

It is not *la vie en rose*. New insights from Graziani's theory of monetary circuit

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- SFCMs = **dynamic counterpart** of TMC (Graziani 2003; Godley 2004; Lavoie 2004, 2021; Godley/Lavoie 2007; Zezza 2012; Veronese Passarella 2014, 2017; Sawyer/Veronese Passarella 2017)

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Balance (net worth)	$-V_w$	$-V_z$	0	0	$-V_h$
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Notes: A '+' before a magnitude denotes an asset, whereas '-' denotes a liability (except for Balance's entries, where signs are reversed); for the sake of simplicity, there is no asset corresponding to capitalists' ownership of firms and banks.

TABLE 2. TRANSACTIONS-FLOW MATRIX

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<i>Memo: Production</i>			[Y]			
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Depreciation / Amortisation			$-AF$	$+AF$		0
Firms' profit		$+F_f$	$-F_f$			0
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Interest on deposits	$+PAYM_w^m$	$+PAYM_z^m$			$-PAYM_m$	0
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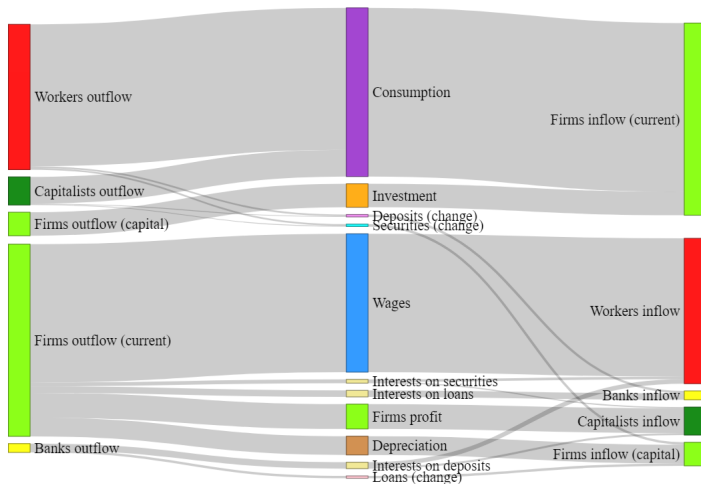
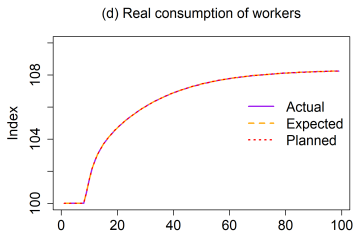
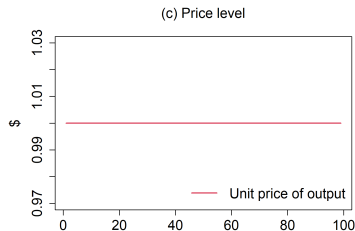
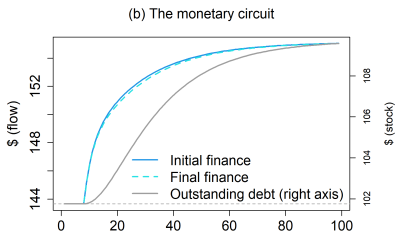
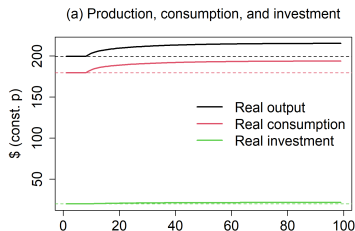


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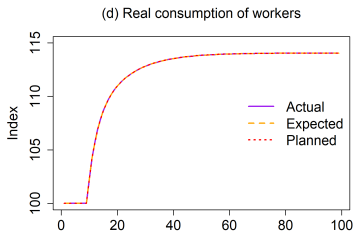
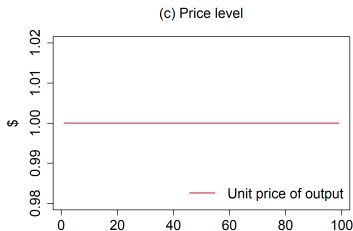
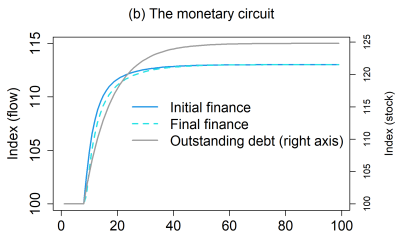
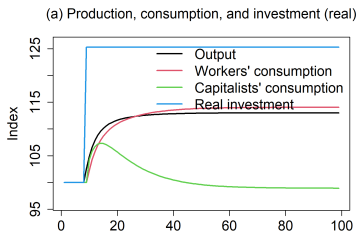


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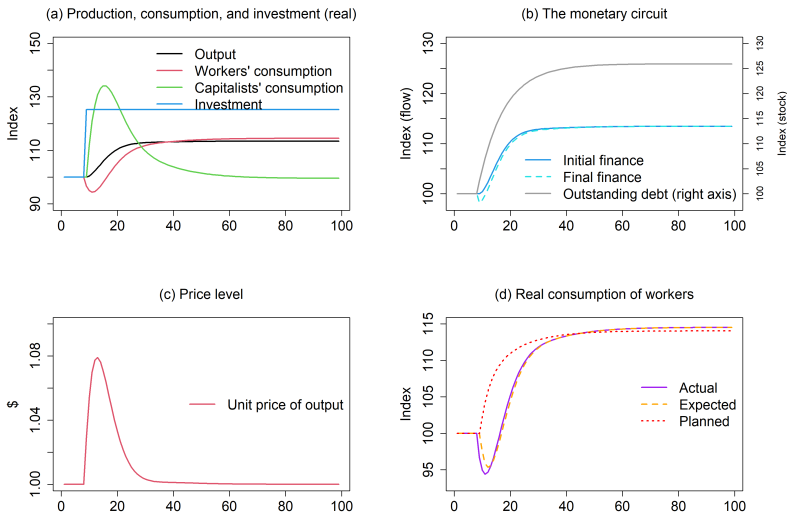
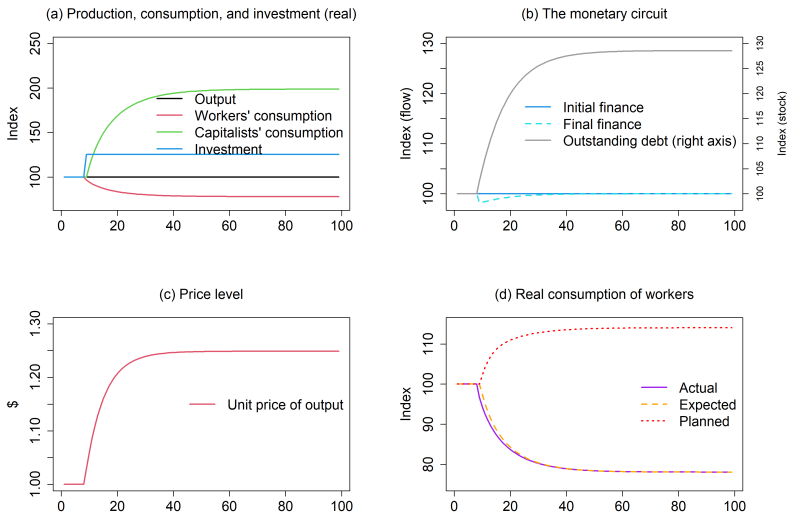


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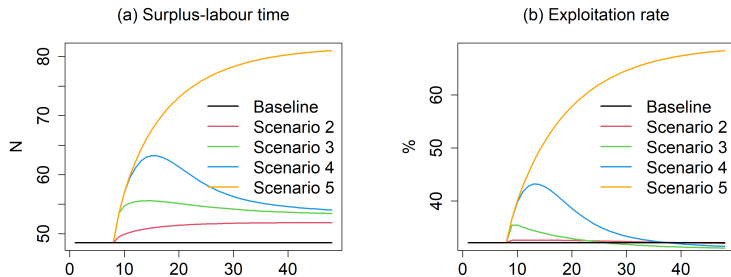
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