# Central Bank Digital Currency: Implications for Monetary Policy and Financial Stability

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## Intro

#### Introduction



"The G7 is launching a set of public policy principles for Retail CBDCs."

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Central bank gains greater transmission of monetary policy. However, the reduction in aggregate profitability and increased default of the banking sector increases financial instability through multiple channels.

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Figure 1: General Equilibrium.

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Household also solves intertemporal consumption smoothing problem by investing in either (risky) bank deposits  $D^H$  at commercial bank  $\alpha$  or central bank digital currencies  $Z^H$  at the central bank.

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Functional form of utility function:

$$u(C_{s}^{H}, N_{s}^{H}) = log[C_{s}^{H}] - \frac{N_{s}^{1+\psi}}{1+\psi}$$
(2)

Subject to:

$$D^{H\alpha} + Z^H \le W_0 N_0^H \tag{3}$$

Bank Deposits + CBDC  $\leq$  Wage from Labour.

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$$0 \le W_{\rm s} N_{\rm s}^{\rm H} + (1+r^{\rm D}) R_{\rm s}^{\alpha} D^{\rm H\alpha} + (1+r^{\rm Z}) Z^{\rm H}, \quad \forall {\rm s} \in \mathbb{S}$$
(5)

Wage from labour plus gross return on bank deposits and CBDCs where  $R_s^{\alpha} \in [0, 1]$  is the fraction of bank deposits repaid by bank  $\alpha$ .

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#### Intratemporal Consumption-Labour Euler Equation:

$$N_{s}^{\psi}C_{s}^{H} = \frac{W_{s}}{p_{s}}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$
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Intertemporal Consumption Smoothing via Bank Deposits:

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An interior solution for bank deposits exists if and only if:

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Finally, firms may choose to **endogenously default** on bank loans if the marginal benefit to defaulting is greater than the marginal cost (Dubey et al. 2005).

However, firms face a reputation penalty  $\phi_s^F[\mathbb{I}_s]^+$  for defaulting where  $\phi_s^F$  is the default penalty which is a proxy for firm's reputation (Wang 2022).

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The penalty to firm for defaulting is given by a quadratic cost (Tsomocos 2003).

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Firm's optimal **borrowing** condition is:

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# Banking



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# Deposit Bank $\alpha$

Banks exhibit market power in deposit market (Dreschler et al. 2017). Monopsony behaviour by keeping deposit rate below the federal funds rate.



Bank  $\alpha$  maximises period 2 profits:

$$\max_{\mathsf{D}^{\alpha}, \mathsf{L}^{\alpha\beta}, \{\nu_{\mathsf{s}}^{\alpha}\}_{\mathsf{s}\in\mathbb{S}}} \quad \mathsf{\Pi}^{\alpha} = \sum_{\mathsf{s}\in\mathbb{S}} \pi(\mathsf{s}) \Big[\mathsf{\Pi}^{\alpha}_{\mathsf{s}} - \phi_{\mathsf{s}}^{\alpha} [\mathbb{I}^{\alpha}_{\mathsf{s}}]^{+}\Big] \tag{20}$$

- 1.  $D^{\alpha}$ : (Defaultable) household deposits.
- 2.  $\nu_{\rm s}^{\alpha}$  : Fraction of deposits that is repaid to household.
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As  $\epsilon^{D} \rightarrow \infty$ , we arrive at **perfect competition**.

Due to bank  $\alpha$  market power, there is a dampening of monetary policy transmission via the **standard deposit channel** as the central bank adjusts the interbank rate  $\rho$ :

$$\frac{\partial r^{\mathcal{D}}}{\partial \rho} < 1. \tag{25}$$

# Proposition Bank $\alpha$ optimal default condition on household's deposit: $(1 + r^D) = 2\phi_s^{\alpha}(1 - \nu_s^{\alpha})D^{\alpha}, \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{S}$

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$$\phi_{s}^{F} = M_{F,s}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$
(28)

The default penalty to the firm on the loan is equal to the monitoring effort by the bank (Wang 2022).

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### Proposition

Bank  $\beta$  Monitoring in Period 0:

$$\gamma^{F} M_{F,0}^{2} = B^{\beta\alpha} (1+\rho) \mathbb{E} \left[ \pi(s) \phi_{s}^{\beta} (1-\nu_{s}^{\beta}) \right] \left[ 1 - \frac{\gamma_{0}^{F} (1+r_{0}^{F})}{(1+r_{0}^{H})} \right]$$
(35)

#### Proposition

The interbank rate  $\rho$  is given by:

$$(1+\rho) = \frac{B^{\beta\alpha}}{L^{\alpha\beta} + M^{CB}}$$
(36)

where  $B^{\beta\alpha}$  is the interbank loan demanded by bank  $\beta$  and  $L^{\alpha\beta}$  are the interbank deposits supplied by bank  $\alpha$  and  $M^{CB}$  is the liquidity injected by central bank.

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# **Equilibrium Conditions**

There are 11 markets in the model. Let  $\overline{\mathbb{S}} = \{0\} \cup \{g, b\}$ . Goods market:

$$C_{\rm s}^{\rm H}={\rm Y}_{\rm s},\quad \forall {\rm s}\in\overline{\mathbb{S}}$$
 (39)

Labor market:

$$N_{s}^{F} = N_{s}^{H}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$
 (40)

Firm credit loan market:

$$\frac{B_{s}^{F\beta}}{(1+r_{s}^{F})} = L_{s}^{\beta F}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$

$$(41)$$

Bank deposit market:

$$(1+r^{D})D^{H\alpha} = D^{\alpha}$$
(42)

CBDC market:

$$(1+r^Z)Z^H = Z^{CB} \tag{43}$$

Rational expectations:

$$R_{\rm s}^{\alpha} = \nu_{\rm s}^{\alpha}, \quad \forall {\rm s} \in \mathbb{S} \tag{44}$$

$$R_{\rm s}^{\beta} = \nu_{\rm s}^{\beta}, \quad \forall {\rm s} \in \mathbb{S}$$

$$\tag{45}$$

$$R_{\rm s}^{\rm F} = \nu_{\rm s}^{\rm F}, \quad \forall {\rm s} \in \overline{\mathbb{S}} \tag{46}$$

Prices

### Goods prices:

$$p_{s} = \frac{M_{s}^{H}}{Y_{s}^{F}}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$

$$(47)$$

Wages:

$$w_{s} = \frac{p_{s}A_{s}}{(1+r_{s}^{F})}, \quad \forall s \in \overline{\mathbb{S}}$$

$$(48)$$

Firm credit rate:

$$(1+r_{s}^{F})=\frac{B_{s}^{F\beta}}{L_{s}^{\beta F}},\quad\forall s\in\overline{\mathbb{S}}$$
(49)

Interbank market rate:

$$(1+\rho) = \frac{B^{\beta\alpha}}{L^{\alpha\beta} + M^{CB}}$$
(50)

Commercial bank deposit rate:

$$(1+r^{D}) = \frac{(1+\rho)}{(1+\frac{1}{\epsilon^{D}})} \frac{\mathbb{E}[R_{s}^{\beta}]}{\mathbb{E}[\nu_{s}^{\alpha}]} - \frac{\mathbb{E}[2\phi_{s}^{\alpha}(1-\nu_{s}^{\alpha})^{2}D^{\alpha}]}{\mathbb{E}[\nu_{s}^{\alpha}]}$$
(51)

Let  $\vec{\sigma}^{j}$  denote the consumption, investment, and financing plans, i.e. vectors of decision variables, for each agent  $j \in \{HH, F, \alpha, \beta, CB\}$ .

$$\vec{\sigma}^{HH} = (C_s^H, N_s^H, D^H, Z^H) \in \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}.$$
  

$$\vec{\sigma}^F = (N_s^F, B_s^{F\beta}, \nu_s^F) \in \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1}.$$
  

$$\vec{\sigma}^{\alpha} = (D^{\alpha}, L^{\alpha\beta}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}.$$
  

$$\vec{\sigma}^{\beta} = (L_s^{\beta F}, B^{\beta\alpha}, M_{F,s}, \nu_s^{\beta}) \in \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{S+1}.$$
  
Let  $\vec{\eta} = \{p_s, W_s, r_s^F, \rho, r^D, r^Z\}$  denote the set of prices in the  
macroeconomy which are determined in equilibrium and which the  
household, firm, and banks take as given in their decision problem  
Let agent j's budget sets be given by  $B^j(\vec{\eta}).$ 

### Definition: GEI with banks and default

The set of allocations and prices  $(\vec{\sigma}^j, \vec{\eta})$  is a monetary general equilibrium with incomplete markets (GEI), banks, and default if and only if:

1. 1.1 
$$\vec{\sigma}^{HH} \in \operatorname{Argmax}_{\vec{\sigma}^{HH} \in B^{HH}(\vec{\eta})} \Pi^{H}$$
  
1.2  $\vec{\sigma}^{F} \in \operatorname{Argmax}_{\vec{\sigma}^{F} \in B^{F}(\vec{\eta})} \Pi^{F}$   
1.3  $\vec{\sigma}^{i} \in \operatorname{Argmax}_{\vec{\sigma}^{i} \in B^{i}(\vec{\eta})} \Pi^{i}$  for  $i \in \{\alpha, \beta\}$ 

2. All markets clear.

Equilibrium is characterised by rational expectations and market clearing.

## Mechanism of the Model

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Through the household's Euler equations, they will only choose to hold bank deposits if the rate  $r^{D}$  on bank deposits is weakly greater than the rate on CBDCs:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\beta^{H}\frac{C_{0}^{H}p_{0}}{C_{s}^{H}p_{s}}R_{s}^{\alpha}\right] = \frac{1}{(1+r^{D})}$$
(Bank Deposits)
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Deposit bank  $\alpha$  raises deposit rates  $r^{D}$  to compete with CBDCs away from the monopsonistic level.

A higher deposit rate leads to an increase in deposits  $D^{\alpha}$ .

Through deposit bank  $\alpha$  balance sheet constraint, deposit bank  $\alpha$  lends the additional deposits through the interbank market to bank  $\beta$ :

$$L^{\alpha\beta}=D^{\alpha}$$

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In the event of a bad shock, firms are more leveraged and have a higher marginal benefit to defaulting, thereby causing **financial contagion**.

## DSGE



Representative bank that deposits at the central bank.

$$\max_{\{C_t, N_t, D_t, Z_t\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[ \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta_H^t \left\{ log[c_t] - \chi_N \frac{N_t^{1+\psi}}{1+\psi} \right\} \right]$$

subject to:

$$C_t + D_t + Z_t \le (1 + r_{t-1}^D)R_t^D D_{t-1} + (1 + r_t^Z)Z_{t-1} + W_t N_t + \Pi_t^F + \Pi_t^B$$

where  $R_t^D \in [0, 1]$  is the expected repayment by the bank on the deposit and  $\Pi_t^F, \Pi_t^B$  are profit from firms and banks.

Let  $\lambda_t^H$  be the Lagrange multiplier on the budget constraint. Household optimality conditions are:

$$\chi_N N_t^{\Psi} C_t = W_t \qquad (Labor-Consumption)$$
$$\mathbb{E}_t \left[ \mathcal{M}_{t,t+1}^H (1+r_t^Z) \right] = 1 \qquad (CBDC)$$
$$\mathbb{E}_t \left[ \mathcal{M}_{t,t+1}^H (1+r_t^D) R_{t+1}^D \right] = 1 \qquad (Deposit)$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{t,t+1}^{H} \equiv \beta_{H} \frac{C_{t}}{C_{t+1}}$  is the stochastic discount factor.

### Representative Firm Problem

Firms face a cash-in-advance constraint to pay worker's wages.

$$\max_{\{N_t^F, B_t^{F\beta}, \nu_t^F\}_{t=0}^{\infty}} \quad \mathbb{E}_0 \left[ \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta_F^t \left\{ \frac{(\Pi_t^F)^{1-\gamma^F}}{1-\gamma^F} - \phi_t^F [\mathbb{I}_t^F]^+ \right\} \right]$$

subject to:

$$\begin{split} W_t N_t^F &\leq \frac{B_t^{F\beta}}{1+r_t^F} \\ Y_t^F &= A_t N_t^F \\ ln(A_t) &= \rho_A ln(A_t) + \epsilon_t^A \\ \Pi_t^F &= Y_t^F - \nu_t^F B_{t-1}^{F\beta} \\ [\mathbb{I}_t^F]^+ &= \left( (1-\nu_t^F) B_{t-1}^{F\beta} \right)^2 \quad \text{if } \nu_t^F \in [0,1] \end{split}$$

Let  $\lambda_t^F$  be the Lagrange multiplier on the firm's cash-in-advance constraint.

Optimality conditions for the firm are:

$$\left(\Pi_{t}^{F}\right)^{-\gamma^{F}} = 2\phi_{t}^{F}(1-\nu_{t}^{F})B_{t-1}^{F\beta} \qquad (\text{Optimal Default Condition})$$

$$\frac{A_t}{W_t(1+r_t^F)} \left(\Pi_t^F\right)^{-\gamma^F} = \mathbb{E}_t \left[\beta_F 2\phi_{t+1}^F (1-\nu_{t+1}^F) B_t^{F\beta}\right]$$
(Optimal Borrowing Condition)

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subject to:

$$\begin{split} L_{t}^{F} + L_{t}^{CB} &\leq D_{t}^{H} \\ M_{t}^{F} &= \phi_{t}^{F} \\ \left(\Pi_{t}^{F}\right)^{-\gamma^{F}} &= 2\phi_{t}^{F}(1-\nu_{t}^{F})B_{t-1}^{F\beta} \\ \Pi_{t}^{\beta} &= R_{t}^{F}(1+r_{t}^{F})L_{t}^{F} + (1+r_{t}^{CB})L_{t}^{CB} - \nu_{t}^{\beta}(1+r_{t}^{D})D_{t}^{H} \\ [\mathbb{I}_{t}^{\beta}]^{+} &= \left((1-\nu_{t}^{\beta})D_{t}^{H}\right)^{2} \quad \text{if } \nu_{t}^{\beta} \in [0,1) \end{split}$$

Optimal deposit default condition:

$$(1 + r_t^D) = 2\phi_t^\beta (1 - \nu_t^\beta) D_t^H$$
(52)

Optimal household deposit rate:

$$(1+r_t^D) = \frac{(1+r_t^{CB})}{(1+\frac{\nu_t^A}{c_t^D})}$$
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However, a lower interbank market rate reduces the incentive to monitor the credit worthiness of loans via the **risk-taking channel**.

More risky loans outstanding with banks having less equity buffer to withstand negative shocks, thereby generating **financial contagion**.

Tradeoff between monetary policy control and financial instability.

**Future Work** 

- DSGE.
- Quantitative results of model.

- Relax assumption of perfect substitutability of CBDCs and bank deposits. Furthermore, allow CBDCs to also serve as transaction technology.