SUPPLY & DEMAND SHOCKS, GLOBAL NETWORKS AND INFLATION

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- Result: highest inflation of last four decades!

- Global supply chains played a critical role in amplifying shocks within and across borders
- ⇒ Important to quantify the role of sectoral shocks to design policies that mitigate the cost of re-locating supply chains/production (first order for climate and energy transition)

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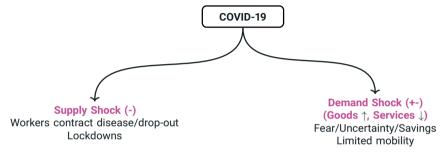
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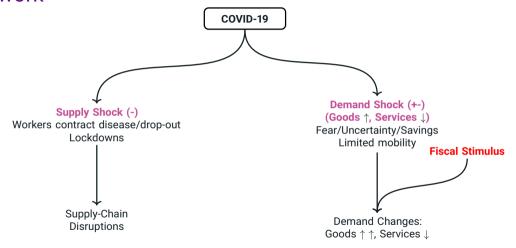
Important to focus on:

- Covid is a set of disaggregated demand and supply shocks with asymmetric recovery
- Sectoral imbalances and labor shortages—demand (slack) and supply (tight) constrained sectors
- Global and local supply chain disruptions—sectoral shifts in consumption demand connected with sectoral production using intermediate inputs and labor

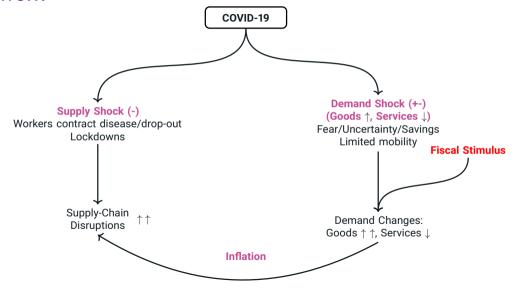
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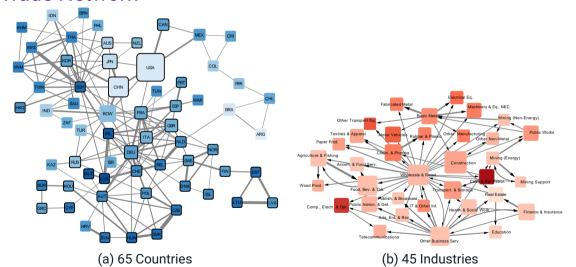
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Today

- Provide a multicountry-multisector quantitative framework to measure drivers of inflation and shock transmission across countries
 - lacktriangle Open economy version of Baqaee and Farhi (2022), AER \Rightarrow useful for quantification + policy
 - Endogenous non-linear adjustment of price and sector expenditure shares as a response to sectoral and aggregate shocks
- 2. Quantify contribution of multiple aggregate and sectoral shocks to countries' inflation rates and spillovers

Importance of Country-Sector Dimension: Production and Trade Network



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- 2. "Quantifying the Inflationary Impact of Fiscal Stimulus under Supply Constraints" (AER P&P 2023)
 - Separate aggregate demand shock into fiscal stimulus and the rest for the US (65% of AD shock is fiscal stimulus)

<u>Today:</u> introduce a new multicountry-multisector model with full global network, quantifying inflation drivers and spillovers under endogenous exchange rates

Related literature

Theory-closed: Inflation, Production Networks, Sectoral Demand and Supply Shocks

Baqaee and Farhi (2022), La'O and Tahbaz-Salehi (2022), Rubbo (2022), Afrouzi and Bhattarai (2022), Pasten, Schoenle, and Weber (2020)

Theory-closed/open: Inflation, Demand and Supply (Energy) Shocks

Guerrieri, Lorenzoni, Straub, and Werning (2021, 2022), Amiti, Heise, Karahan, and Sahin (2022), Ferrante, Graves, and Iacovello (2022), Blanchard and Bernanke (2023), Comin, Johnson, and Jones (2023)

- Theory-open:
 - Production Networks and Trade with Supply Shocks

Bonadio, Huo, Levchenko, and Pandalai-Nayar (2021), Boehm and Pandalai-Nayar (2022)

Production Networks and Trade with Demand and Supply Shocks (NK-sticky price: fixed FX)

Cakmaklı, Demiralp, Kalemli-Özcan, Yesiltas, Yıldırım (2022), Gourinchas, Kalemli-Özcan, Penciakova, Sander (2021)

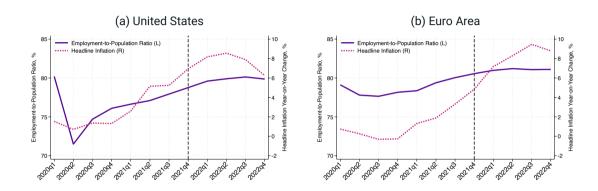
• Existing Empirical Work on Inflation: Reduced form regressions, VAR sign restrictions

Jorda, Liu, Nechio, and Rivera-Reyes (2022), LaBelle and Santacreu (2022), Shapiro (2022) . . .

⇒ Our contribution: a structural network NK-GE model with global I-O linkages, endogenous exchange rates and empirically valid EOS to quantify inflation drivers and spillovers

Stylized Facts

Simultaneous slack and inflation



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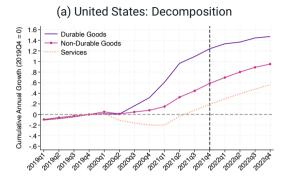
Simultaneous increase in inflation and supply chain pressures

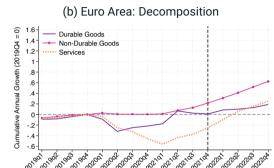




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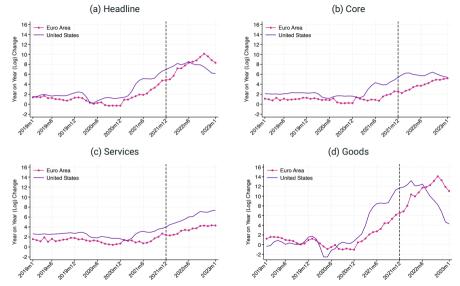
Substitution between goods and services consumption





Notes: Seasonally-adjusted real private consumption. Source: OECD Quarterly National Accounts.

Inflation in goods picked up earlier than inflation in services



Model Sketch

Inflation in a multicountry network-macro model

- We build on Baqaee and Farhi (2022) w/simplifications:
 - ▶ Two-period multicountry model (n, m = 1, ..., N)
 - Ricardian households with perfect foresight
 - lacktriangle Multiple sectors $(i, j = 1, \dots, \mathcal{J})$ produce using factors and intermediate inputs
 - Perfect competition in factors and good markets
 - Downward nominal wage rigidity + sector-specific factor, zero-lower bound
- Model allows for rich set of shocks:
 - Country level aggregate demand
 - Country-sector demand shifts
 - Country-sector factor supply and productivity (including energy shocks)

Households

Inter-temporal maximization problem

$$\max_{\{C_n C_n^*\}} (1 - \beta_n) \log U(C_n) + \beta_n \log U(C_n^*)$$
 s.t.
$$P_n C_n + \frac{P_n^* C_n^*}{1 + i_n} = I_n + \frac{I_n^*}{1 + i_n}$$

Note: Steady-state variables -including future levels- (denoted by *) are exogenous

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Value-added bundle is composed of Labor and Capital:

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Steel (j) comes from country $m=1...\mathcal{N}$ into the U.S. $=X_{n,mj}$ as an intermediate input U.S. (n) creates a steel bundle $=X_{n,j}$ to use in different industries such as U.S. car industry $=Z_{ni}$

Monetary policy and the inter-temporal budget

- Monetary policy: assume all countries at zero-lower bound (i = 0)
- Inter-temporal budget constraint becomes:

$$P_n C_n + P_n^* C_n^* = I_n + I_n^*$$

- Set $P_n^* = 1$ and I_n^* to the steady-state expenditure level
- Inter-temporal optimization yields:

$$I_n = P_n C_n = \frac{1 - \beta_n}{\beta_n} I_n^*$$

• Note that the aggregate shock is driven by a change in β_n . Corresponding expenditure is given in local currencies

The current account

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The total income of country n is (running CA deficit, financed with factor income flows):

$$I_n = \mathsf{GDP}_n - \underbrace{\sum_m \chi_{mn} \mathsf{GDP}_n}_{\text{Factors owned by foreigners in } n} + \underbrace{\sum_m \chi_{nm} \mathsf{GDP}_m}_{\text{Factors owned abroad by } n}$$

Exchange rates

• In terms of factor income, the GDP of country n can be written as:

$$\mathsf{GDP}_n = \sum_i (W_{ni} L_{ni} + R_{ni} K_{ni}^*)$$

- This is given in the common world currency. Hence the income of country n is given in the common currency
- We know the expenditure in the local currency from the inter-temporal budget constraint
- The exchange rate of country *n* is then:

$$e_n \equiv \frac{\text{Local currency Income}}{\text{Common currency Income}} = \frac{(1-\beta_n)I_n^*/\beta_n}{(1-\sum\limits_{m}\chi_{mn})\text{GDP}_n + \sum\limits_{m}\chi_{nm}\text{GDP}_m}$$

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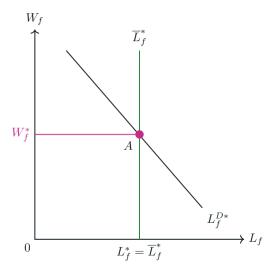
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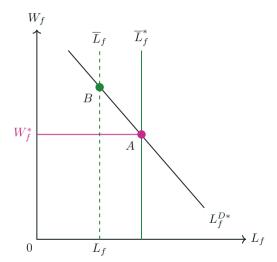
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Segmented factor (e.g., labor) markets during collapse and recovery

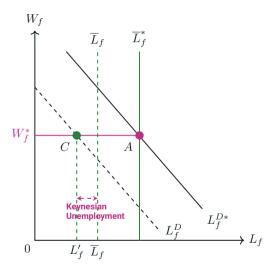
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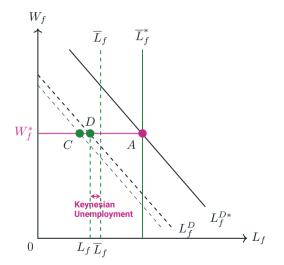
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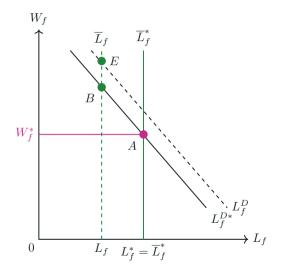
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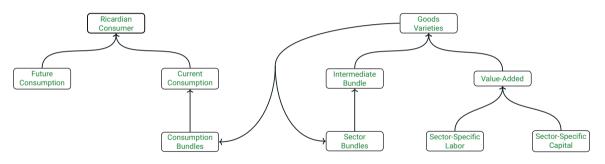
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- During recovery: unemployment gaps are closed (heterogeneous across sectors, may not be back to 2019 but still inflationary)



Model Schematic



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| | C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Ω^C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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$$\theta_i = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \log(P_i) = \sum_j \Omega_{ij} \log(P_j)$$

| Index | Description | Size | Elasticity |
|-------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| C | Current Consumption | N | 1 |
| Y | Goods / Varieties | $\mathcal{N}\times\mathcal{J}$ | θ |
| Z | Intermediate Bundle | $\mathcal{N}\times\mathcal{J}$ | ε |
| VA | Value-Added | $\mathcal{N}\times\mathcal{J}$ | γ |
| X | Country-Sector Bundles | $\mathcal{N} 	imes \mathcal{J}$ | ξ_i |
| CB | Consumption Bundles | $\mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{J}$ | ξ_i' |
| L | Sector Specific Labor | $\mathcal{N}\times\mathcal{J}$ | |
| C | Sector Specific Capital | $\mathcal{N} 	imes \mathcal{J}$ | |
| Ric | Ricardian Consumer | \mathcal{N} | 1 |
| Fut | Future Consumption | \mathcal{N} | |

Columns: Output (Domar weights)

$$\frac{P_i Y_i}{\mathsf{GDP}_W} \equiv \lambda_i = \sum_j \Omega_{ji} \left(\frac{P_i}{P_j}\right)^{1-\theta_j} \lambda_j$$

Model solution method

- Calibrate the model with ICIO 2018 Table from OECD
 - Final use shares
 - Input shares
 - Value added shares
 - Expenditures
 - Normalize all prices, wages and rents to 1 at steady state
- From this stable equilibrium introduce shocks
- AMPL / Knitro optimizer
- Calculate the relative changes in common currency
- Convert the common currency price changes to local currency by multiplying with the model-consistent exchange rate

First-order approximation of domestic CPI inflation: closed economy

Domar Weights:

$$\lambda_i \equiv rac{P_i Y_i}{GDP} \quad ext{ and } \quad \Lambda_f \equiv rac{W_f L_f}{GDP}$$

CPI:

$$d \log CPI = \underbrace{d \log I}_{\text{Domestic AD shock}} - \mathbf{\Lambda}^T d \log \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{\lambda}^T d \log \mathbf{A}$$

- Same result as in Bagaee & Farhi (2022)
- Relative strength of sector-level labor or productivity shocks determined by the influence vector of sector-level factor or output shares, respectively

Open-economy Domar weights

• We can relate the final consumption to production via global Leontieff inverse (Ψ) . Denote the total output of all industries globally with Y, the total consumption of all industries with C, then:

$$Y = \Psi C$$

• Denote the consumption of country n in all industries globally with ${\bf C}^n$ and assign the portion of production to country n by

$$Y^n = \Psi C^n$$

• Write the local Domar weights for country n using Y_{mi}^{n} :

$$\lambda_{mi}^n \equiv \frac{P_{mi}Y_{mi}^n}{I_n}$$

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$$oldsymbol{\Lambda^n} \equiv (oldsymbol{\Omega}^F)^T oldsymbol{\lambda^n}$$

Then the (local currency) CPI in country n can be written as:

$$\mathrm{d} \log \mathsf{CPI}_n \ = \ \underbrace{\mathrm{d} \log I_n}_{\mathsf{AD \; shock}} \quad - \quad (\boldsymbol{\Lambda^n})^T \mathrm{d} \log \boldsymbol{L} \quad - \quad (\boldsymbol{\lambda^n})^T \mathrm{d} \log \boldsymbol{A}$$

- Labor shortages, at home and abroad, are inflationary domestically
- Positive productivity changes everywhere, $d \log A$, are deflationary
- Country n's AD shock includes both domestic AD shock and exchange rate change

Quantification Exercises

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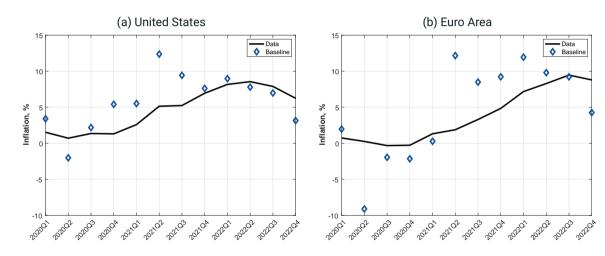
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Parametrization

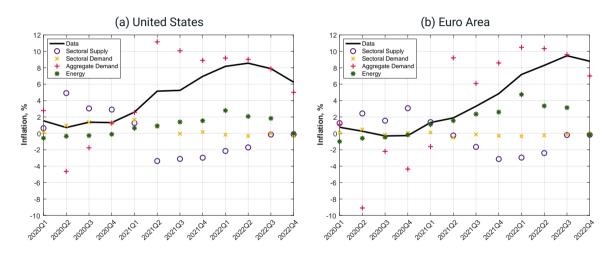
- Model requires initial consumption and input-output shares
 - ▶ We use the cross-country input-output database from the OECD year 2018
- Elasticities:
 - **Between value added and intermediate inputs:** $\theta = 0.6$ (Atalay, 2017; Carvalho et. al, 2021)
 - Between labor and capital: $\gamma=0.6$ (Raval, 2019; Oberfield and Raval, 2021)
 - ightharpoonup Among intermediates: $m \emph{e}=0.2$ (Atalay, 2017; Boehm, Flaaen, and Pandalai-Nayar, 2019)
 - ightharpoonup Cross-country Armington: $\xi=4.55$ (Caliendo & Parro, 2015)
- We set country-sector productivity changes to zero throughout
 - Recent evidence on pandemic suggests little changes in aggregate/sectoral productivity w/no labor reallocation across sectors in the US (Fernald and Li, 2022)
 - Want to give full chance to sectoral labor shocks to mimic the reality of sectoral shortages and demand-supply imbalances



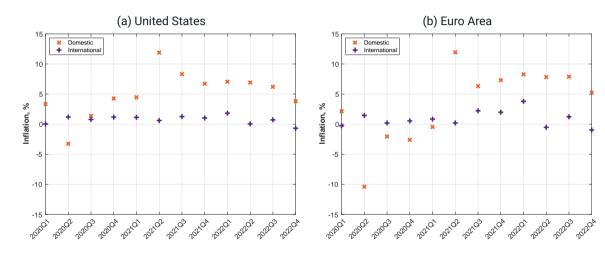
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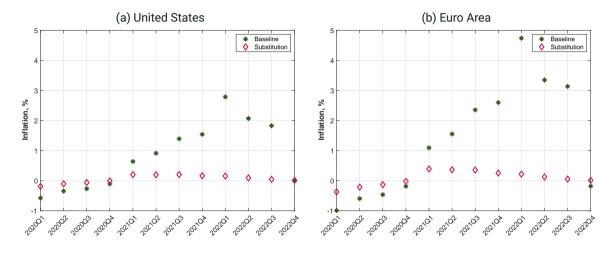
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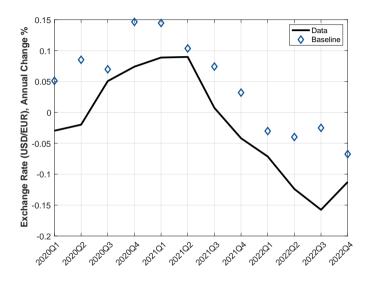
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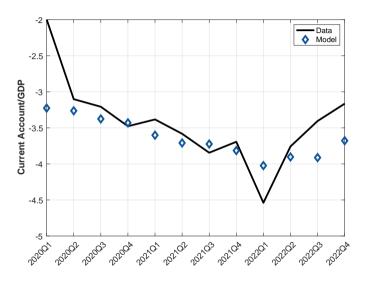
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Difficult to Quantify 21–23 Inflation: Real Shocks vs Policies?

- The pandemic temporarily disrupted economies: Lockdowns and general fear of infection kept many people from working, a shift in demand away from in-person services to goods, supply chain bottlenecks.
- Russia's invasion of Ukraine: drove up food and energy prices worldwide, made economies temporarily poorer.
- Fiscal and Monetary Stimulus: Governments intervened to help the unemployed, subsidies to firms to maintain their payrolls—The purchasing power was sustained even as economies' abilities to supply goods and services temporarily fell.
 - ⇒ Inflation was the natural consequence
 - ⇒ Price increases lead to wage increases.
 - ⇒ Kept full employment.
- Temporary/Persistent Inflation: Labor supply shock (health, great resignation) did not persist in the U.S. but did in the U.K.: permanent reduction in LFP leading to wage-price spirals.

Need a global macro-network model to quantify macro implications of sectoral supply and demand shocks: will be the case under climate and energy transition.

Takeaways and open questions

- New multicountry-multisector framework to quantity how supply-demand imbalances that were generated by multiple types of shocks over Covid-19 period spilled over across countries and drove inflation
- Many avenues to further explore with the framework
 - Expanding sample to many more countries/sectors
 - Possible to generate greater spillover effect in a tractable quantifiable framework
 - ⇒ Common problem in these types of models
 - ▶ Incorporate *micro* findings on breakdowns in GVCs into a *macro* framework
 - More generally, how will potential changes in firms' sourcing decisions (fragmentation) impact transmission of shocks and macro volatility?

Thank You

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