

# Matlab Codes for “Linear Quadratic Approximation of Rationally Inattentive Control Problems”

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**Abstract**

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## 1 Toolbox Programs

- `LQG.m`: This code computes the LQ control solution.
- `RI_SS_FOC.m`: This code computes the steady-state rational inattention solution based on the first-order conditions.
- `RI_SIG.m`: This code computes the signal structure.
- `RI_IRF3.m`: This code computes the IRF and second moments.
- `anal_derivative.m`: This code computes analytical first and second derivatives.
- `num_derivative.m`: This code evaluates the first and second derivatives.

## 2 User Supplied Programs

A user needs to provide three Matlab code files to apply the toolbox. For example, the file `filename_Run.m` is the main code to run first, which calls two subroutines. The code `filename_model.m` specifies the model structure. The code `filename_model_ss.m` provides the steady-state solution.

For the examples in Section 5.1, the codes are `Pitfall_Run.m`, `Pitfall_model.m`, and `Pitfall_model_ss.m`. The file `Pitfall.mod` is the Dynare code to compute the linearized solution. The code `ConsPitfall.m` computes the solution using the ad hoc LQ approximation method.

For the examples in Section 5.2, the codes are `RBCPref_Run.m`, `RBCPref_model.m`, and `RBCPref_model_ss.m`.

For the examples in Section 5.3, the codes are `RBCIST_Run.m`, `RBCIST_model.m`, and `RBCIST_model_ss.m`.

For the examples in Section 5.4, the codes are `RBCNews_Run.m`, `RBCNews_model.m`, and `RBCNews_model_ss.m`.

For the examples in Section 5.5, the codes are `Durable_Run.m`, `Durable_model.m`, and `Durable_model_ss.m`.