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A financial market model with endogenous fundamental values through imitative behavior

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Our updating mechanism is similar to the switching mechanism in Brock and Hommes (1997), used also by De Grauwe and Rovira Kaltwasser (2012).

Moreover, differently from the majority of the literature on the topic (see e.g. De Grauwe and Rovira Kaltwasser, 2012) and similarly to Naimzada and Pireddu (2014b), the stock price is for us determined by a nonlinear Walrasian mechanism that prevents divergence issues.

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Y(t+1) = F \frac{1}{1+e^{-\beta(\pi_X(t+1)-\pi_Y(t+1))}} + \overline{f} \frac{1}{1+e^{\beta(\pi_X(t+1)-\pi_Y(t+1))}} \\
P(t+1) = P(t) + \gamma a_2 \left(\frac{a_1+a_2}{a_1e^{-(\omega\sigma_X(X(t)-P(t))+(1-\omega)\sigma_Y(Y(t)-P(t)))}+a_2} - 1 \right)
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Also when $\sigma_X = \sigma_Y$ and $\omega = \frac{1}{2}$, we find $P^* = F$, even if now $X^* \neq F \neq Y^*$.

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For $t \ge 1$, the dynamical system associated to (2) is equivalent to that associated to the two-dimensional map

$$G = (G_1, G_2) : (\underline{f}, F) \times (0, +\infty) \to \mathbb{R}^2,$$
$$(\underline{X}, \underline{P}) \mapsto (G_1(X, \underline{P}), G_2(X, \underline{P})),$$

defined as:

$$\begin{split} G_{1}(X,P) &= F - \left(\frac{\Delta}{1 + e^{-\beta \left(\gamma a_{2} \left(\frac{a_{1} + a_{2}}{a_{1} e^{-(\omega \sigma_{X}(X-P) + (1-\omega)\sigma_{Y}(X+\Delta-P))} + a_{2}}^{-1} \right) \left(\sigma_{X}(X-P) - \sigma_{Y}(X+\Delta-P) \right) \right)} \right) \\ G_{2}(X,P) &= P + \gamma a_{2} \left(\frac{a_{1} + a_{2}}{a_{1} e^{-(\omega \sigma_{X}(X-P) + (1-\omega)\sigma_{Y}(X+\Delta-P))} + a_{2}} - 1 \right), \end{split}$$

i.e., the two systems generate the same trajectories.

3. Stability analysis

Map G has a unique fixed point in

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We use the well-known Jury conditions (see Jury, 1964):

 $\det(J) < 1, \quad 1 + \operatorname{tr}(J) + \det(J) > 0, \quad 1 - \operatorname{tr}(J) + \det(J) > 0.$

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or

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4. Numerical results

First scenario: destabilizing role of β

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FIGURE 1: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\beta \in [0, 20]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = F = 1$, $\Delta = 0.8$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 0.25, Y(0) = 1.2 and P(0) = 3.

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FIGURE 2: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\beta \in [0, 3.5]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 5$, F = 2, $\Delta = 0.8$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.5, Y(0) = 2.5 and P(0) = 3.



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FIGURE 3: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\beta \in [0, 2.3]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4.31$, $F = 2, \Delta = 0.8, a_1 = 2.6, a_2 = 1, \omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.6, Y(0) = 2.5 and P(0) = 3.

Third scenario: no stabilization with β

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FIGURE 4: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\beta \in [0, 10]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4$, F = 2, $\Delta = 0.8$, $a_1 = 3$, $a_2 = 2$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.3, Y(0) = 2.5 and P(0) = 2.

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The stability conditions would read as

$$1.823 \simeq \frac{2(\widetilde{\gamma} - 2)}{\widetilde{\gamma}\Delta^2} < \beta < \frac{4}{\widetilde{\gamma}\Delta^2} \simeq 1.302$$

First scenario: destabilizing role of Δ

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FIGURE 5: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\Delta \in [0, 1]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = F = 1$, $\beta = 10$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 0.25, Y(0) = 1.2 and P(0) = 3.

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The Hopf bifurcation occurs for $\Delta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\tilde{\gamma}\beta}} \simeq 0.894$.



FIGURE 6: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\Delta \in [0, 0.5]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4.5$, F = 1.3, $\beta = 10$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.1, Y(0) = 1.4 and P(0) = 3.



FIGURE 6: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\Delta \in [0, 0.5]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4.5$, F = 1.3, $\beta = 10$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.1, Y(0) = 1.4 and P(0) = 3.

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The flip bifurcation occurs for $\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2(\tilde{\gamma}-2)}{\tilde{\gamma}\beta}} \simeq 0.149$. The Hopf bifurcation occurs for $\Delta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\tilde{\gamma}\beta}} \simeq 0.421$. With $a_1 \neq a_2$, complex dynamics can occur also for small values of Δ .

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FIGURE 7: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\Delta \in [0, 1.684]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4.2, F = 3, \beta = 0.5, a_1 = 3.3, a_2 = 1, \omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.6, Y(0) = 4.5 and P(0) = 3.

Third scenario: no stabilization with Δ

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FIGURE 8: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\Delta \in [0,3]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 5.4$, F = 4, $\beta = 0.5$, $a_1 = 3.3$, $a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.6, Y(0) = 4.5 and P(0) = 3.

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The stability conditions would read as

$$1.438 \simeq \sqrt{\frac{2(\widetilde{\gamma} - 2)}{\widetilde{\gamma}\beta}} < \Delta < \frac{2}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}\beta}} \simeq 1.389$$

Economic interpretation



FIGURE 9: The time series for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, respectively, for $\gamma = 5.1$, F = 2, $\beta = 5.35$, $a_1 = a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, $\Delta = 0.8$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.5, Y(0) = 2.5 and P(0) = 2.1.


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Some multistability phenomena

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FIGURE 11: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\beta \in [1.5, 3]$ for P with $\gamma = 5$, F = 2, $\Delta = 0.8$, $a_1 = 2.6$, $a_2 = 1$, $\omega = 0.5$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.3, Y(0) = 2.5, and P(0) = 2 for the blue points, P(0) = 3 for the red points, and P(0) = 2.1 for the green points, respectively.



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5. Possible extensions

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Hence, with $\beta = 0$ we are in the framework by De Grauwe and Rovira Kaltwasser (2012) with bias $a = \frac{\Delta}{2}$, except for our nonlinear price adjustment mechanism.



FIGURE 15: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\mu \in [0, 3]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4$, F = 2, $\beta = 0$, $a_1 = 2$, $a_2 = 1$, $\Delta = 1$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.6, Y(0) = 2.8 and P(0) = 3.



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For the price, a flip bifurcation occurs for $\mu \simeq 0.55$ and a Hopf bifurcation occurs for $\mu \simeq 1.4$.



FIGURE 16: The bifurcation diagram with respect to $\mu \in [0, 3]$ for X in blue, Y in red and P in green, for $\gamma = 4$, F = 2, $\beta = 0.2$, $a_1 = 2$, $a_2 = 1$, $\Delta = 1$, and the initial conditions X(0) = 1.6, Y(0) = 2.8 and P(0) = 3.



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A flip bifurcation occurs for $\mu \simeq 0.3$ and a Hopf bifurcation occurs for $\mu \simeq 1.25$.

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