

Appendix

Appendix A1: The equation of the stock price.

The solution begins with Eq. (2.15) from the text, which we repeat here for convenience as Eq.(A.1):

$$\left[\frac{-1}{(1-\tau)} - \frac{\omega}{b}\right]p_t + \frac{1}{1-\tau} [E_t p_{t+1} - E_{t-1} p_t + p_{t-1}] = -X_t, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where $X_t = -\frac{c}{b} - \frac{1}{b}u_t + \frac{\alpha}{b}\varepsilon_t - \frac{\Delta_t}{(1-\tau)^2}$, $\alpha + \gamma = \omega$, and $c = -\alpha y_f + AR$.

Take expectations of Eq. (A.1) as of time $t-1$, we obtain:

$$\left[\frac{-2}{(1-\tau)} - \frac{\omega}{b}\right]E_{t-1}p_t + \frac{1}{1-\tau} (E_{t-1}p_{t+1} + E_{t-1}p_{t-1}) = -E_{t-1}X_t. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

This expression is a difference equation in the expectation terms. Use of the lag operator L allows the substitute:

$$E_{t-1}p_{t-1} = LE_{t-1}p_t, \quad E_{t-1}p_{t+1} = L^{-1}E_{t-1}p_t. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

We therefore obtain:

$$\left\{L^2 - \left[2 + \frac{\omega(1-\tau)}{b}\right]L + 1\right\}E_{t-1}p_t = 0 \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Therefore, either we require that $E_{t-1}p_t = 0$ or we require that the quadratic expression in L be identically equal to zero. As a result, a nontrivial solution requires that:

$$L^2 - \left[2 + \frac{\omega(1-\tau)}{b}\right]L + 1 = 0. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Denote the roots of this quadratic equation by λ_i , $i = 1, 2$, then:

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2 + \frac{\omega(1-\tau)}{b} > 2. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

From Eq. (A.6), we can assure that one root is greater than 1 and the other root is less than 1. Furthermore, the general solution to Eq. (A.1) is given by:¹

$$E_{t-1}P_{t+j} = c\lambda_1^j + d\lambda_2^j, \quad (\text{A.7})$$

with c and d determined by an initial-value condition. In the special case of $E_{t-1}P_{t-1} = P_{t-1}$, we can therefore substitute $j = -1$ into Eq. (A.7) and obtain:

$$P_{t-1} = c\lambda_1^{-1} + d\lambda_2^{-1}. \quad (\text{A.8})$$

The constant (c or d) corresponding to the greater root is assumed to be equal to zero to ensure a convergent system. Now define $\lambda = \lambda_1 < \lambda_2$, where λ_1 is selected as the smaller of the two roots². In this case, d is supposed to be zero so that Eq. (A.8) is express as:

$$E_{t-1}P_{t-1} = P_{t-1} = c\lambda^{-1}. \quad (\text{A.9})$$

We can re-express it as: $c = \lambda P_{t-1}$. Therefore, the rational price expectation process is given by:

$$E_{t-1}P_{t+j} = \lambda^{j+1}P_{t-1}, \quad (\text{A.10})$$

and so

¹ See Sargent (1987, Ch.9).

² In calculation, we adopt the “backward” method to obtain $0 < \lambda_1 < 1$ and $\lambda_2 > 1$, and then select $\lambda_1 = \lambda$ to ensure a convergent system. However, if the “forward” method is adopted, we may obtain another two roots: $0 < \frac{1}{\lambda_2} < 1$ and $\frac{1}{\lambda_1} > 1$, and then choose $\frac{1}{\lambda_2} = \lambda$ to ensure a convergent system. In our following analysis, we only use the property of $0 < \lambda < 1$, rather than the value of λ . Therefore, either backward solution or forward solution will lead to the same conclusions.

$$E_{t-1}P_t = \lambda P_{t-1} \quad \text{and} \quad E_t P_{t+1} = \lambda P_t. \quad (\text{A.11})$$

Substitute Eq. (A.11) into Eq. (A.1), we obtain:

$$p_t = \frac{(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)}{(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda) + \frac{\omega}{b}} p_{t-1} + \frac{1}{(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda) + \frac{\omega}{b}} X_t. \quad (\text{A.12})$$

Appendix A2: The dynamic equation of the stock price.

To obtain the stock price's dynamic equation, we first have to compute the long-run equilibrium \bar{p} . In the long run, all unexpected shocks will not exist anymore and the stock price in each period will be equal to the long-run equilibrium stock price. Judging from the above, we therefore set $u_t = \varepsilon_t = \Delta_t = 0$, and replace p_t and p_{t-1} by \bar{p} in Eq.(A.1) to obtain:

$$\bar{p} = \frac{-1}{\omega} (-\alpha y_f + AR) = \frac{-c}{\omega}, \quad (\text{A.13})$$

where $c = -\alpha y_f + AR$.

In addition, we can rewrite the RE equation as follows:

$$\frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} = \frac{\lambda\omega}{b}. \quad (\text{A.14})$$

Substitute Eq.(A.13) and Eq.(A.14) into Eq.(A.1), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} p_t &= \lambda p_{t-1} + \frac{\lambda(1-\tau)}{1-\lambda} \left[\frac{-c}{b} - \frac{1}{b} u_t + \frac{\alpha}{b} \varepsilon_t - \frac{\Delta_t}{(1-\tau)^2} \right] \\ &= \lambda p_{t-1} + (1-\lambda)\bar{q} - \frac{(1-\lambda)}{\omega} u_t + \frac{\alpha(1-\lambda)}{\omega} \varepsilon_t - \frac{\lambda}{(1-\lambda)(1-\tau)} \Delta_t. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.15})$$

Appendix A3: Derivation of $\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau}$.

From Eq.(3.3) and Eq.(3.4), we have:

$$b(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)^2 = \lambda\omega, \quad (\text{RE}) \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$b(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)^2 = \frac{(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)^2}{\theta \text{Var}(p_{t+1})} = f. \quad (\text{SB}) \quad (\text{A.17})$$

Differentiating the above two expressions with respect to b , λ , τ , and then expressing them in matrix notation, we obtain:

$$\begin{bmatrix} (1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)^2 & -2b(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda) - \omega \\ (1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda)^2 & -2b(1-\tau)^{-1}(1-\lambda) - f_\lambda \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} db \\ d\lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -b(1-\tau)^{-2}(1-\lambda)^2 d\tau \\ \{-b(1-\tau)^{-2}(1-\lambda)^2 + f_\tau\} d\tau \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.18})$$

where f denotes the SB equation:

$$f = \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{\theta(1-\tau) \left\{ \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(u) + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\lambda)^2}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + \frac{\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^2(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\Delta) \right\}}, \quad (\text{A.19})$$

f_λ denotes the partial derivative of f with respect to λ :

$$f_\lambda = \frac{-1}{\theta(1-\tau) \left[\frac{1}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(u) + \frac{\alpha^2}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + \frac{\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^4(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\Delta) \right]^2} \cdot \frac{2\lambda(1+\lambda)}{(1-\lambda)^5(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\Delta), \quad (\text{A.20})$$

and f_τ denotes the partial derivative of f with respect to τ :

$$f_{\tau} = \frac{-1}{\theta \left[\frac{(1-\tau)}{\omega^2} \text{Var}(u) + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\tau)}{\omega^2} \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + \frac{\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^4(1-\tau)^2} \text{Var}(\Delta) \right]^2} \cdot \left[\frac{-1}{\omega^2} \text{Var}(u) - \frac{\alpha^2}{\omega^2} \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + \frac{\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^4(1-\tau)^2} \text{Var}(\Delta) \right]. \quad (\text{A.21})$$

Thus, application of Cramer's rule yields derivation of:

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{f_{\tau}}{\omega - f_{\lambda}}. \quad (\text{A.22})$$

Appendix A4: Determination of $\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau}$ under different types of shocks.

(1) The issuing shock

Substituting $\text{Var}(\varepsilon) = \text{Var}(\Delta) = 0$ into f_{λ} and f_{τ} , we have:

$$f_{\lambda} = 0, \text{ and } f_{\tau} = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\tau)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(u)} > 0. \quad (\text{A.23})$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{f_{\tau}}{\omega - f_{\lambda}} = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\tau)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\omega} \cdot \text{Var}(u)} > 0. \quad (\text{A.24})$$

(2) The dividend shock

Substituting $\text{Var}(u) = \text{Var}(\Delta) = 0$ into f_{λ} and f_{τ} , we have:

$$f_{\lambda} = 0, \text{ and } f_{\tau} = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\tau)^2 \cdot \frac{\alpha^2}{\omega^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\varepsilon)} > 0. \quad (\text{A.25})$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{f_\tau}{\omega - f_\lambda} = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\tau)^2 \cdot \frac{\alpha^2}{\omega} \cdot \text{Var}(\varepsilon)} > 0. \quad (\text{A.26})$$

(3) The margin-rate shock

Substituting $\text{Var}(u) = \text{Var}(\varepsilon) = 0$ into f_λ and f_τ , we have:

$$f_\lambda = \frac{-2(1-\tau)(1-\lambda)^3(1+\lambda)}{\theta\lambda^3\text{Var}(\Delta)} < 0, \text{ and } f_\tau = \frac{-(1-\lambda)^4}{\theta\lambda^2\text{Var}(\Delta)} < 0. \quad (\text{A.27})$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{f_\tau}{\omega - f_\lambda} = \frac{-(1-\lambda)^4}{\theta\omega\lambda^2\text{Var}(\Delta) + \frac{2(1-\tau)(1-\lambda)^3(1+\lambda)}{\lambda}} < 0. \quad (\text{A.28})$$

Appendix A5: Determination of $\frac{dh_t}{d\tau}$ under different types of shocks.

(1) The issuing shock

From Eq.(3.7) and Eq.(3.8), we have:

$$h_\tau = \frac{(1-\lambda)}{\theta\text{Var}(p_{t+1})(1-\tau)} \cdot (\bar{p} - p_t) = \frac{(1-\lambda)^2 u_t}{\theta\omega(1-\tau)\text{Var}(p_{t+1})}. \quad (\text{A.29})$$

Thus, differentiating h_τ with respect to τ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dh_t}{d\tau} &= \frac{u_t}{\theta\omega} \cdot \frac{d}{d\tau} \left[\frac{1}{\text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} \right] \\ &= \frac{u_t}{\omega\theta} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{\text{Var}^2(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{d\text{Var}(p_{t+1})}{d\tau} \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} + \frac{1}{\text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \left[-2 \frac{1-\lambda}{1-\tau} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{(1-\tau)^2} \right] \right\} \\ &= \frac{u_t}{\omega\theta \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2 \text{Var}(u)}{\omega^2}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{(1-\lambda)^2} \cdot \frac{-2(1-\lambda)}{\omega^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} \cdot \text{Var}(u) \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{2(1-\lambda)}{1-\tau} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{(1-\tau)^2} \} \\
= & \frac{\omega \cdot u}{(1-\tau)^2 \text{Var}(u)} > 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.30}$$

(2) The dividend shock

From Eq.(3.11) and Eq.(3.12), we have:

$$h_t = \frac{(1-\lambda)}{\theta \text{Var}(p_{t+1})(1-\tau)} \cdot (\bar{p} - p_t) = \frac{-\alpha(1-\lambda)^2 \varepsilon_t}{\theta \omega (1-\tau) \text{Var}(p_{t+1})}. \tag{A.31}$$

Thus, differentiating h_t with respect to τ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dh_t}{d\tau} &= \frac{-\alpha \varepsilon_t}{\omega \theta} \cdot \frac{d}{d\tau} \left[\frac{1}{\text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} \right] \\
&= \frac{-\alpha \varepsilon_t}{\omega \theta} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{\text{Var}^2(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{d\text{Var}(p_{t+1})}{d\tau} \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} + \frac{1}{\text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \left[-2 \frac{1-\lambda}{1-\tau} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{(1-\tau)^2} \right] \right\} \\
&= \frac{-\alpha \varepsilon_t}{\omega \theta} \cdot \frac{\alpha^2 (1-\lambda)^2 \text{Var}(\varepsilon)}{\omega^2} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{\alpha^2 (1-\lambda)^2} \cdot \frac{-2\alpha^2 (1-\lambda)}{\omega^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} \cdot \text{Var}(\varepsilon) \cdot \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{1-\tau} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{2(1-\lambda)}{1-\tau} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{(1-\lambda)^2}{(1-\tau)^2} \right\} \\
&= \frac{-\omega \varepsilon}{\alpha (1-\tau)^2 \text{Var}(\varepsilon)} < 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.32}$$

(3) The margin-rate shock

From Eq.(3.16) and Eq.(3.21), we have:

$$h_t = \frac{-(1-\lambda)^2}{\theta \text{Var}(p_{t+1}) \lambda (1-\tau)} \cdot (\bar{p} - p_t) = \frac{(\lambda-1) \Delta_t}{\theta (1-\tau)^2 \text{Var}(p_{t+1})}. \tag{A.33}$$

Similarly, let us differentiating the above expression with respect to τ , we obtain:

$$\frac{dh_t}{d\tau} = \frac{\Delta_t}{\theta} \cdot \frac{d}{d\tau} \left[\frac{1}{\text{var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{\lambda-1}{(1-\tau)^2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\Delta_t}{\theta} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{\text{Var}^2(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{d\text{Var}(p_{t+1})}{d\tau} \cdot \frac{\lambda-1}{(1-\tau)^2} + \frac{1}{\text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \left[\frac{1}{(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{2(\lambda-1)}{(1-\tau)^3} \right] \right\} \\
&= \frac{\Delta_t}{\theta \cdot \frac{\lambda^2 \text{Var}(\Delta)}{(1-\lambda)^2 (1-\tau)^2}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-1}{\frac{\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^2 (1-\tau)^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\Delta)} \cdot \left[\frac{2\lambda^2}{(1-\lambda)^2 (1-\tau)^3} + \frac{2\lambda}{(1-\lambda)^3 (1-\tau)^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} \right] \text{Var}(\Delta) \cdot \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{\lambda-1}{(1-\tau)^2} + \frac{1}{(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} + \frac{2(\lambda-1)}{(1-\tau)^3} \right\} \\
&= \frac{\Delta_t}{\theta \text{Var}(p_{t+1})} \cdot \frac{\lambda+2}{\lambda(1-\tau)^2} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} < 0, \tag{A.34}
\end{aligned}$$

since $\frac{d\lambda}{d\tau} < 0$ in this case.