Shadow banking and mortgage rules: a Canadian perspective

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Research question & key features of the model

• Research question

- How shadow banking affects the effectiveness of regulatory policies (LTV, PTI, insured or not) due to potential leakage across sub-sectors of the mortgage market?
- How shadow banking affects monetary policy transmission through sub-sectors of the mortgage market?
- Key features of the model
 - DSGE model with two types of agent: patient savers and impatient borrowers that maximize life-time utility
 - Two types of financial intermediaries: Shadow (SB) and traditional banks (TB)

Key features of the model

- Shadow bank borrowers:
 - Face loan to value (LTV) constraint
 - Not insured
 - Larger default rate for shadow bank borrowers
- Traditional bank borrowers:
 - Two Constraints: LTV and payment to income (PTI) constraints
 - Can be insured (I) or uninsured (U)
 - Insured allows for a smaller down payment but tighter income qualification
- Mortgage contracts:
 - 5-year fixed rate amortized over 25/30 years
 - The only source of financing
 - Prepayment is allowed

Credit limits

- Loan-to-value constraint: $m_{i,t}^{*k} \leq \theta_j^{LTV_k} p_t^h h_{i,t}^*, \ j \in (I, U), \ k \in (SB, TB)$
 - Looser in insured market: $\theta_{II}^{LTV_{TB}} < \theta_{I}^{LTV_{TB}}$
 - Credit limit: $\bar{m}_{i,t}^{LTV_k} = \theta_i^{LTV_k} p_t^h h_{i,t}^*$
- **Payment-to-income** constraint: $\frac{m_{i,t}^{*TB}(r_t^* + \nu_j + \alpha)}{w_t n_t e_{it}} \leq (\theta_j^{PTI_{TB}} - \omega)$
 - Tighter in insured market: $\theta_U^{PTI_{TB}} > \theta_I^{PTI_{TB}}$ • Credit limit: $\bar{m}_{i,t}^{PTI_{TB}} = \frac{(\theta_i^{PTI_{TB}} - \omega)w_t n_t e_{it}}{r_t^* + \nu_j + \alpha}$
- Overall credit limits in TB:
 - Within sector j: $\bar{m}_{i,t}^{j} = \min(\bar{m}_{i,t}^{PTI_{TB}}, \bar{m}_{i,t}^{LTV_{TB}})$
 - Across sectors: $\bar{m}_{i,t} = \max(\bar{m}_{i,t}^I, \bar{m}_{i,t}^U)$

Constraint structure by submarket

 Intra-period income shock vary among borrowers

 $Income = w_t n_t e_{it}, \ e_{it} \sim \Gamma_e$

The threshold values of the shock is

$$\bar{e}_{I,t} = \frac{\bar{m}_{I,i,t}^{LTV_{TB}}}{\bar{m}_{I,i,t}^{PTI_{TB}}}, \bar{e}_{U,t} = \frac{\bar{m}_{U,i,t}^{LTV_{TB}}}{\bar{m}_{U,i,t}^{PTI_{TB}}} \\ \bar{e}_{U,t}^{SB} = \frac{\bar{m}_{U,i,t}^{LTV_{SB}} - \Psi_2}{\bar{m}_{U,i,t}^{PTI_{TB}}}$$

- Segmented mortgage market
 - Following shocks, borrowers can migrate across segments
 - Threshold value of the shock is

$$\bar{e}_t = \frac{\mu_{U,t}\bar{m}_{U,i,t}^{LTV_{TB}}}{\mu_{I,t}\bar{m}_{I,i,t}^{PTI_{TB}}}$$



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Macroprudential policy: tighter PTI limit of the uninsured Borrowers move to traditional insured sector or to shadow banking



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Macroprudential policy: tighter PTI limit of insured Borrowers move to uninsured sector which partly offsets the regulation



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Results

Monetary policy: contractionary

Reduces the average credit limit due to PTI constraint and reduces mortgage originations in the insured sector



• Still working on model calibration

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