```
> POLS = plm(lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "pooli
ng")> summary(POLS)
Pooling Model
call:
plm(formula = lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "pool
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 51, N = 4386
Residuals:
     Min.
             1st Qu.
                         Median
                                   3rd Qu.
                                                  Max.
-365.6384
           -97.2957
                         5.5567
                                  115.1742
                                             379.9918
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t-value Pr(>|t|)
659.0082 2.9815 221.033 < 2.2e-16 ***
175.6802 4.1673 42.156 < 2.2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 659.0082
D
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                           117260000
Residual Sum of Squares: 83436000
R-Squared:
                 0.28845
Adj. R-Squared: 0.28828
F-statistic: 1777.16 on 1 and 4384 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
       = plm(lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "withi
n")> summary(FE)
Oneway (individual) effect Within Model
call:
plm(formula = lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "with
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 51, N = 4386
Residuals:
     Min.
             1st Qu.
                         Median
                                   3rd Qu.
                                                  Max.
            -18.4393
                                   20.2982
                                             200.6431
                         2.2376
-176.3868
Coefficients:
  Estimate Std. Error t-value Pr(>|t|) 18.7419 1.6888 11.098 < 2.2e-16 ***
D 18.7419
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                            5888000
Residual Sum of Squares:
                           5724000
R-Squared:
                 0.027852
Adj. R-Squared: 0.0084043
F-statistic: 123.165 on 1 and 4299 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
```

```
= plm(lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "rando
m")> summary(RE)
Oneway (individual) effect Random Effect Model
   (Swamy-Arora's transformation)
plm(formula = lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "rand
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 51, N = 4386
Effects:
                        std.dev share
                   var
               1331.47
                          36.49
idiosyncratic
                                 0.09
              13437.73
                         115.92
individual
                                 0.91
theta: 0.956
Residuals:
            1st Qu.
     Min.
                       Median
                                 3rd Qu.
                                              Max.
                                 20.4884
-183.2031
           -19.8349
                       1.0469
                                          193.5872
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z-value Pr(>|z|)
                        12.6379
                                 58.473 < 2.2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 738.9733
                         1.6995
             19.4544
                                 11.447 < 2.2e-16 ***
D
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                         6103900
Residual Sum of Squares: 5926800
R-Squared:
                0.029023
Adj. R-Squared: 0.028802
Chisq: 131.042 on 1 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> pFtest(FE, POLS)
                 F test for individual effects
       lnGDP ∼ D
F = 686.66, df1 = 85, df2 = 4299, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: significant effects
> phtest(FE,RE)
                          Hausman Test
      lnGDP ∼ D
chisq = 14.007, df = 1, p-value = 0.0001821
```

alternative hypothesis: one model is inconsistent

```
>pbgtest(FE, order = 1)
```

Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models

```
data: lnGDP ~ D
chisq = 3638, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
rors</pre>
```

### What is the dynamic impact of a change in D<sub>i,t</sub> on lny<sub>i,t</sub>

Since this is a static model and no lag term, so the coefficient on Dit would be the **long run p ermanent impact.** with one unit shock on Dit, the response of lnyit would be 19.4544 on ran dom effect estimation, 18.7419 on fixed effect estimation, and 175.6802 on pooled OLS estimation, which is significant different than others very likely incorrect. These three estimations n eed to be tested to choose.

### What are the statistical properties of each of the estim ators?

By theory, The fixed effect estimator is the "within estimator" and we do this by the so-calle d "demean approach". For consistency, when N goes to infinity, it need the Dit is strictly exo genous which means Dit need to be independent to error term with any i and t. when T goes t o infinity, the mean of Dit is 0 so it just need the Dit is weakly exogenous which means Dit still need to be independent to error term w.r.t any i but just contemporaneously independent with h respect to t. For biased or not, It's unbiased if it's strictly exogenous. For efficiency, because we only use information from within dimension, so it's not efficient. And it's asymptotic ally normal under some regularity conditions.

The Random effect estimator is the combination of "between estimator and within estimator". **For consistency**, when N goes to infinity, we need consistency for both between estimator and within estimator. Dit still need to be strictly exogenous but also need to be uncorrelated with the individual effect. when T goes to infinity, the between variation has been dropped and random effect same as fixed effect, so we just need weak exogenous. **For efficiency**, we both use between and within dimension, so it's efficient.

The pooled OLS estimator is the OLS version of random effect estimator ignoring the individ ual effect. So no demean approach there. **For consistency** we just need Dit weak exogenous b oth for N goes to infinity and T goes to infinity and we still need it uncorrelated with error ter m. **For efficiency**, it is not **efficient** because of ignoring the individual effect.

And these statistical properties are supported by our test. Base on my result, from the **F-test** w e reject the H0 of there is no individual effect and from the **Hausman test** we reject the H0 of the two estimators are no significant differences. So econometrically, we can not ignore the individual effect and the individual effect is correlated with Dit. so the pooled OLS and rand om effect is inconsistent and we are going to choose fixed effect estimator which are in line of the economical view that the countries as individuals are "one of a kind"

In addition, if the Dit is not exogenous and it is also determined by the lnGDPit, then all the p ooled OLS, fixed effect estimator and random effect estimator is not consistent because of en dogenous problem. We then need an instrument of panel VAR to solve it. Or the Dit can be de termined by the lag term of lnGDPit. then it is fine with our model.

# What are the implication of your conclusion of autoco rrelation test for the statistical properties of your preferred estimator?

From the autocorrelation test, we reject the H0 of there is no autocorrelation in the error term. But it's still unbiased and consistent for the explanatory variable Dit is still independent with the error term. But it is not efficient because there is still information left in the error term and the variance of the coefficient is not minimum anymore, changing to dynamic panal model may solve this problem.

```
> POLS_inGrowth = plm(GDPgrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, m
odel = "pooling")> summary(POLS_inGrowth)
Pooling Model
plm(formula = GDPgrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "
pooling")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 50, N = 4300
Residuals:
     Min.
            1st Qu.
                       Median
                                 3rd Qu.
                                              Max.
-71.32422
          -2.02422
                                 2.40833
                                          64.11578
                      0.30578
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t-value
                                          Pr(>|t|)
                        0.11574 12.3057 < 2.2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
             1.42422
             0.66745
                        0.16151 4.1325 3.657e-05 ***
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Total Sum of Squares:
                         120920
Residual Sum of Squares: 120440
                0.0039576
R-Squared:
Adj. R-Squared: 0.0037259
F-statistic: 17.0775 on 1 and 4298 DF, p-value: 3.6568e-05
```

```
> FE_inGrowth = plm(GDPgrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, m
odel = "within")> summary(FE_inGrowth)
Oneway (individual) effect Within Model
plm(formula = GDPqrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "
within")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 50, N = 4300
Residuals:
            1st Qu.
                        Median
                                  3rd Qu.
     Min.
                                               Max.
          -1.89850
                                  2.29066 68.43836
-67.00164
                       0.24409
Coefficients:
  Estimate Std. Error t-value Pr(>|t|)
D 0.34546
              0.24004 1.4392
Total Sum of Squares:
                          111200
Residual Sum of Squares: 111140
R-Squared: 0.00049139
Adj. R-Squared: -0.019912
F-statistic: 2.07124 on 1 and 4213 DF, p-value: 0.15017
> RE_inGrowth = plm(GDPgrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, m
odel = "random")> summary(RE_inGrowth)
Oneway (individual) effect Random Effect Model
   (Swamy-Arora's transformation)
call:
plm(formula = GDPqrowth ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "
random")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 50, N = 4300
Effects:
                  var std.dev share
                        5.136 0.941
idiosyncratic 26.381
individual
                        1.291 0.059
               1.667
theta: 0.5096
Residuals:
     Min.
            1st Qu.
                        Median
                                  3rd Qu.
                                               Max.
-69.15798 -1.88010
                                  2.37279 66.28202
                       0.31068
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z-value Pr(>|z|) 1.51909 0.19234 7.8979 2.836e-15 ***
(Intercept)
                                             0.0207 *
              0.48269
                         0.20864
                                  2.3135
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Total Sum of Squares: 113530 Residual Sum of Squares: 113390

R-Squared: 0.0012437 Adj. R-Squared: 0.0010113

Chisq: 5.35216 on 1 DF, p-value: 0.020697

> pFtest(FE\_inGrowth, POLS\_inGrowth)

F test for individual effects

data: GDPgrowth ~ D

F = 4.1468, df1 = 85, df2 = 4213, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: significant effects

> phtest(FE\_inGrowth,RE\_inGrowth)

Hausman Test

data: GDPgrowth ~ D

chisq =  $1.\overline{3}368$ , df = 1, p-value = 0.2476

alternative hypothesis: one model is inconsistent

> pbgtest(RE\_inGrowth, order = 1)

Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models

data: GDPgrowth ~ D

chisq =  $26\overline{1.18}$ , df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16

alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er

rors

### What is the dynamic impact of a change in $D_{i,t}$ on $\Delta$ ln y<sub>i,t</sub> and lny<sub>i,t</sub>?

This is still a static model with no lag terms so the response of  $\triangle$  lnyit to the shock of Dit is st ill long run and permanent, it is the coefficient of Dit which is 0.66745 by pooled OLS estima tor, 0.34546 by fixed effect estimator and 0.48269 on random effect. And these three estimati ons still need to be tested to choose.

The response of lnyit to Dit now is the cumultaive impulse response of  $\triangle$  lnyit, so now the est imation result of this specification indicates that the response of the lnyit is also permanent an d it is upper trend because the impact of Dit on GDP growth rate now is permanent. This is no t really possible so we may need to extend the static model to dynamic model to capture more dynamic behavior.

## What are the statistical properties of each of the estim ators?

As theory is mentioned above, **For consistency**, with N goes to infinity we need Dit to be strict exogenous both fixed effect estimator and random effect estimator and one more condition for random effect estimator is Dit need to be uncorrelated. When T goes to infinity, the fixed effect and random effect is pretty much same, both of this two just need to be weakly exogenous. pooled OLS ignore the individual effect so just need Dit to be weakly exogenous and uncorrelated with error term. **For efficiency**, fixed effect estimator and pooled OLS is still inefficient and random effect estimator is efficient.

By statistical test, it is still in line with theory. From the F-test we reject the H0 of there is no i ndividual effect. From the Hausman test, the p-value is 0.2476 and we can not reject the H0 of there is no significant difference between this two estimations under 95% significance level or even 90% significance level. So pooled OLS estimator is consistent but not efficient, (clearly it's not that different with the fixed effect and random effect unlike the first model in level) fixed effect estimator is consistent but not efficient, and random effect estimator is consistent and efficient. so we are going to choose random effect estimations.

By economic view, the reason might be there is no very big changing of GDP growth rate wit hin one country over time. But the variations between different countries are relevant big. So t here might be more information on between dimension rather than within dimension.

In addition, like above, it still need to be considered if the Dit is endogenous.

# What are the implication of your conclusion of autoco rrelation test for the statistical properties of your pref erred estimator?

From the autocorrelation test, we still reject the H0 of there is no autocorrelation in the error t erm. And also it is still unbiased and consistent, but it is inefficient for there is information stil left in the error term and its variance is not minimum now. We need to change our specificat ion might to dynamic model.

```
> POLS__inlevel_lag <- plm(lnGDP ~ D+lag1+lag2+lag3+lag4, data
= panel_dataFrame, model = "pooling") > summary(POLS__inlevel
_lag)
```

```
call:
plm(formula = lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4, data = pa
nel_dataFrame,
    model = "pooling")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 43-44, N = 3783
Residuals:
     Min.
            1st Qu.
                        Median
                                  3rd Qu.
                                                Max.
-542.5601
            -4.5566
                        2.8309
                                   8.4306
                                            399.4034
Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t-value
                                             Pr(>|t|)
                                    9.3792 < 2.2e-16
(Intercept) 26.653660
                         2.841798
                         1.332774
                                                      ***
            12.529858
                                    9.4013 < 2.2e-16
D
                         0.069454 23.1633 < 2.2e-16 ***
lag1
             1.608782
                                             1.33e-10 ***
0.2221
             -0.727217
                         0.112891 -6.4418
lag2
             0.135656
lag3
                         0.111079
                                    1.2213
                         0.068757 -0.9116
                                               0.3620
            -0.062679
lag4
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                          103530000
Residual Sum of Squares: 4663800
                 0.95495
R-Squared:
Adj. R-Squared: 0.95489
F-statistic: 16013 on 5 and 3777 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> FE_inlevel_lag <- plm(lnGDP ~ D+lag1+lag2+lag3+lag4, data =</pre>
panel_dataFrame, model = "within")> summary(FE_inlevel_lag)
Oneway (individual) effect Within Model
plm(formula = lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4, data = pa
nel_dataFrame,
    model = "within")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 43-44, N = 3783
Residuals:
                        Median
     Min.
            1st Qu.
                                  3rd Qu.
                                                Max.
                                  11.4553
-248.1745
            -8.6546
                        1.7160
                                           128.8817
Coefficients:
      Estimate Std. Error t-value 0.438922 1.206476 8.6524
                            -value Pr(>|t|)
8.6524 < 2.2e-16
     10.438922
                  0.050345 18.3184 < 2.2e-16
     0.922245
lag1
lag2 -0.471716
                  0.077406 -6.0941 1.214e-09
     0.042053
                  0.076057
                            0.5529
                                       0.5804
lag3
lag4 -0.060180
                  0.048802 -1.2331
                                       0.2176
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Total Sum of Squares:
                           3819600
Residual Sum of Squares: 2130700
                 0.44218
R-Squared:
Adj. R-Squared: 0.42858
```

```
> RE_inlevel_lag <- plm(lnGDP ~ D+lag1+lag2+lag3+lag4, data =</pre>
panel_dataFrame, model = "random")> summary(RE_inlevel_lag)
Oneway (individual) effect Random Effect Model
   (Swamy-Arora's transformation)
call:
plm(formula = lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4, data = pa
nel_dataFrame,
    model = "random")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 43-44, N = 3783
Effects:
                  var std.dev share
idiosyncratic 577.111
                       24.023 0.995
individual
                2.671
                        1.634 0.005
theta:
   Min. 1st Qu.
                 Median
                           Mean 3rd Qu.
                                            Max.
0.08674 0.08850 0.08850 0.08848 0.08850 0.08850
Residuals:
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
   Min. 1st Qu.
                 Median
                                            Max.
-537.43
        -4.90
                   2.88
                            0.00
                                    8.82
                                          394.84
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z-value
                                           Pr(>|z|)
                        3.053057 \ 10.9301 < 2.2e-16
                                                    ***
(Intercept) 33.370159
                                  9.7337 < 2.2e-16 ***
                        1.374072
D
            13.374865
             1.590397
                        0.069436 22.9045 < 2.2e-16 ***
lag1
            -0.719355
                        0.112230 -6.4096 1.459e-10 ***
lag2
             0.132355
                        0.110420 1.1987
                                             0.2307
lag3
            -0.058292
                        0.068694 -0.8486
                                             0.3961
lag4
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                          86676000
Residual Sum of Squares: 4606700
R-Squared:
                0.94685
Adj. R-Squared: 0.94678
Chisq: 67277.4 on 5 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> pFtest(FE_inlevel_lag, POLS__inlevel_lag)
                 F test for individual effects
       lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4
F_{=} 51.639, df1 = 85, df2 = 3692, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: significant effects
```

Hausman Test

> phtest(FE\_inlevel\_lag, RE\_inlevel\_lag)

F-statistic: 585.314 on 5 and 3692 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16

```
> FE_inlevel_lag_adjust <- plm(lnGDP ~ D+lag1+lag2, data = pan
el_dataFrame, model = "within")> summary(FE_inlevel_lag_adjust)
Oneway (individual) effect Within Model
plm(formula = lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2, data = panel_dataFrame,
    model = "within")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 47-48, N = 4127
Residuals:
            1st Qu.
-8.2967
                        Median
     Min.
                                  3rd Qu.
                                                Max.
-282.4355
                                  11.6292 162.9124
                        2.1184
Coefficients:
      10.590942
                  0.048088 19.7205 < 2.2e-16 ***
lag1 0.948318
lag2 -0.451443
                 0.047620 -9.4801 < 2.2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                          4910200
Residual Sum of Squares: 2428800
R-Squared:
                 0.50537
Adj. R-Squared: 0.49459
F-statistic: 1375.22 on 3 and 4038 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> pbgtest(FE_inlevel_lag_adjust, order = 1)
  Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
data: lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2
chisq = 883.53, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
rors
> pbgtest(FE_inlevel_lag, order = 1)
  Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
       lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4
chisq = 936.9, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
rors
```

data: lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2 + lag3 + lag4 chisq = 4389.5, df = 5, p-value < 2.2e-16

alternative hypothesis: one model is inconsistent

```
> TFE_inlevel_lag_adjust <- plm(lnGDP ~ D+lag1+lag2, data = pa
nel_dataFrame, model = "within", effect= "twoways")> summary(T
FE_inlevel_lag_adjust)
Twoways effects Within Model
call:
plm(formula = lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2, data = panel_dataFrame,
     effect = "twoways", model = "within")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 47-48, N = 4127
Residuals:
                 1st Qu. -7.405776
                                                 3rd Qu.
        Min.
                                   Median
                                                                   Max.
                                                7.750292
                                                            196.750535
-182.404110
                                -0.077214
Coefficients:
       Estimate Std. Error t-value Pr(>|t|)
                    1.079523 -3.384 0.0007212 ***
0.040995 22.219 < 2.2e-16 ***
0.040844 -11.840 < 2.2e-16 ***
      -3.653130
lag1 0.910859
lag2 -0.483570
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                               3094100
Residual Sum of Squares: 1618900
R-Squared:
                   0.47676
Adj. R-Squared: 0.45906
F-statistic: 1212.17 on 3 and 3991 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> pFtest(TFE_inlevel_lag_adjust, FE_inlevel_lag_adjust)
                      F test for twoways effects
data: lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2
F = 42.477, df1 = 47, df2 = 3991, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: significant effects
> pbgtest(TFE_inlevel_lag_adjust, order = 1)
   Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
       lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2
chisq = 1363.7, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
rors
```

> CCEP<- pcce(lnGDP  $\sim$  D+lag1+lag2, data = panel\_dataFrame, mod el = "p")> summary(CCEP)

```
pcce(formula = lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2, data = panel_dataFrame,
    model = "p")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 47-48, N = 4127
Residuals:
                                    Median
         Min.
                    1st Qu.
                                                  3rd Qu.
                                                                    Ма
-62.83554146 -3.02347397
                                0.06535095
                                               3.27259385
                                                            60.386926
Coefficients:
       Estimate Std. Error z-value
                                        Pr(>|z|)
                   1.009302
                                         0.49027
       0.696297
                              0.6899
                              7.6582 1.885e-14 ***
                   0.094967
lag1
      0.727282
                   0.085811 -3.4861
lag2 -0.299151
                                         0.00049 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
Total Sum of Squares: 111410000
Residual Sum of Squares: 169500
HPY R-squared: 0.96224
> pbgtest(CCEP, order = 1)
   Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
data: lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2
chisq = 3227.4, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
> CCEMG<- pcce(lnGDP \sim D+lag1+lag2, data = panel_dataFrame, mo del = "mg")> summary(CCEMG)Common Correlated Effects Mean Grou
ps model
call:
pcce(formula = lnGDP ~ D + lag1 + lag2, data = panel_dataFrame,
    model = "mq")
Unbalanced Panel: n = 86, T = 47-48, N = 4127
Residuals:
                                    Median
                    1st Qu.
                                                  3rd Qu.
         Min.
                                                                    Ма
-60.47077338 -2.51719699
                                0.09631358
                                               2.79365840
                                                            54.526641
Coefficients:
       Estimate Std. Error z-value Pr(>|z|) 0.057980 0.774774 0.0748 0.9403
                                         0.9403
                   0.033152 18.8262
                                         <2e-16 ***
lag1 0.624131
                   0.025709 -9.0854
lag2 -0.233573
                                         <2e-16 ***
```

Common Correlated Effects Pooled model

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Total Sum of Squares: 111410000 Residual Sum of Squares: 132200

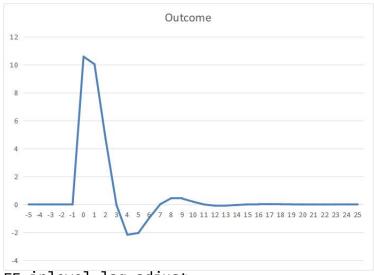
HPY R-squared: 0.96835

> pbgtest(CCEMG, order = 1)

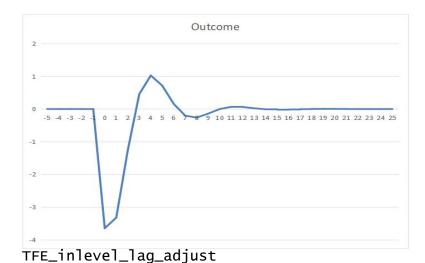
Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models

data:  $lnGDP \sim D + lag1 + lag2$  chisq = 3227.4, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er

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FE\_inlevel\_lag\_adjust



What is your choice of p?

From the economic intuition, I firstly choose to set the p=4, because most of countries' presidentil term is 4 years. So there may be a economic cycle due to this the president may impose policies with a 4-year goal. And with F-test and Hausman test, I choose fixed effect to estimate my model. However, From the estimation result, we can see that the lag3 and lag4 is not sign ificant. So I change my specificiation to the order of p=2. And all the coefficients now are significant.

Then I do the autocorrelation test, it shows that there is still autocorrelation in the error term on p=2, which means that the model may not adequate. then I do the autocorrelation test of p=4, but it is still strongly reject the H0 of no autocorrelation in error term. So adding more lag t erm may not the way to solve autocorrelation problem and may bring overfitting problem.

So I try to adjust the specification by considering time effect. By Twoway fixed effect model, all the coefficient is significant and the F-test show that the we reject the H0 of no significant time effect. So the Twoway fixed effect is better. But as for autocorrelation test it's still reject the H0 of there is no autocorrelation when p=2 and even in p=4. And same when I change it to common correlated effects model and when I add slope heterogeneity. So we may need anot her approach like GMM to estimate this model.

#### What is the dynamic impact of Dit on InGDPit?

From the impulse response function above, we can know that when considering time effect, the response of lnGDPit to one transitory shock of Dit firstly be negative and then the negative i mpact gradually decrease, about 3 years after, the impact become positive and increasing till 4 years after, then it start to decrease and become negative a bit again at 7 years after the shock, then back to positive and finally gradually goes to 0.

And if we just use fixed effect do not consider the time effect, it is opposite with the twoway f ixed effect, the impact firstly be positive and then start to decrease, at 3 years after the shock, the impact become negative and back to postive at 7 years and finally gradually goes to 0.

### What are the statistical properties of each of the estim ators?

While for Dit, it is still same with the static model, **For consistency**, weakly exogenous for the pooled OLS estimator both for N and T goes to infinity and uncorrelated with the error term. fixed effect estimator and random effect estimator need both strictly exogenous when N goes to infinity and weakly exogenous when T goes to infinity. And also, random effect need Dit is not correlated with the individual effect. That is for Dit. and **now we also have the lag term of lnyit, so we also need lnyit-1 and lnyit-2 is not correlated with the error term. For efficiency,** still only random effect estimator is efficient because it use information from both with hin dimension and between dimension. **For unbiasedness**, the model is biased because the explanatory is not completely uncorrelated with error term.

It is supported by the statistical test, from the F-test, we reject H0 of there is no individual eff ect, and the pooled OLS is inconsistent. from the Huasman test, we reject the H0 of there is

no significant difference between fixed effect estimations and random effect estimations. So the Dit is correlated with the individual effect. The random effect is not consistent. And we choose fixed effect. from economic view, the country as individuals is one of a kind, not arbitrary random draws.

Also, like mentioned above, if the Dit is endogenous and determined by the lnyit, the model w ill not be consistent. And if the Dit is determined just by the lag term of lnyit, there might be multicolinearity in model but since all the coefficient is significant, and the model is still cons istent, so it is still valid.

In addition, we further add the time effect and do the F-test and we reject H0 of there is no ti me effect. So we choose twoway fixed effect finally.

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> POLS_GDPgrowth_lag <- plm(GDPgrowth ~ D+lag_1+lag_2, data =
panel_dataFrame, model = "pooling")> summary(POLS_GDPgrowth_la
Pooling Model
plm(formula = GDPgrowth \sim D + lag_1 + lag_2, data = panel_data
Frame,
    model = "pooling")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 46, N = 3956
Residuals:
     Min.
             1st Qu.
                          Median
                                    3rd Qu.
                                                   Max.
           -1.92882
-70.72353
                         0.31762
                                    2.25130
                                              66.88238
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t-value
                                              Pr(>|t|)
                                     8.5687 < 2.2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 1.060179
                          0.123727
                                     3.3332 0.0008666 ***
             0.552004
                          0.165610
                          0.015754 10.4460 < 2.2e-16 ***
lag_1
             0.164564
             0.032148
                          0.015457
                                     2.0799 0.0375968 *
lag_2
Signif. codes:
                  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                            110450
Residual Sum of Squares:
                            106710
R-Squared:
                  0.033879
Adj. R-Squared: 0.033146
F-statistic: 46.1954 on 3 and 3952 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> FE_GDPgrowth_lag <- plm(GDPgrowth ~ D+lag_1+lag_2, data = pa
nel_dataFrame, model = "within")> summary(FE_GDPgrowth_lag)
Oneway (individual) effect Within Model
plm(formula = GDPgrowth \sim D + lag_1 + lag_2, data = panel_data
Frame,
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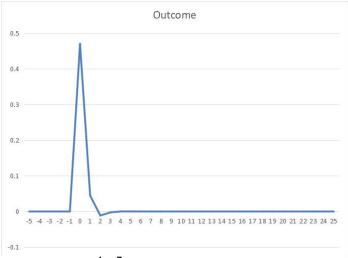
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model = "within")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 46, N = 3956
Residuals:
                                   3rd Qu.
                        Median
     Min.
             1st Qu.
-66.86243
            -1.79309
                                   2.15417
                                            67.93701
                        0.29183
Coefficients:
       Estimate Std. Error t-value
                                       Pr(>|t|)
                   0.247211
       0.470333
                              1.9026
                                      0.05717
                              5.9066 3.793e-09 ***
lag_1
      0.094269
                   0.015960
lag_2 -0.032831
                   0.015635 -2.0998
                                        0.03581 *
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                           100490
Residual Sum of Squares: 99437
R-Squared:
                 0.010502
Adj. R-Squared: -0.012016
F-statistic: 13.6805 on 3 and 3867 DF, p-value: 7.1032e-09
> RE_GDPgrowth_lag <- plm(GDPgrowth \sim D+lag_1+lag_2, data = pa nel_dataFrame, model = "random")> summary(RE_GDPgrowth_lag)
Oneway (individual) effect Random Effect Model
   (Swamy-Arora's transformation)
call:
plm(formula = GDPgrowth \sim D + lag_1 + lag_2, data = panel_data
Frame,
    model = "random")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 46, N = 3956
Effects:
                  var std.dev share
idiosyncratic 25.714
                         5.071
                                   1
individual
                0.000
                         0.000
                                   0
theta: 0
Residuals:
     Min.
             1st Qu.
                        Median
                                   3rd Qu.
                                                Max.
           -1.92882
                                   2.25130 66.88238
-70.72353
                       0.31762
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z-value
                                            Pr(>|z|)
                         0.123727
                                   8.5687 < 2.2e-16 ***
            1.060179
(Intercept)
                                   3.3332 0.0008587 ***
                         0.165610
             0.552004
D
                         0.015754 10.4460 < 2.2e-16 ***
             0.164564
lag_1
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             0.032148
                         0.015457
                                   2.0799 0.0375325
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                           110450
Residual Sum of Squares:
                           106710
                 0.033879
R-Squared:
Adj. R-Squared: 0.033146
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Chisq: 138.586 on 3 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16 > pFtest(FE\_GDPgrowth\_lag, POLS\_GDPgrowth\_lag) F test for individual effects data: GDPgrowth  $\sim$  D + lag\_1 + lag\_2 F = 3.3282, df1 = 85, df2 = 3867, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: significant effects > phtest(FE\_GDPgrowth\_lag, RE\_GDPgrowth\_lag) Hausman Test GDPgrowth  $\sim D + lag_1 + lag_2$ chisq = 391.95, df = 3, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: one model is inconsistent > pbgtest(FE\_GDPgrowth\_lag) Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models GDPgrowth  $\sim D + lag_1 + lag_2$ chisq = 372.98, df = 46, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er rors > FE\_GDPgrowth\_lag\_adjust <- plm(GDPgrowth ~ D+lag\_1+lag\_2+lag \_3+lag\_4, data = panel\_dataFrame, model = "within")> summary(F E\_GDPgrowth\_lag\_adjust) Oneway (individual) effect Within Model call:  $plm(formula = GDPgrowth \sim D + lag_1 + lag_2 + lag_3 + lag_4,$ data = panel\_dataFrame, model = "within") Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 42, N = 3612Residuals: Median 3rd Qu. Min. 1st Qu. Max. 2.18673 66.90491 -66.47239 -1.787330.28224 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t-value 0.549837 0.256032 2.1475 Pr(>|t|)0.031819 \* 0.549837 lag\_1 0.095684 0.016348 5.8529 5.272e-09 \*\*\* lag\_2 -0.039753 0.016258 -2.4451 0.014530 \* lag\_3 -0.042268 0.016022 -2.6381 0.008373 \*\* lag\_4 -0.035776 0.015805 -2.2636 0.023658 \* Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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Residual Sum of Squares: 87166
R-Squared:
                  0.016715
Adj. R-Squared: -0.0084187
F-statistic: 11.9708 on 5 and 3521 DF, p-value: 1.6354e-11
> pbgtest(FE_GDPgrowth_lag_adjust)
   Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
data: GDPgrowth \sim D + lag_1 + lag_2 + lag_3 + lag_4
chisq = 335.21, df = 42, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
> TFE_GDPgrowth_lag_adjust <- plm(GDPgrowth ~ D+lag1+lag2, dat
a = panel_dataFrame, model = "within", effect= "twoways")> sum
mary(TFE_GDPgrowth_lag_adjust)
Twoways effects Within Model
call:
plm(formula = GDPgrowth ~ D + lag1 + lag2, data = panel_dataFr
    effect = "twoways", model = "within")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 47, N = 4042
Residuals:
                          Median
                                     3rd Ou.
     Min.
             1st Qu.
                                                   Max.
            -1.83081
                                     2.09663 63.12833
-64.45748
                         0.21081
Coefficients:
       Estimate Std. Error t-value
                                        Pr(>|t|)
                                         0.04662 *
                   0.264344 1.9904
       0.526150
                   0.010011 2.4633
                                         0.01381 *
lag1 0.024659
lag2 -0.054865
                   0.009978 -5.4985 4.074e-08 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Total Sum of Squares:
                             95414
Residual Sum of Squares: 92130
R-Squared:
                  0.034416
Adj. R-Squared: 0.001299
F-statistic: 46.4187 on 3 and 3907 DF, p-value: < 2.22e-16
> pbgtest(TFE_GDPgrowth_lag_adjust)
   Breusch-Godfrey/Wooldridge test for serial correlation in panel models
data: GDPgrowth \sim D + lag1 + lag2 chisq = 291.69, df = 47, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: serial correlation in idiosyncratic er
rors
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88647

Total Sum of Squares:



FE\_GDPgrowth\_lag

#### What is your choice of p?

As for the GDP in level, the choice of p=2, so for GDP growth I also set my specification start ing from p=2 and the pooled OLS, fixed effect and random effect all shows that the lag1 is sig nificant, and the lag 2 term is only significant at 0.01 significant level. So I think p=2 may alre ady adequate.

Then I do the autocorrelation test, it reject the H0 of no autocorrelation in the error term. So I extend the model to p=4 and test for autocorrelation again. the Dit become less significant and there is still autocorrelation problem.

So I believe like GDP in level, there may be the issue that cannot eliminate the autocorrelation by just extending the lag which will also bring overfitting problem. Then I try to adjust my specification to a more proper model by adding time effect. I use the twoway fixed effect to estimate and test for autocorrelation again, and it still reject H0 of no autocorrelation, so we may need other more valid approach.

## What is the dynamic impact of Dit on $\triangle$ InGDPit and InGDPit?

From the impulse response function above, the dynamic response of  $\Delta$  lnGDPit to the one uni t transitory shock of Dit will be first positive and then after two years the influence become ne ar 0. it is negative very little and then goes back to positive also very little and then converge t o 0.

And the response of the lnGDPit is the cumulative response of the  $\triangle$  lnGDPit to the impact of the Dit now. and from the impulse response function above, it show that the cumulative response of  $\triangle$  lnGDPit is large than 0. put differently, even the unit shock of Dit is transitory, it still have a permanent impact on lnGDPit.

This is in line with our expectation because by this model, it impose that the lnyit have a unit root. So it will not converge to 0.

### What are the statistical properties of each of the estim ators?

In theory, always same story, **For consistency**, pooled OLS need Dit weakly exogenous for b oth N goes to infinity and T goes to infinity and uncorrelated with the error term. The lag term need to be contemporaneously uncorrelated with the error term. fixed effect estimator and ran dom effect estimator both need to be weakly exogenous when T goes to infinity and strictly e xogenous when N goes to infinity and random effect estimator also need Dit uncorrelated with the individual effect, the lag term contemporaneously uncorrelated. **For efficiency**, only the random effect estimator is efficient. **For unbiasedness**, this is dynamic model so it is all bias ed.

By statistical test, it's in line of the theory, from the F-test we reject the H0 of no individual ef fect, from the Hausman test we reject the H0 of there is no significant difference between fixe d effect estimator and random effect estimator. so we know the pooled OLS is not consistent a nd randome effect is not consistent. We choose fixed effect estimator. From the economic vie w, the country as individuals is one of a kind, not arbitrary random draws.

### **Further questions:**

Compute the dynamic impact of democratization on b oth economic growth and the level of GDP over a 30 y ears horizon after the shock towards a democracy.

See the impulse response function above.

### Which of the above model do you prefer(and why)?

I would choose the model of lnyit's dynamic model on Dit (model(3)). static model can not be the case because GDP can always be influenced by the lag term and indeed it is significant in the dynamic model. static model will miss many dynamic behavior.

And if I use GDP in first difference, I impose the lnGDPit have a unit root without test if it is stationary or not. And even let say it is I(1), it still might be misspecification if there is cointegration relationship between lnGDPit and Dit, which can not be reparameterizat ion to error correction model, so it miss the error correction term. Also,  $\Delta$  lnGDPit will be I(0), and Dit is I(1), in general this cannot be estimated, the error term will be I(1).

However, as a matter of fact, the  $\triangle$  lnGDPit is non-stationary by construction (true reason mi ght be structural break), **but we can never know**, the unit root test now is not reliable for it can not identify the structural break.

And also the dynamic impact of transitory shock on Dit will be permanent on lnGDPit in leve l which would not really happening in the real world.

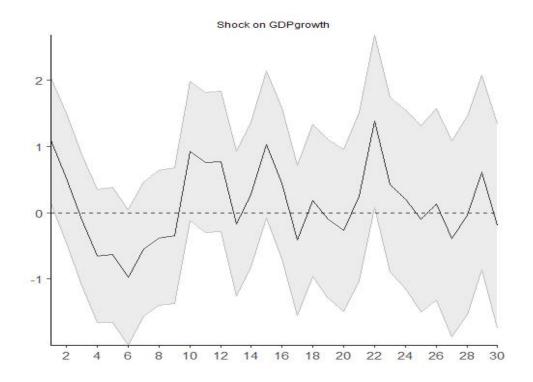
By using lnGDP in level, the real DGP will nested in my specification, I will get consistent es timates. and in panel model, my model will be consistent even if the variable is non-statio nary and no cointegration by adding common correlated fator to absorb the cross-sectional dependence.

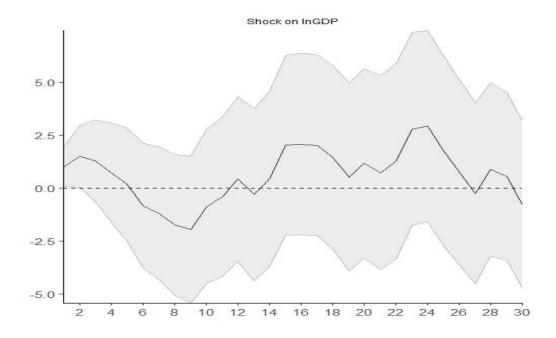
In addition, I choose fixed effect estimator both this two dynamic model which will use only i nformation from within dimension. And the lnGDP in first difference may reduce lots of within information for there may not be much variation in GDP growth within one country.

# Suppose we replace Dit by $\Delta$ Dit in eqs. (1)-(4). How d oes this change the dynamic impact of democratization? Does this make sense?

The model become to in first differences in (2) and (4) and it only valid when there is no coint egration between lnGDPit and Dit. And it only reflect the short run dynamics.

Also the meaning of the coefficient will change, as the Dit is a dummy variable, its in differences capture more changes in democratic status rather than the democratic status. So this will be the dynamic impact of the democratic changes to the lnyit or  $\Delta$  lnyit instead of how the democratic status impact the lnyit or  $\Delta$  lnyit. If we use Dit, it is more capturing the impact of being democracy on lnyit or  $\Delta$  lnyit, it is typically considered long run and persistent. And if we use  $\Delta$  Dit, it explained how the change from democratic status to non democracy or other way round impact economic and it is usually short run and temporary.





## What are the statistical properties of the FE estimator ?

For consistency, when N goes to infinity, the Dit need to be strictly exogenous and when T g oes to infinity, the Dit need to be weakly exogenous, and also the lag term of  $\triangle$  lnyit need to b e contemporaneously uncorrelated with the error term. Also, this is the GDP growth with Di

t in first difference, so this is all stationary and local projection even if we miss the error term, it also can be consistent.

**And for efficiency**, Fixed effect estimator is not efficient because it only use information from within dimension. And this is **biased** because in dynamic model explanatory variable is not completely independent from error term.

### What is the dynamic impact of democratization on G DP?

From the impulse response function of lnGDP above, we know that it is the cumulated impuls e response of the GDP growth, and it's firstly positive to the five years after the change to the democratization, and then it become negative till near 12 years after, with a small fluctuation, starting from 14 years it become positive again, then, it basically keep positive to the 30 years after.

# Would you rather use Dit (instead of $\Delta$ Dit) in equation (5)?

No, because the local projection is more robust in first difference form, even if there is cointer gration relationship between lnyit and Dit. It is consistent and I can do standard inference.

But if I switch to Dit, then I can not do standard inference and the bias will lead it to inc onsistent. The performance of local projection will deteriorates with the h increases for t here might be spurious-regression-like problem in error term if the Dit have a unit root.

## Consider the following alternative models, which mod el do you prefer and why?

I prefer the model 2, because from the left hand side, it is cumulative lnyit in first difference(i. e. cumulative GDP growth rate). and on the right hand side, they are Dit in difference and lag term of Dit in first difference and lnyit in first difference. All the variables are stationary. So compared to model 1 and 3 in level. model 2 is consistent even if there is cointegration relationship. What is more, model 2 also contain the lag term of Dit in first difference, and the lnyit may also be impacted with that. so it can capture more comprehensive dynamic impact compared to model 4. only problem is there by doing so there might be some multicolinearity in the model, but it need to be test with that and if all the parameters are significant, then it can be ignored.

```
> purtest(panel_dataFrame$lnGDP, exo= "trend",test = "levinlin")
      Levin-Lin-Chu Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts and Trend)
data: panel_dataFramenote{ta} panel_dataF
alternative hypothesis: stationarity
> purtest(panel_dataFrame$lnGDP, exo= "trend", test = "ips",in
dex = c ("CountryID","TimeID"))
   Im-Pesaran-Shin Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts and Trend)
data: panel_dataFrame$InGDP
wtbar = 0.66795, p-value = 0.7479
alternative hypothesis: stationarity
> purtest(panel_dataFrame$lnGDP,pmax = 4, exo = "trend", test
= "madwu")
         Maddala-Wu Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts and Trend)
data: panel_dataFrame$lnGDP
chisq = 161.48, df = 172, p-value = 0.7065
alternative hypothesis: stationarity
> purtest(panel_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"],exo = "intercept", te
st = "levinlin")
                   Levin-Lin-Chu Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts)
data: panel_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"]
z = -42.532, p-value < 2.2e-16
altannative humanitaria</pre>
alternative hypothesis: stationarity
> purtest(panel_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"], test = "ips", exo =
"intercept")
                Im-Pesaran-Shin Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts)
data: panel_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"]
Wtbar = -43.857, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: stationarity
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> purtest(panel\_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"],pmax = 4, exo = "inte rcept", test = "madwu")

Maddala-Wu Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: Individual Intercepts)

data: panel\_dataFrame[, "GDPgrowth"]
chisq = 2648.4, df = 172, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: stationarity</pre>

#### . xtunitroot llc d, demean lags(bic 1)

#### Levin-Lin-Chu unit-root test for d

Ho: Panels contain unit roots Number of panels = 86 Ha: Panels are stationary Number of periods = 51

AR parameter: Common Asymptotics: N/T -> 0

Panel means: Included

Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed

ADF regressions: 0.02 lags average (chosen by BIC)

Bartlett kernel, 11.00 lags average (chosen by LLC)

	Statistic	p-value	
Unadjusted t	-1.8265		
Adjusted t*	6.6896	1.0000	

#### . xtunitroot ips d, demean lags(bic 1)

Im-Pesaran-Shin unit-root test for d

Ho: All panels contain unit roots Number of panels = 86 Ha: Some panels are stationary Number of periods =

AR parameter: Panel-specific Asymptotics: T,N -> Infinity Panel means: Included **sequentially** Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed

ADF regressions: 0.02 lags average (chosen by BIC)

	Statistic	p-value	
W-t-bar	6.0960	1.0000	

#### . xtunitroot fisher d, dfuller demean lags(1)

Fisher-type unit-root test for **d**Based on augmented Dickey-Fuller tests

Ho: All panels contain unit roots Number of panels = **86**Ha: At least one panel is stationary Number of periods = **51** 

AR parameter: Panel-specific Asymptotics: T -> Infinity

Panel means: Included

Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed

Drift term: Not included ADF regressions: 1 lag

		Statistic	p-value	
Inverse chi-squared(172)	Р	150.3921	0.8813	
Inverse normal	Z	5.0010	1.0000	
Inverse logit t(434)	L*	4.8840	1.0000	
Modified inv. chi-squared	Pm	-1.1650	0.8780	

P statistic requires number of panels to be finite.

Other statistics are suitable for finite or infinite number of panels.

#### . xtunitroot llc diff\_d , demean lags(bic 1)

Levin-Lin-Chu unit-root test for diff\_d

Ho: Panels contain unit roots Number of panels = 86
Ha: Panels are stationary Number of periods = 50

AR parameter: Common Asymptotics: N/T -> 0

Panel means: Included

Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed

ADF regressions: 0.05 lags average (chosen by BIC)

LR variance: Bartlett kernel, 11.00 lags average (chosen by LLC)

	Statistic	p-value	
Unadjusted t	-62.1569		
Adjusted t*	-57.4304	0.0000	

#### . xtunitroot ips diff\_d , demean lags(bic 1)

Im-Pesaran-Shin unit-root test for diff\_d

Ho: All panels contain unit roots Number of panels = 86 Ha: Some panels are stationary Number of periods = 50

Asymptotics: T,N -> Infinity AR parameter: Panel-specific Panel means: Included sequentially Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed

ADF regressions: 0.05 lags average (chosen by BIC)

	Statistic	p-value	
W-t-bar	-54.6772	0.0000	

#### . xtunitroot fisher diff\_d , dfuller demean lags(1)

Fisher-type unit-root test for diff\_d Based on augmented Dickey-Fuller tests

Ho: All panels contain unit roots Number of panels = 86 Ha: At least one panel is stationary Number of periods =

AR parameter: Panel-specific Asymptotics: T -> Infinity

Panel means: Included Time trend: Not included Cross-sectional means removed Drift term: Not included ADF regressions: 1 lag

	Statistic	p-value	
Р	1915.0303	0.0000	
Z	-37.9527	0.0000	
L*	-56.8834	0.0000	
Pm	93.9779	0.0000	
	P Z L*	P 1915.0303 Z -37.9527 L* -56.8834	P 1915.0303 0.0000 Z -37.9527 0.0000 L* -56.8834 0.0000

P statistic requires number of panels to be finite. Other statistics are suitable for finite or infinite number of panels.

#### > pcdtest(lnGDP)

Pesaran CD test for cross-sectional dependence in panels

data: lnGDP

z = 187.73, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: cross-sectional dependence</pre>

#### > pcdtest(GDPgrowth)

data: GDPgrowth

z = 41.304, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: cross-sectional dependence

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> CCEP_forcointegration<- pcce(lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFra
me, model = "p")> summary(CCEP_forcointegration)
Common Correlated Effects Pooled model
call:
pcce(formula = lnGDP ~ D, data = panel_dataFrame, model = "p")
Balanced Panel: n = 86, T = 51, N = 4386
Residuals:
                       1st Qu.
                                         Median
                                                          3rd Qu.
                                                                               Max.
-94.8164036 -4.6671682
                                     0.0574923
                                                      4.7848192 57.3585377
Coefficients:
Estimate Std. Error z-value Pr(>|z|)
D 1.9877 38.3573 0.0518 0.9587
Total Sum of Squares: 117260000
Residual Sum of Squares: 411960
HPY R-squared: 0.9271
> paneldata_residuals_cce <- pdata.frame(residuals_df_cce, ind
ex = c ("individual_id","time_id"))</pre>
> purtest(paneldata_residuals_cce$residuals, test = "madwu")
                    Maddala-Wu Unit-Root Test (ex. var.: None)
data: paneldata_residuals_cce$residuals
chisq = 725.72, df = 172, p-value < 2.2e-16 alternative hypothesis: stationarity
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What do the results of your cross-sectional dependenc e test imply for the properties of the considered panel unit root tests?

From the cross-sectional dependence test, it reject the H0 of there is no cross-sectional dependence. And this will lead all the first generation unit root test(LLC test, IPS test and Maddla Wu test have a nontrivial size distortion. There will always be type I error for the significance level has been distorted.

# What do the results of your unit root tests imply for t he properties of the estimates of equations (1)-(5)?

From the unit root test, I reject that all the  $\triangle$  Di and  $\triangle$  lnGDPi contain at least one unit root a nd I accept that all the lnGDPi and Di contain at least one unit root. Put differently, lnGDPit i s I(1) and Dit is also I(1), Also there is cross-sectional dependence in lnGDPit and  $\triangle$  lnGDPit.

For model (1), it may be spurious regression like in time series if there is no cointegration be tween lnGDPit and Dit bring the unbiased but inconsistent result. However,we can add comm on correlated factor to absorb the cross-sectional dependence, then we will get consistent result.

For model (2), because  $\triangle$  lnGDPit is 'stationary' by test (in fact they may not hold because t here might be strucutral break) and Dit is non-stationary so the error term will also be non-stationary. The model would be inconsistent it may also be the spurious regression.

For model (3), it is consistent if there is cointegration relationship, if there is no cointegration, I can also add common correlated fator can absorb the cross-sectional dependence which will give me consistent result. Or I can add the lag term of Dit then my model will be consistent be cause the real DGP will be nested in my model so in general my model will be right.

For model (4), it is not consistent because  $\triangle$  lnGDPit is I(0) and Dit is I(1), and this will brin g I(1) in error term. Also same problem like model (2), we can not identify the structural brea k by unit root test.

For model (5), it is consistent, because all the variable is stationary and local projection is rob ust to misspecification if there is cointegration relationships.