

# Evolutionary Game Analysis of China's Housing Industrialization Incentive Policy

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**Abstract**—In order to implement the concept of sustainable development of real estate, China's residential industrialization has integrated energy conservation, environmental protection and high efficiency on the basis of maintaining the same level of quality as before. China's government departments have given relevant incentive policies for the development trend of residential industrialization, which will inject strong momentum into the development of residential industrialization. Based on the interaction behavior of residential industrialization stakeholders, this paper uses the relevant theory of evolutionary game theory to construct an evolutionary game model of government and real estate developers, and analyzes the transmission mechanism of incentive policies for residential industrialization in China.

**Keywords**—housing industrialization; incentives; evolutionary game

## I. INTRODUCTION

Housing Industry Modernization often abbreviated as "Housing Industrialization", initially means the modernization of the construction model, and modern meaning is the industrialization of all properties. The definition of industrialization in the initial stage was proposed by Japanese scholars in 1968. It is based on the use of related technologies and refers to the relevant standardization system of the residential department, which constitutes a community of interests in the research, installation and property of the entire housing cycle. The development period of foreign residential industrialization is much longer than domestic. After the Second World War, the relevant research results of residential industrialization have already appeared. In the context of the high degree of damage and loss in the Second World War, countries such as Europe, America, and Japan began to explore the industrialization of housing in order to ensure the supply demand of housing [1]. In the long-term development process, these countries have combined with the actual situation to formulate a series of promotion policies, which have made great progress in legislation, finance and finance, and the development of housing has basically met market demand. Barlow [2] proposed that only in the selection and application of large-scale customized production mode, housing can reach the requirements of consumers to the greatest extent, and has a high market competitiveness. Yoonseok [3] and others have developed an information

system suitable for residential construction, which greatly improves the construction efficiency of the house and controls the overall construction cost. Jose P. Duarte [4] developed an auxiliary algorithm for housing construction that has had a major impact on mass-customized residential design. Studies have shown that the common form of residential construction in North America is the assembly of low-rise wood structures [5]. Matsumura [6] completed the efficient integration of resources on the basis of e-commerce, greatly improving construction efficiency and reducing project costs. Most of the analysis related to the industrialization of housing in foreign countries is concentrated on the contents of modularization and information systems. In China, we need to accelerate the development of residential industrialization on the basis of studying the experience of foreign developed countries and combining with the market demand of China. In order to achieve good residential construction in China, in the actual construction, high-quality construction materials must be selected, which directly leads to the cost of residential construction is generally higher than that of traditional houses [7]. In addition, China's corresponding promotion policy has not reached a higher level of promotion is also one of the reasons for the continued low level of China's residential industrialization development.

## II. THEORETICAL ANALYSIS

### A. Incentive Theory

The main content of the motivation theory includes information mechanism and incentive mechanism. The so-called incentive theory refers to the incentives provided to the participants to meet the requirements of the mechanism creators when they are chasing their own goals. In the field of economics, conventional incentive theory usually regards human beings as single members who only pursue more interests. It is assumed that the maximization of interests is the starting point for people to consider and act. At this time, the key to the creation of related mechanisms is to target the relevant individuals. The specific income situation completes the incentive, but ignores the initiative of the individual members, resulting in a decline in their enthusiasm for work. The driving theory proposed by Hull et al., the humanistic concept proposed by McClelland and Alderfer, and the cognitive theory proposed by Bruner and other scholars have

laid the foundation stone of psychological motivation theory. In the creation of incentives for residential industrialization, it is necessary to design incentive models related to the economics field, taking into account all stakeholders, expanding the material income of the relevant entities, changing the value trend of participation, and realizing the self-incentive process of relevant individuals.

### *B. Evolutionary Game Theory*

The evolutionary game theory is enlightened by Darwin's biological thoughts. It combines game theory with dynamic development. Under the premise of bounded rationality, the group is regarded as the object of analysis, pointing out that the relevant individuals in the real environment need to continuously learn and imitate. This leads to an optimal solution. Evolutionary game theory was initially applied to issues related to competition or choice in the process of biological evolution, and then gradually applied to economics related fields. At present, evolutionary game theory is widely used in many fields such as biology and sociology. Evolutionary games usually have two long-term research frameworks, namely optimal dynamics and replication dynamics. The former is a related small group related to rapid learning ability and corresponding rational level. Its characteristics are that small groups can give corresponding countermeasures to the situation of the previous two-party game; the latter is a large group with low rationality tomography for colleagues with insufficient ability to imitate. The relevant mechanisms for achieving regulation are focused on the increasing number of supporters for more successful strategies and the number of people using different strategies in large groups will change with the evolution of replication dynamics. The latter can be done using the varying differential equations. The real estate developer group belongs to the stakeholders of residential industrialization. It can be regarded as a large group, and it needs to go through a long-term imitation process. The long-term implementation of the strategy can achieve a more balanced state, so it is suitable to use the replication dynamic research framework. The game is analyzed.

## III. ANALYSIS OF CHINA'S HOUSING INDUSTRIALIZATION POLICY

China's residential industrialization is currently in the second phase of development (2005-present). In 2005, the construction department issued the "Guiding Opinions on the Development of Energy-saving Land-saving Residential Buildings and Public Buildings" (Jianke [2005] No. 78), which clarified the development focus of the second phase of industrialization development, mainly to develop energy-saving and land-saving types. The new process of housing construction promoted the industrialization of housing, followed by a series of related policies on "energy saving and land saving".

### *A. Problems in Policy Making*

1) *No complete residential industrialization system:* China's housing industrialization policy has not yet formed a complete system. In terms of industrial policy system, China

lacks systematic design. There is no clear direction on the whole. Each region develops its own, and only pursues short-term benefits, resulting in a large amount of construction waste, which leads to waste of resources and energy.

2) *Lack of effective economic policy support:* In the process of promoting the industrialization of housing, the government has not fundamentally solved the market failure of residential industrialization due to the lack of relevant economic policies such as tax reduction and loan interest rate concessions. The solution to the problem only stayed in the government's call, issued a number of relevant opinions and expert discussions, and did not implement specific issues such as funds. Such as, priority is given to supporting residential industrialization enterprises, and giving preferential policies and support to the housing industrialization component system, building system and technical support system.

3) *Lack of standardization and componentization:* In the industrial policy that has been introduced to promote the industrialization of housing, there is a lack of relevant policies on the development of building standardization and implementation of the ministry. Standardization and ministry are the premise and foundation for industrialization. The system of building standards without establishing a system is not up to standard.

4) *Lack of relevant policies to encourage technology research and development:* Technology development in industrialization is extremely important. In the early stage of technology research and development, high cost investment is required, and most developers lack the motivation to promote industrialization. The government has not issued a policy to encourage technology research and development, and there is no subsidy for research funding. It is difficult to mobilize the enthusiasm of producers.

### *B. Problems in Policy Implementation*

1) *Problems in policy implementation:* In the industrial policies that have been introduced, there are few policies that require developers to enforce them, which lacks practical significance. In addition, many policy implementations are too narrow to achieve the goal of rapidly promoting industrialization and intensive management, which is contrary to the original intention of residential industrialization.

2) *Insufficient motivation:* In the policies that have been introduced, there is a lack of relevant economic policies that motivate companies. When developing a residential project, there is no mandatory policy restriction on industrialization on the one hand, and no economic incentive on the other. Although the current backward construction model does not affect the company's high profits, it needs a lot of financial support in the early stage, and it will not generate economic incentives for the company, which will reduce the company's development profit. Although residential

industrialization is a major trend in the future, enterprises have no incentive to implement, which will cause the industrialization to advance extremely slowly.

**IV. EVOLUTIONARY GAME ANALYSIS OF INCENTIVES FOR HOUSING INDUSTRIALIZATION DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA**

**A. Evolutionary Game Model Construction**

1) *Basic assumption:* Both sides of the game belong to the government and developers, of which the government acts as the decision maker and the developer acts as the responder. The government's incentives for housing industrialization can choose between spiritual incentives and economic incentives. Among them, the spiritual incentives are government propaganda and call, and no policy support is provided; economic incentives provide the government with a series of preferential policies to provide preferential support to relevant enterprises, and entrust project contracting to open investors for construction. Developers respond to projects based on government incentives, and traditional or residential industrialization options can be selected in the actual construction process.

The rationality of both sides is not equal. In the actual game, it belongs to the individual model, but it can't grasp all the relevant information of the developer. However, it can analyze the policy rationally according to the limited information it has, and it is coherent and feasible. Therefore, it is rational. After the government makes a decision, the developer must go through continuous learning, exploration and simulation to find the optimal plan and strategy, and then achieve the equilibrium of the evolutionary game, so it can be said to be bounded rational.

2) *Evolutionary game model construction between government and real estate developers:* The game matrix model is as follows:  $\pi_0$  is the relevant income of the government when real estate developers build traditional houses.  $\pi_1$  is the government's gains when the developer chooses an industrialization plan.  $\pi_1'$  is the economic benefit of the developer when building an industrialized house.  $\pi_2$  is the government to use economic incentives, developers to build industrialized housing, the long-term benefits of resources and environment.  $\pi_3$  is the social benefits that the government uses economic incentives and developers to build industrialized houses (the government's credibility is improved, etc.).  $\pi_4$  is the government's use of spiritual incentives, and some developers' long-term gains in resources and environment when they choose industrialization solutions.  $\pi_2'$  is the long-term return of the brand reputation obtained by the developer in the process of constructing related industrialized houses.  $c_1$  is the cost of formulating and promoting relevant standards and policies when selecting economic incentives.  $c_2$  is that when the government adopts economic incentives, it will make various subsidies and preferential treatments for real estate developers when constructing industrialized houses.  $c_2'$  is the cost of real estate developers building industrialized

houses compared with building traditional houses. We can set the probability that government agencies choose economic incentives to  $x$ , set the probability that government agencies choose spiritual incentives to  $1-x$ , set the proportion of individuals in the real estate developer group to  $y$ , build industrialized housing as the proportion of individuals building traditional houses. The ratio is set to  $1-y$ . Building an asymmetric model between government and developers. (as shown in "Table I")

TABLE I. EVOLUTIONARY GAME BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS

Government	Real estate developers	
	Housing industrialization $y$	Traditional $1-y$
Economic incentive $x$	$\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 - c_1 - c_2$ $\pi_1' + \pi_2' + c_2 - c_1'$	$\pi_0 - c_1$ $\pi_0'$
Mental stimulation $1-x$	$\pi_1 + \pi_4$ $\pi_1' + \pi_2' - c_1'$	$\pi_0$ $\pi_0'$

**B. Evolutionary Stability Strategy Analysis**

For the government and the developers, in the limited rational repetitive game, refer to the several games that are often generated before, carry out the corresponding imitation, learning and change their own strategies, and then achieve the evolutionary stable equilibrium.

According to "Table I", it can be concluded that the government's choice of economic incentives is:

$$E_{11} = y(\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 - c_1 - c_2) + (1-y)(\pi_0 - c_1) \quad (1)$$

The government chooses spiritual incentive income as:

$$E_{12} = y(\pi_1 + \pi_4) + (1-y)\pi_0 \quad (2)$$

The average expected return of the government is:

$$E_1 = xE_{11} + (1-x)E_{12} = xy(\pi_2 + \pi_3 - \pi_4 - c_2) - xc_1 + y(\pi_1 + \pi_4)$$

The government's replication dynamic equation is:

$$F(x) = \frac{dx}{dt} = x(E_{11} - E_1) = x(1-x)[(\pi_2 + \pi_3 - \pi_4 - c_2)y - c_1] \quad (4)$$

The benefits that developers get from using the industrialization model are:

$$E_{21} = x(\pi_1' + \pi_2' + c_2 - c_1') + (1-x)(\pi_1' + \pi_2' - c_1') \quad (5)$$

The benefits of using traditional construction methods are:

$$E_{22} = x\pi_0' + (1-x)\pi_0 \quad (6)$$

The expected return of the real estate developer community is:

$$E_2 = yE_{21} = (1-y)E_{22} = y(c_2x + \pi_1' + \pi_2' - \pi_0' - c_1') + \pi_0 \quad (7)$$

The dynamic equation of replication for real estate developers is:

$$G(y) = \frac{dy}{dt} = y(E_{21} - E_2) = y(1-y)(c_2x + \pi_1' + \pi_2' - \pi_0' - c_1') \quad (8)$$

The basic evolution of the game between the government and the developers regarding the industrialization of housing can be expressed by the above two dynamic equations. Through the above analysis, it can be concluded that the evolutionary game model between the government and the real estate developer group on the development of industrialized housing has five equilibrium points, such as (0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1),  $(x^*, y^*)$ . According to the method given by Friedman (1991), the local stability of the Jacobian matrix of the evolutionary system can be analyzed to obtain the local stability of the equilibrium point of the system. In the case of a relatively low expected return of any developer or government support for residential industrialization, there are only four equilibrium positions and only one evolutionary equilibrium (0, 0). Simply put, the developers still adhere to the traditional way of building, and the government only provides spiritual incentives. When the expected value of the residential industrialization mode supported by the developer is expected to exceed the expected value of the traditional expected return, the government's economic incentives are higher than the expected value of the spiritual incentive. There will be five local equilibrium points, including two evolution equilibrium points (0, 0) and (1, 1).

### C. Model Parameter Analysis

Through system evolution, when  $\pi_1' + \pi_2' - \pi_0' - c_1' + c_2' > 0$  and  $\pi_2' + \pi_3' - \pi_4' - c_2' - c_1' > 0$ , the system can achieve the Pareto optimal effect. The basic criticality of the various equilibrium states of this system is judged by the relevant saddle point  $(x^*, y^*)$ . If you want to achieve Pareto optimal equilibrium using the industrialization model in both government and development, you must move to the lower left of the interface, and further rely on special evolutionary effects to achieve an incremental change in the initial state of the point.

The parameters change as follows:

- Need to reduce the extra cost of industrialization
- There is a need to increase the expected benefits of the industrialization program and the long-term benefits of the brand and other areas achieved by this approach
- It is necessary to increase the expectation of the government to use the economic incentives, the long-term income of the resources obtained by the developers using the industrialization model, and the expectations of social-level benefits (credit enhancement, etc.); some developers still choose to reduce the use of spiritual incentives. Expected parameters of long-term benefits in areas such as resources obtained from industrialization programs

- Increase the government's expenditure on various subsidies and preferential measures for real estate developers adopting residential industrialization methods; minimize the cost incurred in formulating and promoting relevant standards and policies.

## V. CONCLUSION

In the evolutionary game analysis of China's housing industrialization incentive policy, the key factors affecting game equilibrium are mainly divided into four parts. These four parts include the costs incurred by the government to promote the development of residential industrialization, the resources obtained from it, the environmental and social benefits, the costs paid by the developers and the benefits they receive.

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