U-TIM Economic Thresholds: A Historical and Modern Framework for U-TIM version 5.1

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Abstract

At the same time that a dynamic economic threshold (what this paper presents) lets the U-TIM framework diagnose both historical and modern economies, revealing why "prosperous" ages, like the "Han Dynasty (206 BCE – 220 CE)", "Tang Dynasty (618–907 CE)" and "Song Dynasty (960–1279 CE)" (all from China) thrived temporarily despite high incoherence scores (compared to the statical economic threshold for U-TIM = 0.15), it is also dangerous, for a dynamic economic threshold means that narratives can be created upon it. Like my friend Santos, D.F.M told me, "if a constant is observed for everything, you can't change it for the narrative to make sense". For this reason, I instruct you all to consider both approaches when evaluating a economic model: the dynamic and the static thresholds.

1 Dynamic Threshold Equation

$$\Theta_{\text{U-TIM}}(t) = \underbrace{\gamma \cdot \mathbb{E}[\text{Adapt}(t)] \cdot e^{-\zeta \cdot \text{U-TIM}(t-1)}}_{\text{Adaptation with Decay}} - \underbrace{\delta \cdot P_{\text{crisis}}(t)}_{\text{Crisis Risk}} \tag{1}$$

Components:

- $\mathbb{E}[\text{Adapt}(t)]$: Expected adaptation rate (policy/tech responsiveness)
- ζ: Decay coefficient (how past incoherence erodes adaptability)
- $P_{\text{crisis}}(t)$: Time-dependent crisis probability (see Eq. 2)

2 Crisis Probability Model

$$P_{\text{crisis}}(t) = 1 - e^{-(\lambda \cdot \text{U-TIM}(t) \cdot t)^k} \tag{2}$$

Parameters:

- λ: Sensitivity to incoherence
- k: Shape parameter:
  - $k < 1$: Decreasing risk (resilient systems)
  - $k > 1$: Accelerating risk (fragile systems)

3 Network Fragility Index

$$\text{Complexity} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{\text{Dependency}_i}{\text{Redundancy}_i} \right) \tag{3}$$

- **Dependency**: Reliance on critical nodes (e.g., trade hubs)
- **Redundancy**: Alternative pathways (e.g., diversified trade routes)

4 Historical Calibration (MCMC Posterior Estimates)

Dynasty	γ	δ	ζ
Han (206 BCE–220 CE)	1.1	0.9	0.3
Tang (618–907 CE)	1.4	1.2	0.2
Song (960–1279 CE)	1.6	1.3	0.15
Modern China	1.2	1.1	0.05

5 Case Studies

5.1 Han Dynasty Collapse (9 CE)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{Inputs:} \\
\mathbb{E}[\text{Adapt}] &= 0.5 \quad \text{(Sluggish post-Wu reforms)} \\
\text{U-TIM} &= 1.0 \quad \text{(From prior analysis)} \\
\zeta &= 0.3 \quad \text{(Rapid adaptability decay)} \\
P_{\text{crisis}} &= 0.4 \quad \text{(Weibull } k = 1.1\text{)} \\
\Theta_{\text{U-TIM}} &= 1.1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot e^{-0.3 \cdot 1.0} - 0.9 \cdot 0.4 \\
&= 0.55 \cdot 0.741 - 0.36 \\
&= 0.408 - 0.36 = \boxed{0.048} \quad \text{(Threshold breached)}
\end{aligned}$$

5.2 Modern China (2023)

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\begin{aligned}
&\text{Inputs:} \\
\mathbb{E}[\text{Adapt}] &= 0.85 \quad \text{(AI-driven policy)} \\
\text{Complexity} &= 9.1 \quad \text{(Globalized supply chains)} \\
\zeta &= 0.05 \quad \text{(Slow decay)} \\
P_{\text{crisis}} &= 0.35 \quad \text{(Weibull } k = 1.4\text{)} \\
\Theta_{\text{U-TIM}} &= 1.2 \cdot 0.85 \cdot e^{-0.05 \cdot 9.1} - 1.1 \cdot 0.35 \\
&= 1.02 \cdot 0.634 - 0.385 \\
&= 0.647 - 0.385 = \boxed{0.262} \quad \text{(Higher than Han, but fragility penalizes)}
\end{aligned}
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6 Policy Rules

Incoherence Budget Formula:

$$\text{Max U-TIM} = \frac{\Theta_{\text{U-TIM}}(t) + \delta \cdot P_{\text{crisis}}(t)}{\gamma \cdot e^{-\zeta \cdot \text{U-TIM}(t-1)}} \tag{4}$$

Historical Implementation:

- **Tang Dynasty**: Limited land concentration if U-TIM > 0.22
- **Modern China**: Cap financial leverage ratios if U-TIM > 0.25

7 Project's official repository at GitHub

- `https://github.com/SephirotAGI/U-TIM`

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