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# MUSE: Monetary Union and Slovak Economy model

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## **Modern tools in macroeconomics: DSGE models** – Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium models

- microeconomic foundations – optimizing behavior of economic agents
- rational expectations
- general equilibrium framework

### advantages

- theoretically well-grounded
- simulate counterfactual scenarios
- capable to replicate historical data – interpret history, forecast future



# Outline

- motivation
- model
- parameterization
- model evaluation



# Motivation

**DSGE model of the Slovak economy as a part of the eurozone helps:**

- understand working of a small economy within a monetary union
- analyze effects of different macroeconomic policies
- identification of structural shocks and their effects
- learn about the economy through estimation of structural parameters



# Our contribution

## **model of two economies**

- Zeman, Senaj (2009) – calibrated model of a small open economy with exogenous foreign sector

## **first DSGE model confronted with the Slovak data:**

- some parameters calibrated to meet long-run properties of the economies
- some parameters estimated with Bayesian methods



# The model



# Model structure

geography of the model

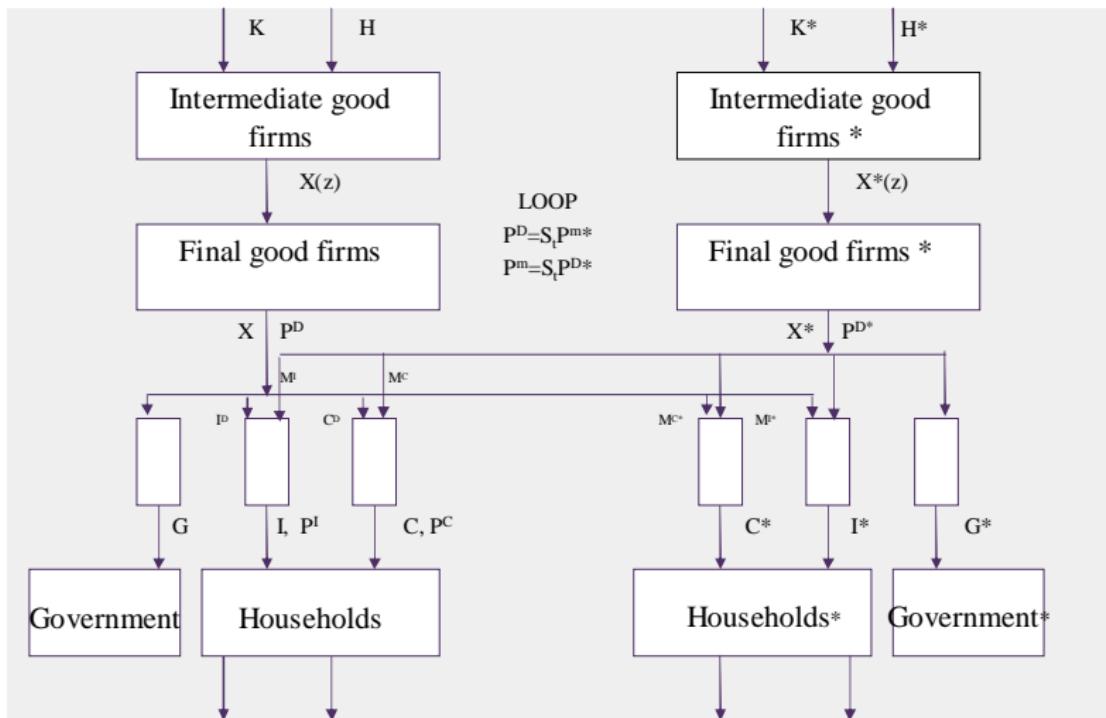
- Slovakia – small open economy
- Euro area – rest of the world
- symmetric in structure

two regimes

- independent monetary policy authorities in both countries
- monetary union



# Model structure





# Parametrization



## Four types of parameters

1. structural parameters determining the steady state of the model
2. structural parameters affecting dynamic properties of the model
3. AR coefficients of the structural shocks
4. standard deviations of the structural shocks

➤ **parameterized in two steps**



# Two step approach

calibration

Bayesian approach

**SK**

structural parameters  
determining SS

structural par. affecting  
dynamic properties

AR coefficients of the  
shocks

standard deviations of the  
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**Euro area**

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# First step

Parameters determining steady state take values such that the ratios of selected model variables correspond to their empirical counterparts

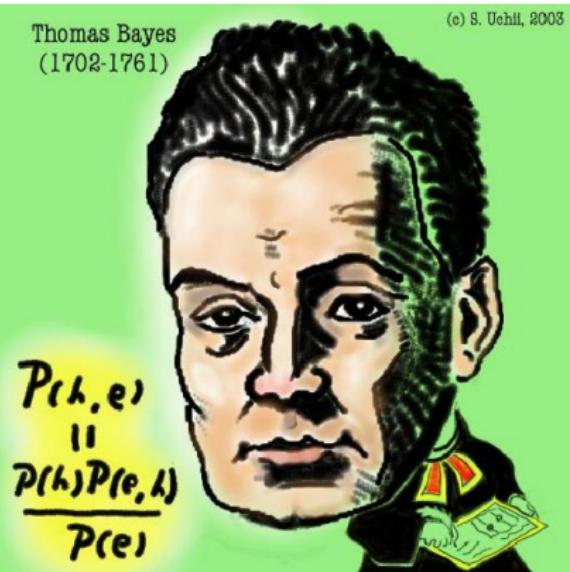
	<b>SK</b>	<b>EA</b>
I/X	0.22	0.20
C/X	0.55	0.60
Im/X	0.26	0.003
Im <sup>I</sup> /X	0.10	0.001
Im <sup>C</sup> /X	0.16	0.003
G/X	0.18	0.20
TB/X	0.00	0.00
n	0.01	0.99



## Second step

Bayesian approach used –  
estimated 34 parameters that  
do not affect the steady state of  
the model

- monetary policy rule,  
price and wage stickiness  
and adjustment costs
- structural shocks





# Data

seasonally adjusted, per capita

2Q 1997 – 4Q 2008

for both regions the following time series were used

- real GDP
- real consumption
- real investment
- real compensations
- short term (3M) nominal interest rate
- GDP deflator



# Evaluation of the model



# Two regimes of MP

## **autonomous monetary policy**

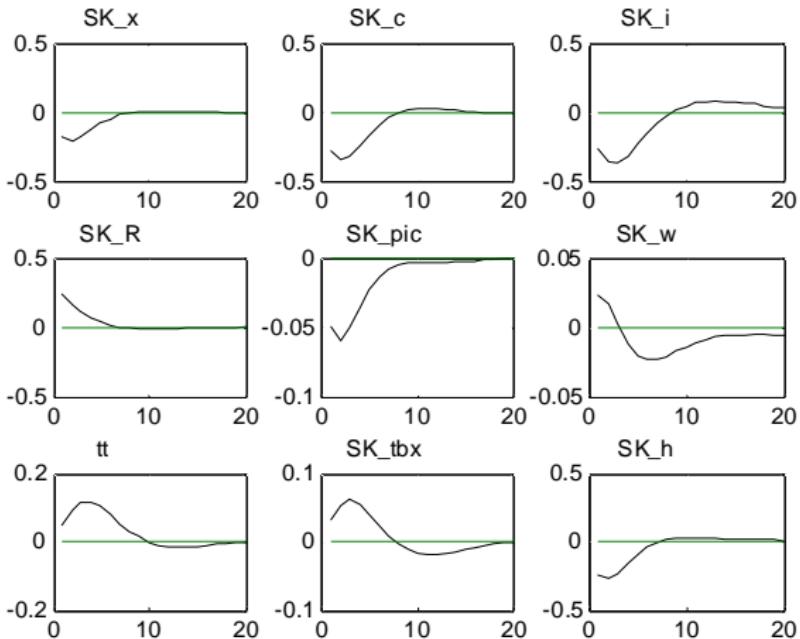
- calibrated + estimated parameters

## **SK part of the monetary union**

- structural parameters unchanged
- changed Taylor rule in SK



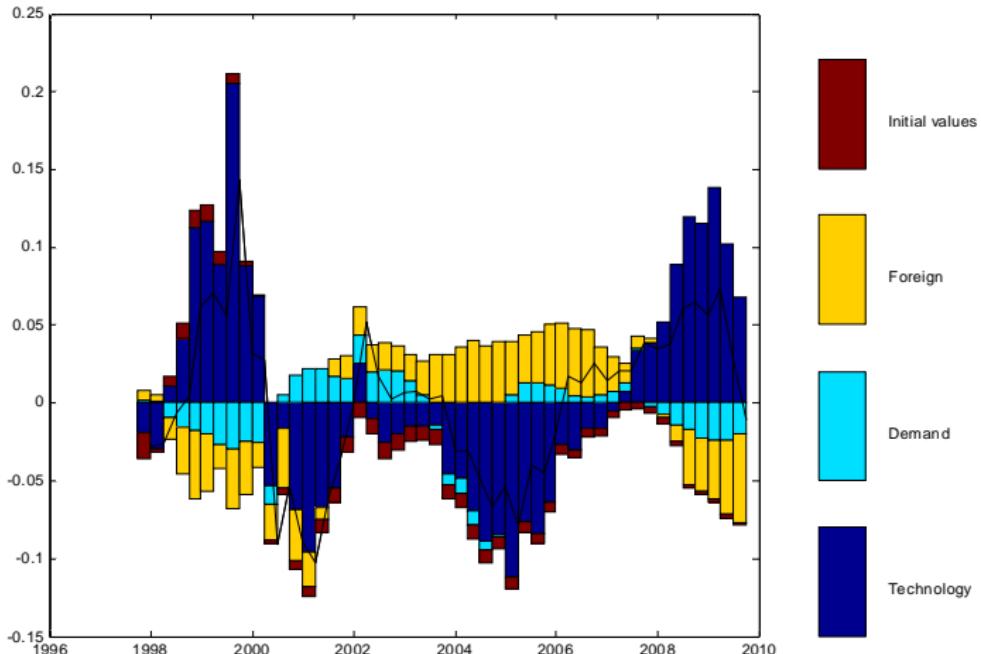
# IRF – monetary policy shock +0.25 p.p., monetary union





# Structural decomposition

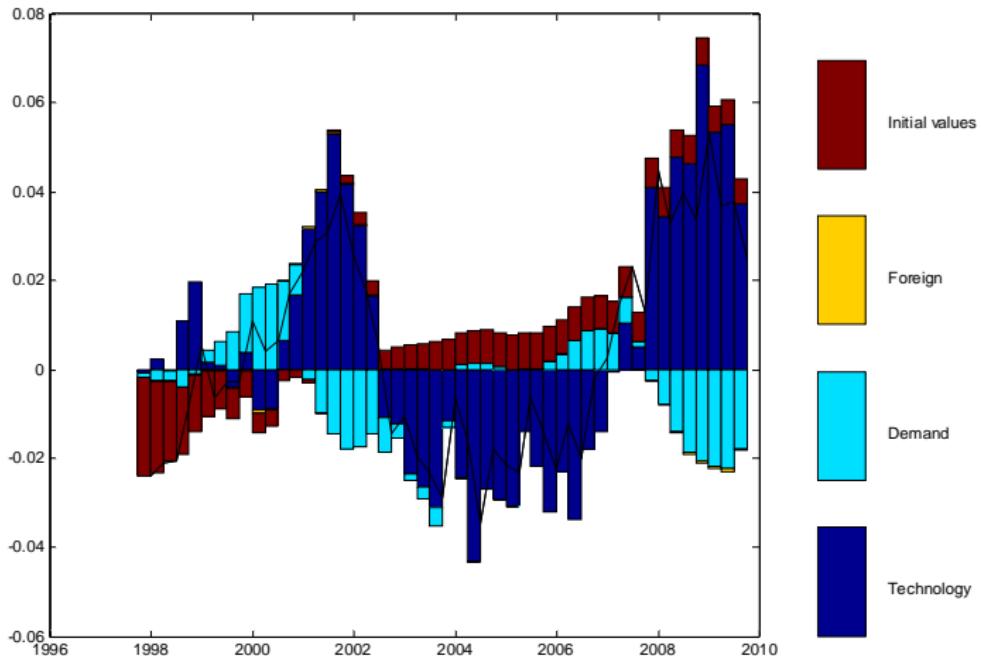
## SK investment





# Structural decomposition

## EA investment





# Conclusion

model of two economies

long-run equilibrium resembles some features of the Slovak (and eurozone) economy

Bayesian method of estimation

use of the model:

- simulation of counterfactual scenarios
- interpretation of history, identification of structural shocks
- forecasting