

This report details the technical architecture, data philosophy, and resulting insights of the Global Macro AI system built the Black-Litter-man Portfolio Tool.

1. The Core Objective

Traditional portfolio models assume "Normal" markets. The **Global Macro AI** is designed to identify a specific regime known as "**Global Fiscal Dominance**" or "**Financial Repression.**"

In this regime, governments cannot afford high interest rates due to massive debt levels. To survive, they must keep interest rates below inflation (Negative Real Rates). Historically, this is the environment where **Gold** transitions from a simple commodity to a primary global reserve asset.

2. The 6 Pillars of Data

The system monitors six real-world indicators to predict this regime. It looks for "confluence"—when multiple signals point in the same direction.

| Indicator | Source | What it Signals |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Real Rates | US 10Y Yield - CPI | If < 1.0%, the regime is active. Negative rates = Max Score. |
| Fiscal Constraint | Federal Interest Expense / GDP | When debt interest exceeds 3% of GDP, the system is "stressed." |
| Bond-Equity Corr | 12M Rolling Correlation | If Bonds and Stocks fall together (Positive Correlation), safe havens are failing. |
| CB Gold Purchases | World Gold Council (WGC) | Central Banks buying gold suggests they are de-dollarizing (Structural Bullish). |
| Inflation Volatility | 12M Std Dev of CPI | Large swings in inflation suggest a loss of monetary control. |
| Vol Ratio | Inflation Vol / Growth Vol | If inflation is more volatile than growth, we are in a "Repression" signature. |

3. The Scoring Engine (Regime Brain)

Each indicator is transformed from raw data into a **normalized score (0.0 to 1.0)**.

- Normalization:** Raw data (like -2% real rates) is mapped to a score where 1.0 is "Extreme Fiscal Dominance" and 0.0 is "Perfect Normalcy."
- Weighted Aggregation:** The "Global Macro AI" calculates a weighted average. For example, **Volatility Ratio** is weighted at 30% because it is the most reliable "structural" signal.

3. The Threshold:

- **Score > 50%:** Regime is ACTIVE. High confidence in Gold.
 - **Score < 50%:** Regime is NORMAL. Neutral-to-mild view on Gold.
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4. Historical Back test Results

When we run the AI through historical data, the results are striking:

2021 - 2022: The Fiscal Stress Test

- **Regime Score: ~72% (Active)**
- **Conditions:** Real rates hit **-5.0%**. National interest expense/GDP spiked toward 3.5%.
- **Back-test Result:** The AI would have triggered a "Strong Long Gold" view. Gold performed as a critical diversifier during the 2022 stock/bond crash.

2024 - 2025: The Stabilization Phase

- **Regime Score: ~35% (Inactive)**
 - **Conditions:** Real rates returned to positive **+1.5%**. Inflation volatility subsided.
 - **Back-test Result:** The AI suggested a neutral stance. It correctly predicted that Gold would trade on momentum rather than structural necessity during this period.
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5. Current Trend Analysis (Jan 2026 Perspective)

As of the latest data (January 2026), the system outputs a **Regime Score of 37.2%**.

The Breakdown:

- **The Bearish Factor:** Real rates are positive (+1.8%), which acts as a "gravity" pulling the score down.
- **The Bullish Factor:** Central Bank gold purchases remain near record highs (Tonnes > 200/qtr), keeping a "structural floor" under the score.
- **Historical Context:** We are currently in a "**Normal Macro**" environment. There is no immediate "Fiscal Dominance" crisis.

Current AI Recommendation:

The system is **NOT** "pounding the table" for a 50% gold allocation. Instead, it suggests a **MODERATE TILT (+1.8% excess return)**. It views Gold as a sensible hedge that should stay in the portfolio at roughly **5% to 12% weight**, but not as the primary driver of returns... yet.

6. How the "AI View" is Applied

When you click **Global Macro AI** in the tool:

1. It fetches the **37.2% score** from the backend.
2. It calculates a **Target Tilt** ($\text{Score} \times 5.0\% = +1.86\%$).
3. It sets **Confidence (Omega)** relative to the assets' risk.
4. The Optimizer pulls money from Bonds/Equity and reallocates a small share to **SBI Gold Fund** to meet this target.

It won't over-allocate to Gold unless we see real rates drop or fiscal stress spike again.

Regime C-

Example logic (simplified):

Let:

- R_t = real policy rate
- D_t = debt servicing stress
- $\rho_{eq,bond}$ = rolling correlation
- G_t = CB gold demand z-score

Define:

Regime C likelihood increases when:

- $R_t < 0$ OR capped near 0
- $D_t \uparrow$
- $\rho_{eq,bond} > 0$
- $G_t > +1\sigma$
- Inflation vol > GDP vol

This is **constraint satisfaction**, not prediction.

Regime C enters via **3 levers only**:

1. Expected return *tilts*
2. Correlation overrides
3. Constraint relaxations / minimum weights

We need **scores**, not labels.

Step 1: Normalize everything (z-scores or percentiles)

Example:

- Real rate percentile
- Bond–equity correlation percentile
- CB gold buying z-score

Step 2: Build a Regime C Score

Simple weighted sum works better than ML here.

$$\text{RegimeC}_t = w_1 \cdot f(\text{Real Rate}) + w_2 \cdot f(\text{Debt Stress}) + w_3 \cdot f(\rho_{eq,bond}) + w_4 \cdot f(\text{CB Gold}) + w_5 \cdot f(\sigma_\pi - \sigma_g)$$

Where:

- $f(\cdot)$ = sigmoid or clipped linear function
- Weights sum to 1

No optimization here. **Judgment > math.**

Step 3: Convert score to probability

Use softmax or logistic mapping:

$$P(\text{Regime C}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-k(\text{Score} - \theta)}}$$

How Regime C modifies optimizer inputs (this is the core)

A. Expected Return Adjustment (tilt, not forecast)

You **do not** predict gold returns.

You do this instead:

$$E[R_{gold}] = E[R_{base}] + \lambda \cdot P(\text{Regime C})$$

Where:

- λ is small (50–150 bps annualized)

Correlation Override (most important)

In Regime C:

- Bonds lose negative correlation to equities
- Gold gains hedge correlation

So override covariance matrix:

- Reduce bond–equity hedge benefit
- Increase equity–gold diversification benefit

This alone will move allocations.

What actually breaks Regime C (non-negotiable)

Regime C collapses ONLY if **all three** happen:

1. Sustained positive real rates

- Not peak
- Not forecast
- **Ex-post, rolling 6–12 months**

This proves repression has ended.

2. Bond hedge restored

- Equity–bond correlation **negative and stable**
- Not episodic
- This signals policy credibility is back

3. Fiscal constraint relaxed

- Debt servicing cost stabilizes or falls
- No political pressure to cap yields
- No stealth repression tools

Miss any one → regime persists.

The exact indicators that trigger transition *back* to traditional portfolio

This is where you need discipline.

Transition rule (example, adjust thresholds):

Reduce Regime C weight only when:

1. Real rates $> +1\%$ for 9–12 months
AND
2. Bond–equity correlation < -0.2 for 6+ months
AND
3. CB gold buying z-score < 0 for multiple quarters

Not one. **All three.**

We are trying to:

Continuously estimate which macro environment we are most likely in, given noisy, delayed, and sometimes contradictory data.

At every point in time:

“Given what I believed last month, and given what I’m observing now, how should I update my belief about which regime we are in?”

| Regime | Description |
|--------|------------------------------|
| A | Growth + Disinflation |
| B | Growth + Inflation |
| C | Late Cycle / Monetary Stress |
| D | Crisis / Deflation Shock |

CSV Upload

- Parse & Normalize Data
- Bayesian Regime Scoring
- Regime Probability Vector
- Confidence Scalar
- Allocation Bands Generator
- Optimizer Call
- Final Weights + Diagnostics

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us_real_rate,
us_nominal_rate,
inflation_expectations,
global_liquidity,
gold_price,
central_bank_gold_buying,
india_repo_rate,
india_yield_curve_slope,
equity_earnings_breadth,
credit_spread