	+pC		$-pC_b$			0	
Investment		$+pI_k$	$-pI_k$				0	
Change in Inventory		$+c\dot{V}$	$-c\dot{V}$				0	
Gov spending		+pG				-pG	0	
Acct memo [GDP]		[pY]						
Wages	+W	-W					0	
Taxes	$-T_h$	$-T_f$				+ <i>T</i>	0	
Interest on deposits	$+r_M.M_h$	$+r_M.M_f$		$-r_M.M$			0	
Interest on loans		$-r_L.L$		$+r_L.L$			0	
Interest on bills	$+r_B.B_h$			$+r_B.B_b$	$+r_B.B_c$	$-r_B.B$	0	
Profits	$+\Pi_d + \Pi_b$	-П	$+\Pi_u$	$-\Pi_b$	−Π _c	$+\Pi_c$	0	
Sum	S_h	0	$S_f - pI_k - c\dot{V}$	S_b	0	Sg	0	

Table: Transactions in an example of a general SFC model.



Flow of Funds

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Flow of Funds	Households		Firms	Banks	Central Bank	Government	Sum
		current	capital				Juni
Cash	$+\dot{H}_h$			$+\dot{H}_b$	−Ĥ		0
Deposits	$+\dot{M}_h$		$+\dot{M}_f$	- <i>M</i>			0
Loans			-L	+Ĺ			0
Bills	$+\dot{B}_h$			$+\dot{B}_b$	$+\dot{B}_c$	− <i>Ė</i>	0
Equities	$+p_f \dot{E}_f + p_b \dot{E}_b$		$-p_f \dot{E}_f$	$-p_b\dot{E}_b$			0
Advances				$-\dot{A}$	$+\dot{A}$		0
Capital			+pI				ρl
Sum	S_h	0	S_f	S_b	0	Sg	ρl
Change in Net Worth	$(S_h + \dot{p}_f E_f + \dot{p}_b E_b)$	$(S_f - \dot{p}_f E$	$f + \dot{p}K - p\delta K$	$(S_b - \dot{p}_b E_b)$		Sg	р́К + рЌ

Table: Flow of funds in an example of a general SFC model.



Example: household balance sheet US 2013

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	.100 Balance Sheet of Households and Nonprofit Organizations (1) illions of dollars; amounts outstanding end of period, not seasonally adjusted							
			2010	2011	2012	2013		
1	FL152000005	Assets	77130.1	78258.0	84441.4	94042.3		
2	FL152010005	Nonfinancial assets	23323.3	23265.8	25007.3	27544.4		
3	FL155005005	Real estate	18330.9	18111.2	19711.8	22069.7		
â.	FL155035015	Households (2.3)	16347.4	15939.7	17394.5	19407.5		
š	FL165035005	Nongrofit organizations	1983.6	2171.5	2317.2	2662.2		
6	FL165015205	Equipment (nonprofits) (4)	290.6	304.6	315.1	323.7		
ř	FL165013765	Intellectual property products (nonprofits) (4)	115.0	123.6	132.4	140.0		
8	FL155111005	Consumer durable goods (4)	4586.7	4726.4	4848.0	5011.0		
9	FL154090005	Financial assets	53806.9	54992.2	59434.1	66497.9		
0	FL154000025	Deposits	8059.4	8736.8	9241.5	9572.3		
1	FL153091003	Foreign deposits	49.7	46.9	45.1	48.4		
2	FL153020005	Checkable deposits and currency	423.6	752.0	897.8	1004.7		
3	FL153030005	Time and savings deposits	6455.9	6827.7	7191.2	7388.7		
4	FL153034005	Money market fund shares	1130.2	1110.2	1107.4	1130.4		
5	FL154004005	Credit market instruments	5834.0	5425.5	5422.2	5446.0		
6	FL163069103	Open market paper	21.1	19.4	18.8	15.0		
7	FL153061505	Treasury securities	1134.4	715.6	941.0	935.4		
8	FL153061705	Agency- and GSE-backed securities	353.7	304.6	154.2	125.9		
9	FL153062005	Municipal securities	1871.8	1808.3	1665.8	1626.3		
0	FL153063005	Corporate and foreign bonds	2248.3	2379.0	2468.8	2578.0		
1	FL153069803	Other loans and advances (5)	26.2	23.4	20.9	25.9		
2	FL153065005	Mortgages	100.1	100.8	86.9	80.4		
3	FL163066223	Consumer credit (student loans)	78.4	74.5	65.6	59.1		
4	FL153064105	Corporate equities (2)	8995.3	9025.4	10412.8	13309.6		
5	FL153064205	Mutual fund shares (6)	4600.2	4502.9	5408.7	6890.1		
6	FL153067005	Security credit	725.2	726.1	757.0	815.5		
7	FL153040005	Life insurance reserves	1137.2	1203.6	1186.1	1242.2		
8	FL153050005	Pension entitlements (7)	16751.6	17126.1	18093.8	19563.8		
9	FL152090205 FL153090005	Equity in noncorporate business (8) Miscellamous assets	6895.6 808.2	7366.9 878.8	8038.4 873.6	8760.8 897.6		
11	FL154190005	Liabilities	13766.5	13566.0	13626.8	13768.2		
2	FL154104005	Credit market instruments	13214.8	13052.9	13044.2	13146.1		
3	FL153165105	Home morteages (9)	9912.7	9697.5	9481.7	9386.2		
ä	FL153166000	Consumer credit	2647.4	2755.9	2923.6	3097.4		
ŝ	FL163162003	Municipal securities (10)	263.2	255.5	241.0	227.8		
6	FL153168005	Depository institution loses n.e.c.	61.0	11.5	62.6	92.7		
ż	FL153169005	Other loans and advances	136.1	138.1	139.3	141.3		
8	FL163165505	Commercial mortgages (10)	194.3	194.3	195.9	200.8		
9	FL153167005	Security credit	278.2	238.9	303.7	339.2		
ю	FL163170003	Trade payables (10)	248.8	250.0	254.0	255.0		
1	FL543077073	Deferred and unpaid life insurance premiums	24.7	24.3	24.9	27.9		
2	FL152090005	Net worth	63163.7	64692.0	70814.6	80274.1		



Example: NIPA US 2012

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Table A. Summary National Income and Product Accounts, 2012

Account 1. Domestic Income and Product Account



Account 2. Private Enterprise Income Account

Line			Line		
10 10 10 10 11 11 12 14 15 16 17	Treats payment in earth. Internal and model-blood payment (2-4) and 3-50 and 4-50 and 5-13 (Relevant of a model-blood payment (2-4) and 3-50 and 4-50 and 5-13 (Relevant is saving an being dead mediment in the United States (5-4) (3-50 persons pell (3-4) (2,654.2 2,467.2 141.1 105.9 106.9 41.4 70.6 -5.1 1,224.9 541.2 2,009.5 452.4 1,574.7 773.3 804.3	19 20 21 22 23	Not opening system protection (1-4). Too one mode or make the protection (1-4).	4,000.9 2,475.8 1,809.9 297.9 368.1
18	USES OF PRIVATE ENTERPRISE INCOME	6,536.7	24	SOURCES OF PRINKTE ENTERPRISE INCOME	6,536.7

Account 3. Personal Income and Outlay Account

ine .		Line		
Personal numer tense (1-10, Fernand 2014). Fernand coloning from approximate (1-18). Fernand coloning from approximate (1-18). Fernand coloning from approximate (1-18). Fernand from the private (1-18) and 5-20	11,558.4 11,148.6 15) 263.4 160.4 88.5 71.9	11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Compression of programs, sourced large and solaries. The proposed before the programs of the	8,611,6 6,926,6 6,923,6 6,923,6 1,684,5 1,770,6 514,3 1,224,5 541,2 1,958,3 1,211,6 7,46,5 2,358,3 2,316,8 414,4 414,4 950,7
9 PERSONAL TAXES, OUTLAYS, AND SAVING	13,743.8	26	PERSONAL INCOME	13,743



Goodwin Model - SFC matrix

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Balance Sheet	Households	Fir	ms	Sum
		current	capital	
Capital			+pK	рK
Sum (net worth)	0	0	V_f	pΚ
Transactions				
Consumption	-pC	+pC		0
Investment		+pI	-pl	0
Acct memo [GDP]		[pY]		
Wages	+W	-W		0
Profits		-П	$+\Pi_u$	0
Sum	0	0	0	0
Flow of Funds				
Capital			+pI	pl
Sum	0	0	Пи	pl
Change in Net Worth	0	pI + pK	$-p\delta K$	pK + pΚ

Table: SFC table for the Goodwin model.

Goodwin Model - Differential equations

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Define

$$\omega = rac{\mathrm{w}\ell}{
ho Y} = rac{\mathrm{w}}{
ho a}$$
 (wage share)
$$\lambda = rac{\ell}{N} = rac{Y}{aN}$$
 (employment rate)

It then follows that

$$\frac{\dot{\omega}}{\omega} = \frac{\dot{w}}{w} - \frac{\dot{p}}{p} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \Phi(\lambda, i, i^{e}) - i - \alpha$$

$$\frac{\dot{\lambda}}{\lambda} = \frac{1 - \omega}{\nu} - \alpha - \beta - \delta$$

• In the original model, all quantities were real (i.e divided by p), which is equivalent to setting $i = i^e = 0$.



Where does Φ come from?

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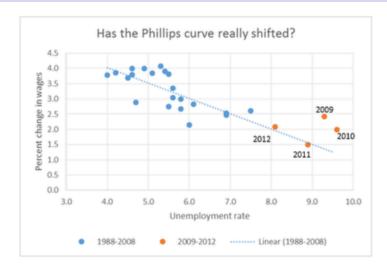


Figure: Krugman - July 15, 2014



Example 1: Goodwin model

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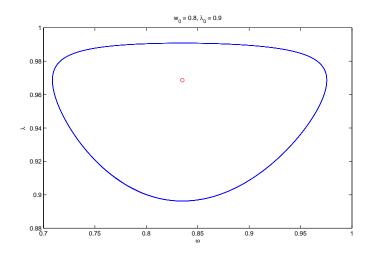
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Testing Goodwin on OECD countries

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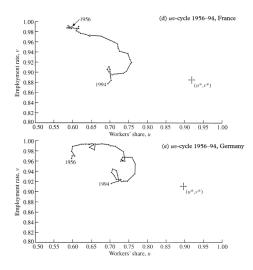


Figure: Harvie (2000)



Correcting Harvie (1970 to 2009)

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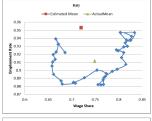
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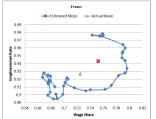
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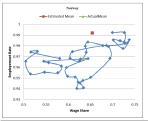
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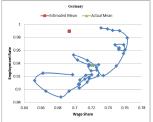


Figure: Grasselli and Maheshwari (2014, in progress)

What about shocks?

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 Nguyen Huu and Costa Lima (2014) introduce stochastic productivity of the form

$$da_t := a_t d\alpha_t = a_t [\alpha dt - \sigma(\lambda_t) dW_t]$$

leading to a modified model of the form

$$\frac{\dot{\omega}}{\omega} = \Phi(\lambda) - \alpha + \sigma^2(\lambda_t)dt + \sigma(\lambda_t)dW_t
\frac{\dot{\lambda}}{\lambda} = \frac{1 - \omega}{\nu} - \alpha - \beta - \delta + \sigma^2(\lambda_t)dt + \sigma(\lambda_t)dW_t$$

 They then prove the existence of stochastic orbits generalizing the original Goodwin cycles.



Stochastic orbits of a Goodwin model with productivity shocks

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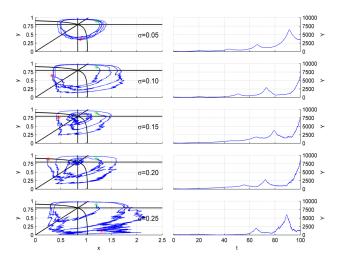


Figure: Figure 3 in Nguyen Huu and Costa Lima (2014)



SFC table for Keen (1995) model

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Balance Sheet	Households	Fir	rms	Banks	Sum
		current	capital		
Deposits	+D			-D	0
Loans			-L	+L	0
Capital			+pK		рK
Sum (net worth)	V_h	0	V_f	0	рK
Transactions					
Consumption	-pC	+pC			0
Investment		+pI	-pI		0
Acct memo [GDP]		[pY]			
Wages	+W	-W			0
Interest on deposits	+rD			-rD	0
Interest on loans		-rL		+rL	0
Profits		-П	$+\Pi_u$		0
Sum	S_h	0	$S_f - pI$	0	0
Flow of Funds					
Deposits	+Ď			-Ď	0
Loans			-L	+Ĺ	0
Capital			+pI		pΙ
Sum	S_h	0	Пи	0	pl
Change in Net Worth	S_h	$(S_f + \dot{p})$	$(-p\delta K)$		ġK + p

Table: SFC table for the Keen model.

Keen model - Investment function

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Assume now that new investment is given by

$$\dot{K} = \kappa (1 - \omega - rd)Y - \delta K$$

where $\kappa(\cdot)$ is a nonlinear increasing function of profits $\pi = 1 - \omega - rd$.

 This leads to external financing through debt evolving according to

$$\dot{D} = \kappa (1 - \omega - rd)Y - (1 - \omega - rd)Y$$



Investment and profits, US 1960-2014

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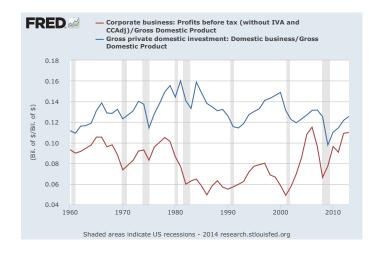
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Keen model - Differential Equations

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Denote the debt ratio in the economy by d = D/Y, the model can now be described by the following system

$$\dot{\omega} = \omega \left[\Phi(\lambda) - \alpha \right]$$

$$\dot{\lambda} = \lambda \left[\frac{\kappa (1 - \omega - rd)}{\nu} - \alpha - \beta - \delta \right]$$
(1)

$$\dot{d} = d \left[r - \frac{\kappa (1 - \omega - rd)}{\nu} + \delta \right] + \kappa (1 - \omega - rd) - (1 - \omega)$$



Example 2: convergence to the good equilibrium in a Keen model

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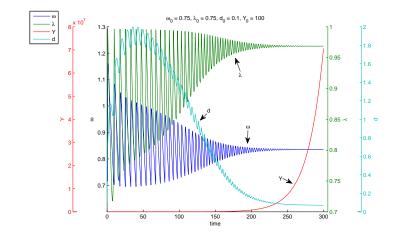


Figure: Grasselli and Costa Lima (2012)



Example 3: explosive debt in a Keen model

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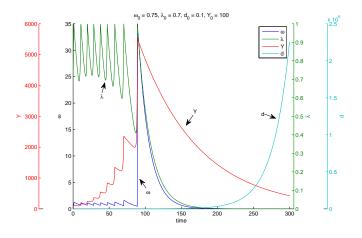


Figure: Grasselli and Costa Lima (2012)



Example 3 (continued): explosive debt in a Keen model

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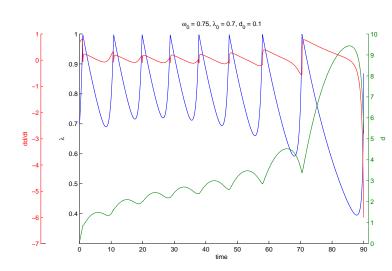
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Corporate Debt share in the US 1950-2014

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Private debt matters!

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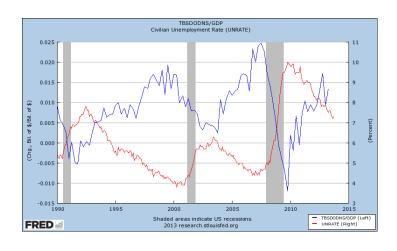


Figure: Change in debt and unemployment.



Basin of convergence for Keen model

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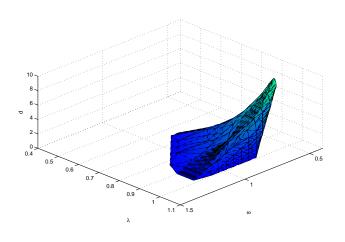


Figure: Grasselli and Costa Lima (2012)

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To introduce the destabilizing effect of purely speculative investment, we consider a modified version of the previous model with

$$\dot{D} = \kappa (1 - \omega - rd)Y - (1 - \omega - rd)Y + P$$

 $\dot{P} = \Psi(g(\omega, d))P$

where $\Psi(\cdot)$ is an increasing function of the growth rate of economic output

$$g = \frac{\kappa(1 - \omega - rd)}{\nu} - \delta.$$



Example 4: effect of Ponzi financing

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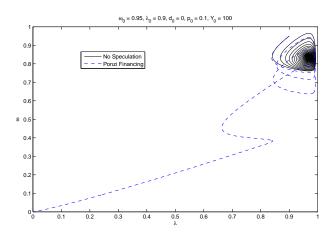


Figure: Grasselli and Costa Lima (2012)

Stock prices

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Consider a stock price process of the form

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r_b dt + \sigma dW_t + \gamma \mu_t dt - \gamma dN^{(\mu_t)}$$

where N_t is a Cox process with stochastic intensity $\mu_t = M(p(t))$.

• The interest rate for private debt is modelled as $r_t = r_b + r_p(t)$ where

$$r_p(t) = \rho_1 (S_t + \rho_2)^{\rho_3}$$



Stability map

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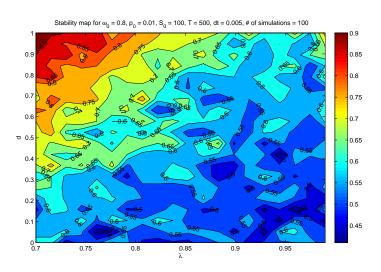
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The Great Moderation in the U.S. - 1984 to 2007

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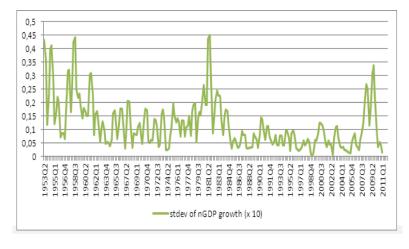


Figure: Grydaki and Bezemer (2013)



Possible explanations

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- Real-sector causes: inventory management, labour market changes, responses to oil shocks, external balances, etc.
- Financial-sector causes: credit accelerator models, financial innovation, deregulation, better monetary policy, etc.
- Grydaki and Bezemer (2013): growth of debt in the real sector.



Bank credit-to-GDP ratio in the U.S

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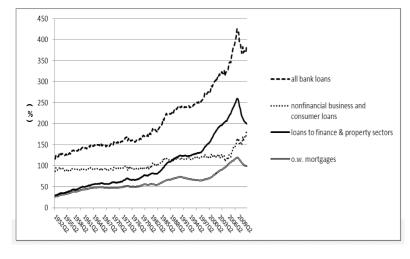


Figure: Grydaki and Bezemer (2013)



Excess credit growth moderated output volatility during, but not before the Great Moderation

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Before the Great Moderation	During the Great Moderation
change in interest rate (-) => output volatility	excess credit growth (-) => output volatility
change in interest rate (+) => inflation	output volatility (+) => excess credit growth
excess credit growth (+) => change in interest rate	output volatility (-) => change in interest rate
	excess credit growth (+) => change in interest rate
	inflation (+) => change in interest rate

Note: In the table, $x(\cdot) \Rightarrow y$ denotes that a one-standard deviation shock in variable x impacts negatively on the change of variable y. Similarly, $x(\cdot) \Rightarrow y$ indicates a positive impact.

Figure: Grydaki and Bezemer (2013)



Example 5: strongly moderated oscillations

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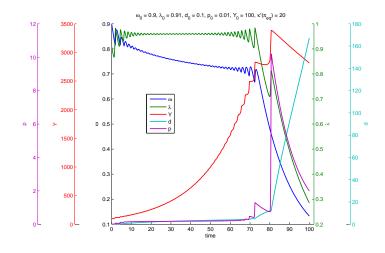
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Example 5 (cont): Shilnikov bifurcation

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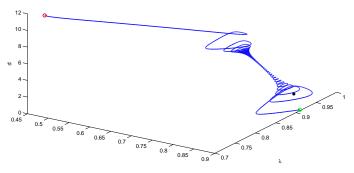
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Shortcomings of Goodwin and Keen models

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 No independent specification of consumption (and therefore savings) for households:

$$C=W, \quad S_h=0 \qquad \text{(Goodwin)}$$

$$C=(1-\kappa(\pi))Y, \quad S_h=\dot{D}=\Pi_u-I \qquad \text{(Keen)}$$

- Full capacity utilization.
- Everything that is produced is sold.
- No active market for equities.
- Skott (1989) uses prices as an accommodating variable in the short run.
- Chiarella, Flaschel and Franke (2005) propose a dynamics for inventory and expected sales.
- Grasselli and Nguyen Huu (2014) provide a synthesis, including equities and Tobin's portfolio choices.



Price dynamics

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 A general price-wage dynamics taking into account both labor costs and expected inflation takes the form

$$rac{\dot{\mathrm{w}}}{\mathrm{w}} = \Phi(\lambda) + \eta_1 \frac{\dot{p}}{p} + \eta_2 i_{\mathrm{e}}$$
 $\frac{\dot{p}}{p} = \Phi_p(c, p) + \eta_3 i_{\mathrm{e}}$
 $\frac{d}{d}(i_{\mathrm{e}}) = \eta_1 \left[\frac{\dot{p}}{p} - i_{\mathrm{e}}\right]$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(i_e) = \eta_4 \left| \frac{\dot{p}}{p} - i_e \right|,$$

• Here we assume the simplified version

$$rac{\dot{\mathrm{w}}}{\mathrm{w}} = \Phi(\lambda) + \gamma rac{\dot{p}}{p}, \ rac{\dot{p}}{p} = -\eta_p \left[1 - m rac{c}{p}
ight]$$

for a constants $0 \le \gamma \le 1$, $\eta_p > 0$ and $m \ge 1$.



Inventory dynamics

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• Denoting demand by $Y_d = C + I_k$, we postulate that expected sales evolve according to

$$\dot{Y}_e = (\alpha + \beta)Y_e + \eta_d(Y_d - Y_e).$$

• Moreover, we assume that the desired level of inventory is $V_d = f_d Y_e$ and that planned changes in inventory are given by

$$I_p = (\alpha + \beta)V_d + \eta_v(V_d - V).$$

- Finally, production is give by $Y = Y_e + I_p$, which in turn determines utilization through $u = Y/Y_{max} = \nu Y/K$.
- To complete the specification of firm and household behaviour we set

$$I_{k} = \left[\frac{\kappa(\pi_{e}) + \eta_{u}(u - \overline{u})}{\nu}\right] K$$

$$pC = c_{1}W + c_{2}D$$



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Defining $\omega_p = W/(pY)$ and $d_p = D/(pY)$ leads to $\dot{\omega}_p = \omega_p \left[\Phi(\lambda) - \alpha + (1 - \gamma)\eta_p (1 - m\omega_p) \right]$ $\dot{\lambda} = \lambda \left[g_e y_e + g_d y_d - \eta_v - \alpha - \beta \right]$

$$\dot{d}_p = d_p [r - g_e y_e - g_d y_d + \eta_v + \eta_p (1 - m\omega_p) - c_2], + (y_d - c_1)\omega_p$$

$$\dot{y}_{e} = y_{e}(\alpha + \beta - \eta_{d} - g_{e}y_{e} - g_{d}y_{d} + \eta_{v}) + \eta_{d}y_{d}$$

$$\dot{u} = u[g_{e}y_{e} + g_{d}y_{d} - \eta_{v} - y_{d} + c_{1}\omega_{p} + c_{2}d_{p} + \delta]$$

for constants g_e, g_d and with

$$y_d = c_1 \omega_p + c_2 d_p + \frac{\kappa(\pi_e) + \eta_u(u - \overline{u})}{u}.$$

Firm decisions

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• Suppose now that firms finance new investment by issuing equities E at price p_e as well as new loans.

• Assuming that undistributed profits take the form $s_f\Pi$ for a constant s_f , the amount needed to be raised externally for new investment is $pl_k - s_f\Pi$, according to the proportions

$$\dot{D} = \nu_D[pI_k - s_f\Pi]$$

$$p_e \dot{E} = \nu_E[pI_k - s_f\Pi],$$

with $\nu_D + \nu_E = 1$.

• Here both I_k and ν_E can be functions of Tobin's $q = \frac{p_e E}{pK}$.

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On the other hand, the budget constraint for households is

$$W + (1-s_f)\Pi + rD = \rho C + \dot{D} + \rho_e \dot{E},$$

whereas their portfolio allocation is

$$p_e E = f_e(r_e^e) X_h$$
$$D = 1 - f_e(r_e^e) X_h,$$

where

$$r_e^e = \frac{(1 - s_f)\Pi}{p_e E} + \pi_e^e$$

 $\dot{\pi}_e^e = \beta_{\pi_e} \left(\frac{\dot{p}_e}{p_e} - \pi_e^e\right)$

• This leads to an extended system with two more equations for \dot{e}/e and $\dot{\pi}_e^e$.



Concluding remarks

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- Macroeconomics is too important to be left to macroeconomists.
- Since Keynes's death it has developed in two radically different approaches:
 - The dominant one has the appearance of mathematical rigour (the SMD theorems notwithstanding), but is based on implausible assumptions, has poor fit to data in general, and is disastrously wrong during crises. Finance plays a negligible role
 - The heterodox approach is grounded in history and institutional understanding, takes empirical work much more seriously, but is generally averse to mathematics. Finance plays a major role.
- It's clear which approach should be embraced by mathematical finance.



Thank you!

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