

Inflation Outlook

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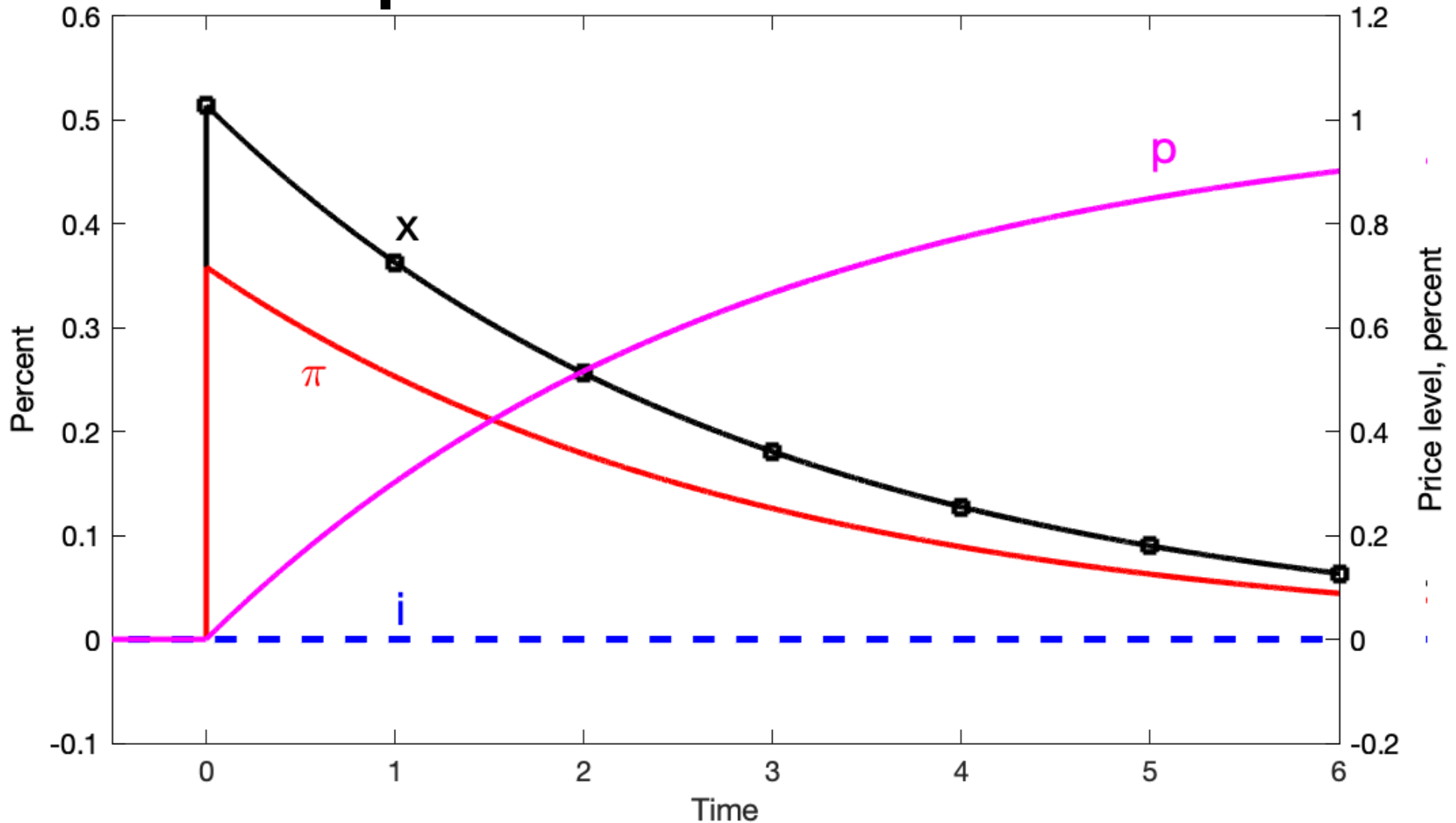
Where we are



Approach



Response to 1% Fiscal Shock



Model:

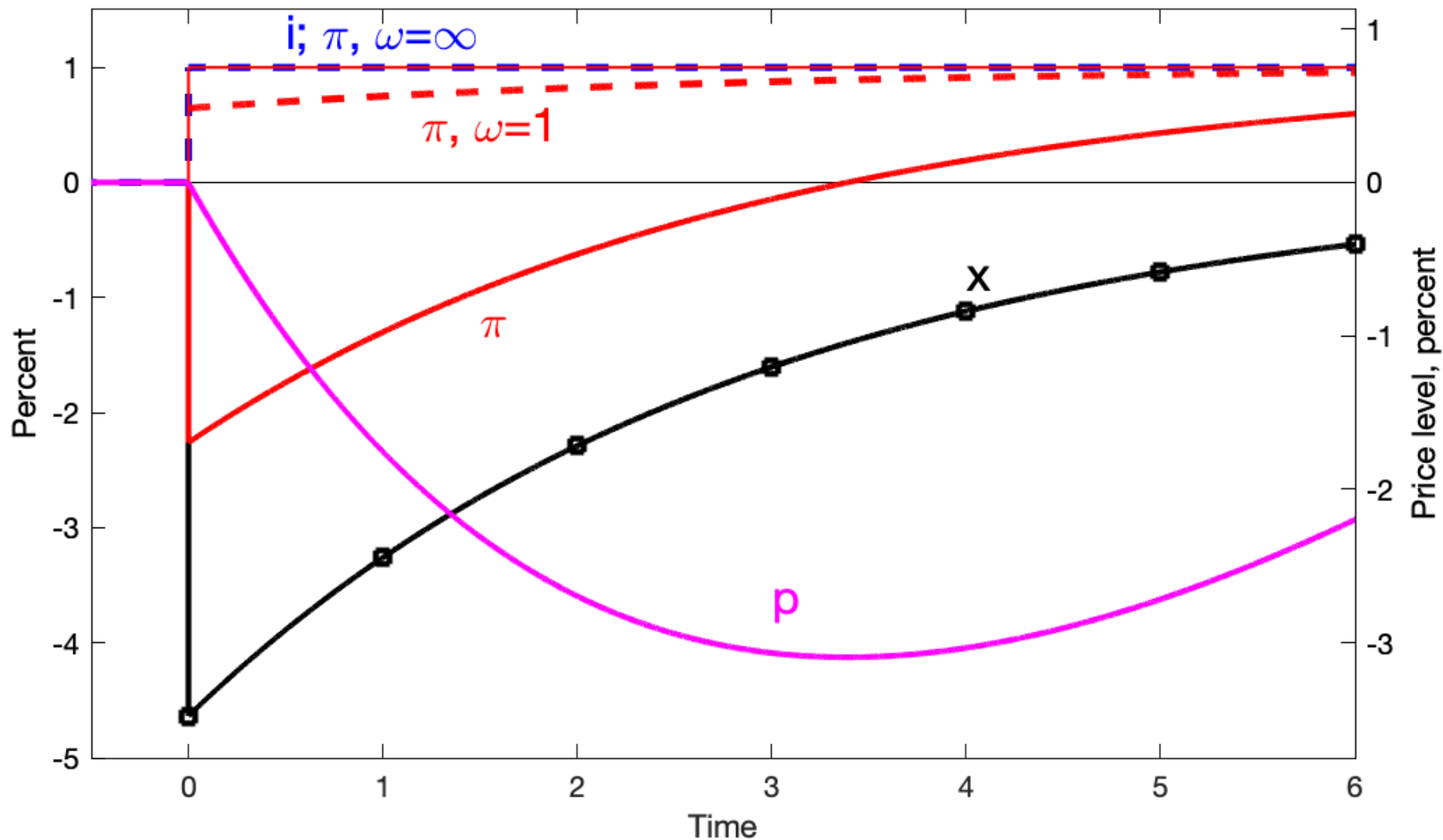
$$E_t dx_t = \sigma(i_t - \pi_t)dt$$

$$E_t d\pi_t = (\rho\pi_t - \kappa x_t)dt$$

$$dv_t = (rv_t + i_t - \pi_t - \tilde{s}_t)dt$$

Shock to \tilde{s}_t with no change in interest rate i_t .

Response to 1% Interest Rate Rise



$$E_t dx_t = \sigma(i_t - \pi_t)dt$$

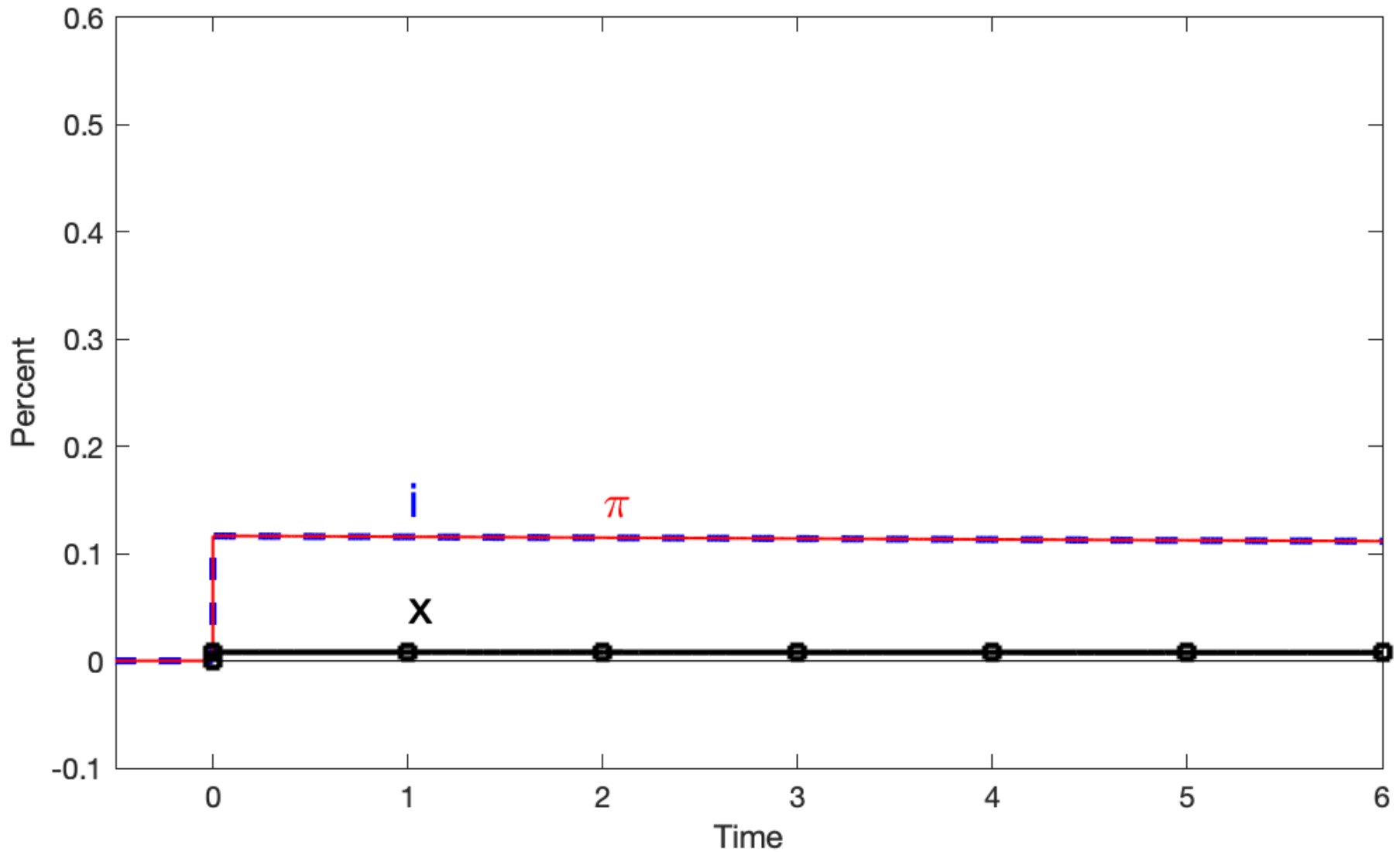
$$E_t d\pi_t = (\rho\pi_t - \kappa x_t)dt$$

Model: $dv_t = (rv_t + i_t - \pi_t - \tilde{s}_t)dt + (dq_t - E_t dq_t)$ Shock to i_t with no change in \tilde{s}_t

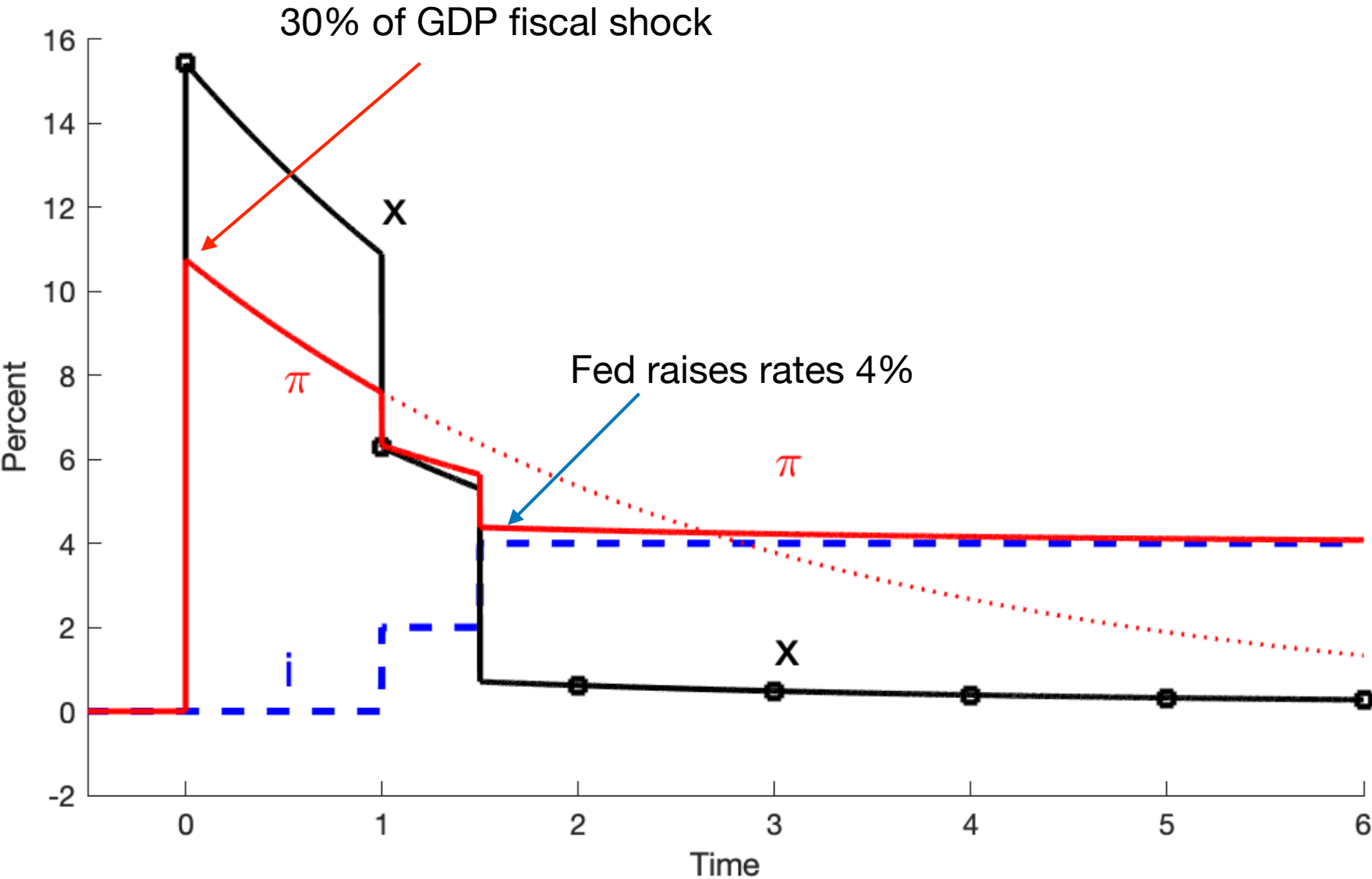
$$E_t dq_t = [(r + \omega)q_t + i_t]dt$$

1% Fiscal Shock + Taylor Rule Fed Response

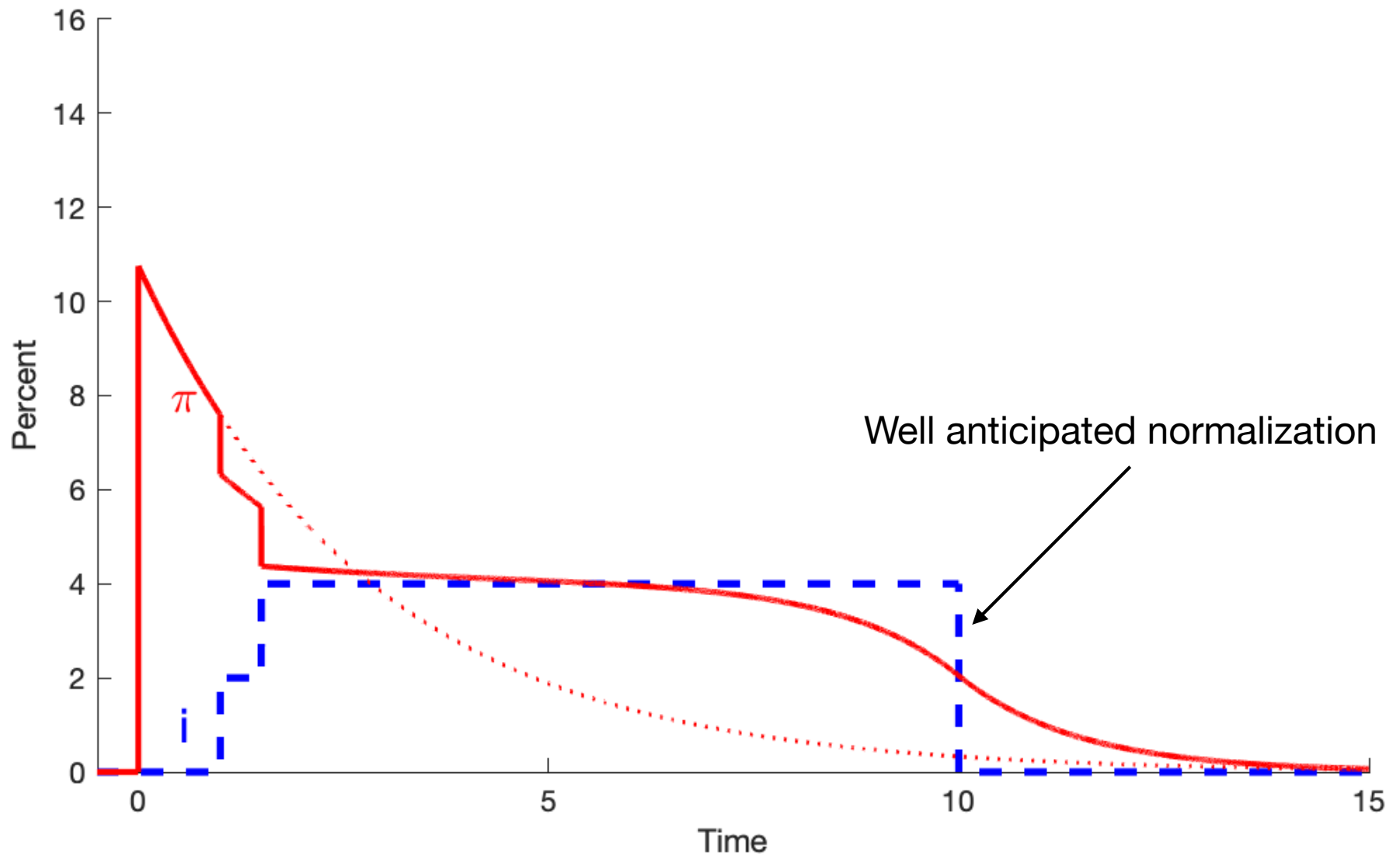
$$i_t = \theta \pi_t; \theta = 1$$



Fed responds late to a fiscal shock



We need not have inflation forever



Worries

- Can the Fed (alone) raise rates, lower inflation?

1. The *point* is to cause a bit of recession.

$$x_t = E_t x_{t+1} - \sigma(i_t - E_t \pi_{t+1})$$

$$\pi_t = \beta E_t \pi_{t+1} + \kappa x_t$$

Raise i , lower x , lower π .

2. Recession politics?

3. All AD is not the same — interest-sensitive hit more.

4. Fiscal interactions:

- A. Higher interest costs. \$25T x 1% = \$250b

- B. Fed balance sheet losses. \$9T!

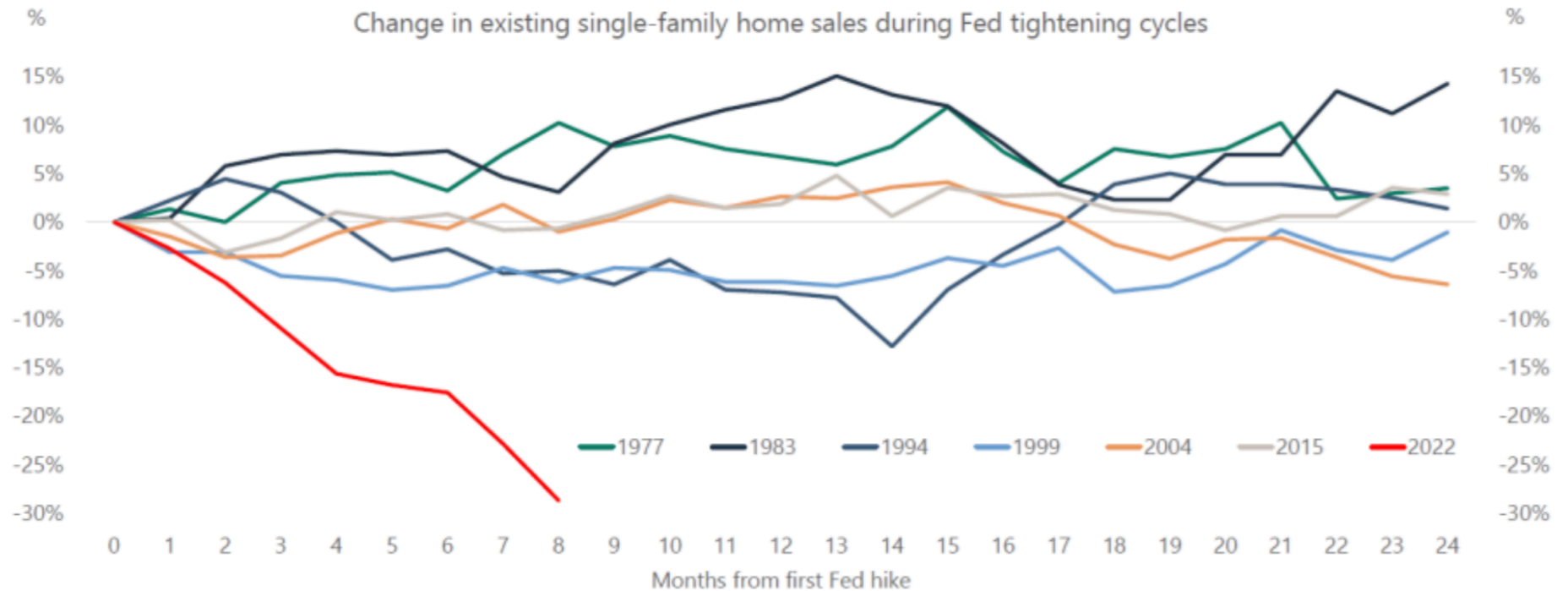
- C. Recession stimulus and bailout. Another 30% GDP?

- D. Unreformed current and long-term deficits.

- The next shock?

All AD is not the same: shift away from interest-sensitive components

Fastest Housing Slowdown on Record



Source: NAR, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist