Inflationary Shocks and the Financial Stability Trade-off

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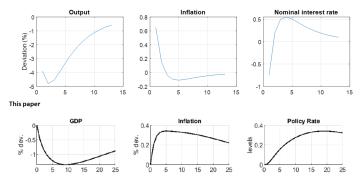
Great contribution to the literature

- Great contribution in the current context: we need more papers on the effects of cost-push shocks on financial stability (for ex. for MPAG-AWG and MPPG-IWG Agile Team on the topic).
- Great framework to assess the transmission mechanisms of these shocks and the policy trade-off for monetary and macroprudential authorities.

Main results:

- 1. Strict Inflation Targeting amplifies financial stability risks compared to the Taylor rule.
 - Borrowers are more affected by the shock.
 - Credit risk increases.
- 2. No obvious benefits from releasing Capital Buffers.

Comments: Progressive cost-push shock and policy reaction



A standard cost-push shock (Gali, 2008)

- It would be interesting to get more details on the cost-push scenario.
- Implications for financial stability?

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Comments: Bank capital release effects depend on initial probability of default

Paper/Yearly Default Prob.	Banks	NFC	HH
Mendicino et al. (2018)	1.53 %	1.7 %	0.66 %
Mendicino et al. (2020)	0.65 %	2.5 %	
This paper	3.3 %	2.5 %	1 %

- Why is bank default higher than NFC and HH default ? It is different than in previous papers
- The effects of mark-up shocks are robust to the different levels of risk for banks.
- But the effects of bank capital release are more dependent on initial banks' risk (and default probability).

Comments: CCyB vs No CCyB (1)

- Have you assessed the effects of different countercyclical rules in your simulation ?
 - Bekiros et al. (2018) assessed rules responding to credit to output ratio, to deviations of credit to its steady state and to credit growth.
 - They found that the one responding to deviations of credit to its steady state is better to enhance bank stability and welfare.

Comments: CCyB vs No CCyB (2)

CCyB release during the COVID-19 crisis:

- Jude and Levieuge (2023) found that on average, for one percentage point release of the CCyB, corporate bank lending rates decreased by around 11 basis points more in countries with a CCyB release.
- What are the effect of a CCyB release on lending rates with markup shock ?
 - As relaxing the CCyB reduces the lending rate, the question of the interaction between CCyB release and monetary policy is crucial.

Conclusion

Great paper !

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