BuDA: A Bottom-Up Default Analysis Platform for Macrofinancial Analysis Methodology and Surveillance Applications

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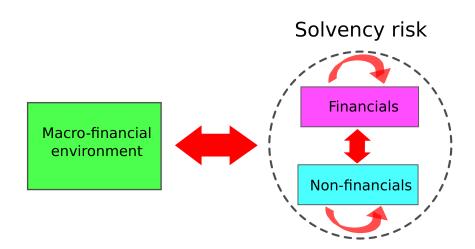


Macrofinancial Linkages

- Macrofinancial linkages matter for
 - Financial sector surveillance
 - Macroprudential policy design
- Modeling macrofinancial linkages is hard . . .
- ...due to numerous feedback loops
 - Macrofinancial environment and firms
 - Financial firms
 - Non-financial firms
 - Financial and non-financial firms

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Modeling macrofinancial linkages is difficult

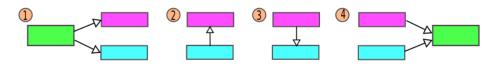


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A Sequential Approach to MacroFinancial Linkages

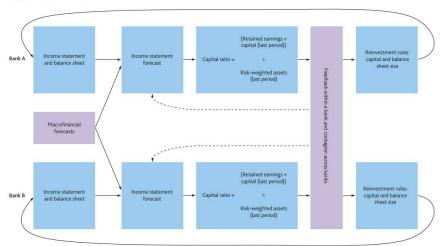
Break the problem in steps



- Examples
 - Bank of England RAMSI model (Burrows et al, 2012)
 - Bank of Canada MFRAF model (Anand et al, 2014)

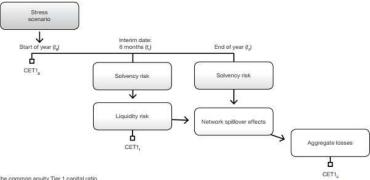
Bank of England RAMSI model

Figure 1 Stylised overview of RAMSI



Bank of Canada MFRAF model

Figure 1: MFRAF: A modular approach to systemic risk



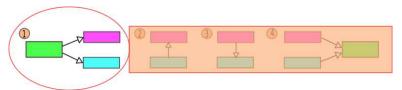
Note: CET1 is the common equity Tier 1 capital ratio.

Source: Bank of Canada

BuDA, first step in sequential approach

The Bottom-Up Default Analysis BuDA Framework

Maps macrofinancial scenarios to firms' solvency risk

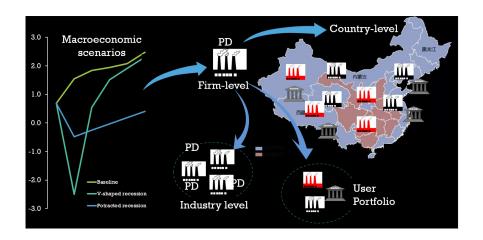


- Mapping based on a bottom-up approach
- Focus on default risk, i.e. probabilities of default

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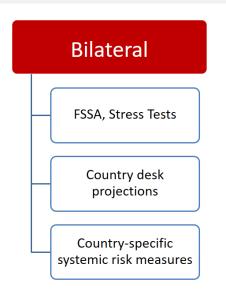
BuDA uses a Bottom-Up Approach

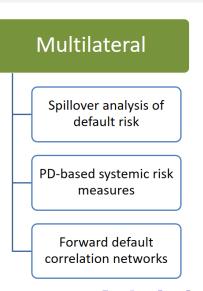


Advantages of the Bottom-Up Approach

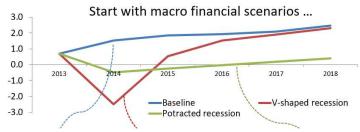
- Single out systemic firms in the analysis
- Analyze specific business sectors
- Focus on large debtors of banking sector
- Identify most vulnerable firms
- Specify arbitrary group of firms (portfolio)
- Suitable for surveillance work

Surveillance Applications of the Bottom-Up Approach

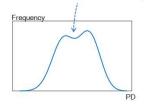


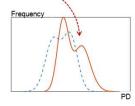


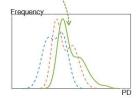
BuDA generates default risk distributions



... and estimate ex-post distribution of PDs of individual firms



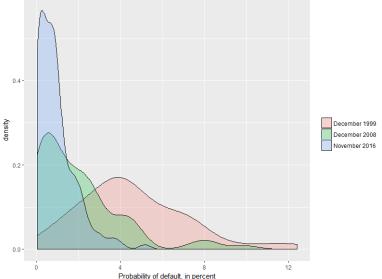




Why risk distributions matter

- Distribution more informative than aggregate risk measures
- Basis for modeling aggregate fluctuations
 - Granular origins of aggregate fluctuations (Gabaix, 2011)
 - Network origins of aggregate fluctuations (Acemoglu et al, 2012)
- Useful for constructing early warning and/or cyclical indicators

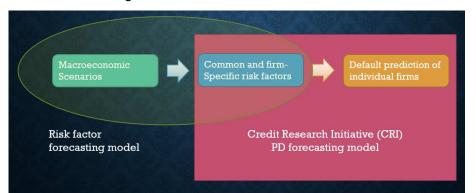
Distribution of default risk, Chinese financial firms





BuDA "Two" Regression Approach

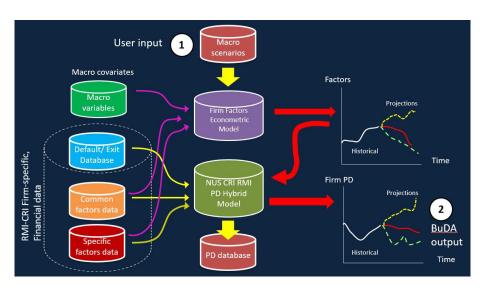
- Regression model for risk factor prediction, conditional on scenario variables
- PD forecasting model, conditional on risk factors



Risk Factors for Forecasting PDs

Nature	Description	Level/Trend 1,2/
Economy-wide	Return of domestic stock market index	Current
	Short-term domestic interest rate	Current
Firm-specific	Financial statements-based factors	
	Liquidity (cash + short-term investments/total assets)	Trend and level
	Profitability (Net income/total assets)	Trend and level
	Market-based factors	
	Distance-to-default (volatility adjusted leverage)	Trend and Level
	Size (market capitalization relative to median market capitalization)	Trend and Level
	Market misvaluation (market cap + total liabilities/ total assets)	Current
	Idiosyncratic volatility	Current

^{2/} The trend is computed as the difference between the current value of the factor and its 12-month average





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An Illustrative Example

Scenario Variables

- Real GDP growth
- Inflation rate
- Policy rate
- NEER
- Money market rate
- 10-year government bond yield

Scenarios

Two-year scenarios

- Baseline
 - 6.0 percent GDP growth
- Adverse
 - 4.5 percent GDP growth
- Severe
 - 2.8 percent GDP growth

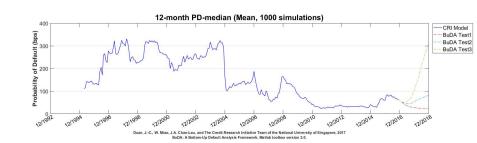
Results

135 financial firms



Results

2075 non-financial firms



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PD Modeling Preliminaries

- Default events
- Main approaches for modeling PDs
- Forward intensity models
- Distance-to-Default nuances
- Risk factors useful for forecasting PDs

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PD Modeling in BuDA

- The Duan-Sun-Wang Model: Why other exits matter
- The CRI default database
- Estimation of the DSW model: practical considerations
- DSW model accuracy
- Differences between CRI PDs and Moody's EDFs
- PD availability via CRI or Thomson-Reuters

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Risk Factor Forecasting

- Forecasting risk factors with macrofinancial variables
 - Mixed frequency modeling
 - Linear model
- Performance of macro-forecasting equations
- Variable contribution to PD forecast

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Current Applications

Article IV Consultation

- Canada
- Chile
- Indonesia
- United Arab Emirates

Multilateral Surveillance

WHD Regional Economic Outlook



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Using BuDA in your country work

- Introduces Matlab implementation of the BuDA platform
- Case study: Stress Test of European Banks

