BUSINESS CYCLES IN A DYNAMIC GENERAL EQUILIBRIUM MODEL WITH MONOPOLISTIC AND PERFECT COMPETITION

Tam ve Tekelci Rekabet Üzerinden Dinamik Genel Denge Modelindeki İktisadi Dalgalanma

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Abstract

The purpose of this study is to explain business cycles by developing a neoclassical growth model with perfect and monopolistic competition. The study generalizes the model by Zhang (2019) by making all the constant coefficients to be time dependent. The model determines income and wealth distribution on the basis of Walrasian general equilibrium theory, neoclassical growth theory, and Dixit-Stiglitz monopolistic competitive theory. The paper makes a unique contribution to the literature of economic growth with perfect and monopolistic competition by showing existence of business cycles due to exogenous shocks in the model with the economic mechanisms in the three main models of economic theory. The study shows how different shocks cause business cycles as argued by real business theory in macroeconomics.

Keywords: Business cycles; Solow growth model; periodic shocks; Dixit-Stiglitz model; monopolistic competition.

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Öz

Bu çalışmanın amacı iktisadi dalgalanmayı tam ve tekelci rekabet üzerinden neoklasik bir büyüme modeli geliştirerek açıklamaktır. Çalışma Zhang (2019) tarafından oluşturulan modeli tüm sabit değişkenleri zamana bağımlı hale getirerek genelleştirmektedir. Model gelir ve servet dağılımını Walrasyan genel denge teorisi, neoklasik büyüme teorisi ve Dİxit-Stiglitz tekelci rekabet teorisi temeline göre belirlemektedir. Makale iktisadi dalgalanmanın varlığını modeldeki dışsal şoklara bağlı olarak ekonomik teorideki üç temel modeldeki mekanizmalar aracılığıyla göstererek tam ve tekelci rekabetle ekonomik büyüme literatürüne özgün bir katkı sağlamaktadır. Çalışma makroekonomideki reel iktisadi dalgalanma teorisinde savunulduğu gibi farklı şokların iktisadi dalgalanmaya nasıl yol açtığını göstermektedir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: İktisadi dalgalanma, solow büyüme modeli, dönemsel şoklar, dixit-stiglitz modeli, tekelci rekabet

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1. Introduction

Modern economies are characterized by different types of consumers, different kinds of goods and services, and different market structures. Moreover, these different forces and their relations are changeable over time. How to properly model these complicated interactions in a single comprehensive framework with solid microeconomic foundation is obviously a challenging theoretical problem. Zhang (2005, 2008) has attempted to construct an analytical framework to examine various issues of economics in an integrated manner. This paper is another application of Zhang's alternative approach with the concept of disposable income and utility function to study business cycles caused by interdependence of economic mechanisms in some core models in economic theory. It introduces different periodic shocks to a generalized Zhang model to see how business cycles appear as emphasized in real business cycle theory.

This study generalizes the model by Zhang (2019) by making all the constant coefficients to be time dependent. Zhang builds a neoclassical growth model of heterogenous households with perfect and monopolistic competition. Dynamic general equilibrium is influenced

by Walrasian general equilibrium theory (e.g., Walras, 1874; Arrow and Debreu, 1954; Arrow and Hahn, 1971; and Mas-Colell et al., 1995). Capital accumulation and final goods production with perfect competition are according to neoclassical growth theory (e.g., Solow, 1956; see also Burmeister and Dobell, 1970; and Zhang, 2008). Intermediate goods sector is modelled according to the Dixit-Stiglitz model with monopolistic competition (e.g., Dixit and Stiglitz, 1977; see also Krugman, 1979; Bertoletti and Etro, 2015; and Parenti, et.al., 2017). This paper is mainly concerned with demonstrating business cycles with different economic mechanisms. Different economic theories exist for explaining business cycles in the literature of economic dynamics (e.g., Zhang, 1991, 2006; Lorenz, 1993; Flaschel et al 1997; Chiarella and Flaschel, 2000). In macroeconomics courses, undergraduates are taught Keynesian business cycle theory (which emphasizes dynamics of monetary policies and monetary variables as causes) and real business cycle theory (which emphasizes real variable shocks as such technological changes as causes). However, there are only a few formal business cycles models built on microeconomic foundation. This paper makes a contribution to the literature of business cycles. Section 2 constructs the basic model of business cycles. Section 3 deals with properties of the dynamic model and plots the movement of the economy. Section 4 gives effects of various exogenous periodic shocks. Section 5 concludes the paper.

2. The Model with Exogenous Time-Dependents Perturbations

This section generalizes the neoclassical growth model of heterogeneous households with perfect competition and monopolistic competition proposed by Zhang (2019). The model is an integration Walrasian general theory, Solow's growth model (Solow, 1956) and model of monopolistic competition proposed by Dixit and Stiglitz (1977). The different approaches are integrated within a single framework by applying Zhang's concept of disposable income and utility function. As the model in this paper is only makes time-independent parameters to be time-dependent, we define the model without much explaining the model in detail.

2.1. The total labor force

The economy is composed by J groups of people, indexed by, j = 1,...,J. People are 1 classified due to levels of human capital and preferences. Variables $T_j(t)T(t)$ represent the work time of household j. The total labor force and (t) is given by:

$$N(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{1} h_j(t) T_j(t) \overline{N}_j(t)$$
(1)

In which $h_j(t)$ and $\overline{N}_j(t)$ are respectively the level of human capital and the population of group j. This paper treats $\overline{N}_j(t)$ and $h_j(t)$ as exogenous time-dependent coefficients.

2.2. The final goods sector

We use (t), $\widetilde{N}(t)$ and (t) to represent the capital input, labor input and output of the final goods sector. We use the Cobb-Douglas production function as follows:

$$F(t) = AK^{\alpha(t)}(t)\widetilde{N}^{\beta(t)}(t), 0 < \alpha(t), \beta(t) < 1, \alpha(t) + \beta(t) = 1$$
(2)

in which A(t), $\alpha(t)$ and $\beta(t)$ are time-dependent coefficients. Capital good is used as numeraire. Physical capital is depreciated at a rate $\delta_k(t)$. The wage rate (t) and rate of interest (t) are exogenously given to the sector. The profit of the final goods sector is:

$$\pi_0(t) = F(t) - (r(t) + \delta_k(t))K(t) - w(t)\widetilde{N}(t).$$

The first-order conditions for maximization are:

$$R(t) = \frac{\alpha(t)F(t)}{K(t)}, \quad w(t) = \frac{\beta(t)F(t)}{\widetilde{N}(t)}, \quad w_j(t) = h_j(t)w(t)$$
(3)

in which $w_j(t)$ is the wage rate of household j and $R_{\delta}(t) \equiv r(t) + \delta_k(t)$. Equations (3) $w_j(t) = h_j(t)$. This means that each worker is fairly paid on basis of the work efficiency.

2.3. Profit distribution, current income and disposable income

This paper uses the approach to describing behavior of households proposed by Zhang (1993). The concept of disposable income and utility function are applied to different economic problems in different

fields of theoretical economics (see also, Zhang, 2005, 2008). Let $\bar{k}_j(t)$ denote group's household wealth. As in Zhang (2019), the total profit in the middle goods sector is equally shared between the households. Variable $\pi_{j(t)}$ denotes the profit shared by household j. The current income of household j:

$$y_{j}(t) = r(t)\bar{k}_{j}(t) + h_{j}(t)T_{j}(t)w(t) + \pi_{j}(t)$$
 (4)

Variable $\hat{y}_j(t)$ represents household j's disposable income. It is the current disposable income and the value of wealth:

$$\hat{y}_{j}(t) = y_{j}(t) + \overline{k}_{j}(t) \tag{5}$$

2.4. Aggregating middle goods, Composite good for

Household j distributes the disposable income between saving $s_j(t)$, consuming final goods $d_j(t)$, and consuming middle goods $\widetilde{c}_j(\varepsilon,t)$. Variable $\widetilde{c}_j(\varepsilon,t)$ is the amount of variety ε consumed by household j. Let variety ε distribute within the range from 0 to $,\varepsilon\in[0,n]$. Following Dixit and Stiglitz (1977, see also Spence, 1976; and Tirole, 1988), we define composite good as follows:

$$c_{j}(t) = \left(\int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{c}_{j}^{\overline{\theta}(t)}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon\right)^{\frac{1}{\overline{\theta}(t)}}, \quad 1 > \overline{\theta}_{j}(t) > 0 \tag{6}$$

where $\overline{\theta}(t)$ is a positive parameter.

Let the price of $\tilde{c}_j(\varepsilon,t)$ be denoted by $\tilde{p}_j(\varepsilon,t)$. The disposable income is spent on saving, consuming final goods, and consuming middle goods. We have the budget constraint as follows:

$$d_{j}(t) + \int_{0}^{n} \widetilde{p}_{j}(\varepsilon, t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t)d\varepsilon + s_{j}(t) = \hat{y}_{j}(t)$$
 (7)

We use $\overline{T}_j(t)$ to denote the leisure time and T_0 (fixed) available time for household j. The time constraint is expressed by:

$$T_i(t) + \overline{T}_i(t) = T_0$$

Inserting $T_i + \overline{T}_i = T_0$ in (4) yields:

$$\hat{y}_{j}(t) = R(t)\overline{k}_{j}(t) - h_{j}(t)\overline{T}_{j}(t)w(t) + W_{j}(t)$$
(8)

in which (5) is applied and

$$R(t) \equiv 1 + r(t), \ W_{i}(t) \equiv h_{i}(t)T_{0}w(t) + \pi_{i}(t)$$

Substituting (8) into (7), we get:

$$h_{j}(t)\overline{T}_{j}(t)w(t) + d_{j}(t) + \int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)d\varepsilon + s_{j}(t) = \overline{y}_{j}(t)$$
in which
$$(9)$$

$$\bar{y}_{i}(t) = R(t)\bar{k}_{i}(t) + W_{i}(t)$$

Utility functions and optimal behavior

Utility function $U_i(t)$ is taken on the following form:

$$U_{j}(t) = T_{j}^{\sigma_{0j}(t)} c_{j}^{\chi_{0j}(t)}(t) d_{j}^{\xi_{0j}(t)}(t) s_{j}^{\lambda_{0j}(t)},$$

$$\sigma_{0j}(t), \xi_{0j}(t), \lambda_{0j}(t), \chi_{0j}(t) > 0$$
(10)

in which $\chi_{0j}(t)$ is the propensity to consume intermediates, $\xi_{0j}(t)$ is the propensity to consume final good, $\sigma_{0j}(t)$ is the propensity to use leisure time, and $\lambda_{0j}(t)$ is the propensity to save.

We use the two-stage method to analyze behavior of households (e.g., Dixit-Stiglitz, 1977; Chang, 2012). In the first stage, consider a price (t) for (t). The budget is then:

$$h_{j}(t)w(t)\overline{T}_{j}(t)d_{j}(t) + p(t)c_{j}(t) + s_{j}(t) = \overline{y}_{j}(t)$$
 (11)

The optimal solution is expressed as:

$$h_{j}(t)w(t)\overline{T}_{j}(t) = \sigma_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t), \quad d_{j}(t) = \xi_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t), \quad p(t)c_{j}(t) = \chi_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t),$$

$$s_{j}(t) = \lambda_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t)$$
(12)

in which

$$\sigma_j(t) \equiv p_j(t)\sigma_{0j}(t), \quad \xi_j(t) \equiv p_j(t)\xi_{0j}(t), \quad \chi_j(t) \equiv p_j(t)\chi_{0j}(t),$$

$$\lambda_{j}(t) \equiv p_{j}(t)\lambda_{0j}(t), \quad p_{j}(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{0j}(t) + \xi_{0j}(t) + \chi_{0j}(t) + \lambda_{0j}(t)}$$

The second-stage maximization is to optimize $c_j(t)$ by deciding under the constraint:

$$\int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon, t) \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon = p(t) c_{j}(t)$$
(13)

The Langrangian function for the question is:

$$L_{j}(t) = \left(\int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{c}_{j}^{\theta(t)}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}(t)} + h_{j}(t) \{p(t)c_{j}(t) - \int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon, t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon\}$$
(14)

in which $h_j(t)$ is the Lagrangian multiplier. The first-order conditions are:

$$\frac{\partial L_{j}(t)}{\partial \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)} = c_{j}^{1-\overline{\theta}}(t)\widetilde{c}_{j}^{\overline{\theta}-1}(\varepsilon,t) - h_{j}(t)\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial L_{j}(t)}{\partial h_{j}(t)} = p(t)c_{j}(t) - \int_{0}^{n} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)d\varepsilon = 0$$
(15)

Equations (15) imply:

$$c_{i}^{1-\overline{\theta}(t)}(t)\widetilde{c}_{i}^{\overline{\theta}(t)-1}(\varepsilon,t) = h_{i}(t)\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)$$
(16)

Equation (16) yields:

$$\frac{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)}{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\mu,t)} = \left(\frac{\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)}{\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)}\right)^{1/(\overline{\rho}(t)-1)} = \left(\frac{\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)}{\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)}\right)^{-\omega(t)}, \quad \overline{\theta}(t) = 1 - \frac{1}{\omega(t)}$$
(17)

where $\omega_j(t)\omega j(t)$ is the elasticity of substitution between any two varieties:

$$\frac{\left(\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)/\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)\right)}{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)/\widetilde{c}_{j}(\mu,t)}\frac{d\binom{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)/\widetilde{c}_{j}(\mu,t)}{d\binom{\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)/\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)}{\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)}} = \omega(t)$$

with (15) we also get:

$$\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t) = \left(\frac{\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)}{\widetilde{p}(\mu,t)}\right)^{\gamma(t)}\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\mu,t)$$

in which $\gamma(t) = \frac{1}{(\bar{\theta}(t)-1)}$ From the above equations, we get:

$$p(t)c_{j}(t) = \chi_{j}(t)\gamma_{j}(t) = \int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t)d\varepsilon$$

$$\frac{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\gamma,t)}{\widetilde{p}^{\gamma(t)}(\gamma,t)} \int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}^{\overline{\theta}(t)\gamma(t)}(\varepsilon,t)d\varepsilon = \frac{\widetilde{c}_{j}(\gamma,t)P_{j}(t)}{\widetilde{p}^{\gamma(t)}(\gamma,t)}$$
(18)

in which

$$P_{j}(t) = \int_{0}^{n} \widetilde{p}^{\overline{\theta}(t)\gamma(t)}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon$$

We thus obtain:

$$\widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon,t) = \chi_{j}(t)\overline{\gamma}_{j}(t)\widetilde{p}^{\gamma(t)}(\varepsilon,t)P_{j}^{-1}(t)$$
(19)

From (19), we get

$$p(t) = \frac{\chi_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t)}{c_{j}(t)} = \left(\int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{c}_{j}^{\overline{\theta}(t)}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon\right)^{-1/\overline{\theta}(t)} \chi_{j}(t)\overline{y}_{j}(t) = P_{j}(t)^{-1/\overline{\theta}(t)}\gamma(t)$$
(20)

We calculate the value share of ε in the total value of intermediates as:

$$\varphi(\varepsilon,t) = \frac{\widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t)\widetilde{c}(\varepsilon,t)}{\overline{y}(t)}$$
(21)

in which

$$\overline{y}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \overline{N}_{j}(t) \int_{0}^{n(t)} \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon, t) \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon, \quad \widetilde{c}(\varepsilon, t) = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) \overline{N}_{j}(t)$$

Accumulation of wealth

Saving minus dissaving is the change in the household's wealth:

$$\dot{k}_j(t) = s_j(t) - \bar{k}_j(t) \tag{22}$$

The middle goods sector

Middle goods Markets are of monopolistic competition. There is no middle good which has an attribute very close to any given attribute of any other product. No firm considers possible impacts of its decisions on any other firm. Market equilibrium of demand and supply implies:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{J} \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) \overline{N}_{j}(t) = x(\varepsilon, t)$$
(23)

where $x(\varepsilon,t)$ is the output level of variety ε . All the firms for meddle goods have the same cost 15 function. The labor force employed in production $l(\varepsilon,t)$ is linearly related to output:

$$l(\varepsilon,t) = \widetilde{\alpha}(t) + \widetilde{\beta}(t) x(\varepsilon,t)$$
(24)

where $\widetilde{\alpha}(t)$ is a fixed cost and $\widetilde{\beta}(t)$ is a positive parameter. The middle goods sector's total labor force $N_{\nu}(t)$ is:

$$N_{x}(t) = \int_{0}^{n(t)} l(\varepsilon, t) d\varepsilon \tag{25}$$

Producer ε 's profit is:

$$\overline{\pi}(\varepsilon,t) = \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon,t) \, x(\varepsilon,t) - \left(\widetilde{\alpha}(t) + \widetilde{\beta}(t) \, x(\varepsilon,t)\right) w(t) \tag{26}$$

The symmetry means that all the firms in the sector produce the same quantity at the same price. We apply the shorthand notation:

$$x(t) = x_i(\varepsilon, t), \quad \pi(t) = \overline{\pi}(\varepsilon, t), \quad \widetilde{p}(t) = \widetilde{p}(\varepsilon, t) \text{ for all } \varepsilon.$$

With (23) and (26), we get:

$$\overline{\pi}(t) = \left(\widetilde{p}(t) - \widetilde{\beta}w(t)\right) \sum_{j=1}^{J} \widetilde{c}_{j}(\varepsilon, t) \overline{N}_{j}(t) - \widetilde{\alpha}(t)w(t)$$
(28)

Inserting (19) in (28), we have

$$\overline{\pi}(t) = (\widetilde{p}(t) - \widetilde{\beta}(t)w(t))\widetilde{p}^{\gamma(t)}(t)M(t) - \widetilde{\alpha}(t)w(t)$$
(29)

in which

$$M(t) = P_j^{-1}(t) \sum_{j=1}^J \chi_j(t) \overline{y}_j(t) \overline{N}_j(t)$$

The first-order condition (i.e., $\partial \bar{\pi} / \partial \tilde{p} = 0$) leads to the fixed-markup pricing rule:

$$\widetilde{p}(t) = \frac{\widetilde{\beta}(t)w(t)}{\overline{\theta}(t)} \tag{30}$$

From (26) and (25), we get

$$\overline{\pi}(t) = \mathcal{G}(t)w^{1+\gamma(t)}(t)M(t) - \widetilde{\alpha}(t)w(t)$$
(31)

in which

$$\mathcal{G}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{\overline{\theta}(t)} - 1\right) \widetilde{\beta}(t) \left(\frac{\widetilde{\beta}(t)}{\overline{\theta}(t)}\right)^{\gamma(t)}$$

Each firm's action has negligible effect on M(t). The profit share of household j is given by:

$$\pi_{j}(t) = \frac{\mu_{j}(t)n(t)\overline{\pi}(t)}{\overline{N}_{j}(t)}$$
(32)

where $n(t)\overline{\pi}(t)$ implies the total profit of the sector and share distribution is given as:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{J} \mu_j(t) = 1, \quad \mu_j(t) \ge 0$$

Demand and supply of final goods

The output of the final good sector is equal to change in capital stock is plus the total consumption and depreciations of capital stock, we get:

$$\dot{K}(t) = F(t) - \sum_{j=1}^{J} d_J(t) \overline{N}_j(t) - \delta_k(t) K(t)$$
(33)

The national wealth

The national wealth $\overline{K}(t)$ is the sum of wealth values of all the households:

$$\overline{K}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{J} \overline{k}_{j}(t) \overline{N}_{j}$$
(34)

We also have $K(\overline{K}(t)) = K(t)(t) = K(t)$.

Input factors are fully employed

The full employment of labor force implies:

$$\widetilde{N}(t) + N_{x}(t) = N(t) \tag{35}$$

where $N_x(t)$ is the middle goods sector's labor force:

$$N_x(t) = n(t)l(t)$$

We developed the model. We now study properties and behavior of the economy.

3. The Dynamic Properties of the Model

We developed a growth model a growth model with integration of the Solow one-sector growth model, Walrasian general equilibrium theory, and the Dixit Stiglitz model. Before giving a computational procedure, we define:

$$z(t) = \frac{r(t) + \delta_k}{w(t)},$$

$$\{k_j(t)\} = (k_2(t), ..., \bar{k}_j(t))$$

Lemma

The motion of the economy is given by the following differential equations:

$$\dot{z}(t) = \phi_1(z(t), \{\bar{k}_j(t)\}, \bar{k}_3(t), t),
\dot{\bar{k}}_2(t) = \phi_2(z(t), \bar{k}_2(t), \bar{k}_3(t), t),
\dot{\bar{k}}_3(t) = \phi_3(z(t), \bar{k}_2(t), \bar{k}_3(t), t)$$
(36)

where ϕ_j are functions of, z(t) and $\{\bar{k}_j(t)\}$, and t, provided in the Appendix. The other variables are functions of z(t) and $\{\bar{k}_j(t)\}$, and t, given by: r(t) and w(t) by $(A3) \rightarrow \bar{k}_1(t)$ by $(A18) \rightarrow \widetilde{p}(t)$ by $(30) \rightarrow \bar{y}_j(t)$ by $(A8) \rightarrow \bar{T}_j(t)$, $d_j(t)$, $s_j(t)$ by $(12) \rightarrow K(t)$ by $(32) \rightarrow \widetilde{N}(t)$ by $(A1) \rightarrow \pi_j(t)$ by $(A6) \rightarrow x(t)$ by $(A9) \rightarrow N_x(t)$ by

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36 by $(35) \rightarrow F(t)$ by $(A2) \rightarrow c_j(t)$ by $(19) \rightarrow p(t)$ by $(20) \rightarrow l(t)$ by $(24) \rightarrow \varphi(t)$ by $(21) \rightarrow \overline{\pi}(t)$ by $(26) \rightarrow U_j(t)$ by (10) .

The Lemma is confirmed in the Appendix. Before conducting comparative dynamic analysis

with different exogenous periodic shocks, in the rest of this section we summarize the results in Zhang (2019) when all the parameters are invariant in time. The parameters are taken on the

following values:

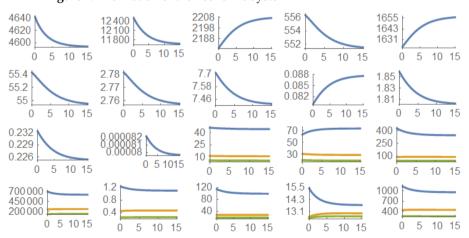
$$\begin{split} T_0 &= 24, \quad \overline{\theta} = 0.4, \quad \delta_k = 0.05, \quad A = 1.4, \quad n = 200, \quad \alpha = 0.35, \quad \overline{\alpha} = 0.01, \\ \widetilde{\beta} &= 0.05, \quad \overline{N}_1 = 10, \quad \overline{N}_2 = 40, \quad \overline{N}_3 = 100, \quad h_1 = 4, \quad h_2 = 1.5, \quad h_3 = 1, \\ \mu_1 &= 0.3, \quad \mu_2 = 0.3, \quad \mu_3 = 0.4, \quad \lambda_{01} = 0.7, \quad \chi_{01} = 0.1, \quad \xi_{01} = 0.2, \quad \sigma_{01} = 0.2, \\ \xi_{03} &= 0.25, \quad \sigma_{03} = 0.3. \end{split}$$

We specify the initial condition as follows:

$$z_1(0) = 0.07$$
, $\bar{k}_2(0) = 90$, $\bar{k}_2(0) = 46$

We plot the simulation result in Figure 1.

Figure 1: The Motion of the Economic System



The values of the equilibrium point are calculated as follows:

$$F=4593,\quad K=11666,\quad N=2208,\quad N_x=551,\quad \widetilde{N}=1657,\quad x=55,\quad l=2.76,$$

$$\overline{\pi}=7.41,\quad r=0.088,\quad w=1.8,\quad \widetilde{p}=0.23,\quad p=0.00008,\quad \pi_1=44.44,$$

$$\pi_2=11.1,\quad \pi_3=5.93,\quad W_1=73.8,\quad W_2=29.9,\quad W_3=20.5,\quad \overline{k}_1=347,\quad \overline{k}_2=90.96,$$

$$\overline{k}_3=45.6,\quad c_1=622588,\quad c_2=263598,\quad c_3=143082,\quad \widetilde{c}_1=1.1,$$

$$\widetilde{c}_2=0.47,\quad \widetilde{c}_3=0.25,\quad d_1=99,\quad d_2=28,\quad d_3=19,\quad \overline{T}_1=13.9,\quad \overline{T}_2=12.9,$$

$$\overline{T}_3=12.6,\quad U_1=965,\quad U_2=450,\quad U_3=262$$
 The eigenvalues are:
$$-0.468,\quad -0.395,\quad -0.265.$$

The stability guarantees validity of the following dynamic comparative analysis.

4. Comparative Dynamic Analysis

This section shows how various exogenous periodic shocks cause business cycles with reference to the growth path identified in the previous section. We use variable $\overline{\Delta}x(t)$ to stand for the 2 change rate of the variable x(t) in percentage due to changes in value of a given parameter.

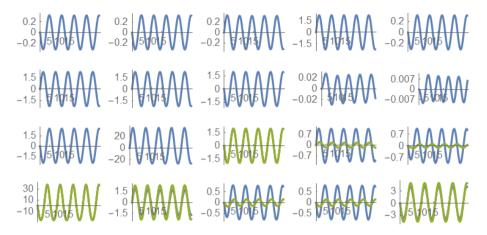
4.1. Oscillations in the elasticity of substitution between two varieties rises

We deal with the impact on the economy when the elasticity of substitution between two varieties is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$\overline{\theta}(t) = 0.4 + 0.02 \sin(t)$$

Figure 2 shows the simulation result. We see that all the variables are periodic. The amplitudes of group 1's oscillations in the total income, wealth, and work hours are much larger than the other two groups'.

Figure 2: Oscillations in the Elasticity of Substitution between Two Varieties



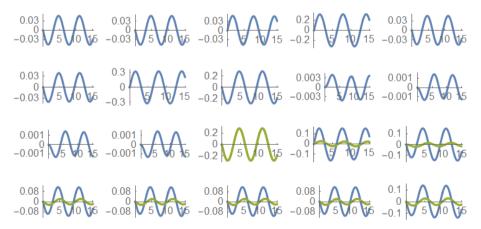
4.2. Oscillations in the fixed labor cost of the middle goods firm

We deal with the impact on the economy when the fixed labor cost of the middle goods firm isexogenously oscillated as follows:

$$\widetilde{\alpha}(t) = 0.01 + 0.01 \sin(t)$$

Figure 3 shows the simulation result. As in real business cycle theory, changes in costs bring about business cycles. The amplitudes of group 1's oscillations in the total income, wealth, consumption of middle goods, and work hours are much larger than the other two groups'.

Figure 3: Oscillations in the Fixed Labor Cost of the Middle Goods



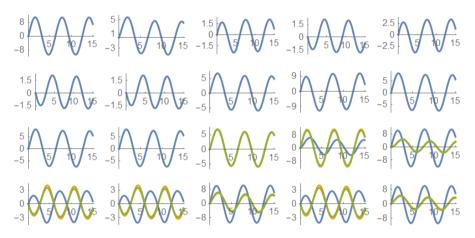
4.3. Oscillations in the total factor productivity of the final goods sector

We deal with the impact on the economy when the total factor productivity of the final goods sector is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$A(t) = 1.4 + 0.1 \sin(t)$$

Figure 4 shows the simulation result.

Figure 4: Oscillations in the Total Factor Productivity of the Final Goods Sector



4.4. Oscillations in group 1's propensity to consume middle goods

We deal with the impact on the economy when group 1's propensity to consume middle goods is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$\chi_{01}(t) = 0.1 + 0.02 \sin(t)$$

Figure 5 shows the simulation result. We see that group 1's preference oscillations have little impact on the other two groups' behavior. The macroeconomic variables and group 1's consumption, wealth and wage income have periodic changes.

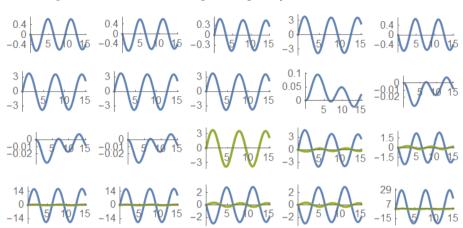


Figure 5: Oscillations in Group 1's Propensity to Consume Middle Goods

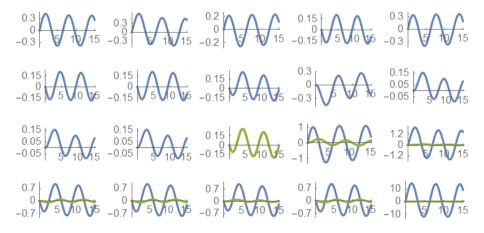
4.5. Oscillations in group 1's propensity to save

We deal with the impact on the economy when group 1's propensity to save on the economy is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$\lambda_{01}(t) = 0.7 + 0.02 \sin(t)$$

Figure 6 shows the simulation result. We see that group 1's preference oscillations have little impact on the other two groups' behavior. The macroeconomic variables and group 1's consumption, wealth and wage income have periodic changes.





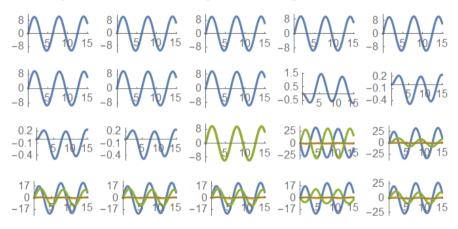
4.6. Oscillations in group 3's human capital

We deal with the impact on the economy when variety of middle goods is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$h_3(t) = 1 + 0.2 \sin(t)$$

Figure 7 shows the simulation result.

Figure 7: Oscillations in Group 3's Human Capital



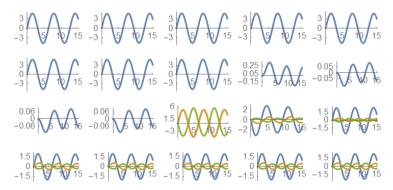
4.7. Oscillations in group 3's population is increased

We deal with the impact on the economy when group 3's population on the economy is exogenously oscillated as follows:

$$\overline{N}_3(t) = 100 + 10\sin(t)$$

Figure 8 shows the simulation result.

Figure 8: Oscillations in Group 3's Population



5. Concluding Remarks

This paper generalized Zhang's model by making all the constant coefficients to be time dependent. The model determines income and wealth distribution on the basis of Walrasian general equilibrium theory, neoclassical growth theory, and Dixit-Stiglitz monopolistic competitive theory. It made a unique contribution to the literature of economic growth with perfect competition and monopolistic competition by showing existence of business cycles due to exogenous shocks in the integrated model. The model shows how different shocks generalized business cycles as argued by real business theory in macroeconomics. The model is quite general as it includes the basic economic mechanisms of the Solow-growth model, Walrasian general equilibrium theory, and Dixit-Stiglitz model. As there is a large amount of literature on generalizations and extensions of each of these models, it is not difficult to generalize our model on basis of the literature.

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Appendix: Proving the Lemma

With (2) we obtain

$$z \equiv \frac{r + \delta_k}{w} = \frac{\overline{\beta}\widetilde{N}}{K} \qquad (A1)$$

in which $\overline{\beta} \equiv \alpha / \beta$. With (2) and (A1), we get:

$$F = AK \left(\frac{Z}{\overline{\beta}}\right)^{\beta} \qquad (A2)$$

With (3), we get:

$$r = \alpha A \left(\frac{Z}{\overline{\beta}}\right) - \delta_k, \quad w = \frac{r + \delta_k}{Z}$$
 (A3)

Inserting (32) and (28) the concept of \hat{y}_j , we get

$$\bar{y}_i = Rk_i + h_i T_0 w + \pi_i \qquad (A4)$$

The definition of *M* and $P_i = n\widetilde{p}^{\overline{\theta}\gamma}$ imply:

$$M = \frac{1}{n\widetilde{p}^{\overline{\theta}\gamma}} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \chi_j \vec{N}_j \overline{y}_j \qquad (A5)$$

With (A5), (32) and (31), we get:

$$\pi_{j} = \overline{\mu}_{j} \sum_{q=1}^{J} \chi_{q} \overline{N}_{q} \overline{y}_{q} - \frac{\mu_{j} \widetilde{\alpha} n w}{\overline{N}_{j}} \qquad (A6)$$

where (30) is applied and

$$\overline{\mu}_{j} \equiv \frac{\mu_{j} \mathcal{G}}{\left(\widetilde{\beta} / \overline{\theta}\right)^{\overline{\theta} \gamma} \overline{N}_{i}}$$

Substituting (A6) into (A4) yields:

$$\bar{y}_j - \bar{\mu}_j \sum_{q=1}^J \chi_q \bar{N}_q \bar{y}_q = R\bar{k}_j + \tilde{\mu}_j \qquad (A7)$$

in which

$$\overline{\mu}_{j} \equiv \left(h_{j}T_{0} - \frac{\mu_{j}n\widetilde{\alpha}}{\overline{N}_{j}}\right)w$$

Equations (A7) are linear in \bar{y}_j and \bar{k}_j . We get the solution of the linear equations as:

$$\bar{y}_j = \sum_{i=1}^J g_{ij}(z) \bar{k}_i + g_{0j}(z)$$
 (A8)

in which $g_{ij}(z)$ and $g_{0j}(z)$ are related to z. With (24), we get:

$$N_{x} = \widetilde{\alpha}n + \widetilde{\beta}nx \qquad (A9)$$

With (19) and (23), we get:

$$x = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \frac{\chi_{j} \overline{y}_{j} \overline{N}_{j}}{n \widetilde{p}} \qquad (A10)$$

Inserting (A10) in (A9), we get:

$$N_{x} = \widetilde{\alpha}n + \widetilde{\beta}\sum_{j=1}^{J} \frac{\chi_{j}\overline{N}_{j}\overline{y}_{j}}{\widetilde{p}} \qquad (A11)$$

With (A11) and (A1), we obtain:

$$\frac{zK}{\overline{\beta}} + \widetilde{\alpha}n + \widetilde{\beta}\sum_{j=1}^{J} \frac{\chi_{j}\overline{N}_{j}\overline{y}_{j}}{\widetilde{p}} = N \qquad (A12)$$

Inserting (34) in (A12), we have:

$$\frac{z}{\overline{\beta}} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \overline{k}_{j} \overline{N}_{j} + \widetilde{\alpha} n + \widetilde{\beta} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \frac{\chi_{j} \overline{N}_{j} \overline{y}_{j}}{\widetilde{p}} = N \qquad (A13)$$

From $T_i + \overline{T}_i = T_0$ and (1), we get:

$$N = \widetilde{T}_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{J} h_i \overline{N}_i \overline{T}_i \qquad (A14)$$

in which

$$\widetilde{T}_0 \equiv \sum_{j=1}^J h_j T_0 \overline{N}_j$$

Inserting (12) in (A14), we obtain:

$$N = \widetilde{T}_0 - \frac{1}{w} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \overline{N}_j \sigma_j \overline{y}_j \qquad (A15)$$

Inserting (A15) in (A13), we get:

$$\frac{z}{\overline{\beta}} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \overline{k}_{j} \overline{N}_{j} + \sum_{j=1}^{J} \overline{N}_{0j} \overline{y}_{j} = \widetilde{T}_{0} - \widetilde{\alpha} n \quad (A16)$$

in which:

$$\overline{N}_{0j} \equiv \left(\frac{\chi_j \widetilde{\beta}}{\widetilde{p}} + \frac{\sigma_j}{w}\right) \overline{N}_j$$

Inserting (A8) in (A16), we have:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{J} \widetilde{g}_{j} \overline{k}_{j} = T_{0} - \widetilde{\alpha} n - g_{0} \qquad (A17)$$

in which

$$\widetilde{g}_{j} \equiv \frac{z\overline{N}_{j}}{\overline{\beta}} + g_{j}, \qquad g_{j} \equiv \sum_{m=1}^{J} \overline{N}_{0m} g_{jm}, \qquad g_{0} \equiv \sum_{m=1}^{J} \overline{N}_{0m} g_{0m}$$

Solving (A17) in \bar{k}_1 , we obtain:

$$\overline{k}_{1}(z, \{\overline{k}_{j}\}) = \left(T_{0} - \widetilde{\alpha}n - g_{0} - \sum_{j=2}^{J} \widetilde{g}_{j} \overline{k}_{j}\right) \frac{1}{\widetilde{g}_{1}}$$

In summary, all the variables are expressed as functions of z and $\{\bar{k}_j\}$ by the procedure in the Lemma. By (22) and the procedure, we have

$$\dot{\bar{k}}_{1}(t) = \phi_{0}(z(t), \{\bar{k}_{j}(t)\}, t) \equiv s_{1}(t) - \bar{k}_{1}(t) \qquad (A19)$$

$$\dot{\bar{k}}_{i}(t) = \phi_{i}(z(t), \{\bar{k}_{j}(t)\}, t) \equiv s_{i}(t) - \bar{k}_{i}(t) \qquad (A20)$$

Taking derivatives of (A18) in time, we have:

$$\dot{\bar{k}}_{1} = \frac{\partial \bar{k}_{1}}{\partial z} \dot{z} + \frac{\partial \bar{k}_{1}}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=2}^{J} \frac{\partial \bar{k}_{1}}{\partial \bar{k}_{j}} \dot{\bar{k}}_{j} \qquad (A21)$$

By (A18)-(A21), we get:

$$\dot{z} = \phi_1(z(t), \{\bar{k}_j(t)\}, t) \equiv \left(\phi_0 - \frac{\partial \bar{k}_k}{\partial t} - \sum_{j=2}^J \frac{\partial \bar{k}_1}{\partial \bar{k}_j} \dot{\bar{k}}_j\right) \left(\frac{\partial \bar{k}_1}{\partial z}\right)^{-1}$$
(A22)

By (A22) and (A20), we calculate the motion of z(t) and $\{\bar{k}_j(t)\}$. The Lemma is confirmed.

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