

Low Risk Sharing with Many Assets

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Our paper: within-country SDF heterogeneity

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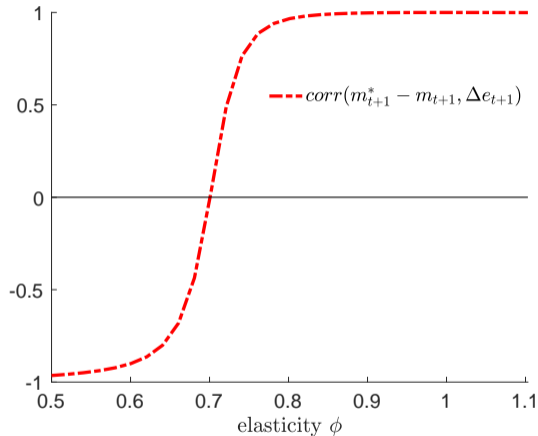
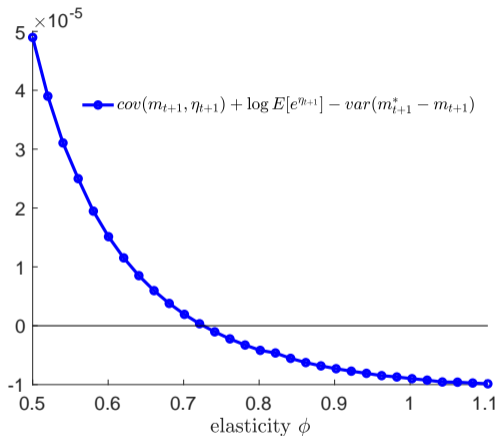
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Calibrated Example



Unconditional moments calculated from second-order simulation with one million draws.

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- Segmentation no longer required – but can be a complementary mechanism [see e.g. Chernov, Haddad, and Itskhoki (2024)]

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- * Does not exacerbate volatility or predictability puzzles

Calibrating HA model

$$* x_{t+1}^2 = \sigma_\delta^2 + \phi \Delta c_{t+1}, \quad c_t = \alpha \Delta e_t + \nu_t$$

- ▶ $\sigma_\delta = 0.4$ [Constantinides (2021)]
- ▶ $s = 10$ [Best, Cloyne, Ilzetzki and Kleven (2020)]
- ▶ $\rho_{-\delta_{t+1}^i, -\Delta e_{t+1}} \geq \frac{0.33}{4} = 0.0825$
- ▶ $\phi = -5.76$ [e.g. Acharya et al., 2023]
- ▶ **Back of the envelope:** [Verner and Gyongyosi (2020)] 30% depreciation of Hungarian forint
→ increase in debt of 10% of disposable income (MPC=0.22): $\rho_{-\delta_{t+1}^i, -\Delta e_{t+1}} \approx 0.175$

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Further Details on Heterogeneous SDF model

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