

SUPPLEMENT TO “DYNAMIC IDENTIFICATION OF DYNAMIC  
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THIS SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENT contains additional examples. Matlab code for constructing the  $\Delta^S(\theta)$  and  $\Delta^{NS}(\theta)$  matrices proposed in Komunjer and Ng (2011) is also provided to show that while the expression appears complex, the computation is simple. Once the minimal representation is obtained,  $\Delta^S(\theta)$  and  $\Delta^{NS}(\theta)$  can be computed using numerical differentiation. The  $\Delta^S_T(\theta)$  and  $\Delta^{NS}_T(\theta)$  only require specification of  $n_X$ , while  $\Delta^S_U(\theta)$  only requires  $n_\varepsilon$ . Section S.1 uses the model of An and Schorfheide (2007) to study the implications of (i) adding  $c_t$  to the observables, and (ii) dropping variables to remove singularity. Section S.2 analyzes the model in Smets and Wouters (2007). It is shown that putting the model into minimal state space representation reveals features about the model that are not otherwise transparent. In particular, the parameters in the policy rule, output, and potential output equations are not independent. Section S.3 analyzes the model of Christiano, Eichenbaum, and Evans (2005). Section S.4 considers the model of Cicco, Pancrazi, and Uribe (2010) that is identifiable without further restrictions. Matlab code for computing the  $\Delta(\theta_0)$  matrix is given in Section S.5.

S.1. THE AN–SCHORFHEIDE MODEL

We first analyze the model with four observed variables,  $Y_t = (r_t, y_t, \pi_t, c_t)'$ . For completeness, we report results for the minimal as well as the nonminimal representations of the model. The results in Table S.I below are qualitatively the same as those in Table I of the paper; in other words, adding  $c_t$  to the observables does not affect any conclusions regarding the identification of the model.

Dropping variables (which could make a singular system nonsingular) can have an impact on identification. As an example, consider the reparameterized version of An and Schorfheide’s model with 11 parameters and 3 shocks. Under an additional restriction on  $\psi_1$ , the (singular) model is identified from the second moments of  $Y_t = (r_t, y_t, \pi_t, c_t)'$ .

Suppose we drop one variable at a time so that  $n_Y = 3 = n_\varepsilon$ . The order condition  $n_\theta \leq 24$  is clearly satisfied. It remains to check the rank condition on  $\bar{\Delta}^S(\theta_0)$ .

TABLE S.I  
 AN AND SCHORFHEIDE (2007), FULL MODEL:  $n_\theta = 13$

$\tau$	$\beta$	$\nu$	$\phi$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\psi_1$	$\psi_2$	$\rho_r$	$\rho_g$	$\rho_z$	$100\sigma_r$	$100\sigma_g$	$100\sigma_z$
2	0.9975	0.1	53.6797	1.008	1.5	0.125	0.75	0.95	0.9	0.2	0.6	0.3

*Minimal State Space Representation*

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{t+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} z_{t+1} \\ g_{t+1} \\ r_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.95 & 0 \\ 0.5450 & 0 & 0.5143 \end{pmatrix}}_{A(\theta)} X_t + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.6055 & 0 & 0.6858 \end{pmatrix}}_{B(\theta)} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{zt+1} \\ \varepsilon_{gt+1} \\ \varepsilon_{rt+1} \end{pmatrix}}_{\varepsilon_{t+1}} \\
 Y_{t+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} r_{t+1} \\ y_{t+1} \\ \pi_{t+1} \\ c_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.5450 & 0 & 0.5143 \\ 1.3377 & 0.95 & -0.8258 \\ 1.3418 & 0 & -0.5596 \\ 1.3377 & 0 & -0.8258 \end{pmatrix}}_{C(\theta)} X_t + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.6055 & 0 & 0.6858 \\ 1.4863 & 1 & -1.1011 \\ 1.4909 & 0 & -0.7462 \\ 1.4863 & 0 & -1.1011 \end{pmatrix}}_{D(\theta)} \varepsilon_{t+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Tol	Nonminimal Model				Minimal Model						
	$\Delta_A^S$	$\Delta_U^S$	$\Delta_{AU}^S$	Pass	$\Delta_A^S$	$\Delta_T^S$	$\Delta_U^S$	$\Delta_{AT}^S$	$\Delta_{AU}^S$	$\Delta^S$	Pass
e-02	11	9	19	No	11	9	9	20	19	28	No
e-03	11	9	19	No	11	9	9	20	19	28	No
e-04	11	9	19	No	11	9	9	20	19	28	No
e-05	11	9	19	No	11	9	9	20	19	28	No
e-06	11	9	19	No	11	9	9	20	19	28	No
e-07	12	9	21	No	11	9	9	20	20	29	No
e-08	12	9	21	No	11	9	9	20	20	29	No
e-09	12	9	21	No	11	9	9	20	20	29	No
e-10	12	9	21	No	12	9	9	21	21	29	No
e-11	12	9	21	No	12	9	9	21	21	29	No
Default	13	9	22	Yes	12	9	9	21	21	30	No
Required	13	9	22		13	9	9	22	22	31	

Full Minimal Model With Restrictions: Tol =  $1e-3$

Restriction		$\bar{\Delta}_A^S$	$\Delta_T^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_U^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{A,T}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{A,U}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}^S$	Pass	
$\nu$	-	-	12	9	9	21	20	29	No
$\nu$	$\phi$	-	13	9	9	22	21	30	No
$\phi$	$\bar{\pi}$	-	13	9	9	22	21	30	No
$\nu$	$\bar{\pi}$	-	13	9	9	22	21	30	No
$\beta$	$\phi$	-	12	9	9	21	20	29	No
$\phi$	$\rho_g$	-	12	9	9	21	20	29	No
$\beta$	$\nu$	$\phi$	13	9	9	22	21	30	No
$\beta$	$\psi_1$	$\psi_2$	11	9	9	20	20	29	No
$\nu$	$\phi$	$\psi_1$	13	9	9	22	22	31	Yes
$\nu$	$\phi$	$\psi_2$	13	9	9	22	22	31	Yes
$\tau$	$\psi_1$	$\psi_2$	11	9	9	20	20	29	No
Required			13	9	9	22	22	31	

Case 1— $r_t$  is dropped so  $Y_t = (y_t, \pi_t, c_t)'$ : The new state space system after deleting the first row of the measurement equation (see Table S.I) is

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{t+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} z_{t+1} \\ g_{t+1} \\ r_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.95 & 0 \\ 0.5450 & 0 & 0.5143 \end{pmatrix}}_{A(\theta)} X_t + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.6055 & 0 & 0.6858 \end{pmatrix}}_{B(\theta)} \varepsilon_{t+1}, \\
 Y_{t+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} y_{t+1} \\ \pi_{t+1} \\ c_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1.3377 & 0.95 & -0.8258 \\ 1.3418 & 0 & -0.5596 \\ 1.3377 & 0 & -0.8258 \end{pmatrix}}_{C(\theta)} X_t \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1.4863 & 1 & -1.1011 \\ 1.4909 & 0 & -0.7462 \\ 1.4863 & 0 & -1.1011 \end{pmatrix}}_{D(\theta)} \varepsilon_{t+1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The square system is still minimal. Yet, using the tolerance  $1e-3$  as in Table II,  $\text{rank } \bar{\Delta}^S(\theta_0) = 27 < 29 = n_\theta + n_X^2 + n_\varepsilon^2$ . Thus  $\theta_0$  cannot be identified from the second moments of  $\{(y_t, \pi_t, c_t)'\}$  alone.

Case 2—Drop  $y_t$  from the observables so  $Y_t = (r_t, \pi_t, c_t)'$ : The new square system is no longer observable as  $\text{rank } \mathcal{O} = 2 < n_X = 3$ . Without minimality, the rank of  $\bar{\Delta}_{AU}^S$  remains necessary for identification. As  $\text{rank } \bar{\Delta}_{AU}^S$  is at most 21 and  $n_\theta + n_\varepsilon^2 = 22$ ,  $\theta_0$  is not identified.

Case 3—Drop  $\pi_t$  from the observables so  $Y_t = (r_t, y_t, c_t)'$ : The new square system is both controllable and observable. But  $\text{rank } \bar{\Delta}^S(\theta_0) = 27 < n_\theta + n_X^2 + n_\varepsilon^2$ , so  $\theta_0$  cannot be identified from the second moments of  $\{(r_t, y_t, c_t)'\}$ .

This example illustrates that dropping some variables from the system can cause identification to fail. It also shows that certain variables can be dropped without altering the identifiability of the model; however, it is not clear how such variables can be chosen a priori.

## S.2. THE SMETS AND WOUTERS MODEL

The model estimated by [Smets and Wouters \(2007\)](#) (SW) is widely cited. The sticky price model has real and nominal rigidities. The endogenous variables are output ( $y_t$ ), consumption ( $c_t$ ), investment ( $i_t$ ), capital services ( $k_t^s$ ),

installed capital ( $k_t$ ), capacity utilization ( $z_t$ ), rental rate ( $r_t^k$ ), Tobin's  $q$  ( $q_t$ ), price markup ( $\mu_t^p$ ), wage markup ( $\mu_t^w$ ), inflation ( $\pi_t$ ), real wage ( $w_t$ ), hours worked ( $l_t$ ), and the nominal interest rate ( $r_t$ ). The monetary policy rule is specified as

$$r_t = \rho_r r_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_r)(r_\pi \pi_t + r_y(y_t - y_t^f)) \\ + r_{\Delta y}((y_t - y_t^f) - (y_{t-1} - y_{t-1}^f)) + e_t^r,$$

where  $y_t^f$  is output of the flexible price economy. Thus variables for the flexible price economy (such as consumption) are also relevant, and these have superscript  $f$ . The steady state values are defined for inflation ( $\bar{\pi}$ ), output growth ( $\bar{y}$ ), level of hours worked ( $\bar{l}$ ), and the nominal interest rate ( $\bar{r}$ ). The model has AR(1) shocks: productivity ( $e_t^a$ ), investment ( $e_t^i$ ), government spending ( $e_t^g$ ), risk premium ( $e_t^b$ ), monetary policy, ( $e_t^r$ ), and two ARMA(1, 1) shocks: wage markup ( $e_t^w$ ) and price markup ( $e_t^p$ ). The unknown parameter vector  $\theta$  is of dimension  $n_\theta = 41$ . The observables used in estimation are  $\Delta y_t$ ,  $\Delta i_t$ ,  $\Delta c_t$ ,  $\Delta w_t$ ,  $r_t$ ,  $\pi_t$ , and  $l_t$ .

We take the GENSYS code written by [Iskrev \(2010\)](#) from the Journal of Monetary Economics website. His implementation of the model consists of 40 equations. Iskrev's specification of the autoregressive moving average (ARMA) shocks is different after GENSYS solves the model. We rewrite these two exogenous processes such that it is not altered by GENSYS. Specifically, an arbitrary ARMA(1, 1) process  $y_t$  with autoregressive (AR) parameter  $\rho$  and moving average (MA) parameter  $\theta$  has state space representation

$$y_{t+1} = a_t + \eta_{t+1}, \\ a_{t+1} = \rho a_t + (\rho + \theta)\eta_{t+1}.$$

If  $y_t$  were observed, the dimension of the state vector would be 1, which is smaller than the usual  $\max(p, q + 1)$  formulation as in [Harvey \(1989\)](#), for example.

The minimal state vector is the smallest number of exogenous and endogenous variables necessary to describe the dynamics of the model. To facilitate isolation of this vector, the state variables are always ordered first in GENSYS. The Smets–Wouters model has 18 such variables. Thus the first nine equations are for the five AR(1) shocks and two ARMA(1, 1) shocks. These are followed by  $c_t$ ,  $i_t$ ,  $k_t^s$ ,  $\pi_t$ ,  $w_t$ ,  $r_t$ ,  $c_t^f$ ,  $i_t^f$ ,  $k_t^{sf}$ ,  $y_t$ , and  $y_t^f$ . The remaining  $40 - 18 = 22$  equations (such as  $l_t$ ) then follow. This solution is determinate. Letting  $\varepsilon_t$  be the seven innovations, GENSYS gives

$$\tilde{X}_{t+1} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{X}_{1,t+1} \\ \tilde{X}_{2,t+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_1(\theta) & 0 \\ A_2(\theta) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{X}_{1t} \\ \tilde{X}_{2t} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B_1(\theta) \\ B_2(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{t+1}, \\ Y_{t+1} = (C_1(\theta) \quad C_2(\theta)) \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{X}_{1,t+1} \\ \tilde{X}_{2,t+1} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\tilde{X}_{1t}$  is  $18 \times 1$ . When  $A_1$  is full rank, the minimal state vector can usually be obtained by finding the columns of zeros in the  $A$  matrix and the rows of zeros in the  $B$  matrix (see the example in Section S.3).

The Smets and Wouters model is somewhat more complicated because the  $18 \times 18$  matrix  $A_1$  only has rank 16. An analysis of the null space of  $A_1$  reveals that there is a dependence between the rows for interest rate  $r_t$ , output  $y_t$ , and output of the flexible price economy  $y_t^f$ . This is not surprising in view of the monetary policy rule which can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} r_t &= \rho \tilde{r}_{t-1} + (1 - \rho)(r_\pi \pi_t + r_y(y_t - y_t^f)) + r_{\Delta y}(y_t - y_t^f) + e_t^r, \\ \tilde{r}_t &= r_t - \frac{r_{\Delta y}}{\rho}(y_t - y_t^f). \end{aligned}$$

The rank deficiency arises because the state vector  $(\tilde{X}_{1,t+1}, \tilde{X}_{2,t+1})$  is really a function of  $\tilde{r}_t$  instead of  $(r_t, y_t, y_t^f)$ . To resolve this problem, a new  $16 \times 1$  state vector  $X_{1t}$  that is defined from  $\tilde{X}_{1t}$  removes this dependency. Let  $Y_t = (y_t, i_t, c_t, w_t, r_t, \pi_t, l_t)$ . The state space system defined for  $X_t = X_{1t}$  and  $Y_t$  is minimal with a state vector that is of dimension 16. The system has seven equations and seven shocks, and is hence full rank. Both Propositions 2-S and 2-NS apply.

Our results are still necessary even without minimality. In such a case,  $\Delta_{AT}^S(\theta_0) \equiv (\Delta_A^S(\theta_0) \ \Delta_T^S(\theta_0))$  and  $\Delta_T^S(\theta_0)$  will be rank deficient and not useful to analyze. However, full rank of  $\Delta_{AU}^S(\theta_0) \equiv (\Delta_A^S(\theta_0) \ \Delta_U^S(\theta_0))$  is still required for identification. While rearranging the model to the minimal representation helps one understand the properties of the model, a case can be made to check the necessary condition before spending the effort to assure sufficiency. For this reason, results for both the minimal and nonminimal models are reported.

We evaluate  $\theta_0$  at the posterior mean reported in Smets and Wouters (2007). The results follow, see Table S.II.

Results for the minimal model in the left panel indicate that the model is not identified from the second moments of  $y_t$  at any tolerance. At Tol =  $1e-3$ ,  $\Delta_A^S(\theta_0)$  is rank deficient by 5, even though  $\Delta_T^S(\theta_0)$  and  $\Delta_U^S(\theta_0)$  are full rank. The results in the right panel show that  $\Delta_{AU}^S(\theta_0)$  of the nonminimal model also has reduced rank. For a range of values of Tol,  $\Delta^S(\theta_0)$  of the minimal model and  $\Delta_{AU}^{NS}(\theta_0)$  of the nonminimal model are both short rank by 5. This suggests five restrictions are necessary.

To isolate the restrictions, we study the null space of  $\Delta^S(\theta_0)$  of the minimal model. The seven smallest entries in the null space correspond to steady state hours ( $\bar{l}$ ), steady state inflation ( $\bar{\pi}$ ), the discount factor ( $\beta$ ), elasticity of capital utilization adjustment cost ( $\phi$ ), steady state output growth ( $\bar{\gamma}$ ), price curvature ( $\varepsilon^p$ ), and wage curvature ( $\varepsilon^w$ ). Obviously, some of these parameters are identifiable from the mean which we can incorporate via  $\varphi(\theta) = 0$ . See Table S.III.

TABLE S.II  
SMETS AND WOUTERS (2007), FULL MODEL

Tol	Minimal Model					Nonminimal Model			
	$\Delta_{\Lambda}^S$	$\Delta_T^S$	$\Delta_U^S$	$\Delta^S$	Pass	$\Delta_{\Lambda}^S$	$\Delta_U^S$	$\Delta_{\Lambda U}^S$	Pass
1.000000e-03	36	256	49	341	No	36	49	85	No
1.000000e-04	36	256	49	341	No	36	49	85	No
1.000000e-05	36	256	49	341	No	36	49	85	No
1.000000e-06	36	256	49	341	No	36	49	85	No
1.000000e-07	38	256	49	341	No	38	49	87	No
1.000000e-08	39	256	49	343	No	39	49	88	No
1.000000e-09	39	256	49	344	No	39	49	88	No
1.000000e-10	39	256	49	344	No	39	49	88	No
1.000000e-11	39	256	49	344	No	39	49	88	No
1.000000e-12	39	256	49	344	No	39	49	88	No
3.973355e-11	39	256	49	344	No	39	49	88	No
Required	41	256	49	346		41	49	90	

Row 1 comprises results for the five restrictions imposed by Smets and Wouters: depreciation ( $\delta$ ), steady state markup ( $\bar{\mu}^w$ ) in the labor market, exogenous spending ( $\bar{g}$ ), price curvature ( $\varepsilon^p$ ), and wage curvature ( $\varepsilon^w$ ). These restrictions evidently do not yield an identifiable model. While the mean restrictions  $\bar{l}$  and  $\bar{\pi}$  help identification, they are not sufficient. Restricting  $\varepsilon^w$

TABLE S.III  
SMETS AND WOUTERS (2007) WITH RESTRICTIONS

Rank Conditions With Tol = 1e-3											
Restriction					$\bar{\Delta}_{\Lambda}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_T^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_U^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{\Lambda T}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{\Lambda U}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}^S$	Pass
$\delta$	$\mu^w$	$\bar{g}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	36	256	49	292	85	341	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$		39	256	49	295	88	344	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{g}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\beta$	$\bar{\mu}^w$	40	256	49	295	88	344	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{\mu}^w$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	40	256	49	296	89	345	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{g}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	40	256	49	296	89	345	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\beta$	$\bar{\mu}^w$	$\varepsilon^w$	40	256	49	296	89	345	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{\gamma}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	49	297	90	346	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	49	297	90	346	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	49	297	90	346	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\phi$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	49	297	90	346	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\lambda$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	49	297	90	346	Yes
Required					41	256	49	297	90	346	

TABLE S.IV  
SMETS AND WOUTERS MODEL WITHOUT  $l_t, n_Y < n_\varepsilon$

Rank Conditions With Restrictions: Tol = 1e-3					$\bar{\Delta}_\lambda^{\text{NS}}$	$\bar{\Delta}_T^{\text{NS}}$	$\bar{\Delta}^{\text{NS}}$	Pass
Restriction								
–	–	–	–	–	36	256	292	No
$\delta$	$\bar{\mu}^w$	$\bar{g}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	39	256	295	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$		40	256	296	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{\mu}^w$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	40	256	296	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{g}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	40	256	296	No
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	297	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\bar{\gamma}$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	297	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	297	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\phi$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	297	Yes
$\bar{l}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\lambda$	$\varepsilon^p$	$\varepsilon^w$	41	256	297	Yes
Required					41	256	297	

without restricting  $\varepsilon^p$  will not enable identification. All identifiable models involve restricting parameters suggested by the null space of  $\Delta^S(\theta_0)$ .

We also see if the model is identified at the prior means used in [Smets and Wouters \(2007\)](#). The results are the same as those reported above for the posterior mean: restrictions on  $\bar{l}$ ,  $\bar{\pi}$ ,  $\varepsilon^p$ ,  $\varepsilon^w$ , and one of  $\beta$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\phi$ , or  $\lambda$ . Non-identification of this model is purely a consequence of parameter dependency. Similarity transformations leading to identical transfer functions play no role here. These results thus agree with [Iskrev \(2010\)](#).

Removing labor supply from the observables would result in more shocks than observables. Hence, only the results for nonsingular models apply here. We obtain the following results, see [Table S.IV](#).

The results are exactly the same as when labor supply was used. Further analysis reveals that the analysis holds up when additional variables are dropped. However,  $\theta_0$  is not identifiable when  $n_Y \leq 3$ .

### S.3. THE CHRISTIANO–EICHENBAUM–EVANS MODEL

The model of [Christiano, Eichenbaum, and Evans \(2005\)](#) (CEE) has as many features as the Smets–Wouters model, but the CEE has only two shocks: technology ( $z_t$ ) and government spending ( $g_t$ ). [Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe \(2004\)](#) used a version of the CEE model to assess welfare effects using higher order solution methods. We use their code (available at <http://www.columbia.edu/~mu2166/cee/cee.html>) to symbolically obtain a first order linear approximation. Their function then solves the model by  $qz$ -decomposition, and returns  $H$  and  $G$ , where  $\tilde{X}_{t+1} = H\tilde{X}_t$  and  $Z_t = G\tilde{X}_t$ ,  $\tilde{X}_t$  is a  $11 \times 1$  state vector declared

by the user, and  $Z_t$  is also  $11 \times 1$ . One advantage of this rational expectations model solver (which is a version of Klein's code) is that the user specifies the dimension of the state vector and the output matrices are "almost" what is required for our analysis. The missing step is to find the matrices that characterize the impact response of  $\tilde{X}_t$  and  $Z_t$  to  $\varepsilon_t$ . These matrices were derived in Klein (2000) and also explained in Anderson (2008). We verify that when applied to the An-Schorfheide model, the code agrees with the GENSYS and DYNARE output provided by the authors. Given  $G$ ,  $H$ , and the two impact matrices, simple rearrangement gives  $A_1$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $C_1$ , and  $D_1$ , which allows us to proceed to test minimality.

The objective of Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe (2004) was to perform a welfare analysis using a second order approximation of the CEE model. We only analyze the linear approximation to the model. A rank test finds that the  $11 \times 1$  vector  $\tilde{X}_t$  declared by the user is not minimal. These 11 variables are  $c_t$ ,  $i_t$ ,  $r_t$ ,  $\pi_t$ ,  $y_t$ ,  $s_t$ ,  $\tilde{s}_t$ ,  $w_{t-1}$ ,  $k_t$ ,  $g_t$ , and  $z_t$ . Inspection of  $A_1$  reveals that columns 3 and 5 are zeros. Removing these variables from  $\tilde{X}_t$  leads to a  $9 \times 1$  state vector  $X_t = (c_t, \pi_t, r_t, q_t, s_t, \tilde{s}_t, y_t, h_t, u_t)$ . As noted in Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe (2004), the variables  $s_t$  and  $\tilde{s}_t$  have no first order effects and are thus superfluous, implying that system expressed in terms of  $X_t$  is still not minimal. In particular, the system is not controllable. A minimal system can be obtained by removing  $s_t$ , and  $\tilde{s}_t$  from the analysis altogether. However, our rank conditions are still necessary for identification.

The model has a total of 25 unknown parameters which were calibrated by Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe (2004). We fix the steady state share of government purchases in value added, Tobin's  $Q$ , steady state productivity, steady state capacity utilization, and a parameter that scales the standard deviation of shocks. We also set the degree of wage indexation to the 1. (The solution is not unique otherwise.) We then proceed to assess identifiability of the remaining 18 dimensional  $\theta$ . As there are two shocks and four observables, Proposition 2-S applies. See Table S.V.

The 18 parameters in the model are not identified. The rank of  $\Delta^S(\theta_0)$  suggests four restrictions. The smallest entries in the null space of  $\Delta^S(\theta_0)$  are due to steady state labor demand ( $\bar{h}$ ), the cash in advance constraint parameter ( $\nu$ ), inflation target  $\bar{\pi}$ , labor elasticity of substitution ( $\eta$ ), and a money demand parameter ( $\sigma^m$ ). See Table S.VI.

The conditional rank analysis shows that identification requires two mean restrictions on  $\bar{h}$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\sigma^m$ , and either  $\nu$  or  $\bar{\pi}$ . The results hold when more observables are used in the identification analysis.

#### S.4. THE CICCOPANCAZI-URIBE MODEL

Cicco, Pancrazi, and Uribe (2010) considered two real business models for emerging countries: one with two shocks and a more elaborate model with frictions that has five shocks. We focus on the big model with frictions.



TABLE S.V  
CHRISTIANO, EICHENBAUM, AND EVANS (2005)

Minimal Model							
Tol	$\Delta_A^S$	$\Delta_T^S$	$\Delta_U^S$	$\Delta_{AT}^S$	$\Delta_{AU}^S$	$\Delta^S$	Pass
1.0e-02	14	81	4	94	18	96	No
1.0e-03	14	81	4	95	18	99	No
1.0e-04	14	81	4	95	18	99	No
1.0e-05	14	81	4	95	18	99	No
1.0e-06	14	81	4	95	18	99	No
1.0e-07	14	81	4	95	18	99	No
1.0e-08	15	81	4	96	19	99	No
1.0e-09	15	81	4	96	19	100	No
1.0e-10	15	81	4	96	19	100	No
1.0e-11	15	81	4	96	19	100	No
Default	17	81	4	97	21	101	No
Required	18	81	4	99	22	103	

The code available for download at [http://www.columbia.edu/~mu2166/rbc\\_emerging/rbc\\_emerging.html](http://www.columbia.edu/~mu2166/rbc_emerging/rbc_emerging.html) produces  $\tilde{X}_t = H\tilde{X}_{t-1}$  and  $Z_t = G\tilde{X}_t$ , where  $\tilde{X}_t$  is an  $11 \times 1$  vector and  $Z_t$  is  $9 \times 1$ . The first step is again to work out the impact matrices. The  $H$  matrix has three columns of zeros and the  $B_1$  matrix has one row of zeros. Removing the associated variables yields a seven dimensional state vector that along with four observables in the  $Z_t$  vector—consumption growth, output growth, investment growth, and the ratio of trade balance to output—yields a minimal system.

The authors estimated 13 parameters, including 10 autoregressive parameters and standard deviations for the 5 mutually uncorrelated shocks. There are five shocks and four observables. Hence the model is nonsingular and Proposition 2-NS applies. See Table S.VII.

TABLE S.VI  
CHRISTIANO, EICHENBAUM, AND EVANS (2005) WITH RESTRICTIONS

Rank Conditions: Tol = 1e-3										
Restriction				$\bar{\Delta}_A^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_T^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_U^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{AT}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}_{AU}^S$	$\bar{\Delta}^S$	Pass
$\bar{h}$	$\eta$	$\sigma^m$		17	81	4	98	21	102	No
$\bar{h}$	$\nu$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\sigma^m$	17	81	4	98	21	102	No
$\bar{h}$	$\nu$	$\eta$	$\sigma^m$	18	81	4	99	22	103	Yes
$\bar{h}$	$\bar{\pi}$	$\eta$	$\sigma^m$	18	81	4	99	22	103	Yes
Required				18	81	4	99	22	103	

TABLE S.VII  
CICCO, PANCAZZI, AND URIBE MODEL

Model Frictions				
Tol	$\Delta_A^{NS}$	$\Delta_T^{NS}$	$\Delta^{NS}$	Pass
1.00e-02	12	48	58	No
1.00e-03	13	48	61	No
1.00e-04	13	49	62	Yes
1.00e-05	13	49	62	Yes
1.00e-06	13	49	62	Yes
1.00e-07	13	49	62	Yes
Default	13	49	62	Yes
Required	13	49	62	

The model is identified at  $\text{Tol} \leq 1e-4$ . The fact that  $\Delta_T^{NS}(\theta_0)$  and  $\Delta^{NS}(\theta_0)$  are short rank when  $\text{Tol} = 1e-3$  suggests the possibility of similar transfer functions. However, the null space of  $\Delta^{NS}$  is empty. Thus, we view the model as identified at  $\theta_0$ .

#### S.5. MATLAB CODE FOR COMPUTING THE $\Delta(\theta_0)$ MATRIX

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% Given solv_sw07 solves the model by gensys and
% returns ABCD.
% delta_sw07 computes the four Delta matrices

function [Delta,Delta_lambda,Delta_T,Delta_U] =
    delta_sw07(theta,A,B,C,D,Sigma)

lambda = [vec(A); vec(B); vec(C); vec(D); vec(Sigma)];
n_x = size(A,1);
n_eps = size(B,2);
n_y = size(C,1);

% compute numerical derivatives with respect to theta
Delta_lambda = zeros(size(lambda,1),size(theta,1));
for i=1:1:size(theta)
    delta_theta = zeros(size(theta));
    delta_theta(i) = theta(i)*1e-3;
    if delta_theta(i) ==0; delta_theta(i)=1e-3; end;
    theta_p = theta + delta_theta;
    [minA,minB,minC,minD,Sigma]=solv_sw07(theta_p,flex);
    lambda_p = [vec(minA); vec(minB); vec(minC);
                vec(minD); vec(Sigma)];
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theta_m = theta - delta_theta;
[minA,minB,minC,minD,Sigma]=solv_sw07(theta_m,flex);
lambda_m = [vec(minA); vec(minB); vec(minC);
            vec(minD); vec(Sigma)];
Delta_lambda(:,i) = (lambda_p - lambda_m)
                    / (2*delta_theta(i));
end;

% computes the permutation matrix T
T = [];
for j=1:1:n_eps
    ind_j = zeros(n_eps,1); ind_j(j) = 1;
    T = [T, kron(eye(n_eps,n_eps),ind_j)];
end

% computes Delta_T
Delta_T = [kron(A',eye(n_x)) - kron(eye(n_x),A);
           kron(B',eye(n_x));
           -1*kron(eye(n_x),C);
           zeros(n_y*n_eps,n_x^2);
           zeros(n_eps^2,n_x^2)];

%computes Delta_U
Delta_U = [zeros(n_x^2,n_eps^2);
           kron(eye(n_eps),B);
           zeros(n_y*n_x,n_eps^2);
           kron(eye(n_eps),D);
           -1*(eye(n_eps^2) + T)
           *kron(Sigma,eye(n_eps))];

Delta = [Delta_lambda, Delta_T, Delta_U];

Delta_orth=null(Delta,'r')
% computes the null space of Delta
function [K,S] = dare_kn(A,B,C,D,Sigma,TolCV)

% dare_kn.m
%
% This program solves the Riccati matrix difference
% equations associated with the Kalman filter by
% iterating until the tolerance TolCV is reached.
%
% Inputs: A is n x n, B is n_y x n_e, C is n_y x n,
% D is n_y x n_e, TolCV is a scalar.

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% Outputs: steady state Kalman gain K is n_y x n_y,
% stationary covariance matrix S of the one-step ahead
% errors a(t+1) in forecasting y(t+1) is n_y x n_y.
%
% The program creates the Kalman filter for the
% following system:
% x(t+1) = A*x(t) + B*e(t+1)
% y(t+1) = C*x(t) + D*e(t+1).
%
% The program creates an innovations representation:
% xx(t+1) = A*xx(t) + K*a(t+1)
% y(t+1) = C*xx(t) + a(t+1),
% where K is the (steady state) Kalman gain, S is the
% covariance matrix of the one-step-ahead forecast
% error S = E[a(t)*a(t)'], and a(t+1) = y(t+1) - E[y(t+
% 1) | y(t), y(t-1), ... ], and xx(t) = E[x(t) | y(t), ...].

% Initialization
Q = B*Sigma*B'; % Q is n x n
R = D*Sigma*D'; % R is n_y x n_y
P = B*Sigma*D';
g0 = Q;
dd = 1;

% Iterating until steady state
while dd > TolCV
    b0 = A*g0*C' + P;
    s0 = C*g0*C' + R;
    k0 = b0/s0;
    g1 = A*g0*A' + Q - k0*s0*k0';
    b1 = A*g1*C' + P;
    s1 = C*g1*C' + R;
    k1 = b1/s1;
    dd=max(max(abs(k1-k0)));
    g0=g1;
end

K=k1;
S=s1;

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