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## Notes:

## Code:

1. For Monte Carlo Simulation: A complete simulation with full sample size and iteration steps could take a while. Please consider using Code/Simulation/Showcase.R to run a small-scale Monte Carlo experiment. For replication of the results, please use Code/Simulation/Replica.R to extract the files from the folder Code/Simulation/Server. These results are generated on the StatOek3 Server. Server information: 128 CPUs each Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-4660 v4 @ 2.20GHz.

- 2. For Application: The main file is Code/Main.R, which contains most of our calculations such as, inter alia, specifications and diagonastics of reduced-form VAR, identifications of structural VAR, computation of IRFs, boostrap inference. Supplement files:
- Code/Fa.R performs factor-augumented VAR analysis.
- Code/Hist\_decomp.R performs historical decompositions.
- Code/Volcker. R computes the cumulative comtributions of Vocker's monetary policy to disinflation.
- Code/barplot.R plots the cumulative comtributions of Vocker's disinflation as a beautiful barplot. Please always run Code/Main.R first, in order to run other supplement files.
- 3. All involved functions are collected in the local package Code/Functions.

## Data:

- 1. data/USA\_Tri.csv contains variables in the VAR system.
- 2. Folder ``data/Instruments` contains all employed monetary policy proxies.
- 3. data/Factors/fred-database\_code/current.csv contains informational variables, which latent factors are extracted from.