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MACROECONOMIC FORECASTING USING MACHINE LEARNING METHODS

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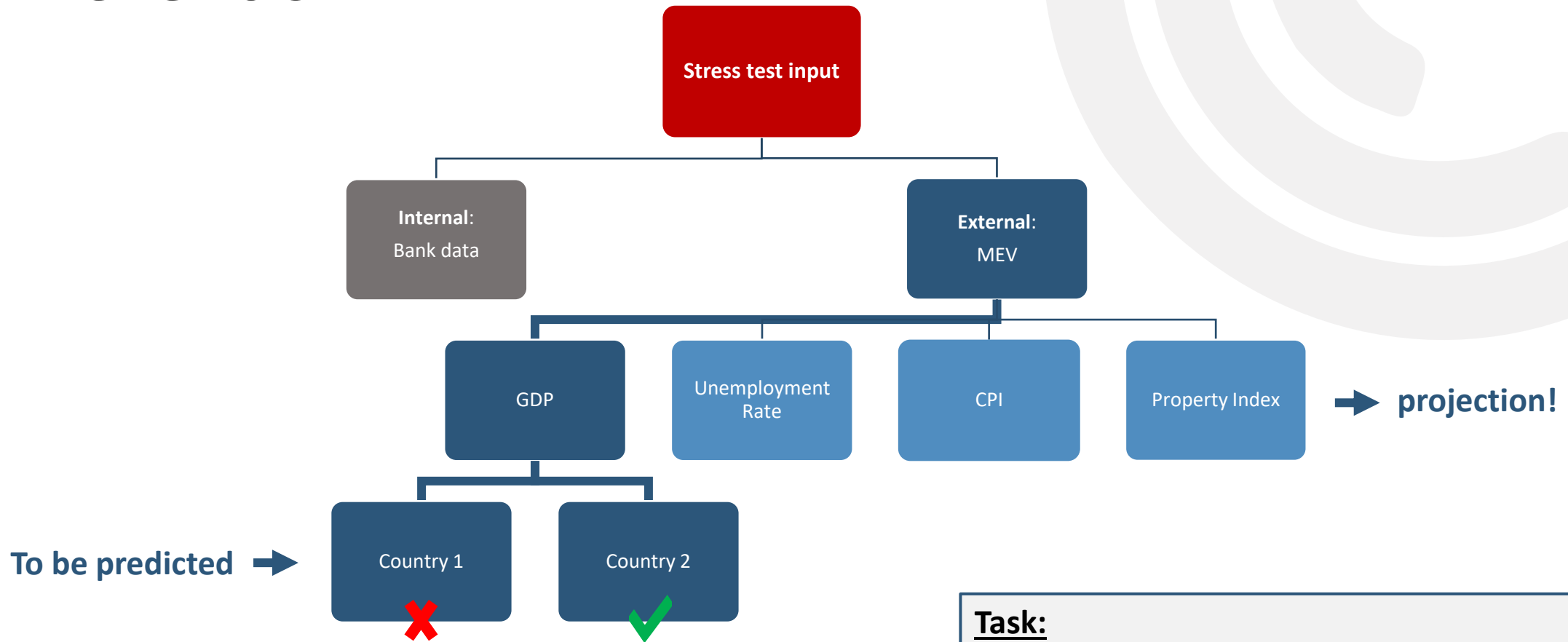
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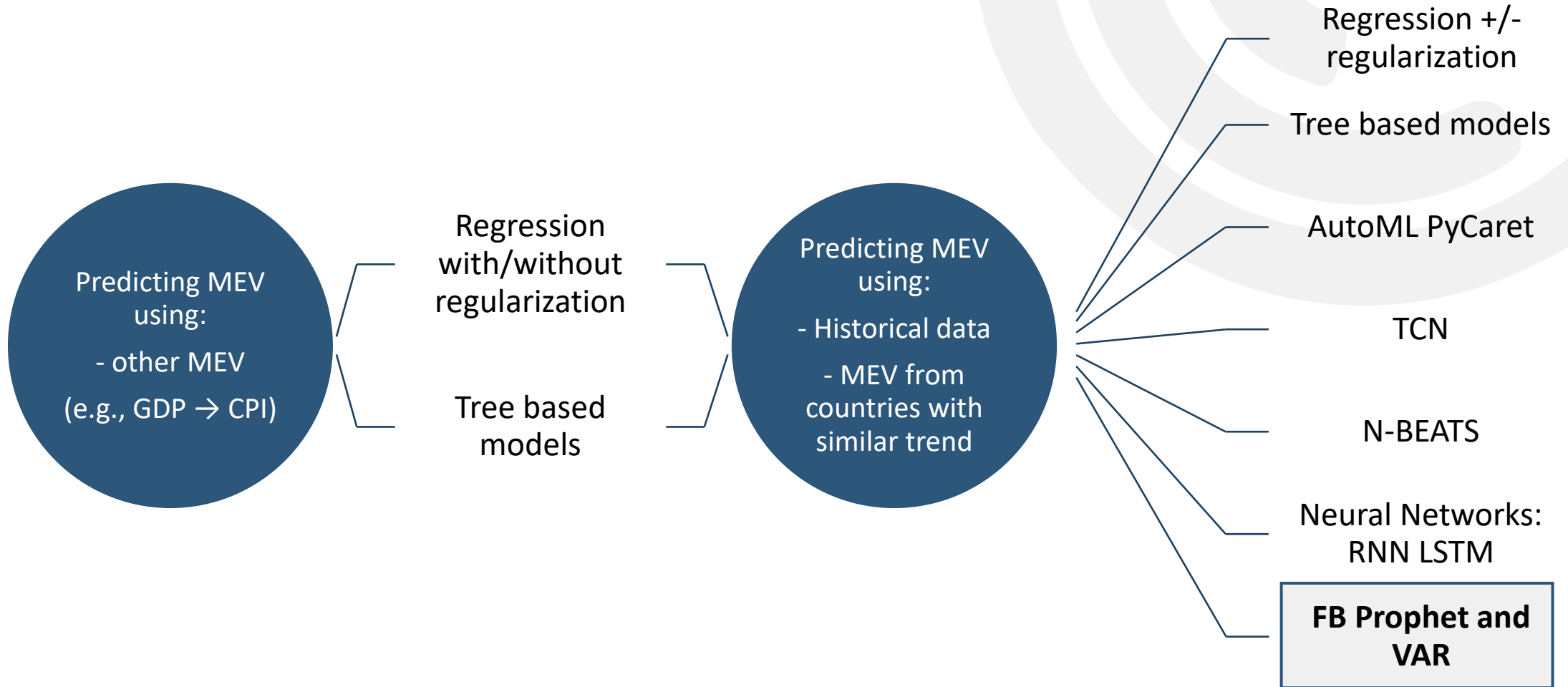
BACKGROUND



Task:

Predict missing **MEVs** for a **stress test** exercise using projected MEV of another country.

PROCESS TO FIND BEST APPROACH



BEST APPROACH

Group countries with similar **profile** and **trend**

1. Time-series clustering

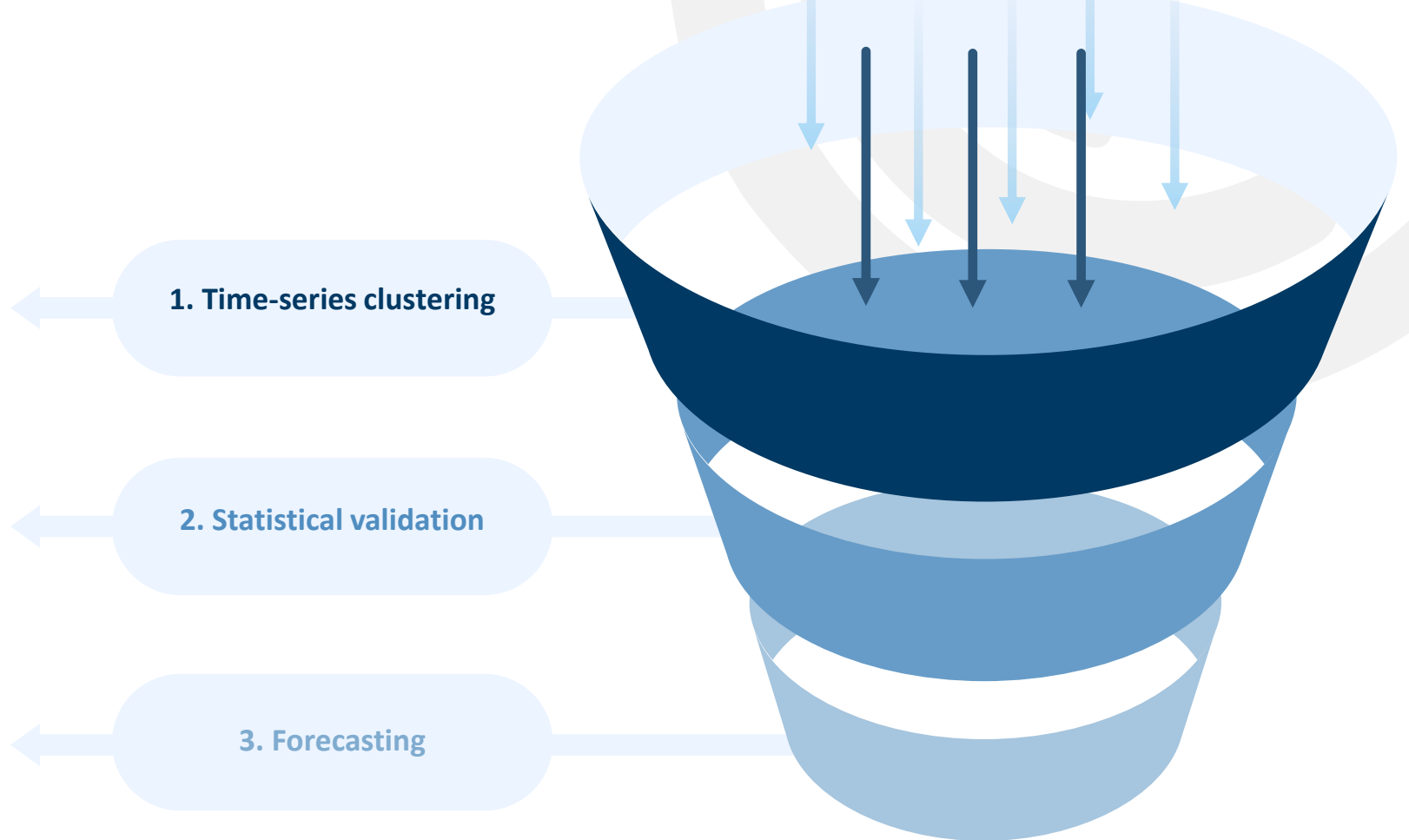
Statistical tests to keep countries with **high predictive power**

2. Statistical validation

Combination of multivariate vector autoregression (**VAR**) and Facebook **Prophet**

3. Forecasting

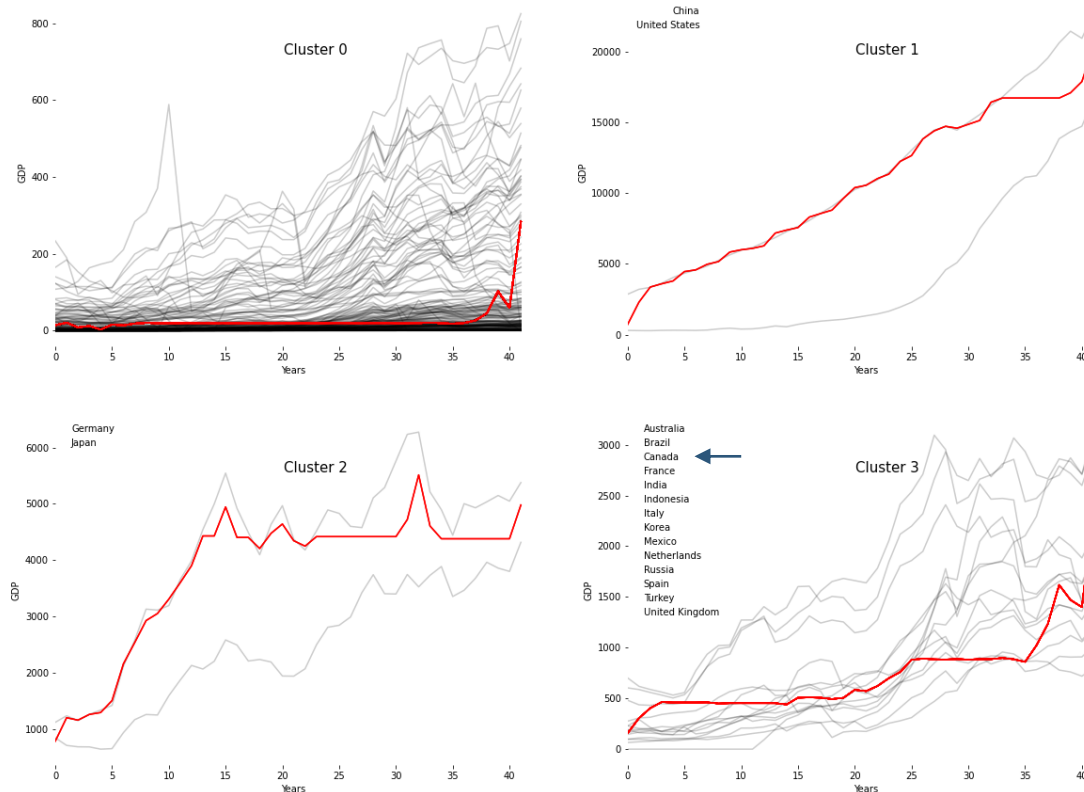
Data set: MEVs of 196 countries



1. CLUSTERING AND STATISTICAL TESTS

- **Time-series clustering:** group countries with similar MEV trend
- **Granger causality test:** filter for countries with high predictive power

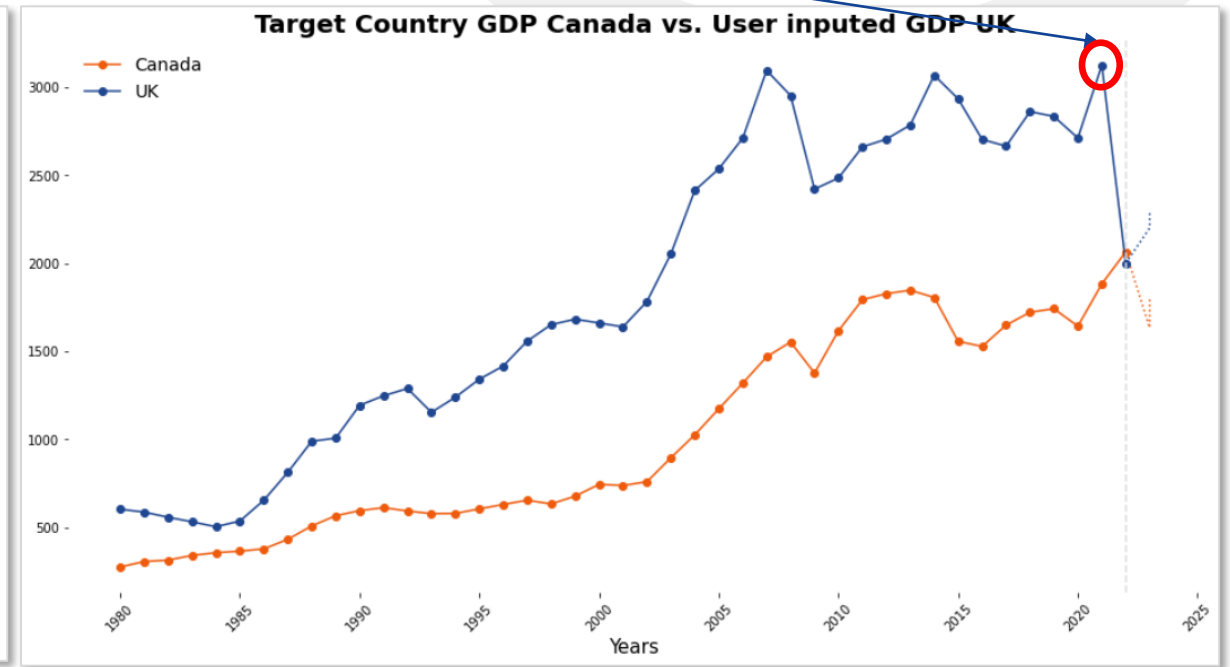
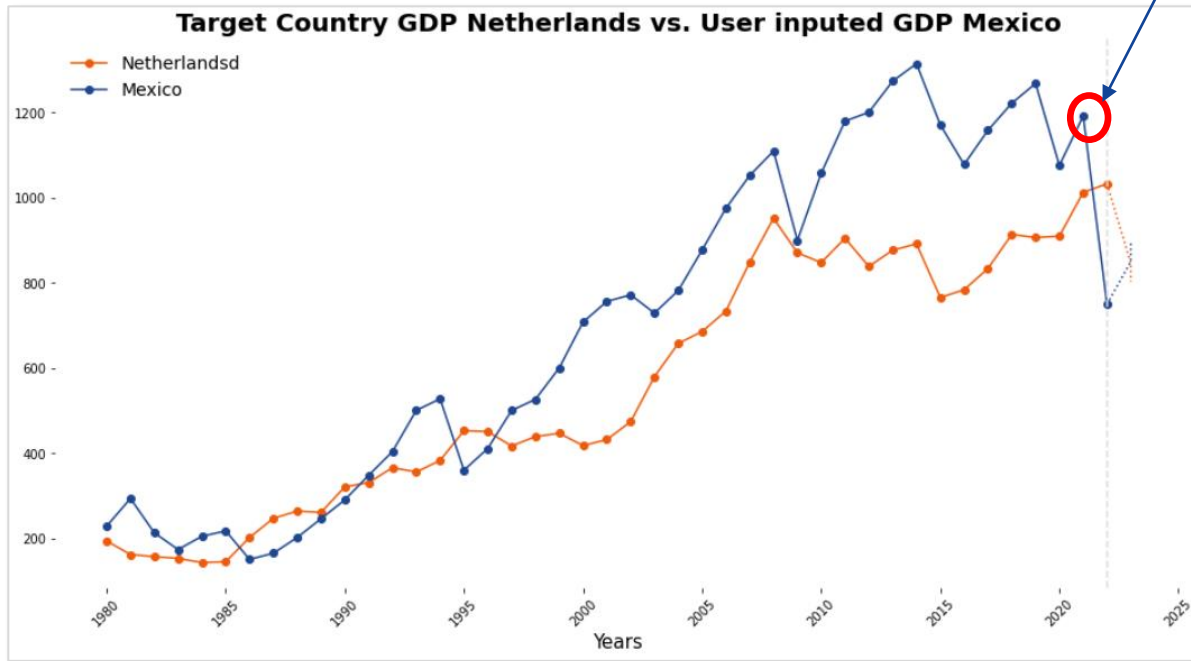
GDP time series Clustering using DTW Barycenter Averaging



	Australia	Brazil	Canada	France	India	Indonesia	Italy	Korea	Mexico	Netherlands	Russia	Spain	Turkey	United Kingdom
Australia_y	1.000000	0.123500	0.002700	0.035900	0.006000	0.020000	0.046900	0.010700	0.000300	0.006500	0.010600	0.001800	0.079000	0.002600
Brazil_y	0.009100	1.000000	0.000200	0.003800	0.000600	0.001100	0.003600	0.009900	0.002400	0.000700	0.003500	0.000100	0.025900	0.000200
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Spain_y	0.244400	0.012500	0.061000	0.024800	0.079700	0.214900	0.100300	0.032400	0.008900	0.105900	0.044200	1.000000	0.220500	0.000600
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United Kingdom_y	0.266200	0.020200	0.213500	0.028200	0.167100	0.001700	0.402400	0.035300	0.000000	0.002300	0.055100	0.100500	0.051200	1.000000

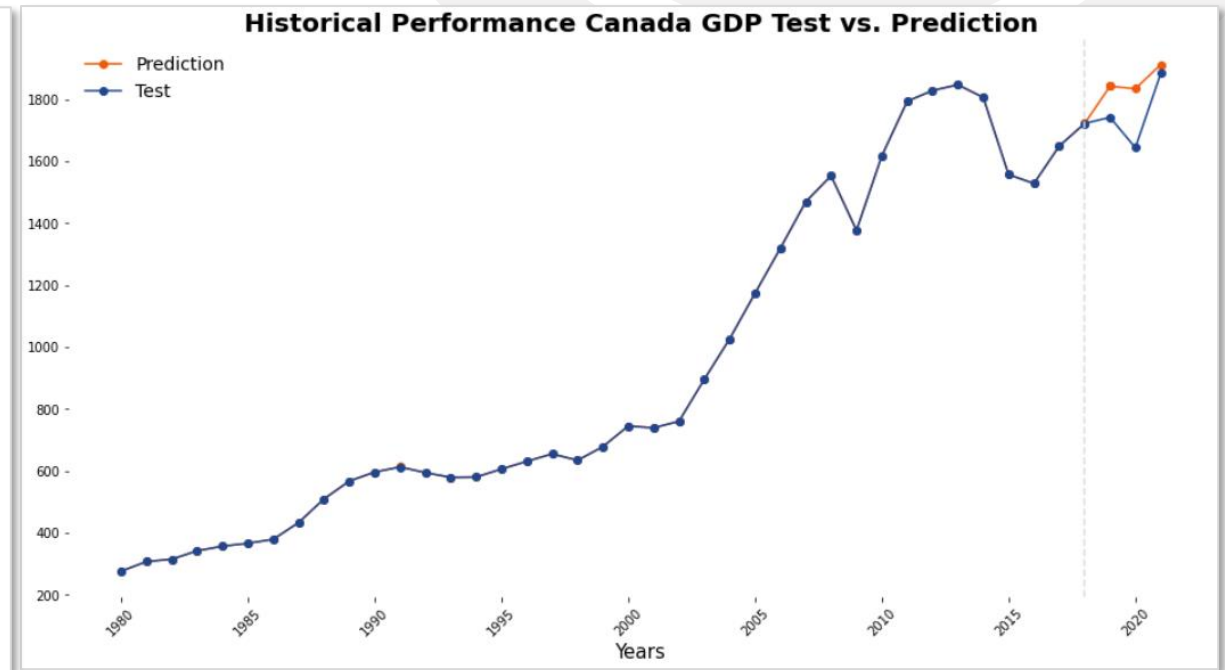
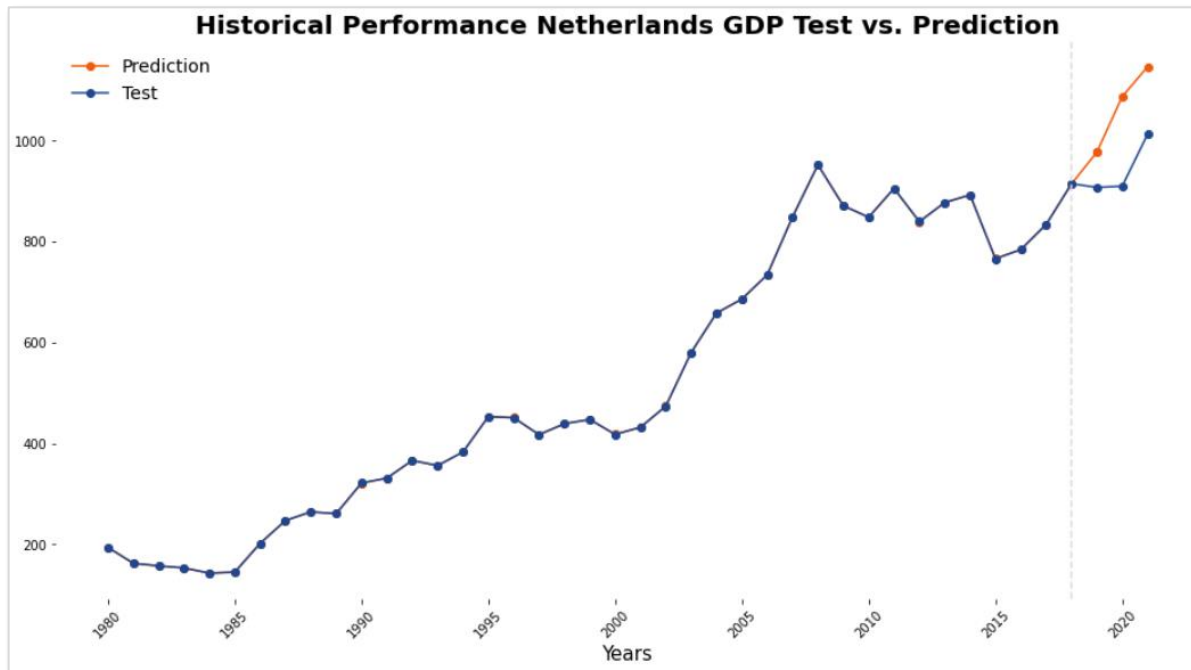
2. THREE-YEAR FORECASTING WITH SHOCK SCENARIO

Downward shock on the GDP
→ predicted GDP decreases



3. VALIDATING FORECAST ON HISTORICAL DATA

→ Testing the predictive power of the model by predicting MEV for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021



CONCLUSION AND OUTLOOK

Conclusion

- ✓ Successful model to predict **MEVs**
- ✓ Best results: **Machine learning** and **statistical methods**
- ✓ Our approach considers **global interconnectedness** of world economies
- ✓ MEVs are influenced by **other parameters** (e.g., politics, wars, global pandemic)

Future steps

- Include **quarterly data** → models «learn» better → produce better results
- Include **non-economic variables** (e.g., health indicators)

"It was never easy to look into the future,
but it is possible
and we should not miss our chance."
— Andrei Linde, Cosmologist —

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